

State of Forest-based Industries

The forest-based industries in the State of New York represented 7 percent of the manufacturing sector's annual payroll and represents 9 percent of the manufacturing sector's employment.

	Annual Payroll (Thousand Dollars)	Employment
Forest-based Industry*	\$1,798,730	44,989
Total Manufacturing	\$24,089,722	526,336

Source: Census Bureau 2006

* Forest-Based Industries consists of all industries that use wood as a part of the finished product.

Project Spotlight

During the last 4 years of the Wood Education and Resource Center's activities, the Center provided \$319,040 that was matched with \$381,330 from partners for five projects. A brief summary of a project follows:

Project Title:

Forest Enterprise Resource Project

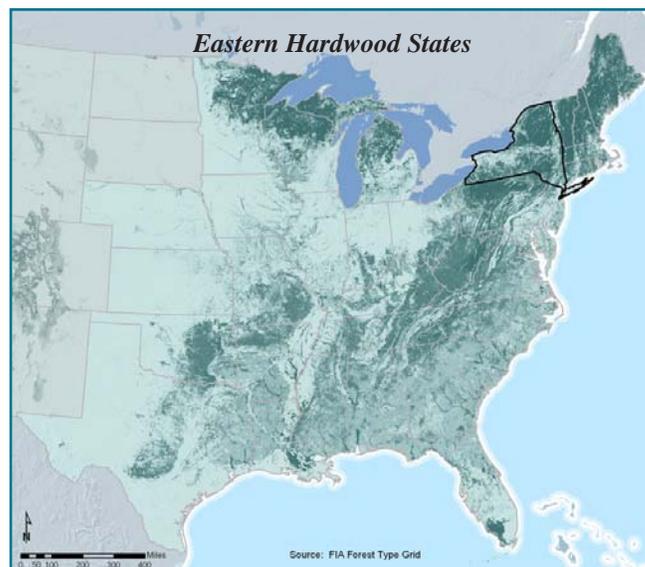


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The Wood Education and Resource Center (WERC) is administered by the Northeastern Area State and Private Forestry of the Forest Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture. WERC's mission is to facilitate

networking and information exchange with the forest products industry, in order to enhance opportunities that sustain forest products production. WERC's programs support managerial and technical innovation that keep businesses competitive, and provide state-of-the-art training, technology transfer, and applied research. The center consists of offices, training facilities, and a rough mill in Princeton, WV, and serves the 35 States in the eastern hardwood region of the United States.

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The project will develop six stand-alone reference publications. Among the publications developed will be references on tree and biomass volumes; hardwood and roundwood scaling; and valuation and forest products. Two software programs will be created for forest products and measurements conversion and biomass estimation. The reference materials and software programs will assist forest products industries in minimizing transaction costs associated with operational and investment decisions.

Detailed information about these projects can be found at the WERC website location: <http://www.na.fs.fed.us/werc/projects.shtm>.



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