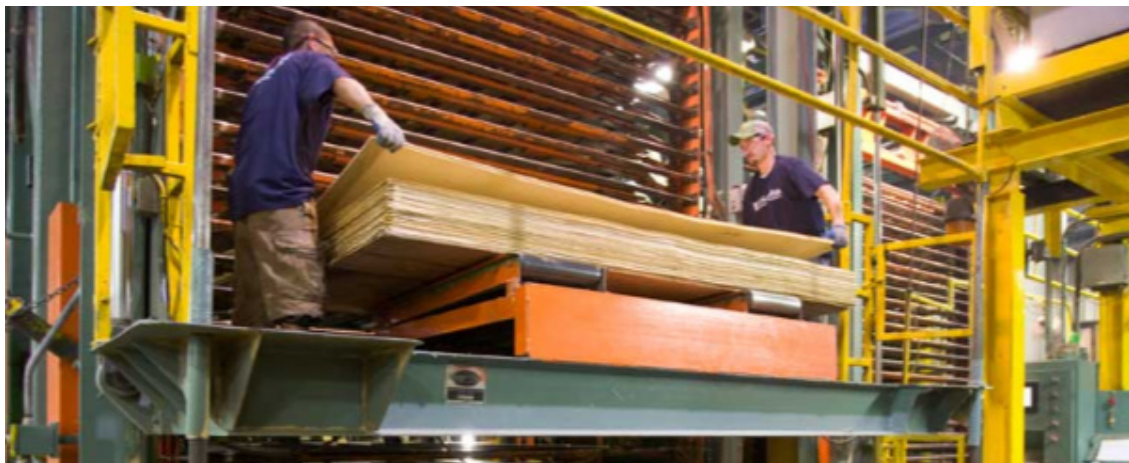




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New Study Quantifies The Hardwood Industry's Contribution To The U.S. Economy

A new study shows that the U.S. hardwood forest products industry employs over 1.8 million people and contributes \$348 billion to the U.S. economy. The study provides detailed economic impact data - including jobs created - by hardwood plywood and veneer mills, sawmills, flooring companies, kitchen cabinet manufacturers, and more.

The hardwood plywood sector is the largest manufacturer in Oregon, South Carolina, and Louisiana and ranks in the top five manufacturers in Georgia, Indiana, Mississippi, North



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Carolina, Arkansas, and Montana. "We are an economic driver in small towns and rural America," said Kip Howlett, president of the Decorative Hardwoods Association®.

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