Country overview: Brazil

Forests in indigenous lands cover 102.8 Mha and federal community forests cover 124.5 Mha.

Brazil ratified the Indigenous and Tribal Peoples Convention ILO 169* in 2002

Population: 202 M.
Land area (ha): 851 M.
Forest land (ha): 493 M.
Forest % of land area: 57.93%
Forest product exports in USD: 10.1 Bn.
Forests in protected areas (ha): 150.7 M.
Certified forest lands (ha): 8.6 M.
Value of timber forest products (USD): 36 Bn.
Value of non-timber forest products (USD): 983 M.
Forest products as a share of exports: 4.41%
Population working in the forest industry: 668,000
Agency in charge of forest policy implementation:
Brazilian Forest Service

How recent are your forest regulations? Have there been any major organizational changes in the last year?
- Law 11.284 (public forest management law) from 2006
- Forest Law from 2012

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Country overview: Cameroon

Population: **21.7 M.**
Land area (ha): **47.56 M.**
Forest cover (ha): **22 M.**
Forest % of land area: **46%**
Forest product exports (USD): **834 M. (2011)**
Forests in protected areas (ha): **9,124 M.**
Certified forest lands (ha): **3.75 M.**
Value of timber forest products (USD): **1.32 Bn.**
Value of non-timber forest products (USD): **286 M.**
Forest products as a share of exports: **16.7%**
Population working in the forest industry: **150,000**

1,004,000 people in Cameroon identified as Indigenous
Have the tenure arrangements changed in the last 5 years? Can you provide a summary of those changes?:

With regard to forest tenure, there is no real change on forest tenure arrangements. However, some forest reserves were transferred to municipalities in connection with the transfer of authority under the law on decentralization.

Agency in charge of forest policy implementation:

Ministry of Forestry and Wildlife

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13 What Future for Reform, RR 2014, Table 1
Country overview: Canada

Population: 35.5 M.¹
Land area (ha): 909 M.²
Forest cover (ha): 347.6 M.³
Forest % of land area: 34%⁴
Forest product exports (USD): 27.9 Bn. (2014)⁵
Forests in protected areas (ha): 31 M.⁶
Certified forest lands (ha): 161 M.⁷
Value of timber forest products (USD): 9.1 Bn.⁸
Value of non-timber forest products (USD): 434.2 M.⁹
Forest products as a share of exports: 6.3% (2014)¹⁰
Population working in the forest industry: 216,500¹¹

1,400,685 people in Canada in 2011 identified as Aboriginal¹²
First Nations 851,560
Métis 451,795
Inuit 59,445

4 out of 10 live in forested areas¹³
Ownership of forests

Government 92%
Aboriginal (forest) 2%
Private 6%

Have the tenure arrangements changed in the last 5 years? Can you provide a summary of those changes?

Over the last five years, many Canadian provinces have introduced specific mechanisms in their legislation to increase the participation of local communities, including Aboriginal communities, in forest management. For example, in 2011, the province of Ontario passed the Ontario Forest Tenure Modernization Act, a legislative/policy framework with the intent of transitioning forest tenure in Ontario towards new governance models (“business entities”) to manage new Local Forest Management Corporations (LFMCs) and enhanced Sustainable Forest Licences (eSFLs). It is anticipated that local communities (including Aboriginal people) could leverage an increased role in these tenure arrangements for economic development opportunities.

How recent are your forest regulations? Have there been any major organizational changes in the last year?

Canada has 13 jurisdictions each with its own set of regulations governing such activities as forest harvest, planning and management. Regulatory review, and in some cases reform, is ongoing as jurisdictions respond to public expectations to balance social, economic and environmental outcomes from the forest.

Agency in charge of the management of forest:

In Canada, 94% of forests are on public lands, with the vast majority being owned and managed by provincial and territorial governments. The federal government, by way of Natural Resources Canada's Canadian Forest Service, serves as a key partner, helping to address matters of national importance including industrial innovation, science and technology, international markets, regulatory development, reporting, federal lands and Aboriginal affairs. The Canadian Council of Forest Ministers (CCFM) provides a critical forum for the federal, provincial and territorial governments responsible for Canada's forests to come together to discuss issues relevant across jurisdictions. The CCFM has a proud history of driving key advancements in sustainable forest management. Today, the Council is focused on a number of priority areas, including innovation, forest-based Aboriginal economic development, environmental reputation, forest pests, wildfire management and climate change.


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5. World Trade Atlas
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10. World Trade Atlas
Country overview: China, PR

- Population: 1,361 Bn.¹
- Land area (ha): 960 M.²
- Forest cover (ha): 208 M.³
- Forest % of land area: 21.63%³
- Forest product exports (USD): 64.46 Bn. (2013)⁴
- Forests in protected areas (ha): 99,670⁵
- Certified forest lands (ha): 470 M. (2013)
- Value of timber forest products (USD): 307.9 Bn.⁶
- Value of non-timber forest products (USD): 236.7 Bn.⁷
- Forest products as a share of exports: 2.92% (2013)⁸
- Population working in the forest industry: 1.56 M.⁹

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Agency in charge of forest policy implementation:
State Forest Administration

Government 39.99%
Designated for IPs and Local Communities 0%
Owned by IPs and Local Communities 60.01%
Private 0%

How recent are your forest regulations? Have there been any major organizational changes in the last year?
In 2014, efforts were made to amend the Forest Law, the Wildlife Conservation Law, and the Seed Law.
No organizational changes have occurred.

Sources:
1 China Statistical Yearbook 2014
2 Findings of the 8th National Forest Inventory of China
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7 China Forestry Development Report 2014
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Country overview: Democratic Republic of the Congo

Population: 65.71 M.¹
Land area (ha): 226 M.²
Forest cover (ha): 154 M.³
Forest % of land area: 68%⁴
Forest product exports (USD): 138 M.⁵
Forests in protected areas (ha): 16.30 M.⁶
Certified forest lands (ha): N.D.
Value of timber forest products (USD): N.D.
Value of non-timber forest products (USD): N.D.
Forest products as a share of exports: 2.01%⁷
Population working in the forest industry: N.D.

100,000 to 200,000 people in the DRC identify as Indigenous*
Agency in charge of forest policy implementation:
The Ministry of Environment and Sustainable Development

Are your forest regulations recent?
Were there any major organizational changes over
the past 12 months?

The most significant change in the last 12 months has been the
implementation of the Decree on Local Communities Forests,
paving the way for the assignment of forests to Indigenous
People and Local Communities.

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Between 30 and 70 millions people in Indonesia in 2011 have been identified as Indigenous²

Country overview: Indonesia
Ownership of forests

Government 96.1%
Designated for IPs and Local Communities 1%
Owned by IPs and Local Communities 0%
Private 2.9%

Changes in tenure arrangements in the last 5 years:
1) The Parliament of the Republic of Indonesia proposed a concept of an Act concerning Forest Land Tenure;
2) A joint task including 3 ministries and 1 agency (namely, the Environment and Forestry Ministry, the National Land Agency, the Public Works Ministry, and the Home Affairs Ministry) has been created to work on tenure arrangement;
3) Tenure arrangements are accommodated in the Mid Term of National Development Plan 2015-2019 by allocating Government lands (forest and other lands) upon 9 Mha for tenurial asset (land rights), and 12.7 Mha of forest lands for community access by giving licenses for community development (HKm), Village forest (HD), Forest Community Plantation (HTR), and Farm Forestry Partnership (FFP).

Recent forest regulations and organizational changes:
-Major organizations of forest farmer groups communities have been established in each district to promote engagement in the social forestry development programme.
-The Ministry of Forestry has merged with the Ministry of Environment and became the Ministry of Environment and Forestry in 2014. One Directorat General of Social Forestry and Environmental collaboration programmes.

Agency in charge of the management of forest:
1) The Ministry of Environment and Forestry is in charge of the forest management policy at the national level, as well as forest conservation;
2) Forestry service offices at the provincial and district levels are in charge of controlling protection and production forests;
3) The Forest State Company in Java (PERHUTANI UNIT I, II, III) is in charge of managing production forests on Java island; 4) The Forest State Company out of Java (INHUTANI, II, III, IV, V) is in charge of managing production forests out of Java islands;
5) Private forest companies are in charge of managing concessionaire forest areas; and 6) Forest farmer groups are in charge of managing community forests.

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2) Geospatial Information Agency (2013)
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4) Idem
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6) Recalculation of land cover Indonesia in 2013, MoF
7) MoEF (not publish yet)
8) Forestry statistics of Indonesia 2013.
9) Forestry statistics of Indonesia 2015.
Country overview: Mexico

Population: 112.3 M.1
Land area (ha): 194 M.2
Forest cover (ha): 64 M.3
Forest % of land area: 33%4
Forest product exports (USD): 288 M.5
Forests in protected areas (ha): 8.49 M.6
Certified forest lands (ha): 1.16 M.7

Value of timber forest products (USD): 632 M.8
Value of non-timber forest products (USD): 30 M.9
Forest products as a share of exports: 0.09%10
Population working in the forest industry: N.D.

11,130,000 people in Mexico in 2011 identified as Indigenous11

Ratified the Indigenous and Tribal Peoples Convention ILO 169* in 199012
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Government 4.4%

Designated for IPs and Local Communities 0%

Owned by IPs and Local Communities 69.8%

Private 25.8%

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**How recent are your forest regulations? Have there been any major organizational changes in the last year?**

- General Law on Sustainable Forest Development (2003)
- Regulation of the General Law on Sustainable Forest Development of 2005
- Degree of the General Law on Climate Change and the National Climate Change Strategy
- CONAFOR and its agencies have new legal mandates such as the VREVS system and REDD+

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Country overview: Peru

Population: 30.38 M.
Land area (ha): 128 M.
Forest cover (ha): 67.8 M.
Forest % of land area: 53%
Forest product exports (USD): 163 M.
Forests in protected areas (ha): 18.8 M.
Certified forest lands (ha): 67.8 M.
Value of timber forest products (USD): 159 M.
Value of non-timber forest products (USD): 138 M.
Forest products as a share of exports: 0.34%
Population working in the forest industry: 23,064

13,080,000 people in Peru in 2011 identified as Indigenous
Peru ratified the Indigenous and Tribal Peoples Convention ILO 169 in 1994
**Statutory Forest Tenure**

**Government**
71.2%

**Designated for IPs and Local Communities**
4.8%

**Owned by IPs and Local Communities**
21.3%

**Agency in charge of forest policy implementation:** National Forest and Wildlife Service (SERFOR)

**How recent are your forest regulations? Have there been any major organizational changes in the last year?**

Currently enacted regulations (April, 2001)
New Forestry and Wildlife Law (June, 2011)
National Forest and Wildlife Policy (September, 2013)
New Regulation, National Forestry and Wildlife Law (April, 2015)

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4. Idem
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Country overview: United States

Population: **313.9 M.**
Land area (ha): **916 M.**
Forest cover (ha): **304 M.**

Forest % of land area: **33%**
Forest in protected areas (ha): **30 M.**
Certified forest lands (ha): **34.2 M.**
Value of timber forest products (USD): **22.59 Bn.**
Value of non-timber forest products (USD): **1.32 Bn.**
Forest products as a share of exports: **0.57%**
Population working in the forest industry: **169,000 (2005)**

**4,900,000** people in the United States in **2012** identified as **Native Americans**

Expected population by 2050: 438 millions and majority non-white
Agency in charge of forest policy implementation: US Forest Service

How recent are your forest regulations? Have there been any major organizational changes in the last year?

Federal, state, and local forest regulations vary by agency; private forest landowners are subject to state regulations that vary by state. For the national forests and grasslands (20 percent of U.S. forests), each unit adopts a 10-year land and resource management plan in accordance with a national planning rule. A new planning rule, adopted in 2012, is being implemented as units gradually revise their land and resource management plans.

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