



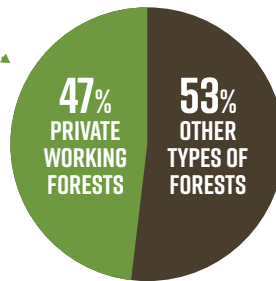
National Alliance of Forest Owners

NAFO is the voice of U.S. private working forest owners – a trade association committed to advancing policies that keep privately owned working forests delivering clean air and water, wildlife habitat, and jobs through sustainable practices and strong markets.

FORESTS COVER 1/3 OF AMERICA



■ = 765 MILLION TOTAL FORESTED ACRES



OF THOSE 765 MILLION ACRES OF FORESTS,
47% ARE PRIVATE WORKING FORESTS

Who Owns America's Working Forests?

Approximately 360 million acres – or 47% – of forests in the U.S. are private working forests. These forests are managed to produce wood, paper, and other products and services. Private forest owners include families, tribes, small and large businesses, and an increasing number of Americans who invest in working forests for retirement.

The U.S. Forestry Industry is a Global Leader

- We are the world's largest producer of wood.
- We are at the forefront of silviculture innovation.
- We uphold the highest sustainable forest management standards in the world.

THE FOREST PRODUCTS SUPPLY CHAIN

NAFO is at the beginning of the supply chain:

We PLANT, GROW, and HARVEST TREES



IF NAFO'S FORESTS WERE ALL IN
ONE PLACE, THEY WOULD BE ABOUT TWICE
THE SIZE OF PORTUGAL.

400 MILLION



NAFO MEMBERS PLANT 400 MILLION
SEEDLINGS EACH YEAR.



MODERN U.S. FORESTRY PROVIDES MASSIVE ECONOMIC & ENVIRONMENTAL BENEFITS

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Huge Economic Impact

U.S. timber is both a natural resource and a commodity essential to the modern economy.



Private working forests support **3.9 million jobs**, **\$284 billion payroll**, and **\$629 billion in sales and manufacturing**.



In many rural communities, working forests **are** the economy.

Huge Environmental Benefits

Sustainable forest management delivers environmental benefits as a natural outcome of standard business practices.



Wildfire

Modern forestry is a proven tool for mitigating the risk of severe wildfires and helping forests to recover after fires. NAFO has **multiple cooperative agreements** with the Forest Service to prevent and fight wildfires.



Wildlife

NAFO has pioneered the **Wildlife Conservation Initiative**; a voluntary, collaborative conservation effort that enables working lands to continue working while delivering positive outcomes for at-risk, threatened, and endangered wildlife across the country.



Water

Almost ½ of all America's **drinking water** comes from forests.

BOTTOM LINE

No other sector of the economy so directly supports rural communities and their prosperity while delivering such significant environmental benefits.

