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Forests growing and silviculture, 2012 - Republic of Serbia -

Methodological notes

The report on forests growing and silviculture, including both state and private forests, is issued annually and is based on the data provided by the reporting units of the public enterprise "Srbijasume" and "Vojvodina sume", as well as public enterprises of national parks. Apart from this enterprise, data are also obtained from the working organizations dealing with forestry, regardless of the fact whether it is their main activity or not. This communication presents the data on the performed works referring to artificial afforestation, to tending and land reclamation of high forests, offspring forests and other categories of forests, as well as the data related to plantation growing and intensive planting.

Data on artificial afforestation relate to forests' areas (old and recent felling grounds, bare ground) and to areas outside forests (rocky soils, bare grounds, quick sand, eroded and agricultural land). Data on tending and land reclamation of high, offspring and other categories of forests present the works performed in the mentioned forests during a single calendar year. Such works refer to tending of new growth, cleaning, thinning, forests enrichment (conifers and broadleaved), preparation and ground tending, conversion, reconstruction, substitution, resurrection and repair planting. Cleaning presents the measure of removing all the trees that should not remain in the forest, due to any reason, excluding the trees that request further process of thinning. Thinning presents the most important measure for forests tending and its aim is to ensure the development of the best guality trees, in biological and technical sense. Forests enrichment means introducing of conifers and high - quality broadleaved into existing forests, in order to enrich them, i.e. to increase their economic value. Preparation and ground tending refer to works on draining, irrigation, preparation for natural afforestation of stands and similar. Conversion presents converting coppices into high forests, meaning forests transformation from lower to upper growing type. Reconstruction is a reclamation measure: the specified area is cleaned by pure feeling, followed by afforestation of such area. Substitution is a reclamation measure, which also means that specified area is cleaned by pure feeling, but in this case, the process is followed by afforestation, using the same species of trees as the cut ones. Resurrection is a measure by which scrubs are converted into coppices, being cut into stumps. Repair planting refers to filling of some small - sized empty areas, primarily in degraded forests and scrubs, by the trees species that prevail over that stand.

Data on plantation growing and intensive planting refer to forests with selected plants, which tending period is not long and which have intensive increase. Data on safety areas are also included, and such areas are plantations whose main function is protective (protection from wind, floods and drought). Included are only the areas where the selected planting seeds of quick growth have been used. These data exclude treelike paths beside roads, canals, on the boundaries, as well as small groups of trees on the agricultural land.

1. Artificial afforestation – without plantations and intensive planting¹⁾

										ha			
	Afforestated area												
		In forests Outside forests											
	Total	All	Felling grounds	Clear- ings	all	Rocky soils and bare grounds	Quick sand	Eroded land	Agri- cultural land	Other land			
2011 2012 Index 2011 =100	2821 2135 76	1834 1413 77	1307 1192 91	527 221 42	987 722 73	187 112 60	2	18 24 133	312 265 85	470 319 68			
Republic of Serbia	2135	1413	1192	221	722	112	2	24	265	319			
Region of Belgrade Region of Vojvodina Region of Sumadija and West Serbia Region of South and East Serbia Region of Kosovo and Metohia	58 832 747 498	54 754 368 237	46 698 273 175	8 56 95 62	4 78 379 261	- 68 44	- 2 - -	- - 10 14	- 3 230 32 	4 73 71 171			

¹⁾Included are state and private forests.

2. Plantations and protective areas growing¹⁾

			Republic	of Serbia		
	Total	Region of Belgrade	Region of Vojvodina	Region of Sumadija and West Serbia	Region of South and East Serbia	Region of Kosovo and Metohia
2011	6547	199	6263	33	52	
2012	866	192	593	37	44	
Index 2011 =100	13	96	9	112	85	
Plantations	866	192	593	37	44	
With agricultural species	220	-	190	-	30	
Without agricultural species	646	192	703	37	14	
Protective areas	-	-	-	-	-	
With agricultural species	-	-	-	-	-	
Without agricultural species	-	-	-	-	-	

¹⁾Included are state and private forests.

3. Artificial afforestation indices, 2011–2012

2011=100

	Republic of Serbia											
	Total	Region of Belgrade	Region of Vojvodina	Region of Sumadija and West Serbia	Region of South and East Serbia	Region of Kosovo and Metohia						
2011	2821	38	1333	848	602							
2012	2135 76	58 153	832 62	747 88	498							
Index	70	155	62	00	83							

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4. Silviculture, 2012

	Tending and land reclamation of forests												
			In pr	ivate owr	nership fo	orests			ests				
	Total	All	Region of Belgra- de	Region of Vojvo- dina	Region of Suma- dija and West Serbia	Region of South and East Serbia	Region of Kosovo and Meto- hia	All	Region of Belgra- de	Region of Vojvo- dina	Region of Sumadi ja and West Serbia	Region of South and East Serbia	Region of Kosovo and Meto- hia
High forests tending													
Tending of new growth	5834	53	-	-	48	5		5781	53	5016	381	331	
Cleaning	1243	84	-	-	57	27		1159	68	123	764	204	
Thinning	36805	9055	-	-	6931	2124		27750	197	1131	21879	4543	
Forests enrichment	-	-	-	-	-	-		-	-	-	-	-	
Conifers	-	-	-	-	-	-		-	-	-	-	-	
Broadleaved	-	-	-	-	-	-		-	-	-	-	-	
Preparation and ground													
tending	3510	-	-	-	-	-		3510	5	3312	9	184	
Conversion	110	-	-	-	-	-		110	-	-	-	110	
Substitution	7	-	-	-	-	-		7	-	3	4	-	
Reconstruction	322	19	-	-	19	-		303	-	-	175	128	
Coppices tending													
Tending of new growth	350	-	-	-	-	-		350	-	280	70	-	
Cleaning	163	5	-	-	-	5		158	22	22	99	15	
Thinning	22265	10799	-	-	3987	6812		11466	438	1216	4910	4902	
Forests enrichment	9	-	-	-	-	-		9	-	9	-	-	
Conifers	-	-	-	-	-	-		-	-	-	-	-	
Broadleaved	9	-	-	-	-	-		9	-	9	-	-	
Preparation and ground													
tending	7	-	-	-	-	-		7	-	7	-	-	
Conversion	496	399	-	-	69	330		97	-	80	13	4	
Substitution	4	-	-	-	-	-		4	-	-	-	4	
Reconstruction	101	93	-	-	48	45		8	-	8	-	-	
Land reclamation of other													
categories of forests													
Tending of new growth	66	-	-	-	-	-		66	-	66	-	-	
Cleaning	18	-	-	-	-	-		18	1	17	-	-	
Thinning	6	-	-	-	-	-	• • •	6	-	6	-	-	
Forests enrichment	33	1	-	-	1	-		32	-	32	-	-	
Conifers	1	1	-	-	1	-	• • •	-	-	-	-	-	
Broadleaved	32	-	-	-	-	-		32	-	32	-	-	
Conversion	2	-	-	-	-	-		2	-	-	2	-	
Substitution	7	-	-	-	-	-		7	-	-	4	3	
Reconstruction	59	25	-	-	19	6		34	-	-	32	2	
Planting repair	-	-	-	-	-	-		-	-	-	-	-	

5. Artificial afforestation, by trees species, 2012

ha

	Total	In private ownership forests							In state ownership forests							
		All	Region of Belgra- de	of	Region of Suma- dija and West Serbia	Region of South and East Serbia	Region of Kosovo and Meto- hia	All	Region of Belgra- de	Region of Vojvo- dina	Region of Suma- dija and West Serbia	of	Region of Kosovo and Meto- hia			
Total	2135	594	-	-	363	231		1541	58	832	384	267				
Conifers	869	411	-	-	283	128		458	-	8	331	119				
Spruce	530	330	-	-	240	90		200	-	-	136	64				
Fir	1	-	-	-	-	-		1	-	-	1	-				
Black pine	244	66	-	-	28	38		178	-	4	144	30				
Scots pine	84	13	-	-	13	-		71	-	1	48	22				
Weymouth fir	-	-	-	-	-	-		-	-	-	-	-				
Douglas fir	5	2	-	-	2	-		3	-	-	-	3				
Larch	-	-	-	-	-	-		-	-	-	-	-				
Other conifers	5	-	-	-	-	-		5	-	3	2	-				
Broadleaved	1266	183	-	-	80	103		1083	58	824	53	148				
Beech	16	-	-	-	-	-		16	-	-	13	3				
Oak	353	4	-	-	3	1		349	26	309	3	11				
Acacia	227	122	-	-	59	63		105	-	49	9	47				
Other hardwood	141	5	-	-	5	-		136	28	19	24	65				
Poplar	446	52	-	-	13	39		394	4	364	4	22				
Other softwood	83	-	-	-	-	-		83	-	83	-	-				

Notes:

Starting from 1999 the Statistical Office of the Republic of Serbia has not at disposal and may not provide available certain data relative to AP Kosovo and Metohia and therefore these data are not included in the coverage for the Republic of Serbia (total). Afforestation works volume in 2012 has by 24% decreased, in relation to the previous year. Regarding afforestation, the most wide spread was spruce, among conifers, with the afforestated area of 530 ha and regarding broadleaved, the most present was poplar, with the area of 446 ha. Works referring to plantation and protective areas growing in 2012, compared to 2011 decreased by 5.681 ha.