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WOODED STRIPS AND WINDBREAKS IN KANSAS,
1981

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ABSTRACT.—In 1981 wooded strips and windbreaks in Kansas covered 336,000 acres and were more than 54,000 miles long. Wooded strips contained 300 million board feet of sawtimber and 92 million cubic feet of growing stock.

KEY WORDS: Shelter belts, forest, land use, non-forest with trees, sawtimber, board foot, sampling, area, volume, length.

In the Great Plains much of the forest land is in wooded strips and windbreaks. Wooded strips are areas that would otherwise meet the USDA Forest Service definition of commercial forest land but are less than 120 feet wide. Most wooded strips occur along river and stream banks. Windbreaks are areas of trees less than 120 feet wide that were planted or maintained to protect crops, livestock or buildings. Most windbreaks have been planted since 1934 through the efforts of several Federal and State programs. Windbreaks have no minimum acreage or productivity such as have been established for wooded strips and commercial forest land.

Wooded strips and windbreaks are an important forest resource. They protect soil and field crops from the wind; reduce evaporation of water from streams, rivers and irrigation ditches; and provide habitat for many wildlife species. In the Plains States the volume of timber in these land areas is significant. Chase and

The USDA Forest Service defines commercial forest land as forest land that is capable of producing 20 cubic feet/acre/year of industrial wood and is not withdrawn from timber utilization by statute or administrative regulation. Areas of commercial forest land must be at least 1 acre in size and 120 feet wide.

Strickler (1968) estimated the total area of wooded strips in Kansas to be 214,600 acres, or 20 percent of the commercial forest land area in the State.

In recent years the area of windbreaks has decreased in the Great Plains. A 20 percent decrease in windbreak area between the late 1950's and early 1970's was reported for a 13 county area in Central Kansas (Sorenson and Marotz 1977). A similar trend was shown in a study of 16 counties in Oklahoma, Kansas, and Nebraska (USDA 1975). Although these surveys were not complete and did not cover an extensive area, they did point out a decreasing trend in these areas and warn that this could be a serious problem. Reasons cited for this decline include efforts to get more area into crop production, increased use of centerpivot irrigation systems, deterioration of old windbreaks and changing conservation techniques. Both of these reports stress the need for reliable information on the current status of windbreaks throughout the Great Plains.

The Forest Inventory and Analysis Unit of the North Central Forest Experiment Station conducts periodic inventories of the forest resources for many of the States in the Great Plains. In past inventories a two-phase point sampling technique was used to sample all land classes, including wooded strips and windbreaks. Because of the small area occupied by strips and windbreaks, few samples were taken in them and the resulting sampling errors were high. As part of the 1981 Kansas forest inventory, line intersect sampling was used to sample wooded strips and windbreaks. This method enabled us to estimate area and volume of wooded strips and windbreaks just as in past inventories, but it also enabled us to estimate length of these strips for management applica-

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tions length information is more useful than area information. This paper presents area, volume, and length information obtained in the inventory.

INVENTORY FINDINGS

In 1981 wooded strips and windbreaks in Kansas covered 336,000 acres and had a total length of more than 54,000 miles (tables 1 and 2). Wooded strips contained 300 million board feet of sawtimber (table 3) and 92 million cubic feet of growing stock (table 4) for 10 percent of both the total growing-stock and sawtimber volumes in the State.²

The length estimates presented in this paper reflect the current status of wooded strips and windbreaks as defined by the USDA Forest Service. Figure 1 and tables 5, 6, and 7 show the location of this resource and give breakdowns by forest type, strip width, and number of rows. These breakdowns are based on

²Volume was not measured on windbreaks because they are not considered to be available for timber production.

aerial photographic estimates of forest type, strip width, and number of rows with no adjustment for interpretation errors. Total length estimates and length estimates by Unit or county have an adjustment for photo interpretation errors but further breakdowns by other categories do not. It is difficult to compare estimates from this survey to estimates that have been reported in the past because of differences in definitions and areas covered by these surveys.

The line intercept sampling procedure accurately estimated wooded strip and windbreak length. Standard errors of 8 percent were obtained using this method at both the State and Unit level. The two-phase point sampling procedure estimated area, not length, and had higher standard errors at the Unit level but a slightly lower standard error for the State total.

When area or length of wooded strips and windbreaks are estimated for areas smaller than the entire State, sampling errors increase due to the reduced number of plots because of the nature of the regression estimator plots used. Estimates of total area and length of wooded strips and windbreaks in the three

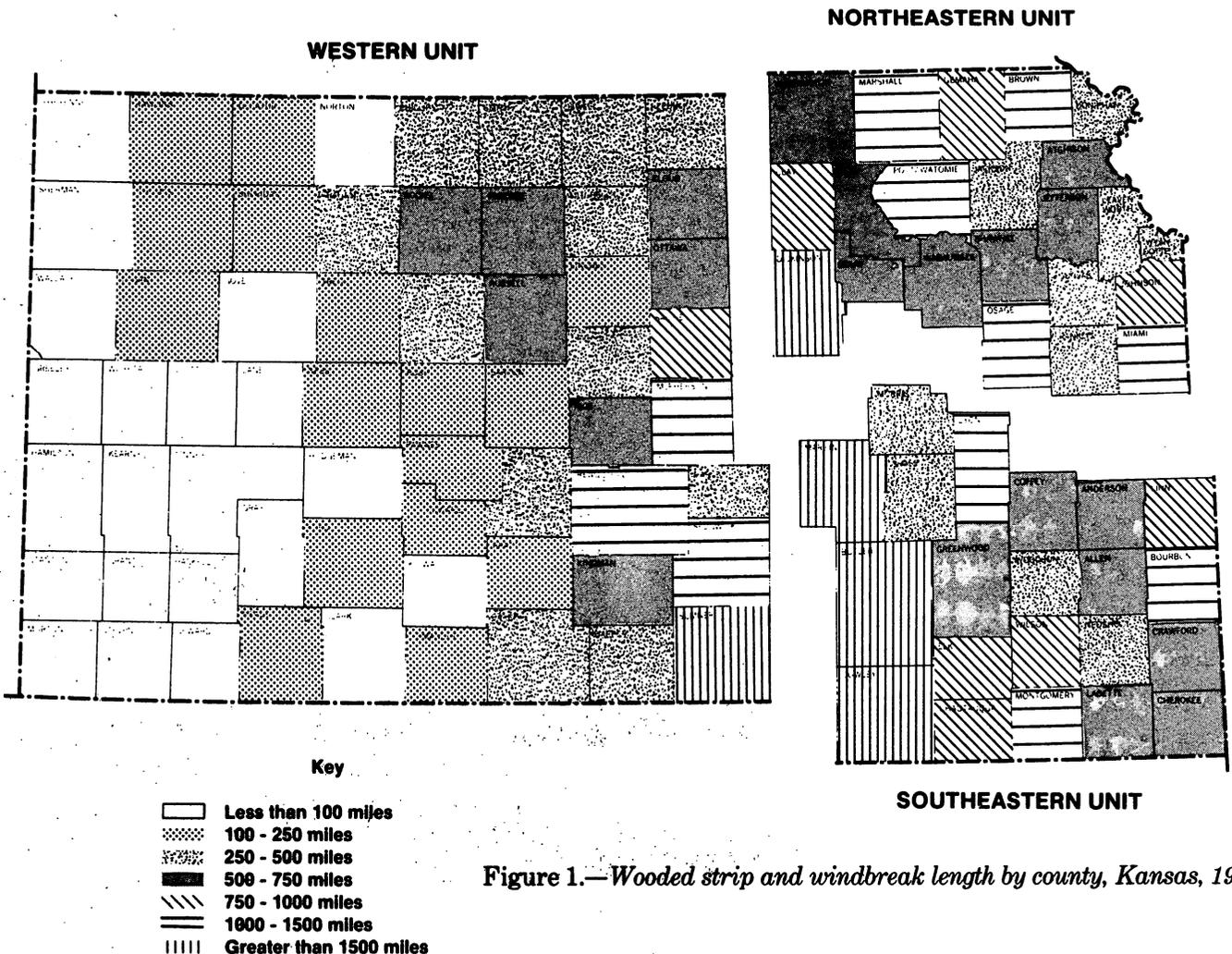


Figure 1.—Wooded strip and windbreak length by county, Kansas, 1981.

Table 1.--Estimated area and length of wooded strips and windbreaks by Unit, Kansas 1981

| | State | Unit | | |
|--|---------|-----------|-----------|---------|
| | Total | Northeast | Southeast | West |
| Area of wooded strips and windbreaks (acres) | 336,263 | 105,629 | 117,157 | 113,477 |
| Standard error (acres) | 21,500 | 10,600 | 11,400 | 16,400 |
| Length of wooded strips and windbreaks (miles) | 54,075 | 17,235 | 18,026 | 18,814 |
| Standard error (miles) | 4,215 | 1,356 | 1,435 | 1,496 |

Table 2.--Estimated area and length of wooded strips and windbreaks by county, Kansas, 1981

| NORTHEASTERN UNIT | | | | | | SOUTHEASTERN UNIT | | | | | | | |
|-------------------|---------------|-------------|---------|---------------|-------------|-------------------|--------------|---------------|-------------|---------|---------------|-------------|--------|
| County | Area | | | Length | | | County | Area | | | Length | | |
| | Wooded strips | Wind-breaks | Total | Wooded strips | Wind-breaks | Total | | Wooded strips | Wind-breaks | Total | Wooded strips | Wind-breaks | Total |
| | -Acres- | | | -Miles- | | | | -Acres- | | | -Miles- | | |
| Atchison | 1,782 | 1,547 | 3,329 | 250 | 427 | 677 | Allen | 2,248 | 2,481 | 4,729 | 567 | -- | 567 |
| Brown | 1,270 | 2,380 | 3,650 | 542 | 681 | 1,223 | Anderson | 2,058 | 2,048 | 4,106 | 530 | 5 | 535 |
| Clay | 936 | 279 | 1,215 | 293 | 615 | 908 | Bourbon | 1,973 | 11,351 | 13,324 | 331 | 776 | 1,107 |
| Dickinson | 1,153 | 1,630 | 2,783 | 436 | 1,286 | 1,722 | Butler | 6,503 | 4,728 | 11,231 | 413 | 1,606 | 2,019 |
| Doniphan | 1,944 | 589 | 2,533 | 281 | 136 | 417 | Chase | 2,113 | 1,412 | 3,525 | 368 | -- | 368 |
| Douglas | 2,459 | 3,069 | 5,528 | 109 | 372 | 481 | Chautauqua | 3,006 | 3,006 | 6,012 | 517 | 295 | 812 |
| Franklin | 2,503 | 1,595 | 4,098 | 145 | 334 | 479 | Cherokee | 2,816 | 3,945 | 6,761 | 100 | 495 | 595 |
| Geary | 1,474 | 653 | 2,127 | 299 | 218 | 517 | Coffey | 876 | 2,310 | 3,186 | 136 | 390 | 526 |
| Jackson | 6,434 | 3,019 | 9,453 | 492 | 320 | 812 | Cowley | 2,925 | 2,913 | 5,838 | 571 | 1,316 | 1,887 |
| Jefferson | 3,033 | 4,695 | 7,728 | 295 | 322 | 617 | Crawford | 3,318 | 2,918 | 6,236 | 603 | -- | 603 |
| Johnson | 2,139 | 2,019 | 4,158 | 184 | 606 | 790 | Elk | 1,474 | 1,006 | 2,480 | 404 | 499 | 903 |
| Leavenworth | 5,932 | 3,482 | 9,414 | 252 | 229 | 481 | Greenwood | 5,108 | 2,336 | 7,444 | 712 | -- | 712 |
| Marshall | 4,010 | 2,927 | 6,937 | 637 | 397 | 1,034 | Labette | 1,000 | 3,261 | 4,261 | 41 | 558 | 599 |
| Miami | 5,154 | 1,253 | 6,407 | 411 | 971 | 1,382 | Linn | 3,234 | 732 | 3,966 | 204 | 721 | 925 |
| Nemaha | 1,816 | 516 | 2,332 | 227 | 256 | 483 | Lyon | 2,377 | 999 | 3,376 | 513 | 540 | 1,053 |
| Osage | 3,366 | 4,335 | 7,701 | 462 | 876 | 1,338 | Marion | 796 | 1,831 | 2,627 | 436 | 1,225 | 1,661 |
| Pottawatomie | 3,699 | 1,257 | 4,956 | 538 | 544 | 1,082 | Montgomery | 2,160 | 1,533 | 3,693 | 259 | 848 | 1,107 |
| Riley | 2,165 | 1,486 | 3,651 | 340 | 327 | 667 | Morris | 1,405 | 391 | 1,796 | 268 | 209 | 477 |
| Shawnee | 2,241 | 2,500 | 4,741 | 603 | -- | 603 | Neosho | 1,119 | 3,003 | 4,122 | 41 | 349 | 390 |
| Wabaunsee | 3,186 | 1,514 | 4,700 | 488 | 238 | 726 | Wilson | 2,291 | 12,785 | 15,076 | 159 | 703 | 862 |
| Washington | 5,441 | 2,286 | 7,727 | 531 | 197 | 728 | Woodson | 1,451 | 1,917 | 3,368 | 141 | 177 | 318 |
| Wyandotte | 453 | 8 | 461 | 32 | 36 | 68 | All counties | 50,251 | 66,906 | 117,157 | 7,314 | 10,712 | 18,026 |
| All counties | 62,590 | 43,039 | 105,629 | 7,847 | 9,388 | 17,235 | | | | | | | |

(Table 2 continued)

| WESTERN UNIT | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------|---------------|-------------|-------|---------------|-------------|-------|--------------|---------------|-------------|---------|---------------|-------------|--------|
| County | Area | | | Length | | | County | Area | | | Length | | |
| | Wooded strips | Wind-breaks | Total | Wooded strips | Wind-breaks | Total | | Wooded strips | Wind-breaks | Total | Wooded strips | Wind-breaks | Total |
| | -Acres- | | | -Miles- | | | | -Acres- | | | -Miles- | | |
| Barber | 2,154 | 1,552 | 3,706 | 281 | 141 | 422 | Morton | 383 | -- | 383 | 41 | 25 | 66 |
| Barton | 118 | -- | 118 | 95 | 111 | 206 | Ness | -- | 16 | 16 | 184 | 18 | 202 |
| Cheyenne | 1,749 | 670 | 2,419 | 52 | 32 | 84 | Norton | 673 | 336 | 1,009 | 189 | 11 | 200 |
| Clark | 645 | 1,639 | 2,284 | 109 | 88 | 197 | Osborne | 671 | 879 | 1,550 | 465 | 102 | 567 |
| Cloud | 59 | 2,148 | 2,207 | 277 | 227 | 504 | Ottawa | 280 | 3,184 | 3,464 | 186 | 336 | 522 |
| Comanche | 363 | 655 | 1,018 | 52 | 82 | 134 | Pawnee | 1,592 | 736 | 2,328 | 120 | 18 | 138 |
| Decatur | 838 | 8 | 846 | 127 | 11 | 138 | Phillips | 1,680 | 2,045 | 3,725 | 363 | 41 | 404 |
| Edwards | 203 | 192 | 395 | 61 | 155 | 216 | Pratt | 61 | 200 | 261 | 34 | 141 | 175 |
| Ellis | 288 | 692 | 980 | 354 | 34 | 388 | Rawlins | 383 | 16 | 399 | 186 | 39 | 225 |
| Ellsworth | 597 | 388 | 985 | 254 | 70 | 324 | Reno | 884 | 7,455 | 8,339 | 134 | 1,030 | 1,164 |
| Finney | 59 | -- | 59 | 47 | 32 | 79 | Republic | 947 | 1,844 | 2,791 | 331 | 5 | 336 |
| Ford | 363 | 656 | 1,019 | 44 | 79 | 123 | Rice | 168 | 729 | 897 | 107 | 426 | 533 |
| Gove | -- | 857 | 857 | 54 | -- | 54 | Rooks | 1,434 | 2,720 | 4,154 | 422 | 104 | 526 |
| Graham | 1,108 | 801 | 1,909 | 345 | 36 | 381 | Rush | 57 | -- | 57 | 111 | 50 | 161 |
| Grant | 109 | 327 | 436 | 13 | 7 | 20 | Russell | 197 | 132 | 329 | 497 | 79 | 576 |
| Gray | 88 | -- | 88 | 7 | 29 | 36 | Saline | 368 | 1,407 | 1,775 | 456 | 338 | 794 |
| Greeley | -- | -- | -- | -- | 7 | 7 | Scott | -- | 8 | 8 | 16 | 16 | 32 |
| Hamilton | 432 | -- | 432 | 34 | 270 | 304 | Sedgwick | 719 | 4,571 | 5,290 | 84 | 1,282 | 1,366 |
| Harper | 1,403 | 6,710 | 8,113 | 139 | 213 | 352 | Seward | 601 | 343 | 944 | 16 | 54 | 70 |
| Harvey | 686 | 755 | 1,441 | 29 | 241 | 270 | Sheridan | 86 | 102 | 188 | 209 | 50 | 259 |
| Haskell | -- | -- | -- | -- | 7 | 7 | Sherman | -- | -- | -- | 11 | 82 | 93 |
| Hodgeman | -- | -- | -- | 124 | 5 | 129 | Smith | 3,987 | 96 | 4,083 | 276 | 39 | 315 |
| Jewell | 1,497 | 761 | 2,258 | 252 | -- | 252 | Stafford | 360 | 2,470 | 2,830 | 43 | 261 | 304 |
| Kearny | -- | -- | -- | 7 | 34 | 41 | Stanton | -- | -- | -- | 9 | 14 | 23 |
| Kingman | 1,619 | 5,079 | 6,698 | 152 | 454 | 606 | Stevens | 116 | -- | 116 | 5 | 77 | 82 |
| Kiowa | 1,196 | -- | 1,196 | 41 | 57 | 98 | Summer | 2,083 | 16,891 | 18,974 | 152 | 1,749 | 1,901 |
| Lane | 29 | -- | 29 | 23 | 47 | 70 | Thomas | -- | 190 | 190 | 50 | 109 | 159 |
| Lincoln | 871 | 1,005 | 1,876 | 202 | 29 | 231 | Trego | 334 | 679 | 1,013 | 152 | 27 | 179 |
| Logan | 114 | 8 | 122 | 102 | 34 | 136 | Wallace | 110 | 328 | 438 | 18 | 5 | 23 |
| Mcpherson | 682 | 886 | 1,568 | 179 | 894 | 1,073 | Wichita | -- | -- | -- | 23 | 45 | 68 |
| Meade | 59 | -- | 59 | 77 | 86 | 163 | All counties | 37,119 | 76,358 | 113,477 | 8,548 | 10,266 | 18,814 |
| Mitchell | 1,616 | 3,192 | 4,808 | 125 | 181 | 306 | All units | 149,960 | 186,303 | 336,263 | 23,709 | 30,366 | 54,075 |

Table 3.--Net volume of sawtimber^{1/} and short-log^{2/} trees on commercial forest land and wooded strips, by species group and Forest Survey Unit, Kansas, 1981

(In thousand board feet)^{3/}

| Species group | ALL UNITS | | | | |
|--------------------------|-----------|------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | Total | Commercial forest land | | Wooded strips | |
| | | Sawtimber trees | Short-log trees | Sawtimber trees | Short-log trees |
| SOFTWOODS | | | | | |
| Eastern redcedar | 12,870 | 10,871 | 779 | 1,220 | -- |
| Total | 12,870 | 10,871 | 779 | 1,220 | -- |
| HARDWOODS | | | | | |
| Bur oak | 350,299 | 286,120 | 16,080 | 48,099 | -- |
| Select white oak | 119,652 | 107,383 | 12,269 | -- | -- |
| Other white oak | 38,525 | 36,531 | 1,994 | -- | -- |
| Select red oak | 192,823 | 183,457 | 4,733 | 4,633 | -- |
| Other red oak | 128,529 | 118,665 | 6,328 | 3,536 | -- |
| Select hickory | 44,878 | 43,047 | 1,831 | -- | -- |
| Other hickory | 27,293 | 24,649 | 1,685 | 959 | -- |
| Pecan | 33,204 | 28,043 | 1,903 | 2,860 | 398 |
| Hard maple | 6,613 | 6,280 | 333 | -- | -- |
| Soft maple | 101,089 | 87,834 | 2,571 | 10,684 | -- |
| Ash | 236,913 | 185,760 | 11,798 | 34,894 | 4,461 |
| Cottonwood | 707,410 | 610,060 | 13,704 | 83,646 | -- |
| Basswood | 28,141 | 25,763 | 1,571 | 807 | -- |
| Elm | 92,790 | 69,531 | 12,387 | 9,199 | 1,673 |
| Black walnut | 192,760 | 169,979 | 13,121 | 8,669 | 991 |
| Willow | 57,075 | 47,901 | 2,355 | 6,433 | 386 |
| Boxelder | 39,152 | 22,839 | 7,992 | 5,125 | 3,196 |
| Hackberry | 363,523 | 299,581 | 21,596 | 41,472 | 874 |
| Sycamore | 120,423 | 105,631 | 370 | 14,422 | -- |
| Other hardwoods | 135,631 | 96,304 | 12,504 | 23,399 | 3,424 |
| Total | 3,016,723 | 2,555,358 | 147,125 | 298,837 | 15,403 |
| All species | 3,029,593 | 2,566,229 | 147,904 | 300,057 | 15,403 |
| NORTHEASTERN UNIT | | | | | |
| SOFTWOODS | | | | | |
| Eastern redcedar | 5,209 | 5,106 | 103 | -- | -- |
| Total | 5,209 | 5,106 | 103 | -- | -- |
| HARDWOODS | | | | | |
| Bur oak | 136,514 | 124,290 | 8,605 | 3,619 | -- |
| Select white oak | 87,258 | 77,476 | 9,782 | -- | -- |
| Other white oak | 6,476 | 6,145 | 331 | -- | -- |
| Select red oak | 106,363 | 104,284 | 2,079 | -- | -- |
| Other red oak | 76,262 | 70,133 | 3,922 | 2,207 | -- |
| Select hickory | 24,651 | 24,060 | 591 | -- | -- |
| Other hickory | 15,851 | 14,453 | 1,398 | -- | -- |
| Pecan | 575 | 575 | -- | -- | -- |
| Hard maple | 3,635 | 3,635 | -- | -- | -- |
| Soft maple | 53,320 | 44,464 | 1,384 | 7,472 | -- |
| Ash | 57,355 | 42,154 | 2,698 | 12,186 | 317 |
| Cottonwood | 212,554 | 196,103 | 2,572 | 13,879 | -- |
| Basswood | 27,185 | 24,807 | 1,571 | 807 | -- |
| Elm | 33,538 | 25,507 | 3,148 | 4,536 | 347 |
| Black walnut | 111,345 | 96,526 | 8,285 | 5,543 | 991 |
| Willow | 23,260 | 19,065 | 257 | 3,938 | -- |
| Boxelder | 9,787 | 5,924 | 1,818 | 1,129 | 916 |
| Hackberry | 133,687 | 112,814 | 8,586 | 11,413 | 874 |
| Sycamore | 64,790 | 56,268 | -- | 8,522 | -- |
| Other hardwoods | 81,192 | 53,824 | 6,979 | 18,801 | 1,588 |
| Total | 1,265,598 | 1,102,507 | 64,006 | 94,052 | 5,033 |
| All species | 1,270,807 | 1,107,613 | 64,109 | 94,052 | 5,033 |

^{1/}Net volume of the saw log portion of live sawtimber trees (softwoods 9.0 inches d.b.h. and larger and hardwoods 11.0 inches d.b.h. and larger) from stump to a minimum 7 inches top diameter outside bark for softwoods and 9 inches for hardwoods.

^{2/}A live sawtimber-sized tree of commercial species that has at least one 8-foot log, but less than a 12-foot log, that meets minimum log grade specifications and therefore is not classified as growing stock.

^{3/}International 1/4-inch rule.

| Species group | SOUTHEASTERN UNIT | | | | |
|---------------------|-------------------|------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | Total | Commercial forest land | | Wooded strips | |
| | | Sawtimber trees | Short-log trees | Sawtimber trees | Short-log trees |
| SOFTWOODS | | | | | |
| Eastern redcedar | 6,441 | 5,765 | 676 | -- | -- |
| Total | 6,441 | 5,765 | 676 | -- | -- |
| HARDWOODS | | | | | |
| Bur oak | 83,901 | 72,739 | 3,331 | 7,831 | -- |
| Select white oak | 32,394 | 29,907 | 2,487 | -- | -- |
| Other white oak | 32,049 | 30,386 | 1,663 | -- | -- |
| Select red oak | 86,460 | 79,173 | 2,654 | 4,633 | -- |
| Other red oak | 52,267 | 48,532 | 2,406 | 1,329 | -- |
| Select hickory | 20,227 | 18,987 | 1,240 | -- | -- |
| Other hickory | 11,442 | 10,196 | 287 | 959 | -- |
| Pecan | 31,869 | 26,708 | 1,903 | 2,860 | 398 |
| Hard maple | 2,978 | 2,645 | 333 | -- | -- |
| Soft maple | 47,363 | 43,370 | 781 | 3,212 | -- |
| Ash | 96,218 | 87,049 | 3,406 | 3,867 | 1,896 |
| Cottonwood | 45,351 | 39,358 | 1,244 | 4,749 | -- |
| Basswood | 956 | 956 | -- | -- | -- |
| Elm | 40,542 | 29,537 | 5,016 | 4,663 | 1,326 |
| Black walnut | 73,954 | 65,992 | 4,836 | 3,126 | -- |
| Willow | 18,858 | 16,467 | 637 | 1,368 | 386 |
| Boxelder | 13,231 | 6,077 | 1,488 | 3,996 | 1,670 |
| Hackberry | 158,074 | 137,513 | 5,239 | 15,322 | -- |
| Sycamore | 53,923 | 47,653 | 370 | 5,900 | -- |
| Other hardwoods | 38,647 | 29,536 | 2,677 | 4,598 | 1,836 |
| Total | 940,704 | 822,781 | 41,998 | 68,413 | 7,512 |
| All species | 947,145 | 828,546 | 42,674 | 68,413 | 7,512 |
| WESTERN UNIT | | | | | |
| SOFTWOODS | | | | | |
| Eastern redcedar | 1,220 | -- | -- | 1,220 | -- |
| Total | 1,220 | -- | -- | 1,220 | -- |
| HARDWOODS | | | | | |
| Bur oak | 129,884 | 89,091 | 4,144 | 36,649 | -- |
| Select white oak | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- |
| Other white oak | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- |
| Select red oak | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- |
| Other red oak | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- |
| Select hickory | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- |
| Other hickory | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- |
| Pecan | 760 | 760 | -- | -- | -- |
| Hard maple | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- |
| Soft maple | 406 | -- | 406 | -- | -- |
| Ash | 83,340 | 56,557 | 5,694 | 18,841 | 2,248 |
| Cottonwood | 449,505 | 374,599 | 9,888 | 65,018 | -- |
| Basswood | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- |
| Elm | 18,710 | 14,487 | 4,223 | -- | -- |
| Black walnut | 7,461 | 7,461 | -- | -- | -- |
| Willow | 14,957 | 12,369 | 1,461 | 1,127 | -- |
| Boxelder | 16,134 | 10,838 | 4,686 | -- | 610 |
| Hackberry | 71,762 | 49,254 | 7,771 | 14,737 | -- |
| Sycamore | 1,710 | 1,710 | -- | -- | -- |
| Other hardwoods | 15,792 | 12,944 | 2,848 | -- | -- |
| Total | 910,421 | 630,070 | 41,121 | 136,372 | 2,858 |
| All species | 811,641 | 630,070 | 41,121 | 137,592 | 2,858 |

State Units are shown in table 1 along with estimated standard errors.

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Table 4.--Net volume^{1/} of growing-stock^{2/} and short-log trees on commercial forest land and wooded strips, by species group and Forest Survey Unit, Kansas, 1981

(In thousand cubic feet)

| Species group | ALL UNITS | | | | |
|--------------------------|-----------|------------------------|-----------------|---------------------|-----------------|
| | Total | Commercial forest land | | Wooded strips | |
| | | Growing-stock trees | Short-log trees | Growing-stock trees | Short-log trees |
| SOFTWOODS | | | | | |
| Eastern redcedar | 6,077 | 4,591 | 410 | 1,076 | -- |
| Total | 6,077 | 4,591 | 410 | 1,076 | -- |
| HARDWOODS | | | | | |
| Bur oak | 78,929 | 60,920 | 6,634 | 11,301 | 74 |
| Select white oak | 39,284 | 34,121 | 4,875 | 258 | 30 |
| Other white oak | 21,641 | 19,854 | 1,787 | -- | -- |
| Select red oak | 49,432 | 45,828 | 1,755 | 1,658 | 191 |
| Other red oak | 30,416 | 27,445 | 2,097 | 874 | -- |
| Select hickory | 18,493 | 17,388 | 928 | 177 | -- |
| Other hickory | 13,399 | 11,693 | 934 | 733 | 39 |
| Pecan | 10,665 | 8,986 | 757 | 798 | 124 |
| Hard maple | 3,245 | 3,120 | 125 | -- | -- |
| Soft maple | 25,042 | 21,011 | 1,078 | 2,953 | -- |
| Ash | 80,493 | 61,700 | 5,446 | 11,082 | 2,265 |
| Cottonwood | 162,335 | 134,292 | 4,011 | 24,032 | -- |
| Basswood | 7,109 | 6,031 | 734 | 344 | -- |
| Elm | 44,980 | 30,599 | 8,010 | 5,154 | 1,217 |
| Black walnut | 67,416 | 57,868 | 5,495 | 3,368 | 685 |
| Willow | 14,014 | 11,629 | 821 | 1,475 | 89 |
| Boxelder | 17,609 | 10,376 | 3,487 | 2,174 | 1,572 |
| Hackberry | 109,599 | 86,674 | 9,118 | 12,710 | 1,097 |
| Sycamore | 26,445 | 21,538 | 250 | 4,657 | -- |
| Other hardwoods | 52,671 | 35,651 | 8,677 | 6,719 | 1,624 |
| Total | 873,217 | 706,724 | 67,019 | 90,467 | 9,007 |
| All species | 879,294 | 711,315 | 67,429 | 91,543 | 9,007 |
| NORTHEASTERN UNIT | | | | | |
| SOFTWOODS | | | | | |
| Eastern redcedar | 2,851 | 2,446 | 225 | 180 | -- |
| Total | 2,851 | 2,446 | 225 | 180 | -- |
| HARDWOODS | | | | | |
| Bur oak | 34,479 | 29,902 | 3,708 | 869 | -- |
| Select white oak | 25,682 | 22,050 | 3,602 | -- | 30 |
| Other white oak | 2,315 | 2,107 | 208 | -- | -- |
| Select red oak | 26,738 | 25,577 | 911 | 250 | -- |
| Other red oak | 16,583 | 15,385 | 788 | 410 | -- |
| Select hickory | 12,395 | 11,801 | 430 | 164 | -- |
| Other hickory | 7,690 | 6,665 | 719 | 267 | 39 |
| Pecan | 265 | 265 | -- | -- | -- |
| Hard maple | 1,938 | 1,938 | -- | -- | -- |
| Soft maple | 13,003 | 10,459 | 633 | 1,911 | -- |
| Ash | 18,511 | 13,845 | 1,283 | 3,159 | 224 |
| Cottonwood | 48,389 | 43,561 | 1,017 | 3,811 | -- |
| Basswood | 6,696 | 5,618 | 734 | 344 | -- |
| Elm | 19,950 | 13,932 | 3,066 | 2,571 | 381 |
| Black walnut | 37,917 | 32,366 | 2,945 | 1,959 | 647 |
| Willow | 6,204 | 5,021 | 235 | 948 | -- |
| Boxelder | 6,169 | 3,563 | 865 | 1,191 | 550 |
| Hackberry | 45,013 | 37,640 | 2,871 | 3,883 | 619 |
| Sycamore | 14,808 | 11,447 | 26 | 3,335 | -- |
| Other hardwoods | 30,233 | 19,505 | 4,520 | 5,347 | 861 |
| Total | 374,978 | 312,647 | 28,561 | 30,419 | 3,351 |
| All species | 377,829 | 315,093 | 28,786 | 30,599 | 3,351 |

^{1/}Growing-stock volume--Net volume in cubic feet of growing stock trees 5.0 inches d.b.h. and over from a 1-foot stump to a minimum 4.0 inch top diameter outside bark of the central stem or to the point where the central stem no longer meets pulpwood specifications.

^{2/}Growing-stock trees--Live trees of commercial species qualifying as acceptable trees. (Note: Excludes rough, rotten, and dead trees.)

(Table 4 continued)

| SOUTHEASTERN UNIT | | | | | |
|---------------------|---------|------------------------|-----------------|---------------------|-----------------|
| Species group | Total | Commercial forest land | | Wooded strips | |
| | | Growing-stock trees | Short-log trees | Growing-stock trees | Short-log trees |
| SOFTWOODS | | | | | |
| Eastern redcedar | 2,297 | 2,112 | 185 | -- | -- |
| Total | 2,297 | 2,112 | 185 | -- | -- |
| HARDWOODS | | | | | |
| Bur oak | 19,183 | 15,644 | 1,613 | 1,852 | 74 |
| Select white oak | 13,602 | 12,071 | 1,273 | 258 | -- |
| Other white oak | 19,326 | 17,747 | 1,579 | -- | -- |
| Select red oak | 22,694 | 20,251 | 844 | 1,408 | 191 |
| Other red oak | 13,833 | 12,060 | 1,309 | 464 | -- |
| Select hickory | 6,098 | 5,587 | 498 | 13 | -- |
| Other hickory | 5,709 | 5,028 | 215 | 466 | -- |
| Pecan | 10,257 | 8,578 | 757 | 798 | 124 |
| Hard maple | 1,307 | 1,182 | 125 | -- | -- |
| Soft maple | 11,912 | 10,552 | 318 | 1,042 | -- |
| Ash | 30,634 | 26,734 | 1,759 | 1,232 | 909 |
| Cottonwood | 11,272 | 9,786 | 438 | 1,048 | -- |
| Basswood | 413 | 413 | -- | -- | -- |
| Elm | 19,065 | 12,589 | 3,150 | 2,490 | 836 |
| Black walnut | 26,920 | 23,004 | 2,469 | 1,409 | 38 |
| Willow | 4,860 | 4,204 | 284 | 283 | 89 |
| Boxelder | 4,114 | 1,831 | 708 | 983 | 592 |
| Hackberry | 45,226 | 38,441 | 2,275 | 4,328 | 182 |
| Sycamore | 11,333 | 9,787 | 224 | 1,322 | -- |
| Other hardwoods | 15,694 | 11,527 | 2,032 | 1,372 | 763 |
| Total | 293,452 | 247,016 | 21,870 | 20,768 | 3,798 |
| All species | 295,749 | 249,128 | 22,055 | 20,768 | 3,798 |
| WESTERN UNIT | | | | | |
| SOFTWOODS | | | | | |
| Eastern redcedar | 929 | 33 | -- | 896 | -- |
| Total | 929 | 33 | -- | 896 | -- |
| HARDWOODS | | | | | |
| Bur oak | 25,267 | 15,374 | 1,313 | 8,580 | -- |
| Select white oak | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- |
| Other white oak | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- |
| Select red oak | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- |
| Other red oak | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- |
| Select hickory | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- |
| Other hickory | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- |
| Pecan | 143 | 143 | -- | -- | -- |
| Hard maple | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- |
| Soft maple | 127 | -- | 127 | -- | -- |
| Ash | 31,348 | 21,121 | 2,404 | 6,691 | 1,132 |
| Cottonwood | 102,674 | 80,945 | 2,556 | 19,173 | -- |
| Basswood | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- |
| Elm | 5,965 | 4,078 | 1,794 | 93 | -- |
| Black walnut | 2,579 | 2,498 | 81 | -- | -- |
| Willow | 2,950 | 2,404 | 302 | 244 | -- |
| Boxelder | 7,326 | 4,982 | 1,914 | -- | 430 |
| Hackberry | 19,360 | 10,593 | 3,972 | 4,499 | 296 |
| Sycamore | 304 | 304 | -- | -- | -- |
| Other hardwoods | 6,744 | 4,619 | 2,125 | -- | -- |
| Total | 204,787 | 147,061 | 16,588 | 39,280 | 1,858 |
| All species | 205,716 | 147,094 | 16,588 | 40,176 | 1,858 |

Table 5.--Length of wooded strips by forest type and width, Kansas, 1981

(In miles)

| Width of wooded strip | Forest type | | | Total |
|-----------------------|-------------|-------------|--------------------|--------|
| | Spruce | Oak-hickory | Elm-ash-cottonwood | |
| NORTHEASTERN UNIT | | | | |
| 0-1 Chains | 2 | 742 | 2,926 | 3,670 |
| 1-2 Chains | -- | 690 | 3,487 | 4,177 |
| Total | 2 | 1,432 | 6,413 | 7,847 |
| SOUTHEASTERN UNIT | | | | |
| 0-1 Chains | -- | 858 | 2,781 | 3,639 |
| 1-2 Chains | -- | 506 | 3,169 | 3,675 |
| Total | -- | 1,364 | 5,950 | 7,314 |
| WESTERN UNIT | | | | |
| 0-1 Chains | -- | 256 | 3,426 | 3,682 |
| 1-2 Chains | -- | 156 | 4,710 | 4,866 |
| Total | -- | 412 | 8,136 | 8,548 |
| STATE TOTAL | | | | |
| 0-1 Chains | 2 | 1,856 | 9,133 | 10,991 |
| 1-2 Chains | -- | 1,352 | 11,366 | 12,718 |
| Total | 2 | 3,208 | 20,499 | 23,709 |

Table 6.--Length of windbreaks by forest type and width, Kansas, 1981

(In miles)

| Width of windbreak | Forest type | | | | Total |
|--------------------|-------------|------------------|-------------|--------------------|--------|
| | Pine | Eastern redcedar | Oak-hickory | Elm-ash-cottonwood | |
| NORTHEASTERN UNIT | | | | | |
| 0-1 Chains | -- | 5 | 6,701 | 1,667 | 8,373 |
| 1-2 Chains | -- | 5 | 574 | 436 | 1,015 |
| Total | -- | 10 | 7,275 | 2,103 | 9,388 |
| SOUTHEASTERN UNIT | | | | | |
| 0-1 Chains | -- | -- | 6,992 | 2,563 | 9,555 |
| 1-2 Chains | -- | -- | 907 | 250 | 1,157 |
| Total | -- | -- | 7,899 | 2,813 | 10,712 |
| WESTERN UNIT | | | | | |
| 0-1 Chains | 7 | -- | 3,723 | 3,741 | 7,471 |
| 1-2 Chains | 7 | -- | 914 | 1,874 | 2,795 |
| Total | 14 | -- | 4,637 | 5,615 | 10,266 |
| STATE TOTAL | | | | | |
| 0-1 Chains | 7 | 5 | 17,416 | 7,971 | 25,399 |
| 1-2 Chains | 7 | 5 | 2,395 | 2,560 | 4,967 |
| Total | 14 | 10 | 19,811 | 10,531 | 30,366 |

Table 7.--Length of windbreaks by forest type and number of rows, Kansas, 1981

(In miles)

| Number of rows in windbreaks | Forest type | | | | Total |
|------------------------------|-------------|------------------|-------------|--------------------|--------|
| | Pine | Eastern redcedar | Oak-hickory | Elm-ash-cottonwood | |
| NORTHEASTERN UNIT | | | | | |
| 0 Rows | -- | -- | 367 | 295 | 662 |
| 1 Row | -- | 5 | 6,159 | 1,329 | 7,493 |
| 2 Rows | -- | 3 | 556 | 322 | 881 |
| 3+ Rows | -- | 2 | 193 | 157 | 352 |
| Total | -- | 10 | 7,275 | 2,103 | 9,388 |
| SOUTHEASTERN UNIT | | | | | |
| 0 Rows | -- | -- | 141 | 113 | 254 |
| 1 Row | -- | -- | 6,760 | 2,228 | 8,988 |
| 2 Rows | -- | -- | 962 | 354 | 1,316 |
| 3+ Rows | -- | -- | 36 | 118 | 154 |
| Total | -- | -- | 7,899 | 2,813 | 10,712 |
| WESTERN UNIT | | | | | |
| 0 Rows | -- | -- | 451 | 318 | 769 |
| 1 Row | 5 | -- | 3,271 | 3,326 | 6,602 |
| 2 Rows | 9 | -- | 565 | 1942 | 2,516 |
| 3+ Rows | -- | -- | 350 | 29 | 379 |
| Total | 14 | -- | 4,637 | 5,615 | 10,266 |
| STATE TOTAL | | | | | |
| 0 Rows | -- | -- | 959 | 726 | 1,685 |
| 1 Row | 5 | 5 | 16,190 | 6,883 | 23,083 |
| 2 Rows | 9 | 3 | 2,083 | 2,618 | 4,713 |
| 3+ Rows | -- | 2 | 579 | 304 | 885 |
| Total | 14 | 10 | 19,811 | 10,531 | 30,366 |