

# Ocean Shipping and Exports

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**T**OTAL exports during the month of July this year showed a decrease of 26,486 tons over exports during July of last year; 152 vessels lifted 471,619 tons of exports during the month, as compared to 498,105 tons, lifted by 155 vessels, during the same month last year.

The decrease is mainly attributed to a decrease in log exports.

Exports during July, 1954, as compared with exports during July, 1953, were as follows:

Commodity	1954	1953
Beer.....	381 tons	89 tons
Cigars and cigarettes.....	15 "	21 "
Coconut, desiccated.....	5,754 "	6,177 "
Coconut oil.....	5,823 "	4,931 "
Concentrates containing copper, gold, silver, lead, and zinc.....	322 "	537 "
Copra.....	71,971 "	55,519 "
Copra cake meal.....	5,457 "	4,824 "
Embroideries.....	423 "	428 "
Empty cylinders.....	173 "	188 "
Fruits, fresh.....	21 "	11 "
Furniture, rattan.....	664 "	572 "
Glycerine.....	423 "	— "
Gums, copal.....	139 "	91 "
Hemp.....	68,831 bales	72,635 bales
Hemp rugs.....	144 tons	— "
Household goods and personal effects.....	557 "	395 tons
Kapok.....	26 "	— "
Logs.....	33,277,644 bd.ft.	53,288,364 bd.ft.
Lumber, sawn.....	6,254,929 "	4,498,125 "
Molasses.....	18,306 tons	15,161 tons
Ores, chrome.....	23,075 "	44,631 "
Ores, iron.....	153,865 "	121,216 "
Ores, manganese.....	200 "	2,928 "
Pineapples, canned.....	7,532 "	10,980 "
Plywood and plywood products.....	45 "	— "
Rattan, round (palasan).....	203 "	251 "
Rope.....	324 "	521 "
Shells, shell waste.....	71 "	61 "
Sugar, cent./raw.....	80,517 "	95,253 "
Sugar, refined.....	2,332 "	— "
Tobacco.....	1,109 "	1,697 "
Vegetable oil.....	24 "	20 "
Veneer.....	14 "	90 "
Merchandise, general.....	716 "	954 "

## Freight Car Loadings

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**L**OADINGS of revenue freight during the month of July, 1954, totaled 2,550 cars. This was an increase of 584, or 29.71%, over the loadings during July, 1953, of 1,966 cars. The slight increase in carloadings was due to the new traffic in cement, late sugar, and copra and rice which represented 244 carloads. This increase was offset by logs, lumber, wood fuel, and other items by about 120 carloads.

### Revenue Carloadings by Class

Group Commodities	July—Tonnage	
	1954	1953
Products of agriculture.....	6,771	3,612
Animal products.....	424	1,059
Products of mines.....	1,608	1,141
Products of forests.....	11,446	14,949
Products of manufactures.....	23,413	19,105
Merchandise less than by carloads.....	6,687	7,184
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>50,351</b>	<b>47,050</b>

There were 43 items considered in this review, with 21 items registering increases of 11,032 tons, while 22 items suffered decreases of 7,731 tons, or an aggregate increase of 3,301 tons. The principal items responsible for the increase were: rice, 1,986 tons; cement, 1,919 tons; copra, 1,831 tons; centrifugal sugar, 1,080 tons, and molasses, 897 tons; resulting in a total aggregate increase of 9,034 tons. On the other hand, the principal items which decreased were: lumber, 2,934 tons; fuel oil, 656 tons; and live-stock, 579 tons, or a total aggregate decrease of 4,170 tons. The aggregate increase on these items was 4,864 tons.

In spite of the dull business during July, 1954, freight carloadings improved over the same month last year mainly because of the movement of NARIC rice. Cement produced at the new Bacnotan Plant and the arrival of imported cement moved by rail also augmented the carloadings. Although copra was at a low price during the month, the stock had to be sold to meet the dealers' need for cash. The need for more gasoline for more flight training was responsible for the increase in the tonnage of this item. Centrifugal sugar, because of the greater production and delayed shipment, contributed to the increased carloadings.

There was a decided decrease in the tonnage of lumber and logs shipped. A demand for reduced freight rates by water by the lumber industry has been turned down.

Another factor contributing to the decrease in minor items was the increase of highway motor competition, which charges fluctuating freight rates in accordance with operating convenience. It is believed that adherence by highway operators to authorized rates and more strict regulation of truck operation would give the Railroad a larger volume of traffic.

## Lumber

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**D**URING the month under review, July, 1954, the Philippines exported 59,677,299 bd. ft. of logs and lumber, 21,616,860 bd. ft. more than the preceding month. The big increase was due to the increase in shipments of logs to Japan, from 29,413,167 bd. ft. in June, 1954, to 40,324,261 bd. ft. in July, 1954, or an increase of 10,911,094 bd. ft. The exports to the United States and Canada also increased by 605,078 bd. ft., from 6,266,194 bd. ft. in June, 1954, to 6,871,272 bd. ft. in July, 1954. The big increase was also due to increases in the shipments of logs and lumber to other countries by 10,100,688 bd. ft., from 2,381,078 bd. ft. in June to 12,481,766 bd. ft. in July, 1954.

Following are the figures in bd. ft. for the logs and lumber inspected for export during July, 1954, as released by the Bureau of Forestry.

Shipper	Destination	Volume in Bd. Ft.	
		Lumber	Logs
Aboitiz & Co., Inc.....	Japan		500,000
Agusan Timber Corp.....	Japan		2,000,000
Aguinaldo Development Corp..	Japan		1,055,484
American Rubber Co.....	Japan		1,600,231
Anacleto O. Ranines.....	Japan		1,000,000
Anakan Lumber Co.....	U. S. A.	168,390	
Aras-Asan Timber Co., Inc....	Japan		1,740,000
Atkins Kroll & Co., Inc.....	Germany		300,000
Atlantic Gulf & Pacific Co.....	U. S. A.		10,000
	U. S. A.		1,746
	Okinawa		23,441

Company	Country	Value	Value
Basilan Lumber Co., Inc.	U. S. A.	1,377,929	373,428
Brigido R. Valencia	Hongkong	221,054	
Bislig Bay Lumber Co., Inc.	Japan		1,050,115
Calapan Lumber Co., Inc.	U. S. A.	237,704	
Cantilan Lumber Co.	Hongkong	282,813	
Cipriano Luna Lumber Enter.	Japan		6,554,175
Continental Merchandizing Corp.	Canada		105,420
Constantino Villanueva	Japan		792,374
Coronado Timber Corp.	Japan		717,966
Davao Stevedores Terminal Co.	Formosa		336,646
Dee Cho Lumber Co., Inc.	Hongkong	10,000	
E. A. Luna Timber Trading	Japan		395,871
Findlay Millar Timber Co.	U. S. A.	90,000	
F. M. Triplitt	Japan		1,592,868
F. E. Zuellig, Inc.	U. S. A.	220,000	
General Enterprises, Inc.	U. S. A.	157,605	
Getz Bros. & Co.	U. S. A.	67,053	
Gonzalo Puyat & Sons, Inc.	Korea		4,302,235
G. S. Mañalac Enterprises	Formosa		1,036,237
Henderson Trippe (Phil.), Inc.	U. S. A.		300,097
Hercules Lumber Co., Inc.	Japan		250,119
Iligan Lumber Co., Inc.	Japan		1,675,000
Insular Lumber Company	Formosa		1,657,688
Johnston Lumber Company, Inc.	Japan		2,311,041
Lanao Timber Mills, Inc.	U. S. A.	619,426	
L. A. Johnson	Africa	460,256	
Luis J. Reyes	Canada	14,856	
Lupicinio V. Campos	Hawaii	91,898	
Makiling Lumber Co., Ltd.	Belgium	84,594	
Martha Lumber Mill, Inc.	Eire	67,062	
Misamis Lumber Co., Inc.	U. S. A.	72,822	
Nasipit Lumber Co., Inc.	Korea		1,771,800
New Manila Lumber Co.	Japan		700,125
North Camarines Lumber Co., Inc.	Japan		1,020,813
Ralph W. Dempsey	U. S. A.	168,079	
Sta. Clara Lumber Co., Inc.	U. S. A.		14,784
Sta. Ines Logging Enterprises	Formosa		637,161
Sanchez Logging Corp.	U. S. A.		1,000
Standard Sawmill	U. S. A.		750,000
Surigao Timber Co., Inc.	Korea		300,000
Tagtag Sawmill Co., Inc.	Japan		1,050,000
Teodoro C. Araneta	Japan		1,094,393
Tirador Lumber Co.	U. S. A.	539,551	
UNO Import & Export Co.	Japan		2,400,000
Velderrama Lumber Mfrs. Co., Inc.	U. S. A.	10,000	
Valeriano C. Bueno	U. S. A.	27,500	
Vic Corporation	U. S. A.	283,879	
West Basilan Timber, Inc.	U. S. A.		249,986
Western Mindanao Lumber Co., Inc.	Japan		2,042,491
Woodworks, Incorp.	Japan		925,000
Yearsley, Inc.	Japan		1,196,640
	Japan		554,234
	Korea		290,530
	U. S. A.	306,497	
	Hawaii	223,687	
	Japan		275,113
	Japan		270,000
	Japan		610,398
	U. S. A.	136,516	
	U. S. A.		404,500
	Denmark		7,770
	Japan		749,496
	Japan		264,648
	Japan		500,000
	Korea		453,936
	Japan		1,050,928
	U. S. A.	142,000	
	Africa	111,958	
	Hongkong	101,000	
	U. S. A.	30,504	
<b>Total</b>		<b>6,325,633</b>	<b>53,351,666</b>

Resume of Exports to:

	Lumber (Bd.Ft.)	Logs (Bd.Ft.)	Total (Bd.Ft.)
Japan	—	40,324,261	40,324,261
United States and Canada	4,671,311	2,199,961	6,871,272
Other countries	1,654,322	10,827,444	12,481,766
<b>Total</b>	<b>6,325,633</b>	<b>53,351,666</b>	<b>59,677,299</b>

SUMMARY OF EXPORTS DURING JULY, 1954, ARRANGED BY COUNTRIES OF DESTINATION IN THE ORDER OF VOLUME OF SHIPMENT TO EACH COUNTRY

Countries of Destination	Lumber (Bd.Ft.)	Logs (Bd.Ft.)	Total (Bd.Ft.)
Japan	—	40,324,261	40,324,261
Korea	—	7,118,501	7,118,501
United States	4,656,455	2,094,541	6,750,996
Formosa	—	3,667,732	3,667,732
Hongkong	614,867	—	614,867
Africa	572,214	—	572,214
Hawaii	315,585	—	315,585
Canada	14,856	105,420	120,276
Belgium	84,594	—	84,594
Eire	67,062	—	67,062
Okinawa	—	23,441	23,441
Germany	—	10,000	10,000
Denmark	—	7,770	7,770
<b>Totals</b>	<b>6,325,633</b>	<b>53,351,666</b>	<b>59,677,299</b>

Trend of Exports to:

	This Month		Month Ago		Year Ago	
	Lumber (Bd.Ft.)	Logs (Bd.Ft.)	Lumber (Bd.Ft.)	Logs (Bd.Ft.)	Lumber (Bd.Ft.)	Logs (Bd.Ft.)
Japan	—	40,324,261	—	29,413,167	—	50,712,129
United States and Canada	4,671,311	3,199,961	3,119,676	3,146,518	3,864,096	2,123,549
Other countries	1,654,322	10,827,444	712,698	1,668,380	1,424,632	736,364
<b>Total</b>	<b>6,325,633</b>	<b>53,351,666</b>	<b>3,832,374</b>	<b>34,228,065</b>	<b>5,288,728</b>	<b>53,572,042</b>

Arrivals of logs and lumber in Manila during the month under review, July, 1954, aggregating 13,030,500 bd. ft., decreased by 1,711,257 bd. ft., as compared to arrivals during the previous month of 14,741,757 bd. ft.

The downward trend of lumber prices in the local wholesale trade continued unabated as white lauan, apitong, and red lauan scored another price decrease during the month under review, July, 1954, as compared with the prices of the previous month—from P145-P155 to P125-P140 for white lauan; from P150-P160 to P135-P140 for apitong; and from P175-P195 to P155-P170 for red lauan per 1000 bd. ft.

## Mining

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THERE were no developments of more than passing interest to gold producers during the past month. Production reflected little change from the respective averages of each producer, the gold price remained within a narrow range, and the industry still awaited news that the subsidy created by the Gold Emergency Law (Republic Act No. 1164) is about to start.

True, the Baguio Gold Mining Company set a new production record for the month of July, but by a margin

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF EXPORTS MADE TO DIFFERENT REGIONS OF THE UNITED STATES DURING THE MONTHS OF JUNE AND JULY, 1954

Period	Lumber in Board Feet					Logs in Board Feet					
	Western States	Eastern States	Gulf States	All Others	Total	Western States	Eastern States	Gulf States	All Others	Total	Grand Total
June, 1954	1,592,782	680,820	226,163	600,046	3,099,811	2,245,148	401,371	—	499,999	3,146,518	6,246,329
July, 1954	3,856,367	697,983	50,000	52,105	4,656,455	675,271	219,281	449,989	750,000	2,094,541	6,750,996
Difference (Increase +; Decrease -)	2,263,585 +	17,163 +	176,163 -	547,941 -	1,556,644 +	1,569,877 -	182,090 -	449,989 +	250,001 +	1,051,977 -	504,667 +