Almost four-fifths of all wood and paper imports (US$ net) are to territories in North America, Western Europe and Japan. Per person living in Japan, US$ 98 worth of wood and paper are imported every year. This is the highest per person regional net import. However net wood and paper imports to Andorra are seven times greater than those to Japan (US$ 693 per person is spent annually).

At the other extreme, wood and paper imports to Nepal are worth 37 US cents per person per year. Paper usage is low in a territory where, in 2002, 56% of the adult population could not read.

“Many consumers of wood and paper, and many forest products companies believe that the link between logging and [its] negative impacts can be broken.”

Forestry Stewardship Council, 2004

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