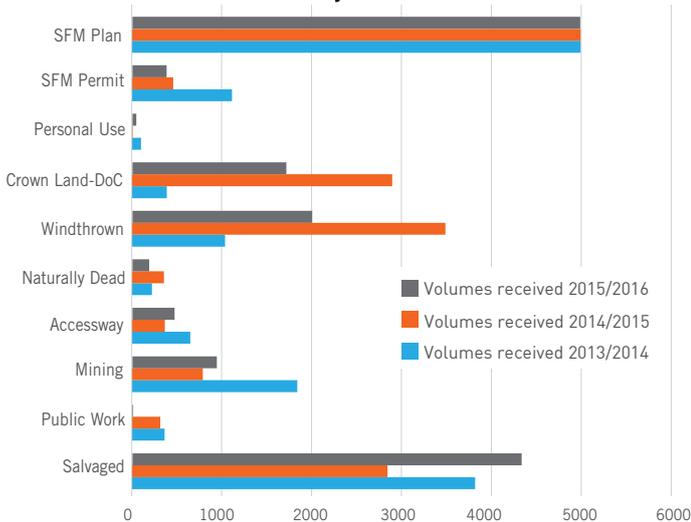




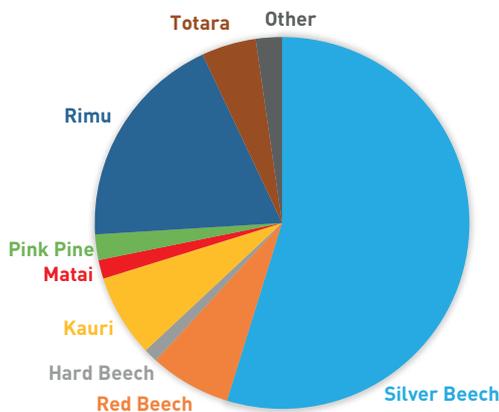
Current milling levels

The volumes of indigenous timber being received at sawmills has remained stable for the last four years at around 23,000 cubic metres a year. The increase in windthrown timber from Cyclone Ita was largely offset by a decline in timber being harvested from Sustainable Forest Management Permits and mining operations through milling statements. The volume of salvage timber recovered from Cyclone Ita has now tailed off considerably. The trends can be seen in these graphs. The total volume of timber received from SFM Plans is not shown on the graph due to commercial sensitivities.

Volumes received at mill by classification 2013–2016



Species received at mill 2015/2016



New Milling Statement Form

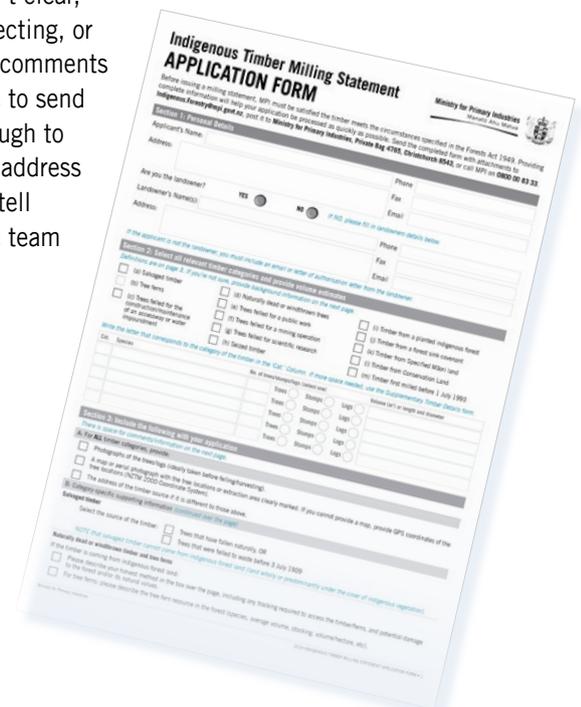
MPI has recently published a new version of the milling statement application form. This has replaced the previous application form, and can be downloaded from our website. If you would like a copy of the new form emailed or posted to you, let us know.

The new form is intended to make it easier for you to know what information you need to provide with your application. It does this by specifying the information required for each timber category (naturally dead, salvaged, timber from a public, etc).

By letting you know what we need from the start, the new form should also make it easier and faster for us to process milling statement applications, and will reduce the amount of times we have to come back to you for clarifications or more information.

You can also now submit milling statement applications by email – send them to indigenous.forestry@mpi.govt.nz

If you have any comments on the new form – things you think aren't clear, need correcting, or any other comments – feel free to send them through to the email address above, or tell one of the team directly.



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Selling indigenous timber on TradeMe

MPI regularly monitors the sale of indigenous timber on TradeMe, and we have recently noticed a number of listings that do not mention a Forests Act approval, or do not inform buyers of their requirements under the Forests Act.

Making it clear your timber has been milled legally makes it more attractive to potential customers, and means MPI won't have to contact you in order to confirm the timber source. If you're selling indigenous logs, making potential customers aware of the requirements of the Forests Act could help prevent an offence from occurring.

If you're selling **indigenous timber** on TradeMe, we would appreciate it if you included your Forests Act approval number (e.g. 7-01-0XXXX) in your listing description.

If you're selling **indigenous logs** on TradeMe and you think people might want to mill them for timber, we would appreciate it if you included the following sentence in your listing description:

“The milling of native timber is regulated by the Ministry for Primary Industries under the Forests Act 1949. If you intend to mill this timber, you will need to register your sawmill with MPI and apply for a milling statement.”

If your listing is for **recycled or demolition timber**, simply state as such in your listing.

MPI has begun posting questions on listings that do not provide a clear timber source, and will be following up (through phone calls and inspections) with any sellers that do not take the appropriate action.

Sawmill registration

MPI is investigating a couple of recent instances of milling of indigenous timber at unregistered sawmills. In order to encourage compliance with the Forests Act, MPI will undertake an out-reach project in the new year. This will be focused on educating the wider sawmill and wood processing community of their requirements under the Forests Act.

This will be followed by a coordinated effort to monitor unregistered sawmills to ensure everyone is playing by the rules.

We appreciate the continued co-operation of the New Zealand indigenous forestry industry.



FOR YOUR INFORMATION

MPI has recently had an upgrade to the website:
www.mpi.govt.nz

For any forestry related information and application forms go to: [Growing and Producing > Forestry > Indigenous Forestry](#)

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