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«FOREST AND FOREST PRODUCTS IN MEXICO»

Mexico covers a surface area of 1.9 millions of square kilometres, 10.5% correspond to scrub vegetation, 7.0% to *Pinus-Quercus*, 5.1% to *Quercus*, 5.1% to tropical forest, 3.9 conifer forest and 1.3 other vegetation types. The annual forest production is around of 8 millions of cubic meter. In North of Mexico is the Western Sierra Madre (WSM), it is the largest mountain complex of Mexico, is 1,200 km large, and has the greatest wealth of tree species associations with 24 species of *Pinus*, 54 of *Quercus*, and 7 of *Arbutus*. Durango State is part of WSW, and has about five million hectares of forests of high ecological and economical value. It is the main timber wood producer of pine and oak in the country, generating 30,9% of national production (1,7 millions of m³).

In spite of forest area of Mexico, the forest industry is underdeveloped. The main products are timber wood, pulp and paper, plywood boards, particleboards, medium density fibreboards and charcoal, but the level of production do not cover country needs. In order to increase the productions and quality it is need to modernise the industry and export products at competitive prices.

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