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its civilian labor force coupled with a decrease in the lumber and wood products industry. This manufacturing loss will have a rapid multiplying effect if the trend continues, and it is forecast that the trend not only will continue, but would accelerate, if log exports double and redouble.

NUMBER OF REPORTING UNITS IN PRIVATE INDUSTRY COVERED
 BY THE DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT 1960-1967

OREGON			
	1967	1960	% Change
All Industries	41,888	37,904	+10.5
Lumber & Wood Products	2,002	2,780	-28.0
WILLAMETTE VALLEY			
All Industries	27,534	24,426	+12.7
Lumber & Wood Products	929	1,194	-22.2
SOUTH COAST			
All Industries	1,526	1,478	+ 3.2
Lumber & Wood Products	175	262	-33.2
NORTH COAST			
All Industries	2,326	2,079	+ 1.9
Lumber & Wood Products	228	349	-34.7

-- Another way of reviewing lumber economics in Oregon is to analyze the declining number of businesses in the lumber and wood products industry. It can probably be said that the majority of these lumber and wood products closures are attributable to outmoded plants-- I would not argue the point. I would state, however, that outmoded plants have taken their toll and that additional closures must be attributed much more directly to high stumpage costs resulting from export pressures.