

TABLE I

Coniferous Component of the World's Forest Resources by Area, by Major World Region, 1963 (a)

Region	Total Forest Area 1,000 hectares (b)	Productive Forest Area 1,000 hectares	Forest Composition by Area		
			Conifers	Mixed	Hardwood
			Per Cent		
Europe	168,662	129,134	53	10	37
U.S.S.R.	910,009	710,844	76	-	24
North America (U.S. and Canada)	750,209	425,946	55	13	32
Central America	76,328	60,000	25	-	75
South America	794,725	303,804	(1)	(5)	(94)
Africa	762,721	377,159	1	1	98
Near East	8,842	1,169	10	4	86
Far East	443,111	181,016	7	21	72
Pacific (New Zealand, Australia, Islands)	218,180	41,078	36	50	14
China (mainland)	96,380	(no data)	-	-	-
World Total	4,229,167	2,190,824	35	5	60

(a) Based on U.N. Food and Agriculture Organization data as reported for 1963.

(b) One hectare equals 2.437 acres (roughly 2½ acres).