

# Oregon: Family-Owned Forests

## **Forestry Facts**

Landcover: Nearly 45% of Oregon's land is forested, for a total of 30 million acres.

**Ownership:** Over 4.2 million acres of Oregon's forests are owned by 141,000 family forest owners.

**Certified Tree Farms:** There are 1,239 Tree Farmers in the state certified by the American Tree Farm System, a program of the American Forest Foundation, responsible for the stewardship of more than 800,000 acres.

#### Threats:

*Invasive Species:* It's estimated that invasive insects and diseases spread at a rate of over 97,000 acres per year from 2003-2007.

**Urbanization:** Between 1984 and 2005 the rate of conversion of forest land to other uses averaged 3,300 acres per year; 84% of this change was to rural residential and urban use.

## Forest Ownership in Oregon

\* Data provided by U.S. Forest Service

Congressional District	Total Acres	Public	Private
District 01 Oregon (Suzanne Bonamici)	1,260,198	322,286	937,912
District 02 Oregon (Greg Walden)	16,494,585	11,584,726	4,909,859
District 03 Oregon (Earl Blumenauer)	425,033	279,156	145,877
District 04 Oregon (Peter DeFazio)	9,257,856	5,553,252	3,704,604
District 05 Oregon (Kurt Schrader)	2,366,329	1,341,434	1,024,895
Total Acreage	29,804,001	19,080,854	10,723,147

## **Benefits of Oregon Forests**

**Jobs:** The state's forest sector employs approximately 57,000 Oregonians with a payroll of \$2.1 billion Sales.

**Wildlife:** Oregon's forests are habitat for a variety of threatened and endangered species, including the Canada lynx, the Northern Spotted Owl, the gray wolf, the fisher, and the American wolverine.

**Wood:** Oregon's wood processing industries generate approximately \$10 billion in annual revenue.

**Recreation:** There are 261,000 licensed hunters in Oregon who benefit from well-managed forests





The American Forest Foundation works on the ground with families to promote programs including the American Tree Farm System. We give families the tools they need to maintain healthy and productive forests