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**Forestry Activity in 2013**

**For the accurate interpretation of results, kindly see the „Methodological notes” on page 4 of this press release**

The area of the **forest fund** on December 31, 2013, compared to the same date of 2012, increased by around 0.1%. The increase is mainly the result of some replanning of wooded pastures and of the insertion of degraded and un-forested lands in the forest fund, established by law to be afforested (Law no. 46/2008 on Forest Code, with subsequent amendments).

The forest area represents 97.6% of the national forest fund.

In 2013, the volume of **harvested wood** decreased by around 0.1% compared to 2012.

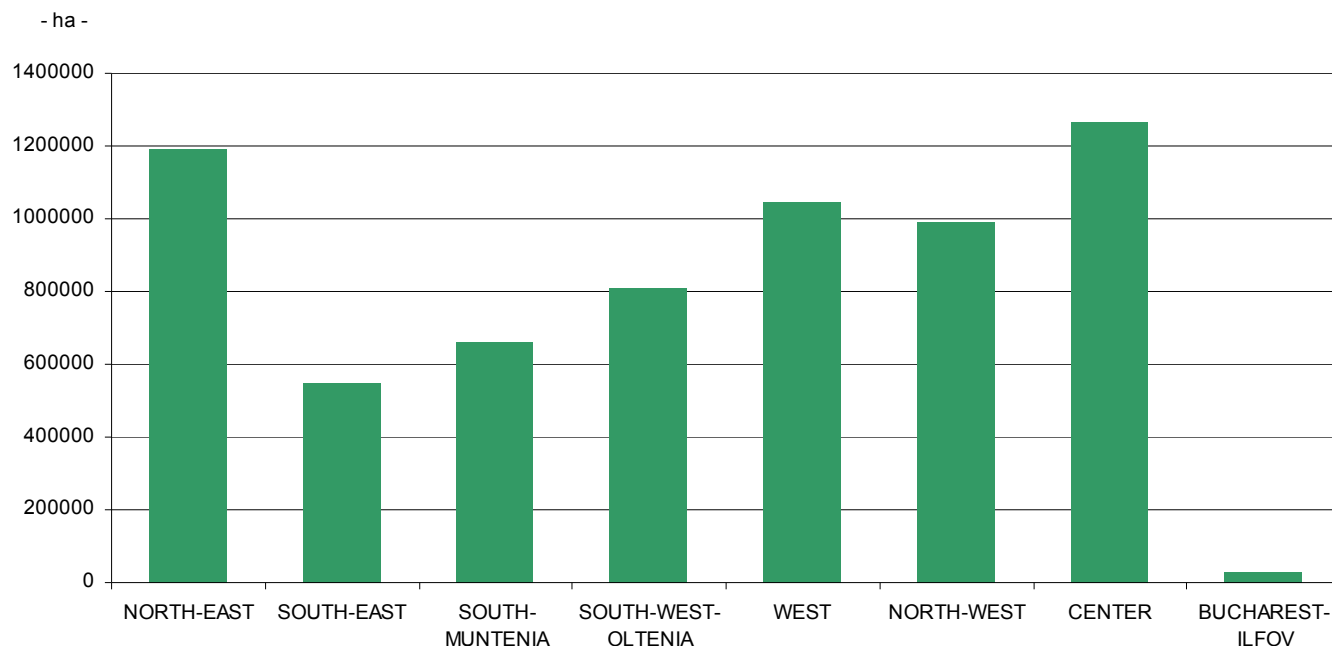
The area of cuttings for the forest regeneration, performed within the forest treatments for the forest transition from one generation to another, decreased by around 1.2% compared to 2012. Out of this area, the flat cuttings (areas on which wood was fully harvested) represent 4.5%.

In 2013, **forest regeneration works** were performed on an area of 26285 ha, 2.2% more compared to 2012.

**THE EVOLUTION OF THE MAIN FORESTRY INDICATORS**  
 in 2013 compared to 2012

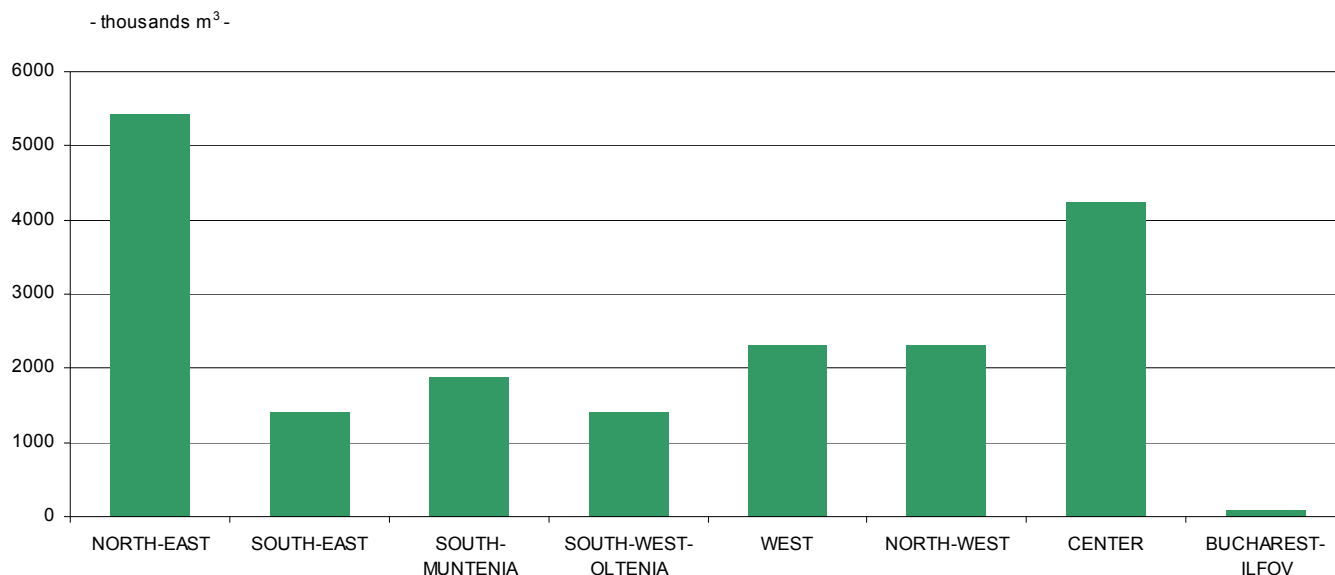
Name of indicator	U. M.	2012	2013	Differences (±) 2013 compared to 2012
<b>Forest fund (at the end of the year) – total</b>	ha	<b>6529166</b>	<b>6538522</b>	<b>+9356</b>
of which:				
- Forest area	ha	6372823	6380599	+7776
<b>Harvested wood</b>	thousands of m <sup>3</sup> .	<b>19081.2</b>	<b>19063.8</b>	<b>-17.4</b>
<b>Area of cuttings for forest regeneration – total</b>	ha	<b>109615</b>	<b>108315</b>	<b>-1300</b>
of which:				
- Flat cuttings	ha	4569	4876	+307
<b>Regenerated area – total</b>	ha	<b>25727</b>	<b>26285</b>	<b>+558</b>

### FOREST FUND, BY DEVELOPMENT REGIONS, at the end of 2013



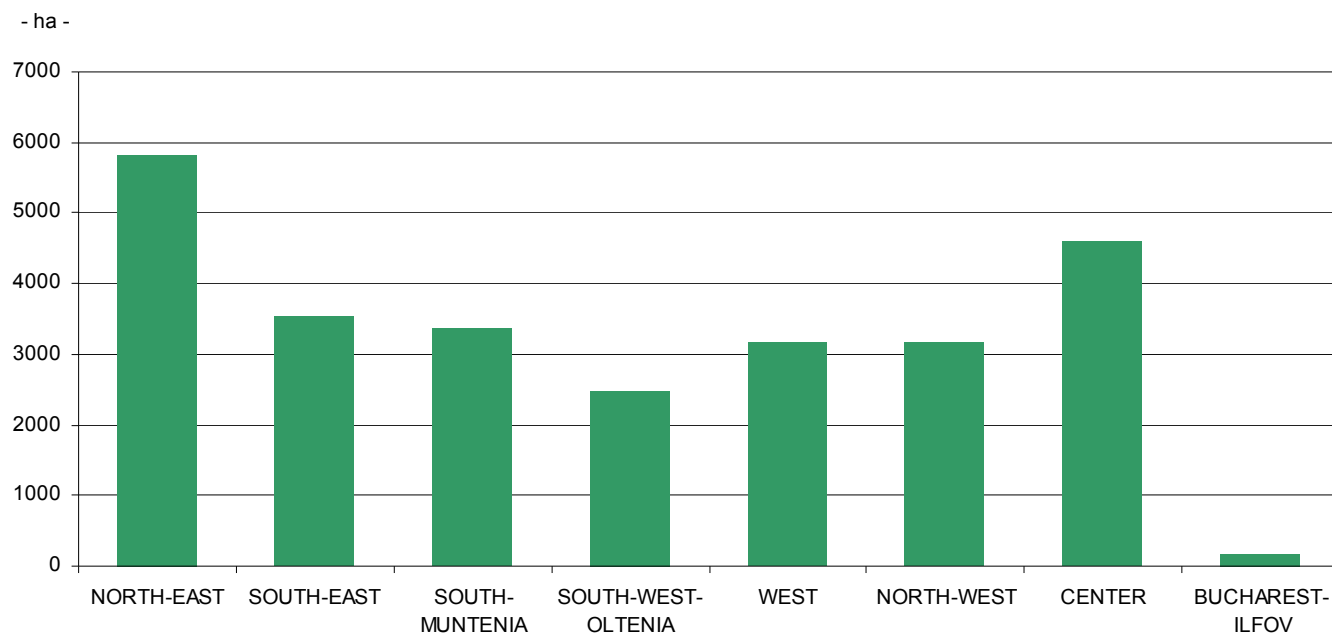
The distribution of the **forest fund** by development regions shows a significant concentration in the **CENTRE** (19.3% of the total forest fund) and **NORTH-EAST** (18.2%), followed by the development regions **WEST** (16.0%), **NORTH-WEST** (15.2%), **SOUTH-WEST-OLTENIA** (12.4%), **SOUTH-MUNTENIA** (10.1%), **SOUTH-EAST** (8.4%) and **BUCHAREST-ILFOV** (0.4%).

### HARVESTED WOOD, BY DEVELOPMENT REGIONS, in 2013



The biggest volume of **wood was harvested** in the **NORTH-EAST** development region (28.4% of the total volume of harvested wood), followed by the **CENTRE** development region (22.2%) and to a lesser extent by the development regions **WEST** (12.2%), **NORTH-WEST** (12.1%), **SOUTH-MUNTENIA** (9.9%), **SOUTH-WEST OLTENIA** (7.4%), **SOUTH-EAST** (7.4%) and **BUCHAREST-ILFOV** (0.4%).

## FOREST REGENERATION WORKS, BY DEVELOPMENT REGIONS, in 2013



The largest areas, on which **forest regeneration works** were performed in the development regions **NORTH-EAST** (22.2% of the total regenerated area) and **CENTRE** (17.5%), followed by the development regions **SOUTH-EAST** (13.4%), **SOUTH-MUNTENIA** (12.8%), **WEST** (12.0%), **NORTH-WEST** (12.0%), **SOUTH-WEST-OLTENIA** (9.4%) and **BUCHAREST-ILFOV** (0.7%).

## Methodological notes

### 1. Data source

- The forestry statistical surveys, in accordance with Law no. 46/2008 on Forestry Code, with subsequent amendments.

The forestry statistical surveys are exhaustive and address all forestry structures that administer lands within the national forest fund and/or provide forest services.

***Data are provisional and may be periodically revised based on corrections made retrospectively by the forestry structures.***

For more details, kindly see the statistical metadata base accessing <http://colectaredate.insse.ro/metadata/public.htm?locale=ro>

### 2. Definitions

- **Forest fund** represents the total area of forests, of lands to be afforested, of those that serve the needs for crops, production or forest administration, of ponds, of stream beds, of other non-productive lands for forestry included in forestry planning on January 1, 1990 or later, regardless of the nature of ownership.
- **Forest area** represents the land areas of at least 0.25 hectares, covered with trees; the trees must be at least 5 m high at maturity under normal vegetation conditions.
- **Harvested wood** represents the gross volume of standing timber, harvested till the end of the year, intended for certified legal persons and natural persons according to legal regulations.
- **Area with regeneration cuttings** represents the area on which wood cuttings have been performed within the forest treatments for the forest transition from one generation to another, which primarily aim to ensure a natural regeneration and to achieve optimal functional structures.
- **Flat cuttings** represent the full removal of older stands by a single cut, the forest regeneration being artificially achieved.
- **Regeneration** represents the process through which a new generation of forest trees is fixed, replacing the old generation, a process that can be either naturally or artificially achieved.

*For more information, kindly see the publication "Statistics of Forestry Activities in 2013", date of issue July 31, 2014.*