

Oklahoma



Forest Health Highlights

2011

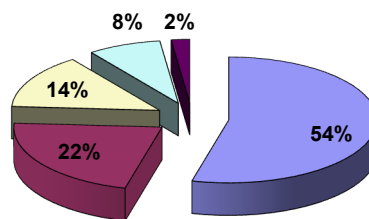
The Resource

Oklahoma's forests cover 10 million acres, about 20% of the state's land area. Some 6.9 million acres of the states forested land is in nonindustrial private ownership, while approximately 397,000 acres are in national forest. Oklahoma's forests are prized for their supporting tourism and providing wildlife state. Major forest types hickory, loblolly and oak-pine, and oak-gum-



Oklahoma's scenic beauty, outdoor recreation and habitat throughout the in the state include oak-shortleaf pine, mixed cypress.

Oklahoma Forest Type Distribution



- Oak-hickory
- Loblolly-shortleaf pine
- Oak-pine
- Oak-gum-cypress
- Elm-ash-cottonwood

Forest Influences and Programs

Southern pine beetle (SPB) was absent from Oklahoma again in 2011 on state, private, and national forest lands. *Ips engraver* beetles, however, caused isolated pine mortality in southeast Oklahoma in combination with drought conditions, but this mortality is difficult to detect and quantify.

Oak decline is likely causing some mortality and dieback of oaks in scattered areas of Oklahoma in 2011 in concert with drought conditions, but no specific detections were made. Oak decline is common across much of the eastern forested portion of the state and is often exacerbated by drought conditions.

Thousand canker disease emergency quarantine: In response to the discovery of this disease in eastern Tennessee as well as in western states, an emergency quarantine continues which prohibits entry into or transition through the State of Oklahoma all products of the black walnut tree, unless accompanied by a phytosanitary certificate from the state of origin.

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