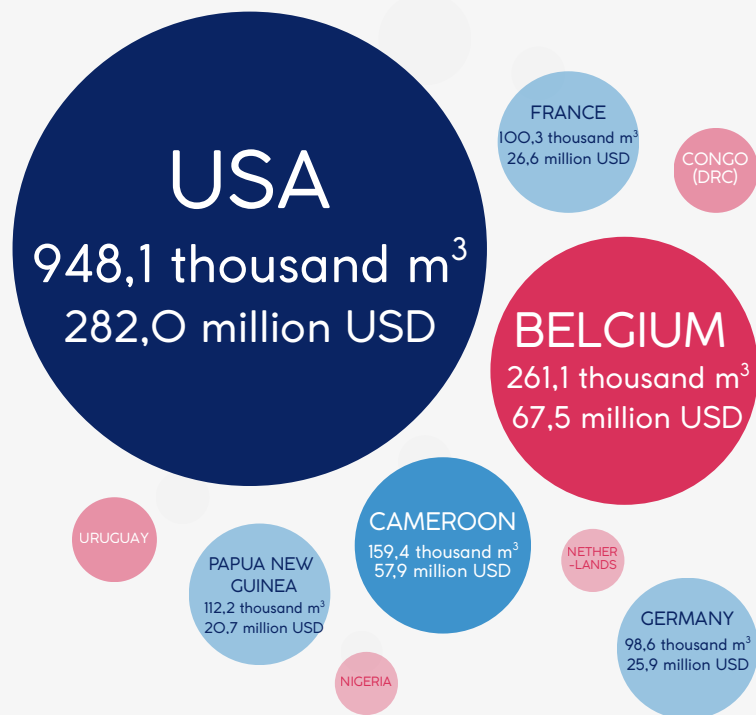


# VIETNAM'S WOOD MATERIALS IMPORTS

(as of September 2025)



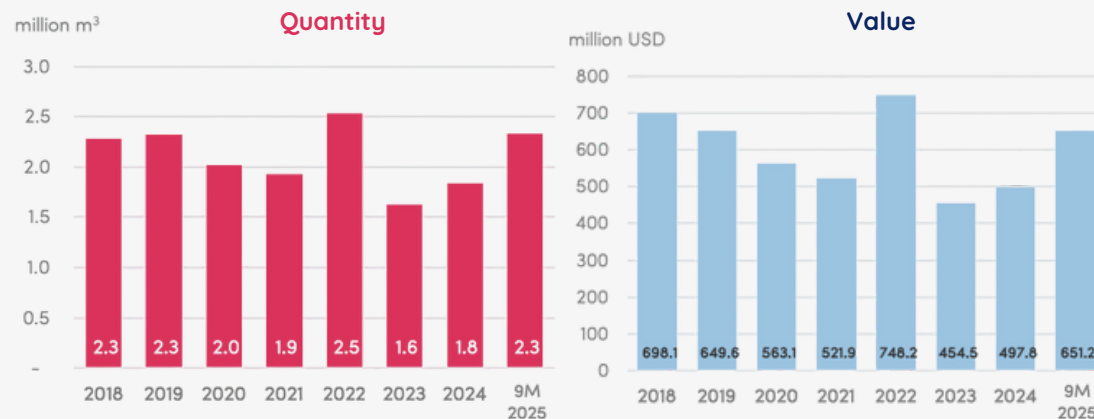
There are over 100 countries and territories supplying logs to Vietnam. The five main markets include the United States, Belgium, Cameroon, Papua New Guinea, and France.

## LOGS

During the period from 2018 to 2025, Vietnam imported an average of over 2.0 million m<sup>3</sup> of logs per year. In 2022, import volume increased by 31% compared to the previous year, reaching 2.5 million m<sup>3</sup>. In 2023, imports declined sharply to 1.6 million m<sup>3</sup>, down 36% compared to 2022, due to the impacts of war and the COVID-19 pandemic.

However, in the first nine months of 2025, roundwood imports showed signs of recovery, reaching nearly 2.3 million m<sup>3</sup> with a value of 651.2 million USD, representing an increase of 67% in volume and 70% in value compared to the same period in 2024.

Quantity and value of log imports in Vietnam, 2018 - Sep 2025



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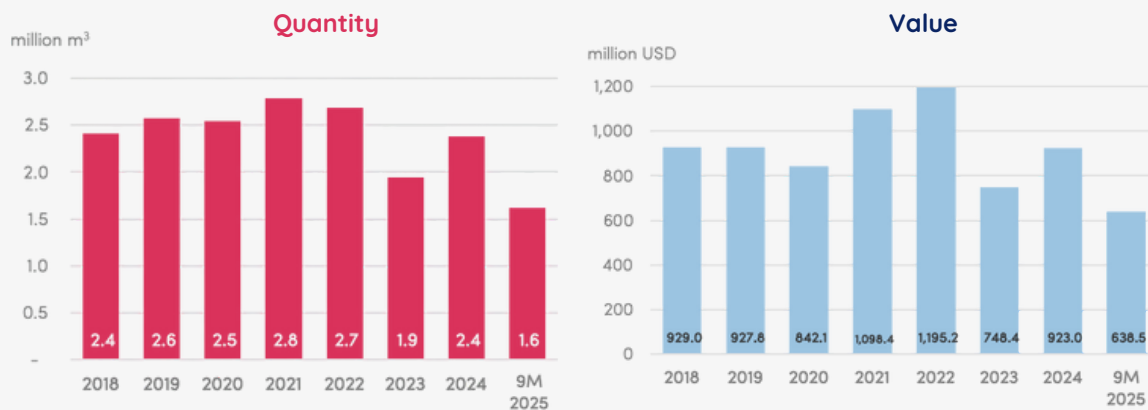
## SAWN TIMBER

During the period from 2018 to 2025, Vietnam imported an average of over 2.3 million m<sup>3</sup> of sawn timber per year. In 2023, import volume declined sharply to 1.9 million m<sup>3</sup>, down 30% compared to 2022, due to post-COVID-19 impacts. Nevertheless, in 2024, sawn timber imports rebounded, increasing by 26% in volume compared to the previous year.

In the first nine months of 2025, import volume reached nearly 1.6 million m<sup>3</sup> with a value of 638.5 million USD, representing a 10% decrease in volume and an 8% decrease in value compared to the same period in 2024.

According to assessments by craft village associations, the decline in log and sawn timber imports—reflecting reduced use of natural wood for furniture and wood products—is driven by several factors: (1) Rapid changes in consumer preferences in recent years, influenced by evolving shopping habits, a shift toward modern product designs, and preferences for color schemes and decorative products that more easily use non-natural wood materials; (2) Consumers no longer view furniture made from natural wood as a long-term asset to be passed down from one generation to the next; and (3) Greater awareness of natural resource conservation.

Quantity and value of sawn timber imports in Vietnam, 2018 – Sep 2025



There are over 100 countries and territories supplying sawn timber to Vietnam. The five main markets include the United States, Brazil, Cameroon, Chile, and China.

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