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Improved Timber Utilisation Statistics 2006

**Consumption of Sawn Softwood in Main End-User
Markets in the United Kingdom, to 2006**

**A Series of Tables & Charts,
Updated from the Timber Utilisation Database**

**for the
Forestry Commission**

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NB: Research and analysis has permitted quantification of main markets from 2002. Information by market before 2002 has been estimated and this is noted in relevant chart titles.

Table 1: Softwood Utilisation by Main Market by Volume, 2005 & 2006

000s m3	UK Producers		Imports		Total	
	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006
Construction	800	826	5,586	5,251	6,386	6,077
Pallets & Packaging	719	745	1,700	1,761	2,419	2,506
Fencing & Outdoor	809	831	190	185	999	1,016
Other Markets	45	42	205	203	250	245
TOTAL	2,373	2,443	7,681	7,401	10,054	9,844

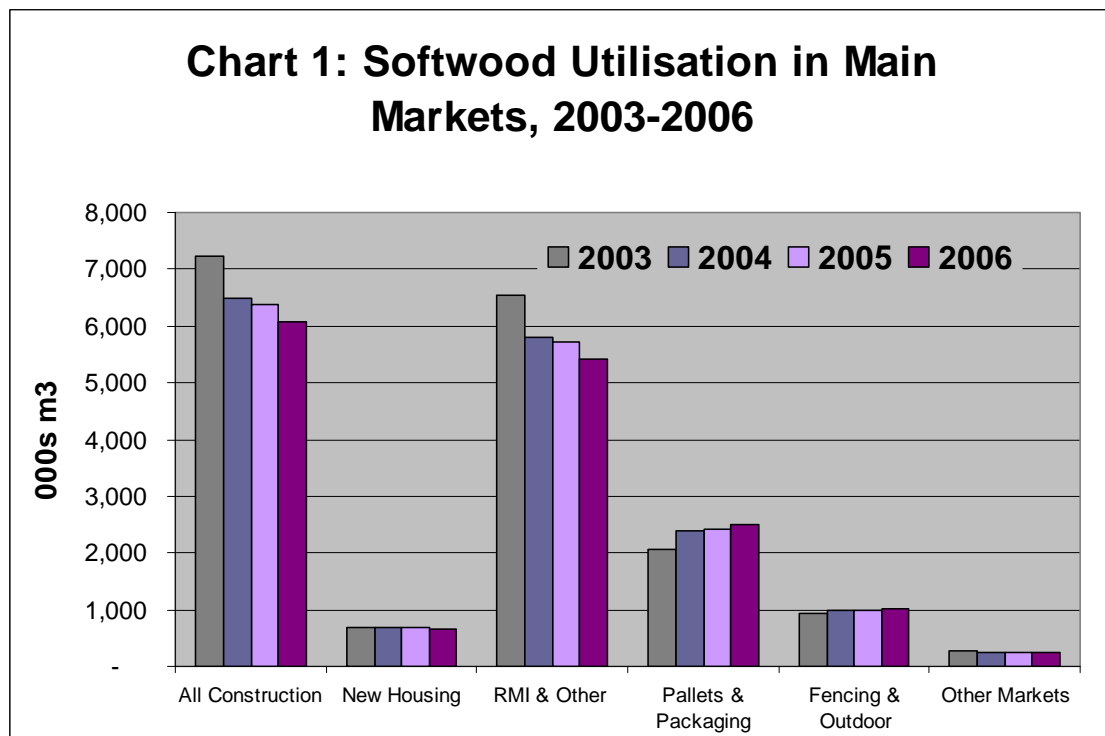
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Table 2: Softwood Utilisation by Main Market and Construction Sector by Volume, 2005 & 2006

000s m3	UK Producers		Imports		Total	
	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006
Construction	800	826	5,586	5,251	6,386	6,077
New Housing	98	97	581	561	679	658
RMI & Other	702	728	5,005	4,690	5,707	5,419
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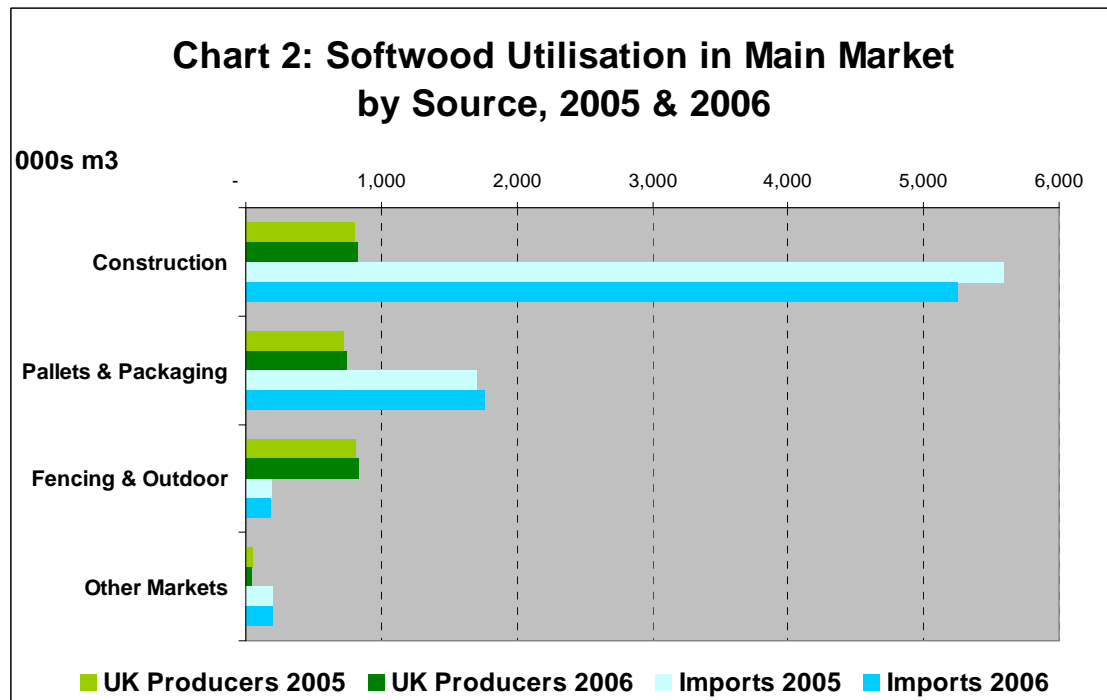
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Table 3: Share of Softwood Utilisation by Main Market, 2005 & 2006

Share of Volume	UK Producers		Imports		Total	
	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006
Construction	33.7%	33.8%	72.7%	71.0%	63.5%	61.7%
Pallets & Packaging	30.3%	30.5%	22.1%	23.8%	24.1%	25.5%
Fencing & Outdoor	34.1%	34.0%	2.5%	2.5%	9.9%	10.3%
Other Markets	1.9%	1.7%	2.7%	2.7%	2.5%	2.5%
TOTAL	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

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Chart 2: Softwood Utilisation in Main Markets by Volume, 2005 & 2006



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Table 4: Share of Softwood Utilisation within Main Market, 2005 & 2006

Share of Volume	UK Producers		Imports		Total	
	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006
Construction	12.5%	13.6%	87.5%	86.4%	100.0%	100.0%
Pallets & Packaging	29.7%	29.7%	70.3%	70.3%	100.0%	100.0%
Fencing & Outdoor	81.0%	81.8%	19.0%	18.2%	100.0%	100.0%
Other Markets	18.0%	17.0%	82.0%	83.0%	100.0%	100.0%
TOTAL	23.6%	24.8%	76.4%	75.2%	100.0%	100.0%

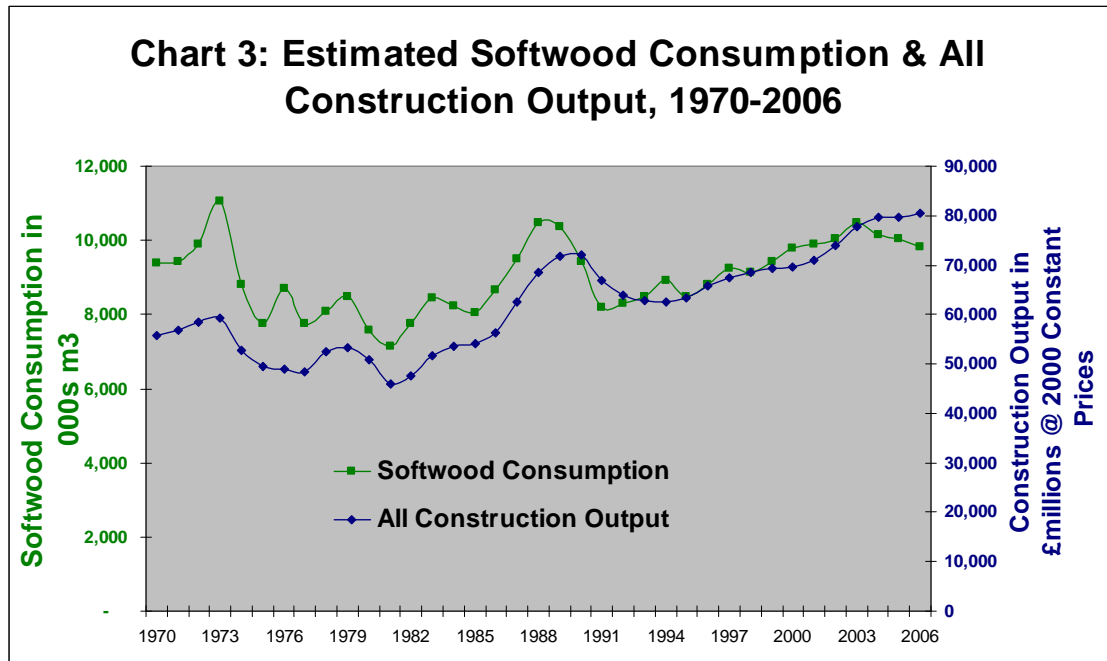
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Table 5: Share of Softwood Utilisation within Construction Sector & Other Main Market, 2005 & 2006

Share of Volume	UK Producers		Imports	
	2005	2006	2005	2006
Construction	12.5%	13.6%	87.5%	86.4%
New Housing	14.4%	14.8%	85.6%	85.2%
RMI & Other	12.3%	13.4%	87.7%	86.6%
Pallets & Packaging	29.7%	29.7%	70.3%	70.3%
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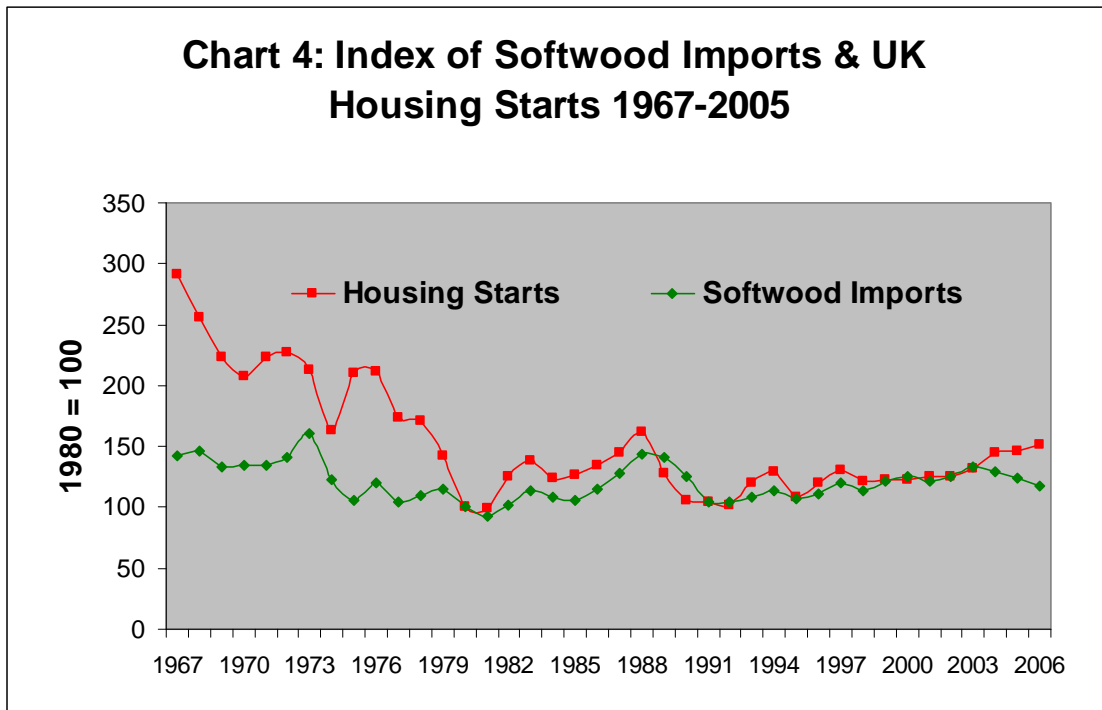
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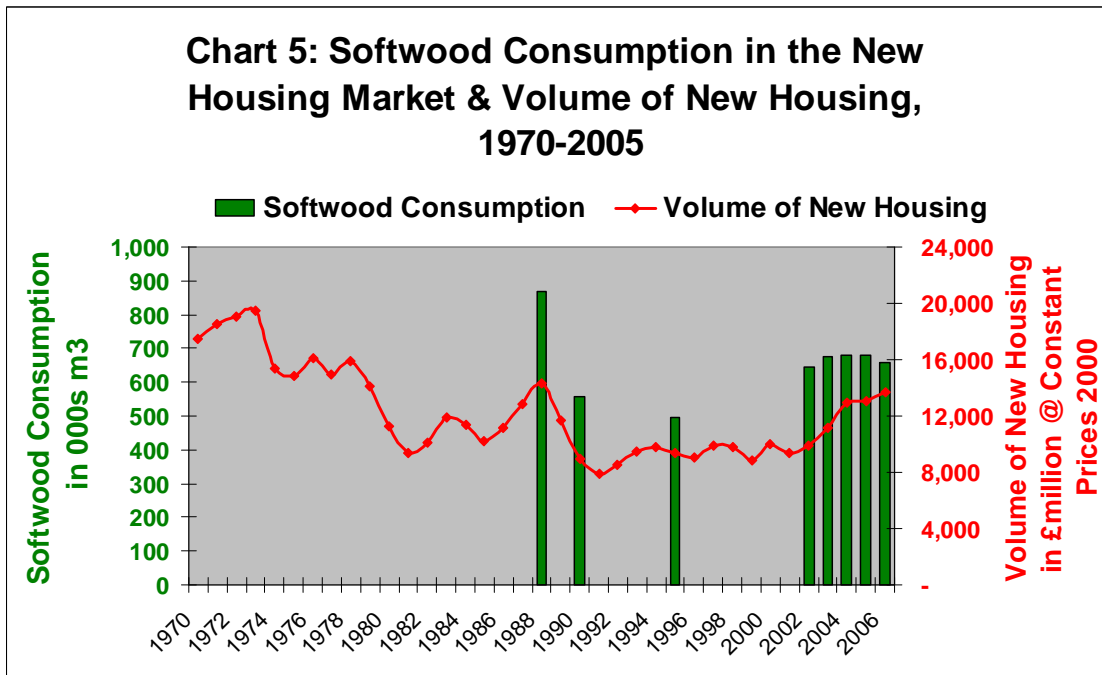
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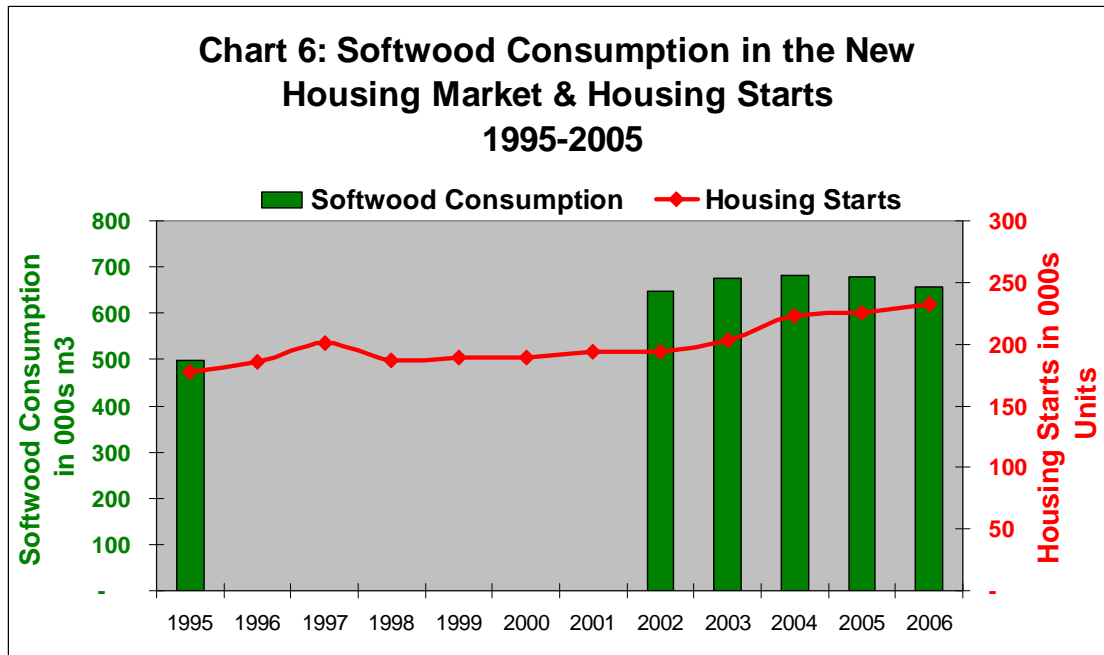
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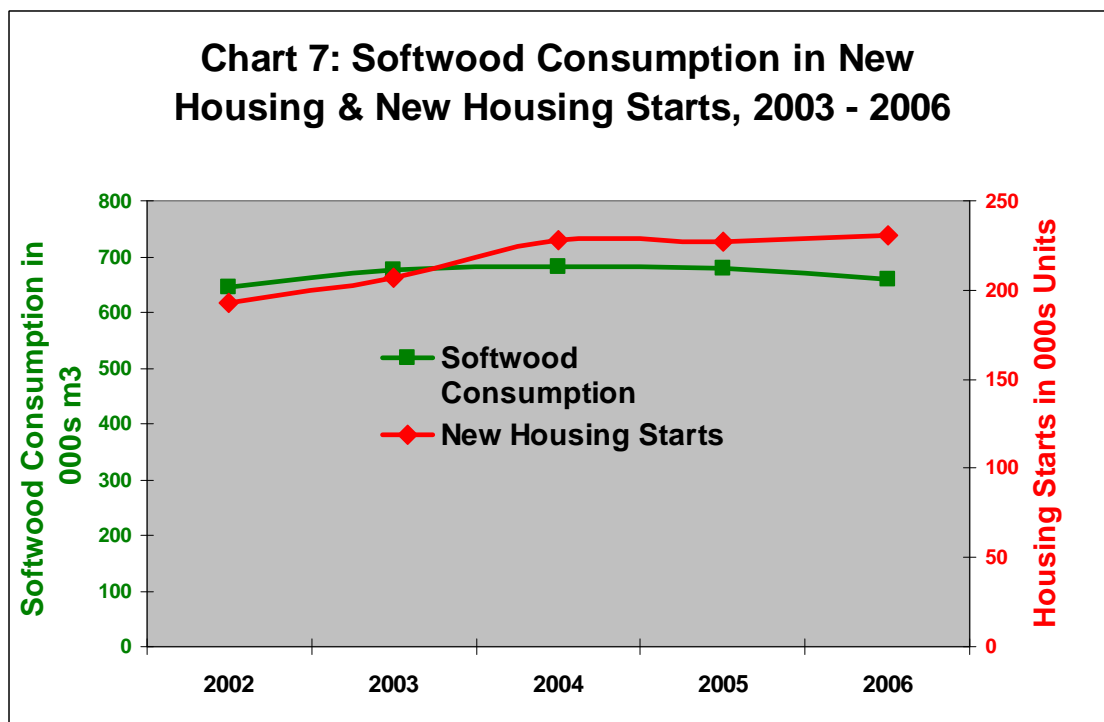
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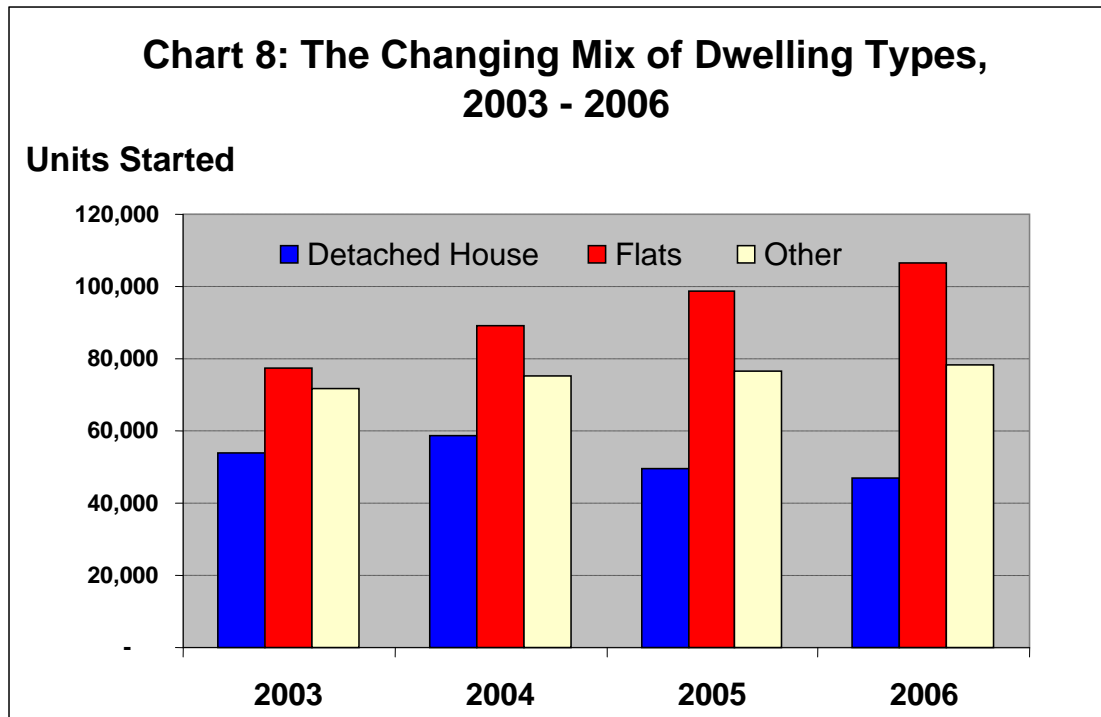
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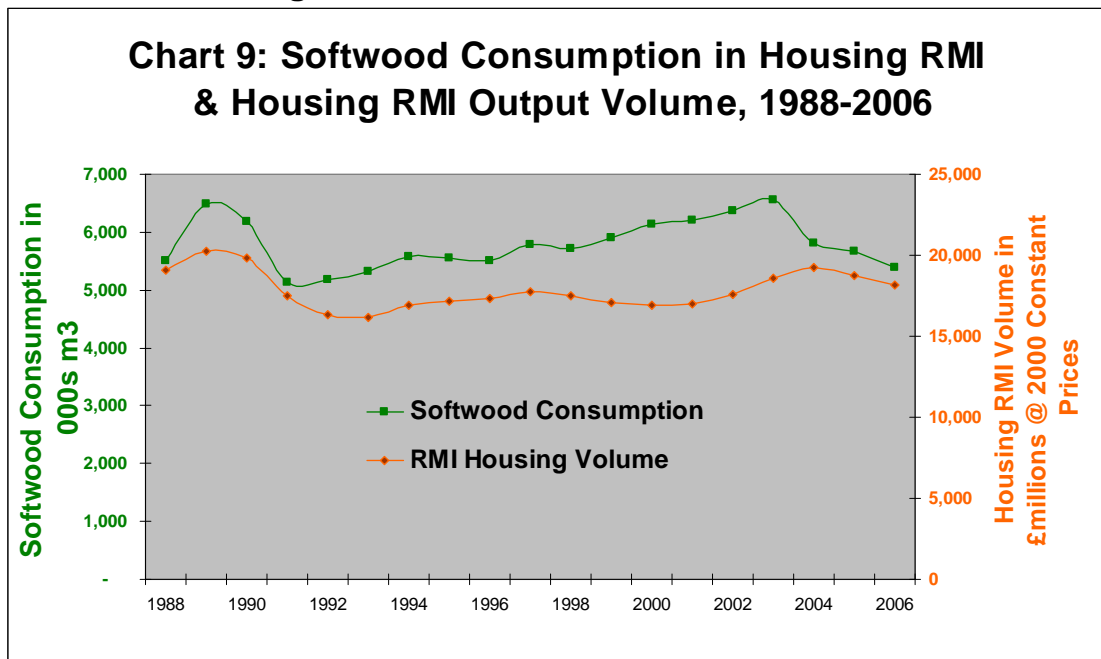
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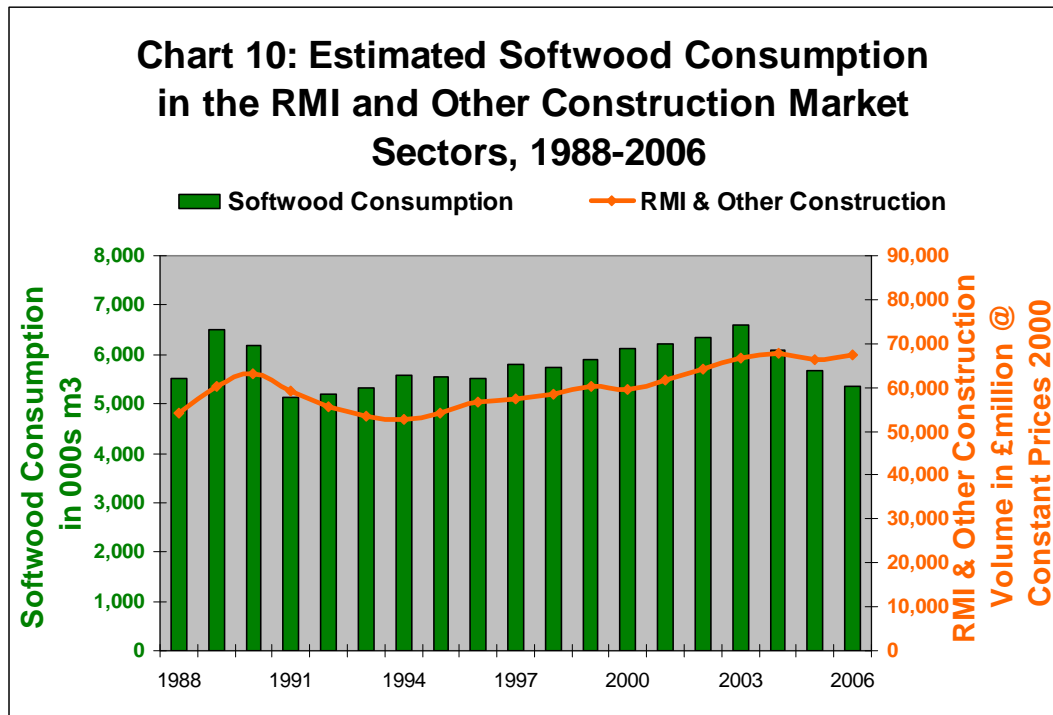
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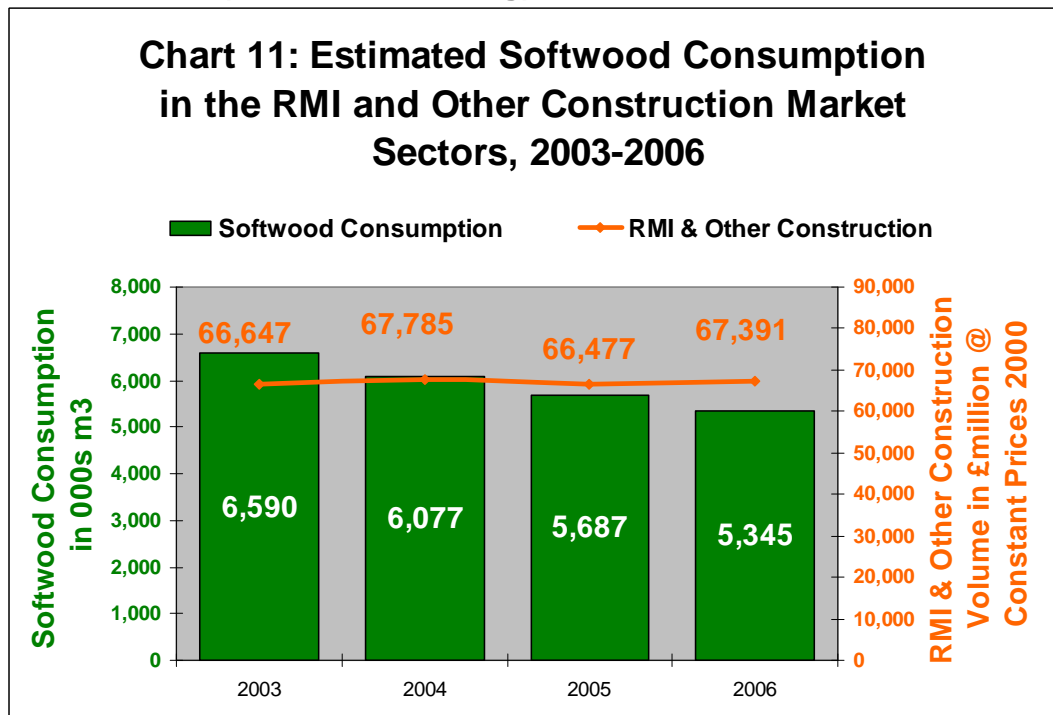
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