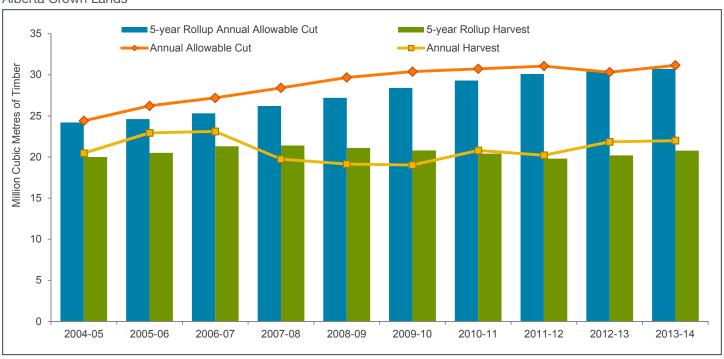
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- Alberta Agriculture and Forestry (AAF) measures the sustainability of Alberta's timber resources by determining the gap between the annual harvest and the annual allowable cut (AAC). The AAC is the annual amount of timber that AAF allows to be cut in the forested portion of the province. The target is to keep Alberta's annual timber harvest at or below the AAC.
- A five-year rolling average is used to report provincial AAC and harvest levels. Since 2009-2010, the provincial 5-year Rollup AAC ranged from 28.4 to 30.7 million cubic metres, while the 5-year Rollup Harvest ranged from 19.8 to 20.8 million cubic metres during the same period.
- The timber harvest in Alberta has been relatively stable and remains below the established AACs. Fluctuations in total harvest volume from year to year reflect changing demands in the lumber and pulp markets.
- The most recent available results for 2013-2014 indicate that the actual timber harvest of 22.0 million cubic metres was 9.2 million cubic metres below the approved AAC of 31.2 million cubic metres.

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Sources: Alberta Agriculture and Forestry, Timber Production and Revenue System (TPRS); AAC Database



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