



FORESTRY and
WOOD INDUSTRY
in LESKOVAC





Serbia possesses 2.25 million hectares of forests, the amount of land covered in forests is 29.1%. 10,186 ha in Leskovac pertains to forests. The most common types of trees are beech and oak.

Wood industry in Leskovac is oriented towards export. It is a part of economy with numerous benefits: the raw materials are at hand, workforce is cheap and the former production capacities are relatively preserved. The majority of products are massive (solid) wood products, school, preschool and office furniture, wood joinery, veneer, pallets and briquettes.

On the territory of Leskovac, there are

- » 36 companies, and
- » 93 entrepreneurs in the sector of wood industry.

The best seller wood products on the domestic market (Novi Sad, Belgrade, Leskovac, Nis, Novi Pazar) are: chairs, tables, kitchens, cribs, closets, windows and doors.

The biggest export markets are: Italy, Austria, Sweden, Germany, Ukraine, Russia, Bosnia and Herzegovina. Oak-wood elements (semi-finished products for wood industry) are mostly exported to these markets, sawn timber (boards, planks, trunks, laths, beams, palettes and slabs). As far as finished products are concerned, chairs are the most commonly exported ones.

The High School in Grdelica is responsible for the successful education of future workers in the wood industry sector on the territory of the city of Leskovac.