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TRADE FACILITATION OF TIMBER AND TIMBER PRODUCTS

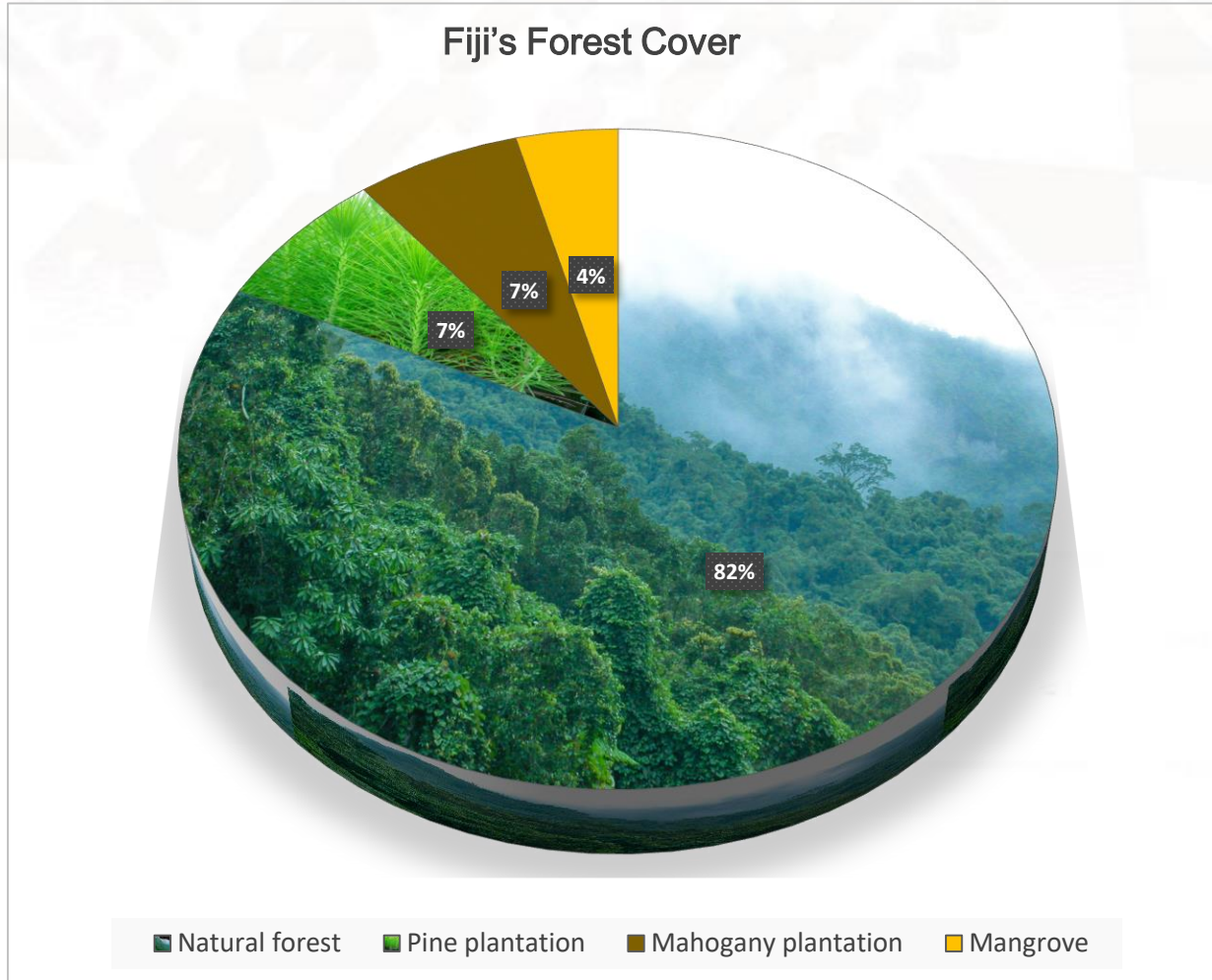
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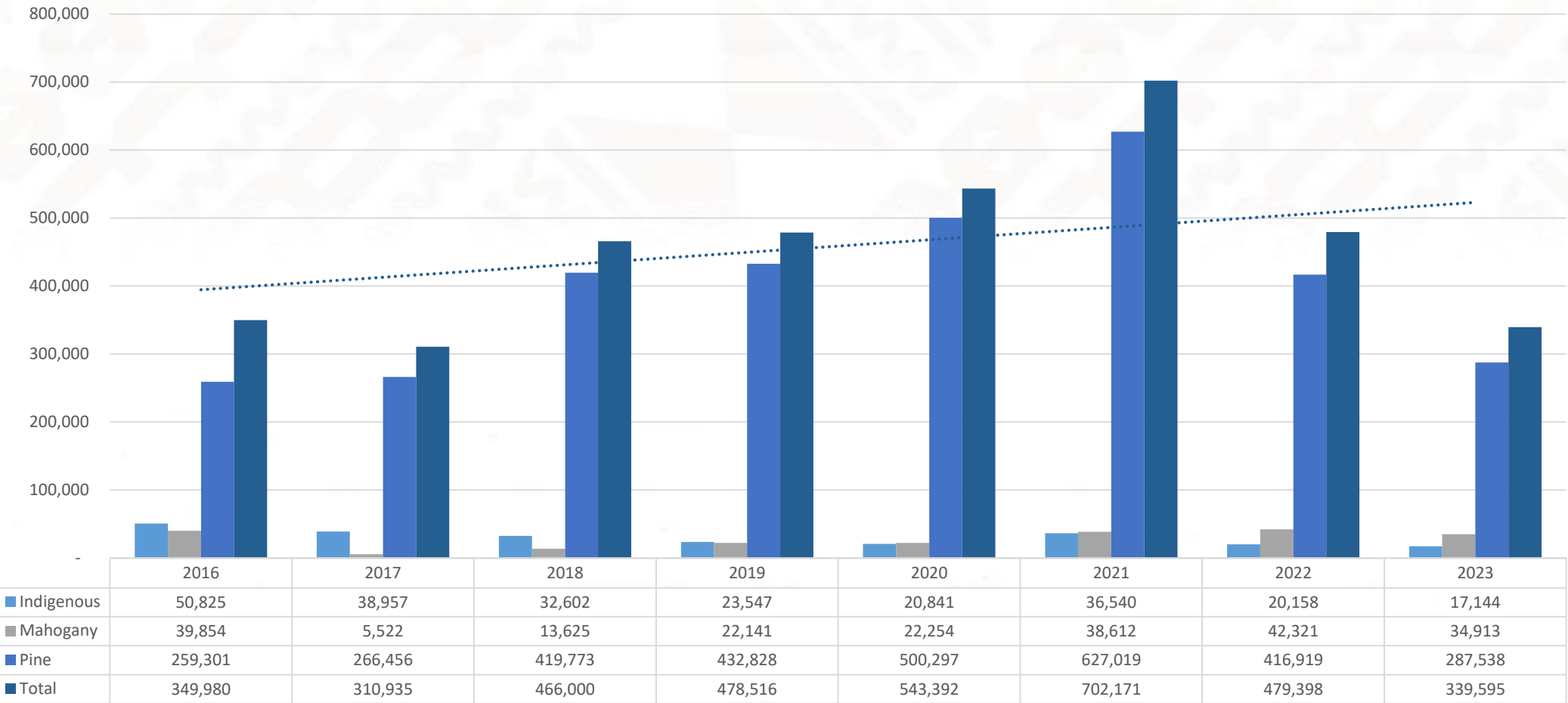
Fiji has a landmass of 1.8 million hectares, comprising around 300 islands. 87% is customary owned, 4% owned by the State and 9% freehold land. Fiji's forest covers about 1.1 million hectares of Fiji's landmass (61%)

- Natural forests make up 82.3% of 1.1 million hectares,
- Pine – 7.4%,
- Mahogany 6.2%,
- Mangrove – 4.1%.



Log Production

Log production (cubic meters): 2016 – 2023



Source: MOF 2023

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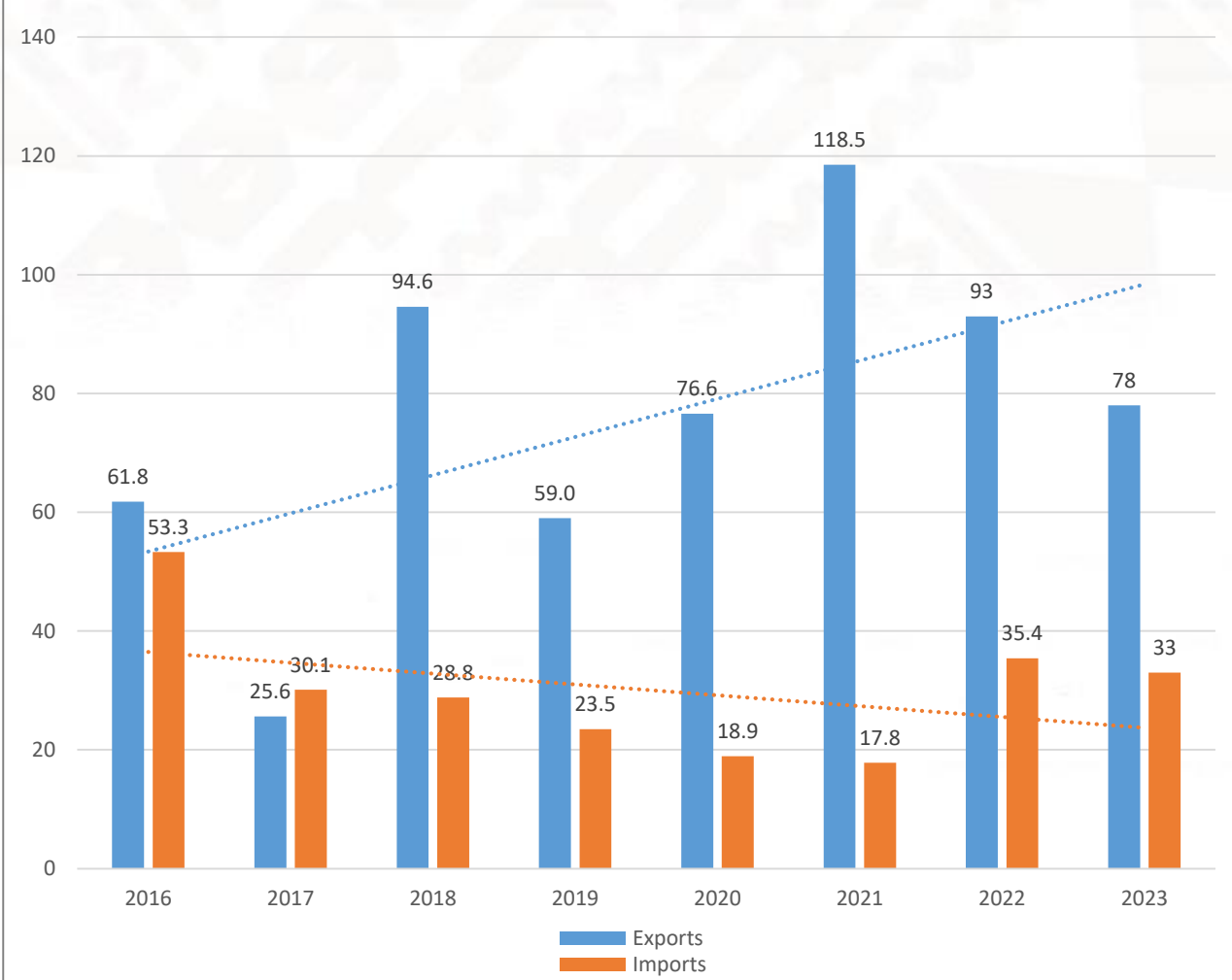
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Export/Import Figures

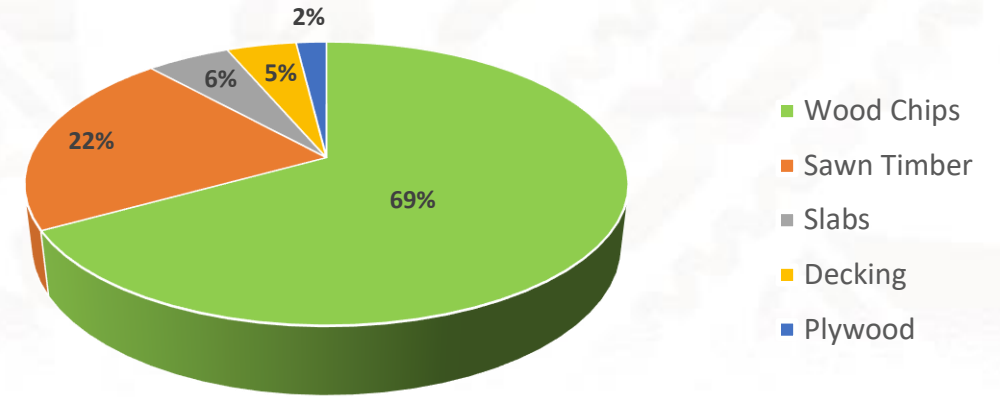


Exports & Imports of Wood Products (FJ\$ Millions)

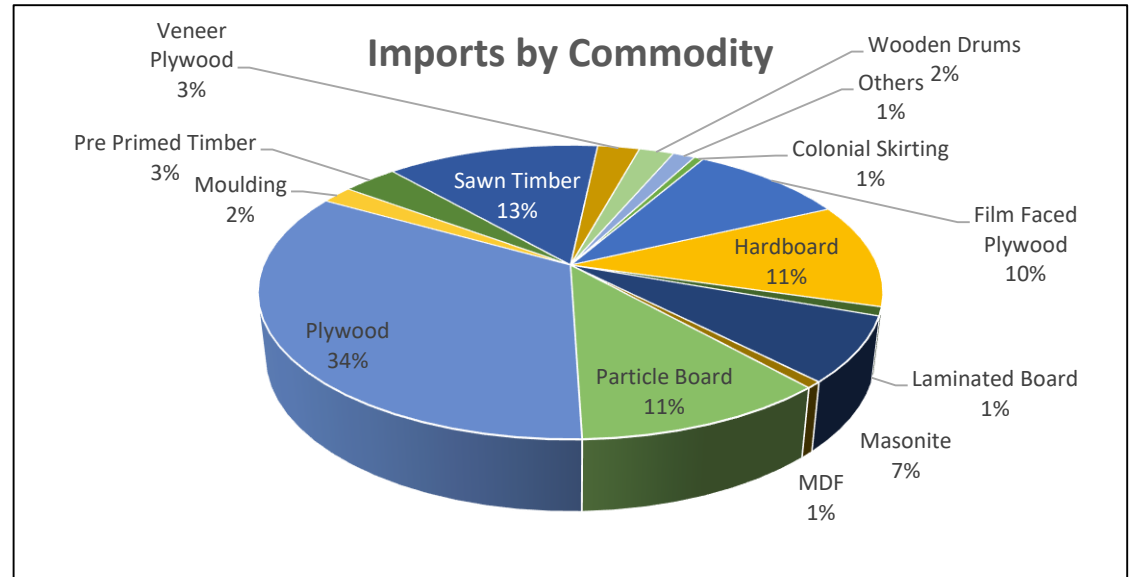


Source: FBOS 2023

Export By Commodity



Imports by Commodity



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Forestry Licenses



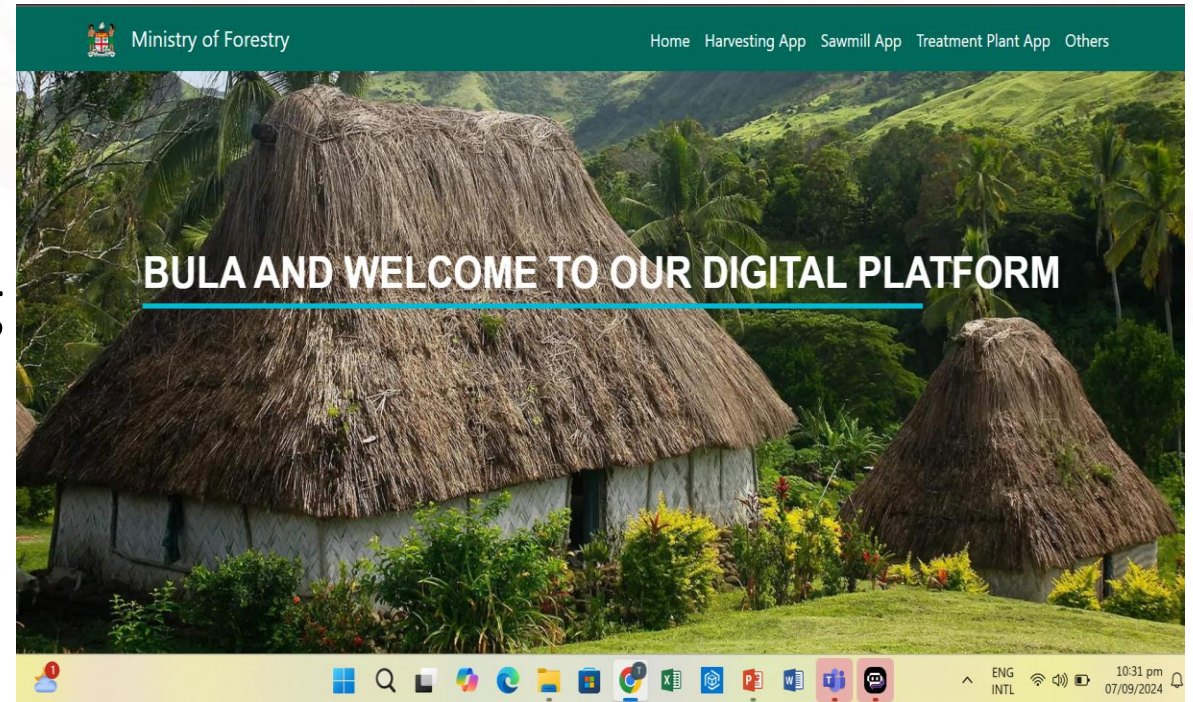
Under the existing forest act 1992 we are implementing licensing system regulating:

- Forest Harvesting
- Sawmill
- Timber Treatment Plant
- Timber Export
- Timber Import



Improvements made to enhance facilitation

- Licenses are mostly free
- Transparent - continuous training
- Simplifying the system
- On-line licensing system



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Online Licensing System (Benefits, Challenges & Opportunities)

- Implemented in late 2019
- Paper-less online system
- Efficient and effective data collection and reporting
- License processed in less than 24 hours
- Online system accessed only in Fiji
- Server with Government ITC
- Opportunity to connect with FRCS, FBOS, TLTB online systems



THANK YOU

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