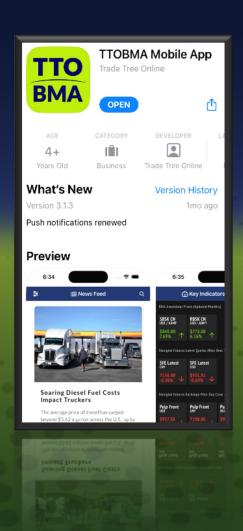
# TTO BMA

**Outlook for Pulp Markets** 

in a Changing Global Climate

Quebec City, 28 May 2024



#### Market Intelligence, Analysis, & Consulting

- Monthly reports, videos and infographics
- Pulp price forecasts



- Pulp market update webinars
- Pulp market, economic and FX data via TTO app
- Management consulting

#### **Net-Price Indices**

- Open-market net-price indices
- Based on actual transactions



- Available on phone app
- NBSK, BHK, SBSK, UKP, Fluff pulp, BCTMP and DP
- OCC, SOP, and Mixed Paper (North America)
- Tissue & Towel (Parent Rolls in North America)

#### Market Pulp 2023: 80 mm tonnes, \$60 bn -15% y/y - 2024 ~\$80 bn +33%

- 1. Changing global climate weather, society, political
- 2. China has driven global pulp demand ..... now what?
- 3. Recovered paper utilization rate is peaking
- 4. A less-plastics world
- 5. Less graphic paper, more tissue, packaging
- 6. Market Wood Pulp demand 100 mmt by 2030. What about supply?
- 7. The supply of Northern Bleached Softwood Kraft (NBSK) has peaked
- 8. Increasingly supply-shock-driven business (fires, floods, droughts & bugs).

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- Intermediate product to make paper (84%), hygienic goods e.g. diapers, pads, wipes (8%), textiles/cellulose specialties (8%)
- Production processes: chemical 94%, mechanical 6%
- Fibre: softwood 45%, hardwood 55%

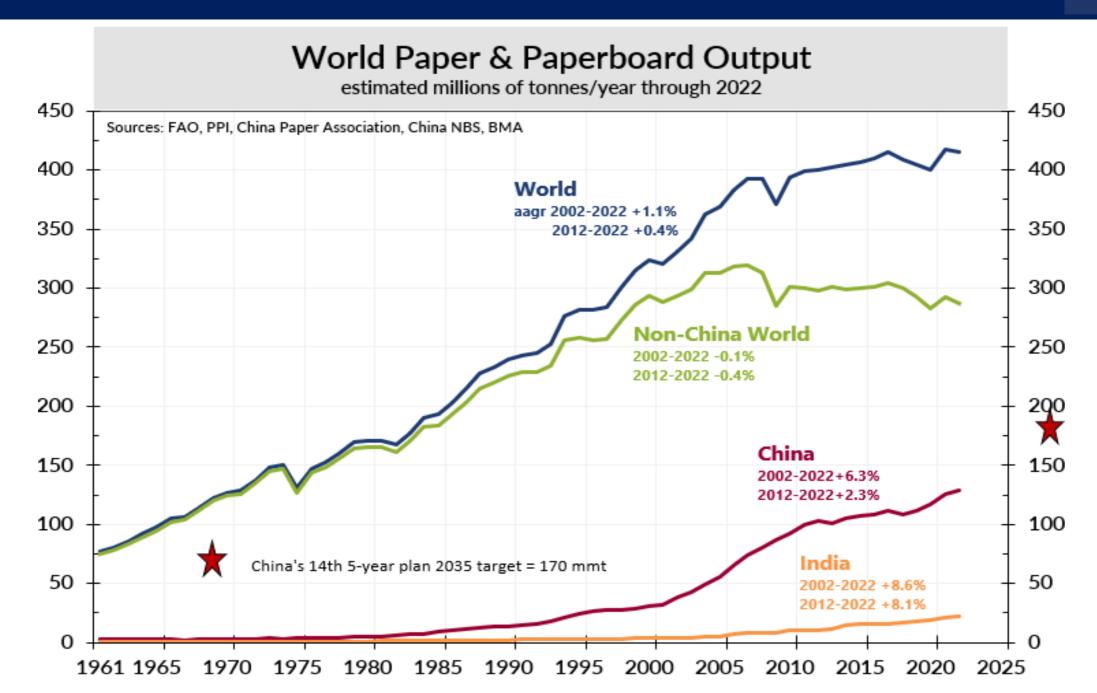


- 90% exported, 60% by sea
- US\$ pricing
- Most freely traded forest product
- Supply-shock driven business



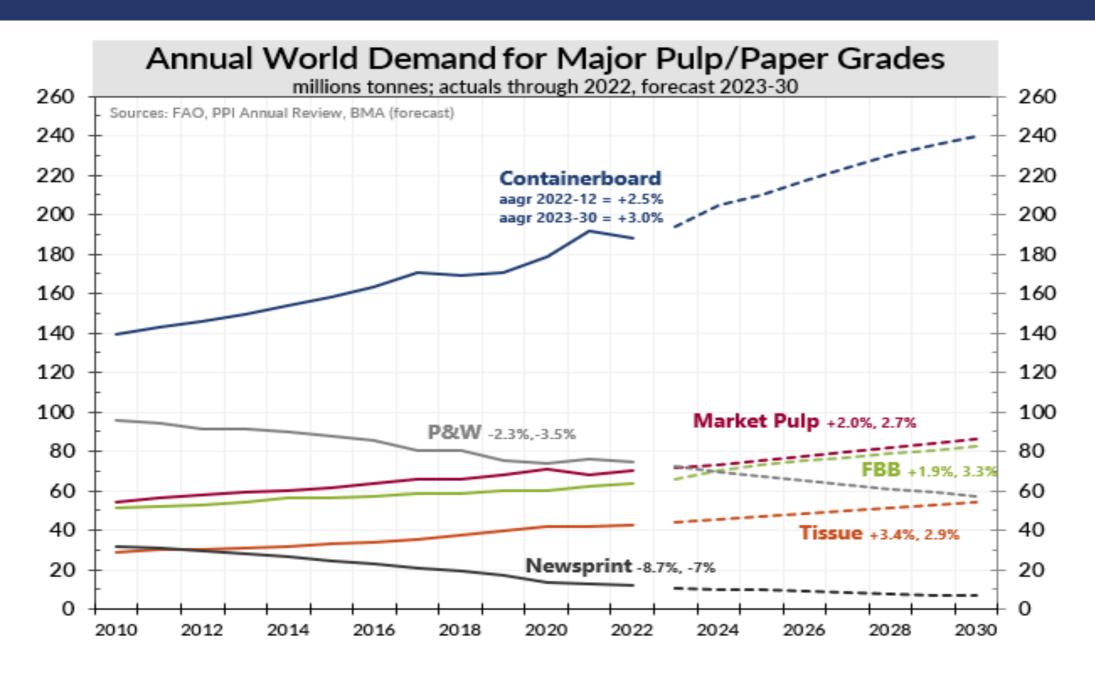
#### Paper still a growth business but grade mix changing





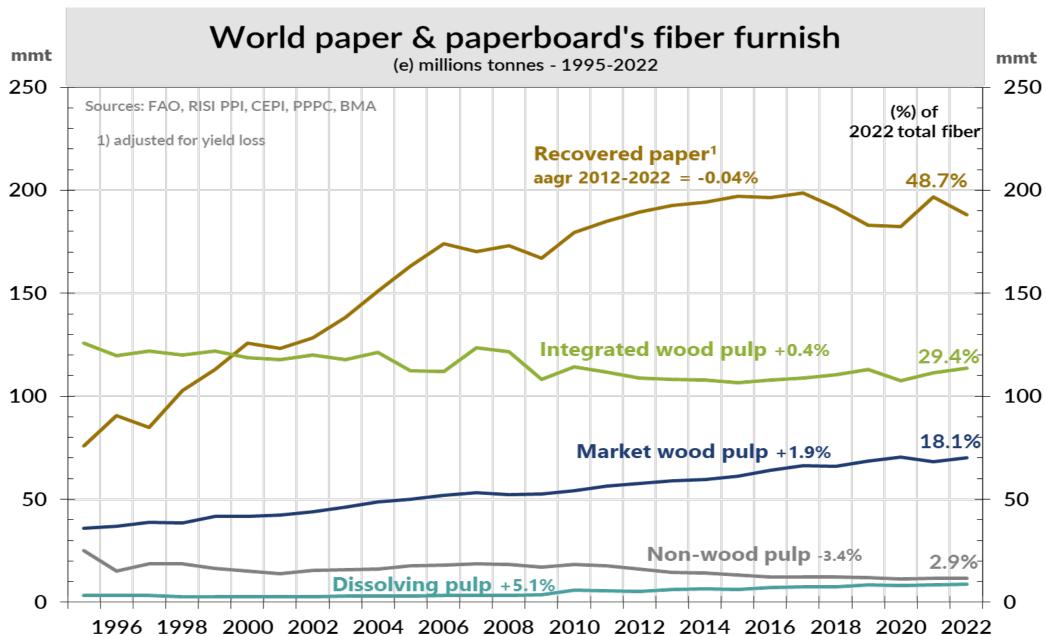
#### More brown packaging, more tissue, less print





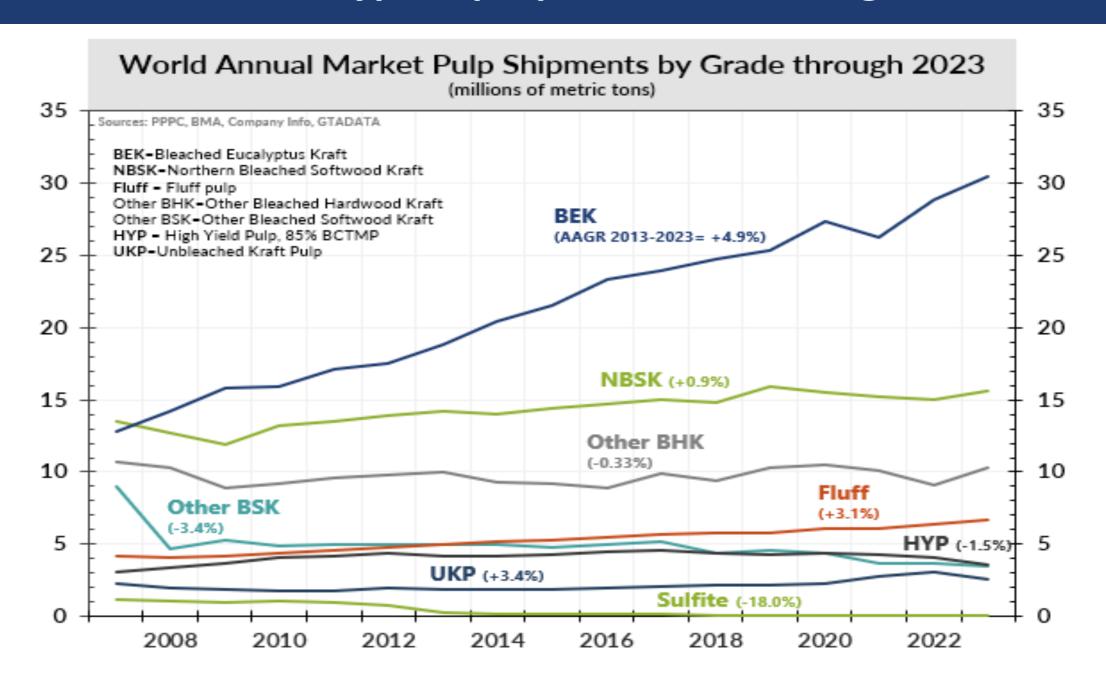
#### Graphic paper = ~25% of global recovered paper supply





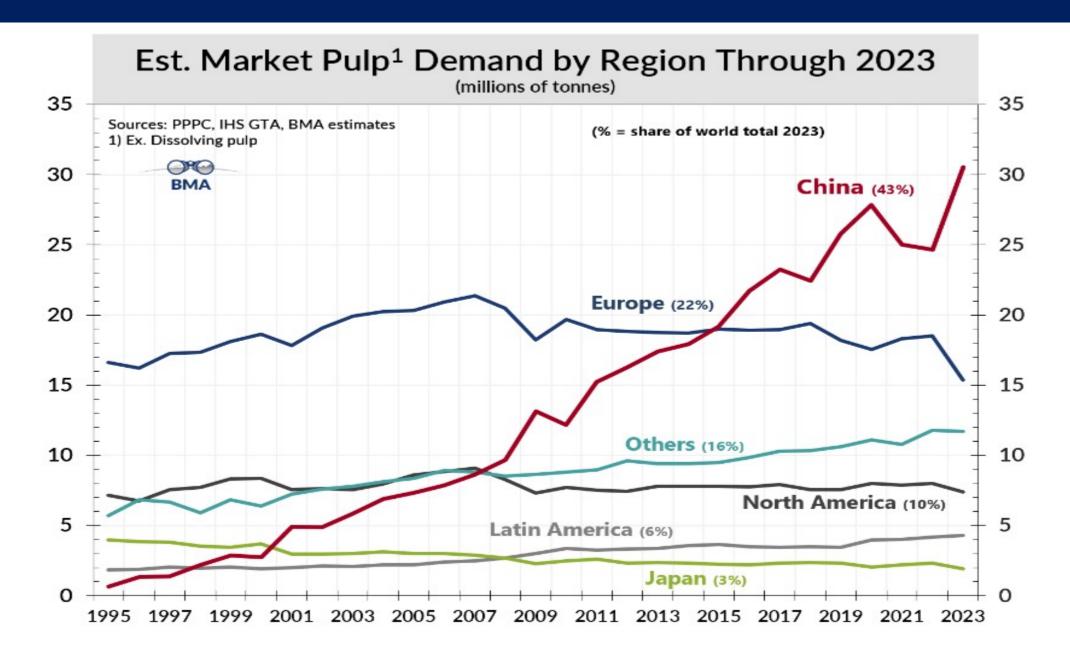
Source: BMA TTO

#### Plantation-based Eucalyptus pulp now the main grade



#### China is biggest buyer – but riskiest





## Tissue paper now biggest end-use for market pulp

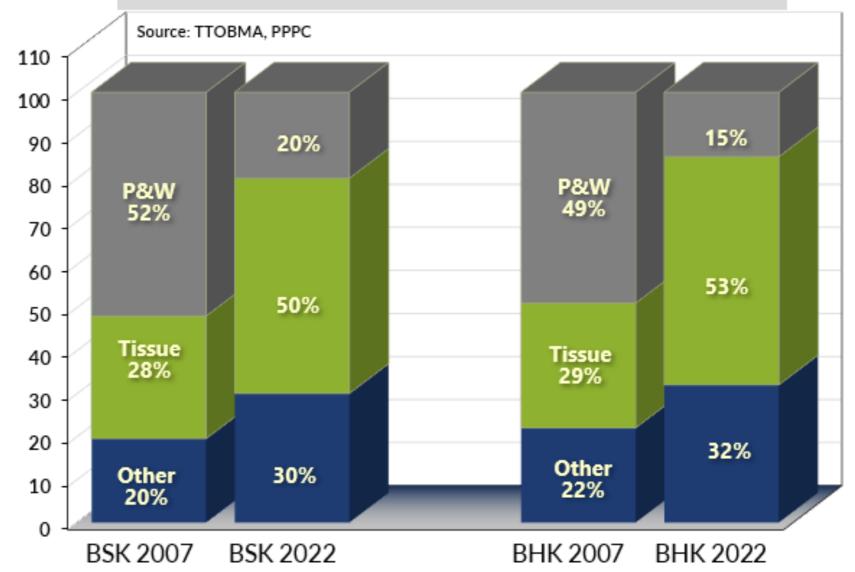




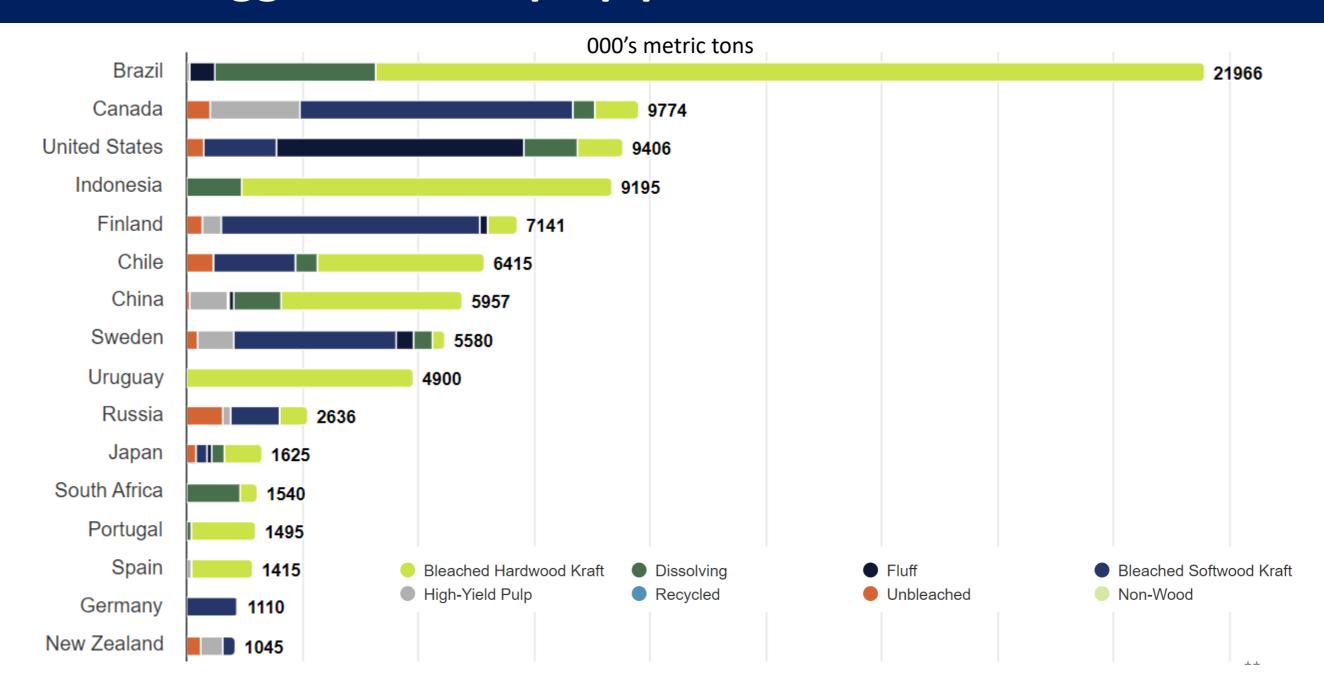




#### World end-uses for BSK & BHK - 2022 & 2007 (e)

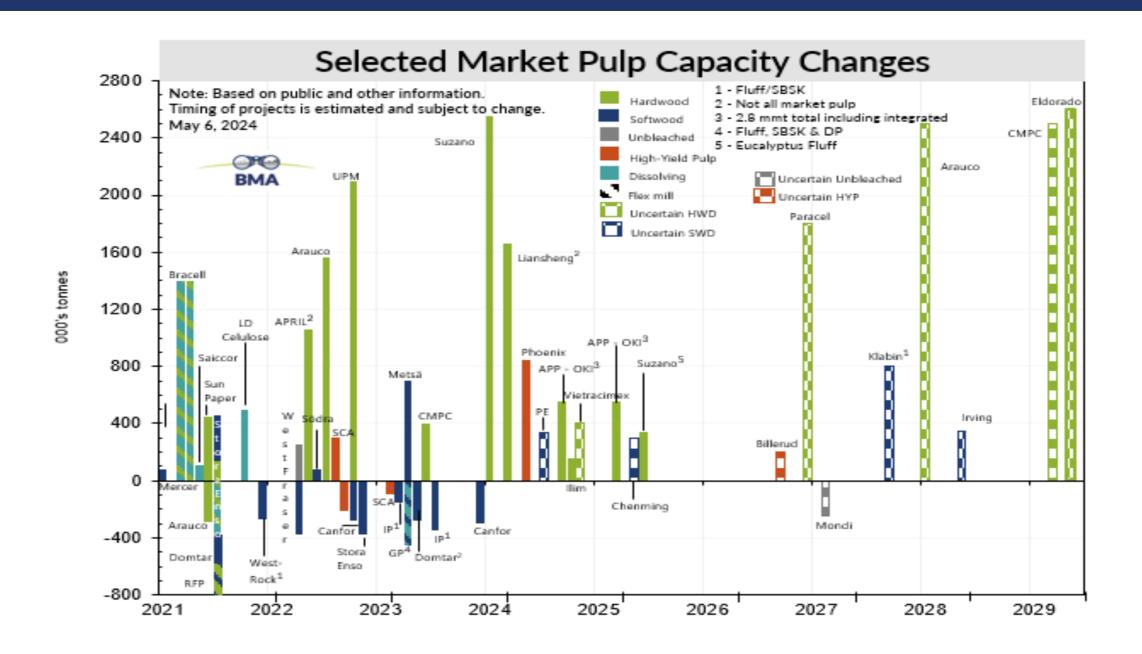


## Brazil is biggest market pulp producer



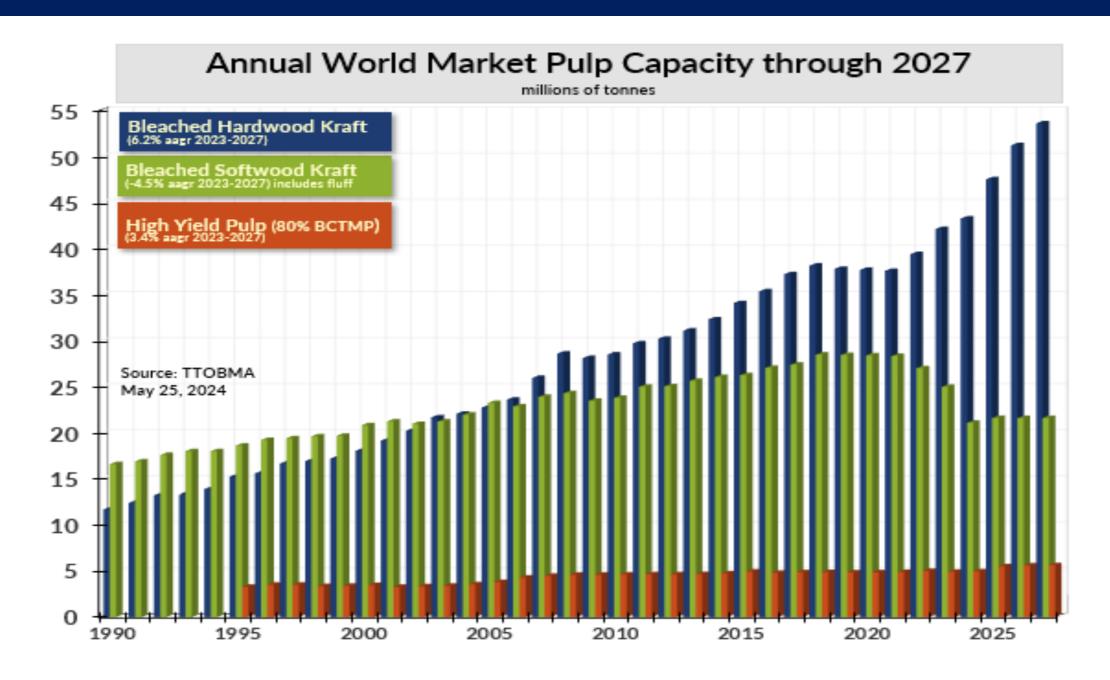
#### World NBSK capacity has peaked, much more BEK coming



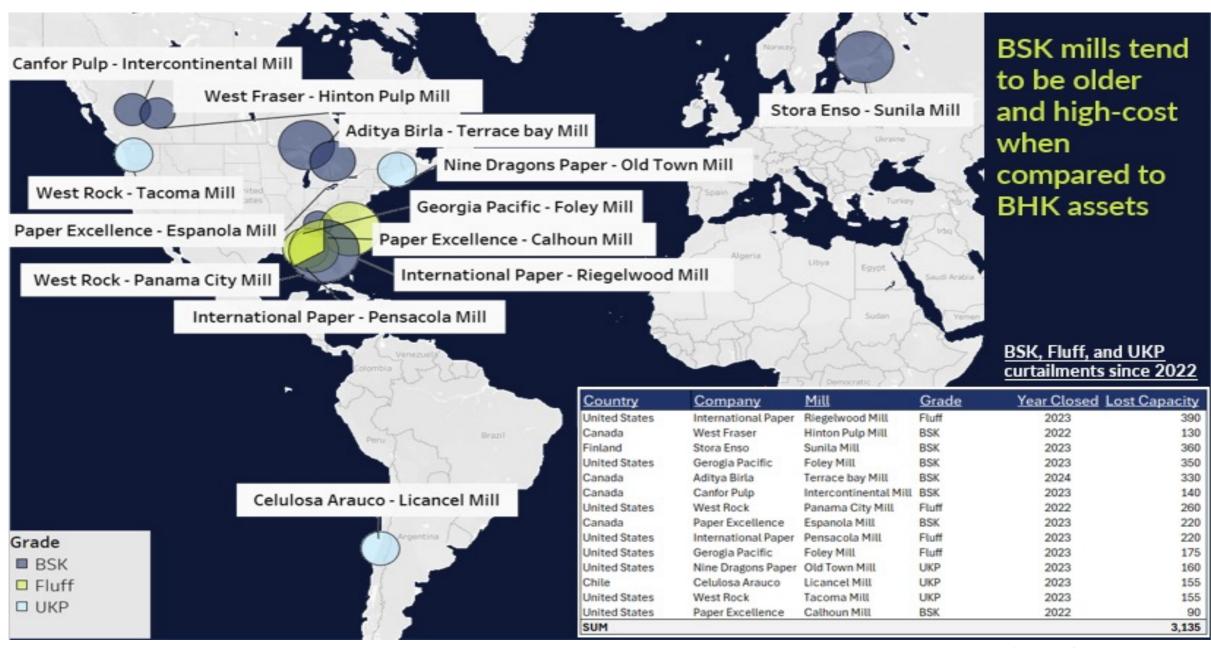


#### Bleached NBSK capacity has peaked





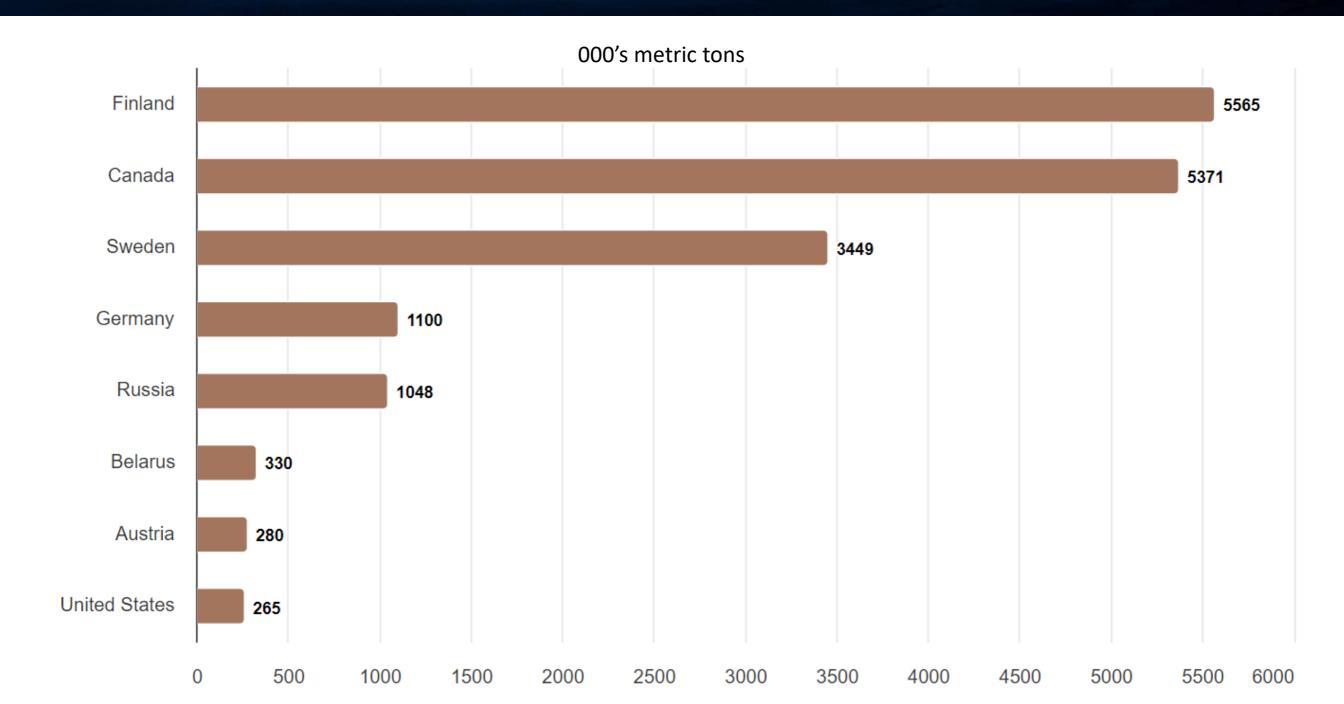
#### BSK: 3 million tonnes closed last 2 years, more likely



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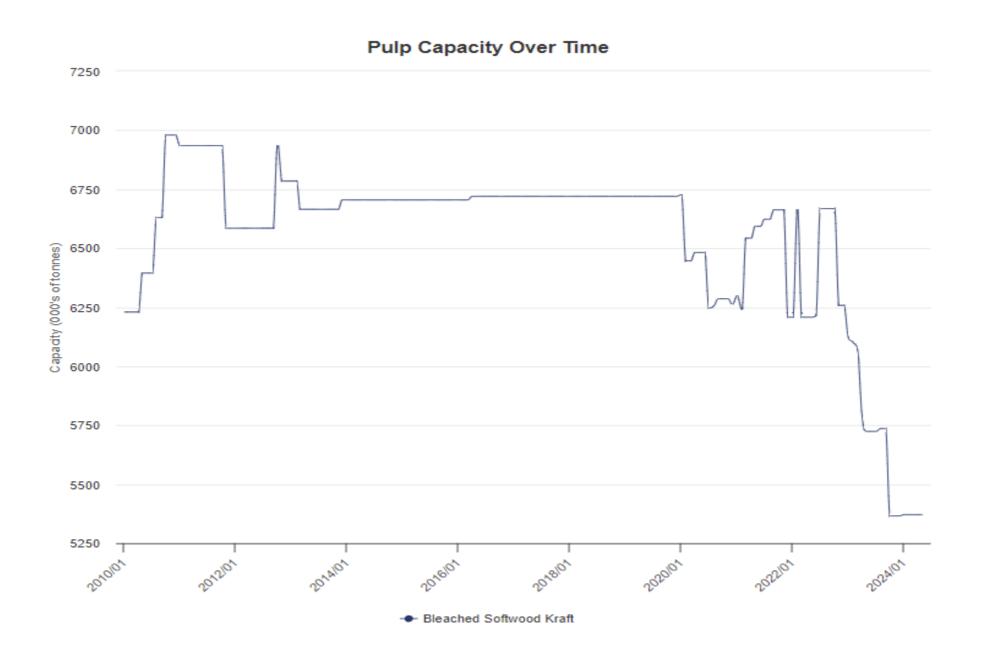
## Canada no longer world's biggest NBSK producer





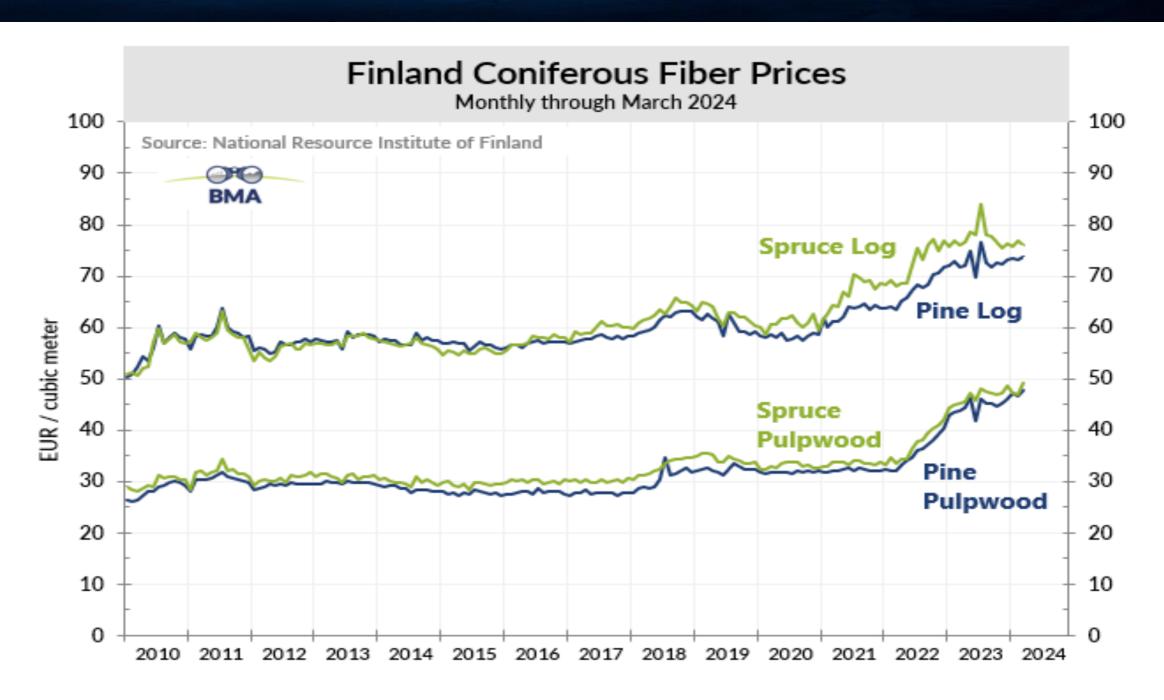
#### Many Canada NBSK capacity closures/conversions last 2 years





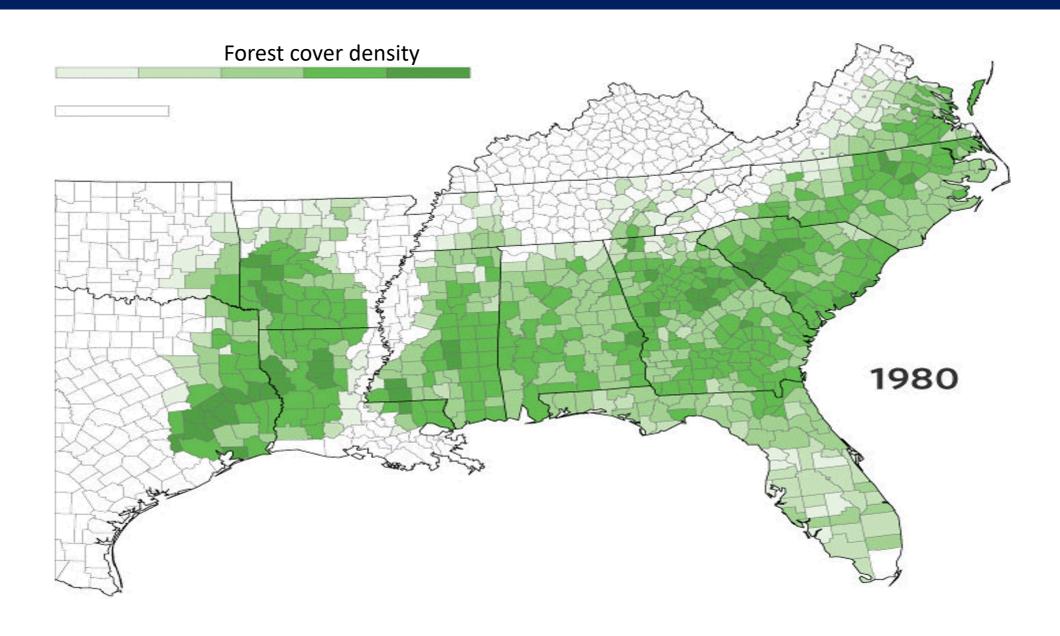
#### Finland's wood costs up 50+% since Ukraine War





## Most recent new BSK pulp mill in US South – 1985





#### Increasing demand/policies for a less-plastics world



More plastic than fish by weight in the world's oceans by 2050

Ellen MacArthur Foundation.

## Microplastics found in human blood for first time

Exclusive: The discovery shows the particles can travel around the body and may lodge in organs

#### U.S. Recycles 5% of Plastic Waste, Studies Show

Plastics use has increased, but recycling infrastructure, technology and education haven't kept pace, say environmental and waste-management experts

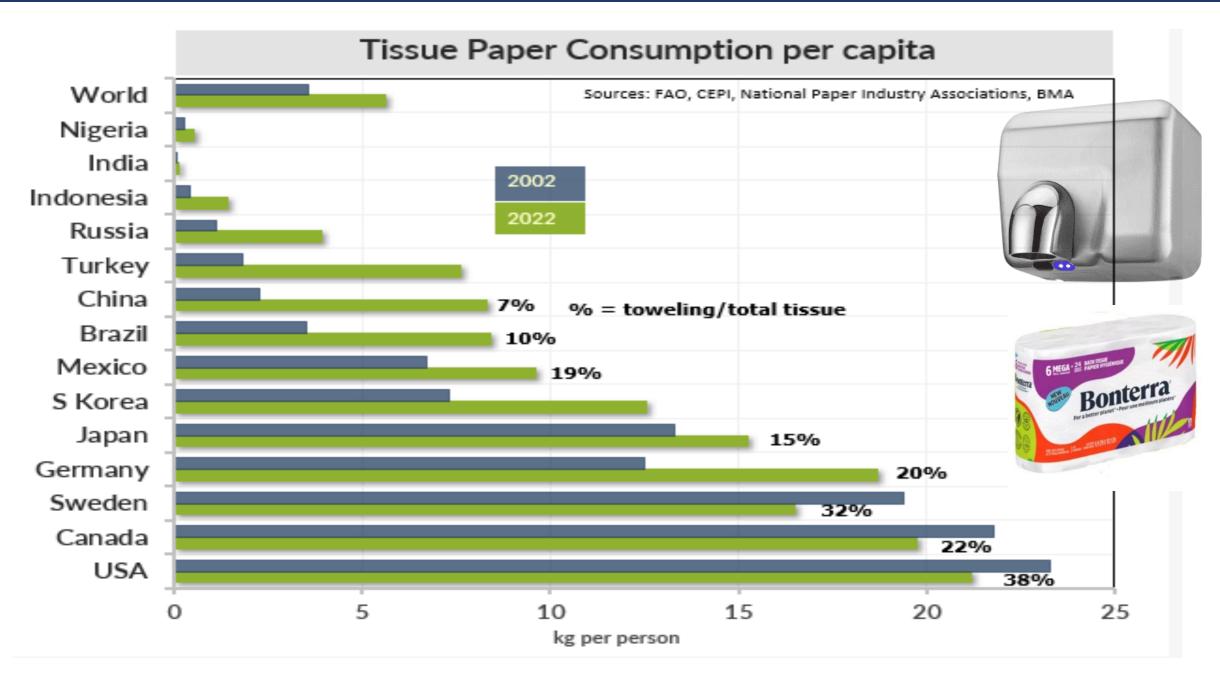
#### Exxon Subpoenaed in California's Probe of Plastics Makers

State attorney general is investigating petrochemical companies, accusing them of overstating the role of recycling in reducing plastic pollution

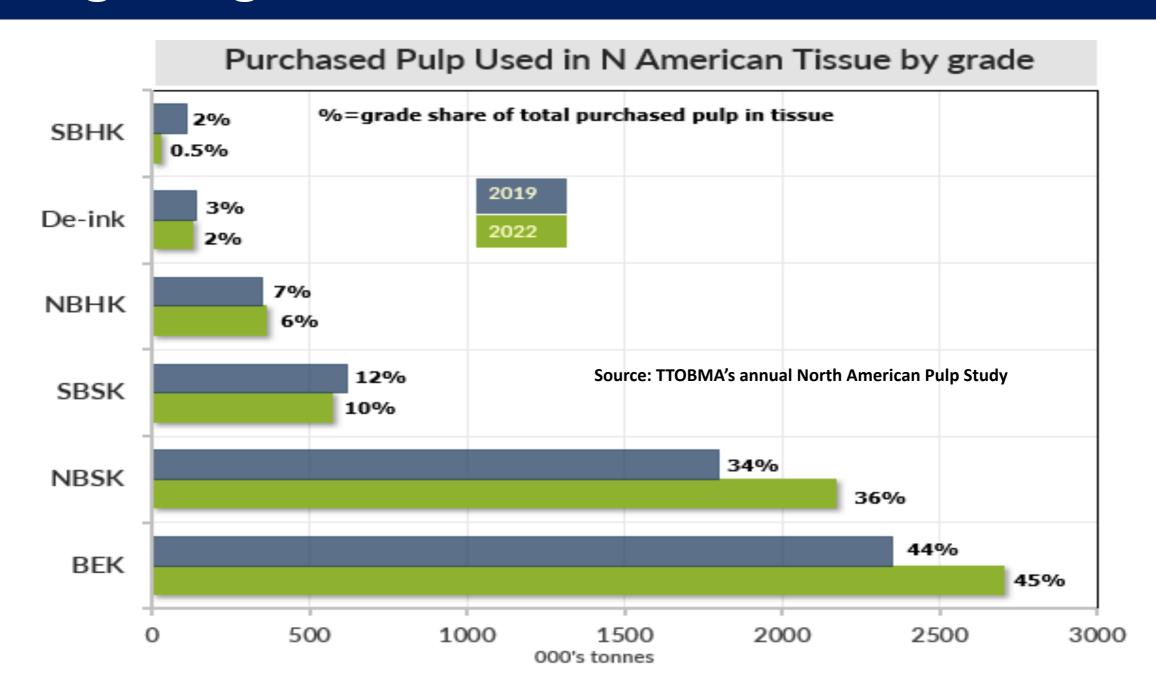
160 United Nations countries negotiating global agreement to reduce plastics pollution by end-2024

#### World tissue demand growth 3%/y through 2030

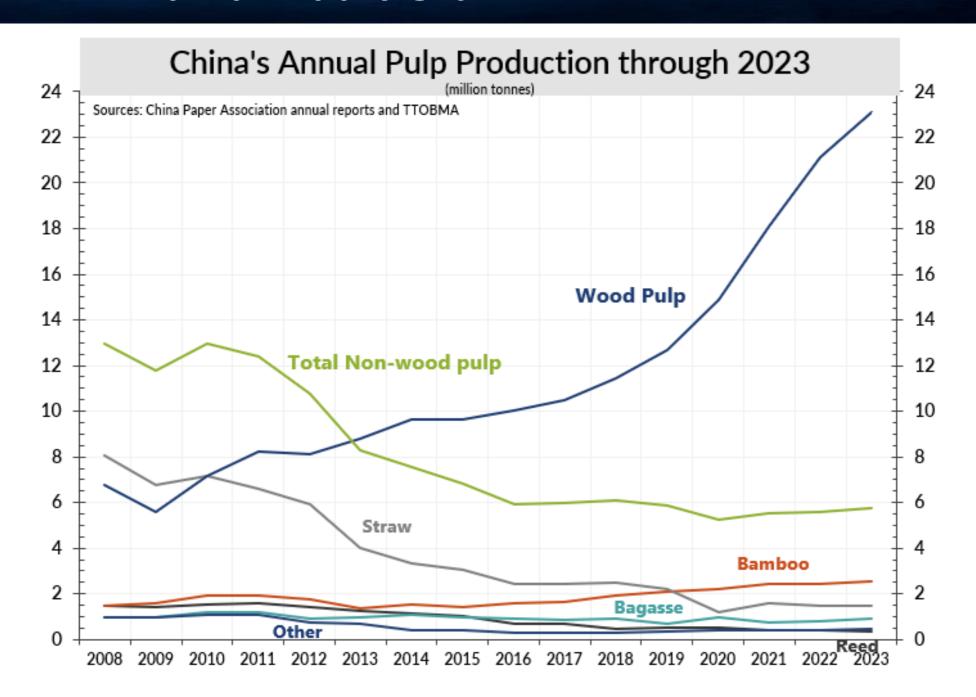




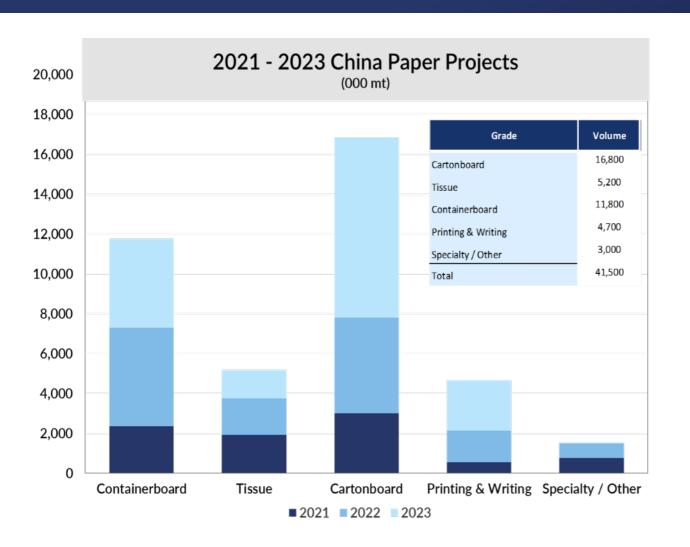
## NBSK gaining share of N American tissue furnish

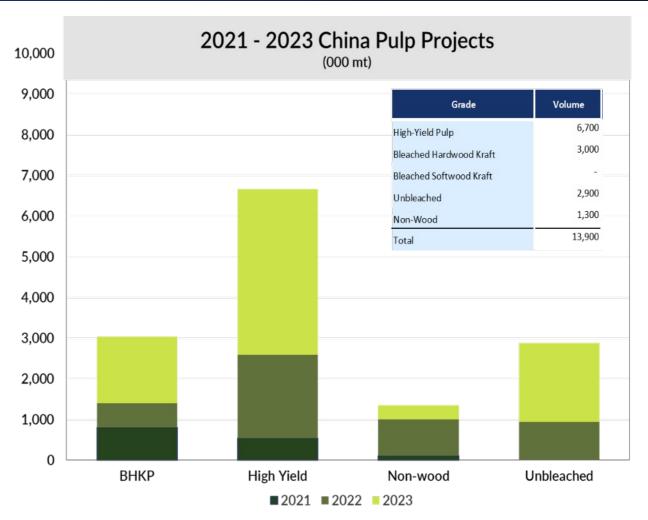


#### Post-2030 wood pulp supply gap. A Bamboo boom?



#### Since 2020, China + 40 MM mt paper capacity, +13 MM mt of pulp capacity





## China's paper & board exports up almost 100% since 2021

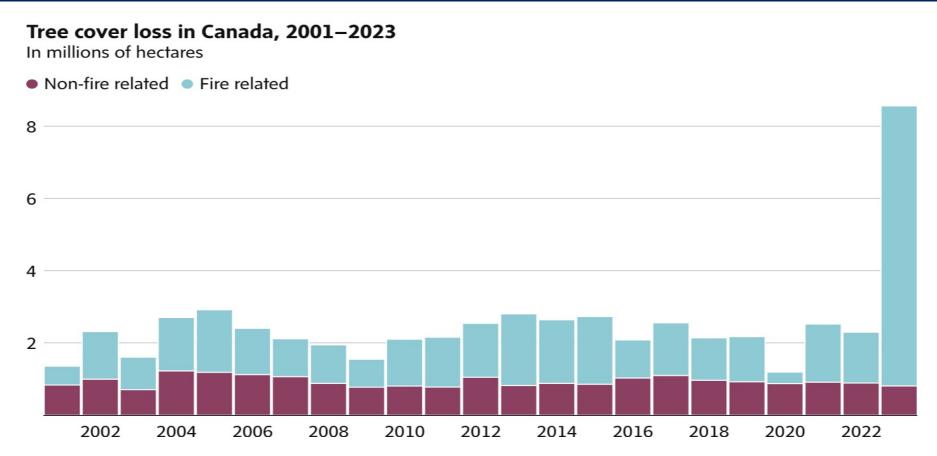
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Source: TTOBMA, Various Sources

#### Post-2030 wood pulp supply gap. A Bamboo boom?

- 1. Limited locations for new world-scale wood pulp mills.
- 2. Extended cycles of high pulp prices 2028+
- 3. = more investment interest in non-wood pulp, especially Bamboo.
- 4. Bamboo pulp fiber length close to NBSK, 2.5 times longer than BEK
- 5. Smaller scale, more local supply chains, less ocean logistics risk
- 6. Still technical challenges avoids coming deforestation regulations (EUDR)
- 7. Connects with Green consumers, especially Gen Z (1997-2012) & Gen Alpha (2013+)
- 8. China government's new Bamboo promotion policy

## Canada – forest fires / USA Hurricanes

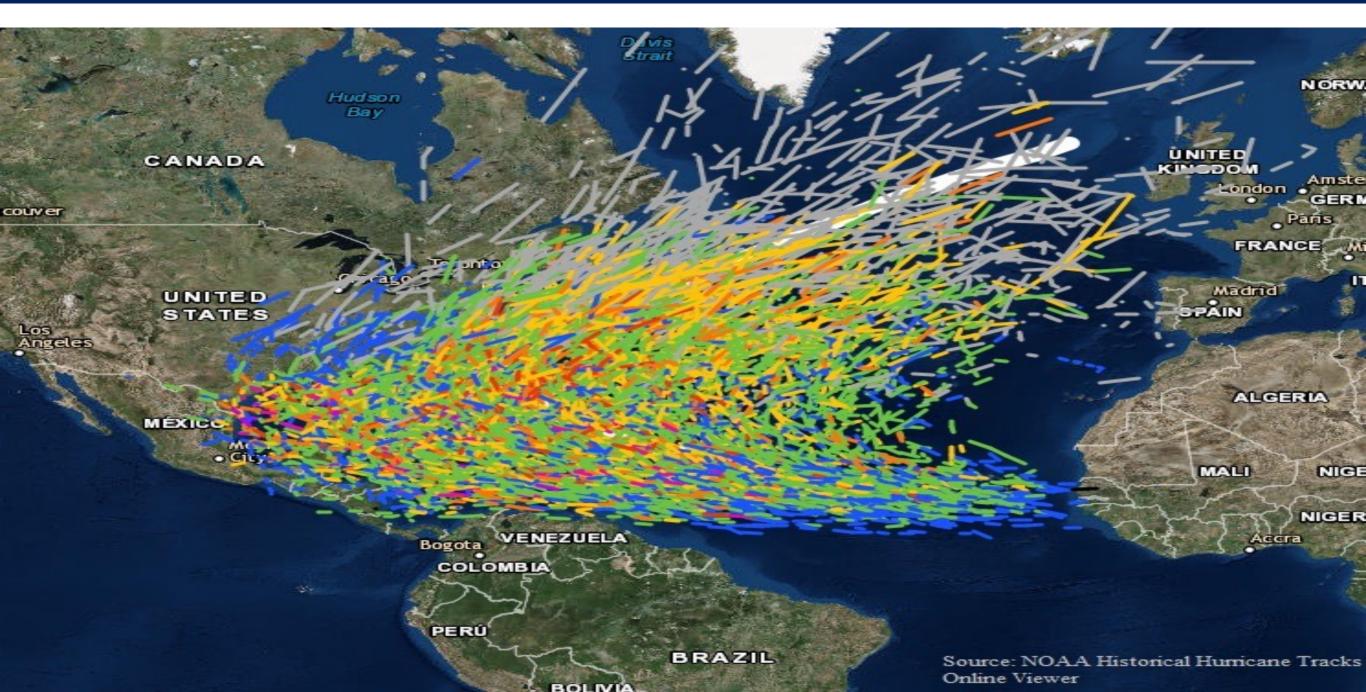


# 2024 Atlantic hurricane forecast shows explosive potential

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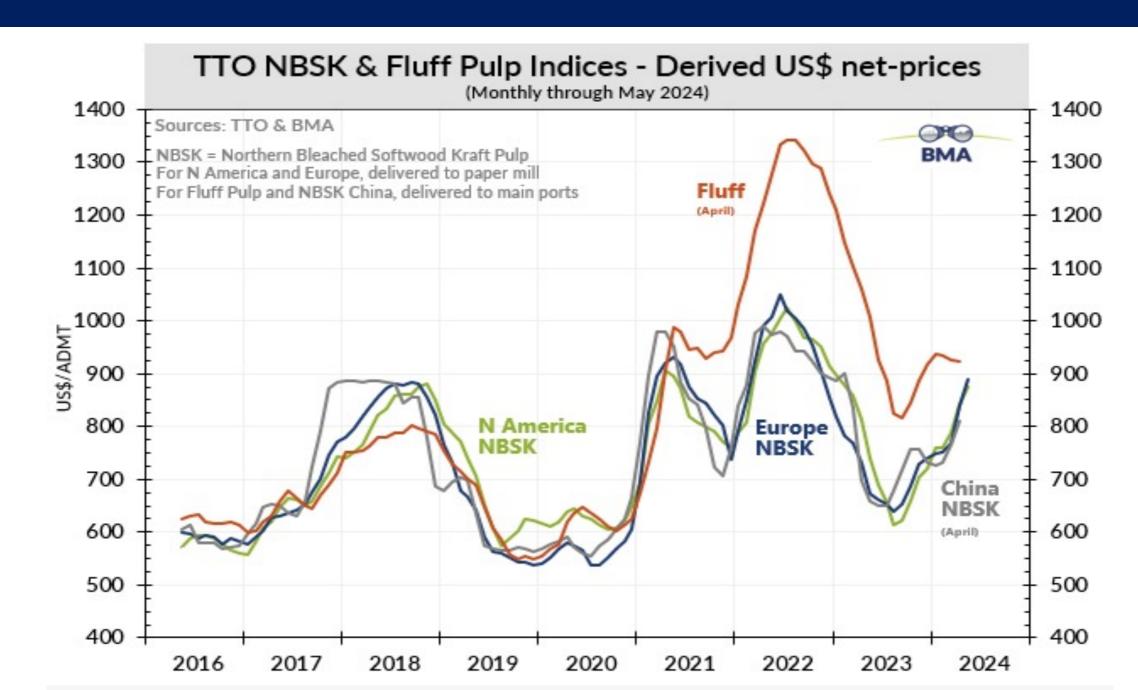
#### 2024 could be a record Atlantic Hurricane year





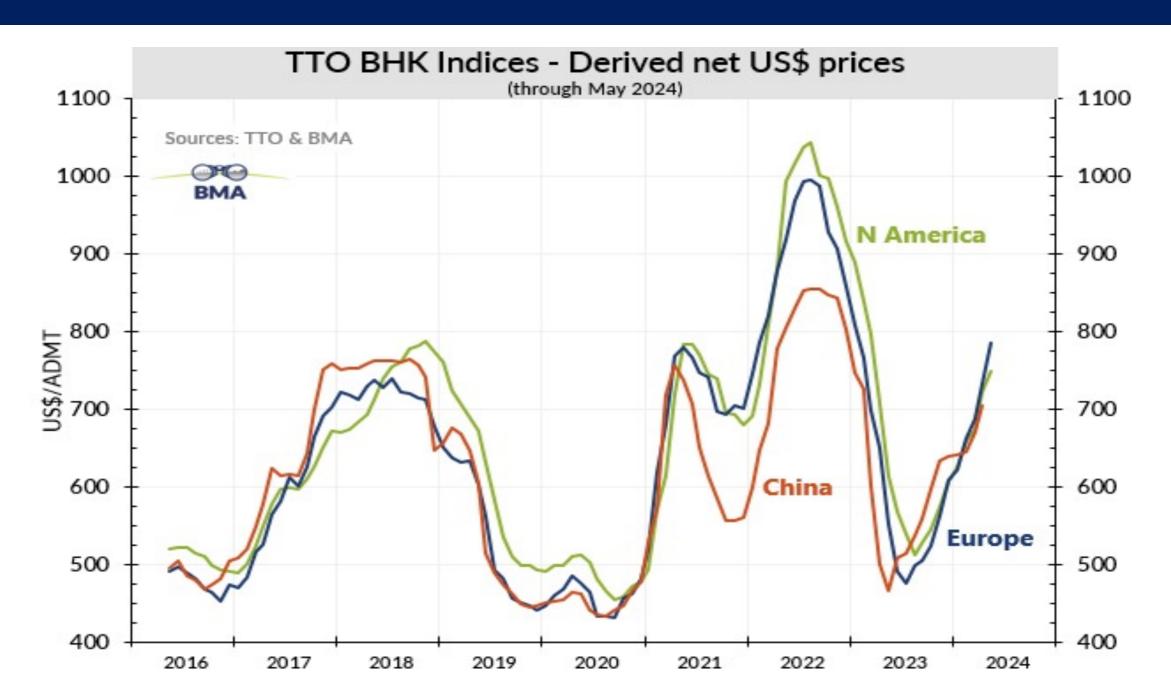
#### Prices up since mid-2023: strong China buying, less supply



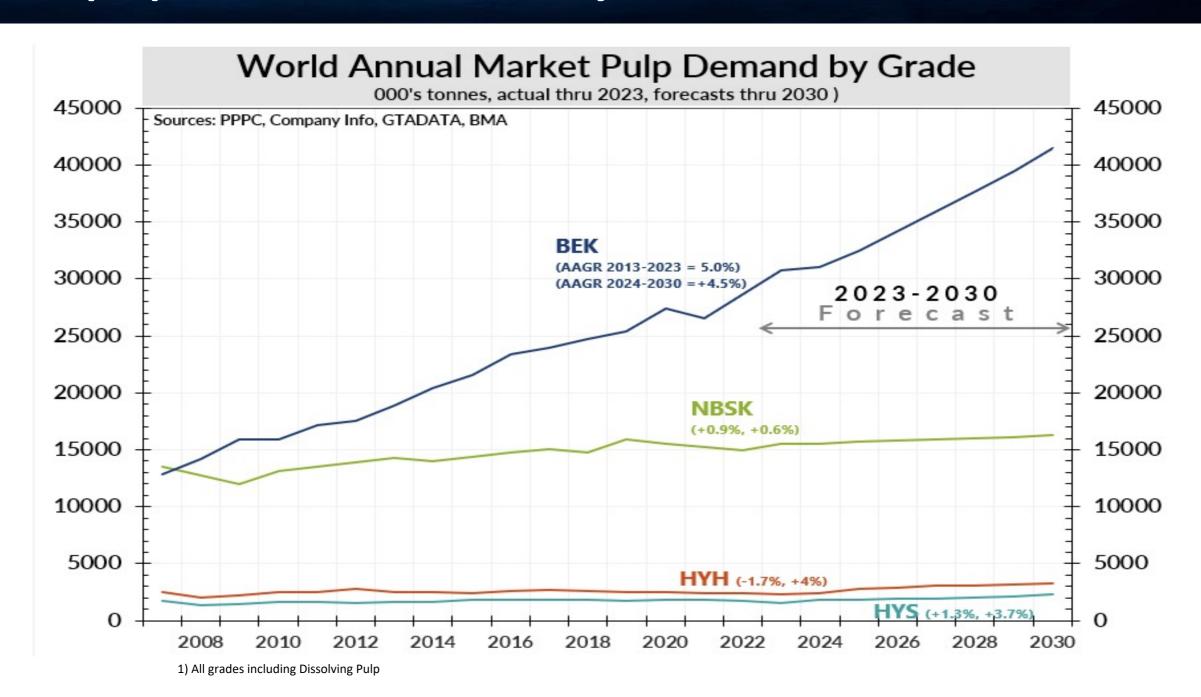


#### More BHK replacement of BSK, unplanned BHK downtime



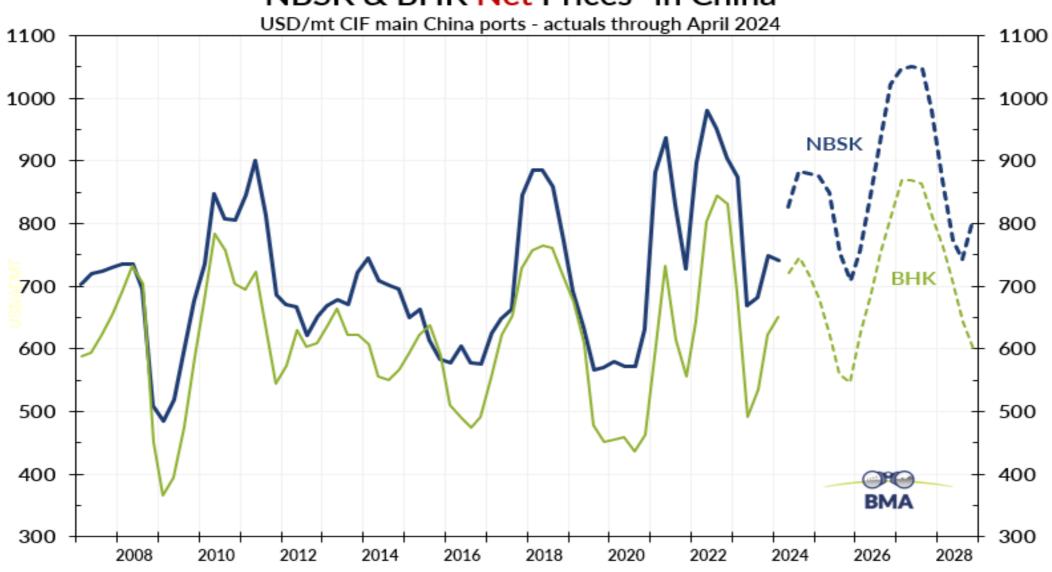


#### Market pulp demand<sup>1</sup> 100 mmt by 2030; +20 mmt vs. 2023



#### Prices up next few months, NBSK premium v. BEK will rise





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