APPENDIX 4

Conversion Factors for Leaf Area to Biomass

Conversion factors used to estimate leaf biomass (g) from leaf area (m²) for individual species are shown in Table 13. Values are based on averages from numerous unpublished field studies.

Table 13.—Conversion factors to estimate leaf biomass from leaf area, by species

Species	g/m ²	Species	g/m ²
<i>Abies balsamea</i>	104.17	<i>Betula species</i>	62.50
<i>Abies lasiocarpa</i>	217.39	<i>Bischofia polycarpa</i>	178.57
<i>Acacia aneura</i>	476.19	<i>Brachychiton populneus</i>	87.53
<i>Acacia melanoxylon</i>	161.94	<i>Broussonetia papyrifera</i>	57.47
<i>Acer buergerianum</i>	123.46	<i>Caesalpinia gilliesii</i>	89.29
<i>Acer mono</i>	37.17	<i>Carpinus caroliniana</i>	60.24
<i>Acer negundo</i>	91.48	<i>Carya alba</i>	57.31
<i>Acer pensylvanicum</i>	32.57	<i>Carya aquatica</i>	232.27
<i>Acer platanoides</i>	53.97	<i>Carya cordiformis</i>	62.86
<i>Acer pseudoplatanus</i>	69.93	<i>Carya glabra</i>	19.06
<i>Acer rubrum</i>	67.34	<i>Carya illinoensis</i>	69.54
<i>Acer saccharinum</i>	52.63	<i>Carya ovata</i>	73.24
<i>Acer saccharum</i>	60.24	<i>Carya pallida</i>	59.88
<i>Aesculus californica</i>	88.11	<i>Carya species</i>	56.26
<i>Aesculus flava</i>	65.15	<i>Cassia nemophila</i>	259.74
<i>Aesculus hippocastanum</i>	69.93	<i>Castanea dentata</i>	45.66
<i>Albizia julibrissin</i>	43.48	<i>Castanea pumila</i>	150.86
<i>Alnus incana ssp. Rugosa</i>	85.84	<i>Catalpa bignonioides</i>	53.33
<i>Alnus rhombifolia</i>	87.72	<i>Catalpa species</i>	70.92
<i>Alnus species</i>	55.25	<i>Celtis laevigata</i>	67.99
<i>Amelanchier alnifolia</i>	100.00	<i>Celtis occidentalis</i>	52.03
<i>Amelanchier arborea</i>	60.98	<i>Cercis canadensis</i>	64.04
<i>Arecastrum romanzoffianum</i>	183.49	<i>Cercocarpus montanus</i>	123.46
<i>Artemisia tridentata</i>	312.50	<i>Chamaecyparis obtusa</i>	250.00
<i>Asimina triloba</i>	167.76	<i>Chamaedaphne calyculata</i>	84.75
<i>Atriplex canescens</i>	119.05	<i>Cinnamomum camphora</i>	67.57
<i>Atriplex polycarpa</i>	253.16	<i>Citrullus lanatus</i>	85.47
<i>Baccharis pilularis</i>	192.31	<i>Citrus limon</i>	147.06
<i>Betula alleghaniensis</i>	41.41	<i>Citrus sinensis</i>	124.61
<i>Betula nigra</i>	77.51	<i>Cornus alternifolia</i>	66.67
<i>Betula papyrifera</i>	69.93	<i>Cornus florida</i>	58.10

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Table 13.—Continued

Species	g/m ²	Species	g/m ²
<i>Cornus mas</i>	66.23	<i>Lonicera x bella</i>	49.26
<i>Cornus racemosa</i>	47.73	<i>Lycopersicon esculentum</i>	79.21
<i>Cornus sericea</i>	57.22	<i>Lysiloma watsonii</i>	105.82
<i>Corylus cornuta</i>	69.44	<i>Maclura pomifera</i>	100.53
<i>Crataegus marshallii</i>	245.23	<i>Magnolia acuminata</i>	32.79
<i>Crataegus monogyna</i>	125.79	<i>Magnolia grandiflora</i>	135.04
<i>Crataegus species</i>	35.97	<i>Magnolia virginiana</i>	142.92
<i>Ericameria nauseosa</i>	180.51	<i>Mahonia bealei</i>	86.21
<i>Eucalyptus camaldulensis</i>	138.41	<i>Malus pumila</i>	86.21
<i>Eucalyptus grandis</i>	115.61	<i>Metasequoia glyptostroboides</i>	56.50
<i>Eucalyptus sideroxylon</i>	136.99	<i>Morella cerifera</i>	344.09
<i>Euryops pectinatus</i>	224.72	<i>Morus alba</i>	73.15
<i>Fagus crenata</i>	60.61	<i>Morus rubra</i>	99.32
<i>Fagus grandifolia</i>	42.61	<i>Nerium oleander</i>	148.70
<i>Fraxinus americana</i>	56.82	<i>Nyssa sylvatica</i>	34.59
<i>Fraxinus excelsior</i>	106.38	<i>Osmanthus fragrans</i>	86.96
<i>Fraxinus nigra</i>	59.52	<i>Ostrya virginiana</i>	65.28
<i>Fraxinus pennsylvanica</i>	65.22	<i>Oxydendrum arboreum</i>	30.44
<i>Fraxinus species</i>	90.09	<i>Parthenocissus tricuspidata</i>	49.18
<i>Garrya flavescens</i>	217.39	<i>Photinia serratifolia</i>	102.04
<i>Ginkgo biloba</i>	44.09	<i>Picea abies</i>	166.67
<i>Gleditsia triacanthos</i>	104.71	<i>Picea abies x asperata</i>	178.57
<i>Gossypium hirsutum</i>	69.32	<i>Picea asperata</i>	99.50
<i>Grevillea robusta</i>	121.58	<i>Picea bicolor</i>	194.17
<i>Hamamelis virginiana</i>	58.82	<i>Picea engelmannii</i>	212.77
<i>Hibiscus rosa-sinensis</i>	85.11	<i>Picea glauca</i>	160.64
<i>Hibiscus syriacus</i>	48.31	<i>Picea glehnii</i>	229.89
<i>Ilex opaca</i>	133.69	<i>Picea jezoensis</i>	487.80
<i>Juglans nigra</i>	80.14	<i>Picea koraiensis</i>	95.24
<i>Juglans regia</i>	42.15	<i>Picea koyamai</i>	204.08
<i>Juniperus species</i>	277.78	<i>Picea mariana</i>	188.68
<i>Kalmia latifolia</i>	120.48	<i>Picea montigena</i>	153.85
<i>Koeleruteria paniculata</i>	80.81	<i>Picea omorika</i>	188.68
<i>Larix laricina</i>	46.30	<i>Pinus banksiana</i>	83.33
<i>Larix leptolepis</i>	64.52	<i>Pinus contorta</i>	192.31
<i>Ledum groenlandicum</i>	107.53	<i>Pinus resinosa</i>	147.06
<i>Ligustrum lucidum</i>	90.91	<i>Pinus strobus</i>	64.31
<i>Liquidambar styraciflua</i>	45.91	<i>Pinus taeda</i>	81.11
<i>Liriodendron tulipifera</i>	58.95	<i>Pistacia chinensis</i>	76.34

Table 13.—Continued

Species	g/m ²	Species	g/m ²
<i>Pistacia vera</i>	155.04	<i>Quercus rubra</i>	79.68
<i>Platanus hybrida</i>	43.67	<i>Quercus stellata</i>	85.11
<i>Platanus occidentalis</i>	48.45	<i>Quercus suber</i>	177.78
<i>Populus alba</i>	86.96	<i>Quercus velutina</i>	70.67
<i>Populus angustifolia</i>	87.72	<i>Quercus virginiana</i>	209.93
<i>Populus balsamifera trichoca</i>	54.05	<i>Quercus wislizeni</i>	148.36
<i>Populus fremontii</i>	86.58	<i>Rhamnus cathartica</i>	44.44
<i>Populus grandidentata</i>	51.02	<i>Rhododendron maximum</i>	200.00
<i>Populus nigra</i>	72.12	<i>Rhus glabra</i>	55.14
<i>Populus species</i>	67.57	<i>Rhus lancea</i>	122.70
<i>Populus tremuloides</i>	78.74	<i>Rhus ovata</i>	320.00
<i>Populus x canadensis</i>	92.42	<i>Rhus species</i>	80.00
<i>Prunus alleghaniensis</i>	212.77	<i>Robinia pseudoacacia</i>	53.84
<i>Prunus cerasifera</i>	60.75	<i>Rosmarinus officinalis</i>	275.86
<i>Prunus dulcis</i>	101.27	<i>Rubus species</i>	37.31
<i>Prunus pensylvanica</i>	48.27	<i>Salix sericea</i>	65.05
<i>Prunus serotina</i>	77.55	<i>Salix species</i>	61.73
<i>Prunus virginiana</i>	77.52	<i>Salvia leucophylla</i>	246.91
<i>Pterocarya stenoptera</i>	80.00	<i>Sassafras albidum</i>	49.18
<i>Pueraria lobata</i>	30.03	<i>Senna artemisioides</i>	186.05
<i>Quercus agrifolia</i>	141.68	<i>Sophora japonica</i>	113.64
<i>Quercus alba</i>	72.74	<i>Sorbus species</i>	79.37
<i>Quercus berberidifolia</i>	149.32	<i>Spartium junceum</i>	291.97
<i>Quercus chrysolepis</i>	168.94	<i>Symphoricarpos occidentalis</i>	55.87
<i>Quercus coccinea</i>	72.87	<i>Syringa vulgaris</i>	96.46
<i>Quercus douglasii</i>	121.41	<i>Thuja occidentalis</i>	192.31
<i>Quercus ellipsoidalis</i>	103.09	<i>Tilia americana</i>	29.20
<i>Quercus engelmannii</i>	151.16	<i>Tilia cordata</i>	74.91
<i>Quercus falcata</i>	77.98	<i>Tilia platyphyllos</i>	59.17
<i>Quercus gambelii</i>	133.33	<i>Tsuga canadensis</i>	92.88
<i>Quercus kelloggii</i>	102.89	<i>Tsuga heterophylla</i>	55.25
<i>Quercus lobata</i>	101.12	<i>Ulmus alata</i>	72.25
<i>Quercus michauxii</i>	60.21	<i>Ulmus americana</i>	72.73
<i>Quercus nigra</i>	94.56	<i>Ulmus parvifolia</i>	113.64
<i>Quercus pagoda</i>	112.82	<i>Ulmus rubra</i>	44.77
<i>Quercus palustris</i>	90.50	<i>Vitex agnus-castus</i>	133.78
<i>Quercus phellos</i>	88.71	<i>Vitis vinifera</i>	66.67
<i>Quercus prinus</i>	78.59	<i>Washingtonia robusta</i>	154.44
<i>Quercus robur</i>	66.58		