

Consumer markets for rosewood: How have China and Vietnam responded to the 2016 CITES listings?



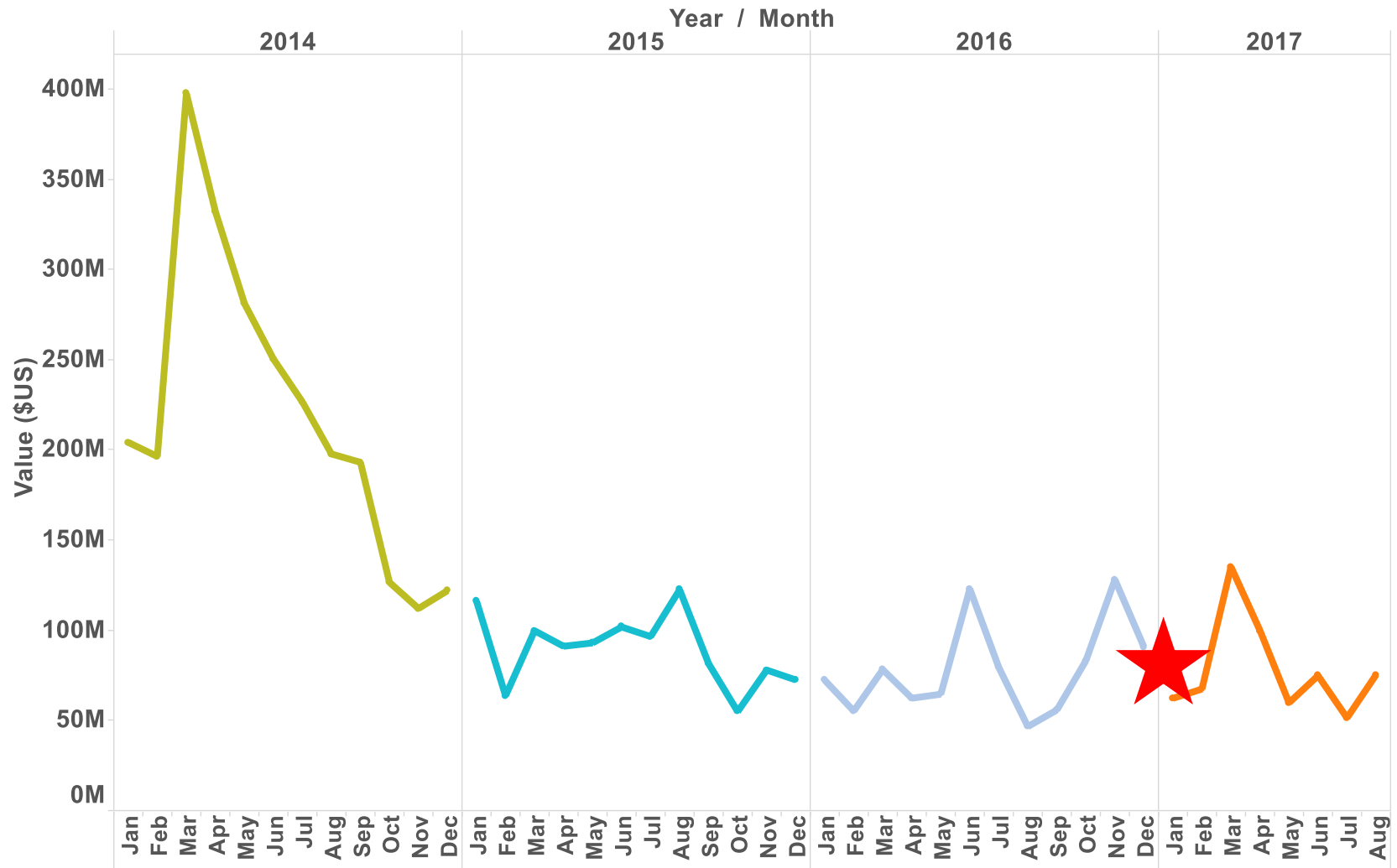
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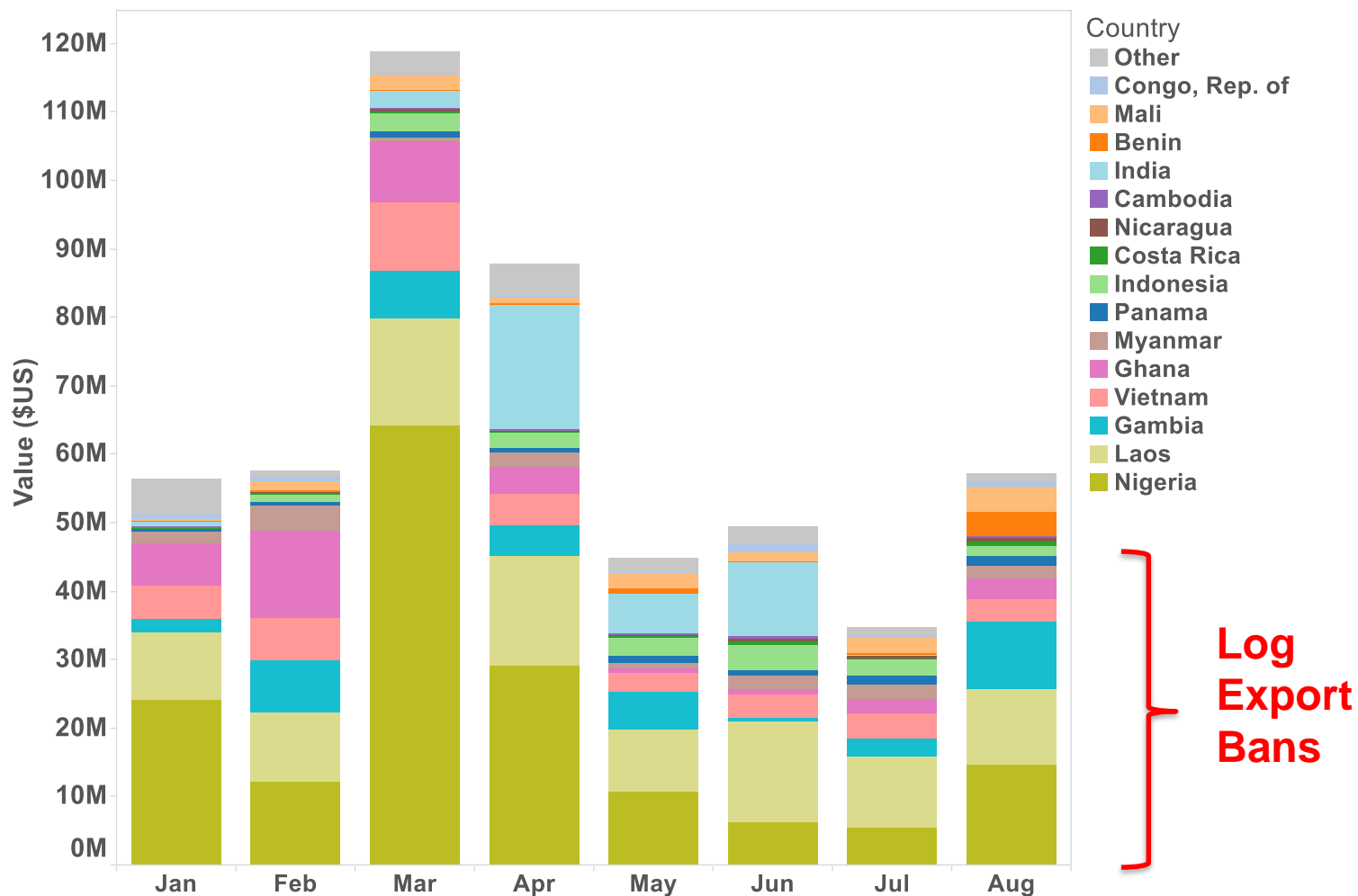


China's imports of *hongmu* logs and sawnwood, January 2014 – August 2017

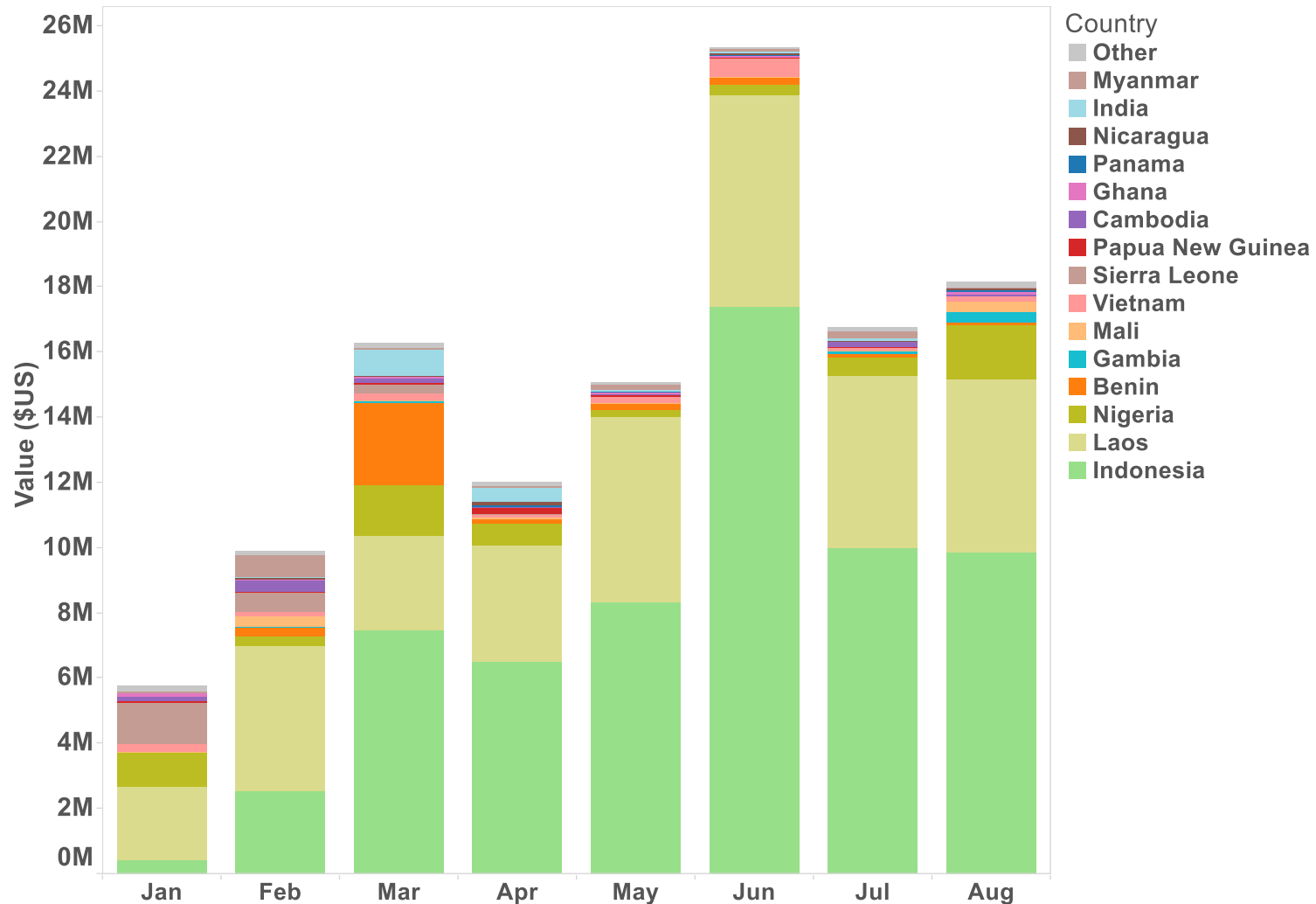


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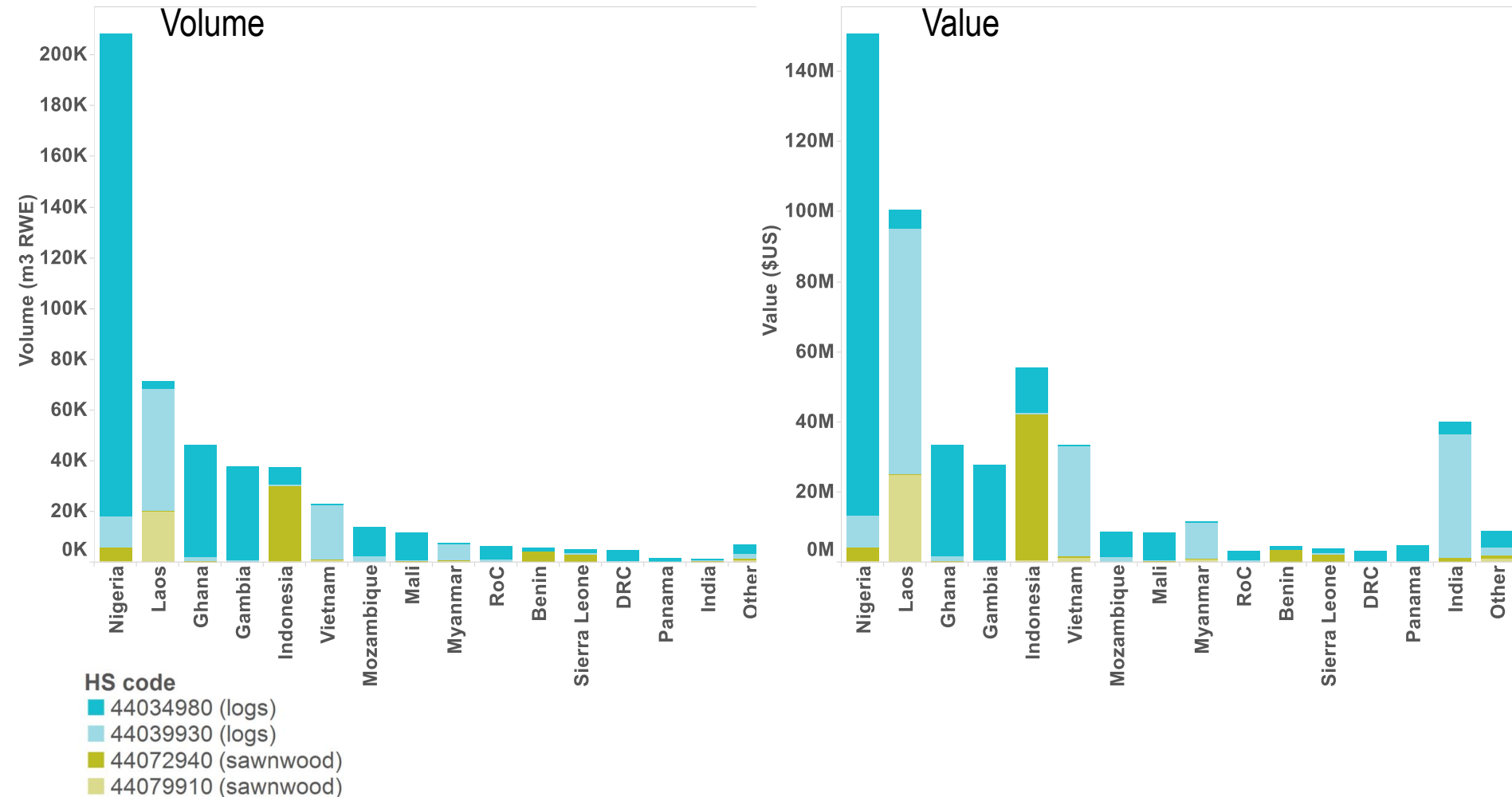
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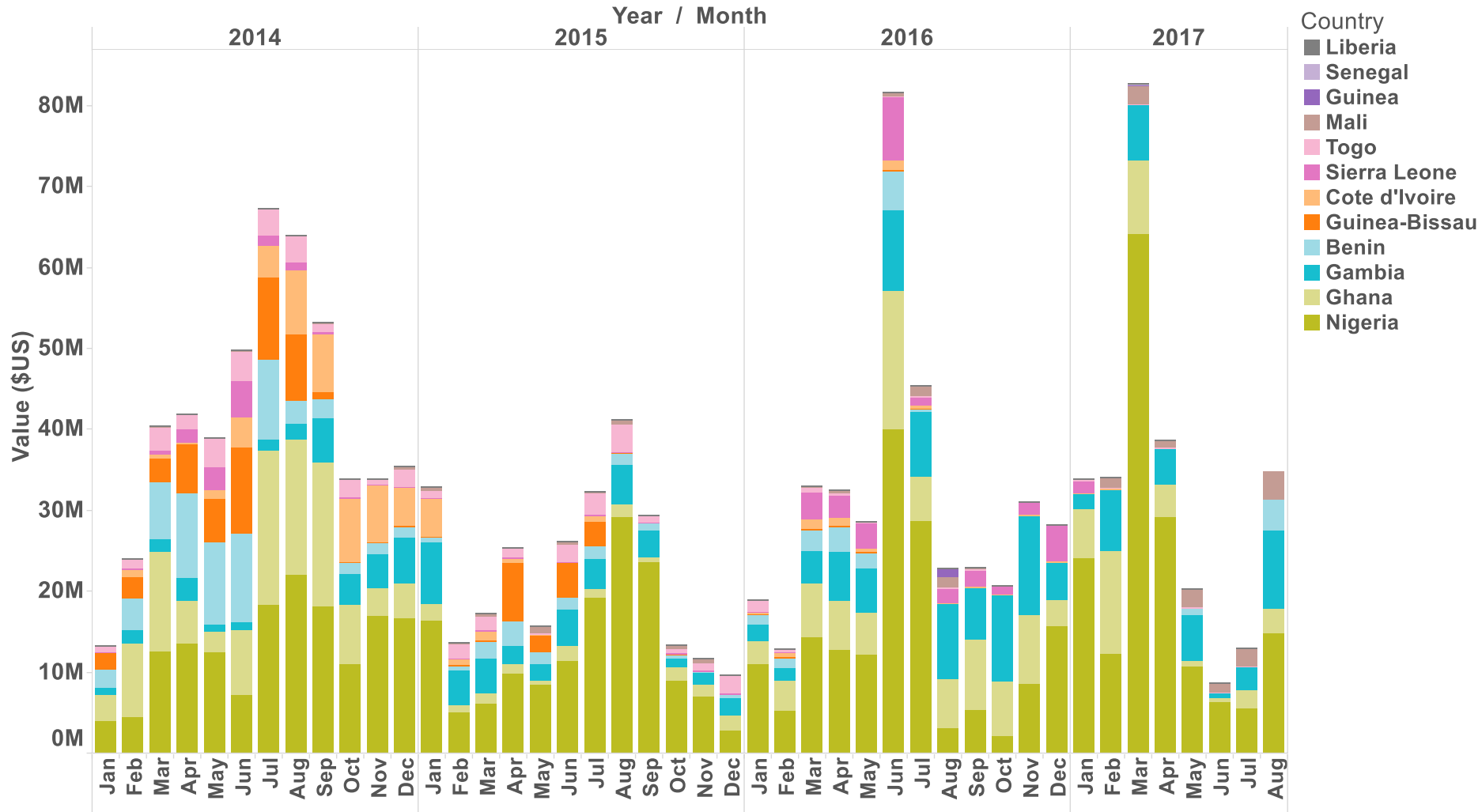


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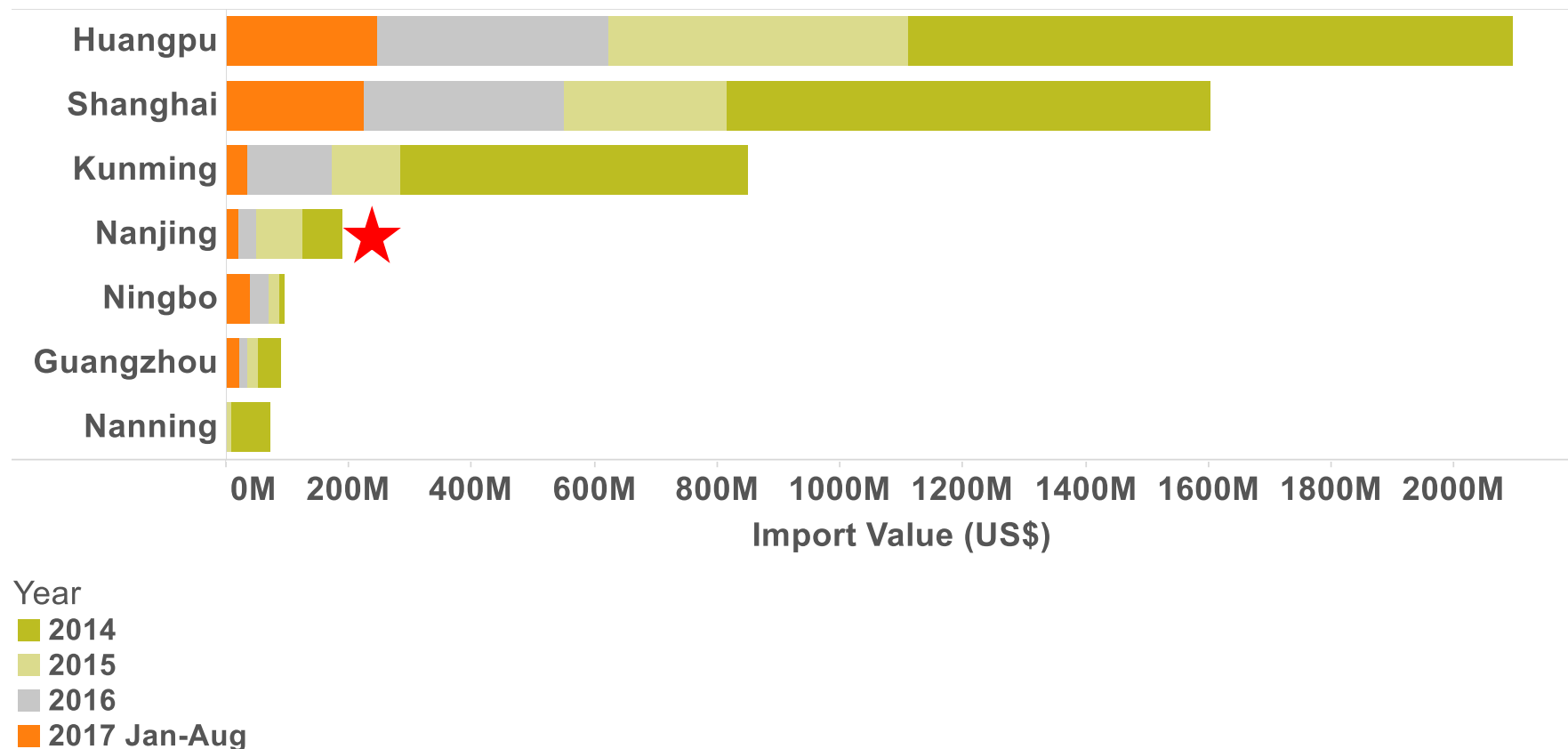


China's imports of *hongmu* logs and sawnwood from West Africa

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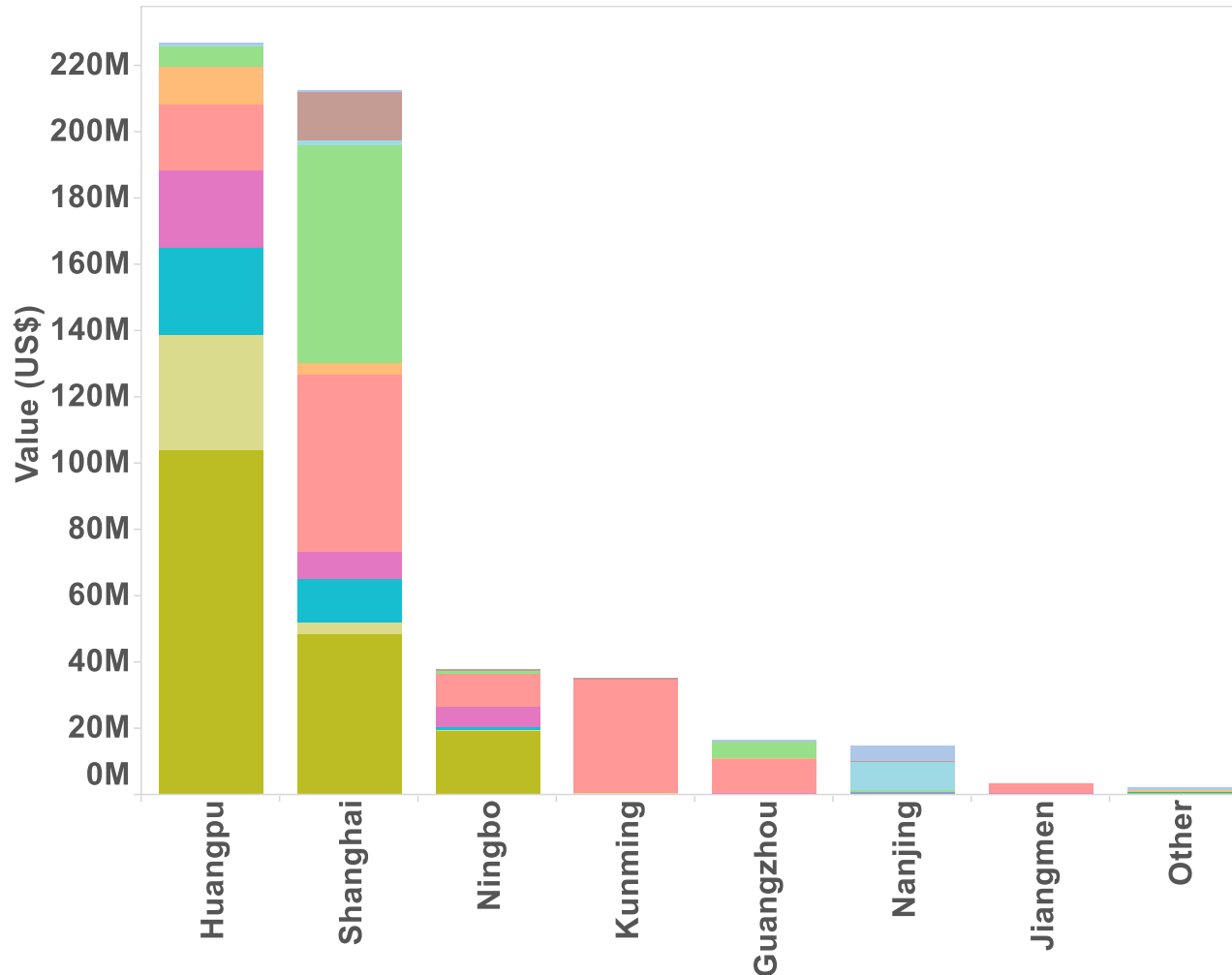


Top Chinese Customs Districts importing *hongmu*, 2014 – August 2017



Top Chinese Customs Districts importing *hongmu* by supplier country

January – August 2017



CITES Enforcement: China



Progress:

- CITES MA response – enforcement is underway (awareness-raising, collaboration with enforcement)
- CAF Wood Research Institute report – commissioned by Customs; collaboration with SAQSIQ)
- Wood ID and quarantine lab established in Zhangjiagang

Challenges:

- Traders slow to react (speculation?)
- Shipments without permits
- Mislabeled
- Capacity of enforcement officials
- Wood ID capacity – other Customs districts?
- Time lag – shipments sent prior to listings taking effect
 - Seizure in Huangpu (Nigerian logs)

Vietnam's import classification system: 8 groups

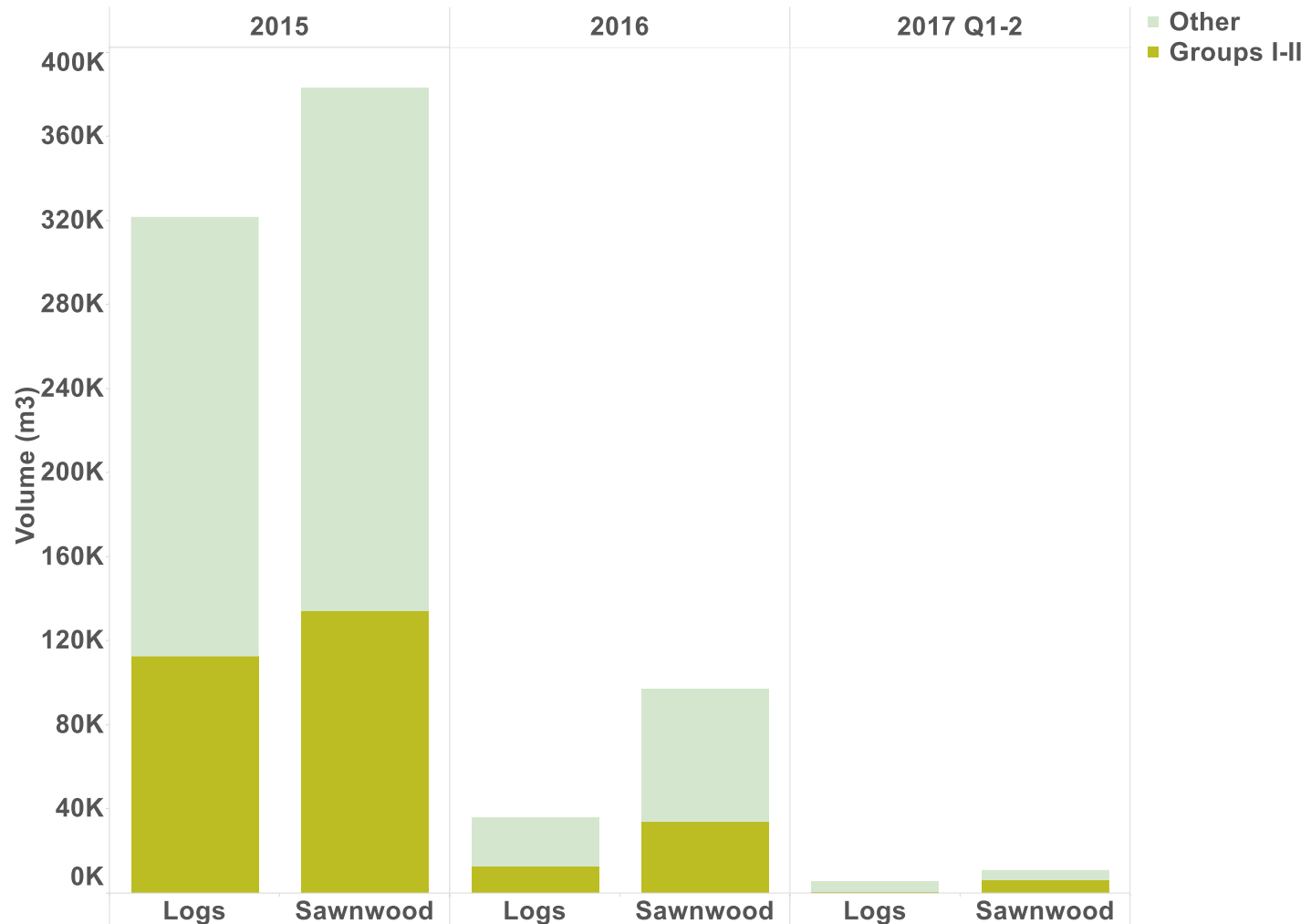


Highest-value species include:

Classification	Species
Group 1 (41 species)	Dalbergia oliveri, bariensis, dongnaiensis, tonkinensis, cochinchinensis, nigra, cambodiana, fusca Pterocarpus pedatus, cambodianus, indicus, macrocarpus Diospyros spp. Sindora spp.
Group 2 (27 species)	Xylia spp. Dipterocarpus spp. Hopea spp.

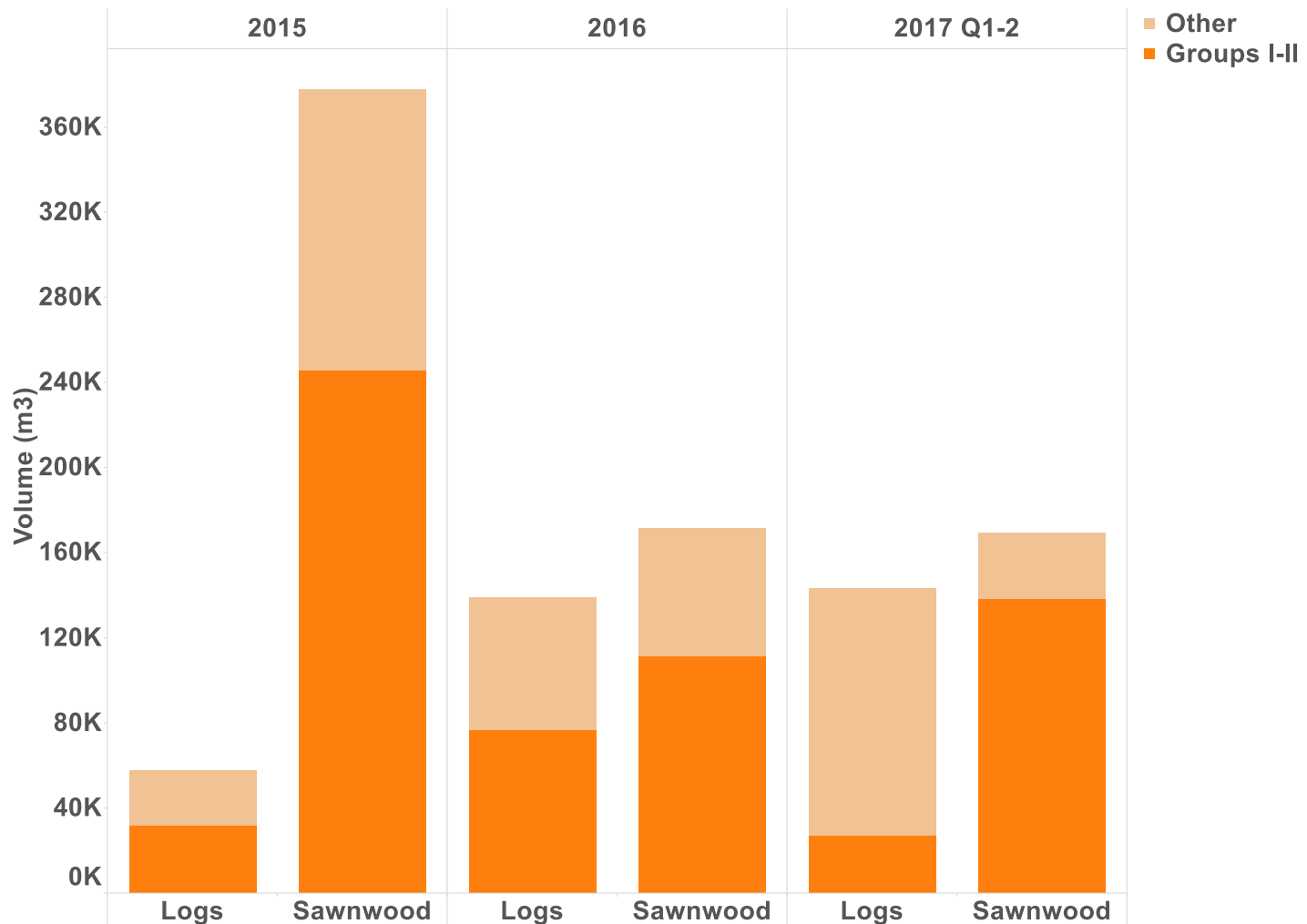
- China: One classification for 33 species
- Vietnam: Hundreds of species classified into 8 groups; no official government designation for rosewood, but Groups 1-2 contain highest-value precious wood species

Vietnam's log and sawnwood imports from Laos, 2015 – June 2017



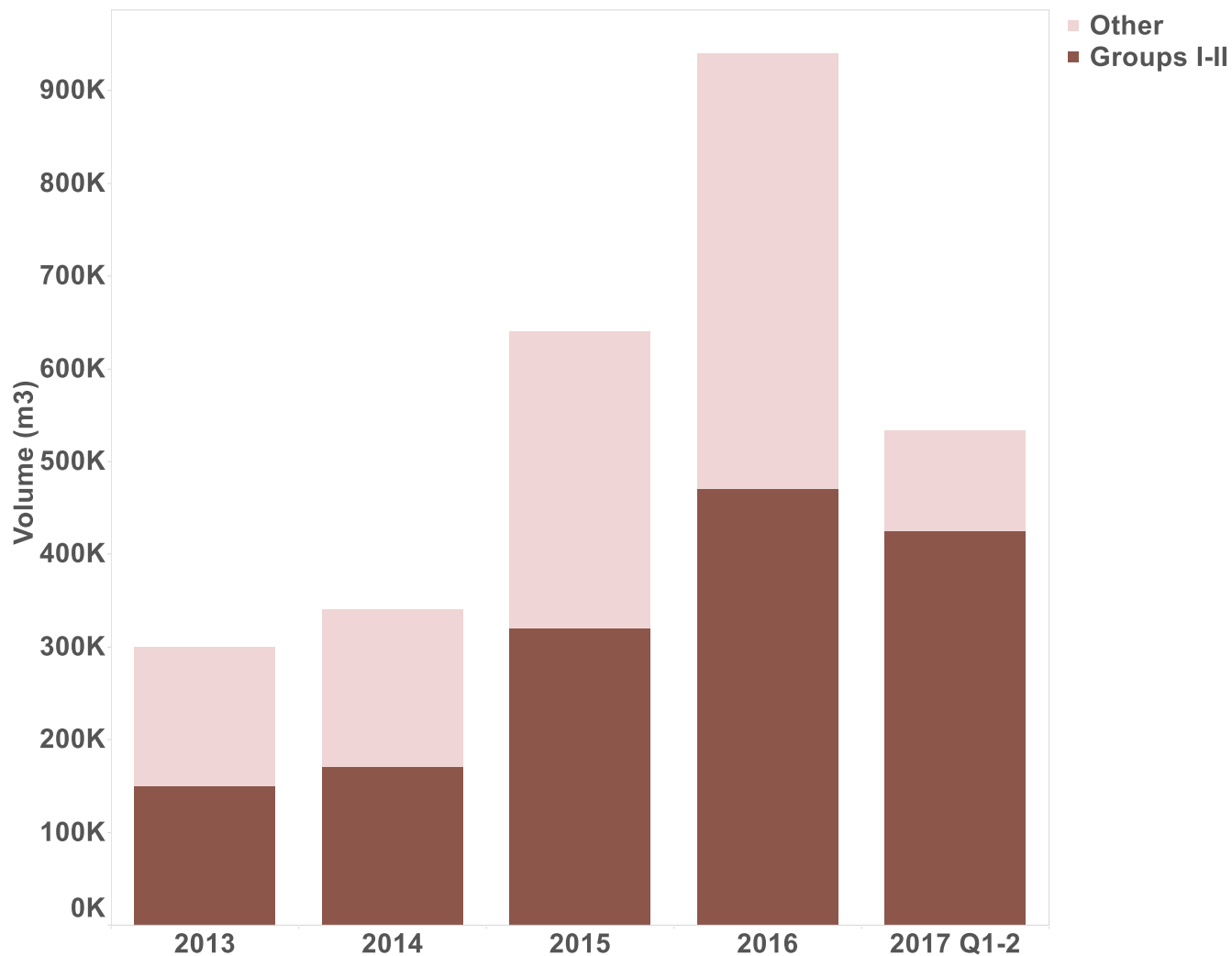
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Vietnam's log and sawnwood imports from Cambodia, 2015 – June 2017



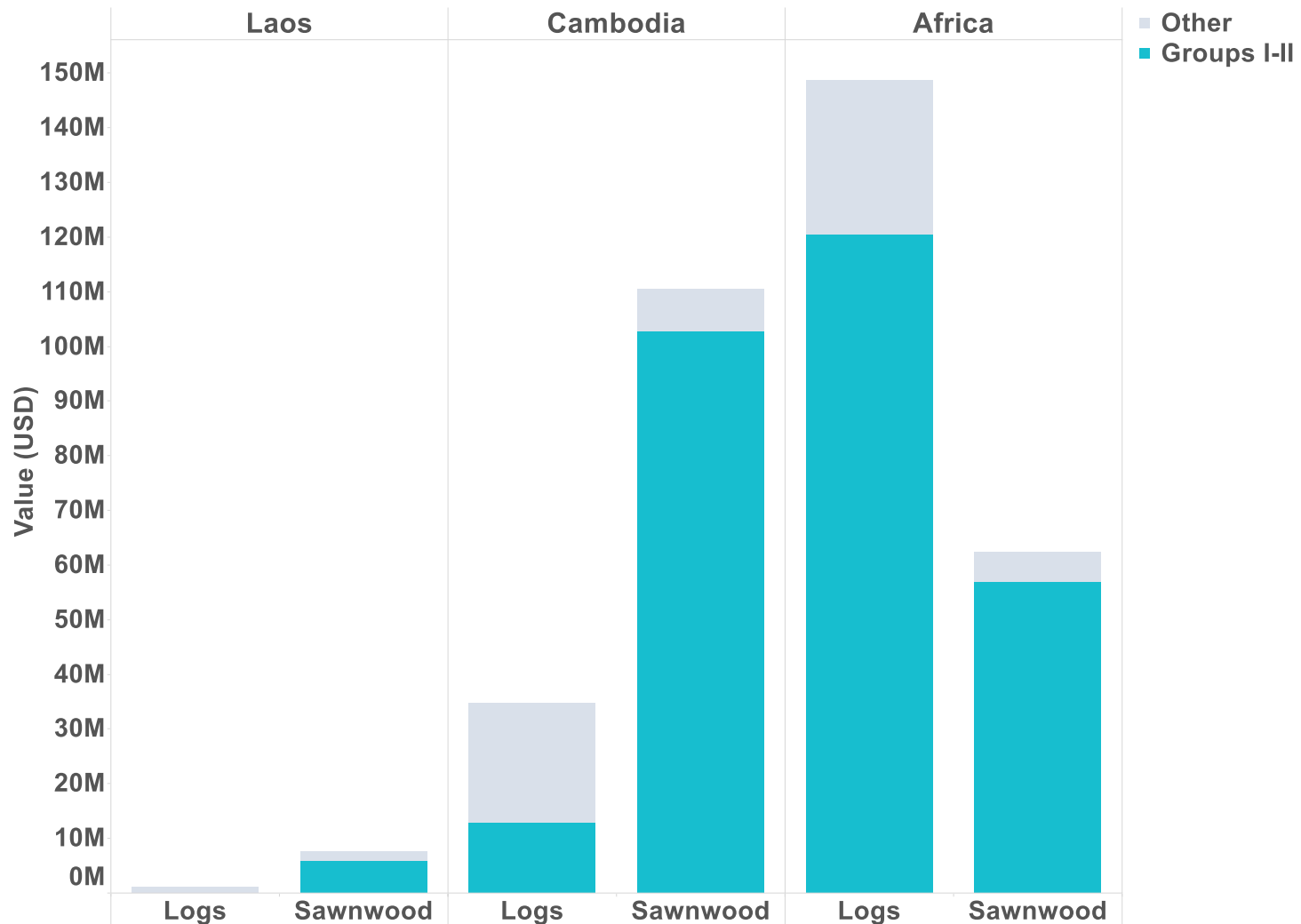
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Vietnam's log and sawnwood imports from Laos, Cambodia & Africa, Jan – June 2017



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CITES Enforcement: Vietnam



Progress:

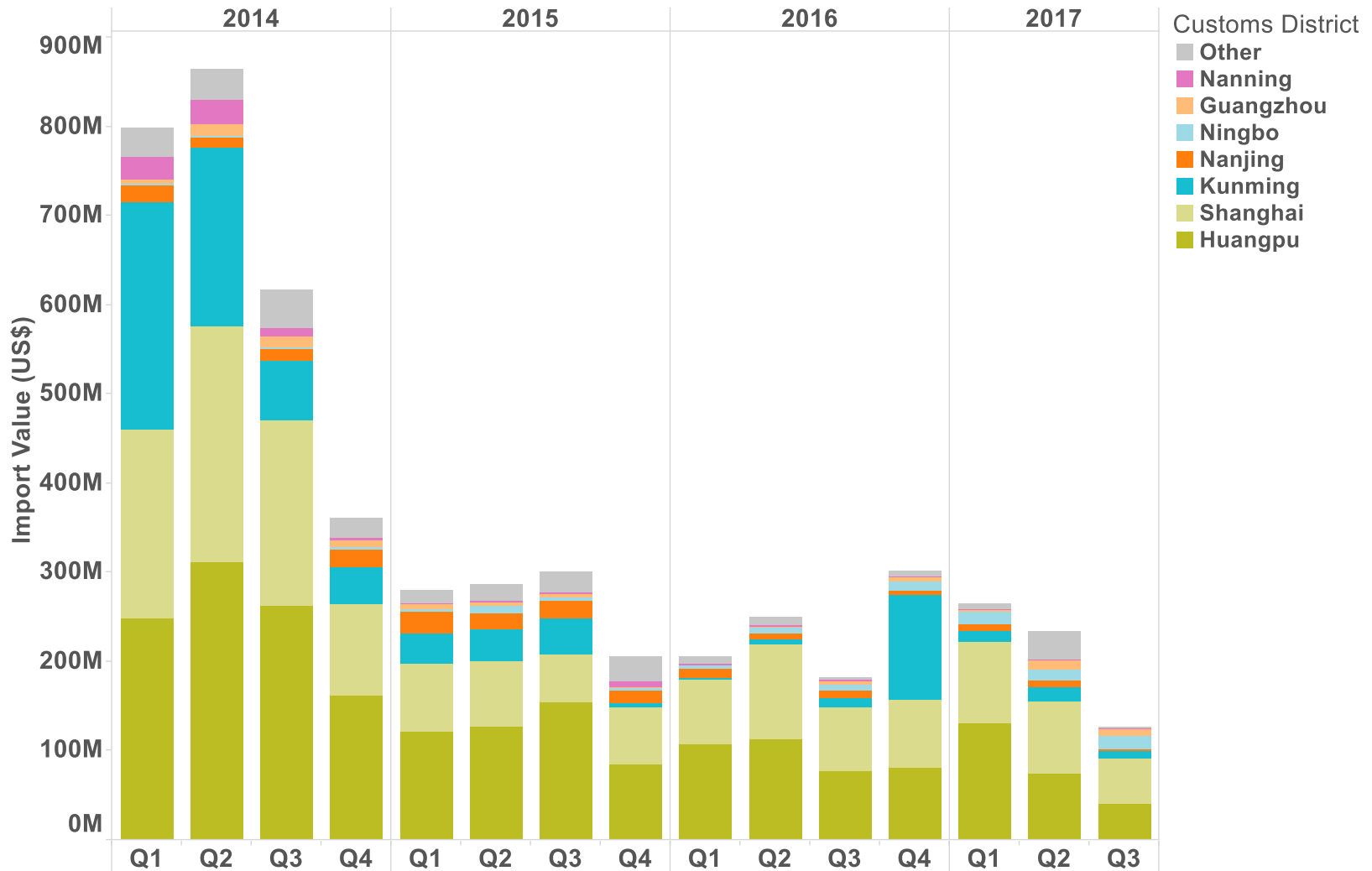
- Listings largely being enforced, in keeping with government/industry developments to exclude illegal timber
- VPA negotiations concluded: import control mechanism; FLEGT and CITES staff sharing offices
- Timber associations' statement on excluding high-risk wood

Challenges:

- Time lag – shipments sent prior to listings taking effect
 - Hai Phong seizure
- Costs to traders
 - Permit purchases
- Most higher-value species exported to China

China's imports of *hongmu* logs and sawnwood by Customs district

January 2014 – August 2017



Vietnam's log and sawnwood imports from Laos and Cambodia, January – June 2017



Laos

Classification	Logs		Sawnwood	
	Volume (m ³)	Value (USD)	Volume (m ³)	Value (USD)
Group 1	18	14,727	4,950	5,170,765
Group 2	364	141,322	1,352	759,968
Other	5,178	995,291	4,697	1,674,091
Total	5,560	1,151,339	10,999	7,604,824

* Includes 3,312 m³ of *Pterocarpus* spp. imported in sawnwood form

Cambodia

Classification	Logs		Sawnwood	
	Volume (m ³)	Value (USD)	Volume (m ³)	Value (USD)
Group 1	5,374	5,198,200	66,783	68,741,195
Group 2	21,881	7,675,786	71,566	34,042,219
Other	116,023	21,984,753	31,316	7,684,630
Total	143,278	34,858,738	169,664	110,468,044

* Includes 4,217 m³ of *Pterocarpus* spp. imported in log form, and 46,396 m³ in sawnwood form

Vietnam's log and sawnwood imports from Africa, January – June 2017



Total Africa

Classification	Logs		Sawnwood	
	Volume (m ³)	Value (USD)	Volume (m ³)	Value (USD)
Group 1	123,811	45,446,744	44,782	23,045,365
Group 2	192,124	75,015,337	64,736	33,932,347
Other	94,818	28,217,495	13,388	5,414,341
Total	410,754	148,679,576	122,906	62,392,054

* Includes 45,068 m³ of *Pterocarpus* spp. imported in log form, and 14,914 m³ in sawnwood form; 16,630 m³ of *Dalbergia* spp. imported in log form, and 7,089 m³ in sawnwood form

Top supplier countries

Country	Logs		Sawnwood	
	Volume (m ³)	Value (USD)	Volume (m ³)	Value (USD)
Angola	40,745	9,027,539	2,780	606,870
Cameroon	231,322	89,231,924	39,757	17,864,735
R. of Congo	14,349	5,382,477	850	520,541
D. R. Congo	25,577	11,926,571	957	550,926
Gabon	963	466,939	50,787	31,254,712
Ghana	39,718	15,209,942	14,561	6,318,599
Nigeria	23,115	8,340,123	5,179	1,745,406

A scenic landscape of rolling green hills and a dense forest under a cloudy sky. The foreground is filled with lush green trees, while the background shows layers of hills fading into the distance under a bright, overcast sky.

Thank you

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