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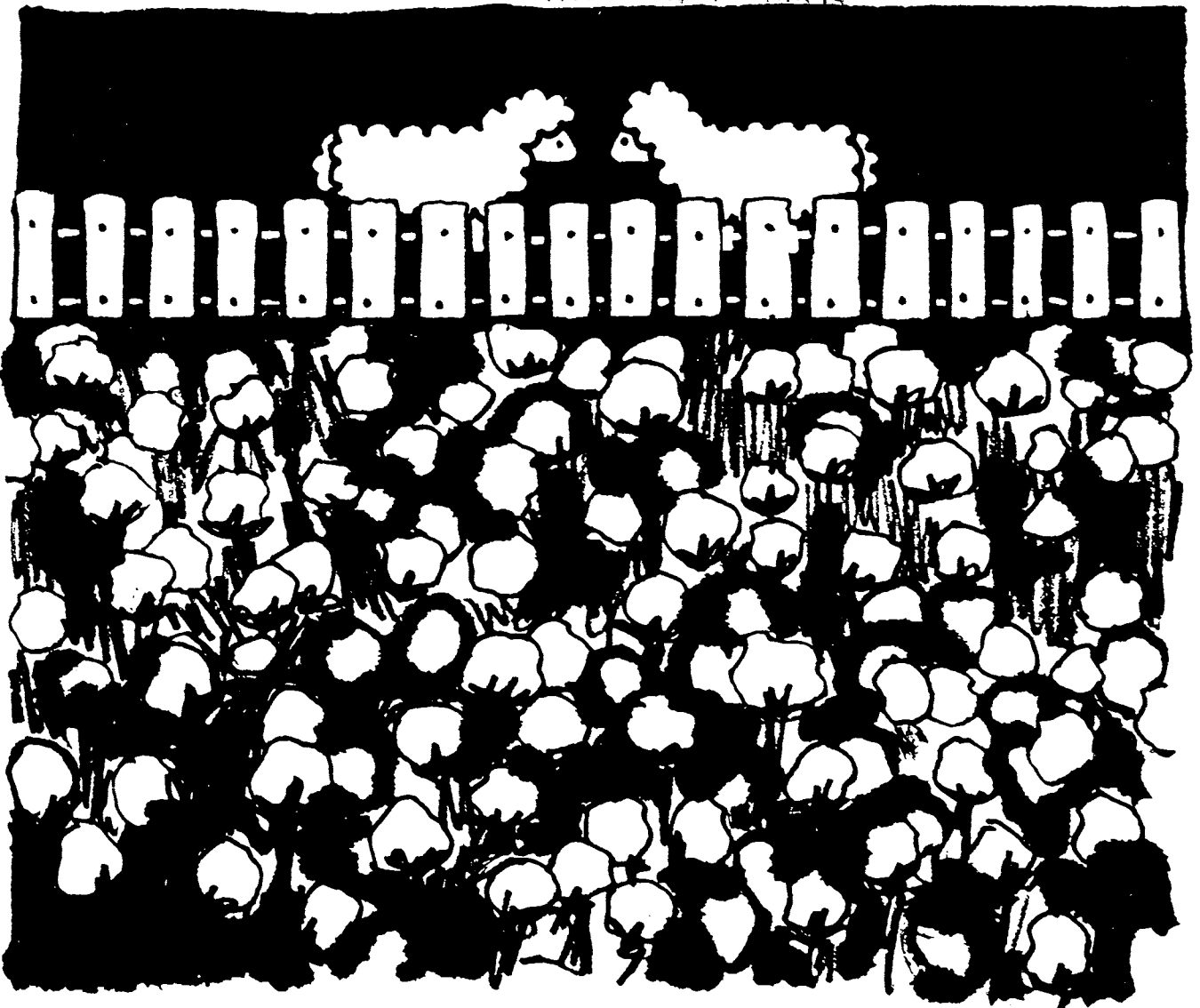
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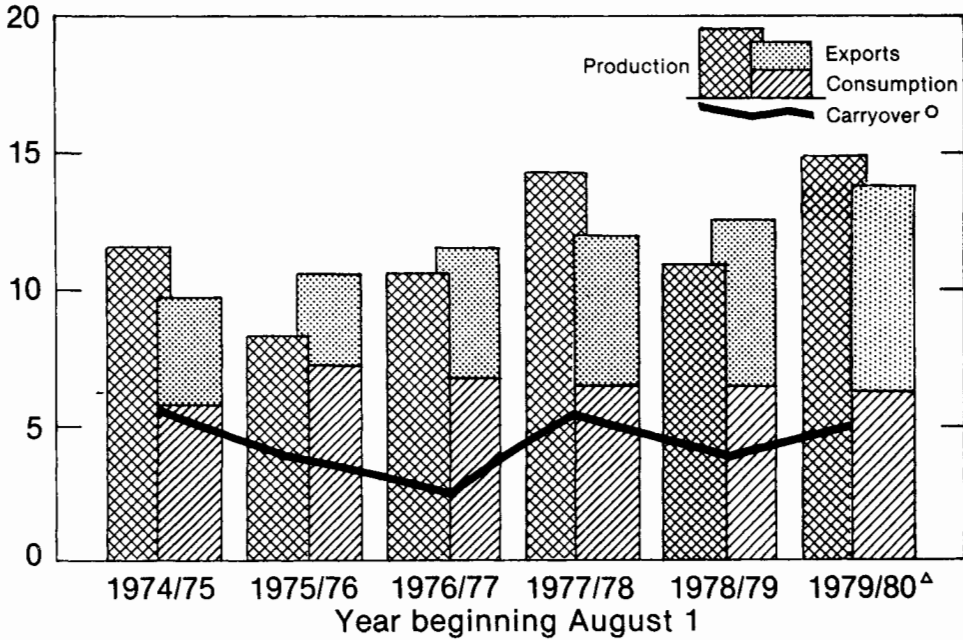
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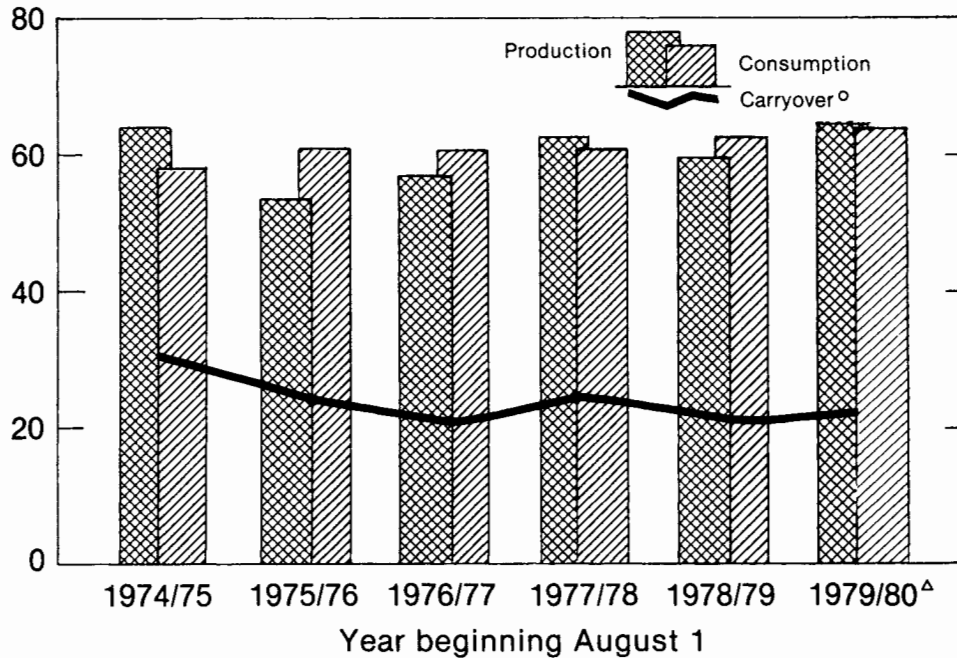
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World Cotton Production, Use and Carryover

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SUMMARY

Strong export demand is boosting U.S. cotton disappearance in the 1979/80 marketing year to an estimated 14.4 million bales, the most since 1963/64. This level of disappearance will fall a little short of the 1979 crop of 14.9 million bales. Consequently, stocks on August 1, 1980 could total around 4½ million bales, compared to this season's beginning level of 4 million. Of the projected 4½-million-bale carryover, an unusually high percentage could be committed for export, leaving "free" stocks much tighter than the total level indicates.

Low beginning stocks in many cotton-importing nations, coupled with increases in consumption, are causing world cotton trade to expand this season. World exports are expected to reach a record 21.3 million bales. Expanded imports by China and other Asian nations are accounting for most of the increased trade. The United States, which in 1979/80 produced 23 percent of the world cotton crop while accounting for only 10 percent of consumption, is the primary beneficiary of this expansion in trade. U.S. exports are forecast at 8 million bales in 1979/80, 1.8 million above last season and the most since 1932/33. The U.S. export commitment—shipments plus outstanding sales—was 9 million bales on February 3.

World cotton consumption for 1979/80 is forecast at a record-high 64.3 million bales, 1.6 million above 1978/79. This increase is occurring in foreign countries where consumption is placed at 57.9 million bales, up from 56.3 million in 1978/79. Mill use in the United States is expected to be virtually unchanged from last season, totaling about 6.4 million bales.

World cotton production in 1979/80 is estimated at 65.3 million bales, an increase of 5.6 million over last season. The U.S. is accounting for nearly three-fourths of the increase; foreign cotton production is expected to total 50.4 million bales, 1.6 million above last season.

If these estimates of world cotton supply and

use are realized, stocks on August 1, 1980 will be around 22.3 million bales, up 0.7 million from the beginning level. Although both U.S. and foreign stocks are expected to increase this season, foreign stocks will remain extremely tight relative to use.

World and U.S. cotton prices have risen sharply in recent weeks, reflecting strong demand and tight supplies of good-quality cotton. The Outlook "A" Index had risen to 98 cents a pound by February 8, an increase of 13 cents from a month earlier. Spot prices of SLM 1-1/16-inch cotton in U.S. markets averaged 82 cents a pound during the first two weeks of February, 21 cents above a year-earlier. If spot prices average 78.45 cents or higher in February, a special import quota equalling a 21-day mill supply of upland cotton will be opened up. This would probably have little impact on U.S. prices since foreign cotton supplies are tight.

Farm prices of upland cotton averaged 61 cents a pound during the August-December period of this marketing year. During calendar 1979, upland prices averaged nearly 59 cents a pound, compared with a target price of 57.7 cents. Consequently, deficiency payments were not made on 1979 production.

Current high cotton prices could generate an increase in world cotton area in 1980. Prices have risen significantly since the first of the year when U.S. producers revealed plans to plant around 14 million acres of cotton this spring. Actual 1980 acreage will depend heavily on weather and further price developments, but prices around current levels would provide a strong incentive for U.S. producers to expand cotton acreage above the indicated 14 million. Current indications also point to an increase in foreign cotton area during 1980 of around 2 to 3 percent.

World wool production in 1979/80 is estimated at 3.32 billion pounds, up 1.3 percent from the previous year, reflecting increased sheep numbers in most major sheep raising countries. Wool consumption may also be higher. During January-September 1979, mill use of virgin wool in the nine major wool consuming nations increased nearly 4 percent over the year-earlier level.

The number of sheep and lambs in the United States increased 2 percent in 1979, the first increase since 1960. U.S. raw wool farm prices averaged 83 cents in January, well below the \$1.23 a pound support level for 1980.

COTTON AND WOOL SITUATION

TEXTILES AND THE ECONOMY

The U.S. textile industry outperformed the sluggish general economy in 1979 as mill use of all fibers increased 3 percent to a record-high 12.8 billion pounds. On a per capita basis, mill use was 57.9 pounds, 1.2 pounds above 1978, but below the 1973 high of 59.3 pounds. Manmade fiber use increased nearly 4 percent over 1978; cotton use was up 1 percent, and wool use declined 4 percent (table 1).

A smaller textile trade deficit was primarily responsible for continued strong fiber demand by U.S. mills. For the year, the trade deficit was 290 million pounds, raw fiber equivalent, compared with 800 million during 1978.

Both cotton and manmade fiber textiles were exported from the U.S. in record quantities during 1979. As a result, and coupled with smaller imports, the estimated deficit in cotton textile trade of 266 million pounds was over 45 percent below

the 1978 deficit; manmade fiber textile exports exceeded imports by 72 million pounds, compared with a 95-million-pound deficit in 1978. Among the reasons for this improved trade picture were more favorable terms-of-trade due to the weaker U.S. dollar and apparently more aggressive export marketing by U.S. manufacturers.

Domestic consumption of all fibers (mill use plus the raw fiber equivalent of textile imports less exports) in 1979 was more reflective of the lackluster U.S. economy than was mill use. In contrast to mill use, domestic consumption declined 1 percent from 1978, falling to 13.1 billion pounds.

Cotton's share of domestic consumption was 26.2 percent, compared with its 24.1-percent share of mill use—cotton accounted for 54 percent of total U.S. textile imports in 1979.

The U.S. economic outlook for 1980 is clouded by many uncertainties arising from rapidly changing

Table 1—Mill consumption of fibers: Total, per capita and percentage distribution, by fiber

Year beginning January 1	Cotton			Wool		
	Total	Share of fibers	Per capita	Total	Share of fibers	Per capita
	<i>Million pounds</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Pounds</i>	<i>Million pounds</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Pounds</i>
1974	3,309.0	29.8	15.6	93.5	0.8	0.4
1975	3,026.7	28.7	14.2	110.0	1.0	.5
1976	3,413.9	29.4	15.9	121.7	1.1	.6
1977	3,169.9	26.1	14.6	108.0	.9	.5
1978	3,040.6	24.5	13.9	115.3	1.0	.5
1979 ⁴	3,077.0	24.1	14.0	111.0	1.0	.5
	Manmade ¹			All fibers ²		
	Total	Share of fibers	Per capita	Total	Per capita ³	
	<i>Million pounds</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Pounds</i>	<i>Million pounds</i>	<i>Pounds</i>	
1974	7,698.0	69.4	36.3	11,109.8	52.4	
1975	7,416.5	70.3	34.7	10,556.8	49.4	
1976	8,052.5	69.5	37.4	11,594.5	53.9	
1977	8,888.9	73.0	41.0	12,170.9	56.1	
1978	9,235.2	74.5	42.3	12,396.9	56.7	
1979 ⁴	9,585.0	75.0	43.5	12,779.3	57.9	

¹ Includes manufactured waste reported by *Textile Organon*. ² Includes flax and silk. ³ Total consumption divided by population. ⁴ Preliminary, and estimated.

Compiled from *Textile Organon* and reports of the Bureau of the Census.

international political conditions and, here at home, by the persistent problems of inflation, high interest rates, and escalating energy prices. The oft-predicted recession did not materialize in 1979 and recent economic indicators have been mixed. Most forecasts, however, still call for a mild recession in 1980 with a weak recovery beginning late in the year.

Under the assumption of a mild recession, *domestic* consumption of all fibers may be little changed from 1979, perhaps decreasing slightly. Mill use could register another slight gain, depending primarily upon whether current trends

toward a declining textile trade deficit are maintained.

A particular concern is that demand for fibers used in durable goods would be appreciably weakened by a combination of recession and high interest rates. Fibers (mostly manmade) used in carpets and rugs, for example, account for 25 percent of total fiber use, and these end uses are extremely sensitive to the rate of housing starts. The outlook for consumer nondurable goods is more optimistic. As a result, mill demand for cotton is likely to remain near current levels, even if a mild recession develops.

COTTON SITUATION

WORLD SITUATION AND OUTLOOK

Record-High Production

World cotton production in 1979/80 is estimated at 65.3 million bales, an increase of 9 percent or 5.6 million bales over last season's output. Harvested area of 80 million acres was less than 1 percent above last season, but yields, reflecting generally favorable growing conditions, were 9 percent higher. Most of the production increase occurred in the United States where a 4-million-bale larger crop was harvested. Foreign cotton production is estimated at 50.4 million bales, up from 48.8 million in 1978 (table 14).

Production in foreign cotton net-exporting countries is estimated at 32.8 million bales, 1.3 million above 1978. The most notable increases from 1978 to 1979 were in the USSR and Pakistan: 12.3 million to 13.1 million and 2.1 million to 3.0 million, respectively.

Output in foreign net-importing countries is placed at 17.7 million bales, near the 1978 level. Estimated production in China of 10.2 million bales was up slightly from 1978. Production in India declined 0.2 million bales from 1978 to around 6 million.

Consumption Unaffected By Recession Fears

World cotton consumption for 1979/80 is forecast at a record-high 64.3 million bales, 1.6 million above 1978/79. In contrast to the production gains from 1978, the increase in consumption is occurring outside the United States. Foreign consumption for 1979/80 is placed at 57.9 million bales, up from 56.3 million last season. While the

increases in consumption are widespread, noteworthy gains are occurring in the cotton-importing nations of Asia. Consumption in China could rise from 12.4 to 13 million bales, and in the non-communist importing Asian nations, from 13.8 to 14.2 million.

World Stocks Increasing

If current estimates for 1979/80 world cotton production and use are realized, stocks on August 1, 1980 will be around 22.3 million bales, an increase of 0.7 million over 1979. Although both foreign and U.S. stocks are expected to increase this season, foreign stocks will remain at a relatively low level of 17.7 million bales. A foreign stock level of that magnitude represents less than a four-month supply of cotton at present rates of use.

Stocks in the net-importing nations are expected to decline slightly, remaining close to 9 million bales on August 1, 1980. Declines in Western Europe and in the non-communist Asian countries are being offset by some stock rebuilding in China, where a 0.2-million-bale increase is expected—from 2.25 to 2.45 million bales.

Stocks in foreign net-exporting countries on August 1, 1980 are expected to increase nearly 0.4 million bales from a year earlier, totaling 8.5 million. Stocks in the USSR are increasing from 1.8 to 2.3 million bales.

Cotton Trade At Record Pace

World cotton exports are expected to reach a record 21.4 million bales in 1979/80, 2 million above last season. Low beginning stocks in many importing nations, coupled with increases in consumption, are responsible for the expansion.

China, which is increasing imports to 3 million bales from 2.2 million in 1978/79, and the non-communist importing Asian nations which are importing 0.26 million more bales account for most of the increased trade.

The United States, which in 1979/80 produced 23 percent of the world's cotton crop while accounting for only 10 percent of consumption, is the primary beneficiary of the expanded trade. U.S. exports are forecast at 8 million bales, 1.8 million above 1978/79, and the largest since 1932/33. Exports from the United States will account for 38 percent of total exports if the current estimates are realized. The United States' share was 32 percent in 1978/79 and averaged around 25 percent during the 1973/74-1977/78 period.

Prices On the Rise

Reflecting the strong demand for cotton, the Outlook "A" Index averaged nearly 89 cents a pound in January, 12 cents higher than in January 1979. During calendar 1979, the Index averaged 77 cents a pound, virtually identical to the price of U.S. SM 1-1/16-inch cotton c.i.f. Northern Europe (tables 2 and 3).

World cotton prices have risen sharply in recent weeks with the Outlook "A" Index reaching 98 cents a pound on February 8, 23 cents above a year earlier. Cotton prices are still below (but approaching) mill-delivered polyester staple prices in Western Europe, which recently ranged from

about \$1.00 a pound in the United Kingdom to \$1.12 in West Germany. In Japan, polyester staple prices of around 70 cents a pound are below cotton prices, except prices of cotton with micronaire under the 3.5-4.9 range.

Table 2—Index of prices of selected cotton growths and qualities, and price per pound of U.S. SM 1-1/16" c.i.f. Northern Europe

Month	1978		1979		1980	
	Index ¹	U.S. SM 1-1/16"	Index ¹	U.S. SM 1-1/16"	Index ¹	U.S. SM 1-1/16"
	<i>Cents</i>					
January . . .	64.06	64.75	77.00	76.00		
February . . .	66.38	66.00	76.10	75.25		
March	68.51	68.30	75.27	74.30		
April	69.26	69.38	73.53	72.88		
May	70.71	72.12	75.21	76.45		
June	71.36	72.35	76.18	77.06		
July	70.65	71.38	76.83	77.06		
August	73.17	74.50	77.46	77.85		
September . .	74.00	75.06	77.98	78.44		
October	76.85	77.75	77.98	78.44		
November . . .	79.38	79.40	80.12	80.65		
December . . .	79.08	79.25	82.22	82.25		
Average . . .	71.95	72.52	77.16	77.22		

¹ Outlook 'A' index of Liverpool Cotton Services. Average of the 5 lowest priced of 10 selected growths.

Cotton Outlook, Liverpool Cotton Services.

Table 3—Cotton: Average prices¹ of selected growths and qualities, c.i.f. Northern Europe

Calendar year and month month	SM 1-1/16"						
	U.S.	Mexico	Nicaragua	Syria	U.S.S.R. Pervyl 31/32 mm.	Iran	Turkey (Izmir)
	<i>Equivalent U.S. cents per pound</i>						
1978	72.52	72.94	70.21	72.08	72.55	75.10	73.46
1979	77.22	77.43	73.97	81.08	78.73	80.77	82.53
1979							
January	76.00	76.00	73.69	80.85	80.31	N.Q.	80.75
February	75.25	76.19	72.37	80.85	78.81	N.Q.	81.00
March	74.30	76.35	71.50	80.85	78.75	81.40	N.Q.
April	72.88	74.50	70.00	80.85	76.31	78.75	N.Q.
May	76.45	76.20	71.20	80.85	75.10	78.60	N.Q.
June	77.06	77.00	73.75	N.Q.	75.56	78.00	N.Q.
July	77.06	77.25	74.50	N.Q.	77.81	N.Q.	N.Q.
August	77.85	77.65	N.Q.	N.Q.	78.30	N.Q.	N.Q.
September	78.44	77.94	N.Q.	N.Q.	78.38	N.Q.	N.Q.
October	78.44	77.81	N.Q.	79.80	78.94	N.Q.	82.00
November	80.65	80.05	78.88	81.08	81.85	82.70	83.55
December	82.25	82.25	79.83	83.50	84.67	85.17	85.33

¹ Generally for prompt shipment. N.Q. = No quotations.

Cotton Outlook, Liverpool Cotton Services.

1980/81 WORLD OUTLOOK

Current high cotton prices could cause an expansion in world cotton area next year. The Foreign Agricultural Service projects an increase of 2 to 3 percent in foreign cotton area, with larger increases in the exporting nations of Central and South America where area is moderately responsive to price. A marginal increase in USSR acreage is likely this year, but yields probably will not match 1979's. In order to increase production, the Chinese Government has called for a larger cotton area this year—area could increase 4 percent.

With expected yields, foreign cotton production could be around 51 to 52 million bales for 1980/81, compared to 50.4 million this season. In the United States, area will likely match or exceed this season's 14 million acres. Yields, however, are unlikely to match the record-high 551 pounds per harvested acre realized in 1979. With average yields, U.S. production would decline, perhaps about offsetting the anticipated increase in foreign cotton production.

At this early date, it appears that world cotton consumption could increase slightly in 1980/81. Usage depends on general economic activity and competition from manmade fibers in the major cotton consuming and textile exporting nations.

Projections of world cotton production and use for 1980/81 are, of course, highly tentative at this time. While a fairly close balance between production and use is the "most likely" forecast, weather and/or economic conditions could cause actual developments to differ greatly from this forecast.

U.S. OUTLOOK FOR 1980/81

Acreage and Production Prospects

U.S. cotton producers in early January indicated plans to plant around 13.9 million acres this spring, virtually unchanged from last year. Actual plantings often differ from these early indications due to weather, changes in crop prices, or changes in farm programs. January intentions were generally in line with trade expectations and appeared consistent with relative prices of cotton and competing crops. However, significant increases in cotton prices since the intention survey was conducted indicate that cotton acreage could easily exceed 14 million (table 4).

Very active forward crop contracting in recent weeks at relatively high prices could further encourage producers to increase acreage this spring. By January 31, the Agricultural Marketing Service estimated that 14 percent of 1980 acreage was booked, double the year-earlier pace.

Table 4—Cotton: All kinds, U.S. acreage planted by States

State	1974-78 average	1979	Indicated 1980 ¹	1980 as a percentage of 1979
	<i>1,000 acres</i>			<i>Percent</i>
Upland				
Alabama	442	325	315	97
Arizona	411	610	600	98
Arkansas	957	630	700	111
California	1,232	1,650	1,600	97
Georgia	238	155	155	100
Louisiana	520	470	540	115
Mississippi	1,402	1,050	1,050	100
Missouri	275	160	200	125
New Mexico	116	153	(³)	—
North Carolina	84	46	50	109
Oklahoma	484	600	570	95
South Carolina	168	112	115	103
Tennessee	374	250	260	104
Texas	5,590	7,700	7,600	99
Other States ²	11	5	—	—
Total	12,306.2	13,915.8	⁴ 13,905.3	100
American-Pima				
Texas	24.0	31.0		
New Mexico	11.5	16.0		
Arizona	34.3	43.0		
California . . . . .	.2	.1		
Total	70.1	90.1		
Total (all cotton)	12,376.4	14,005.9		

¹ Prospective plantings report of January 21, 1980. ² Virginia, Florida, Illinois, Kentucky, and Nevada. ³ Not surveyed. ⁴ Includes estimates for New Mexico, Florida, Illinois and Nevada.

In the Delta and Southeast regions where cotton and soybeans compete, the January report showed cotton producers were expanding acreage by 7 percent in the Delta and holding acreage about constant in the Southeast. The intended Delta acreage of 2.75 million, while 200,000 acres above 1979, is 700,000 below 1978 planted acreage. Current cotton and soybean prices indicate a potential for considerably higher cotton acreage in the Delta and Southeast than indicated in January.

Similarly, higher cotton prices could encourage producers in the West and Southwest to reverse their earlier decisions to reduce cotton acreage this year. The intended cutback in the Southwest from 8.30 to 8.17 million acres was caused by a higher sorghum-to-cotton price ratio than producers noted last spring. Producers in the West had revealed plans this January to reduce cotton acreage by 3 percent; to around 2.35 million.

The other variable in the cotton production equation is average yield. And, cotton yields are notorious for their extreme year-to-year variations. At any rate, the January acreage intentions coupled with normal yields (around a bale per harvested acre) and average abandonment would suggest 1980 production of just over 13 million bales. A reasonable range given the intended acreage is 11-3/4 to 14-1/4 million bales. However, chances for cotton acreage exceeding the 14 million indicated in January look good at this time. This raises both the lower and upper ends of the suggested 1980 production range.

Upland Cotton Farm Program

The 1980 upland cotton crop will be produced under provisions of the Food and Agriculture Act of 1977 as amended by the Emergency Assistance Act of 1978. The 1977 Act continued the target price and loan programs for separately protecting producers' incomes and supporting commodity prices. The most significant change from previous legislation is that program benefits are now based on a producer's current plantings. For cotton, this change is of some significance. In 1977/78, the last crop under the 1973 Act, planted acreage in the Southwest and West exceeded the acreage allotments by 37 percent and 120 percent, respectively, while in the Southeast, planted acreage was less than half the allotment. The 1977 Act, in effect, increases target price coverage for low-cost producers. The shift in cotton production to the Western regions, while primarily related to returns from market prices, could be reinforced by the "current plantings" provision of the 1977 Act.

The 1977 Act explicitly linked the upland cotton loan rate to world market prices to keep U.S. cotton competitive in world markets. The Emergency Act passed by the Congress in 1978 modified some

technical features of the loan rate formula and established a minimum loan of 48 cents a pound.

Finally, the 1977 Act changed the formula for determining annual adjustments in target prices. Target prices are now adjusted on the basis of changes in individual commodity average production costs, rather than by changes in a general price index. Some refinements in the cotton target price formula may still be needed, however. At present, costs for only the three previous years are used in making target price adjustments. The pattern of yields, more so for cotton than for grains, in any of these years can result in the adjustment being out of line with changes in actual production costs. Pending legislation addresses this problem for wheat and feed grain target price adjustments. The bill (H.R. 3398) permits target price adjustments for those crops in 1980 and 1981 to be made on the basis of short-term (non-postponable) cash costs faced by producers.

Specific provisions of the 1980/81 upland cotton program are:

- There will be no required set-aside or voluntary diversion of cropland for the 1980 cotton crop. This decision was based on forecasts of a fairly close balance between production and use in 1980/81. If demand should prove less than expected or if cotton yields are again above normal in 1980, the USDA would consider establishing a cotton reserve program similar to that for grains.
- The target price will be between 57 and 61 cents a pound in 1980, compared to 57.7 cents in 1979. The final target price will be announced when final production costs and yield data become available for 1979.
- Deficiency payments (based on the difference between the target price and the higher of the loan rate or calendar year average farm price) are limited to a combined total of \$50,000 per person under the upland cotton, wheat, and feed grain programs, up from \$45,000 in 1979.
- Preliminary national program acreage (NPA) is 11.6 million acres. Producers who do not reduce 1980 plantings by at least 10 percent from that planted in 1979 will be subject to an allocation factor if deficiency payments are made. The allocation factor will be equal to the ratio of the final NPA to actual 1980 harvested acreage.
- The loan rate for 1980/81 will be 48 cents a pound, the legislative minimum. The 1979/80 loan rate is 50.23 cents a pound.

Disappearance Prospects

Domestic cotton mill use in 1980/81 will depend heavily on several factors including the levels of general economic activity and textile imports, and the price of cotton relative to manmade fibers. Cotton usage could increase slightly in 1980/81 from this season's estimated 6.4 million bales given prospects for only a mild recession. Inventories of cotton textiles are relatively low, thus requiring only minor adjustments if the business slowdown materializes. Still, the maintenance of cotton mill demand near or slightly above current rates of use require further improvement in the U.S. textile trade deficit. Moreover, continued rising and unstable cotton prices could have a negative impact on use later in 1980 even though polyester staple prices are slated to increase 10 percent in March and could climb even more as oil prices increase.

Raw cotton export prospects for 1980/81 are even more difficult to assess at this time since our exports depend on foreign cotton production and demand as well as domestic developments. While foreign cotton stocks will likely be at low levels on August 1, 1980, current high cotton prices may encourage an increase in foreign production and restrain demand as well. Thus, while another good year is shaping up for 1980/81 U.S. cotton exports, shipments will likely decline from this season's unusually high level.

In summary, this highly tentative outlook for 1980/81 indicates that U.S. production and disappearance could be in fairly close balance. This "most likely" forecast assumes average yields for the 1980/81 cotton crop and a mild economic recession in the United States.

U.S. SITUATION FOR 1979/80

Production Up Sharply

Based on January 1 conditions, the Crop Reporting Board forecast all cotton production for 1979/80 at 14.9 million bales, 37 percent above last season's output, and the largest since 1965/66. The survey indicated that producers harvested 13 million acres out of 14 million planted, an abandonment of over 7 percent. Average yield is estimated at a record-high 551 pounds per harvested acre, well above last season's abnormally low 421 pounds (tables 15 and 16).

The Southwest (Texas and Oklahoma) and West (Arizona, California, New Mexico) accounted for 75 percent of the cotton production this season. This is the largest share ever for these regions, and the first time it has exceeded 70 percent.

This regional shift in production to the Southwest and West is largely due to the lower

Table 5—Upland cotton: Ginnings by staple length

Staple	Season through December 31			
	Quantity		Share of total	
	1978	1979 ¹	1978	1979 ¹
	1,000 bales		Percent	
7/8" and shorter (26-28)	8.3	17.5	0.1	(²)
29/32" (29)	79.3	82.7	.9	.7
15/16" (30)	367.5	425.5	4.0	3.4
31/32" (31)	648.5	1,045.0	7.0	8.3
1" (32)	925.3	1,388.2	10.0	11.0
1-1/32" (33)	905.4	1,096.0	9.8	8.7
1-1/16" (34)	2,348.7	1,346.7	25.4	10.6
1-3/32" (35)	2,996.9	4,207.0	32.3	33.2
1-1/8" (36)	920.4	2,925.1	9.9	23.1
1-5/32" and longer (37-40)	53.4	117.7	.6	1.0
Total	9,253.7	12,651.4	100.0	100.0

¹ Preliminary. ² Less than 0.05 percent.

Agricultural Marketing Service.

average production costs along with higher opportunity costs of producing cotton in the Eastern Belt. The more market-oriented farm programs of recent years, especially the elimination in 1974 of direct payments made on the basis of acreage allotments, have also abetted this shift.

The costs per planted acre of producing cotton continued to increase this season. But, higher yields and proportionally more cotton in the lower cost Southwest and West regions resulted in lower average costs per pound than in 1978. Excluding the land costs, upland cotton production costs in 1979 are preliminarily estimated at 54 cents per pound, 7 cents lower than in 1978. After subtracting the estimated value of cottonseed, net average costs were 46 cents per pound, 5 cents less than in 1978.

The regional costs per pound, using the preliminary yield estimates and adjusted for cottonseed value, ranged from 40 cents in the Southwest to 69 cents in the Southeast. In the Delta and West, average costs were about 50 cents per pound. By comparison, prices received by farmers are generally highest in the West and lowest in the Southwest.

A \$5 Billion Crop

The value of the 1979 cotton crop (lint and seed) was \$5.0 billion, according to a preliminary estimate by the Crop Reporting Board, USDA. This compares with \$3.5 billion for the 1978 crop and \$4.0 billion for 1977. The 1979 estimate does not include an allowance for unredeemed loans. The average value of the 1979 cotton crop was \$388 per harvested acre, compared with \$285 in 1978 and \$302 in 1977. The value of the cotton crop was placed at over \$1.0 billion in two States during

1979—Texas at \$1.8 billion and California at \$1.3 billion.

Disappearance Prospects

U.S. cotton disappearance during 1979/80 is increasing sharply and could total 14.4 million bales, compared with 12.5 million last season. If realized, this season's cotton disappearance would be the largest since 1963/64 (tables 17 and 18, and figure 1).

Export Demand Booming

Exports of cotton from the United States totaled 945,000 bales (480 lbs.) in December, the largest monthly volume since January 1961. This helped boost 1979/80 exports to 3.9 million bales by February 3, 1 million above exports during the same period in 1978/79. As of February 3, the U.S. export commitment—shipments plus outstanding sales—was 8.9 million bales. Of this total commitment, China accounted for 2.2 million bales. U.S. shipments to China were about 650,000 sales in 1978/79.

U.S. exports for 1979/80 are projected at 8 million bales, up from 6.2 million last season. The unshipped export commitment on August 1, 1980 could be unusually high.

Mill Use Stable

U.S. textile mills are expected to use 6.4 million bales of cotton in 1979/80, virtually unchanged from last season's total. During August-December, mill use totaled 2.6 million bales, 3 percent above

the year-earlier period. The seasonally adjusted annual rate of use for the August-December period was 6.4 million bales. Annual rates of use dropped slightly—to 6.35 million bales—in November and December (tables 6 and 7).

More competitive cotton prices relative to manmade fibers in 1979 and an improved textile trade picture helped to maintain cotton use in recent months despite a sluggish general economy.

The gap between cotton and manmade fiber prices narrowed significantly during 1979. In January 1979, mills were paying 16 cents a pound more for cotton than for polyester staple; by December, the difference had declined to 7 cents a pound.

More recently, cotton prices have risen sharply relative to the manmade fibers. In January, mills paid around 14-15 cents a pound more for cotton than for polyester and February cotton prices are well above the January average. As noted earlier, an increase in polyester prices of 10 percent has been announced for March shipments. This will raise the list price to 77 cents a pound and the actual transaction price to around 70-71 cents a pound (table 22 and figure 3).

The U.S. cotton textile trade deficit in 1979 was around 550,000 bales, raw fiber equivalent, compared with 1 million bales in 1978 (tables 23-26).

Stocks to Increase

Current estimates of U.S. cotton supply and disappearance indicate that stocks could increase to 4½ million bales on August 1, 1980, compared to relatively low beginning stocks of 4 million. Of the

Table 6—Cotton and manmade fibers: Daily rate of mill consumption on cotton-system spinning spindles, unadjusted and seasonally adjusted

Month	Upland cotton				Manmade staple							
	1978/79		1979/80 ¹		1978/79				1979/80 ¹			
	Unad-justed	Ad-justed	Unad-justed	Ad-justed	Rayon and acetate		Non-cellulosic ²		Rayon and acetate		Non-cellulosic ²	
					Unad-justed	Ad-justed	Unad-justed	Ad-justed	Unad-justed	Ad-justed	Unad-justed	Ad-justed
Bales ³				1,000 pounds								
August	23,668	23,410	24,355	23,831	1,375	1,329	6,150	5,994	1,216	1,176	6,392	6,236
September	23,468	23,610	24,828	25,155	1,374	1,360	6,151	6,188	1,200	1,189	6,480	6,532
October	24,830	23,967	25,632	24,670	1,465	1,368	6,453	6,235	1,338	1,249	6,887	6,660
November	24,461	24,028			1,280	1,275	6,470	6,368	1,238	1,233	6,626	6,515
December	22,432	24,409			1,193	1,307	5,658	6,218	1,041	1,139	5,943	6,531
January	24,823	24,432			1,458	1,459	6,212	6,307				
February	24,251	23,341			1,295	1,294	6,164	6,073				
March	26,037	25,036			1,331	1,332	6,503	6,314				
April	24,090	23,875			1,332	1,331	6,316	6,067				
May	24,919	24,240			1,253	1,163	6,562	6,244				
June	25,181	24,495			1,300	1,254	6,397	6,181				
July	20,745	23,601			1,078	1,262	5,485	6,348				

¹Preliminary. ²Includes nylon, acrylic and modacrylic, polyester, and other manmade fibers. ³480-pound net weight bales.

Compiled from reports of the Bureau of the Census.

Table 7—Upland cotton and manmade staple fibers: Mill consumption on cotton-system spinning spindles

Year beginning August 1 ¹	Cotton	Manmade			Total fibers	Cotton's share of total
		Rayon and acetate	Non-cellulosic	Total		
		<i>1,000 pounds</i>				<i>Percent</i>
1978	3,055,670	347,283	1,643,631	1,990,914	5,046,584	60.5
1978						
August (4)	227,211	27,503	123,009	150,512	377,723	60.2
September (5)	281,610	34,346	153,766	188,112	469,722	60.0
October (4)	238,366	29,307	129,067	158,374	396,740	60.1
November (5)	293,527	32,008	161,749	193,757	487,284	60.2
December (4)	215,344	23,866	113,166	137,032	352,376	61.1
January (5)	297,872	36,445	155,307	191,752	489,624	60.8
February (4)	232,812	25,894	123,288	149,182	381,994	60.9
March (4)	249,951	26,630	130,054	156,684	406,635	61.5
April (5)	289,083	33,290	157,907	191,197	480,280	60.2
May (4)	239,218	25,060	131,236	156,296	395,514	60.5
June (4)	241,741	25,994	127,938	153,932	395,673	61.1
July (5)	248,935	26,940	137,144	164,084	413,019	60.3
1979						
August (4)	233,807	24,321	127,840	152,161	385,968	60.6
September (4)	238,348	24,006	129,607	153,613	391,961	60.8
October (5)	² 307,581	33,447	172,188	205,635	513,216	59.9
November ² (4)	N.A.	24,759	132,520	157,279	N.A.	N.A.
December ² (4)	N.A.	20,825	118,856	139,681	N.A.	N.A.

¹ Numbers in parentheses indicate number of weeks in period. ² Preliminary. N.A. = not available.

Compiled from reports of the Bureau of the Census.

estimated 4½ million-bale carryover, around 1.5 million bales could be committed for export; about 1 million bales of the 4-million-bale carryin were committed for export. So, "free" stocks may remain close to the 3-million-bale level.

Prices Rising

Responding to strong export demand for U.S. cotton, international economic and political uncertainties, and a moderately tight supply of good-quality cotton, spot prices have risen sharply in recent weeks. On February 14, spot prices for SLM 1-1/16-inch cotton of 3.5-4.9 micronaire averaged 82 cents a pound, 20 cents above the year-earlier. Prices averaged 72.4 cents a pound in January and 82 cents for the first two weeks of February. Current prices are well above the level suggested by traditional supply-demand factors (table 27 and figure 4).

If spot prices of SLM 1-1/16-inch cotton average 78.45 cents a pound or higher in February, the special import quota provided for in the Food and Agriculture Act of 1977 will be opened up. The amount of the quota is equal to a 21-day domestic mill supply of upland cotton and is opened up when the average spot market price of SLM 1-1/16-inch cotton exceeds 130 percent of the average price for the preceeding 36 month period.

Given the tight supply of foreign cotton, the opening of the U.S. special import quota is likely to have little effect on U.S. markets.

Table 8—Ratio of stocks to unfilled orders for cotton¹ and polyester-cotton² blended fabrics³

Month ⁴	1978		1979	
	Cotton	Blends	Cotton	Blends
January	0.34	0.23	0.21	0.16
February . . . . .	.37	.23	.21	.17
March . . . . .	.33	.21	.19	.15
April . . . . .	.35	.18	.19	.18
May . . . . .	.35	.17	.19	.18
June . . . . .	.35	.16	.18	.17
July . . . . .	.26	.16	.20	.19
August . . . . .	.29	.15	.21	.19
September . . . . .	.28	.15	.20	.15
October . . . . .	.25	.15	.21	.14
November . . . . .	.25	.15	.18	
December . . . . .	.22	.15		

¹ Cotton broadwoven fabrics. ² Polyester blends with cotton. ³ Unadjusted. ⁴ End of month.

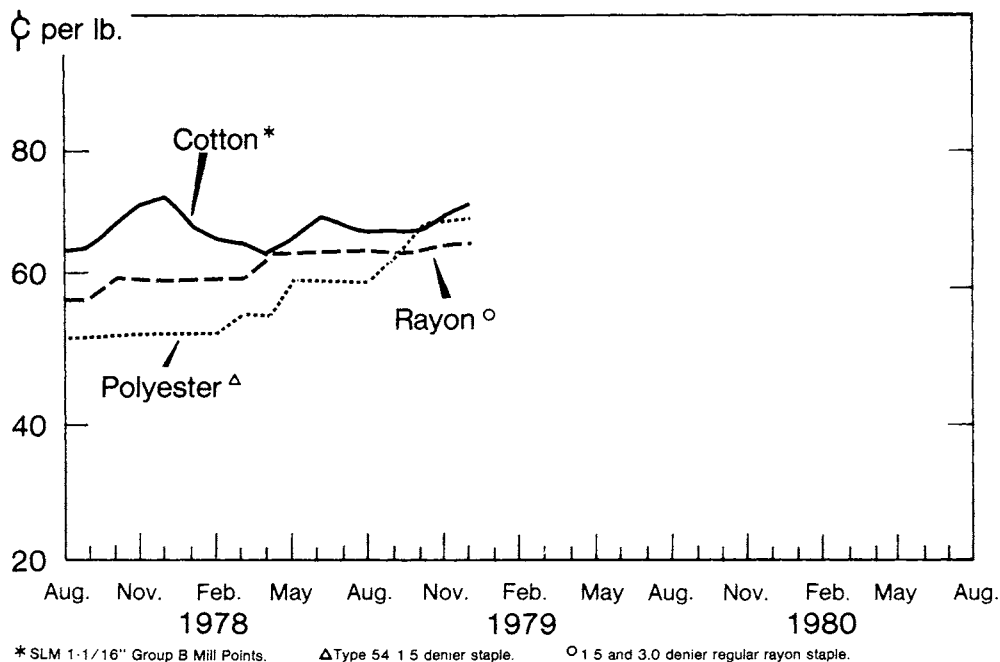
Based on data from American Textile Manufacturers Institute and the Bureau of the Census.

Farm Prices Exceed Target Price

Upland cotton farm prices averaged 58.9 cents a pound in calendar 1979, compared with a target price of 57.7 cents a pound. Consequently, deficiency payments were not made on 1979 production.

Upland cotton farm prices averaged 61.2 cents a pound during the first 5 months of the 1979/80 season, 3 cents above the 1978/79 average price.

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Figure 3

ELS Cotton Situation

Based on January 1 conditions, the 1979/80 extra-long staple (ELS) cotton crop is forecast at 98,000 bales, compared to 93,400 bales in 1978/79. Acres for harvest are estimated at 85,900, up from 76,000 last season. Average yield is expected to fall to 545 pounds per harvested acre, from 590 pounds last season. Arizona is the leading ELS-producing State, with expected production this season of 70,000 bales, 71 percent of the U.S. total.

ELS cotton disappearance during this season is expected to be above the 96,000-bale total of 1978/79. Mill use could total around 65,000 bales and exports around 40,000. Through February 3, exports were 20,000 bales and outstanding sales were 26,000. Stocks next August 1 could be around 41,000 bales, down from the August 1, 1979 level of 53,000 bales.

The loan rate for 1979/80 is 92.95 cents a pound for ELS cotton, compared to 83.2 cents for 1978/79.

Farm prices for the 1979/80 ELS cotton crop averaged around 99 cents a pound during August-December, compared with a 1978/79 season average of 91.7 cents.

Recent legislation requires the ELS loan rate for 1980 and subsequent crops to be between 185 percent and 235 percent of the upland loan rate

(formerly 150 percent to 200 percent). The minimum support level was reduced from 65 to 55 percent of parity.

MANMADE FIBER REVIEW

The manmade fiber industry in 1979 reached new highs in production and shipments despite inflation, a slowdown in economic activity, and higher raw material and energy costs. Continued strong domestic and export demand for textile products and raw fiber supported this growth. Manmade fiber production was about 10.3 billion pounds in 1979, 8 percent more than the previous year. Capacity operation for all fibers improved from an estimated 83 percent in 1978 to 87 percent in 1979. Fiber manufacturers' total shipments were about 10.2 billion pounds last year, 8 percent above 1978.

If planned manmade fiber manufacturing capacity expansions for 1980 materialize, capacity will increase 5 percent to an annual average of about 12.5 billion pounds. About 57 percent of this manufacturing potential will be filament fiber capacity. Announced filament fiber capacity expansions for 1980 indicate an estimated annual average capacity of about 7.1 billion pounds, 7 percent above 1979. The biggest percentage

Table 9—Commodity Credit Corporation stocks of cotton, United States

Date	Total	Upland			Extra-long staple ¹		
		Owned	Under loan	Total	Owned	Under loan	Total
<i>1,000 bales</i>							
1979							
August							
1	635	2	³ 614	616	(²)	³ 19	19
8	609	2	³ 589	591	(²)	³ 18	18
15	585	2	³ 565	567	(²)	³ 18	18
22	544	2	³ 525	527	(²)	³ 17	17
29	509	2	³ 491	493	(²)	³ 16	16
September							
5	477	2	³ 460	462	(²)	³ 15	15
12	422	2	³ 406	408	(²)	³ 14	14
19	412	2	³ 396	398	(²)	³ 14	14
26	378	2	³ 364	366	(²)	³ 12	12
October							
1	367	2	³ 353	355	(²)	³ 12	12
10	330	2	³ 316	318	(²)	³ 12	12
17	288	2	⁴ 277	279	(²)	³ 9	9
24	267	2	⁴ 259	261	(²)	³ 6	6
31	262	2	⁴ 254	256	(²)	³ 6	6
November							
2	261	2	⁴ 252	254	(²)	³ 6	6
14	308	2	⁴ 300	302	(²)	³ 6	6
20	336	2	⁴ 328	330	(²)	³ 6	6
28	432	2	⁴ 425	427	(²)	⁵ 5	5
December							
5	429	2	⁴ 419	421	(²)	⁶ 8	8
12	517	2	⁴ 506	508	(²)	⁶ 9	9
18	518	2	⁴ 507	509	(²)	⁶ 9	9
26	570	2	⁴ 559	561	(²)	⁶ 11	11
1980							
January							
2	633	2	⁴ 620	622	(²)	⁶ 11	11
9	733	2	⁴ 719	721	(²)	⁶ 12	12
16	872	2	⁴ 856	858	(²)	⁶ 14	14
23	951	2	⁴ 927	929	(²)	⁶ 22	22
30	944	2	⁴ 918	920	(²)	⁶ 24	24

¹ Currently represents American-Pima cotton; earlier years included Sea Island and Sealand. ² Less than 500 bales. ³ Includes cotton from 1977 and 1978 crop. ⁴ Includes cotton from 1977, 1978, and 1979 crop. ⁵ 1978/79 crop. ⁶ Includes cotton from 1978/79, 1979/80 crop.

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increase will be in glass fiber capacity, 1.4 billion pounds, up 17 percent from 1979. The fast-growing markets in plastics reinforcement and roofing shingles are the principal reasons for this expansion. Polyester filament capacity in 1980 is estimated to average 2.2 billion pounds, 4 percent more than in 1979. Nylon and olefin filament capacities are estimated to increase 2 and 3 percent, respectively, in 1980. Acetate filament capacity will decline about 3 percent (tables 11 and 28).

Total manmade staple fiber capacity expansion is expected to be about 2 percent. The largest percentage increase is 15 percent for olefin staple. There has been a strong demand for this fiber in automotive carpets and trunk innerliner. Capacities of the largest volume manmade staple fibers, polyester and nylon, are expected to increase about 3 percent in 1980. In contrast,

Table 10—State acreage allotments for extra-long staple cotton

State	1978	1979	1980
<i>Acres</i>			
Arizona	40,031	49,714	48,557
California	508	552	488
Florida	114	142	136
Georgia	121	150	146
New Mexico	18,743	23,282	22,599
Texas	32,864	41,125	40,101
Total	92,381	114,965	112,027

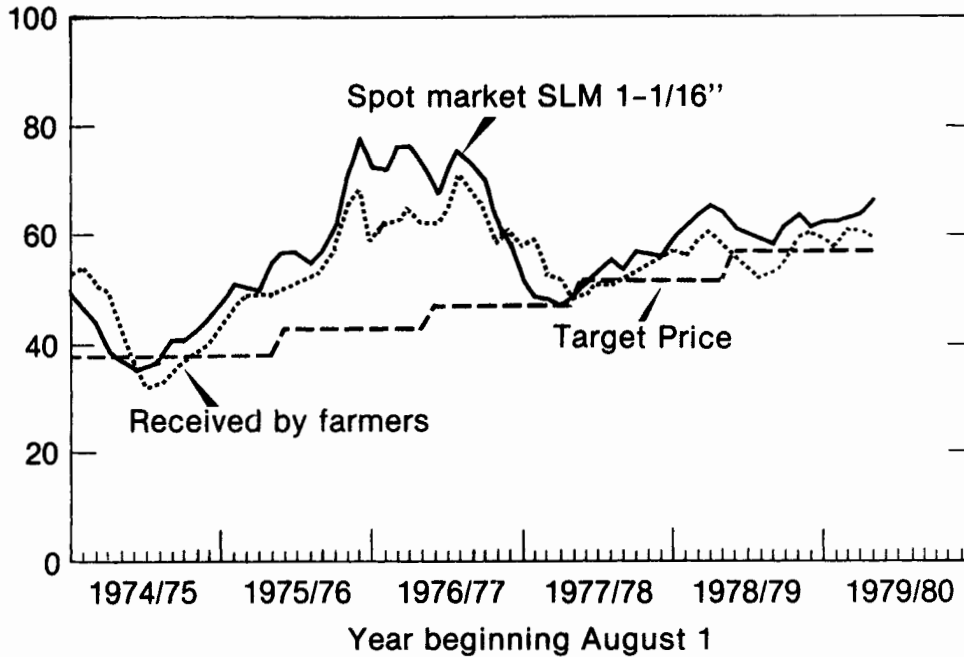
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acrylic staple capacity may decline about 1 percent, while rayon staple capacity may increase slightly.

Domestic shipments of non-glass manmade

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¢ per lb.



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Figure 4

Table 11—Manmade fiber producing capacity: Actual and projected

Item	November 1978 ¹	November 1979 ¹	November 1980 ²	November 1981 ²	Percentage change	
					November 1979-80	November 1980-81
	<i>Million pounds</i>				<i>Percent</i>	
Rayon and acetate						
Yarn	413	430	400	400	-7.0	---
Staple	673	679	679	679	---	---
Total	1,086	1,109	1,079	1,079	-2.7	---
Non-cellulosic						
Yarn	5,000	5,126	5,308	5,486	+3.6	+3.3
Staple	4,571	4,678	4,808	5,097	+2.8	+6.0
Polyester	2,554	2,673	2,708	2,843	+1.3	+5.0
Nylon	1,023	1,020	1,096	1,132	+7.4	+3.3
Other	994	985	1,004	1,122	+1.9	+11.7
Total	9,571	9,804	10,116	10,583	+3.2	+4.6
Textile glass	1,118	1,305	1,529	1,582	+17.2	+3.5
Manmade fibers						
Yarn	6,531	6,861	7,237	7,468	+5.5	+3.2
Staple	5,244	5,357	5,487	5,776	+2.4	+5.3
Total	11,775	12,218	12,724	13,244	+4.1	+4.1

¹Actual producing capacity as of November each year. ²Future producing capacity planned for certain dates as of November 1979.

Compiled from Textile Organon.

fibers totaled about 8.2 billion pounds in 1979, 5 percent above 1978. These shipments were about equally split between filament and staple and both fibers had the same relative increase over 1978. Nylon and polyester fibers continue to be the major manmade fibers, accounting for about three-fourths of the domestic non-glass manmade fiber markets. The fiber carpet market declined 4 percent in the third quarter of 1979 from the record-high second quarter total of 567 million pounds. Nylon's share of this end-use continued at about 71 percent. The use of non-glass manmade filament and staple fibers in woven products totaled a relatively high 642 million pounds in the first quarter. Shipments in the second quarter declined 1 percent, which was followed by a 7-percent drop in the third quarter. Polyester fibers have about 65 percent of this market.

The knit market for non-glass manmade filament and staple fibers increased about 4 percent in the first nine months of 1979, compared to the comparable 1978 period. These knit fiber uses declined 8 percent in the third quarter of 1979 from the two-year high of 496 million pounds in the second quarter. Polyester fibers' share of this market has been about 54 percent with nylon and acrylic fibers accounting, on the average, for about 20 and 18 percent, respectively.

The smaller markets for filament and staple manmade fibers seem to be exhibiting a slower growth if not a decline in some cases. The tire market reached a recent high mark in the first quarter of 1979, taking 152 million pounds. It then declined an average of 15 percent in both the second and third quarters, reflecting the decline in domestic automobile production and the resulting smaller tire production. Nylon and polyester are the fibers used in tire manufacture. Nonwoven uses reached a record high of 91 million pounds in the second quarter of 1979. The third quarter use declined 6 percent. Rayon and polyester staple continue to be the major fibers for this purpose. The rope and cordage market for filament fibers has been a growing market in recent years, reaching a record high of 41 million pounds in the second quarter of 1979 prior to declining to 34 million pounds in the third quarter. Olefin fibers make up about 65 percent of this market and nylon fibers about 25 percent.

The export market has become increasingly important. In 1979, about 891 million pounds of (filament plus staple) nylon, acrylic, and polyester fibers were exported, an increase of 50 percent from 1978. These exports represented about 11 percent of producers' total shipments last year, compared to 8 percent in 1978.

WOOL SITUATION

WORLD OVERVIEW

Wool Clip and Sheep Flocks Increase

The latest estimate of 1979/80 world wool production is about 3,320 million pounds, clean, 1.3 percent more than the previous year. It is the largest output in five years and is a response to an improved longer-term economic outlook for the sheep industry and better weather this season. Australian flocks in March 1979 were 3 percent above a year earlier. Reports from there indicate that a gradual rebuilding over the next few years may occur with flocks possibly reaching 150 million head, an increase of about 10 percent from the current year. New Zealand sheep numbers rose 2½ percent in mid-1979 from 1978 as a result of favorable economic and climatic conditions. Reports from China indicate a 5.3-percent expansion in their flocks by the end of 1978 despite a serious drought in parts of the country. In Russia, currently the leading sheep raising country, Italy, and the United Kingdom, flocks continued to expand but at a slower rate. The large

decline in sheep numbers in the United States since the mid-sixties appears to have stopped. Elsewhere, the full effect of an extended drought in the sheep-raising areas of South Africa is unknown.

Available world supplies of raw wool have declined every year since 1975/76 when the total supply was estimated at 3,924 million pounds. This year, the world wool supply is estimated at 3,520 million pounds, clean, with a carry-in of nearly 200 million. For 1978/79, the total wool supply was 3,593 million pounds.

The latest data available reveal that consumption of virgin wool in nine major wool textile manufacturing countries in the first nine months of 1979 was 1,075 million pounds, clean, 3.5 percent above the comparable 1978 period. Consumption during 1978 was 1,375 million pounds, clean, 5.2 percent below 1977.

The relatively narrow "spread" between production and consumption this year may be seen in the decline of the Australian Wool Corporation's (AWC) stockpile from 77 million pounds on July 1, 1979, to an estimated 35-40 million in late January 1980.

Foreign Wool Prices

Foreign wool prices, as measured by the AWC Market Indicator, after declining from the mid-October high of A 414 cents per pound to A 376 cents in early December, rose to 408 by late January. Australian wool, type 62, a fine grade wool, was priced in January 1979 at U.S. \$2.12 per pound, unchanged from the last half of 1978. It rose each month in 1979 until the price peaked at \$2.83 per pound in October and declined to \$2.55 in December after large sales to Japan and East Europe (figure 5). Type 433, a medium grade Australian wool, followed the same pattern. It rose from \$2.03 per pound in January to a peak of \$2.22 in October and declined to \$2.12 in December.

U.S. SITUATION

Sheep Numbers Increase

Sheep and lambs on U.S. farms and ranches totaled 12.5 million head on January 1, 1980, up 2 percent from a year earlier, and the first increase in sheep numbers since 1960. The value of all sheep and lambs on January 1, 1980, was \$974 million, up 11 percent from a year earlier. Sheep producers are tending to build their flocks. Ewes one year and older increased 1.7 percent last year, numbering 8,385 million at the beginning of 1980. At that time, there were also 1.77 million ewe lambs, 7 percent more than a year earlier. The number of sheep and lambs slaughtered in 1979 was 5.02 million, down 7 percent from 1978.

Wool Consumption Down Slightly

Mill consumption during the first 11 months of 1979 was 102.5 million pounds, 4 percent less than in the comparable 1978 period. Apparel wool consumption was 93.1 million pounds, 2 percent less than the year earlier period while carpet wool consumption was 9.5 million, 22 percent less than January-November 1978 (table 12).

Mill consumption for 1979 likely exceeded the average annual quantity used by mills during the 5-year period 1974-1978. Mill use last year likely totaled about 111 million pounds based on 11 months data, 1.2 percent above the 5-year average. Apparel use is estimated to have amounted to 101 million pounds, 6.5 percent above the 5-year average. Carpet use for 1979 was around 10 million pounds, 68 percent of the 5-year average. The quantity of wool consumed on the worsted system is estimated to have totaled nearly 50 percent less than during 1978 and 5 percent less than the 5-year average. Wool consumed on the woolen system is estimated at about 53 million pounds, 0.5 percent more than in 1978 and 18 percent more than during 1974-1978.

Table 12—U.S. mill consumption of raw wool, scoured basis

Year	Apparel wool	Carpet wool	Total
	1,000 pounds		
1970	163,652	76,609	240,261
1971	116,310	75,151	191,461
1972	142,233	76,368	218,601
1973	109,872	41,394	151,266
1974	74,856	18,595	93,451
1975	94,117	15,908	110,025
1976	106,629	15,117	121,746
1977	95,485	12,526	108,011
1978	102,246	13,009	115,255
Jan.-Nov.			
1978	94,792	12,186	106,978
1979 ¹	93,056	9,466	102,522

¹ Preliminary.

Compiled from reports of the Bureau of the Census.

Domestic consumption (U.S. mill use of apparel wool plus the raw wool content of net apparel imports) was estimated to be 185 million pounds in 1979, 10 percent below 1978 but 13.5 percent above the 1974-1978 average. On a per capita basis, apparel domestic consumption in 1979 was 0.84 pounds, down from 0.94 in 1978 but slightly above the average of recent years. The drop in net textile imports in 1979 caused most of this decline. Textile product imports declined in 1979 because of the depreciation of the dollar. Imports of raw wool have lessened for several years because of their higher price than domestic wool (figure 6). Per capita mill consumption last year of 0.46 was down slightly, continuing the trend of recent years (figure 7).

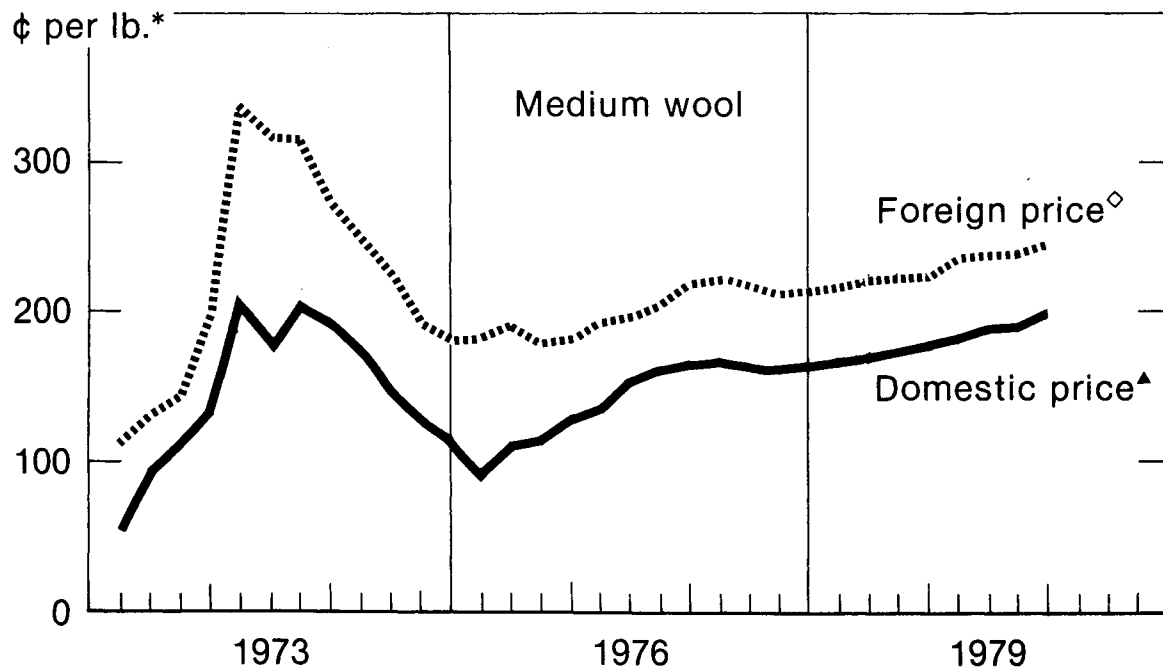
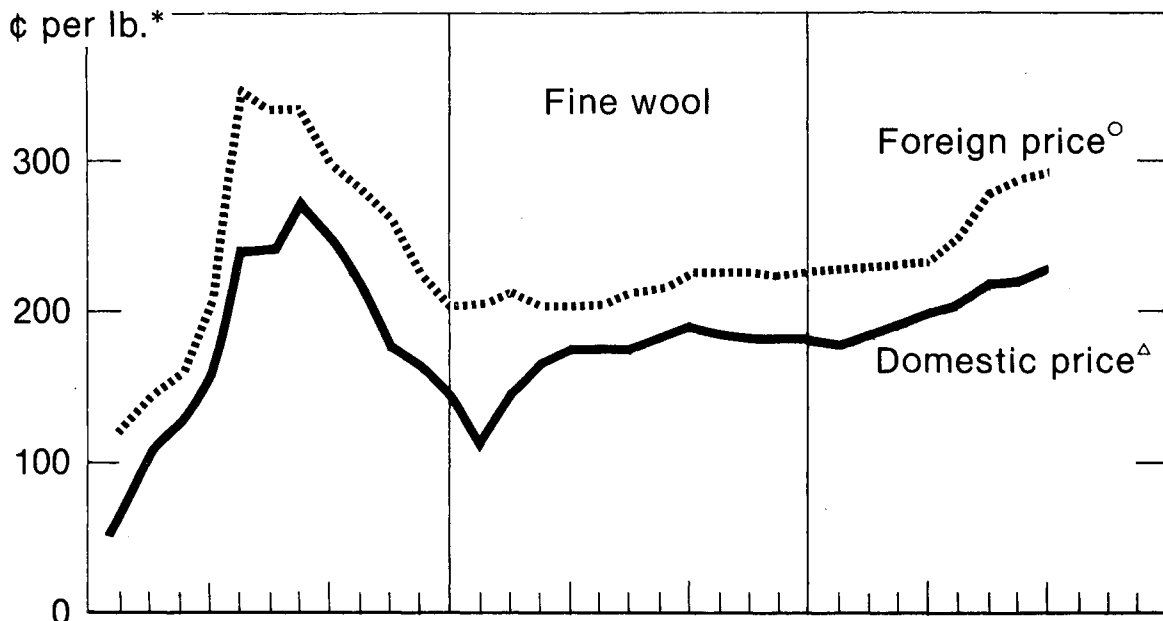
Seasonally adjusted weekly rates of wool mill fiber use are shown in figure 8. A downward trend existed for wool mill total fiber use during the first eleven months of 1979, in contrast to a very slight upward trend for recent years. Use of manmade fibers, which constitute more than 70 percent of fibers used in wool mills, also declined slightly in 1979. Use of other fibers dropped 4.1 percent in 1979.

Wool Prices Increase

The average price of shorn wool, grease basis, received by farmers in 1979 ranged between 77.0 cents per pound in February and 90.2 cents in November (table 13). The support price in 1979 was \$1.15 per pound, indicating an estimated incentive payment rate of about 40 percent. The support price in 1980 is \$1.23 per pound.

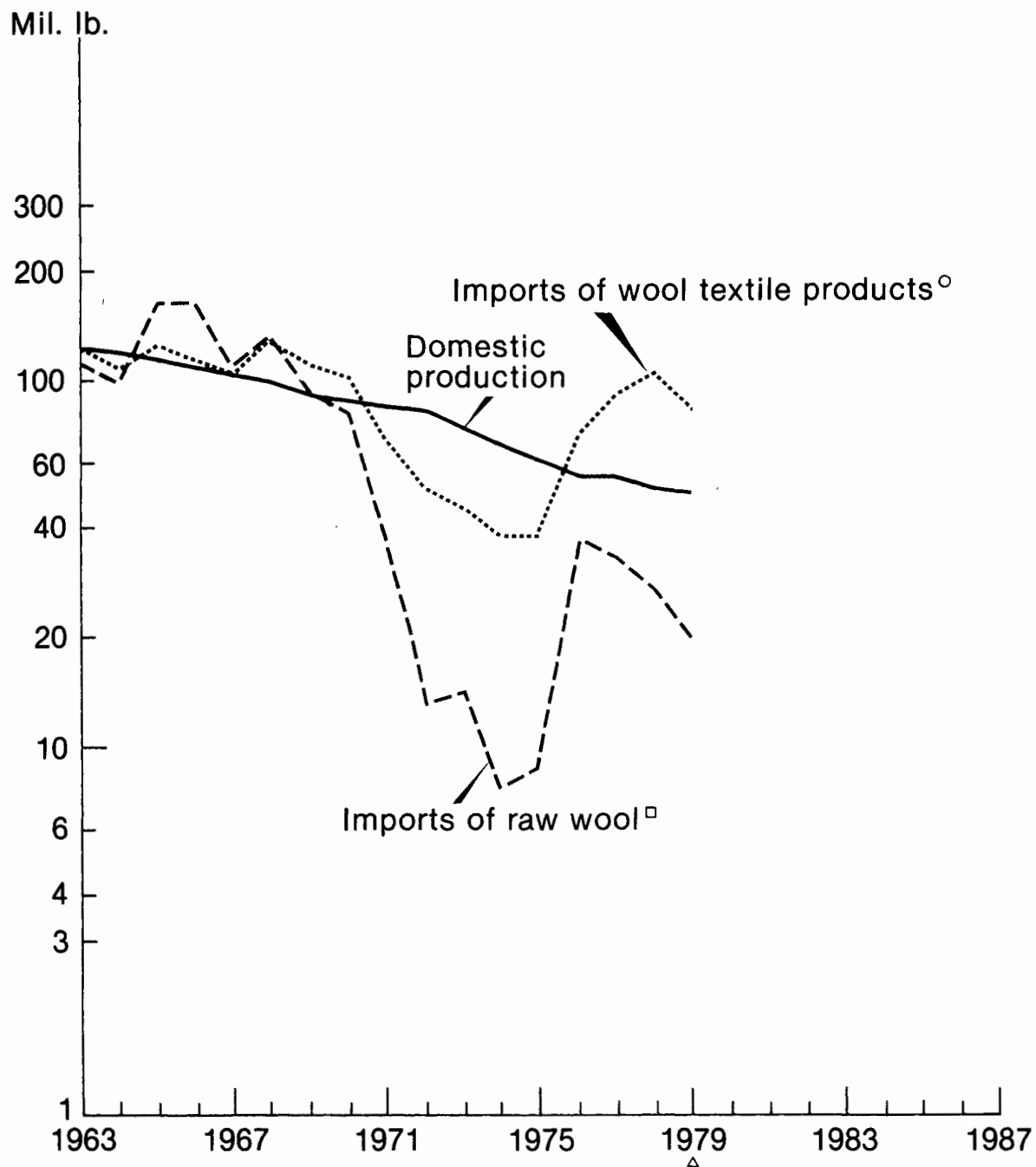
Domestic prices of wool, clean basis, delivered to mills increased during the year from an average of \$2.03 per pound for fine grades in the first quarter to a high of \$2.32 in the fourth quarter and from

Wool Prices



*Clean basis. ◊Australian 64's, type 62 duty-paid, delivered to U.S. mills. ▲Graded territory 64's (20.60-22.04 microns) staple 2¾" and up delivered to U.S. mills. ◊Australian 58/60's, type 432/3 duty-paid delivered to U.S. mills. ▲Graded territory 58's (24.95-26.39 microns) staple 3¾" and up, and 60's (23.50-24.94 microns) staple 3" and up delivered to U.S. mills.

U.S. Production and Import Trade Balance of Wool and Wool Products*



◊ Import trade balance of apparel class raw wool and wool textile products.

* Clean basis. ◻ Shorn and pulled wool. ◻ Preliminary.

Table 13—Average U.S. farm prices per pound for shorn wool, grease basis

Month	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980 ¹
	<i>Cents</i>				
January	50.7	72.9	72.6	77.7	83.6
February	58.4	72.5	68.9	77.0	
March	59.5	72.4	71.2	77.5	
April	64.4	72.5	73.7	84.1	
May	65.1	71.9	73.9	88.3	
June	68.1	73.7	76.2	87.1	
July	68.3	72.3	74.8	83.7	
August	67.0	70.4	74.6	83.1	
September	68.2	66.4	72.7	80.2	
October	70.8	71.3	77.1	89.6	
November	71.2	70.6	81.2	90.2	
December	69.5	69.3	73.6	82.1	
Weighted season average	44.7	65.7	72.0	¹ 74.5	

¹ Preliminary.

\$1.81 to \$2.01 for medium grades. Shearing started in Arizona in January, beginning the new season.

New Wool Duties

Beginning January 1, 1980, wool import duties were reduced. The duty on grease wool is now 20 cents per pound clean, 22 cents on scoured wool clean, and 26 cents on carbonized wool clean. These duties will be reduced 5 cents per pound each year through 1982 and then remain at that level when the duties will be 10, 11, and 13 cents per pound, respectively. The duties up through 1979 were 25.5, 27.75, and 33 cents per pound, clean, respectively.

MOHAIR SITUATION

During 1979, the price of mohair dropped such that the fourth-quarter price of adult hair, about \$4.00 per pound, was two-thirds the level of the first-quarter price. Yearling price dropped in the same time period to \$4.88 per pound from \$6.93 and the price of kid from \$7.87 to \$6.89. Market reports indicate that the present price of adult mohair is about \$3.65 per pound. This depressed price is a reflection of generally reduced economic activity abroad, especially within the textile industry, and high interest rates. Overseas mills have been reluctant to maintain normal inventories and do not purchase raw materials until sales of their textile products have been assured.

A mohair support price of \$2.903 per pound for

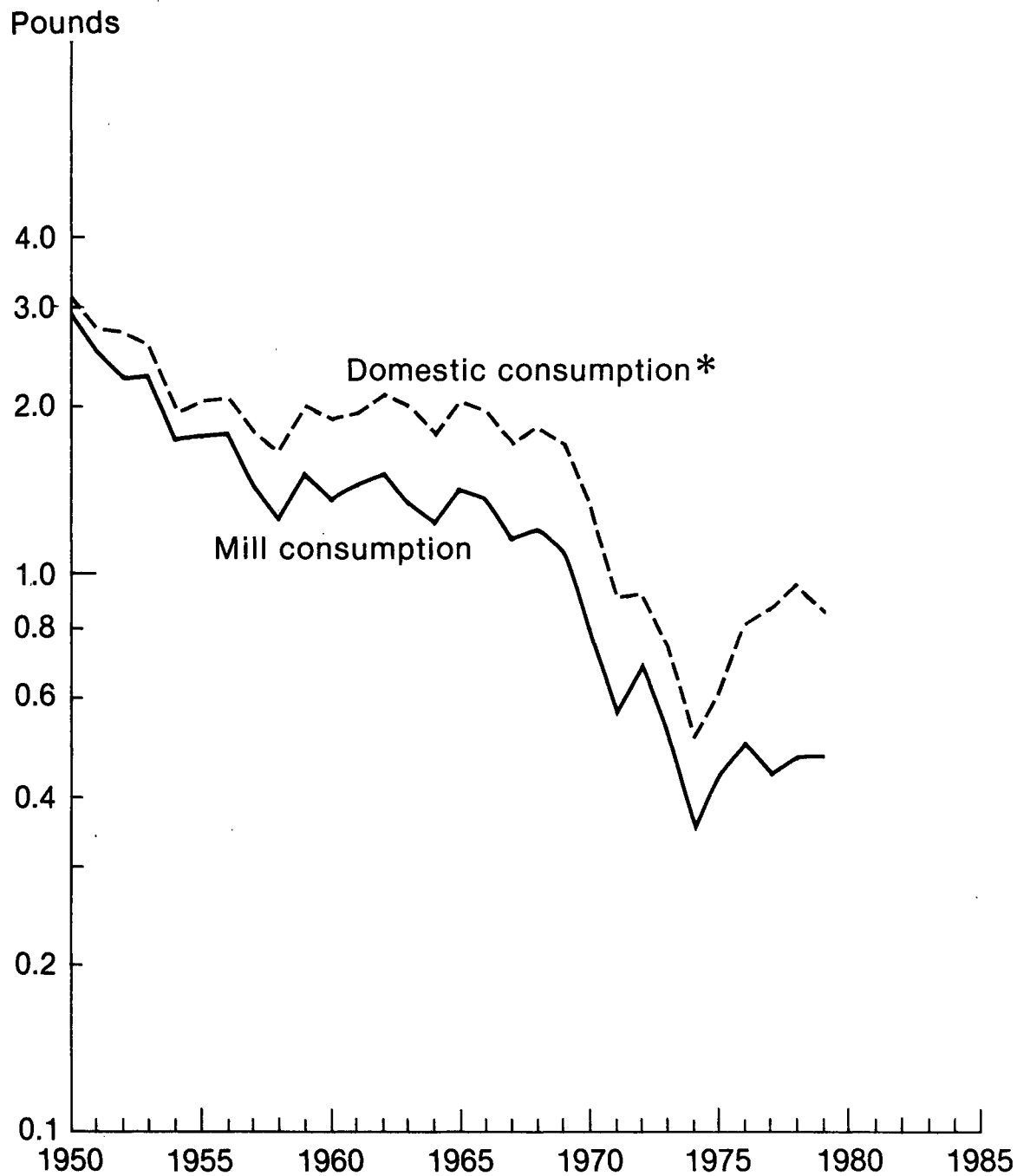
1980 has been announced. It was \$1.943 per pound in 1979 and \$1.647 in 1978. The 1980 mohair support price reflects two factors. The parity price increased to \$4.19 in January 1980 from a 1979 range of \$3.85 in March to \$4.06 in December. In 1978, parity ranged from \$2.85 in March to \$3.02 in December. Secondly, mohair is being supported in 1980 at 72.4 percent of parity, the same parity at which wool is supported. In 1979, mohair was supported at 85 percent of the percent of parity at which wool was supported.

Mohair production in 1979 is estimated by industry sources to have been at least 8.4 million pounds. Production in 1980 should increase because of the 3-percent increase in Texas Angora goats from 1.05 million on January 1, 1979, to 1.08 million on January 1, 1980. The Texas clip has started. About 500,000 pounds have been shorn and shearing should be completed by mid-March. World production is expected to increase to about 37 million pounds in 1980 from 33.8 million in 1979. Estimates of production in million pounds by countries for both respective years are: United States, 10 and 9; South Africa, 11.5 and 11; Turkey, 11 and 10; Lesotho, 1.2 and 1; Argentina, 3.0 and 2.5; and Australia, 0.4 and 0.3.

The world carryover of mohair on January 1, 1979, was extremely small. By the year's end, however, it had grown to about 7 million pounds. The January 1, 1980, U.S. carryover was 1.5 million pounds, of which 600,000 pounds were from the Spring 1979 clip and 900,000 pounds from the Fall 1979 clip. In South Africa, the carryover is estimated to be 1.2 million pounds, mostly from the Fall 1979 clip. In Turkey, the carryover is believed to be 5 million pounds and in Argentina about 2 million.

U.S. mohair exports in December totaled 717,723 pounds, valued at \$2.5 million. About 46 percent went to the United Kingdom, 20 percent to France, and 12 percent each to West Germany and Italy. During 1979, mohair exports were 6½ million pounds, valued at \$30 million. Two-thirds of the quantity exported went to the United Kingdom, 9 percent to France, 6 percent to Japan, and 5 percent to Italy and Spain. By comparison, exports in 1978 were 6.6 million pounds, valued at \$25 million. About 77 percent of the quantity exported went to the United Kingdom, 7 percent to France, 5 percent to Spain, 3 percent to Italy, and 2 percent to Japan.

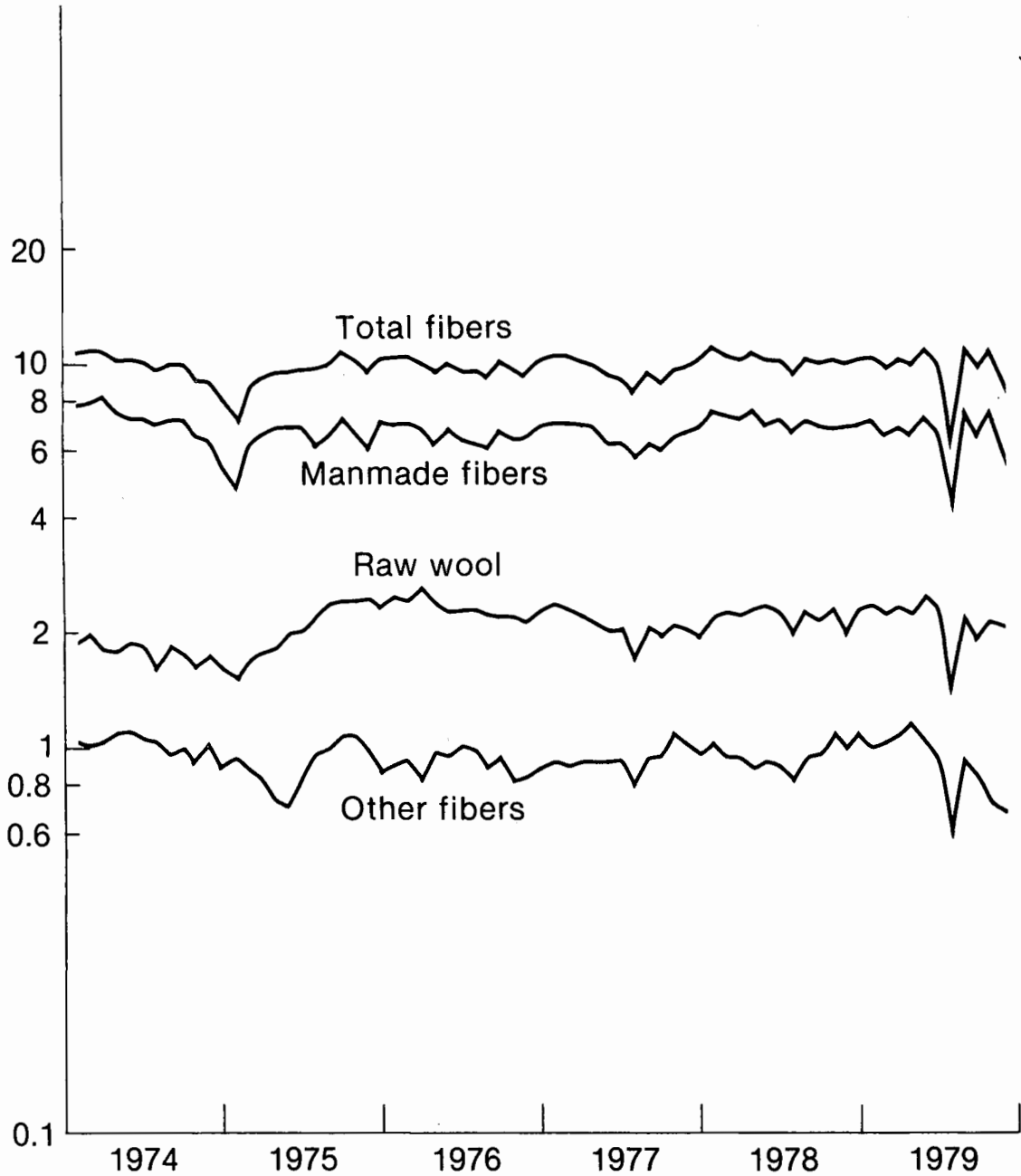
U.S. Per Capita Consumption of Apparel Wool



*Mill consumption plus raw wool equivalent of net imports of apparel wool textiles.

Wool Mill Fiber Use* Seasonally Adjusted Weekly Rates

Mil. lb.



* Scoured basis for raw wool.

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Figure 8

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Table 14 —Cotton: World supply and distribution*

Year beginning August 1	Supply			Distribution		
	Beginning stocks ¹	Production	Imports	Consumption ²	Exports	Ending stocks ¹
<i>Million bales³</i>						
United States						
1972	3.3	13.7	(⁴)	7.8	5.3	4.2
1973	4.2	13.0	(⁴)	7.5	6.1	3.8
1974	3.8	11.5	(⁴)	5.9	3.9	5.7
1975	5.7	8.3	1	7.3	3.3	3.7
1976	3.7	10.6	(⁴)	6.7	4.8	2.9
1977	2.9	14.4	(⁴)	6.5	5.5	5.3
1978 ⁵	5.3	10.9	(⁴)	6.4	6.2	4.0
1979 ⁶	4.0	14.9	(⁴)	6.4	7.5	5.0
Foreign non-communist						
1972	12.0	28.3	15.3	29.7	12.5	13.2
1973	13.2	27.5	14.7	31.1	10.0	14.1
1974	14.1	29.0	12.6	29.0	9.7	16.8
1975	16.8	23.2	15.0	31.2	11.7	12.0
1976	12.0	24.7	13.7	30.7	8.3	11.1
1977	11.1	27.3	14.8	30.4	9.4	13.1
1978 ⁵	13.1	26.6	14.1	31.7	9.4	12.5
1979 ⁶	12.5	27.1	14.5	32.5	9.5	12.1
Communist						
1972	6.6	20.9	5.6	22.9	3.3	6.8
1973	6.8	22.8	5.4	23.9	3.5	7.7
1974	7.7	23.8	4.4	23.8	3.8	8.3
1975	8.3	22.4	4.4	22.7	4.1	8.3
1976	8.3	22.1	4.3	23.6	4.5	6.7
1977	6.7	22.2	5.2	24.3	4.3	5.5
1978 ⁵	5.5	22.3	5.7	24.7	3.8	5.0
1979 ⁶	5.0	23.1	6.5	25.2	4.1	5.2
Foreign total						
1972	18.6	49.2	20.9	52.6	15.8	20.0
1973	20.0	50.3	20.1	55.0	13.5	21.8
1974	21.8	52.8	17.0	52.8	13.5	25.1
1975	25.1	45.6	19.4	53.9	15.8	20.3
1976	20.3	46.8	18.0	54.3	12.8	17.8
1977	17.8	49.5	20.0	54.7	13.7	18.6
1978 ⁵	18.6	48.9	19.8	56.4	13.2	17.5
1979 ⁶	17.5	50.2	21.0	57.7	13.6	17.3
World						
1972	21.9	62.9	20.9	60.4	21.1	24.2
1973	24.2	63.3	20.1	62.5	19.6	25.6
1974	25.6	64.3	17.0	58.7	17.4	30.8
1975	30.8	53.9	19.5	61.2	19.1	24.0
1976	24.0	57.4	18.0	61.0	17.6	20.7
1977	20.7	63.9	20.0	61.2	19.2	23.9
1978 ⁵	23.9	59.8	19.8	62.8	19.4	21.5
1979 ⁶	21.5	65.1	21.0	64.1	21.1	22.3

¹ Excludes preseason ginnings; ² Includes cotton destroyed and unaccounted for. ³ Bales of 480-pound net. ⁴ Less than 50,000 bales. ⁵ Preliminary. ⁶ Estimated.

*Foreign data as of January 22, 1980.

Bureau of the Census, and Foreign Agricultural Service.

Table 15—Cotton: Acreage, planted and harvested, production, and yield per acre on harvested acreage, by regions

Crop year beginning August 1	West ¹		Southwest ²		Delta ³		Southeast ⁴		Total	
	1,000 acres	Percent of total	1,000 acres	Percent of total	1,000 acres	Percent of total	1,000 acres	Percent of total	1,000 acres	
Planted acreage ⁵										
1970	1,098	9.2	5,777	48.4	3,560	29.8	1,510	12.6	11,945	
1971	1,206	9.8	5,711	46.2	3,842	31.1	1,596	12.9	12,355	
1972	1,346	9.6	6,158	44.0	4,807	34.3	1,689	12.1	14,001	
1973	1,412	11.3	5,979	47.9	3,647	29.2	1,442	11.6	12,480	
1974	1,844	13.5	5,804	42.4	4,546	33.2	1,485	10.9	13,679	
1975	1,309	13.8	4,735	49.9	2,716	28.6	733	7.7	9,493	
1976	1,577	13.5	5,159	44.3	3,952	33.9	968	8.3	11,656	
1977	2,101	15.3	7,208	52.6	3,471	25.4	914	6.7	13,694	
1978	2,207	16.5	7,584	56.8	2,965	22.2	604	4.5	13,360	
1979 ⁹	2,473	17.7	8,331	59.4	2,560	18.3	642	4.6	14,006	
Harvested acreage										
1970	1,079	9.7	5,346	47.9	3,355	30.1	1,375	12.3	11,155	
1971	1,180	10.3	5,132	44.7	3,708	32.3	1,451	12.7	11,471	
1972	1,328	10.2	5,544	42.7	4,578	35.3	1,534	11.8	12,984	
1973	1,399	11.7	5,757	48.1	3,448	28.8	1,366	11.4	11,970	
1974	1,821	14.5	4,980	39.7	4,320	34.4	1,426	11.4	12,547	
1975	1,271	14.5	4,219	48.0	2,616	29.7	690	7.8	8,796	
1976	1,562	14.3	4,843	44.4	3,611	33.1	898	8.2	10,914	
1977	2,086	15.7	6,992	52.6	3,388	25.6	808	6.1	13,275	
1978	2,151	17.4	6,813	55.1	2,832	22.9	574	4.6	12,370	
1979 ⁹	2,422	18.7	7,510	57.9	2,415	18.6	620	4.8	12,967	
Production										
	1,000 bales ⁶	Percent of total	1,000 bales ⁶	Percent of total	1,000 bales ⁶	Percent of total	1,000 bales ⁶	Percent of total	1,000 bales ⁶	
1970	1,796	17.6	3,402	33.4	3,819	37.5	1,175	11.5	10,192	
1971	1,780	17.0	2,791	26.6	4,468	42.7	1,438	13.7	10,477	
1972	2,593	18.9	4,609	33.6	5,139	37.5	1,363	10.0	13,704	
1973	2,550	19.7	5,126	39.5	3,990	30.7	1,308	10.1	12,974	
1974	3,806	33.0	2,796	24.2	3,576	31.0	1,362	11.8	11,540	
1975	2,640	31.8	2,563	30.9	2,491	30.0	607	7.3	8,302	
1976	3,444	32.6	3,489	32.9	2,874	27.2	773	7.3	10,851	
1977	4,100	28.5	5,936	41.2	3,827	26.6	527	3.7	14,389	
1978	3,177	29.3	4,174	38.4	2,939	27.1	566	5.2	10,856	
1979 ⁹	4,913	33.0	6,241	42.0	3,081	20.7	638	4.3	14,873	
Yield per acre on harvested acreage										
	West ¹		Southwest ²		Delta ³		Southeast ⁴		United States	
	Pounds ⁷	Pounds ⁸	Pounds ⁷	Pounds ⁸	Pounds ⁷	Pounds ⁸	Pounds ⁷	Pounds ⁸	Pounds ⁷	Pounds ⁸
1970	798	875	306	332	546	552	410	403	438	464
1971	724	841	261	337	578	549	476	427	438	467
1972	937	867	399	333	539	523	427	446	507	469
1973	875	907	427	330	555	505	459	447	520	472
1974	1,003	974	270	347	397	466	459	435	442	477
1975	997	975	292	348	457	466	422	412	453	480
1976	1,059	942	346	322	382	455	413	416	465	460
1977	943	936	407	348	541	498	313	423	520	482
1978	709		294		498		473		421	
1979 ⁹	974		399		612		494		551	

¹ California, Arizona, New Mexico, and Nevada. ² Texas and Oklahoma. ³ Missouri, Arkansas, Tennessee, Mississippi, Louisiana, Illinois, and Kentucky. ⁴ Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, and Alabama. ⁵ Not adjusted for final acreage compliance with allotments. ⁶ 480-pound net weight bales. ⁷ Actual yield per acre. ⁸ Yield trend the 5-year centered average. ⁹ Crop Reporting Board report, January 10, 1980, planted acreage from January 15, 1980 report.

Table 16—Cotton: Acreage, production, and yield, by States

State	Harvested acres				Lint yield per harvested acre				Production			
	Average 1974-78	1978	1979 ¹	Change from 1978	Average 1974-78	1978	1979 ¹	Change from 1978	Average 1974-78	1978	1979 ¹	Change from 1978
	<i>1,000 acres</i>	<i>1,000 acres</i>	<i>1,000 acres</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Pounds</i>	<i>Pounds</i>	<i>Pounds</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 bales²</i>	<i>1,000 bales²</i>	<i>1,000 bales²</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Alabama	417	315	310	-1.6	402	443	495	+11.7	350	291	320	+10.0
Arizona	444	572	643	+12.4	1,046	941	1,060	+12.7	960	1,122	1,420	+26.6
Arkansas	890	760	550	-27.6	440	417	532	+27.6	807	660	610	-7.6
California	1,215	1,455	1,635	+12.4	957	640	992	+55.0	2,352	1,940	3,380	+74.2
Georgia	219	115	150	+30.4	405	463	496	+7.1	191	111	155	+39.6
Louisiana	511	510	465	-8.8	493	450	712	+58.2	518	478	690	+44.4
Mississippi	1,358	1,150	1,030	-10.4	486	575	676	+17.6	1,361	1,378	1,450	+5.2
Missouri	248	182	140	-23.1	404	496	545	+9.9	202	188	159	-15.4
New Mexico	116	123	143	+16.3	486	446	374	-16.1	119	114	112	-1.8
North Carolina	78	42	45	+7.1	432	514	469	-8.8	69	45	44	-2.2
Oklahoma	456	585	580	-.9	298	291	430	+47.8	289	355	520	+46.5
South Carolina	157	98	111	+13.3	456	563	497	-11.7	148	115	115	---
Tennessee	345	230	230	---	364	490	359	-26.7	249	235	172	-26.8
Texas	5,113	6,228	6,930	+11.3	323	294	396	+34.7	3,502	3,819	5,721	+49.8
Other States ³	10	5	5	---	481	461	512	+11.1	10	5	5	---
Upland	11,511.6	12,294.0	12,880.7	+4.8	459	420	551	+31.2	11,050.6	10,762.4	14,775.3	+37.3
American-Pima ⁴	68.6	76.0	85.9	+13.0	585	590	545	-7.6	82.8	93.4	97.6	+4.5
United States	11,580.2	12,370.0	12,966.6	+4.8	460	421	551	+30.9	11,133.4	10,855.8	14,872.9	+37.0

¹ Preliminary. ² Bales of 480-pounds net weight. ³ Includes Virginia, Florida, Illinois, Kentucky, Kansas, and Nevada. ⁴ Included in State and United States totals.

Crop Reporting Board report of January 10, 1980.

Table 17—Cotton: Supply and disappearance, by type, United States

Year beginning August 1	Supply				Disappearance			Difference unaccounted ⁵	Ending stocks July 31
	Beginning stocks August 1 ¹	Production ²	Imports	Total ³	Mill consumption ⁴	Exports	Total ³		
<i>1,000 480-pound net weight bales⁶</i>									
<i>All kinds</i>									
1969	6,544	9,990	52	16,586	8,114	2,878	10,992	249	5,843
1970	5,843	10,192	37	16,072	8,204	3,897	12,101	232	4,203
1971	4,203	10,477	72	14,752	8,259	3,385	11,644	150	3,258
1972	3,258	13,704	34	16,996	7,769	5,311	13,080	305	4,221
1973	4,221	12,974	48	17,243	7,472	6,123	13,595	160	3,808
1974	3,808	11,540	34	15,382	5,860	3,926	9,786	112	5,708
1975	5,708	8,302	92	14,102	7,250	3,311	10,561	140	3,681
1976	3,681	10,581	38	14,300	6,674	4,784	11,458	86	2,928
1977	2,928	14,389	5	17,322	6,483	5,484	11,967	-8	5,347
1978	5,347	10,856	4	16,207	6,352	6,180	12,532	283	3,958
1979 ⁸	3,958	⁹ 14,873	15	18,846	6,365	8,040	14,405	100	4,541
<i>Upland</i>									
1969	6,377	9,913	30	16,320	8,001	2,863	10,864	271	5,727
1970	5,727	10,135	11	15,873	8,105	3,885	11,990	251	4,134
1971	4,134	10,379	42	14,555	8,163	3,376	11,539	166	3,182
1972	3,182	13,608	22	16,812	7,670	5,306	12,976	317	4,153
1973	4,153	12,896	26	17,075	7,384	6,111	13,495	173	3,753
1974	3,753	11,450	24	15,227	5,797	3,914	9,711	133	5,649
1975	5,649	8,247	36	13,932	7,160	3,300	10,460	143	3,615
1976	3,615	10,517	19	14,151	6,595	4,779	11,374	102	2,879
1977	2,879	14,277	1	17,157	6,416	5,459	11,875	-4	5,278
1978	5,278	10,762	2	16,042	6,286	6,150	12,436	299	3,905
1979 ⁸	3,905	⁹ 14,775	10	18,690	6,300	8,000	14,300	110	4,500
<i>Extra-long staple¹⁰</i>									
1969	167	77	22	266	113	15	128	-22	116
1970	116	57	26	199	99	12	111	-19	69
1971	69	98	30	197	96	9	105	-16	76
1972	76	96	11	183	99	5	104	-11	68
1973	68	78	21	167	88	12	100	-12	55
1974	55	90	10	155	63	12	75	-21	59
1975	59	55	56	170	90	11	101	-3	66
1976	66	64	19	149	79	5	84	-16	49
1977	49	112	4	165	67	25	92	-4	69
1978	69	93	2	164	66	30	96	-15	53
1979 ⁸	53	⁹ 98	5	156	65	40	105	-10	41

¹ Compiled from Bureau of the Census data and adjusted to an August 1 480-pound net weight basis. Excludes preseason ginnings.

² Includes preseason ginnings. ³ Totals made from unrounded data. ⁴ Adjusted to August 1-July 31 marketing year. ⁵ Difference between ending stocks based on Census data and preceding season's supply less disappearance. For upland cotton, this difference primarily reflects and increase of an estimated 1 percent in average bale weight due to moisture absorption once cotton is ginned and begins to flow through marketing channels. Additional moisture is absorbed by cotton moving in export channels. For ELS cotton, this difference reflects, in part, reporting discrepancies for stocks, mill consumption, and exports. ⁶ Factors used to convert running bales to equivalent 480-pound net weight bales for carryover and consumption of domestic cotton are based on the relationship between 480 pounds and the gin weight of a running bale, raised by 1 percent (moisture factor). ⁷ Includes small amount destroyed. ⁸ Preliminary and estimated. ⁹ Crop Reporting Board report of January 10, 1980. ¹⁰ Includes American Pima, Sea Island, and foreign grown ELS cotton.

Table 18—Cotton: Supply and disappearance of all kinds; by months, United States¹

Date	Supply					Disappearance					
	Beginning stocks ²				Ginnings ³	Imports	Total	Mill consumption ⁴	Exports	Total	Ending stocks ⁵
	At mills	In public storage	Other ⁷	Total							
<i>1,000 480-pound net weight bales</i>											
1977/78											
August	1,089	1,850	-11	2,928	712	1	3,641	587	190	777	2,864
September	1,006	1,835	23	2,864	1,704	1	4,569	549	209	758	3,811
October	916	2,729	166	3,811	5,277	1	9,089	555	155	710	8,379
November	863	6,467	1,049	8,379	4,328	(⁸)	12,707	573	348	921	11,786
December	899	9,512	1,375	11,786	1,850	0	12,636	507	520	1,027	12,609
January	990	10,666	953	12,609	354	0	12,963	564	546	1,110	11,853
February	975	10,037	841	11,853	164	(⁸)	12,017	522	528	1,050	10,967
March	994	9,073	900	10,967	—	(⁸)	10,967	594	742	1,336	9,631
April	1,055	7,712	864	9,631	—	0	9,631	505	673	1,178	8,453
May	1,085	6,562	806	8,453	—	(⁸)	8,453	580	538	1,118	7,335
June	1,140	5,537	658	7,335	—	1	7,336	524	556	1,080	6,256
July	1,152	4,598	506	6,256	—	(⁸)	6,256	420	481	902	5,347
Season	1,089	1,850	-11	2,928	14,389	5	17,322	6,483	5,484	11,993	5,347
1978/79											
August	1,167	3,966	214	5,347	691	0	6,038	554	553	1,107	4,931
September	1,109	3,604	218	4,931	842	(⁸)	5,773	497	410	907	4,866
October	1,073	3,569	224	4,866	3,259	(⁸)	8,125	426	298	724	7,401
November	1,056	5,526	819	7,401	2,067	0	9,468	669	374	1,043	8,425
December	1,043	6,483	899	8,425	2,724	0	11,149	477	490	967	10,182
January	1,093	8,179	910	10,182	753	(⁸)	10,935	578	544	1,122	9,813
February	1,093	8,007	713	9,813	520	1	10,334	491	610	1,101	9,233
March	1,114	7,168	951	9,233	—	1	9,234	576	606	1,182	8,052
April	1,144	6,280	628	8,052	—	2	8,054	511	640	1,151	6,903
May	1,140	5,271	492	6,903	—	(⁸)	6,903	576	573	1,149	5,754
June	1,109	4,344	301	5,754	—	0	5,754	535	649	1,184	4,570
July	1,009	3,413	148	4,570	—	(⁸)	4,570	461	433	894	3,958
Season	1,167	3,966	214	5,347	10,856	4	16,207	6,352	6,180	12,532	3,958
1979/80											
August	966	2,711	281	3,958	554	2	4,514	555	489	1,044	3,470
September	884	2,287	299	3,470	388	0	3,858	502	452	954	2,904
October	780	1,956	168	2,904	3,992	(⁸)	6,896	602	411	1,013	5,883
November	675	3,941	1,267	5,883	5,295	(⁸)	11,178	552	663	1,215	9,963
December ⁹	757	7,152	2,054	9,963	2,866	0	12,829	472	945	1,417	11,412
January ⁹	866	8,445	2,101	11,412							
February											
March											
April											
May											
June											
July											
Season	966	2,711	281	3,958							

¹ Compiled from Bureau of the Census data and adjusted to a 480-pound net weight basis. ² August stocks adjusted to an August 1 basis and exclude pre-season ginnings. ³ August data include pre-season ginnings. ⁴ Adjusted to a calendar month. ⁵ Supply less disappearance. End of season stocks adjusted by Bureau of the Census data. Differences primarily reflect varying bale weights. ⁶ Adjusted to 480-pound bales by use of monthly conversion factors for mill stocks. ⁷ Primarily cotton on farms and in transit. ⁸ Estimated by subtracting public storage and mill stocks from total stocks. ⁹ Less than 500 bales. ⁹ Preliminary.

Table 19—Cotton: Exports by staple length and by countries of destination, United States

Country of destination	October 1979				November 1979				December 1979				Cumulative August 1979 - December 1979			
	1-1/8 inches and over ¹	1 inch to 1-1/8 inches	Under 1 inch	Total	1-1/8 inches and over ¹	1 inch to 1-1/8 inches	Under 1 inch	Total	1-1/8 inches and over ¹	1 inch to 1-1/8 inches	Under 1 inch	Total	1-1/8 inches and over ¹	1 inch to 1-1/8 inches	Under 1 inch	Total
<i>Running bales</i>																
Europe																
United Kingdom	1,281	2,871	0	4,152	3,965	6,515	15	10,495	4,962	3,842	0	8,804	10,592	20,923	15	31,530
Belgium and Luxembourg	0	1,200	0	1,200	900	517	0	1,417	1,160	1,543	0	2,703	2,200	5,590	0	7,790
Ireland (Erie)	0	840	0	840	0	672	0	672	960	2,145	0	3,105	6,079	5,176	0	11,255
France	595	1,463	110	2,168	3,609	1,677	211	5,497	4,688	5,690	99	10,477	9,415	16,812	1,468	27,695
Germany (West)	2,626	3,010	0	5,636	1,293	6,403	0	7,696	7,184	14,726	0	21,910	13,544	39,925	0	53,469
Italy	1,778	11,861	426	14,065	1,973	15,741	100	17,814	4,625	10,230	990	15,845	9,183	52,981	2,516	64,680
Netherlands	510	939	80	1,529	849	580	0	1,429	435	2,368	80	2,883	1,879	5,428	320	7,627
Norway	0	321	0	321	0	332	0	332	82	849	0	931	82	2,490	0	2,572
Portugal	0	2,351	0	2,351	0	1,254	0	1,254	1,450	2,107	0	3,557	1,450	12,219	0	13,669
Spain	351	1,986	0	2,337	7,357	1,721	0	9,078	8,498	6,062	985	15,545	19,076	12,444	985	32,505
Sweden	0	2,072	0	2,072	0	402	0	402	0	2,786	0	2,786	0	6,970	0	6,970
Switzerland	2,555	3,826	0	6,381	5,028	4,455	621	10,104	4,506	5,594	40	10,140	13,613	19,080	1,682	34,375
Greece	160	450	0	610	5,551	838	0	6,389	8,912	940	0	9,852	14,623	3,169	0	17,792
Romania	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	22,203	4,614	0	26,817	22,203	5,113	0	27,316
Poland	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10,920	0	10,920
Other	5,036	626	0	5,662	0	576	0	576	56	2,785	0	2,841	5,092	9,175	0	14,267
Total Europe	14,892	33,816	616	49,324	30,525	41,683	947	73,155	69,721	66,281	2,194	138,196	129,031	228,415	6,986	364,432
Other countries																
Canada	3,322	17,168	4,087	24,577	1,821	14,501	5,091	21,413	2,529	15,653	921	19,103	12,760	79,677	15,069	107,506
Chile	0	0	0	0	216	0	0	216	0	0	0	0	216	0	0	216
Thailand	350	11,709	2,663	14,722	2,660	15,879	2,177	20,716	983	16,529	4,520	22,032	4,286	72,911	20,148	97,345
Malaysia	258	2,718	100	3,076	834	2,452	0	3,286	1,037	3,142	194	4,373	2,326	15,424	1,023	18,773
India	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Pakistan	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50	0	50
Indonesia	1,122	4,690	487	6,299	1,472	11,517	0	12,989	5,099	29,444	1,314	35,857	11,189	69,931	2,193	83,313
Korea	16,879	69,632	7,661	94,172	14,516	80,772	4,100	99,388	18,566	93,006	3,260	114,832	68,269	391,888	41,401	501,558
Hong Kong	819	28,018	2,238	31,075	5,760	28,419	1,299	35,478	3,877	34,705	3,651	42,233	10,616	153,223	13,388	177,227
Taiwan (Formosa)	1,179	16,477	11,562	29,218	80	23,304	13,514	36,898	1,492	22,268	5,076	28,836	2,751	100,413	60,022	163,186
Japan	1,113	45,129	16,162	62,404	4,800	132,351	12,373	149,524	5,620	118,759	7,493	131,872	14,932	425,872	70,898	511,702
Peoples Rep. of China	0	52,645	0	52,645	32,882	115,256	0	148,138	118,275	232,958	0	351,233	153,810	510,242	0	664,052
Morocco	0	655	0	655	0	654	0	654	0	3,994	0	3,994	0	9,209	0	9,209
Republic of South Africa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Republic of the Philippines	202	6,147	1,498	7,847	495	3,427	1,562	5,484	394	4,057	419	4,870	1,383	27,626	6,649	35,658
Other	3,682	10,513	0	14,195	2,641	19,766	0	22,407	3,740	1,222	0	4,962	10,329	67,686	738	78,753
World total	43,818	299,317	47,074	390,209	98,702	489,981	41,063	629,746	231,333	642,018	29,042	902,393	421,898	2,152,567	238,515	2,812,980

¹ Includes American-Pima cotton.

Table 20—Estimated mill consumption of raw cotton by major type of textile product

Textile products	1978	1979	1978		1979		Change Oct.-Dec. 1978 to Oct.-Dec. 1979
			July-Sept.	Oct.-Dec.	July-Sept.	Oct.-Dec. ¹	
			<i>1,000 bales²</i>				<i>Percent</i>
Cotton broadwoven fabrics							
Duck and allied	179	159	48	43	36	39	-9
Sheeting and allied coarse	690	630	170	170	152	158	-7
Print cloth yarn	465	459	103	121	111	118	-2
Corduroys	402	482	95	106	118	129	+22
Denims	916	1,019	161	225	248	282	+25
Other carded colored yarn	51	40	8	12	9	10	-17
Toweling	625	652	159	160	160	160	---
Blanketing and napped	112	101	30	25	23	25	---
Fine cotton	76	74	19	18	18	15	-17
Other fabrics	154	154	35	40	37	38	-5
Total	3,670	3,770	828	920	912	974	+6
Polyester/cotton blended fabrics							
Batiste	31	32	7	8	7	8	---
Bed sheeting	479	509	112	125	125	122	-2
Broadcloth	71	72	15	18	16	18	---
Twills	182	197	38	48	47	49	+2
Poplins	62	64	12	15	14	16	+7
Yarn dyed fabrics	110	139	19	32	37	34	+6
Other fabrics	308	330	70	83	70	85	+2
Total	1,243	1,343	273	329	316	332	+1
Other textile products							
Rayon/cotton blends	59	60	15	18	15	15	-17
Knit cloth	1,065	1,120	261	270	270	285	+6
Narrow woven fabrics	120	95	25	27	20	25	-7
Thread	115	98	31	31	22	24	-23
Rope, cordage, and twine	52	58	16	16	12	15	-6
Total	1,411	1,431	348	362	339	364	+1
Grand total	6,324	6,544	1,449	1,611	1,567	1,670	+4
Actual mill consumption	6,335	6,400	1,471	1,573	1,518	1,615	+3
Residual ³	-11	+144	-22	+38	+49	+55	---

¹ Estimated. ² 480-pound net weight. ³ Difference between sum of estimated raw cotton consumption in itemized products and reported total mill consumption. Reflects cotton consumption in minor uses, such as tire cord, as well as inventory changes and lags between raw cotton consumption and production of textile products.

Based on data reported in *Current Industrial Reports*, Bureau of the Census, and *Cotton Counts its Customers*, National Cotton Council of America.

Table 21—American upland cotton: U.S. mill consumption by staple length

Year and month ¹	Less than 1"		1" and 1-1/32"		1-1/16" and 1-3/32"		Longer than 1-1/32"		Total ⁽²⁾	Total consumption ^{2,3}
	Quantity	Share of total	Quantity	Share of total	Quantity	Share of total	Quantity	Share of total	Quantity	
	1,000 bales ⁴	Percent	1,000 bales ⁴	Percent	1,000 bales ⁴	Percent	1,000 bales ⁴	Percent	1,000 bales ⁴	
1977/78										
Aug. (4)	38.1	7.7	134.1	27.2	294.9	59.7	26.6	5.4	493.7	504.9
Sept. (5)	49.9	8.3	165.4	27.3	356.4	58.9	33.1	5.5	604.9	619.3
Oct. (4)	39.1	7.7	138.6	27.2	303.1	59.4	29.1	5.7	510.0	523.3
Nov. (4)	36.2	7.3	138.6	27.7	297.8	59.5	28.1	5.5	500.7	516.7
Dec. (5)	44.6	7.9	153.6	27.1	335.5	59.3	32.4	5.7	566.1	580.6
Jan. (4)	36.9	7.5	130.6	26.6	297.8	60.5	26.8	5.4	492.2	507.2
Feb. (4)	37.5	7.4	133.8	26.6	303.3	60.3	28.6	5.7	503.2	515.6
Mar. (5)	41.7	6.7	175.3	28.1	372.3	59.7	34.5	5.5	623.8	639.2
Apr. (4)	33.9	6.9	128.3	26.2	299.7	61.3	27.1	5.6	488.9	499.7
May (4)	32.6	6.7	128.6	26.5	296.2	61.0	28.1	5.8	485.5	498.6
June (5)	38.4	6.7	147.8	25.6	353.6	61.3	36.9	6.4	576.6	593.3
July (4)	24.7	6.4	99.6	25.8	237.2	61.7	23.3	6.1	384.7	395.7
Total ²	453.5	7.3	1,674.3	26.9	3,747.9	60.1	354.5	5.7	6,230.1	6,394.1
1978/79										
Aug. (4)	28.5	6.2	113.8	24.8	289.1	62.9	28.2	6.1	459.6	473.4
Sept. (5)	35.0	6.1	149.6	26.3	350.7	61.5	34.5	6.1	569.9	586.7
Oct. (4)	29.5	6.1	126.5	26.2	299.5	62.1	26.9	5.6	482.4	496.6
Nov. (5)	33.0	5.5	172.7	29.0	357.7	60.1	31.9	5.4	595.3	611.5
Dec. (4)	25.8	5.9	117.2	26.8	270.0	61.9	23.6	5.4	436.7	448.6
Jan. (4)	32.9	5.5	164.8	27.3	374.1	62.1	31.0	5.1	602.8	620.6
Feb. (4)	24.6	5.2	131.9	27.9	291.5	61.7	24.7	5.2	472.8	485.0
Mar. (4)	27.0	5.3	134.4	26.5	320.0	63.0	26.2	5.2	507.6	520.7
Apr. (5)	32.4	5.5	159.0	27.2	361.9	61.8	31.9	5.5	585.2	602.3
May (4)	26.3	5.4	127.7	26.3	302.4	62.3	29.2	6.0	485.6	498.4
June (4)	25.4	5.2	133.6	27.2	301.0	61.3	30.9	6.3	490.9	503.6
July (5)	26.6	5.3	141.0	28.0	305.6	60.6	30.9	6.1	504.1	518.6
Total ²	346.9	5.6	1,672.3	27.0	3,823.6	61.7	350.0	5.7	6,192.8	6,366.0
1979/80										
Aug. (4)	26.2	5.5	125.5	26.5	292.8	61.9	28.8	6.1	473.2	487.1
Sept. (4)	25.2	5.2	130.7	27.0	299.3	61.9	28.6	5.9	483.7	496.6
Oct. ⁵ (5)	31.7	5.1	173.0	27.7	382.2	61.2	37.4	6.0	624.4	640.8
Nov. (4)										
Dec. (4)										
Jan. (5)										
Feb. (4)										
Mar. (4)										
Apr. (5)										
May (4)										
June (4)										
July (5)										
Total ²										

¹ Numbers in parentheses indicate number of weeks in month. ² Totals made from unrounded data. ³ Includes data for which breakdown by staple length was not obtained. ⁴ 480-pound net weight bales. ⁵ Preliminary.

Bureau of the Census, as reported by mills.

Table 22—Fiber prices: Landed Group B mill points, cotton prices and manmade staple fiber prices at f.o.b. producing plants, actual and estimated raw fiber equivalent

Year beginning January 1	Cotton ¹		Rayon ²		Polyester ³	
	Actual	Raw fiber equivalent ⁴	Actual	Raw fiber equivalent ⁴	Actual	Raw fiber equivalent ⁴
	<i>Cents per pound</i>					
1978	64	71	58	61	54	57
1979	69	77	65	68	60	63
1977						
January	71	79	58	60	53	55
February	77	85	58	60	53	55
March	80	89	58	60	53	55
April	79	88	58	60	57	59
May	77	85	61	64	57	59
June	67	74	59	61	57	59
July	64	71	59	61	57	59
August	59	65	58	60	57	59
September	55	61	58	60	57	59
October	54	60	57	59	57	59
November	53	59	56	58	57	59
December	54	60	56	58	55	57
1978						
January	56	63	56	58	56	58
February	59	65	56	58	56	58
March	60	67	56	58	56	58
April	60	67	58	60	56	58
May	64	71	58	60	55	57
June	64	71	58	60	55	57
July	63	70	58	60	53	55
August	65	73	58	60	53	55
September	66	73	58	60	53	55
October	70	78	61	64	53	55
November	72	80	61	64	53	55
December	73	81	61	64	53	55
1979						
January	69	77	61	64	53	55
February	68	76	61	64	53	55
March	67	74	61	64	56	58
April	65	72	65	68	56	58
May	68	75	65	68	61	64
June	70	78	65	68	61	64
July	70	77	65	68	61	64
August	69	76	65	68	61	64
September	69	76	65	68	65	68
October	69	77	70	73	65	68
November	71	79	70	73	66	69
December	73	81	70	73	66	69

¹ SLM-1-1/16" at Group B Mill points, net weight. ² 1.5 and 3.0 denier, regular rayon staple. ³ Reported average market price for 1.5 denier polyester staple for cotton blending. ⁴ Actual prices converted to estimated raw fiber equivalent as follows; cotton, divided by 0.90, rayon and polyester, divided by 0.96.

Agricultural Marketing Service and Trade reports.

Table 23—Raw cotton equivalent of U.S. imports for consumption of cotton manufacturers

Year and month	Yarn, thread, and woven fabric						Primarily manufactured products			
	Yarn	Sewing thread, crochet, knitting yarn	Woven fabric		Total		Pile fabrics and mfrs. ²	Table damask and mfrs.	Bed-clothes and towels ³	Gloves, hosiery, and hdkf.
			100 percent cotton	Blends ¹	Weight	Bales				
	<i>1,000 pounds</i>				<i>1,000 bales⁸</i>		<i>1,000 pounds</i>			
1978	30,334	427	247,051	46,777	324,589	676.2	6,099	449	55,050	18,494
1979 ⁹	11,857	535	206,434	23,798	242,624	505.5	6,523	253	42,011	19,515
1979 ⁹										
January ...	2,038	28	19,978	3,895	25,939	54.0	494	32	4,244	1,771
February ..	1,972	48	19,437	1,993	23,450	48.9	485	19	3,564	1,496
March	1,356	54	19,391	1,983	22,784	47.5	313	18	4,073	1,694
April	1,027	38	15,208	2,115	18,388	38.3	792	7	3,863	1,485
May	1,164	63	20,036	2,245	23,508	49.0	736	18	3,942	1,808
June	1,059	33	16,200	2,064	19,356	40.3	715	22	3,467	1,275
July	668	18	14,091	1,741	16,518	34.4	662	18	3,130	1,410
August	465	57	16,075	1,684	18,281	38.1	642	15	2,637	2,196
September .	437	86	16,626	1,428	18,577	38.7	700	24	3,289	1,577
October ...	511	44	16,796	1,234	18,585	38.7	289	34	3,198	1,713
November .	371	51	15,550	1,839	17,811	37.1	324	28	2,956	1,765
December ..	789	15	17,046	1,577	19,427	40.5	371	18	3,648	1,325
1980										
January ...										
February ..										
March										
	Primarily manufactured products						Total		Total	
	Other wearing apparel ⁴	Lace fabric and articles ⁵	Household and clothing articles ⁶	Misc.-products ⁷	Floor covering	Total		Weight	Bales	
						Weight	Bales			
	<i>1,000 pounds</i>					<i>1,000 bales⁸</i>		<i>1,000 pounds</i>	<i>1,000 bales⁸</i>	
1978	411,730	4,444	15,706	6,670	2,190	520,835	1,085.1	845,424	1,761.3	
1979 ⁹	406,758	3,256	17,422	5,642	2,092	503,472	1,048.9	746,096	1,554.4	
1979 ⁹										
January ...	36,814	194	1,536	679	122	45,886	95.6	71,825	149.6	
February ..	31,075	157	1,192	479	77	38,544	80.3	61,994	129.2	
March	28,553	179	1,320	401	219	36,770	76.6	59,554	124.1	
April	24,819	251	1,553	601	264	33,635	70.1	52,023	108.4	
May	30,789	294	1,523	329	80	39,519	82.3	63,027	131.3	
June	37,801	238	1,607	425	116	45,666	95.1	65,022	135.5	
July	43,205	322	1,526	491	284	51,048	106.3	67,566	140.8	
August	41,261	227	1,450	498	129	49,055	102.2	67,366	140.3	
September .	33,565	303	1,469	417	304	41,648	86.8	60,225	125.5	
October ...	33,517	444	1,400	375	137	41,107	85.6	59,692	124.4	
November .	33,600	370	1,377	509	211	41,140	85.7	58,951	122.8	
December ..	31,759	277	1,469	438	149	39,454	82.2	58,881	122.7	
1980										
January ...										
February ..										
March										

¹ Includes tapestry and upholstery fabrics, tire cord fabrics, and cloths in chief value cotton containing other fibers. ² Includes velvets and velveteens, corduroys, plushes and chenilles, and manufactures of pile fabrics. ³ Includes blankets, quilts, bedspreads, sheets and pillow cases. ⁴ Includes knit and woven underwear and outerwear (collars and cuffs, shirts, coats, vests, robes, pajamas, and ornamented wearing apparel). ⁵ Includes nets and nettings, veils and veiling, edgings, embroideries, etc., and lace window curtains. ⁶ Includes braids (except hat braids) tubing, labels, lacing, wicking, loom harness, table and bureau covers, polishing and dust cloths, fabrics with fast edges, cords and tassels, garters, suspenders and braces, corsets and brassieres, etc. ⁷ Includes belts and belting, fish nets and netting, and coated, filled or waterproof fabrics. ⁸ 480-pound net weight bales. ⁹ Preliminary.

Compiled from reports of the Bureau of the Census.

Table 24—Raw cotton equivalent of U.S. exports of domestic cotton manufactures

Year and month	Yarn, thread, twine, and woven fabric							Manufactured products						
	Yarn	Sewing thread, crochet, darning, and embroidery cotton	Twine and cordage	Woven fabric		Total		House furnishings						
				Standard constructions and tire cord ¹	Other ²	Weight	Bales	Knit fabrics	Blankets spreads, pillow cases, and sheets	Towels	Other ³			
	<i>1,000 pounds</i>						<i>1,000 bales⁸</i>		<i>1,000 pounds</i>					
1978	20,340	9,871	1,756	145,312	42,487	219,767	457.9	4,770	15,517	9,353	2,604			
1979 ⁹	28,262	4,373	1,510	174,732	92,402	301,281	627.7	5,745	20,530	13,787	2,087			
1979 ⁹														
January ...	2,108	318	167	14,376	4,911	21,879	45.6	382	1,510	772	140			
February ..	2,174	271	102	13,128	6,114	21,789	45.4	341	1,389	1,122	123			
March	2,185	555	169	17,268	7,026	27,203	56.7	538	1,590	1,151	203			
April	2,409	388	135	11,776	6,465	21,174	44.1	443	1,770	1,493	110			
May	2,724	265	155	13,659	7,416	24,220	50.5	566	1,440	1,492	198			
June	2,671	402	69	15,219	8,999	27,361	57.0	539	2,118	1,131	173			
July	1,929	348	53	12,835	7,014	22,180	46.2	333	1,592	1,038	140			
August	2,167	489	140	12,655	7,151	22,602	47.1	508	1,645	924	153			
September .	2,123	338	110	16,249	7,955	26,775	55.8	512	1,725	1,051	228			
October ...	2,193	523	94	15,822	9,689	28,321	59.0	566	1,972	1,248	202			
November .	2,602	255	81	17,547	9,421	29,905	62.3	445	1,658	1,454	170			
December ..	2,977	221	235	14,198	10,241	27,872	58.1	572	2,161	911	247			
1980														
January ...														
February ..														
March														
	Manufactured products							Total						
	Wearing apparel		Other household and clothing articles ⁶	Industrial products ⁷	Total		Weight		Bales		Weight		Bales	
	Knit ⁴	Other ⁵			Weight	Bales								
	<i>1,000 pounds</i>						<i>1,000 bales⁸</i>		<i>1,000 pounds</i>		<i>1,000 bales⁸</i>			
1978	21,252	40,498	18,141	23,844	135,980	283.3	355,745	741.1						
1979 ⁹	33,284	57,634	18,366	25,248	176,687	368.1	477,968	995.8						
1979 ⁹														
January ...	1,835	4,096	1,523	2,695	12,955	27.0	34,834	72.6						
February ..	2,284	4,037	1,392	1,671	12,359	25.8	34,148	71.1						
March	3,133	5,748	1,972	2,765	17,098	35.6	44,301	92.3						
April	2,902	5,310	1,926	1,815	15,771	32.9	36,944	77.0						
May	2,789	4,803	1,422	2,193	14,863	31.0	39,083	81.4						
June	2,562	5,369	1,314	2,341	15,549	32.4	42,910	89.4						
July	2,812	4,575	1,483	1,600	13,572	28.3	35,752	74.5						
August	2,876	4,698	1,565	1,996	14,364	29.9	36,966	77.0						
September .	2,389	4,372	1,533	1,918	13,729	28.6	40,504	84.4						
October ...	2,967	4,922	1,201	2,305	15,384	32.1	43,705	91.1						
November .	3,102	4,986	1,270	2,195	15,282	31.8	45,188	94.1						
December ..	3,633	4,718	1,765	1,754	15,761	32.8	43,633	90.9						
1980														
January ...														
February ..														
March														

¹ Includes fabrics, tire cord and cloth for export to the Philippines to be embroidered and otherwise manufactured and returned to the United States. ² Includes tapestry and upholstery fabrics, table damask, pile fabrics and remnants. ³ Includes curtains and draperies, house furnishings not elsewhere specified. ⁴ Includes gloves and mitts of woven fabric. ⁵ Includes underwear and outerwear of woven fabric, handkerchiefs, and wearing apparel containing mixed fibers (corsets, brassieres, and girdles, garters, armbands and suspenders, neckties and cravats). ⁶ Includes canvas articles and manufactures, braids and narrow fabrics, elastic webbing, waterproof garments, and laces and lace articles. ⁷ Includes rubberized fabrics, bags, and industrial belt and belting. ⁸ 480-pound net weight bales. ⁹ Preliminary.

Compiled from reports of the Bureau of the Census.

Table 25--Manmade fiber equivalent of U.S. imports for consumption of manmade fiber manufactures

Year and month	Tops, yarn, thread, and woven fabric							Primarily manufactured products	
	Sliver, tops, and roving	Yarns thrown or plied ¹	Yarns spun	Sewing thread and hand-work yarns	Rayon tire fabric including cord fabrics	Woven fabric	Total	Wearing apparel	
								Knit ²	Not knit
<i>1,000 pounds</i>									
1978	7,556	4,242	45,378	2,516	100	87,760	147,552	242,397	182,786
1979 ⁶	6,653	2,590	25,648	2,615	97	64,577	102,180	184,497	175,111
1979 ⁶									
January	591	261	2,065	228	0	6,875	10,020	15,644	15,992
February	365	249	1,849	189	3	4,576	7,231	11,717	12,993
March	1,078	115	2,671	314	28	6,719	10,925	11,162	11,710
April	630	182	2,321	265	50	6,510	9,958	11,897	11,018
May	1,213	121	2,645	174	7	5,608	9,768	16,384	14,062
June	523	158	2,443	264	0	6,293	9,681	19,993	17,271
July	853	265	2,124	187	0	4,911	8,340	20,031	18,404
August	274	229	2,058	171	1	6,337	9,061	18,234	18,307
September	249	194	1,469	191	0	4,688	6,791	16,499	15,416
October	179	181	2,158	233	2	4,142	6,895	16,994	13,776
November	458	399	1,452	180	6	3,839	6,334	14,250	14,340
December	240	245	2,393	219	0	4,079	7,176	11,692	11,822
1980									
January									
February									
March									
Primarily manufactured products									
	Handkerchiefs	Laces and lace articles ³	Narrow fabrics ⁴	Knit fabric	Other manufactures ⁵	Total	Total manufactured imports		
<i>1,000 pounds</i>									
1978	447	10,467	9,387	12,443	37,108	495,035	642,587		
1979 ⁶	179	5,026	8,947	8,011	41,022	422,793	524,973		
1979 ⁶									
January	33	378	722	911	3,369	37,049	47,069		
February	18	316	800	638	2,600	29,082	36,313		
March	13	291	911	495	3,549	28,131	39,056		
April	11	405	939	787	3,452	28,509	38,467		
May	17	407	916	441	3,199	35,426	45,194		
June	10	578	869	722	3,908	43,351	53,032		
July	10	551	593	784	3,537	43,910	52,250		
August	16	553	739	715	3,218	41,782	50,843		
September	10	604	715	644	3,903	37,791	44,582		
October	14	415	557	656	3,045	35,457	42,352		
November	12	312	562	599	3,771	33,846	40,180		
December	15	216	624	619	3,471	28,459	35,635		
1980									
January									
February									
March									

¹ Not included in these data are quantities of imported textured non-cellulosic singles yarn not over 20 turns per inch. ² Includes gloves, hosiery, underwear, outerwear, and hats. ³ Includes veils and veillings, nets and nettings, lace window curtains, edgings, insertings, flouncings, allover, etc., embroideries, and ornamented wearing apparel. ⁴ Includes braids (except hat braids), fabrics with fast edges not over 12 inches wide, garters, suspenders, braces, tubings, cords, tassels, gill nets, webs, seines, and other nets for fishing. ⁵ Not elsewhere classified. ⁶ Preliminary.

Compiled from reports of the Bureau of the Census.

Table 26—Manmade fiber equivalent of U.S. exports of domestic manmade fiber manufactures

Year and month	Tops, yarn, thread, and woven fabric						Primarily manufactured products		
	Sliver, tops, and roving	Yarns spun	Sewing thread and handwork yarns	Tire cord and tire cord fabric	Woven fabric ²	Total	Hosiery	Underwear and nightwear	Outerwear
	<i>1,000 pounds</i>								
1978	10,147	21,759	5,800	63,862	165,707	267,278	2,592	8,380	37,672
1979 ⁵	13,252	34,181	8,368	87,008	228,634	371,444	4,484	10,096	45,892
1979 ⁵									
Januaryd	1,105	2,397	500	5,609	17,686	27,298	237	565	3,390
February	635	2,472	628	7,582	16,387	27,705	281	750	3,544
March	1,126	2,876	1,016	8,978	19,370	33,367	413	1,016	4,529
April	1,792	2,725	543	5,482	16,760	27,302	330	779	3,867
May	1,054	2,754	758	7,232	18,843	30,641	302	820	3,534
June	989	2,691	555	6,804	21,234	32,273	390	1,012	3,864
July	893	2,630	484	7,700	17,000	28,708	289	751	3,088
August	936	2,525	422	6,709	18,307	28,900	464	892	3,687
September ...	1,294	3,160	617	6,859	19,551	31,480	410	761	3,649
October	1,276	3,137	934	8,342	21,039	34,727	507	960	4,519
November ...	1,402	2,926	873	6,439	21,284	32,923	414	889	4,170
December ...	750	3,888	1,038	9,272	21,173	36,120	447	901	4,051
1980									
January									
February									
March									
	Primarily manufactured products						Total manufactured exports		
	House furnishings	Knit or crocheted	Narrow fabrics ³	Other manufactures ⁴	Total				
	<i>1,000 pounds</i>								
1978	43,840	9,756	12,025	60,158	174,423		441,700		
1979 ⁵	65,629	16,413	12,531	70,095	225,134		596,580		
1979 ⁵									
January	3,827	963	1,148	5,429	15,557		42,855		
February	3,814	1,112	1,134	5,568	16,203		43,908		
March	4,866	1,928	889	6,189	19,829		53,196		
April	4,655	1,283	856	5,954	17,724		45,026		
May	4,696	1,214	985	7,087	18,638		49,279		
June	6,356	1,491	1,171	6,254	20,538		52,811		
July	4,334	1,115	957	5,678	16,211		44,919		
August	4,869	1,368	1,088	5,426	17,794		46,694		
September ..	6,294	1,307	1,010	5,702	19,133		50,613		
October	6,628	1,537	1,192	6,090	21,431		56,159		
November ...	6,370	1,560	1,032	5,639	20,074		52,998		
December ...	8,920	1,535	1,069	5,079	22,002		58,122		
1980									
January									
February									
March									

¹ Includes products made from waste. ² Includes pile and tufted fabric such as corduroy. ³ Includes ribbons, trimmings, and braids (except hat braids). ⁴ Not elsewhere classified. ⁵ Preliminary.

Compiled from reports of the Bureau of the Census.

Table 27—Cotton: Strict low middling, spot prices in designated U.S. markets, loan rates, and prices received by farmers for upland cotton

Year beginning August 1	Average spot market prices per pound (net weight) ¹						Price per pound received by farmers for upland cotton (net weight) ²
	15/16 inch	1 inch	1-1/32 inches	1-1/16 inches	1-3/32 inches	1-1/8 inches	
<i>Cents</i>							
1977/78							
August	47.88	49.57	51.25	52.54	52.72	53.89	58.30
September	44.95	46.65	48.03	49.30	49.48	50.48	59.10
October	44.63	46.29	47.75	49.06	49.24	50.17	53.60
November	43.20	44.80	46.47	47.98	48.16	49.17	52.10
December	43.21	44.52	46.88	48.42	48.65	49.92	48.70
January	45.16	46.42	49.52	51.05	51.28	52.75	49.10
February	46.58	47.90	51.33	52.89	53.12	54.50	51.40
March	48.45	49.86	53.49	55.01	55.24	57.16	51.10
April	48.26	49.67	53.19	54.72	54.95	56.71	52.20
May	50.03	51.44	56.06	57.59	57.82	60.48	53.70
June	49.63	51.04	55.82	57.35	57.58	59.97	54.80
July	49.56	50.97	55.45	56.99	57.22	59.42	56.50
Average	46.80	48.26	51.27	52.74	52.96	54.55	³ 52.1
Loan rate	39.42	41.32	43.37	44.87	45.17	45.52	⁴ 44.63
1978/79							
August	51.82	53.24	58.20	59.78	60.01	61.79	57.40
September	52.66	54.26	58.46	60.04	60.27	61.80	56.20
October	56.27	58.10	62.50	64.08	64.31	66.24	59.60
November	57.45	59.32	64.03	65.65	65.94	68.09	61.10
December	56.31	58.20	62.76	64.39	64.68	66.92	58.10
January	53.52	55.25	59.90	61.48	61.77	64.49	57.00
February	52.46	54.18	59.06	60.59	60.88	63.85	55.60
March	50.61	52.50	57.18	58.70	59.03	61.59	53.50
April	50.02	51.93	56.35	58.05	58.44	60.99	54.70
May	52.32	54.23	59.05	60.90	61.30	64.42	56.00
June	54.35	56.26	61.52	63.38	63.79	67.61	58.80
July	53.42	55.37	60.04	61.87	62.26	65.41	61.90
Average	53.43	55.24	59.92	61.58	61.89	64.43	³ 58.1
Loan rate	43.06	44.86	46.81	48.31	48.61	48.96	⁴ 48.00
1979/80							
August	54.11	56.20	60.25	62.08	62.47	64.98	59.20
September	54.83	56.94	60.32	62.15	62.54	64.63	57.30
October	55.33	57.44	61.05	62.88	63.28	64.61	61.30
November	55.90	57.87	61.55	63.40	63.81	64.84	61.00
December	59.15	61.09	64.33	66.20	66.58	67.53	59.90
January				72.40			59.70
February							
March							
April							
May							
June							
July							
Average							⁵ 61.2
Loan rate	45.19	46.99	49.14	50.64	50.94	51.34	⁴ 50.23

¹ Spot market loan rates and prices are for cotton with micronaire readings of 3.5 through 4.9. ² Excludes domestic allotment payments, price support and diversion payments. ³ Weighted average. ⁴ SLM 1-1/16" average location. ⁵ Average price to January 1, 1980 with no allowance for unredeemed loans.

Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service, and Agricultural Marketing Service.

Table 28—Manmade fiber production and capacity, quarterly, 1978 and 1979

Item	1978					1979					Average 1980 planned	Percentage change 1980/79
	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	Year	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	Year		
	<i>Million pounds</i>										<i>Percent</i>	
Grand total all fibers:												
Cap.	2,874	2,874	2,874	2,874	11,496	2,973	2,973	2,973	2,973	11,892	12,463	+5
Prod.	2,338	2,385	2,352	2,451	9,526	2,566	2,627	2,528	2,586	10,307		
Percent.	81	83	82	85	83	86	88	85	87	87		
Total staple												
Cap.	1,286	1,286	1,286	1,286	5,144	1,323	1,323	1,323	1,323	5,292	5,419	+2
Prod.	1,131	1,129	1,086	1,141	4,487	1,199	1,210	1,192	1,231	4,832		
Percent.	88	88	85	89	87	91	91	90	93	91		
Total filament												
Cap.	1,588	1,588	1,588	1,588	6,352	1,650	1,650	1,650	1,650	6,600	7,044	+7
Prod.	1,207	1,257	1,266	1,309	5,039	1,367	1,417	1,336	1,355	5,475		
Percent.	76	79	80	82	79	83	86	81	82	83		
Polyester total												
Cap.	1,156	1,156	1,156	1,156	4,624	1,182	1,182	1,182	1,182	4,728	4,896	+4
Prod.	942	948	925	985	3,800	1,066	1,063	1,018	1,031	4,178		
Percent.	82	82	80	85	82	90	90	86	87	88		
Staple												
Cap.	628	628	628	628	2,512	653	653	653	653	2,612	2,691	+3
Prod.	569	565	535	567	2,236	607	605	618	632	2,462		
Percent.	91	90	85	90	89	93	93	95	97	94		
Filament												
Cap.	528	528	528	528	2,112	529	529	529	529	2,116	2,205	+4
Prod.	373	383	390	418	1,564	460	457	400	399	1,716		
Percent.	71	73	74	79	74	87	87	76	75	81		
Nylon total												
Cap.	732	732	732	732	2,928	759	759	759	759	3,036	3,104	+2
Prod.	611	631	643	665	2,550	676	678	673	694	2,721		
Percent.	84	86	88	91	87	89	89	89	92	90		
Staple												
Cap.	245	245	245	245	980	255	255	255	255	1,020	1,053	+3
Prod.	220	218	224	234	896	233	237	234	235	939		
Percent.	90	89	91	95	91	91	93	92	92	92		
Filament												
Cap.	487	487	487	487	1,948	504	504	504	504	2,016	2,051	+2
Prod.	392	413	418	431	1,654	443	441	439	459	1,782		
Percent.	81	85	86	89	85	88	88	87	91	89		
Olefin total												
Cap.	259	259	259	259	1,036	264	264	264	264	1,056	1,102	+4
Prod.	169	180	170	174	693	184	194	183	196	757		
Percent.	65	70	66	67	67	70	73	69	74	72		
Staple												
Cap.	31	31	31	31	124	34	34	34	34	136	156	+15
Prod.	24	24	23	24	95	29	32	28	31	120		
Percent.	77	79	76	79	78	85	94	82	89	87		
Filament												
Cap.	228	228	228	228	912	230	230	230	230	920	946	+3
Prod.	145	155	147	149	596	155	162	155	165	757		
Percent.	64	68	65	66	66	68	70	67	72	69		
Acrylic staple												
Cap.	217	217	217	217	868	213	213	213	213	852	840	-1
Prod.	190	190	170	176	726	187	192	184	197	760		
Percent.	88	88	78	81	84	88	90	87	93	89		
Non-cellulosic												
Non-glass total												
Cap.	2,364	2,364	2,364	2,364	9,456	2,417	2,417	2,417	2,417	9,668	9,961	+3
Prod.	1,912	1,949	1,908	1,999	7,768	2,113	2,127	2,058	2,118	8,416		
Percent.	81	82	81	85	82	87	88	85	88	87		
Staple												
Cap.	1,121	1,121	1,121	1,121	4,484	1,156	1,156	1,156	1,156	4,624	4,740	+3
Prod.	1,002	997	952	1,002	3,953	1,056	1,067	1,064	1,095	4,282		
Percent.	89	89	85	89	88	91	92	92	95	93		
Filament												
Cap.	1,243	1,243	1,243	1,243	4,972	1,261	1,261	1,261	1,261	5,044	5,221	+4
Prod.	910	952	956	997	3,815	1,057	1,060	994	1,023	4,134		
Percent.	73	77	77	80	77	84	84	79	81	82		
Rayon staple												
Cap.	165	165	165	165	660	167	167	167	167	668	671	0
Prod.	129	132	134	140	535	143	143	128	136	550		
Percent.	78	80	81	85	81	85	85	77	81	82		
Acetate filament												
Cap.	81	81	81	81	324	86	86	86	86	344	335	-3
Prod.	72	76	77	76	301	78	78	79	81	316		
Percent.	89	95	95	95	93	91	92	92	95	92		
Glass filament												
Cap.	265	265	265	265	1,060	303	303	303	303	1,212	1,412	+17
Prod.	225	229	234	235	923	232	279	264	250	1,025		
Percent.	85	87	88	89	87	77	92	87	83	85		

Compiled from Textile Organon.

Table 29—Raw wool content of United States imports for consumption of wool manufacturers¹

Year and month	Tops and advanced wool	Yarns	Woven fabrics ²	Wool blankets ³	Wearing apparel	
					Knit	Other than knit ⁴
<i>1,000 pounds</i>						
1977	842	5,804	18,651	407	25,808	18,264
1978 ⁷	563	5,550	25,830	572	22,339	22,559
1979 ⁷						
January	18	306	1,651	38	476	1,109
February	11	266	1,687	16	581	975
March	25	261	2,880	14	410	1,031
April	18	394	2,902	34	641	1,084
May	39	287	2,344	32	1,272	1,382
June	62	405	2,712	38	2,311	2,183
July	76	313	1,843	39	2,848	3,417
August	21	402	1,832	55	2,909	2,994
September	4	248	1,052	64	2,527	2,404
October	2	341	877	38	2,075	1,692
November	46	298	792	62	1,805	1,096
	Other manufactures ⁵	Subtotal	Noils ⁶	Wastes ⁶	Carpets and rugs	Total
<i>1,000 pounds</i>						
1977	1,224	71,000	19,426	11,289	14,838	116,553
1978 ⁷	895	78,258	23,067	14,130	13,914	129,369
1979 ⁷						
January	56	3,564	1,723	1,349	886	7,522
February	98	3,634	1,050	733	686	6,103
March	100	4,721	1,539	888	1,027	8,175
April	85	5,158	1,456	988	1,389	8,991
May	91	5,447	1,897	1,039	1,156	9,539
June	96	7,807	1,754	1,176	1,337	12,074
July	89	8,625	1,578	1,136	1,193	12,532
August	143	8,356	1,255	1,010	1,233	11,854
September	83	6,382	1,106	874	1,468	9,830
October	67	5,092	1,015	819	909	7,835
November	73	4,172	1,603	844	1,202	7,821

¹ Includes manufactures of mohair, alpaca, and other wool-like specialty hair. ² Includes pile fabric and manufactures, tapestry and unholstery goods, press and billard clothes. ³ Includes carriage and automobile robes, steamer rugs, etc. ⁴ Includes laces, lace articles, veils and veillings, nets and nettings, when reported in pounds. ⁵ Includes knit fabrics in the piece and miscellaneous manufactures not else where specified. ⁶ Not including rags. ⁷ Preliminary.

Compiled from reports of the Bureau of the Census.

Table 30—Raw wool content of United States exports of domestic wool manufactures¹

Year and month	Noils wastes ²	Tops and advanced wool	Yarns	Woven fabrics	Wool blankets	Wearing apparel knit
<i>1,000 pounds</i>						
1977	1,591	1,702	1,476	677	706	586
1978 ⁴	929	1,299	1,266	1,094	33	4,305
1979						
January	103	177	60	96	1	433
February	98	229	105	77	1	351
March	124	151	80	125	2	373
April	90	145	122	104	2	352
May	177	217	49	69	2	320
June	132	145	74	115	2	553
July	63	291	51	84	2	330
August	132	268	58	69	3	428
September	43	389	4	55	1	264
October	93	451	138	95	2	421
November	156	347	63	135	2	439
	Wearing apparel other than knit	Felts	Knit fabrics	Other manufactures ³	Carpets and rugs	Total
<i>1,000 pounds</i>						
1977	1,830	233	201	2,054	1,986	13,042
1978 ⁴	1,235	274	152	1,247	733	12,567
1979 ⁴						
January	64	8	17	95	60	1,114
February	93	28	10	94	123	1,209
March	81	8	77	132	93	1,244
April	91	26	12	138	72	1,153
May	127	19	13	184	39	1,216
June	96	14	25	189	96	1,441
July	109	37	12	145	14	1,137
August	118	13	4	140	15	1,247
September	140	8	26	189	20	1,140
October	156	23	42	153	27	1,602
November	128	3	38	119	24	1,454

¹ Includes manufactures of mohair, alpaca and other wool-like specialty hair. ² Not including rags. ³ Census Bureau's Schedule B classification designated manufactures, n.e.c. ⁴ Preliminary.

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