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## Summary

U.S. cotton production in 1990/91 totaled 15.5 million 480lb. bales, 27 percent ahead of last season. Upland production rose 32 percent in 1990/91 to 15.1 million bales, while extra-long staple (ELS) output fell 48 percent to 358,000 bales. U.S. cotton yield in 1990/91 was 634 pounds per harvested acre, 20 pounds above last season. Upland cotton yield was 632 pounds per harvested acre ( 602 in 1989) and ELS yield was 758 pounds (893 in 1989). Total area planted to cotton in 1990/91 was 12.3 million acres- 12.1 million upland and 231,000 ELS. Harvested area was 11.7 million acres, for an average abandonment of 5 percent in 1990/91half of 1989's rate. Upland and ELS harvested acreage was 11.5 million and 227,000 acres, respectively.

Total U.S. cotton offtake in 1990/91 is projected at 16.3 million bales, comprised of 8.4 mill use and 7.9 exports. Cotton mill use rebounded sharply in the first quarter of calendar year 1991 from the low of the previous quarter, with cotton's share of total fibers consumed reaching 74 percent, its highest percentage since 1971. U.S. 1990/91 cotton exports are stronger this season due to tight foreign exportable supplies. The U.S. share of $1990 / 91$ world cotton trade is projected at 33 percent, up slightly from 1989 and well above historical levels.

During the 1990/91 marketing year, both U.S. and world cotton prices have risen above those of the past season. The August to mid-May U.S. spot market price for base-quality cotton averaged 74 cents per pound this season, 6 cents above the respective period last year. The rise in the adjusted world price for the same period has been more moderate, gaining about 2 cents to 67 cents per pound.
U.S. prices on the North European market have exhibited very different patterns between the first half-season and the second-half-to-date. During the first 6 months, U.S. prices were very competitive, being among the lowest quoted. However, since the beginning of February, U.S. quotes have risen sharply and have become some of the highest priced offerings. The sharp price runup has slowed late-season export sales noticeably.
U.S. cotton production in 1991/92 is forecast at 16.0 million bales, about a half million more than the current season. The March Planting Intentions survey placed 1991 cotton acreage at 14 million, 13.77 million upland and 222,000 ELS acres. However, persistent rainfall at planting time in the Delta has likely somewhat reduced planting prospects in that region. The preliminary enrollment report indicates participation in USDA's 5 -percent acreage reduction program for upland cotton at 84 percent, down from 87 percent in the current season.
U.S. cotton offtake in 1991/92 is expected to moderate from the current season's strong pace. Domestic mill use in 1991/92 is projected at 8.5 million bales, about unchanged from the current season, while cotton exports in 1991/92 are expected to fall to 7.0 million bales from 7.9 this season. The projected downturn in 1991/92 exports is expected to result from increased competition from foreign exports and smaller world trade demand. Despite the projected export drop, U.S. share of world trade in 1991/92 is expected to be slightly above average at nearly 30 percent.

Based on projections of U.S. 1991/92 supply and offtake, U.S. cotton stocks could increase from a low 2.3 million at the beginning of the season to 3.0 million by season's end. The upland cotton ending stocks-to-use ratio in 1991/92 could rise to 19 percent from the current season's estimated 14 percent-still far short of the 30 percent legislative target.

World cotton production in 1991/92 is forecast at a record 91 million bales, up 5 percent from 1990/91's 86.8 million. Foreign production is forecast to rise nearly 4 million bales from the 71.3 million bales in 1990/91, based on likely higher area and yields. China and India are expected to lead the increase in foreign output next season.

World cotton consumption in 1991/92 is projected at 88 million bales, with foreign consumption of 79.5 million bales2 million higher than in the current season. Expanded consumption is expected to occur principally among producing countries and world exports are expected to fall by onehalf million to 23.5 in 1991/92. Foreign exports are expected to rise slightly to 16.5 million. World and foreign end-of-season 1991/92 stocks are expected to rise. The foreign ending stocks-to-use ratio is projected to rise to 33 percent from the current season's 31 percent.
U.S. raw wool imports in first-quarter 1991 were 23 million pounds, clean, 8 percent above a year earlier. Imports of the 48 's-and-finer grades were 18 million pounds, 27 percent more than last year. Unimproved and other grades not-finer-than-46's totaled almost 5 million, 31 percent below a year earlier.

Shorn wool production in the United States during 1990 was 88 million pounds, greasy, 1 percent less than the previous year. Sheep and lambs shorn totaled 11 million head, 0.7 percent less than 1989. The average fleece weight was almost 7.9 pounds. The weighted-average price received by farmers for their shorn wool was $\$ 0.80$, compared with \$1.24 in 1989.

## Textiles and the Economy

The recession is finally official. On April 25, 1991, the National Bureau of Economic Research (NBER) concluded that the current U.S. recession began in July 1990. The NBER reported that various indicators were flat during the summer of 1990 and that economic activity peaked in July, with several major indicators peaking in different months. Employment peaked in June, real personal income in July, business sales in August, and industrial production in September. The recession's onset ended a 92 -month expansion that began in November 1982, the second longest period of growth on record.

Eleven months after the recession's beginning, the economy may be showing signs of a recovery. The composite index of leading economic indicators rose 0.5 percent in March, the second consecutive advance after 6 monthly declines. An increase in the index of consumer expectations helped push the leading indicator higher, resulting in the return of the all-important consumer confidence.

However, real Gross National Product (GNP) declined for the second consecutive quarter. Preliminary first-quarter GNP fell 2.6 percent ( $\$ 26.9$ billion) compared with a decrease of 1.6 percent ( $\$ 16.6$ billion) in the last quarter of 1990. First- quarter declines were led by residential fixed investment and durable goods expenditures. Declines in business inventories also helped push the GNP lower but, as the economy strengthens, inventories will need rebuilding, thus helping to fuel GNP growth.

Also, real disposable personal income declined 0.4 percent in first-quarter 1991. With this decrease, disposable income has fallen for 3 consecutive quarters and is now 1.4 percent below its level one year ago. In addition, personal savingsas a percentage of disposable personal income-averaged 4.0 percent in the first 3 months of 1991, 0.2 percent below the average for the last 6 months of 1990.

Just as personal income has declined, real personal consumption expenditures have followed suit. In first-quarter 1991, expenditures decreased $\$ 9.5$ billion, after decreasing a whopping $\$ 23.2$ billion in the last quarter of 1990 . As expected, expenditures on both durable and nondurable goods moved downward, but expenditures on services continued to rise. During the first quarter, durables fell $\$ 11.7$ billion, nondurables declined $\$ 6.6$ billion, while expenditures on services climbed $\$ 8.8$ billion-despite the economic slowdown.

In April 1991 U.S. industrial production rose for the first time in 6 months. Although the index inched up 0.1 percent to 105.1 percent of the 1987 annual average, industrial production is lagging last year's by 3.4 percent. While clothing production has been decreasing, textile material output has moved upward recently. Clothing production is down 1
percent from January figures, while textile output has gained about 1.5 percent.
U.S. industries operated at 78.3 percent of capacity in April, down 5.9 percent from a year earlier. This has been offset somewhat, however, by a growth of 2.4 percent in the total industry capacity since April 1990. While durable industries advanced, nondurable manufacturing continued to weaken. Among nondurable industries, the textile mill and apparel products sectors increased or held steady. April utilization levels were 81.7 and 71.5 percent, respectively.

In April 1991 the seasonally adjusted U.S. unemployment rate for all civilian workers declined for the first time since May 1990. The April unemployment rate was 6.6 percent. This compares with 6.8 percent in March, the highest rate in over 4 years. Similarly, unemployment in the textile mill products sector fell to 6.0 percent in April. This compares to a 5-year high for the sector of 9.5 percent recorded in March 1991. In contrast, unemployment in the apparel products sector rose to 9.1 percent in April from a 9-month low of 8.2 percent in March.

The overall trade balance improved in first-quarter 1991 from a year earlier. U.S. merchandise exports, on a seasonally adjusted basis, increased 5.6 percent above first-quarter 1990 to $\$ 101.7$ billion, while imports declined 3.1 percent to $\$ 118.7$ billion. For the first-quarter, the trade balance fell $\$ 9.3$ billion from the respective quarter in 1990 to $\$ 16.9$ billion. Agricultural commodities reported a net trade surplus of $\$ 4.5$ billion and continue to help close the trade gap. During first-quarter 1991, cotton exports were 16 percent above those of a year earlier.
U.S. imports (square-meter-equivalent basis) of textiles and apparel made of cotton, wool, manmade fiber, silk blends, and noncotton vegetable fiber dropped 4.9 percent in firstquarter 1991 from a year earlier. Imports of both apparel and textile mill products declined 5.2 and 4.7 percent, respectively. By volume, cotton, wool, and manmade fiber imports weakened in the first quarter of 1991 by $3.4,13.1$, and 6.6 percent, respectively. Comparing the first quarter of 1991 to that of 1990 , these imports also decreased in value. Cotton imports declined 6.0 percent; wool, 7.8 percent; and manmade fibers, 3.3 percent.

Real trade-weighted exchange rate indexes for cotton and manmade fiber textile trade since 1985 are illustrated in figures 1 and 2. Figure 1 suggests imports of cotton textiles may be strengthened by an appreciating dollar which promotes imports as relatively less expensive. Domestic mill demand should also remain strong as reflected by the index, favoring cotton textile exports. Figure 2 also suggests the continuation of strong manmade fiber imports, again reflecting the strong U.S. dollar. The index for manmade fiber exports, however, is relatively stable, reflecting a pos-

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Figure 1
Real Trade-Weighted Exchange Rate
Index Favors Cotton Textile Imports


Figure 2
Real Trade-Weighted Exchange Rates
Favor Manmade Fiber Imports

sibly larger textile deficit. The real trade-weighted exchange rate data for cotton and manmade textiles are presented in appendix table 27.

## Upland Cotton Situation

High Ylelds in Texas, Oklahoma Boost 1990 Production
Final 1990-crop cotton data released in May place U.S. upland cotton production at 15.1 million bales, 32 percent larger than the 1989 crop. Planted acreage in 1990 was 12.1 million, up about 19 percent. Lower abandonment in 1990, 5 percent (versus 10 percent in 1989), contributed to the sharper, 26 -percent rise in harvested area to 11.5 million acres. Upland cotton acreage abandonment in the U.S. (less Texas) fell to a low 1.7 percent in 1990 , reflecting another in a recent series of good harvest seasons. Average yield in 1990 rose 30 pounds to 632 pounds per harvested acre (table A).

Upland cotton production in the Southeast, Delta, Southwest and West was up 18, 22, 76 and 7 percent, respectively, in 1990. Highlights of the 1990/91 U.S. cotton production season were:

- highest yielding crop ever in Oklahoma, at 496 pounds per harvested acre,
- Second highest yielding crop on record in Texas, at 477 pounds per harvested acre,
- largest cotton crop ever in Louisiana- 1.18 million bales, and
- the largest cotton crop in 25 years in North Carolina263,000 bales.


## Domestic MIII Use Rebounds From Seasonal Low, Strong First Quarter

On May 3, 1991, the Department of Commerce released its first mill consumption and stocks data in the new quarterly format. The data cover the first quarter of calendar year 1991 (January-March). During this 3-month period, U.S. mills consumed 2.13 million $480-\mathrm{lb}$. bales of upland cotton,

| Region | Planted | Harvested | Yield | Production |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | es--- | Lbs./acre | 1,000 bales |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Southeast: 2/ } \\ & 1989 \\ & 1990 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 853 \\ 1,133 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 838 \\ 1,123 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 603 \\ & 531 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1,052 \\ & 1,242 \end{aligned}$ |
| $\begin{gathered} \text { Delta: } 3 / \\ 1989 \\ 1990 \end{gathered}$ | 2,984 3,583 | 2,904 3,510 | $\begin{aligned} & 664 \\ & 672 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 4,019 \\ & 4,917 \end{aligned}$ |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Southwest: 4/ } \\ & 1989 \\ & 1990 \end{aligned}$ | 5,022 5,882 | 4,090 5,371 | $\begin{aligned} & 357 \\ & 478 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 3,043 \\ & 5,348 \end{aligned}$ |
| $\begin{gathered} \text { West: } 5 / \\ 1989 \\ 1990 \end{gathered}$ | 1,351 | 1,334 1,500 | 1.220 1,163 | 3,390 3,634 |
| $\begin{array}{r} \text { Total: } \\ 1989 \\ 1990 \end{array}$ | 10,210 12,197 | 9.166 11,504 | $\begin{aligned} & 602 \\ & 632 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 11,504 \\ & 15,141 \end{aligned}$ |
| 1/ Based on South Carolina 4/ Kansas, Okl | produ Virginia and Tex | ort. 2/ kansas, Lou Arizona, Ca | , Florida Mississi nia, and Ne | ia, North C issouri, and co. |

Figure 3
Cotton Share Hits 20-Year High


Figure 4
Fiber Prices Favor Polyester
Cents/lb


Raw-fiber-equivalent basis.
down 2.3 percent ( 50,100 bales) from the same quarter of the previous season. Domestic mills used 1.94 million bales in the last quarter of 1990. The recent data suggest a resurgence in mill use during January-March and support the current USDA forecast for 1990/91 upland cotton mill use of 8.335 million $480-\mathrm{lb}$. bales. For the first 8 months of the 1990/91 season, domestic mills used 5.638 million $480-\mathrm{lb}$. bales of upland cotton, compared with 5.864 million for the first 8 months of last season. The tentative release date for second-quarter (April-June) data on mill consumption of cotton is August 6,1991 . End-of-season (July 31, 1991) cotton stocks data will not be available until early November.

All cottons' share of fibers used on the cotton system reached 74 percent in the January-March period, continuing its upward trend (fig. 3). Cotton's share was 72.6 percent in the previous quarter and 72 percent a year earlier. The recent increase in cotton share reflects not only a continuing consumer preference for cotton fiber but also the propensity of manmade fiber products-concentrated more in industrial and household end uses-to suffer more pronounced weakness during economic contractions.

Domestic mill use of upland cotton has been quite strong in early 1991 despite a sharp runup in cotton fiber prices and stable-to-lower polyester fiber prices (fig. 4). At 89 cents per pound in January, the mill-delivered price of strict low middling (SLM) 1-1/16 inch cotton, on a raw fiber equivalent basis, has risen to about $\$ 1.00$ per pound in March and April. Prices of polyester, on a raw fiber equivalent basis, had held steady at 81 cents per pound during January-March, before falling to 75 cents in April.

The cotton/polyester price ratio was 1.10, 1.19, 1.23 and 1.32 in January, February, March and April, respectively. In April, cotton was in its least price competitive position since June 1987. Despite the relative price movements of the two fibers, early indications for the second calendar quarter suggest that cotton use is being buoyed by good denim demand and seasonal demand for back-to-school items.

## High Prices Moderate Export Pace

Since moving above the A Index in late 1990, U.S. A-type cotton prices on the Northern Europe market, as measured by Memphis Territory (MT) quotes, have continued to rise (fig. 5). By late May, MT quotes were nearly 13 cents above the A Index and 16 cents above the low quote for comparable styles. In May, MT prices were the highest quoted for A-type cotton, averaging nearly $\$ 1.00$ per pound and 600 points above the second most expensive cotton. Quotes for MT cotton have not been included in the A Index since January.
U.S. cotton quotes for coarse-count cotton, as indicated by Orleans/Texas (O/T) prices, rose sharply in February to 85 cents per pound and then retreated 500 points by the end of March. In April and May, O/T prices were quite stable near 81 cents per pound and averaged 300 points above the $B$ Index (fig. 6). In February, March, and April, O/T quotes have been included in the B Index only 18 days, and usually as the most expensive quote. In May, O/T quotes have appeared in the B Index more frequently, owing more to a rise in Turkish prices and the paucity of competing quotes than any weakening of $\mathrm{O} / \mathrm{T}$ prices.

The U.S. is expected to garner one-third of cotton world trade in 1990/91, up slightly from 32 percent last season. Among individual countries, the U.S. share of total cotton imports is expected to reach 56 percent in Japan, 63 percent in Korea and 71 percent in China (table B).
U.S. 1990/91 upland cotton exports are projected at 7.5 million $480-\mathrm{lb}$. bales, compared with exports of 7.24 last year. The much higher U.S. cotton quotes on the Northern Europe market have dampened recent sales and shipments for the 1990/91 season; nonetheless, the slower pace appears sufficient to attain the export projection.

Figure 5
Memphis Territory Prices
Remain Out of A Index


Figure 6
Orleans/Texas Remains Out of B Index


Table B--U.S. cotton export shares to selected countries
Country $1987 / 88$ 1988/89 1989/90 1990/91 $1 /$

|  | Percent |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Japan | 46 | 40 | 50 | 56 |
| Korea | 74 | 61 | 67 | 63 |
| Taiwan | 26 | 14 | 28 | 33 |
| Hong Kong | 7 | 8 | 20 | 21 |
| Italy | 29 | 16 | 32 | 33 |
| France | 9 | 1 | 3 | 6 |
| Germany | 39 | 24 | 36 | 19 |
| Portugal | 7 | 3 | 6 | 7 |
| Indonesia | 33 | 28 | 39 | 35 |
| Thailand | 28 | 14 | 29 | 21 |
| China | 0 | 69 | 36 | 71 |
| World | 28 | 24 | 32 | 33 |

In the 40th week of the 1990/91 season, upland shipments are 110 percent of their year-earlier level. Based on data from 1975-89, the total commitments/final shipments ratio in the 40 th week of the season is expected to be 1.068 , compared with the current-season ratio of 1.02 . The implication is that, in order to achieve the USDA upland export forecast-in the absence of an upsurge in sales during the remainder of the season-cancellations-plus-rollover will likely need to be very low relative to final shipments this season.
U.S. monthly upland cotton shipments proceeded at rates well above those expected in first-half 1990/91, based on the total export forecast for the season and historical shipment patterns (fig. 7). In March and April, shipment rates weakened to a more normal rate. The recently higher U.S. cotton prices are expected to dampen further shipment rates in the last months of the 1990/91 season. However, owing to the strong shipment rates in the first half of the season, shipments in May, June, and July could fall well below historically based expected levels and still achieve the upland export forecast.

Figure 7
1990/91 U.S. Upland Export Pace Slows


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## Cotton Prices Rise With Tight Supplies and New Crop Concerns

In April, U.S. spot market prices for strict low middling (SLM) 1-1/16 inch cotton averaged 79.94 cents per poundthe highest in a decade and 863 points above a year ago. Further sharp gains in early May pushed spot market prices over 86 cents per pound and July futures over 92 cents. Thus far this season the adjusted world price, averaging over 65 cents in May, has been well above the U.S. upland loan rate of 50 cents per pound (table C).

Cash and futures prices for old-crop cotton have strengthened on seasonal supply tightness associated with strong offtake, while new-crop futures prices have surged

Table C-U.S. cotton prices, 1990/91

| Month | Average | July | Adjusted |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| and | spot market | futures | world |
| day | price 1/ | price 1/, | price $2 /$ |


| Aug. | $\begin{array}{r} 2 \\ 9 \\ 16 \\ 23 \\ 30 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 78.96 \\ & 78.86 \\ & 72.68 \\ & 74.69 \\ & 74.91 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 73.10 \\ & 72.70 \\ & 70.85 \\ & 72.50 \\ & 74.43 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 66.40 \\ & 66.31 \\ & 64.82 \\ & 64.24 \\ & 66.01 \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Sept. | $\begin{aligned} & 6 \\ & 13 \\ & 20 \\ & 27 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 72.95 \\ & 70.44 \\ & 71.57 \\ & 70.03 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 74.45 \\ & 74.52 \\ & 74.85 \\ & 74.05 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 65.94 \\ & 65.62 \\ & 65.75 \\ & 65.45 \end{aligned}$ |
| oct. | $\begin{array}{r} 4 \\ 11 \\ 18 \\ 25 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 69.17 \\ & 70.28 \\ & 70.22 \\ & 71.19 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 73.40 \\ & 74.37 \\ & 74.10 \\ & 75.00 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 64.93 \\ & 65.55 \\ & 65.87 \\ & 66.46 \end{aligned}$ |
| Nov. | $\begin{array}{r} 1 \\ 8 \\ 85 \\ 22 \\ 29 \end{array}$ | $\begin{gathered} 71.31 \\ 69.55 \\ 6964 \\ \text { Hol iday } \\ 68.56 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 75.01 \\ 74.70 \\ 73.95 \\ \text { Holiday } \\ 73.22 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 67.12 \\ & 86.63 \\ & 66.56 \\ & 66.84 \\ & 66.89 \end{aligned}$ |
| Dec. | $\begin{array}{r} 6 \\ 13 \\ 20 \\ 27 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 68.55 \\ & 69.91 \\ & 70.44 \\ & 7.49 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 73.16 \\ & 74.57 \\ & 75.25 \\ & 74.87 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 66.86 \\ & 67.79 \\ & 68.23 \\ & 68.91 \end{aligned}$ |
| Jan. | $\begin{array}{r} 3 \\ 10 \\ 17 \\ 24 \\ 31 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 70.36 \\ & 69.55 \\ & 70.83 \\ & 70.21 \\ & 72.56 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 74.50 \\ & 73.48 \\ & 75.59 \\ & 75.20 \\ & 77.12 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 68.48 \\ & 67.22 \\ & 67.09 \\ & 67.71 \\ & 67.77 \end{aligned}$ |
| Feb. | $\begin{array}{r} 7 \\ 14 \\ 21 \\ 28 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 76.11 \\ & 77.31 \\ & 78.78 \\ & 80.38 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 79.77 \\ & 81.92 \\ & 84.58 \\ & 85.98 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 68.74 \\ & 68.90 \\ & 69.02 \\ & 68.76 \end{aligned}$ |
| Mar. | $\begin{array}{r} 7 \\ 14 \\ 21 \\ 28 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 78.29 \\ & 79.10 \\ & 77.16 \\ & 76.01 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 84.10 \\ & 85.12 \\ & 83.65 \\ & 82.11 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 68.88 \\ & 67.85 \\ & 67.14 \\ & 66.23 \end{aligned}$ |
| Apr. | $\begin{array}{r} 4 \\ 11 \\ 18 \\ 25 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 77.92 \\ & 80.66 \\ & 80.01 \\ & 80.25 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 83.55 \\ & 85.51 \\ & 86.56 \\ & 8.05 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 66.59 \\ & 66.80 \\ & 65.91 \\ & 65.84 \end{aligned}$ |
| May | $\begin{array}{r} 2 \\ 9 \\ 16 \\ 23 \\ 30 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 81.88 \\ & 83.04 \\ & 85.95 \\ & 84.69 \\ & 81.91 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 88.13 \\ & 88.55 \\ & 91.83 \\ & 89.86 \\ & 86.77 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 65.35 \\ & 65.60 \\ & 65.81 \\ & 66.39 \\ & 64.90 \end{aligned}$ |

1/ Spot and July futures prices are for SLM 1-1/16 inch cotton, U.S. base quality. 2/ Adjusted world price is the Northern European price, adjusted to SLM 1-1/16 inch at average U.S. producing locations. Adjusted world prices are applicable for the week following the date shown.


1/ Producer and cooperative loans through April 30 1991. Regional stetistics do not reflect a backlog of loan payments for 1988 crop. 2/ Alabama, Florida, Georgia, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Virginia. 3/ Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, and Tennessee. 4/ Kansas, Oklahoma, and texas. 5/ Arizona, California, and New Mexico.
with diminished 1991 crop prospects. Any additional planting and early crop development problems that delay the harvesting of the 1991 crop will likely further stress supplies during the transition from old- (1990) to new- (1991) crop cotton.

The recent strength in upland cotton cash prices has focused attention on the special global import quota for cotton (see cover chart and related special article). Should upland cotton spot prices rise high enough to activate the quota trigger current legislation provides for the import, during a 90 -day period, of an amount of cotton equal to 21 day's mill consumption.

Higher upland cotton prices in the 1990/91 season have reduced loan entry of 1990 -crop cotton (table D). At the end of April 1991, about 3.2 million running bales ( 22 percent) of 1990-crop upland cotton had been put under loan, compared with 3.7 million ( 34 percent) of the 1989-crop.

Stocks of upland cotton on July 31, 1991, are projected at 2.2 million bales, down nearly 600,000 from their beginning level. The ending-stocks-to-use ratio is projected at a low, 14 percent.

## Modest Production and Stocks Increase Expected in 1991/92

A sharply lower acreage reduction requirement (ARP) of 5 percent (versus the current season's 12.5 percent), higher cotton prices, and the new planting flexibility provisions of the 1990 Farm Act are likely to result in a larger U.S. upland cotton crop in 1991/92. The U.S. Prospective Plantings report released in late March showed prospective upland plantings of 13.8 million acres, about 13 percent more than last season (table E).

Preseason upland cotton production forecasts are especially difficult this season and have become rapidly dated as they have been influenced by:

- volatile cotton prices,
- excessive rainfall in the Delta,
- unseasonably low temperatures in the West, and
- inadequate moisture in Texas' High Plains.

In many areas of the Delta, this April proved to be the wettest on record. Aside from the extreme volume, the pattern of rainfall was particularly detrimental as precipitation $\alpha$ ccurred throughout the month and permitted almost no field preparation or early planting during this critical period. The pattern persisted into early May, the usual peak of planting activity in this region.

While 7-10 days of clear weather would permit rapid sowing progress, some potential cotton acreage is now seen likely to remain waterlogged beyond a reasonable planting date. Also, many producers, who had earlier anticipated increasing their cotton sowings by devoting their flex acres to the crop, had planned to do so without expanding their equipment contingent-counting on a long and open planting season. These producers now face a much narrower planting window and sowings will likely be reduced.

Nonetheless, producers in the region are expected to press on with cotton planting as late in the season as is economically practicable. While agronomic factors militate against late planting, many producers view their principal fallback crop, soybeans, as a distant second-best economic alternative, based on current and historical soybean/cotton price relationships.

Table E--Estimated upland cotton acreage, 1990/91

| Region 1/ | 1990 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Indicated } \\ & 19912 / \end{aligned}$ | Percentage increase |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 1,000 acres |  |
| Southeast | 1,143 | 1,443 | 26 |
| Delta | 3,578 | 4,140 | 16 |
| Southern Plains | 5,987 | 6,882 | 15 |
| West | 1,489 | 1,305 | -9 |
| Total | 12,197 | 13,770 | 13 |

1/ Southeast: Alabama, Georgia, South Carolina,
North Carolina, Virginia, Florida; Delta: Missiśsippi, Louisiana Arkansas, Tennessee, Missouri; Southern plains: Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas; West: California, New Mexico, and Arizona. 2/ Based on March 28, 1991, Prospective Plantings report.

Table F-Use of upland cotton acreage bases by region, 1982-91


## 1,000 acres

| 1982 | 850 | 84 | 3,252 | 85 | 8,884 | 82 | 2,322 | 90 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1983 | 881 | 99 | 3,348 | 99 | 8,869 | 93 | 2,331 | 101 |
| 1984 | 926 | 92 | 3,462 | 94 | 8,825 | 83 | 2,351 | 90 |
| 1985 | 1,000 | 106 | 3,584 | 98 | 8,868 | 85 | 2,372 | 90 |
| 1986 | 1,088 | 96 | 3,706 | 95 | 8,534 | 89 | 2,237 | 82 |
| 1987 | 1,094 | 104 | 3,673 | 103 | 7,640 | 95 | 2,264 | 86 |
| 1988 | 1,143 | 107 | 3,714 | 106 | 7,398 | 98 | 2,229 | 92 |
| 1989 | 1,223 | 96 | 3,868 | 101 | 7,269 | 94 | 2,205 | 81 |
| 1990 \% | 1,206 | 1107 | 3,815 4,076 | 103 | 7,129 | 95 100 | 2,129 | 76 65 |

1/ Alabama, Florida, Georgia, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Virginia. 2/ Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, and Tennessee. 3/ Kansas, Oklahoma, and Texas. 4/ Arizona, California and New Mexico. 5/ Includes planted plus diverted acres. 6/ Estimated, based on March 28, 1991, prospective plantings report and prel iminary Program Enrollment report. Total acreage bases for 1987 to present' are reduced by base acres accepted into the Conservation Reserve Program with signed contracts.

In the West, where sowings were already down due to moisture problems, cool temperatures in April hindered early plant development. This season's cool temperatures could result in below-average yields.

Assuming actual planted acreage is close to the March Planting Intentions report of 13.8 million acres, and assuming average abandonment and yields, total upland cotton production could range from 15 to 17 million bales. However, prospects have likely diminished since the March acreage report. The initial USDA forecast, based on conditions through early May, has projected 1991 upland cotton production at 15.6 million bales.

The preliminary U.S. upland cotton base in 1991 is estimated at 14.6 million acres, based on USDA's May 13 preliminary enrollment report. Upland cotton base acreage is estimated up 1.7 percent from 1990, with increases in all regions except the West (table F). The modest upturn in the Southern Plains represents the first increase in 6 years.

The preliminary enrollment report also provided an early assessment of how program participants planned to respond to the new planting flexibility provisions of the 1990 farm bill (see related special article). Upland cotton producers participating in the 1991/92 cotton program indicated that they would "flex" about 476,000 acres of other-program-crop base acreage into upland cotton and about 274,000 upland base acres into other crops. The net flexed acreage for upland cotton-the only program crop showing a net gainis 202,000 acres.

## Total Offtake To Fall in 1991/92 With Lower Export Prospects

Upland cotton offtake is expected to decline in 1991/92 as stable-to-slightly-stronger mill use is offset by significantly lower exports. U.S. upland export prospects are lower, based on an expected higher foreign outturn in response to high cotton prices. U.S. upland exports in 1991/92 are projected at 6.6 million bales, down 900,000 from the cur-

Figure 8
Strong Preseason Sales for Upland Cotton


Figure 9
Upland Cotton Stocks, Stocks-To-Use Ratio To Rise Slightly in 1991/92


Estimated 1990 and projected 1991.
rent season. Despite higher cotton prices, preseason sales of upland cotton for the 1991/92 season were 1.1 million bales at the end of April, 14 percent ahead of their year-earlier pace (fig. 8).

| Table G--Final 1989 and 1990 ELS cotton acreage, yield, and production 1/ |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| State | Planted | Harvested | Yield | Production |
|  | ---1,000 | acres- | Lbs./acre | 1,000 bales |
| Arizona: |  |  |  |  |
| 1989 1990 | 245.0 | 244.5 124.0 | 936 751 | 477.0 194.0 |
| Texas: 8207804129.0 |  |  |  |  |
| 1989 | 82.0 | 78.0 | 794 682 | 129.0 81.0 |
| 1990 | 60.0 | 57.0 | 682 | 81.0 |
| New Mexico: |  |  |  |  |
| 1989 | 30.3 | 30.2 | 707 | 44.5 |
| 1990 | 19.3 | 19.3 | 609 | 24.5 |
| California: |  |  |  |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1989 \\ & 1990 \end{aligned}$ | 18.0 25.7 | 17.9 25.5 | 1,078 | 40.2 57.4 |
| Mississippi: |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| 1989 1990 | 1.6 | 1.3 | 491 | 1.6 |
| Total: |  |  |  |  |
| 1989 | 376.9 | 371.7 | 893 | 691.7 |
| 1990 | 231.3 | 227.1 | 758 | 358.5 |
| 1/ Based on May Crop Production report |  |  |  |  |

Domestic mill use of upland cotton may improve slightly in 1991/92 over 1990's strong usage rates. Upland mill use in 1991/92 is projected at 8.4 million bales, about 1 percent ahead of the current season's forecast. An expected improvement in the general economy in 1991/92 will likely boost upland mill use.

With 1991/92 beginning stocks of upland cotton projected at 2.2 million bales and production estimated at 15.6 million, total upland cotton supply is projected at 17.8 million bales. Based on projected offtake of 15 million bales, ending stocks of upland cotton on July 31, 1992, are placed at 2.9 million bales. The ending stocks-to-use ratio in 1991/92 is projected at 19 percent, compared with an estimate of 14 percent in 1990/91 (fig. 9).

## ELS Cotton Sltuation

## Production and Use Below Last Season

Final extra-long staple (ELS) cotton production for 1990 totaled 358,000 bales, down nearly one-half from last season's record outtum of 692,000 bales (table G). This season's lower production resulted from a decrease in acreage and a substantial yield reduction. Harvested area was 227,100 acres, 39 percent below 1989. Average lint yields dropped 135 pounds per harvested acre to 758 pounds.

Higher ELS prices have moderated this season's domestic use and exports. ELS cotton, averaging $\$ 1.19$ per pound for the first 9 months of the season, carried a 43-cent premium over upland cotton, compared with a 33-cent premium last season (fig. 10). Based on current estimates, total ELS use this season could reach 465,000 bales. If realized, total ELS usage would decline more than 11 percent from 1989/90.

During the first 9 months of the season, domestic mill use of ELS cotton reached 41,244 bales, nearly 10,000 bales below last season's respective level. Although consumption is lower, ELS mill use should reach 65,000 bales this season, compared with 73,000 last season.

Exports of ELS cotton during the first 9 months of 1990/91 climbed to 313,000 running bales, near last year's pace. At the beginning of May, ELS export commitments (shipments plus outstanding sales) for 1990/91 were 17 percent behind last season. Based on these commitments, adjusted for rollover and cancellations, exports could reach 400,000480 pound bales. With lower production and a slight reduction in demand, ELS ending stocks are projected to fall to 90,000 bales, down sharply from last season's 207,000 bales.

## Larger ELS Base, but Fewer 1991/92 Plantings Indicated

Interest in growing ELS cotton in the United States continues to increase as strong demand and attractive prices remain. In the past 2 years, 50 additional counties were designated by the USDA as suitable for growing ELS cotton. For the 1991 season, 2 additional counties were made eligible. The designated counties are Madera County in California and Atascosa County in Texas.

A total of 92 counties in 8 States now have been designated as eligible to grow ELS cotton. The Agricultural Act of 1949, as amended, defines ELS cotton, for program purposes, as "any pure strains of the Barbadense species, or hybrid thereof, of cotton that is grown in a county designated by the Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC) as suitable for ELS production and that is ginned on a roller gin."

The 1991 preliminary enrollment report estimated total ELS cotton base at 230,149 acres, 51 percent above the acreage in the final 1990 compliance report. Based on the preliminary


Figure 10
Relative Prices at Planting Favor Pima*

- Pima (46-03) and Desert SW Spot.
data, acreage enrolled in the ELS program (27,919 acres) accounts for 12 percent of total base, with no acreage in California or Mississippi enrolled.

The Prospective Plantings survey conducted in March indicated that 222,000 acres are intended to be planted in 1991. If actual plantings match the March intentions, ELS acreage would decline 4.4 percent from 1990 plantings. By State, ELS acreage projections suggest a 40,000-acre reduction in Arizona; however, California plantings are expected to be up sharply, nearly offsetting Arizona's decrease. Projections for Texas, New Mexico, and Mississippi have remained relatively stable. Using planting intentions and trend yields, 1991 ELS production could range between 375,000 and 425,000 bales.

Figure 11
ELS Preseason Sales for 1991/92
Move Above Last Season


| Year beginning August | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 | $\begin{aligned} & 1990 \\ & \text { est. } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1991 \\ & \text { proj } \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1,000 480-lb. bales |  |  |  |  |
| Beginning stocks: 200888 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Egypt, L. Stpl. | 200 | 181 | 97 | 82 | 81 |
| India | 89 | 158 | 226 | 301 | 204 |
| Israel | 5 | 5 | 7 | 10 | 21 |
| Peru | 18 | 5 | 11 | 31 | 28 |
| PRC | 11 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 18 |
| Sudan | 310 | 224 | 166 | 231 | 180 |
| USSR | 162 | 268 | 340 | 102 | 249 |
| Other producers | 29 | 27 | 23 | 27 | 21 |
| Subtotal | 824 | 872 | 874 | 788 | 802 |
| Egypt, ${ }_{\text {Total }}$ ELS | 132 956 | 109 | 886 | 69 857 | 74 876 |
| Production: stpl 936 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Egypt, L. Stpl. | 1,218 | 1,039 | 938 | 964 | 936 |
| India | 1,000 | 878 | 979 | 863 | 985 |
| Israel | 58 | 85 | 143 | 72 | 16 |
| Peru | 49 | 106 | 150 | 123 | 89 |
| PRC | 116 | 115 | 161 | 177 | 195 |
| Sudan | 195 | 186 | 222 | 88 | 54 |
| USSR | 1,704 | 1,792 | 1,241 | 1,400 | 1,200 |
| Other producers |  |  |  |  |  |
| Subtotal | 4,399 | 4.250 | 3,884 | 3,744 | 3,535 |
| Egypt, ELS | 1 479 4,778 | , 370 4.620 | 3,371 4,255 | 3,380 4.124 | 3.397 3.932 |
| Total | 4,778 | 4,620 | 4,255 | 4,124 | 3,932 |
| Consumption: 90808080808080 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Egypt, L. Stpl. | 1,080 | 966 | 903 | 940 | 890 |
| India | 925 | 811 | 786 | 843 | 850 |
| I srael | 5 | 0 | 8 | 1 50 | 1 |
| Peru | 54 | 34 | 80 | 50 | 55 |
| PRC | 40 | 65 3 | 93 | 90 9 | 95 |
| Sudan | 1.450 | 1. 50 | $138{ }^{6}$ | 19 | 1.201 |
| USSR Other producers | 1,450 41 | 1,500 | 1,380 22 | 1,264 | 1,201 |
| Other producers Subtotal | $\begin{array}{r} 41 \\ 3,597 \end{array}$ | $3,401$ | $3,270$ | $3,219$ | $3,119$ |
| Egypt, ELS |  | 3. 200 | + 232 | 3,225 |  |
| Total | 3,760 | 3,601 | 3,502 | 3,444 | 3,359 |
| Exports: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Egypt, L. Stpl. | 172 | 100 | 50 | 25 | 65 |
| India | 8 | 0 | 117 | 117 | 117 |
| Israel | 58 | 83 | 140 | 60 | 30 |
| Peru | 12 | 51 | 50 | 75 | 29 |
| PRC | 100 | 60 | 83 | 87 | 115 |
| Sudan | 290 | 241 | 151 | 130 | 120 |
| USSR | 218 | 259 | 145 | 36 | 75 |
| Other producers | $\begin{array}{r} 15 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | 63 857 | - 57 | 73 603 | 70 621 |
| Subtotal <br> Egypt ELS | $\begin{aligned} & 902 \\ & 231 \end{aligned}$ | 857 176 | 793 156 | 603 150 | 621 165 |
| Egypt, ELS | 231 1.130 | 176 1,033 | 156 | 150 753 | 165 786 |

Source: International Cotton Advisory Committee, Washington, D.C.

Demand for ELS cotton in 1991/92 should remain strong but stable. Both domestic mill use and exports are expected to remain near this season's levels. The pace of preseason export sales for 1991/92 is ahead of last season (fig. 11). At the end of April, ELS sales for next season were running 58 percent ahead of 1990/91 preseason sales. Based on supply and demand, ELS ending stocks could range between 40,000 and 60,000 bales.

## Forelgn Production and Consumption Estimated Lower Thls Season and In 1991/92

According to the International Cotton Advisory Committee (ICAC) estimates for foreign producing countries, both ELS production and consumption are expected to decline this season (table H ). Foreign production is estimated at 4.1 million bales in 1990/91. While production is expected to fall 3 percent from last season, consumption in foreign producing countries is estimated to decline nearly 2 percent to 3.4 million bales.

ICAC estimates indicate that production in Israel and Sudan will be down sharply from last year. In Israel, ELS output is expected to be cut in half-back to more historical levels. In Sudan, production is reported down over 100,000 bales. On the other hand, ICAC indicates that the Soviet Union's increase in output will nearly offset these declines.

In 1990, foreign ELS exports continued their downward trend. Exports this season are estimated at 753,000 bales, 21 percent below last year and 33 percent below the 1987 level.

The Soviet Union and Israel, with its lower production, lead the export declines. Based on supply and demand, 1991/92 beginning stocks could rise slightly to 876,000 bales, up from this season's 857,000 bales.

In 1991/92, foreign ELS production and consumption are projected to decline even further, while exports are expected to rebound slightly. Current ICAC estimates forecast production and consumption at 3.9 and 3.4 million bales, respectively. ELS exports are projected at 786,000 bales. Based on these estimates, a moderate decline in stock levels is expected in foreign producing countries.

## Foreign Cotton Situation and Outlook

## Record Production Expected in 1991/92

World cotton production in 1991/92 is forecast at a record 91 million bales, up 5 percent from 86.8 million in 1990/91 (table I). The previous record of 89 million bales was produced in 1984/85, the year of China's spectacular 28.7-million-bale crop.

China's plans for another large crop in 1991/92 will help push foreign output to within 1 million bales of the 76-million-bale record of $1984 / 85$. Foreign production is forecast to rise nearly 4 million bales from the 71.3 -millionbale crop in 1990/91 (fig. 12). Gains in foreign area as well as yields are likely.

| Year beginning August 1 | United States | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Major } \\ & \text { importers } \\ & \text { 2/ } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Major } \\ & \text { exporters } \\ & 3 / \end{aligned}$ | Other | Total foreign | World |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Million 480-16. bales |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1989/90: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Supply-- ${ }^{\text {Beginning stocks }}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Beginning stocks Production | 12.1 | 5.2 1.5 | 43.2 | 22.0 | 23.1 67.8 | 30.2 80.0 |
| Production | 4; | 16.1 | 3.0 | 6.0 | 25.2 | 25.2 |
| Use-- |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Mill use | 8.8 | 17.1 | 39.8 | 21.8 | 78.5 | 87.3 |
| Exports | 7.7 | 1.0 | 8.4 | 6.9 | 16.3 | 24.0 |
| Ending stocks | 3.0 | 4.6 | 7.4 | 8.9 | 20.8 | 23.8 |
| 1990/91: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Beginning stocks | 3.0 | 4.6 | 7.4 | 8.9 | 20.8 | 23.8 |
| Production | 15.6 | 1.6 | 45.8 | 22.0 | 70.4 | 86.1 |
| Use-- 210.0 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Exports | 8.0 | 1.1 | 7.5 | 6.9 | 16.1 | 24.1 |
| Ending stocks | 2.3 | 4.1 | 8.4 | 7.8 | 20.5 | 22.7 |

1/ Based on May 9, 1991, World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates
report, 1990/91 projected. Totals may not add and stocks may not balance because
of rounding, a small quantity of cotton destroyed, and unaccounted differences.
2/ Eastern Éurope, Western Europe, Japan, Hong Kóng, Republic of Korea, and Taiwan. 3/ Australia, China, Central America, Egypt, Mexico, Pakistan, Sudan, furkey, and the USSR. 4/ Less than 5,000 bales.

Figure 12
Foreign Stocks Projected Up Slightly


Estimated 1990 and projected 1991.

Increased foreign production will be highly dependent upon China's success in expanding area. Recently China announced planting intentions of 6.6 million hectares ( 16.3 million acres), 19 percent above the 1990/91 planted area. If realized, this would be the largest gain since the 1951/52 crop year and China's second largest cotton area on record. Although the Government announced no additional price increases for 1991/92 cotton, the substantial price rise in 1990/91 should continue to encourage cotton planting. Winter wheat farmers in the North China Plain-who plant in the fall prior to price announcements for spring-planted crops like cotton-appear to have reduced wheat area this year, perhaps intending to switch into cotton this spring.

India also plans for sharply larger area and production. As in China, even if India fails to achieve completely its planned increases, some gain over the reduced yields of 1990/91 is likely.

Mexico estimates its planted area at about 260,000 hectares, up from 1990/91. Prospects for yields are good because its reservoirs are more full than usual.

Prospects for other Northern Hemisphere producers are mixed. Turkey reports an expected gain in area, as decreases in its southern region are more than offset by a large increase in the main producing region. But, Turkey's 1990/91 yields were quite good, so a return to more normal yields is likely.

Egypt's cotton planting target is 385,000 hectares, down from 418,000 hectares in 1990/91. Planted area reportedly fell short of the target.

The USSR's main cotton producing republics again report a planned cotton area decrease of roughly 150,000 hectares, although improved price incentives may offset some of the decline.

The Government of Sudan intends to lower sharply the area planted to cotton in its irrigation projects and increase wheat production. Israel and Syria, which are experiencing a severe drought and water shortages, will also sharply decrease their planted area.

Spain's reservoirs are below normal levels and available irrigation water has recovered from earlier rationing. In Greece, planting weather has been cool and rainy and some delay is now anticipated. In addition, the EC has yet to announce support prices for Spain and Greece, increasing risk and uncertainty for some farmers.

Southern Hemisphere producers will not begin planting until October; they are just completing the 1990/91 harvest. If world prices continue high at that time, producers there are expected to plant record or near-record area again-as most did this season.

## World Prices Remain High but Stable

World prices for 1990/91 remained high through May 1991, according to the Cotlook A Index on the Northern European market in Liverpool. So far, the 1990/91 A Index is averaging 82.9 cents per pound, fractionally above last season's 82.4-cent average. A Index prices have varied unusually little this season (fig. 13). Although U.S. prices have risen dramatically in recent months, more competitive prices on the world market-particularly from the Southern Hemisphere crops just being harvested-kept the A Index stable.

Cotlook began quoting forward A Index prices for the 1991/92 season at the end of March. These prices have been slightly lower than the 1990/91 A Index, in the range of $80-$ 81 cents per pound, suggesting improved supplies are expected.


A Index prices.

Figure 14
Foreign Polyester Prices Weaken


## Consumption Also Projected Up

Global consumption is expected to exceed 1990/91's slightly reduced level of 85.9 million bales. Consumption in 1991/92 is projected at 88 million, up 2.4 percent. Foreign use of 79.5 million bales, up 2 million, will account for much of the gain.

With the world's economies expecting improved growth during the season, gains in income and population should again push cotton demand up. But, polyester prices dropped sharply in Europe and Asia in recent months, increasing the attractiveness of that fiber over cotton (fig. 14).

Among foreign countries, producers are likely to show the greatest consumption gains. As long as world prices remain relatively high, traditional cotton importers should use minimal amounts of cotton, as they have in 1990/91.

## Total Exports Projected Off, but Foreign Exports To Rise

With consumption expansion primarily occurring among cot-ton-producing countries and with rising demand for other fibers, world exports are forecast at 23.5 million bales, down from 24 million in 1990/91. Foreign exports, however, are projected to rise slightly, to 16.5 million bales, as foreign production expands. Much of the increasing foreign production, however, is expected to be consumed within the producing countries.

Increased foreign competition, coupled with possibly reduced import demand from China and higher U.S. consumption and stock building, is expected to push U.S. exports down 11 percent to 7 million bales. Despite the drop in exports, the United States is expected to retain a slightly above-average (30-percent) market share in 1991/92, down from 33 percent in 1990/91.

## Stocks To Recover Somewhat

End-of-season stocks are forecast to rise, somewhat alleviating the tight world supply situation of the last 2 years. The foreign stocks-to-use ratio is projected to rise to 33 percent, compared with this season's 31 percent and the second lowest ever, 28.8 percent, in 1989/90.

## U.S. Wool Situation and Outlook

## Lower 1991 Mill Use Expected

Although first quarter raw wool mill consumption data are not available, mill use in 1991 is estimated at 120 million pounds, clean, nearly 6 percent below last year (table K). The current cyclical downturn in textile manufacturing activity is affecting raw wool mill consumption. This weakness will likely dampen mill use during the remainder of 1991.

| Year | Apparel wool | Carpet wosl | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1,000 lbs. |  |  |
| Jan.-Dec.: |  |  |  |
| 1984 | 128,982 | 13,088 | 142,070 |
| 1985 | 106,051 | 10,562 | 116,613 |
| 1987 | 129,677 | 13,092 | 142,769 |
| 1988 | 117,069 | 15,633 | 132,702 |
| 1989 | 112,998 | 14, 1278 | 127,120 |
| Jan.-Mar.: |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1984 \\ & 1985 \end{aligned}$ | 36,623 26,846 | 3,438 | 40,061 |
| 1986 | 32,465 | 2,583 | 35,048 |
| 1987 | 33, 809 | 2,828 | 36,629 |
| 1988 | 30,925 32,103 | 4,479 | 35,404 |
| 1998 | 29,948 | 3,779 | 35,727 |
| Apr.-June: |  |  |  |
| 1984 | 36,252 | 3,940 | 40.192 |
| 1985 | 27, 38.65 | 2,537 | 30,419 36,040 |
| 1987 | 34,175 | 3,333 | 37,508 |
| 1988 | 30,087 | 3,819 | 33,906 |
| 1989 | 29,991 | 3,979 | 33,970 |
| July-Sept.: |  |  |  |
| 1984 | 29,326 | 2,721 | 32,047 |
| 1985 | 25,025 30,106 | 2,887 | 27,912 |
| 1987 | 30,041 | 3,748 | 33,789 |
| 1988 | 27,427 | 4.414 | 31,841 |
| 1989 | 25,983 | 3,865 | 29,848 29,402 |
| Oct.-Dec.: |  |  |  |
| 1984 | 26,781 | 2,989 | 29,770 |
| 1985 | 26,298 | 2.138 | 28,436 |
| 1988 | 31, 680 | 3.183 | 32,843 |
| 1988 | 28,630 | 2,921 | 31,551 |
| 1989 | 24,921 | 2,984 | 27,905 |
| 1990 | 28,523 | 2,977 | 31,500 |
| 1/ Preliminary. |  |  |  |
| Source: | au of the | s. |  |


| Item | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 | 1990 | 1991 1/ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Million lbs. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Stocks, 1 51.6 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January 1 | 51.6 | 50.6 | 47.0 | 45.5 | 55.9 | 76.9 | 66 |
| Production | 47.1 | 45.3 | 45.3 | 48.0 | 47.8 | 47.0 | 50 |
| Imports | 79.5 | 97.0 | 105.1 | 96.7 | 106.9 | 71.7 | 70 |
| Total supply | 168.6 | 184.3 | 189.3 | 190.0 | 205.2 | 196.0 | 186 |
| Mill use | 116.6 | 136.7 | 142.8 | 132.7 | 127.1 | 127.6 | 120 |
| Exports | 118.4 | 137.8 | 14.8 | 13.2 | 12.2 | 13.7 | 2 |
| Total use | 118.0 | 137.5 | 143.8 | 133.9 | 128.3 | 130.3 | 122 |
| Stocks |  |  |  |  |  |  | 64 |
| 1/ Estimated | A. All | jection | rounde |  |  |  |  |

## Raw Wool Imports Rise, Exports Fall

In first-quarter 1991, U.S. imports of raw wool were 23.0 million pounds, clean, up 24 percent from the fourth quarter and 8 percent above a year earlier (table L). Raw wool imports of 48 's-and-finer grades were 18.4 million pounds, 20 percent above the previous quarter and 27 percent above a year earlier. About 95 percent were shipped from three countries: Australia, 87 percent; Uruguay, 5 percent, and New Zealand, 3 percent.


NA $=$ Not available.
1/ Formerly "Dutiable." 2/ Formerly "Duty-free."
3/ Raw wool, not carded or combed, but processed beyond the
degreased condition e.g. dyed. Grade is not identified,
Harmonized TSUSA 5101.21.6000, 5101.29.6000, and 5101.30.6000.

Unimproved and other grades not finer-than-46's totaled 4.6 million pounds, 39 percent above the fourth quarter, but 31 percent below a year earlier. Almost 96 percent of these wool grades came from three countries: New Zealand, 75 percent; the United Kingdom, 18 percent; and Argentina, 3 percent.

The share of raw wool imports of the grades not finer-than46's entering through the New England and Middle Atlantic customs districts exceeded the share of the grades finer-than48's (table M). In the first quarter, about 57 percent of the grades not finer-than-46's entered through the New England and Middle Atlantic regions, compared with 6 percent of the grades 48 ' s -and-finer. By contrast, the South Atlantic customs districts received 94 percent of the 48 's-and-finer grades, compared with 6 percent of the 46 ' s -and-coarser grades.

Raw wool exports in the first quarter totaled 523,000 pounds, clean, 54 percent of the previous quarter, but 21 percent more than the average of the previous 5 years. Overseas shipments of shorn wool amounted to 338,000 pounds. About 58 percent went to Japan and 27 percent to Germany. Exports of raw wool not shorn (pulled wool) were 185,000 pounds. About 65 percent went to the United Kingdom and 35 percent to Canada. U.S. raw wool exports are expected to reach 2 million pounds in 1991, 26 percent below the previous year.

First-quarter top exports were 3.7 million pounds, 11 percent less than the fourth quarter but 42 percent above the 1990 quarterly average. Seven countries were the destination for 91 percent of the first-quarter exports: China, 31 percent; Japan, 29 percent; Korea, 13 percent; Taiwan, 8 percent; and Canada and Venezuela, 5 percent each. First quarter 1991 shipments were valued at $\$ 9.9$ million, 21 percent below the fourth quarter but 22 percent above the 1990 -average value.

Table M--Raw wool imports by region, 1986-91 1/


| Month | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 | 1990 | $19912 /$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Cents/lb. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January | 58.4 | 59.2 | 52.2 | 58.7 | 84.8 | 109.0 | 65.8 | 38.2 |
| February | 67.1 | 58.7 | 54.4 | 69.1 | 109.0 | 131.0 | 70.6 | 42.1 |
| March | 79.3 | 61.0 | 61.9 | 78.7 | 140.0 | 133.0 | 83.4 | 47.9 |
| April | 87.9 | 67.9 | 70.0 | 99.7 | 153.0 | 135.0 | 92.6 | 58.4 |
| May | 86.5 |  | 73.7 | 106.0 | 166.0 | 136.0 | 99.5 |  |
| June | 86.6 | 69.8 | 75.5 | 108.0 | 161.0 | 134.0 | 93.4 |  |
| July | 82.3 | 64.0 | 67.5 | 83.1 | 134.0 | 112.0 | 80.4 |  |
| August | 78.5 | 50.2 | 65.9 57.6 | 83.1 93.6 | 113.0 | 115.0 | 74.4 |  |
| October | 80.2 | 66.6 | 69.7 | 95.5 | 123.0 | 147.0 | 83.5 |  |
| November | 67.5 | 58.5 | 64.0 | 84.9 | 119.0 | 102.0 | 58.0 |  |
| December | 69.4 | 56.8 | 59.4 | 81.4 | 116.0 | 94.0 | 48.2 |  |
| Average | 79.5 | 63.3 | 66.8 | 91.7 | 138.0 | 124.0 | 76.8 |  |

1/ Weighted-average market price. 2/ Preliminary and unweighted prices.
Source: Agricultural Prices, National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.

## Wool Prices Rebound

U.S. prices for clean, mill-delivered territory wool rose 1520 percent in May from the March low, reflecting a similar rise in world prices. By late May the 64 's averaged $\$ 2.30$, up 41 percent from March; the 62 's, $\$ 1.80$, up 33 percent; and the 60 's, $\$ 1.48$ up 37 percent.

By mid-May, domestic prices for Australian wool, clean basis, increased about 22 percent from the March low: the 80 's, at $\$ 5.81$, were up 21 percent; the 70 's, at $\$ 4.62$, up 30 percent; the 64 's, at $\$ 2.77$, up 39 percent; the 58 's, at $\$ 1.95$, and the 56 's, at $\$ 1.94$, up an average of 48 percent.

## U.S. Wool Production Up Marginally in 1991

Shorn wool production in the United States during 1990 was 88.3 million pounds, greasy, 1 percent less than in the previous year. Sheep and lambs shorn in 1990 were 11.2 million head, 0.7 percent below 1989. The average fleece weight of shorn wool was 7.86 pounds, 0.4 percent less than in 1989. The weighted-average price received by farmers for their shom wool was $\$ 0.80$, compared with $\$ 1.24$ in 1989. It was the lowest price since 1986 ( $\$ 0.668$ ). The value of the 1990 clip was $\$ 69.7$ million, down 37 percent from 1989.

The American Sheep Industry Association has estimated the 1991 domestic clip to be 91 million pounds, greasy. The distribution by grade is:

| 64's-and-finer (22 micron) | 26.9 | percent, |
| :--- | ---: | :--- |
| 60 's-62's $22-25$ micron) | 28.7 | percent, |
| 58,56 's $25-28$ micron) | 24.6 | percent, |
| 54 's-50's ( $28-31$ micron) | 15.4 | percent, |
| 48's-and-coarser ( 31 micron) | 4.3 | percent. |

Almost 84 percent of the 1991 clip is expected to be produced in Texas, California, Oregon, Iowa, Ohio, Minnesota, North and South Dakota, and the Rocky Mountain States (appendix table 21). Finer grade wool (mostly 60's-and-finer) production is concentrated in 10 States. Almost 90 percent of the 1991 finer grade wool clip is forecast in Texas, California, South Dakota, and the Rocky Mountain States. These same States are expected to account for more than 72 percent of the total 1991 clip. The medium-andcoarser grades are largely produced in these same States (excluding Texas), plus Iowa, Oregon, North Dakota, and Ohio. The 12 largest medium-and-coarser wool-producing States are expected to produce almost 71 percent of the total medium-and-coarser clip. At the same time these 12 States represent almost 52 percent of the total estimated 1991 clip.

## USDA Seeks Comments on 1991 Wool Price Support Program

The Department of Agriculture, in an announcement on May 10, 1991, asked for comments on calculating support prices for wool on unshorn lambs and for mohair for the 1991 marketing year.

The National Wool Act of 1954, as amended, provides that "the support price for pulled wool shall be set at a level relative to the support price for shorn wool so as to maintain normal marketing practices for pulled wool." Pulled wool is the wool removed from the pelt of a slaughtered sheep. In the past, this provision has been implemented through payments based on the hundredweight of live, unshorn lambs marketed.

The law also requires that "mohair be supported at a level determined necessary to maintain approximately the same percentage of parity as for shorn wool. The support price shall be set at a level not more than 15 percent above or below the comparable percentage of parity at which shorn wool is supported."

The shorn-wool support price is based on a formula prescribed in the Wool Act. Based on the current reported parity index, the 1991 shorn-wool support price will be $\$ 1.88$ per pound (greasy basis).

Comments may be made in writing to: Director, Commodity Analysis Division, USDA/ASCS, Room 3741-S, P.O. Box 2415, Washington, D.C. 20013. Comments must be received by June 13, 1991.

## Foreign Wool Situation and Outlook

## Wool Production Near Record Level

World sheep numbers were about 1.18 billion head at the beginning of the 1990/91 season, 1 percent above the previous season. Sizable flock increases in Australia and China were responsible for most of this increase. In Australia, favorable weather and profit returns stimulated the expansion. In China, the Government created incentives to increase domestic wool production and flock size in an effort to save foreign currency. Australian flock size in March 1990 was 174 million, 800,000 less than the 1970 record. Because of a much less favorable economic climate during the 1990/91 season, sheep numbers are forecast to be 168 million and to decline even further in 1991-92 to 150 million. Sheep in China numbered a record 115 million in 1990.

Unfavorable economic returns and a drought caused New Zealand sheep numbers to decline to a 12 -year low of 58.3 million head by June 1990, a decline of 4 percent from a year earlier. South African flocks, at 25.6 million in 1990, were down 1 percent from 1989 because of better returns from mutton sheep and angora goats.

World wool production in 1990/91 is expected to be the same as the previous season's recordbreaking 7.4 billion pounds, greasy ( 4.3 billion pounds, clean). This clip is almost 9 percent larger than the 5 -year average of 1983/841987/88. World wool supplies in 1990/91 reached a historic high, almost 5.5 billion pounds, clean, reflecting large levels of unsold stocks in the principal exporting countries. Merino wool had almost a 52 -percent share of this world wool availability, while crossbred wool had 25 percent and carpet wool had 23 percent.

Australian wool production in 1990/91 is expected to be 2.45 billion pounds, greasy, 2.3 billion shorn and 0.15 billion pulled. New Zealand's wool output is expected to be 0.67 billion pounds, greasy, a 13-year low. South African wool production is expected to be about 0.23 billion pounds, greasy.

Worldwide wool consumption, 3.3 billion pounds, clean, in 1990 declined 13.5 percent from 1989. This was the lowest wool demand in more than 10 years and resulted from several economic factors. A lack of hard currency prevented China, the Soviet Union, and East European countries from taking as much as they had 2 or 3 years earlier. Other factors were sluggish world economic activity, unfavorable exchange rates, the Persian Gulf crisis, and reluctance of textile mills to pay the high wool prices of the past 2-3 years.

## Spring Demand Boosts Prices

By late May the Australian wool market had rebounded by a third from its low of A428 cents per kilogram in late February. With no price support schemes, the Australian wool market (as measured by their market indicator, a weighted-average index of 13 wool categories) rose 38 percent above the first week's prices to A591 cents in late May (fig. 15). The percent of the offering purchased by the trade averaged about 95 percent. An important element of this relatively strong demand has been Chinese and Soviet purchases. In addition, wool mills worldwide began increasing

Figure 15
Australian Wool Corporation Stockpile and Market Indicator

their stocks after the price declined. Their buying tended to be at a minimum earlier in the season while prices were maintained at the A700 cents level. The raw wool supply this spring was limited, being restricted to the weekly offering. No sales were made from the Australian wool stockpile accumulated before the suspension of the support program in early February.

The Australian Government has decided to permanently abandon price supports for wool. No sales from the stockpile of about 4.7 million bales will be permitted before July 1, but few, if any, such sales are expected in the early part of the 1991/92 season. As part of the Government reorganization, the Australian Wool Corporation (AWC) will be replaced by three new statutory bodies. A Wool Realization Commission (WRC) will be responsible for managing the old AWC debt and stockpile. The debt (A $\$ 2.88$ billion), acquired from the price support program, is to be repaid over 7 years from the sale of the stockpile and other AWC assets. A new Australian Wool Corporation (AWC) will facilitate wool promotion, marketing, and quality control. The third organization is the Wool Research and Development Corporation (WRDC).

This reorganization will take effect July 1 and will focus on repayment of the AWC debt accumulated over 2 years of financing the price support program. The repayment will also include a 15 -percent tax (reduced from the current 25 percent) on woolgrowers' incomes.

Following the Australian action, the New Zealand Wool Board suspended its price support mechanism in February. After an initial decline of about 13 percent, the New Zealand market indicator improved over the March-May period. It averaged NZ365 cents in March, NZ433 cents in April, and NZ447 cents in May (fig. 16). Stronger demand resulted in the return of Chinese and Soviet buyers. Textile mills in other countries, in response to lower prices, were replenishing their stocks which had dropped to low levels. By late May the market indicator rose to NZ460 cents. A lower-than-expected auction offering caused the stockpile to decline 5 percent to about 600,000 bales.

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Figure 16
New Zealand Wool Board Stockpile and Market Indicator
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Figure 17
South African Wool Board Stockpile and Market Indicator


South Africa also experienced a rising wool market in the March-May period, rising from an average of SA955 cents in March, to SA998 cents in April, and reaching SA1228 cents in late May. At the same time the stockpile declined 44 percent, reaching 151,000 bales in late May (fig. 17).

## Mohair

## Mohair Export Values Rise

U.S. mohair exports in first-quarter 1991 were 2.6 million pounds, clean, 1 percent more than the previous quarter. The value of these shipments was $\$ 2.6$ million, averaging $\$ 1.01$ per pound. The average value of 1990 mohair exports was $\$ 1.20$ per pound. March 1991 exports reflected the recent rising world mohair demand. The average value of March exports was $\$ 1.05$ per pound compared with $\$ 0.98$ in February. More than 94 percent of first-quarter exports were shipped to 5 countries: the United Kingdom, 51 percent; India, 24 percent; France and Italy, 7 percent each; and Germany, 6 percent. Exports in 1991 are expected to be 12 million pounds, clean, 3 percent more than last year (table O ).

Mohair top exports are included in the Harmonized Schedule B category, "Fine animal hair, carded or combed." During the first quarter of 1991 , about 634,000 pounds were exported, 31 percent above the 1990 average. The total value of the 1991 exports was $\$ 1.3$ million, averaging $\$ 2.03$ per pound. The average 1990 value was $\$ 2.50$. The 1991 exports went to 2 countries: India, 77 percent; and Taiwan, 23 percent.

## Slight Increase in 1991 Production Expected

U.S. mohair production in 1991 is forecast at 16.7 million pounds, greasy, up slightly from last season. U.S. production of mohair in 1990 totaled 16.3 million pounds, greasy, 5.6 percent less than 1989. This production was in five States: Texas, 89 percent; Oklahoma and New Mexico, 4 percent each; Arizona, 2 percent; and Michigan, less than 1

| Item | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 | 1990 | 1991 1/ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Million lbs. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Stocks |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Production | 10,990 | 13,510 | 13,990 | 13,170 | 13, 110 | 12,400 | 12,700 |
| Imports |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Diffe ${ }_{\text {Total }}$ supacc | -10,035 | 16,263 | 15,890 | 15,982 | 14,834 | 14,200 | 14,500 |
| Mill use | 700 | 100 | 100 | 200 | 800 | 800 | 800 |
| Exports | 8,991 |  | 14,012 | 14,378 |  |  | 12,000 |
| Total use | 9,691 | 14,722 | 14,112 | 14,578 | 12,950 | 12,400 | 12,800 |
| Stocks Dec. 31 | 1,304 | 1,541 | 1,778 | 1,404 | 1,884 | 1,800 | 1,700 |
| 1/ Estimated | USDA. | -jecti | e roun |  |  |  |  |

percent. The weighted-average price per pound was $\$ 0.93$, 41 percent below 1989. The number of angora goats clipped was 2.2 million, 12 percent below 1989. The distribution by State was: Texas, 86 percent; New Mexico, 6 percent; Arizona and Oklahoma, 4 percent each; and Michigan, less than 1 percent.

## Stable U.S. Consumption and Stocks

U.S. mill consumption of mohair in 1991 is expected to remain near that of the last 2 seasons, about 800,000 pounds. Ending stocks are estimated at 1.8 million pounds as larger exports are expected to offset slightly higher production this season. Strong world demand for adult hair has resulted in increased U.S. mohair prices. U.S. prices in early May reflect the adult hair demand: adult, $\$ 1.65$, up from $\$ 0.65$ last winter; young goat, $\$ 1.95$, up from $\$ 1.00$; and kid, $\$ 2.50$, down from $\$ 3.00$. Kid hair prices are down because of the depressed world demand for finer suiting fabric.

## World Consumption To Remain Strong

World consumption of mohair is estimated at 41 million pounds and production at about $36-37$ million pounds, with the difference to be taken from stocks. South African production for the summer season just concluded was 8.6 million pounds. About 8.3 million pounds is expected from the current winter season. South African stocks are about 13.9 million pounds, one-third below last winter. The stocks are entirely kid and young goat hair because of currently strong world hand-knitting demand for adult hair.

In South Africa, the cumulative clearance of the first seven mohair sales of the summer (February-April) was 53 percent, the highest since the 1989 summer season's (March-July) 55 percent.

## Manmade Fibers

The manmade fiber business languished in the first quarter of 1991. Production, less than 2.1 billion pounds, was down 5 percent from 1990's fourth quarter. Total shipments, almost 2.0 billion pounds, were also 5 percent below the previous quarter. Mill consumption, 2.0 billion pounds, was 9 percent less. Stocks at fiber producers' plants were up 11 percent.

These plants operated at an average of 78 percent of capacity, compared with 83 percent in the fourth quarter. Staple plant capacity averaged 80 percent, while filament plants were at 77 percent (appendix table 17). To obtain a reasonable rate of return, producers must operate at $85-90$ percent of capacity.

The carpet industry continues to consume more fiber than any other market (appendix table 27). In the fourth quarter of 1990 , it represented 35 percent of all domestic shipments. About 719 million pounds were used, 2 percent less than in the third quarter. Nylon fibers, at 460 million pounds, constituted 64 percent of the carpet market. Olefin fibers, at 221

Figure 18
Benzene Price Levels
Track Petroleum Prices


* W. Texas intermediate crude (Cushing).

$N A=$ Not available.
1/ Cents per pound. 2/ Dollars per gallon.
Source: Chemical Marketing Reporter.
million pounds, made up almost 31 percent. Preliminary data for the first quarter of 1991 indicate that 347 million pounds were used, 25 percent less than in the fourth quarter. It was the smallest quantity in more than 6 years and probably reflects the sluggish state of residential and commercial construction activity.

Woven textile products remain the second largest market for manmade fibers, taking 25 percent of all domestic shipments. About 483 million pounds of nonrayon fiber were used in the fourth quarter, down 2.5 percent from the third. This decline occurred in polyester filament, which is used mostly in top and bottom apparel, and in olefin filament, which is used mostly in upholstery and draperies. Polyester filament use, 104 million pounds, declined 5.5 percent and olefin filament declined almost 6 percent. In contrast, polyester staple use was 177 million pounds, up almost 3 percent, reflecting strong cotton use.

The knit market took about 301 million pounds of manmade fibers in the fourth quarter, down slightly less than 2 percent from the previous quarter. Knit textiles constitute about 15 percent of manmade fiber domestic shipments. Three fibers dominate this market: polyester fibers, at 186 million pounds, made up 62 percent; nylon, at 61 million pounds, was 20 percent; and acrylic fibers, at 51 million pounds, was 17 percent.

Prices of the major raw materials used to make manmade fibers are influenced by the price of oil. Benzene, a precursor for many chemicals, is very sensitive to oil prices as well as to the market demand of its numerous derivatives. Since the resolution of the Gulf crisis, the prices of both oil and benzene have leveled off to about half of last fall's peak. The average spot price of oil from February to mid-May has been within the $\$ 20-22 / \mathrm{bbl}$. range (table P ). Benzene's price has been in the $\$ 1.10-\$ 1.15 / \mathrm{gal}$. range (fig. 18 ).

Para-xylene's price dropped about 4 cents since February to $\$ 0.205 / \mathrm{lb}$. in mid-May because of excess supply and slow polyester fiber and botle demand. The price of cyclohexane, a basic chemical used in nylon production, is tied to the price of benzene and averaged about $\$ 1.17$ $\$ 1.22 / \mathrm{gal}$. in March-May. Caprolactam, a raw material for nylon is listed at $\$ 0.89$ per pound but is reported to be discounted as much as 25 percent.

Propylene, a precursor for acrylonitrile (a raw material for acrylic fibers) and for olefin fibers, declined to $\$ 0.195 / \mathrm{lb}$. The price of acrylonitrile was listed at $\$ 0.385 / \mathrm{hb}$. but was reported to be discounted because of the depressed demand for its fiber and plastics derivatives. The price of ethylene glycol (a raw material used to make polyester fibers) has declined from $\$ 0.30-\$ 0.33 / \mathrm{lb}$. to $\$ 0.26$ because of excess supply and slow demand.

# Economic Implications of Planting Flexibility Provisions for U.S. Upland Cotton Farms 

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#### Abstract

The Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 provides farmers enrolled in Government commodity programs more flexibility in planting decisions than in the past. This analysis examines the feasibility of planting flexibility provisions as they pertain to upland cotton farms. Based on 1988 program enrollment data, farms with upland cotton base acreage are organized to take advantage of market opportunities through the new flexibility rules.


Keywords: Upland cotton, normal flex acreage, optional flex acreage, crop acreage base.

## Introduction

The Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 (FACT), P.L. 101-624, as amended by the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1990 (P.L. 101-508), will govern farm program provisions for 5 crop years, 1991 through 1995. For upland cotton, these acts continue the market-oriented programs authorized by the Food Security Act of 1985. However, the 1990 bill provides cotton farmers who participate in commodity programs more flexibility in their planting decisions. Under these provisions, producers will have the option to plant crops, other than the program crop, on up to 25 percent of each individual crop acreage base (CAB).

## Planting Flexibillty

Flexible, or "flex" acreage consists of two parts. (1) The first 15 percent of base acreage for each program crop becomes "triple base" nonpayment acres, which USDA refers to as Normal Flex Acres (NFA). Any program crop (including the original crop on which the acreage base is established) or oilseeds may be planted on NFA. Price support loans are available on the entire production of program crops grown on normal flex acres, but producers will not receive deficiency payments on this acreage.

Program crops applicable to planting flexibility provisions include wheat, corm, grain sorghum, barley, oats, rice, and upland cotton. In addition to these program crops, farmers may plant nonprogram crops on their 15 percent "triple base" acres. Industrial crops such as sweet sorghum, guar, sesame, castor beans, crambe, plantago ovato, triticale, rye, or mung beans may be planted on flex acres. Also, experimental crops, including kenaf and milkweed and crops that have no substantial domestic production or market
(such as adzuki beans, lupin beans, and faba beans), are authorized for planting. Fruits and vegetables may be planted on flexible acreage if used for green manure, haying, or grazing. However, peanuts, tobacco, wild rice, and trees and nuts are ineligible for planting on flexible acreage. For 1991 only, producers may plant peas and lentils on flex acreage up to a maximum of 20 percent of a CAB .
(2) The second part of the planting flexibility provisions, Optional Flex Acres (OFA), allows an additional 10 percent of a CAB to be "flexed" to the alternative crops authorized under NFA. If these optional base acres are planted to their original base crop, a producer would qualify for both deficiency payments and price support loans on this production. This is not considered choosing the OFA provision.

If however, alternative program crops or oilseeds are planted on the 10 percent OFA, then price support loans are available, but deficiency payments are forfeited on the original base crop. As with NFA, if nonprogram crops are planted on the OFA, a producer would not be eligible for deficiency payments on this acreage. In addition, soybeans may not be planted on the OFA if the average price of soybeans is projected to be less than 105 percent of the soybean loan rate.

Individual crop acreage bases would neither increase nor decrease if alternative crops were planted on NFA or OFA. A producer will not be eligible for deficiency payments on NFA regardless of what crop is planted. The "triple base" nonpayment-acres feature of FACT is the major provision aimed at reducing Government expenditures to program crop producers. In retum for lower support payments, producers who participate in commodity programs may plant crops with the greatest market potential.

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## Planting Flexlbility Provisions

The new flexibility provisions allow a producer to expand production of a program crop beyond the established baseby planting the base crop on the NFA and OFA of another program crop-and still receive price support loans (but not deficiency payments) on the additional acres. For example, a farm with an upland cotton, wheat, and feed grains base could remain within the planting requirements for each program crop base while electing to plant cotton on the NFA and OFA of the wheat and feed grains base. The following examples may help clarify some of the alternatives.

Suppose a farm has established bases for: upland cotton, 500 acres; wheat, 300 acres; sorghum, 200 acres; and historical plantings of soybeans of 100 acres. If crop bases are enrolled in the 1991 acreage reduction programs, then permitted plantings would total 475 acres of cotton, 255 acres of wheat and 185 acres of sorghum. The producer would be eligible for deficiency payments on 765 acres if all permitted acreage was planted.

Example 1 illustrates increasing cotton acreage by utilizing both the NFA and OFA of the farm's wheat and sorghum bases. A producer could increase cotton plantings from 475 to 600 acres. However, acreage that would be eligible for deficiency payments would decline to 715 acres. The acreage shifted through the OFA option would not be eligible for payments.

Example 2 illustrates increasing cotton acreage by using only the NFA option for the wheat and sorghum bases. An additional 75 acres of cotton could be produced without the loss of program benefits. Maximum payment acreage would remain at 765 acres, the same as if the original crops had been planted to their respective bases.

The third example depicts a strategy designed to maximize soybean acreage. An additional 250 acres of soybeans could be planted by utilizing the NFA and OFA of the program crop bases. However, acreage eligible for deficiency payments would decline to 665 acres.

Example 1--Maximize cotton acreage and remain eligible for program benefits

|  | Acreage shift |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | --- | from | Planted acres | Payment acres |
| Flex crops |  |  |  |  |
| Cotton | 125 |  | 600 | 400 |
| Wheat | 0 | 75 | 180 | 180 |
| Sorghum | 0 | 50 | 135 | 135 |
| Soybeans | 0 | 0 | 100 | 0 |
| Total |  |  | 1,015 | 715 |

Example 2--Maximize cotton acreage and payment acreage

|  | Acreage shift |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | to | from | Planted acres | Payment acres |
| Flex crops |  |  |  |  |
| Cotton | 75 | 0 | 550 | 400 |
| Wheat | 0 | 45 | 210 | 210 |
| Sorghum | 0 | 30 | 155 | 155 |
| Soybeans | 0 | 0 | 100 | 0 |
| Total |  |  | 1,015 | 765 |

Example 3--Maximize soybean acreage

|  | Acreage shift |  | Planted acres | Payment acres |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | to | from |  |  |
| Flex crops |  |  |  |  |
| Cotton | 0 | 125 | 350 | 350 |
| Wheat | 0 | 75 | 180 | 180 |
| Sorghum | 0 | 50 | 135 | 135 |
| Soybeans | 250 | 0 | 350 | 0 |
| Total |  |  | 1,015 | 665 |

Farms with multiple crop bases can more effectively react to changing market conditions than single base farms. If the farm used in the above examples had the same total base of 1,000 acres established in only upland cotton, then cotton acreage could not be expanded above permitted plantings and the combined wheat and feed grain plantings would be limited to a maximum of 250 acres. Clearly, multiple crop bases provide more options under the planting flexibility provisions of FACT.

Assumptions for planting flexibility examples

|  | Cotton | Wheat | Sorghum | Soybeans | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Base (acres) | 500 | 300 | 200 | 100 | 1,100 |
| ARP 1/ (\%) | 5 | 15 | 7.5 | 0 | , -- |
| NFA (\%) | 15 | 15 | 15 | 0 | -- |
| OFA (\%) | 10 | 10 | 10 | 0 | -- |
| Total flexibility (\%) | 25 | 25 | 25 | 0 | -- |
| Base (acres) | 500 | 300 | 200 | 100 | 1,100 |
| ARP (acres) | 25 | 45 | 15 | 0 | 85 |
| Permitted acres | 475 | 255 | 185 | 0 | 915 |
| Maximum payment acres | 400 | 210 | 155 | 0 | 765 |
| Total flex acres | 125 | 75 | 50 | 0 | 250 |
| NFA | 75 | 45 | 30 | 0 | 150 |
| OFA | 50 | 30 | 20 | 0 | 100 |

With increased pressure on reducing Government expenditures for farm programs and the enactment of the "triple base" nonpayment- acreage concept, producers will have to depend more on commodity markets and less on Government payments to assure viable farming operations. The goal of this analysis is to examine how U.S. upland cotton farms are organized and to determine if producers will benefit from the flexibility provisions contained in FACT.

Data for this analysis are based on unpublished data taken from the 1988 Compliance Report of the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service, USDA. Data are reported for all farms with an upland cotton base and are aggregated by State levels. For the 16 States included, farms with an upland cotton base and any other program crop base were analyzed. State acreages were combined into the four Cotton Belt regions.

In addition, data were analyzed using various base acreage combinations. Four variations were considered to examine the flexibility provisions. The four combinations selected were farms with only upland cotton base, upland base and one other program crop base, upland base and two other crop bases, and upland base and three or more other bases. These State acreages were combined into the Cotton Belt regions.

## Upland Cotton Farms

In 1988, the U.S. upland cotton base totaled nearly 14.5 million acres. Upland bases were established on 74,104 farms in cotton-producing States (table A-1). The Southwest region accounted for 51 percent of the base and 47 percent of the farms producing upland cotton. Upland cotton farms in the Delta States had established bases of 3.7 million acres. Beltwide, farms averaged 212 acres of upland cotton base ranging from 91 acres in the Southeast to 428 acres in the Western States.

Farming operations with upland cotton base also have significant other program crop bases. These farms have almost 6.1 million acres of wheat base and nearly 5.7 million acres of feed grains base. Upland cotton farms also account for 755,000 acres of rice base and 100,000 acres of extra-long staple (ELS) cotton base. In addition to program crops, over 4.2 million acres of soybeans were produced on these farms.

The relative shares of other program crop bases and soybean acreage associated with farms with upland cotton base are presented in table A-2. Upland cotton farms accounted for 24 percent of the wheat base in the Cotton Belt States.
Similarly, these farms were associated with 18 percent of the

Table A-1--Program-crop acreage bases and soybean acreage accounted for by farms with upland cotton base 1/

| Number of farms | Upland base | Wheat base | Sorghum base | Corn base | Rice base | Barley base | Oat base | ELS base |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |


| Southeast: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Alabama | 3,945 | 465 | 145 | 34 | 89 | -- | -- | 4 | -- | 128 |
| Florida | 458 | 32 | 22 | 3 | 18 | -- | -- | 4 | -- | 19 |
| Georgia | 3,835 | 353 | 315 | 34 | 268 | -- | 5 | 20 | -- | 198 |
| North Carolina | 2,049 | 125 | 70 | 5 | 165 | -- | 4 | 2 | -- | 119 |
| South Carolina | 2,113 | 164 | 159 | 5 | 159 | -- | 3 | 10 | -- | 194 |
| Virginia | 67 | 2 | 2 | -- | 3 | -- | -. | -- | -- | 2 |
| Total | 12,467 | 1,140 | 712 | 81 | 701 | -- | 12 | 40 | -- | 660 |
| Delta: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Arkansas | 5,978 | 718 | 507 | 187 | 24 | 354 | -- | 4 | -- | 1,004 |
| Louisiana | 2,252 | 841 | 146 | 131 | 45 | 101 | -- | 5 | -- | 653 |
| Mississippi | 5,228 | 1,433 | 422 | 186 | 55 | 239 | -. | 3 | -- | 1,203 |
| Missouri | 3,452 | 249 | 183 | 132 | 51 | 9 | -- | -. | -- | 271 |
| Tennessee | 4,689 | 472 | 181 | 74 | 90 | -- | -- | -- | -- | 346 |
| Total | 21,599 | 3,713 | 1,439 | 711 | 264 | 704 | -- | 12 | -- | 3,476 |
| Southwest: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Oklahoma | 7,978 | 600 | 1,198 | 50 | 6 | - | 2 | 21 | $\cdots$ | 5 |
| Texas | 26,852 | 6,792 | 2,029 | 2,224 | 822 | 33 | 28 | 89 | 23 | 71 |
| Total | 34,830 | 7,392 | 3,227 | 2,274 | 828 | 34 | 30 | 110 | 23 | 76 |
| West: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Arizona | 1,294 | 546 | 170 | 24 | 26 | -- | 45 | 5 | 66 | - |
| California | 3,290 | 1.563 | 480 | 22 | 145 | 17 | 214 | 7 | -- | $\cdots$ |
| New Mexico | 624 | 120 | 71 | 59 | 28 | -- | 13 | 4 | 11 | 1 |
| rotal | 5,208 | 2,229 | 721 | 105 | 198 | 17 | 272 | 17 | 77 | 1 |
| Cotton Belt | 74,104 | 14,474 | 6,099 | 3,171 | 1,991 | 755 | 314 | 179 | 100 | 4,213 |
| 1/ Based on 1988 | pliance | rt, Agr | tural | lization | d Cons | on S | USDA |  |  |  |

Table A-2--Share of regional program-crop bases and soybean acreage accounted for by farms with upland cotton base

| Base $^{1 /}$ | Southeast ${ }^{2 /}$ | Delta ${ }^{3 /}$ | Southwest ${ }^{4 /}$ | West ${ }^{5 /}$ | Cotton Belt |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | - | ------ | -percent- |  | -- |
| Wheat | 22 | 24 | 23 | 38 | 24 |
| Corn | 14 | 7 | 43 | 35 | 18 |
| Sorghum | 18 | 27 | 43 | 29 | 36 |
| Barley | 6 | 1 | 28 | 43 | 32 |
| Oats | 15 | 9 | 18 | 23 | 16 |
| ELS | -- | -- | 88 | 97 | 95 |
| Rice | 1 | 24 | 6 | 3 | 18 |
| Soybean acreage | 15 | 26 | 14 | -- | 23 |

1/ Based on 1988 Compliance Report, Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service, USDA. 2/ Alabama, Florida, Georgia, North Carolina, South Carolina and Virginia. 3/ Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, and Tennessee. 4/ Texas and Oklahoma. 5/ Arizona, California and New Mexico.
corn base and 36 percent of the sorghum base in the cottonproducing States. Upland farms have nearly all the established ELS cotton base. In addition, 23 percent of the soybean acreage planted in the Cotton Belt is associated with upland cotton farms.

## Program Crop Acreage Bases

Farms with upland cotton base have established additional program crop bases of 12.6 million acres. However, ELS cotton is not subject to "triple base" nonpayment acres and is not considered a "flex" crop. Therefore, total potential flex acreage for upland cotton farms would equal 25 percent of
the 12.5 million acres of other-program-crop bases, plus 25 percent of the 14.5 million acres of upland cotton base, or a total of 6.7 million acres.

Although significant program-crop bases are part of many upland cotton farms, the number of bases, as well as the size of the bases associated with a farming operation, are important factors in utilizing the flexibility provisions. Upland cotton farms were categorized into single-crop base operations and operations with two, three, and four (or more) programcrop bases. Upland cotton base and other-crop base acreage associated with these combinations are presented in table A3.

Table A-3--Regional program-crop base acreage by various farming operations 1/

|  | Southeast ${ }^{\text {2/ }}$ | Delta ${ }^{3 /}$ | Southwest ${ }^{4 /}$ | West ${ }^{5 /}$ | Cotton Belt |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Upland only: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Base acres | 155 | 790 | 775 | 106 | 1,825 |
| Percent of region | 14 | 21 | 10 | 5 | -- |
| Percent of U.S. | 1 | 5 | 5 | 1 | 13 |
| Upland plus one other base: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Upland base acres | 261 | 994 | 3,060 | 337 | 4,656 |
| Percent of region | 23 | 27 | 41 | 15 | -- |
| Percent of U.S. | 2 | 7 | 21 | 2 | 32 |
| Other base acres 6/ | 136 | 397 | 2,098 | 168 | 2,799 |
| Upland plus two other bases: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Upland base acres | 353 | 1,046 | 2,664 | 608 | 4,682 |
| Percent of region | 31 | 28 | 36 | 27 | -- |
| Percent of U.S. | 2 | 7 | 18 | 4 | 32 |
| Other base acres 6/ | 477 | 1,127 | 2,592 | 369 | 4,565 |
| Upland plus three or more bases: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Upland base acres | 371 | 883 | 893 | 1,178 | 3,311 |
| Percent of region | 33 | 24 | 12 | 53 | -- |
| Percent of U.S. | 3 | 6 | 6 | 8 | 23 |
| Other base acres 6/ | 934 | 1,606 | 1,817 | 792 | 5,149 |
| Total upland base acres | 1,140 | 3,713 | 7,392 | 2,229 | 14,474 |
| Total other base acres $6 /$ | 1,547 | 3,130 | 6,507 | 1,329 | 12,513 |

1/ Base acreage reported in thousands and based on 1988 Compliance Report, Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service, USDA. 2/ Alabama, Florida, Georgia, North Carolina, South Carolina and Virginia. 3/ Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, and Tennessee. 4/ Texas and Oklahoma. 5/ Arizona, California and New Mexico. 6/ Excludes ELS base acreage.

Only 13 percent ( 1.8 million acres) of U.S. upland cotton base is classified as single-program-crop base operations. Therefore, operations having additional program-crop bases account for the remaining 12.6 million acres of upland cotton base. Farms with upland only operations have the largest acreage base in the Delta States with slightly over one-fifth of that region's cotton base. For these single base farms, upland cotton acreage could only be expanded by producing outside the cotton program.

Farms representing 64 percent of the U.S. upland cotton base are either two- or three-base operations. Southwestern farms with two bases account for 41 percent of the region's upland cotton base and 32 percent of other-program-crop base. Two-base farms in the Southeast and Delta States account for 23 and 27 percent, respectively, of the region's upland base, but less than 13 percent of other-program-crop bases.

Farms with four or more program-crop bases account for nearly one-fourth of the U.S. upland cotton base. By region, these farms account for over 50 percent of other-programcrop bases, except in the Southwest. Farms in the Western region with four or more bases account for 53 percent of the upland cotton base.

Farms representing 55 percent of the U.S. upland cotion base have established three (or more) program-crop bases. These farms also account for 78 percent of the 12.5 million acres of other-program-crop bases. As a result, many upland cotton farms with a total of 17.7 million acres of program-crop base appear to be well organized to take advantage of the new flexibility provisions of the 1990 Farm Act.

## Flex Acreage Estimates

Cotton farms have the potential to "flex" 3.6 million acres of upland base and 3.1 million of other-program-crop base to alternative crops if all bases are enrolled in commodity programs. Figures A-1-4 depict futures prices for 1991 and the previous season for upland cotton, wheat, corn, and soybeans. Monthly trading ranges and monthly market


Figure A-2
July HRW Wheat Futures


closes indicate new crop prices were lower than last season for wheat, com, and soybeans. While producers were evaluating their cropping alternatives and deciding whether to participate in farm programs, the price outlook for cotton appeared more favorable than for other program crops.

The 1991 preliminary enrollment report suggests 475,200 acres have been "flexed" to upland cotton, or about 21 percent of the potential acreage given the regional enrollmentparticipation rates for all eligible program crops (table A-4). However, nearly 274,000 acres of upland cotton base have been planted to alternative crops. The majority of this acreage was shifted to nonprogram crop production.

On a regional basis, only the Western States chose to "flex" more acreage out of upland production ( 58,900 acres) than into upland production (14,200 acres). Reduced water availability may account for much of this decline in cotton acreage (fig. A-5). Overall, 201,500 acres were shifted to upland cotton production through the NFA and OFA provisions. In addition, upland cotton is the only program crop associated with increased acreage through the


Table A-4--Regional 1991 upland cotton flexed acreage 1/

|  | Southea | Delta ${ }^{3 /}$ | Southwe | West ${ }^{5 /}$ | Cotton B |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1,000 acres |  |  |  |  |
| Flexed from upland: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Potential 6/ | 219.5 | 779.7 | 1,644.7 | 373.4 | 3,017.3 |
| To program crops | 3.0 | 7.4 | 33.4 | 13.5 | 57.3 |
| Total 7/ | 29.0 | 65.9 | 119.9 | 58.9 | 273.7 |
| Flexed to upland: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Potential 6/ | 211.2 | 540.6 | 1,311.0 | 207.1 | 2,269.9 |
| Reported | 67.9 | 152.7 | 240.4 | 14.2 | 475.2 |
| Net flexed acreage | 39.0 | 86.8 | 120.5 | -44.7 | 201.5 |

1/ Based on USDA's 1991 preliminary enrollment report. 2/ Alabama, florida, Georgia, North Carolina, South Carolina and Virginia. 3/ Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, and Tennessee. 4/ Texas and Oklahoma. 5/ Arizona, California and New Mexico. 6/ Equals the sum of the 1988 Compliance Report regional bases multiplied by 25 percent maximum flexibility and the 1991 preliminary regional enrollment par icipation for all eligible program crops. 7/ Includes flexed acreage to soybei 1 s , minor oilseeds, and other crops.
flexibility provisions. Estimated acreage reductions for other program crops subject to the NFA and OFA provisions total 5.6 million acres.

## Summary and Conclusions

During the development of the 1990 Farm Act, increased planting flexibility for farmers was a highly debated issue. Midwestern interest groups representing com and soybean producers supported almost unlimited flexibility rules while the Southem Cotton Belt and Great Plains States argued for a more restrictive position on planting flexibility. The new planting provisions which limit "flex" acreage to 25 percent of an individual CAB appear to be an equitable compromise. About 5.5 million acres, or only 3 percent, of the enrolled program-crop base in 1991 has been "flexed" to alternative crops.

While 13 percent of the upland cotton base is associated with single-crop-base operations, where the planting flexibility alternatives would be more restricted, other program provisions allow these single-crop-base farms some alternatives, including the zero certification provisions and the prohibition of cross compliance. Most upland cotton farms, however, have more than a single base. Cotton farms accounting for 55 percent ( 8.0 million acres) of the upland cotton base have established three (or more) program-crop bases, totaling 17.7 -million base acres.

In this study, planting flexibility was analyzed as a viable option for upland cotton farmers. As intended in the 1990 farm legislation, the new flexibility provisions will allow producers to react more effectively to market opportunities. As this analysis verifies, the majority of U.S. upland cotton farms are organized to take advantage of planting flexibility.

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# Marketing Foreign Raw Cotton to U.S. Mills-Prospects and Costs 

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#### Abstract

Prospects for U.S. raw cotton imports are analyzed. Data are presented showing exportable cotton supplies in foreign producing countries, and the associated delivery costs to U.S. textile mills. Results indicate significant volumes of foreign cotton available, but estimated shipping costs ranged from 7.6 to almost 16 cents per pound for the 12 countries analyzed.


Keywords: Cotton, imports, marketing costs, trade.

## Introduction

The purpose of this article is to present information which may be helpful in evaluating the prospects for U.S. raw cotton imports in the event of a permanent or temporary lifting of U.S. import quotas. Data is developed on the availability of foreign cotton supplies as well as the transportation and marketing costs associated with delivery to U.S. textile mills.

Limits on the volume of raw cotton imports have been in effect since 1939. Essentially they require U.S. textile mills to rely on domestic cotton producers as their primary source of supply. Many foreign competitors, however, are able to shop the world cotton market for cheaper alternative supplies.

The 1939 import quota was authorized under the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1933, and is incorporated under Section 22 of the General Tariff Codes of the United States. This permanent legislation allows for annual imports of only 125,000 bales of cotton. Of this total, 30,000 bales are specified by country for all staple lengths $1-1 / 8$ inch or less, while the remaining 95,000 bales represent a global quota covering all cotton with staple length above $1-1 / 8$ inch. Of the 95,000 bales, 82,500 are for extra-long staple cotton.

The regular annual quota has not been filled in recent years, and since 1978 , cotton imports have never exceeded 40,000 bales, less than one-third of the amount allowed. Import levels have shown no particular pattern, but have tended to increase only slightly when U.S. cotton prices have risen sharply above prices for comparable foreign cotton.

A special limited global quota was put into effect beginning with the 1978 crop year. It allows for U.S. imports of up to

21 days of mill consumption during a 90 -day period, if the quota is triggered. The level of domestic market prices determine whether or not the special quota will be opened. The quota is triggered if the U.S. spot market average price for SLM-1-1/16-inch cotton in any one month exceeds 130 percent of the previous 36 -month average. The volume of raw cotton allowed would be approximately 600,000 to 675,000 bales, regardless of country of origin or staple length. (Extralong staple cotton is excluded.)

The performance of the special limited quota program since 1978 is shown in fig. B-1. The top line represents the import trigger price which is 130 percent of the 36 -month moving average spot price. Whenever the current monthly spot price moves above the trigger price, the special 90 -day quota is triggered.

The special quota has been triggered three times-twice in 1980, and once in 1987. On a number of other occasions, monthly spot prices rose almost high enough to trigger the special quota-during 1989, and again very close in July 1990, and also in March and April and May of 1991.

As with the regular annual quota, only a small increase in import volume was noted when the special quota was triggered. In most cases, when U.S. prices climbed high enough to trigger the quota program, foreign prices were also generally high. When transportation costs are added to the price of foreign cotton, most growths could not effectively compete with U.S. produced cotton.

While the volume of U.S. raw cotton imports have been traditionally low, beginning August 1, 1991, new provisions of the 1990 Farm Act will authorize imports of raw cotton

[^2]Figure B-1
U.S. Cotton Import Trigger Level and Spot Market Averages

under certain new criteria. A new special global quota equal to one week's mill consumption (about 145-160,000 bales) over a 90 -day period can be triggered on the basis of the relationship of U.S. cotton prices to world market prices.

If the lowest weekly (Friday through Thursday) average U.S. price for M-1-3/32-inch cotton (delivered Northern Europe) exceeds the average of the five lowest priced foreign growths by more than 1.25 cents per pound for any consecutive 10 -week period, the quota is triggered. U.S. prices must first be adjusted for the value of any marketing certificates in effect at that time. Also, before imports can be authorized, other specified competitive adjustments in U.S. cotton prices could be made under the marketing loan provisions of the 1990 Farm Act. Nevertheless, these import quota programs, and other "free trade" activities all point to an increasing availability of foreign grown cotton to U.S. mills.

## Foreign Supplies

While world cotton stocks are currently at their lowest level in many years, global supplies are large enough to meet anticipated domestic and export requirements. For the U.S., 1990/91 ending stocks of cotton are projected at 2.3 million bales-the smallest total in over 60 years. The potentially large 1991 crop is expected to help relieve the tight supply situation, but early planting problems in some areas continue to cause concern. This has put pressure on U.S. prices domestically and in the world export market. Potential sources of foreign raw cotton supplies for U.S. mills are shown in table B-1. Other producing countries could be identified, but, for the 12 countries shown, significant supplies were available, and a long history of export activity was present.

The estimated exportable cotton supplies for each country during the past 5 years were calculated as the difference between total supply and current domestic mill consumption. No allowance was made for adequate carryover stocks between seasons, therefore the volumes shown are the maximum available. Usually about 3 to 4 month's domestic consumption is considered a minimum carryover level.

The largest exportable cotton supplies are located in producing countries identified as Asia/Oceania. Since 1986, volumes available in Australia have tended to increase, while supplies in the USSR and Turkey have remained stable. In China, India, and Pakistan, exportable supplies have declined as these countries are placing greater emphasis on the export of cotton textiles.

Raw-cotton exporting countries in South America may offer greater potential as a future source of supply. Expanding agricultural development and closer proximity to the U.S. market may enable these countries to expand their cotton export potential.

Other fundamental considerations, in addition to exportable supply, are necessary before U.S. mills would import substantial volumes of foreign-grown cotton. These include identifying and establishing effective overseas contacts and the availability of large volumes of the desired qualities of cotton. A primary consideration would also be the problems associated with variations in bale weights and dimensions among countries. Many U.S. mills with automated bale opening and feeding equipment require bales of uniform size. For example the average bale in India or Pakistan has a

| Country | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 | 1990 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1,000 bales |  |  |  |  |
| South America: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Argentina | 235 | 958 | 1,002 | 1,250 | 1,486 |
| Brazil | 3,244 | 3,272 | 3,080 | 2,434 | 2,274 |
| Mexico | 377 | 577 | 917 | 499 | 464 |
| Paraguay | 489 | 907 | 966 | 1,085 | 1,378 |
| Asia/Oceania: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Australia | 1,581 | 1,567 | 1,843 | 1,952 | 2,418 |
| China | 14,041 | 10,458 | 8,736 | 3,745 | 3,882 |
| India | 2,506 | 999 | 1,548 | 3,457 | 3,186 |
| Pakistan | 3,966 | 4,320 | 4,781 | 2,090 | 1,995 |
| Turkey | 1,013 | 674 | 896 | 774 | 949 |
| USSR | 5,433 | 4,395 | 4,778 | 5,323 | 5,343 |
| Africa: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Egypt | 626 | 500 | 362 | 562 | 506 |
| Sudan | 1,691 | 1,449 | 1,249 | 919 | 519 |
| 1/ For each country and year, exportable supply = total supply (beginning stocks + production + imports) - domestic mill use. Totals include ELS cotton. |  |  |  |  |  |

weight of 375 pounds, while the large Egyptian bale weighs about 720 pounds. China has two bale sizes- 176 and 440 pounds; bale weights in Turkey and the USSR, 460 pounds, more closely match the U.S. bale.

## Foreign Delivery Costs

The purchase of foreign-grown cotton by U.S. textile mills is generally conducted through domestic cotton merchants or shippers. As with the purchase of U.S. cotton, mills would primarily buy foreign cotton from merchants who would purchase the cotton from the foreign source and arrange for and pay all associated costs of delivery to the textile mill.

Typical costs associated with importing foreign-grown raw cotton would include the following:

- buying commissions,
- controlling fees at origin,
- ocean freight,
- marine insurance,
- U.S. port user fees on arrival,
- customs clearing and forwarding,
- warehousing,
- storage and insurance,
- interest,
- domestic transportation,
- miscellaneous costs, and
- estimated overhead.

If foreign cotton is to be price competitive with U.S. supplies at domestic mills, the foreign export price, plus all delivery costs, should not exceed U.S. mill-delivered prices. In order to estimate the foreign marketing and transportation costs involved in such movements, a number of sources were utilized. The most important source of data was cost information obtained from a number of U.S. cotton merchants with experience in buying and selling foreign growths. Other sources included freight brokers, ocean transportation companies, and USDA and Department of Commerce reports.

Costs were calculated f.a.s. foreign port, delivered to the U.S. port areas of Savannah, Georgia, and Charleston, South Carolina. Domestic transportation from the ports to the Group B mill area was included. However, costs associated with moving cotton from foreign interior locations to the respective foreign ports were not included, because price offerings for foreign cotton are generally quoted on the basis of port location.

Marketing cost estimates were made from each of the 12 foreign exporting countries. While only total costs are reported in this article, estimates reflect the aggregate of the individual cost items. To give some idea of the relative magnitude of each item, detailed costs for shipping Brazilian cotton to U.S. mills are shown in table B-2. Nearly 48 percent of the total cost is accounted for by ocean freight charges, domestic transportation from the port to the mill represents about 6.2 percent, and interest costs are over 9 percent of the total. The overhead expenses for marketing foreign cotton were estimated at about 2 cents a pound, or about 16 percent of the total cost of 12.9 cents a pound.

Table B-2--Estimated total cost to deliver Brazilian cotton to U.S. mills, 1990/91 1/

| Item | Dollars per bale $2 /$ | Cents per pound |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Buying commissions | 3.36 | 0.7 |
| Controlling fees | . 96 | . 2 |
| Ocean freight | 29.66 | 6.2 |
| Marine insurance | 1.68 | . 3 |
| U.S. port fees | . 48 | . 1 |
| Clearing and forwarding | . 96 | . 2 |
| Warehousing | 1.92 | . 4 |
| Storage \& insurance | 1.44 | . 3 |
| Interest | 5.66 | 1.2 |
| Domestic transportation | 3.84 | . 8 |
| Miscellaneous costs | 2.16 | . 4 |
| Overhead | 10.00 | 2.1 |
| Total | 62.12 | 12.9 |
| 1/ Does not include for 2/ 480 -pound net weigh |  |  |

Source: Industry estimates and other secondary data.

Table B-3--Estimated cost to import foreign cotton and the cost difference, by country, 1990/91.
Cost to
deliver, U.S.
Cost difference
fill points $1 /$
-Cents per pound-

| South America: |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Argentina |  |  |
| Brazil | 12.9 | +5.4 |
| Mexico | 12.9 | +5.4 |
| Paraguay | 7.6 | +0.1 |
|  | 14.2 | +6.7 |
| Asia/Oceania: |  |  |
| Australia | 15.9 | +8.4 |
| China | 14.7 | +7.2 |
| India | 13.9 | +6.4 |
| Pakistan | 13.9 | +6.4 |
| Turkey | 12.3 | +4.8 |
| USSR | 12.6 | +5.1 |
| Africa: |  |  |
| Egypt | 12.1 | +4.6 |
| Sudan | 13.3 | +5.8 |

1/ Total cost to deliver, U.S. Group B mill points from selected foreign port areas. 2/ Difference between foreign costs and U.S. interior-to-mill costs estimated at 7.5 cents a pound.

Source: Industry estimates and other secondary data.

Table B-3 lists each of the exporting countries, and the estimated total cost to deliver cotton to U.S. Group B mills. Also shown, are the calculated cost differences between cotton shipped from the average U.S. spot location to the mill area, and the corresponding foreign costs. The U.S. interior-to-mill cost were estimated at approximately 7.5 cents a pound. This is the approximate difference between the spot market average for SLM 1-1/16 inch cotton and the reported Group $B$ mill prices for the same base quality.

Delivery costs ranged from a low of 7.6 cents a pound from Mexico to a high of nearly 16 cents from Australia.
Transportation costs for Mexican cotton reflect a direct, through-rail rate to U.S. mills, with no ocean freight involved.

The data in table B-3 can be used for evaluating alternative import opportunities in the absence of import restrictions, or if current import quotas are triggered. For example, it costs approximately 8.4 cent a pound more to deliver Australian cotton to domestic mills than from U.S. locations ( 15.9 cents7.5 cents). Therefore, if the U.S. spot market price of cotton was 79.9 cents a pound (April 1991 average), comparable Australian cotton would have to sell at 71.5 cents a pound, or less, to be competitive with U.S. growths at the mill door. Similar comparisons for other countries can also be made.

## Conclusions

U.S. raw cotton imports have been traditionally low, but recent efforts to ease global trade restrictions could result in an increased opportunity to import foreign-grown cotton. Significant volumes of foreign cotton are available, but foreign shipping costs were found to range from 7.6 to almost 16 cents a pound for the 12 countries analyzed. U.S. cotton is expected to remain very competitive in world markets under provisions of the new 1990 Farm Act. U.S. prices should remain competitive with alternative foreign growths at U.S. mills when transportation and marketing costs are considered, and U.S. imports should remain minimal.

# Wool Prices Liberalized in International Markets 

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#### Abstract

Wool prices made a dramatic jump in May 1988, reaching their highest level in 30 years. High prices, among other factors, have exerted a strong downward pressure on the quantity demanded and caused disarray in the wool markets. As part of the overhaul of the wool industry in Australia, the world's largest producer and exporter, the Government suspended the wool price support scheme in February 1991, then abolished it in May 1991. As a result, wool prices were freed to be determined according to supply and demand factors.


Keywords: Wool markets, price fluctuation, price liberalization.

## Introduction

On February 1, 1991, the Australian Government canceled wool auction sales for 3 weeks and on February 11, 1991, announced the suspension of wool price supports until the end of the present marketing year, June 30, 1991. Following Australia's lead, on February 12, 1991, the New Zealand Wool Board announced a minimum price scheme for the balance of the season. These announcements mean that the two Boards will no longer operate price supports through purchasing wool that fails to reach minimum price levels at auction. Following a 3-week closure of the market, wool sales resumed on February 25, 1991. No market-priceintervention program was in place for the first time in nearly 20 years in Australia, and in 40 years in New Zealand. The freely operating wool market was able to determine the price of wool according to supply and demand factors. For the next season, starting July 1, 1991, the Australian Government will establish new guidelines for wool sales and decide whether or not to reinstate a price support scheme.

As expected the Australian market indicator price dropped from its close of A704 cents to A454 cents per kilogram, clean, a sharp 35 percent decline (11). The drop in New Zealand's market was less drastic, falling from NZ395 cents to NZ357 cents per kilogram, clean, in the first trading day. This represented a decline of almost 26 percent in the real price to growers-from the minimum guaranteed price of NZ485 cents to NZ357 cents (8).

At the end the first week of the free market (end of February), the Australian market indicator dropped further, to A428 cents/kg, clean, (US $\$ 3.35 / \mathrm{kg}$ ), while New Zealand's fell to NZ347 cents/kg (US\$2.16/kg). In the second week,

[^3]prices were firming, closing at A445 cents/kg in Australia and NZ357 cents per kilogram in New Zealand. At the sale on April 11, the Australian market indicator rose 9 percent from the low of A428 cents to A467 cents, while it increased to NZ411 cents in New Zealand (9). In South Africa, the wool market reopened in the first week of March 1991 with prices generally following the Australian market. The South African market indicator price fell SA403 cents to close at SA947 cents/kg (clean) (US\$ 3.68/kg).

As part of the reorganization of the wool industry in Australia, the Govemment introduced a new package of measures to provide favorable future conditions for the wool market. Basically, the Government agreed to lift the ceiling on its guarantee of Australian Wool Corporation (AWC) borrowing by only $\mathrm{A} \$ 3.5$ billion and to extend its guarantee on all borrowing beyond 1992, until its debts are reduced to a manageable level. Also the Government agreed to contribute $\mathbf{A} \$ 300$ million toward a supplementary payment scheme for wool growers who sell their wool during the remainder of the 1990/91 season. Supplementary payments will make up the difference between the new auction price and the A700 cents/kg reserve price. The Government also agreed to provide additional funds for debt reconstruction, farm improvement, household support, and counselling and assisting individual farmers.

Finally, on May 1, 1991, the Government of Australia announced it would permanently abolish the wool price support scheme. The free wool market will continue to determine the real level of wool prices. Moreover, the Government founded a new institution, the Australian Wool Corporation, which will be responsible for marketing, quality control, research and development, and disposition of

C.i.f. London.

Figure $\mathrm{C}-2$
Wool Prices, Monthly 1986-91

C.i.f. London.
wool stockpiles. Sales of wool stocks, which were frozen in February 1991, will be permitted beginning July 1, 1991. Revenues from these sales will be used to repay AWC debts (7).

The wool price liberalization is considered a significant forward step in providing substantial benefits for the industry, individual growers, users, and taxpayers in Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, and elsewhere. In addition, the new policies ended the uncertainty in wool markets that had caused most buyers to wait before making new purchases. This will add to market stability.

## Wool Price Fluctuation

Wool price fluctuations are not new. They made a dramatic jump between 1986 and 1988, reaching their highest level in 30 years (fig. C-1). In May 1988, the price of fine wool used for high-quality clothing and apparel (category 64 's tested 21 microns in diameter) peaked at US $\$ 13.04$ per kilogram, clean weight, c.i.f. London. The peak price was triple the price at the trough 21 months earlier (August 1986). The
price for coarse wool, used mainly for carpets and rugs (category 48 's tested 34 microns in diameter), rose a relatively modest 60 percent from January 1986 to October 1988. The drastic $1986-88$ price increase for fine wool was still below the trough-to-peak price surge that occurred during the international commodity price boom during the 1973 oil crisis. Between 1971 and 1973 the price for fine wool nearly quadrupled, while that for coarse wool tripled.

High wool prices, among other factors, have exerted strong downward pressure on the quantity demanded from June 1988 to the present. The 1988 price was not sustainable. This resulted in a slump in the wool market, especially in the fine wool categories. Between May 1988 and January 1991, fine wool prices declined 43 percent, and, between August 1988 and January 1991, prices for coarse wool declined 47 percent (fig C-2).

## Australla's Role in Wool Markets

Australia, the world's largest single wool producer and exporter, takes a leading role in setting prices in the world market (figs. C-3-8). At the beginning of the 1988/89 season, the AWC set the minimum support price at A870 cents per kilogram, clean, for a weighted average of 13 wool categories. The new AWC support price was 35 percent higher than a year earlier, and 85 percent higher than in 1984/85. The AWC's justification for raising the price floor was to compensate for the depreciated value of the Australian dollar. Over the last 5 marketing years (1984/85 to 1989/90), the Australian dollar depreciated 42.8 percent against the German mark, 41.7 percent against the yen, 25.9 percent against the pound sterling, and only 1 percent against the U.S. dollar.

The high Australian support price spurred domestic and foreign production. The increased production, combined with a slowdown in world consumption, forced the AWC to accumulate stockpiles of surplus wool to keep prices from moving below the minimum support level. This caused considerable uneasiness in the world wool market and textile industry. On May 31, 1990, the Australian Government decided to intervene, ordering a new floor price for wool at A 700 cents $/ \mathrm{kg}$, a 20 percent reduction. In addition, the Government raised the wool levy charged by the AWC from 8 to 18 percent of growers' revenue, effective June $1,1990$. The Government's objective was to significantly increase wool sales and stabilize prices.

The new measures, however, proved to be insufficient. During the 1990/91 season (which started in July 1990), demand has been sluggish and prices have continued to move only a few cents above the floor price of A700 cents/kg, indicating a fundamental weakness in the price structure. Consequently, the AWC had been obliged to purchase even more wool, causing its stockpiles to increase from 3.06 million bales on July 1,1990 , to nearly 4.8 million

Flgure C-3
Major Wool Exporters, 1989


Figure C-4
Major Wool Importers, 1989


Figure C-5
World Wool Production, 1980

bales in January 1991. Moreover, the AWC depleted its huge financial reserves and has borrowed a record high $\mathrm{A} \$ 2.8$ billion, exceeding the maximum Government guarantee level of A $\$ 2.5$ billion.

In October 1990, the Government again increased the wool levy from 18 to 25 percent of growers' revenue. The new legislation also established a maximum wool levy of 30 per-

Figure C-6


Figure C-7
World Wool Consumption, 1980


Figure $\mathrm{C}-8$
World Wool Consumption, 1989

cent (permitting increases up to that level by administrative decree) and, if necessary, a wool tax surcharge of up to 20 percent from the beginning of the 1991/92 season. In November 1990, the Government approved a proposal to slaughter 20 million of the country's 173 -million head of sheep and imposed production quotas to cut overall wool production by 25 percent over the 12 months beginning July 1991.

The AWC reportedly wanted the floor price scheme to continue, but the Government balked when the Australian Bureau of Agricultural and Resource Economics forecast that stockpiles would rise from 4.8 million to 8.7 million bales over the next 2 years and require an increase in the AWC's federally guaranteed debt from A $\$ 2.8$ billion to about $\mathrm{A} \$ 4.0$ billion (4).

## Analysis of Current Fluctuations in the World Market

Declining wool prices since May 1988 have basically been a result of changes in market fundamentals, which can be explained by the conventional theory of supply and demand. Usually, when demand for wool is exceptionally high, a rapid increase in price acts as a useful rationing device; some buyers drop out of the market and some substitute other fibers for wool.

Five major factors influence the current world wool market: (1) a deceleration of economic growth rates in the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) countries; (2) the economic situation in China, the USSR, and Eastern Europe; (3) competition from manmade fibers; (4) record world wool stockpiles; and (5) actions of The Australian Wool Corporation.

## Deceleration in OECD Economic Growth Rates

A slowdown in economic growth in OECD countries, the principal wool consumers, is usually accompanied by decreasing expenditures on clothing in general and on woolfabric clothing in particular. For example, the recent deceleration in the economic growth rate in Western Europe depressed consumers' expenditures for clothing. For the 11 leading OECD countries for which statistics are available, this was reflected by a 5 -percent decrease in wool textile manufacturing in the first quarter of 1990 (12). The industry contraction started in worsted processing, but later spread to combing and weaving.

Consumption of raw wool in the EC-12 countries, the world's largest single market, declined 3.7 percent during the last 2 years (table $\mathrm{C}-1$ ). Because of its large wool reserves, Japan also cut imports and increased imports of intermediate and finished wool textile products from low-cost manufacturers in other Asian countries. Use of U.S. and Japanese wool remains low, with consumption in 1989 being 5.5 and 4.0 percent, respectively, below its level 2 years earlier. These setbacks in Europe and Japan resulted in a substantial buildup of wool stocks at the producer level, as well as at the industrial, wholesale, and retail levels. These, in turn, contributed to a further slowdown in the demand for raw wool.

| Country | 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1,000 tons |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Argentina | 23.2 | 16.2 | 24.9 | 23.1 | 26.7 | 24.6 | 27.3 | 26.3 | 21.3 | 21.2 |
| Australia | 30.2 | 29.5 | 28.6 | 31.1 | 18.9 | 20.6 | 20.7 | 20.3 | 20.5 | 17.9 |
| Belgium-Lux | 35.8 | 30.4 | 31.4 | 33.5 | 40.0 | 38.1 | 36.6 | 31.0 | 34.0 | 42.0 |
| China | 122.6 | 144.6 | 174.8 | 171.2 | 149.2 | 188.6 | 243.9 | 254.1 | 298.7 | 243.5 |
| Czechoslovakia | 27.1 | 20.9 | 22.2 | 22.6 | 20.1 | 21.4 | 21.9 | 21.8 | 24.9 | 25.8 |
| East Germany | 110.0 | 109.1 | 99.2 | 95.7 | 44.6 | 42.7 | 37.8 | 35.8 | 32.7 | 28.2 |
| Fed. Germany | 59.6 | 50.1 | 41.2 | 37.1 | 63.6 | 62.9 | 59.8 | 62.3 | 58.0 | 60.1 |
| India | 32.3 | 33.3 | 37.6 | 39.1 | 34.0 | 35.0 | 34.5 | 33.0 | 33.7 | 32.2 |
| Italy | 140.9 | 136.0 | 119.2 | 114.4 | 127.1 | 130.1 | 125.0 | 140.2 | 139.9 | 133.6 |
| Japan | 106.7 | 103.3 | 111.9 | 100.3 | 118.1 | 123.2 | 113.6 | 126.8 | 126.3 | 121.9 |
| New Zeal and | 21.0 | 19.9 | 19.8 | 19.8 24.0 | 23.3 | 13.4 13 | 22.4 162 | 21.5 | 18.8 | 19.2 |
| Pakistan Spain | 20.2 | 22.5 | 23.0 | 20.0 | 20.0 | 21.5 | 24.8 | 19.2 | 16.9 | 16.6 |
| S.Korea | 28.1 | 29.7 | 29.1 | 27.6 | 24.4 | 27.6 | 39.5 | 46.3 | 54.2 | 52.6 |
| Soviet Union | 331.4 | 342.0 | 333.1 | 360.6 | 302.9 | 308.3 | 308.6 | 324.1 | 320.0 | 333.9 |
| Taiwan Kinglom | 14.9 | 14.0 | 16.8 | 18.2 | 18.1 | 14.2 | 23.9 | 26.1 | 19.9 | 20.9 |
| United Kingdom | 92.3 | 88.2 | 85.5 | 87.3 | 78.0 | 77.0 | 78.0 | 87.0 | 87.6 | 80.7 |
| United States | 56.6 | 63.2 | 53.3 | 64.0 | 68.3 | 51.8 | 62.1 | 62.5 | 53.0 | 59.0 |
| World total ${ }_{\text {S }}$ S 2 | 1,288 | 1,294 | 1,287 | 1,507 | 1,215 | 1,246 | 1,317 1,700 | 1,377 | 1,768 | 1,356 |
|  |  |  | 426.7 |  |  | 415.9 |  | 416.0 |  |  |
| Eastern Europe | 121.2 | 113.9 | 109.8 | 106.6 | 119.3 | 116.9 | 114.1 | 108.8 | 114.8 | 108.0 |
|  | Percent |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| EC-12 | 29.4 | 27.6 | 27.4 | 26.5 | 26.0 | 25.6 | 24.0 | 23.9 | 23.1 | 23.4 |
| Soviet Union | 21.0 | 21.6 | 21.4 | 23.0 | 19.0 | 19.0 | 18.2 | 18.6 | 18.1 | 19.5 |
| Eastern Europe | 7.7 | 7.2 | 7.1 | 6.8 | 7.5 | 7.2 | 6.7 | 6.2 | 6.5 | 6.3 |
| Japan | 6.8 | 6.5 | 7.2 | 6.4 | 7.4 | 7.6 | 6.7 | 7.3 | 7.2 | 7.1 |
| United States | 3.6 | 4.0 | 3.4 | 4.1 | 4.3 | 3.2 | 3.7 | 3.6 | 3.0 | 3.4 |
| Others | 23.7 | 23.9 | 22.3 | 22.2 | 26.5 | 25.9 | 26.5 | 25.9 | 25.2 | 25.9 |
| 1/ At the spinning stage of the wool textile industry. 2/ Prior to 1984, a total of 47 major countries; beginning 1984, 66 countries. 3/ Prior to 1982, EC-10 countries only. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Source: Wool S | $\begin{aligned} & \text { tics } 19 \\ & n \text { and } \end{aligned}$ | -90 and ernatio | revious Wool | ssues. udy Gr | Lond | th Secr June | at In | ationa | OL |  |


| country | 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1,000 tons |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Belgium-Lux | 42.2 | 33.5 | 30.9 | 33.7 | 46.9 | 55.2 | 58.0 | 64.0 | 66.5 | 69.4 |
| China | 29.1 | 44.6 | 63.9 | 50.6 | 47.3 | 113.4 | 152.2 | 152.5 | 187.4 | 104.4 |
| France | 117.2 | 124.4 | 111.5 | 108.9 | 127.8 | 131.7 | 131.6 | 118.5 | 114.7 | 126.0 |
| Fed Germany | 13.1 | 18.0 | 61.4 13.0 | 61.4 19.8 | 75.0 19.6 | 77.2 21.2 | 72.8 32.5 | 79.7 | 75.9 | 74.9 25.0 |
| Italy | 117.7 | 113.5 | 90.5 | 65.9 | 105.9 | 120.3 | 109.2 | 122.2 | 114.0 | 106.8 |
| Japan | 175.6 | 167.4 | 179.3 | 161.4 | 184.2 | 184.0 | 176.8 | 204.4 | 174.8 | 173.0 |
| S.Korea | 22.8 | 29.2 | 28.8 | 29.9 | 27.6 | 31.3 | 38.2 | 44.7 | 37.8 | 32.2 |
| Soviet Union | 124.2 | 126.3 27.8 | 125.2 | 149.5 | 89.6 | 109.1 | 115.3 | 134.0 | 114.3 | 124.3 |
| United Kingdom | 95.5 | 107.9 | 101.0 | 109.2 | 117.8 | 128.3 | 117.6 | 138.9 | 128.1 | 110.2 |
| United States | 33.0 | 43.7 | 36.1 | 36.0 | 41.9 | 35.1 | 44.0 | 47.7 | 43.6 | 4.9 |
| Sub-total | 877.6 | 907.4 | 872.7 | 861.2 | 919.4 | 1,047.3 | 1,098.0 | 1,186.0 | 1,122.6 | 996.1 |
| World totals | 1,119.7 | 1,165.7 | 1,093.0 | 1,088.4 | 1,137.4 | 1,261.2 | 1,324.0 | 1,413.8 | 1,377.8 | 1,241.2 |

1/ Excludes wool on the skin.
Source: Wool Statistics, Commonwealth Secretariat International Wool Textile Organization, and International Hool Study Group, London, June 1990.

## The Economic Situation In China, the USSR, and Eastern Europe

Recent political changes in China, the Soviet Union, and Eastern Europe created a chain of economic events with a substantial impact on the world demand for wool. Consumption in these countries was 40 percent of the 1989 world total, down from 41.5 percent in 1988 (table C-1). Import demand was 21.3 percent of the world total, down from 25.7 percent in 1988.

From 1978 to 1988, China had been the fastest growing wool market and wool importer in the world. However, following the Tiananmen Square events of June 1989, China's import demand for raw wool and wool semimanufactures (tops, yarn, and fabrics) was weakened by foreign exchange shortages. Consequently, during the 1989/90 season, China's wool imports dropped by 44.3 percent, forcing its wool textile industry to operate far below capacity (table C 2). In addition, a large proportion of wool tops and yarms that had been ready for shipment to the Chinese market in 1989/90 ended up in storehouses or were sold below cost. This created excess capacity in several wool-processing countries and cut those countries' import demand for raw wool.

A shortage of foreign exchange also hampered the Soviet Union, where wool imports in 1989 were approximately 15 percent below those of 2 years earlier (table C-2). Before 1989, Soviet wool imports had not grown sufficiently to compensate for the declining size of the national flock and domestic production. In addition, the USSR failed to repay some debts to wool exporters in Australia and New Zealand, causing trade to stop near the end of the $1989 / 90$ season. In Eastern Europe, also, import demand for wool decreased 9.3 percent below the previous year, due mainly to political and economic upheavals and lack of foreign exchange.

## Competition From Other Fibers

In reaction to the record prices for wool, fabric manufacturers have switched to other fabric blends as substitutesmainly cotton and manmade fibers. At the same time, technical developments in the manufacture of manmade fibers and in the processing of cotton knitwear provided a wide range of texture choices and contributed to more substitution for wool.

Synthetic fibers are the major competitor for fine wool types in the manufacturing of worsted yarn (6). As a result, for the first time in 6 years, consumption of manmade fibers has gained at the expense of natural fibers. In fact overall wool consumption in nine reporting countries was 2 percentage points lower in the first quarter of 1990 than in the first quarter of 1989 , with a corresponding rise in competing manmade fibers (12).

## Record World Wool Stockpiles

During the 1989/90 season, world wool stocks have been rapidly accumulating, creating a burdensome surplus and exerting a substantial downward pressure on prices. Worldwide, stockpiles rose to a record $4,503,000$ bales ( 518,000 tons, clean) at the end of June 1990, nearly four times the level at the beginning of the 1989/90 season. From the beginning to the end of the 1989/90 season, Australian wool stocks increased sixteen fold, from 188,300 bales ( 22,000 tons, clean) to $3,037,381$ bales ( 349,400 tons, clean). These stocks far surpassed the 1974/75 record of $1,616,200$ bales (194,000 tons, clean) and represented Australia's largest and quickest stock buildup ever. New Zealand faced a similar situation, with stocks held by the Wool Board quintupling during the season-from 98,300 bales clean ( 12,000 tons, clean) to 491,00 bales ( 60,000 tons)-reaching the highest level since 1982. Stocks in South Africa and Argentina also rose substantially $(10,12)$.

Since the beginning of the 1990/91 season on July 1, 1990, through the end of January 1991, wool stockpiles have continued an unprecedented carryforward trend. In Australia stocks reached 4,765,627 bales, in New Zealand they were nearly 700,000 bales, and in South Africa they amounted to 272,989 bales (11).

## Action of the Australlan Wool Corporation

Until 1973, Australian wool marketing was conducted at auctions, with brokers representing the producers with the agents of overseas buyers. Auction sales were run privately and freely, and were not subject to direct export regulation or control. In 1973, however, the Australian Wool Board joined the Australian Wool Commission to establish the current Australian Wool Corporation (AWC).

Since its foundation, the AWC has taken a leading role in determining and operating a reserve price scheme for individual qualities of wools. It established the floor price in consultation with the Wool Council of Australia, which represents the 60,000 wool growers who fund the effort by contributing a certain percentage of their wool income as a levy. Wool levies collected by the AWC are used to promote wool marketing and research and to finance the floor price scheme for growers. The AWC bought wool at auction when bidding prices were below the predetermined floor price, and resubmitted the stockpiled wool to the market when prices improved or the floor price was reduced. Wool Boards in New Zealand, South Africa, Argentina, and Uruguay usually maintain reserve prices at levels equivalent to the AWC, after adjusting for quality differences and conversion factors to clean wool.

In the short run, factors influencing the supply/demand forces in the international market for raw wool indicate wool prices will remain low. On the demand side, prospects for import growth in major markets of Western Europe, Japan, and the United States remain dim. With current stocks high in relation to world production and consumption, any pickup in demand along the wool textile pipeline should be reflected relatively slowly in auction trade offerings and prices. Labor costs in the textile industry favor imports of intermediate textile goods and finished clothing and apparel. In addition, demand by the critical importing regions of China, the USSR, and Eastern Europe, while less predictable, has been sluggish and is likely to remain so during the balance of the 1990/91 season, mainly due to slowdowns in economic activities and lack of foreign exchange. These countries are of great importance in the world wool market because they consumed over 40 percent of the world trade total in 1989.

On the supply side, world production is forecast to increase nearly 1 percent over the previous year by the end of June

1991 (1,2). Following the elimination of the price support scheme, the percentage of wool trade clearances will pick up as prices reflect the supply and demand forces of the world market. However, an absolute clearance will most likely not be achieved due to continuing sluggish world demand for wool. The size of the "new" stock accumulation (in addition to the rate of wool disposition from the frozen stockpiles starting July 1, 1991) will have a substantial impact on sale prices, most likely pushing them lower over the next few years, until burdensome supplies are reduced.

Over the longer run, world wool production will most likely decrease because of the elimination of the Australian floor price scheme, the increased wool levy, the reduction in the size of the national flock, and the imposition of production quotas. These policies are likely to induce a major structural adjustment of the wool industry in Australia and other major producing countries. In Australia, the direct impact of these policies will reduce wool growers' returns, restrain growth in domestic production, and force producers to switch to more profitable crops over the next few years. Wool production is expected to increase in China, the EC-12, and other small markets. However, these countries produce mainly coarse types of wool. Consequently, imports of fine types will accelerate where consumers demand more and higher quality textiles as their income rise.

## Summary

A worldwide switch in consumers' preference towards fine wool material for high-quality apparel, started in the mid1980's. This was the main force driving the wool market to its May 1988 peak, when prices were three times higher than they had been only 21 months earlier. High prices led to larger world sheep flocks and greater wool production, especially in Australia where farmers enthusiastically switched to raising sheep as a lucrative substitute for low-priced wheat.

However, record prices, reduced demand due to economic slowdowns in major consuming and importing countries, lack of foreign exchange in China, the USSR, and Eastern Europe, the impact of interfiber substitution, and unprecedented carryforward of wool stocks in Australia and other countries contributed to serious repercussions in the world wool market. As a result, the Australian Government intervened by the abolishing the wool price support scheme. This led to the liberalization of the wool market. Now prices depend largely on the interaction of a wide range of supply and demand factors, and market signals are transmitted directly to sheep growers, reflecting the actual supply and demand situation.

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Appendix table 1--Cotton acreage, production, and yield, by State, 1985-90

|  | Planted acres |  |  |  |  | Harvested acres |  |  |  |  | Lint yield per harvested acre |  |  |  |  | Production |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| State | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Average } \\ & \text { 1985-895 } \end{aligned}$ | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 | 91990 | Average | e 1987 | 1988 | 1989 | 1990 | Average | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 | 1990 | Average | 1987 | 1988 | 1989 | $\begin{gathered} 1990 \\ 1 / \end{gathered}$ |
|  |  |  |  |  | $1 /$ | 1985-89 |  |  |  | 1/ | 1985-89 |  |  |  | 1/ | 1985-89 |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | -1,000 | 0 acr |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1,000 | 80-1b. | ales 2/ |  |
| Alabama | 340 | 335 | 390 | 328 | 8390 | 334 | 333 | 375 | 322 | 388 | 586 | 572 | 486 | 571 | 495 | 407 | 397 | 380 | 383 | 400 |
| Arizona 3/ | 298 | 290 | 350 | 240 | 350 | 297 | 289 | 349 | 239 | 348 | 1,289 | 1,410 | 1,190 | 1,303 | 1,131 | 793 | 849 | 865 | 649 | 820 |
| Arkansas | 563 | 555 | 695 | 610 | - 770 | 548 | 550 | 675 | 595 | 750 | 717 | 786 | 742 | 687 | 704 | 820 | 901 | 1,044 | 851 | 1,100 |
| California 3/ | 1,176 | 1,150 | 1,350 | 1,050 | 1,070 | 1,165 | 1,140 | 1,335 | 1,040 | 1,060 | 1,144 | 1,259 | 1.015 | 1,228 | 1,245 | 2,767 | 2,989 | 2,824 | 2,661 | 2,750 |
| Florida | 26 | 30 | 33 | 26 | $6 \quad 37$ | 25 | 29 | 29 | 25 | 36 | 634 | 646 | 566 | 557 | 600 | 33 | 39 | 34 | 29 | 45 |
| Georgia | 269 | 250 | 350 | 265 | - 355 | 252 | 245 | 315 | 260 | 350 | 607 | 662 | 564 | 631 | 562 | 321 | 338 | 370 | 342 ! | 410 |
| Kansas | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 22 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 350 | 480 | 373 | 240 | 406 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Louisiana | 641 | 605 | 735 | 645 | 810 | 613 | 600 | 645 | 620 | 790 | 658 | 782 | 705 | 672 | 717 | 842 | 977 | 948 | 868 | 1,180 |
| Mississippi | 1,074 | 1.020 | 1,230 | 1,050 | 1,225 | 1,052 | 1,010 | 1.190 | 1,020 | 1,215 | 726 | 829 | 736 | 732 | 731 | 1,594 | 1,745 | 1,825 | 1,555 | 1,850 |
| Missouri | 198 | 200 | 245 | 214 | 248 | 192 | 199 | 242 | 209 | 235 | 652 | 796 | 607 | 618 | 623 | 261 | 330 | 306 | 269 | 305 |
| New Mexico 3/ | 67 | 66 | 77 | 61 | 69 | 58 | 62 | 69 | 55 | 62 | 665 | 689 | 710 | 698 | 774 | 81 | 89 | 102 | 80 | 100 |
| North Carolina | 101 | 96 | 126 | 112 | 201 | 99 | 95 | 124 | 110 | 200 | 583 | 495 | 515 | 615 | 650 | 120 | 98 | 133 | 141 | 271 |
| Oklahoma | 400 | 400 | 460 | 370 | 385 | 374 | 385 | 435 | 340 | 365 | 335 | 431 | 334 | 244 | 500 | 263 | 346 | 303 | 173 | 380 |
| South Carolina | 125 | 120 | 145 | 120 | 155 | 123 | 119 | 142 | 118 | 154 | 521 | 428 | 473 | 626 | 452 | 133 | 106 | 140 | 154 | 145 |
| Tennessee | 424 | 440 | 535 | 465 | 525 | 419 | 435 | 530 | 460 | 520 | 579 | 700 | 529 | 497 | 452 | 502 | 634 | 584 | 476 | 490 |
| Texas 3/ | 4,960 | 4,700 | 5,600 | 4.650 | 5,600 | 4,310 | 4,400 | 5,300 | 3,750 | 5,000 | 420 | 506 | 472 | 367 | 480 | 3,833 | 4,635 | 5,215 | 2,870 | 5,000 |
| Virginia | 1 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 5 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 5 | 476 | 373 | 510 | 498 - | 598 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 7 |
| Total: Upland | 10,666 | 10,259 | 12,325 | 10,210 1 | 12,197 | 9,864 | 9,894 | 11,759 | 9.166 | 11,480 | 619 | 702 | 615 | 602 | 638 | 12,772 | 14,475 | 15,077 | 11,504 | 15,254 |
| American-Pima | 180 | 138 | 190 | 377 | 232 | 179 | 137 | 189 | 372 | 228 | 904 | 1,000 | 848 | 893 | 762 | 334 | 285 | 334 | 692 | 363 |
| United States | 10,846 | 10,397 | 12,515 | 10,587 1 | 12,429 | 10,043 | 10,030 | 11,948 | 9,538 | 11,708 | 624 | 706 | . 619 | 614 | 640 | 13,106 | 14,760 | 15,412 | 12,196 | 15,617 |
| 1/ Crop Produ |  |  | 1991. 21 | / Bales of | of 480 |  |  | 3/ Up | and only |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |



1/ Compiled from Bureau of the Census data and adjusted to an August $1480-1 \mathrm{lb}$. net weight basis. Excludes preseason ginnings.
2/ Includes preseason ginnings 3/ Adjusted to August $1-J u l y 31$ marketing year. 4/ Difference between ending stocks based on Census data and preceding season's supply less disappearance. 5/ Marketing year average, with no allowance for unredeemed loans. 6/ Estimated. 7/ USDA is prohibited by law from publishing cotton price forecasts.


1/ Compiled from Bureau of the Census data and adjusted to $480-1 \mathrm{~b}$. net weight basis. 2/ August stocks adjusted to an August 1 basis, excluding preseason ginnings. 3/Adjusted to $480-1 \mathrm{~b}$. bales by use of monthly conversion factors for mill stocks. 4/ Primarily cotton on farms and in transit. Estimated by subtracting public storage and mill stocks from total stocks. 5/ August data include preseason ginnnings. 6/ Adjusted to a calendar month. 7/ Supply less disappearance. End-of-season stocks adjusted by Bureau of the Census data. Differences primarily reflect varying bale weights. Monthly data are rounded. 8/ Preliminary and estimated.

Appendix table 4--U.S. upland cotton exports by country of destination

| Country | 1988/89Staple length |  |  |  | $1989 / 90$Staple length |  |  |  |  | 1990/91 Staple length (Cumulative August-March) |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1-inch and under | $\begin{aligned} & 1-\text { inch to } \\ & 1-1 / 8 \text { inch } \end{aligned}$ | 1-1/8 inch and over | Total | 1-inch and under | 1 -inch to 1-1/8 inch | 1-1/8 inch and over | Total | 1-inch and under | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 1-inch to } \\ & 1-1 / 8 \text { inch } \end{aligned}$ | 1-1/8 inch and over | Total |
| 1,000 480-lb. bales |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Asia \& Oceania: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Bangladesh | 5.7 | 49.3 | 2.8 | 57.8 | 4.2 | 110.7 | 8.3 | 123.2 | -- | 18.8 | -- | 18.8 |
| China | -- | 764.3 | 28.8 | 793.1 |  | 629.1 | 40.8 | 669.9 | 16.0 | 879.0 | 42.0 | 937.0 |
| Hong Kong | 0.7 | 98.5 | 9.2 | 108.4 | 19.6 | 215.7 | 7.5 | 242.8 | 25.9 | 172.2 | 2.2 | 200.3 |
| Indonesia | 8.3 | 2 279.1 | 16.1 | - 303.5 | 10.2 | . 459.6 | 23.8 | + 493.6 | 23.0 | 374.6 | 9.9 | 407.5 |
| Japan | 60.8 | 1,215.4 | 23.9 | 1,300.1 | 53.3 | 1,441.7 | 2.1 | 1,497.1 | 77.6 | 968.8 | 8.7 | 1055.1 |
| Korea | 15.8 | 1,169.8 | 94.6 | 1,280.2 | 12.5 | 1,245.3 | 66.2 | 1,324.0 | 36.7 | 805.3 | 52.8 | 894.8 |
| Philippines | 0.5 | 48.8 | 0.8 | 50.1 | 16.9 | 108.2 | 8.1 | 133.2 | 10.2 | 70.6 | 3 | 80.8 |
| Taiwan | 44.6 | 198.2 | 11.0 | 253.8 170.8 | 23.8 | 287.1 | 4.0 | 314.9 370.7 | 37.6 | 200.4 | 3.7 | 241.7 |
| Thailand | 0.9 | 164.3 | 5.6 | 170.8 | 5.2 | 349.0 | 16.5 | 370.7 | 8.9 | 204.5 | 11.7 | 225.1 |
| Eastern Community: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Belgium | -- | 41.6 | 3.4 | 45.0 | -- | 45.3 | 3.0 | 48.3 | 5.4 | 29.9 | 4.5 | 39.8 |
| France | -- | 163.4 | 2.9 | 8.3 | -- | 16.7 | 72.6 | 19.3 | 4.3 | 6.0 | 0.4 | 10.7 |
| Germany | 1.5 | 163.2 | 51.6 | 216.3 | -- | 209.1 | 74.8 | 283.9 | 7.9 | 93.9 | 41.9 | 143.7 |
| Ireland | 2.9 | 40.7 169.8 | 3.2 30.2 | 43.9 202.9 | 1.1 | 41.3 303.9 | 56.3 | 42.6 361.5 | 20.9 | 18.2 | 3.9 50.5 | 24.0 267.1 |
| Portugal | 0.9 | 20.7 | 2.4 | 24.0 | 1.1 | 26.3 | 12.5 | 38.8 | 4.5 | 27.3 | 4.6 | 36.4 |
| Spain | 1.6 | 37.0 | 2.7 | 41.3 | -- | 124.9 | 22.0 | 146.9 | 1.2 | 62.7 | 11.4 | 75.3 |
| United Kingdom |  | 31.9 | 4.7 | 36.6 | -- | 62.6 | 9.6 | 72.2 | . | 23.6 | 3.3 | 26.9 |
| Other Europe: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Poland | -- | 15.9 | -- | 15.9 | -- | 58.7 | -- | 58.7 | -- | 13.7 | -- | 13.7 |
| Sweden | -- | 15.8 | -- | 15.8 | -- | 19.4 | 2.5 | 21.9 | 1.5 | 16.2 | -- | 17.7 |
| Switzerland | -- | 24.8 89.0 | 7.5 | 24.8 96.5 | -- | 22.1 97.3 | 21.0 | 22.1 118.3 | 15.8 | 28.8 43.7 | 4.2 | 30.6 63.0 |
| Yugoslavia | -- | 5.3 | 6.6 | 11.9 | -- | 11.8 | 1.7 | 13.5 | \% | 11.2 | 3.8 | 15.0 |
| Western Hemisphere: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Canada | 0.8 | 96.4 | 51.0 | 148.2 | 3.5 | 127.6 | 65.5 | 196.6 | 8.8 | 88.3 | 27.6 | 124.7 |
| Mexico | 0.3 | 12.1 | 7.0 | 19.4 | 10.5 | 94.0 | 12.3 | 116.8 | 37.3 | 110.3 | 24.3 | 171.9 |
| Africa: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Egypt | -- | 102.3 | -- | 102.3 | -- | 242.2 | -- | 242.2 | -- | 211.0 | 31.6 | 242.6 |
| Ghana | -- | 5.6 | -- | 5.6 | 0.5 | 12.2 | -- | 12.7 | -- | 11.9 | -- | 11.9 |
| Morocco | -- | 15.1 | -- | 15.1 | -- | 26.2 | -- | 26.2 | -- | 26.0 | 1.4 | 27.4 |
| Algeria | 4.5 | 61.4 | -- | 65.9 | -- | 26.2 | -- | 26.2 | -- | 35.6 | -- | 35.6 |
| Other | 2.9 | 337.2 | 85.4 | 425.5 | 5.1 | 178.0 | 20.8 | 203.9 | 17.6 | 193.7 | 11.7 | 223.0 |
| Total | 152.7 | 5,278.9 | 451.4 | 5,883.0 | 166.4 | 6,592.2 | 483.4 | 7,242.0 | 363.2 | 4,942.8 | 356.1 | 5,662.1 |

-- = No exports.
Source: Bureau of the Census.

-- = No exports.
1/ Preliminary.
Source: U.S. Export Sales, Foreign Agricultural Service, USDA.

Appendix table 6--U.S. Raw cotton imports by country of origin

## Marketing year


$0=$ No imports
1/ No imports. France, Italy, Switzerland and Taiwan

Appendix table 7 - - Index of prices of selected cotton growth and qualities, and price per pound of U.S. cotton, c.i.f. Northern Europe, 1984-91 1/


Appendix table 8-C.i.f. Northern Europe price quotations for principal growth of A-type cotton, weekly, August 1990 to date

| Month \& week | California/ Arizona | Memphis territory | USSR | China | Africa | Central <br> America | Australia | Turkey | Paraguay | Mexico | Pakistan | $\stackrel{A}{\text { Index } 2 /}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | U.S. cents/lb. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Aug. $\frac{2}{9}$ | 85.50 86.25 | 81.25 81.75 | 83.00 82.50 | 85.00 85.00 | 80.50 81.00 | 80.50 81.25 | NQ NQ | NQ | NQ | 83.50 84.00 | 82.00 82.50 | 81.45 82.05 |
| 16 | 83.75 | 78.25 | 81.50 | 83.50 | 78.75 | 79.00 | NQ | NQ | Na | 81.00 | 79.75 | 79.35 |
| 23 | 85.00 | 79.75 | 81.75 | 83.50 | 79.50 | 80.25 | NQ | NQ | NQ | 82.25 | 80.50 | 80.35 |
| 30 | 86.75 | 81.50 | 82.50 | 85.00 | 80.75 | 81.25 | NQ | NQ | NQ | 83.75 | 82.25 | 81.65 |
| Sept . $\begin{array}{r}6 \\ 13 \\ 20 \\ 27\end{array}$ | 87.25 | 82.00 | 81.00 | 85.50 | 80.25 | 81.00 | NQ | NQ | NQ | 83.50 | 82.75 | 81.40 |
|  | 87.25 | 81.50 | 81.00 | 85.50 | 80.50 | 81.00 | NQ | NQ | NQ | 83.00 | 82.50 | 81.30 |
|  | 88.00 | 82.25 | 82.00 | 86.50 | 81.50 | 82.25 | NQ | NQ | NQ | 84.00 | 83.00 | 82.20 |
|  | 86.75 | 81.00 | 80.50 | 85.00 | 80.25 | 80.75 | NQ | NO | NQ | 83.00 | 81.25 | 80.75 |
| Oct. $\begin{array}{r}4 \\ 11 \\ 18 \\ 25\end{array}$ | 86.50 | 80.75 | 80.50 | 85.00 | 79.50 | 80.25 | NQ | 87.00 | NQ | 82.75 | 81.00 | 80.40 |
|  | 88.00 | 82.50 | 81.00 | 86.00 | 80.50 | 81.25 | NQ | 87.00 | NO | 83.50 | 82.00 | 81.45 |
|  | 88.50 | 83.00 | 81.50 | 86.25 | 80.50 | 81.75 | NQ | 86.00 | NQ | 83.50 | 82.25 | 81.80 |
|  | 89.00 | 83.50 | 82.00 | 87.00 | 81.00 | 82.25 | NQ | 87.50 | NQ | 83.50 | 83.25 | 82.40 |
| Nov. $\begin{array}{r}1 \\ 8 \\ 15 \\ 22 \\ 29\end{array}$ | 89.50 | 84.00 | 83.00 | 87.00 | 81.50 | 83.00 | NQ | 87.50 | NQ | 84.25 | 83.75 | 83.05 |
|  | 88.00 | 83.00 | 83.00 | 86.50 | 81.50 | 83.00 | NQ | 87.50 | NQ | 83.25 | 82.25 | 82.55 |
|  | 88.00 | 83.00 | 83.00 | 86.50 | 82.00 | 82.75 | NO | 86.00 | NQ | 83.00 | 82.25 | 82.60 |
|  | 88.00 | 83.00 | 83.00 | 86.50 | 82.00 | 83.00 | NQ | 86.00 | NQ | 83.25 | 82.25 | 82.65 |
|  | 88.00 | 83.00 | 83.00 | 86.50 | 82.00 | 83.00 | NQ | 86.00 | NQ | 83.25 | 82.75 | 82.75 |
| Dec. $\begin{array}{r}6 \\ 13 \\ 20 \\ 27\end{array}$ | 87.75 | 82.75 | 83.00 | 86.75 | 81.50 | 83.00 | NQ | 85.00 | NQ | 83.00 | 84.00 | 82.65 |
|  | 89.50 | 84.50 | 84.00 | 85.00 | 83.25 | 84.25 | NQ | 85.50 | NQ | 84.25 | 85.75 | 84.05 |
|  | 89.75 | 84.75 | 84.00 | 88.00 | 83.25 | 84.25 | NQ | 86.25 | NQ | 84.25 | 86.00 | 84.10 |
|  | NQ | NQ | NQ | NQ | NQ | NQ | NQ | NQ | NQ | NQ | NQ | NQ |
| 1991: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan. 3 | 90.00 88.75 | 85.00 | 84.00 | 87.00 | 82.75 | 85.25 | 84.50 | 86.00 | 80.25 | 85.25 | 85.00 | 83.30 |
| 10 | 88.75 | 84.25 | 84.50 | 87.00 | 82.25 | 84.50 | 84.00 | 88.00 | 79.00 | 84.50 | 85.25 | 82.80 |
| 17 | 89.50 | 85.00 | 85.00 | 87.50 | 82.50 | 85.25 | 84.25 | 88.00 | 79.50 | 85.25 | 85.50 | 83.25 |
| 24 | 90.00 | 85.50 | 84.50 | 87.50 | 80.50 | 85.75 | 85.25 | 90.00 | 80.25 | 85.75 | 85.75 | 83.20 |
| 31 | 92.50 | 87.75 | 84.50 | 87.50 | 81.00 | 87.75 | 86.75 | 89.00 | 81.75 | 87.75 | 86.75 | 84.25 |
| Feb. $\begin{array}{r}7 \\ 14 \\ 21 \\ 28\end{array}$ | 96.25 | 92.50 | 85.50 | 89.50 | 83.50 | 90.50 | 89.50 | 90.50 | 83.50 | 91.50 | 85.50 | 85.50 |
|  | 96.25 | 92.50 | 85.00 | 89.50 | 83.75 | 90.00 | 90.00 | 89.50 | 83.00 | 91.00 | 85.00 | 85.25 |
|  | 97.50 | 94.25 | 84.00 | 90.50 | 83.50 | NQ | 90.50 | 88.00 | 83.50 | NQ | 85.00 | 84.80 |
|  | 98.50 | 95.75 | 84.25 | 90.50 | 84.25 | NQ | 89.50 | 88.00 | 84.50 | NQ | 84.50 | 85.10 |
| Mar. $\begin{array}{r}7 \\ 14 \\ 21 \\ 28\end{array}$ | 98.50 | 95.75 | 85.50 | 91.50 | 83.25 | NQ | 89.25 |  | 83.50 |  |  | 84.35 |
|  | 98.50 | 96.00 | 82.50 | 91.00 | 84.00 | NQ | 89.50 | 88.50 | 84.00 | NQ | 82.50 | 84.30 |
|  | 95.00 | 93.50 | 81.75 | 91.00 | 82.50 | NQ | 88.00 | 86.50 | 84.00 | NQ | 80.25 | 83.00 |
|  | 95.00 | 93.50 | 81.25 | 90.50 | 82.75 | NQ | 88.00 | 86.50 | 84.00 | NQ | 80.25 | 82.95 |
| Apr. $\begin{array}{r}4 \\ 11 \\ 18 \\ \\ 25\end{array}$ | 96.00 | 94.50 | 81.50 | 90.50 | 82.50 | NQ | 88.00 | 86.50 | 84.00 | NQ | 80.25 | 82.95 |
|  | 99.50 | 98.50 | 81.50 | 91.00 | 82.50 | NQ | 90.00 | 87.50 | 84.00 | NQ | 82.00 | 83.50 |
|  | NQ | 97.50 | 81.50 | NQ | 81.50 | NQ | 88.75 | 87.50 | 85.00 | NQ | 82.00 | 83.50 |
|  | NQ | 96.50 | 80.75 | NQ | 81.50 | NQ | 87.75 | 88.50 | 84.50 | NQ | 80.50 | 83.00 |
| May $\begin{array}{r}2 \\ 9 \\ \\ 16 \\ 23\end{array}$ | NQ | 99.00 | 81.75 | NQ | 81.50 | NQ | 87.75 | 93.00 | 83.50 | NQ | 82.00 | 83.30 |
|  | NQ | 99.00 | 81.75 | NQ | 81.50 | NQ | 87.75 | 93.00 | 83.50 | NQ | 82.00 | 83.30 |
|  | NQ | 101.00 | 81.75 | NQ | 83.00 | NQ | 89.50 | 94.00 | 84.00 | NQ | 85.50 | 84.75 |
|  | NQ | 100.00 | 81.75 | NQ | 82.00 | NQ | 90.50 | 90.00 | 83.50 | NQ | NQ | 85.55 |

$N Q=$ No quotes.
1/ Since August 1, 1987, Pakistan-type 1505 has been included in the A index selection.
2/ The A index is an average of the five lowest priced types of SLM 1-3/32 inch staple cotton offered on the European market.

Source: Cotton Outlook, Liverpool Cotton Services, Ltd.

Appendix table 9--c.i.f. Northern Europe price quotation for principal growth of coarsecount cotton, weekly, August 1990 to date

| Month \& week | Orleans/ Texas | Pakistan | China | USSR | Turkey | Southern Brazil | Argentina | $\begin{aligned} & \text { B } \\ & \text { Index } 1 / \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| U.S. cents/lb. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1990: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Aug. 2 | 76.75 | 76.75 | NQ | 81.00 | NQ | NQ | NQ | 78.15 |
| 9 | 77.25 | 77.25 | NQ | 81.75 | NQ | NQ | NQ | 78.75 |
| 16 | 74.00 | 74.50 | NQ | 79.50 | NQ | NQ | Na | 76.00 |
| 30 | 75.50 | 75.25 76.50 | NQ NQ | 79.75 | NQ | NQ | NQ | 76.85 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sept.162027 | 78.00 | 77.00 | NQ | 78.00 | 79.50 | NQ | NQ | 77.65 |
|  | 77.50 | 76.75 | NQ | 78.00 | 79.50 | NQ | NQ | 77.40 |
|  | 78.00 | 77.25 | NQ | 79.00 | 80.00 | NQ | NQ | 78.10 |
|  | 76.75 | 75.50 | NQ | 77.50 | 78.00 | NQ | NQ | 76.60 |
| t. $\begin{array}{r}4 \\ 11 \\ 18 \\ 25\end{array}$ | 76.50 | 75.25 | NQ | 77.50 | 78.00 | NQ | NQ | 76.40 |
|  | 78.00 | 76.25 | NQ | 78.25 | 76.75 | NQ | Na | 77.00 |
|  | 78.00 | 76.50 | NQ | 78.75 | 76.00 | NQ | Na | 76.85 |
|  | 78.50 | 77.50 | NQ | 79.00 | 77.00 | NQ | Na | 77.65 |
| Nov. $\begin{array}{r}1 \\ 8 \\ 15 \\ 22 \\ 29\end{array}$ | 79.00 | 78.00 | NQ | 80.00 | 78.00 | NQ | NQ | 78.35 |
|  | 77.50 | 76.50 | NQ | 80.50 | 78.50 | NQ | NQ | 77.50 |
|  | 77.00 | 76.50 | NQ | 80.00 80 | 79.00 | NQ | NQ | 77.50 |
|  | 77.00 | 77.00 | NQ | 80.00 | 79.00 | NQ | NQ | 77.65 |
| Dec. $\begin{array}{r}6 \\ 13 \\ 20 \\ 27\end{array}$ | 76.50 | 78.25 | NQ | 80.00 | 78.50 | NQ | NQ | 77.75 |
|  | 75.50 | 80.00 | NQ | 81.00 | 79.25 | NQ | NQ | 78.25 |
|  | 75.50 | 80.25 | NQ | 81.00 | 80.50 | NQ | NQ | 78.75 |
|  | NQ | NQ | NQ | NQ | NQ | NQ | NQ | NQ |
| 1991: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan. 3 | 76.50 | 79.25 | NQ | 81.00 | 80.25 | 76.50 | 77.75 | 76.90 |
| 10 | 75.25 | 79.50 | NQ | 81.50 | 81.25 | 75.00 | 77.00 | 75.75 |
| 17 | 76.00 | 79.75 | NQ | NQ | 81.25 | 75.50 | 77.50 | 76.35 |
| 31 | 76.25 78.00 | 80.00 | NQ | NQ | 82.75 | 76.50 | 78.25 | 77.00 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| b. $\begin{array}{r}7 \\ 14 \\ 21 \\ 28\end{array}$ | 81.25 | 79.50 | NQ | NQ | 83.75 | 77.50 | 79.25 | 78.75 |
|  | 81.00 | 79.00 | NQ | NQ | 82.75 | 76.50 | 78.50 | 78.00 |
|  | 83.00 83.50 | 79.75 | NQ | Na | 81.00 | 77.00 | 79.00 | 78.60 |
|  |  |  | NQ | Na | 79.50 | 78.50 | 79.00 | 78.90 |
| Mar. $\begin{array}{r}7 \\ 14 \\ 21 \\ 28\end{array}$ | 82.75 | 77.75 | NQ | NQ |  |  |  |  |
|  | 82.50 | 77.25 | NQ | NQ | 81.50 | 82.50 | 79.00 | 79.25 |
|  | 79.75 | 75.00 | NQ | NQ | 19.50 | 82.50 83.00 | 76.75 | 77.15 |
| Apr. $\begin{array}{r}4 \\ 11 \\ 18 \\ 25\end{array}$ | 80.00 | 75.00 | NQ | NQ | 80.00 | 82.50 | 76.75 | 77.25 |
|  | 82.00 | 76.25 | NQ | Na | 81.00 | 82.50 | 77.00 | 78.10 |
|  | 81.00 | 76.00 | NQ | NQ | 81.00 | 82.00 | 77.25 | 78.10 |
|  | 81.50 | 75.00 | NQ | Na | 81.50 | 82.00 | 77.50 | 78.00 |
| May2 <br> 9 <br>  <br> 16 <br> 23 | 81.00 | 76.50 | NQ | Na | 85.00 | NQ | 78.50 | 78.35 |
|  | 81.00 | 76.50 | NQ | NQ | 85.00 | NQ | 77.50 | 78.35 |
|  | 84.00 | 79.50 | NQ | NQ | 86.00 | NQ | 78.50 | 80.65 |
|  | 82.50 | 79.25 | NQ | NQ | 85.00 | NQ | 78.00 | 79.90 |
| $N Q=N o$ quotes. <br> 1/ The B Index is based on coarse grades of cotton varyng in staple length from 1 in. to 1-3/32 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ource: Cotton Outlook, Liverpool Cotton Services, Lt |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Appendix table 10--Strict low middling spot prices in designted U.S. markets, loan rates, and prices received by farmers for upland cotton, 1984/5-1990/91

| Year beginning August 1 | Average spot market prices per pound (net weight) 1/ |  |  |  |  |  | Price received by farmers (net weight) 2/ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 15/16 } \\ & \text { inch } \end{aligned}$ | $\xrightarrow{\text { inch }}$ | $\begin{gathered} 1-1 / 32 \\ \text { inch } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 1-1 / 16 \\ \text { inch } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1-3 / 32 \\ & \text { inch } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 1-1 / 8 \\ \text { inch } \end{gathered}$ |  |
| Cents |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1984/85 | 52.39 | 55.98 | 58.30 | 60.51 | 60.29 | 60.49 | 3/ 58.7 |
| 1985/86 | 52.16 | 55.81 | 57.87 | 60.01 | 59.62 | 59.77 | 3/56.8 |
| 1986/87 | 44.80 5788 | 47.77 | 50.78 | 53.16 | 53.81 63.63 | 55.89 | 3/51.5 |
| 1988/89 | 49.02 | 52.32 | 53.99 | 57.67 | 58.14 | 59.51 | 3/ 55.6 |
| 1989/90: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| August | 61.03 | 64.79 | 66.63 | 69.88 | 70.42 | 72.27 | 60.2 |
| September October | 60.56 | 63.79 | 65.37 66.28 | 68.46 69.40 | 69.00 | 70.29 | 63.9 65.8 |
| November | 61.54 | 64.33 | 65.34 | 68.33 | 68.75 | 68.85 | 65.4 |
| December | 57.37 | 59.82 | 60.54 | 63.56 | 63.99 | 64.08 | 61.4 |
| January | 55.19 | 58.24 | 59.20 | 62.21 | 62.63 | 62.72 | 59.9 |
| February | 56.87 | 60.69 | 61.90 | 64.95 | 65.37 | 65.46 | 61.0 |
| March | 69.43 | 63.21 | 64.79 | 71.31 | 68.48 | 78.57 | 64.1 65.0 |
| May | 62.77 | 68.60 | 71.28 | 74.61 | 75.03 | 75.12 | 65.4 |
| June | 63.37 | 70.77 | 73.57 | 77.06 | 77.48 | 77.57 | 62.3 |
| July | 68.23 | 73.45 | 76.51 | 79.53 | 79.95 | 80.04 | 62.9 |
| Season | 60.73 | 64.89 | 66.62 | 69.78 | 70.23 | 70.64 | 63.6 |
| 1990/91: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| August | 66.02 59.22 | 71.01 | 73.30 67.50 | 76.27 | 76.69 |  | 64.6 |
| September October | 59.22 | 66.21 | 67.50 67.09 | 71.01 | 71.43 | 71.52 | 65.0 |
| October November | 58.59 | 66.13 | 67.09 66.06 | 70.54 69.48 | 70.97 | 71.06 | 67.5 68.2 |
| December | 58.70 | 64.61 | 66.20 | 69.92 | 70.43 | 70.63 | 64.2 |
| January | 58.17 | 64.70 | 66.78 | 70.50 | 71.09 | 71.29 | 67.9 |
| February | 64.27 | 71.78 | 74.22 | 77.69 | 78.45 | 78.65 | 68.5 |
| March | 65.13 65.55 | 72.24 73.6 | 74.74 76.71 | 77.92 | 78.63 80.65 | 78.78 | 71.8 |
| Loan rate 4/ | 43.87 | 45.52 | 48.32 | 50.27 | 50.72 | 50.87 |  |

1/ Spot market loan rates and prices are for cotton with micronaire readings of 3.5 through 4.9. 2/ Prices do not include an allowance for loans outstanding and Government purchases. 3/ Weighted market average. U.S. prices based on U.S. monthly prices weighted by monthly marketings from August through the following July. 4/ SLM 1-1/i6 in. average location.

Source: Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service, Agricultural Marketing Service, and National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.

Appendix table 11--CCC loan premiums and discounts for grade and staple length of 1991-crop American upland cotton, basis grade 41 staple 34 (SLM 1-1/16 inch), net weight

|  | Staple length (inches) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Grade | Code | $\begin{aligned} & 13 / 16(26) \\ & \text { through } \\ & 29 / 32 \text { (29) } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 35 / 16 \\ & (30) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 31 / 32 \\ & (32) \end{aligned}$ | $\left.\frac{1}{32}\right)$ | $\begin{gathered} 1-1 / 32 \\ (33) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 1-1 / 16 \\ (34) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 1-3 / 32 \\ (35) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 1-1 / 8 \\ (36) \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1-5 / 32 \\ & \text { (37) \& } \\ & \text { longer } \end{aligned}$ |
|  | Points/lb. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| White: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| SM \& better | (11\& 21) | -715 | -620 | -365 | -300 | -70 | 160 | 210 | 215 | 250 |
| MID PLUS | (30) | -735 | -640 | -380 | -310 | -80 | 155 | 195 | 205 | 240 |
| MID | (31) | -745 | -645 | -390 | -320 | -95 | 140 | 190 | 200 | 235 |
| SLM PLUS | (40) | -775 | -675 | -430 | -400 | -180 | 50 | 100 | 115 | 140 |
| SLM | (41) | -815 | -715 | -480 | -450 | -230 | BASE | 50 | 65 | 75 |
| LM PLUS | (50) | -900 | -835 | -625 | -625 | -430 | -240 | -210 | -205 | -200 |
| LM | (51) | -995 | -935 | -755 | -755 | -550 | -360 | -340 | -330 | -320 |
| SGO PLUS | (60) | -1275 | - 1275 | -1275 | -1275 | -1050 | -1000 | -975 | -965 | -950 |
| SGO | (61) | -1395 | - 1395 | -1395 | -1395 | -1160 | - 1130 | -1120 | - 1120 | -1110 |
| GO PLUS | (70) | -1570 | -1565 | -1520 | -1520 | -1330 | -1325 | -1325 | -1325 | -1325 |
| GO | (71) | -1625 | - 1625 | -1520 | -1565 | -1370 | -1370 | -1365 | -1365 | -1365 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| SM \& better MID | $(12 \% 22)$ | -765 -825 | -655 -710 | -430 | -370 | -160 -235 | 55 -5 | 80 45 | 95 50 | 120 60 |
| SLM | (42) | -905 | -795 | -495 | -655 | -440 | -285 | -255 | -245 | -245 |
| LM | (52) | -1130 | -1130 | -1130 | -1130 | -900 | -900 | -890 | -890 | -890 |
| SGO | (62) | -1565 | -1565 | -1565 | -1565 | -1330 | -1330 | -1330 | -1330 | -1330 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| SM \& better | (13\% 23) | -1060 | -895 | -750 | -750 | -515 | -490 | -465 | -455 | -435 |
| MID | (33) | -1106 | -975 | -830 | -800 | -630 | -630 | -630 | -630 | -630 |
| SLM | (43) (53) | -1315 | -1315 -1630 | -1315 -1630 | -1315 | -1110 -1380 | -1110 | -1100 -1365 | -1100 | -1100 |
| SGO | (63) | -1730 | -1730 | -1730 | -1730 | -1480 | -1465 | -1465 | -1465 | -1465 |
| Tinged: 1/ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| SM | $(24)$ $(34)$ | -1720 -1770 | -1570 -1620 | -1555 -1605 | -1550 -1600 | 1340 -1390 | -1300 -1350 | -1300 -1350 | -1300 -1350 | -1300 -1350 |
| SLM | (44) | -1830 | -1756 | -1750 | -1750 | -1545 | -1545 | - 1545 | -1545 | -1545 |
| LM | (54) | -2000 | -1945 | -1935 | -1935 | -1750 | -1745 | -1745 | -1745 | -1745 |
| Light gray: 460 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| SM \& better MID | ${ }_{(16 \%}^{(36)}$ 26) | -820 -1005 | -720 1005 | -590 -1005 | -530 -1005 | $\begin{aligned} & -360 \\ & -780 \end{aligned}$ | -415 | 20 -360 | 20 -350 | 30 -345 |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { MID } \\ & \text { SLM } \end{aligned}$ | (36) $(46)$ | -1005 | 1005 -2005 | -1005 -2005 | -1005 -2005 | -780 -1775 | -415 -1456 | -360 -1400 | -350 -1380 | - $\begin{array}{r}345 \\ -1370\end{array}$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| MID | (37) | -2015 | -2015 | -2015 | -2015 | -1785 | -1465 | - 1410 | -1390 | -1380 |
| SLM | (47) | -2115 | -2115 | -2115 | -2115 | -1885 | -1565 | -1510 | -1490 | -1480 |
| 1/ Cotton classed as "Yellow Stained" (Middling and better grades) will be eligible for loan if otherwise eligible, at a discount 200 points greater than the discount for the comparable quality in the color group "tinged." |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |


|  | Points per pound |  | : | Points per pound |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Micronaire reading | Staples 32 <br> (1iI) \& shorter | Staples 33 <br> (1-1/32I) \& longer | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Micronaire } \\ & \text { reading } \end{aligned}$ | Staples 32 <br> (1i) \& shorter | Staples 33 <br> (1-1/32") \& longer |
| 5.3 and above | -350 | -255 | : 3.3 through 3.4 | -145 | -245 |
| 5.0 through 5.2 | -255 | -175 | : 3.0 through 3.2 | -365 | -515 |
| 4.3 through 4.9 | 0 | 0 | 2.7 through 2.9 | -665 | -815 |
| 3.7 through 4.2 | +15 | +15 | : 2.5 through 2.6 | -1035 | -1165 |
| 3.5 through 3.6 | 0 | 0 | : 2.4 and below | -1510 | -1540 |

Source: USDA, Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service.

Appendix table 13--CCC schedule of loan rates for eligible qualities of 1991-crop extra long staple cotton (American Pima) stored in approved warehouses at all locations, micronaire 3.5 and above $1 /$

Staple (inches)


1/ A micronaire premium of 129 points ( 1.29 cents) per pound is reflected in the loan rates for the eligible qualities; thus, the national average loan rate reflected in the above schedule is 84.28 cents per pound. cotton with micronaire readings below the micronaire range 13.5 and abovell will be subject to the discounts in the schedule of micronaire differences for els cotton in the above table.

Source: USDA, Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service.

| Appendix tab | $\begin{array}{r} \text { 4--Fibr } \\ \text { f. } . \end{array}$ | rices: Land producing p | Group its, ac | mill points l and estima | tton pr | s, and mann equivalent | $\begin{gathered} \text { de stap } \\ 1984-9 \end{gathered}$ | iber pr |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | on 1/ |  | ( 21 | Poly | er 3/ | Pric | atios $4 /$ |
| year | Actual | Raw fiber equivalent 5/ | Actual | Raw fiber equivalent 5/ | Actual | Raw fiber equivalent 5/ | Cotton/ rayon | Cotton/ polyester |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1984 \\ & 1985 \\ & 1986 \\ & 1987 \\ & 1988 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 76 \\ & 66 \\ & 61 \\ & 73 \\ & 65 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 84 \\ & 73 \\ & 68 \\ & 81 \\ & 72 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 84 \\ & 79 \\ & 76 \\ & 81 \\ & 91 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 88 \\ & 82 \\ & 79 \\ & 84 \\ & 94 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 79 \\ & 66 \\ & 62 \\ & 66 \\ & 74 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 82 \\ & 69 \\ & 65 \\ & 69 \\ & 77 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & .95 \\ & .89 \\ & .86 \\ & .96 \\ & .77 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 1.02 \\ 1.06 \\ 1.04 \\ 1.18 \\ .94 \end{array}$ |
| 1989: <br> January February March April May June July August September October November | 64 63 66 69 72 73 76 79 76 78 76 72 | $\begin{aligned} & 71 \\ & 70 \\ & 73 \\ & 77 \\ & 80 \\ & 81 \\ & 84 \\ & 88 \\ & 84 \\ & 87 \\ & 84 \\ & 80 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \\ & 100 \\ & 100 \\ & 110 \\ & 110 \\ & 110 \\ & 110 \\ & 110 \\ & 110 \\ & 119 \\ & 119 \\ & 119 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 104 \\ & 104 \\ & 104 \\ & 115 \\ & 115 \\ & 115 \\ & 115 \\ & 115 \\ & 115 \\ & 124 \\ & 124 \\ & 124 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 81 \\ & 81 \\ & 81 \\ & 81 \\ & 81 \\ & 89 \\ & 89 \\ & 89 \\ & 89 \\ & 89 \\ & 89 \\ & 89 \end{aligned}$ | 84 84 84 84 84 93 93 93 93 93 93 93 | .68 .67 .70 .67 .71 .74 .77 .70 .708 .65 | .84 .83 .87 .91 .95 .87 .91 .95 .91 .93 .81 |
| Average | 72 | 80 | 110 | 114 | 86 | 89 | . 70 | . 89 |
| 1990: <br> January February March April May June July August September October November December | $\begin{aligned} & 70 \\ & 72 \\ & 76 \\ & 78 \\ & 82 \\ & 87 \\ & 87 \\ & 84 \\ & 79 \\ & 78 \\ & 79 \\ & 80 \end{aligned}$ | 78 80 84 87 91 97 96 93 88 87 87 89 | $\begin{aligned} & 119 \\ & 119 \\ & 119 \\ & 119 \\ & 119 \\ & 119 \\ & 119 \\ & 119 \\ & 119 \\ & 122 \\ & 122 \\ & 124 \end{aligned}$ | 124 124 124 124 124 124 124 124 124 127 127 127 | 89 89 89 89 85 82 78 78 78 78 78 78 | 93 93 93 93 89 85 81 81 81 81 81 81 | .63 .65 .68 .70 .74 .78 .75 .71 .68 .69 | .84 .86 .91 .94 1.03 1.13 1.99 1.14 1.08 1.07 1.07 1.09 |
| Average | 79 | 88 | 120 | 129 | 83 | 86 | . 71 | 1.03 |
| 1991: January February March April | $\begin{aligned} & 80 \\ & 87 \\ & 90 \\ & 90 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 89 \\ 96 \\ 100 \\ 99 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 124 \\ & 124 \\ & 124 \\ & 124 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 129 \\ & 129 \\ & 129 \\ & 129 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 78 \\ & 78 \\ & 78 \\ & 72 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 81 \\ & 81 \\ & 81 \\ & 75 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & .69 \\ & .75 \\ & .77 \\ & .77 \end{aligned}$ | 1.10 1.19 1.23 1.33 |

1/ SLM 1-1/16 inch 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/ Raw fiber equivalent. 5/ Actual prices converted to estimated raw fiber equivalent as follows: cotton, divided by 0.90 ; rayon and polyester, divided by 0.96 .

Source: Agricultural Marketing Service, USDA and trade reports.

Appendix table 15--Upland cotton and manmade staple fibers: Mill consumption on cotton-system spinning spindles

| Year beginning August 1 | Mannade staple |  |  |  |  | Cotton's share of total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Cotton | Rayon and acetate | Noncellulosic | Total | Total <br> fibers |  |
|  |  |  | 1,000 lbs |  |  | Percent |
| 1984/85 | 2,618,685 | 231,197 | 1,336,595 | 1,567,792 | 4,186,477 | 62.6 |
| 1985/86 | 3,086,842 | 253,459 | 1,465,228 | 1,718,687 | 4,805,529 | 64.2 |
| 1986/87 | 3,544,852 | 256,711 | 1,481,822 | 1,738,593 | 5,283,445 | 67.1 |
| 1988/89 | 3,687,330 | 285,742 | 1,397,434 | 1,683,176 | 5,370,506 | 68.7 |


| 1989/90: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| August | 341,268 | 22,314 | 110,610 | 132,924 | 474,192 | 72.0 |
| September | 426,587 342,841 | 27,016 | 139,980 | 166,996 | 593,583 | 71.9 |
| November | 318,521 | 21,230 | 100,920 | 122,150 | 440,671 | 72.3 |
| December | 338,660 | 24,509 | 115,126 | 139,635 | 478,295 | 70.8 |
| January | 31,880 | 20,837 | 103,387 | 124,224 | 436,104 | 71.5 |
| February | 408,802 | 21, 199 | 129,921 | 158, 120 | 556, 922 | 72.1 |
| April | 322,064 | 22,513 | 107:950 | 130,463 | 452,527 | 71.2 |
| May | 330,531 | 24,393 | 107,200 | 131,593 | 462,124 | 71.5 |
| June | 410,050 | 28,345 | 126,947 | 155,292 | 565,342 | 72.5 |
| July | 277,834 | 18,640 | 87,503 | 106,143 | 383,977 | 72.4 |
| Season | 4,155,211 | 281,830 | 1,345,153 | 1,626,983 | 5,782,194 | 71.9 |
| 1990/91: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| August September | 338,321 | 24,197 30,511 | 105,064 | 129,261 | 467,582 571,300 | 72.4 72.5 |
| October | 333,'106 | 22,590 | 102,249 | 124,839 | 457,945 | 72.7 |
| November | 301,969 | 18,891 | 96,245 | 115,134 | 417,103 | 72.4 |
| December ${ }^{\text {Jan-Mar }} 1 /$ | 1,296,625 | 19,441 | 35,312 | 114,753 361,306 | 411,378 $1,391,635$ | 72.1 74.0 |

1/ Preliminary.
Source: Bureau of the Census.


Rayon and acetate:


1/ Preliminary. 2/ Includes nylon, acrylic and modacrylic, polyester, and other manmade staple fibers.
Source: Bureau of the Census.

Appendix table 17--Cotton spindles in place and active, and hours operated, 1989-91


Source: Bureau of the Census.

$N A=$ Not available.
Source: Bureau of the Census, and Fiber Organon.

Appendix table 19--U.S. fiber consumption: Total and per capita, by type of fiber, 1986-90

| Fiber and year | U.S. mill use | Percent of fibers | Textile trade 1/ |  | Total domestic consumption 2/ | Percent of fibers | Per capita 3/ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Exports | Imports |  |  | Mill | Domestic |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | use | consumption |
|  | Million lbs. | Percent |  | Million |  | Percent |  | Lbs.- |
| Cotton: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1986 | 3,259.0 | 27.0 | 274.8 | 1,910.5 | 4,894.7 | 31.0 | 13.5 | 20.3 |
| 1987 | 3,753.2 | 29.0 | 298.0 | 2,335.7 | 5,790.9 | 33.7 | 15.4 | 23.7 |
| 1988 | 3,508.0 | 27.2 | 325.3 | 2,121.7 | 5,316.7 | 32.1 | 14.2 | 21.6 |
| 1989 | 4,046.1 | 30.3 | NA | NA | NA | NA | 16.3 | NA |
| 1990 | 4,103.4 | 31.1 | NA | NA | NA | NA | 16.3 | NA |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1986 | 136.7 | 1.2 | 16.0 | 275.6 | 396.3 | 2.5 | 0.6 | 1.6 |
| 1987 | 142.8 | 1.1 | 23.5 | 276.1 | 395.4 | 2.3 | 0.6 | 1.6 |
| 1988 | 132.7 | 1.0 | 30.7 | 248.7 | 350.7 | 2.1 | 0.5 | 1.5 |
| 1989 | 127.1 | 0.9 | NA | NA | NA | NA | 0.5 | NA |
| 1990 | 127.5 | 0.9 | NA | NA | NA | NA | 0.5 | NA |
| Manmade fibers: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1986 | 8,652.7 | 71.8 | 519.3 | 1,703.0 | 9,836.4 | 62.4 | 35.8 | 40.7 |
| 1987 | 9,065.7 | 69.9 | 591.9 | 1,805.4 | 10,279.2 | 59.9 | 37.2 | 42.1 |
| 1988 | 9,207.9 | 71.4 | 681.6 | 1,758.9 | 10,285. 2 | 62.1 | 37.4 | 41.8 |
| 1989 | 9,217.6 | 68.8 | NA | NA | NA | NA | 36.9 | NA |
| 1990 | 9,037.8 | 67.9 | NA | NA | NA | NA | 35.6 | NA |
| Flax and silk: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $1986$ | 4.8 | 4/ | NA | 632.2 | 637.0 | 4.0 | 4/ | 2.6 |
| 1987 | 4.7 | 41 | NA | 702.7 | 707.4 | 4.1 | 41 | 2.9 |
| 1988 | 5.0 | $4 /$ | NA | 607.5 | 612.5 | 3.7 | 41 | 2.5 |
| 1989 | 160.5 | 1.2 | NA | NA | NA | NA | 0.6 | NA |
| 1990 | 149.9 | 1.1 | NA | NA | NA | NA | 0.6 | NA |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $1986$ | 12,048.4 | 100.0 | 810.1 | 4,521.3 | 15,764.4 | 100.0 | 49.9 | 65.3 |
| 1987 | 12,961.7 | 100.0 100.0 | 1,913.4 | 5,119.9 | 17,172.9 | 100.0 | 53.1 52.4 | 70.4 67.3 |
| 1989 | 13,390.8 | 100.0 | 1, NA | 4 , NA | 16,5A. | NA | 53.7 | NA |
| 1990 | 13,268.7 | 100.0 | NA | NA | NA | NA | 52.4 | NA |

NA = Not available
1/ Raw fiber equivalent of imports and exports of textile products. 2/ Total domestic consumption is U.S. mill consumption plus net textile product trade balance. 3/ January 1 population for $1984=237.1$ million, $1985=239.3 \mathrm{million}$, $1986=241.6 \mathrm{million} 1987=243.9 \mathrm{million}, 1988=246.3 \mathrm{million}, 1989=248.8 \mathrm{million}$, and $1990=251.4 \mathrm{million}$. $4 / \mathrm{Less}$ than 0.05 pounds, or 0.1 percent. 5/ Estimated. 6/ Includes flax and silk.

Source: Bureau of the Census.

Appendix table 20--Manmade fiber production and capacity, 1989-91 1/


See footnotes at end of table.

Appendix table 20--Manmade fiber production and capacity, 1989-91 1/--continued

| Fiber | $\begin{gathered} \text { Annual } \\ 1987 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Annual } \\ 1988 \end{gathered}$ | 1Q | 2Q | -1989 $3 Q$ | 4Q | Year | 1Q | 2Q | 199 30 | 4Q | Year | 1Q | 2Q | 3Q | 4Q | Year | Average planned 1992 capacity | Annual change 1990-92 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Mi | on |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Percent |
| Other fibers: 2/ Capacity Production Percent | 30 22 73 | 30 28 93 | 7 7 100 | 8 7 88 | $\begin{array}{r} 7 \\ 7 \\ 100 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 8 \\ 7 \\ 88 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 30 \\ & 28 \\ & 93 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 8 \\ 7 \\ 88 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 8 \\ 8 \\ 100 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 8 \\ 7 \\ 88 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 8 \\ 8 \\ 100 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 32 \\ & 30 \\ & 94 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 8 \\ 7 \\ 88 \end{array}$ | 8 | 8 | 8 | 32 | 32 | 0.0 |
| Acrylic staple: Capacity Production Percent | $\begin{array}{r} 648 \\ 592 \\ 91 \end{array}$ | 641 588 92 | $\begin{array}{r} 161 \\ 144 \\ 89 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 161 \\ 146 \\ 78 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 160 \\ 129 \\ 81 \end{array}$ | 160 123 77 | 642 543 85 | $\begin{array}{r} 160 \\ 130 \\ 81 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 160 \\ 137 \\ 86 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 136 \\ 129 \\ 95 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 112 \\ 110 \\ 98 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 568 \\ 506 \\ 89 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 116 \\ 103 \\ 89 \end{array}$ | 120 | 123 | 125 | 484 | 503 | -0.4 |
| Noncellulosic total: Capacity Production Percent | $\begin{array}{r} 3 / \\ 9,253 \\ 8,340 \\ 90 \end{array}$ | 9,495 8,526 90 | 2,417 2,176 90 | 2,430 2,238 92 | 2,425 2,112 87 | 2,426 2,017 83 | 9,697 8,543 88 | 2,454 2,021 82 | 2,482 2,154 87 | 2,471 2,006 81 | 2,462 2,026 82 | $\begin{array}{r} 9,869 \\ 8,207 \\ 83 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2,486 \\ 1,939 \\ 78 \end{array}$ | 2,511 | 2,522 | 2,534 | 10,053 | 10,263 | +2.0 |
| Staple-Capacity Production Percent | 4,701 4,307 92 | 4,815 4,346 90 | 1,218 1,104 91 | 1,224 1,134 93 | 1,205 1,053 87 | 1,189 999 84 | 4,835 4,290 89 | 1,202 984 82 | 1,216 1,061 87 | 1.194 963 81 | 1.173 982 84 | $\begin{array}{r} 4,785 \\ 3,990 \\ 83 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 1,180 \\ 922 \\ 78 \end{array}$ | 1,188 | 1,193 | 1,197 | 4,758 | 4,863 | +0.8 |
| Filament-- Capacity Production Percent | $\begin{array}{r} 4,552 \\ 4,033 \\ 88 \end{array}$ | 4,680 4,180 89 | 1,199 1,072 89 | 1,206 1,104 92 | 1,220 1,059 87 | 1,237 1,018 82 | 4,862 4,253 87 | 1,252 1,037 83 | 1,266 1,093 86 | 1,277 1,043 82 | 1,289 1,044 81 | $\begin{array}{r} 5,084 \\ 4,217 \\ 83 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 1,306 \\ 1,017 \\ 78 \end{array}$ | 1,323 | 1,329 | 1,337 | 5,295 | 5,400 | +3.1 |
| Cellulosic staple: Capacity Production Percent | 465 414 89 | 468 400 85 | 118 101 86 | 119 101 85 | 121 83 69 | 123 78 63 | 481 363 75 | 102 73 72 | $\begin{aligned} & 81 \\ & 72 \\ & 89 \end{aligned}$ | 80 74 92 | $\begin{aligned} & 81 \\ & 77 \\ & 95 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 344 \\ 296 \\ 86 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 80 \\ & 67 \\ & 84 \end{aligned}$ | 81 | 80 | 81 | 322 | 322 | -0.5 |
| Cellulosic filament: Capacity Production Percent | 244 191 78 | 244 214 88 | 61 53 87 | 61 56 92 | 60 57 95 | 58 52 90 | 240 218 91 | 56 47 84 | 55 52 95 | 55 54 98 | 55 53 96 | $\begin{array}{r} 221 \\ 206 \\ 93 \end{array}$ | 55 48 87 | 55 | 54 | 55 | 219 | 219 | -0.5 |

1/ Capacity data as of December 1990. 2/ Includes saran and spandex. USDA estimates. 3/ Glass fibers are not included.
Source: Fiber Organon.

Appendix table 21--U.S. raw wool imports by country of origin

|  | Unimproved and other grades not finer-than-46's |  |  |  | 48's-and-finer |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Country | 1989 | 1990 | $\begin{aligned} & 10 \\ & 1990 \end{aligned}$ | $1991$ | 1989 | 1990 | $1990$ | $\begin{gathered} 10 \\ 1991 \end{gathered}$ |
|  |  |  |  | 000 p | clean- |  |  |  |
| Argentina | 1,086.5 | 820.0 | 250.0 | 133.0 | 41.2 | 37.3 |  |  |
| Australia | '305.7 | 337.7 | 74.2 | 31.3 | 66,771.6 | 42,989.2 | 12,340.1 | $15,905.2$ |
| Celgada | 67.7 | 102.5 | 26.1 | 41.3 | 433.8 | 182.5 | 13.2 | 92.8 |
| Chile |  | -- | -- | -- | 510.1 | 406.6 | 406.6 | 278.4 |
| Falkland Islands | 111.4 | 115.6 | 38 | -- | 21.8 | 921.6 |  |  |
| I reland Lesotho | 111.4 | 115.8 | 38.1 | -- |  | 15.2 | -75.2 | - |
| Mexico | - | - | - | $\cdots$ | 678.1 548.9 | 694.9 | 212.9 | 147.1 |
| New Zealand | 24,962.7 | 16,726.1 | 5,320.2 | 3,445.3 | 4,749.8 | 2,699.9 | 846.2 | 543.1 |
| Spain United Kingdom | 3,179.6 | 3,121.4 | 988.3 | 833.3 | 192.9 516.4 | 17.4 318.0 | 17.4 64.3 | 25.4 |
| Uruguay | 3, 24.0 | 3. 68.4 |  | 106.0 | 1,638.3 | 1,703.6 | 522.9 | 962.6 |
| Other | 151.5 | 36.7 | -- | 15.2 | 732.2 | 140.1 |  | 375.7 |
| Total | 29,889.1 | 21,355.2 | 6,696.9 | 4,605.4 | 77,002.7 | 50,310.9 | 14,465.5 | 18,374.9 |

.- = Not available.
Source: Bureau of the Census.

Appendix table 22-U.S. raw wool exports by country of destination

|  | Shorn wool |  |  | Unshorn wool |  |  | Carbonized wool |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Country | 1989 | 1990 | $1991$ | 1989 | 1990 | $\begin{gathered} 10 \\ 1991 \end{gathered}$ | 1989 | 1990 | $\begin{gathered} 10 \\ 1991 \end{gathered}$ |
|  | 1,000 pounds, clean |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Canada | 40.0 | 25.3 | 1.3 | 13.4 | 92.4 | 63.6 | 7.4 | -- | -- |
| Hong Kong | -- | --3 | $\bigcirc$ | 21.1 | 9.7 | -- | -- | -- | -- |
| Japan | 104.8 | 588.2 | 195.3 43.9 | 50.8 412.5 | 946.4 | -- | -- | 83.3 | -- |
| Taiwan | 177.6 | 19:9 | 43.9 | 412.5 | 946.2 | -- |  | 83.3 | 2.6 |
| United Kingdom | 36.7 | -- | -- | 4.7 | 165.6 | 121.3 | -- | -- | 7.2 |
| West Germany | 291.6 68.9 | 662.0 | 91.3 6.0 | 36.8 | 57.3 | --- | 35 | 3.1 |  |
| Other | 68.9 |  | 6.0 | 28.9 | 63.3 | -- | 3.5 | 3.1 | 2.2 |
| Total | 619.6 | 1,388.1 | 337.8 | 568.2 | 1,343.9 | 184.9 | 10.9 | 86.4 | 12.0 |

-- = No exports.
Source: Bureau of the Census.

Appendix table 23--U.S. trade in wool tops 1/

| Country | U.S. Imports |  |  | U.S. Exports |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1989 | 1990 | 1981 | 1989 | 1990 | $1991$ |
| 1,000 lbs. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Australia | 175.2 | 54.0 | 35.4 | 107.8 | 199.1 | -- |
| Belgium | 89.3 | -- |  | 33.0 | 46.3 |  |
| Crazada | -- | -- | -- | 335.3 | 651.4 | 178.8 |
| Chile | 76.0 | 100.2 | -- | 6.7 | --. |  |
| China |  |  | - | 210.6 | 1,782.6 | 1,141.4 |
| Columbia | -- | -- | -- | 140.9 |  |  |
| Ecuador | 33 | 10 | - | 12.7 | --9 | $\cdots$ |
| France | 33.2 | 10.9 | -- | 89.6 | 154.9 | 20.7 |
| Hong Kong | -- | -- | -- | 302.0 | 213.9 | -. |
| India | -- | -7 | -- | 251.0 |  | -- |
| Israel | 21 | 27.5 | -- | 13.7 | 110.7 | 126 |
| Japan | - |  | -- | 3,209.3 | 4.472.4 | 1,056.2 |
| Nether lands | -- | -- | -- | 33.7 | 6.0 | -- |
| Peru | -- | 22.9 | -- |  | -- | -- |
| Singapore | -- |  | -- | 61.3 |  |  |
| South Korea | -- | -- | -- | 3,190.1 | 1,341.0 | 481.4 |
| Unitan United Kingdom | 96.9 | 82.9 | 14.3 | $1,796.9$ 44.3 | 636.5 43.1 | 290.4 140.9 |
| Uruguay | 21.6 | 58.9 | 14 | -- | -- |  |
| Venezuela | -- | - | -* | 141.8 | 262.1 | 181.0 |
| West Germany | -- | 1.0 | - | 43.0 | 44.0 | 38.2 |
| Other | -- | 1.0 | 0.6 | 1.6 | 344.2 | 0.7 |
| Total | 492.2 | 358.3 | 50.3 | 10,063.9 | 10,308.2 | 3,656.4 |

-- = No imports or exports.
1/ Raw wool, not carded or combed, but processed beyond the degreased condition, e.g. dyed. Grade is not identified. 2/ Less than 500 pounds.

Source: Bureau of the Census.

| Country | 1989 | 1990 | $\begin{gathered} 1990 \\ 1 Q \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 1991 \\ 10 \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1,000 pounds clean |  |  |  |
| Belgium | 218.0 | 347.8 | 321.8 | 32.1 |
| France | 526.9 | 317.2 15.0 | 96.2 | 123.6 |
| Hondjo | 1,559.1 | 928.7 | 462.8 | 381.9 |
| Ireland |  | 26.6 |  |  |
| Italy | 382.0 | 274.0 | 132.5 | 97.3 |
| Japan | 179.2 | 13.5 | -- | -- |
| Netherlands | $\cdots$ | 47.4 | -- | .- |
| Spain | 556.4 | 71.8 | 26.3 | -" |
| Switzerland | 193.7 |  |  |  |
| Taiwan $\begin{aligned} & \text { United Kingdom }\end{aligned}$ | 7,649.2 | 9,211.3 | 2,546.2 | 715.9 |
| USSR | 7,649.2 | . 150.9 | 2, 150.9 | $\cdots$ |
| West Germany | 85.2 38.5 | 128.5 | 36.8 | 148.5 1.067 .8 |
| Total | 11,443.1 | 11,563.0 | 3,773.5 | 2,595.7 |

Appendix table 25-Domestic shipments of manmade fibers by major category, 1986-90 1/

| Fiber type | 1986 |  |  |  | 1987 |  |  |  | 1988 |  |  |  | 1989 |  |  |  | 1990 |  |  | 1991 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 10 | 2Q | 30 | 40 | 1Q | 2Q | 30 | 4Q | 10 | 20 | 3Q | 40 | 1Q | 20 | 30 | 40 | 10 | 20 | 30 | 40 |  | 1Q |
|  | Million lbs. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Woven products: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total | 534.4 | 533.6 | 536.7 | 535.4 | 524.7 | 563.2 | 559.1 | 586.3 | 559.8 | 569.7 | 564.9 | 630.2 | 586.5 | 618.1 | 544.2 | 480.7 | 455.2 | 499.9 | 495.0 | 482.5 |  | NA |
| Polyester Rayon | 526.2 53.9 | 319.0 53.2 | 319.8 55.1 | 312.7 | 314.4 52.9 | 334.0 55.2 | 316.2 | 329.8 62.7 | 317.7 58.7 | 328.7 60.5 | 319.1 63.5 | 377.4 60.3 | 322.6 69.1 | 359.7 59.7 | 302.0 50.6 | 292.6 | 267.7 | ${ }^{285.8}$ | 282.2 | 281.4 |  | NA |
| Olefin | 66.9 | 76.2 | 78.6 | 85.3 | 77.8 | 85.4 | 90.4 | 102.0 | 94.2 | 92.3 | 90.5 | 95.7 | 98.8 | 98.0 | 97.9 | 96.0 | 100.2 | 120.6 | 118.8 | 111.0 |  | NA |
| Nylon | 38.2 | 38.0 | 35.1 | 35.8 | 37.1 | 39.0 | 43.1 | 41.0 | 40.1 | 36.7 | 38.1 | 40.6 | 38.7 | 40.6 | 39.0 | 40.1 | 39.3 | 41.5 | 40.4 | 36.9 |  | NA |
| Acetate | 32.8 | 32.1 | 32.0 | 31.4 | 26.7 | 32.1 | 31.8 | 34.4 | 32.5 | 36.3 | 36.9 | 40.6 | 37.3 | 39.3 | 38.8 | 38.4 | 34.6 | 38.3 | 42.0 | 41.2 |  | NA |
| Acrylic | 16.4 | 15.1 | 16.1 | 14.4 | 15.8 | 17.5 | 17.7 | 16.4 | 16.8 | 15.2 | 16.8 | 15.6 | 20.0 | 20.8 | 15.9 | 13.6 | 13.4 | 13.7 | 11.6 | 12.0 |  | NA |
| Knit products: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total | 345.8 167.8 | 364.3 | 357.2 | 355.4 | 368.6 | 375.0 | 339.8 | 331.3 | 327.1 | 343.4 183.8 | 326.7 | 366.8 | 378.7 | 370.3 | 353.5 | 328.2 | 317.5 | 331.3 | 306.6 | 301.1 |  | NA |
| Noylon | 68.3 | 65.1 | 60.0 | 59.4 | 181.7 63.7 | 196.2 63.5 | 63:5 | 60.9 | 63.8 | 64.7 | 64.1 | 70.8 | 24.8 | 68.4 | 64.9 | 63.3 | 183.4 | 61.2 | 57.8 | 60.7 |  | NA |
| Acrylic | 95.9 | 117.7 | 111.6 | 99.9 | 112.7 | 105.2 | 87.5 | 72.1 | 85.3 | 86.3 | 80.6 | 70.0 | 84.1 | 82.2 | 77.9 | 62.7 | 73.5 | 65.8 | 58.2 | 51.2 |  | NA |
| Acetate | 12.0 | 14.3 | 12.3 | 11.2 | 9.1 | 8.4 | 5.2 | 6.3 | 5.9 | 7.9 | 5.9 | 5.2 | 6.3 | 7.6 | 3.8 | 4.2 | 5.3 | 4.7 | 3.1 | 2.7 |  | NA |
| Rayon | 1.8 | 1.7 | 1.8 | 2.0 | 1.6 | 1.7 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 0.9 | 0.7 | 1.1 | 1.2 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.3 |  | NA |
| Carpets: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total | 582.7 | 623.9 | 694.7 | 700.3 | 686.3 | 722.0 | 732.8 | 675.0 | 722.1 | 729.0 | 733.4 | 732.6 | 724.9 | 723.7 | 736.5 | 705.0 | 753.4 | 740.6 | 734.6 | 718.7 |  | NA |
| Nylon | 387.1 | 406.4 | 476.4 | 449.3 | 458.7 | 474.7 | 476.7 | 411.0 | 452.5 | 443.6 | 467.6 | 460.0 | 451.8 | 450.4 | 474.0 | 450.8 | 469.8 | 460.0 | 456.0 | 459.7 | 2/ | 345.2 |
| olefin | 164.2 | 178.9 | 181.9 | 212.5 | 180.8 | 196.6 | 204.7 | 203.9 | 203.3 | 216.3 | 203.5 | 208.7 | 212.9 | 221.8 | 213.7 | 202.6 | 235.6 | 240.5 | 238.2 | 221.0 |  | NA |
| Polyester | 31.3 | 38.4 | 36.9 | 38.4 | 46.8 | 50.7 | 51.4 | 60.1 | 66.1 | 69.0 | 62.3 | 63.8 | 60.1 | 51.3 | 48.6 | 51.6 | 48.0 | 40.1 | 40.4 | 38.0 |  | 37.6 |
| Rayon | 0.1 | 0.2 | NA | 0.1 | NA | NA | NA | NA | 0.2 | 0.1 | NA | 0.1 | 0.1 | . 0.2 | 0.2 | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA |  | NA |

[^4]Source: Fiber Organon.

| Appendix table 26--Raw wool mill consumption, 1988-90 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1988 |  |  |  | 1989 |  |  |  | 1990 1/ |  |  |  | 1988 Annual | $\begin{gathered} 1989 \\ \text { Annuat } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1990 \\ & \text { Annual } \end{aligned}$ |
| Fiber type | 10 | 20 | 30 | 40 | 10 | 20 | 30 | 40 | 10 | 20 | 30 | 40 |  |  |  |
| 1,000 pounds |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All fibers | 187,599 | 180,738 | 182,404 | 179,281 | 185,565 | 196,292 | 178,278 | 175,201 | 212,125 | 203,245 | 169,599 | 175,019 | 730,022 | 735,336 | 759,988 |
| Total rew wool | 35,404 | 33,906 | 31,841 | 31,551 | 35,397 | 33,970 | 29,848 | 27,905 | 33,747 | 32,921 | 29,402 | 31,500 | 132,702 | 127,120 | 127,570 |
| Apparel | 30,925 | 30,087 | 27,427 | 28,630 | 32,103 | 29,991 | 25,983 | 24,921 | 29,948 | 29,998 | 25,631 | 28,523 | \$17.069 | 112,998 | 114,100 |
| Total woolen $60^{\prime}$ s-and-finer Coarser-than-60's | $\begin{array}{r} 12,804 \\ 6,476 \\ 6,328 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 11,197 \\ 6,092 \\ 5,105 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 9,550 \\ & 5,682 \\ & 3,868 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 11,094 \\ 5,519 \\ 5,575 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 13,703 \\ 7,016 \\ 6,687 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 13,209 \\ 7,189 \\ 6,020 \end{array}$ | 9,796 5,417 4,379 | $\begin{aligned} & 9,227 \\ & 4,510 \\ & 4,717 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 11,741 \\ 5,282 \\ 6,459 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 12,477 \\ 6,535 \\ 5,942 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 10,284 \\ 5 ; 297 \\ 4,987 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 12,142 \\ 6,137 \\ 6,005 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 44,645 \\ & 23,769 \\ & 20,876 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 45,935 \\ & 24,132 \\ & 21,803 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 46,644 \\ & 23,251 \\ & 23,393 \end{aligned}$ |
| Total worsted 60's-and-finer Coarser-than-60's | $\begin{array}{r} 18,121 \\ 14,521 \\ 3,600 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 18,890 \\ 13,984 \\ 4,906 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 17,877 \\ 12,879 \\ 4,998 \end{array}$ | 17,536 13,169 <br> 4,367 | $\begin{array}{r} 18,400 \\ 13 ; 883 \\ 4,517 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 16,782 \\ 13,591 \\ 3,191 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 16,187 \\ 11,181 \\ 5,006 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 15,694 \\ 11,758 \\ 3,936 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 18,207 \\ 13,843 \\ 4,364 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 17,521 \\ 12.751 \\ 4,770 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 15,347 \\ 10,734 \\ 4,613 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 16,381 \\ 12 ; 488 \\ 3,893 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 72.424 \\ & 54,553 \\ & 17,871 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 67,063 \\ & 50,413 \\ & 16,650 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 67.456 \\ & 49.816 \\ & 17,640 \end{aligned}$ |
| Total 601 s -and-finer <br> Total coarser-than-60's | 20,997 9,928 | 20,076 | 18,561 8,866 | 18,688 | 20,899 17,204 | 20,780 | 16,598 9,385 | 16,268 8,653 | 19,125 10,823 | 19,288 10,712 | 16,031 9,600 | 18,625 9,898 | 78,722 | $\begin{aligned} & 74,545 \\ & 38,453 \end{aligned}$ | 73,067 41,033 |
| Carpet wool | 4,479 | 3,819 | 4,414 | 2,921 | 3,294 | 3,979 | 3,865 | 2,984 | 3,799 | 2,923 | 3,771 | 2,977 | 15,633 | 14,122 | 13.470 |
| Noils, reprocessed and reused wool | 6,956 | 5,878 | 5,926 | 5.130 | 6,659 | 7,317 | 6,118 | 3,779 | 4,380 | 4,984 | 4,935 | 3,974 | 23,890 | 23,873 | 18,273 |
| Total other fibers Carpet other fibers Non carpet other fibers | $\begin{aligned} & 145,239 \\ & 105 ; 693 \\ & 39,546 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 140,954 \\ 100.120 \\ 40.834 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 144,637 \\ 102,019 \\ 42,618 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 142,600 \\ & 104,346 \\ & 38,254 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 143.509 \\ 103.554 \\ 39.955 \end{array}$ | $\begin{gathered} 155,005 \\ 110,193 \\ 44,812 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 142,312 \\ 100,366 \\ 41,946 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 143,517 \\ 106,190 \\ 37,327 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 173,998 \\ 131,359 \\ 42,639 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 165,340 \\ 122,023 \\ 43,317 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 135,262 \\ 97,465 \\ 37,797 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 139,545 \\ 98,563 \\ 40,982 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 573,430 \\ & 412,178 \\ & 161,252 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 584,343 \\ & 420,303 \\ & 164,040 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 614,145 \\ & 449,410 \\ & 164,735 \end{aligned}$ |
| Non carpet other fibers Apparel raw wool | 1.279 | 1.357 | 1.554 | 1.336 | 1.245 | 1.494 | 1.614 | 1.498 | 1.426 | 1.444 | 1.475 | 1.437 | 1.377 | 1.452 | 1.444 |
| 1/ Preliminary. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Source: Bureau of the Census. (M220 report) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |


| Calendar year | Jan. | Feb. | Mar. | Apr. | May | Jun. | Jul. | Aug. | Sep. | Oct. | Nov. | Dec. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Cotton exports: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1980 | 71.3 | 71.2 | 73.4 | 73.9 | 72.0 | 71.1 | 70.0 | 70.4 | 70.2 | 70.7 | 71.8 | 72.6 |
| 1981 | 72.2 | 74.2 | 74.1 | 74.9 | 77.1 | 78.7 | 80.1 | 81.2 | 79.5 | 78.4 | 77.5 | 77.3 |
| 1982 | 77.3 | 80.7 | 87.1 | 87.1 | 85.4 | 88.2 | 88.3 | 94.8 | 95.9 | 91.1 | 90.2 | 88.6 |
| 1983 | 89.6 | 89.7 | 89.3 | 89.6 | 89.6 | 90.7 | 90.9 | 91.9 | 92.0 | 91.0 100.7 | 92.4 | 96.4 |
| 1984 | 96.4 | 94.6 | 93.1 103.6 | 94.3 | 95.9 100.5 | 95.5 | 97.1 | 97.7 | 100.0 | 100.7 | 99.7 | 100.5 |
| 1985 | 101.0 | 103.1 | 103.6 | 100.0 | 100.5 | 99.6 | 98.2 | 99.7 | 100.7 | 98.1 | 96.8 | 96.0 |
| 1986 | 95.2 88.2 | 93.5 87.4 | 92.4 87.2 | 92.1 86.3 | 91.3 86.1 | 91.9 86.9 | 91.1 86.9 | 90.2 86.9 | 90.7 85.8 | 90.7 84.9 | 91.2 82.2 | 90.4 81.2 |
| 1988 | 80.5 | 80.3 | 79.0 | 78.2 | 78.3 | 79.3 | 80.8 | 81.7 | 81.7 | 80.0 | 78.1 | 77.5 |
| 1989 | 78.4 | 78.8 | 79.6 | 79.7 | 81.2 | 82.0 | 80.2 | 80.6 | 81.5 | 80.3 | 80.0 | 78.3 |
| 1990 | 76.9 | 76.9 | 77.3 | 76.6 | 76.0 | 76.2 | 74.6 | 73.7 | 73.9 | 72.9 | 72.5 | 72.9 |
| Cotton imports: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $1980$ | 68.6 | 68.6 69.8 | 70.0 | 70.3 | 68.9 | 68.6 | 67.6 | 67.7 74.9 | 67.2 | 67.6 74.9 | 68.4 | 69.0 |
| 1981 | 68.8 75.1 | 69.8 76.1 | 70.0 | 70.5 77.1 | 71.9 76.5 | 72.4 | 73.3 | 74.9 79.8 | 74.8 80.5 | 74.9 82.6 | 74.0 83.0 | 74.3 81.3 |
| 1983 | 80.9 | 81.4 | 82.3 | 84.1 | 85.0 | 85.8 | 85.9 | 87.0 | 88.2 | 87.6 | 87.7 | 88.2 |
| 1984 | 88.8 | 88.7 | 88.7 | 89.2 | 90.4 | 90.7 | 91.9 | 92.7 | 94.5 | 95.2 | 96.8 | 98.5 |
| 1985 | 98.9 | 99.5 | 100.0 | 99.7 | 100.5 | 100.3 | 99.7 | 99.6 | 99.8 | 100.1 | 100.8 | 100.8 |
| 1986 | 100.7 | 99.4 | 99.0 | 98.3 | 97.8 | 98.2 | 100.1 | 100.1 | 100.3 | 100.4 | 100.9 | 100.4 |
| 1987 | 99.7 | 99.9 | 99.9 | 98.7 | 97.5 | 97.1 | 97.0 | 96.4 | 95.8 | 95.7 | 94.7 | 93.4 |
| 1988 | 92.9 | 92.4 | 91.9 | 91.3 | 91.1 | 91.0 | 90.8 | 90.6 | 90.7 | 90.2 | 89.1 | 88.8 |
| 1989 | 88.6 | 88.2 | 88.2 | 87.5 | 87.2 | 87.2 | 87.1 | 86.6 | 86.8 | 85.8 | 86.1 | 88.5 |
| 1990 | 90.4 | 90.3 | 89.9 | 90.6 | 91.0 | 91.9 | 91.9 | 92.6 | 93.4 | 93.7 | 94.3 | 95.0 |
| Manmade exports: 1980 | 77.4 | 77.3 | 78. | 79.0 | 77.8 | 76.9 | 76.1 | 76.2 | 76.1 | 76.2 | 76.8 |  |
| 1981 | 77.4 | 77.7 | 77.5 | 77.7 | 79.0 | 79.9 | 70.1 80.9 | 81.8 | 81.1 | 80.7 | 78.7 | 79.3 |
| 1982 | 79.4 | 82.2 | 87.3 | 87.1 | 86.4 | 88.8 | 88.7 | 94.2 | 95.1 | 90.6 | 89.5 | 89.1 |
| 1983 | 90.7 | 90.7 | 90.3 | 90.3 | 90.2 | 90.7 | 90.9 | 91.2 | 91.4 | 91.0 | 90.9 | 91.2 |
| 1984 | 91.5 | 91.5 | 93.2 | 93.5 | 94.7 | 95.0 | 96.3 | 96.4 | 97.9 | 98.1 | 97.7 | 98.4 |
| 1985 | 98.2 | 99.4 | 100.2 | 98.5 | 99.0 | 98.7 | 98.2 | 100.7 | 101.4 | 100.8 | 101.3 | 101.7 |
| 1986 | 102.0 | 101.5 | 101.3 | 100.5 | 100.0 | 101.1 | 102.2 | 96.7 | 96.8 | 96.8 | 96.9 | 96.4 |
| 1987 | 95.6 | 94.7 | 94.1 | 93.6 | 93.9 | 94.3 | 94.2 | 94.6 | 94.1 | 93.9 | 93.1 | 92.2 |
| 1988 | 91.8 | 91.6 | 90.7 | 90.0 | 90.1 | 90.3 | 90.7 | 91.3 | 91.8 | 90.7 | 90.3 | 89.5 |
| 1989 | 89.9 90.5 | 89.9 91.1 | 90.5 | 90.4 90.6 | 91.1 90.5 | 91.7 90.6 | 90.9 89.6 | 90.8 89.1 | 91.2 89.6 | 90.8 88.9 | 90.6 88.9 | 90.3 89.5 |
| 1990 | 90.5 | 91.1 | 91.2 | 90.6 | 90.5 | 90.6 | 89.6 | 89.1 | 89.6 | 88.9 | 88.9 | 89.5 |
| Manmade imports: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1980 | 73.9 | 74.1 | 75.2 | 75.6 | 74.1 | 73.5 | 73.0 | 73.0 | 72.0 | 72.2 | 73.2 | 73.5 |
| 1981 | 73.3 | 74.1 | 74.0 | 74.6 | 76.1 | 76.1 | 77.1 | 78.4 | 77.4 | 78.4 | 77.8 | 78.2 |
| 1982 | 78.8 86.2 | 80.1 85.9 | 81.5 86.3 | 82.2 87.2 | 81.7 87.9 | 84.2 | 85.3 | 86.2 | 87.2 | 87.6 | 87.9 | 86.3 |
| 1984 | 92.1 | 91.5 | 90.9 | 91.0 | 91.9 | 92.9 | 93.9 | 94.1 | 95.4 | 96.1 | 97.0 | 98.2 |
| 1985 | 98.1 | 98.3 | 99.1 | 99.1 | 99.8 | 99.9 | 99.8 | 101.0 | 101.0 | 100.5 | 101.1 | 101.4 |
| 1986 | 101.4 | 99.9 | 98.9 | 98.2 | 97.5 | 97.8 | 98.9 | 98.5 | 97.2 | 96.9 | 97.6 | 97.1 |
| 1987 | 96.0 | 95.6 | 95.6 | 94.1 | 92.1 | 91.2 | 90.9 | 89.8 | 89.2 | 89.2 | 88.1 | 86.3 |
| 1988 | 85.8 | 85.2 | 84.5 | 84.0 | 83.7 | 83.6 | 83.7 | 83.5 | 83.7 | 82.9 | 81.2 | 80.6 |
| 1989 | 80.4 | 80.1 | 80.1 | 79.4 | 78.6 | 78.9 | 78.5 | 78.1 | 77.6 | 77.2 | 78.1 | 79.5 |
| 1990 | 80.8 | 81.0 | 81.5 | 81.8 | 82.2 | 83.2 | 83.1 | 83.7 | 84.1 | 84.1 | 84.8 | 85.5 |


| Appendix table 28--Estimated production of 25 micron 60 's-and-finer raw wool, selected States, 1991 |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 25-Micron-and-finer |  |  |  |  |
| State | Clip | State/USA | Total clip | Finer/ Total clip |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & (000) \\ & \text { Greasy lbs. } \end{aligned}$ | Percent | $\begin{gathered} (000) \\ \text { Greasy lbs. } \end{gathered}$ | Percent |
| Texas | 15,533 | 94.997 | 16,351 | 30.685 |
| Wyoming | 5,988 | 70.002 | 8,554 | 11.829 |
| California | 5,880 | 79.989 | 7,351 | 11.616 |
| Colorado | 3,500 | 50.000 | 7,000 | 6.914 |
| Montana | 3,325 | 49.992 | 6,651 | 6.569 |
| South Dakota | 3,300 | 60.000 | 5,500 | 6.519 |
| New Mexico | 3,188 | 84.991 | 3,751 | 6.298 |
| Utah | 2,640 | 55.000 | 4,800 | 5.215 |
| Arizona | 1,340 | 80.000 | 1,675 | 2.647 |
| Nevada | 808 | 84.963 | . 959 | 1.596 |
| Kansas | 800 | 50.000 | 1.600 | 1.580 |
| Iowa | 595 | 15.006 | 3,965 | 1.175 |
| Oklahoma | 536 | 54.974 | . 975 | 1.059 |
| Idaho | 500 | 20.000 | 2,500 | 0.988 |
| Oregon | 469 | 15.003 | 3,126 | 0.927 |
| Nebraska | 434 | 35.000 | 1,240 | 0.857 |
| North Dakota | 285 | 15.000 | 1,900 | 0.563 |
| Missouri | 236 | 24.974 | . 945 | 0.466 |
| Ohio | 188 | 9.968 | 1,886 | 0.371 |
| Pennsylvania | 138 | 15.000 | 920 | 0.273 |
| Michigan | 116 | 14.987 | 774 | 0.229 |
| Illinois | 99 | 9.990 | 991 | 0.196 |
| Virginia | 84 | 10.012 | 839 | 0.166 |
| New York | 82 | 15.046 | 545 | 0.162 |
| Washington | 73 | 8.859 | 824 | 0.144 |
| Wisconsin | 72 | 10.056 | 716 | 0.142 |
| Indiana | 63 | 10.064 | 626 | 0.124 |
| Total 27 States | 50,272 | 57.813 | 86,956 | 99.313 |
| 23 States | 348 | 8.552 | 4,069 | 0.687 |
| Total U.S. | 50,620 | 55.611 | 91,025 | 100.000 |

Source: American Sheep Industry Market Information Services.

| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Appendix table 29--Estimated production of coarser-than-25-micron 60's raw wool, } \\ & \text { selected States, } 1991 \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Coarser-than-25-micron |  |  |  |  |
| State | clip | State/USA | Total clip | Coarser/ Total clip |
|  | $\begin{gathered} (000) \\ \text { Greasy lbs. } \end{gathered}$ | Percent | $\begin{aligned} & (000) \\ & \text { Greasy lbs. } \end{aligned}$ | Percent |
| Colorado | 3,500 | 50.000 | 7,000 | 8.662 |
| I Owa | 3,370 | 84.994 | 3,965 | 8.341 |
| Montana | 3,326 | 50.008 | 6,651 | 8.232 |
| Oregon | 2,657 | 84.997 | 3,126 | 6.576 |
| Wyoming | 2,566 | 29.998 | 8,554 | 6.351 |
| South Dakota | 2,200 | 40.000 | 5,500 | 5.445 |
| Utah | 2,160 | 45.000 | 4,800 | 5.346 |
| Idaho | 2,000 | 80.000 | 2,500 | 4.950 |
| Minnesota | 1,877 | 94.990 | 1,976 | 4.645 |
| Ohio | 1,698 | 90.032 | 1,886 | 4.202 |
| North Dakota | 1,615 | 85.000 | 1,900 | 3.997 |
| California | 1,471 | 20.011 | 7,351 | 3.641 |
| Illinois | 892 | 90.010 | 991 | 2.208 |
| Texas | 818 | 5.003 | 16,351 | 2.025 |
| Nebraska | 806 | 65.000 | 1,240 | 1.995 |
| Kansas | 800 | 50.000 | 1,600 | 1.980 |
| Pennsylvania | 782 | 84.449 | . 926 | 1.935 |
| Virginia | 755 | 89.988 | 839 | 1.869 |
| Washington | 751 | 91.141 | 824 | 1.859 |
| Missouri | 709 | 75.026 | 945 | 1.755 |
| Michigan | 658 | 85.013 | 774 | 1.629 |
| Wisconsin | 644 | 89.944 | 716 | 1.594 |
| Indiana. | 563 | 89.936 | 626 | 1.393 |
| New Mexico | 563 | 15.009 | 3,751 | 1.393 |
| New York | 463 | 84.954 | - 545 | 1.146 |
| Oklahoma | 439 | 45.026 | 975 | 1.086 |
| West Virginia | 372 | 93.000 | 400 | 0.921 |
| Arizona | 335 | 20.000 | 1,675 | 0.829 |
| Kentucky | 207 | 90.000 | 230 | 0.512 |
| Maryland | 184 | 90.196 | 204 | 0.455 |
| Nevada | 143 | 15.037 | 951 | 0.354 |
| Maine | 130 | 94.891 | 137 | 0.322 |
| Massachusetts | 120 | 100.000 | 120 | 0.297 |
| Louisiana | 112 | 94.915 | 118 | 0.277 |
| Total 34 States | 39,686 | 44.024 | 90,147 | 98.221 |
| 16 States | 719 | 81.891 | 878 | 1.779 |
| Total U.S. | 40,405 | 44.389 | 91,025 | 100.000 |

Appendix table 30--World wool supply and disappearance, 1980/81-1990/91

| Year | Sheep Population | Production (greasy) | Production (clean) | Consumption (clean) | Exports (greasy) | Ending stocks (clean) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Mil. head |  |  | il. Ibs |  |  |
|  | 1,087 | 6,268 | 3,525 | 3,489 | 2,715 | 220 |
| 1981/82 | 1,105 | 6,334 | 3,563 | 3,431 | 2,624 | 269 |
| $1982 / 83$ | $1,097$ | 6,349 | 3,584 | 3,554 | 2,730 | 368. |
| $1983 / 84$ | 1,106 | 6,462 | 3,651 | 3,514 | 2,660 | 456 |
| $1984 / 85$ | 1:100 | 6,636 | 3,818 | 3,582 | 2,993 | 456 |
| $1985 / 86$ | $1,105$ | 6,618 | 3,803 | 3,766 | 2,489 | 386 |
| 1986/87 | 1,121 | 6,766 | 3,904 | 3,829 | 2,694 | 390 |
| $1987 / 88$ | 1.139 | 6,896 | 3,995 | 3,872 | 2,584 | 212 |
| 1988/89 | 1,165 | 7,097 | $4,116$ | 3,812 | 2,441 | 161 |
| $1989 / 90$ | 1,176 | $7,390$ | 4,310 | 3,321 | 2,099 | 289 |
| 1990/91 | , -- | 7,403 | 4,308 | 3, | 2,09 | 1,144 |

-- = Not available.
1/ Sheep population during April-June of the second year indicated for most countries. Consumption are calendar year for the second year indicated for most countries. Stocks are for countries that are major producers and exporters.
Source: International Commonweal th Secratariat.


Appendix table 32--World wool trade by major importing and exporting countries

|  | 1983/84 | 1984/85 | 1985/86 | 1986/87 | 1987/88 | 1988/89 | 1989/90 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Million pounds, greasy |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Wool exports: Australia | 1,209 | 1,389 | 1,540 | 1,724 | 1,696 | 1,591 | 1,336 |
| New Zealand | . 672 | , 700 | . 620 | . 662 | . 607 | , 606 | . 464 |
| Argentina | 157 | 132 | 153 | 132 | 133 | 95 | 112 |
| South Africa | 142 | 129 | 99 | 82 | 76 | 90 | 102 |
| Uruguay | 60 | 54 | 77 | 94 | 72 | 59 | 85 |
| World | 2,660 | 2,991 | 3,057 | 3,241 | 3,073 | 2,818 | 2,099 |
| Wool imports: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Japan | 406 282 | 406 | 390 | 451 | 385 396 | 381 | 315 |
| France | 197 | 241 | 254 | 295 | 252 | 278 | 219 |
| USSR | 123 | 250 | 336 | 295 | 252 | 283 | 129 |
| United Kingdom | 260 | 283 | 261 | 306 | 282 | 242 | 195 |
| Italy | 233 | 265 | 241 | 269 | 251 | 240 | 263 |
| West Germany | 165 | 170 | 128 | 176 | 167 | 165 | 149 |
| United States | 92 | 77 | 122 | 105 | 197 | 107 | 72 |
| Taiwan | 79 | 89 | 110 | 114 | 78 | 99 | 69 |
| South Korea | 61 | 69 | 84 | 99 | 83 | 76 | 68 |
| World | 2,520 | 2,780 | 2,919 | 3,118 | 2,953 | 2,763 | 2,167 |


| Year | Australia |  |  | New Zealand |  |  | South Africa |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Auction sales | Purchased by AWC | AWC Ending stocks | Auction sales | Purchased by NZWB | NZWB Ending stocks | Auction sales | Purchased by SAWB | SAWB Ending stocks |
|  | 1,000 bales | Percent | -1,000 | es--- | Percent | -1, |  | Percent | 1,000 bales |
| 1980/81 | 3,637 | 5.1 | 271 | 1,783 | 17.7 | 344 | 693 | 11 | -- |
|  | 3,703 |  | 508 | 1.753 | 11.1 | 422 | 706 | 17 | $\cdots$ |
| 1982/83 | 3,654 | 24.2 | + 867 | 1.735 | 3.6 | 286 | 729 685 | 40 | 121 |
| 1983/84 | 3,742 | 23.1 17.3 | 1,144 | 1.736 | 0.8 | 93 39 | 685 | 11 | 121 |
| 1985/86 | 4,022 | 9.6 | 895 | 1,633 | 13.4 | 124 | 627 | 1 | 18 |
| 1986/87 | 4,134 |  | 346 | 1,472 | 7.2 | 31 | 578 | 2 | 12 |
| 1987/88 | 4,286 | 0.8 | 8 | 1,560 | 11.1 | 94 | 592 | 1 | 17 |
| 1988/89 | 4,601 | 5.2 | 189 | 1,406 | 12.0 | 100 | 618 | 6 | 60 |
| 1989/90 | 5,716 | 52.0 | 3,037 | 1,307 | 40.6 | 490 | 661 | 30 | 242 |

-- = No data available.
Source: International Commonwealth Secratariat.


Appendix table 35--World textile fiber production

| Year | Rayon and acetate | Noncellulosic fibers | Cotton | Hool (clean) | silk | Flax | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Hemp } \\ & \text { (soft) } \end{aligned}$ | Total fibers |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Million pounds |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1980 | 7,147 | 23,095 | 31,193 | 3,525 | 123 | 1,389 | 569 | 67,041 |
| 1981 | 7,064 | 23,869 | 34,171 | 3,563 | 126 | 1,347 | 492 | 70,632 |
| 1982 | 6,493 | 22,368 | 32,747 | 3,584 | 121 | 1.437 | 459 | 67,209 |
| 1983 | 6,457 | 24,418 | 31,671 | 3, 351 | 121 | 1,733 | 406 | 88,457 |
| 1985 | 6,462 | 27,533 | 38,764 | 3,825 | 150 | 1,642 | 481 | 81,857 |
| 1986 | 6,303 | 28,530 | 34,048 | 3,915 | 152 | 1.605 | 485 | 75,038 |
| 1987 | 6,285 | 30,300 | 38,997 | 4,008 | 161 | 2,108 | 474 | 82,333 |
| 1988 | 6,365 | 31,665 | 40,640 | 4.131 | 163 | 1.684 | 465 | 85,093 |
| 1990 1/ | 6,336 | 32,445 | 41,671 | 4,339 | 163 | 1,695 | 478 | 83,820 |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { = Not } \\ & \text { 1/ Fore } \end{aligned}$ | vaitable. ast. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Appendix table 36--Raw cotton equivalent of U.S. imports for consumption of cotton-containing textile manufactures, 1989-91 1/

| Yarn, thread, and fabric |  |  |  |  |  |  | Apparel |  |  |  |  |  | House furnishings |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Year month | Yarn, <br> thread, <br> cordage, and rope | Broadwoven 100\% | Broadwoven blends blends | Knit fabric | Narrow, industrial and misc. fabric | Total | rops | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Bot- } \\ & \text { toms } \end{aligned}$ | Suits and coats | Sweat ers | Other apparel | Total | Blankets | Bedsheets pillowcases etc. | Tablecloths, placemats, napkins, etc. | Bathroom and kitchen toweling | Curtains, drapes. etc. | Bedspreads, quilts, and misc. | Total |
| 1,000 lbs. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1989: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan | 8,353 | 44,521 | 8,802 | 1.224 | 2,213 | 65,113 | 49,685 | 36,947 | 7,723 | 6,104 | 13.472 | 113,930 | 479 | 1,737 | 1,618 | 7.730 | 304 | 8859 | 12,727 |
| Mar | 7,903 | 32,429 | 7,822 | 1. 136 | 2,119 | 51,411 | 46,394 | 38,690 | 4,496 | 2,610 | 9,253 | 101,043 | 784 | 2, 203 | 1,070 | 8,185 | 189 | 517 | 12,948 |
| Apr May | 6,763 | 30,359 30,165 | 9,339 | 1, 1.339 | 1,765 2.168 | 49,565 50 | 38,378 47.383 | 32,086 | 3,788 | 3,182 | 7,656 | 85, 091 | 287 | 2,067 | , 1.153 | 6,110 | 316 629 | 890 562 | 10,823 |
| May | 8,514 | 36, 261 | 10,.344 | 1.412 | 2, 309 | 58,839 | 55,724 | 49,220 | 10,603 | 6,804 | 10,001 | 132,353 | 239 | 3,126 | 1,482 | 5,749 | 356 | 2,755 | 13,706 |
| Jul | 7.413 | 35,216 | 11,704 | 1,297 | 2,135 | 57,765 | 62,984 | 54,827 | 14,495 | 8,091 | 9,940 | 150,338 | 278 | 4,301 | 1.470 | 7,908 | 260 | 1,261 | 15,479 |
| Aug Sep | 6,617 | 38,638 | 13,874 | 1,604 | 2, 1.661 | 64,391 | 65,195 | 52,903 | 116,977 | 7,576 | 7,901 | 152,448 | 1438 | S,522 | 1,898 | 7,845 | 489 | 1,262 | 19,430 |
| Oct | 11,445 | 47,731 | 13,093 | 1.442 | 1,928 | 75,639 | 62, 125 | 48,829 | 10,310 | 9,781 | 7,658 | 138,703 | 509 | 4,815 | 1,711 | 11,591 | 474 | '961 | 20,060 |
| Nov | 8,624 | 38,441 32,653 | 11,475 10,376 | 1,223 | 1,995 | 61,775 52,109 | 52,014 | 42,070 | 8,382 | 7,909 | 70.964 | 118,039 | 331 167 | 4,615 2,401 | 842 658 | 10,251 | 310 299 | 723 767 | 17,073 14,188 |
| Total | 93,952 | 436,103 | 123,130 | 15,796 | 24,414 | 693,395 | 628,076 | 515,710 | 108,078 | 71,770 | 110,852 | 1,434,485 | 4,171 | 39,411 | 16,261 | 100,621 | 4,125 | 12,372 | 176,962 |
| 1990: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan | 7.431 | 47.386 | 13,006 | 1.474 | 1,776 | 71,073 | 66.425 | 48,717 | 9,140 | 4.914 | 12,437 | 141.633 | 115 | 3,427 | 827 | 13,947 | 214 | ${ }^{647}$ | 77 |
| Mar | 6,253 | 27,486 | 8,076 | 1.162 | 1,769 | 44,737 | 53,979 | 46,033 | 3,814 | 1,444 | 10,323 | 115,593 | 412 | 2,258 | 1,535 | 10,336 | 404 | 1,504 | 16:448 |
| Apr | 5,684 | 26,239 | 9,275 | 1,328 | 1,875 | 44,401 | 50,544 | 37:672 | 4,158 | 2,327 | 8,597 | 103,298 | 525 | 2,403 | 1,591 | 9,837 | 306 | , 994 | 15,655 |
| May | 5,612 | 35,032 | 10,903 | 1,538 | 1,987 | 55,073 | 53,470 | 43, 139 | 8,305 | 4,437 | 8,949 | 118,299 | 175 | 1.886 | 1,691 | 9,398 | 300 | 1,072 | 14.522 |
| Jun | 6,012 | 31,085 | 9.003 | 1.521 | 2.150 | 49,983 | 60,930 | 51,828 | 13,787 | 6,402 | 9,024 | 141,971 | 287 | 3,177 | 1.433 | 87,187 | 243 | 993 | 14,320 |
| Aug | 6,780 | 42,434 | 10,658 | 1,605 | 1,613 | 63,091 | 71,348 | 44,784 | 16,202 | 8,526 | 8,543 | 149,404 | 412 | 5,594 | 2,071 | 9,640 | 356 | 1.137 | 19,210 |
| Sep | \%, 4.45 | 35,236 | 10,404 | 1,866 | 1.847 | 53,260 | 54,534 63 | 34,401 38.691 | 10,360 | 11,388 | 88.199 | 114,484 | 396 247 | 4.791 | 1.668 | 7.672 | 341 | 1 822 | 15,690 |
| Nov | 4,653 | 38,467 | 9,214 | 1,438 | 1,857 | 55,629 | 49,267 | 34,163 | 8,173 | 7,970 | 8,337 | 107,910 | 203 | 3,539 | 1,230 | 8,928 | 227 | 1,547 | 14,674 |
| Dec | 5,219 | 39,495 | 8,399 | 1,132 | 1,664 | 55,909 | 43,843 | 32,129 | 5,583 | 3,688 | 7,728 | 92,971 | 301 | 2,939 | ${ }^{2} 845$ | 8,407 | 166 | 433 | 13,092 |
| rotal | 73,040 | 438,834 | 117,277 | 17,203 | 21,834 | 668,189 | 698,647 | 520,016 | 110,071 | 68,620 | 109,565 | 1,506,919 | 3,849 | 43,815 | 17,106 | 115,499 | 3,503 | 11,293 | 195,066 |
| 1991: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Feb | 3,358 | 35,315 | 7,493 | 1,310 | 1,510 | 48,986 | 58,100 | 40,383 | 5,537 | 2,120 | 11,507 | 117,647 | 297 | 2,396 | 1,468 | 11,252 | 302 | 1,387 | 17,101 |
| Mar | 4,151 | 34,214 | 8,047 | 1,206 | 1,805 | 49,423 | 52,336 | 35,068 | 3,199 | 1,457 | 10,023 | 102,083 | 392 | 2,695 | 1,196 | 8,218 | 201 | 960 | 13,661 |

Appendix table 37--Raw (inen equivalent of U.S. inyports for consumption of linen-containing textile manufactures, 1989-91 1/

|  |  | Yarn, threa | and fa | bric |  |  |  |  | ppare! |  |  |  |  | Hous | furnishin |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Year and month | Yarn, thread, cordage, and rope | Broad- Woven (inc. pile) fabric | Knit <br> fabric | Narrow industria and misc. fabric | Total | Tops | Bot toms | Suits and coats | Sweaters | Other apparel | Total | Blankets |  | Tablecloths, placemats napkins, etc. | Bathroom and kitchen toweling | Curtains, drapes, etc. | Bedspreads, quilts, and misc. | Total |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1,000 lbs |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1989: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan | 18,431 | 13,306 | -- | 293 | 32,030 | 1,356 | 3,519 | 1,186 | 8,788 | 103 | 14,952 | 0 | $\frac{2}{3}$ | 22 | 48 | 16 | 26 | 115 |
| Feb | 25,384 | 12,639 | -- | 286 | 38,310 62,914 | 1,334 | 5,036 | 1,275 | 6,891 | 256 | 14,632 9 |  | 3 | 48 | 53 50 | 80 | 11 19 | 159 189 |
| Apr | 22,971 | 12,734 | .. | 182 | 35,887 | 1,129 | 2,445 | 489 | 5,073 | 135 | 9,271 | 0 | 1 | 60 | 26 | 59 | 71 | 217 |
| May | 16,995 | 14, 11,369 | -: | 222 | 31,686 22,543 | 1.982 | 2,320 | 491 | 10,519 12,654 | 50 140 | 14,362 | - | 1 | 27 16 | 26 10 | 63 88 | 33 76 | 149 |
| Jul | 8,944 | 9,702 | 0 | 228 | 18,424 | 1,657 | 1,859 | 524 | 14,709 | 131 | 18,879 | -- | 1 | 21 | 8 | 49 | 74 | 153 |
| Aug | 8,171 | 20,448 | 0 | 343 | 28,962 | 1,794 | 1,817 | 566 | 13,952 | 189 | 18,317 | 0 | 1 | 26 | 8 | 46 | 59 | 140 |
| Sep | 7.168 | 19,542 | ${ }_{0}$ | 288 341 | 19,8681 | 1,948 | 2,021 | 543 | 12,063 | 181 | 15,7589 | 0 | 1 | 26 23 | 12 | 76 | 17 | 152 |
| Nov | 8,711 | 12,947 | 0 | 286 | 21,944 | 1,662 | 2,260 | 539 | 11.032 | 137 | 15,630 | 0 | 1 | 27 | 18 | 29 | 33 | 107 |
| Dec | 34,624 | 14,005 | 0 | 186 | 48,815 | 1,276 | 2,513 | 856 | 4,599 | 83 | 9,327 | 0 | 1 | 14 | 10 | 2 | 66 | 93 |
| Total | 209,101 | 175,492 | 1 | 3,441 | 388,036 | 17,591 | 30,836 | 8,312 | 120,589 | 1,629 | 178,957 | 1 | 13 | 323 | 273 | 674 | 515 | 1,799 |
| 1990: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ${ }_{\text {Jan }}$ | 13,697 | 24,235 13,703 | 19 | 381 | 68,512 30,591 | 2,039 | 3,888 | 1,434 | 5,617 | 111 | 13,089 9,523 | 0 | ${ }_{1}^{2}$ | 24 36 | 6 | 1 | 15 | 72 |
| Mar | 31,818 | 22,722 | 1 | 270 | 54,811 | 1.535 | 2,933 | 726 | 1,956 | 76 | 7,226 | 0 | 1 | 23 | 6 | 10 | 45 | 84 |
| Apr May | 32,164 | 13, 170 | 1 | 489 | 45,880 | 1,223 | 2,319 | 455 | 3,559 | 46 | 11,855 | -- | 1 | 11 | 8 | 4 | 63 83 | 111 |
| jun | 10,595 | 16,'182 | 0 | 294 | 27,071 | 1,440 | 2,133 | 502 | 11,842 | 116 | 16,033 | 0 | 1 | 16 | 20 | 3 | 17 | 55 |
| Jul | 7.287 | 14,855 | 0 | 225 | 22,357 | 1,975 | 1,932 | 735 | 14.425 | 234 | 19,301 | 0 | 0 | 14 | 56 | 4 | 92 | 166 |
| Aug | 6,938 | 17.885 | 1 | 483 | 21,789 | 2,044 | 1,589 | 612 | 13,607 | 191 132 1 | 18,141 | 0 | 1 | 36 38 | 10 | 2 | 121 | 170 |
| Oct | 16,452 | 12,085 | 0 | 346 | 28,884 | 1,777 | 1.887 | 733 | 19,744 | 228 | 24,369 | 0 | 1 | 39 | 56 | 3 | 71 | 171 |
| Nov | 12,744 | 9,926 | 1 | 241 | 22,962 | 1:383 | 2,338 | 762 | 13,645 | 143 | 18,271 | 0 | 0 | 64 | 14 | 5 | 95 | 179 |
| Dec | 18,934 | 23,090 | 0 | 336 | 42,360 | 1,342 | 2,636 | 849 | 4,531 | 109 | 9,466 | 0 | 1 | 42 | 7 | 1 | 137 | 187 |
| Total | 212,051 | 191,626 | 24 | 4,377 | 408,078 | 19,149 | 28,650 | 8,972 | 112,039 | 1,557 | 170,367 | 1 | 9 | 358 | 202 | 38 | 904 | 1,512 |
| 1991: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan | 29,700 34,536 | 17,805 | 0 | 377 140 | 47.883 48.403 | 2.157 1.687 | 4.801 | 1.663 | 3,459 | 82 104 | 12.162 | 0 | 1 | 43 | 48 | 0 | 169 | 216 |
| Meb Mar | 17,259 | 14,688 | 0 | 236 | 48,403 | 1,687 | 2,220 | 1,560 | 1,761 | 104 | 10,332 | 0 | ? | 72 24 | 18 | $\frac{1}{3}$ | 197 | 190 |
| ... = An absence of trade. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $0=$ Levels of trade less than $1,000 \mathrm{lbs}$.$1 / \mathrm{Revised}$ preliminary. Totals may not add due to rounding. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Source: Bureau of the Census. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\because \quad$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Appendix table 38--Raw wool equivalent of U.S. imports for consumption of wool-containing textile manufactures, 1989-91 $1 /$


|  |  | Yarn, thread | and fab | abric |  |  |  |  | Apparel |  |  |  |  | House f | urnishing |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Year and month | Yarn, thread, cordage and rope | Broadwoven (inc. pile) fabric |  | Narrow, ndustrial. and misc. fabric | Total | Tops | Bottoms | Suits and coats | Sweaters | Other apparel | Total | Blankets | Bedsheets. pillowcases, etc. | Tablecloths, placemats, napkins, etc. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Bath- } \\ & \text { room } \\ & \text { and } \\ & \text { kitchen } \\ & \text { toweling } \end{aligned}$ | Curtains, drapes, etc. | Bedspreads, quilts, and misc. | Total |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1,000 | 0 lbs. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1989: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan | 79 | 582 | -- | 34 | 695 | 1,949 | 1.278 | 1.081 | 1.554 | 452 | 6,314 |  | 0 | 52 | 1 | 2 | 10 | 64 |
| Feb Mar | 134 75 | 560 <br> 583 <br> 58 | $\because$ | 60 25 | 754 683 | 1,853 | 1,177 | 1,032 | 8,533 | 4666 | 13,457 4,779 | 169 | 0 | 21 28 | 3 | 11 | 8 | 43 |
| Apr | 79 | 551 | -- | 22 | 651 | 1,460 | ,978 | 768 | 815 | 399 | 4,420 | 0 | 0 | 37 | 2 | 6 | 27 | 217 |
| May | 102 | 531 | $\because$ | 19 | $0{ }^{5} 5$ | 1.434 | 834 | 705 | 1,851 | 555 | 5,379 | 0 | 2 | 64 | 0 | 7 | 17 | 90 |
| Jun | $\begin{array}{r}75 \\ \hline 9\end{array}$ | 610 696 | -- | 24 30 | 709 820 | 1,462 | 592 | 723 | 2,286 | 958 <br> 634 | 6,020 | 0 | 0 | 37 57 | 0 | 7 | 9 | 54 |
| Aug | 57 | 739 | -- | 31 | 8827 | 1,527 | 619 | 743 | 3,234 | 634 577 | 6,100 | 0 | 1 | 45 | 0 | 2 | 11 | 81 62 |
| Sep | 44 | 634 | -: | 26 33 | 703 | 1, 324 | 568 | 713 | 2,850 | 480 | 5,934 | 0 | 1 | 17 | 0 | 7 | 19 | 42 |
| Oct | 52 <br> 53 | 647 670 | $\because$ | 33 19 | 731 | 1,515 | 944 | 820 890 | 3,504 1,954 | 560 | 7.444 | 0 | 0 | 12 | 0 | 3 | 15 | 31 |
| Dec | 37 | 498 | -. | 33 | 568 | 1,221 | 1,012 | 770 | ${ }^{1} 767$ | 493 | 4,263 | 0 | 0 | 12 | 0 | 0 | 10 | 25 23 |
| Total | 882 | 7,299 | -- | 354 | 8,535 | 18,182 | 10,843 | 9,940 | 30,969 | 6,751 | 76,684 | 170 | 7 | 394 | 7 | 61 | 162 | 801 |
| 1990: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan Feb | 73 22 | 559 397 | 0 | 19 | 651 439 | 2,009 | 1,543 | 1.106 | 963 588 | 690 | 6,311 4,835 | 1 | 0 | 10 28 | 0 | 0 | 16 | 28 |
| Mar | 22 | 440 | 0 | 20 | 481 | 1,333 | 1, 265 | 918 | 305 | 454 | 4,276 | - | 0 | 28 | 0 | 1 | 5 | 33 32 |
| Apr | 29 | 439 | 0 | 21 | 489 | 1.444 | 1,014 | 603 599 | + 550 | 409 | 4,019 | 8 | 0 | 18 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 22 |
| May | 16 | 483 | 0 | 28 | 524 | 1.459 | 691 | 569 | 1.335 | 480 | 4,564 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 48 | 52 |
| jul | 12 | 578 | 0 | 27 | 617 | 1,566 | 711 | 971 | 2,583 | 460 | 6,172 | 0 | 0 | 9 | 0 | 0 | 17 | 30 |
| Aug Sep | 22 | 636 | 0 | 17 | 675 | 1. 674 | 791 | 977 | 2,979 | 426 | 6.846 | 0 | 1 | 27 | 1 | 0 | 6 | 35 |
| Sep | 26 | 833 | 0 | 25 | 8885 | 1,984 | 605 900 | 1,046 | 4,049 | 589 | 6,388 | 0 | 1 | 135 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 539 |
| Nov | 13 | 651 | 0 | 21 | 684 | 1,742 | 1.035 | . 978 | 2,221 | 655 | 6,630 | 0 | 0 | 124 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 139 |
| Dec | 17 | 575 | 0 | 14 | 606 | 1:419 | 1.134 | 882 | . 749 | 477 | 4,662 | 1 | 0 | 251 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 256 |
| Total | 282 | 6,634 | 1 | 262 | 7,179 | 18,807 | 11,876 | 10,504 | 21,107 | 6,268 | 68,563 | 8 | 3 | 684 | 4 | 3 | 133 | 836 |
| 1991: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Jon } \\ & \text { Feb } \end{aligned}$ | 12 <br> 23 | 523 <br> 427 | 0 | $\begin{array}{r}34 \\ 25 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | 569 475 | 2,125 | 1,917 | 1,287 | 554 437 | $\begin{aligned} & 653 \\ & 576 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 6,536 \\ & 5.701 \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  | 0 | 0 |  |  |
| Mar | 22 | 392 | 0 | 25 | 439 | 1,433 | 1,324 | 1,153 | 288 | $\begin{aligned} & 576 \\ & 461 \end{aligned}$ | 4,660 | 0 | 0 | 123 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 129 |

Appendix table 40--Raw marmade fiber equivalent of U.S. imports for consumption of manmade fiber-containing textile manufactures, $1989-91$ 1/


Appendix table 41--Raw cotton equivalent of U.S. exports of cot ton- containing textile manufactures, 1989-91 1/

|  |  | Yarn, | read, and | fobric |  |  |  |  |  | pars |  |  |  |  | House f | urnishings |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Year and month | Yarn. thread, cordage, and rope | Broad fabric 100\% | Groadwoven blends $\qquad$ | Knit fabric | Narrow. industria and misc. <br> c fabric | Total | Tops | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Bot- } \\ & \text { toms } \end{aligned}$ | Suits and coats | Sweat ers | Other apparel | Total | Blan- kets | Bedsheets, pillowcases etc. | Tablecloths placemats. napkins, etc. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Bath- } \\ & \text { romm } \\ & \text { and } \\ & \text { kitchen } \\ & \text { toveling } \end{aligned}$ | Curtains drapes etc. | Bedspreads, quilts, and misc. | Total |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1,000 | lbs. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1989: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ${ }_{\text {dan }}$ | 2,631 | 3,902 | 4, 7374 | 1,162 | 4.243 | 16,371 18,640 | 4,234 6,923 | 5.259 | 685 653 | 120 | 1,864 | 12.162 | 69 | 449 | 18 | 191 | 12 | 238 | 978 |
| Mar | 3:016 | 5,011 | - 5 , 906 | 2,281 | 4,948 | 18,6402 | \%,949 | 8.003 | 767 | 96 | 2.533 | 18,847 | 55 | 708 | 34 | 498 | 3 | 185 | 1.440 |
| ${ }^{\text {Apr }}$ | 1,561 | 4,656 | 5,774 | 2,366 | 5,096 | 20, 053 | 6,469 | 6,158 | 577 | 131 | 2.954 | 16,289 | 49 | 625 | 25 | 516 | 78 | 253 | 1:539 |
| May | 2,439 | 4,015 | 5,443 | 2,321 | 5,559 | 19,778 | 8.511 | 5,988 | 772 885 | 251 | 2,848 | 17.178 | 37 59 | 729 | 107 | 711 | 42 | 193 149 | 1.820 |
| jul | 2,324 | 3;979 | 4,332 | 1, 130 | 5;977 | 17,732 | 8,392 | 6;378 | 770 | 133 | 2.127 | 15:800 | 31 | 680 | 45 | 889 | 5 | 421 | 2:047 |
| Aug | 3,582 | 4,567 | 5.798 | 1.314 | 6,271 | 21,531 | 7.491 | 7.426 | 856 | 257 | 2,437 | 18,468 | 31 | 1,075 | 49 | 803 | 92 | 194 | 2,245 |
| Sep | 2.856 | 3,758 | 5,268 | 1.727 | 5,285 | 18,893 | 7,400 | 7, 146 | 782 | 178 | 2,547 | 18,554 | 48 | 793 | 54 | 751 | 58 | 209 | 1.913 |
| Oct Nov | 4,001 | 3,924 | 6:153 | 1, 267 | 5.450 | 21,908 | 7,232 | 6,426 | 813 | 193 | 2, 250 | 19,113 | 47 5 | 988 | 41 | 86 | 14 | 112 | 2,031 |
| Dec | 3,337 | 4,320 | 5,787 | 1:192 | 6,335 | 20,973 | 7,244 | 6,934 | 791 | 295 | 2,371 | 17:635 | 35 | 585 | 48 | 743 | 39 | 102 | 1,552 |
| Total | 35.019 | 51,395 | 64,189 | 19,983 | 66,804 | 237.390 | 85,200 | 82,582 | 9,332 | 1,911 | 30,212 | 209,237 | 553 | 9,042 | 532 | 7.575 | 583 | 2,301 | 20,586 |
| 1990: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan | 3,283 | 5,497 | 8,431 | 2,497 2,190 | 5,049 | 24,748 25,518 | 7,703 | 6,374 | 794 833 | 113 350 | 2.672 | 17.656 | 60 59 | 851 | 45 | 982 | 33 | 132 | 2.102 |
| Mar | 4,053 | 6,212 | 9,518 | 3,175 | 5,738 | 28,695 | 9,746 | 9,360 | 1,076 | 162 | 2,831 | 23,175 | 65 | 1,097 | 32 | 1,435 | 63 80 | 144 | 2,921 |
| Apr | 4,408 | 5,735 | 8,191 | 2,425 | 5,029 | 25,788 | 8,828 | 8,439 | . 940 | 247 | 2,614 | 21,068 | 1,238 | 1,423 | 44 | -909 | 93 | 141 | 3,848 |
| May | 4.987 | 6,030 | 8,282 | 2,790 | 5,476 | 27,565 | 9,318 | 8,432 | 1.017 | 244 | 2,899 | 21,910 | 1.250 | 1,274 | 47 | 1,334 | 73 | 141 | 4.120 |
| jun | 3,162 | 5,408 | 7,960 | 2, 287 | 6,530 | 28,368 | 9,514 | 9,374 | 1.999 | 198 | 2, 209 | 23,431 | ${ }_{235} 8$ | 1.851 | 87 | 1,066 | 54 | 136 | 3.339 |
| Aug | 3,994 | 5,553 | 8,212 | 3,110 | 5; 718 | 26,587 | 9,577 | 8,086 | 1.251 | 150 | 3,123 | 22,187 | 297 | 887 | 52 | 885 | 40 | 173 | 2,294 |
| Sep | 3,933 | 5,053 | 8.619 | 3,609 | 5,276 | 26,489 | 88.872 | 9,234 | 1.280 | 174 | 3.027 | 22,586 | 217 | 812 | 51 | 885 | 79 | 152 | 2,196 |
| Oct Nov | 5:948 | 6,555 | 8,390 | 3,963 | 5:047 | 30,092 | 10,005 | 10,996 | 1.189 | 168 145 | 3,340 2,046 | 26,493 | 324 | 1.451 1.488 | 57 45 | 1,255 | 75 | 179 | 3,042 |
| Dec | 5;561 | 6,562 | 8, 831 | 2,573 | 6,005 | 29,532 | 8,878 | 8,614 | 1,177 | 152 | 2,718 | 21,539 | 202 | 1,165 | 31 | 823 | 73 | 105 | 2,395 |
| Total | 52,390 | 69,318 | 102,940 | 34,351 | 67,365 | 326,364 | 109.650 | 105,768 | ,13,204 | 2,488 | 34,080 | 265,190 | 5,218 | 13,024 | 550 | 11,969 | 829 | 1,677 | 33,267 |
| 1991: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Feb | 4,940 | 5,369 | 8,558 | 2,819 | 5;420 | 27,098 | 9,715 | 9,496 | $1: 042$ | 125 | 1.976 | 22,355 | 242 | 1,076 | 42 | 795 | 62 98 | 121 | 2.294 |
| Mar | 6.146 | 5:488 | 9,206 | 3,605 | 5,543 | 29,989 | 11,214 | 9:443 | 1,226 | 109 | 2,494 | 24,487 | 461 | 1,301 | 29 | 1,061 | 41 | 119 | 3:013 |



Appendix table 43-Raw wool equivalent of U.S. exports of wool-containing textile manufactures, 1989-91 1/




[^5]Source: Bureau of the Census.

Appendix table 45--Raw manmade fiber equivatent of U.S. exports of manmade fiber-containing textile manufactures, 1989-91 1/

\begin{tabular}{|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|}
\hline \multicolumn{7}{|c|}{Yarn, thread, and fabric} \& \multicolumn{6}{|c|}{Apparel} \& \multicolumn{7}{|c|}{House furnishings} \\
\hline Year and month \& Yarn, thread cordage, and rope \& Broadwoven fabric
\(100 \%\)
\(\qquad\) \& \begin{tabular}{l}
Broad- \\
Woven \\
blends \\
....-.
\end{tabular} \& Knit fabric \& Narrow. industrial, and misc. fabric \& Tota! \& Tops \& Bottoms \& Suits coats \& Sweaters \& Other appare \& Total \& \[
\begin{aligned}
\& \text { Blan- } \\
\& \text { kets }
\end{aligned}
\] \& Bedsheets, pillowcases, etc. \& Tablecloths, placembts napkins, etc. \& Bathroom and kitchen toweling \& Curtains drapes، etc. \& Bedspreads. quilts. and misc \& Total \\
\hline \multicolumn{20}{|c|}{1,000 lbs.} \\
\hline 1989: \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \\
\hline \({ }_{\substack{\text { Jan } \\ \text { Feb }}}\) \& 35,986
35.156 \& 7,239
10,675 \& 2,931 \& 1,662 \& 13,466 \& 56,283 \& 4,242 \& 1,649 \& 1,240 \& 63 \& 1,942 \& 9,135 \& 70
107 \& 274 \& \(\frac{29}{34}\) \& 45 \& 46
80 \& \begin{tabular}{l}
135 \\
187 \\
\hline 185
\end{tabular} \& 598
1.026 \\
\hline Mar \& 36,776 \& 12,795 \& 3,548 \& 2,085 \& 13,252 \& 68,456 \& 6,720 \& 2,202 \& 1'518 \& 92 \& 2, 851 \& 13,382 \& 66 \& 409 \& 30 \& 119 \& 60 \& 135 \& 8 \\
\hline Apr
May \& 41,462 \& 10,327
9,857 \& 3,469 \& 1,950 \& 14,135
14,844 \& 71,342
62,555 \& 6,111
7.379 \& 2,577 \& 1,318 \& 174 \& 3,389
2.723 \& 13,569
13,500 \& 77
55 \& 423
517 \& 37
65 \& 104 \& 92
81 \& 242
157 \& 975
988 \\
\hline Jun \& 30,998 \& 11,050 \& 3,559 \& 3,003 \& 14,748 \& 63,358 \& 7:040 \& 2,957 \& :,633 \& 240 \& 2.859 \& 14,729 \& 130 \& 556 \& 43 \& 95 \& 136 \& 138 \& 1.097 \\
\hline Jut \& 33,408 \& 8.854 \& 2, \({ }^{2} 984\) \& 2,126 \& 12.797 \& 60, 161 \& 5.378 \& 2.143 \& 1.534 \& 73 \& 2.478 \& 11,606 \& 67 \& 572 \& 61 \& 148 \& 131

138 \& 394 \& 1,372 <br>
\hline Aug \& 32,700 \& 10,257 \& 4,414 \& 1,989 \& 11,701 \& 62,662 \& 6,783 \& 2,558 \& 1,841 \& 191 \& 2,784 \& 14:016 \& 181 \& 528 \& 59 \& 124 \& 138
85 \& 1719 \& :,245 <br>
\hline Oct \& 34,591 \& 10,565 \& 4.154 \& 2.506 \& 17,084 \& 68,901 \& 6.449 \& 1,989 \& 1,658 \& 83 \& 3,025 \& 13,203 \& 157 \& 575 \& 44 \& 181 \& 167 \& 118 \& 1'240 <br>
\hline Hov \& 33,387
31,523 \& 9,484
8,308 \& 3,739 \& 1,395 \& 14,161 \& 62,146
59 \& 5,642 \& 1,723 \& 1,791 \& 103 \& 2,430 \& 11,689 \& 87
130 \& 493
416 \& 25
30 \& 1160 \& 147 \& 1388 \& 1,059 <br>
\hline rotal \& 405,442 \& 118,857 \& 41,977 \& 25,388 \& 164,660 \& 756,324 \& 73,710 \& 27,058 \& 18,545 \& 1,598 \& 31,837 \& 152,748 \& 1,209 \& 5,822 \& 529 \& 1,437 \& 1,294 \& 2,171 \& 12,462 <br>
\hline 1990: \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& <br>

\hline Jan \& 38,8197 \& 11,278 \& 5,240 \& | 2,487 |
| :--- |
| 2,644 | \& 16,702

17,320 \& 74,581 \& 5,437 \& 1,722 \& 1,309 \& 415 \& 2,609 \& 11,193 \& 89 \& | 658 |
| :--- |
| 530 | \& 63

63 \& 129 \& 177 \& 215 \& 1.332 <br>
\hline Mar \& 42,537
41,382 \& 12,885 \& 6,223 \& 2,999 \& 18, 132 \& 82,776 \& 7.230 \& 2,539 \& 1,700 \& 136 \& 3.090 \& 14.685 \& 110 \& 700 \& 54 \& 190 \& 147 \& 154 \& 1,351 <br>
\hline Apr
May \& 41, 4850 \& 11,875 \& 5,884 \& 3, 3,228 \& 20,912 \& 90.240 \& 7,243 \& 2,955 \& 1,570 \& 217 \& 2,922 \& 13,978 \& 3;043 \& 818 \& 132 \& 185 \& 162 \& 131 \& 4,770 <br>
\hline Jun \& 41,915 \& 11,983 \& 5:514 \& 3,600 \& 20,468 \& $83^{480}$ \& 7.093 \& 3,049 \& 1,727 \& 509 \& 3.022 \& 15,401 \& 1.752 \& 596 \& 78 \& \$35 \& 145 \& 110 \& 2,815 <br>
\hline jul \& 31,139 \& 10.595 \& 4.655 \& 3, 3 , 46 \& 14,927
1655 \& 83, 7837 \& \% 7.110 \& 1.725 \& 1.962 \& 195 \& 3.090 \& 13,082 \& 528 \& 460 \& 47 \& 151 \& 153 \& 143 \& , P , 836 <br>
\hline Aug \& 41,287 \& 9,998 \& 5:045 \& 3.184 \& 15,250 \& 74,763 \& 6,077 \& 2.950 \& 2,019 \& 175 \& 3,438 \& 13,899 \& 558 \& 640 \& 61 \& 124 \& 134 \& 192 \& 1,520 <br>
\hline Oct \& 44,412 \& 11,288 \& 5.405 \& 4,036 \& 16,986 \& 82, 126 \& 7,393 \& 2, 363 \& 2,341 \& 153 \& 3,871 \& 16,120 \& 877 \& 738 \& 105 \& 155 \& 219 \& 14.4 \& 2,238 <br>
\hline Nor \& 45,046 \& 12,789
9,917 \& 5,126 \& 3,141 \& 16,664 \& 82,766 \& 5,486 \& 2,404 \& 2,370 \& 125 \& 1,869 \& 14,485 \& 786
573 \& 907
680 \& 68
43 \& 122 \& 143
129 \& 130
80 \& 2,156
1,652 <br>
\hline Total \& 497,571 \& 133,554 \& 64,116 \& 37,634 \& 205,596 \& 938,472 \& 77,380 \& 25,899 \& 22,507 \& 2,607 \& 35,704 \& 164,097 \& 12,421 \& 7,944 \& 854 \& 1,712 \& 1,857 \& 1,735 \& 26,522 <br>
\hline 1991: \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& <br>
\hline Feb \& 39, 226 \& 8,197 \& 4.809 \& 3,338 \& 16,459 \& 71,949 \& 5,773 \& 1,926 \& 1,632 \& 70 \& 2,265 \& 11,666 \& 779 \& 522 \& 44 \& 137 \& 129 \& 104 \& 1.703 <br>
\hline Mar \& 47,393 \& 8:460 \& 5.013 \& 3,404 \& 17,903 \& 82,173 \& 6,913 \& 2,149 \& 1:889 \& 91 \& 2,538 \& 13,581 \& 919 \& 925 \& 38 \& 155 \& 140 \& 169 \& 2.346 <br>
\hline
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[^5]:    = An absence of trade. than 1,000 lbs.
    $0=$ Levels of trade less tatal to rounding.

