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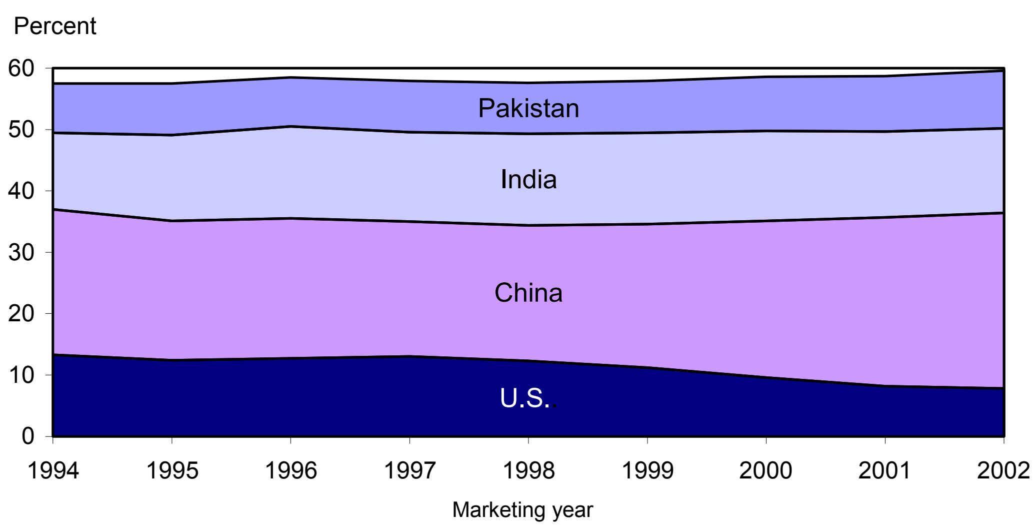
The latest U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) cotton forecast for 2002/03 projects record global cotton use for the fourth consecutive season. World cotton consumption—which has risen by 50 percent since 1981/82—was increased by 700,000 bales this month to 97.8 million, mainly reflecting larger anticipated use in China and Pakistan.

Although China, India, Pakistan, and the United States have accounted for nearly 60 percent of the world's cotton consumption over the last decade, use has changed significantly among these countries. While many developing countries—such as China—have increased their cotton spinning and share of global consumption, developed countries—such as the United States—have seen declines. The U.S. share of world cotton consumption has fallen below 8 percent from 13 percent as recently as 1997/98. In contrast, China's share has risen from 22 percent to about 29 percent this season.

Figure 1

Major consumers' shares of world cotton consumption



Source: USDA.

Domestic Outlook

U.S. Cotton Acreage to Expand in 2003

U.S. cotton area in 2003 is expected to increase 2 percent according to USDA's March *Prospective Plantings* report. Farmers intend to plant 14.25 million acres to cotton in 2003, about 300,000 more than a year ago but below the 5-year average of 14.7 million. As upland cotton returns appear more favorable than some alternatives, upland plantings are expected to reach 14.1 million acres, about 2.5 percent above 2002. In contrast, extra-long staple (ELS) area is projected to decrease 18 percent to 200,000 acres, the lowest in 3 years.

According to the *Prospective Plantings* report, an increase in 2003 U.S. upland cotton area is expected in three of the four regions of the Cotton Belt, with the Southeast experiencing a decline. Cotton area in the Southeast is estimated at 3.3 million acres, about 5 percent lower than in 2002 and the lowest since 1998.

On the other hand, upland area in the Southwest is projected at 6.1 million acres, 4 percent above 2002, but still the second lowest in 5 years. In the Delta, plantings are expected to reach 3.8 million acres, 200,000 acres higher and equal to the 5-year average. Smaller upland area gains are expected in the West, where 2003 intentions are approximately 800,000 acres. Although above last season's 749,000 acres, the region's area is still the second lowest in 45 years.

Cotton plantings are underway in a handful of States and the pace is progressing near historical averages with the exception of Arizona. As of April 6th, California and Texas led the way with plantings at 12 and 11 percent complete, respectively. Arizona, however, had reported only 7 percent planted, compared with the 5-year average of 15 percent. Several other States have just begun planting. Overall, U.S. cotton plantings were 5 percent complete as of early April, 1 percentage point below last year and equal to the 5-year average.

U.S. 2002/03 Cotton Supply Increased, Demand Unchanged

The 2002/03 U.S. cotton crop was raised slightly this month to 17.2 million bales (upland—16.5 million bales and ELS—678,000 bales) as indicated in the March *Cotton Ginnings* report. USDA will release final production estimates on May 12th. U.S. cotton imports were also increased to 50,000 bales in April. Based on these estimates, this season's cotton supply totaled nearly 24.7 million bales, 6 percent below last season but still the second largest since 1966/67.

While U.S. cotton supply was raised in April, demand was left unchanged. Total U.S. cotton demand remains projected at 18.4 million bales, less than 2 percent below 2001/02. U.S. cotton exports are estimated at 10.8 million bales for the sixth consecutive month, as strong sales and shipments continue. U.S. exportable supplies and the largest foreign import demand since 1994/95 are supporting U.S. shipments in 2002/03. Meanwhile, U.S. mill use remains estimated at 7.6 million bales, the lowest level since the 1987 season.

With U.S. demand exceeding production in 2002/03, ending stocks are forecast to decline more than a million bales this season to 6.3 million. The implied stocks-to-use ratio equals 34.2 percent, below last season's 39.7 percent and the lowest in 3 years.

U.S. January Textile Imports and Exports Rise

January 2003 textile imports, at 1.3 billion pounds (raw-fiber equivalent), were up 9 percent from December and 16 percent higher than a year earlier. Imports increased from a month ago for all major fibers and all end-uses. Cotton textile imports, at 739 million pounds, accounted for 56 percent of total imports and were 9 percent above a month ago. Asian countries remain the principal source of cotton textile imports, accounting for 58 percent in January.

Textile exports totaled 379 million pounds, up 20 percent from December and 5 percent above January 2002. Exports increased from a month earlier for all major fibers and all end-uses. Cotton textile exports, at 178 million pounds, were 23 percent above December. U.S. exports to other North American countries accounted for 92 percent of the total in January, slightly more than a year ago.

The textile trade deficit for all fibers during January 2003 was 931 million pounds, 21 percent above a year ago. The deficit rose for all major fibers, compared with a year earlier. Cotton's share of the trade deficit was 60 percent in January.

International Outlook

Foreign Consumption in 2002/03 4 Percent Above 2001/02

Foreign cotton production in 2002/03 is estimated at 70.6 million bales, 200,000 bales lower than was estimated in March. Foreign consumption in 2002/03 is forecast at 90.2 million bales, 725,000 bales higher. Foreign 2002/03 ending stocks are estimated at 30.3 million bales, 1 million bales lower than the March estimate.

The largest foreign production change is in India, where the crop is estimated 200,000 bales lower than it was in March, at 10.9 million bales. India's Ministry of Agriculture indicates that last year's low prices affected planting more than previously expected. India's 2002/03 cotton area is now estimated at 7.4 million hectares, 19 percent below the year before. However, although the 2002/03 monsoon was in some respects deficient, reduced insect pressure and improved cotton varieties are expected to help raise yields by 5 percent to their highest since 1996/97.

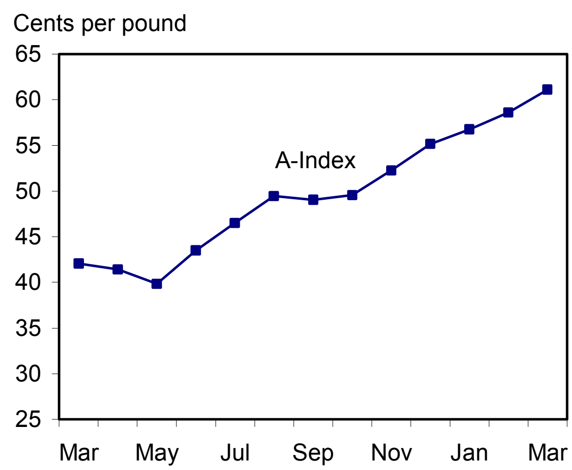
Similarly, for Pakistan's yield, USDA's 2002/03 estimate is 8 percent above the previous year. However, output and yields in 2002/03 are estimated slightly lower in April than in March as the volume of arrivals at Pakistan's gins slowed precipitously. The most recent data indicate that Pakistan's late season cotton arrivals have slowed to their lowest in at least 9 years, necessitating a 100,000-bale reduction in USDA's 2002/03 production estimate, to 7.7 million bales.

Pakistan's 2002/03 consumption is estimated 200,000 bales higher this month, based on monthly mill use data, and its exports are estimated 75,000 bales higher. As a result, Pakistan's 2002/03 ending stocks estimate is 375,000 bales lower. Similarly, while India's 2002/03 consumption is estimated 100,000 bales lower, reduced estimates for India's production and imports mean that ending stocks are estimated 300,000 bales lower. Recently available data also increased Egypt's estimated 2002/03 consumption and exports, and drove estimated ending stocks 350,000 bales lower. Larger expected imports by a number of import-dependent cotton-consuming countries mean that estimated 2002/03 ending stocks are higher this month in a few cases; but on a net basis, foreign ending stocks are forecast 3 percent lower than they were a month ago.

China's 2002/03 ending stocks are also estimated lower in April than in March, down 150,000 bales. While consumption is estimated 500,000 bales higher, imports are also estimated higher, reducing the impact on the ending stocks estimate. With this most recent revision to its consumption estimate, China is now expected to consume 50 percent more cotton in 2002/03 than in 1998/99. The gap between consumption and production in China is expected to reach 5.4 million bales in 2002/03, after averaging 2.8 million bales during the preceding 3 years. However, until this year China has covered this gap by drawing down stocks. This year is now shaping up to be first year of significant net imports by China since 1997/98.

Partly due to rising Chinese mill use, 2002/03 is also shaping up to be a year of strongly increasing foreign consumption. Foreign cotton consumption in 2002/03 is expected to increase 3 percent from its 2001/02 level. While China is the largest single source of increased consumption, 2002/03 is also the first year since 1999/2000 that mill use outside of China is expected to increase, with a 1.9-percent increase foreseen. With rising Chinese imports and growing world consumption, the world price of cotton has risen 45 percent from March 2002 to March 2003.

Figure 2
World price rises 45 percent during March 2002 - March 2003



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Data

Monthly tables from ***Cotton and Wool Outlook*** are available in Excel (.xls) spreadsheets at http://www.ers.usda.gov/briefing/cotton/Data/data.htm. These tables contain the latest data on the production, use, imports, exports, prices, and textile trade of cotton and other fibers.

Reports from the Economic Research Service

The 2002 Farm Bill: Provisions and Economic Implications, a side-by-side comparison of the new farm bill with 1996-2001 farm legislation, is available at http://www.ers.usda.gov/Features/FarmBill/.

U.S. Cotton and the Appreciation of the Dollar, http://www.ers.usda.gov/publications/agoutlook/april2002/ao290c.pdf explains how the strong U.S. dollar has exacerbated the difficulties facing the U.S. cotton and textile industries, and examines some of the sources of the U.S. dollar's fluctuation.

The Agreement on Textiles and Clothing: Impact on U.S. Cotton, http://www.ers.usda.gov/briefing/cotton/textilesandclothings.pdf, focuses on the new global trade rules that World Trade Organization members agreed to follow beginning in 2005, and the potential impacts on textile, apparel, and cotton production in the United States and around the world.

Related Websites

Cotton Briefing Room, http://www.ers.usda.gov/briefing/cotton/
WASDE, http://usda.mannlib.cornell.edu/reports/waobr/wasde-bb/

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Table 1--U.S. cotton supply and use estimates

Item	2001/02	2002/03 Feb.	2002/03 Mar.	2002/03 Apr.
		Million acres		
Upland:				
Planted	15.499	13.719	13.719	13.719
Harvested	13.560	12.171	12.171	12.171
		Pounds		
Yield/harvested acre	694	651	651	652
		Million 480-lb bales		
Beginning stocks	5.880	7.098	7.098	7.098
Production	19.603	16.496	16.496	16.528
Total supply 1/	25.488	23.599	23.599	23.636
Mill use	7.617	7.490	7.490	7.490
Exports	10.603	10.275	10.250	10.225
Total use	18.220	17.765	17.740	17.715
Ending stocks 2/	7.098	5.843	5.858	5.949
		Percent		
Stocks-to-use ratio	39.0	32.9	33.0	33.6
Extra-long staple:		1,000 acres		
Planted	270	244	244	244
Harvested	268	242	242	242
		Pounds		
Yield/harvested acre	1,254	1,286	1,286	1,343
		1,000 480-lb bales		
Beginning stocks	121	328	328	328
Production	700	649	649	678
Total supply 1/	837	1,002	1,012	1,046
Mill use	104	110	110	110
Exports	397	525	550	575
Total use	501	635	660	685
Ending stocks 2/	328	357	342	351
		Percent		
Stocks-to-use ratio	65.5	56.3	51.8	51.2

Based on USDA estimates. 1/ Includes imports. 2/ Includes unaccounted.

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Table 2--World cotton supply and use estimates

Item	2001/02	2002/03 Feb.	2002/03 Mar.	2002/03 Apr.
		Million 480-lb bales		
Supply:				
Beginning stocks				
World	42.44	46.62	46.46	46.46
Foreign	36.44	39.19	39.03	39.03
Production				
World	98.35	87.64	87.99	87.84
Foreign	78.05	70.50	70.84	70.64
Imports				
World	29.29	29.70	29.56	29.82
Foreign	29.27	29.66	29.52	29.77
Use:				
Mill use				
World	94.53	96.77	97.07	97.80
Foreign	86.81	89.17	89.47	90.20
Exports				
World	29.04	29.34	29.31	29.67
Foreign	18.04	18.54	18.51	18.87
Ending stocks				
World	46.46	37.85	37.56	36.62
Foreign	39.03	31.65	31.36	30.32
Stocks-to-use ratio		Percent		
World	49.1	39.1	38.7	37.4
Foreign	45.0	35.5	35.1	33.6

Based on USDA estimates.

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Table 3--U.S. fiber supply

Item	2002 Dec.	2003 Jan.	2003 Feb.	2002 Feb.
Cotton:		1,000 480-lb bales		
Ginnings	3,410	924	175	204
Imports since August 1	24.5	32.6	NA	2.9
Stocks, beginning	15,280	17,224	16,727	17,121
At mills	445	447	452	339
Public storage	13,724	15,817	15,116	15,423
CCC stocks	3,544	5,410	6,376	5,175
Manmade:		Million pounds		
Production	634.7	680.9	687.4	698.0
Noncellulosic	634.7	680.9	687.4	698.0
Cellulosic	NA	NA	NA	NA
Total since January 1	8,664.5	680.9	1,368.3	1,401.5

Item	2002 Nov.	2002 Dec.	2003 Jan.	2002 Jan.
		Million pounds		
Raw fiber imports	119.3	132.7	147.9	135.7
Noncellulosic	114.1	127.0	141.3	130.3
Cellulosic	5.2	5.7	6.6	5.4
Total since January 1	1,575.5	1,708.2	147.9	135.7
Wool and mohair:		1,000 pounds		
Raw wool imports, clean	2,146.6	3,106.7	2,541.1	1,860.5
48s-and-finer	1,308.8	1,193.8	844.2	1,041.7
Not-finer-than-46s	837.8	1,912.9	1,696.9	818.8
Total since January 1	21,486.0	24,592.7	2,541.1	1,860.5
Wool top imports	966.9	518.9	459.6	184.6
Total since January 1	4,079.5	4,598.4	459.6	184.6
Mohair imports, clean	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total since January 1	4.2	4.2	0.0	0.0

NA = Not available.

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Table 4--U.S. cotton system fiber consumption

Item	2002 Dec.	2003 Jan.	2003 Feb.	2002 Feb.
Cotton:		1,000 480-lb bales		
All consumed by mills 1/	528	647	573	611
Total since August 1 1/	3,107	3,754	4,327	4,380
SA annual rate 2/	7,799	7,377	7,287	7,638
SA daily rate 2/	29.9	28.3	27.9	29.3
Daily rate	24.0	28.1	28.7	30.5
Upland consumed by mills 1/	519	637	563	603
Total since August 1 1/	3,062	3,699	4,263	4,316
SA daily rate 2/	29.5	27.9	27.4	28.9
Daily rate	23.6	27.7	28.2	30.1
Spindles in place	2,814	2,804	2,817	3,029
Active spindles	2,657	2,641	2,654	2,781
100 percent cotton	1,517	1,506	1,512	1,623
100 percent manmade	325	326	329	378
Blends	815	809	813	779
		Percent		
Cotton's share of fibers	83.6	80.7	81.1	81.4
Manmade:		1,000 pounds		
Total consumed by mills 1/	49,524	74,032	64,166	67,175
Total since August 1 1/	329,383	403,416	467,582	486,691
Daily rate	2,251	3,219	3,208	3,359
Noncellulosic staple	2,150	3,107	3,079	3,209
Cellulosic staple	101	112	129	150

1/ Adjusted to calendar month. 2/ SA = seasonally adjusted.

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Table 5--U.S. fiber exports

Item	2002 Nov.	2002 Dec.	2003 Jan.	2002 Jan.
Cotton:		1,000 480-lb bales		
Upland exports	548	858	673	1,002
Total since August 1	2,144	3,032	3,705	5,052
Sales for next season	67	41	22	80
Total since August 1	457	497	519	432
Extra-long staple exports	49.0	87.0	109.5	42.0
Total since August 1	106.7	193.9	303.4	160.1
Sales for next season	0.0	0.3	0.0	1.6
Total since August 1	0.5	0.8	0.8	5.0
Manmade:		Million pounds		
Raw fiber exports	88.7	70.4	82.5	66.5
Noncellulosic	85.0	67.6	78.5	65.1
Cellulosic	3.7	2.8	4.1	1.4
Total since January 1	933.4	1,003.8	825.4	66.5
Wool and mohair:		1,000 pounds		
Raw wool exports, clean	581.3	591.8	754.8	227.9
Total since January 1	7,869.7	8,461.5	754.8	227.9
Wool top exports	885.5	488.1	137.9	359.5
Total since January 1	7,393.9	7,882.0	137.9	359.5
Mohair exports, clean	616.5	592.6	164.6	93.0
Total since January 1	2,444.3	3,036.9	164.6	93.0

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Table 6--U.S. and world fiber prices

Item	2003 Jan.	2003 Feb.	2003 Mar.	2002 Mar.
	Cents per pound			
Domestic cotton prices:				
Adjusted World Price	43.53	45.38	47.99	27.95
Upland spot 41-34	48.60	51.35	53.82	33.23
Pima spot 03-46	83.13	83.19	84.32	81.20
Avg. price received by upland producers	44.00	45.20	44.50	28.40
Mill delivered:				
Cotton				
Actual	54.39	56.13	60.16	41.40
Raw fiber equivalent	60.43	62.37	66.84	46.00
Rayon staple				
Actual	94.00	93.00	93.00	97.00
Raw fiber equivalent	97.92	96.88	96.88	101.04
Polyester staple				
Actual	61.00	61.00	62.00	58.00
Raw fiber equivalent	63.54	63.54	64.58	60.42
Price ratios				
Cotton/rayon	61.7	64.4	69.0	45.5
Cotton/polyester	95.1	98.2	103.5	76.1
Northern Europe cotton quotes:	Cents per pound			
A Index	56.68	58.71	61.08	42.01
Memphis Territory	NQ	NQ	NQ	46.00
California/Arizona	62.05	64.50	66.81	47.00
B Index	51.96	54.76	57.05	39.65
Orleans/Texas	50.60	53.19	54.88	40.75
	Dollars per pound			
Wool prices (clean):				
U.S. 56s	1.54	1.60	1.60	0.97
Australian 56s 1/	2.82	2.83	2.66	2.29
U.S. 60s	1.97	2.20	2.19	1.31
Australian 60s 1/	3.33	3.36	3.11	2.48
U.S. 64s	2.36	2.60	2.58	1.70
Australian 64s 1/	3.44	3.46	3.26	2.50

1/ In bond, Charleston, SC.

NQ = No quote.

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Table 7--U.S. textile imports, by fiber

Item	2002 Nov.	2002 Dec.	2003 Jan.	2002 Jan.
	1,000 pounds 1/			
Yarn, thread, and fabric	263,185	260,438	277,191	269,257
Cotton	114,054	108,929	113,661	115,704
Linen	15,878	19,502	20,202	26,140
Wool	3,957	3,582	3,557	2,880
Silk	1,165	1,131	1,016	901
Manmade	128,131	127,294	138,755	123,632
Apparel	809,304	772,683	841,458	711,831
Cotton	503,192	494,413	527,793	442,480
Linen	12,383	13,254	17,289	11,566
Wool	23,090	13,359	14,899	13,650
Silk	13,293	15,846	19,565	17,743
Manmade	257,345	235,811	261,912	226,392
Home furnishings	108,538	104,671	131,050	97,291
Cotton	61,816	62,325	83,309	70,028
Linen	1,141	1,584	2,120	1,439
Wool	532	448	501	491
Silk	399	336	403	287
Manmade	44,650	39,978	44,716	25,047
Floor coverings	48,138	50,033	51,078	40,982
Cotton	5,994	6,648	8,283	5,722
Linen	7,470	8,856	7,457	5,787
Wool	13,922	14,776	14,528	12,499
Silk	1,325	1,308	1,354	700
Manmade	19,427	18,446	19,456	16,274
Total imports 2/	1,236,958	1,197,171	1,310,266	1,128,278
Cotton	688,629	677,209	738,725	639,100
Linen	37,144	43,538	47,525	44,971
Wool	41,929	32,405	33,581	29,631
Silk	16,183	18,624	22,339	19,636
Manmade	453,073	425,396	468,095	394,941

1/ Raw fiber equivalent. 2/ Includes headgear.

Note: Data are preliminary and subject to revision.

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Table 8--U.S. textile exports, by fiber

Item	2002 Nov.	2002 Dec.	2003 Jan.	2002 Jan.
	1,000 pounds 1/			
Yarn, thread, and fabric	250,844	196,453	230,773	214,372
Cotton	116,862	88,747	105,402	83,149
Linen	5,884	4,802	5,517	5,741
Wool	3,220	3,029	2,700	2,807
Silk	1,967	1,623	2,012	5,302
Manmade	122,911	98,252	115,142	117,372
Apparel	117,773	88,663	113,722	118,879
Cotton	70,674	51,097	65,974	66,810
Linen	1,669	1,327	1,488	1,547
Wool	7,159	5,965	7,725	7,770
Silk	3,013	2,739	3,832	3,110
Manmade	35,258	27,535	34,704	39,641
Home furnishings	6,702	5,004	7,095	6,000
Cotton	3,884	2,962	4,491	3,789
Linen	195	192	158	106
Wool	60	81	210	43
Silk	75	79	70	34
Manmade	2,488	1,690	2,166	2,029
Floor coverings	30,898	24,371	27,016	21,211
Cotton	2,255	1,883	1,941	1,599
Linen	1,356	963	1,006	872
Wool	3,175	2,154	2,782	1,955
Silk	44	35	24	37
Manmade	24,067	19,336	21,262	16,747
Total exports 2/	406,394	314,626	378,793	360,621
Cotton	193,732	144,730	177,867	155,395
Linen	9,108	7,287	8,176	8,270
Wool	13,623	11,238	13,429	12,584
Silk	5,099	4,476	5,937	8,483
Manmade	184,831	146,894	173,386	175,889

1/ Raw fiber equivalent. 2/ Includes headgear.

Note: Data are preliminary and subject to revision.

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Table 9--U.S. cotton textile imports, by country of origin

Item	2002 Nov.	2002 Dec.	2003 Jan.	2002 Jan.
	1,000 pounds 1/			
North America	249,688	247,477	205,529	190,450
Canada	22,561	19,126	21,396	19,558
Costa Rica	9,576	10,502	7,416	6,244
Dominican Republic	19,096	19,908	10,285	9,307
El Salvador	23,796	27,228	20,183	20,301
Guatemala	16,678	17,281	17,639	15,342
Haiti	2,966	4,682	2,738	2,463
Honduras	43,562	48,853	31,335	26,661
Jamaica	2,026	1,610	1,454	1,239
Mexico	103,537	93,310	86,511	83,875
Nicaragua	5,686	4,648	6,298	5,270
South America	16,481	15,175	16,216	11,790
Brazil	7,237	6,047	7,253	5,202
Colombia	4,606	4,155	4,003	2,415
Peru	3,649	4,188	4,198	3,589
Europe	52,409	44,841	51,946	44,914
Italy	3,917	3,870	3,995	3,726
Portugal	4,641	3,224	2,240	2,485
Russia	5,120	5,779	6,339	2,485
Turkey	22,460	18,805	26,384	22,044
Asia	343,056	343,223	431,790	364,177
Bahrain	3,753	4,463	4,538	3,421
Bangladesh	16,058	14,960	27,220	26,454
Burma	3,787	3,668	4,721	3,525
Cambodia	13,834	12,138	15,622	10,941
China	52,287	59,933	74,783	56,400
Hong Kong	25,853	22,750	28,059	36,563
India	30,403	35,478	47,737	39,587
Indonesia	13,634	14,037	16,504	19,124
Israel	4,286	5,003	4,820	4,265
Macao	6,419	6,063	7,995	7,021
Malaysia	8,579	8,061	8,818	6,499
Pakistan	53,764	47,931	60,392	55,427
Philippines	13,448	12,979	15,958	14,335
Singapore	2,588	2,560	2,784	2,725
South Korea	13,287	11,874	12,677	12,199
Sri Lanka	6,376	7,211	10,931	12,174
Taiwan	12,864	12,110	13,066	13,005
Thailand	17,965	16,887	18,277	18,792
United Arab Emirates	3,656	3,232	4,464	3,446
Oceania	5,176	2,701	2,398	2,803
Australia	3,413	1,570	1,392	1,629
Africa	21,820	23,793	30,846	24,966
Egypt	9,121	8,517	11,349	10,015
Lesotho	3,586	4,558	4,889	4,333
South Africa	2,353	2,988	3,217	2,084
World 2/	688,629	677,209	738,725	639,100

1/ Raw fiber equivalent. 2/ Totals may not add due to rounding.

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Table 10--U.S. cotton textile exports, by destination country

Item	2002 Nov.	2002 Dec.	2003 Jan.	2002 Jan.
	1,000 pounds 1/			
North America	179,714	132,825	164,474	142,052
Bahamas	58	62	293	81
Canada	20,678	15,914	19,190	26,576
Costa Rica	8,863	5,587	8,727	4,775
Dominican Republic	20,312	10,136	17,048	13,540
El Salvador	14,690	11,454	11,951	9,937
Guatemala	7,891	6,644	6,476	5,708
Haiti	3,707	2,381	3,301	2,181
Honduras	42,952	34,590	39,133	24,682
Jamaica	1,978	1,189	2,040	1,062
Mexico	57,402	43,810	55,157	52,659
Nicaragua	777	724	743	472
Panama	75	71	106	165
South America	2,930	1,766	2,553	2,366
Argentina	9	13	18	25
Brazil	141	51	65	166
Chile	167	114	93	289
Colombia	2,101	1,304	2,155	593
Ecuador	82	99	25	614
Peru	125	34	25	51
Venezuela	214	71	35	470
Europe	4,789	4,081	5,005	5,240
Belgium	1,620	1,778	2,402	1,718
France	168	149	139	198
Germany	823	391	360	559
Italy	198	121	123	165
Netherlands	323	283	484	646
Turkey	78	49	10	27
United Kingdom	929	802	910	1,065
Asia	5,040	5,128	5,030	5,014
China	273	431	334	445
Hong Kong	743	774	451	905
Israel	216	157	239	200
Japan	1,518	1,614	1,857	1,696
Malaysia	52	133	107	88
Philippines	291	252	274	207
Saudi Arabia	235	253	157	124
Singapore	236	227	232	142
South Korea	328	338	357	412
Sri Lanka	113	81	98	187
Taiwan	162	95	410	82
United Arab Emirates	287	222	166	73
Oceania	565	427	359	310
Australia	467	343	307	243
Africa	696	503	445	413
Morocco	26	29	27	105
World 2/	193,732	144,730	177,867	155,395

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Table 11--U.S. actual and projected cotton acreage

State/Region	Actual 2001	Actual 2002	Projected 2003 1/	2003/2002
		1,000 acres		Percent
Upland:				
Alabama	610	590	580	98
Florida	125	120	100	83
Georgia	1,490	1,450	1,400	97
N. Carolina	970	940	900	96
S. Carolina	300	290	250	86
Virginia	105	100	95	95
Southeast	3,600	3,490	3,325	95
Arkansas	1,080	960	1,030	107
Louisiana	870	520	530	102
Mississippi	1,620	1,170	1,250	107
Missouri	405	380	410	108
Tennessee	620	570	600	105
Delta	4,595	3,600	3,820	106
Kansas	41	80	110	138
Oklahoma	270	200	200	100
Texas	6,000	5,600	5,800	104
Southwest	6,311	5,880	6,110	104
Arizona	295	215	200	93
California	630	480	540	113
New Mexico	68	54	58	107
West	993	749	798	107
Total Upland	15,499	13,719	14,053	102
Pima:				
Arizona	8	8	7	88
California	240	210	170	81
New Mexico	5	7	7	100
Texas	17	19	16	84
Total Pima	270	244	200	82
Total All	15,769	13,963	14,253	102

1/ Planting intentions as indicated by reports from farmers.

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