# AGRICULTURAL SUPPLY & DEMAND ESTIMATES



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#### HIGHLIGHTS

Unusually good growing conditions during July sharply boosted grain crop prospects. Current indications are for 1978 production of feed and food grains of around 255 to 260 million metric tons, nearly as large as the 1977 crop. Substantially higher expected yields about offset reduced plantings of 1978 grain crops. While domestic use will continue to expand and a strong export demand is in prospect for 1978/79, carryover stocks are expected to increase for feed grains. This will keep prices under pressure.

A record 1978 soybean crop of 1,765 million bushels is indicated, as panded acreage more than offsets a lower average yield. Prospects for creases in 1978/79 utilization likely will again keep ending stocks at relatively low levels.

Estimated cotton production of 11.8 million bales is down nearly a fifth from 1977/78, reflecting reduced acreage and yields damaged by weather and insects. Continued strong export demand and a steady mill use point to slightly smaller stocks next August.

## WEATHER CONDITIONS CONTINUE GENERALLY FAVORABLE

Weather conditions have continued to be generally favorable over most of the crop-producing areas of the United States since August 1.

Growing conditions for both corn and soybeans have been excellent in the Corn Belt in general, with abundant rainfall and normal temperatures, except in northern portions which were slightly cool. The outlook for the next 10 days indicates drier weather in the Corn Belt with temperatures expected to be several degrees above normal in the western portion.

Except for some dryness in extreme northern North Dakota, weather conditions have also been good to excellent in spring wheat areas with both abundant precipitation and cool temperatures. Frequent rains have slightly retarded winter wheat harvest in Montana. The northern Great Plains should also experience a turn toward drier conditions for the next few days.

Areas reporting significant lack of moisture are parts of Georgia, Alabama, ...ssissippi, Arkansas, Louisiana, Texas and Oklahoma. The recent excessive rains in central Texas have completely reversed the soil moisture situation in that area, but the High Plains needs more rain for unirrigated cotton.

Extremely high temperatures have occurred in the central and northern valley of California with new records at a few stations and possible damage to the cotton crop.

## ANOTHER LARGE FEED GRAIN CROP FORECAST

The 6.5-billion-bushel corn crop estimated in early August is 2 percent larger than last year's record harvest. Nearly ideal weather in the Midwest during July raised probable yields to 96 bushels per acre, about 5 bushels more than in 1977 and near the best on record.

Production of the four feed grains is estimated at 202 million metric tons, about the same as 1977's big outturn. With carryover of old grain up sharply this fall, supplies of feed grains for the 1978/79 marketing season again should surpass projected domestic use and exports.

Larger than expected feed grain crops and continued favorable prospects for livestock and poultry feeding point to an increase in domestic feeding of about 6 percent during 1978/79. Although exports may not match the large shipments in 1977/78, exports of U.S. coarse grain will likely be maintained by a growing demand for livestock products in many developed areas of the world. With prospects now pointing to some further buildup in carryover stocks, prices for feed grains during the 1978/79 season will likely average near their loan rates.

In the next 2 or 3 months loans will mature on more than 500 million bushels of corn. With market prices at or below the loan in many areas, it is expected that farmers will consider the reserve as a market alternative.

#### WHEAT SUPPLIES LARGE

The August 1 forecast for a U.S. wheat crop of 1.82 million bushels was up fractionally from a month ago but still 10 percent below the large 1977 crop. Domestic use will be down in 1978/79, reflecting prospects for big feed grain crops and reduced wheat feeding.

Early export prospects are good, especially until larger crops in major competing areas begin to enter world markets in volume next spring. Exports may hold near the 1.1 billion bushels shipped in 1977/78. However, domestic use and exports may about match the reduced crop, suggesting little change in carryover stocks. The projected carryout of 1.1 billion bushels will include farmer-owned reserves of around 300 to 350 million bushels as well as wheat under loan and perhaps as much as 200 million bushels in a reserve for international emergencies which is now being considered by the Congress.

Market prices are currently running about 75 cents above a year ago and farm prices are projected to average 50 to 60 cents above the \$2.30 per bushel reported for 1977/78.

#### RICE STOCKS TO MOUNT

e August 1 forecast indicates a record rice harvest of 136 million cwt. As a sult, supplies will climb to a record-shattering 164 million cwt. Demand for 1978/79 should hold around this past crop year's level of 112 million cwt. This suggests that from 20-25 million cwt. of rice could be added to stockpiles by the end of the 1978/79 crop year, pushing the carryover above 50 million cwt.

## STRONG DEMAND SEEN FOR RECORD SOYBEAN SUPPLIES

Soybean supplies are estimated at 1.9 billion bushels, up 4 percent from 1977/78. Soybean acreage is up 9 percent, but yields are expected to average 6 percent below 1977's.

Strong domestic and foreign markets are expected to further expand utilization of the larger supply, pointing to relatively low carryover stocks again in 1978/79.

The shortfall in the 1978 Brazilian soybean crop will boost U.S. exports in the first half of the U.S. 1978/79 marketing year. Consequently, market prices are being well maintained despite prospects for a much larger crop. If the Brazilian soybean crop bounces back next spring, U.S. exports will encounter stiff competition and prices will be under pressure.

Increased foreign plantings and favorable crop developments point to a large increase in foreign supplies of oils and fats. If these crops delop as expected, export demand for U.S. soybean oil is likely to decline. ile world demand for soybean meal will probably continue to expand, U.S. soybean meal exports could encounter increasing competition later in 1978/79 as larger world oil crops come to market.

## U.S. COTTON CROP DOWN 18 PERCENT, DEMAND STABLE

Based on August 1 conditions, the 1978/79 U.S. cotton crop is forecast at 11.8 million bales, 18 percent below last season. Smaller planted acreage, higher abandonment, and adverse growing conditions account for the smaller crop. However, considerable uncertainty still surrounds 1978/79 production prospects.

Mill use during 1978/79 could range from 6 to 7 million bales, depending on whether final production is at the lower or upper end of the indicated range. And even if production is relatively large, current excess denim inventories would have to be worked off by the end of 1978 for mill use to reach 7 million bales.

U.S. exports during 1977/78 rose to 5.6 million bales from 4.8 million the previous season. With forward sales in excess of 3.5 million bales, exports during 1978/79 could match the 1977/78 total.

Domestic cotton stocks increased sharply during 1977/78. The August 1 carryover of 5.5 million bales nearly doubled last summer's level. Given production and disappearance uncertainties, the carryover next summer could nge from 4.2 to 6.2 million bales.

## FOOD AND FEED GRAINS 1/

Commodity	: 1976/77	: 1977/78		1978/79	
* <i>***</i> ****	* * 	: Estimated	1 : Proj.:	Prob. Variab.2/	
****	:		metric ton		
BEGINNING STOCKS	: 37.0	62.0	74.7		
Wheat	: 18.1	30.3	32.0		
Rice	: 1.7	1.8	1.2		
Feed grains	: 17.2	29.9	41.5		
Corn	: (10.1)	(22.5)	(28.1)		
RODUCTION	: 256.9	261.4	257.7		
Wheat	: 58.3	55.1	49.4	+1 to -1	
Rice	: 5.2	4.5	6.2	+0.4 to -0.4	
Feed grains	: 193.4	201.8	202.1		
Corn	: (159.2)	(161.8)	(165.2)	+5 to -10	
MPORTS	: 0.5	0.4	0.4		•
TOTAL SUPPLY	: 294.4	323.8	332.8		
Wheat	: 76.5	85.5	81.5	+1 to -1	
Rice	: 6.9	6.3	7.4		
Feed grains	: 211.0	232.0	243.9		
Corn	: (169.4)	(184.3)	(193.3)		
EED USE	: 115.5	122.8	127.3		(
Wheat	: 2.8	5.2	2.7		1
Feed grains	: 112.6	117.6	124.6	+5 to -5	
Corn	: (91.1)	(95.2)	(101.6)		
OOD & OTHER USE	: 37.3	38.5	39.2		
Wheat	: 17.6	17.7	17.6		
Rice	: 1.9	2.0	2.1		
Feed grains	: 17.9	18.8	19.5		
Corn	: (13.0)	(14.0)	(14.5)		
XPORTS	: 79.4	87.8	84.4		
Wheat	: 25.8	30.6	29.9	+3 to -3	
Rice	: 3.0	3.1	3.0		
Feed grains	: 50.6	54.1	51.5		
Corn	: (42.8)	(45.7)	(44.5)	+4 to -4	
OTAL UTILIZATION		249.1	250.9		
Wheat	: 46.2	53.5		+5 to -5	
Rice		5.1			
Feed grains	: 181.1	190.5	195.6		
Corn	: (146.9)	(156.2)	(160.6)	+8 to -8	
CARRYOVER STOCKS	62.0	74.7	81.9		
Wheat	: 30.3	32.0	31.3	+5 to <del>-</del> 5	
Rice	: 1.8	1.2	2.3	+.3 to3	
Feed grains		41.5	48.3		
Corn	: (22.5)	(28.1)	(32.7)	+4 to -6	

Marketing year data for wheat, rice (rough) and feed grains.
 See footnotes on grain tables for interpreting probable variation.

## FEED GRAINS AND CORN 1/

******	****	*****	*****	*****				
Commodity		: 1977/78		1978/79				
Commodito	:			Prob. Variab. 2/				
******	******	*****	*****	*****				
	:							
FEED GRAINS:	:							
Area	:	Million	n acres					
Planted	: 128.7	128.1	121.4					
Harvested	: 106.3	107.0	102.2					
Yield per harv.	: Tons							
unit	: 2.01	2.08	2.18					
	:	Million short tons						
Beginning stocks	: 19.0	33.0	45.7					
Production	: 213.2	222.4	222.8	+8 to -14				
Imports	: 0.4							
Supply, total	: 232.6	255.7						
Feed	: 124.1	129.7	137.4	+8 to -8				
Food, seed, &	:							
industry	: 19.7		21.4					
Domestic, total	: 143.8	150.4	158.8	+8 to <del>-</del> 8				
Exports	: 55.8	59.6	56.8	+5 to -5				
Use, total	: 199.6	210.0	215.6	+11 to -11				
Ending stocks	: 33.0	45.7	53.2	+7 to -10				
	:		•					
CORN:	•							
Area	:	Million						
Planted	: 84.4		78.5					
Harvested	: 71.3	70.0	67.7					
Yield per harv.	:		nels					
unit	: 87.9	91.0	96.1					
	:		bushels					
Beginning stocks	: 399		1,107					
Production	: 6,266	6,371	6,503	+200 to <del>-</del> 400				
Imports	: 3	2						
Supply, total	: 6,668		7,611					
Feed	: 3,587	3,750	4,000	+200 to -200				
Food, seed, &	:							
industry	: 513	550	570					
Domestic, total			4,570	+200 to -200				
Exports	: 1,684		1,750	+150 to -150				
Use, total	: 5,784	6,150	6,320	+300 to -300				
Ending stocks				+150 to -250				
Avg. farm price 3/	: 2.15	2.03						
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<sup>1/</sup> Marketing year beginning October 1 for corn and sorghum; June 1 for barley and oats. 2/ The "probable variability" is based on the "standard errors of estimate" and judgement. Chances are about 2 out of 3 that the outcome will fall within the indicated ranges. 3/ Season average farm price, dollars per bushel.

*******			ND OATS 1					
Commodity				1978/79				
: **********				Prob. Variab.2/				
	*****							
SORGHUM:	: Bushels							
Yield/harv. unit :	48.9	56.2	53.0					
	: Million bushels : 51 91 201							
Beginning stocks :		91		160 5- 60				
Production :	720	791	712	+60 to <del>-</del> 60				
Imports :		222	212					
Supply, total :	771	882	913	. 20				
Feed :	428	450	470	+30 to -30				
Food, seed, & :	_		_					
industry :	6	6	6					
Domestic, total:		456		+30 to -30				
Exports :	246	225		+30 to -30				
Use, total :	680	681		+45 to <del>-</del> 45				
	91	201		+50 to <del>-</del> 50				
Avg. farm price 4/:	2.03	1.73	1.80-2.	00				
BARLEY: :		Busi	hels					
Yield/harv.unit :	44.9	43.8	48.6					
:		Million	bushels					
Beginning stocks :	128	126	172					
Production :	372	416	440	+20 to -20				
Imports :	11	9	10					
Supply, total :	511	551	622					
Feed :	161	162		+25 to <b>-</b> 25				
Food, seed &	101			20 33 23				
industry :	158	160	162					
Domestic, total:		322	332	+25 to -25				
	66	57	50					
Exports :	385	379		+30 to -30				
Use, total :	126	172		+20 to -20				
Avg. farm price 4/:	2.25							
OATS:	/.E 7		nels					
Yield/harv. unit :	45.7	55.6	53.3					
:	205		bushels					
Beginning stocks :	205	165	309	105 5 05				
Production :	546	748	637	+25 to <b>-</b> 25				
Imports :	1	2	1					
Supply, total :	752	915	947					
Feed:	489	511	510	+50 to -50				
Food, seed, & :								
industry :	88	84	85					
Domestic total :	577	595	595					
Exports :	10	11	10					
Use, total :	587	606		+50 to -50				
Ending stocks :	165	309	342	+40 to <del>-</del> 40				
Avg. farm price 4/:	1.56	1.14	1.05-1.1					
*******	*****	****	******	*****				
1/ Marketing year beginning October 1 for sorghum, June 1								
for harley and pars 2/ The "probable variability" reflects the								

<sup>1/</sup> Marketing year beginning October 1 for sorghum, June 1 for barley and oats. 2/ The "probable variability" reflects the "root mean square error" and/or "standard errors of estimate" and judgement. Chances are 2 out of 3 that the outcome will fall within the indicated ranges. 3/ Less than 500,000 bushels or 0.05 million tons. 4/ Season av. farm price, \$ per bushel.

## WHEAT AND RICE 1/

*****	****	****	****	****	****			
Commodity	: 1976/77 : 1977/78 : 1978/79				79			
:			Prob. Variab.2/					
******	****	****	** <del>**</del>	****	*****			
WHEAT:								
Area	: Million acres							
Planted :	80.2							
Harvested :	70.8							
Yield per harv.	Bushels							
unit	30.3	.3 30.6 32.1						
:		Million bushels						
Beginning stocks	665							
Production :	2,142	2,026	1,817	+35	to - 35			
Imports :	3	2	2					
	2,810	3,140	2,993	+35	to - 35			
Domestic		-	-					
Food	553	569	565	+10	to - 10			
Seed :	92	80	80	+5	to - 5			
Feed	103	193	100	+50	to - 50			
Domestic, total :	748	842	745	+60	to - 60			
Exports :	950	1,124	1,100	+100	to -100			
Use, total :	1,698		1,845	+150	to -150			
Ending stocks	1,112	1,174	1,148		to -175			
Avg. farm price 3/:	·							
RICE (rough): :		·						
Area		Million	n acres					
Allotment :	1.80	1.80	1.80					
Planted :			3.04					
Harvested :	2.48	2.25	3.02					
Yield per harv. :		Pound						
unit :	4,663	4,412	4,518					
:		Million cwt.						
Beginning stocks :	36.9	40.5	27.5					
	115.6	99.2	136.4	+8.0	to <del>-</del> 8.0			
Imports :	.1							
	152.6	139.7	163.9					
Domestic :	42.7	44.2	45.0	+2.0	to -2.0			
Exports :	65.6	68.0			to -5.0			
Use, total :	108.3	112.2			to <b>-6.</b> 0			
Ending stocks :	40.5	27.5	51.9	+7.0	to <b>-</b> 7.0			
Dif. unactd. :	+3.8							
Avg. farm price 3/:	7.02		6.50-7.50					
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<sup>1/</sup> Marketing year beginning June 1 for wheat, August 1
for rice. 2/ The "probable variability" reflects the "root mean
square error" and/or "standard errors of estimate" and judgement.
Chances are about 2 out of 3 that the outcome will fall within
the indicated ranges. 3/ Season average farm price for wheat,
dollars per bushel; for rice, dollars per hundredweight.

## SOYBEANS AND PRODUCTS (Domestic Measure)

********	**	****	*****	****	****	****	*****		
Commodity	:	1976/77	: 1977/7	8 :		1978,	/79		
	:		: Estimat	ed : F	roj.	: Prob	. Variab.2/		
******	**	****	*****	****	****	*****	*****		
SOYBEANS:	:								
Area	:	: Million acres							
Planted	:	50.2	59.1		64.4				
Harvested	:	49.4	57.9		63.3				
Yield per harv.	:	: Bushels/acre							
unit	:	26.1							
	:		Millio	n bush	els				
Beginning stocks	:	245	103		125	+]	.5 to <b>-</b> 15		
Production	:	1,288	1,716		1,765	+100	to -100		
Supply, total	:	1,533	1,819		1,890	+100	to -100		
Crushings	:	790	930		965	+50	to <b>-</b> 50		
Exports	:	564	705		720	+50	to -50		
Seed, feed, &	:								
residual	:	76	3/ 59		75				
Use, total	:	1,430	1,694		1,760	+75	to <b>-</b> 75		
Ending stocks	:	103	125		130	+50	to -50		
Avg. farm price	:	6.81	5.80		6.00	+1.0	0 to -1.00		
SOYBEAN OIL:	:		Million	n poun	ds				
Beginning stocks	:	1,251	767		750	+100	to -100		
Production	:	8,578	4/10,283		0,420	+550	to <del>-</del> 550		
Supply, total	:	9,829	11,050	1	1,170	+550	to <b>-</b> 550		
Domestic	:	7,515	8,200		8,450	+500	to <b>-</b> 500		
Exports	:	1,547	2,100		1,800	+300	to <b>-</b> 300		
Use, total	:	9,062	10,300		0,250	+400	to <b>-</b> 400		
Ending stocks	:	767	750		920	+200	to -200		
Avg. price 5/	:	24	25		22	+5	to <b>-</b> 5		
SOYBEAN MEAL:	:		Thousand	short	tons				
Beginning stocks	:	355	228		248	+50	to <b>-</b> 50		
Production	:	18,488	4/22,420	2:	2,920	+1200	to -1200		
Supply, total	:	18,843	22,648	2	3,168	+1200	to -1200		
Domestic		14,056	16,300				to -1000		
Exports		4,559	6,100		-		to <del>-</del> 400		
Use, total	:	18,615	22,400				to -1000		
Ending stocks		228	248			+75	to <b>-</b> 75		
Avg. price 6/		199.80	165.00		75.00		_		
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1/ Marketing year beginning September 1 for soybeans, October 1 for soybean oil and meal. 2/ The "probable variability" reflects the "root mean square error" and/or "standard errors of estimate" and judgement. Chances are about 2 out of 3 that outcomes will fall within the indicated ranges. 3/ Estimated disappearance through August indicates a negative residual, possibly due to an underestimation of the 1977 crop. Final 1977 production figures will be released no later than January. 4/ Based on Oct.-Sept. year crush of 950 million bushels. 5/ Simple season average of crude soybean oil, Decatur, cents per pound. 6/ Simple season average of 44% protein, Decatur, dollars per short ton.

SOYBEANS AND PRODUCTS (Metric Measure) 1/, 2/ : 1976/77 : 1977/78 : 1978/79 Commodity : Estimated : Proj. : Prob. Variab. 3/ \* SOYBEANS: Million hectares Area Planted : 20.3 23.9 26.1 20.0 23.4 25.6 Harvested : Metric tons/hectare Yield per harv. 1.99 unit 1.76 Million metric tons +0.4 to -0.46.7 2.8 3.4 Beginning stocks : +2.7 to -2.746.7 48.0 35.1 Production : 49.5 +2.7 to -2.7Supply, total : 41.7 51.4 21.5 25.3 26.3 +1.4 to -1.4Crushings : 19.6 +1.4 to -1.4 15.3 19.2 : Exports Seed, feed, & residual 2.1 4/1.6 2.0 : 46.1 47.9 +2.0 to -2.0Use, total 38.9 3.5 +1.4 to -1.43.4 Ending stocks 2.8 : 213 220 +37 to -37Avg. farm price : 250 Thousand metric tons SOYBEAN OIL: Beginning stocks 567 348 340 +45 to -45 : 4,727 +49 to -49 3,891 5/4,664 Production : +249 to -249 5,067 Supply, total 4,458 5,012 3,409 3,719 3,833 +227 to -227 Domestic +136 to -136 953 816 702 Exports +181 to -181 4,672 4,649 Use, total : 4,111 +91 to -91 348 340 417 Ending stocks : 485 +110 to -110 529 551 Avg. price 6/ Thousand metric tons SOYBEAN MEAL: +45 to 225 Beginning stocks 322 207 +1089 to -1089 16,772 5/20,339 20,793 Production : +1089 to -1089 21,018 17,094 20,546 Supply, total : +907 to -907 15,422 Domestic 12,751 14,787 5,534 5,352 +363 to -3634,136 Exports 16,887 20,775 +907 to 20,321 Use, total +68 to -68 207 225 243 Ending stocks : 193 +26 to -26 220 184 Avg. price 7/ 

1/ Marketing year beginning September 1 for soybeans, October 1
for soybean oil and meal. 2/ Conversion factor: Hectare = 2.471
acres; Metric ton = 2204.6 pounds or 36.7437 bushels. 3/ The
"probable variability" reflects the "root mean square error"
and/or "standard errors of estimate" and judgement. Chances are about
2 out of 3 that outcomes will fall within the indicated ranges.
4/ Estimated disappearance through August indicates a negative
residual, possibly due to an underestimation of the 1977 crop.
Final 1977 production figures will be released no later than
January. 5/ Based on Oct.-Sept. year crush of 25.9 million metric
tons. 6/ Simple season average of crude soybean oil, Decatur,
dollars per metric ton. 7/ Simple season average of 44% protein,

COTTON: UPLAND AND EXTRA LONG STAPLE 1/

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                  : 1976/77 : 1977/78 :
                                               1978/79
Commodity
                           : Estimated : Proj.: Prob. Variab. 2/
         DOMESTIC MEASURE
Area
                              Million acres
                               13.7
                                        13.0
  Planted
                      11.7
                               13.3
                                        12.3
                      10.9
  Harvested
                                 Pounds
Yield per harv.
  unit
                       465
                                520
                                         462
                           Million 480-lb. bales
                       3.7 3/
                                2.9 3/
                                        5.5
                                              +0.1 to -0.1
Beginning stocks3/:
                      10.6
                               14.4
                                              +0.5 to -1.0
Production
                                        11.8
  Supply, total 4/:
                      14.3
                               17.3
                                        17.3
                                              +0.5 to -1.0
Mill use
                       6.7
                                6.5
                                        6.5
                                              +0.4 to -0.4
                                         5.5
                                5.6
                                              +1.0 to -1.0
                       4.8
Exports
  Use, total
                      11.5
                               12.0
                                        12.0
                                              +1.0 to -1.0
Dif. unactd.5/
                       0.1
                                0.2
                                         0.1
                                5.5
                                         5.4
                       2.9 3/
                                              +0.8 to -1.2
Ending stocks
                               51.7 7/
                                                   8/
Avg. farm price 6/:
                      64.1
                                          8/
                            METRIC MEASURE 9/
Area
                            Million hectares
                       4.7
                                5.5
                                         5.3
  Planted
                                5.4
  Harvested
                       4.4
                                         5.0
                               Metric tons
Yield per harv.
                      0.52
                               0.58
                                       0.52
  unit
                           Million metric tons
                       0.8 3/
                                0.6 3/
                                        1.2
                                                   10/
Beginning stocks
                                        2.6
                                              +0.1 to -0.2
Production
                       2.3
                                3.1
                       3.1
                                3.8
                                        3.8
                                              +0.2 to -0.3
  Supply, total 4/:
                                1.4
                                        1.4
                                              +0.1 to -0.1
Mill use
                       1.5
                                1.2
                                        1.2
                                              +0.2 to -0.2
Exports
                       1.0
                                              +0.2 to -0.2
  Use, total
                       2.5
                                2.6
                                        2.6
                                         10/
                                                   10/
Dif. unactd.5/
                       10/
                                 10/
                       0.6 3/
                                1.2
                                         1.2
                                              +0.2 to -0.3
Ending stocks
                                                    8/
                      1.41
                               1.14 7/
                                          8/
Avg. farm price 6/:
1/ Marketing year beginning Aug. 1. 2/ The "probable variability"
reflects the "root mean square error" and/or "standard errors of
estimate" and judgement. Chances are about 2 out of 3 that the outcome
will fall within the indicated ranges. 3/ Based on Bureau of Cen-
sus data. 4/ Includes imports. 5/ Difference between ending stocks
based on Bureau of Census data and preceding season's supply less
distribution. Estimated for 1977/78. Projected for 1978/79.
6/ Season average farm price, domestic measure, cents per pound;
metric measure, dollars per kilogram. 7/ Average to April 1, 1978.
8/ USDA is prohibited from projecting cotton prices. 9/ Conversion
factors: Hectare = 2.471 acres. Metric ton = 2204.6 pounds or 4.59
480-pound bales. Kilogram = 2.2046 pounds. 10/ Less than 0.05.
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