

Cotton Ginnings

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Running Bales Ginned by Crop – States and United States: September 15, 2007-2010

[Excluding linters]

Crop and State	Running bales ginned			
	2007	2008	2009	2010
All Cotton				
Alabama	4,300	-	-	11,100
Arizona	12,900	(D)	4,250	(D)
Arkansas	12,050	(D)	-	54,050
California	-	-	-	-
Florida	(D)	-	-	(D)
Georgia	(D)	1,250	-	9,750
Louisiana	850	4,450	5,850	66,100
Mississippi	4,150	-	(D)	60,250
Missouri	37,800	-	-	4,450
New Mexico	-	-	(D)	-
North Carolina	(D)	-	-	3,100
Oklahoma	-	-	-	-
South Carolina	-	-	-	-
Tennessee	7,850	-	-	11,800
Texas	293,600	465,050	164,400	521,550
Virginia	-	-	-	-
United States	374,650	475,550	174,550	747,200

- Represents zero.

(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

All Cotton Running Bales - County, District, States and United States: September 1, 2010

State/ County/ District	Running Bales Ginned	State/ County/ District	Running Bales Ginned
United States Total	286,700	Brazoria ¹ Calhoun ¹ Fort Bend Jackson ¹ Matagorda ¹ Wharton	2,250
Texas			
Falls ¹ Hill Williamson ¹	950	District 90	22,150
District 40	2,650	Zavala ¹	
Walker ¹		District 96 ²	
District 52 ²		Cameron ¹ Hidalgo ¹ Willacy	47,900
Caldwell ¹		District 97 ³	47,900
District 81 ²		TX Total	286,700
Kleberg ¹ Nueces Refugio ¹ San Patricio	38,600 97,500		
District 82 ³	136,100		

¹ Withheld to avoid disclosing individual gins.

² Withheld to avoid disclosing individual gins, but included in State total.

³ Excludes some gins' data to avoid disclosing individual gins, but included in State total.

⁴ Withheld to avoid disclosing individual gins, but included in the US total.

Statistical Methodology

Survey Procedure: The cotton ginnings survey is an enumeration of all active gins and every effort is made to obtain a report from all ginners. Data are collected on the first and fifteenth of each month (September – January and February 1) for all estimating States while data collection begins with an August 1 survey in Texas. Ginners are asked to report the number of Upland and American Pima bales ginned prior to the data collection date. Data are collected by telephone, fax, and internet. If a completed report is not received from an active gin, the bales ginned are estimated using administrative data or imputed using current survey data for neighboring gins and the previously reported data for the imputed gin.

Estimating Procedures: Information obtained from the cotton ginnings survey is used to establish estimates of Upland and American Pima bales ginned to date. These estimates are reviewed for errors, reasonableness, and consistency with historical estimates.

Revision Policy: Cotton ginnings estimates are subject to revision in the annual report released in May of the following year and are based on a thorough review of all available data.

Reliability: Cotton ginnings estimates are based on a census of all known ginners and therefore, have no sampling variability. However, estimates are subject to errors such as omissions, duplication, and mistakes in reporting, recording, and processing of the data. While these errors cannot be measured directly, they are minimized through strict quality controls in the data collection process and a careful review of all reported data for consistency and reasonableness.

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