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Record Global Cotton Stocks Supported by China in 2012/13

The latest U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) cotton projections for 2012/13 indicate that world ending stocks are expected to reach a record 82.5 million bales, 18 percent (12.3 million bales) above the previous season. Stocks have jumped dramatically over the previous two seasons as recent record cotton prices encouraged higher global production but, at the same time, discouraged world demand for the fiber. China's policies that support domestic cotton prices above world prices have also contributed considerably to a stock build-up there and consequently in the global supply of cotton. The latest forecast for 2012/13 world cotton stocks indicates that global ending stocks will rise by a remarkable 77 percent (35.8 million bales) in only 3 years.

While world cotton stocks are rising for the third consecutive season, the extraordinary stock growth in China has occurred during the last two seasons. In 2010/11, China's stocks reached a 15-year low as the national reserve had been reduced significantly; however, policies ensued—and are still in effect—that promoted a rebuilding of these strategic reserves through both domestic purchases and imports. By the end of 2012/13, China's stocks are forecast to total 45.6 million bales, compared with only 10.6 million bales just 2 years earlier.

Although U.S. cotton stocks have risen since 2010/11, the United States has maintained roughly a 5-percent share of global stocks. However, with China holding an expected 55-percent share of world stocks in 2012/13, stocks in the rest of the world are forecast to decline more than 10 percent. Since most of China's stocks are currently unavailable to the market, the growing tightness in global free supplies is supporting world cotton prices.

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Domestic

U.S. Cotton Plantings in 2013 Projected To Be Lowest Since 2009

U.S. cotton acreage in 2013 is projected to decrease for the second consecutive season after reaching a 5-year high in 2011. Based on the National Agricultural Statistics Service's (NASS) *Prospective Plantings* report that surveyed farmers at the beginning of March, producers expect to plant 10.0 million acres to cotton in 2013. This initial projection is 2.3 million acres (19 percent) below 2012's actual planted area. Upland cotton acreage is expected to be at its lowest in 4 years, while extra-long staple (ELS) cotton area is projected at a 3-year low. Upland area is estimated at 9.8 million acres in 2013 while ELS plantings are estimated at 206,000 acres. These indications will be updated at the end of June in NASS's *Acreage* report. As of April 7th, cotton plantings were underway in a few States with 5 percent of the expected area planted, compared with 9 percent in 2012.

U.S. cotton acreage is expected to decline this spring as estimates for 2012/13 demand remain below the production estimate, forcing ending stocks higher for the second consecutive season. Cotton prices have also decreased in 2012/13 and relative prices for 2013/14 are favoring competing crops as planting decisions are finalized. According to the 2013 *Prospective Plantings* report, each Cotton Belt region is projected to plant less cotton while three out of the four regions are expected to plant more corn than in 2012; soybeans are also expected to increase in the Southeast and Delta. Overall, the 2013 upland cotton area is estimated to account for approximately 21 percent of the three-crop Cotton Belt total, the lowest share since 2009.

While U.S. upland area is forecast to decrease in each region, over half of the decline is attributable to the Southwest region; in addition, more than one-third of the decrease is expected to occur in the Delta. The Southwest is projected to plant 5.7 million acres of upland cotton in 2013, 1.2 million acres (18 percent) below 2012 and the lowest since 2009. The Southwest is expected to account for 58 percent of the U.S. upland cotton area in 2013, similar to 4 years ago and one of the highest shares since 1980. If drought conditions continue in the region, 2013 upland area could be higher than projected in March as cotton is a more drought-tolerant crop than other Southwest alternatives.

The Southeast is expected to plant nearly 2.6 million acres to upland cotton in 2013, about 170,000 acres (6 percent) below 2012 but slightly above the 5-year average. Despite the area decline from a year ago, the Southeast is forecast to account for 26 percent of the U.S. upland acreage in 2013, the highest in more than half a century.

In the Delta region, 2013 cotton plantings are projected at a record low of only 1.3 million acres, 770,000 acres (38 percent) below 2012. Similarly, the region is expected to account for only 13 percent of the U.S. cotton acreage estimate, compared with a 5-year average of 18 percent. Meanwhile, the West is projected to plant one of the smallest upland crops on record there; the initial forecast is expected at only 280,000 acres, near the historic low of 247,000 acres in 2009. The West will once again account for around 3 percent of the U.S. upland acreage in 2013. In addition, ELS area in the West is forecast to reach 195,000 acres in 2013. Although 15 percent below 2012, the region will account for 95 percent of the total ELS acreage in 2013, which is slightly below last season.

U.S. 2012/13 Cotton Crop and Exports Increased

The 2012/13 U.S. cotton production estimate was raised this month to 17.29 million bales as indicated in the March 2013 NASS *Cotton Ginnings* report; upland production was increased to 16.5 million bales while the ELS crop was raised to 780,000 bales. USDA will release final production estimates for 2012/13 on May 10th. With beginning stocks unchanged in April, this season's cotton supply is now estimated at 20.65 million bales, nearly 2.5 million bales above 2011/12 but slightly below the supply in 2010/11.

In April, U.S. cotton demand was also increased with a higher export forecast for 2012/13. The U.S. export estimate was increased 250,000 bales to 13.0 million bales, reflecting strong shipments in recent weeks and the increased import demand expectations for China, a major destination for U.S. shipments. While 1.3 million bales above last season, the current 2012/13 forecast is equal to the 5-year average. Similarly, the U.S. share of world trade is expected to rise from about 26 percent in 2011/12 to 30 percent in 2012/13. While improving from a year ago, the U.S. share of global trade estimated for 2012/13 would be the second lowest of the century.

U.S. cotton mill use, on the other hand, remains estimated at 3.4 million bales, 100,000 bales above 2011/12 but still one of the lowest levels in more than a century. Mill use continues to exceed year-ago levels through the first 7 months of the 2012/13 marketing year. U.S. cotton mill use reached nearly 2.0 million bales for August-February this season, compared with 1.9 million bales in 2011/12, or about 3 percent above a year ago.

U.S. Ending Stocks Unchanged in April; Average Farm Price Revised

With offsetting adjustments to the supply and demand projections this month, U.S. cotton ending stocks remain estimated at 4.2 million bales. The ending stock estimate for the 2012/13 marketing year is 25 percent (850,000 bales) above 2011/12 and the highest in four seasons, as stocks have rebounded from recent extremely low levels. The current stocks-to-use ratio is now estimated at about 26 percent for 2012/13, compared with 22 percent last season and a recent low of 14 percent in 2010/11. With ending stocks rising this season, the U.S. farm price is forecast to decrease from last season's 88.3 cents per pound. The average price received by upland producers for 2012/13 is projected to range between 70.5 and 73.5 cents per pound, with the midpoint of 72 cents per pound the lowest in 3 years.

International Outlook

World Cotton Production Down in 2012/13

Global 2012/13 cotton production is estimated at 119.7 million bales, down 4 percent from a year earlier, as this month's USDA reduction for Brazil's crop is partially offset by an increase for the United States. Declining production is largely driven by a market environment that favored the cultivation of competing alternatives. Global 2012/13 harvested cotton area is estimated at 34.2 million hectares, down 4 percent from the preceding year. Global yield is estimated at 763 kg/hectare.

Brazil's 2012/13 crop is estimated at 5.8 million bales, a decline of 33 percent from the preceding year and an 8-percent (500,000 bales) reduction from the previous month. Record soybean and corn prices, disease outbreak, and erratic precipitation are expected to lower the crop in Bahia and Mato Grosso, which together account for over 80 percent of Brazil's total annual cotton production. The United States is expected to produce 17.3 million bales in 2012/13, a 2-percent increase from the previous month's estimate and 11 percent higher than the previous year's crop.

World Cotton Consumption and Ending Stocks Up in 2012/13

Global 2012/13 cotton consumption is estimated at 107.4 million bales, an increase of 4 percent from the preceding year. China—the world's leading cotton spinner—is expected to consume 36.0 million bales in 2012/13, down 5 percent from a year ago and the lowest consumption in nearly a decade. China's domestic policies have constrained domestic mill use, forcing the textile industry to purchase yarn from foreign markets, with Pakistan, India, and Vietnam the largest suppliers. However, China's mill use decline is expected to be more than offset by increases in other cotton consuming countries such as Bangladesh, India, Indonesia, Pakistan, Turkey, and Vietnam.

Bangladesh and India are estimated to consume 3.7 million bales and 22.0 million bales, respectively, up 12 percent and 11 percent from the previous year. In USDA's April *World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates* (WASDE) report, India's 2012/13 mill use estimate was raised by 250,000 bales from the previous month. Indonesia and Pakistan are expected to consume 2.2 million bales and 11.5 million bales, respectively, in 2012/13, reflecting increases of 16 percent and 15 percent from the preceding year. Mill use in Turkey and Vietnam is estimated at 6.1 million bales and 2.2 million bales, respectively, up 9 percent and 33 percent from a year ago.

With world production outpacing consumption, global 2012/13 ending stocks are estimated to rise 18 percent to 82.5 million bales. China is now projected to account for 55 percent (45.6 million bales) of global 2012/13 ending stocks, due to massive purchases for the national reserve. USDA's April revision increased China's ending stocks by 1.5 million bales, up 3 percent from the previous month, due to higher expected imports. The unprecedented increase in global ending stocks is estimated to raise the world 2012/13 stocks-to-use ratio to 77 percent, 9 percentage points above the previous year. Despite the recent surge in U.S. and world cotton market prices, rising world stocks are likely to depress the season averages below 2011/12.

World 2012/13 Cotton Trade Contracts as China Cuts Imports

World 2012/13 cotton imports are expected to decline 2 percent from a year ago to 43.7 million bales, due largely to a sharp decline in China's demand for foreign cotton. China is estimated to import 16.5 million bales in 2012/13, down 33 percent from the preceding year, but up 1.5 million bales from previous month's estimate, based on reports of additional allocations of import quotas to mills. At this current level, China will account for 38 percent of world cotton imports, down from a global share of 55 percent in the preceding marketing year. The decline in China's imports is partially offset by increased imports by Bangladesh, India, Indonesia, Pakistan, Thailand, Turkey, and Vietnam.

India is expected to export 7.0 million bales in 2012/13, up 1.5 million bales from the previous month and 37 percent lower than a year ago. USDA's April WASDE raised Australia's 2012/13 exports by 200,000 bales to 4.8 million bales from previous month's estimate based on the pace of season-to-date exports from the Southern Hemisphere country. The African Franc Zone nations of Burkina Faso and Mali are expected to export 975,000 bales and 900,000 bales in 2012/13, up 63 percent and 44 percent, respectively, from a year earlier. The United States is expected to export 13.0 million bales in 2012/13, representing an increase of 250,000 bales from the previous month and an 11-percent increase from 2011/12.

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

Item	2011/12	2012/13 Feb.	2012/13 Mar.	2012/13 Apr.
		Million acres		
Upland:				
Planted	14.428	12.077	12.077	12.077
Harvested	9.156	9.190	9.190	9.190
		Pounds		
Yield/harvested acre	772	849	849	862
		Million 480-lb. bales		
Beginning stocks	2.572	3.081	3.081	3.081
Production	14.722	16.250	16.250	16.510
Total supply 1/	17.307	19.336	19.336	19.596
Mill use	3.278	3.380	3.380	3.380
Exports	11.120	11.750	12.000	12.225
Total use	14.398	15.130	15.380	15.605
Ending stocks 2/	3.081	4.241	3.941	3.946
		Percent		
Stocks-to-use ratio	21.4	28.0	25.6	25.3
		1,000 acres		
Extra-long staple:				
Planted	307.4	238.4	238.4	238.4
Harvested	304.9	236.8	236.8	236.8
		Pounds		
Yield/harvested acre	1,340	1,540	1,540	1,581
		1,000 480-lb. bales		
Beginning stocks	28	269	269	269
Production	851	760	760	780
Total supply 1/	885	1,029	1,029	1,049
Mill use	22	20	20	20
Exports	594	750	750	775
Total use	616	770	770	795
Ending stocks 2/	269	259	259	254
		Percent		
Stocks-to-use ratio	43.7	33.6	33.6	31.9

1/ Includes imports. 2/ Includes unaccounted.

Sources: USDA, World Agricultural Outlook Board; and U.S. Dept. of Commerce, U.S. Census Bureau.

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Table 2--World cotton supply and use estimates

Item	2011/12	2012/13 Feb.	2012/13 Mar.	2012/13 Apr.
		Million 480-lb. bales		
Supply:				
Beginning stocks--				
World	49.44	69.03	68.98	70.16
Foreign	46.84	65.68	65.63	66.81
Production--				
World	124.10	118.95	119.87	119.70
Foreign	108.52	101.94	102.86	102.41
Imports--				
World	44.80	40.44	41.86	43.71
Foreign	44.78	40.43	41.86	43.70
Use:				
Mill use--				
World	102.98	106.24	107.11	107.44
Foreign	99.68	102.84	103.71	104.04
Exports--				
World	45.95	40.43	41.92	43.70
Foreign	34.24	27.93	29.17	30.70
Ending stocks--				
World	70.16	81.86	81.74	82.45
Foreign	66.81	77.36	77.54	78.25
		Percent		
Stocks-to-use ratio:				
World	68.1	77.1	76.3	76.7
Foreign	67.0	75.2	74.8	75.2

Source: USDA, World Agricultural Outlook Board.

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Table 3--U.S. fiber supply

Item	Dec. 2012	Jan. 2013	Feb. 2013	Feb. 2012
	1,000 480-lb. bales			
Cotton:				
Stocks, beginning	12,022	14,039	13,418	11,943
Ginnings	3,147	1,254	290	393
Imports since August 1	1.1	2.8	3.0	9.8
	Million pounds			
Manmade:				
Production	449.6	511.1	509.0	521.6
Noncellulosic	449.6	511.1	509.0	521.6
Cellulosic	NA	NA	NA	NA
Total since January 1	6,069.9	511.1	1,020.1	1,021.0
	Nov. 2012	Dec. 2012	Jan. 2013	Jan. 2012
	Million pounds			
Raw fiber imports:	143.7	126.8	148.2	148.5
Noncellulosic	130.3	114.6	135.8	133.4
Cellulosic	13.4	12.2	12.4	15.1
Total since January 1	1,692.9	1,819.7	148.2	148.5
	1,000 pounds			
Wool and mohair:				
Raw wool imports, clean	610.2	416.4	457.3	711.7
48s-and-finer	498.5	137.0	331.3	247.1
Not-finer-than-46s	111.8	279.4	126.1	464.6
Total since January 1	8,698.1	9,114.5	457.3	711.7
Wool top imports	426.8	446.7	426.3	376.2
Total since January 1	4,098.1	4,544.8	426.3	376.2
Mohair imports, clean	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total since January 1	7.2	7.2	0.0	0.0

NA = Not available.

Sources: USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service;

U.S. Dept. of Commerce, U.S. Census Bureau; and *Fiber Organon.*

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Table 4--U.S. fiber demand

Item	Dec. 2012	Jan. 2013	Feb. 2013	Feb. 2012
	1,000 480-lb. bales			
Cotton:				
All consumed by mills 1/	233	299	281	278
Total since August 1	1,397	1,695	1,976	1,924
Daily rate	11.1	13.0	14.1	13.9
Upland consumed by mills 1/	232	297	280	276
Total since August 1	1,390	1,687	1,967	1,913
Daily Rate	11.0	12.9	14.0	13.8
Upland exports	855	1,502	1,733	1,365
Total since August 1	3,369	4,871	6,604	5,322
Sales for next season	40	67	368	94
Total since August 1	543	609	977	584
Extra-long staple exports	42.4	75.4	66.0	59.2
Total since August 1	292.7	368.1	434.1	303.9
Sales for next season	0.0	0.0	35.3	3.9
Total since August 1	4.4	4.4	39.8	40.9
	Nov. 2012	Dec. 2012	Jan. 2013	Jan. 2012
	Million pounds			
Manmade:				
Raw fiber exports	52.4	49.5	51.2	50.9
Noncellulosic	51.9	49.1	50.7	50.5
Cellulosic	0.5	0.4	0.5	0.4
Total since January 1	630.1	679.6	51.2	50.9
	1,000 pounds			
Wool and mohair:				
Raw wool exports, clean	917.8	596.5	665.2	191.2
Total since January 1	7,144.2	7,740.6	665.2	191.2
Wool top exports	192.4	138.9	232.8	0.0
Total since January 1	921.9	1,060.8	232.8	0.0
Mohair exports, clean	35.0	130.8	1.7	0.0
Total since January 1	452.0	582.8	1.7	0.0

1/ Estimated by USDA.

Sources: USDA, Farm Service Agency; USDA, *Export Sales;*
U.S. Dept. of Commerce, U.S. Census Bureau; and *Fiber Organon.*

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Table 5--U.S. and world fiber prices

Item	Jan. 2012	Feb. 2013	Mar. 2013	Mar. 2012
		Cents per pound		
Domestic cotton prices:				
Adjusted world price	64.75	69.00	72.92	78.11
Upland spot 41-34	73.33	76.87	82.80	83.14
Pima spot 03-46	107.00	109.05	111.65	129.50
Average price received by upland producers	72.20	75.30	74.60	90.00
Far Eastern cotton quotes:				
A Index	85.97	89.86	94.74	99.72
Memphis/Eastern	88.15	92.06	97.06	101.90
Memphis/Orleans/Texas	87.80	91.69	96.81	101.55
California/Arizona	91.40	95.31	100.00	106.10
		Dollars per pound		
Wool prices (clean):				
U.S. 56s	NQ	NQ	NQ	NQ
Australian 56s 1/	3.99	3.95	4.00	4.04
U.S. 60s	NQ	NQ	NQ	NQ
Australian 60s 1/	5.79	5.76	5.63	7.72
U.S. 64s	NQ	NQ	NQ	NQ
Australian 64s 1/	5.87	5.86	5.84	6.68

NQ = No quote.

1/ In bond, Charleston, SC.

Sources: USDA, *Cotton Price Statistics* ; Cotlook Ltd., *Cotton Outlook* ; and trade reports.

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Table 6--U.S. textile imports, by fiber

Item	Dec. 2012	Jan. 2013	Feb. 2013	Feb 2012
		1,000 pounds 1/		
Yarn, thread, and fabric:	219,435	252,843	233,183	213,269
Cotton	46,701	53,632	49,718	47,266
Linen	19,383	25,325	17,409	16,580
Wool	3,359	3,556	3,127	3,149
Silk	530	547	429	604
Manmade	149,463	169,783	162,500	145,669
Apparel:	790,893	889,304	875,084	758,791
Cotton	451,947	499,299	499,440	443,760
Linen	7,011	9,831	10,398	10,180
Wool	16,110	18,543	17,178	14,731
Silk	7,283	10,045	10,302	8,653
Manmade	308,543	351,586	337,766	281,467
Home furnishings:	193,738	214,129	213,658	164,413
Cotton	106,733	123,563	123,263	100,501
Linen	987	920	864	650
Wool	259	403	315	341
Silk	148	146	175	86
Manmade	85,611	89,097	89,040	62,835
Floor coverings:	60,398	66,620	56,211	50,710
Cotton	7,205	7,884	6,696	6,144
Linen	14,812	18,082	15,384	12,956
Wool	10,405	9,271	7,793	7,204
Silk	1,797	1,618	1,205	1,571
Manmade	26,179	29,765	25,133	22,835
Total imports: 2/	1,264,806	1,423,363	1,378,474	1,187,837
Cotton	612,768	684,611	679,320	597,884
Linen	42,192	54,158	44,055	40,366
Wool	30,150	31,778	28,420	25,434
Silk	9,757	12,357	12,111	10,915
Manmade	569,939	640,458	614,568	513,238

1/ Raw-fiber equivalent. 2/ Includes headgear.

Sources: USDA, Economic Research Service; and
U.S. Dept. of Commerce, U.S. Census Bureau.
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Table 7--U.S. textile exports, by fiber

Item	Dec. 2012	Jan. 2013	Feb. 2013	Feb. 2012
	1,000 pounds 1/			
Yarn, thread, and fabric:	199,259	222,046	232,167	239,435
Cotton	106,822	117,058	125,091	126,828
Linen	5,177	6,127	6,454	6,882
Wool	1,935	2,272	2,238	2,736
Silk	949	994	936	958
Manmade	84,375	95,595	97,447	102,031
Apparel:	23,000	24,654	25,407	24,289
Cotton	9,744	10,788	10,969	10,894
Linen	398	402	426	453
Wool	1,339	1,272	1,402	1,234
Silk	1,257	1,127	1,347	1,083
Manmade	10,262	11,065	11,263	10,625
Home furnishings:	5,041	4,376	3,755	4,767
Cotton	2,294	2,140	1,746	2,386
Linen	319	216	185	154
Wool	213	157	149	96
Silk	218	148	114	96
Manmade	1,996	1,715	1,560	2,035
Floor coverings:	29,989	28,954	29,335	32,687
Cotton	2,232	1,985	1,959	1,921
Linen	1,176	972	897	891
Wool	3,102	2,883	2,715	3,204
Silk	33	17	47	20
Manmade	23,446	23,097	23,718	26,650
Total exports: 2/	257,391	280,138	290,767	301,273
Cotton	121,170	132,055	139,842	142,096
Linen	7,071	7,717	7,963	8,380
Wool	6,594	6,585	6,508	7,274
Silk	2,457	2,286	2,443	2,157
Manmade	120,099	131,494	134,011	141,367

1/ Raw-fiber equivalent. 2/ Includes headgear.

Sources: USDA, Economic Research Service; and U.S. Dept. of Commerce, U.S. Census Bureau.

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Table 8--U.S. cotton textile imports, by origin

Region/country	Dec. 2012	Jan. 2013	Feb. 2013	Feb. 2012
		1,000 pounds 1/		
North America	128,561	104,814	132,256	135,235
Canada	2,607	2,959	2,725	2,959
Costa Rica	961	199	789	799
Dominican Republic	5,925	3,982	6,358	5,560
El Salvador	20,595	13,232	18,309	20,637
Guatemala	6,976	6,580	7,761	6,846
Haiti	12,417	8,448	12,292	10,935
Honduras	31,609	17,598	28,209	29,025
Mexico	33,682	38,789	42,106	41,926
Nicaragua	13,760	13,026	13,653	16,544
South America	3,804	5,060	3,866	3,593
Brazil	121	93	132	221
Colombia	1,480	1,794	1,663	1,042
Peru	2,140	3,129	2,020	2,218
Europe	9,550	10,661	10,037	9,356
Germany	790	864	958	682
Italy	1,628	1,687	1,449	1,491
Portugal	1,086	1,194	1,108	872
Turkey	3,805	4,847	4,480	3,939
Asia	457,745	547,969	521,707	436,542
Bahrain	986	1,167	1,332	1,514
Bangladesh	35,130	52,851	51,747	45,803
Cambodia	16,769	18,211	17,091	18,241
China	207,309	234,107	229,485	166,266
Hong Kong	928	877	811	905
India	49,763	60,274	58,862	57,998
Indonesia	26,866	32,742	29,632	25,997
Israel	815	889	792	968
Japan	1,009	993	915	1,148
Jordan	4,200	4,267	4,333	4,053
Malaysia	2,613	3,207	2,963	2,489
Pakistan	46,315	64,599	52,625	49,778
Philippines	4,451	4,983	4,893	4,775
South Korea	4,989	5,998	5,040	5,332
Sri Lanka	6,376	7,697	6,420	7,058
Taiwan	2,643	2,664	2,471	2,721
Thailand	7,075	6,681	6,659	6,521
Vietnam	38,583	44,721	44,717	33,976
Oceania	29	27	10	15
Africa	13,079	16,081	11,444	13,143
Egypt	7,986	8,996	6,835	7,161
Kenya	1,703	1,694	1,250	1,813
Lesotho	1,881	3,033	1,522	2,159
Mauritius	488	892	727	651
World 2/	612,768	684,611	679,320	597,884

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

Sources: USDA, Economic Research Service; and
U.S. Dept. of Commerce, U.S. Census Bureau.
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Table 9--U.S. cotton textile exports, by destination

Region/country	Dec. 2012	Jan. 2013	Feb. 2013	Feb. 2012
	1,000 pounds 1/			
North America	103,380	109,254	113,224	126,902
Bahamas	58	147	87	80
Canada	8,358	10,138	8,660	9,463
Costa Rica	286	300	172	478
Dominican Republic	18,562	17,584	16,711	21,284
El Salvador	10,688	10,130	10,789	11,749
Guatemala	2,848	2,460	2,541	3,522
Haiti	799	485	817	654
Honduras	37,883	41,145	45,831	50,716
Jamaica	101	59	99	123
Mexico	22,000	24,850	25,749	26,253
Nicaragua	1,463	1,484	1,376	1,979
Panama	138	221	129	365
South America	2,512	3,040	3,684	2,465
Brazil	361	374	462	358
Chile	223	228	180	246
Colombia	1,128	1,554	2,042	552
Peru	222	353	357	313
Venezuela	278	239	374	681
Europe	3,418	3,221	2,919	2,988
Belgium	335	225	203	381
France	130	120	97	128
Germany	473	547	456	538
Italy	130	196	128	137
Netherlands	534	313	390	319
Russia	74	65	63	56
Turkey	120	52	47	41
United Kingdom	1,121	1,098	1,078	905
Asia	10,792	15,607	19,089	8,869
Bangladesh	21	1	1	28
China	6,931	12,353	15,924	4,487
Hong Kong	520	474	382	620
India	136	142	102	440
Israel	176	105	104	142
Japan	1,041	779	892	1,101
Pakistan	36	12	100	143
Saudi Arabia	101	125	123	136
Singapore	184	212	101	169
South Korea	489	390	390	428
Taiwan	77	58	88	131
United Arab Emirates	419	270	239	426
Oceania	733	733	702	650
Australia	533	529	547	490
Africa	335	171	223	222
South Africa	56	14	54	90
World 2/	121,170	132,055	139,842	142,096

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Sources: USDA, Economic Research Service; and
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Table 10--U.S. actual and projected cotton acreage

State/region	Actual 2011	Actual 2012	Projected 2013 1/	2013/2012
		1,000 *acres*		*Percent*
Upland:				
Alabama	460	380	360	95
Florida	122	108	115	106
Georgia	1,600	1,290	1,300	101
N. Carolina	805	585	450	77
S. Carolina	303	299	290	97
Virginia	116	86	65	76
Southeast	3,406	2,748	2,580	94
Arkansas	680	595	270	45
Louisiana	295	230	170	74
Mississippi	630	475	270	57
Missouri	375	350	270	77
Tennessee	495	380	280	74
Delta	2,475	2,030	1,260	62
Kansas	80	56	40	71
Oklahoma	415	305	160	52
Texas	7,550	6,550	5,500	84
Southwest	8,045	6,911	5,700	82
Arizona	250	200	160	80
California	182	142	90	63
New Mexico	70	46	30	65
West	502	388	280	72
Total upland	14,428	12,077	9,820	81
Pima:				
Arizona	10	3	1	33
California	274	225	190	84
New Mexico	3	2	4	167
Texas	20	8	11	138
Total Pima	307	238	206	86
Total All	14,735	12,315	10,026	81

1/ Planting intentions as indicated by reports from farmers.

Source: USDA, *Prospective Plantings* .

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