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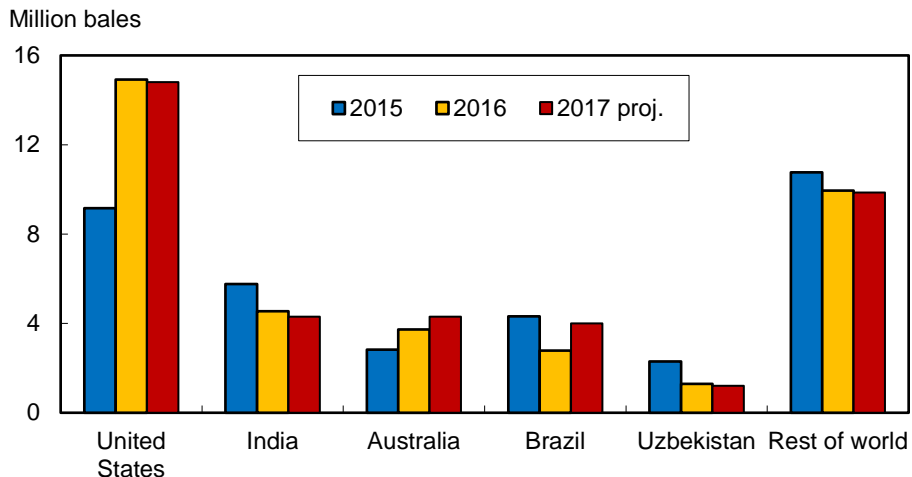
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The latest U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) projections for 2017/18 indicate that world cotton trade is forecast to expand 3 percent from last season and reach a 4-year high. Global trade is projected at 38.5 million bales in 2017/18, 1.2 million bales above last season. However, 2017/18 world cotton trade remains 17 percent below 2012/13's record of 46.5 million bales.

The rising trade outlook is largely attributable to the above-average growth expected in world cotton mill use in 2017/18. Most of the world's primary spinners of cotton rely on imports, and the leading importers this season are considered nonproducing countries. As a result, this import demand is satisfied by producing/exporting countries (fig. 1). In 2017/18, export prospects for the United States are once again expected to remain strong, while those from Brazil and Australia are forecast to increase as they harvest larger high-quality crops; these three countries are projected to attain a combined 60 percent of global trade. In contrast, cotton exports from India and Uzbekistan are forecast to decline again in 2017/18.

Figure 1
Leading cotton exporters



Note: 1 bale = 480 pounds.

Source: USDA, *World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates* reports.

Domestic Outlook

U.S. Cotton Crop Nearly Unchanged in December

The USDA December forecast of 2017 U.S. cotton production remains at 21.4 million bales, nearly 4.3 million bales (25 percent) above the 2016 crop, and the largest U.S. production since 2006, when 21.6 million bales were produced. Planted and harvested area this season are estimated at 12.6 million and 11.4 million acres, respectively, resulting in an abandonment rate of 10 percent. The 2017 national yield is forecast at a record 902 pounds per harvested acre, 4 percent (35 pounds) above last season. Improved conditions in the Southwest helped push the national yield higher in 2017. Upland cotton production is estimated at 20.7 million bales, the largest crop since 2006 and the fourth highest on record. The extra-long staple (ELS) crop is forecast at a relatively high level at 727,000 bales this season, compared with 569,000 bales in 2016. For current production estimates by State and region, see table 10.

Upland cotton production is estimated to increase for each of the Cotton Belt regions this season (fig. 2). The Southwest upland crop is forecast to approach 10.8 million bales in 2017, a record for the region. The largest harvested area in over 35 years in the Southwest, coupled with the second highest yield on record, pushed the region's crop 23 percent above 2016.

In the Southeast, 2017 cotton production is projected at 4.7 million bales, 900,000 bales above last season. Area and yield at the 5-year average are expected to produce a regional crop that is at a 3-year high; Southeast area is estimated at 2.5 million acres, while the yield is forecast at 899 pounds per harvested acre.

In the Delta, cotton production is forecast at 4.3 million bales, 1 million above 2016 and the largest in 6 years. Area reached 1.9 million acres for the first time in 5 years and the region's yield is estimated at 1,089 pounds per harvested acre, the third highest on record.

In the West, upland production is forecast at 905,000 bales in 2017, compared with 708,000 bales last season and a 5-year average of 809,000 bales. Higher area this season more than offset a below-average yield expectation.

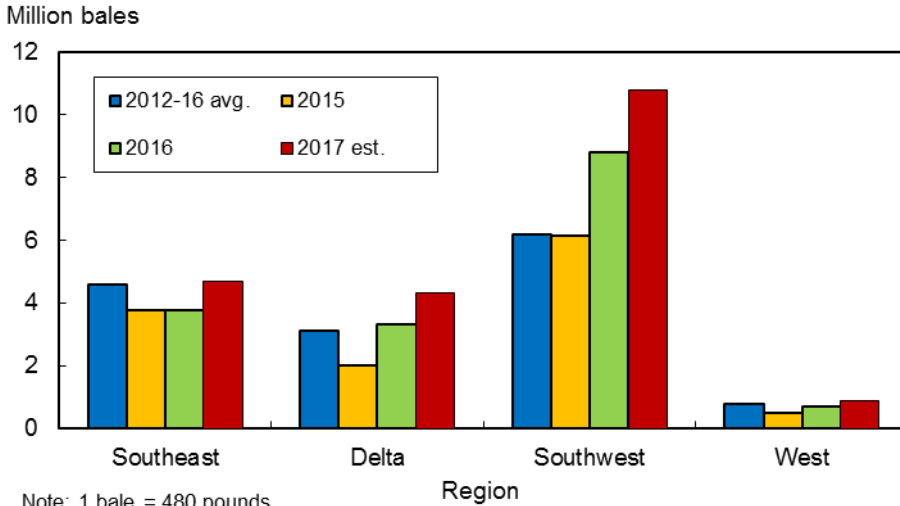
U.S. Cotton Export Estimate Revised; Ending Stocks Lower

Projected demand for U.S. cotton was increased in December with the export forecast rising to 14.8 million bales, 300,000 bales above the previous month and close to last season's exports of 14.9 million bales. Reduced production estimates for a number of countries, along with strong U.S. export commitments to date, pushed the forecast higher. Based on the current global trade estimate, the 2017/18 U.S. share of world cotton trade is forecast to reach 38.5 percent, a relatively strong share but below last season's 40 percent. U.S. cotton mill use remains projected at 3.35 million bales, 100,000 bales above 2016/17, as competition with synthetics has improved for cotton relative to last season.

With supplies similar to those projected in November, the export increase this month reduced the U.S. ending stock estimate by a similar amount. For 2017/18, ending stocks are currently projected at 5.8 million bales, 300,000 bales below last month's forecast but still over twice the beginning level. Both the stocks and the

stocks-to-use ratio—estimated at 32 percent—would be the highest since 2008/09. Based on the latest global supply and demand outlook for 2017/18, the U.S. upland cotton farm price is projected to range between 63 and 69 cents per pound, with the midpoint of 66 cents per pound 2 cents below the final 2016/17 estimate.

Figure 2
U.S. regional upland cotton production



Note: 1 bale = 480 pounds.

Source: USDA, *Crop Production* reports.

World Cotton Production Expands in 2017/18

Global cotton production in 2017/18 is projected at 120.0 million bales, nearly 13 percent (13.4 million bales) above last season, as a rebound in area and slightly higher yield expectations both contribute to an increase (fig. 3). World harvested area is forecast at 33.2 million hectares (81.9 million acres) this season—12 percent higher—as area increases are spread across numerous countries resulting from relative prices favoring cotton over competing crops. The global yield is forecast at 788 kg per hectare (703 pounds per acre), above the 5-year average.

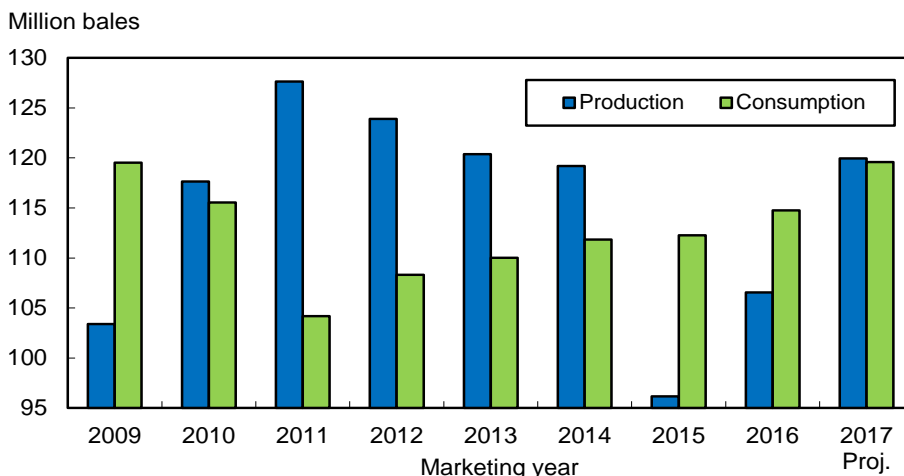
Cotton production is expected to rise for each of the top producers in 2017/18. For India—the largest producer—production is forecast to reach 29.5 million bales this season, 9 percent higher than 2016/17 and the highest since a similar amount was produced in 2014/15; a rebound in area is forecast to more than offset a reduction in yield for India this season.

For China, 2017/18 cotton production is projected at 25.0 million bales, the highest in 3 years. Harvested area is estimated at 3.1 million hectares—the highest since 2014/15—a reversal of the recent downward trend for China. Area is concentrated in the higher yielding Xinjiang region, resulting in an expected national yield of 1,742 kg per hectare, a record.

Pakistan’s production in 2017/18 is forecast at 8.2 million bales, 500,000 bales above last season as production rebounds from the previous two seasons. Although area is equal to that of 2015/16, yield expectations are not as favorable as those in 2016/17; gin arrival data has declined considerably recently and prompted this month’s crop forecast reduction for Pakistan.

For Brazil and Australia, cotton production estimates are expected to rise 11 percent and 16 percent, respectively. For Brazil, the 2017/18 increase is driven by area, where an estimated 1.1 million hectares will be harvested, and the highest in

Figure 3
Global cotton production and consumption



Note: 1 bale = 480 pounds.

Source: USDA, *World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates* reports.

4 years. Yield is projected at 1,544 kg per hectare, below last season's record of 1,621 kg per hectare but above the 5-year average. For Australia, the larger crop is a result of an anticipated rebound in yields for both dryland and irrigated areas for the 2017/18 crop. The irrigated share of Australia's production is also expected to be higher this year. Consequently, the national yield is projected to rise, reaching 2,047 kg per hectare, the highest in 3 years.

Global Consumption Growth Seen Above Average in 2017/18

World cotton consumption in 2017/18 is projected to expand 4 percent to 119.6 million bales, the largest year-to-year growth rate since 2009/10 when mill use rose over 8 percent. The improved global economic outlook and a more favorable price relative to synthetics is responsible for the largest global cotton consumption estimate in a decade.

China is the leading spinner of raw cotton, with mill use reaching an estimated 39.0 million bales in 2017/18, 4 percent above the preceding year and the highest since 2010/11. China—the largest supplier of textile and apparel products to the world—is expected to benefit from the expanding global economy this season.

India, Pakistan, and Vietnam are also forecast to see increased mill use of cotton, due in part to their continued yarn shipments to China. India's cotton mill use is projected at 24.75 million bales, up 3 percent from 2016/17 but similar to 2015/16. Pakistan is expected to spin 10.4 million bales of cotton in 2017/18, up slightly from a year ago and the highest in 3 years. Meanwhile, Vietnam continues to experience significant growth in its cotton consumption; in 2017/18, mill use in Vietnam is projected to reach a record 6.1 million bales, 13 percent above the previous season. In addition, cotton mill use is expected to increase in Bangladesh and Turkey, where gains of approximately 7.5 percent are expected in 2017/18.

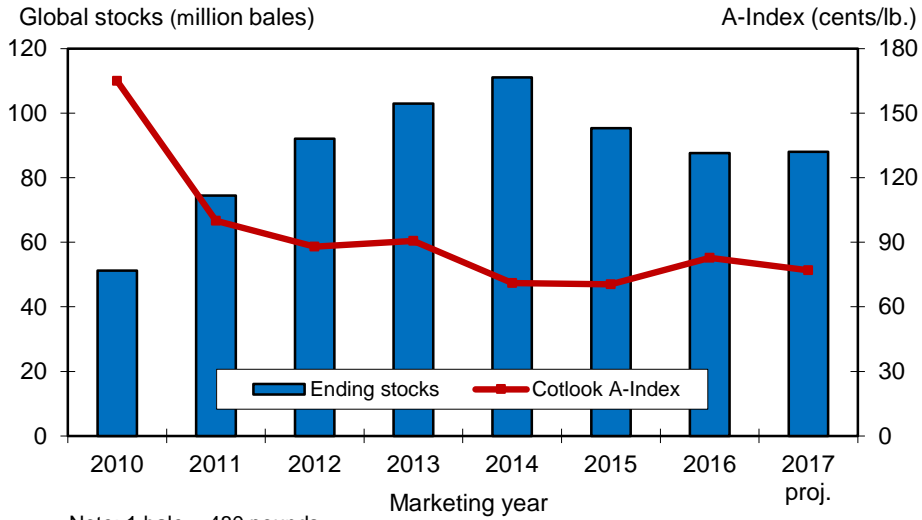
World Cotton Stocks Marginally Higher in 2017/18

Global cotton stocks are forecast at 88.0 million bales at the end of 2017/18, compared with nearly 87.7 million bales last season (fig. 4). Despite the slight increase, world stocks are well below the massive supplies held at the end of 2014/15. Global stocks in 2017/18 are forecast to rise in a number of countries, led by the United States and India. At the same time, however, stocks in China are expected to continue their decline that began in 2015/16.

While U.S. stocks are forecast to rise more than 3 million bales this season, stocks in India are projected to increase more than 2 million bales to approximately 13.2 million bales and account for 15 percent of global stocks. Meanwhile, China's stocks at the end of this season are forecast to be 39.7 million bales, or 45 percent of world stocks. Although the largest stockholder by far, China's share is at its lowest since 2011/12. In contrast, Brazil—the third largest stockholder in 2017/18—is expected to hold nearly 8.3 million bales at the end of the season, a record and accounting for more than 9 percent of the global total.

With world cotton stocks outside of China reaching a record high 48.3 million bales in 2017/18, cotton prices are expected to average lower. For 2017/18, the Cotlook A Index price is projected to decrease about 7 percent from 2016/17's 82.8-cent average.

Figure 4
Global cotton stocks and prices



Note: 1 bale = 480 pounds.
 Sources: Cotlook and USDA, Interagency Commodity Estimates Committee.

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

Item	2016/17	2017/18		
		Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
<i>Million acres</i>				
Upland:				
Planted	9.878	12.372	12.372	12.372
Harvested	9.320	11.163	11.163	11.163
Yield/harvested acre	855	877	888	891
<i>Million bales</i>				
Beginning stocks	3.664	2.686	2.686	2.686
Production	16.601	20.388	20.650	20.713
Total supply ¹	20.270	23.084	23.346	23.409
Mill use	3.221	3.320	3.320	3.320
Exports	14.303	13.850	13.850	14.150
Total use	17.524	17.170	17.170	17.470
Ending stocks ²	2.686	5.689	5.989	5.689
<i>Percent</i>				
Stocks-to-use ratio	15.3	33.1	34.9	32.6
<i>1,000 acres</i>				
Extra-long staple:				
Planted	194.5	246.5	246.5	246.5
Harvested	187.8	242.2	242.2	242.2
<i>Pounds</i>				
Yield/harvested acre	1,454	1,441	1,441	1,441
<i>1,000 bales</i>				
Beginning stocks	136	64	64	64
Production	569	727	727	727
Total supply ¹	707	791	791	791
Mill use	29	30	30	30
Exports	614	650	650	650
Total use	643	680	680	680
Ending stocks ²	64	111	111	111
<i>Percent</i>				
Stocks-to-use ratio	10.0	16.3	16.3	16.3

Note: 1 bale = 480 pounds.

¹Includes imports. ²Includes unaccounted.

Source: USDA, World Agricultural Outlook Board.

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Table 2--World cotton supply and use estimates

Item	2016/17	2017/18		
		Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
<i>Million bales</i>				
Supply:				
Beginning stocks--				
World	95.36	89.57	88.67	87.65
Foreign	91.56	86.82	85.92	84.90
Production--				
World	106.56	120.86	121.46	119.96
Foreign	89.39	99.75	100.08	98.52
Imports--				
World	37.62	38.20	38.03	38.48
Foreign	37.61	38.19	38.02	38.47
Use:				
Mill use--				
World	114.77	118.01	119.25	119.59
Foreign	111.52	114.66	115.90	116.24
Exports--				
World	37.23	38.22	38.04	38.46
Foreign	22.32	23.72	23.54	23.66
Ending stocks--				
World	87.65	92.38	90.88	88.00
Foreign	84.90	86.58	84.78	82.20
<i>Percent</i>				
Stocks-to-use ratio:				
World	76.4	78.3	76.2	73.6
Foreign	76.1	75.5	73.1	70.7

Note: 1 bale = 480 pounds.

Source: USDA, World Agricultural Outlook Board.

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Table 3--U.S. fiber supply

Item	Aug. 2017	Sep. 2017	Oct. 2017	Oct. 2016
<i>1,000 bales</i>				
Cotton:				
Stocks, beginning	2,750	2,153	1,951	2,688
Ginnings	585	679	3,811	3,945
Imports since August 1	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.1
<i>Million pounds</i>				
Manufactured fiber:				
Production	569.1	551.9	550.1	548.4
Noncellulosic	569.1	551.9	550.1	548.4
Cellulosic	NA	NA	NA	NA
Total since January 1	4,343.2	4,895.1	5,445.2	5,378.2
<i>Million pounds</i>				
	July 2017	Aug. 2017	Sep. 2017	Sep. 2016
<i>Million pounds</i>				
Raw fiber imports	197.7	176.6	174.3	167.5
Noncellulosic	183.1	161.2	158.4	152.9
Cellulosic	14.6	15.4	15.9	14.6
Total since January 1	1,317.4	1,494.1	1,668.4	1,733.5
<i>1,000 pounds</i>				
Wool and mohair:				
Raw wool imports, clean	341.0	627.6	486.6	330.1
48s-and-finer	52.1	525.5	339.1	104.7
Not-finer-than-46s	288.9	102.1	147.5	225.4
Total since January 1	3,754.8	4,382.5	4,869.1	4,729.7
Wool top imports	241.1	206.2	105.4	138.7
Total since January 1	1,537.1	1,743.3	1,848.6	2,366.0
Mohair imports, clean	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total since January 1	0.0	0.0	0.0	13.3

Note: 1 bale = 480 pounds. NA = Not available.

Sources: USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service; U.S. Department of Commerce, U.S. Census Bureau; and *Fiber Organon*.

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Table 4--U.S. fiber demand

Item	Aug. 2017	Sep. 2017	Oct. 2017	Oct. 2016
	<i>1,000 bales</i>			
Cotton:				
All consumed by mills ¹	285	277	288	295
Total since August 1	285	562	849	890
Daily rate	12.4	13.2	13.1	14.1
Upland consumed by mills ¹	282	274	285	293
Total since August 1	282	556	842	883
Daily rate	12.3	13.1	13.0	13.9
Upland exports	883	582	454	607
Total since August 1	883	1,464	1,918	2,232
Sales for next season	673	107	136	15
Total since August 1	673	779	915	456
Extra-long staple exports	16.2	22.3	20.8	39.1
Total since August 1	16.2	38.5	59.4	131.2
Sales for next season	0.0	20.5	0.0	0.0
Total since August 1	0.0	20.5	20.5	0.0
	July 2017	Aug. 2017	Sep. 2017	Sep. 2016
	<i>Million pounds</i>			
Manufactured fiber:				
Raw fiber exports	44.8	46.8	46.3	48.8
Noncellulosic	44.3	46.4	46.0	48.3
Cellulosic	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.5
Total since January 1	352.0	398.8	445.1	425.2
	<i>1,000 pounds</i>			
Wool and mohair:				
Raw wool exports, clean	1,812.6	1,192.6	555.4	1,187.0
Total since January 1	6,835.8	8,028.4	8,583.8	5,977.2
Wool top exports	133.3	132.4	65.9	81.7
Total since January 1	854.4	986.8	1,052.7	730.7
Mohair exports, clean	67.8	0.2	93.1	0.0
Total since January 1	292.3	292.5	385.6	212.0

Note: 1 bale = 480 pounds.

¹Estimated by USDA.

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

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

Item	Sep 2017	Oct. 2017	Nov. 2017	Nov. 2016
<i>Cents per pound</i>				
Domestic cotton prices:				
Adjusted world price	62.22	60.31	62.12	59.39
Upland spot 41-34	69.12	66.67	68.09	69.42
Pima spot 02-46	146.00	135.09	135.71	139.31
Average price received by upland producers	63.80	66.80	NA	67.20
Far Eastern cotton quotes:				
A Index	80.43	78.83	80.66	78.84
Memphis/Eastern	82.38	80.38	81.85	81.56
Memphis/Orleans/Texas	81.13	79.13	80.60	80.31
California/Arizona	82.08	81.38	82.85	81.81
<i>Dollars per pound</i>				
Wool prices (clean):				
U.S. 58s	NQ	NQ	3.23	NQ
Australian 58s ¹	4.50	4.29	4.33	3.89
U.S. 60s	3.60	NQ	3.56	2.66
Australian 60s ¹	4.82	4.86	4.82	NQ
U.S. 64s	4.55	NQ	NQ	NQ
Australian 64s ¹	5.77	5.70	5.81	4.90

NA = Not available. NQ = No quote.

¹In 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	Aug. 2017	Sep. 2017	Oct. 2017	Oct. 2016
<i>1,000 pounds</i>				
Yarn, thread, and fabric:	263,583	257,068	269,417	258,758
Cotton	57,181	53,079	56,231	58,117
Linen	16,186	17,911	21,732	17,060
Wool	4,062	3,648	4,052	4,117
Silk	695	676	695	588
Synthetic	185,460	181,754	186,707	178,877
Apparel:	1,212,238	1,146,477	1,112,653	1,086,482
Cotton	586,933	546,649	558,276	550,120
Linen	7,645	7,242	7,375	8,402
Wool	39,944	37,394	34,307	34,439
Silk	8,135	7,681	7,893	7,852
Synthetic	569,581	547,511	504,803	485,670
Home furnishings:	329,943	327,622	345,023	328,671
Cotton	152,274	153,108	151,113	148,881
Linen	1,570	1,506	1,480	1,092
Wool	466	477	748	460
Silk	252	275	228	212
Synthetic	175,383	172,257	191,455	178,026
Floor coverings:	97,888	87,854	100,145	85,098
Cotton	10,756	9,607	10,788	9,479
Linen	28,131	28,165	34,448	24,080
Wool	10,967	9,062	11,905	11,894
Silk	2,796	2,510	2,946	2,341
Synthetic	45,238	38,511	40,058	37,303
Total imports: ¹	1,926,596	1,840,890	1,845,327	1,776,692
Cotton	811,206	766,197	779,613	769,860
Linen	54,721	55,977	66,029	51,582
Wool	55,964	51,075	51,398	51,298
Silk	11,879	11,153	11,767	10,992
Synthetic	992,827	956,490	936,520	892,961

Note: Raw-fiber-equivalent pounds. Data for 2016 are revised.

¹Includes headgear.

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

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

Item	Aug. 2017	Sep. 2017	Oct. 2017	Oct. 2016
<i>1,000 pounds</i>				
Yarn, thread, and fabric:	249,536	237,139	252,183	245,932
Cotton	133,173	126,970	134,222	134,189
Linen	6,165	5,637	6,394	6,671
Wool	2,425	2,306	2,459	2,771
Silk	1,081	1,074	1,111	1,204
Synthetic	106,692	101,152	107,997	101,097
Apparel:	27,918	26,122	29,715	26,526
Cotton	12,009	10,696	12,305	12,004
Linen	362	413	396	336
Wool	2,888	2,492	2,770	2,163
Silk	1,581	1,218	1,509	1,149
Synthetic	11,078	11,304	12,735	10,875
Home furnishings:	5,132	4,035	4,549	3,537
Cotton	2,486	1,891	2,142	1,653
Linen	184	166	179	188
Wool	88	68	60	69
Silk	118	95	102	81
Synthetic	2,256	1,816	2,066	1,548
Floor coverings:	28,906	26,477	29,767	30,163
Cotton	2,343	2,160	2,312	2,380
Linen	1,296	1,097	1,308	1,184
Wool	1,769	1,387	1,890	1,691
Silk	58	64	49	64
Synthetic	23,439	21,769	24,208	24,844
Total exports: ¹	311,808	294,087	316,601	306,419
Cotton	150,117	141,823	151,107	150,309
Linen	8,018	7,325	8,294	8,387
Wool	7,185	6,266	7,197	6,704
Silk	2,838	2,450	2,771	2,498
Synthetic	143,650	136,224	147,233	138,522

Note: Raw-fiber-equivalent pounds. Data for 2016 are revised.

¹Includes headgear.

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

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

Region/country	Aug. 2017	Sep. 2017	Oct. 2017	Oct. 2016
<i>1,000 pounds</i>				
North America	138,843	131,996	132,414	127,481
Canada	2,684	2,726	3,113	3,053
Dominican Republic	7,603	7,310	7,746	7,156
El Salvador	18,051	16,199	16,882	17,353
Guatemala	9,005	6,766	7,302	6,918
Haiti	9,513	9,147	9,671	9,648
Honduras	30,686	29,364	26,537	25,813
Mexico	41,144	39,059	41,996	41,765
Nicaragua	20,078	21,376	19,090	15,641
South America	4,265	3,994	4,426	4,204
Colombia	1,826	1,712	1,772	1,649
Peru	2,075	2,070	2,302	2,308
Europe	23,348	20,368	20,295	20,767
Germany	1,136	1,168	1,170	956
Italy	1,488	1,034	1,388	1,602
Portugal	3,957	2,991	2,110	2,044
Turkey	13,847	11,629	12,756	12,230
Asia	627,485	596,797	606,669	604,016
Bahrain	1,031	1,382	1,315	1,209
Bangladesh	57,303	53,817	55,213	53,179
Cambodia	17,845	18,394	16,572	19,414
China	291,088	266,149	259,872	265,428
Hong Kong	832	1,141	1,084	777
India	79,650	77,883	83,579	79,028
Indonesia	23,793	23,378	24,572	25,133
Israel	528	399	568	541
Japan	1,343	1,014	1,271	1,332
Jordan	4,499	3,855	3,991	3,395
Malaysia	3,078	2,806	3,275	3,225
Pakistan	54,976	61,172	58,936	59,040
Philippines	3,546	2,894	3,685	3,768
South Korea	5,577	5,298	5,074	5,834
Sri Lanka	8,509	7,803	8,757	8,113
Taiwan	1,782	1,853	1,739	1,675
Thailand	4,256	3,771	4,769	4,239
Vietnam	65,878	62,307	71,073	67,577
Oceania	42	42	38	106
Africa	17,222	13,001	15,771	13,287
Egypt	8,413	5,491	6,340	4,160
Kenya	2,334	2,331	2,517	1,902
Lesotho	2,721	1,576	3,378	3,208
Mauritius	860	887	1,210	1,655
World ¹	811,206	766,197	779,613	769,860

Note: Raw-fiber-equivalent pounds. Data for 2016 are revised.

¹Regional totals may not sum to world totals due to rounding.

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

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Table 9--U.S. cotton textile exports, by destination

Region/country	Aug. 2017	Sep. 2017	Oct. 2017	Oct. 2016
<i>1,000 pounds</i>				
North America	126,368	118,621	127,113	123,567
Bahamas	213	271	185	194
Canada	10,821	8,950	9,012	8,712
Costa Rica	167	229	200	203
Dominican Republic	18,289	17,073	20,285	19,794
El Salvador	10,595	10,247	12,463	4,907
Guatemala	1,927	2,337	2,176	2,621
Haiti	804	756	790	845
Honduras	58,309	55,054	52,981	60,886
Mexico	21,596	20,437	25,052	21,748
Nicaragua	3,055	2,693	3,216	2,652
Panama	153	286	189	289
South America	5,101	5,676	6,351	5,820
Brazil	418	329	263	251
Chile	156	190	220	254
Colombia	2,878	2,755	3,629	3,641
Peru	1,305	1,931	1,824	1,305
Europe	2,726	2,666	2,907	2,658
Belgium	187	232	279	263
France	96	97	82	80
Germany	553	448	423	226
Italy	241	164	165	205
Netherlands	239	199	253	247
Spain	97	100	146	100
Switzerland	26	94	112	260
United Kingdom	772	863	695	864
Asia	12,315	11,681	11,110	12,826
China	7,423	6,608	5,469	9,015
Hong Kong	433	487	466	142
India	367	319	236	156
Israel	170	70	62	157
Japan	731	791	885	798
Saudi Arabia	51	138	205	54
Singapore	194	154	152	212
South Korea	479	584	442	456
Taiwan	172	133	133	154
United Arab Emirates	403	224	420	302
Vietnam	1,047	1,474	1,785	495
Oceania	499	534	724	560
Australia	404	388	568	360
Africa	3,108	2,645	2,901	4,877
Morocco	2,802	2,459	2,575	4,553
World ¹	150,117	141,823	151,107	150,309

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Table 10--Acreage, yield, and production estimates, 2017

State/region	Planted	Harvested	Yield	Production
	-- 1,000 acres --		Pounds/ harvested acre	1,000 bales
Upland:				
Alabama	435	428	931	830
Florida	100	98	882	180
Georgia	1,290	1,280	863	2,300
North Carolina	375	365	934	710
South Carolina	250	245	882	450
Virginia	84	83	1,203	208
Southeast	2,534	2,499	899	4,678
Arkansas	445	438	1,162	1,060
Louisiana	220	215	938	420
Mississippi	630	625	1,083	1,410
Missouri	305	297	1,172	725
Tennessee	345	340	1,031	730
Delta	1,945	1,915	1,089	4,345
Kansas	93	91	976	185
Oklahoma	580	555	951	1,100
Texas	6,900	5,800	786	9,500
Southwest	7,573	6,446	803	10,785
Arizona	160	158	1,534	505
California	91	90	1,600	300
New Mexico	69	55	873	100
West	320	303	1,434	905
Total Upland	12,372	11,163	891	20,713
Pima:				
Arizona	15	15	894	27
California	210	208	1,528	662
New Mexico	8	7	800	12
Texas	14	13	998	26
Total Pima	247	242	1,441	727
Total all	12,619	11,405	902	21,440

Note: 1 bale = 480 pounds.

Source: USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service, *Crop Production* report.

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