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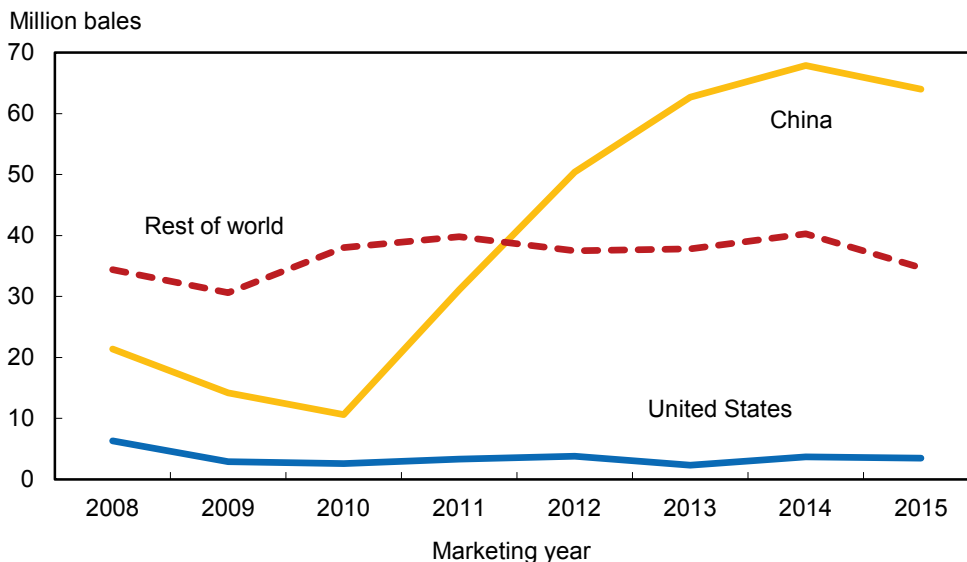
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The latest U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) cotton projections for 2015/16 indicate that global ending stocks are forecast at 102.2 million bales, about 9 percent (9.7 million bales) below 2014/15's record of nearly 111.9 million bales. Cotton stocks rose dramatically between 2010/11 and 2014/15 as relatively high prices encouraged world production and discouraged consumption. Despite this season's anticipated decrease, ending stocks remain double the 2010/11 level.

The recent global stocks buildup resulted from policies in China that insulated producers from declining world prices and, at the same time, also encouraged imports (fig. 1). More recent policy shifts, however, have discouraged production and limited imports, beginning the process of reducing the surplus of Government-held stocks. In 2015/16, China's stocks are expected to decrease for the first time since 2010/11. However, with stock reductions also expected in the rest of the world, China's share of global stocks remains above 60 percent; thus, the anticipated reserve stocks sales will impact the market for several years.

Figure 1
Global cotton ending stocks



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

Domestic Outlook

U.S. Cotton Area to Increase in 2016

U.S. cotton acreage in 2016 is projected to rise from last season's three-decade low. Based on the National Agricultural Statistics Service's (NASS) *Prospective Plantings* report that surveyed farmers as of early March, producers intended to plant 9.56 million acres to cotton in 2016. The initial projection is 1 million acres (11 percent) above 2015's plantings. Upland area is estimated at 9.35 million acres in 2016, while extra-long staple (ELS) area is forecast at 215,000 acres. These estimates will be updated at the end of June in NASS's *Acreage* report. As of April 10th, cotton planting was underway in several States, with 5 percent of the expected acreage planted (compared with 4 percent last season and the 2011-15 average of 7 percent).

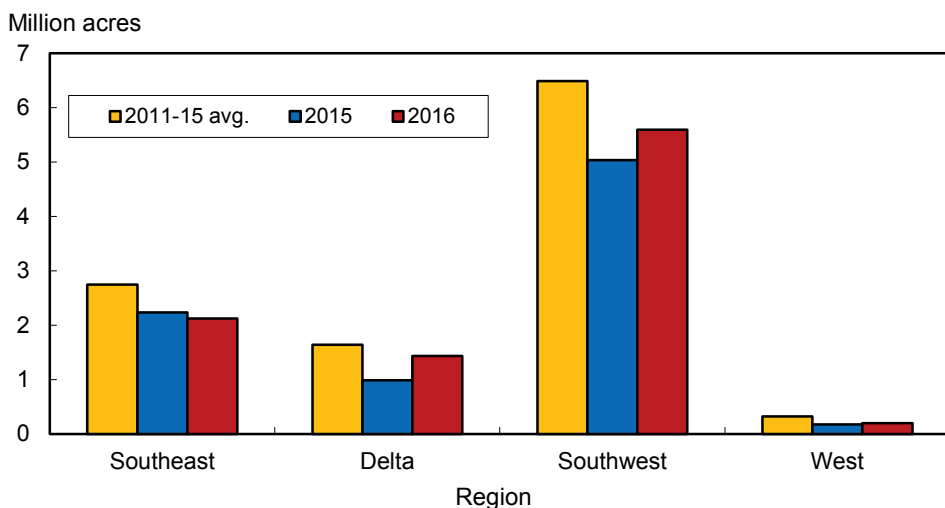
U.S. cotton area is projected to increase this spring due mainly to an expected improvement in planting weather. The 2016 indicated area is almost identical to the 2015 March planting intentions, but adverse weather prevented a significant portion from being planted last year. In addition, relative returns for 2016/17 have thus far favored cotton slightly over competing crops. Three of the four Cotton Belt regions are intending to plant additional cotton acreage this spring; only the Southeast is projected to plant fewer cotton acres in 2016, as corn is expected to expand there. In the Delta, corn and soybeans—like cotton—are all forecast to increase this spring, while the Southwest is projected to plant more cotton and corn. Overall, the 2016 upland cotton acreage is estimated to account for 19 percent of the Cotton Belt total for the three crops, similar to last season but one of the lowest of the last two decades.

The Southwest is expected to plant 5.6 million acres of upland cotton in 2016, about 560,000 acres (11 percent) above 2015, but still 14 percent below the 5-year average (fig. 2). The Southwest is expected to account for 60 percent of total U.S. upland cotton acreage in 2016 (similar to the last several years), which is the highest percentage in over a century. As a result, production prospects in this region will once again play a key role in the 2016 U.S. cotton crop.

In the Southeast, 2016 cotton plantings are projected to decrease slightly from a year ago to 2.1 million acres; however, corn plantings are expected to see gains as area devoted to soybeans and peanuts—like cotton—are anticipated lower this spring. For the Delta, cotton area is projected to rebound to near the 2014 level and reach 1.4 million acres in 2016, with both corn and soybean area expanding as well. However, with the recent flooding in the region, some corn area may be replanted to alternative crops, like cotton and soybeans.

Continued limited irrigation supplies in the West are expected to keep upland cotton at a relatively low level in 2016, albeit above the 2015 area. In 2016, upland cotton acreage is estimated at 200,000 acres, compared with 171,000 acres in 2015. With a declining trend that has continued for several decades, the West will account for only 2 percent of the upland acreage in 2016. Meanwhile, ELS area in the West is forecast to expand to 193,000 acres, 36 percent above 2015; the region will account for about 90 percent of U.S. ELS cotton area once again in 2016.

Figure 2
U.S. regional upland cotton planted area



Note: 2016 based on *Prospective Plantings* report.
 Source: USDA, NASS, *Crop Production* reports.

U.S. 2015/16 Cotton Crop Reduced Slightly; Demand Unchanged

The 2015/16 U.S. cotton production estimate was reduced this month to 12.87 million bales, as indicated in the March 2016 *Cotton Ginnings* report; upland production was placed at 12.44 million bales while the ELS crop was estimated at 430,000 bales. USDA will release final 2015/16 production estimates on May 10th. With beginning stocks unchanged in April, this season's cotton supply is now estimated at approximately 16.6 million bales, nearly 2.1 million bales below 2014/15.

U.S. cotton demand estimates were unchanged in April. U.S. exports remain projected at 9.5 million bales, down from nearly 11.3 million bales in 2014/15 and the lowest since 2000/01. With lower shipments, the U.S. share of global trade is expected to reach 27 percent in 2015/16, compared with nearly 32 percent in 2014/15. U.S. cotton mill use is forecast at 3.6 million bales, nearly identical to 2014/15; based on the latest data, U.S. mills have used 2 million bales during the first 7 months of the marketing year, similar to a year ago.

U.S. Ending Stocks and Farm Price Revised in April

With the decrease in U.S. production, ending stocks are now forecast at 3.5 million bales, 200,000 bales below a year earlier. The current stocks-to-use ratio is estimated at about 27 percent, compared with 25 percent for 2014/15. With a slightly higher stocks-to-use ratio this season, the U.S. farm price is forecast to decline from 2014/15's 61.3 cents per pound. The average price received by upland producers for 2015/16 is projected to range between 58 and 59 cents per pound, the lowest farm price since 2008/09's 47.8 cents per pound.

Global Cotton Production Lower in 2015/16

World 2015/16 cotton production is projected at 99.8 million bales, 16 percent below last season. India and China account for over half of the global crop, with India contributing 27 percent and China supplying 24 percent of the 2015/16 production. World cotton production has followed global cotton prices lower, with a fourth consecutive crop decline this season. Harvested area is estimated at 30.9 million hectares (76.4 million acres), the lowest since 2009/10. The global yield is projected at 702 kg/hectare (626 pounds per acre), compared with 762 kg/hectare last season and 2013/14's record of 799 kg/hectare.

USDA's April decrease of 420,000 bales in the 2015/16 world production estimate—largely in Côte d'Ivoire, Mali, and Brazil—pushed the global crop below 100 million bales for the first time since 2003/04. Of the major producing countries in 2015/16, only Australia's crop is expected to be higher than the year before.

World Cotton Consumption Marginally Lower

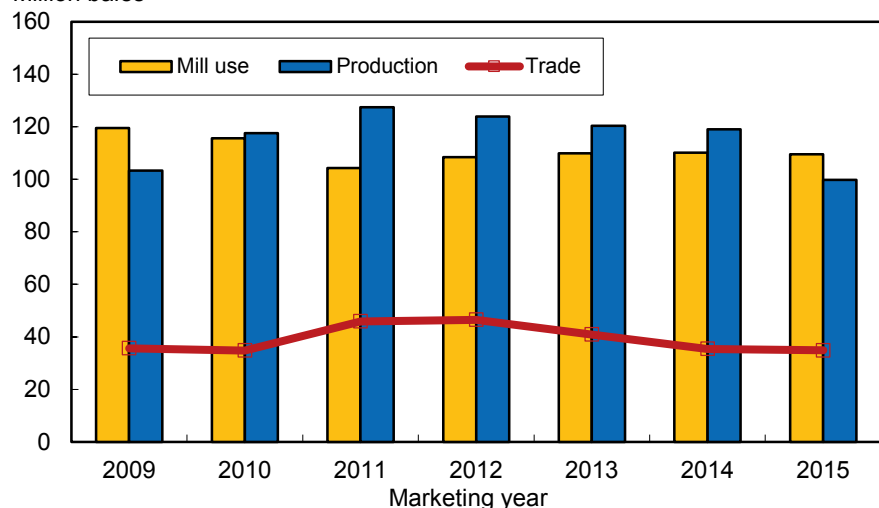
Global cotton consumption in 2015/16 is estimated at 109.6 million bales, less than 1 percent (600,000 bales) below the preceding season but similar to the previous 3-year average. With crop shortfalls around the globe this season, world cotton mill use will exceed production for the first time since 2009/10 (fig. 3).

China—the leading cotton spinner—is forecast to use 32.5 million bales of raw cotton in 2015/16, slightly below a year ago as yarn imports remain an important component for the textile industry. On the other hand, India's mill use is projected unchanged in 2015/16 at 24.5 million bales after rising for three consecutive seasons. However, consumption is expected higher in Bangladesh and Vietnam, where 2015/16 mill use is forecast near 5.8 million bales and 5.1 million bales, respectively. Textile and apparel expansion in these countries has continued as production costs—mainly labor—remain relatively low.

Figure 3

World cotton mill use, production, and trade

Million bales



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

Global Cotton Trade Lower in 2015/16; Stocks Reduced

World cotton trade is projected at 34.8 million bales for 2015/16, about 2 percent below the previous season and 25 percent lower than 2012/13's record of 46.5 million bales. Lower imports by China have largely reduced the amount of raw cotton that has been traded over the last several seasons, although increases by a number of other countries have partially offset China's reduction. In 2015/16, China is forecast to import only 5 million bales of raw cotton, compared with 24.5 million bales 4 years ago. Bangladesh, on the other hand, is expected to become the leading cotton importer this season (with imports near 5.7 million bales) as the country's textile industry continues its expansion.

Despite lower exports by the United States, most major cotton exporting countries are projected to have increased shipments in 2015/16. The decrease for the United States is largely attributable to this season's reduced crop, which limited exportable supplies. Cotton exports for India are forecast near 5.8 million bales in 2015/16, up 37 percent from a year ago. Australia's exports are expected to expand to nearly 2.8 million bales, or 15 percent above the 2014/15 level. Meanwhile, cotton exports by Brazil are projected at 4.3 million bales in 2015/16, 10 percent higher than last season.

With world cotton consumption exceeding production for the first time in several seasons, global 2015/16 ending stocks are estimated to decline 9 percent from 2014/15's record to 102.2 million bales. USDA's April world stock reduction of 1.1 million bales was attributable to a number of estimate revisions, including lower beginning stocks, lower production, and higher consumption. The largest stock revisions in April were noted for China and India, where ending stocks were reduced 500,000 bales and 350,000 bales, respectively, due to larger demand projections. At the end of 2015/16, these two countries are forecast to control 73 percent of global cotton stocks; by comparison, Brazil and the United States—the next largest stock holders—together will account for 9 percent of the total in 2015/16. Based on the latest estimate, the global stocks-to-use ratio is forecast at 93 percent, down from 102 percent last season and compared with a recent low of 40 percent in 2009/10.

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

Item	2014/15	2015/16		
		Feb.	Mar.	Apr.
<i>Million acres</i>				
Upland:				
Planted	10.845	8.422	8.422	8.422
Harvested	9.157	7.922	7.903	7.903
<i>Pounds</i>				
Yield/harvested acre	826	758	760	756
<i>Million 480-lb. bales</i>				
Beginning stocks	2.225	3.441	3.441	3.441
Production	15.753	12.508	12.508	12.440
Total supply 1/	17.987	15.954	15.956	15.918
Mill use	3.550	3.575	3.575	3.575
Exports	10.836	9.050	9.050	9.025
Total use	14.386	12.625	12.625	12.600
Ending stocks 2/	3.441	3.376	3.378	3.308
<i>Percent</i>				
Stocks-to-use ratio	23.9	26.7	26.8	26.3
<i>1,000 acres</i>				
Extra-long staple:				
Planted	192.4	158.5	158.5	158.5
Harvested	189.8	154.9	154.9	154.9
<i>Pounds</i>				
Yield/harvested acre	1,432	1,348	1,348	1,332
<i>1,000 480-lb. bales</i>				
Beginning stocks	125	259	259	259
Production	566	435	435	430
Total supply 1/	694	699	697	692
Mill use	25	25	25	25
Exports	410	450	450	475
Total use	435	475	475	500
Ending stocks 2/	259	224	222	192
<i>Percent</i>				
Stocks-to-use ratio	59.5	47.2	46.7	38.4

1/ Includes imports. 2/ Includes unaccounted.

Source: USDA, World Agricultural Outlook Board.

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Table 2--World cotton supply and use estimates

Item	2014/15	2015/16		
		Feb.	Mar.	Apr.
<i>Million 480-lb. bales</i>				
Supply:				
Beginning stocks--				
World	102.86	112.17	112.17	111.88
Foreign	100.51	108.47	108.47	108.18
Production--				
World	119.07	101.38	100.22	99.80
Foreign	102.75	88.44	87.28	86.93
Imports--				
World	35.63	35.08	34.92	34.89
Foreign	35.62	35.07	34.91	34.85
Use:				
Mill use--				
World	110.20	109.60	109.21	109.59
Foreign	106.63	106.00	105.61	105.99
Exports--				
World	35.38	35.11	34.90	34.84
Foreign	24.13	25.61	25.40	25.34
Ending stocks--				
World	111.88	104.08	103.34	102.22
Foreign	108.18	100.48	99.74	98.72
<i>Percent</i>				
Stocks-to-use ratio:				
World	101.5	95.0	94.6	93.3
Foreign	101.5	94.8	94.4	93.1

Source: USDA, World Agricultural Outlook Board.

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Table 3--U.S. fiber supply

Item	Dec. 2015	Jan. 2016	Feb. 2016	Feb. 2015
<i>1,000 480-lb. bales</i>				
Cotton:				
Stocks, beginning	8,805	11,132	11,313	12,840
Ginnings	3,214	1,193	274	332
Imports since August 1	2.1	8.2	22.9	4.8
<i>Million pounds</i>				
Manmade:				
Production	461.4	538.3	506.9	506.2
Noncellulosic	461.4	538.3	506.9	506.2
Cellulosic	NA	NA	NA	NA
Total since January 1	6,268.2	538.3	1,045.2	1,035.6
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	Nov. 2015	Dec. 2015	Jan. 2016	Jan. 2015
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<i>Million pounds</i>				
Raw fiber imports:	186.2	184.7	192.8	184.8
Noncellulosic	170.7	169.5	176.7	170.5
Cellulosic	15.5	15.2	16.1	14.3
Total since January 1	2,135.0	2,319.7	192.8	184.8
<i>1,000 pounds</i>				
Wool and mohair:				
Raw wool imports, clean	527.1	662.1	564.6	504.8
48s-and-finer	339.7	353.8	315.5	301.4
Not-finer-than-46s	187.5	308.3	249.1	203.4
Total since January 1	6,570.5	7,232.6	564.6	504.8
Wool top imports	352.0	181.4	257.9	303.9
Total since January 1	3,421.2	3,602.6	257.9	303.9
Mohair imports, clean	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total since January 1	0.0	0.0	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. 2015	Jan. 2016	Feb. 2016	Feb. 2015
<i>1,000 480-lb. bales</i>				
Cotton:				
All consumed by mills 1/	236	276	289	268
Total since August 1	1,440	1,716	2,005	2,016
Daily rate	10.2	13.1	13.8	13.4
Upland consumed by mills 1/	234	274	286	266
Total since August 1	1,430	1,704	1,990	2,000
Daily rate	10.2	13.0	13.6	13.3
Upland exports	605	704	803	1,171
Total since August 1	2,345	3,049	3,852	4,817
Sales for next season	79	120	78	158
Total since August 1	763	884	962	788
Extra-long staple exports	46.7	38.7	77.8	29.5
Total since August 1	169.1	207.8	285.6	137.3
Sales for next season	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total since August 1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
	Nov. 2015	Dec. 2015	Jan. 2016	Jan. 2015
<i>Million pounds</i>				
Manmade:				
Raw fiber exports	42.9	43.8	44.5	48.4
Noncellulosic	42.5	43.5	44.1	48.0
Cellulosic	0.4	0.3	0.4	0.4
Total since January 1	532.6	576.4	44.5	48.4
<i>1,000 pounds</i>				
Wool and mohair:				
Raw wool exports, clean	435.7	460.6	303.5	119.3
Total since January 1	7,386.7	7,847.3	303.5	119.3
Wool top exports	123.3	67.9	114.7	2.0
Total since January 1	488.4	556.3	114.7	2.0
Mohair exports, clean	59.8	111.1	28.8	366.4
Total since January 1	1,081.3	1,192.4	28.8	366.4

1/ Estimated by USDA.

Sources: USDA, Farm Service Agency; USDA, Foreign Agricultural Service, U.S. 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. 2016	Feb. 2016	Mar. 2016	Mar. 2015
	<i>Cents per pound</i>			
Domestic cotton prices:				
Adjusted world price	47.10	45.32	44.23	47.76
Upland spot 41-34	60.69	58.06	55.96	60.65
Pima spot 02-46	135.29	129.50	128.95	159.73
Average price received by upland producers	58.00	57.20	NA	61.30
Far Eastern cotton quotes:				
A Index	68.61	66.59	65.45	69.13
Memphis/Eastern	74.13	71.19	69.25	72.88
Memphis/Orleans/Texas	71.63	68.88	66.80	72.13
California/Arizona	75.13	72.13	70.05	75.81
	<i>Dollars per pound</i>			
Wool prices (clean):				
U.S. 58s	NQ	NQ	3.04	2.90
Australian 58s 1/	3.51	3.61	3.78	3.65
U.S. 60s	NQ	NQ	3.35	NQ
Australian 60s 1/	4.01	NQ	NQ	3.92
U.S. 64s	NQ	NQ	3.79	NQ
Australian 64s 1/	4.53	4.65	4.72	4.21

NA = Not available. NQ = No quote.

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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. 2015	Jan. 2016	Feb. 2016	Feb. 2015
	<i>1,000 pounds 1/</i>			
Yarn, thread, and fabric:	254,981	270,140	271,075	238,202
Cotton	52,781	55,585	55,986	45,731
Linen	24,382	24,134	22,293	19,842
Wool	3,909	3,730	3,919	3,701
Silk	548	756	841	476
Manmade	173,361	185,934	188,036	168,453
Apparel:	866,698	925,463	991,057	852,275
Cotton	467,062	482,381	527,549	460,310
Linen	6,826	9,645	11,544	9,002
Wool	19,765	21,460	22,473	19,221
Silk	7,041	9,445	10,516	9,761
Manmade	366,004	402,532	418,976	353,981
Home furnishings:	230,283	237,725	241,236	201,404
Cotton	124,080	130,465	136,277	115,197
Linen	995	1,134	1,106	1,013
Wool	264	483	437	306
Silk	156	162	157	124
Manmade	104,789	105,481	103,258	84,764
Floor coverings:	68,913	78,395	81,151	61,621
Cotton	9,333	9,328	9,762	7,887
Linen	19,330	24,429	26,216	15,538
Wool	10,477	9,859	10,245	8,381
Silk	1,942	2,541	2,611	1,739
Manmade	27,832	32,239	32,317	28,076
Total imports: 2/	1,421,142	1,512,012	1,584,853	1,353,786
Cotton	653,423	677,922	729,794	629,315
Linen	51,533	59,342	61,158	45,395
Wool	34,423	35,534	37,081	31,613
Silk	9,686	12,904	14,126	12,100
Manmade	672,077	726,310	742,693	635,363

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. 2015	Jan. 2016	Feb. 2016	Feb. 2015
	<i>1,000 pounds 1/</i>			
Yarn, thread, and fabric:	206,123	231,363	239,520	241,404
Cotton	104,008	125,792	128,906	131,710
Linen	5,445	5,631	6,392	6,377
Wool	3,734	2,910	2,772	2,480
Silk	972	936	1,099	933
Manmade	91,964	96,094	100,350	99,903
Apparel:	19,736	20,091	21,564	23,837
Cotton	8,664	8,870	9,544	10,878
Linen	347	397	350	505
Wool	1,221	1,198	1,467	1,198
Silk	755	1,000	1,022	857
Manmade	8,748	8,627	9,182	10,399
Home furnishings:	3,092	2,455	2,892	4,434
Cotton	1,363	1,182	1,403	2,132
Linen	146	124	145	325
Wool	107	49	51	99
Silk	90	66	98	134
Manmade	1,387	1,034	1,194	1,744
Floor coverings:	22,871	23,192	23,459	26,494
Cotton	1,879	1,956	1,934	1,972
Linen	1,061	1,018	992	966
Wool	1,091	1,260	1,091	1,495
Silk	23	15	49	26
Manmade	18,817	18,944	19,392	22,035
Total exports: 2/	251,872	277,151	287,499	296,232
Cotton	115,948	137,833	141,831	146,735
Linen	6,998	7,170	7,879	8,173
Wool	6,154	5,418	5,383	5,272
Silk	1,840	2,017	2,270	1,951
Manmade	120,931	124,713	130,137	134,101

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

Sources: USDA, Economic Research Service; 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. 2015	Jan. 2016	Feb. 2016	Feb. 2015
<i>1,000 pounds 1/</i>				
North America	129,966	108,107	145,060	137,760
Canada	2,534	2,873	3,072	3,100
Dominican Republic	7,926	6,257	10,573	8,252
El Salvador	19,897	14,151	17,670	18,627
Guatemala	6,844	7,842	7,634	8,273
Haiti	14,295	9,051	15,549	13,931
Honduras	28,474	19,331	31,002	29,080
Mexico	35,360	34,670	39,559	38,342
Nicaragua	14,615	13,918	19,973	18,135
South America	4,505	3,923	4,073	3,274
Colombia	2,015	1,589	1,618	1,039
Peru	2,226	2,005	2,288	2,079
Europe	12,916	12,078	13,541	10,290
Germany	1,032	666	880	942
Italy	1,599	1,564	1,684	1,457
Portugal	1,502	1,302	1,376	1,190
Turkey	6,005	5,802	6,846	4,636
Asia	490,596	539,745	555,187	465,827
Bahrain	1,704	1,761	2,497	1,695
Bangladesh	45,536	57,770	55,205	50,309
Cambodia	13,825	13,745	16,690	14,569
China	202,283	224,428	232,964	183,541
Hong Kong	1,205	1,415	1,439	878
India	63,024	70,220	75,548	64,412
Indonesia	22,910	23,740	25,442	21,941
Israel	531	696	493	563
Japan	1,469	1,186	1,156	828
Jordan	3,465	3,941	3,399	4,033
Malaysia	2,300	2,367	3,059	2,581
Pakistan	59,161	56,968	55,664	53,861
Philippines	3,227	3,131	2,927	3,063
South Korea	5,298	5,698	4,658	3,433
Sri Lanka	8,148	8,039	8,268	7,466
Taiwan	1,944	2,029	1,832	1,709
Thailand	4,962	4,421	5,568	4,162
Vietnam	48,698	57,388	57,217	45,664
Oceania	56	29	18	25
Africa	15,383	14,039	11,916	12,140
Egypt	7,159	7,264	5,877	7,318
Kenya	2,497	2,520	2,182	1,986
Lesotho	3,127	2,181	1,396	1,074
Mauritius	1,169	775	1,037	778
World 2/	653,423	677,922	729,794	629,315

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. 2015	Jan. 2016	Feb. 2016	Feb. 2015
	<i>1,000 pounds 1/</i>			
North America	94,694	116,628	118,552	126,983
Bahamas	183	76	166	255
Canada	6,357	6,645	7,333	9,427
Costa Rica	404	286	333	345
Dominican Republic	12,302	18,740	17,729	17,873
El Salvador	4,225	7,159	4,732	7,862
Guatemala	1,595	2,152	2,490	2,538
Haiti	665	754	628	570
Honduras	46,387	56,897	59,225	59,277
Mexico	19,393	20,953	22,727	25,633
Nicaragua	2,550	2,521	2,642	2,656
Panama	147	129	196	220
South America	3,728	4,180	4,838	5,734
Brazil	432	169	296	410
Chile	103	190	200	196
Colombia	2,187	2,881	3,197	2,495
Peru	732	688	839	1,946
Europe	3,302	3,264	4,016	2,942
Belgium	325	209	163	226
France	79	76	116	174
Germany	301	369	342	358
Italy	189	152	160	210
Monaco	1,011	1,009	1,261	175
Netherlands	172	233	332	231
United Kingdom	644	737	820	1,034
Asia	11,442	11,012	11,552	10,284
China	8,008	7,003	7,578	6,089
Hong Kong	620	618	389	417
India	208	191	334	207
Israel	118	151	213	129
Japan	776	701	954	1,157
Saudi Arabia	98	90	46	119
Singapore	89	160	159	237
South Korea	405	596	526	579
Taiwan	101	62	150	116
United Arab Emirates	409	546	567	354
Vietnam	112	421	212	77
Oceania	607	450	431	460
Australia	495	321	362	320
New Zealand	88	115	56	130
Africa	2,174	2,299	2,443	333
Morocco	1,883	2,052	2,144	168
World 2/	115,948	137,833	141,831	146,735

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 10--U.S. actual and projected cotton acreage

State/region	Actual 2014	Actual 2015	Projected 2016 1/	2016/2015
	1,000 acres			<i>Percent</i>
Upland:				
Alabama	350	315	320	102
Florida	107	85	90	106
Georgia	1,380	1,130	1,150	102
N. Carolina	465	385	290	75
S. Carolina	280	235	190	81
Virginia	87	85	80	94
Southeast	2,669	2,235	2,120	95
Arkansas	335	210	330	157
Louisiana	170	115	150	130
Mississippi	425	320	450	141
Missouri	250	185	270	146
Tennessee	275	155	235	152
Delta	1,455	985	1,435	146
Kansas	31	16	22	138
Oklahoma	240	215	270	126
Texas	6,200	4,800	5,300	110
Southwest	6,471	5,031	5,592	111
Arizona	150	89	115	129
California	57	47	45	96
New Mexico	43	35	40	114
West	250	171	200	117
Total upland	10,845	8,422	9,347	111
Pima:				
Arizona	15	18	20	114
California	155	117	165	141
New Mexico	5	7	8	114
Texas	17	17	22	129
Total Pima	192	159	215	136
Total all	11,037	8,581	9,562	111

1/ Planting intentions as indicated by reports from farmers.

Source: USDA, *Prospective Plantings*.

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