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

Item	2019/20	2020/21		
		Nov.	Dec.	Jan.
<i>Million acres</i>				
Upland:				
Planted	13.507	11.915	11.915	11.890
Harvested	11.389	8.812	8.812	8.507
<i>Pounds</i>				
Yield/harvested acre	810	901	839	813
<i>Million bales</i>				
Beginning stocks	4.636	6.868	6.868	6.868
Production	19.227	16.535	15.395	14.401
Total supply ¹	23.863	23.403	22.263	21.269
Mill use	2.135	2.480	2.480	2.385
Exports	15.021	13.950	14.300	14.500
Total use	17.156	16.430	16.780	16.885
Ending stocks ²	6.868	6.928	5.481	4.428
<i>Percent</i>				
Stocks-to-use ratio	40.0	42.2	32.7	26.2
<i>1,000 acres</i>				
Extra-long staple:				
Planted	228.7	200.5	200.5	202.5
Harvested	223.5	193.3	193.3	194.5
<i>Pounds</i>				
Yield/harvested acre	1,472	1,383	1,376	1,362
<i>1,000 bales</i>				
Beginning stocks	214	382	382	382
Production	686	557	554	552
Total supply ¹	903	942	939	937
Mill use	15	20	20	15
Exports	506	650	700	750
Total use	521	670	720	765
Ending stocks ²	382	272	219	172
<i>Percent</i>				
Stocks-to-use ratio	73.3	40.6	30.4	22.5

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	2019/20	2020/21		
		Nov.	Dec.	Jan.
<i>Million bales</i>				
Supply:				
Beginning stocks--				
World	80.27	99.59	99.42	99.28
Foreign	75.42	92.34	92.17	92.03
Production--				
World	122.14	116.11	113.90	112.87
Foreign	102.22	99.02	97.95	97.91
Imports--				
World	40.68	42.84	43.17	43.55
Foreign	40.68	42.83	43.16	43.54
Use:				
Mill use--				
World	102.61	114.05	115.63	115.73
Foreign	100.46	111.55	113.13	113.33
Exports--				
World	41.24	42.87	43.21	43.56
Foreign	25.71	28.27	28.21	28.31
Ending stocks--				
World	99.28	101.44	97.52	96.32
Foreign	92.03	94.24	91.82	91.72
<i>Percent</i>				
Stocks-to-use ratio:				
World	96.8	88.9	84.3	83.2
Foreign	91.6	84.5	81.2	80.9

Note: 1 bale = 480 pounds.

Source: USDA, World Agricultural Outlook Board.

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Table 3—U.S. fiber supply

Item	Sep. 2020	Oct. 2020	Nov. 2020	Nov. 2019
<i>1,000 bales</i>				
Cotton:				
Stocks, beginning	5,887	5,338	7,185	7,870
Ginnings	643	3,146	5,719	6,834
Imports since August 1	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.8
<i>1,000 pounds</i>				
Wool and mohair:				
Raw wool imports, clean	963.7	483.9	397.0	667.5
48s-and-finer	733.4	196.7	138.3	247.5
Not-finer-than-46s	230.3	287.2	258.7	420.0
Total since January 1	4,706.7	5,190.6	5,587.5	7,255.6
Wool top imports	16.6	33.0	57.9	18.1
Total since January 1	659.3	692.3	750.3	1,273.5
Mohair imports, clean	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total since January 1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Note: 1 bale = 480 pounds.

Sources: USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service; U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census.

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Table 4—U.S. fiber demand

Item	Sep. 2020	Oct. 2020	Nov. 2020	Nov. 2019
	<i>1,000 bales</i>			
Cotton:				
All consumed by mills ¹	196	212	205	235
Total since August 1	385	596	801	1,011
Daily rate	8.9	9.6	9.8	11.2
Upland consumed by mills ¹	195	210	204	233
Total since August 1	383	593	797	1,005
Daily rate	8.9	9.6	9.7	11.1
Upland exports	936	1,019	1,061	688
Total since August 1	2,361	3,380	4,441	3,247
Sales for next season	118	100	101	90
Total since August 1	498	598	700	1,011
Extra-long staple exports	60.6	69.0	103.0	30.9
Total since August 1	104.9	173.9	276.7	140.4
Sales for next season	0.3	0.0	0.0	1.0
Total since August 1	0.7	0.7	0.7	34.8
	<i>1,000 pounds</i>			
Wool and mohair:				
Raw wool exports, clean	154.0	512.2	399.0	443.0
Total since January 1	3,089.1	3,601.3	4,000.3	7,679.7
Wool top exports	47.7	34.6	58.4	51.3
Total since January 1	376.9	411.5	469.9	944.2
Mohair exports, clean	29.2	0.0	59.3	0.0
Total since January 1	183.7	183.7	243.0	201.0

Note: 1 bale = 480 pounds.

¹Estimated by USDA.

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

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Table 5—U.S. and world fiber prices

Item	Oct. 2020	Nov. 2020	Dec. 2020	Dec. 2019
<i>Cents per pound</i>				
Domestic cotton prices:				
Adjusted world price	53.73	57.05	60.51	57.30
Upland spot 41-34	63.87	66.30	70.37	62.39
Pima spot 02-46	110.00	110.00	112.00	112.86
Average price received by upland producers	60.10	63.40	NA	61.60
Far Eastern cotton quotes:				
A Index	74.51	77.86	81.01	75.13
Memphis/Eastern	79.30	81.44	84.00	76.08
Memphis/Orleans/Texas	78.80	80.94	83.50	75.58
California/Arizona	NQ	NQ	NQ	NQ
<i>Dollars per pound</i>				
Wool prices (clean):				
U.S. 58s	NQ	NQ	NQ	NQ
Australian 58s ¹	NQ	NQ	NQ	NQ
U.S. 60s	2.46	NQ	NQ	NQ
Australian 60s ¹	NQ	NQ	NQ	NQ
U.S. 64s	3.22	NQ	NQ	NQ
Australian 64s ¹	3.74	4.10	4.19	5.50

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	Sep. 2020	Oct. 2020	Nov. 2020	Nov. 2019
	<i>1,000 pounds</i>			
Yarn, thread, and fabric:	310,843	319,881	323,989	253,691
Cotton	76,435	78,075	77,214	52,904
Linen	26,414	24,504	24,930	20,453
Wool	4,341	4,624	4,852	3,837
Silk	610	530	571	435
Synthetic	203,044	212,148	216,422	176,061
Apparel:	1,168,049	1,215,288	968,626	870,749
Cotton	536,635	585,799	492,142	453,047
Linen	7,145	7,031	5,891	5,542
Wool	29,231	28,773	18,742	20,712
Silk	10,811	11,040	10,934	7,774
Synthetic	584,226	582,645	440,917	383,674
Home furnishings:	401,361	491,074	454,714	351,941
Cotton	174,416	218,137	198,076	160,597
Linen	2,452	2,573	3,469	2,825
Wool	666	578	835	700
Silk	479	649	581	457
Synthetic	223,347	269,136	251,753	187,361
Floor coverings:	141,666	152,512	142,724	114,080
Cotton	17,083	19,312	17,437	14,239
Linen	55,598	61,195	54,337	45,568
Wool	10,809	10,622	9,979	9,251
Silk	3,811	5,006	4,066	2,706
Synthetic	54,366	56,376	56,905	42,316
Total imports: ¹	2,041,514	2,196,921	1,904,223	1,603,744
Cotton	805,875	903,887	786,827	683,159
Linen	92,536	96,119	89,269	75,183
Wool	45,550	45,130	34,763	34,757
Silk	15,712	17,226	16,158	11,374
Synthetic	1,081,841	1,134,559	977,206	799,271

Note: Raw-fiber-equivalent pounds.

¹Includes headgear.

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

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

Item	Sep. 2020	Oct. 2020	Nov. 2020	Nov. 2019
	<i>1,000 pounds</i>			
Yarn, thread, and fabric:	199,278	220,187	190,964	216,650
Cotton	97,586	106,816	93,312	118,200
Linen	6,432	5,908	5,126	5,498
Wool	2,457	2,709	2,701	2,015
Silk	923	1,029	899	816
Synthetic	91,880	103,725	88,926	90,121
Apparel:	26,044	28,415	28,393	25,118
Cotton	9,780	11,446	11,538	10,828
Linen	619	816	771	558
Wool	2,498	2,927	2,657	2,250
Silk	2,210	2,794	2,523	1,843
Synthetic	10,937	10,431	10,904	9,641
Home furnishings:	4,743	5,573	5,187	5,469
Cotton	2,239	2,644	2,286	2,705
Linen	144	161	163	129
Wool	63	78	105	135
Silk	43	79	78	43
Synthetic	2,253	2,611	2,555	2,457
Floor coverings:	20,793	21,855	19,865	21,152
Cotton	1,695	1,873	1,786	1,670
Linen	1,135	1,188	1,112	870
Wool	1,342	1,417	1,464	1,403
Silk	69	61	58	50
Synthetic	16,552	17,316	15,446	17,160
Total exports: ¹	251,140	276,408	244,699	268,767
Cotton	111,394	122,898	109,019	133,535
Linen	8,342	8,088	7,183	7,071
Wool	6,373	7,145	6,939	5,818
Silk	3,244	3,963	3,557	2,752
Synthetic	121,786	134,315	118,000	119,592

Note: Raw-fiber-equivalent pounds.

¹Includes headgear.

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

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

Region/country	Sep. 2020	Oct. 2020	Nov. 2020	Nov. 2019
	<i>1,000 pounds</i>			
North America	116,250	127,052	111,626	114,577
Canada	3,237	3,124	3,016	2,546
Dominican Republic	6,977	7,454	10,044	6,637
El Salvador	14,945	13,128	10,771	12,156
Guatemala	7,753	9,213	6,780	5,978
Haiti	8,722	10,712	10,225	8,864
Honduras	25,615	27,890	19,748	27,150
Mexico	28,495	31,083	29,897	32,580
Nicaragua	20,463	24,393	21,085	18,595
South America	3,061	3,695	3,685	3,265
Colombia	903	843	1,251	1,719
Peru	2,000	2,647	2,159	1,334
Europe	23,181	28,295	24,320	19,747
Germany	1,097	1,059	1,041	1,145
Italy	1,248	1,409	1,648	1,610
Portugal	2,978	2,844	2,931	2,006
Turkey	15,350	20,748	16,142	12,276
Asia	647,389	727,707	630,415	527,766
Bahrain	435	1,284	867	1,017
Bangladesh	66,171	79,394	57,543	56,074
Cambodia	28,100	27,184	25,942	20,104
China	242,975	264,503	240,392	195,332
India	96,373	116,641	101,530	85,319
Indonesia	20,791	22,855	19,804	17,993
Israel	834	797	1,077	522
Japan	622	902	950	924
Jordan	7,121	6,251	3,856	5,029
Malaysia	1,893	1,494	1,433	1,975
Pakistan	73,549	88,134	79,174	63,600
Philippines	2,429	6,165	2,479	2,154
South Korea	4,640	6,895	6,176	4,777
Sri Lanka	8,123	7,530	6,665	6,875
Taiwan	1,215	1,305	1,240	1,191
Thailand	5,100	4,329	4,890	3,964
Vietnam	82,418	87,445	73,025	58,956
Oceania	53	34	20	37
Africa	15,940	17,104	16,761	17,766
Egypt	6,731	6,260	5,443	6,492
Ethiopia	2,211	1,851	2,104	2,030
Kenya	2,496	2,574	2,765	2,320
Lesotho	1,486	2,655	3,003	2,838
Madagascar	1,519	1,819	2,093	2,408
Mauritius	605	534	575	413
World ¹	805,875	903,887	786,827	683,159

Note: Raw-fiber-equivalent pounds.

¹Regional totals may not sum to world totals because of rounding.

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

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

Region/country	Sep. 2020	Oct. 2020	Nov. 2020	Nov. 2019
	<i>1,000 pounds</i>			
North America	101,427	108,143	96,093	117,968
Bahamas	132	103	185	242
Canada	10,227	10,180	10,609	9,909
Costa Rica	44	130	160	321
Dominican Republic	18,645	16,701	19,048	17,944
El Salvador	4,533	6,549	5,641	6,301
Guatemala	2,512	3,332	3,240	1,482
Haiti	183	183	108	532
Honduras	50,706	54,687	41,811	59,798
Mexico	11,889	13,864	12,454	16,551
Nicaragua	2,096	1,925	2,307	3,678
Panama	46	55	104	424
South America	2,730	4,006	4,032	5,109
Brazil	153	261	310	236
Chile	150	251	177	136
Colombia	1,415	2,482	2,360	3,656
Peru	877	690	829	642
Europe	2,066	2,286	2,141	2,604
Belgium	195	88	241	91
France	122	94	83	130
Germany	244	402	300	291
Italy	110	130	157	239
Netherlands	257	266	146	398
Switzerland	130	116	148	294
United Kingdom	566	839	642	684
Asia	2,983	4,020	3,295	4,694
Bangladesh	12	25	1	823
China	611	723	627	721
Hong Kong	242	272	244	359
India	123	269	161	234
Israel	75	63	93	103
Japan	454	775	615	855
Singapore	68	132	105	152
South Korea	461	618	317	370
Taiwan	118	77	94	113
United Arab Emirates	320	207	351	334
Vietnam	48	106	95	126
Oceania	805	946	554	472
Australia	642	676	459	330
Africa	1,383	3,497	2,905	2,689
Morocco	1,180	3,353	2,658	2,497
World ¹	111,394	122,898	109,019	133,535

Note: Raw-fiber-equivalent pounds.

¹Regional totals may not sum to world totals because of rounding.

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

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Table 10—U.S. cotton acreage, yield, and production estimates, 2020

State/region	Planted	Harvested	Yield	Production
	-- 1,000 acres --		<i>Pounds/ harvested acre</i>	<i>1,000 bales</i>
Upland:				
Alabama	450	445	793	735
Florida	98	96	625	125
Georgia	1,190	1,180	887	2,180
North Carolina	360	330	785	540
South Carolina	190	185	778	300
Virginia	80	79	972	160
Southeast	2,368	2,315	838	4,040
Arkansas	525	520	1,200	1,300
Louisiana	170	165	1,018	350
Mississippi	530	525	1,097	1,200
Missouri	295	287	1,204	720
Tennessee	280	275	1,065	610
Delta	1,800	1,772	1,132	4,180
Kansas	195	186	826	320
Oklahoma	525	450	683	640
Texas	6,800	3,600	627	4,700
Southwest	7,520	4,236	641	5,660
Arizona	125	123	1,268	325
California	34	33	1,905	131
New Mexico	43	28	1,114	65
West	202	184	1,359	521
Total Upland	11,890	8,507	813	14,401
Pima:				
Arizona	7	7	1,034	14
California	147	146	1,562	475
New Mexico	11	11	655	15
Texas	38	31	743	48
Total Pima	203	195	1,362	552
Total all	12,093	8,702	825	14,953

Note: 1 bale = 480 pounds.

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

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