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U.S. Net Textile and Apparel Imports Decline in 2012

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U.S. net textile and apparel fiber imports decreased once again in calendar year 2012 as a result of the continued sluggish U.S. economy. Total fiber product imports approached 16.9 billion raw-fiber-equivalent pounds in 2012, 2 percent below imports in 2011 and the second lowest since 2003. Meanwhile, total fiber product exports reached 3.5 billion pounds in 2012, nearly 5 percent below the previous year and the second lowest since 1995. As a result, U.S. net textile and apparel product imports declined in 2012 to 13.3 billion pounds, slightly below 2011 and one of the lowest since the mid-2000s.

Cotton products accounted for nearly half of U.S. net textile imports in 2012, but cotton's share compared with that of other fibers has declined in recent years due to continued high cotton prices relative to manmade fibers. In 2012, cotton textile and apparel products accounted for 49 percent of the total, compared with 50 percent in 2011 and 54 percent in 2010. During the same period, manmade fibers accounted for more than 44 percent in 2012, compared with less than 44 percent in 2011 and only 40 percent in 2010.

In 2012, net cotton product imports approached 6.6 billion pounds, or the equivalent of 13.6 million bales of cotton. The latest calendar year total is slightly below the 6.7 billion pounds (14 million bales) reached in 2011 and is the lowest since 2003. Net cotton product imports reached a record high as recently as 2007 with a total of 8.5 billion pounds, or the equivalent of 17.7 million bales of cotton.

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Domestic Outlook

U.S. Cotton Supply Unchanged in March; Demand Revised Slightly

The U.S. cotton crop for 2012/13 remains estimated at 17 million bales (upland at 16.25 million bales and extra-long staple (ELS) at 760,000 bales), compared with last season's nearly 15.6-million-bale crop. USDA will release final U.S. production estimates for the 2012 crop on May 10th. Based on the current production estimate and beginning stocks of 3.35 million bales, this season's total cotton supply reached approximately 20.4 million bales, 12 percent above last season when the crop was dramatically reduced due to drought.

Total U.S. cotton demand was raised slightly in March to an estimated 16.2 million bales, nearly 8 percent above 2011/12. The U.S. cotton mill use estimate was unchanged for 2012/13 at 3.4 million bales, 100,000 bales above a last season. Exports, on the other hand, were increased 250,000 bales and now are projected at nearly 12.8 million bales, a million bales above 2011/12.

Through the first half of the 2012/13 season, U.S. textile mills have used 1.7 million bales of cotton, according to data collected by USDA's Farm Service Agency. This compares with 1.6 million bales used during the corresponding period of 2011/12. U.S. cotton mill use is projected to continue running ahead of a year ago during the second half of this season as the outlook for the global economy and consumption improves and pushes U.S. cotton mill use 3 percent above last season.

U.S. cotton exports are forecast to rise about 9 percent this season as increased supplies help boost shipments. In addition, recent U.S. sales and shipments have been strong, supporting this month's increase. Although the foreign import demand projection is below last season, it remains the third highest on record, supported largely by the continued raw cotton import demand by China. In March, the 2012/13 U.S. share of global trade is projected at 30.4 percent; although higher than last season's 25.5 percent, the 2012/13 share remains one of the lowest in over a decade. U.S. cotton exports through the first 7 months of the season have reached 7 million bales, compared with 5.7 million a year earlier. In addition, there were 4.2 million bales of cotton that had been sold but not yet shipped as of the end of February. As a result, total commitments for 2012/13 have reached 11.2 million bales, or 88 percent of the latest export forecast for the season.

Stocks Rise in 2012/13; Average Price Lower

With U.S. cotton production in 2012/13 exceeding demand, ending stocks are expected to increase for the second consecutive year. For 2012/13, U.S. stocks are currently forecast at 4.2 million bales, 25 percent above last season and the highest in four seasons. Based on the latest supply and demand projections, the 2012/13 stocks-to-use ratio is expected to rise to 26 percent, despite higher demand. Like stocks, the stocks-to-use ratio will reach its highest since 2008/09, but remain below the 5-year average of 30 percent.

With higher stocks in 2012/13 projected, the average price received by U.S. upland producers is expected to decline from last season's record level of 88.3 cents per

pound. Lower cotton prices are prevailing this season and, as a result, the upland price projection for 2012/13 ranges between 70 and 73 cents per pound.

U.S. Retail Cotton Consumption Declines in 2012

U.S. domestic cotton consumption (mill use plus net textile imports) declined for the second consecutive calendar year in 2012, reaching only about 8.2 billion (raw-fiber-equivalent) pounds, or 17 million bale-equivalents. The 2012 level represented a 3.5-percent decrease from the previous year and is the lowest since 1996; the current level is also 25 percent below the peak reached in 2006, when retail cotton consumption was estimated at nearly 10.9 billion pounds, or 22.6 million bale-equivalents.

Lower cotton product imports largely contributed to the 2012 decline, as mill use and exports were about offsetting. U.S. cotton product imports reached 8.2 billion pounds in 2012, the smallest in a decade. Cotton product exports were 1.6 billion pounds, the smallest since 2009, while U.S. mill use in 2012 was similarly estimated at 1.6 billion pounds. As a result, the per capita estimate of retail cotton consumption was reduced slightly in 2012 to 26 pounds, 10 pounds below the peak recorded in the mid-2000s and the lowest since 1991.

World 2012/13 Cotton Production Down

Global 2012/13 cotton production is estimated at 119.9 million bales, down 3 percent from the previous year, due largely to a less favorable market environment which has shifted area toward competing crops. World 2012/13 harvested area is estimated at 34.2 million hectares, a 4-percent decline from the preceding year, while world yield is estimated at 764 kg/hectare. Production is expected to decline in Australia, Brazil, India, and Pakistan, more than offsetting increases in China, the United States, the African Franc Zone, and other producers.

Australia and Brazil are expected to produce 4.2 million bales and 6.3 million bales, respectively, in 2012/13—a decline of 24 percent and 28 percent from the preceding year. Sharply higher corn and soybean prices reduced cotton area in Brazil, while higher sorghum prices, dry planting conditions and weaker world cotton prices lowered Australia's planted area. Australia's 2012/13 area harvested is estimated at 445,000 hectares, down 23 percent from the previous year. Brazil's area harvested is estimated at 975,000 hectares, a 30-percent decline from a year earlier. China's 2012/13 production is estimated to increase 6 percent from a year earlier, to 35.0 million bales. Declines in 2012/13 production in China's Yellow and Yangtze River regions was more than offset by increased output in the Xinjiang Autonomous Region. China's 2012/13 harvested area is estimated at 5.3 million hectares, down 2 percent from a year earlier.

India and Pakistan are expected to grow 25.5 million bales and 9.3 million bales in 2012/13, down 7 percent and 12 percent, respectively, from the previous year. The 2012/13 crops in India and Pakistan were affected by the late and erratic monsoon. India's 2012/13 area is estimated at 11.7 million hectares, down 4 percent from the preceding year, while Pakistan's harvested area is estimated at 3.0 million hectares, unchanged from the previous year. The African Franc Zone and the United States are expected to produce 4.2 million bales and 17.0 million bales, respectively, up 38 percent and 9 percent from the preceding year.

Global Cotton Trade Declines in 2012/13

World cotton exports are estimated at 41.9 million bales, a 9-percent decline from the preceding year due to weak foreign demand, especially from China. Declines in global 2012/13 exports are driven by a large trade decline in India and a slight reduction in the Southern Hemisphere, which are partially offset by increases in the African Franc Zone, the United States, and Uzbekistan. Australia and Brazil are each expected to export 4.6 million bales in 2012/13, down 1 percent and 4 percent, respectively, from their record previous season exports. India's 2012/13 exports are estimated at 5.5 million bales, down 50 percent from the previous year, nearly halving the country's share of world exports from the previous season's record 24 percent. The sharp decline in India's exports is due to lower supplies and higher domestic consumption. The African Franc Zone (AFZ) and Uzbekistan are expected to export 3.6 million bales and 3.0 million bales in 2012/13, respectively, up 53

percent and 20 percent from a year earlier. The estimated rise in AFZ's exports follows a good crop year. The United States is estimated to export 12.8 million bales in 2012/13, a 9-percent increase from the previous year.

World cotton imports for 2012/13 are forecast to decline 6 percent, or about 2.9 million bales from last season. China's higher production, lower consumption, and restrictive import policies are expected to cut imports by 9.5 million bales from the 2011/12 record. However, with world consumption rising and spinning use shifting from China to other countries, imports are rising in several countries. Pakistan and Turkey together account for increases of 3.3 million bales, as both countries show a combination of sharply lower production and higher consumption. India likewise is expected to import 1.5 million bales, an increase of 900,000 bales due to reduced supplies and stronger consumption. Other countries expected to show significant import increases are Vietnam (+525,000 bales), Bangladesh (+500,000 bales), and Thailand (+387,000 bales).

Global Mill Use and Ending Stocks Up in 2012/13

World 2012/13 cotton consumption is estimated at 107.1 million bales, up 4 percent from the previous year. China—the world's leading mill user—is expected to consume 36.0 million bales in 2012/13, down 5 percent from the preceding year. China's estimated mill use decline leaves its share of world 2012/13 cotton consumption at 34 percent, down from last season's 37 percent and the lowest in a decade. China's minimum support price program for cotton growers and the stocks purchases for the national reserve have squeezed the profit margins for the textile industry, resulting in lower consumption. However, 2012/13 mill use increases in India, Pakistan, and Turkey more than offset the decline in China. India and Pakistan are estimated to consume 21.7 million bales and 11.7 million bales, respectively, up 9 percent and 17 percent from the previous year. Turkey's 2012/13 cotton consumption is estimated at 6.1 million bales, a 9-percent increase from the previous year. Brazil and the United States are estimated to consume 4.1 million bales and 3.4 million bales in 2012/13, respectively, up 3 percent each from a year earlier.

Despite rising global mill use, 2012/13 world ending stocks are estimated at a record 81.7 million bales, up 18 percent from the previous year. The spike in global 2012/13 ending stocks is largely driven by China's stocks purchase policy. China's 2012/13 ending stocks are estimated at 44.1 million bales, up 46 percent from the previous year, and accounting for 54 percent of world ending stocks. Ending stocks in Australia and Brazil are estimated at 3.3 million bales and 5.8 million bales in 2012/13, respectively, a decline of 8 percent and 28 percent from the preceding year. India's 2012/13 ending stocks are estimated at 7.5 million bales, down 3 percent from the previous year. Ending stocks in Pakistan and Turkey are estimated at 2.9 million bales and 1.4 million bales, down 4 percent and 9 percent from a year earlier. The United States is expected to carry 4.2 million bales in 2012/13 ending stocks, up 25 percent from the previous year.

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

Item	2011/12	2012/13		
		Jan.	Feb.	Mar.
<i>Million acres</i>				
Upland:				
Planted	14.428	12.077	12.077	12.077
Harvested	9.156	9.190	9.190	9.190
<i>Pounds</i>				
Yield/harvested acre	772	849	849	849
<i>Million 480-lb. bales</i>				
Beginning stocks	2.572	3.081	3.081	3.081
Production	14.722	16.250	16.250	16.250
Total supply 1/	17.307	19.336	19.336	19.336
Mill use	3.278	3.380	3.380	3.380
Exports	11.120	11.475	11.750	12.000
Total use	14.398	14.855	15.130	15.380
Ending stocks 2/	3.081	4.516	4.241	3.941
<i>Percent</i>				
Stocks-to-use ratio	21.4	30.4	28.0	25.6
<i>1,000 acres</i>				
Extra-long staple:				
Planted	307.4	238.4	238.4	238.4
Harvested	304.9	236.8	236.8	236.8
<i>Pounds</i>				
Yield/harvested acre	1,340	1,540	1,540	1,540
<i>1,000 480-lb. bales</i>				
Beginning stocks	28	269	269	269
Production	851	760	760	760
Total supply 1/	885	1,029	1,029	1,029
Mill use	22	20	20	20
Exports	594	725	750	750
Total use	616	745	770	770
Ending stocks 2/	269	284	259	259
<i>Percent</i>				
Stocks-to-use ratio	43.7	38.1	33.6	33.6

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		
		Jan.	Feb.	Mar.
<i>Million 480-lb. bales</i>				
Supply:				
Beginning stocks--				
World	49.00	68.85	69.03	68.98
Foreign	46.40	65.50	65.68	65.63
Production--				
World	124.13	118.83	118.95	119.87
Foreign	108.56	101.82	101.94	102.86
Imports--				
World	44.75	38.87	40.44	41.86
Foreign	44.73	38.87	40.43	41.86
Use:				
Mill use--				
World	103.19	106.06	106.24	107.11
Foreign	99.89	102.66	102.84	103.71
Exports--				
World	45.96	38.89	40.43	41.92
Foreign	34.24	26.69	27.93	29.17
Ending stocks--				
World	68.98	81.72	81.86	81.74
Foreign	65.63	76.92	77.36	77.54
<i>Percent</i>				
Stocks-to-use ratio:				
World	66.8	77.1	77.1	76.3
Foreign	65.7	74.9	75.2	74.8

Source: USDA, World Agricultural Outlook Board.

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Table 3--U.S. fiber supply

Item	Nov. 2012	Dec. 2012	Jan. 2013	Jan. 2012
<i>1,000 480-lb. bales</i>				
Cotton:				
Stocks, beginning	6,893	12,022	14,039	12,612
Ginnings	6,091	3,147	1,254	878
Imports since August 1	1.1	1.1	NA	9.8
<i>Million pounds</i>				
Manmade:				
Production	480.1	448.9	508.7	474.9
Noncellulosic	480.1	448.9	508.7	474.9
Cellulosic	NA	NA	NA	NA
Total since January 1	5,620.3	6,069.2	508.7	474.9
	Oct. 2012	Nov. 2012	Dec. 2012	Dec. 2011
<i>Million pounds</i>				
Raw fiber imports:	148.1	143.7	126.8	128.0
Noncellulosic	136.4	130.3	114.6	117.5
Cellulosic	11.7	13.4	12.2	10.5
Total since January 1	1,549.3	1,693.0	1819.8	1,734.7
<i>1,000 pounds</i>				
Wool and mohair:				
Raw wool imports, clean	693.8	610.2	416.4	404.2
48s-and-finer	315	498.5	137.0	85.4
Not-finer-than-46s	378.8	111.8	279.4	318.8
Total since January 1	8,087.9	8,698.1	9,114.5	8,468.2
Wool top imports	460.6	426.8	446.7	309.0
Total since January 1	3,671.3	4,098.1	4,544.8	3,516.6
Mohair imports, clean	3.1	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total since January 1	7.2	7.2	7.2	2.9

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	Nov. 2012	Dec. 2012	Jan. 2013	Jan. 2012
<i>1,000 480-lb. bales</i>				
Cotton:				
All consumed by mills 1/	278	233	298	308
Total since August 1	1,164	1,397	1,695	1,646
Daily rate	12.6	11.1	13.0	14.0
Upland consumed by mills 1/	276	232	297	307
Total since August 1	1,159	1,390	1,687	1,636
Daily Rate	12.6	11	12.9	13.9
	Oct. 2012	Nov. 2012	Dec. 2012	Dec. 2011
<i>1,000 480-lb. bales</i>				
Cotton:				
Upland exports	461	637	855	807
Total since August 1	1877	2,514	3,369	2,798
Sales for next season	59	227	40	28
Total since August 1	275	502	543	404
Extra-long staple exports	73.7	48.3	42.4	99.9
Total since August 1	202.0	250.3	292.7	165.0
Sales for next season	0.0	0.0	0.0	9.1
Total since August 1	4.4	4.4	4.4	41.6
<i>Million pounds</i>				
Manmade:				
Raw fiber exports	61.7	52.4	49.5	47.6
Noncellulosic	61.3	51.9	49.1	47.2
Cellulosic	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.4
Total since January 1	578.1	630.5	679.6	694.2
<i>1,000 pounds</i>				
Wool and mohair:				
Raw wool exports, clean	397.3	917.8	596.5	722.3
Total since January 1	6226.4	7,144.2	7,740.6	9,348.6
Wool top exports	125.8	192.4	138.9	2.9
Total since January 1	729.6	921.9	1,060.8	869.0
Mohair exports, clean	66.8	35.0	130.8	183.1
Total since January 1	417.0	452.0	582.8	806.2

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	Dec. 2012	Jan. 2013	Feb. 2013	Feb. 2012
<i>Cents per pound</i>				
Domestic cotton prices:				
Adjusted world price	62.82	64.75	69.00	80.47
Upland spot 41-34	70.61	73.33	76..87	85.17
Pima spot 03-46	106.48	107.00	109.05	132.00
Average price received by upland producers	71.30	72.20	72.70	92.30
Far Eastern cotton quotes:				
A Index	83.30	85.97	89.86	100.86
Memphis/Eastern	85.42	88.15	92.06	105.63
Memphis/Orleans/Texas	85.08	87.80	91.69	103.56
California/Arizona	89.08	91.40	95.31	110.38
<i>Dollars per pound</i>				
Wool prices (clean):				
U.S. 56s	NQ	NQ	NQ	NQ
Australian 56s 1/	3.95	3.99	3.95	4.04
U.S. 60s	NQ	NQ	NQ	NQ
Australian 60s 1/	5.63	5.79	5.76	6.50
U.S. 64s	NQ	NQ	NQ	NQ
Australian 64s 1/	5.89	5.87	5.86	6.67

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	Oct. 2012	Nov. 2012	Dec. 2012	Dec. 2011
	<i>1,000 pounds 1/</i>			
Yarn, thread, and fabric:	227,250	219,332	219,435	224,679
Cotton	50,955	47,182	46,701	51,232
Linen	16,732	15,041	19,383	18,298
Wool	3,639	3,395	3,359	2,971
Silk	538	626	530	560
Manmade	155,386	153,088	149,463	151,618
Apparel:	1,036,343	850,628	790,893	712,068
Cotton	568,854	496,286	451,947	409,392
Linen	8,548	7,318	7,011	7,722
Wool	35,968	20,500	16,110	15,461
Silk	8,036	7,018	7,283	7,487
Manmade	414,938	319,506	308,543	272,007
Home furnishings:	245,631	233,822	193,738	171,801
Cotton	120,991	129,236	106,733	94,159
Linen	842	886	987	751
Wool	332	330	259	372
Silk	157	154	148	149
Manmade	123,309	103,216	85,611	76,370
Floor coverings:	55,258	59,745	60,398	51,817
Cotton	6,575	8,014	7,205	6,128
Linen	12,800	14,536	14,812	12,402
Wool	7,922	9,746	10,405	10,074
Silk	1,491	2,066	1,797	1,597
Manmade	26,470	25,383	26,179	21,617
Total imports: 2/	1,564,768	1,363,842	1,264,806	1,170,603
Cotton	747,583	680,920	612,768	564,469
Linen	38,921	37,781	42,192	39,771
Wool	47,867	34,000	30,150	29,299
Silk	10,221	9,864	9,757	9,794
Manmade	720,176	601,277	569,939	527,269

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	Oct. 2012	Nov. 2012	Dec. 2012	Dec. 2011
<i>1,000 pounds 1/</i>				
Yarn, thread, and fabric:	240,962	219,508	199,259	182,025
Cotton	124,140	115,956	106,822	88,652
Linen	7,048	6,235	5,177	6,178
Wool	2,975	2,594	1,935	2,728
Silk	1,111	964	949	1,069
Manmade	105,688	93,759	84,375	83,398
Apparel:	25,799	22,386	23,000	23,208
Cotton	11,321	9,469	9,744	10,559
Linen	383	277	398	537
Wool	1,564	1,276	1,339	1,465
Silk	1,455	1,216	1,257	993
Manmade	11,076	10,148	10,262	9,654
Home furnishings:	5,449	5,173	5,041	3,698
Cotton	2,593	2,370	2,294	1,728
Linen	274	324	319	123
Wool	197	182	213	75
Silk	177	177	218	53
Manmade	2,208	2,120	1,996	1,720
Floor coverings:	31,675	31,805	29,989	31,021
Cotton	2,213	2,137	2,232	2,238
Linen	1,092	902	1,176	1,059
Wool	2,429	2,794	3,102	2,864
Silk	40	37	33	44
Manmade	25,901	25,936	23,446	24,816
Total exports: 2/	303,984	278,981	257,391	240,219
Cotton	140,332	130,008	121,170	103,290
Linen	8,797	7,739	7,071	7,904
Wool	7,172	6,847	6,594	7,141
Silk	2,783	2,394	2,457	2,159
Manmade	144,899	131,994	120,099	119,725

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	Oct. 2012	Nov. 2012	Dec. 2012	Dec. 2011
	<i>1,000 pounds 1/</i>			
North America	150,234	136,515	128,561	121,203
Canada	3,190	2,792	2,607	3,010
Costa Rica	997	871	961	885
Dominican Republic	6,130	6,268	5,925	4,833
El Salvador	19,875	16,690	20,595	18,936
Guatemala	9,110	7,031	6,976	6,409
Haiti	13,998	13,425	12,417	9,094
Honduras	28,880	29,223	31,609	26,376
Mexico	48,699	45,379	33,682	39,853
Nicaragua	19,353	14,835	13,760	11,805
South America	4,670	4,187	3,804	3,507
Brazil	102	158	121	239
Colombia	1,871	1,682	1,480	985
Peru	2,645	2,298	2,140	2,211
Europe	16,493	15,676	9,550	9,544
Germany	918	1,063	790	804
Italy	1,346	1,742	1,628	1,720
Portugal	1,004	2,236	1,086	940
Turkey	10,266	7,565	3,805	3,574
Asia	560,436	509,298	457,745	416,212
Bahrain	1,357	1,336	986	982
Bangladesh	39,244	43,006	35,130	30,453
Cambodia	24,959	18,332	16,769	15,516
China	261,331	213,481	207,309	189,308
Hong Kong	796	802	928	790
India	57,443	62,757	49,763	44,272
Indonesia	30,763	27,703	26,866	22,591
Israel	553	860	815	915
Japan	1,044	994	1,009	1,117
Jordan	3,469	4,652	4,200	3,478
Malaysia	3,105	3,396	2,613	2,420
Pakistan	58,613	69,178	46,315	49,443
Philippines	5,290	3,654	4,451	3,965
South Korea	5,827	5,419	4,989	5,749
Sri Lanka	6,844	7,234	6,376	4,626
Taiwan	2,633	1,995	2,643	2,423
Thailand	6,867	5,249	7,075	5,409
Vietnam	49,106	37,990	38,583	31,197
Oceania	12	41	29	55
Africa	15,738	15,203	13,079	13,947
Egypt	8,502	7,780	7,986	7,643
Kenya	2,552	1,944	1,703	1,431
Lesotho	2,221	3,793	1,881	3,082
Mauritius	1,102	456	488	751
World 2/	747,583	680,920	612,768	564,469

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

Region/country	Oct. 2012	Nov. 2012	Dec. 2012	Dec. 2011
	<i>1,000 pounds 1/</i>			
North America	120,071	112,835	103,380	87,951
Bahamas	98	161	58	99
Canada	9,679	9,367	8,358	9,692
Costa Rica	342	367	286	262
Dominican Republic	20,585	17,777	18,562	11,010
El Salvador	10,279	10,480	10,688	9,407
Guatemala	2,553	2,136	2,848	2,089
Haiti	761	613	799	375
Honduras	46,161	44,932	37,883	31,956
Jamaica	80	128	101	91
Mexico	26,663	24,195	22,000	21,180
Nicaragua	1,931	2,096	1,463	1,269
Panama	346	153	138	263
South America	3,656	3,207	2,512	3,225
Brazil	463	426	361	716
Chile	440	211	223	219
Colombia	1,457	1,235	1,128	1,678
Peru	384	499	222	178
Venezuela	541	545	278	192
Europe	2,855	2,883	3,418	3,262
Belgium	209	354	335	470
France	107	96	130	117
Germany	475	286	473	601
Italy	168	179	130	250
Netherlands	394	355	534	311
Russia	51	53	74	97
Turkey	79	84	120	75
United Kingdom	989	1,030	1,121	836
Asia	12,591	10,110	10,792	7,658
Bangladesh	7	31	21	0
China	8,898	7,442	6,931	3,624
Hong Kong	344	439	520	661
India	162	130	136	162
Israel	143	79	176	168
Japan	844	718	1,041	911
Pakistan	61	5	36	47
Saudi Arabia	141	97	101	145
Singapore	283	158	184	151
South Korea	427	306	489	673
Taiwan	139	86	77	153
United Arab Emirates	329	282	419	349
Oceania	783	729	733	888
Australia	632	585	533	772
Africa	376	243	335	259
South Africa	59	77	56	78
World 2/	140,332	130,008	121,170	103,290

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Sources: USDA, Economic Research Service; and

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Table 10--Acreage, yield, and production estimates, 2012

State/region	Planted	Harvested	Yield	Production
	-- 1,000 acres --		Pounds/ harvested acre	1,000 bales
Upland:				
Alabama	380	378	952	750
Florida	108	107	897	200
Georgia	1,290	1,285	1,027	2,750
North Carolina	585	580	993	1,200
South Carolina	299	298	918	570
Virginia	86	85	1,129	200
Southeast	2,748	2,733	996	5,670
Arkansas	595	585	1,083	1,320
Louisiana	230	225	1,003	470
Mississippi	475	470	970	950
Missouri	350	330	1,033	710
Tennessee	380	375	934	730
Delta	2,030	1,985	1,011	4,180
Kansas	56	54	578	65
Oklahoma	305	140	480	140
Texas	6,550	3,900	615	5,000
Southwest	6,911	4,094	610	5,205
Arizona	200	197	1,511	620
California	142	141	1,651	485
New Mexico	46	40	1,080	90
West	388	378	1,517	1,195
Total Upland	12,077	9,190	849	16,250
Pima:				
Arizona	3	3	1,152	7
California	225	224	1,575	735
New Mexico	2	2	981	5
Texas	8	8	832	13
Total Pima	238	237	1,540	760
Total all	12,315	9,427	866	17,010

Source: USDA, January 2013 *Crop Production* report.

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Table 11--Annual U.S. cotton textile imports, by origin

Region/Country	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
	<i>1,000 pounds 1/</i>				
North America	2,169,532	1,752,269	1,897,981	1,839,260	1,663,709
Canada	48,649	38,383	40,103	39,566	35,142
Dominican Republic	89,928	58,254	70,737	70,750	68,687
El Salvador	279,668	214,040	284,028	258,273	245,880
Guatemala	155,535	120,312	117,612	106,356	97,775
Haiti	149,594	152,777	134,560	153,955	145,491
Honduras	518,808	379,460	429,476	412,001	349,589
Mexico	702,449	606,025	628,594	581,538	525,362
Nicaragua	179,718	162,116	178,477	206,973	185,672
South America	141,807	101,403	101,271	59,298	51,679
Peru	46,434	35,096	38,298	33,976	29,568
Europe	202,577	141,718	162,047	138,988	147,866
Turkey	86,905	61,122	69,723	55,340	67,294
Asia	7,015,493	6,575,825	7,461,471	6,322,653	6,142,919
Bangladesh	560,124	560,584	628,251	537,172	535,183
Cambodia	296,774	235,474	272,888	251,639	237,724
China	2,578,544	2,765,618	3,310,555	2,748,175	2,660,785
Hong Kong	140,913	22,510	16,631	12,512	9,420
India	744,688	701,018	788,224	687,902	709,190
Indonesia	342,070	329,743	380,900	352,379	336,227
Jordan	89,297	67,083	60,885	47,888	50,876
Malaysia	62,539	37,919	36,600	33,248	32,413
Pakistan	931,327	861,343	926,191	766,688	720,502
Philippines	109,217	75,548	71,524	66,283	58,070
South Korea	103,624	84,262	85,824	68,854	68,583
Sri Lanka	123,203	95,187	89,766	79,228	77,051
Taiwan	69,292	42,468	40,850	33,183	31,839
Thailand	181,184	129,150	133,696	97,247	75,997
Vietnam	476,835	475,608	537,729	474,708	483,033
Africa	297,828	248,588	237,930	203,404	184,169
Egypt	133,824	121,209	130,666	108,009	99,751
Lesotho	58,093	44,978	44,154	39,588	33,523
World 2/	9,829,113	8,820,812	9,861,621	8,564,312	8,190,888

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 12--Annual U.S. cotton textile exports, by destination

Region/country	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
	<i>1,000 pounds 1/</i>				
North America	1,680,985	1,356,760	1,605,765	1,646,250	1,446,118
Canada	135,091	112,928	111,076	114,771	119,262
Costa Rica	10,262	4,659	4,631	3,480	3,929
Dominican Republic	216,935	209,898	248,181	332,772	248,099
El Salvador	168,581	114,885	95,128	137,746	130,711
Guatemala	50,018	42,117	42,867	34,959	30,091
Haiti	8,182	6,740	8,042	7,242	8,036
Honduras	688,714	510,184	732,141	670,135	574,627
Mexico	374,171	330,033	331,750	315,928	300,629
Nicaragua	19,785	16,775	22,671	18,866	20,803
Panama	1,804	1,777	2,240	4,016	3,393
South America	37,779	32,446	33,038	31,490	36,438
Brazil	6,074	5,329	5,933	8,310	5,676
Chile	2,396	2,589	5,515	2,667	3,211
Colombia	14,086	9,866	7,198	8,303	14,515
Peru	2,395	2,951	4,949	2,944	3,216
Venezuela	9,721	7,895	5,713	6,169	6,024
Europe	46,183	40,068	41,539	41,046	36,345
Belgium	6,236	4,069	4,776	4,659	3,645
Germany	7,465	7,193	6,361	7,191	5,667
Italy	2,532	2,181	2,017	2,272	2,021
Netherlands	5,482	4,957	5,422	4,662	4,655
United Kingdom	12,626	10,603	11,900	11,749	11,603
Asia	64,940	57,522	87,559	100,805	108,757
China	12,819	14,821	39,351	53,301	63,211
Hong Kong	6,114	4,841	5,569	5,656	6,762
India	2,307	2,902	4,141	3,824	3,178
Israel	1,730	2,476	2,022	2,461	2,038
Japan	11,739	9,310	9,893	10,442	11,044
Singapore	3,096	2,286	2,886	2,373	2,434
South Korea	6,992	6,748	10,452	7,016	5,631
United Arab Emirates	3,420	3,353	2,812	3,025	3,780
Oceania	7,149	7,195	7,100	9,581	8,828
Australia	5,546	5,629	5,288	7,713	6,933
Africa	6,651	4,179	4,084	8,305	3,480
World 2/	1,843,719	1,498,247	1,779,108	1,837,476	1,639,967

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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