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HIGHLIGHTS

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U.S. Cotton Crop Progress and Condition Near Average

U.S. planting progress of the 2000 cotton crop is near "normal" or complete in all States with the exception of South Carolina. As of June 4th, 88 percent of the U.S. crop was planted, slightly below last season but ahead of the 5-year average. Five of the 14 reporting States were completed as of early June. In contrast, South Carolina reported plantings at only 87 percent complete, compared with a 5-year average of 97 percent. Recent rains should also help boost plantings in Texas, where they were 76 percent complete compared with a 71-percent average.

While plantings are ahead of the 5-year average, the percentage of the U.S. cotton crop that is squaring is equal to it. As of June 4th, 11 percent of the acreage was squaring, compared with 10 percent a year ago. Although crop development is just beginning in many States, several departures from normal are worth noting. In California, Missouri, and Louisiana, the percent squaring is 5-10 percentage points above their respective 5-year averages. On the other hand, Arizona and Arkansas are each 5 percentage points below the average as of early June.

In addition to crop progress, crop condition reporting for U.S. cotton began recently for the 2000 season. As of the week ending June 4th, average U.S. crop conditions were slightly below last season. At this early stage, 49 percent of the area was rated "good" or "excellent," compared with 52 percent a year ago. Also, 21 percent was rated "poor" or "very poor," compared with 15 percent in 1999. As noted in the report, dry weather in several States has affected conditions there. As of June 4th, Georgia, Alabama, and Texas had cotton conditions rated as "poor" or "very poor" for 41, 36, and 29 percent of their respective area. While recent rains may have provided some topsoil moisture, drought concerns will likely continue throughout the summer.

On average, however, U.S. cotton crop progress and conditions are near "normal," and no changes were made this month to the 2000 U.S. production estimate of 19 million bales. Likewise, demand estimates for 2000/01 were unchanged--mill use and exports are projected at 10.2 million and 8 million bales, respectively. An update on the cotton area reported in the March *Prospective Plantings* will be issued at the end of the month by USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. The June 30th *Acreage* report will provide a better indication of the 2000 cotton area as it combines the actual cotton plantings as of early June and estimates for area remaining to be planted.

U.S. Demand for 1999/2000 Increased

USDA's total demand estimate for 1999/2000 was revised upward this month to 16.9 million bales, the result of higher export expectations. While no changes were made to mill use, U.S. exports were increased 200,000 bales to 6.8 million. As of early June, commitment data reported in *Export Sales* indicate that 7.4 million bales are "on the books," with 5.8 million shipped during the first 10 months of the season. This suggests that cotton exports need only average 125,000 bales per week through the end of the season, slightly below recent weekly averages. And with world trade projected at nearly 27 million bales in 1999/2000, the U.S. share of global cotton trade is expected to improve to 25 percent, compared with 18 percent last season. As a result, this year's ending stocks are estimated to decline from a month ago to 4.1 million bales, about 4 percent above the beginning level.

Foreign 1999/2000 Consumption Estimate Continues To Rise

USDA's estimated foreign 1999/2000 consumption was raised 230,000 bales this month, as higher consumption estimates for China, Turkmenistan, India, Pakistan, Greece, Vietnam, and Thailand offset reductions for Indonesia, Hong Kong, Poland, and Korea. At 80.7 million bales, foreign 1999/2000 consumption is estimated to be record-high, and 6.3 million bales above the year before, an 8.5-percent increase. This equals the gain in foreign consumption recorded in 1985/86 and is the largest since 1963/64.

China's estimated 1999/2000 consumption was increased 300,000 bales to a record-high, as large annual gains in total yarn production continue to be reported each month. A combination of lower cotton prices, improved textile exports, and an apparent end to the recent spindle reduction campaign are all encouraging China's textile mills to increase production. Cotton's share of fiber use is likely to be higher in 1999/2000 than during the year before, but this month's revision does not reflect changes in expected fiber share. China's 1999/2000 consumption is estimated at 22 million bales, up 1.8 million from the year before.

Indonesia's estimated 1999/2000 consumption was reduced 350,000 bales, as updated import data indicate that Indonesia imported 18 percent less cotton during the first 7 months of the 1999/2000 marketing year than it did during the first 7 months of the previous marketing year. Virtually the entire decline occurred during 3 months of the fall of 1999, but there is no reason to expect imports to significantly exceed year-ago levels during the rest of the marketing year. Since Indonesia does not carry large stocks, the implication is that consumption during 1999/2000 has been lower than previously forecast. Indonesia's 1999/2000 consumption is estimated at 2.1 million bales, down 150,000 bales from the year before.

Turkmenistan's estimated 1999/2000 consumption was increased 125,000 bales following confirmation by USDA's attache that textile industry investment has increased consumption there this year. At 275,000 bales, Turkmenistan is not a large consumer, but it is expected to make a significant contribution to the 1999/2000 rebound in consumption in the New Independent States (NIS). NIS consumption is expected to increase by 29 percent from the year before in 1999/2000, a 725,000-bale increase largely attributable to Russia. The last time NIS consumption recorded a double-digit rate increase was 1982/83, although decreases at double-digit rates were recorded 6 out of 10 years during the 1990's. At 3.2 million bales, NIS consumption in 1999/2000 is expected to reach only about one-third of its 1989/90 peak of 9.2 million bales.

Foreign Production and Stocks in 1999/2000 Estimated Lower

USDA's estimated foreign 1999/2000 production was reduced slightly this month, down 100,000 bales to 70.2 million bales. Lower production estimates for India and several African countries more than offset an increase in Pakistan. As the season draws to a close, arrivals data in India and Pakistan resulted in offsetting 200,000 bale revisions to the 1999/2000 crop estimates. Compared with the year before, total foreign production is now estimated to have fallen 400,000 bales. However, China accounts for the entire decline, and excluding China, foreign production in 1999/2000 is estimated 2.7 million bales or 5.4 percent higher than the year before. At 52.6 million bales, foreign production--excluding China--is estimated at its second highest ever in 1999/2000, exceeded only by 1995/96's 53.3 million bales.

USDA's estimated world trade in 1999/2000 was essentially unchanged this month, as increased export estimates for the United States and China were largely offset by decreases for Greece, Syria, and others. The estimate for U.S. exports was raised 200,000 bales, as the pace of export commitments and shipments surpassed expectations. China's estimated exports were raised 100,000 bales for similar reasons, as April export data from China showed March's export rebound was sustained for another month.

USDA's estimated world ending stocks in 1999/2000 fell 560,000 bales this month, as consumption rose and production fell. At 42 million bales, 1999/2000 ending stocks are estimated to be down 3.5 million bales from the year before. Foreign ending stocks in 1999/2000 fell 360,000 bales this month. At 37.9 million bales, 1999/2000 foreign ending stocks are estimated to be down 3.6 million bales from the year before. China accounts for the entire decline in foreign ending stocks, both compared with last month and last year. Excluding China, 1999/2000 foreign ending stocks are estimated to be up 2 million bales from last year.

Little Change in Forecasts for 2000/01

USDA's forecasts for world and foreign cotton in 2000/01 were little changed this month. Beginning stock changes from the previous year's estimates were offset as the forecast for foreign production was increased 1 million bales to 68 million. Foreign consumption in 2000/01 remained forecast at 81.8 million bales and foreign exports at 19.7 million. Forecast foreign ending stocks rose slightly from the previous month--to 32 million bales--as increased foreign production slightly more than offset reduced foreign beginning stocks.

Compared with 1999/2000, foreign production in 2000/01 is forecast 3.2 percent lower and foreign consumption is forecast 1.4 percent higher. Foreign exports are forecast 2.2 percent lower, and foreign ending stocks 10.7 percent lower.

Since USDA does not publish official country-level forecasts for 2000/01 until July, the month-to-month revision in the 2000/01 foreign production forecast is not formally attributable to any particular countries. However, USDA attache reports are becoming available for the forthcoming year, and press reports concerning weather and planting intentions are also becoming available. Together, these suggest a set of countries which might account for shares of the revision under different sets of scenarios. Examples of countries where press, attache, or--in some cases--weather reports suggest outyear expectations might be trending up include Australia, Central Asia, China, India, and Pakistan.

USDA's estimates for the U.S. cotton balance sheet in 2000/01 were unchanged, and U.S. exports remained forecast at 8 million bales. This implies a 29-percent share of world trade for the United States, compared with 25 percent in 1999/2000, the same as the U.S. average during the 1990's.

Textile Trade Deficit Widens in 2000

March textile imports, at 1.1 billion pounds (raw-fiber equivalent), were up nearly 8 percent from February and 14 percent above March 1999. Textile imports rose for all major end-use categories and for all major fibers, except silk. Cotton imports, at 631 million pounds, accounted for 57 percent of the March total and were 14 percent above a year earlier. U.S. cotton textile imports from North American countries rose 9 percent to 277 million pounds, accounting for 44 percent of the total. Cotton imports from Asia declined from a month earlier to 274 million pounds (43 percent of the U.S. import total).

Similarly, March 2000 textile exports, at 471 million pounds, rose 18 percent from February and were 14 percent above a year earlier. U.S. textile exports expanded for all major fibers and end-use categories. Cotton exports, at 216 million pounds, were up 20 percent from a month earlier and 15 percent from a year ago. Cotton textile exports increased for all end-use categories from the previous month, with apparel accounting for 54 percent of the total. North American countries are the major markets for U.S. cotton textile exports. Shipments to North America totaled 194 million pounds and represented 90 percent of the March total. Mexico continues to be the leading market, receiving 44 percent of the region's total.

Overall, the total textile trade deficit during the first 3 months of 2000 has expanded from a year earlier. For all fibers, the deficit through March 2000 is 1.9 billion pounds, and the cotton trade deficit is 1.2 billion pounds, up 19 percent and 20 percent, respectively. During 2000, cotton has accounted for 63 percent of the total deficit, similar to a year earlier.

The next *Cotton and Wool Outlook* (CWS-0600) will be released on July 13, 2000.

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U.S. COTTON SUPPLY AND USE ESTIMATES

Item	1998/99	1999/2000 Apr	1999/2000 May	1999/2000 Jun
Upland:		Million acres		
Planted	13.064	14.565	14.584	14.584
Harvested	10.449	13.093	13.138	13.138
		Pounds		
Yield/harvested acre	619	597	595	595
		Million 480-lb bales		
Beginning stocks	3.822	3.836	3.836	3.836
Production	13.476	16.279	16.294	16.294
Total supply 1/	17.729	20.190	20.205	20.190
Mill use	10.254	9.950	9.955	9.955
Exports	4.056	6.100	6.180	6.380
Total use	14.310	16.050	16.135	16.335
Ending stocks	3.836	4.138	4.053	3.838
		Percent		
Stocks-to-use ratio	26.8	25.8	25.1	23.5
Extra-long staple:		1,000 acres		
Planted	328	290	290	290
Harvested	235	288	287	287
		Pounds		
Yield/harvested acre	904	1,123	1,128	1,128
		1,000 480-lb bales		
Beginning stocks	65	103	103	103
Production	442	674	674	674
Total supply 1/	519	802	802	817
Mill use	147	150	145	145
Exports	288	400	420	420
Total use	435	550	565	565
Ending stocks	103	262	247	262
		Percent		
Stocks-to-use ratio	23.7	47.6	43.7	46.4

Based on USDA estimates. 1/ Includes imports.

WORLD COTTON SUPPLY AND USE ESTIMATES

Item	1998/99	1999/2000 Apr	1999/2000 May	1999/2000 Jun
Supply:		Million 480-lb bales		
Beginning stocks				
World	43.87	45.44	45.43	45.46
Foreign	39.99	41.50	41.49	41.52
Production				
World	84.55	86.99	87.28	87.20
Foreign	70.63	70.04	70.31	70.24
Imports				
World	25.25	27.49	27.52	27.32
Foreign	24.81	27.39	27.42	27.22
Use:				
Mill use				
World	84.77	90.21	90.53	90.76
Foreign	74.37	80.11	80.43	80.66
Exports				
World	23.59	26.83	26.89	26.95
Foreign	19.25	20.33	20.29	20.15
Ending stocks				
World	45.46	42.64	42.55	41.99
Foreign	41.52	38.24	38.25	37.89
Stocks-to-use ratio		Percent		
World	53.6	47.3	47.0	46.3
Foreign	55.8	47.7	47.6	47.0

Based on USDA estimates.

FIBER SUPPLY

Item	2000 Feb	2000 Mar	2000 Apr	1999 Apr
Cotton:		1,000 480-lb bales		
Ginnings	97	0	0	0
Imports since August 1	72.3	74.9	NA	203.5
Stocks, beginning	13,526	12,057	10,160	7,582
At mills	513	501	502	570
Public storage	11,308	9,726	7,977	6,780
CCC stocks	1,503	836	510	800
Manmade:		Million pounds		
Production	889.3	947.0	868.0	853.5
Noncellulosic	860.6	914.4	840.4	827.5
Cellulosic	28.7	32.6	27.6	26.0
Total since January 1	1,740.7	2,687.7	3,555.7	3,349.4

	2000 Jan	2000 Feb	2000 Mar	1999 Mar
				Million pounds
Raw fiber imports	153.1	135.7	147.3	140.0
Noncellulosic	147.7	130.6	141.4	132.6
Cellulosic	5.4	5.1	5.9	7.4
Total since January 1	153.1	288.8	436.1	71.6
Wool and Mohair:		1,000 pounds		
Raw wool imports, clean	4,886	3,805	3,785	3,882
48's-and-finer	3,105	1,879	2,145	1,689
Not-finer-than-46's	1,781	1,927	1,640	1,193
Total since January 1	4,886	8,692	12,476	13,586
Wool top imports	385	303	319	235
Total since January 1	385	688	1,007	298
Mohair imports, clean	4	0	0	0
Total since January 1	4	4	4	0

NA = Not available.

COTTON SYSTEM FIBER CONSUMPTION

Item	2000 Feb	2000 Mar	2000 Apr	1999 Apr
Cotton:		1,000 480-lb bales		
All consumed by mills 1/	838	923	796	888
Total since August 1 1/	5,850	6,773	7,569	7,867
SA annual rate 2/	10,115	10,194	10,120	10,368
SA daily rate 2/	38.8	39.1	38.8	39.9
Daily rate	39.9	40.1	39.8	40.4
Upland consumed by mills 1/	825	910	785	875
Total since August 1 1/	5,771	6,681	7,466	7,757
SA daily rate 2/	38.2	38.5	38.2	39.3
Daily rate	39.3	39.5	39.3	39.8
Spindles in place	4,586	4,570	4,553	5,225
Active spindles	4,401	4,386	4,359	4,794
100 percent cotton	2,407	2,381	2,361	2,553
100 percent manmade	682	690	684	770
Blends	1,312	1,315	1,314	1,471
		Percent		
Cotton's share of fibers	78.4	77.9	77.4	79.2
Manmade:		1,000 pounds		
Total consumed by mills 1/	110,755	125,696	111,652	112,096
Total since August 1 1/	767,095	892,791	1,004,443	971,356
Daily rate	5,274	5,465	5,583	5,095
Noncellulosic staple	4,998	5,150	5,268	4,768
Cellulosic staple	276	315	315	327

1/ Adjusted to calendar month. 2/ SA = seasonally adjusted.

FIBER EXPORTS

Item	2000 Jan	2000 Feb	2000 Mar	1999 Mar
Cotton:		1,000 480-lb bales		
Upland exports	612	694	926	177
Total since August 1	2,192	2,886	3,812	3,145
Sales for next season	58	66	136	181
Total since August 1	379	445	581	428
ELS exports	46.1	42.2	52.1	44.6
Total since August 1	141.4	183.7	235.8	184.1
Sales for next season	5.0	8.2	22.8	21.3
Total since August 1	12.2	20.4	43.2	50.3
Manmade:		Million pounds		
Raw fiber exports	78.0	100.6	106.3	82.1
Noncellulosic	73.4	95.6	100.1	78.7
Cellulosic	4.6	5.0	6.2	3.4
Total since January 1	78.0	178.6	284.9	230.8
Wool and Mohair:		1,000 pounds		
Raw wool exports, clean	343.8	214.3	434.5	145.7
Total since January 1	343.8	558.1	992.6	279.1
Wool top exports	434.0	277.9	628.3	386.6
Total since January 1	434.0	711.9	1,340.2	1,144.3
Mohair exports, clean	350.9	0	171.5	311.1
Total since January 1	350.9	350.9	522.5	733.4

FIBER PRICES

Item	2000 Mar	2000 Apr	2000 May	1999 May
		Cents per pound		
Domestic cotton prices:				
Adjusted World Price	43.07	44.83	46.85	45.39
Jul'2000 futures	62.38	58.04	61.05	60.64
Dec'2000 futures	62.33	59.92	62.61	60.12
Upland spot 41-34	57.67	53.76	58.31	55.54
Pima spot 03-46	83.30	84.79	84.74	82.73
Avg. price received by:				
Upland producers	47.90	46.00	45.90	55.00
Mill delivered:				
Cotton				
Actual	64.76	61.04	64.05	63.17
Raw fiber equivalent	71.96	67.82	71.17	70.19
Rayon staple				
Actual	97.00	97.00	97.00	100.00
Raw fiber equivalent	101.04	101.04	101.04	104.17
Polyester staple				
Actual	55.00	55.00	58.00	50.00
Raw fiber equivalent	57.29	57.29	60.42	52.08
Price ratios		Percent		
Cotton/rayon	71.2	67.1	70.4	67.4
Cotton/polyester	125.6	118.4	117.8	134.8
Northern Europe cotton quotes:		Cents per pound		
A Index	57.45	58.90	60.53	59.85
Memphis Territory	64.70	64.31	68.88	NQ
California/Arizona	65.20	64.19	68.63	65.31
B Index	53.53	53.35	54.96	NQ
Orleans/Texas	52.80	52.81	57.63	NQ
Wool prices (clean):		Dollars per pound		
U.S. 56's	0.49	0.52	0.55	0.65
Australian 56's 1/	1.18	1.27	1.30	1.36
U.S. 60's	0.70	0.77	0.80	0.87
Australian 60's 1/	1.26	1.37	1.39	1.43
U.S. 64's	1.01	1.10	1.25	1.17
Australian 64's 1/	1.44	1.56	1.56	1.50

NQ = No quotes.
1/ In bond, Charleston, SC.

TEXTILE TRADE

Item	2000 Jan	2000 Feb	2000 Mar	1999 Mar
Imports:		1,000 pounds 1/		
Yarn, thread, and fabric	279,037	251,370	283,956	246,340
Cotton	113,866	112,014	123,753	101,927
Linen	42,624	20,906	29,957	27,186
Wool	3,855	4,212	4,916	4,303
Silk	1,058	889	1,028	752
Manmade	117,634	113,349	124,302	112,172
Apparel	603,476	670,410	707,131	552,573
Cotton	367,149	420,529	447,191	400,118
Linen	18,715	18,562	17,512	14,830
Wool	12,900	13,088	12,940	12,926
Silk	15,564	14,506	14,147	12,527
Manmade	189,148	203,725	215,341	112,172
House furnishings	66,173	65,918	70,289	59,740
Cotton	48,516	48,026	50,876	44,522
Linen	901	1,017	1,007	338
Wool	214	257	257	84
Silk	114	140	119	40
Manmade	16,428	16,478	18,030	14,792
Floor coverings	34,692	30,657	36,213	34,615
Cotton	4,837	4,120	4,687	4,964
Linen	5,713	4,639	5,257	5,202
Wool	10,282	8,837	10,683	9,285
Silk	715	728	779	775
Manmade	13,145	12,333	14,807	14,089
Total imports 2/	990,922	1,026,571	1,105,516	972,025
Cotton	538,333	589,642	630,889	555,799
Linen	68,023	45,176	53,812	47,621
Wool	27,326	26,446	28,835	26,688
Silk	17,451	16,264	16,073	14,094
Manmade	339,789	349,043	375,906	327,822
Exports:		1,000 pounds 1/		
Yarn, thread, and fabric	184,876	205,714	230,828	192,556
Cotton	71,997	78,930	90,978	75,160
Linen	5,317	6,474	6,900	5,714
Wool	5,304	5,241	6,397	5,577
Silk	1,806	2,210	2,413	2,034
Manmade	100,452	112,859	124,140	104,071
Apparel	135,826	151,188	189,811	172,575
Cotton	84,677	94,362	117,175	105,259
Linen	1,904	1,910	2,181	1,770
Wool	5,785	6,900	9,709	7,450
Silk	3,876	4,204	5,157	4,102
Manmade	39,584	43,812	55,589	53,994
House furnishings	5,845	6,655	7,261	6,972
Cotton	3,513	4,070	4,407	4,255
Linen	169	236	229	245
Wool	39	51	63	57
Silk	58	88	87	120
Manmade	2,066	2,210	2,475	2,295
Floor coverings	29,011	35,924	42,601	38,948
Cotton	1,981	2,685	3,390	3,029
Linen	1,332	1,526	1,844	1,819
Wool	3,365	3,924	4,953	3,657
Silk	67	55	69	93
Manmade	22,266	27,734	32,345	30,350
Total exports 2/	355,846	399,775	470,776	411,427
Cotton	162,263	180,129	216,032	187,784
Linen	8,735	10,155	11,163	9,558
Wool	14,508	16,130	21,140	16,761
Silk	5,807	6,557	7,726	6,349
Manmade	164,533	186,805	214,715	190,974

1/ Raw fiber equivalent. 2/ Includes headgear.

U.S. COTTON TEXTILE IMPORTS

Item	2000 Jan	2000 Feb	2000 Mar	1999 Mar
	1,000 pounds 1/			
North America	192,781	246,586	276,846	254,320
Canada	21,729	22,655	23,423	22,133
Costa Rica	7,024	9,002	10,563	9,381
Dominican Republic	9,662	21,803	27,103	25,964
El Salvador	16,538	21,659	23,885	18,452
Guatemala	10,464	12,279	14,409	11,394
Haiti	2,942	4,121	4,525	3,940
Honduras	26,198	38,777	42,037	38,759
Jamaica	2,291	3,230	3,768	5,170
Mexico	92,122	108,618	122,354	114,581
Nicaragua	3,603	4,135	4,459	4,038
South America	12,530	12,661	15,754	8,576
Argentina	4	25	4	25
Brazil	6,532	5,539	7,778	2,414
Chile	18	45	31	21
Colombia	2,132	3,035	3,801	3,009
Peru	3,365	3,506	3,560	2,654
Europe	36,894	36,727	43,690	29,986
Estonia	613	241	952	483
France	742	766	825	728
Germany	974	1,229	1,598	834
Italy	3,954	4,249	4,362	3,466
Portugal	3,077	2,710	3,146	2,074
Russia	1,790	1,895	2,125	740
Spain	839	1,126	1,060	1,007
Turkey	17,127	17,577	21,720	15,684
United Kingdom	978	1,416	1,304	1,244
Asia	279,514	276,651	274,340	244,144
Bahrain	2,296	2,180	3,376	1,311
Bangladesh	21,926	19,895	21,406	15,158
China	34,532	36,899	30,830	31,704
Hong Kong	30,475	30,767	20,558	20,373
India	31,113	29,136	35,543	37,978
Indonesia	11,835	11,355	12,599	12,380
Israel	3,749	2,549	4,048	3,191
Japan	1,440	1,412	1,498	1,373
Macao	4,988	5,343	3,624	5,016
Malaysia	4,748	5,293	7,246	6,406
Nepal	1,708	2,742	3,420	2,653
Oman	1,615	1,526	2,195	2,079
Pakistan	43,854	45,656	44,689	31,648
Philippines	15,218	11,155	11,587	10,973
Qatar	1,255	1,415	1,738	1,226
Singapore	2,973	3,338	1,711	2,712
South Korea	10,141	9,420	9,932	8,930
Sri Lanka	8,609	8,457	9,272	10,006
Taiwan	12,586	11,470	10,762	10,896
Thailand	15,748	14,209	14,903	11,203
U Arab Em	3,425	4,773	4,566	2,840
Oceania	2,425	2,296	1,877	2,003
Australia	1,186	1,021	575	939
Fiji	704	957	971	768
Africa	14,190	14,720	18,382	16,769
Egypt	6,168	6,641	8,184	7,963
Lesotho	1,653	2,087	2,551	1,859
Mauritius	1,482	1,902	1,827	2,298
Morocco	753	939	1,314	1,070
South Africa	1,524	864	1,420	1,305
Tunisia	98	165	99	153
World 2/	538,333	589,642	630,889	555,799

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Country	2000 Jan	2000 Feb	2000 Mar	1999 Mar
	1,000 pounds 1/			
North America	146,781	160,075	194,440	165,363
Canada	28,739	26,789	30,644	30,699
Costa Rica	7,013	6,977	8,995	6,370
Dominican Republic	12,902	16,909	19,716	16,746
El Salvador	8,719	9,095	12,008	7,275
Guatemala	2,463	3,178	3,020	3,673
Haiti	1,733	2,324	2,872	1,891
Honduras	21,613	23,254	26,093	24,557
Jamaica	1,879	2,004	2,578	3,338
Mexico	60,187	67,701	86,430	69,015
South America	2,957	3,835	4,761	3,814
Argentina	101	259	140	170
Brazil	406	538	411	210
Chile	610	503	1,375	655
Colombia	903	821	1,357	1,262
Peru	68	510	45	135
Venezuela	650	956	1,104	1,060
Europe	5,867	6,650	8,193	8,281
Belgium	2,189	1,795	2,731	2,145
France	404	376	672	311
Germany	442	655	700	797
Ireland	55	84	98	86
Italy	246	484	268	316
Netherlands	533	544	491	511
United Kingdom	1,275	1,676	2,214	2,735
Asia	5,852	8,602	7,594	8,783
China	167	300	345	342
Hong Kong	530	759	755	1,093
Israel	379	528	459	785
Japan	2,936	3,516	3,433	3,753
Philippines	177	197	221	568
Saudi Arabia	357	470	243	361
Singapore	228	239	301	298
South Korea	338	501	676	269
Taiwan	179	435	289	253
U Arab Em	176	183	163	236
Oceania	447	571	576	751
Australia	346	472	488	486
New Zealand	89	74	66	145
Africa	361	396	468	792
Egypt	1	19	40	22
Ghana	26	18	9	53
Ivory Coast	5	0	20	21
Nigeria	21	76	49	341
South Africa	41	100	93	106
World 2/	162,263	180,129	216,032	187,784

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