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U.S. Net Textile and Apparel Imports Rise in 2007

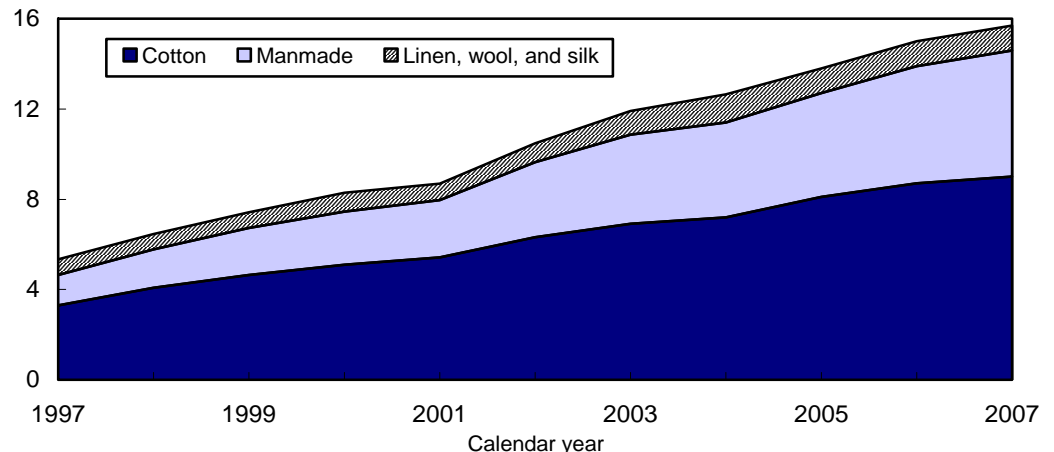
U.S. net textile and apparel trade expanded slightly in calendar year 2007. Total fiber product imports were 19.7 billion raw-fiber-equivalent pounds, similar to 2006's record. On the other hand, fiber product exports declined for the second consecutive year to 4.1 billion pounds, the lowest since 1996. As a result, net fiber product imports reached a record of 15.6 billion pounds in 2007, 4 percent above 2006 (fig. 1).

Cotton products were the largest contributor to net textile trade in 2007, accounting for nearly 58 percent of the total. Manmade fibers contributed nearly 36 percent, while the other fiber products accounted for the remaining share. In 2007, U.S. cotton textile and apparel imports were essentially unchanged at 11 billion pounds, while textile exports declined to 2 billion pounds, pushing net cotton product imports higher. Net textile imports were also higher for manmade fibers while those for the other fiber products were effectively unchanged.

Figure 1

U.S. net imports of textile and apparel fiber products

Billion pounds



Note: See tables 12 and 13 for annual fiber data by category.

Sources: USDA, Economic Research Service, USDC, and U.S. Census Bureau.

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Domestic Outlook

U.S. Cotton Acreage Expected Lower Again in 2008

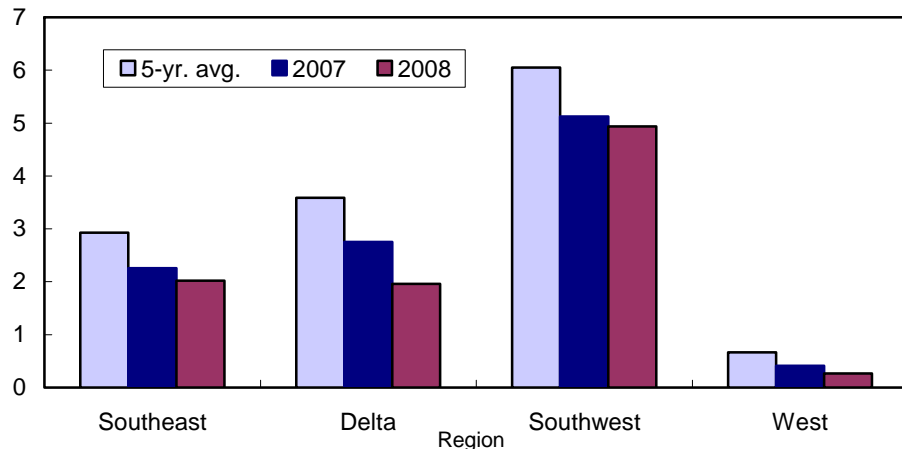
U.S. cotton acreage in 2008 is projected to decline for the second consecutive year. Based on the U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) *Prospective Plantings* report which surveyed farmers at the beginning of March, farmers intend to plant only about 9.4 million acres to cotton in 2008. The initial area estimate is 1.4 million acres (13 percent) below plantings in 2007 and the lowest cotton area since 1983 when government programs reduced acreage to 7.9 million acres. Upland cotton plantings are projected at nearly 9.2 million acres—also the lowest in 25 years—while extra-long staple (ELS) cotton is expected to decline to 204,000 acres, the lowest in 5 years. These estimates will be updated at the end of June in USDA's *Acreage* report.

According to *Prospective Plantings*, U.S. upland cotton area is forecast to drop below 10 million acres for the first time since 1986. An area decrease was expected once again for 2008 despite higher cotton prices, as competing crop prices were significantly higher for the upcoming year. Although U.S. upland area is expected to decline in each region, most of the decrease is coming from the eastern half of the Cotton Belt as the Delta and Southeast combined for a 1-million-acre decrease (fig. 2). The Delta acreage is projected at 2 million acres, down 29 percent from 2007 and the lowest since 1983. The Southeast cotton area is also expected to total 2 million acres in 2008, 10 percent below last season and the lowest since 1993.

Upland cotton area in the Southwest is projected at 4.9 million acres in 2008, less than 4 percent below 2007 but the lowest in 25 years. Fewer alternative crops are viable in this region, which has pushed the region's share of upland area to about 54 percent for 2008, the largest since 1983. In the West, upland acreage continues to decline and is forecast to fall about 140,000 acres (35 percent) in 2008 to 269,000 acres. The West's upland area forecast would be the lowest since 1922 and only a third of the 10-year average; upland area has moved to permanent crops recently.

Figure 2
U.S. regional upland cotton planted area

Million acres



Note: 2008 based on *Prospective Plantings* report.
Sources: USDA, NASS, *Crop Production* reports.

U.S. 2007/08 Cotton Supply and Demand Adjustments

The 2007/08 U.S. cotton crop was raised this month to 19.4 million bales (upland—18.55 million bales and ELS—850,000 bales), as indicated in the March 2008 *Cotton Ginnings* report. USDA will release final production estimates on May 9th. With beginning stocks and imports unchanged in April, the season's cotton supply is now estimated at 28.9 million bales, 1.2 million (4 percent) above 2006/07.

Slightly offsetting the supply gain was an increase in the estimate for 2007/08 mill use. The U.S. cotton mill use estimate was raised 100,000 bales this month to 4.7 million, as recent textile activity has stabilized near this level. Despite this, mill use is 5 percent below 2006/07 and remains the lowest in nearly a century. U.S. exports, on the other hand, were unchanged this month at 14.5 million bales as world trade projections were marginally lower. Based on the current forecast, U.S. exports would be their second highest on record behind 2005/06's 17.5 million bales. The U.S. share of global trade for 2007/08 is estimated at 37 percent, equal to the average of the previous 2 seasons.

With U.S. production now exceeding demand in 2007/08, ending stocks are projected to rise slightly this season to 9.7 million bales, the largest since 1966/67. However, the stocks-to-use ratio is currently below that of 2006/07; this season's ratio is estimated at 50.5 percent, compared with nearly 53 percent in 2006/07.

U.S. Textile Trade: Imports and Exports Rebound in January

January 2008 textile imports, at 1.5 billion (raw-fiber equivalent) pounds, were 7 percent above December but 6 percent below a year earlier. Imports of all major fibers and all major end-use categories rose from December 2007. Cotton textile imports, at 825 million pounds, accounted for 57 percent of total monthly shipments and were 6 percent above imports in December 2007. Asian countries remain the dominant source of U.S. cotton textiles, accounting for 74 percent in January.

U.S. textile exports totaled 318 million pounds in January 2008, up 15 percent from December 2007 but 2 percent below a year ago. Increases in shipments of all major fibers, except silk, and all major end-uses, except floor coverings, occurred in January. U.S. cotton textile exports, at 157 million pounds, were 19 percent above December 2007. Exports to other North American countries accounted for 91 percent of the January total, the same share as in January 2007.

The textile trade deficit for total fibers during January 2008 was 1.2 billion pounds, 7 percent below a year ago. Similarly, the cotton textile trade deficit declined 8 percent from January 2007. Cotton's share of the textile trade deficit was 57 percent, the same as a year earlier. Textile trade deficits for manmade fibers, wool, silk, and linen also were below year-ago levels.

China and India Consume More than Half of the World's Cotton

World cotton production for 2007/08 is estimated at 119.7 million bales, up 0.2 percent from the previous month's estimate. This increase comes mainly from higher estimated production in India and the United States. However, when compared with 2006/07, world cotton production is down 2.4 million bales, a 1.9-percent decline. In 2007/08, India's production is estimated at 25 million bales, an increase of 3.2 million bales (15 percent) from the 2006/07 crop. Increasing acreage and use of genetically modified (GM) cottonseed appear to be driving production gains in India.

Consumption in 2007/08 is expected to rise 1.4 percent from the previous year's estimate to an all time high of about 125 million bales. Cotton mill use has risen sharply over the years in China, India, Pakistan, and Turkey, the world's leading cotton users. China and India alone will account for about 57 percent (71 million bales) of world cotton consumption in 2007/08. World cotton supply is expected to remain fairly stable in 2007/08—increasing only 481,000 bales (0.3 percent) from the 219.5 million bales in the preceding year.

World ending stocks, which were at 61 million bales last year, are expected to fall by 1.6 million bales (2.5 percent) in 2007/08. This stock depletion follows the widening disparity between increasing world cotton consumption and a stable world cotton supply. Ending stocks in China are estimated at 16.3 million bales, down 2.3 million from the previous year.

World Cotton Trade Up as China's Mill Use Continues to Grow

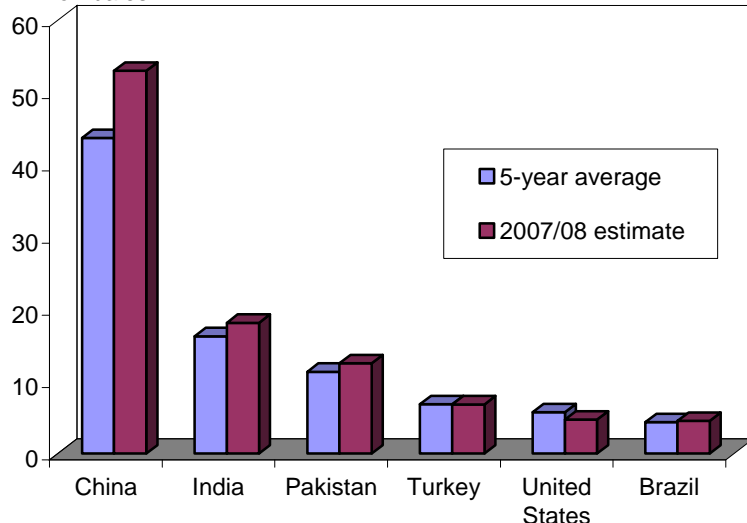
World cotton exports are estimated at 38.9 million bales, up 4.5 percent from the previous year. The bulk of the surge in world cotton exports comes from the United States, Brazil, and India. The United States, the world's leading cotton exporter, will account for 37 percent of cotton exports in 2007/08. India and Brazil will account for 16 percent and 6 percent, respectively. Brazil is estimated to import 250,000 bales in 2007/08, down more than 50 percent from the previous year. At the same time, Brazil's exports are estimated to grow 77 percent to an all time high of 2.3 million bales. This surge in exports is partly due to increasing supplies from Brazil's Mato Grosso state where about 52 percent of the country's cotton is produced. In addition, there has been increasing demand for Brazil's cotton from China, Pakistan, South Korea, and Europe.

World cotton imports for 2007/08 are estimated at 39 million bales, up 4.8 percent from the previous year. China has the unique characteristic of being both the world's leading cotton producer and consumer. Given the huge gap between domestic cotton production and consumption, China leads the world in cotton imports. In 2007/08, China alone is expected to account for 31 percent of world cotton imports, representing 23 percent of China's estimated cotton consumption for that year. Strong growth in textile exports and a growing domestic economy are driving the increasing cotton consumption in China. Mill use in China is estimated at 53 million bales, up 3 million from 2006/07. At the estimated level, China would more than double its use of cotton from a decade ago.

Figure 3

Cotton consumption by top mill users

Million bales



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

Figure 3 shows the 2007/08 estimated mill use and the 5-year average by top tier cotton users. The average mill use is calculated from 2003/04 to 2007/08. For both the average and current year estimates, China stands out as the largest user of cotton. Following a distant second is India, where mill use is forecast to remain flat at 18.1 million bales in 2007/08. In the United States, mill use has been declining since 2004/05. In 2007/08, the United States is estimated to use 4.7 million bales of cotton, down 5 percent from 2006/07. The share of mill use in the 2007/08 U.S. production estimate is 24 percent as compared with the share of exports which is estimated at 75 percent.

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

Item	2006/07	2007/08		
		Feb.	Mar.	Apr.
<i>Million acres</i>				
Upland:				
Planted	14.948	10.538	10.538	10.538
Harvested	12.408	10.204	10.204	10.204
<i>Pounds</i>				
Yield/harvested acre	806	857	857	873
<i>Million 480-lb. bales</i>				
Beginning stocks	5.981	9.368	9.368	9.368
Production	20.823	18.208	18.208	18.550
Total supply 1/	26.814	27.586	27.581	27.923
Mill use	4.907	4.565	4.565	4.665
Exports	12.338	14.880	13.680	13.660
Total use	17.245	19.445	18.245	18.325
Ending stocks 2/	9.368	8.121	9.321	9.616
<i>Percent</i>				
Stocks-to-use ratio	54.3	41.8	51.1	52.5
<i>1,000 acres</i>				
Extra-long staple:				
Planted	326.0	292.3	292.3	292.3
Harvested	323.5	288.2	288.2	288.2
<i>Pounds</i>				
Yield/harvested acre	1,136	1,374	1,374	1,416
<i>1,000 480-lb. bales</i>				
Beginning stocks	69	109	109	109
Production	765	825	825	850
Total supply 1/	843	944	944	969
Mill use	39	35	35	35
Exports	672	820	820	840
Total use	711	855	855	875
Ending stocks 2/	109	79	79	84
<i>Percent</i>				
Stocks-to-use ratio	15.4	9.3	9.3	9.6

1/ Includes imports. 2/ Includes unaccounted.

Last update: 04/10/08.

Sources: USDA, World Agricultural Outlook Board and USDC,
U.S. Census Bureau.

Table 2--World cotton supply and use estimates

Item	2006/07	2007/08		
		Feb.	Mar.	Apr.
<i>Million 480-lb. bales</i>				
Supply:				
Beginning stocks--				
World	60.15	60.71	61.03	61.20
Foreign	54.10	51.24	51.56	51.72
Production--				
World	122.08	119.21	118.89	119.73
Foreign	100.49	100.18	99.86	100.33
Imports--				
World	37.31	40.32	39.24	39.09
Foreign	37.29	40.30	39.22	39.07
Use:				
Mill use--				
World	123.24	126.32	124.45	124.94
Foreign	118.30	121.72	119.85	120.24
Exports--				
World	37.26	40.05	39.02	38.94
Foreign	24.25	24.35	24.52	24.44
Ending stocks--				
World	61.20	57.33	59.16	59.64
Foreign	51.72	49.13	49.76	49.94
<i>Percent</i>				
Stocks-to-use ratio:				
World	49.7	45.4	47.5	47.7
Foreign	43.7	40.4	41.5	41.5

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Source: USDA, World Agricultural Outlook Board.

Table 3--U.S. fiber supply

Item	2007		2008																																	
	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Feb.																																
<i>1,000 480-lb. bales</i>																																				
Cotton:																																				
Ginnings	3,195	1,993	759	445																																
Imports since August 1	3.4	6.0	NA	9.0																																
Stocks, beginning	16,345	18,274	18,925	21,059																																
At mills	165	177	192	273																																
Public storage	14,878	16,625	16,988	18,744																																
CCC stocks	8,143	10,364	10,852	14,395																																
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Production	536.8	621.7	599.8	599.2																																
Noncellulosic	536.8	621.7	599.8	599.2																																
Cellulosic	NA	NA	NA	NA																																
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Raw wool imports, clean	1,328.0	956.3	1,753.3	1,250.1																																
48s-and-finer	337.2	210.5	649.7	408.4																																
Not-finer-than-46s	990.8	745.8	1,103.6	841.7																																
Total since January 1	13,313.4	14,269.7	1,753.3	1,250.1																																
Wool top imports	109.0	350.3	198.8	514.7																																
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NA = Not available.

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

Table 4--U.S. cotton system fiber consumption

Item	2007	2008		2007
	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Feb.
<i>1,000 480-lb. bales</i>				
Cotton:				
All consumed by mills 1/	301	401	385	378
Total since August 1 1/	1,945	2,346	2,731	2,859
SA annual rate 2/	4,740	4,699	4,713	4,808
SA daily rate 2/	18.1	17.9	18.0	18.4
Daily rate	14.3	17.5	18.3	18.9
Upland consumed by mills 1/	299	398	382	375
Total since August 1 1/	1,930	2,328	2,710	2,836
Daily rate	14.2	17.3	18.2	18.7
<i>1,000 spindles/hours</i>				
Spindles in place	1,444	1,396	1,397	1,632
Active spindles	1,377	1,340	1,339	1,472
Spindle hours (1,000)	750	878	694	806
<i>Percent</i>				
Cotton's share of fibers	86.1	86.1	86.4	85.3
<i>1,000 pounds</i>				
Manmade:				
Total consumed by mills 1/	23,268	31,225	29,029	31,300
Total since August 1 1/	157,011	188,236	217,265	247,462
Daily rate	1,108	1,358	1,382	1,565
Noncellulosic staple	1,066	1,331	1,357	1,520
Cellulosic staple	42	27	25	45

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

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Source: USDC, U.S. Census Bureau.

Table 5--U.S. fiber exports

Item	2007		2008	2007
	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Jan.
<i>1,000 480-lb. bales</i>				
Cotton:				
Upland exports	877	886	826	752
Total since August 1	4,275	5,161	5,987	3,434
Sales for next season	32	18	94	55
Total since August 1	195	213	307	265
Extra-long staple exports	61.8	78.4	117.8	78.8
Total since August 1	171.2	249.6	367.4	227.9
Sales for next season	0.0	0.5	0.3	0.3
Total since August 1	9.1	9.6	9.9	46.2
<i>Million pounds</i>				
Manmade:				
Raw fiber exports	71.1	57.1	61.1	63.4
Noncellulosic	62.6	51.4	60.4	62.3
Cellulosic	8.5	5.7	0.7	1.1
Total since January 1	719.8	776.9	61.1	63.4
<i>1,000 pounds</i>				
Wool and mohair:				
Raw wool exports, clean	1,163.4	525.5	898.2	1,376.1
Total since January 1	16,533.1	17,058.6	898.2	1,376.1
Wool top exports	2.7	10.5	44.3	271.7
Total since January 1	2,218.3	2,228.8	44.3	271.7
Mohair exports, clean	101.0	131.2	0.0	95.0
Total since January 1	781.8	913.1	0.0	95.0

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Sources: USDA, *Export Sales*; USDC, U.S. Census Bureau; and *Fiber Organon*.

Table 6--U.S. and world fiber prices

Item	2008			2007
	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Mar.
	<i>Cents per pound</i>			
Domestic cotton prices:				
Adjusted world price	57.62	59.10	64.36	43.62
Upland spot 41-34	63.34	65.92	69.27	49.21
Pima spot 03-46	89.14	89.00	89.00	87.82
Avg. price received by upland producers	60.70	61.90	61.40	46.40
Mill delivered:				
Cotton--				
Actual	73.32	74.25	NA	57.69
Raw-fiber equivalent	81.47	82.54	NA	64.10
Rayon staple--				
Actual	113.00	113.00	NA	113.00
Raw-fiber equivalent	117.71	117.71	NA	117.71
Polyester staple--				
Actual	74.00	74.00	NA	74.00
Raw-fiber equivalent	77.08	77.08	NA	77.08
	<i>Percent</i>			
Price ratios				
Cotton/rayon	69.2	70.1	NA	54.5
Cotton/polyester	120.3	121.8	NA	83.2
	<i>Cents per pound</i>			
Northern Europe cotton quotes:				
A Index	74.08	76.01	81.65	59.95
Memphis Territory	74.85	77.13	84.94	61.65
California/Arizona	79.00	80.94	87.69	64.40
B Index	NQ	NQ	NQ	57.36
Orleans/Texas	70.10	72.00	78.94	55.90
	<i>Dollars per pound</i>			
Wool prices (clean):				
U.S. 56s	2.04	2.07	1.74	1.15
Australian 56s 1/	2.70	2.69	2.71	2.26
U.S. 60s	2.29	2.47	2.44	2.06
Australian 60s 1/	3.69	3.62	3.62	3.08
U.S. 64s	2.90	3.18	3.19	2.45
Australian 64s 1/	4.16	4.11	4.07	3.55

NQ = No quote. NA = Not available.

1/ In bond, Charleston, SC.

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Sources: USDA, Agricultural Marketing Service, USDA, ERS; *Cotton and Wool Outlook*; and trade reports.

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

Item	2007		2008	2007
	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Jan.
	<i>1,000 pounds 1/</i>			
Yarn, thread, and fabric	233,170	237,470	250,987	259,678
Cotton	69,870	67,339	65,765	78,538
Linen	15,799	28,343	28,237	28,698
Wool	4,005	3,684	3,527	3,479
Silk	1,446	1,534	1,365	1,313
Manmade	142,050	136,570	152,093	147,650
Apparel	990,280	867,194	929,148	982,198
Cotton	628,259	560,544	587,026	618,455
Linen	13,763	12,564	17,743	22,041
Wool	22,998	14,473	15,141	15,013
Silk	11,724	11,563	15,406	19,704
Manmade	313,536	268,050	293,832	306,986
Home furnishings	258,176	219,718	235,390	237,510
Cotton	155,650	139,332	155,718	156,566
Linen	1,008	1,002	1,375	1,246
Wool	487	341	331	301
Silk	804	912	654	755
Manmade	100,227	78,131	77,312	78,643
Floor coverings	62,076	56,251	64,047	62,205
Cotton	10,033	8,382	9,949	9,417
Linen	12,272	10,848	12,199	12,564
Wool	14,830	13,355	14,491	16,468
Silk	2,056	1,624	1,739	1,397
Manmade	22,885	22,042	25,669	22,358
Total imports 2/	1,556,105	1,391,749	1,491,318	1,554,456
Cotton	868,376	781,055	824,599	869,904
Linen	43,683	53,664	60,456	65,400
Wool	42,600	32,078	33,683	35,395
Silk	16,031	15,634	19,166	23,170
Manmade	585,415	509,318	553,414	560,587

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

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Sources: USDA, Economic Research Service and USDC,
U.S. Census Bureau.

Table 8--U.S. textile exports, by fiber

Item	2007		2008	2007
	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Jan.
	<i>1,000 pounds 1/</i>			
Yarn, thread, and fabric	267,633	219,107	258,347	250,513
Cotton	148,011	115,533	139,253	135,382
Linen	6,429	5,546	6,359	6,876
Wool	2,930	2,516	3,433	4,623
Silk	1,890	1,533	1,770	2,185
Manmade	108,373	93,979	107,532	101,447
Apparel	28,189	24,906	26,641	43,501
Cotton	12,664	10,948	12,642	22,441
Linen	593	335	423	431
Wool	2,271	2,046	1,918	2,349
Silk	1,574	1,474	1,266	1,795
Manmade	11,087	10,103	10,392	16,484
Home furnishings	8,954	4,347	4,571	5,196
Cotton	3,470	2,440	2,614	2,864
Linen	188	195	153	219
Wool	3,032	85	72	76
Silk	78	94	52	101
Manmade	2,186	1,533	1,681	1,935
Floor coverings	31,320	28,444	27,789	26,124
Cotton	2,168	2,189	1,962	1,802
Linen	1,107	1,120	1,053	1,010
Wool	3,032	2,635	2,660	2,332
Silk	35	44	29	52
Manmade	24,978	22,456	22,085	20,927
Total exports 2/	333,422	277,036	317,623	325,503
Cotton	166,406	131,208	156,573	162,552
Linen	8,326	7,204	7,995	8,541
Wool	8,358	7,290	8,093	9,385
Silk	3,577	3,144	3,117	4,133
Manmade	146,755	128,190	141,845	140,891

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

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Sources: USDA, Economic Research Service and USDC, U.S. Census Bureau.

Table 9--U.S. cotton textile imports, by country of origin

Region/country	2007		2008	2007
	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Jan.
	<i>1,000 pounds 1/</i>			
North America	202,418	179,170	153,436	160,696
Canada	6,410	4,427	4,829	9,344
Costa Rica	6,602	5,344	3,731	4,510
Dominican Republic	9,800	7,102	4,966	5,639
El Salvador	22,081	22,737	19,590	17,510
Guatemala	13,696	12,581	15,520	14,856
Haiti	11,928	11,799	5,641	8,250
Honduras	46,022	42,608	32,635	32,695
Jamaica	218	224	189	214
Mexico	68,845	55,285	50,958	55,123
Nicaragua	16,735	16,994	15,345	12,363
South America	17,454	12,283	15,803	15,683
Brazil	9,100	5,737	7,345	7,277
Colombia	3,286	2,825	2,852	3,094
Peru	4,640	3,394	5,294	4,958
Europe	25,338	17,956	18,257	22,605
Italy	3,907	3,523	3,346	3,302
Portugal	2,833	1,411	1,694	2,917
Russia	65	28	86	171
Turkey	12,352	7,279	7,084	9,806
Asia	599,657	548,976	611,404	640,031
Bahrain	1,772	2,064	2,172	2,012
Bangladesh	36,563	38,781	46,618	46,777
Cambodia	24,349	24,046	24,260	23,641
China	212,247	183,787	226,019	257,402
Hong Kong	23,998	17,947	15,309	11,678
India	64,287	54,904	67,766	69,151
Indonesia	27,799	26,688	29,153	31,983
Israel	1,902	1,956	2,663	2,279
Macao	11,025	11,197	10,482	7,246
Malaysia	6,531	6,183	5,352	5,361
Pakistan	82,308	77,368	72,302	81,900
Philippines	10,509	11,342	10,735	12,689
Singapore	685	781	701	966
South Korea	9,170	8,462	8,556	8,844
Sri Lanka	9,740	11,244	11,976	13,737
Taiwan	8,693	7,425	7,461	7,262
Thailand	15,970	14,970	16,251	16,677
United Arab Emirates	2,258	1,895	1,890	3,075
Oceania	412	128	295	422
Australia	121	49	143	111
Africa	23,089	22,541	25,400	30,466
Egypt	9,829	9,296	12,233	12,827
Lesotho	4,716	4,356	4,557	6,200
South Africa	203	205	186	248
World 2/	868,376	781,055	824,599	869,904

1/ Raw-fiber equivalent. 2/ Totals may not add due to rounding.

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Sources: USDA, Economic Research Service and USDC, U.S. Census Bureau.

Table 10--U.S. cotton textile exports, by destination country

Region/country	2007		2008	2007
	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Jan.
	<i>1,000 pounds 1/</i>			
North America	150,583	117,211	142,724	148,621
Bahamas	107	118	209	200
Canada	11,896	8,641	11,378	14,710
Costa Rica	1,812	1,504	1,151	2,894
Dominican Republic	20,009	11,137	15,868	19,810
El Salvador	13,577	12,094	14,124	11,840
Guatemala	5,500	6,776	5,190	5,786
Haiti	244	197	612	894
Honduras	60,577	50,198	59,344	50,528
Jamaica	137	107	73	605
Mexico	34,888	24,868	33,401	39,810
Nicaragua	1,171	974	810	857
Panama	120	132	258	89
South America	5,276	3,082	4,011	4,473
Argentina	84	142	77	46
Brazil	891	907	639	330
Chile	154	269	225	195
Colombia	2,747	1,326	1,205	2,094
Ecuador	71	107	36	71
Peru	516	196	347	351
Venezuela	742	106	1,406	1,269
Europe	3,567	3,613	4,059	3,636
Belgium	575	651	471	630
France	169	227	435	212
Germany	573	564	616	355
Italy	144	160	195	171
Netherlands	388	313	379	346
Turkey	78	98	78	123
United Kingdom	944	968	1,106	904
Asia	5,963	6,114	4,878	4,997
China	888	870	908	678
Hong Kong	607	571	580	481
Israel	152	280	196	214
Japan	884	1,037	938	1,007
Malaysia	32	24	44	15
Philippines	322	142	55	108
Saudi Arabia	190	171	161	183
Singapore	409	293	205	153
South Korea	778	673	521	590
Sri Lanka	45	51	52	78
Taiwan	262	378	324	92
United Arab Emirates	274	255	221	337
Oceania	595	567	633	377
Australia	450	420	457	292
Africa	404	582	264	394
Morocco	47	5	12	42
World 2/	166,406	121,208	156,573	162,552

1/ Raw-fiber equivalent. 2/ Totals may not add due to rounding.

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Sources: USDA, Economic Research Service and USDC, U.S. Census Bureau.

Table 11--U.S. actual and projected cotton acreage

State/region	Actual 2006	Actual 2007	Projected 2008 1/	2008/2007
	1,000 acres		Percent	
Upland:				
Alabama	575	400	300	75
Florida	103	85	72	85
Georgia	1,400	1,030	1,050	102
N. Carolina	870	500	420	84
S. Carolina	300	180	120	67
Virginia	105	60	60	100
Southeast	3,353	2,255	2,022	90
Arkansas	1,170	860	650	76
Louisiana	635	335	280	84
Mississippi	1,230	660	420	64
Missouri	500	380	300	79
Tennessee	700	515	310	60
Delta	4,235	2,750	1,960	71
Kansas	115	47	45	96
Oklahoma	320	175	190	109
Texas	6,400	4,900	4,700	96
Southwest	6,835	5,122	4,935	96
Arizona	190	170	140	82
California	285	195	100	51
New Mexico	50	46	29	63
West	525	411	269	65
Total upland	14,948	10,538	9,186	87
Pima:				
Arizona	7	3	1	40
California	275	260	180	69
New Mexico	13	5	3	54
Texas	31	25	20	80
Total Pima	326	292	204	70
Total All	15,274	10,830	9,390	87

1/ Planting intentions as indicated by reports from farmers.

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Source: USDA, *Prospective Plantings*.

Table 12--Annual U.S. textile imports, by fiber

Item	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
	<i>Million pounds 1/</i>				
Yarn, thread, and fabric	3,222	3,354	3,370	3,305	3,019
Cotton	1,275	1,247	1,155	1,086	900
Linen	273	286	247	262	242
Wool	45	45	46	46	46
Silk	14	16	15	16	16
Manmade	1,617	1,760	1,906	1,894	1,815
Apparel	11,006	11,435	12,339	12,676	12,812
Cotton	6,770	6,934	7,671	7,975	8,050
Linen	229	318	283	253	201
Wool	282	285	283	272	293
Silk	194	244	215	191	171
Manmade	3,531	3,653	3,887	3,986	4,097
Home furnishings	1,711	1,988	2,464	2,782	2,929
Cotton	1,030	1,154	1,506	1,716	1,846
Linen	17	15	16	19	14
Wool	6	5	5	5	4
Silk	5	5	7	12	9
Manmade	653	809	930	1,029	1,056
Floor coverings	629	704	732	788	771
Cotton	93	109	99	110	111
Linen	116	142	157	162	159
Wool	166	171	176	187	169
Silk	16	18	16	19	22
Manmade	239	265	285	310	310
Total imports 2/	16,693	17,628	18,905	19,710	19,693
Cotton	9,232	9,523	10,430	10,960	10,975
Linen	638	766	703	706	626
Wool	502	510	510	515	517
Silk	229	283	253	238	218
Manmade	6,093	6,546	7,008	7,292	7,357

1/ Raw fiber equivalent. 2/ Includes headgear.

Note: Data are for calendar years.

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Sources: USDA and U.S. Census Bureau.

Table 13--Annual U.S. textile exports, by fiber

Item	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
<i>Million pounds 1/</i>					
Yarn, thread, and fabric	3,049	3,379	3,506	3,440	3,198
Cotton	1,458	1,639	1,753	1,779	1,726
Linen	80	85	99	92	83
Wool	49	56	60	65	49
Silk	28	29	28	27	25
Manmade	1,434	1,570	1,566	1,476	1,315
Apparel	1,317	1,182	1,060	788	432
Cotton	787	633	509	411	207
Linen	19	16	11	9	6
Wool	64	44	47	39	29
Silk	34	30	37	31	22
Manmade	413	460	455	297	168
Home furnishings	72	70	77	65	66
Cotton	44	41	44	36	37
Linen	3	3	3	2	2
Wool	2	2	2	2	1
Silk	1	1	1	1	1
Manmade	24	24	28	24	25
Floor coverings	346	370	392	381	372
Cotton	28	30	28	29	27
Linen	15	16	15	15	14
Wool	27	25	34	31	34
Silk	1	1	1	1	1
Manmade	276	299	314	306	296
Total exports 2/	4,787	5,004	5,039	4,676	4,073
Cotton	2,317	2,343	2,335	2,256	1,998
Linen	116	119	128	119	106
Wool	141	127	143	136	114
Silk	63	61	67	59	49
Manmade	2,149	2,354	2,366	2,105	1,806

1/ Raw fiber equivalent. 2/ Includes headgear.

Note: Data are for calendar years.

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Sources: USDA and U.S. Census Bureau.