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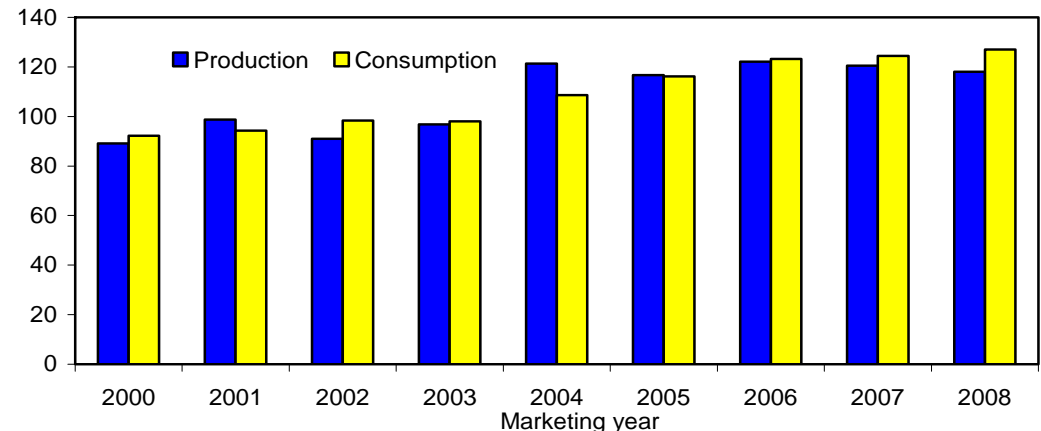
The first U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) cotton forecast for 2008/09 indicates a small decrease in global cotton production, while world cotton mill use rises by a similar amount. World production in 2008/09 is forecast to reach 118 million bales, a 2-percent decline or approximately 2.5 million bales. The dramatic decline in the United States' production forecast is partially offset by gains in the total foreign crop, which is expected to increase about 2 percent.

Meanwhile, global mill use is projected to rise by 2 percent in 2008/09, a below-average growth rate, as the world economy continues to grow more slowly than in recent years. World cotton mill use is forecast at 127 million bales in 2008/09, compared with the current season's 124.4 million bales. Growth continues to come from outside the United States. With global mill use forecast to exceed production, 2008/09 ending stocks are projected to decline 6 million bales to nearly 55.6 million, the lowest in 5 years.

Figure 1

World cotton production and consumption

Million bales



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

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Domestic Outlook

Smaller U.S. Cotton Crop Projected for 2008

According to USDA's first estimate for 2008/09, U.S. cotton production is projected at 14.5 million bales, about 25 percent lower than the final 2007/08 crop. Based on *Prospective Plantings*, cotton area in 2008 is forecast at about 9.4 million acres, 13 percent below 2007 and the lowest since 1983. Harvested area, estimated at approximately 8.4 million acres, is based on the 10-year U.S. average abandonment. The national yield, projected at 830 pounds per harvested acre, is based on 3-year average yields by State. With these projections, the 2008 U.S. cotton crop would be the lowest in a decade. As of May 4th, U.S. cotton plantings were 26 percent complete, compared with 28 percent for last season and 32 percent for the previous 5-year average.

2008/09 Demand Forecast Similar to 2007/08; Stocks To Decline

Demand for U.S. cotton in 2008/09 is expected to be equal to this season's 18.8 million bales, but exports are forecast to account for a larger share. U.S. cotton exports are expected rise in 2008/09 to 14.5 million bales, 300,000 bales above the latest 2007/08 estimate and equal to the U.S. crop projection. The export forecast, accounting for 77 percent of the anticipated demand for U.S. cotton, is supported by an increase in foreign mill use coupled with a decline in foreign stocks in 2007/08. Despite a projected increase in foreign production in 2008/09, foreign import demand also is likely to rise, reaching 41 million bales. Although U.S. exports are projected to increase from 2007/08, the U.S. share of global trade is expected to decline from 37 percent to 35 percent in 2008/09.

U.S. cotton mill use is projected to trend lower once again in 2008/09, as pressures from imported products continue to reduce capacity in the U.S. textile industry. The initial forecast of 4.3 million bales is 300,000 bales below the 2007/08 estimate and the lowest in more than 100 years.

With U.S. cotton demand forecast to exceed production in 2008/09, ending stocks are projected to decrease significantly after 4 years of increases. Stocks are projected at 5.6 million bales on July 31, 2009, with a stocks-to-use ratio estimated at 30 percent, compared with the current season's 53 percent.

2007/08 Production and Demand Estimates Slightly Lower

In May, USDA released final U.S. cotton area, yield, and production estimates for 2007/08. The most notable adjustments were in production and yield, as area was about unchanged. The final production estimate was lowered to 19.2 million bales, based on the final *Ginnings* report, and produced a record national yield of 879 pounds per harvested acre.

Meanwhile, U.S. cotton demand also was lowered in May, with reductions in both exports and mill use. Exports were lowered to 14.2 million bales, while mill use was reduced to 4.6 million; both decreases were the result of recent activity. With total demand at 18.8 million bales and production at 19.2 million, stocks are rising once again this season. Ending stocks for 2007/08 are estimated at 9.9 million bales, the largest since the mid-1960s.

U.S. Textile Trade: Trade Deficit Declined in February

In February 2008, U.S. textile imports, at 1.4 billion (raw-fiber equivalent) pounds, were 4 percent below January but slightly above February 2007. Shipments of cotton, wool, and manmade fiber textiles declined from a month earlier. Imports for all major end-use categories were lower in February. Cotton imports, at 814 million pounds, declined 1 percent from January, but were slightly above year-ago levels. U.S. cotton imports from other North American countries rose 26 percent to 193 million pounds in February; these imports accounted for 24 percent of the total. Conversely, February imports from Asian countries decreased 6 percent to 573 million pounds. Imports from China were down 11 percent and represented 35 percent of shipments from Asian countries. U.S. textile imports from Asia accounted for 70 percent of February's total.

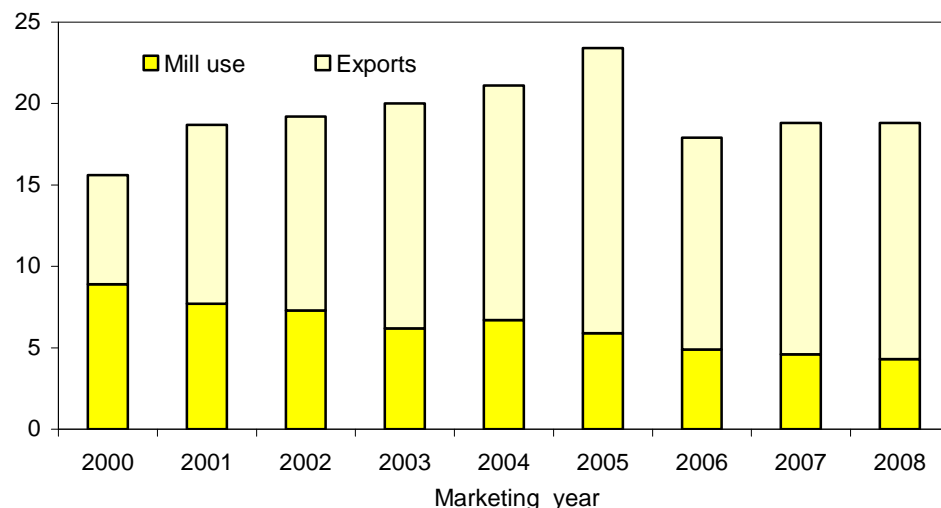
U.S. textile exports increased in February to 334 billion pounds, 5 percent above January and 3 percent above a year earlier. Larger exports of cotton, manmade fibers, and linen more than offset small declines in wool and silk shipments compared with January 2008. Larger shipments of all major end-use categories occurred in February. Cotton exports, at 164 million pounds, were up 5 percent from January and accounted for 49 percent of the monthly total. Historically, the majority of U.S. cotton textile exports are shipped to other North American countries; this region accounted for 91 percent of the monthly total. Honduras continued as the leading destination of U.S. cotton textiles, receiving 39 percent of the region's total. Mexico continued as a major destination, accounting for 20 percent of the total.

Overall, the total trade deficit during February declined 6 percent from the previous month to 1.1 billion pounds. Similarly, the cotton textile trade deficit declined 3 percent and was slightly below February 2007. Trade deficits for wool, linen, and manmade fibers were also lower in February, compared with January.

Figure 2

U.S. cotton demand

Million pounds



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

International Outlook

World Cotton Production Lower, Consumption Higher in 2008/09

World cotton area could fall slightly from the year before in 2007/08 as a large decline in U.S. harvested area is not offset elsewhere in the world. Australia is likely to increase its cotton area thanks to reservoir replenishment, and a return to more normal weather in West Africa would also suggest larger cotton plantings. But China's prospects now suggest a slight decline in cotton area, and India's substantially larger area is likely to increase marginally if at all.

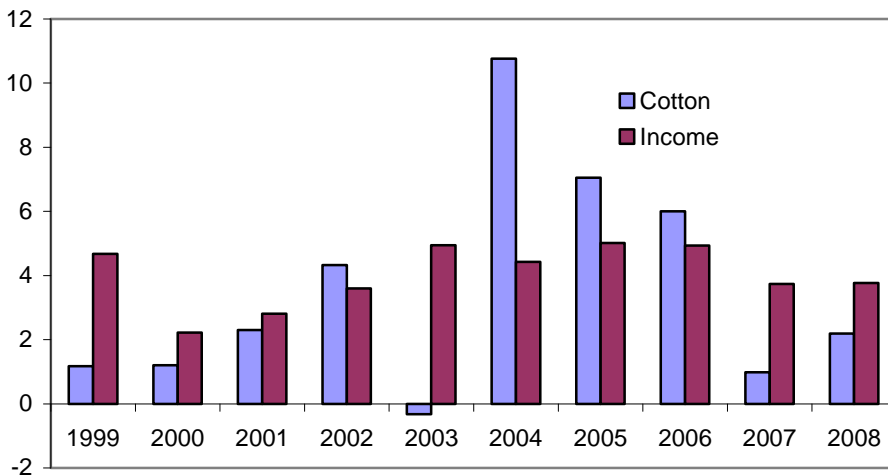
World cotton production is expected to fall, down 2 percent to 118 million bales as smaller crops in the United States and China are partially offset elsewhere. In addition to more normal weather in Australia and West Africa, factors helping to stabilize cotton production in the face of weak relative cotton prices include the prospect for further yield gains in India with the spread of genetically modified cotton and the strong consistency of production in Uzbekistan and Central Asia. Central Asian production has varied about 2 percent annually over the last 4 years.

Consumption is likely to grow about 2 percent globally from the year before in 2008/09. While this is twice the rate expected in 2007/08, it remains significantly below the 5 percent average of the previous 5 years. World economic growth dipped in 2008 from an unusually strong 4 year period. During 2003-07, the global economy expanded 4.8 percent annually on average, a full percentage point above the previous 10-year average. For 2008, the International Monetary Fund has estimated growth will slow to 3.7 percent, and in 2009 only 3.8 percent growth is expected.

Figure 3

World income and cotton consumption

Percent



Sources: *World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates (WASDE-458)* and International Monetary Fund.

Relative fiber prices are also constraining growth in world cotton consumption. While cotton prices have risen less than the prices of the crops that have supplanted it in farmers' planting decisions this year, polyester prices have risen by an even smaller amount. Relative to polyester, cotton has reached its highest since 2003/04, increasing the risk that cotton will again see its share of world fiber consumption begin to slip.

World ending stocks are forecast lower than the year before in 2008/09, down 6 million bales, at 55.6 million bales. Most of that decline is expected to occur in U.S. stocks, but China's stocks are forecast 2 million bales lower. Excluding China's stocks, ending stocks as a share of world consumption are expected to fall from 35 percent in 2007/08 to 31 percent. This would be the lowest share since 2003/04.

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

| Item | 2006/07 | 2007/08 | | |
|------------------------------|---------|---------|--------|--------|
| | | Mar. | Apr. | May |
| <i>Million acres</i> | | | | |
| Upland: | | | | |
| Planted | 14.948 | 10.538 | 10.538 | 10.535 |
| Harvested | 12.408 | 10.204 | 10.204 | 10.201 |
| <i>Pounds</i> | | | | |
| Yield/harvested acre | 806 | 857 | 873 | 864 |
| <i>Million 480-lb. bales</i> | | | | |
| Beginning stocks | 5.991 | 9.368 | 9.368 | 9.338 |
| Production | 20.823 | 18.208 | 18.550 | 18.355 |
| Total supply 1/ | 26.824 | 27.581 | 27.923 | 27.698 |
| Mill use | 4.896 | 4.565 | 4.665 | 4.565 |
| Exports | 12.338 | 13.680 | 13.660 | 13.360 |
| Total use | 17.234 | 18.245 | 18.325 | 17.925 |
| Ending stocks 2/ | 9.338 | 9.321 | 9.616 | 9.782 |
| <i>Percent</i> | | | | |
| Stocks-to-use ratio | 54.2 | 51.1 | 52.5 | 54.6 |
| <i>1,000 acres</i> | | | | |
| Extra-long staple: | | | | |
| Planted | 326.0 | 292.3 | 292.3 | 292.2 |
| Harvested | 323.5 | 288.2 | 288.2 | 288.1 |
| <i>Pounds</i> | | | | |
| Yield/harvested acre | 1,136 | 1,374 | 1,416 | 1,419 |
| <i>1,000 480-lb. bales</i> | | | | |
| Beginning stocks | 78 | 109 | 109 | 141 |
| Production | 765 | 825 | 850 | 852 |
| Total supply 1/ | 852 | 944 | 969 | 1,003 |
| Mill use | 39 | 35 | 35 | 35 |
| Exports | 672 | 820 | 840 | 840 |
| Total use | 711 | 855 | 875 | 875 |
| Ending stocks 2/ | 141 | 79 | 84 | 118 |
| <i>Percent</i> | | | | |
| Stocks-to-use ratio | 19.8 | 9.3 | 9.6 | 13.5 |

1/ Includes imports. 2/ Includes unaccounted.

Last update: 05/12/08.

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 | | |
|------------------------------|---------|---------|--------|--------|
| | | Mar. | Apr. | May |
| <i>Million 480-lb. bales</i> | | | | |
| Supply: | | | | |
| Beginning stocks-- | | | | |
| World | 62.38 | 61.03 | 61.20 | 63.01 |
| Foreign | 56.31 | 51.56 | 51.72 | 53.53 |
| Production-- | | | | |
| World | 122.08 | 118.89 | 119.73 | 120.47 |
| Foreign | 100.49 | 99.86 | 100.33 | 101.26 |
| Imports-- | | | | |
| World | 37.28 | 39.24 | 39.09 | 38.41 |
| Foreign | 37.26 | 39.22 | 39.07 | 38.39 |
| Use: | | | | |
| Mill use-- | | | | |
| World | 123.22 | 124.45 | 124.94 | 124.43 |
| Foreign | 118.28 | 119.85 | 120.24 | 119.83 |
| Exports-- | | | | |
| World | 37.26 | 39.02 | 38.94 | 38.40 |
| Foreign | 24.25 | 24.52 | 24.44 | 24.20 |
| Ending stocks-- | | | | |
| World | 63.01 | 59.16 | 59.64 | 61.55 |
| Foreign | 53.53 | 49.76 | 49.94 | 51.65 |
| <i>Percent</i> | | | | |
| Stocks-to-use ratio: | | | | |
| World | 51.1 | 47.5 | 47.7 | 49.5 |
| Foreign | 45.3 | 41.5 | 41.5 | 43.1 |

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Source: USDA, World Agricultural Outlook Board.

Table 3--U.S. fiber supply

| Item | 2008 | | | 2007 |
|----------------------------|----------|---------|---------|---------|
| | Jan. | Feb. | Mar. | Mar. |
| <i>1,000 480-lb. bales</i> | | | | |
| Cotton: | | | | |
| Ginnings | 1,993 | 759 | 298 | 0 |
| Imports since August 1 | 6.0 | 6.2 | NA | 9.3 |
| Stocks, beginning | 18,276 | 18,927 | 18,236 | 20,174 |
| At mills | 177 | 192 | 192 | 269 |
| Public storage | 16,629 | 16,988 | 16,410 | 17,776 |
| CCC stocks | 10,364 | 10,852 | 10,580 | 14,380 |
| <i>Million pounds</i> | | | | |
| Manmade: | | | | |
| Production | 614.0 | 599.8 | 596.8 | 643.8 |
| Noncellulosic | 614.0 | 588.8 | 596.8 | 643.8 |
| Cellulosic | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| Total since January 1 | 621.7 | 1,221.5 | 1,818.3 | 1,847.0 |
| <i>Million pounds</i> | | | | |
| <i>1,000 pounds</i> | | | | |
| Raw fiber imports: | | | | |
| Noncellulosic | 162.0 | 169.6 | 163.7 | 150.5 |
| Cellulosic | 141.7 | 149.8 | 145.7 | 137.2 |
| Total since January 1 | 12.5 | 19.8 | 18.0 | 13.3 |
| Total since January 1 | 1,985.5 | 169.6 | 333.3 | 305.7 |
| <i>1,000 pounds</i> | | | | |
| Wool and mohair: | | | | |
| Raw wool imports, clean | 956.3 | 1,753.3 | 888.8 | 1,097.3 |
| 48s-and-finer | 210.5 | 649.7 | 146.2 | 499.7 |
| Not-finer-than-46s | 745.8 | 1,103.6 | 742.6 | 597.6 |
| Total since January 1 | 14,269.7 | 1,753.3 | 2,642.1 | 2,347.4 |
| Wool top imports | 350.3 | 198.8 | 141.8 | 237.9 |
| Total since January 1 | 4,015.0 | 198.8 | 340.6 | 752.6 |
| Mohair imports, clean | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 46.3 |
| Total since January 1 | 3.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 46.3 |

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 | 2008 | | | 2007 |
|-----------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| | Jan. | Feb. | Mar. | Mar. |
| <i>1,000 480-lb. bales</i> | | | | |
| Cotton: | | | | |
| All consumed by mills 1/ | 402 | 372 | 349 | 422 |
| Total since August 1 1/ | 2,347 | 2,719 | 3,068 | 3,275 |
| SA annual rate 2/ | 4,699 | 4,528 | 4,234 | 4,786 |
| SA daily rate 2/ | 17.9 | 17.3 | 16.2 | 18.3 |
| Daily rate | 17.5 | 17.7 | 16.6 | 19.2 |
| Upland consumed by mills 1/ | 399 | 369 | 347 | 418 |
| Total since August 1 1/ | 2,329 | 2,698 | 3,045 | 3,249 |
| Daily rate | 17.3 | 17.6 | 16.5 | 19.0 |
| <i>1,000 spindles/hours</i> | | | | |
| Spindles in place | 1,396 | 1,390 | 1,386 | 1,582 |
| Active spindles | 1,340 | 1,334 | 1,333 | 1,460 |
| Spindle hours (1,000) | 878 | 691 | 811 | 984 |
| <i>Percent</i> | | | | |
| Cotton's share of fibers | 86.1 | 86.1 | 86.1 | 85.2 |
| <i>1,000 pounds</i> | | | | |
| Manmade: | | | | |
| Total consumed by mills 1/ | 31,231 | 28,877 | 27,109 | 35,078 |
| Total since August 1 1/ | 188,228 | 217,105 | 244,214 | 281,595 |
| Daily rate | 1,358 | 1,375 | 1,291 | 1,594 |
| Noncellulosic staple | 1,331 | 1,351 | 1,264 | 1,551 |
| Cellulosic staple | 27 | 24 | 27 | 43 |

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 |
|---------------------------|----------------------------|-------|---------|---------|
| | Dec. | Jan. | Feb. | Feb. |
| | <i>1,000 480-lb. bales</i> | | | |
| Cotton: | | | | |
| Upland exports | 886 | 826 | 970 | 916 |
| Total since August 1 | 5,161 | 5,987 | 6,957 | 4,372 |
| Sales for next season | 18 | 94 | 134 | 120 |
| Total since August 1 | 213 | 307 | 440 | 384 |
| Extra-long staple exports | 78.4 | 117.8 | 108.3 | 62.3 |
| Total since August 1 | 249.6 | 367.4 | 475.7 | 268.1 |
| Sales for next season | 0.5 | 0.3 | 0.9 | 4.6 |
| Total since August 1 | 9.6 | 9.9 | 10.8 | 50.9 |
| | <i>Million pounds</i> | | | |
| Manmade: | | | | |
| Raw fiber exports | 57.1 | 61.1 | 62.8 | 68.7 |
| Noncellulosic | 51.4 | 60.4 | 62.1 | 67.2 |
| Cellulosic | 5.7 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 1.6 |
| Total since January 1 | 776.9 | 61.1 | 123.9 | 131.4 |
| | <i>1,000 pounds</i> | | | |
| Wool and mohair: | | | | |
| Raw wool exports, clean | 525.5 | 898.2 | 1,122.8 | 1,292.0 |
| Total since January 1 | 17,058.6 | 898.2 | 2,021.0 | 2,668.1 |
| Wool top exports | 10.5 | 44.3 | 1.4 | 322.6 |
| Total since January 1 | 2,228.8 | 44.3 | 45.8 | 294.3 |
| Mohair exports, clean | 131.2 | 0.0 | 69.0 | 65.2 |
| Total since January 1 | 913.1 | 0.0 | 69.0 | 160.2 |

Last update: 05/12/08.

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

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

| Item | 2008 | | | 2007 |
|--|--------|-------|-------|--------|
| | Feb. | Mar. | Apr. | Apr. |
| <i>Cents per pound</i> | | | | |
| Domestic cotton prices: | | | | |
| Adjusted world price | 59.10 | 64.36 | 60.48 | 42.50 |
| Upland spot 41-34 | 65.92 | 69.27 | 63.91 | 46.97 |
| Pima spot 03-46 | 89.00 | 89.00 | 89.00 | 86.00 |
| Avg. price received by upland producers | 61.90 | 60.50 | 60.00 | 46.30 |
| Mill delivered: | | | | |
| Cotton-- | | | | |
| Actual | 74.25 | NA | NA | 55.71 |
| Raw-fiber equivalent | 82.54 | NA | NA | 61.90 |
| Rayon staple-- | | | | |
| Actual | 113.00 | NA | NA | 113.00 |
| Raw-fiber equivalent | 117.71 | NA | NA | 117.71 |
| Polyester staple-- | | | | |
| Actual | 74.00 | NA | NA | 74.00 |
| Raw-fiber equivalent | 77.08 | NA | NA | 77.08 |
| <i>Percent</i> | | | | |
| Price ratios | | | | |
| Cotton/rayon | 70.1 | NA | NA | 52.6 |
| Cotton/polyester | 121.8 | NA | NA | 80.3 |
| <i>Cents per pound</i> | | | | |
| Northern Europe cotton quotes: | | | | |
| A Index | 76.01 | 81.65 | 77.95 | 58.96 |
| Memphis Territory | 77.13 | 84.94 | 78.69 | 59.25 |
| California/Arizona | 80.94 | 87.69 | 81.38 | 62.06 |
| B Index | NQ | NQ | NQ | 57.78 |
| Orleans/Texas | 72.00 | 78.94 | 72.94 | 54.06 |
| <i>Dollars per pound</i> | | | | |
| Wool prices (clean): | | | | |
| U.S. 56s | 2.07 | 1.74 | 1.87 | 1.35 |
| Australian 56s 1/ | 2.69 | 2.71 | 2.71 | 2.42 |
| U.S. 60s | 2.47 | 2.44 | 2.49 | 2.22 |
| Australian 60s 1/ | 3.62 | 3.62 | 3.58 | 3.18 |
| U.S. 64s | 3.18 | 3.19 | 3.25 | 2.79 |
| Australian 64s 1/ | 4.11 | 4.07 | 4.04 | 3.67 |

NQ = No quote. NA = Not available.

1/ In bond, Charleston, SC.

Last update: 05/12/08.

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 |
|--------------------------|------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| | Dec. | Jan. | Feb. | Feb. |
| | <i>1,000 pounds 1/</i> | | | |
| Yarn, thread, and fabric | 237,470 | 250,987 | 236,869 | 242,683 |
| Cotton | 67,339 | 65,765 | 64,808 | 74,425 |
| Linen | 28,343 | 28,237 | 29,646 | 20,977 |
| Wool | 3,684 | 3,527 | 3,446 | 3,303 |
| Silk | 1,534 | 1,365 | 1,703 | 1,193 |
| Manmade | 136,570 | 152,093 | 137,266 | 142,785 |
| Apparel | 867,194 | 929,148 | 909,616 | 919,887 |
| Cotton | 560,544 | 587,026 | 588,378 | 596,050 |
| Linen | 12,564 | 17,743 | 16,681 | 18,002 |
| Wool | 14,473 | 15,141 | 13,716 | 12,987 |
| Silk | 11,563 | 15,406 | 15,361 | 16,472 |
| Manmade | 268,050 | 293,832 | 275,480 | 276,376 |
| Home furnishings | 219,718 | 235,390 | 221,323 | 196,006 |
| Cotton | 139,332 | 155,718 | 145,917 | 125,290 |
| Linen | 1,002 | 1,375 | 1,224 | 1,590 |
| Wool | 341 | 331 | 355 | 421 |
| Silk | 912 | 654 | 685 | 655 |
| Manmade | 78,131 | 77,312 | 73,142 | 68,050 |
| Floor coverings | 56,251 | 64,047 | 59,130 | 57,675 |
| Cotton | 8,382 | 9,949 | 9,278 | 8,829 |
| Linen | 10,848 | 12,199 | 12,789 | 12,954 |
| Wool | 13,355 | 14,491 | 11,340 | 12,205 |
| Silk | 1,624 | 1,739 | 2,023 | 1,557 |
| Manmade | 22,042 | 25,669 | 23,700 | 22,130 |
| Total imports 2/ | 1,391,749 | 1,491,318 | 1,437,417 | 1,426,685 |
| Cotton | 781,055 | 824,599 | 813,851 | 810,105 |
| Linen | 53,664 | 60,456 | 61,123 | 54,137 |
| Wool | 32,078 | 33,683 | 29,022 | 29,095 |
| Silk | 15,634 | 19,166 | 19,773 | 19,876 |
| Manmade | 509,318 | 553,414 | 513,648 | 513,472 |

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

Last update: 05/12/08.

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

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

| Item | 2007 | 2008 | | 2007 |
|--------------------------|------------------------|---------|---------|---------|
| | Dec. | Jan. | Feb. | Feb. |
| | <i>1,000 pounds 1/</i> | | | |
| Yarn, thread, and fabric | 219,107 | 258,347 | 268,459 | 250,407 |
| Cotton | 115,533 | 139,253 | 145,620 | 133,255 |
| Linen | 5,546 | 6,359 | 7,012 | 6,628 |
| Wool | 2,516 | 3,433 | 3,314 | 5,143 |
| Silk | 1,533 | 1,770 | 1,723 | 2,113 |
| Manmade | 93,979 | 107,532 | 110,790 | 103,268 |
| Apparel | 24,906 | 26,641 | 28,263 | 41,483 |
| Cotton | 10,948 | 12,642 | 13,372 | 20,492 |
| Linen | 335 | 423 | 422 | 478 |
| Wool | 2,046 | 1,918 | 1,928 | 2,414 |
| Silk | 1,474 | 1,266 | 1,226 | 1,716 |
| Manmade | 10,103 | 10,392 | 11,315 | 16,383 |
| Home furnishings | 4,347 | 4,571 | 4,920 | 5,423 |
| Cotton | 2,440 | 2,614 | 2,621 | 3,455 |
| Linen | 195 | 153 | 219 | 129 |
| Wool | 85 | 72 | 91 | 56 |
| Silk | 94 | 52 | 60 | 51 |
| Manmade | 1,533 | 1,681 | 1,929 | 1,732 |
| Floor coverings | 28,444 | 27,789 | 32,391 | 28,313 |
| Cotton | 2,189 | 1,962 | 2,243 | 2,015 |
| Linen | 1,120 | 1,053 | 1,113 | 1,031 |
| Wool | 2,635 | 2,660 | 2,678 | 2,608 |
| Silk | 44 | 29 | 45 | 39 |
| Manmade | 22,456 | 22,085 | 26,312 | 22,620 |
| Total exports 2/ | 277,036 | 317,623 | 334,331 | 325,994 |
| Cotton | 131,208 | 156,573 | 163,999 | 159,292 |
| Linen | 7,204 | 7,995 | 8,771 | 8,273 |
| Wool | 7,290 | 8,093 | 8,018 | 10,229 |
| Silk | 3,144 | 3,117 | 3,053 | 3,918 |
| Manmade | 128,190 | 141,845 | 150,490 | 144,282 |

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 |
|----------------------|------------------------|---------|---------|---------|
| | Dec. | Jan. | Feb. | Feb. |
| | <i>1,000 pounds 1/</i> | | | |
| North America | 179,170 | 153,436 | 192,961 | 187,044 |
| Canada | 4,427 | 4,829 | 4,860 | 7,890 |
| Costa Rica | 5,344 | 3,731 | 5,158 | 5,326 |
| Dominican Republic | 7,102 | 4,966 | 8,476 | 10,422 |
| El Salvador | 22,737 | 19,590 | 25,671 | 19,708 |
| Guatemala | 12,581 | 15,520 | 15,792 | 16,173 |
| Haiti | 11,799 | 5,641 | 8,976 | 12,250 |
| Honduras | 42,608 | 32,635 | 46,571 | 40,721 |
| Jamaica | 224 | 189 | 188 | 511 |
| Mexico | 55,285 | 50,958 | 60,015 | 60,806 |
| Nicaragua | 16,994 | 15,345 | 17,222 | 13,124 |
| South America | 12,283 | 15,803 | 11,395 | 14,882 |
| Brazil | 5,737 | 7,345 | 4,427 | 6,901 |
| Colombia | 2,825 | 2,852 | 2,352 | 3,331 |
| Peru | 3,394 | 5,294 | 4,305 | 4,233 |
| Europe | 17,956 | 18,257 | 15,795 | 19,956 |
| Italy | 3,523 | 3,346 | 2,928 | 2,766 |
| Portugal | 1,411 | 1,694 | 1,498 | 1,905 |
| Russia | 28 | 86 | 23 | 197 |
| Turkey | 7,279 | 7,084 | 5,953 | 8,658 |
| Asia | 548,976 | 611,404 | 573,223 | 547,310 |
| Bahrain | 2,064 | 2,172 | 1,747 | 1,324 |
| Bangladesh | 38,781 | 46,618 | 41,962 | 35,947 |
| Cambodia | 24,046 | 24,260 | 23,666 | 21,511 |
| China | 183,787 | 226,019 | 201,756 | 208,363 |
| Hong Kong | 17,947 | 15,309 | 13,340 | 11,264 |
| India | 54,904 | 67,766 | 69,652 | 60,804 |
| Indonesia | 26,688 | 29,153 | 27,447 | 25,675 |
| Israel | 1,956 | 2,663 | 1,894 | 1,635 |
| Macao | 11,197 | 10,482 | 8,960 | 8,166 |
| Malaysia | 6,183 | 5,352 | 5,598 | 5,087 |
| Pakistan | 77,368 | 72,302 | 68,107 | 64,235 |
| Philippines | 11,342 | 10,735 | 10,957 | 11,980 |
| Singapore | 781 | 701 | 633 | 753 |
| South Korea | 8,462 | 8,556 | 9,250 | 8,630 |
| Sri Lanka | 11,244 | 11,976 | 10,281 | 11,983 |
| Taiwan | 7,425 | 7,461 | 6,825 | 6,384 |
| Thailand | 14,970 | 16,251 | 15,902 | 15,183 |
| United Arab Emirates | 1,895 | 1,890 | 1,810 | 1,636 |
| Oceania | 128 | 295 | 125 | 68 |
| Australia | 49 | 143 | 58 | 47 |
| Africa | 22,541 | 25,400 | 20,348 | 25,348 |
| Egypt | 9,296 | 12,233 | 10,168 | 12,151 |
| Lesotho | 4,356 | 4,557 | 3,134 | 3,787 |
| South Africa | 205 | 186 | 155 | 273 |
| World 2/ | 781,055 | 824,599 | 813,851 | 794,618 |

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 |
|----------------------|------------------------|---------|---------|---------|
| | Dec. | Jan. | Feb. | Feb. |
| | <i>1,000 pounds 1/</i> | | | |
| North America | 117,211 | 142,724 | 149,895 | 144,694 |
| Bahamas | 118 | 209 | 107 | 248 |
| Canada | 8,641 | 11,378 | 12,090 | 14,249 |
| Costa Rica | 1,504 | 1,151 | 960 | 2,561 |
| Dominican Republic | 11,137 | 15,868 | 16,755 | 16,457 |
| El Salvador | 12,094 | 14,124 | 15,593 | 14,100 |
| Guatemala | 6,776 | 5,190 | 5,151 | 6,614 |
| Haiti | 197 | 612 | 525 | 1,008 |
| Honduras | 50,198 | 59,344 | 63,752 | 49,767 |
| Jamaica | 107 | 73 | 79 | 662 |
| Mexico | 24,868 | 33,401 | 32,933 | 37,735 |
| Nicaragua | 974 | 810 | 1,450 | 800 |
| Panama | 132 | 258 | 79 | 104 |
| South America | 3,082 | 4,011 | 4,455 | 4,574 |
| Argentina | 142 | 77 | 47 | 35 |
| Brazil | 907 | 639 | 532 | 804 |
| Chile | 269 | 225 | 205 | 257 |
| Colombia | 1,326 | 1,205 | 2,737 | 2,267 |
| Ecuador | 107 | 36 | 63 | 106 |
| Peru | 196 | 347 | 154 | 348 |
| Venezuela | 106 | 1,406 | 688 | 708 |
| Europe | 3,613 | 4,059 | 3,919 | 3,828 |
| Belgium | 651 | 471 | 568 | 697 |
| France | 227 | 435 | 225 | 106 |
| Germany | 564 | 616 | 637 | 445 |
| Italy | 160 | 195 | 167 | 194 |
| Netherlands | 313 | 379 | 393 | 365 |
| Turkey | 98 | 78 | 96 | 119 |
| United Kingdom | 968 | 1,106 | 1,024 | 1,068 |
| Asia | 6,114 | 4,878 | 4,796 | 5,437 |
| China | 869 | 908 | 689 | 1,111 |
| Hong Kong | 571 | 580 | 429 | 664 |
| Israel | 280 | 196 | 127 | 391 |
| Japan | 1,037 | 938 | 1,023 | 1,355 |
| Malaysia | 24 | 44 | 21 | 10 |
| Philippines | 142 | 55 | 140 | 58 |
| Saudi Arabia | 171 | 161 | 77 | 129 |
| Singapore | 293 | 205 | 251 | 284 |
| South Korea | 673 | 521 | 485 | 493 |
| Sri Lanka | 51 | 52 | 159 | 96 |
| Taiwan | 378 | 324 | 249 | 116 |
| United Arab Emirates | 255 | 221 | 242 | 171 |
| Oceania | 567 | 633 | 632 | 372 |
| Australia | 420 | 457 | 478 | 309 |
| Africa | 582 | 264 | 298 | 387 |
| Morocco | 5 | 12 | 8 | 21 |
| World 2/ | 131,208 | 156,573 | 163,999 | 159,292 |

Note: Data are preliminary and subject to revisions.

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--Final 2007 U.S. cotton acreage, yield, and production

| State/Region | Planted | Harvested | Yield | Production |
|--------------|---------|-------------|---------------------------|----------------|
| | | 1,000 acres | Pounds/ harvested acre | 1,000 bales |
| Upland: | | | | |
| Alabama | 400 | 385 | 519 | 416 |
| Florida | 85 | 81 | 687 | 116 |
| Georgia | 1,030 | 995 | 801 | 1,660 |
| N. Carolina | 500 | 490 | 767 | 783 |
| S. Carolina | 180 | 158 | 486 | 160 |
| Virginia | 60 | 59 | 829 | 102 |
| Southeast | 2,255 | 2,168 | 717 | 3,237 |
| Arkansas | 860 | 850 | 1,071 | 1,896 |
| Louisiana | 335 | 330 | 1,017 | 699 |
| Mississippi | 660 | 655 | 966 | 1,318 |
| Missouri | 380 | 379 | 968 | 764 |
| Tennessee | 515 | 510 | 565 | 600 |
| Delta | 2,750 | 2,724 | 930 | 5,277 |
| Kansas | 47 | 43 | 639 | 57 |
| Oklahoma | 175 | 165 | 817 | 281 |
| Texas | 4,900 | 4,700 | 843 | 8,250 |
| Southwest | 5,122 | 4,908 | 840 | 8,588 |
| Arizona | 170 | 168 | 1,469 | 514 |
| California | 195 | 194 | 1,608 | 650 |
| New Mexico | 43 | 39 | 1,095 | 89 |
| West | 408 | 401 | 1,500 | 1,253 |
| Total Upland | 10,535 | 10,201 | 864 | 18,355 |
| Pima: | | | | |
| Arizona | 3 | 3 | 883 | 5 |
| California | 260 | 257 | 1,481 | 793 |
| New Mexico | 5 | 5 | 856 | 8 |
| Texas | 25 | 24 | 920 | 46 |
| Total Pima | 292 | 288 | 1,419 | 852 |
| Total All | 10,827 | 10,489 | 879 | 19,207 |

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