



Cotton Ginnings

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Running Bales Ginned by Crop – States and United States: December 1, 2007-2010

[Excluding linters]

Crop and State	Running bales ginned			
	2007 (number)	2008 (number)	2009 (number)	2010 (number)
All cotton				
Alabama	333,600	364,950	192,950	417,500
Arizona	249,350	185,700	220,400	247,500
Arkansas	1,782,400	1,212,150	715,550	1,099,950
California	828,350	481,050	412,450	449,350
Florida	85,800	91,750	48,900	102,150
Georgia	1,043,200	1,079,050	906,100	1,607,500
Kansas	20,400	8,350	3,400	30,800
Louisiana	695,800	279,000	315,950	438,550
Mississippi	1,263,200	639,600	365,300	810,550
Missouri	773,400	677,250	413,550	705,800
New Mexico	26,250	22,100	27,800	26,300
North Carolina	739,350	606,650	571,900	888,100
Oklahoma	179,000	129,300	122,500	216,300
South Carolina	126,450	177,700	154,050	259,500
Tennessee	584,650	518,100	380,800	667,100
Texas	3,771,300	2,368,200	2,937,400	5,125,350
Virginia	90,150	86,700	83,850	104,050
United States	12,592,650	8,927,600	7,872,850	13,196,350
American Pima				
Arizona	1,200	(¹)	1,850	(¹)
California	407,250	246,950	229,650	225,800
New Mexico	6,200	(¹)	4,100	(¹)
Texas	17,900	11,600	14,150	(¹)
United States	432,550	259,800	249,750	244,050

¹ Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual gins.

Statistical Methodology

Survey Procedure: The cotton ginnings survey is an enumeration of all active gins and every effort is made to obtain a report from all ginners. Data are collected on the first and fifteenth of each month (September – January and February 1) for all estimating States while data collection begins with an August 1 survey in Texas. Ginners are asked to report the number of Upland and American Pima bales ginned prior to the data collection date. Data are collected by telephone, fax, and internet. If a completed report is not received from an active gin, the bales ginned are estimated using administrative data or imputed using current survey data for neighboring gins and the previously reported data for the imputed gin.

Estimating Procedures: Information obtained from the cotton ginnings survey is used to establish estimates of Upland and American Pima bales ginned to date. These estimates are reviewed for errors, reasonableness, and consistency with historical estimates.

Revision Policy: Cotton ginnings estimates are subject to revision in the annual report released in May of the following year and are based on a thorough review of all available data.

Reliability: Cotton ginnings estimates are based on a census of all known ginners and therefore, have no sampling variability. However, estimates are subject to errors such as omissions, duplication, and mistakes in reporting, recording, and processing of the data. While these errors cannot be measured directly, they are minimized through strict quality controls in the data collection process and a careful review of all reported data for consistency and reasonableness.

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