COTTON REPORT

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Cotton Production & Trade Trends
Price for Cotton Vs. Competing Crops at Planting Time N. Hemisphere (2010-2018)*

ratio

- 2009
- 2010
- 2011
- 2012
- 2013
- 2014
- 2015
- 2016
- 2017
- 2018

Maize
Soybean
Rice
Sugar
Sorghum

*World Bank Commodities Price Data (The Pink Sheet)
India is since 2015/16, the world’s biggest producer of cotton.

India 23%
China 22%
US 16%
Brazil 9%
Pakistan 7%
Fr. Africa 5%
Turkey 3%
Uzbek. 2%
Australia 2%
ROW 10%

2018/19: 26.3 Million tons

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Changes in World Cotton Production

- Uzbekistan: 0.80 million tonnes
- Turkey: 0.85 million tonnes
- Australia: 0.58 million tonnes
- Fr. Africa: 1.33 million tonnes
- Brazil: 2.31 million tonnes
- Pakistan: 1.75 million tonnes
- USA: 4.29 million tonnes
- China: 5.80 million tonnes
- India: 6.05 million tonnes

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World Cotton Consumption

2018/19: 27.6 Million tonnes

China 33%
India 19%
Vietnam 6%
Turkey 6%
Bangladesh 7%
Pakistan 8%
ROW 12%
USA 3%
Brazil 3%
Indonesia 3%
World Cotton Production and Mill Use

Production

Mill Use

million tonnes

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China Cotton Production and Consumption

Million Tonnes

Production
Imports
Consumption

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1999/00 2002/03 2005/06 2008/09 2011/12 2014/15 2017/18

Million Tonnes

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The widening gap between production and consumption in China could give a boost to cotton imports.
The U.S remains the world’s largest exporter of cotton.
Cotton Imports by Country

million tonnes

- China
- Bangladesh
- Vietnam
- Indonesia
- Turkey

- 15/16
- 16/17
- 17/18
- 18/19

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Assistance to Cotton Production

- Direct support to production
- Border protection
- Crop insurance subsidies
- Minimum support price mechanisms
- Input subsidies
- Transportation subsidies
World Cotton Production under Assistance

Average with Assistance: 55%

Million tons

Without Assistance

With Assistance

97/98 00/01 03/04 06/07 09/10 12/13 15/16

83% 48% 76% 47%
Thank you

Any Questions?

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