



# Cotton Ginnings

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## Running Bales Ginned by Crop – States and United States: January 1, 2017-2020

[Excluding linters]

Crop and State	Running bales ginned			
	2016 Crop	2017 Crop	2018 Crop	2019 Crop
	January 1, 2017 (number)	January 1, 2018 (number)	January 1, 2019 <sup>1</sup> (number)	January 1, 2020 (number)
<b>Upland</b>				
Alabama .....	653,500	650,100	(NA)	901,600
Arizona .....	275,300	268,850	(NA)	(D)
Arkansas .....	858,950	1,076,550	(NA)	1,356,950
California .....	214,900	188,150	(NA)	143,700
Florida .....	140,900	108,400	(NA)	145,300
Georgia .....	2,068,700	1,990,050	(NA)	2,478,500
Kansas .....	45,100	(D)	(NA)	97,650
Louisiana .....	266,100	407,750	(NA)	558,850
Mississippi .....	982,450	1,225,050	(NA)	1,473,650
Missouri .....	565,800	679,400	(NA)	763,350
New Mexico .....	26,300	(D)	(NA)	(D)
North Carolina .....	351,850	722,200	(NA)	1,002,550
Oklahoma .....	314,050	329,800	(NA)	369,500
South Carolina .....	206,450	369,800	(NA)	395,100
Tennessee .....	565,500	718,500	(NA)	923,650
Texas .....	5,799,550	(D)	(NA)	5,977,700
Virginia .....	91,450	165,050	(NA)	200,100
United States .....	13,426,850	15,621,550	(NA)	17,033,000
<b>American Pima</b>				
Arizona .....	14,050	20,500	(NA)	(D)
California .....	385,100	448,400	(NA)	418,800
New Mexico .....	11,550	(D)	(NA)	(D)
Texas .....	20,500	(D)	(NA)	14,600
United States .....	431,200	498,000	(NA)	451,150
<b>All</b>				
Alabama .....	653,500	650,100	(NA)	901,600
Arizona .....	289,350	289,350	(NA)	218,350
Arkansas .....	858,950	1,076,550	(NA)	1,356,950
California .....	600,000	636,550	(NA)	562,500
Florida .....	140,900	108,400	(NA)	145,300
Georgia .....	2,068,700	1,990,050	(NA)	2,478,500
Kansas .....	45,100	(D)	(NA)	97,650
Louisiana .....	266,100	407,750	(NA)	558,850
Mississippi .....	982,450	1,225,050	(NA)	1,473,650
Missouri .....	565,800	679,400	(NA)	763,350
New Mexico .....	37,850	(D)	(NA)	44,250
North Carolina .....	351,850	722,200	(NA)	1,002,550
Oklahoma .....	314,050	329,800	(NA)	369,500
South Carolina .....	206,450	369,800	(NA)	395,100
Tennessee .....	565,500	718,500	(NA)	923,650
Texas .....	5,820,050	6,647,750	(NA)	5,992,300
Virginia .....	91,450	165,050	(NA)	200,100
United States .....	13,858,050	16,119,550	(NA)	17,484,150

(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.  
(NA) Not available.

<sup>1</sup> Data not available due to the lapse in Federal funding.

## 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, February 1, and March 1) for all estimating States while data collection begins with an August 1 survey in Texas. A final survey is conducted after gins finish ginning for the season. 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 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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