

# cotton production



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## COTTON PRODUCTION ABOUT SAME AS LAST MONTH

Production of all cotton is estimated at 11.0 million bales (480 pounds net weight) as of September 1, 8 percent above the 1970 total, but only slightly more than a month ago. Expected production consists of 10.8 million bales of upland cotton and 103 thousand bales of American-Pima cotton, according to the Crop Reporting Board.

Differences between the September 1 forecast and the final production of all cotton during the past 10 years have averaged 565,000 bales, ranging from 33,000 bales in 1961 to 1,442,000 bales in 1966.

Cotton producers expect to harvest 11.6 million acres this year compared with 11.2 million acres in 1970. Average lint yield per acre is 453 pounds compared with 437 pounds last year.

Production in the Southeastern States--North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia and Alabama--is forecast at 1.3 million bales, compared with 1.2 million bales in 1970. Continued rain and cool temperatures slowed the crop allowing insect buildup and some boll rot. The crop is later than last year.

A production of 4.1 million bales is expected from the Delta States of Mississippi, Louisiana, Tennessee, Arkansas, and Missouri. This would be 315,000 bales above 1970. The crop is late because of a wet, cool growing season.

Production in Texas and Oklahoma is expected to total 3.7 million bales compared with 3.4 million bales in 1970. Rain in August brought an end to the drought in Texas but slowed harvest. The Oklahoma crop improved during August with the onset of much needed rain, but more is needed to maintain good growth. New Mexico, Arizona and California are expected to produce 1.9 million bales compared with 1.8 million bales in 1970.

The 1971 forecast is in terms of 480-pound net weight bales. Ginnings for the 1971 season are indicated at 10.9 million running bales and cottonseed production at 4.5 million tons, based on running bale weights and seed lint ratios for 1970.

The Bureau of the Census reports 365,055 bales ginned to September 1 compared with 279,871 bales ginned to the same date in 1970 and 528,126 for 1969.

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COTTON REPORT AS OF SEPTEMBER 1, 1971

State	Acreage			Lint yield per			Production 1/		
	Harvested		For	harvested acre			480-lb. net weight bales		
	1969	1970	harvest:	1969	1970	1971	1969	1970	1971
	1,000 acres		1971	Pounds			1,000 bales		
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North Carolina	166	160	167	287	464	446	99	155	155
South Carolina	287	290	335	342	349	387	205	211	270
Georgia	385	380	385	351	368	374	282	292	300
Tennessee	400	390	425	505	483	486	421	392	430
Alabama	545	538	550	405	453	463	460	507	530
Missouri	292	250	310	533	431	465	325	224	300
Mississippi	1,185	1,190	1,350	534	645	594	1,319	1,600	1,670
Arkansas	1,055	1,070	1,135	518	470	465	1,137	1,048	1,100
Louisiana	420	450	515	551	555	559	482	521	600
Oklahoma	465	450	396	288	206	291	279	193	240
Texas, All	4,675.0	4,896.0	4,890.5	294	315	342	2,859	3,213.9	3,485.5
Upland	4,648.0	4,870.0	4,850.0	292	315	341	2,831.3	3,194.9	3,450.0
Amer.-Pima	27.0	26.0	40.5	492	350	421	27.6	19.0	35.5
New Mexico, All	146.0	141.3	145.0	517	486	571	157	142.9	172.5
Upland	131.5	126.0	125.0	529	504	595	145	132.3	155.0
Amer.-Pima	14.5	15.3	20.0	404	334	420	12.2	10.6	17.5
Arizona, All	310.0	273.8	280.7	979	859	939	632	490.2	549.0
Upland	276.6	241.0	234.0	1,033	920	1,026	595.1	462.1	500.0
Amer.-Pima	33.4	32.8	46.7	533	411	504	37.1	28.1	49.0
California, All	701.0	662.4	702.2	898	841	773	1,312	1,160.3	1,131.0
Upland	700.6	662.0	701.5	899	841	773	1,311.6	1,160.0	1,130.0
Amer.-Pima	.4	.4	.7	498	335	686	.5	.3	1.0
Virginia	5.0	4.3	4.0	201	384	276	2.1	3.4	2.3
Florida	12.5	12.0	12.0	360	298	360	9.4	7.4	9.0
Illinois	.4	.4	.5	460	245	480	.4	.2	.5
Kentucky	5.4	3.4	4.4	516	344	524	5.8	2.4	4.8
Nevada	2.3	2.2	2.3	654	545	584	3.1	2.5	2.8
United States									
Upland	10,982.3	11,089.3	11,501.7	433	437	453	9,912.8	10,108.2	10,849.4
Amer.-Pima	75.3	74.5	107.9	493	373	458	77.4	58.0	103.0
All Cotton 2/	11,058	11,163.8	11,609.6	434	437	453	9,990	10,166.2	10,952.4

1/ Production ginned and to be ginned.  
 2/ U. S. all cotton rounded to thousands in 1969.

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