



Cotton Ginnings

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Running Bales Ginned by Crop – States and United States: December 1, 2020-2023

[Excluding linters]

Crop and State	Running bales ginned			
	2020 Crop	2021 Crop	2022 Crop	2023 Crop
	December 1, 2020	December 1, 2021	December 1, 2022	December 1, 2023
	(number)	(number)	(number)	(number)
Upland				
Alabama	452,800	353,400	532,700	469,900
Arizona	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Arkansas	1,045,400	927,450	1,123,050	1,254,700
California	68,500	54,750	33,850	27,850
Florida	48,400	41,900	72,350	68,400
Georgia	1,008,750	983,400	1,456,800	1,122,500
Kansas	52,950	43,500	70,600	(D)
Louisiana	310,700	204,350	348,200	204,500
Mississippi	1,003,150	732,400	1,024,900	790,950
Missouri	425,000	481,200	460,900	586,200
New Mexico	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
North Carolina	279,600	545,400	689,450	544,800
Oklahoma	199,750	216,850	75,150	98,300
South Carolina	112,600	165,500	237,300	176,050
Tennessee	492,350	427,250	522,600	525,650
Texas	3,660,050	4,222,150	2,172,500	2,198,650
Virginia	46,850	115,100	134,900	102,700
United States	9,361,400	9,630,500	9,053,000	8,324,450
American Pima				
Arizona	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
California	188,000	154,350	186,550	125,000
New Mexico	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Texas	15,200	6,750	9,600	13,000
United States	213,900	173,650	218,400	156,300
All				
Alabama	452,800	353,400	532,700	469,900
Arizona	142,550	108,550	94,950	82,900
Arkansas	1,045,400	927,450	1,123,050	1,254,700
California	256,500	209,100	220,400	152,850
Florida	48,400	41,900	72,350	68,400
Georgia	1,008,750	983,400	1,456,800	1,122,500
Kansas	52,950	43,500	70,600	(D)
Louisiana	310,700	204,350	348,200	204,500
Mississippi	1,003,150	732,400	1,024,900	790,950
Missouri	425,000	481,200	460,900	586,200
New Mexico	22,700	19,900	25,050	(D)
North Carolina	279,600	545,400	689,450	544,800
Oklahoma	199,750	216,850	75,150	98,300
South Carolina	112,600	165,500	237,300	176,050
Tennessee	492,350	427,250	522,600	525,650
Texas	3,675,250	4,228,900	2,182,100	2,211,650
Virginia	46,850	115,100	134,900	102,700
United States	9,575,300	9,804,150	9,271,400	8,480,750

(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

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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