



Cotton Ginnings

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Running Bales Ginned by Crop – States and United States: December 1, 2021-2024

[Excluding linters]

Crop and State	Running bales ginned			
	2021 Crop	2022 Crop	2023 Crop	2024 Crop
	December 1, 2021	December 1, 2022	December 1, 2023	December 1, 2024
	(number)	(number)	(number)	(number)
Upland				
Alabama	353,400	532,700	469,900	479,100
Arizona	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Arkansas	927,450	1,123,050	1,231,600	1,431,100
California	54,750	33,850	27,850	27,850
Florida	41,900	72,350	68,400	76,700
Georgia	983,400	1,456,800	1,122,500	1,005,200
Kansas	43,500	70,600	(D)	82,300
Louisiana	204,350	348,200	204,500	310,050
Mississippi	732,400	1,024,900	790,950	1,067,450
Missouri	481,200	460,900	576,600	676,100
New Mexico	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
North Carolina	545,400	689,450	544,800	523,100
Oklahoma	216,850	75,150	98,300	103,400
South Carolina	165,500	237,300	176,050	195,500
Tennessee	427,250	522,600	525,650	496,600
Texas	4,222,150	2,172,500	2,135,100	2,797,000
Virginia	115,100	134,900	102,700	123,700
United States	9,630,500	9,053,000	8,228,200	9,479,150
American Pima				
Arizona	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
California	154,350	186,550	125,000	160,900
New Mexico	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Texas	6,750	9,600	12,550	22,000
United States	173,650	218,400	155,850	198,400
All				
Alabama	353,400	532,700	469,900	479,100
Arizona	108,550	94,950	82,900	76,850
Arkansas	927,450	1,123,050	1,231,600	1,431,100
California	209,100	220,400	152,850	188,750
Florida	41,900	72,350	68,400	76,700
Georgia	983,400	1,456,800	1,122,500	1,005,200
Kansas	43,500	70,600	(D)	82,300
Louisiana	204,350	348,200	204,500	310,050
Mississippi	732,400	1,024,900	790,950	1,067,450
Missouri	481,200	460,900	576,600	676,100
New Mexico	19,900	25,050	(D)	22,650
North Carolina	545,400	689,450	544,800	523,100
Oklahoma	216,850	75,150	98,300	103,400
South Carolina	165,500	237,300	176,050	195,500
Tennessee	427,250	522,600	525,650	496,600
Texas	4,228,900	2,182,100	2,147,650	2,819,000
Virginia	115,100	134,900	102,700	123,700
United States	9,804,150	9,271,400	8,384,050	9,677,550

(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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