

**Table 8: U.S. Export Sales Summary <sup>1/</sup>**

U.S. export sales in April 1998 were up from March 1998, and down from sales in April 1997. Upland cotton sales for delivery in MY 1997/98 during March 27 - April 30, 1998 registered net sales of 359,200 running bales, a weekly average of 71,840 bales. Upland sales in April 1997 (5 weeks) registered a net of 473,100 running bales, a weekly average of 94,620 bales. The weekly upland export average through April 30 for MY 1997/98 was 134,000 running bales against MY 1996/97's weekly export average of 118,000 running bales and the five year average of 133,000 bales. Accumulated exports through April 30 for MY 1997/98 were 5.24 million running bales compared with 4.61 million last year. Total upland outstanding sales for MY 1997/98 were 1.97 million running bales compared with 1.87 million the same time a year ago. Upland commitments (outstanding sales plus accumulated exports) to date were up 11 percent from last year at 7.21 million bales. Pima sales for delivery in MY 1997/98 reflected net April sales of 7,400 running bales. Pima exports through April 30 for MY 1997/98 totaled 358,500 running bales, compared with 375,800 running bales the same time a year ago, while total Pima commitments amounted to 461,600 running bales.

U.S. Cotton Export Sales For 5 -Week Period March 27 - April 30 MY 1997/98 (1,000 Running Bales)					
Region/Country	Pima	All Upland	-----Upland-----		
			>1-1/16"	1" to 1-1/16"	< 1"
European Union <sup>2/</sup>	3.9	9.0	5.7	3.3	0.0
Other Western Europe	0.5	45.9	79.9	-34.0	0.0
Eastern Europe	0.0	2.8	2.8	0.0	0.0
Former Soviet Union	0.0	-23.1	-23.1	0.0	0.0
Japan	1.4	19.3	18.6	0.0	0.8
Taiwan	-1.7	36.1	30.4	5.4	0.3
China	1.8	7.0	7.0	0.0	0.0
Korea Republic	1.7	42.2	36.5	5.7	0.0
India	0.1	4.4	2.4	2.0	0.0
Other Asia & Oceania	2.6	76.4	72.6	3.8	0.0
Africa	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0
Western Hemisphere	0.0	150.4	155.5	-5.2	0.0
Total Unknown	<u>-2.8</u>	<u>-11.2</u>	<u>-8.6</u>	<u>-2.0</u>	<u>-0.5</u>
Total Net Sales	7.4	359.2	379.6	-21.0	0.6

Note: Totals may not add due to rounding.  
<sup>1/</sup> Total Net Sales includes 691,700 running bales of Upland and 40,700 of Pima carryover from MY 1996/97.  
<sup>2/</sup> European Union refers to the group of 15 countries formerly known as the European Community.  
Source: USDA/FAS May 1998