

TABLE 18
Cotton Area, Yield, and Production
World and Selected Countries and Regions

Country/Region	Area				Yield				Production				Change In Production			
	Prel. 1995/96	1997/98 Proj. 1996/97	Mar. 1997/98	Apr. 1997/98	Prel. 1995/96	1997/98 Proj. 1996/97	Mar. 1997/98	Apr. 1997/98	Prel. 1995/96	1997/98 Proj. 1996/97	Mar. 1997/98	Apr. 1997/98	From last month	From last year		
	Million hectares				Kilograms per hectare				Million 480 lb. bales				MBales	Percent	MBales	Percent
World	35.93	33.83	33.73	33.70	564	574	581	576	93.03	89.18	90.08	89.19	-0.89	-0.99	0.01	0.02
United States	6.48	5.21	5.38	5.38	602	792	769	763	17.90	18.94	18.98	18.83	-0.15	-0.77	-0.11	-0.59
Total Foreign	29.46	28.62	28.36	28.33	555	534	546	541	75.13	70.24	71.11	70.36	-0.74	-1.04	0.13	0.18
Major Exporters	16.64	15.83	15.95	15.93	696	662	693	692	53.19	48.15	50.81	50.66	-0.15	-0.30	2.51	5.22
China	5.42	4.72	4.50	4.50	879	890	953	953	21.90	19.30	19.70	19.70	0.00	0.00	0.40	2.07
Pakistan	3.05	3.20	2.90	2.90	586	497	526	526	8.20	7.30	7.00	7.00	0.00	0.00	-0.30	-4.11
Sudan	0.22	0.28	0.27	0.27	485	358	329	329	0.49	0.46	0.40	0.40	0.00	0.00	-0.06	-13.04
Turkey	0.76	0.74	0.70	0.70	1,125	1,054	1,026	1,026	3.91	3.60	3.30	3.30	0.00	0.00	-0.30	-8.33
FSU-12	2.57	2.52	2.60	2.58	699	560	611	616	8.26	6.47	7.31	7.31	0.00	0.00	0.84	12.98
Uzbekistan	1.50	1.50	1.50	1.50	833	689	784	784	5.74	4.75	5.40	5.40	0.00	0.00	0.65	13.68
Turkmenistan	0.45	0.45	0.55	0.55	556	290	356	356	1.15	0.60	0.90	0.90	0.00	0.00	0.30	50.00
Other	0.62	0.57	0.55	0.53	479	432	397	412	1.37	1.12	1.01	1.01	0.00	0.00	-0.11	-9.82
Egypt	0.31	0.39	0.36	0.36	774	882	877	937	1.09	1.57	1.45	1.55	0.10	6.90	-0.02	-1.15
African Franc Zone	1.61	1.91	2.06	2.06	424	418	440	440	3.14	3.66	4.15	4.15	0.00	0.00	0.49	13.36
Southern Hemisphere	2.70	2.08	2.57	2.57	499	607	635	614	6.20	5.79	7.50	7.25	-0.25	-3.33	1.46	25.26
Argentina	0.96	0.88	1.00	1.00	437	369	457	414	1.93	1.49	2.10	1.90	-0.20	-9.52	0.41	27.26
Australia	0.30	0.40	0.43	0.43	1,425	1,537	1,519	1,519	1.97	2.79	3.00	3.00	0.00	0.00	0.21	7.60
Brazil	1.13	0.70	0.92	0.92	345	407	450	450	1.79	1.30	1.90	1.90	0.00	0.00	0.60	46.15
Paraguay	0.31	0.11	0.22	0.22	355	429	495	445	0.51	0.21	0.50	0.45	-0.05	-10.00	0.24	117.39
Major Importers	0.54	0.55	0.55	0.55	939	745	885	885	2.32	1.88	2.25	2.25	0.00	0.00	0.37	19.67
Other Foreign	12.28	12.24	11.85	11.84	348	360	332	321	19.62	20.21	18.05	17.45	-0.59	-3.29	-2.76	-13.64
India	9.06	9.17	9.00	9.00	318	327	283	271	13.25	13.78	11.70	11.20	-0.50	-4.27	-2.58	-18.73
Others	3.22	3.07	2.85	2.84	432	456	485	479	6.37	6.43	6.35	6.25	-0.09	-1.47	-0.18	-2.74