Cotton Ginnings

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Running Bales Ginned by Crop – States and United States: November 1, 2023-2026

[Excluding linters]

Crop and State	Running bales ginned			
	2023 Crop	2024 Crop	2025 Crop	2026 Crop
	November 1, 2023	November 1, 2024	November 1, 2025	November 1, 2026
	(number)	(number)	(number)	(number)
Upland				
Alabama	169,350	206,750	200,450	174,150
Arizona	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Arkansas	616,100	727,950	664,150	615,400
California	8,100	11,350	16,300	16,150
Florida	(D)	(D)	25,650	2,950
Georgia	255,350	261,250	377,500	224,300
Kansas	(D)	(D)	3,300	(D)
Louisiana	175,050	200,650	150,200	187,900
Mississippi	480,200	614,250	457,550	405,550
Missouri	262,100	332,900	258,750	223,100
New Mexico	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
North Carolina	135,100	131,300	183,000	152,050
Oklahoma	28,450	37,350	80,450	(D)
South Carolina	33,500	60,550	35,000	34,800
Tennessee	220,200	262,750	220,600	196,500
Texas	(D)	(D)	1,791,450	(D)
Virginia	8,400	23,600	36,650	30,350
United States	3,588,850	4,624,850	4,524,700	3,642,750
American Pima				
Arizona	-	-	(D)	-
California	16,800	42,750	71,750	54,850
New Mexico	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Texas	(D)	(D)	1,850	(D)
United States	18,000	47,250	75,250	59,100
All				
Alabama	169,350	206,750	200,450	174,150
Arizona	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
Arkansas	616,100	727,950	664,150	615,400
California	24,900	54,100	88,050	71,000
Florida	(D)	(D)	25,650	2,950
Georgia	255,350	261,250	377,500	224,300
Kansas	(D)	(D)	3,300	(D)
Louisiana	175,050	200,650	150,200	187,900
Mississippi	480,200	614,250	457,550	405,550
Missouri	262,100	332,900	258,750	223,100
New Mexico	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)
North Carolina	135,100	131,300	183,000	152,050
Oklahoma	28,450	37,350	80,450	(D)
South Carolina	33,500	60,550	35,000	34,800
Tennessee	220,200	262,750	220,600	196,500
Texas	1,132,000	1,697,700	1,793,300	1,331,150
Virginia	8,400	23,600	36,650	30,350
United States	3,606,850	4,672,100	4,599,950	3,701,850

- Represents zero.
(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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Crops: Apricots, Bell Peppers, Broccoli, Canola, Cauliflower, Chile Peppers, Cucumbers, Hemp, Macadamias, Mustard Seed, Nectarines, Peaches, Plums, Pumpkins, Prunes, Rapeseed, Rye, Safflower, Soybeans, Squash, Sunflower

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Crops: Artichokes, Avocados, Cabbage, Crop Progress, Dates, Dry Edible Beans, Grapes, Green Peas, Hops, Olives, Pistachios, Potatoes, Rice, Snap Beans, Sugarbeets, Sugarcane, Sweet Potatoes, Tomatoes, Walnuts, Wheat

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Crops: Almonds, Asparagus, Barley, Beets, Blueberries, Carrots, Chickpeas, Coffee, Corn, Cranberries, Dry Edible Peas, Garlic, Grapefruit, Lemons, Lentils, Mandarins/Tangerines, Maple, Mushrooms, Onions, Oranges, Papayas, Pears, Pecans, Raspberries, Sweet Corn, Tobacco

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Crops: Apples, Cantaloupe, Cotton, Cotton Ginnings, Cotton System Consumption and Stocks, Fats and Oils, Flaxseed, Flour Milling Products, Grain Crushings, Hay, Hazelnuts, Honeydew, Kale, Kiwifruit, Lettuce, Mint, Oats, Peanuts, Proso Millet, Sorghum, Spinach, Strawberries, Sweet Cherries, Tart Cherries, Watermelon

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