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# Monthly Cotton Linters Review

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**Production** of cotton linters by United States oil mills totaled 38,000 running bales equivalents during June, according to the Bureau of the Census. This was down from 41,000 bales produced last year. Shipments of cotton linters from oil mills totaled 47,000 in June. This compared with 43,000 bales shipped last year. Oil mill stocks totaled 12,000 running bales compared to 14,000 last year.

**Table 1. Oil mill production, shipments and stocks of cotton linters, by months,  
United States, 2003-2007 1/**

Season beginning August 1	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Total
1,000 bales													
<b>Production</b>													
2003	43	30	63	65	64	66	62	69	55	62	53	50	609
2004	55	43	58	57	59	61	55	59	61	51	57	50	682
2005	60	44	59	65	63	61	51	55	49	(D)	(D)	38	(D)
2006	48	40	53	49	49	51	46	50	46	47	41	44	565
2007 2/	38	44	54	52	57	60	58	59	53	66	38		
<b>Shipments</b>													
2003	44	30	61	60	66	63	62	70	60	56	54	54	680
2004	58	43	53	58	60	56	57	60	58	52	57	51	664
2005	61	48	53	60	65	61	51	51	49	(D)	(D)	40	(D)
2006	48	35	57	51	46	48	42	55	48	44	43	47	561
2007 2/	42	36	45	67	54	61	52	53	62	57	47		
<b>Oil mill stocks</b>													
2003	8	9	10	15	13	16	15	14	10	17	16	11	-
2004	9	9	14	12	11	15	13	12	14	13	13	12	-
2005	11	6	13	18	13	13	13	17	18	18	11	9	-
2006	9	14	11	9	12	15	18	13	12	16	14	11	-
2007 2/	7	14	28	13	16	15	21	21	12	21	12		

1/ Reported in running bale equivalents. 2/ Preliminary. (D) Withheld to avoid disclosing individual oil mills.

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**Cottonseed receipts** at oil totaled 2,584,000 tons through June this season compared with 2,572,000 a year earlier and 3,071,000 tons in June 2006. Oil mills crushed 192,000 tons of cottonseed during June, compared with 205,000 in the previous year and 227,000 two years ago. Oil mills had 838,000 tons of cottonseed on hand at the end of June compared to 638,000 tons a year ago and 840,000 at the end of June 2006.

Table 2. Receipts, crushings and stocks of cottonseed at oil mills, by months, United States, 2003-2007

Season beginning August 1	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Total
1,000 tons													
<b>Receipts</b>													
2003	98	236	705	738	502	178	72	74	60	13	-3	40	2,713
2004	120	251	758	717	502	381	234	99	6	4	-2	16	3,084
2005	154	243	838	874	509	309	146	148	-132	-9	-9	-35	3,036
2006	36	319	753	750	411	165	65	32	7	9	25	39	2,611
2007 1/	39	23	772	761	462	279	214	62	14	-13	-29		
<b>Crushings</b>													
2003	139	99	252	255	252	265	242	278	217	240	218	182	2,639
2004	194	141	248	260	263	283	266	270	288	221	267	222	2,923
2005	241	170	272	289	297	291	245	277	235	280	227	203	3,028
2006	205	158	252	223	237	251	222	249	231	243	205	203	2,679
2007 1/	173	166	242	241	252	276	264	235	245	235	192		
<b>Stocks</b>													
2003	306	443	896	1,379	1,630	1,543	1,372	1,168	1,011	784	563	421	-
2004	347	457	967	1,424	1,661	1,769	1,736	1,565	1,284	1,066	797	592	-
2005	505	578	1,144	1,729	1,941	1,959	1,859	1,733	1,366	1,077	840	602	-
2006	433	564	1,058	1,585	1,760	1,675	1,517	1,300	1,052	817	638	489	-
2007 1/	361	416	979	1,499	1,710	1,713	1,671	1,498	1,306	1,059	838		

1/ Preliminary.

Source: U. S. Bureau of the Census report M311J.

**Exports of raw cotton linters** in the United States totaled 418,000 metric tons during June, compared to 2,824 tons last year and 2,186 tons two years ago.

Table 3. U.S. Exports of raw cotton linter fiber, by months, 2003-2007

Season beginning August 1	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Season total 1/
Metric tons 2/													
2003	1,190	2,770	2,754	5,126	5,774	6,550	3,948	6,880	3,604	1,797	1,913	2,596	44,902
2004	1,929	1,358	3,934	2,585	3,786	1,646	1,217	1,710	1,161	2,760	1,493	440	24,019
2005	530	948	2,147	310	1,258	1,108	2,043	3,279	4,531	3,768	2,186	1,066	23,174
2006	1,757	967	1,131	1,190	964	0	366	3,943	1,511	1,683	2,824	3,183	19,519
2007	3,428	738	1,206	594	240	639	1,872	1,503	1,803	393	418		

1/ The sum of monthly figures may not equal the season total due to rounding. 2/ 1 metric ton = U.S. equivalent 2,204.6 pounds.