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**** Due to Government Shutdown AWP prices and Export Sales are not included in this issue.****

Spot quotations averaged 119 points lower than the previous week, according to the USDA, Agricultural Marketing Service's Cotton and Tobacco Program. Quotations for the base quality of cotton (color 41, leaf 4, staple 34, mike 35-36 and 43-49, strength 27.0 - 28.9, and uniformity 81.0 - 81.9) in the seven designated markets averaged 59.69 cents per pound for the week ending Thursday, October 16, 2025. The weekly average was down from 60.88 cents last week and from 65.18 cents reported in the corresponding period a year ago. Daily average quotations ranged from a high of 59.84 cents on Friday, October 10 to a low of 59.51 cents on Tuesday, October 14. Spot transactions reported in the Daily Spot Cotton Quotations for the week ended October 16 totaled 2,547 bales. This compares to 7,696 reported last week and 6,939 bales reported the corresponding week a year ago. Total spot transactions for the season were 50,431 bales compared to 69,158 the corresponding week a year ago. The ICE December settlement price ended the week at 63.73 cents, compared to 64.47 cents last week.

41-434 Prices								
Date	SE	ND	SD	ETX-STX	WTX-KS-OK	DSW	SJV	7-MKT AVG
10-Oct	62.09	61.34	61.34	57.59	58.59	58.84	59.09	59.84
13-Oct	61.84	61.09	61.09	57.34	58.34	58.59	58.84	59.59
14-Oct	61.76	61.01	61.01	57.26	58.26	58.51	58.76	59.51
15-Oct	62.01	61.26	61.26	57.51	58.51	58.76	59.01	59.76
16-Oct	61.98	61.23	61.23	57.48	58.48	58.73	58.98	59.73
Date	SE	ND	SD	ETX-STX	WTX-KS-OK	DSW	SJV	7-MKT AVG
10-Oct	67.84	66.09	65.59	64.59	63.84	64.84	71.49	66.33
13-Oct	67.59	65.84	65.34	64.34	63.59	64.59	71.24	66.08
14-Oct	67.51	65.76	65.26	64.26	63.51	64.51	71.16	66.00
15-Oct	67.76	66.01	65.51	64.51	63.76	64.76	71.41	66.25
16-Oct	67.73	65.98	65.48	64.48	63.73	64.73	71.38	66.22
Futures Settlement								Far Eastern A Index 1/
Date	Dec-25	Mar-26	May-26	Jul-26	Oct-26	Dec-26	Current	
10-Oct	63.84	65.60	66.89	68.10	67.92	67.93	75.10	
13-Oct	63.59	65.26	66.56	67.79	67.67	67.73	74.85	
14-Oct	63.51	65.09	66.31	67.49	67.47	67.57	74.95	
15-Oct	63.76	65.33	66.55	67.72	67.59	67.76	75.30	
16-Oct	63.73	65.29	66.50	67.66	67.46	67.65	76.05	
Spot Transactions								
Date	SE	ND	SD	ETX-STX	WTX-KS-OK	DSW	SJV	PIMA
10-Oct	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
13-Oct	157	0	0	318	0	0	0	0
14-Oct	0	0	0	628	0	0	0	0
15-Oct	0	0	0	45	0	0	0	0
16-Oct	58	0	0	0	1,341	0	0	0
Weekly Totals	215	0	0	991	1,341	0	0	0

Source: USDA, AMS, Cotton and Tobacco Program, 1/ Cotlook

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Southeastern Markets Regional Summary

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Supplies and offerings were light. Demand was moderate. Average local spot prices were lower. Trading of CCC-loan equities was inactive. No interest in forward contracting was reported.

Mostly sunny conditions with patches of early morning fog were observed across the lower Southeast during the period. Daytime high temperatures were mostly in the 80s, and nighttime lows were 50s to low 60s. Very light isolated shower activity was received in portions of north Alabama and the Florida Panhandle. Isolated shower activity brought trace amounts to around one half of an inch of moisture to areas of north and south Alabama and the Florida Panhandle. Heavier accumulations from trace amounts to around one inch were received throughout central Georgia. Bolls were cracking open. Soils remained firm and defoliation and harvesting activities were advancing in the earliest planted fields. Ginning was underway.

Cloudy conditions over the weekend gave way to sunny skies later in the week across the upper Southeast. Daytime high temperatures were mostly in the 80s. Nighttime lows were mostly in the 50s. Moderate to heavy precipitation was received across cotton growing areas of the eastern Carolinas. Weekly accumulated precipitation totals measured

from one to four inches. The crop advanced. Producers applied defoliant where soils were firm enough to support equipment. Harvesting has begun and producers applied defoliant. Bolls had just begun to crack open. Harvesting had begun in the earliest planted fields in North Carolina and ginning has begun on a limited basis.

Textile Mill

Domestic mill buyers inquired for a moderate volume of color 41 and better, leaf 4 and better, for second quarter through fourth quarter 2026 delivery. No sales and no additional inquiries were reported. Mill buyers maintained a cautious undertone as they balanced raw cotton purchases with yarn orders.

Demand through export channels was moderate. Agents throughout the Far East inquired for any discounted styles of raw cotton.

Trading

- A moderate volume of color 31 and 41, leaf 3 and 4, staple 37 and 38, mike 43-52, strength 30-33, and uniformity 80-83 sold for around 66.50 cents per pound, FOB car/truck, Georgia terms (Rule 5, compression charges paid, 30 days free storage).
- A light volume of 2024-crop cotton, color 41, leaf 3 and 4, staple 36 and 37, mike 43-49, strength 27-30, and uniformity 80-83 sold for around 62.50 cents per pound, FOB car/truck (Rule 5, compression charges paid).

South Central Markets Regional Summary

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North Delta

Trading of spot cotton and CCC-loan equities was inactive. Supplies of available cotton were light. Demand was very light. Average local spot prices were lower. No forward contracting was reported. Business remained slow as growers waited for loan functions to restore.

Sunny skies provided abundant sunshine during the reporting period. Daytime highs were in the low to mid-80s. Overnight lows were in the 50s and 60s. No rain was reported. Light rainfall was in the nearby forecast. Producers fought against regrowth due to rain from the previous reporting period, which caused a mixed variety of color in the cotton. According to the U.S. Drought Monitor report released on October 16, mostly abnormal to severe drought characterized the soil moisture throughout Missouri. In Arkansas and Tennessee drought activity ranged from abnormal to moderate. Fieldwork was being done. Intervals of colored to light spotted cotton were visible in fields. Defoliation was 100 percent complete in Missouri and still underway in Arkansas and Tennessee. Pickers were in fields picking cotton. Modules accumulated as module trucks transported cotton from fields to gin yards. Gins were in operation and gaining momentum at their own time in Arkansas, Missouri, and Tennessee. According to the Weekly Cotton Quality report for the week ending October 16, the Memphis Classing Office has classed 206,366 bales and the Dumas Classing Office has classed 207,033 bales. There are 24 gins operating in Arkansas, 14 in Missouri, and 15 gins in Tennessee. Warehouses

continued to overflow with cotton. Virtual and in person industry meetings were planned and attended at state and national levels.

South Delta

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Mostly sunny skies dominated the weather pattern with cool afternoon winds. Daytimes high temperatures were in the 80s and 90s. Overnight lows were in the 50s to low 60s. No rain was reported. According to the U.S. Drought Monitor report released on October 16, drought conditions were mostly abnormal to moderate in Louisiana and Mississippi. A small number of areas in Mississippi ranged from severe to extreme drought. Fieldwork was being done. Defoliation and harvesting continued as growers took advantage of the seasonable weather. No plant bug activity was reported. Producers watched warehouse charges closely as cotton continued to fill the remaining areas left. Intervals of colored to light spotted cotton were visible in fields. According to the Weekly Cotton Quality for the week ending October 16, the Rayville Classing Office has classed 83,495 bales. There are 11 gins operating in Louisiana and 25 gins operating in Mississippi. Virtual and in person industry meetings were planned and attended at state and national levels.

Trading

North Delta

- No trading activity was reported.

South Delta

- No trading activity was reported.

Southwestern Markets Regional Summary

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East Texas-South Texas

Spot cotton trading was slow. Supplies and producer offerings were moderate. Demand was moderate. Average local spot prices were lower. Producer interest in forward contracting was light. Trading of CCC-loan equities was inactive. Foreign mill inquiries were moderate. Interest was best from India, Pakistan, and Vietnam.

Open skies and cooler, more mild temperatures were observed in the East Texas region during the period. Daytime high temperatures were in the upper 80s to the low 90s. Overnight temperatures were in the upper 50s to the low 70s. No precipitation was reported during the period. Producers worked quickly to finalize harvest and staged modules in fields for transportation to gins. Some producers finished harvesting during the period. Gins processed modules accumulated in yards. In South Texas, mostly sunny conditions continued, with showers developing mid-week in the Coastal Bend and lower Rio Grande Valley (RGV). Daytime high temperatures were in the upper 80s to the mid-90s, with overnight low temperatures in the upper 60s to the low 70s. Accumulated rainfall totals ranged, with areas of the Coastal Bend receiving trace amounts to portions of the lower RGV receiving over one inch of rain. Producers winterized fields and prepared for the winter season. Transportation of modules from fields to gins was ongoing. Gins continued working long shifts, processing modules as quickly as possible. Pressed bales were then transported to warehouses for storage. Regional industry meetings were held and attended in the Upper Coast.

West Texas-Kansas-Oklahoma

Spot cotton trading was slow. Supplies and producer offerings were light. Demand was light. Average local spot prices were lower. Producer interest in forward contracting was light. Trading of CCC-loan equities was inactive. Foreign mill inquiries were moderate. Interest was best from India, Pakistan, and Vietnam.

The classic West Texas fall weather pattern persisted with daytime highs from the low 70s to low 90s, while overnight temperatures settled between the upper 50s and low 60s. Partly cloudy skies early in the period gave way to abundant sunshine. Intermittent rainfall entered the region early and brought mostly trace amounts of moisture. A few locations mainly in the Panhandle received around three-quarters of an inch of precipitation. Harvesting activities experienced brief delays but quickly resumed and expanded. Harvest aid applications were administered to fields deemed ready for treatment. Modules were visible along field edges and accumulated at gin yards. Sample receipts continued to flow into all three West Texas Classing offices, where grading services were underway.

Daytime highs in Kansas fluctuated from the low 60s to upper 80s, with overnight lows in the 50s and 60s. A passing cold front brought cooler temperatures and scattered thunderstorms that delivered a light amount of rain. Subsequent warmer temperatures and sunny skies later in the period supported boll development. Bolls continued opening across the region, prompting timely applications of boll openers and defoliant to accelerate crop maturity. Producers remained hopeful for a late season freeze to allow the remaining late crop additional time to reach full development. Warm days and mild nights prevailed across Oklahoma, with daytime highs in the mid-70s to low 90s and overnight lows in the 50s and 60s. Field activities pressed on despite pop-up rain showers. Spraying harvest aids and defoliant was widespread, and harvest efforts gained momentum. Modules were trucked to gin yards. The season progressed.

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Trading

East Texas/South Texas

- A light volume of color 21 and 31, leaf 3 and 4, staple 37 and 38, mike 40 and 41, strength 29-31, and uniformity 81 and 82 sold for 64.00 cents per pound, FOB warehouse (compression charges not paid).
- A moderate volume of color 22 and better, leaf 1-4, staple 36-38, mike 38-41, strength 28-31, and uniformity 80-82 sold for 60.25 to 62.75 cents, same terms as above.
- A light volume of color 53 and better, leaf 4 and 5, staple 37, mike 47-50, strength 31-34, and uniformity 82 and 83 sold for around 53.00 cents, same terms as above.

West Texas, Kansas, & Oklahoma

- In Texas, an even-running lot containing a light volume of 2024-crop cotton color 31 and 41, leaf 3-5, staple 33-35, mike 43-49, strength 25-28, and uniformity 77-81 sold for around 55.00 cents per pound, FOB car/truck, (compression charges not paid).
- A mixed lot containing a light volume of 2024-crop cotton color 21-42, leaf 2-6, staple 32-35, mike 39-43, strength 26-32, and uniformity 78-81 traded for around 53.50 cents, same terms as above.
- A mixed lots containing a light volume of new-crop cotton color 31-33, leaf 6 and better, staple 31-35, mike 34-47, strength 25-30, uniformity 76-80, and 25 percent extraneous matter (bark) sold for 50.25 to 52.00 cents, same terms as above.
- Mixed lots containing a light volume of 2024-crop cotton color 12-42, leaf 3 and better, staple 32 and 33, mike 40-48, strength 27-30, and uniformity averaging 80.3 traded for 53.00 to 53.50 cents, same terms as above.

Western Markets Regional Summary

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Desert Southwest (DSW)

Spot cotton trading was inactive. Supplies and producer offerings were light. Demand was light. Producer interest in forward contracting was light. Average local prices were lower. No Forward contracting or domestic mill activity was reported. Foreign mill inquiries were light.

Weather conditions in Arizona were partly cloudy for most of the period. Thunderstorms brought rain totaling up to two inches in some locales. Cooler temperatures moved into areas as daytime highs dropped into the 70s and 80s. Nighttime lows were in the 50s and 60s. Picking expanded in central Arizona. Modules accumulated on gins yards. Ginning continued uninterrupted in Yuma, AZ. In New Mexico and El Paso, TX, sunny to partly cloudy conditions were prevalent. Daily temperatures were in the 80s, with nightly lows in the 50s and 60s. Producers were defoliating fields.

San Joaquin Valley (SJV)

Spot cotton trading was inactive. Supplies and demand were light. No forward contracting or domestic mill activity was reported. Average local prices were lower. Foreign mill inquiries were light.

In the SJV, Daily temperatures cooled into the 60s and 70s under partly cloudy skies. Nightly lows were in the 40s and 50s. A storm system at the end of the period brought one and one-half inches of rain. Sources estimate the crop to be at or a little above average. Fields were being defoliated, and harvesting was underway. Modules were trucked to gin yards. Ginning commenced on a limited scale.

American Pima (AP)

Spot cotton trading was inactive. Supplies were moderate. Demand was light. No forward contracting or domestic mill activity was reported. Average local spot prices were steady. Foreign mill inquiries were light.

In the SJV, daily temperatures dropped into the 60s as a cold front moved through the area. Rain showers produced around one and one-half inches of rainfall. Defoliation continued and harvesting and ginning commenced on a limited scale. Sources report that yields are projected to be above average this season. Weather conditions in Arizona were cooler with daytime temperatures in the 70s and 80s and nighttime lows in the 50s and 60s. Harvest and defoliation activities continued.

Trading

Desert Southwest

- No trading activity was reported.

San Joaquin Valley

- No trading activity was reported.

American Pima

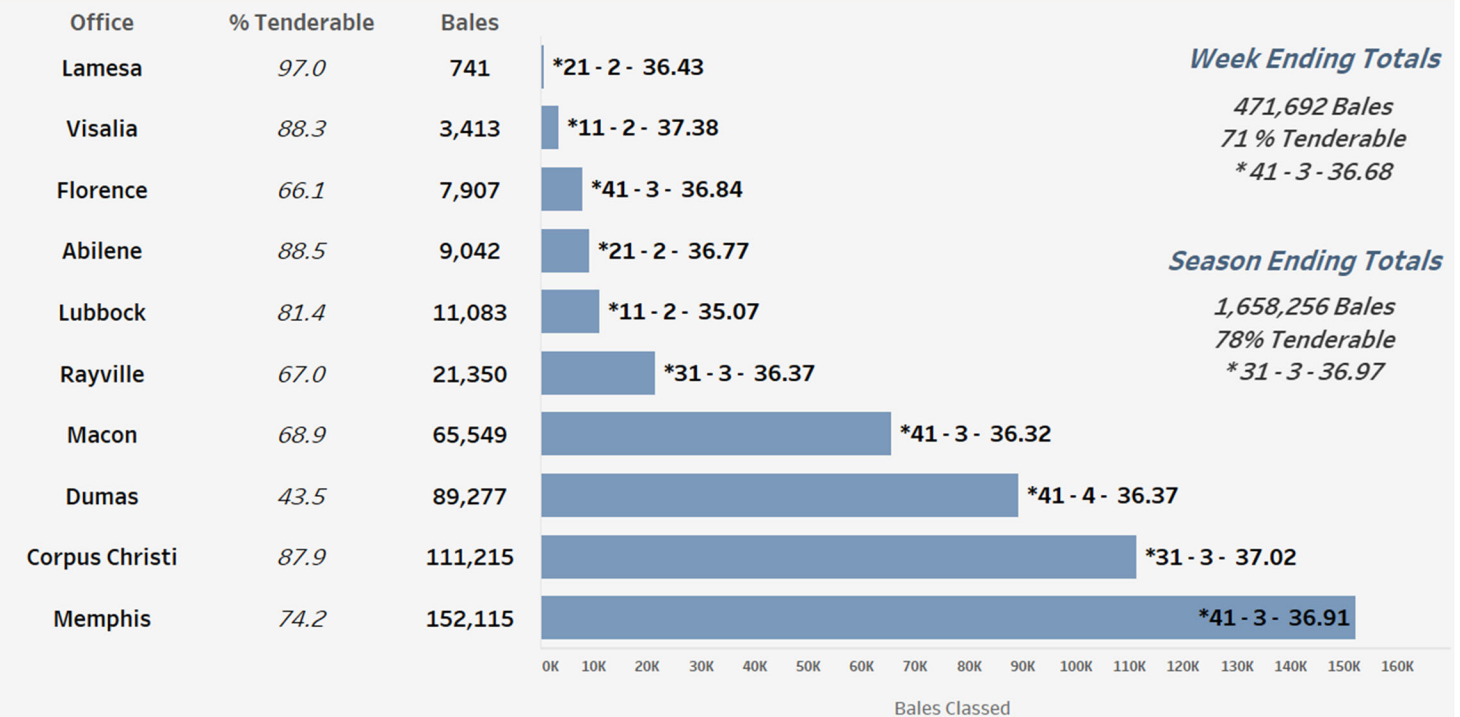
- No trading activity was reported.

Cotton Bales Classed

For the week ending October 16, 471,692 bales were classed. All offices are classing cotton. Quality data across all office for the week was 43.4 percent for color 41, 49.4 percent for leaf 3, staple averaging 36.68, mike averaging 4.59, strength averaging 31.00, and uniformity averaging 82.02. For the entire U.S. upland crop, total classed during the season was 1,658,256 bales.

Bales of Upland Cotton Classed by Office, Week Ending Oct. 16, 2025

* Predominate Color - Predominate Leaf - Avg. Staple



USDA, AMS, Cotton and Tobacco Program, Market News, *Data Source: USDA Cotton Quality Data*

[For complete report click here.](#)

Certified Stocks

Number of Bales in Certificated Stocks

Delivery Points	Stocks as of 10-16-2025	Awaiting Review	Non-Rain Grown Cotton
Dallas/FT. Worth, TX	15,992	0	0
Galveston, TX	439	0	0
Greenville, SC	0	0	0
Houston, TX	28	0	0
Memphis, TN	292	0	0
Total	16,751	0	0

Source: USDA, AMS and ICE U.S. Futures

American Pima quotations are for cotton equal to the Official Standards, net weight, in mixed lots, UD Free, FOB warehouse. 1/

AMERICAN PIMA SPOT QUOTATIONS

Color	Leaf	Staple			
		44	46	48	50
1	1	145.75	151.50	153.25	153.25
	2	145.50	151.25	153.00	153.00
	3	138.75	146.50	147.50	147.50
	4				
	5				
	6				
2	1	145.50	151.25	153.00	153.00
	2	145.25	151.00	152.75	152.75
	3	138.50	146.25	147.25	147.25
	4	128.50	136.75	137.75	137.75
	5				
	6				
3	1	137.25	145.00	146.00	146.00
	2	134.75	142.50	143.50	143.50
	3	132.50	140.25	141.25	141.25
	4	123.50	131.25	132.25	132.25
	5	107.50	114.75	115.75	115.75
	6				
4	1	118.50	126.25	128.00	128.00
	2	118.25	126.00	127.25	127.25
	3	117.00	124.75	125.75	125.75
	4	112.00	119.75	120.75	120.75
	5	100.75	108.50	109.50	109.50
	6				
5	1				
	2	95.25	105.25	105.25	105.25
	3	95.25	104.75	105.00	105.00
	4	95.25	99.25	99.25	99.25
	5	95.00	99.00	99.00	99.00
	6				
6	1				
	2	87.50	90.50	90.50	90.50
	3	87.50	90.50	90.50	90.50
	4	87.50	90.50	90.50	90.50
	5	87.25	90.25	90.25	90.25
	6	86.75	89.75	89.75	89.75

The current Pima spot quotations represent prices from local sales, export sales, and offerings last reported on July 23, 2025

Mike

Range	Diff.
26 & Below	-2000
27-29	-1500
30-32	-1000
33-34	-500
35 & Above	0

Strength

(Grams per Tex)	
Range	Diff.
34.9 & Below	-1650
35.0 – 35.9	-1400
36.0 – 36.9	-1150
37.0 – 37.9	-800
38.0 – 38.9	0
39.0 – 39.9	0
40.0 & Above	0

Extraneous Matter

Type - Level	Diff.
Prep - Level 1	-810
Prep - Level 2	-1095
Other - Level 1	-715
Other - Level 2	-1035
Plastic - Level 1	-4000
Plastic - Level 2	-4000

1/ Pima spot quotations for color-leaf-staple combinations not quoted will be included as sales of those qualities which are reported.

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