

# Weekly Cotton Market Review

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Spot quotations averaged 96 points higher 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 61.10 cents per pound for the week ending Thursday, October 30, 2025. The weekly average was up from 60.14 cents last week, but down from 64.84 cents reported in the corresponding period a year ago. Daily average quotations ranged from a low of 60.27 cents on Friday, October 24 to a high of 62.19 cents on Wednesday, October 29. Spot transactions reported in the Daily Spot Cotton Quotations for the week ended October 30 totaled 18,950 bales. This compares to 4,849 reported last week and 6,001 bales reported the corresponding week a year ago. Total spot transactions for the season were 74,230 bales compared to 89,823 the corresponding week a year ago. The ICE December settlement price ended the week at 65.12 cents, compared to 64.07 cents last week.

41-4-34 Prices									
Date	SE	ND	SD	ETX-STX	WTX-KS-OK	DSW	SJV	7-MKT AVG	
24-Oct	62.45	61.70	61.70	58.20	59.20	59.20	59.45	60.27	
27-Oct	62.81	62.06	62.06	58.56	59.56	59.56	59.81	60.63	
28-Oct	63.30	62.55	62.55	59.05	60.05	60.05	60.30	61.12	
29-Oct	64.01	63.51	63.51	60.51	61.51	61.01	61.26	62.19	
30-Oct	63.12	62.62	62.62	59.62	60.62	60.12	60.37	61.30	
31-3-36 Prices									
Date	SE	ND	SD	ETX-STX	WTX-KS-OK	DSW	SJV	7-MKT AVG	
24-Oct	68.20	66.45	65.95	65.20	64.45	65.20	71.85	66.76	
27-Oct	68.56	66.81	66.31	65.56	64.81	65.56	72.21	67.12	
28-Oct	69.05	67.30	66.80	66.05	65.30	66.05	72.70	67.61	
29-Oct	69.76	68.26	67.76	67.51	66.76	67.01	73.66	68.67	
30-Oct	68.87	67.37	66.87	66.62	65.87	66.12	72.77	67.78	
Futures Settlement Far Eastern A Index 1/									
Date	Dec-25	Mar-26	May-26	Jul-26	Oct-26	Dec-26	Current		
24-Oct	64.20	65.71	66.95	68.12	68.10	68.23	75.55		
27-Oct	64.56	66.07	67.30	68.45	68.31	68.30	75.60		
28-Oct	65.05	66.60	67.80	68.93	68.70	68.62	75.95		
29-Oct	66.01	67.51	68.71	69.82	69.25	69.14	76.40		
30-Oct	65.12	66.69	67.91	69.05	68.78	68.70	4	77.40	
Spot Transactions									
Date	SE	ND	SD	ETX-STX	WTX-KS-OK	DSW	SJV	PIMA	
24-Oct	0	0	0	0	506	0	0	0	
27-Oct	0	0	0	338	341	0	0	0	
28-Oct	0	0	0	1,337	0	0	0	0	
29-Oct	3,000	0	0	1,446	2,394	0	0	0	
30-Oct	0	0	0	3,747	5,841	0	0	0	
Weekly Totals	3,000	0	0	6,868	9,082	0	0	0	

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

#### Southeastern Markets Regional Summary

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

Mostly cloudy to overcast conditions dominated the weather pattern across the lower Southeast over the weekend and early in the week before sunny conditions returned late in the week. Seasonably cooler daytime temperatures were in the low 60s, and nighttime lows were in the upper 30s to the low 50s. Widespread rainfall brought moisture to areas throughout Alabama, the Florida Panhandle, and portions of southwest Georgia. Precipitation totals measured from one-half of an inch up to two inches of moisture. The crop advanced at a slower pace under the cooler conditions. Bolls continued cracking open across the region. Harvesting was delayed in areas where wet conditions persisted. Producers applied harvest aid chemicals as conditions allowed. Modules continued to arrive on gin yards, and ginning was expanding.

Intermittent sunshine and overcast conditions were observed across the upper Southeast during the

reporting period. Daytime high temperatures in the 70s cooled into the 50s as the week progressed. Nighttime lows were in the 40s and 50s. Widespread rainfall was received across portions of the eastern Carolinas and Virginia. Weekly accumulated precipitation totals measured from around one inch to one and three-quarters of an inch of moisture. Harvesting and fieldwork was delayed in some areas due to wet conditions. Modules were accumulating on gin yards; ginning expanded in North Carolina and was getting underway in South Carolina and Virginia.

## **Textile Mill**

Domestic mill buyers inquired for a moderate volume of color 51 and better, leaf 4 and better, and staple 32 and longer for second quarter through fourth quarter 2026 delivery. No sales and no additional inquiries were reported. Yarn demand was moderate. The undertone from mill buyers remained cautious.

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

## **Trading**

• A heavy volume mixed lot containing color mostly 41 and 51, leaf 3-5, staple 35-37, mike 43-53, strength 29-32, and uniformity 80-83 sold for around 61.75 cents per pound, FOB car/truck, Georgia terms (Rule 5, compression charges paid, 30 days free storage).

#### South Central Markets Regional Summary

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#### North Delta

Spot cotton trading was inactive. Supplies of available cotton were light. Demand was very light. Trading of CCC-loan equities was inactive. Average local spot prices were higher. Interest in forward contracting was light. Business remained slow as trading tensions continued to rise.

Cloudy skies and consistent showers dominated the weather pattern during the reporting period in the Mid-South and other local territories. Seasonably cold weather moved into the region. Daytime highs were in the low 70s, and nighttime lows were in the low 50s. Thunderstorms throughout the week produced accumulated rainfall totals ranging from around one inch to four and one-quarter inches of rain, dropping daytime temperatures into the low 50s and 60s and nightly lows into the 40s. According to the U.S. Drought Monitor report released on October 30, drought status remained unchanged in spite of heavy rainfall in Arkansas, Missouri, and Tennessee. Soggy field conditions hampered harvesting and fieldwork activity, but producers attempted to work between rains to prepare fields for the next crop. Some growers were optimistic about yields. Ginning continued uninterrupted. Modules were transported to gin yards. According to the USDA Cotton & Tobacco Program's Weekly Cotton Quality report for the week ending October 30, the Memphis Classing Office had classed 721,191 bales, and the Dumas Classing Office had classed 420,202 bales. There are 33 gins operating in Dumas, and 64 gins operating in Memphis, according to the same report. Virtual and in person industry meetings were planned and attended at the state and national levels.

#### South 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 higher. A light interest in forward contracting was reported. Business remained slow as trading tensions continued to rise.

Early in the period, daytime high temperatures were in the low 80s, with nighttime lows in the 60s. However, thunderstorms that produced heavy rain dropped daytime highs into the low 60s and nightly lows into the low 40s. Accumulated precipitation totals ranged from around one inch to two and one-quarter inches of moisture. According to the U.S. Drought Monitor report released on October 30, continuously dry conditions were eased by heavy rainfall in Louisiana and Mississippi. Although some growers were done with fieldwork, wet field conditions hampered the remaining producer's field activities. Modules were staged on fields waiting to be moved to gins for ginning. The population of modules on gin yards increased daily. According to the USDA Cotton & Tobacco Program's Weekly Cotton Quality report for the week ending October 30, the Rayville Classing Office had classed 144,196 bales. As of October 30, 13 gins were still operating in Louisiana and 30 gins in Mississippi. Virtual and in person industry meetings were planned and attended at the state and national levels.

#### **Trading**

North Delta

No trading activity was reported.

South Delta

• No trading activity was reported.

# **South Central Markets Regional Summary**

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# **South Delta Gin Yards and Cotton Fields**







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## Southwestern Markets Regional Summary

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# East Texas-South Texas

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

Heavy thundershowers early in the period transitioned into windy and partly cloudy conditions in East Texas. Daytime high temperatures ranged from the 60s to the 80s, and overnight temperatures were in the 40s to the 60s. Accumulated rainfall totals measured from two inches of rain up to over four and one-quarter inches in some locales. Much of harvest has been completed, but producers with fields waiting to be picked worked quickly ahead of showers to get as much cotton off the stalk as possible. Post harvest activities continued, as weather conditions permitted, and growers prepped fields for the winter months. Pressing operations continued to progress, and gins worked through modules on the yard. In South Texas, mostly sunny and cloudy conditions persisted throughout the week. Daytime high temperatures ranged from the 70s to the mid-90s. Nighttime low temperatures were in the upper 40s to the low 70s. Scattered showers resulted in moisture totals ranging from trace amounts up to one and one-half inches in some areas of the South Texas region. Gins continued to process modules accumulated on gin yards. Many gins are expected to finish the season in early November. Preparations for the off-season were ongoing for gins who have completed their season.

#### West Texas-Kansas-Oklahoma

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

Texas experienced cooler temperatures, with highs in the mid-50s to the low 80s and lows in the 20s to 50s, marking the season's first freezes. Rainfall reached up to three-quarters of an inch on the High Plains and one and one-quarter of an inch in the Rolling Plains. Briefly, rainfall slowed harvesting activities early in the reporting period. Harvesting of irrigated stands progressed, while many producers awaited leaf desiccation from freezing temperatures before entering dryland fields.

Daytime highs in Kansas were in the mid-50s to low 60s, with overnight lows in the 20s to 50s. A cold front brought cooler temperatures and scattered thunderstorms that delivered up to two inches of rainfall in the southwest and lighter amounts in the southcentral cotton-growing locations. Soggy conditions hindered fieldwork and raised concerns about lint staining. Some producers had begun and finished harvest in the southcentral. Ginning was initiated but slowed by the thunderstorms that halted the transportation of modules. Cooler temperatures settled in across Oklahoma, with daytime highs in the low 60s to mid-70s and overnight lows in the 30s to 50s. Heavy rainfall briefly delayed harvesting activities. Wet fields were quickly dried by windy conditions mid-week, and stripper and picker harvesting quickly restarted. Generally, stripper harvesters were used in the dryland fields and picker harvesters were used in the irrigated fields. Gins continued processing accumulated modules on the yards.

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## **Trading**

#### East Texas/South Texas

- Lots containing a moderate volume of color 41 and better, leaf 3 and 4, staple 38 and 39, mike 40-42, strength 30-32, and uniformity 81-83 sold for around 63.00 cents per pound, FOB warehouse (compression charges not paid).
- A lot containing a heavy volume of color 33 and better, leaf 4 and 5, staple 36 to 38, mike 36-45, strength 30-34, and uniformity 80-83 sold for around 61.25 cents, same terms as above.
- A lot containing a moderate volume of color 22 and better, leaf 1 and 2, staple 36 and 37, mike 40-42, mike averaging 41.6, strength averaging 29.4, and uniformity averaging 81.4 traded for around 60.25 cents, same terms as above.
- A large volume of color 52 and better, leaf 3-5, staple 36-38, mike 36-48, strength 31-35, and uniformity 81-84 sold for 57.25 to 58.75 cents, same terms as above.

#### West Texas, Kansas, & Oklahoma

- In Texas, evening-running lots containing a moderate volume of color 11 and 21, leaf 3 and better, staple 36-40, mike 36-46, strength 30-37, and uniformity 79-84 sold for 65.75 to 66.00 cents per pound, FOB car/truck, (compression charges not paid).
- A mixed lot containing a moderate volume of color 11 and 21, leaf 3 and better, staple 37-38, mike 37-45, strength 33-37, and uniformity averaging 82.1 traded for around 65.00 cents, same terms as above.
- Lots containing a heavy volume of color 12 and better, leaf 4 and better, staple 36-41, mike 39-48, strength 28-34, and uniformity 79-84 traded for 64.50 to 66.00 cents, same terms as above.
- Mixed lots containing a moderate volume of color 22 and better, leaf 4 and better, staple 32-35, mike 35-49, strength 26-33, and uniformity 77-82 traded for 56.00 to 62.00 cents, same terms as above.

## **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 higher. No forward contracting or domestic mill activity was reported. Foreign mill inquiries were light.

In Arizona, sunny and clear skies dominated the weather pattern during the reporting period. Daytime highs were in the upper 80s to the low 90s, with nighttime lows ranging from the 40s to 60s. No rainfall was recorded. Harvesting expanded in central Arizona and the Safford Valley. Some gins experienced delays, and modules accumulated on gin yards. In New Mexico and El Paso, TX, sunshine and clear skies were abundant throughout the period. Daily temperatures were in the 80s, with nightly lows in the 40s and 50s. No significant amount of rainfall was recorded. Harvesting and ginning expanded.

## 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 higher. Foreign mill inquiries were light.

In the SJV, sunny skies prevailed. Daily temperatures were in the 60s and 70s, with nightly lows in the 40s and 50s. No rain was recorded during the period. Producers are hoping for a wet winter to help replenish soil moisture levels. Optimal weather conditions allowed pickers to run full steam ahead as

harvest season is coming to an end. Modules were trucked to gin yards. Ginning expanded. Sources estimate the crop to be at or a little above average. Yields around 3 bales per acre have been reported.

# <u> American Pima (AP)</u>

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.

Weather conditions throughout the San Joaquin Valley were clear and sunny. Temperatures were in the 60s and 70s, with nighttime lows in the 40s and 50s. No rain was recorded. Producers are hoping for a wet winter to replenish soil moisture levels. Harvesting and ginning continued with yields of around 3 bales per acre being reported. In Arizona, sunny and clear skies dominated the weather pattern during the report period. Daytime highs were in the upper 80s to lower 90s, with nighttime lows ranging from the 40s to 60s. No rainfall was recorded. Harvest and defoliation activities continued. Ginning continued. In New Mexico and El Paso, TX, weather conditions were clear and sunny. Daily temperatures were in the 80s, with nightly lows in the 40s and 50s. No rain was recorded during period. Producers were defoliating and harvesting fields. Ginning commenced on a limited scale.

#### **Trading**

**Desert Southwest** 

No trading activity was reported.

San Joaquin Valley

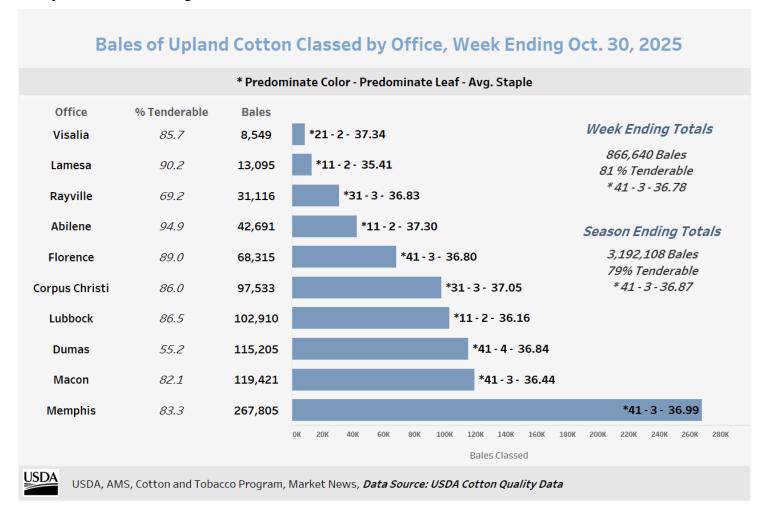
No trading activity was reported.

American Pima

• No trading activity was reported.

# **Cotton Bales Classed by Office**

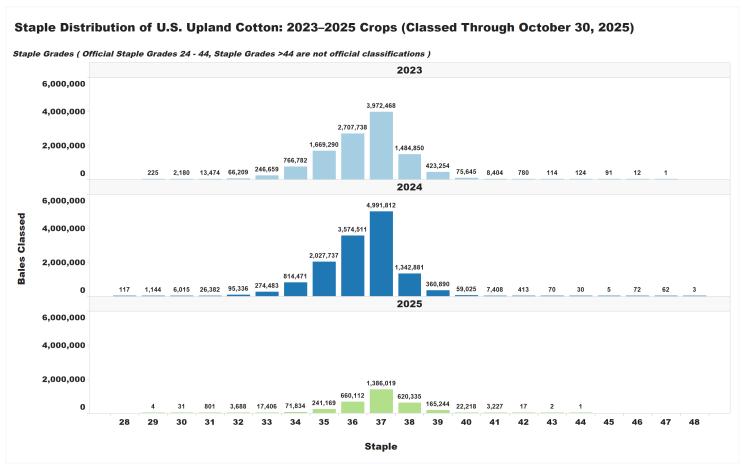
For the week ending October 30, 866,640 bales were classed. All offices are classing cotton. Quality data across all offices for the week was 45.1 percent for color 41, 45.6 percent for leaf 3, staple averaging 36.78, mike averaging 4.53, strength averaging 31.14, and uniformity averaging 81.94. For the entire U.S. upland crop, total classed during the season was 3,192,108 bales.



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# **U.S. Upland Cotton Crop Staple Distribution**

Staple lengths of 40–44, which represent the longest fibers in U.S. Upland cotton, have remained a small but consistent portion of the crop over the past two years. In 2023, 85,171 bales fell into this category, with staple 40 accounting for nearly 89% of the total. The 2024 crop declined to 67,088 bales, continuing the trend of limited long-staple production. As of October 30, 2025, the current crop has 25,465 bales classed in the 40+ staple group, which is up 9,925 bales from last week.



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# **Certified Stocks**

# **Number of Bales in Certificated Stocks**

Delivery Points	Stocks as of 10-30-2025	Awaiting Review	Non-Rain Grown Cotton
Dallas/FT. Worth, TX	11,689	0	0
Galveston, TX	439	0	0
Greenville, SC	0	0	0
Houston, TX	28	0	0
Memphis, TN	1,593	0	0
Total	13,749	0	0

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

# **American Pima Spot Quotations**

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

				AMERICAN I	PIMA SPOT QU	UOTATIONS
Color	Leaf		Staple			
		44	46	48	50	The current Pima spot quotations
1	1	145.75	151.50	153.25	153.25	represent prices from local sales,
	2	145.50	151.25	153.00	153.00	export sales, and offerings last
	3	138.75	146.50	147.50	147.50	reported on July 23, 2025
	4					reported on July 23, 2023
	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	Mike
	4	128.50	136.75	137.75	137.75	Range Diff.
	5					26 & Below -2000
	6					27-29 -1500
3	1	137.25	145.00	146.00	146.00	30-32 -1000
	2	134.75	142.50	143.50	143.50	33-34 -500
	3	132.50	140.25	141.25	141.25	35 & Above 0
	4	123.50	131.25	132.25	132.25	
	5	107.50	114.75	115.75	115.75	
	6					Strength
4	1	118.50	126.25	128.00	128.00	(Grams per Tex)
	2	118.25	126.00	127.25	127.25	Range Diff.
	3	117.00	124.75	125.75	125.75	34.9 & Below -1650
	4	112.00	119.75	120.75	120.75	35.0 – 35.9 -1400
	5	100.75	108.50	109.50	109.50	36.0 – 36.9 –1150
	6					37.0 – 37.9 –800
5	1					38.0 – 38.9 0
	2	95.25	105.25	105.25	105.25	39.0 – 39.9 0
	3	95.25	104.75	105.00	105.00	40.0 & Above 0
	4	95.25	99.25	99.25	99.25	
	5	95.00	99.00	99.00	99.00	Extraneous Matter
	6					Type - Level Diff.
6	1					Prep - Level 1 -810
	2	87.50	90.50	90.50	90.50	Prep - Level 2 -1095
	3	87.50	90.50	90.50	90.50	Other - Level 1 -715
	4	87.50	90.50	90.50	90.50	Other - Level 2 -1035
	5	87.25	90.25	90.25	90.25	Plastic - Level 1 -4000
	6	86.75	89.75	89.75	89.75	Plastic - Level 2 -4000

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