

COTTON WEEKLY EXPORT REPORT

USA Upland and Pima Export Sales and Shipments for Week Ending November 25, 2021

- Net current crop sales were 381,330 running bales. Net current crop PLUS new crop sales were 381,330 running bales.
- Shipments were 73,730 running bales, which was 46% of expected seasonally-adjusted pace.
- Current PLUS new crop sales were up 45% from last week and up 99% from the 4-week average.
- There are 35 weeks remaining in the 2021/22 marketing year.
- To ship the USDA estimate of 15,500,000 (480 lb.) bales for 2021/22 crop, the U.S. should average current year sales of 186,900 running bales per week, and needs to average shipments of 354,200 running bales per week.
- Sales were 200% of the desired weekly average. Shipments were 20% of the needed weekly average.
- Current crop sales were up 77% from last week and up 125% from the 4-week average.

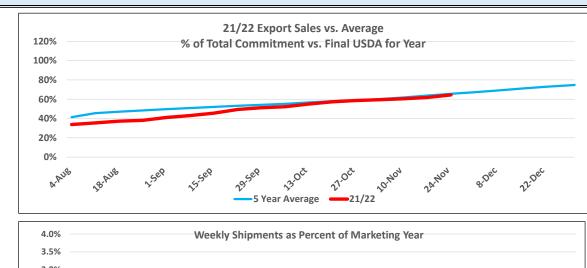
Net sales of current crop cotton were up sharply from recent weeks reflecting continued demand for U.S. cotton. Notable buyers were China with 126,200 bales – more than double their four-week average – and Vietnam with 148,000 bales their biggest week of the marketing year and five times their four-week average. Turkey bought 55,000 bales also double their four-week average; and Pakistan bought 36,500 bales which was their biggest week of the marketing year.

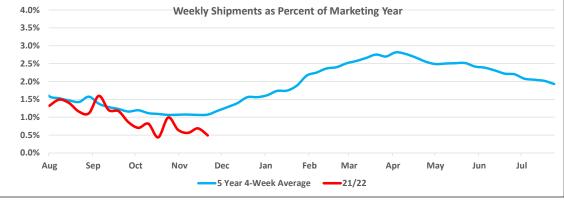
The bad news was shipments which were only 73,700 bales. This is a level expected in September or October in a "normal" year, but rarely seen at the end of November. This is not a demand problem but a supply problem. Looking at beginning stocks on August 1, plus bales classed through November 25th, less domestic consumption for 16 weeks and less export shipments to date shows the maximum available supply for 11/25/2021 was 7 million bales. This same calculation for 2020 showed an available supply of 9.9 million bales, for 2019 12.3 million bales.

This is part of the explanation for the low shipments but nevertheless the problem is how to ship an average of 350,000 bales per week for the remaining 36 weeks. That has only happened twice in history – in 2018 and 2006.

China took about one-third of the shipments with 23,800 bales. Which was only 1% of their outstanding sales.

Cancellations were 2,500 bales including 900 bales of Pima to India.







U.S. Cotton Exports Details

CURRENT MARKETING YEAR							Week # 17 Ending: 11/25/2021		
	Net Current Crop Sales			Net New Crop Sales			Current plus New Crop Sales		
	Pima	Upland	All	Pima	Upland	All	Pima	Upland	All
This Week	6,435	374,896	381,331	ı	ı	ı	6,435	374,896	381,331
This Marketing Year to Date	351,112	9,345,293	9,696,405	3,087	921,946	925,033	354,199	10,267,239	10,621,438
Outstanding Sales	242,151	6,952,582	7,194,733	3,087	921,946	925,033	245,238	7,874,528	8,119,766

	Shipr	480# BS		
	Pima	Upland	All	All
This Week	2,344	71,388	73,732	76,000
This Marketing Year to Date	108,961	2,392,711	2,501,672	2,577,000

USDA Export Estimate (480 lb. Bales)				
	All			
Season	15,500,000			

LAST MARKETING YEAR Week # 17 Ending: 11/26/202								11/26/2020	
	Net Marketing Year Sales			Net Next Year Sales			Current plus Next Crop Sales		
	Pima	Upland	All	Pima	Upland	All	Pima	Upland	All
Last Marketing Year to Date	486,945	9,861,001	10,347,946	700	651,883	652,583	487,645	10,512,884	11,000,529
Outstanding Sales	235,877	5,733,855	5,969,732	700	651,883	652,583	236,577	6,385,738	6,622,315

	Shipr	480# BS		
	Pima	Upland	All	All
Week	27,648	180,818	208,466	
Last Marketing Year to Date	251,068	4,127,146	4,378,214	4,578,900

USDA Export Estimate (480 lb. Bales)				
		All		
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	Season	16,371,000		