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Report Highlights:

Post has revised its MY2001 cotton production estimate to 845,000MT. With increased area under cultivation, MY2002 cotton production is expected to reach 880,000MT. Turkish mills, taking advantage of favorable exchange rates and increased textile exports, are importing larger amounts of foreign cotton, particularly U.S. cotton, to meet increased demand. MY2001 imports are expected to increase by about twenty percent and domestic consumption to reach 1.255MMT.

Includes PSD changes: Yes
Includes Trade Matrix: No
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MY2001 cotton production is now estimated at about 845,000MT. The decrease from previous estimates reflects excessive rains and snow in various parts of the Aegean and Southeast Anatolian regions which prevented farmers from their final picking. MY2000 imports reached 382,878 MT, exceeding early season estimates. MY2001 imports are expected to be even higher, at around 450,000MT. Turkish mills took advantage of low U.S. cotton prices at the beginning of the marketing season and contracted larger than usual amounts of cotton. Cotton imports from the United States are expected to reach 200,000MT, with GSM-102 financing a large portion. Domestic consumption in MY2001 is expected to reach 1.255MMT as Turkish mills take advantage of the lira's favorable exchange rate against major currencies, and increased textile exports.

MY2002 cotton area is projected to increase to 710,000 hectares. Farmers were happy with their overall 2001 returns, despite low local prices at the beginning of the season. Also excessive rains in some regions, including the Hatay area, destroyed wheat fields. Some farmers in these regions are planning to shift production from wheat to cotton. Next year's cotton crop is expected to benefit from higher than usual subsoil moisture and increased availability of irrigation water. MY2002 production is projected to increase to 880,000MT.

Column one in the attached import/export trade matrixes includes official data for the entire MY2000 (August-July) season, while the second column includes officially released data for the first two months of MY2001.

PSD Table						
Country	Turkey					
Commodity	Cotton				(HECTARES)(MT)	
	Revised	1999	Preliminary	2000	Forecast	2001
	Old	New	Old	New	Old	New
Market Year Begin		08/1999		08/2000		08/2001
Area Planted	0	719000	0	654000	0	688000
Area Harvested	719000	719000	654000	654000	700000	688000
Beginning Stocks	129112	129112	180060	180060	209453	190152
Production	791218	791218	783816	780000	881793	845000
Imports	522544	522544	359249	382878	381021	450000
TOTAL SUPPLY	1442874	1442874	1323125	1342938	1472267	1485152
Exports	43545	43545	25039	27786	32659	35000
USE Dom. Consumption	1219269	1219269	1088633	1125000	1197496	1255000
Loss Dom. Consumption	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL Dom. Consumption	1219269	1219269	1088633	1125000	1197496	1255000
Ending Stocks	180060	180060	209453	190152	242112	195152
TOTAL DISTRIBUTION	1442874	1442874	1323125	1342938	1472267	1485152

Import Trade Matrix			
Country	Turkey		
Commodity	Cotton		aug-sep01
Time period	Aug/July	Units:	Metric tons
Imports for:	MY2000	Imports for	1
U.S.	125550	U.S.	29069
Others		Others	
Greece	76328	Greece	25206
Syria	38828	Syria	12760
Turkmenistan	37486	Turkmenistan	6081
Uzbekistan	15145	Azerbaijan	5890
Pakistan	12038	Uzbekistan	3336
Brazil	9053	Brazil	1018
Benin	8744	Benin	780
Egypt	7856	Egypt	717
Azerbaijan	7566	Israel	705
Argentina	6921	Argentina	226
Total for Others	219965		56719
Others not Listed	37363		2148
Grand Total	382878		87936

Export Trade Matrix			
Country	Turkey		
Commodity	Cotton		aug-sep01
Time period	Aug-July	Units:	Metric tons
Exports for:	MY2000	Time period	1
U.S.	104	U.S.	6
Others		Others	
Italy	6915	Italy	590
Mersin Free Region	5572	Netherlands	384
Netherlands	2566	Indonesia	300
Portugal	2110	Mersin Free Region	209
Germany	1943	England	209
South Korea	1219	South Korea	202
Romania	1005	Ukraine	193
India	869	Romania	130
England	858	Portugal	124
Indonesia	700	Germany	92
Total for Others	23757		2433
Others not Listed	3925		482
Grand Total	27786		2921