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Report Highlights:

In MY2019/20, Spanish cotton planted area remained at similar levels compared to MY2018/19. Good weather conditions and low pest incidence are anticipated to result in high cotton yields in the field. Hence, for the second consecutive year, Spanish cotton production will be the highest level in the last ten years.

Disclaimer: This report presents the situation for cotton in Spain. This report contains the views of the authors and does not reflect the official views of the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA). The data is not official USDA data.

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Abbreviations used in this report

- Bales (1 Bale = 217.724 kg =480 lbs)
- EU European Union
- FAS Foreign Agricultural Service
- GE Genetically engineered
- Ha Hectares (1 Ha = 2.471 acres)
- Harmonized Codes for Lint Cotton (HS code): 5201
- MAPA: Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food
- MS EU Member State(s)
- MT Metric ton (1,000 kg)
- MY Marketing year (Aug/Jul)
- N/A Not Available
- PS&D Production, Supply and Demand

General information

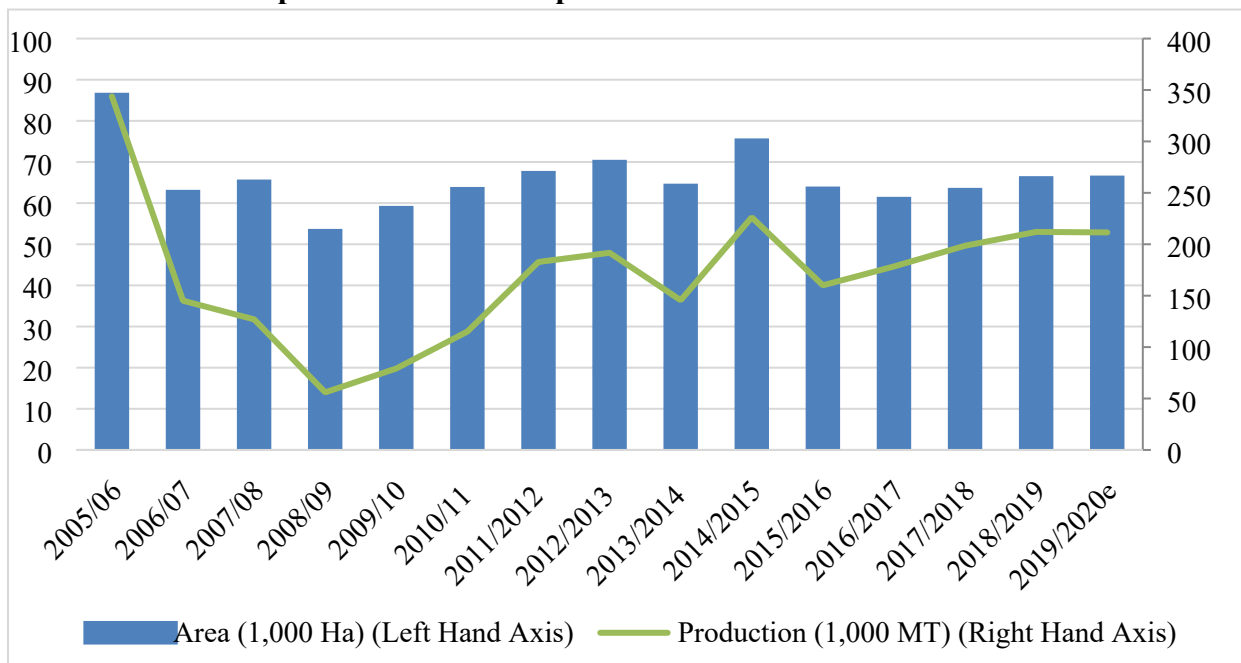
Area and Production

Spain is the EU’s second largest cotton growing Member State after Greece. Spain’s cotton production accounts for just above 20 percent of the EU-28 cotton output.

Cotton planting conditions were good as spring 2019 was extremely dry (See [Cotton and Products – Spain Annual 2019](#)). Nevertheless, enough storage water in dams allowed farmers to plant similar area compared to the previous year.

Cotton crop development was optimal due to the prevailing warm and sunny summer conditions, and the low incidence of pests. Therefore, in MY2019/20, above average yields are anticipated for the second consecutive year.

Graph 1. Evolution of Spain’s Cotton Area and Production

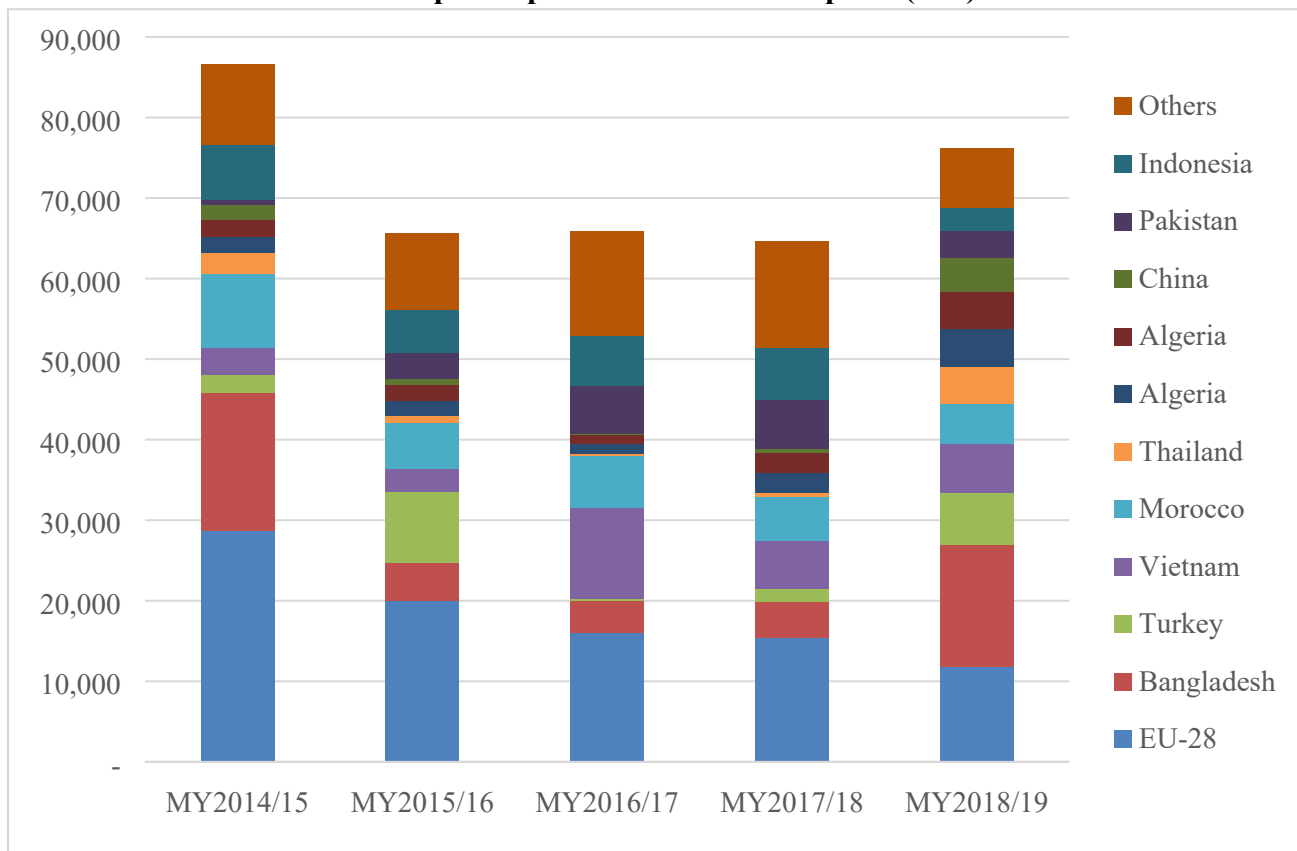


Source: FAS Madrid based on MAPA, Junta de Andalucía data and FAS Madrid estimates.

Consumption and Trade

Industry sources point towards the slowdown in economic activity, in domestic and export markets, as the driver for the weaker demand for cotton lint by the of Spanish textile industry. This has allowed for higher than anticipated exports of cotton lint in MY2018/19 (**Graph 2**).

Graph 2. Spain's Cotton Lint Exports (MT)



Source: Trade Data Monitor, LLC.

Production, Supply and Demand Data Statistics

Table 1. Cotton Lint Production, Supply and Demand

Cotton Market Begin Year Spain	2017/2018		2018/2019		2019/2020	
	Aug 2017		Aug 2018		Aug 2019	
	USDA Official	New Post	USDA Official	New Post	USDA Official	New Post
Area Planted	0	0	0	0	0	0
Area Harvested	63	63	65	65	65	66
Beginning Stocks	26	26	55	57	45	31
Production	294	296	300	316	300	316
Imports	14	14	10	10	15	10
MY Imports from U.S.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Supply	334	336	365	383	360	357
Exports	239	239	280	322	275	299
Use	30	30	40	25	40	25
Loss	10	10	0	5	0	5
Total Dom. Cons.	40	40	40	30	40	30
Ending Stocks	55	57	45	31	45	28
Total Distribution	334	336	365	383	360	357
Stock to Use %	20.45	21.19	14.06	8.93	14.29	8.64
Yield	1016	1023	1005	1058	1005	1042
(1000 HA) ,1000 480 lb. Bales ,(PERCENT) ,(KG/HA)						

Source: FAS Madrid estimates.

Related Reports

Report	Date Released
Cotton and Products – Spain Annual 2019	03/11/2019
Cotton and Products – Spain Annual 2018	03/26/2018

Attachments:

No Attachments.