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**Report Highlights:**

The MY 2011 Turkish cotton crop is reported to be developing well in all of the cotton growing regions. High temperatures and the availability of irrigation water are supporting higher yields. Accordingly, the Turkish cotton crop for the marketing year is expected to reach 650,000 MT. Total imports are expected to remain at about 730,000 MT (3.35 Million bales). Cotton imports during the first eleven months of MY 2010 were 699,000 MT (3.2 million bales), of which 64% was from the United States.

**Post:**  
Ankara

**Commodities:**  
Cotton

## Production

The Turkish cotton crop is developing well under the optimum conditions, including high temperatures and broad availability of irrigation water. Additionally, unlike the previous year, no major bug damage has been reported in cotton growing regions this year. Accordingly, MY 2011 production is now estimated to increase to 650,000 MT.

## Consumption

MY 2010 Turkish cotton consumption is expected to remain at about 1.22 MMT (5.6 million bales). The recent economic turmoil, high world cotton prices and a lack of orders forced some domestic mills to temporary closure or to increase the use of manmade fibers. The sudden increase in cotton prices and then sharp decline in prices a few months later caused some mills to get stuck with relatively high-cost raw materials at a time when export demand was falling.

The Turkish government is looking for ways to support the Turkish textile industry in response to this recent turmoil in the sector. Accordingly, in January the GOT announced it would increase import duties 20 to 30 percent for textiles and garment imports effective July 21, 2011. Additionally, GOT also extended import taxes on cotton yarn of about 12 percent for 200 additional days. The recent devaluation of the Turkish Lira against the major currencies will also help the industry to maintain its export markets.

Despite these setbacks, the Turkish textile and garment industry managed to increase exports in both categories thirty-three and sixteen percent, respectively, during the first five months of CY 2011 compared to the same period the year before. Sources indicate that these increases are due to deliveries of old orders and speculate that export growth will soon stop.

## Trade

During the first eleven months of MY 2010 Turkey imported 699,003 MT (3.2 million bales) of cotton of which 447,979 MT (2 million bales) was U.S. cotton. Total MY 2010 imports are expected to remain at about 730,000 MT but imports are expected to decline to about 550,000 MT (2.5 million bales) due to a significant increase in domestic production and an expected decline in domestic consumption.

While Greece, the CIS countries and India were the traditional suppliers, Brazil and Argentina are emerging as new cotton suppliers for Turkey.

Turkish cotton exports during the same period were about 7,260 MT (33,323 bales), of which about 3,841 MT (17,630 bales) was to Turkish free trade zones, which means that some of this cotton may be imported back into the country. Turkey also exported about 20,000 MT of cotton for medical use.

Cotton (bales) Turkey	2009/2010		2010/2011		2011/2012	
	Market Year Begin: Aug 2009		Market Year Begin: Aug 2010		Market Year Begin: Aug 2011	
	USDA Official	New Post	USDA Official	New Post	USDA Official	New Post
Area Planted	0	280	0	320	0	450
Area Harvested	280	280	320	320	450	450
Beginning Stocks	1,654	1,136	1,928	1,166	1,558	990

Production	1,750	1,745	2,100	2,110	2,900	2,984
Imports	4,394	4,391	3,500	3,350	3,400	2,525
MY Imports from U.S.	0	2,236	0	2,200	0	1,745
Total Supply	7,798	7,272	7,528	6,626	7,858	6,499
Exports	150	46	150	36	150	46
Use	5,800	6,060	5,900	5,600	6,000	5,415
Loss	-80	0	-80	0	-80	0
Total Dom. Cons.	5,720	6,060	5,820	5,600	5,920	5,415
Ending Stocks	1,928	1,166	1,558	990	1,788	1,038
Total Distribution	7,798	7,272	7,528	6,626	7,858	6,499
Stock to Use %	32	0	26	18	29	19
Yield	1,361.	1,357.	1,429.	1,436.	1,403.	1,444.

### PSD Table

Turkey Cotton (HECTARES)(MT)						
	2009	Revised	2010	Estimate	2011	Forecast
	USDA Official [Old]	Post Estimate[New]	USDA Official [Old]	Post Estimate[New]	USDA Official [Old]	Post Estimate[New]
Market Year Begin		Aug-09		Aug-10		11-Aug
Area Planted	280000	280000	320000	320000	450000	450000
Area Harvested	280000	280000	320000	320000	450000	450000
Beginning Stocks	247433	247433	254068	254068	206068	216068
Production	380000	380000	460000	460000	630000	650000
Imports	956682	956682	700000	730000	650000	550000
MY Imp. from U.S.	487236	487236	500000	480000	425000	380000
TOTAL SUPPLY	1584115	1584115	1414068	1444068	1486068	1416068
Exports	10047	10047	8000	8000	10000	10000
USE Dom. Consumption	1320000	1320000	1200000	1220000	1250000	1180000
Loss Dom. Consumption	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL Dom. Consumption	1320000	1320000	1200000	1220000	1250000	1180000
Ending Stocks	254068	254068	206068	216068	226068	226068
TOTAL DISTRIBUTION	1584115	1584115	1414068	1444068	1486068	1416068

<b>Import Trade Matrix</b>			
	<b>Turkey</b>		
<b>Commodity</b>	<b>Cotton</b>	<b>Units:</b>	<b>Metric tons</b>
Time Period	Aug/July		Aug/June
Imports for:	MY 2009		MY 2010
U.S.	487236	U.S.	447,979
Others			
Greece	150805	Greece	87321
Turkmenistan	72266	Turkmenistan	50984
India	61649	India	11135
Uzbekistan	33291	Uzbekistan	16353
Syria	58756	Syria	1988
Brazil	10009	Brazil	27852
Pakistan	9198	Egypt	5101
Azerbaijan	10239	Argentina	6188
Burkina Faso	5563	Burkina Faso	3609
Tajikistan	21006	Tajikistan	21087
Total of Others	432782		231618
Others not listed	36664		19406
Grand Total	956682		699003
<b>Country</b>	<b>Turkey</b>		
<b>Commodity</b>	<b>Cotton</b>	<b>Units:</b>	<b>Bales</b>
Time Period	Aug/July		Aug/June
Imports for:	MY 2009		MY 2010
U.S.	2236413	U.S.	2056223
Others			
Greece	692195	Greece	400803
Turkmenistan	331700	Turkmenistan	234016
India	282968	India	51110
Uzbekistan	152805	Uzbekistan	75060
Syria	269690	Syria	9125
Brazil	45941	Brazil	127840
Pakistan	42218	Egypt	23414
Azerbaijan	46997	Argentina	28403
Burkina Faso	25534	Burkina Faso	16565
Tajikistan	96417	Tajikistan	96789
Total of Others	1986465		1063125
Others not listed	168282		89073

Grand Total	4391170		3208421
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