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This edition of "Cotton Counts Its Customers" contains preliminary estimates of cotton consumption in major end uses during the calendar year 1956.

Estimates are based on statistical data reported in Bureau of the Census, "1954 Census of Manufactures"; Bureau of the Census, "Facts For Industry", 1955 and 1956; and information which the Council staff has obtained from trade associations, private companies, and individuals.

Some of the estimates in this edition of "Cotton Counts Its Customers" are not strictly comparable to those in previous editions because of the incomparability of items included in the "1954 Census of Manufactures" with items included in previous Censuses. These estimates have been footnoted accordingly. Comparable estimates for previous years will be included in an over-all Supplement to "Cotton Counts Its Customers" which will be published later. Final estimates for 1956 will be published in the Supplement covering the 1947-1956 period, or in the 1958 edition of "Cotton Counts Its Customers".

Beginning on page 3, Column 1 represents unit production; Column 2 represents the percent of the market held by cotton; and, Column 3 shows raw cotton consumption in equivalent 478-pound net weight bales. Conversion factors, and some of the end use detail, have been omitted; however, this information can be provided upon request.

All quantity estimates relate to the volume of raw cotton required to produce that quantity of a given article which was manufactured in its final form. Estimates reported in bales have been rounded to the nearest ten.

Comments, additional data, and suggestions for improving future editions of "Cotton Counts Its Customers" will be appreciated.

COTTON CONSUMPTION IN THE TEN LARGEST END USES, 1956 (478-1b. Net Weight Bales)

	1.	Men's and Boys! Shirts	595,000
	2.	Sheets	569,000
	3.	Drapery and Upholstery Fabrics	567,000
	4.	Men's and Boys! Trousers	466,000
	5.	Towels	441,000
	6.	Men's and Boys' Underwear	327,000
	7.	Automobile Uses	310,000
	8.	Dresses	288,000
	9,	Rugs and Carpets	231,000
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SUMMARY OF ESTIMATES FOR 1956 (478-lb. Net Weight Bales)

APPAREL Men's, Youths', and Boys'	1,994,200	
Women's, Misses', and Juniors' Children's and Infants'	989,690 574,600	3,558,490
HOUSEHOLD		2,750,470
INDUSTRIAL		1,873,740
Total Bales Consumed in Uses Included in this Report		8,182,700
Consumed in Uses Not Included in this Report		955,790
Total Domestic Mill Consumption of Raw Cotton		9,138,490
Percent of Consumption Covered by this Report		89.5%

ESTIMATED PRODUCTION, PERCENT COTTON, AND COTTON CONSUMPTION IN APPAREL, HOUSEHOLD, AND INDUSTRIAL USES, 1956 PRELIMINARY

	Item	Col. 1 Production (1,000 Dozen) (a)	Col. 2 Percent Cotton (b)	Col. 3 Cotton Consumption (Bales) (c)
	S, YOUTHS', AND BOYS' WEARING	27.6 557	72	3 994 200
AFT	AREL, TOTAL	216,557	<u>73</u>	1,994,200
1.	BATHING SUITS & TRUNKS	1,683	50 14	8,840
	Knit Woven	154 1,529 (d)	58	8,600
2.	BATHROBES, DRESSING GOWNS, AND			
-•	SMOKING JACKETS	404	<u>42</u>	7,230
3.	COATS AND JACKETS	4,338	26	72,580
	Blanket & Sheeplined, except Leather	1,231	30	25 760
	Mackinaws and Meltons	192	25	25,760 4,810
	Overcoats and Topcoats	490	2	990
	Separate Coats	747	24	9,710
	Jackets, including Leather	1,678	37	31,310
		(1,000 Doz. Pairs)		
4.	GLOVES	24,014	$\frac{77}{29}$	105,040
	Dress and Semi-dress	1,656		2,810
	Work	22,358 (d)	81	102,230
		(1,000 Doz.)		
5.	HANDKERCHIEFS, EXCLUDING IMPORTS	13,068	<u>95</u>	17,640
		(1,000 Doz. Pairs)		
6.	HOSIERY	51,943 (e)	65 65	122,210
	Anklets	4,498		8,870
	Athletic	2,086	22	2,090
	Crew	2,133	65	5,260
	Full-fashioned, half-hose	22	25	20
	Seamless, Half-hose	8,050	70	19,230
	Slack Socks Work	29,044 6,110	63 81	62,450 24,290
		(1,000 Doz.)		
7.	OVERALLS AND COVERALLS	2,324	100	108,400
9425	One-piece Suits	515	99	31,010
	Overall Jackets	562	100	22,630
	Overalls	1,247	100	54,760
8.	PAJAMAS AND NIGHTWEAR, WOVEN	3,594	96	108,640

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APPAREL	USES	(Continued)

	Item	Col. 1 Production (1,000 Doz.) (a)	Col. 2 Percent Cotton (b)	Col. 3 Cotton Consumption (Bales) (c)
9.	RAINWEAR, EXCLUDING PLASTIC	464	78	12,770
10.	SHIRTS Dress	46,606 8,630	9 <u>1</u> 96	594,930 139,850
	Polo, "T", and Basque	10,524	99	140,320
	Sport, Woven	20,628	78	181,370
	Sweat	1,818	97	48,550
	Work	5,006	98	84,840
11.	SUITS	2,137	6	11,150
6200	Summer Weight	525	$1\frac{6}{3}$	4,390
	Winter Weight	1,612	5	6,760
12.	SWEATERS	1,973	<u>7</u>	3,020
13.	TROUSERS	19,429	75	466,240
Carrie II	Dress	7,076	75 30	56,690
	Work, Dungarees and Other	12,353	98	409,550
14.	UNDERWEAR	43,348	95	327,470
	Drawers	12,853	9 <u>5</u> 93	73,680
	Shorts	10,929	93	71,080
	Undershirts	18,161	97	141,680
	Union Suits	1,405	92	41,030
15.	WASHABLE SERVICE APPAREL	1,232	(f)	28,040
	Bakers', Cooks', and Barbers'	400	(<u>f)</u> 96	7,720
	Medical and Hospital	207	94	8,210
	Work Aprons, Industrial	625	#	12,110
WOME WEA	N'S, MISSES', AND JUNIORS' RING APPAREL, TOTAL	225,011	<u>38</u>	989,690
16.	APRONS, SMOCKS, PINAFORES, AND			*
	HOOVERS	2,189	<u>70</u>	22,250
17.	BATHING SUITS	$\frac{1,183}{31}$	46 10	7,620
	Knit			
	Woven	1,152	47	7,570
18.	BATHROBES AND BEACH ROBES	669 (d)	<u>70</u>	28,470
19.	BLOUSES, WAISTS, AND SHIRTS	13,002	<u>61</u>	76,830
20.	COATS AND JACKETS	2,547	<u>9</u> 5	21;340
	Coats	1,909	5	10,080
	Jackets	638 (d)	57	11,260

APPAREL USES (Continued)

	Item	Col, 1 Production (1,000 Doz.) (a)	Col. 2 Percent Cotton (b)	Cotton Consumption (Bales) (c)
21.	DRESSES House Street Other, Knit	21,889 9,260 12,319 310 (d)	53 88 36 10	288,390 161,010 126,220 1,160
22.	FOUNDATION GARMENTS Brassieres and Bandeaus Combinations and One-Piece	20,423 15,469	53 72	68,020 43,470
	Garments	250 (d)	50	2,040
	Corsets and Girdles	2,164	30	10,570
	Garter Belts and Hose Supporters	727	60	4,680
	"Roll-ons", excluding Rubber Surgical and Maternity Corsets	1,786 (d)	35	6,780
	and Combinations	27 (d)	90	480
		(1,000 Doz. Pairs)		
23.	GLOVES AND MITTENS	5,435	60	10,340
	Dress and Semi-dress	3,096	60 32	3,260
	Work	2,339	91	7,080
		(1,000 Doz.)	22	
24.	HANDKERCHIEFS, EXCLUDING IMPORTS	7,850	<u>86</u>	4,230
		(1,000 Doz. Pairs)		
25.	HOSIERY	71,392 (e)	8 <u>9</u>	25,590
	Anklets	11,488	81	21,330
	Full-fashioned	43,586		4-000
	Seamless, including Ribbed	16,318	6	4,260
26.	HOUSECOATS, INCLUDING BREAKFAST	(1,000 Doz.)		
1,000 mg	AND BRUNCH COATS	997 (d)	<u>60</u>	13,310
27.	NEGLIGEES AND BEDJACKETS, WOVEN	310 103	$\frac{25}{21}$	1,030
	Bedjackets			220
	Negligees	207 (d)	26	810
28.	NIGHTGOWNS, PAJAMAS, AND OTHER	g. 011	62	100.000
	NIGHTWEAR Nightgowns, Woven	$\frac{7:811}{2:952}$	63 81	100,090 41,790
	Pajamas, Woven	2,511	82	52,060
	Other Nightwear, Knit	2,348	14	6,240
29.	OVERALLS AND COVERALLS	17 (d)	98	570
30.	RAINWEAR, INCLUDING PLASTIC	459 (d)	27	7,790

APPAREL USES (Continued)

	Item	Col. 1 Production (1,000 Doz.) (a)	Col. 2 Percent Cotton (b)	Cotton Consumption (Bales) (c)
31.	SPORTSWEAR Playsuits, Sunsuits, Shorts,	7,925	88	114,030
	and Halters Polo, "T", Basque, and Other	4,246 (d)	96	71,260
	Knit Shirts Slacks and Slack Suits	2,563 1,116	98 55	28,320 14,450
32.	SUITS AND SKIRTS	8,383 7,319	<u>31</u> 41	69,840 66,660
	Skirts Suits	1,064	5	3,180
33.	SWEATERS AND JERSEYS	5,721	4	5,260
34.	UNDERWEAR Slips and Petticoats	45,557 15,011	2 <u>4</u> 34	101;430 58;740
	Union Suits	170	80	2,480
	Vests, Panties and Bloomers	30,376	16	40,210
35.	WASHABLE SERVICE APPAREL Nurses' Uniforms	$\frac{1,252}{651}$	75 68	23,260 12,310
	Other	601	84	10,950
	DREN'S AND INFANTS! WEARING	104,188	<u>73</u>	574,600
36.	BATHING SUITS AND TRUNKS	799 145	57 26	2,980
	Knit Woven	654 (d)	65	2,710
37.	BATHROBES AND BEACH ROBES	301	75	7,600
38.	BLOUSES, WAISTS, AND SHIRTS	2,846 (d)	78	12,850
39.	COATS, LEGGINGS, LEGGING SETS, JACKETS, SKI AND SNOW SUITS			
	AND PANTS Coats	1,961	15 5	$\frac{9,950}{2,050}$
	Coats, Leggings, and	003		2,000
	Legging Sets	109	9	700
	Jackets	603	73	5,950
	Ski and Snow Suits and Pants	446	13	1,250
40.	DIAPERS, EXCLUDING PAPER AND NON-WOVEN FABRICS	12,555	100	68,830
41.	DRESSES, DOZEN PRICE AND UNIT	ne o		
	PRICE	10,761 (d)	83	93,150

APPAREL	USES	(Continued)	

		Col. 1 Production	Col. 2 Percent	Cotton
	Item	(1,000 Doz.	Cotton	Consumption
		Pairs) (a)	(b)	(Bales) (c)
42.	GLOVES AND MITTENS	929	15	370
43.	HOSIERY	22,075 (e)	80	29,990
	Anklets	13,824	85	17,370
	Children's, 5/8 - 7/8	1,763	61	2,450
	Golf Hose, Boys'	120	90	410
	Ribbed Hose, Infants'	105	88	. 80
	Socks	6,263	78	9,680
		(1,000 Doz.)		
44.	INFANTS' WEAR, MISCELLANEOUS	794	53	1,950
45.	PAJAMAS AND OTHER NIGHTWEAR	5,202	97	76,880
W. Grand	Nightgowns, Woven	1,088 (d)	96	6,680
	Nightwear, Knit	2,345	98	40,430
	Pajamas, Woven	1,768	90	29,770
46.	OVERALLS, COVERALLS, AND			
	DUNGAREES	5,228	97	57,980
	Knit	1,240	95	13,740
	Woven (Principally Dungarees)	3,988 (d)	97	44,240
47.	RAINWEAR	103	<u>40</u>	600
48.	SPORTSWEAR	12,242	89	102,290
	Playsuits, Sunsuits, and Shorts Polo, "T", Basque, Sweat and	5,426 (d)	87 (d)	62,720
	Other Knit Shirts	5,413	99	29,080
	Slacks and Slack Suits	1,403	74	10,490
49.	SUITS AND SKIRTS	2,474	53	14,290
	Skirts	1,199	5 <u>3</u> 46	5,170
	Suits	350	26	1,740
	Wash Suits	925	80	7,380
50.	SWEATERS, JERSEYS, AND PULLOVERS	2,419	12	3,380
51.	UNDERWEAR	23,499	60	91,510
	Vests, Panties and Bloomers	16,061	60 56 (a)	58,080
	Slips and Gertrudes, Woven	3,596	53 (d)	13,330
	Union Suits	10	99	100
	Shirts and Bands, Knit	3,832	92	20,000
ious	EHOLD USES, TOTAL		60	2,750,470
52.	BEDSPREADS, EXCLUDING TAILORED		94	170,360
		(1,000 Lbs.)	1.00	
	Tufted	42,894 (1,000 Sq.	97	102,740
	Marrow	Yds,)	0.7	67 600
	Woven	65,904	91	67,620

HOUSEHOLD	USES	(Continued)

	Item	Col. 1 Production (1,000 Sq. Yds.) (a)	Col, 2 Percent Cotton (b)	Col. 3 Cotton Consumption (Bales) (c)
53.	BED TICKING	88,330	80	72,590
54,	BLANKETS AND BLANKETING Bed Crib	$\frac{213,185}{190,750}$ (d) $22,435$	33 26 99	95,900 67,750 28,150
55.	COMFORTERS AND QUILTS	(1,000 Lbs.) 10,212	<u>26</u>	6,500
56.	CURTAINS Lace Other, Window Shower	(1,000 Pairs) 76,602 6,270 (d) 63,654 (d) 6,678 (d)	26 90 27 8 (d)	42,600 7,740 31,840 3,020
		(1,000 Sq. Yds.)		
57.	DRAPERY, UPHOLSTERY, AND SLIP COVER FABRICS, NOT ELSEWHERE CLASSIFIED, EXCLUDING COATED FABRICS	567,634	<u>65</u>	567,430
58.	LACES, INCLUDING TABLE CLOTHS	(1,000 Lbs.)		
50.	AND SCARFS	4,337	<u>78</u>	9,990
		(1,000 Sq. Yds.)		
59.	MATTRESS COVERS	17,936 (d)	95	14,850
60.	OIL CLOTH	34,247	100	20,020
61,	PADS, QUILTED, EXCLUDING FILLING	35,809 (d)	<u>97</u>	21,250
62.	PILLOW CASES	122,154	100	99,730
63,	RETAIL PIECE GOODS	550,000	<u>58</u>	192,980
64.	RUGS AND CARPETS, EXCLUDING PUNCHED FELT Tufted Woven	158,557 83,357 75,200	19 32 10	231,410 163,610 67,800
65.	SHEETS, WOVEN	695,614	100	569,380
66,	SLIP COVERS, FURNITURE	59,224 (d)	70 (d)	56,650
67.	STAMPED ART (FOR EMBROIDERY)	(1,000 Lbs.) 2,878	89	6,720

HOUSEHOLD	USES	(Continued)

		<u>Col. 1</u>	Col. 2	Col. 3
	T	Dundanski su	Percent	Cotton
	Item	Production (a)	Cotton (b)	(Bales) (c)
68.	TABLE CLOTHS AND NAPKINS			
COUE.	EXCLUDING LINEN		89	66,550
		(1,000 Sq.	_	
		Yds.)		
	Damask	16,740	95	15,450
		(1,000 Lin.		
		Yds,)		e2 200
	Other than Damask	51,049	87	51,100
		(1,000 Lbs.)		
69.	THREAD FOR HOME USE	13,446 (g)	99	40,760
70.	TOWELS AND TOWELING		94	440,590
7.500.07	Knit	3,477	100	9,290
		(1,000 Sq.		
		Yds.)		
	Woven	310,001	94	431,300
71.	VACUUM CLEANER BAGS, EXCLUDING			
	PAPER	3,100	<u>45</u>	1,810
72.	WINDOW SHADES	93,780 (d)	<u>57</u>	22,400
INDU	STRIAL USES, TOTAL		<u>(f)</u>	1,872,650
		(1,000 Sq.		
73.	ABRASIVES	Yds.) 107,581	(f)	38,300
13.	Buffing and Polishing Wheels	24,318	*	15,750
	Coated Abrasives	83,263	30	22,550
74.	AUTOMOBILE USES		13	310,110
	Covers, Seat	123,619	$\frac{13}{12}$	29,420
		(1,000 Lin.		•
		Yds.)		•
	Lining and Upholstery	184,089	44	146,780
	m'	(1,000 Lbs.)	-	304 550
	Tire Cord & Tire Cord Fabric	449,247	7	124,750
		(1,000 Sq. Yds.)		
	Tops, Convertible	9,217	97	9,160
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75.	AWNINGS	42,517	98	62,660
		(1,000 Lin.		
75	BAGS	Yds.)	*	188,480
76.	Feed	293,400 (h) 83,000	*	52,010
	Flour	107,700	*	58,670
	All Other	102,700	*	77,800

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INDUSTRIAL	USES	(Continued)

	Item	Col. 1 Production (1,000 Lbs.) (a)	Col. 2 Percent Cotton (b)	Cotton Consumption (Bales) (c)
77.	BELTS, MACHINERY, EXCLUDING WEIGHT OF RUBBER	64,678	<u>68</u>	107,590
78.	BOOK BINDINGS	(1,000 Sq. Yds.) 43,644	*	27,530
79.	CARRIAGES, BABY	2,925	91	1,440
80.	CASKETS	33,951 (i)	54	10,610
81,	CHEESE COVERINGS	20,277	65	1,640
82.	CORDAGE AND TWINE	(1,000 Lbs.) 352,492	12	102,910
83.	FILTER CLOTH	(1,000 Sq. Yds.) 4,844	*	11,940
84.	FISHING SUPPLIES	(1,000 Lbs.) 11,163	<u>74</u>	19,750
85.	FLAGS	(1,000 Sq. Yds.) 6,218	*	4,980
86.	FRICTION TAPE	23,206	81	10,510
87.	HOSE, TEXTILE CONTENT ONLY	(1,000 Lbs.) 26,189	<u>69</u>	44,430
88.	INDUSTRIAL THREAD	59,838 (g)	93	171,730
89,	INSULATION, ELECTRICAL	41,762	*	102,790
		(1,000 Sq. Yds.)		
90.	LABELS, WOVEN	3,383	<u>35</u>	930
91.	LAUNDRY AND DRY CLEANING EQUIP- MENT AND SUPPLIES Flatwork Ironer Material Press Material Wash Nets	(1,000 Lbs.) 71,039 30,388 35,797 4,854	47 44 49 30	79,290 31,760 43,940 3,590
92.	LUGGAGE Coverings Linings	39,443 29,667 9,776	25 26 20	23,790 18,980 4,810

INDUSTRIAL USES (Continued)

Item Industrial US		Col. 1 Production (1,000 Sq. Yds.) (a)	Col. 2 Percent Cotton (b)	Col. 3 Cotton Consumption (Bales) (c)
93.	MAIL BAGS, U. S. GOVERNMENT	1,163	100	2,980
94.	MATTRESS AND BOX SPRING FELTS	(1,000 Lbs.) 281,578	1	6,200
95.	MEAT STOCKINETTES	11,292	*	28,630
96.	MEDICAL SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT Adhesive Tapes and Plasters Bandages, Gauzes, and Sponges Sanitary Napkins	(1,000 Sq. Yds.) 772,185 18,763 447,865 305,557	(<u>f)</u> * 100 *	118,780 8,730 73,420 36,630
97.	PAPER FELTS AND PAPER MAKERS' FELTS	(1,000 Lbs.) 11,821	<u>34</u>	9,890
98.	PICK SACKS, COTTON RIBBONS FOR OFFICE MACHINES	(1,000 Sq. Yds.) 10,874 3,839	100 90	14,420 1,870
100.	SATURATED WOVEN FABRICS, ASPHALT	12,576	*	7,350
101.	SHOES Leather and Fabric Rubber	(1,000 Lbs.) 220,309 205,421 14,888	(<u>f)</u> 26 *	164,260 129,550 34,710
102,	SPORTING GOODS, TEXTILE CONTENT ONLY	2,458	80	4,880
103.	TARPAULINS, INCLUDING MILITARY PURCHASES	(1,000 Sq. Yds.)	*	65,610
104.	TENTS, INCLUDING MILITARY PURCHASES	44,740	100	57,760
105.	TOBACCO CLOTH	67,881	100	8,140
106.	TRACING CLOTH	8,515	*	3,670
107.	UMBRELLAS	6,581	46	1,610

INDUSTRIAL USES (Continued) Col. 1 Col. 2 Col. Production Cotton Percent Item (1,000 Sq. Cotton Consumption Yds.) (a) (b) (Bales) (c) 7,000 108. VENETIAN BLIND TAPE 8,856 65 27,350 109. WIPING CLOTH, INDUSTRIAL 35,584 90 20,840 13,207 97 110. ZIPPER TAPE

FOOTNOTES

- (a) Production estimates based on data reported in Bureau of the Census, "Census of Manufactures, 1954"; "Facts For Industry", 1955 and 1956; and trade information.
- (b) Estimated ratio of cotton fiber to all other fibers and materials consumed.
- (c) 478-pound net weight bales, equivalent raw cotton.
- (d) Estimate for 1956 is not strictly comparable to preliminary 1954 and preliminary 1955 estimates. Revisions for 1947-1955 period will be reported in "Cotton Counts Its Customers", Supplement IV.
- (e) National Association of Hosiery Manufacturers.
- (f) Not available.
- (g) Thread Institute.
- (h) Textile Bag Manufacturers Association.
- (i) Casket Manufacturers Association of America.
 - * Represents only cotton's share of the market. Sufficient data are not available to estimate total market.

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