United States Cotton Statistics

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National Agricultural Statistics Service

To provide timely, accurate, and useful statistics in service to U.S. agriculture.

National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS)

- Production data on more than 120 crops and 40 livestock commodities
- Price, sale, expense data for $200 billion in agricultural products
- Environmental data related to 938 million acres
- Demographics on 3 million farm operators and 6.6 million household members

Cotton Estimates/Forecasts

- Acreage
- Production (Yield)
- Ginnings
- Prices Received

Cotton Estimates/Forecasts

March - Prospective Plantings
June – Planted Acreage
August through January – Harvested Acres, Yield, Production
August through March – Ginnings
May – Final Stats for Previous Year Crop
(Monthly – Prices Received)

Sources of Information

- Farm Operators
- Objective Measures
- Ginners
- Buyers
- Administrative (i.e. Boll Weevil Eradication)
Data Collection

- Random Sample
- Voluntary
- Mail, Telephone, & Personal Interviews

U.S. Cotton States

Objective Yield

Agricultural Statistics Board Calendar

November 2005

Lock Up

Protecting the integrity of the markets

Signing NASS Report in the lockup facility

Mike Johanns, Secretary of Agriculture
NASS Website

www.nass.usda.gov