

2021 Cotton Ginnings Report

- Project code: **131** – Cotton Ginnings Survey
- Questionnaires:
 - Mailed around the 10th and 25th each month.
 - Online reporting available
- Sample:
 - All active gins in the 17 cotton-producing states
- Release:
 - Thirteen semi-monthly *Cotton Ginnings* reports published around the 12th and 25th of each month
 - End-of-season release around March 12th
 - Also an *Annual Cotton Ginnings Summary* released in May 2022

General Cotton Ginning Info:

- 2020 acres harvested:
 - Upland: 8,507,000
 - Pima: 194,500
- 2020 production:
 - 14,193,000 bales ginned

Survey: This is a short but recurring survey that begins in August and gathers data every two weeks during the ginning season. Respondents will be asked how many bales they have ginned thus far, and how many bales they expect to gin through the rest of the seasons. Prices for cottonseed will be asked in select months. Contacts will be primarily businesses rather than individual farmers. Response rates are generally quite good, with a significant portion of respondents faxing in their surveys.

Watch for:

Large numbers of bales ginned – confirm any unusual amounts with the respondent.

More bales of Pima being reported than Upland – around 95% of US cotton production is of the Upland variety.

'Bales' should be referring to 480 pound bales. (If respondent reports a different bale weight, leave a note on the record)

Cottonseed prices should be reported in dollars per ton. (If respondent reports in a different unit leave that in a note)