

Cotton Tobacco

FREQUENTLY ASKED MARKET NEWS QUESTIONS

- Requests for historical cotton quality reports and data.**
Historical cotton quality reports for nearby years can be found at My Market News under the Search Market News Database and the Search Previous Reports. Historical cotton quality data for years not available in My Market News for Upland and American Pima are available by e-mail or can be prepared on a CD by contacting Cotton Market News. Links are also available through the AMS Cotton & Tobacco Market News website.
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- How many years of historical data is available in My Market News (MMN)?**
Some reports are available from 2007 to current. Other reports are available from 2019 to current.
- Can I get reports emailed to me?**
Cotton Market News maintains distribution lists to e-mail the daily, weekly, monthly, and annual reports. Identify which reports you want to receive in your inbox and send your request and e-mail address to CottonMN@usda.gov. You also can become a registered user in My Market News and subscribe to the reports, which will be delivered to you through govdelivery.
- Request for forward contracting data.**
*The report can be found on the My Market News Portal through the report search feature by entering the search terms “forward contracting” or using the slug ID 1613. Forward Contracting is traditionally located in the **Weekly Cotton Market Review**, published the first week of each month. The AMS Cotton & Tobacco Market News website also contains information.*
- What does Loan PD mean on the Daily quality report?**
The Loan PD is the loan premiums or discounts in points for the average of the bales reported.



Daily Cotton Quality Summary by Classing Office for Cotton Classed On 09/20/2020
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Upland

Classing Office	Bales	[-----Predominate-----]			[-----Average-----]							[-----Percent-----]			Number of Gins		
		Color	%	Leaf	%	Leaf	Mike	Staple	Length	Strength	Uniformity	Trash	Loan P.D.	Bark		Grass	Tenderable
Abilene																	
Corpus Christi	2,735	31	40.1	3	59.0	3.10	4.51	36.97	1.16	32.04	82.00	0.38	321	0.0	0.0	91.3	11

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- **What does the percent Tenderable & Eligible on the Weekly quality report mean?**

Tenderable: Cotton that meets the quality requirements to be delivered against an ICE Cotton Futures Contract. **Eligible:** Cotton that meets the requirements to be electronically registered for delivery against an ICE Cotton Futures Contract based on Smith-Doxey classification.



Quality of Cotton Classed by Classing Office for the week ending - 9/17/2020

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Classing Office	Gins	Week		Bales	Gins	Season		Bales
		Tenderable (%)	Eligible (%)			Tenderable (%)	Eligible (%)	
<i>UPLAND</i>								
Abilene	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Corpus Christi	40	90.8	79.3	129,645	44	93.1	84.7	582,900

The current tenderable qualities are:

White Grades 11, 21, 31, 41, 51 and Light-Spotted Grades 12, 22, 32

- Leaf Grades 1-5 are deliverable for white graded cotton
- Leaf Grades 1-3 are deliverable for light-spotted graded cotton
- Other Grades are not deliverable
- Staple 33 and longer
- Strength not less than 25 grams-per-tex
- Micronaire not less than 3.5 or more than 4.9

The current qualities that are eligible for registration under Smith-Doxey:

- Color 11, 21, 31, 41, or 51
- Leaf 4, 3, 2, or 1
- Micronaire 3.6 to 4.8, inclusive
- Strength 27 grams per tex or higher
- Fiber length 1.03 DIG or longer

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