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The Office of Textiles and Apparel reported today that imports of cotton, wool, man-made fiber, silk blends, and non-cotton vegetable fiber textile and apparel products totaled 4,481.5 million square meter equivalents (MSME) in March 2017, an increase of 6.0 percent compared to March 2016. Imports of textiles were 2,548.1 MSME in March 2017, up 4.6 percent from March 2016. Imports of apparel were 1,933.4 MSME in March 2017, up 7.9 percent from March 2016.

Imports of textiles and apparel were 14,670.8 MSME for the year-to-date March 2017, an increase of 1.2 percent from year-to-date March 2016. Imports of textiles were 8,231.3 MSME for the year-to-date March 2017, an increase of 0.9 percent from the year-to-date March 2016. Apparel imports for the year-to-date March 2017 were 6,439.5 MSME, up 1.5 percent from the year-to-date March 2016.

**U.S. GENERAL IMPORTS OF COTTON, WOOL
MAN-MADE FIBER, SILK BLEND AND NON-COTTON
VEGETABLE FIBER TEXTILES AND APPAREL
DATA IN MILLION SME**

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March 2017

TOTAL (TEXTILE AND APPAREL IMPORTS)

1.	a.	March Imports	4,481.5
	b.	Percent change: Same month, previous year	+6.0
2.	a.	Year-to-Date Imports	14,670.8
	b.	Percent change: Previous calendar year.....	+1.2
3.	a.	Year Ending Imports.....	63,088.1
	b.	Percent change: Previous year ending.....	- 0.6

TEXTILE IMPORTS (YARN, FABRICS, MADE-UP AND MISC.)

1.	a.	March Imports	2,548.1
	b.	Percent change: Same month, previous year	+4.6
2.	a.	Year-to-Date Imports	8,231.3
	b.	Percent change: Previous calendar year.....	+0.9
3.	a.	Year Ending Imports.....	36,065.3
	b.	Percent change: Previous year ending.....	- 0.4

APPAREL IMPORTS

1.	a.	March Imports	1,933.4
	b.	Percent change: Same month, previous year	+7.9
2.	a.	Year-to-Date Imports	6,439.5
	b.	Percent change: Previous calendar year.....	+1.5
3.	a.	Year Ending Imports.....	27,022.8
	b.	Percent change: Previous year ending.....	- 0.8

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UNITED STATES GENERAL IMPORTS OF COTTON, WOOL, MAN-MADE FIBER, VEGETABLE FIBERS EXCEPT COTTON AND SILK BLEND TEXTILES

(MILLION SQUARE METERS EQUIVALENT)

	Calendar Years			Mar.			Jan.-Mar.			YE-Mar.		
	2015	2016	CHANGE	2016	2017	CHANGE	2016	2017	CHANGE	2016	2017	CHANGE
MULTIPLE FIBERS												
TOTAL TRADE	63,523.9	62,917.2	-1.0	4,227.9	4,481.5	6.0	14,500.0	14,670.8	1.2	63,466.1	63,088.1	-0.6
YARN	3,151.8	2,987.5	-5.2	276.0	269.9	-2.2	764.2	770.5	0.8	3,131.9	2,993.9	-4.4
FABRICS	11,988.4	12,622.9	5.3	914.6	909.5	-0.6	2,942.1	2,937.6	-0.2	12,083.0	12,618.4	4.4
MADE-UP AND MISC	21,168.0	20,379.7	-3.7	1,246.2	1,368.7	9.8	4,449.9	4,523.2	1.6	20,999.2	20,453.0	-2.6
NON-APPAREL TOTAL	36,308.2	35,990.2	-0.9	2,436.8	2,548.1	4.6	8,156.3	8,231.3	0.9	36,214.1	36,065.3	-0.4
APPAREL	27,215.7	26,927.0	-1.1	1,791.0	1,933.4	7.9	6,343.7	6,439.5	1.5	27,252.0	27,022.8	-0.8
Top Ten												
China	30,868.4	30,138.1	-2.4	1,391.1	1,586.4	14.0	6,305.0	6,394.5	1.4	30,536.1	30,227.5	-1.0
India	4,564.2	4,829.4	5.8	442.5	470.3	6.3	1,199.6	1,296.3	8.1	4,614.1	4,926.1	6.8
Vietnam	4,368.6	4,479.1	2.5	309.4	344.2	11.3	1,069.4	1,144.5	7.0	4,404.6	4,554.1	3.4
Pakistan	2,642.1	2,480.0	-6.1	214.5	222.0	3.5	619.4	637.2	2.9	2,639.6	2,497.8	-5.4
Bangladesh	2,196.4	2,195.0	-0.1	219.3	219.6	0.2	621.7	635.8	2.3	2,245.9	2,209.2	-1.6
Mexico	2,367.8	2,424.8	2.4	207.3	218.9	5.6	573.8	600.6	4.7	2,347.7	2,451.6	4.4
Indonesia	1,767.0	1,733.7	-1.9	157.9	157.6	-0.2	474.9	453.9	-4.4	1,784.5	1,712.8	-4.0
Korea, South	1,473.8	1,547.6	5.0	141.8	141.3	-0.4	378.5	384.3	1.5	1,501.9	1,553.4	3.4
Honduras	1,142.1	1,113.5	-2.5	90.5	102.8	13.6	239.6	251.3	4.8	1,117.4	1,125.2	0.7
Canada	1,062.1	1,067.8	0.5	90.9	88.8	-2.3	266.9	251.2	-5.9	1,085.9	1,052.1	-3.1

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(MILLION SQUARE METERS EQUIVALENT)

	Calendar Years			Mar.			Jan.-Mar.			YE-Mar.		
	2015	2016	CHANGE	2016	2017	CHANGE	2016	2017	CHANGE	2016	2017	CHANGE
COTTON												
TOTAL TRADE	19,467.6	18,976.0	-2.5	1,392.7	1,480.3	6.3	4,588.4	4,600.1	0.3	19,428.5	18,987.7	-2.3
YARN	340.3	313.1	-8.0	25.5	27.4	7.6	77.3	72.6	-6.1	337.5	308.4	-8.6
FABRICS	1,356.9	1,385.4	2.1	98.1	99.0	0.9	305.2	326.1	6.9	1,359.3	1,406.4	3.5
MADE-UP AND MISC	5,525.4	5,505.5	-0.4	413.8	453.6	9.6	1,310.6	1,370.1	4.5	5,556.5	5,565.0	0.2
NON-APPAREL TOTAL	7,222.6	7,204.0	-0.3	537.4	580.0	7.9	1,693.0	1,768.9	4.5	7,253.4	7,279.8	0.4
APPAREL	12,245.1	11,772.0	-3.9	855.3	900.3	5.3	2,895.3	2,831.2	-2.2	12,175.1	11,707.9	-3.8
WOOL												
TOTAL TRADE	297.4	269.0	-9.5	13.7	13.5	-1.2	43.6	40.8	-6.4	297.5	266.2	-10.5
YARN	31.8	27.0	-15.1	2.1	2.3	8.7	6.5	6.0	-7.6	30.8	26.5	-14.0
FABRICS	21.5	17.8	-17.0	1.5	1.6	1.6	4.5	4.1	-10.7	21.7	17.3	-20.0
MADE-UP AND MISC	30.4	31.9	5.0	2.6	2.5	-5.4	7.6	7.2	-5.0	31.2	31.5	0.9
NON-APPAREL TOTAL	83.6	76.6	-8.3	6.3	6.3	1.0	18.6	17.3	-7.3	83.7	75.3	-10.0
APPAREL	213.8	192.4	-10.0	7.4	7.2	-3.1	25.0	23.6	-5.7	213.8	190.9	-10.7
MAN-MADE-FIBER												
TOTAL TRADE	42,965.1	42,840.7	-0.3	2,738.8	2,905.9	6.1	9,597.4	9,781.1	1.9	42,895.2	43,024.3	0.3
YARN	2,775.1	2,643.0	-4.8	248.3	240.0	-3.3	679.3	690.9	1.7	2,759.3	2,654.6	-3.8
FABRICS	10,578.6	11,193.0	5.8	813.3	807.2	-0.7	2,625.2	2,601.1	-0.9	10,672.3	11,168.9	4.7
MADE-UP AND MISC	15,164.6	14,352.4	-5.4	780.2	864.8	10.8	2,977.1	3,006.4	1.0	14,917.7	14,381.7	-3.6
NON-APPAREL TOTAL	28,518.3	28,188.4	-1.2	1,841.8	1,912.0	3.8	6,281.6	6,298.4	0.3	28,349.3	28,205.2	-0.5
APPAREL	14,446.9	14,652.3	1.4	897.0	993.9	10.8	3,315.8	3,482.6	5.0	14,545.9	14,819.1	1.9
VEG FB EX COT & SLK B												
TOTAL TRADE	793.7	831.5	4.8	82.7	81.8	-1.0	270.6	248.8	-8.0	844.9	809.8	-4.1
YARN	4.6	4.4	-4.5	0.2	0.3	70.3	1.1	1.1	-2.4	4.3	4.4	1.8
FABRICS	31.4	26.7	-14.9	1.6	1.7	6.2	7.2	6.2	-13.2	29.8	25.8	-13.4
MADE-UP AND MISC	447.7	490.0	9.5	49.6	47.8	-3.6	154.7	139.4	-9.8	493.7	474.8	-3.8
NON-APPAREL TOTAL	483.8	521.2	7.7	51.3	49.7	-3.1	163.0	146.8	-9.9	527.8	505.0	-4.3
APPAREL	309.9	310.4	0.1	31.4	32.1	2.3	107.6	102.1	-5.1	317.1	304.8	-3.9

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