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TEXTILES AND APPAREL IMPORT REPORT

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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 4,792.6 million square meter equivalents (MSME) in March 2019, an increase of 2.7 percent compared to March 2018. Imports of textiles were 2,855.1 MSME in March 2019, up 0.9 percent from March 2018. Imports of apparel were 1,937.5 MSME in March 2019, up 5.5 percent from March 2018.

Imports of textiles and apparel were 16,443.3 MSME for the year-to-date March 2019, an increase of 5.9 percent from year-to-date March 2018. Imports of textiles were 9,629.3 MSME for the year-to-date March 2019, an increase of 6.8 percent from the year-to-date March 2018. Apparel imports for the year-to-date March 2019 were 6,814.0 MSME, up 4.6 percent from the year-to-date March 2018.

**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 2019

TOTAL (TEXTILE AND APPAREL IMPORTS)

1.	a.	March Imports	4,792.6
	b.	Percent change: Same month, previous year	+2.7
2.	a.	Year-to-Date Imports	16,443.3
	b.	Percent change: Previous calendar year	+5.9
3.	a.	Year Ending Imports	69,509.9
	b.	Percent change: Previous year ending	+5.9

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

1.	a.	March Imports	2,855.1
	b.	Percent change: Same month, previous year	+0.9
2.	a.	Year-to-Date Imports	9,629.3
	b.	Percent change: Previous calendar year	+6.8
3.	a.	Year Ending Imports	41,367.2
	b.	Percent change: Previous year ending	+7.4

APPAREL IMPORTS

1.	a.	March Imports	1,937.5
	b.	Percent change: Same month, previous year	+5.5
2.	a.	Year-to-Date Imports	6,814.0
	b.	Percent change: Previous calendar year	+4.6
3.	a.	Year Ending Imports	28,142.7
	b.	Percent change: Previous year ending	+3.6

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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.		
	2017	2018	CHANGE	2018	2019	CHANGE	2018	2019	CHANGE	2018	2019	CHANGE
MULTIPLE FIBERS												
TOTAL TRADE	64,782.5	68,594.3	5.9	4,664.6	4,792.6	2.7	15,527.6	16,443.3	5.9	65,665.6	69,509.9	5.9
YARN	3,074.1	3,597.7	17.0	269.5	314.8	16.8	807.1	940.9	16.6	3,111.3	3,731.5	19.9
FABRICS	12,262.6	13,311.7	8.6	995.1	1,017.6	2.3	3,088.9	3,135.8	1.5	12,431.2	13,358.5	7.5
MADE-UP AND MISC	22,365.1	23,842.1	6.6	1,564.2	1,522.7	-2.7	5,117.5	5,552.6	8.5	22,964.0	24,277.2	5.7
NON-APPAREL TOTAL	37,701.9	40,751.5	8.1	2,828.9	2,855.1	0.9	9,013.6	9,629.3	6.8	38,506.5	41,367.2	7.4
APPAREL	27,080.7	27,842.8	2.8	1,835.7	1,937.5	5.5	6,514.0	6,814.0	4.6	27,159.1	28,142.7	3.6
Top Ten												
China	31,680.4	33,807.7	6.7	1,801.6	1,531.6	-15.0	7,081.7	7,014.8	-0.9	32,368.1	33,740.9	4.2
India	5,163.0	5,558.6	7.7	476.1	571.4	20.0	1,334.7	1,560.0	16.9	5,214.1	5,783.9	10.9
Vietnam	4,822.8	4,949.3	2.6	343.9	383.2	11.4	1,165.6	1,369.7	17.5	4,842.8	5,153.4	6.4
Pakistan	2,520.4	2,572.3	2.1	217.4	243.7	12.1	637.6	698.6	9.6	2,521.1	2,633.3	4.5
Bangladesh	2,237.0	2,311.1	3.3	200.5	231.8	15.6	628.6	667.0	6.1	2,229.7	2,349.4	5.4
Mexico	2,464.2	2,582.9	4.8	220.1	229.8	4.4	609.8	660.5	8.3	2,479.2	2,633.6	6.2
Korea, South	1,592.7	1,901.5	19.4	158.2	192.0	21.4	408.9	535.1	30.9	1,617.7	2,027.7	25.3
Indonesia	1,623.1	1,554.0	-4.3	132.8	146.5	10.4	421.5	428.9	1.8	1,591.0	1,561.4	-1.9
Cambodia	1,009.5	1,139.4	12.9	83.7	108.0	29.1	292.7	314.1	7.3	1,052.4	1,160.7	10.3
Turkey	799.4	889.8	11.3	90.0	95.7	6.4	216.1	253.6	17.3	843.8	927.2	9.9

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.		
	2017	2018	CHANGE	2018	2019	CHANGE	2018	2019	CHANGE	2018	2019	CHANGE
COTTON												
TOTAL TRADE	18,822.8	19,316.6	2.6	1,417.0	1,483.0	4.7	4,661.3	4,805.3	3.1	18,883.5	19,460.6	3.1
YARN	286.8	306.7	6.9	26.0	25.4	-2.3	79.7	69.8	-12.4	294.0	296.8	0.9
FABRICS	1,394.9	1,618.6	16.0	111.0	143.9	29.5	354.0	391.1	10.5	1,423.3	1,655.7	16.3
MADE-UP AND MISC	5,695.6	5,846.9	2.7	470.4	443.1	-5.8	1,408.7	1,443.4	2.5	5,733.4	5,881.6	2.6
NON-APPAREL TOTAL	7,377.2	7,772.1	5.4	607.4	612.4	0.8	1,842.3	1,904.2	3.4	7,450.7	7,834.1	5.1
APPAREL	11,445.6	11,544.5	0.9	809.6	870.7	7.5	2,819.0	2,901.1	2.9	11,432.8	11,626.5	1.7
WOOL												
TOTAL TRADE	240.7	246.7	2.5	13.7	13.9	1.5	42.5	41.5	-2.3	242.4	245.7	1.4
YARN	24.3	25.7	5.7	2.0	2.3	16.9	5.6	6.1	7.8	24.0	26.1	9.0
FABRICS	16.8	18.6	10.3	1.5	1.5	-0.3	4.1	4.3	6.7	16.9	18.8	11.8
MADE-UP AND MISC	31.7	33.6	5.9	2.8	2.6	-5.2	7.8	7.6	-1.9	32.3	33.4	3.6
NON-APPAREL TOTAL	72.9	77.9	6.8	6.3	6.4	3.0	17.5	18.0	3.2	73.1	78.4	7.3
APPAREL	167.8	168.8	0.6	7.4	7.4	0.3	25.0	23.4	-6.2	169.3	167.3	-1.2
MAN-MADE-FIBER												
TOTAL TRADE	44,842.8	48,063.9	7.2	3,153.3	3,191.5	1.2	10,562.1	11,275.4	6.8	45,649.8	48,777.2	6.9
YARN	2,757.6	3,261.6	18.3	241.3	286.7	18.8	721.1	863.9	19.8	2,788.2	3,404.4	22.1
FABRICS	10,824.4	11,643.5	7.6	880.5	870.8	-1.1	2,723.5	2,735.1	0.4	10,963.4	11,655.1	6.3
MADE-UP AND MISC	16,101.7	17,350.7	7.8	1,045.8	1,015.2	-2.9	3,543.7	3,909.4	10.3	16,644.1	17,716.4	6.4
NON-APPAREL TOTAL	29,683.7	32,255.8	8.7	2,167.5	2,172.7	0.2	6,988.3	7,508.4	7.4	30,395.7	32,775.9	7.8
APPAREL	15,159.1	15,808.1	4.3	985.8	1,018.9	3.4	3,573.8	3,766.9	5.4	15,254.0	16,001.2	4.9
VEG FB EX COT & SLK B												
TOTAL TRADE	876.2	967.1	10.4	80.5	104.2	29.3	261.7	321.1	22.7	890.0	1,026.5	15.3
YARN	5.4	3.7	-31.4	0.2	0.4	53.6	0.7	1.1	58.9	5.1	4.1	-18.1
FABRICS	26.5	31.1	17.2	2.1	1.5	-28.1	7.4	5.3	-28.9	27.7	28.9	4.4
MADE-UP AND MISC	536.1	610.9	14.0	45.4	61.8	36.3	157.4	192.2	22.1	554.1	645.7	16.5
NON-APPAREL TOTAL	568.0	645.7	13.7	47.7	63.7	33.6	165.5	198.6	20.0	586.9	678.8	15.7
APPAREL	308.2	321.4	4.3	32.9	40.5	23.2	96.2	122.5	27.3	303.1	347.7	14.7

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