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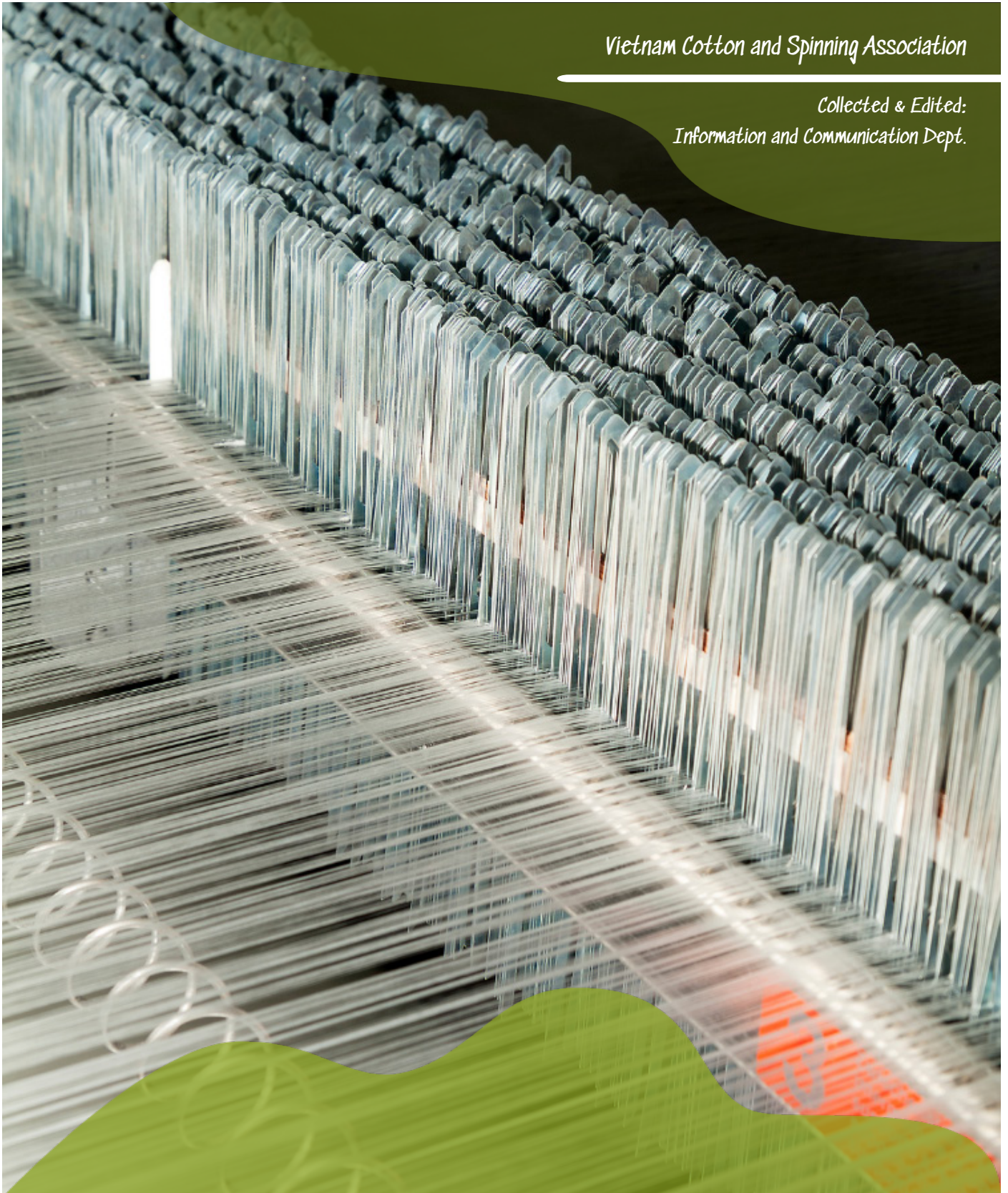
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# MONTHLY REPORT

*Cotton and Yarn Statistic*

*Vietnam Cotton and Spinning Association*

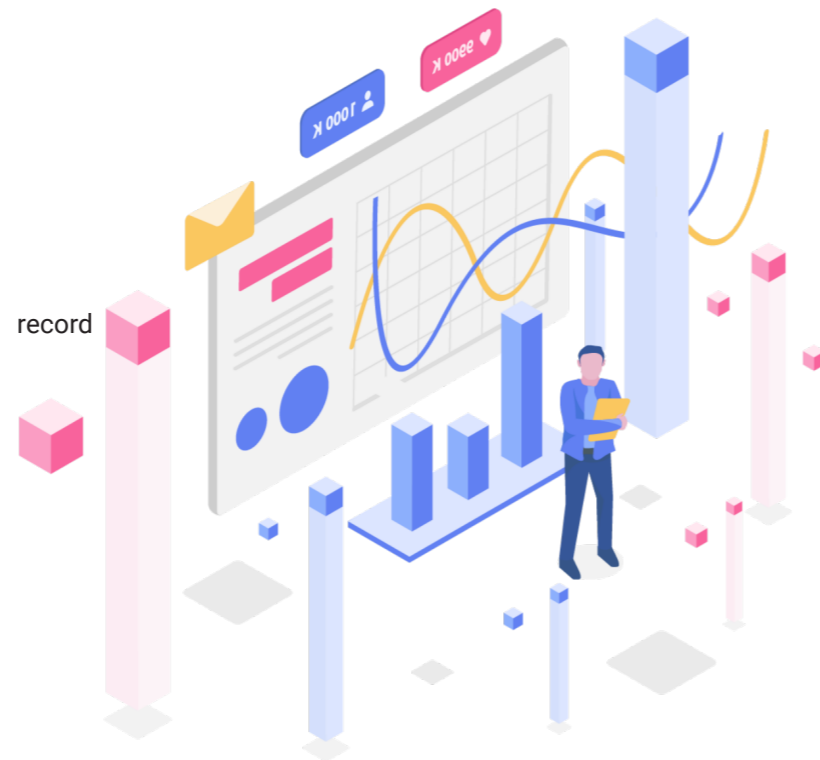
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- ✦ US import tariffs will harm global apparel market.
- ✦ Impact of reciprocal tariffs and how it's reshaping global textile supply chains.



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# REPORT AND DATABASE

## 1. Monthly Import Statistics

Items	Mar-2025		Compared to the previous month (%)		3 months 2025		Compared to the same period last year (%)	
	Qty (1,000 MT)	Value (Mil. USD)	Qty	Value	Qty (1,000 MT)	Value (Mil. USD)	Qty	Value
Cotton								
Fiber & Yarn								
Fabric								
Accessories								
<b>TOTAL</b>								

After a sharp decline in January 2025, Vietnam's textile material imports have recovered strongly since February and continued to grow significantly in March. The total import

turnover in March reached USD 2.53 billion, up 21.9% from February (USD 2.07 billion). In the first quarter of 2025, total import turnover increased by 9.6%

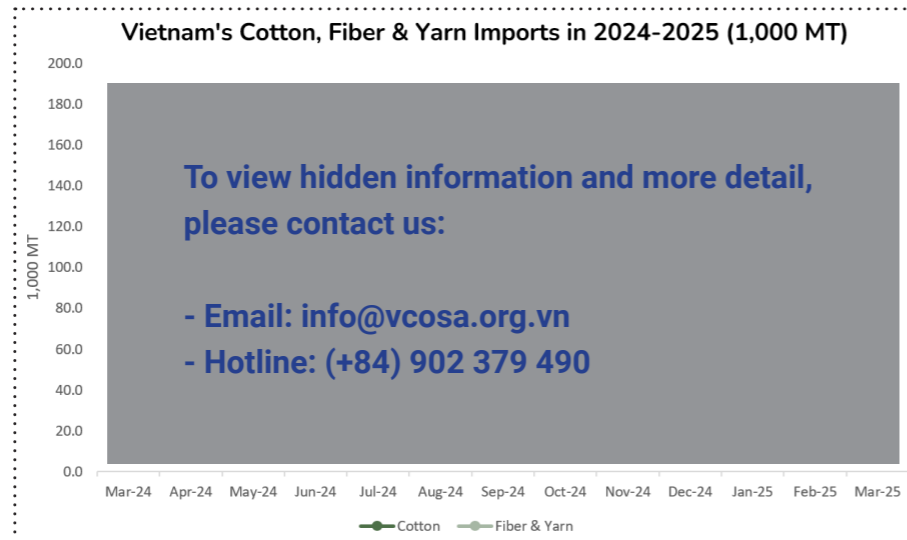
compared to the same period in 2024, exceeding the 8.7% growth recorded in the first two months.

In March 2025, Vietnam imported approximately 153 thousand tons of cotton, down 11.3% from the previous month.

Conversely, imports of fiber and yarn reached 109.6 thousand tons, up 13.4% from February 2025.

During the month, the import turnover of most items in the textile supply chain recorded significant growth compared to the previous month, reflecting positive signals in production activities and expectations of order recovery in the near future:

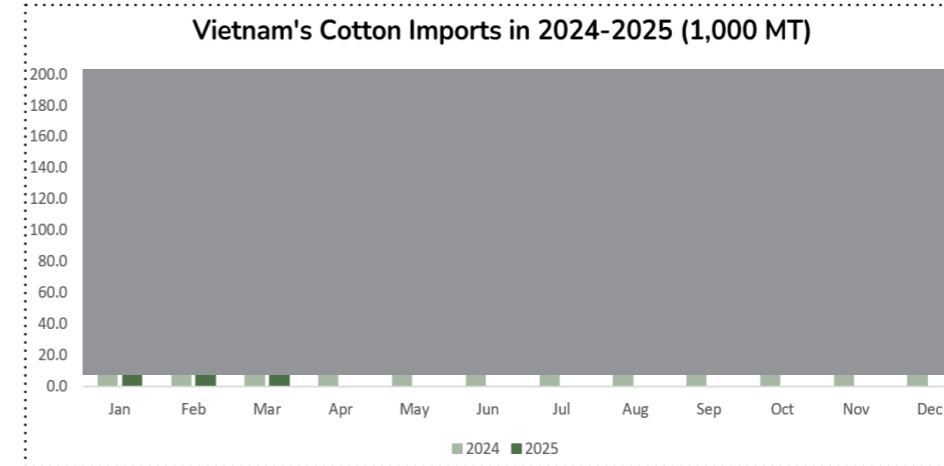
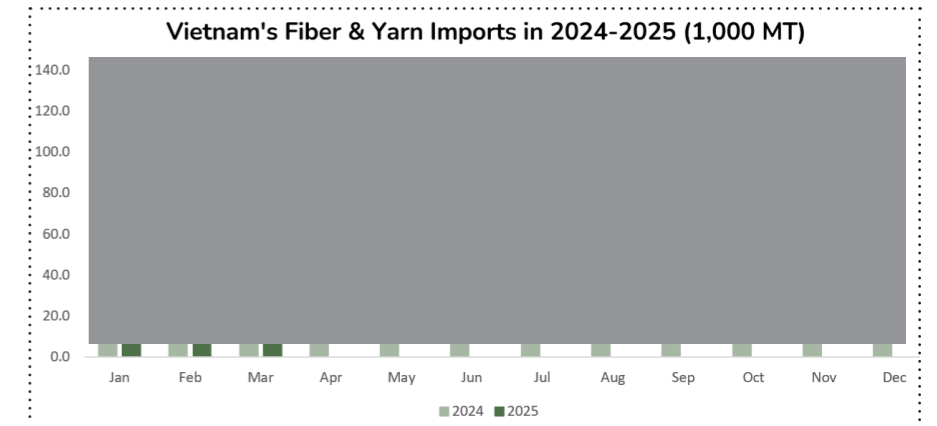
- + Cotton: Import value reached USD 260.6 million, down 13.4% month-on-month, consistent with the 11.3% decrease in import volume.
- + Fiber and yarn: Import value reached USD 244.8 million, up sharply by 15.4%. This growth exceeded the increase in volume (+13.4%), indicating a possible rise in average import prices or a shift in product structure toward higher-value items.
- + Fabrics: This was the strongest-growing category, with import value reaching USD 1.34 billion, up 30.2%.
- + Garment accessories: Reached USD 678.6 million, up 28.3% compared to the previous month. This further supports the view that the garment industry is showing signs of order recovery after a period of stagnation.



Fiber and yarn imports in March 2025 recorded a notable increase, reaching 109.6 thousand tons, up 13.4% from the previous month and 3.9% higher than the same period in 2024 (105.5 thousand tons).

The average import price in March 2025 was USD 2,232 per ton, up 1.7% from February (USD 2,195 per ton) and 6.7% higher than the same period in 2024 (USD 2,092 per ton).

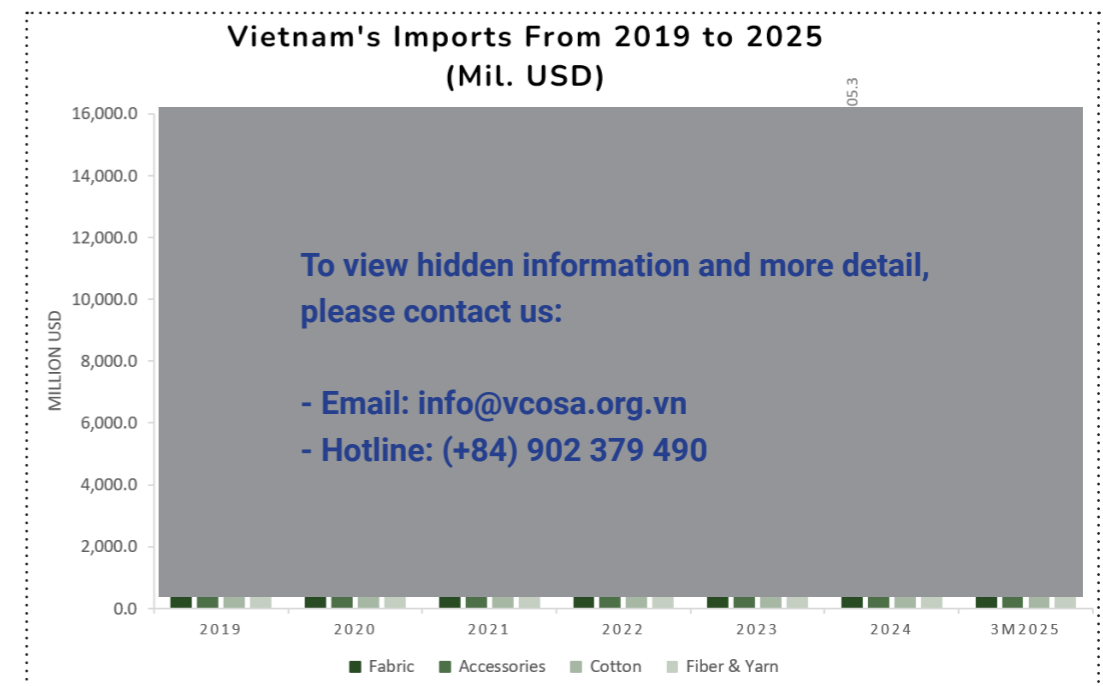
This trend reflects continued recovery in raw material demand for production, while the rising import price indicates ongoing input cost pressures for businesses in the sector.



Cotton imports in March 2025 reached 153 thousand tons, down 11.3% month-on-month but still 19.4% higher than in March 2024 (128.1 thousand tons).

The average import price was USD 1,704 per ton, down 2.3% from the previous month (USD 1,745 per ton) and 12.5% lower than the same period last year (USD 1,947 per ton).

The decrease in both quantity and price compared to the previous month reflects a correction following a surge in imports, while the continued year-on-year price drop helps ease input costs for the spinning industry.



In Q1/2025, imports of textile materials continued to grow across all categories compared to the same period last year:

- + Fabrics reached USD 3.45 billion, up 9.7%.
- + Garment accessories reached USD 1.70 billion, up 9.4%.
- + Cotton reached USD 787.6 million, up 8.0%.
- + Fiber and yarn reached USD 650.9 million, up 13.4%.

**Top 10 companies importing 100% cotton yarn from Vietnam, March 2025 (by quantity)**

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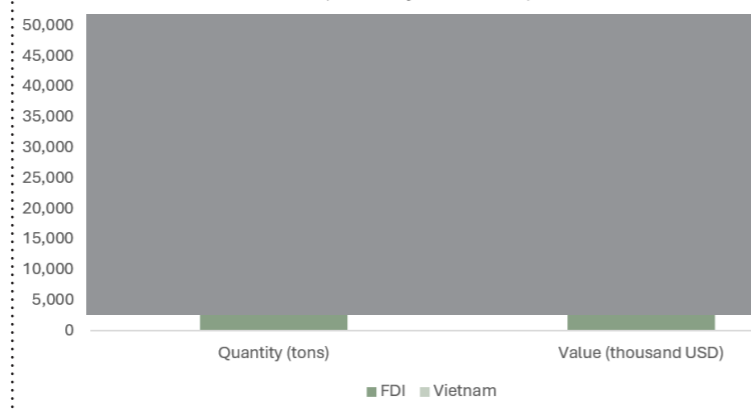
**Top 10 Vietnamese companies exporting cotton blended yarn, March 2025 (by quantity)**

**2.2 Vietnam's cotton blended yarn exports**

In March 2025, Vietnam's exports of blended cotton yarn reached 19,963 tons with a turnover of 46.47 million USD, increasing by 3.1% in volume and 0.8% in value compared to February 2025.

FDI enterprises exported 12,390 tons, valued at 29.67 million USD, increasing by 4.8% in volume and 4.6% in value compared to the previous month. Meanwhile, Vietnamese enterprises exported 7,573 tons, reaching a value of 16.8 million USD, showing a slight increase of 0.4% in volume but decreasing by 5.3% in value compared to February 2025.

**Exports of cotton blended yarn from Vietnam, March 2025 (Quantity and Value)**



In March 2025, Vietnam's exports of blended cotton yarn continued to maintain a diversified market network. China remained the largest export market, accounting for 66.7% of total export volume, slightly down from 68.3% in the previous month. South Korea held the second position, with its market share increasing significantly from 14.9% to 16%.

The Philippines continued as the third-largest market, with a notable increase in market share from 3.1% to 4.5%. Taiwan remained in fourth place, holding a stable market share of 2.1%, the same as the previous month.

Notably, Chile and Guatemala each accounted for 1.5% of the market, marking the emergence of new destinations in the Latin American region. Pakistan made up 1.4%, Thailand 1.2%, Bangladesh 0.9%, and Malaysia 0.8%, reflecting a sharp decline in Malaysia's share compared to the previous month (from 2.1% to 0.8%).

Although the export market structure remained concentrated in China and South Korea, signs of diversification emerged with the appearance of new markets and growth in smaller ones.

**Countries importing cotton blended yarn from Vietnam, March 2025 (by quantity)**

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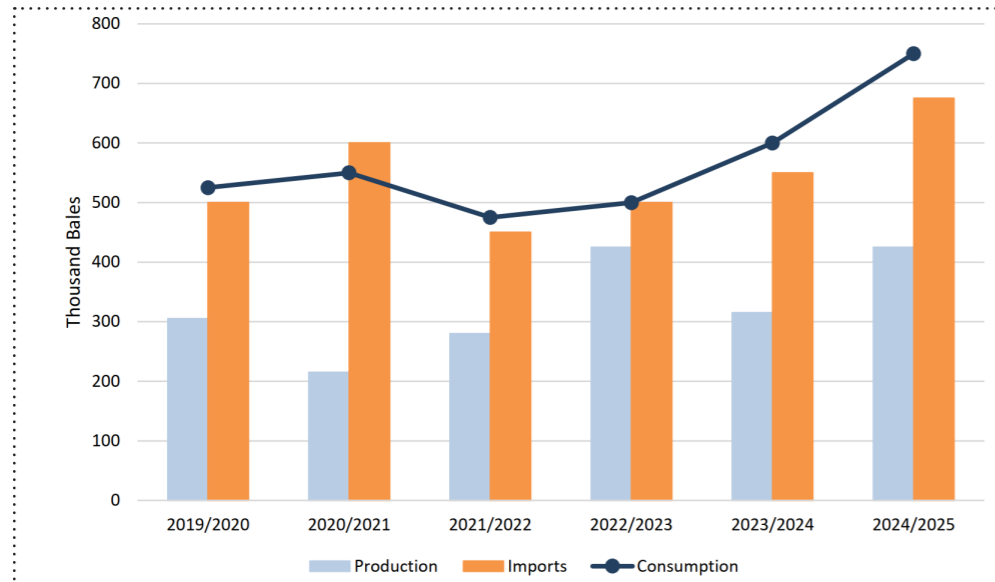
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## 4. Rising Egypt Cotton Consumption Fuels Record Imports



Egypt cotton consumption is projected at 750,000 bales in marketing year 2024/25 (August 2024 – July 2025), the highest level in 14 years, driven by a new wave of public and private investment. Imports are forecast at a record 675,000 bales to meet the demand of rising consumption since domestic production has stagnated over the past decade.

Egypt has historically been a prominent producer and consumer of cotton but now consumes less than half the peak volume reached in 1992/93. In recent years, the government has revitalized the industry by investing more than \$1.1 billion in the state-owned textile company as part of a plan to use more cotton domestically rather than export it. The government also adopted policies to incentivize foreign investment such as establishing the Suez Canal Economic Zone with lower taxes and a pro-business environment.

Foreign companies are also drawn to Egypt by lower labor and energy costs and proximity to the EU market, the second largest importer of cotton products. In the past year, foreign investment from China totaled approximately \$1 billion covering all stages of textile production.

Multiple Turkish textile companies have also recently announced plans to build new spinning mills in Egypt. As additional spinning capacity from public and private investments materializes over the next few years, Egypt cotton consumption is projected to rise. Egypt has already jumped from the 16th largest cotton consumer last year to tie for 13th in 2024/25, if current forecasts are realized.

Egypt has relied on imports to support increasing consumption as domestic production stagnated in recent years and the government more than doubled the guaranteed farm price in 2024/25 despite falling global prices. According to Egypt's Cotton Arbitration & Testing General Organization (CATGO), just 50,000 bales of domestic cotton have been distributed to local mills so far this marketing year, roughly equal to recent years, despite higher consumption. This contradicts the government's intention to redirect domestically produced cotton from exports to local mills.

Greece is the principal source for Egypt cotton imports, accounting for more than half of market share during the past decade. The United States has historically been a top supplier with Pima cotton serving as

a substitute for Egyptian extra-long staple (ELS) varieties while West African and Sudanese supplies have met the demand for more affordable upland cotton.

In 2023/24, Brazil became the second largest supplier after gaining market access in 2022/2023. In the first 7 months of 2024/25, Brazil export volume tripled compared to the same period last year as it continues to offer a lower price compared with competitors. Brazil remains the second largest supplier this year behind Greece which has seen less dramatic but still notable growth of 60 percent year over year.

As a result of this growth from top suppliers, Egypt cotton imports are forecast at a record 675,000 bales in 2024/25. In contrast, U.S. cotton has lost market share to more affordable suppliers. FAS Export Sales Reporting shows sales of less than 1,000 bales of upland cotton for 2024/25, compared to the 10-year average of nearly 50,000 bales. This reflects Egypt's expansion from a niche supplier of specialty cotton products to a more significant textile producer that competes on price with other textile producing countries.

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## EXCELLENCE IN DENIM MANUFACTURING WITH A RIETER RING SPINNING SYSTEM

Sustainably produced denim yarn is the goal of Soorty, one of Pakistan's largest denim producers and exporters. Its new Rieter ring spinning mill ensures high raw material yield, low energy consumption, and efficient processes, driving maximum sustainability in ring spinning.

Soorty's ring spinning mill is fully equipped with Rieter machines, covering the entire spinning process from bale to package. It enables Soorty to produce high-quality ring yarns while maintaining low energy consumption. Key innovations, such as the high-performance card C 80, allow for increased production while using fewer resources.

The spinning mill operates 20 ring spinning machines G 38, running at spindle speeds between 12 000 and 18 000 rpm. These machines provide easy handling and high flexibility, particularly in the production of slub yarns with various effects, making them well-suited for denim fashion. The Autoconer X6 further improves downstream efficiency by delivering high package quality, reducing energy consumption, and optimizing processes through advanced monitoring.

Soorty is recognized as a leader in Pakistan's textile industry and is committed to sustainable denim manufacturing. Find out more in the video why Soorty and Rieter are the perfect fit for sustainable ring yarn manufacturing.



Fig. 1: Sustainable denim manufacturing with the Rieter Ring Spinning System.

### About Rieter

Rieter is the world's leading supplier of systems for manufacturing yarn from staple fibers in spinning mills. Based in Winterthur (Switzerland), the company develops and manufactures machinery, systems and components used to convert natural and man-made fibers and their blends into yarns in the most cost-efficient manner. Cutting-edge spinning technology from Rieter contributes to sustainability in the textile value chain by minimizing the use of resources. Rieter has been in business for 230 years, has 18 production locations in ten countries and employs a global workforce of around 4 790, about 16% of whom are based in Switzerland. Rieter is listed on the SIX Swiss Exchange under ticker symbol RIEN.

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Fig. 2: Watch how the Rieter ring spinning system contributes to Soorty's success in denim manufacturing.

## VCOSA'S ACTIVITY

- ✦ On April 2, 2024, at the headquarters of the **General Department of Customs** under the **Ministry of Finance** in Hanoi, a meeting was held to discuss the import of cotton fiber and waste cotton as raw materials for OE yarn production. The meeting was chaired by **Mrs. Dao Thu Huong, Deputy Director of the Import-Export Tax Department under the Ministry of Finance**.
  - Attendees from the Ministry of Finance included: **Mr. Duong Ba Hai, Deputy Head of the Export-Import Tax Office, Tax Policy Management and Supervision Department**; Representatives from the **Tax Policy Department**; Representatives from the **Customs Inspection Department**; Representatives from the **Legal Department (General Department of Customs)**; Representatives from the **Customs Operations Division**; Representatives from the **Hai Phong Customs Department**; Representatives from the **Thai Binh Customs Department**. From VCOSA, attendees included: **Mr. Nguyen An Toan, Chairman of VCOSA and Mr. Nguyen Ba Cung, Vice Chairman of VCOSA**, Chief Financial Officer of Bitexco Nam Long Joint Stock Company. Additionally, the meeting included representatives from the **Textile and Apparel Research Institute** and **numerous OE yarn manufacturers in the Thai Binh region**.
  - During the meeting, Mr. Nguyen An Toan, on behalf of the Association and businesses, presented the challenges in applying HS Code 5202 with a 10% tax rate, which has put many enterprises at risk of bankruptcy. The General Department of Customs acknowledged the proposal and suggested that VCOSA continue coordinating with the government to organize a high-level dialogue to recommend a reduction of the tax rate to 0% for this product category. Meanwhile, businesses were advised to **take advantage of preferential tariffs under the AIFTA (ASEAN-India Free Trade Agreement), provided they have valid Certificates of Origin (C/O)**.
  - The General Department of Customs also recognized existing issues and committed to proposing that the Ministry of Finance establish specific regulations on the import standards for raw waste cotton. The meeting concluded in a cooperative spirit, with a focus on finding solutions to support businesses in stabilizing production and achieving sustainable development.
  - After the meeting, on April 18, VCOSA sent two official dispatches: Dispatch **No. 121/2025/CV-VCOSA**, proposing: (1) *The application of a 0% import tax rate, similar to the AIFTA agreement.* (2) *The exemption of taxes for detained shipments or the retroactive application of a 0% tax rate if these shipments are cleared under HS Code 5202.* And Dispatch **No. 122/2025/CV-VCOSA**, recommending that the General Department of Customs: (1) *Prioritize resolving issues related to the import of raw waste cotton.* (2) *Reclassify cleaned waste cotton under HS Code 5203 (0% tax) instead of 5202.*

- ✦ On April 8, 2025, on behalf of VCOSA, Mr. Do Duc Thinh and Ms. Nguyen Thuy Vi attended the **Saurer Customer Conference**. The event, organized by **Saurer**, a leading manufacturer of machinery and components for the yarn production industry, brought together numerous businesses in the textile supply chain. It served as an opportunity for networking, market information exchange, and expanding cooperation. During the event, representatives from VCOSA and Saurer discussed potential collaboration opportunities.
  - Ms. Nguyen Thuy Vi took a memory photo with **Ms. Pia Terasa, Representative of Saurer Company** at the conference.



- ✦ On April 9, 2025, Mr. Do Duc Thinh and Ms. Nguyen Thuy Vi continued representing the Association at the **SaigonTex - SaigonFabric 2025 International Exhibition**. At the event, VCOSA representatives actively visited exhibition booths, connected with domestic and international businesses—particularly spinning machinery and equipment suppliers—and explored future collaboration opportunities. VCOSA also met and directly engaged with **Asia Pacific Rayon (APR)**, a new member, reinforcing its role as a bridge and partner for businesses in the textile supply chain.
  - **Ms. Novy Wang, Marketing Manager (left) and Mr. Amit Baid, Head of International Sales, APR (right)** welcome VCOSA representative at APR booth - SaigonTex 2025.



- ✦ On April 14, 2025, Ms. Nguyen Thuy Vi participated in a discussion between **Ho Chi Minh City University of Technology (HCMUT)** and the **Kyoto Institute of Technology (KIT, Japan)**. The session focused on the potential application of supercritical CO2 technology in yarn production and fabric dyeing—an innovative approach promising high efficiency in both technology and environmental sustainability for the textile industry. This was part of VCOSA's efforts to connect with academic and research institutions to promote innovation and technology transfer for its members.
  - Prof. Dr. Satoko Okubayashi, Kyoto Institute of Technology took a memory photo with Assoc. Prof. Bui Mai Huong, Senior Advisor of VCOSA, Ms. Nguyen Thuy Vi, with staff and students at Ho Chi Minh City University of Technology.



- ✦ On March 17, 2025, Ms. Nguyen Thuy Vi attended **TexFuture Conference 2025** in Ho Chi Minh City. Organized by **Control Union Vietnam**, the conference gathered industry experts and businesses to discuss sustainable development trends, certification standards, technological advancements, and supply-chain solutions. The event provided VCOSA with market updates and opportunities to expand cooperation in sustainable production, traceability, and international textile standards.
  - Ms. Nguyen Thuy Vi and Ms. Phan Thi Sao Mai, representatives of Control Union Vietnam Co., Ltd. at the event.



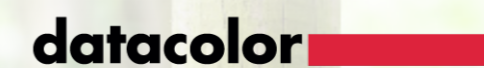
- ✦ On April 22, 2025, Mr. Do Duc Thinh and Ms. Nguyen Thuy Vi represented VCOSA at the **Sustainability Forum 2025**, co-organized by **COTTON USA™** and the **Vietnam Textile and Apparel Association (VITAS)** in Ho Chi Minh City. Under the theme "**Circularity Across the Cotton Supply Chain**", the forum facilitated discussions on sustainable initiatives in the global cotton supply chain, featuring international speakers, industry leaders, and major textile-spinning enterprises.
  - VCOSA took a photo with representatives from **Wakefield Inspection Services (Vietnam) Co., Ltd.**, VCOSA member and **COTCO Investment - Construction - Trading Co., Ltd.**



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APR introduces its sustainably produced Viscose and Lyocell by Sateri fibres to the Vietnamese market.

SaigonTex 2025 represents APR's largest presence in Vietnam to date, reinforcing its commitment to the country's growing textile industry.



Pictured speaking with visitors to the APR booth was Novy Wang, Marketing Manager, Asia Pacific Rayon (right).

**H**o Chi Minh City, Vietnam - April 10 2025: Asia Pacific Rayon (APR), a leading global manufacturer of viscose staple fibre products, has rolled out its viscose and lyocell products to potential buyers at the SaigonTex 2025 trade show this week, as part of a wider effort to support the creation of a more sustainable textiles sector in Vietnam.

Viscose and lyocell are nature-based and biodegradable

fibres - also known as man-made cellulosic fibres (MMCFs) - made from wood pulp sourced from sustainable plantations and are used to produce a range of high-quality textiles, garments and personal hygiene products.

At SaigonTex, APR has shared its global expertise with the growing local market to demonstrate how the use and adoption of sustainable textile fibres, such as viscose and lyocell, can contribute

to the long term growth of the textile sector in Vietnam.

Vietnam has emerged as a major regional textile hub in recent years, with growing levels of production and a skilled workforce. The country is a significant market for both viscose and lyocell

products. According to industry research, the global market for viscose and lyocell, is expected to grow by 6-10% annually till 2030.

The growing demand for sustainable textiles in the global market presents a key opportunity for APR to expand the reach of its viscose and lyocell products and to consolidate its presence in Vietnam, which is a key market for the company in the region.

**Sachin Malik, Head of Commercial, Asia Pacific Rayon** said: "We have seen a strong interest in APR's viscose and Lyocell by Sateri. We believe that increased awareness and adaptation of these fibres hold promising opportunities to establish Vietnam as a hub for sustainable textiles, and we're excited to be a part of that journey".

The APR booth, themed "Experience Lyocell, Feel the Difference", has been a focal point at SaigonTex this week. APR has exhibited the latest developments

Pictured speaking with visitors to the APR booth was Amit Baid, Head of International Sales, Asia Pacific Rayon (right).

with its APR viscose and Lyocell by Sateri fibres, focusing on responsible production and eco fashion for a wide array of applications.

**Amit Baid, Head of International Sales, Asia Pacific Rayon**, who oversees the company's market sales in Vietnam, said: "Vietnam is an important market for us, not just in South East Asia, but also in the global map. The connections and insights we gained for the Vietnam market at SaigonTex 2025 are very valuable. We are committed to providing ongoing support to local businesses and to developing applications as per the market dynamics".

Visitors to the APR booth have experienced firsthand the unique properties of these fibres and learned about the company's dedication to driving positive



Visitors experience the viscose and lyocell products at APR booth.

change in the textile industry. With the success of this exhibition, APR reaffirms its commitment towards Vietnam and the growth of the country's textile sector.

APR is firmly focused on sustainable practices with its APR2030 agenda, outlining four key pillars and corresponding targets for the next decade. The company strives to be a world-class

VSF manufacturer, consistently exceeding many requirements of the European Union Best Available Techniques (EU BAT) and ZDHC MMCF guidelines, setting a high bar for sustainable viscose production.



**About APR**

Asia Pacific Rayon (APR), based in Indonesia, is Asia's first fully integrated viscose rayon producer, from plantation to fibre. APR, which has a capacity of 325,000 tons per year, is located in Pangkalan Kerinci, Riau Province, Indonesia. APR is committed to becoming a leading viscose staple fibre producer with the principles of sustainability, transparency and operational excellence, and serving the interests of the community, country and climate, while providing value to customers. APR is part of the RGE group of companies.

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Sateri is the world's largest producer of manmade cellulose fibre (MMCF), a natural biodegradable raw material found in everyday items like textiles, wet wipes and other personal hygiene products. Sateri also produce textile yarn, Lyocell, spun lace non-woven fabric, and FINEX™, a recycled textile fibre. Headquartered in Shanghai, Sateri has sales, marketing and customer service networking covering Asia, Europe, and the Americas. Part of RGE Group, Sateri is committed to sustainable development, guided by its Sustainability Policy, Pulp Sourcing Policy and global environmental and social standards.

## NEWS OF THE MONTH

Source: compiled by VCOSA

**U**SDA's Prospective Plantings report for the 2025 crop year shows an intended cotton planted area of 9.87 million acres for the year – down 12% from 2024 acreage. The report was issued by USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) on March 31. Upland cotton area for 2025 is estimated at 9.71 million acres, down 12% from 2024. American Pima area is estimated at 157,000 acres – down 24% from last year.

**E**gypt will develop two integrated textile cities in Minya and Fayyoun, each spanning 5.5 million square metres, to attract \$3.5 billion in investment and boost textile exports to \$11.5 billion by 2030. The cities will cover the entire textile value chain and include training, logistics, and R&D facilities.

**U**S President Donald Trump has signed an executive order tripling tariffs on Chinese goods valued under \$800, raising the rate from 30 per cent to 90 per cent. The move, set to take effect on May 2, 2025, ends the 'de minimis' exemption and is expected to impact major e-commerce platforms and online shoppers.

**T**he Bangladesh Textile Mills Association (BTMA) has formally requested the National Cotton Council of America (NCCA) to support Bangladesh in securing duty-free access to the U.S. market for readymade garments (RMG) produced using U.S. cotton. Additionally, the BTMA has called for the permanent removal of the 37% additional tariff currently imposed on exports to the U.S. A BTMA delegation is scheduled to visit the U.S. for high-level discussions on this matter.

## TEXTILE NEWS



Prime Minister Pham Minh Chinh (R) meets with Syre Group chairwoman Susanna Campbell on April 23, 2025. Photo: Vietnam Government Portal

### Global fashion giant **H&M** subsidiary eyes \$1B recycling factory in Vietnam

**A** subsidiary of Swedish fashion company H&M plans to invest US\$1 billion to build a recycling complex in Vietnam to make the country the world's first high-tech circular textiles hub.

Susanna Campbell, chairwoman of the subsidiary, Syre Group, announced the plan during a meeting with Prime Minister Pham Minh Chinh on Wednesday: "Our goal is to build major recycling complexes in strategic regions worldwide, including Vietnam".

Syre Group, a joint venture between H&M and technology investment firm Vargas, recycles textile waste by leveraging technology and renewable energy.

The Binh Dinh factory, slated to begin operations by the end of 2028, will have an annual capacity of 250,000 tons. Chinh praised its focus on green and clean production, noting that utilizing textile waste would contribute to environmental protection.

He said the initiative aligns with Vietnam's objectives of diversifying markets, products and supply chains to navigate the ongoing global economic shifts. "Binh Dinh offers an excellent investment environment, being a hub for clean energy ... with synchronized infrastructure – highways, international airports, and deep-water ports – and favorable climate conditions".

He directed the province and relevant ministries to work closely with Syre on the project and the Ministries of Finance, Industry and Trade, Agriculture, and Environment with guiding the investor and addressing challenges.

He said Syre should prioritize domestically available green materials such as lotus and jute fibers, and using discarded fabric scraps and old clothing generated in Vietnam. Campbell expressed confidence in Vietnam's potential, saying: "We believe Vietnam will be a global leader in developing a circular economy".

Syre chose Vietnam as a strategic investment destination for its strong green energy and textile industry development, she said.

The company would maximize the use of local materials and strengthen supply chains, she promised.

Swedish ambassador to Vietnam, Johan Ndisi, also present at the meeting, said Swedish businesses are eager to pursue long-term cooperation, investment and business in Vietnam.

He proposed deepening collaboration with Vietnam on green transformation and establishing a comprehensive strategic partnership in science, technology, innovation, and digital transformation.

Source: VnExpress

### Vietnam strengthens efforts to verify raw material origins in textile exports



**V**ietnam is stepping up efforts to verify the origin of raw materials used in its textile and garment exports, aiming to maintain credibility in global markets—especially amid rising concerns about transshipment and trade fraud.

The government is enhancing monitoring systems, particularly on imported materials, to ensure they meet rules of origin under various free trade agreements (FTAs). These actions follow a temporary 90-day suspension of U.S. reciprocal tariffs, creating urgency for Vietnam to demonstrate transparency in its supply chain. The Ministry of Industry and Trade has directed local authorities and businesses to strictly check certificates of origin and increase inspections.

This move is partly in response to suspicions that some companies may be re-routing Chinese goods through Vietnam to avoid U.S. tariffs.

To address this, the government is urging exporters to diversify markets and fully utilize FTA benefits while also improving transparency and sustainability in sourcing practices. Support measures include administrative reform, access to credit for small and medium-sized enterprises, and digital transformation in export management.

Vietnam's broader goal is to enhance the competitiveness of its textile sector while maintaining compliance with international trade standards. Strengthening traceability will not only improve product credibility but also help build long-term trust with key partners like the U.S. and EU.

These initiatives highlight Vietnam's commitment to ethical trade practices and its efforts to secure a stable position in global textile supply chains.

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