

COTTON STATISTICS ACT, 1868.

RETURN of the Number of BALES OF COTTON Imported, Exported, forwarded from Ports to Inland Towns, and returned to Ports, during the Month and 6 Months ended 30th June, 1897, compared with the corresponding Months of the Years 1896 and 1895.

Description of Cotton.	Imports.			Exports.			Forwarded from Ports to Inland Towns.			Forwarded from Inland Towns to Ports.		
	1897	1896	1895	1897	1896	1895	1897	1896	1895	1897	1896	1895
Month ended 30th June.												
American... ..	68,730	68,761	112,779	20,480	16,335	24,841	170,911	229,579	177,040	269	226	299
Brazilian	12,037	2,668	8,218	1,300	...	800	8,814	2,656	3,630
East Indian	9,726	21,250	27,724	5,045	3,556	4,335	5,154	5,229	7,182
Egyptian	15,707	12,083	13,018	14,664	5,321	3,565	18,062	15,052	7,409
Miscellaneous	6,096	3,846	5,870	5,908	1,905	1,335	5,258	8,298	4,906	50	45	18
Total	112,296	108,608	167,609	47,397	27,117	34,876	208,199	260,814	200,167	319	271	317
6 Months ended 30th June.												
American... ..	1,486,890	1,370,711	2,056,086	132,216	96,200	125,932	1,315,074	1,333,729	1,436,247	1,514	1,451	2,233
Brazilian	65,659	27,519	11,378	3,000	3,690	6,758	35,492	27,560	9,650	...	7	...
East Indian	64,017	101,965	41,006	28,640	25,120	18,172	36,480	27,977	15,140	...	4	...
Egyptian	201,701	192,065	192,725	50,854	53,722	43,923	153,815	157,227	141,108	40	49	10
Miscellaneous	25,532	19,777	32,038	10,577	12,588	14,240	54,224	53,892	55,939	214	451	430
Total	1,843,799	1,712,037	2,333,233	225,287	191,320	209,025	1,595,085	1,600,385	1,658,084	1,768	1,962	2,673

Dated July 6, 1897.

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