

COTTON STATISTICS ACT, 1868.

URN of the Number of BALES OF COTTON Imported, Exported, forwarded from Ports to Inland Towns, and returned to Ports, during the Month and 3 Months ended 31st March, 1899, compared with the corresponding Months of the Years 1898 and 1897.

Description of Cotton.	Imports.			Exports.			Forwarded from Ports to Inland Towns.			Forwarded from Inland Towns to Ports.		
	1899	1898	1897	1899	1898	1897	1899	1898	1897	1899	1898	1897
Month ended 31st March.												
American... ..	218,496	321,361	235,379	40,109	27,893	23,282	242,610	272,704	258,083	425	566	255
Brazilian	200	1,979	5,645	850	170	...	1,588	3,260	6,349	...	...	...
East Indian	4,853	2,009	4,299	9,086	1,367	4,265	936	1,679	6,379	...	...	...
Egyptian	42,887	48,913	36,364	9,646	13,307	9,725	28,134	36,359	26,661	...	...	40
Miscellaneous	3,163	5,534	4,853	1,075	1,960	830	6,157	8,660	9,892	9	33	51
Total	269,599	379,796	286,540	60,766	44,697	38,102	279,425	322,662	307,364	434	599	346
3 Months ended 31st March.												
American... ..	1,317,161	1,249,785	1,129,275	115,391	76,228	67,513	741,003	770,602	732,905	972	1,273	844
Brazilian	200	4,967	20,984	3,253	170	500	7,953	7,518	12,796	...	...	...
East Indian	16,545	5,695	27,766	15,218	4,221	16,560	2,648	3,511	16,885	...	...	...
Egyptian	135,879	157,014	128,201	26,946	28,265	21,631	83,136	104,898	89,395	...	...	40
Miscellaneous	17,087	15,600	13,875	2,642	5,651	2,401	22,100	28,811	31,931	15	164	70
Total	1,486,872	1,433,061	1,320,101	163,450	114,535	108,605	856,840	915,340	883,912	987	1,437	954

Dated April 6, 1899.

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