

COTTON STATISTICS ACT, 1868.

RETURN of the Number of BALES OF COTTON Imported and Exported at the Various Ports of the United Kingdom during the week and 20 weeks ending 20th May, 1909; together with the Number of Bales Imported and Exported during the corresponding 20 weeks in 1908.

[NOTE.—Cotton "In Transit" or "For Transhipment under Bond" if described as such in the Ships' Reports, is not included in this Return.]

PORTS.	IMPORTS.						EXPORTS.					
	American.	Brazilian.	East Indian.	Egyptian.	Miscellaneous.	TOTAL.	American.	Brazilian.	East Indian.	Egyptian.	Miscellaneous.	TOTAL.
Week ending 20th May, 1909.												
Liverpool	Bales. 81,340	Bales. 114	Bales. 337	Bales. 9,539	Bales. 1,771	Bales. 43,101	Bales. 575	Bales. ..	Bales. 144	Bales. 2,055	Bales. 250	Bales. 3,024
London .. .. .	..	..	114	..	152	266	..	..	..	..	..	..
Hull	2	..	..	..	..	2	300	..	..	..	..	300
Manchester	15,832	..	..	8,738	..	24,070	..	..	..	125	..	125
Other Ports .. .. .	..	..	..	35	97	132	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	46,674	114	451	18,312	*2,020	67,571	875	..	144	2,180	250	3,449
20 Weeks ending 20th May, 1909.												
Liverpool	1,423,460	8,638	35,048	160,746	24,071	1,651,963	23,014	2,064	2,209	17,754	2,653	47,694
London	1,102	..	15,499	..	5,983	22,584	1,352	..	12,290	..	57	13,699
Hull	2	..	1,544	8	..	1,554	4,259	3	888	68	14	5,232
Manchester	245,792	..	..	114,542	195	360,529	100	..	..	800	..	900
Other Ports	35,557	37	..	656	1,278	37,528	47,611	..	369	..	..	47,980
TOTAL	1,705,913	8,675	52,091	275,952	†31,527	2,074,158	76,336	2,067	15,756	18,622	2,721	115,505
20 Weeks ending 14th May, 1908. }	1,533,496	18,299	54,796	219,596	35,546	1,861,733	148,787	1,771	17,172	43,929	2,559	214,218

* Including 97 Bales British West Indian, 1,207 Bales British West African, and 128 Bales British East African.

† Including 4,037 Bales British West Indian, 5,421 Bales British West African, 3,381 Bales British East African, and 282 Bales Foreign East African.

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