

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 3 Months ending 31st March, 1913, compared with the corresponding Months of the Years 1912 and 1911.

Description of Cotton.					Imports.*			Exports.*			Forwarded from Ports to Inland Towns.			Forwarded from Inland Towns to Ports.		
					1913	1912	1911	1913	1912	1911	1913	1912	1911	1913	1912	1911
Month ending 31st March.																
American					Bales. 159,860	Bales. 507,477	Bales. 202,044	Bales. 14,884	Bales. 43,055	Bales. 27,842	Bales. 243,022	Bales. 300,801	Bales. 274,834	Bales. 362	Bales. 165	Bales. 197
Brazilian					34,085	2,927	4,683	3,452	460	541	8,019	5,445	3,832	...	...	...
East Indian					11,011	5,410	7,674	2,114	889	836	5,796	4,660	6,317	...	...	...
Egyptian					39,104	65,437	48,000	18,034	23,636	13,311	23,990	32,917	34,454	...	60	...
Miscellaneous					†9,273	9,485	9,037	1,110	962	302	7,108	5,067	4,027	...	42	9
Total					253,333	590,736	271,438	39,594	69,002	42,832	287,935	348,890	323,464	362	267	206
3 Months ending 31st March.																
American					907,451	1,565,424	1,135,904	62,717	137,504	71,037	814,650	856,432	826,208	772	620	589
Brazilian					84,561	14,227	36,105	5,983	2,027	2,904	27,215	14,777	13,889	...	...	...
East Indian					25,473	11,249	32,222	11,964	2,578	2,916	12,961	9,845	27,594	...	...	...
Egyptian					191,501	250,831	190,506	83,270	70,721	58,582	125,121	128,037	114,046	27	60	...
Miscellaneous					†33,254	25,308	22,347	3,941	2,747	1,036	26,830	21,766	17,343	...	92	38
Total					1,242,240	1,867,039	1,417,084	167,875	215,577	136,475	1,006,777	1,030,857	999,080	799	772	627

* Cotton "In Transit" or "For Transhipment under Bond," if described as such in the Ships' Reports, was not included prior to November 3rd, 1911, *but has been included since that date.*

† Including 963 Bales British West Indian, 638 Bales British West African, 3,199 Bales British East African, and 567 Bales Foreign East African.

‡ Including 2,262 Bales British West Indian, 1,340 Bales British West African, 9,002 Bales British East African, and 1,263 Bales Foreign East African.

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