

SA COTTON SITUATION AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2017

2017/18 MARKETING SEASON (April to March)

GINNERS SITUATION *

	DEC 2017 (TON)	% +/- **	SEASON CUMULATIVE TOTAL (TON)	% +/- **
<u>SEED COTTON:</u>				
OPENING STOCK	1216	-	60	-
PLUS RECEIVED:	559	-	45053	71%
- RSA SEED COTTON	559		44365	
- SWAZILAND SEED COTTON	0		688	
- OTHER SEED COTTON	0		0	
LESS GINNED	1519	-	44857	71%
STOCK ADJUSTMENTS	0		0	
CLOSING STOCK	256	-	256	-
<u>COTTON LINT:</u>				
OPENING STOCK	2461	196%	0	-
PLUS PRODUCED	525	-	15908	58%
LESS SOLD	419	117%	13341	13%
STOCK ADJUSTMENTS	0		0	
CLOSING STOCK	2567	302%	2567	302%

SPINNERS SITUATION *

	DEC 2017 (TON)	% +/- **	SEASON CUMULATIVE TOTAL (TON)	% +/- **
<u>COTTON LINT:</u>				
OPENING STOCK	2872	-11%	2823	-30%
PLUS RECEIVED:	1027	-31%	17192	14%
- FROM LOCAL GINNERS	277		5669	
- ZIMBABWE IMPORTS	0		1680	
- ZAMBIA IMPORTS	0		5337	
- OTHER IMPORTS	750		4506	
LESS CONSUMPTION	978	-25%	17094	8%
STOCK ADJUSTMENTS	0		0	
CLOSING STOCK	2921	-15%	2921	-15%

SOURCE: Ginnery and spinners' monthly statutory returns

* Includes Swaziland

** Percentage increase or decrease over the same period of the previous season

