## SA COTTON SITUATION AS AT 31 AUGUST 2017

### 2017/18 MARKETING SEASON (April to March)

#### GINNERS SITUATION*

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<th>AUG 2017 (TON)</th>
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* Includes Swaziland
** Percentage increase or decrease over the same period of the previous season

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Source: Ginners’ and spinners’ monthly statutory returns

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