

SA COTTON SITUATION AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2018

2018/19 MARKETING SEASON (April to March)

GINNERS SITUATION *

	DEC 2018 (TON)	% +/- **	SEASON CUMULATIVE TOTAL (TON)	% +/- **
<u>SEED COTTON:</u>				
OPENING STOCK	28279	2226%	0	-
PLUS RECEIVED:	1350	142%	85624	90%
- RSA SEED COTTON	1350		84774	
- SWAZILAND SEED COTTON	0		850	
- OTHER SEED COTTON	0		0	
LESS GINNED	6629	336%	62624	40%
STOCK ADJUSTMENTS	0		0	
CLOSING STOCK	23000	-	23000	-
<u>COTTON LINT:</u>				
OPENING STOCK	6218	153%	264	-
PLUS PRODUCED	2478	372%	23977	51%
LESS SOLD	2861	583%	18406	38%
STOCK ADJUSTMENTS	0		0	
CLOSING STOCK	5835	127%	5835	127%

SPINNERS SITUATION *

	DEC 2018 (TON)	% +/- **	SEASON CUMULATIVE TOTAL (TON)	% +/- **
<u>COTTON LINT:</u>				
OPENING STOCK	2832	-1%	2841	1%
PLUS RECEIVED:	751	-27%	14182	-18%
- FROM LOCAL GINNERS	152		1722	
- ZIMBABWE IMPORTS	309		3356	
- ZAMBIA IMPORTS	290		7967	
- OTHER IMPORTS	0		1137	
LESS CONSUMPTION	897	-8%	14337	-16%
STOCK ADJUSTMENTS	0		0	
CLOSING STOCK	2686	-8%	2686	-8%

SOURCE: Ginnery and spinners' monthly statutory returns

* Includes Swaziland

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