

Consumption on the Woolen System and Worsted Combing: First Quarter 2004

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Table 1. Quarterly Summary of Fibers Consumed on the Woolen System and Worsted Combing: 1999 to 2004
[Thousands of pounds]

Quarter and year	Total fibers consumed 1/	Total	Raw wool 2/ 3/			Noils, reprocessed and reused wool	Other fibers
			Woolen	Worsted	Carpet		
2004							
First quarter.....	163,809	(D)	3,751	(D)	2,053	(D)	152,990
2003							
Fourth quarter.....	169,338	(D)	2,629	(D)	1,584	(D)	160,914
Third quarter.....	172,602	(D)	r/ 2,629	(D)	1,370	(D)	157,823
Second quarter.....	180,380	(D)	3,498	(D)	1,192	(D)	163,700
First quarter.....	175,931	(D)	3,234	(D)	1,871	(D)	159,094
2002							
Fourth quarter.....	175,031	(D)	3,161	(D)	1,437	(D)	164,336
Third quarter.....	180,679	(D)	4,111	(D)	1,738	(D)	171,427
Second quarter.....	205,151	12,409	5,431	5,118	1,860	1,581	191,161
First quarter.....	189,789	12,825	5,406	5,563	1,856	1,785	175,179
2001							
Fourth quarter.....	176,720	13,183	4,616	6,247	2,320	1,760	161,777
Third quarter.....	181,009	14,503	5,134	6,450	2,919	1,745	164,761
Second quarter.....	193,198	17,310	7,023	6,496	3,791	2,284	173,604
First quarter.....	195,687	21,283	9,138	7,865	4,280	2,657	171,747
2000							
Fourth quarter.....	169,394	17,800	7,241	6,673	3,886	1,971	149,623
Third quarter.....	197,556	18,386	7,598	7,022	3,766	1,571	177,599
Second quarter.....	215,071	19,732	8,247	7,817	3,668	2,163	193,176
First quarter.....	210,746	21,328	8,849	8,594	3,885	2,180	187,238
1999							
Fourth quarter.....	188,718	16,599	6,182	7,451	2,966	1,972	170,147
Third quarter.....	207,187	18,976	7,311	8,482	3,183	1,782	186,429
Second quarter.....	209,609	20,396	7,933	8,882	3,581	2,101	187,112
First quarter.....	194,500	21,514	7,725	9,569	4,220	1,913	171,073

D Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual companies. r/Revised by 5 percent or more from previously published data.

1/Includes top converted from manmade fiber tow without combing.

2/Data are shown on a scoured basis for greasy wool.

3/Shorn pulled wool of the sheep. Does not include raw wool consumed in cotton spinning.

Table 2. Summary of Fibers Consumed in Woolen System Spinning and Worsted Combing
[Thousands of pounds]

Product description	First quarter 2004	Fourth quarter 2003	First quarter 2003
All fibers 1/.....	163,809	169,338	175,931
Raw wool 2/ 3/.....	(D)	(D)	(D)
Apparel class.....	(D)	(D)	(D)
Woolen system.....	3,751	2,629	3,234
Worsted combing.....	(D)	(D)	(D)
Carpet class 4/.....	2,053	1,584	1,871
Noils, reprocessed and reused wool, and other animal fibers 5/.....	(D)	(D)	(D)
Other fibers 1/.....	152,990	160,914	159,094
Nylon.....	87,270	93,057	99,745
Polyester.....	38,477	40,508	38,853
Acrylic and modacrylic.....	(D)	(D)	(D)
Other fibers 6/.....	(D)	(D)	(D)

D Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual companies.

1/Includes top converted from manmade fiber tow without combing.

2/Data are shown on a scoured basis for greasy wool.

3/Shorn and pulled wool of the sheep. Does not include raw wool consumed in cotton system spinning.

4/Data for carpet and rug yarn, tops, noils, and reprocessed wool, except shorn and pulled, are included with carpet class "Raw wool" to avoid disclosing data for individual companies. These data are less than one-half of one percent of carpet class "Raw wool."

5/Mohair, alpaca, vicuna, and other specialty fibers, as well as tops and noils consumed in the cotton system spinning, amounted to 194 thousand pounds in the first quarter 2004 and in the fourth quarter 2003 amounted to 144 thousand pounds.

6/Includes cotton, jute, and other vegetable fibers.

Table 3. Fibers Consumed in Woolen System Spinning
[Thousands of pounds]

Product code	Product description		First quarter 2004		Fourth quarter 2003		First quarter 2003
	Fibers consumed in woolen spinning 1/.....		153,175		161,002		159,399
	For yarns (except carpet and rugs).....		31,689		32,465		28,413
	Shorn and pulled wool of the sheep.....		3,751		2,629		3,234
11241061	60S and finer.....	b/	1,646	b/	1,545		1,423
11241062	Coarser than 60S.....	c/	2,105	b/r/	1,084		1,811
	Other wool.....		(D)		(D)		(D)
31499997	Sheep.....	a/	761		836		896
11241071	Other.....		(D)		(D)		(D)
31499989	Reprocessed wool and reused wool.....		(D)		(D)		(D)
	Other fibers.....		26,306		28,139		23,395
32522292	Nylon.....	c/	2,630	c/r/	2,262		1,984
32522295	Polyester.....	b/	3,451	b/	3,904		2,212
32522296	Acrylic and modacrylic.....		19,589		21,297		18,487
32522298	All other fibers, including rayon and acetate.....	a/	636	a/	676		712
	For carpet and rug yarns.....		121,486		128,537		130,986
11241051	Shorn pulled wool of the sheep 2/.....		(D)		(D)		(D)
31499998	Tops, noils, mohair, reused and reprocessed wool, and other wool (except shorn or pulled) 2/.....		(D)		(D)		(D)
	Other fibers.....		119,433		126,953		129,115
32522291	Nylon.....	b/	84,640	b/	90,795		92,761
32522293	Polyester.....		(D)		(D)		(D)
32522294	Acrylic and modacrylic.....		(D)		(D)		(D)
32522297	All other fibers, including rayon and acetate.....		-		-		-

- Represents zero. D Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual companies. r/Revised by 5 percent or more from previously published data.

1/Data are shown on scoured basis for greasy wools.

2/Product codes 11241051 and 31499998 have a combined total and is as follows: first quarter 2004, 2,053; fourth quarter 2003, r/1,584; first quarter 2003, 1,871.

Note: Percent of estimation for each item is indicated as follows: a/10 to 25 percent of this item is estimated. b/26 to 50 percent of this item is estimated. c/Over 50 percent of this item is estimated.