**Station 1**

**Note**: 1 bale equals 480 pounds of cotton

**Source**: USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service, *Crop Production* reports. January 8, 2025

**Station 2**

**Acres of Cotton Harvested in the United States, 2017**

A map of the United States showing cotton producing states. 

Cotton is produced across the South from North Carolina in the east to California in the west. 

The southeastern states farm about 25,000 acres of cotton on average. 

The southwestern states farm about 25,000 to 50,000 acres of cotton on average. 

The majority of U.S. cotton is produced in Texas in the Coastal Plains and Great Plains regions. Those regions produce 50,000 to upwards of 100,000 acres of cotton on average. 

There is no cotton production recorded in the northern states of the U.S. 

**Source**: USDA Economic Research Service, Cotton and Wool, Cotton Sector at a Glance January 8, 2025

**Station 3**

**Source**: U.S. Department of Agriculture, Economic Research Service

**Vocabulary**

***Commodity***: a raw material or agricultural product that can be bought and sold.

***Broilers:*** Chickens raised for meat

***Share of Receipts:*** The percentage of money spent on each item out of the total amount of money spent on all products.

**Station 4**

**Source**: U.S. Department of Agriculture National Agricultural Statistics Service, Annual Cotton Review, Monthly Crop Production Reports.

**Vocabulary**

***Harvest***: The amount of cotton collected from what was planted.

**Station 5**

**Source**: National Integrated Drought Information System, The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.