

TABLE 22

IMPORT OF COTTON YARN - MAJOR COUNTRIES

('000 tonnes)

COUNTRY	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
China (Mainland)	380.0	372.7	461.1	533.9	613.8	711.6	713.5
China (Hong Kong)	387.3	378.4	473.9	535.5	630.5	695.5	674.7
United States	99.9	106.5	136.7	119.2	127.2	123.2	177.1
Italy	119.4	118.0	139.6	142.0	143.3	146.7	122.1
Portugal	73.3	72.4	78.0	91.8	95.6	104.2	99.5
Japan	155.0	160.7	124.3	110.8	102.7	104.2	94.5
Germany	101.7	93.1	94.9	86.1	82.3	83.3	76.0
Mexico	30.8	34.5	31.3	215.6	90.0	66.2	73.4
Spain	45.1	44.9	49.2	61.6	55.0	61.7	57.3
Belgium	80.2	65.7	61.3	58.7	57.5	55.0	52.8
France	61.3	56.0	60.7	57.4	51.3	47.3	45.4
China (Taiwan)	81.8	67.3	58.3	44.7	68.2	46.8	42.6
Argentina	4.3	2.8	3.3	2.4	1.3	13.0	30.9
Poland	n.a.	16.5	15.0	16.6	16.9	n.a.	28.5
Philippines	10.9	12.7	13.7	23.0	20.1	25.5	27.9
Sri Lanka	17.0	17.0	19.0	21.0	21.0	20.0	25.0
United Kingdom	63.4	51.2	47.0	41.8	38.9	31.2	24.4
Greece	22.8	25.4	24.5	84.6	17.5	23.2	19.4
South Africa	3.3	3.2	3.2	10.0	11.4	12.2	16.5
Czech Rep.	12.2	12.4	15.1	n.a.	n.a.	17.2	16.4
Netherlands	17.5	14.5	16.2	13.2	13.2	15.7	12.5

Note : n.a.= Not available

Source : World Textile Demand, September 2006, International Cotton Advisory Committee (ICAC)