

TABLE 24
IMPORT OF COTTON FABRICS - MAJOR COUNTRIES

('000 tonnes)

COUNTRY	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
China (Hong Kong)	282.4	287.0	285.7	254.7	509.6	526.4	554.2
Mexico	37.9	44.3	28.3	290.7	425.7	440.5	490.5
United States	422.8	420.6	455.3	413.2	509.1	455.1	388.6
China (Mainland)	178.4	180.8	171.8	162.9	171.6	176.9	209.8
Italy	145.4	137.8	153.0	185.1	179.1	170.7	169.4
Germany	113.5	99.0	104.4	106.1	100.9	97.0	95.2
Korea, Rep.	34.8	68.1	75.8	76.8	96.4	84.2	84.2
Japan	90.5	103.8	96.9	85.8	77.7	81.8	75.8
France	112.1	95.1	101.3	108.4	85.3	74.8	65.9
Greece	19.6	18.2	18.7	16.3	22.8	16.7	65.7
Spain	43.2	44.6	49.8	65.4	65.3	61.8	62.7
India	4.9	3.3	4.1	5.7	11.1	36.3	62.4
United Kingdom	122.8	120.5	101.0	93.0	80.6	63.2	60.0
Romania	17.0	18.6	29.1	38.7	48.2	51.4	59.0
Poland	43.1	45.3	47.0	47.5	52.3	54.9	58.6
Sri Lanka	60.0	67.0	72.0	68.0	64.0	73.0	55.0
Belgium	93.9	87.0	82.4	75.8	74.1	63.5	52.4
Philippines	28.0	34.4	21.3	24.5	36.6	33.4	36.2
Netherlands	29.6	31.6	33.2	30.9	30.7	30.7	34.1
Thailand	19.4	28.6	39.6	34.9	27.9	32.4	33.6
Portugal	32.2	27.4	27.9	29.5	28.9	28.5	29.4
South Africa	9.4	7.9	9.3	35.1	15.5	18.5	20.8
Argentina	17.1	15.3	15.1	15.3	5.1	21.3	20.0
Russia	n.a.	n.a.	8.3	11.2	6.9	11.9	18.8
China (Taiwan)	22.4	20.7	18.3	13.3	15.6	14.3	16.2
Czech Rep.	12.2	12.0	13.5	n.a.	14.2	14.8	13.7

Note : n.a. = Not available.

Source : World Textile Demand, Bulletin of the International Cotton Advisory Committee (ICAC), Sept. 06