

TABLE 48
PRODUCTION OF POLYESTER STAPLE FIBRE - MAJOR COUNTRIES / REGIONS

('000 tonne)

COUNTRY	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
China	2941.40	3491.30	4186.90	5508.70	5840.40
U.S.A.	929.90	855.40	936.40	915.80	845.60
Taiwan	889.60	877.60	840.70	731.90	612.60
India	563.00	602.50	662.30	614.60	752.50
Korea (South)	602.50	600.60	562.20	522.50	505.70
Japan	240.70	233.00	221.50	213.90	213.30
Turkey	107.80	124.00	151.10	142.70	141.00
Mexico	156.00	113.90	113.90	67.80	31.70
Other Asia	1375.20	1468.70	1430.00	1352.30	1332.50
Western Europe	488.10	448.40	435.80	376.80	407.90
Middle East, Africa & Oceania	183.40	184.50	187.20	201.50	161.70
Eastern Europe	163.10	157.10	168.80	173.00	169.10
Other Americas	148.70	149.60	165.20	150.60	143.30
Total	8789.40	9306.60	10062.00	10972.10	11157.30

Source : Fibre organon, June, 2007