Spindles Shipments - Countries 2005 (Million)

	2005	2004	
Total Shipments	11.20	8.2	37 %
China	7.2	4.5	60%
Pakistan	1	1.4	29%
India	1.43	0.75	91%
China +Pakistan+ India	9.63	6.65	45%
Rest of the World (Other than China, Pakistan & India	1.57	1.35	16%

Source: ITFM International Textile Machinery Shipment Statistics. Vol. 28/2005

> The annual textile machinery shipment survey as reported in the ITMF report for the year 2005 shows a mixed trend in global shipments in the spinning sector. The shipments of short-staple spindles rose, while for long-staple spindles and rotors fell.

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- The year 2005 marked a new record of global short-staple spindles shipments totaling 11,198,644, a 7% increase from 2004 on comparable basis. Responsible for this development was the continuous expansion of Chinese domestic shipments. With 7.2 million short-staple spindles China was by far the biggest investor, followed by India with 1.4 million, Pakistan with 1.0 million, Bangladesh with 540,000 and Turkey with 300,000.
- The global shipment of long-staple (wool) spindles fell in 2005 to 182,836, a minus of 5% compared to the previous year. With 82,900 long-staple spindles China remained the primary destination (-15%), followed by Turkey with 42,300 (+ 148%) and Italy with 14,000 (+245%). The overall decline of investments in open-end rotors reached 10% in 2005, totaling 374,000 positions, which was still above the level of 2003 with 346,000 positions. China alone absorbed 246,000 open-end rotors in 2005, reaching a market share of 66%, while those of Brazil with 22,000, India with 20,000 or Turkey with 18,000, the next biggest investors in open-end rotors were significantly smaller with 6%, 5.5% and 5% respectively.