

# International cotton value differences

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**Status: No change since the previous circular**

- Notes:**
1. Value differences recorded in boxes are based on current market evidence available to the ICA
  2. B = Basis
  3. Value differences are operative on the business day following the date of this circular
  4. All value differences are published in US cent points per pound
  5. The ICA accepts no responsibility for the accuracy of the information contained in this circular

## 1) Grade and staple

### African Francozone

Grade	0	1	2	3	Staple	1.5/32"	1.1/8"	1.3/32"	1.1/16"
	-	B	-	-		125	B	-125	-325

### Argentine

Grade	B	C	C-1/2	D	D-1/2	E	F	Staple	1.1/8"	1.3/32"	1.1/16"	1.1/32"	inch	31/32"
	250	150	B	-250	-500	-800	-1200		100	50	B	-50	-200	-300

### Australian (based on Universal Standards)

Grade	GM	SM	MID	SLM	Staple	1.1/4"	1.7/32"	1.3/16"	1.5/32"	1.1/8"	1.3/32"	1.1/16"
White	100	B	-100	-300		250	175	100	50	B	-100	-300
Light Spotted	-50	-100	-175	-375								
Spotted	-175	-275	-375	-575								

### Azerbaijan (Saw-ginned)

Grade	1	2	3	4	5	Staple	1.1/8"	1.3/32"	1.1/16"	1.1/32"	inch
AZ1		50	B	-50	-125		100	50	B	-50	-
AZ2	PAR	-125	-200	-275	-325						
AZ3											
AZ4		-1075	-1100	-1175	-1325						
AZ5			-1225	-1425	-1625						

### Azerbaijan (Roller-ginned)

Grade	1	2	3	4	5	Staple	1.5/32"	1.1/8"	1.3/32"	1.1/16"	1.1/32"	inch
AZ1	125	75	B	-100	-200		150	100	50	B	-	-
AZ2	-50	-100	-200	-250	-375							
AZ3		-450	-575	-625								
AZ4		-975	-1100	-1200	-1425							
AZ5			-1900	-2150	-2350							

### Brazilian (based on Universal Standards)

Grade	SM	M	SLM	LM	Staple	1.5/32"	1.1/8"	1.3/32"	1.1/16"	1.1/32"
White	100	B	-100	-300		200	100	B	-150	-
Light Spotted	-50	-100	-200	-350						
Spotted	-150	-250	-350	-550						

### Chinese (do not represent the trash content, which is determined by instrument testing)

Grade	One	Two	Three	Four	Five	Six	Seven	Staple	1.1/8"	1.3/32"	1.1/16"
	B	-50	-100	-250	-450	-750	-1050		B	-75	-

**Greek** (based on Universal Standards)

Grade	SM	M	SLM	LM	SGO	Staple	1.5/32"	1.1/8"	1.3/32"	1.1/16"
White	-	100	B	-150	-300		50	B	-100	-250
Light Spotted	PAR	-50	-100	-250	-400					
Spotted	-50	-200	-325	-475	-625					

**Indian**

Grade	Extra Superfine			Superfine		Fine	Fully Good	Good					
ICS 101		225		100		B	-100		-175				
ICS 102		225		100		B	-75		-150				
ICS 103		175		75		B	-75		-175				
ICS 104		175		100		B	-75		-150				
ICS 105		175		100		B	-100		-200				
ICS 106		275		125		B	-100		-175				
ICS 107		325		175		B	-175		-275				
ICS 201		150		75		B	-100		-150				
ICS 202		225		125		B	-125		-225				
<b>Staple</b>	13/16"	7/8"	15/16"					<b>Staple</b>	1.7/32"	1.1/4"	1.9/32"		
ICS 101	-150	B	-					ICS 106	-150	B	600		
ICS 102	-150	B	175										
<b>Staple</b>	7/8"	29/32"	15/16"	31/32"				<b>Staple</b>	1.5/16"	1.3/8"	1.7/16"		
ICS 103	-75	B	100					ICS 107	-300	B	500		
ICS 104		-100	B	100									
<b>Staple</b>	1.1/32"	1.1/16"	1.3/32"	1.1/8"	1.5/32"	1.3/16"		<b>Staple</b>	13/16"	7/8"	15/16"		
ICS 105	-375	-250	-125	B	150	300		ICS 201	-150	B	-		
								<b>Staple</b>	1"	1.1/32"	1.1/16"	1.3/32"	1.1/8"
								ICS 202	-200	-100	B	100	200

**Kyrgyzstan**

Grade	Maximum	Good	Average	Usual	Weed	Staple	1.1/8"	1.3/32"	1.1/16"	1.1/32"	inch
I	300	200	B	-150	-300		75	B	-50	-125	-
II	50	-125	-175	-400	-650						
III		-350	-525	-675	-850						

**Malawi**

(Roller-ginned)					(Saw-ginned)				
Staple	1.5/32"	1.1/8"	1.3/32"	1.1/16"	Staple	1.1/8"	1.3/32"	1.1/16"	1.1/32"
	50	B	-125	-300		125	B	-175	-350

**Mexican** (based on Universal Standards)

Grade	GM	SM	MID	SLM	Staple	1.1/8"	1.3/32"	1.1/16"	1.1/32"
White	175	100	B	-200		-	B	-50	-150
Light Spotted	PAR	-75	-125	-250					
Spotted	-100	-175	-275	-375					

**Mozambique**

Grade	Extra	1	2	3	4	5	6	Staple	1.1/8"	1.3/32"	1.1/16"	1.1/32"
	150	75	B	-150	-400	-650	-900		100	B	-100	-200

**Pakistan** (Sawginned)

Grade	Super	1	2	3	4	5	Staple	1.1/8"	1.3/32"	1.1/16"	1.1/32"	inch	31/32"	15/16"
	-	-	100	B	-100	-200		-	100	B	-100	-200	-	-

**Paraguayan**

Grade	No 3	No 4	No 5	No 6	No 7	No 8	Staple	1.5/32"	1.1/8"	1.3/32"	1.1/16"	1.1/32"
	200	B	-200	-350	-	-		-	50	B	-50	-

**Sudanese** ('X' represents a different staple for the grade as numbered)

BARAKAT	No 1	No X2	No 2	No X3	No 3	No X4	No 4	No X5	No 5	No X6	No 6	No C6
Grade	400	300	300	200	200	100	100	NIL	B	-100	-100	-
Staple	1200	1100	900	800	600	500	300	200	B	-100	-300	-

### Syrian (Saw-ginned)

Grade	EXTRA	ZERO	No 1	No 2	No 3	Staple	1.5/32"	1.1/8"	1.3/32"	1.1/16"	1.1/32"
	-	B	-	-	-		-	-	-	B	-

### Tanzanian (Mwanza)

#### Roller Ginned

Grade	TANG	GANY+½	GANY	GANY-½	YIKA	Staple	1.1/8"	1.3/32"	1.1/16"
	300	150	B	-150	-350		100	B	-150

#### Sawginned

Grade	TANG	GANY+½	GANY	GANY-½	YIKA	Staple	1.1/8"	1.3/32"	1.1/16"
	250	100	B	-150	-350		100	B	-100

### Turkish

#### RG IZMIR (EGE)

Grade	No 1	No 2	No 3
RG IZMIR	B	-	-
LIGHT SPOTTED	-	-	-

#### RG SOUTHEAST

Grade	EXTRA	No 1
RG SE	-	B
LIGHT SPOTTED	-	-

#### SG UPLAND

Grade	EXTRA	No 1	No 2
SG UPL'D	-	B	-
LIGHT SPOTTED	-	-	-

#### RG IZMIR (EGE)

Staple	1.5/32"	1.1/8"	1.3/32"	1.1/16"	1.1/32"
	-	B	-	-	-

#### RG SOUTHEAST

Staple	1.1/8"	1.3/32"	1.1/16"	1.1/32"	inch
	-	B	-	-	-

#### SG UPLAND

Staple	1.3/32"	1.1/16"	1.1/32"	inch
	-	B	-	-

### Turkmenistan

Grade	1	2	3	4	5	6	Staple	1.1/8"	1.3/32"	1.1/16"	1.1/32"	inch
	300	B	-200	-500	-700	-1100		125	B	-125	-175	-

### Ugandan

#### BPA

Grade	UCON	UCOB	UCOP	UCOA	UCOM	Staple	1.5/32"	1.1/8"	1.3/32"	1.1/16"	1.1/32"
	225	100	B	-150	-350		100	B	-100	-200	-

### USA California Acala SJV (based on Universal Standards)

Grade	GM	SM	MID	SLM	LM	SGO	Staple	1.1/4"	1.7/32"	1.3/16"	1.5/32"	1.1/8"	1.3/32"	1.1/16"
	200	100	B	-300	-	-		400	250	100	B	-100	-300	-500

### USA EMOT & Other Upland Cotton (based on Universal Standards)

Grade	GM	SM	MID	SLM	LM	SGO	GO	Staple	1.3/16"	1.5/32"	1.1/8"	1.3/32"	1.1/16"	1.1/32"	inch	31/32"	15/16"
White	125	100	B	-100	-300	-	-		150	75	B	-100	-200	-400	-500	-700	-800
Spotted	-25	-125	-300	-450	-600	-	-										
Tinged		-300	-500	-650	-800	-	-										

### USA Pima

Grade	1	2	3	4	5	6	Staple	1.1/2"	1.7/16"	1.3/8"	1.5/16"
	150	B	-1000	-1500	-	-		200	B	-200	-350

### Uzbekistan (Medium Staple)

Grade	OLIY	JAKSHI	URTA	ODDIY	IFLOS	Staple	1.1/8"	1.3/32"	1.1/16"	1.1/32"	inch
BIRINCHI	350	250	B	-150	-350		125	B	-125	-175	-
IKKINCHI	75	-50	-200	-450	-700						
UCHINCHI		-400	-600	-850	-1100						
TURTINCHI		-1000	-1250	-1500	-1750						
BESHINCHI		-	-	-	-						

## Uzbekistan (Long Staple)

Grade	OLYI	JAKSHI	URTA	ODDIY	IFLOS	Staple	1.7/16"	1.3/8"	1.5/16"	1.1/4"	1.3/16"
BIRINCHI	425	300	B	-300	-600		100	B	-	-	-
IKKINCHI	100	-150	-350	-625	-950						
UCHINCHI		-525	-725	-925	-1125						
TURTINCHI		-1425	-1725	-1825	-2100						
BESHINCHI			-3500	-4000	-4325						

## Zambia

(Roller-ginned)						(Saw-ginned)					
Staple	1.5/32"	1.1/8"	1.3/32"	1.1/16"		Staple	1.1/8"	1.3/32"	1.1/16"	1.1/32"	
	50	B	-125	-300			125	B	-175	-350	

## Zimbabwe

(Roller-ginned)						(Saw-ginned)					
Staple	1.5/32"	1.1/8"	1.3/32"	1.1/16"		Staple	1.1/8"	1.3/32"	1.1/16"	1.1/32"	
	50	B	-125	-300			125	B	-175	-350	

## 2) Micronaire (Please read ICA Rules 222 to 237 for further information)

**Rule 236.1** In any dispute about micronaire, the procedure in Rule 234 will apply unless the parties agree otherwise

Micronaire value below the control limit by	Percentage allowance
0.01 - 0.10	0.50
0.11 - 0.20	1.00
0.21 - 0.30	2.00
0.31 - 0.40	3.50
0.41 - 0.50	5.00
0.51 - 0.60	8.00
0.61 - 0.70	11.00
0.71 - 0.80	14.00
0.81 - 0.90	17.00
0.91 - 1.00	20.00
1.01 - 1.10	24.00

Plus 4.00% percentage allowance for each additional 0.10 of micronaire.

Micronaire value above the control limit by	Percentage allowance
0.01 - 0.10	0.50
0.11 - 0.20	1.00
0.21 - 0.30	2.00
0.31 - 0.40	3.50
0.41 - 0.50	5.00
0.51 - 0.60	8.00
0.61 - 0.70	11.00
0.71 - 0.80	14.00
0.81 - 0.90	17.00
0.91 - 1.00	20.00
1.01 - 1.10	24.00

Plus 4.00% percentage allowance for each additional 0.10 of micronaire.

## 3) Strength (Please read ICA Rules 222 to 237 for further information)

**Rule 237.1** In any dispute about strength, the procedure in Rule 234 will apply unless the parties agree otherwise

HVI grams/tex below the control limit by	Percentage allowance
0.01 to 0.50	0.20
0.51 to 1.00	0.50
1.01 to 2.00	1.25
2.01 to 3.00	2.50
3.01 to 4.00	4.75
4.01 to 5.00	7.75

Plus 3.00% percentage allowance for each additional 1.00 gram/tex.

## 4) Multipliers (Please read ICA Rules 222 to 237 for further information)

**Rule 222.4 (Grade):** Where the grade (excluding light spotted, spotted, tinged and yellow stained) is found to be below the contracted quality then the following multiplier of the value differences shall apply:

0.5 full grade - actual value difference  
 1 full grade - actual value difference  
 1.5 full grades - 1.25 x value difference  
 2 full grades - 1.5 x value difference  
 2.5 full grades - 1.75 x value difference  
 3 full grades - 2 x value difference  
 3.5 full grades - 2.25 x value difference  
 4 full grades - 2.5 x value difference  
 And so on.

N.B. 1 colour grade or 1 leaf grade is equal to half of the value of a full grade.

Please refer to the Value Differences Circular for published value differences and an explanatory note.

**Rule 222.5 (Staple):** Where the staple is found to be below the contracted quality then the following multiplier of the value differences shall apply:

1/32" - actual value difference  
 1/16" - 1.5 value difference  
 3/32" - 2 x value difference  
 1/8" - 2.5 x value difference  
 5/32" - 3 x value difference  
 3/16" - 3.5 x value difference  
 7/32" - 4 x value difference  
 And so on.

N.B. Please refer to the Value Differences Circular for published value differences.

## 5) Upland Length Conversion Table for Reference Purposes

Staple	32nd	inch			mm		
		From	Mid Point	To	From	Mid Point	To
3/4"	24	0.735	0.750	0.765	18.66	19.05	19.44
25/32"	25	0.766	0.781	0.796	19.45	19.84	20.24
13/16"	26	0.797	0.813	0.828	20.25	20.64	21.03
27/32"	27	0.829	0.844	0.859	21.04	21.43	21.82
7/8"	28	0.860	0.875	0.890	21.83	22.23	22.62
29/32"	29	0.891	0.906	0.921	22.63	23.02	23.41
15/16"	30	0.922	0.938	0.953	23.42	23.81	24.20
31/32"	31	0.954	0.969	0.984	24.21	24.61	25.00
1"	32	0.985	1.000	1.015	25.01	25.40	25.79
1.1/32"	33	1.016	1.031	1.046	25.80	26.19	26.59
1.1/16"	34	1.047	1.063	1.078	26.60	26.99	27.38
1.3/32"	35	1.079	1.094	1.109	27.39	27.78	28.17
1.1/8"	36	1.110	1.125	1.140	28.18	28.58	28.97
1.5/32"	37	1.141	1.156	1.171	28.98	29.37	29.76
1.3/16"	38	1.172	1.188	1.203	29.77	30.16	30.55
1.7/32"	39	1.204	1.219	1.234	30.56	30.96	31.35
1.1/4"	40	1.235	1.250	1.265	31.36	31.75	32.14
1.9/32"	41	1.266	1.281	1.296	32.15	32.54	32.94
1.5/16"	42	1.297	1.313	1.328	32.95	33.34	33.73