

TABLE 6
U.S. SYNTHETIC SHIPMENTS, IMPORTS AND CONSUMPTION

Million Pounds: 1970 TO 2007

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YEAR	DOMESTIC SHIPMENTS					EXPORTS	TOTAL	IMPORTS	DOMESTIC CONSUMPTION
	NYLON	ACRYLIC	POLY-ESTER	OLEFIN	TOTAL				
1970	201.2	430.7	992.9	57.3	1682.1	108.6	1790.7	57.7	1739.8
1971	330.1	463.7	1111.4	58.9	1964.1	130.5	2094.6	93.3	2057.4
1972	476.6	536.0	1286.9	63.6	2363.1	174.1	2537.2	103.7	2466.8
1973	586.8	662.0	1530.3	69.3	2848.4	233.0	3081.4	112.8	2961.2
1974	487.8	514.9	1388.1	59.7	2450.5	195.3	2645.8	73.2	2523.7
1975	557.9	467.3	1473.6	54.7	2553.5	209.9	2763.4	55.2	2608.7
1976	665.4	517.3	1777.2	58.6	3018.5	247.4	3265.9	67.3	3085.8
1977	791.7	619.8	1880.3	81.3	3373.1	270.0	3643.1	52.9	3426.0
1978	876.4	571.6	1967.5	90.0	3505.5	411.4	3916.9	60.5	3566.0
1979	913.2	546.6	2134.4	119.3	3713.5	593.2	4306.7	39.3	3752.8
1980	711.2	585.3	2071.0	115.0	3482.5	689.8	4172.3	35.6	3518.1
1981	696.4	494.1	2005.4	132.0	3327.9	820.4	4148.3	60.5	3388.4
1982	673.3	457.9	1767.5	138.9	3037.6	369.9	3407.5	51.2	3088.8
1983	897.1	492.2	2099.2	183.4	3671.9	281.5	3953.4	101.4	3773.3
1984	814.4	446.7	1992.2	240.9	3494.2	442.4	3936.6	131.1	3625.3
1985	830.3	458.7	1872.7	279.7	3441.4	372.8	3814.2	159.4	3600.8
1986	894.9	531.2	1998.6	312.7	3737.4	239.8	3977.2	182.8	3920.2
1987	966.0	479.3	2201.0	341.1	3987.4	325.6	4313.0	189.0	4176.4
1988	944.9	421.1	2311.8	344.2	4022.0	344.8	4366.8	196.2	4218.2
1989	955.3	414.8	2261.3	363.4	3994.8	253.3	4248.1	192.4	4187.2
1990	950.2	352.2	2015.4	387.9	3705.7	278.9	3984.6	209.8	3915.5
1991	835.0	319.2	2127.9	437.5	3719.6	277.8	3997.4	263.1	3982.7
1992	891.7	322.3	2202.1	441.0	3857.1	267.2	4124.3	397.9	4255.0
1993	907.9	333.0	2157.8	468.2	3866.9	297.1	4164.0	509.0	4375.9
1994	911.7	319.6	2221.3	489.0	3941.6	390.9	4332.5	622.9	4564.5
1995	828.5	266.1	2100.4	458.0	3653.0	398.7	4051.7	624.9	4277.9
1996	843.8	287.9	2015.8	514.9	3662.4	465.2	4127.6	607.7	4270.1
1997	757.2	288.6	2249.7	541.9	3837.4	391.9	4229.3	672.8	4510.2
1998	762.8	267.3	2105.0	596.4	3731.5	340.2	4071.7	777.4	4508.9
1999	756.4	232.5	2137.5	725.5	3851.9	337.8	4189.7	788.0	4639.9
2000	674.1	243.8	2173.9	757.3	3849.0	326.7	4175.7	726.7	4575.7
2001	606.9	228.3	1880.8	673.4	3389.4	308.2	3697.6	756.6	4146.0
2002	636.8	255.2	1823.0	722.7	3437.7	353.1	3790.8	874.8	4312.4
2003	673.1	210.9	1687.7	634.5	3206.2	246.2	3452.4	829.0	4035.2
2004	657.7	200.0	1787.6	641.3	3286.6	296.4	3583.0	766.1	4052.7
2005	582.3	121.9	1765.3	650.1	3119.5	291.7	3411.2	914.4	4033.9
2006	492.3	7.0	1624.3	596.1	2719.7	268.1	2987.8	1006.6	3726.3
2007	408.3	8.0	1511.7	548.5	2476.5	254.8	2731.4	1029.1	3505.6

Source: *Manufactured Fiber Handbook*

FIGURE 9
AVERAGE ANNUAL GROWTH OF STAPLE FIBER SHIPMENTS
PERCENT: 1997 TO 2007

