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Cuadro 1 - Producción de Sisal, Henequén y de otras fibras duras similares.

	1992-94 average	1995	1996	1997 Prelim.	1998 Forecast	1999 Expected
(..... Thousand tonnes)						
<u>Sisal</u>						
Angola	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	
Ethiopia	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	
Kenya	33.8	27.9	28.3	20.3	24.5	26.0
Madagascar	12.1	13.6	13.6	12.4 2/	10	
Mozambique	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	
South Africa	5.2	5.0	5.0	3.0	3.0	
Tanzania	29.5	32.0	22.0	20.0	25.0	32.8
Total, Africa	82.9	80.8	71.2	58.0	64.8	
Brazil	154.6	140.0	125.0	139.0	135.0	
Haiti	8.2	8.0	7.7	6.5	5.6	3.7
Jamaica	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	
Venezuela	8.2	10.0	10.0	8.0	8.0	
Total, Latin America	171.2	158.3	143.0	153.8	148.9	
China	32.0	40.0	40.0	35.0	35.0	
Total, other countries	32.0	40.0	40.0	35.0	35.0	
Total Sisal	286.1	279.1	254.1	246.8	248.7	
<u>Henequen</u>						
Cuba	6.5	6.0	6.0	8.7	8.0	
Mexico	40.0	43.1	37.0	36.9	35.0	
Other countries (a)	4.9	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	
Total Henequen	51.5	56.1	50.0	52.6	50.0	
<u>Total Sisal / Henequen</u>	337.6	335.2	304.2	299.4	298.7	
<u>Other Hard Fibres</u>						
Fique (Colombia)	24.2	29.1	33.4	23.8	21.4	
Phormium tenax (b)	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	
Other hard fibres (c)	12.0	12.0	12.0	12.0	12.0	
Total, Other Hard Fibres	44.2	49.1	53.4	43.8	41.4	
<u>TOTAL, HARD FIBRES (d)</u>	<u>381.8</u>	<u>384.3</u>	<u>357.6</u>	<u>343.2</u>	<u>340.1</u>	

(a) Dominican Rep., El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua

(b) Estimates of/ Estimation de/ Estimación de : Argentina, Chile, South Africa.

(c) Estimates of/ Estimation de/ Estimación de:

Brazil(caroa), Costa Rica(cabuya), El Salvador(letona),

Ethiopia(banana and doum), Mauritius(aloë), Philippines(maguey), Reunion Aloe)

(d) Excluding abaca and coir/ non-compris l'abaca et les fibres de coco / excluyendo el abacá y el bonote

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	1992-94 average	1995	1996	1997 Revised	1998 Estimate	1999 Expected
(..... Thousand tonnes)						
Brazil						
fibre	39.7	31.7	38.1	52.0	35.0	
cordage	67.5	73.2	49.3	61.1	75.0	
Total	107.2	104.9	87.4	113.1	110.0	
Haiti						
fibre	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
cordage	5.8	4.0	2.6	2.5	2.2	1.5
Total	6.8	5.0	3.6	3.5	3.2	2.5
Kenya						
fibre	28.0	23.8	22.5	17.9	20.7	22.8
cordage	1.8	2.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
oth. manuf.	1.4	3.2	4.8	4.5	3.5	5.1
Total	31.2	29.0	27.3	22.4	24.3	27.9
Madagascar						
fibre	10.0	11.2	11.2	11.2	11.2	
cordage	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	
Total	11.9	13.2	13.2	13.2	13.2	
Mexico						
fibre	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
cordage	7.2	7.2	7.2	7.2	7.2	
oth. manuf.	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	
Total	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.2	
Mozambique						
fibre	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	
cordage	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	
Total	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	
Tanzania						
fibre	5.2	3.0	3.1	3.7	4.2	4.2
cordage	15.0	13.0	8.5	8.0	7.0	11.0
pulp	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
other prod.(yarn)	0.7	3.9	3.0	4.0	5.0	6.0
Total	21.9	20.9	15.6	15.7	16.2	21.2
Other countries (b)						
fibre	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	
cordage	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	
Total	11.5	11.5	11.5	11.5	11.5	
TOTAL						
fibre	87.9	74.7	79.9	89.8	76.1	
manufactures	110.5	119.0	87.8	98.8	111.5	
TOTAL	198.4	193.7	167.8	188.6	187.5	

(a) Fibre includes tow / La fibre comprend l'étoile / La fibra incluye la estopa.

(b) China, Costa Rica, Cuba, El Salvador, South Africa, Venezuela

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Tableau 3 - Sisal: Prix de qualités représentatives, 1980-98 (a)

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		East African		Brazil
		3L	UG	No.3
		(..... US \$ per tonne c.i.f. European ports)		
Annual average				
1980		787	765	657
1981		687	644	628
1982		623	593	566
1983		638	571	484
1984		651	583	486
1985		619	525	442
1986		613	513	442
1987		612	512	437
1988		643	540	490
1989		710	651	511
1990		735	705	531
1991		667	639	400
1992		509	479	370
1993		668	616	451
1994		772	654	542
1995		776	721	582
1996		976	870	660
1997		925	781	647
1998 :	January	915	770	600
	February	915	775	580
	March	925	790	570
	April	925	790	570
	May	960	815	570
	June	975	830	570
	July	995	850	575
	August	995	850	580
	September	995	850	580
	October	995	850	580

'(a) Average of weekly quotations, excluding surcharges for buyers account

Moyenne des cours hebdomadaires, non compris frais supplémentaires au compte de l'acheteur.

Promedio de las cotizaciones semanales, excluidos recargos a cuenta del comprador

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Cuadro 4 - Precios de mercado estimados para los bramantes agrícolas de sisal/henequén y de polipropileno

	1992-94 average	1995	1996	1997	1998
Sisal Baler Twine	(..... US \$ / Bale)				
Western Europe	10.76 - 15.58	16.00 - 20.00	14.00 - 18.50	14.80 - 19.00	17.00 - 19.00
United States	13.83 - 16.00	17.50 - 18.50	17.50 - 18.75	19.00 - 20.00	18.20 - 19.25
PP Baler Twine	(..... US \$ / Bale)				
Western Europe	10.00 - 14.33	19.00 - 21.00	15.10 - 17.75	13.50 - 22.00	13.50
United States	14.47 - 16.17	17.50 - 20.50	14.80 - 17.00	15.75 - 22.38	13.00

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	Bangladesh	India	Myanmar	Nepal	Thailand	Others	TOTAL
(..... lakh bales)							
Opening stocks	20.42	26.69	1.70	0.07	8.25		
Production	40.00	80.00	2.19	0.78	5.65	24.19	152.81
Imports	0.00	3.00	0.00	0.00	0.11		
<u>Total Supply</u>	<u>60.42</u>	<u>109.69</u>	<u>3.89</u>	<u>0.85</u>	<u>14.01</u>		
Mill Consumption	28.50	92.00	1.28	0.83	2.22		
Village Consumption	4.00	7.00	0.33	0.00	0.00		
Closing stocks	7.92	10.69	2.01	0.02	11.68		
<u>Total Domestic Requirements</u>	<u>40.42</u>	<u>109.69</u>	<u>3.62</u>	<u>0.85</u>	<u>13.90</u>		
<u>Exports</u>	<u>20.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.28</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.11</u>		
(..... thousand tonnes)							
Opening stocks	367.6	480.4	30.6	1.3	148.5		
Production	720.0	1 440.0	39.5	14.0	101.7	435.4	2 750.6
Imports	0.0	54.0	0.0	0.0	2.0		
<u>Total Supply</u>	<u>1 087.6</u>	<u>1 974.4</u>	<u>70.1</u>	<u>15.3</u>	<u>252.2</u>		
Mill Consumption	513.0	1 656.0	23.0	15.0	40.0		
Village Consumption	72.0	126.0	6.0	0.0	0.0		
Closing stocks	142.6	192.4	36.1	0.3	210.2		
<u>Total Domestic Requirements</u>	<u>727.6</u>	<u>1 974.4</u>	<u>65.1</u>	<u>15.3</u>	<u>250.2</u>		
<u>Exports</u>	<u>360.0</u>	<u>0.0</u>	<u>5.0</u>	<u>0.0</u>	<u>2.0</u>		

Table 6 - Production of Jute, Kenaf and Allied Fibres
Tableau 6 - Production de jute, k  naf et de fibres apparent  es
Cuadro 6 - Producci  n de yute, kenaf y fibras afines

	1992/93-1994/95 average	1995/96	1996/97	1997/98	1998/99 Forecast
(. thousand tonnes)					
<u>Kenaf and Allied fibres:</u>					
World	963.1	753.4	774.8	847.8	777.1
Developing countries	955.9	746.0	767.4	840.4	769.7
Far East	908.7	708.4	724.4	795.6	722.0
China	548.5	371.2	364.9	429.5	350.0
India	192.9	207.5	229.9	240.0	240.0
Cambodia	1.9	1.0	0.9	0.9	0.8
Indonesia	8.2	4.3	3.4	3.8	7.2
VietNam	20.6	9.5	14.8	15.0	22.3
Thailand	136.5	114.9	110.5	106.4	101.7
Latin America	33.0	24.6	24.4	24.6	26.7
Brazil	20.6	12.2	12.0	11.8	13.6
Cuba	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Africa	9.1	8.2	8.8	8.7	9.0
Near East	5.1	4.8	9.8	11.5	12.0
Developed countries	7.2	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.4
<u>Jute fibre:</u>					
World	2 145.2	1 961.1	2 721.8	3 014.9	1 973.5
Developing countries	2 145.2	1 961.1	2 721.8	3 014.9	1 973.5
Far East	2 145.2	1 961.1	2 721.8	3 014.9	1 973.5
Bangladesh	898.4	652.7	1 062.2	1 242.7	720.0
India	1 202.5	1 250.5	1 606.1	1 722.0	1 200.0
Myanmar	33.4	43.0	39.5	36.2	39.5
Nepal	10.9	14.9	14.0	14.0	14.0
<u>Total Jute, Kenaf and Allied Fibres:</u>					
World	3 108.2	2 714.5	3 496.6	3 862.7	2 750.6
Developing countries	3 101.0	2 707.1	3 489.2	3 855.3	2 743.2
Far East	3 053.9	2 669.5	3 446.2	3 810.5	2 695.5
Bangladesh	898.4	652.7	1 062.2	1 242.7	720.0
China	548.5	371.2	364.9	429.5	350.0
India	1 395.4	1 458.0	1 836.0	1 962.0	1 440.0
Cambodia	1.9	1.0	0.9	0.9	0.8
Indonesia	8.2	4.3	3.4	3.8	7.2
Myanmar	33.4	43.0	39.5	36.2	39.5
Nepal	10.9	14.9	14.0	14.0	14.0
VietNam	20.6	9.5	14.8	15.0	22.3
Thailand	136.5	114.9	110.5	106.4	101.7
Latin America	33.0	24.6	24.4	24.6	26.7
Africa	9.1	8.2	8.8	8.7	9.0
Near East	5.1	4.8	9.8	11.5	12.0
Developed countries	7.2	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.4

Table 7 - Closing Stocks and Mill Consumption of Jute, Kenaf and Allied fibres in the major producing countries
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	1992/93	1993/94	1994/95	1995/96	1996/97	1997/98	1998/99 Forecast
(..... thousand tonnes)							
<u>Stocks of fibre</u>							
<u>end of season</u>							
Bangladesh	227.0	167.3	256.0	89.5	189.6	367.6	142.6
India	347.4	184.9	169.9	93.4	334.6	480.4	192.4
Myanmar	22.9	10.1	9.1	18.4	28.3	30.6	36.1
Nepal	14.9	10.9	5.3	4.3	2.3	1.3	0.3
Thailand	44.9	39.3	58.7	55.7	86.3	148.5	210.2
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>657.1</u>	<u>412.5</u>	<u>499.0</u>	<u>261.3</u>	<u>641.1</u>	<u>1 028.4</u>	<u>581.6</u>
<u>Mill Consumption</u>							
Bangladesh	547.6	534.9	556.4	525.5	534.2	559.8	513.0
India	1 429.2	1 467.5	1 436.9	1 458.0	1 522.8	1 735.2	1 656.0
Myanmar	35.0	35.0	26.7	27.3	21.6	22.9	23.0
Nepal	18.0	15.0	15.0	15.0	15.0	15.0	15.0
Thailand	158.2	163.0	125.0	120.0	77.0	43.7	40.0
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>2 188.0</u>	<u>2 215.4</u>	<u>2 160.0</u>	<u>2 145.8</u>	<u>2 170.6</u>	<u>2 376.6</u>	<u>2 247.0</u>
<i>Percent of stocks to mill consumption</i>	<u>30.0</u>	<u>18.6</u>	<u>23.1</u>	<u>12.2</u>	<u>29.5</u>	<u>43.3</u>	<u>25.9</u>

Jute Stocks and BWD Price - Stocks de jute et BWD prix
Existencias de yute y precio de la calidad BWD

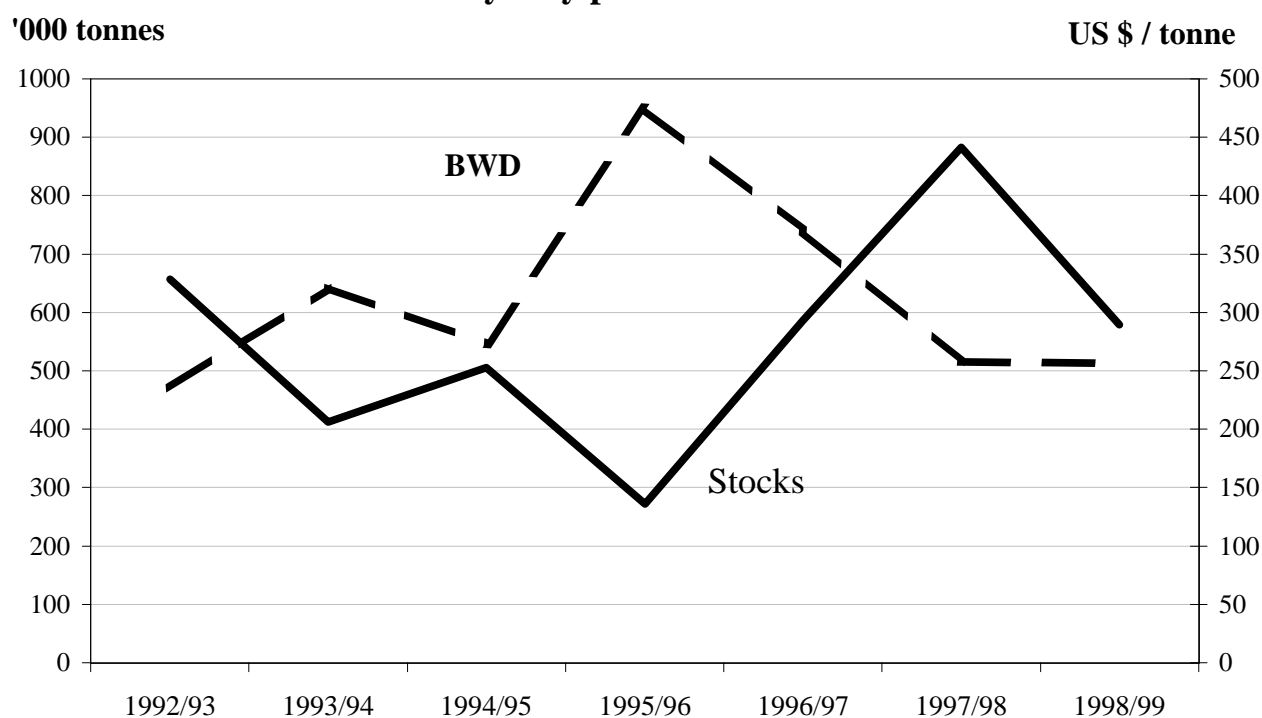


Table 8 - Exports of Jute, Kenaf and Allied Fibres (crop year)

Tableau 8 - Exportations de jute et de kénaf: fibre et articles en fibre (campagne agricole)

Cuadro 8 - Exportaciones de fibras de yute y kenaf y de sus productos (campana agrícola)

	1992/93-1994/95 average	1995/96	1996/97	1997/98	1998/99 Forecast
(. thousand tonnes)					
<u>Kenaf and Allied fibres:</u>					
World	23.1	9.1	7.3	3.7	
Developing countries	23.1	9.1	7.3	3.7	
Far East	23.1	9.1	7.3	3.7	
China	17.9	6.0	3.5	1.0	
Thailand	5.2	3.1	3.8	2.7	
Other Developing	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Developed countries	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
<u>Jute fibre:</u>					
World	304.8	233.9	372.3	454.3	
Developing countries	292.7	222.4	362.1	440.3	
Far East	292.5	222.4	361.9	440.1	
Bangladesh	279.3	214.9	355.8	432.9	360.0
India	3.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Myanmar	2.9	1.4	2.0	5.0	
Nepal	3.8	1.0	1.0	-	
Other Developing	0.2	0.0	0.2	0.2	
Developed countries	12.1	11.5	10.2	14.0	
<u>Total Jute, Kenaf and Allied Fibres:</u>					
World	327.9	243.0	379.6	458.0	
Developing countries	315.8	231.5	369.4	444.0	
Far East	315.6	231.5	369.2	443.8	
Bangladesh	279.3	214.9	355.8	432.9	360.0
China	17.9	6.0	3.5	1.0	
India	3.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Myanmar	2.9	1.4	2.0	5.0	
Nepal	3.8	1.0	1.0	-	
Thailand	5.2	3.1	3.8	2.7	
Other Developing	0.2	0.0	0.2	0.2	
Developed countries	12.1	11.5	10.2	14.0	

Table 9 - Imports of Jute, Kenaf and Allied Fibres (crop year)

Tableau 9 - Importations de jute et de kénaf: fibre et articles en fibre (campagne agricole)

Cuadro 9 - Importaciones de fibras de yute y kenaf y de sus productos (campaña agrícola)

	1992/93-1994/95 average	1995/96	1996/97	1997/98	1998/99 Forecast
(. thousand tonnes)					
WORLD TOTAL	323.1	287.4	382.8	461.3	
Developing countries	255.3	227.8	333.2	415.2	
Africa	37.4	44.3	42.4	51.1	
Algeria	1.9	3.2	4.4	4.0	
Cote d'Ivoire	17.9	21.0	15.5	25.0	
Morocco	5.7	12.8	16.3	15.0	
Tunisia	2.1	0.1	0.3	1.4	
Latin America	17.0	10.1	19.0	12.8	
Brazil	10.8	6.1	9.2	5.4	
Cuba	3.5	1.0	7.2	5.0	
El Salvador	0.6	0.3	0.1	0.4	
Nicaragua	1.2	2.4	1.9	2.0	
Near East	29.2	29.3	28.9	33.9	
Egypt	14.6	12.2	21.7	25.3	
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	5.6	5.0	1.9	2.0	
Turkey	7.4	10.0	3.6	4.0	
Far East	171.7	144.1	242.9	317.4	
China	3.2	31.7	100.0	180.0	
India	28.7	31.5	45.0	45.0	54.0
Indonesia	22.8	8.6	4.3	7.7	
Pakistan	83.2	59.8	80.0	80.0	
Thailand	33.2	11.3	11.7	2.2	
Developed countries	67.8	59.7	49.7	46.1	
North America	7.2	6.3	4.6	2.3	
Europe	38.0	34.7	27.5	28.1	
E.C. (15)	26.4	27.2	19.7	22.6	
Belgium-Lux	6.0	3.7	3.1	4.8	
France	2.1	3.0	3.1	2.9	
Spain	1.2	4.5	1.8	1.7	
Netherlands	0.4	1.1	0.7	0.5	
United Kingdom	11.6	7.7	5.3	7.3	
Area of Former USSR	12.7	8.0	7.5	5.0	
Oceania	5.2	4.8	4.8	4.7	
Australia	5.2	4.8	4.7	4.7	
Other Developed	4.8	5.8	5.2	6.0	
Japan	3.4	4.0	3.2	3.0	

Table 10 - Exports of jute products (calendar year)

Tableau 10 - Exportations de produits du jute (année civile)

Cuadro 10 - Exportaciones de fibras de yute y kenaf y de sus productos (campana agricola)

	1992-1994 average	1995	1996	1997 Preliminary
(..... thousand tonnes)				
WORLD TOTAL	903.8	829.7	735.5	688.3
Developing countries	812.3	737.5	649.8	604.2
Far East	810.5	736.0	640.1	595.2
Bangladesh	499.1	437.6	417.6	379.0
China	45.6	29.9	16.7	6.6
India	192.9	219.4	174.7	187.5
Nepal	10.1	10.0	10.0	10.0
Thailand	55.0	34.1	17.3	10.7
Other Developing	1.8	1.5	9.7	9.0
Developed countries	91.4	92.2	85.7	84.1
Europe	68.2	78.9	70.2	71.4

Table 11 - Imports of jute products (calendar year)

Tableau 11 - Importations de produits du jute (année civile)

Cuadro 11 - Importaciones de fibras de yute y kenaf y de sus productos (campana agricola)

	1992-1994 average	1995	1996	1997 Preliminary
(..... thousand tonnes)				
WORLD TOTAL	888.4	811.2	767.9	703.0
Developing countries	352.1	293.0	306.4	240.8
Africa	63.1	47.1	47.0	38.8
Latin America	16.7	17.7	15.4	14.4
Argentina	3.3	4.8	4.7	4.0
Brazil	2.1	2.5	2.9	4.2
Mexico	3.5	4.7	3.0	3.0
Near East	215.5	189.3	202.6	158.0
Egypt	13.9	12.9	13.8	12.0
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	46.4	19.2	42.4	20.0
Syria	55.4	51.7	55.7	50.0
Sudan	61.3	50.0	25.6	25.0
Turkey	28.2	41.2	52.9	40.0
Far East	56.8	38.9	41.4	29.6
China	3.9	6.8	4.2	3.5
Indonesia	19.4	3.4	12.6	4.4
Korea Rep.	5.2	5.2	6.1	5.0
Pakistan	4.4	7.4	11.8	12.0
Developed countries	536.4	518.2	461.5	462.2
North America	83.7	92.4	60.0	71.8
Europe	303.3	293.9	292.1	275.4
E.C. (15)	295.6	286.3	282.5	267.5
Belgium-Lux	137.8	142.1	135.8	125.6
United Kingdom	42.6	38.3	41.3	44.3
Area of Former USSR	53.3	39.0	30.0	30.0
Oceania	46.1	44.9	37.6	46.5
Other Developed	50.0	48.0	41.8	38.5

Table 12 - Production of abaca
Tableau 12 - Production d'abaca
Cuadro 12 - Producción de abacá

	1992-94 average	1995	1996	1997 Revised	1998 Estimate	1999 Expected
(..... Thousand tonnes)						
Ecuador	11.1	12.4	13.6	13.9	14.6	13.0
Philippines	62.0	63.8	69.5	66.3	72.5	74.0
Other countries	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
TOTAL	74.1	77.2	84.1	81.2	88.1	88.0

Table 13 - Abaca: Exports of fibre and manufactures from producing countries
Tableau 13 - Abaca: Exportations de fibres et de produits manufactures des pays producteurs.
Cuadro 13 - Abacá: Exportaciones de fibras y manufacturas de los países productores.

	1992-94 average	1995	1996	1997 Revised	1998 Estimate	1999 Expected
(..... Thousand tonnes)						
Ecuador						
Fibre	11.0	12.3	13.5	13.2	13.7	13.7
Cordage (a)	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Total	11.1	12.4	13.6	13.3	13.8	13.8
Philippines						
Fibre	17.0	19.3	17.9	17.7	18.5	19.5
Cordage (a)	8.3	8.1	7.4	8.4	9.0	9.5
Pulp (a)	11.5	11.5	13.2	13.5	15.8	16.7
Other (a)	2.7	4.6	2.8	2.9	3.0	3.3
Total	39.6	43.5	41.3	42.5	46.3	49.0
TOTAL EXPORTS	50.7	55.9	54.9	55.8	60.1	62.8
TOTAL (Fibre equivalent)						
Fibre	28.1	31.6	31.4	30.9	32.2	33.2
Cordage (b)	8.8	8.6	7.9	9.0	9.6	10.1
Pulp (b)	23.1	23.0	26.4	27.0	31.6	33.4
Other (b)	3.0	5.1	3.1	3.2	3.3	3.7
TOTAL	63.0	68.3	68.9	70.1	76.7	80.4
Of which:						
Philippines	51.8	55.9	55.3	56.2	62.1	67.4
Ecuador	11.1	12.4	13.6	13.9	14.6	13.0

(a) Product weight/ Poids de produits/ En peso del producto.
(b) Equivalent fibre/ Equivalent de Fibre / Equivalente en Fibra.

Table 14 - Abaca: Prices of representative grades, 1980-98 (a)

Tableau 14 - Abaca: Prix de qualites representatives, 1980-98 (a)

Cuadro 14 - Abacá: Precios de las calidades representativas, 1980-98 (a)

	PHILIPPINES				ECUADOR	
	Hand-cleaned non-Davao				Average export unit value (all grades)	
	S2	G	JK	Indicator Price		
Year	f.o.b. Manila port US \$ per 125 Kg. bale			f.o.b. US\$ per bale	c.i.f. US\$ per ton	f.o.b. US\$ per bale
1980	110	92	62	87.9	903	
1981	102	83	65	83.4	867	
1982	100	85	68	84.3	875	
1983	109	92	72	91.3	930	101
1984	172	127	104	134.0	1,272	106
1985	119	86	78	94.0	952	111
1986	93	65	58	71.9	775	110
1987	93	69	54	71.8	775	109
1988	121	97	70	96.0	968	104
1989	134	108	85	109.2	1,073	101
1990	140	104	85	109.5	1,076	97
1991	151	115	84	116.9	1,135	98
1992	194	173	107	157.6	1,462	92
1993	200	170	135	168.4	1,547	92
1994	204	176	150	176.7	1,613	98
1995	188	160	150	166.0	1,529	123
1996	205	160	152	172.0	1,577	134
1997	184	147	145	159.0	1,472	136
1998 January	155	136	134	141.7	1,333	129
February	151	134	131	138.7	1,309	137
March	148	131	131	136.7	1,293	135
April	145	129	121	131.7	1,253	131
May	145	129	121	131.7	1,253	130
June	144	130	121	131.7	1,253	121
July	144	131	116	130.3	1,243	122
August	144	132	114	130.0	1,240	118
September	143	130	114	129.0	1,232	124
October	143	130	108	127.0	1,216	117

(a) Average of weekly quotations, excluding surcharges for buyers' account.

Moyenne des cours hebdomadaires, non compris frais supplementaires aux compte de l'acheteur.

Promedio da las cotizaciones semanales,excluidos recargos a cuenta del comprador.

(b) C.i.f. equivalent in \$/tonne of the indicator price which, as of 1.1.1982, has been expressed in \$/bale f.o.b.

Equivalent c.a.f. en \$/tonne du prix indicateur que, depuis 1.1.1982, est exprime en \$/balle f.o.b.

Equivalente C.i.f. en \$/ton del precio indicador que, a partir del 1.1.1982, se ha expresado en \$/bala f.o.b.

Table 15 - Production of coir fibre

Tableau 15 - Production de fibre de coco

Cuadro 15 - Producción de bonote

	1992-94 average	1995	1996	1997 Revised	1998 Estimate	1999 Expected
(..... Thousand tonnes)						
India (Brown fibre)	112.4	135.6	136.0	149.0	169.0	200.0
Sri Lanka	67.9	64.0	55.8	58.3	60.7	66.3
Thailand	8.2	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.7
Other countries	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
TOTAL	189.5	209.3	201.5	217.0	239.4	276.0
India (White fibre for yarn production)	127.0	127.7	127.7	127.0	127.0	114.0

Table 16 - Production of coir yarn.

Tableau 16 - Production de files de coco

Cuadro 16 - Producción de hilo de bonote

	1992-94 average	1995	1996	1997 Revised	1998 Estimate	1999 Expected
(..... Thousand tonnes)						
India	171.3	195.8	210.0	230.0	241.0	250.0
Sri Lanka	4.5	2.6	4.4	4.3	3.8	4.2
Thailand	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
TOTAL	176.8	199.4	215.4	235.3	245.8	255.2

Table 17 - Exports of coir fibre from producing countries.

Tableau 17 - Exportations de fibre de coco par les pays producteurs.

Cuadro 17 - Exportaciones de bonote de los países productores

	1992-94 average	1995	1996	1997 Revised	1998 Estimate	1999 Expected
(..... Thousand tonnes)						
Sri Lanka						
bristle fibre / fibre a brosse	7.6	6.8	5.5	5.7	6.0	6.9
twisted fibre / fibre torsee	21.5	19.3	18.6	18.1	20.0	21.8
mattress fibre / fibre a matelas	27.0	29.5	24.4	26.1	25.1	27.6
Total, Sri Lanka	56.1	55.6	48.5	49.9	51.2	56.3
China -HongKong	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.7	
India	1.4	1.6	1.1	0.9	1.0	1.2
Indonesia	0.2	0.7	0.9	0.6	0.6	
Malaysia	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	
Philippines	0.5	1.1	1.9	2.1	2.1	
Thailand	8.4	4.3	3.3	2.3	2.3	
Singapore	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.2	
Total, Far East	67.6	64.3	56.6	56.7	58.2	
Tanzania	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	
Total, Africa	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	
Mexico	1.3	2.0	1.1	1.5	1.5	
Venezuela	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.4	
Total, Latin America	1.4	2.0	1.1	1.9	1.9	
World Total	69.2	66.4	57.8	58.7	60.2	

Table 18 - Exports of coir yarn from producing countries.

Tableau 18 - Exportations de files de coco par les pays producteurs.

Cuadro 18 - Exportaciones de hilo de bonote de los países productores

	1992-94 average	1995	1996	1997 Revised	1998 Estimate	1999 Expected
(..... Thousand tonnes)						
India	16.3	17.9	13.6	15.9	17.5	20.0
Sri Lanka 1/	3.3	2.3	3.9	2.1	1.9	2.0
Thailand	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5
Total above countries	20.1	20.7	18.0	18.5	19.8	22.5

1/ - Includes Twine/Y compris de ficelle/Se incluyen bramante

Table 19 - Exports of coir mats, mattings and rugs from principal exporting countries. (a)

Tableau 19 - Exportations de tapis brosses, nattes et passages et carpettes de coco par les principaux pays exportateurs

Cuadro 19 - Exportaciones de esterass, material de esterado y alfombras de bonote de los principales países exportadores

	1992-94 average	1995	1996	1997 Revised	1998 Estimate	1999 Expected
(..... Thousand tonnes)						
India	20.9	28.9	23.9	24.0	26.8	29.1
Sri Lanka	0.0	0.6	0.7	0.3	0.5	0.6
Belgium	0.5	0.7	1.0	0.2		
Denmark	0.6	0.6	0.3	0.1		
France	1.1	0.2	0.2	0.3		
Germany	1.2	0.9	0.7	0.8		
Italy	0.7	0.8	0.7	0.8		
Netherlands	3.2	3.3	3.2	0.4		
Portugal	1.2	1.7	1.4	1.8		
Spain	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.0		
Sweden	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.5		
United Kingdom	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1		
Total above countries	29.5	38.0	32.8	29.3		

(a) Product weight / Poids de produit/ Producto cargado

Table 20 - Imports of coir mats, matting and rugs into principal importing countries. (a)

Tableau 20 - Importations de tapis-brosses, nattes et passages et carpettes de coco dans les principaux pays importateurs. (a)

Cuadro 20 - Importaciones de estereras, material de esterado y alfombras de bonote en los países importadores

	1992-94 average	1995	1996 Revised	1997 Preliminary
(..... Thousand tonnes)				
Austria	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3
Belgium	0.5	0.5	1.7	1.1
Denmark	0.5	0.4	0.6	0.6
Finland	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0
France	1.8	1.8	3.1	2.6
Germany	3.1	4.1	4.3	4.0
Greece	0.4	0.1	0.3	0.4
Ireland	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.0
Italy	1.8	1.0	1.7	1.7
Netherlands	1.1	2.3	2.4	2.6
Portugal	0.5	0.2	0.3	0.3
Spain	0.4	0.3	1.0	1.1
Sweden	0.2	0.6	0.8	0.9
United Kingdom	3.3	3.0	4.2	4.3
Total, E.C.	14.0	14.7	20.8	19.9
Norway	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Switzerland	0.6	0.8	0.6	0.6
TOTAL EUROPE	14.6	15.5	21.5	20.6
Australia (b)	0.7	1.2	1.2	0.9
Canada (b)	0.4	0.3	0.0	0.0
Japan	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.2
Area of the former U.S.S.R	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.6
United States	5.3	6.9	4.1	6.5
Other developed	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8
DEVELOPED C'S	22.9	25.6	28.5	29.6
DEVELOPING C'S	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5
TOTAL, ABOVE C'S	23.4	26.1	29.0	30.1

(a) Product weight. /Poids de produit.

(b) Converted from data expressed in surface area.

Converti de donnees exprimees en surface des produits.

Table 21 - Net imports of coir yarn into principal importing countries.

Tableau 21 - Importations nettes de files de coco dans les principaux pays importateurs.

Cuadro 21 - Importaciones netas de hilo de bonote en los psíses importadores.

	1992-94 average	1995	1996 Revised	1997 Preliminary
(..... Thousand tonnes)				
Belgium	0.5	0.8	0.2	0.4
Denmark	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.2
France	1.8	2.6	1.9	2.3
Germany	1.6	0.0	1.0	1.4
Italy	2.9	3.6	3.1	3.8
Netherlands	2.3	2.8	2.4	2.1
Portugal	1.0	1.0	0.9	0.7
Spain	0.5	0.4	0.1	0.1
United Kingdom	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.7
Total, E.C.	11.5	12.2	10.5	11.7
Poland	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Switzerland	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0
Area of the former Yug	0.2	0.2	0.0	0.0
TOTAL EUROPE	12.0	12.6	10.7	11.8
South Africa	0.2	0.2		
United States	3.1	3.8	4.6	4.9
DEVELOPED C'S	15.3	16.6	15.3	16.7
Morocco	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
Pakistan	0.8	1.1	1.0	1.0 *
Saudi Arabia	0.2	0.2
Turkey	0.4	0.5	0.5	...
Other developing c's	0.5	0.5		
DEVELOPING C'S	2.0	2.5	1.7	1.2
TOTAL, ABOVE C'S	<u>17.3</u>	<u>19.1</u>	<u>17.1</u>	<u>17.9</u>

Table 22 - Comparative prices of jute and synthetic products
Tableau 22 - Prix comparés des produits jutiers et synthétiques
Cuadro 22 - Precios comparativos del yute y los productos sintéticos

1992/93 1993/94 1994/95 1995/96 1996/97 1997/98									1998		
									1st Q.	2nd Q.	3rd Q.
Jute BWD 1/	Fob Chit.-Chalna	(US\$/tonne)	235.0	321.3	272.9	474.7	370.2	257.8	245.0	259.2	260.0
Kenaf "A"	Fob Bangkok	(US\$/tonne)	364.0	364.0	n.q.	n.q.	n.q.	n.q.			
Jute BTD	C&F 3months UK	(US\$/tonne)	333.0	382.8	356.6	587.0	440.5	347.3	332.0	353.0	n.a.
Hessian 40"/10 oz		(US\$/100 yards)									
Bangladesh			14.56	15.35	17.21	23.97	24.59	18.26	16.99	16.91	16.96
India			15.06	16.95	19.74	24.79	23.14	21.77	21.22	20.97	
Sacking B-Twill		(US\$/100 bags)									
Bangladesh			38.48	38.84	39.54	51.24	61.66	52.06	48.30	46.79	44.14
India			44.00	46.90	51.40	65.80	60.20	53.60	57.37	55.60	
Carpet Backing Cloth		(US\$/tonne)									
Bangladesh		(5.5oz/36")	633.2	597.1	702.7	818.8	848.0	778.8			
India		(150"x5.5oz)	677.0	617.0	700.7	908.6	806.6	866.7			
Yarn											
Thailand		(US\$/tonne)	730	692	693	767	917	746	564.7		
1992 1993 1994 1995 1996 1997									1998		
									1st Q.	2nd Q.	3rd Q.
Propylene	Contract prices	(US\$/tonne)	356	288	309	524	383	465	409	322	280
		(DM/tonne)	556	476	498	748	578	809	745	580	505
Polypropylene	Raffia grade	(US\$/tonne)	688	559	717	1,066	832	837	750	629	586
		(DM/kg)	1.00	0.93	1.15	1.53	1.26	1.45	1.36	1.13	1.05

1/ - From January 1997 f.o.b. Mongla

Table 23 - Ratio of prices of Jute fibre and products to those of competing materials

Tableau 23 - Rapport de prix de la fibre et des articles de jute et de matériaux concurrents

Cuadro 23 - Relación de precios entre la fibra y productos de yute y los materiales competitivos

	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998		
	(.....percent.....)						1st Q.	2nd Q.	3rd Q.
A) - Jute fibre and PP polymer in W.E.	53	61	55	51	64	45	44	57	n.a.
B) - Yarn of Jute and PP in UK	77	75	72	62	65	60	54	53	53
C) - Hessian cloth of Jute and PP in UK	93	104	114	105	105	91	84	81	82
D) - Secondary CB of Jute and PP in UK	72	86	94	104	114	89	85	85	85
E) - Sacks 24x40 of Jute and PP in UK	190	241	230	215	215	215	242	242	246

A) - Figures express average prices for jute fibre BTD C&F (UK) as percentage of those of polypropylene

B) - Figures express average prices for 482tex of jute as percentage of those PP 2500 denier

C) - Figures express average prices for jute 40"/10oz as percentage of those of PP 85g/m²

D) - Figures express average prices for jute 5.5oz as percentage of those of PP 31x24

E) - Figures express average prices for imported sacks of Jute 7.5oz/40" as percentage of those PP 70g/m² imported sacks

A) - Prix moyens de la fibre de jute BTD C&F (Royaume-Uni) en pourcentage de ceux du polypropylène

B) - Prix moyens du fil de jute 482tex en pourcentage de ceux du fil de PP 2500 derniers

C) - Prix moyens du hessian de jute 40"/10 onces en pourcentage de ceux du hessian de PP 85g/m²

D) - Prix moyens des dossiers secondaires de tapis en jute 5,5 onces en pourcentage des ceux en PP 31x24

E) - Prix moyens des sacs importés en jute 7,5 onces/40" en pourcentage de ceux en PP 70g/m²

A) - Las cifras indican precios medios de la fibra de yute BTD C&F (RU) en porcentaje de los del polipropileno

B) - Las cifras indican precios medios del tejido de yute de 482 en porcentaje de los de PP del 2500 dernier

C) - Las cifras indican precios medios del tejido de yute de 40"/10oz en porcentaje de los de PP 85g/m²

D) - Las cifras indican precios medios del yute 5,5oz en porcentaje de los de PP 31x24

E) - Las cifras indican precios medios de los sacos importados de yute 7,5oz/40" en porcentaje de los sacosimportados de PP 70g/m²