

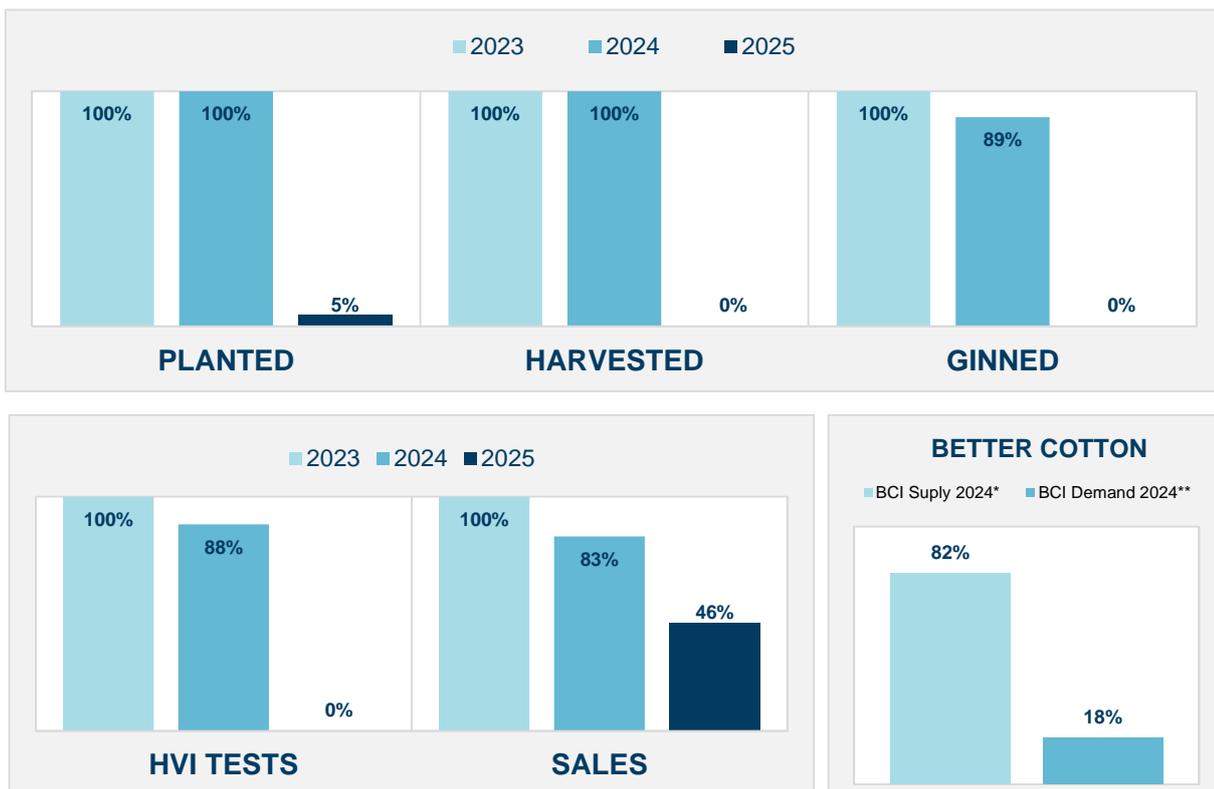


1. HIGHLIGHTS

- As of December 12th, **89% of the 2024 cotton crop had been ginned in Brazil and 88% of the cotton bales produced had been HVI tested.**
- 2025 Crop Planting: **5% of the area expected to be planted for the 2025 crop had been sown** by the time this report was closed.
- In November, Brazil exported **299.5 thousand tonnes** of cotton, achieving a total of **861.8 thousand tonnes** in the 2024/25 marketing year (Aug/24 to Nov/24). This remains as **the best performance in Brazilian history in the first five months of the marketing year.**
- In the "Made In Brazil" section, read about Brazilian cotton's **carbon footprint** study, Abrapa joining the **Make the Label Count** coalition and the latest **quality report.**

2. STATUS OF BRAZIL'S COTTON CROP

*Market Year: Aug-24 to Jul-25



* Percentage of cotton sold by growers to merchants

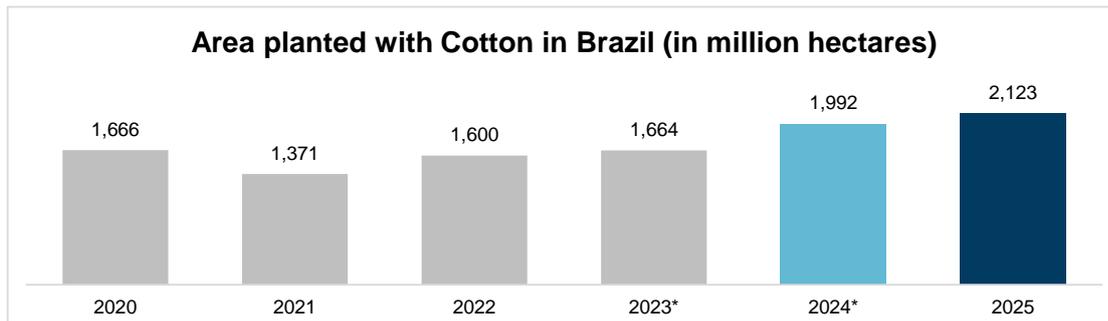
* Better Cotton licensed cotton volume in Brazil as a % of total Brazilian cotton production (2024 Crop year)

** Better Cotton Claimed Units claimed by buyers (2025 Crop year)

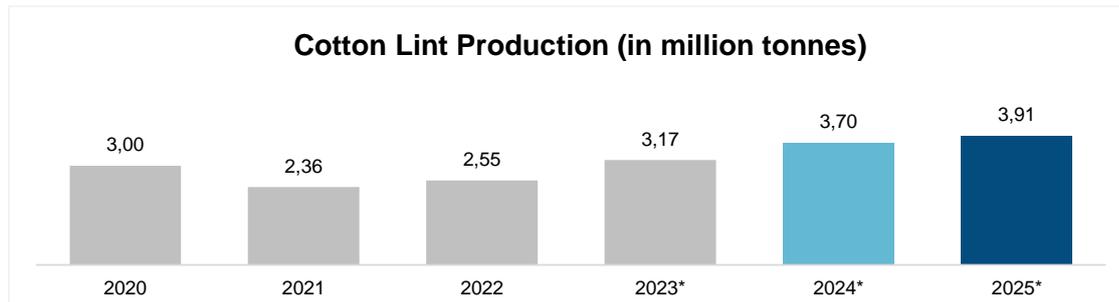


3. 2024 AND 2025 CROPS

In December, Abrapa updated its estimate for the 2024/25 crop, predicting a planted area of 2.123 million hectares (up 7% compared to the 2023/24 crop). Production is projected to be 3.91 million tonnes (a 6% annual growth).



Planting season in Brazil starts in November of the previous year



Source: Conab *Forecast 2024 e 2025: Abrapa (Dec 24)

The average yield for the 2024/25 crop dropped to 1.844 kg/ha - a drop of 0.7% in relation to 2023/24.

Brazilian Cotton Harvest

PRODUCTION (million tons)	2020	2021	2022	2023*	2024*	2025*	24 vs. 23 (%)	25 vs. 24 (%)
SEED COTTON (lint + Seed)	7.37	5.80	6.27	7.70	8.93	9.47	16.0%	6.0%
LINT (COTTON)	3.00	2.36	2.55	3.17	3.70	3.91	16.6%	5.7%

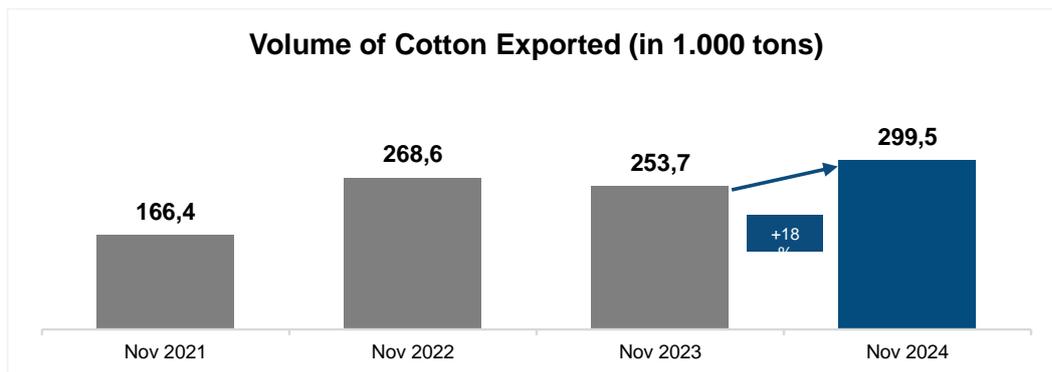
YIELD (kg/ha)	2020	2021	2022	2023*	2024*	2025*	24 vs. 23 (%)	25 vs. 24 (%)
SEED COTTON (Lint + Seed)	4,426	4,230	3,920	4,628	4,486	4,454	-3.1%	-0.7%
LINT (COTTON)	1,802	1,721	1,595	1,907	1,857	1,844	-2.6%	-0.7%

Source: Conab *Forecast: Abrapa (Dec 24)



4. EXPORT SHIPMENTS

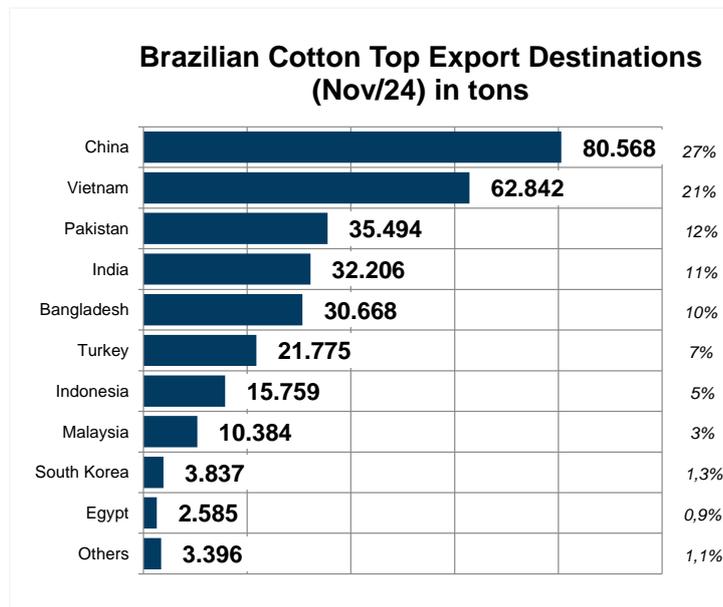
In November, Brazil exported 299.5 thousand tonnes of cotton (18% more than in November 2023 and 7% above October 2024). As a result, revenue generated by exports was US\$502.8 million for the month.



Source: ComexStat – ME, Dec/2024

In November, Brazil exported 80,568 tons of cotton to China (27% of the total). Vietnam imported 62,842 tonnes (21%) and Pakistan 35,494 tonnes (12%).

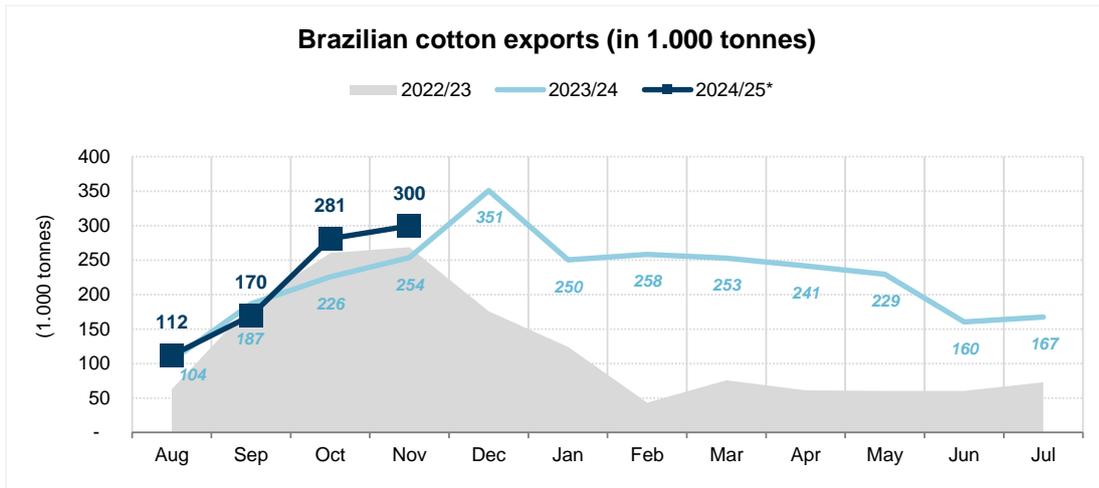
Together, these three countries accounted for the acquisition of 178,904 tonnes (64% of the total).



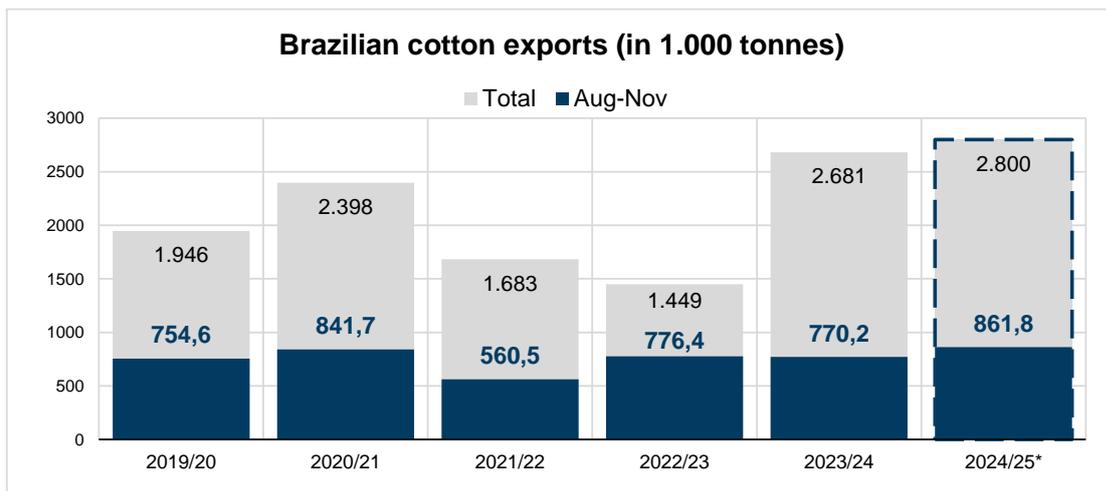
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With these November export numbers, Brazil achieved its best performance so far for the first four months of the marketing year (August to November). The forecast for the 2024/25 season is 2.78 million tonnes of cotton to be shipped.



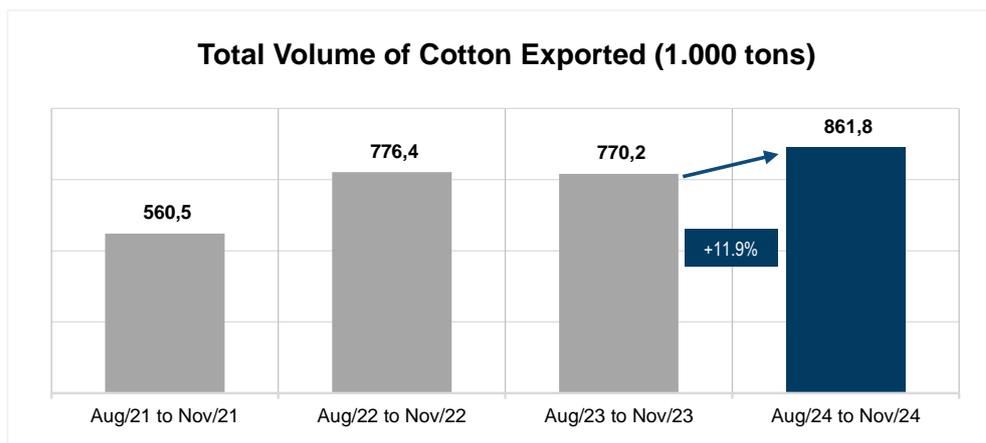
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Source: ComexStat – ME, Dec/2024. [Market Year: August to July.] * Forecast



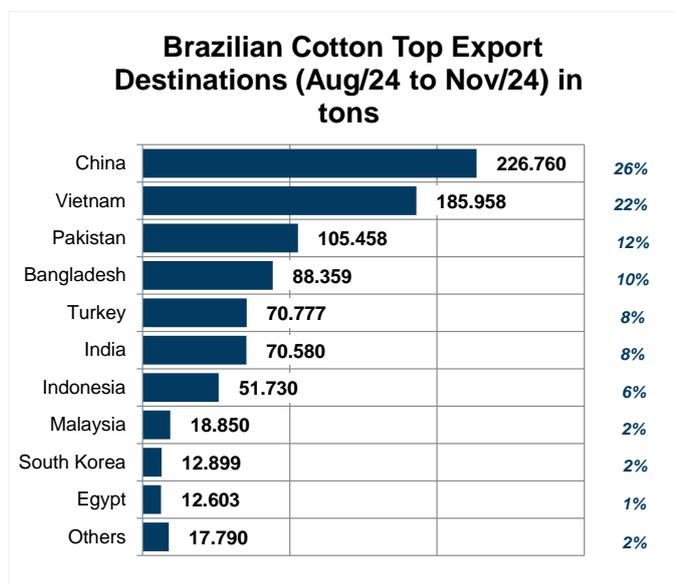
From August to November 2024, Brazil exported **861.8 thousand tonnes of cotton** (+11.9% compared to the same period in 2023). As a result, revenues generated by exports totalled **US\$ 1.543 billion**.



Source: ComexStat – ME, Dec/2024

From August to November, China imported 226,760 tonnes of cotton (26% of the total). Vietnam came in second place (185,958; 22%) followed by Pakistan (105,458; 12%).

Together, these three countries account for 340,147 tonnes and 60% of the total exported in the 2024/25 marketing year.

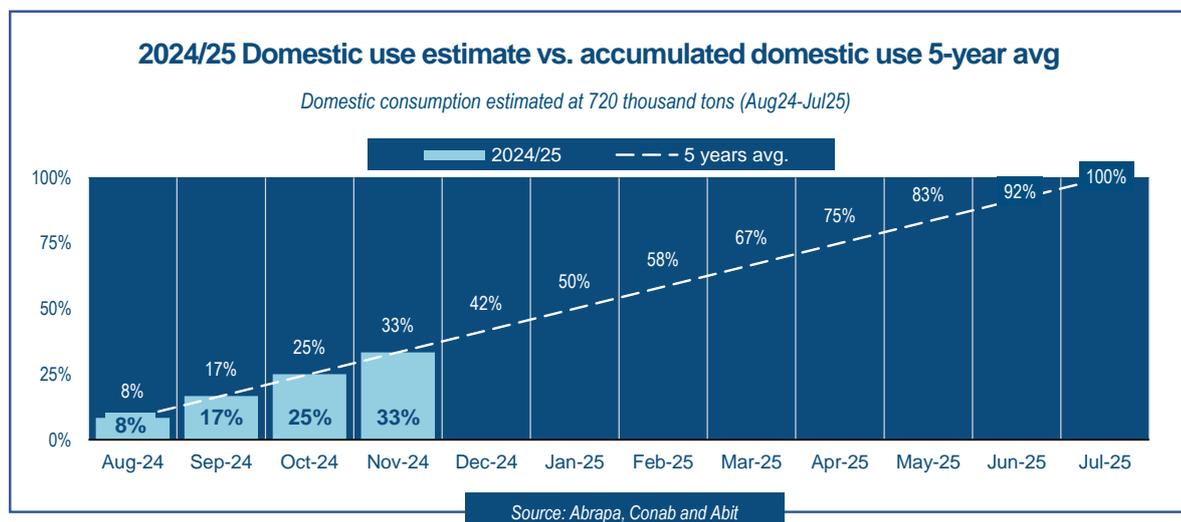
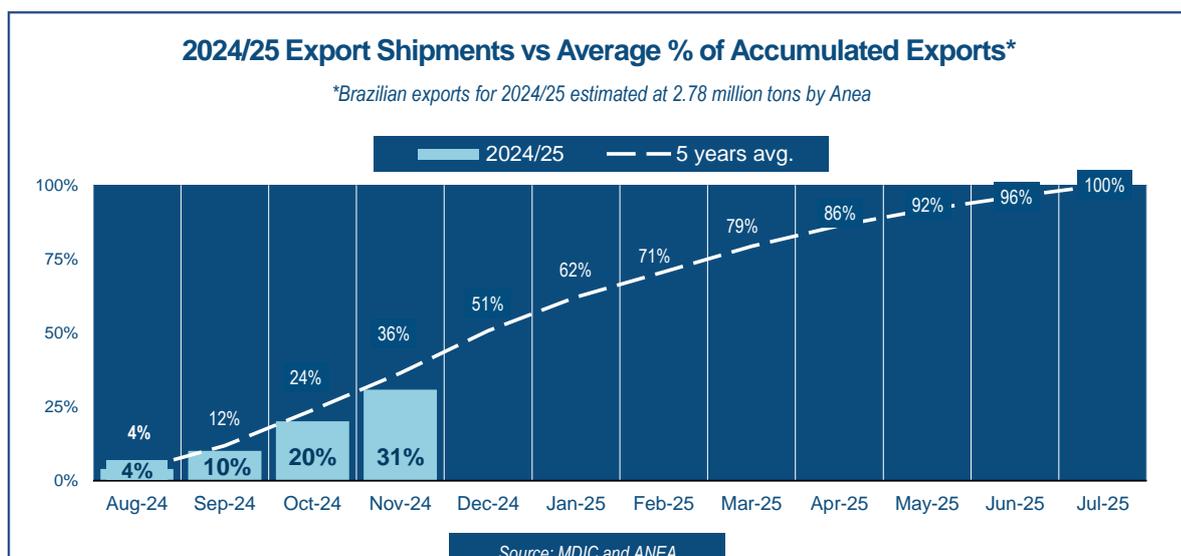


Source: ComexStat – ME, Dec/2024



5. 2023/24 MARKET YEAR EXPORTS AND DOMESTIC USE

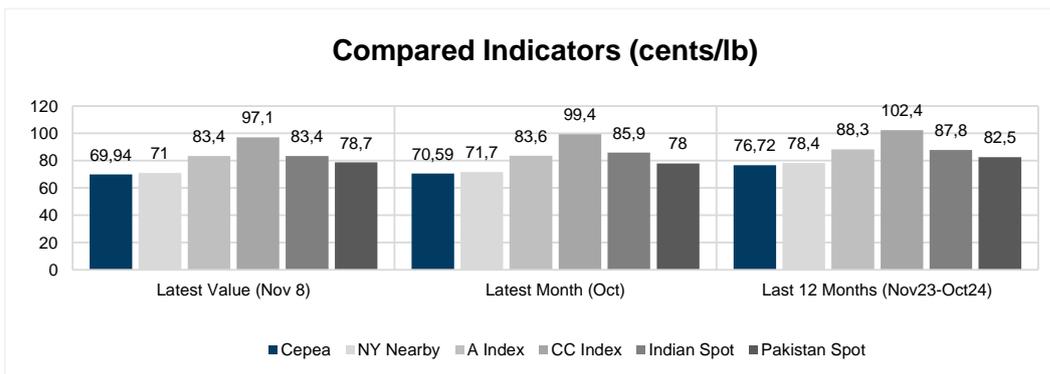
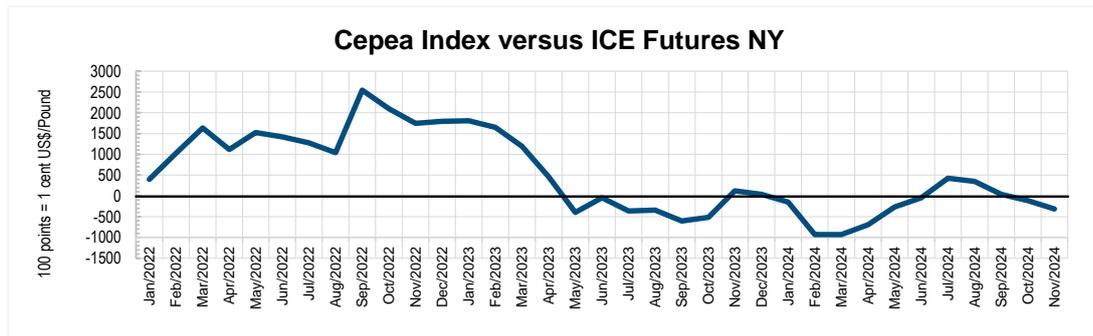
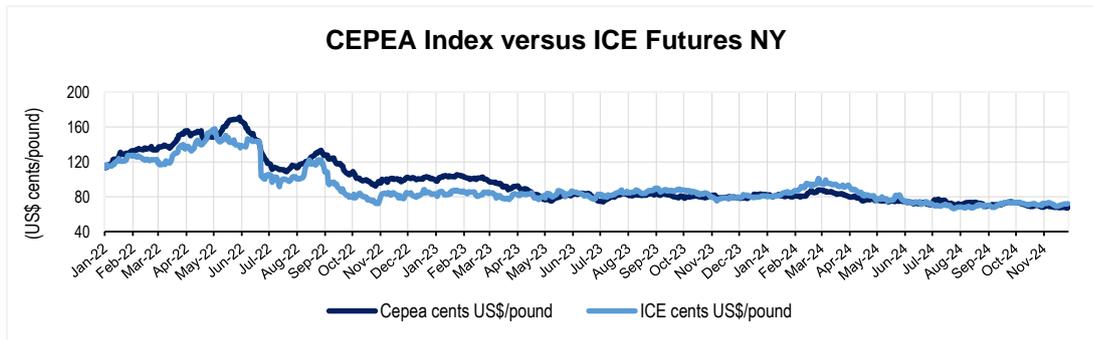
The charts below compare the performance of the current market year (2024/25) with the average Brazilian cotton exports over the last five years and the average volume for domestic use in Brazil also over the last five years.





6. PRICES

In November, the Cepea/Esalq indicator fell by 0.5% to end the month at 67.69 US cents/pound. Over the last 12 months, national prices have fallen by 13.8%. In NY, the Mar/2025 contract ended the month at 71.9 US cents/pound. The average spread between domestic and international prices turned negative again in 2024.



Source: Cepea/USP and ICE Futures, Dec/2024

The *CEPEA Index is the most commonly used price index for domestic cotton market prices in Brazil.



7. MADE IN BRAZIL

Data and information about Brazilian cotton production

National benchmark for cotton carbon footprint in Brazil

In two years, Brazil will have a national benchmark and regional models for the **cotton carbon footprint of cotton in its different forms** (seed, lint and oil). This program is part of Brazilian cotton production models using primary data from cotton farmers and internationally recognized methodologies such as Life Cycle Assessment (LCA).

This is an Abrapa initiative in partnership with the Brazilian Agricultural Research Corporation (Embrapa) - a Brazilian government agency. The Brazilian Association of Vegetable Oil Industries (Abiove) and Bayer are also part of the project.

One of the challenges in calculating the carbon footprint of Brazilian cotton is to characterize the Brazilian production system and its **regional diversity**. Abrapa's initiative will now roll out a cotton-focused methodology developed by Embrapa and Bayer across the country.

The inclusion of Abiove in this process will provide an additional differential by adding the industrial oil extraction stages to the calculation. The analysis of emissions from cottonseed oil extraction, with the identification of technical parameters, will be used as a benchmark to update the measurement.

Abrapa joins Make the Label Count coalition



Abrapa is now a full member of the **Make the Label Count** coalition which brings together 52 international organizations representing producers and environmental groups. Their common mission is to advocate for natural fibers (such as cotton).

The Product Environmental Footprint Category Rules (PEFCR) currently under discussion in the European Union favor synthetic (petroleum-derived) fibers over natural ones. By promoting scientific criteria in the development of these rules, **MTLC** is ensuring that European environmental laws and policies are truly fair.



Access the November quality report

The Brazilian Cotton Quality Report for the 2023/24 crop is available for download, with data from November. There have been improvements in indicators such as strength, UHML length, uniformity, short fiber index and degree of reflection.