

Table 21. Cotton insect loss estimates for North Carolina during 2017.

Pest	Acres Infested	% Acres Infested	Acres Treated	% Acres Treated	# of apps /acres treated	Cost of 1 application	% loss /acre infested	# of apps/ total acres	cost/acre	overall % reduction	Bales lost / pest	Loss + cost	Loss + cost/acre	% Total Loss+Cost
Bollworm/Budworm	324,000	90%	135,000	37.5%	1.6	\$22.00	7.00%	0.60	\$13.20	6.30%	49,613	\$20,946,768	\$58.19	44.9%
Beet Armyworm	3,600	1%	0	0.0%	0.0	\$0.00	0.00%	0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	0	\$0	\$0.00	0.0%
Fall Armyworm	3,600	1%	0	0.0%	0.0	\$0.00	0.00%	0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	0	\$0	\$0.00	0.0%
Loopers	3,600	1%	0	0.0%	0.0	\$0.00	0.00%	0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	0	\$0	\$0.00	0.0%
Cutworms	3,600	1%	0	0.0%	0.0	\$0.00	0.00%	0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	0	\$0	\$0.00	0.0%
Cotton Leaf Perforator	0	0%	0	0.0%	0.0	\$0.00	0.00%	0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	0	\$0	\$0.00	0.0%
Saltmarsh Caterpillar	3,600	1%	0	0.0%	0.0	\$0.00	0.00%	0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	0	\$0	\$0.00	0.0%
Lygus	342,000	95%	270,000	75.0%	2.0	\$15.00	0.20%	1.50	\$22.50	0.19%	1,496	\$8,197,656	\$22.77	17.6%
Cotton Fleahopper	0	0%	0	0.0%	0.0	\$0.00	0.00%	0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	0	\$0	\$0.00	0.0%
Stink Bugs (other than brown stink bug)	252,000	70%	79,200	22.0%	1.0	\$12.00	1.90%	0.22	\$2.64	1.33%	10,474	\$4,184,544	\$11.62	9.0%
Brown Stink Bug	306,000	85%	100,800	28.0%	1.0	\$12.00	1.90%	0.28	\$3.36	1.62%	12,718	\$5,301,408	\$14.73	11.4%
Clouded Plant Bug	0	0%	0	0.0%	0.0	\$0.00	0.00%	0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	0	\$0	\$0.00	0.0%
Leaf Footed Bugs	3,600	1%	0	0.0%	0.0	\$0.00	0.00%	0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	0	\$0	\$0.00	0.0%
Spider Mites	360,000	100%	3,600	1.0%	1.0	\$18.00	0.04%	0.01	\$0.18	0.04%	315	\$170,640	\$0.47	0.4%
Thrips	360,000	100%	324,720	90.2%	1.0	\$15.00	1.00%	0.90	\$13.50	1.00%	7,875	\$7,506,000	\$20.85	16.1%
Aphids	360,000	100%	26,388	7.3%	1.0	\$14.75	0.00%	0.07	\$1.03	0.00%	0	\$371,700	\$1.03	0.8%
Grasshoppers	18,000	5%	3,600	1.0%	1.0	\$12.00	0.00%	0.01	\$0.12	0.00%	0	\$2,160	\$0.01	0.0%
Banded Winged Whitefly	0	0%	0	0.0%	0.0	\$0.00	0.00%	0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	0	\$0	\$0.00	0.0%
Silverleaf Whitefly	0	0%	0	0.0%	0.0	\$0.00	0.00%	0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	0	\$0	\$0.00	0.0%
Boll Weevil	0	0%	0	0.0%	0.0	\$0.00	0.00%	0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	0	\$0	\$0.00	0.0%
TOTAL								3.59	\$56.53	10.48%	82,491	\$46,680,876	\$129.67	

SUMMARY DATA

State	Data Input		Yield and Management Results				Economic Results	
	North Carolina		Total Acres				Total	Per Acre
Region	Southeast		Total Bales Harvested		712,500	Foliar Insecticide Costs	\$20,351,700	\$56.53
Year	2017		Total Bales Lost to Insects		82,491	Seed Treatment Costs	\$5,245,020	\$14.57
Total Acres (Upland)	360,000	In-furrow cost/treated acre	\$15.00	Percent Yield Loss	10.5%	In-Furrow Costs	\$2,609,820	\$7.25
Yield / Acre (Upland)	950	% acres in Boll Weevil Eradication	100%	Yield w/o Insects (lb/acre)	1,061	Scouting Costs	\$1,728,000	\$4.80
Price / lb	\$0.70	Cost/acre Boll Weevil Eradication	\$0.90	Av. # Applications	3.59	Eradication Costs	\$324,000	\$0.90
yield potential (lb/acre)	1,050	% acres in Pink Bollworm Eradication	0%	Total Bales lost (all factors)	173,053	Bt Cotton	\$11,070,000	\$30.75
Acres (Pima)	0	Cost/acre Pink Bollworm Eradication	\$0.00	Total % yield Loss	22.0%	Total Costs	\$41,328,540	\$114.80
Yield / Acre (Pima)	0	% Insect apps by air	20%	Transgenic Cotton (arthropods) (# acres)	360,000	Yield Loss to Insects	\$27,716,976	\$76.99
% Acres Scouted	60%	No. apps by air	1	Boll Weevil Eradication (# acres)	360,000	Total Losses + Costs	\$69,045,516	\$191.79
Fee / Scouted Acre	\$8.00	Cost/app by air	\$9.00	Pink Bollworm Eradication (# acres)	0			
No. times scouted/week	1	% insect apps by ground	80%	# Scouted Acres	216,000			
% acres Transgenic (Bt) Cotton	100%	No. apps by ground	2	Seed Treatments (arthropods) (# acres)	317,880			
Cost/treated acre (Bt) Cotton	\$30.75	Cost/app by ground	\$8.00	In-Furrow Applications (# acres)	173,988			
% acres with seed treatment	88%	% Loss to weather	10.0%	Applications by Air (acres)	72,000			
Seed trt. cost/ treated acre	\$16.50	% loss to non-arthropods	1.0%	Applications by Ground (acres)	288,000			
% acres with in-furrow	48%	% loss to other (chemical injury, weeds, diseases, etc.)	0.5%	No. acres with no foliar insecticide applications	18,000			

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Upland Cotton	% Acres	# Acres	Total cost/acre	Bt cost/acre	% acres treated for BW/TBW	# acres treated for BW/TBW	# apps for BW/TBW	% of Population Bollworm
Bollgard II	63.0%	226,800	\$90.00	\$30.00	40%	90,720	1.6	85%
Bollgard III	0.5%	1,800	\$100.00	\$35.00	6%	108	1.0	85%
WideStrike	15.0%	54,000	\$85.00	\$30.00	54%	28,944	2.0	85%
WideStrike 3	14.0%	50,400	\$100.00	\$35.00	10%	5,040	1.0	85%
TwinLink	7.0%	25,200	\$90.00	\$30.00	40%	10,080	1.6	85%
TwinLink Plus	0.5%	1,800	\$100.00	\$35.00	6%	108	1.0	85%
Total Bt	100%	360,000	\$90.75	\$30.75	37.5%	135,000	1.6	85.0%
Herbicide Traits Only	0.0%	0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Conventional	0.5%	1,800	\$25.00	-	100%	1,800	2.0	85%
Organic	0.3%	900	\$25.00	-	100%	900	3.0	85%
Total Upland Cotton	100.8%	362,700	\$89.76	\$30.75	38.0%	137,700	1.6	85.0%
Non Upland Cotton								
Pima	0%	0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other	0%	0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Organic	0%	0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total (all Cotton)		362,700	\$89.76		38.0%	137,700	1.6	