

Table 16. Cotton insect loss estimates for the Hills region of Mississippi during 2023.

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	342,000	90.0%	76,000	20.0%	1.5	\$22.00	2.50%	0.30	\$6.60	2.25%	31,510	\$13,298,304	\$35.00	15.4%
Beet Armyworm	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0.0	\$0.00	0.00%	0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	0	\$0	\$0.00	0.0%
Fall Armyworm	9,500	2.5%	1,900	0.5%	1.0	\$12.00	1.00%	0.01	\$0.12	0.03%	350	\$123,780	\$0.33	0.1%
Loopers	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0.0	\$0.00	0.00%	0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	0	\$0	\$0.00	0.0%
Cutworms	38,000	10.0%	38,000	10.0%	1.0	\$6.50	1.00%	0.10	\$0.65	0.10%	1,400	\$515,260	\$1.36	0.6%
Cotton Leaf Perforator	0	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	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0.0	\$0.00	0.00%	0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	0	\$0	\$0.00	0.0%
Lygus	380,000	100.0%	376,200	99.0%	5.5	\$12.50	4.00%	5.45	\$68.13	4.00%	56,018	\$45,516,207	\$119.78	52.6%
Cotton Fleahopper	3,800	1.0%	0	0.0%	0.0	\$0.00	0.10%	0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	14	\$4,906	\$0.01	0.0%
Stink Bugs (other than brown stink bug)	38,000	10.0%	7,600	2.0%	1.0	\$9.50	1.00%	0.02	\$0.19	0.10%	1,400	\$497,780	\$1.31	0.6%
Brown Stink Bug	190,000	50.0%	38,000	10.0%	1.0	\$9.50	1.50%	0.10	\$0.95	0.75%	10,503	\$3,860,751	\$10.16	4.5%
Clouded Plant Bug	114,000	30.0%	3,800	1.0%	1.0	\$12.50	1.00%	0.01	\$0.13	0.30%	4,201	\$1,486,280	\$3.91	1.7%
Leaf Footed Bugs	3,800	1.0%	0	0.0%	0.0	\$0.00	0.00%	0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	0	\$0	\$0.00	0.0%
Spider Mites	304,000	80.0%	228,000	60.0%	1.5	\$12.50	2.25%	0.90	\$11.25	1.80%	25,208	\$12,252,883	\$32.24	14.2%
Thrips	380,000	100.0%	228,000	60.0%	1.5	\$9.50	1.00%	0.90	\$8.55	1.00%	14,005	\$8,156,352	\$21.46	9.4%
Aphids	114,000	30.0%	38,000	10.0%	1.0	\$10.50	0.50%	0.10	\$1.05	0.15%	2,101	\$855,890	\$2.25	1.0%
Grasshoppers	38,000	10.0%	0	0.0%	0.0	\$0.00	0.00%	0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	0	\$0	\$0.00	0.0%
Banded Winged Whitefly	3,800	1.0%	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	\$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	\$0.00	0.00%	0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	0	\$0	\$0.00	0.0%
<b>TOTAL</b>					<b>7.89</b>	<b>\$97.61</b>			<b>10.48%</b>		<b>146,710</b>	<b>\$86,568,393</b>	<b>\$227.81</b>	

**SUMMARY DATA**

Data Input		Yield and Management Results			Economic Results		
State	Mississippi	Total Acres		380,000	Total	Per Acre	
Region	MidSouth	Total Bales Harvested		791,667	Foliar Insecticide Costs	\$37,091,800	
Year	2023	Total Bales Lost to Insects		146,710	Seed Treatment Costs	\$3,800,000	
Total Acres (Upland)	380,000	In-furrow cost/treated acre	\$13.00	Percent Yield Loss	10.5%	In-Furrow Costs	\$247,000
Yield / Acre (Upland)	1,000	% acres in Boll Weevil Eradication	100%	Yield w/o Insects (lb/acre)	1,117	Scouting Costs	\$3,009,600
Price / lb	\$0.73	Cost/acre Boll Weevil Eradication	\$1.00	Av. # Applications	7.89	Eradication Costs	\$380,000
yield potential (lb/acre)	1,769	% acres in Pink Bollworm Eradication	0%	Total Bales lost (all factors)	608,863	Bt Cotton	\$12,692,000
Acres (Pima)	0	Cost/acre Pink Bollworm Eradication	\$0.00	Total % yield Loss	43.5%	Total Costs	\$57,220,400
Yield / Acre (Pima)	0	% Insect apps by air	80%	Transgenic Cotton (arthropods) (# acres)	380,000	Yield Loss to Insects	\$51,407,184
% Acres Scouted	99%	No. apps by air	6	Boll Weevil Eradication (# acres)	380,000	Total Losses + Costs	\$108,627,584
Fee / Scouted Acre	\$8.00	Cost/app by air	\$8.00	Pink Bollworm Eradication (# acres)	0		
No. times scouted/week	1.8	% insect apps by ground	50%	# Scouted Acres	376,200		
% acres Transgenic (Bt) Cotton	100%	No. apps by ground	3	Seed Treatments (arthropods) (# acres)	380,000		
Cost/treated acre (Bt) Cotton	\$33.40	Cost/app by ground	\$6.00	In-Furrow Applications (# acres)	19,000		
% acres with seed treatment	100%	% Loss to weather	20.0%	Applications by Air (acres)	304,000		
Seed trt. cost/ treated acre	\$10.00	% loss to non-arthropods	3.0%	Applications by Ground (acres)	190,000		
% acres with in-furrow	5%	% loss to other (chemical injury, weeds, diseases, etc.)	10.0%	No. acres with no foliar insecticide applications	0		

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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
Bollgard II	20.0%	76,000	\$140.00	\$32.00	90%	68,400	1.8
Bollgard III	59.0%	224,200	\$140.00	\$32.00	1%	2,242	0.1
Bollgard III/Thryvon	5.0%	19,000	\$155.00	\$32.00	1%	190	0.1
WideStrike	0.0%	0	\$140.00	\$32.00	0%	0	0.0
WideStrike 3	15.0%	57,000	\$140.00	\$32.00	1%	570	0.1
TwinLink	0.0%	0	\$140.00	\$32.00	0%	0	0.0
TwinLink Plus	1.0%	3,800	\$140.00	\$32.00	0%	0	0.0
<b>Total Bt</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>380,000</b>	<b>\$140.75</b>	<b>\$33.40</b>	<b>18.8%</b>	<b>71,402</b>	<b>0.3</b>
Herbicide Traits Only	0.0%	0	\$0.00		0%	0	0.0
Conventional	0.0%	0	\$0.00		0%	0	0.0
Organic	0.0%	0	\$0.00		0%	0	0.0
<b>Total Upland Cotton</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>380,000</b>	<b>\$140.75</b>	<b>\$33.40</b>	<b>18.8%</b>	<b>71,402</b>	<b>0.3</b>
Non Upland Cotton							
Pima	0.0%	0	\$0.00		0%	0	0.0
Other	0.0%	0	\$0.00		0%	0	0.0
Organic	0.0%	0	\$0.00		0%	0	0.0
<b>Total (all Cotton)</b>		<b>380,000</b>	<b>\$140.75</b>		<b>18.8%</b>	<b>71,402</b>	<b>0.3</b>

  

Upland Cotton	Thryvon Bt cost/acre	% acres treated for Thrips	# acres treated for Thrips	# apps for Thrips	% acres treated for Lygus	# acres treated for Lygus	# apps for Lygus
Bollgard III/Thryvon	\$28.00	1%	190	0	85%	16,150	2.5