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National Agricultural Statistics Service



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Dear Cotton Ginner:

Beginning in August 2016, USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) will collect cotton gin data throughout the ginning season (generally every two weeks). We know your time is valuable and therefore offer two simple options to respond:

- **Online** at [www.agcounts.usda.gov](http://www.agcounts.usda.gov). *Responding online is the easiest, fastest and most secure way to complete your survey.* All you need is the identification number on the front page of the questionnaire.
- **By mail.** Complete the survey questionnaire and mail it back in the return envelope provided.

Once you and your fellow ginner nationwide respond, NASS will publish the combined results in *Cotton Ginnings* reports every two weeks during the survey season. All NASS reports are available online free of charge at [www.nass.usda.gov](http://www.nass.usda.gov).

Please be assured that your responses are kept confidential, as required by Federal law. NASS safeguards the privacy of all respondents, ensuring that no individual operation or producer can be identified.

We are once again offering you free copies of the Cotton Ginnings Record Book. If you would like one or several copies, please use the enclosed "Ginnings Record Book Order" form and envelope to place your order. You can also use the form to request a copy of *Cotton Ginnings 2015 Summary*.

Thank you once again for participating and for your support of our programs and U.S. agriculture.

Sincerely,

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**YES** - Please provide me with \_\_\_\_\_ copies of the Cotton Ginnings Record Book.

**YES** - Please provide me with a copy of the *Cotton Ginnings 2015 Summary*.

Please enter the address where you would like the books sent:

Operation /Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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