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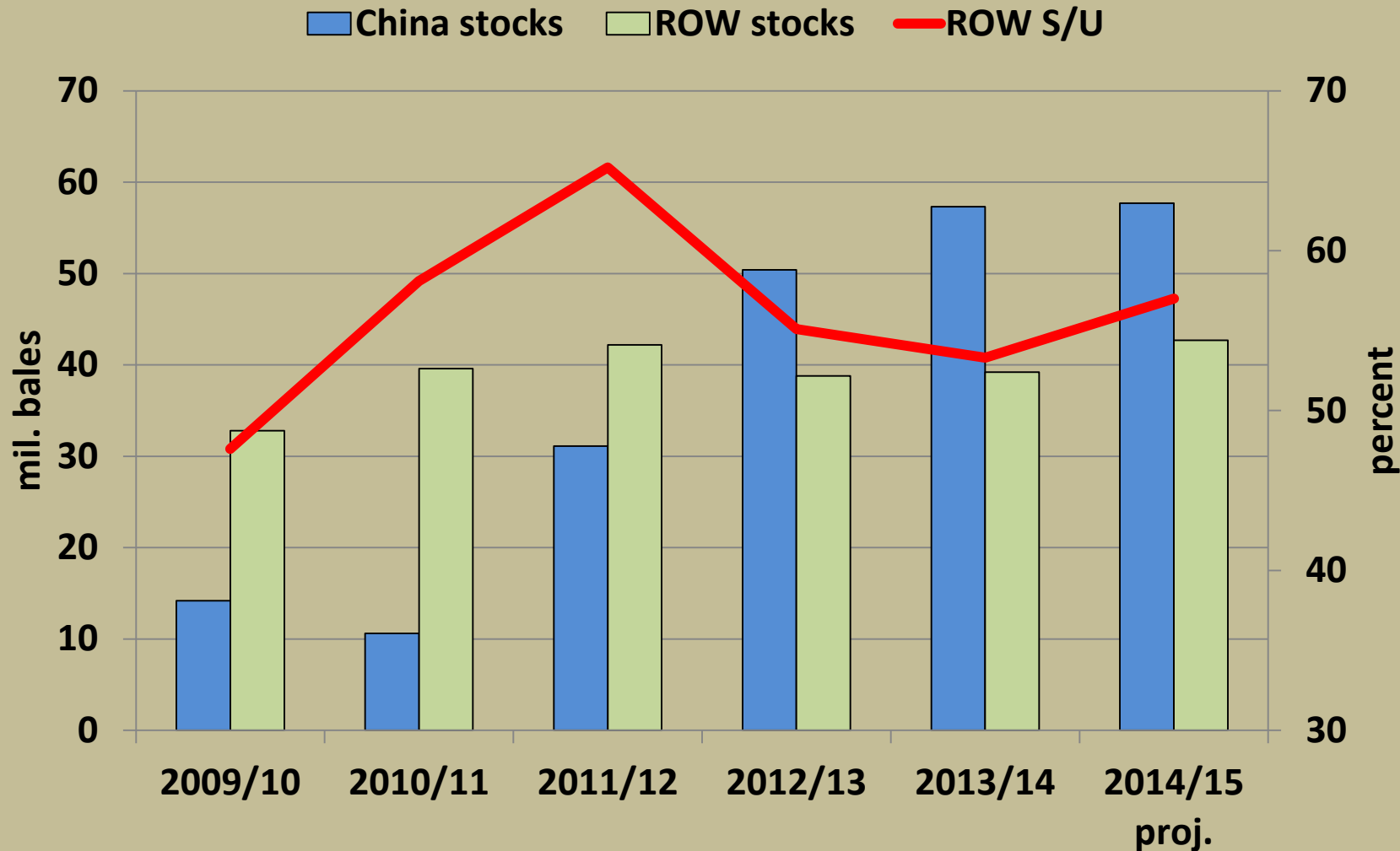
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THE WORLD AND UNITED STATES COTTON OUTLOOK

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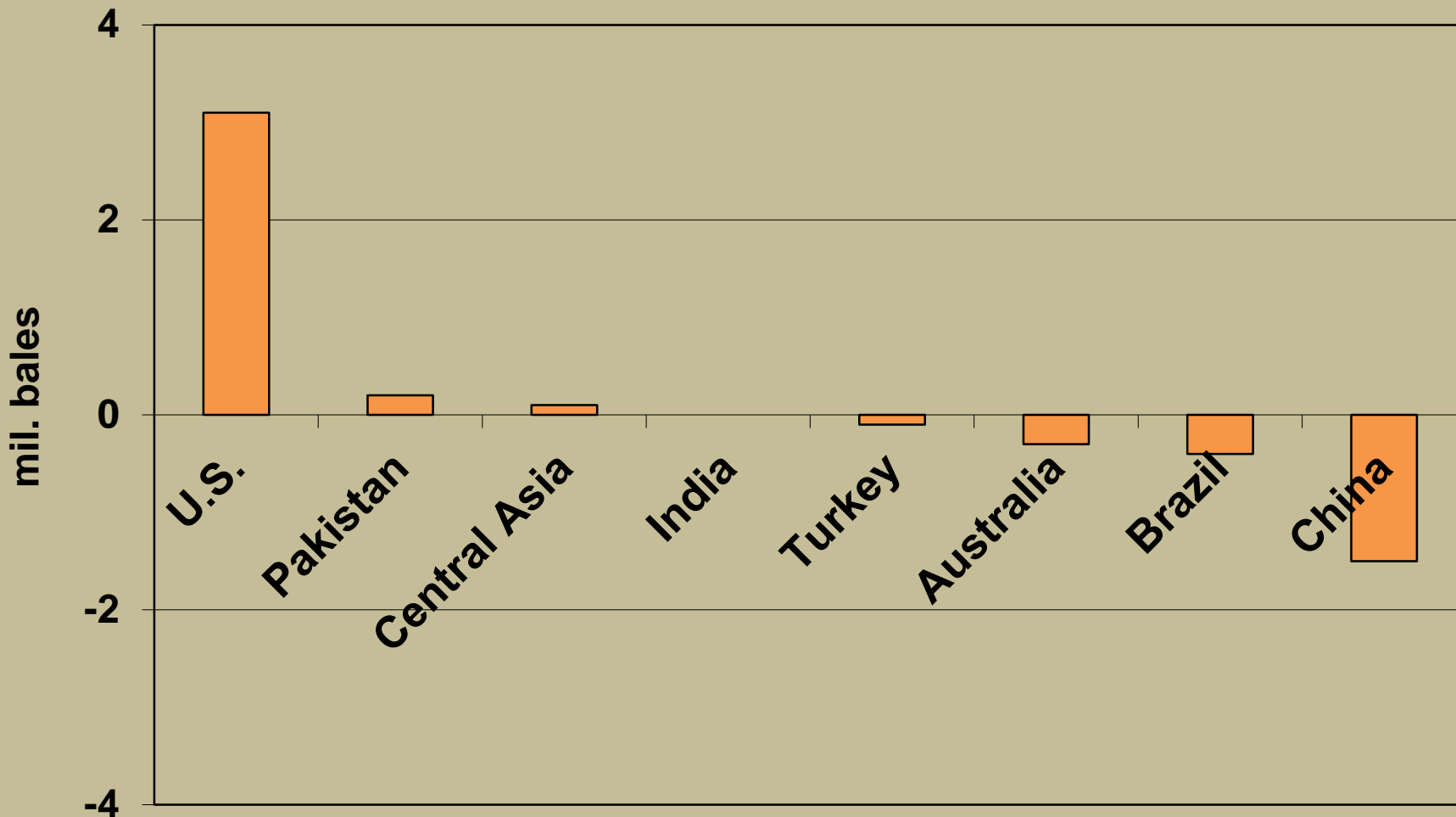
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2014/15 World Outlook; Larger Production, Consumption, and Stocks

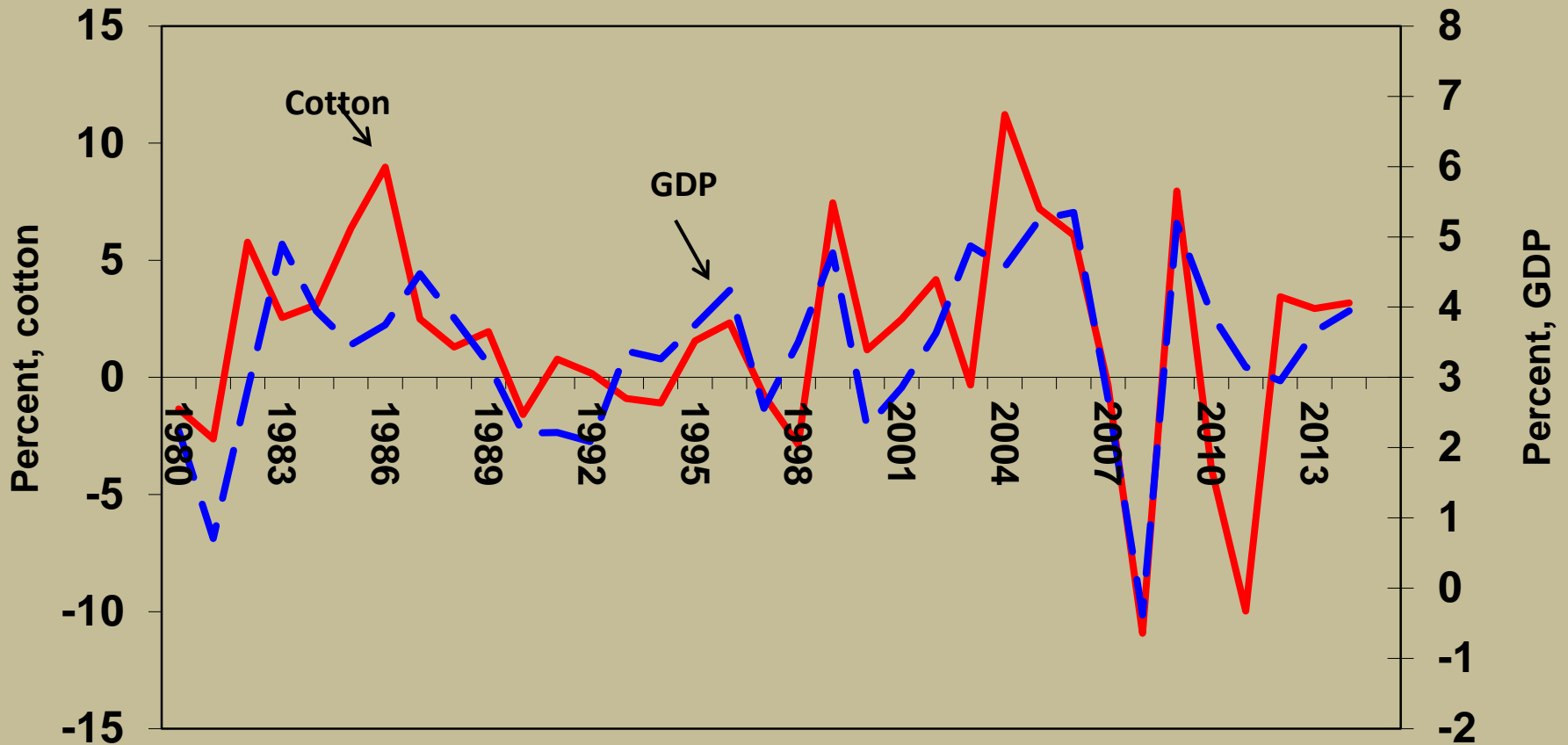


U.S. Production Growth Pushes World Production Higher

Estimated Changes in Production, 2014/15 compared with 2013/14

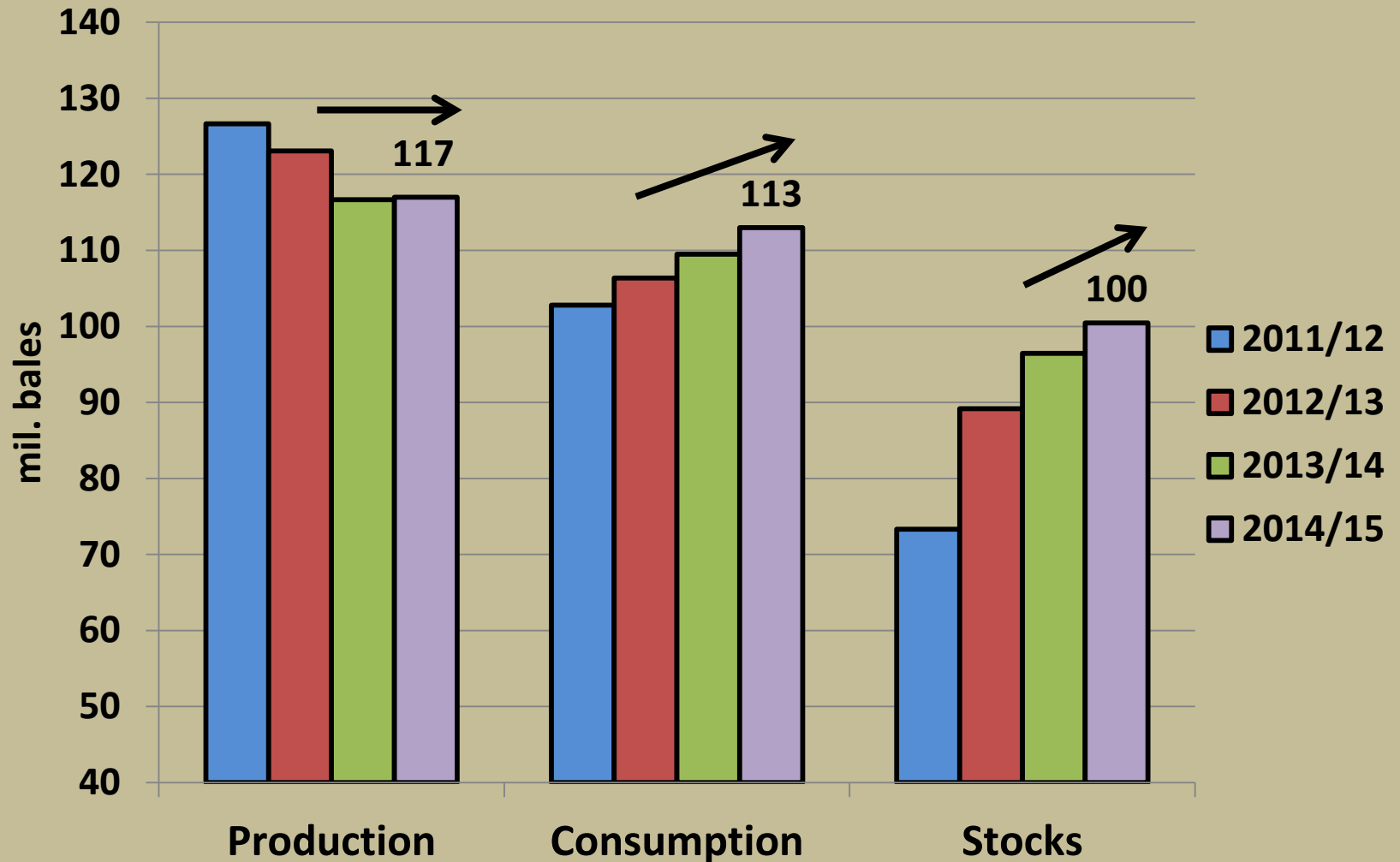


World Cotton Consumption and Economic Growth



Sources: USDA, International Monetary Fund, and Global Insight.

Despite Larger Consumption, Stocks Continue to Grow



China Outlook

China Cotton Supply and Demand				
2013/14 est. and 2014/15 proj.				
	<u>Unit</u>	<u>2013/14</u>	<u>2014/15</u>	<u>Change (%)</u>
Beg. Stocks	mil bales	50.4	57.3	13.7
Production	"	32.0	30.5	-4.7
<u>Imports</u>	"	<u>11.0</u>	<u>8.0</u>	<u>-23.3</u>
Total supply	"	93.4	95.8	2.6
Consumption	"	36.0	38.0	5.6
<u>Exports</u>	"	<u>0.1</u>	<u>0.1</u>	<u>0.0</u>
Total use	"	36.1	38.1	5.5
Ending stocks	"	57.3	57.7	0.7
Reserve stocks	"	47.0	45.0	-4.3
Stocks-to-use	%	159.0	151.7	-4.6

U.S. Outlook: Production Rebounds

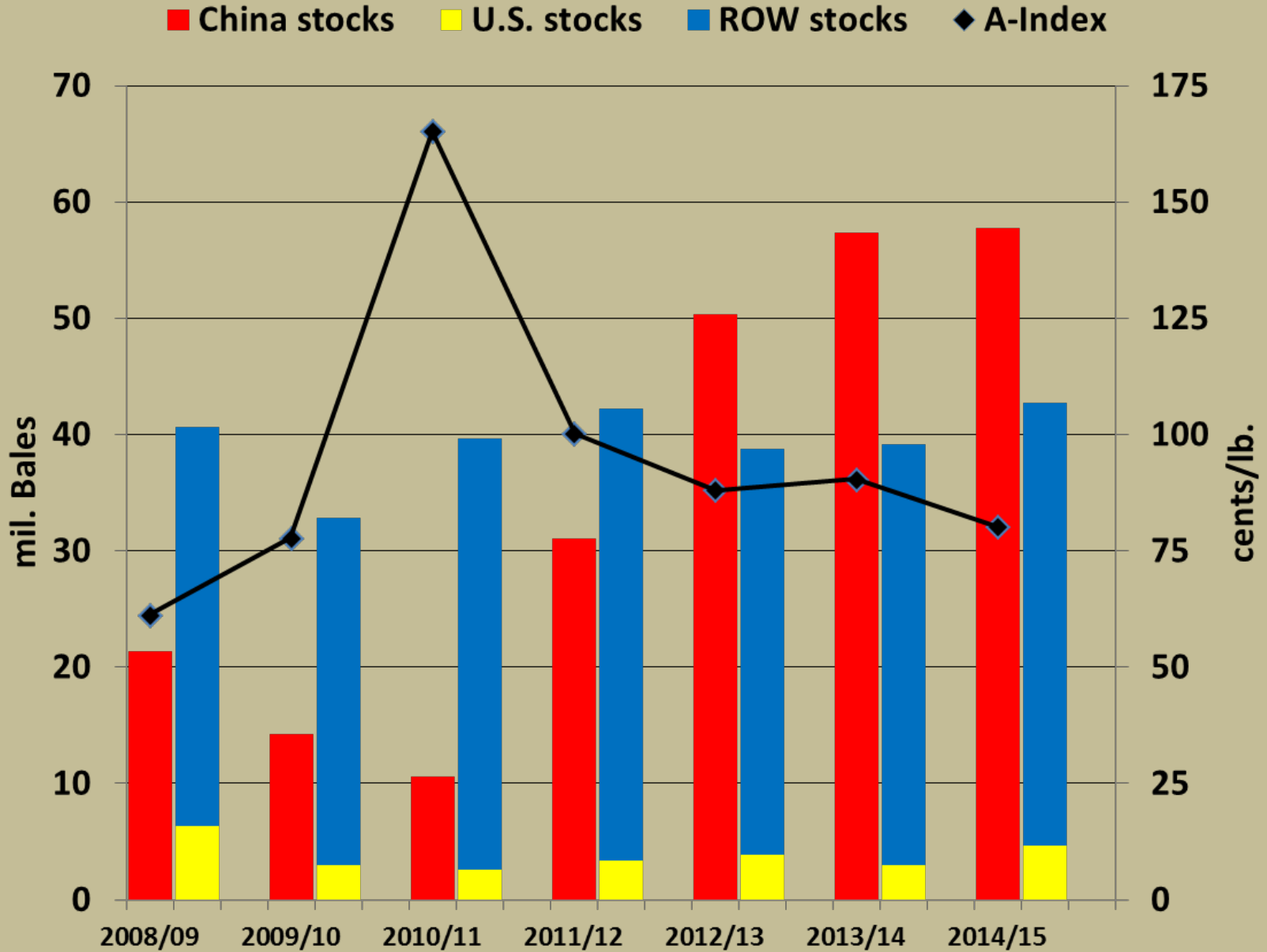
Planted Area, up Abandonment, down

U.S. Cotton Area, Yield, and Production:				
2013/14 and 2014/15 proj.				
	<u>Unit</u>	<u>2013/14</u>	<u>2014/15</u>	<u>Change(%)</u>
Planted area	mil. Acres	10.4	11.5	10.5
Harvested area	"	7.7	9.7	26.6
Abandonment rate	%	26.4	16.0	-39.4
Yield/harvested acre	lbs./acre	826	805	-2.5
Production	mil. Bales	13.2	16.3	23.5

Production Increase Larger than Consumption and Export Expansion

U.S. Cotton Supply and Demand				
2013/14 est. and 2014/15 projection				
	<u>Unit</u>	<u>2013/14</u>	<u>2014/15</u>	<u>Change(%)</u>
Beg. Stocks	mil bales	3.9	3.0	-23.1
Production	"	13.2	16.3	23.5
Imports	"	<u>0.0</u>	<u>0.0</u>	<u>0.0</u>
Total supply	"	17.1	19.3	12.9
Mill use	"	3.6	3.7	2.8
Exports	"	<u>10.5</u>	<u>11.0</u>	<u>4.8</u>
Total use	"	14.1	14.7	4.3
Ending stocks	"	3.0	4.6	53.3
Stocks-to-use	%	21.3	31.5	47.9
Farm price	cents/lb.	76.0	68.0	-10.5

What does this mean for the rest of the World



Thank You