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International Textile Machinery Shipment Statistics has been compiled with the cooperation of over 200 manufacturers of spinning, drawtexturing, weaving, knitting and finishing machinery. This number entails the Chinese companies which are included in the so-called “District”. The 2021 coverage for each of these segments is virtually complete, with the continuation of comprehensive Mainland Chinese participation. In the context of this publication, the term shipment refers to machinery produced by the participating manufacturers for both the domestic market and export and physically shipped during the year under review. This should not be confused with sales or installations.

The actual number of short- and long-staple ring spindles, open-end rotors, and shuttle-less looms (the latter divided into rapier/projectile, air-jet and water-jet) shipped by the participating manufacturers during 2021 to the countries listed are shown alongside 2020 year-end capacity figures and cumulative shipments over the last 10 years in sections 1 and 3, respectively. In regard to drawtexturing spindles as well as circular and flat knitting machinery (sections 2, 4 and 5), cumulative shipment data are available, but not installed capacities. For finishing machinery (section 6) no cumulative data are presented either. Volume 44 of the International Textile Machinery Shipment Statistics represents the 48th year of the statistical series. It was first published in 1974 (then entitled International Cotton Industry Statistics Supplement).

Reading notes:

1/ Since 2019 ITMF adds artificial shipments to the destination “Not specified (World)” with the estimated number of stenters not covered otherwise by our data providers. The total number of shipments included in this study thus represents the estimated total market for stenters in a given year.

2/ Blank cells in the tables represent zero unit.

3/ The regions called “Not specified (World w/o China)” and “Not specified (World w/o India)” entail shipments to unknown destinations outside China and India, respectively. The region called “Not specified (World)” entails shipments to any country on the planet.

4/ Long-Staple spindles installed capacities have not been updated for the year 2020. The figure for the year 2019 are used in this report for 2020 as well.

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