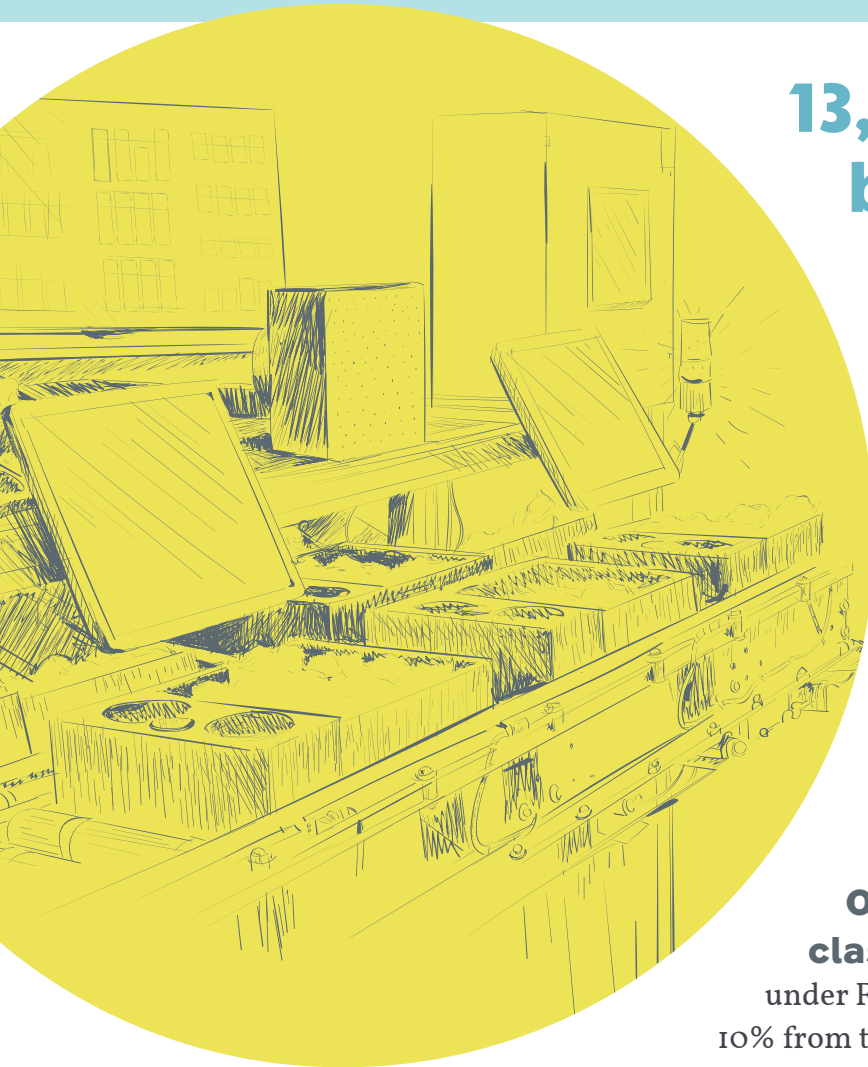




# COTTON & TOBACCO

**Despite COVID-19, the 2020 classing season was a success - read about our accomplishments below.**



## 13,646,874 Upland bales and 531,974 Pima bales classed

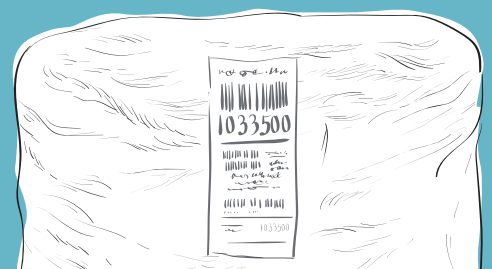
for a total of 14,178,848 bales, completing the classing of the 2020 cotton crop.

**Kept all 10 classing offices operational** throughout the season and delivered services within 2 days 90 percent of the time.

**Our customers made over 265,000 connections** to retrieve nearly 50 million classing data records without any disruption.

**Our Quality Assurance Division classed 28,300 samples** submitted under Form D classification service, up nearly 10% from the previous season.

**Our Market News Division delivered all reports 97.5 percent of the time with an accuracy rate of 99.26 percent, despite the challenges in collecting market information.**



**All Research and Promotion functions continued** throughout the year with the Cotton Board, Cotton Incorporated, and USDA effectively conducting meetings and communications virtually.

C&T's Standardization & Engineering Division shipped approximately **1,133 physical grade standards, 17,100 pounds of calibration cottons, 66,800 pounds of evaluation cottons, and 179 color calibration tile sets** (March 2020-March 2021) for the grading and marketing of cotton domestically and internationally.

