

DRA'S TECHNICAL TEXTILES MARKET FORECASTS NOW AVAILABLE BY TABLE

The textile industry management consultancy David Rigby Associates (DRA) is now selling by direct download from its website about 1,500 different tables of forecasts of world consumption of technical textiles and industrial nonwovens and the polymers, fibres, yarns, fabrics and coatings from which they are made. Each table costs £25.

The forecast tables are arranged into distinct groups each of which reflects the main interests of a particular potential user type: e.g. producers of nylon fibres and yarns, weavers, chemicals suppliers, nonwovens machinery manufacturers, government agencies.

The groups of forecast tables are shown below. An (R) against a name indicates that a published report is also available from DRA containing, in addition to the tables, detailed descriptions of the end-uses involved and further analyses of the forecasts.

End-use products	: 150 different end-use products (R) e.g. conveyor belts, medical gowns, ballistic fabrics
Application Areas (12)	: Each of the twelve Techtexsil application areas (R) e.g. Mobiltech, Geotech
Polymers/Fibre Types (7)	: Polyester (R), Polypropylene (R), Nylon (R), Viscose (R), Cotton, Glass, Aramid.
Yarn Types (5)	: Spun, Textile multifilament, Industrial (HT) multifilament, Monofilament, Tape & slit film
Fabric Types (7)	: Unspun fibre (e.g. fibrefill), Broadwoven (R), Nonwoven (R), Narrow-woven, Warp knitted, Weft knitted, Ropes & braids
Separate Countries (8)	: USA, India, China, Japan, UK, Germany, France, Italy
Regions (7)	: N. America, W. Europe, E. Europe, S. America, S. Asia, N. E. Asia, S.E. Asia.

For example, a weaver needing information for planning his product development, marketing and sales activities can examine blank versions of the 41 forecast tables in the Broadwoven group, and view the table of contents of the Broadwovens report, before deciding what information, if any, would help him.

The forecast tables are produced by DRA's Technical Textiles Model. This describes and forecasts, by year to 2010 by volume and value, world consumption by country and region for 150 different technical end-use products. It then calculates at the same level of detail the implied volumes and values of the components from which these products are made, defined in terms of 19 different polymer/fibre types, 8 sorts of yarn, 19 forms of fabric and 5 coating types. This very high level of detail of products, components, countries, regions and years gives rise to many thousands of different forecast tables from which we have chosen for publication those likely to be of most use to our clients.

David Rigby says: "By publishing our information in single tables we are addressing the challenge of providing on demand only the data that people really need, at prices they can easily afford. This is the approach our clients increasingly expect, particularly those used to finding information on the internet."

Further information can be obtained from DRA's website: www.davidrigbyassociates.com

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