



The Cotton Consultants Survey and Cotton Production Data Collection 2026

COTTON CONSULTANTS SURVEY

The Cotton Consultants Survey is a qualitative survey completed by Crop Consultants Australia members each year. The survey covers a broad range of topics, from staffing and professional development needs to every aspect of producing and managing a cotton crop (soils, pests, weeds, fertilizer, technology and water).

Consultants participating in the Cotton Consultants Survey who enter their hectares and respond to direct questions about their growing area receive a minimum of one free CCA membership (the number of free memberships increases with the number of hectares). As a bonus, those that complete both the Cotton Consultants Survey and supply Cotton Production Data will receive complimentary registration for the next CCA Cropping Solutions Seminar and Dinner.

You are welcome to complete the survey without entering your hectares, this is a much shorter survey and all responses are valuable.

CCA is committed to protecting the privacy of participants who complete the Cotton Consultants Survey. All responses are de-identified before collation as a final report and can only be traced back to growing region. See our confidentiality statement at the end of this factsheet.

Each season the Final Report is published on the [CRDC website](#) here.

Rewards and incentives for completing the Cotton Consultants Survey 2026

How do I participate?	Free CCA membership/s (\$400 value)	Free seminar ticket incl Dinner
Complete Cotton Consultants Survey and provide responses for <i>less than 5000</i> hectares of data	✓(1)	X
Complete Cotton Consultants Survey and provide responses for <i>5000 – 10,000</i> hectares of data	✓(2)	X
Complete Cotton Consultants Survey and provide responses for <i>10,000 – 15,000</i> hectares of data	✓(3)	X
Complete Cotton Consultants Survey and provide responses for <i>more than 15,000</i> hectares of data	✓(4)	X
Complete Cotton Consultants Survey AND supply Cotton Production Data	✓	✓*

Critical Industry Reporting

CCA coordinates the collection of Cotton Production Data each year on behalf of the cotton industry. The project is supported with funding from the Cotton Research & Development Corporation.

The seasonal Cotton Production Data is an important and reliable set of data that helps the industry talk about its practice changes and improvements to the public. It informs regulators and product reviews, provides direction to research and policy priorities, and identifies trends, emerging issues and potential threats important to growers and agronomists.

Collecting Cotton Data

CCA Consultant members are encouraged to share their cotton crop agronomy data at the end of each season to contribute to CCA. The Cotton Production Data reports amalgamate data to ensure that the information of members and farms remains anonymous.

Data contributions represent on average 40% of cotton production. **CCA is seeking more consultants and agronomists to participate in the survey to achieve at least 50% coverage of cotton production.**

Options to Participate

- If you are an Agworld user, you can submit your data via the custom CCA report. This needs to be installed on your platform by Agworld. Please let CCA know if you would like this added. Contact projects@cropconsultants.com.au
- You can enter your data into the CCA excel spreadsheet templates which are available on our website or by emailing projects@cropconsultants.com.au

Step 1. Let CCA know if you intend to participate so we can send you the invitation and ask Agworld to install the custom report if required

Step 2. Enter agronomy data using one of the options to participate.

Step 3. Check and submit data by 31 July.

Step 4. Enjoy the benefits of CCA survey rewards, and positive industry contribution.

CCA is committed to protecting the privacy of participants who provide Cotton Production Data, all data is de-identified before it is delivered as a final report and can only be traced back to growing region. This final report is not publicly available and is used primarily for industry research. See our confidentiality statement at the end of this factsheet.

Incentives to Participate

The CCA Board offers incentives in appreciation for contributions of Cotton Production Data. Rewards are outlined in the tables below. Participants who complete the Cotton Consultants Survey and submit Cotton Production Data receive free CCA seminar registration.

The rewards offered are based on the following:

Type of Data	Detailed or Summary Dataset.
Amount of Data	Number of hectares supplied.
Data Supplied	Data can be supplied in different categories.

Cotton Production Data – Rewards and Incentives 2026

How do I participate	What do I receive?	Value of reward/incentive
Supply base Cotton Production Data at a detailed or summary level	Cash reward (value increases with the number of hectares provided)	\$500 - \$2000
Supply base plus some extended Cotton Production Data at a detailed or summary level	Cash reward (value increases with the number of hectares provided)	\$600 - \$2800
Supply base plus <i>all extended</i> Cotton Production Data for 80% of total hectares managed at a detailed or summary level	Cash reward (value increases with the number of hectares provided)	\$1500 - \$8000

Base data = Variety, Herbicides, Insecticides, Plant Growth Regulators plus Defoliant

Summary level data is provided at farm level

Detailed level data is provided at paddock level

Extended data is over and above base data and includes:

- Applied nutrient (ground applied and foliar fertilisers)
- Production (actual or estimated yield)
- Irrigation (water use, type of irrigation, energy source for pumps, water source)
- Tillage – includes tillage in crop and the preceding fallow (type and date of operation)
- Miscellaneous – (previous crop, length of fallow, distance to nearest gin)

A detailed matrix of Cotton Production Data Rewards can be found [here](#)

Visit www.cropconsultants.com.au/cotton-data/survey-overview/ for further details about CCA surveys.

All information submitted will be managed under strict confidentiality provisions. The information provided will be used solely for its intended purpose and will not be disclosed, shared, or distributed to any unauthorised party. All reports generated and published using this information will present data at an industry or regional level and will not be identifiable to any individual farm, consultant or grower. Appropriate safeguards will be applied to ensure the protection, privacy, and secure handling of all submitted information.

CCA acknowledges Agworld as a Survey Partner



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