Woolworths Holdings Ltd
How is the company performing?

COUNTRY OF HQ
South Africa

SELECTION OF SUBSIDIARIES
Country Road
Witchery
Mimco and Trenery

Overall Score
34.3

Policy
17

Uptake
15.5

Traceability
1.8

Where is Woolworths Holdings Ltd on the journey to sustainable cotton?

Company performance analysis

OVERALL
Woolworths scores 34.3 out of 100 points in this ranking (up from 30.3 in 2017), and is well on its way towards cotton sustainability.

POLICY
Woolworths has a strategy in place to address sustainability of cotton in its supply chain, mainly through its membership of the Better Cotton Initiative. The company does not have separate specific policies in place to address water reduction, biodiversity and pesticide use in cotton cultivation. The company has committed to sourcing 100% sustainable cotton (Better Cotton and organic cotton) by 2020.

UPTAKE
In 2018, Woolworths sourced 60% of sustainable cotton.

TRACEABILITY
Woolworths does not publish information on the absolute volume and origin of the cotton used in its products. The company does publish a list of finished product manufacturers for some of its brands but does not provide information on its other suppliers (fabric manufacturers, yarn spinners).