Rainbow open front cover-up

S to M · US terms



Finished size
About 53¼ × 28¾ in (135 × 73 cm)

Skill
Easy
Mesh, working along an edge, hdc2tog, two seams

Yarn
Light (3), 8 colors

Hook
5 mm (US H-8)

Gauge
15 stitches and 8 rows to 4 in (10 cm)
In double crochet (UK treble).

What you need

Yarn A: white cotton, bands, hem and ties	**about 145 yd (133 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: strawberry red cotton, first stripe	**about 155 yd (142 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: orange cotton, second stripe	**about 150 yd (137 m), an estimate**
Yarn D: yellow cotton, third stripe	**about 150 yd (137 m), an estimate**
Yarn E: green cotton, fourth stripe	**about 150 yd (137 m), an estimate**
Yarn F: sky blue cotton, fifth stripe	**about 150 yd (137 m), an estimate**
Yarn G: royal blue cotton, sixth stripe	**about 150 yd (137 m), an estimate**
Yarn H: violet cotton, seventh stripe	**about 155 yd (142 m), an estimate**

By weight: about 480 g in all, an estimate, where 100 g is 250 yd (229 m).
Fiber: cotton
Hook: 5 mm (US H-8), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: yarn needle, scissors and tape measure.

To find how many balls: divide by the length on your yarn's label and round up. Buy them from one dye lot. The estimate is from the stitches and chains of this size at this gauge, with 30 percent added.

Sizes

Size	Finished size, about	Yarn, an estimate
S to M (this file)	**53¼ × 28¾ in (135 × 73 cm)**	**about 1,205 yd (1,102 m)**
L to XL	56½ × 28¾ in (144 × 73 cm)	about 1,315 yd (1,202 m)
2X to 3X	63 × 28¾ in (160 × 73 cm)	about 1,535 yd (1,404 m)

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Gauge

15 stitches and 8 rows to 4 in (10 cm) in double crochet.

Check your gauge on the piece. Begin the pattern and measure the piece itself as you go. After row 8 the piece, laid flat, is about 4 in (10.2 cm) from the first row to the last. If yours is smaller, use a larger hook; if it is larger, use a smaller one.

Each size in the list is printed in full when it is chosen. For a longer cover-up work row 7 of the back 8 times more and row 55 of each front 8 times more: about 4 in (10.2 cm). The back and each front then have 64 rows. The fronts are joined to row 64 of the back, and the sleeves stay at the shoulder: they are worked in the ends of rows 47 to 64, the last 18 rows, of the back and rows 1 to 18 of the front. The side seam goes from row 19 of the front with row 46 of the back to row 64 of the front with row 1 of the back. Along each front the band has 15 sts more: row 1 has 30 more in all, and rows 2 and 3 have 15 hdc more before the first hdc2tog and 15 more after the last. The added rows take about two thirds more of yarn B and about 12 yd (11 m) more of yarn A. For another width chain 12 more or fewer for the back, about 3.2 in (8.1 cm): row 1 has 12 dc more or fewer, and from row 2 on every bracket of the back is worked 6 times more or fewer. Each front then has 6 sts more or fewer and 3 times more or fewer in its brackets, and the hem has 24 sts more or fewer in row 1 and 4 shells more or fewer in row 2. The back neck, the band and the sleeves stay as they are.

Notes

- Whip stitch: hold the two edges together, one on top of the other. Bring the needle from the back to the front through both edges, carry the yarn over the edges to the back, and bring the needle to the front through both edges again at the next place.
- Mesh: a dc stands over every dc and a ch 1 over every ch-1 sp. The last row of every stripe is solid: a dc in every dc and in every ch-1 sp. In the first row of the next stripe a ch 1 stands over every second dc.
- hdc2tog: yo, insert the hook in the next st, yo and draw up a loop, twice; 5 loops are on the hook; yo and draw through all 5.
- The ch 3 at the start of a row counts as a dc; the last stitch of the next row is worked into the top of it. The chain stands on the first stitch of the row, so "next st" right after it is the second stitch.
- A ch 1 at the start of a row does not count as a stitch.
- A stitch worked into a chain space goes into the open space under the chain, not into a chain stitch.
- In row 2 the turning ch is the skipped chs at the start of row 1: its top is the one that was next to the hook.
- Where several stitches have one place after them, as in "5 dc in next st", they are all worked into that one place.
- What is in square brackets is worked as many times as the number after them says, in all.
- Row 1 is a right side row. Turn once between rows: the word "turn" near the start of each row is that turn.
- To change color, work the last stitch of the old color until two loops are left on the hook and draw the new color through them. Cut the old color, leaving a tail of about 6 in (15.2 cm), and fasten in a fresh piece each time: the yarn amounts and the ends to weave in are counted this way.
- Buy whole balls from one dye lot.
- Laid flat the cover-up is about 24.3 in (61.7 cm) wide from side seam to side seam, about 53.3 in (135.4 cm) from cuff edge to cuff edge, and about 28.8 in (73.2 cm) long from the top of the shoulder to the tips of the hem. A sleeve is about 14.5 in (36.8 cm) long from the body and about 19.5 in (49.5 cm) round; the edge it is worked on is about 18 in (45.7 cm), so it begins with a little fullness. The front band is about 0.9 in (2.3 cm) wide, and its two sides are about 4.8 in (12.2 cm) apart at the center front until the ties draw them together.
- Order of the work: the back, from the hem up; the two fronts, on its last row and down; the two sleeves, on the side edges; then the side seams; then the front band; then the hem; then the ties.
- Colors: every stripe of the body is 8 rows and every stripe of a sleeve 4 rows. Back, from row 1: B (strawberry red), C (orange), D (yellow), E (green), F (sky blue), G (royal blue), H (violet). Fronts and sleeves, from row 1: H (violet), G (royal blue), F (sky blue), E (green), D (yellow), C (orange), B (strawberry red). Yarn A (white): the last row of each sleeve, the band, the hem and the ties.

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- Fronts: hold the back with the right side facing you and row 56 at the top. First front: join yarn H in the st at the right end of row 56 and work over the 33 sts from there. Second front: skip the next 25 sts, which are the back neck, join yarn H in the st after them and work over the last 33 sts. Both fronts are worked from the same lines.
- Sleeves: lay the body flat, right side up. The 73 sts of row 1 are in the ends of rows 39 to 56 of the back and rows 1 to 18 of the front: 2 in the end of every row, round its edge st, and 1 more where row 56 of the back meets row 1 of the front, 73 in all. With the right side facing you and the side edge at the top work from right to left: for one sleeve that is from the front to the back, for the other from the back to the front.
- Front band: its 235 sts are 105 along the inner edge of the first front, from the hem up (lay the cover-up with the fronts on top, right side up and the hem toward you: it is the front at your left); the 25 skipped sts of the back neck; and 105 along the inner edge of the other front, from the neck down to the hem. Along a front work 15 sts for every 8 rows: 2 in the end of each row, but only 1 in the end of every eighth. In rows 2 and 3 the two pairs of hdc2tog stand at the two inner corners of the neck, so that they lie flat.
- Hem: with the right side facing you and the lower edge at the top, its 163 sts are, from right to left: 3 in the ends of the 3 rows of the band; 33 along the lower edge of a front, one in each st of row 56; 91 along the back, one in each of the 90 foundation chains that hold a dc and then 1 in the foot of the skipped chs of row 1 (the lowest of the 3, at the left end); 33 along the other front; and 3 in the ends of the band.
- (If you are left handed, read left for right and right for left in these notes.)

Instructions

S to M. US terms.

ch chain, **sl st** slip stitch, **sc** single crochet (UK double crochet), **hdc** half double crochet (UK half treble), **dc** double crochet (UK treble), **sp** space, **st** stitch.
hdc2tog 2 hdc made into one, **sk** skip, **yo** yarn over the hook, **RS** right side, the one that shows, **WS** wrong side, the back.
5 dc in next st: all in one stitch. **dc in next 71 sts**: one in each. **ch-1 sp**: the gap under the one chain; the hook goes in the gap.
[ ] 44 times: work what is inside 44 times in all.
(91 dc): the stitches you have when the row is done. **How to read a pattern**.

Back

Yarns in order of use: B, strawberry red cotton; C, orange cotton; D, yellow cotton; E, green cotton; F, sky blue cotton; G, royal blue cotton; H, violet cotton.

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 93.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Dc in 4th ch from hook (skipped chs count as dc) and in each ch across	(91 dc)
☐ **Row 2 (WS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st**] 44 times**, ch 1, sk next st, dc in top of turning ch	(46 dc, 45 ch-1 sps)
☐ **Rows 3 to 7**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 44 times**, ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, dc in top of turning ch	(46 dc, 45 ch-1 sps)
	3 4 5 6 7	
☐ **Row 8 (WS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 44 times**, dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in top of turning ch. Change to yarn C on the last pull through.	(91 dc)
☐ **Row 9 (RS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st**] 44 times**, ch 1, sk next st, dc in top of turning ch	(46 dc, 45 ch-1 sps)

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☐ **Rows 10 to 15** Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 44 times**, ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, dc in top of turning ch (46 dc, 45 ch-1 sps)

10 11 12 13 14 15

☐ **Row 16 (WS)** Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 44 times**, dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in top of turning ch. Change to yarn D on the last pull through. (91 dc)

☐ **Row 17 (RS)** Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st**] 44 times**, ch 1, sk next st, dc in top of turning ch (46 dc, 45 ch-1 sps)

☐ **Rows 18 to 23** Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 44 times**, ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, dc in top of turning ch (46 dc, 45 ch-1 sps)

18 19 20 21 22 23

☐ **Row 24 (WS)** Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 44 times**, dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in top of turning ch. Change to yarn E on the last pull through. (91 dc)

☐ **Row 25 (RS)** Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st**] 44 times**, ch 1, sk next st, dc in top of turning ch (46 dc, 45 ch-1 sps)

☐ **Rows 26 to 31** Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 44 times**, ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, dc in top of turning ch (46 dc, 45 ch-1 sps)

26 27 28 29 30 31

☐ **Row 32 (WS)** Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 44 times**, dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in top of turning ch. Change to yarn F on the last pull through. (91 dc)

☐ **Row 33 (RS)** Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st**] 44 times**, ch 1, sk next st, dc in top of turning ch (46 dc, 45 ch-1 sps)

☐ **Rows 34 to 39** Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 44 times**, ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, dc in top of turning ch (46 dc, 45 ch-1 sps)

34 35 36 37 38 39

☐ **Row 40 (WS)** Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 44 times**, dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in top of turning ch. Change to yarn G on the last pull through. (91 dc)

☐ **Row 41 (RS)** Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st**] 44 times**, ch 1, sk next st, dc in top of turning ch (46 dc, 45 ch-1 sps)

☐ **Rows 42 to 47** Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 44 times**, ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, dc in top of turning ch (46 dc, 45 ch-1 sps)

42 43 44 45 46 47

☐ **Row 48 (WS)** Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 44 times**, dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in top of turning ch. Change to yarn H on the last pull through. (91 dc)

☐ **Row 49 (RS)** Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st**] 44 times**, ch 1, sk next st, dc in top of turning ch (46 dc, 45 ch-1 sps)

☐ **Rows 50 to 55** Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 44 times**, ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, dc in top of turning ch (46 dc, 45 ch-1 sps)

50 51 52 53 54 55

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☐ **Row 56 (WS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 44 times**, dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in top of turning ch	(91 dc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

Front: make 2

Yarns in order of use: H, violet cotton; G, royal blue cotton; F, sky blue cotton; E, green cotton; D, yellow cotton; C, orange cotton; B, strawberry red cotton.

☐ **Foundation**	The upper edge of the back: 33 sts across one shoulder, with the right side facing you (which they are: see the note above).	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Join H with sl st in first st, ch 3 (counts as dc), **[**ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st**] 15 times**, ch 1, sk next st, dc in last st	(17 dc, 16 ch-1 sps)
☐ **Rows 2 to 7**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 15 times**, ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, dc in top of turning ch	(17 dc, 16 ch-1 sps)
	2 3 4 5 6 7	
☐ **Row 8 (WS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 15 times**, dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in top of turning ch. Change to yarn G on the last pull through.	(33 dc)
☐ **Row 9 (RS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st**] 15 times**, ch 1, sk next st, dc in top of turning ch	(17 dc, 16 ch-1 sps)
☐ **Rows 10 to 15**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 15 times**, ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, dc in top of turning ch	(17 dc, 16 ch-1 sps)
	10 11 12 13 14 15	
☐ **Row 16 (WS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 15 times**, dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in top of turning ch. Change to yarn F on the last pull through.	(33 dc)
☐ **Row 17 (RS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st**] 15 times**, ch 1, sk next st, dc in top of turning ch	(17 dc, 16 ch-1 sps)
☐ **Rows 18 to 23**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 15 times**, ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, dc in top of turning ch	(17 dc, 16 ch-1 sps)
	18 19 20 21 22 23	
☐ **Row 24 (WS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 15 times**, dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in top of turning ch. Change to yarn E on the last pull through.	(33 dc)
☐ **Row 25 (RS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st**] 15 times**, ch 1, sk next st, dc in top of turning ch	(17 dc, 16 ch-1 sps)
☐ **Rows 26 to 31**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 15 times**, ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, dc in top of turning ch	(17 dc, 16 ch-1 sps)
	26 27 28 29 30 31	
☐ **Row 32 (WS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 15 times**, dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in top of turning ch. Change to yarn D on the last pull through.	(33 dc)
☐ **Row 33 (RS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st**] 15 times**, ch 1, sk next st, dc in top of turning ch	(17 dc, 16 ch-1 sps)

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☐ **Rows 34 to 39**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 15 times**, ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, dc in top of turning ch	(17 dc, 16 ch-1 sps)
	34 35 36 37 38 39	
☐ **Row 40 (WS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 15 times**, dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in top of turning ch. Change to yarn C on the last pull through.	(33 dc)
☐ **Row 41 (RS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st**] 15 times**, ch 1, sk next st, dc in top of turning ch	(17 dc, 16 ch-1 sps)
☐ **Rows 42 to 47**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 15 times**, ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, dc in top of turning ch	(17 dc, 16 ch-1 sps)
	42 43 44 45 46 47	
☐ **Row 48 (WS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 15 times**, dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in top of turning ch. Change to yarn B on the last pull through.	(33 dc)
☐ **Row 49 (RS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st**] 15 times**, ch 1, sk next st, dc in top of turning ch	(17 dc, 16 ch-1 sps)
☐ **Rows 50 to 55**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 15 times**, ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, dc in top of turning ch	(17 dc, 16 ch-1 sps)
	50 51 52 53 54 55	
☐ **Row 56 (WS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 15 times**, dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in top of turning ch	(33 dc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

Sleeve: make 2

Yarns in order of use: H, violet cotton; G, royal blue cotton; F, sky blue cotton; E, green cotton; D, yellow cotton; C, orange cotton; B, strawberry red cotton; A, white cotton.

☐ **Foundation**	The outer edge of the body: 73 sts across, over one shoulder, with the right side facing you (where they are: see the note above).	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Join H with sl st in first st, ch 3 (counts as dc), dc in next 71 sts, dc in last st	(73 dc)
☐ **Row 2 (WS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st**] 35 times**, ch 1, sk next st, dc in top of turning ch	(37 dc, 36 ch-1 sps)
☐ **Row 3 (RS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 35 times**, ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, dc in top of turning ch	(37 dc, 36 ch-1 sps)
☐ **Row 4 (WS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 35 times**, dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in top of turning ch. Change to yarn G on the last pull through.	(73 dc)
☐ **Row 5 (RS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st**] 35 times**, ch 1, sk next st, dc in top of turning ch	(37 dc, 36 ch-1 sps)
☐ **Rows 6 to 7**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 35 times**, ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, dc in top of turning ch	(37 dc, 36 ch-1 sps)
	6 7	
☐ **Row 8 (WS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 35 times**, dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in top of turning ch. Change to yarn F on the last pull through.	(73 dc)

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☐ **Row 9 (RS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st**] 35 times**, ch 1, sk next st, dc in top of turning ch	(37 dc, 36 ch-1 sps)
☐ **Rows 10 to 11**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 35 times**, ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, dc in top of turning ch	(37 dc, 36 ch-1 sps)
10 11		
☐ **Row 12 (WS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 35 times**, dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in top of turning ch. Change to yarn E on the last pull through.	(73 dc)
☐ **Row 13 (RS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st**] 35 times**, ch 1, sk next st, dc in top of turning ch	(37 dc, 36 ch-1 sps)
☐ **Rows 14 to 15**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 35 times**, ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, dc in top of turning ch	(37 dc, 36 ch-1 sps)
14 15		
☐ **Row 16 (WS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 35 times**, dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in top of turning ch. Change to yarn D on the last pull through.	(73 dc)
☐ **Row 17 (RS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st**] 35 times**, ch 1, sk next st, dc in top of turning ch	(37 dc, 36 ch-1 sps)
☐ **Rows 18 to 19**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 35 times**, ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, dc in top of turning ch	(37 dc, 36 ch-1 sps)
18 19		
☐ **Row 20 (WS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 35 times**, dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in top of turning ch. Change to yarn C on the last pull through.	(73 dc)
☐ **Row 21 (RS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st**] 35 times**, ch 1, sk next st, dc in top of turning ch	(37 dc, 36 ch-1 sps)
☐ **Rows 22 to 23**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 35 times**, ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, dc in top of turning ch	(37 dc, 36 ch-1 sps)
22 23		
☐ **Row 24 (WS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 35 times**, dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in top of turning ch. Change to yarn B on the last pull through.	(73 dc)
☐ **Row 25 (RS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**ch 1, sk next st, dc in next st**] 35 times**, ch 1, sk next st, dc in top of turning ch	(37 dc, 36 ch-1 sps)
☐ **Rows 26 to 27**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 35 times**, ch 1, sk next ch-1 sp, dc in top of turning ch	(37 dc, 36 ch-1 sps)
26 27		
☐ **Row 28 (WS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), turn; **[**dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in next st**] 35 times**, dc in next ch-1 sp, dc in top of turning ch. Change to yarn A on the last pull through.	(73 dc)
☐ **Row 29 (RS)**	Ch 1, turn; sc in first st, **[**sk next 2 sts, 5 dc in next st, sk next 2 sts, sc in next st**] 11 times**, sk next 2 sts, 5 dc in next st, sk next 2 sts, sc in top of turning ch	(13 sc, 60 dc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

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Front band

Yarn A, white cotton.

☐ **Foundation**	The outer edge of the open front: 235 sts across, up one front, along the back neck and down the other front, with the right side facing you (where they are: see the note above).	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Join A with sl st in first st, ch 1, hdc in first st, hdc in next 233 sts, hdc in last st	(235 hdc)
☐ **Row 2 (WS)**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in first st, hdc in next 102 sts, 2 hdc2tog, hdc in next 21 sts, 2 hdc2tog, hdc in next 102 sts, hdc in last st	(231 hdc)
☐ **Row 3 (RS)**	Ch 1, turn; hdc in first st, hdc in next 101 sts, 2 hdc2tog, hdc in next 19 sts, 2 hdc2tog, hdc in next 101 sts, hdc in last st	(227 hdc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

Hem

Yarn A, white cotton.

☐ **Foundation**	The lower edge of the body: 163 sts across, from one front to the other, with the right side facing you (where they are: see the note above).	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Join A with sl st in first st, ch 1, sc in first st, sc in next 161 sts, sc in last st	(163 sc)
☐ **Row 2 (WS)**	Ch 1, turn; sc in first st, **[**sk next 2 sts, 5 dc in next st, sk next 2 sts, sc in next st**] 26 times**, sk next 2 sts, 5 dc in next st, sk next 2 sts, sc in last st	(28 sc, 135 dc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

Assembly

1. Side seams, after the sleeves: fold the fronts and the halves of the sleeves down over the back, right sides inside. With a length of yarn A, about 130.6 in (331.7 cm) for each side, begin at the cuff and whip stitch the two edges of the sleeve together, row end to row end, to the armhole, then go on down the side: row 19 of the front to row 38 of the back, row 20 to row 37, and so on, to row 56 of the front and row 1 of the back at the hem. Fasten off, sew the other side and turn the cover-up right side out.

2. Ties: make two in yarn A. For each, leave a tail of about 6 in (15.2 cm), ch 110, slip stitch in the 2nd ch from the hook and in each ch across, fasten off with a tail of the same length. Each is about 23.5 in (59.7 cm) long. With a tail sew one to the outer edge of each side of the band, about 13 in (33 cm) above the hem (beside the 48th st of the band, counted from the hem), and tie them in a bow.

Finishing

- Weave in the ends. The totals count 2 for each color of each piece, 2 for each of the two seams and 2 for each of the two ties; a new ball begun within a color gives 2 more. The slip stitches of the ties are not in the number of stitches.

In all: 7 pieces; 8,877 stitches (2,936 in the back, 1,064 in each front, 1,397 in each sleeve, 693 in the front band, 326 in the hem).

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