**Textile Barometers** 

US Textile Indicators:	Latest Month+	Previous Month++	Year
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<b>Textile mill employment</b> (Bureau of Labor Statistics, thousands)	161.2	162.2	177.9
Mill product employment (BLS, thousands)	152.8	153.8	160.9
Textile mill weekly earnings (BLS)	\$517.59	\$516.43	\$529.60
Mill product weekly earnings (BLS)	\$452.02	\$447.74	\$463.73
Textile mill weekly hours worked (BLS)	39.1	38.8	40.7
Mill product weekly hours worked (BLS)	39.1	38.8	39.2
<b>Textile production index</b> (Federal Reserve Board, 2002=100)	79.9	82.2	87.4
Textile capacity utilization (FRB)	70.3	72.1	74.6
Producer price index, textiles & apparel (BLS, 1982=100)	127.2	126.7	125.0
Man-made fibers (1982=100)	114.3	115.3	113.3
Processed yarns & threads (1982=100)	120.6	119.0	115.0
Greige fabrics (1982=100)	122.5	121.6	119.2
Finished fabrics (1982=100)	130.5	129.4	127.6
Home furnishings (1982=100)	126.2	126.4	125.0
Carpet (1982=100)	156.5	158.6	155.6
Import price index, textile & fabrics (BLS, Dec. 2005=100)	111.9	109.7	104.9
Import price index, textile mill products (BLS, Dec. 2005=100)	101.2	100.9	100.7
*Manufacturers' textile mill sales (Dept. of Commerce, millions)	\$2,862	\$2,895	\$3,041
<b>**Manufacturers' textile product sales</b> (DOC, millions)	\$2,632	\$2,654	\$2,919
Manufacturers' textile mill inventories (DOC, millions)	\$3,815	\$3,837	\$3,701
Manufacturers' textile product inventories (DOC, millions)	\$3,505	\$3,482	\$3,431
Inventory-to-sales ratio, textile mills	1.33	1.33	1.22
Inventory-to-sales ratio, textile products	1.33	1.31	1.18
Clothing & accessories retail sales (DOC, millions, seasonally adjusted)	\$18,932	\$18,901	\$18,502
Stock price index (Standard & Poor's, 1994=100)	183.4	189.2	263.0
Imports (DOC, millions, January year-to-date total)	\$7,636	\$96,407	\$7,951
<b>Exports</b> (DOC, millions, January year-to-date total)	\$1,278	\$15,956	\$1,253
US Economic Indicators:			
Employment (BLS, thousands)	145,993	146,248	145,419
Unemployment rate (BLS)	4.8	4.9	4.5
Industrial production index (FRB, 1997=100)	114.2	4.	111.6
Consumer price index (BLS, 1982-84=100)	211.1	210.0	202.4
Producer price index (BLS, 1982=100)	180.8	178.6	164.2
Personal income (DOC, billions)	\$11,853.5	\$11,735.0	\$11,200.2
<b>Disposable personal income</b> (DOC, billions)	\$10,341.3	\$10,245.2	\$9,799.2
Disposable personal income per capita (DOC)	\$34,104	\$33,874	\$32,626
<b>Housing starts</b> (DOC, millions, thousands, seasonally adjusted)	1,012	1,004	1,403
Operating rates — all industries (FRB)	81.5	81.5	81.1
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\*Textile mill numbers include yarns, spinning, texturing, throwing and twisting, and all types of fabrics and finishing.

\*\*Textile products numbers include carpet and rugs, curtains, draperies, other home textiles, canvas, tire cord, and fabric and textile bags.