Textile Barometers

US Textile Indicators:	Latest	Previous	Year
	Month+	Month++	Ago
Textile mill employment (Bureau of Labor Statistics, thousands)	166.1	166.9	186.3
Mill product employment (BLS, thousands)	151.7	152.0	158.1
Textile mill weekly earnings (BLS)	\$533.26	\$517.60	\$513.42
Mill product weekly earnings (BLS)	\$449.82	\$457.45	\$480.40
Textile mill weekly hours worked (BLS)	40.8 37.8	40.4 39.0	40.4 39.8
Mill product weekly hours worked (BLS) Textile production index (Federal Reserve Board, 2002=100)	37.0 82.4	82.5	37.0 89.8
Textile capacity utilization (FRB)	82.4 72.0	71.9	07.0 75.8
Producer price index, textiles & apparel (BLS, 1982=100)	126.3	126.3	125.0
Man-made fibers (1982=100)	120.3	114.5	123.0
Processed yarns & threads (1982=100)	117.6	111.5	115.2
Greige fabrics (1982=100)	121.5	121.6	120.2
Finished fabrics (1982=100)	121.5	121.0	127.7
Home furnishings (1982=100)	126.2	125.2	124.1
Carpet (1982=100)	157.4	157.0	156.3
Import price index, textile & fabrics (BLS, Dec. 2005=100)	108.2	108.3	102.7
Import price index, textile mill products (BLS, Dec. 2005=100)	100.4	100.3	100.6
*Manufacturers' textile mill sales (Dept. of Commerce, millions)	\$2,885	\$2,876	\$3,029
**Manufacturers' textile product sales (DOC, millions)	\$2,743	\$2,727	\$2,976
Manufacturers' textile mill inventories (DOC, millions)	\$3,820	\$3,836	\$4,081
Manufacturers' textile product inventories (DOC, millions)	\$3,472	\$3,475	\$3,682
Inventory-to-sales ratio, textile mills	1.32	1.33	1.35
Inventory-to-sales ratio, textile products	1.27	1.27	1.24
Clothing & accessories retail sales (DOC, millions, seasonally adjusted)	\$19,312	\$18,830	\$18,110
Stock price index (Standard & Poor's, 1994=100)	203.6	232.7	214.0
Imports (DOC, millions, October year-to-date total)	\$82,070	\$72,946	\$78,764
Exports (DOC, millions, October year-to-date total)	\$ 3,5 8	\$12.088	\$ 4, 98
US Economic Indicators:			
Employment (BLS, thousands)	146,703	146,007	145,623
Unemployment rate (BLS)	4.7	4.7	4.5
Industrial production index (FRB, 1997=100)	114.0	114.6	112.0
Consumer price index (BLS, 1982-84=100)	208.9	208.5	201.8
Producer price index (BLS, 1982=100)	174.4	173.5	165.1
Personal income (DOC, billions)	\$,74 .8	\$11,577.3	\$, 30.9
Disposable personal income (DOC, billions)	\$10,251.3	\$10,099.7	\$9,675.8
Disposable personal income per capita (DOC)	\$33,830	\$33,413	\$32,23 I
Housing starts (DOC, millions, thousands, seasonally adjusted)	1,229	1,193	1,470
Operating rates — all industries (FRB)	81.7	82.2	81.7

+ Preliminary ++ Revised

*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.