Textile Barometers

	Latest	Previous	Year
US Textile Indicators:	Month ⁺	Month ⁺⁺	Ago
Textile mill employment (Bureau of Labor Statistics, thousands)	120.4	119.8	119.9
Mill product employment (BLS, thousands)	115.7	115.5	119.7
Textile mill weekly earnings (BLS)	\$587.72	\$531.47	\$530.20
Mill product weekly earnings (BLS)	\$468.00	\$436.73	\$455.13
Textile mill weekly hours worked (BLS)	42.2	39.3	39.7
Mill product weekly hours worked (BLS)	39.0	337.9	39.1
Textile mill production (Federal Reserve Board, 2007=100)	84.4	81.5	76.3
Textile product production (FRB, 2007=100)	75.8	74.9	78.2
Textile capacity utilization (FRB)	70.4	68.6	65.1
Producer price index, textiles & apparel (BLS, 1982=100)	137.7	135.3	130.4
Man-made fibers (1982=100)	110.8	111.1	3.
Processed yarns & threads (1982=100)	153.2	47.0	123.0
Greige fabrics (1982=100)	137.6	132.3	127.6
Finished fabrics (1982=100)	144.4	4 .0	135.1
Home furnishings (1982=100)	135.5	134.8	131.6
Carpet (1982=100)	171.4	172.0	167.1
Import price index, textile & fabrics (BLS, Dec. 2005=100)	123.2	119.4	115.9
Import price index, textile mill products (BLS, Dec. 2005=100)	108.8	107.7	0.101
*Manufacturers' textile mill sales (Dept. of Commerce, millions)	\$2,483	\$2,394	\$2,279
**Manufacturers' textile product sales (DOC, millions)	\$1,837	\$1,852	\$1,892
Manufacturers' textile mill inventories (DOC, millions)	\$3,335	\$3,285	\$2,982
Manufacturers' textile product inventories (DOC, millions)	\$3,085	\$3,055	\$2,789
Inventory-to-sales ratio, textile mills	1.34	1.37	1.31
Inventory-to-sales ratio, textile products	1.68	1.65	1.47
Clothing & accessories retail sales (DOC, millions, seasonally adjusted)	\$18,615	\$18,475	\$17,938
Imports (DOC, millions, January year-to-date total)	\$7,933	\$93,278	\$6,549
Exports (DOC, millions, January year-to-date total)	\$1,657	\$16,160	\$1,374
US Economic Indicators:			
Employment (BLS, thousands)	139,573	139,323	138,698
Unemployment rate (BLS)	8.9	9.0	9.7
Industrial production index (FRB, 2007=100)	95.5	95.6	90.4
Consumer price index (BLS, 1982-84=100)	220.2	219.2	216.7
Producer price index , all commodities (BLS, 1982=100)	195.5	192.2	181.0
Personal income (DOC, billions)	\$12,715.3	\$12,595.5	\$12,239.0
Disposable personal income (DOC, billions)	\$11,509.1	\$11,417.3	\$11,121.7
Disposable personal income per capita (DOC)	\$36,990	\$36,778	\$36,049
Housing starts (DOC, thousands, seasonally adjusted)	479	618	605
Operating rates — all industries (FRB)	76.3	76.4	72.4

+ 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.