**Textile Barometers** 

|  | Latest             | Previous            | Year       |
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| US Textile Indicators:   | Month <sup>+</sup> | Month <sup>++</sup> | Ago        |
| <b>Textile mill employment</b> (Bureau of Labor Statistics, thousands)   | 118.8              | 119.4               | 121.3      |
| Mill product employment (BLS, thousands)                                 | 113.0              | 3.                  | 118.0      |
| Textile mill weekly earnings (BLS)                                       | \$585.59           | \$581.36            | \$580.25   |
| Mill product weekly earnings (BLS)                                       | \$521.16           | \$504.59            | \$473.41   |
| Textile mill weekly hours worked (BLS)                                   | 43.0               | 43.3                | 41.8       |
| Mill product weekly hours worked (BLS)                                   | 40.4               | 40.0                | 39.0       |
| <b>Textile mill production</b> (Federal Reserve Board, 2007=100)         | 80.7               | 81.4                | 76.7       |
| Textile product production (FRB, 2007=100)                               | 69.4               | 70.2                | 71.7       |
| Textile capacity utilization (FRB)                                       | 68.8               | 69.4                | 67.6       |
| Producer price index, textiles & apparel (BLS, 1982=100)                 | 142.3              | 142.0               | 143.7      |
| Man-made fibers (1982=100)   | 122.2              | 122.8               | 119.8      |
| Processed yarns & threads (1982=100)                                     | 142.4              | 140.6               | 158.9      |
| Greige fabrics (1982=100)  | 140.6              | 140.6               | 151.8      |
| Finished fabrics (1982=100)  | 150.6              | 150.8               | 150.4      |
| Home furnishings (1982=100)  | 145.6              | 44.                 | 140.4      |
| Carpet (1982=100)  | 0.181              | 181.9               | 178.9      |
| Import price index, textile & fabrics (BLS, Dec. 2005=100)               | 134.0              | 134.0               | 130.6      |
| Import price index, textile mill products (BLS, Dec. 2005=100)           | 115.8              | 115.8               | 117.9      |
| *Manufacturers' textile mill sales (Dept. of Commerce, millions)         | \$2,460            | \$2,450             | \$2,518    |
| **Manufacturers' textile product sales (DOC, millions)                   | \$1,948            | \$1,934             | \$1,861    |
| Manufacturers' textile mill inventories (DOC, millions)                  | \$3,381            | \$3,399             | \$3,518    |
| Manufacturers' textile product inventories (DOC, millions)               | \$3,166            | \$3,182             | \$3,212    |
| Inventory-to-sales ratio, textile mills                                  | 1.37               | 1.39                | 1.40       |
| Inventory-to-sales ratio, textile products                               | 1.63               | 1.65                | 1.73       |
| Clothing & accessories retail sales (DOC, millions, seasonally adjusted) | \$19,949           | \$19,970            | \$18,862   |
| Imports (DOC, millions, July year-to-date total)                         | \$57,236           | \$47,223            | \$56,821   |
| <b>Exports</b> (DOC, millions, July year-to-date total)                  | \$13,204           | \$11,355            | \$12,988   |
| US Economic Indicators:  |                    |                     |            |
| Employment (BLS, thousands)  | 142,101            | 142,220             | 139,754    |
| Unemployment rate (BLS)  | 8.1                | 8.3                 | 9.1        |
| Industrial production index (FRB, 2007=100)                              | 96.8               | 98.0                | 94.2       |
| Consumer price index (BLS, 1982-84=100)                                  | 229.1              | 229.5               | 225.9      |
| Producer price index , all commodities (BLS, 1982=100)                   | 202.6              | 200.0               | 225.9      |
| Personal income (DOC, billions)  | \$13,362.4         | \$13,227.1          | \$12,938.9 |
| Disposable personal income (DOC, billions)                               | \$11,887.7         | \$11,776.4          | \$11,542.3 |
| Disposable personal income per capita (DOC)                              | \$37,862           | \$37,571            | \$37,028   |
| Housing starts (DOC, thousands, seasonally adjusted)                     | 750                | 733                 | 581        |
| Operating rates — all industries (FRB)                                   | 78.2               | 79.3                | 77.1       |
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+ 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.