**Textile Barometers** 

US Textile Indicators:	Latest	Previous	Year
	Month+	Month++	Ago
<b>Textile mill employment</b> (Bureau of Labor Statistics, thousands)	171.1	173.4	196.4
Mill product employment (BLS, thousands)	154.8	155.5	160.3
Textile mill weekly earnings (BLS)	\$525.11	\$519.87	\$510.79
Mill product weekly earnings (BLS)	\$486.34	\$469.66	\$486.42
Textile mill weekly hours worked (BLS)	40.4	40.4	40.7
Mill product weekly hours worked (BLS)	40.5	39.8	40.2
Textile production index (Federal Reserve Board, 2002=100)	86.6	86.7	93.8
Textile capacity utilization (FRB)	74.7	74.6	78.9
Producer price index, textiles & apparel (BLS, 1982=100)	126.0	125.4	124.2
Man-made fibers (1982=100)	114.9	114.5	115.0
Processed yarns & threads (1982=100)	115.4	115.8	113.4
Greige fabrics (1982=100)	119.4	119.6	120.2
Finished fabrics (1982=100)	127.5	127.8	127.6
Home furnishings (1982=100)	125.3	124.4	122.8
Carpet (1982=100)	156.2	153.1	151.8
Import price index, textile & fabrics (BLS, Dec. 2005=100)	106.6	105.7	102.4
Import price index, textile mill products (BLS, Dec. 2005=100)	100.6	100.4	100.3
*Manufacturers' textile mill sales (Dept. of Commerce, millions)	\$2,928	\$2,885	\$3,104
<b>**Manufacturers' textile product sales</b> (DOC, millions)	\$2,870	\$2,848	\$3,120
Manufacturers' textile mill inventories (DOC, millions)	\$3,738	\$3,777	\$4,144
Manufacturers' textile product inventories (DOC, millions)	\$3,534	\$3,482	\$3,65 I
Inventory-to-sales ratio, textile mills	1.28	1.31	1.34
Inventory-to-sales ratio, textile products	1.23	1.22	1.17
<b>Clothing &amp; accessories retail sales</b> (DOC, millions, seasonally adjusted)	\$ 8,7	\$18,980	\$17,856
Stock price index (Standard & Poor's, 1994=100)	273.2	247.6	203.7
Imports (DOC, millions, May year-to-date total)	\$36,983	\$29,430	\$34,43 I
<b>Exports</b> (DOC, millions, May year-to-date total)	\$6,646	\$5,252	\$7,046
US Economic Indicators:			
Employment (BLS, thousands)	146,140	145,956	144,386
Unemployment rate (BLS)	4.5	4.5	4.6
Industrial production index (FRB, 1997=100)	112.7	2.7	110.9
Consumer price index (BLS, 1982-84=100)	207.9	206.7	202.5
Producer price index (BLS, 1982=100)	173.4	171.2	163.8
Personal income (DOC, billions)	\$11,352.9	\$11,096.6	\$10,721.4
Disposable personal income (DOC, billions)	\$9,903.5	\$9,704.3	\$9,388.8
Disposable personal income per capita (DOC)	\$32,849	\$32,258	\$31,437
Housing starts (DOC, millions, thousands, seasonally adjusted)	1,474	1,506	1,944
Operating rates — all industries (FRB)	81.3	81.5	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.