**Textile Barometers** 

	Latest	Previous	Year
US Textile Indicators:	Month <sup>+</sup>	$Month^{++}$	Ago
Textile mill employment (Bureau of Labor Statistics, thousands)	131.2	134.0	161.2
Mill product employment (BLS, thousands)	136.2	138.6	150.7
Textile mill weekly earnings (BLS)	\$491.11	\$510.13	\$513.98
Mill product weekly earnings (BLS)	\$423.04	\$424.93	\$453.95
Textile mill weekly hours worked (BLS)	36.4	37.1	38.9
Mill product weekly hours worked (BLS)	36.7	36.9	39.4
Textile mill production (Federal Reserve Board, 2002=100)	53.1	53.4	66.8
Textile product production (FRB, 2002=100)	78.4	79.9	87.0
Textile capacity utilization (FRB)	58.9	59.4	68.3
Producer price index, textiles & apparel (BLS, 1982=100)	130.2	129.4	127.2
Man-made fibers (1982=100)	115.4	114.5	4.
Processed yarns & threads (1982=100)	121.0	121.3	120.0
Greige fabrics (1982=100)	128.5	125.9	121.8
Finished fabrics (1982=100)	136.1	134.8	130.4
Home furnishings (1982=100)	129.3	128.3	126.0
Carpet (1982=100)	164.8	163.9	157.3
Import price index, textile & fabrics (BLS, Dec. 2005=100)	113.8	112.7	0.111
Import price index, textile mill products (BLS, Dec. 2005=100)	100.9	101.1	101.2
*Manufacturers' textile mill sales (Dept. of Commerce, millions)	\$2,332	\$2,364	\$2,635
<b>**Manufacturers' textile product sales</b> (DOC, millions)	\$1,906	\$1,930	\$2,127
Manufacturers' textile mill inventories (DOC, millions)	\$3,563	\$3,633	\$3,765
Manufacturers' textile product inventories (DOC, millions)	\$3,004	\$3,208	\$3,353
Inventory-to-sales ratio, textile mills	1.53	1.54	1.43
Inventory-to-sales ratio, textile products	1.58	1.66	1.58
Clothing & accessories retail sales (DOC, millions, seasonally adjusted)		\$17,739	\$18,804
Imports (DOC, millions, January year-to-date total)	\$6,990	\$93,187	\$7,636
<b>Exports</b> (DOC, millions, January year-to-date total)	1,022	\$16,185	\$1,278
US Economic Indicators:			
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Employment (BLS, thousands)	141,748	142,099	146,075
Unemployment rate (BLS)	8.1	7.6	4.8
Industrial production index (FRB, 2002=100)	101.3	103.2	112.6
Consumer price index (BLS, 1982-84=100)	2  .   7	210.2 171.3	211.1 169.1
Producer price index, all commodities (BLS, 1982=100)		\$12,170.4	169.1 \$11,872.1
Personal income (DOC, billions) Disposable personal income (DOC, billions)	\$12,144.4 \$10,652	\$12,170.4 \$10,699.7	
Disposable personal income (DOC, billions) Disposable personal income per capita (DOC)	\$10,652 \$34,854	\$10,699.7 \$35,096	\$10,351.5 \$34,179
Housing starts (DOC, millions, thousands, seasonally adjusted)	\$34,034 466	\$35,096 560	¢54,179 1,064
Operating rates — all industries (FRB)	72	73.3	1,064
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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.