

**US Textile Indicators:**

	<b>Latest Month<sup>+</sup></b>	<b>Previous Month<sup>++</sup></b>	<b>Year Ago</b>
<b>Textile mill employment</b> (Bureau of Labor Statistics, thousands)	124.8	123.8	124.2
<b>Mill product employment</b> (BLS, thousands)	117.7	117.7	122.1
<b>Textile mill weekly earnings</b> (BLS)	\$557.98	\$560.59	\$517.15
<b>Mill product weekly earnings</b> (BLS)	\$458.55	\$464.53	\$433.13
<b>Textile mill weekly hours worked</b> (BLS)	40.6	40.3	39.4
<b>Mill product weekly hours worked</b> (BLS)	39.3	39.2	38.9
<b>Textile mill production</b> (Federal Reserve Board, 2007=100)	78.9	79.5	76.1
<b>Textile product production</b> (FRB, 2007=100)	76.7	77.5	78.0
<b>Textile capacity utilization</b> (FRB)	68.2	68.5	65.1
<b>Producer price index, textiles &amp; apparel</b> (BLS, 1982=100)	132.5	132.1	129.6
Man-made fibers (1982=100)	109.0	108.6	111.9
Processed yarns & threads (1982=100)	131.3	130.3	121.8
Greige fabrics (1982=100)	132.4	131.0	125.9
Finished fabrics (1982=100)	138.3	138.6	134.4
Home furnishings (1982=100)	135.2	133.0	129.3
Carpet (1982=100)	171.5	169.5	170.3
<b>Import price index, textile &amp; fabrics</b> (BLS, Dec. 2005=100)	116.7	116.3	115.9
<b>Import price index, textile mill products</b> (BLS, Dec. 2005=100)	106.4	104.9	100.3
<b>*Manufacturers' textile mill sales</b> (Dept. of Commerce, millions)	\$2,364	\$2,346	\$2,230
<b>**Manufacturers' textile product sales</b> (DOC, millions)	\$1,854	\$1,832	\$1,822
<b>Manufacturers' textile mill inventories</b> (DOC, millions)	\$3,193	\$3,177	\$3,037
<b>Manufacturers' textile product inventories</b> (DOC, millions)	\$3,031	\$3,015	\$2,778
<b>Inventory-to-sales ratio, textile mills</b>	1.35	1.35	1.36
<b>Inventory-to-sales ratio, textile products</b>	1.63	1.65	1.52
<b>Clothing &amp; accessories retail sales</b> (DOC, millions, seasonally adjusted)	\$18,682	\$18,719	\$17,397
<b>Imports</b> (DOC, millions, November year-to-date total)	\$86,322	\$78,548	\$74,600
<b>Exports</b> (DOC, millions, November year-to-date total)	\$14,868	\$13,490	\$12,493

**US Economic Indicators:**

<b>Employment</b> (BLS, thousands)	139,206	138,909	137,980
<b>Unemployment rate</b> (BLS)	9.4	9.9	10.2
<b>Industrial production index</b> (FRB, 2007=100)	94.9	94.1	89.0
<b>Consumer price index</b> (BLS, 1982-84=100)	218.8	218.7	216.3
<b>Producer price index, all commodities</b> (BLS, 1982=100)	189.9	188.0	178.1
<b>Personal income</b> (DOC, billions)	\$12,592.8	\$12,517.1	\$12,164.0
<b>Disposable personal income</b> (DOC, billions)	\$11,415.1	\$11,368.0	\$11,047.0
<b>Disposable personal income per capita</b> (DOC)	\$36,771	\$36,704	\$35,888
<b>Housing starts</b> (DOC, thousands, seasonally adjusted)	529	553	576
<b>Operating rates — all industries</b> (FRB)	76.0	75.4	71.6

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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.