## Textile Barometers

US Textile Indicators:	Latest	Previous	Year
	Month <sup>+</sup>	Month <sup>++</sup>	Ago
<b>Textile mill employment</b> (Bureau of Labor Statistics, thousands)	114.5	114.9	119.1
Mill product employment (BLS, thousands)	116.9	7.3	116.4
Textile mill weekly earnings (BLS)	\$574.98	\$555.79	\$576.52
Mill product weekly earnings (BLS)	\$493.44	\$489.35	\$497.27
Textile mill weekly hours worked (BLS)	42.2	40.8	42.9
Mill product weekly hours worked (BLS)	38.5	38.3	40.2
<b>Textile mill production</b> (Federal Reserve Board, 2007=100)	77.9	77.8	83.8
Textile product production (FRB, 2007=100)	69.9	70.6	71.7
Textile capacity utilization (FRB)	68.5	68.6	70.5
Producer price index, textiles & apparel (BLS, 1982=100)	143.4	142.9	141.6
Man-made fibers (1982=100)	123.0	122.6	122.4
Processed yarns & threads (1982=100)	142.6	141.9	144.9
Greige fabrics (1982=100)	40.	139.5	143.5
Finished fabrics (1982=100)	150.9	150.4	150.9
Home furnishings (1982=100)	44.	143.7	4 .7
Carpet (1982=100)	176.6	178.0	180.4
Import price index, textile & fabrics (BLS, Dec. 2005=100)	102.1	102.0	101.3
Import price index, textile mill products (BLS, Dec. 2005=100)	6.	115.6	117.7
*Manufacturers' textile mill sales (Dept. of Commerce, millions)	\$2,490	\$2,497	\$2,465
**Manufacturers' textile product sales (DOC, millions)	\$1,995	\$1,970	\$1,940
Manufacturers' textile mill inventories (DOC, millions)	\$3,331	\$3,338	\$3,500
Manufacturers' textile product inventories (DOC, millions)	\$3,206	\$3,207	\$3,220
Inventory-to-sales ratio, textile mills	1.34	1.34	1.42
Inventory-to-sales ratio, textile products	1.61	1.63	1.66
Clothing & accessories retail sales (DOC, millions, seasonally adjusted)	\$20,481	\$20,446	\$19,872
<b>Imports</b> (DOC, millions, January year-to-date total)	\$8,652	\$100,932	\$8,660
<b>Exports</b> (DOC, millions, January year-to-date total)	\$1,790	\$22,619	\$1,762
US Economic Indicators:			
<b>Employment</b> (BLS, thousands)	143,492	143,322	142,019
Unemployment rate (BLS)	7.7	7.9	8.3
Industrial production index (FRB, 2007=100)	99.5	98.8	97.1
Consumer price index (BLS, 1982-84=100)	230.3	229.6	226.7
Producer price index , all commodities (BLS, 1982=100)	204.3	202.4	201.6
Personal income (DOC, billions)	\$13,663.2	\$13,406.2	\$13,017.4
Disposable personal income (DOC, billions)	\$12,157.0	\$11,929.7	\$11,598.3
Disposable personal income per capita (DOC)	\$38,574	\$37,925	\$37,065
Housing starts (DOC, thousands, seasonally adjusted)	917	910	718
Operating rates — all industries (FRB)	79.6	79.2	79.0
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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.