

**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)	116.5	116.8	119.4
<b>Mill product employment</b> (BLS, thousands)	118.0	117.8	115.3
<b>Textile mill weekly earnings</b> (BLS)	\$553.81	\$540.65	\$567.06
<b>Mill product weekly earnings</b> (BLS)	\$496.31	\$535.42	\$494.00
<b>Textile mill weekly hours worked</b> (BLS)	40.4	40.8	42.6
<b>Mill product weekly hours worked</b> (BLS)	38.3	39.3	40.3
<b>Textile mill production</b> (Federal Reserve Board, 2007=100)	78.3	76.6	82.9
<b>Textile product production</b> (FRB, 2007=100)	71.1	72.3	71.2
<b>Textile capacity utilization</b> (FRB)	69.0	68.5	68.7
<b>Producer price index, textiles &amp; apparel</b> (BLS, 1982=100)	142.9	142.1	142.1
Man-made fibers (1982=100)	122.8	120.8	121.1
Processed yarns & threads (1982=100)	141.9	141.3	145.1
Greige fabrics (1982=100)	139.5	139.6	143.7
Finished fabrics (1982=100)	150.4	149.8	151.0
Home furnishings (1982=100)	143.7	143.6	141.9
Carpet (1982=100)	178.0	177.1	179.4
<b>Import price index, textile &amp; fabrics</b> (BLS, Dec. 2005=100)	101.9	102.3	101.2
<b>Import price index, textile mill products</b> (BLS, Dec. 2005=100)	115.6	115.9	117.8
<b>*Manufacturers' textile mill sales</b> (Dept. of Commerce, millions)	\$2,510	\$2,498	\$2,456
<b>**Manufacturers' textile product sales</b> (DOC, millions)	\$1,962	\$1,975	\$1,937
<b>Manufacturers' textile mill inventories</b> (DOC, millions)	\$3,343	\$3,349	\$3,513
<b>Manufacturers' textile product inventories</b> (DOC, millions)	\$3,226	\$3,208	\$3,285
<b>Inventory-to-sales ratio, textile mills</b>	1.33	1.34	1.43
<b>Inventory-to-sales ratio, textile products</b>	1.64	1.62	1.70
<b>Clothing &amp; accessories retail sales</b> (DOC, millions, seasonally adjusted)	\$20,278	\$20,343	\$19,416
<b>Imports</b> (DOC, millions, December year-to-date total)	\$100,932	\$93,518	\$101,324
<b>Exports</b> (DOC, millions, December year-to-date total)	\$22,619	\$20,915	\$22,405

**US Economic Indicators:**

<b>Employment</b> (BLS, thousands)	143,322	143,305	141,608
<b>Unemployment rate</b> (BLS)	7.9	7.8	8.3
<b>Industrial production index</b> (FRB, 2007=100)	98.6	98.7	96.6
<b>Consumer price index</b> (BLS, 1982-84=100)	229.6	230.2	225.7
<b>Producer price index, all commodities</b> (BLS, 1982=100)	202.4	201.5	200.6
<b>Personal income</b> (DOC, billions)	\$13,655.9	\$13,399.7	\$13,017.4
<b>Disposable personal income</b> (DOC, billions)	\$12,159.7	\$11,924.5	\$11,598.3
<b>Disposable personal income per capita</b> (DOC)	\$38,582	\$37,908	\$37,065
<b>Housing starts</b> (DOC, thousands, seasonally adjusted)	890	973	720
<b>Operating rates — all industries</b> (FRB)	79.1	79.3	78.7

+ 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.