

U.S. Textile Indicators:	Latest Month+	Previous Month++	Year Ago
Employment (Bureau of Labor Statistics, thousands)	425	426	459
Production workers (BLS, thousands)	351	352	383
Weekly earnings (BLS)	\$479.35	\$489.70	\$445.66
Weekly hours worked (BLS)	41.0	41.1	39.4
Textile production index (Federal Reserve Board, 1992=100)	85.3	85.9	85.9
Textile capacity utilization (FRB)	76.0	76.3	73.1
Producer price index, textiles & apparel (BLS, 1982=100)	119.7	119.7	121.1
Man-made fibers (1982=100)	106.0	106.0	107.8
Processed yarns & threads (1982=100)	102.4	102.4	104.2
Greige fabrics (1982=100)	112.2	112.3	114.7
Finished fabrics (1982=100)	120.8	121.0	122.5
Home furnishings (1982=100)	122.1	121.8	122.4
Carpet (1982=100)	131.5	130.9	128.1
*Manufacturers' textile mill sales (Dept. of Commerce, millions)	\$3,445	\$3,533	\$3,649
**Manufacturers' textile product sales (DOC, millions)	\$3,080	\$3,062	\$2,906
Manufacturers' textile mill inventories (DOC, millions)	\$4,981	\$5,041	\$5,867
Manufacturers' textile product inventories (DOC, millions)	\$4,573	\$4,547	\$4,537
Inventory-to-sales ratio, textile mills	1.45	1.43	1.61
Inventory-to-sales ratio, textile products	1.48	1.48	1.56
Clothing & accessories retail sales (DOC, millions, seasonally adjusted)	\$14,694	\$14,128	\$14,130
Stock price index (Standard & Poor's, 1994=100)	129.1	138.6	120.6
Imports (DOC, millions, September year-to-date total)	\$59,803	\$52,100	\$60,429
Exports (DOC, millions, September year-to-date total)	\$11,951	\$10,618	\$12,889
U.S. Economic Indicators:			
Employment (BLS, thousands)	134,914	135,185	134,615
Unemployment rate (BLS)	5.7	5.6	5.4
Industrial production index (FRB, 1987=100)	140.5	140.6	138.4
Consumer price index (BLS, 1982-84=100)	181.0	180.7	178.3
Producer price index (BLS, 1982=100)	132.0	131.5	133.4
Personal income (DOC, billions)	\$8,992.4	\$8,913.7	\$8,706.2
Disposable personal income (DOC, billions)	\$7,874.4	\$7,786.6	\$7,222.0
Disposable personal income per capita (DOC)	\$27,364	\$27,124	\$26,387
Housing starts (DOC, millions, thousands, seasonally adjusted)	1,843	1,627	1,582
Operating rates — all industries (FRB)	75.9	76.0	75.5

+ 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.