Textile Barometers

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U.S. Textile Indicators:	Latest Month+	Previous Month++	Year Ago
Employment (Bureau of Labor Statistics, thousands)	429	432	475
Production workers (BLS, thousands)	354	357	398
Weekly earnings (BLS)	\$480.26	\$489.39	\$444.57
Weekly hours worked (BLS)	41.4	41.5	39.7
Textile production index (Federal Reserve Board, 1992=100)	88.1	87.5	86.8
Textile capacity utilization (FRB)	77.9	76.9	74.9
Producer price index, textiles & apparel (BLS, 1982=100)	120.0	119.8	121.3
Man-made fibers (1982=100)	105.4	106.4	107.7
Processed yarns & threads (1982=100)	104.3	103.1	106.5
Greige fabrics (1982=100)	113.0	3.	114.5
Finished fabrics (1982=100)	121.0	121.1	123.3
Home furnishings (1982=100)	122.0	121.7	122.4
Carpet (1982=100)	129.1	129.0	129.7
*Manufacturers' textile mill sales (Dept. of Commerce, millions)	\$3,520	\$3,656	\$3,789
**Manufacturers' textile product sales (DOC, millions)	\$3,110	\$3,157	\$2,852
Manufacturers' textile mill inventories (DOC, millions)	\$5,116	\$5,122	\$6,127
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Inventory-to-sales ratio, textile mills	1.45	1.40	1.62
Inventory-to-sales ratio, textile products	1.45	1.41	1.64
Clothing & accessories retail sales (DOC, millions, seasonally adjusted)	\$14,466	\$14,653	\$14,224
Stock price index (Standard & Poor's, 1994=100)	135.0	149.8	128.2
Imports (DOC, millions, June year-to-date total)	\$35,600	\$28,994	\$37,994
Exports (DOC, millions, June year-to-date total)	\$7,903	\$6,521	\$8,873
U.S. Economic Indicators:			
Employment (BLS, thousands)	134,045	134,053	135,106
Unemployment rate (BLS)	5.9	5.9	4.6
Industrial production index (FRB, 1987=100)	140.6	139.5	140.3
Consumer price index (BLS, 1982-84=100)	179.9	179.8	178.0
Producer price index (BLS, 1982=100)	3 .	131.0	135.7
Personal income (DOC, billions)	\$8,921.5	\$8,810.4	\$8,676.2
Disposable personal income (DOC, billions)	\$7,789.8	\$7,668.3	\$7,340.0
Disposable personal income per capita (DOC)	\$26,964	\$26,621	\$25,717
Housing starts (DOC, millions, thousands, seasonally adjusted)	1,672	1,735	1,633
Operating rates — all industries (FRB)	76.1	75.6	76.7

+ 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.