

	Latest Month+	Previous Month++	Year Ago
<b>U.S. Textile Indicators:</b>			
<b>Textile mill employment</b> (Bureau of Labor Statistics, thousands)	239.8	241.3	278.7
<b>Mill product employment</b> (BLS, thousands)	175.8	175.0	188.0
<b>Textile mill production workers</b> (BLS, thousands)	194.6	196.1	231.3
<b>Mill product production workers</b> (BLS, thousands)	139.0	138.2	147.4
<b>Textile mill weekly earnings</b> (BLS)	\$487.22	\$492.47	\$467.61
<b>Mill product weekly earnings</b> (BLS)	\$444.24	\$458.61	\$430.68
<b>Textile mill weekly hours worked</b> (BLS)	39.9	39.8	39.0
<b>Mill product weekly hours worked</b> (BLS)	39.3	39.5	39.0
<b>Textile production index</b> (Federal Reserve Board, 1997=100)	76.1	77.1	80.8
<b>Textile capacity utilization</b> (FRB)	71.5	72.2	73.2
<b>Producer price index, textiles &amp; apparel</b> (BLS, 1982=100)	119.5	119.7	119.7
Man-made fibers (1982=100)	105.7	105.9	106.6
Processed yarns & threads (1982=100)	105.4	104.5	102.6
Greige fabrics (1982=100)	110.6	111.2	112.7
Finished fabrics (1982=100)	120.9	121.2	121.4
Home furnishings (1982=100)	122.3	122.3	122.1
Carpet (1982=100)	132.0	134.9	130.0
<b>*Manufacturers' textile mill sales</b> (Dept. of Commerce, millions)	\$3,267	\$3,324	\$3,391
<b>**Manufacturers' textile product sales</b> (DOC, millions)	\$3,240	\$3,089	\$2,858
<b>Manufacturers' textile mill inventories</b> (DOC, millions)	\$5,003	\$5,025	\$4,944
<b>Manufacturers' textile product inventories</b> (DOC, millions)	\$5,132	\$5,106	\$4,911
<b>Inventory-to-sales ratio, textile mills</b>	1.53	1.51	1.46
<b>Inventory-to-sales ratio, textile products</b>	1.58	1.65	1.73
<b>Clothing &amp; accessories retail sales</b> (DOC, millions, seasonally adjusted)	\$15,680	\$15,245	\$14,698
<b>Stock price index</b> (Standard & Poor's, 1994=100)	149.7	151.0	137.2
<b>Imports</b> (DOC, millions, November year-to-date total)	\$85,419	\$78,936	\$79,900
<b>Exports</b> (DOC, millions, November year-to-date total)	\$15,417	\$14,343	\$15,748

## U.S. Economic Indicators:

<b>Employment</b> (BLS, thousands)	138,566	138,479	137,447
<b>Unemployment rate</b> (BLS)	5.6	5.7	5.8
<b>Industrial production index</b> (FRB, 1997=100)	113.2	113.1	110.7
<b>Consumer price index</b> (BLS, 1982-84=100)	184.3	184.5	180.9
<b>Producer price index</b> (BLS, 1982=100)	139.4	138.9	135.5
<b>Personal income</b> (DOC, billions)	\$9,312.6	\$9,242.5	\$8,981.3
<b>Disposable personal income</b> (DOC, billions)	\$8,308.3	\$8,306.6	\$7,935.6
<b>Disposable personal income per capita</b> (DOC)	\$28,371	\$28,443	\$27,381
<b>Housing starts</b> (DOC, millions, thousands, seasonally adjusted)	2,088	2,054	1,815
<b>Operating rates — all industries</b> (FRB)	75.8	75.8	74.9

+ 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.