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## SYNOPSIS OF REPLIES TO QUESTIONNAIRE CONCERNING STATISTICS AVAILABLE ON TEXTILES AND CLOTHING

The Technical Sub-group on Documentation agreed at the meeting of 5 June to issue a questionnaire concerning the availability of statistics on textiles and clothing. A list of questions was established by the secretariat and circulated to the members of the Textiles Committee as document COM.TEX/W/10 of 19 June.

The replies to the questionnaire received so far are summarized on the attached table. Proposals for additional statistics or specifications concerning the available data are listed in the notes attached thereto. Full text of the replies is available for consultation in the secretariat.

Several delegations in replying to the questionnaire stated their readiness to supply the statistics in such detail as would be agreed by the Sub-group on the understanding that other members of the Textiles Committee would also be reporting fully the data required.

SYMBOLS

\* : See country notes  
X : Statistics available  
- : Statistics not available  
misc. : No consistent measurement  
+ : Quantities reported in both units indicated  
) : Quantities reported in one or other of the units indicated

Units of measurement used in reporting trade or production

L : Length (metres, yards, etc.)  
P : Pieces (Nos., pairs, dozens, etc.)  
S : Surface (sq. metres, sq. yards, etc.)  
W : Weight (kgs., tons, lbs., etc.)

Frequency of reporting:

a : Reported annually.  
h : " half-yearly  
q : " quarterly  
m : " monthly

Reporting lag:

m : months  
w : weeks

REPLIES TO QUESTIONNAIRE CONCERNING STATISTICS AVAILABLE ON  
TEXTILES AND CLOTHING

	CANADA	AUSTRIA	FINLAND	HONG KONG	SWEDEN	SWITZERLAND
<u>Foreign trade statistics</u>						
1. Classification used	SITC/1	SITC/1	SITC/1	SITC/1	SITC/1	SITC/1
2. SITC/2 applicable	5-dig.	4-dig.*	5-dig.	5-dig.	5-dig.*	5-dig.*
	1.1.76	1.1.75	1.1.76/77	1.1.75	1.1.76	1.1.75*
3. Historical series	5-dig.	-	5-dig.	5-dig.	5-dig.	5-dig.
	*	-	-	1964- 4-dig.	*	1972- 4-5 dig.
Quantities reported in						
4. - yarns	W	W	W	W	W	W
5. - fabrics	W	W	W + S*	S)W*	W + L	W
6. - made-ups	misc.	W*	(W + P)S*	P	W	W
7. - other textiles	misc.	W*	(W + P)S*	S)W)P	W	W
8. - clothing	P	W*	W + P	P	W + P	W
<u>Production statistics</u>						
9. Man-made staple & filament tow	(W/a	-	W/a	W/q	W/a + q	W/m
10. " fibres, carded etc.	-	-	W/a	W/q	W/a + q	W/m
11. " " monofil, etc.	-	-	W/a	W/q	W/a + q	W/m
12. Yarn, wool, carded	-	W/m	W/a	W/q	W/a + q	W/m
13. Yarn, wool, combed	-	W/m	W/a	W/q	W/a + q	W/m
14. Yarn, cotton	-	W/m	W/a	W/q	W/a + q	W/m
15. Yarn, MMF	-	W/m	W/a	W/q	W/a + q	W/m
16. Woven pile fabrics etc.	S+W/a*	W + L/m	W + S/a	S/q	-	-
17. Woven fabrics, MMF continuous	-	W+L/m	W + S/a	S/q	W+L/a+q	L/h + m
18. Woven fabrics, wool, worsted	S + W/a	W + L/m	(W + S/a	S/q	W+L/a+q	L + W/h
19. " " woollen	S + W/a	W + L/m	(W + S/a	S/q	W+L/a+q	L + W/h
20. " " cotton, terry	(S+W/a	W+L+S/m	W + S/a	S/q	W+L/a+q	-
21. " " other	(S+W/a	W+L+S/m	W + S/a	S/q	W+L/a+q	L/h
22. " " MMF staple	-	W + L/m	W + S/a	S/q	W+L/a+q	L/h
23. Carpets, woven (ex jute etc.)	S/a	W + S/m	W)S/a	S/q	W+S/a+q*	W + S/h
24. Knitted fabrics	S + W/a	W/m	W/a	W/a	W+L/a+q*	W/a + L/h
25. Women's stockings, MMF	P/a	W + P/m	P/a	P/a	W+P/a+q	P/q
26. Panty hose etc.	P/a	W + P/m	P/a*	P/a	W+P/a+q	P/q
27. Other stockings & socks	P/a	W + P/m	P/a	P/a	W+P/a+q	P/q
28. Pyjamas & nightdresses	P/a	P/m	P/a	P/a	P/a + q	P/a
29. Undergarments, knitted	P/a	W + P/m	(P/a	P/a	P/a + q	P/a
30. " " other	P/a	P/m	(P/a	P/a	P/a + q	P/a
31. Shirts, knitted	(P/a	P/m	P/a	P/a	P/a + q	-
32. " other	(P/a	P/m	P/a	P/a	P/a + q	P/a
33. Blouses, knitted	P/a	P/m	P/a	P/a	P/a + q	-
34. " other	P/a	P/m	P/a	P/a	P/a + q	-
35. Jerseys, pull-overs etc.	-	W + P/m	P/a	P/a	P/a + q	P/a
36. Coats for women, etc.	P/a	P/m	P/a	P/a	P/a + q	P/a
37. Dresses, suits for women, etc.	P/a	P/m	P/a	P/a	P/a + q	P/a
38. Skirts for women, etc.	P/a	P/m	P/a	P/a	P/a + q	P/a
39. Trousers for women, etc.	P/a	P/m	P/a	P/a	P/a + q	P/a
40. Overcoats for men, etc.	P/a	P/m	P/a	P/a	P/a + q	P/q
41. Suits for men, etc.	P/a	P/m	P/a	P/a	P/a + q	P/q
42. Jackets for men and boys	P/a	P/m	P/a	P/a	P/a + q	P/q
43. Trousers for men and boys	P/a	P/m	P/a	P/a	P/a + q	P/q
44. Cover-overalls (boiler suits)	P/a	P/m	P/a	P/a	P/a + q	P/a
45. Coverage: Total output	-	X	X	X	X	X
46. Manufacturers' sales	X	-	-	-	-	-
<u>Processing &amp; Publication lag</u>						
47. Annual data	20 m	5 m	20-21 m	6 m	18 m	6 m
48. Quarterly data	-	2 m	-	4 m	3 m	3 m
49. Fibre consumption	X/a	X/a	X/a	X	X	-
<u>Other statistics</u>						
Value added - manufacture of:						
50. textiles	X	(X	X	X	X	-
51. apparel	X	(X	X	X	X	-
52. Capital exp. - plant	X	X	X	X	X	partly
53. - machinery	X	X	X	X	X	partly
54. Employment - total	X/a	X	X	X	X	X/a + a
55. - prodn. workers	X/a	-	X	X	X	X/a + a
56. - avrg. hrs. worked	X/a	X	X	-	X	X/a + a
<u>Processing &amp; Publication lag</u>						
57. - value added	12-22 m	18 m	10-11 m	6 m	3)21 m	-
58. - employment	20 m	2 m	10-11 m	2 m	6 w	2-6 m

REPLIES TO QUESTIONNAIRES CONCERNING STATISTICS AVAILABLE ON  
TEXTILES AND CLOTHING

	TURKEY	SPAIN	EL SALVADOR	JAMAICA	UNITED STATES	KOREA
<u>Foreign trade statistics</u>						
1. Classification used	SITC/1	SITC/1	SITC/2	SITC/1	SITC*	SITC/2
2. SITC/2 applicable	5-dig. 1.1.76	4-5-dig. 1.1.76	5-dig. 1.1.75	5-dig. 1.1.76	*	4-dig.*
3. Historical series	5-dig. *	4-5-dig. 1970- 4-5-dig.	5-dig. 1973- 5-dig.*	5-dig. *	- *	- 3 years 4-dig.
<u>Quantities reported in</u>						
4. - yarns	W	W	W	W	W	W
5. - fabrics	W(+ L*)	W + S	W + S	W	S)W	S
6. - made-ups	W	W + P	W + (r)	W	W	P
7. - other textiles	W(+ S*)	W + P	W	W	W	W + P
8. - clothing	W	W + P	W + (r)	W)P	W)P	P
<u>Production statistics</u>						
9. Man-made staple & filament tow	W/q + a	(W/m + a	W/m	W/a	W/q	W/q
10. " fibres, carded etc.	W/q + a	W/m + a	W/m	W/a	W/q	W/q
11. " " monofil, etc.	W/q + a	W/m + a	W/m	W/a	W/q	W/q
12. Yarn, wool, carded	W/q + a	W/m + a	W/m	W/a	W/q	W/q
13. Yarn, wool, combed	W/q + a	W/m + a	W/m	W/a	W/q	W/q
14. Yarn, cotton	W/q + a	W/m + a	W/m	W/a	W/q	W/q
15. Yarn, MMF	W/q + a	W/m + a	W/m	W/a	W/q	W/q
16. Woven pile fabrics etc.	W)L/S/q+a	-	W + S/m	-	L/q	S/q
17. Woven fabrics, MMF continuous	W)L/S/q+a	W/m + a	W + S/m	W/a	L/q	S/q
18. Woven fabrics, wool, worsted	W)L/S/q+a	W/m + a	(W + S/m	W/a	L/q	S/q
19. " " woollen	W)L/S/q+a	W/m + a	W + S/m	W/a	L/q	S/q
20. " " cotton, terry	W)L/S/q+a	W/m + a	W + S/m	W/a	L/q	S/q
21. " " other	W)L/S/q+a	W/m + a	W + S/m	W/a	L/q	S/q
22. " " MMF staple	W)L/S/q+a	W/m + a	W + S/m	W/a	L/q	S/q
23. Carpets, woven (ex jute etc.)	S/q + a	-	W + S/m	W/a	L/q	S/q
24. Knitted fabrics	W)L/S/q+a	-	W/m	W/a	W/q	L/q
25. Women's stockings, MMF	(P/q + a	-	P/m	P/a	P/a	P/q
26. Panty hose etc.	(P/q + a	P/a	P/m	P/a	P/a	P/q
27. Other stockings & socks	P/q + a	P/a	P/m	P/a	P/a	P/q
28. Pyjamas & nightdresses	(P/q + a	P/a	P/q	P/a	P/a	P/q
29. Undergarments, knitted	(P/q + a	P/a	(P/q	P/a	P/a	P/q
30. " " other	(P/q + a	P/a	(P/q	P/a	P/a	P/q
31. Shirts, knitted	P/q + a	(P/a	P/q	P/a	(P/a	P/q
32. " " other	P/q + a	(P/a	P/q	P/a	(P/a	P/q
33. Blouses, knitted	P/q + a	(P/a	P/q	P/a	(P/a	P/q
34. " " other	P/q + a	(P/a	P/q	P/a	(P/a	P/q
35. Jerseys, pull-overs etc.	P/q + a	P/a	P/q	P/a	P/a	P/q
36. Coats for women, etc.	P/q + a	P/a	P/q	P/a	P/a	P/q
37. Dresses, suits for women, etc.	P/q + a	P/a	P/q	P/a	P/a	P/q
38. Skirts for women, etc.	P/q + a	P/a	P/q	P/a	P/a	P/q
39. Trousers for women, etc.	P/q + a	P/a	P/q	P/a	P/a	P/q
40. Overcoats for men, etc.	P/q + a	P/a	P/q	P/a	P/a	P/q
41. Suits for men, etc.	P/q + a	P/a	P/q	P/a	P/a	P/q
42. Jackets for men and boys	P/q + a	P/a	P/q	P/a	P/a	P/q
43. Trousers for men and boys	P/q + a	P/a	P/q	P/a	P/a	P/q
44. Cover-overalls (boiler suits)	-	-	P/q	P/a	P/a	P/q
45. Coverage: Total output	X	X	X	X	X	X
46. Manufacturers' sales	X	-	-	-	-	X
<u>Processing &amp; Publication lag</u>						
47. Annual data	12 m	9 m	6 m	12 m	8-12 m	9 m
48. Quarterly data	4 m	2 m	6 m	-	3-4 m	3 m
49. Fibre consumption	-	X	partly	X/a	X	X/q
<u>Other statistics</u>						
<u>Value added - manufacture of:</u>						
50. textiles	X	X	X	X	X	X
51. apparel	X	X	X	X	X	X
52. Capital exp. - plant	X	X	X	X	X	-
53. - machinery	X	X	X	X	X	-
54. Employment - total	X/q + a	X/m + a	X/a	X/a	X/m	X/a
55. - prodn. workers	X/q + a	X/m + a	X/a	X/a	X/m	-
56. - avrg. hrs. worked	X/q + a	X/m + a	X/a	X/a	X/m	X/a
<u>Processing &amp; Publication lag</u>						
57. - value added	12 m	9 m	24 m	12 m	12-15 m	12 m
58. - employment	4 m	3-9 m	24 m	12 m	1 m	12 m

NOTES

CANADA

Line 3: SITC/Rev.2 not formalized; important sub-groups could be reported at 5-digit SITC/Rev.1 level.

Line 16: Man-made fibres only.

General Note: Canada is regularly reporting statistics on textiles to the OECD. It is a very comprehensive report by production activity, and it is unlikely that Canada can respond in much greater detail than already set out in the OECD response. From Canada's viewpoint, the OECD questionnaire in itself may be quite adequate to monitor product lines in Textiles and Clothing.

AUSTRIA

Line 1: A distinction by fibres can be made for knitted fabrics, blankets, blouses, shirts and underwear.

Line 7: Carpets and needle filled floor coverings are also reported in surface.

Line 8: Panty hose, shirts, stockings and gloves are also reported in pieces.

FINLAND

Lines 5, 6 and 7: Reporting in surface units as from beginning of 1975; hat bodics and headgears in pieces only.

Line 26: Without denier division.

General Note: Other textiles to be considered:

1. Shorts, sports slacks, swimming trunks and other gymnastic and training garments (BTN ex 60.05, ex 61.01/02).
2. Production according to the same classification - e.g. SITC/Rev.1, 5-digit - as imports and exports. This setting would show what a country produces, imports and exports.

Other relevant statistics: Monthly volume index of production in some branches of industry - e.g. ISIC 321 (manufacture of textiles) and ISIC 322 (manufacture of wearing apparel). These monthly indexes - by comparison with the same months of last year - show the recent development of industrial activity by branches of industry.

HONG KONG

Line 5: Knitted fabrics are reported in weight.

General Note: It would be useful to adopt a final breakdown of trade statistics along the lines of production statistics.

SWEDEN

Line 2: A large part, but not all, of the trade data would be available according to SITC/Rev.2 as from January 1975.

Line 3: Depending on whether specifications at SITC/Rev.2 level existed in the Swedish trade statistics. Figures can be supplied for a couple of earlier years before the new revised nomenclature has been agreed upon and implemented in our statistics.

Line 24: Production for sale only.

SWITZERLAND

Line 2: Application as from 1 January 1975 is under consideration.

General Note: For a number of apparel items the available production data are incomplete. Estimates for value added by spinning and weaving of man-made fibres and of wool could be supplied.

TURKEY

Line 3: Concordance key will be supplied with respect to earlier years.

Line 5: Length units for cotton fabrics only.

Line 7: Surface units for carpets only

SPAIN

Lines 1 and 2: Twenty per cent at 4-digit level, 80 per cent at 5-digit level of SITC.

Lines 54-56: Employment in the apparel industry is available on an annual basis only.

General Note: The indications given in the reply represent the maximum. It is possible that, because of technical difficulties, some of the statistics indicated could not be supplied. The information will be reported to the secretariat on the understanding that other countries participating in the arrangement would also report such data.

EEC

Line 3: Figures at 5-digit level of SITC/Rev.2 would, in general, be available except for BTN headings 53.11 (wool fabrics); 60.04 (panty hose of wool); 60.05 (shirts and women's dresses), under the condition, however, that the recommendation concerning this classification is adopted as expected. If this is not the case, the statistics would be based on SITC/Rev.1, with, as far as possible, an additional breakdown by fibre along the lines of SITC/Rev.2.

Line 5: A large part of data on fabrics would also be reported in surface as from 1976.

Line 7: Carpets could also be reported in surface units.

Line 10: Only tops of synthetic and artificial fibres should be included here. If this is agreed, wool tops should also be included in the list.

Line 11: Definition in accordance with Article 12 paragraph 2 of the Textiles Agreement.

Line 17: Excluding tyre fabrics.

General Note: The reply is based on the statistics as they are expected to be available from 1975.

Additional statistics: Production statistics for the textile industry and for the clothing industry.

NORWAY

Line 3: Not yet considered. Important SITC sub-groups could be reported.

UNITED STATES

Line 1: Modified 3-digit basis, including a breakdown by fibre.

Line 3: By sub-groups (yarn, fabric, apparel, other) and by fibre (cotton, wool and man-made fibres).

KOREA

Line 1: A distinction by fibre can be made for trade under bilateral agreements. For trade with other countries, distinction by fibre can be made only partly.

General Note: Other relevant statistics:

- (a) Total and per caput consumption annually;
- (b) Statistics on employment of all industries (total and by branches) annually;
- (c) Statistics on production, exports, imports and value added on textile machinery, annually.