



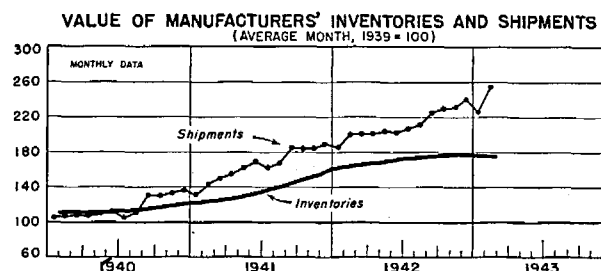
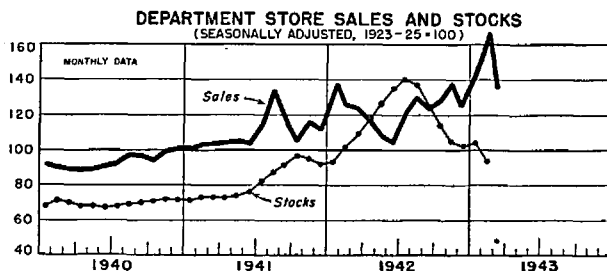
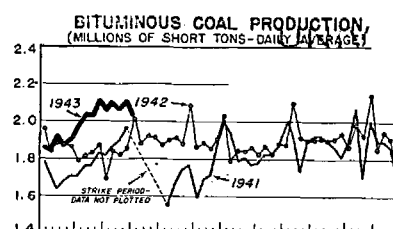
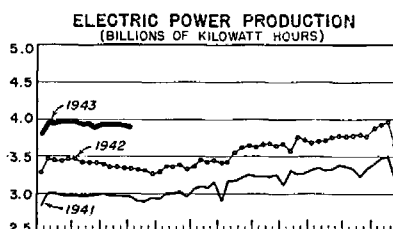
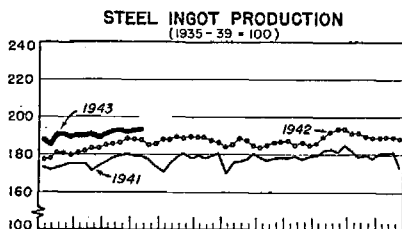
# SURVEY OF CURRENT BUSINESS WEEKLY SUPPLEMENT

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
BUREAU OF FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC COMMERCE



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## SELECTED BUSINESS INDICATORS



## WEEKLY BUSINESS STATISTICS\*

| ITEM                                            | 1943    |        |         | 1942    |        | ITEM                                                | 1943    |        |         | 1942    |        |
|-------------------------------------------------|---------|--------|---------|---------|--------|-----------------------------------------------------|---------|--------|---------|---------|--------|
|                                                 | Apr. 10 | Apr. 3 | Mar. 27 | Apr. 11 | Apr. 4 |                                                     | Apr. 10 | Apr. 3 | Mar. 27 | Apr. 11 | Apr. 4 |
| Commodity prices, wholesale:                    |         |        |         |         |        | Finance—Continued.                                  |         |        |         |         |        |
| All commodities..... 1926=100.....              |         | 103.4  | 103.3   | 98.1    | 97.9   | Federal Reserve reporting member banks:             |         |        |         |         |        |
| Farm products.....do.....                       |         | 124.7  | 124.2   | 104.6   | 104.2  | Deposits, demand, adjusted..... mil. of dol.        | 32,955  | 31,848 | 32,128  | 24,799  | 24,197 |
| Food.....do.....                                |         | 107.8  | 107.6   | 97.0    | 97.2   | Loans and investments, total.....do.....            | 41,640  | 41,391 | 42,004  | 30,883  | 30,494 |
| All other.....do.....                           |         | 96.7   | 96.6    | 85.6    | 85.6   | U. S. Govt. obligations.....do.....                 | 28,998  | 28,719 | 29,289  | 15,776  | 15,389 |
| 28 basic commodities..... August 1939=100.....  | 176.8   | 177.0  | 176.6   | 167.3   | 167.2  | Commercial, industrial, and agricul-                |         |        |         |         |        |
| Cotton, mid. 1/4¢, 10 mks. t. dol. per lb.      | 213     | 214    | 213     | 204     | 203    | tural loans..... mil. of dol.                       | 5,610   | 5,695  | 5,754   | 6,975   | 7,003  |
| Wheat, No. 2, hd. win. (K.C.)..... dol. per bu. |         | 1.39   | 1.39    | 1.16    | 1.18   | Failures, commercial..... number.....               | 92      | 89     | 94      | 215     | 243    |
| Department store sales..... 1935-39=100.....    |         | 149    | 143     | 120     | 160    | Bond yields (Moody's)..... percent.....             | 3.18    | 3.10   | 3.20    | 3.35    | 3.34   |
| Finance:                                        |         |        |         |         |        | Stock prices (Stan. & Poor)..... 1935-39=100.....   | 92.8    | 91.9   | 87.8    | 65.3    | 64.4   |
| Bank debits, member banks in 101 cities:†       |         |        |         |         |        | Production:                                         |         |        |         |         |        |
| Total..... mil. of dol.                         | 11,553  | 12,550 | 11,767  | 7,962   | 10,201 | Bituminous coal..... thous. of short tons.....      |         | 2,027  | 2,108   | 1,852   | 2,011  |
| New York City.....do.....                       | 5,035   | 4,924  | 4,808   | 3,052   | 3,935  | Electric power..... mil. of kw-hr.....              |         | 3,890  | 3,928   | 3,321   | 3,349  |
| Currency in circulation.....do.....             | 16,359  | 16,275 | 16,083  | 11,616  | 11,610 | Petroleum..... thous. of bbl.....                   |         | 3,918  | 3,896   | 3,543   | 3,418  |
| Federal Reserve bank credit, total.....do.....  | 6,848   | 6,191  | 6,280   | 2,384   | 2,339  | Steel..... 1935-39=100.....                         | 193.2   | 193.0  | 192.2   | 187.6   | 188.0  |
| Member bank reserve balances.....do.....        | 13,110  | 12,759 | 13,084  | 12,715  | 12,496 | Freight carloadings, total..... thous. of cars..... |         | 772    | 787     | 814     | 829    |
| Excess reserves, estimated.....do.....          | 1,976   | 1,518  | 1,632   | 3,169   | 2,999  | Miscellaneous.....do.....                           |         | 383    | 374     | 365     | 377    |

\* Data do not cover calendar weeks in all cases. † Preliminary. ‡ Thursday prices. § Daily average. ¶ Index for week ended Apr. 17, 1917.  
† Debits to demand deposit accounts, except interbank and U. S. Government accounts, in 101 cities. ‡ Direct and guaranteed. ¶ 402 stocks.

## MONTHLY BUSINESS STATISTICS

| Earlier data are available in monthly issues of the Survey and the 1942 Supplement | 1943    | 1942    | 1943    |          | Earlier data are available in monthly issues of the Survey and the 1942 Supplement | 1943  | 1942  | 1943    |          |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|----------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|---------|----------|
|                                                                                    | March   | March   | January | February |                                                                                    | March | March | January | February |
| COMMODITY PRICES                                                                   |         |         |         |          |                                                                                    |       |       |         |          |
| Cost of living (N. I. C. B.):                                                      |         |         |         |          |                                                                                    |       |       |         |          |
| Combined index..... 1923=100.....                                                  | 102.8   | 96.1    | 101.4   | 101.8    |                                                                                    |       |       |         |          |
| Clothing.....do.....                                                               | 88.6    | 85.8    | 88.6    | 88.6     |                                                                                    |       |       |         |          |
| Food.....do.....                                                                   | 112.9   | 97.5    | 109.1   | 110.2    |                                                                                    |       |       |         |          |
| Fuel and light.....do.....                                                         | 92.6    | 90.4    | 91.7    | 92.2     |                                                                                    |       |       |         |          |
| Housing.....do.....                                                                | 90.8    | 90.7    | 90.8    | 90.8     |                                                                                    |       |       |         |          |
| Sundries.....do.....                                                               | 106.8   | 103.5   | 106.6   | 106.7    |                                                                                    |       |       |         |          |
| CONSTRUCTION AND REAL ESTATE                                                       |         |         |         |          |                                                                                    |       |       |         |          |
| Engineering construction:                                                          |         |         |         |          |                                                                                    |       |       |         |          |
| Contract awards (E. N. R.)\$.....thous. of dol.                                    | 305,973 | 729,485 | 226,826 | 306,242  |                                                                                    |       |       |         |          |
| Construction cost indexes:                                                         |         |         |         |          |                                                                                    |       |       |         |          |
| American Appraisal Co.:                                                            |         |         |         |          |                                                                                    |       |       |         |          |
| Average, 30 cities.....1913=100.....                                               | 240     | 237     | 249     | 249      |                                                                                    |       |       |         |          |
| Atlanta.....do.....                                                                | 254     | 232     | 253     | 253      |                                                                                    |       |       |         |          |
| New York.....do.....                                                               | 251     | 247     | 251     | 251      |                                                                                    |       |       |         |          |
| San Francisco.....do.....                                                          | 232     | 221     | 230     | 230      |                                                                                    |       |       |         |          |
| St. Louis.....do.....                                                              | 242     | 236     | 242     | 242      |                                                                                    |       |       |         |          |
| Associated General Contractors.....do.....                                         | 214.1   | 206.5   | 213.7   | 214.1    |                                                                                    |       |       |         |          |
| Engineering News Record (all types).....do.....                                    | 288.8   | 271.8   | 283.5   | 285.2    |                                                                                    |       |       |         |          |
| DOMESTIC TRADE                                                                     |         |         |         |          |                                                                                    |       |       |         |          |
| Department stores:                                                                 |         |         |         |          |                                                                                    |       |       |         |          |
| Sales, total U. S., unadjusted..... 1923-25=100.....                               | 120     | 118     | 111     | 132      |                                                                                    |       |       |         |          |
| Atlanta.....do.....                                                                | 159     | 151     | 151     | 190      |                                                                                    |       |       |         |          |
| Boston.....do.....                                                                 | 100     | 94      | 89      | 90       |                                                                                    |       |       |         |          |
| Chicago.....do.....                                                                | 135     | 136     | 123     | 148      |                                                                                    |       |       |         |          |
| Cleveland.....do.....                                                              | 140     | 147     | 132     | 155      |                                                                                    |       |       |         |          |
| Dallas.....do.....                                                                 | 159     | 129     | 155     | 205      |                                                                                    |       |       |         |          |
| Kansas City.....do.....                                                            | 138     | 110     | 126     | 134      |                                                                                    |       |       |         |          |
| Minneapolis.....do.....                                                            | 134     | 125     | 114     | 132      |                                                                                    |       |       |         |          |
| New York.....do.....                                                               | 104     | 106     | 97      | 112      |                                                                                    |       |       |         |          |
| Philadelphia.....do.....                                                           | 133     | 140     | 112     | 137      |                                                                                    |       |       |         |          |
| Richmond.....do.....                                                               | 156     | 161     | 134     | 162      |                                                                                    |       |       |         |          |
| St. Louis.....do.....                                                              | 124     | 125     | 117     | 143      |                                                                                    |       |       |         |          |
| San Francisco.....do.....                                                          | 169     | 148     | 150     | 184      |                                                                                    |       |       |         |          |
| Sales, total U. S., adjusted..... 1923-25=100.....                                 | 135     | 124     | 143     | 167      |                                                                                    |       |       |         |          |
| Atlanta.....do.....                                                                | 158     | 150     | 195     | 216      |                                                                                    |       |       |         |          |
| Chicago.....do.....                                                                | 139     | 141     | 155     | 176      |                                                                                    |       |       |         |          |
| Cleveland.....do.....                                                              | 153     | 161     | 179     | 191      |                                                                                    |       |       |         |          |
| Dallas.....do.....                                                                 | 164     | 133     | 204     | 241      |                                                                                    |       |       |         |          |
| Minneapolis.....do.....                                                            | 133     | 124     | 143     | 188      |                                                                                    |       |       |         |          |
| New York.....do.....                                                               | 118     | 120     | 123     | 138      |                                                                                    |       |       |         |          |
| Philadelphia.....do.....                                                           | 142     | 149     | 157     | 185      |                                                                                    |       |       |         |          |
| Richmond.....do.....                                                               | 160     | 165     | 197     | 236      |                                                                                    |       |       |         |          |
| St. Louis.....do.....                                                              | 129     | 130     | 146     | 166      |                                                                                    |       |       |         |          |
| San Francisco.....do.....                                                          | 184     | 161     | 195     | 238      |                                                                                    |       |       |         |          |

† Preliminary.  
‡ Revised series. See note on corresponding item in the March 1943 SURVEY.

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|                                                                                    | March  | March  | January | February |                                                                                    | February | February | December | January |
| <b>DOMESTIC TRADE—Continued</b>                                                    |        |        |         |          | <b>BUSINESS INDEXES—Continued</b>                                                  |          |          |          |         |
| Mail-order and store sales:                                                        |        |        |         |          | Manufactures' orders, etc.—Continued.                                              |          |          |          |         |
| Montgomery Ward & Co. ....thous. of dol.                                           | 52,192 | 55,856 | 39,983  | 41,443   | Shipments, total—Continued.                                                        |          |          |          |         |
| Sears, Roebuck & Co. ....do.                                                       | 66,340 | 76,038 | 56,699  | 57,857   | Nondurable goods, average month 1939=100.                                          | 193      | 173      | 178      | 189     |
| <b>FINANCE</b>                                                                     |        |        |         |          | Chemicals and allied products.....do.                                              | 209      | 181      | 185      | 193     |
| Bank debits, total (141 centers).....mil. of dol.                                  | 57,100 | 44,820 | 50,140  | 47,640   | Food and kindred products.....do.                                                  | 202      | 171      | 184      | 178     |
| New York City.....do.                                                              | 22,373 | 17,056 | 19,877  | 19,635   | Paper and allied products.....do.                                                  | 153      | 173      | 144      | 138     |
| Outside New York City.....do.                                                      | 34,727 | 27,764 | 30,263  | 28,005   | Petroleum refining.....do.                                                         | 140      | 133      | 139      | 135     |
| <b>TRANSPORTATION</b>                                                              |        |        |         |          | Rubber products.....do.                                                            | (*)      | 144      | 222      | 241     |
| Class I steam railways:                                                            |        |        |         |          | Textile-mill products.....do.                                                      | 214      | 204      | 204      | 191     |
| Freight carloadings (Federal Reserve indexes):                                     |        |        |         |          | Other nondurable goods.....do.                                                     | 176      | 172      | 166      | 140     |
| Combined index, unadjusted, 1935-39=100.                                           | 130    | 129    | 124     | 130      | Inventories, total.....do.                                                         | 175.7    | 163.0    | 177.6    | 177.8   |
| Coal.....do.                                                                       | 144    | 125    | 135     | 145      | Durable goods.....do.                                                              | 210.3    | 180.8    | 210.1    | 211.3   |
| Coke.....do.                                                                       | 189    | 175    | 193     | 189      | Automobiles and equipment.....do.                                                  | 237.8    | 190.0    | 232.9    | 233.8   |
| Forest products.....do.                                                            | 133    | 149    | 117     | 129      | Iron and steel and their products.....do.                                          | 132.7    | 125.5    | 139.2    | 135.2   |
| Grains and grain products.....do.                                                  | 131    | 102    | 138     | 142      | Electrical machinery.....do.                                                       | 332.2    | 250.3    | 324.1    | 327.0   |
| Livestock.....do.                                                                  | 92     | 77     | 98      | 90       | Other machinery.....do.                                                            | 224.7    | 191.4    | 219.6    | 221.9   |
| Merchandise, l. c. l.....do.                                                       | 62     | 92     | 55      | 58       | Trans. equip. (exc. automobiles).....do.                                           | 1,052.0  | 709.1    | 1,020.8  | 1,062.7 |
| Ore.....do.                                                                        | 56     | 73     | 50      | 48       | Nonferrous metals and their products*                                              |          |          |          |         |
| Miscellaneous.....do.                                                              | 138    | 139    | 132     | 137      | Other durable goods.....do.                                                        | 150.8    | 148.7    | 151.9    | 157.3   |
| Combined index, adjusted.....do.                                                   | 136    | 136    | 135     | 141      | Nondurable goods.....do.                                                           | 117.5    | 135.9    | 122.2    | 119.7   |
| Coal.....do.                                                                       | 140    | 122    | 119     | 127      | Chemicals and allied products.....do.                                              | 145.5    | 147.4    | 149.2    | 148.6   |
| Coke.....do.                                                                       | 182    | 168    | 161     | 154      | Food and kindred products.....do.                                                  | 155.0    | 150.0    | 158.7    | 155.4   |
| Forest products.....do.                                                            | 133    | 149    | 130     | 135      | Paper and allied products.....do.                                                  | 146.7    | 158.0    | 156.2    | 152.5   |
| Grains and grain products.....do.                                                  | 152    | 119    | 157     | 170      | Petroleum refining.....do.                                                         | 140.3    | 137.8    | 144.0    | 141.4   |
| Livestock.....do.                                                                  | 117    | 97     | 102     | 113      | Rubber products.....do.                                                            | 108.5    | 115.5    | 106.8    | 107.0   |
| Merchandise, l. c. l.....do.                                                       | 61     | 92     | 57      | 61       | Textile-mill products.....do.                                                      | (*)      | 149.6    | 174.6    | 172.3   |
| Ore.....do.                                                                        | 216    | 282    | 202     | 193      | Other nondurable goods.....do.                                                     | 142.2    | 154.1    | 147.2    | 147.0   |
| Miscellaneous.....do.                                                              | 141    | 143    | 149     | 153      |                                                                                    | 158.0    | 147.3    | 157.4    | 161.8   |
| <b>FOODSTUFFS</b>                                                                  |        |        |         |          | <b>FINANCE</b>                                                                     |          |          |          |         |
| Grain receipts, principal markets:                                                 |        |        |         |          | Security markets:                                                                  |          |          |          |         |
| Corn.....thous. of bu.                                                             | 30,568 | 24,098 | 35,929  | 37,303   | Stocks:                                                                            |          |          |          |         |
| Oats.....do.                                                                       | 8,568  | 5,253  | 6,353   | 7,894    | Dividend payments, by industry groups:*                                            |          |          |          |         |
| Wheat.....do.                                                                      | 47,528 | 17,457 | 35,398  | 30,106   | Total dividend payments.....mil. of dol.                                           | 136.8    | 161.6    | 650.0    | 286.4   |
| <b>PETROLEUM AND COAL PRODUCTS</b>                                                 |        |        |         |          | Manufacturing.....do.                                                              | 59.5     | 64.9     | 360.2    | 89.7    |
| Coal production:                                                                   |        |        |         |          | Mining.....do.                                                                     | 7        | 3.1      | 53.4     | 1.4     |
| Anthracite.....thous. of short tons.                                               | 5,822  | 5,085  | 4,314   | 5,092    | Trade.....do.                                                                      | 5.9      | 8.7      | 43.9     | 15.3    |
| Bituminous.....do.                                                                 | 56,450 | 47,796 | 47,029  | 48,920   | Finance.....do.                                                                    | 28.1     | 30.3     | 45.9     | 63.3    |
| <b>LEATHER AND PRODUCTS</b>                                                        |        |        |         |          | Railroads.....do.                                                                  | 4.7      | 7.7      | 66.1     | 34.3    |
| Hides and skins:                                                                   |        |        |         |          | Heat, light, and power.....do.                                                     | 36.0     | 31.2     | 42.0     | 33.2    |
| Livestock slaughter (Federally inspected):                                         |        |        |         |          | Communications.....do.                                                             | 1        | 2.1      | 12.6     | 46.7    |
| Calves.....thous. of animals                                                       | 410    | 491    | 340     | 331      | Miscellaneous.....do.                                                              | 1.8      | 3.6      | 25.9     | 2.5     |
| Cattle.....do.                                                                     | 923    | 929    | 928     | 854      | <b>CHEMICALS AND ALLIED PRODUCTS</b>                                               |          |          |          |         |
| Hogs.....do.                                                                       | 4,661  | 4,134  | 5,431   | 4,335    | Paint sales:                                                                       |          |          |          |         |
| Sheep and lambs.....do.                                                            | 1,495  | 1,669  | 1,724   | 1,499    | Calcimines, plastic and cold-water paints:                                         |          |          |          |         |
| <b>METALS AND MANUFACTURES</b>                                                     |        |        |         |          | Calcimines.....thous. of dol.                                                      | 104      | 172      | 104      | 114     |
| Steel ingots and steel for castings:                                               |        |        |         |          | Plastic paints.....do.                                                             | 34       | 36       | 33       | 45      |
| Production.....thous. of short tons.                                               | 7,670  | 7,392  | 7,424   | 6,826    | Cold-water paints:                                                                 |          |          |          |         |
| Percent of capacity.....                                                           | 100    | 98     | 97      | 99       | In dry form.....do.                                                                | 169      | 196      | 153      | 154     |
| <b>TEXTILE PRODUCTS</b>                                                            |        |        |         |          | In paste form, for interior use.....do.                                            | 443      | 323      | 394      | 390     |
| Rayon:                                                                             |        |        |         |          | Paint, varnish, lacquer, and fillers:                                              |          |          |          |         |
| Consumption:                                                                       |        |        |         |          | Total.....do.                                                                      | 38,392   | 45,176   | 37,141   | 37,843  |
| Yarn.....mil. of lb.                                                               | 42.7   | 40.0   | 37.9    | 39.0     | Classified, total.....do.                                                          | 34,530   | 39,745   | 33,518   | 33,677  |
| Staple fiber.....do.                                                               | 13.9   | 12.6   | 12.7    | 12.6     | Industrial.....do.                                                                 | 16,726   | 17,619   | 16,905   | 16,221  |
| Stocks, producers', end of month:                                                  |        |        |         |          | Trade.....do.                                                                      | 17,804   | 22,126   | 16,612   | 17,456  |
| Yarn.....do.                                                                       | 6.8    | 4.1    | 8.9     | 7.1      | Unclassified.....do.                                                               | 3,862    | 5,431    | 3,623    | 4,166   |
| Staple fiber.....do.                                                               | 2.8    | 2.3    | 3.0     | 2.5      | <b>FOREIGN TRADE</b>                                                               |          |          |          |         |
| <b>TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT</b>                                                    |        |        |         |          | Exports, total incl. reexports.....thous. of dol.                                  | 678,850  | 478,355  | 853,226  | 698,245 |
| Railway equipment:                                                                 |        |        |         |          | Exports of U. S. merchandise.....do.                                               | 671,211  | 474,720  | 844,994  | 691,975 |
| American Railway Car Institute:                                                    |        |        |         |          | General imports.....do.                                                            | 234,293  | 253,546  | 356,280  | 228,388 |
| Shipments:                                                                         |        |        |         |          | Imports for consumption.....do.                                                    | 245,288  | 239,529  | 405,345  | 245,827 |
| Freight cars, total.....number.                                                    | 5,584  | 7,781  | 3,061   | 3,365    | <b>LEATHER AND PRODUCTS</b>                                                        |          |          |          |         |
| Domestic.....do.                                                                   | 1,460  | 7,781  | 1,447   | 1,321    | Production, boots, shoes, and slippers:                                            |          |          |          |         |
| Passenger cars, total.....do.                                                      | 0      | 28     | 0       | 3        | Total.....thous. of pairs                                                          | 37,583   | 40,390   | 38,501   | 37,504  |
| Domestic.....do.                                                                   | 0      | 28     | 0       | 3        | Athletic.....do.                                                                   | 327      | 454      | 453      | 341     |
|                                                                                    |        |        |         |          | All fabric (satin, canvas, etc.).....do.                                           | 1,144    | 560      | 317      | 899     |
|                                                                                    |        |        |         |          | Part fabric and part leather.....do.                                               | 700      | 1,363    | 1,093    | 801     |
|                                                                                    |        |        |         |          | High and low cut, leather, total.....do.                                           | 31,587   | 34,460   | 32,351   | 31,992  |
|                                                                                    |        |        |         |          | Government shoes.....do.                                                           | 3,960    | 2,351    | 3,831    | 3,913   |
|                                                                                    |        |        |         |          | Civilian shoes:                                                                    |          |          |          |         |
|                                                                                    |        |        |         |          | Boys' and youths'.....do.                                                          | 1,485    | 1,418    | 1,323    | 1,630   |
|                                                                                    |        |        |         |          | Infants'.....do.                                                                   | 2,019    | 2,030    | 2,101    | 2,095   |
|                                                                                    |        |        |         |          | Misses' and children's.....do.                                                     | 2,787    | 3,758    | 3,236    | 2,773   |
|                                                                                    |        |        |         |          | Men's.....do.                                                                      | 7,133    | 9,373    | 7,814    | 7,086   |
|                                                                                    |        |        |         |          | Women's.....do.                                                                    | 14,183   | 15,530   | 14,047   | 14,496  |
|                                                                                    |        |        |         |          | Slippers and moccasins for housewear.....do.                                       | 3,097    | 2,663    | 3,682    | 2,749   |
|                                                                                    |        |        |         |          | All other footwear.....do.                                                         | 748      | 890      | 695      | 722     |
|                                                                                    |        |        |         |          | <b>METALS AND MANUFACTURES</b>                                                     |          |          |          |         |
|                                                                                    |        |        |         |          | Castings, steel, commercial:                                                       |          |          |          |         |
|                                                                                    |        |        |         |          | Orders, new, total, net.....short tons.                                            | 191,214  | 179,880  | 172,263  | 206,737 |
|                                                                                    |        |        |         |          | Railway specialties.....do.                                                        | 17,649   | 54,409   | 15,446   | 23,008  |
|                                                                                    |        |        |         |          | Production, total.....do.                                                          | 144,586  | 133,726  | 143,860  | 149,368 |
|                                                                                    |        |        |         |          | Railway specialties.....do.                                                        | 12,823   | 45,013   | 10,785   | 11,428  |
|                                                                                    |        |        |         |          | <b>TEXTILE PRODUCTS</b>                                                            |          |          |          |         |
|                                                                                    |        |        |         |          | Wool:                                                                              |          |          |          |         |
|                                                                                    |        |        |         |          | Consumption (scoured basis): †                                                     |          |          |          |         |
|                                                                                    |        |        |         |          | Apparel class.....thous. of lb.                                                    | 49,120   | 40,972   | 45,504   | 56,160  |
|                                                                                    |        |        |         |          | Carpet class.....do.                                                               | 2,856    | 5,784    | 3,168    | 2,665   |
|                                                                                    |        |        |         |          | Machinery activity (weekly average): †                                             |          |          |          |         |
|                                                                                    |        |        |         |          | Looms:                                                                             |          |          |          |         |
|                                                                                    |        |        |         |          | Woolen and worsted:                                                                |          |          |          |         |
|                                                                                    |        |        |         |          | Broad.....thous. of active hours.                                                  | 2,805    | 2,618    | 2,711    | 2,676   |
|                                                                                    |        |        |         |          | Narrow.....do.                                                                     | 67       | 86       | 63       | 63      |
|                                                                                    |        |        |         |          | Carpet and rug:                                                                    |          |          |          |         |
|                                                                                    |        |        |         |          | Broad.....do.                                                                      | 65       | 115      | 64       | 63      |
|                                                                                    |        |        |         |          | Narrow.....do.                                                                     | 41       | 96       | 42       | 40      |
|                                                                                    |        |        |         |          | Spinning spindles:                                                                 |          |          |          |         |
|                                                                                    |        |        |         |          | Woolen.....do.                                                                     | 133,417  | 117,130  | 126,337  | 124,120 |
|                                                                                    |        |        |         |          | Worsted.....do.                                                                    | 119,099  | 101,015  | 114,958  | 112,927 |
|                                                                                    |        |        |         |          | Worsted combs.....do.                                                              | 217      | 231      | 205      | 20      |

† Revised. \* Preliminary.  
 † Figures overstated owing to inclusion of an unusually large volume of shipments actually exported and imported in earlier months.  
 \*New series. Data on nonferrous metals and their products were formerly in-

cluded in "other durable goods." Earlier data will be shown in a subsequent Survey. For dividend payments see note on corresponding item in the March 1943 Survey.

† Data for January are for 5 weeks; other months, 4 weeks.