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## SURVEY OF CURRENT BUSINESS

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Unless otherwise stated in footnotes below, data through 1972 and descriptive notes are as shown in the 1973 edition of BUSINESS STATISTICS	1972	1973	1973										1974			
	Annual	Annual	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.
			GENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORS—Continued													
MANUFACTURERS' SALES, INVENTORIES, AND ORDERS—Continued																
Inventories, end of year or month—Continued																
Book value (seasonally adjusted)—Continued																
By market category:																
Home goods and apparel.....mil. \$.	11,852	13,231	12,404	12,299	12,426	12,586	12,707	12,842	12,929	13,146	13,065	13,231	13,405	* 13,503	13,730	
Consumer staples.....do.	14,373	16,024	14,575	14,613	14,849	14,976	15,254	15,345	15,417	15,638	15,808	16,024	16,131	* 16,456	16,564	
Equip. and defense prod., excl. auto.....do.	27,251	31,140	27,931	28,237	28,338	28,680	28,912	29,464	29,820	30,302	30,582	31,140	31,572	* 32,238	32,731	
Automotive equipment.....do.	6,081	7,305	6,264	6,323	6,432	6,763	6,708	6,749	7,084	7,021	7,038	7,305	7,399	* 7,307	7,201	
Construction materials and supplies.....do.	8,931	10,220	9,062	9,044	9,235	9,378	9,446	9,590	9,760	9,764	10,019	10,220	10,287	* 10,441	10,679	
Other materials and supplies.....do.	39,231	42,950	39,938	40,061	40,345	40,652	40,883	40,917	41,104	41,353	41,923	42,950	43,776	* 44,886	45,163	
Supplementary series:																
Household durables.....do.	5,562	6,263	5,779	5,758	5,870	5,904	5,936	5,998	6,065	6,210	6,112	6,263	6,352	* 6,537	6,706	
Capital goods industries.....do.	30,771	35,103	31,677	31,931	32,101	32,490	32,740	33,351	33,691	34,200	34,541	35,103	35,553	* 36,205	36,731	
Nondefense.....do.	25,684	29,488	26,411	26,547	26,717	27,013	27,306	27,796	28,163	28,669	29,033	29,488	29,874	* 30,368	30,761	
Defense.....do.	5,087	5,615	5,266	5,384	5,384	5,477	5,434	5,555	5,528	5,531	5,508	5,615	5,679	* 5,837	5,970	
New orders, net (not seas. adj.), total.....do.	1762,170	1895,626	76,638	74,476	74,318	78,486	70,068	73,233	76,978	79,349	78,917	73,590	75,674	* 82,393	83,641	
Durable goods industries, total.....do.	418,400	502,768	43,926	42,241	42,341	44,914	39,411	39,737	42,703	44,517	43,845	40,009	41,292	* 45,071	45,111	
Nondurable goods industries, total.....do.	343,770	392,858	32,712	32,235	31,977	33,572	30,657	33,496	34,275	34,832	35,072	33,581	34,382	* 37,322	38,530	
New orders, net (seas. adj.), total.....do.	762,170	895,626	72,806	73,325	74,535	75,361	75,145	76,113	75,129	77,758	79,441	76,811	79,077	* 80,017	79,587	
By industry group:																
Durable goods industries, total ?.....do.	418,400	502,768	41,021	41,341	42,449	43,016	42,697	42,689	42,259	44,037	44,310	41,546	42,453	* 43,157	42,124	
Primary metals.....do.	60,143	78,642	6,500	6,656	7,042	7,015	6,658	7,150	6,325	6,868	6,730	6,597	6,956	* 6,624	6,979	
Blast furnaces, steel mills.....do.	29,813	39,913	3,459	3,604	3,729	3,817	3,493	3,912	3,068	3,309	3,109	3,014	2,037	* 2,863	3,123	
Nonferrous metals.....do.	21,670	27,436	2,146	2,147	2,316	2,232	2,219	2,296	2,338	2,516	2,582	2,557	2,899	* 2,729	2,746	
Fabricated metal products.....do.	48,075	57,881	4,556	4,488	4,861	4,672	5,008	4,903	4,982	5,135	4,997	5,237	5,144	* 5,410	5,129	
Machinery, except electrical.....do.	63,779	80,432	6,443	6,411	6,544	6,719	6,902	6,647	6,922	7,174	7,313	7,308	7,087	* 7,427	8,005	
Electrical machinery.....do.	57,171	67,473	5,727	5,710	5,696	5,682	5,676	5,701	5,537	5,816	5,788	5,399	6,269	* 6,180	5,636	
Transportation equipment.....do.	109,377	128,169	10,281	10,503	10,739	11,329	10,980	10,948	10,978	11,368	11,573	9,218	10,283	* 9,712	8,478	
Aircraft, missiles, and parts.....do.	29,615	78,811	2,674	2,678	3,068	3,269	2,698	2,867	3,063	3,156	2,893	2,307	3,180	* 3,207	2,519	
Nondurable goods industries, total.....do.	343,770	392,858	31,785	31,984	32,086	32,345	32,448	33,424	32,870	33,721	35,126	35,265	36,624	* 36,860	37,463	
Industries with unfilled orders <sup>⊕</sup> .....do.	89,291	99,484	8,081	8,301	8,417	8,186	8,242	8,370	8,260	8,465	8,687	8,601	9,033	* 8,902	8,942	
Industries without unfilled orders <sup>†</sup> .....do.	254,479	293,374	23,704	23,683	23,669	24,159	24,206	25,054	24,610	25,256	26,439	26,664	27,591	* 27,958	28,521	
By market category:																
Home goods and apparel.....do.	* 71,896	* 80,983	6,707	6,858	6,695	6,778	6,642	6,491	6,732	6,948	7,274	6,858	7,135	* 7,062	7,435	
Consumer staples.....do.	* 146,254	* 166,960	13,553	13,365	13,561	13,738	13,846	14,480	13,926	14,488	14,611	14,749	15,283	* 15,159	15,283	
Equip. and defense prod., excl. auto.....do.	* 108,318	* 131,581	10,724	10,903	11,097	11,520	10,753	10,939	11,107	11,203	12,253	11,221	12,224	* 11,968	11,557	
Automotive equipment.....do.	* 280,395	* 93,479	7,577	7,523	7,746	7,708	8,322	8,060	8,105	8,307	8,018	6,887	6,882	* 6,429	6,237	
Construction materials and supplies.....do.	* 264,323	* 76,200	6,190	6,017	6,423	6,240	6,406	6,417	6,458	6,630	6,558	6,897	6,539	* 6,779	6,421	
Other materials and supplies.....do.	* 290,984	* 346,423	28,075	28,459	29,013	29,377	29,176	29,726	28,801	30,182	30,427	30,199	31,014	* 32,620	32,654	
Supplementary series:																
Household durables.....do.	* 231,645	* 26,761	3,033	3,077	3,007	3,078	3,154	2,996	3,055	3,220	3,358	3,015	3,168	* 3,153	3,335	
Capital goods industries.....do.	* 128,461	* 153,669	12,461	12,571	12,768	13,590	12,638	12,887	13,488	14,124	12,912	14,124	14,294	* 14,369	13,378	
Nondefense.....do.	* 107,790	* 132,444	10,572	10,619	10,919	11,415	11,404	11,032	11,267	11,595	11,970	11,569	11,746	* 12,210	11,891	
Defense.....do.	* 20,671	* 21,225	1,889	1,952	1,849	2,175	1,199	1,855	1,565	1,893	2,154	1,343	2,378	* 2,159	1,487	
Unfilled orders, end of year or month (unadjusted), total.....mil. \$.																
Durable goods industries, total.....do.	85,314	114,623	94,583	97,044	98,772	100,983	103,699	106,104	107,800	110,076	112,600	114,623	118,369	* 121,764	123,693	
Nondur. goods ind. with unfilled orders <sup>⊕</sup> .....do.	81,345	106,886	90,020	92,316	93,950	96,222	98,995	101,441	103,198	105,436	107,921	109,886	113,411	* 116,727	118,565	
	3,969	4,737	4,563	4,728	4,822	4,761	4,704	4,663	4,602	4,640	4,679	4,737	4,958	* 5,037	5,128	
Unfilled orders, end of year or month (seasonally adjusted), total.....mil. \$.																
Durable goods industries, total ?.....do.	86,020	115,785	92,499	95,354	98,602	102,355	104,246	107,344	109,410	111,897	114,324	115,785	117,677	* 119,819	121,100	
Primary metals.....do.	81,986	110,953	88,031	90,719	93,882	97,647	99,560	102,621	104,716	107,185	109,606	110,953	112,616	* 114,804	116,061	
Blast furnaces, steel mills.....do.	7,964	14,844	9,438	10,623	11,954	13,181	13,815	14,798	14,857	14,996	14,934	14,844	14,033	* 13,773	13,775	
Nonferrous metals.....do.	5,008	9,884	5,992	7,000	8,025	9,089	9,658	10,540	10,459	10,309	10,591	9,884	8,701	* 8,401	8,132	
Fabricated metal products.....do.	1,861	2,787	2,219	2,305	2,506	2,560	2,534	2,528	2,582	2,730	2,816	2,787	3,106	* 3,058	3,167	
Machinery, except electrical.....do.	10,926	15,122	11,523	11,650	12,024	12,285	12,686	13,206	13,842	14,329	14,614	15,122	15,486	* 16,073	16,397	
Electrical machinery.....do.	14,917	22,002	16,432	16,866	17,365	17,926	18,587	19,118	19,798	20,621	21,321	22,022	22,438	* 23,156	24,170	
Transportation equipment.....do.	15,748	19,718	16,850	17,166	17,566	17,984	18,256	18,610	18,857	19,300	19,706	19,718	20,459	* 21,018	21,102	
Aircraft, missiles, and parts.....do.	26,107	31,446	27,206	27,604	28,025	29,126	28,932	29,598	29,878	30,437	31,885	31,446	32,279	* 32,872	32,614	
Nondur. goods ind. with unfilled orders <sup>⊕</sup> .....do.	18,010	19,488	18,617	18,497	18,663	19,009	18,748	19,003	19,148	19,648	19,765	19,488	19,858	* 20,161	20,113	
	4,034	4,832	4,468	4,635	4,720	4,708	4,686	4,723	4,694	4,712	4,718	4,832	5,061	* 5,015	5,039	
By market category:																
Home goods, apparel, consumer staples.....do.	2,432	2,881	2,562	2,663	2,668	2,770	2,877	2,761	2,806	2,885	2,978	2,881	2,949	* 2,852	2,900	
Equip. and defense prod., incl. auto.....do.	44,365															