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## SURVEY OF CURRENT BUSINESS

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Unless otherwise stated in footnotes below, data through 1974 and descriptive notes are as shown in the 1975 edition of BUSINESS STATISTICS	1976	1977	1977									1978				
	Annual		Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May
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. \$..	14,783	15,340	15,148	15,295	15,253	15,319	15,358	15,260	15,264	15,193	15,340	15,738	15,848	*15,947	15,922	-----
Consumer staples.....do.....	22,933	23,942	23,755	23,988	24,137	24,010	24,131	24,626	24,503	24,393	23,942	24,092	23,902	*24,157	24,586	-----
Equip. and defense prod., excl. auto.....do.....	39,574	42,836	40,326	40,676	40,693	41,080	41,376	41,729	41,783	42,155	42,836	42,971	43,869	*44,645	45,138	-----
Automotive equipment.....do.....	9,718	10,108	9,773	9,910	10,098	9,988	10,173	10,257	10,114	10,308	10,108	10,377	10,276	*10,256	10,196	-----
Construction materials and supplies.....do.....	14,270	14,935	14,653	14,635	14,535	14,639	14,630	14,777	14,937	15,046	14,935	15,203	15,720	*15,853	15,995	-----
Other materials and supplies.....do.....	68,608	72,553	70,360	71,212	71,752	72,261	72,414	72,362	72,700	72,745	72,553	72,596	72,778	*73,002	73,581	-----
Supplementary series:																
Household durables.....do.....	7,260	7,771	7,657	7,761	7,747	7,758	7,812	7,814	7,808	7,758	7,771	8,026	8,053	*8,116	8,141	-----
Capital goods industries.....do.....	43,056	46,677	44,171	44,546	44,665	44,839	45,201	45,544	45,546	45,926	46,677	46,966	47,524	*48,772	49,462	-----
Nondefense.....do.....	36,720	40,294	37,945	38,303	38,348	38,522	38,851	39,231	39,389	39,663	40,294	40,512	41,188	*42,151	42,773	-----
Defense.....do.....	6,336	6,383	6,226	6,243	6,317	6,317	6,350	6,313	6,157	6,263	6,383	6,454	6,636	*6,621	6,689	-----
New orders, net (not seas. adj.), total †Δ.....do.....	1,189,604	1,354,099	113,576	111,445	118,079	103,795	111,623	117,770	122,435	116,122	114,989	*109,532	*123,173	*129,869	131,068	-----
Durable goods industries, total.....do.....	611,963	717,537	60,407	59,555	63,955	53,776	57,598	62,243	66,699	61,767	61,797	*58,172	*66,343	*71,712	71,890	70,167
Nondurable goods industries, totalΔ.....do.....	577,641	636,562	53,169	51,890	54,124	50,019	54,025	55,527	55,736	54,355	53,192	51,360	56,830	*58,157	59,133	-----
New orders, net (seas. adj.), total †Δ.....do.....	21,189,604	21,354,099	111,269	111,102	112,141	108,868	112,615	113,680	117,331	117,024	122,128	*117,899	*122,693	*125,973	128,267	-----
By industry group:																
Durable goods industries, total†.....do.....	611,963	717,537	58,800	58,835	59,111	56,367	59,269	60,364	63,556	62,821	66,165	*63,335	*66,681	*69,016	70,033	69,473
Primary metals.....do.....	94,226	105,968	8,661	8,889	8,330	8,638	8,918	8,988	8,696	9,268	9,347	9,857	9,946	*10,228	10,308	10,717
Blast furnaces, steel mills.....do.....	47,396	53,394	4,356	4,650	4,103	4,374	4,452	4,665	4,359	4,766	4,609	4,938	5,302	*5,376	5,316	-----
Nonferrous and other primary met.....do.....	37,377	41,360	3,422	3,301	3,304	3,288	3,503	3,358	3,376	3,501	3,746	3,940	3,611	*3,850	3,941	-----
Fabricated metal products.....do.....	76,997	85,609	7,125	7,086	6,969	6,581	7,033	7,124	7,509	7,635	7,447	7,597	8,019	*7,826	8,688	-----
Machinery, except electrical.....do.....	103,901	122,489	9,712	9,842	10,085	9,720	10,469	10,576	10,762	10,797	11,210	10,563	11,482	*11,573	11,593	-----
Electrical machinery.....do.....	75,894	88,241	7,161	7,389	7,186	7,178	7,439	7,381	7,564	8,059	8,000	8,434	8,460	*8,319	8,775	-----
Transportation equipment.....do.....	143,606	178,617	15,115	14,552	15,653	13,260	13,721	14,518	17,117	15,247	17,569	*14,749	*16,392	*18,085	17,721	17,509
Aircraft, missiles, and parts.....do.....	32,279	42,420	4,189	3,402	4,398	2,494	2,841	3,328	4,519	3,283	5,240	*3,474	*4,040	*4,221	4,965	-----
Nondurable goods industries, totalΔ.....do.....	577,641	636,562	52,469	52,267	53,030	52,501	53,346	53,316	53,775	54,203	55,963	54,564	56,012	*56,957	58,190	-----
Industries with unfilled orders⊕.....do.....	124,527	139,673	11,490	11,372	11,696	11,656	11,782	11,730	11,770	11,932	12,289	12,002	12,047	*12,412	13,779	-----
Industries without unfilled orders†Δ.....do.....	453,114	496,889	40,979	40,895	41,334	40,845	41,564	41,586	42,005	42,271	43,674	42,562	43,965	*44,545	44,411	-----
By market category:†																
Home goods and apparelΔ.....do.....	93,444	103,442	8,277	8,325	8,500	8,496	8,953	8,736	9,146	8,908	9,325	9,007	9,222	*9,160	9,621	-----
Consumer staples.....do.....	227,963	244,051	20,289	19,899	20,307	19,727	20,503	20,298	20,339	20,908	21,494	20,680	21,984	*22,317	22,671	-----
Equip. and defense prod., excl. auto.....do.....	158,051	186,752	15,655	15,483	15,929	14,049	14,538	15,436	17,555	17,070	17,785	16,839	*17,822	*18,802	18,518	-----
Automotive equipment.....do.....	112,788	138,805	11,427	11,288	11,069	11,262	11,494	11,536	12,101	11,736	12,524	11,475	12,521	*12,895	13,165	-----
Construction materials and supplies.....do.....	94,415	110,261	8,901	9,029	9,056	8,791	9,342	9,406	9,634	9,885	10,008	10,011	10,417	*10,397	11,063	-----
Other materials and supplies.....do.....	502,943	570,788	46,720	47,078	46,743	46,543	47,785	48,268	48,556	48,517	50,992	50,088	50,727	*52,402	53,229	-----
Supplementary series:																
Household durables.....do.....	40,462	45,733	3,575	3,577	3,723	3,695	4,070	3,820	4,138	3,998	4,253	3,994	3,998	*4,262	4,369	4,259
Capital goods industries.....do.....	179,736	216,849	17,966	17,781	18,080	16,000	17,035	18,234	20,556	19,511	21,384	*19,382	*20,538	*21,992	21,440	21,744
Nondefense.....do.....	150,011	182,413	14,687	14,893	15,490	13,936	14,527	16,124	16,097	16,090	16,988	16,511	17,882	*17,507	17,409	17,797
Defense.....do.....	29,725	34,436	3,279	2,888	2,590	2,064	2,508	2,110	4,459	3,421	4,396	*2,871	*2,656	*4,485	4,031	3,947
Unfilled orders, end of year or month (unadjusted), total.....mil. \$.....	174,001	193,029	180,252	180,605	181,550	182,667	183,813	183,975	187,464	189,398	193,029	*197,123	*200,807	*205,248	209,097	-----
Durable goods industries, total.....do.....	166,137	184,482	171,448	171,994	173,006	173,951	175,296	175,551	178,963	180,896	184,482	*188,227	*191,804	*196,039	199,585	-----
Nondur. goods ind. with unfilled orders⊕.....do.....	7,864	8,547	8,804	8,611	8,544	8,716	8,517	8,424	8,501	8,502	8,547	8,896	9,003	*9,209	9,512	-----
Unfilled orders, end of year or month (seasonally adjusted) total.....mil. \$.....	174,553	193,659	180,217	181,678	182,816	181,857	182,453	183,547	186,787	189,469	193,659	*197,235	*200,798	*205,500	209,103	-----
By industry group:																
Durable goods industries, total ♀.....do.....	166,440	184,834	171,739	173,301	174,363	173,267	173,887	174,966	178,206	180,799	184,834	*188,194	*191,798	*196,359	199,895	203,794
Primary metals.....do.....	15,853	18,513	17,296	17,620	17,014	17,145	17,501	17,852	17,858	18,332	18,513	19,594	19,948	*20,866	21,349	22,390
Blast furnaces, steel mills.....do.....	9,962	11,852	11,219	11,502	11,002	11,081	11,234	11,524	11,500	11,882	11,852	12,627	12,996	*13,689	14,040	-----
Nonferrous and other primary met.....do.....	4,850	5,350	4,952	4,854	4,829	4,853	5,025	5,073	5,095	5,156	5,350	5,613	5,526	*5,696	5,871	-----
Fabricated metal products.....do.....	22,890	23,203	23,085	23,206	23,047	22,890	22,849	22,733	22,836	23,175	23,203	23,797	24,233	*24,213	24,847	-----
Machinery, except electrical.....do.....	43,707	47,221	44,491	44,587	45,135	45,044	45,358	45,792	46,274	46,681	47,221	47,732	48,434	*49,044	49,277	-----
Electrical machinery.....do.....	23,520	25,833	23,769	24,306	24,420	24,396	24,585	24,723	24,916	25,473	25,833	26,436	27,186	*27,526	28,151	-----
Transportation equipment.....do.....	52,724	60,527	54,506	55,000	56,218	55,257	54,908	54,923	57,144	57,864	60,527	*60,556	*62,072	*64,480	65,915	67,530
Aircraft, missiles, and parts.....do.....	34,502	41,275	36,025	36,301	37,677	37,177	37,078	37,278	38,550	39,004	41,275	*41,598	*42,502	*43,996	44,971	-----
Nondur. goods ind. with unfilled orders⊕.....do.....	8,113	8,825	8,478	8,377	8,453	8,590	8,566	8,581	8,581	8,670	8,825	9,041</				