

Unless otherwise stated in footnotes below, data through 1976 and descriptive notes are as shown in the 1977 edition of BUSINESS STATISTICS	1978	1979	1979		1980											
	Annual		Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
GENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORS—Continued																
BUSINESS INCORPORATIONS ‡																
New incorporations (50 States and Dist. Col.):																
Unadjusted..... number..	478,019	524,565	40,567	41,167	47,016	41,569	45,007	44,479	43,436	41,420	46,151	41,865	44,923	49,023	.....	.....
Seasonally adjusted..... do...	.....	.....	44,811	43,579	44,447	44,583	42,615	42,461	41,974	39,746	44,058	43,266	46,488	47,225	.....	.....
INDUSTRIAL AND COMMERCIAL FAILURES ‡																
Failures, total..... number..	6,619	7,564	519	509	729	677	925	1,068	975	1,094	1,141	1,009	926	.....	.....	.....
Commercial service..... do...	773	930	53	68	98	68	120	143	130	143	154	126	121	.....	.....	.....
Construction..... do...	1,204	1,378	91	82	122	149	192	214	202	210	215	221	190	.....	.....	.....
Manufacturing and mining..... do...	1,013	1,165	105	69	96	99	135	143	128	139	164	160	134	.....	.....	.....
Retail trade..... do...	2,889	3,183	217	220	332	291	381	437	405	483	492	400	363	.....	.....	.....
Wholesale trade..... do...	740	908	53	70	81	70	97	131	110	119	116	102	118	.....	.....	.....
Liabilities (current), total..... thous. \$.	2,656,006	2,667,362	184,307	138,015	243,149	190,788	274,238	428,150	381,146	436,680	445,693	345,408	1,002,944	.....	.....	.....
Commercial service..... do...	325,681	347,749	23,126	28,946	35,191	9,407	21,973	29,986	35,129	32,913	43,610	46,133	26,842	.....	.....	.....
Construction..... do...	328,378	291,323	11,621	16,909	30,420	37,170	47,810	134,025	84,405	130,691	49,079	60,678	41,318	.....	.....	.....
Manufacturing and mining..... do...	878,727	970,178	98,998	28,821	43,763	72,131	119,010	126,688	120,038	80,461	178,373	108,231	804,390	.....	.....	.....
Retail trade..... do...	777,450	636,859	35,392	39,687	84,136	54,369	60,332	96,317	78,183	123,589	84,811	81,870	56,491	.....	.....	.....
Wholesale trade..... do...	345,770	421,253	15,170	23,652	49,639	17,711	25,113	41,134	63,391	69,026	89,820	48,496	73,903	.....	.....	.....
Failure annual rate (seasonally adjusted)																
No. per 10,000 concerns..	'23.9	'27.8	23.1	24.9	30.9	27.5	36.2	42.2	39.3	48.7	52.0	45.4	45.0	.....	.....	.....

COMMODITY PRICES

PRICES RECEIVED AND PAID BY FARMERS																
Prices received, all farm products..... 1910-14=100..	524	603	596	598	591	596	584	561	568	579	617	640	653	*651	660	653
Crops #..... do.....	456	502	508	499	494	495	494	488	502	508	544	563	583	*583	607	599
Commercial vegetables..... do.....	522	548	538	515	499	490	545	589	578	550	514	535	554	*548	604	611
Cotton..... do.....	466	490	515	506	505	531	512	494	503	475	611	625	695	*636	656	679
Feed grains and hay..... do.....	320	360	*359	367	375	369	368	367	381	391	423	445	458	*464	478	490
Food grains..... do.....	336	403	451	434	431	441	431	425	434	428	443	455	458	*482	499	483
Fruit..... do.....	508	545	563	500	435	456	469	454	488	528	474	446	482	*511	494	428
Tobacco..... do.....	1,061	1,148	1,186	1,197	1,199	1,188	1,204	1,206	1,210	1,210	1,204	1,204	1,291	1,235	1,248	1,331
Livestock and products #..... do.....	595	708	689	701	692	702	679	637	637	653	694	721	724	*722	714	709
Dairy products..... do.....	647	736	789	783	783	783	777	777	771	764	771	783	807	*838	856	856
Meat animals..... do.....	757	938	880	897	887	921	876	803	810	839	894	932	921	*907	877	861
Poultry and eggs..... do.....	242	252	250	262	251	230	233	219	211	218	255	271	284	279	288	297
Prices paid:																
All commodities and services..... do.....	639	725	751	758	770	780	791	790	793	801	809	819	828	835	842	846
Family living items..... do.....	616	683	715	722	(*)											
Production items..... do.....	628	720	742	749	763	772	782	777	777	784	792	806	817	*823	831	833
All commodities and services, interest, taxes, and wage rates (parity index)..... 1910-14=100..	746	849	*876	883	913	923	933	933	936	944	952	962	972	979	986	991
Parity ratio \$..... do.....	70	71	68	*68	65	65	63	60	61	61	65	67	67	*66	67	66
CONSUMER PRICES † (U.S. Department of Labor Indexes)																
Not Seasonally Adjusted																
ALL ITEMS, WAGE EARNERS AND CLERICAL WORKERS, REVISED (CPI-W) †..... 1967=100..	195.3	217.7	227.6	230.0	233.3	236.5	239.9	242.6	245.1	247.8	248.0	249.6	251.9	254.1	256.4	.....
ALL ITEMS, ALL URBAN CONSUMERS (CPI-U) †..... 1967=100..	195.4	217.4	227.5	229.9	233.2	236.4	239.8	242.5	244.9	247.6	247.8	249.4	251.7	253.9	256.2	.....
Special group indexes:																
All items less shelter..... do.....	191.3	210.8	218.6	220.6	223.4	226.6	229.6	231.7	233.4	234.9	236.4	238.5	241.0	242.1	243.6	.....
All items less food..... do.....	191.2	213.0	224.1	226.4	229.9	233.5	237.1	239.9	242.6	245.5	245.1	246.3	248.6	250.9	253.2	.....
All items less medical care..... do.....	194.0	216.1	226.2	228.6	231.9	235.0	238.4	241.1	243.6	246.4	246.5	248.1	250.4	252.6	254.9	.....
Commodities..... do.....	187.1	208.4	217.4	219.4	222.4	225.2	228.0	229.9	231.4	232.8	234.1	236.7	239.0	240.7	242.5	.....
Nondurables..... do.....	192.0	215.9	225.8	228.2	232.0	236.3	240.3	242.2	243.2	244.5	245.9	248.3	250.2	251.0	252.4	.....
Nondurables less food..... do.....	174.3	198.7	212.9	215.2	220.5	227.3	232.6	234.6	235.5	236.3	236.6	237.8	239.3	239.6	240.5	.....
Durables..... do.....	173.9	191.1	198.4	199.8	201.3	202.1	203.0	204.9	207.1	208.6	209.8	212.4	215.3	218.1	220.6	.....
Commodities less food..... do.....	174.7	195.1	205.4	207.2	210.4	213.8	216.7	218.6	220.2	221.4	222.2	224.2	226.6	228.3	230.0	.....
Services..... do.....	210.9	234.2	246.2	249.3	253.1	256.8	261.3	265.3	269.2	274.2	272.4	272.5	274.8	277.9	280.9	.....
Services less rent..... do.....	219.4	244.9	258.2	261.6	266.1	270.2	275.4	280.0	284.4	290.0	287.6	287.4	289.8	293.2	296.4	.....
Food #..... do.....	211.4	234.5	239.1	241.7	243.8	244.9	247.3	249.1	250.4	252.0	254.8	258.7	261.1	262.4	264.5	.....
Food at home *..... do.....	210.2	232.9	236.0	238.7	240.6	241.3	243.6	245.3	246.5	248.0	251.5	256.3	258.9	260.0	262.1	.....
Housing..... do.....	*202.8	227.6	240.8	243.6	247.3	250.5	254.5	257.9	261.7	266.7	265.1	265.8	267.7	271.1	273.8	.....
Shelter #..... do.....	210.4	239.7	255.9	259.4	264.0	267.2	271.6	276.0	280.2	286.3	282.9	283.3	285.3	290.4	294.7	.....
Rent..... do.....	*164.0	176.0	182.1	182.9	184.1	185.6	186.6	187.0	188.9	191.1	192.1	193.2	195.1	197.1	198.3	.....
Homeownership..... do.....	227.2	262.4	282.4	286.9	292.5	296.3	302.0	307.7	312.9	320.4	315.4	315.4	317.6	323.8	329.4	.....
Fuel and utilities #..... do.....	*216.0	239.3	252.0	255.1	258.6	263.8	268.0	270.5	275.9	282.2	285.5	286.8	288.2	287.6	285.7	.....
Fuel oil and coal..... do.....	*298.3	403.1	477.4	488.0	514.0	539.1	553.4	556.4	556.0	558.7	560.4	561.5	561.5	558.7	567.0	.....
Gas (piped) and electricity..... do.....	232.6	257.8	267.3	270.8	273.0	278.8	284.0	288.0	298.2	308.8	314.3	316.1	318.4	317.1	310.5	.....
Household furnishings and operation..... do.....	*177.7	190.3	195.1	195.8	196.9	199.0	201.3	203.0	204.2	205.5	206.2	207.2	209.2	210.1	211.0	.....
Apparel and upkeep..... do.....	159.6	166.6	171.7	172.2	171.0	171.9	176.0	177.3	177.5	177.2	176.2	178.6	182.2	183.9	184.8	.....
Transportation..... do.....	185.5	212.0	224.9	227.7	233.5	239.6	243.7	246.8	249.0	249.7	251.0	252.7	254.7	256.1	259.0	.....
Private..... do.....	185.0	212.3	225.0	227.5	233.5	239.8	244.0	247.0	249.2	249.7	250.5	251.6	253.2	254.5	257.4	.....
New cars..... do.....	153.8	166.0	170.6	171.7	173.9	175.3	175.0	177.0	178.9	178.5	179.2	181.1	181.7	181.9	184.3	.....
Used cars..... do.....	186.5	201.0	198.4	198.2	197.2	195.3	195.2	196.7	199.3	200.7	203.4	206.4	214.6	222.7	230.8	.....
Public..... do.....	187.8	200.3	216.5	223.0	226.8	229.5	232.1	235.9	239.5	242.2	250.5	261.5	271.0	273.6	277.0	.....
Medical care..... do.....	219.4	239.7	248.0	250.7	253.9	257.9	260.2	262.0	263.4	264.7	266.6	268.4	270.6	272.8	274.5	.....
Seasonally Adjusted †																
All items, percent change from previous month.....			1.0	1.2	1.4	1.4	1.4	0.9	0.9	1.0	0.0	0.7	1.0	1.0	1.0	.....
Commodities..... do.....			217.9	220.4	223.5	226.1	228.8	230.0	231.6	233.0	235.8	238.7	240.7	242.5		
Commodities less food..... do.....			205.1	207.3	211.5	215.2	217.9	219.0	219.8	220.4	223.5	226.0	227.8	229.8		
Food..... do.....			241.4	244.8	244.8	244.7	247.1	248.4	249.2	250.5	252.9	257.5	261.6	263.6	266.6	
Food at home..... do.....			238.5	242.3	241.8	240.9	243.5	244.5	245.1	246.0	248.9	254.7	259.6	261.7	264.8	
Fuels and utilities..... do.....			252.4	255.1	(*)											
Fuel oil and coal..... do.....			478.4	485.6	(*)											
Apparel and upkeep..... do.....			169.7	170.8	172.4	173.5	177.0	177.5	177.2	177.2	177.9	179.0	181.3	182.2	182.7	
Transportation..... do.....			225.1	228.3	235.3	242.0	246.2	247.6	248.3	247.7	248.6	250.8	253.9	255.9	259.3	
Private..... do.....			225.3	228.3	235.4	242.3	246.5	247.9	248.4	247.5	248.0	249.7	252.4	254.3	257.7	
New cars..... do.....			169.2	169.5	171.8	173.9	174.5	177.0	178.7	178.9	180.5	183.5	185.4	182.6	182.8	
Services..... do.....			246.1	249.5	252.9	256.8	261.6	265.6	269.8	274.7	272.5	272.3	274.3	277.6	280.4	