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## SURVEY OF CURRENT BUSINESS

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Unless otherwise stated in footnotes below, data through 1978 and descriptive notes are as shown in the 1979 edition of BUSINESS STATISTICS	1981	1982	1982												1983	
	Annual		Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.
<b>GENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORS—Continued</b>																
<b>MANUFACTURERS' SALES, INVENTORIES, AND ORDERS —Continued</b>																
Unfilled orders, end of year or month (unadjusted), total † mil. \$.	316,375	292,978	319,921	319,197	319,817	318,518	312,234	305,804	301,624	295,827	292,004	291,312	288,323	*292,978	300,473	.....
Durable goods industries, total do.....	306,395	283,757	309,646	309,365	309,971	308,736	302,762	296,652	292,684	286,850	282,866	282,244	279,370	*283,757	290,835	.....
Nondur. goods ind. with unfilled orders † do.....	9,979	9,221	10,275	9,832	9,847	9,782	9,472	9,152	8,940	8,977	9,138	9,068	8,953	*9,221	9,638	.....
Unfilled orders, end of year or month (seasonally adjusted) total † mil. \$.	318,621	294,572	318,114	315,957	315,639	314,521	310,482	306,032	303,235	299,001	295,883	293,107	291,128	*294,572	298,427	.....
By industry group:																
Durable goods industries, total # do.....	308,370	285,077	307,877	306,211	305,947	305,004	301,194	296,866	294,272	290,011	286,706	283,960	281,861	*285,077	288,847	.....
Primary metals do.....	26,623	20,408	25,759	24,427	23,195	22,378	22,147	22,168	22,385	22,181	21,913	21,167	21,318	*20,408	20,803	.....
Blast furnaces, steel mills do.....	16,113	12,155	15,573	14,502	13,679	13,106	13,129	12,930	13,244	13,369	13,093	12,823	12,818	*12,155	12,364	.....
Nonferrous and other primary met. do.....	7,302	6,053	7,030	6,921	6,697	6,572	6,419	6,586	6,499	6,391	6,493	6,106	6,273	*6,053	6,200	.....
Fabricated metal products do.....	29,240	22,238	28,785	28,281	28,334	27,574	26,883	26,384	25,788	25,004	24,150	23,528	22,605	*22,238	22,123	.....
Machinery, except electrical do.....	72,627	54,627	71,807	69,727	67,595	67,425	65,934	63,462	61,458	59,703	58,276	58,054	56,491	*54,627	53,685	.....
Electrical machinery do.....	51,939	57,710	52,570	52,510	53,784	54,613	54,588	54,655	54,942	55,082	55,654	55,548	56,577	*57,710	58,024	.....
Transportation equipment do.....	113,709	117,765	115,043	117,196	118,529	119,178	117,876	116,652	116,359	114,855	113,390	112,604	112,086	*117,765	121,777	.....
Aircraft, missiles, and parts do.....	87,207	90,419	88,123	90,514	92,483	93,349	92,613	91,494	91,178	91,151	90,025	89,355	89,021	*90,419	93,473	.....
Nondur. goods ind. with unfilled orders † do.....	10,251	9,495	10,237	9,746	9,692	9,518	9,288	9,166	8,963	8,990	9,177	9,147	9,267	*9,495	9,580	.....
By market category: †																
Home goods, apparel, consumer staples do.....	4,244	3,637	4,029	3,998	4,429	3,684	3,951	4,087	3,866	3,700	3,556	3,446	3,462	*3,637	3,726	.....
Equip. and defense prod., incl. auto do.....	187,724	181,533	190,058	190,323	190,002	191,517	188,274	186,916	185,350	182,561	180,468	179,112	178,065	*181,533	184,346	.....
Construction materials and supplies do.....	16,982	13,244	16,440	16,148	16,416	15,972	15,506	15,170	15,076	14,606	14,509	14,178	13,517	*13,244	13,048	.....
Other materials and supplies do.....	109,671	96,158	107,588	105,488	104,793	103,346	102,751	99,859	98,943	98,134	97,350	96,371	96,084	*96,158	97,307	.....
Supplementary series:																
Household durables do.....	3,069	2,536	2,924	2,916	3,288	2,643	2,858	2,961	2,815	2,689	2,528	2,438	2,475	*2,536	2,632	.....
Capital goods industries do.....	220,621	213,724	221,841	222,197	222,888	224,799	221,766	218,756	216,480	214,264	211,737	210,440	209,314	*213,724	216,730	.....
Nondefense do.....	146,701	122,924	145,351	142,868	140,982	140,991	137,852	134,226	132,067	129,183	127,180	125,988	124,721	*122,924	122,383	.....
Defense do.....	73,919	90,800	76,490	79,329	81,905	83,808	83,914	84,530	84,413	85,081	84,557	84,452	84,593	*90,800	94,347	.....
<b>BUSINESS INCORPORATIONS @</b>																
New incorporations (50 States and Dist. Col.):																
Unadjusted number do.....	489,059	.....	42,680	42,511	52,574	48,845	46,008	48,876	45,282	45,572	45,461	45,029	44,354	.....	.....	.....
Seasonally adjusted do.....	.....	.....	43,330	47,234	46,899	46,876	46,995	45,936	44,525	46,981	45,552	45,530	44,474	.....	.....	.....
<b>INDUSTRIAL AND COMMERCIAL FAILURES @</b>																
Failures, total number do.....	16,794	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Commercial service do.....	2,366	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Construction do.....	3,614	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Manufacturing and mining do.....	2,224	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Retail trade do.....	6,882	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Wholesale trade do.....	1,708	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Liabilities (current), total, thous. \$.	6,955,180	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Commercial service do.....	1,045,825	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Construction do.....	851,780	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Manufacturing and mining do.....	2,370,415	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Retail trade do.....	1,558,528	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Wholesale trade do.....	1,128,632	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Failure annual rate (seasonally adjusted) No. per 10,000 concerns.	*61.3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

## COMMODITY PRICES

<b>PRICES RECEIVED AND PAID BY FARMERS †</b>																
Prices received, all farm products..... 1910-14=100..	633	609	602	609	609	618	634	628	624	607	619	585	587	581	585	604
Crops # do.....	580	525	547	535	522	533	544	541	540	508	538	491	505	495	*492	505
Commercial vegetables do.....	677	633	904	800	664	641	605	640	604	528	501	518	617	578	*526	607
Cotton do.....	566	467	425	415	425	459	471	490	506	446	469	505	506	484	*473	454
Feed grains and hay do.....	446	378	399	390	391	404	417	404	385	363	345	328	345	363	*375	399
Food grains do.....	456	401	432	425	419	417	413	388	374	376	383	388	393	398	*404	408
Fruit do.....	483	654	525	553	535	549	596	612	761	689	1,088	721	671	546	*499	484
Tobacco do.....	1,363	1,496	1,474	1,474	1,469	1,469	1,469	1,474	1,400	1,526	1,565	1,535	1,548	1,548	1,530	1,521
Livestock and products # do.....	688	696	659	685	699	706	727	718	711	710	705	685	672	669	*682	707
Dairy products do.....	842	829	850	844	832	820	807	801	807	807	826	844	856	850	*844	844
Meat animals do.....	848	876	791	841	870	898	950	936	912	922	894	850	823	828	*857	897
Poultry and eggs do.....	264	251	259	264	268	255	247	245	254	236	253	249	244	232	231	244
Prices paid:																
Production items do.....	855	864	853	855	864	863	868	873	873	871	865	859	860	859	869	875
All commodities and services, interest, taxes, and wage rates (parity index)..... 1910-14=100..	1,035	1,071	1,056	1,059	1,066	1,065	1,070	1,076	1,079	1,079	1,077	1,073	1,075	1,073	1,083	1,087
Parity ratio \$ do.....	61	57	57	58	57	58	59	58	58	56	57	55	55	54	54	56
<b>CONSUMER PRICES (U.S. Department of Labor Indexes)</b>																
<b>Not Seasonally Adjusted</b>																
<b>ALL ITEMS, WAGE EARNERS AND CLERICAL WORKERS, REVISED (CPI-W)..... 1967=100..</b>																
ALL ITEMS, ALL URBAN CONSUMERS (CPI-U)..... 1967=100..	272.3	288.6	282.1	282.9	282.5	283.7	286.5	290.1	*291.8	292.4	292.8	293.6	293.2	292.0	292.1	292.3
Special group indexes:																
All items less shelter do.....	272.4	289.1	282.5	283.4	283.1	284.3	287.1	290.6	292.2	292.8	293.3	294.1	293.6	292.4	*293.1	293.2
All items less food do.....	258.5	273.3	267.4	268.3	268.5	268.7	270.6	273.8	275.3	275.7	276.9	277.9	278.1	278.2	278.5	278.5
All items less medical care do.....	270.6	288.4	281.4	282.1	281.7	282.9	286.0	289.7	291.5	292.5	292.9	294.0	293.6	292.1	*292.6	292.6
	270.9	286.8	280.6	281.5	280.9	282.1	284.9	288.4	289.9	290.5	290.8	291.5	290.8	289.5	*290.0	290.0

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