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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		Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.
GENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORS—Continued																
MANUFACTURERS' SALES, INVENTORIES, AND ORDERS †—Continued																
Unfilled orders, end of year or month (unadjusted), total †	mil. \$.	321,402	299,731	302,153	298,080	297,647	294,619	299,731	307,683	308,490	311,178	313,705	313,139	314,420	*316,018	316,355
Durable goods industries, total	do....	311,635	290,757	293,401	289,196	288,861	285,883	290,757	298,447	299,227	301,397	303,720	303,057	304,334	*305,658	305,631
Nondur. goods ind. with unfilled orders †	do....	9,767	8,974	8,752	8,884	8,786	8,736	8,974	9,236	9,263	9,781	9,985	10,082	10,086	*10,360	10,724
Unfilled orders, end of year or month (seasonally adjusted) total †	mil. \$.	323,346	300,971	305,564	301,678	299,846	298,132	300,971	305,599	305,268	306,053	309,015	310,922	315,488	*318,348	320,342
By industry group:																
Durable goods industries, total #	do....	313,337	291,764	296,831	292,760	291,017	289,079	291,764	296,374	296,049	296,407	299,270	301,053	305,374	*307,963	309,629
Primary metals	do....	26,304	20,160	21,987	21,656	20,931	20,864	20,160	20,627	22,308	22,567	22,561	23,042	23,410	*23,830	24,739
Blast furnaces, steel mills	do....	15,779	11,891	13,095	12,796	12,492	12,370	11,891	12,168	13,204	13,388	13,281	13,672	13,660	*14,038	14,643
Nonferrous and other primary met.	do....	7,403	6,130	6,479	6,569	6,242	6,339	6,130	6,296	6,944	6,982	7,067	7,079	7,394	*7,405	7,815
Fabricated metal products	do....	28,784	21,531	24,786	24,127	23,599	22,626	21,531	21,403	21,052	21,255	21,003	21,012	21,090	*20,967	20,933
Machinery, except electrical	do....	73,517	55,697	60,853	59,306	58,874	57,524	55,697	54,703	53,859	53,999	54,690	55,213	55,455	*54,888	55,191
Electrical machinery	do....	54,037	60,600	57,339	57,787	58,303	59,223	60,600	60,828	61,246	61,408	61,967	63,078	63,317	*65,076	65,745
Transportation equipment	do....	115,556	120,898	118,172	116,140	115,779	115,619	120,898	126,003	124,576	123,997	125,463	124,783	127,593	*128,279	128,096
Aircraft, missiles, and parts	do....	88,640	92,669	93,414	91,936	91,801	91,806	92,669	96,483	95,883	95,873	97,112	95,954	98,181	*97,612	97,254
Nondur. goods ind. with unfilled orders † ..	do....	10,009	9,207	8,733	8,918	8,829	9,053	9,207	9,225	9,219	9,646	9,745	9,869	10,114	*10,385	10,713
By market category: †																
Home goods, apparel, consumer staples	do....	5,251	4,272	4,402	4,169	4,078	4,123	4,272	4,350	4,473	4,348	4,334	4,790	4,783	*4,890	4,685
Equip. and defense prod., incl. auto	do....	192,213	188,308	188,469	186,110	185,586	184,851	188,308	191,201	189,596	187,963	190,969	191,212	194,009	*194,378	194,798
Construction materials and supplies	do....	17,125	12,769	14,746	14,594	14,323	13,631	12,769	12,707	12,478	13,003	12,889	12,627	12,691	*12,523	12,692
Other materials and supplies	do....	108,757	95,622	97,947	96,805	95,859	95,527	95,622	97,341	98,721	100,739	100,823	102,293	104,005	*106,557	108,167
Supplementary series:																
Household durables	do....	3,909	3,032	3,245	3,003	2,953	2,969	3,032	3,095	3,189	3,159	3,156	3,572	3,575	*3,726	3,551
Capital goods industries	do....	224,377	219,633	219,640	216,384	215,912	215,279	219,633	223,367	221,843	221,290	223,562	223,780	227,053	*227,281	226,915
Nondefense	do....	146,301	122,942	129,042	127,129	126,046	124,718	122,942	122,251	120,664	118,658	119,122	119,734	120,405	*119,416	119,922
Defense	do....	78,076	96,691	90,598	89,255	89,866	90,561	96,691	101,116	101,179	102,632	104,440	104,046	106,648	*107,865	106,993
BUSINESS INCORPORATIONS @																
New incorporations (50 States and Dist. Col.):																
Unadjusted	number..	581,242	566,942	45,572	45,461	45,029	44,354	59,750	48,099	43,756	53,796	49,294				
Seasonally adjusted	do....			46,981	45,552	45,530	48,474	57,507	49,999	48,296	48,032	48,903				
INDUSTRIAL AND COMMERCIAL FAILURES @																
Failures, total	number..	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

PRICES RECEIVED AND PAID BY FARMERS †																
Prices received, all farm products..... 1910-14=100..		633	609	607	620	586	587	579	585	604	611	622	624	611	598	*634
Crops #	do....	580	524	507	538	491	505	494	492	509	523	549	558	545	539	*600
Commercial vegetables	do....	677	630	519	499	521	625	575	526	624	705	749	701	694	576	*593
Cotton	do....	566	467	446	469	505	506	484	473	476	506	504	521	516	545	*560
Feed grains and hay	do....	446	378	363	347	328	346	362	375	401	415	447	465	460	464	*490
Food grains	do....	456	401	376	383	388	393	398	404	405	412	425	425	397	380	*410
Fruit	do....	481	649	683	1,085	718	667	543	499	479	443	456	467	449	396	*598
Tobacco	do....	1,363	1,489	1,517	1,552	1,530	1,521	1,521	1,530	1,521	1,517	1,517	1,526	1,521	1,521	1,465
Livestock and products #	do....	688	696	712	706	685	671	669	682	705	703	698	691	679	659	*669
Dairy products	do....	842	831	813	832	844	850	850	844	844	832	826	813	807	807	*813
Meat animals	do....	848	876	922	895	851	823	828	857	893	895	891	874	848	806	*813
Poultry and eggs	do....	264	252	239	252	251	246	232	231	244	242	236	252	257	262	278
Prices paid:																
Production items	do....	855	864	871	865	859	860	859	869	875	880	887	890	890	883	*888
All commodities and services, interest, taxes, and wage rates (parity index)..... 1910-14=100..		1,035	1,071	1,080	1,077	1,073	1,075	1,073	1,083	1,088	1,091	1,096	1,100	1,102	1,100	*1,104
Parity ratio \$	do....	61	57	56	58	55	55	54	54	56	56	57	57	55	54	57
CONSUMER PRICES (U.S. Department of Labor Indexes)																
Not Seasonally Adjusted																
ALL ITEMS, WAGE EARNERS AND CLERICAL WORKERS, REVISED (CPI-W)..... 1967=100..		272.3	288.6	292.4	292.8	293.6	293.2	292.0	292.1	292.3	293.0	294.9	296.3	297.2	298.2	299.5
ALL ITEMS, ALL URBAN CONSUMERS (CPI-U)..... 1967=100..		272.4	289.1	292.8	293.3	294.1	293.6	292.4	*293.1	293.2	293.4	295.5	297.1	298.1	299.3	300.3
Special group indexes:																
All items less shelter	do....	258.5	273.3	275.7	276.9	277.9	278.1	278.2	278.5	278.5	278.7	280.8	282.4	283.4	284.5	285.4
All items less food	do....	270.6	288.4	292.5	292.9	294.0	293.6	292.1	*292.6	292.6	292.4	294.7	296.5	297.8	299.3	300.5
All items less medical care	do....	270.9	286.8	290.5	290.8	291.5	290.8	289.5	*290.0	290.0	290.1	292.3	293.9	294.9	296.0	297.0

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