

SURVEY OF CURRENT BUSINESS

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February 1984

Unless otherwise stated in footnotes below, data through 1982 and methodological notes are as shown in BUSINESS STATISTICS: 1982	1981	1982	1982	1983												1984
	Annual	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	
GENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORS—Continued																
MANUFACTURERS' SALES, INVENTORIES, AND ORDERS—Continued																
Unfilled orders, end of year or month (unadjusted), total..... mil. \$.	321,402	299,731	299,731	307,683	308,490	311,178	313,705	313,139	314,420	316,018	316,747	318,473	324,937	*328,379	331,968	.....
Durable goods industries, total..... do.....	311,635	290,757	290,757	298,447	299,227	301,397	303,720	303,057	304,334	305,658	306,099	307,547	314,130	*317,781	321,287	.....
Nondur. goods ind. with unfilled orders ‡..... do.....	9,767	8,974	8,974	9,236	9,263	9,781	9,985	10,082	10,086	10,360	10,648	10,926	10,807	*10,598	10,681	.....
Unfilled orders, end of year or month (seasonally adjusted) total..... mil. \$.	323,346	300,971	300,971	305,599	305,268	306,053	309,015	310,922	315,488	318,348	320,664	323,032	328,041	*332,431	333,120	.....
By industry group:																
Durable goods industries, total #..... do.....	313,337	291,764	291,764	296,374	296,049	296,407	299,270	301,053	305,374	307,963	310,024	312,048	317,185	*321,453	322,180	.....
Primary metals..... do.....	26,304	20,160	20,160	20,627	22,308	22,567	22,561	23,042	23,410	23,830	24,788	25,710	26,289	*27,184	26,217	.....
Blast furnaces, steel mills..... do.....	15,779	11,891	11,891	12,168	13,204	13,388	13,281	13,672	13,660	14,038	14,650	15,519	16,108	*16,345	15,647	.....
Nonferrous and other primary met..... do.....	7,403	6,130	6,130	6,296	6,944	6,982	7,067	7,079	7,394	7,405	7,812	7,761	7,733	*8,415	8,092	.....
Fabricated metal products..... do.....	28,784	21,531	21,531	21,403	21,052	21,255	21,003	21,012	21,090	20,967	20,982	20,834	20,565	*20,528	20,253	.....
Machinery, except electrical..... do.....	73,517	55,697	55,697	54,703	53,859	53,999	54,690	55,213	55,455	54,888	55,168	56,759	58,556	*58,573	58,540	.....
Electrical machinery..... do.....	54,037	60,600	60,600	60,828	61,246	61,408	61,967	63,078	63,317	65,076	66,192	68,863	68,392	*69,049	70,007	.....
Transportation equipment..... do.....	115,556	120,898	120,898	126,003	124,576	123,997	125,463	124,783	127,593	128,279	128,020	126,827	128,132	*130,941	132,032	.....
Aircraft, missiles, and parts..... do.....	88,640	92,669	92,669	96,483	95,883	95,873	97,112	95,954	98,181	97,612	97,203	97,060	98,455	*99,817	101,261	.....
Nondur. goods ind. with unfilled orders ‡..... do.....	10,009	9,207	9,207	9,225	9,219	9,646	9,745	9,869	10,114	10,385	10,640	10,984	10,856	*10,978	10,940	.....
By market category:																
Home goods, apparel, consumer staples..... do.....	5,251	4,272	4,272	4,350	4,473	4,348	4,334	4,790	4,783	4,890	4,992	4,892	4,732	*4,799	4,895	.....
Equip. and defense prod., incl. auto..... do.....	192,213	188,308	188,308	191,201	189,596	187,963	190,969	191,212	194,009	194,378	194,659	196,055	198,903	*201,767	202,727	.....
Construction materials and supplies..... do.....	17,125	12,769	12,769	12,707	12,478	13,003	12,889	12,627	12,691	12,523	12,685	12,523	12,456	*12,376	12,173	.....
Other materials and supplies..... do.....	108,757	95,622	95,622	97,341	98,721	100,739	100,823	102,293	104,005	106,557	108,328	109,562	111,950	*113,489	113,325	.....
Supplementary series:																
Household durables..... do.....	3,909	3,032	3,032	3,095	3,189	3,159	3,156	3,572	3,575	3,726	3,809	3,655	3,548	*3,550	3,563	.....
Capital goods industries..... do.....	224,377	219,633	219,633	223,367	221,843	221,290	223,562	223,780	227,053	227,281	226,847	227,872	230,732	*233,452	234,768	.....
Nondefense..... do.....	146,301	122,942	122,942	122,251	120,664	118,658	119,122	119,734	120,405	119,416	119,880	121,388	124,314	*124,630	123,857	.....
Defense..... do.....	78,076	96,691	96,691	101,116	101,179	102,632	104,440	104,046	106,648	107,865	106,967	106,484	106,418	*108,822	110,911	.....
BUSINESS INCORPORATIONS @																
New incorporations (50 States and Dist. Col.):																
Unadjusted..... number.....	581,242	566,942	59,750	48,099	43,756	53,796	49,294	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Seasonally adjusted..... do.....	.....	.....	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	*580	585	*605	*612	622	624	*612	*601	*635	*621	614	*615	641	655
Crops #..... do.....	580	524	*495	*491	*510	*526	549	*559	*548	*545	*601	*583	*579	*579	*593	592
Commercial vegetables..... do.....	677	630	575	526	624	705	749	701	*698	*582	*595	*619	*670	*657	*722	800
Cotton..... do.....	566	*469	*487	*481	*487	*525	*510	*537	*528	*566	*566	533	*540	*564	568	540
Feed grains and hay..... do.....	446	378	362	375	*400	*416	447	*466	460	464	490	490	476	476	*476	479
Food grains..... do.....	456	401	398	404	405	412	*423	*423	*396	380	410	*414	412	405	*397	394
Fruit..... do.....	*480	649	*545	499	*485	*452	*464	*476	*475	*441	*597	394	433	*443	*527	477
Tobacco..... do.....	1,363	1,489	1,521	1,530	1,521	1,517	1,517	1,526	1,521	1,521	1,465	1,570	1,521	1,478	1,465	1,469
Livestock and products #..... do.....	688	696	669	682	705	703	698	691	679	659	669	660	649	651	*689	720
Dairy products..... do.....	842	831	850	844	844	832	826	813	807	807	813	826	844	850	844	838
Meat animals..... do.....	848	876	828	857	893	895	891	874	848	806	813	781	758	742	*804	842
Poultry and eggs..... do.....	264	252	232	231	244	242	236	252	257	262	278	294	283	312	335	373
Prices paid:																
Production items..... do.....	855	*865	*860	*867	*873	*878	*885	*888	*887	*881	*886	*889	*885	*891	*895	900
All commodities and services, interest, taxes, and wage rates (parity index)..... 1910-14=100.....	1,035	*1,076	*1,079	*1,088	*1,093	*1,096	*1,102	*1,106	*1,107	*1,104	*1,108	*1,112	*1,110	*1,116	*1,119	1,128
Parity ratio \$..... do.....	61	57	54	54	*55	56	*56	*56	55	54	57	56	*55	55	*57	58
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	292.0	292.1	292.3	293.0	294.9	296.3	297.2	298.2	299.5	300.8	301.3	301.4	301.5	302.7
ALL ITEMS, ALL URBAN CONSUMERS (CPI-U)..... 1967=100.....	272.4	289.1	292.4	*293.1	293.2	293.4	295.5	297.1	298.1	299.3	300.3	301.8	302.6	303.1	303.5	305.2
Special group indexes:																
All items less shelter..... do.....	258.5	273.3	278.2	278.5	278.5	278.7	280.8	282.4	283.4	284.5	285.4	286.8	287.5	287.8	288.1	289.8
All items less food..... do.....	270.6	288.4	292.1	*292.6	292.6	292.4	294.7	296.5	297.8	299.3	300.5	302.3	303.2	303.9	304.0	304.8
All items less medical care..... do.....	270.9	286.8	289.5	*290.0	290.0	290.1	292.3	293.9	294.9	296.0	297.0	298.5	299.3	299.7	300.0	301.6

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