

April 1984

SURVEY OF CURRENT BUSINESS

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Unless otherwise stated in footnotes below, data through 1982 and methodological notes are as shown in BUSINESS STATISTICS: 1982	1982	1983	1983												1984		
	Annual		Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	
GENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORS—Continued																	
MANUFACTURERS' SALES, INVENTORIES, AND ORDERS—Continued																	
Unfilled orders, end of year or month (unadjusted), total..... mil. \$..	299,731	333,109	308,490	311,178	313,705	313,139	314,420	316,018	316,747	318,473	324,937	328,379	*333,100	*342,389	350,057	.....
Durable goods industries, total..... do.....	290,757	322,553	299,227	301,397	303,720	303,057	304,334	305,658	306,099	307,547	314,130	317,781	322,553	*331,470	338,860	.....
Nondur. goods ind. with unfilled orders †..... do.....	8,974	10,547	9,263	9,781	9,985	10,082	10,086	10,360	10,648	10,926	10,807	10,598	10,547	*10,919	11,197	.....
Unfilled orders, end of year or month (seasonally adjusted) total..... mil. \$..	300,971	334,263	305,268	306,053	309,015	310,922	315,488	318,348	320,664	323,032	328,041	332,431	334,263	*340,126	346,182	.....
By industry group:																	
Durable goods industries, total #..... do.....	291,764	323,463	296,049	296,407	299,270	301,053	305,374	307,963	310,024	312,048	317,185	321,453	323,463	*329,188	335,023	.....
Primary metals..... do.....	20,160	26,290	22,308	22,567	22,561	23,042	23,410	23,830	24,788	25,710	26,289	27,184	26,290	*28,246	28,707	.....
Blast furnaces, steel mills..... do.....	11,891	15,605	13,204	13,388	13,281	13,672	13,660	14,038	14,650	15,519	16,108	16,345	15,605	*17,287	17,757	.....
Nonferrous and other primary met..... do.....	6,130	8,162	6,944	6,982	7,067	7,079	7,394	7,405	7,812	7,761	7,733	8,415	8,162	*8,302	8,245	.....
Fabricated metal products..... do.....	21,531	20,295	21,052	21,255	21,003	21,012	21,090	20,967	20,982	20,834	20,565	20,528	20,295	*20,372	20,523	.....
Machinery, except electrical..... do.....	55,697	58,266	53,859	53,999	54,690	55,213	55,455	54,888	55,168	56,759	58,556	58,573	58,266	*59,110	59,758	.....
Electrical machinery..... do.....	60,600	70,353	61,246	61,408	61,967	63,078	63,317	65,076	66,192	66,863	68,392	69,049	70,353	*71,337	73,021	.....
Transportation equipment..... do.....	120,898	133,185	124,576	123,997	125,463	124,783	127,593	128,279	128,020	126,827	128,132	130,941	*133,185	*134,754	137,482	.....
Aircraft, missiles, and parts..... do.....	92,669	102,429	95,883	95,873	97,112	95,954	98,181	97,612	97,203	97,060	98,455	99,817	102,429	*103,589	105,162	.....
Nondur. goods ind. with unfilled orders †..... do.....	9,207	10,800	9,219	9,646	9,745	9,869	10,114	10,385	10,640	10,984	10,856	10,978	10,800	*10,938	11,159	.....
By market category:																	
Home goods and apparel *..... do.....	3,457	4,222	3,695	3,589	3,575	4,015	4,051	4,199	4,272	4,153	4,016	4,039	4,222	*4,516	4,702	.....
Consumer staples *..... do.....	815	745	778	759	759	775	732	691	720	739	716	760	745	*722	692	.....
Equip. and defense prod., excl. auto *..... do.....	183,026	195,145	184,266	182,729	185,457	185,639	188,209	188,212	187,894	189,477	191,853	194,432	195,145	*197,008	201,203	.....
Automotive equipment *..... do.....	5,282	7,688	5,330	5,234	5,512	5,573	5,800	6,166	6,765	6,578	7,050	7,335	7,688	*7,966	8,070	.....
Construction materials and supplies..... do.....	12,769	12,157	12,478	13,003	12,889	12,627	12,691	12,523	12,685	12,523	12,456	12,376	12,157	*12,101	12,325	.....
Other materials and supplies..... do.....	95,622	114,306	98,721	100,739	100,823	102,293	104,005	106,557	108,328	109,562	111,950	113,489	114,306	*117,813	119,190	.....
Supplementary series:																	
Household durables..... do.....	3,032	3,701	3,189	3,159	3,156	3,572	3,575	3,726	3,809	3,655	3,548	3,550	3,701	*4,003	4,117	.....
Capital goods industries..... do.....	219,633	235,555	221,843	221,290	223,562	223,780	227,053	227,281	226,847	227,872	230,732	233,452	235,555	*237,888	242,429	.....
Nondefense..... do.....	122,942	123,647	120,664	118,658	119,122	119,734	120,405	119,416	119,880	121,388	124,314	124,630	123,647	*125,000	127,816	.....
Defense..... do.....	96,691	111,908	101,179	102,632	104,440	104,046	106,648	107,865	106,967	106,484	106,418	108,822	111,908	*112,888	114,613	.....
BUSINESS INCORPORATIONS @																	
New incorporations (50 States and Dist. Col.):																	
Unadjusted..... number.....	566,942	600,400	43,756	53,796	49,294	50,763	54,357	47,726	53,515	49,890	49,331	47,924	51,969	.....	.....	.....
Seasonally adjusted..... do.....	.....	.....	48,296	48,032	48,903	50,211	50,992	48,601	52,828	50,445	50,441	51,642	51,557	.....	.....	.....
INDUSTRIAL AND COMMERCIAL FAILURES @																	
Failures, total..... number.....	(*)	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Commercial service..... do.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Construction..... do.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Manufacturing and mining..... do.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Retail trade..... do.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Wholesale trade..... do.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Liabilities (current), total..... thous. \$..	(*)	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Commercial service..... do.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Construction..... do.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Manufacturing and mining..... do.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Retail trade..... do.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Wholesale trade..... do.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Failure annual rate (seasonally adjusted)																	
No. per 10,000 concerns..																	

COMMODITY PRICES

PRICES RECEIVED AND PAID BY FARMERS †																	
Prices received, all farm products 1910-14=100..	609	616	605	612	622	624	612	601	635	621	614	615	641	660	*658	666	
Crops #	do...	524	555	510	526	549	559	548	545	601	583	579	579	593	599	*592	609
Commercial vegetables	do...	630	654	624	705	749	701	698	582	595	619	670	657	722	815	*843	865
Cotton	do...	469	534	487	525	510	537	528	566	566	533	540	564	568	529	*555	585
Feed grains and hay	do...	378	453	400	416	447	466	460	464	490	490	476	476	476	479	*473	487
Food grains	do...	401	407	405	412	423	423	396	380	410	414	412	405	397	399	*391	395
Fruit	do...	649	474	485	452	464	476	475	441	597	394	433	443	527	479	*473	490
Tobacco	do...	1,489	1,513	1,521	1,517	1,517	1,526	1,521	1,521	1,465	1,570	1,521	1,478	1,465	1,469	1,457	1,448
Livestock and products #	do...	696	678	705	703	698	691	679	659	669	660	649	651	689	724	*726	724
Dairy products	do...	831	829	844	832	826	813	807	807	813	826	844	850	844	832	*820	807
Meat animals	do...	876	830	893	895	891	874	848	806	813	781	758	742	804	853	*869	885
Poultry and eggs	do...	252	269	244	242	236	252	257	262	278	294	283	312	335	373	364	339
Prices paid:																	
Production items	do...	865	884	873	878	885	888	887	881	886	889	885	891	895	901	903	913
All commodities and services, interest, taxes, and wage rates (parity index) 1910-14=100..	1,076	1,105	1,093	1,096	1,102	1,106	1,107	1,104	1,108	1,112	1,110	1,116	1,119	1,128	1,132	1,140	
Parity ratio \$	do...	57	56	55	56	56	56	55	54	57	56	55	55	57	59	*58	58
CONSUMER PRICES																	
(U.S. Department of Labor Indexes)																	
Not Seasonally Adjusted																	
ALL ITEMS, WAGE EARNERS AND CLERICAL WORKERS, REVISED (CPI-W) 1967=100..																	
.....	288.6	297.4	292.3	293.0	294.9	296.3	297.2	298.2	299.5	300.8	301.3	301.4	301.5	302.7	303.3	303.3	
ALL ITEMS, ALL URBAN CONSUMERS (CPI-U) ◇ 1967=100..																	
.....	289.1	298.4	293.2	293.4	295.5	297.1	298.1	299.3	300.3	301.8	302.6	303.1	303.5	305.2	306.6	307.3	
Special group indexes:																	
All items less shelter.....	do....	273.3	283.5	278.5	278.7	280.8	282.4	283.4	284.5	285.4	286.8	287.5	287.8	288.1	289.8	291.4	291.9
All items less food ◇	do....	288.4	298.3	292.6	292.4	294.7	296.5	297.8	299.3	300.5	302.3	303.2	303.9	304.0	304.8	305.9	306.8
All items less medical care ◇	do....	286.8	295.1	290.0	290.1	292.3	293.9	294.9	296.0	297.0	298.5	299.3	299.7	300.0	301.6	302.9	303.8