

Unless otherwise stated in footnotes below, data through 1982 and methodological notes are as shown in BUSINESS STATISTICS: 1982		Annual		1984										1985				
		1983	1984	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	
GENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORS—Continued																		
MANUFACTURERS' SALES, INVENTORIES, AND ORDERS **—Continued																		
Unfilled orders, end of period (unadjusted), total.....mil. \$.....	'328,232	'352,940	'357,868	'359,391	'356,519	'358,699	'357,132	'354,888	'351,620	'351,926	'352,940	360,261	'363,459	'363,917	361,511			
Durable goods industries, total.....do.....	'317,708	'343,026	'346,749	'348,369	'345,664	'347,720	'346,596	'344,549	'341,591	'342,161	'343,026	350,061	'353,223	'353,790	351,490			
Nondurable goods industries with unfilled orders ‡.....do.....	10,524	'9,914	'11,120	'11,023	'10,855	'10,979	'10,536	'10,339	'10,029	'9,765	'9,914	10,200	10,236	'10,127	10,021			
Unfilled orders, end of period (seasonally adjusted) total.....mil. \$.....	'330,924	'355,640	'350,763	'354,750	'355,406	'359,571	'360,800	'360,687	'356,211	'358,150	'355,640	359,125	'359,926	'357,285	354,467			
By industry group:																		
Durable goods industries, total #.....do.....	'320,123	'345,443	'339,933	'343,988	'344,596	'348,734	'350,340	'350,336	'346,035	'348,075	'345,443	348,924	'349,671	'347,230	344,678			
Primary metals.....do.....	'20,933	'19,100	'22,786	'22,075	20,877	'20,791	'20,469	'20,084	'19,634	'19,324	'19,100	19,403	'19,009	'18,993	19,562			
Blast furnaces, steel mills.....do.....	'9,969	'8,660	'11,052	'10,360	'9,459	'9,223	'9,041	'8,626	'8,470	'8,504	'8,660	8,963	9,058	'8,970	9,322			
Nonferrous and other primary metals.....do.....	'8,408	'7,444	'8,720	'8,660	'8,250	'8,287	'8,108	'8,172	'7,964	'7,708	'7,444	'7,367	'6,989	'6,963	7,112			
Fabricated metal products.....do.....	'20,535	'21,651	'20,832	'20,923	'20,815	'20,647	'20,927	'21,185	'21,332	'21,737	'21,651	'21,754	'21,529	'21,313	21,239			
Machinery, except electrical.....do.....	'58,444	'61,328	'61,412	'62,219	'62,864	'64,082	'64,142	'63,820	'62,599	'62,492	'61,328	'59,794	'63,245	'63,659	62,381			
Electrical machinery.....do.....	'70,106	'78,868	'75,398	'77,362	'78,258	'79,363	'80,386	'81,273	'80,864	'80,462	'78,868	82,023	'81,304	'81,630	81,218			
Transportation equipment.....do.....	'134,451	'147,596	'143,063	'144,600	'145,182	'146,915	'147,464	'147,164	'144,804	'147,427	'147,596	148,618	147,120	'144,531	143,055			
Aircraft, missiles, and parts.....do.....	'103,820	'119,920	'111,996	'113,392	'114,162	'116,347	'117,549	'117,987	'116,372	'119,208	'119,920	121,388	120,298	'118,097	117,178			
Nondurable goods industries with unfilled orders ‡.....do.....	'10,801	'10,197	'10,830	'10,762	'10,810	'10,837	'10,460	'10,351	'10,176	'10,075	'10,197	10,201	10,255	'10,055	9,789			
By market category:																		
Home goods and apparel *.....do.....	'4,783	'4,562	'5,349	'5,470	'5,246	'5,313	'5,301	'5,201	'5,033	'4,548	'4,562	5,154	5,133	'4,953	4,748			
Consumer staples *.....do.....	'719	'649	'667	'677	670	'659	'671	'643	'677	'649	'649	653	735	'666	662			
Equip. and defense prod., excl. auto *.....do.....	'196,921	'219,947	'208,230	'211,764	'213,432	'216,241	'218,565	'219,516	'217,883	'221,462	'219,947	222,007	'222,824	'222,686	221,714			
Automotive equipment *.....do.....	'7,544	'6,287	'8,080	'8,051	'7,945	'7,861	'7,531	'7,105	'6,703	'6,425	'6,287	6,129	6,446	6,422	6,247			
Construction materials, supplies, and intermediate products.....do.....	'12,261	'12,640	'12,363	'12,330	'12,232	'12,126	'12,368	'12,291	'12,398	'12,437	'12,640	12,774	12,946	'12,600	12,619			
Other materials, supplies, and intermediate products.....do.....	'108,696	'111,555	'116,074	'116,458	'115,881	'117,371	'116,364	'115,931	'113,517	'112,629	'111,555	112,408	111,842	'109,958	108,477			
Supplementary series:																		
Household durables.....do.....	'4,256	'4,155	'4,785	'4,904	'4,704	'4,750	'4,775	'4,700	'4,584	'4,132	'4,155	4,730	4,633	'4,481	4,305			
Capital goods industries.....do.....	'236,818	'263,713	'250,618	'254,157	'256,207	'259,968	'262,401	'263,644	'260,965	'264,458	'263,713	266,777	'267,953	'266,911	264,608			
Nondefense.....do.....	'124,064	'133,938	'130,748	'133,399	'134,535	'136,749	'137,125	'137,148	'135,625	'135,366	'133,938	132,322	135,486	'134,921	132,972			
Defense.....do.....	'112,754	'129,775	'119,870	'120,758	'121,672	'123,219	'125,276	'126,496	'125,340	'129,092	'129,775	134,455	'132,467	'131,990	131,636			
BUSINESS INCORPORATIONS @																		
New incorporations (50 States and Dist. Col.): Unadjusted.....number.....	600,400	634,991	54,257	54,338	55,878	52,040	53,326	47,118	55,216	49,585	51,844							
Seasonally adjusted.....do.....			53,933	51,166	54,729	52,092	51,723	51,835	52,587	53,490	53,503							
INDUSTRIAL AND COMMERCIAL FAILURES @																		
Failures, total.....number.....	31,334																	
Commercial service.....do.....	8,627																	
Construction.....do.....	5,247																	
Manufacturing and mining.....do.....	4,433																	
Retail trade.....do.....	11,429																	
Wholesale trade.....do.....	3,598																	
Liabilities (current), total.....thous. \$.....	(2)																	
Commercial service.....do.....	3,038,790																	
Construction.....do.....	1,548,554																	
Manufacturing and mining.....do.....	6,371,932																	
Retail trade.....do.....	2,329,134																	
Wholesale trade.....do.....	2,784,450																	
Failure annual rate (seasonally adjusted) No. per 10,000 concerns.....	109.7																	

COMMODITY PRICES

PRICES RECEIVED AND PAID BY FARMERS †																	
Prices received, all farm products.....1910-14=100..	613	649	665	663	657	661	654	634	632	625	618	619	617	611	'598	591	
Crops #.....do.....	550	599	605	628	625	623	621	588	597	563	542	546	540	548	'541	537	
Commercial vegetables.....do.....	652	667	677	607	586	599	700	637	687	528	571	639	681	763	'610	579	
Cotton.....do.....	531	553	567	614	574	556	569	545	545	522	471	440	413	460	'472	469	
Feed grains and hay.....do.....	452	460	496	505	498	482	461	434	409	399	403	410	408	410	'418	419	
Food grains.....do.....	407	394	412	414	393	375	391	390	390	393	385	385	383	385	'390	373	
Fruit.....do.....	454	736	518	658	745	867	912	907	1,070	912	743	729	697	646	'636	668	
Tobacco.....do.....	1,429	1,513	1,444	1,444	1,444	1,444	1,521	1,635	1,605	1,635	1,609	1,574	1,540	1,549	'1,530	1,529	
Livestock and products #.....do.....	679	701	725	699	689	699	687	680	667	690	697	696	697	677	'656	646	
Dairy products.....do.....	830	821	801	795	783	789	801	832	856	875	856	856	838	813	'789	777	
Meat animals.....do.....	831	854	881	863	860	872	855	826	799	823	852	856	871	837	'815	804	
Poultry and eggs.....do.....	269	308	353	303	286	294	273	280	267	289	277	266	258	265	251	245	
Prices paid:																	
Production items.....do.....	883	899	909	'907	907	901	897	892	885	887	885	892	891	888	886	883	
All commodities and services, interest, taxes, and wage rates (parity index).....1910-14=100..	1,104	1,130	1,133	'1,133	1,134	1,131	1,130	1,128	1,125	1,127	1,125	1,130	1,130	1,130	'1,133	1,133	
Parity ratio \$.....do.....	56	57	59	'59	58	58	58	56	56	55	55	55	55	54	53	52	
CONSUMER PRICES (U.S. Department of Labor Indexes)																	
Not Seasonally Adjusted																	
ALL ITEMS, WAGE EARNERS AND CLERICAL WORKERS, REVISED (CPI-W) ◇.....1967=100..	297.4	307.6	304.1	305.4	306.2	307.5	310.3	312.1	312.2	311.9	312.2	'312.6	313.9	315.3	316.7	317.8	
ALL ITEMS, ALL URBAN CONSUMERS (CPI-U) ◇.....1967=100..	298.4	311.1	308.8	309.7	310.7	311.7	313.0	314.5	315.3	315.3	315.5	316.1	317.4	318.8	320.1	321.3	
Special group indexes:																	
All items less shelter.....do.....	283.5	295.1	293.2	294.0	294.9	295.6	296.7	298.1	298.7	298.6	298.6	298.9	300.0	301.5	302.8	303.4	
All items less food ◇.....do.....	298.3	311.3	308.6	310.0	311.0	312.0	313.2	315.2	316.1	316.2	316.2	316.3	317.4	319.1	320.8	322.4	
All items less medical care ◇.....do.....	295.1	307.3	305.1	306.0	306.9	307.9	309.2	310.7	311.4	311.3	311.5	311.9	313.1	314.5	315.8	317.0	

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