

Unless otherwise stated in footnotes below, data through 1976 and descriptive notes are as shown in the 1977 edition of BUSINESS STATISTICS	1979	1980	1980										1981		
	Annual	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.

GENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORS—Continued

BUSINESS INCORPORATIONS ‡															
New incorporations (50 States and Dist. Col.):															
Unadjusted..... number..	524,565	533,520	41,569	45,007	44,479	43,436	41,420	46,151	41,865	44,923	49,023	39,691	48,940	.....	.....
Seasonally adjusted..... do..	.....	.....	44,583	42,615	42,461	41,974	39,746	44,058	43,266	46,488	47,225	43,834	51,807	.....	.....
INDUSTRIAL AND COMMERCIAL FAILURES ‡															
Failures, total..... number..	7,564	11,742	677	925	1,068	975	1,094	1,141	1,009	926	1,323	860	1,015	.....	.....
Commercial service..... do..	930	1,594	68	120	143	130	143	154	126	121	211	130	150	.....	.....
Construction..... do..	1,378	2,355	149	192	214	202	210	215	221	190	282	168	190	.....	.....
Manufacturing and mining..... do..	1,165	1,599	99	135	143	128	139	164	160	134	147	104	150	.....	.....
Retail trade..... do..	3,183	4,910	291	381	437	405	483	492	400	363	532	373	421	.....	.....
Wholesale trade..... do..	908	1,284	70	97	131	110	119	116	102	118	151	85	104	.....	.....
Liabilities (current), total..... thous. \$..	2,667,362	4,635,080	190,788	274,238	428,150	381,146	436,680	445,693	345,408	1,002,944	359,242	239,344	288,298	.....	.....
Commercial service..... do..	347,749	413,502	9,407	21,973	29,986	35,129	32,913	43,610	46,133	26,842	50,288	54,564	27,466	.....	.....
Construction..... do..	291,323	752,109	37,170	47,810	134,025	84,405	130,691	49,079	60,678	41,318	59,971	29,822	46,720	.....	.....
Manufacturing and mining..... do..	970,178	1,885,017	72,131	119,010	126,688	120,038	80,461	178,373	108,231	804,390	106,539	59,565	65,828	.....	.....
Retail trade..... do..	636,859	993,539	54,369	60,332	96,317	78,183	123,589	84,811	81,870	56,491	86,849	62,195	124,397	.....	.....
Wholesale trade..... do..	421,253	590,913	17,711	25,113	41,134	63,391	69,026	89,820	48,496	73,903	55,595	33,198	23,887	.....	.....
Failure annual rate (seasonally adjusted)															
No. per 10,000 concerns..	127.8	142.1	27.5	36.2	42.2	39.3	48.7	52.0	45.4	45.0	56.8	39.2	46.8	.....	.....

COMMODITY PRICES

PRICES RECEIVED AND PAID BY FARMERS																
Prices received, all farm products..... 1910-14=100..	602	615	598	585	563	570	582	617	643	653	652	660	662	659	*657	646
Crops #..... do.....	501	542	497	496	491	505	513	544	568	584	583	609	613	622	*621	616
Commercial vegetables..... do.....	548	561	487	542	584	581	555	524	555	576	569	623	640	695	*796	830
Cotton..... do.....	490	602	562	547	534	564	530	632	676	687	636	655	683	649	*603	569
Feed grains and hay..... do.....	360	417	368	367	366	381	391	423	445	458	464	478	489	491	492	481
Food grains..... do.....	403	452	441	431	425	434	428	443	455	458	482	499	498	497	*492	469
Fruit..... do.....	534	470	458	467	459	472	520	463	444	482	510	493	438	432	*415	466
Tobacco..... do.....	1,148	1,228	1,188	1,204	1,206	1,210	1,210	1,204	1,204	1,291	1,235	1,248	1,331	1,296	1,296	1,297
Livestock and products #..... do.....	708	691	702	679	637	637	653	694	721	724	722	714	713	697	*693	676
Dairy products..... do.....	736	798	783	777	777	771	764	771	783	807	838	856	863	863	*856	850
Meat animals..... do.....	938	878	921	876	803	810	839	894	932	921	907	877	867	848	*845	817
Poultry and eggs..... do.....	252	253	230	233	219	211	218	255	271	284	279	288	297	279	275	270
Prices paid:																
All commodities and services..... do.....	725	810	780	791	790	793	801	809	819	828	835	847	851	862	(*)	859
Production items..... do.....	722	803	778	789	784	784	791	799	813	824	830	838	840	851	854	859
All commodities and services, interest, taxes, and wage rates (parity index)..... 1910-14=100..	850	956	926	937	937	940	948	956	967	976	982	990	994	1,016	1,020	1,027
Parity ratio \$..... do.....	71	64	65	62	60	61	61	65	66	67	66	67	67	65	65	63
CONSUMER PRICES ¶ (U.S. Department of Labor Indexes)																
Not Seasonally Adjusted																
ALL ITEMS, WAGE EARNERS AND CLERICAL WORKERS, REVISED (CPI-W) ¶..... 1967=100..	217.7	247.0	236.5	239.9	242.6	245.1	247.8	248.0	249.6	251.9	254.1	256.4	258.7	260.7	263.5	265.2
ALL ITEMS, ALL URBAN CONSUMERS (CPI-U) ¶..... 1967=100..	217.4	246.8	236.4	239.8	242.5	244.9	247.6	247.8	249.4	251.7	253.9	256.2	258.4	260.5	263.2	265.1
Special group indexes:																
All items less shelter..... do.....	210.8	235.5	226.6	229.6	231.7	233.4	234.9	236.4	238.5	241.0	242.1	243.6	245.2	247.6	251.2	253.3
All items less food..... do.....	213.0	244.0	235.5	237.1	239.9	242.6	245.5	246.3	248.6	250.9	253.2	255.5	257.6	260.4	262.3	263.7
All items less medical care..... do.....	216.1	245.5	235.0	238.4	241.1	243.6	246.4	246.5	248.1	250.4	252.6	254.9	257.1	259.2	261.9	263.7
Commodities..... do.....	208.4	233.9	225.2	228.0	229.9	231.4	232.8	234.1	236.7	239.0	240.7	242.5	243.8	245.4	248.3	249.8
Nondurables..... do.....	215.9	245.0	236.3	240.3	242.2	243.2	244.5	245.9	248.3	250.2	251.0	252.4	254.1	256.9	262.3	265.2
Nondurables less food..... do.....	198.7	235.2	227.3	232.6	234.6	235.5	236.3	236.6	237.8	239.3	239.6	240.5	242.0	245.3	253.2	257.5
Durables..... do.....	191.1	210.4	202.1	203.0	204.9	207.1	208.6	209.8	212.4	215.3	218.1	220.6	221.1	221.0	223.3	219.8
Commodities less food..... do.....	195.1	222.0	213.8	216.7	218.6	220.2	221.4	222.2	224.2	226.6	228.3	230.0	231.0	232.4	235.4	237.0
Services..... do.....	234.2	270.3	256.8	261.3	265.3	269.2	274.2	272.4	272.5	274.8	277.9	280.9	284.7	287.7	290.1	292.5
Services less rent..... do.....	244.9	285.1	270.2	275.4	280.0	284.4	290.0	287.6	287.4	289.8	293.2	296.4	300.7	304.2	306.9	309.5
Food #..... do.....	234.5	254.6	244.9	247.3	249.1	250.4	252.0	254.8	258.7	261.1	262.4	264.5	266.4	268.6	270.8	272.2
Food at home *..... do.....	232.9	251.5	241.3	243.6	245.3	246.5	248.0	251.5	256.3	258.9	260.0	262.1	263.9	265.6	267.3	268.6
Housing..... do.....	227.6	263.3	250.5	254.5	257.9	261.7	266.7	265.1	265.8	267.7	271.1	273.8	276.9	279.1	280.9	282.6
Shelter #..... do.....	239.7	281.7	267.2	271.6	276.0	280.2	286.3	282.9	283.3	285.3	290.4	294.7	298.5	300.1	300.5	301.6
Rent..... do.....	176.0	191.6	185.6	186.6	187.0	188.9	191.1	192.1	193.2	195.1	197.1	198.3	199.6	200.9	201.9	203.0
Homeownership..... do.....	262.4	314.0	296.3	302.0	307.7	312.9	320.4	315.4	315.4	317.6	323.8	329.4	334.2	335.8	335.8	336.8
Fuel and utilities #..... do.....	239.3	278.6	263.8	268.0	270.5	275.9	282.2	285.5	286.8	288.2	287.6	285.7	289.9	296.7	304.5	308.4
Fuel oil, coal, and bottled gas..... do.....	403.1	556.0	539.1	553.4	556.4	556.0	558.7	560.4	561.5	561.5	558.7	567.0	565.3	565.9	575.6	593.4
Gas (piped) and electricity..... do.....	257.8	301.8	278.8	284.0	288.0	298.2	308.8	314.3	316.1	318.4	317.1	310.5	313.9	318.5	322.9	326.7
Household furnishings and operation..... do.....	190.3	205.4	199.0	201.3	203.0	204.2	205.5	206.2	207.2	209.2	210.1	211.0	211.6	212.6	214.9	216.9
Apparel and upkeep..... do.....	166.6	178.4	171.9	176.0	177.3	177.5	177.2	176.2	178.6	182.2	183.9	184.8	183.9	181.1	182.0	185.1
Transportation..... do.....	212.0	249.7	239.6	243.7	246.8	249.0	249.7	251.0	252.7	254.7	256.1	259.0	261.1	264.7	270.9	273.5
Private..... do.....	212.3	249.2	239.8	244.0	247.0	249.2	249.7	250.5	251.6	253.2	254.5	257.4	259.4	262.9	269.4	271.7
New cars..... do.....	166.0	179.3	175.3	175.0	177.0	178.9	178.5	179.2	181.1	181.7	181.9	184.3	184.5	185.3	184.8	182.9
Used cars..... do.....	201.0	208.1	195.3	195.2	196.7	199.3	200.7	203.4	206.4	214.6	222.7	230.8	234.4	234.0	234.3	235.4
Public..... do.....	200.3	251.6	229.5	232.1	235.9	239.5	242.2	250.5	261.5	271.0	273.6	277.0	280.1	286.4	288.1	293.9
Medical care..... do.....	239.7	265.9	257.9	260.2	262.0	263.4	264.7	266.6	268.4	270.6	272.8	274.5	275.8	279.5	282.6	284.7
Seasonally Adjusted †																
All items, percent change from previous month..... 1967=100..			1.3	1.3	0.9	0.9	1.0	0.1	0.8	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.0	0.7	1.0	0.6
Commodities..... do.....			226.1	228.6	229.7	230.7	231.6	233.0	235.9	238.9	241.1	243.5	245.2	246.6	249.2	250.5
Commodities less food..... do.....			214.9	217.5	218.5	219.5	220.3	221.3	223.4	225.9	228.0	230.0	231.3	233.6	236.8	238.1
Food..... do.....			244.9	247.0	248.3	249.3	250.5	252.9	257.6	262.0	264.4	267.6	270.2	269.8	270.6	271.6
Food at home..... do.....			240.8	243.0	244.0	244.9	245.8	248.7	254.6	259.8	262.2	265.6	268.0	266.9	266.8	267.9
Apparel and upkeep..... do.....			173.7	176.6	176.9	176.8	177.1	178.1	179.4	180.9	182.1	182.8	182.8	182.5	184.0	185.8
Transportation..... do.....			241.6	245.7	247.1	247.9	247.3	248.2	250.4	254.0	256.6	259.9	262.4	267.0	273.4	275.9
Private..... do.....			242.1	246.2	247.4	248.1	247.3	247.7	249.4	252.6	255.1	258.4	260.9	265.3	272.0	274.2
New cars..... do.....			173.9	174.7	176.7	178.3	178.4	179.9	182.6	184.9	183.3	183.5	183.3	183.3	183.3	182.5
Services..... do.....			257.2	261.6	265.5	269.4	274.1	272.4	272.7	274.6	277.9	281.5	285.5	288.0	290.3	292.2