

## SURVEY OF CURRENT BUSINESS

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Unless otherwise stated in footnotes below, data through 1972 and descriptive notes are as shown in the 1973 edition of BUSINESS STATISTICS	1972	1973	1973												1974	
	Annual		Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.
			GENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORS—Continued													
MANUFACTURERS' SALES, INVENTORIES, AND ORDERS—Continued																
Inventories, end of year or month—Continued																
Book value (seasonally adjusted)—Continued																
By market category:																
Home goods and apparel.....mil. \$	11,852	13,231	11,929	12,208	12,404	12,299	12,426	12,586	12,707	12,842	12,929	13,146	13,065	13,231	13,319	
Consumer staples.....do	14,373	16,024	14,374	14,474	14,575	14,613	14,849	14,976	15,254	15,345	15,417	15,638	15,808	16,024	16,099	
Equip. and defense prod., excl. auto.....do	27,251	31,140	27,452	27,656	27,931	28,237	28,338	28,680	28,912	29,464	29,820	30,302	30,582	31,140	31,480	
Automotive equipment.....do	6,081	7,305	6,097	6,152	6,264	6,323	6,432	6,753	6,708	6,749	7,084	7,021	7,038	7,305	7,401	
Construction materials and supplies.....do	8,931	10,220	8,942	8,950	9,062	9,044	9,235	9,378	9,446	9,590	9,760	9,764	10,019	10,220	10,246	
Other materials and supplies.....do	39,231	42,950	39,393	39,642	39,938	40,061	40,345	40,652	40,883	40,917	41,104	41,353	41,923	42,950	43,551	
Supplementary series:																
Household durables.....do	5,562	6,263	5,613	5,746	5,779	5,758	5,870	5,904	5,936	5,998	6,065	6,210	6,112	6,263	6,358	
Capital goods industries <sup>1</sup> .....do	30,771	35,103	31,087	31,345	31,677	31,931	32,101	32,490	32,740	33,351	33,691	34,200	34,541	35,103	35,482	
Nondefense.....do	25,684	29,488	25,877	26,097	26,411	26,547	26,717	27,013	27,306	27,796	28,163	28,669	29,033	29,488	29,801	
Defense.....do	5,087	5,615	5,210	5,248	5,266	5,384	5,384	5,477	5,434	5,555	5,528	5,531	5,508	5,615	5,681	
New orders, net (not seas. adj.), total.....do	1762,170	1895,626	166,527	173,046	176,638	174,476	174,318	178,486	170,068	173,233	176,978	170,349	178,917	173,500	177,438	
Durable goods industries, total.....do	418,400	502,768	37,657	41,467	43,926	42,241	42,341	44,914	39,411	39,737	42,703	44,517	43,845	40,009	41,292	145,378
Non-durable goods industries, total.....do	343,770	392,858	28,870	31,579	32,712	32,235	31,977	33,572	30,657	33,496	34,275	34,832	35,072	33,581	35,120	
New orders, net (seas. adj.), total.....do	762,170	895,626	70,016	71,022	72,806	73,325	74,535	75,361	75,145	76,113	75,129	77,758	79,441	76,811	80,928	
By industry group:																
Durable goods industries, total <sup>2</sup> .....do	418,400	502,768	39,218	39,765	41,021	41,341	42,449	43,016	42,697	42,689	42,259	44,037	44,315	41,546	42,453	143,439
Primary metals.....do	60,143	78,642	5,694	6,015	6,500	6,656	7,042	7,015	6,658	7,150	6,325	6,868	6,730	6,597	5,595	16,529
Blast furnaces, steel mills.....do	29,813	39,913	2,819	3,061	3,459	3,604	3,729	3,817	3,493	3,912	3,068	3,309	3,109	3,014	2,935	
Nonferrous metals.....do	21,670	27,436	2,047	2,138	2,146	2,147	2,316	2,232	2,219	2,296	2,338	2,516	2,582	2,557	2,928	
Fabricated metal products.....do	48,075	57,881	4,449	4,635	4,556	4,488	4,861	4,672	5,008	4,903	4,982	5,135	4,997	5,237	5,276	
Machinery, except electrical.....do	63,779	80,432	6,116	6,093	6,443	6,411	6,544	6,719	6,902	6,647	6,922	7,174	7,313	7,308	7,231	
Electrical machinery.....do	57,171	67,473	5,320	5,496	5,727	5,710	5,696	5,682	5,676	5,701	5,587	5,816	5,788	5,399	6,439	
Transportation equipment.....do	109,377	128,169	10,657	10,203	10,281	10,503	10,739	11,329	10,980	10,948	10,978	11,368	11,573	9,218	10,283	19,874
Aircraft, missiles, and parts.....do	29,615	78,811	2,889	2,727	2,674	2,678	3,068	3,269	2,698	2,867	3,063	3,156	2,893	2,307	3,259	
Non-durable goods industries, total.....do	343,770	392,858	30,798	31,257	31,785	31,984	32,086	32,345	32,448	33,424	32,870	33,721	35,126	35,265	37,396	
Industries with unfilled orders <sup>3</sup> .....do	89,291	99,484	7,919	8,009	8,081	8,301	8,417	8,186	8,242	8,370	8,260	8,465	8,687	8,601	9,351	
Industries without unfilled orders <sup>4</sup> .....do	254,479	293,374	22,879	23,248	23,704	23,683	23,669	24,159	24,206	25,054	24,610	25,256	26,489	26,664	28,045	
By market category:																
Home goods and apparel.....do	271,896	280,983	6,393	6,694	6,707	6,858	6,695	6,778	6,642	6,491	6,732	6,948	7,274	6,858	7,204	
Consumer staples.....do	216,254	216,960	12,964	13,146	13,533	13,565	13,561	13,738	13,846	14,480	13,926	14,488	14,911	14,749	15,339	
Equip. and defense prod., excl. auto.....do	108,318	131,581	10,205	10,100	10,734	10,903	11,097	11,520	10,753	10,939	11,107	11,203	12,253	11,221	12,506	
Automotive equipment.....do	80,305	93,479	7,913	7,655	7,577	7,523	7,746	7,708	8,322	8,060	8,105	8,307	8,018	6,887	7,318	
Construction materials and supplies.....do	264,323	276,200	5,895	6,118	6,190	6,017	6,423	6,240	6,406	6,417	6,458	6,630	6,558	6,897	6,644	
Other materials and supplies.....do	229,984	234,623	26,646	27,309	28,075	28,459	29,013	29,377	29,176	29,726	28,801	30,182	30,427	30,199	31,917	
Supplementary series:																
Household durables.....do	231,645	236,761	2,751	3,061	3,033	3,077	3,007	3,078	3,154	2,996	3,055	3,220	3,358	3,015	3,168	13,117
Capital goods industries <sup>1</sup> .....do	128,461	153,669	12,037	11,830	12,461	12,571	12,768	13,590	12,603	12,887	12,832	13,488	14,124	12,912	14,124	14,651
Nondefense.....do	107,790	132,444	10,277	10,105	10,572	10,619	10,919	11,415	11,404	11,032	11,267	11,595	11,970	11,569	11,746	12,549
Defense.....do	20,671	21,225	1,760	1,725	1,889	1,952	1,849	2,175	1,199	1,855	1,565	1,893	2,154	1,343	2,378	12,102
Unfilled orders, end of year or month (unadjusted), total.....mil. \$	85,314	114,623	88,077	90,788	94,583	97,044	98,772	100,983	103,699	106,104	107,800	110,076	112,600	114,623	118,350	
Durable goods industries, total.....do	81,345	109,886	83,941	86,422	90,020	92,316	93,950	96,222	98,995	101,441	103,198	105,436	107,921	109,886	113,411	117,077
Non-dur. goods ind. with unfilled orders <sup>5</sup> .....do	3,969	4,737	4,136	4,366	4,563	4,728	4,822	4,761	4,704	4,663	4,602	4,640	4,679	4,737	5,000	
Unfilled orders, end of year or month (seasonally adjusted), total.....mil. \$	86,020	115,785	87,635	89,142	92,499	95,354	98,602	102,355	104,246	107,344	109,410	111,897	114,324	115,785	117,662	
By industry group:																
Durable goods industries, total <sup>2</sup> .....do	81,986	110,953	83,431	85,074	88,031	90,719	93,882	97,647	99,560	102,621	104,716	107,185	109,606	110,953	112,616	115,146
Primary metals.....do	7,964	14,344	8,209	8,572	9,438	10,623	11,954	13,181	13,815	14,798	14,857	14,996	14,934	14,844	14,033	13,731
Blast furnaces, steel mills.....do	5,008	9,884	5,076	5,317	5,992	7,000	8,025	9,089	9,658	10,540	10,459	10,309	10,051	9,884	8,666	
Nonferrous metals.....do	1,861	2,787	1,999	2,106	2,219	2,305	2,506	2,560	2,534	2,528	2,582	2,730	2,816	2,787	3,055	
Fabricated metal products.....do	10,926	15,122	11,111	11,297	11,523	11,650	12,024	12,285	12,686	13,206	13,842	14,329	14,614	15,122	15,500	
Machinery, except electrical.....do	14,917	22,002	15,349	15,807	16,432	16,866	17,365	17,926	18,587	19,118	19,798	20,621	21,321	22,002	22,462	
Electrical machinery.....do	15,748	19,718	15,983	16,338	16,850	17,166	17,566	17,984	18,256	18,610	18,857	19,300	19,706	19,718	20,593	
Transportation equipment.....do	26,107	31,446	26,505	26,690	27,206	27,604	28,025	29,126	28,932	29,598	29,878	30,437	31,385	31,446	32,279	32,783
Aircraft, missiles, and parts.....do	18,010	19,488	18,198	18,330	18,617	18,497	18,663	19,009	18,748	19,003	19,148	19,648	19,765	19,488	19,868	
Non-dur. goods ind. with unfilled orders <sup>5</sup> .....do	4,034	4,332	4,204	4,338	4,468	4,635	4,720	4,708	4,686	4,723	4,694	4,712	4,718	4,832	5,103	
By market category:																
Home goods and apparel, consumer staples.....do	2,432	2,881	2,355	2,493	2,562	2,663	2,668	2,770	2,877							