

Table 5.—National Income and Product, 1953, 1954, and 1955

[Billions of dollars]

	1953	1954	1955	Unadjusted				Seasonally adjusted at annual rates							
				1955				1954				1955			
				I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV
NATIONAL INCOME BY DISTRIBUTIVE SHARES															
National income.....	303.6	299.7	322.3	76.4	80.3	82.0	297.7	298.9	298.7	303.2	311.4	320.7	325.7	-----	
Compensation of employees.....	209.2	207.9	221.3	52.6	54.6	56.1	57.9	206.7	207.2	207.8	209.8	213.1	219.5	224.3	228.0
Wages and salaries.....	198.5	196.2	208.5	49.4	51.4	52.9	54.8	195.2	195.6	196.1	198.1	200.8	207.0	211.3	214.7
Private.....	164.7	162.4	173.2	40.7	42.5	44.4	45.6	161.7	162.0	162.1	163.8	166.5	171.7	175.6	178.8
Military.....	10.3	9.5	9.1	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3	9.7	9.5	9.4	9.3	9.1	9.3	9.1	9.0
Government civilian.....	23.5	24.4	26.2	6.4	6.6	6.2	7.0	23.9	24.1	24.5	25.0	25.3	25.9	26.6	26.9
Supplements to wages and salaries.....	10.8	11.7	12.8	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.1	11.5	11.6	11.7	11.8	12.2	12.5	13.0	13.2
Proprietors' and rental income¹.....	48.4	48.4	49.1	12.2	12.2	12.2	12.5	49.0	48.2	48.3	48.2	48.8	48.7	48.8	50.1
Business and professional.....	25.9	25.9	27.3	6.6	6.8	6.9	7.0	25.3	25.9	26.0	26.3	26.6	27.1	27.6	28.0
Farm.....	12.3	12.0	11.1	2.9	2.7	2.6	2.9	13.2	11.9	11.7	11.2	11.5	11.0	10.6	11.4
Rental income of persons.....	10.3	10.5	10.7	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7	10.4	10.5	10.6	10.7	10.7	10.7	10.7	10.7
Corporate profits and inventory valuation adjustment.....	37.2	33.8	41.4	9.1	10.9	11.0	-----	32.6	34.0	33.1	35.5	39.6	42.2	41.9	-----
Corporate profits before tax.....	38.3	34.0	43.4	9.5	11.1	11.7	-----	32.7	33.7	33.5	36.0	40.9	43.0	44.5	-----
Corporate profits tax liability.....	21.3	17.1	21.8	4.7	5.6	5.9	-----	16.4	16.9	16.8	18.1	20.5	21.6	22.3	-----
Corporate profits after tax.....	17.0	17.0	21.6	4.7	5.5	5.8	-----	16.3	16.8	16.7	17.9	20.4	21.4	22.2	-----
Inventory valuation adjustment.....	-1.1	-2	-2.0	-3	-2	-7	-8	-2	2	-5	-5	-1.3	-8	-2.6	-3.1
Net interest.....	8.8	9.5	10.5	2.5	2.6	2.7	2.8	9.4	9.5	9.5	9.7	9.9	10.3	10.7	11.2
Addendum: Compensation of general government employees.....	31.6	31.8	33.3	8.2	8.4	8.0	8.7	31.4	31.5	31.9	32.2	32.3	33.1	33.7	34.0
GROSS NATIONAL PRODUCT OR EXPENDITURE															
Gross national product.....	364.5	360.5	387.2	91.4	95.2	97.4	103.1	358.3	357.6	358.8	367.1	375.3	384.8	392.0	397.3
Personal consumption expenditures.....	230.6	236.5	252.3	58.5	62.7	62.5	68.6	232.2	235.1	237.9	241.0	245.8	250.5	255.7	257.2
Durable goods.....	29.8	29.3	35.3	7.8	9.1	8.7	9.7	28.3	29.0	29.4	30.4	34.4	35.1	36.9	34.8
Nondurable goods.....	118.9	120.9	125.9	28.3	30.9	31.0	35.7	119.2	120.4	121.5	122.5	122.4	125.3	127.0	128.8
Services.....	81.8	86.4	91.2	22.4	22.7	22.8	23.2	84.7	85.7	87.0	88.1	89.0	90.2	91.8	93.6
Gross private domestic investment.....	51.4	47.2	59.3	14.6	13.8	16.0	14.9	45.5	46.9	45.9	50.7	54.1	60.1	60.5	63.2
New construction.....	25.8	27.8	32.4	6.7	8.2	9.1	8.3	25.9	27.3	28.5	29.4	31.2	32.6	33.2	32.3
Residential nonfarm.....	11.9	13.5	16.6	3.3	4.3	4.7	4.2	11.8	13.0	14.2	15.0	16.1	16.9	17.2	16.2
Other.....	13.8	14.3	15.8	3.4	3.9	4.4	4.1	14.1	14.3	14.3	14.4	15.1	15.7	16.0	16.2
Producers' durable equipment.....	24.4	22.3	23.8	5.2	6.2	6.0	6.3	22.9	22.4	22.2	21.9	21.5	23.2	24.9	25.5
Change in business inventories—total.....	1.2	-2.9	3.2	2.7	-6	9	3	-3.2	-2.7	-4.9	-6	1.5	4.3	2.4	5.3
Nonfarm only.....	1.9	-3.2	3.0	2.7	-6	8	2	-3.4	-3.2	-5.4	-1.0	1.5	4.2	2.0	5.1
Net foreign investment.....	-2.0	-3	-4	-1	-2	-3	2	-1.1	-3	-7	9	-4	-7	0	-3
Government purchases of goods and services.....	84.5	77.0	75.9	18.4	18.9	19.2	19.4	81.7	75.9	75.8	74.5	75.8	74.9	75.8	77.2
Federal.....	59.5	49.2	45.8	11.6	11.3	11.4	11.6	54.7	48.6	47.7	45.7	46.4	45.2	45.5	46.3
National security.....	51.4	43.2	40.8	10.3	10.1	10.2	10.3	46.8	43.6	42.1	40.5	41.2	40.4	40.6	41.0
National defense.....	49.4	41.4	38.8	9.7	9.6	9.7	9.8	45.0	42.0	40.3	38.5	38.7	38.5	39.0	39.2
Other national security.....	2.0	1.8	2.0	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.5	1.8	1.5	1.8	2.0	2.5	1.9	1.7	1.9
Other.....	8.5	6.3	5.4	1.4	1.3	1.3	1.4	8.3	5.4	6.1	5.5	5.5	5.2	5.2	5.5
Less: Government sales.....	4	4	3	1	1	1	1	4	4	4	3	3	3	3	3
State and local.....	25.0	27.8	30.1	6.8	7.6	7.8	7.9	27.0	27.3	28.1	28.7	29.4	29.7	30.2	31.0
DISPOSITION OF PERSONAL INCOME															
Personal income.....	286.2	287.6	303.3	72.4	74.7	76.5	79.7	285.8	286.6	287.3	290.8	293.6	300.5	306.1	312.1
Less: Personal tax and nontax payments.....	35.8	32.8	33.9	9.7	9.3	8.6	6.3	32.7	32.7	32.8	33.1	32.6	33.4	34.4	35.4
Federal.....	32.4	29.1	30.0	8.6	8.2	7.7	5.5	29.1	29.1	29.1	29.3	28.8	29.5	30.4	31.3
State and local.....	3.4	3.7	3.9	1.2	1.0	0.9	0.8	3.6	3.6	3.7	3.8	3.8	3.9	4.0	4.1
Equals: Disposable personal income.....	250.4	254.8	269.4	62.7	65.5	67.9	73.4	253.1	253.9	254.5	257.8	261.0	267.1	271.7	276.6
Less: Personal consumption expenditures.....	230.6	236.5	252.3	58.5	62.7	62.5	68.6	232.2	235.1	237.9	241.0	245.8	250.5	255.7	257.2
Equals: Personal saving.....	19.8	18.3	17.1	4.1	2.8	5.4	4.7	21.0	18.8	16.6	16.8	15.3	16.6	16.0	19.4
RELATION OF GROSS NATIONAL PRODUCT, NATIONAL INCOME, AND PERSONAL INCOME															
Gross national product.....	364.5	360.5	387.2	91.4	95.2	97.4	103.1	358.3	357.6	358.8	367.1	375.3	384.8	392.0	397.3
Less: Capital consumption allowances.....	27.8	30.0	32.3	7.8	8.0	8.2	8.4	29.2	29.6	30.4	30.9	31.2	31.9	32.7	33.5
Indirect business tax and nontax liability.....	30.2	30.3	31.9	7.6	7.9	8.2	8.2	29.9	30.4	30.0	30.7	31.1	31.7	32.2	32.6
Business transfer payments.....	1.2	1.2	1.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2
Statistical discrepancy.....	1.3	-8	-1	-6	-1.2	-1.2	-----	-1	-2.3	-1.5	7	7	-2	8	-----
Plus: Subsidies less current surplus of government enterprises.....	-4	-1	5	1	1	2	1	-4	3	0	-3	3	4	6	5
Equals: National income.....	303.6	299.7	322.3	76.4	80.3	82.0	-----	297.7	298.9	298.7	303.2	311.4	320.7	325.7	-----
Less: Corporate profits and inventory valuation adjustment.....	37.2	33.8	41.4	9.1	10.9	11.0	-----	32.6	34.0	33.1	35.5	39.6	42.2	41.9	-----
Contributions for social insurance.....	8.7	9.6	11.0	2.9	2.9	2.7	2.4	9.7	9.6	9.6	9.6	10.5	10.8	11.2	11.4
Excess of wage accruals over disbursements.....	-1	0	0	0	1	-1	0	0	0	0	0	1	4	-6	0
Plus: Government transfer payments.....	12.8	15.0	16.0	4.1	4.1	3.9	4.0	14.3	15.1	15.0	15.7	15.9	16.2	15.7	15.9
Net interest paid by government.....	5.0	5.2	5.0	1.1	1.5	1.3	1.2	5.1	5.2	5.2	5.2	5.1	5.0	5.0	5.0
Dividends.....	9.3	10.0	11.2	2.6	2.5	2.6	3.5	9.7	9.8	10.0	10.6	10.2	10.7	11.0	12.2
Business transfer payments.....	1.2	1.2	1.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2
Equals: Personal income.....	286.2	287.6	303.3	72.4	74.7	76.5	79.7	285.8	286.6	287.3	290.8	293.6	300.5	306.1	312.1

1. Includes noncorporate inventory valuation adjustment. Source: U. S. Department of Commerce, Office of Business Economics.

Monthly BUSINESS STATISTICS



THE STATISTICS here are a continuation of the data published in BUSINESS STATISTICS, the 1955 Statistical Supplement to the SURVEY OF CURRENT BUSINESS. That volume (price \$2.00) contains monthly data for the years 1951 through 1954 and monthly averages for earlier years back to 1929 insofar as available; it also provides a description of each series and references to sources of monthly figures prior to 1951. Series added or revised since publication of the 1955 Supplement are indicated by an asterisk (*) and a dagger (†), respectively, the accompanying footnote indicating where historical data and a descriptive note may be found. In most instances, the terms "unadjusted" and "adjusted" used to designate index numbers and dollar values refer to adjustment of monthly figures for seasonal variation.

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Unless otherwise stated, statistics through 1954 and descriptive notes are shown in the 1955 edition of BUSINESS STATISTICS	1955												1956	
	December	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	January
GENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORS														
NATIONAL INCOME AND PRODUCT														
Seasonally adjusted quarterly totals at annual rates:														
National income, total..... bil. of dol.	303.2			311.4			320.7			325.7				
Compensation of employees, total..... do.	209.8			213.1			219.5			224.3				228.0
Wages and salaries, total..... do.	198.1			200.8			207.0			211.3				214.7
Private..... do.	163.8			166.5			171.7			175.6				178.8
Military..... do.	9.3			9.1			9.3			9.1				9.0
Government civilian..... do.	25.0			25.3			25.9			26.6				26.9
Supplements to wages and salaries..... do.	11.8			12.2			12.5			13.0				13.2
Proprietors' and rental income, total [♂] do.	48.2			48.8			48.7			48.8				50.1
Business and professional [♂] do.	26.3			26.6			27.1			27.6				28.0
Farm..... do.	11.2			11.5			11.0			10.6				11.4
Rental income of persons..... do.	10.7			10.7			10.7			10.7				10.7
Corporate profits and inventory valuation adjustment, total..... bil. of dol.	35.5			39.6			42.2			41.9				
Corporate profits before tax, total..... do.	36.0			40.9			43.0			44.5				
Corporate profits tax liability..... do.	18.1			20.5			21.6			22.3				
Corporate profits after tax..... do.	17.9			20.4			21.4			22.2				
Inventory valuation adjustment..... do.	- .5			-1.3			- .8			-2.6				-3.1
Net interest..... do.	9.7			9.9			10.3			10.7				11.2
Gross national product, total..... do.	367.1			375.3			384.8			392.0				397.3
Personal consumption expenditures, total..... do.	241.0			245.8			250.5			255.7				257.2
Durable goods..... do.	30.4			34.4			35.1			36.9				34.8
Nondurable goods..... do.	122.5			122.4			125.3			127.0				128.8
Services..... do.	88.1			89.0			90.2			91.8				93.6
Gross private domestic investment, total..... do.	50.7			54.1			60.1			60.5				63.2
New construction..... do.	29.4			31.2			32.6			33.2				32.3
Producers' durable equipment..... do.	21.9			21.5			23.2			24.9				25.5
Change in business inventories..... do.	- .6			1.3			4.3			2.4				5.3
Net foreign investment..... do.	.9			- .4			- .7			.0				- .3
Government purchases of goods and services, total..... bil. of dol.	74.5			75.8			74.9			75.8				77.2
Federal (less Government sales)..... do.	45.7			46.4			45.2			45.5				46.3
National security [♀] do.	40.5			41.2			40.4			40.6				41.0
State and local..... do.	28.7			29.4			29.7			30.2				31.0
Personal income, total..... do.	290.8			293.6			300.5			306.1				312.1
Less: Personal tax and nontax payments..... do.	33.1			32.6			33.4			34.4				35.4
Equals: Disposable personal income..... do.	257.8			261.0			267.1			271.7				276.6
Personal saving [§] do.	16.8			15.3			16.6			16.0				19.4
PERSONAL INCOME, BY SOURCE														
Seasonally adjusted, at annual rates:														
Total personal income..... bil. of dol.	293.4	292.2	293.2	295.7	298.9	301.4	301.6	305.3	305.3	307.9	309.2	† 312.0		315.0
Wage and salary disbursements, total..... do.	198.8	199.3	200.3	202.6	204.6	207.3	208.0	212.4	211.2	212.4	213.3	† 215.3		215.7
Commodity-producing industries..... do.	84.8	85.4	86.3	87.8	88.9	90.6	90.9	91.7	91.5	92.2	92.8	† 94.0		94.1
Distributive industries..... do.	53.1	52.9	53.0	53.6	53.6	54.5	54.9	55.7	56.1	56.4	56.4	† 56.8		57.0
Service industries..... do.	26.6	26.8	26.7	27.0	27.2	27.4	27.4	27.8	27.9	28.0	28.2	† 28.5		28.6
Government..... do.	34.3	34.2	34.3	34.2	34.9	34.8	34.8	37.2	35.7	35.8	35.9	† 36.0		36.0
Other labor income..... do.	6.7	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.9	6.9	6.9	7.0	7.0	7.1	7.1	† 7.1		7.2
Proprietors' and rental income..... do.	48.9	49.1	48.8	48.5	49.0	48.8	48.5	47.9	48.8	49.7	49.8	† 50.2		50.2
Personal interest income and dividends..... do.	26.5	25.0	25.3	25.5	25.9	26.1	26.3	26.4	26.7	27.1	27.4	† 27.6		29.9
Transfer payments..... do.	17.1	17.0	17.0	17.4	17.6	17.5	17.1	16.9	16.9	16.9	16.9	† 17.1		17.4
Less personal contributions for social insurance..... bil. of dol.	4.6	5.0	5.0	5.1	5.1	5.2	5.2	5.3	5.3	5.3	5.3	5.3		5.4
Total nonagricultural income..... do.	278.1	276.5	277.7	280.9	283.7	286.6	287.2	291.7	290.8	293.0	294.4	† 296.6		299.8

† Revised.

♂ Includes inventory valuation adjustment. ♀ Government sales are not deducted.

§ Personal saving is excess of disposable income over personal consumption expenditures shown as a component of gross national product above.