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TOTAL OUTPUT, INCOME, AND SPENDING

THE NATION'S INCOME, EXPENDITURE, AND SAVING

Gross national product rose $5 billion to $633.5 billion (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in the fourth quarter of 1964, according to preliminary estimates. All major components, except net exports, showed some gain.

[Billions of dollars; quarterly data at seasonally adjusted annual rates]

Period	Persons			Business			International				
	Disposable personal income [1]	Personal consumption expenditures	Personal saving (+) or dissaving (−)	Gross retained earnings [2]	Gross private domestic investment [3]	Excess of investment (−)	Foreign net transfers by Government	Net exports of goods and services			Excess of transfers (+) or of net exports (−) [4]
								Net exports	Exports	Imports	
1955	274.4	256.9	17.5	42.1	63.8	−21.8	1.5	1.1	19.4	18.3	0.4
1956	292.9	269.9	23.0	43.0	67.4	−24.3	1.5	2.9	23.1	20.2	−1.5
1957	308.8	285.2	23.6	45.6	66.1	−20.5	1.5	4.9	26.2	21.3	−3.5
1958	317.9	293.2	24.7	44.8	56.6	−11.9	1.3	1.2	22.7	21.5	.1
1959	337.1	313.5	23.6	51.3	72.7	−21.4	1.5	−.8	22.9	23.6	2.3
1960	349.9	328.2	21.7	50.7	71.8	−21.1	1.6	3.0	26.3	23.3	−1.4
1961	364.7	337.3	27.3	51.2	68.8	−17.6	1.6	4.6	27.6	23.0	−3.0
1962	384.6	356.8	27.8	57.5	79.1	−21.7	1.6	4.0	29.2	25.2	−2.4
1963	402.5	375.0	27.5	59.1	82.0	−22.9	1.6	4.4	30.7	26.3	−2.8
1964 [5]	431.8	399.2	32.6	65.0	87.7	−22.6	1.8	6.7	34.9	28.2	−5.0
1963: III	404.4	377.4	27.0	60.2	82.8	−22.6	1.6	4.2	31.0	26.8	−2.6
IV	411.2	381.3	29.9	59.7	87.1	−27.4	1.7	5.8	32.6	26.9	−4.1
1964: I	419.5	390.0	29.5	64.1	85.9	−21.8	1.5	7.7	34.5	26.8	−6.2
II	430.2	396.1	34.0	65.2	87.2	−22.0	1.6	5.7	33.7	27.9	−4.1
III	435.6	404.6	31.0	65.9	87.3	−21.4	1.7	7.0	35.7	28.7	−5.2
IV [5]	442.0	406.2	35.9	--------	90.5	--------	2.2	6.5	35.7	29.2	−4.3

Period	Government							Total income or receipts	Statistical discrepancy	Gross national product or expenditure
	Net receipts			Expenditures			Surplus (+) or deficit (−) on income and product account			
	Net receipts	Tax and nontax receipts or accruals	Transfers, interest, and subsidies [6]	Purchases of goods and services	Total expenditures	Transfers, interest, and subsidies [6]				
1955	78.4	101.4	23.0	75.6	98.6	23.0	2.9	396.5	1.0	397.5
1956	84.2	109.5	25.3	79.0	104.3	25.3	5.2	421.6	−2.4	419.2
1957	87.5	116.3	28.7	86.5	115.3	28.7	1.0	443.4	−.6	442.8
1958	82.0	115.1	33.1	93.5	126.6	33.1	−11.4	446.0	−1.5	444.5
1959	95.7	130.2	34.4	97.2	131.6	34.4	−1.5	485.7	−3.0	482.7
1960	103.5	140.6	37.1	99.6	136.7	37.1	3.9	505.6	−3.0	502.6
1961	103.8	145.6	41.8	108.0	149.8	41.8	−4.2	521.2	−2.6	518.7
1962	114.4	157.8	43.4	116.3	159.8	43.4	−1.9	558.0	−1.8	556.2
1963	123.4	168.9	45.4	122.6	168.0	45.4	.9	586.7	−2.7	583.9
1964 [5]	125.7	173.3	47.5	128.7	176.2	47.5	−2.9	624.4	−2.1	622.3
1963: III	124.5	169.7	45.2	122.8	168.0	45.2	1.7	590.7	−3.5	587.2
IV	128.1	174.0	45.9	124.8	170.7	45.9	3.3	600.8	−1.8	599.0
1964: I	125.2	172.7	47.5	125.2	172.7	47.5	(7)	610.4	−1.6	608.8
II	124.1	171.1	47.0	129.6	176.6	47.0	−5.5	621.0	−2.4	618.6
III	126.6	173.9	47.3	129.5	176.9	47.3	−3.0	629.8	−1.4	628.4
IV [5]	--------	--------	48.2	130.3	178.5	48.2	--------	--------	--------	633.5

[1] Personal income (p. 5) less personal taxes and nontax payments (fines, penalties, etc.).

[2] Undistributed corporate profits, corporate inventory valuation adjustment, capital consumption allowances, and excess of wage accruals over disbursements. Does not include retained earnings of unincorporated business which are included in disposable personal income.

[3] Private business investment, purchases of capital goods by private nonprofit institutions, and residential housing.

[4] Net foreign investment with sign changed.

[5] Preliminary estimates.

[6] Government transfer payments to persons, foreign net transfers by Government, net interest paid by government, and subsidies less current surplus of government enterprises.

[7] Less than $50 million.

NOTE.—Data for Alaska and Hawaii included beginning 1960.

Source: Department of Commerce.

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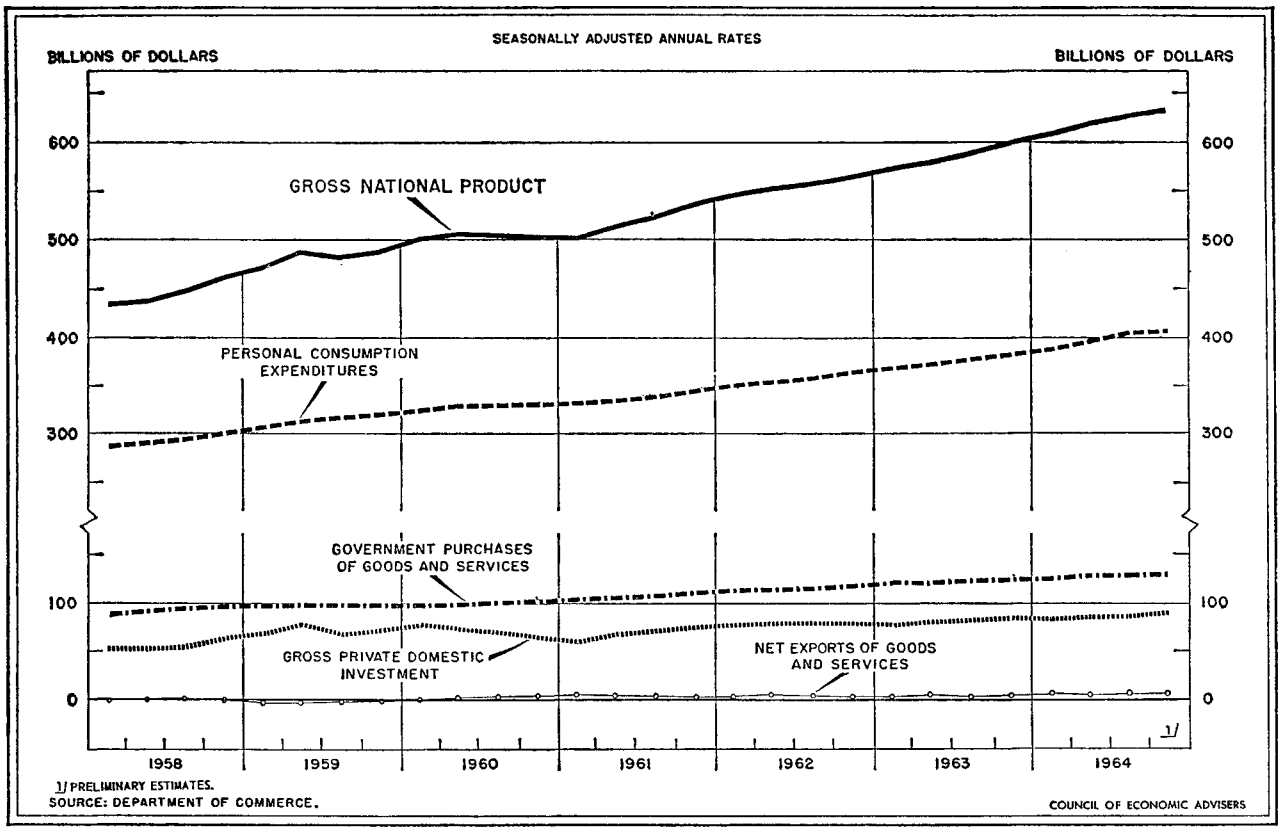
GROSS NATIONAL PRODUCT OR EXPENDITURE

Gross national product, seasonally adjusted, registered a gain of about 1 percent in the fourth quarter of 1964, as strikes curbed output and sales of new cars. After adjustment for price changes, the gain was about one-half of 1 percent.



Period	Total gross national product in 1964 prices	Total gross national product	Personal consumption expenditures	Gross private domestic investment	Net exports of goods and services	Government purchases of goods and services: Total	Federal: Total [1]	Federal: National defense [2]	Federal: Other	State and local	Implicit price deflator for total GNP, 1964=100 [3]
	Billions of dollars, quarterly data at seasonally adjusted annual rates										
1952	*429.0*	347.0	219.8	49.9	1.3	76.0	52.9	46.4	6.7	23.2	80.9
1953	*448.9*	365.4	232.6	50.3	—.4	82.8	58.0	49.3	9.0	24.9	81.4
1954	*439.8*	363.1	238.0	48.9	1.0	75.3	47.5	41.2	6.7	27.7	82.6
1955	*473.4*	397.5	256.9	63.8	1.1	75.6	45.3	39.1	6.6	30.3	84.0
1956	*483.5*	419.2	269.9	67.4	2.9	79.0	45.7	40.4	5.7	33.2	86.7
1957	*493.0*	442.8	285.2	66.1	4.9	86.5	49.7	44.4	5.7	36.8	89.8
1958	*486.0*	444.5	293.2	56.6	1.2	93.5	52.6	44.8	8.3	40.8	91.5
1959	*518.1*	482.7	313.5	72.7	—.8	97.2	53.6	46.2	7.9	43.6	93.2
1960	*531.2*	502.6	328.2	71.8	3.0	99.6	53.1	45.7	8.0	46.5	94.6
1961	*541.6*	518.7	337.3	68.8	4.6	108.0	57.4	49.0	8.9	50.6	95.8
1962	*575.7*	556.2	356.8	79.1	4.0	116.3	62.9	53.6	10.2	53.5	96.6
1963	*595.3*	583.9	375.0	82.0	4.4	122.6	64.7	55.2	10.3	57.9	98.1
1964 [4]	*622.3*	622.3	399.2	87.7	6.7	128.7	65.6	55.3	11.4	63.0	100.0
1963: III	*598.0*	587.2	377.4	82.8	4.2	122.8	64.4	55.5	9.5	58.4	98.2
IV	*606.2*	599.0	381.3	87.1	5.8	124.8	64.9	55.3	10.5	59.9	98.8
1964: I	*612.9*	608.8	390.0	85.9	7.7	125.2	64.3	54.0	11.5	60.9	99.3
II	*620.2*	618.6	396.1	87.2	5.7	129.6	67.1	57.0	11.0	62.5	99.7
III	*626.6*	628.4	404.6	87.3	7.0	129.5	65.5	55.2	11.2	64.1	100.3
IV [4]	*629.4*	633.5	406.2	90.5	6.5	130.3	65.7	55.1	11.8	64.6	100.7

[1] Less Government sales.
[2] Prior to 1959, this category corresponds closely with budget expenditures for national defense, shown on p. 35. Beginning with 1959, they differ because of inclusion of space program expenditures in this table; these expenditures, small in 1959–61, amounted to $4.3 billion in 1964.
[3] Gross national product in current prices divided by gross national product in 1964 prices.
[4] Preliminary estimates.

NOTE.—Data for Alaska and Hawaii included beginning 1960.
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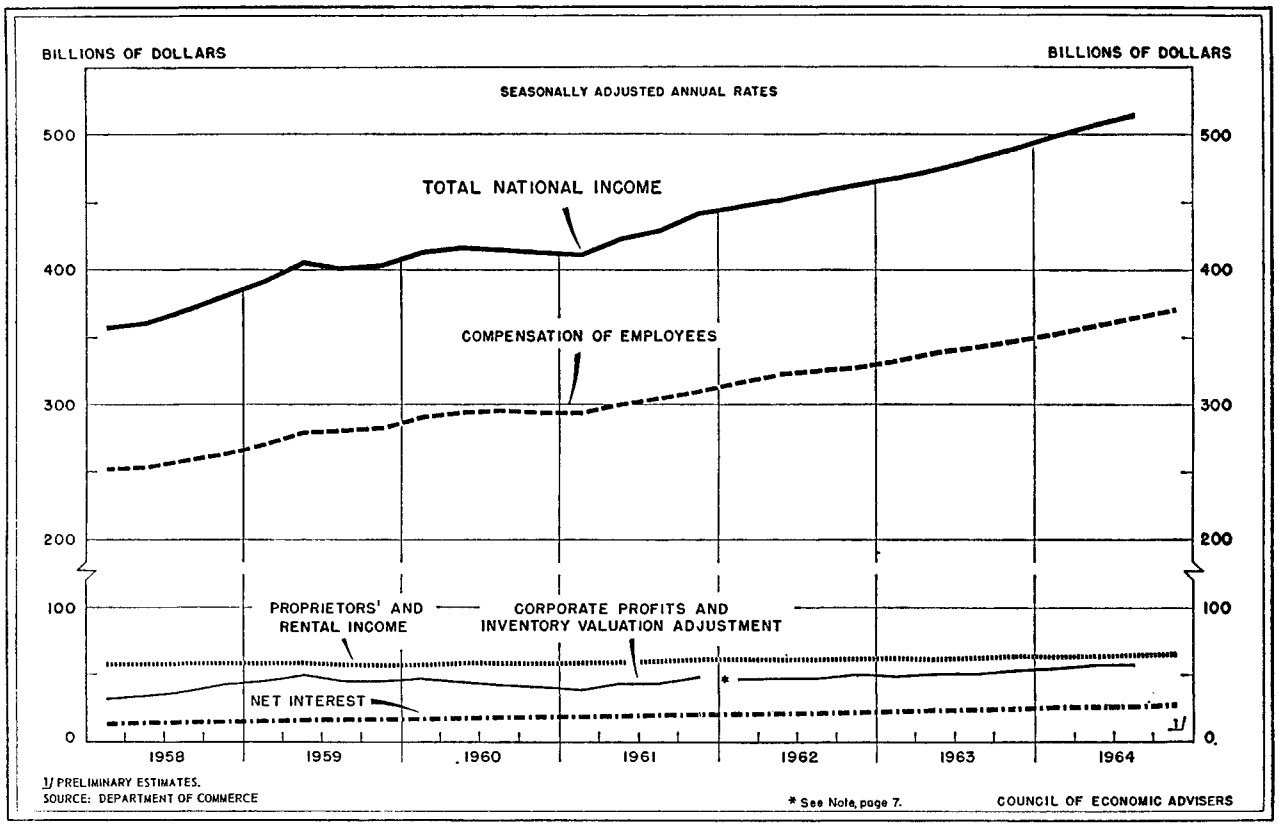
NATIONAL INCOME

Compensation of employees rose $5.8 billion, or 1.6 percent, to $370.6 billion (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in the fourth quarter of 1964. Rental, interest, and proprietors' incomes also increased.



[Billions of dollars, quarterly data at seasonally adjusted annual rates]

Period	Total national income	Compensation of employees [1]	Proprietors' income		Rental income of persons	Net interest	Corporate profits and inventory valuation adjustment [2]		
			Farm	Business and professional			Total	Profits before taxes [2]	Inventory valuation adjustment
1952	292.2	195.0	15.3	26.9	10.2	7.1	37.7	36.7	1.0
1953	305.6	208.8	13.3	27.4	10.5	8.2	37.3	38.3	−1.0
1954	301.8	207.6	12.7	27.8	10.9	9.1	33.7	34.1	−.3
1955	330.2	223.9	11.8	30.4	10.7	10.4	43.1	44.9	−1.7
1956	350.8	242.5	11.6	32.1	10.9	11.7	42.0	44.7	−2.7
1957	366.9	255.5	11.8	32.7	11.9	13.4	41.7	43.2	−1.5
1958	367.4	257.1	13.5	32.5	12.2	14.8	37.2	37.4	−.3
1959	400.5	278.5	11.4	35.1	11.9	16.4	47.2	47.7	−.5
1960	414.5	293.6	12.0	34.2	12.1	18.1	44.5	44.3	.2
1961	426.9	302.2	12.9	35.3	12.2	20.1	44.1	44.2	−.1
1962	455.6	323.1	13.2	36.6	12.2	22.1	48.4	48.2	.3
1963	478.5	340.3	13.0	37.6	12.3	24.4	50.8	51.3	−.4
1964 [3]	509.8	361.7	12.7	39.3	12.4	26.8	57.0	57.2	−.2
1963: III	481.9	342.7	12.9	37.8	12.4	24.7	51.4	51.3	.2
IV	490.0	347.7	13.2	38.3	12.4	25.4	53.1	54.3	−1.2
1964: I	498.4	352.5	12.6	38.6	12.4	25.9	56.4	56.6	−.2
II	507.1	358.6	12.6	39.1	12.4	26.5	57.9	57.9	−.1
III	514.5	364.8	12.6	39.6	12.4	27.1	58.1	58.0	.1
IV [3]	----------	370.6	12.9	39.9	12.5	27.6	--------	--------	----------

[1] Includes employer contributions for social insurance. (See also p. 4.)
[2] See Note, page 7.
[3] Preliminary estimates.

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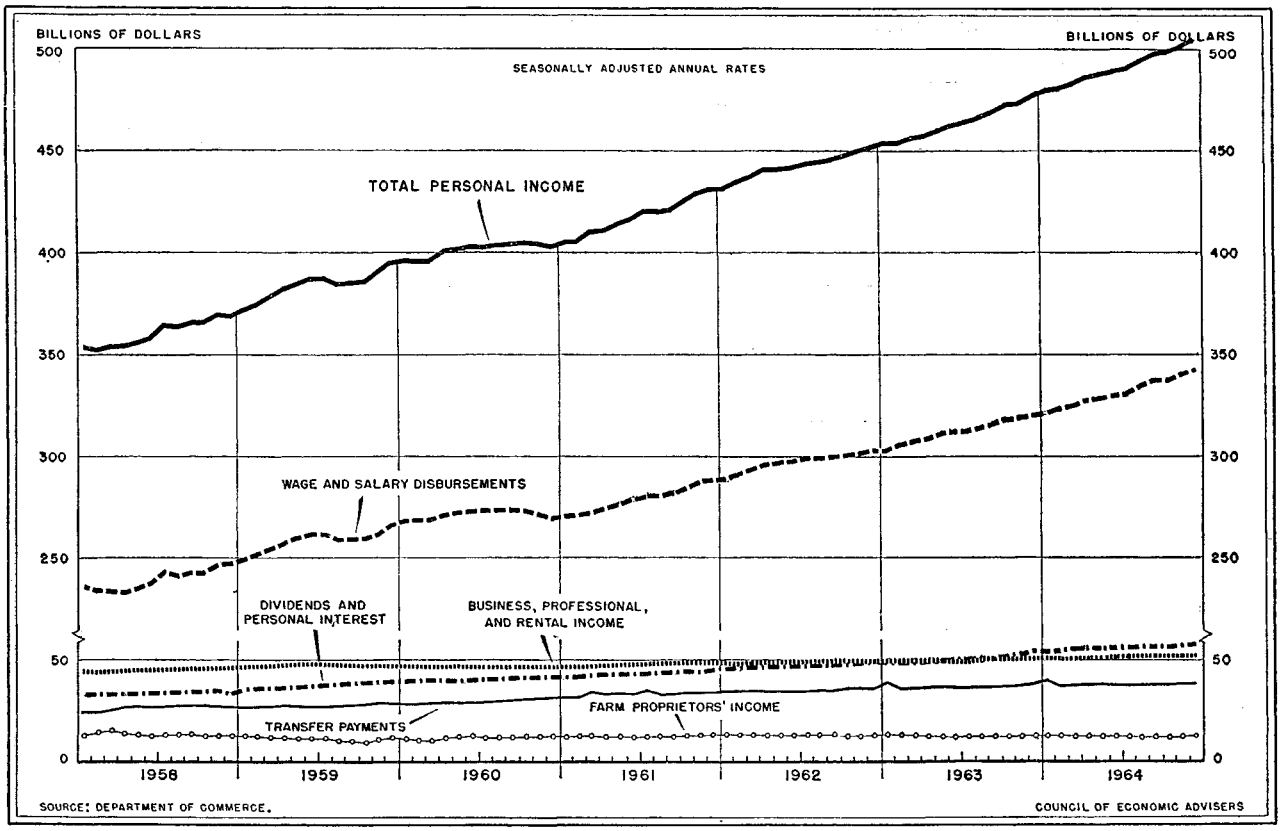
SOURCES OF PERSONAL INCOME

Personal income rose $3½ billion in December to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of $505.7 billion. Increases of $2 billion in wages and salaries and $¾ billion in dividends were largely responsible for the rise.



[Billions of dollars, monthly data at seasonally adjusted annual rates]

Period	Total personal income	Wage and salary disbursements [1]	Other labor income [2]	Proprietors' income		Rental income of persons	Dividends	Personal interest income	Transfer payments	Less: Personal contributions for social insurance	Nonagricultural personal income [3]
				Farm	Business and professional						
1956	332.9	227.6	8.1	11.6	32.1	10.9	12.1	17.5	18.8	5.8	317.9
1957	351.4	238.5	9.1	11.8	32.7	11.9	12.6	19.6	21.9	6.7	336.1
1958	360.3	239.8	9.4	13.5	32.5	12.2	12.4	21.0	26.3	6.9	343.0
1959	383.9	258.5	10.4	11.4	35.1	11.9	13.7	23.5	27.5	7.9	368.6
1960	401.3	271.3	11.0	12.0	34.2	12.1	14.5	25.8	29.5	9.2	385.1
1961	417.6	278.8	11.6	12.9	35.3	12.2	15.2	27.5	33.6	9.6	400.4
1962	442.4	297.1	12.3	13.2	36.6	12.2	16.5	30.0	34.7	10.3	424.9
1963	464.1	312.1	13.1	13.0	37.6	12.3	18.0	32.9	36.7	11.8	446.6
1964 [4]	491.4	331.6	14.1	12.7	39.3	12.4	19.8	36.0	38.2	12.7	474.2
1963: Oct	472.7	318.2	13.4	13.2	38.2	12.4	18.5	34.0	37.1	12.1	455.1
Nov	473.8	318.3	13.5	13.2	38.2	12.4	18.8	34.2	37.2	11.9	456.1
Dec	477.1	320.0	13.5	13.2	38.4	12.4	20.1	34.4	37.2	12.1	459.5
1964: Jan	479.4	320.8	13.6	12.8	38.3	12.4	19.3	34.7	39.7	12.2	462.1
Feb	480.5	323.6	13.7	12.6	38.7	12.4	19.4	35.0	37.5	12.3	463.5
Mar	482.9	325.1	13.8	12.4	38.8	12.4	19.6	35.3	37.8	12.4	466.1
Apr	486.6	327.7	13.9	12.5	39.0	12.4	19.8	35.5	38.2	12.5	469.7
May	487.8	328.7	14.0	12.6	39.1	12.4	19.8	35.7	38.0	12.5	470.7
June	489.3	330.1	14.1	12.6	39.3	12.4	19.9	35.9	37.6	12.6	472.1
July	491.4	331.8	14.2	12.4	39.5	12.4	20.0	36.0	37.8	12.7	474.4
Aug	494.9	334.6	14.2	12.6	39.6	12.4	20.0	36.2	38.0	12.8	477.8
Sept	497.9	337.2	14.3	12.7	39.7	12.4	19.9	36.5	38.0	12.9	480.6
Oct	498.7	337.3	14.4	12.7	39.8	12.5	19.9	36.7	38.3	12.9	481.4
Nov [4]	502.3	340.4	14.5	12.9	39.9	12.5	19.9	36.9	38.4	13.0	485.0
Dec [4]	505.7	342.4	14.5	13.1	40.0	12.5	20.6	37.2	38.4	13.1	488.3

[1] Compensation of employees (see p. 3) excluding employer contributions for social insurance and the excess of wage accruals over disbursements.

[2] Employer contributions to private pension, health, and welfare funds; compensation for injuries; directors' fees; military reserve pay; and a few other minor items.

[3] Personal income exclusive of net income of unincorporated farm enterprises, farm wages, agricultural net interest, and net dividends paid by agricultural corporations.

[4] Preliminary.

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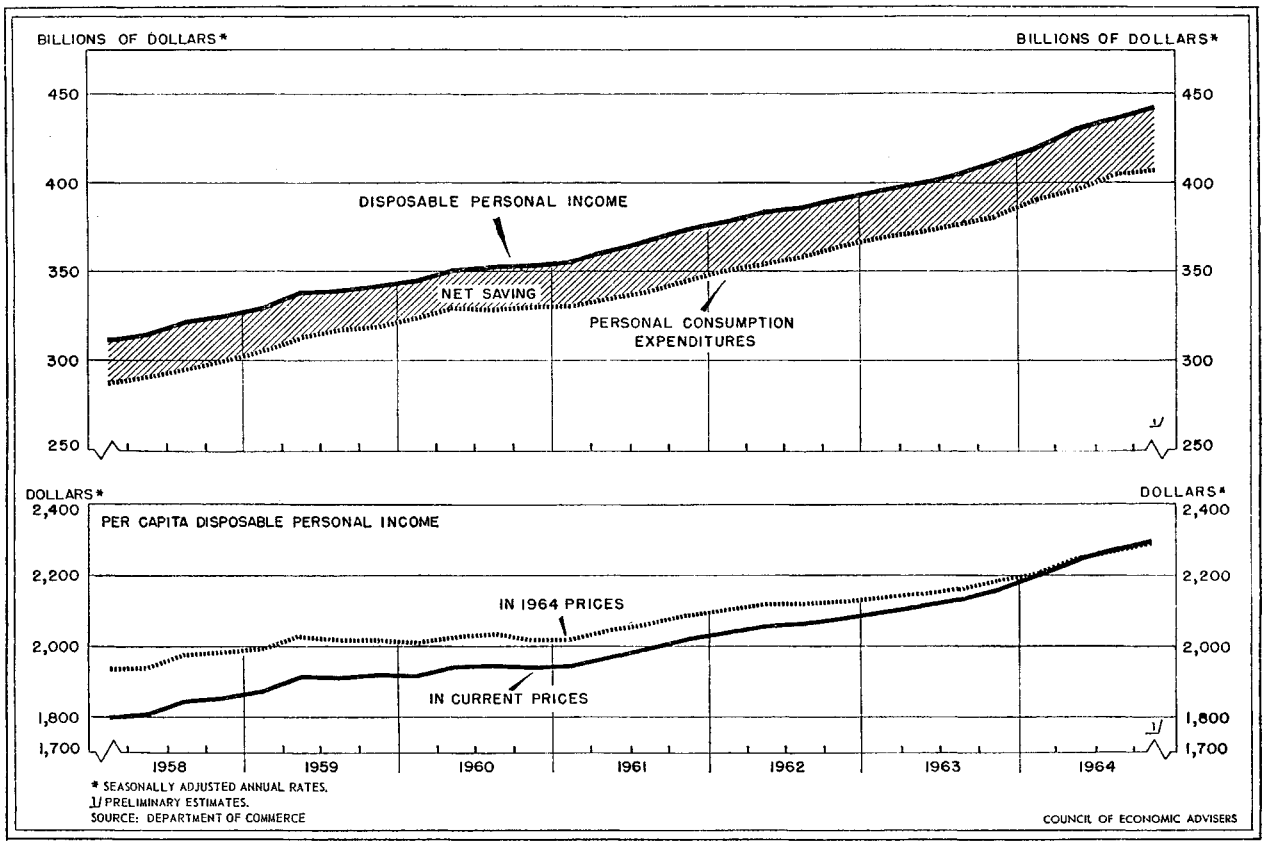
DISPOSITION OF PERSONAL INCOME

According to preliminary estimates, disposable personal income advanced $6½ billion (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in the fourth quarter of 1964. Consumer spending, held down by auto strikes, increased $1½ billion and the saving rate rose to 8.1 percent.



Period	Personal income	Less: Personal taxes	Equals: Disposable personal income	Less: Personal consumption expenditures				Equals: Personal saving	Per capita disposable personal income		Saving as percent of disposable personal income (percent)	Population (thousands) [2]
				Total	Durable goods	Nondurable goods	Services		Current prices	1964 prices [1]		
	Billions of dollars								Dollars			
1953	288.3	35.8	252.5	232.6	32.9	118.0	81.8	19.8	1,582	1,833	7.8	159,559
1954	289.8	32.9	256.9	238.0	32.4	119.3	86.3	18.9	1,582	1,815	7.4	162,388
1955	310.2	35.7	274.4	256.9	39.6	124.8	92.5	17.5	1,661	1,896	6.4	165,276
1956	332.9	40.0	292.9	269.9	38.5	131.4	100.0	23.0	1,741	1,956	7.9	168,225
1957	351.4	42.6	308.8	285.2	40.4	137.7	107.1	23.6	1,803	1,968	7.6	171,278
1958	360.3	42.3	317.9	293.2	37.3	141.6	114.3	24.7	1,826	1,957	7.8	174,154
1959	383.9	46.8	337.1	313.5	43.6	147.1	122.8	23.6	1,904	2,015	7.0	177,080
1960	401.3	51.4	349.9	328.2	44.9	151.8	131.5	21.7	1,936	2,021	6.2	180,684
1961	417.6	52.9	364.7	337.3	43.7	155.4	138.3	27.3	1,985	2,057	7.5	183,756
1962	442.4	57.9	384.6	356.8	48.4	162.0	146.4	27.8	2,060	2,116	7.2	186,656
1963	464.1	61.6	402.5	375.0	52.1	167.5	155.3	27.5	2,125	2,155	6.8	189,375
1964 [3]	491.4	59.5	431.8	399.2	57.0	177.1	165.1	32.6	2,248	2,248	7.5	192,072
	Seasonally adjusted annual rates											
1963: III	466.3	61.9	404.4	377.4	52.2	168.6	156.6	27.0	2,131	2,159	6.7	189,756
IV	474.5	63.3	411.2	381.3	53.6	168.9	158.8	29.9	2,159	2,178	7.3	190,498
1964: I	480.9	61.4	419.5	390.0	55.9	172.9	161.1	29.5	2,195	2,205	7.0	191,120
II	487.9	57.7	430.2	396.1	57.0	175.3	163.8	34.0	2,243	2,245	7.9	191,744
III	494.5	58.8	435.6	404.6	58.7	179.5	166.4	31.0	2,264	2,261	7.1	192,434
IV [3]	502.2	60.2	442.0	406.2	56.2	180.8	169.2	35.9	2,288	2,280	8.1	193,145

[1] Income in current prices divided by the implicit price deflator for personal consumption expenditures on a 1964 base.

[2] Population of the United States including armed forces abroad. Annual data as of July 1; quarterly data centered in the middle of the period, interpolated from monthly figures.

[3] Preliminary estimates.

NOTE.—Data for Alaska and Hawaii included beginning 1960.

Sources: Department of Commerce and Council of Economic Advisers.

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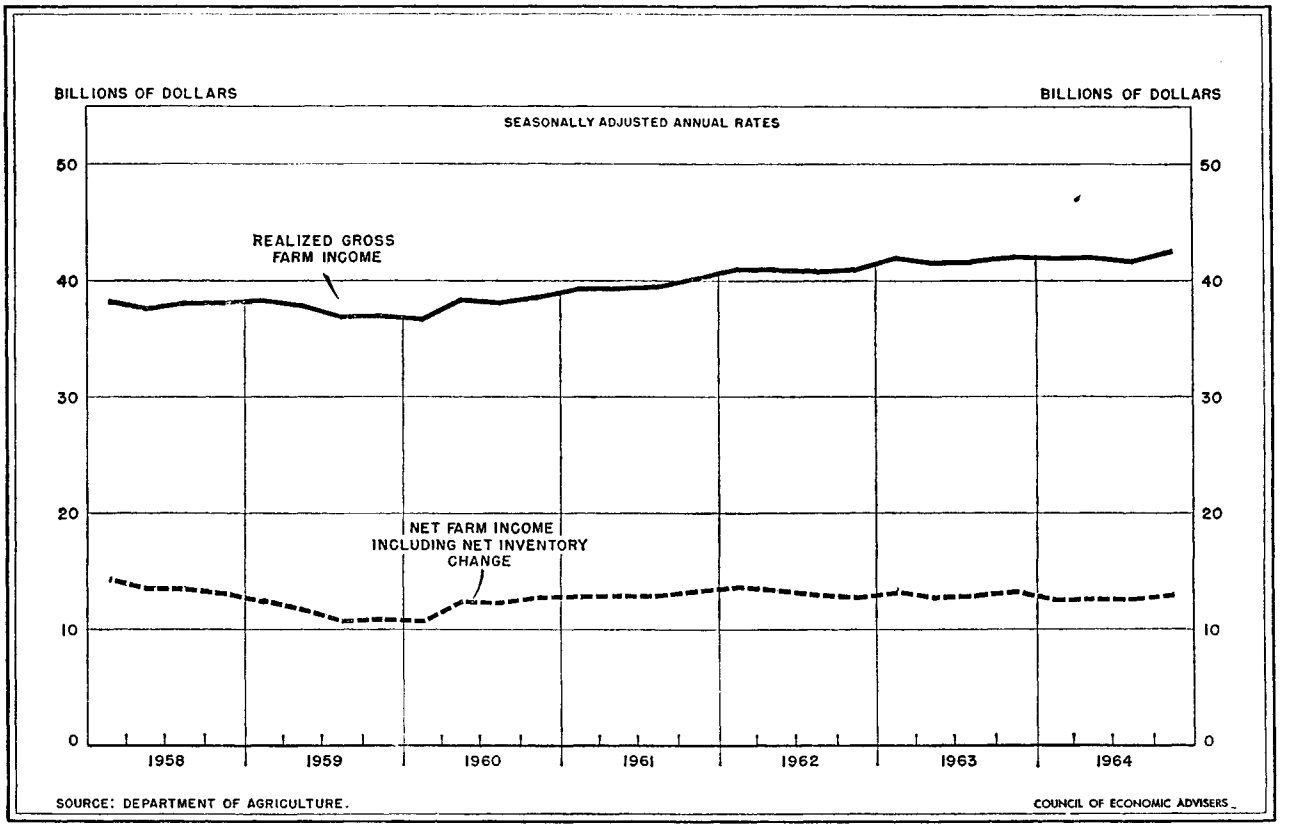
FARM INCOME

Net farm income, seasonally adjusted, rose 6½ percent in the fourth quarter of 1964 excluding inventory change and 2½ percent including the effects of changes in inventories.



Period	Personal income received by total farm population			Income received from farming						
	From all sources	From farm sources	From nonfarm sources	Realized gross: Total [1]	Realized gross: Cash receipts from marketings	Production expenses	Net to farm operators: Excluding net inventory change	Net to farm operators: Including net inventory change [2]	Net income per farm including net inventory change [3]: Current prices	Net income per farm including net inventory change [3]: 1964 prices [4]
	Billions of dollars								Dollars	
1955	18.3	12.2	6.1	33.3	29.6	21.9	11.5	11.8	2,529	2,810
1956	18.6	12.0	6.6	34.6	30.6	22.6	12.0	11.6	2,574	2,829
1957	18.8	12.2	6.6	34.4	29.8	23.4	11.0	11.8	2,695	2,867
1958	20.5	13.8	6.7	37.9	33.4	25.3	12.6	13.5	3,201	3,369
1959	19.0	11.8	7.1	37.5	33.5	26.2	11.3	11.4	2,775	2,891
1960	19.6	12.3	7.2	37.9	34.0	26.2	11.7	12.0	3,044	3,138
1961	20.1	13.1	7.0	39.6	34.9	27.0	12.6	12.9	3,389	3,494
1962	20.4	13.3	7.1	40.9	36.1	28.3	12.6	13.2	3,581	3,654
1963	19.9	13.0	6.8	41.7	36.9	29.2	12.5	13.0	3,643	3,680
1964 [5]	19.6	12.7	6.9	42.0	36.7	29.4	12.6	12.7	3,656	3,656
	Seasonally adjusted annual rates									
1963: III	--------	--------	--------	41.6	36.8	29.2	12.4	12.9	3,610	3,650
IV	--------	--------	--------	42.0	37.2	29.2	12.8	13.2	3,690	3,730
1964: I	--------	--------	--------	41.9	36.7	29.6	12.3	12.6	3,630	3,670
II	--------	--------	--------	42.0	36.8	29.7	12.3	12.6	3,630	3,630
III	--------	--------	--------	41.6	36.2	29.1	12.5	12.6	3,630	3,630
IV [5]	--------	--------	--------	42.5	37.1	29.2	13.3	12.9	3,710	3,710

[1] Cash receipts from marketings, Government payments, and nonmoney income furnished by farms.
[2] Inventory of crops and livestock valued at the average price for the year.
[3] Based on 1959 Census of Agriculture definition of a farm. The number of farms is held constant within a year.
[4] Income in current prices divided by the index of prices paid by farmers for family living items on a 1964 base.
[5] Preliminary.

Source: Department of Agriculture.

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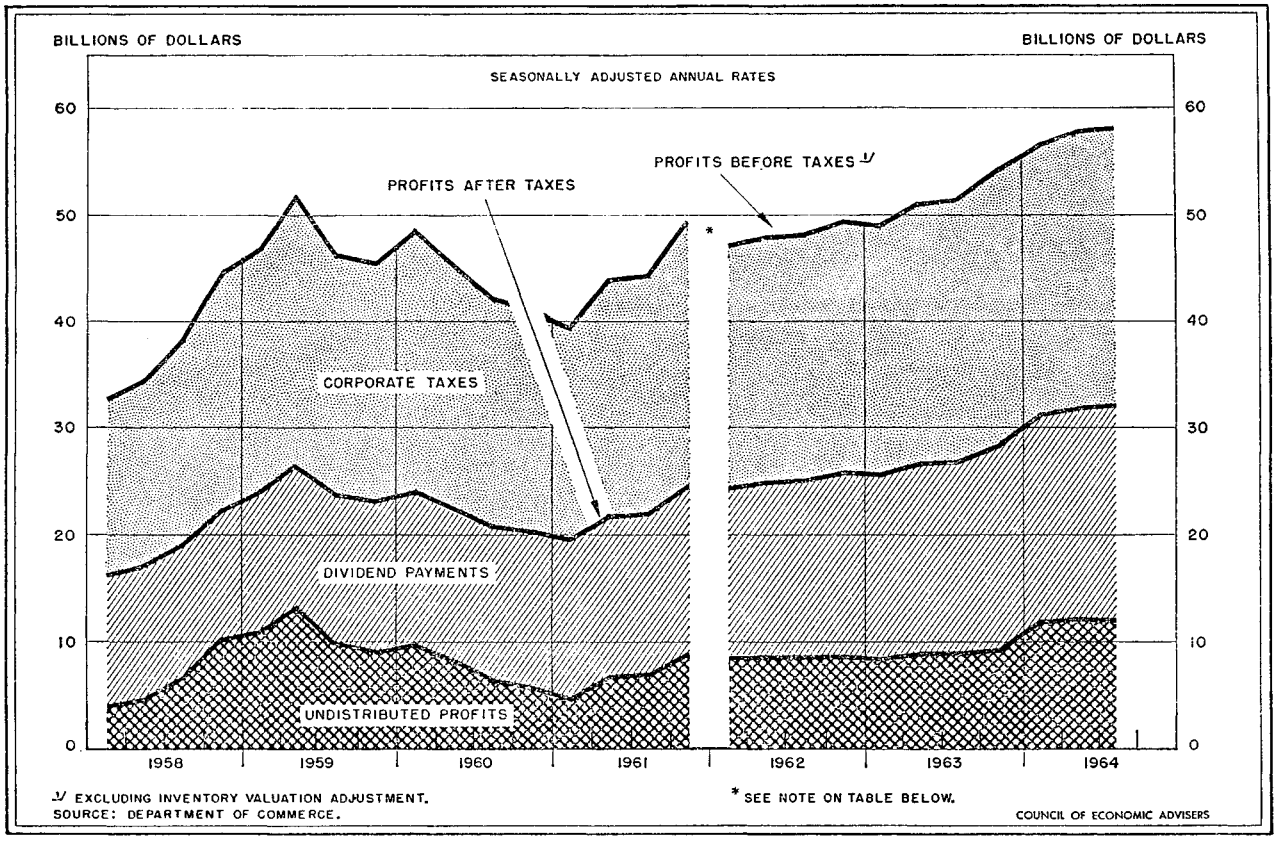
CORPORATE PROFITS

According to current estimates, corporate profits before and after taxes were maintained during the third quarter of 1964 at the seasonally adjusted record levels reached in the second quarter.



[Billions of dollars; quarterly data at seasonally adjusted annual rates]

Period	Corporate profits (before taxes) and inventory valuation adjustment						Corporate profits before taxes	Corporate tax liability	Corporate profits after taxes			Corporate capital consumption allowances [1]	Profits plus capital consumption allowances [2]
	All industries	Manufacturing			Transportation, communications, and public utilities	All other industries			Total	Dividend payments	Undistributed profits		
		Total	Durable goods industries	Nondurable goods industries									
1954	33.7	18.4	10.1	8.3	4.4	11.0	34.1	17.2	16.8	9.8	7.0	15.8	32.7
1955	43.1	25.0	14.2	10.8	5.4	12.8	44.9	21.8	23.0	11.2	11.8	18.4	41.4
1956	42.0	23.5	12.6	10.9	5.6	12.9	44.7	21.2	23.5	12.1	11.3	20.0	43.5
1957	41.7	22.9	13.1	9.8	5.5	13.3	43.2	20.9	22.3	12.6	9.7	21.8	44.1
1958	37.2	18.3	9.0	9.3	5.6	13.3	37.4	18.6	18.8	12.4	6.4	22.7	41.4
1959	47.2	25.4	13.4	11.9	6.7	15.1	47.7	23.2	24.5	13.7	10.8	24.3	48.7
1960	44.5	23.0	11.6	11.4	7.0	14.4	44.3	22.3	22.0	14.5	7.5	25.6	47.6
1961	44.1	21.7	10.9	10.8	7.3	15.1	44.2	22.3	21.9	15.2	6.7	26.9	48.8
1962	48.4	24.7	13.2	11.5	8.0	15.7	48.2	23.2	25.0	16.5	8.5	30.5	55.5
1963	50.8	26.7	14.4	12.3	8.4	15.7	51.3	24.6	26.7	18.0	8.7	31.8	58.5
1964 [3]	57.0	30.7	16.5	14.2	8.9	17.4	57.2	25.6	31.6	19.8	11.8	33.7	65.3
1963: III	51.4	27.8	14.7	13.1	8.4	15.2	51.3	24.5	26.7	17.9	8.9	32.1	58.8
IV	53.1	27.8	15.4	12.4	8.7	16.6	54.3	26.0	28.3	19.1	9.2	32.4	60.7
1964: I	56.4	30.6	16.6	13.9	8.5	17.4	56.6	25.4	31.2	19.4	11.8	33.0	64.2
II	57.9	31.7	17.0	14.8	8.8	17.4	57.9	26.0	31.9	19.8	12.1	33.4	65.3
III	58.1	31.2	16.9	14.3	9.3	17.6	58.0	26.0	32.0	20.0	12.0	33.8	65.8
IV [3]										20.2		34.4	

[1] Includes depreciation, capital outlays charged to current accounts and accidental damages.
[2] Corporate profits after taxes plus corporate capital consumption allowances.
[3] Preliminary estimates.

NOTE.—Data beginning 1962 have been adjusted for effects of new depreciation guidelines ($2½ billion for 1962) and therefore not comparable with previous data. Data for Alaska and Hawaii included beginning 1960.

Source: Department of Commerce.

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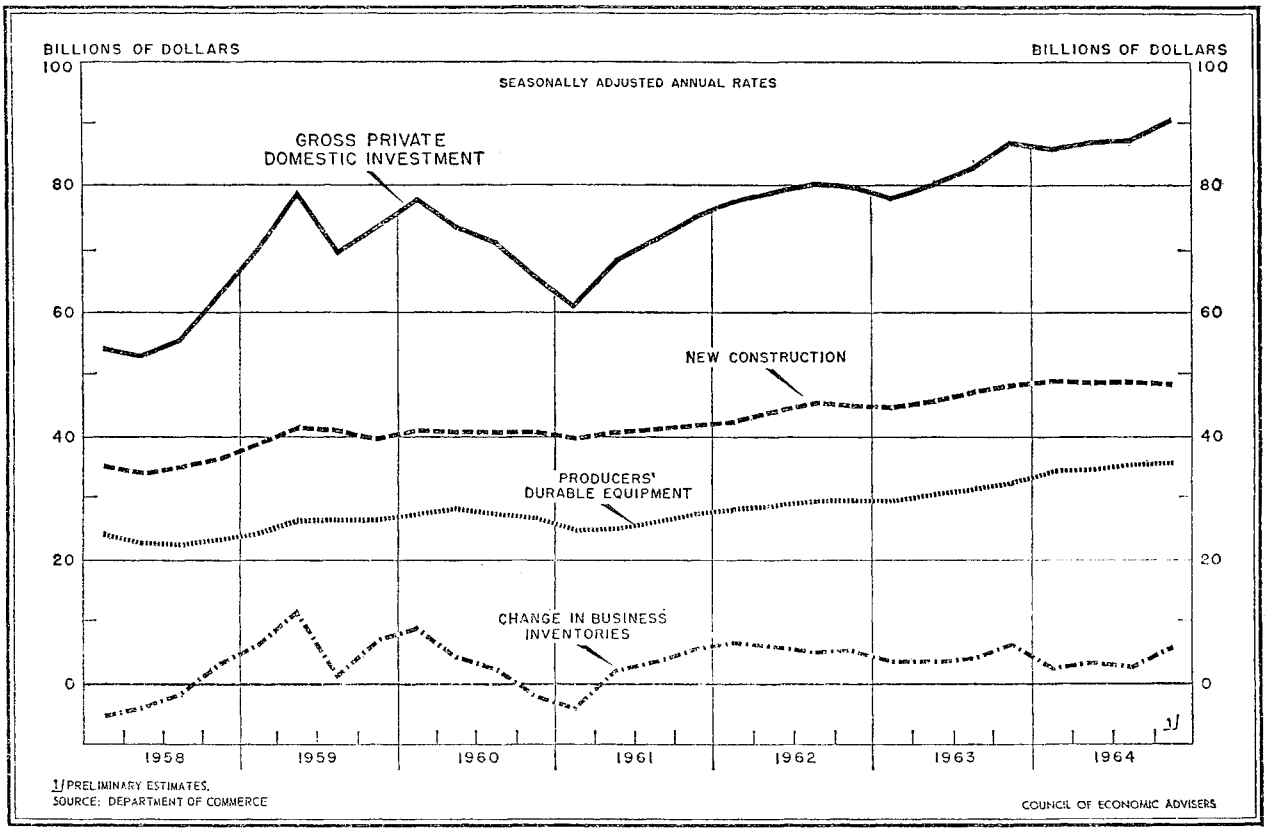
GROSS PRIVATE DOMESTIC INVESTMENT

Gross private domestic investment increased by slightly more than $3 billion (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in the fourth quarter of 1964. Increased business inventory accumulations accounted for the entire increase, as a decline in residential construction offset a rise in business fixed investment.



[Billions of dollars, quarterly data at seasonally adjusted annual rates]

Period	Total gross private domestic investment	Fixed investment							Change in business inventories	
		Total	New construction [1]				Producers' durable equipment		Total	Nonfarm
			Total	Residential nonfarm	Other [2]					
					Total	Nonfarm	Total	Nonfarm		
1952	49.9	46.8	25.5	12.8	12.7	10.8	21.3	18.6	3.1	2.1
1953	50.3	49.9	27.6	13.8	13.8	12.1	22.3	19.5	.4	1.1
1954	48.9	50.5	29.7	15.4	14.3	12.7	20.8	18.5	−1.6	−2.1
1955	63.8	58.1	34.9	18.7	16.2	14.6	23.1	20.6	5.8	5.5
1956	67.4	62.7	35.5	17.7	17.8	16.3	27.2	25.0	4.7	5.1
1957	66.1	64.6	36.1	17.0	19.0	17.5	28.5	26.2	1.6	.8
1958	56.6	58.6	35.5	18.0	17.4	15.9	23.1	20.3	−2.0	−2.9
1959	72.7	66.2	40.2	22.3	17.9	16.2	25.9	23.1	6.6	6.5
1960	71.8	68.3	40.7	21.1	19.7	18.0	27.6	25.1	3.5	3.2
1961	68.8	66.9	41.0	21.1	19.8	18.2	25.9	23.3	1.9	1.5
1962	79.1	73.3	44.2	23.6	20.6	19.0	29.0	26.3	5.9	5.3
1963	82.0	77.6	46.6	25.2	21.3	19.8	31.0	27.9	4.4	3.9
1964 [3]	87.7	84.0	48.9	26.0	22.9	21.4	35.1	31.5	3.7	3.6
1963: III	82.8	78.6	47.2	25.4	21.9	20.3	31.4	28.5	4.2	3.7
IV	87.1	80.7	48.3	26.2	22.1	20.6	32.4	29.1	6.4	6.0
1964: I	85.9	83.4	49.2	26.9	22.3	20.8	34.2	30.7	2.5	2.2
II	87.2	83.5	48.9	26.2	22.7	21.1	34.6	31.2	3.7	3.4
III	87.3	84.5	48.9	25.7	23.1	21.6	35.6	32.1	2.8	2.7
IV [3]	90.5	84.5	48.6	25.0	23.6	22.1	35.9	32.2	6.0	6.3

[1] Revisions in series on new construction shown on p. 19 have not yet been incorporated into these series.

[2] "Other" construction in this series includes petroleum and natural gas well drilling, which are excluded from estimates on p. 19.

[3] Preliminary estimates.

NOTE.—Data for Alaska and Hawaii included beginning 1960.

Source: Department of Commerce.

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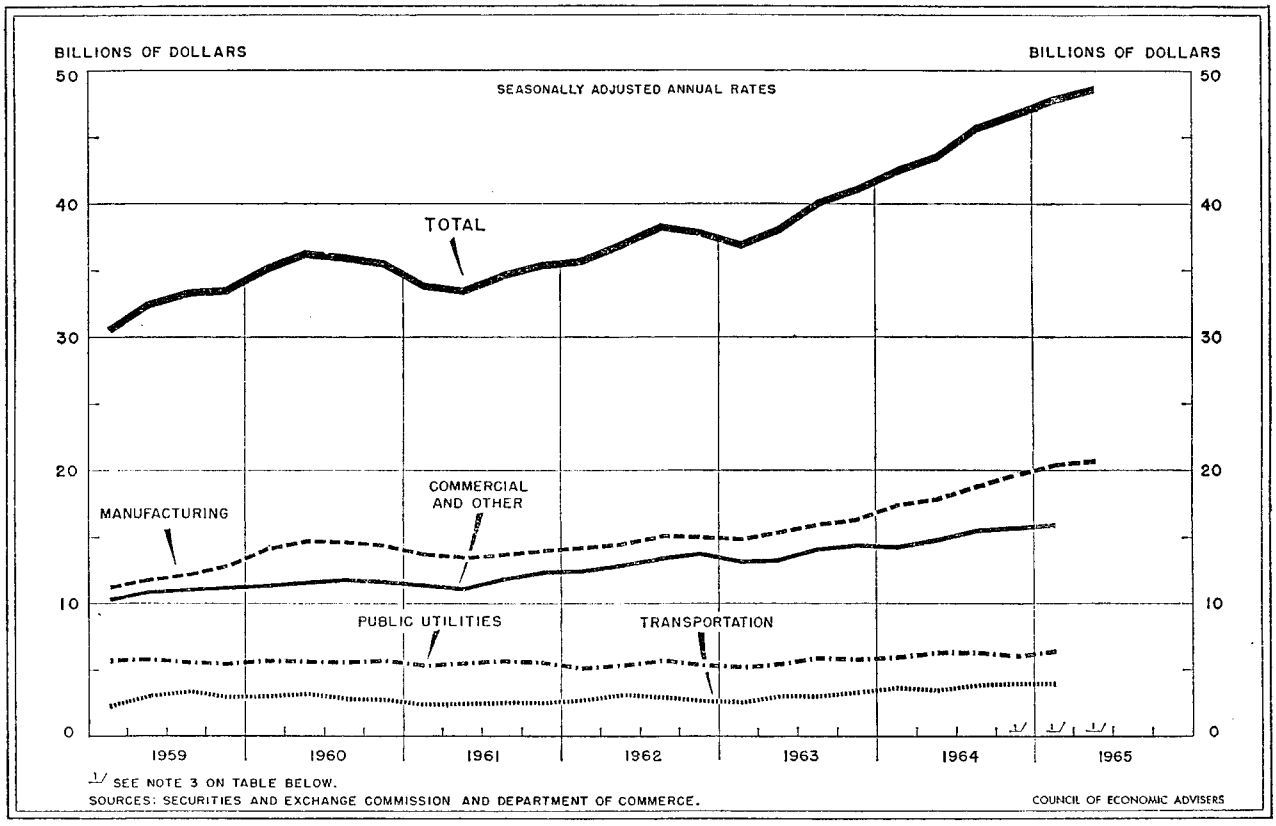
EXPENDITURES FOR NEW PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

The November survey of plant and equipment expenditures indicated that total outlays in 1964 will be nearly 14 percent above those in 1963. According to business plans reported in the survey, expenditures (seasonally adjusted) in the first half of 1965 will run 8 percent above the 1964 total.



[Billions of dollars; quarterly data at seasonally adjusted annual rates]

Period	Total [1]	Manufacturing			Mining	Transportation		Public utilities	Commercial and other [2]
		Total	Durable goods	Nondurable goods		Railroads	Other		
1953	28. 32	11. 91	5. 65	6. 26	0. 99	1. 31	1. 56	4. 55	8. 00
1954	26. 83	11. 04	5. 09	5. 95	. 98	. 85	1. 51	4. 22	8. 23
1955	28. 70	11. 44	5. 44	6. 00	. 96	. 92	1. 60	4. 31	9. 47
1956	35. 08	14. 95	7. 62	7. 33	1. 24	1. 23	1. 71	4. 90	11. 05
1957	36. 96	15. 96	8. 02	7. 94	1. 24	1. 40	1. 77	6. 20	10. 40
1958	30. 53	11. 43	5. 47	5. 96	. 94	. 75	1. 50	6. 09	9. 81
1959	32. 54	12. 07	5. 77	6. 29	. 99	. 92	2. 02	5. 67	10. 88
1960	35. 68	14. 48	7. 18	7. 30	. 99	1. 03	1. 94	5. 68	11. 57
1961	34. 37	13. 68	6. 27	7. 40	. 98	. 67	1. 85	5. 52	11. 68
1962	37. 31	14. 68	7. 03	7. 65	1. 08	. 85	2. 07	5. 48	13. 15
1963	39. 22	15. 69	7. 85	7. 84	1. 04	1. 10	1. 92	5. 65	13. 82
1964 [3]	44. 66	18. 51	9. 35	9. 16	1. 18	1. 46	2. 31	6. 14	15. 06
1964: I	42. 55	17. 40	8. 85	8. 55	1. 15	1. 40	2. 30	5. 95	14. 30
II	43. 50	17. 80	9. 00	8. 80	1. 15	1. 25	2. 25	6. 30	14. 75
III	45. 65	18. 85	9. 60	9. 20	1. 20	1. 50	2. 40	6. 30	15. 40
IV [3]	46. 70	19. 75	9. 80	9. 95	1. 25	1. 75	2. 30	6. 00	15. 55
1965: I [3]	47. 90	20. 40	10. 15	10. 25	1. 25	1. 70	2. 35	6. 40	15. 80
II [3]	48. 70	20. 70	----------	----------	27. 95				

[1] Excludes agriculture.
[2] Commercial and other includes trade, service, finance, communications, and construction.
[3] Estimates based on anticipated capital expenditures as reported by business in November 1964. Includes adjustments when necessary for systematic tendencies in anticipatory data.

NOTE.—Beginning 1959 all quarterly data are rounded to nearest $50 million. Annual total is the sum of unadjusted expenditures; it does not necessarily coincide with the average of seasonally adjusted figures.

These figures do not agree with the totals included in the gross national product estimates of the Department of Commerce, principally because the latter cover agricultural investment and also certain equipment and construction outlays charged to current expense.

Sources: Securities and Exchange Commission and Department of Commerce.

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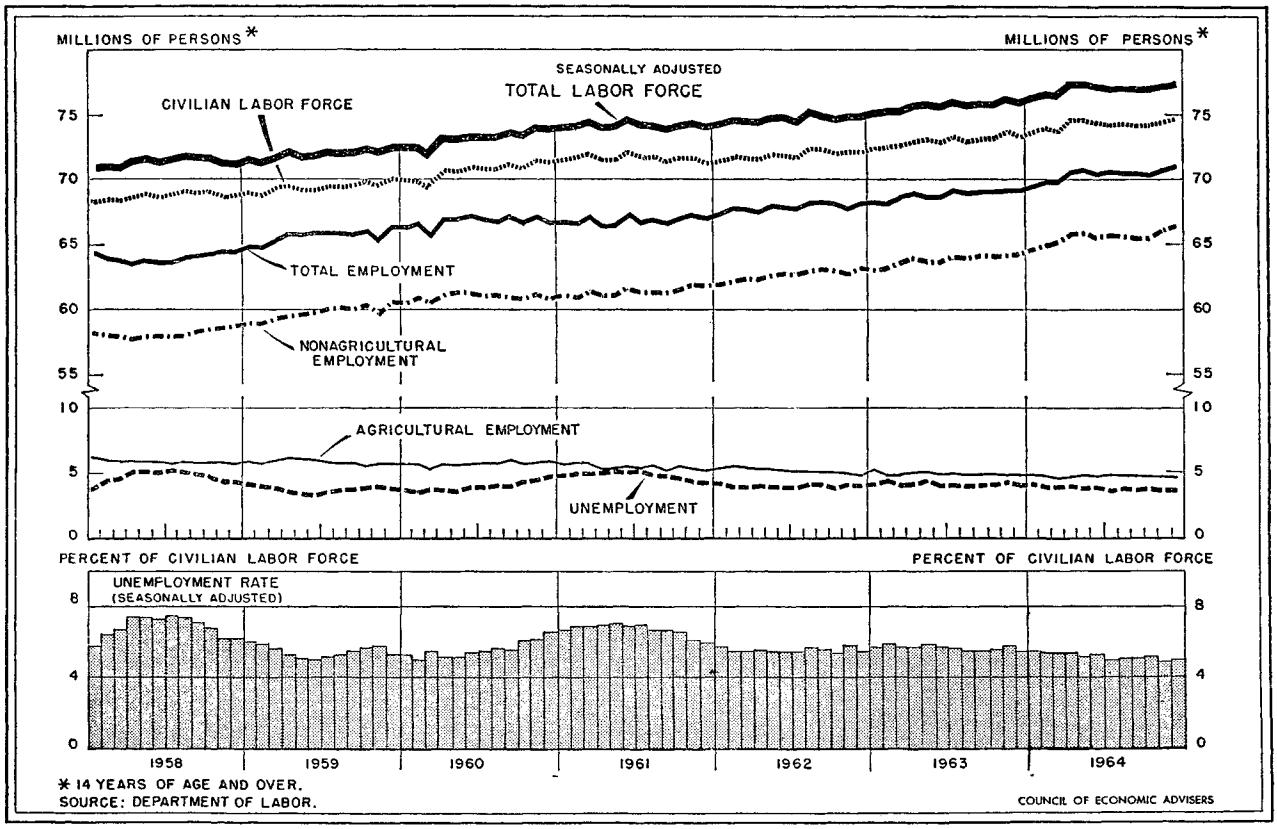
EMPLOYMENT, UNEMPLOYMENT, AND WAGES

STATUS OF THE LABOR FORCE

Seasonally adjusted nonagricultural employment rose by 379,000 in December 1964 but the continuing long-run decline in agriculture employment offset 130,000 of this increase. As a result, total employment rose by 249,000.



Period	Total labor force (including armed forces)	Civilian employment: Total	Civilian employment: Nonagricultural	Unemployment	Total labor force (including armed forces)	Civilian labor force	Civilian employment: Total	Civilian employment: Agricultural	Civilian employment: Nonagricultural	Unemployment	Unemployment rate (percent of civilian labor force): Unadjusted	Unemployment rate (percent of civilian labor force): Seasonally adjusted	Labor force participation rate, unadjusted [1]
	Thousands of persons 14 years of age and over										Percent		
1960	73,126	66,681	60,958	3,931	73,126	70,612	66,681	5,723	60,958	3,931	5.6	-------	58.3
1961	74,175	66,796	61,333	4,806	74,175	71,603	66,796	5,463	61,333	4,806	6.7	-------	58.0
1962 [2]	74,681	67,846	62,657	4,007	74,681	71,854	67,846	5,190	62,657	4,007	5.6	-------	57.4
1963	75,712	68,809	63,863	4,166	75,712	72,975	68,809	4,946	63,863	4,166	5.7	-------	57.3
1964	76,971	70,357	65,596	3,876	76,971	74,233	70,357	4,761	65,596	3,876	5.2	-------	57.4
	Unadjusted				Seasonally adjusted								
1963:													
Oct.	76,086	69,891	64,541	3,453	*75,981*	*73,239*	*69,118*	*4,913*	*64,205*	*4,121*	4.7	*5.6*	57.3
Nov.	76,000	69,325	64,548	3,936	*76,282*	*73,543*	*69,275*	*4,904*	*64,371*	*4,268*	5.4	*5.8*	57.2
Dec.	75,201	68,615	64,576	3,846	*76,120*	*73,380*	*69,333*	*4,884*	*64,449*	*4,047*	5.3	*5.5*	56.5
1964:													
Jan.	74,514	67,228	63,234	4,565	*76,375*	*73,654*	*69,568*	*4,883*	*64,685*	*4,086*	6.4	*5.5*	55.9
Feb.	75,259	68,002	64,071	4,524	*76,551*	*73,819*	*69,842*	*4,791*	*65,051*	*3,977*	6.2	*5.4*	56.4
Mar.	75,553	68,517	64,500	4,293	*76,541*	*73,798*	*69,812*	*4,637*	*65,175*	*3,986*	5.9	*5.4*	56.6
Apr.	76,544	69,877	65,448	3,921	*77,252*	*74,507*	*70,486*	*4,791*	*65,695*	*4,021*	5.3	*5.4*	57.3
May	77,490	71,101	66,094	3,640	*77,225*	*74,477*	*70,639*	*4,849*	*65,790*	*3,838*	4.9	*5.2*	57.9
June	79,389	71,953	66,100	4,692	*77,049*	*74,305*	*70,345*	*4,826*	*65,519*	*3,960*	6.1	*5.3*	59.2
July	78,958	72,405	66,586	3,813	*76,928*	*74,188*	*70,496*	*4,864*	*65,632*	*3,692*	5.0	*5.0*	58.8
Aug.	78,509	72,104	66,704	3,654	*77,006*	*74,255*	*70,458*	*4,817*	*65,641*	*3,797*	4.8	*5.1*	58.4
Sept.	76,865	70,805	65,575	3,317	*77,023*	*74,280*	*70,465*	*4,815*	*65,650*	*3,815*	4.5	*5.1*	57.1
Oct.	77,112	71,123	65,997	3,252	*76,996*	*74,259*	*70,379*	*4,721*	*65,658*	*3,880*	4.4	*5.2*	57.2
Nov.	76,897	70,793	66,248	3,373	*77,409*	*77,140*	*70,755*	*4,671*	*66,084*	*3,654*	4.5	*4.9*	57.0
Dec.	76,567	70,375	66,590	3,466	*77,432*	*74,706*	*71,004*	*4,541*	*66,463*	*3,702*	4.7	*5.0*	56.7

[1] Total labor force as percent of noninstitutional population.
[2] Not strictly comparable with preceding data. See *Employment and Earnings*, May 1962, p. XIV.

NOTE.—Seasonally adjusted series revised beginning 1948. See *Monthly Report on the Labor Force, January 1965*. Beginning 1960, data include Alaska and Hawaii.
Source: Department of Labor.

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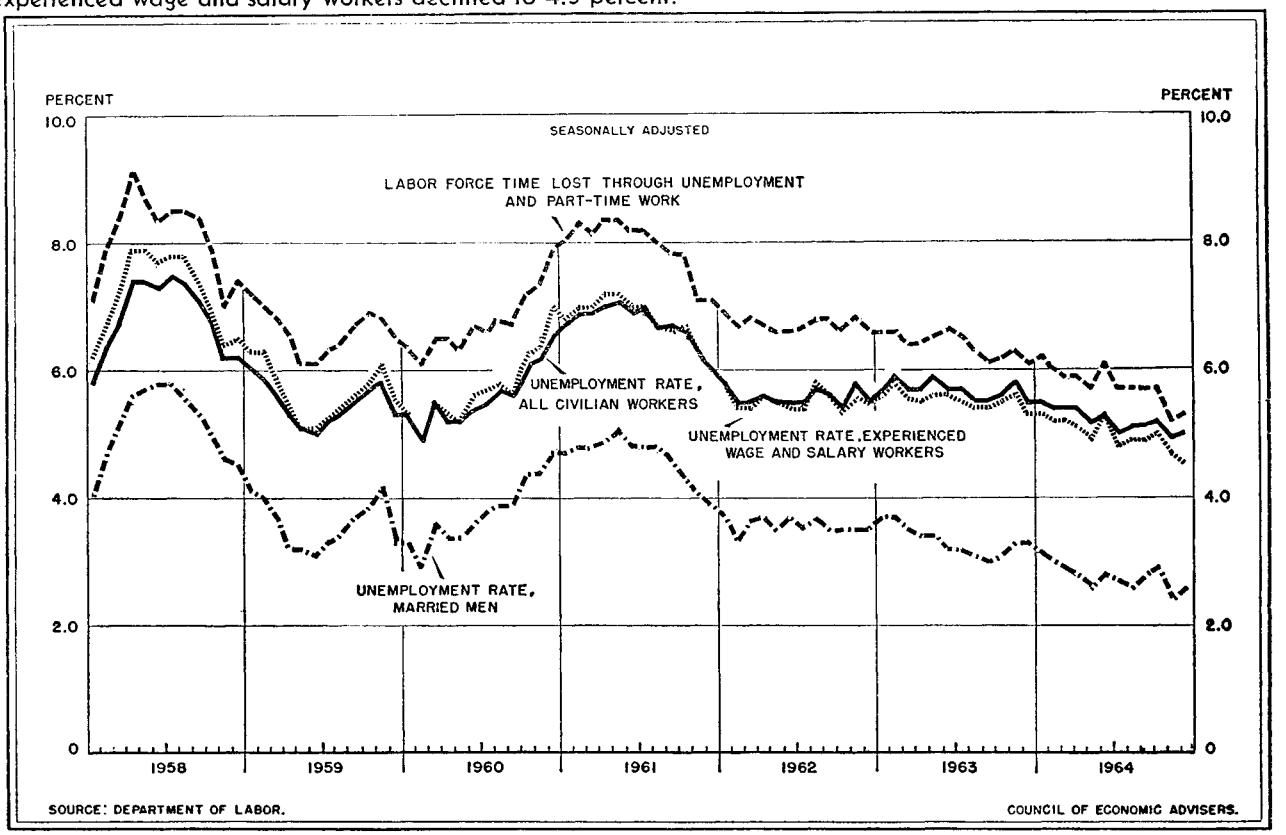
SELECTED MEASURES OF UNEMPLOYMENT AND PART-TIME EMPLOYMENT

The over-all unemployment rate rose slightly in December 1964 to 5.0 percent, seasonally adjusted. The rate for experienced wage and salary workers declined to 4.5 percent.



Period	Unemployment rate (percent of civilian labor force in group)			Labor force time lost through unemployment and part-time work [1]	Persons at work in nonagricultural industries by hours worked per week [2]						
							Under 35 hours				
	All workers	Experienced wage and salary workers	Married men (wife present)		Over 40 hours	35–40 hours	Total	Part-time for economic reasons: Usually full-time [3]	Part-time for economic reasons: Usually part-time [4]	Part-time for economic reasons: Usually full-time [3]	Part-time for economic reasons: Usually part-time [4]
	Percent				Thousands of persons 14 years of age and over						
1960	5.6	5.7	3.7	6.7	17,664	28,724	11,528	1,243	1,317	--------	--------
1961	6.7	6.8	4.6	8.0	18,210	29,047	11,132	1,297	1,516	--------	--------
1962	5.6	5.5	3.6	6.7	19,625	28,853	11,675	1,049	1,288	--------	--------
1963	5.7	5.5	3.4	[1] 6.4	19,257	29,422	11,856	1,070	1,219	--------	--------
1964	5.2	5.0	2.8	5.8	19,294	29,127	13,850	985	1,151	--------	--------
	Seasonally adjusted				Unadjusted					Seasonally adjusted	
1963: Dec.	5.5	5.3	3.3	6.1	20,220	30,597	11,773	1,008	1,039	1,031	1,167
1964: Jan.	5.5	5.3	3.1	6.2	18,337	28,842	13,801	1,057	1,015	981	1,169
Feb.	5.4	5.2	3.0	6.0	18,985	29,968	13,015	1,036	1,106	1,064	1,177
Mar.	5.4	5.2	2.9	5.9	19,466	31,090	11,908	1,032	1,049	994	1,138
Apr.	5.4	5.1	2.8	5.9	20,173	31,279	11,885	1,053	1,069	999	1,168
May	5.2	4.9	2.6	5.7	20,450	31,055	12,283	931	1,137	945	1,204
June	5.3	5.3	2.8	6.1	19,783	30,994	11,320	1,088	1,431	1,114	1,148
July	5.0	4.8	2.7	5.7	19,195	29,450	10,476	878	1,510	981	1,173
Aug.	5.1	4.9	2.6	5.7	19,159	30,053	10,284	904	1,503	900	1,177
Sept.	5.1	4.9	2.8	5.7	15,079	18,907	28,157	965	1,056	953	1,155
Oct.	5.2	5.0	2.9	5.7	20,284	29,065	13,857	935	988	961	1,137
Nov.	4.9	4.7	2.4	5.2	19,358	27,757	16,913	926	975	897	1,052
Dec.	5.0	4.5	2.6	5.3	21,251	31,066	12,298	[5] 1,021	[5] 968	1,044	1,088

[1] Man-hours lost by the unemployed and those on part-time for economic reasons as a percent of total man-hours potentially available to the civilian labor force. Beginning 1963, series not strictly comparable with preceding data.

[2] Differs from total nonagricultural employment (p. 13), which includes persons with jobs but not at work for such reasons as vacation, illness, bad weather, and industrial disputes.

[3] Includes persons who worked part-time because of slack work, material shortages or repairs, new job started, or job terminated.

[4] Primarily includes persons who could find only part-time work.

[5] Average hours worked: usually full-time, 23.3; usually part-time, 17.7.

NOTE.—See Note, p. 10. Beginning 1960, data include Alaska and Hawaii.

Source: Department of Labor.

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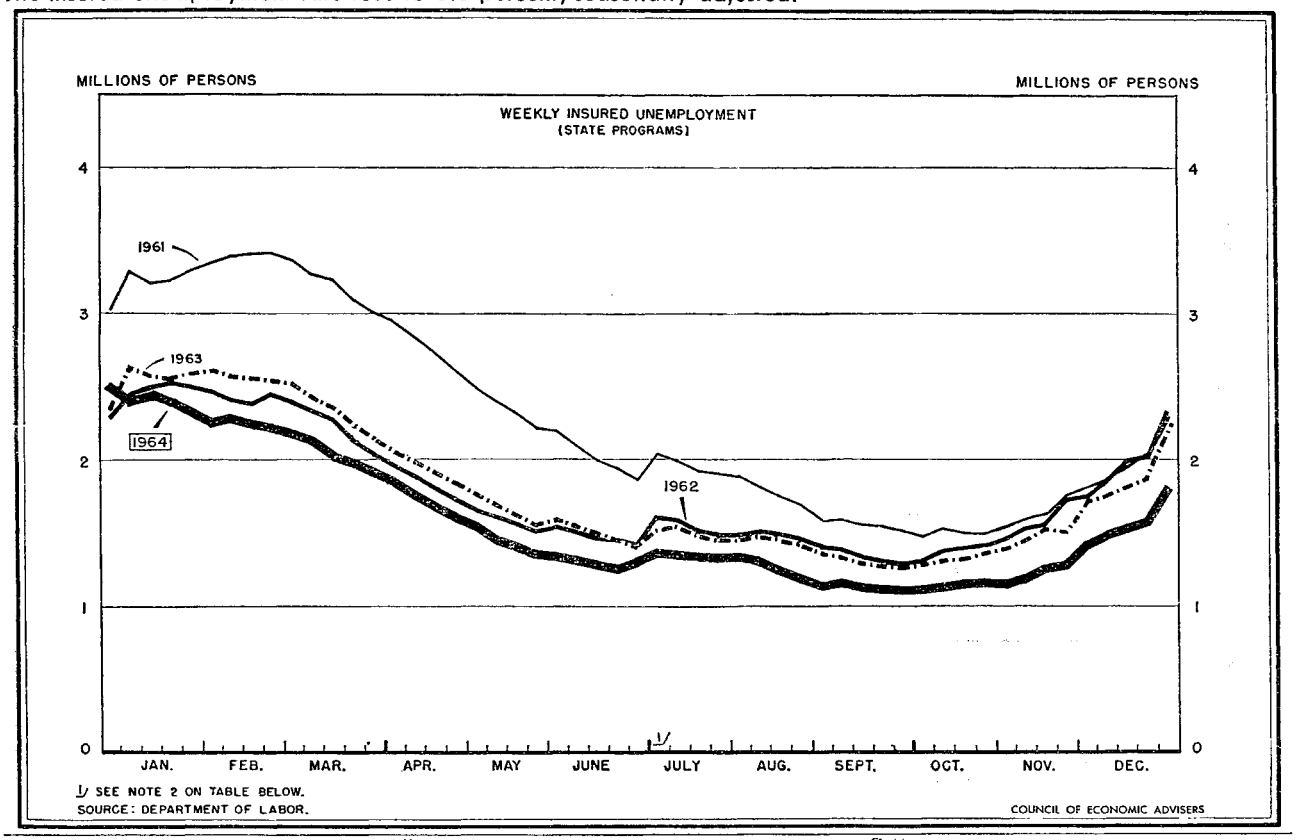
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE PROGRAMS

In December 1964, insured unemployment under State programs averaged 297,000 less than in December 1963. The insured unemployment rate rose to 3.6 percent, seasonally adjusted.



Period	All programs: Covered employment	All programs: Insured unemployment (weekly average)	All programs: Total benefits paid (millions of dollars)	State programs: Insured unemployment	State programs: Initial claims	State programs: Exhaustions	State programs: Insured unemployment as percent of covered employment: Unadjusted	State programs: Insured unemployment as percent of covered employment: *Seasonally adjusted*	State programs: Benefits paid: Total (millions of dollars)	State programs: Benefits paid: Average weekly check (dollars)
	Thousands			Weekly average, thousands			Percent			
1961	46,264	2,994	4,358.2	2,290	350	46	5.6	--------	3,422.7	33.80
1962	47,766	1,924	3,160.0	1,783	302	32	4.4	--------	2,675.4	34.56
1963	[1] 48,426	[2] 1,973	3,025.9	[2] 1,806	[2] 294	30	4.3	--------	2,774.7	35.27
1964 [1]	49,295	1,725	2,745.0	1,605	268	26	3.8	--------	2,522.4	35.85
1963: Nov	49,058	1,686	181.3	1,542	292	22	3.6	*4.1*	165.0	35.37
Dec	49,309	2,122	254.5	1,972	415	27	4.7	*4.3*	233.0	35.78
1964: Jan	47,692	2,563	345.6	2,395	412	30	5.7	*4.3*	319.3	36.07
Feb	47,677	2,410	307.9	2,243	291	31	5.3	*4.0*	283.8	36.24
Mar	48,172	2,200	315.6	2,050	259	32	4.9	*3.8*	292.6	36.26
Apr	[1] 48,844	1,920	280.9	1,755	246	34	4.2	*3.8*	258.0	36.02
May	[1] 49,396	1,605	218.3	1,447	218	31	3.4	*3.6*	201.5	35.50
June	[1] 50,146	1,448	199.3	1,297	218	27	3.1	*3.6*	183.1	35.27
July	--------	1,491	195.6	1,343	282	24	3.1	*3.6*	180.5	35.35
Aug	--------	1,396	180.2	1,260	212	23	2.9	*3.5*	164.5	35.60
Sept	--------	1,256	163.7	1,125	194	21	2.5	*3.4*	148.4	35.40
Oct	--------	1,264	157.8	1,138	225	20	2.6	*3.4*	143.2	35.92
Nov	--------	1,417	162.0	1,293	276	20	3.0	*3.4*	147.0	36.38
Dec [1]	--------	1,793	230.0	1,675	348	23	3.9	*3.6*	211.4	36.50
Week ended:										
1964: Dec 12	--------	1,661	--------	1,536	330	--------	3.6	--------	--------	--------
19	--------	1,707	--------	1,583	311	--------	3.7	--------	--------	--------
26	--------	1,927	--------	1,800	371	--------	4.2	--------	--------	--------
1965: Jan 2	--------	2,145	--------	*2,011	392	--------	4.7	--------	--------	--------
9	--------	2,161	--------	*2,023	442	--------	4.7	--------	--------	--------
16	--------	--------	--------	--------	352	--------	--------	--------	--------	--------

[1] Preliminary. *Not charted.
[2] Programs include Puerto Rican sugarcane workers for initial claims and insured unemployment beginning July 1963.

NOTE.—For definitions and coverage, see the *1962 Supplement to Economic Indicators*. Data for Alaska and Hawaii included for all periods and for Puerto Rico since January 1961.

Source: Department of Labor.

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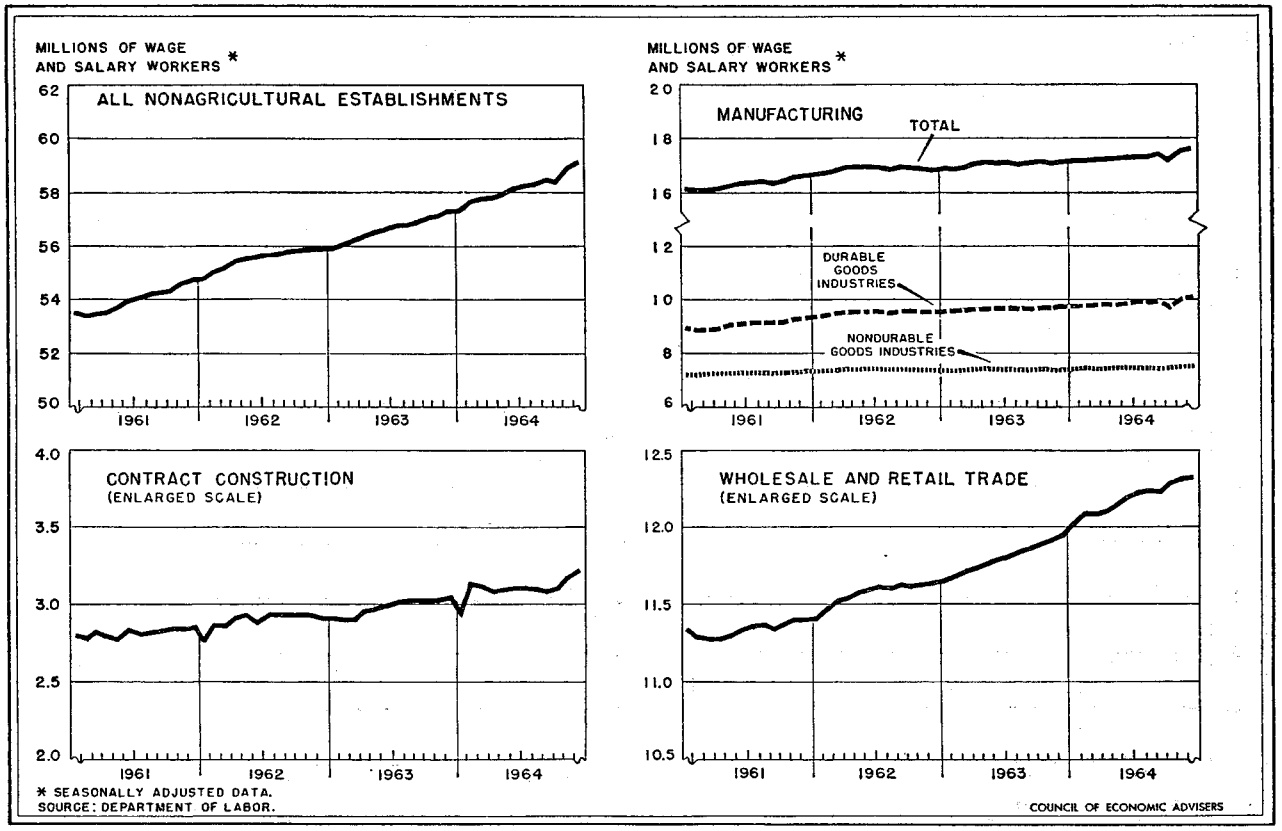
NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT

Nonagricultural payroll employment rose by 226,000 in December, led by a gain of 74,000 in durable goods manufacturing and 58,000 in contract construction.



[Thousands of wage and salary workers;[1] seasonally adjusted]

Period	Total	Manufacturing (private)			Nonmanufacturing (private)							Government	
		Total	Durable goods	Nondurable goods	Total	Mining	Contract construction	Transportation and public utilities	Wholesale and retail trade	Finance, insurance, and real estate	Service and miscellaneous	Federal	State and local
1958 [2]	51,368	15,945	8,830	7,116	27,584	751	2,778	3,976	10,750	2,519	6,811	2,191	5,648
1959 [2]	53,297	16,675	9,373	7,303	28,539	732	2,960	4,011	11,127	2,594	7,115	2,233	5,850
1960 [2]	54,203	16,796	9,459	7,336	29,054	712	2,885	4,004	11,391	2,669	7,392	2,270	6,083
1961 [2]	53,989	16,326	9,070	7,256	29,069	672	2,816	3,903	11,337	2,731	7,610	2,279	6,315
1962 [2]	55,515	16,853	9,481	7,372	29,772	650	2,902	3,906	11,566	2,800	7,947	2,340	6,550
1963 [2]	56,643	17,005	9,625	7,380	30,439	635	2,983	3,914	11,803	2,873	8,230	2,358	6,841
1964 [3]	58,178	17,301	9,848	7,454	31,376	636	3,105	3,974	12,184	2,945	8,532	2,348	7,153
1963:[2] Nov.	57,101	17,059	9,670	7,389	30,740	635	3,015	3,932	11,910	2,896	8,352	2,345	6,957
Dec.	57,291	17,115	9,717	7,398	30,839	636	3,052	3,931	11,950	2,904	8,366	2,346	6,991
1964:[2] Jan.	57,334	17,131	9,725	7,406	30,842	632	2,941	3,936	12,021	2,911	8,401	2,342	7,019
Feb.	57,684	17,171	9,740	7,431	31,145	633	3,132	3,943	12,083	2,917	8,437	2,337	7,031
Mar.	57,754	17,208	9,784	7,424	31,151	633	3,122	3,940	12,077	2,924	8,455	2,337	7,058
Apr.	57,827	17,224	9,798	7,426	31,166	633	3,081	3,964	12,096	2,931	8,461	2,341	7,096
May	57,931	17,225	9,780	7,445	31,250	631	3,093	3,968	12,135	2,934	8,489	2,339	7,117
June	58,104	17,285	9,826	7,459	31,349	639	3,106	3,965	12,187	2,943	8,509	2,323	7,147
July	58,256	17,344	9,890	7,454	31,461	639	3,107	3,983	12,223	2,948	8,561	2,322	7,129
Aug.	58,301	17,339	9,886	7,453	31,491	634	3,103	3,999	12,231	2,951	8,573	2,328	7,143
Sept.	58,458	17,449	9,986	7,463	31,500	634	3,080	4,005	12,229	2,960	8,592	2,320	7,189
Oct.	58,382	17,171	9,702	7,469	31,615	638	3,106	3,996	12,278	2,964	8,633	2,331	7,265
Nov.[3]	58,871	17,512	10,002	7,510	31,711	640	3,167	3,997	12,307	2,970	8,630	2,354	7,294
Dec.[3]	59,097	17,593	10,076	7,517	31,813	644	3,225	4,003	12,318	2,979	8,644	2,361	7,330

[1] Includes all full- and part-time wage and salary workers in nonagricultural establishments who worked during or received pay for any part of the pay period ending nearest the 15th of the month. Excludes proprietors, self-employed persons, domestic servants, and personnel of the armed forces. Total derived from this table not comparable with estimates of nonagricultural employment of the civilian labor force, shown on p. 10, which include proprietors, self-employed persons, and domestic servants; which count persons as employed when they are not at work because of industrial disputes; and which are based on an enumeration of population, whereas the estimates in this table are based on reports from employing establishments.

[2] Series revised, see note, p. 14.

[3] Preliminary.

NOTE.—Beginning 1959, data include Alaska and Hawaii.

Source: Department of Labor.

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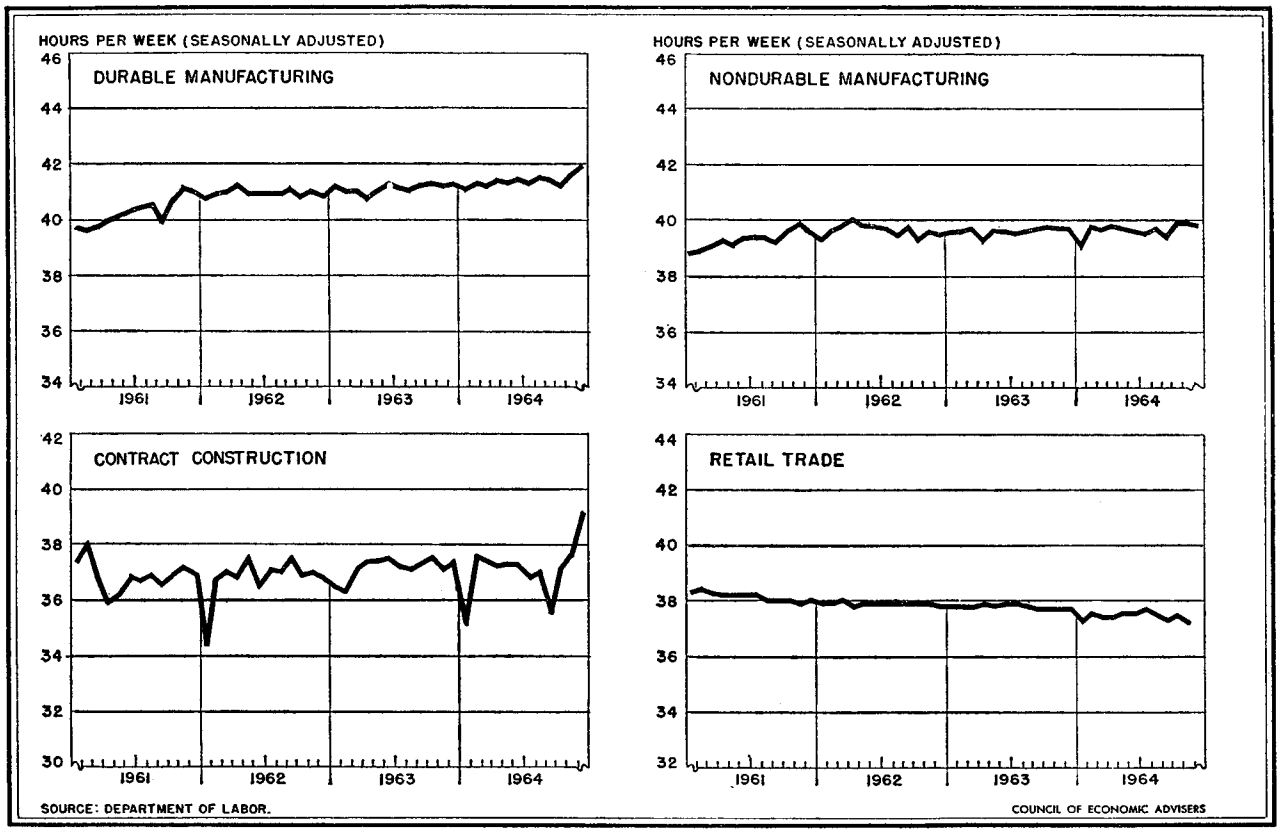
WEEKLY HOURS OF WORK - SELECTED INDUSTRIES

In December the average workweek in manufacturing reached its highest point of the year, 41.1 hours on a seasonally adjusted basis. The average hours worked in contract construction rose to 39.2.



[Average hours per week; [1] seasonally adjusted]

Period	Manufacturing industries			Contract construction	Retail trade
	All	Durable goods	Nondurable goods		
1954	39.6	40.1	39.0	37.2	39.7
1955	40.7	41.3	39.9	37.1	39.6
1956	40.4	41.0	39.6	37.5	39.1
1957	39.8	40.3	39.2	37.0	38.7
1958	39.2	39.5	38.8	36.8	38.7
1959	40.3	40.7	39.7	37.0	38.7
1960	39.7	40.1	39.2	36.7	38.5
1961	39.8	40.3	39.3	36.9	38.1
1962	40.4	40.9	39.6	37.0	37.9
1963	40.5	41.1	39.6	37.3	37.8
1964 [2]	40.7	41.4	39.7	37.1	37.4
1963: Nov	40.5	41.2	39.7	37.1	37.7
Dec	40.7	41.3	39.7	37.4	37.7
1964: Jan	40.2	41.1	39.1	35.2	37.3
Feb	40.7	41.3	39.8	37.6	37.5
Mar	40.6	41.2	39.7	37.4	37.4
Apr	40.7	41.4	39.8	37.2	37.4
May	40.6	41.3	39.7	37.3	37.5
June	40.6	41.4	39.6	37.3	37.5
July	40.6	41.3	39.5	36.8	37.7
Aug	40.8	41.5	39.7	37.0	37.5
Sept	40.5	41.4	39.4	35.6	37.3
Oct	40.5	41.2	39.9	37.1	37.5
Nov [2]	40.9	41.6	39.9	37.7	37.2
Dec [2]	41.1	41.9	39.8	39.2	----------

[1] Data relate to production workers or nonsupervisory employees. Data for Alaska and Hawaii included beginning 1959.
[2] Preliminary.

NOTE.--Series revised. For details, see *Employment and Earnings, December 1964*.

Source: Department of Labor.

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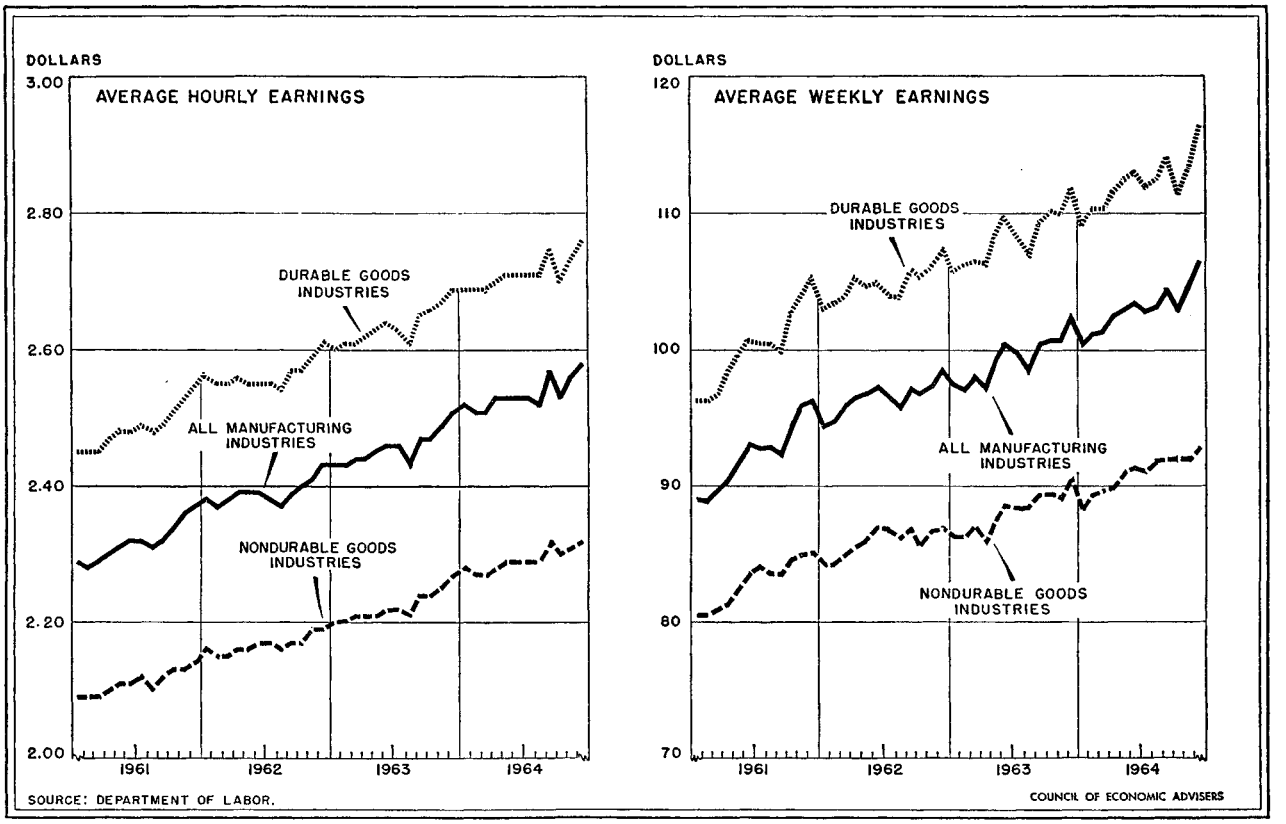
AVERAGE HOURLY AND WEEKLY EARNINGS - SELECTED INDUSTRIES

Average weekly earnings for production workers in manufacturing rose $1.85 in December to $106.55.



[For production workers or nonsupervisory employees]

Period	Average hourly earnings—current prices					Average weekly earnings—current prices					Manufacturing industries	
	Manufacturing industries			Contract construction	Retail trade	Manufacturing industries			Contract construction	Retail trade	Adjusted hourly earnings, 1957–59=100 [1]	Average weekly earnings, 1964 prices [2]
	All	Durable goods	Nondurable goods			All	Durable goods	Nondurable goods				
1955	1.86	1.99	1.67	2.45	1.34	75.70	82.19	66.63	90.90	53.06	86.9	$87.72
1956	1.95	2.08	1.77	2.57	1.40	78.78	85.28	70.09	96.38	54.74	91.5	89.93
1957	2.05	2.19	1.85	2.71	1.47	81.59	88.26	72.52	100.27	56.89	96.2	89.96
1958	2.11	2.26	1.91	2.82	1.52	82.71	89.27	74.11	103.78	58.82	100.2	88.74
1959	2.19	2.36	1.98	2.93	1.57	88.26	96.05	78.61	108.41	60.76	103.5	93.99
1960	2.26	2.43	2.05	3.08	1.62	89.72	97.44	80.36	113.04	62.37	106.8	94.05
1961	2.32	2.49	2.11	3.20	1.68	92.34	100.35	82.92	118.08	64.01	109.8	95.79
1962	2.39	2.56	2.17	3.31	1.74	96.56	104.70	85.93	122.47	65.95	112.5	99.04
1963	2.46	2.64	2.22	3.41	1.80	99.63	108.50	87.91	127.19	68.04	115.4	100.94
1964 [3]	2.54	2.71	2.29	3.55	1.87	103.38	112.19	90.91	131.71	69.94	118.3	103.38
1963: Nov.	2.49	2.67	2.25	3.43	1.83	100.85	110.00	89.10	124.51	68.26	116.8	101.46
Dec.	2.51	2.69	2.27	3.53	1.80	102.66	111.90	90.57	124.61	68.40	117.2	103.18
1964: Jan.	2.52	2.69	2.28	3.57	1.84	100.30	109.21	88.24	121.74	68.26	117.6	100.70
Feb.	2.51	2.69	2.27	3.53	1.85	101.15	110.29	89.44	126.37	68.82	117.7	101.66
Mar.	2.51	2.69	2.27	3.51	1.85	101.40	110.29	89.67	128.12	68.64	117.8	101.81
Apr.	2.53	2.70	2.28	3.52	1.86	102.47	111.51	89.83	130.24	69.19	118.1	102.78
May	2.53	2.71	2.29	3.50	1.87	102.97	112.47	90.91	132.65	69.75	118.2	103.28
June	2.53	2.71	2.29	3.49	1.87	103.48	113.01	91.37	133.32	70.50	118.3	103.58
July	2.53	2.71	2.29	3.53	1.87	102.97	111.92	91.14	134.49	71.62	118.3	102.76
Aug.	2.52	2.71	2.29	3.54	1.87	103.07	112.47	91.83	136.64	71.43	118.3	102.97
Sept.	2.57	2.75	2.32	3.58	1.89	104.60	114.13	91.87	131.03	70.50	119.3	104.29
Oct.	2.53	2.70	2.30	3.61	1.89	102.97	111.51	92.00	138.62	70.31	118.6	102.56
Nov. [3]	2.56	2.73	2.31	3.56	1.89	104.70	113.57	91.94	131.36	69.55	119.3	104.08
Dec. [3]	2.58	2.76	2.32	----------	----------	106.55	116.47	92.80	----------	----------	----------	105.91

[1] Earnings in current prices, adjusted to exclude overtime and interindustry shifts.
[2] Earnings in current prices divided by the consumer price index on a 1964 base.
[3] Preliminary.

NOTE.—Series revised, see note p. 14. Beginning 1959, data include Alaska and Hawaii.

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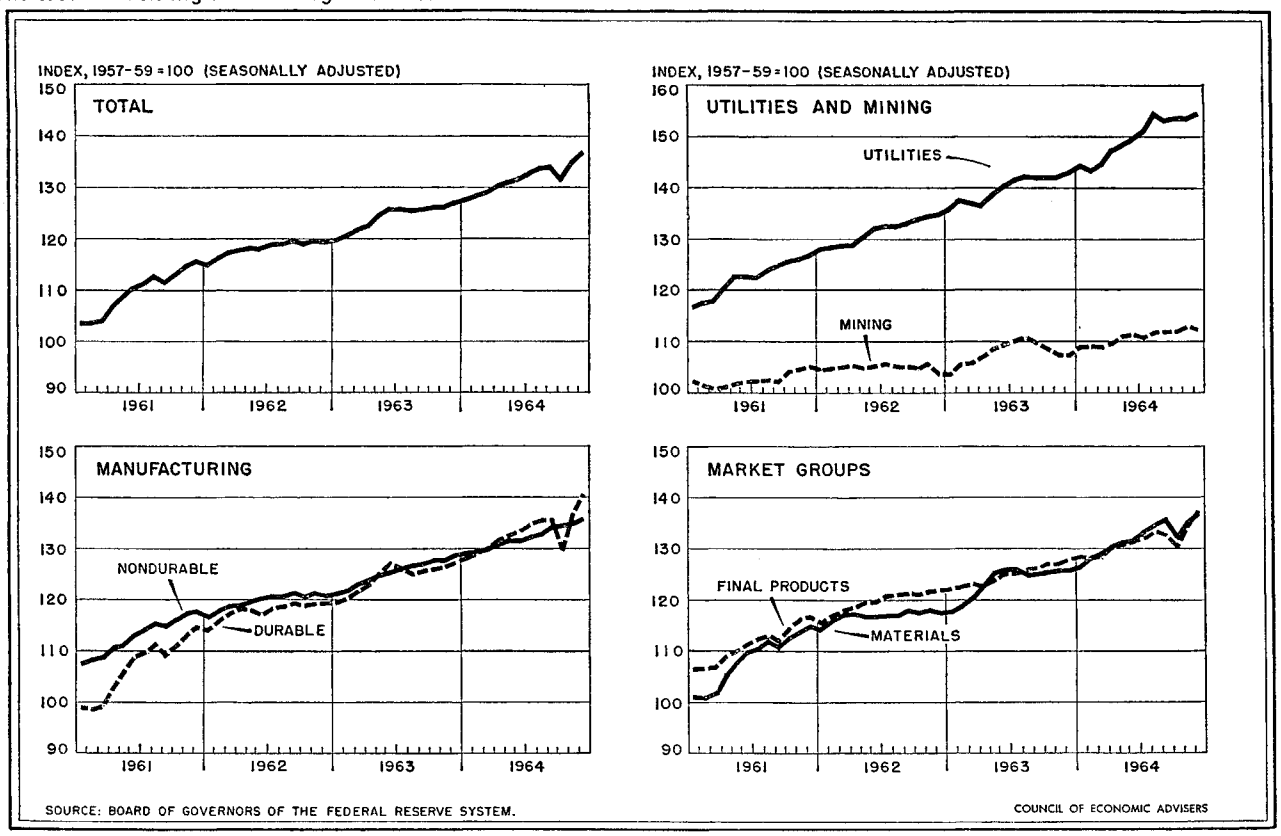
PRODUCTION AND BUSINESS ACTIVITY

INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION

The industrial production index rose 1½ percent in December to 137.0 (1957–59=100, seasonally adjusted). The over-the-year increase was 8 percent. The December gain was widespread among the industries, with durable manufactures accounting for the largest share.



[1957–59=100, seasonally adjusted]

Period	Total industrial production	Industry					Market			
		Manufacturing			Mining	Utilities	Final products			Materials
		Total	Durable	Nondurable			Total	Consumer goods	Equipment	
1955	96. 6	97. 3	101. 9	91. 6	99. 2	80. 2	93. 9	93. 3	95. 0	99. 0
1956	99. 9	100. 2	104. 0	95. 4	104. 8	87. 9	98. 1	95. 5	103. 7	101. 6
1957	100. 7	100. 8	104. 0	96. 7	104. 6	93. 9	99. 4	97. 0	104. 6	101. 9
1958	93. 7	93. 2	90. 3	96. 8	95. 6	98. 1	94. 8	96. 4	91. 3	92. 7
1959	105. 6	106. 0	105. 6	106. 5	99. 7	108. 0	105. 7	106. 6	104. 1	105. 4
1960	108. 7	108. 9	108. 5	109. 5	101. 6	115. 6	109. 9	111. 0	107. 6	107. 6
1961	109. 7	109. 6	107. 0	112. 9	102. 6	122. 3	111. 2	112. 6	108. 3	108. 4
1962	118. 3	118. 7	117. 9	119. 8	105. 0	131. 4	119. 7	119. 7	119. 6	117. 0
1963	124. 3	124. 9	124. 5	125. 3	107. 9	140. 0	124. 9	125. 2	124. 2	123. 7
1964	131. 9	132. 8	133. 2	132. 3	110. 9	150. 0	131. 5	131. 2	132. 1	132. 4
1963: Nov	126. 1	126. 9	126. 4	127. 6	107. 5	142. 1	127. 0	126. 9	127. 1	125. 7
Dec	127. 0	127. 9	127. 3	128. 7	107. 3	143. 0	128. 0	128. 0	128. 1	125. 9
1964: Jan	127. 7	128. 5	128. 1	128. 9	108. 8	144. 5	128. 5	128. 9	127. 9	126. 7
Feb	128. 2	129. 1	128. 9	129. 4	108. 9	143. 4	128. 1	128. 8	127. 1	128. 1
Mar	129. 0	129. 9	130. 0	129. 8	108. 8	144. 8	128. 7	128. 8	128. 8	129. 3
Apr	130. 5	131. 4	131. 6	131. 1	109. 9	147. 5	130. 6	130. 8	130. 7	130. 6
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July	132. 9	133. 9	135. 0	132. 5	110. 9	151. 4	132. 3	132. 1	132. 7	133. 6
Aug	133. 8	134. 5	135. 7	133. 1	111. 9	154. 5	133. 3	133. 1	133. 6	134. 7
Sept	134. 0	134. 9	135. 2	134. 4	111. 9	153. 2	132. 5	132. 0	133. 7	135. 6
Oct	131. 4	131. 8	129. 6	134. 5	111. 9	153. 6	130. 3	129. 2	132. 6	132. 1
Nov	134. 8	135. 7	136. 5	134. 7	112. 8	153. 5	134. 7	133. 7	136. 7	135. 4
Dec [1]	137. 0	138. 2	140. 2	135. 7	112. 3	154. 5	137. 3	136. 8	138. 5	136. 8

[1] Preliminary.

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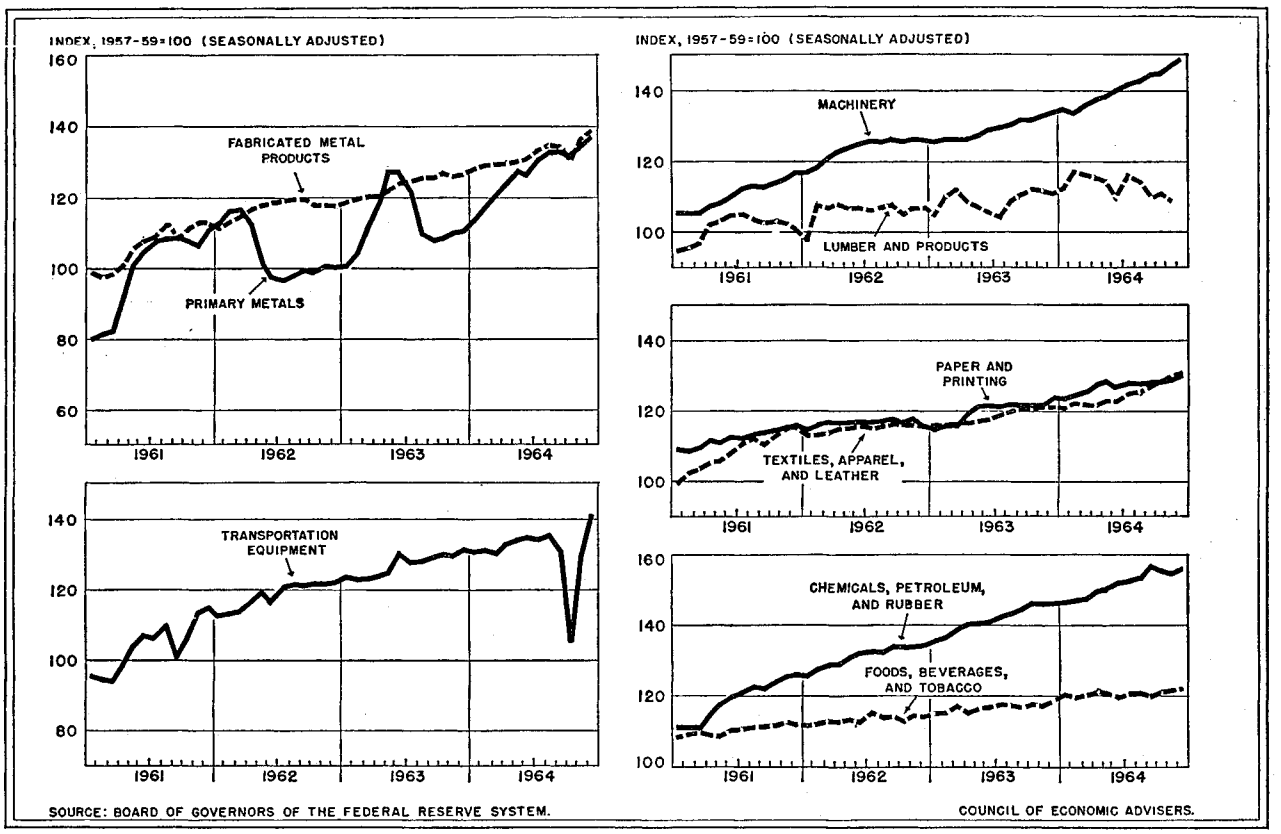
PRODUCTION OF SELECTED MANUFACTURES

In December, output of transportation equipment increased sharply as auto assemblies reached a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 9 million units. Output of most other manufactures also rose.



[1957–59=100, seasonally adjusted]

Period	Durable manufactures					Nondurable manufactures			
	Primary metals	Fabricated metal products	Machinery	Transportation equipment	Lumber and products	Textiles, apparel, and leather	Paper and printing	Chemicals, petroleum, and rubber	Foods, beverages, and tobacco
1955	118.4	98.3	96.5	102.0	109.5	95.5	92.5	86.8	93.1
1956	116.4	98.8	107.1	97.4	105.4	98.0	97.1	91.4	96.6
1957	112.2	101.5	104.2	106.4	95.9	96.9	97.8	95.6	96.7
1958	87.5	92.9	88.8	89.5	95.6	95.0	97.0	95.5	99.4
1959	100.4	105.5	107.1	104.0	108.5	108.1	105.2	108.9	103.9
1960	101.3	107.6	110.8	108.2	102.1	107.5	109.0	113.9	106.6
1961	98.9	106.5	110.4	103.6	101.3	108.4	112.4	118.9	110.2
1962	104.6	117.1	123.5	118.3	106.1	115.1	116.7	131.2	113.3
1963	113.3	123.4	129.2	127.0	108.9	118.5	120.1	141.8	116.8
1964	128.1	132.6	140.9	130.7	113.1	125.0	127.5	151.9	120.4
1963: Nov	109.7	126.0	132.8	129.6	111.8	121.3	121.7	146.0	117.1
Dec	110.5	126.8	133.9	131.3	111.0	121.3	123.9	146.3	118.8
1964: Jan	113.6	128.2	134.7	130.8	112.2	120.7	123.4	146.4	120.2
Feb	117.6	129.0	133.6	131.1	117.3	122.4	124.5	146.9	119.5
Mar	120.9	129.3	135.9	130.1	116.1	121.7	125.4	147.4	120.2
Apr	123.8	129.5	137.5	133.0	115.4	121.6	127.5	149.5	121.2
May	127.1	130.3	138.5	134.1	114.9	123.5	128.2	150.0	120.7
June	126.1	130.6	140.1	134.9	109.0	122.9	126.6	152.1	119.5
July	131.2	133.3	141.9	134.3	116.1	124.9	128.0	152.3	120.5
Aug	132.8	134.8	142.8	135.3	114.1	126.0	127.9	153.6	120.5
Sept	132.8	134.3	144.1	130.9	109.7	126.8	128.2	156.9	120.0
Oct	131.9	130.8	144.7	105.3	110.8	128.5	128.5	155.4	120.9
Nov	134.2	136.9	146.9	129.5	108.7	129.9	128.8	154.7	121.7
Dec [1]	137	139	149	141	--------	131	130	156	122

[1] Preliminary.

Source: Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

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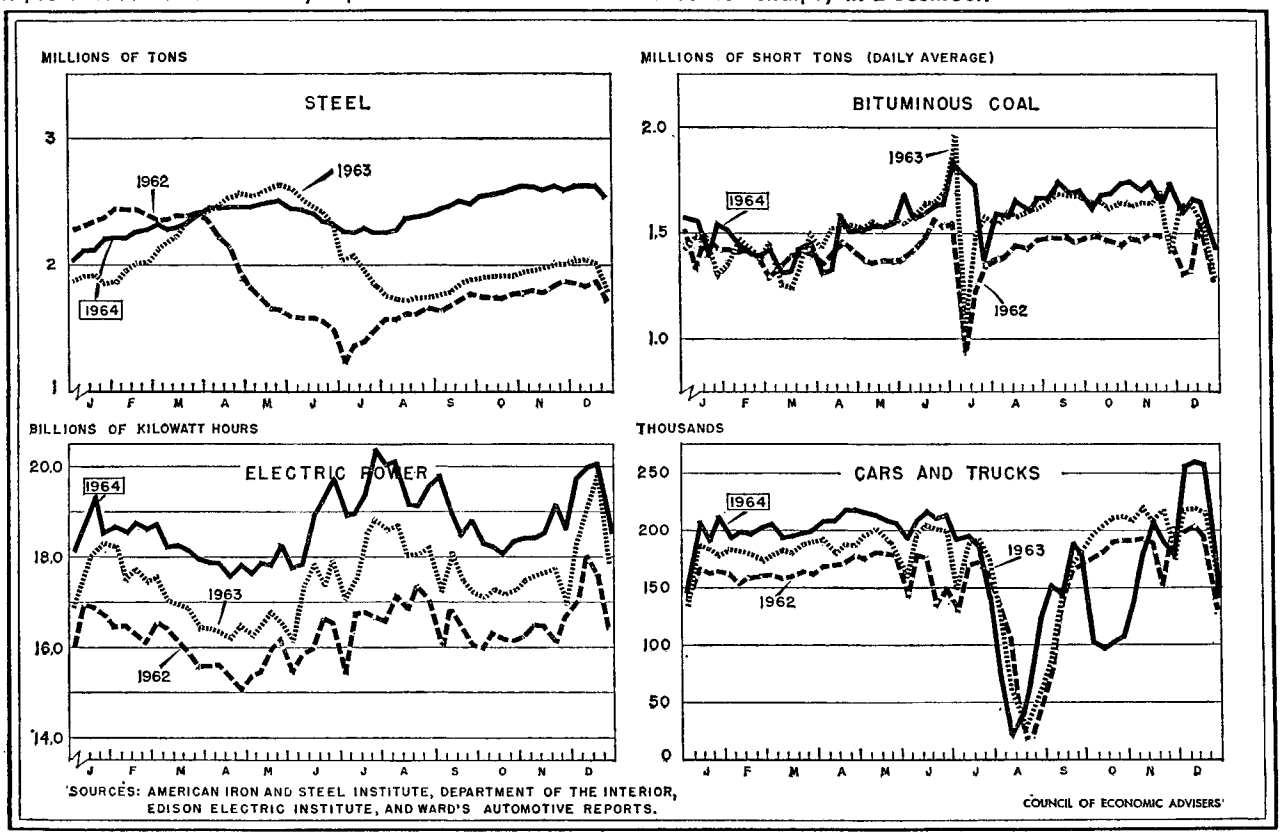
WEEKLY INDICATORS OF PRODUCTION

Although steel production declined slightly in December 1964, the total output for the year was a record, exceeding its previous record in 1955 by 8 percent. Auto assemblies increased sharply in December.



Period	Steel produced: Thousands of net tons	Steel produced: Index (1957–59=100)	Electric power distributed (millions of kilowatt-hours)	Bituminous coal mined (thousands of short tons) [1]	Freight loaded (thousands of cars)	Paperboard produced (thousands of tons)	Cars and trucks assembled (thousands): Total	Cars	Trucks
Weekly average:									
1958	1,635	87.8	12,082	1,380	581	274	98.4	81.6	16.8
1959	1,792	96.2	13,297	1,380	596	307	129.5	107.6	21.9
1960	1,899	101.9	14,424	1,390	585	306	151.8	128.8	23.0
1961	1,880	100.9	15,139	1,353	550	322	127.9	106.1	21.8
1962	1,886	101.2	16,325	1,414	552	343	157.5	133.4	24.1
1963	2,096	112.5	17,490	1,535	555	358	175.0	146.9	28.1
1964	2,427	130.3	18,727	1,607	566	383	177.3	147.5	29.7
1963: Nov	1,979	106.2	17,482	1,559	559	373	205.5	175.7	29.8
Dec	1,980	106.3	18,792	1,563	493	325	202.0	173.3	28.7
1964: Jan	2,148	115.3	18,722	1,555	517	349	189.9	159.8	30.1
Feb	2,289	122.8	18,668	1,392	526	386	201.2	168.4	32.7
Mar	2,367	127.1	18,144	1,415	526	384	196.6	164.0	32.6
Apr	2,459	132.0	17,770	1,476	554	386	214.0	178.5	35.5
May	2,494	133.9	17,914	1,531	586	391	204.9	171.6	33.4
June	2,371	127.3	18,948	1,651	601	390	213.0	177.0	36.0
July	2,284	122.6	19,546	1,711	537	351	158.8	131.4	27.5
Aug	2,371	127.3	19,470	1,630	589	403	64.3	41.5	22.9
Sept	2,490	133.6	18,867	1,757	603	388	152.8	126.6	26.2
Oct	2,608	140.0	18,268	1,684	644	404	112.1	93.5	18.5
Nov	2,629	141.1	18,685	1,721	594	391	189.1	160.7	28.5
Dec [2]	2,617	140.5	19,729	1,609	529	371	228.7	196.0	32.7
Week ended:									
1964: Dec 19	2,645	142.0	20,580	1,648	546	399	255.9	219.7	36.3
26	2,557	137.3	18,537	1,432	417	[3] 543	142.9	121.3	21.5
1965: Jan 2 [5]	2,620	140.6	18,767	1,570	431	----------	142.7	119.3	23.3
9 [5]	2,656	142.6	20,072	1,618	538	[4] 340	247.9	213.3	34.6
16 [2 5]	2,670	143.3	20,435	1,568	539	406	243.4	207.1	36.3
23 [2 5]	2,680	143.9	----------	----------	----------	406	246.3	209.2	37.1

[1] Daily average. Includes data for Alaska.
[2] Preliminary.
[3] Covers period Dec. 19–31, 1964.
[4] Covers period Jan. 1–9, 1965.
[5] Not charted.

Sources: American Iron and Steel Institute, Edison Electric Institute, Department of the Interior, Association of American Railroads, National Paperboard Association, and Ward's Automotive Reports.

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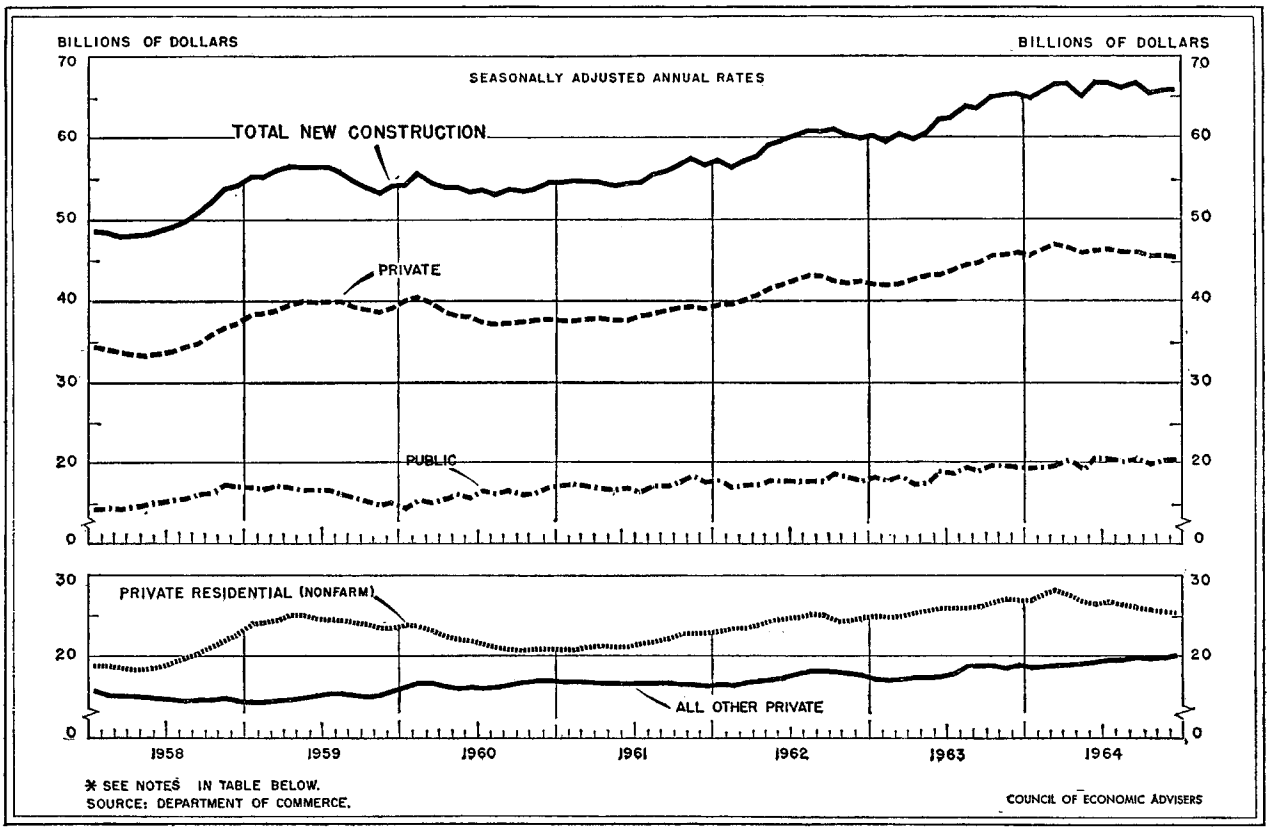
NEW CONSTRUCTION

New construction outlays (seasonally adjusted) changed little from November to December. Outlays in 1964 were about 6 percent larger than in 1963, reflecting increases in public and in private nonresidential outlays.



Period	Total new construction expenditures	Private						Federal, State, and local	Construction contracts[3]	
		Total	Residential nonfarm			Commercial and industrial	Other		Total value (index, 1957–59=100)	Commercial and industrial floor space (millions of square feet)
			Total[1]	New housing units	Additions and alterations[2]					
	Billions of dollars									
1959	55.3	39.2	24.3	19.2	4.3	6.0	8.9	16.1	105.1	440
1960	53.9	38.1	21.7	16.4	----------	7.0	9.3	15.9	105.2	461
1961	55.4	38.3	21.7	16.2	----------	7.5	9.2	17.1	107.6	443
1962	59.5	41.7	24.3	18.6	----------	7.9	9.5	17.8	119.7	500
1963	62.5	43.8	25.8	20.1	----------	8.2	9.8	18.7	132.0	534
1964[4]	65.9	45.9	26.5	20.5	----------	9.0	10.4	20.0	----------	----------
	Seasonally adjusted annual rates								*Seasonally adjusted*	*Seasonally adjusted annual rates*
1963: Nov	65.1	45.5	27.0	21.1	----------	8.6	9.9	19.6	144	518
Dec	65.2	45.8	26.9	21.0	----------	8.7	10.2	19.4	148	530
1964: Jan	64.7	45.4	26.9	21.0	----------	8.6	10.0	19.2	147	620
Feb	65.5	46.3	27.6	21.7	----------	8.6	10.1	19.3	143	630
Mar	66.5	46.9	28.1	22.3	----------	8.7	10.1	19.6	140	578
Apr	66.6	46.4	27.5	21.6	----------	8.6	10.3	20.2	138	658
May	65.0	45.8	26.7	20.7	----------	8.7	10.4	19.2	138	555
June	66.6	46.0	26.6	20.6	----------	8.8	10.6	20.6	138	579
July	66.6	46.3	26.7	20.7	----------	8.9	10.6	20.4	140	643
Aug	66.0	45.9	26.3	20.3	----------	9.1	10.4	20.1	121	556
Sept	66.5	45.9	26.0	19.9	----------	9.3	10.6	20.6	131	605
Oct	65.3	45.5	25.7	19.6	----------	9.3	10.5	19.8	136	658
Nov[4]	65.7	45.5	25.6	19.6	----------	9.4	10.5	20.2	143	587
Dec[4]	65.7	45.4	25.4	19.5	----------	9.4	10.6	20.3	----------	----------

[1] Includes nonhousekeeping residential construction, not shown separately.
[2] Not available for revised series beginning 1960.
[3] Compiled by F. W. Dodge Corporation and relates to 48 States.
[4] Preliminary.

NOTE.—Data for Alaska and Hawaii included beginning January 1959.
Sources: Department of Commerce and F. W. Dodge Corporation.

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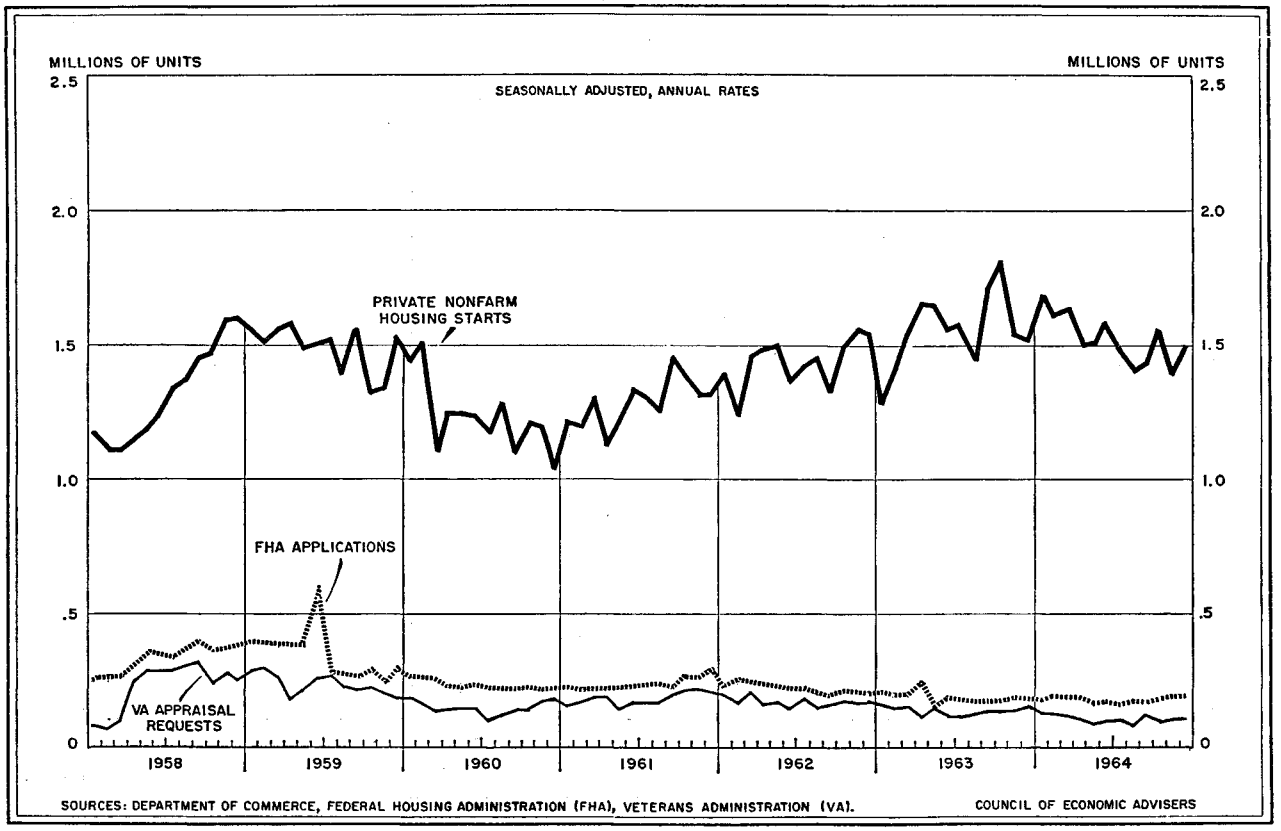
NEW HOUSING STARTS AND APPLICATIONS FOR FINANCING

In December 1964, private nonfarm housing starts (seasonally adjusted) rose about 7 percent, and were close to the level of October 1964 and of December 1963; for the year as a whole, they were 4 percent lower than in 1963. Permits issued for new housing during 1964 were about 5 percent below 1963.



[Thousands of units]

Period	Housing starts: Total private and public (including farm)	Housing starts: Total private (including farm)	Housing starts: Private nonfarm: Total	Housing starts: Private nonfarm: One-family	Housing starts: Private nonfarm: Two or more families	Housing starts: Total private (including farm)	Housing starts: Private nonfarm: Total	Housing starts: Private nonfarm: Government home programs: FHA	Housing starts: Private nonfarm: Government home programs: VA	New private housing units authorized [1]	Proposed home construction: Applications for FHA commitments [2]	Proposed home construction: Requests for VA appraisals [2]
1958	--------	--------	1,314.2	--------	--------	--------	1,314.2	270.3	102.1	--------	341.7	234.2
1959	1,553.5	1,516.8	1,494.6	1,211.9	282.7	1,516.8	1,494.6	307.0	109.3	1,208.3	369.7	234.0
1960	1,296.0	1,252.1	1,230.1	972.3	257.8	1,252.1	1,230.1	225.7	74.6	998.0	242.4	142.9
1961	1,365.0	1,313.0	1,284.8	946.4	338.4	1,313.0	1,284.8	198.8	83.3	1,064.2	243.8	177.8
1962	1,492.4	1,462.8	1,439.1	967.8	471.3	1,462.8	1,439.1	197.3	77.8	1,186.6	221.1	171.2
1963	1,640.9	1,609.2	1,581.7	993.2	588.5	1,609.2	1,581.7	166.2	71.0	1,334.7	190.2	139.3
1964 [3]	1,575.7	1,543.9	1,516.9	945.9	571.0	1,543.9	1,516.9	154.0	59.2	1,273.8	182.1	113.6
						Seasonally adjusted annual rates						
1963: Nov.	122.3	120.5	117.9	69.7	48.2	1,577	1,544	153	67	1,359	190	145
Dec.	97.4	95.7	93.4	48.6	44.8	1,570	1,524	157	73	1,402	183	159
1964: Jan.	100.8	99.6	98.3	53.8	44.5	1,718	1,688	158	75	1,333	178	138
Feb.	101.1	100.3	97.7	61.1	36.6	1,657	1,613	192	83	1,404	193	135
Mar.	133.3	130.1	128.3	80.4	47.9	1,663	1,638	165	68	1,377	190	124
Apr.	152.3	148.5	145.7	87.8	57.9	1,531	1,501	146	60	1,280	190	111
May	160.5	157.5	155.2	98.9	56.3	1,529	1,507	174	61	1,271	173	99
June	164.0	158.5	155.8	99.2	56.6	1,611	1,585	152	60	1,306	177	103
July	145.1	142.7	140.4	89.4	51.0	1,505	1,483	145	56	1,242	162	109
Aug.	144.8	141.6	139.0	87.6	51.4	1,430	1,408	142	52	1,281	176	88
Sept.	126.0	122.6	120.5	77.4	43.1	1,457	1,433	136	52	1,222	174	121
Oct.	143.1	141.0	138.5	87.9	50.5	1,591	1,559	146	50	1,220	183	112
Nov. [3]	111.4	109.4	107.3	66.8	40.5	1,430	1,404	152	57	1,258	194	118
Dec. [3]	93.3	92.1	90.2	55.6	34.6	1,541	1,502	151	53	1,154	193	118

[1] Authorized by issuance of local building permit; in 10,000 permit-issuing places prior to 1963, and 12,000 or more thereafter.
[2] Units represented by mortgage applications for new home construction.
[3] Preliminary.

NOTE.—Data include Alaska and Hawaii.

Sources: Department of Commerce, Federal Housing Administration (FHA) and Veterans Administration (VA).

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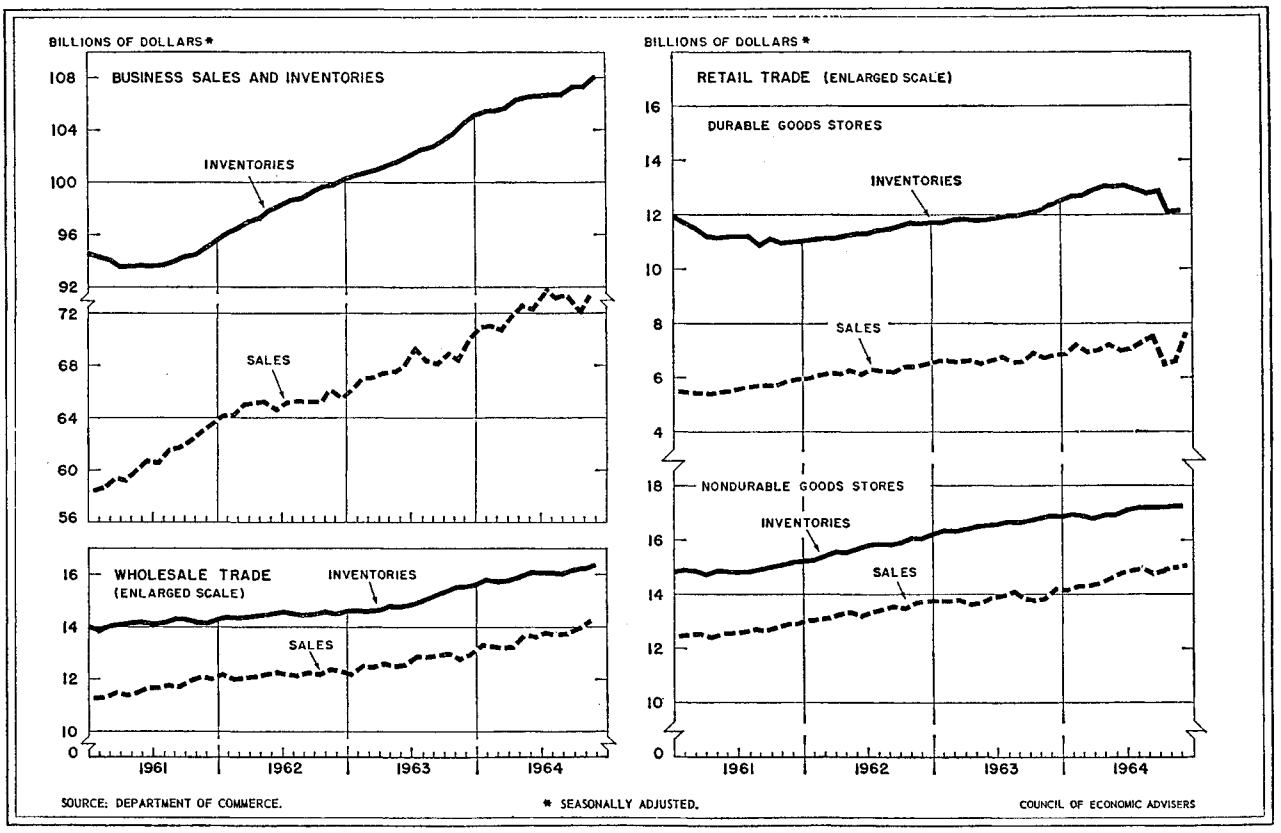
BUSINESS SALES AND INVENTORIES—Total and Trade

According to the advance report, retail sales (seasonally adjusted) in December 1964 recorded gains of 5.4 percent over November and of 8.5 percent over a year earlier.



Period	Total business [1]		Wholesale [4]		Retail [5]					
					Sales [2]			Inventories [3]		
	Sales [2]	Inventories [3]	Sales [2]	Inventories [3]	Total	Durable goods stores	Nondurable goods stores	Total	Durable goods stores	Nondurable goods stores
	Millions of dollars, seasonally adjusted									
1957	55,878	89,052	10,475	12,730	16,667	5,696	10,971	24,451	11,283	13,168
1958	54,232	86,922	10,257	12,739	16,696	5,284	11,412	24,113	10,526	13,587
1959	59,583	91,964	11,413	13,952	17,951	5,972	11,979	25,305	11,044	14,261
1960	60,530	94,610	11,440	13,983	18,294	5,894	12,400	26,813	11,951	14,862
1961	60,747	95,576	11,629	14,251	18,234	5,608	12,626	26,238	11,019	15,219
1962	65,078	100,271	12,158	14,580	19,613	6,245	13,367	27,938	11,728	16,210
1963	68,002	105,127	12,692	15,597	20,536	6,675	13,861	29,383	12,509	16,874
1964 [6]	72,634	107,995	13,734	16,360	21,800	7,100	14,700	29,348	12,053	17,295
1963: Oct	68,884	103,731	12,954	15,488	20,716	6,941	13,775	28,921	12,116	16,805
Nov	68,338	104,529	12,776	15,495	20,558	6,734	13,824	29,254	12,341	16,913
Dec	70,026	105,127	12,986	15,597	21,019	6,831	14,188	29,383	12,509	16,874
1964: Jan	70,992	105,432	13,315	15,818	21,000	6,855	14,145	29,608	12,666	16,942
Feb	71,013	105,428	13,245	15,719	21,533	7,262	14,271	29,586	12,708	16,878
Mar	70,649	105,721	13,204	15,734	21,223	6,939	14,284	29,661	12,913	16,748
Apr	71,787	106,371	13,228	15,879	21,392	7,010	14,382	29,961	13,045	16,916
May	72,660	106,507	13,697	16,053	21,777	7,218	14,559	29,926	13,024	16,902
June	72,187	106,621	13,623	16,043	21,773	7,002	14,771	30,180	13,079	17,101
July	73,693	106,634	13,795	16,017	21,935	7,060	14,875	30,129	12,924	17,205
Aug	73,204	106,716	13,770	15,986	22,266	7,324	14,942	29,967	12,762	17,205
Sept	73,358	107,323	13,792	16,222	22,254	7,541	14,713	30,082	12,867	17,215
Oct	72,131	107,320	13,937	16,276	21,383	6,496	14,887	29,267	12,038	17,229
Nov [7]	73,451	107,995	14,245	16,360	21,631	6,704	14,927	29,348	12,053	17,295
Dec [7]					22,808	7,767	15,041			

[1] The term "business" here includes wholesale, retail, and manufacturing trade (see page 22).
[2] Monthly average for year and total for month.
[3] Book value, end of period, seasonally adjusted.
[4] Beginning 1961, data include Alaska and Hawaii.
[5] Beginning 1960, data include Alaska and Hawaii.
[6] Preliminary, data for year calculated on basis of no change from November.
[7] Preliminary.

Source: Department of Commerce.

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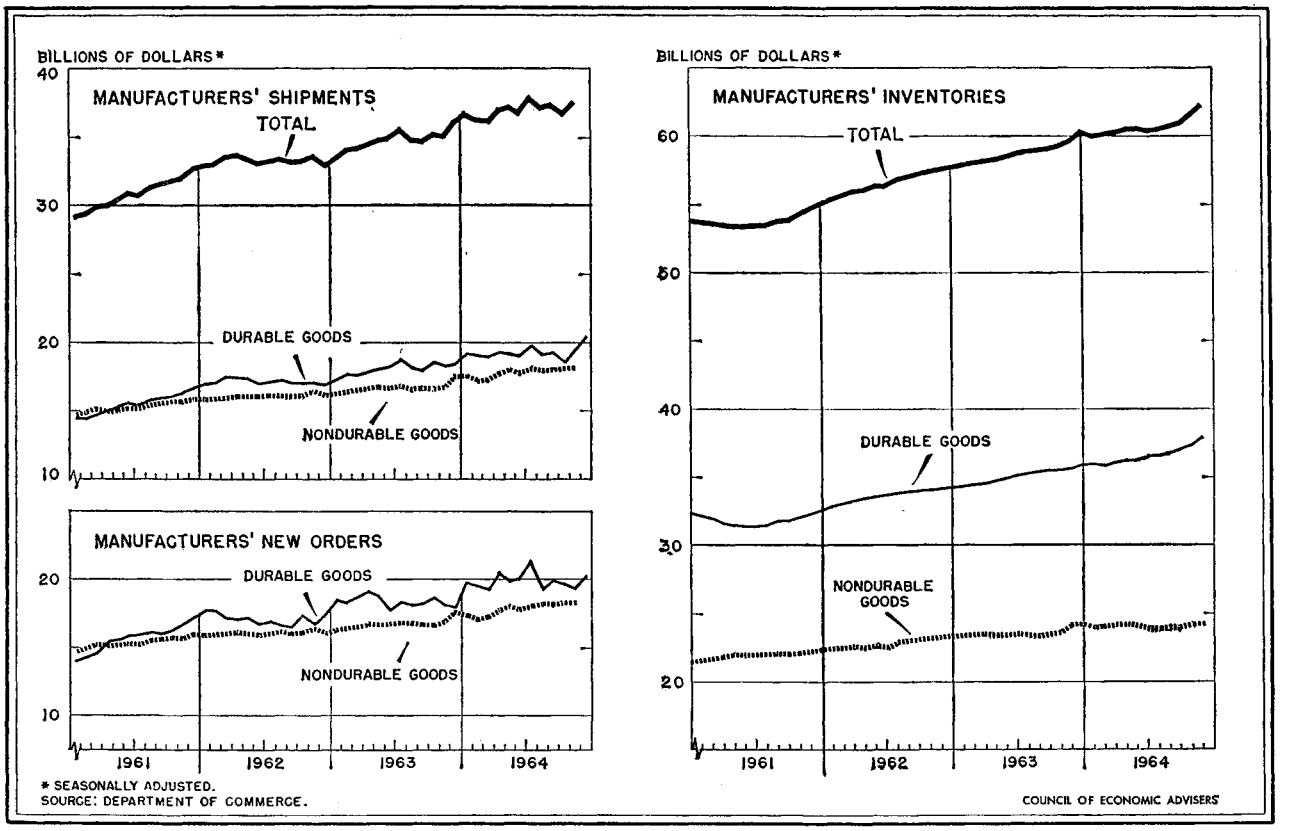
MANUFACTURERS' SHIPMENTS, INVENTORIES, AND NEW ORDERS

According to preliminary estimates, manufacturers' shipments and new orders of durable goods advanced strongly in December (on a seasonally adjusted basis) from their November levels.



Period	Manufacturers' shipments [1]			Manufacturers' inventories [2]			Manufacturers' new orders [1]				Manufacturers' inventory-shipments ratio [3]
	Total	Durable goods	Nondurable goods	Total	Durable goods	Nondurable goods	Total	Durable goods: Total	Durable goods: Machinery and equipment	Nondurable goods	
	Millions of dollars, seasonally adjusted										
1957	28,736	15,237	13,499	51,871	31,728	20,143	27,514	14,073	2,566	13,441	1.80
1958	27,280	13,572	13,708	50,070	30,095	19,975	26,901	13,170	2,354	13,731	1.84
1959	30,219	15,544	14,675	52,707	31,839	20,868	30,679	15,951	2,878	14,728	1.70
1960	30,796	15,817	14,979	53,814	32,360	21,454	30,115	15,223	2,791	14,892	1.76
1961	30,884	15,532	15,352	55,087	32,646	22,441	31,061	15,664	2,854	15,397	1.74
1962	33,308	17,184	16,124	57,753	34,326	23,427	33,167	17,085	3,090	16,082	1.70
1963	34,774	18,071	16,704	60,147	36,028	24,119	35,036	18,300	3,326	16,736	1.69
1964 [4]	37,100	19,200	17,900	62,287	37,938	24,349	37,700	19,800	3,700	17,900	1.64
1963: Nov	35,004	18,272	16,732	59,780	35,704	24,076	34,953	18,113	3,273	16,840	1.71
Dec	36,021	18,476	17,545	60,147	36,028	24,119	35,619	17,974	3,612	17,645	1.67
1964: Jan	36,677	19,144	17,533	60,006	35,970	24,036	37,148	19,740	3,617	17,408	1.64
Feb	36,235	19,027	17,208	60,123	35,960	24,163	36,657	19,499	3,413	17,158	1.66
Mar	36,222	18,887	17,335	60,326	36,079	24,247	36,547	19,262	3,455	17,285	1.67
Apr	37,167	19,359	17,808	60,531	36,277	24,254	38,184	20,461	3,610	17,723	1.63
May	37,186	19,138	18,048	60,528	36,300	24,228	37,893	19,945	3,929	17,948	1.63
June	36,791	19,023	17,768	60,398	36,492	23,906	37,782	20,016	3,916	17,766	1.64
July	37,963	19,861	18,102	60,488	36,597	23,891	39,315	21,254	3,774	18,061	1.59
Aug	37,168	19,164	18,004	60,763	36,790	23,973	37,509	19,342	3,772	18,167	1.63
Sept	37,312	19,284	18,028	61,019	37,037	23,982	38,018	19,907	3,686	18,111	1.64
Oct	36,811	18,633	18,178	61,777	37,517	24,260	37,846	19,623	3,786	18,223	1.68
Nov [5]	37,575	19,345	18,230	62,287	37,938	24,349	37,682	19,420	3,895	18,262	1.66
Dec [5]		20,407						20,309	3,867		

[1] Monthly average for year and total for month.
[2] Book value, end of period, seasonally adjusted.
[3] For annual periods, ratio of weighted average inventories to average monthly shipments; for monthly data, ratio of inventories at end of month to shipments for month.
[4] Preliminary, data for year calculated on basis of no change from November.
[5] Preliminary.

Source: Department of Commerce.

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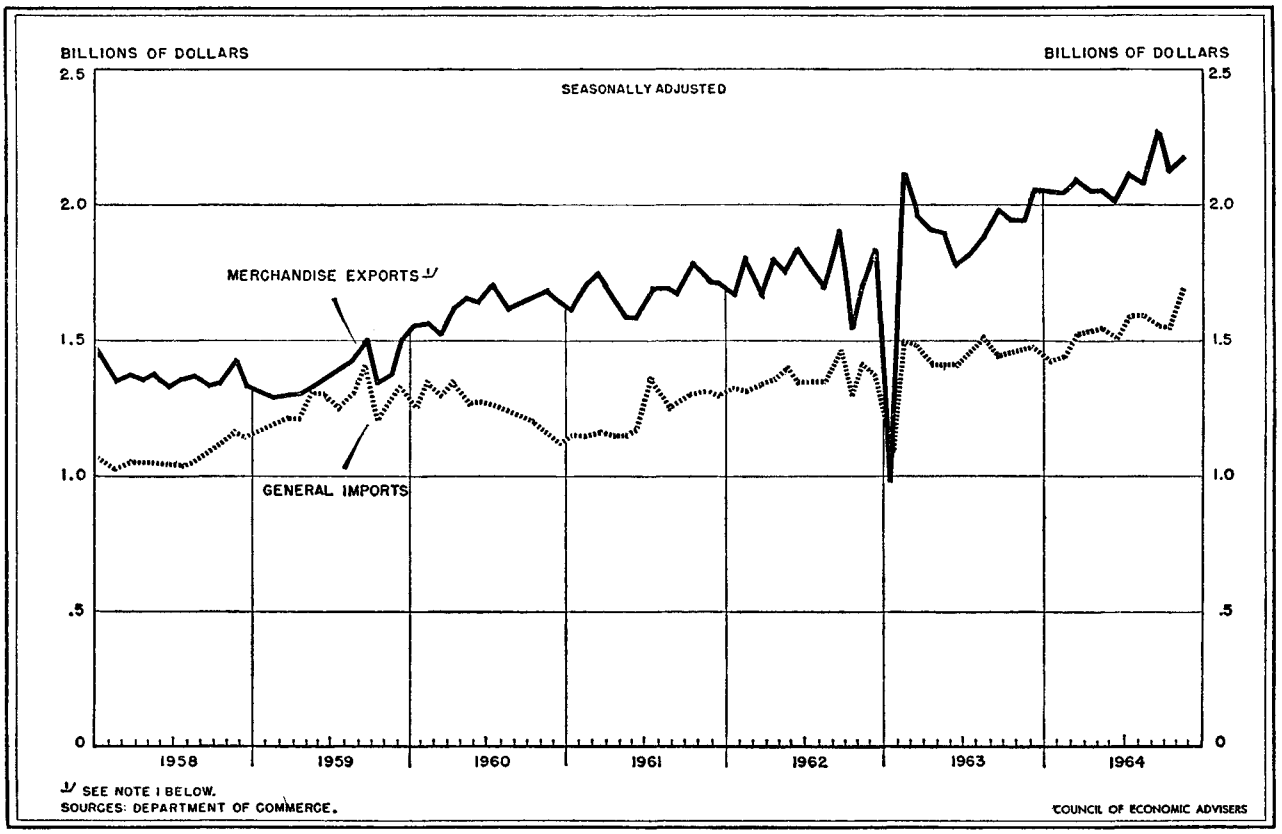
MERCHANDISE EXPORTS AND IMPORTS

Exports increased moderately in November, while imports rose sharply to a new record high. As a result, the seasonally adjusted trade surplus declined further by almost $100 million, to the lowest monthly level of the past year.



[Millions of dollars]

Period	Merchandise exports						Merchandise imports						Merchandise trade surplus, seasonally adjusted
	Total (including reexports)[1]		Domestic exports				General imports[2]		Imports for consumption[3]				
	Seasonally adjusted	Unadjusted	Total[1]	Foodstuffs	Industrial materials	Finished manufactures[1]	*Seasonally adjusted*	Unadjusted	Total[4]	Foodstuffs	Industrial materials	Finished manufactures	
Monthly average:													
1957	-------	1,625	1,611	208	530	872	-------	1,105	1,102	274	534	294	520
1958	-------	1,364	1,351	198	368	784	-------	1,105	1,101	288	489	326	259
1959	-------	1,366	1,352	210	366	776	-------	1,302	1,284	285	569	431	64
1960	-------	1,633	1,617	230	510	877	-------	1,251	1,251	274	539	438	382
1961	-------	1,679	1,659	254	486	919	-------	1,226	1,221	277	522	423	453
1962	-------	1,745	1,723	281	440	1,002	-------	1,366	1,354	297	561	496	379
1963	-------	1,863	1,839	314	494	1,031	-------	1,429	1,417	310	574	532	434
1964[5]	-------	2,093	2,064	348	566	1,150	-------	1,540	1,536	316	615	605	553
		Unadjusted						Unadjusted					
1963: Oct	*1,952*	2,029	2,005	354	575	1,076	*1,459*	1,591	1,578	367	600	612	*493*
Nov	*1,952*	2,036	2,011	363	574	1,074	*1,465*	1,425	1,421	316	538	567	*487*
Dec	*2,055*	2,098	2,075	364	588	1,122	*1,478*	1,530	1,509	356	599	554	*577*
1964: Jan	*2,048*	2,031	2,004	355	554	1,095	*1,422*	1,447	1,465	294	617	553	*621*
Feb	*2,036*	2,001	1,973	347	534	1,092	*1,445*	1,338	1,322	267	561	494	*591*
Mar	*2,086*	2,136	2,108	364	550	1,193	*1,523*	1,592	1,567	353	613	601	*563*
Apr	*2,055*	2,130	2,093	367	540	1,186	*1,542*	1,562	1,555	342	611	603	*513*
May	*2,062*	2,215	2,184	378	562	1,243	*1,548*	1,458	1,434	297	581	556	*514*
June	*2,013*	2,040	2,008	308	557	1,143	*1,506*	1,596	1,577	303	632	642	*507*
July	*2,118*	2,046	2,020	294	592	1,134	*1,590*	1,612	1,615	294	659	662	*528*
Aug	*2,085*	1,897	1,869	308	515	1,045	*1,592*	1,492	1,491	280	625	585	*493*
Sept	*2,271*	2,085	2,058	348	569	1,141	*1,558*	1,562	1,568	320	614	634	*713*
Oct	*2,134*	2,255	2,226	367	638	1,221	*1,551*	1,613	1,644	351	628	665	*583*
Nov	*2,184*	2,183	2,158	390	615	1,154	*1,698*	1,672	1,655	379	620	656	*486*

[1] Total exports less Department of Defense shipments of grant-aid military supplies and equipment under the Military Assistance Program.
[2] Imports for immediate consumption plus entries into bonded warehouses.
[3] Imports for immediate consumption plus withdrawals for consumption from bonded warehouses.
[4] Data through 1959 have been adjusted to include imports of uranium ore.
[5] Preliminary, based on data for January–November.

Source: Department of Commerce.

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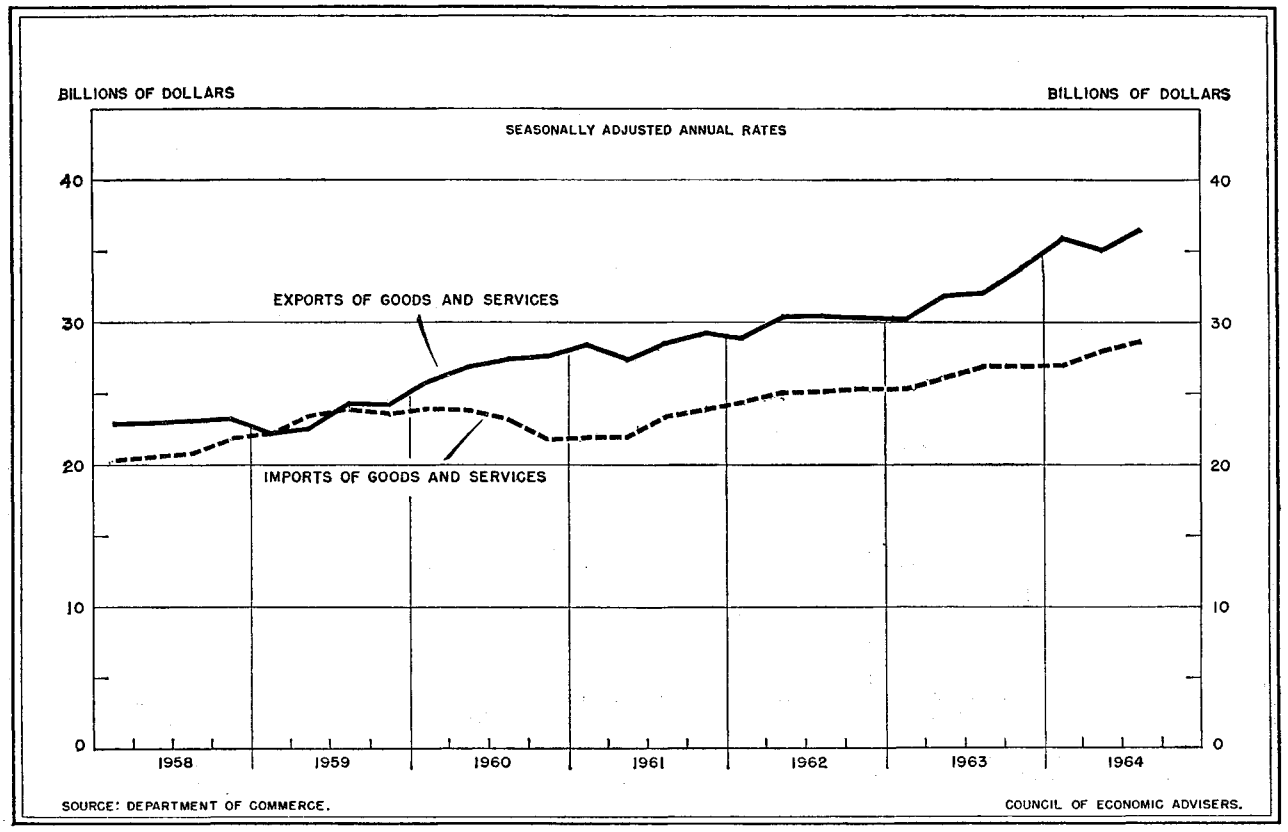
U.S. EXPORTS AND IMPORTS OF GOODS AND SERVICES

The surplus on goods and services increased 7 percent to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of almost $7.9 billion in the third quarter of 1964. Merchandise exports sharply reversed the previous quarter's decline while imports continued to rise, but at a slightly slower rate.



[Millions of dollars]

Period	Exports of goods and services							Imports of goods and services				Balance on goods and services
	Total	Merchandise [1]	Military sales	Income on investments: Private	Income on investments: Government	Other services	Addendum: Goods and services financed by Govt. grants and capital	Total	Merchandise [1]	Military expenditures	Other services	
1957	26, 481	19, 390	375	2, 612	205	3, 899	(2)	20, 752	13, 291	3, 216	4, 245	5, 729
1958	23, 067	16, 264	300	2, 538	307	3, 658	(2)	20, 861	12, 952	3, 435	4, 474	2, 206
1959	23, 476	16, 282	302	2, 694	349	3, 849	(2)	23, 342	15, 310	3, 107	4, 925	134
1960	27, 044	19, 459	335	2, 911	349	3, 990	2, 239	23, 193	14, 723	3, 048	5, 422	3, 851
1961	28, 438	19, 913	402	3, 464	380	4, 279	2, 687	22, 852	14, 497	2, 954	5, 401	5, 586
1962	30, 084	20, 576	656	3, 850	471	4, 531	2, 908	25, 021	16, 134	3, 044	5, 843	5, 063
1963	32, 020	21, 989	659	3, 969	498	4, 905	3, 338	26, 335	16, 996	2, 897	6, 442	5, 685
	Seasonally adjusted annual rates											
1963: I	30, 140	19, 960	724	4, 144	492	4, 820	2, 984	25, 308	16, 148	2, 988	6, 172	4, 832
II	31, 908	21, 888	824	3, 876	496	4, 824	4, 020	26, 124	16, 848	2, 924	6, 352	5, 784
III	32, 148	22, 440	468	3, 852	500	4, 888	3, 044	26, 932	17, 472	2, 844	6, 616	5, 216
IV	33, 884	23, 668	620	4, 004	504	5, 088	3, 304	26, 976	17, 516	2, 832	6, 628	6, 908
1964: I	36,000	24,448	840	4,900	524	5,288	3,048	26,992	17,464	2,868	6,660	9,008
II	35,356	24,144	604	4,776	528	5,304	3,540	28,032	18,304	2,912	6,816	7,324
III [3]	36,656	25,448	716	4,656	532	5,304	3,500	28,804	18,988	2,736	7,080	7,852

[1] Adjusted from customs data for differences in timing and coverage.
[2] Not available.
[3] Preliminary.

Source: Department of Commerce.

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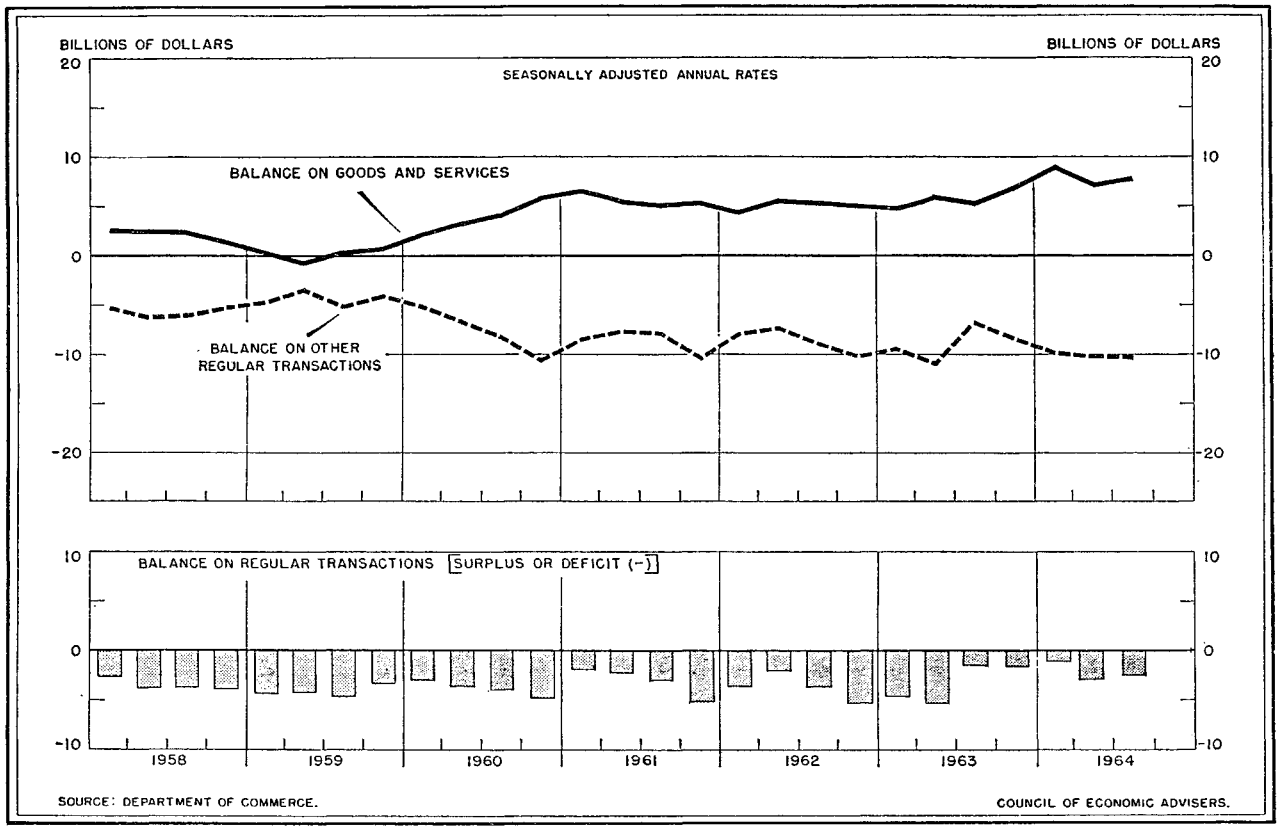
U.S. BALANCE OF INTERNATIONAL PAYMENTS

The U.S. deficit on regular transactions declined in the third quarter of 1964 to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of $2.3 billion. A larger trade surplus, combined with some reduction in Government grants and capital outflows and reduced level of direct investment abroad, contributed to this improvement.



[Millions of dollars]

Period	U.S. Government grants and capital, net [1]	U.S. private capital, net: Direct investment	U.S. private capital, net: Long-term portfolio [2]	U.S. private capital, net: Short-term	Foreign capital, net [3]	Errors and unrecorded transactions	Balance on regular transactions [4]	Selected special Government transactions [5]	Changes in selected liabilities (decrease (−)) [6]: To foreign official holders [7]: Special nonmarketable, convertible bonds and notes	Changes in selected liabilities (decrease (−)) [6]: To foreign official holders [7]: Other	Changes in selected liabilities (decrease (−)) [6]: To other foreign holders [8]	Changes in gold, convertible currencies, and IMF gold tranche position (increase (−))
1957	−2,574	−2,442	−859	−276	487	1,157	520	--------	--------	20	625	−1,165
1958	−2,587	−1,181	−1,444	−311	22	488	−3,529	--------	--------	735	502	2,292
1959	−2,421	−1,372	−926	−77	863	412	−4,178	435	--------	1,248	1,460	1,035
1960	−2,781	−1,674	−863	−1,348	341	−772	−3,918	37	--------	1,449	289	2,143
1961	−3,396	−1,599	−1,025	−1,556	622	−998	−3,071	701	--------	681	1,083	606
1962	−3,547	−1,654	−1,227	−553	162	−1,111	−3,605	1,402	--------	457	213	1,533
1963	−3,785	−1,888	−1,685	−734	311	−339	−3,261	617	702	970	594	378
	Seasonally adjusted annual rates							Quarterly, totals unadjusted				
1963:												
I	−3,596	−2,472	−2,184	144	−96	−472	−4,680	108	350	−74	397	32
II	−4,680	−1,908	−2,392	−2,248	1,068	−44	−5,256	19	152	773	144	124
III	−3,164	−940	−1,212	16	460	−1,068	−1,516	226	175	145	47	227
IV	−3,700	−2,232	−952	−848	−188	228	−1,592	264	25	126	6	−5
1964:												
I	−3,092	−2,084	−908	−2,528	104	−680	−968	148	--------	−399	233	−51
II	−3,756	−2,284	−1,052	−2,468	520	−216	−2,764	−39	122	92	109	303
III [9]	−3,560	−2,076	−2,344	−1,212	636	−704	−2,264	4	203	181	558	[10] 70

[1] Includes associated Govt. liabilities and scheduled loan repayments.
[2] Includes banking claims.
[3] Other than liquid funds; includes miscellaneous Govt. nonliquid liabilities.
[4] Includes balance on goods and services (page 24) as well as net pensions and remittance payments ($826 million in 1963).
[5] Includes official debt prepayment, advances on military exports, and net sales of those nonmarketable, medium-term, nonconvertible securities not included under foreign capital.
[6] Includes short-term official and banking liabilities and foreign holdings of U.S. Govt. bonds and notes (other than nonmarketable, nonconvertible).
[7] Central banks and governments.
[8] Private holders: includes banks and international and regional organizations. Excludes liabilities to IMF relevant to U.S. gold tranche position.
[9] Preliminary.
[10] Total at end of third quarter was $15,870 million, of which $15,643 million was U.S. gold stock. The increase in gold stock during quarter was $20 million.

NOTE.—Data exclude military grant aid and U.S. subscriptions to IMF.

Source: Department of Commerce.

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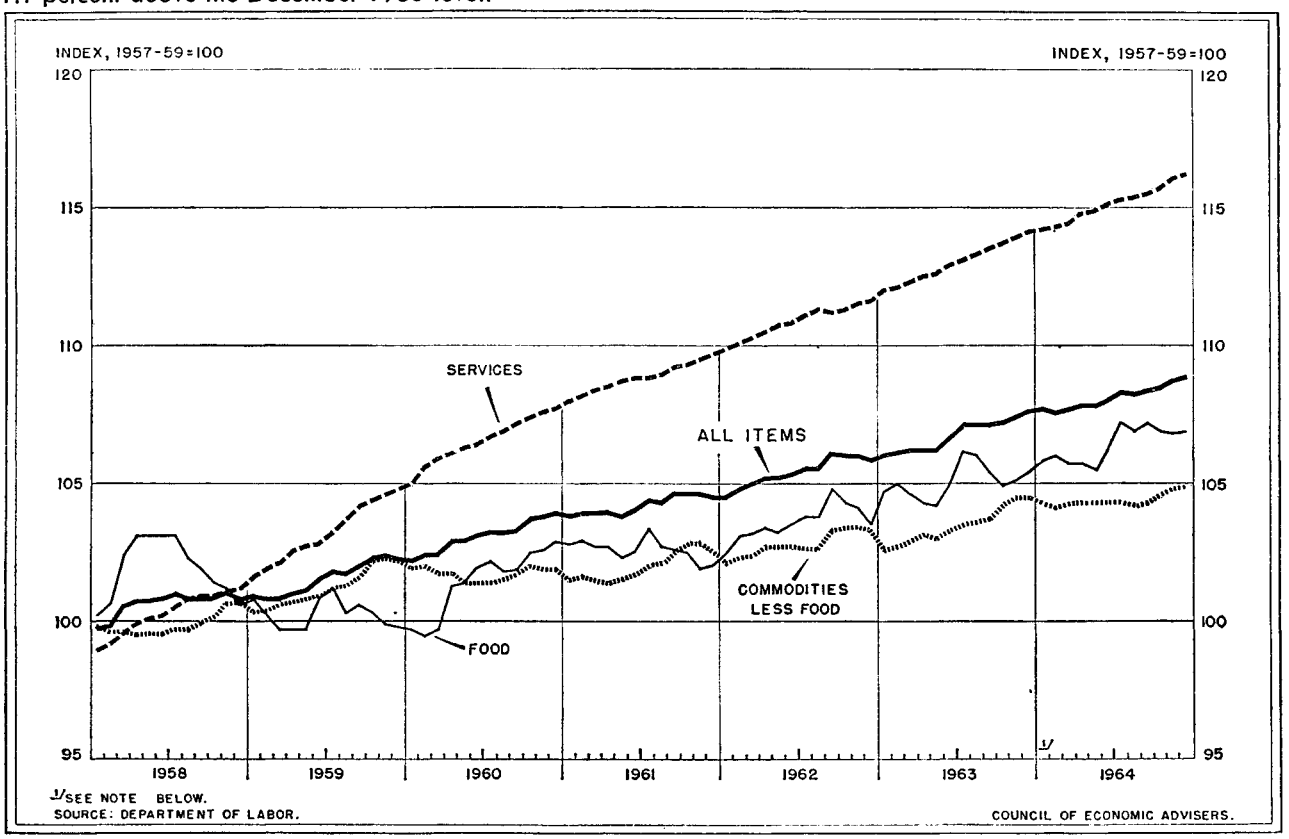
PRICES

CONSUMER PRICES

The over-all index of consumer prices rose by 0.1 percent in December 1964. Prices of food, other nondurable commodities, and services increased slightly while durable commodity prices declined a little. The over-all index was 1.1 percent above the December 1963 level.



[1957–59=100]

Period	All items	Commodities					Services		
		All commodities	Food	Commodities less food			All services	Rent	Services less rent
				All	Durable	Nondurable			
1954	93.6	95.5	95.4	95.6	97.1	94.4	88.7	93.5	87.4
1955	93.3	94.6	94.0	94.9	95.3	94.4	90.5	94.8	89.4
1956	94.7	95.5	94.7	95.9	95.4	96.5	92.8	96.5	91.9
1957	98.0	98.5	97.8	98.8	98.5	99.1	96.6	98.3	96.1
1958	100.7	100.8	101.9	99.9	100.0	99.8	100.3	100.1	100.2
1959	101.5	100.9	100.3	101.2	101.5	101.0	103.2	101.6	103.6
1960	103.1	101.7	101.4	101.7	100.9	102.6	106.6	103.1	107.4
1961	104.2	102.3	102.6	102.0	100.8	103.2	108.8	104.4	110.0
1962	105.4	103.2	103.6	102.8	101.8	103.8	110.9	105.7	112.1
1963	106.7	104.1	105.1	103.5	102.1	104.8	113.0	106.8	114.5
1964	108.1	105.2	106.4	104.4	103.0	105.7	115.2	107.8	117.0
1963: Nov	107.4	104.7	105.1	104.5	103.1	105.8	113.9	107.2	115.5
Dec	107.6	104.9	105.4	104.5	103.0	105.9	114.1	107.3	115.8
1964: Jan (new series) [1]	107.7	104.9	105.8	104.3	102.9	105.6	114.2	107.3	116.0
Feb	107.6	104.8	106.0	104.1	102.9	105.3	114.3	107.5	116.0
Mar	107.7	104.8	105.7	104.3	102.9	105.6	114.5	107.5	116.3
Apr	107.8	104.9	105.7	104.3	102.9	105.6	114.8	107.7	116.5
May	107.8	104.8	105.5	104.3	102.8	105.7	114.9	107.7	116.6
June	108.0	105.0	106.2	104.3	102.9	105.6	115.1	107.8	116.8
July	108.3	105.3	107.2	104.3	102.9	105.6	115.3	107.8	117.0
Aug	108.2	105.2	106.9	104.2	102.8	105.6	115.4	107.9	117.2
Sept	108.4	105.4	107.2	104.3	102.8	105.8	115.5	107.9	117.4
Oct	108.5	105.5	106.9	104.6	103.1	106.0	115.7	108.2	117.6
Nov	108.7	105.6	106.8	104.8	103.5	106.1	116.0	108.3	117.9
Dec	108.8	105.7	106.9	104.9	103.4	106.3	116.2	108.4	118.2

[1] See note.

NOTE.—Prior to January 1964, indexes revised to reflect transfer of homeownership from services to durable commodities.

Beginning with January 1964, new index with revised weights, coverage, and sampling procedures. For details, see Department of Labor release, *Major Changes in the Consumer Price Index*, March 3, 1964.

Source: Department of Labor.

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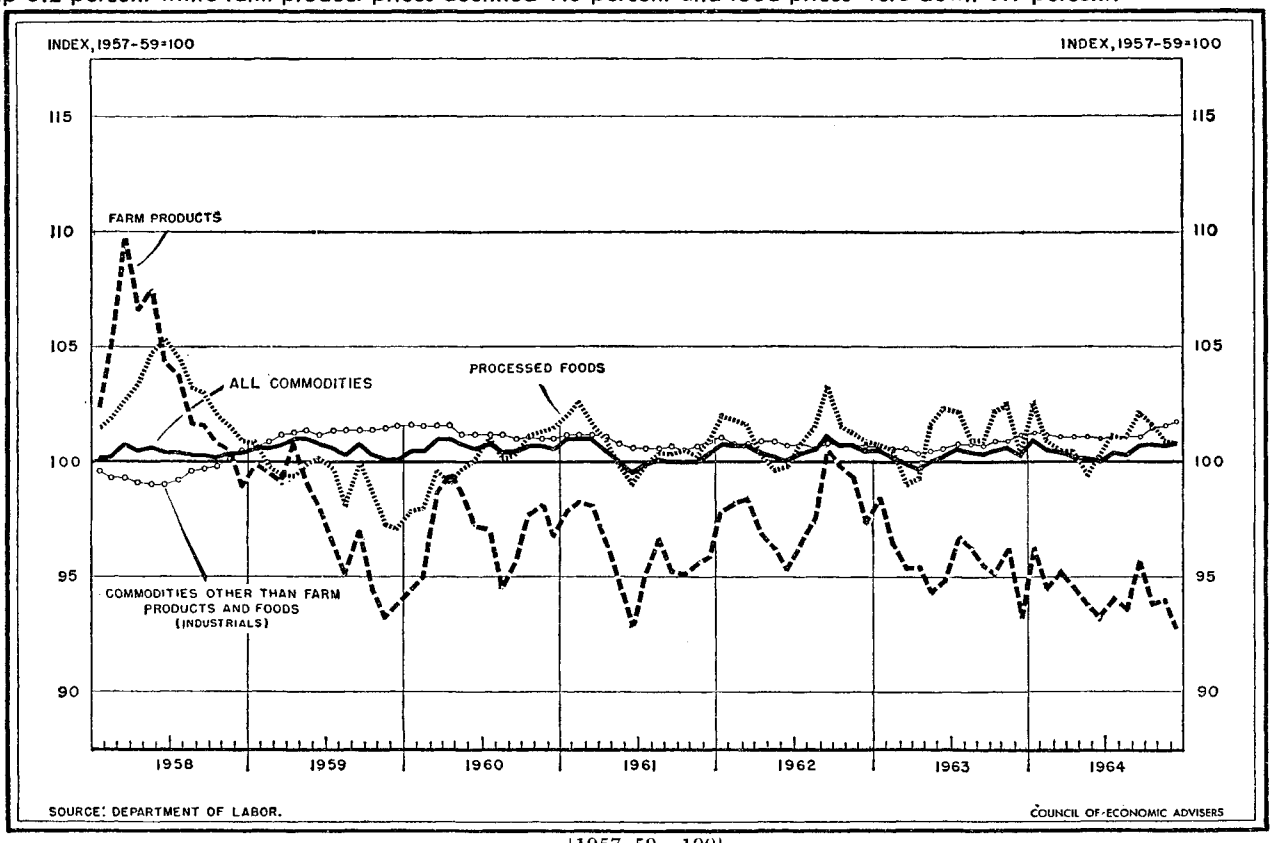
WHOLESALE PRICES

The over-all index of wholesale prices rose by 0.1 percent in December 1964. Prices of industrial commodities were up 0.2 percent while farm product prices declined 1.3 percent and food prices were down 0.1 percent.



[1957-59=100]

Period	All commodities	Farm products	Processed foods	Commodities other than farm products and foods (industrials): All industrials[1]	Industrial crude materials	Industrial intermediate materials[2]	Producer finished goods	Consumer finished goods excluding food: Durable	Consumer finished goods excluding food: Nondurable
1957	99.0	99.2	97.9	99.2	100.9	99.6	97.7	98.7	99.9
1958	100.4	103.6	102.9	99.5	96.9	99.4	100.2	100.1	99.3
1959	100.6	97.2	99.2	101.3	102.3	101.0	102.1	101.3	100.8
1960	100.7	96.9	100.0	101.3	98.3	101.4	102.3	100.9	101.5
1961	100.3	96.0	100.7	100.8	97.2	100.1	102.5	100.5	101.5
1962	100.6	97.7	101.2	100.8	95.6	99.9	102.9	100.0	101.6
1963	100.3	95.7	101.1	100.7	94.3	99.6	103.1	99.5	101.9
1964[3]	100.5	94.3	101.0	101.2	97.1	100.2	104.1	99.9	101.6
1963: Oct	100.5	95.1	102.2	100.9	94.4	99.8	103.2	99.6	102.0
Nov	100.7	96.2	102.5	100.9	94.5	99.9	103.4	99.6	101.7
Dec	100.3	93.3	100.4	101.2	94.5	100.1	103.6	99.5	102.2
1964: Jan	101.0	96.3	102.5	101.3	94.9	100.1	103.5	99.5	102.4
Feb	100.5	94.5	100.9	101.2	94.9	100.2	103.7	99.6	102.1
Mar	100.4	95.2	100.5	101.1	95.2	100.2	103.8	99.6	101.5
Apr	100.3	94.4	100.4	101.1	96.2	100.2	103.9	99.7	101.1
May	100.1	93.7	99.4	101.1	95.6	100.1	104.3	100.1	101.3
June	100.0	93.2	100.2	100.9	95.9	99.9	104.1	100.0	101.2
July	100.4	94.1	101.2	101.1	96.6	100.0	104.3	100.1	101.5
Aug	100.3	93.6	101.0	101.1	98.3	100.0	104.3	99.9	101.4
Sept	100.7	95.7	102.2	101.1	98.1	99.9	104.2	99.9	101.0
Oct	100.8	93.8	101.7	101.5	99.1	100.4	104.3	100.0	101.6
Nov	100.7	94.0	100.9	101.6	99.8	100.5	104.6	99.9	101.9
Dec[3]	100.8	92.8	100.8	101.8	100.7	100.6	104.5	99.9	102.1
Week ended:[4]									
1965: Jan 12	101.0	93.3	101.9	101.9	--------	--------	--------	--------	--------
19	101.0	93.7	102.1	101.8	--------	--------	--------	--------	--------

[1] Coverage of the subgroups does not correspond exactly to coverage of this index.
[2] Excludes intermediate materials for food manufacturing and manufactured animal feeds; includes, in part, grain products for further processing.
[3] Preliminary.
[4] Weekly series based on smaller sample than monthly series.

Source: Department of Labor.

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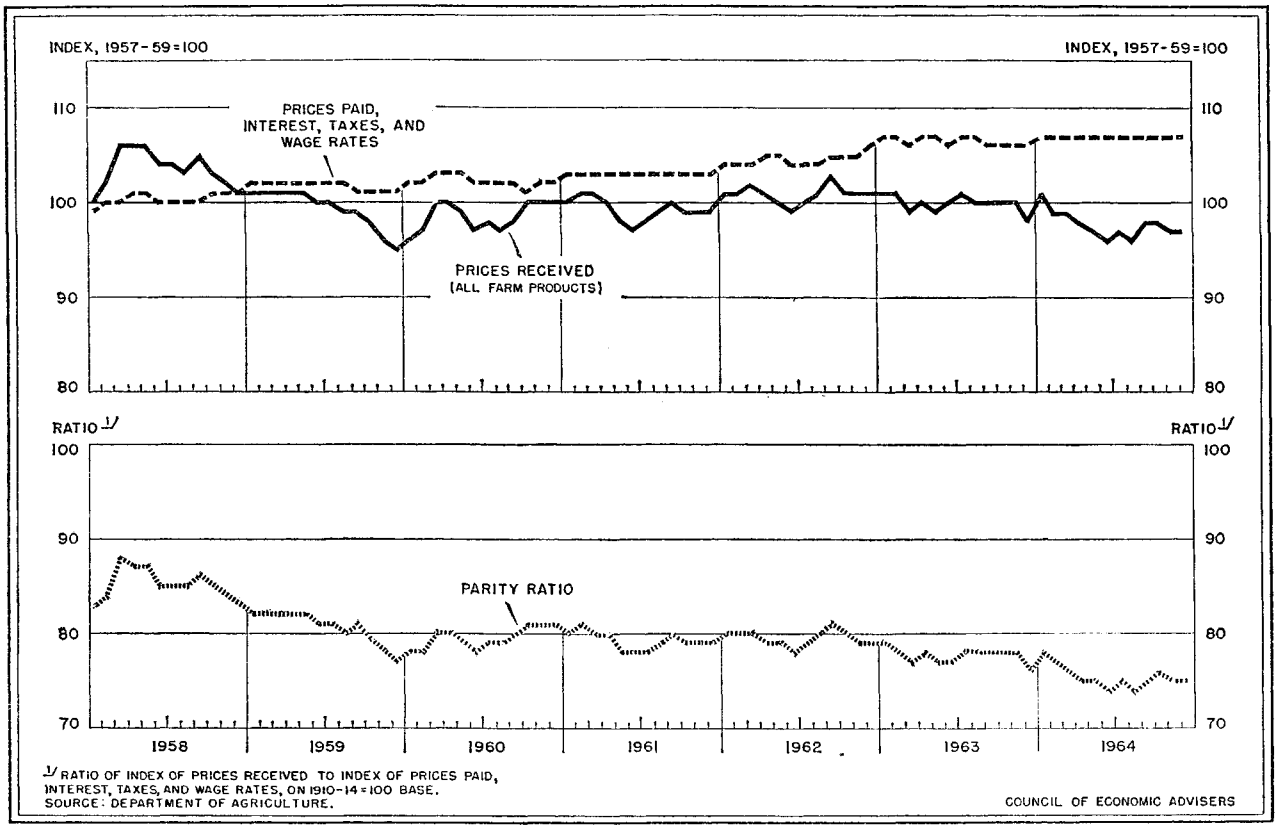
PRICES RECEIVED AND PAID BY FARMERS

During the month ended December 15, 1964, prices received and prices paid by farmers were unchanged from their levels in November. The parity ratio also was unchanged.



Period	Prices received by farmers			Prices paid by farmers			Parity ratio [1]
	All farm products	Crops	Livestock and products	All items, interest, taxes, and wage rates	Family living items	Production items	
	Index, 1957–59=100						
1955	96	104	90	94	95	96	84
1956	95	105	88	95	96	95	83
1957	97	101	94	98	99	98	82
1958	104	100	106	100	100	100	85
1959	99	99	100	102	101	102	81
1960	98	99	98	102	102	101	80
1961	99	102	98	103	102	101	79
1962	101	104	99	105	103	103	79
1963	100	106	95	106	104	104	78
1964	98	106	91	107	105	103	75
1963: Nov 15	100	108	94	106	104	103	78
Dec 15	98	108	91	106	104	103	76
1964: Jan 15	101	109	94	107	104	104	78
Feb 15	99	109	92	107	105	103	77
Mar 15	99	108	92	107	104	104	76
Apr 15	98	109	89	107	105	104	75
May 15	97	111	87	107	105	103	75
June 15	96	108	87	107	105	103	74
July 15	97	105	91	107	105	103	75
Aug 15	96	101	92	107	105	103	74
Sept 15	98	102	95	107	105	103	75
Oct 15	98	104	93	107	105	103	76
Nov 15	97	104	92	107	105	103	75
Dec 15	97	105	91	107	105	103	75

[1] Percentage ratio of index of prices received by farmers to index of prices paid, interest, taxes, and wage rates, on 1910–14=100 base.

Source: Department of Agriculture.

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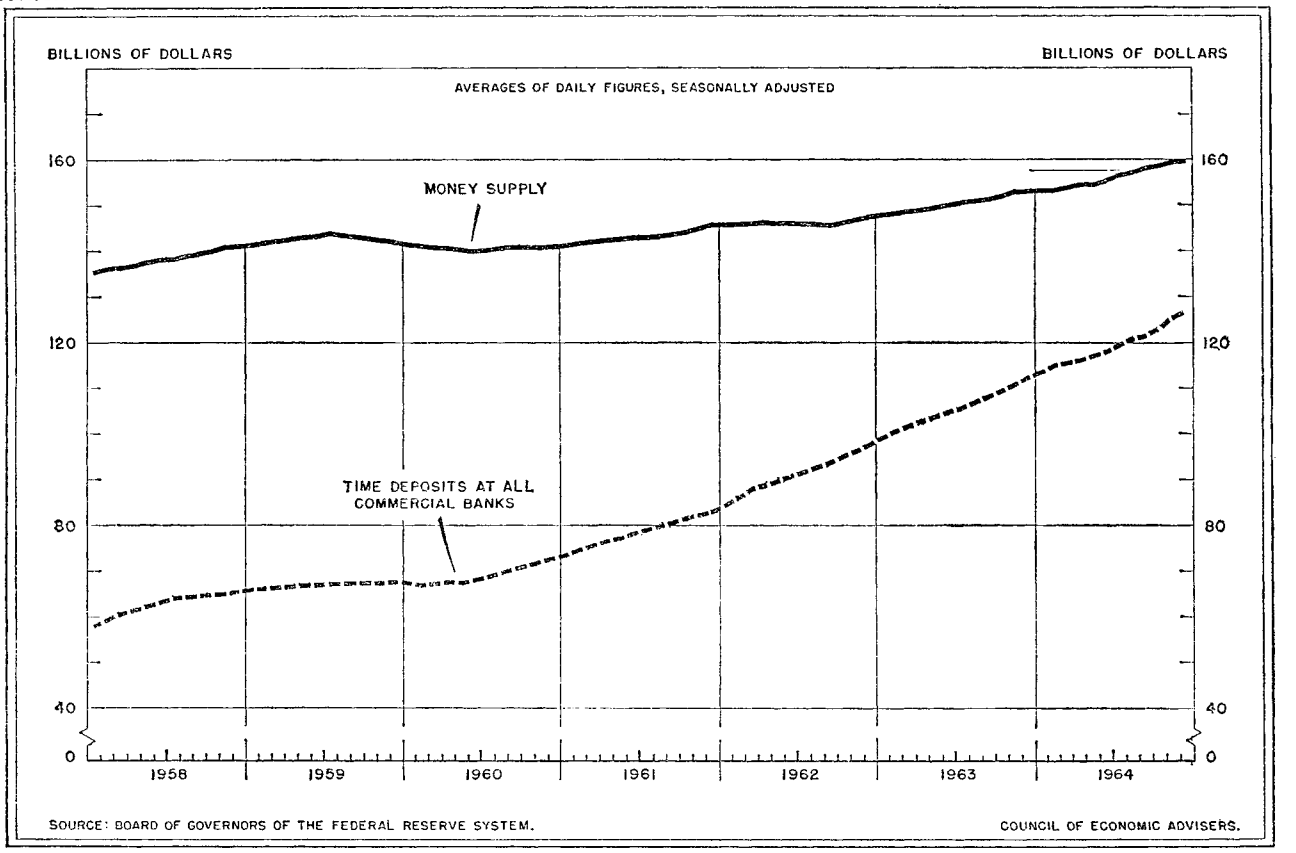
MONEY, CREDIT, AND SECURITY MARKETS

MONEY SUPPLY

In December, the money supply rose by $0.3 billion (seasonally adjusted daily average) making the increase for 1964 as a whole 4.0 percent. Time deposits rose by $1.4 billion in December and were 12.6 percent above a year earlier.



[Averages of daily figures, billions of dollars]

Period	Money supply: Total	Money supply: Currency outside banks	Money supply: Demand deposits	Time deposits [1]	Money supply: Total	Money supply: Currency outside banks	Money supply: Demand deposits	Time deposits [1]	U.S. Government demand deposits [1]
	Seasonally adjusted				Unadjusted				
1958: Dec	141.1	28.6	112.6	65.4	144.7	29.2	115.5	64.6	3.9
1959: Dec	142.1	28.9	113.2	67.4	145.6	29.5	116.1	66.6	4.9
1960: Dec	141.1	28.9	112.1	72.9	144.7	29.6	115.2	72.1	4.7
1961: Dec	145.5	29.6	116.0	82.8	149.4	30.2	119.2	81.8	4.9
1962: Dec	147.6	30.6	117.1	97.9	151.6	31.2	120.3	96.7	5.6
1963: Dec	153.2	32.4	120.7	112.3	157.2	33.1	124.1	111.0	5.2
1964: Dec [2]	159.4	34.2	125.2	126.5	163.6	34.9	128.7	125.0	5.5
1964: Jan	153.8	32.6	121.2	113.9	157.8	32.4	125.4	113.2	4.2
Feb	153.8	32.7	121.1	115.1	153.8	32.3	121.5	114.6	4.8
Mar	154.2	32.9	121.3	115.7	152.9	32.6	120.3	115.7	6.1
Apr	154.5	33.0	121.5	116.4	155.0	32.7	122.3	116.7	4.2
May	154.5	33.3	121.3	117.4	152.4	33.0	119.4	118.1	6.9
June	155.6	33.4	122.1	118.5	153.6	33.3	120.3	119.2	7.8
July	156.7	33.5	123.3	119.4	155.2	33.7	121.5	120.1	7.0
Aug	157.2	33.7	123.5	120.6	155.1	33.8	121.3	121.1	6.4
Sept	158.0	33.8	124.2	121.7	156.9	33.8	123.1	122.0	6.6
Oct	158.6	33.9	124.7	123.1	158.8	34.0	124.8	123.3	5.6
Nov	159.1	34.2	124.9	125.1	160.4	34.5	125.9	124.1	5.8
Dec [2]	159.4	34.2	125.2	126.5	163.6	34.9	128.7	125.0	5.5
First half	159.4	34.2	125.2	126.3	162.8	34.9	128.0	124.7	4.9
Second half [2]	159.4	34.2	125.2	126.7	164.4	35.0	129.4	125.3	6.1

[1] Deposits at all commercial banks.
[2] Preliminary.

NOTE.—See note, p. 31.
Source: Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

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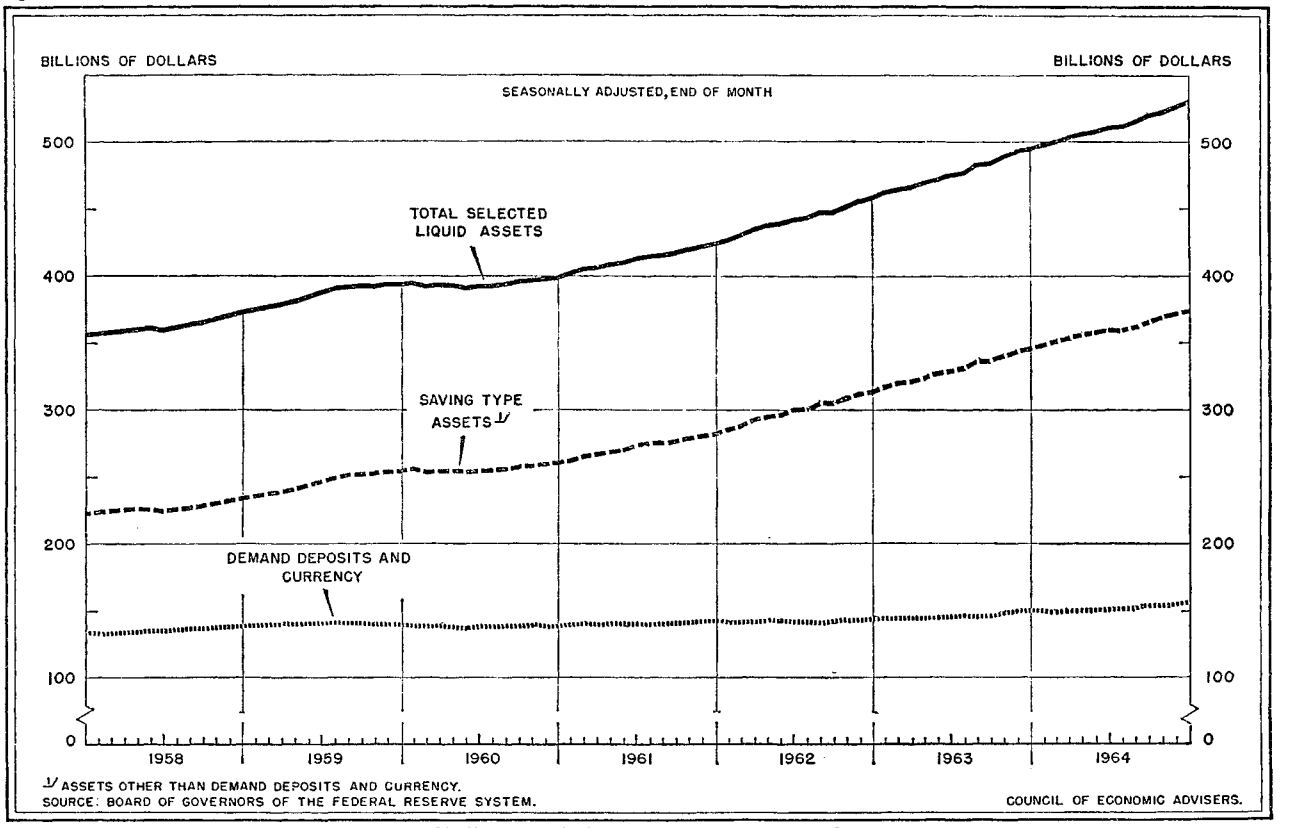
SELECTED LIQUID ASSETS HELD BY THE PUBLIC

Nonbank liquid asset holdings (seasonally adjusted), particularly saving type assets, rose further in December, bringing the total increase in 1964 to 7 percent.



[Billions of dollars, seasonally adjusted]

End of period	Total selected liquid assets	Demand deposits and currency [1]	Time deposits		Postal Savings System	Savings and loan shares	U.S. Government savings bonds [2]	U.S. Government securities maturing within one year [2]
			Commercial banks	Mutual savings banks				
1955	332.5	133.3	49.7	28.1	1.9	32.0	55.9	31.6
1956	343.2	134.6	52.0	30.0	1.6	37.0	54.8	33.2
1957	356.0	133.5	57.5	31.6	1.3	41.7	51.6	38.8
1958	373.1	138.8	65.4	33.9	1.1	47.7	50.5	35.6
1959	393.9	139.7	67.4	34.9	.9	54.3	47.9	48.8
1960	399.2	138.4	73.1	36.2	.8	61.8	47.0	41.9
1961	424.6	142.6	82.5	38.3	.6	70.5	47.4	42.6
1962	459.0	144.8	98.1	41.4	.5	79.8	47.6	46.8
1963	495.3	149.6	112.9	44.5	.5	90.8	49.0	48.1
1964 [3]	529.9	156.1	126.9	48.8	.4	101.4	49.9	46.4
1964: Jan	498.8	149.5	114.8	45.0	.5	91.3	49.1	48.6
Feb	499.5	148.4	115.5	45.4	.4	92.3	49.0	48.4
Mar	503.9	150.2	115.9	45.6	.4	93.4	49.0	49.3
Apr	505.9	149.9	117.0	46.0	.4	94.0	49.1	49.5
May	507.5	149.6	117.9	46.3	.4	94.8	49.1	49.4
June	511.3	151.1	118.6	46.8	.4	95.7	49.2	49.4
July	511.7	151.8	119.8	47.1	.4	96.5	49.3	46.7
Aug	514.7	152.1	120.6	47.5	.4	97.7	49.3	47.1
Sept [3]	520.7	154.8	121.9	47.9	.4	99.0	49.4	47.4
Oct [3]	522.9	154.6	123.7	48.3	.4	99.7	49.4	46.8
Nov [3]	526.2	154.6	125.7	48.6	.4	100.6	49.5	46.7
Dec [3]	529.9	156.1	126.9	48.8	.4	101.4	49.9	46.4

[1] Agrees in concept with money supply, p. 29, except for deduction of demand deposits held by mutual savings banks and savings and loan associations. Data for last Wednesday of month.

[2] Excludes holdings of Government agencies and trust funds, domestic commercial and mutual savings banks, Federal Reserve Banks, and beginning February 1960, savings and loan associations.

[3] Preliminary.

NOTE.—See note, p. 31.

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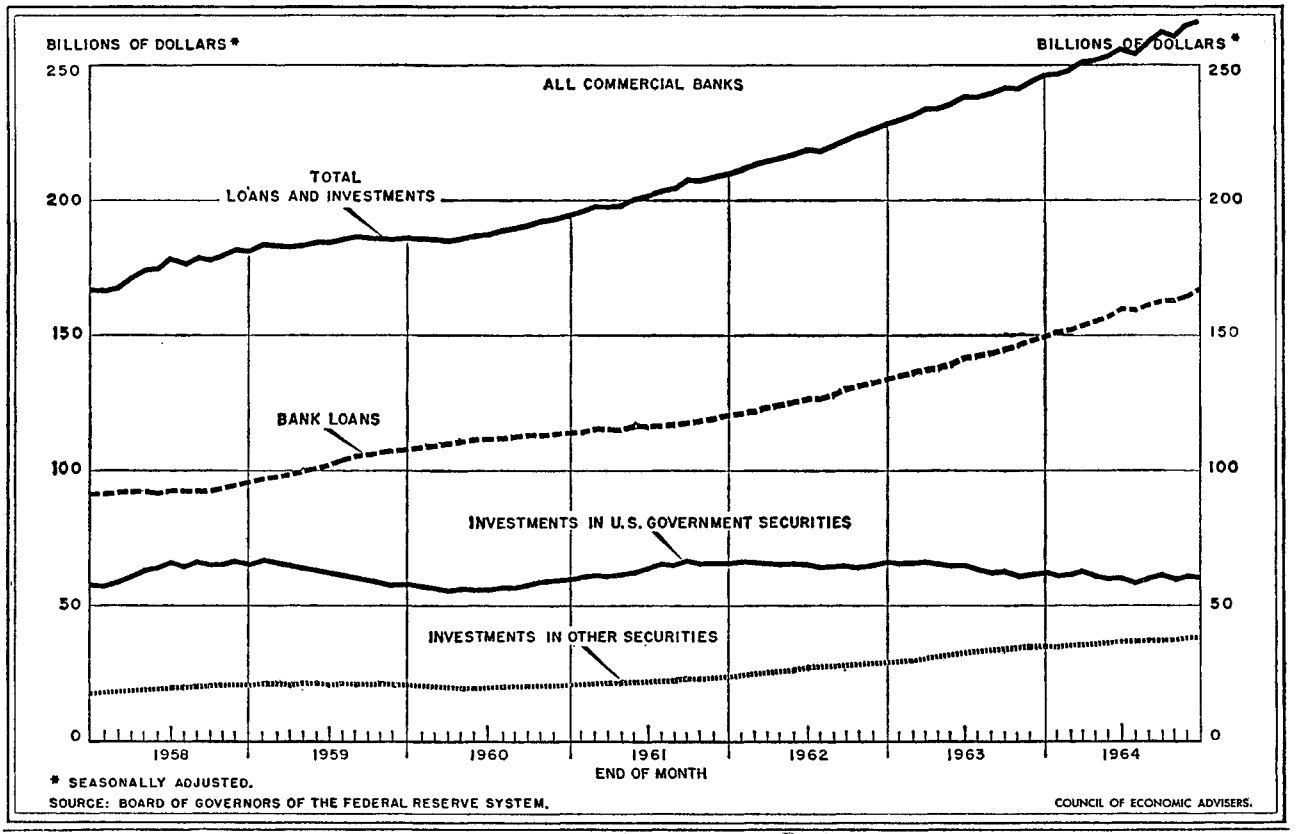
BANK LOANS, INVESTMENTS, DEBITS, AND RESERVES

Commercial bank loans (seasonally adjusted) rose fairly strongly in December, primarily reflecting the increase in business loans. However, total bank investments declined. For 1964 as a whole, the 8 percent rise in total bank credit matched 1963.



End of period	All commercial banks (seasonally adjusted data)				Weekly reporting member banks [1]	Bank debits outside New York City (343 centers), seasonally adjusted annual rates [3]	All member banks [1 4]			
	Total loans and investments	Loans, excluding interbank	Investments				Total reserves	Excess reserves	Borrowings at Federal Reserve Banks	Free reserves
			U.S. Government securities	Other securities	Business loans [2]					
	Billions of dollars						Millions of dollars			
1956	161.6	88.0	57.3	16.3	30.8	*1,325*	19,535	652	688	−36
1957	166.4	91.4	57.1	17.9	31.8	*1,468*	19,420	577	710	−133
1958	181.2	95.6	65.1	20.5	31.7	*1,481*	18,899	516	557	−41
1959	185.9	107.6	57.8	20.5	30.7	*1,656*	18,932	482	906	−424
1960	194.5	113.8	59.9	20.8	32.2	*1,736*	19,283	769	87	682
1961	209.8	120.5	65.4	23.9	32.9	*1,832*	20,118	568	149	419
1962 [5]	228.3	133.9	65.2	29.2	35.2	*2,021*	20,040	572	304	268
1963 [5]	246.5	149.4	62.1	35.0	38.8	*2,199*	20,746	536	327	209
1964 [6]	266.0	166.7	60.9	38.4	42.1	*2,405*	21,615	414	243	171
1964: Jan	246.7	151.0	60.8	34.9	37.2	*2,355*	20,673	431	256	175
Feb	248.4	151.8	61.2	35.4	37.6	*2,240*	20,146	393	304	89
Mar	251.4	153.9	62.1	35.4	38.2	*2,322*	20,213	358	259	99
Apr	251.8	155.4	60.8	35.6	38.1	*2,451*	20,277	380	213	167
May	253.5	157.3	60.3	35.9	38.3	*2,313*	20,220	337	255	82
June	256.3	160.0	60.0	36.3	38.7	*2,329*	20,558	390	270	120
July	254.5	159.7	58.4	36.4	38.5	*2,431*	20,665	400	265	135
Aug	258.7	161.5	60.2	37.0	38.9	*2,373*	20,566	417	334	83
Sept	261.7	163.0	61.2	37.5	40.0	*2,425*	20,928	420	331	89
Oct [6]	260.8	163.1	59.9	37.8	39.9	*2,454*	21,033	415	309	106
Nov [6]	264.9	165.2	61.3	38.4	40.5	*2,470*	21,160	396	430	−34
Dec [6]	266.0	166.7	60.9	38.4	42.1	*2,496*	21,615	414	243	171

[1] Member banks are all national banks and those State banks which have taken membership in the Federal Reserve System.
[2] Commercial and industrial loans.
[3] Debits during period to demand deposit accounts except interbank and U.S. Government.
[4] Averages of daily figures. Annual data are for December.
[5] Estimates.
[6] Preliminary.

NOTE.—Between January and August 1959, series for all commercial banks expanded to include data for all banks in Alaska and Hawaii. Data for all member banks include Alaska and Hawaii beginning 1954 and 1959, respectively.

Source: Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

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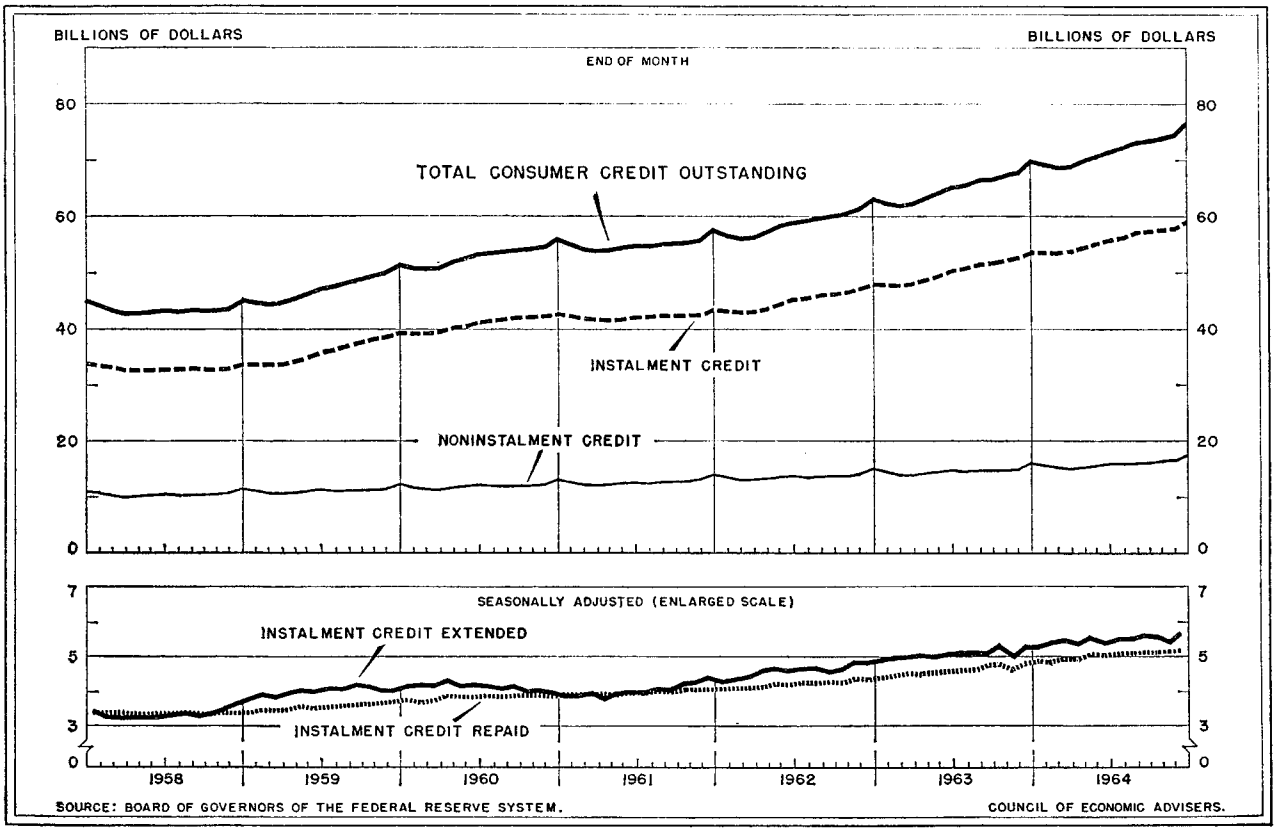
CONSUMER AND REAL ESTATE CREDIT

In December 1964, total consumer credit outstanding rose at about the same rate as a year earlier. The seasonally adjusted increase in instalment credit was greater than in the 2 preceding months.



[Millions of dollars]

Period	Consumer credit outstanding (end of period; unadjusted)					Consumer instalment credit extended and repaid (seasonally adjusted)				Mortgage debt outstanding, nonfarm 1- to 4-family houses [3]
	Total	Instalment			Noninstalment [2]	Total		Automobile paper		
		Total [1]	Automobile paper	Personal loans		Extended	Repaid	Extended	Repaid	
1955	38, 830	28, 906	13, 460	6, 112	9, 924	38, 972	33, 634	16, 734	13, 082	88, 200
1956	42, 334	31, 720	14, 420	6, 789	10, 614	39, 868	37, 054	15, 515	14, 555	99, 000
1957	44, 970	33, 867	15, 340	7, 582	11, 103	42, 016	39, 868	16, 465	15, 545	107, 600
1958	45, 129	33, 642	14, 152	8, 116	11, 487	40, 119	40, 344	14, 226	15, 415	117, 700
1959	51, 542	39, 245	16, 420	9, 386	12, 297	48, 052	42, 603	17, 779	15, 579	130, 900
1960	56, 028	42, 832	17, 688	10, 480	13, 196	49, 560	45, 972	17, 654	16, 384	141, 300
1961	57, 678	43, 527	17, 223	11, 256	14, 151	48, 396	47, 700	16, 007	16, 472	153, 100
1962	63, 164	48, 034	19, 540	12, 643	15, 130	55, 126	50, 620	19, 796	17, 478	166, 500
1963	69, 890	53, 745	22, 199	14, 391	16, 145	60, 822	55, 111	22, 013	19, 354	182, 200
1964 [4]	76, 700	59, 300	24, 550	16, 050	17, 400	65, 800	60, 275	23, 525	21, 150	197, 900
1963: Nov	67, 746	52, 695	22, 107	14, 135	15, 051	4, 979	4, 596	1, 792	1, 638	----------
Dec	69, 890	53, 745	22, 199	14, 391	16, 145	5, 272	4, 812	1, 914	1, 707	182, 200
1964: Jan	69, 203	53, 597	22, 189	14, 416	15, 606	5, 276	4, 848	1, 888	1, 684	----------
Feb	68, 786	53, 552	22, 271	14, 479	15, 234	5, 421	4, 842	1, 953	1, 716	----------
Mar	68, 913	53, 795	22, 471	14, 552	15, 118	5, 480	4, 956	1, 942	1, 735	185, 200
Apr	69, 816	54, 382	22, 830	14, 748	15, 434	5, 371	4, 959	1, 961	1, 759	----------
May	70, 945	55, 120	23, 255	14, 902	15, 825	5, 552	5, 059	2, 023	1, 776	----------
June	71, 907	55, 914	23, 702	15, 087	15, 993	5, 399	5, 029	1, 962	1, 768	189, 600
July	72, 456	56, 496	24, 024	15, 233	15, 960	5, 541	5, 058	1, 996	1, 781	----------
Aug	73, 069	57, 055	24, 251	15, 415	16, 014	5, 529	5, 094	2, 017	1, 789	----------
Sept	73, 495	57, 446	24, 295	15, 612	16, 049	5, 617	5, 104	2, 024	1, 802	194, 000
Oct	73, 928	57, 826	24, 423	15, 672	16, 102	5, 507	5, 097	1, 924	1, 788	----------
Nov	74, 371	58, 085	24, 367	15, 771	16, 286	5, 456	5, 155	1, 858	1, 818	----------
Dec [4]	76, 700	59, 300	24, 550	16, 050	17, 400	5, 700	5, 200	2, 050	1, 825	197, 900

[1] Also includes other consumer goods paper, and repair and modernization loans, not shown separately.
[2] Consists of single-payment loans, charge accounts, and service credit.
[3] End of period, unadjusted. [4] Preliminary estimates.

NOTE.—Data for Alaska and Hawaii included beginning January and August 1959, respectively.

Sources: Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and Federal Home Loan Bank Board.

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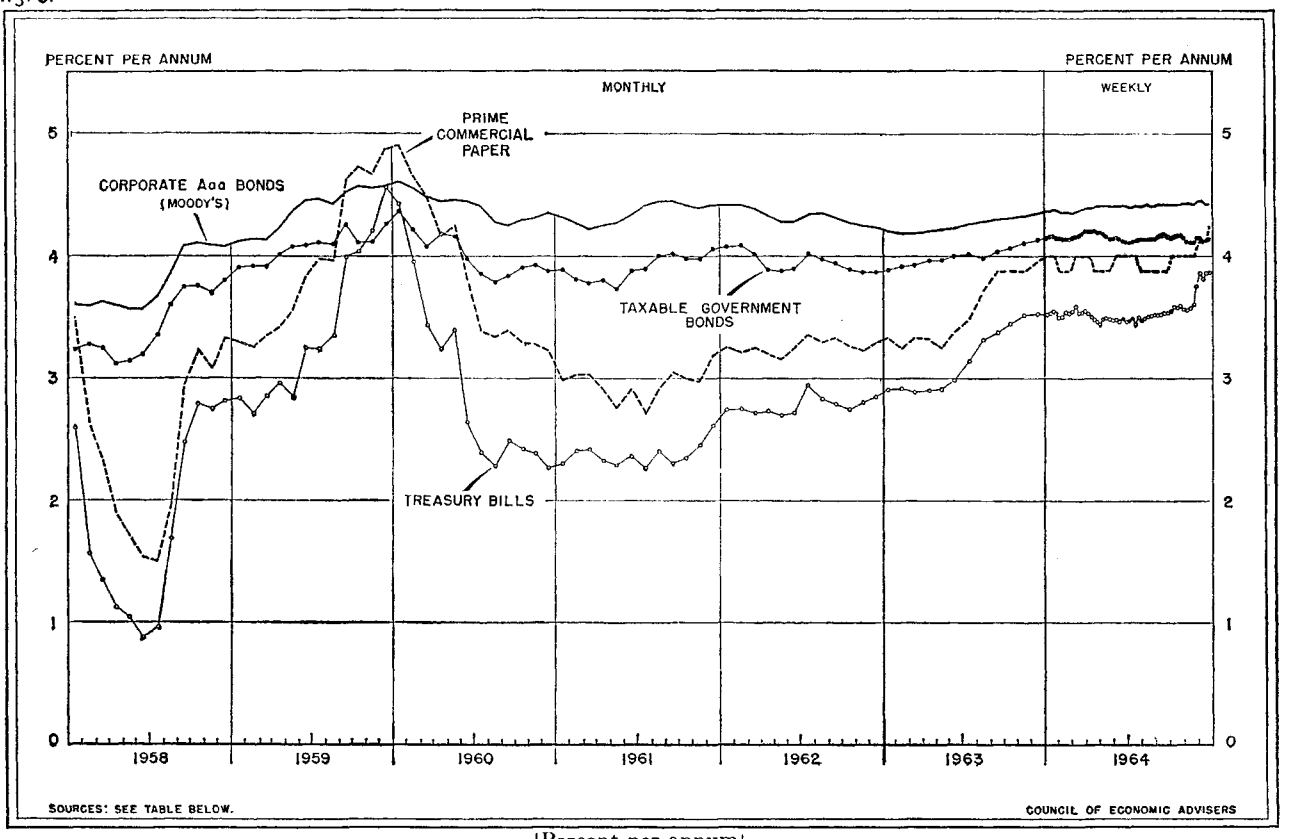
BOND YIELDS AND INTEREST RATES

Yields on taxable Treasury bonds rose slightly in late December but were steady in January. Interest rates on Treasury bills and yields on corporate and municipal securities declined slightly in January from late November or December highs.



[Percent per annum]

Period	U.S. Government security yields			High-grade municipal bonds (Standard & Poor's) [4]	Corporate bonds (Moody's)		Prime commercial paper, 4–6 months	FHA new home mortgage yields [5]
	3-month Treasury bills [1]	3–5 year issues [2]	Taxable bonds [3]		Aaa	Baa		
1958	1. 839	2. 90	3. 43	3. 56	3. 79	4. 73	2. 46	5. 49
1959	3. 405	4. 33	4. 08	3. 95	4. 38	5. 05	3. 97	5. 77
1960	2. 928	3. 99	4. 02	3. 73	4. 41	5. 19	3. 85	6. 16
1961	2. 378	3. 60	3. 90	3. 46	4. 35	5. 08	2. 97	5. 78
1962	2. 778	3. 57	3. 95	3. 18	4. 33	5. 02	3. 26	5. 60
1963	3. 157	3. 72	4. 00	3. 23	4. 26	4. 86	3. 55	5. 46
1964	3. 549	4. 06	4. 15	3. 22	4. 40	4. 83	3. 97	5. 45
1963: Nov	3. 522	3. 97	4. 11	3. 41	4. 33	4. 84	3. 88	5. 45
Dec	3. 523	4. 04	4. 14	3. 34	4. 35	4. 85	3. 96	5. 45
1964: Jan	3. 529	4. 06	4. 15	3. 23	4. 37	4. 83	3. 97	5. 45
Feb	3. 532	4. 02	4. 14	3. 17	4. 36	4. 83	3. 88	5. 45
Mar	3. 553	4. 15	4. 18	3. 32	4. 38	4. 83	4. 00	5. 45
Apr	3. 484	4. 18	4. 20	3. 29	4. 40	4. 85	3. 91	5. 45
May	3. 482	4. 07	4. 16	3. 21	4. 41	4. 85	3. 89	5. 45
June	3. 478	4. 03	4. 13	3. 20	4. 41	4. 85	4. 00	5. 45
July	3. 479	3. 99	4. 13	3. 18	4. 40	4. 83	3. 96	5. 45
Aug	3. 506	3. 99	4. 14	3. 20	4. 41	4. 82	3. 88	5. 46
Sept	3. 527	4. 03	4. 16	3. 25	4. 42	4. 82	3. 89	5. 46
Oct	3. 575	4. 04	4. 16	3. 26	4. 42	4. 81	4. 00	5. 46
Nov	3. 624	4. 04	4. 12	3. 18	4. 43	4. 81	4. 02	5. 45
Dec	3. 856	4. 07	4. 14	3. 15	4. 44	4. 81	4. 17	5. 45
Week ended:								
1964: Dec 26	3. 868	4. 07	4. 14	3. 13	4. 43	4. 80	4. 25	----------
1965: Jan 2 [6]	3. 867	4. 07	4. 15	3. 13	4. 43	4. 80	4. 25	----------
9 [6]	3. 829	4. 07	4. 15	3. 09	4. 44	4. 80	4. 25	----------
16 [6]	3. 814	4. 06	4. 15	3. 04	4. 43	4. 79	4. 25	----------
23 [6]	3. 821	4. 04	4. 14	3. 05	4. 43	4. 79	4. 25	----------
30 [6]	3. 848	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------

[1] Rate on new issues within period. [2] Selected note and bond issues.
[3] Series includes: April 1953 to date, bonds due or callable 10 years and after.
[4] Weekly data are Wednesday figures.
[5] Data for first of the month, based on the maximum permissible interest rate (5¼ percent since May 1961) and 30-year mortgages paid in 15 years.
[6] Not charted.

Sources: Treasury Department, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, Federal Housing Administration, Standard & Poor's Corporation, and Moody's Investors Service.

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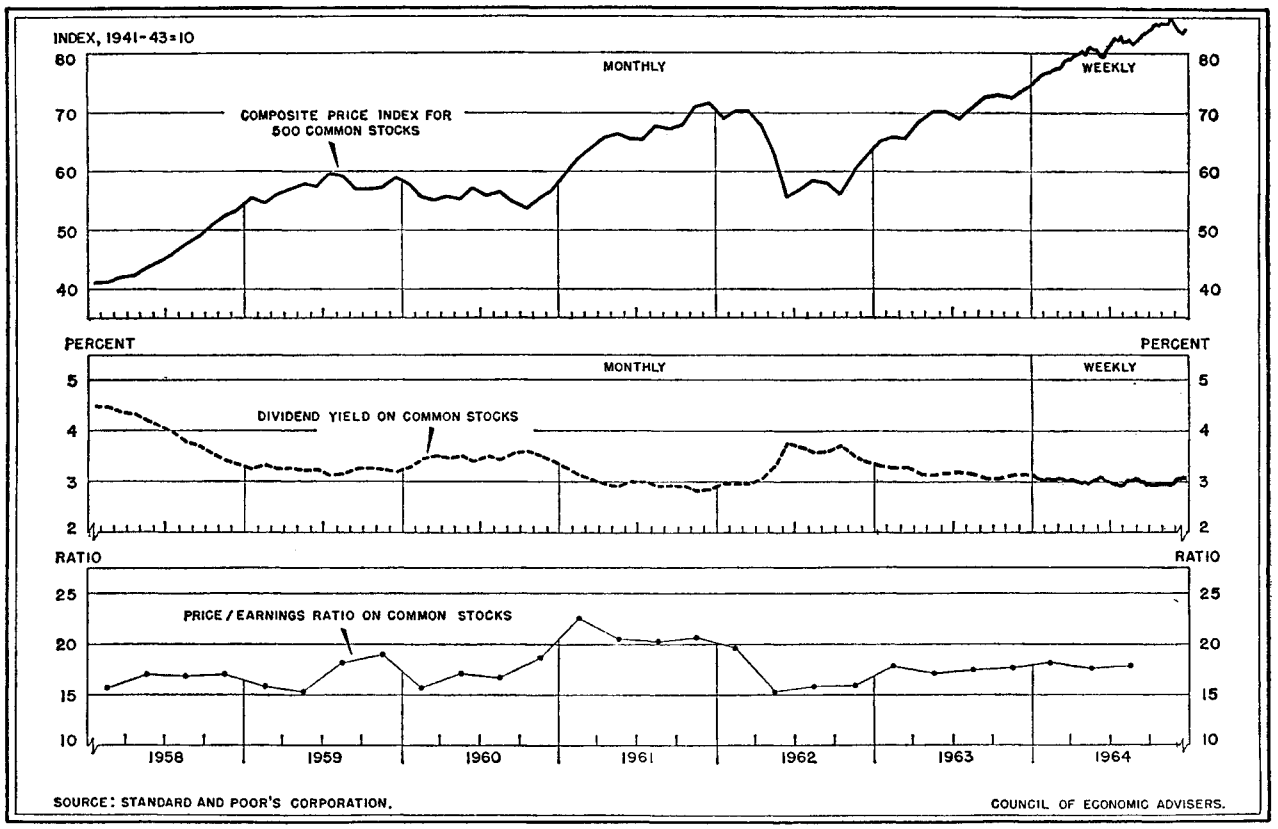
COMMON STOCK PRICES, YIELD, AND EARNINGS

Stock prices turned up in January, regaining their previous highs of mid-November 1964.



Period	Price index [1]						Dividend yield [2] (percent)	Price/ earnings ratios [3]
	Total	Industrials			Public utilities	Railroads		
		Total	Capital goods	Consumers' goods				
	1941-43=10							
1959	57.38	61.45	63.93	47.35	44.15	35.09	3.23	17.05
1960	55.85	59.43	59.75	47.21	46.86	30.31	3.47	17.09
1961	66.27	69.99	67.33	57.01	60.20	32.83	2.98	21.06
1962	62.38	65.54	58.15	54.96	59.16	30.56	3.37	16.68
1963	69.87	73.39	63.30	62.28	64.99	37.58	3.17	17.62
1964	81.37	86.19	76.32	73.83	69.91	45.46	3.01	----------
1963: Dec	74.17	78.38	68.54	66.38	65.64	39.92	3.14	17.78
1964: Jan	76.45	80.85	71.89	67.36	67.26	41.00	3.06	----------
Feb	77.39	81.96	72.92	68.11	67.20	41.54	3.05	----------
Mar	78.80	83.64	75.48	70.15	66.78	42.88	3.03	18.16
Apr	79.94	84.92	76.52	70.93	67.30	43.27	3.00	----------
May	80.72	85.79	76.50	72.67	67.29	44.86	3.01	----------
June	80.24	85.13	75.85	72.42	67.46	46.29	3.05	17.61
July	83.22	88.19	77.76	75.47	70.35	48.93	2.96	----------
Aug	82.00	86.70	75.91	75.40	71.17	47.17	3.03	----------
Sept	83.41	88.27	77.77	77.74	72.07	47.14	3.00	17.87
Oct	84.85	89.75	79.13	79.08	73.37	48.69	2.95	----------
Nov	85.44	90.36	78.97	79.18	74.39	48.01	2.96	----------
Dec	83.96	88.71	77.15	77.39	74.24	45.71	3.06	----------
Week ended:								
1964: Dec 18	83.68	88.36	76.64	77.06	74.43	45.52	3.07	----------
26	84.25	89.05	77.36	78.03	74.33	45.79	3.05	----------
1965: Jan 2*	84.23	89.05	77.49	78.33	74.22	45.60	3.04	----------
8*	84.88	89.75	78.24	78.56	74.60	46.01	3.02	----------
15*	85.78	90.68	79.62	79.19	75.58	46.68	3.00	----------
22	86.60	91.52	80.95	79.85	76.49	47.09	2.97	----------

*Not charted.

[1] Includes 500 common stock, 425 are industrials; 50 are public utilities; and 25 are railroads. Weekly indexes for capital and consumer goods are Wednesday figures; all other weekly indexes are averages of daily figures.

[2] Aggregate cash dividends (based on latest known annual rate) divided by the aggregate monthly market value of the stocks in the group. Annual yields are averages of monthly data. Weekly data are Wednesday figures.

[3] Ratio of price index for last day in quarter to quarterly earnings (seasonally adjusted annual rate). Annual ratios are averages of quarterly data.

Source: Standard and Poor's Corporation.

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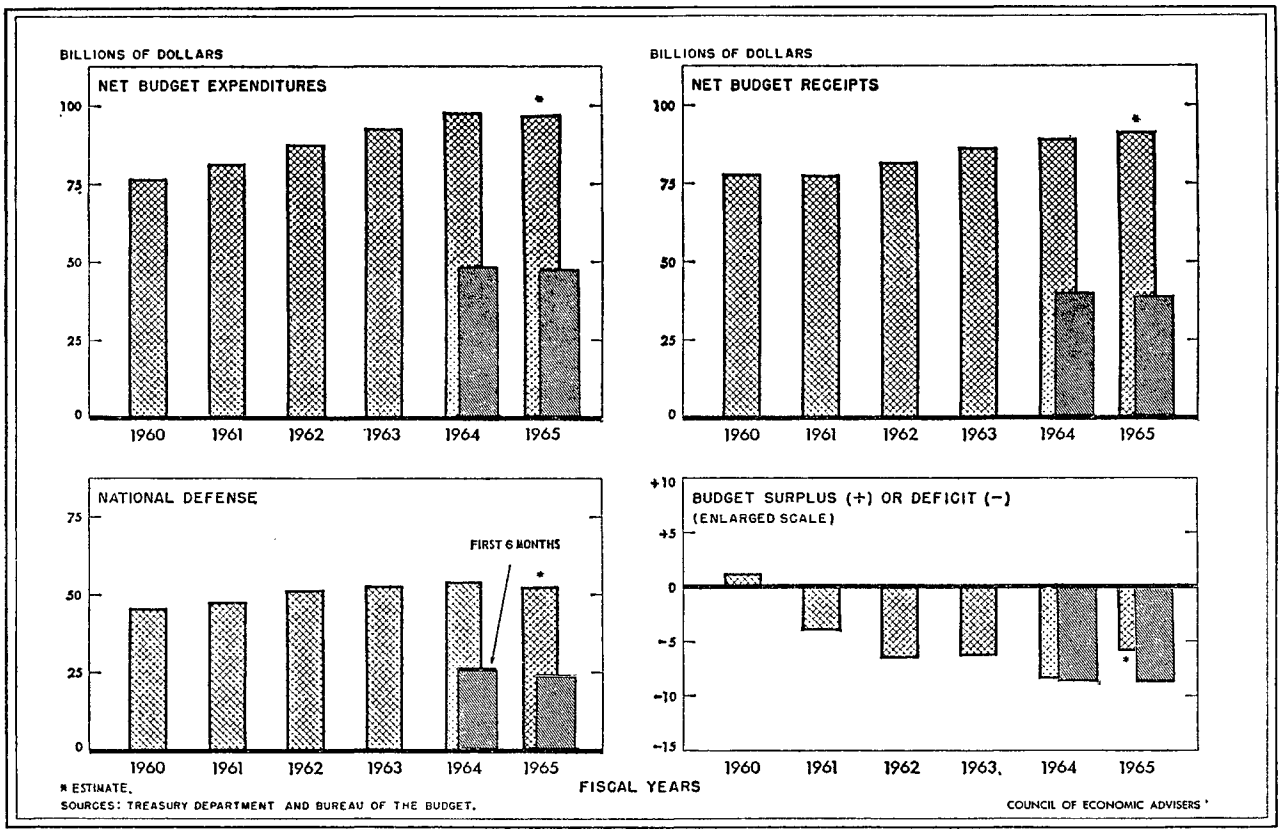
FEDERAL FINANCE

FEDERAL ADMINISTRATIVE BUDGET RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

The budget deficit for fiscal 1965 is currently estimated at $6.3 billion, almost $2 billion below the fiscal 1964 deficit. It is estimated to decline $1 billion further in fiscal 1966.



[Billions of dollars]

Period	Net budget receipts	Net budget expenditures: Total	National defense [1]: Total	National defense [1]: Department of Defense, military	National defense [1]: Military assistance	Budget surplus or deficit (−)	Public debt (end of period) [2]
Fiscal year 1959	67.9	80.3	46.5	41.2	2.3	−12.4	284.8
Fiscal year 1960	77.8	76.5	45.7	41.2	1.6	1.2	286.5
Fiscal year 1961	77.7	81.5	47.5	43.2	1.4	−3.9	289.2
Fiscal year 1962	81.4	87.8	51.1	46.8	1.4	−6.4	298.6
Fiscal year 1963	86.4	92.6	52.8	48.3	1.7	−6.3	306.5
Fiscal year 1964	89.5	97.7	54.2	49.8	1.5	−8.2	312.5
Fiscal year 1965 [3]	91.2	97.5	52.2	48.1	1.2	−6.3	316.9
Fiscal year 1966 [3]	94.4	99.7	51.6	47.9	1.1	−5.3	322.5
1963: Nov	7.1	7.8	4.1	3.8	.1	−.7	308.9
Dec	8.8	8.3	4.5	4.2	.1	.5	310.1
1964: Jan	5.9	8.5	4.3	4.0	.1	−2.6	309.3
Feb	8.0	7.5	4.4	4.0	.1	.5	311.2
Mar	10.1	7.9	4.4	4.1	.1	2.3	310.4
Apr	6.6	7.9	4.6	4.2	.1	−1.3	308.4
May	6.1	7.5	4.7	4.3	.2	−1.4	312.3
June	12.3	9.5	5.7	5.1	.3	2.8	312.5
July	3.5	7.4	3.5	3.2	(4)	−3.9	312.0
Aug	6.7	8.1	3.8	3.5	(4)	−1.4	314.9
Sept	10.1	8.4	4.2	3.9	.1	1.6	316.5
Oct	3.4	8.3	4.2	3.9	(4)	−4.9	316.5
Nov	7.0	7.1	4.0	3.7	.1	(5)	319.3
Dec	8.9	8.8	4.5	4.2	.1	.1	318.8
Cumulative totals first 6 months:							
Fiscal year 1964	40.3	48.8	26.2	24.2	.6	−8.6	310.1
Fiscal year 1965	39.5	48.1	24.2	22.5	.3	−8.6	318.8

[1] In addition to items shown, also includes atomic energy and defense related services.
[2] Includes guaranteed securities held outside the Treasury. Not all of total shown is subject to statutory debt limitation.
[3] Preliminary estimates.
[4] Less than $50 million.
[5] Deficit of 15 million.

NOTE.—Total budget receipts and expenditures exclude certain intragovernmental transactions.

Sources: Treasury Department and Bureau of the Budget.

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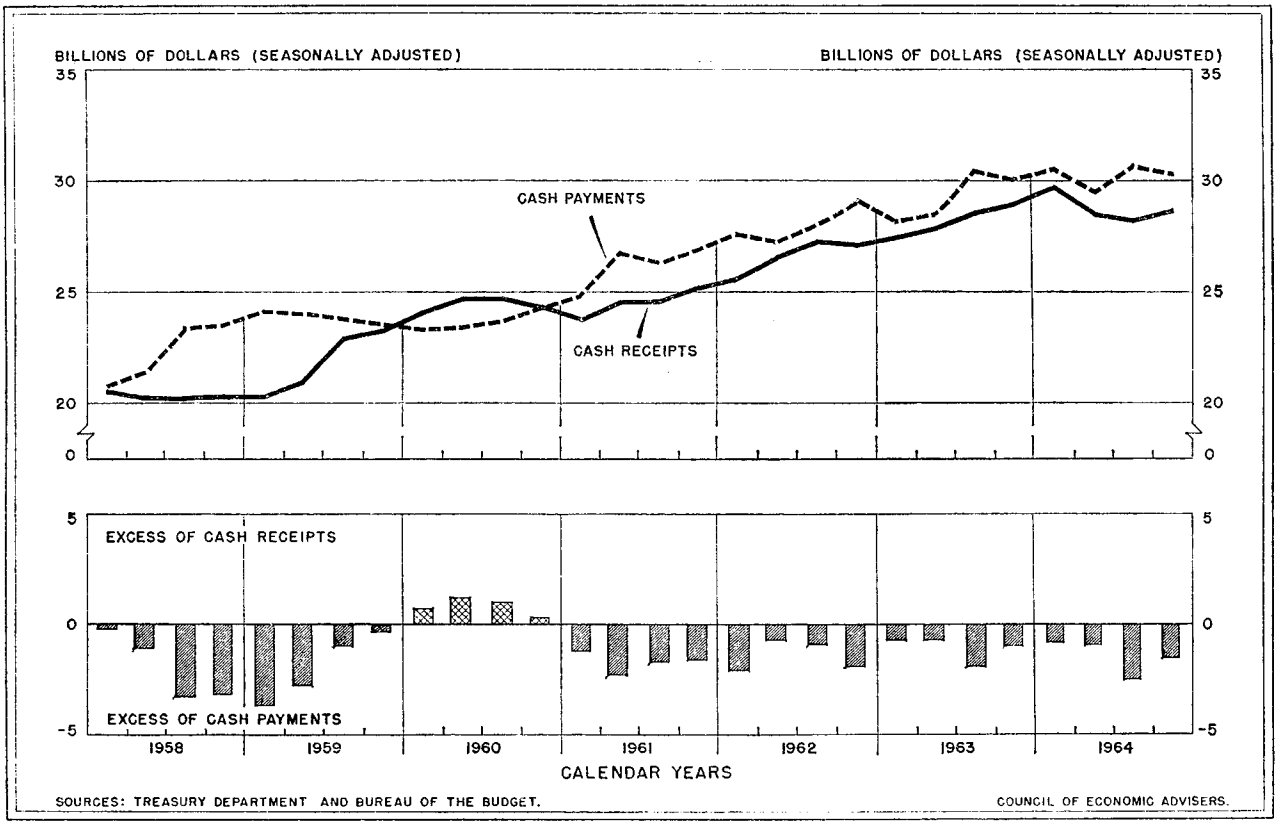
FEDERAL CASH RECEIPTS FROM AND PAYMENTS TO THE PUBLIC

In the fourth quarter of 1964, cash payments exceeded cash receipts by $1.5 billion, on a seasonally adjusted basis. For the calendar year as a whole, the excess of payments was $5.8 billion.



[Billions of dollars]

Period	Cash receipts from the public	Cash payments to the public	Excess of receipts or payments (—)	Cash receipts from the public	Cash payments to the public	Excess of receipts or payments (—)
Fiscal year:						
1958	81.9	83.5	—1.6			
1959	81.7	94.8	—13.1			
1960	95.1	94.3	.8			
1961	97.2	99.5	—2.3			
1962	101.9	107.7	—5.8			
1963	109.7	113.8	—4.0			
1964	115.5	120.3	—4.8			
1965 [1]	117.4	121.4	—4.0			
1966 [1]	123.5	127.4	—3.9			
Calendar year:						
1959	87.6	95.6	—8.0			
1960	98.3	94.7	3.6			
1961	97.9	104.7	—6.8			
1962	106.2	111.9	—5.7			
1963	112.6	117.2	—4.6			
1964 [2]	115.0	120.9	—5.8			
	Unadjusted			Seasonally adjusted		
Quarterly total (calendar years):						
1963: III	27.3	30.9	—3.6	28.5	30.4	—1.9
IV	24.5	30.6	—6.1	29.0	30.0	—1.0
1964: I	30.3	28.6	1.7	29.7	30.5	—.3
II	33.4	30.2	3.2	28.5	29.5	—1.0
III	27.0	31.1	—4.1	28.2	30.6	—2.5
IV	24.3	30.9	—6.6	28.7	30.2	—1.5

[1] Estimate. [2] Preliminary.

Sources: Treasury Department and Bureau of the Budget.

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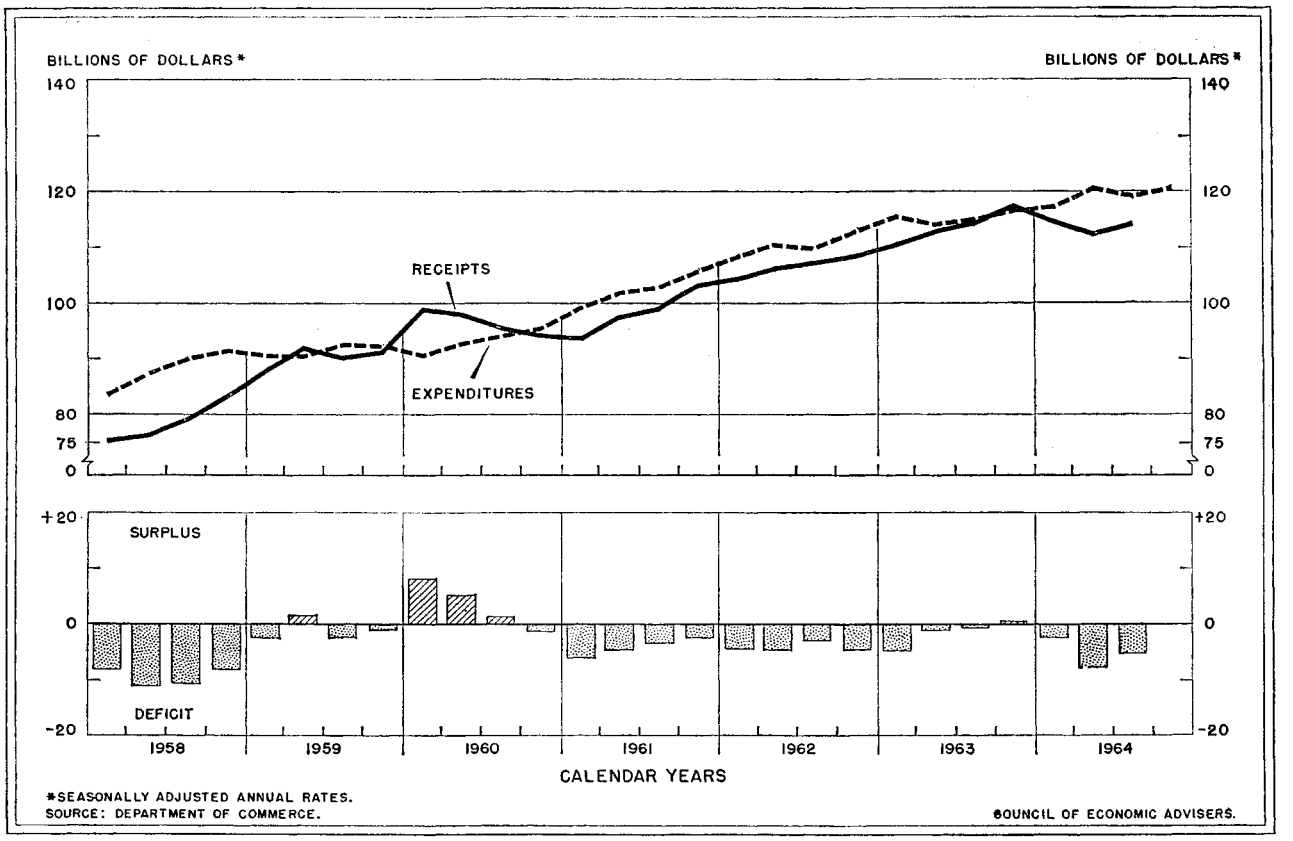
FEDERAL BUDGET, NATIONAL INCOME ACCOUNTS BASIS

Federal receipts rose $0.3 billion in calendar 1964 and expenditures by $4.0 billion, according to preliminary estimates. As a result, the deficit was $5.3 billion compared to $1.5 billion in the preceding year.



[Billions of dollars, quarterly data at seasonally adjusted annual rates]

Period	Federal Government receipts					Federal Government expenditures						Surplus or deficit (—)
	Total	Personal tax and nontax receipts	Corporate profits tax accruals	Indirect business tax and nontax accruals	Contributions to social insurance	Total	Purchases of goods and services	Transfer payments	Grants-in-aid to State and local governments	Net interest paid	Subsidies less current surplus of Govt. enterprises	
Fiscal year:												
1961	95.4	44.2	19.7	13.6	18.0	97.8	54.9	25.9	6.8	6.9	3.3	—2.4
1962	104.3	47.7	21.9	14.9	19.7	106.2	60.0	27.8	7.6	6.8	4.0	—1.9
1963	109.6	50.1	22.1	15.2	22.1	112.3	63.6	29.2	8.3	7.4	3.8	—2.8
1964	114.7	51.4	23.5	16.0	23.8	118.5	66.1	30.4	9.8	8.1	4.1	—3.9
1965 [1]	116.0	50.3	23.9	16.8	25.0	121.0	65.9	31.8	10.7	8.5	4.1	—5.0
1966 [1]	121.0	52.2	24.7	16.1	28.0	127.0	66.7	35.2	13.0	8.6	3.5	—6.0
Calendar year:												
1958	78.5	36.6	17.7	11.9	12.4	87.9	52.6	21.3	5.4	5.6	3.0	—9.4
1959	90.3	40.4	22.0	13.0	14.9	91.4	53.6	22.2	6.7	6.4	2.5	—1.1
1960	96.6	44.0	21.0	14.0	17.6	93.1	53.1	23.8	6.3	7.1	2.8	3.5
1961	98.3	45.1	20.9	14.1	18.2	102.6	57.4	27.4	7.2	6.7	3.9	—4.3
1962	106.4	49.1	21.8	15.1	20.5	110.4	62.9	28.3	8.0	7.1	4.2	—4.1
1963	113.6	51.9	23.0	15.6	23.0	115.2	64.7	29.9	9.1	7.7	3.8	—1.5
1964 [2]	113.9	49.0	24.0	16.4	24.5	119.2	65.6	31.1	10.4	8.4	3.8	—5.3
1963: III	114.2	52.2	23.0	15.7	23.2	114.9	64.4	29.6	9.4	7.8	3.7	—.7
IV	117.2	53.4	24.4	15.9	23.5	116.6	64.9	30.3	9.9	7.9	3.5	.6
1964: I	114.8	51.2	23.9	15.9	23.9	117.2	64.3	31.1	9.8	8.3	3.7	—2.4
II	112.3	47.3	24.4	16.4	24.2	120.2	67.1	30.7	10.4	8.4	3.6	—7.8
III	114.0	48.2	24.4	16.6	24.7	119.2	65.5	30.8	10.6	8.4	3.9	—5.2
IV [2]	--------	49.3	--------	16.7	25.0	120.3	65.7	31.6	10.7	8.4	4.0	--------

[1] Estimates. [2] Preliminary estimates. Source: Department of Commerce.

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