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TOTAL OUTPUT, INCOME, AND SPENDING

THE NATION'S INCOME, EXPENDITURE, AND SAVING

Gross national product increased \$32.5 billion in the third quarter to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of \$1,304.5 billion, according to revised estimates. The increase for the second quarter was \$29.5 billion and for the first quarter \$43.3 billion.

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

Period	Persons					Government						
	Disposable personal income			Personal consumption expenditures	Personal saving or dis-saving (-)	Net receipts			Expenditures			Surplus or deficit (-), income and product accounts
	Total ¹	Less: Interest paid and transfer payments to foreigners	Equals: Total excluding interest and transfers			Tax and nontax receipts or accruals	Less: Transfers, interest, and subsidies ²	Equals: Net receipts	Total expenditures	Less: Transfers, interest, and subsidies ²	Equals: Purchases of goods and services	
1967	546.3	13.9	532.4	492.1	40.4	228.9	62.8	166.2	242.9	62.8	180.1	-13.9
1968	591.0	15.1	575.9	536.2	39.8	263.5	70.7	192.7	270.3	70.7	199.6	-6.8
1969	634.4	16.7	617.7	579.5	38.2	296.7	77.9	218.8	287.9	77.9	210.0	8.8
1970	691.7	17.9	673.8	617.6	56.2	302.5	93.2	209.4	312.7	93.2	219.5	-10.1
1971	746.0	18.7	727.3	667.2	60.2	322.0	105.9	216.2	340.2	105.9	234.3	-18.1
1972	797.0	20.7	776.2	726.5	49.7	368.2	115.9	252.2	370.9	115.9	255.0	-2.8
1972: I	772.8	19.8	753.0	700.2	52.9	356.9	111.8	245.1	362.2	111.8	250.3	-5.4
II	785.4	20.3	765.1	719.2	45.9	363.3	113.0	250.3	367.2	113.0	254.2	-3.9
III	800.9	21.0	779.9	734.1	45.8	370.5	114.0	256.5	368.5	114.0	254.7	2.0
IV	828.7	21.8	806.9	752.6	54.4	382.0	125.1	256.9	385.8	125.1	260.7	-3.8
1973: I	851.5	22.1	829.4	779.4	50.0	402.7	125.3	277.4	393.9	125.3	268.6	8.9
II	869.7	23.0	846.7	795.6	51.0	414.7	127.8	286.9	403.1	127.8	275.3	11.6
III	891.1	24.1	867.0	816.0	51.1	425.4	131.6	293.8	410.8	131.6	279.0	14.7

Period	Business			Net transfers to foreigners by persons and Government	International			Excess of transfers or of net exports (-) ⁵	Total income or receipts	Statistical discrepancy	Gross national product or expenditure
	Gross retained earnings ³	Gross private domestic investment ⁴	Excess of investment (-)		Net exports of goods and services						
					Exports	Less: Imports	Equals: Net exports				
1967	93.0	116.6	-23.5	3.0	46.2	41.0	5.2	-2.2	794.6	-0.7	793.9
1968	95.4	126.0	-30.6	2.9	50.6	48.1	2.5	.4	866.9	-2.7	864.2
1969	97.0	139.0	-42.0	2.9	55.5	53.6	1.9	1.0	936.3	-6.1	930.3
1970	97.0	136.3	-39.3	3.2	62.9	59.3	3.6	-4.4	983.5	-6.4	977.1
1971	111.8	153.2	-41.4	3.6	66.3	65.5	.8	2.8	1,058.8	-3.4	1,055.5
1972	124.4	178.3	-53.9	3.7	73.5	78.1	-4.6	8.4	1,156.6	-1.5	1,155.2
1972: I	117.3	167.5	-50.2	3.9	70.3	75.8	-5.5	9.4	1,119.3	-6.7	1,112.5
II	124.1	174.7	-50.6	3.8	69.9	75.6	-5.7	9.4	1,143.3	-1.0	1,142.4
III	124.5	181.5	-57.0	3.8	74.0	77.7	-3.8	7.6	1,164.7	1.6	1,166.5
IV	131.6	189.4	-57.8	3.5	79.7	83.2	-3.5	7.0	1,198.9	.2	1,199.2
1973: I	131.5	194.5	-63.0	3.0	89.7	89.7	.0	3.0	1,241.3	1.1	1,242.5
II	132.0	198.2	-66.2	3.3	97.2	94.4	2.8	.5	1,268.9	3.2	1,272.0
III	137.0	202.0	-65.0	3.5	104.5	97.0	7.6	-4.0	1,301.3	3.3	1,304.5

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

² Government transfer payments to persons, foreign net transfers by Government, net interest paid by government, subsidies less current surplus of government enterprises, and disbursements less wage accruals.

³ Capital consumption allowances, corporate inventory valuation adjustment, undistributed corporate profits, and private wage accruals less disbursements. Does not include retained earnings of unincorporated business, which are included in disposable personal income.

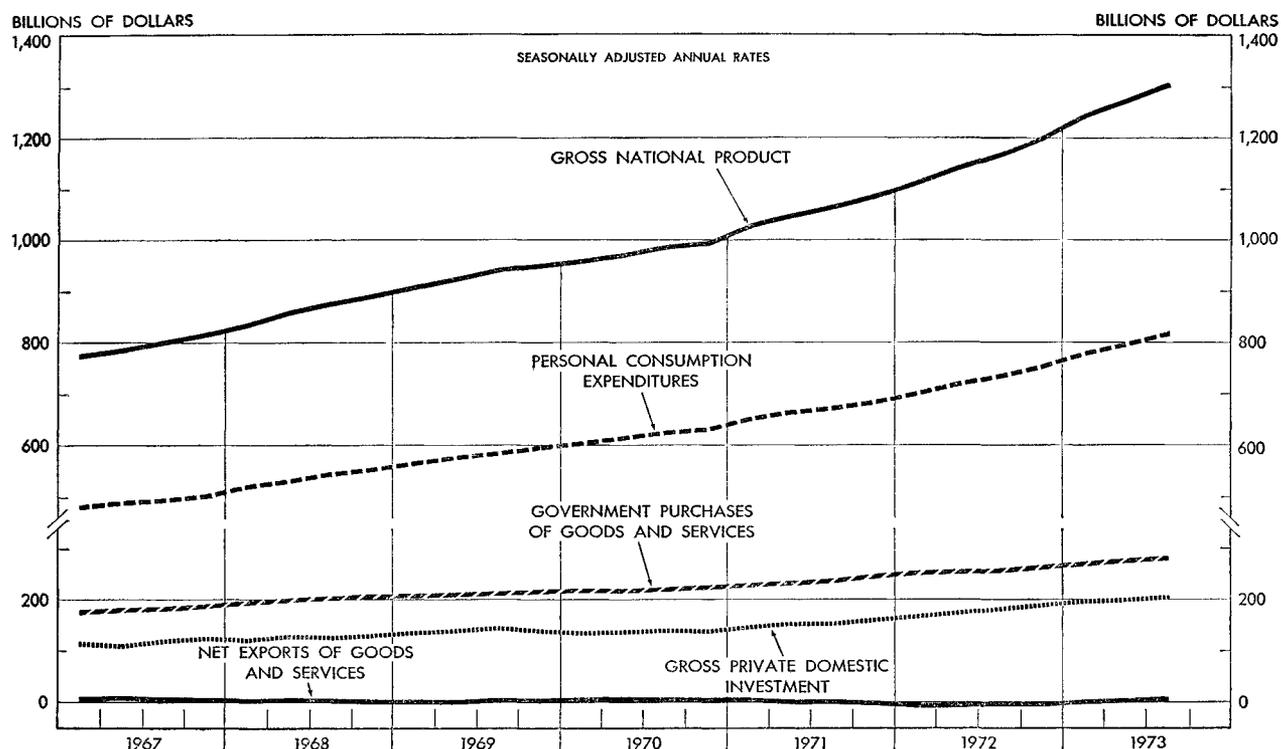
⁴ Private business investment, purchases of capital goods by private nonprofit institutions, and residential housing.

⁵ Net foreign investment less capital grants received by United States, with sign changed.

Source: Department of Commerce.

GROSS NATIONAL PRODUCT OR EXPENDITURE

In the third quarter, gross national product (seasonally adjusted) rose at an annual rate of 10.6 percent, reflecting an inflation rate of 7.0 percent and an expansion of 3.4 percent in real GNP. The rise in real GNP was somewhat higher and the price rise somewhat lower than in the second quarter.



SOURCE: DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

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Period	Total gross national product in 1958 dollars	Total gross national product	Personal consumption expenditures	Gross private domestic investment	Net exports of goods and services	Government purchases of goods and services				Implicit price deflator for total GNP, 1958=100 ²	
						Total	Federal				State and local
							Total	National defense ¹	Other		
Billions of dollars; quarterly data at seasonally adjusted annual rates											
1963.....	551.0	590.5	375.0	87.1	5.9	122.5	64.2	50.8	13.5	58.2	107.17
1964.....	581.1	632.4	401.2	94.0	8.5	128.7	65.2	50.0	15.2	63.5	108.85
1965.....	617.8	684.9	432.8	108.1	6.9	137.0	66.9	50.1	16.8	70.1	110.86
1966.....	658.1	749.9	466.3	121.4	5.3	156.8	77.8	60.7	17.1	79.0	113.95
1967.....	675.2	793.9	492.1	116.6	5.2	180.1	90.7	72.4	18.4	89.4	117.59
1968.....	706.6	864.2	536.2	126.0	2.5	199.6	98.8	78.3	20.5	100.8	122.30
1969.....	725.6	930.3	579.5	139.0	1.9	210.0	98.8	78.4	20.4	111.2	128.20
1970.....	722.5	977.1	617.6	136.3	3.6	219.5	96.2	74.6	21.6	123.3	135.24
1971.....	745.4	1,055.5	667.2	153.2	.8	234.3	98.1	71.6	26.5	136.2	141.60
1972.....	790.7	1,155.2	726.5	178.3	-4.6	255.0	104.4	74.4	30.1	150.5	146.10
1972: I.....	768.0	1,112.5	700.2	167.5	-5.5	250.7	106.0	76.5	29.5	144.3	144.85
II.....	785.6	1,142.4	719.2	174.7	-5.7	254.2	106.7	76.6	30.1	147.5	145.42
III.....	796.7	1,166.5	734.1	181.5	-3.8	254.7	102.3	71.9	30.4	152.4	146.42
IV.....	812.3	1,199.2	752.6	189.4	-3.5	260.7	102.7	72.4	30.3	158.0	147.63
1973: I.....	829.3	1,242.5	779.4	194.5	.0	268.6	105.5	74.3	31.2	163.0	149.81
II.....	834.3	1,272.0	795.6	198.2	2.8	275.3	107.3	74.2	33.1	168.0	152.46
III.....	841.3	1,304.5	816.0	202.0	7.6	279.0	106.8	74.2	32.7	172.2	155.06

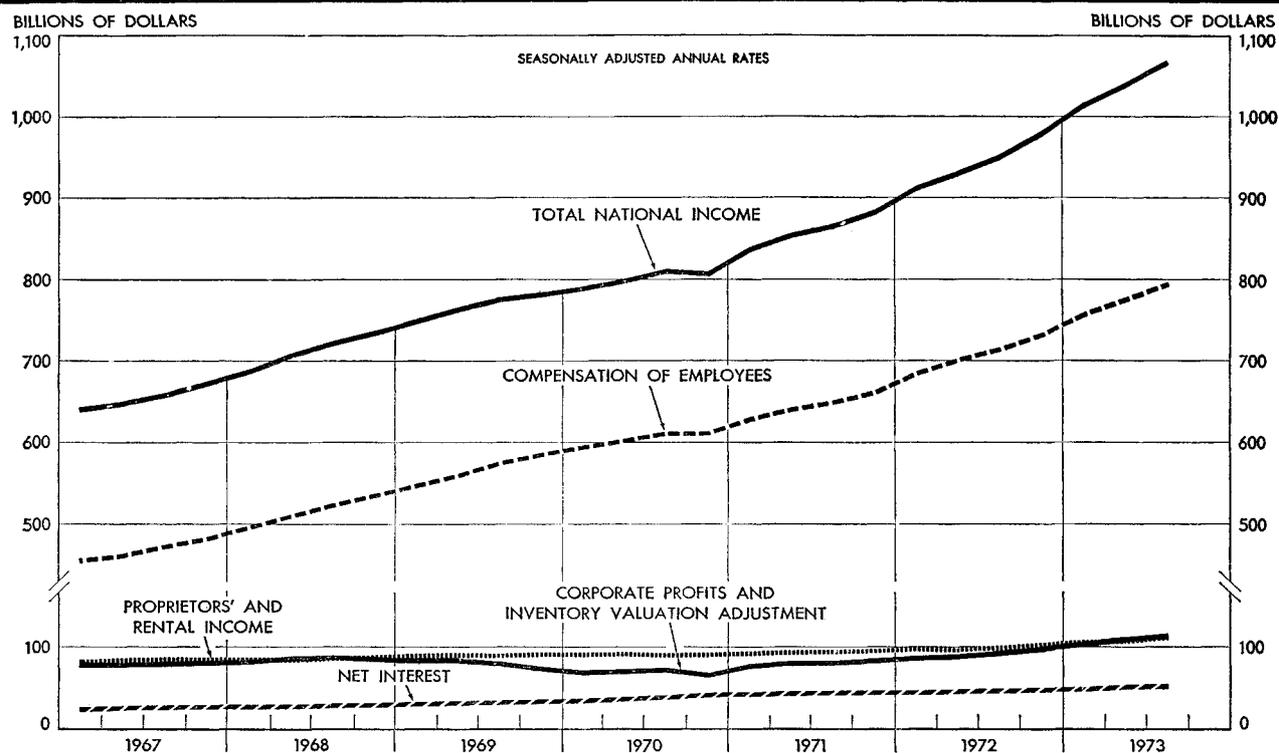
¹ This category corresponds closely with budget outlays for national defense, shown on p. 36.

² Gross national product in current dollars divided by gross national product in 1958 dollars.

Source: Department of Commerce.

NATIONAL INCOME

A \$30 billion (seasonally adjusted annual rate) rise in national income in the third quarter reflected large increase in employee compensation, farm proprietors' income, and corporate profits plus inventory valuation adjustment.



SOURCE: DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

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[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		
			Farm ²	Business and professional			Total	Profits before taxes	Inventory valuation adjustment
1963.....	481.9	341.0	13.1	37.9	17.1	13.8	58.9	59.4	-0.5
1964.....	518.1	365.7	12.1	40.2	18.0	15.8	66.3	66.8	-0.5
1965.....	564.3	393.8	14.8	42.4	19.0	18.2	76.1	77.8	-1.7
1966.....	620.6	435.5	16.1	45.2	20.0	21.4	82.4	84.2	-1.8
1967.....	653.6	467.2	14.8	47.3	21.1	24.4	78.7	79.8	-1.1
1968.....	711.1	514.6	14.7	49.5	21.2	26.9	84.3	87.6	-3.3
1969.....	766.0	566.0	16.7	50.5	22.6	30.5	79.8	84.9	-5.1
1970.....	800.5	603.9	16.9	50.0	23.9	36.5	69.2	74.0	-4.8
1971.....	859.4	644.1	16.8	51.9	24.5	42.0	80.1	85.1	-4.9
1972.....	941.8	707.1	20.2	54.0	24.1	45.2	91.1	98.0	-6.9
1972: I.....	911.0	684.3	19.5	53.1	24.1	43.9	86.2	92.8	-6.6
II.....	928.3	699.6	19.9	53.3	22.6	44.8	88.0	94.8	-6.7
III.....	949.2	713.1	19.8	54.3	24.9	45.7	91.5	98.4	-6.9
IV.....	978.6	731.2	21.8	55.3	24.9	46.6	98.8	106.1	-7.3
1973: I.....	1,015.0	757.4	24.3	56.3	24.7	47.9	104.3	119.6	-15.4
II.....	1,038.2	774.9	24.4	57.1	24.6	49.4	107.9	128.9	-21.1
III ^p	1,067.8	794.0	27.1	57.9	25.3	51.1	112.4	129.4	-17.0

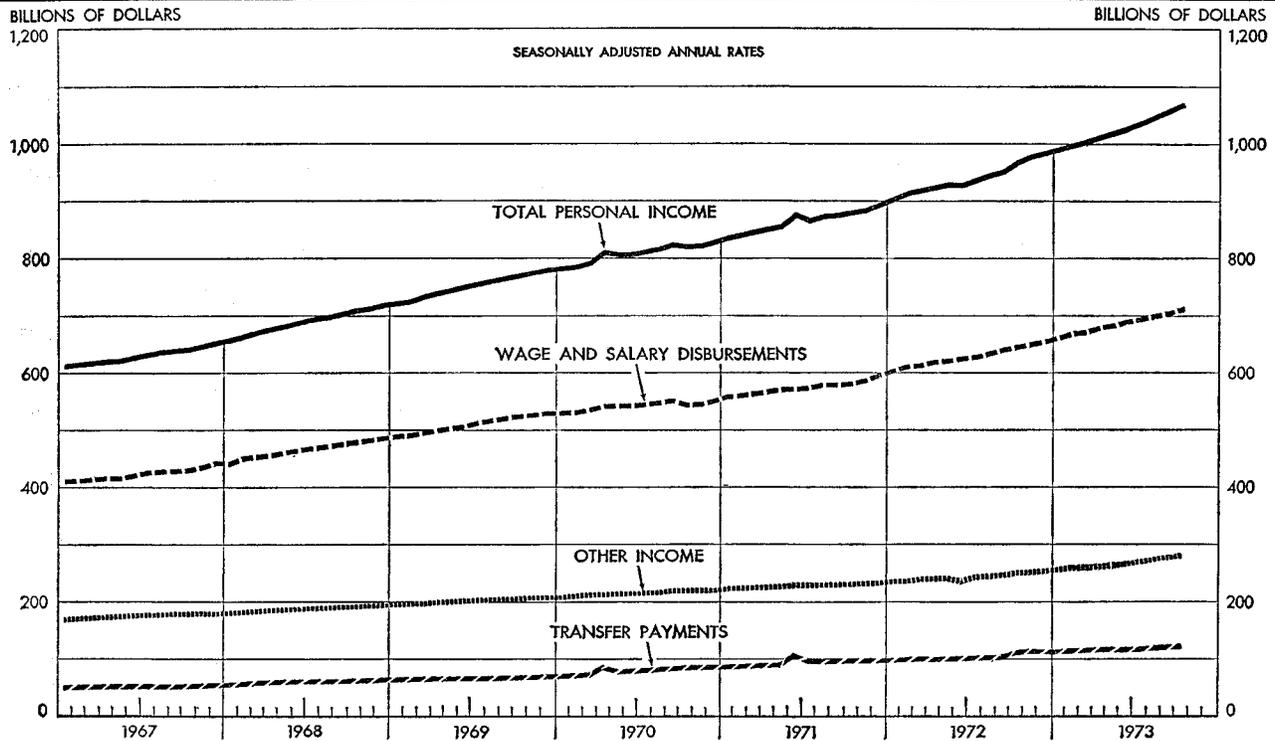
¹ Includes employer contributions for social insurance. (See also p. 4.)

² Excludes farm profits of corporations engaged in farming and therefore differs from net farm income (including net inventory change) on p. 6 which includes such profits.

Source: Department of Commerce.

SOURCES OF PERSONAL INCOME

Personal income rose \$9.2 billion (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in October, somewhat less than the rise in August and September. Wages and salaries rose \$6.3 billion, of which \$1.5 billion reflected the pay increase for Federal workers (military and civilian) that went into effect in early October.



SOURCE: DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

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

Period	Total personal income	Wage and salary disbursements ¹	Other labor income ^{1,2}	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						
1965-----	538.9	358.9	18.7	14.8	42.4	19.0	19.8	38.7	39.9	13.4	519.5
1966-----	587.2	394.5	20.7	16.1	45.2	20.0	20.8	43.6	44.1	17.7	566.3
1967-----	629.3	423.1	22.3	14.8	47.3	21.1	21.4	48.0	51.8	20.5	609.4
1968-----	688.9	464.9	25.4	14.7	49.5	21.2	23.6	52.9	59.6	22.8	668.8
1969-----	750.9	509.7	28.4	16.7	50.5	22.6	24.3	59.3	65.8	26.3	728.3
1970-----	808.3	542.0	32.2	16.9	50.0	23.9	24.7	67.5	79.1	28.0	784.8
1971-----	863.5	573.3	36.6	16.8	51.9	24.5	25.1	73.0	93.2	30.9	839.8
1972-----	939.2	627.8	40.7	20.2	54.0	24.1	26.0	78.0	103.0	34.7	911.5
1972: Sept.---	951.3	638.7	41.6	20.3	54.3	25.1	26.2	78.9	101.4	35.2	923.6
Oct.---	967.0	643.8	42.0	20.8	55.1	25.1	26.3	79.6	109.7	35.4	938.8
Nov.---	977.6	648.4	42.3	22.4	55.1	24.7	26.3	80.4	113.7	35.7	947.7
Dec.---	983.6	654.0	42.7	22.3	55.6	24.9	26.5	81.1	112.6	35.9	953.6
1973: Jan.---	989.1	661.7	43.0	24.0	56.1	24.8	26.8	81.9	112.5	41.7	957.4
Feb.---	997.4	667.2	43.3	24.3	56.3	24.8	26.9	82.6	113.8	41.9	965.3
Mar.---	1,003.3	671.1	43.6	24.6	56.4	24.6	27.0	83.4	114.5	42.0	970.9
Apr.---	1,011.6	677.6	43.9	24.2	56.8	24.3	27.3	84.5	115.3	42.4	979.5
May.---	1,018.7	682.0	44.2	24.4	57.1	24.6	27.3	85.7	115.9	42.5	986.4
June.---	1,026.6	688.2	44.5	24.6	57.3	24.9	27.4	86.5	116.0	42.8	994.2
July.---	1,035.6	693.2	44.8	25.9	57.8	25.0	27.6	87.8	116.9	43.4	1,001.8
Aug.---	1,047.3	698.9	45.3	27.1	58.0	25.3	28.2	89.0	119.0	43.6	1,012.1
Sept.---	1,058.5	706.0	45.8	28.3	58.1	25.5	28.3	90.3	120.2	43.9	1,021.8
Oct. ² ---	1,067.7	712.3	46.2	28.3	58.2	25.6	28.5	91.2	121.4	44.0	1,030.8

¹ The total of wage and salary disbursements and other labor income differs from compensation of employees (see p. 3) in that it excludes employer contributions for social insurance and the excess of wage accruals over wage disbursements.

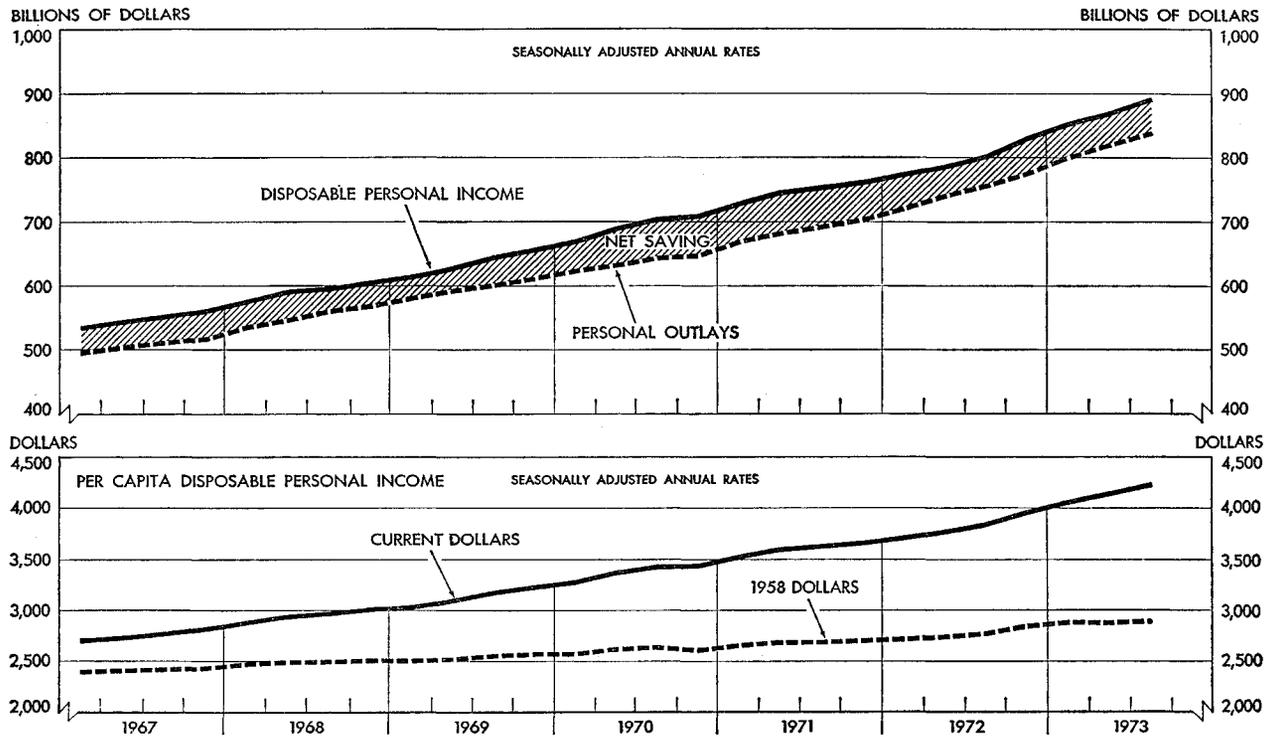
² Consists of employer contributions to private pension, health, and welfare funds; compensation for injuries; directors' fees; military reserve pay; and a few other minor items.

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

Source: Department of Commerce.

DISPOSITION OF PERSONAL INCOME

In the third quarter, disposable personal income (seasonally adjusted) rose by the same amount as personal outlays, resulting in almost no change in personal saving. Real per capita disposable income also increased a little, and was 4.4 percent above a year earlier.



SOURCE: DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

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Period	Personal income	Less: Personal tax and nontax payments	Equals: Disposable personal income	Less: Personal outlays				Equals: Personal saving	Per capita disposable personal income		Saving as percent of disposable personal income (percent)	Population (thousands) ³
				Total personal outlays ¹	Personal consumption expenditures ²				Current dollars	1958 dollars		
					Durable goods	Non-durable goods	Services					
Billions of dollars												
1965	538.9	65.7	473.2	444.8	66.3	191.1	175.5	28.4	2,436	2,239	6.0	194,303
1966	587.2	75.4	511.9	479.3	70.8	206.9	188.6	32.5	2,604	2,335	6.4	196,560
1967	629.3	83.0	546.3	506.0	73.1	215.0	204.0	40.4	2,749	2,403	7.4	198,712
1968	688.9	97.9	591.0	551.2	84.0	230.8	221.3	39.8	2,945	2,486	6.7	200,706
1969	750.9	116.5	634.4	596.2	90.8	245.9	242.7	38.2	3,130	2,534	6.0	202,677
1970	808.3	116.6	691.7	635.5	91.3	263.8	262.6	56.2	3,376	2,610	8.1	204,879
1971	863.5	117.5	746.0	685.8	103.6	278.7	284.9	60.2	3,603	2,680	8.1	207,045
1972	939.2	142.2	797.0	747.2	117.4	299.9	309.2	49.7	3,816	2,767	6.2	208,842
Seasonally adjusted annual rates												
Dollars												
1972: I	910.8	138.0	772.8	720.0	111.5	288.8	300.0	52.9	3,711	2,716	6.8	208,259
1972: II	926.1	140.7	785.4	739.5	115.1	297.9	306.2	45.9	3,765	2,740	5.8	208,634
1972: III	943.7	142.8	800.9	755.1	120.2	302.3	311.6	45.8	3,831	2,771	5.7	209,058
1972: IV	976.1	147.4	828.7	774.3	122.9	310.7	319.0	54.4	3,955	2,841	6.6	209,514
1973: I	996.6	145.1	851.5	801.5	132.2	322.2	325.0	50.0	4,057	2,878	5.9	209,871
1973: II	1,019.0	149.3	869.7	818.7	132.8	330.3	332.6	51.0	4,137	2,877	5.9	210,221
1973: III	1,047.1	156.0	891.1	840.1	132.8	341.6	341.6	51.1	4,231	2,894	5.7	210,618

¹Includes personal consumption expenditures, interest paid by consumers, and personal transfer payments to foreigners.

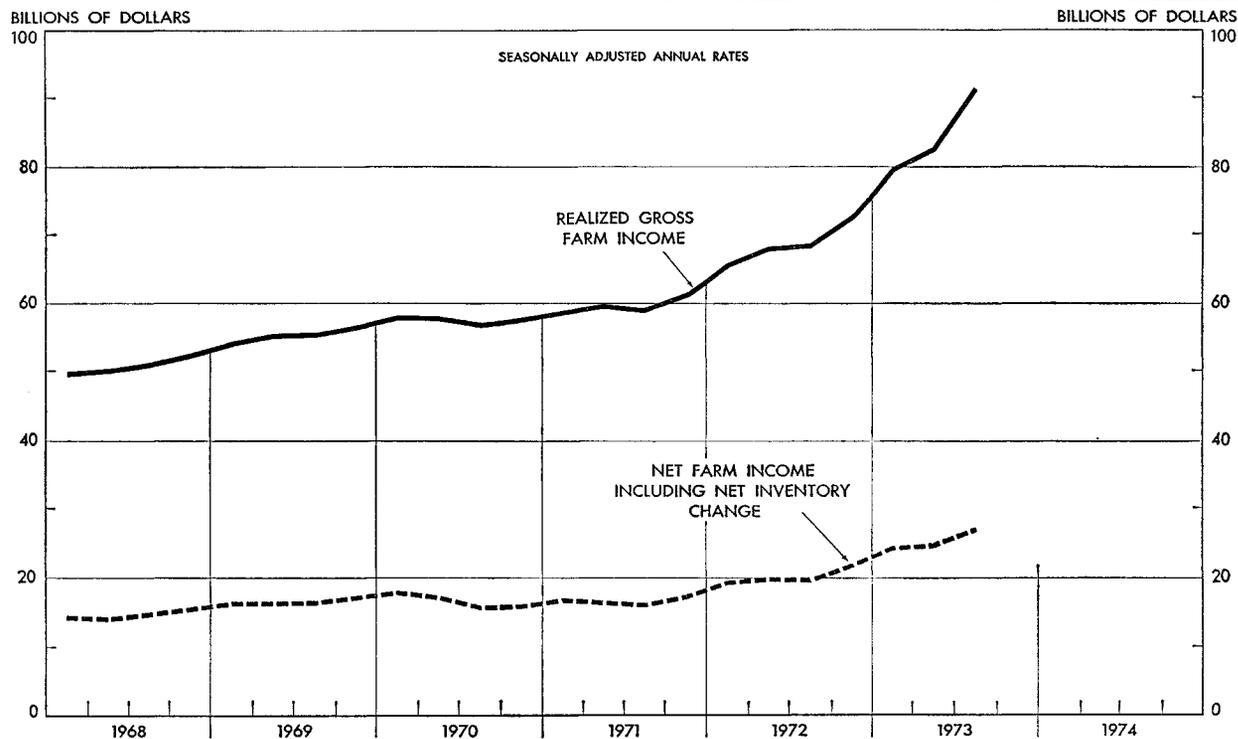
²See p. 2 for total personal consumption expenditures.

³Includes Armed Forces abroad. Annual data are for July 1; quarterly data are for middle of period, interpolated from monthly data.

Source: Department of

FARM INCOME

In the third quarter, net farm income excluding inventory change (seasonally adjusted) rose 4 percent and including inventory change 10 percent. Real net income per farm was 24 percent higher than a year earlier.



SOURCE: DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

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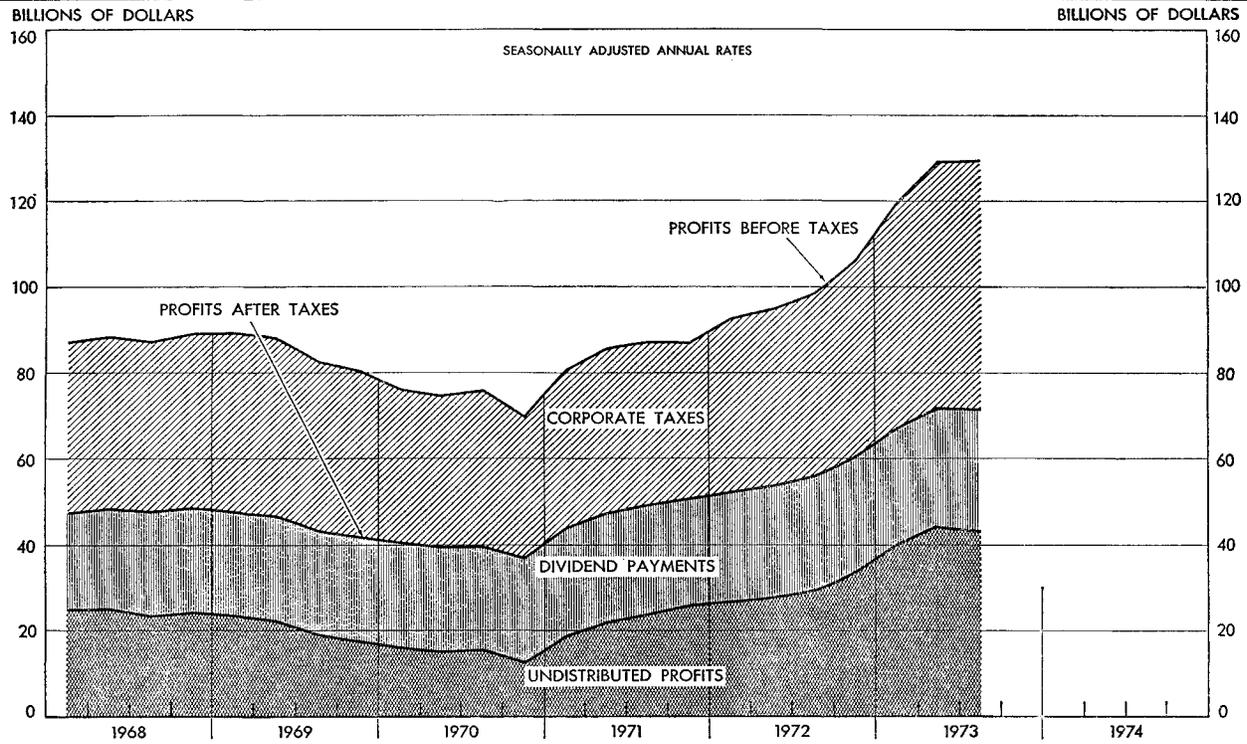
Period	Personal income received by total farm population			Income received from farming						Net income per farm including net inventory change ³	
	From all sources	From farm sources	From nonfarm sources	Realized gross		Production expenses	Net to farm operators		Current dollars	1967 dollars ⁴	
				Total ¹	Cash receipts from marketings		Excluding net inventory change	Including net inventory change ²			
	Billions of dollars									Dollars	
1965	23.6	13.5	10.0	44.9	39.3	30.9	14.0	15.0	4,465	4,700	
1966	24.9	14.4	10.5	49.7	43.3	33.4	16.3	16.3	4,990	5,092	
1967	24.0	13.1	10.9	49.0	42.7	34.8	14.2	14.9	4,707	4,707	
1968	25.1	13.2	11.9	50.9	44.1	36.2	14.7	14.8	4,828	4,642	
1969	27.6	14.9	12.7	55.6	48.1	38.8	16.8	16.9	5,620	5,156	
1970	28.3	15.1	13.2	57.8	50.5	41.0	16.8	16.9	5,725	5,022	
1971	29.2	15.2	14.0	59.7	52.8	44.5	15.2	16.9	5,817	4,888	
1972	34.0	18.1	15.9	68.9	60.7	49.2	19.7	20.3	7,089	5,717	
	Seasonally adjusted annual rates										
1972: I				65.8	57.8	47.0	18.8	19.6	6,830	5,600	
1972: II				68.1	59.8	48.8	19.3	20.0	6,970	5,620	
1972: III				68.7	60.5	49.4	19.3	19.9	6,930	5,540	
1972: IV				72.8	64.6	51.5	21.3	21.9	7,630	6,060	
1973: I				79.8	72.4	55.8	24.0	24.4	8,620	6,580	
1973: II				82.5	75.5	58.0	24.5	24.7	8,720	6,410	
1973: III				91.4	84.5	65.9	25.5	27.2	9,610	6,860	

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. Also, see footnote 2, p. 3.
³ Based on Census of Agriculture definition of a farm. The number of farms is held constant within a year.

⁴ Income in current dollars divided by the index of prices paid by farmers for family living items on a 1967 base.
 Source: Department of Agriculture.

CORPORATE PROFITS

Although corporate profits before taxes rose only \$½ billion (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in the third quarter, the rise including inventory valuation adjustment came to \$4½ billion, according to preliminary estimates. A leveling out in after-tax profits brought to a halt 10 straight quarters of increases.



SOURCE: DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

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[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 ²	Profits plus capital consumption allowances ³
	All industries	Manufacturing			Transportation, communication, and public utilities	All other ¹			Total	Dividend payments	Undistributed profits		
		Total	Durable goods industries	Non-durable goods industries									
1965	76.1	39.3	22.8	16.6	11.1	25.6	77.8	31.3	46.5	19.8	26.7	36.4	82.9
1966	82.4	42.6	24.0	18.6	11.9	27.9	84.2	34.3	49.9	20.8	29.1	39.5	89.5
1967	78.7	38.7	20.7	18.0	10.8	29.1	79.8	33.2	46.6	21.4	25.3	43.0	89.6
1968	84.3	41.7	22.4	19.3	10.6	32.0	87.6	39.9	47.8	23.6	24.2	46.8	94.6
1969	79.8	36.6	18.8	17.7	10.1	33.1	84.9	40.1	44.8	24.3	20.5	51.9	96.8
1970	69.2	27.8	10.5	17.3	7.8	33.7	74.0	34.8	39.3	24.7	14.6	56.0	95.2
1971	80.1	32.5	14.7	17.8	8.6	39.1	85.1	37.4	47.6	25.1	22.5	60.4	108.0
1972	91.1	40.1	20.2	20.0	9.3	41.7	98.0	42.7	55.4	26.0	29.3	65.9	121.3
1972: I	86.2	37.3	18.7	18.6	8.5	40.4	92.8	40.6	52.2	25.7	26.5	63.4	115.6
II	88.0	38.7	20.2	18.5	8.9	40.4	94.8	41.4	53.4	25.9	27.5	66.2	119.6
III	91.5	39.9	19.5	20.4	9.8	41.7	98.4	42.9	55.6	26.2	29.4	66.0	121.6
IV	98.8	44.7	22.3	22.4	9.9	44.3	106.1	45.9	60.3	26.4	33.9	68.0	128.3
1973: I	104.3	49.7	26.9	22.8	9.2	45.4	119.6	52.7	66.9	26.9	40.0	69.3	136.2
II	107.9	52.4	28.5	23.9	8.5	47.0	128.9	57.4	71.6	27.3	44.2	70.5	142.1
III ^p	112.4						129.4	57.9	71.5	28.1	43.5	71.8	143.3

¹ Includes all other industries and financial institutions.

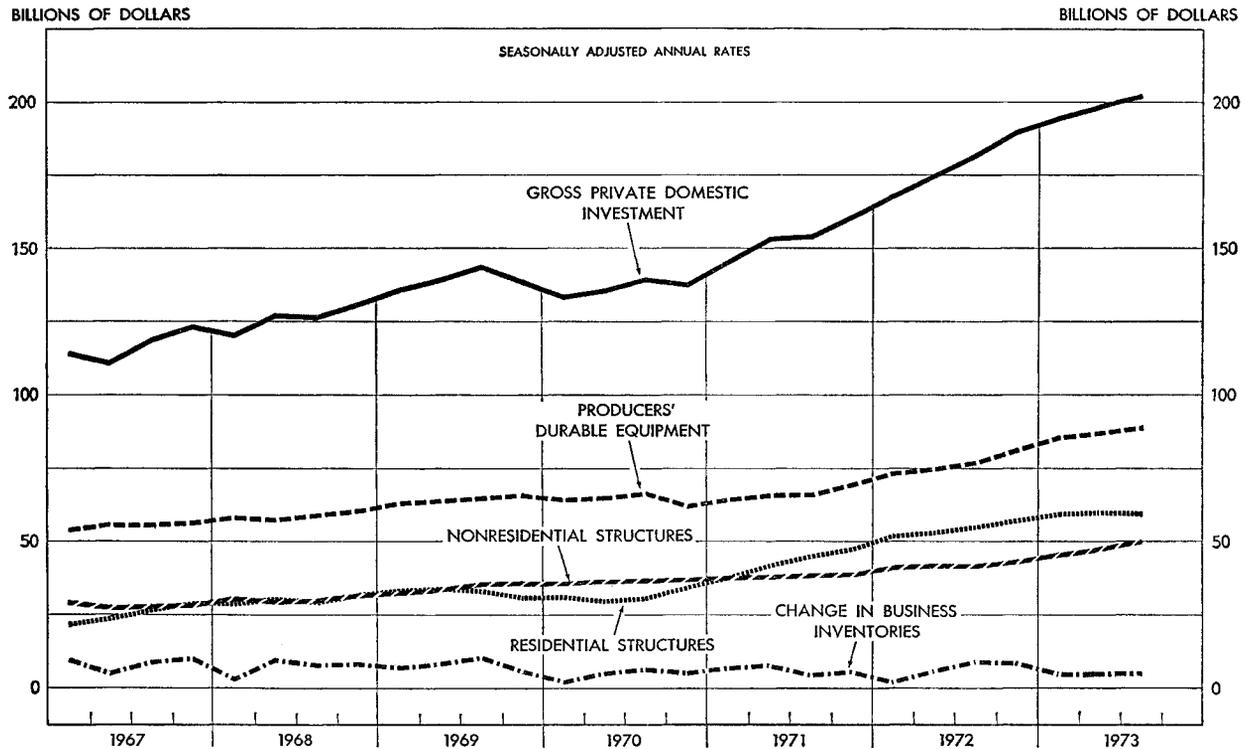
² Includes depreciation and accidental damages.

³ Corporate profits after taxes plus corporate capital consumption allowances.

Source: Department of Commerce.

GROSS PRIVATE DOMESTIC INVESTMENT

Gross private domestic investment rose moderately in the third quarter mainly because of the rise in nonresidential fixed investment. Residential construction outlays edged down for the first time in over 3 years while inventory investment was unchanged, according to revised estimates.



SOURCES: DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

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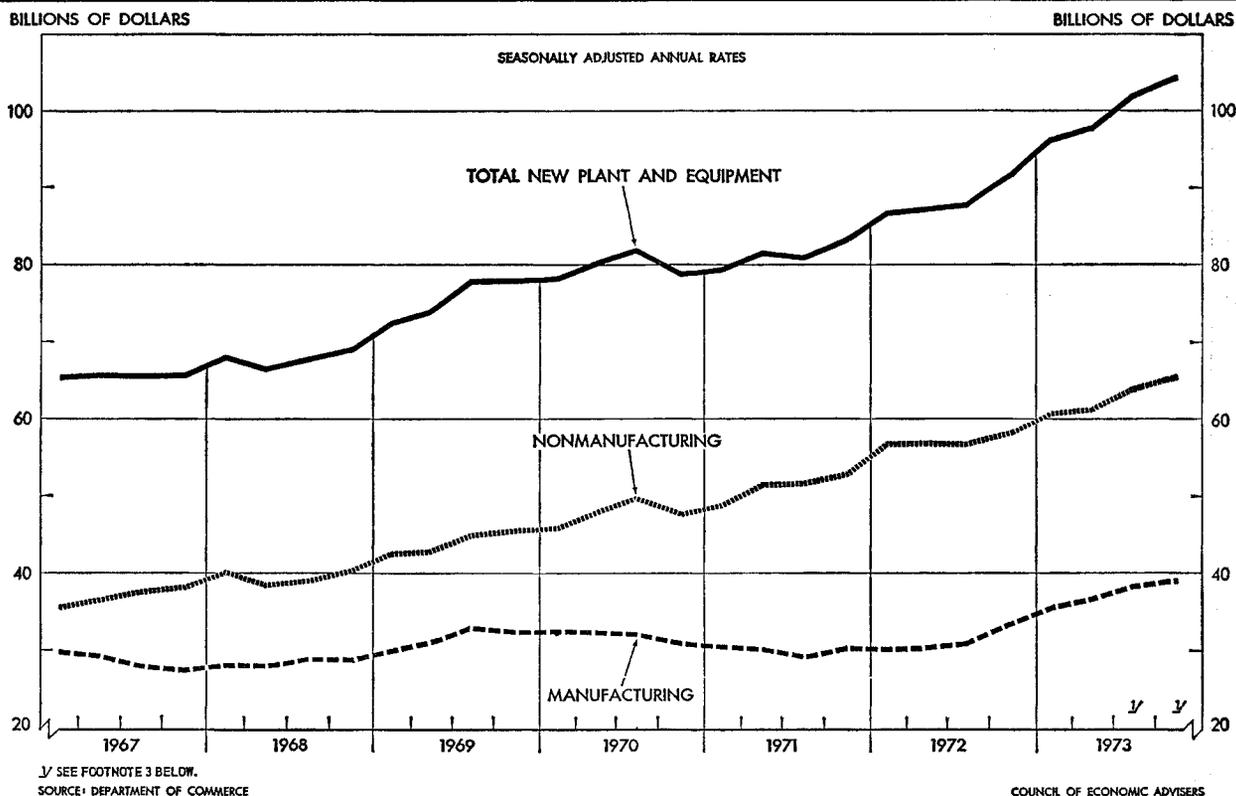
[Billions of dollars; quarterly data at seasonally adjusted annual rates]

Period	Total gross private domestic investment	Fixed investment								Change in business inventories	
		Total	Nonresidential				Residential structures		Total	Non-farm	
			Total	Structures		Producers' durable equipment		Total			Non-farm
				Total	Non-farm	Total	Non-farm				
1963	87.1	81.3	54.3	19.5	18.8	34.8	31.2	27.0	26.4	5.9	5.1
1964	94.0	88.2	61.1	21.2	20.5	39.9	36.3	27.1	26.6	5.8	6.4
1965	108.1	98.5	71.3	25.5	24.9	45.8	41.6	27.2	26.7	9.6	8.6
1966	121.4	106.6	81.6	28.5	27.8	53.1	48.4	25.0	24.5	14.8	15.0
1967	116.6	108.4	83.3	28.0	27.3	55.3	50.0	25.1	24.5	8.2	7.5
1968	126.0	118.9	88.8	30.3	29.6	58.5	53.6	30.1	29.5	7.1	6.9
1969	139.0	131.1	98.5	34.2	33.5	64.3	59.2	32.6	32.0	7.8	7.7
1970	136.3	131.7	100.6	36.1	35.3	64.4	58.9	31.2	30.7	4.5	4.3
1971	153.2	147.1	104.4	37.9	37.0	66.5	60.9	42.7	42.2	6.1	4.5
1972	178.3	172.3	118.2	41.7	40.8	76.5	69.8	54.0	53.5	6.0	5.6
1972: I	167.5	165.8	114.0	41.0	40.1	73.1	67.3	51.8	51.2	1.7	1.4
1972: II	174.7	169.2	116.3	41.5	40.6	74.9	68.9	52.8	52.3	5.5	4.8
1972: III	181.5	172.9	118.3	41.3	40.4	77.0	69.8	54.5	53.9	8.7	8.4
1972: IV	189.4	181.2	124.3	43.0	42.1	81.2	73.4	56.9	56.4	8.2	7.9
1973: I	194.5	189.9	130.9	45.3	44.4	85.5	77.8	59.0	58.4	4.6	4.4
1973: II	198.2	193.7	134.1	47.2	46.3	86.9	78.4	59.6	59.1	4.5	4.4
1973: III	202.0	197.3	138.0	49.5	48.5	88.6	80.0	59.2	58.6	4.7	3.2

Source: Department of Commerce.

EXPENDITURES FOR NEW PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

Businessmen in the July-August survey projected a 13 percent rise in plant and equipment expenditures from 1972 to 1973. Outlays were expected to show a strong rise from the first to the second half of this year.



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

Period	Total ¹	Manufacturing			Nonmanufacturing							
		Total	Durable goods	Non-durable goods	Total	Mining	Transportation			Public utilities	Communication	Commercial and other ²
							Rail-road	Air	Other			
1965	54.42	23.44	11.50	11.94	30.98	1.46	1.99	1.22	1.68	6.13	5.30	13.19
1966	63.51	28.20	14.06	14.14	35.32	1.62	2.37	1.74	1.64	7.43	6.02	14.48
1967	65.47	28.51	14.06	14.45	36.96	1.65	1.86	2.29	1.48	8.74	6.34	14.59
1968	67.76	28.37	14.12	14.25	39.40	1.63	1.45	2.56	1.59	10.20	6.83	15.14
1969	75.56	31.68	15.96	15.72	43.88	1.86	1.86	2.51	1.68	11.61	8.30	16.05
1970	79.71	31.95	15.80	16.15	47.76	1.89	1.78	3.03	1.23	13.14	10.10	16.59
1971	81.21	29.99	14.15	15.84	51.22	2.16	1.67	1.88	1.38	15.30	10.77	18.05
1972	88.44	31.35	15.64	15.72	57.09	2.42	1.80	2.46	1.46	17.00	11.89	20.07
1973 ³	100.20	37.44	19.07	18.38	62.75	2.83	2.01	2.34	1.54	19.36	13.24	21.44
1972: I	86.79	30.09	15.06	15.02	56.70	2.42	2.10	1.96	1.48	16.92	11.71	20.10
II	87.12	30.37	14.77	15.60	56.75	2.38	1.88	2.89	1.53	16.60	11.59	19.88
III	87.67	30.98	15.67	15.31	56.70	2.40	1.50	2.67	1.41	17.01	11.56	20.16
IV	91.94	33.64	16.86	16.78	58.30	2.46	1.71	2.33	1.42	17.53	12.63	20.21
1973: I	96.19	35.51	17.88	17.63	60.68	2.59	2.11	2.21	1.53	18.38	12.34	21.53
II	97.76	36.58	18.64	17.94	61.18	2.77	1.75	2.72	1.62	18.08	12.70	21.55
III ³	101.88	38.18	19.52	18.66	63.70	3.00	2.03	2.37	1.72	19.84	34.74	
IV ³	104.36	39.05	19.98	19.08	65.30	2.94	2.16	2.05	1.33	20.96	35.86	

¹ Excludes agricultural business; real estate operators; medical, legal, educational, and cultural service; and nonprofit organizations.

² Includes trade, service, construction, finance, and insurance.

³ Estimates based on expected capital expenditures as reported by business in late July and August 1973. Includes adjustments when necessary for systematic tendencies in expectations data.

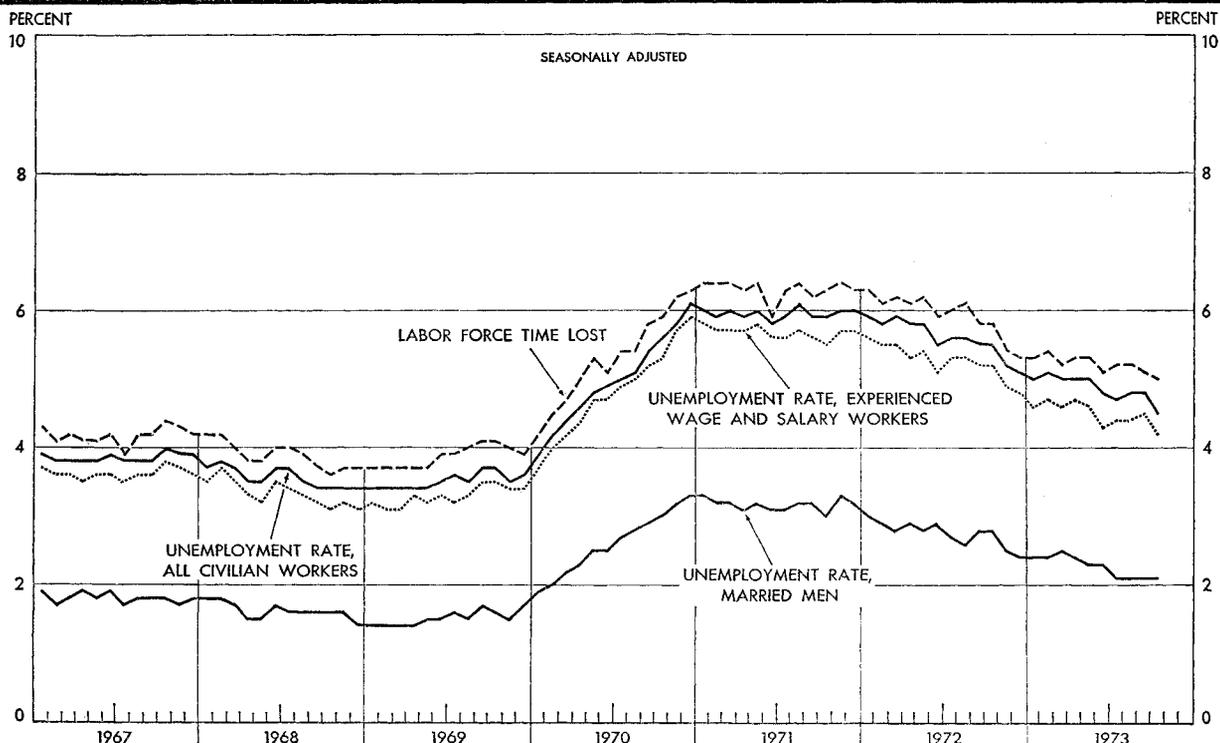
NOTE.—Annual total is the sum of unadjusted expenditures; it does not necessarily coincide with the average of seasonally adjusted figures.

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

Source: Department of Commerce.

SELECTED MEASURES OF UNEMPLOYMENT AND PART-TIME EMPLOYMENT

In October the unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted) declined by 0.3 percentage point to 4.5 percent. This is a decline of 1.0 percentage points since October 1972. The unemployment rate for married men was 2.1 percent for the fourth consecutive month. Labor force time lost again declined by 0.1 percentage point, to a level of 5.0 percent.



SOURCE: DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

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Period	Unemployment rate (percent of civilian labor force in group)			Labor force time lost ¹	Persons at work in nonagricultural industries by hours worked per week ²							
	All workers	Experienced wage and salary workers	Married men (wife present)		Over 40 hours	35-40 hours	Total	Under 35 hours		Part-time for economic reasons		
								Usually full-time ³	Usually part-time ⁴	Usually full-time ³	Usually part-time ⁴	
	Percent			Thousands of persons 16 years of age and over								
1969-----	3.5	3.3	1.5	3.9	20,608	34,201	15,210	955	855	-----	-----	
1970-----	4.9	4.8	2.6	5.3	18,925	33,537	18,222	1,201	995	-----	-----	
1971-----	5.9	5.7	3.2	6.4	19,095	35,752	16,298	1,184	1,256	-----	-----	
1972-----	5.6	5.3	2.8	6.0	20,320	36,794	16,549	1,081	1,327	-----	-----	
	<i>Seasonally adjusted</i>				<i>Unadjusted</i>						<i>Seasonally adjusted</i>	
1972: Sept-----	5.5	5.2	2.8	5.8	21,881	37,409	15,176	1,107	1,136	1,070	1,277	
Oct-----	5.5	5.2	2.8	5.8	20,735	33,864	20,979	980	1,086	1,027	1,237	
Nov-----	5.2	4.9	2.5	5.4	21,404	37,566	17,379	946	1,065	1,025	1,192	
Dec-----	5.1	4.8	2.4	5.3	21,740	37,483	17,543	917	1,073	968	1,213	
1973: Jan-----	5.0	4.6	2.4	5.3	19,527	35,819	18,557	951	948	893	1,130	
Feb-----	5.1	4.7	2.4	5.4	20,311	35,844	19,305	1,020	1,068	1,020	1,254	
Mar-----	5.0	4.6	2.5	5.2	21,485	37,537	17,378	967	1,096	940	1,258	
Apr-----	5.0	4.7	2.4	5.3	20,968	37,983	18,000	966	962	987	1,149	
May-----	5.0	4.6	2.3	5.3	21,966	37,904	17,239	949	1,031	1,042	1,216	
June-----	4.8	4.3	2.3	5.1	21,467	38,306	15,714	1,195	1,772	1,083	1,420	
July-----	4.7	4.4	2.1	5.2	20,424	37,040	14,283	1,129	1,886	1,192	1,222	
Aug-----	4.8	4.4	2.1	5.2	20,503	37,125	14,326	1,315	1,567	1,190	1,109	
Sept-----	4.8	4.5	2.1	5.1	22,631	38,451	16,172	1,126	1,092	1,090	1,228	
Oct-----	4.5	4.2	2.1	5.0	21,797	34,956	22,136	⁵ 1,046	⁵ 1,108	1,098	1,263	

¹ Man-hours lost by the unemployed and persons on part-time for economic reasons as a percent of potentially available labor force man-hours.

² Differs from total nonagricultural employment (p. 10), 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.

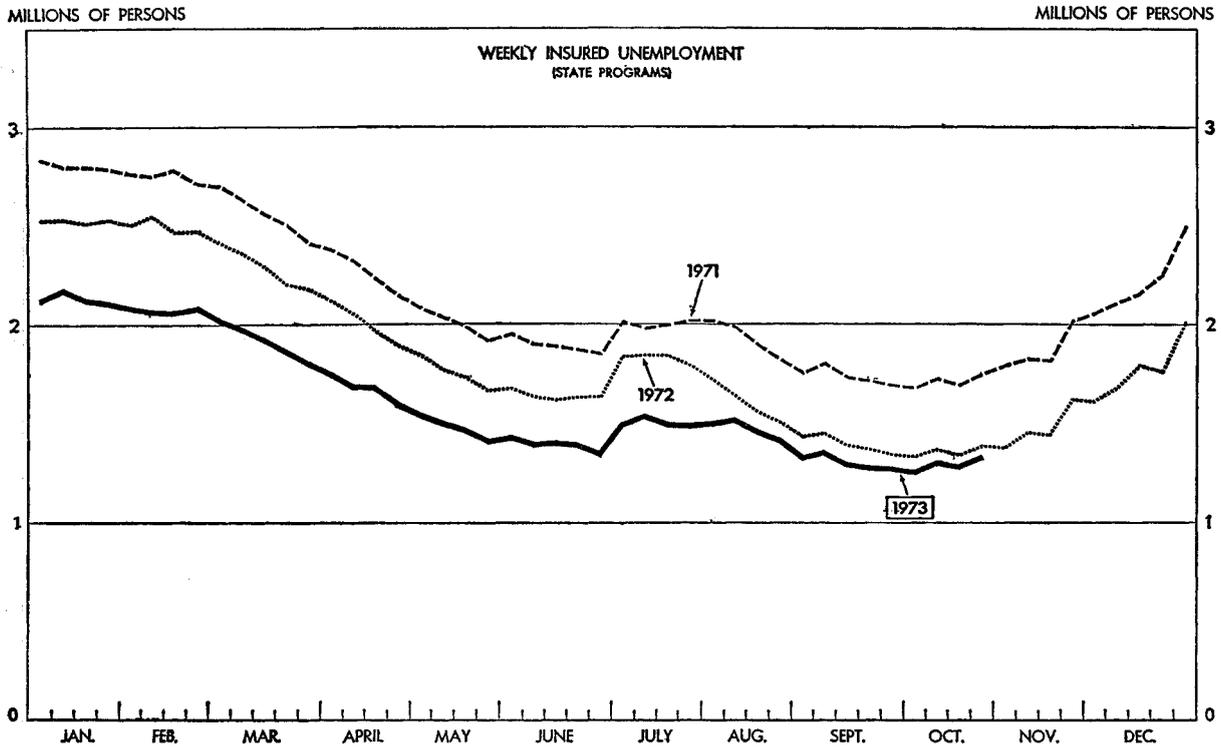
⁴ Primarily includes persons who could find only part-time work.

⁵ Average hours worked: usually full-time, 23.7; usually part-time, 19.1.

Source: Department of Labor.

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE PROGRAMS

In October, insured unemployment under State programs averaged 65,000 lower than a year earlier. The seasonally adjusted insured unemployment rate was 2.7 percent for the seventh month in a row.



SOURCE: DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

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Period	All programs			State programs					Benefits paid	
	Covered employment	Insured unemployment (weekly average)	Total benefits paid (millions of dollars)	Insured unemployment	Initial claims	Exhaustions	Insured unemployment as percent of covered employment		Total (millions of dollars)	Average weekly check (dollars)
							Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted		
	Thousands			Weekly average, thousands			Percent			
1969	59,999	1,177	2,298.6	1,101	200	16	2.1		2,127.9	46.17
1970	59,526	2,070	4,179.1	1,805	296	25	3.4		3,848.5	50.34
1971 ^p	59,375	2,313	5,498.2	2,150	295	38	4.1		4,957.0	54.02
1972 ^p		2,185	5,000.0	1,850	265	37	3.5		4,550.0	57.00
1972: Sept ^p		1,554	313.5	1,388	190	29	2.6	3.4	280.1	60.16
Oct ^p		1,512	311.4	1,357	214	26	2.5	3.4	280.3	56.95
Nov ^p		1,692	338.7	1,507	253	28	2.7	3.3	307.2	57.59
Dec ^p		1,994	372.1	1,801	324	28	3.3	3.0	342.0	58.35
1973: Jan ^p		2,332	522.1	2,124	331	33	3.8	2.7	465.3	58.69
Feb ^p		2,250	458.9	2,069	249	32	3.7	2.8	415.0	59.08
Mar ^p		2,075	459.4	1,898	213	33	3.4	2.8	440.9	59.09
Apr ^p		1,828	401.6	1,669	216	33	2.9	2.7	361.6	58.96
May ^p		1,610	378.0	1,465	193	30	2.5	2.7	337.5	58.06
June ^p		1,522	334.7	1,383	206	29	2.4	2.7	316.9	57.26
July ^p		1,645	320.1	1,505	274	30	2.5	2.7	298.7	57.31
Aug ^p		1,563	324.6	1,436	216	31	2.4	2.7	301.4	58.61
Sept ^p		1,439	312.1	1,299	185	29	2.1	2.7	289.1	58.63
Oct ^p		1,428	309.3	1,292	210	31	2.1	2.7	287.6	58.66
Week ended:										
1973: Oct 13		1,469		1,302	207		2.1			
20		1,435		1,283	208		2.1			
27		1,489		1,332	201		2.1			
Nov 3 ^p		1,496		1,338	230		2.1			
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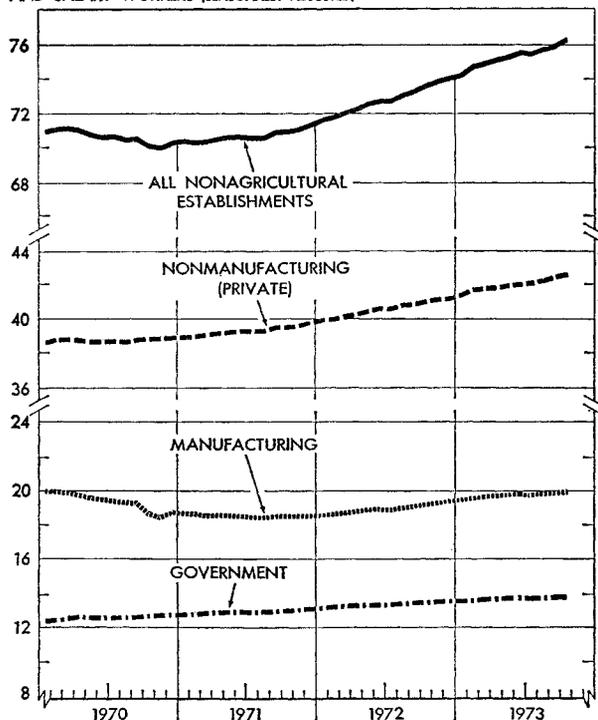
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Source: Department of Labor.

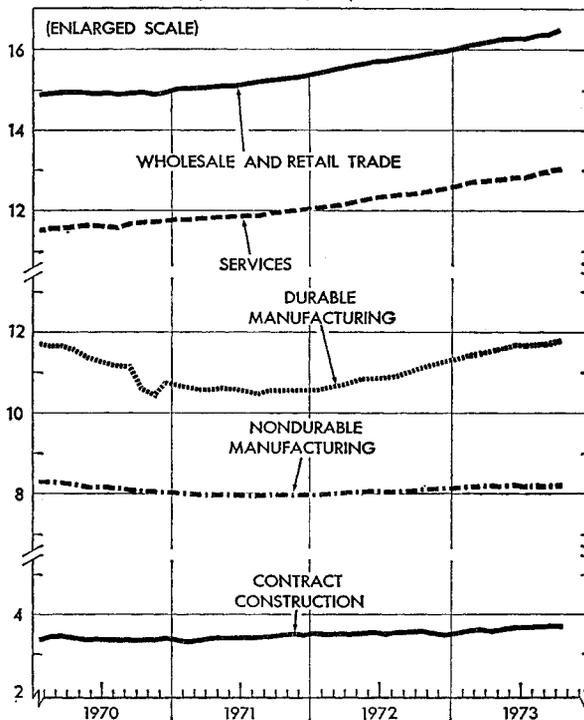
NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT

Total nonfarm payroll employment increased by 305,000 (seasonally adjusted) to 76.3 million in October. This is an increase of 751,000 since June 1973. Employment increased in October in the private manufacturing sector (105,000) and the private nonmanufacturing sector (175,000).

MILLIONS OF WAGE AND SALARY WORKERS (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)



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SOURCE: DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

COUNCIL OF ECONOMIC ADVISERS

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

Period	Total	Manufacturing (private)			Nonmanufacturing (private)						Government		
		Total	Durable goods	Non-durable goods	Total	Mining	Contract construction	Transportation and public utilities	Wholesale and retail trade	Finance, insurance, and real estate	Services	Federal	State and local
1967-----	65,857	19,447	11,439	8,008	35,012	613	3,208	4,261	13,606	3,225	10,099	2,719	8,679
1968-----	67,915	19,781	11,626	8,155	36,288	606	3,285	4,310	14,084	3,382	10,623	2,737	9,109
1969-----	70,284	20,167	11,895	8,272	37,915	619	3,435	4,429	14,639	3,564	11,229	2,758	9,444
1970-----	70,593	19,349	11,195	8,154	38,709	623	3,381	4,493	14,914	3,688	11,612	2,705	9,830
1971-----	70,645	18,529	10,565	7,964	39,261	602	3,411	4,442	15,142	3,796	11,869	2,664	10,191
1972-----	72,764	18,933	10,884	8,049	40,541	607	3,521	4,495	15,683	3,927	12,309	2,650	10,640
1972: Sept..	73,268	19,069	11,003	8,066	40,814	606	3,551	4,507	15,794	3,953	12,403	2,633	10,752
Oct..	73,584	19,210	11,112	8,098	40,968	608	3,561	4,540	15,839	3,969	12,451	2,639	10,767
Nov..	73,835	19,312	11,194	8,118	41,070	608	3,524	4,549	15,911	3,981	12,497	2,644	10,809
Dec..	74,002	19,402	11,270	8,132	41,098	607	3,459	4,558	15,946	3,991	12,537	2,650	10,852
1973: Jan..	74,252	19,463	11,326	8,137	41,311	610	3,498	4,574	16,013	3,995	12,621	2,634	10,844
Feb..	74,715	19,586	11,421	8,165	41,596	612	3,594	4,580	16,114	4,014	12,682	2,628	10,905
Mar..	74,914	19,643	11,463	8,180	41,697	610	3,604	4,580	16,163	4,024	12,716	2,631	10,943
Apr..	75,105	19,727	11,534	8,193	41,764	608	3,571	4,591	16,217	4,031	12,746	2,628	10,986
May..	75,321	19,782	11,602	8,180	41,897	608	3,620	4,593	16,256	4,044	12,776	2,641	11,001
June..	75,526	19,856	11,654	8,202	42,011	629	3,654	4,597	16,262	4,049	12,820	2,613	11,046
July..	75,493	19,804	11,646	8,158	42,079	631	3,680	4,598	16,294	4,048	12,828	2,603	11,007
Aug..	75,747	19,861	11,692	8,169	42,249	634	3,676	4,617	16,352	4,064	12,906	2,599	11,038
Sept..	75,972	19,876	11,707	8,169	42,425	633	3,694	4,632	16,393	4,077	12,996	2,609	11,062
Oct..	76,277	19,981	11,793	8,188	42,600	638	3,689	4,666	16,468	4,086	13,053	2,608	11,088

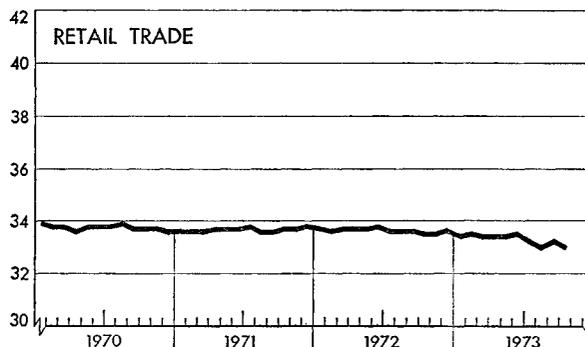
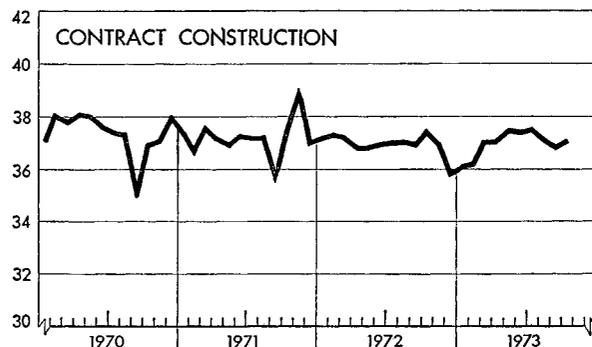
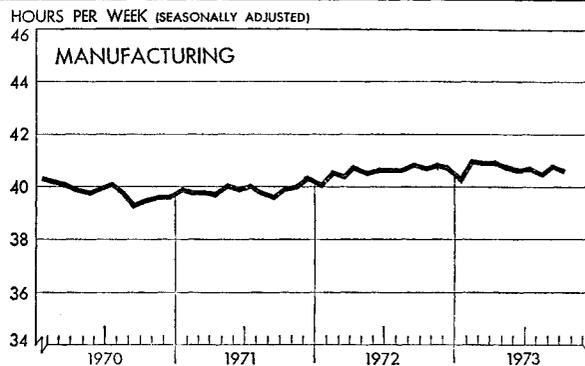
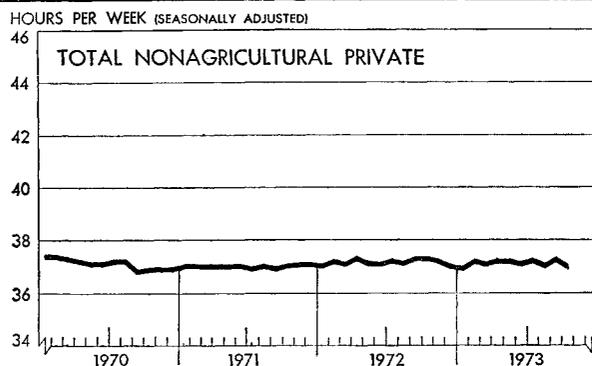
¹ Includes all full- and part-time wage and salary workers in nonagricultural establishments who worked during or received pay for any part of the pay period which includes the 12th of the month. Excludes proprietors, self-employed persons, domestic servants, and personnel of the Armed Forces. Total 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 a sample of the working-age population, whereas the estimates in this table are based on reports from employing establishments.

Source: Department of Labor.

WEEKLY HOURS OF WORK - SELECTED INDUSTRIES

The average workweek (seasonally adjusted) of private nonagricultural production workers declined by 0.2 hour to 37.0 hours in October. The average workweek has fluctuated in the range 36.9 to 37.2 hours since November 1972. The small changes in hours in manufacturing, contract construction, and retail trade in October resulted in approximately the same hours of work as prevailed in August 1973.



SOURCE: DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

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[Average hours per week¹]

Period	Total nonagri-cultural private ²	Manufac-turing	Contract construc-tion	Retail trade ³	Total nonagri-cultural private ²	Manufac-turing	Contract construc-tion	Retail trade ³
	Unadjusted				Seasonally adjusted			
1964	38.7	40.7	37.2	37.0				
1965	38.8	41.2	37.4	36.6				
1966	38.6	41.3	37.6	35.9				
1967	38.0	40.6	37.7	35.3				
1968	37.8	40.7	37.4	34.7				
1969	37.7	40.6	37.9	34.2				
1970	37.1	39.8	37.4	33.8				
1971	37.0	39.9	37.3	33.7				
1972	37.2	40.6	37.0	33.6				
1972: Sept	37.4	41.0	38.2	33.6	37.3	40.8	36.9	33.6
Oct	37.3	40.8	38.2	33.3	37.3	40.7	37.4	33.5
Nov	37.1	41.0	36.0	33.2	37.2	40.8	36.9	33.5
Dec	37.2	41.2	35.2	33.9	37.0	40.7	35.8	33.6
1973: Jan	36.6	40.0	34.8	32.9	36.9	40.3	36.1	33.4
Feb	36.8	40.6	34.9	32.9	37.2	41.0	36.2	33.5
Mar	36.9	40.8	36.6	32.9	37.1	40.9	37.0	33.4
Apr	36.9	40.7	36.8	33.0	37.2	40.9	37.0	33.4
May	37.0	40.7	37.5	33.0	37.2	40.7	37.5	33.4
June	37.4	40.9	38.1	33.8	37.1	40.6	37.4	33.5
July	37.6	40.5	38.4	34.3	37.2	40.7	37.5	33.2
Aug	37.5	40.5	38.3	34.1	37.0	40.5	37.1	33.0
Sept ⁴	37.3	41.0	38.0	33.2	37.2	40.8	36.8	33.2
Oct ⁵	37.0	40.7	37.9	32.8	37.0	40.6	37.1	33.0

¹ Data relate to production workers or nonsupervisory employees.

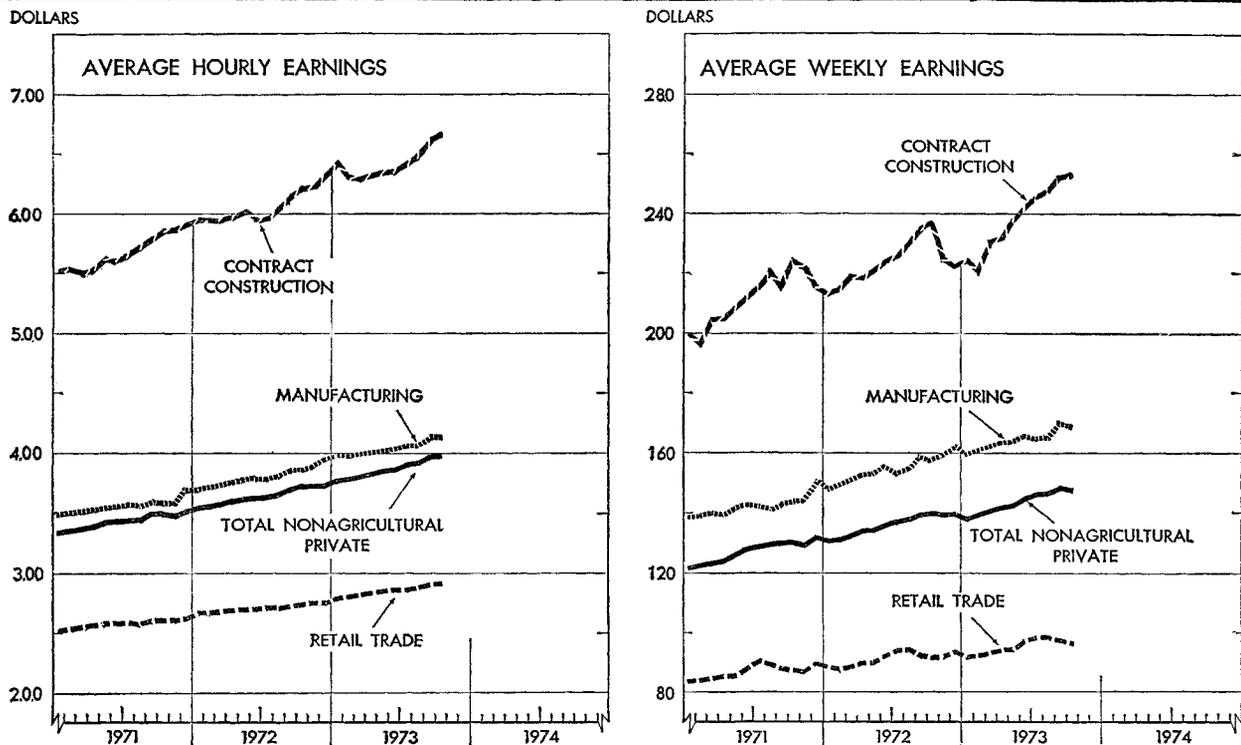
² Also includes other private industry groups shown on p. 13.

³ Includes eating and drinking places.

Source: Department of Labor.

AVERAGE HOURLY AND WEEKLY EARNINGS - SELECTED INDUSTRIES

Average hourly earnings (not seasonally adjusted) of private nonfarm production workers increased by 1 cent in October to \$3.99. This is an increase of 25 cents (6.7 percent) in the past year. Average weekly earnings declined in October by \$0.82 (0.6 percent) to \$147.63. This is an increase of \$8.13 (5.8 percent) since October 1972.



SOURCE: DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

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[For production workers or nonsupervisory employees]

Period	Average hourly earnings—current dollars				Average weekly earnings—current dollars				Manufacturing industries	
	Total nonagricultural private ¹	Manufacturing	Contract construction	Retail trade ²	Total nonagricultural private ¹	Manufacturing	Contract construction	Retail trade ²	Adjusted hourly earnings, 1967=100 ³	Average weekly earnings, 1967 dollars ⁴
1964	\$2.36	\$2.53	\$3.55	\$1.75	\$91.33	\$102.97	\$132.06	\$64.75	90.3	\$110.84
1965	2.45	2.61	3.70	1.82	95.06	107.53	138.38	66.61	92.6	113.79
1966	2.56	2.72	3.89	1.91	98.82	112.34	146.26	68.57	95.7	115.58
1967	2.68	2.83	4.11	2.01	101.84	114.90	154.95	70.95	100.0	114.90
1968	2.85	3.01	4.41	2.16	107.73	122.51	164.93	74.95	106.2	117.57
1969	3.04	3.19	4.79	2.30	114.61	129.51	181.54	78.66	112.6	117.95
1970	3.22	3.36	5.24	2.44	119.46	133.73	195.98	82.47	119.6	114.99
1971	3.43	3.56	5.69	2.57	126.91	142.04	212.24	86.61	127.5	117.10
1972	3.65	3.81	6.06	2.70	135.78	154.69	224.22	90.72	135.4	123.46
1972: Sept.	3.72	3.86	6.15	2.73	139.13	158.26	234.93	91.73	136.7	125.40
Oct.	3.74	3.86	6.22	2.74	139.50	157.49	237.60	91.24	137.0	124.40
Nov.	3.74	3.89	6.23	2.75	138.75	159.49	224.28	91.30	137.7	125.68
Dec.	3.74	3.95	6.32	2.75	139.13	162.74	222.46	93.23	139.2	127.84
1973: Jan.	3.77	3.98	6.42	2.78	137.98	159.20	223.42	91.46	140.1	124.67
Feb.	3.78	3.97	6.31	2.80	139.10	161.18	220.22	92.12	140.1	125.33
Mar.	3.80	3.98	6.28	2.81	140.22	162.38	229.85	92.45	140.7	125.10
Apr.	3.83	4.01	6.31	2.83	141.33	163.21	232.21	93.39	141.4	124.87
May	3.85	4.02	6.34	2.84	142.45	163.61	237.75	93.72	142.0	124.42
June	3.87	4.04	6.35	2.86	144.74	165.24	241.94	96.67	142.4	124.80
July	3.90	4.06	6.40	2.86	146.64	164.43	245.76	98.10	143.3	123.91
Aug.	3.91	4.06	6.46	2.87	146.63	164.43	247.42	97.87	143.9	121.71
Sept. ²	3.98	4.13	6.63	2.91	148.45	169.33	251.94	96.61	145.2	124.97
Oct. ²	3.99	4.13	6.66	2.92	147.63	168.09	252.41	95.78	145.7	123.05

¹ Also includes other private industry groups shown on p. 13.

² Includes eating and drinking places.

³ Adjusted to exclude the effects of overtime and interindustry shifts.

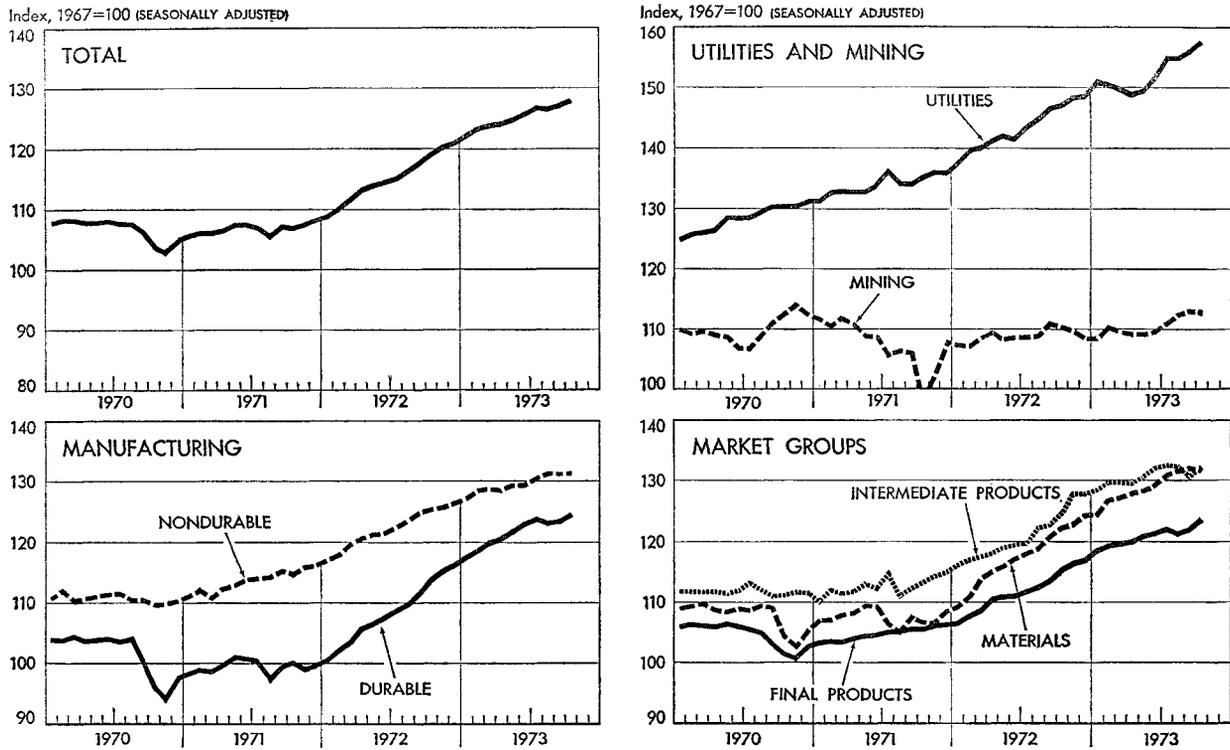
⁴ Earnings in current dollars divided by the consumer price index.

Source: Department of Labor.

PRODUCTION AND BUSINESS ACTIVITY

INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION

Industrial production (seasonally adjusted) rose 0.6 percent in October following a rise of 0.5 percent (revised) in September and a slight dip in August. In the industry groups, the October rise was concentrated in durable goods manufacturing. Among the market groups, equipment production continued to rise while production of materials slowed down.



SOURCE: BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

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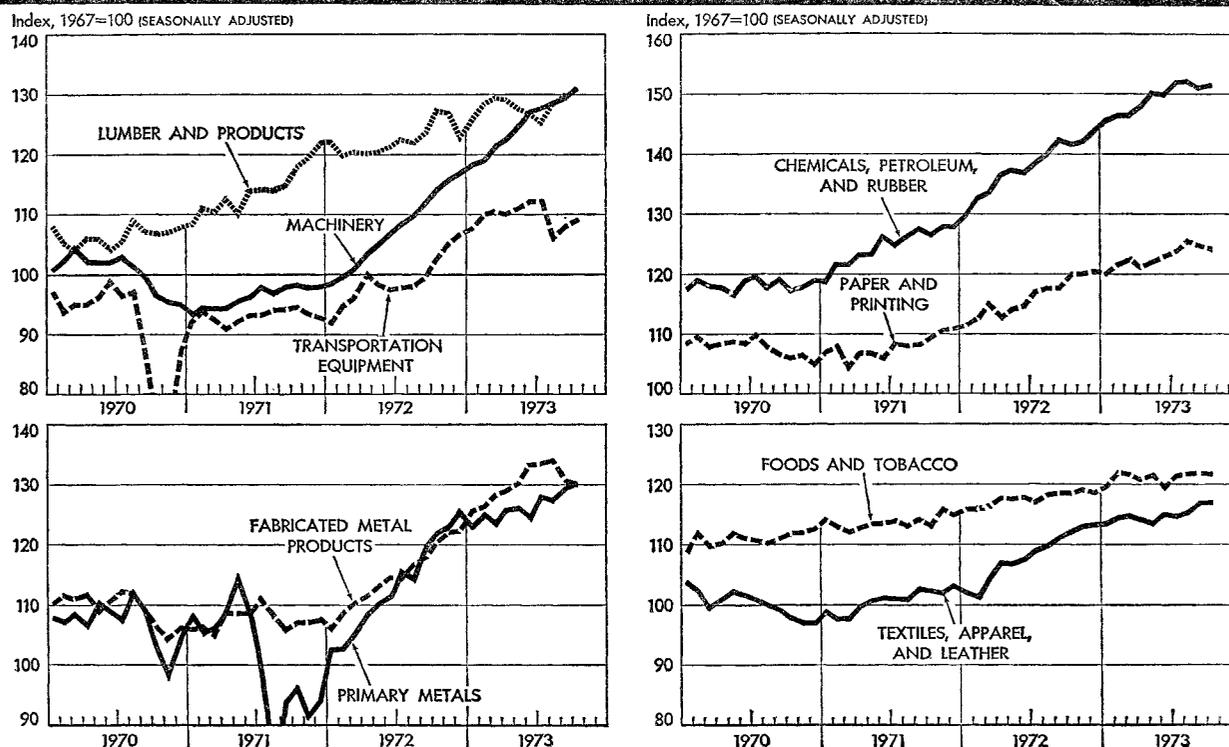
[1967=100, seasonally adjusted]

Period	Total industrial production	Industry					Market				
		Manufacturing			Mining	Utilities	Final products			Inter-mediate products	Materials
		Total	Durable	Non-durable			Total	Consumer goods	Equipment		
1965	89.2	89.1	88.5	90.0	93.9	86.9	86.8	93.0	78.7	93.0	91.0
1966	97.9	98.3	99.0	97.3	98.4	93.6	96.1	98.6	93.0	99.2	99.8
1967	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1968	105.7	105.7	105.5	106.0	103.9	109.4	105.8	106.6	104.7	105.7	105.7
1969	110.7	110.5	110.0	111.1	107.2	119.5	109.0	111.1	106.1	112.0	112.4
1970	106.0	105.2	101.4	110.6	109.7	128.3	104.5	110.3	96.3	111.7	107.7
1971	106.8	105.2	99.4	113.5	107.0	133.9	104.7	115.7	89.4	112.5	107.4
1972	115.2	114.0	108.4	122.1	108.8	143.4	111.9	123.6	95.5	121.1	117.4
1972: Sept	117.6	117.0	111.6	124.8	110.8	146.4	113.6	125.2	97.7	122.8	120.9
Oct	119.2	118.5	113.8	125.2	110.2	147.1	115.3	127.0	98.9	124.7	122.3
Nov	120.2	119.5	115.3	125.6	109.7	148.2	116.3	127.4	100.7	127.6	122.8
Dec	121.1	120.4	116.3	126.2	108.2	148.5	116.8	127.7	101.5	127.7	124.4
1973: Jan	122.2	121.4	117.5	127.0	108.5	151.0	118.6	129.8	102.9	128.4	124.5
Feb	123.4	122.7	118.7	128.4	110.2	150.5	119.3	130.2	104.1	129.5	126.7
Mar	123.7	123.4	119.9	128.6	109.5	149.6	119.6	130.8	104.1	129.4	127.0
Apr	124.1	123.8	120.6	128.4	109.0	148.7	120.0	130.9	104.7	129.3	127.7
May	124.9	124.9	121.9	129.2	109.1	149.5	120.8	131.7	105.7	130.5	128.3
June	125.6	125.6	123.0	129.3	109.5	151.6	121.3	131.9	106.6	132.0	129.0
July	126.7	126.5	123.8	130.5	111.0	154.8	122.1	132.8	107.3	132.5	130.9
Aug	126.5	126.5	123.0	131.2	112.3	154.8	121.3	131.1	107.7	132.2	131.5
Sept*	127.1	126.5	123.5	131.0	112.9	155.8	122.0	131.7	108.5	130.6	132.0
Oct*	127.8	127.1	124.5	131.1	112.7	157.6	123.6	133.3	110.1	131.9	131.7

Source: Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

PRODUCTION OF SELECTED MANUFACTURES

Most durable manufactures (seasonally adjusted) posted production gains in October. Among the nondurables, the increase in the chemicals, petroleum, and rubber group was almost offset by a decline in paper and printing; other groups changed little.



SOURCE: BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

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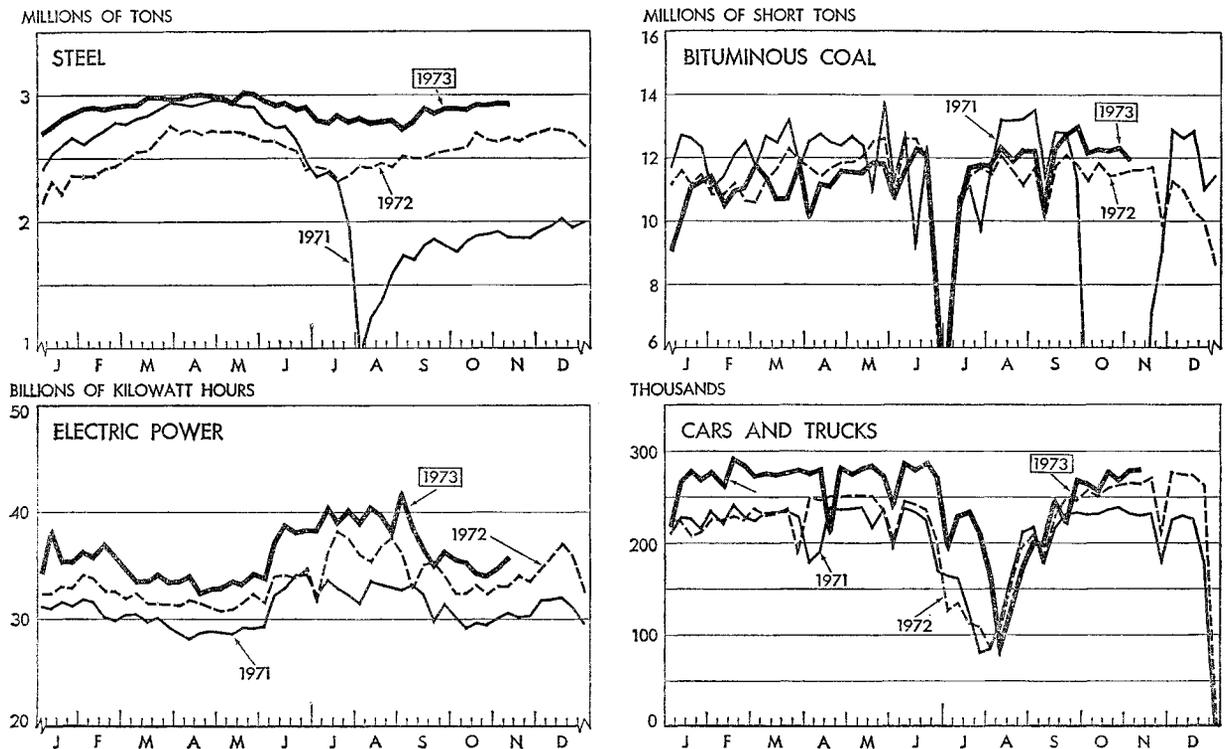
[1967=100, seasonally adjusted]

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 and tobacco
1965	104.0	92.6	84.1	91.3	94.7	97.8	90.5	83.8	92.6
1966	108.8	100.5	98.6	101.2	98.4	101.7	98.9	94.1	97.0
1967	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1968	103.2	106.3	101.9	109.7	104.8	104.9	104.2	109.6	103.6
1969	114.1	113.6	106.8	107.6	108.6	105.9	109.1	118.4	107.5
1970	106.9	109.4	100.3	90.4	106.3	100.2	107.8	118.2	110.8
1971	100.9	107.4	96.2	92.9	113.9	100.7	107.8	124.7	113.7
1972	113.1	114.8	107.5	99.0	122.4	108.1	116.1	137.8	117.6
1972: Sept	119.7	118.0	111.8	99.5	123.6	111.2	117.7	142.2	118.6
Oct	122.1	120.4	114.0	102.7	127.3	112.1	119.9	141.6	118.5
Nov	122.9	122.2	115.7	105.0	126.8	113.0	120.0	142.0	119.0
Dec	125.4	122.3	116.8	106.6	122.7	113.2	120.3	143.8	118.5
Jan	123.1	125.7	118.4	107.6	125.8	113.4	120.0	145.5	119.6
Feb	124.7	126.2	119.1	110.0	128.5	114.4	121.5	146.3	122.0
Mar	123.5	128.4	121.4	110.3	129.5	114.6	122.4	146.3	121.5
Apr	125.8	128.9	122.6	110.0	129.1	114.0	120.8	147.9	120.7
May	126.1	130.3	124.7	111.0	127.5	113.3	121.9	150.2	121.5
June	124.5	133.4	126.9	112.2	126.6	115.0	122.8	149.8	119.5
July	128.1	133.5	127.6	112.1	125.4	114.5	123.8	151.8	121.3
Aug	127.3	133.9	128.5	105.8	128.4	115.2	125.3	152.0	121.6
Sept	129.5	130.5	129.5	107.9	130.0	116.9	124.5	150.8	121.9
Oct	130.2	130.0	130.9	109.2	-----	117.0	124.0	151.5	121.6

Source: Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

WEEKLY INDICATORS OF PRODUCTION

Most weekly indicators of production, particularly cars and trucks assembled, increased in October.



SOURCES: AMERICAN IRON AND STEEL INSTITUTE, DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, EDISON ELECTRIC INSTITUTE, AND WARD'S AUTOMOTIVE REPORTS

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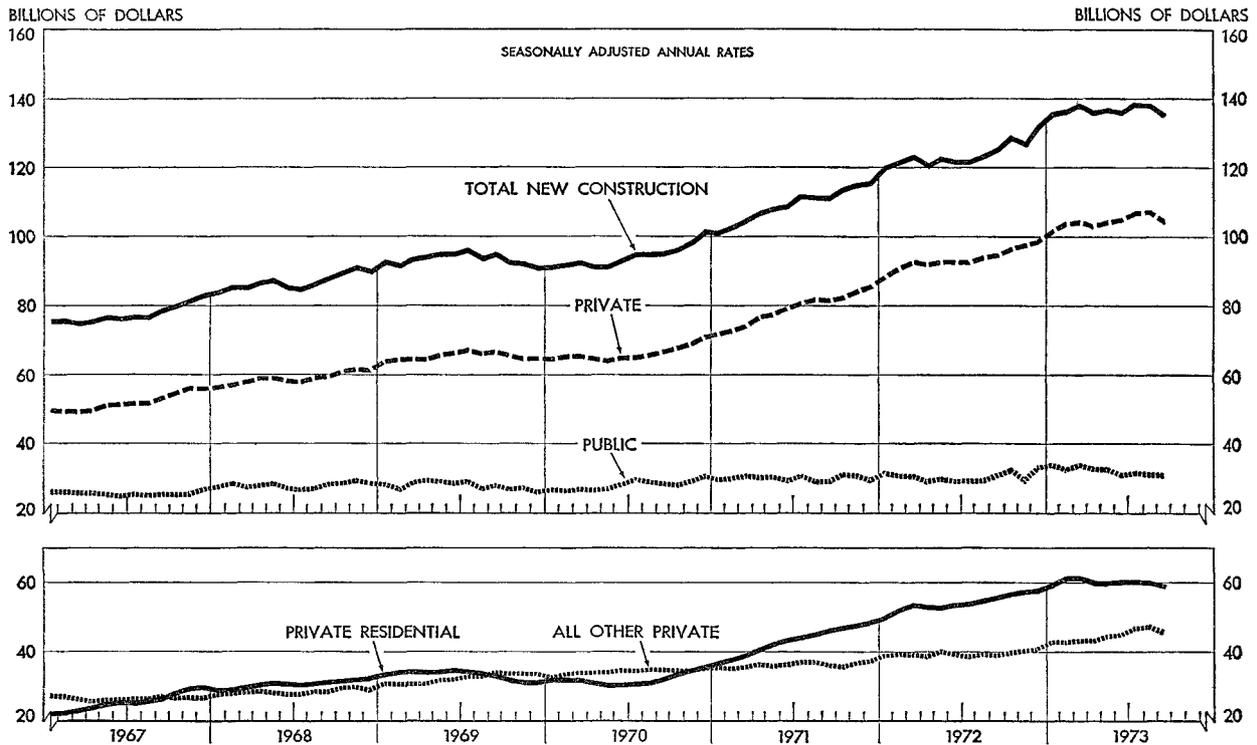
Period	Steel produced		Electric power distributed (millions of kilowatt-hours)	Bituminous coal mined (thousands of short tons) ¹	Freight loaded (thousands of cars)	Paperboard produced (thousands of tons)	Cars and trucks assembled (thousands)		
	Thousands of net tons	Index (1967=100)					Total	Cars	Trucks
Weekly average:									
1966	2,572	105.4	21,971	10,267	570	446	199.3	165.4	33.9
1967	2,440	100.0	23,169	10,627	540	439	172.9	142.4	30.5
1968	2,515	103.1	25,244	10,485	543	479	207.6	170.1	37.5
1969	2,709	111.0	27,588	10,779	543	507	195.8	158.1	37.8
1970	2,522	103.4	29,317	11,595	522	489	158.9	125.9	33.0
1971	2,310	94.7	30,923	10,619	486	501	204.8	165.0	39.8
1972 ²	2,549	104.5	33,540	11,346	501	548	217.2	169.6	47.5
1972: Sept	2,550	104.5	34,360	11,625	527	529	226.8	180.9	45.9
Oct	2,631	107.9	32,547	11,721	553	576	257.6	203.1	54.5
Nov	2,657	108.9	33,674	11,211	524	564	251.1	200.9	56.3
Dec	2,687	110.2	35,264	9,964	471	498	202.5	157.7	44.7
1973: Jan	2,793	114.5	35,861	10,598	491	512	261.3	201.5	59.8
Feb	2,906	119.1	35,800	11,059	509	583	277.6	213.3	64.3
Mar	2,954	121.1	33,643	11,116	515	593	276.1	212.1	64.1
Apr	2,981	122.2	33,164	10,945	518	584	262.0	200.8	61.2
May	2,974	121.9	33,543	11,493	543	589	269.9	207.3	62.6
June	2,911	119.3	38,061	10,498	545	583	280.1	216.7	63.3
July	2,781	114.0	39,417	9,621	504	518	216.6	164.4	52.2
Aug	2,750	112.7	39,783	12,090	543	591	151.5	106.5	45.0
Sept	2,857	117.1	36,572	12,054	543	548	234.3	179.0	55.3
Oct ²	2,896	118.7	34,762	12,175	564	589	269.2	208.8	60.5
Week ended:									
1973: Oct 6	2,890	118.5	35,505	12,150	558	570	264.4	204.2	60.2
13	2,882	118.1	35,318	12,250	558	595	256.4	194.9	61.5
20	2,915	119.5	34,236	12,200	569	588	278.4	214.0	64.4
27	2,915	119.5	33,998	12,280	564	589	268.6	211.3	57.4
Nov 3	2,929	120.1	34,752	11,995	571	605	278.4	219.7	58.8
10	2,932	120.2	35,780	² 12,395	558	-----	273.7	210.4	63.3
17	² 2,907	119.2	-----	-----	-----	-----	² 265.8	208.6	57.2

¹ Includes data for Alaska.
² Not charted.

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

NEW CONSTRUCTION

According to preliminary estimates, expenditures for new construction (seasonally adjusted) declined 2 percent in September. Both public and private construction contributed to the decline.



SOURCE: DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

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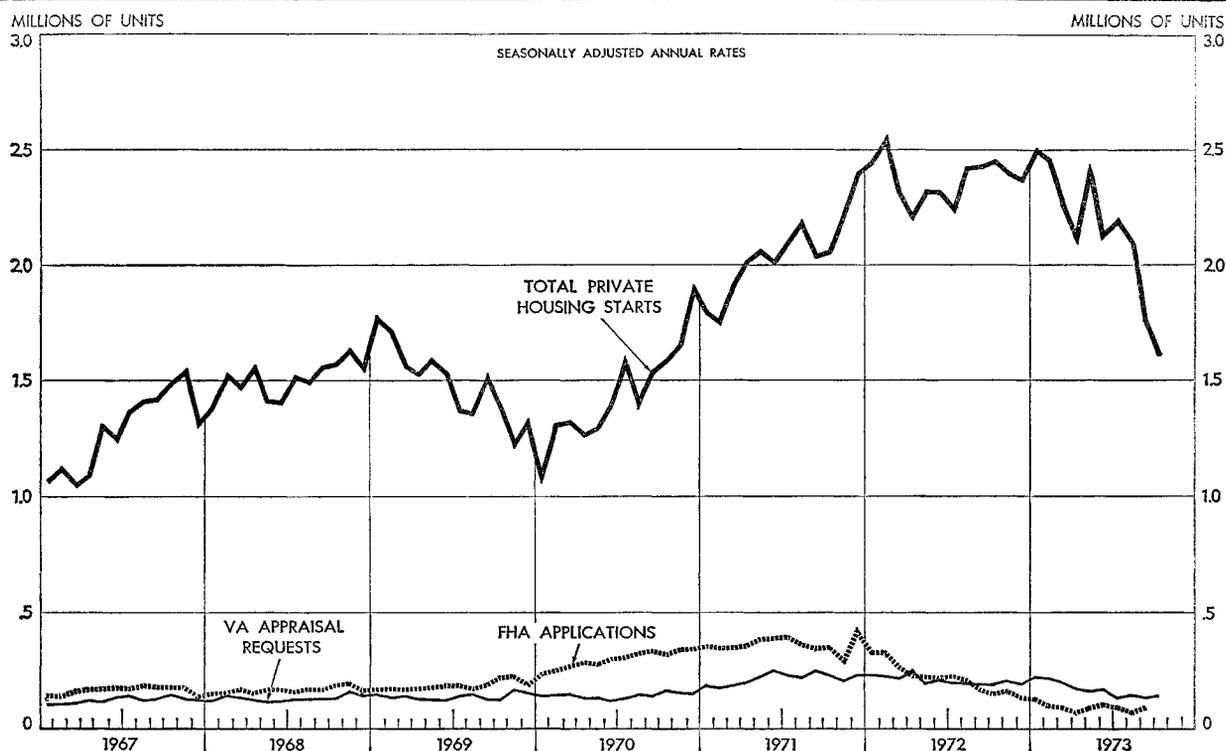
Period	Total new construction expenditures	Private					Federal, State, and local	Construction contracts ²	
		Total	Residential		Commercial and industrial	Other		Total value index, (1967=100)	Commercial and industrial floor space (millions of square feet)
			Total ¹	New housing units					
Billions of dollars									
1967-----	77.5	52.0	25.6	19.0	16.2	26.4	25.5	100.0	694
1968-----	86.6	59.0	30.6	24.0	13.8	14.7	27.6	113.2	779
1969-----	93.4	65.4	33.2	25.9	16.2	16.0	28.0	123.7	883
1970-----	94.2	66.1	31.9	24.3	16.3	17.9	28.1	123.1	743
1971-----	109.2	79.4	43.3	35.1	17.0	19.1	29.9	145.4	727
1972-----	123.8	93.6	54.2	44.7	18.1	21.3	30.2	165.3	858
Seasonally adjusted annual rates									
1972: July-----	121.6	92.4	53.8	44.1	17.8	20.8	29.2	155	813
Aug-----	123.0	93.9	54.5	44.7	18.1	21.3	29.2	180	908
Sept-----	125.1	94.5	55.5	45.9	18.0	21.0	30.6	187	896
Oct-----	128.5	96.2	56.4	46.9	18.1	21.8	32.3	171	895
Nov-----	126.8	97.5	57.2	47.8	18.2	22.1	29.3	177	992
Dec-----	131.6	98.5	57.5	48.0	18.6	22.3	33.1	163	946
1973: Jan-----	135.5	101.8	59.1	48.1	20.3	22.4	33.7	181	1,031
Feb-----	136.1	103.9	61.2	49.4	20.1	22.6	32.3	191	1,037
Mar-----	138.0	104.3	61.2	49.6	20.6	22.5	33.6	193	1,012
Apr-----	135.5	103.0	59.9	48.9	20.8	22.3	32.6	177	1,006
May-----	136.5	104.1	59.8	49.2	21.5	22.8	32.3	173	915
June-----	135.9	104.9	60.1	49.5	21.6	23.2	31.0	183	1,014
July-----	138.4	106.9	60.2	49.5	22.5	24.3	31.5	177	1,196
Aug ^p -----	138.1	107.0	60.0	49.2	22.5	24.5	31.1	206	1,155
Sept ^p -----	134.9	104.2	58.7	48.0	21.4	24.1	30.8	182	1,025

¹ Includes nonhousekeeping residential construction and additions and alterations, not shown separately.
² F. W. Dodge series. Relates to 50 States beginning 1969 for value index and beginning 1971 for floor space.

Sources: Department of Commerce and McGraw-Hill Information Systems Company, F. W. Dodge Division.

NEW HOUSING STARTS AND APPLICATIONS FOR FINANCING

Private housing starts (seasonally adjusted) declined 8½ percent in October to an annual rate of 1.61 million units. Starts in October were below 2 million for the second month in a row. Permits for future housing were down 18 percent



SOURCES: DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT, AND VETERANS ADMINISTRATION

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[Thousands of units]

Period	Housing starts							New private housing units authorized ²	Proposed home construction ³	
	Total private and public (including farm)	Total private (including farm)	Private			Government home programs (nonfarm)			Applications for FHA commitments ¹	Requests for VA appraisals
			Total (including farm)			FHA ¹	VA			
			Total	One unit	Two or more units					
1967	1,321.9	1,291.6	1,291.6	843.9	447.7	141.9	52.5	1,141.0	167.2	124.3
1968	1,545.4	1,507.6	1,507.6	899.4	608.2	147.7	56.1	1,353.4	168.9	131.7
1969	1,499.5	1,466.8	1,466.8	810.6	656.2	153.6	51.2	1,323.7	187.6	138.2
1970	1,469.0	1,433.6	1,433.6	812.9	620.7	233.5	61.0	1,351.5	315.0	143.7
1971	2,084.5	2,052.2	2,052.2	1,151.0	901.2	301.2	94.0	1,924.6	366.8	217.9
1972	2,378.5	2,356.6	2,356.6	1,309.2	1,047.5	198.4	104.0	2,218.9	225.2	209.4
Seasonally adjusted annual rates										
1972: Sept	204.4	203.0	2,426	1,382	1,045	175	106	2,366	166	192
Oct	218.2	216.5	2,446	1,315	1,131	149	98	2,318	147	189
Nov	187.1	185.7	2,395	1,324	1,071	125	92	2,226	162	207
Dec	152.7	150.5	2,369	1,207	1,162	106	86	2,399	131	194
1973: Jan	147.3	146.6	2,497	1,450	1,047	87	96	2,233	124	222
Feb	139.5	138.0	2,456	1,372	1,084	111	105	2,209	100	217
Mar	201.1	200.0	2,260	1,245	1,015	92	101	2,129	93	201
Apr	205.4	205.0	2,123	1,202	921	74	100	1,939	68	169
May	234.2	234.0	2,413	1,271	1,142	81	111	1,838	89	161
June	203.4	202.6	2,128	1,124	1,004	80	88	2,030	103	166
July	203.2	202.6	2,191	1,247	944	80	87	1,780	93	135
Aug	199.9	197.2	2,094	1,125	969	69	91	1,750	70	143
Sept ^p	145.7	145.2	1,761	977	784	68	71	1,596	94	133
Oct ^p	146.7	144.3	1,613	945	668	62	62	1,310	94	141

¹ Units are for 1- to 4-family housing.

² Authorized by issuance of local building permit: in 14,000 permit-issuing places beginning 1972; 13,000 for 1967-71; 12,000 for 1963-66; and 10,000 prior to 1963.

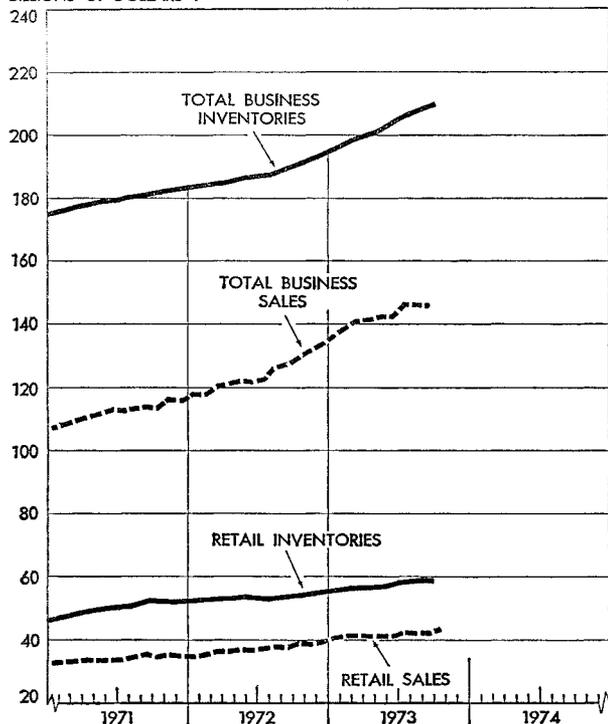
³ Units represented by mortgage applications or appraisal requests for new home construction.

Sources: Department of Commerce, Department of Housing and Urban Development, and Veterans Administration.

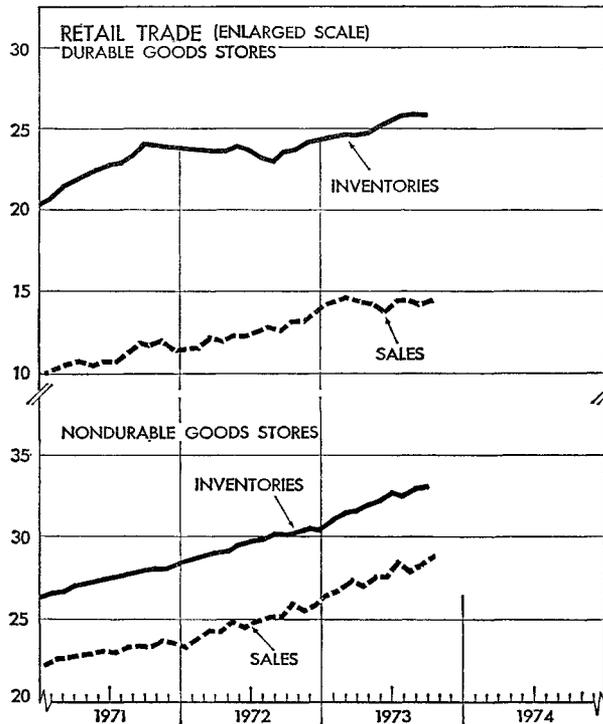
BUSINESS SALES AND INVENTORIES—TOTAL AND TRADE

Manufacturing and trade firms added \$1.5 billion (seasonally adjusted) to their inventories in September after an increase of \$1.9 billion in August and \$1.6 billion in July. Combined sales were unchanged in September, and advance reports for retailers indicate a large rise in October.

BILLIONS OF DOLLARS (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)



BILLIONS OF DOLLARS (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)



SOURCE: DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

COUNCIL OF ECONOMIC ADVISERS

Period	Total business ¹		Wholesale		Retail					
	Sales ²	Inventories ³	Sales ²	Inventories ³	Sales ²			Inventories ³		
					Total	Durable goods stores	Non-durable goods stores	Total	Durable goods stores	Non-durable goods stores
Millions of dollars, seasonally adjusted										
1965.....	80,276	120,900	15,595	18,274	23,677	7,849	15,828	34,405	15,253	19,152
1966.....	87,178	136,729	16,979	20,691	25,330	8,192	17,138	38,073	17,258	20,815
1967.....	89,698	145,164	17,099	21,557	26,151	8,348	17,803	38,952	17,277	21,675
1968.....	97,100	155,376	18,329	22,528	28,490	9,268	19,222	41,973	19,167	22,806
1969.....	103,104	166,813	19,726	24,363	29,824	9,626	20,197	45,376	20,647	24,729
1970.....	104,708	174,875	20,554	26,604	31,294	9,524	21,770	46,626	20,345	26,281
1971.....	112,267	183,622	22,280	28,916	34,071	10,985	23,086	52,261	23,808	28,453
1972.....	124,680	194,151	24,850	31,732	37,365	12,472	24,893	54,700	24,442	30,258
1972: Aug.....	126,792	189,093	25,137	30,164	37,969	12,842	25,127	53,107	23,037	30,070
Sept.....	127,656	190,486	25,407	30,657	37,746	12,614	25,132	53,661	23,608	30,053
Oct.....	130,336	191,583	25,779	31,032	39,106	13,168	25,938	53,934	23,675	30,259
Nov.....	131,918	192,921	26,212	31,289	38,713	13,173	25,540	54,658	24,235	30,423
Dec.....	133,483	194,151	26,962	31,732	39,417	13,640	25,777	54,700	24,442	30,258
1973: Jan.....	136,863	196,295	27,755	32,582	40,707	14,234	26,473	55,526	24,472	31,054
Feb.....	138,910	198,172	28,423	33,051	41,242	14,405	26,837	56,039	24,638	31,401
Mar.....	141,010	199,525	29,312	33,245	41,979	14,612	27,367	56,106	24,538	31,568
Apr.....	141,274	200,787	29,621	33,574	41,185	14,339	26,846	56,636	24,624	32,012
May.....	142,694	202,896	29,675	33,986	41,735	14,299	27,436	57,285	25,094	32,191
June.....	142,323	205,252	29,528	34,148	41,179	13,731	27,448	58,079	25,454	32,625
July.....	146,469	206,813	30,443	34,653	42,778	14,409	28,369	58,250	25,797	32,453
Aug.....	146,076	208,668	30,692	34,964	42,363	14,481	27,882	58,797	25,850	32,947
Sept ^p	146,042	210,211	30,508	35,286	42,474	14,200	28,274	58,811	25,790	33,021
Oct ^p					43,351	14,504	28,847			

¹ The term "business" also includes manufacturing (see page 22).

² Monthly average for year and total for month.

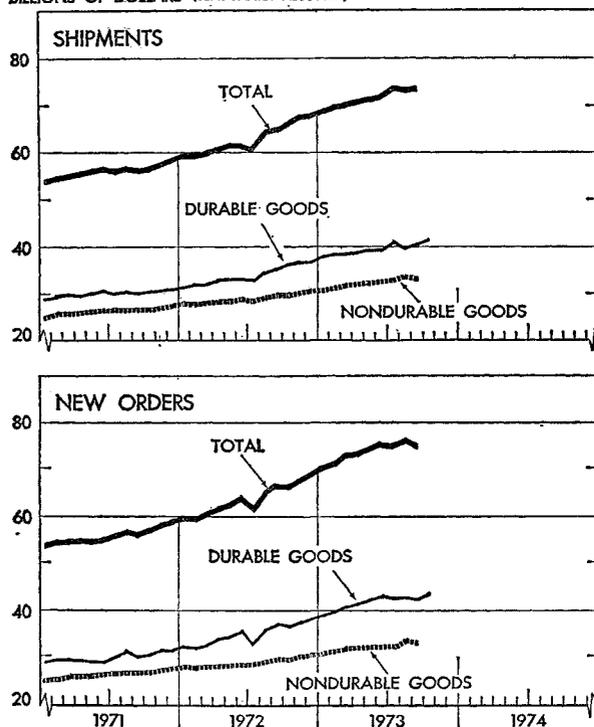
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Source: Department of Commerce.

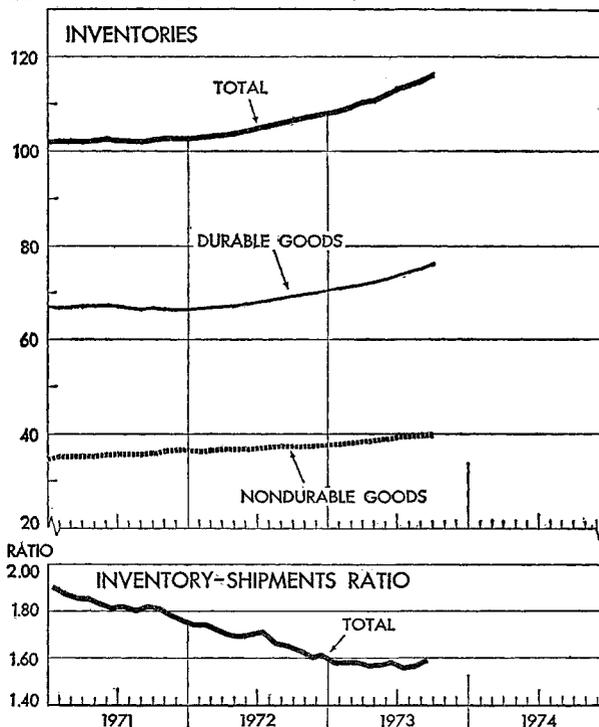
MANUFACTURERS' SHIPMENTS, INVENTORIES, AND NEW ORDERS

New orders of durable goods manufacturers rose 2.8 percent, seasonally adjusted, in October after a decline during the summer months. October shipments were also up 2.8 percent.

BILLIONS OF DOLLARS (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)



BILLIONS OF DOLLARS (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)



SOURCE: DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

COUNCIL OF ECONOMIC ADVISERS

Period	Manufacturers' shipments ¹			Manufacturers' inventories ²			Manufacturers' new orders ¹			Manufacturers' inventory-shipments ratio ³	
	Total	Durable goods	Non-durable goods	Total	Durable goods	Non-durable goods	Total	Durable goods Total	Capital goods industries, nondefense		Non-durable goods
Millions of dollars, seasonally adjusted											
1966.....	44,869	24,633	20,236	77,965	49,818	28,147	45,944	25,720	-----	20,224	1.62
1967.....	46,449	25,212	21,236	84,655	54,931	29,724	46,763	25,526	-----	21,238	1.76
1968.....	50,282	27,694	22,588	90,875	59,112	31,763	50,243	27,666	6,971	22,577	1.74
1969.....	53,555	29,459	24,096	97,074	63,371	33,703	53,646	29,549	7,694	24,097	1.76
1970.....	52,860	28,231	24,629	101,645	66,768	34,877	52,063	27,431	7,021	24,632	1.89
1971.....	55,917	29,948	25,969	102,445	66,050	36,395	55,732	29,751	7,339	25,981	1.82
1972.....	62,466	33,892	28,573	107,719	70,218	37,501	63,514	34,867	8,983	28,648	1.67
1972: Aug.....	63,686	34,687	28,999	105,822	68,568	37,254	64,809	35,772	8,899	29,037	1.66
Sept.....	64,503	35,249	29,254	106,168	68,875	37,293	66,620	37,292	9,727	29,328	1.65
Oct.....	65,451	36,302	29,149	106,617	69,308	37,309	66,355	37,127	9,625	29,228	1.63
Nov.....	66,993	36,870	30,123	106,974	69,613	37,361	67,726	37,462	9,699	30,264	1.60
Dec.....	67,104	36,614	30,490	107,719	70,218	37,501	68,908	38,325	9,991	30,583	1.61
1973: Jan.....	68,401	37,773	30,628	108,187	70,590	37,597	70,016	39,218	10,277	30,798	1.58
Feb.....	69,245	38,122	31,123	109,082	71,136	37,946	71,022	39,765	10,105	31,257	1.58
Mar.....	69,719	38,064	31,655	110,174	71,873	38,301	72,806	41,021	10,572	31,785	1.58
Apr.....	70,468	38,651	31,817	110,577	72,213	38,364	73,325	41,341	10,619	31,984	1.57
May.....	71,284	39,284	32,000	111,625	72,867	38,758	74,535	42,449	10,919	32,086	1.57
June.....	71,616	39,257	32,359	113,025	73,801	39,224	75,361	43,016	11,415	32,345	1.58
July.....	73,243	40,779	32,469	113,910	74,278	39,632	75,145	42,697	11,404	32,448	1.56
Aug.....	73,021	39,633	33,388	114,907	72,513	39,694	76,113	42,689	11,032	33,424	1.57
Sept ^v	73,060	40,162	32,898	116,114	76,249	39,865	75,129	42,259	11,267	32,870	1.59
Oct ^v	-----	41,302	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	43,427	11,322	-----	-----

¹ Monthly average for year and total for month.

² Book value, end of period, seasonally adjusted.

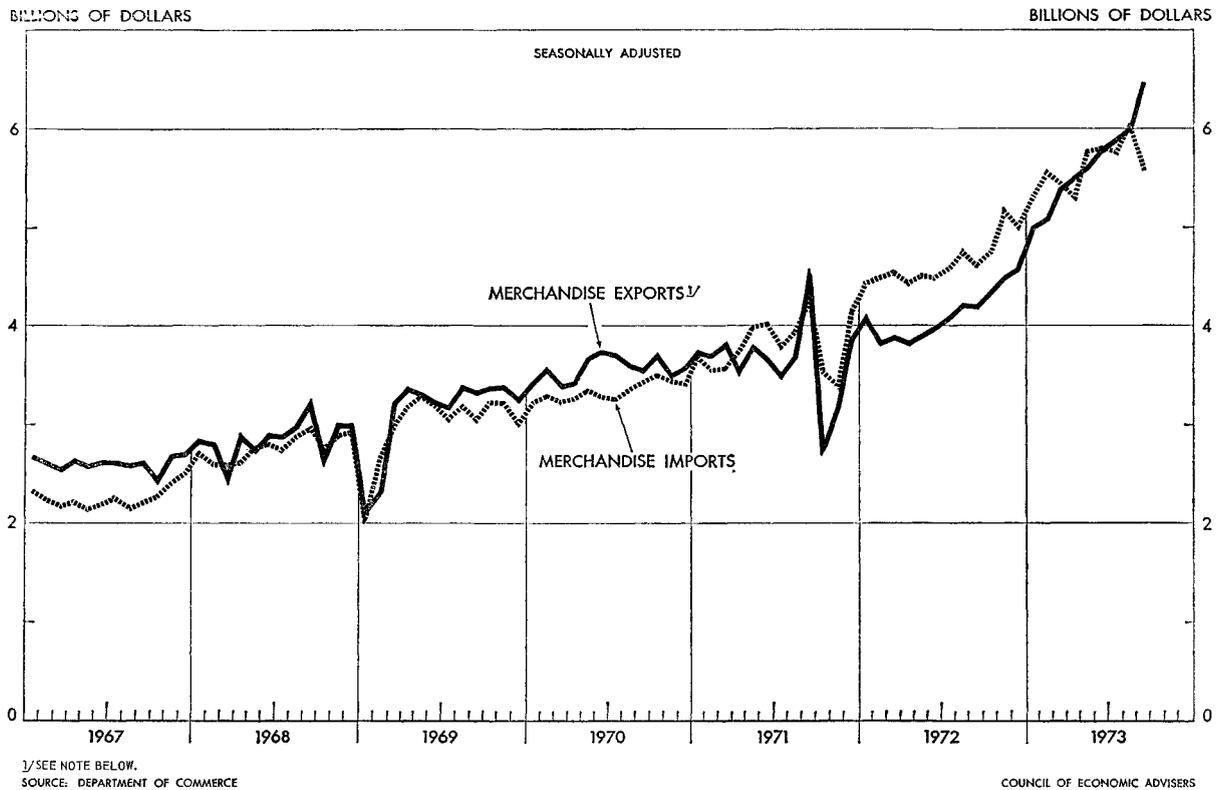
³ For annual periods, ratio of weighted average inventories to average monthly

shipments; for monthly data, ratio of inventories at end of month to shipments for month.

Source: Department of Commerce.

MERCHANDISE EXPORTS AND IMPORTS

The U.S. merchandise trade balance on a seasonally adjusted basis jumped from a deficit of \$17 million in August to a surplus of \$873 million in September. This large shift was equally the result of an increase in exports and a decline of imports. While a shift of this magnitude was unusual, it was a dramatic indication of the trend toward a net surplus in U.S. trade.



[Millions of dollars]

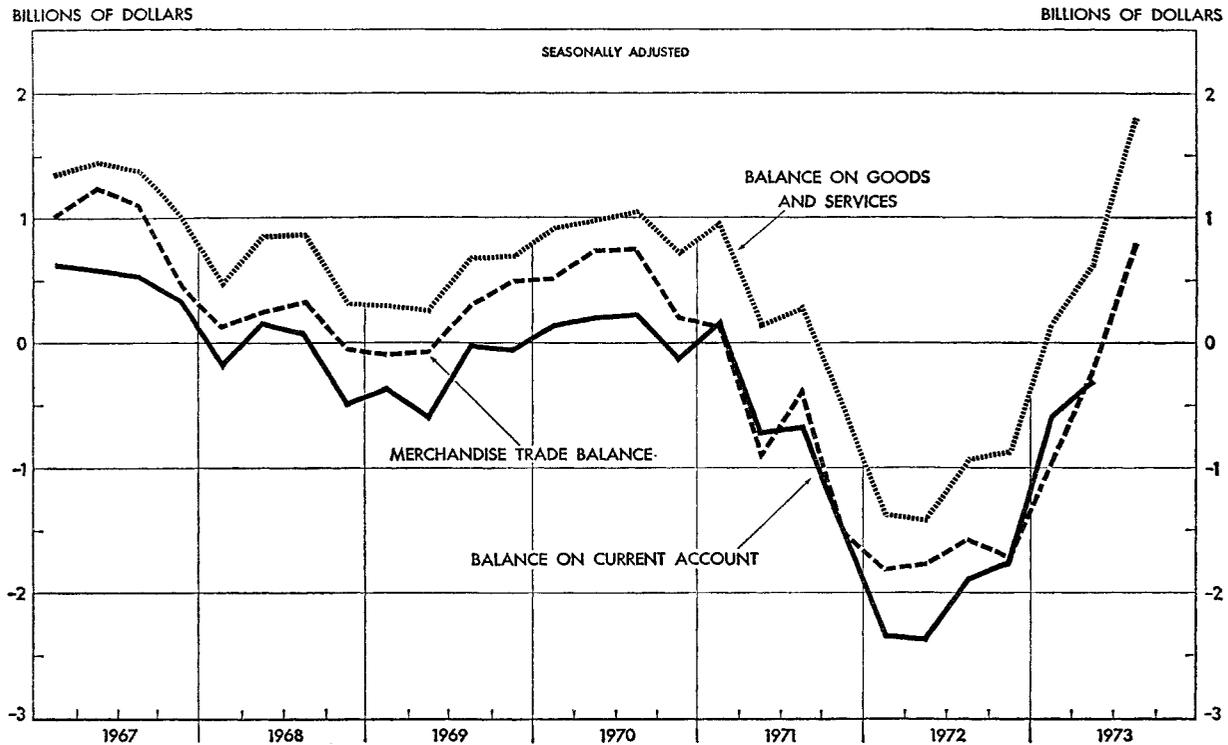
Period	Merchandise exports					Merchandise imports				Gross-merchandise trade surplus, seasonally adjusted			
	Total (including reexports) ¹		Domestic exports			General imports ³							
	Seasonally adjusted	Unadjusted	Total ^{1,2}	Food, beverages, and tobacco	Crude materials and fuels	Manufactured goods	Seasonally adjusted	Unadjusted	Food, beverages, and tobacco		Crude materials and fuels	Manufactured goods	
Monthly average:													
1965		2,229	2,201	377	356	1,453		1,786	334	453	937		444
1966		2,458	2,421	432	367	1,602		2,135	382	476	1,204		323
1967		2,586	2,554	392	394	1,737		2,241	392	447	1,313		345
1968		2,839	2,802	383	405	1,985		2,769	447	503	1,719		70
1969		3,111	3,066	370	417	2,232		3,004	442	533	1,918		107
1970		3,555	3,502	422	558	2,445		3,329	519	545	2,159		226
1971		3,629	3,576	423	537	2,537		3,797	534	606	2,535		-168
1972		4,102	4,035	547	591	2,813		4,632	615	737	3,147		-530
				Unadjusted					Unadjusted				
1972: Aug	4,197	3,934	3,864	536	549	2,709	4,726	4,727	632	728	3,232		-530
Sept	4,176	3,963	3,893	594	478	2,745	4,612	4,491	628	756	2,976		-436
Oct	4,316	4,441	4,380	636	672	3,007	4,738	5,009	692	775	3,394		-421
Nov	4,473	4,583	4,497	711	761	2,927	5,148	5,201	662	810	3,585		-675
Dec	4,658	4,691	4,617	749	730	3,040	5,002	4,796	639	822	3,190		-444
1973: Jan	4,977	4,747	4,678	752	736	3,114	5,281	5,423	726	930	3,604		-304
Feb	5,065	4,864	4,795	744	815	3,140	5,541	4,945	645	853	3,318		-476
Mar	5,380	5,923	5,826	881	1,023	3,829	5,432	5,596	714	994	3,737		-53
Apr	5,487	5,561	5,456	843	898	3,583	5,291	5,347	757	914	3,535		196
May	5,603	6,023	5,927	903	975	3,943	5,761	6,032	835	1,070	3,996		-158
June	5,778	5,858	5,755	1,023	873	3,726	5,794	5,901	724	1,077	3,938		-16
July	5,869	5,322	5,240	974	755	3,384	5,762	5,652	693	1,005	3,800		106
Aug	6,004	5,779	5,675	1,285	773	3,522	6,021	5,997	788	1,209	3,845		-17
Sept	6,448	5,959	5,880	1,284	694	3,811	5,576	5,286	707	1,103	3,332		873

¹ Total excludes Department of Defense shipments of grant-aid military supplies and equipment under the Military Assistance Program.
² Total includes commodities and transactions not classified according to kind.

NOTE.—Data adjusted to include silver ore and bullion reported separately prior to 1969.

U.S. BALANCES ON GOODS, SERVICES, AND TRANSFERS

The surplus on goods and services rose from \$0.6 billion in the second quarter to \$1.8 billion in the third quarter, on a seasonally adjusted basis. This is the fifth quarter in a row that the balance on goods and services has improved.



SOURCE: DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

COUNCIL OF ECONOMIC ADVISERS

[Millions of dollars]

Period	Merchandise ^{1 2}			Military transactions			Net investment income		Net travel and transportation expenditures	Other services, net	Balance on goods and services ^{1 4}	Remittances, pensions, and other unilateral transfers ¹	Balance on current account
	Exports	Imports	Net balance	Direct expenditures	Sales	Net balance	Private ³	U.S. Government					
1967-----	30,666	-26,866	3,800	-4,378	1,240	-3,138	5,848	40	-1,751	335	5,132	-3,081	2,051
1968-----	33,626	-32,991	635	-4,535	1,392	-3,143	6,157	63	-1,548	302	2,465	-2,909	-443
1969-----	36,400	-35,807	593	-4,856	1,512	-3,344	5,820	155	-1,782	449	1,891	-2,941	-1,050
1970-----	41,964	-39,788	2,176	-4,852	1,478	-3,374	6,374	-115	-2,013	581	3,630	-3,214	416
1971-----	42,768	-45,466	-2,698	-4,829	1,912	-2,918	8,929	-957	-2,288	739	807	-3,598	-2,790
1972-----	48,769	-55,681	-6,912	-4,724	1,166	-3,558	9,751	-1,889	-2,853	851	-4,610	-3,744	-8,353
Seasonally adjusted													
1972: I-----	11,655	-13,475	-1,820	-1,222	328	-894	2,290	-399	-755	204	-1,374	-969	-2,343
1972: II-----	11,539	-13,313	-1,774	-1,242	288	-954	2,252	-461	-691	202	-1,426	-938	-2,364
1972: III-----	12,362	-13,935	-1,573	-1,108	262	-846	2,447	-497	-679	209	-939	-954	-1,893
1972: IV-----	13,213	-14,958	-1,745	-1,151	287	-864	2,763	-531	-730	237	-870	-881	-1,751
1973: I-----	15,320	-16,280	-960	-1,168	343	-825	2,954	-645	-608	234	150	-742	-592
1973: II-----	16,747	-16,977	-230	-1,184	457	-727	2,871	-800	-742	244	616	-930	-314
1973: III-----	18,220	-17,437	783								1,800		

¹ Excludes military grants.

² Adjusted from Census data for differences in timing and coverage.

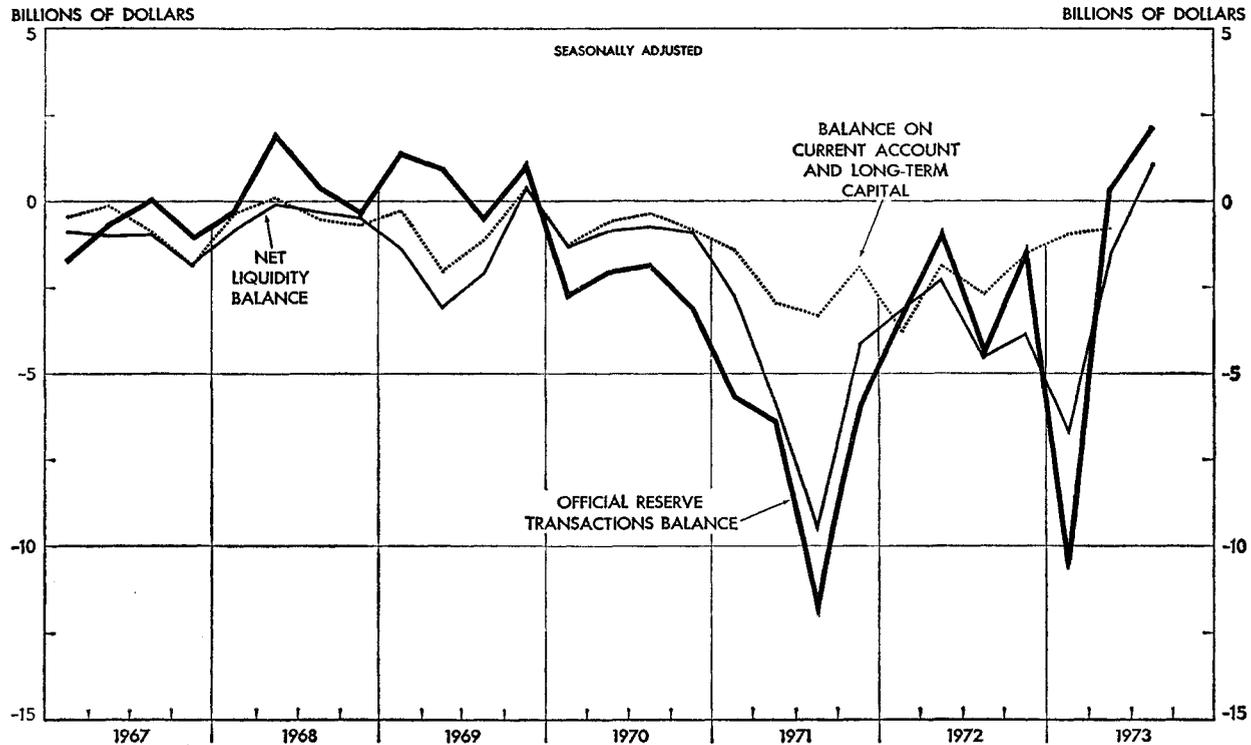
³ Includes fees and royalties from U.S. direct investments abroad or from foreign direct investments in the United States.

⁴ Equal to net exports of goods and services in the national income and product accounts of the United States when converted to an annual rates basis.

Source: Department of Commerce.

U.S. OVERALL BALANCES ON INTERNATIONAL TRANSACTIONS

The U.S. balance of payments on an official reserve transactions basis was in surplus by \$2.1 billion on a seasonally adjusted basis in the third quarter. This surplus reflects fairly large-scale intervention by the Bank of Japan as well as central banks in Europe to slow the decline of their currencies relative to the dollar. In comparison, the U.S. balance of payments on a net liquidity basis was in surplus by only \$1.1 billion, indicating an increase in net foreign private holdings of dollars.



SOURCE: DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

COUNCIL OF ECONOMIC ADVISERS

[Millions of dollars]

Period	Long-term capital flows, net		Balance on current account and long-term capital	Non-liquid short-term private capital flows net ²	Allocations of special drawing rights	Errors and omissions, net	Net liquidity balance	Liquid private capital flows, net ²	Official reserve transactions balance	Changes in liabilities to foreign official agencies, net ³	Changes in U.S. official reserve assets, net ⁴	U.S. official reserve assets, net (end of period)
	U.S. Government ¹	Private ²										
1967	-2,423	-2,932	-3,304	-522		-857	-4,683	1,265	-3,418	3,366	52	14,830
1968	-2,158	1,191	-1,411	231		-431	-1,611	3,252	1,641	-761	-880	15,710
1969	-1,926	-70	-3,046	-640		-2,395	-6,081	8,820	2,739	-1,552	-1,187	⁵ 16,964
1970	-2,018	-1,429	-3,031	-482	867	-1,205	-3,851	-5,988	-9,839	7,362	2,477	14,487
1971	-2,359	-4,401	-9,550	-2,347	717	-10,784	-21,965	-7,788	-29,753	27,405	2,348	⁶ 12,167
1972	-1,339	-152	-9,843	-1,637	710	-3,112	-13,882	3,542	-10,340	10,308	32	13,151
Seasonally adjusted												Unadjusted
1972: I	-289	-1,143	-3,775	-535	178	944	-3,188	-288	-3,476	3,047	429	12,270
II	-95	604	-1,855	310	178	-940	-2,307	1,456	-851	1,082	-231	⁷ 13,339
III	-366	-393	-2,652	-430	177	-1,626	-4,531	7	-4,524	4,579	-55	13,217
IV	-586	781	-1,556	-982	177	-1,490	-3,851	2,367	-1,484	1,595	-111	13,151
1973: I*	-336	-19	-947	-1,793		-3,921	-6,689	-3,810	-10,499	10,279	220	⁸ 12,931
II*	94	-562	-782	-1,054		229	-1,549	1,905	356	-373	17	⁸ 12,914
III*							1,057	1,089	2,146	-2,133	-13	⁸ 12,927

¹ Excludes liabilities to foreign official reserve agencies.

² Private foreigners exclude the IMF, but include other international and regional organizations.

³ Includes liabilities to foreign official agencies reported by U.S. Government and U.S. banks and U.S. liabilities to the IMF arising from reversible gold sales to, and gold deposits with, the United States.

⁴ Official reserve assets include gold, special drawing rights, convertible currencies, and the U.S. gold tranche position in the IMF.

⁵ Includes gain of \$67 million resulting from revaluation of the German mark in October 1969.

⁶ Includes \$28 million increase in dollar value of foreign currencies revalued to reflect market exchange rates as of Dec. 31, 1971.

⁷ Includes increase of \$1,016 million resulting from change in par value of the U.S. dollar on May 8.

⁸ Dollar equivalents not revalued to reflect de facto conversion rates.

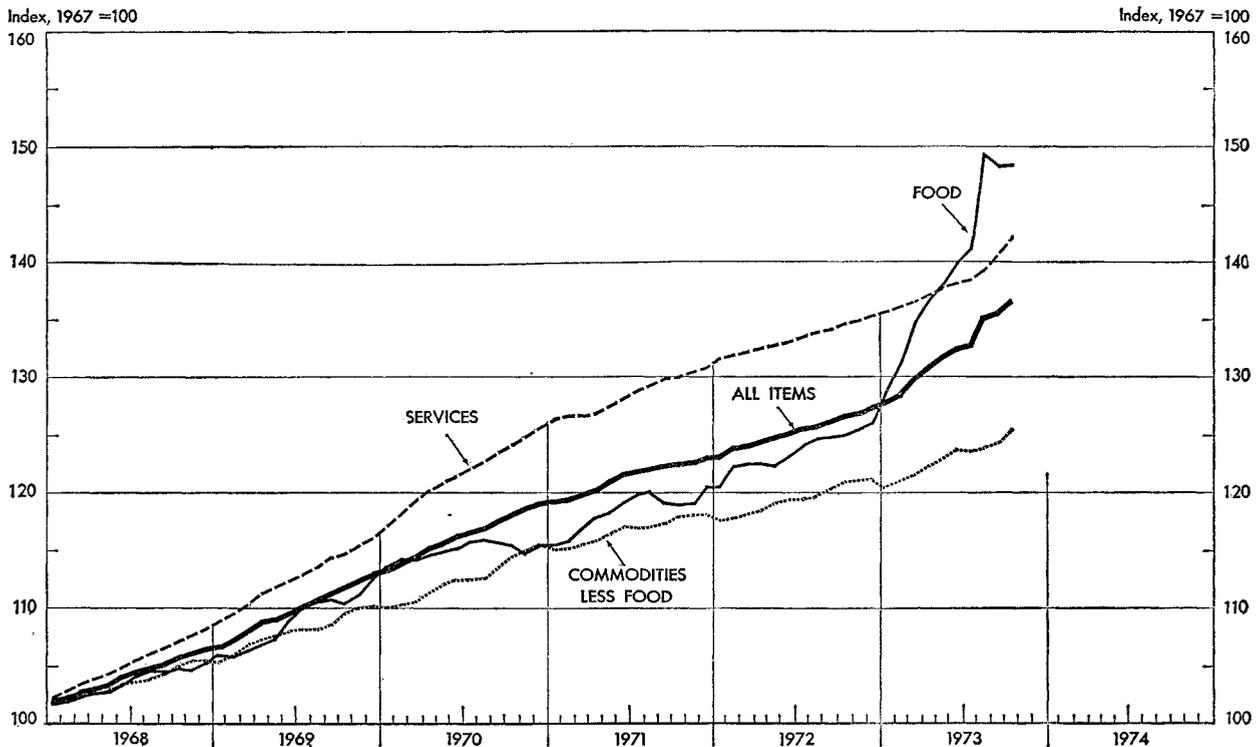
* Overall balances revised; detail to be revised in December.

Sources: Department of Commerce and Treasury Department.

PRICES

CONSUMER PRICES

In October, the consumer price index rose 0.8 percent (also 0.8 percent seasonally adjusted). Food prices were up 0.1 percent (0.5 percent seasonally adjusted) while nonfood commodity prices increased 0.9 percent (0.5 percent seasonally adjusted.) Services prices rose 1.1 percent, almost half of which was due to an increase in mortgage interest costs.



SOURCE: DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

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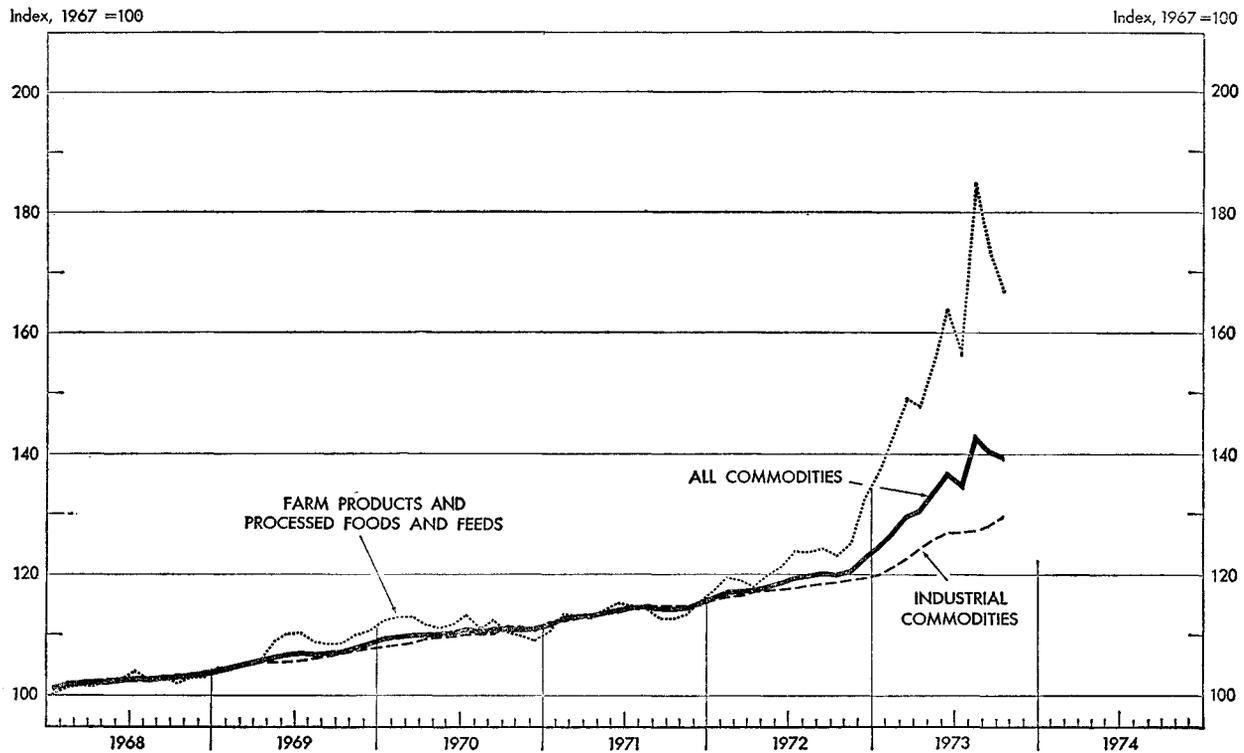
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Period	All items	Commodities					Services		
		All commodities	Food	Commodities less food			All services	Rent	Services less rent
				All	Durable	Non-durable			
1964	92.9	94.6	92.4	95.6	98.8	93.5	90.2	95.9	89.2
1965	94.5	95.7	94.4	96.2	98.4	94.8	92.2	96.9	91.5
1966	97.2	98.2	99.1	97.5	98.5	97.0	95.8	98.2	95.3
1967	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1968	104.2	103.7	103.6	103.7	103.1	104.1	105.2	102.4	105.7
1969	109.8	108.4	108.9	108.1	107.0	108.8	112.5	105.7	113.8
1970	116.3	113.5	114.9	112.5	111.8	113.1	121.6	110.1	123.7
1971	121.3	117.4	118.4	116.8	116.5	117.0	128.4	115.2	130.8
1972	125.3	120.9	123.5	119.4	118.9	119.8	133.3	119.2	135.9
1972: Sept	126.2	122.0	124.8	120.3	119.8	120.8	134.1	119.9	136.7
1972: Oct	126.6	122.3	124.9	120.8	120.1	121.3	134.6	120.3	137.2
1972: Nov	126.9	122.7	125.4	121.0	120.3	121.7	134.9	120.5	137.6
1972: Dec	127.3	122.9	126.0	121.1	120.3	121.7	135.4	121.0	138.0
1973: Jan	127.7	123.4	128.6	120.5	119.9	120.9	135.7	121.8	138.3
1973: Feb	128.6	124.5	131.1	120.9	119.9	121.6	136.2	122.3	138.7
1973: Mar	129.8	126.1	134.5	121.5	120.2	122.4	136.6	122.8	139.2
1973: Apr	130.7	127.4	136.5	122.3	121.0	123.3	137.1	123.2	139.6
1973: May	131.5	128.3	137.9	123.0	121.8	124.0	137.6	123.7	140.1
1973: June	132.4	129.4	139.8	123.7	122.3	124.7	138.1	124.0	140.7
1973: July	132.7	129.7	140.9	123.5	122.4	124.4	138.4	124.4	141.0
1973: Aug	135.1	132.8	149.4	123.8	122.6	124.7	139.3	125.0	141.9
1973: Sept	135.5	132.8	148.3	124.3	122.6	125.5	140.6	125.4	143.4
1973: Oct	136.6	133.5	148.4	125.4	123.2	127.0	142.2	125.9	145.2

Source: Department of Labor.

WHOLESALE PRICES

The wholesale price index declined 0.5 percent in October (0.3 percent after adjustment for seasonal factors). The decrease was due to prices of farm products and processed foods and feeds, which fell 3.9 percent (3.3 percent seasonally adjusted). Industrial commodity prices were up 1.2 percent (1.1 percent seasonally adjusted).



SOURCE: DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

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[1967 = 100]

Period	All commodities	Farm products and processed foods and feeds			Industrial commodities					
		Total	Farm products	Processed foods and feeds	All industrials ¹	Crude materials ²	Intermediate materials ³	Producer finished goods	Consumer finished goods excluding foods	
									Durable	Non-durable
1964	94.7	93.2	94.6	92.3	95.2	97.1	95.6	93.3	98.2	94.8
1965	96.6	97.1	98.7	95.5	96.4	100.9	96.9	94.4	97.9	95.9
1966	99.8	103.5	105.9	101.2	98.5	104.5	98.9	96.8	98.5	97.8
1967	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1968	102.5	102.4	102.5	102.2	102.5	102.0	102.6	103.5	102.2	102.2
1969	106.5	108.0	109.1	107.3	106.0	110.6	106.1	106.9	104.0	105.0
1970	110.4	111.6	111.0	112.0	110.0	118.8	110.0	111.9	107.1	108.2
1971	113.9	113.8	112.9	114.3	114.0	122.7	114.3	116.6	110.9	111.3
1972	119.1	122.4	125.0	120.8	117.9	131.1	118.9	119.5	113.2	113.6
1972: Sept.	120.2	124.5	128.6	121.8	118.7	132.6	119.8	119.9	113.7	114.5
1972: Oct.	120.0	123.3	125.5	121.8	118.8	133.8	120.1	119.7	112.7	114.7
1972: Nov.	120.7	125.3	128.8	123.1	119.1	136.3	120.3	119.9	112.8	115.0
1972: Dec.	122.9	132.6	137.5	129.4	119.4	136.8	120.5	120.3	113.7	115.2
1973: Jan.	124.5	137.0	144.2	132.4	120.0	139.1	121.2	120.6	113.8	115.4
1973: Feb.	126.9	142.4	150.9	137.0	121.3	142.3	122.6	121.2	114.0	117.4
1973: Mar.	129.7	149.0	160.9	141.4	122.7	142.5	124.8	121.7	114.5	117.8
1973: Apr.	130.7	147.9	160.6	139.8	124.4	146.8	126.6	122.3	115.3	119.8
1973: May	133.5	154.9	170.4	145.0	125.8	149.6	128.0	123.1	115.7	121.6
1973: June	136.7	163.6	182.3	151.8	126.9	152.8	128.9	123.4	115.9	124.7
1973: July	134.9	156.9	173.3	146.5	126.9	153.5	128.7	123.5	116.1	124.5
1973: Aug.	142.7	184.5	213.3	166.2	127.4	156.0	129.5	123.9	116.3	124.5
1973: Sept.	140.2	173.5	200.4	156.3	128.1	161.0	130.3	124.2	115.8	124.8
1973: Oct.	139.5	166.8	188.4	153.1	129.6	164.7	131.2	125.1	116.7	128.2

¹ Coverage of the subgroups does not correspond exactly to coverage of this index.

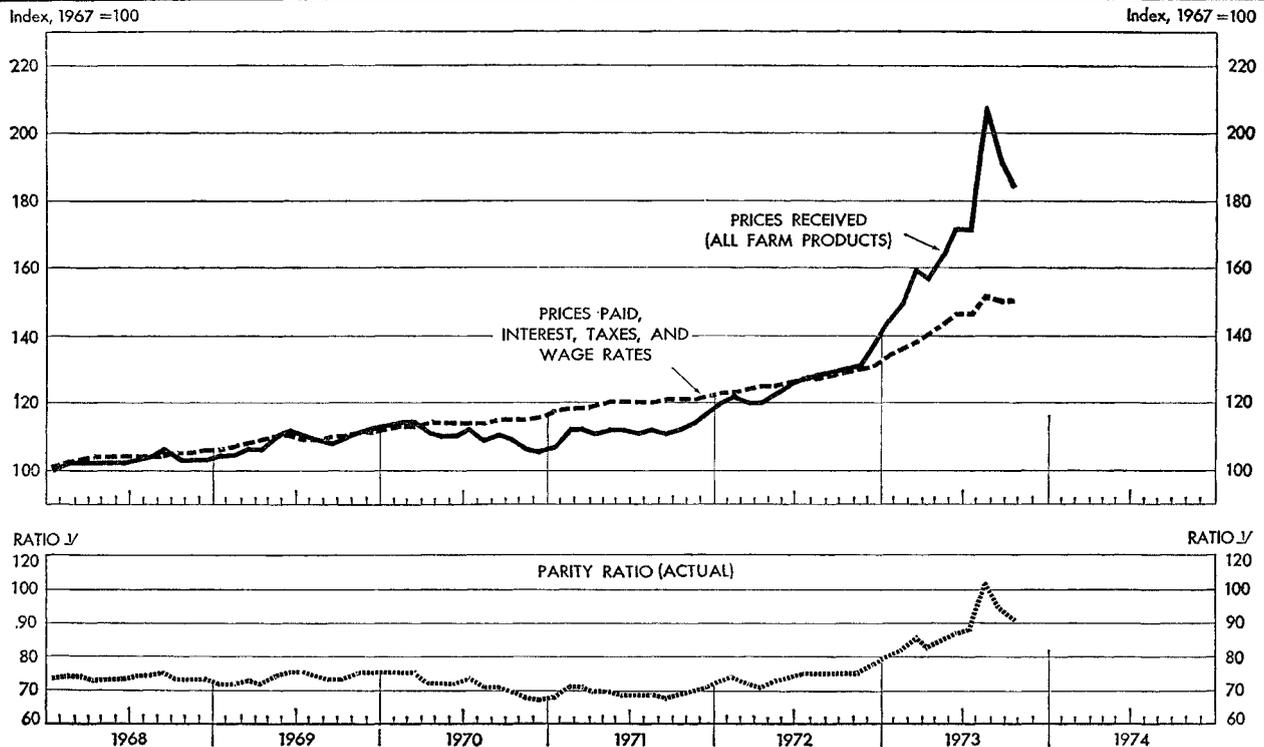
² Excludes crude foodstuffs and feedstuffs, plant and animal fibers, oilseeds, and leaf tobacco.

³ Excludes intermediate materials for food manufacturing and manufactured animal feeds; includes, in part, grain products for further processing.

Source: Department of Labor.

PRICES RECEIVED AND PAID BY FARMERS

In the month ended October 15, prices received by farmers declined 4 percent following a drop of 8 percent in September. Contributing most to the October decline were lower prices for cattle, hogs, wheat, broilers, and eggs. The index of prices paid was unchanged. Both the actual and adjusted parity ratios declined 4 points.



¹ RATIO OF INDEX OF PRICES RECEIVED TO INDEX OF PRICES PAID, INTEREST, TAXES, AND WAGE RATES, ON 1910-14=100 BASE.
SOURCE: DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

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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	Actual	Adjusted ²	
	Index, 1967=100								
1964.....	93	106	85	92	93	94	76	80	
1965.....	98	103	94	94	95	96	77	82	
1966.....	105	105	105	98	98	99	80	86	
1967.....	100	100	100	100	100	100	74	79	
1968.....	103	101	104	104	104	102	73	79	
1969.....	108	97	117	109	109	106	74	80	
1970.....	110	100	118	114	114	110	72	77	
1971.....	112	107	116	120	119	115	69	74	
1972.....	126	115	134	127	124	122	74	79	
1972: Sept 15.....	129	117	138	128	126	124	75	80	
Oct 15.....	130	117	139	129	125	125	75	80	
Nov 15.....	131	120	138	130	127	126	75	80	
Dec 15.....	137	127	145	131	127	129	78	83	
1973: Jan 15.....	144	131	153	134	129	132	80	83	
Feb 15.....	149	133	161	136	131	134	82	85	
Mar 15.....	159	140	174	138	132	138	86	89	
Apr 15.....	157	143	168	140	134	139	83	87	
May 15.....	163	154	169	143	136	143	85	89	
June 15.....	172	170	173	146	138	149	87	91	
July 15.....	172	164	179	146	138	148	88	92	
Aug 15.....	207	195	217	151	141	157	102	107	
Sept 15.....	191	183	198	150	142	154	95	99	
Oct 15.....	184	182	187	150	142	153	91	95	

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.

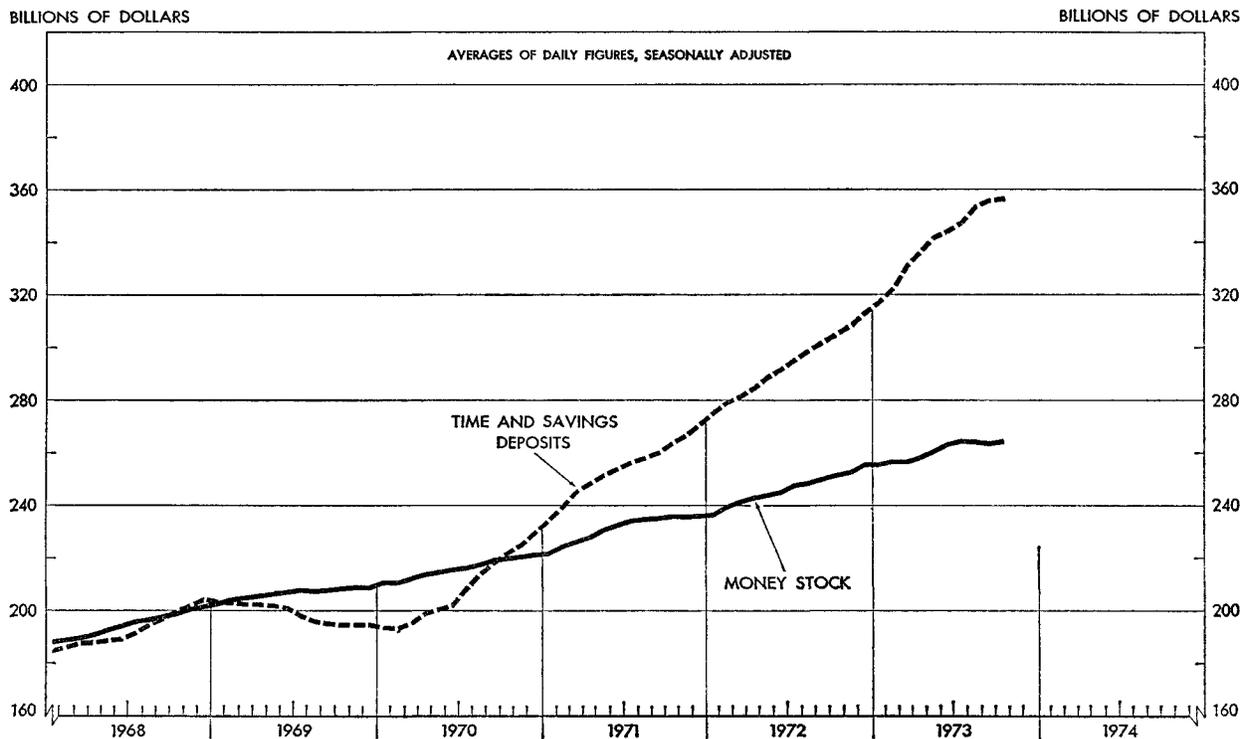
² The adjusted parity ratio reflects Government payments made directly to farmers.

Source: Department of Agriculture.

MONEY, CREDIT, AND SECURITY MARKETS

MONEY STOCK

The seasonally adjusted money stock increased at an annual rate of 4.7 percent in October. From January to October it also grew at a 4.7 percent annual rate.



SOURCE: BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

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[Averages of daily figures, billions of dollars]

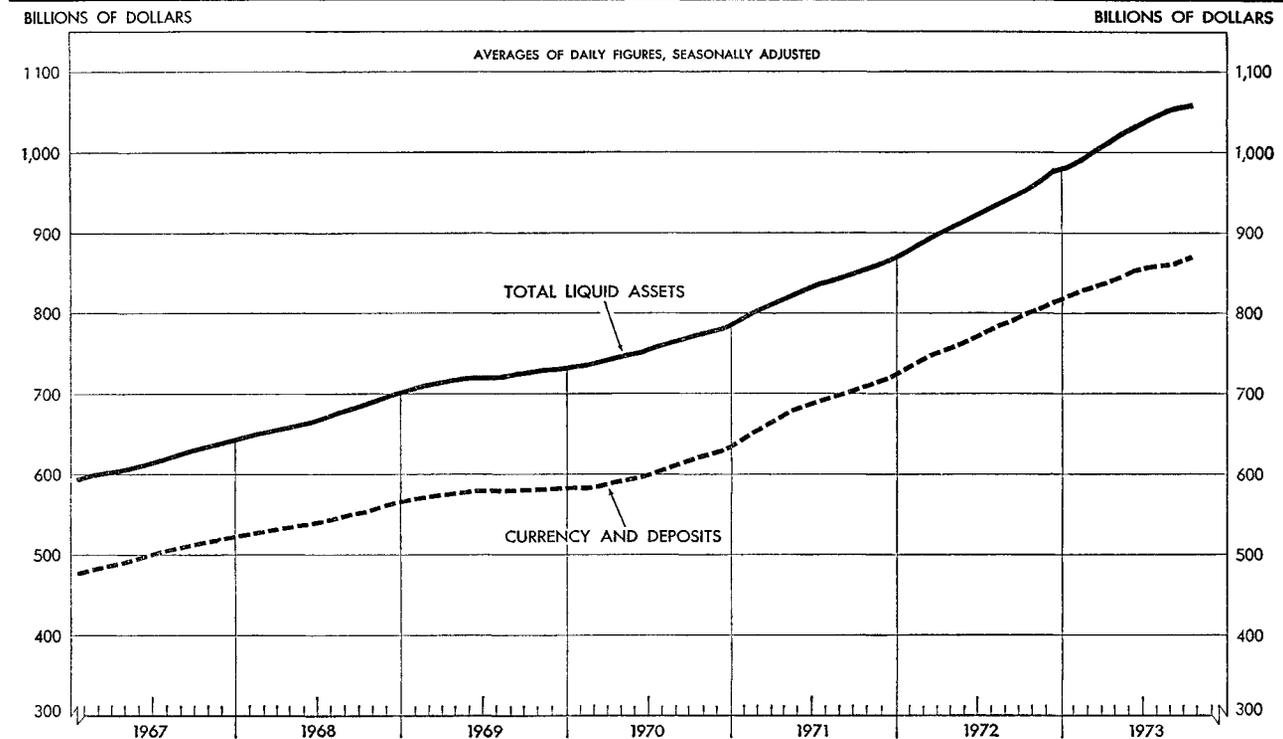
Period	Money stock				Money stock				U.S. Government demand deposits ¹
	Total	Cur-rency out-side banks	De-mand de-posits ¹	Time and sav-ings de-posits ¹	Total	Cur-rency out-side banks	De-mand de-posits ¹	Time and sav-ings de-posits ¹	
1967: Dec.....	187.0	40.4	146.6	183.1	192.7	41.2	151.4	182.1	5.0
1968: Dec.....	201.6	43.4	158.2	204.2	207.7	44.3	163.4	203.2	5.0
1969: Dec.....	208.8	46.1	162.7	194.4	214.9	46.9	167.9	193.2	5.6
1970: Dec.....	221.3	49.1	172.2	229.2	227.7	50.0	177.8	228.1	7.3
1971: Dec.....	236.0	52.6	183.4	270.9	242.8	53.5	189.2	269.8	6.9
1972: Dec.....	255.5	56.8	198.7	312.8	262.9	57.8	205.0	311.7	7.3
1972: Sept.....	250.1	55.3	194.8	301.9	248.7	55.2	193.5	302.7	5.9
Oct.....	251.6	55.7	195.9	304.8	251.2	55.7	195.5	305.9	6.6
Nov.....	252.7	56.2	196.5	308.4	254.3	56.7	197.7	307.7	6.2
Dec.....	255.5	56.8	198.7	312.8	262.9	57.8	205.0	311.7	7.3
1973: Jan.....	255.4	57.0	198.4	316.9	262.6	56.7	205.9	316.6	8.0
Feb.....	256.7	57.5	199.3	322.6	254.0	56.7	197.3	322.5	9.6
Mar.....	256.6	57.9	198.7	330.9	254.1	57.3	196.7	331.4	10.1
Apr.....	258.2	58.7	199.5	336.7	259.5	58.2	201.3	336.1	8.2
May.....	260.5	59.0	201.6	341.8	256.0	58.7	197.3	340.9	8.4
June.....	263.2	59.4	203.9	344.1	261.2	59.4	201.8	342.7	6.9
July.....	264.3	59.5	204.9	347.7	263.2	59.9	203.2	345.8	6.3
Aug.....	263.9	59.7	204.2	353.6	260.7	60.0	200.8	354.7	4.0
Sept.....	263.4	60.1	203.3	355.6	261.9	60.1	201.8	357.2	5.1
Oct.....	264.4	60.3	204.1	356.3	264.0	60.3	203.7	358.3	5.8

Deposits at commercial banks.

Source: Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

PRIVATE LIQUID ASSET HOLDINGS - NONFINANCIAL INVESTORS

Private nonfinancial investors increased their holdings of liquid assets in October by \$3.7 billion (seasonally adjusted). The sharp decline of \$3.5 billion in negotiable certificates of deposit was more than offset by increases in commercial bank time deposits.



SOURCE: BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

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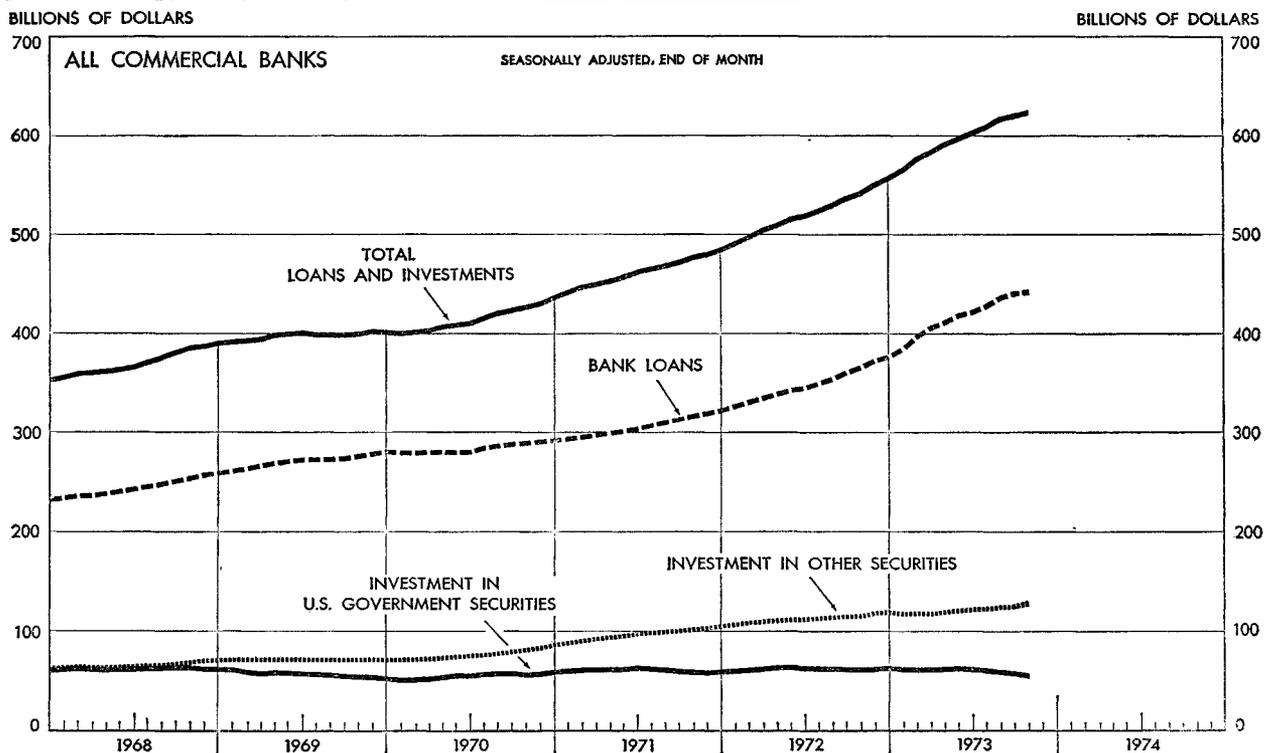
[Averages of daily figures; billions of dollars, seasonally adjusted]

Period	Total liquid assets	Currency and deposits					U.S. Government securities		Negotiable certificates of deposit	Commercial paper
		Total	Currency	Demand deposits	Time deposits		Savings bonds	Short-term marketable securities		
					Commercial banks	Nonbank thrift institutions				
1966: Dec	590.6	473.7	38.3	121.1	136.9	177.3	50.1	43.6	14.5	8.8
1967: Dec	640.7	520.4	40.4	129.4	156.3	194.2	51.0	39.9	19.1	10.4
1968: Dec	699.1	563.2	43.4	139.4	174.4	205.9	51.4	47.2	22.4	14.9
1969: Dec	730.9	582.2	46.1	143.6	177.2	215.4	51.1	65.3	9.0	23.4
1970: Dec	781.5	630.7	49.1	151.5	198.7	231.4	51.3	53.8	23.0	22.6
1971: Dec	865.7	719.3	52.6	161.3	233.4	272.0	53.7	41.5	29.8	21.5
1972: Dec	975.8	814.6	56.8	174.7	264.8	318.2	57.0	43.4	39.2	21.6
1972: Sept	944.4	790.9	55.3	171.2	257.0	307.4	56.1	39.4	36.7	21.3
Oct	953.3	799.1	55.7	172.1	259.8	311.5	56.4	40.2	36.6	21.0
Nov	963.8	805.9	56.2	172.7	262.2	314.9	56.7	42.1	37.5	21.5
Dec	975.8	814.6	56.8	174.7	264.8	318.2	57.0	43.4	39.2	21.6
1973: Jan	981.4	821.2	57.0	173.9	267.6	322.7	57.2	41.5	39.9	21.6
Feb	990.5	827.5	57.5	174.6	268.9	326.6	57.6	40.9	44.0	20.5
Mar	1,002.0	832.6	57.9	174.2	271.0	329.5	57.9	42.2	49.8	19.4
Apr	1,012.2	839.0	58.7	175.3	272.8	332.3	58.2	42.6	53.6	18.8
May	1,023.4	845.5	59.0	177.1	274.8	334.6	58.5	44.2	56.4	18.8
June	1,032.6	853.1	59.4	179.2	276.9	337.7	58.8	45.0	56.4	19.4
July	1,041.1	857.1	59.5	179.9	278.1	339.6	59.1	45.7	59.0	20.3
Aug	1,049.2	859.8	59.7	179.0	281.4	339.7	59.2	47.2	61.5	21.5
Sept	1,054.2	862.1	60.1	177.9	283.6	340.5	59.3	48.8	61.2	22.7
Oct	1,057.9	868.9	60.3	178.9	287.3	342.4	59.5	48.6	57.7	23.2

Source: Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

BANK LOANS, INVESTMENTS, DEBITS, AND RESERVES

Total loans and investments (seasonally adjusted) at all commercial banks increased at an annual rate of 7.0 percent in October, up from a revised 4.4 percent annual rate in September. Net borrowed reserves declined by \$336 million during the month.



SOURCE: BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

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End of period	All commercial banks (seasonally adjusted data)					Bank debits outside New York City (232 centers), seasonally adjusted annual rates ¹	All member banks ²			
	Total loans and invest- ments	Loans		Investments			Total reserves	Excess reserves	Borrow- ings at Federal Reserve Banks	Free reserves
		Total, exclud- ing inter- bank	Com- mercial and indus- trial	U.S. Gov- ernment securities	Other securi- ties					
	Billions of dollars					Millions of dollars				
1967	352.0	231.3	86.2	59.4	61.3	3,755	25,260	345	238	107
1968	390.2	258.2	95.9	60.7	71.3	4,360	27,221	455	765	-310
1969	³ 401.7	³ 279.1	³ 105.7	³ 51.5	³ 71.1	5,150	28,031	257	1,086	-829
1970	435.5	291.7	110.0	57.9	85.9	5,717	29,265	272	321	-49
1971	484.8	⁴ 320.3	115.9	60.1	⁴ 104.4	6,443	31,329	165	107	58
1972	556.4	377.8	129.7	61.9	116.7	7,530	⁵ 31,353	⁵ 219	1,049	⁵ -830
1972: Oct	540.4	365.7	126.3	60.3	114.4	7,748	33,803	247	574	-327
Nov	549.9	372.9	128.2	60.9	116.1	8,175	⁵ 31,774	⁵ 314	606	⁵ -292
Dec	556.4	377.8	129.7	61.9	116.7	8,179	31,353	219	1,049	-830
1973: Jan	564.7	385.8	133.3	61.8	117.1	8,589	32,962	342	1,165	-823
Feb	575.4	397.2	138.1	60.6	117.6	8,842	31,742	205	1,593	-1,388
Mar	583.6	405.8	141.8	60.4	117.4	9,110	31,973	295	1,858	-1,563
Apr	589.6	411.1	143.9	61.0	117.5	9,039	32,277	152	⁶ 1,721	⁶ -1,569
May	597.7	417.4	146.8	61.0	119.3	9,270	32,393	118	1,786	-1,668
June	602.0	420.3	148.2	61.6	120.1	9,410	32,028	59	1,789	-1,730
July ^p	608.2	427.3	151.4	59.6	121.3	9,834	33,542	343	2,051	-1,708
Aug ^p	616.0	435.3	153.6	57.7	123.0	10,141	33,785	246	2,143	-1,897
Sept ^p	618.2	438.1	154.0	56.3	123.8	9,890	34,019	237	1,861	-1,624
Oct ^p	621.7	440.0	154.0	54.9	126.8		34,899	180	1,468	-1,288

¹ Debits during period to demand deposit accounts except interbank and U.S. Government.

² Averages of daily figures. Annual data are for December.

³ Beginning June 1969, data include all bank-premises subsidiaries and other significant majority-owned domestic subsidiaries; earlier data include commercial banks only.

⁴ As of June 1971, Farmers Home Administration notes totaling about \$0.7 billion are classified as other securities rather than as loans.

⁵ Beginning November 9, 1972 adjusted to include certain reserve deficiencies on which penalties can be waived for a transition period in connection with adaptation to Regulation J.

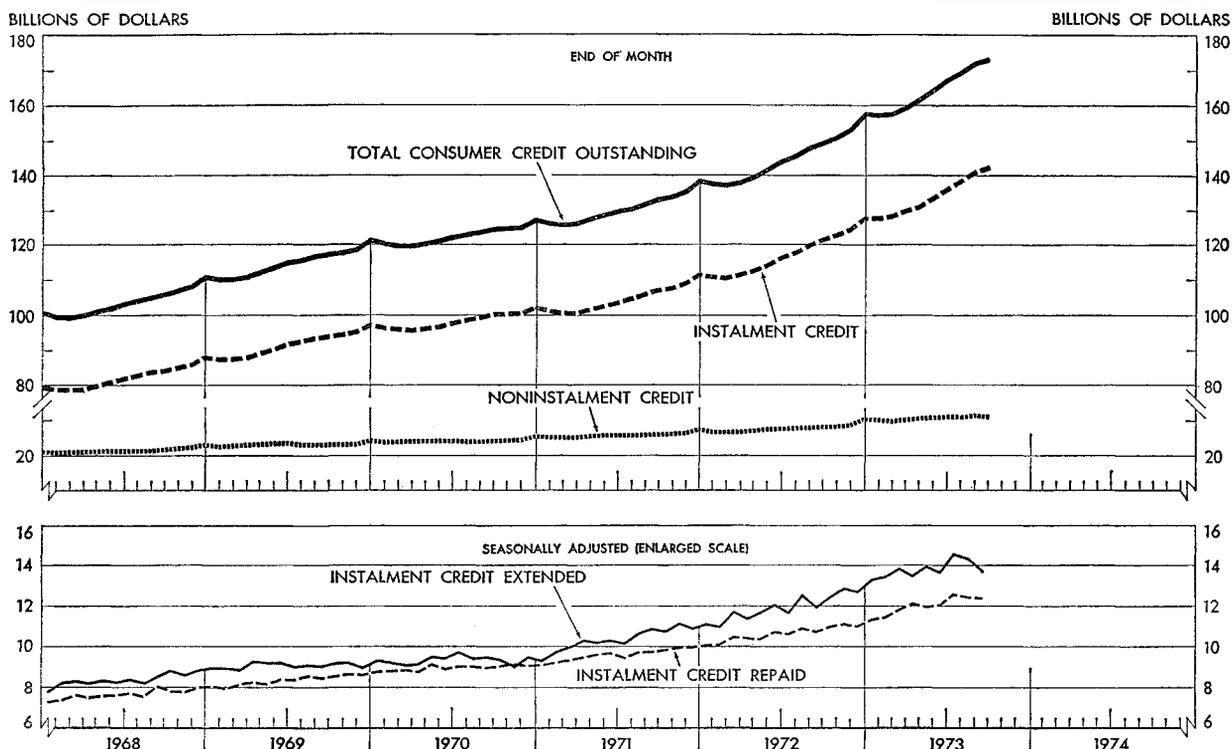
⁶ Beginning April 1973, includes seasonal borrowings.

Note.—Commercial bank data revised beginning 1959.

Source: Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

CONSUMER AND REAL ESTATE CREDIT

Consumer credit (seasonally unadjusted) rose \$1.1 billion during September, compared to a \$1.3 billion increase a year earlier. Consumer instalment credit (seasonally adjusted) increased \$1.4 billion in September.



SOURCE: BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

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[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			Non-instalment ²	Total		Automobile paper		
		Total ¹	Automobile paper	Personal loans		Extended	Repaid	Extended	Repaid	
1964	80,268	62,692	24,934	17,848	17,576	70,670	63,470	24,046	21,369	197,600
1965	89,883	70,893	28,437	20,237	18,990	78,661	70,463	27,208	23,706	212,900
1966	96,239	76,245	30,010	21,662	19,994	82,832	77,480	27,192	25,619	223,600
1967	100,783	79,428	29,796	23,235	21,355	87,171	83,988	26,320	26,534	236,100
1968	110,770	87,745	32,948	25,932	23,025	99,984	91,667	31,083	27,931	251,200
1969	121,146	97,105	35,527	28,652	24,041	109,146	99,786	32,553	29,974	266,800
1970	127,163	102,064	35,184	30,345	25,099	112,158	107,199	29,794	30,137	280,200
1971	138,394	111,295	38,664	32,865	27,099	124,281	115,050	34,873	31,393	307,800
1972	157,564	127,332	44,129	36,922	30,232	142,951	126,914	40,194	34,729	346,100
1972: Aug	147,631	119,911	42,323	35,450	27,720	12,484	10,841	3,491	2,896	
Sept	148,976	121,193	42,644	35,755	27,783	11,953	10,667	3,368	2,873	335,800
Oct	150,576	122,505	43,162	36,003	28,071	12,404	10,908	3,504	3,041	
Nov	152,968	124,325	43,674	36,413	28,643	12,846	11,128	3,620	3,023	
Dec	157,564	127,332	44,129	36,922	30,232	12,627	10,964	3,763	2,977	346,100
1973: Jan	157,227	127,368	44,353	36,870	29,859	13,304	11,355	4,006	3,097	
Feb	157,582	127,959	44,817	37,108	29,623	13,434	11,437	3,972	3,145	
Mar	159,320	129,375	45,610	37,486	29,945	13,852	11,808	4,001	3,225	353,700
Apr	161,491	131,022	46,478	37,695	30,469	13,465	12,061	3,822	3,218	
May	164,277	133,531	47,518	38,376	30,746	13,932	11,941	3,989	3,261	
June	167,083	136,018	48,549	38,928	31,065	13,646	12,034	3,762	3,253	365,800
July	169,148	138,212	49,352	39,440	30,936	14,542	12,544	3,930	3,334	
Aug	171,978	140,810	50,232	40,064	31,168	14,294	12,399	3,968	3,293	
Sept	173,035	142,093	50,557	40,397	30,942	13,691	12,332	3,939	3,406	376,600

¹ Also includes other consumer goods paper, and repair and modernization loans, not shown separately.

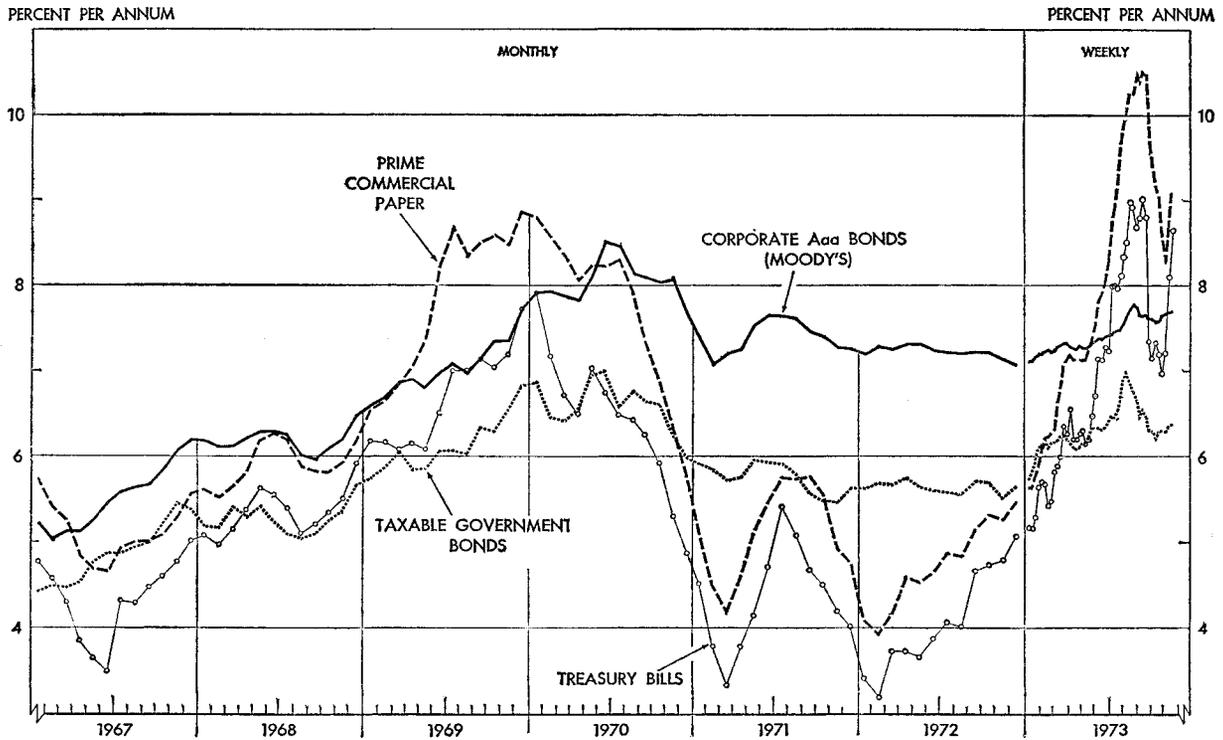
² Consists of single-payment loans, charge accounts, and service credit.

³ End of period, unadjusted.

Source: Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

BOND YIELDS AND INTEREST RATES

Short-term interest rates increased and long-term rates edged upward in early November.



SOURCE: SEE TABLE BELOW

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[Percent per annum]

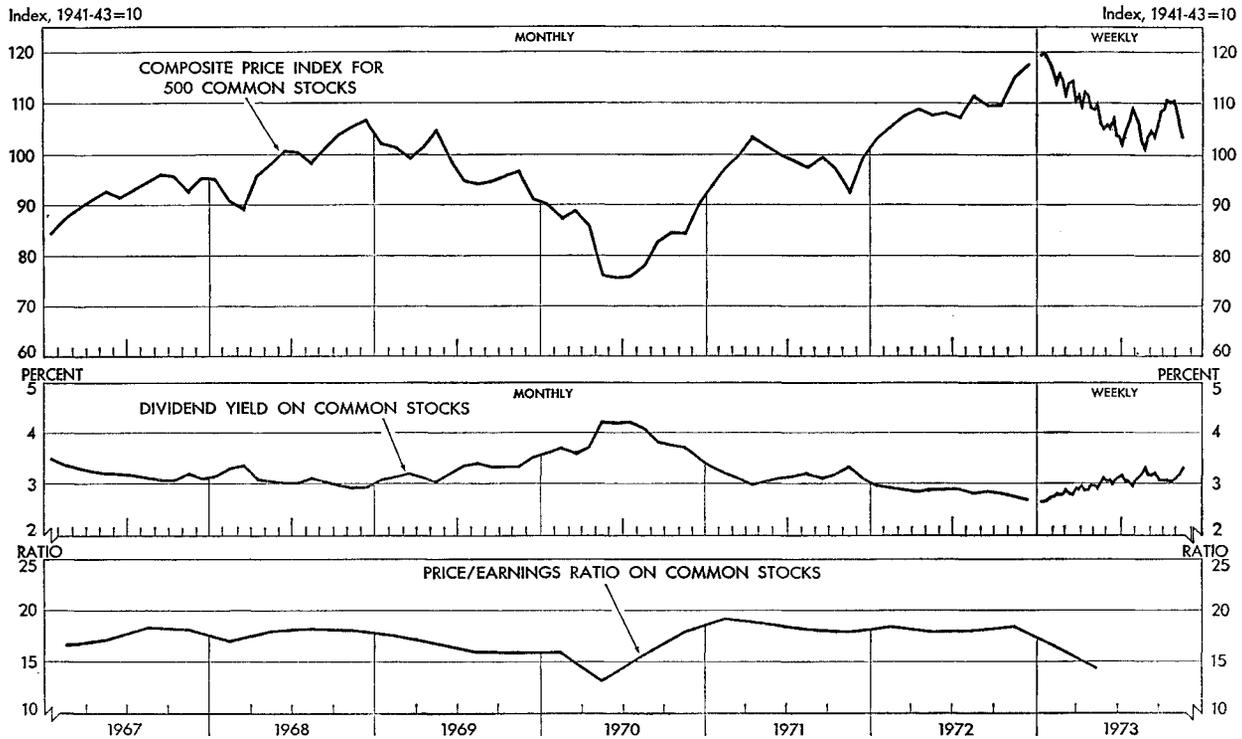
Period	U.S. Government security yields			High-grade municipal bonds (Standard & Poor's) ⁴	Corporate bonds (Moody's)		Prime commercial paper, 4-6 months	FHA new home mortgage yields ⁵
	3-month Treasury bills ¹	3-5 year issues ²	Taxable bonds ³		Aaa	Baa		
1967	4.321	5.07	4.85	3.98	5.51	6.23	5.10	6.55
1968	5.339	5.59	5.25	4.51	6.18	6.94	5.90	7.13
1969	6.677	6.85	6.10	5.81	7.03	7.81	7.83	8.19
1970	6.458	7.37	6.59	6.51	8.04	9.11	7.72	9.05
1971	4.348	5.77	5.74	5.70	7.39	8.56	5.11	7.78
1972	4.071	5.85	5.63	5.27	7.21	8.16	4.69	7.53
1972: Oct.	4.719	6.11	5.69	5.20	7.21	8.06	5.30	7.56
Nov.	4.774	6.03	5.50	5.03	7.12	7.99	5.25	7.57
Dec.	5.061	6.07	5.63	5.03	7.08	7.93	5.45	7.57
1973: Jan.	5.307	6.29	5.94	5.05	7.15	7.90	5.78	7.56
Feb.	5.558	6.61	6.14	5.12	7.22	7.97	6.22	7.55
Mar.	6.054	6.85	6.20	5.30	7.29	8.03	6.85	7.56
Apr.	6.289	6.74	6.11	5.16	7.26	8.09	7.14	7.63
May	6.348	6.78	6.22	5.12	7.29	8.06	7.27	7.73
June	7.188	6.76	6.32	5.15	7.37	8.13	7.99	7.79
July	8.015	7.49	6.53	5.39	7.45	8.24	9.18	7.89
Aug.	8.672	7.75	6.81	5.47	7.68	8.53	10.21	8.19
Sept.	8.478	7.16	6.42	5.11	7.63	8.63	10.23	-----
Oct.	7.155	6.81	6.26	5.05	7.60	8.41	8.92	9.18
Nov.	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	8.97
Week ended:	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
1973: Oct 19	7.188	6.80	6.27	5.03	7.58	8.40	9.03	-----
26	6.959	6.80	6.28	5.09	7.64	8.41	8.56	-----
Nov 2	7.196	6.83	6.27	5.15	7.65	8.43	8.28	-----
9	8.098	7.03	6.33	5.15	7.67	8.43	8.69	-----
16	8.636	7.16	6.35	5.24	7.69	8.42	9.08	-----
23	⁶ 7.704	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----

¹ Rate on new issues within period. ² Selected note and bond issues.
³ April 1953 to date, bonds due or callable 10 years and after.
⁴ Weekly data are Wednesday figures. ⁵ Not charted.
⁶ Data for first of the month, based on the maximum permissible interest rate (8½ percent beginning August 25, 1973) and 30-year mortgages paid in 15 years.

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

COMMON STOCK PRICES, YIELD, AND EARNINGS

The stock market declined from mid-October to mid-November.



SOURCE: STANDARD & POOR'S CORPORATION

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Period	Price index ¹						Dividend yield ² (percent)	Price/ earnings ratio ³
	Total	Industrials			Public utilities	Railroads		
		Total	Capital goods	Consumers' goods				
1941-43=10								
1967	91.93	99.18	96.96	79.18	68.10	46.72	3.20	17.48
1968	98.69	107.49	105.77	86.33	66.42	48.84	3.07	17.66
1969	97.84	107.13	103.75	87.06	62.64	45.95	3.24	16.48
1970	83.22	91.29	87.87	80.22	54.48	32.13	3.83	15.69
1971	98.29	108.35	102.80	99.78	59.33	41.94	3.14	18.50
1972	109.20	121.79	119.39	113.91	56.90	44.11	2.84	18.20
1972: Oct.	109.56	122.39	119.50	112.94	56.66	41.20	2.82	-----
Nov.	115.05	128.29	122.11	119.51	61.16	42.41	2.73	-----
Dec.	117.50	131.08	124.57	122.26	61.73	44.62	2.70	18.39
1973: Jan.	118.42	132.55	127.04	122.57	60.01	42.87	2.69	-----
Feb.	114.16	127.87	125.56	117.54	57.52	40.61	2.80	-----
Mar.	112.42	126.05	124.53	116.41	55.94	39.29	2.83	16.40
Apr.	110.27	123.56	120.38	111.24	55.34	38.88	2.90	-----
May	107.22	119.95	116.48	107.44	55.43	36.14	3.01	-----
June	104.75	117.20	114.75	104.83	54.37	34.35	3.06	14.40
July	105.83	118.65	116.31	105.94	53.31	35.22	3.04	-----
Aug.	103.80	116.75	115.98	104.35	50.14	33.76	3.16	-----
Sept.	105.61	118.52	116.60	105.16	52.31	35.49	3.13	-----
Oct.	109.84	123.42	122.30	106.58	53.22	38.24	3.05	-----
Week ended:								
1973: Oct 5	108.81	122.02	118.33	106.86	54.21	37.50	3.06	-----
12	110.42	124.01	122.16	106.96	53.93	38.13	3.05	-----
19	110.09	123.76	124.13	107.26	52.87	38.39	3.03	-----
26	110.21	123.97	124.77	106.79	52.46	38.58	3.03	-----
Nov 2	108.71	122.22	122.12	105.02	51.88	38.73	3.10	-----
9	105.72	118.77	118.57	102.68	50.38	40.03	3.17	-----
16	103.51	116.36	116.88	97.82	48.61	40.46	3.31	-----

¹ Includes 500 common stocks: 425 industrials, 55 public utilities, and 20 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.

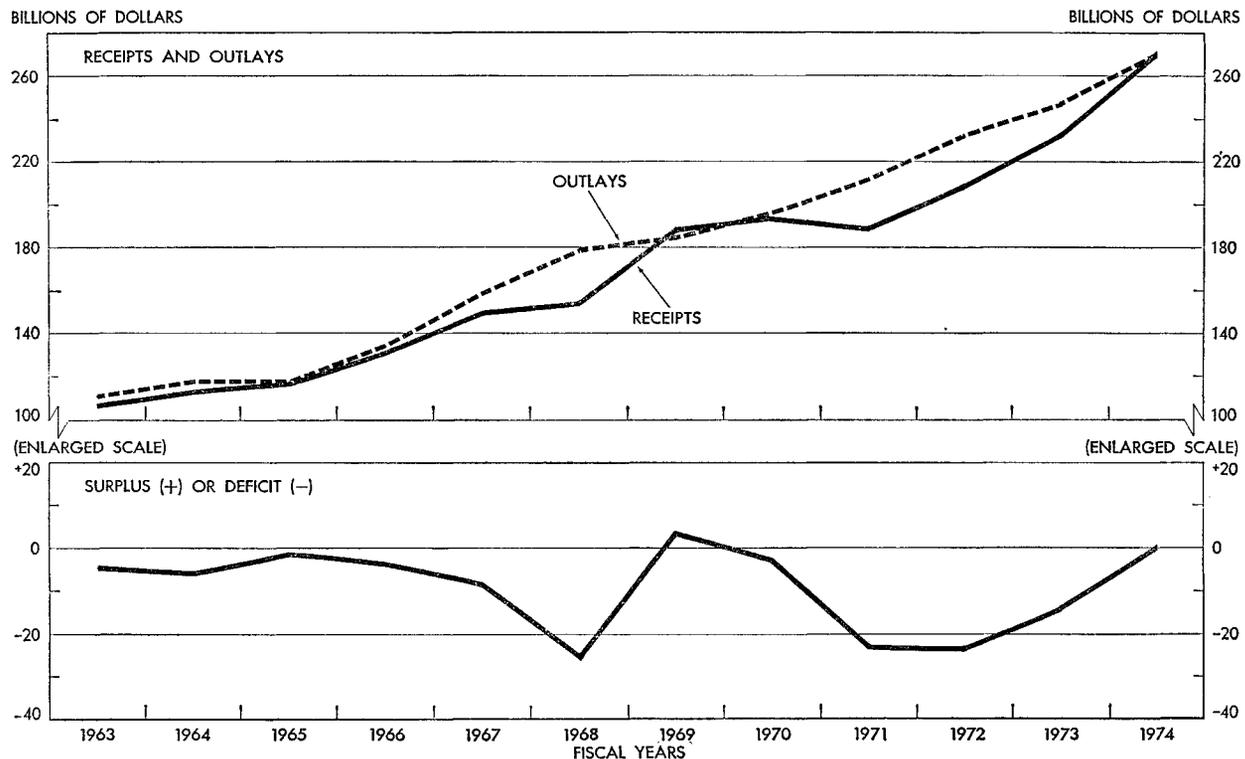
³ Ratio of price index for last day of quarter to earnings for 12 months ending with that quarter. Annual ratios are averages of quarterly data.

Source: Standard & Poor's Corporation.

FEDERAL FINANCE

FEDERAL BUDGET RECEIPTS AND OUTLAYS AND DEBT

In the first 3 months of fiscal 1974 there was a deficit of \$1.1 billion; a year earlier the deficit was \$1.9 billion.



SOURCES: TREASURY DEPARTMENT AND OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET

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[Billions of dollars]

Period	Receipts	Outlays	Surplus or deficit (-)	Federal debt (end of period)	
				Total ¹	Held by the public
Fiscal year:					
1962.....	99.7	106.8	-7.1	303.3	248.4
1963.....	106.6	111.3	-4.8	310.8	254.5
1964.....	112.7	118.6	-5.9	316.8	257.6
1965.....	116.8	118.4	-1.6	323.2	261.6
1966.....	130.9	134.7	-3.8	329.5	264.7
1967.....	149.6	158.3	-8.7	341.3	267.5
1968.....	153.7	178.8	-25.2	369.8	290.6
1969.....	187.8	184.5	3.2	367.1	279.5
1970.....	193.7	196.6	-2.8	382.6	284.9
1971.....	188.4	211.4	-23.0	409.5	304.3
1972.....	208.6	231.9	-23.2	437.3	323.8
1973.....	232.2	246.5	-14.3	468.4	343.0
1974 ²	270.0	270.0	.0	481.1	340.2
Cumulative totals for first 3 months:					
Fiscal year 1973.....	55.7	57.6	-1.9	444.6	328.8
Fiscal year 1974.....	64.4	65.5	-1.1	472.1	342.3

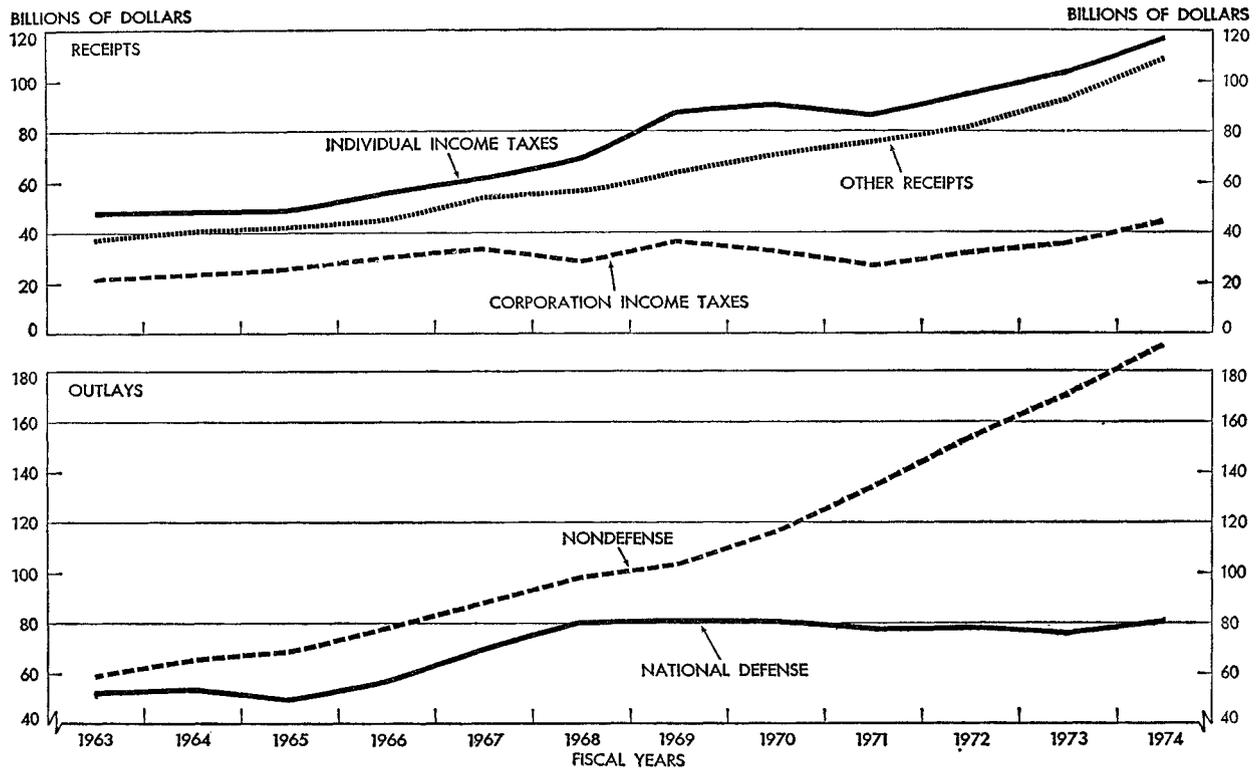
¹ Excludes non-interest-bearing public debt securities held by IMF.

² Estimates as revised November 15, 1973.

Sources: Treasury Department and Office of Management and Budget.

FEDERAL BUDGET RECEIPTS BY SOURCE AND OUTLAYS BY FUNCTION

In the first 3 months of fiscal 1974 budget receipts were \$8.7 billion higher than a year earlier and budget outlays were \$7.9 billion higher.



SOURCES: TREASURY DEPARTMENT AND OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET

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[Billions of dollars]

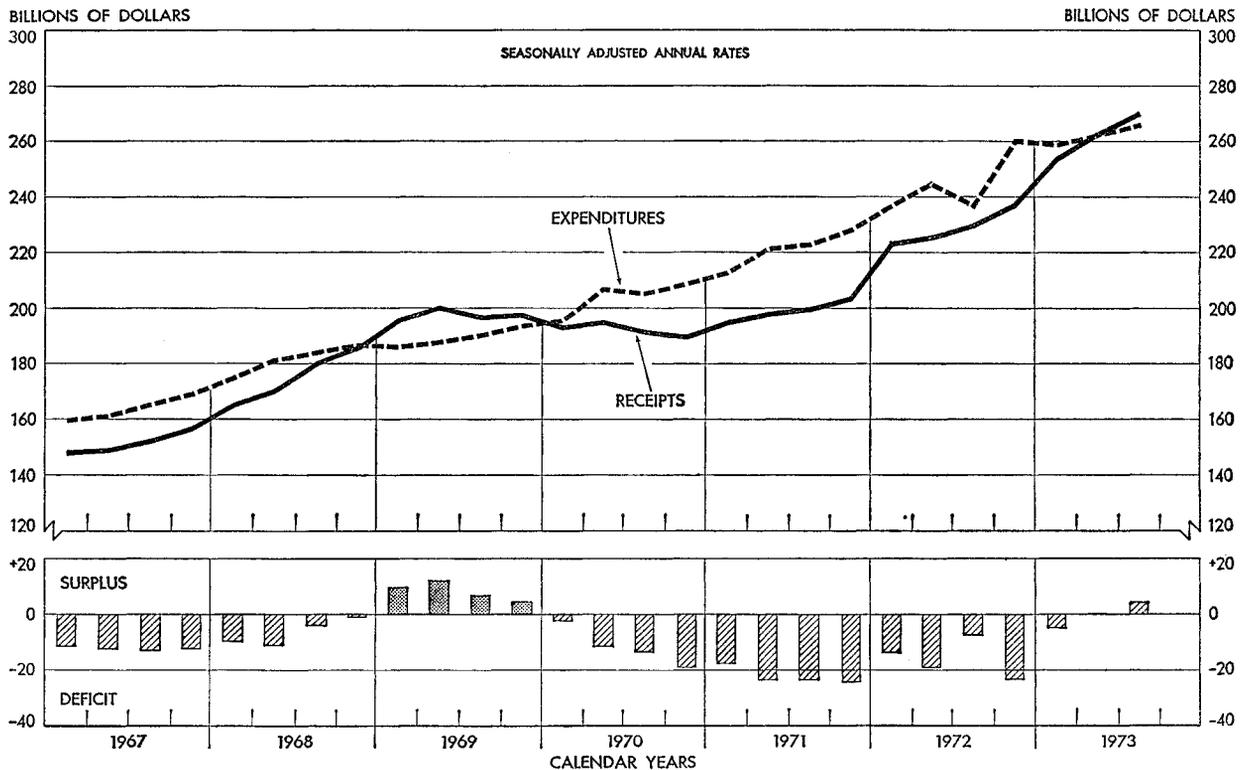
Period	Receipts				Outlays						
	Total	Individual income taxes	Corporation income taxes	Other	Total	National defense		International affairs and finance	Health and income security	Interest	Other
						Total	Department of Defense, military				
Fiscal year:											
1962.....	99.7	45.6	20.5	33.6	106.8	51.1	46.9	4.5	23.7	8.3	19.2
1963.....	106.6	47.6	21.6	37.4	111.3	52.3	48.1	4.1	25.5	9.2	20.3
1964.....	112.7	48.7	23.5	40.5	118.6	53.6	49.6	4.1	26.8	9.8	24.2
1965.....	116.8	48.8	25.5	42.6	118.4	49.6	46.0	4.3	27.4	10.4	26.7
1966.....	130.9	55.4	30.1	45.3	134.7	56.8	54.2	4.5	31.5	11.3	30.6
1967.....	149.6	61.5	34.0	54.1	158.3	70.1	67.5	4.5	37.8	12.6	33.2
1968.....	153.7	68.7	28.7	56.3	178.8	80.5	77.4	4.6	43.7	13.7	36.2
1969.....	187.8	87.2	36.7	63.9	184.5	81.2	77.9	3.8	49.3	15.8	34.4
1970.....	193.7	90.4	32.8	70.5	196.6	80.3	77.2	3.6	56.7	18.3	37.7
1971.....	188.4	86.2	26.8	75.4	211.4	77.7	74.5	3.1	70.6	19.6	40.5
1972.....	208.6	94.7	32.2	81.7	231.9	78.3	75.2	3.8	81.5	20.6	47.6
1973.....	232.2	103.3	36.1	92.8	246.5	76.1	73.3	3.2	91.2	22.8	53.4
1974 ¹	270.0	117.0	44.0	109.0	270.0	81.0	78.2	4.1	105.8	27.7	51.4
Cumulative totals for first 3 months:											
Fiscal year 1973....	55.7	26.7	6.7	22.3	57.6	16.4	16.1	.8	20.0	5.3	15.1
Fiscal year 1974....	64.4	29.8	7.3	27.3	65.5	17.7	17.7	.8	24.0	6.7	16.1

¹ Estimates as revised November 15, 1973.

Sources: Treasury Department and Office of Management and Budget.

FEDERAL SECTOR, NATIONAL INCOME ACCOUNTS BASIS

According to current estimates for the third quarter, Federal receipts increased \$7.4 billion (seasonally adjusted annual rates) and expenditures rose \$3.2 billion, yielding a surplus of \$4.3 billion—the first surplus since the last quarter of 1969.



SOURCE: DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

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

Period	Federal Government receipts					Federal Government expenditures							Surplus or deficit (-), income and product accounts
	Total	Personal tax and nontax receipts	Corporate profits tax accruals	Indirect business tax and nontax accruals	Contributions for 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 Government enterprises	Less: Wage accruals less disbursements	
Fiscal year:													
1969	190.4	90.0	37.4	18.6	44.4	185.7	99.4	50.7	19.2	12.3	4.1	0.0	4.7
1970	195.2	93.6	33.3	19.2	49.1	195.9	98.0	56.8	22.6	14.0	4.7	.1	-7.7
1971	192.6	87.4	32.2	20.1	52.9	212.6	95.9	69.7	26.8	14.3	5.8	-1.1	-19.9
1972	213.7	100.1	34.7	19.9	59.0	233.2	103.2	78.6	32.9	13.4	5.2	.0	-19.5
1973	242.9	107.1	44.0	20.6	71.1	255.0	105.0	89.1	40.2	14.3	6.3	.0	-12.1
Calendar year:													
1969	197.3	94.8	36.6	19.0	46.9	189.2	98.8	52.4	20.3	13.1	4.6	.0	8.1
1970	192.0	92.2	31.0	19.3	49.5	203.9	96.2	63.2	24.4	14.6	5.5	.0	-11.9
1971	198.9	89.9	33.3	20.4	55.2	221.0	98.1	74.9	29.1	13.6	5.3	.0	-22.2
1972	228.7	107.9	37.8	19.9	63.0	244.6	104.4	82.9	37.7	13.5	6.1	.0	-15.9
1972: I	222.9	105.6	36.0	19.7	61.5	236.6	106.0	79.7	32.2	13.1	5.5	.0	-13.8
II	225.4	106.6	36.7	19.7	62.4	244.4	106.7	80.1	38.0	13.6	5.9	-1.1	-19.0
III	229.6	108.1	38.0	19.9	63.6	237.0	102.3	80.8	34.4	13.4	6.2	.0	-7.4
IV	236.9	111.3	40.7	20.3	64.6	260.3	102.7	91.0	46.1	13.7	6.7	.0	-23.4
1973: I	253.6	108.5	46.6	20.7	77.8	258.6	105.5	91.8	41.1	14.7	5.5	.0	-5.0
II	262.4	111.4	50.8	21.2	79.1	262.4	107.3	93.8	40.5	15.6	5.1	-1.1	.0
III	269.8	116.9	51.3	20.8	80.8	265.6	106.8	96.6	40.5	16.2	5.3	.0	4.3

Source: Department of Commerce.

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