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## ABOUT THE REPORT

## NATIONAL

INCOME AND
PRODUCT accounts summarize both receipts and final expenditures for the personal, business, foreign, and government sectors of the economy and provide useful measures of total economic activity. The total of the final expenditures, which equals the total of the receipts, is known as gross national product, the most comprehensive single measure of aggregate economic output. GNP is defined as the total market value of the final output of goods and services produced by the Nation's economy.


CYCLICAL
INDICATORS
are economic time series which have been singled out as leaders, coinciders, or laggers in re. lation to movements in aggregate economic activity. In this report, the series on the NBER's list of cyclical indicators are classified by economic process and by cyclical timing. These indicators were selected primarily on the basis of their cyclical behavior, but they have also proven useful in forecasting, measuring, and interpreting other short-term fluctuations in aggregate economic activity.


## ANTICIPATIONS

 ANDINTENTIONS data provide information on the plans of business men and consumers regarding their major economic activities in the near future. This information is considered to be a valuable aid to economic forecasting either directly or as an indication of the state of confidence concerning the economic outlook. A number of surveys by various organizations and government agencies have been developed in recent years to ascertain anticipations and intentions. The results of some of these surveys, expressed as time series, are presented in this report.


This monthly report brings together many of the economic time series found most useful by business analysts and forecasters. Its predecessor, Business Cycle Developments, emphasized the cyclical indicators approach to the analysis of business conditions and was based largely on the list of leading, roughly coincident, and lagging indicators maintained by the National Bureau of Economic Research, Inc. Some other approaches commonly used by students of economic conditions include econometric models and anticipations and intentions data. The econometric model concept utilizes historical and mathematical relationships among consumption, private investment, government, and various components of the major aggregates to generate forecasts of gross national product and its composition. Anticipations and intentions data express the expectations of businessmen and the intentions of consumers. Most of the content of Business Cycle Developments has been retained in this new report and additional data reflecting the emphasis of other approaches have been added to make it more generally useful to those concerned with an evaluation of current business conditions and prospects.

The use of the National Bureau's list of indicators and business cycle turning dates in the cyclical indicators section of this report, as well as the use of other concepts, is not to be taken as implying endorsement by the Bureau of the Census or any other government agency of any particular approach to economic analysis. This report is intended only to provide statistical information so arranged as to facilitate the analysis of the course of the Nation's economy.

Almost all of the basic data presented in this report have been published by their source agencies. A series finding guide, as well as a complete list of series titles and data sources, is shown at the back of this report.

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# NEW FEATURES AND CHANGES <br> FOR THIS ISSUE 

## Changes in this issue are as follows:

A limited number of changes are made from time to time to incorporate recent findings of economic research, newly avail. able time series, and revisions made by source agencies in concept, composition, comparabilty, coverage, seasonal adjustment methods, benctimark data, etc. Changes may result in revisions of data, additions or deletions of series, changes in placement of series in relation to other series, changes in composition of indexes, etc.
business construction expenditures (series 69) have been carried back to January 1969 in this issue. Revised data for 1971 were published in the November issue. Revised data for the period prior to 1969 will be published in $B C D$ as they become available.
3. Revised data on U.S. money stock are shown in this issue for the period 1964-1969。 Revised figures for 1970 to date were shown in the November issue.
4. Appendix C includes historical data for series 21, 31, 50, 54, $56,71,85,102,103,820,830$, and 851.

The January issue of BUSINESS CONDITIONS DIGEST is scheduled for release on January 31.

## BUSINESS CONDITIONS DIGEST

A monthly report for analyzing economic fluctuations over a short span of years.

This report brings together approximately 600 monthly and quarterly economic time series in a form which is convenient for analysts whether their approach to the study of current business conditions and prospects is the national income model, the leading indicators, anticipations and intentions, or a combination of these. Other types of data such as foreign trade, Federal government activities, and international comparisons of consumer prices, stock prices, and industrial production are included to facilitate a more complete analysis.
Data are presented in charts and tables, and appendixes are included which provide historical data, series descrip. tions, seasonal adjustment factors, and measures of variability. Also, a computer tape containing data for most of the series in the report is available for purchase.

## DEFENSE INDICATORS

A monthly report for analyzing the current and prospective impact of defense activity on the national economy.

This report brings together the principal time series on defense activities which influence short-term changes in the national economy. These include series on obligations, contracts, orders, shipments, inventories, expenditures, employment, and earnings. The approximately 50 time series included are grouped in accordance with the time at which the activities they measure occur in the defense order-produc-tion-delivery process. Most are monthly series, although a few are quarterly. This publication provides original and seasonally adjusted basic data in monthly, quarterly, and annual form. Charts and analytical tables are included to facilitate interpretation.

## LONG TERM ECONOMIC GROWTH

A report for the study of economic fluctuations over a long span of years, 1860-1965.

This report has been developed from available statistics to provide a comprehensive, long-range view of the U.S. economy. It has been planned, prepared, and published as a basic research document for economists, historians, investors, teachers, and students. It brings together for the first time under one cover, in meaning. ful and convenient form, the complete statistical basis for a study of long-term economic trends. It is a unique presentation of the full range of factors required for an understanding of our country's economic development. Some of the statistical series go back to 1860. A computer tape file of the time series included in the report is available for purchase.

## COMPUTER PROGRAMS FOR TIME SERIES ANALYSIS

The source statements for FORTRAN IV programs which are used by the Bureau in its analysis of time series are available from 'he Bureau on a single computer tape.

## SEASONAL ADJUSTMENT

 PROGRAMS.-Two variants of the Census computer program for measuring and analyzing seasonal, trading. day, cyclical, and irregular fluctuations and the relations among them. They are particularly useful in analyzing economic fluctuations which take place within a year. The X-11 variant is used for adjusting monthly data and the $X-11 Q$ for quarterly data. These programs can make additive as well as multiplicative adjustments and compute many summary and analytical measures of the behavior of each series.
## DIFFUSION INDEX

 PROGRAM.-A computer program for computing diffusion indexes, cumulated diffusion indexes, and summary measures of the properties of each index.
## METHOD OF PRESENTATION

THIS REPORT is organized into six major subject sections, as follows:
A. National Income and Product
B. Cyclical Indicators
C. Anticipations and Intentions
D. Other Key Indicators
E. Analytical Measures
F. International Comparisons

Each of these sections is described briefly in this introduction. Data for each of the above sections are shown both in Part I (charts) and in Part 11 (tables) of the report. Most charts begin with 1950 (except in section C where they begin with 1957); the tables contain data for only the last few years. Except for section $F$, most charts contain shading which indicates periods of recession in general business activity.

In addition to the charts and tables described above, some issues contain a summary table which shows the current behavior of many of the series, and several appendixes which present historical data, series descriptions, seasonal adjustment factors, and measures of variability. An index appears at the back of each issue. It should be noted that the series numbers used are for identification purposes only and do not reflect relationships or order.

## Seasonal Adjustments

Adjustments for average seasonal fluctuations are often necessary to bring out the underlying trends of time series. Such adjustments allow for the effects of repetitive intrayear variations resulting primarily from normal differences in weather conditions and from various institutional arrangements. Variations attributable to holidays are usually accounted for by the seasonal adjustment process; however, a separate holiday adjustment is occasionally required for holidays with variable dates, such as Easter. An additional adjustment is sometimes necessary for series which contain considerable variation due to the number of working or trading days in each month. As used in this report, the term "'seasonal adjustment"' includes trading-day and holiday adjustments where they have been made.
Most of the series in this report are presented in seasonally adjusted form and, in most cases, these are the official figures released by the source agencies. However, for the special purposes of this report, a number of series not ordinarily published in seasonally adjusted form are shown here on a seasonally adjusted basis.

## MCD Moving Averages

Month-to-month changes in a series are often dominated by erratic movements. MCD (months for cyclical dominance) is an estimate of the appropriate span over which to observe cyclical movements in a monthly series. (See appendix A.) It is the smallest span of months for which the average change in the cyclical factor is greater than that in the irregular factor. The more erratic a series is, the larger the MCD will be; thus, MCD is 1 for the smoothest series and 6 for the most erratic. MCD
moving averages (that is, moving averages of the period equal to MCD) tend to have about the same degree of smoothness for all series. Thus, a 5 -term moving average of a series with an MCD of 5 will show its cyclical movements about as clearly as the seasonally adjusted data for a series with an MCD of 1 .

The charts for sections $B$ and $D$ include centered MCD moving averages for all series with an MCD greater than 4. The seasonally adjusted data are also plotted to indicate their variation about the moving averages and to provide observations for the most recent months.

## Reference Turning Dates

The historical business cycle turning dates used in this report are those designated by the National Bureau of Economic Research, Inc. (NBER). They mark the approximate dates when, according to the NBER, aggregate economic activity reached its cyclical high or low levels. As a matter of general practice, neither new reference turning dates nor the shading for recessions will be entered on the charts until after both the new reference peak and the new reference trough bounding the shaded area have been designated. This policy is followed because of the conceptual and empirical difficulties of designating a current recession and the practical difficulties of terminating the shading of a current recession without including part of a new expansion.


The national income and product accounts, compiled by the Office of Business Economics (OBE), summarize both receipts and final expenditures for the personal, business, foreign, and government sectors of the economy and provide useful measures of total economic activity. The total of the final expenditures (including additions to business inventories), which equals the total of the receipts (mainly incomes), is known as gross national product (GNP). GNP is defined as the total market value of the final output of goods and services produced by the Nation's economy. It is the most comprehensive single measure of aggregate economic output.

Gross national product consists of four major components: (1) Personal consumption expenditures, (2) gross private domestic investment, (3) net exports of goods and services, and (4) government purchases of goods and services.

Personal consumption expenditures is the market value of goods (durable and nondurable) and services purchased by individuals and nonprofit institutions and the value of food, clothing, housing, and finan-
cial services received by them as income in kind. The total purchase cost is covered, including sales taxes. Home purchases are excluded, but the estimated rental value of owner-occupied homes is included.
Gross private domestic investment combines gross fixed investment and net changes in business inventories. Fixed investment consists of producers' durable equipment and private (as opposed to government) structures, including owneroccupied residential units. The estimates are gross in the sense that there is no deduction for capital consumption. The inventory component measures the change in the physical volume of inventories valued at current replacement cost.

Net exports of goods and services measures the excess of exports over imports. Exports include receipts from domestic output sold abroad, transportation, travel, other services, fees and royalties and income on investments in foreign areas. Imports include purchases of foreign goods, payments for transportation, travel and other services, military expenditures as well as payments of income on foreign investments in the United States. More detail on U.S. balance of payments is provided in Section D.
Government purchases of goods and services includes general government expenditures for compensation of employees, net purchases from business and from abroad, payments to private nonprofit institutions for research and development, and the gross fixed investment of government enterprises. Not included are current outlays of government enterprises, acquisitions of land, transfer payments, subsidies, loans, and interest payments to domestic creditors.
A breakdown of the goods portion of GNP, covering durable and nondurable goods and both final sales and changes in business inventories, is also included in section A. Other major aggregates taken from the national income and product accounts are described below.
National income is the total earnings arising from the current production of goods and services and accruing to the labor and property employed in production. The components of national income are compensation of employees, proprietors' income, rental income of persons, corporate profits and the inventory valuation adjustment, and net interest.

Personal income measures the current income of individuals, owners of unincorporated businesses, nonprofit institutions, private trust funds, and private health and welfare funds. It consists of wage and salary disbursements, other labor income, proprietors' income, rental income of persons, dividends, personal interest income, and transfer payments to persons, less personal contributions for social insurance.
Disposable personal income is the personal income available for spending or saving. It consists of personal income less personal taxes and other nontax payments to general government.

Gross saving represents the difference between income and spending during an
accounting period. It is the total of personal saving, undistributed corporate profits, corporate inventory valuation adjustment, the excess of wage accruals over disbursements (usually negligible), government surplus or deficit, and capital consumption allowances.

Most of the series in this section are on a current-dollar basis, but some are shown on a constant (1958) dollar basis so that the effects of price changes are eliminated. The implicit price deflator (computed by dividing the current-dollar data by the con-stant-dollar data) for total GNP is also shown.


SECTION B

## CYCLICAL INDICATORS

The business cycle is generally described as consisting of alternating periods of expansion and contraction in aggregate economic activity; that is, the complex of activities represented by such concepts as total production, employment, income, consumption, trade, and the flow of funds. Although a recurrent pattern has been characteristic of American economic history, many economists do not consider it inevitable.
One of the techniques developed in business cycle research is widely used as a
tool for analyzing current economic conditions and prospects. This is the cyclical indicators concept, which singles out certain economic time series as being leaders, coinciders, or laggers in relation to movements in aggregate economic activity. The NBER has, since 1938, maintained a list of such indicators and has periodically subjected the list to extensive review. Their most recent (1966) list of 73 cyclical indicators is the basis for this section of BCD. These indicators were selected primarily for their cyclical behavior, but they have also proven useful in forecasting, measuring, and interpreting other short-term fluctuations in aggregate economic activity.

The NBER employs a dual classification scheme which groups the indicators by cyclical timing and by economic process, and this report uses the same classification groupings. The diagram below summarizes the cross-classification system used in this section. The 73 cyclical indicators are presented with economic process as the principal basis of classification and cyclical timing as the secondary basis. The major processes are divided into minor processes which exhibit rather distinct differences in cyclical timing. The timing classification takes into account a series' historical record of timing at business cycle peaks and troughs. Leading indicators are those which usually reach peaks or troughs before the corresponding turns in aggregate economic activity; roughly coincident indicators are direct measures of aggregate economic activity or move roughly together with it; lagging indicators usually reach their turning points after the turns in aggregate economic activity.

The NBER has also specified a "short list" of indicators. This more selective and substantially unduplicated group of principal indicators is drawn from the full list and provides a convenient summary of the current situation. The short list consists of 26 series: 12 leading, eight roughly coincident, and six lagging. Only five of these are quarterly series; the rest are monthly. The short list is classified only by timing and is shown separately in chart B8.

Included in this section are a number of composite indexes which provide simple summary measures of the average behavior of selected groups of indicators. Each component of an index is weighted according to its value in forecasting or identifying short-term movements in aggregate economic activity. The components are standardized so that each has, aside from its weight, an equal opportunity to influence the index. Each index is standardized so that its average month-to-month percent change is 1 (without regard to sign).

The composite indexes presented in this report are based on groups of indicators selected by timing. Thus, there is an index of leading indicators, another of coincident indicators, and a third of lagging indicators. In addition, there are five indexes based on leading indicators which have been grouped by economic process. These indexes indicate the underlying cyclical trends of each group of indicators and the relative magnitude of their short-term changes. The index of 12 leading indicators has been "reverse trend adjusted" so that its long-run trend parallels that of the coincident index. This facilitates

## Cross-Classification of Cyclical Indicators by

 Economic Process and Cyclical Timing|  | I. EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT (14 series) | II. PRODUCTION, INCOME, CONSUMPTION, AND TRADE (8 series) | III. FIXED CAPITAL INVESTMENT (14 series) | IV. INVENTORIES AND INVENTORY INVESTMENT (9 series) | V. PRICES, COSTS, AND PROFITS (10 series) | VI. MONEY AND CREDIT (18 series) |
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| LEADING INDICATORS <br> (37 series) | Marginal employment adjastments ( 5 series) |  | Formation of business enterprises (2 series) <br> New investment commitments (8 series) | Ioventory investment and purchasing (7 series) | Sensitive commodity prices <br> ( 1 series) <br> Stock prices <br> ( 1 series) <br> Profits and profit margins (4 series) | Flows of money and credit (7) series) Credit difficutties (2 series) |
| ROUGHLY COINCIDENT INDICATORS (25 series) | Job vacancies (2 saries) Comprehensive employment (a series) Comprehensive unemployment (a series) | Comprehensive production (3 series) Comprehenstue income (2 saries) Comprehensive consumption and trade (3 series) | Backlog of investinent commitments (2 series) |  | Comprehensive wholesale prices (2 series) | Bank reserves (1 series) <br> Money market interest rates <br> (4 series) |
| LAGGING INDICATORS (11 series) | Long-duration unemployment (1 seres) |  | Investmant expenditures (2 series) | Inventories (2 series) | Unit labor costs (2 series) | Outstanding debt (2 series) Interest rates on business loans and nortgages (2 serfes) |

comparisons among the leading, coincident, and lagging indexes and tends to shorten the leads of the leading index at business cycle peaks while lengthening them at troughs; it also reduces the variability of the leads and lags.


Most businessmen and many individual consumers have some type of plans as to their major economic activities in the near future. Information on these plans is regarded as a valuable aid to economic forecasting either directly or as an indication of the state of confidence concerning the economic outlook. In recent years, much progress has been made in compiling such information, and a number of surveys by various organizations and government agencies ascertain anticipations and intentions of businessmen and consumers. The results of some of these surveys, expressed as time series, are presented in this section of the report.

The business analyst who uses these series should be aware of their limitations. These data reflect only the respondents' anticipations (what they expect others to do) or intentions (what they plan to do), not firm commitments. Among both businessmen and consumers, some responses may not be very reliable; that is, the plans may be conjectural or the respondent may make little effort to reply accurately to the survey questions. Also, many plans are subject to modification or even complete abandonment due to unforeseen and uncontrollable developments. In some cases, the anticipations (or intentions) may have a systematic bias; for example, the anticipations (or intentions) data may tend to be lower than the subsequent actual data under certain economic conditions and higher under other conditions. Sometimes they merely project what has already occurred and hence appear to lag behind actual changes. Actual data are included in this section to indicate their historical relationship to the anticipations and intentions. Some of the series are diffusion indexes, a concept explained in the description for section $E$.


Many economic series are available which, although not included in the three main sections of the report, are nevertheless important for an overall view of the economy. This section presents a number of such series, though by no means a com-
prehensive selection. In general, these series reflect processes which are not direct measures of economic activity but which do have a significant bearing on business conditions.

The foreign trade and payments series include data on imports and exports and their balance, export orders, and the balance of payments. Many of the components of the balance-of-payments accounts are shown. Some are charted in a manner which emphasizes the balance between receipts and expenditures for each component; for example, comparisons of exports of goods and services with imports of goods and services, and income on U.S. investments abroad with payments on foreign investments in the United States. In addition, balances are shown for U.S. Government grants and capital transactions and for capital transactions of the private sector (banks and U.S. residents other than banks). Finally, cumulative changes are shown for other components; for example, U.S. liquid liabilities to all foreigners and U.S. official reserve assets. Because these data are influenced by foreign as well as domestic conditions, the cyclical shading has been omitted from the balance-of-payments charts.

The Federal Government activities series include Federal receipts and expenditures and their balance, and selected Federal defense activities. The receipts and expenditures data are from the national income and product accounts, but are not shown in section A of this report. The defense series included are only a few of the many available. For a more comprehensive picture of defense activities, see Defense Indicators, a monthly Bureau of the Census publication.

The price movements series consist of consumer and wholesale price indexes and their major components. Additional data on prices and costs are shown in several other sections.


This section begins by comparing gross national product in constant dollars with a measure of potential GNP. In effect, these two series reflect the relationship between the economy's productive capacity and total demand, the excess of potential over actual GNP indicating the degree to which potentially productive resources are not fully utilized. The measure of potential GNP, developed by the Council of Economic Advisers in the early 1960's, takes into account increases in both available man-hours and output per man-hour.

The NBER list of cyclical indicators includes some series which measure the relationship between different economic variables (for example, the series on labor cost
per unit of output). There are, however, additional analytical ratios which have proven useful in evaluating business conditions and prospects. A number of such ratios are shown in the second part of this section.

The third part presents a selection of diffusion indexes. Many series in this report are aggregates compiled from a number of components. A diffusion index is a summary measure expressing, for a particular aggregate, the percentage of components rising over a given timespan (half of the unchanged components are considered rising). Cyclical changes in diffusion indexes tend to lead those of the corresponding aggregates. Since diffusion indexes are highly erratic, long-term (6- or 9 -month span) indexes are used to indicate underlying trends and short-term (1month span) indexes are used to show recent developments. Most of the indexes are constructed from components of series shown in section B, and these indexes have the same identification numbers as the corresponding aggregates. The diffusion indexes are classified by the cyclical timing of the aggregates to which they relate. Recent data and directions of change for many of the components are shown in table E4.

The final part (E5) presents, in chart form, rates of change for a selected group of economic series. Percent changes are shown for 1- and 3-month spans or for 1 -quarter spans.


Because this report is designed as an aid to the analysis of U.S. business conditions, all previous sections are based on data which relate directly to that purpose. But many business analysts examine economic developments in other important countries with a view to their impact on the United States. This section is provided to facilitate a quick review of basic economic conditions in six of the nations with which we have important trade relationships.

Data on consumer prices, industrial production, and stock prices are shown for Canada, the United Kingdom, France, West Germany, Japan, and Italy and are compared with the corresponding U.S. series. Also included is an industrial production index for the European countries in the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development. The industrial production series provide a comprehensive measure of output and the consumer price indexes measure an important sector of prices, while stock prices tend to be important as leading indicators. In this section, the U.S. business cycle shading has been omitted from the charts.

## HOW TO READ CHARTS

Peak (P) of cycle indicates end of expansion and beginning of Recession (shaded areas) as designated by NBER.

Series numbers are for identification only and do not reflect series relationships or order.

Solid line indicates monthly data. (Data may be actual monthly figures or MCD moving averages.*)

Broken line indicates actual monthly data for series where an MCD moving average* is plotted.

Parallel lines indicate a break in continuity (data not available, changes in series definitions, extreme values, etc.).

Solid line with plotting points indicates quarterly data.


Scale shows percent of components rising.

Arabic number indicates latest month for which data are used in computing the indexes. (" 6 " $=$ June)

Roman number indicates latest quarter for which data are used in computing the indexes. ("I" = first quarter)

Broken line with plotting points indicates quarterly data over various spans.

NOTE: Some of the charts of anticipations and intentions data (section C) and balance of payments data (section D) do not conform to the above method of presentation. Deviations are adequately explained as they occur.

## HOW TO LOCATE A SERIES

To locate a series in BCD, consult the "Index-Series Finding Guide" in the back of the book where series are arranged into six sections and various subsections. Also, in the list of "Titles and Sources of Series" which follows the Finding Guide, series are listed in numerical order within each of the six sections, and the charts and tables in which they appear are indicated.

Table 1. Summary of Recent Data and Current Changes for Principal Indicators


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\hline \multicolumn{15}{|l|}{| B. CYCLICAL INDICATORS |
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| B7. Composite Indekes |} <br>

\hline 810. 12 leading indicators, reverse trend adj. ${ }^{3}$. \& 1967=100...... \& 117.3 \& 115.0 \& 120.1 \& 124.6 \& 126.7 \& 126.9 \& 128.3 \& 128.5 \& 1.1 \& 0.2 \& 3.7 \& 1.7 \& 810 <br>
\hline 820. 5 coincident indicators . . \& ..... do \& 119.6 \& 120.3 \& 121.3 \& 123.9 \& 124.4 \& 125.2 \& 125.2 \& 126.0 \& 0.0 \& 0.6 \& 2.1 \& 0.4 \& 820 <br>
\hline 830. 6 lagging indicators ... \& do \& 124.0 \& 130.9 \& 125.0 \& 123.9 \& 125.6 \& 126.5 \& 126.5 \& 126.4 \& 0.0 \& -0.1 \& -0.9 \& 1.4 \& 830 <br>
\hline \multicolumn{15}{|l|}{LEADING INDICATOR SECTORS} <br>
\hline 813. Marginal employment adjustments ....... \& ...... do ..... \& 102.9 \& 93.2 \& 93.6 \& 94.0 \& 92.8 \& 92.0 \& 92.7 \& NA \& 0.8 \& NA \& 0.4 \& -1.3 \& 813 <br>
\hline 814. Capital investment commitments ....... \& do \& 110.0 \& 106.5 \& 109.2 \& 111.0 \& 113.0 \& 112.3 \& 114.2 \& 113.9 \& 1.7 \& -0.3 \& 1.6 \& 1.8 \& 814 <br>
\hline 815. Inventory investment and purchasing . . . \& do \& 104.2 \& 103.2 \& 102.6 \& 102.3 \& 101.9 \& 101.2 \& 100.9 \& 101.7 \& -0.3 \& 0.8 \& -0.3 \& -0.4 \& 815 <br>
\hline 816. Profitability. . . . . . . . . . \& do \& 100.7 \& 94.1 \& 96.7 \& 100.0 \& 99.3 \& 99.4 \& 98.6 \& 97.5 \& -0.8 \& -1.1 \& 3.4 \& -0.7 \& 816 <br>
\hline 817. Sensitive financial flows. . . . . . . . . . . . \& ..... do ..... \& 103.7 \& 98.4 \& 101.2 \& 106.5 \& 109.3 \& 108.3 \& 104.7 \& NA \& -3.3 \& NA \& 5.2 \& 2.6 \& 817 <br>
\hline B1. Empleyment and Unemployment \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& <br>

\hline \multicolumn{15}{|l|}{| LEADING indicators |
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| Marginal Employment Adjustments: |} <br>

\hline -1. Average workweek, prod. workers, mfg. . . \& Hours. . . . . . . . \& 40.6 \& 39.8 \& 39.8 \& 39.9 \& 39.8 \& 39.5 \& 39.8 \& 40.1 \& 0.8 \& 0.8 \& 0.3 \& -0.3 \& 1 <br>
\hline 21. Avg. weekly overtime hours, production workers, manufacturing ${ }^{2}$ \& do \& 3.6 \& 3.0 \& 2.8 \& 2.9 \& 2.9 \& 2.8 \& 3.0 \& 2.9 \& 0.2 \& -0.1 \& 0.1 \& 0.0 \& 21 <br>
\hline 2. Accession rate, manufacturing $2 . . . . . .$. \& Per 100 employ.. \& 4.7 \& 4.0 \& 3.8 \& 3.8 \& 3.9 \& 3.9 \& 3.7 \& NA \& -0.2 \& NA \& 0.0 \& 0.1 \& 2 <br>
\hline *5. Avg. weekly initial claims, State unemployment insurance (inverted ${ }^{4}$ ) ... \& Thousands ..... \& 194 \& 296 \& 284 \& 290 \& 308 \& 324 \& 310 \& 301 \& $4 \cdot 3$ \& 2.9 \& -2.1 \& -6.2 \& 5 <br>
\hline 3. Layoff rate, manufacturing (inverted ${ }^{4}$ ) ${ }^{2}$. \& Per 100 employ.. \& 1.2 \& 1.8 \& 1.6 \& 1.5 \& 1.7 \& 1.7 \& 1.5 \& NA \& 0.2 \& NA \& 0.1 \& -0.2 \& 3 <br>
\hline \multicolumn{15}{|l|}{ROUGHLY COINCIDENT INDICATORS Job Vacancies:} <br>
\hline 46. Help-wanted advertising . . . . . . . . . . . . . \& 1967=100 ...... \& 122 \& 93 \& 77 \& 80 \& 83 \& 80 \& 80 \& 80 \& 0.0 \& 0.0 \& 3.9 \& 3.8 \& 46 <br>

\hline \multicolumn{15}{|l|}{| Comprehensive Employment: |
| :--- |
| 48. Man-hours in nonagricultural |
| Ann, rate, billion |} <br>

\hline *41. Employees on nonagri, payrolls........ \& Millions ....... \& 70.3 \& 70.6 \& 70.4 \& 70.7 \& 70.6 \& 70.9 \& 70.8 \& 70.9 \& -0.1 \& 0.1 \& 0.4 \& -0.1 \& 41 <br>
\hline 42. Persons engaged in nonagri. activities. .. \& ..... do ..... \& 74.3 \& 75.2 \& 75.2 \& 75.3 \& 75.8 \& 76.2 \& 76.5 \& 76.6 \& 0.4 \& 0.1 \& 0.1 \& 0.7 \& 42 <br>

\hline | Comprehensive Unemployment: |
| :--- |
| *43. Unemployment rate, total (inverted $\left.{ }^{4}\right)^{2} \ldots$ | \& Percent ....... \& 3.5 \& 5.0 \& 5.9 \& 6.0 \& 6.0 \& 6.0 \& 5.8 \& 6.0 \& 0.2 \& -0.2 \& -0.1 \& 0.0 \& 43 <br>

\hline 45. Avg. weekly insured unemployment rate (inverted ${ }^{4}$ ) ${ }^{2}$. \& . do \& 2.1 \& 3.5 \& 3.7 \& 4.2 \& 4.2 \& 4.6 \& 4.4 \& 4.1 \& 0.2 \& 0.3 \& -0.5 \& 0.0 \& 45 <br>
\hline 40. Unemployment rate, married males (inverted ${ }^{4}$ ) ${ }^{2}$ \& . do ..... \& 1.5 \& 2.6 \& 3.2 \& 3.2 \& 3.2 \& 3.3 \& 3.0 \& 3.4 \& 0.3 \& -0.4 \& 0.0 \& 0.0 \& 40 <br>
\hline \multicolumn{15}{|l|}{LAGGING INDICATORS Long Duration Unemployment:} <br>
\hline *44. Unemployment rate, 15 weeks and over (inverted $\left.{ }^{4}\right)^{2}$ \& do \& 0.5 \& 0.8 \& 1.3 \& $1 \cdot 4$ \& 1.5 \& 1.5 \& 1.5 \& 1.5 \& 0.0 \& 0.0 \& -0.1 \& -0.1 \& 44 <br>
\hline B2. Production, Income, Consumption, and Trade \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& <br>
\hline \multicolumn{15}{|l|}{ROUGHLY COINCIDENT INDICATORS Comprehensive Production:} <br>
\hline *200. GNP in current dollars . . . . . . . . . . . . \& Ann,rate, bil.dol. . \& 929.1 \& 974.1 \& 1020.8 \& 1043.1 \& 1060.8 \& - 0 \& $\cdots$ \& -•* \& -•• \& -•• \& 2.2 \& 1.7 \& 200 <br>
\hline *205. GNP in 1958 dollars. . . . . . . . . . . . . . \& ..... do ..... \& 724.7 \& 720.0 \& 729.7 \& 738.4 \& 745.5 \& \& \& \& - 0 \& -. \& 1.2 \& 1.0 \& 205 <br>
\hline *47. Industrial production. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . \& 1967=100...... \& 110.7 \& 106.7 \& 105.5 \& 106.8 \& 105.9 \& 106.2 \& 106.2 \& 107.0 \& 0.0 \& 0.8 \& 1.2 \& -0.8 \& 47 <br>

\hline | Comprehensive Income: |
| :--- |
| *52. Personal income. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | \& Ann.rate,bil.dol. . \& 750.3 \& 803.6 \& 834.3 \& 854.8 \& 866.1 \& 871.5 \& 872.5 \& 876.0 \& 0.1 \& 0.4 \& 2.5 \& 1.3 \& 52 <br>

\hline 53. Wages, salaries in mining, mfg., constr . . \& ..... do ..... \& 194.4 \& 197.6 \& 199.8 \& 203.2 \& 203.4 \& 204.5 \& 205.3 \& 206.3 \& 0.4 \& 0.5 \& 1.7 \& 0.1 \& 53 <br>
\hline \multicolumn{15}{|l|}{Comprehensive Consumption and Trade:} <br>
\hline 57. Final sales ........................ \& .... do ..... \& 921.7 \& 971.3 \& 1017.6 \& 1037.4 \& 1059.7 \& -•• \& -•• \& $\cdots$ \& -•• \& $\cdots$ \& 1.9 \& 2.1 \& 57 <br>
\hline *54. Sales of retail stores . . . . . . . . . . . . . \& . . do ..... \& 357.6 \& 375.1 \& 393.7 \& 403.6 \& 414.2 \& 422.6 \& 418.2 \& NA \& -1.0 \& NA \& 2.5 \& 2.6 \& 54 <br>
\hline B3. Fixed Capital Investment \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& <br>
\hline \multicolumn{15}{|l|}{} <br>
\hline *12. Index of net business formation........ \& 1967=100 ..... \& 116.2 \& 108.1 \& 106.9 \& 110.3 \& 112.2 \& 111.7 \& 114.0 \& NA \& $2 \cdot 1$ \& NA \& 3.2 \& 1.7 \& 12 <br>
\hline 13. New business incorporations......... \& Ann, rate, thous. \& 274.0 \& 266.0 \& 265.9 \& 286.5 \& 294.0 \& 279.3 \& 299.2 \& NA \& $7 \cdot 1$ \& NA \& 7.7 \& 2.6 \& 13 <br>
\hline \multicolumn{15}{|l|}{New Investment Commitments:} <br>
\hline 8. Construction contracts, total value ..... \& 1967=100 ..... \& 125 \& 126 \& 128 \& 150 \& 153 \& 154 \& 137 \& 155 \& -11.0 \& 13.1 \& 17.2 \& 2.0 \& 8 <br>
\hline -10. Contracts and orders, plant, equipment. .. \& Ann.rate, bil.dol. . \& 90.3 \& 87.0 \& 94.8 \& 93.6 \& 95.1 \& 94.9 \& 93.6 \& 96.4 \& -1.4 \& 3.0 \& -1.3 \& 1.0 \& 10 <br>
\hline 11. New capital appropriations, manufacturing \& ..... do ..... \& 29.6 \& 25.4 \& 23.0 \& 21.8 \& 24.4 \& \& 7 \& \& -•• \& -.. \& -5.2 \& 11.9 \& 11 <br>
\hline 24. New orders, producers' cap. goods indus - \& ..... do ..... \& 72.9 \& 69.5 \& 77.1 \& 72.4 \& 76.5 \& 77.0 \& 81.7 \& 77.8 \& 6.1 \& -4.8 \& -6.1 \& 5.7 \& 24 <br>
\hline 9. Construction contracts, commercial and industrial buildings. \& Ann.rate,mil.sq. ft.floor space .. \& 905 \& 766 \& 679 \& 724 \& 745 \& 849 \& 741 \& 824 \& -12.7 \& 11.2 \& 6.6 \& 2.9 \& 9 <br>
\hline 28. New private housing units started, total.. \& \& 1,486 \& 1.457 \& 1.813 \& 1.962 \& 21163 \& 2.002 \& 2,008 \& 2,316 \& 0.3 \& 15.3 \& 8.2 \& 10.2 \& 28 <br>

\hline *29. New bldg. permits, private housing. ..... \& $$
1967=100 \ldots \ldots
$$ \& 116.1 \& 118.3 \& 141.0 \& 158.2 \& 174.0 \& 166.5 \& 190.4 \& 171.9 \& 14.4 \& -9.7 \& 12.2 \& 10.0 \& 29 <br>

\hline ROUGHLY COINCIDENT INDICATORS Backlog of Investment Commitments: \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& \& <br>
\hline 96. Unfilled orders, durable goods industries ${ }^{5}$ \& Bil. dol., EOP... \& 84.38 \& 77.48 \& 79.06 \& 74.75 \& 74.36 \& 74.36 \& 74.32 \& 74.72 \& -0.1 \& 0.5 \& -5.5 \& -0.5 \& 96 <br>
\hline 97. Backlog of capital approp., mfg. ${ }^{5}$. . . . . . \& ..... do ..... \& 23.54 \& 21.06 \& 20.52 \& 19.73 \& 19.68 \& -* \& ... \& .... \& -•• \& $\bullet \cdot$ \& -3.8 \& -0.3 \& 97 <br>
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Table 1. Summary of Recent Data and Current Changes for Principal Indicators-Con.

| Series title |  | Basic datal ${ }^{1}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Percent change |  |  |  |  |
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|  |  | 1969 | 1970 | $15 t$ 1971 | 2 d 1971 | 3d 0 1971 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { sept. } \\ & 1971 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Oct. } \\ & 1971 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Nov. } \\ & 1971 \end{aligned}$ | Sept. to Oct. 1971 | Oct. to Nov. 1971 | $\begin{gathered} 1 \text { st Q } \\ \text { to } \\ 2 \mathrm{~d} Q \\ 1971 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2 d Q \\ \text { to } \\ 3 \mathrm{~d} Q \\ 1971 \end{gathered}$ |  |
| B. CYCLICAL INDICATORS-Con. <br> B3. Fixed Capital Investment-Con. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| LAGGING INDICATORS Investment Expenditures: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 61. Business expend., new plant and equip . . <br> 69. Machinery and equipment sales and | Ann.rate, bil.dol. . | 75.54 | 79.74 | 79.32 | 81.61 | 80.75 | - | -•• | * $\cdot$ | -•• | -* | 2.9 | -1.1 | 61 |
| business construction expenditures.... | . . . do....... | 86.23 | 87.52 | 89.97 | 91.45 | 95.01 | 96.12 | 95.36 | NA | -0.8 | NA | 1.6 | 3.9 | 69 |
| B4. Inventories and Inventory Investment |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| LEADING INDICATORS Inventory Investment and Purchasing: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 245. Change in business inventories, all industries ${ }^{2}$. | Ann. rate, billion dollars | 7.4 | 2.8 | 3.2 | $5 \cdot 7$ | 1.1 |  | -•• |  |  |  | 2.5 | -4.6 | 245 |
| *31. Change in book value, manufacturing and trade inventories ${ }^{2}$ | .......dio....... | 11.2 | 7.2 | 7.6 | 7.5 | 6.1 | $\cdots$ | -1.7 | $\cdots$ | -3. | $\cdots$ | -0.1 | -4.6 -1.4 | 245 31 |
| 37. Purchased materials, percent reporting higher inventories ${ }^{2}$. | Percent. | 50 | 46 | 49 | 57 | 50 | 21 41 | 39 | 42 | -2 | N 3 | 8 | -7 | 37 |
| 20. Change in book value, manufacturers' inventories of materials, supolies ${ }^{2}$. | Ann. rate, billion dollars |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 4.9 | NA | 4.2 | -5.0 | 30 |
| inventories of materials, supplies ${ }^{2}$. <br> 26. Buyying policy, production materials. | dollars | 1.8 | 0.8 | -0.8 | 3.4 | -1.6 | -4.6 | 0.3 | NA | 4.9 | NA | 4.2 | -5.0 | 20 |
| 2. commitments 60 days or longer ${ }^{2}$ (1).... | Percent. . . . . . . | 63 | 55 | 56 | 57 | 55 | 52 | 51 | 50 | -1 | -1 | 1 | -2 | 26 |
| 32. Vendor performance, percent reporting slower deliveries ${ }^{2}$ | ....... do...... | 65 | 51 | 43 | 52 | 48 | 48 | 50 | 48 | 2 | -2 | 9 | -4 | 32 |
| 25. Change in unfilled orders, durable goods industries ${ }^{2}$. | Ann. rate, billion dollars $\qquad$ | 1.6 | -6.9 | 6.3 | -17.2 | -1.5 | -6.2 | -0.5 | 4.8 | 5.7 | 5.3 | -23.5 | 15.7 | 25 |
| LAGGING INDICATORS Inventories: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| *71. Book value, mfg. and trade inventories ${ }^{5}$. . <br> 65. Book value, manufacturers' inventories | Bil. dol., EOP... | 166.4 | 173.6 | 175.5 | 177.4 | 178.9 | 178.9 | 179.4 | NA | 0.3 | NA | 1.1 | 0.8 | 71 |
| of finished goods ${ }^{5}$ | . do. | 31.31 | 34.11 | 34.71 | 34.31 | 34.21 | 34.21 | 34.63 | NA | $1 \cdot 2$ | NA | -1.2 | -0.3 | 65 |
| B5. Prices, Costs, and Profits |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| LEADING INDICATORS Sensitive Commodity Prices: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| *23. Industrial materials prices (1). ......... | 1967-100 . . . . . | 111.3 | 113.9 | 107.0 | 108.3 | 106.1 | 107.5 | 107.4 | 106.9 | -0.1 | -0.5 | 1.2 | $-2.0$ | 23 |
| Stock Prices: <br> *19. Stock prices, 500 common stocks (1) . . . . | 1941-43=10..... | 97.8 | 83.2 | 96.7 | 101.5 | 98.6 | 99.4 | 97.3 | 92.8 | -2.1 | -4.6 | 5.0 | -2.9 | 19 |
| Profits and Profit Margins: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 16. Corporate prolits, after taxes ........ | Ann.rate,bil.dol. . | 44.5 | 41.2 | 42.9 | 46.0 | 45.2 | - | -• | * * | -•* | -•• | 7.2 | $-1.7$ | 16 |
| 22. Ratio, profits to income originating, corporate, all industries ${ }^{2}$ | Percent | 9.4 | 8.4 | 8.4 | 8.6 | 8.6 | $\ldots$ | ... | ... | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 0.2 | 0.0 | 22 |
| 15. Profits (after taxes) per dol. of sales, mfg. ${ }^{2}$ | Cents ........ | 4.8 | 4.0 | 4.0 | 4.4 | 4.3 | * ${ }^{\circ}$ | -•• | -•• | - $\cdot$ | $\cdots$ | 0.4 | -0.1 | 15 |
| *17. Ratio, price to unit labor cost, mfg...... | 1967=100 ..... | 99.2 | 97.0 | 96.1 | 97.4 | 97.3 | 97.1 | 96.9 | 97.1 | -0.2 | 0.2 | 1.4 | -0.1 | 17 |
| ROUGHLY COINCIDENT INDICATORS Comprehensive Wholesale Prices: <br> 55. Wholesale prices, indus, commodities (1) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 55. Wholesale prices, indus. commodities ©. 58. Wholesale prices, manufactured goods (b). | 1967-100....... | 106.0 | 110.0 | 112.5 112.3 | 113.6 113.4 | 114.9 | 115.0 | 115.0 | 114.9 | 0.0 | -0.1 | 1.0 | 1.1 | 55 |
| 58. Wholesale prices, manufactured goods (1). | ....... do....... | 106.2 | 110.2 | 112.3 | 113.4 | 114.7 | 114.7 | 114.5 | 114.5 | -0.2 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 1.1 | 58 |
| LAGGING INDICATORS Unit Labor Costs: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 68. Labor cost per unit of gross product, monfinancial corporations | Dollars ........ | 0.768 | 0.810 | 0.824 | 0.829 | 0.832 | $\cdots$ |  | . |  |  | 0.6 | 0.4 | 68 |
| *62. Labor cost per unit of output, mfg....... | 1967=100 ..... | 107.2 | 113.6 | 116.8 | 116.5 | 117.8 | 118.1 | 118.2 | 117.9 | 0.1 | -0.3 | -0.3 | 1.1 | 62 |
| B6. Money ond Credit |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| LEADING INDICATORS Flows of Money and Credit: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 85. Change in money supply(M1) ${ }^{2}$......... | Ann. rate, percent. | 3.2 | 5.3 | 9.1 | 10.5 | 3.7 | -2.1 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 2.6 | -0.5 | 1.4 | -6.8 | 85 |
| 102. Change in money supply plus time deposits at comm, banks (M2) | .do....... | 2.3 | 7.8 | 17.8 | 12.2 | 4.4 | 2.9 | 7.1 | 6.6 | $4 \cdot 2$ | -0.5 | -5.6 | -7.8 | 102 |
| 103. Change in money sup, plus time dep, at banks and nonbank inst. (M3) | .......do...... | 2.7 | 7.5 | 18.7 | 14.5 | 7.4 | 5.8 | 9.1 | 8.5 | 3.3 | -0.6 | -4.2 | -7.1 | 103 |
| 33. Change in mortgage debt ${ }^{2}$. $\ldots$.......... | Ann.rate, bil.dol. . | 20.0 | 19.8 | 24.6 | 35.2 | 43.8 | 41.2 | 38.5 | NA | -2.7 | NA | 10.6 | 8.6 | 33 |
| *113. Change in consumer instaliment debt ${ }^{2} \ldots$ | . .......do....... | 8.1 | 2.8 | 2.7 | 6.7 | 10.4 | 12.0 | 11.1 | NA | -0.9 | NA | 4.0 | 3.7 | 113 |
| 112. Change in business loans ${ }^{2}$. . . . . . . . . | do....... | 11.2 | 0.2 | 1.3 | 0.3 | 9.9 | 20.6 | -8.3 | -1.0 | -28.9 | 7.3 | -1.0 | 9.6 | 112 |
| 110. Total private borrowing. . . . . . . . . . . . . | . $10 . . . . .$. | 93.9 | 84.8 | 114.0 | 128.0 | 142.3 | -•• | -• | -•• | -•• | -•• | 12.3 | 11.2 | 110 |
| Credit Difficulties: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 14. Liabilities of business failures (inv.4) (1) | do...... | 1.14 | 1.89 | 2.18 | 2.28 | 1.67 | 1.39 | 1.74 | 1.55 | -25.2 | 10.9 | -4.6 | 26.8 | 14 |
| 39. Delinquency rate, installiment loans $(\text { inverted })^{2}{ }^{5}$ $\qquad$ | Percent, EOP. . . . | 1.76 | 1.90 | 1.80 | 1.81 | 1.76 | 1.76 | 1.98 | NA | -0.22 | NA | -0.01 | 0.05 | 39 |
| ROUGHLY COINCIDENT INDICATORS Bank Reserves: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 93. Free reserves (invertedt) ${ }^{2}$ (1)......... | Million dollars... | -871 | -616 | $-113$ | -116 | -520 | -295 | -153 | -149 | -142 | -4 | 3 | 404 | 93 |
| Money Market Interest Rates: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 114. Treasury bill rate ${ }^{2}$ (1).............. | Percent........ | 6.69 | 6.44 | 3.80́ | 4.21 | 5.05 | 4.67 | 4.49 | 4.19 | -0.18 | -0.30 | 0.35 | 0.84 | 114 |
| 116. Corporate bond yields ${ }^{2}$ (1)............. | ...... do...... | 8.06 | 9.05 | 7.60 | 8.05 | 8.09 | 7.90 5.50 | 7.72 | 7.67 | -0.18 | -0.05 | 0.45 | 0.04 | 116 |
| 115. Treasury bond yields ${ }^{2}$ (1)............. | ...... do. do...... | 6.12 5.72 | 6.58 6.35 | 5.82 5.25 | 5.88 5.74 | 5.75 5.75 | 5.56 5.37 | 5.46 5.06 | 5.48 5.20 | -0.10 | 0.02 | 0.06 | -0.13 | 115 |
| 117. Municipal bond yields ${ }^{2}$ (1). . . . . . . . . . . | ...do...... ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 5.72 | 6.35 | 5.25 | 5.74 | 5.75 | 5.37 | 5.06 | 5.20 | -0.31 | 0.14 | 0.49 | 0.01 | 117 |

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| Series title | Unit of measure | Basic data ${ }^{1}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Percent change |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \stackrel{\rightharpoonup}{\mathbf{D}} \\ & \text { E } \\ & \stackrel{\rightharpoonup}{E} \\ & \stackrel{\leftrightarrow}{\omega} \\ & \stackrel{0}{0} \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 1969 | 1970 | $15 t$ 1971 | $2 d$ 1971 | 3 d 0 1971 | Sept. 1971 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Oct. } \\ & 1971 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Nov. } \\ & 1971 \end{aligned}$ | Sept. to Oct. 1971 | Oct. to Nov. 1971 | $\begin{gathered} 1 \text { st } Q \\ \text { to } \\ 2 \mathrm{~d} Q \\ 1971 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2 \mathrm{~d} Q \\ \text { to } \\ 3 \mathrm{~d} Q \\ 1971 \end{gathered}$ |  |
| B. CYCLICAL INDICATORS-Con. B6. Money and Credits-Con. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| LAGGING INDICATORS <br> Outstanding Debt: <br> 66. Consumer installment debt5 <br> *72. Com. and industrial loans oulstanding ${ }^{5}$... | Bil. dol., EOP. . . . . do . . . | 96.2 83.4 | 99.0 83.6 | 99.7 83.9 | 101.4 84.0 | 104.0 86.4 | 104.0 86.4 | 104.9 85.7 | NA 85.7 | 0.9 -0.8 | NA 0.0 | 1.7 0.1 | 2.6 2.9 | 66 72 |
| Interest Rates on Business Loans and Mortgages: *7. Bank rates on short-term bus. loans ${ }^{2}$ (1). . . 118. Mortgage yields, residential ${ }^{2}$ @ $\ldots .$. ... | Percent . . . do | 8.21 8.29 | 8.48 9.03 | 6.59 $N A$ | 6.01 7.67 | 6.51 7.91 | 7.84 | 7.75 | 7.62 | -0.09 | -0.13 | -0.58 NA | 0.50 0.24 | 67 118 |
| D. OTHER KEY INDICATORS D1. Foreign Trade |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 500. Merchandise trade balance ${ }^{2}$. . . . . . . . . . . | Ann. rate,bil.dol. . | 1.3 | 2.8 | 1.7 | -3.2 | -1.2 | 3.2 | -9.9 | -2.7 | -13.1 | 7.2 | -4.9 | 2.0 | 500 |
| 502. Exports, excluding military aid . . . . . . . . <br> 506. Export orders, durable goods except motor vehicles. <br> 508. Export orders, nonelectrical machinery. . . . <br> 512. General imports | . do ..... | 37.3 | 42.7 | 45.0 | 43.9 | 46.7 | 54.1 | 32.5 | 37.9 | -39.9 | 16.6 | -2.4 | 6.4 | 502 |
|  | $\cdots \mathrm{Cl}$ do | 14.7 | 17.2 | 17.8 | 16.7 | 17.3 | 18.9 | 17.9 | NA | -5.3 | NA | -6.2 | 3.6 | 506 |
|  | 1957-59=100... | 254 | 253 | 224 | 248 | 253 | 249 | 252 | NA | 1.2 | NA | 10.7 | 2.0 | 508 |
|  | Ann.rate, bil.dol. . | 36.0 | 39.9 | 43.2 | 47.1 | 47.9 | 50.9 | 42.4 | 40.6 | -16.7 | -4.2 | 9.0 | 1.7 | 512 |
| 512. General imports $\qquad$ <br> D2. U.S. Balance of Payments |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 250. Balance on goods and services. . . . . . . . . | . . . . . do ..... | 2.0 | 3.6 | 4.7 | 0.1 | -0.0 | - | *** | ** | - | ** | -4.6 | -0.1 | 250 |
| 515. Balance on goods, services, and remittances | . . . . do do | 0.7 | 2.2 | 3.3 | -1.3 | -1.6 | ... | ... | ... | - . | . . | -4.6 | -0.3 | 515 |
| 517. Balance on current account ............. | . do | -0.9 | 0.4 | 1.6 | -3.2 | -3.7 | . . . | $\cdots$ | - | ** | -* | -4.8 | -0.5 | 517 |
| 519. Balance on current account and long term capital | . . . . . do . . . . | -2.9 | -3.0 | -5.1 | -12.9 | -12.4 | $\ldots$ | - | $\ldots$ | ... | -* | -7.8 | 0.5 | 519 |
| 521. Net liquidity balance. . . . . . . . . . . . . . | . . . . . do . . . . | $-6.1$ | -3.8 | -10.0 | -23.1 | -37.2 | ... | - . | -.. | -.. | -•• | -13.1 | -14.1 | 521 |
| 522. Official reserve transactions balance . . . . . | . do | 2.7 | -9.8 | -22.1 | -22.9 | -48.5 | -• | -* | - . | - | ** | -0.8 | -25.6 | 522 |
| D3. Federal Government Activities |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 600. Federal surplus or deficit, national income and product accounts ${ }^{2}$. | do | $7 \cdot 3$ | -13.6 | -17.5 | -22.6 | -21.2 | -* | - * | $\cdots \cdot$ | -• | ** | -5.1 | 1.4 | 600 |
| 601. Federal receipts, national income and product accounts. | do | 196.9 | 191.5 | 195.6 | 198.3 | 202.6 | ** | -•• | ... | $\cdots \cdot$ | -** | 1.4 | 2.2 | 601 |
| 602. Federal expenditures, national income and product accounts | . do | 189.5 | 205.1 | 213.2 | 220.9 | 223.9 | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | ... | ... | ... | 3.6 | 1.4 | 602 |
| 264. National defense purchases............ | . do | 78.4 | 75.4 | 73.0 | 71.8 | 70.8 | -* | $\cdots$ | - $\cdot$ | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | -1.6 | -1.4 | 264 |
| 616. Defense Dept. obligations, total. . . . . . . . | . . . . . do | 81.1 | 79.5 | 83.1 | 77.0 | 80.9 | 66.0 | NA | NA | NA | NA | $-7.3$ | 5.1 | 616 |
| 621. Defense Dept. obligations, procurement . . . | . do | 21.0 | 20.1 | 23.5 | 17.1 | 21.0 | 13.0 | NA | NA | NA | NA | -27:2 | 22.8 | 621 |
| 647. New orders, defense products industries. . . | . do | 43.1 | 42.9 | 41.5 | 41.4 | 43.6 | 36.2 | 39.0 | 46.9 | 7.7 | 20.3 | -0.2 | 5.3 | 647 |
| 648. New orders, defense products . . . . . . . . | do | 23.1 | 23.4 | 24.4 | 19.0 | 26.1 | 17.6 | 23.4 | 24.0 | 33.0 | 2.6 | -22.1 | 37.4 | 648 |
| 625. Military contract awards in U.S. . . . . . . . . | do | 35.4 | 33.4 | 34.1 | 28.9 | 35.8 | 31.8 | 29.1 | NA | -8.5 | NA | -15.2 | 23.9 | 625 |
| D4. Price Movements |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 781. Consumer prices, all items @........... | 1967=100. . . . . . | 109.8 | 116.3 | 119.5 | 120.8 | 122.0 | 122.2 | 122.4 | 122.6 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 1.1 | 1.0 | 781 |
| 750. Wholesale prices, all commodities (1) .... | .... . do ..... | 106.5 | 110.4 | 112.5 | 113.8 | 114.7 | 114.5 | 114.4 | 114.5 | -0.1 | 0.1 | 1.2 | 0.8 | 750 |
| E. ANALYTICAL MEASURES |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| E2. Analytical Ratios |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 850. Ratio, output to capacity, manufacturing ${ }^{2}$. . <br> 851. Ratio, inventories to sales, manufacturing | Percent. . . . . . . | 86.5 | 78.0 | 74.5 | 75.1 | 73.6 | - | -•* | * | ** | -** | 0.6 | -1.5 | 850 |
| s. Radio <br> and trade. | Ratio . . . . . . . . | 1.56 | 1.60 | 1.58 | 1.55 | 1.55 | 1.55 | 1.56 | NA | 0.6 | NA | -1.9 | 0.0 | 851 |
| 852. Ratio, unfilled orders to shipments, mfrs.' durable goods industries | . . . . . do . . . . . | 3.23 | 3.03 | 2.94 | 2.71 | 2.73 | 2.71 | 2.70 | NA | -0.4 | NA | -7.8 | 0.7 | 852 |
| 853. Ratio, production of business equipment to consumer goods. | 1967=100 . . . . . | 97.0 | 91.6 | 84.3 | 82.1 | 83.6 | 84.5 | 83.7 | 83.8 | -0.9 | 0.1 | -2.6 | 1.8 | 853 |
| 854. Ratio, personal savings to disposable personal income | Ratio ......... | 0.060 | 0.079 | 0.081 | 0.082 | 0.077 | $\cdots \cdot$ | * * | -•• | -•• | -* | 1.2 | -6.1 | 854 |
| 860. Ratio, help-wanted advertising to persons unemployed. | ..... do ..... | 1.284 | 0.689 | 0.081 | 0.082 0.478 | 0.493 | 0.469 | 0.482 | 0.462 | 2.8 | -4.1 | 1.2 3.9 | -6.1 3.1 | 888 |
| 858. Output per man-hour, total private nonfarm. . | 1967-100. . . . . . | 102.8 | 103.5 | 105.8 | 107.0 | 107.9 | -•• | ** | ... | - • | -* | 1.1 | 0.8 | 858 |
| 856. Real average hourly earnings, production workers, manufacturing | 1967 dollars. . . . | 2.91 | 2.89 | 2.93 | 2.94 | 2.94 | 2.95 | 2.94 | 2.94 | -0.3 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 856 |
| 859. Real spendable average weekly earnings, nonagri. production or nonsupv. workers. . | ..do ...... | 90.92 | 90.03 | 91.57 | 92.28 | 92.26 | 92.17 | 92.97 | 92.91 | 0.9 | -0.1 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 859 |
| 857. Vacancy rate in total rental housing ${ }^{2}$ (1).. | Percent . . . . . . | 5.0 | 4.9 | 4.9 | 4.9 | 5.3 | - | - | ... | -•• | -•• | 0.0 | 0.4 | 857 |

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Chart Al GROSS NATIONAL PRODUCT


## Section A NATIONAL INCOME AND PRODUCT

Chart a 2 NATIONAL AND PERSONAL INCOME


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## Section A NATIONAL INCOME AND PRODUCT



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Section A NATIONAL INCOME AND PRODUCT
Chart A4 GROSS PRIVATE DOMESTIC INVESTMENT


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Section A NATIONAL INCOME AND PRODUCT

## Chart A5 FOREIGN TRADE



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## Section A NATIONAL INCOME AND PRODUCT

Chart A6 GOVERNMENT PURCHASES OF GOODS AND SERVICES


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Section A NATIONAL INCOME AND PRODUCT
Chart A7 FINAL SALES AND INVENTORIES


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Section A NATIONAL INCOME AND PRODUCT

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Chart A9 SAVING
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## CYCLICAL INDICATORS <br> Economic Process and Cyclical Timing

## Chart B1 EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT

## Leading Indicators



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Section B CYCLICAL INDICATORS Economic Process and Cyclical Timing
Chart B1 EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT-Con.

## Roughly Coincident Indicators



Section B CYCLICAL INDICATORS Economic Process and Cyclical Timing
Chart B1 EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT-Con.

Roughly Coincident Indicators-Con.


Lagging Indicators


Section B $\quad$ CYCLICAL INDICATORS Economic Process and Cyclical Timing
Chart B2 PRODUCTION, INCOME, CONSUMPTION, AND TRADE

Roughly Coincident Indicators


NOTE: For this economic process (i.e., Production, Income, Consumption, and Trade), mo leading or lagging indicators have as yet been selected.
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Roughly Coincident Indicators-Con.


NOTE: For this economic process (i.e., Production, income, Consumption, and Trade), no leading or lagging indicators have as yet been selected.
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Section B CYCLICAL INDICATORS Economic Process and Cyclical Timing
Chart B3 FIXED CAPITAL INVESTMENT

## Leading Indicators


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Section B CYCLICAL INDICATORS Economic Process and Cyclical Timing
Chart B3 FIXED CAPITAL INVESTMENT-Con.

Leading Indicators-Con.


## Section B CYCLICAL INDICATORS Economic Process and Cyclical Timing

## Chart B3 FIXED CAPITAL INVESTMENT-Con.

Roughly Coincident Indicators


Lagging Indicators

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Section B CYCLICAL INDICATORS Economic Process and Cyclical Timing

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Chart B4 INVENTORIES AND INVENTORY INVESTMENT
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## Leading Indicators



37. Purchat 0 vaterials, perceit of companies reperting higher inventories


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$50-\left[\begin{array}{c}75 \\ 25\end{array}\right]$
Scale A

(an. rate, byef men moving wixtotem)

Section B CYCLICAL INDICATORS Economic Process and Cyclical Timing Chart B4 INVENTORIES AND INVENTORY INVESTMENT-Con.

Leading Indicators-Con.


## Lagging Indicators



Section B CYCLICAL INDICATORS Economic Process and Cyclical Timing
Chart B5 PRICES, COSTS, AND PROFITS

## Leading Indicators



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Section $\mathrm{B} \quad$ CYCLICAL INDICATORS Economic Process and Cyclical Timing
Chart B5 PRICES, COSTS, AND PROFITS--Con.

## Roughly Coincident Indicators



Lagging Indicators


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## Chart B6 MONEY AND CREDIT

## Leading Indicators

(luly) (Aug.)
Flows of Moncy and Credit

[^1]Section B CYCLICAL INDICATORS Economic Process and Cyclical Timing Chart B6 MONEY AND CREDIT-Con.

Leading Indicators-Con.


Section B CYCLICAL INDICATORS Economic Process and Cyclical Timing Chart B6 MONEY AND CREDIT-Con.

## Roughly Coincident Indicators



[^2]Section B CYCLICAL INDICATORS Economic Process and Cyclical Timing
Chart B6 MONEY AND CREDIT-Con.

Lagging Indicators


Section B CYCLICAL INDICATORS Selected Indicators by Timing

## Chart B7 COMPOSITE INDEXES



Current data for these series are shown on page 77. Numbers entered on the chart indicate length of leads ( - ) and lags $|\cdot|$ in months from reference turning dates.
Reverse trend odjusted index of 12 leaders contains the same trend as the index of 5 coincident indicators.

Section B. CYCLICAL INDICATORS Selected Indicators by Timing
Chart B7 COMPOSITE INDEXES-Con.


Section B CYCLICAL INDICATORS Selected Indicators by Timing

## Chart B8 NBER SHORT LIST

## Leading Indicators



CYCLICAL INDICATORS Selected Indicators by Timing

Leading Indicators-Con.


Current data for these series are shown on pages 73, 74, and 75.

## Roughly Coincident Indicators



Current data for these series are shown on pages 69 and 70.

Section B CYCLICAL INDICATORS Selected Indicators by Timing

## Lagging Indicators



Current data for these series are shown on pages 69, 72, 73, 74, and 76.

## Chart C1 AGGREGATE SERIES



Current data for these series are shown on page 78.

## Section C ANTICIPATIONS AND INTENTIONS

## Chart C1 AGGREGATE SERIES-Con.



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Section C ANTICIPATIONS AND INTENTIONS
Chart $\mathbf{C 1}$ AGGREGATE SERIES-Con.

| (July) (Apr.) | (May) | (Feb.) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| P | T | P |
| T |  |  |

420. Curent income of househoids compared to income a year ago, $\mathbf{Q}$
(a) Percenit of heuseholds reperting no change in famly income [percent]
(b) Prewert of households reporting higher fanily income (percent)


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IV
 V


IV (a) Mean probability of increase in family income (percent)
(b) herease less decrease (percent)
425. Mean pothentity of substantial changes in income of households, $\mathbf{a}$
(c) Mean probablitity of decrease in family income [percent]


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## Section C ANTICIPATIONS ANO INTENTIONS

Chart C2 DIFFUSION INDEXES


D61. Business expenditures for new plant and equipment, all industries ( $1-0$ span)


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Section c ANTICIPATIONS AND INTENTIONS

## Chart C2 DIFFUSION INDEXES-Con.



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OTHER KEY INDICATORS

## Chart D1 FOREIGN TRADE



## Section D OTHER KEY INDICATORS

Chart D2 BALANCE OF PAYMENTS AND MAJOR COMPONENTS




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Section D OTHER KEY INDICATORS
Chart D2 BALANCE OF PAYMENTS AND MAJOR COMPONENTS-Con.


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Section D OTHER KEY INDICATORS
Chart D2 BALANCE OF PAYMENTS AND MAJOR COMPONENTS-Con.


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## Section D OTHER KEY INDICATORS

Chart D2 BALANCE OF PAYMENTS AND MAJOR COMPONENTS-Con.

| (July) | (Aug. |
| :---: | :---: |
| P | T |

(July) (Apr.)
(May) (Feb.)
(Nov.) (Nov.)
$P \quad T$

Investment Income, Military Sales
and Expenditures, and Other Services

543. Income on foreign investments in the U.S

544. Receipts from foreign travelers in the U.S.


Current data for these series are shown on page 82. Annual totals are used prior to 1960.

Section D OTHER KEY INDICATORS

Chart D2 BALANCE OF PAYMENTS AND MAJOR COMPONENTS-Con.
$\begin{array}{cc}\text { (Juty) (Aug.) } \\ \mathrm{P} & \mathrm{T}\end{array}$

| (July) (Apr.) | (May) (Feb.) |
| :---: | :---: |
| P T | P T |

(Nov.) (Nov.)
P

Capital Movements Plus Government
Nonmilitary Unilateral Transfers
Annual rate, billion dollars

QZD Excess of receipts (inflow)
Kin\# Excess of payments (outflow)

## Direct investrinerts-



Curremt data for these series are shown on page 82. Anmual totals are used prior to 1960.

## Section D OTHER K Y INDICATORS

## Chart D3 FEDERAL GOVERNMENT ACTIVITIES

(Juily) (Aug:
(Uuly) (Apr:
(May) (Feb
(Now) Nov.)
P T

## Receipts and Expenditures




Current data for these series are shown on page 83.

[^4]Section D OTHER KEY INDICATORS
Chart D3 FEDERAL GOVERNMENT ACTIVITIES-Con.


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## Section D OTHER KEY INDICATORS

## Chart D4 <br> PRICE MOVEMENTS



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| duly | (Aug, | fuly inpr | (Mas) (fels | (Now) Nou |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| P | $\dagger$ | P | F | P T |

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## ANALYTICAL MEASURES

## Chart E1 ACTUAL AND POTENTIAL GROSS NATIONAL PRODUCT

$\underset{\mathrm{P}}{\text { (July) }} \underset{\mathrm{I}}{\text { (Aug) }}$
$\underset{\mathrm{p}}{(\mathrm{ulfl} \text { ) (Apr.) }}$
$\underset{\mathrm{P}}{\text { (May) }} \underset{\mathrm{I}}{(\mathrm{Feb} .)}$
(Nov.) $\underset{\mathrm{p}}{\mathrm{T}}$ (Nov.)


Current data for these series are shown on page 85. 'Trend line of $\mathbf{3 . 5}$ percent per year (intersecting actual line in middle of 1955) from 1 st quarter 1952 to 4 th quarter $1962,3.75$ percent from 4th quarter 1962 to 4th quarter 1965, 4 percent from 4th quarter 1965 to 4 th quarter 1969 and 4.3 percent from 4th quarter 1969 to 3rd quarter 1971.

## Section E ANALYTICAL MEASURES

Chart E2 ANALYTICAL RATIOS



Section E ANALYTICAL MEASURES
Chart E2 ANALYTICAL RATIOS-Con.


Chart E3 DIFFUSION INDEXES

## Leading Indicators


\#1. Average workweek, protuction workers, mamufacturing-21 industries $(9-\mathrm{mo}$. span-, $1-\mathrm{mo}$. span $-\cdots-1$


D6. New orders, drable goods industries-36 industries (9-mo. span-, 1-mo. span---1


D11. Newly zpproved capital appropiations-17 industries $\mathbf{3 - 0}$ spanow, 1-0 span- $\mathbf{q}^{\prime}$

034. Profits, FNCB of NY, percent reporting higher profits-about 1,000 manufacturing corporations (1-0 span)





D5. hitial claims, State unemployment insurance-47 reas (percent decining; 9-mo. span-, 1-mo. span---1



Section E ANALYTICAL MCASS

## Chart E3 DIFFUSION INDEXES -Con.

## Roughly Coincident Indicators



Percent rising


D47. Industrial production-24 industries (6-mo. span - , 1-mo. span $-\cdots$-)


D54. Sales of retail stores-23 types of stores $(9-m o$. span-, 1-mo. span ...-)




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## INTERNATIONAL COMPARISONS

## Chart F1 CONSUMER PRICES



Current data for these series are shown on page 93.

## Section F

Chart F2 INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION


Current data for these series are shown on pages 93 and 94.

## Section F INTERNATIONAL COMPARISONS

Chart F3 STOCK PRICES


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| MAJOR ECONOMIC <br> PROCESS ....... | B1 EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| TIMING CLASS .... | LEADING INDICATORS | ROUGHLY COINCIDENT |
| INDICATORS |  |  |
| Minor Economic <br> Process........ | Marginal Employment Adjustments | Job Vacancies |


| Year and month | *1. Average workweek of production workers, manufacturing <br> (Hours) | 21. Average weekly overtime hours, production workers, manufacturing <br> (Hours) | 2. Accession rate, manufacturing <br> (Per 100 employees) | *5. Average weekly initial claims for unemployment insurance, State programs ${ }^{1}$ <br> (Thous.) | 3. Layoff rate, manufacturing <br> (Per 100 employees) | 50. Number of job vacancies, mfg . (2) <br> (Thous.) | 46. Index of help-wanted advertising in newspaper $(1967=100)$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1969 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January . . | 40.6 | 3.7 | 4.9 | 179 | 1.1 | ... | 120 |
| February.... | 40.3 | 3.5 | 4.7 | 186 | 1.1 | ... | 123 |
| March....... | 40.8 | 3.7 | 4.9 | 185 | 1.1 | $\cdots$ | 124 |
| April . | 40.8 | 3.7 | 4.9 | 181 | 1.0 | 293 | 126 |
| May ....... | 40.7 | 3.7 | 4.7 | 182 | 1.1 | 290 | 125 |
| June......... | 40.7 | 3.6 | 4.9 | 197 | 1.1 | 240 | 122 |
| July . . . . . . | 40.6 | 3.6 | 4.7 | 195 | 1.1 | 256 | 122 |
| August...... | 40.6 | 3.6 | 4.5 | 196 | 1.2 | 312 | 120 |
| September... | 40.7 | 3.6 | 4.8 | 200 | 1.2 | 288 | 126 |
| October... | 40.5 | 3.5 | 4.6 | 202 | 1.3 | 242 | 122 |
| November | 40.5 | 3.5 | $4 \cdot 4$ | 211 | 2.2 | 209 | 119 |
| December | 40.6 | 3.5 | 4.5 | 210 | 1.4 | 185 | 117 |
| 1970 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January . . | 40.2 | 3.3 | $4 \cdot 3$ | 232 | 1.5 | 186 | 109 |
| February... | 40.2 | 3.2 | $4 \cdot 4$ | 250 | 1.6 | 170 | 109 |
| March. . . . . . | 40.1 | 3.2 | 4.2 | 263 | 1.7 | 165 | 103 |
| April ...... | 39.9 | 3.0 | 4.0 | 326 | 2.0 | 158 | 99 |
| May . . . . . . . | 39.8 | 3.0 | $4 \cdot 1$ | 313 | 1.8 | 151 | 99 |
| June......... | 39.9 | 3.0 | 4.0 | 303 | 1.9 | 123 | 92 |
| July. | 40.1 | 3.0 | 4.1 | 265 | 1.6 | 126 | 91 |
| August. ...... | 39.8 | 2.9 | 4.1 | 288 | 1.8 | 137 | 89 |
| September... | 39.3 | 2.8 | 3.8 | 338 | 1.9 | 118 | 85 |
| October . | 39.4 | 2.8 | 3.6 | 341 | 2.1 | 93 | r77 |
| November . | 39.6 | 2.7 | 3.7 | 338 | 2.0 | 76 | 80 |
| December .. | 39.5 | 2.7 | 3.8 | 297 | 1.8 | 77 | 80 |
| 1971 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January..... | 39.8 | 2.8 | 3.8 | 282 | 1.7 | 81 | 75 |
| February.... | 39.8 | 2.8 | 3.7 | 278 | 1.5 | 80 | 777 |
| March. ..... | 39.8 | 2.9 | 3.9 | 291 | 1.5 | 83 | 78 |
| April ........ | 39.8 | 2.9 | 4.0 | 274 | 1.6 | 93 | 78 |
| May . . . . . . . | 40.0 | 3.0 | 3.8 3 | 296 | 1.5 | 95 | 79 83 |
| June........ | 40.0 | 2.9 | 3.7 | 301 | 1.5 | 89 | 83 |
| July........ | 40.0 | 3.0 | 3.7 | (H) 274 | 1.5 | 90 | 85 |
| August...... | 39.8 $\mathbf{3 9}$ | 2.9 | (H) 4.2 | 327 | 1.9 $r 1$ | (H) 106 | (H) 85 |
| September... | r39.5 | 2.8 | r3.9 | 324 | r1.7 | r98 | 80 |
| October.... . |  | (H) r 3.0 | p3.7 | 310 | (H) pl. 5 | p90 | 80 |
| November . . . <br> December | (H) p 40.1 | p2.9 | (NA) | p301 | (NA) | (NA) | p80 |

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Grophs of these series are shown on pages 18,19 , and 36 .
${ }^{I}$ Data exclude Puerto Rico which is included in figures published by source agency.

| MAJOR ECONOMIC PROCESS $\qquad$ | B1 EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT - Con. |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| TIMING CLASS . . . | ROUGHLY COINCIDENT INDICATORS--Con. |  | LAGGING INDICATORS |
| Minor Economic Process. . . . . | Comprehensive Employment | Comprehensive Unemployment | Long-Duration Unemployment |


| Year and month | 48. Man-hours in nonagricultural establishments <br> (Ann, rate, bil. man-hours) | *41. Number of employees on nonagricultural payrolls, establishment survey <br> (Thous.) | 42. Persons engaged in nonagricultural activities, labor force survey <br> (Thous.) | *43. Unemploy* ment rate, total <br> (Percent) | 45. Average weekly insured unemployment rate, State programs ${ }^{1}$ <br> (Percent) | 40. Unemployment rate, married males <br> (Percent) | *44. Unemployment rate, persons unemployed 15 weeks and over ${ }^{2}$ <br> (Percent) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1969 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January . . . . . . . . . . | 137.25 | 69,287 | 73,271 | 3.4 | 2.1 | 1.4 | 0.4 |
| February . . . . . . . . . | 137.26 | 69,529 | 73,682 | 3.3 | 2.1 | 1.4 | 0.4 |
| March............. | 138.20 | 69,766 | 73,870 | 3.4 | 2.0 | 1.4 | 0.4 |
| April .............. . | 138.54 | 69,941 | 73,895 | 3.5 | 2.0 | 1.5 | 0.5 |
| May ............... | 139.12 | 70,171 | 73,675 | 3.4 | 2.0 | 1.5 | 0.5 |
| June.............. | 139.30 | 70,368 | 74,110 | 3.4 | 2.0 | 1.5 | 0.5 |
| July . . . . . . . . . . . . | 139.24 | 70,406 | 74,365 | 3.5 | 2.1 | 1.6 | 0.5 |
| August. . . . . . . . . . | 139.69 | 70,512 | 74,582 | 3.5 | 2.1 | 1.5 | 0.5 |
| September......... | 139.77 | 70,616 | 74,696 | 3.8 | 2.2 | 1.7 | 0.5 |
| October............ | 139.95 | 70,827 | 75,000 | 3.7 | 2.2 | 1.6 | 0.5 |
| November .......... | 139.95 | 70,797 | 75,088 | 3.5 | 2.3 | 1.5 | 0.5 |
| December ......... | 140.12 | 70,912 | 75,298 | 3.6 | 2.4 | 1.7 | 0.5 |
| 1970 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January . . . . . . . . . | 139.21 | 70,873 | 75,504 | 3.9 | 2.5 | 1.9 | 0.5 |
| February........... | 139.47 | 70,988 | 75,300 | 4.2 | 2.6 | 2.0 | 0.6 |
| March. . . . . . . . . . . | 139.62 | 71, 147 | 75,436 | 4.4 | 2.7 | 2.2 | 0.7 |
| April .............. | 139.05 | 71,063 | 75,317 | 4.7 | 3.1 | 2.3 | 0.7 |
| May . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 138.46 | 70,796 | 75,031 | 4.9 | 3.5 | 2.5 | 0.7 |
| June.............. | 138.25 | 70,634 | 74,763 | 4.8 | 3.7 | 2.5 | 0.8 |
| July.............. . | 138.47 | 70,605 | 75,066 | 5.0 | 3.5 | 2.7 | 0.8 |
| August. . . . . . . . . . | 137.76 | 70,445 | 75,073 | 5.1 | 3.7 | 2.8 | 0.9 |
| September......... . | 137.05 | 70,480 | 75,043 | 5.4 | 4.3 | 2.9 | 0.9 |
| October............ | 136.52 | 70,082 | 75,398 | 5.5 | 4.4 | 3.0 | 0.9 |
| November . . . . . . . . . | 136.45 | 69,985 | 75,197 | 5.9 | 4.4 | 3.2 | 1.1 |
| December ......... | 137.04 | 70,313 | 75,055 | 6.2 | 4.0 | 3.4 | 1.3 |
| 1971 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January . . . . . . . . . | 137.36 | 70,454 | 75,451 | 6.0 | 3.7 | 3.3 | 1.3 |
| February ........... | 136.65 | 70,39] | 75,208 | 5.8 | (H) 3.7 | 3.2 | 1.3 |
| March. ............. | 137.38 | 70,480 | 75,079 | 6.0 | 3.8 | 3.2 | 1.3 |
| April .............. | 137.56 | 70,599 | 75,140 | 6.1 | 3.9 | 3.1 | 1.3 |
| May ............... | 138.07 | 70,769 | 75,503 | 6.2 | 4.3 | 3.3 | 1.4 |
| June............... | 137.99 | 70,657 | 75,149 | ([) 5.6 | 4.3 | 3.1 | 1.4 |
| July ............... | 137.91 | 70,531 | 75,574 | 5.8 | 4.0 | 3.1 | 1.6 |
| August............. | 137.67 | 70,529 | 75,782 | 6.1 | 4.1 | 3.2 | 1.5 |
| September......... | r137.64 | r70,853 | 76,169 | 6.0 | 4.6 | 3.3 | 1.5 |
| October............ | r138.12 | r70,831 | 76,476 | 5.8 | r 4.4 | (H) 3.0 | 1.5 |
| November <br> December | (H) pl 38.99 | (H) 70,915 | (H) 76,629 | 6.0 | p4.1 | 3.4 | 1.5 |

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Graphs of these series are shown on pages 19, 20, 38, and 39.
${ }^{1}$ Data exclude Puerto Rico which is included in figures published by source agency.
${ }^{3}$ No current high.

B CYCLICAL INDICATORS-Economic Process and Cyclical Timing

| MAJOR ECONOMIC PROCESS. | B2. PRODUCTION, INCOME, CONSUMPTION, AND TRADE |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| timing class . . . | ROUGHLY COINCIDENT INDICATORS |  |  |
| Minor Economic Process. . | Comprehensive Production | Comprehensive Income | Comprehensive Consumption and Trade |


| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Year } \\ & \text { and } \\ & \text { month } \end{aligned}$ | *200. Gross national product in current dollars <br> (Ann. rate, bil. dol.) | *205. Gross national product in 1958 dollars <br> (Ann. rate, bil. dol.) | *47. Index of industrial production $(1967=100)$ | *52. Personal income <br> (Ann. rate, bil. dol.) | 53. Wages and salaries in mining, manufacturing, and construction <br> (Ann. rate, bil. dol.) | *56. Manufac. turing and trade sales <br> (Mil. dol.) | 57. Final sales (series 200 minus series 245) <br> (Ann. rate, bil. dol.)' | *54. Sales of retail stores <br> (Mil. dol.) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1969 |  |  |  |  |  | ${ }^{1}$ ) |  | ${ }^{1}$ ) |
| January ........... |  |  | 108.4 | 720.8 | 187.3 | r99,937 |  | r29,384 |
| February ............ | 906.4 | 721.4 | 109.7 | 726.1 | 187.6 | r100,999 | 899.8 | r29,616 |
| March.... |  |  | 110.3 | 733.4 | 190.9 | r101,662 | ... | r29,321 |
| April ............. |  |  | 110.2 | 738.1 | 192.0 | r102,172 |  | r29,683 |
| May ................ | 921.8 | 724.2 | 110.2 | 742.9 | 192.9 | r102,777 | 915.0 | r29,717 |
| June................ |  | ... | 110.8 | 748.1 | 194.9 | r103,213 | ... | r29,657 |
| July .............. |  |  | 111.5 | 754.1 | 195.8 | r103,034 |  | r29,552 |
| August............ | 940.6 | 727.8 | 111.4 | 759.5 | 196.8 | r104,285 | 929.8 | r29,841 |
| September.......... | ... | ... | 111.9 | 764.3 | 197.8 | r105,123 | ... | r30,058 |
| October . . . . . . . . . |  |  | 111.7 | 768.0 | 198.6 | r105,729 |  | r30,262 |
| November .......... | 948.0 | 725.2 | 110.3 | 777.1 | 198.3 | r104,870 | 942.3 | r30,197 |
| December .... | ... | ... | 109.9 | 776.5 | 200.2 | r104,379 | ... | r30,268 |
| 1970 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January ........... |  |  | 107.4 | 780.1 | 198.5 | r104,904 |  | r30,334 |
| February ........... | 956.0 | 719.8 | 108.0 107.6 | 783.5 | 198.2 | r105,870 r105,657 | 955.6 | r 30,669 $r 30,695$ |
| March............. |  | ... | 107.6 | 789.4 | 200.2 | r105,657 | ... | r30,695 |
| April ... |  | $\ldots$ | 107.5 | 808.0 | 198.7 | r104,807 |  | r31,005 |
| May ............... | 968.5 | 721.1 | 107.5 | 802.0 | 197.1 | r1067.758 | 966.5 | r31,198 |
| June............... | ... | ... | 107.6 | 801.4 | 197.4 | r107,389 | ... | r31,293 |
| July.............. |  |  | 107.5 | 805.3 | 198.3 | r107,626 |  | r31,601 |
| August............ | 983.5 | 723.3 | 107.5 | 809.0 | 198.5 | r108,052 | 978.4 | r31,710 |
| September .......... | ... | ... | 106.5 | 814.9 | 198.0 | 107,738 | ... | 31,951 |
| October.... | 988.4 | 715.9 | 103.7 102.6 | 813.6 815.7 | 193.4 | 105.610 104,485 | 984.7 | 31,621 |
| November ........... | 98.4 | ... | 104.6 | 820.9 | 198.9 | 106,943 | 984.7 | 31,282 31,761 |
| 1971 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January ........... |  | . | 105.3 | 830.0 | 199.5 | 109,346 |  | 32,290 |
| February............ | 1,020.8 | 729.7 | 105.7 | 833.2 | 199.1 | L11,166 | 1,017.6 | 32,950 |
| March............. | .... | ... | 105.5 | 839.7 | 200.8 | 112,740 | ... | r33,274 |
| April ............. |  |  | 106.2 | 844.4 | 201.9 | 213,155 |  | 33,578 |
| May ............... | 1,043.1 | 738.4 | -107.0 | 850.0 | 203.6 | 114,303 | 1,037.4 | 33,502 |
| June............... |  | ... | (H) 107.2 | 870.1 | 204.0 | 115,531 |  | 33,827 |
| July ............. |  |  | 206.1 | 859.2 | 202.7 | 114,727 |  | 33,688 |
| August............ <br> September | (H) 1,060.8 | (H) 745.5 | 105.3 r 106.2 | 867.6 871.5 | 203.1 204.5 | (H) $\begin{array}{r}115,064 \\ \hline 15,660\end{array}$ | ([1) 1,059.7 | 34,655 35,219 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| November ............ |  |  | r106.0 | [ H 9876.0 | r205.3 [H $\mathbf{p} 206.3$ | $\begin{array}{r} \mathrm{pll}_{4}, 680 \\ \text { (NA) } \end{array}$ |  | $\begin{array}{r} \mathrm{p} 34,8466 \\ (\mathrm{NA}) \end{array}$ |
| December .......... |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

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${ }^{1}$ See "New Features and Changes for This Issue," page iii.

| MAJOR ECONOMIC <br> PROCESS ....... | B3 | FIXED CAPITAL INVESTMENT |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| TIMING CLASS .... | LEADING INDICATORS |  |  |
| Minor EConomic <br> Process......... | Formation of Business <br> Enterprises | New Investment Commitments |  |


| Year and month | *12. Index of net business formation $(1967=100)$ | 13. Number of new business incorporations <br> (Number) | *6. Value of manufacturers' new orders, durable goods industries <br> (Bil. dol.) | 8. Index of construction contracts, total value ${ }^{1}$ $(1967=100)$ | *10. Contracts and orders for plant and equipment <br> (Bil. dol.) | 11. Newly approved capital appropriations, 1,000 manufac. turing corporations ${ }^{1}$ <br> (Bil. dol.) | 24. Value of manufacturess' new orders, producers' capital goods industries <br> (Bil. dol.) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1969 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January........... | 117.2 | 21,364 | 28.76 | 132 | 8.38 |  |  |
| February .......... | 117.2 | 22,105 | 29.38 | 132 | 7.34 | 6.80 | 6.01 |
| March.............. | 116.6 | 22,083 | 29.48 | 117 | 7.26 | ... | 6.04 |
| April ............. | 117.0 | 23,262 | 30.14 | 118 | 7.78 |  | 6.62 |
| May .............. | 116.6 | 23,118 | 29.74 | 135 | 7.73 | 7.75 | 6.14 |
| June.............. | 116.8 | 23,439 | 28.60 | 120 | 7.27 | ... | 5.99 |
| July.............. | 116.9 | 23,366 | 30.52 | 116 | 7.38 |  | 6.01 |
| August............ | 116.2 | 22,871 | 29.61 | 139 | 7.07 | 7.60 | 5.75 |
| September .......... | 114.8 | 22,594 | 31.03 | 112 | 7.77 | ... | 6.49 |
| 0 ctober . . . . . . . . | 116.1 | 24,263 | 30.10 | 126 | 7.34 |  | 5.80 |
| November .......... | 114.3 | 23,125 | 29.80 | 115 | 7.11 | 7.44 | 5.98 |
| December ......... | 114.9 | 22,404 | 29.22 | 141 | 7.84 | ... | 6.00 |
| 1970 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January........... | 114.5 | 22,397 | 29.23 | 131 | 8.38 |  | 6.15 |
| February .......... | 1114.2 | 23,152 | 28.64 | 137 | 7.77 | 6.65 | 6.02 |
| March.............. | 110.7 | 21,383 | 28.45 | 132 | 7.06 | ... | 5.54 |
| April ............. | 109.7 | 21,939 | 28.10 | 130 | 7.67 |  | 5.53 |
| May .............. | 107.8 | 22,267 | 29.33 | 110 | 6.90 | 6.42 | 5.66 |
| June.............. | 107.0 | 22,192 | 29.61 | 120 | 7.18 |  | 5.80 |
| July............. | 106.1 | 22,106 | 30.07 | 116 | 7.35 |  | 5.90 |
| August............. | 105.2 | 22,055 | 29.75 | 135 | 7.09 | 6.46 | 5.68 |
| September.......... | 105.5 | 22,372 | 28.36 | 118 | 6.86 | ... | 5.61 |
| October........... | 105.9 | 21,625 | 26.78 | 115 | 6.58 |  | 5.84 |
| November ......... December | 105.6 | 22,382 22,085 | 27.56 | 130 132 | 7.18 | 5.90 | 5.87 |
| 1971 |  |  | 30.14 |  | 7.01 | ... | 5.12 |
| January ........... | 105.8 | 22,338 | 31.67 | 117 | 7.80 |  | 6.44 |
| February........... | 105.6 | 20,923 | 31.07 | 126 | 8.12 | 5.76 | 6.62 |
| March............. | 109.2 | 23,220 | 31.47 | 142 | 7.77 | ... | 6.22 |
| April ............. | 109.2 | 22,770 | 30.23 | (1)161 | 7.88 |  | 5.68 |
| May .............. | 109.8 | 24,168 | 30.60 | 141 | 7.77 | 5.44 | 6.19 |
| June............... | 111.8 | 24,691 | 30.67 | 147 | 7.74 | ... | 6.24 |
| July ............. | 112.0 | 25,073 | 31.96 | 151 | 7.52 |  | 6.15 |
| August........... | 112.9 r111 | (H) 25,112 | 31.76 | 153 | (H) 8.35 | [1)p6.10 | 6.55 |
| September......... | r111.7 | r23,278 | 31.03 | 154 | 7.91 |  | 6.42 |
| October November | (T) $\mathrm{pl}_{\text {(174. }}^{(\mathrm{NA})}$ | 24,936 | r31.13 | 137 | r7.80 |  | (H) 6.81 |
| November .......... December ....... |  |  | (H) 322.25 | 155 | p8.03 |  | p6.48 |

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| MAJOR ECONOMIC PROCESS | B3 FIXED CAPITAL INVESTMENT-Con. |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| TIMING CLASS . . . | LEADING INDICATORS--Con. | ROUGHLY COINCIDENT INDICATORS | LAGGING INDICATORS |
| Minor Economic Process. | New Investment Commitments--Con. | Backlog of Investment Commitments | Investment Expenditures |



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${ }^{2}$ No current high. ${ }^{3}$ See "Ner. Features and Changes for This Issue," page iii.

B CYCLICAL INDICATORS-Economic Process and Cyclical Timing

| MAJOR ECONOMIC <br> PROCESS ....... | B4 INVENTORIES AND INVENTORY INVESTMENT |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| TIMING CLASS .... | LEADING INDICATORS | LAGGING INDICATORS |
| Minor Economic <br> Process. ....... | Inventory Investment and Purchasing | Inventories |


| Year and month | 245. Change in business inventories <br> (Ann. rate, bil. dol.) | *31. Change in book value of mfg. and trade inventories, tota! <br> (Ann. rate, <br> bil. dol.) | 37. Purchased materials, companies reporting higher inventories (Percent reporting) | 20. Change in book value of mfrs.' inventories of mtls. and supplies <br> (Ann. rate, bil. dol.) | 26. Production materials, companies reporting commitments 60 days or longer(1) (Percent reporting) | 32. Vendor performance, companies reporting slower deliveries (1) (Percent reporting) | 25. Change in unfilled orders, durable goods industries <br> (Bil. dol.) | *71. Manufacturing and trade inventories, book value <br> (Bil. dol.) | 65. Manufacturers' inventories of finished goods book value <br> (Bil. dol.) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1969 |  | Revised ${ }^{1}$ |  |  |  |  |  | Revised ${ }^{1}$ |  |
| January ... |  | +8.9 | 43 | +1.7 | 57 | 62 | -0.10 | 155.98 | 28.89 |
| February.... | +6.6 | +13.4 | 47 | +0.8 | 58 | 61 | +0.18 | 157.10 | 29.15 |
| March.... |  | +12.7 | 49 | +3.4 | 63 | 61 | +0.29 | 158.15 | 29.41 |
| April .... |  | +10.5 | 49 | +2.2 | 65 | 68 | +1.00 | 159.03 | 29.64 |
| May ... | +6.8 | +11.6 | 51 | +2.4 | 64 | 69 | +0.81 | 159.99 | 30.00 |
| June... |  | +10.3 | 49 | -0.2 | 66 | 70 | -0.80 | 160.85 | 30.16 |
| July ... |  | +10.8 | 50 | +1.1 | 59 | 66 | +1.09 | 161.75 | 30.33 |
| August.... | +10.4 | +9.3 | 51 | +0.1 | 63 | 68 | -0.60 | 162.52 | 30.53 |
| September .... | ... | +13.5 | 50 | +2.1 | 65 | 66 | +0.54 | 163.65 | 30.75 |
| October.... |  | +14.5 | 54 | +3.2 | 63 | 65 | -0.43 | 164.86 | 30.83 |
| November ... | +5.7 | $+7.1$ | 57 | +1.4 | 65 | 62 | -0.11 | 165.45 | 31.16 |
| December | ... | +11.6 | 48 | +2.9 | 65 | 64 | -0.31 | 166.41 | 31.31 |
| 1970 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January ..... |  | +3.3 | 50 | -1.2 | 61 | 56 | -0.21 | 166.69 | 31.62 |
| February... | +0.4 | +12.0 | 50 | +2.2 | 62 | 58 | -0.92 | 167.69 | 32.00 |
| March. . . | ... | +4.0 | 51 | +0.9 | 56 | 50 | -0.79 | 168.02 | 32.12 |
| April ...... |  | +13.7 | 45 | -0.9 | 60 | 52 | -0.95 | 169.16 | 32.67 |
| May ..... | +2.1 | -1.8 | 40 | -2.1 | 57 | 72 | -0.60 | 169.01 | 32.70 |
| Jume....... | ... | +11.0 | 46 | +0.1 | 55 | 69 | -0.50 | 169.93 | 32.87 |
| July......... |  | (H) +14.3 | 46 | +0.1 | 52 | 50 | -0.10 | 171.12 | 33.10 |
| August....... | +5.1 | +6.7 | 44 | +1.0 | 50 | 45 | -0.74 | 171.68 | 33.33 |
| September.. | ... | +6.7 | 47 | +0.8 | 52 | 45 | -1.54 | 172.24 | 33.53 |
| October.. |  | +4.2 | 46 | +2.9 | 54 | 38 | -1.37 | 172.59 | 33.94 |
| November ..... | +3.7 | +9.4 | 47 | +3.5 | 54 | 36 | -0.12 | 173.37 | 34.24 |
| December .... | ... | +3.1 | 44 | +2.4 | 52 | 36 | +0.96 | 173.64 | 34.11 |
| 1971 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January.... |  | +9.3 | 46 | +0.6 | 52 | 38 | (H) +1. 50 | 174.41 | 34.38 |
| February ..... | +3.2 | +5.1 | 49 | -0.7 | (H. 59 | 44 | +0.22 | 174.83 | 34.49 |
| March. . . . . | ... | +8.4 | 51 | -2.2 | 56 | 46 | -0.14 | 175.54 | (H) 34.71 |
| April ... |  | +8.9 | 57 | (1)+4.7 | 57 | 52 | -1.08 | 176.28 | 34.45 |
| May .......... | $\leftrightarrow+5.7$ | +9.3 +4.3 | 55 | $+2.4$ | 55 | (H) 53 | -1.25 | 177.05 | 34.46 |
| June.......... | ... | +4.3 | 58 | +3.2 | 58 | 50 | -1.98 | 177.40 | 34.31 |
| July..... |  | +3.0 |  | +2.0 |  | 48 | -0.16 | 277.65 | 33.95 |
| August....... | +1.1 | +6.1 | 51 | -2.2 | 55 | 49 | +0.30 | 178.16 | 34.00 |
| September.... |  | +9.2 | 41 | -4.6 | 52 | 48 | -0.52 | 178.92 | 34.21 |
| October $\qquad$ November $\qquad$ |  | $\underset{(\mathrm{NA})}{\mathrm{p}+5.7}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 39 \\ & 42 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} +0.3 \\ (\mathrm{NA}) \end{gathered}$ | 51 50 | 50 48 | $\begin{aligned} & r-0.04 \\ & \mathrm{p}+0.40 \end{aligned}$ | (H) ${ }^{\mathrm{p} 179.40}$ <br> (NA) | $\begin{array}{r} 34.63 \\ (\mathrm{NA}) \end{array}$ |
| December .... |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

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Graphs of these series are shown on pages $26,27,37$, and 39 .
${ }^{1}$ See "New Features and Changes for This Issue," page iii.

| MAJOR ECONOMIC PROCESS ....... | B5 PRICES, COSTS, AND PROFITS |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| TIMING CLASS . . . | LEADING INDICATORS |  |  | ROUGHLY COINCIDENT INDICATORS | LAGGING INDICATORS |
| Minor Economic Process. . . . . . . . | Sensitive Commodity Prices | Stock Prices | Profits and Profit Margins | Comprehensive Wholesale Prices | Unit Labor Costs |


| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Year } \\ & \text { and } \\ & \text { month } \end{aligned}$ | *23. Index of industrial materials prices (a) $(1967=100)$ | *19. Index of stock prices, 500 common stocks (1) $\|(1941-43=10)\|$ | *16. Corporate profits after taxes <br> (Ann. rate, bil. dol.) | 22. Ratio of profits to income originating, corporate, all indus. (Percent) | 15. Profits (after taxes) per dollar of sales, all mfg. corp. <br> (Cents) | *17. Ratio, price to unit labor cost index, mfg. $(1967=100)$ | 55. Index of wholesale prices, indus. commod. (1) $(1967=100)$ | 58. Index of wholesale prices, mfd. goods (ㄴ) $(1967=100)$ | 68. Labor cost (cur. dol.) per unit of gross prod. (1958 dol.), nonfin. corp. (Dollars) | *62. Index of labor cost per unit of output, mfg. $(1967=100)$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1969 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January . | 103.0 | 102.04 |  |  |  | 98.8 | 104.3 | 104.3 |  | 105.6 |
| February.. | 105.9 | 101.46 | 46.9 | 10.2 | 5.0 | 100.4 | 104.9 | 104.9 | 0.750 | 104.5 |
| March..... | 106.5 | 99.30 |  | ... | ... | 99,8 | 105.4 | 105.2 | ... | 105.4 |
| April .. | 108.9 | 101.26 |  |  |  | 99.2 | 105.5 | 105.4 |  | 106.3 |
| May | 110.0 | 104.62 | 4.5 .9 | 9.8 | 4.9 | 99.2 | 105.5 | 105.8 | 0.761 | 106.7 |
| June.. | 111.2 | 99.14 |  | ... | ... | 99.4 | 105.6 | 106.3 |  | 106.9 |
| July ... | 112.0 | 94.71 |  |  |  | 100.1 | 105.7 | 106.5 |  | 106.4 |
| August.... | 114.5 | 94.18 | 43.0 | 8.9 | 4.8 | 99.3 | 106.1 | 106.5 | 0.773 | 107.3 |
| September.... | 116.9 | 94.51 | ... | ... | $\ldots$ | 99.2 | 106.5 | 106.8 |  | 107.7 |
| October... | 115.1 | 95.52 |  |  |  | 99.0 | 107.1 | 107.4 |  | 108.5 |
| November .. | 115.1 | 96.21 | 42.3 | 8.7 | 4.5 | 98.4 | 107.4 | 107.8 | 0.786 | 109.5 |
| December | 116.7 | 91.11 | ... | ... |  | 97.2 | 107.8 | 108.1 |  | 111.2 |
| 1970 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January .. | 118.9 | 90.31 |  |  |  | 96.1 | 108.3 | 108.8 |  | 113.2 |
| February. | 119.5 | 87.16 | 41.5 | 8.5 | 4.1 | 97.3 | 108.7 | 109.1 | 0.798 | 112.1 |
| March... | 118.7 | 88.65 | ... | $\ldots$ | ... | 96.6 | 108.9 | 109.3 |  | 113.2 |
| April .... | 118.2 | 85.95 |  |  |  | 97.2 | 109.3 | 109.6 |  | 112.7 |
| May .......... | 117.5 | 76.06 | 41.3 | 8.5 | 4.3 | 97.9 | 109.7 | 109.7 | 0.801 | 112.0 |
| June.... | 114.8 | 75.59 |  | ... |  | 98.0 | 109.8 | 110.0 |  | 112.2 |
| July . | 112.4 | 75.72 |  |  |  | 98.5 | 110.0 | 110.6 |  | 112.3 |
| August.... | 111.2 | 77.92 | 42.9 | 8.7 | 4.0 | 97.4 | 110.2 | 110.6 | 0.811 | 113.6 |
| September.... | 110.5 | 82.58 |  | ... | $\ldots$ | 96.9 | 110.4 | 110.8 | ... | 114.4 |
| October.... | 109.5 | 84.37 |  |  |  | 96.9 | 111.3 | 111.2 |  | 114.8 |
| November .. | 108.9 | 84.28 90.05 | 39.2 | 7.9 | 3.6 | 96.0 95.1 | 111.3 | 111.2 | 0.829 | 1115.8 |
| December ... $1971$ | 106.4 |  | -•• | ... | . $\cdot$ | 95.1 | 111.7 | 111.2 | ... |  |
| January.... | 105.9 | 93.49 |  |  | $\ldots$ | 95.8 | 112.2 | 111.8 |  | 116.7 |
| February.. | 107.2 | 97.11 | 42.9 | 8.4 | 4.0 | 96.7 | 112.5 | 112.4 | 0.824 | 116.2 |
| March..... | 107.8 | 99.60 | ... | ... |  | 95.8 | 112.8 | 112.7 | . | 117.6 |
| April ... | (H) 110.2 | (H) 103.04 |  |  |  | 96.8 | 113.3 | 113.0 |  | 116.7 |
| May | 108.6 | 101.64 | (H) 46.0 | 8.6 | (H) 4.4 | 97.7 | 113.7 | 113.5 | 0.829 | 116.2 |
| June....... | 106.1 | 99.72 |  |  | ... | 97.6 | 113.9 | 113.8 |  | 115.6 |
| July... | 104.7 | 99.00 |  |  |  | (H) 97.9 | 114.5 | 114.5 | ... | 116.9 |
| August... | 106.1 | 97.24 | r45.2 | (H) 8.6 | 4.3 | 97.0 | (H) 115.1 | (1) 114.9 | (H) 0.832 | (H)118.4 |
| September... | 107.5 | 99.40 |  |  |  | r97.1 | 115.0 | $1{ }^{1} \cdot 7$ |  | r118.1 |
| October . . | 107.4 | 97.29 |  |  |  | r96.9 | 115.0 | 114.5 |  | r118.2 |
| November December | 106.9 +106.3 | 92.78 ${ }^{9} 98.04$ |  |  |  | p97.1 | 114.9 | 114.5 |  | pl17.9 |

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${ }_{2}^{1}$ Average for December 7 and 14 .
${ }^{2}$ Average for December 1, 8, 15, and 22.

| MAJOR ECONOMIC PROCESS ...... | B6 MONEY AND CREDIT |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| TIMING CLASS . ... | LEADING INDICATORS |  |
| Minor Economic Process. . . . . . . . | Flows of Money and Credit | Credit Difficulties |



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Graphs of these series are shown on pages 30,31 , and 37.
${ }^{1}$ Beginning with October 1970, data include conventional mortgages held by the Government National Mortgage Association.
See "New Features and Changes tor This Issue," page iii. ${ }^{3}$ Average for weeks ended December 1 and 8 . ${ }^{4}$ Average for weeks ended Jecember 1, 8, and 15.

| MAJOR ECONOMIC PROCESS | B6 MONEY AND CREDIT-Con. |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| TIMING CLASS . . . | ROUGHLY COINCIDENT INDICATORS |  | LAGGING INDICATORS |  |
| Minor Economic Process. ........ . | Bank Reserves | Money Market Interest Rates | Outstanding Debt | Interest Rates on Business Loans and Mortgages |


| Year and month | 93. Free reserves (1) (Mil. dol.) | 114. Treasury bill rate (1) <br> (Percent) | 116. Corporate bond yields (1) <br> (Percent) | 115. Treasury bond yields (1) <br> (Percent) | 117. Municipal bond yields (1) <br> (Percent) | 66. Consumer instalIment debt (Mil. dol.) | *72. Commercial and industrial loans outstanding, weekly reporting large commercial banks <br> (Mil. dol.) | *67. Bank rates on shortterm business loans, 35 cities (1) ${ }^{1}$ a <br> (Percent) | 118. Mortgage yields, residential (l) <br> (Percent) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1969 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January . | -480 | 6.18 | 7.29 | 5.74 | 4.85 | 88,729 | 73,450 | ... | (NA) |
| February.... | -596 | 6.16 | 7.33 | 5.86 | 4.98 | 89,527 | 74,190 | 7.32 | 7.99 |
| March. . | -701. | 6.08 | 7.76 | 6.05 | 5.26 | 90,173 | 74,886 | ... | 8.05 |
| April. | -844 | 6.15 | 7.54 | 5.84 | 5.19 | 90,933 | 76,283 | $\ldots$ | 8.06 |
| May ....... | -1,102 | 6.08 | 7.62 | 5.85 | 5.33 | 91,779 | 77,457 | 7.86 | 8.06 |
| June. | -1,064 | 6.49 | 8.04 | 6.05 | 5.76 | 92,574 | 78,541 | ... | 8.35 |
| July... | -1,074 | 7.00 | 8.06 | 6.07 | 5.75 | 93,196 | 79,055 | $\ldots$ | 8.36 |
| August. . | -946 | 7.01 | 8.05 | 6.02 | 6.00 | 93,796 | 79,884 | 8.82 | 8.36 |
| September | -831 | 7.13 | 8.36 | 6.32 | 6.26 | 94,494 | 80,889 | ... | 8.40 |
| October.. | -992 | 7.04 | 8.46 | 6.27 | 6.09 | 95,163 | 82,073 |  | 8.48 |
| November | -988 | 7.19 | 8.94 | 6.52 | 6.30 | 95,783 | 82,627 | 8.83 | 8.48 |
| December | -829 | 7.72 | 9.22 | 6.81 | 6.82 | 96,198 | 83,365 | ... | 8.62 |
| 1970 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January . . . | -799 | 7.91 | 9.00 | 6.86 | 6.65 | 96,578 | 83,205 | ... | (NA) |
| February... | -819 | 7.16 | 8.84 | 6.44 | 6.36 | 96,996 | 84,229 | 8.86 | 9.29 |
| March. . | -781 | 6.71 | 9.00 | 6.39 | 6.03 | 97,194 | 84,462 | ... | 9.20 |
| April ...... | -704 | 6.48 | 9.09 | 6.53 | 6.49 | 97,490 | 84,770 | ... | 9.10 |
| May . | -795 | 7.04 | 9.53 | 6.94 | 7.00 | 97,905 | 85,241 | 8.49 | 9.11 |
| June. | -701 | 6.74 | 9.70 | 6.99 | 6.96 | 98,346 | 85,420 | ... | 9.16 |
| July....... | -1,217 | 6.50 | 9.09 | 6.57 | 6.53 | 98,789 | 85,599 |  | 9.11 |
| August... | -682 | 6.41 | 9.08 | 6.75 | 6.20 | 99,021 | 86,220 | 8.50 | 9.07 |
| September. | -335 | 6.24 | 9.00 | 6.63 | 6.25 | 99,380 | 86,230 | ... | 9.01 |
| October.... | -208 | 5.93 | 9.14 | 6.59 | 6.39 | 99,298 | 84,649 | . | 8.97 |
| November .. | -305 | 5.29 | 8.97 | 6.24 | 5.93 | 98,996 | 83,982 | 8.07 | 8.90 |
| December .. | -49 | 4.86 | 8.13 | 5.97 | 5.46 | 99,017 | 83,566 | ... | 8.40 |
| 1971 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January .... | -91 | 4.49 | 7.63 | 5.92 | 5.36 | 99,104 | 83,252 | ... | (NA) |
| February . | -127 | 3.77 | 7.54 | 5.84 | 5.23 | 99,206 | 83,740 | r6.59 | (NA) |
| March. . . | -120 | 3.32 | 7.62 | 5.71 | 5.17 | 99,701 | 83,890 | ... | 7.32 |
| April | -8 | 3.78 | 7.76 | 5.75 | 5.37 | 100,364 | 83,283 |  | 7.37 |
| May.. | $-18$ | 4.1.4. | (1H) 8.25 | (H) 5.96 | 5.90 5.95 | 100,857 | 83,876 | r6.01 | 7.75 |
| June........ | -322 | 4.70 | 8.15 | 5.94 | 5.95 | 101,382 | 83,959 | ... | 7.89 |
| July.. | (H) -658 | (H) 5.40 | 8.24 | 5.91 | (H) 6.06 | 102,143 | 83,414 | . | (H) 7.97 |
| August..... | -606 | 5.08 | 8.14 | 5.78 | 5.82 | 102,970 | 84,715 | r6.51 | 7.92 |
| September.. | -295 | 4.67 | 7.90 | 5.56 | 5.37 | 103,969 | (H) 86,430 |  | 7.84 |
| October . . . | r-153 | 4.49 | 7.72 | 5.46 | 5.06 | (H) 104,893 | 85,737 |  | 7.75 |
| November . . | p-149 | 4.19 | 57.67 | 55.48 | 5.20 | (NA) | p85,657 | 6.18 | 7.62 |
| December | $3-14$ | 4.10 | 7.60 | 5.60 | 5.29 |  | ${ }^{3} 85,086$ |  |  |

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${ }^{1}$ No current high. EThe survey in which these data are collected was revised, beginning with the lst quarter 1971; thus, data from that point are not strictly comparable with earlier data. ${ }^{3}$ Average for weeks ended December 1, 8 , and 15 . ${ }^{4}$ Average for weeks ended December 2, 9, 16, and 23. 'bverage for weeks ended December 3, 10, and 17. Average for weeks ended December 2, 9, and 16 .

| Year and month | B7 COMPOSITE INDEXES |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 810. Twelve leaders, teverse trend adjusted ${ }^{1}$ (series $1,5,6,10,12$, $16,17,19,23$, $29,31,113$ ) | 811. Twelve leaders, prior to trend adjustment (same components as in series 810)$(1967=100)$ | 820. Five coinciders, estimated aggegate economic activity (series 41, 43, 47, 52, 56)(1967=100) | 830. Six laggers (series 44, 61, 62, 67, $71,72)^{2}$ | Leading Indicator Subgroups |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | 813. Marginal employment adjustments (series 1, 2, 3, 5) | 814. Capital investment commitments (series 6, 10, 12, 29) | 815. Inventory investment and purchasing (series 23, 25, 31, 37) | 816. Profitability (series $16,17,19)$ | 817. Sensitive financial flows (series 33, 85, 112,113 ) |
|  |  |  |  | (1967=100) | (1967=100) | (1967=100) | (1967=100) | (1967=100) | (1967=100) |
| 1969 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January. | 114.8 | 107.2 | 215.3 | 116.0 | 103.6 | 110.9 | 100.6 | 101.9 | 105.9 |
| February . | 116.4 | 108.3 | 116.8 | 117.4 | 103.5 | 111.7 | 103.1 | 102.5 | 106.2 |
| March..... | 116.1 | 107.6 | 117.6 | 119.0 | 103.9 | 110.0 | 103.0 | 101.9 | 104.5 |
| April . | 118.0 | 109.0 | 118.1 | 119.8 | 104.7 | 111.7 | 104.6 | 102.2 | 105.3 |
| May . | 118.2 | 108.7 | 119.1 | 121.3 | 104.0 | 110.0 | 104.5 | 103.1 | 105.7 |
| June.. | 117.5 | 107.7 | 119.9 | 123.4 | 103.6 | 109.8 | 103.0 | 101.8 | 105.7 |
| July ... | 117.6 | 107.4 | 120.2 | 125.1 | 103.0 | 110.1 | 105.3 | 100.6 | 102.1 |
| August.... | 117.5 | 106.9 | 121.0 | 127.4 | 102.3 | 109.7 | 105.0 | 99.6 | 102.5 |
| September. | 118.5 | 107.4 | 121.1 | 128.2 | 102.6 | 109.9 | 105.7 | 99.5 | 102.7 |
| October... | 118.2 | 106.7 | 121.9 | 129.2 | 101.9 | 109.1 | 105.9 | 99.3 | 102.6 |
| November ... | 117.4 | 105.6 | 121.9 | 129.9 | 101.2 | 108.5 | 105.2 | 98.9 | 101.9 |
| December ... 1970 | 117.6 | 105.4 | 121.9 | 131.1 | 100.4 | 109.1 | 105.1 | 96.8 | 99.1 |
| January . | 116.2 | 103.7 | 121.0 | 131.9 | 98.3 | 108.0 | 103.9 | 96.5 | 99.2 |
| February. | 116.5 | 103.7 | 121.2 | 131.4 | 96.6 | 108.4 | 105.4 | 95.8 | 100.0 |
| March.... | 115.0 | 101.9 | 121.2 | 131.2 | 94.1 | 105.6 | 104.8 | 95.9 | 98.8 |
| April | 114.9 | 101.5 | 121.6 | 131.3 | 93.2 | 106.1 | 104.2 | 95.5 | 100.6 |
| May ... | 113.8 | 100.1 | 121.0 | 131.0 | 92.9 | 106.3 | 102.4 | 92.8 | 100.5 |
| June... | 114.4 | 100.3 | 121.0 | 131.0 | 93.3 | 106.0 | 103.6 | 92.9 | 100.6 |
| July ......... | 116.2 | 101.5 | 120.9 | 131.7 | 94.4 | 106.5 | 104.2 | 93.5 | 101.4 |
| August....... | 115.2 | 100.2 | 120.8 | 132.3 | 92.9 | 106.3 | 102.5 | 93.6 | 100.1 |
| September... | 114.5 | 99.3 | 120.4 | 131.9 | 90.9 | 105.6 | 102.1 | 93.6 | 98.3 |
| October. . | 113.6 | 98.1 | 118.4 | 130.7 | 89.4 | 105.6 | 101.3 | 93.3 | 93.7 |
| November | 113.7 | 97.8 | 117.4 | 129.3 | 90.4 | 106.2 | 102.6 | 92.0 | 91.4 |
| December | r 116.0 | 99.5 | 118.9 | 127.5 | 91.9 | 107.9 | r101. 8 | 93.3 | 96.5 |
| 1971 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January . . | 118.5 | 101.2 | 120.6 | r126.0 | 93.1 | 108.9 | rl02.9 | 95.2 | 98.5 |
| February.... | r119.7 | 101.9 | 121.4 | r124.4 | 93.7 | 108.6 | r102. 3 | 97.2 | 100.4 |
| March. ....... | r122.0 | r103.4 | 122.0 | r124.7 | 94.1 | 110.1 | rl02.7 | 97.6 | 104.7 |
| April . | 124.0 | r104.8 | 122.6 | r124.0 | 94.1 | 109.8 | (H) rl03.3 | 99.6 | 105.9 |
| May .......... | r 125.0 | r105.2 | 123.5 | r123.4 | ( 93.9 | 111.4 | r102.6 | (H)100.5 | 105.7 |
| June......... | r124.9 | r104.7 | 125.6 | 124.2 | (H) 94.1 | 111.8 | r101.1 | r99.9 | 108.0 |
| July.. | r126.6 | r 105.8 | 124.0 | r124.2 | 93.4 | 113.0 | r102.1 | r99.8 | 109.5 |
| August....... | r126.5 | r105.3 | 124.0 | r126.0 | r93.1 | 113.8 | r102. 3 | r98.7 | (H) $\mathrm{Fl110.2}$ |
| September.... | r126.9 | 105.2 | r125.2 | r126.5 | r92.0 | 112.3 | r101.2 | r99.4 | r108.3 |
| October . . . . . | (128.3 | (1) 106.0 | r125.2 | r126.5 | p92.7 | (T) P 114.2 | rl00.9 | 98.6 | $\mathrm{plO} .7$ |
| November December | (H) ${ }^{3} 128.5$ | ${ }^{3} 105.8$ | (H) P 126.0 | p126.4 | (NA) | pll3.9 | p101.7 | p97.5 | (NA) |

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Graphs of these series are shown on pages 34 and 35.
${ }^{1}$ Reverse trend adjusted index of 12 leaders contains the same trend as the index of 5 coincident indicators.
${ }^{2}$ Data beginning with January 1971 are not strictly comparable with earlier data because of technical changes in the collection of data for one of the components (series 67). For this reason, no current high is indicated.
${ }^{3}$ Excludes series $12,16,31$, and 113 for which data are not yet available.


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Graphs of these series are shown on pages 40,41 , and 42.


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Graphs of these series are shown on pages 43 and 44.
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Graphs of these series are shown on page 45.


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Graphs of these series are shown on pages 46,47 , and 48.
${ }^{2}$ Amount outstanding at end of quarter. ${ }^{2}$ Reserve position at end of quarter. ${ }^{3}$ Balance of payments basis: Exciudes transfers under military grants and Department of Defense sales contracts (exports) and Department of Defense purchases (imports). ${ }^{4}$ Bata for first quarter 1970 to date are not comparable with earlier data.


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Graphs of these series are shown on pages 49 and 50.

| Year and month | D3 FEDERAL GOVERNMENT ACTIVITIES |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Receipts and Expenditures |  |  | Defense Indicators |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 600. Federal surplus (+) or deficit ( - ), national income and product accounts (Ann. rate, bil. dol.) | 601. Federal receipts, national income and product accounts <br> (Ann. rate, bil. dol.) | 602. Federal expenditures, national income and product accounts <br> (Ann. rate, bil. dol.) | 264. National defense purchases <br> (Ann. rate, bil. dol.) | 616. Defense Department obligations, total, excluding military assistance <br> (Mil. dol.) | 621. Defense Department obligations, procurement (Mil. dol.) | 647. New orders, defense products industries <br> (Bil. dol.) | 648. New orders, defense products (Bil.dol.) | 625. Military prime contract awards to U.S. business firms and institutions <br> (Mil. dol.) |
| 1969 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January <br> February March. | ¢+9.1$\ldots$ | 195.6... | 186.5 | 78.3 |  | 2,088 | 4.05 | 1.93 | 3,3983,4472,904 |
|  |  |  |  |  | 7,050 | 2,075 | 3.77 | 2.17 |  |
|  |  |  |  | ... | 6,543 | 1,701 | 3.59 | 2.17 |  |
| April..............$~$ May | …+1.7$\ldots$ | 199.3$\ldots$ | $18 \ddot{7} .6$ | $7 \underset{7}{ } \times$ | 6,520 | 1,638 | 3.73 | 1.95 | 2,825 |
| May . . . . . . . . |  |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & 6,319 \\ & 6,144 \end{aligned}$ | 1,528 | 3.622.91 | 1.83 | 3,070 |
| June............... |  |  | -•• |  |  | 1,550 |  | 1.39 | 2,744 |
| July . . . . . . . | + 9.1 | 195.8 | 190.7 |  |  | 1,447 | 4.03 | 2.45 | 2,896 |
| August. . . . . . |  |  |  | 79.4 | $\begin{aligned} & 6,472 \\ & 6,394 \end{aligned}$ | 1,476 | 3.073.41 | 1.61 | 2,680 |
| September.... | -.. | ... | ... | ... |  | 1,752 |  | 1.44 |  |
| October . . . . . . . . . | +3.4 | 196.8 | 193.4 | 78.4 | $\begin{aligned} & 7,041 \\ & 7,091 \\ & 7,088 \end{aligned}$ | 1,867 | 3.51 | 1.89 | 2,987 |
| November . . . |  |  |  |  |  | 1,820 2,103 | $\begin{aligned} & 3.88 \\ & 3.56 \end{aligned}$ | 2.35 1.93 | 2,734 2,765 |
| $1970$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January . . . . | $-4.5$ | 191.6 | 196.1 | 78.9 | 7,045 | 1,807 | 3.45 | 1.90 | 2,855 |
| February..... |  |  |  |  | 6,516 | 1,523 | 3.59 3.53 | 1.74 | 2,623 |
| March. . . . . . . . . . . | $\ldots$ | ... | -•• | ... | 6,519 | 1,669 | 3.53 | 1.58 | 2,904 |
| April ......... | -14.1$\ldots$ | 193.8 | 207.9 | 75.1... | $\begin{aligned} & 6,643 \\ & 6,118 \\ & 6,505 \end{aligned}$ | 1,559 | 3.373.60 | 1.381.89 |  |
| May .......... |  |  |  |  |  | 1,486 |  |  | 2,545 |
| June......... |  |  |  |  |  | 1,771 | 3.42 | 1.85 |  |
| July ........ | -15.4$\ldots$ | 191.3 | 206.7 | 74.2 | $\begin{aligned} & 7,111 \\ & 6,035 \\ & 6,407 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1,825 \\ & 1,332 \\ & 1,542 \end{aligned}$ | 4.183.673.19 | $\begin{aligned} & 3.07 \\ & 1.85 \\ & 2.00 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 2,717 \\ & 2,782 \\ & 2,113 \end{aligned}$ |
| August....... |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| September... |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| October ............ | -20.5$\ldots$ | 189.3$\ldots$ | 209.8 | $7 \ddot{3} \cdot \underline{2}$$\ldots$ | $\begin{aligned} & 6,251 \\ & 7,166 \\ & 7,195 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1,459 \\ & 2,041 \\ & 2,105 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 3.12 \\ & 3.81 \\ & 3.97 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 2.12 \\ & 2.02 \\ & 2.05 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 3,464 \\ & 2,746 \\ & 3,181 \end{aligned}$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| December$1971$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | - | - | - | - |  |  |  |  |  |
| January . . | -17 | 195.6 | 213.9.. | 73.0 | 7,0556,9886,793 | 2,2392,1711,470 |  |  | 2,5082,6193,398 |
| February... | -17.5 |  |  |  |  |  | 3.253.28 | 2.1761.58 |  |
| March. .... | ... |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| April .. | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ |  | 71.8 | $\begin{array}{r} 6,991 \\ \text { 6,257 } \\ \text { rp6,010 } \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1,686 \\ & 1,329 \\ & 1,252 \end{aligned}$ | 3.503.233.63 | $\begin{aligned} & 1.50 \\ & 1.57 \\ & 1.68 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 2,751 \\ & 2,112 \\ & 2,367 \end{aligned}$ |
| May . . . . . . . . | -22.6 | 198.3 | 220.9 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| June.......... | -•• | -• | -•• |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| July................. <br> August. <br> September | -21.2 | 202.6 | 223.9 | 70.8 | $\begin{aligned} & 7,960 \\ & 6,759 \\ & 5,503 \end{aligned}$ <br> (NA) | $\begin{array}{r} 2,586 \\ 1,572 \\ 1,085 \\ (\mathrm{NA}) \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 4+25 \\ & 3.63 \\ & 3.02 \end{aligned}$ | 2.90 | $\begin{aligned} & 3,082 \\ & 3,219 \\ & 2,647 \end{aligned}$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 2.15 1.47 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1.47 |  |
| October November |  |  |  |  |  |  | r3.25 | r1. 95 | 2,422 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | p3.91 | p2.00 | (NA) |

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Graphs of these series are shown on pages 51 and 52.

| Year and month | D4 PRICE MOVEMENTS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Consumer price indexes |  |  |  | Wholesale price indexes |  |  |  |
|  | 781. All items(@) $(1967=100)$ | 782. Food (1967=100) | 783. Commodities less foods $(1967=100)$ | 784. Services(1) $(1967=100)$ | 750. All commodities (1) $(1967=100)$ | 58. Manufactured goods(1) $(1967=100)$ | 751. Processed foods and feeds $(1967=100)$ | 752. Farm products (1967=100) |
| 1969 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January. | 106.7 | 105.9 | 105.6 | 108.8 | 104.3 | 104.3 | 103.6 | 105.4 |
| February | 107.1 | 105.9 | 106.2 | 109.4 | 104.8 | 104.9 | 103.9 | 105.0 |
| March.... | 108.0 | 106.5 | 107.1 | 110.3 | 105.4 | 105.2 | 104.8 | 106.3 |
| Aprii . | 108.7 | 107.1 | 107.3 | 111.2 | 105.5 | 105.4 | 105.9 | 106.7 |
| May . | 109.0 | 107.7 | 107.6 | 111.7 | 106.3 | 105.8 | 107.4 | 110.0 |
| June........... | 109.7 | 108.8 | 108.0 | 112.2 | 106.8 | 106.3 | 108.1 | 110. 4 |
| July . . | 110.2 | 109.3 | 108.3 | 112.8 | 107.0 | 106.5 | 108.1 | 109.3 |
| August. . | 110.7 | 109.8 | 108.5 | 113.5 | 106.9 | 106.5 | 108.3 | 109.9 |
| September... | 111.2 | 110.5 | 108.8 | 114.3 | 107.1 | 106.8 | 108.2 | 109.3 |
| October..... | 111.6 | 110.4 | 109.3 | 114.7 | 107.4 | 107.4 | 109.3 | 110.3 |
| November . . | 112.2 | 111.9 | 109.6 | 115.3 | 108.1 | 107.8 | 109.8 | 113.0 |
| December .... | 112.9 | 113.0 | 110.0 | 116.1 | 108.6 | 108.1 | 110.6 | 113.5 |
| 1970 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January . | 113.3 | 113.5 | 110.3 | 117.1 | 109.3 | 108.8 | 111.7 | 112.9 |
| February. | 113.9 | 114.3 | 110.5 | 118.0 | 109.7 | 109.1 | 112.0 | 113.5 |
| March. . . . . | 114.5 | 114.4 | 110.7 | 119.3 | 109.9 | 109.3 | 112.4 | 113.6 |
| April ...... | 115.2 | 114.9 | 117.4 | 120.1 | 109.9 | 109.6 | 112.6 | 112.2 |
| May ... | 115.7 | 115.1 | 112.0 | 120.7 | 110.1 | 109.7 | 111.5 | 109.8 |
| June....... | 116.3 | 115.0 | 112.4 | 121.4 | 110.3 | 110.0 | 110.9 | 110.0 |
| July ... | 116.7 | 115.1 | 112.6 | 122.0 | 110.9 | 110.6 | 111.8 | 111.0 |
| August... | 116.9 | 115.1 | 112.9 | 122.7 | 110.5 | 1106 | 112.3 | 109.5 |
| September.... | 117.5 | 115.5 | 113.5 | 123.5 | 111.0 | 110.8 | 112.4 | 112.6 |
| October . . | 118.1 | 215.5 | 114.0 | 124.1 | 111.0 | 111.2 | 112.2 | 110.2 |
| November . | 118.5 | 115.6 | 114.5 | 124.9 | 110.9 | 111.2 | 112.5 | 108.5 |
| December... | 119.1 | 115.5 | 115.3 | 125.6 | 111.0 | 111.2 | 111.6 | 108.2 |
| 1971 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January . | 119.2 | 115.5 | 115.5 | 126.3 | 111.8 | 111.8 | 111.5 | 109.0 |
| February .... | 119.4 | 116.1 | 115.4 | 126.6 | 112.8 | 112.4 | 113.2 | 113.4 |
| March. ...... | 119.8 | 117.2 | 115.6 | 126.6 | 113.0 | 112.7 | 114.3 | 112.0 |
| April . | 120.2 | 118.2 | 115.8 | 126.8 | 113.3 | 113.0 | 114.3 | 113.6 |
| May . ........ | 120.8 | 118.4 | 116.6 | 127.5 | J13.8 | 113.5 | 115.0 | 112.4 |
| June. ........ | 121.5 | 119.0 | 117.0 | 128.2 | 114.3 | 113.8 | 114.1 | 114.3 |
| July.......... | 721.8 | 119.1 | 117.1 |  | 114.6 | 114.5 | 114.5 | 111.0 |
| August........ | r122.1 | 119.2 | r 117.5 | 129.4 $r 129.8$ | 114.9 | 114.9 | 114.8 | 111.2 |
| September.... | r122.2 | 118.9 | $r^{117.5}$ | r129.8 | 114.5 | 114.7 | 114.0 | 110.9 |
| October..... | r122. 4 | 118.9 | r117.5 | r130.0 | 114.4 | 114.5 | 114.6 | 113.8 |
| November <br> December | 122.6 | 119.7 | 117.5 | 130.4 | 114.5 | 114.5 | 115.2 | 113.8 |

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Graphs of these se es are shown on pages 53 and 54.


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Graphs of these series are shown on page 55.
${ }^{1}$ Based on a trend line of 3.5 percent per year (intersecting actual line in middle of 1955) from lat quarter 1952 to 4 th quarter 1962, 3.75 percent from 4 th quarter 1962 to the 4 th quarter 1965, 4 percent from 4th quarter 1965 to 4 th quarter 1969 and 4.3 percent from 4th quarter 1969 to 3 rd quarter 1971.


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Graphs of these series are shown on pages 56 and 57.
${ }^{1}$ See "New Features and Changes for This Issue," page iii.


NOTE: Figures are the percent of series components rising (half of the unchanged components are considered rising). Data are centered within spans: 1 -month indexes are placed on latest month and 9 -month indexes are placed on the 6 th month of span; 1-quarter indexes are placed on the 1st month of the 2d quarter and 3 -quarter indexes are placed on the 1st month of the 3d quarter. Seasonally adjusted components are used except in index D19 which requires no adjustment and index D34 which is adjusted only for the index. Table E4 identifies the components for most of the indexes shown. The " $r$ " indicates revised; " p ", preliminary; and " $N A^{\text {" }}$, not available.

Graphs of these series are shown on page 58.
${ }^{1}$ This is a copyrighted series used by permission; it may not be reproduced without written permission from The Conference Board.
${ }^{2}$ Based on 75 components through March 1970, on 73 components through May 1970, and on 72 components thereafter. Component data are not shown in table E4 but are available from the source agency.
${ }^{3}$ Average for December 7 and 14 .


NOTE: Figures are the percent of series components rising (half of the unchanged components are considered rising). Data are centered within spans: 1 -month indexes are placed on latest month, 6 -month indexes are placed in the 4th month, and 9 -month indexes are placed on the 6 th month of span. Seasonally adjusted components are used except in index D58 which requires no adjustment. Table E4 identifies the components for the indexes shown. The "r" indicates revised; " p ", preliminary; and "NA", not available. Unadjusted series are indicated by (ㄴ).

Graphs of these series are shown on pages 58 and 59.
${ }^{1}$ Component data are not available for publication and therefore are not shown in table E4.
${ }^{2}$ These data are not, comparable with earlier data due to a revised sample.

E4 Selected Diffusion Index Components: Basic Data and Direction of Change


NOTE: To facilitate interpretation, the month-to-month directions of change are shown along with the numbers: $(+)=$ rising, $(0)=$ unchanged, and $(-)=$ falling. $N A=$ not available. $p=$ preliminary. $r=$ revised.
${ }^{1}$ Data are seasonally adjusted by the source agency.
${ }^{2}$ Data for most of the 35 diffusion index components are not available for publication; however, they are all included in the totals and directions of change for six major industry groups shown here.

## E4 Selected Diffusion Index Components: Basic Data and Direction of Change-Con.

| Diffusion index components | 1971 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | April | May | June | July | August | September | October | November | December ${ }^{\text {a }}$ |
| D23. INDEX OF INDUSTRIAL. MATERIALS PRICES ${ }^{2}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Industrial materials price index (1967 =100) . . . . . . . . . . | $+110.2$ | - 108.6 | - 106.1 | - 104.7 | + 106.1 | $+107.5$ | - 107.4 | - 106.9 | - 106.3 |
|  | (Dallars) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Percent rising of 13 components | (81) | (38) | (46) | (58) | (62) | (54) | (46) | (35) | (58) |
| Copper scrap (lb.).... . . . . . . . . . . . | $+\quad .478$ | - 451 | - .445 | $+.464$ | $+.472$ | - . 451 | - .436 | - .404 | - . 393 |
| Lead scrap (lb.) . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | - 0.048 | $+.049$ | $+. .050$ | + 0.054 | $+.056$ | - .056 | - . 055 | - . 055 | $-\quad .054$ |
| Steel scrap (ton). . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 35.380 | - 35.389 | - 32.081 | - 29.787 | $+31.163$ | $+32.673$ | $+35.522$ | - 30.738 | $-29.204$ |
| Tin (lb.)...... | 1.684 | - 1.683 | $+1.687$ | + 1.701 | $+1.704$ | - 1.688 | - 1.681 | $+1.691$ | + 1.695 |
| Zinc (lb.). | .155 | + . 158 | + . 161 | $+.163$ | + .170 | $\text { - } 170$ | - .170 | - 0.169 | $+\quad .170$ |
| Burlap (yd.) | . 182 | . 178 | + . 190 | + . 193 | $\text { - } .187$ | $+\quad .192$ | o . 192 | - .187 | $+.206$ |
| Cotton (lb.), 12-markel average . . . . | $\pm \quad .265$ | + .267 | + . 269 | + . 272 | $+.284$ | + . 291 | $+. .294$ | + . 302 | + .315 |
| Print cloth (yd.), average . . . . . . . . | $+\quad .278$ | - . 266 | + . 273 | - . 273 | - . 266 | - . 265 | + . 266 | . 264 | - .263 |
| Wool tops (lb.). | + 1.091 | - 1.021 | - .979 | - . 909 | - . 903 | + .905 | - .903 | $+. .904$ | $+. .921$ |
| Hides (lb.). | $+\quad .167$ | 0.167 | - . 163 | + . 169 | - . 166 | $+\quad .173$ | $+. .174$ | $+. .185$ | 0.185 |
| Rosin (100 lb.). | + 18.000 | + 18.036 | - 17.968 | - 17.839 | $+17.966$ | - 17.893 | - 17.745 | - 17.662 | + 17.679 |
| Rubber (lb.). | + .196 | - . 195 | - .169 | - . 162 | $+\quad .180$ | - . 178 | + . 179 | - . 171 | $+\quad .175$ |
| Tallow (lb.) | .075 | - .074 | - . 073 | . 071 | - . 070 | + .071 | $-. .069$ | . 067 | $.059$ |
| D41. NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES ON NONAGRICULTURAL PAYROLLS ${ }^{3}$ (Thousands of employees) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All nonagricultural payrolls . . . | +70,599 | $+70,769$ | - 70,657 | - 70,531 | - 70,529 | $+\mathbf{r 7 0 , 8 5 3}$ | - r'70,831 | $+70,915$ |  |
| Percent rising of 30 components | (77) | (80) | (33) | (42) | (55) | (92) | (53) | (63) |  |
| Ordnance and accessories. | 97 | $+\quad 98$ |  | 93 | $+\quad 94$ | - r94 | - r93 | 91 |  |
| Lumber and wood products ........ | $+\quad 488$ | $+\quad 491$ | $+\quad 495$ | $+\quad 500$ | $+\quad 503$ | $+\quad r 509$ | $+\quad r 51_{4}$ | + 517 |  |
| Furniture and fixtures. . . . . . . . . . . | $+372$ | $+\quad 375$ | $+\quad 378$ | $+\quad 380$ | $\text { - } \quad 375$ | $+\quad 383$ | $+\quad r 385$ | + 390 |  |
| Stone, clay , and glass products. . . . | + 498 | $+\quad 502$ | $\text { - } 499$ | $-\quad 496$ | $+\quad 497$ | $+\quad 502$ | $+\quad 505$ | $+\quad 511$ |  |
| Primary metal industries. . . . . . . . . | $+1,008$ | + 1,012 | - 996 | - 965 | - 901 | $+\quad \text { r926 }$ | $+\quad \text { r930 }$ | $+\quad 931$ |  |
| Fabricated metal products. . . . . . . . | 1,014 | + 1,020 | - 1,013 | + 1,016 | - 1,016 | + rl,026 | - rl,021 | $-\quad 1,014$ |  |
| Machinery, except electrical . . . . . . | 1,163 | - 1,159 | - 1,152 | + 1,156 | + 1,159 | + rl,175 | - rl,171 | $+\quad 1,181$ |  |
| Electrical equipment. . . . . | + 1,177 | $+1,184$ | - 1,179 | - 1,169 | - 1,167 | + r1,185 | + r1,190 | + 1,192 |  |
| Transportation equipment . . . . . . . . | 0 1,225 | + 1,253 | - 1,246 | - 1,244 | + 1,248 | + r1,251 | - r1,214 | $+1,192$ $+\quad 1,219$ |  |
| Instruments and related products.... | - 253 | + 255 | + 256 | 1,257 $+\quad 318$ | - 256 | 1260 | + +266 | 1,219 $-\quad 260$ |  |
| Miscellaneous manufacturing. . . . . . | + 317 | + 318 | $\text { - } \quad 318$ | $\text { - } \quad 318$ | - 318 | + r319 | - $\quad 1316$ | +317 |  |
| Food and kindred products . . . . . . . | - 1,181 | + 1,184 | - 1,178 | + 1,188 | - 1,179 | + rl,185 | - r1,154 | $+\quad 1,172$ |  |
| Tobacco manufactures | $4+66$ | $\begin{array}{r} 65 \\ -\quad 84.5 \end{array}$ | - 834 | - 56 | - 56 | $+\quad 58$ | $\text { - } \quad 56$ | $+\quad 57$ |  |
| Textile mill products | $+\quad 840$ | $\begin{array}{r} 845 \\ +\quad 7 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $1 \quad 838$ | $+841$ | - 841 | $\begin{array}{r} 842 \\ +\quad 8 \end{array}$ | $+\quad 1845$ | $+\quad 849$ |  |
| Apparel and other textile products. . | $+1,202$ | + 1,204 | - 1,188 | - 1,179 | $+1,180$ | + r1,189 | + r1,193 | $+\quad 1,201$ |  |
| Paper and allied products . . . . . . . . | $+\quad 527$ | - 519 | + 520 | - $\quad 515$ | + 520 | $\pm \quad r 533$ | - r531 | $0 \quad 531$ |  |
| Printing and publishing. . . . . . . . . . | - 666 | $+\quad 667$ | $0 \quad 667$ | $\text { - } 661$ | $-658$ | + r661 | + r664 | $-\quad 658$ |  |
| Chemicals and allied products. . . . . | $+\quad 584$ | $+\quad 588$ | $-\quad 585$ | $-\quad 582$ | $-\quad 577$ | $+\quad 582$ | - 580 | $0 \quad 580$ |  |
| Petroleum and coal products . . . . . . | 0116 | - 116 | - 115 | - 115 | - 115 | $+\quad 116$ | - 116 | $\text { - } \quad 116$ |  |
| Rubber and plastic products, n.e.c. . | 1 $+\quad 443$ $+\quad 265$ | 1 $+\quad 448$ | + 449 | + 450 | - 447 | $+\quad 458$ | $+\quad r 460$ | - 460 |  |
| Leather and leather products. . . . . . | + 265 | + 266 | - 265 | - 259 | $+264$ | - 261 | - r260 | - 259 |  |
| Mining . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | $+\quad 623$ | 622 | - 619 | - 597 | $+609$ | $+\quad$ r616 | - r519 | - 515 |  |
| Contract construction . . . . . . . . . . . | + 3,282 | - 3,275 | - 3,255 | - 3,228 | - 3,219 | $+r 3,250$ | + r3,289 | $+3.301$ |  |
| Transportation and public utilities. . | - 4,505 | + 4,518 | - 4,500 | - 4,476 | - 4,428 | + r4,460 | - r4,442 | + 4,445 |  |
| Wholesale trade . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | + 3,854 | + 3,866 | - 3,837 | - 3,835 | $+3,844$ | + r3,865 | + r3,876 | - 3,866 |  |
| Retail trade . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | + 11,253 | + 11,282 | + 11,298 | + 11,323 | + 11,379 | +r11,408 | - 11,388 | - 11,345 |  |
| Finance, insurance, real estate. . . . | $+3,769$ | + 3,788 | $+3,807$ | - 3,806 | - 3,804 | + r3,821 | + r3,833 | + 3,854 |  |
| Services. . . . . . . . | 11,843 | + 11, 858 | +11,895 | + 11,921 | +11,946 | +r11,962 | +r12,008 | + $+\quad 12,049$ |  |
| Federal government . . . . . . . . . . . . | 2,667 | - 2,667 | - 2,640 | + 2,643 | + 2,650 | + 2,674 | - r2,675 | - 2,672 |  |
| State and local government . . . . . . . | + 10,164 | + 10,191 | $+10,198$ | - 10,169 | $+10,193$ | - 10,181 | + 10,249 | + 10,2777 |  |

NOTE: To facilitate interpretation, the month-to-month directions of change are shown along with the numbers: $(+)=$ rising, $(0)=$ unchanged, and $(-)=$ falling.
$N A=$ not available. $\quad p=$ preliminary. $\quad r=$ revised.
${ }^{1}$ Average for December 7 and 14 .
${ }^{2}$ Series components are seasonally adjusted by the Bureau of the Census. The industrial materials price index is not seasonally adjusted.
${ }^{3}$ Data are seasonally adjusted by the source agency. Data for the latest month shown are preliminary.

## E4 Selected Diffusion Index Components: Basic Data and Direction of Change--Con.

| Diffusion index components | 1971 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | April | May | June | July | August ${ }^{\text {r }}$ | September $\mathbf{r}$ | 0 ctober ${ }^{\mathbf{r}}$ | November ${ }^{\text {p }}$ |
| D47. INDEX OF INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION ${ }^{1}{ }^{2}$$(1967=100)$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All industrial production | + 106.2 | + 107.0 | $+107.2$ | - 106.1 | - 105.3 | + 106.2 | - 106.2 | $\pm 107.0$ |
| Percent rising of 24 components ${ }^{2}$ | (79) | (56) | (48) | (38) | (48) | (71) | (62) | (75) |
| Durable manufactures: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Primary and fabricated metals . . . . . Primary metals | + 108.7 | $+114.3$ | - 108.1 | - 98.2 | - 81.0 | + 92.3 | $+96.3$ | $+98.0$ |
| Fabricated metal products. . . . . . | + 108.5 | - 108.5 | - 108.5 | + 110.8 | 108.0 | - 105.7 | + 106.3 | 107.2 |
| Machinery and allied goods |  | $\cdots$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Noneletrical machinery . | $+\quad 91.4$ | 90.9 | $+\quad 91.6$ | $\begin{array}{r}+\quad 94.9 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | 94.1 | $+\quad 94.5$ $+\quad 97.8$ | $+\quad 95.6$ $+\quad 98.7$ | $\begin{array}{r}-\quad 93.9 \\ \hline\end{array}$ |
| Electrical machinery.. | $+\quad 97.4$ | + 100.2 | - 99.2 | + 300.2 | - 97.3 | + 97.8 | $+\quad 98.7$ $+\quad 92.7$ | $+\quad 100.0$ $+\quad 92.5$ |
| Transportation equipment | 89.5 | + 90.9 | $+\quad 91.7$ $+\quad 108$ | - 88.5 | $+\quad 91.1$ $-\quad 109.1$ | $+\quad 91.7$ $+\quad 110.5$ | $+\quad 92.2$ | $+\quad 92.5$ $+\quad 112.8$ |
| Instruments. . . . . . . . | + 106.7 | $+108.0$ | + 108.5 | + 110.9 | - 109.1 | + 110.5 | - 110.5 | + 112.8 |
| Lumber, clay, and glass. . . . . . |  |  | 1170 | 8.7 |  |  |  | + 112.5 |
| Clay, glass, and stone products | + 113.3 | + 113.7 | - 111.1 | - 108.7 | + 108.8 | $+109.4$ | + pl09.5 | (NA) |
| Lumber and products...... . | + 112.5 | - 110.0 | + 111.0 | $+115.4$ | - 113.1 | + 113.9 | + pll4.3 | (NA) |
| Furniture and miscellaneous. | + 987 |  | + 100.9 |  |  |  |  | - 112.2 |
| Furniture and fixtures. | + 98.7 | - 97.6 | $+100.9$ | - 99.9 | - 99.6 | + 101.0 | (NA) | (NA) |
| Miscellaneous manufactures | + 119.3 | + 121.2 | - 120.7 | + 126.1 | - 122.0 | + 122.9 | - p122.4 | (NA) |
| Nondurable manufactures: ${ }_{\text {N }}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Textiles, apparel, and leather. |  | 100.0 | $+\quad \ddot{\square}$ | $\ddot{\square}$ | + $\quad 30$ | $+100$ | + 103.0 |  |
| Textile mill products. .... | $+106.3$ | + 107.5 | + 113.2 | - 108.5 | + 170.5 | $+\quad 111.0$ | - pl10.0 | (NA) |
| Apparel products. . . | + 97.3 | $+\quad 99.7$ | 97.1 | - 97.0 | - $\quad 96.0$ | + pl00.3 | (NA) | (NA) |
| Leather and products. | + 89.9 | - 89.8 | - 89.3 | - 86.7 | - 84.1 | + 87.6 | - p86.2 | (NA) |
| Paper and printing. . |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Paper and products | $+114.4$ | $+\quad 115.1$ | - 113.4 | $+\quad 115.5$ | + 117.8 | - 110.2 | + pl12.4 | (NA) |
| Printing and publishing . | $+101.8$ | - 101.4 | - 101.0 | - 101.0 | $+\quad 101.7$ | + 102.9 | + 104.6 | + 106.1 |
| Chemicals, petroleum, and rubber |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | + 125.8 |
| Chemicals and products. . | + 123.4 | + 123.7 | + 126.8 | - 125.0 | $+127.6$ | $+129.5$ | - 127.2 | + 127.6 |
| Petroleum products . . . | - 115.8 | - 112.7 | + 115.0 | - 114.8 | + 115.8 | - 113.7 | $+\mathrm{pl14.0}$ | (NA) |
| Rubber and plastics products. | $+124.5$ | + 135.4 | - 129.1 | - 128.0 | + 129.9 | - 129.1 | - pl24.6 | (NA) |
| Foods and tobacco. | -••• | . ${ }^{\circ}$ | -••• | -•• | ... |  | - 111.1 | $+112.2$ |
| Foods. | + 114.1 | $+114.6$ | + 115.4 | - 115.2 | - 114.0 | - 112.0 | - 112.0 | $+113.2$ |
| Tobacco products | + 96.9 | $+\quad 100.3$ | - 92.1 | + 96.6 | + 98.2 | + pl00.3 | (NA) | (NA) |
| Mining: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Coal | - 115.5 | - 110.2 | $-\quad 109.4$ | - 109.4 | - 109.4 | + 109.7 | - 28.5 | + 59.1 |
| Oil and gas extraction . . . . | + 114.3 | - 109.6 | $+\quad 110.0$ | - 109.2 | - 108.8 | - 107.7 | - 106.2 | - 105.1 |
| Metal, stone, and earth minerals |  |  |  | 93.0 |  |  |  | $+\quad 109.3$ |
| Metal mining . . . . . . . . Stone and earth minerals | 124.7 | - 122.6 | $-\quad 117.3$ $+\quad 96.4$ | - $\quad 93.5$ | $+\quad 104.8$ $+\quad 91$ | $\begin{array}{rr}+ & 109.7 \\ -\quad 90.0\end{array}$ | + pl17.9 | (NA) <br> (NA) |
| Stone and earth minerals | - 94.2 | - 92.4 | + 96.4 | - 90.2 | + 91.4 | - 90.0 | + p91.2 | (NA) |

NOTE: To facilitate interpretation, the month-to-month directions of change are shown along with the numbers: $(+)=$ rising, $(0)=$ unchanged, and $(-)=$ falling. $N A=$ not available $. \quad p=$ preliminary $. \quad r=$ revised.
${ }^{1}$ Data are seasonally adjusted by the source agency.
${ }^{2}$ Where actual data for separate industries are not available, estimates are used to compute the percent rising.

## E4 Selected Diffusion Index Components: Basic Data and Direction of Change-Con.

| Diffusion index components | 1971 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | April | May | June | July | August | September | October | November |
| D54. SALES OF RETAIL STORES ${ }^{12}$ (Millions of dollars) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All retail sales, | + 33,578 | - 33,502 | $+33,827$ | - 33,688 | + 34,655 | + r35,219 | -p34,846 | (NA) |
| Percent rising of 23 components ${ }^{3}$. . . . . . . . . | (74) | (52) | (74) | (NA) | (87) | (39) | (54) | (NA) |
| Grocery stores | + 6,620 | $+6,656$ | - 6,642 | 6,878 | + 6,950 | + r6,993 | - p6,886 | (NA) |
| Eating and drinking places | + 2,349 | + 2,411 | + 2,427 | 2,567 | $+2,614$ | - r2,573 | + p2,644 | (NA) |
| Department stores. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | + 3,582 | - 3,562 | + 3,743 | 3,472 | $+3,511$ | + r3,618 | -p3,547 | (NA) |
| Mail-order houses (department store merchandise). . . | - 338 | - 303 | $+368$ | 354 | + 384 | - r370 | + p375 | (NA) |
| Variety stores | - 602 | + 641 | - 632 | 571 | + 577 | - r571 | + p575 | (NA) |
| Men's and boys' wear stores . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | + 388 | + 392 | $+\quad 403$ $+\quad 737$ | 389 | + 409 | - r385 | + p389 | (NA) |
| Women's apparel, accessory stores . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | - 677 | + 770 | + 737 | 694 | - 686 | - r666 | - p655 | (NA) |
| Shoe stores . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | + 270 | 266 | - 263 | 285 | + 294 | - r284 | + p288 | (NA) |
| Furniture, home furnishings stores. . . . . . . . . . . . . | - 868 | - 854 | + 867 | 926 | + 936 | - r903 | + p952 | (NA) |
| Household appliance, TV, radio stores. . . . . . . . . . . | + 475 | - 472 | + 505 | 480 | + 509 | - r477 | + p523 | (NA) |
| Lumber yards, building materials dealers......... . | + 1,024 | + 1,055 | + 1,111 | 1,135 | + 1,186 | - r1,179 | + pl,196 | (NA) |
| Hardware stores . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | + 276 | + 292 | + 320 | 303 | + 307 | + r309 | + p316 | (NA) |
| Passenger car and other automotive dealers . . . . . . . | + 5,836 | - 5,640 | + 5,762 | 5,910 | $+6,284$ | + r6,809 | - p6,491 | (NA) |
| Tire, battery, accessory dealers. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | + 511 | - 491 | + 505 | 521 | + 546 | + r556 | - p530 | (NA) |
| Gasoline service stations . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | + 2,270 | + 2,277 | + 2,308 | 2,433 | + 2,511 | + r2,523 | - p2,470 | (NA) |
| Drug and proprietary stores . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | + 1,120 | - 1,104 | - 1,097 $+\quad 739$ | 1,126 | $+\quad 1,169$ | - rl,138 | - pl, 132 | (NA) |
| Liquor stores . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | - 702 | + 710 | + 739 | 734 | + 741 | + r754 | - p754 | (NA) |

D58. INDEX OF WHOLESALE PRICES MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES *
( $1967=100$ )

| All manufacturing industries. $\qquad$ <br> Percent rising of 22 components $\qquad$ | $\begin{array}{r} 113.0 \\ (68) \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 113.5 \\ (73) \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 113.8 \\ (73) \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} +\quad 114.5 \\ (86) \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} +\quad 114.9 \\ (91) \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 114.7 \\ (39) \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} -\quad 114.5 \\ (25) \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{rr} \text { o } \quad 214.5 \\ (46) \end{array}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Durable goods: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lumber and wood product | $+124.6$ | + 124.9 | + 126.1 | + 130.6 | $\pm 134.6$ | 134.3 | - 131.8 | - 131.3 |
| Furniture and household dura | + 109.7 | + 109.9 | - 109.8 | + 110.0 | $+110.2$ | 110.2 | - 110.2 | - 110.2 |
| Nonmetallic mineral products | + 121.6 | + 121.8 | + 122.2 | 123.3 | $+124.2$ | 124.2 | - 124.1 | - 124.0 |
| Iron and steel. | + 118.4 | + 120.1 | $+120.3$ | + 121.9 | + 125.3 | + 125.6 | - 125.5 | - 125.3 |
| Nonferrous metals | + 117.2 | - 117.2 | - 116.4 | 116.9 | + 117.1 | 116.5 | - 116.3 | - 116.0 |
| Fabricated structural metal produc | + 116.8 | + 117.3 | + 117.9 | 118.2 | 119.6 | 120.3 | - 120.3 | - 120.3 |
| Miscellaneous metal products | + 118.0 | + 118.2 | + 118.7 | + 119.3 | $+119.8$ | + 119.9 | - 119.7 | - 119.7 |
| General purpose machinery and equipment | + 118.3 | + 118.7 | $+119.3$ | + 119.8 | + 120.3 | 120.2 | - 120.2 | - 120.2 |
| Miscellaneous machinery | + 117.0 | + 117.2 | - 117.2 | 117.3 | 118.0 | 117.8 | - 117.8 | - 117.8 |
| Electrical machinery and equi | - 109.5 | - 109.4 | - 109.4 | + 109.5 | + 109.9 | 109.7 | - 109.6 | - 109.3 |
| Motor vehicles and equipment | + 114.1 | + 114.2 | $+114.4$ | $+\quad 114.7$ | + 114.9 | 113.8 | + 115.2 | + 115.3 |
| Miscellaneous products. | - 112.7 | - 112.5 | $+112.6$ | + 112.8 | + 113.0 | - 113.0 | - 113.0 | + 113.1 |
| Nondurable goods: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Processed foods and feed | - 113.5 | $+114.5$ | $+114.9$ | 116.0 | 115.4 | 114.6 | - 114.1 | $+114.4$ |
| Cotton products | + 108.9 | $+109.6$ | + 110.9 | + 111.9 | + 112.5 | 112.2 | - 112.2 | + 112.5 |
| Wool products. | - 94.4 | - 93.5 | - 93.4 | 92.6 | + 92.7 | 92.5 | - 92.4 | - 92.3 |
| Manmade fiber textile prod | + 98.6 | + 99.7 | + 101.4 | + 101.9 | + 103.1 | - 103.1 | - 102.5 | + 103.2 |
| Apparel | -112.2 | - 112.2 | + 112.3 | + 113.3 | + 113.6 | + 113.8 | - 113.8 | - 113.8 |
| Pulp, paper, and allied produc | + 109.6 | + 109.9 | + 110.2 | + 110.5 | + 110.6 | - 110.6 | - 110.6 | - 110.6 |
| Chemicals and allied products | - 104.5 | - 104.3 | $+104.4$ | 104.4 | 104.3 | 104.3 | - 104.2 | - 103.8 |
| Petroleum products, refined. | 105.3 | + 107.4 | - 107.4 | 107.2 | + 107.3 | 107.3 | - 106.3 | - 106.2 |
| Rubber and plastic products | - 109.0 | - 108.7 | - 108.7 | $+\quad 109.7$ | + 109.8 | 109.7 | - 109.5 | - 109.5 |
| Hides, skins, leather, and related products | $+114.0$ | + 114.4 | 114.2 | 114.2 | + 114.4 | $+114.7$ | - 114.7 | + 115.1 |

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${ }^{1}$ Data are seasonally adjusted by the source agency. Data for the latest month shown are preliminary.
${ }^{2}$ Data on total retail sales are based on a new sample. Component data shown are based on the new sample beginning with July and on the old sample for earlier months.
${ }^{3}$ The diffusion index includes estimates for six types of stores not shown separately.
${ }^{4}$ Data are not seasonally adjusted.


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Graphs of these series are shown on pages 61 and 62.

| Year and month | F2 INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION--Continued |  |  |  | F3 STOCK PRICES |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 125. West Germany, index of industrial production $(1967=100)$ | 128. Japan, index of industrial production $(1967=100)$ | 121. OECD, ${ }^{1}$ European countries, index of industrial production $(1967=100)$ | 127. Italy, index of industrial production $(1967=100)$ | 19. United States, index of stock prices, 500 common stocks (1) $(1967=100)$ | 143. Canada, index of stock prices (u) $(1967=100)$ | 142. United Kingdom, index of stock prices (a) $(1967=100)$ | 146. France, index of stock prices(ㅁ) $(1967=100)$ | 145. West Germany, index of stock prices(@) $(1967=100)$ | 148. Japan, index of stock prices(a) $(1967=100)$ | 147. Italy, index of stock prices(1) $(1967=100)$ |
| 1969 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January . | 122 | 126 | 115 | 113 | 111 | 114 | 165 | 112 | 136 | 129 | 100 |
| February | 123 | 128 | 114 | 110 | 110 | 114 | 159 | 126 | 137 | 131 | 98 |
| March... | 124 | 126 | 116 | 114 | 108 | 111 | 153 | 136 | 138 | 132 | 100 |
| April . | 125 | 134 | 117 | 115 | 110 | 114 | 151 | 134 | 139 | 137 | 112 |
| May. | 126 | 134 | 118 | 113 | $11{ }_{4}$ | 120 | 143 | 142 | 145 | 142 | 113 |
| June. . | 128 | 136 | 119 | 116 | 108 | 112 | 133 | 130 | 147 | 14.4 | 111 |
| July... | 126 | 139 | 119 | 116 | 103 | 107 | 128 | 127 | 142 | 141 | 108 |
| August. | 127 | 138 | 119 | 114 | 102 | 106 | 128 | 133 | 148 | 139 | 112 |
| September | 127 | 143 | 118 | 108 | 103 | 109 | 130 | 133 | 150 | 147 | 113 |
| October . | 130 | 146 | 119 | 102 | 104 | 110 | 127 | 142 | 156 | 150 | 120 |
| November . | 132 | 145 | 119 | 101 | 105 | 114 | 129 | 140 | 164 | 156 | 121 |
| December | 134 | 149 | 120 | 105 | 99 | 114 | 132 | 145 | 159 | 161 | 115 |
| 1970 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January . | 134 | 148 | 122 | 118 | 98 | 115 | 139 | 153 | 152 | 167 | 116 |
| February. | 136 | 152 | 124 | 119 | 95 | 113 | 135 | 149 | 149 | 165 | 116 |
| March.... | 136 | 154 | 124 | 120 | 96 | 116 | 131 | 146 | 147 | 172 | 116 |
| April . | 135 | 157 | 125 | 118 | 93 | 113 | 129 | 140 | 147 | 171 | 120 |
| May . | 138 | 157 | 125 | 117 | 83 | 97 | 116 | 136 | 135 | 14.8 | 112 |
| June...... | 134 | 163 | 123 | 116 | 82 | 94 | 113 | 132 | 129 | 149 | 106 |
| July . | 135 | 164 | 124 | 118 | 82 | 93 | 215 | 136 | 127 | 150 | 103 |
| August.... | 133 | 162 | 124 | 112 | 85 | 95 | 118 | 138 | 133 | 151 | 107 |
| September.. | 132 | 164 | 124 | 119 | 90 | 99 | 120 | 135 | 128 | 148 | 103 |
| October. | 135 | 163 | 125 | 117 | 92 | 101 | 128 | 137 | 126 | 14.5 | 101 |
| November | 133 | 160 | 125 | 120 | 92 | 100 | 120 | 134 | 121 | 145 | 96 |
| December | 134 | 164 | 125 | 118 | 98 | 104 | 121 | 135 | 119 | 140 | 94 |
| 1971 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January . | 141 | 164 | 127 | 117 | 102 | 108 | 123 | 136 | 125 | 145 | 97. |
| February.... | 140 | 164 | 127 | 117 | 106 | 108 | 122 | 139 | 134 | 151 | 94 |
| March. . . . | 138 | 168 | 126 | 116 | 108 | 109 | 120 | 137 | 137 | 161 | 93 |
| April | 140 | 165 | 127 | 113 | 112 | 112 | 131 | 137 | 135 | 171 | 89 |
| May . | 137 | 158 | 126 | 113 | 111 | 108 | 146 | 141 | 138 | 172 | 85 |
| June........ | 139 | 168 | 128 | 113 | 108 | 109 | 147 | 140 | 137 | 182 | 83 |
| July . . . . . . . . | 139 | 169 | 128 | 111 | 108 | 109 | 157 | 141 | 135 | 190 | 83 |
| August. . | r132 | 168 | 125 | r105 | 106 | 107 | 158 | 135 | 136 | 179 | 82 |
| September | p136 | r171 | p128 | p116 | 108 | 108 | 164 | 128 | 129 | 170 | 78 |
| October...... | (NA) | p167 | (NA) | (NA) | 106 | 100 | 160 | rp117 | 124 | 166 | . 979 |
| November .... |  | (NA) |  |  | 101 | . 98 | 161 | p114 | 124 | 168 | p76 |
| December.... |  |  |  |  | pl07 | pl05 | pl69 | p119 | p131 | p178 | p77 |

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Graphs of these series are shown on pages 62 and 63.
Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development.
A. MCD and Related Measures of Variability

Part 1. Monthly Series: Average Percentage Changes

| Monthly series | Period covered | $\overline{\mathrm{Cl}}$ | T | $\bar{C}$ | $\bar{T} / \bar{C}$ | MCD | $\overline{\mathrm{I}} / \overline{\mathrm{C}}$ for MCD span | Average duration of run (ADR) |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Cl | 1 | C | MCD |
| B. CYCLICAL INDICATORS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| *1. Average workweek of production workers, mfg | Jan. '53-Aug. '71 | 0.46 | 0.42 | 0.17 | 2.48 | 3 | 0.84 | 2.25 | 1.50 | 10.14 | 3.81 |
| *5. Avg. initial claims, State unemploy, insurance | Jan. '53-Dec. '70 . . | 4.86 | 4.32 | 2.10 | 2.06 | 3 | . 73 | 1.79 | 1.48 | 14.33 | 4.10 |
| *6. New orders, durable goods industries . . . . . . | Jan. '53-Jul. 71. | 3.37 | 3.00 | 1.26 | 2.38 | 3 | . 79 | 1.82 | 1.61 | 10.09 | 3.67 |
| 8. Construction contracts, total value. | Jan. '53-June '70 . . | 6.68 | 6.41 | 1.54 | 4.15 | 5 | . 87 | 1.56 | 1.45 | 8.71 | 3.15 |
| 9. Construction contracts, commercial and indus. | Jan. '53-June '70 . . | 9.08 | 8.94 | 1.12 | 8.00 | 6 | (1) | 1.56 | 1.51 | 14.93 | 2.91 |
| *10. Contracts and orders, plant and equipment . . . . . . | Jan. '53-Jul. '71 .. | 5.00 | 4.71 | 1.39 | 3.39 | 4 | . 89 | 1.66 | 1.53 | 8.22 | 3.17 |
| *12. Index of net business formation . . . . . . . . . . . . . | Jan. '53-Apr. '71... | . 85 | . 63 | . 60 | 1.05 | 2 | . 57 | 2.67 | 1.56 | 6.44 | 4.36 |
| 13. New business incorporations | Jan. '53-Apr. '71.. | 2.50 | 2.23 | . 93 | 2.41 | 3 | . 83 | 1.82 | 1.56 | 8.76 | 3.14 |
| 14. Liabilities of business failures (1). | Jan. '53-Feb. '71.. | 22.11 | 21.50 | 2.20 | 9.77 | 6 | ${ }^{1}$ ) | 1.51 | 1.47 | 10.85 | 2.65 |
| *17. Ratio, price to unit labor cost, manufacturing | Jan. '53-Aug. '71... | . 62 | . 55 | . 27 | 2.06 | 3 | . 81 | 1.94 | 1.56 | 7.96 | 3.40 |
| *19. Stock prices, 500 common stocks (1)...... | Jan. '53-June '70 . | 2.49 | 1.74 | 1.59 | 1.09 | 2 | . 62 | 2.46 | 1.63 | 9.09 | 4.08 |
| *23. Industrial materials prices (4) ..... | Jan. '53-June '70. | 1.39 | . 98 | . 88 | 1.11 | 2 | . 69 | 2.65 | 1.77 | 9.95 | 3.78 |
| 24. New orders, producers' capital goods industr | Jan. '53-Jul. '71 .. | 4.29 | 3.93 | 1.40 | 2.80 | 3 | . 98 | 1.85 | 1.61 | 11.10 | 3.06 |
| 28. New private housing units started, total ${ }^{2}$. | Jan. '59-May '70 .. | 7.05 | 6.74 | 1.52 | 4.44 | 5 | . 84 | 1.64 | 1.53 | 7.56 | 2.81 |
| *29. New building permits, private housing | Jan. '53-May '71 . . | 4.16 | 3.60 | 1.73 | 2.08 | 3 | . 69 | 1.85 | 1.46 | 11.00 | 3.35 |
| *41. Employees on nonagricultural payrolls | Jan. '53-Aug. '71. . | . 29 | . 13 | . 25 | . 51 | 1 | . 51 | 5.57 | 1.52 | 18.58 | 5.57 |
| 42. Persons engaged in nonagricultural activities | Jan. '53-Dec. '70 . | . 33 | . 25 | . 20 | 1.25 | 2 | . 64 | 2.29 | 1.58 | 14.33 | 3.57 |
| 46. Help-wanted advertising | Jan. '53-Dec. '69.. | 2.55 | 1.49 | 1.97 | . 76 | 1 | . 76 | 3.50 | 1.43 | 10.15 | 3.50 |
| *47. Industrial production... | Jan. '53-Aug. '71 . . | . 88 | . 51 | . 68 | . 74 | 1 | . 74 | 3.64 | 1.55 | 11.11 | 3.64 |
| 48. Man-hours in nonagricultural establishn | Jan. '53-July '71 . . | . 40 | . 29 | . 28 | 1.02 | 2 | . 53 | 2.77 | 1.50 | 13.06 | 4.80 |
| *52. Personal income | Jan. '53-June '71. . | . 58 | . 25 | . 52 | . 49 | 1 | . 49 | 5.97 | 1.59 | 31.57 | 5.97 |
| 53. Wages, salaries in mining, mfg., cons | Jan. '53-Aug. '71 . . | . 80 | . 50 | . 60 | . 84 | 1 | . 84 | 2.82 | 1.54 | 14.87 | 2.82 |
| *54. Sales of retail stores. . . . . . . . | Jan. '53-Sep. $70 .$. | . 91 | . 77 | . 45 | 1.72 | 2 | . 96 | 2.08 | 1.56 | 17.67 | 3.15 |
| 55. Wholesale prices, industrial commodities (u) | Jan. '53-0ct. ' 70 . . | . 19 | .10 | . 16 | . 67 | 1 | .67 | 4.73 | 1.72 | 11.21 | 4.73 |
| *56. Manufacturing and trade sales ................. | Jan. '53-June '71 . . | 1.00 | .75 | . 57 | 1.32 | 2 | . 76 | 2.54 | 1.66 | 20.09 | 4.00 |
| 58. Wholesale prices, manufactured goods @1. | Jan. '53-0ct. '70 .. | . 21 | . 14 | . 16 | . 89 | 1 | . 89 | 3.80 | 1.64 | 8.52 | 3.80 |
| *62. Labor cost per unit of output, manufacturing . . . . . | Jan. '53-Aug. '71 . | . 59 | . 49 | . 28 | 1.73 | 1 | . 97 | 2.12 | 1.60 | 10.62 | 3.52 |
| 65. Book value, mfrs.' inventories of finished goods... | Jan. '53-June '71 .. | . 61 | . 27 | . 54 | . 51 | 1 | . 51 | 3.75 | 1.44 | 15.79 | 3.75 |
| 66. Consumer installment debt. . . . | Jan. '53-Sep. '70 . | . 81 | . 10 | .79 | . 13 | 1 | . 1.3 | 16.31 | 1.59 | 30.29 | 16.31 |
| 69. Machinery and equipment sales and business construction expenditures | Jan. '53-June '71 .. | 1.75 | 1.41 | . 90 | 1.57 | 2 | . 83 | 1.96 | 1.55 | 15.79 | 3.14 |
| *71. Book value, manufacturing and trade inventories. . . | Jan. '53-June '71.. | . 52 | . 18 | . 50 | . 35 | 1 | . 35 | 7.62 | 1.48 | 31.57 | 7.62 |
| *72. Commercial and industrial loans outstanding ..... | Jan. '53-May '71 .. | . 86 | . 29 | . 81 | . 36 | 1 | .36 | 8.15 | 1.62 | 20.00 | 8.15 |
| 96. Unfilled orders, durable goors industries . . . . . . . . | Jan. '53-Jul. '71 .. | 1.29 | . 49 | 1.12 | . 44 | 1 | . 44 | 4.83 | 1.67 | 13.06 | 4.83 |
| 810. 12 leading indicators, reverse trend adjusted | Jan. '53-sune '70.. | . 95 | . 54 | . 76 | . 71 | 1 | . 71 | 3.87 | 1.54 | 11.00 | 3.87 |
| 813. Marginal employment adjustments . . . . . . . . . . . | Jan. '53-Apr. '71 .. | . 89 | . 50 | . 65 | . 78 | 1 | . 78 | 3.42 | 1.66 | 9.13 | 3.42 |
| 814. Capital investment commitments | Jan. '53-June '70. | . 85 | . 66 | . 48 | 1.38 | 2 | . 64 | 2.01 | 1.46 | 9.95 | 4.08 |
| 815. Inventory investment and purchasing | Jan. '53-June '70. | . 84 | . 70 | . 43 | 1.63 | 2 | . 92 | 2.18 | 1.58 | 9.95 | 3.01 |
| 816. Profitability............................... | Jan. '53-June '70 .. | . 93 | . 53 | . 68 | . 77 | 1 | . 77 | 3.12 | 1.71 | 7.74 | 3.12 |
| 817. Sensitive financial flows | Jan. '53-Apr. '71 .. | . 96 | . 84 | . 39 | 2.15 | 3 | . 95 | 2.01 | 1.68 | 8.42 | 3.95 |
| 820. 5 coincident indicators. | Jan. '53-July ' $71 .$. | . 90 | . 45 | . 74 | . 61 | 1 | . 61 | 5.29 | 1.48 | 14.80 | 5.29 |
| 830. 6 lagging indicators . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | Jan. '53-July '71 . . | . 86 | . 30 | . 80 | .37 | 1 | .37 | 7.16 | 1.53 | 17.08 | 7.16 |
| D. OTHER KEY INDICATORS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 58. Wholesale prices, manufactured goods @ | Jan. '53-0ct. '70 . . | . 21 | . 14 | . 16 | . 89 |  | . 89 | 3.80 | 1.64 | 8.52 | 3.80 |
| 502. Exports, excluding military aid .. | Jan. '59-May '71 . . | 6.31 | 6.22 | . 75 | 8.27 | 6 | (1) | 1.61 | 1.61 | 13.45 | 3.04 |
| 506. Export orders, durables except motor vehicles | Jan. '63-Jan. '71.. | 12.17 | 12.00 | 1.25 | 9.64. | 6 | (1) | 1.41 | 1.37 | 13.71 | 2.12 |
| 508. Export orders, nonelectrical machinery. . . . . . . . . | Jan. '57-Dec. '70 . . | 6.35 | 6.05 | 1.71 | 3.54 | 4 | . 90 | 1.65 | 1.52 | 7.95 | 2.88 |
| 512. General imports . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | Jan. '59-May '71 . . | 4.52 | 4.18 | 1.13 | 3.71 | 4 | . 98 | 1.92 | 1.78 | 8.71 | 3.37 |
| 616. Defense Department obligations, total . . . . . . . . | July '53-Sep. '70 . . | 12.31 | 12.06 | 1.23 | 9.82 | 6 | (1) | 1.51 | 1.51 | 6.65 | 2.21 |
| 621. Defense Department obligations, procurement. . . . | Jan. '56-Dec. '70 . . | 23.36 | 23.17 | 2.01 | 11.53 | 6 | $(1)$ <br> $(1)$ <br> 1 | 1.47 | 1.46 | 8.52 | 2.15 |
| 625. Military contract awards in U.S... | Jan. '53-Dec. '70 . | 19.35 | 19.26 | 2.37 | 8.12 | 6 | (1) | 1.43 | 1.40 | 9.77 | 2.28 |
| 647. New orders, defense products industries | Jan. '53-Jul. '71 . . | 18.22 | 18.10 | 1.46 | 12.39 | 6 | ( ${ }^{1}$ ) | 1.57 2 | 1.51 | 11.10 | 2.36 |
| 750. Wholesale prices, all commodities (1) | Jan. '53-Sep. '70 . | . 30 | . 24 | .15 | 1.54 | 2 | . 89 | 2.72 | 1.68 | 9.64 | 4.14 |
| 751. Wholesale prices, processed foods and feeds..... | Jan. '53-May '71. . | . 59 | . 48 | . 32 | 1.50 | 2 | . 93 | 2.62 | 1.63 | 11.00 | 3.65 |
| 752. Wholesale prices, farm products . . . . . . . . . . . . | Jan. '53-May '71.. | 1.15 | 1.02 | . 48 | 2.13 | 3 | . 88 | 1.91 | 1.56 | 8.46 | 3.96 |
| 781. Consumer prices, all items (u). | Jan. '53-0ct. '70 .. | . 23 | . 11 | . 20 | .56 .0 | 1 | . 56 | 5.07 | 1.61 | 12.53 7.86 | 5.07 4.21 |
| 782. Consumer prices, food . .................... | Jan. '53-May '71. .- | . 39 | . 26 | . 25 | 1.04 | 2 | . 63 | 2.82 3.91 | 1.71 | 7.86 14.15 | 4.21 |
| 783. Consumer prices, commodities less foods . . . . . . | Jan. '56-May '71 .. | . 21 | . 127 | . 17 | .71 .24 | 1 | . 71 | 3.91 59.00 | 1.50 1.59 | 14.15 177.00 | 3.91 59.00 |

See footnotes and definitions of measures at end of part 1.

Part 1. Monthly Series: Average Percentage Changes-Continued

| Monthly series | Period covered | $\overline{\mathrm{Cl}}$ | $T$ | $\overline{\mathrm{C}}$ | $\overline{1} / \bar{C}$ | MCD | $\begin{aligned} & \overline{1} / \bar{C} \\ & \text { for } \\ & \text { MCD } \\ & \text { span } \end{aligned}$ | Average duration of run (ADR) |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Cl | 1 | C | MCD |
| E. ANALYTICAL MEASURES |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 851. Ratio, inventories to sales, mfg. and trade. | Jan. '53-June '71. . | 0.92 | 0.81 | 0.41 | 1.94 | 3 | 0.72 | 2.80 | 1.59 | 8.50 | 4.87 |
| 852. Ratio, unfilled orders to shipments, durable goods. | Jan. '53-June '71. . | 1.84 | 1.59 | . 83 | 1.91 | 3 | . 76 | 2.19 | 1.69 | 11.63 | 3.98 |
| 853. Ratio, production of bus. equip. to consumer goods. | Jan. '53-Jul. '71.. | 1.07 | . 80 | . 72 | 1.10 | 2 | . 57 | 2.88 | 1.52 | 9.65 | 4.70 |
| 856. Real avg. hourly earnings, production workers, mfg. | Jan. '53-June '70. . | . 38 | . 35 | . 17 | 2.05 | 3 | . 78 | 3.03 | 1.57 | 9.95 | 6.27 |
| 859. Real spendable average weekly earnings, nonagri. production or nonsupv. workers | Jan. '60-Aug. '71. . | . 34 | . 30 | . 14 | 2.11 | 3 | . 74 | 2.11 | 1.70 | 9.93 | 3.61 |
| F. INTERNATIONAL COMPARISONS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 121. OECD European countries, industrial production . . | Jan. '53-May '71 .. | . 90 | . 90 | . 55 | 1.64 | 2 | . 87 | 4.58 | 1.63 | 24.44 | 7.30 |
| 122. United Kingdom, industrial production. . . . . . . . . . | Jan. '53-May '71 . . | 1.08 | 1.04 | . 37 | 2.81 | 3 | . 98 | 2.62 | 1.51 | 9.57 | 4.84 |
| 123. Canada, industrial production. | Jan. '53-May '71.. | 1.00 | . 97 | . 51 | 1.91 | 2 | . 91 | 3.28 | 1.55 | 14.67 | 5.92 |
| 125. West Germany, industrial production | Jan. '53-June '71. | 1.30 | 1.21 | . 65 | 1.87 | 2 | . 94 | 2.95 | 1.55 | 22.10 | 5.50 |
| 126. France, industrial production ..... | Jan. '53-May '71.. | 1.67 | 1.68 | . 62 | 2.71 | 4 | . 78 | 3.39 | 1.58 | 13.56 | 7.30 |
| 127. Italy, industrial production | Jan. '53-May '71 . . | 1.60 | 1.47 | $\begin{array}{r}.73 \\ \hline .70\end{array}$ | 2.01 | 3 | . 75 | 2.86 4.70 | 1.69 | 22.00 14.73 | 7.79 9.57 |
| 128. Japan, industrial production | Jan. '53-June ' 71. | 1.71 | 1.49 | 1.20 | 1.24 | 2 | . 59 | 4.70 | 1.52 | 14.73 | 9.57 |
| 132. United Kingdom, consumer prices(1) | Jan. '53-April '70. | . 47 | . 48 | . 30 | 1.61 | 2 | . 96 | 6.68 | 1.72 | 15.92 | 7.10 |
| 133. Canada, consumer prices (1)... | Jan. '53-June '70. | . 27 | . 32 | . 21 | 1.52 | 2 | . 80 | 9.95 | 1.90 | 13.06 | 14.86 |
| 135. West Germany, consumer prices(u) | Jan. '53-June '70.. | . 32 | . 36 | . 23 | 1.60 | 3 | . 69 | 8.36 | 1.94 | 13.06 | 11.50 |
| 136. France, consumer prices(1) | Jan. '53-May '70 . | . 51 | . 43 | . 40 | 1.07 | 2 | . 55 | 8.32 | 1.56 | 10.40 | 9.00 |
| 137. Italy, consumer prices (l). | Jan. '53-Apr. '70 .. | . 32 | . 34 | . 30 | 1.13 | 2 | . 61 | 18.82 | 1.77 | 8.28 | 22.89 |
| 138. Japan, consumer prices(1). | Jan. '53-June '70.. | . 81 | . 73 | . 41 | 1.81 | 3 | . 68 | 3.17 | 1.61 | 12.29 | 6.47 |
| 142. United Kingdom, stock prices (1). | Jan. '53-June '70.. | 3.18 | 2.41 | 1.81 | 1.33 | 2 | . 84 | 2.75 | 1.79 | 8.36 | 3.71 |
| 143. Canada, stock prices (u). . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | Jan. '53-June '70-. | 2.78 | 2.19 | 1.53 | 1.43 | 2 | . 94 | 3.03 | 1.77 | 9.95 | 3.92 |
| 145. West Germany, stock prices (1). | Jan. '53-June '70.. | 3.23 | 2.03 | 2.27 | . 90 | 1 | . 90 | 3.54 | 1.80 | 7.74 | 3.54 |
| 146. France, stock prices (1). . . . | Jan. '53-June '70.. | 3.97 | 3.30 | 1.88 | 1.75 | 3 | . 68 | 2.43 | 1.70 | 7.21 | 4.22 |
| 147. Italy, stock prices(1). | Jan. '53-June '70 . . | 3.63 | 2.95 | 1.73 | 1.71 | 3 | . 78 | 2.40 | 1.87 | 8.36 | 4.81 |
| 148. Japan, stock prices (1) . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | Jan. '53-June '70 . | 3.57 | 2.45 | 2.24 | 1.09 | 2 | . 67 | 3.12 | 1.67 | 7.21 | 4.62 |

*Series included in the 1966 NBER "short list" of 26 indicators.
(1). Measures are based on unadjusted data.
${ }^{1}$ Not shown

## BRIEF DEFINITIONS OF ME ASURES SHOWN IN PART 1

The following are brief definitions; more complete explanations appear in Electronic Computers and Business Indicators, by Julius Shiskin, issued as Occasional Paper 57 by the National Bureau of Economic Research, 1957 (reprinted from Journal of Business, October 1957).
" $\overline{\mathrm{CI}}$ " is the average month-to-month percentage change, without regard to sign, in the seasonally adjusted series (i.e., the series after adjustment for measurable seasonal, trading-day, and holiday variations).
" $\overline{\mathrm{C}}^{\prime}$ " is the same for the cyclical component, a smooth, flexible moving average of the seasonally adjusted series.
" $\overline{\mathrm{I}}$ " is the same for the irregular component, obtained by dividing the cyclical component into the seasonally adjusted series.
"MCD" (months for cyclical dominance) provides an estimate of the appropriate time span over which to observe cyclical movements in a monthly series. It is small for smooth series and large for irregular series. In deriving MCD, percentage changes are computed separately for the irregular component and the cyclical component over 1-month spans (Jan.-Feb., Feb.-Mar., etc.), 2-month spans (Jan.-Mar., Feb.-Apr., etc.), up to 12 -month spans. Averages, without regard to sign, are then computed for the changes over each span. MCD is the shortest span in months for which the
average percentage change (without regard to sign) in the cyclical component is larger than the average percentage change (without regard to sign) in the irregular component, and remains so. Thus, it indicates the point at which fluctuations in the seasonally adjusted series became dominated by cyclical rather than irregular movements. All series with an MCD greater than " 5 " are shown as " 6 ".
" $\overline{\mathrm{I}} / \overline{\mathrm{C}}$ " is a measure of the relative smoothness (small values) or irregularity (large values) of the seasonally adjusted series. It is shown for 1 -month spans and for spans of the period of MCD. When MCD is " 6 ", no $\overline{\mathrm{I}} / \overline{\mathrm{C}}$ ratio is shown for the MCD period.
"Average Duration of Run" (ADR) is another measure of smoothness and is equal to the average number of consecutive monthly changes in the same direction in any series of observations. When there is no change between 2 months, a change in the same direction as the preceding change is assumed. The ADR is shown for the seasonally adjusted series CI, irregular component I, cyclical component C, and the MCD curve. The MCD curve is an unweighted moving average (with the number of terms equal to MCD) of the seasonally adjusted series.

A comparison of these measures of ADR with the expected ADR of a random series gives an indication of whether the
changes approximate those of a random series. Over lmonth intervals in a random series, the expected value of the ADR is 1.5 . The actual value of ADR falls between 1.36 and 1.75 about 95 percent of the time. Over 1 -month intervals in a moving average (MCD) of a random series, the expected value of ADR is 2.0 . For example, the ADR of CI is 1.75 for the series on average weekly initial claims, State unemployment insurance (series 5). This indicates that 1 -month changes in the seasonally adjusted series, on the average, reverse sign about as often as expected in a random series. The ADR measures shown in the next two columns, 1.47 for I and 12.00 for C , suggest that the seasonally
adjusted series has been successfully separated into an essentially random component and a cyclical (nonrandom) component. Finally, ADR is 4.13 for the MCD moving average. This indicates that a 3 -month moving average of the seasonally adjusted series ( 3 months being the MCD span) reverses direction, on the average, about every 4 months. The increase in the ADR from 1.75 for CI to 4.13 for the MCD moving average indicates that, for this series, month-to-month changes in the MCD moving average usually reflect the underlying cyclical trend movements of the series, whereas the month-to-month changes in the seasonally adjusted series usually do not.

## A. MCD and Related Measures of Variability.-Continued <br> Part 2. Monthly Series: Average Actual Changes

| Monthly series | Period covered | Unit of measure | $\overline{\mathrm{Cl}}$ | I | $\overline{\mathrm{C}}$ | $\overline{\mathrm{I}} / \overline{\mathrm{C}}$ | MCD | $\begin{aligned} & \overline{1} / \bar{C} \\ & \text { for } \\ & \text { MCD } \\ & \text { span } \end{aligned}$ | Average duration of run (ADR) |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Cl | 1 | C | MCD |
| B. CYCLICAL INDICATORS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2. Accession rate, manufacturing | Jan. '53-Jul. '71. | Per 100 employees . | 0.18 | 0.17 | 0.05 | 3.08 | 4 | . 81 | 2.02 | 1.52 | 9.65 | 3.37 |
| 3. Layoff rate, manufacturing... | Jan. '53-June '70. | . .do..... . | . 15 | . 14 | . 06 | 2.33 | 3 | . 82 | 2.32 | 1.51 | 9.95 | 5.31 |
| 20. Change in book value, manufacturers' inventories of materials, supplies. | Jan. '53-June '71. | Ann. rate, bil. dol. | 1.46 | 1.44 | . 19 | 7.59 | 6 | $\left({ }^{1}\right)$ | 1.61 | 1.52 | 10.52 | 2.81 |
| 21. Avg. wkly. overtime hrs., prod. workers, mfg. | Jan. '56-Aug. '71. | Hours. . | . 09 | . 08 | . 04 | 1.97 | 3 | . 65 | 3.53 | 1.52 | 11.69 | 6.85 |
| 25. Change in unfilled orders, dur. goods indus. . | Jan. '53-June '71. | Bil. dol. . | . 51 | .49 | . 13 | 3.80 | 5 | . 90 | 1.79 | 1.56 | 7.66 | 2.99 |
| 26. Buying policy, production materials, commitments 60 days or longer @. . . . . . . . . . . . | Jan. '53-0ct. '70. | Pct. reporting | 5.71 | 5.57 | 1.06 | 5.23 | 6 | ( ${ }^{1}$ ) | 1.81 | 1.65 | 11.21 | 4.62 |
| 31. Change in book value, manufacturing and trade inventories . | Jan. '53-June '71. | Ann. rate, bil. dol. | 4.05 | 4.00 | . 54 | 7.40 | 6 | ${ }^{1}$ ) | 1.41 | 1.39 | 11.05 | 2.63 |
| 32. Vendor performance, percent reporting slower deliveries (1) | Jan. '53-Feb. '71. | Pct. reporting | 3.58 | 2.94 | 1.83 | 1.60 | 3 | . 73 | 2.82 | 1.79 | 8.35 | 4.57 |
| 33. Change in mortgage debt . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | Jan. '55-Dec. '70. | Ann. rate, bil. dol. . . . | 1.27 | 1.11 | . 43 | 2.60 | 3 | . 89 | 1.87 | 1.57 | 11.24 | 3.10 |
| 37. Purchased materials, percent reporting higher inventories | Jan. '53-0ct. '70 . | Pct. reporting | 5.12 | 4.84 | 1.54 | 3.15 | 4 | . 98 | 2.17 | 1.69 | 7.61 | 4.57 |
| 39. Delinquency rate, installment loans $2 \because$ | Jan. '53-Dec. '70. | Percent .... | . 08 | . 07 | . 02 | 3.79 | 5 | . 92 | 2.17 | 1.87 | 7.41 | 4.59 |
| 40. Unemployment rate, married males . . . . . . . . | Jan. '55-Mar. '71. | . . . do. . . . . | . 15 | . 12 | . 08 | 1.56 | 2 | . 84 | 3.53 | 1.47 | 10.78 | 4.49 |
| *43. Unemployment rate, total................ . | Jan. '53-Mar. '71. | . . . do. | . 17 | . 14 | .10 | 1.43 | 2 | . 76 | 2.60 | 1.47 | 9.91 | 3.95 |
| *44. Unemployment rate, 15 weeks and over .... | Jan. '53-Dec. '70. | do | . 07 | . 06 | . 05 | 1.22 | 2 | . 62 | 4.67 | 1.60 | 6.72 | 6.29 |
| 45. Average weekly insured unemploy, rate . . . . | Jan. '53-0ct. '70. | do | .16 | . 09 | .12 | . 74 | 1 | .74 | 4.63 | 1.75 | 8.19 | 4.63 |
| 85. Change in money supply | Jan. '53-Nov. '70. | Ann. rate, percent. . . | 2.89 | 2.89 | . 48 | 6.06 | 6 | (1) | 1.61 | 1.48 | 6.69 | 2.82 |
| 93. Free reserves (1) . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | Jan. '53-June '70. | Mil. dol. . . . . | 94.10 | 74.67 | +8.15 | 1.55 | 2 | . 93 | 2.05 | 1.58 | 9.95 | 3.20 |
| 102. Change in money supply plus time deposits at comm. banks (M2) | Jan. '53-May '71. | Ann. rate, percent. . . . | 2.46 | 2.45 | . 53 | 4.63 | 5 | . 97 | 1.54 | 1.50 | 6.47 | 2.16 |
| 103. Change in money sup. plus time dep. at banks and nonbank inst. (M3) . . . . . . | Feb. '64-Mar '71. | $\ldots$ do | 1.76 | 1.68 | . 66 | 2.56 | 3 | . 92 | 1.73 | 2.60 | 9.44 | 3.61 |
| 112. Change in business loans . . . . . . . . . . . . . | Aug. '59-Jun. '71. | Ann. rate, bil. dol. | 2.57 | 2.52 | . 50 | 5.09 | 6 | ${ }^{1}$ ) | 1.69 | 1.50 | 6.50 | 3.18 |
| *113. Change in consumer installment debt. | Jan. '53-Sep. '70. | ...do.. | . 95 | . 87 | . 33 | 2.66 | 3 | . 93 | 1.71 | 1.56 | 11.78 | 3.13 |
| 114. Treasury bill rate(u) | Jan. '53-0ct. 770. | Percent . ... | . 16 | . 11 | .11 | 1.02 | 2 | . 66 | 2.63 | 1.82 | 6.66 | 3.79 |
| 115. Treasury bond yields (4) | Jan. '53-0ct. '70. | . . . do. | . 08 | . 06 | . 04 | 1.59 | 3 | . 74 | 2.66 | 1.90 | 8.19 | 4.69 |
| 116. Corporate bond yields (1) | Jan. '53-0ct. '70. | . . do | . 12 | . 11 | . 06 | 1.65 | 3 | . 71 | 2.39 | 1.69 | 10.65 | 3.98 |
| 117. Municipal bond yields (u) | Jan. '53-0ct. '70. | .. do | . 10 | . 08 | . 04 | 1.88 | 3 | . 83 | 2.57 | 1.85 | 8.88 | 4.22 |
| 118. Mortgage yields, residential (1). . . . . . . . . . | Jan. '53-0ct. '70. | .. do | . 68 | .73 | . 11 | 6.61 | 6 | ${ }^{1}$ ) | 4.63 | 2.37 | 6.09 | 6.12 |
| D. OTHER KEY INDICATORS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 500. Merchandise trade balance . . . . . . . . . . . . . | Jan. '58-May '71. | MiI. dol. | 104.3 | 101.3 | 19.3 | 5.25 | 6 | ${ }^{1}$ ) | 1.54 | 1.43 | 6.96 | 2.63 |

*Series included in the 1966 NBER "short list" of 26 indicators. when MCD is " $6.0{ }^{2}$ Bimonthly series; average changes, MCD, and average durations of run are for bimonthly spans.

## BRIEF DEFINITIONS OF MEASURES SHOWN IN PART 2

These measures are computed by an additive method. This method is used for series with zero or negative data and for other series where it seems appropriate, such as series expressed in percent.

Thus, " $\overline{\mathrm{CI}}$ " is the average month-to-month change in the seasonally adjusted series. This average is computed without regard to sign and is expressed in the same unit of measure as the series itself.
" $\overline{\mathrm{C}}$ " is the same for the cyclical component, which is a moving average of the seasonally adjusted series.
" $\bar{I}$ " is the same for the irregular component, which is determined by subtracting the cyclical component from the seasonally adjusted series.

## A. QCD and Related Measures of Variability

Part 1. Quarterly Series: Average Percentage Changes

| Quarterly series | Periodcovered | $\overline{\mathrm{Cl}}$ | T | $\overline{\mathrm{c}}$ | $\overline{\mathrm{T}} / \overline{\mathrm{C}}$ | QCD | $\begin{aligned} & \overline{1} \bar{c} \\ & \text { for } \\ & \text { foc } \\ & \text { spana } \end{aligned}$ | Average duration of run(ADR) |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | c | 1 | c | QCD |
| A. national income and produ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 200. GNP in current dollars |  | 1.59 | . 30 | 1.54 | . 19 |  | . 19 | 7.67 | 1.30 | 9.86 | . 67 |
| 205. GNP in 1958 dollars | 10 533.10070 | 1.18 | . 30 | 1.07 |  | 1 | . 28 | 3.63 | 1.30 |  |  |
| 210. Implicit price defitato | 10,53-112 70. | . 61 | . 12 |  | . 13 | 1 | . 18 | 17. | 1.33 | 34.50 |  |
| 21. Per capia GNP in curren doliar | $10 \cdot 53 \cdot 1100770$ | 1.30 | . 31 | 1.26 | . 23 | 1 | . 23 | 6.45 | 1.31 | 10. |  |
| 22. Per capita GNP in 1958 dobliars | $10.53 .110^{\prime} 70$. | 1.66 | . 31 |  | . 35 | 1 | . 35 | 4.4 | 1.27 | 7.10 | 4,4 |
| 222. Personal income, current dollars | $10^{1} 53.11{ }^{\text {c }} 770$. | 1.54 | . 22 | 1.51 | . 15 | 1 | . 15 | 13.80 | 1.25 | 13.80 | 7.67 13.80 |
| 224. Disposable personal income, current dollars.... <br> 225. Disposable personal income, constann toil ars.... <br> 227. Per capita dispossable personal income, constant dollars <br> 230. Total personal consumption expenditures, current dollars. <br> 231. Total personai consumption expenditures, constani dollars. | 10,53 | 1.49 | . 27 | 1.44 | 19 | 1 | . 19 | 13.80 | 1.35 | 69.00 | 3.80 |
|  |  |  | . 29 | 1.00 | . 29 |  | . 29 | 6.27 | 1.35 |  |  |
|  | Q ${ }^{5} 53$-VQ $770 .$. | 1.17 | . 24 | 1.13 | . 22 | 1 | . 22 | 6.45 | 1.29 | 10.14 | 5 |
|  | Q '53-VQ '70... | . 82 | . 28 | . 73 | . 39 | 1 | . 39 | 4.44 | 1.37 | 7.10 | 4.44 |
|  | QQ '53-1il 70. | 1.47 | . 33 | 1.43 | . 23 | 1 | . 23 | 9.86 | 1.25 | 69.00 | 9.86 |
|  | 10 '53-110 70. | 1.02 | . 37 |  | . 37 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 232. Personal consumption expenditures, durable goods 233. Personal consumption expenditures, durable goods except automobiles | $1 Q^{\prime} 53.11 Q^{\prime} 77$. | 3.05 | 1.47 | 2.32 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | . 64 | 1 | . 64 | 2.76 | 1.19 | 4.60 | 2.76 |
|  | IR ${ }^{\prime}$ | 2.09 | . 85 | 1.84 | . 46 | 1 | . 46 | 4.31 | 1.28 | 6.90 | 31 |
| Personal consumption expeni., automobies |  | 6.00 | 3.62 | 4.01 | .90 |  | . 90 | 2.38 | 1.25 |  |  |
| 236. Personal consumption expend. nondurabie goods. |  | 1.23 | . 20 | ${ }_{1}^{1.19}$ | 12 | 1 | . 37 | 6.27 69.00 | 1.30 | 34.50 69.00 | 69.00 |
| 240. Gross private domestic investment, tota |  | 4.56 | 2.08 | 3.37 | . 62 | 1 | . 62 | 2.56 | 1.41 | 4.31 | . 56 |
| 241. Total nonresidential fixed investment | 10'53-12 70 | 2.56 | . 83 | 2.38 | . 35 |  | . 35 | 4.60 | 1.33 | 6.27 | 60 |
| Fixed investment, nonresidential structures | $10 \cdot 53-112$ | 2.74 | 1.65 | 2.13 | . 78 |  | . 78 | 2.30 | 1.23 | 4.06 | 2.30 |
| 243. Fixed investment, producers' durable equipme | $10,53-10.70$ | ( $\begin{aligned} & 3.12 \\ & 3.44 \\ & 3\end{aligned}$ | 1.15 |  | . 43 |  | . 43 | 2.88 | 1.23 | 4.31 |  |
| 244. Fixed investment, residential structures. | 1Q 533 -10 770. | 3.44 | 1.12 | 3.10 | . 36 |  | . 36 | 3.45 | 1.33 | 6.27 | 3.45 |
| 252. Exports of goods and sevvices. | 10 $53.11 \mathrm{ll} \mathrm{P}^{\prime} 70$. | 3.79 | 2.40 | 2.63 | . 91 |  | . 91 | 2.76 | 1.35 | 5.31 | 76 |
| 253. Imporis of goods and services. | 10.53.110 70. | 3.18 | 1.86 | 2.37 | . 79 | , | . 719 | 2.76 | 1.30 | ${ }^{6} 6.27$ | ${ }_{5}^{2.76}$ |
| 260. Gov. purchases or goods and services, tial | QQ $53 \times 110870$ | 2.22 | . 92 | 1.91 | . 48 |  | . 48 | 2.88 | 1.28 |  |  |
| 262. Fedeeal Gove purchases of good and serives |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| services for national defense.... | $10^{5} 53.110$ | 2.19 | 83 | 1.82 | 45 |  | . 45 | . 65 | 1.23 | 4.60 |  |
| State and local gov. purchases, goods and ser | 1Q '53-110 70. | 2.35 | 4 | 2.34 | 19 | 1 | . 19 | 23.00 | 1.28 | 23.00 | 23.00 |
| Final sales, du | $10^{\prime} 53.110 .70$. | 2.19 | . 87 | 1.88 | . 46 |  | . 46 | 3.29 | 1.30 | 7.67 | 3.29 |
| 274. Final sales, nondurabie eoods | $10^{18} 533.1181780$. | 1.30 |  | 1.24 |  |  | . 40 | 6.27 | 1.25 | 17.25 | 6.27 |
| 280. Compensation of employees.. | 18 533 -l\| 70. | 1.68 | . 24 | 1.64 | . 14 | 1 | . 14 | 9.86 | 1.30 | 9.86 |  |
| 282. Proprietors' income. | 10,533112.770. | 1.21 | . 61 | 92 | . 62 | 1 | . 62 | 2.46 | . 35 | 5.75 |  |
| 286. Corp. profits and inventory valuation adjustment | $10.533-110.70$ | 4.10 | 2.10 | 3.20 | . 66 | 1 | . 66 | 9.86 | 1.35 | 6.27 | 88 |
| 290. Gross saving, private and government |  |  | 2.28 | 3.61 | . 63 |  | . 63 | 3.12 |  |  |  |
| 292. Personal saving. | QQ 533.116 ' $70 . .$. | 8. ${ }^{7}$ | 6.87 | 4.90 | 1.40 | 2 | . 50 | 1.53 | 1.30 | 4.06 | 俍 |
| 294. Undistributed corporate profits plus inventory valuation adjustment |  | 8.98 | 5.35 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Capital consumption allowances .......... | 1Q 53.110 | 1.82 | . 34 | 1.78 | . 19 | 1 | . 19 | 23.00 | 1.30 | 23.00 | 23.00 |
| B. CYCLICAL Indicators |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 11. New capital appropriations, manufacturing |  | 8.37 | 4.31 | 6.35 |  | 1 | . 68 | 2.61 | 1.26 | 3.32 | 2.61 |
| *16. Corporate por | 18,53-110 |  | 2.79 |  | . 75 |  | . 75 | 2.65 | 21 | 4.06 | 2.65 |
|  | 1Q ${ }^{\text {¢ } 53} 31110$ | 1.48 | . 30 | 1.46 | . 21 |  | . 21 | 13.80 | 1.21 | 3.80 | 30 |
| *61. Business ex | Q ${ }^{\text {5 } 53-\mathrm{VQ}}$ '69... | 2.90 | . 97 | 2.65 | . 37 |  | . 37 | 3.94 | 1.16 | 6.09 | 3.94 |
| 68. Labor cost per unit or gross |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 97. Backlog of capital appropriations, manulacturing. | $10.53-1010$ | 4.97 | . 86 | $\stackrel{.79}{ }$ | . 18 |  | . 46 | ${ }_{3}^{4.06}$ | 1.28 | 5.31 | 4.06 |
| Total private borrowing | 10 '53-1VQ ${ }^{\text {'70 }}$ | 9.77 | 6.36 | 6.82 | . 93 | 1 | . 93 | 2.54 | 1.22 | 3.74 | 2.54 |
| GNP in current dollars | 1Q 533 -110 ${ }^{\text {c }}$ ' | 1.59 | 30 | 1.5 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| *205. GNP in 1958 dollars. |  | 1.18 | . 30 | 1.07 | . 28 | 1 | . 28 | 3.63 | 1.30 | 6.90 | 63 |
| c. Anticipations and intention |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 61a. Business expend, new plant and equipment.....410.Manufacturest's sales, total value ......... |  | 2.88 | 1.12 |  | . 4 | 1 | . 44 | 3.40 | 1.16 | 5.67 | 3.40 |
|  | Q $\mathrm{S}^{57} 7 \mathrm{HIIQ}$ '71 | 2.21 | . 83 | 1.72 | . 48 | 1 | . 48 | 4.83 | 1.38 | 7. |  |
|  | 10 57-1ILQ | 1.46 | . 25 | 1.42 | . 17 |  | . 17 | 8.29 |  |  |  |
|  | IQ ${ }^{59}$-VQ |  | 5.39 |  |  |  | . 56 |  |  | 3.13 |  |
|  | HQ '57-IIQ | 2.73 | 1.45 | . 77 | . 82 |  | . 82 |  | 1.13 |  |  |

See definitions of measures at end of part 1.

## A. QCD and Related Measures of Variability.-Continued

Part 1. Quarterly Series: Average Percentage Changes-Continued

| Quarterly series | Period covered | $\overline{\mathrm{Cl}}$ | 1 | $\overline{\mathrm{C}}$ | $\overline{1} / \bar{C}$ | QCD | $\begin{aligned} & \text { T/C } \\ & \text { for } \\ & \text { QCD } \\ & \text { span } \end{aligned}$ | Average duration of run (ADR) |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Cl | 1 | C | QCD |
| D. OTHER KEY INDICATORS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 252. Exports of goods and services. | 10 '60-11Q '70. | 3.79 | 2.40 | 2.63 | . 91 | 1 | . 91 | 2.76 | 1.35 | 5.31 | 2.76 |
| 253. Imports of goods and services. | IQ '60-IIQ $70 . .$. | 3.18 | 1.86 | 2.37 | . 79 | 1 | . 79 | 2.76 | 1.30 | 6.27 | 2.76 |
| 264. National defense purchases. | IQ '53-IIQ '70. . . | 2.19 | . 83 | 1.82 | . 45 | 1 | . 45 | 2.65 | 1.23 | 4.60 | 2.65 |
| 530. Liquid liabilities to all foreigners . . . . . . . . . . . | IQ '60-1Q '70... | 2.62 | 1.06 | 2.09 | . 51 | 1 | . 51 | 2.35 | 1.29 | 2.86 | 2.35 |
| 532. Liquid and certain nonliquid liabilities to foreign official agencies. | 1Q '60-1Q '70... | 4.38 | 2.85 | 2.84 | 1.00 | 2 | . 33 | 2.11 | 1.14 | 3.08 | 2.60 |
| 534. U.S. official reserve assets. | IQ '60-1Q '70... | 2.19 | 1.14 | 1.80 | . 63 | 1 | . 63 | 2.86 | 1.29 | 3.64 | 2.86 |
| 536. Merchandise exports, adjusted. . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 10' $60 \cdot 1 Q^{\prime} 70 \ldots$. | 4.59 | 3.39 | 2.58 | 1.31 | 2 | . 62 | 1.74 | 1.38 | 3.64 | 3.55 |
| 537. Merchandise imports, adjusted. . . . . . . . . . . . . . | IQ '60-1Q '70... | 4.40 | 2.60 | 3.16 | . 82 | 1 | . 82 | 3.08 | 1.29 | 6.67 | 3.08 |
| 540. Investment income, military sales, and other services, exports. <br> 541. Foreign investment income, military expenditures, | 1Q '60-1Q '70 . . . | 3.49 | 2.14 | 2.60 | . 82 | 2 | - 82 | 1.90 | 1.33 | 8.00 | 1.90 |
| and other services, imports.................... | IQ '60-1Q '70... | 2.57 | 1.34 | 2.07 | . 65 | 1 | . 65 | 2.50 | 1.21 | 6.67 | 2.50 |
| 542. Income on U.S. investments abroad | 10 '60-10 '70... | 5.64 | 3.72 | 3.72 | 1.00 | 2 | . 40 | 1.90 | 1.18 | 3.64 | 3.00 |
| 543. Income on foreign investments in U.S. . . . . . . . . . | 10' $60-10^{\prime} 70 . .$. | 4.98 | 1.89 | 4.77 | . 40 | 1 | . 40 | 5.00 | 1.18 | 6.67 | 5.00 |
| 544. Receipts from foreign travelers in U.S. . . . . . . . . | IQ ' $60-10{ }^{\prime} 70 \ldots$. | 3.32 | 1.73 | 2.69 | . 64 | 1 | . 64 | 3.08 | 1.38 | 4.44 | 3.08 |
| 545. Payments by U.S. travelers abroad | 1Q '60-1Q '70 | 3.88 | 2.58 | 2.61 | . 99 | 1 | . 99 | 2.35 | 1.21 | 3.64 | 2.35 |
| 546. Military sales to foreigners . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 1Q '60-1Q '70... | 18.40 | 14.24 | 9.02 | 1.58 | 2 | . 68 | 1.43 | 1.25 | 2.22 | 2.17 |
| 547. U.S. military expenditures abroad . . . . . . . . . . . | 1Q '60-1Q '70... | 3.56 | 2.16 | 2.51 | . 86 | 1 | . 86 | 2.11 | 1.29 | 3.64 | 2.11 |
| 548. Receipts from transportation and other services. . . | IC ' $60 \cdot 10{ }^{\prime} 70 \ldots$ | 2.60 | 1.69 | 1.98 | . 85 | 1 | . 85 | 3.08 | 1.25 | 13.33 | 3.08 |
| 549. Payments for transportation and other services ... | 10 '60-10 '70... | 3.34 | 2.42 | 1.84 | 1.31 | 2 | . 58 | 1.82 | 1.21 | 6.67 | 2.79 |
| 601. Fed. receipts, nat'l. income and product accts. . . . | 10 $53.11 Q^{7} 70 . .$. | 2.53 | . 90 | 2.33 | . 38 | 1 | . 38 | 3.63 | 1.30 | 6.27 | 3.63 |
| 602. Fed. expend., nat'I. income and product accts. . . | IQ '53-IIQ '70.... | 2.15 | . 90 | 1.90 | . 47 | 1 | . 47 | 4.60 | 1.25 | 6.27 | 4.60 |
| E. ANALYTICAL MEASURES |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 854. Ratio, personal saving to disposable personal income | IQ '53•IIQ '70 . . | 8.48 | 6.81 | 4.67 | 1.46 | 2 | 54 | 1.47 | 1.30 | 3.63 | 3.24 |
| 858. Output per man-hour, total private nonfarm. | 10 '53-110 71... | . 85 | . 38 | . 69 | . 54 | 1 | . 54 | 3.17 | 1.28 | 6.64 | 3.17 |

*Series included in the 1966 NBER "short list" of 26 indicators.

## BRIEF DEFINITIONS OF MEASURES SHOWN IN PART 1

The following are brief definitions; more complete explanations appear in Electronic Computers and Business Indicators, by Julius Shiskin, issued as Occasional Paper 57 by the National Bureau of Economic Research, 1957 (reprinted from Journal of Business, October 1957)
" $\overline{\mathrm{CI}}$ " is the average quarter-to-quarter percentage change, without regard to sign, in the seasonally adjusted series or, if the series contains no measurable seasonal, in the unadjusted series.
" $\overline{\mathrm{C}}$ " is the same for the cyclical component, a smooth, flexible moving average of the seasonally adjusted series.
" $\overline{\mathrm{I}}$ " is the same for the irregular component, obtained by dividing the cyclical component into the seasonally adjusted series.
"QCD" (quarters for cyclical dominance) provides an estimate of the appropriate time span over which to observe cyclical movements in a quarterly series. It is small for smooth series and large for irregular series. In deriving QCD, percentage changes are computed separately for the irregular component and the cyclical component over 1-quarter spans (1st quarter-2d quarter, 2d quarter-3d quarter, etc.), 2-quarter spans (1st quarter-3d quarter, 2d quarter-4th quarter, etc.), up to 4 -quarter spans. Averages, without regard to sign, are then computed for the changes over each span. QCD is the shortest span in quarters for which the average percentage change (without regard to sign) in the cyclical component is larger than the average percentage change (without regard to sign) in the irregular component,
and remains so. Thus, it indicates the point at which fluctuations in the seasonally adjusted series became dominated by cyclical rather than irregular movements. All series with a QCD greater than " 2 " are shown as " 3 "
" $\overline{\mathrm{I}} / \overline{\mathrm{C}}$ " is a measure of the relative smoothness (small values) or irregularity (large values) of the seasonally adjusted series. It is shown for l-quarter spans and for spans of the period of QCD. WhenQCD is " 3 ", no $\overline{\mathrm{I}} / \mathrm{C}$ ratio is shown for the QCD period.
"Average Duration of Run" (ADR) is another measure of smoothness and is equal to the average number of consecutive quarterly changes in the same direction in any series of observations. When there is no change between 2 quarters, a change in the same direction as the preceding change is assumed. The ADR is shown for the seasonally adjusted series CI, irregular component I, cyclical component C, and the QCD curve. The QCD curve is an unweighted moving average (with the number of terms equal to QCD ) of the seasonally adjusted series.

A comparison of these measures of ADR with the expected $A D R$ of a random series gives an indication of whether the changes approximate those of a random series. Over 1 quarter intervals in a random series, the expected value of the ADR is 1.5 . The actual value of ADR falls between 1.36 and 1.75 about 95 percent of the time. Over 1 -quarter intervals in a moving average (QCD) of a random series, the expected value of $A D R$ is 2.0 . For example, the $A D R$ of $C I$ is 1.47 for the series on the ratio of personal saving to disposable personal income (series 854). This indicates that 1-quarter
changes in the seasonally adjusted series, on the average, reverse sign about as often as expected in a random series. The ADR measures shown in the next two columns, 1.30 for I and 3.63 for C, suggest that the seasonally adjusted series has been successfully separated into an essentially random component and a cyclical (nonrandom) component. Finally, ADR is 3.24 for the QCD moving average. This indicates that a 2-quarter moving average of the seasonally adjusted series
(2 quarters being the QCD span) reverses direction, on the average, about every 3 quarters. The increase in the ADR from 1.47 for CI to 3.24 for the QCD moving average indicates that, for this series, quarter-to-quarter changes in the QCD moving average usually reflect the underlying cyclical trend movements of the series, whereas the quarter-to-quarter changes in the seasonally adjusted series usually do not.

## A. QCD and Related Measures of Variability..Continued

Part 2. Quarterly Series: Average Actual Changes

| Quarterly series | Period covered | Unit of measure | $\overline{\mathrm{Cl}}$ | $\bar{T}$ | $\bar{C}$ | $\overline{1 / C}$ | QCD | $\begin{aligned} & \overline{1} / \overline{\mathrm{C}} \\ & \text { for } \\ & \text { QCD } \\ & \text { span } \end{aligned}$ | Average duration of run (ADR) |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Cl | 1 | C | QCD |
| A. NATIONAL INCOME AND PRODUCT |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 245. Change in business inventories, total. . . . . . . | IQ '53-110 '70... | Ann. rate, bil. dol.... | 2.76 | 1.82 | 1.60 | 1.14 | 2 | . 53 | 1.68 | 1.35 | 3.63 | 2.72 |
| 250. Net exports of goods and services | 10'53-110 $70 \ldots$ | . . . do..... | . 84 | . 48 | . 61 | . 78 | 1 | . 78 | 2.46 | 1.33 | 3.83 | 2.46 |
| 271. Change in business inventories, durable goods. | 10 '53-110 '70... | ... do..... | 2.34 | 1.48 | 1.38 | 1.08 | 2 | . 52 | 1.60 | 1.33 | 2.76 | 2.72 |
| 275. Change in bus. inventories, nondurable goods . | IQ '53-110 $70 . .$. | ...do..... | 1.42 | 1.17 | . 56 | 2.09 | 2 | . 89 | 1.53 | 1.30 | 2.38 | 2.12 |
| 298. Government surplus or deficit, total . . . . . . . | IQ '53-IIQ '70... | . . . do. | 2.89 | 1.44 | 2.46 | . 59 | 1 | . 59 | 3.00 | 1.38 | 4.06 | 3.00 |
| B. CYCLICAL INDICATORS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15. Profits (after taxes) per dollar of sales, mfg... | 1Q '53-110 '70... | Cents. . . . . | . 48 | .28 | . 32 | .87 | 1 | . 87 | 2.59 | 1.32 | 3.33 | 2.59 |
| 22. Ratio of profits to income originating, corporate, all industries. . | 10 '53-110 $70 . .$. | Percent . . . . | .46 | . 31 | . 33 | . 95 | 1 | . 95 | 2.56 | 1.25 | 5.31 | 2.56 |
| *67. Bank rates on short-term bus. loans (a)....... | IQ '53-IQ $71 . .$. | ... do..... | .16 | . 09 | .14 | . 63 | 1 | . 63 | 2.56 2.57 | 1.25 | 4.00 | 2.56 2.57 |
| 245. Change in business inventories, total....... | IQ '53-IIQ '70... | Ann. rate, bil. dol.... | 2.76 | 1.82 | 1.60 | 1.14 | 2 | . 53 | 1.68 | 1.35 | 3.63 | 2.72 |
| D. OTHER KEY INDICATORS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| U.S. Balance of Payments: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 250. Balance on goods and services. . . . . . . . . . . | 10 '66-110 '71. . | Mil. dol. | 269.0 | 201.0 | 151.9 | 1.32 | 2 | . 52 | 1.62 | 1.17 | 3.00 | 2.22 |
| 515. Balance on goods, services, and remittances - | IQ '66-110 '71... | $\ldots$. do. | 267.0 | 211.5 | 139.4 | 1.52 | 2 | . 56 | 1.62 | 1.17 | 3.00 | 2.22 |
| 517. Balance on current account. . . . . . . . . . . . . . | IQ '66-IIQ '71... | $\ldots$. do. | 288.0 | 235.8 | 134.9 | 1.75 | 2 | . 61 | 1.62 | 1.31 | 3.00 | 2.22 |
| 519. Balance on current account and long term capital | IQ '66-110 '71... | ... do..... | 765.2 | 598.8 | 349.4 | 1.71 | 2 | . 90 | 1.75 | 1.31 | 3.00 | 1.82 |
| 521. Net liquidity balance...................... | 10 '66-11Q '71... | . . . do...... | 800.3 | 473.8 | 494.5 | 1.71 | 1 | . 96 | 2.10 | 1.50 | 3.50 | 1.82 2.10 |
| 522. Official reserve transactions balance | IQ '66-IIQ '71. . | ... do..... | 1,239.0 | 743.1 | 776.1 | . 96 | 1 | . 96 | 1.75 | 1.31 | 2.10 | 1.75 |
| 560. Foreign direct investments in the U.S. . . . . . | 10 '60-110 '70... | ... do..... | 79.8 | 65.7 | 38.0 | 1.73 | 3 | $\left({ }^{1}\right)$ | 1.46 | 1.21 | 1.86 | 2.00 |
| 561. U. S. direct investments abroad. | 10 '60-110 $70 . .$. | ... do..... | 239.4 | 190.4 | 87.7 | 2.17 | 3 | (1) | 1.52 | 1.41 | 2.56 | 2.44 |
| 564. Foreign purchases of U.S. securities. ........ | 10 '60-112 $70 . .$. | . . . do | 181.1 | 139.0 | 105.2 | 1.32 | 2 | . 67 | 1.71 | 1.32 | 2.73 | 2.11 |
| 565. U.S. purchases of foreign securities . ........ | 1Q '60-IIQ '70 . . | . . . do | 133.4 | 114.0 | 75.2 | 1.52 | 2 | . 45 | 1.32 | 1.17 | 2.73 | 2.35 |
| 570. Government grants and capital transactions, net | 10 '60-IIQ '70... | ... do..... | 309.8 | 243.5 | 143.6 | 1.70 | 2 | . 67 | 1.52 | 1.28 | 2.16 | 2.35 |
| 575. Banking and other capital transactions, net... | 10'60-110 '70... | $\ldots$...do..... | 327.2 | 244.4 | 163.6 | 1.49 | 2 | . 76 | 1.46 | 1.32 | 2.05 | 1.82 |
| 600. Fed. balance, nat'l. income and product accts. <br> E. ANALYTICAL MEASURES | IQ '53-ILQ '70... | Ann. rate, bil. dol... . | 2.96 | 1.55 | 2.32 | . 67 | 1 | . 67 | 2.38 | 1.35 | 4.06 | 2.38 |
| 207. GNP gap (potential less actual) . . . . . . . . . | IQ '53-IIQ '70. . . | ... do..... | 4.37 | 1.53 | 3.69 | . 42 | 1 | . 42 | 3.14 | 1.33 | 5.31 | 3.14 |
| 850. Ratio, output to capacity, manufacturing . . . . . | IQ '53-11Q '71... | Percent . . . . | 1.61 | 0.68 | 1.31 | . 52 | 1 | . 52 | 3.48 | 1.33 | 4.06 | 3.48 |
| 857. Vacancy rate in total rental housing (1). . . . . . | 1Q '56-IVQ '70 . . | . . . do. . . . . | . 24 | . 15 | . 16 | . 89 | 1 | . 89 | 2.03 | 1.31 | 2.95 | 2.03 |

*Series included in the 1966 NBER "short list" of 26 indicators.
(1) Measures are based on unadjusted data.
${ }^{1}$ Not shown when QCD is "3".

## BRIEF DEFINITIONS OF MEASURES SHOWN IN PART 2

These measures are computed by an additive method. This method is used for series with zero or negative data and for other series where it seems appropriate, such as series expressed in percent.

Thus, " $\overline{\mathrm{Cl}}$ " is the average quarter-to-quarter change in the seasonally adjusted series. This average is computed without regard to sign and is expressed in the same unit of measure as the series itself.
" $\overline{\mathrm{C}}$ " is the same for the cyclical component, which is a moving average of the seasonally adjusted series.
" $\overline{\mathrm{I}}$ " is the same for the irregular component, which is determined by subtracting the cyclical component from the seasonally adjusted series.

All other measures have the same meaning as in part 1.

## B. Current Adjustment Factors

| Series | 1971 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Jan. | Feb. | Mar. | Apr. | May | June | July | Aug. | Sept. | Oct. | Nov. | Dec. |
| 5. Average weekly initial claims, State unemployment insurance. . . . | 149.8 | 114.4 | 93.1 | 92.6 | 79.4 | 81.7 | 122.4 | 84.5 | 71.6 | 79.8 | 97.4 | 132.8 |
| 13. New business incorporations ${ }^{1}$. | 104.6 | 94.1 | 110.9 | 107.1 | 98.9 | 106.4 | 99.3 | 94.3 | 97.7 | 95.4 | 85.7 | 102.8 |
| 15. Profits (after taxes) per dollar of sales, mfg. ${ }^{2}$. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | $\cdots$ | 97.4 | -•• | -•• | 103.4 | -•• | -•• | 96.4 | -•• | -•• | 102.9 | - |
| by financial institutions and life insurance companies ${ }^{13}$. . . . . . . . | -332 | -404 | -142 | -6 | -90 | +371 | +11 | +213 | +110 | +66 | -43 | +231 |
| 37. Purchased materials, percent of companies reporting higher inventories $\qquad$ | 99.9 | 101.0 | 110.2 | 104.9 | 105.8 | 107.9 | 104.4 | 99.9 | 93.2 | 86.4 | 94.7 | 90.8 |
| 39. Delinquency rate, 30 days and over, total installment loans ${ }^{4}$. | ... | 106.4 | $\ldots$ | 93.1 | . $\cdot$ | 91.3 | -•• | 98.9 | ... | 95.8 | -••• | 112.9 |
| 72. Commercial and industrial loans outstanding | 100.3 | 99.2 | 99.8 | 100.1 | 100.1 | 100.7 | 101.4 | 99.7 | 99.2 | 99.6 | 99.3 | 100.3 |
| 508. Index of export orders, nonelectrical machinery. | 103.1 | 105.1 | 108.2 | 98.7 | 97.7 | 100.5 | 98.5 | 92.0 | 98.9 | 101.0 | 94.1 | 101.6 |
| 616. Defense Department obligations, total | 97.8 | 83.7 | 89.3 | 93.5 | 90.6 | 143.7 | 102.6 | 99.9 | 115.8 | 106.0 | 86.4 | 90.9 |
| 621. Defense Department obligations, procurement. | 86.9 | 77.0 | 84.7 | 84.5 | 83.0 | 194.0 | 58.7 | 86.6 | 153.5 | 112.8 | 83.8 | 95.0 |
| 625. Military contract awards in U.S. . . | 88.3 | 86.7 | 84.5 | 79.5 | 84.2 | 173.2 | 104.1 | 93.7 | 118.4 | 112.1 | 77.3 | 98.2 |
| D34. Profits, manufacturing (FNCB) ${ }^{5}$. . | $-14$ | -•• | $\cdots$ | +12 | -•• | -•• | -8 | -•• | . $\cdot$ | +11 | -•• | -•• |

NOTE: These series are not published by the source agency in seasonally adjusted form. Seasonal adjustments were made by the Bureau of the Census or the National Bureau of Economic Research, Inc. They are kept current by the Bureau of the Census. Seasonally adjusted data prepared by the source agency will be substituted whenever they are published. For a description of the method used to compute these factors, see Bureau of the Census Technical Paper No. 15, The X-11 Variant of the Census Method II Seasonal Adjustment Program.
${ }^{1}$ Factors are products of seasonal and trading-day factors. Seasonally adjusted data resulting from the application of these combined factors may differ slightly from those obtained by separate applications of seasonal and trading-day factors due to rounding.
${ }^{2}$ Quarterly series; figures are placed in middle month of quarter.
${ }^{3}$ These quantities, in millions of dollars, are to be subtracted from the month-to-month net change in the unadjusted monthly totals to yield the seasonally adjusted net change. They were computed by the additive version of the X-ll variant of the Census Method II seasonal adjustment program.
${ }^{4}$ Bimonthly series. Factors are for even-numbered months (February, April, June, etc.).
${ }^{5}$ l-quarter diffusion index: Figures are placed in the lst month of the quarter. The unadjusted diffusion index is computed and the factors, computed by the additive version of the $X-11$ variant of the Census Method II seasonal adjustment program, are subtracted to yield the seasonally adjusted index.

## C. Historical Data for Selected Series

This appendix cantains historical data (back to 1945 if available) for selected BCD series. Data are published here for (a) series which have been added to the report, (b) series which
have been revised, and (c) series which have not been shown here for a long time. See the "Index--Series Finding Guide" for the latest issue in which historical doto were published for each series. Data are seasonally adjusted unless the symbol (il) (indicating unadjusted
data) follows the series tille. Official source agency annual figures are shown if available. Such figures are often bosed on data with more digits or on data which have not been seasonally adjusted; therefore, they may differ slightly from annual figures based on the monthly or quarterly data shown here. Current figures are shown in the basic data tables of the report and may be used to update the tables below.

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data) follows the series title. Official source ogency annual figures are shown if available. Such figures are often based on data with more digits or on data which have not been seaor quarterly data shown here. Current figures are shown in the basic data tables of the repart and may be used to update the tables below.

${ }^{2}$ Since last shown here this series has been revised beginning with 1948.
${ }^{2}$ Since last shown here this series has been revised beginning with 1967.

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data) follows the series title. Official source agency annual figures are shown if available. Such figures are often based on data with more digits or on data which have not been seosonally adiusted; therefore, they may differ slightly from annual figures based on the monthly or quarterly data shown here. Current figures


Note: Since last shown here, these series have been revised beginning with 1964.

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for each series. Data are seasonally adjusted unless the symbol (u) (indicating unadiusted
data) follows the series title. Official source agency annual figures are shown if available. Such figures ore often based on data with more digits or on data which hove not been seasonally adiusted; therefore, they may differ slightly from annual figures based on the monthly or quarterly data shown here. Current figures are shown in the basic data tables of the repart and may be used to update the tables below.


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data) follows the series title. Official source agency annual figures are shown if available. Such figures are often based on data with more digits or on data which have not been seosonally adjusted; therefore, they may differ slightly from annual figures based on the monthly or quarterly data shown here. Current figures are shown in the basic data tables of the report and may be used to update the tables below.

| Year | Monthly |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Quarterly |  |  |  | Annual |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Jan. | Feb. | Mor. | Apr. | May | June | July | Aug. | Sept. | Oct. | Nov. | Dec. | 10 | 110 | III Q | IV Q |  |
| 1945... | 71. Manufacturing and trade inventories, total book value (BILLIONS OF DOLLARS) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | END OF PERIOD |  |  |  |  |
|  | -•• | -•• | ... | - . | $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | ... | ... |  | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | -•• |  | -•• | $\cdots$ | ... |  |
|  | - $\cdot$. | $\cdots$ |  |  |  | $\cdots$ |  | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | $\because *$ | $\cdots$ |  |  |  | -* | $\cdots$ |
| 1947...0. | 47.52 | 48.24 | 48.83 |  | 49.36 | 50.11 | 51.06 | 51.49 | 51.92 | 52.34 | 52.58 | 52.51 | 48.83 | 50.11 | 51.92 | 52.0.9 | 52.51 |
| 1949.... | 47.52 53.30 | 48.24 53.33 | 48.83 53.06 | 49.20 52.41 | 49.36 51.87 | 50.11 51.42 | 51.06 51.05 | 51.49 50.81 | 51.92 50.89 | 52.34 50.56 | 52.58 50.10 | 52.51 49.50 | 48.83 53.06 | 50.11 51.42 | 51.92 50.89 | 52.51 49.50 | 52.51 49.50 |
| 1950... | 49.66 | 49.63 | 50.07 | 50.37 | 51.06 | 51.67 | 51.40 | 53.23 | 54.71 | 56.38 | 58.37 | 59.82 | 50.07 | 51.67 | 54.71 | 59.82 | 59.82 |
| $1951 . .0$ | 62.26 | 63.74 | 65.27 | 66.65 | 67.87 | 68.65 | 69.10 | 69.53 | 69.53 | 69.77 | 69.98 | 70.24 | 65.27 | 68.65 | 69.53 | 70.24 | 70.24 |
| 1952... | 70.72 | 70.63 | 70.62 | 70.43 | 70.05 | 70.23 | 69.99 | 69.91 | 70.80 | 71.58 | 72.06 | 72.38 | 70.62 | 70.23 | 70.80 | 72.38 | 72.38 |
| 1953... | 74.01 | 74.19 | 74.64 | 75.37 | 75.69 | 76.17 | 76.96 | 77.19 | 77.41 | 76.99 | 76.40 | 76.12 | 74.64 | 76.17 | 77.41 | 76.12 | 76.12 |
| 1954... | 75.73 | 75.44 | 75.12 | 74.74 | 74.42 | 74.04 | 73.70 | 73.24 | 73.17 | 72.85 | 73.20 | 73.18 | 75.12 | 74.04 | 73.17 | 73.18 | 73.18 |
| 1955... | 73.55 | 73.82 81.33 | 74.45 81.75 | 74.52 82.84 | 75.02 | 75.69 84.04 | 76.24 84.52 | 76.98 84.96 | 77.39 85.63 | 78.33 86.05 | 78.91 | 79.52 87.30 | 74.45 81.75 | 75.69 84.04 | 77.39 85.63 | 79.52 87.30 | 79.52 87.30 |
| 1956.0. | 80.27 | 81.33 | 81.75 | 82.84 | 83.51 | 84.04 | 84.52 | 84.96 | 85.63 | 86.05 | 86.94 | 87.30 | 81.75 | 84.04 | 85.63 | 87.30 | 87.30 |
| 1957..0. | 87.85 | 88.05 | 88.21 | 88.52 | 88.51 | 88.58 | 88.83 | 89.42 | 89.88 | 89.16 | 88.99 | 89.05 | 88.21 | 88.58 | 89.88 | 89.05 | 89.05 |
| 1958... | 88.65 | 88.07 | 87.62 | 86.92 | 86.35 | 86.09 | 85.79 | 85.56 | 85.91 | 86.10 | 85.28 | 86.92 | 87.62 | 86.09 | 85.91 | 86.92 | 85.92 |
| 1959.0. | 87.12 | 87.52 | 87.94 | 89.16 | 89.69 | 90.51 | 91.12 | 91.08 | 90.65 | 90.80 | 90.70 | 91.89 | 87.94 | 90.51 | 90.65 | 91.89 | 91.89 |
| 1960... | 92.78 | 93.86 | 94.64 | 94.70 | 95.26 | 95.46 | 95.79 | 95.48 | 95.67 | 95.54 | 95.66 | 94.75 | 94.64 | 95.46 | 95.67 | 94.75 | 94.75 |
| 1961... | 94.33 | 94.16 | 93.69 | 93.69 | 93.79 | 93.68 | 93.86 | 94.30 | 94.74 | 94.85 | 95.49 | 95.65 | 93.69 | 93.68 | 94.74 | 95.65 | 95.65 |
| 1962.... | 96.21 | 96.81 | 97.47 | 97.60 | 98.34 | 98.85 | 99.20 | 99.67 | 100.39 | 100.84 | 100.92 | 101.09 | 97.47 | 98.85 | 100.39 | 101.09 | 101.09 |
| 1963... | 101.22 | 101.52 | 101.77 | 101.87 | 102.27 | 102.75 | 103.17 | 103.65 | 104.22 | 104.94 | 105.40 | 105.48 | 101.77 | 102.75 | 104.22 | 105.48 | 105.48 |
| 1964... | 105.95 | 106.30 | 106.72 | 107.27 | 107.64 | 108.07 | 108.24 | 108.65 | 109.75 | 109.72 | 110.52 | 111.46 | 106.72 | 108.07 | 109.75 | 111.46 | 111.46 |
| 1965... | 112.33 121.63 | 112.83 123.03 | 114.11 124.24 | 114.76 125.32 | 115.43 126.84 | 116.22 128.57 | 117.21 129.74 | 118.27 131.19 | 118.59 132.24 1 | 119.09 133.79 | 119.84 135.23 | 120.90 136.71 | 114.11 124.24 | 116.22 128.57 | 118.59 132.24 | 120.90 136.71 | 120.90 136.71 |
| 1967... | 138.02 | 138.67 | 139.29 | 139.95 | 140.17 | 140.40 | 140.95 | 141.92 | 142.19 | 142.50 | 143.68 | 145.07 | 139.29 | 140.40 | 142.19 | 145.07 | 145.07 |
| 1968... | 145.76 | 146.46 | 146.92 | 148.17 | 149.49 | 150.26 | 150.70 | 151.71 | 152.44 | 153.68 | 154.39 | 155.24 | 146.92 | 150.26 | 152.44 | 155.24 | 155.24 |
| 1969... | 155.98 | 157.10 | 158.15 | 159.03 | 159.99 | 160.85 | 161.75 | 162.52 | 163.65 | 164.86 | 165.45 | 166.41 | 158.15 | 160.85 | 163.65 | 166.41 | 166.41 |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1970 \ldots \\ & 1971 . . \end{aligned}$ | 166.69 | 167.69 | 168.02 | 169.16 | 169.01169 .93 |  | 171.12 | $171.68 \quad 172.24$ |  | 172.59 | 173.37 | 173.64 | 168.02 | 169.93 | 172.24 | 173.64 | 173.64 |
|  | 31. CHANGE IN BOOK VALUE OF MANUFACTURING AND TRADE INVENTORIES, TOTAL (ANNUAL RATE, BILLIONS OF DOLLARS) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | average for period |  |  |  |  |
| 1945... |  | $\bullet \cdot$ | * $\cdot$ | -** | -•* | ** | -* | $\cdots \cdot$ | -•• | $\cdots$ | -•* | -** | $\bullet \cdot$ | -•* | * | *** | ** |
| 1946... | - | ... | *.. | -.. | -.. | ... | ... | -•• | -•• | -.. | -.. | ... | ... | ... | . . $\cdot$ | . $\cdot$. | -.. |
| 1947... | ... | -•* | \# ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 4.0 | ** | $\cdots$ | i"i | ¢ $\cdot$ | ¢ 0 | 500 | 3 | 0.9 | . | \% ${ }^{\circ}$ | 7 | $\cdots$ | -• |
| 1948... | $\cdots$ | 8.6 | 7.1 | 4.5 | 2.0 | 9.0 | 11.4 | 5.1 | 5.2 | 5.0 | 3.0 | -0.9 |  | 5.2 | 7.2 | 2.4 | $\cdots$ |
| 1949... | 9.6 | 0.3 | -3.1 | -7.8 | -6.5 | -5.5 | -4.4 | -2.9 | 1.0 | -4.0 | -5.5 | -7.2 | 2.3 | -6.6 | -2.1 | -5.6 | -3.0 |
| 1950... | $\begin{array}{r} 1.9 \\ 29.2 \end{array}$ | -0.3 | 5.3 | 3.6 | 8.3 | 7.3 | -3.2 | 21.9 | 17.8 | 20.0 | 24.0 | 17.4 | 2.3 | 6.4 | 12.2 | 20.5 | 10.3 |
| 1951... |  | 17.8 | 18.4 | 16.6 | 14.5 | 9.4 | 5.4 | 5.2 | 0.1 | 2.8 | 2.5 | 3.2 | 21.8 | 13.5 | 3.6 | 2.8 | 10.4 |
| 1952... | 5.7 | -1.1 | -0.2 | -2.2 | -4.5 | 2.2 | -3.0 | -1.0 | 10.8 | 9.3 | 5.8 | 3.7 | 1.5 | -1.5 | 2.3 | 6.3 | 2.1 |
| 1953... | $\begin{aligned} & 19.6 \\ & -4.7 \end{aligned}$ | 2.2 | 5.4 | 8.7 | 3.9 | 5.7 | 9.5 | 2.8 | 2.6 | -5.0 | -7.1 | -3.4 | 9.1 | 6.1 | 5.0 | -5.2 | 3.7 |
| 1954... |  | -3.5 | -3.8 | -4.6 | -3.8 | -4.6 | -4.2 | -5.4 | -0.9 | -3.8 | 4.2 | -0.3 | -4.0 | -4.3 | -3.5 | (2) | -3.0 |
| 1955... | 4.5 | 3.2 | 7.6 | 0.8 | 6.0 | 8.0 | 6.6 | 8.9 | 5.0 | 11.3 | 7.0 | 7.3 | 5.1 | 4.9 | 6.8 | 8.5 | 6.4 |
| 1956... | 9.1 | 12.7 | 5.1 | 13.1 | 8.0 | 6.4 | 5.7 | 5.4 | 8.0 | 5.0 | 10.7 | 4.4 | 9.0 | 9.2 | 6.4 | 6.7 | 7.8 |
| 1957... | 6.6 | 2.4 | 1.9 | 3.7 | -0.1 | 0.9 | 3.0 | 7.0 | 5.6 | -8.6 | -2.1 | 0.8 | 3.6 | 1.5 | 5.2 | -3.3 | 1.8 |
| 1958... | -4.72.4 | -7.1 | -5.4 | -8.3 | -6.8 | -3.1 | -3.7 | -2.8 | 4.2 | 2.3 | $2 \cdot 1$ | 7.7 | -5.7 | -6.1 | -0.8 | 4.0 | -2.1 |
| 1959... |  | 4.7 | 5.1 | 14.6 | 6.4 | 9.9 | 7.2 | -0.5 | -5.2 | 1.8 | -1.2 | 14.3 | 4.1 | 10.3 | 0.5 | 5.0 | 5.0 |
| 1960... | 10.6 | 13.0 | 9.4 | 0.7 | 6.8 | 2.4 | 4.0 | -3.8 | 2.2 | -1.5 | 1.4 | -10.9 | 11.0 | 3.3 | 0.8 | -3.7 | 2.9 |
| 1961... | -5.0 | -2.0 | -5.7 | 0.0 | 1.1 | -1.3 | 2.2 | 5.3 | 5.3 | 1.3 | 7.6 | 1.9 | -4.2 | -0.1 | 4.3 | 3.6 | 0.9 |
| 1962... | 6.8 | 7.1 | 8.0 | 1.5 | 8.9 | 6.1 | 4.3 | 5.6 | 8.7 | 5.4 | 0.9 | 2.0 | $7 \cdot 3$ | 5.5 | 6.2 | 2.8 | 5.4 |
| 1963... | 1.55.7 | 3.6 | 3.0 | 1.2 | 4.8 | 5.7 | 5.1 | 5.7 | 6.9 | 8.6 | 5.5 | 0.9 | 2.7 | 3.9 | 5.9 | 5.0 | 4.4 |
| 1964... |  | 4.2 | 4.9 | 6.5 | 4.4 | 5.2 | 2.0 | 4.9 | 13.3 | -0.4 | 9.6 | 11.3 | 4.9 | 5.4 | 6.7 | 6.8 | 6.0 |
| 1965... | $\begin{array}{r} 10.5 \\ 8.8 \end{array}$ | 6.0 | 15.4 | 7.8 | 8.1 | 9.5 | 11.8 | 12.7 | 3.9 | 6.0 | 9.1 | 12.7 | 10.6 | 8.5 | 9.5 | 9.3 | 9.5 |
| 1966... |  | 16.7 | 14.6 | 12.9 | 18.3 | 20.8 | 14.0 | 17.4 | 12.5 | 18.6 | 17.3 | 17.8 | 13.4 | 17.3 | 14.6 | 17.9 | 15.8 |
| 1957... | 15.7 | 7.9 | 7.4 | 8.0 | 2.6 | 2.7 | 6.7 | 11.6 | 3.2 | 3.7 | 14.2 | 16.7 | 20.3 | 4.4 | 7.2 | 11.5 | 8.4 |
| 1968... | 8.38.9 | 8.4 | 5.5 | 15.0 | 15.8 | $9 \cdot 3$ | 5.2 | 12.1 | 8.8 | 14.9 | 8.6 | 10.1 | 7.4 | 13.4 | 8.7 | 11.2 | 10.2 |
| 1969... |  | 13.4 | 12.7 | 10.5 | 11.6 | 10.3 | 10.8 | 9.3 | 13.5 | 14.5 | 7.1 | 11.6 | 11.7 | 10.8 | 11.2 | 11.1 | 11.2 |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1970 \ldots \\ & 1971 . . .0 \end{aligned}$ | 3.3 | 12.0 | 4.0 | 13.7 | -1.8 | 11.0 | 14.3 | 6.7 | 6.7 | 4.2 | 9.4 | 3.1 | 6.4 | 7.6 | 9.2 | 5.6 | 7.2 |

Note: Since last show here these series have been revised beginning with 1948.
E. Business Cycle Expansions and Contractions in the United States: 1854 to 1970

| Business cycle reference dates | Duration in months |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Contraction (trough from previous peak) | Expansion (trough to peak) | Cycle |  |
|  |  |  | Trough from previous trough | Peak from previous peak |
| Trough Peak |  |  |  |  |
| December 1854.......... June 1857. | (x) | 30 | (X) | (X) |
| December $1858 . . . . . . .$. . October 1860 | 18 | 22 | 48 |  |
| June 1861.................April 1865. | 8 | 46 | 30 | 54 |
| December $1867 . . . . . . . . .$. June 1869. | 32 | 18 | 78 | 50 |
| December 1870.......... October 1873 | 18 | 34 | $\frac{3}{36}$ | 52 |
| March 1879............... March 1882... | 65 | 36 | 99 | 101 |
| May 1885 . . . . . . . . . . . . March 1887. | 38 | 22 | 74 | 60 |
| April 1888 . . . . . . . . . . . . July 1890. | 13 | 27 | 35 | 40 |
| May 1891 . . . . . . . . . . . . January 1893 | 10 | 20 | 37 | 30 |
| June 1894. . . . . . . . . . . . . December 1895. | 17 | 18 | 37 | 35 |
| June 1897. ... . . . . . . . . June 1899. . . | 18 | 24 | 36 | 42 |
| December 1900 . . . . . . . . . September 1902 | 18 | 21 | 42 | 39 |
| August 1904. . . . . . . . . . May 1907. | 23 | 33 | 44 | 56 |
| June 1908.............. January 1910 | 13 | 19 | 46 | 32 |
| January 1912 . . . . . . . . January 1913. | 24 | 12 | 43 | 36 |
| December 1914.......... August 1918. | 23 | 44 | 35 | 67 |
| March 1919........... January 1920 | 7 | 10 | $\frac{51}{28}$ | 17 |
| July $1921 . . . . . . . . . . . . . .$. May 1923 . . | $1 \overline{8}$ | 22 | 28 | 40 |
| July 1924. . . . . . . . . . . October 1926 | 14 | 27 | 36 | 41 |
| November 1927 . . . . . . . . August 1929. | 13 | 21 | 40 | 34 |
| March $1933 . . . . . . . . . .$. May 1937 .... | 43 | 50 | 64 | 93 |
| June 1938. . . . . . . . . . . . February 1945 | 13 | 80 | 63 | 93 |
| October 1945 . . . . . . . . . November 1948. | 8 | 37 |  | 45 |
| October 1949 . . . . . . . . . . July 1953. | $1 \overline{1}$ | 45 | 48 | 56 |
| August 1954. . . . . . . . . . July 1957. | 13 | 35 | 58 | 48 |
| April 1958 ............... May 1960..... | $\underline{9}$ | 25 | $4{ }^{44}$ | 34 |
| February 1961.......... *November 1969 | 9 | 105 | 34 | 114 |
| *November 1970 ............. | 12 | (X) | 117 | (X) |
| Average, all cycles: |  |  |  |  |
| 27 cycles, 1854-1970. | 19 | 33 | 52 | ${ }^{1} 52$ |
| 11 cycles, 1919-1970 | 15 | 42 | 56 | ${ }^{2} 56$ |
| 5 cycles, 1945-1970. | 11 | 49 | 60 | ${ }^{3} 59$ |
| Average, peacetime cycles: |  |  |  |  |
| 22 cycles, $1854-1961 .$. 8 cycles, 1919-1961 | 20 | 26 | 45 | ${ }_{5}^{4} 46$ |
| 3 cycles, 1945-1961.............. | 10 | 32 | 42 | ${ }^{6} 42$ |

NOTE: Underscored figures are the wartime expansions (Civil War, World Wars I and II, Korean War, and Vietnam War), the postwar contractions, and the full cycles that include the wart ime expansions.
*Tentative and subject to revision as more information becomes available.
${ }_{2} 26$ cycles, 1857-1969.
${ }^{3} 5$ cycles, 1945-1969.
${ }^{5} 7$ cycles, 1920-1960.
${ }^{2} 10$ cycles, $1920-1969$.
${ }^{4} 21$ cycles, 1857-1960.
${ }^{6} 3$ cycles, 1945-1960.
Source: National Bureau of Economic Research, Inc.

Specific dates are listed under the reference cycle dates to which they correspond. Numbers in parentheses indicate leads (-) or lags (+) of specific dates in relation to reference dates


NOTE: Specific peaks and troughs mark the dates when individual series reach their cyclical turning points, whereas reference peak and trough dates indicate the cyclical turning points in business activity as a whole. This table shows, for the 26 series on the NBER "short list" and three composite indexes, the specific peaks and troughs corresponding to post-World War II business cycles. The determination of specific turning points is largely a subjective matter, and honest disagreement may exist among individual analysts. Therefore, the dates listed above should not be interpreted as being absolute. See Measuring Business Cycles by Burns and Mitchell (NBER: 1946) for further information on dating specific peaks and troughs.
$N A=$ Not available. This indicates that data necessary to determine a turning point are not available.
NSC = No specific cycle. This indicates that no specific turning point corresponding to the indicated reference date is discernible.
Q = Quarterly series. Leads and lags are measured from middle of quarter to reference date.

## G. Recovery Comparisons: Current and Selected Historical Patterns

HOW TO READ CYCLICAL (RECOVERY) COMPARISON CHARTS

These charts show graphically, for selected indicators, the path of the most recent business contraction (beginning with the cyclical peak in November 1969) and the recovery and subsequent expansion (beginning with the business cycle trough in November 1970). To set the current cyclical movements into historical perspective, cyclical paths over generally similar historical periods are shown. The graphic presentations of the data for the selected period are superimposed according to a special chart design. The explanatory statements below provide a key to this chart design.

1. The objective of the chart is to compare the pattern of the current recovery with historical recovery patterns to facilitate critical assessment of the amplitude, duration, and vigor of the indicators' current movements.
2. The vertical line represents reference trough dates. The current recovery phase, beginning with the business cycle trough in November 1970, and the selected historical recovery phases, beginning with the troughs in October 1949, August 1954, April 1958, and February 1961 are presented graphically so that their trough dates are placed along this vertical line.
3. The horizontal line represents the level of the data at the beginning point of the most recent business contraction, November 1969, the business cycle peak that preceded the most recent trough. It also represents data levels at other business cycle peaks (November 1948, July 1953, July 1957, and May 1960) that precede the troughs used for this analysis: The peak levels, which also are called recovery levels-i.e., the levels at which recoveries from the preceding contraction are achieved--are aligned along the horizontal line for each business cycle depicted.
4. To facilitate comparison, deviations from the previous peak level are computed and plotted for each cycle (consisting of the contraction and portions of the subsequent recovery and expansion). These deviations from the peak levels may le either percent changes ordifferences in original series units depending upon the nature of the time series. For most series percent changes are used. For series containing negative values (such as percent changes) and series measured in percent units (such as interest rates) deviations are shown in terms of differences. The same type of series could be, and in many instances are, plotted as actual data in original series units rather than deviations from preceding peak levels.
5. The influence of excessive irregular fluctuations in series with MCD of 3 or more is modified by using the average for the 3 months centered on the peak as the reference peak level.
6. For series that move counter to movements in general business activity (e.g., the unemployment rate), an inverted scale is used; i.e., declines in the data are shown as upward movements in the plotted lines, and increases in data as downward movements in plotted lines.
7. For each chart, four curves and two sets of points are shown. One curve describes the current recovery (heavy solid line: $\quad$ ). To facilitate historical comparison and avoid overcrowding on the chart, the median pattern of the four post-World war il recoveries (those beginning in 1949, 1954, 1958, and


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*43. Unemployment rate, total (m). ... Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, and Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census
(B1, 88)
*44. Unemployment rate, 15 weeks and over (m). .- Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, and Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census
(B1, B8)
45. Average weekly insured unemployment rate, State programs (iif). -- Department of Labor, Manpower Administration
46. Index of. help-wanted advertising in newspapers (im). . . The Conference Board
(Bl)
*47. Index of industrial production (iin). .- Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System
(B2, B8, E3, E4, E5, F2)
48. Man-hours in nonagricultural establishments (Mi). $\cdots$ Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics
(B1, E5)
50. Number of job vacancies in manufacturing (im) - Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics
(B1)
*52. Personal income (M). -- Department of Commerce, Office of Business Economics
( $\mathrm{B} 2, \mathrm{B8}$ )
53. Wage and salary income in mining, manufacturing, and construction (M). -- Department of Commerce, Office of Business Economics
*54. Sales of retail stores (m). .- Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census
(B2, B8, E3, E4)
55. Index of wholesale prices, industrial commodities (M)..- Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics
(B5, E5)
*56. Manufacturing and trade sales (M). -- Department of Commerce, Office of Business Economics and Bureau of the Census
57. Final sales (series 200 minus series 245) ( Q ). - Depariment of Commerce, Office of Business Economics
(B2)
58. Index of wholesale prices, manufactured goods (M). .- Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics (B5, D4, E3, E4)
*61. Business expenditures for new plant and equipment, total (Q).Department of Commerce, Office of Business Economics, and the Securities and Exchange Commission ( $\mathrm{B}, \mathrm{B}, \mathrm{Cl}, \mathrm{C} 2$ )
*62. Index of labor cost per unit of output, total manulacturing -ratio, index of compensation of employees in manufacturing (the sum of wages and salaries and supplements to wages and salaries) to index of industrial production, manufacturing (in). .- Department of Commerce, Dffice of Business Economics, (mi). $\operatorname{and}$ Deparment of Commerce, and the Board of Govemors of the Federal Reserve System
(B5, 88 )
65. Manufacturers' inventories of finished goods, book value, all mamufacturing industries (EOM). .-. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census
(B4)
66. Consumer instaliment debt (EOM). - Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System. FRS seasonally adjusted net change added to seasonally adjusted figure for previous month to obtain current figure
*67. Bank rates on short-tem business loans, 35 cities ( Q ). Board of Govemors of the Federal Reserve System (B6, B8)
68. Labor cost (current dollars) per unit of gross product (1958 dollars), nonfinancial corporations -- ratio of current-dollar compensation of employees to gross corporate product in 1958 dollars (Q). -- Department of Commerce, Office of Business Economics
69. Manufacturers' machinery and equipment sales and business construction expenditures (industrial and commercial construction put in place) (ili). -- Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census
(B3)
*71. Manufacturing and trade inventories, lotal book value (EOM). .Deparment of Commerce, Office of Business Economics and Bureau of the Census
(B4, B8)
*72. Commercial and industrial loans outstanding, weekly reporting large commercial hanks (EOM). -- Board of Govemors of the Federal Reserve System; seasonal adjustment by Bureau of the Census
(B6, B8)
85. Change in U.S. money supply (demand deposits plus currency) [MI] (iii). - Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (B6)
93. Free reserves (menter bank excess reserves minus bonowings) (iin). . - Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System
96. Manufacturers' unfilled onders, durable goods industries (EOM). -- Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census (B3)
97. Backlog of capital appropriations, manufacturing (EOQ). .The Conference Board
(B3)
102. Change in U.S. money supply plus time deposits at commercial banks other than large CD's [ 1 R2] (in). -- Board of Governors of of the Federal Reserve System
(B6)
103. Change in U.S. money supply, plus time deposits at commercial banks other than large CD's, plus deposits at nonbank thrift institutions [MB] (Mi), -- Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System
110. Total funds raised by private nonfinancial borrowers in credit markets (Q). .- Board of Govemors of the Federal Reserve System
( B 6 )
112. Net change in bank loans to businesses (iii). .- Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System; seasonal adjustment by Bureau of the Census
(B6)
113. Net change in consumer installment debt (iif). -- Board of Govemors of the Federal Reserve System (B6, B8)
114. Discount rate on new issues of 91-day Treasury bills (iim)... Board of Govemors of the Federal Reserve System
115. Yield on longterm Treasury bonds (iin). .- Treasury Department
116. Yieid on new issues of high-grade corporate bonds (in). -- First National City Bank of New York and Treasury Department'(B6)
117. Yield on municipal bonds, 20 -bond average (ii). .- The Bond Buyes
(B6)
118. Secondary market yields on FHA mortgages (m). .. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Federal Housing Administration
*200. Gross national product in current dollars ( $\mathbf{(})$. See in section $\mathbf{A}$.
205. Gross national product in 1958 dollars ( Q ). See in section $A$.
245. Change in business inventories (GNP component) ( $Q$ ). See in section $A$.
810. Twelve leading indicators - reverse trend adjusted composite index (includes series $1,5,6,10,12,16,17,19,23,29,31$, and 113) (iin). -- Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census
(B7)
811. Twelve leading indicators -- composite index prior to reverse trend adjustment (includes series $1,5,6,10,12,16,17,19$, 23, 29, 31, and 113) (M). - Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census
(B7)
813. Harginal employment adjustments - leading composite index (includes series 1, 2, 3, and 5) (ii). -- Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census
814. Capital investment commitments .- leading composite index (includes series 6, 10, 12, and 29) (ii). .. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census
815. Inventory investment and purchasing .. leading composite index (includes series 23, 25, 31, and 37) (iil). .- Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census
(B7)
816. Profitability -- leading composite index (includes series 16 , 17, and 19) (min. .- Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census
(B7)
817. Sensitive financial flows .- leading composite index (includes series 33, 85, 112, and 113) (il). .- Department of Commerce Bureau of the Census
820. Five coincident indicators -- composite index (includes series 41, 43, 47, 52, and 56) (iif). -- Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census
(B7, E5)
830. Six lagging indicators .- composite index (includes series 44 , $61,62,67,71,72$ ) (iin). - Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census

## C Anticipations and Intentions

61. Business expenditures for new plant and equipment, all industries $(\mathbb{Q})$. See in section $B$.
62. Manufacturers' sales, total value (Q). .- Department of Com merce, Bureau of the Census and Office of Business Economics
63. Manufacturers' inventories, total book value ( $E O Q$ ). -- Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census and Office of Business Economics
64. Percent of total book value of inventories held by manufacturers classifying their holdings as high, less percent classifying holdings as low (EOQ). - Department of Commerce, Office of Business Economics
(Cl)
65. Percent of total gross capital assets held by companies classifying their existing capacity as inadequate for prospective operations over the next 12 months, less percent classifying existing capacity as excessive'(EOQ). - Department of Conmerce, Office of Business Economics
66. Current income of households compared to income a year ago (percent higher, lower, and unchanged) (Q). .- Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census
67. Hean probability (average chances in 100 ) of substantia changes (increase, decrease, and increase less decrease) in income of households (Q). .- Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census
68. Number of new cars purchased by households (Q)..- Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census
69. Index of consumer sentiment (Q). .- University of Michigan, Survey Research Center
D440. New orders, manufacturing (Q). .- Dun and Bradstreet, Inc. (Used by permission. This series may not be reproduced with out witten permission from the source.)
70. Net profits, manufacturing and trade ( Q ). .- Dun and Bradstreet, Inc. (Used by permission. This series may not be reproduced without written permission from the source.)
71. Net sales, manufacturing and trade ( Q ). .- Dun and Bradstreet, Inc. (Used by permission. This series may not be reproduced without written permission from. the source.)
D446. Number of employees, manufacturing and trade ( $Q$ ). - Dun and Bradstreet, Inc. (Used by permission. This series may not be reproduced without written permission from the source.) (C2)
D450. Level of inventories, manufacturing and trade ( Q ). - - Dun and Bradstreet, Inc. (Used by permission. This series may not be reproduced without writter permission from the source.) (C2)

D460. Selling prices, manufacturing and trade (Q). -- Dun and Bradstreet, Inc. (Used by permission. This series may not be reproduced without writter permission from the source.) (C2)
D462. Selling prices, manufacturing (Q). .- Dun and Bradstreet, Inc (Used by permission. This series may not be reproduced with out written permission from the source.)
D464. Selling prices, wholesale trade (Q). -- Dun and Bradstreet Inc. (Used by permission. This series may not be reproduced without written permission from the source.)
D466. Selling prices, retail trade (Q). .- Dun and Bradstreet, Inc. (Used by pemaission. This series may not be reproduced without written permission from the source.)

## D Other Key Indicators

58. Index of wholesale prices, manufactured goods (iil). See in section B.
59. Balance on goods and services; U.S. balance of payments ( $\mathbf{Q}$ ) - See in section A.
60. Exports of goods and services, excluding transfers under military grants; U.S. balance of payments (Q).--See in section $A$.
61. Imports of goods and services: U.S. balance of payments (Q). - See in section A.
62. Federal Goverment purchases of goods and services, national defense ( $Q$ ). -- See in section $A$.
63. Merchandise trade balaice (Series 502 minus series 512) (wi).Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census
(D1)
64. Exports, excluding military aid shipments, total (iin). - Depart ment of Commerce, Bureau of the Census
(D1)

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506. Manufacturers' new orders for export, durable goods except motor vehicles and parts (M). -- Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census
507. Index of export orders for nonelectrical machinery (M)... McGraw-Hill, Department of Economics; seasonal adjustment by Bureau of the Census
(D1)
508. General imports, total (MI). -- Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census
(D1)
509. Balance on goods, services and remittances; U.S. balance of payments (Q). -- Department of Commerce, Office of Business Economics
(D2)
510. Balance on current account; U.S. balance of payments (Q). -Department of Commerce, Office of Business Economics (D2)
511. Balance on current account and long term capital; U.S. balance of payments ( $\mathbf{Q}$ ). -- Department of Commerce, Office of Business Economics
512. Net liquidity balance; U.S. balance of payments (Q). -Department of Commerce, Office of Business Economics
(D2)
513. Official reserve transactions balance; U.S. balance of payments (Q). -- Department of Commerce, Office of Business Economics
(D2)
514. Liquid liabilities (excluding military grants) to all foreigners, total outstanding: U.S. balance of payments (EOQ). $\cdots$ Department of Commerce, Office of Business Economics
515. Liquid and certain nonliquid liabilities (excluding military grants) to foreign official agencies, total outstanding: U.S. balance of payments (EOQ). $\cdots$ Department of Commerce, Office of Business Economics
516. U.S. official reserve (assets) position, excluding military grants: U.S. balance of payments (EOQ). .- Department of Commerce, Office of Business Economics
(D2)
517. Allocations to the U.S. of Special Drawing Rights: U.S. balance of payments ( Q ). - Department of Commerce, Office of Business Economics
(D2)
518. Merchandise exports, adjusted, excluding military grants: U.S. balance of payments ( $($ ). .- Department of Commerce, Office of Business Economics
(D2)
519. Merchandise imports, adjusled, excluding military: U.S. balance of payments (Q).- Department of Commerce, Office of Business Economics
(02)
520. U.S. investment income, military sales, and other services exports, excluding military gants: U.S. balance of payments (Q). -- Department of Commerce, Office of Business Economics
521. Foreigners' investment income, military expenditures and other services imports: U.S. balance of payments (Q). $\cdots$ Department of Commerce, Office of Business Economics
(D2)
522. Income on U.S. investments abroad: U.S. balance of payments (Q). $\cdots$ Department of Commerce, Office of Business Economics
523. Income on foreign investments in the U.S.: U.S. balance of payments (Q). -- Department of Commerce, Office of Business Economics
524. Receipts from toreign travelers in the U.S.: U.S. balance of payments (Q). -- Department of Commerce, Office of Business Economics
(02)
525. Payments by U.S. travelers abroad: U.S. balance of payments (Q). -- Department of Commerce, Office of Business Economics
(D2)
526. Military sales to foreigners: U.S. balance of payments (Q). -Department of Commerce, Office of Business Economics (D2)
527. U.S. military expenditures abroad: U.S. balance of payments (Q). . - Department of Commerce, Office of Business Economics
528. Receipts for transportation and other services: U.S. balance of payments ( $Q$ ). - Department of Conmerce, Office of Business Economics
529. Payments for transportation and other services: U.S. balance of payments ( $Q$ ).-- Department of Commerce, Office of Business Economics
(D2)
530. Foreign direct investments in the U.S.: U.S. balance of payments (Q). -- Deparment of Commerce, Office of Business Economics
(D2)
531. U.S. direct investments abroad: U.S. balance of payments ( $Q$ ). -Department of Commerce, Office of Business Economics (D2)
532. Foreign purchases of U.S. securities: U.S. balance of payments (Q). .- Department of Commerce, Office of Business Economics
533. U.S. purchases of foreign securities: U.S. balance of payments (Q). -- Department of Commerce, Office of Business Economics
(02)
534. Government gants and capital transactions, net: U.S. balance of payments ( 0 ). .- Department of Commerce, Office of Busi ness Economics
(D2)
535. Banking and other capital transactions, net: U.S. balance of payments (Q)... Department of Commerce, Office of Business Economics
(D2)
536. Federal Government surplus or deficit, national income and product accounts (Q). .- Department of Commerce, Office of Business Economics
(D3)
537. Federal Government receipts, national income and product accounts ( $Q$ ).-- Department of Commerce, Office of Business Economics
538. Federal expenditures, national income and product accounts (Q). .- Department of Commerce, Office of Business Economics
539. Defense Department obligations incurred, total, excluoding military assistance (M). .- Department of Defense, Fiscal Analysis Division; seasonal adjustment by Bureau of the Census
(D3)
540. Defense Department obligations incurred, procurement (M). -Department of Defense, Fiscal Analysis Division; seasonal adjustment by Bureau of the Census
541. Military prime contract awards to U.S. business firms and institutions (M). .- Department of Defense, Directorate for Statistical Services; seasonal adjustment by Bureau of the Census
542. New orders, defense products industries (M). - Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census
543. New orders, delense products (Mil). $\cdots$ Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census
(D3)
544. Index of wholesale prices, all commodities (M). .- Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics
(D4)
545. Index of wholesale prices, processed foods and feeds (M). -. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics (D4)
546. Index of wholesale prices, farm products (M). .- Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics
(D4)
547. Index of consumer prices (M). -- Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics
(D4, E5, F1)
548. Index of consumer prices, food (M). - Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics
549. Index of consumer prices, commodities less food (M). .- Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics
(D4)
550. Index of consumer prices, services (M). .- Department of Labor, Bureas of Labor Statistics
(D4)

## E Analytical Measures

47. Index of industrial production (M). See in section B.
48. Man-hours in nonagricultural establishments (開. See in section B.
49. Personal income (M). See in section B.
50. Sales of retail stores (M). See in section B.
51. Index of wholesale prices, industrial commodities (M). See in section B.
52. GNP in current dollars ( $Q$ ). See in section $A$.
53. Gross national product in 1958 dollars ( $($ ). See in section $A$.
54. Potential level of gross national product in 1958 dollars (Q). .Council of Economic Advisers
(El)
55. Gap -- the potential GNP (series 206) less the actual GNP (Series 205) (0). ‥ Council of Economic Advisers
(E1)
56. Index of consumer prices, all items (M). See in section D.
57. Five coincident indicators -- composite index (includes series 41, 43, 47, 52, and 56) (M). See in section B.
58. Ratio, output to capacity, manulacturing ( $Q$ ). . - Board of Gov ernors of the Federal Reserve System, Department of Commeice, and McGraw-Hill Economics Department
(E2)
59. Ratio, inventories (series 71) to sales (series 56), manufacturing and trade total (EOMi). -- Department of Commerce, Office of Business Economics
(E2)
60. Ratio, unfilled orders (series 96) to shipments, manufacturers' durable goods (EOM). - Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census
61. Ratio, production of business equipment to production of consumer goods (iN). -- Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System. (Based upon components of the Federal Reserve index of industrial production.)
62. Ratio, personal saving to disposable personal income (series 292 divided by series 224) (Q). .- Department of Commerce Office of Business Economics
(E2)
63. Real average hourly earnings of production workers in manufacturing, 1957-59 dollars (im). .. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics
64. Vacancy rate in rental housing -- unoccupied rental housing units as a percent of total rental housing (Q). -- Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census
(E2)
65. Index of output per man-hour, total private nonfarm (Q). .Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics
66. Real spendable average weekly earnings of production or nonsupervisory workers (with 3 dependents) on private nonagricultural payrolls, 1957-59 dollars (M). .- Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics
(E2)
67. Ratio, help-wanted advertising in newspapers (series 46) to total number of persons unemployed (iN). -- The Conference Board, and Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics,

The " $D$ " preceding a number indicates a diffusion index. Diffusion indexes and corresponding aggregate series bear the same number and are obtained from the same sources. See section $B$ for titles and sources of D1, D5, D6, D11, D19, D23, D41, D47, D54, D58, D61 and section C for D440, D442, D444, D446, D450, D460, D462, D464, D466, and D480. Sources for other diffusion indexes are as follows:

D34. Profits, manufacturing, FNCB (Q). .- First National City Bank of New York; seasonal adjustment by Bureau of the Census and National Bureau of Economic Research, Inc.
(E3)

## F International Comparisons

19. United States, index of stock prices, 500 common stocks (M). See in section B.
20. United States, index of industrial production (in). See in section B.
21. Organization for Ecomomic Cooperation and Development, European Countries, index of industrial production (mi). Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (Paris) (F2)
22. United Kingdom, index of industrial production (II) - Central Statistical Office (London)
(F2)
23. Canada, index of industrial production (min). -- Dominion Bureau of Statistics (Ottawa)
24. West Germany, index of industrial production (M). -- Statistisches Bundesamt (Wiesbaden); seasonal adjustment by OECD
(F2)
25. France, index of industrial production (im). .- Institut National de la Statistique et des Etudes Economiques (Paris) (F2)
26. Italy, index of industrial production (ili). -- Istituto Centrale di Statistica (Rome)
27. Japan, index of industrial production (M). .- Ministry of International Trade and Industry (Tokyo)
(F2)
28. United Kingdom, index of consumer prices (M). .- Ministry of Labour (London)
(Fl)
29. Canada, index of consumer prices (M). -- Dominion Bureau of Statistics (OHtawa)
30. West Germany, index of consumer prices (MII). -- Statistisches Bundesamt (Wiesbaden)
(Fl)
31. France, index of consumer prices (im). $\cdots$ Insitut National de la Statistique et des Etudes Economiques (Paris) (F1)
32. Italy, index of consumer prices (M). -- Istituto Centrale di Statistica (Rome)
33. Japan, index of consumer prices (洞. . - Office of the Prime Minister (Tokyo)
34. United Kingdom, index of stock prices (MI). .- The Financial Times (London)
35. Canada, index of stock prices (m). -. Dominion Bureau of Statistics (Ottawa)
36. West Germany, index of stock prices (M). - Statistisches Bundesamt (Wiesbaden)
(F3)
37. France, index of stock prices (m). .- Institut National de la Statistique et des Etudes Economiques (Paris)
(F3)
38. Italy, index of stock prices (M). -- Istituto Centrale di Statistica (Rome)
39. Japan, index of stock prices ( $\left(\begin{array}{l}\text { m }\end{array}\right.$. .- Tokyo Stock Exchange (Tokyo)
(F3)
40. United States, index of consumer prices (M). See in section D.

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    ${ }^{1}$ In many cases, data shown here are rounded to fewer digits or are in different units than those shown in the tables in part II. Where available, annual figures are those published by the source agencies or they are rounded from published figures; otherwise they (and the quarterly figures for monthly series) are averages or totals of the data as shown in part II
    ${ }^{2}$ Differences rather than percent changes are shown for this series.
    ${ }^{3}$ Index for the latest month excludes series 12, 16, 31, and 113, for which data are not yet available.
    ${ }^{4}$ Inverted series. Since this series tends to move counter to movements in general business activity, signs of the changes are reversed.
    ${ }^{5}$ End-of-period series. The annual figures (and quarterly figures for monthly series) are the last figures for the period.

[^1]:    Current data for these series are shown on page 75.

[^2]:    Current data for these series are shown on page 76

[^3]:    Current data for these series are shown on page 81. Annual totals are used prior to 1960.

[^4]:    IBCDD december 1971

[^5]:    To locate basic data for these rates of change, consult "Index--Series Finding Guide," pp. 113 and 114

