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CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY AND MORTGAGE CREDIT

The Korean outbreak in the latter part of June came at a time when economic activity in the United States had reached a very high rate and prices were rising moderately from levels not much below the 1948 peaks. Production was at a new postwar peak with building activity and automobile production at exceptionally high levels. Demands generally were also at advanced levels and were increasing. Consumers were buying automobiles and houses in record volume. Business demands for inventories were expanding further, and earlier plans for expenditure on plant and equipment were being revised upward. Buying was supported in part by substantial expansion of credit, especially home mortgage and consumer instalment credit, and by a more active use of currency and bank deposits.

New construction was in record volume, reflecting primarily the exceptionally high rate of residential building. New houses were being started more rapidly than those under construction were being completed, and at a rate half again as great as a year earlier. Demands for a wide range of construction materials were pressing on available supplies. Reflecting increasing material prices and labor costs, construction costs had been rising since the beginning of the year.

An important factor in the demand for housing was the large volume of funds available on residential mortgages from banks and other lenders on exceptionally easy terms, influenced in part by Government guarantee and insurance. A record volume of mortgages on new and old properties was being written, and the mortgage debt outstanding had reached a new peak, more than twice as high as at the end of the war.

During July, consumer buying expanded greatly and businesses substantially increased their orders for materials and capital equipment. Buying was financed by high and rising consumer and business incomes, substantial further expansion of credit to private borrowers, and use of liquid assets. As a result of heavy buying, prices advanced sharply. By early August basic commodity prices had risen 16 per cent in five weeks and all commodities at wholesale had advanced 5 per cent, with farm products and foods up 8 per cent. Consumer prices, which had risen 1 per cent in June, also advanced further in this period—probably at a more marked rate.

In order to provide quickly the substantial volume of materials needed for national defense and to prevent demands of consumers and businesses, supported by private credit, from adding to existing inflationary pressures, the President initiated a series of Government actions. On July 18 he directed the Federal agencies concerned with real estate credit operations to restrict Federal programs affecting residential construction. On July 19 he requested Congress to authorize emergency powers to limit the use of essential materials; to regulate consumer,

real estate, and commodity trading credit; and to assure adequate financing for defense production and plant. Since July 24 the President has requested additional appropriations for various defense activities and has recommended higher taxes to meet the additional Federal expenditures.

RESTRICTION OF RESIDENTIAL CONSTRUCTION

As a result of the President's letters of July 18, the various Federal agencies concerned with residential construction and financing took steps to limit the availability of mortgage credit and to reduce the volume of residential construction. The President used his discretionary power directly to limit the additional insuring authority of the Federal Housing Administration to 650 million dollars of the 1,250 million provided by the Housing Act of 1950.

The Federal Housing Administration and the Veterans Administration promptly amended the regulations under which they insure or guarantee mortgage loans. Effective July 19 these agencies recognize, for insurance or guarantee of loans, a level of construction costs no higher than that prevailing on July 1. This means that increases in house prices reflecting costs higher than this level may not be included in insured or guaranteed mortgages. With some exceptions and modifications necessary for technical reasons, each agency also requires that a borrower applying for insurance or guarantee of a loan after July 18 shall make a down payment of at least 5 percentage points more than was required under the earlier regula-Accordingly, for owner-occupants, minimum down payments under the Federal programs now range from approximately 5 per cent of property value to 25 per cent, depending on the program, type of borrower, and type of property.

In addition, the Federal Housing Administration reduced the size of the maximum insurable mortgage on a single-family house from \$16,000 to \$14,000 and required that, effective August 1, every borrower on property improvement loans insured under Title I of the National Housing Act make a down payment of 10 per cent of the price of the work. Previously, no down payment had been required. The Veterans Administration required that gratuity payments by the Government to veteran borrowers on GI home loans (the popular name for home mortgage loans guaranteed or insured under the Servicemen's Readjustment Act) be applied to reduction of the loan principal. Such gratuity payments, which are equal to 4 per cent of the amount of the guaranteed portion of the loan (but not more than \$160), could formerly be used as the borrower chose in connection with payments due on the property. These new VA regulations apply also to direct loans made by the Administration under the Housing Act of 1950, and the 150 million dollars authorized for such loans during the fiscal year 1951 will be disbursed in approximately equal quarterly instalments.

The Farmers Home Administration also adopted the level of costs on July 1 as the highest to be recognized for loan purposes and reduced the amount of any farm building loan it will approve. The Administration will now approve a farm building loan only if the amount of the loan, together with other real estate indebtedness of the borrower, does not exceed 95 per cent—rather than 100 per cent—of the appraised value of the farm.

The Home Loan Bank System reduced from 50 to 30 per cent of the member's line of credit the amount which a member institution may borrow for the expansion of business, and restricted the amount of mort-

gages which a member may sell in any calendar year to 20 per cent of its holdings at the beginning of the year. The System also adopted supervisory policies designed to maintain members' appraisals no higher than on July 1, to encourage members to restrict lending so that a borrower's total debt against a property will not exceed 75 per cent of the appraised value, to restrain construction lending, and to encourage shorter maturities and prepayment of mortgages.

These restrictions apply directly only to financing arrangements, or commitments for financing, made after the effective dates of the actions. Construction can continue at a high level for several months under commitments made earlier.

The Public Housing Administration, which administers Federal aid for local lowrent housing programs, limited to not more than 30,000 the number of units that may be started in the second half of 1950, and the Housing and Home Finance Agency suspended indefinitely all applications for loans under the Housing Act of 1950 for construction of student and faculty housing by educational institutions.

Federal and State supervisors of banks and other lending institutions on August 4 issued a joint statement urging all such institutions to exercise special care in their lending and investment activities in order not to add to inflationary pressures. The text of this statement appears on page 947.

RECENT RESIDENTIAL CONSTRUCTION AND MORTGAGE LENDING

The record level of residential building this year has reflected strong desires of established as well as newly formed families for improved living quarters, continuation of the high personal incomes and wide distribution of liquid assets that have prevailed in recent

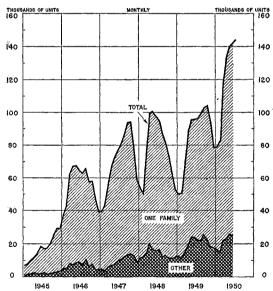
years, and the large amount of credit available on easy terms for mortgage lending—both with and without Federal guarantees.

During the first half of this year, a record 694,000 new housing units were started, half again as many as in the first half of 1949 and one-fifth more than in the second half of that year. In July the number started was slightly above the very high level of May and June.

Single-family houses, as shown in the chart, continue to account for the bulk of all units started. About 150,000 of the 568,000 single-family units started in the first half of this year were started under FHA commitments to insure the mortgages, and a somewhat smaller additional number in anticipation of permanent financing with VA guaranteed mortgages. The remainder, perhaps a little more than half of the total, were started under other credit arrangements.

In this same period some 450,000 newly completed single-family houses were sold, of

NONFARM DWELLING UNITS STARTED



Department of Labor data. Only new permanent family dwelling units built in nonfarm areas are represented; single-person accommodations, conversions, trailers, and all temporary structures are excluded. Latest figures shown: for total, July 1950; for breakdown by one-family and other units, June 1950, with breakdown for May and June estimated by Federal Reserve.

which roughly 50,000 appear to have been sold without mortgages. About half of the remaining units were sold with insured or guaranteed mortgages.

Construction of private multi-family units, which has been considerably larger than in the first half of last year and about the same as in the second half, has depended to a greater extent on Federal mortgage programs. About 95,000 such units were started in the first half of this year, more than twothirds of them financed with mortgages insured by the Federal Housing Administration under Title VI of the National Housing Act. Authority to accept applications for insurance of mortgages on new multi-family units under this provision expired on March 1, 1950. Although in some large metropolitan areas, including Chicago, Detroit, San Francisco, and Washington, the number of multi-family units started has been declining in recent months, the volume of such starts in the country as a whole could continue very large for some time under the substantial volume of Title VI insurance commitments still outstanding.

As was noted above, construction of Federally aided public housing will be limited in the second half of 1950 to 30,000 units, only 1,600 of which had been started by the end of July. The bulk of the public housing now under way has been financed, without Federal assistance, from State and municipal funds and is located in a few States, chiefly New York, Massachusetts, and Connecticut.

RESIDENTIAL MORTGAGE DEBT

Lending on residential real estate mortgages during the first half of 1950 was at a new high level following the resumption of expansion in mid-1949. Mortgage lending on farms and on commercial properties such as stores and office buildings also increased slightly, but industrial concerns continued to finance the major share of construction expenditures from retained earnings and other internal sources.

New loans made on small residential properties in the first half of 1950, shown in the table, are estimated at 6.6 billion dollars, an increase of 600 million dollars, or onetenth over the last half of 1949 and more than one-third over the first half. About 2.4 billion dollars appears to have been advanced to buyers of new houses, 2.8 billion to buyers of old houses, and 1.4 billion to other owners of 1- to 4-family real estate. Almost twothirds of the credit extended for the purchase of new houses and about one-third of that for the purchase of old houses was insured by the Federal Housing Administration or insured or guaranteed by the Veterans Administration under the Servicemen's Readjustment Act.

MORTGAGE DEBT ON 1- TO 4-FAMILY HOUSES

Period	Loans made (during period)	Apparent retire-ments (during period)	Change in loans out- standing (during period)	Loans out- standing (end of period)
1941	3,953	2,953	1,000	19,400
1942	3,201	3,382	-181	19,219
1943	3,252	3,690	-438	18,781
1944	3,857	3,860	-3	18,778
1945	4,721	4,291	430	19,208
1946.	9,470	5,109	4,361	23,569
1947.	10,657	5,656	5,001	28,570
1948.	10,834	5,953	4,881	33,451
1949*,	10,820	7,090	3,730	37,181
1950 (first half)	6,600	3,681	2,919	40,100

Preliminary. NOTE.—Data on outstandings and loans made, 1941-49, from Home Loan Bank Board; first half of 1950 estimated by Federal Reserve. Apparent retirements derived from these figures.

Residential mortgage debt outstanding has increased at a record rate during the past half year as retirement of previously contracted debt has risen much less rapidly than new debt has been written. At the end of June outstanding debt on 1- to 4-family

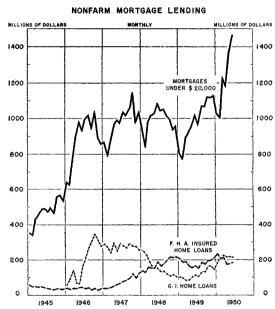
properties, as the table shows, was estimated at about 40 billion dollars, an increase of about 3 billion since the beginning of the year, and more than double the amount outstanding at the end of the war.

About 16.5 billion dollars of this debt, or more than two-fifths, is insured or guaranteed by Federal agencies, VA guarantees protecting about 8.9 billion of this amount and FHA insurance 7.6 billion. In the months ahead the amount of guaranteed and insured debt written will be limited by recent Federal actions reducing funds available and restricting terms under which loans may be guaranteed or insured.

The increase over the past year in the amount of new residential loans insured or guaranteed by Federal agencies reflects a further sharp rise in GI loans this year, together with a continued high level of FHA financing, as is shown on the chart. rapid rise in GI loans since the spring of 1949, following a year and a half of steady decline, appears to be the result of several factors. A decline during 1949 in yields on alternative investments, particularly United States Government securities, made the 4 per cent rate on loans guaranteed by the VA relatively more attractive to investors; the flow of savings into financial institutions continued large, and the supply of funds for mortgage investment was ample; and lenders increasingly became reconciled to the idea that the 4 per cent rate on GI loans would not soon be raised.

Very important, too, was the nature of the market provided by the Federal National Mortgage Association. Until March of this year the Association, by making commitments to buy eligible mortgages, enabled mortgage lenders who usually do not hold appreciable amounts of mortgages to make more loans than private investors were prepared to buy. The secondary market thus provided has been more important in the expansion of GI loans than of FHA loans, of which the FNMA has never taken a very large proportion.

The Housing Act of 1950, approved in April, ended the authority of FNMA to make commitments, and since May the Association by regulation has required that a loan made after March 1, 1950, to be eligible for purchase, must have been held by the lender for at least two months. It is uncertain, however, when these changes will affect purchases by the Association, partly because the Association still had outstanding at the end of July about one billion dollars in undisbursed commitments. Purchases are likely to continue large until this backlog is reduced. Although sales of mortgages held by FNMA have increased markedly in recent



For mortgages under \$20,000, data on nonfarm mortgages recorded during month from Home Loan Bank Board; for GI home loans, loans closed under the Servicemen's Readjustment Act: October, 1946-date, from Veterans Administration; January-September 1946 estimated by National Housing Agency from records of Veterans Administration; for FHA insured home loans, data on loans insured under sections 203 and 603 of the National Housing Act as reported by Federal Housing Administration. Latest figures shown are for June 1950.

months, they are still below purchases, and holdings have continued to increase.

Holdings of real estate mortgages by both financial institutions and noninstitutional lenders have increased sharply since the middle of 1949. In recent months lending on residential properties by financial institutions has expanded somewhat more rapidly than lending by noninstitutional lenders. Life insurance companies continue to hold more real estate mortgages than any other type of financial institution, as is shown in the table. Savings and loan associations continue to be the most important single institutional source of new loans on small residential properties.

REAL ESTATE MORTGAGE LOANS HELD BY SELECTED FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

Date	Total, selected insti- tutions	Life in- surance com- panies	Savings and loan assns.	Com- mer- cial banks	Mutual savings banks
1946—June 30	23.2	6.8	6.2	5.9	4.3
Dec. 31	25.9	7.2	7.1	7.2	4.4
1947—June 30	28.6	7.8	7.9	8.3	4.6
Dec. 31	31.9	8.7	8.9	9.4	4.9
1948—June 30	34.9	9.7	9.6	10.2	5.4
Dec. 31	37.8	10.9	10.3	10.8	5.8
1949—June 30	39.8	11.8	10.8	11.0	6.2
Dec. 31	42.7	12.9	11.6	11.5	6.7
1950—June 30	46.5	14.1	12.7	12.4	7.3

NOTE.—Figures for commercial and mutual savings banks from Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation and Comptroller of Currency; savings and loan association figures from Home Loan Bank Board; and life insurance company figures from Institute of Life Insurance. June 30, 1950 figures for all institutions and June 30 figures for all years for savings and loan associations are estimated by Federal Reserve.

Nonresidential Construction

Since the spring of 1949 the volume of new construction, seasonally adjusted, has been rising steadily, reflecting for the most part the exceptionally rapid expansion of residential construction already discussed. The volume of private construction in the first half of 1950 was one-fifth larger than a year earlier and one-sixth larger than in the second half of 1949. Public construc-

tion as a whole was only moderately larger than a year ago. Construction costs, which declined somewhat during the spring of 1949 and were fairly stable in the second half of that year, have risen steadily this year, and in the first six months of 1950 average costs were at about the same level as a year earlier.

Business construction. The volume of construction for business purposes, seasonally adjusted, has risen almost 10 per cent since winter, reversing the almost continuous decline which began in the autumn of 1948. In the first half of this year, however, business construction was still substantially lower than a year earlier.

The upturn this spring and summer reflected the general strengthening of business demand and was accounted for largely by increased building of new manufacturing plants and retail stores. Increased investment in new plant has taken place in both durable and nondurable goods industries, including especially the automobile, machinery, chemicals, food products, and textile industries. Prior to the Korean outbreak the steel industry had announced plans to expand capacity by 6 million tons, involving some additional plant construction, before the end of Recent events may hasten this ex-1952. pansion.

The rise in retail store construction has reflected the need for shopping and other commercial facilities in recently developed residential areas, as well as the further decentralization of commercial activities to suburban areas. Other types of commercial construction, such as warehouses and office buildings, have been in about the same volume as a year earlier.

Public utility construction, which accounts for about three-fifths of all construction by private business concerns, has been increasing

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this summer, following a fairly steady decline from a very high level in the spring of 1949. The volume this year, however, is still somewhat below that of a year ago, largely because of decreases in construction of communications and railroad facilities; for electric and gas companies there has been little change.

Public construction. The postwar volume of public construction, while substantial, has not been large enough to satisfy needs deferred in past years, together with recent needs generated by large additions of housing and business facilities. Expansion in public construction this year has been less rapid than in earlier years.

Construction of schools and other educational buildings has increased considerably and construction of hospitals, chiefly for veterans, has also continued to expand. Additional schools, however, are still needed in very large volume to provide for the sharply increased school population. Construction of new streets and highways this year, while 10 per cent larger than a year ago, is less than in the late thirties when there was still a substantial work relief program under way. Maintenance and repair have accounted for a large share of all the work done on streets and highways since 1945. The need for new and improved roads and streets is great.

Work in most of these fields as well as in other types of public construction, such as sewage and water, rivers and harbors, and natural resource development, will be affected substantially by the national defense program.

MATERIALS AND LABOR

In response to the high and rising level of construction activity after the spring of 1949, output of materials and employment in construction increased, and since then have generally continued to expand, after allowance for seasonal influence. Beginning last autumn, prices of many materials advanced, and average wholesale prices are now higher than at the peak in 1948. Since the end of June this year, inventory buying has increased and retail sales of building materials have been in record volume.

Employment in construction is about onetenth larger than a year ago, and wage rates have continued to advance. Average hourly earnings in the construction industry have risen 6 per cent since last summer, reflecting some increase in overtime. Output per construction worker has also continued to increase.

Production and supplies of materials. Output of lumber, which increased sharply last autumn and then declined more than seasonally during the winter, rose further this spring and summer to a level higher than at any time since 1929. New orders and shipments both for immediate use in building and for replenishment of distributors' inventories have also been very large, however, and have exceeded production throughout the first half of this year. Stocks of lumber held by manufacturers have been reduced considerably below a year ago, but retail stocks have been rising steadily.

Production of lumber products, including hardwood flooring, millwork, and plywood, has also risen sharply this spring and summer. Stocks of these items in the hands of manufacturers have been drawn down appreciably since last summer; hardwood flooring stocks have been reduced by about 60 per cent and plywood stocks by about 25 per cent. Retail stocks of lumber products also appear to have been reduced.

Output of fabricated metal products, such as heating apparatus, plumbing supplies, and cast iron soil pipe, has risen considerably this year, following sharp reductions in the first

half of 1949. Shipments of these items have generally exceeded production in recent months, and manufacturers' stocks have consequently been reduced from the relatively high levels reached in mid-1949. Supplies of cast iron radiation are only about half as large as they were a year ago, and stocks of warm air furnaces, cast iron boilers, and bathtubs are also considerably smaller than last summer when they were accumulating in the hands of manufacturers.

Supplies of clay products and cement have fluctuated much less than other construction materials during the postwar period. Output of brick, tile, clay sewer pipe, and cement has been fairly stable at high levels since 1947. Cement stocks this summer were at about the same level as in earlier postwar years, following usual seasonal declines from the early spring peak.

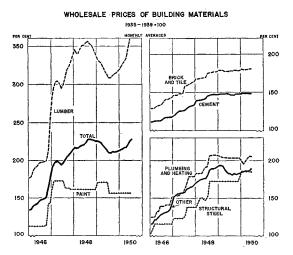
Prices of materials. Last summer the general decline in prices of building materials and equipment, which began in the autumn of 1948, came to an end, and since then many prices have been rising steadily; others have shown no increase since the beginning of the year. This summer the area of price advances has widened, and premium prices are once again being offered for materials in limited supply.

By the end of July average wholesale prices of building materials had risen 11 per cent from last summer's low point and exceeded the peak reached in the autumn of 1948. Prices of lumber have risen most sharply, as shown in the chart, following a steady decline for 12 months. Increases in dealer-to-

contractor quotations for some lumber items, such as hardwood flooring and millwork in some major cities, have been greater than the 20 per cent rise indicated by the Bureau of Labor Statistics wholesale price index.

Marked increases in prices of metals have been reflected in the prices of fabricated metal products used in building. Copper prices are more than one-third above their low of last summer, and wholesale prices of plumbing and heating supplies have been rising steadily this spring and summer.

With supplies of cement and clay products generally adequate to meet demands in almost all areas, cement prices have shown little change since last fall, while quotations for clay products have risen only 2 per cent in the last 12 months.



Bureau of Labor Statistics indexes converted to 1935-39 base by Federal Reserve. Total includes "paint materials" subgroup not shown separately. "Other" subgroup includes chiefly metal building materials except structural steel; asphalt, glass, gravel, and crushed stone; millwork and prepared roofing. Latest figures shown for subgroups are for June 1950; for total, Federal Reserve estimate for July 1950.

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STATEMENT ON THE DEFENSE PRODUCTION ACT OF 1950*

The Defense Production Act of 1950 would carry out the steps toward economic preparedness recommended by the President in his message of July 19 to the Congress. Because of the responsibilities which the Congress has placed upon the Board in the credit and monetary area, we are especially interested in those provisions of the bill relating to the guarantee of defense production loans and the regulation of consumer and real estate credit. We are, therefore, addressing this statement primarily to the reasons why we believe that these provisions should be promptly enacted as a part of the broad legislation needed to meet the present situation.

GUARANTEE OF DEFENSE LOANS

Section 301 of the bill would authorize the President to reinstitute a guarantee program similar to the V-loan program operated by the Federal Reserve System during World War II. The proposed program would be confined to the guarantee by the national defense procurement agencies of loans made by banks and other financial institutions to contractors to finance the production of defense materials needed by the United States in the present emergency. This program is not to be confused with various proposals advanced in postwar years for the peacetime guarantee of business loans.

The financing problems of contractors engaged in defense production, particularly where they are small and medium-size, are unique in character. The loan guarantee mechanism here proposed provides an effective solution of these problems. Contracts for essential defense materials often require much larger financing by contractors than they are able to command under ordinary financing practices. It can make possible maximum participation by numerous smaller business enterprises in the Government's defense production program, particularly those who do not themselves have direct Government contracts but whose work as subcontractors is essential for prompt performance on the

larger prime contracts. It can also make practical the awarding of more Government contracts, requiring unusually large working capital or expansion in plant and facilities, directly to relatively small and medium-size concerns. Without such financing, these concerns would not be able to make a full contribution to defense production. Finally, where great speed is essential in the performance of Government contracts, the mechanism can serve to expedite the consummation of loans with a promptness which is not always possible under usual procedures.

The loan guarantee proved to be an eminently successful means of encouraging the extension of private credit for facilitating production under Government contracts during World War II. The guarantee program of that period-the so-called V-loan program referred to earlier—was set up under Executive Order of the President in March 1942. Under that program, loans for war production were guaranteed by the Armed Services through the agency of the Federal Reserve System. The twelve regional Federal Reserve Banks and twenty-four branches, with experienced personnel and close daily contacts with financial institutions, afforded an already existing and well-adapted organization for making such guarantees promptly available to contractors throughout the country. The Board of Governors in Washington acted as the coordinating agency in the administration of the program.

During the course of the V-loan program, bank loans to war contractors, both large and small, amounting to about 10.5 billion dollars were approved for guarantees by the Armed Services through the agency of the Federal Reserve System. Over 90 per cent of the number and one-third of the amount of these guarantees were on loans to small and medium-size businesses; that is, businesses with total assets of less than 5 million dollars. Notwithstanding the great volume of loans handled, the program was self-supporting; receipts of the Treasury from the program exceeded expenses and losses by 23 million dollars by the end of 1949. Without the program, the production of war materials would have required more Government financing through direct lending and other means.

^{*}Statement presented by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System to the Committee on Banking and Currency of the Senate, and read by Governor R. M. Evans to the Committee on Banking and Currency of the House of Representatives, July 25, 1950.

For the reasons indicated, the Board feels that the program of guaranteed loans which would be authorized by Section 301 of the bill would constitute an essential part of any plan for expediting deliveries under defense production contracts. If the President should see fit again to utilize the Federal Reserve System for this loan guarantee program, the Board and the Federal Reserve Banks would immediately direct their facilities toward its vigorous and expeditious administration. the experience gained by the System under the V-loan program during World War II and with personnel both at the Board and at the regional Reserve Banks who participated in the previous operations, it would be possible to develop and put into effect within a very short time the new program of guaranteed loans contemplated by this bill.

REGULATION OF CONSUMER AND REAL ESTATE CREDIT

Section 401 of the bill authorizes the President to regulate consumer and real estate credit. Under such authority minimum down payments on purchases, maximum maturities, and other standards appropriate to limit credit extension could be prescribed. Section 402 of the bill would strengthen the President's authority to curtail Federal financing programs in the housing field when the national interest so requires. We regard these as important provisions of the proposed legislation.

Consumer credit regulations were administered by the Board of Governors from September 1941 through October 1947 and again from September 1948 through June 1949.

Such regulations as might be necessary in the real estate credit field under Section 401 would have to be designed to meet the special needs of this area. They would have the general purpose of supporting and supplementing the President's program of cutting back on Federally guaranteed and insured mortgage credit.

Authority for restrictions on consumer and real estate credit should be provided for use to the extent necessary as an essential part of the program for conserving resources for defense and protecting the economy against inflation. This authority would help to prevent current and potential demand from exceeding supply in the areas affected. Accordingly, it would help to reduce inflationary pressure upon prices in these areas. It would help to make materials and manpower more readily available for the national defense and military

effort, including the materials and manpower necessary to expand our total productive capacity.

The present international situation not only increases greatly the Government's demand for the goods and services of our economy, but at the same time accelerates private demand. These two additional factors of demand are imposed on a condition of already very high demand, employment, and prices. Even before the attack by the Communist North Koreans on June 25, prices were rising and we were in a potentially inflationary situation. Because of developments of the past few weeks, it is imperative that steps be taken to reduce or defer civilian demands and to lessen inflationary pressures.

The state of public psychology has already stimulated consumer buying and the accumulation of business inventories. In the week ending July 15 department store sales rose to a level 24 per cent above a year ago, with increases ranging from 12 per cent in the Richmond District to 39 per cent in the Dallas District. Sales of automobiles and houses have risen to record levels.

Prices of 28 basic commodities, which had risen 7 per cent from January 3 of this year to June 23, advanced sharply after the invasion of South Korea—10 per cent in one month. The all-commodity index of wholesale prices, which had risen 4 per cent by June 20, has since jumped 3 per cent further. Consumer prices began to rise in March and recently the advance has been further accelerated. Consumer prices are now higher than at any other time, except for a short period in the latter part of 1948.

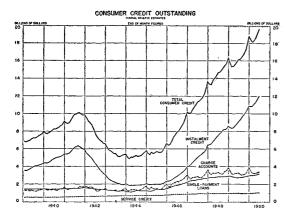
Unless prompt action is taken, the country will face serious problems of gray markets and spiraling prices. Not only would this situation upset our economic balance but it would add to the difficulty in procuring the manpower and materials necessary for the military effort.

One of the major factors in the expansion of private demand is the growth of mortgage and consumer credit. Since the end of 1945, as shown on the accompanying chart, consumer credit has been increasing by about 3 billion dollars a year. The increase in the past 12 months was 3.5 billion dollars and in May was about 500 million, the largest increase on record for that month. This was before the Korean crisis precipitated the present buying spree.

The most important segment of total consumer

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credit is instalment credit, especially for the purchase of durable goods. During the past year instalment credit rose nearly 3 billion dollars and accounted for 83 per cent of the increase in total consumer credit. The role which instalment credit has been playing in the growth of demand is illustrated not only in the amount of the expansion but also by the relaxation in the terms under which such credit is extended. Reports of declines in the required down payment are widespread and the average period of repayment has lengthened progressively.

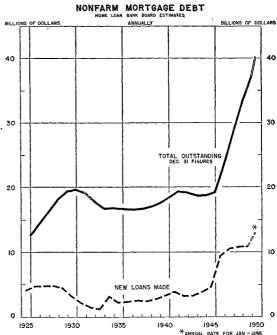


The current record rate of residential construction involves the greatest increase in mortgage credit which the country has ever experienced. Home mortgages made by all lenders in the first half of 1950 amounted to about 6.6 billion dollars or an annual rate of 13 billion dollars, as shown on the following chart.

The net increase in mortgage debt outstanding during the first half of 1950 (after regular amortization and other repayments) was about 3 billion dollars, bringing the total outstanding on June 30 to about 40 billion. The home mortgage debt of this country has more than doubled since the end of the war.

Expansion of consumer and mortgage credit contributes not only to the current demand for labor and materials that go into housing and durable consumer goods, but also augments the demand for all other goods. The purchasing power created by consumer and mortgage credit enters the income stream where it adds to the competition for goods including materials vital to the national defense.

Growth of consumer and mortgage credit increases the volume of money and other liquid assets.



Expansion of bank loans for such purposes adds to the growth of bank deposits. Bank holdings of both consumer instalment paper and mortgage paper are rising rapidly and are thus adding to the total supply of money which is already so large in relation to current output as to provide a constant inflationary threat. Restriction of consumer and mortgage credit, therefore, would help to keep within bounds the quantity of money and other liquid assets in the hands of the public.

In normal times consumer and mortgage credit play a very important and desirable role in our economic system. Without such credit widespread home ownership and mass distribution of durable goods would not have been possible. If our mass production economy is to sustain its expansive character in normal times, we will need to have expansion of mortgage and consumer financing. However, in order that such financing may be of greatest value it is important that it be used most fully when industry is in a position to meet the demands created. When industry is already occupied to capacity and important resources must be diverted to the defense effort, the creation of new credit cannot increase the general availability of goods. On the contrary it contributes to inflation and economic disorganization. If mortgage and consumer credit is appropriately limited now

it will be in a better position to play a necessary and desirable role whenever adequate productive capacity is once more available to meet freely consumer demands.

Regulation of consumer credit should and can be flexible. The previous regulations were tailored to fit prevailing conditions, with coverage and terms suited to changing circumstances. To illustrate, in the fall of 1941 the regulation applied only to instalment credit relating for the most part to consumer durable goods of substantial unit cost-automobiles, refrigerators, and the like. When the country entered the war the regulation was enlarged in scope in keeping with the general mobilization which took place. It covered practically all consumer durable and soft goods and instalment, single payment, and charge account credit. After the war, late in 1946, the scope of the regulation was made even more limited than when it was originally applied.

The decentralized character of Federal Reserve System operations proved well adapted to the administration of consumer credit regulation as well as to the V-loan guarantee program. Through our twelve Federal Reserve Banks and twenty-four branches, located in every region of the country, we were able to tap quickly and effectively the informed opinions of small as well as large business.

In our experience with the administration of consumer credit regulation, the business community

gave us excellent cooperation. Various trade associations took an active part in acquainting businessmen and the public with credit regulations, and they cooperated to the fullest in helping to assemble needed technical information. Large and small financing institutions responded generously to our requests for information and advice. State and Federal supervisory authorities also gave us valuable assistance during the course of their regular work.

With respect to real estate credit, there should be an equally practicable approach. The full cooperation of leaders in the mortgage financing field should be enlisted to design a regulation, similarly flexible and adapted to the changing economic situation.

The commercial banks play a strategic role in the real estate credit market. Any regulation of such credit will have significant effects on general credit conditions in which the Federal Reserve System is primarily interested.

The need to strengthen our economic defenses is no less than the need to strengthen our military defenses. We cannot afford to risk disrupting our economy by leaving it unduly exposed to the inflationary pressures that are inherent in large defense expenditures. Prompt action is imperative. As the President said in his message on the present situation: "We must be sure to take the steps that are necessary now, or we shall surely be required to take much more drastic steps later on."

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DEFENSE LOAN POLICY

An Announcement Adopted Jointly by National and State Supervisors of Banks and Other Lending Institutions

The President of the United States in his message to the Congress on July 19, 1950, pointed out that as a further important safeguard against inflation we shall need to restrain credit expansion, and that if we are to be successful there must be sensible and restrained action by businessmen, laborers, farmers, and consumers. The need for the exercise of restraint is all-embracing. It applies alike to governmental agencies, national and State, as well as to private institutions and individuals.

Accordingly, the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, the Comptroller of the Currency, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, the Home Loan Bank Board, and the National Association of Supervisors of State Banks urge that banks and all other institutions engaged in extending credit exercise special care in their lending and investment activities.

The banks and other lending institutions of the country have demonstrated by their loyal response at critical periods in the past that they will stand united with their Government in the situation that now confronts us.

Officials of associations of lending institutions have called upon banks and other financial institutions to decline to make loans to business or consumers which might be used for speculative purposes or otherwise interfere with defense requirements. The supervisory authorities strongly join in this request.

All officials of the supervisory agencies will be glad to confer with the officers of banks and other financial institutions, to counsel with them regarding this program of credit restraint.

As pointed out by President Truman, an abnormally high civilian demand for goods along with an increased need for military materials is creating a strong upward pressure on prices. A continuation of the rapid growth of credit resulting from consumer demand for houses and other goods and speculative accumulation of inventories by business would add to inflationary pressures and seriously handicap the necessary expansion of military production. Therefore, lenders should carefully analyze all loan applications and avoid making loans which would have these adverse effects.

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BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM
COMPTROLLER OF THE CURRENCY
FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION
HOME LOAN BANK BOARD
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF SUPERVISORS OF STATE BANKS

PART III. Distribution of Consumer Income in 1949 1

Interruption in late 1948 and the first half of 1949 of the extended postwar rise in economic activity and prices was accompanied by only a slight decline in total income of consumers. While aggregate consumer income remained at very high levels, readjustments during the year had varying effects on the incomes of different groups in the population. Information concerning the effect of these changes on the distribution of income among major population groups and on levels of money income in 1949 is presented in this article.²

SUMMARY

In the first half of 1949 increased unemployment and lowered levels of income for a substantial part of the population accompanied declines in production. The incomes of many persons who remained employed were affected by less steady work or by a reduction in the number of hours worked. Farm income declined as a result of falling prices and unincorporated business income turned down. Increased business activity in the second half of the year tended to raise consumer incomes (as has been discussed in Part I of this series) and to reduce the volume of unemployment. However, the upturn in the second half was not sufficient to offset the decline in the early part of the year. Farm prices continued to drift downward for most of the year.

Reflecting these readjustments, the total amount

This is the third in a series of articles presenting the results of the 1950 Survey of Consumer Finances sponsored by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and conducted by the Survey Research Center of the University of Michigan. The first article in the series appeared in the June Bulletin and covered the general financial position and economic outlook of consumers. The second article, devoted to durable goods expenditures in 1949 and buying plans for 1950, appeared in the July Bulletin, as did a special article on the methods of the surveys. Subsequent issues of the Bulletin will contain articles analyzing changes in consumer saving patterns and in holdings of liquid and nonliquid assets.

The present article was prepared by Irving Schweiger of the Consumer Credit and Finances Section of the Board's Division of Research and Statistics. The author has necessarily maintained a close working relationship with the staff of the Survey Research Center at all stages of his work and in his analysis of survey tabulations has had the benefit of many suggestions from the Center's staff, particularly John B. Lansing, James K. Dent, and E. Scott Maynes.

of consumer income in 1949 was slightly below 1948. Since the number of consumer units in the population increased, the decline in average income was more than proportional to the decline in total income. For the first time since the end of the war, there was an increase in the proportion of the population with incomes of less than \$2,000 and a decrease in the proportion with incomes between \$2,000 and \$4,999.

Those hardest hit by declines in income were the entrepreneurial groups-spending units headed by farm operators and by managerial and self-employed persons. The incomes of other occupational groups were less seriously affected, although there were many individuals in each group with substantial income declines. Despite the decline in total and average incomes, one and one-half times as many consumers reported increases in income as decreases. This factor, in conjunction with the undiminished rate of expenditure for major durable goods by the occupational groups whose incomes were most seriously reduced, helps to account for the maintenance of total consumer expenditures in 1949 in the face of a slightly lower level of total consumer income.

Increases in income in 1949 were obtained some-

² Data are based on the results of about 3,500 interviews taken in 66 sampling areas throughout the nation. The sample is representative of the entire population of the United States residing in private households. The following groups are omitted: (1) members of the armed forces and civilians living at military reservations; (2) residents in hospitals and in religious, educational, and penal institutions; and (3) the floating population, that is, people living in hotels, large boarding houses, and tourist camps. The interview unit of the survey is the spending unit, defined as all persons living in the same dwelling and belonging to the same family who pool their incomes to meet their major expenses.

The limitations of survey data outlined in the June 1950 BULLETIN and in the discussion of methods presented in the July BULLETIN are applicable to the information presented in this article. Survey findings approximate the true order of magnitude of data but do not represent exact values. Variations from the true values may be introduced by chance fluctuations in the particular sample of interviews, by errors in reporting on the part of those interviewed, by differences in interpretation by either respondents or interviewers, and by methods used in processing data. Only the first of these—sampling error—can be measured statistically. It should be kept in mind that the other sources of error may be of equal importance to the accuracy of survey results.

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what more frequently and decreases somewhat less frequently by consumers who had been at the lower end of the income scale in 1948 than by those who had been at the upper end. This continued the pattern of change between 1947 and 1948, with a somewhat less pronounced differential in favor of the lower income groups.

The pattern of income changes from 1947 to 1948 apparently resulted in a reduction in the proportion of total income going to the highest tenth of the population when ranked according to income. Continuation in 1949 of this general pattern of income change appears to have resulted in a further reduction in this proportion. The data from four surveys, each covering a year of the postwar period 1946-49, indicate that the share of income received by the highest tenth of the population was greatest in 1947, following the lifting of most wartime controls and the onset of inflationary rises in prices and incomes. By 1949, this share was equal to or slightly lower than it had been in 1946 and smaller than is indicated for 1941 by data from other sources.

LEVELS OF INCOME

Reflecting the economic readjustments in 1949, total consumer money income before taxes declined slightly from the 1948 level, according to both survey data and Department of Commerce estimates. This was the first decline in the postwar period. At the same time, the number of consumer spending units in the population increased by about 3 per cent. The combination of these factors resulted in a noticeable decline in the average amount of consumer income per spending unit. The median (middlemost) income of consumer spending units slipped to \$2,700 in 1949 from \$2,840 in the previous year. Mean income (arithmetic average), which is subject to somewhat greater sampling variations, declined from \$3,450 to \$3,270 (see Table 1). Notwithstanding the decline, money incomes still averaged higher in 1949 than in 1947 or 1946, when the median income was estimated to be \$2,530 and \$2,300 respectively. Changes in consumer prices in this four-year period, however, as measured by the Department of Labor, roughly matched the rise and fall in median money income. Accordingly, it would appear that there has been little change in real income for the middlemost spending unit in this period.

TABLE 1 INCOME GROUPING OF SPENDING UNITS AND MONEY INCOME RECEIVED, 1949, 1948, AND 1947 [Percentage distribution]

	19	49	19	48	1947		
Annual money income before taxes	Spend- ing units	Total money income		Total money income		Total money income	
Under \$1,000 \$1,000-\$1,999 \$2,000-\$2,999 \$3,000-\$3,999 \$4,000-\$4,999 \$5,000-\$7,499 \$7,500-\$9,999 \$10,000 and over	21	2 9 16 19 15 19 20	12 18 23 20 12 10 2 3	2 8 16 20 r15 17 22	14 22 23 17 10 9	2 10 17 18 13 16 } 24	
All income groups.	100	100	100	100	100	100	
Median income 2 Mean income 3			\$2,840 \$3,450		\$2,530 \$3,290		

The decline in total money income in 1949, the first in the postwar period, was accompanied by an increase in the relative frequency of low-income spending units. After having fallen from 40 per cent in 1946 to 30 per cent in 1948, the proportion of units with incomes of less than \$2,000 rose to 33 per cent in 1949. The number with negative incomes due to business or farm losses rose from negligible frequencies in previous years to about 1 per cent of the consumer unit population in 1949. Some decline occurred in the relative frequency of units at intermediate income levels (between \$2,000 and \$4,999) while little change was noted for higher income levels (\$5,000 or more), as is shown in the chart on the following page.

In terms of number of units, roughly 17 million spending units received incomes of less than \$2,000 in 1949, approximately 2 million more than in 1948 but still about 1.5 million fewer than in 1946. About 8.5 million units had incomes of \$5,000 or more, which was approximately the same as in 1948 and nearly double the number at this income level in 1946.

As in previous years, the largest average income was received by the group of spending units headed by managerial and self-employed persons (median \$4,500, mean \$5,630). As shown in Table 2, professional and semi-professional persons followed (\$4,000-\$5,350); next came skilled and semi-

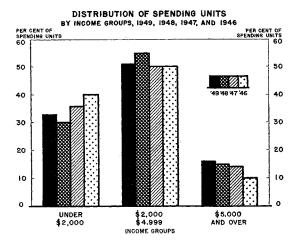
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¹ Income data for each year are based on interviews during January, February, and early March of the following year.

² The median amount is that of the middle spending unit when all units are ranked by size of income.

³ The mean amount is the average obtained by dividing aggregate income by the number of spending units.



skilled workers (\$3,200-\$3,350); and clerical and sales personnel (\$2,800-\$3,260). The lowest incomes, on the average, were received by unskilled and service workers (\$2,100-\$2,410) and farm operators (\$1,500-\$2,570). The wide divergence between the median and mean income of farm operators is evidence of the heavy concentration of farmers at the lower end of the income scale, which results in a low middlemost income. The substantial number with high incomes (\$5,000 or more), on the other hand, has a considerable effect in raising the arithmetic average for the entire group. It should be noted that money income only is being considered here. Most farm operators also have a substantial amount of nonmoney income, such as food produced and consumed on the farm. Their reported incomes, which refer solely to money incomes, are therefore not fully comparable with those of other occupational groups.

Changes in Income from 1948 to 1949

To this point, discussion has centered on the decline in the general level of income in 1949. This, however, tells only part of the story. A balanced appraisal of income movements from one period to another requires more than aggregates and averages for the entire population.

Declines in income in 1949 were concentrated among a relatively small part of the population, being reported by only 25 per cent of all units.

TABLE 2 Income Grouping of Spending Units within Different Occupational Groups, 1949 and 1948 1 [Percentage distribution]

	[Fercentage distribution]													
Annual money income before taxes	and s	and semi-		Managerial and self- employed		Clerical and sales personnel		Skilled and semiskilled		Unskilled and service		rm tors ²		
	1949	1948	1949	1948	1949	1948	1949	1948	1949	1948	1949	1948		
Under \$1,000. \$1,000-\$1,999 \$2,000-\$2,999 \$3,000-\$3,999 \$4,000-\$4,999 \$5,000-\$7,499 \$7,500 and over	9 15 22 15 19	3 10 16 20 17 16 18	5 11 12 15 14 24 19	5 11 13 11 13 25 22	3 22 28 17 14 13 3	3 18 30 24 14 9	3 11 26 30 17 12	2 78 26 33 719 11	19 27 30 17 4 3 (³)	14 31 31 17 5 2	36 22 15 9 4 6	30 23 17 9 5 11		
All income groups	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100		
Median income	\$4,000 \$5,350				\$2,800 \$3,260		\$3,200 \$3,350			\$2,100 \$2,310	\$1,500 \$2,570			
Number of cases	287	293	466	470	486	495	895	886	344	427	410	430		

* Less than one-hair of 1 per cent.

Note.—The "number of cases" shown in this and in subsequent tables represents the actual number of spending units falling in each cell. Because the survey oversamples certain groups and corrects for the oversampling by the use of weights, the unweighted number of spending units in a cell does not represent the same proportion of the total sample as the weighted proportion. For example, spending units with incomes of \$5,000 or more in 1949 were 15.8 per cent of the weighted sample, but there were 706 such spending units which, on an unweighted basis, amounted to 20.1 per cent of the 3,512 spending units in the sample. Tables based on entire samples do not state the number of cases, which approximates 3,500 respondents for the annual surveys and about half that for the midyear surveys. For a detailed description of the sampling methods, see "Methods of the Survey of Consumer Finances," July 1950 BULLETIN, pp. 795-800 795-809

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¹ Income data for each year are based on interviews during January, February, and early March of the following year. Because of the small number of cases in the various occupational groups and also because of some differences in the coding by occupations between the two years, these distributions should be considered as approximations only and as very rough guides to general shifts in the distribution of income between 1948 and 1949. All the occupational groupings are in terms of the occupation of the head of the spending unit. For comparable 1947 and 1946 data, see June 1948 Federal Reserve BULLETIN, Table 7, p. 656; for 1945 income data, see July 1947 BULLETIN, Table 2, p. 792.

² As explained in the text, income distribution for farm operators is not directly comparable with the distribution for other groups because of the large amount of nonmoney income that farmers produce for their own consumption.

³ Less than one-half of 1 per cent.

The incomes of the majority of the population were unchanged or increased. Compared with a situation in which an over-all decline in income resulted from a loss in income by most spending units in the population, the distribution of declines in 1949 tended to minimize curtailment or post-ponement of buying, particularly of expensive items such as automobiles and refrigerators.

Distribution of increases and decreases. Although both aggregate income and average consumer income before taxes were lower in 1949 than in the preceding year, less than 3 in every 10 spending units reported declines in income. Many of the declines, however, were quite large. Another 3 in 10 had the same income in both years and 4 in 10 obtained larger incomes in 1949.³

It is significant that income declines in 1949 were not only confined to a relatively small part of the population but were outnumbered by increases in income. This finding helps to explain the continuation of a very high level of consumer expenditures in 1949 despite a decline in aggregate income. Consumers whose incomes had risen tended to maintain or expand their purchases, especially of major durable goods. In addition, although a larger proportion of farm operators than of any other group experienced income declines, the group as a whole not only maintained their purchases of major household items but also sharply increased their purchases of automobiles. Special factors in the maintenance of expenditures by farmers were the greater availability of new cars in farm areas, partly due to revision of manufacturer's marketing quotas; the relatively recent extension of rural electrification to large groups of farmers which fostered demand for household appliances; continued large holdings of liquid assets; the assurance afforded by the Federal price support program; and the fact that farm incomes, though down from the all-time peak of 1948, were still high relative to prewar years.

The number of consumer spending units who received higher incomes in 1949 compared with the preceding year—20 million—was smaller than in any previous year-to-year comparison in the postwar period. On the other hand, the number with decreases in income—nearly 13 million—was larger than in any year since 1946 and nearly as

large as in the reconversion period between 1945 and 1946. A greater frequency of increases than decreases is, of course, consistent with a decline in total income, if the increases are smaller in size than the decreases. This general relationship appears to have been true for the consumer spending units covered by the 1950 Survey of Consumer Finances. It should be noted that in every survey the frequency of decreases in income is probably somewhat understated inasmuch as persons who had died, entered the armed services, or otherwise left the population covered by the survey in a given year are not included in the next year's survey.

Changes in income for various groups. Age groups. The frequency of increases in income between 1948 and 1949 was greatest among young consumer spending units (those headed by persons from 18 to 24 years of age) and less frequent at each older age group, as can be seen in Table 3. This pattern was similar to those found in previous surveys. Rises in income substantially outnumbered declines for consumers less than 45 years of age, while increases and decreases were about equally numerous among consumers 45 or more years of age. The large number of income increases for the younger group and the high rate of family formation and growth in this group were undoubtedly major elements in the considerably higher frequency of durable goods purchases by this group.

Occupational groups. Each of the major occupational groups reported fewer increases in annual income between 1948 and 1949 than between 1947 and 1948 and, except for the professionals, a greater number of declines. As in previous years, the 1950 survey indicated that increases were most frequent and decreases least frequent among professional and semi-professional persons and clerical and sales personnel. In these groups, increases were from three to four times as frequent as declines. Also, as in previous years, entrepreneurial types-farm operators and managerial and self-employed persons —were at the opposite end of the scale. They had the largest proportion of decreases and the smallest proportion of increases in income of the major occupational groups. Farm operators fared worst of all.

For the first time in the postwar period, a major occupational group—farmers—experienced more declines than increases in money income. Many of the declines were substantial; 1 in every 4 farm operators reported his income to be at least 25 per

⁸ It should be kept in mind that data on income change rely upon the respondents' recollection of their incomes for a period covering two years and are therefore subject to considerable memory error.

Table 3

Income Changes for Spending Units in Various Occupational and Age Groups
1948 to 1949 and 1947 to 1948

[Percentage distribution of spending units within specified groups]

				Change	in annual	money inc	ome befor	re taxes		
Characteristic	Númber of		Ir	icome larg	er		In	come smal	ler	
of group	cases	All units	Total	By 25 per cent or more	Some- what	No sub- stantial change	Total	Some- what	By 25 per cent or more	Not ascer- tained
All spending units: 1948-49	3,512 3,510	100 100	39 50	16 19	23 31	29 27	25 19	15 12	10 7	7 4
1948-49	287 293	100 100	56 59	19 19	37 40	27 23	12 14	8 11	4 3	5 4
1948-49. 1947-48. Clerical and sales personnel—	466 470	100 100	37 46	15 22	22 24	27 30	27 20	19 14	8 6	9 4
1948-49Skilled and semiskilled—	486 495	100 100	50 60	25 22	25 38	30 25	16 13	11 9	5 4	4 2
1948-49. 1947-48. Unskilled and service—	894 886	100 100	44 54	15 20	29 34	25 26	25 16	19 12	6 4	6 4
1948-49	344 427	100 100	39 54	16 20	23 34	32 26	22 16	14 11	8 5	7 4
1948-49	410 430	100 100	30 45	15 21	15 24	19 22	46 27	20 17	26 10	5 6
18-24 years— 1948-49 1947-48 25-34 years—	342 343	100 100	62 72	41 38	21 34	14 12	19 13	11 9	8 4	.5 3
1948-49	779 717	100 100	48 60	20 25	28 35	21 20	24 16	14 11	10 5	7 4
1948-49 1947-48 45-54 years—	777 793	100 100	40 48	13 18	27 30	26 29	28 21	17 15	11 6	6 2
1948–49. 1947–48. 55–64 years—	670 739	100 100	33 50	10 18	23 32	31 29	29 17	18 11	11 6	7 4
1948-49 1947-48	495 518	100 100	31 44	10 13	21 31	34 31	29 20	17 13	12 7	6 5
65 years or over— 1948–49 1947–48	419 388	100 100	19 28	7 8	12 20	51 43	22 21	14 11	8 10	8 8

¹ Based on changes in amount of annual income received as reported by spending units early in 1950 (fifth survey) and early in 1949 (fourth survey).

cent smaller in 1949 than in the previous year. Although unskilled as well as skilled and semi-skilled workers had considerably fewer increases and more cutbacks in income between 1948 and 1949 than in previous year-to-year comparisons, they reported nearly twice as many boosts in income as cuts.

Persons who were not self-employed most frequently gave increases in wage rates or in salary scales as the explanation of a higher rate of current earnings in early 1950 than a year earlier.⁴ As in previous years, from one-half to two-thirds of

the income increases of employed persons in each occupation were explained in this manner. Other reasons frequently given were transfer to a better paying job, steadier work or more overtime, and the employment of one or more additional members of the spending unit. Declines in income among unskilled and also skilled and semiskilled wage earners were due, in about two-thirds of the cases, to less steady employment or to less overtime. Cuts in wage rates were also mentioned by a few members of these two occupational groups. The necessity of taking another job at lower pay was mentioned frequently as a cause of reduced income by unskilled workers but not by other groups.

The extent to which heads of spending units

⁴ This compares the rate of earnings at time of survey with that of a year earlier. These data are related to but not identical with a comparison of annual incomes.

TABLE 4 Period of Employment of Spending Units in Various Occupational Groups, 1949 1

	Percentage distribution of spending units in each group										
Number of months of employment in 1949	Professional and semi- professional	Managerial and self- employed	Clerical and sales personnel	Skilled and semi- skilled	Unskilled and service	Unemployed ²					
None (unemployed all year) 1-2. 3-4. 5-6. 7-8. 9-10. 11-12. Not applicable ⁴ . Not ascertained.	3 3 3 10 64	(*) (*) (*) (*) (*) (*) 1 29 67 2	(8) 1 2 4 4 6 80 2 1	(3) 1 2 4 6 14 71 2	1 2 4 8 8 13 57 3 4	15 5 12 14 18 15 8 10 3					
All cases	100	100	100	100	100	100					
Number of cases	287	466	486	895	344	187					

Number of months of employment in 1949 of head of spending unit or chief income earner.
 Unemployed at time of survey in early 1950. Does not include retired persons, students, or housewives.
 Less than one-half of 1 per cent.
 Self employed.

4 Self-employed.

obtained less than a full year's employment in 1949 is indicated by the survey finding that of those in the major occupational groupings who were not self-employed, only about 7 in every 10 worked at least 11 months during 1949. Seasonal factors and adjustments in business activity contributed heavily to this. Some (less than 5 per cent) persons heading spending units were not in the labor market during all of 1949 and thus could not have worked for a full year. Clerical and sales personnel and salaried managerial, professional and semi-professional persons worked most steadily, with approximately 8 in every 10 employed for a minimum of 11 months. The next best record was about 7 in every 10 in the skilled and semiskilled group, which was followed by about 6 in every 10 in the unskilled and service worker group (see Table 4). Approximately 5 in every 10 of the wage earners who were unemployed at the time of the survey said they had worked for 6 months or less during 1949,

Income groups. The survey also provides data on changes in income for consumer spending units at different income levels. For some purposes it is best to make such analysis on the basis of income level before the change, and for others, income level after the change. Respondents were asked at the time of the survey in early 1950 to report their incomes in 1949 and also in 1948. Because of the memory factor, the data are less reliable for 1948 than for 1949. Also, since about 1 unit in every 10 could not furnish this information for

1948, the data are somewhat less representative for that year than for 1949.

When the preceding year's income is used as the starting point, it is found that consumers at the

TABLE 5 INCOME CHANGES FROM 1948 TO 1949 RELATED TO Incomes of Spending Units in Year before Changes1

Change in annual	Percentage distribution of spending units within 1948 income groups												
money income before taxes, 1948 to 1949		\$1,000- \$1,999	\$2,000- \$2,999	\$3,000- \$3,999			\$7,500 and over						
Income larger Bu 25 per cent	49	43	44	40	37	37	31						
or more Somewhat	39 10	19 24	13 31	10 30	12 25	8 29	8 23						
No substantial change	28	30	26	28	27	29	34						
Income smaller	18	23	27	30	34	31	33						
Somewhat	10	12	17	19	20	21	17						
By 25 per cent or more	8	11	10	11	14	10	16						
Not ascertained	5	4	3	2	2	3	2						
All cases	100	100	100	100	100	100	100						
Number of cases	479	604	672	615	397	437	269						

¹ The distribution of income changes within the various income groups is based on reports of nine-tenths of the spending units interviewed early in 1950 (fifth survey) concerning 1948 incomes (either in dollar amounts or by income class) and changes in annual incomes from 1948 to 1949. The 1948 income of one-tenth of all spending units could not be determined in the 1950 survey. Data in this table are not strictly comparable with similar data regarding 1947 income obtained early in 1949 (fourth survey) and published in the July 1949 BULLETIN, because the earlier data were obtained from only two-thirds of the spending units in the 1949 survey.

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lower end of the income scale in 1948 received increases in income during 1949 somewhat more frequently than did units higher in the income scale (see Table 5). The increases were also larger proportionately for the lower income units. Decreases in income in 1949, on the other hand, were relatively more frequent and tended to be larger for units who had been at the higher end of the income scale in 1948.

Although lower income units appear to have fared somewhat better between 1948 and 1949 than those higher in the income range, the extent to which they fared better was not as great as between 1947 and 1948. In this earlier period, income groups below \$4,000 had substantially more increases in income and fewer decreases than did groups above this level.

When changes in income are related to the level of income after change (1949 income), the pattern is the reverse of that obtained for income before change (1948 income), which has been discussed above. As is shown in Table 6, units at higher income levels after the change reported considerably more increases and fewer decreases than those at lower levels.

This reversal of pattern results, in major part, from the movement of consumers from one income group to another. The considerable extent of this movement between 1948 and 1949 is shown in Table 7. Except for the lowest income group (under \$1,000) and for the highest (\$7,500 or more), no more than 1 in every 2 units was in the same income group in both years. The effect of income rises in bringing consumer units into higher income groups is shown by the fact that of the units who received incomes of between \$5,000 and \$7,499 in 1949, more than 3 in 10 reported that they had been at lower income levels in 1948. Conversely, at the bottom of the income scale, about 2 in every 10 units with incomes of less than \$1,000 in 1949 reported that they had been at higher income levels in the previous year.

Substantial changes in individual consumer income within one year were also found between 1947 and 1948 in the preceding survey. They indicate that an income distribution for the same consumer population based on the average incomes received by these consumers over several years would be considerably different from that based on one year alone. Such an income distribution would prob-

TABLE 6 INCOME CHANGES RELATED TO INCOMES IN YEAR AFTER CHANGES 1 1948 to 1949 and 1947 to 1948

·				Percer	ntage d	listribu	tion o	f spend	ling ur	its wi	thin in	come s	groups		·	
Change in annual money income before taxes	All spend- ing units		Under \$1,000		\$1,000- \$1,999			000 999	\$3,000- \$3,999		\$4,000~ \$4,999		\$5,000- \$7,499		\$7,500 and over	
meonic before takes	1948 to 1949 ²	1947 to 19488	1948 to 1949 ²	1947 to 1948 ³	1948 to 1949 ²	1947 to 1948 ²	1948 to 1949 ²	to	1948 to 19492	1947 to 1948 ³	1948 to 1949 ²	1947 to 1948 ³	1948 to 1949 ²	1947 to 1948³	1948 to 19492	to
Income larger than in preceding year	39	51	23	36	35	45	3 9	51	44	57	48	59	49	55	46	54
By 25 per cent or more	16 23	20 31	16 7	14 22	18 17	17 28	14 25	20 31	12 32	22 35	16 32	21 38	18 31	20 35	20 26	27 27
No substantial change	29	27	32	32	29	29	27	29	30	24	26	24	27	27	33	26
Income smaller than in preceding year	25	18	36	26	29	22	29	16	22	17	20	13	17	14	16	14
Somewhat	15 10	12 6	12 24	11 15	13 16	12 10	21 8	12 4	15 7	13 4	18 2	11 2	13 4	10 4	11 5	11 3
Not ascertained	7	4	9	6	7	4	5	4	4	2	6	4	7	4	5	6
All units	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Number of cases	3,512	3,510	479	416	604	571	672	722	615	686	397	416	437	408	269	262

¹ Based on changes in amount of annual income received as reported by spending units early in 1950 (fifth survey) and early in 1949 (fourth survey).

2 Income change from 1948 to 1949 related to 1949 income.

3 Income change from 1947 to 1948 related to 1948 income.

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 $T_{\rm ABLE~7}$ Distribution by 1948 Incomes of Spending Units within 1949 Income Groups $^{\rm 1}$

	Percentage distribution of spending units within 1949 income groups												
1948 annual money income before taxes	All spending units	Under \$1,000	\$1,000- \$1,999	\$2,000- \$2,999	\$3,000- \$3,999	\$4,000- \$4,999	\$5,000- \$7,499	\$7,500 and over					
Under \$1,000. \$1,000-\$1,999. \$2,000-\$2,999. \$3,000-\$3,999. \$4,000-\$4,999. \$5,000-\$7,499. \$7,500 and over.	15 20 18 10	67 12 5 2 (²) 1 (²) 13	18 50 13 4 1 1 (2) 13	5 16 54 13 2 1 —	1 3 23 53 10 2 (²) 8	1 1 7 29 39 11 1	(2) 2 2 8 22 50 5 11	1 4 19 65 11					
All income groups	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100					
Number of cases	3,512	479	604	672	615	397	437	269					

¹ Based on reports of spending units interviewed early in 1950 (fifth survey) concerning annual incomes in both 1948 and 1949. As shown in the table, the 1948 income of one-tenth of all spending units could not be determined at the beginning of 1950.

² Less than one-half of 1 per cent.

ably have many more consumer units in the middle of the distribution and many fewer at either the high or low end than is found in a distribution based on incomes received in a single year.

DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME

Survey data indicate that the share of total money income obtained by the highest tenth of the population when ranked by size of income was smaller in 1949 than in 1947, when it was at a postwar high. The 1947 peak followed the lifting of most wartime controls and the onset of inflation-

ary rises in prices and incomes. Some groups whose incomes lagged in the early stages of the inflation improved their relative positions in 1948 and 1949; other groups which benefited initially lost ground relatively in the following years. These changes apparently resulted in a distribution of income in 1949 similar to that existing before 1947. As shown in Table 8, the share of the top tenth in 1949 was perhaps even slightly below that in 1946, although the difference is not great enough to be statistically reliable.

The half of the population immediately below

Table 8

Proportion of Total Money Income Received by Each Tenth of the Nation's Spending Units
When Ranked by Size of Income, 1949, 1948, 1947, and 1946 ¹

		Pero	centage of		Lowest income								
Spending units ranked according to size of income		By eacl	h tenth		Cumulative				within group				
	1949	1948	1947	1946	1949	1948	1947	1946	1949	1948	1947	1946	
Highest tenth Second Third Fourth Fifth Sixth Seventh Eighth Ninth Lowest tenth	9 8 6	731 15 12 10 9 78 6 5 3	33 15 12 10 9 7 6 4 3	32 15 12 10 9 7 6 5 3	30 45 58 68 78 85 91 96 99	731 46 58 68 776 84 90 95 99	33 48 60 70 78 86 91 96 99 100	32 46 58 69 77 85 91 95 99 100	\$5,800 4,500 3,760 3,200 2,700 2,290 1,810 1,280 710 (2)	\$6,000 4,500 3,750 3,200 2,840 2,400 2,000 1,500 860 (2)	\$5,700 4,200 3,500 3,000 2,530 2,100 1,700 1,200 750 (2)	\$4,850 3,750 3,100 2,700 2,300 2,000 1,500 700 (2)	

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Income data for each year are based on interviews during January, February, and early March of the following year. It is possible that the proportion of income received by the highest tenth of income receivers is underestimated by several percentage points in all years. Samples of approximately 3,500 spending units having been used in these three surveys, it cannot be expected that a completely representative sample of the highest dollar incomes was obtained.

Not available from survey data.

Note.—Detailed figures may not add to cumulative figures because of rounding.

the highest tenth (the second through the sixth highest deciles, where incomes ranged between \$2,290 and \$5,800 in 1949) increased its share of total income to about 55 per cent in 1949, the biggest it had received in the postwar period. The lowest four-tenths of the population, when ranked by income, appeared to receive the same or a slightly smaller share of the total than in 1948. A substantial increase in the volume of business losses (negative income) by farm and non-farm businessmen contributed to an apparent reduction in the share of the lowest tenth of the population.

Available data indicate that income has been more evenly distributed throughout the postwar period than in 1941. While comparisons with prewar data have certain limitations, they are not considered sufficient to affect the major point.⁵ In the postwar period, the share of the highest tenth has been consistently smaller than in 1941 and that of the lowest four deciles has been consistently larger. Even in 1947, when the share of the lowest four-tenths of the population was at a postwar minimum, it amounted to 14 per cent of total income compared with 12 per cent in 1941. The chief reasons for this shift are the relatively high levels of employment and low levels of unemployment that have prevailed since the war and the marked increase in farm cash income.

Sources of Income

The Survey of Consumer Finances provides some information on the sources of income of the various groups in the population and the characteristics of people who receive income from rent, from wages and salaries, etc. Although the survey is not designed to provide detailed information of this nature, certain of these types of data are obtained in the course of the interview. This material is suggestive but by no means conclusive on these points. Many people tend to forget or disregard

small amounts of income or income from sources other than their chief one. The survey interview is designed to help people recall these items but not to probe exhaustively into these matters. In a few cases, also, when people promptly report their total annual income from all sources, they are not asked to provide details regarding sources. These limitations affect the precision of the data but probably do not seriously alter their major outlines.

As one would expect, by far the most frequently received type of income was that from wages and salaries. Nearly 8 in every 10 spending units reported some income from this source in 1949, which was about the same proportion as in earlier postwar years. The next most frequent source of income (received by almost 3 in every 10 units) was some type of pension, annuity, allowance, benefit, or contribution. For some spending units, this was the only or major source of income; for others, it constituted supplementary income. For instance, some consumers who were employed for most of the year reported receiving unemployment compensation for a few weeks and some veterans received State bonuses.

Other sources of income included unincorporated nonfarm business, farming, rental income from roomers and boarders, other rental income, professional practice, and interest, dividends, trust funds, and royalties (see Table 9).

The pattern of change in wage and salary income between 1948 and 1949 was generally similar to that already described for total income in that there was an increase in the proportion of low incomes (below \$2,000) and a decline in the proportion of intermediate incomes (between \$2,000 and \$4,999). The increase in frequency of units with high incomes (\$5,000 and over) was greater in the case of incomes from wages and salaries alone than when total money income was considered, chiefly because of a falling off in the frequency of incomes of this size from unincorporated nonfarm businesses and from farming.

Receipt of some income from wages and salaries was reported by nearly all units (about 9 in every 10) with incomes between \$2,000 and \$7,499. Among units with very low incomes (less than \$1,000) or very high incomes (\$7,500 or more), this type of income was much less frequent, as can be seen in Table 10. It is of interest that as many as 3 in 10 of the spending units headed by farm

⁶ Income data for 1941 are available from a survey conducted jointly by the Bureau of Labor Statistics, U. S. Department of Labor, and the Bureau of Human Nutrition and Home Economics, U. S. Department of Agriculture. See Family Spending and Saving During Wartime (Bureau of Labor Statistics Bulletin No. 822), April 1945. The survey covering 1941 and the surveys covering 1946 through 1949 differed somewhat in their definitions of money income, spending unit, universe, as well as in sampling methods. However, it is believed that the data show with reasonable accuracy the nature of certain broad changes in the pattern of income during these years.

TABLE 9 Percentage Distribution of Spending Units by Amount of Income Received from Specified Sources, 1949

	Wages	Pensions,	Re	nt ²	Unincor-	Professional		Interest,
Amount of income from specified source	and salaries	benefits, contribu- tions, etc. ¹	Roomers and boarders	Other rent	porated nonfarm business	practice, other self-employment, and farming 8	Farming 4	dividends, trust funds, and royalties
NoneSome income	22 78	72 28	96 4	90 9	91 9	84 16	91 9	88 12
Negative. \$1-\$99. \$100-\$499. \$500-\$999. \$1,000-\$1,999. \$2,000-\$2,999. \$3,000-\$3,999. \$4,000-\$4,999. \$5,000-\$9,999. \$10,000 and over. Undetermined amount.	5 6 15 18 15 8	3 13 8 3 3		1 4 2 1 1 1 1 (5) (5)	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 (6)	1 1 3 2 3 2 3 2 1 1 (*)	1 2 1 2 1 (5) (5) (5) (5) (5)	5 4 1 (6) (7) (8) (9) (6)
Not ascertained	(5)	(5)	(5)	(5)	(5)	(2)		(5)
All units	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100

¹ Includes income from old-age pensions, retirement pay, annuities, unemployment compensation, welfare payments, alimony, regular contributions, veterans' pensions, school allotments, State bonuses, and allotments to families of servicemen.

² The question was first asked: "Did you receive income from roomers and boarders?" If yes, "How much?" A gross figure was accepted if less than four roomers were involved. Respondents were then asked: "Did you receive money from other rent?" If yes, 'How much was it after allowing for expenses?'

³ Includes net income from farming by nonfarm operators as well as farm operators. See footnote 4.

⁴ Includes only net income from farming by farm operators. Farm operator spending units are, in general, headed by persons who receive more than half of their money income from the operation of a farm. See footnote 3.

⁵ Less than one-half of 1 per cent.

operators reported some income from wages and salaries.6 In most cases, the sums involved amounted to less than \$500.

Income from pensions, annuities, allowances, benefits, or contributions was received by some persons at all income levels. The frequency of this source of income was greatest at the lower levels of income, but as many as 1 in every 10 with incomes of \$7,500 or more reported receipts of this type. Income of this nature was the sole or the chief source of income for nearly 2 units in every 10 with total money incomes of less than \$1,000 in 1949. As might be expected, retired persons depended on these sources to a greater extent than other groups; about 7 in every 10 spending units headed by such persons received some income of this type and the amounts received were larger, on the average, than those reported by other groups.

Rental income other than from roomers and boarders, such as from a house or an apartment, a commercial building, or a farm, was obtained by about 1 spending unit in every 10. The proportion was somewhat smaller among lower income units and somewhat higher in the upper part of the income scale. For approximately half of the recipients of such income the amounts involved were small, amounting to less than \$500. Of the 5 in every 100 consumer spending units that received \$500 or more in rental income other than from roomers and boarders, about 80 per cent had total money incomes of \$2,000 or more in 1949. About 2 per cent of all consumer units received rents as part of total incomes of less than \$2,000. For many in this group, rents were an important source of

Approximately 4 in every 10 of the units with rental incomes from property of \$500 or more in 1949 were headed by managerial and self-employed persons or by retired persons. As in the case of pensions, etc., retired persons appear to have obtained income in this manner more frequently than other consumer groups and in larger amounts. More than 1 in every 10 spending units headed by retired persons received \$500 or more in rental income during 1949 and for about half of this group the amount came to \$2,000 or more.

Income from dividends, interest, trust funds, and royalties was reported by slightly more than 1 in every 10 spending units. This is a substantial understatement of the frequency of such receipts, because a large proportion of people forget or disre-

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⁶ Farm operator spending units are generally headed by persons who receive more than half of their money income from the operation of a farm.

TABLE 10

Income from Specified Sources Received by Spending Units in Various Income and Occupational Groups, 1949.1 [Percentage distribution of spending units within specified groups]

			1949 a	nnual mo	ney inco	me befor	e taxes			Occu	pation of	head of	spending	unit	
Amount of income from specified source	All spend- ing units	Under \$1,000	\$1,000- \$1,999	\$2,000- \$2,999	\$3,000- \$3,999	\$4,000- \$4,999	\$5,000- \$7,499	\$7,500 and over	Professional and semiprofessional	Man- agerial and self- em- ployed	Cler- ical and sales	Skilled and semi- skilled	Un- skilled and service	Farm oper- ator	Retired
Wages and salaries: None. \$1-\$99 \$100-\$499 \$500-\$999 \$1,000-\$1,999 \$2,000-\$2,999 \$3,000-\$4,999 \$5,000 and over Undetermined amount.	22 (2) 5 6 15 18 24 10	54 2 20 21 3 3 — — — (2)	25 (2) 6 10 57 3 2 — (2)	14 2 2 13 69 (2)(3) (2)	$ \begin{array}{c} $	9 1 1 2 2 85 (2)	13 1 1 2 2 3 10 67 (2)	40 2 3 2 2 2 2 47 (2)	13 2 1 11 15 33 25	45 	2 1 4 24 27 28 14 (2)	(2) 1 4 13 27 43 12	5 (2) 7 12 28 26 18	68 2 19 5 4 2	73 1 9 3 8 4 2 (²)
Not ascertained	(2)		(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	1	2	(2)	1	(2)	(2)	1	(2)	1
All cases	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Pensions and allowances, etc.; t None \$1-\$99 \$100-\$499 \$500-\$999 \$1,000-\$1,999 \$2,000-\$2,999 \$3,000 and over. Undetermined amount.	72 3 13 8 3 1 (2) (2)	62 2 18 18 —	64 3 13 9 11 — (2)	72 4 14 7 2 1 (2)	77 3 12 6 1 1 (2)	76 3 13 5 2 - 1	82 1 8 6 1 1	91 2 6 1 (2) (3)	81 11 6 (2) 1 (2)	87 2 7 3 (2) 1 (2)	85 2 8 4 1 (2) (2) (2) (2)	73 5 16 5 1 (2)	79 2 12 5 2 (2) (2)	81 7 6 5	28 1 16 29 20 4 1
Not ascertained	(2)	(2)	(2)	-	(2)	-	-	-	-	-	-	(2)	_	-	1
All cases	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Interest, dividends, etc.:5 None. \$1-\$99. \$100-\$499. \$500-\$999. \$1,000-\$1,999. \$2,000-\$2,999. \$3,000-\$4,999. \$5,000 and over. Undetermined amount.	5 4	91 4 5 (2) ———————————————————————————————————	93 3 2 1 1 ——————————————————————————————	92 3 3 3 (2) 1 1 —	89 6 3 1 1 (2) (2)	88 5 3 1 2 (2)	80 9 7 2 1 1 (2) (2)	57 8 13 6 6 2 2 5	81 4 8 1 3 1 (2)	81 5 6 2 2 1 1 1	88 7 4 (2) 1 (2) —	93 4 2 1 (2)	96 3 1 (2) —	83 8 7 1 (2) 1 (2)	74 5 8 2 6 1 3
Not ascertained	(2)		_		(2)	(2)		(2)		(2)	(2)			_	
All cases	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Rent other than from roomers and boarders: 6 None	1 1 (2) (2) (2)	93 1 5 1 —	94 (2) 3 2 1 — — (2)	92 (2) 5 1 1 1 —	91 1 4 2 1 1 (2)	88 (2) 6 5 1 (2) (2) —	87 1 4 4 2 1 1 (2)	77 1 5 3 5 1 2 4 (2)	90 1 4 2 1 - 1 (2) -	80 1 8 4 3 2 1 1 (2)	93 (2) 3 3 1 (2) ———————————————————————————————————	93 1 5 1 (2) (2) (2)	94 1 2 2 1 ——————————————————————————————	94 1 2 1 1 1	79 (2) 8 5 2 3 (2)

(2)

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NOTE.—Details may not add to totals because of rounding.

(2)

Not ascertained All cases.....

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Data are subject to considerable reporting error, especially where small amounts are involved.
 Less than one-half of 1 per cent.
 Total income is less than income from wages and salaries for these units because of business losses or negative farm income.
 Includes income from old-age pensions, retirement pay, annuities, unemployment compensation, welfare payments, alimony, regular contributions, veteraus' pensions, school allotments, State bonuses, and allotments to families of servicemen.
 Includes interest, dividends, trust funds, and royalties.
 The question was first asked: "Did you receive income from roomers and boarders?" Respondents were then asked "Did you receive money from other rent?" If yes, "How much was it after allowing for expenses?" Respondents were then asked "Did you

gard these items, especially when the amounts are small. In the case of individuals with savings accounts, for instance, less than 1 in every 3 with deposits of \$1,000 or more reported having obtained any interest income during 1949. For those with smaller amounts on deposit, the proportion was even smaller. Understatements of this type of income were probably much less frequent where the amounts received were sizable.

Reports of income of \$500 or more from interest, dividends, etc. were very infrequent among consumers with total money incomes of less than Among those with incomes above this level, such receipts were reported by about 2 in every 10 units. Again, as in the case of rent from property, retired persons obtained income in this manner relatively more frequently and in larger amounts than persons with other occupational status.

Tables 14-18 at the end of this article contain data supplemental to those given in this text.

Family Income in 1949

Some of the income data reported by spending units in the Survey of Consumer Finances are tabulated by family units as well as by spending units. A family is defined as all persons living in the same dwelling who are related by blood, marriage, or adoption. A single person may constitute a "family" if he is living by himself or with persons unrelated to him. The term "family unit" as used in the survey is thus equivalent to the "family" and "individual not in family" definitions of the Bureau of the Census, United States Department of Commerce.

There may be more than one spending unit in a family since a spending unit is defined as all persons living in the same dwelling and belonging to the same family who pool their incomes to meet their major expenses. For example, a grown son who is working and does not pool his income with his parents' income, even though he may pay something for board and room, is treated as a separate spending unit if he retains more than half of his income. Likewise, married children or other relatives who do not pool their incomes with that of the head of the family, even though living in the same dwelling, constitute separate spending units. In tabulating on a family basis, the incomes of all related persons living in the same dwelling are combined.

It is estimated that at the beginning of 1949 there were approximately 45.2 million family units and 52.0 million spending units residing in private households. Since the same total amount of consumer income is distributed among the smaller number of family units, it is to be expected that families will have somewhat higher average incomes than spending units.

TABLE 11 INCOME GROUPING OF FAMILY UNITS AND MONEY INCOME RECEIVED, 1949, 1948, AND 1947

[Percentage distribution]

	19	49	19	48	19	47
Annual money income before taxes	Fam- ily units²	Total money income		Total money income		Total money income
Under \$1,000 \$1,000-\$1,999 \$2,000-\$2,999 \$3,000-\$3,999 \$4,000-\$3,999 \$5,000-\$7,499 \$7,500-\$9,999 \$10,000 and over	13 15 18 19 12 15 4	2 6 12 18 14 23 } 25	11 15 20 20 12 14 4	2 6 12 18 14 21 21 27	13 18 20 17 11 13 4	2 7 13 15 13 20 30
All income groups.	100	100	100	100	100	100
Median income Mean income	\$3,100 \$3,760		\$3,120 \$4,020		\$2,920 \$3,780	

¹ Income data for each year are based on interviews during January, February and early March of the following year. Family units are defined as all persons living in the same dwelling who are related by blood, marriage, or adoption.

² Includes single-person family units.

As is shown in Table 11, the median family income in 1949 was \$3,100 or roughly 15 per cent higher than the median income for spending units. The grouping in some cases of more than one spending unit into a family unit resulted in 23 per cent of all family units having incomes of \$5,000 or more in 1949 compared with 16 per cent of all spending units. Conversely a smaller proportion of families than of spending units had incomes of less than \$3,000.

DISPOSABLE INCOME

Thus far this article has been discussing the distribution of money income before taxes. For some purposes it is more useful to know the distribution of income after taxes. A beginning step in this direction was made in the 1948 survey, in which estimates of Federal personal income tax liability on 1947 income, apart from tax on capital gains or losses, were prepared for each spending unit. Fol-

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lowing a somewhat improved procedure, the data of the 1949 and 1950 surveys have been utilized to prepare like estimates of personal income tax liability for 1948 and 1949 incomes.

Income after tax, called disposable income in this article, was estimated for each spending unit by deducting computed Federal income tax liability from money incomes before taxes.⁷ The tax estimates, unlike other survey data, were not based on special information concerning tax liabilities obtained during the interview. They were computed on the basis of the income, size, and composition of each spending unit and the number of persons not living in the dwelling who were dependent on the members of the spending unit for support. A detailed presentation of the estimating procedure is given in the appendix to this article.

It should be stressed that these income tax estimates are only approximations; that they refer not to payments but to Federal personal income tax liabilities, apart from taxes on capital gains and losses; and that State and local income taxes are not included.

The distribution of spending units by income after Federal taxes shows, of course, a general downward shift from the distribution by income before taxes. The downward shift was most marked at the upper end of the income distribution, as can be seen in Table 12. The number of spending units with incomes of \$5,000 or more (before taxes) was reduced by one-fourth through taxation—from 16 per cent to 12 per cent of the approximately 52.0 million spending units. Median income was lowered to \$2,600 from \$2,700.

Survey estimates indicate that nearly two-thirds of all spending units had Federal income tax liabilities in 1949. The proportion of units with no tax liabilities rose from 32 per cent in 1948 to 35 per cent in 1949 in response to the slight decline in individual incomes. This had the effect of reducing by more than 1 million the number of spending units with tax liabilities. The decline in income also tended to lower somewhat the amount of the tax liabilities, as is shown in Table 13.

For 1 spending unit in every 7, Federal income

tax amounted to 10 per cent or more of income before tax. The frequency of tax liabilities above this rate fell off so sharply that only about 1 unit in every 100 incurred a liability of 16 per cent or more of income before tax. In terms of amount, nearly 4 spending units in every 10 incurred an obligation of \$200 or more; for slightly more than 1 in 10, the amount came to \$500 or more.

Reflecting the progressive nature of the Federal income tax, the proportion of units with such tax liabilities rose very sharply from lower to higher income groups, as did the amount of the tax. Less than 1 unit in every 10 with incomes under \$1,000 had tax liabilities and it is estimated that the amount involved was less than \$50 in every case. By way of comparison, nearly every unit with an income between \$5,000 and \$7,499 was obligated to pay income tax and in a majority of these cases the amounts came to \$500 or more.

The effect of this tax was to reduce by 2 percentage points the proportion of total income received by the units with the highest incomes. In 1949, the highest tenth of income receivers before tax obtained about 30 per cent of total personal income, while the tenth with the largest incomes after tax obtained approximately 28 per cent (see Table 14 on page 962). Spending units in the lower half of the income scale had a larger share

Table 12

Distribution of Spending Units and Total Money Income
Before and after Federal Income Tax
By Income Groups, 1949

[Per cent]

	Spend	ing units	Total mo	ney income
Income groups	Before Federal income tax	After Federal income tax (dis- posable income) ¹	Before Federal income tax	After Federal income tax (dis- posable income) ¹
Under \$1,000 \$1,000-\$1,999 \$2,000-\$2,999 \$3,000-\$3,999 \$4,000-\$4,999 \$5,000-\$7,499 \$7,500-\$9,999 \$10,000 and over	14 19 21 19 11 11 2 3	15 21 23 18 11 8 2	2 9 16 19 15 19 20	2 11 19 21 16 16 16
All cases	100	100	100	100
Median income Mean income	\$2,700 \$3,270	\$2,600 \$3,000		

¹ Money income after deduction of estimated Federal personal income tax liability. See appendix, pp. 961-62, for method of estimating disposable income. Money income figures exclude capital gains or losses and tax estimates make no allowance for such gains or losses.

⁷ The U. S. Department of Commerce, in estimating disposable income for its national income series, deducts from personal income actual Federal personal income tax payments (not liabilities), including taxes on capital gains and losses, as well as other tax and nontax payments to governments, chief of which are Federal estate and gift taxes and State and local personal tax and nontax payments.

Table 13
Estimated Federal Personal Income Tax Liability of Spending Units within Various Income Groups, 1949 and 1948

			Perce	ntage (distrib	ition o	f spen	ding u	nits wi	thin in	come	group	before	taxes		
Estimated tax liability		come ups	Un \$1,	der 000	\$1,0 \$1,	999 999)00- 999		000- 999		000 ~ 999		000- 499		500 over
	1949	1948	1949	1948	1949	1948	1949	1948	1949	1948	1949	1948	1949	1948	1949	1948
None. \$1-\$49 \$50-\$99 \$100-\$199 \$200-\$499 \$500-\$999 \$1,000-\$1,999 \$2,000-\$4,999 \$5,000 and over Not ascertained	8 13 25 9 2	32 5 8 15 26 9 3 1 (2)	93 7 — — — — — (²)	94 6 (2)	60 8 15 17 — —	57 8 15 20 (2) (2) (2)	33 12 10 19 26 — —	29 10 11 23 27 — — — (2)	15 4 12 25 43 1 —	15 4 11 23 46 1 — — (2)	5 2 2 10 68 12 —	5 3 9 66 14 —	1 1 1 2 42 53 (2) —	1 (2) 1 2 33 62 1 —	(2) 1 27 45 21 5	(2) (2) (2) (2) (2) 29 45 17 8
All units	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Number of cases	3,512	3,510	479	416	604	571	672	722	615	686	397	416	437	408	269	262

¹ Tax liability apart from capital gains or losses. Money income figures exclude capital gains or losses and tax estimates make no allowance for such gains or losses.

² Less than one-half of 1 per cent.

Note.—For 1947 estimates, see July 1949 Federal Reserve Bulletin, Table 10, p. 789.

of income after tax than of income before tax. Estimates of the tax liabilities and disposable incomes of family units are presented in supplementary Tables 19 and 20 at the end of this article.

APPENDIX

METHOD OF ESTIMATING DISPOSABLE INCOME

Estimates of disposable personal income, defined for purposes of the Consumer Finances Surveys as the total money income of a spending unit less its Federal income tax liability, were made for the third time in the 1950 survey. While no questions about Federal income tax payments were asked in the interviews, it was possible to estimate a rough tax liability figure for each spending unit by taking into account the number of income receivers and dependents in each unit and by making certain assumptions about the filing of joint returns, deduction of allowances for contributions, and other considerations entering into the tax computations. In the 1950 and 1949 surveys, but not in the preceding one, information was obtained on the number of dependents living outside of the dwelling. This improvement in method tended to lower estimated tax liabilities, although only about 5 per cent of the cases were affected. The estimates thus made from the 1950 survey represented the Federal tax liabilities on 1949 incomes, not the tax payments of spending units during 1949. No estimates were made for State and local taxes.

The disposable income figures shown in this report therefore represent total money income less estimated Federal tax liabilities. These disposable income figures differ from the disposable personal income figures that are a part of the personal income series of the Department of Commerce in that the Commerce series excludes tax payments (not liabilities) and State and local as well as Federal taxes.

Certain information which would have been necessary in order to calculate personal income tax liability with precision was not available. The most important missing item was exact information on deductions claimed by spending units. The survey deduction allowance was the Treasury standard deduction on incomes up to \$5,000 and 10 per cent of incomes of \$5,000 or more. Some units undoubtedly claimed deductions that were larger than the amounts estimated for them, and some units with incomes of \$10,000 or more may have claimed less than the estimated deductions. Table 13 shows the amounts of tax liability estimated for spending units within various income groups.

The tax liability for each spending unit was estimated by using a standardized procedure of

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computation.¹ The steps in the calculation follow:

- (1) A table was prepared giving the amount of tax by size of income and by number of dependents (including an extra exemption where the head of the unit or his wife was over 65 years of age). The table provided for the Treasury standard deduction for contributions, medical bills, etc., on incomes up to \$5,000, and a deduction of 10 per cent on taxable income (including items in (2) below), for incomes larger than \$5,000.
- (2) Taxable income was computed by deducting from total income amounts received by individual income recipients from social security benefits, sickness and injury benefits, armed forces pay and allowances up to the limit of their special exemption, contributions for support, and other allowable deductions. Tax-free interest was not deducted but would be received by only about 1 per cent of the income recipients.
- (3) In the case of spending units containing one person only, the tax was taken directly from the
- (4) In all cases of spending units containing a husband and wife, it was assumed that a joint return would be filed.
- (5) If persons other than the head of the spending unit and his wife received income in such amounts that filing separate tax returns was obligatory, this was done in the 1950 survey. In previous years, separate returns were calculated only if the tax liability of the entire spending unit was thereby reduced. Dependents were always included on the tax return of the main income receiver, unless a different handling was indicated by the interview.
- (6) Where more than one tax return was estimated for a given spending unit, the separate tax liabilities were computed and added together and the total was considered to be the tax liability of the spending unit.
- (7) Where a family contained more than one spending unit, the separate tax liabilities were computed and added together and the total was considered to be the tax liability of the family.

This method of estimating taxes made no provision for the following:

- 1. Special exemption for the blind; ²
- 2. Larger deductions than the Treasury standard deduction on incomes up to \$5,000, or larger or

smaller deductions than 10 per cent on incomes greater than \$5,000;

- 3. Tax-free interest;
- 4. Taxes on alimony received; 2
- 5. Taxes on capital gains and losses;
- 6. Carry-over of business and capital losses from previous years;
- 7. Allocation of income among the taxpayers in a spending unit that may differ somewhat from the survey allocation;
- 8. Number of exemptions claimed for dependents not living in the dwelling that may differ from the survey figure because no question was asked concerning the number of outside dependents that would be claimed on the tax returns. However, information was obtained in the 1950 survey on the number of relatives not living with the respondent who were dependent on him for more than half of their living and in the 1949 survey on the number of persons who were dependent upon him for their living; and
- 9. State and local income taxes, which amount to about one-tenth of Federal personal income tax.

For individual spending and family units, taxes may have been over- or under-estimated. The limitations of these tax estimates should be recognized in making use of either the tax or disposable income data.

TABLE 14 Percentage of Total Money Income Received by Each Tenth of the Nation's Spending Units When Ranked By Size of Income, 1949, 1948, and 1947

Spending units ranked according	bef	ney incore Feducome to	eral	Feder	oney income aft deral income ta sposable income			
to size of income 1	1949	1948	1947	1949	1948	1947		
Highest tenth. Second. Third. Fourth. Fifth. Sixth. Seventh. Eighth. Ninth. Lowest tenth.	30 15 12 11 9 8 6 5 3	731 15 12 10 9 78 6 5 3	33 15 12 10 9 7 6 4 3	28 15 13 11 9 8 7 5 3	29 15 12 10 9 8 7 5 4	31 15 12 10 9 8 6 5 3		

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¹ Acknowledgment is made of the assistance of members of the Division of Tax Research, Treasury Department, in formulating the method of estimate.

⁷ Revised.

¹ Units have been ranked by size of money income either before or after tax, as indicated by the column headings.

² Money income after deduction of estimated Federal personal income tax liability. See appendix, pp. 961-62, for method of estimating disposable income. Money income figures exclude capital gains or losses and tax estimates make no allowance for such gains

² In a few cases, the interviews furnished information concerning this point, which was then taken into account in estimating the tax liability.

TABLE 15 Percentage Distribution of Spending Units within Various Income Groups according to Specified Characteristics 1949 AND 1948

						Annı	ial moi	ney in	come t	efore	taxes					
Characteristics of spending unit	All in	come ups	Un \$1,	der 000	\$1,0 \$1,5		\$2,0 \$2,9		\$3,0 \$3,		\$4,0 \$4,9		\$5,0 \$7,			0 and er
	1949	1948	1949	1948	1949	1948	1949	1948	1949	1948	1949	1948	1949	1948	1949	1948
Number of persons in spending unit:																
One. Two. Three. Four Five or more. Not ascertained.	22 28 21 14 15	22 31 20 13 14 (¹)	44 29 10 6 11	44 31 10 5 10 (¹)	37 28 19 6 10	37 28 14 11 10 (1)	24 27 22 14 13	26 29 21 10 14	12 26 26 19 17	11 30 24 19 16	25 26 23 18	6 33 25 17 18	5 33 26 16 19	6 38 27 15 14 (¹)	4 35 25 20 16 (¹)	30 24 26 16 (¹)
All cases	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Number of income receivers in spending unit: None One Two or more Not ascertained	1 76 23 (¹)	1 77 22 (¹)	3 84 13	5 80 15 (1)	83 17 (1)	1 84 15 (¹)	81 19	(1) 83 17 (1)	78 22 (¹)	1 76 23	66 34	1 67 32	54 46	1 59 40	71 29	1 75 24 (¹)
All cases	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Age of head of spending unit: 18-24. 25-34. 35-44. 45-54. 55-64. 65 or over Not ascertained.	10 23 22 18 14 12	11 21 22 20 15 11 (¹)	11 12 11 13 18 35 (¹)	13 8 8 12 18 41 (1)	20 21 15 15 14 14 14	19 19 15 16 15 16 (¹)	14 26 23 15 13 8	15 23 21 17 16 7	6 31 25 18 13 6	7 29 27 21 12 4 (1)	26 30 24 13 2	6 26 31 20 12 5 (1)	3 27 27 26 11 5	3 21 30 27 14 5	12 35 30 15 8 (1)	(1) 14 27 37 16 6 (1)
All cases	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Race: White Negro Other. Not ascertained	92 7 (1)	(2) (2) (2) (2) (2)	83 15 2	(2) (2) (2) (2) (2)	89 10 1	(2) (2) (2) (2) (2)	92 7 (¹) 1	(2) (2) (2) (2) (2)	96 3 (¹) 1	(2) (2) (2) (2) (2)	$\begin{array}{ c c }\hline 97\\ \frac{2}{1}\\ \hline \end{array}$	(2) (2) (2) (2) (2)	97 2 (¹) 1	(2) (2) (2) (2) (2)	98	(2) (2) (2) (2) (2)
All cases	100	(2)	100	(2)	100	(2)	100	(2)	100	(2)	100	(2)	100	(2)	100	(2)
Occupation of head of spending unit: Professional and semi-professional	7	7	1	2	2	4	_	-	8	-	9	10	11	11	22	24
Managerial and self-employed. Clerical and sales. Skilled and semiskilled. Unskilled and service workers. Farm operator. Retired. Other. Not ascertained.	12 13 27 14 10 5 12 (¹)	12 14 27 15 9 6 8 1	4 3 7 15 24 14 32 (¹)	2 5 4 4 16 23 20 26	3 7 16 16 18 11 8 20	8 14 13 25 12 9 15	5 7 17 33 17 7 4 10 (1)	5 7 19 31 19 7 4 8	10 12 44 14 4 2 6 (¹)	7 7 7 17 45 12 4 1 7	15 17 42 8 4 1 4	13 17 44 7 4 2 3	27 16 31 5 5 3 2 (1)	29 12 30 3 9 1 5	44 8 5 2 14 4 1	48 6 8 9 2 3
All cases	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Place of residence of spending unit: Metropolitan area ³ Other urban area ⁴ Rural area ⁵	30 38 32	32 37 31	14 35 51	18 33 49	23 41 36	24 37 39	28 39 33	32 37 31	34 38 28	34 39 27	42 40 18	40 40 20	44 36 20	45 32 23	39 38 23	42 32 26
All cases	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Education of head of spending unit: Grammar school. High school. College. None Not ascertained.	41 39 16 3	40 40 17 2 1	61 23 6 9	62 22 7 8 1	47 38 10 4 1	51 34 11 3	45 39 14 2 (¹)	40 45 12 2 1	34 50 14 2 (¹)	34 48 16 1	30 45 24 1 (¹)	29 47 22 1 1	26 42 30 1	25 43 30 (1) 1	16 34 48 - 2	16 24 59
All cases	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Number of cases	3.512	3 510	484	417	611	579	676	732	622	686	402	416	445	413	272	267

¹ Less than one-half of 1 per cent.
2 Data not available.
3 The 12 largest cities in the United States and their surrounding suburban and rural areas.
4 Includes cities of 2,500 population or more, but not metropolitan.
5 Includes towns of less than 2,500 population and open country.

Note.—Details may not add to totals because of rounding.

TABLE 16 INCOME DISTRIBUTION OF SPENDING UNITS HAVING SPECIFIED CHARACTERISTICS, 1949 1 [Per cent]

				Annual	money in	come befo	re taxes	e taxes			
Characteristic of spending unit	Number of cases	All income groups	Under \$1,000	\$1,000- \$1,999	\$2,000- \$2,999	\$3,000- \$3,999	\$4,000- \$4,999	\$5,000- \$7,499	\$7,500 and over		
All spending units	3,512	100	14	19	21	19	11	11	5		
Number of persons in spending unit: One	748 1,012 744 515 491	100 100 100 100 100	28 15 7 6 11	31 19 17 9	23 20 22 21 20	10 17 22 26 22	4 10 13 18 13	3 13 13 13 14	1 6 6 8 6		
Number of income receivers in spending unit: One	2,679 811	100 100	16 8	21 13	22 17	19 18	9 16	8 21	5 7		
Age of head of spending unit: 18-24. 25-34. 35-44. 45-54. 55-64. 65 or over.	342 779 777 670 495 419	100 100 100 100 100 100	16 7 7 10 18 43	36 18 13 16 19 23	29 24 22 18 20 14	11 24 21 19 18 10	4 12 15 14 10 2	4 12 14 15 9	3 8 8 6 4		
Race of head of spending unit: White Negro	3,310 185	100 100	13 32	18 29	21 21	19 10	11 4	11 3	6 1		
Education of head of spending unit: Grammar school High school College.	1,321 1,371 706	100 100 100	21 8 5	22 18 12	23 21 18	16 23 16	9 13 15	7 12 19	2 5 15		
Place of residence of spending unit: Metropolitan area ² . Other urban area ³ . Rural area ⁴ .	1,157 1,253 1,102	100 100 100	7 13 23	14 21 22	20 22 22	21 18 16	15 11 6	16 10 7	7 5 4		

Note.—Details may not add to totals because of rounding.

TABLE 17 INCOME RECEIVED FROM UNINCORPORATED FARM AND Nonfarm Businesses, 1949 and 1948

	Percentage distribution								
Amount of net income	Farm o	perators !	Spending units receiving any income from unincorporated nonfarm businesses						
	1949	1948	1949	1948					
Negative Under \$500 \$500-\$599 \$1,000-\$1,999 \$2,000-\$2,999 \$3,000-\$3,999 \$4,000-\$4,999 \$5,000-\$9,999 \$10,000 and over Not ascertained	14 19 11 20 13 7 3 8 4	5 19 17 20 12 7 5 13 2	10 6 8 13 15 14 7 16 7	3 8 5 12 14 10 11 24 8 5					
All cases	100	100	100	100					
Number of cases	410	428	309	329					

¹ Amounts of income refer to farm income only. These figures are especially influenced by exclusion of nonmoney income of farmers.

TABLE 18

DISTRIBUTION OF TOTAL MONEY INCOME BEFORE AND AFTER FEDERAL INCOME TAX, BY INCOME GROUPS BEFORE TAX, 1949

·	Percent-		tage of total ey income			
1949 annual money income before taxes	age of spending units	Before Federal income tax	After Federal income tax (disposable income) 1			
Under \$1,000. \$1,000-\$1,999 \$2,000-\$2,999 \$3,000-\$3,999 \$4,000-\$4,999 \$5,000-\$7,499 \$7,500-\$9,999 \$10,000 and over.	19 21 19 11	2 9 16 19 15 19 20	2 9 17 20 15 19			
All cases	100	100	100			

¹ Money income after deduction of estimated Federal personal income tax liability. See appendix, pp. 961-62 for method of estimating disposable income. Money income figures exclude capital gains or losses and tax estimates make no allowance for such gains or losses.

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¹ For comparable 1948 data, see July 1949 BULLETIN, p. 792; for 1945 data, see U. S. Department of Agriculture, Division of Program Surveys, National Survey of Liquid Asset Holdings, Spending and Saving, Pt. 2, Tables 18, 19, and 20.

2 Includes the 12 largest cities in the United States and their surrounding suburban and rural areas.

3 Includes cities of 2,500 population or more, but not metropolitan.

4 Includes towns of less than 2,500 population and also open country. These figures are especially influenced by exclusion of nonmoney income of farmers.

Table 19

Income Grouping of Family Units and Money Income Estimated Federal Personal Income Tax Liability of Before and after Federal Income Tax, 1949 Family Units, 1949, 1948, and 1947 Before and after Federal Income Tax, 1949

[Percentage distribution]

	Fam	ily units 1	Total money income				
Income group	Before Federal income tax	After Federal income tax (disposable income) ²	Before Federal income tax	After Federal income tax (disposable income) ²			
Under \$1,000 \$1,000-\$1,999 \$2,000-\$2,999 \$3,000-\$3,999 \$4,000-\$4,999 \$5,000-\$7,499 \$7,500-\$9,999 \$10,000 and over	13 15 18 19 12 15 4	13 16 22 19 12 12 3 3	2 6 12 18 14 23 25	2 7 16 19 16 21 }			
All income groups	100	100	100	100			
Median income Mean income	\$3,100 \$3,760	\$2,950 \$3,460					

[Percentage distribution of family units]

Estimated tax liability 2	1949	1948	1947
None. \$1-\$49. \$50-\$99. \$100-\$199. \$200-\$499. \$500-\$999. \$1,000-\$1,999. \$2,000-\$4,999. \$5,000 and over.	34 6 7 12 25 11 3 1	32 5 8 13 25 12 3 1	29 5 7 12 25 15 4 2
All units	100	100	100

¹ Includes single-person families.

Note.—The schedule of Federal personal income taxes was revised in 1948 in a manner which tended to lower liabilities at all levels of the income distribution. For the most part, the downward shift in tax liabilities reflects this revision. However, methods of working out the tax estimates have been improved. These changes in method tend to lower slightly the level of 1948 and 1949 tax liabilities as compared with those for 1947.

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¹ Includes single-person families.

² Money income after deduction of estimated Federal personal income tax liability. See appendix, pp. 961-62 for method of estimating disposable income. Money income figures exclude capital gains or losses and tax estimates make no allowance for such gains or losses.

 $^{^2}$ Tax liability apart from capital gains or losses. Money income figures exclude capital gains or losses and tax estimates make no allowance for such gains or losses.

³ Less than one-half of 1 per cent.

ESTIMATED LIQUID ASSET HOLDINGS OF INDIVIDUALS AND BUSINESSES¹

Both individuals and businesses increased their liquid asset holdings during 1949. The increase for individuals was estimated at 2.8 billion dollars compared with 1.9 billion in 1948; that for businesses at 1.0 billion. For the first year since 1945 business as a whole registered an increase. Unincorporated businesses drew down their liquid assets for the fourth successive year but an increase in corporate holdings, more than offset this decline.

Estimates of liquid asset holdings of individuals and businesses as of December 31, 1949, and for end-of-year and selected midyear dates from December 1939 to December 1949, are presented in the accompanying table. These estimates cover the principal assets which are most readily convertible for use and for which there are representative statistics of ownership. Currency and demand deposits are the basic forms of cash ordinarily used, and under existing practices time deposits, shares of savings and loan associations, and United States Government securities are readily convertible into cash.

Notwithstanding the increase in liquid asset holdings of individuals in 1949, total personal saving as estimated by the Department of Commerce showed a substantial decline. This decline was manifested in net disinvestment by owners of unincorporated farm and nonfarm enterprises. Nonliquid saving by households, according to Commerce and Federal Reserve data, appears to have been substantially the same in amount and form in 1948 and 1949. The major forms continued to be nonfarm houses primarily for owner occupancy, insurance and pension reserves, and securities of corporations and State and local governments. Personal indebtedness other than mortgage debt rose approximately as much in 1949 as in the preceding year.

The reduction of liquid asset holdings by unincorporated businesses was less in 1949 than in previous postwar years because of the curtailment of net investment. The expansion of holdings by corporations—especially large corporations, which was larger in 1949 than in any earlier postwar year, was primarily due to the change from substantial expansion to substantial contraction of inventories and customer receivables.

Administrators of personal trust funds continued to reduce the proportion of trust assets held in liquid form. In 1949, increases in liquid assets (primarily United States Government securities) constituted only one-third of the net increase in total assets of these funds, as compared with one-half in 1948 and two-thirds in 1947. This decline reflected in part the greater opportunities for investment and greater legal latitude given to administrators of these accounts in recent years. "Other" personal holdings of the two most liquid types of assetscurrency and demand deposits—were reduced for the second consecutive year, but the reductions were somewhat less than in 1948. Liquid funds continued to be directed into United States Government securities, savings and loan shares, and time deposits. Although the net increase in holdings of United States Government securities by individuals was greater in 1949 than in any year since 1945, the number of consumer spending units holding these securities continued to decline. According to the fifth Survey of Consumer Finances conducted early this year, roughly 1.5 million fewer spending units held such securities at the beginning of 1950 than a year earlier.2

The estimates presented in the accompanying table include liquid assets held by individuals (including farmers), unincorporated businesses, and corporations other than insurance companies. They do not include holdings by Federal, State or local governments, Government agencies, foreigners, banks, savings and loan associations, insurance companies, or nonprofit associations. The estimates are approximations of amounts shown or implied in accounting records of the holders rather than those reported by banking and Treasury records, although they are derived primarily from bank and Treasury reports. The deposit estimates, therefore, differ somewhat from the figures reported by banks and regularly published among banking statistics.

The basic classifications used and method of estimating are the same as those employed previously. Some small revisions have been made in the estimates for December 1948 and June 1943.³

¹ A detailed description of the methods used to obtain the estimates, together with the basic worksheets, may be secured from the Division of Research and Statistics, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, Washington 25, D. C.

² The survey data on liquid assets will be presented in a subsequent issue of the BULLETIN.

³ See Federal Reserve Bulletins for June 1945, February 1946, November 1946, September 1947, June 1948, and July 1949 for previously published estimates.

ESTIMATED LIQUID ASSET HOLDINGS OF INDIVIDUALS AND BUSINESSES

[In billions of dollars]

	1939	1940	1941	941 1942		1943		1944		1945		1946		1947	1948	1949
Type of holder	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Dec.	Dec.	Dec.	Dec. p
Total 1	69.0	74.7	85.4	94.6	116.2	⁷ 137.2	156.4	175.5	195.9	212.9	227.5	228.5	231.5	237.0	r238.1	241.9
Currency Demand deposits ² . Time deposits Savings & loan shares ³ . U. S. Govt. securities ⁴ .	5.8 20.9 26.3 4.0 12.0	4.2	8.9 27.9 26.9 4.5 17.2	10.2 30.9 26.5 4.6 22.4	4.8	15.0 r44.0 29.6 5.1 43.5	18.0 47.1 32.0 5.4 53.9	20.0 47.9 35.0 5.8 66.8	22.6 53.1 39.0 6.2 75.0	24.2 56.0 43.5 6.7 82.5	25.5 60.2 47.7 7.2 86.9	25.5 62.5 50.9 7.8 81.8	25.7 64.6 53.0 8.4 79.8	25.4 66.2 55.2 9.6 80.6	r24.6 r64.5 56.1 10.8 r82.1	23.9 63.8 56.8 12.2 85.2
Business holdings—total	19.4	22.3	25.9	29.5	39.4	49.5	55.9	62.9	67.5	72.3	73.0	69.6	66.3	64.7	⁷ 63.9	64.9
Currency. Demand deposits. Time deposits. Savings & loan shares. U. S. Govt. securities.	1.6 12.5 2.0 0.1 3.2	1.7 15.5 2.0 0.1 3.0	2.0 0.1	2.0	2.1 0.1	3.1 27.5 2.2 0.2 16.5	3.6 28.9 2.3 0.2 20.9	3.9 29.4 2.5 0.2 26.9	4.3 31.3 2.7 0.2 29.0	4.5 33.7 2.9 0.2 31.0	4.7 33.7 3.1 0.2 31.3	4.8 34.7 3.2 0.3 26.6	4.9 33.5 3.4 0.3 24.2	4.8 33.9 3.5 0.3 22.2	4.7 *33.7 3.5 0.3 21.7	4.6 34.0 3.5 0.4 22.4
Corporations—total	13.0	15.0	17.4	19.6	27.1	34.2	38.6	43.1	44.7	47.2	45.1	41.9	38.9	38.2	38.7	40.1
Currency. Demand deposits. Time deposits. Savings & loan shares. U. S. Govt. securities.	0.7 9.5 0.7	0.7 11.7 0.7	0.8 12.4 0.7	0.7	16.0	0.8 20.0 0.7 0.1 12.6	0.9 20.9 0.7 0.1 16.0	0.9 21.4 0.7 0.1 20.0	0.9 22.1 0.7 0.1 20.9	0.9 24.0 0.7 0.1 21.5	0.9 22.1 0.7 0.1 21.3	1.0 22.9 0.7 0.1 17.2	1.0 21.8 0.7 0.1 15.3	1.0 22.2 0.7 0.1 14.2	1.0 22.7 0.7 0.1 14.2	1.0 23.0 0.7 0.1 15.3
Financial corporations— total 5	1.7	1.8	2.2	2.4	2.5	2.8	3.1	3.4	3.8	4.1	4.8	4.7	4.4	4.3	4.5	4.8
Demand deposits Time deposits U. S. Govt. securities	1.1 0.1 0.5		1.3 0.1 0.8	0.1	0.1	1.3 0.1 1.4	1.3 0.1 1.7	1.3 0.1 2.0	1.5 0.1 2.2	1.6 0.1 2.4	2.0 0.1 2.7	2.1 0.1 2.5	2.1 0.1 2.2	2.2 0.1 2.0	2.2 0.1 2.2	2.3 0.1 2.4
Nonfinancial corporations —total	11.3	13.2	15.2	17.2	24.6	31.4	35.5	39.7	40.9	43.1	40.3	37.2	34.5	33.9	34.2	35.3
Currency Demand deposits Time deposits Savings & loan shares U. S. Govt. securities	0.7 8.4 0.6	0.6		12.5	14.8 0.6		0.9 19.6 0.6 0.1 14.3	0.9 20.1 0.6 0.1 18.0	0.9 20.6 0.6 0.1 18.7		0.9 20.1 0.6 0.1 18.6	1.0 20.8 0.6 0.1 14.7	0.1	1.0 20.0 0.6 0.1 12.2	0.6 0.1	1.0 20.7 0.6 0.1 12.9
Unincorporated business— total	6.4	7.3	8.5	9.9	12.3	15.3	17.3	19.8	22.8	25.1	27.9	27.7	27.4	26.5	r25.2	24.8
Currency Demand deposits Time deposits Savings & loan shares U. S. Govt. securities	1.3	3.8 1.3	4.2 1.3 0.1	4.8 1.3 0.1	5.7 1.4 0.1	7.5	2.7 8.0 1.6 0.1 4.9	3.0 8.0 1.8 0.1 6.9	9.2	2.2	3.8 11.6 2.4 0.1 10.0	11.8 2.5 0.2	11.7 2.7 0.2	3.8 11.7 2.8 0.2 8.0	r11.0 2.8 0.2	3.6 11.0 2.8 0.3 7.1
Personal holdings—total	49.6	52.4	59.5	65.1	76.8	787 7	100.5	112.6	128.4	140.6	154.5	158.9	165.2	172.3	r174.2	177.0
Currency Demand deposits Time deposits Savings & loan shares U. S. Govt. securities	24.3	9.1 24.9 4.1	11.3 24.9 4.4	12.3 24.5 4.5	15.1 25.6 4.7	11.9 *16.5 27.4 4.9 27.0	29.7 5.2	32.5 5.6	18.3 21.8 36.3 6.0 46.0	40.6 6.5	20.8 26.5 44.6 7.0 55.6	47.7	49.6 8.1	20.6 32.3 51.7 9.3 58.4	30.8 52.6 10.5	19.3 29.8 53.3 11.8 62.8
Trust funds—total 6	4.5	4.7	5.6	6.2	6.9	8.4	10.0	11.7	13.4	14.7	15.9	17.8	19.4	21.6	22.9	23.9
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Other personal—total 7	45.1	47.7	53.9	58.9	69.9	779.3	90.5	100.9	115.0	125.9	138.6	141.1	145.8	150.7	7151.3	153.1
Currency Demand deposits Time deposits Savings & Joan shares U. S. Govt. securities	4.2 7.2 24.1 3.9 5.7	7.8 24.6 4.1	9.9 24.6 4.4	11.0 24.3 4.4	13.9 25.4 4.6	715.3 27.2 4.8	29.5 5.1	32.3 5.5	36.1 5.9	20.8 40.4 6.4	44.4 6.9	26.0 47.4 7.4	29.4 49.3 7.9	9.1	29.2 52.1 10.3	19.3 28.3 52.8 41.6 41.1

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⁷ Revised.

⁸ Preliminary.

1 Figures for banks, insurance companies, savings and loan associations, nonprofit associations, foreigners, and governmental bodies and agencies are not included in the totals shown.

2 These figures are estimates of demand deposit balances as they would appear on the records of depositors. They differ from figures based on bank records such as given in regular banking statistics. Depositor-record estimates are lower than bank-record estimates; for example, total demand deposits as of Dec. 31, 1949 on a holder-record basis (see table) amounted to 63.8 billion dollars while on a bank-record basis these deposits amount to 77.9 billion. This is because checks are constantly in the mail, i. e., deducted on a payor's records and not yet added on payee's records.

1 Private share capital in all operating savings and loan associations including private repurchasable shares, deposits, and investment certificates.

⁴ Private share capital in all operating savings and loan associations including private repartments.

⁴ Includes outstanding amounts of excess profits tax refund bonds beginning December 1945, as follows, in millions of dollars: 1128; 58; 29; 12; 7; 4. Armed forces leave bonds are included beginning December 1947, as follows, in millions of dollars: 767; 464; 343.

⁵ Includes real estate companies, inance and credit companies, insurance agencies (not carriers), investment trusts, security brokers and dealers, holding companies not otherwise classified, etc.

⁶ Includes only amounts administered by corporate trustees.

⁷ Includes holdings of farmers and professional persons.

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL ADVISORY COUNCIL ON INTERNATIONAL MONETARY AND FINANCIAL PROBLEMS OCTOBER 1, 1949-MARCH 31, 1950

The report given below was transmitted by the President to Congress on July 25, 1950. In addition to the text reprinted here, the report contains several charts and appendixes. The appendixes contain detailed information on postwar United States Government financial assistance to foreign countries, gold transactions between the United States and other countries covering the five-year period January 1, 1945, through December 31, 1949, gold and short-term dollar resources of foreign countries, and membership and resources of the International Monetary Fund and the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development. Copies of the full report may be obtained from the National Advisory Council on International Monetary and Financial Problems, Washington 25, D. C.

I. ORGANIZATION OF THE COUNCIL

STATUTORY BASIS

The National Advisory Council on International Monetary and Financial Problems was established by the Congress in the Bretton Woods Agreements Act (59 Stat. 512, 22 U.S.C. 286b), approved July 31, 1945. The statute directed the Council to coordinate the policies and operations of the representatives of the United States on the International Monetary Fund and the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, the Export-Import Bank of Washington, and all other agencies of the Government "to the extent that they make or participate in the making of foreign loans or engage in foreign financial, exchange or monetary transactions." The Council was also directed to advise and consult with the President and the United States representatives on the Fund and the Bank on major problems arising in the administration of the Fund and the Bank; and to recommend to the President general policy directives for the guidance of the representatives of the United States on the Fund and the Bank. The Council was given certain additional duties with regard to the economic assistance program, and the Bretton Woods Agreements Act was amended by Section 106 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1948 (62 Stat. Ch. 169, 22 U.S.C. 286b (a)), approved April 3, 1948, to include the Administrator for Economic Cooperation as a member of the Council for the duration of this office.

In June 1949, the Bretton Woods Agreements Act and the National Bank Act were amended (63 Stat. 298, 12 U.S.C. 24, 22 U.S.C. 286k-1, 286k-2), to permit wider dealing in and underwriting of International Bank securities and to exempt such securities from the Securities Acts. The legislation also authorized the Securities and Exchange Commission, acting in consultation with the Council, to suspend the exemption of International Bank securities from the Securities Acts.

The relevant portions of the Bretton Woods Agreements Act, the Foreign Assistance Act of 1948, and amendments to the National Bank Act and the Bretton Woods Agreements Act are presented in Appendix A.1

REPORTS

Since its first meeting on August 21, 1945, the Council has submitted 11 formal reports, including two special biennial reports on the operations and policies of the International Monetary Fund and the International Bank.2 The present report covers the activities of the Council from October 1, 1949, to March 31, 1950.

Membership

The members of the Council, according to law,

¹ Appendixes are omitted here but are part of the complete

report submitted to Congress.

The two special reports were transmitted by the President to the Congress on May 17, 1948 (H. Doc. No. 656, 80th Cong., 2d sess.) and May 31, 1950 (H. Doc. No. 611, 81st Cong., 2d sess.). The remaining reports were transmitted on Mar. 1, 1946 (H. Doc. No. 489, 79th Cong., 2d sess., on Mar. 1, 1940 (H. Doc. No. 403, 79th Cong., 2u sess., subsequently included as Appendix B to H. Doc. No. 497, 79th Cong., 2d sess.); Mar. 8, 1946 (H. Doc. No. 50, 80th Cong., 2d sess.); Jan. 13, 1947 (H. Doc. No. 53, 80th Cong., 1st sess.); Jan. 19, 1948 (H. Doc. No. 501, 80th Cong., 1st sess.); Jan. 19, 1948 (H. Doc. No. 501, 80th Cong., 2d 1948). 2d sess.); Aug. 3, 1948 (H. Doc. No. 737, 80th Cong., 2d sess.); Mar. 14, 1949 (H. Doc. No. 120, 81st Cong., 1st sess.); July 5, 1949 (H. Doc. No. 250, 81st Cong., 1st sess.); and Jan. 20, 1950 (H. Doc. No. 450, 81st Cong., 2d sess.) [The texts of most of these reports have been published in the Federal Reserve Bulletin shortly after submittal to Congress.]

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during the period under review, were the following:

The Secretary of the Treasury, John W. Snyder, Chairman.

The Secretary of State, Dean Acheson.

The Secretary of Commerce, Charles Sawyer.

The Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, Thomas B. McCabe.

The Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Export-Import Bank, Herbert E. Gaston.

The Administrator for Economic Cooperation, Paul G. Hoffman.

By agreement, the following served as alternates: William McChesney Martin, Jr., Assistant Secretary of the Treasury.

Willard L. Thorp, Assistant Secretary of State for Economic Affairs.

Thomas C. Blaisdell, Jr., Assistant Secretary of Commerce.

M. S. Szymczak, Member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

Hawthorne Arey, Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Export-Import Bank.

William C. Foster, Deputy Administrator, Economic Cooperation Administration.

C. Dillon Glendinning is the Secretary of the Council.

The United States Executive Directors of the International Monetary Fund, Frank A. Southard, Ir., and of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, William McChesney Martin, Ir., or their Alternates, regularly attended the meetings of the Council.

United States Balance of Payments July 1, 1945-December 31, 1949 In millions of dollars

[in millions of dollars]									
		Means of financing							
Period	Total exports of goods and services	Total imports of goods and services	U. S. Govt. sources (net) ¹	Liquida- tion of gold and dollar assets ²	Other 3				
Total postwar	74,786	39,466	25,463	6,099	3,758				
1945—July-Dec	7,201	4,143	3,629	4 -1,077	506				
1946—JanJune July-Dec	7,235 7,506	3,328 3,635	2,569 2,408	823 1,109	515 354				
1947—JanJune July-Dec	10,068 9,728	4,091 4,198	3,327 2,515	2,378 2,084	272 931				
1948—JanJune July-Dec	8,806 8,286	4,980 5,376	2,302 2,766	854 4 —74	670 218				
1949—JanJune July-Dec	8,765 7,191	4,968 4,747	3,337 2,610	364 4 -362	96 196				

¹ Data on U. S. Government sources (net) presented in this table differ from U. S. Government aid in Table IV and the statistical appendix for the following reasons:

(a) Data in the above table are net of unilateral transfers to the United States, capital repayments, etc., whereas gross data appear in Table IV.

(b) Pensions, annuities, claims of individuals, etc., are included in this calculation of net sources, but are excluded in Table IV.

(c) Included in the calculation of net sources are lend-lease shipments and merchant ship deliveries, whereas aid appearing in Table IV is based on lend-lease billings and mortgages signed, both of which lag. As a result of these lags, net source figures reported for the earlier period in the above table exceed those appearing in Table IV.

² Figures in this table differ from those which could be derived from Table V principally because Table I includes gold sold out of current production abroad, as well as liquidation of existing foreign holdings.

³ Includes dollar disbursements by the International Monetary Fund and the International Bank, U. S. net private remittances, U. S. net private long- and short-term capital outflow, and errors and omissions.

⁴ Net foreign acquisition of dollar assets and purchases of gold from the United States, resulting from an excess of means of financing over exports

Source: U. S. Department of Commerce.

II. UNITED STATES BALANCE OF PAYMENTS IN THE POSTWAR PERIOD

A basic concern of foreign nations in the postwar period has been that of the means of financing required imports from the United States. Between July 1945 and December 1949, total United States exports of goods and services amounted to 74.8 billion dollars, while total imports amounted to 39.5 billion dollars, or 53 per cent of that figure. The remainder of the necessary financing was provided chiefly from United States Government sources, largely credits and grants, of 25.5 billion dollars, or 34 per cent, and liquidation of foreign gold and dollar assets of 6.1 billion dollars, or 8 per cent. These three main components of the balance of payments-foreign trade, Government aid, and changes in gold and dollar assets-are discussed briefly in the following sections.

United States Foreign Trade

United States exports of goods and services, already at a high level, reached a postwar peak in the middle of 1947, and subsequently declined rather steadily. Imports reached their high point in the latter part of 1948, dropped somewhat in 1949, but increased again in the early part of 1950. In each postwar year through 1949, however, the excess of United States exports over imports has been over 6 billion dollars.

United States exports of goods and services in 1949 amounted to 16.0 billion dollars as compared with imports of 9.7 billion dollars. As indicated in Table II, the surplus of United States exports over imports was narrowed to an annual rate of 4.4 billion dollars in the fourth quarter of 1949 while in

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TABLE I

United States Exports and Imports of Goods and Services July 1, 1945–March 31, 1950

[Quarterly figures in millions of dollars]

Period	Exports	Imports	Excess of exports
Total postwar	77,976	42,003	35,973
1945—six months	7,201	4,143	3,058
July-Sept OctDec	3,851 3,350	2,248 1,895	1,603 1,455
1946—total	14,741	6,963	7,778
JanMar. AprJune July-Sept. OctDec.	3,338 3,897 3,784 3,722	1,677 1,651 1,764 1,871	1,661 2,246 2,020 1,851
1947—total	19,796	8,289	11,507
JanMar. AprJune. July-Sept. OctDec.	4,800 5,268 4,830 4,898	1,988 2,103 1,986 2,212	2,812 3,165 2,844 2,686
1948—total	17,092	10,356	6,736
JanMar. AprJune. July-Sept. OctDec.	4,484 4,322 4,029 4,257	2,492 2,488 2,735 2,641	1,992 1,834 1,294 1,616
1949—total	15,956	9,715	6,241
JanMar. AprJune July-Sept. OctDec.	4,323 4,442 3,685 3,506	2,550 2,418 2,346 2,401	1,773 2,024 1,339 1,105
1950—JanMar	3,190	2,537	653

Source: U. S. Department of Commerce.

the first quarter of 1950 the difference was further reduced to an annual rate of 2.6 billion dollars per year. This sharp decline may not continue through 1950. Nevertheless, it compares with the 1948-49 average excess of United States exports over imports of 6.5 billion dollars. Thus, the change in trade since September 1949 has had the effect, at least temporarily, of sharply reducing the over-all trade deficit of foreign countries with the United States.

The period between September 1949 and March 1950 is too short to permit an appraisal of the ultimate effects of the currency devaluations which occurred in the fall of 1949. It is also difficult to separate, statistically, the effects of devaluation on the foreign trade of the United States from the effects of measures to conserve dollar exchange, such as exchange and import restrictions and bilateral trade agreements. The devaluation of foreign currencies vis-a-vis the dollar was responsible, at least in part, for an improvement in the balance-of-payments position of the devaluing countries, including the ERP countries, which were able to increase the volume of their merchandise exports.

The United States share of world merchandise exports has increased both in quantitative and in value terms above prewar levels, our exports during 1949 accounting for about one-fifth of total world exports and our imports amounting to about one-eighth of world imports. While this country is presently the greatest single exporting nation in the world, the Western European countries, most of which are participants in the European Recovery Program, accounted for about one-third of total world exports in 1949 and about two-fifths of world imports. The percentage of foreign trade to the gross national product, moreover, is relatively small for the United States as compared with other major trading nations.

One of the salient features of changes in world trade during the postwar period, as compared with prewar, has been the increased amount of trade between the United States and other nations of the Western Hemisphere. Another factor, which has represented a shift in the postwar world trading pattern as compared with prewar, has been the decline in the positions of both Germany and Japan as major trading nations. In addition, a number of other countries, severely affected by the war,

TABLE III

Distribution of Total World Trade, Postwar, and Prewar, by Geographic Area ¹

[Values expressed in millions of U. S. dollars]

EXPORTS (F.O.B.)

ا منت	19	49	1938		
Area	Amount	Per cent	Amount	Per cent	
World total	\$57,129	100.0	\$22,137	100.0	
United StatesOther Western Hemisphere	12,028	21.0	3,122	14.1	
	9,243	16.2	2,850	12.9	
Europe Intra-European trade Other European trade	22,960	40.2	11,031	49.8	
	9,736	17.0	5,256	23.7	
	13,224	23.2	5,775	26.1	
Far East and Oceania	8,050	14.1	3,832	17.3	
Africa and Middle East	4,848	8.5	1,302	5.9	

IMPORTS (C.I.F.)

World total	62,709	100.0	24,863	100.0
United StatesOther Western Hemisphere	7,529	12.0	2,203	8.9
	9,160	14.6	2,714	10.9
Europe	29,887	47.7	14,249	57.3
	10,071	16.1	5,808	23.4
	19,816	31.6	8,441	33.9
Far East and Oceania	9,139	14.6	3,840	15.4
Africa and Middle East	6,994	11.1	1,857	7.5

¹ Merchandise only (excluding services).

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Source: International Monetary Fund and Economic Cooperation Administration.

have been unable to supply their needs through exports but have, in part, been dependent on foreign aid to maintain subsistence. The Western European countries imported the products of the Western Hemisphere to a greater extent than in the prewar period. The change in the pattern of world trade in the postwar period is reflected in Table III.

In the early postwar period, the demand of wardevastated countries was largely for consumption goods. Later there was a shift in emphasis to reconstruction and recovery programs, and the demand for capital goods increased, although many countries have continued their demands for consumption goods. Important United States exports include machinery, iron and steel manufactures, textiles, and such agricultural products as wheat and cotton. Major imports include newsprint, coffee, certain ores and metals, natural rubber, wool, and vegetable oils. The most important shift in the postwar foreign trade of the United States has been the tendency for this country to run a food export surplus, whereas in the prewar period the United States was a net importer of food. However, it should be noted that the United States had abnormal exports in the early postwar years, particularly in 1947, because of the transition abroad from a wartime to a peacetime economy, when nonrecurring United States exports of such items as coal and certain agricultural products were essential to foreign economic recovery. Illustrative of this was the export of bituminous coal to certain areas of Europe which normally were able to meet their requirements from European sources. But the return to a closer balance in conditions of supply and demand which was in evidence during 1949 was reflected in a decreased flow of United States exports, particularly during the latter part of 1949.

Invisibles, such as shipping and the foreign travel of American citizens, constitute a major component of the foreign trade of the United States. In

Table IV

United States Government Foreign Aid Utilized
July 1, 1945–December 31, 1949
By Geographic Area
[In millions of dollars]

Area	Total	Grants	Credits
Total, all areas	25,932	15,688	10,244
Total, Europe	20,122	11,236	8,886
ERP participants Other Europe	18,539 1,583	10,121 1,115	8,418 468
Asia Latin America All other	4,567 398 845	3,786 33 633	781 365 212

Source: U. S. Department of Commerce.

prewar years, greater use was made of the ships of other countries than of those of the United States. During the early postwar period, American shipping earnings were high because foreign nations had not wholly repaired war shipping losses, while United States tonnages had substantially increased. The larger participation of United States vessels in the carriage of American foreign trade and the large excess of United States exports over imports contributed to high shipping earnings. However, more recently a greater proportion of United States overseas trade has been carried in foreign ships. Other invisibles, particularly the foreign travel of American citizens, are of significance in financing United States exports.

FOREIGN AID

As pointed out in the preceding Réport of the Council, funds authorized and appropriated for the immediate postwar programs of assistance were substantially exhausted by mid-1948. By that time, the European Recovery Program had swung into operation. In addition, there were continuing programs of aid such as that provided under Government and Relief in Occupied Areas. The normal lending activities of the Export-Import Bank were continued throughout the postwar period. The Mutual Defense Assistance Program, military-economic in nature, was approved in October 1949, and shipments were begun in March 1950. During the latter part of 1949, there was some decline in the aggregate amount of foreign aid. However, United States Government foreign aid has not varied greatly in amount, averaging about 5.8 billion dollars per year since July 1945.

The total of United States Government foreign aid, utilized during the period between July 1, 1945, and December 31, 1949, amounted to 25.9 billion dollars of which grants constituted approximately three-fifths, or 15.7 billion dollars and credits twofifths, or 10.2 billion dollars (see Table IV). Almost three-fourths (18.5 billion dollars) of total assistance had been provided to ERP participants, with Asia the geographical area receiving the next largest share (4.6 billion dollars). The predominance of grant assistance during the past two years is apparent from the fact that utilized grant assistance amounted to 4.0 billion dollars in 1948 and 5.2 billion dollars in 1949, as compared with utilized credit assistance of 1.6 billion dollars and 700 million dollars in 1948 and 1949, respectively.

FOREIGN GOLD AND DOLLAR RESERVES

As indicated above, the two principal means of financing United States exports have been the payments accruing to foreigners as the result of United

States imports, and the provision of United States Government aid in the form of loans and grants. A third important means of financing balance of payments deficits has been through the use of foreign gold and dollar resources. The reserve position of foreign countries had declined by about 4.8 billion dollars from June 30, 1945, through December 31, 1948 (see Table V). On December 31,

Estimated Foreign Gold and Short-Term Dollar Balances, June 30, 1945–December 31, 1949 $^{\mathtt{1}}$ By Geographic Area

[In millions of dollars]

	June	End of year					
Area	30 1945	1946	1947	1948	1949		
Total, all areas	19,717	19,347	15,128	14,867	15,214		
Total, Europe	11,224	10,799	8,545	8,438	8,479		
ERP participants 2 Other Europe 3	10,195 1,029	9,695 1,104	7,542 1,003	7,630 808	7,757 722		
Latin America	3,625 2,291 2,577	2,321	2,081	2,187	2,044		

¹ Excludes holdings of the International Monetary Fund, the International Bank, and other international organizations; also excludes U. S. S. R. gold holdings.

² Including dependencies except for Indonesian holdings which are included in Asia and Oceania.

³ Includes gold held by Tripartite Commission for the Restitution of Monetary Cold.

1949, the estimated gold and short-term dollar holdings of foreign countries, excluding the gold holdings of the U.S.S.R., amounted to 15.2 billion dollars as compared with 14.9 billion dollars at the end of 1948. The increase during 1949 of about 350 million dollars in monetary reserves represented a marked reversal of the previous postwar trend.3 In recent years, the acquisition of gold by the United States has generally been in excess of annual world gold production. However, it may be noted that the flow of gold for settling balance-of-payments deficits could not be continued at this rate since few countries are substantial producers of gold and few have had gold and dollar resources adequate to serve as currency reserves and as working balances for international transactions.

Devaluation has been responsible, in part, for

changing the direction of the flow of gold and shortterm capital between the United States and foreign countries. For the six-month period ending on March 31, 1950, foreign countries increased their gold and short-term dollar holdings, through transactions with the United States, by more than the losses which they had sustained during the first three quarters of 1949. In addition to these gains, the reserves of foreign countries were also augmented by new gold production.

United States Investments Abroad

From the end of 1945 to the end of 1949, United States private investments abroad increased nearly one-third or about 4.6 billion dollars. Over the same period United States Government investments -a large part of which were directed to the European countries—rose from 2.1 billion to 13.5 billion dollars.4 A large part of the additional postwar private investment was made up of reinvested earnings. Such income was largely derived from overseas petroleum production and from American manufacturing and mining enterprises in foreign countries.

TABLE VI United States Investments Abroad in the Postwar PERIOD

[In billions of dollars]

Torre of improvement	End of year						
Type of investment	1945	1946	1947	1948	1949		
Total	16.8	20.7	29.0	31.3	32.8		
Private U. S. Government	14.7 2.1	15.6 5.1	17.0 12.0	18.3 13.0	19.3 13.5		

Private United States investments abroad are predominately long-term, and include a large proportion of direct investments. United States Government investments abroad have resulted mainly from the extension of loans and credits and are thus also very largely long-term. United States private investment in ERP countries increased very little in the postwar period, and presently constitutes about 20 per cent of total private investment abroad. On the other hand, United States Government investment in ERP countries has increased much more rapidly than in the rest of the world, and comprises about 60 per cent of public investment abroad.

tion of Monetary Gold.

Source: Treasury Department and Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

³ The net difference between the 6.1 billion dollars referred to earlier as constituting liquidation of gold and dollar assets between July 1, 1945, and Dec. 31, 1949 (see Table I) and the 4.5 billion dollar reduction in foreign gold and dollar balances indicated in Table V is largely accounted for by sales of gold to the United States out of current foreign gold production.

⁴ Exclusive of World War I debts, which are likewise excluded from Table VI.

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While the recent devaluations tended to reduce the transfer problem with respect to private equity investment, they had a tendency to increase the local currency burden of servicing debt denominated in dollars. This particularly affects ERP countries where most of the debts owing to the United States Government are concentrated. The total foreign debt service owing to the United States Government on existing loans will increase from about 300 million dollars in 1950 to about 500 million in 1952,

and thereafter decline to a level somewhat in excess of 400 million per year.

Foreign assets in the United States have varied very little in the aggregate in the postwar period, fluctuating around a level of about 17.0 billion dollars. These holdings mainly consist of short-term assets, such as dollar deposits and United States Government securities with short maturities.

As of December 31, 1949, American-owned assets in foreign countries exceeded foreign-owned assets in the United States by more than 15 billion dollars.

III. ACTIVITIES OTHER THAN THOSE RELATING TO THE INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND AND THE INTERNATIONAL BANK

EUROPEAN RECOVERY PROGRAM

Appropriation request and proposed method of allocation for ERP, fiscal year 1951. During February 1950, the Council concurred in ECA's proposal that approximately 3 billion dollars should be recommended to the Congress as the appropriation request for the European Recovery Program for the fiscal year 1951. In determining its appropriation request for this period, the ECA had based its calculations on a consolidated balance-of-payments projection for the recipient countries as a group, including an evaluation of commodity import programs. The estimated dollar requirements represented roughly 75 per cent of the 3.9 billion dollars in appropriation and authorization ECA had received for the fiscal year 1950.

During the first two years of the European Recovery Program aid to the individual countries was based upon the amounts indicated as necessary to restore and improve levels of internal production and consumption. In anticipation of the tapering-off of the program to its end on June 30, 1952, proposed allocations of assistance for the fiscal year 1951 were based on proportionate shares of the amounts previously allotted to the individual countries. Also, it was planned that a central reserve fund would be set aside to be utilized in connection with the proposed European Payments Union and in other ways to contribute to the liberalization of trade in Europe.

The over-all estimate of ECA appeared reasonable in the light of anticipated dollar requirements for the recipient countries as a group for the fiscal year 1951. It was recognized that there would be variation in performance among countries, as in the past, with the possibility of corresponding fluctuations in reserves of the individual recipient countries.

Proposed legislation was submitted by ECA to provide funds for the fiscal year 1951 totalling 2.95

billion dollars, in addition to which it was requested that any balances unobligated as of June 30, 1950, or the subsequent release of obligations (estimated at about 150 million dollars) be made available for obligation through the fiscal year 1951. Of this total appropriation request, it was proposed that about 600 million be reserved to provide for the liberalization of European trade and payments, including the establishment of a European Payments Union, while the remaining funds would be primarily for direct country aid. In the ECA presentation to the Congress, it was stated that the main function of the proposed EPU would be "the development of transferability of European currencies and to promote the liberalization of trade by participating countries with one another and with other countries." 5

ECA grants and loans. As indicated in Table VII, the bulk of ERP assistance has been in the form of grants. Moreover, the bulk of ECA loans, amounting to about 1 billion dollars, was negotiated during the first year of the program. In the fiscal year 1949, funds equal to that amount were available only for the purpose of making loans or guaranties. The Council considered that assistance for the fiscal years 1950 and 1951 should be predominantly on a grant basis but recommended that the Administrator for Economic Cooperation seek discretionary authority with respect to the total amount appropriated for the program (exclusive of the amount provided for guaranties) to extend

⁵ On June 5, 1950, President Truman signed the Foreign Economic Assistance Act of 1950, which included authorization of new appropriations of 2.7 billion dollars for continuation of the European Recovery Program for the fiscal year 1951. In addition, funds previously appropriated for ERP and unobligated as of June 30, 1950 (as well as funds subsequently released from obligation), were authorized for obligation in the fiscal year 1951. Furthermore, the authorization of 150 million dollars for guaranties, contained in the 1949 legislation, was increased to 200 million.

such assistance either on a grant or a loan basis. This action was designed to preserve Europe's capacity to borrow through normal investment channels in the post-ERP period.

For the fiscal year 1950, the Congress authorized 150 million dollars for the purpose of extending loans to participating countries, a reduction from the 1 billion dollars of funds set aside for loan or guaranty authority for the fiscal year 1949. As of March 31, 1950, the Council had approved proposals by the Administrator for Economic Cooperation for allocations of new loans in the amount of approximately 106 million dollars for the fiscal year 1950, and it was anticipated that the Administrator would shortly propose another allocation of the residual amount of the 150 million dollars authorized for loans, amounting to about 44 million.

European Payments Union. During February 1950, the ECA outlined to the Congress certain details with respect to the proposed European Payments Union. The major objectives of the proposed Union, which is intended to replace the existing Intra-European Payments Plan, were stated by ECA as follows:

"The replacement of bilateral by multilateral trade would be accomplished through a clearing system which would permit each member to offset a deficit against any one member with a surplus against any other. Countries would not have to

settle each deficit bilaterally with each other but would settle only their multilateral deficit with the Union, which would generally be smaller than the sum of their bilateral deficits. To discourage excessive multilateral surpluses and deficits, the Union would require creditors to settle part of their surpluses with long-term loans to the Union, and debtors to settle part of their deficits with the Union in gold or dollars. Furthermore, a Board of Governors would have authority to adjust the working of these settlements arrangements and to use other means to induce countries to maintain a reasonable balance with the Union as a whole." ⁶

In its review of the proposal, the Council considered that, in the establishment of the proposed Union, its operations should not conflict with obligations undertaken by the United States and other member governments to the International Monetary Fund and that the establishment of the Union on the regional basis proposed should not prevent any one participating country or group of participating countries from moving as rapidly as possible toward currency convertibility and economic integration independently of the rate of progress of other members of the proposed Union.

Local currency accounts. As outlined in previous reports of the Council, participating countries receiving assistance in the form of grants from ECA

Table VII

ECA Allotments to Participating Countries, April 3, 1948-March 31, 1950, by Type of Aid

[In millions of dollars]

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Constan	Total allotments	Total allot- ments, loans, grants and	Loans, grants, and conditional aid April 3, 1948-June 30, 1949				
Country	Apr. 3, 1948- Mar. 31, 1950	conditional aid July 1, 1949– Mar. 31, 1950	Total	Loans	Grants	Conditional aid	
All ERP countries	8,984.9	3,031.9	5,953.0	972.3	4,209.3	771.4	
United Kingdom France and DOT Italy	1,894.1	798.2 580.7 339.0	1,619.7 1,313.4 668.0	322.7 172.0 67.0	963.0 1,131.7 553.7	334.0 9.7 47.3	
Germany (Fed. Rep.) ¹	873.7 824.1 481.4	260.2 253.0 220.0	613.5 571.1 261.4	146.7 50.9	516.1 413.1 3.0	97.4 11.3 207.5	
Austria. Greece Denmark.	316.0	149.4 124.3 70.8	280.0 191.7 126.2	31.0	276.9 191.7 90.1	3.1 5.1	
Norway. Ireland. Turkey.	121.6	80.9 35.3 41.2	101.1 86.3 49.0	35.0 86.3 38.0	49.6		
Sweden. Trieste. Portugal and DOT. Iceland.	27.3 22.0	42.6 9.4 22.0 4.9	45.4 17.9 8.3	20.4	17.9	25.0	

¹ ECA allotments exclude funds for government and relief in occupied areas. Source: Economic Cooperation Administration.

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⁶ ECA Budget Estimate, July 1, 1950—June 30, 1951, P. II, pp. 13 and 14.

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are required to deposit their own currencies in special accounts in amounts commensurate with the dollar costs of the grant aid received. There is no obligation to deposit local currency counterpart where countries receive assistance in the form of loans. Where assistance has taken the form of conditional aid, the country receiving ECA dollars has placed at the disposal of other participants its currency in the form of drawing rights. The country receiving the drawing rights has made a commensurate deposit in a special local currency account.

Recipient countries make deposits in the special local currency accounts after notification by ECA, using conversion rates which are either the par values agreed to by the International Monetary Fund, or, where the country has no par value, a rate mutually agreed upon by ECA and the participating country.

During the six-month period ending March 31, 1950, the Council reviewed requests for the release of counterpart funds in Austria, Belgium, Western Germany, France, Italy, the Netherlands, and Norway. The Council had previously reviewed releases for all of these countries except Belgium and Western Germany. Table VIII shows, as of March 31, 1950, the status of counterpart funds under the

Foreign Assistance Act of 1948 (as amended). Ninety-five per cent counterpart. The purposes for which 95 per cent counterpart funds have been used may be summarized briefly as follows:

A. For monetary and financial stability. In the United Kingdom and Norway, counterpart releases have been made supporting the financial stabilization programs of those countries. Counterpart funds were released to cancel government obligations to the central bank, which cancellation resulted in a desirable reduction in the volume of circulating media in those countries. Furthermore, where releases were made to finance investment programs, consideration was given to the impact of such releases on the achievement and maintenance of monetary and financial stability, and the releases were frequently made in connection with the taking by the participating countries concerned of measures designed to further financial stability.

B. For capital investment and promotion of production. In France, counterpart funds were used to finance investments in important areas of the French economy, including the coal, steel, transportation, electric power, and manufacturing industries, and in agriculture. In Western Germany, capital investment loans were made out of counterpart funds to finance power developments, coal

Table VIII

Status of European Local Currency Counterpart Fund Accounts under Public Law 472, March 31, 1950

[Dollar equivalents of local currency, in millions]

	Adjusted dol	lar equivalents	of deposits 1	For use by recipient countries (95 per cent portion)			
Country receiving grant	Total	5 per cent for use by United States	95 per cent for use by recipient countries	Approved for withdrawal	Withdrawals	Balances on deposit	
All countries	5,113.0	236.8	4,876.2	3,380.7	3,157.5	1,718.7	
France United Kingdom Germany (Fed. Rep.)	1,479.8 1,296.0 574.7	64.3 60.8 27.0	1,415.5 1,235.2 547.7	1,353.4 787.2 375.6	1,353.4 787.2 373.0	62.1 448.0 174.7	
Italy	469.6 369.4 317.9	24.1 18.1 14.9	445.5 351.3 303.0	206.5 162.9 187.4	80.1 162.9 169.0	365.4 188.4 134.0	
Greece	288.2 163.7 107.4	12.5 7.2 5.5	275.7 156.5 101.9	219.0 73.5 (*)	143.4 73.5 (*)	132.3 83.0 101.9	
Turkey	18.6 16.0 4.1	0.9 0.8 0.2	17.7 15.2 3.9	15.2	15.0	17.7 0.2 3.9	
Ireland Belgium Iceland	3.0 2.7 1.9	0.2 0.2 0.1	2.8 2.5 1.8			2.8 2.5 1.8	

^{*}Less than \$50,000.

¹Local currency is deposited in the special counterpart accounts at the agreed upon rates in effect at the time dollar funds were actually expended by ECA. Withdrawals of part of these local currency funds were made, however, at times when the conversion rates were different from those in effect at the time of deposit. The adjusted dollar equivalent of deposits represents the sum of withdrawals (calculated at the conversion rates in effect at the time of withdrawal) plus balances on hand (calculated at the current conversion rate).

² Inculted Indonesia.

Source: Economic Cooperation Administration.

mines, agricultural rehabilitation and development, and a wide variety of industries, especially dollarsaving and dollar-earning industries. In Austria, releases were made for capital investments in essential industries and agriculture. In Italy, counterpart funds were used to promote agricultural development, for rehabilitation of the railroad system, and for other essential investments. Trieste, counterpart was used to make loans for shipbuilding, Trieste's chief industry, and for other industrial and commercial purposes. Greece, counterpart funds were utilized for the rehabilitation of agriculture, transportation, other utilities, and essential industrial plants. In the Netherlands, the greater part of counterpart funds released was for land reclamation, agricultural research and development, waterways and harbors, etc. The Council concurred in the release of counterpart funds in Belgium to finance research and technical developments in industry and agriculture.7

C. For other purposes. Counterpart funds were released in various countries to finance essential industrial housing, tourist facilities, the transportation of relief packages and, in Greece, for the care and rehabilitation of refugees from the guerrilla warfare.

Five per cent counterpart. Not less than 5 per cent of local currency deposits is reserved for United States use in the recipient country and is placed in a separate account under the control of United States disbursing officers. These funds are used for ECA administrative expenses, or for the purchase or development of the production of strategic materials which are in short supply in the United States. Funds not required by ECA are transferred to the United States Treasury for use by other United States Government agencies. In order to be so used, these agencies must, in effect, purchase such funds from the Treasury with their appropriated dollars.

ECA guaranty program. In the two years of ECA operations ending on March 31, 1950, 17 guaranty contracts, with a total value of \$6,130,127, were issued in connection with new industrial investments by United States investors in ERP countries. In addition, the total of informational media guaranties signed since the inception of the program amounted to \$3,053,838.

As of March 31, 1950, there were under consideration 29 applications for industrial investment guaranties amounting to \$32,250,876; 4 applications for guaranties of contracts for the furnishing of capital goods items and related services (forward

contracting guaranties), totalling \$4,550,000; and 63 applications for informational media guaranties valued at \$10,254,510.

Through March 31, 1950, fees collected for the issuance of informational media guaranties amounted to about \$37,000. Dollar disbursements made pursuant to applications for the conversion of foreign currencies under such guaranties totalled some \$567,500. With respect to industrial guaranties, fees collected amounted to about \$59,000, but no dollar disbursements were made.

As indicated in the previous Report of the Council, the Economic Cooperation Act of 1948 was amended and liberalized in 1949 to allow United States firms securing guaranties for new industrial and commercial investments in participating countries to convert receipts into dollars during the life of the guaranty up to 100 per cent of the dollars invested plus actual earnings or profits derived from the projects represented by such investments to the extent provided in the contract of guaranty. ECA determined that the aggregate amount to be covered under a guaranty of an industrial project should not at any time exceed 175 per cent of the value of the cash or tangible property invested, plus additional amounts based upon techniques and processes contributed by the applicant. During the first five years of individual guaranty contracts, investors were limited in the amount of receipts that they could convert under the guaranty, but beginning in the sixth year each investor in industrial and commercial enterprises may convert at any time up to the full amount of the coverage provided by each guaranty contract. The effective life of the guaranties may extend until April 3, 1962. No provision was made under the guaranty legislation of 1948 or 1949 against ordinary business or political risks or against fluctuations in rates of foreign exchange. Guaranties of investments in enterprises producing or distributing informational media were reduced under the Act as amended in 1949 from a limit of 15 million dollars to a limit of 10 million in any fiscal year.8

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⁷ The release of counterpart funds in Belgium occurred after the close of the period under review.

^{*}Under the Foreign Economic Assistance Act of 1950, which amends the Economic Cooperation Act of 1948 as amended, considerable changes were made in the guaranty coverage formerly provided. Among other things this amendment enlarges the definition of investments which may qualify for guaranties to include those of an intangible (i.e., patents, processes, and techniques) as well as tangible nature. Also, in addition to the risk of nonconvertibility of foreign currencies, ECA may guarantee against the risk of loss due to expropriation or confiscation by action of a government of a participating country. Finally, as indicated previously, Congress gave ECA authority to issue up to 200 million dollars in guaranties, an increase of 50 million over the amount previously available.

Recovery Program indicated that the investment guaranty provision had interested primarily companies doing a considerable volume of European business in relatively specialized products either through plants already established abroad or by export sales. These guaranties were approved by the ECA and the participating governments concerned on the basis of their contribution to the recovery effort. In most cases, it was anticipated that not only would the domestic market of the recipient country be served by the guaranty, thus reducing the need for dollar imports, but that some of the output would also be sold to other countries. Informational media guaranties have been written for newspapers, magazines, and other periodicals in such a manner that the amounts payable by ECA to publishers or distributors will not exceed the estimated dollar costs incurred. These guaranties involved new investments for the purpose of obtaining increased circulation and are issued generally for a period of six months with the privilege of renewal upon expiration.

ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE FOR ASIA

China. Under the Foreign Assistance Act of 1948, an appropriation of 275 million dollars was made available for economic aid to China until April 3, 1949. In early 1949, when it became evident that the civil war on the Chinese mainland had severely restricted the area of effective United States aid, the program of assistance was reduced in scope. As of April 3, 1949, the unobligated balance of funds from this appropriation amounted to 54 million dollars. These funds, and any funds thereafter released from obligation, were made available for expenditure through February 15, 1950, by Public Law 47 (81st Cong., 1st sess.).

Subsequently, as a result of further developments in China, the program was progressively curtailed. Certain funds were released from obligation and on December 31, 1949, there was left an unobligated portion of 90.8 million dollars from the original appropriation, plus further estimated releases from obligation of 14.0 million. Under Public Law 447 (81st Cong., 2d sess.), the Congress extended from February 15, 1950, to June 30, 1950, the authority of the President to obligate funds previously appropriated under Public Law 47 (81st Cong., 1st sess.) for assistance to certain areas of China.⁹

Japan. During January 1950, the Council reviewed a request for appropriations, prepared by

the Department of the Army, for economic aid to Japan during the fiscal year 1951. The Council had occasion previously to review the Department of the Army's appropriation request for the economic rehabilitation of Japan for the fiscal year 1950. At that time, the Council believed that certain steps should be taken in Japan to bring about economic stabilization. Council consideration of the Japanese financial situation was followed by a directive of the Supreme Commander Allied Powers (SCAP) to the Japanese Government on economic stabilization and by a Mission to Japan to advise and assist SCAP in the implementation of the directive. A single exchange rate for the Japanese yen was established during April 1949. The directive and the work of the Mission have resulted in progress in the economic stabilization of Japan and in assisting the country in its efforts toward attaining a self-supporting economy.

The appropriation request for economic aid to Japan for the fiscal year 1951 was subsequently presented to the Congress.

Korea. During February 1950, under the Far Eastern Economic Assistance Act of 1950 (Public Law 447, 81st Cong., 2d sess.) the Congress authorized 60 million dollars of aid to Korea for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1950, in addition to the sums already appropriated. The Reconstruction Finance Corporation was authorized to make advances not to exceed 30 million dollars to carry out this provision. Korea had previously received 60 million dollars in aid to cover part of its requirements for the fiscal year 1950.

EXPORT-IMPORT BANK CREDITS

During the period under review, the Council continued to work closely with the Export-Import Bank to facilitate coordination of the Bank's operations with those of other agencies concerned with foreign financial and monetary matters. New credits authorized by the Bank during this period totalled \$216,642,859.

Afghanistan. Application by Afghanistan to the Export-Import Bank for credits to assist in financing the dollar costs of equipment, materials, and services required for the construction of dam, river development, and irrigation projects, was referred to the Council. Development work, previously undertaken by an American engineering firm and financed by Afghanistan's foreign exchange receipts, had resulted in the construction of a dam and an all-weather road. Completion of the irriga-

⁹ Under the China Area Aid Act of 1950 (Title II of the Foreign Economic Assistance Act of 1950), unobligated funds or those to be released from obligation under the 1949 appropriation were made available through June 30, 1951, to further the general objectives of the China Aid Act of 1948.

¹⁰ In June 1950, Section 3(d) of the Far Eastern Economic Assistance Act of 1950 was amended to authorize 100 million dollars of assistance for Korea for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1951 (Public Law 535, 81st Cong., 2d sess.).

tion works to be financed in part by the proposed credit will provide for an increased food supply and permit the resumption of other types of agricultural production. It should also improve the country's international financial position. After consultation with the Council, the Bank on November 25, 1949, announced authorization of credits to Afghanistan not to exceed 21 million dollars.

Bolivia. In 1944, after recommendation by a United States economic mission, construction was started on the Cochabamba-Santa Cruz highway in Bolivia. At that time, the Export-Import Bank extended a credit of 15.5 million dollars to the Bolivian Government of which 10.0 million, along with funds supplied from Bolivian sources, was to be used to finance highway construction. This highway is designed to provide a transportation link between the centers of population and agricultural areas in Bolivia, and make possible the development of the Santa Cruz area as a source of supply for food and other agricultural products, which are now largely imported. The development will also contribute to an improvement of Bolivia's international payments position and serve to relieve its extreme dependence on the production and export of tin. The Council approved consideration by the Bank of an additional credit to Bolivia and on November 1, 1949, the Bank announced that it had authorized a credit to the Bolivian Government not to exceed 16 million dollars to finance two-thirds of the costs of completing the Cochabamba-Santa Cruz highway. Advances under the credit will be repaid over a period of 16.5 years beginning on March 31, 1954, and ending on September 30, 1970, at a rate of interest of 3½ per cent per annum.

Chile. Application to the Bank by the Corporacion de Fomento de la Produccion of Chile for funds to assist in the development of iron ore deposits near Coquimbo, Chile, was referred to the Council during October 1949. Under this proposal, credits will be made available for purchase in the United States of railroad, dock, and construction equipment representing one-third of the total estimated financing costs of \$8,250,000. mainder of the funds will be supplied by the Bethlehem Steel Company and will help finance the construction of port works and ore handling facilities, and the rehabilitation of railway facilities. The purpose of this new credit is to assure a supply of ore for the steel plant located near Concepcion, Chile, which was financed in part by a 48 million dollar Export-Import Bank credit, and to provide an additional source of dollar revenue to Chile from the export of iron ore to the United States. The Bank, after consulting the Council,

announced on October 28, 1949, authorization of a credit of \$2,750,000 to the Corporacion de Fomento to be repaid over a period of 15 years at 4 per cent, repayment to be guaranteed by the Republic of Chile.

As indicated in its previous Report, the Council had earlier approved consideration by the Export-Import Bank of a credit to Chile not to exceed 25 million dollars to assist in the financing of its import program for the remainder of 1949. The authorization of this credit was announced by the Bank on October 7, 1949.

Ecuador. In order to assist in the reconstruction of property damaged by the earthquake of August 5, 1949, Ecuador applied to the Export-Import Bank for credits to finance the cost of the repair and reconstruction of roads, the financing of railroad equipment, and for specific projects directed toward restoration of the earthquake-affected area. All of the projects undertaken as a result of this financing will be directed toward meeting Ecuador's long range reconstruction and development needs. Domestic costs of reconstruction will continue to be provided by internal financing on the part of Ecuador. The Council approved consideration by the Bank of a credit to Ecuador of 7 million dollars, payable over a period of 20 years, with interest at $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent per year, and the Bank announced authorization of this credit on December 21, 1949.

Indonesia. During February 1950, the Bank consulted with the Council on an application by the Republic of the United States of Indonesia for credits to assist in financing the import from the United States of capital goods urgently required for reconstruction of the Indonesian economy. Vital equipment and materials for agricultural production and processing are necessary in order to restore Indonesia to her prewar level as a major source of certain products, such as rubber, tin, palm oil and coconut products, sisal, tea, kapok, and other essential commodities. On February 11, 1950, the Bank announced the authorization of the establishment of credits to Indonesia up to 100 million dollars at an interest rate of 3½ per cent per annum repayable over a period of 20 years, with principal payments beginning after five years.

Saudi Arabia. During October 1949, the Bank referred to the Council an application of the Al Haza Cement Company, a subsidiary of Saudi Arabian Industries Corporation, for the construction of a cement plant. After consultation with the Council, the Export-Import Bank on November 9, 1949, authorized a credit of 4 million dollars to this company under guaranty of the Saudi Arabian Government. The loan will mature in 10 years

and bear 4 per cent interest.

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Yugoslavia. Early in 1950, the Export-Import Bank consulted the Council on the application by Yugoslavia for additional credits to provide essential imports, including those necessary to maintain and improve the transport system, particularly in those branches related to Yugoslav exports. On March 2, 1950, the Bank announced that 20 million dollars would be available to Yugoslavia until March 30, 1951, to bear interest at $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent per annum, and to be amortized over a period of seven years, beginning on January 1, 1954.

Other Export-Import Bank credits. In October 1949, a credit of \$3,806,200 was established to assist in financing the sale by Higgins, Inc., shipbuilders, of coastal cargo vessels and harbor ferries to Brazil. In November 1949, the Bank joined with the International General Electric Company in financing the dollar costs of expending the electric power generating and distributing equipment of the Compania Anonima de la Electricidad de Caracas, Venezuela. The Bank's credit for this purpose is

\$5,158,000.

The Export-Import Bank also acted, on behalf of ECA, as administering agency for the supplementary loan agreements with participating ERP countries, signed during the period under review. The terms and conditions of these loans, determined by ECA after consultation with the Council, include an interest rate of 2½ per cent per annum payable semiannually from 1952, and principal payments beginning in 1956. The loans mature in 1983. Minor changes were made in the amounts covered by the loan agreements with the Netherlands (for Indonesia), Ireland, Sweden, and the United Kingdom.

As of March 31, 1950, the resources of the Export-Import Bank were distributed as follows (in millions of dollars):

Loans outstanding	\$2,199.8
Undisbursed commitments	486.5
Uncommitted lending authority	813.7
Total lending authority.	\$3,500.0

Table IX shows the distribution of credits (less cancellations and expirations) authorized by country and object of financing.

THE POINT IV PROGRAM AND FOREIGN INVESTMENT PROBLEMS

The general nature of the Point IV Program was discussed in the preceding semiannual Report of the Council. During the period under review, progress was made in the negotiation of treaties of friendship, commerce, and economic development, which have as one of their objectives the creation

TARLE IX

CREDITS AUTHORIZED BY THE EXPORT-IMPORT BANK July 1, 1945-March 31, 1950 1 By Area and Country

IIn millions of dollars

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Area and country	Total	Recon- struc- tion	De- velop- ment	Lend- lease requi- si- tions	Cot- ton pur- chases ²	Other
Total, all areas.	2,846.2	1,008.6	972.3	655.0	183.0	27.3
Total, Europe	2,050.0	971.9	300.5	655.0	105.0	17.6
France Netherlands Belgium	1,200.0 205.3 132.0	650.0 152.2 45.0	3.1 32.0	550.0 50.0 55.0		
Italy Finland Norway	131.8 100.2 50.2	50.0	101.9 73.2		25.0 17.0	\$4.9 410.0 .2
Poland Yugoslavia Turkey	40.0 40.0 35.5		40.0 35.5			
Czechoslovakia . Denmark Greece	22.0 20.0 14.7	20.0 14.7			20.0	
Austria Germany Sweden	13.1 4.6 2.2		12.6		54.6	5
Unallotted cotton credits	38.4				38.4	
Total, Latin America	284.5		284.5	. 		
Chile	92.5 68.4 57.0		92.5 68.4 57.0			
Colombia Bolivia Ecuador	20.0 19.3 10.8		20.0 19.3 10.8			
Venezuela Haiti Panama	8.0 4.0 2.0	J	8.0 4.0 2.0			
Argentina Uruguay Other L. A	.2 .1 2.2		.2 .1 2.2			
Total, Asia and Africa	357.0	36.7	242.3		78.0	
Indonesia Israel China	100.0 100.0 66.7		100.0 100.0		33.0	· · · · · ·
Japan Afghanistan Saudi Arabia	45.0 21.0 14.0		21.0 14.0		5 45.0	
Egypt Ethiopia	7.3 3.0	3.0	7.3			
Canada	145.0		⁵ 145.0			

¹ Cancellations and expirations deducted. Many of these pertained to credits established prior to July 1, 1945. Numerous small exporter-importer loans extended by the Bank, July 1, 1945, through Mar. 31, 1950, are excluded, as well as participation by private banks not guaranteed by the Export-Import Bank. Also excluded are Mexican authorizations of 30 million dollars, and a Peruvian authorization of \$400,000 approved prior to June 30, 1945, recorded on the books of the Export-Import Bank subsequent to June 30, 1945.
² Credits extended by Export-Import Bank under general approval of the Council. Hungarian credit of 7 million dollars cancelled Apr. 2, 1947. ² For financing tobacco purchases. ¹ For financing food purchases. ¹ Revolving credits. Source: Export-Import Bank of Washington.

Source: Export-Import Bank of Washington.

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of a more favorable climate for investment abroad. The proposals relating to United States participation in international technical cooperation were considered by the Congress and included in the over-all program for foreign economic assistance.¹¹ As of the date of this Report, no further action had been taken on the bills permitting the extension of foreign investment guaranties, which had been reported on favorably by the Banking and Currency Committees of both Houses of Congress during the first session of the Eighty-first Congress.¹²

The communique signed on September 12, 1949, following the Tripartite Discussions among representatives of the United States, the United Kingdom, and Canada, requested the President's Committee for Financing Foreign Trade to explore possible means of action in promoting overseas investment in cooperation with corresponding groups of British and Canadian financial and business representatives.18

In December 1949, the Council and the President's Committee met in joint session and considered in detail the relationship of investment treaties to the development of a favorable climate for private investment, the sphere of private capital investment in relation to government capital, the formation of foreign banking committees to facilitate private foreign overseas investment, the experience of ECA in the field of technical assistance, and various aspects of the Export-Import Bank's proposed investment guaranty program for stimulating private investment.

The Council and the President's Committee both believed that a case study of private foreign investment experience in recent years might be helpful in determining appropriate incentives for private investment. The Committee agreed to under-

take such a case study.

OTHER FINANCIAL PROBLEMS

Aid to Palestine refugees. In December 1949,

¹¹ Under the Foreign Economic Assistance Act of 1950 (Public Law 535, 81st Cong., 2d sess.), the Congress authorized 35 million dollars for United States participation in technical cooperation programs, including those carried on by the United Nations.

12 During the second session of the Eighty-first Congress,

a revised House bill was reported out favorably and placed

on the calendar for consideration during July 1950.

18 On Apr. 20, 1950, the Canadian Minister of Finance announced the establishment of an Advisory Committee on Private Overseas Investment under the chairmanship of Mr. Gordon R. Ball, General Manager of the Bank of Montreal. The press announcement indicated that the Committee would probably, in the first instance, devote its attention to a study of the obstacles impeding the free flow of investment from Canada to overseas countries and of the steps that might be taken to eliminate or minimize these obstacles.

following a report of the United Nations Economic Survey Mission to the Middle East, the Department of State referred to the Council for its consideration the financial aspects of United States participation in the United Nations program for aid to Palestine refugees. Under this plan, it was proposed that funds be made available for direct relief and works programs in Jordan, Syria, and Lebanon. Erosion control, reforestation, dam, and road construction would be the main types of work undertaken. This area is generally self-supporting and thus only a small portion of the funds would be required for food.

The United Nations Mission estimated that the total cost of the program would amount to approximately 55 million dollars for the period January 1, 1950, to June 30, 1951. The Council advised the Department of State that it had no objection to an appropriation request of about 27.5 million dollars as the United States contribution for aid to Palestine refugees during this period, and the view was expressed that such assistance might be extended on a grant basis. An appropriation request for this program was later submitted to the Congress.14

Philippine exchange controls. In response to a request of the Philippine Government the President, with the advice of the National Advisory Council, agreed in December 1949 to temporary measures by the Philippine Government to deal with the then existing foreign exchange situation. The President acted in accordance with the provisions of the Executive Agreement of July 4, 1946, between the Governments of the Philippines and the United States. The Philippine Government on December 9, 1949, instituted controls over transactions in foreign exchange.

Proposed International Commodity Clearing House. During November 1949, the Council reviewed a proposal, contained in a report of the Food and Agricultural Organization of the United Nations, for the establishment of an International Com-modity Clearing House. This institution was to be chartered initially for a period of five years during which time it would engage in two types of surplus disposal operations:

(1) Surplus commodities would be purchased at commercial prices from hard currency countries and resold also at commercial prices to soft currency countries. The latter would make payment in their own currencies to the Clearing House which would hold each soft currency to the ac-

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¹⁴ The Foreign Economic Assistance Act of 1950 authorized the Secretary of State to make contributions before July 1, 1951, for the "United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East," in amounts not exceeding in the aggregate \$27,450,000.

count of the selling country until it became convertible or until such time as some appropriate use might be found for it by the creditor country.

(2) Surplus commodities would be purchased by the Clearing House from hard currency countries at less than market prices and resold abroad at the reduced price for such special purposes as relief and school lunch programs. Such purchases and sales would be made only for hard currencies and would be on account of the general fund of the Clearing House.

The proposal contemplated that the Clearing House would have an authorized capital equivalent to 5 billion dollars, with membership quotas assessed on the basis of national income, and that subscriptions of 20 per cent of this amount would be used as a revolving fund to finance the transactions involving purchases and sales for hard currencies. The remaining 80 per cent of quotas would be callable only with the consent of the countries involved.

The Council did not favor United States participation in an international organization, such as the proposed International Commodity Clearing House, which was designed to serve as a financial mechanism for the disposal of agricultural surplus commodities. The Council also held that the sale of surpluses abroad for inconvertible currencies under the proposed plan would be undesirable since it would result in further accumulation of such cur-

rencies for the account of the United States or other hard currency countries. The accumulation of additional inconvertible currency holdings by hard currency countries would correspondingly increase the liabilities of the deficit countries and so constitute a serious deterrent to the establishment of convertibility.

At the FAO Conference, Fifth Session, November 21-December 6, 1949, food deficit as well as food surplus countries opposed the proposal as not workable. The Conference established machinery to continue study of the problem of surplus agricultural commodities.

Financial terms for sales of foreign excess property. The Council has from time to time reviewed the financial terms for sales of foreign surplus property by the former Office of the Foreign Liquidation Commissioner, State Department. When the OFLC was abolished on June 30, 1949, the function of disposal of foreign excess property was transferred, effective as of that date, to each executive agency having such property. Council authorized the successor departments and agencies of OFLC operating in this field, pursuant to Public Law 152 (81st Cong., 1st sess.) to extend credit on terms similar to those contained in agreements negotiated by the OFLC, when immediate payment in United States dollars is not practicable or advantageous, and, in certain cases, to accept payment in foreign currencies.

IV. ACTIVITIES RELATING TO THE INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND AND THE INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT

The National Advisory Council, in accordance with statutory authority, continued to coordinate the activities of the United States Directors on the Executive Boards of the Fund and the Bank with those of other agencies of the Government, by consulting and advising with them on major problems arising in the administration of the Fund and the Bank. The United States Executive Directors of these institutions, or their Alternates, have attended the Council's meetings regularly, and have participated continuously in the work of its Staff Committee.

In the six-month period under review, the Council gave consideration to various policy questions relating to the activities of both the Fund and the Bank. These questions have been discussed in the Second Special Report of the National Advisory Council on the Operations and Policies of the International Monetary Fund and the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (H. Doc. No. 611, 81st Cong., 2d sess.).¹⁵

Membership Changes in the Fund and the Bank

In January 1950, the Boards of Governors of the Fund and the Bank, by mail and telegraph ballot, approved the membership application of Pakistan, providing for a quota in the Fund of 100 million dollars, with a like amount as a subscription to the Bank. The Council advised the United States Executive Directors on the Fund and the Bank to give favorable consideration to the application. Pakistan will have until July 31, 1950, to accept membership, although this period may be extended to January 31, 1951. During the period under review, no new countries were formally admitted to membership in either the Fund or the Bank.

On March 15, 1950, the Fund and Bank announced the withdrawal of Poland from the two organizations. As of March 31, 1950, 47 countries were officially listed as members of the Fund and of the Bank.

ORGANIZATIONAL CHANGES

On January 17, 1950, the President of the United

¹⁵ For text of this report, see Federal Reserve Bulletin for June 1950, pp. 661-77.

States, with the advice and consent of the United States Senate, made three appointments affecting United States representation on the Fund and on the Bank. Mr. James E. Webb, Under Secretary of State, was appointed to serve also as United States Alternate Governor of the Fund and of the Bank; Mr. William McChesney Martin, Jr., Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, was appointed to serve also as United States Executive Director of the Bank; and Mr. John S. Hooker, United States Alternate Executive Director of the Bank, was reappointed to that position, concurrently assuming the duties of United States Alternate Executive Director of the Fund. Each of these three appointments became effective on January 18, 1950. Mr. Webb replaced Mr. William L. Clayton, whose resignation had become effective on August 27, 1949. Mr. Martin's appointment was to the position formerly held by Mr. Eugene R. Black, who assumed the Presidency of the Bank on July 1, 1949. As United States Alternate Executive Director of the Fund, Mr. Hooker replaced Mr. Henry J. Tasca, whose resignation became effective December 22, 1949.

THE FUND

During the six months ending March 31, 1950, the Fund sold 48,800,000 United States dollars to four of its member countries for an equivalent amount in local currencies. These transactions increased the total of Fund currency sales to an equivalent of \$783,385,000 from May 8, 1947 (the date of the Fund's initial sale), to March 31, 1950. Repurchases by member countries of their currencies aggregated nearly \$21,900,000 in the current six-month period.

Par values and exchange rates. The six months from October 1, 1949, to March 31, 1950, witnessed an adjustment by many nations throughout the world of their currency values, principally as a consequence of the devaluations that occurred in September 1949. Some of these adjustments constituted formal changes in par values (Iceland, British Honduras), while most of them consisted of changes in existing multiple exchange rate structures. Included in this latter category are Austria, Bolivia, Chile, Costa Rica, Ecuador, Nicaragua, Paraguay, and Uruguary, all of which are members of the Fund; as well as Argentina and Spain, which are nonmembers. On November 15, 1949, Peru suspended the par value of the sol, permitting the exchange rate to be determined in an exchange certificate market. Details of the currency adjustments made by the various countries listed above may be found in chapter II of the Council's Second Special Report.

Exchange transactions. The Fund's largest currency sale in the period under review occurred in November 1949, when Brazil purchased 22.5 million United States dollars for cruzeiros. This transaction represented Brazil's second drawing on the Fund. In October 1949, Australia made its initial drawing on the Fund through a purchase of 20 million dollars for Australian pounds. During that same month, Yugoslavia bought 6 million dollars in exchange for dinars, and Ethiopia purchased \$300,000 for Ethiopian dollars. Each of the latter two transactions represented a second drawing by the respective governments.

The United States Executive Director on the Fund, after consultation with the Council, concurred in these transactions.

Table X presents—by semiannual periods—all currency sales made by the Fund from its inception to March 31, 1950.

Repurchase of Fund drawings. During the period covered by this report, two countries—Costa Rica and Belgium—repurchased portions of their currencies from the Fund. In November 1949, Costa Rica repurchased the equivalent of \$1,250,000 of its own currency held by the Fund, thereby offsetting dollar drawings in the same amount made in the last quarter of 1948. This is the second repurchase transaction by Costa Rica, the earlier transaction, in the amount of \$874,000, having been effected in May 1949.

On January 23, 1950, Belgium repurchased approximately one billion Belgian francs from the Fund, by payment of \$12,090,283 in U. S. dollars and the equivalent of \$8,548,923 in gold. An earlier repurchase of Belgian francs in the amount of \$946,500 occurred in August 1949. As a result of these two transactions, the Fund's holdings of Belgian francs were reduced to the level preceding Belgium's initial purchase of dollars from the Fund in December 1947.

THE BANK

During the period under review, the International Bank granted \$17,545,000 in new loans to three of its member countries. These loans increased the total of the Bank's outstanding commitments to \$737,707,000 as of March 31, 1950. During the period, the Bank concurred in requests for the cancellation of portions of loans previously granted to two of its member countries. These cancellations totalled \$6,438,000.

New loan commitments. On October 17, 1949, the Bank granted two loans totalling 5 million dollars to the Republic of Finland and to the Federal People's Republic of Yugoslavia for the development of the timber resources of those countries.

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TABLE X International Monetary Fund Currency Sales, January 1, 1947-March 31, 1950 1 [In millions of dollars]

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Country	ry Total 1947		47	7 1948			1949	
Country	Total	JanJune	July-Dec.	JanJune	July-Dec.	JanJune	July-Dec.	
Total	. 783.4	62.0	405.7	163.5	50.7	49.7	51.8	
United Kingdom. France. India Netherlands.	125.0	50.0	240.0 75.0 40.0	60.0 44.1 3 23.3	24.2	31.7		
BrazilBelgium	. 33.0		11.0 22.5	22.0		15.0		
All other 4 Australia. Norway. Denmark.	20.0			14.1 5 7.3 6.8	26.5 6 8.4	3.0	29.3 20.0	
Union of South Africa	10.0				10.0			
Yugoslavia Chile Czechoslovakia Turkey	8.8		8.8		6.0			
Egypt Costa Rica. Ethiopia Nicaragua.	1.3				1.3 0.3 0.5	3.0	0.3	

Note.—Except where otherwise indicated, all sales were of U. S. dollars in exchange for the currency of the purchasing country. Repurchases by members of their own currencies totalled about \$24,209,000 as of Mar. 31, 1950. Such repurchases have not been deducted from data in this table.

Source: Internationa 1 Monetary Fund.

The loan to Finland was in the amount of 2.3 million dollars, while the loan to Yugoslavia amounted to 2.7 million.

Both loans are for terms of two years and carry interest rates of 2 per cent, plus the usual 1 per cent commission for the Bank's special reserve. In addition, a commitment charge of 11/2 per cent will apply to the undisbursed portion of the loans. Amortization payments, beginning on June 30, 1950, are calculated to retire the loans at maturity. The loan to Finland became effective on December 16, 1949, and the loan to Yugoslavia on January 24, 1950, after certain conditions had been fulfilled.

On December 14, 1949, the Bank announced that it was prepared to extend a loan of \$12,545,000 to the Rio Lempa Hydroelectric Commission, an agency of the Government of El Salvador, for the purpose of financing imports for the development of electric power resources. This loan, the first to be made by the Bank in the Central American area, is to be guaranteed by the Government of El Salvador. The loan is to be for a term of 25 years and to carry an interest rate of 31/4 per cent, in addition to a commission charge of 1 per cent for the Bank's special reserve. Amortization payments, to begin on July 15, 1954, are calculated to effect retirement by maturity. In addition to the foreign exchange costs which the International Bank expects to finance, the power development project would require an expenditure of an equivalent of about 5 million dollars in Salvadorean colones. These local currency costs would be financed by the public sale in El Salvador of bonds denominated in colones, to be issued by the Commission. To become effective, the loan agreement must be ratified by an elected Constituent or Legislative Assembly in El Salvador. As of March 31, 1950, such action had not yet been taken.

The Council was consulted by the United States Executive Director or his Alternate with respect to each of the above loan applications.

Table XI presents—by semiannual periods—loan commitments (net of cancellations) made by the International Bank from its inception to March 31, 1950, of outstanding loans at the termination of any given semiannual period:

Loan cancellations. The Bank's first loan cancellations occurred during the six months under

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¹ No currency sales were made by the Fund between Dec. 31, 1949, and Mar. 31, 1950.

² Includes \$6,045,000 of pounds sterling.

³ Includes \$6,845,029 of Belgian francs.

⁴ As presented in Chart 4 [omitted here].

⁵ Includes \$2,286,676 of Belgian francs.

⁶ Consists of \$6,126,788 in U. S. dollars sold for an equivalent in gold, and \$2,281,676 of Belgian francs.

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TABLE XI International Bank Loan Commitments, January 1, 1947-March 31, 1950 1 [In millions of dollars]

Country	Total	1947		1948		1949	
		JanJune	July-Dec.	JanJune	July-Dec.	JanJune	July-Dec.
Total	737.7	250.0	246.8	16.0	12.0	125.1	87.8
France	250.0 215.8 75.0	250.0			12.0	75.0	28.8
India Denmark. Mexico	44.0 40.0 34.1		40.0			34.1	
All other ⁸	78.8 16.0 16.0					16.0 16.0	35.0
Finland El Salvador	14.8 12.5						14.8 412.5
LuxembourgColombiaYugoslavia	11.8 5.0 2.7						5.0 2.7

Note.—In all instances, loans have been made to or guaranteed by the respective governments.

Source: International Bank for Reconstruction and Development.

review, and consisted of a reduction of 6.2 million dollars in the principal amount of 15.0 million originally made available to the Herstelbank on July 26, 1949, and a \$238,017 reduction in the 12.0 million dollar commitment made by the Bank to Luxembourg on August 28, 1947.

Bank financing. In June 1949, the Congress enacted legislation classifying securities issued or guaranteed by the International Bank as exempted securities under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. The Council supported this Subsequently, the Federal Reserve legislation. Board stated that, as a result of this enactment, International Bank securities should be classified as exempted securities under Section 2(e) of Regulation T, thus placing such securities in the same category under the regulation, as United States Government, State and municipal bonds. October 24, 1949, following the Board's ruling, the New York Stock Exchange announced greatly reduced margin requirements for transactions in International Bank bonds.

On January 25, 1950, the Bank, with the consent of the Council, sold in the United States market an issue of 100 million dollars of 2 per cent serial bonds, scheduled to mature in equal amounts annually between 1953 and 1962. These securities were issued to retire a like amount of outstanding 10-year 2½ per cent bonds due July 15, 1957. On March 6, 1950, the Bank announced the sale of an equivalent of approximately 6.6 million dollars in 21/2 per cent Swiss franc bonds to a group of leading banks in Switzerland. Additional information concerning each of these transactions may be found in the Council's Second Special Report.

Future operations. As of March 31, 1950, the Bank had in excess of 320 million dollars in uncommitted dollar funds available for lending, and was actively engaged in the processing of numerous loan applications. The Bank may also be expected to continue, through its economic missions, to assist countries in making general surveys of development potentialities and to recommend measures to facilitate their realization.

No loan commitments were made by the Bank between Dec. 31, 1949 and Mar. 31, 1950.
 After cancellation of 6.2 million dollars, effective Mar. 17, 1950.
 As presented in Chart 5 [omitted here].
 Agreement becomes effective after the Bank has received certain certificates and documents, and has notified the borrower and guarantor of its acceptance of such evidence.
 After cancellation of \$238,017, effective Dec. 19, 1949.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BANK FOR INTERNATIONAL SETTLEMENTS

The Twentieth Annual Report of the Bank for International Settlements, covering the year ending March 31, 1950, was submitted to the annual general meeting at Basle on June 12, 1950, by the General Manager, M. Roger Auboin. Selections from the report, presenting the subjects of wider general interest, are given herewith.

THE SIGNIFICANCE OF MOUNTING PRODUCTION

Five years have now elapsed since the war came to an end. In retrospect, it is apparent that, politically, the high hopes which were summed up in the notion of "one world" have not been fulfilled. But, despite much political anxiety, economic recovery has in general been achieved on a more substantial scale than seemed possible after the convulsions and destruction brought about by the second world war-hostilities being this time really world-wide and not, as in 1914-1918, mainly on European soil. It is calculated that for the world as a whole the volume of industrial production at the end of 1949 was perhaps 35 per cent above the prewar level, while in the United States it had increased by fully 70 per cent. In western Europe the volume of industrial production at the time of writing (in the spring of 1950) seems to be not less than 15 per cent above the 1935-38 level; and, with the exception of Greece, where recovery has been retarded by internal strife, and of western Germany, where output began really to increase only after the monetary reform in the summer of 1948, every western European country's production is higher than before the war. The five years 1945-50 will undoubtedly stand out in history as a period of remarkable constructive achievement not only in the economic sphere but also in the social conditions within a great number of countries.

Such outstanding results could not have been attained without great efforts on the part of peoples still often weary from their wartime exertions; another very important contributory factor was the provision of aid through international cooperation at certain critical stages.

Industrial production in western Europe seems in the spring of 1950 to have been not less than 15 per cent above the 1935-38 level. This is, of course, an average—account being taken of the fact that in some countries, and among them Western Germany, only the prewar volume of production had as yet been reached; but in quite a number of countries, including the United Kingdom, France, the Nether-

lands, Denmark, Norway, Sweden, Finland, and Ireland, indexes of industrial production registered increases of 25 per cent or more above the prewar volume. If that is the case—and the statistical evidence cannot in general be doubted—the question may fairly be asked why these balance-of-payments and other difficulties still affect most of the western European countries and why, for instance, goods cannot be made more fully available for export, to fill the gap on the foreign account so that not so much outside aid is needed. There is no simple answer to these questions; a number of different circumstances must be taken into account, some of a more statistical nature, but most of very real importance for the economies concerned.

Before these various circumstances are examined in greater detail, they may be summarised as follows:

- (i) industrial production has generally risen more than the output of other activities (agriculture, services, etc.) and it is a fact that the increase in the total national income has not kept pace with the increase in population;
- (ii) owing to the damage suffered during the war and to the fact that upkeep was neglected for many years both during and after the war, an increased proportion of the available resources is still required for repair and reconstruction;
- (iii) appropriations for defence are now absorbing more resources than, for example, after the first world war;
- (iv) the pattern of trade has been disarranged, e.g. in the relations between the east and west of

Note.—The passages reprinted herewith constitute about one-fifth of the main text of the report; all but three of eleven chapters are represented. Parts omitted are Chapter I (which reviews the activities of the Bank since its establishment), Chapter V dealing with world trade, and Chapter X dealing with current activities of the Bank. The complete report contains numerous tables and charts, as well as the texts of several agreements adopted in 1949 and 1950 for intra-European payments and compensations, together with related tables.

Selections from the Bank's First Annual Report were published in the Federal Reserve Bulletin for July 1931 and the series was continued through the Twelfth Report—see Bulletin for January 1943, pp. 15-41. A reprint of brief sections of the Thirteenth Report was issued in pamphlet form by the Board of Governors in November 1944. For selections from the Fourteenth, Seventeenth, Eighteenth, and Nineteenth Annual Reports, see Bulletin for September 1945, pp. 874-901, October 1947, pp. 1228-50, October 1948, pp. 1221-39, and August 1949, pp. 912-34, respectively.

Europe and also as regards the triangular trade via the southeastern part of Asia;

(v) disturbing influences have affected the monetary system, and other forms of disorganisation have been left behind by the war.

The cumulative effect of these various circumstances is considerable, as may be gathered from an analysis of each particular item.

Europe's chance to reconsolidate its own economic position, with a satisfactory standard of living for its growing population, depends essentially on the extent to which the various European countries can develop their trade with overseas producers of all the goods that Europe needs.

For a number of reasons, European countries must make serious efforts "to integrate" (to use the latest expression for a long-felt need); and in order to work more closely together they must get rid of the whole brushwood of quantitative restrictions and prohibitions which grew up during the war (and, to some extent, was sprouting already in the thirties) and also allow payments for all current and normal capital transactions to be made freely. Further, in their tariff policy they must pay increasing attention to the avoidance of uneconomic production and, with this in view, they must allow for ign competition to make itself more strongly felt on their respective markets.

Liberalisation of trade within Europe is, indeed, called for, and should be pushed forward with persistence and daring. But progress in this field ought not to mean that Europe will be thrown back on itself; for any tendency to establish a closed area would be worse than a mistake, and any goal short of a return to all-round convertibility in gold and dollars, which of course automatically brings with it full and immediate transferability of the European currencies inter se, would represent the acceptance of an unmistakable setback in comparison with the situation between the two wars-not to speak of the period before 1914. There is, fortunately, general agreement regarding the goal of convertibility; and if, in some connections, less farreaching solutions have been contemplated-e.g. mere transferability inside Europe—these have been recognised as a makeshift acceptable only as a temporary measure so long as the ideal goal seemed out of reach in the immediate future.

The problems of freeing trade and restoring convertibility of currencies constitute an important part—but only a part—of the general problem of overcoming the disorganisation brought about by the war. More than the physical damage or the loss of invisible income, the unsettling effect of disorganisation has to be regarded as the most pernicious

consequence of the war. The modern economic system has depended for its satisfactory working on an intricate and largely (but by no means wholly) self-regulating mechanism of price movements, of supply and demand in the money and capital markets, etc. and, once this mechanism is impaired in any essential part, it is not easily put right. War economy is wasteful economy—and, when it comes to restoring prosperity and well-being, less crude methods have to be used than those suddenly seized upon in the war emergency. "Control" almost necessarily has to take as a starting-point some situation in the past (the production turnover or imports of a particular item in, for example, the prewar year 1938) and it thus tends to become an enemy to flexibility and progress. For that and other reasons, countries cannot go on using the wartime controls but need to develop a peacetime order which will enable their economies to progress under conditions representing a sufficient degree of balance internally and on foreign account.

Restoration of a balanced system is not easy, however: in the twenties, after the first world war, an attempt was made (which, at the time, was even expected to ensure "prosperity forever") but it failed because too many questions—including the proper adjustment of reparations and other indebtedness of Europe and the adaptation of the United States balance of payments to the requirements of a creditor position—had been left unsolved; and when questions of such importance are left in abeyance they have a nasty habit of returning and hitting one hard in the face, as indeed happened in the great depression from 1930 to 1934.

To what extent progress has been made in the balancing of budgets and the restoration of monetary systems, as steps towards overcoming the wartime disorganisation, will be considered in the next chapter of this Report. Before that it may be well, however, to make it clear that an increase in production—although certainly useful and, indeed, necessary for an improvement in the standard of living—is not in itself sufficient for the attainment of a balanced position.

(i) It would, in the first place, be a mistake to suppose that an increase in production will necessarily mitigate inflation or even improve the balance-of-payments position. As long as the credit system is characterised by a very high degree of liquidity, which has been the case in these postwar years, money incomes are likely to rise at the same rate as production and in that way an amount of spending power will be engendered sufficient to absorb the increased supply of goods. If then, pari

passu with the rise in wages and profits, the public increases its consumption, there will be no increase of saving to restore equilibrium between savings and investment and to fill a hole in the balance of payments. A balancing effect will be produced only if the proceeds of voluntary saving and the yield of taxes together rise to a greater extent than the volume of investment and of government expenditure. Should the increase in production be used mainly to bolster up investments and government spending, without leading to any increase in saving, the situation will become more inflationary, not less. And increased taxation will not be a remedy if the public pays its taxes simply by cutting down savings.

(ii) Secondly, as long as an extreme form of the sellers' market existed, it did not matter much what was produced. In such a case, once the exceptional phase is over, simply to increase production will not be enough: it will be necessary to ensure that the right thing is produced at the right price to permit competitive sales in the right market. Otherwise the full value will not be obtained from the productive efforts; on the contrary, a definite loss will be suffered.

Thus, before the effect of an increase in a country's production can be judged, it is necessary to know what is happening in the economy with regard to savings, the volume of investment, government expenditure and taxation and also what account is taken of market conditions abroad. It is only when sufficient balance has been restored in the financial field, as part of the postwar reorganisation, that the full benefit can be obtained from the production effort inside each separate economy and in the balance-of-payments relations between the different countries.

RETURN TO A BALANCED SYSTEM

The theory and practice of economics are both concerned with questions of balance. For a smooth working of the economic system there are certain conditions which must be fulfilled including the realisation of a proper balance between:

- (i) government revenue and expenditure;
- (ii) savings and investments;
- (iii) costs and prices; as well as
- (iv) receipts and payments on foreign account (i.e. in the balance of payments).

This list is not exhaustive. It is not enough for budget expenditure to be covered by corresponding budget revenue; the level at which equilibrium is reached must not be too high in relation to the national income—which simply means that the fiscal burden must not be so heavy that enterprise is thwarted and the flow of savings dries up. An adequate adjustment must further be ensured between the current increase in production (taken in its widest sense) and the simultaneous increase in means of payment. But, if equilibrium has been established in the four instances indicated above, it is highly probable that the remaining conditions for a balanced economy will likewise be found to have been fulfilled. These are not conditions peculiar to a "competitive market system"; they apply to planned economies as well. Management, which is to some extent required under any system, should never mean just arbitrary intervention but must include the attainment of a certain harmony between government revenue and expenditure, costs and prices, etc.

In most cases an advance has been made towards a state of balance between government revenue and expenditure.

It is difficult to generalise in matters of public finance, for the significance of such terms as current and capital accounts, ordinary and extraordinary budgets, varies considerably from country to country. In each individual country, however, it is possible to discover the trend by examining the figures from year to year, and it is evident from such a comparison that a significant improvement in the budget position has taken place all over Europe; for, even if the level of expenditure is often still too high, it has generally become possible to do away with inflationary methods of covering the remaining budgetary deficit. Part of the progress has consisted in the establishment of a better order from a technical point of view, in that expenditure of the kind previously entered on special Treasury accounts (a practice only too common during and after the war) has, in most cases, now been incorporated in the general budget.

It is possible to distinguish a variety of methods which have been employed for the purpose of putting an end to inflationary financing.

In most countries relatively great stability has characterised the general price level in the years 1948-50, as compared with the movements in the preceding years, and this, coupled with the maintenance of active business, ensuring a high level of employment and sustained earnings, has meant that unpleasant surprises have been avoided in the field of public finance, the actual results achieved during recent budget years corresponding fairly closely to, or being even better than, the various estimates. Hardly anywhere has it still been necessary to resort to inflationary financing for the purpose of covering budget deficits. This, however, is not the only criterion by which the soundness of a coun-

try's public finances may be judged: it is, indeed, imperative that the budget in its widest sense (including all public charges) should be balanced at a level which does not put too heavy a burden on the economy and, in particular, does not

- (i) dangerously diminish incentives or the propensity to take risks,
- (ii) dangerously impair the flow of private savings.

In either of these eventualities, enterprise would suffer and, with it, the volume of production and the standard of living.

That heavy "marginal" taxation may keep people from making extra efforts is generally appreciated, and proposals are being worked out in many countries to reduce as far as possible the danger of such damaging effects and also to allow fiscal facilities in the case of special risks, e.g. in connection with exports and foreign investments. But little can be done to achieve any radical improvement as long as the over-all burden is very heavy; for sufficient revenue must, of course, be collected for expenditure to be covered and, if expenditure is large, complete avoidance of all forms of taxation with definitely harmful effects is clearly impossible.

As regards the effect of the budget policy on savings, certain distinctions should be made. On the one hand, the aim may be to secure a temporary budget surplus as part of a compensatory fiscal policy, i.e. a policy adopted in times of great prosperity in order to mitigate the exaggerations of a boom; or there may be an attempt to form savings by means of a budget surplus in order to provide a part of the capital regularly required for normal investments in the economy. If, in the former case, taxation has the effect of retarding an expansion of business, this is just what is desired; and when the boom subsides the tax rates should be lowered.

In the second case, however, the more general question arises whether, bon an mal an, the running of a budget surplus can effectually add to the volume of savings in a country. Very likely this question cannot be answered in abstracto: much depends upon the level of total charges, since a given increase in the revenue collected may not reduce the rate of saving as much in a country with a low level of taxation as in a country where the tax burden is already very heavy. Unfortunately, since the second world war, taxation has been high almost everywhere, so the problems here involved usually present themselves under the worst possible conditions. The dilemma is that the attainment of a budget surplus generally necessitates such high rates of taxation that the public may reduce its own rate of saving and that, owing to the unfavourable effects of high taxation on incentive, the final result may be a net loss of free resources.

The question of the permissible burden of taxation is being much discussed in the various countries and improved statistical data have been recently collected. One improvement consists in taking account of both central and local taxation and of social security contributions as well, this being especially necessary in international comparisons, since the method of defraying the cost of social security benefits varies considerably from country to country—in particular as regards the proportions respectively charged to the general budget and levied directly on employers and employed.

In judging the true burden of taxation, account must be taken not only of the bare percentage relation to the national income but also of a number of other circumstances. Although difficult to measure, the ratio of taxation to the margin of average income above the subsistence level is clearly of importance, and in a country with a relatively low income per head the subsistence minimum will swallow up a very high proportion of the average income. It is also notoriously difficult to obtain tax payments from farmers—a fact which will make itself felt in Italy, for instance, where 48 per cent of the population are engaged in agriculture and a relatively large proportion of them cultivate very small lots.

In this field there are still many questions awaiting solution—one European country after the other being occupied with problems of "fiscal reform" and of adjusting expenditure to levels at which it is safe to maintain it. In that connection it is not only a question of current revenue and expenditure but also of outlay for investment and how to cover such outlay—a question which has to be considered as part of the general problem of how to make the best of scarce resources in any economy.

In a number of countries the attainment of equilibrium between current savings (as augmented by resources from abroad) and the volume of investments, in order to avoid inflation, did not impress itself on the minds of the authorities as the primary objective, once the war was over, since it seemed to them of the greatest urgency to carry out such immediate tasks as putting transport and other essential services into working order and meeting the minimum capital requirements of industrial and commercial enterprises, even if that meant a somewhat inflationary credit expansion. Another question soon arose: whether, at so early a stage in the postwar reorganisation, an attempt should be made to fill the home market with consumer goods (which would mean, inter alia, using

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part of the country's foreign resources to import such goods) in order to restore the ordinary priceand-cost mechanism with the least possible delay, or whether the available resources should be mainly reserved for investments even if that would mean protracted shortages, the market being kept in check by a continuance of controls (the state of affairs which represents "suppressed inflation"). Switzerland there was no difficulty in answering those questions since the existing resources were sufficient for both purposes (and a careful credit policy precluded excess in either direction) but it is interesting to observe that two countries—Belgium and France-which in many respects have come to follow similar policies in this connection chose different lines: Belgium, even at the risk of holding up the repair of war damage and generally slowing down the rate of investment at the outset, favoured a return to ordinary market conditions in the hope that relative freedom to buy what was desired would act as a stimulus to further efforts and encourage private saving (since money that could be freely used would be worth saving)—expectations which have not, on the whole, been disappointed. In France, on the other hand, ambitious investment programmes were drawn up, and to a large extent carried out, by which much of the country's productive capacity was diverted to the provision of capital goods of a most modern type. This was, of course, a desirable development in itself but the price which had to be paid for it was a curtailment of the potential supply of current goods—with all that this meant in the way of continued inflationary pressure, reinforced by the difficulties of financing the many tasks which had been undertaken. In France, as in other countries pursuing a policy of large investments, it was really the resources contributed by Marshall aid which, financially and otherwise, made it possible, in the difficult year 1947 and afterwards, to go on with what had been started, for monetary and other reserves were then in many instances on the point of exhaustion.

It was, in a way, a sign of optimism and vigour that the European countries were so keen on making good the losses caused by the war and on laying the industrial foundation for increased output and consequently for a higher standard of living. But this eagerness to invest—even with the resources obtained through Marshall aid—could be carried too far. Thanks to more complete collection of basic data and to improved methods of computation, the estimates of the volume of investments and of the national product are generally becoming more and more reliable; but even so, and especially in periods of price fluctuation, they must be regarded as mainly indicative of an order of magnitude.

Countries in western Europe have in recent years had a volume of investment which as a rule has been running at a considerably higher rate than before 1939, and this has been made possible largely by additional resources obtained from abroad.

With Marshall aid tapering off, as foreseen from its inauguration, the individual countries will have to face a situation in which they must increasingly support any extension of their capital structure by their own domestic savings. It is in the realisation of this imperative necessity that several countries have taken steps to reduce their volume of investment, knowing, as they do by now, that an overdose of investment, financed simply by an expansion of credit, will tend to raise prices at home and draw goods away from the export market. Large as the need still is for investments for a variety of purposes—and especially for the construction of dwellings-the obvious course is to look to increased domestic savings to meet the requirements of the situation.

In those countries on the continent of Europe which have passed through periods of pronounced inflation for the second time in one generation, the public has become inclined to place its savings in "real assets" (Sachwerte) instead of keeping them in money form. Since it is not to be expected that memories of heavy losses in the past will quickly fade, there is all the greater need for a policy which can convince careful and provident citizens of the continued integrity of the national currency. It will not be sufficient to bring inflation to a temporary stop merely for the period during which outside aid is being given; budgetary and monetary policies must be such as to hold out the hope of permanence in the improvement, including an adequate accumulation of reserves. There are signs in several countries—but unfortunately not in all—of a change for the better as regards the volume of personal savings and the form taken by them, as well as indications of a revival of the capital markets.

One of the most important aspects of the revival of saving in money form and the renewal of activity on capital markets is that firms which have obtained short-term credits from the banking system, as a matter of pre-financing for such long-term purposes as extension of plant, may be able to "unload" these commitments through capital issues on the market. In so far as short-term credits are repaid from the proceeds of long-term issues on the market, the banks will regain their liquidity and be able to extend fresh accommodation without the risk of adding to the inflationary pressure. The revival of activity in capital markets, being an essential part

of the financial mechanism, is, of course, of importance everywhere, but special interest attaches to such questions in countries where, as in Italy and Germany, an expansion of the volume of credit is being proposed in order to provide increased opportunities of employment for people out of work. In both these countries the unemployment is of a special character and has little or nothing to do with unemployment appearing as the most regrettable feature of the downward phase in the business cycle. In Italy it is a result of the large increase in population, at the annual rate of about 450,000 to 500,000, which adds some 150,000 adults to the country's labour force every year even if emigration takes place, as in recent times, at the annual rate of 175,000; but it must also be remembered that the war has caused a ten years' interruption of emigration. Notwithstanding the constant expansion of the labour force, it has been possible to avoid any increase in the number of unemployed since the beginning of 1947, when, at the peak of the postwar inflation, unemployment stood at the high figure of 2 million. In western Germany it is, of course, essentially a question of "refugees" and "expellees" of whom nearly 9 million have come in since 1945; many of these refugees are elderly people, women or children, but they also include some 3.5 to 4 million people who are "employable." Early in 1950 the unemployed in western Germany totalled 2 million (this figure in itself implies that by then the greater number of the able-bodied refugees had found work—apart from the fact that, as the total figure, it includes unemployed workers already domiciled in western Germany before the war).

But whatever the reasons and circumstances which may be quoted to explain why so large a number of workers are without occupation, it is obviously desirable that they should be able to find useful work; and the question has naturally arisen whether some form of credit expansion would be advisable for the purpose of providing additional employment. The memory of the terrible mass unemployment in the nineteen-thirties is still vivid, and it is also being asked whether measures of a largely monetary character could not be taken to relieve the situation. The war and postwar experience is certainly no recommendation for inflationary methods of financing; but it is suggested that the existence of "unused resources" in the form of unemployed labour might make it possible for credit to be expanded in some measure without causing inflation.

It is now generally recognised that an excessive volume of investment which has to be financed by an inflationary expansion of credit necessarily exerts a distorting influence on the balance in the cost and price structure and hence on the working of the economy in general. It is almost self-evident that there must be a proper relation between costs and prices inside each economy and also vis-à-vis foreign countries. Balance does not mean a state of rigidity; on the contrary, movements of wages and prices are the means by which necessary changes in supply and production as well as in demand are brought about; and this is especially the case now that every vestige of the wartime direction of labour has disappeared from the western world. Questions relating to the freezing of wages and to price control will be examined in the next chapter; here only a few problems of a more general character will be touched upon.

As long as an abundant supply of money is still to be found in a country and its markets remain insulated from external influences by a continuance of trade and exchange controls, it is relatively easy for producers and merchants to obtain higher prices, and in such circumstances it cannot be expected that the business world will put up a strong resistance to demands for increases in wages. But the trouble is that sudden and substantial increases in money wages (of 25 or 30 per cent at a time, as happened, for instance, in France and Austria) cannot be absorbed by existing profit margins and they, therefore, increase the cost of production only to be followed by still higher prices—to the ultimate advantage of nobody except, possibly, a set of speculators.

In 1948 and 1949 in France, as in most other countries in Europe, the nominal increases in money wages have been kept within narrower limits. It has been realised that more moderate increases, which do not necessitate a corresponding rise in prices, are the only ones producing an improvement in real wages, partly because they do not upset the monetary order. Early in 1950 it was, for instance, decided in France to return to a greater measure of free bargaining between employers and employed. This development has been made possible, on the one hand, by the restrictive credit policy and a closer approach to a balanced budget and, on the other hand, by increased imports, reflecting the stronger monetary position and representing one of the results of the trade-liberalisation policy, while at the same time introducing an element of competition which militates against any undue price increases and thus safeguards the consumer. The example of France accordingly shows how the restoration of a better balance internally goes hand in hand with the restoration of greater freedom in foreign trade relations.

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patibility between internal prices and those applicable in foreign trade, or (which comes to the same thing) between the price structures of different countries, and this is the basic idea of the "purchasing-power-parity theory" and, as such, is fundamentally correct. Statistically, it is easy to show that in the past there have been deviations from the "purchasing-power parities" over a period of years; but it is equally or even more interesting to note the fact that when the price levels have had time to "settle down" (as they had done by 1928-29 after the upsets of the first world war, and again by 1938 after the great depression) price relations, as calculated via the rates of exchange, show an unmistakable return to the old relationship. presupposes, of course, that the basic year chosen was a year of equilibrium, which was clearly the case as regards 1913. 1938 is less suitable, since it was a year of depression, with an abnormally small volume of trade on the world markets together with unsettled conditions in several countries on the continent of Europe. It is often preferable to make comparisons with years further back as, for instance, with the years 1928 and 1929.

After the first world war, it took up to the end of the twenties, i.e. fully ten years, for price relations between different countries to become more or less "normal." By the summer of 1949 only four years had passed since the end of hostilities in the second world war; and even a cursory examination of the available price indexes (wholesale prices, cost of living, export and import prices, etc.) would show that in a great number of countries no inner coherence had as yet been established.

To get rid of high uncompetitive prices is surely one of the main conditions for the attainment of adequate equilibrium in a country's balance of payments. At the same time, the experience of recent years has shown that in many cases countries with a relatively moderate rise in prices (as calculated via the prevailing exchange rates) have had larger deficits in their balance of payments than countries with a more pronounced price rise. There is, in general, no mystery as to the explanation: the amount of goods and services which a country can sell abroad depends on the relation between the value of its own output and its total spending for consumption and investment: if the rate of domestic spending is so high that relatively little will be left for export, low prices in themselves do not alter the situation (that is one of the main reasons why the countries which devalued in September 1949 have generally been taking steps to keep down spending through a restraint on increase in incomes, this being one of the means of setting more goods free for export). When a country spends

more on consumption and investment than it produces, the excess does not come out of the blue but appears as a deficit on the current account of the balance of payments. An examination of the tables containing data about the national product and its uses, as given on previous pages for a number of countries, shows how, in actual figures, the deficit on the current account of the balance of payments corresponds to the difference between total expenditure and the total supply of goods and services (whether on a gross or a net accounting). Logic demands that it should be so; and the compilers of the statistics relating to the national product have, in fact, to divide the amount of total supplies received from domestic sources and from abroad between total consumption and total investment.

It is, however, no easy matter, even when surplus funds are available, to re-establish the currents of private international lending in a world so disrupted by political anxiety and labouring so heavily under economic and monetary maladjustments, with additional hindrances often put in the way of private initiative by hampering controls. To some extent the lending markets must be prepared to contemplate new forms of financing, partly in closer contact with their governments, which will no doubt be found anxious to assist, although they must not be expected to guarantee the whole risk involved. The International Bank for Reconstruction and Development is likely to play a greater rôle as Marshall aid diminishes—and the initiative called for by President Truman's Point Four may, indeed, lead to new methods of investment in under-developed areas. It is to be hoped that, whatever methods be adopted for the provision of capital to old or new countries, the amounts will be made available without provisos as to their employment, for only then can there be any chance of multilateral trade's becoming a reality (and not only an aspiration in high-sounding speeches). As reconstruction proceeds, the United States and Switzerland should no longer be the only countries with surplus funds to lend. In the British budget speech of April 18, 1950, the Chancellor of the Exchequer said that the United Kingdom would need to have some surplus in the balance of payments "to assist in Commonwealth and colonial development"-and a surplus available for overseas investment presupposes, of course, that there is in the internal economy a surplus of savings over domestic investments.

But for a real revival of international investment there must be evidence of improved conditions in the countries which would receive the funds. Confidence has to be restored, and this calls for the fulfilment of certain conditions, namely, a minimum

of political stability and positive action to strengthen the monetary position with a view to restoring convertibility. Obviously, these are conditions which the individual countries will strive to fulfil in their own interest. But it should also be remembered that in international lending-especially to governments-appeal cannot be made to any judiciary and executive authorities in case of default and, for that reason, the past record of each country is a matter of great importance. Unless a country deals fairly with foreign investments and, in particular, makes every effort to meet charges in respect of past obligations, it is not likely to restore its credit position in regard to future borrowing. Much patient and constructive work will be needed before international movements of capital can again make a natural contribution to economic progress.

An Approach to More Normal Price Relations

The most conspicuous event in the economic and monetary field during 1949 was the wave of devaluations, which was clearly connected with reductions in reserves and shifts in the currents of trade as a sequel to the business recession in the United States. But, the more closely one examines these various developments, the more one inclines to the conclusion that the "master key" to this whole series of events is to be found in certain important changes in the market prices of raw materials and foodstuffs, reflecting a return to more normal conditions of supply.

So far as prices are concerned, an inflationary rise is not the only consequence of a great war: there is, in addition, a disrupting effect on the general price structure. For some prices rise considerably more, others less, than the average, it being impossible, in the short run, to adjust supplies to sudden changes in demand or to have new lines of production ready to make up for the disappearance of old sources of supply. During the second world war, greater efforts were made than ever before-and with some success—to keep prices down by means of government control, notwithstanding exceptional shortages; it was in the nature of things that the various measures were more effective in regard to goods produced and consumed at home than in regard to commodities of importance in international trade; and it was consequently found that the price indexes rose more steeply for import and export commodities than for domestic commodities. And the fact that the important raw-material-producing areas in the southeastern part of Asia were involved in the second world war meant that a number of commodities were in distinctly short supply, the shortage persisting for several years after the war was over. Consequently, when in the

course of 1946 price control was lifted in the United States, the remaining scarcities were largely reflected in higher prices, affecting markets not only in the United States but in other countries also.

In the early months of 1949, the decline which was taking place in the United States brought American prices below British prices at the current rates of exchange and the discrepancy, which became wider in the course of the spring, was still quite substantial in the autumn. This discrepancy was one of the circumstances leading to the devaluation of the pound and consequently to the other devaluations which in September 1949 opened a new chapter in the postwar history of commodities.

A comparison with what had happened on the commodity markets after the upheaval of exchange values in September 1931 shows, however, that the effects of almost world-wide devaluations vary very considerably according to the general trend of business at the time—what is often called the "world conjuncture." In 1931 the devaluations occurred in the midst of a severe depression, and prices (as expressed in gold value) continued to fall sharply. In 1949, on the other hand, the devaluations coincided with a recovery in the United States and a continuance of favourable business conditions in the great majority of countries-which all helped to sustain the general level of prices. It may be noted in passing that a great number of countries had been relatively unaffected by the recession in the United States. A surprising case is that of Canada, a country in which the situation used to be greatly influenced by changing business conditions in the United States. Recently, Canada has shown a strong dynamic trend of its own, and in 1949 it went on its way, unperturbed by the setback in the United States.

Inevitably, the many devaluations tended at first to reduce the dollar prices for nondollar commodities but, within one month, i.e. by the second half of October, this almost automatic movement had already spent its force. From then onwards the intrinsic position of individual commodities and the strength of the upward business trend entirely neutralised the depressive influences arising from the devaluations. First and foremost, the devaluation decision as such removed one of the considerations which had induced manufacturers and traders in hard-currency countries to refrain as far as possible from replenishing their stocks. Moreover, official stockpiling was continued while unrest in Malaya, Indonesia and some other areas in southeastern Asia gave rise to fears that current supplies of key products such as rubber, tea, cocoa and oilseeds would be adversely affected. Thus, prices

tended to stiffen, the only exceptions being crude oil, the price of which remained unchanged, and tin, lead and lard, the prices of which have eased. The two last mentioned are predominantly dollar commodities; even in terms of dollars, sterling commodities held their position better than the general run of dollar commodities (the opposite—it would seem—of what might have been expected) and it was largely thanks to this that the terms of trade for the raw-material-producing countries of the sterling area were as good as, or even more favourable than, those they had enjoyed before the devaluation.

The upheaval in the price structure as a result of the war affected various countries in very different ways according to the extent to which their export prices rose in comparison with their import prices or, in other words, according to the changes in their terms of trade. Most western European countries are predominantly importers of primary products and exporters of manufactured goods; and the terms of trade in the thirties, and especially in a year of rather acute depression such as 1938—with relatively low raw-material prices owing mainly to weak American demand—were distinctly favourable to the industrialised countries in Europe (cf. the table on page 110 of the nineteenth Annual Report, giving the terms of trade for the United Kingdom back to 1913).

1947 and 1948 were abnormal years, in which prices of most raw materials and foodstuffs were extremely high and only a few European countries (Switzerland being one of them) could charge correspondingly increased prices for their exports. The fall in the prices of primary products, which began in 1948 and gathered speed in the first half of 1949, was therefore very much to the advantage of the European countries (although the adjustment in itself caused certain difficulties, culminating in the situation which lèd to the changes in currency values).

The devaluations, as was to be expected, largely reversed the favourable development of the terms of trade for the importing countries in Europe, especially since, among primary products, even sterling commodities rose so sharply that in terms of dollars they became almost as dear as before. In the United Kingdom itself, at the time of writing (in the spring of 1950), it would take 10 per cent more exports to buy the same amount of imports as in August 1949. Denmark has, for the time being, suffered an even greater reverse. Italy, having devalued by only 8 per cent, seems to have been almost unaffected as far as its terms of trade are concerned, while Switzerland (having retained the value of its franc) has benefited by somewhat

more favourable import prices. As to the use of such words as "benefit" and "favourable," there is one proviso to be made: a number of foreign countries, upon receiving somewhat smaller amounts in Swiss francs for their products, were not able to buy Swiss goods on the same scale as before. In this connection, it is pertinent to remember that the low prices of primary products during the depression in the thirties proved to be no unmixed blessing for the industrialised countries in Europe, since such countries found their exports seriously reduced. On the other hand, in 1928, when the terms of trade were not precisely favourable to the United Kingdom, the balance of payments of that country showed a surplus on current account, and it was thus, in this respect, better off than in the years of depression in the thirties. To obtain terms which clearly put its partner in an uneconomic position does not seem to profit any country; since trade is a mutual affair, it naturally prospers best when the primary producers as well as the manufacturing nations are able to cover their costs, and this seems generally to be the case when no violent fluctuations are occurring in prices or business activity.

The year 1948 had already seen a general narrowing of the price changes in Europe, and 1949, on the whole, presented the same characteristic.

A YEAR OF SWEEPING CHANGES IN FOREIGN EXCHANGE RATES

Since the gold standard, with its remarkable combination of unlimited freedom of transfers and stable exchange rates, was first established in the course of the nineteenth century, there have been only two years in which adjustments of foreign exchange rates have been so sweeping that the expression "wave of devaluations" has been justified. These years were 1931 and 1949. From a monetary point of view there were two outstanding characteristics common to both years:

(i) In the first place, they were not war years but fell within periods of postwar economic and financial reconstruction. It was generally believed in 1928-29 that the world had then succeeded in settling down again to a more or less calm period of progress in production and trade. This belief, however, proved to be an illusion: too many questions had been left unsolved for genuine balance to have been restored. About conditions in 1949 there was less illusion: the postwar adjustments had clearly not yet been completed; in itself, however, 1949 was not mainly a year of disturbances but one in which very real improvement was shown in a num-

ber of fields, and in that way it was a better year than 1931.

(ii) In the second place, the impulse to the wave of devaluations came, in both cases, from an alteration in the exchange value of sterling. Although a considerable number of depreciations and other modifications in foreign exchange rates had occurred in the inter-war period and again in the years after the second world war, it was not until sterling was affected that a stream of currency changes was released. About 36 per cent of all international trade is still financed in sterling. In itself this sensitiveness to changes in the value of sterling may be taken as proof of the central position that the British currency has held in the building-up and working of the gold-standard system, which, despite all modifications in goldmarket practices, etc., has not been really superseded as far as its main institutions and methods of financing are concerned. Gold is being accepted in exchange for national currencies, and, indeed, is much sought after by the many countries which have to replenish their monetary reserves.

Devaluation is bound to produce a shock, and when, in addition, it was found that sterling and a number of other currencies, although devalued by 30.5 per cent, continued to be quoted at a sizable discount in the markets for notes and for sterling on transferable accounts, people not unnaturally began to fear that the devaluation had been a failure, that nothing had been really settled, and that years of depression might ensue, as had been the case after 1931. But by the beginning of 1950 a spirit of greater optimism had begun to make itself felt.

It has been recalled that the upturn in the United States business trend had already begun in the summer of 1949, i.e. well before the devaluations in September. Thus, there is every reason to think that an increased American demand for raw materials would have set in during the autumn even if there had been no devaluation. Similarly, an upturn in intra-European trade would most certainly have resulted from the liberalisation policy, irrespective of the devaluations. A recognition of these connections does not, of course, imply that the rectification in price relations which the devaluations helped to bring about vis-à-vis the dollar area has been of no importance; and it also counts for something that a widely expected adjustment is now over and done with. But it would be palpably false reasoning to give the devaluations the sole -or even perhaps the main-credit for all the improvement which has taken place.

Moreover, in judging the state of affairs in west-

ern Europe, it must not be forgotten that Marshall aid is still being received and supplementing inadequate domestic savings. Progress is being made in restoring the monetary mechanism and establishing a better balance in economic life, but there are still many troublesome problems. One is how to obtain a sufficiency of domestic savings in the individual countries; and here, even if national resources have been increased by higher production, it is, as a rule, still necessary to reduce excessive expenditure-in particular on the part of the governments-weighing too heavily on the individual economies. Another is how to strengthen monetary reserves in order to provide a margin of safety against hazardous developments; in many respects, this question is bound up with the previous one, but it has its own peculiar aspects as well, as may be seen from an analysis of the supply and movements of gold-still the main component in monetary reserves.

PRODUCTION AND MOVEMENTS OF GOLD

1949 will remain a memorable year in the history of gold. New tendencies made themselves felt: the distribution of newly-mined gold was more even than in the previous year and there was a striking fall in the prices paid for gold on free and black markets—reflecting in the main a growing confidence in national currencies.

1. The output of gold in countries which regularly published figures of production rose from the equivalent of 790 million dollars in 1948 to 820 million in 1949 or by 3–4 per cent. No information has become available with regard to gold production in the U.S.S.R. or the gold reserves accumulated in that country.

The known output of gold is still some 30 per cent below what it was in the peak year 1940. No common trend can at present be discerned: in some countries government subsidies of various kinds and (recently) devaluations have given at least a temporary stimulus, while wartime and postwar increases in costs continue to depress gold production elsewhere.

2. There is a significant change in the distribution of gold: for the first time since 1945 the United States has not absorbed the whole current output. True, it added 164 million dollars to its gold reserves—which was more than any other country; but this was only one-fifth of the reported output and other countries were able to add 250 million dollars to their reported reserves. The only important net loser of gold in 1949 was the United Kingdom, and the whole loss was regained in the first quarter of 1950. A considerable number of countries added to their gold reserves in 1949, including

Italy, Switzerland, Canada, Belgium, Venezuela, the Netherlands, Uruguay and Cuba. There were also some substantial additions to unreported gold reserves (without allowing for the wholly unknown changes in the U.S.S.R. holdings).

3. The increase in the reported reserves corresponded to just over one-half of the new gold output in 1949. This leaves nearly 400 million dollars to be accounted for. Probably a part, say, one-third, went into unreported official reserves, and perhaps 100 million dollars was taken by the arts. But there is still some 150 million dollars or more which has "disappeared"—having very likely been sold on free or black markets. It is highly probable that additional gold from unreported production was

sold on the same markets.

4. These sales of gold have been one of the factors which helped to bring about a sharp decline in the prices quoted for gold in the free and black markets.

The decline continued in the first four months of 1950, exerting an important psychological influence in many countries, since such a decline is taken to signify an intrinsic strengthening of the value of the domestic currency. The collapse of gold prices is attributable less to the impact of the devaluations (which under different circumstances might easily have had the opposite effect) than to the growing evidence of internal recovery in western Europe, including, in particular, the main gold-hoarding country, France. Influences from outside Europe worked in the same direction: namely, the check to hoarding caused by the communist victory in China and the increase in the sales on free markets by South Africa and some other producing areas.

The currency changes of September 1949 had cast their shadow before them; not only had transactions been held up until the expected devaluations took place but, in the spring and summer, funds had moved, clandestinely and otherwise, in search of safety. In a large measure, the last three months of 1949 saw the logical reversal of these tendencies. These are, however, essentially short-term effects. The permanent consequences of the devaluations cannot be predicted on the basis of the experience

gained up to the present.

1949 was less characterised than any other postwar year by a one-sided and overwhelming flow of gold to a single recipient: the United States; and even the substantial efflux of gold—mostly from the sterling area—in the spring and summer was quickly reversed in the autumn and the losses fully made good in the opening months of the following year. It may seem somewhat strange that a year which in retrospect is conspicuous for a more even distribution of new gold should also have been a year of

widespread currency changes; but those changes fortunately came at a moment when they caused little disturbance; in fact, they seem to have been one of the factors contributing to a greater balance in the monetary position of the world.

In 1945 the time had come for European trade to be resumed; but reserves were already scanty and it seemed a useful expedient to help trade along by the extension of credits between the various European countries (by means of the famous "swings" in the payments agreements). When the limits for these credits had been reached and came to be exceeded, payments had in several cases to be made in gold (i.e. in the means of payment internationally most acceptable) but reserves were running down and it was fortunate, indeed, that a part of the arrangements made under the Marshall Plan was the payments and compensation scheme to ensure a continuing and growing flow of intra-European trade without any too burdensome charge on the monetary reserves of the weaker countries. Thanks to the improvements which have taken place, a new stage has been reached in 1950; but, even so, it is proving no easy matter to determine, in the working-out of a new payments plan, to what extent credit facilities and gold payments can be fitted together in such a way as to enable definite progress to be made towards full convertibility of European currencies.

For convertibility to be resumed, with all that this entails in the form of possible gold payments, it is, of course, indispensable that—in addition to participating in further international measures—the individual countries should have established a sufficient balance in their internal economies and that, in so far as they require capital from abroad for their own development, the foreign resources in question should have been procured by loans or in other ways in good time, so that when an import surplus has to be paid for the foreign exchange is readily available. If arrangements are made for short-term credit facilities for seasonal and other temporary purposes, a useful element will have been added to the general credit structure; but such facilities should not be put on a par with the availability of adequate monetary reserves in the free possession of the countries themselves. For countries, as for individuals, monetary reserves serve to provide a margin of safety and, in particular, a means of gaining time, so that such readjustments may be made as the particular situation may require. A considerable number of countries have altogether inadequate reserves. In April 1950 the United Kingdom had gold reserves second only to those of the United States, and yet the Chancellor

August 1950 995 of the Exchequer, in his budget speech on the 18th of that month, expressed himself as follows:

"It is the smallness of our reserves much more than the unavoidable degree of fluctuation in our earnings that is now our real trouble. That is why we must build up those reserves in every way we can, so as to have more in hand to meet the quite normal and inevitable fluctuations in the dollar income of the sterling area when Marshall aid ends in 1952."

Other countries may not have the same large actual and potential commitments as the United Kingdom but they, too, need an adequate backing in gold and foreign exchange. The problem of replenishing reserves cannot be dealt with as an isolated one, for it touches upon many aspects of the question of attaining a sufficient internal and external balance in each economy and, in the international field, of establishing propitious conditions for foreign trade and payments. Attention has obviously to be given to these questions in the utilisation of Marshall aid in the different countries. It seems quite clear that in the remaining part of the recovery programmes one of the main tasks should be to build up monetary reserves, especially now that the original production targets have been reached or surpassed. No real stability will be created in Europe before the reserve position of most of the continent's monetary authorities has been strengthened—and only then will the countries be able to dispense with foreign aid.

Money, Credit and Interest Rates

A return to more normal monetary conditions has been part of the general improvement which has taken place during the last few years and which is characterised fundamentally by a better balance between the quantity of money and the quantity of goods, prices ceasing to move sharply upwards or downwards, exceptional shortages disappearing, and rationing, allocation and similar forms of control being gradually removed.

The same stage has not been reached, however, in all countries, and the movement necessary to restore equilibrium is not always in the same direction. The note circulation fell in some countries but remained relatively stable in others, while there were a number of cases in which the amount of notes outstanding continued to rise. The circulation fell in countries as different from one another as the United States, the Netherlands, Switzerland, India and Czechoslovakia; a small or negligible increase occurred in the United Kingdom, the Scandinavian countries and Belgium; and the same was the case in Austria and Japan, where an end

was put to a long period of inflation; in France and the Argentine, expansion was at the rate of 30 per cent, and in Greece it even exceeded 50 per cent, with substantial increases also in Australia, Germany, Italy, Finland, Brazil and Egypt; while China still had to cope with an inflationary rise in its note circulation (that country being the most conspicuous exception to the rule of general improvement).

In judging the significance of these various movements, account must be taken not only of changes in the volume of money (note circulation or notes plus deposits) but also of the supply of goods and services on which the money can be spent and of the prices at which they are purchased. If adjustment is made for the rise in prices, the resulting picture is already more realistic, but account must also be taken of any increase in production (which may best be measured by the estimates of the national income). There is also the possibility that the public may want to hold larger quantities of money in the form of cash, as occurs, for instance, when confidence is restored in a currency which had previously been depreciating rapidly.

The weight of these considerations may be exemplified by the developments in a few countries.

It might be thought that the United States is suffering from a serious excess of money, since the note circulation at the end of 1949 was more than four times-and the note circulation plus bank deposits more than three times—as large as in 1938, while wholesale prices had barely doubled in the same space of time. But, as a joint result of the rise in prices and a great rise in production, the total of the national income is more than three times as large as before the war and this means that the apparent excess of money has been almost wholly absorbed. The note circulation in itself still corresponds to a rather higher proportion of the national income than before the war, but some slight increase may be taken as normal, since there are a number of people who, previously poor indeed, are now better paid and can therefore hold a larger amount of their income in notes; as cash, than they could formerly.

In Italy the note circulation increased between the end of 1947 and the end of 1949 from 795 to 1,057 billion lire, i.e. by 33 per cent. During the same period prices fell somewhat, but the increase in the note circulation was absorbed to some extent by a rise in production and also by a slowing-down in the velocity of circulation (which is equivalent to the holding of more cash for current purposes).

The relation between the money volume and the national income is clearly a more reliable touchstone than changes in the money volume considered

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by themselves. It is interesting to note that in the countries where the exceptional shortages have been most successfully overcome, where controls have been abolished and where prices are fairly steady, the money volume is again tending to represent about the same fraction of the national income as before the war. It would seem as if the economic changes resulting from the war and the fact of experiencing downright inflation had had less effect upon the public's habits in making payments and holding notes and deposits than might have been expected.

Prewar experience also indicates that these habits are changed only slowly and that, while in periods of crisis the public may hold for a time an abnormally large or small amount of cash, it tends to restore its holdings to their previous level as soon as the emergency ends. The relation of the note circulation to the national income varied very little between 1920 and 1940 in Canada, Sweden and the United Kingdom. In the United States it rose abruptly during the depression and then settled down at a higher level. In the Netherlands and Switzerland movements were more erratic.

The group of countries in which the quantity of money is now in about the same relation to the national income as immediately before the war includes the United States, Belgium and Switzerland.

In all three countries the quantity of money was excessive at the end of the war. In the United States, wholesale prices rose by some 50 per cent from 1945 to 1948, while money ceased to increase appreciably after 1946. In Switzerland prices had already risen during the war, but production rose year by year after the war and there was an even greater increase in the supplies of available goods (thanks to the recovery in foreign trade). In Switzerland, the relation of the money supply to the national income is still rather high, though there is no doubt that inflation has been ended and economic equilibrium restored; the surplus money probably represents hoards of Swiss francs in foreign hands. In Belgium, where the active money volume had been reduced by a currency reform in the autumn of 1944, it would seem that between 1946 and 1948 production rose by one-quarter and prices by some 35 per cent.

A second group of countries comprises those in which the excess of money accumulated during the war has not yet disappeared. These include the United Kingdom, the Netherlands, Denmark, Finland, Norway and Sweden. In the United Kingdom there has been a marked improvement as compared with 1946 but it has only gone far enough to re-establish the position recorded at the end of

the war, before the extreme cheap-money policy of the immediate postwar period had had its effect.

In the group under review the country which has gone farthest on the way back to equilibrium is the Netherlands, where three effective methods of absorbing an excessive volume of money have been adopted: a monetary reform (including a decisive cut in the amount of notes and free deposits), an increase in production, and an increase in prices. Moreover, most of the counterpart funds received in connection with Marshall aid have been sterilised on an account in the Nederlandsche Bank (cf. page 196 of the nineteenth Annual Report). Wholesale prices in the Netherlands rose by about 70 per cent between 1945 and 1950 and by more than 190 per cent between 1937 and February 1950.

Three countries—Italy, France and Greece—may be taken as representative of the group in which the money volume has been below the normal proportion but rapid rises have taken place recently.

No adequate estimates of the national income are available for Greece but it is possible to compare the increase in money with the increase in prices.

In Italy the prewar relation has been re-established—primarily as a result of an unusually rapid expansion of the volume of money—so that there is obviously no justification for any talk of a "credit deflation" in that country. In Greece the money supply is still small as compared with the prewar ratio but, as the Greeks have been through several periods of extreme inflation within one generation, the credit institutions of that country can hardly count on more than a very slow return to the degree of confidence which prevailed in the years before the second world war.

In France, the total money supply is now relatively smaller than in 1938, but that was a year of monetary troubles, with disequilibrium in the balance of payments; an additional reason for caution is the fact that the volume of credit granted to business is now relatively greater than before the war.

This is just the opposite of what has happened in most countries. In relation to the national income, credit shows the greatest decrease in Belgium—a country which, since the war, has applied a firm policy of credit control for the maintenance of equilibrium internally and in its balance of payments. In addition, it is very likely that in Belgium credit conditions are influenced by the same general factors as in the other countries, where the ratio under review is distinctly lower than before the war. One important general reason for this development is no doubt that many business firms were able to accumulate substantial reserves during the war and, in the postwar period, have been mak-

ing good profits of which a considerable part has been ploughed back into the business, with the result that they can finance themselves to a greater extent than before the war. Moreover, in some countries, where commercial banks (and not only savings banks) used to extend credits for investment purposes (in the form of mortgages, etc.), a sudden rise in prices will have increased the nominal amount of the national income but not the amount of long-standing financing via the banks.

In France, where the credit ratio is abnormally high in comparison with prewar, this increase seems to be due partly to the fact that sudden rises by as much as 40 to 60 per cent a year in prices and wage costs ruled out any such growth in the volume of self-financing as occurred in other countries, and partly to the lack of activity in the capital. market, which not only made private business firms rely to a greater extent on bank credit but also caused nationalised enterprises to finance their development largely by recourse to the banks. Credits to such enterprises are shown as a part of ordinary business credits, whereas in the statistics of the capital market a distinction is made between the two different classes of borrowers: in 1949 nationalised industries raised a total of 14 billion French francs (not quite equal to 50 million dollars) on the capital market, while business firms raised 64 billion francs (equal to about 200 million dollars), of which a part merely represented the reinvestment of the proceeds of securities redeemed.

In the countries in which the velocity of circulation is slowing down-which implies a form of saving, in that individuals and firms hold more cash—a quite exceptional opportunity has arisen for an expansion of the margin of credit. Use was made of similar opportunities in the reconstruction period after the first world war, for example, by the German Reichsbank in 1923-24, and now it has again been possible to profit by the same concatenation of circumstances. The experience gained in the twenties, however, was that these decidedly temporary possibilities of credit creation are soon exhausted and that at a certain moment a halt must be called. It is not at all certain that the circulation can be safely expanded until it reaches precisely the same relation to the national income as in a given year before the war. Much depends upon the way in which the expansion takes place; if the increase in the domestic means of payments corresponds to an accumulation of monetary reserves in, say, gold and dollars, there will be assets available to meet any strain which the larger circulation may provoke in the balance of payments.

In the overcoming of the strong inflationary trend

which had been continued in France in the postwar period, the imposition of rather sweeping restrictions—especially of a quantitative character in the autumn of 1948 played a considerable rôle (as explained on page 170 of the nineteenth Annual Report). The restrictions applied, of course, essentially to credits granted by banks, and they were reinforced by rates for commercial credits rising to 6, 7 or 8 per cent. Long-term rates were also affected: the yield of 3 per cent rentes rose from 4.48 in December 1947 to 4.67 per cent in September 1948 and to 5.18 per cent in February 1950.

The stricter credit policy has compelled traders to release surplus stocks and exporters to sell to the exchange control the full amount of their receipts in foreign currency. It has thus helped in eliminating the shortage of goods at home, in stopping the rise in prices and in halving the deficit in the balance of payments. And these advantages have been accompanied by an increase in industrial production by 10 per cent in 1949, while unemployment has remained at a low level (40,000 to 65,000 in the winter of 1949-50 as compared with a monthly average of 374,000 before the war, i.e. in 1938).

Complaints having been heard of an undue restriction of credit, some alleviations have gradually been allowed: thus in April 1950 the limit at which the authorisation of the Bank of France was required for certain bank advances was raised from 50 to 100 million French francs. And the rediscount "ceilings" limiting the amount of bills which each bank could rediscount with the Bank of France have also been raised. As a matter of fact, there has been a continuous expansion of the volume of credit: the restrictions have only served to keep it within reasonable limits.

The yearly increase in the volume of business credits was at the rate of 59 per cent in 1947, 80 per cent in 1948 and 39 per cent in 1949. It is remarkable that under the existing regulations so large an increase could be obtained. The fact is that the rediscount ceiling allowed a margin for some expansion, besides which the banks could obtain, temporarily, certain additional funds from the Bank of France and they could also discount medium-term securities with the Crédit National. In addition, it was decided in March 1950 to allow special credit facilities for the accumulation of stocks of butter and for exports. Taken as a whole, the credit control cannot be said to have been too harshly applied; rather, it would seem that the expansion allowed has been the maximum that could safely be undertaken; and it is, therefore, of interest to note that in the first quarter of 1950 for the first time in many years no further expansion occurred in the credit volume.

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In addition to business credits, the banks' holdings of public securities have also increased. The difference between total government expenditure and revenue still remains large, amounting to 485 billion French francs in the estimates for 1950 (of which 250 billion is to be covered by the counterpart of Marshall aid). There was an increase of 65 billion francs in 1949 in the banks' holdings of government securities; on the other hand, the direct advances by the Bank of France to the government increased by only a negligible amount, the legal ceiling for current state borrowing from the Bank of France being lowered from 200 to 175 billion francs. The government borrowed considerable sums from the savings banks and postal-cheque system.

Both note circulation and bank deposits have continued to rise, the total money supply increasing by one-third in 1948 and one-quarter in 1949.

A new important source of credit expansion has been the advances by the Bank of France to the Exchange Stabilisation Fund of 43 billion French francs, together with the rise in the Bank of France's holdings of foreign exchange, indicating a rise of about 300 to 350 million dollars in France's foreign reserves. As long as the Exchange Stabilisation Fund was being called upon to sell foreign exchange, it took in corresponding amounts of francs and was, in fact, for years a source of supply for the Treasury, to which the amounts in francs were delivered. It was, however, soon faced with considerable losses in francs on forward operations as a result of the adjustments in exchange rates and also on account of the French multiple-rate exchange system. When the trend turned, the Fund had not enough resources in French francs to buy the inflowing foreign exchange. Since the Treasury was also short of funds, it was arranged that the Fund should obtain advances from the Bank of France-on condition, however, that, when it sold exchange, it should use the proceeds in French francs to repay these advances—the new arrangement representing an important step towards a normalisation of the French monetary system.

In Italy also, quantitative credit restrictions as well as higher interest rates have played a great rôle in the restoration of more effective financial stability after years of inflation. But that has not meant that no new credits have been granted: the volume of credit increased by about the same amount in 1948 and in 1949 as in 1947, in the autumn of which year the credit measures were taken.

The receipt of foreign aid and the growth of domestic savings have made it possible to finance both the budget deficit and private investments without inflation and without unfavourable effects on the balance of trade. Gross investments amounted in 1949 to about 20 per cent of the national income. In 1949, in conspicuous contrast to former years, the financing of the government's deficit did not involve recourse either to the Bank of Italy or to the commercial banks on any substantial scale, sufficient funds being supplied by foreign aid, the postal savings system or the market.

Production and employment figures have risen but, owing to the rapid increase in the population, difficulties have been experienced in finding work for all the new recruits to the labour force. Early in 1950 the Minister of the Treasury announced plans for spending 120 billion lire annually over a period of ten years on the development of southern Italy, these schemes to be financed through a special new institution. A further move towards a freer credit policy was the reduction of the discount rate from 4½ to 4 per cent on April 6, 1950 (the rate had been reduced from 5½ to 4½ per cent on April 9, 1949).

Even more than Italy, Greece has been affected by war and internal conflicts, it being only in 1949 that fighting in that country came to an end. For these reasons, rehabilitation has been delayed, but in many respects impressive progress has been made during the last two years, the volume of industrial production reaching the prewar level by the end of the year and agricultural production being then within 25 per cent of that level. In the credit sphere, the great difficulty is that after such monetary debacles as the Greeks have experienced it is not easy to restore confidence in the national currency.

In Germany, as in Austria, the monetary mechanism was for a number of years put almost out of action by an enormous redundancy of money in relation to the wages paid and the few goods available at the officially controlled rates and prices. But at one stroke a more far-reaching measure than was ever taken in Austria was applied in the three zones of western Germany when the monetary reform of June 1948 cut down the volume of means of payment by over 90 per cent. This produced a need for a larger circulation, and the degree of liquidity of the commercial banks allowed them to give much fresh accommodation, short-term business credits rising from 1,244 million Deutsche marks in July to 3,550 million in October 1948. There being then certain signs of an incipient inflationary rise in prices, the Bank deutscher Länder raised reserve requirements, trying to persuade the various banks not to increase the total amount of their credits beyond the amount existing at the end of October 1948; at the same time the Bank deutscher Länder stiffened the qualitative regulations for rediscounts.

In November 1948 wholesale prices ceased to rise appreciably, and early in 1949 they even fell somewhat.

This change in the trend permitted the Bank deutscher Länder to take the following steps to ease credit conditions:

- (i) the official rate of discount was reduced first from 5 to $4\frac{1}{2}$ per cent and then to 4 per cent;
- (ii) the minimum reserve requirements were reduced (also in two stages): the reserve ratio for time deposits was lowered from 5 to 4 per cent and for sight deposits from 15 to 10 per cent or from 10 to 8 per cent, according to the category of the bank concerned;
- (iii) the qualitative requirements for rediscounts were relaxed and the "stop order" for bank credits—which does not seem to have been very effective—was cancelled.

Refugees continued to enter western Germany; and, in order to help in procuring employment for them, some further expansionary measures were taken, first in August 1949 and again early in 1950:

- (i) In August 1949 the Bank deutscher Länder decided to encourage the granting of medium-term credits for long-term export orders or for investment purposes by purchasing from the banks a limited number of their equalisation claims (that is, the so-called "Ausgleichsforderungen," which were given to the banks, as part of the monetary reform in 1948, in lieu of cancelled assets to enable them to balance their positions).
- (ii) Early in 1950, the Bank deutscher Länder agreed to various expansionary measures, while stipulating that the central-bank credits should as far as possible be transitional, i.e. consist of temporary advances, in anticipation of future proceeds from long-term loans and grants, and not represent permanent financing. The Bank deutscher Länder declared itself ready to help, if necessary, in prefinancing nearly 900 million Deutsche marks of a new housing programme (the total of which would amount to 2,500 million) and also 900 million of a special programme amounting in all to 950 million Deutsche marks.
- (iii) It was, moreover, agreed that counterpart funds would be released as quickly as possible.
- (iv) The ceiling (fixed by law) on advances from the Bank deutscher Länder to the Federal Government was raised, after agreement by the Allied High Commission, from 560 to 1,000 million Deutsche marks in December 1949 and it was at the same time provided that the ceiling might be

further raised to 1,500 million if the Board of Directors of the Bank deutscher Länder approved such a step by a majority of three-quarters (such approval was given in May 1950).

But, even before these recent measures, credit was expanding at an extremely rapid rate.

Thus during 1949 the short-term credits extended by the commercial banks more than doubled, while medium- and long-term credits expanded even more rapidly although a part of this increase was related to old reichsmark credits converted into Deutsche marks. Partly as a result of this granting of fresh credits, the banks' liquidity gradually decreased. While in 1948 the banks held large excess reserves with the various "Landeszentralbanken," these excess reserves were very slight at the beginning of 1950, in spite of the fact that during 1949 the minimum reserve requirements had twice been lowered.

The actual amount of the commercial banks' reserves was reduced by the withdrawal of notes by the public (the note circulation increasing by 1,100 million Deutsche marks in 1949) and also, from the middle of 1949, by the large import surplus and new regulations for the financing of foreign trade, which resulted in heavy in-payments to the central banking system, while, owing to delay in the release of counterpart funds, out-payments were relatively small: the relevant accounts of the system (creditor and debtor foreign accounts as well as the credit balances with foreign banks and the liabilities of the Joint Export-Import Agency) showed a net credit balance of 591 million Deutsche marks at the end of June 1949 and a net debit balance of 1,387 million Deutsche marks at the end of 1949.

In the early months of 1950 there have been various signs of greater moderation in the expansion of credit, which had been exceedingly rapid during 1949. At the same time, the trend of savings by the general public is again upwards, after a setback in the autumn of 1949: for the early months of 1950 the in-payments into savings accounts work out at an average rate of 132 million Deutsche marks a month. In addition, receipts by insurance companies and payments into savings accounts of various associations (for building purposes, etc.) have continued to increase almost uninterruptedly since the monetary reform.

As already mentioned, an excessive money supply was also characteristic of Denmark and Norway as a result of the financing of the military occupation. Of the other northern countries, Sweden, having been neutral during the war, had no particular difficulties in this respect, while the in-

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flationary trend was strongest in Finland, which had been through two wars.

The most effective action for lessening the money supply was taken in Denmark, where in the years 1946, 1947 and 1948 the volume of notes in circulation and of demand deposits with the National Bank was reduced, in all, by 2,400 million Danish kroner through various measures of monetary reform, including special allocation of the proceeds of certain taxes. The contraction is most clearly seen in the combined returns of the commercial banks.

There is a significant reduction in the amount of cash plus balances with the National Bank held by the commercial banks. In the balance sheet of the National Bank the reduction is shown in the "regulation account," which had originated in the financing of the occupation and which declined by 330 million kroner in 1949.

The process of cutting down the money supply was not continued during 1949: the total of notes outstanding and of the demand deposits held by the economy at the National Bank increased by 45 million kroner and deposits with the commercial banks also increased for the first time since the end of the war. The government budget surplus and its net sales of foreign exchange again withdrew money from the economy, no appreciable releases being made from counterpart funds; but the government offset their deflationary effect by making debt repayments in cash, in order to prevent a further stiffening of interest rates. The yield of government securities had risen from 3.55 per cent in 1946 to 4.40 per cent at the end of 1948; it did not rise further in 1949.

The annual report of the National Bank for 1949 mentions that at the end of that year the amount of counterpart funds and proceeds of other credits held at the National Bank came to 1,109 million kroner and that the Bank took the view that this amount should be written off on the regulation account and not be put into circulation again. The development of the exchange position must, of course, be watched with the greatest attention; and the Bank holds that "the economic policy of the country, while taking account of employment, should be framed in such a way as to fulfill the requirements of balance in payments relations with foreign countries."

In its monetary policy Finland forms a striking contrast to Norway. At the end of 1948 the volume of money (note circulation plus deposits) had increased since 1938 by twelve times in Finland, by eight and a half times in Norway. But, whereas in Norway prices had been allowed to rise only 80 per cent above 1938, so that a large surplus remained, in Finland the greater part of the increase in the supply of money was absorbed by a tenfold

rise in prices. While Norway maintained cheap money, the Bank of Finland raised its discount rate during 1948 to 7½ per cent.

As a result of an increase in the real national income and a slight fall in the note circulation, the excess of money in the Netherlands, which resulted from the war and had only been partly removed by the monetary reform in 1945, has now been very nearly eliminated. The total of blocked money, which was as high as 6,800 million florins in 1945, has been brought down to about 1,100 million. That it has been possible to approach monetary equilibrium in the Netherlands during the two years 1948 and 1949 is mainly due to the accumulation (and sterilisation) of nearly 1,000 million florins in local-currency funds (i.e. Marshall aid counterpart funds), by which credit creation to the extent of about 1,500 million florins has been partly neutralised.

In Belgium an increase of 2.3 billion Belgian francs in the gold and foreign exchange reserves of the National Bank was the main single cause of the increase in the supply of money during 1949. There was an increase of over 5 per cent during 1948 and about 3 per cent during 1949 in the note circulation as well as in the total money supply—which indicates that there has been no credit deflation but rather an expansion keeping pace with the increase in real income.

More than in any other country, conditions on the money and capital markets in Switzerland have been characterised by a high degree of liquidity—so high, indeed, as to be distinctly embarrassing. The situation is the result of:

- (i) a continued high rate of saving in Switzerland at a time when, with a slight business recession prevailing, there was a decline in the demand for fresh accommodation;
- (ii) the emergence in 1949 of a current surplus of probably more than 700 million Swiss francs in the balance of payments after deficits of 300 to 425 million francs in the two previous years.

It is very difficult to tell whether in 1949 there was, on balance, a net influx of capital in addition to the surplus on current account. In any case, the increase in the monetary reserves of the National Bank was reflected in an increase in the Bank's demand liabilities (i.e. deposits with the Bank), while the note circulation tended to decline.

Account must be taken of the operations of the Old Age and Dependents' Insurance Fund (the A.H.V.) which, instituted in 1947, has been accumulating funds on a much greater scale than was anticipated. Its investments increased by 452 mil-

lion francs in 1949 and, since they were practically confined to securities placed by public authorities or semi-official institutions, they took a disproportionate share of the "safer" investments.

In order to reduce the redundancy of funds in the market, the Federal Government has decided not to let its credit balance with the National Bank fall below 200 million francs and to resume its policy of sterilising gold, the Treasury taking over gold from the National Bank. The sterilisation is to be applied to all gold held by the National Bank in excess of its stock as of mid-March 1950. The government has also decided to convert long-term bonds and to repay only short-term rescriptions and Treasury certificates.

Switzerland is in a unique position in that it is the only country in Europe with a surplus of domestic savings available for foreign lending, this surplus being all the more effective since the Swiss authorities have no need to strengthen the country's monetary reserves. Most of the other countries are still finding it difficult to restore smoothlyworking markets for domestic borrowing, there being almost everywhere a scarcity of savings-especially for investments at long term and involving a risk. Financing of current foreign trade has presented less difficulty: the banking machinery for short-term accommodation has mostly remained intact and in a position to meet demands. In the field of financing of international trade, the main market has continued to be the London market, functioning under conditions in which the hampering effect of the exchange regulations is not too greatly felt.

While, as regards its foreign exchanges, the United Kingdom passed through a year of disturbances in 1949, there were practically no repercussions upon the internal credit situation, which on the contrary showed signs of increased stability. Net deposits (i.e. the total of deposits excluding cheques in course of collection) increased by only 50 million pounds in 1949, as compared with a rise of 232 million in 1948 and 244 million in 1947.

In the short-term indebtedness of the government to the banks, there have been during the year two important modifications: a reduction in the total and a shift in the form of the indebtedness. Treasury bills have been substituted for the less flexible Treasury deposit receipts (T.D.R.), the latter having been reduced by about one-half.

From March 1949 to March 1950, the govern-

From March 1949 to March 1950, the government's short-term indebtedness to the clearing banks (comprising bills and T.D.R. but not including the holdings of long-term government securities, which form the bulk of the banks' investments) was reduced by 275 million pounds (in round fig-

ures). In that period there was no longer any substantial over-all budget surplus available for debt redemption but Marshall aid counterpart funds were used for repayments of short-term debt. The reasons why such repayments did not cause a more conspicuous reduction in the volume of the banks' assets and liabilities may be stated as follows:

(i) The British banks operate with a cash ratio of 8 per cent (leaving out of account minor variations); the amount of cash held by them depends essentially on the day-to-day operations of the Bank of England. Except for seasonal variations, there has been practically no change in their cash for two years and thus the banks have been able to maintain an almost unchanged total of assets. Among those assets, there has been an increase in advances, which must be said to have been well-nigh unavoidable in a period of rising prices and which has been compensated for by the repayment of government debt (reduction in T.D.R.).

(ii) The receipt of Marshall aid and other foreign funds, even if the counterpart in sterling is used for debt repayment, does not, of course, in itself lead to a contraction in the volume of money; it is necessary to examine what "real" uses are made

of the resources obtained.

In 1949 gold and dollar receipts amounted to 380 million pounds but the deficit on the current account of the balance of payments was only 70 mil-The remaining 310 million pounds represents "unrequited" exports to other countries or payments in gold and dollars on their behalf, such transactions resulting in a reduction of sterling liabilities and an increase in the United Kingdom's foreign assets. In so far as foreign aid was passed on to other countries in these ways, it is evident that it could not be expected to reduce the domestic supply of money; but the money supply was not reduced even by the 70 million pounds of aid retained in the United Kingdom. This aid served to finance the excess of investment over savings which, had it not been for the resources made available from foreign aid, would have had further inflationary effects and increased the pressure on the banking system. In effect, foreign aid served to finance an equivalent volume of expenditure on either home or foreign investment. In neither case were there any proceeds of foreign aid devoted to a contraction of the volume of money.

The decline shown in deposits from March 1949 to March 1950 is the first decline in a twelve-month period for a decade. While the note circulation increased in absolute amount during 1949, the end-of-year figure represented a smaller proportion of the national income than had been the case at

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the end of 1948—this being an unmistakable sign of at least a halt in the money expansion of the war and postwar period.

In the short-term market, the cheap-money policy has been continued—the rates payable on Treasury bills and other short-term obligations being applicable to a considerable part of the liabilities accumulated during the war. But the long-term market has been regaining its flexibility, with quotations fluctuating in response to supply and demand without any artificial support by newly created central-bank funds.

An official sign of the acceptance of a higher level of long-term interest rates came in November 1949, when the Agricultural Mortgage Corporation raised its charges for mortgage loans from 3½ to 4 per cent. In May 1950, for the first time since before the war, a gilt-edged loan was issued at 3½ per cent: the British Electricity Authority borrowed 150 million pounds at an issue price of 99 per cent with a government guarantee.

Since short-term rates have been kept at the low level of ½ per cent for Treasury bills (and % per cent for T.D.R.), the difference between short- and long-term rates has progressively widened. The short-term rates used to move much more freely than the long-term rates, providing, so to say, a cushion against sudden changes in the cost of long-term financing and in that way helping to maintain equilibrium in the credit system without any precipitous or untimely repercussion on the long-term rates, which are more important as regards the provision of capital for industry.

In the United States—in direct contrast to the credit policy of the British authorities—long-term rates have been strictly pegged throughout the postwar period (at a yield of around $2\frac{1}{2}$ per cent), while short-term rates have been raised several times—from about $\frac{7}{8}$ per cent for one-year certificates in 1945 to $\frac{1}{4}$ per cent in 1948. It proved possible for the Federal Reserve System to offset its purchases of bonds by sales of bills, certificates and notes without any but purely temporary increases in the System's total holdings of government securities.

A principal aim of the monetary authorities in the United States has been to "preserve orderly conditions in the market for government securities." In general, this has meant that the Federal Reserve Banks purchased long-term bonds to prevent the price from falling, while selling bills in order to narrow the margin between short- and long-term interest rates. In 1949, for the first time in the postwar period, the market prices for securities tended to rise above the support prices and the authorities then sold both bonds and bills to main-

tain a fairly fixed pattern of rates. In June, however, the Federal Reserve System somewhat changed its policy: yields were falling in the market and a maintenance of the established pattern would have required further sales of securities by the Federal Reserve Banks. The Federal Reserve Open Market Committee, after consultation with the Treasury, then announced that "under present conditions the maintenance of a relatively fixed pattern of rates has the undesirable effect of absorbing reserves from the market at a time when availability of credit should be increased."

There seems little doubt that readiness to adopt a more flexible policy even for long-term interest rates is making headway in the United States, and the same can be said of Europe. A most important step in that direction has been the acceptance of flexible market rates for long-term government securities on the London market in the summer and autumn of 1949. Soon the market reached a new level (with yields of 3.6 to 3.8 per cent), at which operations have taken place without any artificial support by the monetary authorities.

The danger involved in a policy of supporting the market is not only—and perhaps not even primarily—that too low rates of interest may be enforced but that the newly created funds brought into the market by the central bank cause an artificial abundance of money liable to distort the scale and direction of expenditure both for consumption and for investment, and also to promote undesirable movements of capital abroad and at home. Often the addition to the volume of monetary purchasing power comes at the wrong moment from a credit point of view.

While these dangers may be fully conceded, it is often thought that a fall in the quotations of government bonds, which is tantamount to a rise in long-term interest rates, may have many undesirable consequences.

Thus, it is argued that a rise in the level of interest rates may lead to unemployment. But rates have been raised in France without any such result; as far as Italy and western Germany are concerned, unemployment there has clearly not been caused by contraction of credit but is of a structural nature, while in Belgium it is rather a question of adjusting the economy to an increase in costs and particularly in wages in comparison with prewar levels. In all the other countries where no special difficulties have been present, a high rate of employment has been found in conjunction with very different types of monetary policy.

Reference may also be made to the increase in the debt service if interest rates go up sharply. But

even here the additional cost may easily be overestimated: the higher rates do not affect the cost of debt already funded (which is generally twothirds or more of the total); secondly, it may not be necessary to raise the short-term interest rates very much or for very long; thirdly, a part of the increased debt service returns to the state in the form of tax payments; and, fourthly, it often happens that a high proportion of the short-term debt is held by government departments, agencies and trust funds, in which case the meeting of the debt service merely involves payments inside the government machinery.

It has also been feared that, with public debts as large as they often are in these days, a fall in security prices, especially if it came after a period of artificially cheap money, would lead to speculative excesses and cause capital losses to financial institutions. But here the experience of the London market—where the 2½ per cent consols fell from a price of 98.4 in January 1947 to 69.1 in November 1949 without any untoward consequences—would seem to show that the dangers may loom larger than they really are.

In countries which have adopted an incomestabilisation policy, as has been done in Scandinavia, there is the further fear that an increase in the cost of financing building activity and a consequent increase in the amount charged as rents would lead to a breach of stability and thus imperil adherence to the general lines of policy followed. Much will, of course, depend upon whether in the countries in question the general trend of prices allows stabilisation to prevail. Should the stabilisation policy have to be abandoned or greatly modified, the change would presumably involve a diminution of direct control and, therefore, more reliance on indirect controls of which a flexible interest policy may be an indispensable element.

The opinion would seem to be gaining ground that the application of flexible interest rates has an important rôle to play as part of a smoothly-working monetary system and that urgent consideration should be given to the requirements of a rational interest policy—a subject on which only a few observations can be made here with reference to particular problems and countries.

In the recovery of France and Italy an increase in interest rates, together with quantitative credit restrictions, has proved of great use in the struggle to arrest inflation and restore monetary confidence. In both these countries the really effective interest rates have been very high—reaching 7 to 8 per cent or more (especially in Italy) for advances and a level above 6 per cent for long-term borrowing. As long as inflation is still rampant, high rates can

easily be paid, but once prices have become stabilised it is a more difficult matter. When it comes to lowering the rates, the trouble is, in the first place, that, in cases where prices have risen 20 times (as in France) or 50 times (as in Italy) since 1938, it takes strong medicine to overcome general mistrust in the currency and, in the second place, that as long as the budget shows substantial deficits and thus absorbs a large part of the current domestic savings, the high rates are needed to restrain the outlay for investment on private account. In order to bring down the rates to more usual levels, it is obviously not sufficient simply to prescribe that banks and other credit institutions shall charge less when funds are lent; for the quotations of securities and thus the actual yield are largely determined by supply and demand in free markets. It is necessary to attack the causes of the high rates and, in that connection, to improve the budget position a matter which in any case becomes more and more urgent as Marshall aid diminishes. In Italy the particular problem of relatively high costs for the distribution of credit is more acute than in most other countries. This is connected with the fact that, in 1949, bank deposits, when adjusted for the rise in commodity prices, were still only two-thirds of what they had been in 1938, while for a number of reasons the staff of the banks had increased. Thus the amount of deposits per employee was only about one-half of the corresponding prewar amountnecessitating an unduly large spread between the interest rates paid for deposits and the rates charged for credits. Here there is an obvious need for measures which will help the Italian banks and other financial institutions to bring down their The avoidance of excessive interest rates is in such cases a matter of constructive reformmore particularly, but not exclusively, in connection with the budget.

The experience with regard to interest rates has been very different in those countries in which the rise in prices has not gone much beyond the general increase in world market prices as quoted, say, in dollars and where there has consequently been no real loss of confidence in the national currency. In Switzerland, for instance, relatively moderate changes in long-term interest rates proved sufficient to maintain equilibrium; the experience of the British market for government securities, which was along the same lines, has just been referred to; and Belgium has also found that relatively moderate changes are singularly effective. It must not be forgotten that an increase by one-half per cent in the rate level (say, from 3 to 3½ per cent) will bring down the quotation for a 3 per cent bond from par (i.e. 100) to a price of 86. If the holders

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of the bonds think that before long (e.g. when sellers' markets and the boom are over) the interest level will return to 3 per cent, they are likely to stop selling, since they will need to be sure of very good returns elsewhere before they will take capital losses of 12 to 14 per cent on their securities.

In official interest policy it used to be a rule that the discount rate of a central bank should be increased by one per cent at a time (in order to make an impression on the markets) but lowered only one-half per cent at a time (in order not to give people too strong an inducement to withdraw funds to foreign centres). But now that, in many markets, official interest rates have been left unchanged for years—sometimes even for over a decade—it is probable that a very considerable psychological effect would be exerted by an increase of only one-half per cent. Such an increase would create a stir in all interested circles and give the impression that the ordinary means of credit policy will again be used to uphold the integrity of the currency—a move which would undoubtedly help to strengthen monetary confidence at a time when direct control measures are gradually disappearing.

Intra-European Payments and Compensations

Before discussing the progress of the current payments plan, it is desirable to bring up to date the story of intra-European payments as described in the eighteenth and nineteenth Annual Reports of this Bank.

The First Agreement for Multilateral Monetary Compensation of November 18, 1947 initiated the monthly reporting of European central banks to the Bank for International Settlements, which has continued without interruption from December 1947 until the present time. The results obtained from this Agreement were somewhat limited; the total turnover during its ten months of operation was the equivalent of 51 million dollars, 5 million being first and 46 million second category. But, as foreseen in the eighteenth Annual Report, "the mechanism already functioning is capable of adaptation and growth to meet new developments."

The new developments began with the Agreement for Intra-European Payments and Compensations for 1948-49, which was signed on October 16, 1948 and is described in detail in the nineteenth Annual Report.

The definitive total of drawing rights established for 1948-49 was 805.5 million dollars but only 677.0 million were utilised in the nine months, leaving "unused drawing rights" of 128.5 million: of this total, 2.5 million dollars were to be utilised under Supplementary Protocol No. 2 of March 31, 1949 to repurchase "off-shore" dollars of the

July-September quarter of 1948; 78.4 million dollars were carried forward to be utilised under the Agreement for 1949-50; and 45.7 million dollars were cancelled (leaving 1.8 million still outstanding at the end of March 1950).

The Agreement for 1948-49 expired at the end of June 1949 and there was an interregnum until the signing of the new Agreement early in September 1949. By a decision of the Council of OEEC the provisions of the Agreement of 1948-49 were extended for July 1949 as regards compensations only and compensations were carried out by the Agent on this basis; no drawing rights were available but the participating countries agreed to grant temporary credit, where necessary, to cover the period.

The Agreement for Intra-European Payments and Compensations for 1949-50 was signed on September 7, 1949, after several months of arduous negotiations, and remains in force until the completion of the operations for June 1950. Its general lines closely followed those of the earlier Agreement, with two important exceptions:

- (a) twenty-five per cent of the drawing rights were made multilateral (the other seventy-five per cent being bilateral as before); and
- (b) special arrangements were made to cover the estimated European surplus of Belgium.

The idea behind the establishment of multilateral drawing rights was that the country in whose favour they were established should be able to use the purchasing power thus provided where conditions (of price and quality, etc.) were most favourable. As in the previous year, the countries concerned made detailed estimates of the balance of payments in each bilateral relationship amongst Bilateral drawing the participating countries. rights similar to those under the previous agreement were established to cover three-quarters of the estimated deficits, after taking into account any "agreed existing resources" held by the debtor; a corresponding amount of "conditional aid" in ECA dollars was to be allocated to the creditor when the drawing rights were utilised.

For each debtor country multilateral drawing rights were then established, equal to one-third of the total bilateral drawing rights established in its favour according to Annex C of the Agreement; the "conditional aid" was to follow the multilateral drawing rights and be firmly alloted to the country on which the drawing rights were exercised. (The proportion of bilateral to multilateral drawing rights was subsequently changed in a number of cases as new bilateral drawing rights were established or old "unused" bilateral rights from 1948-49

were brought forward; it was also modified on account of the special arrangements for Belgium.)

The Agent was authorized to utilise multilateral drawing rights automatically to cover current deficits up to an amount equal to one-third of the bilateral drawing right originally established in that relationship. Further, multilateral drawing rights might be used by the Agent at the request of the debtor to cover a current monthly deficit:

- (a) in relation to a country which had established a bilateral drawing right in its favour (when this drawing right plus one-third had been fully utilised), and
- (b) in relation to a country which had not established a bilateral drawing right in favour of the particular debtor (so long as agreed existing resources had first been used up).

Characteristic points of the Agreement for 1949-50 which show some difference from the earlier scheme may be summarised as follows:

- (a) Portugal took part in the drawing-right system for 1949-50 so that, amongst the OEEC countries, only Switzerland did not join in this part of the Agreement.
- (b) The Agreement was made retroactive from July 1, 1949 (so that the July and August drawing rights were given together during the first operations).
- (c) Provisions regarding the utilisation of bilateral drawing rights "additional" to those necessary to cover the monthly deficit were tightened up as compared with the earlier scheme, so that amounts could be obtained only for specific purposes, viz. to avoid a settlement in gold or dollars or to repurchase gold or dollars paid and, in exceptional cases and for limited amounts during the early months of the scheme, to establish an adequate working balance. The tightening of the provisions was intended to prevent an unduly rapid utilisation of bilateral drawing rights with the object of obtaining multilateral drawing rights before they would otherwise have come into play.
- (d) Closely connected with (c) above was the insistence on the importance of the "ceiling" for the balances and debts outstanding on June 30, 1949. Drawing rights could be granted only to cover the cumulative deficits incurred and should not, therefore, have the effect of increasing a balance or decreasing a debt beyond the amount in existence when the payments plan came into force.
- (e) At least two comprehensive reviews of the working of the system were provided for during the period of the Agreement, and

(f) elaborate provision was made for the revision of bilateral drawing rights, circumstances justifying revision being set out in detail in Annex D of the Agreement.

(g) Unused bilateral drawing rights were to be put into a "pool" at the disposition of OEEC on the termination of the Agreement while unused multilateral drawing rights were to be cancelled (the Organisation making recommendations to ECA as to the disposal of the corresponding conditional aid).

Two new factors of great importance had their influence on the working of the Agreement for 1949-50 almost as soon as it was signed: the liberalisation of intra-European trade under the auspices of OEEC and the currency devaluations which took place in September 1949. Profound changes ensued in the volume and direction of intra-European surpluses and deficits of trade and vitiated the estimates made only a few weeks previously.

It is generally not possible to disentangle the effects of these two important factors, but in a few instances the causal connection seems fairly evident: (a) the heavy deficits before the devaluation of sterling and the subsequent recovery of the United Kingdom and (b) the large imports made by Western Germany at the same time as the measures of trade liberalisation came into force. In general, the effects of liberalisation of imports in most countries were felt only gradually (a number of restrictions being maintained), while the devaluations appeared, in subsequent months, to induce a less unbalanced position in current payments.

It may be mentioned in passing that, technically, the Agreement of 1949-50 proved to be far more complicated than the previous payments plan. The provisions for the use of multilateral drawing rights and drawings on the Belgian loans were new and the insistence on the "ceiling" of June 30, 1949 for all balances led to troublesome calculations. Further, the delay in signing the Agreement meant that the first operations had to cover two months, July and August 1949, and the devaluations of September produced problems of calculation which had not been clearly provided for in the Agreement and Directives. On this latter question it was necessary to have a special decision of the Council of OEEC which required renewed calculations for September (treating the month as two separate periods for drawing rights) and subsequent adjustments to the operations for that month (carried through with the operations for December).

The devaluations of September 1949 reduced the need for drawing rights (as denominated in dollars) in two ways. In the first place, the esti-

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mates of the bilateral positions made before the Agreement was signed were generally in national currencies, although the dollar equivalent figured in the table in Annex C of the Agreement as the amount of drawing rights established. Drawing rights are denominated in dollars until they are made available, when the equivalent in the national currency of the creditor country is actually drawn and credited to the debtor country. It follows that, as the remaining drawing rights, being denominated in dollars, underwent no change, the unused amounts, when expressed in the national currencies, were automatically increased. Secondly, the amount of drawing rights necessary was reduced by the effect which the devaluations had upon the flow of trade and payments in Europe, there being, as already mentioned, signs of a better balance in European trade from October 1949 onwards.

The payments plans were on a "gross" basis, and it is appropriate to note the decline in the gross amount of drawing rights from 677 million dollars (granted and received) in the nine months to June 1949 to 518 million dollars (granted and received) in the nine months to March 1950. But of special significance is the decline in the net amount of drawing rights by a round 200 million dollars: whereas certain countries such as Austria, Greece and the Netherlands showed no very great change, France was practically all square on 1949-50 after having been a net recipient of 280 million dollars in 1948-49; most of the corresponding decline in net drawing rights granted appears in the figures for the United Kingdom and Belgium.

Taking the eighteen months as a whole it still remains true that France was (as a country but not per head of the population) by far the greatest net recipient of drawing rights, followed by Greece, the Netherlands, Austria and Norway. And, on the other side of the account, Belgium and the United Kingdom granted by far the largest net amounts.

There was much discussion in Paris, and elsewhere, as to the advantages and the disadvantages of the European payments schemes. The advantages are fairly well known. Within the limits of ERP aid, and with no extra cost in dollars, it was possible to deal with the western-hemisphere and intra-European payments deficits in one combined ERP operation and thus to cover a very substantial part of each individual country's "overall" deficit. And, even though the drawing rights were bilateral, the plan permitted the OEEC countries to come out with a debit or a credit balance in their current payments amongst themselves, rather than being forced into direct bilateral balance in each individual relationship. Further, the "first-

category" compensations brought about the automatic offsetting of certain debts and credits inside Europe while the "second-category" permitted some administrative transferability of currencies amongst the participants.

The disadvantages of the payments plans have often been described and only brief mention need be made here:

- (a) They were too bilateral (and this applies also to the 1949-50 scheme in spite of some attempt at flexibility); this criticism must, indeed, hold for all such plans on a gross basis.
- (b) They were based on estimates of payments deficits and surpluses (made before each plan came into operation) which were bound to be subject to considerable error.
- (c) They gave no possibility of strengthening the reserve positions of the central banks, in many cases depleted to a dangerous extent in relation to the trade to be financed.
- (d) As a country had no incentive to economise drawing rights to increase its resources, the incentives were in the wrong direction. A country receiving a drawing right stood to lose if it were not used up and, thus, the incentive was to run a deficit. Similarly, the country granting the drawing right stood to lose the conditional dollar aid if the drawing right were not fully utilised (even though, circumstances having changed or the estimates having proved inaccurate, the drawing right was no longer necessary).

Although it is easy to exaggerate the importance of the wrong incentives in the payments plans (for other incentives, outside the plans, were far more important), yet there is no doubt that the payments schemes were too bilateral in nature, and experience has proved that estimates of the balances of payments in individual relationships, made a year ahead, are often misleading. Nevertheless, in spite of imperfections, the drawing-right system was of real assistance at the time of most need and not only helped to prevent a breakdown but ensured a continuing and growing flow of intra-European trade. The scheme for 1948-49 was in the nature of an emergency measure, while that for 1949-50 was negotiated under the shadow of the coming devaluations and bore all the marks of difficult compromise.

After the devalutions of September 1949 had cleared the air and it was found that a better balance appeared to have been attained in European trade (through some reduction of the extreme debtor and creditor positions), it became possible to consider a new plan which would be without the vices of the earlier ones. Discussions took

place in the OEEC in Paris and the ECA in Paris and Washington; these ideas were reflected in Mr. Hoffman's Paris speech of October 31, 1949, when he said, inter alia:

"Even when effective means are found to coordinate financial policies and to promote needed exchange rate changes, there are still bound to be temporary disturbances in the flow of trade and payments between countries. Their whole impact should not be allowed to fall upon the gold and dollar reserves of the individual countries. I believe, therefore, that an . . . essential of any plan you devise must be a means to cushion the effect of these inevitable temporary disturbances. . . .

"By a program, I mean a realistic plan to meet the fundamental requirements I have described. Perhaps you will accomplish this through adaptation of existing institutions. Perhaps you will find that new central institutions are needed."

This speech was followed by a resolution of the Council of OEEC on November 2, 1949, regarding further measures of cooperation. In the preamble the Council

"recognises that it may be desirable to provide for a closer monetary and economic association on a regional basis. . ."

and, in the text of the resolution, the Council decided, as regards intra-European payments,

"to widen the area of transferability of currencies among the member countries by suitable measures in the next intra-European payments scheme and by such additional arrangements and central institutions as may be appropriate to this end."

The current payments plan for 1949-50 will terminate after the operations in respect of the month of June 1950 and a further scheme must be provided to carry on from that date.

Progress on the elaboration of a European Payments Union has been fully reported in the world press and it is unnecessary here to follow the vicissitudes of the negotiations over the past six months; the committees of OEEC, with the close cooperation of ECA, have examined in detail the various suggestions put forward and, by the end of May, their views had arrived at a point of crystallisation when progress could be reported by the Payments Committee to the Council of Ministers and by OEEC to the public.

Whatever may be the final shape of EPU it appears necessary for it to be built upon the existing mechanism in Europe and, at the request of OEEC, the Bank for International Settlements has signified that it is agreeable in principle to perform

the banking functions. The experience which the Bank has gained in this field derives from its having acted as Agent under six agreements (including the three separate Belgium loan agreements). In the twenty-eight months to the end of March 1950 a turnover equivalent to 1,432 million dollars had passed through the Basle mechanism (in the form of compensations, drawing rights and loans), while a total of 1,172 million dollars of conditional aid had been firmly allotted by the United States Economic Cooperation Administration to the participating countries at the request of the Agent.

In conclusion, it seems appropriate to stress the fact that regional agreements such as the suggested European Payments Union can only be useful if they constitute definite steps towards convertibility of currencies on a world-wide basis; steps such as the loosening of exchange and other restrictions, the liberalisation and multilateralisation of payments, with the gradual giving-up of bilateral arrangements and the strengthening of central-bank reserves, all tend in this direction.

Conclusion

The year 1949 presents a curiously woven web of fears, troubles and solid achievements. fears have not been groundless: apart from the political anxiety, whose influence on business could easily be overrated, there have been at least three very difficult adjustments which have had to be faced: a 30 per cent fall in the prices of primary products on world markets, a business recession in the United States which brought the index for industrial production down by 17 per cent between November 1948 and July 1949, and devaluations of currencies in countries responsible for two-thirds of world trade. Each of these adjustments might have caused a host of troubles; but by the end of the year any nervousness had been overcome and had given place to a feeling that one more stage had been passed in the task of reconstruction. It seems, indeed, a very real achievement that these three hurdles were taken with so little disturbance to the more fundamental line of improvement. Unruffled by these and other upsets, production in Europe continued to advance at the high rate of over 6 per cent per annum and agricultural output regained its prewar level; budget deficits had no longer to be met by inflationary financing and the deficits in the balances of payments were compressed; with the exception of two or three countries in special circumstances, employment remained at high levels.

With all this went a steady liberation from the shackles of wartime controls which found its ex-

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pression in courageous decision by the OEEC Council in Paris to liberalise trade as part of the European Recovery Program. The same spirit was at work in each particular country, irrespective of the political régime in power, rationing being lifted, more and more prices being freed from control, foreign travel being facilitated and greater possibilities granted for the transfer of money, a number of currencies becoming practically convertible under conditions which permitted a certain increase of monetary reserves—in short, restrictions were eased in almost every field. Increased supplies from domestic production and imports of foreign goods have provided the basis for these measures of liberation, with a psychological background in a revolt by the peoples themselves against controls and rationing. It seems certain that, barring any grave calamity, there will be no turning back to the system of controls, now disappearing from land to land.

This attitude of the people, which springs from ten years' experience of government supervision, has some important consequences. In the first place, it is no longer possible to contemplate solutions to current problems which would involve an intensification of the system of physical controls. While the war lasted, no country could avoid doses of inflation to mobilise the resources required in a national emergency, and it was then not only natural but essential that physical controls should be imposed in order to make the redundant supply of money as innocuous as possible. But it is characteristic of a wartime economy that it eats into the accumulated assets of the past and thus represents the reverse of economic progress. It would be an illusion to think that similar methods could usefully be employed in peacetime; attempts to replace an insufficient flow of genuine savings by some process of artificial credit expansion, or eternally to keep down rates of interest by a systematic open market policy, will only produce a state of excessive liquidity in which the artificial addition to domestic demand will tend to increase imports and impair the flow of exports. result will be a persistent deficit in the balance of payments, which has to be met by real resourcesthrough assistance from abroad or as a charge on the country's own reserves. The great drawback involved by such practices is that no natural balance will be reached, so that one critical situation after another will arise. It may be possible by a succession of expedients to put off the attack on the real problems for a time; but these problems will remain, and one day a halt will have to be called to the continuance of excessive investments, the creation of artificial income and reliance on foreign

aid. In these respects, progress has been achieved but there are still economies with difficult adjustments to make. And, when it comes to determining the possible volume of investments, it must not be taken for granted that a budget surplus achieved by heavy taxation will always produce an addition to the flow of savings; for there is clearly the risk of a reduction in private savingsand then the ultimate effect may be a deadening of initiative and enterprise.

Were it possible to impose a full measure of control, including administrative direction of labour, a system might be constructed which would be self-consistent and could thus be made to work without internal contradictions. But the kind of piecemeal intervention which has been in vogue in so many countries since the war has failed to afford any general guidance and it seems a sorry misnomer to refer to it as "planning."

The disappearance of physical controls in no way implies that the authorities should remain passive in the face of all the problems which wait for solu-There are still important means of action available to them: it has become increasingly clear that a proper distribution of resources between home and foreign markets can be carried out through the working of the monetary mechanism and that a free and trusted currency will lead to an increase of genuine savings, furnishing the funds for further investments. Once money has been made sufficiently scarce in relation to available supplies, a multitude of troubles and problems vanish almost of their own accord; the more freely money can be used, the more readily will it be There is in our generation a great and kept. understandable striving for security; let it be remembered that monetary security is a most valuable kind of security, benefiting all members of society and very highly appreciated by those who have once lost it. It would be a great misfortune if after all the difficulties overcome in recent years -often at the cost of considerable sacrifices-there should be a failure to take the further steps necessary to consolidate the progress already made and to prepare the way for new advances. In this respect, the year 1950, the mid-term of Marshall aid, is of outstanding importance, the wartime shortages having been overcome and exchange rates having been more generally adjusted to what may become their permanent levels.

Fortunately, there is now a much greater understanding of the inescapable connection between internal financial policies and the outcome of balances of payments, and also of the fact that exchange and trade restrictions may well curtail imports and yet fail to improve the foreign position

(since the purchasing power which they confine to the home market absorbs goods otherwise available for export) and that in any case they tend to repel any voluntary influx of funds. There is certainly a growing lack of belief that physical controls can master the problems either of domestic trade or of the balance of payments, while it is the peculiar quality of freely functioning markets that they naturally tend to produce equilibrium and may be found to do so at less cost to the individual consumer and to society—provided, of course, that the more basic problems of economic balance have not been left in abeyance.

When it is asked what will happen at the end of the Marshall Plan the immediate answer is clearly that much depends on what is done in the remaining period of Marshall aid. Here it is only possible to point to a few of the main tasks:

- (i) It was heavy government expenditure that provoked the war and postwar inflations and, though much has been done towards discarding inflationary methods of financing, the present level of public expenditure in many countries is still very high in relation to the national income, thus placing a most heavy burden on economic enterprise and drying up the flow of personal savings. There are deficits to be covered in railway administrations, heavy charges in various branches of the central and local governments, and investment programmes essentially dependent on foreign aid. To overhaul the whole apparatus of public expenditure and revenue is a task that may have to be approached in different ways in different countries but can be neglected in none.
- (ii) Few are the centres in which the money and capital markets are as yet in regular working order. There is a general move towards flexibility of interest rates; it has been encouraging to find how often relatively small changes in interest rates have been sufficient to exert a considerable influence in the market, proving themselves very helpful towards a return to equilibrium. But a capital market must be able to count on a steady supply of fresh savings. In this field, too, it is necessary to examine what are the main objectives in view and to establish an order of priority; among the most essential immediate tasks is that of putting the monetary machinery itself into working order, which also requires a reconstitution of monetary reserves.
- (iii) In the industrial sphere attention must not be focused exclusively on the volume of investments, forgetting the fact that efficiency is very largely the result of employing appropriate methods at the different stages of the production process, it

being possible for relatively small firms to fill a useful place side by side with the large concerns. With the disappearance of sellers' markets, each manufacturer must be more than ever concerned to produce what the buyer, now free to choose, actually wants—and this involves problems which can hardly be solved without constant attention to the shifting trends of free markets. Moreover, it is obvious that the best protection for the consumer against too heavy charges is greater freedom for imports, it being therefore necessary to synchronise the abolition of price control with liberation of foreign trade.

- (iv) Much valuable experience has been gained as to the methods of affording greater latitude for foreign payments: it has proved possible and useful to proceed step by step, beginning with a greater freedom of movement for bank notes and progressing until free exchange markets have been re-established.
- (v) In the economic field there are several problems of a more international character which go beyond the possibilities of action by individual countries. Some of these are being considered by the OEEC organisation in Paris and the United Nations Economic Commission in Geneva; others are of even wider scope for a Europe vitally dependent on obtaining foodstuffs and raw materials in trade with overseas countries and an additional supply of dollars through indirect trade. In order that competitive sellers from European as well as other countries may give of their best, an expanding world market is required, and it is difficult to see how such a result can be attained without an increased outlet in the United States for more manufactured goods.
- (vi) Another problem in the international field concerns the settlement of liabilities affecting the balances of payments. After the first world war, many illusions were entertained as to the amounts that could be transferred between different countries and continents, the neglect of economic realities being one of the factors contributing to the severity of the ensuing depression. It is officially recognised that certain similar questions now before us need further study and it can only be hoped that this time they will be arranged in a way that does not unsettle the world economy.

Europe has made considerable progress towards equilibrium in its balance of payments, the overall deficit on current account being reduced from 7.4 billion dollars in 1947 to 2.9 billion in 1949. It is true that there is still a considerable deficit in the direct balance with the United States, recent

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progress being rather in relation to Latin America and southeastern Asia. But Europe has a vital interest in regaining its old markets and resuming the traditional pattern of trade which, built up in the course of a hundred years, may be taken to reflect the deep-seated needs of many economies. Such a return to tradition, however, requires the proviso that sales should be made increasingly in free markets, with settlements in internationally recognised means of payment.

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To have to adapt the currents of commerce to compartments coinciding with particular currency areas or established by bilateral arrangements, or to grant credits and loans with the proceeds tied to purchases in specified countries, can only lead to a distortion of foreign trade and payments; and, in order to get away from such pernicious influences, progress must be made along the road to multilateralism and convertibility. It was generally recognised at the end of the second world war that the restoration of convertibility should be regarded as one of the more immediate aims of postwar policy. It may be that, in influential circles, there was too great a tendency to force the pace in the first few years, and that the setbacks which were suffered produced a rather hesitant state of mind. But, in view of the importance of unhampered and all-round trade for the nations of Europe, convertibility must be regarded not as a distant goal to be reached within a decade or two but as a primary objective to be attained within the few remaining years of Marshall aid, under conditions which, though different from those of twenty years ago, may hold out the hope of enduring settlements in an atmosphere of unquestioned monetary stability.

CURRENT EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Appointment of Mr. Powell to the Board of Governors

Mr. Oliver S. Powell, First Vice President of the Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis, was nominated from the Ninth Federal Reserve District on July 12 by President Truman to be a member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, to fill the unexpired portion of the term ending January 31, 1952, left vacant by the death of Governor Lawrence Clayton. The appointment was confirmed by the Senate on August 9, 1950.

Mr. Powell was born in White Rock, South Dakota, September 17, 1896. He graduated from the University of Minnesota in 1917 where he specialized in banking, accounting, and foreign languages and received honors in economics. He joined the foreign service of the National City Bank of New York and was assigned to the Petrograd Branch of that Bank for six months in 1917 and 1918 when the outbreak of the Bolshevik Revolution occurred. Mr. Powell escaped through Siberia to return to the United States.

After service in the United States Navy from August 1918 until August 1920 as a Supply Officer on troop transports and destroyers, he joined the Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis in the Business Research Division. In June 1927 he became head of the Bank's Research Department and Edi-

tor of its Monthly Business Review and served as such until July 1936 when he was appointed a Vice President of the Bank. In November 1936 he was selected as the First Vice President and has served in that capacity since that time.

Mr. Powell has been active for many years in banking and civic affairs. He has headed various Reserve System committees on operating and related problems. In addition to developing two motion pictures on the Reserve System and a book, "Your Money and the Federal Reserve System," he has conducted classes in central banking for instructors in money and banking and is the author of a booklet "Questions and Answers on Gold."

He was the first educational director of the Minneapolis Chapter of the American Institute of Banking and subsequently its President. He has been a lecturer at the Graduate School of Banking, under the auspices of the American Bankers Association, at Rutgers University from 1939 to the present time and is well known to the graduates of that school in banks throughout the country. He has been a lecturer for the past five years at the Central States School of Banking, Madison, Wisconsin, and previously a lecturer in evening classes at the University of Minnesota.

Mr. Powell was a special consultant on investments of social insurance reserves for the Committee on Economic Security in 1934 and a special consultant in the development of the statistical office of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation in 1934 and 1935. In addition, he has been active in the YMCA, Boy Scouts of America, Minneapolis Chamber of Commerce, and the Northwest Shippers Advisory Board. He is an honorary member of Beta Gamma Sigma and Delta Sigma Pi. He is married and has three children, all married, and three grandchildren.

Publication of the Annual Report of the Board of Governors

The Thirty-sixth Annual Report of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, covering operations for the calendar year 1949, is available for distribution. Copies may be obtained upon request from the Board's Division of Administrative Services, Washington 25, D. C.

Resignation of Class C Director

On July 19, 1950, the Board of Governors accepted the resignation of Mr. Philip T. Sharples, Chairman of Board, The Sharples Corporation, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, as a Class C director of the Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia. Mr.

Sharples had served as a Class C director since June 9, 1949.

Appointment of Branch Director

On August 14, 1950, the Board of Governors announced the appointment of Mr. John E. Corette, Jr., Vice President and Assistant General Manager, Montana Power Company, Butte, Montana, as a director of the Helena Branch of the Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis for the unexpired portion of the term ending December 31, 1950. Mr. Corette succeeds Mr. James A. McCain, President, Montana State University, Missoula, Montana, who resigned.

Admissions of State Banks to Membership in the Federal Reserve System

The following State banks were admitted to membership in the Federal Reserve System during the period June 16, 1950 to July 15, 1950:

Indiana

Whiting-State Bank of Whiting

Oregon

Cave Junction—Bank of Illinois Valley, Cave Junction, Oregon

Texas

Bellaire-First State Bank of Bellaire

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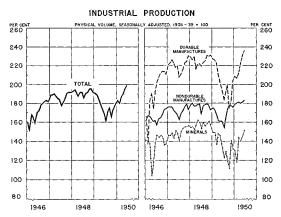
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Industrial production and construction activity increased further in June to new peacetime peaks. Following the outbreak of hostilities in Korea near the end of the month, buying showed a marked upsurge and commodity prices generally rose considerably in both wholesale and retail markets. Common stock prices declined sharply for a time. Prices of United States Government securities generally showed little change. Bank credit continued to expand. On July 19 a large-scale Federal program was proposed for expanding defense production and curbing inflationary developments.

INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION

The Board's production index rose another 4 points in June to 199. Although output of steel and some other basic materials had been at or close to capacity levels in May, continued strong demands resulted in further increases in production of most major groups of manufactures and minerals in June. In early July output declined temporarily owing to holiday and vacation influences.

Production of durable goods increased substantially further in June, mainly because of gains in the automobile and machinery industries. Automobile assembly, which had been at a new record rate in May, increased 23 per cent further in June,



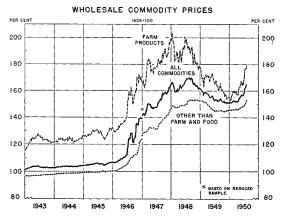
Federal Reserve indexes. Monthly figures, latest shown are for June.

and activity in machinery industries continued the marked rise which began in early spring. Steel production was maintained in June at the capacity level reached in April. Refinery output of nonferrous metals expanded considerably further, but supplies available, after increased takings for Government stockpiles, continued substantially below industry demands. Mine production of copper and iron ore also expanded.

Output of nondurable goods increased somewhat further in June, reflecting mainly continued gains in rayon and woolen textiles, paper, petroleum, rubber, and chemical products. Tire production was at a new record, and a substantial expansion in output of synthetic rubber was initiated. Activity at cotton mills declined somewhat.

Construction

Value of construction contracts awarded in June was maintained at the spring peak level reflecting continued expansion in awards for public work which offset further small declines in private awards. The number of housing units started in June was maintained at the record May level and for the first half of the year totaled 687,000 units, as compared with 449,000 units started during the first half of 1949.



Bureau of Labor Statistics' indexes. Weekly figures, latest shown are for week ending Aug. 1.

EMPLOYMENT

Employment in nonagricultural establishments rose by about 300 thousand persons in June, after allowance for seasonal changes. About one-half of this increase occurred in industries producing durable manufactures; there were also gains in employment in construction and transportation activities.

AGRICULTURE

Total crop production this year, according to July 1 estimates, is expected to be 6 per cent less than last year when stocks increased and exports were somewhat larger. Considerably smaller cotton and wheat crops are in prospect, but feed crops may approach last year's large harvest. Marketings of meat animals recently have been in about the same seasonally low volume as a year ago, while production of milk and eggs has been larger.

DISTRIBUTION

Consumer buying increased considerably beginning in the latter part of June, influenced largely by international developments. Sales at department stores in mid-July were 24 per cent larger than in the corresponding period a year ago; sales in the preceding 2 weeks were 9 per cent larger. New automobile sales increased further and the volume was limited only by the supply available. Anticipatory buying was also evident for various other durable and semidurable goods and such foodstuffs as coffee and sugar. Distributors' stocks of most consumer goods, except passenger cars, had previ-



Common stock prices, Standard and Poor's Corporation; corporate bond yields, Moody's Investors Service; U. S. Government bond yields, U. S. Treasury Department. Weekly figures, latest shown are for July 26.

ously been rising following the recovery in production last summer.

COMMODITY PRICES

Wholesale prices have generally risen considerably during the past 4 weeks, following earlier marked advances in April and May. The sharpest increases have been in prices of farm and food products, particularly livestock, meats, imported foodstuffs, and cotton. Cotton prices on July 21 were about one-fourth above the Federal loan level.

Prices of most industrial materials have advanced further in recent weeks, with especially marked increases in building materials, textiles, rubber, and tin. Prices of most metals have been maintained at earlier advanced levels.

Prices of some additional finished industrial products have been advanced during this period, and with retail food prices increasing sharply, a substantial further rise is indicated in the level of consumers' prices.

BANK CREDIT

Loans to real estate owners and consumers and holdings of corporate and municipal securities showed further substantial increases at banks in leading cities during June and the first half of July. Loans to businesses also expanded. Holdings of United States Government securities fluctuated considerably but declined somewhat over the period.

Treasury deposits at the Reserve Banks which had been built up through tax payments in the latter part of June were drawn down during the first three reporting weeks of July, supplying reserve funds to member banks. These funds were absorbed by reduction in Federal Reserve holdings of United States Government securities. The System continued to sell Treasury bonds and also sold bills and certificates, and these sales were offset in part by purchases of notes.

SECURITY MARKETS

Common stock prices fell 13 per cent from the latter part of June to the middle of July, reflecting developments in Korea, but recovered part of the decline during the third week. Demand for United States Government securities broadened throughout this period. With virtually no change in prices of long-term Treasury bonds, a moderate decline in the prices of high-grade corporate obligations resulted in some widening of the narrow spread between yields of these securities.

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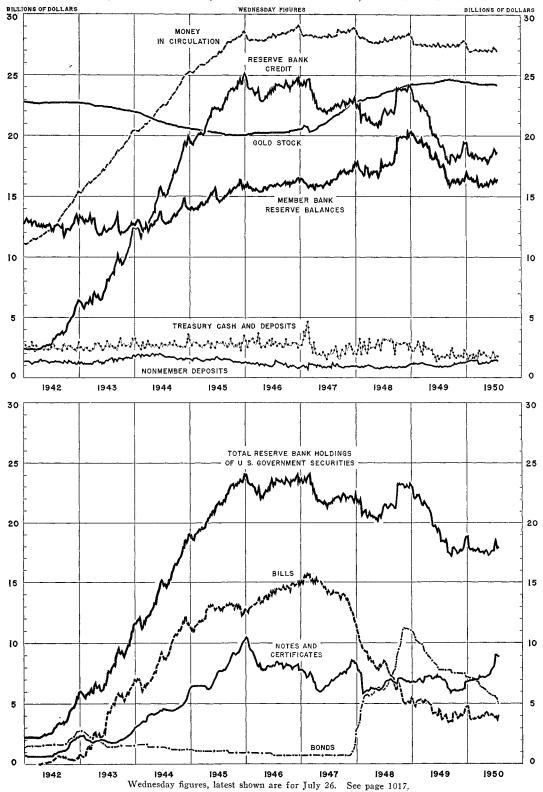
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MEMBER BANK RESERVES, RESERVE BANK CREDIT, AND RELATED ITEMS

[In millions of dollars]

	R	leserve I	Bank cre	dit outs	tandin	g									ember ba	
Date or period	Dis-		Govern securitie				Gold stock	Treas- ury cur- rency	Money in cir- cula-	Treas- ury cash	Treas- ury de- posits with Federal	Non- mem- ber de-	Other Fed- eral Re-			
	and ad- vances	Total	Bonds	Bills, certifi- cates, and notes	All other ¹	Total		out- stand- ing	tion	hold- ings	Re- serve Banks	posits	serve ac- counts	Total	Re- quired²	Ex- cess ²
Wednesday figures:																
1949—June 1 June 8 June 15 June 22 June 29	158 157 139 670 150	19,767 19,594 19,461 19,166 19,517	8,274 8,202 8,051 7,932 7,780	11,493 11,392 11,410 11,234 11,737	220 205 311 277 209	20,145 19,956 19,911 20,113 19,875	24,342 24,381 24,423 24,421 24,466	4,595 4,596 4,596 4,596 4,597	27,484 27,391 27,345	1,321 1,315 1,309 1,304 1,324	622 378 9 508 497	911 946 906 943 959	637 639 708 715 719	18,076 18,170 18,606 18,314 18,013	17,288 17,249 17,387 17,348 17,334	788 921 1,219 966 679
July 6 July 13 July 20 July 27	[360	19,343 18,842 18,474 18,490	7,780	11,563 11,062 10,694 10,710	321 297 262 169	19,779 19,279 19,096 19,075	24,471 24,513 24,518 24,520	4,597 4,596 4,595 4,594	27,480 27,366	1,306 1,317 1,310 1,307	262 371 449 447	898 973 930 877	740	17,415	16,518 16,493 16,522 16,586	1,462 1,013 893 900
Aug. 3 Aug. 10 Aug. 17 Aug. 24 Aug. 31	240 115	18,693 18,606 18,226 17,803 17,524	7,775	10,913 10,831 10,451 10,028 9,749	163	19,213 18,924 18,694 18,081 18,225	24,610	4,593 4,592 4,592 4,591 4,593	27,419 27,409 27,383 27,328 27,389	1,312 1,314 1,313 1,321 1,310	411 370 444 485 610	970 948	691 688 691	17,347 17,096 16.509	16,490 16,513 15,799 15,596 15,337	834
Sept. 7 Sept. 14 Sept. 21 Sept. 28	146	17,413 17,250 17,154 17,852	7,538	9,638 9,475 9,616 10,314	431 333	17,780 17,804 17,633 18,397	24,649 24,691	4,592 4,592 4,591 4,590	27,589 27,454 27,365 27,348	1,317 1,312 1,314 1,311	472 334 801 1,170	962	691 713	16,322 15,760	15,064 15,207 15,244 15,139	931 1,115 516 877
Oct. 5 Oct. 12 Oct. 19 Oct. 26	109 122	17,961 17,779 17,666 17,403	7,538	10,423 10,241 10,128 9,865	414 369	18,406 18,301 18,157 17,833	24,604 24,585	4,593 4,592 4,591 4,591	27,546 27,427	1,321 1,296 1,310 1,313	317	1,247	734 732	16,119 $16,405$	15,242 15,211 15,330 15,314	1,142 908 1,075 784
Nov. 2 Nov. 9 Nov. 16 Nov. 23 Nov. 30	124 133	17,533 17,706 17,789 17,669 17,682	7,532	9,997 10,171 10,257 10,156 10,169	438	18,416 18,185 18,351 18,091 18,267	124.530	4,591 4,592 4,592 4,596 4,596	27,382 27,528 27,397 27,508 27,543	1,318 1,312 1,323 1,315 1,317	j 410	1,219 1,220 1,224 1,306 1,238	691	16,437 16,145 16,432 15,987 16,038	15,319 15,262 15,346 15,361 15,367	1,118 883 1,086 626 671
Dec. 7 Dec. 14 Dec. 21 Dec. 28	l 107	17,931 18,169 18,538 18,789	7.512	10,419 10,657 11,301 11,558	455 842	18,628 18,731 19,508 19,379	24,476 24,427	4,596 4,596 4,595 4,598	27,701 27,833	1,309 1,314 1,309 1,314	441 393 1,027 987	1,273 1,267	690 756	16,291 16,433 16,337 16,299	15,561	896 872 814 837
1950—Jan. 4 Jan. 11 Jan. 18 Jan. 25	99 97	18,829 18,230 17,872 17,764	7,165	11,617 11,065 10,738 10,634	315 414	19,471 18,644 18,383 18,300	24,426 24,426	4,597 4,596 4,596 4,596	27,121	1,319 1,313 1,315 1,321	547 255 381 539	1,382	719 719	17,055 16,686 16,487 16,419	15,597 15,593 15,630 15,617	1,458 1,093 857 802
Feb. 1 Feb. 8 Feb. 15 Feb. 21	223 267	17,855 17,656 17,781 17,625	6,969	10,752 10,687 10,861 10,738	267	18,620 18,146 18,581 18,092	24.345	4,599 4,598 4,598 4,598	26,985 26,993	1,318 1,313 1,313 1,311	637 366 671 380	1,432	728 731		15,383 15,428	998 809 1,017 748
Mar. 1 Mar. 8 Mar. 15 Mar. 22 Mar. 29	186	17,757 17,846 17,791 17,573 17,516	0,529	10,917 11,042 11,176 11,044 11,101	431 402 277	18,454 18,363 18,264 18,036 18,144	24,345 24,320 24,271	4,600 4,601 4,601 4,600 4,599	27,105 27,023 26,972	1,316 1,322 1,307 1,308 1,321	555 433 9 759 997	1,454 1,315 1,139	736 739 759 761 766	16,288 16,258 16,771 15,969 15,782	15,347 15,261 15,405 15,324 15,268	941 997 1,366 645 514
Apr. 5 Apr. 12 Apr. 19 Apr. 26	160 137	17,572 17,597 17,410 17,640	6,327	11,215 11,270 11,190 11,436	311 381	18,132 18,068 17,928 18,141	24,247 24,247	4,601 4,600 4,600 4,600	26,992	1,317 1,313 1,319 1,316	587 64 7	1,167 1,177 1,261 1,208	769 769 771 772	15,971 15,996 15,786 15,898	15,209 15,248 15,265 15,243	762 748 521 655
May 3 May 10 May 17 May 24 May 31	90 79 106	17,711 17,591 17,401 17,290 17,389	6,098 5,976 5,911 5,854 5,802	11,613 11,615 11,490 11,436 11,587	297 521 288	18,192 17,978 18,001 17,683 17,935	$\begin{bmatrix} 24,249 \\ 24,230 \\ 24,230 \end{bmatrix}$	4,602 4,602 4,601 4,601 4,606	27,041 26,980 26,908	1,292	533	1,314 1,293 1,246	717 716	15,907 16,123	15,224 15,147 15,275 15,305 15,288	762 760 848 617 526
June 7 June 14 June 21 June 28	79 74	17,672 17,693 17,679 18,217	5,650	11,946 12,012 12,029 12,573	498 508	18,143 18,270 18,261 18,567	$24,232 \\ 24,231$	4,605 4,604 4,604 4,608	26,993 26,926	1,294	529	1,447	735 784	16,309 16,169	15,350 15,433 15,522 15,468	717 876 647 520
July 5 July 12 July 19 July 26	199	18,586 18,294 17,869 17,964	5,286	13,031 12,883 12,583 12,967	407	18,950 18,757 18,475 18,636	24,207	4,607 4,606 4,606 4,605	27,029	1,302 1,309 1,310 1,315	525	1,457 1,462	804 804	16,448 16,157	15,469 15,550 15,486 15,568	785 898 9671 9847

Preliminary.
 Includes industrial loans and acceptances purchased shown separately in subsequent tables.
 Wednesday figures and end-of-month figures (shown on next page) are estimates.
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MEMBER BANK RESERVES, RESERVE BANK CREDIT, AND RELATED ITEMS-Continued

[In millions of dollars]

	R	eserve l	Bank cr	edit out	standin	g									mber ba	
Date or period	Dis-		Govern					Treas- ury cur-	Money in cir-	Treas- ury cash	Treas- ury de- posits with	Non- mem-	Other Fed- eral Re-			
Date of period	counts and ad- vances	Total	Bonds	Bills, certifi- cates, and notes	All other ¹	Total	stock	out- stand- ing	out- stand-		Federal Re- serve Banks	serve		Total	Re- quired²	Ex- cess²
End of period:																
1929—June 29 1933—June 30 1939—Dec. 30 1941—Dec. 31 1945—June 30 1946—June 29 Dec. 31 1947—June 30 Dec. 31 1948—June 30 Dec. 31	46 249 157 163 70 85 265	216 1,998 2,484 2,254 21,792 24,262 23,783 23,350 21,872 22,559 21,366 23,333	441 1,351 1,467 1,113 947 755 753 727 2,853 6,206	1,133 787 20,679 23,315 23,028 22,597 21,145 19,706 15,160	58 102 104 466 580 516 581 228 536 268	1,400 2,220 2,593 2,361 22,304 25,091 24,456 24,093 22,170 23,181 21,900 24,097	4,031 17,644 22,737 20,213 20,065 20,270 20,529 21,266 22,754 23,532	4,339 4,539 4,562	4,459 5,434 7,598 11,160 26,746 28,515 28,245 28,952 28,297 28,868 27,903 28,224	264 2,409 2,215 2,279 2,287 2,251 2,272 1,314 1,336	35 634 867 599 977 833 393 756 870 1,928	1,308 1,250 822 881 961 859	346 251 291 450 495 561 607 629 563 592	15,915 16,123 16,139 16,112 17,899 17,389	1,817 6,444	23 475 5,209 3,085 1,585 1,458 1,112 562 738 1,499 742 1,202
1949—June	316 531 109 283 321	19,343 18,529 17,524 18,010 17,316 17,682 18,885	7,780 7,775 7,538 7,536 7,513	11,563 10,749 9,749 10,472 9,780 10,169 11,667	393 171 297 261 263	19,696 19,238 18,225 18,415 17,860 18,267 19,499	24,520 24,608 24,602 24,584 24,479	4,593 4,593 4,593 4,592	27,493 27,394 27,393 27,412 27,407 27,543 27,600	1,311 1,307 1,317	1,176 595 517	914 1,051 1,187 1,238	690 690 713 690 689	17,437 16,512 15,947 15,850 16,038	16,919 16,685 15,337 15,176 15,261 15,367 15,550	589 671
1950—JanFeb Feb Mar May June July	131 225 113 306 43	17,827 17,746 17,592 17,796 17,389 18,331 17,969	6,857 6,397 6,155 5,802 5,618	10,715 10,889 11,195 11,641 11,587 12,713 13,081	349 253 392 239 329	18,326 18,226 18,070 18,301 17,935 18,703 18,466	24,345 24,246 24,247 24,231	4,602 4,602 4,603 4,606 4,607	27,156	1,315 1,308 1,309 1,298	1,006 858 588 950	1,426 1,132 1,347 1,254 1,431	730 766 712 718 771	15,973 15,657 15,878 15,814 15,934	15,513 15,390 15,150 15,202 15,288 15,504 p15,525	507 676 526 430
Averages of daily figures:																
1949—June. July. Aug. Sept. Oct. Nov. Dec.	202 190 164 136 215	19,377 18,797 18,147 17,441 17,643 17,664 18,287	7,780 7,777 7,649 7,538 7,528	11,331 11,017 10,370 9,792 10,105 10,136 10,927	344 245 352 361 347	19,896 19,342 18,583 17,957 18,139 18,226 19,012	24,502 24,588 24,637 24,596 24,533	4,595 4,592 4,592 4,592	27,472 27,397 27,451 27,456 27,477	1,306 1,312 1,310 1,305 1,311	391 521 649 555 457	970 990 1,171 1,296	736 690 703 727 691	17,558 16,873 16,083 16,113 16,119	17,310 16,539 15,918 15,161 15,251 15,308 15,488	758 1,019 955 922 862 811 803
1950—Jan Feb Mar Apr May June July	178 170 140 116 84	18,082 17,705 17,682 17,608 17,486 17,486 17,800 18,129	6,948 6,640 6,274 5,937 5,683	10,925 10,757 11,042 11,334 11,549 12,117 12,832	427 389 388 403 440	18,649 18,310 18,242 18,136 18,005 18,325 18,703	24,346 24,311 24,247 24,236 24,231	4,598 4,600 4,601 4,602 4,605	27,043 27,062 27,022 27,026	1,310 1,307 1,313 1,302 1,299	585 638 695 563 512	1,478 1,331 1,250 1,299 1,372	728 752 764 717 759	16,146 16,081 15,898 15,941	15,585 15,409 15,298 15,204 15,237 15,428	936 737 783 694 704 766

For footnotes see preceding page.

MAXIMUM RATES ON TIME DEPOSITS

[Per cent per annum]

	Nov. 1, 1933-	Feb. 1, 1935-	Effective
	Jan. 31, 1935	Dec. 31, 1935	Jan. 1, 1936
Savings deposits Postal Savings deposits Other deposits payable:	3 3	2½ 2½ 2½	2½ 2½ 2½
In 6 months or more		21/2	2½
In 90 days to 6 months		21/2	2
In less than 90 days		21/2	1

Note.—Maximum rates that may be paid by member banks as established by the Board of Governors under provisions of Regulation Q. Under this Regulation the rate payable by a member bank may not in any event exceed the maximum rate payable by State banks or trust companies on like deposits under the laws of the State in which the member bank is located. Maximum rates that may be paid by insured nonmember banks as established by the F.D.I.C., effective Feb. 1, 1936, are the same as those in effect for member banks.

MARGIN REQUIREMENTS 1

[Per cent of market value]

Prescribed in accordance with Securities Exchange Act of 1934	Jan. 21, 1946- Jan. 31, 1947	Feb. 1, 1947- Mar. 29, 1949	Effective Mar. 30, 1949
Regulation T: For extensions of credit by brokers and dealers on listed securities For short sales. Regulation U: For loaus by banks on stocks	100	75	50
	100	75	50
	100	75	50

¹ Regulations T and U limit the amount of credit that may be extended on a security by prescribing a maximum loan value, which is a specified percentage of its market value at the time of the extension; the "margin requirements" shown in this table are the difference between the market value (100%) and the maximum loan value.

Back figures.—See Banking and Monetary Statistics, Table 145, p. 504, and BULLETIN for March 1946, p. 295.

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK DISCOUNT RATES

[Per cent per annum]

-		Discounts fo	or and adva	ances to me	mber banks		Advances to individuals, partnerships, or corporations other than member banks secured by direct obligations of the U. S. (last par. Sec. 13)			
Federal Reserve Bank	obligati	s secured by Government of the secured by eligit (Secs. 13 and 13)	s of and ble paper	Oth	er secured adva [Sec. 10(b)]	nces				
	Rate on July 31	In effect beginning—	Previous rate	Rate on July 31	In effect Previous rate		Rate on July 31	In effect beginning—	Previous rate	
Boston. New York. Philadelphia Cleveland Richmond. Atlanta Chicago St. Louis Minneapolis Kansas City Dallas San Francisco.		Aug. 13, 1948 Aug. 13, 1948 Aug. 23, 1948 Aug. 13, 1948	1 1 4 1 1 4 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2	Aug. 13, 1948 Aug. 13, 1948 Aug. 23, 1948 Aug. 13, 1948	1 3 4 1 3 4	21/2 21/2 21/2 21/2 21/2 21/2 21/2 21/2	Jan. 14, 1948 ² Oct. 30, 1942 Aug. 23, 1948 Aug. 13, 1948 ² Oct. 28, 1942 Jan. 24, 1948 Aug. 13, 1948 Jan. 12, 1948 Jan. 19, 1948 Feb. 14, 1948 ² Oct. 28, 1942	2 31/2 2 2 4 2 21/2 2 21/2 2 2 2 2 4 4 2 2 2 2 4 4 2 2 2 2 4 4 2 2 2 2 4 4 2 2 2 4 4 2 2 2 4 4 2 2 2 2 4 4 4 4 2 2 2 4 4 4 4 2 2 2 2 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 2 2 2 2 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4	

Back figures.—See Banking and Monetary Statistics, Tables 115-116, pp. 439-443.

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK EFFECTIVE MINIMUM BUYING RATES ON BANKERS' ACCEPTANCES

[Per cent per annum]

Maturity	Rate on July 31	In effect beginning—	Previous rate
1- 90 days	1 ½	¹ Aug. 13, 1948	114
	1 5/8	¹ Aug. 13, 1948	188
	1 8/4	¹ Aug. 13, 1948	112

¹ Date on which rate became effective at the Federal Reserve Bank of New York. The same rates generally apply to any purchases made by the other Federal Reserve Banks.

Back figures.—See Banking and Monetary Statistics, Table 117, pp. 443-445.

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK RATES ON INDUSTRIAL LOANS AND COMMITMENTS UNDER SECTION 13b OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE ACT

Maturities not exceeding five years [In effect July 31. Per cent per annum]

Federal	comm	strial or ercial esses	To financing institutions				
Federal Reserve			On disco				
Bank Boston	On loans 1	On commit- ments	Portion for which institu- tion is obligated	Re- maining portion	On commit- ments		
Boston. New York. Philadelphia Cleveland Richmond Atlanta Chicago St. Louis Minneapolis Kansas City Dallas San Francisco	2½-5 2½-5 2½-5 2½-5 2½-5 2½-5 2½-5 2½-5	14-14-14-14-14-14-14-14-14-14-14-14-14-1	(2) (4) (2) (2) (2) (2) (2) (2) (2) (2) (2) (2	(a) (a) (b) (c) (d) (d) (d) (d) (e) (e) (f) (f) (f) (f) (f) (f) (f) (f	14-114 12-114 12-114 12-114 12-114 12-114 12-114 12-114 12-114		

Including loans made in participation with financing institutions.
 Rate charged borrower less commitment rate.
 Rate charged borrower.
 Rate charged borrower but not to exceed 1 per cent above the dis-

MEMBER BANK RESERVE REQUIREMENTS

[Per cent of deposits]

	Net d	emand der	osits 1	Time
Effective date of change	Central reserve city banks	Reserve city banks	Country banks	deposits (all member banks)
1917—June 21	13	10	7	3
1936—Aug. 16	191/2 223/4 26 223/4	15 17½ 20 17½	101/2 121/4 14 12	414 514 6 5
1941—Nov. 1	26 24 22 20		14	
1948—Feb. 27 June 11 Sept. 16 Sept. 24	22 24 26	22	16	271/2 371/2
1949—May 1 May 5 June 30 July 1 Aug. 1 Aug. 16 Aug. 18 Aug. 25 Sept. 1			15 14 13 12	27 87 36 26 25
In effect Aug. 1, 1950	22	18	12	,5

¹ Demand deposits subject to reserve requirements, which beginning Aug. 23, 1935, have been total demand deposits minus cash items in process of collection and demand balances due from domestic banks (also minus war loan and series E bond accounts during the period Apr. 13, 1943-June 30, 1947).

² Requirement became effective at country banks.

³ Requirement became effective at central reserve and reserve city banks.

banks.

¹ Rates shown also apply to advances secured by obligations of Federal intermediate credit banks maturing within 6 months.
² Certain special rates to nonmember banks were in effect during the wartime period.
NOTE.—Maximum maturities for discounts and advances to member banks are: 15 days for advances secured by obligations of the Federal Farm Mortgage Corporation or the Home Owners' Loan Corporation guranteed as to principal and interest by the United States, or by obligations of Federal intermediate credit banks maturing within 6 months; 90 days for other advances and discounts made under Sections 13 and 13a of the Federal Reserve Act (except that discounts of certain bankers' acceptances and of agricultural paper may have maturities not exceeding 6 months, respectively); and 4 months for advances under Section 10(b). The maximum maturity for advances to individuals, partnerships, or corporations made under the last paragraph of Section 13 is 90 days.

count rate.

5 Charge of 1/4 per cent is made on undisbursed portion of loan.

Charge of 1/4 per cent is made on undisbursed portion of loan.

Back figures.—See Banking and Monetary Statistics, Table 118, pp. 446-447.

PRINCIPAL ASSETS AND LIABILITIES OF ALL FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS

[In thousands of dollars]

			We	dnesday figu	res				and of month	1
Item				1950				19	50	1949
	July 26	July 19	July 12	July 5	June 28	June 21	June 14	July	June	July
Redemption fund for	22,373,430									
F. R. notes Total gold certificate reserves	522,533	522,345		522,530				522,532	<u> </u>	
Other cash	264,579	250,317	224,288	192,828	212,516					314,764
Discounts and advances: For member banks For nonmember	333,336	182,533	47,843	66,703	52,363	57,755	59,904	202,383	26,138	216,433
banks, etc	17,000	17,000	17,000	17,000	17,000	17,000	19,400	17,000	17,000	100,300
Total discounts and advances	350,336	199,533	64,843	83,703	69,363	74,755	79,304	219,383	43,138	316,733
Industrial loans U. S. Govt. securities: Bills Certificates:	2,676 4,057,547	2,679 3,629,247		2,679 3,976,375	2,667 3,836,875	2,627 3,982,875	2,676 4,100,875	i i	2,693 3,856,375	530 3,774,495
Special Other Notes Bonds	2,778,550 6,131,000 4,997,100	6,175,700		6,208,700	3,379,100	3,148,700	3,067,200	6,145,600	3,499,700	353,600
Total U. S. Govt. securities Other Reserve Bank credit outstanding	17,964,197 318,903				İ		1	1		18,528,795 391,550
Total Reserve Bank credit outstanding	18,636,112	18,475,297	18,757,359	18,950,362	18,566,880	18,261,274	18,269,639	18,465,683	18,702,626	19,237,608
Liabilities Federal Reserve notes Deposits:	22,768,730	22,868,405	22,969,363	23,047,968	22,800,803	22,706,047	22,767,870	22,841,198	22,920,933	23,305,260
Member bank — re- serve account U. S. Treasurer—gen-	16,415,032	16,157,309	16,448,487	16,253,943	15,988,451	16,169,122	16,309,026	16,129,223	15,934,079	17,436,630
eral account Foreign Other	503,995 1,174,069 264,963	1,201,647	1,179,926	1,179,966	1,140,308	1,123,786	1,072,730	1,168,614	1,158,461	429,892
Total deposits	18,358,059	18,145,126	18,288,419	18,368,802	18,295,165	18,093,195	18,074,974	18,138,624	18,315,501	18,928,259
Ratio of gold certificate reserves to deposit and F.R. note liabilities combined (per cent)	55.7	56.0	55.6	55.5	55.9	56.4	56.3	55.8	55.7	55.1

MATURITY DISTRIBUTION OF LOANS AND U. S. GOVERNMENT SECURITIES HELD BY FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS

[In thousands of dollars]

	Total	Within 15 days	16 to 30 days	31 to 60 days	61 to 90 days	91 days to 6 months	6 months to 1 year		2 years to 5 years	Over 5 years
Discounts and advances:	83,703 64,843 199,533 350,336 2,667 2,679 2,671 2,679 2,676 18,217,025 18,586,325 18,293,725	63,893' 44,320 178,875 328,451 70 39 44 46 42 3,204,652 742,743 801,386 880,360	1,975 2,020 1,575 16,875 5 10 11 5 5 5 5 5 5 82,595 607,310 604,092 713,802	17,625 17,643 17,862 3,071 54 191 188 245 235 1,339,317 1,446,420 1,433,259 1,897,104	210 815 1,176 1,906 779 776 721 721 1,925,211 3,365,602 3,179,538 2,323,681	44 44 44 33 375 375 372 400 403 1,481,500 1,124,050 1,108,550	376 198 196 184 184 1,124,050 2,617,200 2,627,200 2,627,200	284 316 313 307 320 2,697,400 2,909,800 2,909,800 2,909,800	771 771 771 766 2,318,100 2,318,100 2,318,100 2,307,100	

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STATEMENT OF CONDITION OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS, BY WEEKS

[In thousands of dollars]

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	Total	Boston	New York	Phila- delphia	Cleve- land	Rich- mond	Atlanta	Chicago	St. Louis	Minne- apolis	Kansas City	Dallas	San Fran- cisco
Assets			,										
July 12 July 19 July 26 Redemption fund	22 459 429	907,314 924,514 856,762 907,756 884,839	7,030,327 6,946,964 6,849,746	1,251,346 1,325,271 1,256,589 1,297,258 1,274,901	1,647,593 1,615,101 1,654,126	1,037,136 1,033,111 1,029,281	980,148 969,511 990,125 972,096 970,687	4,416,556 4,394,058 4,466,792 4,464,604 4,431,648	640,268 632,402 634,488 665,429 649,380	453,048 433,413 443,043 438,357 422,869	819,533 836,987 850,240 847,438 848,728	626,575 586,668 654,976 632,559 628,680	2,659,169 2,641,549 2,682,237 2,669,781 2,647,377
for F. R. notes: June 28 July 5 July 12 July 19 July 26 Total gold certifi-	521,650 522,530 526,532 522,345 522,533	50,777 50,771 50,771 50,476 52,289	36,830 36,809 36,809 35,655 34,842	46,936 46,931 46,931 46,342 46,939	56,042 57,034 61,035 60,663 60,419	47,470 47,458 47,459 47,241 46,969	37,311 37,297 37,297 36,992 36,777	81,450 81,431 81,431 80,967 80,679	41,929 41,925 41,925 41,800 41,706	21,929 21,927 21,927 21,878 21,848	33,937 33,932 33,932 33,849 33,791	26,370 26,365 26,365 26,273 26,205	40,669 40,650 40,650 40,209 40,069
cate reserves: June 28 July 5 July 12 July 19 July 26 Other cash:	22,982,081 22,981,959 22,956,960 22,950,776 22,895,963	958,091 975,285 907,533 958,232 937,128	6,967,139 7,067,136 6,983,773 6,885,401 6,970,275	1 1	1,782,666 1,704,627 1,676,136 1,714,789 1,723,702		ľ	i :	682,197 674,327 676,413 707,229 691,086	474,977 455,340 464,970 460,235 444,717	853,470 870,919 884,172 881,287 882,519	652,945 613,033 681,341 658,832 654,885	2,699,838 2,682,199 2,722,887 2,709,990 2,687,446
June 28 July 5 July 12 July 19 July 26 Discounts & advances:	212,516 192,828 224,288 250,317 264,579	15,920 14,590 21,061 23,626 25,402	40,593 32,582 42,153 48,562 53,039	15,749 11,419 14,451 15,774 15,589	15,845 15,300 16,665 20,925 18,842	11,762 10,754 12,377 14,169 15,415	20,814 18,936 19,919 20,436 21,135	27,055 31,795 35,353	14,809 12,552 12,277 12,138 13,097	5,391 5,168 6,003 6,390 7,734	9,025 8,593 8,626 10,059 9,913	11,369 11,751 10,617 11,103 10,836	25,148 24,128 28,344 31,782 32,733
Secured by U. S. Govt. securities: June 28. July 5. July 12. July 19. July 26. Other:	52,363 65,703 47,677 182,317 333,093	7,853 2,910 5,580	13,985 19,625 12,510 32,380 198,515	1,115 1,720 1,070 1,525 2,145	3,500 10,400 17,700 20,900 14,200	4,805 3,090 5,605 8,405 9,120	770 3,060 1,110 14,535 6,069	5,200 1,825 47,115	2,100 2,760 6,120 6,687	1,250 8,550 1,225 21,435 18,025	6,850 3,045 3,522 14,972 8,012	270 100 200 350 400	3,550 300 9,000 18,000
June 28 July 5 July 12 July 19 July 26 Industrial loans:		1,071 1,071 1,071	5,338 5,338 5,338 5,338 5,338	1,360 2,360 1,360 1,360 1,360	1,547 1,547 1,547 1,547 1,547	850 850 850 850 850	714 714 714 714 741	2,346 2,346 2,396	612 612 612 612 612	425 425 425 425 425	629 629 629 629 629	595 595 595 595 595	1,513 1,513 1,679 1,679 1,679
June 28 July 5 July 12 July 19 July 26 U. S. Govt. securities: Bills:	2,667 2,679 2,671 2,679 2,676		30 30 30 30 30	2,328	1 1 1 1 1	120			 .	196 204 200	.		
June 28 July 5 July 12 July 19 July 26 Certificates:	3,836,875 3,976,375 3,832,575 3,629,247 4,057,547	274,131 264,218	894,345 926,861 893,343 845,948 945,782	255,156 264,433 254,870 241,349 269,831	355,663 368,594 355,264 336,417 376,118	256,898 247,607 234,471	205,518 212,991 205,288 194,397 217,339	603,009 581,202 550,368	211,646 219,341 211,409 200,193 223,818	118,709 123,025 118,576 112,285 125,537	184,516	180,507 173,980	349,367 362,069 348,975 330,461 369,460
June 28 July 5 July 12 July 19 July 26 Notes:	5,357,250 2,846,550 2,831,050 2,778,550 2,778,550	196,241 195,172 191,554 191,554	1,248,732 663,508 659,895 647,658 647,658	188,267 184,776 184,776	496,596 263,864 262,427 257,561 257,561	183,904 182,903 179,510 179,510	286,956 152,473 151,642 148,831 148,831	431,674 429,324 421,362 421,362	295,512 157,019 156,163 153,267 153,267	165,748 88,069 87,591 85,966 85,966	132,090 131,370 128,933	243,192 129,219 128,515 126,132 126,132	487,803 259,191 257,781 253,000 253,000
June 28 July 5 July 12 July 19 July 26 Bonds:	6,208,700 6,218,700 6,175,700	428,028 428,717 425,753	1,447,198 1,449,529 1,439,506	412,885 413,550 410,690	313,229 575,522 576,449 572,463 568,319	401,765 398,987	180,999 332,563 333,099 330,795 328,401	941,537 943,053 936,533	186,394 342,478 343,030 340,658 338,192	104,547 192,091 192,400 191,070 189,687	288,566	281,844 282,298 280,346	
June 28 July 5 July 12 July 19 July 26 Total U. S. Govt. securities:	5.554.700	389,083 382,941 373,062 364,416 344,500	1,294,757 1,261,354 1,232,125	359,864 351,524	523,157 514,898 501,615 489,990 463,211	349,609	302,304 297,531 289,856 283,139 267,663	842,359 820,628 801,611	311,317 306,402 298,498 291,581 275,646	174,613 171,858 167,423 163,543 154,604	257,753 251,105	245,651	492,735 481,318
June 28 July 5 July 12 July 19 July 26	18,586,325 18,293,725 17,869,497	1,281,341 1,261,169 1,231,923	4,332,324 4,264,121 4,165,237	1,211,450 1,236,009 1,216,551 1,188,339 1,194,637	1,722,878 1,695,755 1,656,431	1,200,788 1,181,884 1,154,477	995,558 979,885 957,162	2,762,575 2,818,579 2,774,207 2,709,874 2,724,234	1,025,240 1,009,100 985,699	563,617 575,043 565,990 552,864 555,794	848,884 829,198	843,726 830,444 811,186	1,658,751 1,692,378 1,665,735 1,627,107 1,635,730

STATEMENT OF CONDITION OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS, BY WEEKS-Continued

[In thousands of dollars]

	Total	Boston	New York	Phila- delphia	Cleve- land	Rich- mond	Atlanta	Chicago	St. Louis	Minne- apolis	Kansas City	Dallas	San Fran- cisco
Assets (cont.)													
July 12 July 19 July 26 Due from foreign	18,672,707 18,361,239 18,071,709	1,290,265 1,265,150 1,238,574	4,357,317 4,281,999 4,202,985	1,216,233 1,242,420 1,221,296 1,193,552 1,200,477	1,734,826 1,715,003 1,678,879	1,204,849 1,188,460 1,163,852	999,332 981,709 972,411	2,770,821 2,826,125 2,778,378 2,759,385 2,773,490	1,028,612 1,009,712 992,431	565,490 584,214 567,844 574,924 574,442	852,804 866,135 853,035 844,799 842,234	844,421 831,239 812,131	1,663,814 1,694,191 1,667,414 1,637,786 1,655,409
banks: June 28 July 5 July 12 July 19 July 26 Federal Reserve notes of other Banks:	28 24 24 24 24 24	2 2 2	15 17 17 17	3 2 2 2 2 2	3 2 2 2 2 2	2 1 1 1 1	1 1 1 1	5 3 3 3 3	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	1 1 1 1	1 1 1 1	1 1 1 1	3 2 2 2 2 2
June 28 July 5 July 12 July 19 July 26 Uncollected	112,582 93,710 123,087 140,532 139,400		17,777 15,862 23,657 26,921 22,419	5,587 3,884 6,922 7,447 6,771	5,696 5,299 5,923 7,247 6,764	10,956 11,719 12,444 15,481 17,450	12,360 8,211 12,426 12,108 12,839	12,626	8,503 5,196 8,186 7,043 8,173	3,628 3,619 4,772 6,165 6,655	8,222 5,729 7,972 9,085 8,617	5,179 3,030 4,888 4,888 4,795	13,544 13,769 13,067 16,235 18,661
items: June 28 July 5 July 12 July 19 July 26 Bank premises:	2,631,685 2,409,188 2,929,879 3,155,972 2,795,695	211,119 214,235 224,986 247,691 216,671	499,078 446,545 524,236 589,532 500,727	182,771	243,152 220,276 263,150 300,480 253,826	236,678 252,829	160,654 152,328 191,739 198,532 174,927	432,405 378,421 496,622 509,398 447,574	137,532 139,491 168,592 169,495 150,497	78,992 66,245 90,677 89,693 85,884	138,138 130,241 173,251 174,130 154,217	110,139 130,764	230,984 170,713 235,677 262,885 236,116
June 28 July 5 July 12 July 19 July 26 Other assets:	35,225 35,183 35,313 35,438 35,546	1,101 1,101 1,101 1,101 1,097	7,791 7,762 7,762 7,762 7,762	2,953 2,953 2,953 2,953 2,948	4,860 4,859 4,859 4,855 4,848	2,525 2,525 2,525 2,549 2,567	1,512 1,512 1,512 1,513 1,509	3,845 3,950	2,026 2,022 2,023 2,022 2,023	1,130 1,130 1,130 1,130 1,130	2,280 2,275 2,275 2,275 2,275	700 697 697 697 697	4,501 4,502 4,631 4,631 4,761
June 28 July 5 July 12 July 19 July 26 Total assets:	85,850 88,927	5,121 5,427 5,686 5,953	23,479 17,375 18,389 19,090 19,614	6,690 5,013 5,262 5,436 5,538	9,830 7,595 7,330 7,827 7,992	7,051 5,331 5,352 5,569 5,880	4,689	12,593 13,173 13,866	6,927 5,442 5,763 5,969 6,127	3,106 2,297 2,369 2,473 2,595	5,082 3,895 4,367 4,546 4,686	3,542 3,877 3,951	9,316 6,930 7,390 7,694 8,036
June 28 July 5 July 12 July 19 July 26	44,367,598 44,463,997 44,712,891 44,690,618 44,537,343	2,463,455 2,505,365 2,431,780 2,484,202 2,437,769	11,821,458 11,944,586 11,881,976 11,780,260 11,965,037	2,722,029 2,820,664 2,747,913 2,778,306 2,729,599	3,755,745 3,692,784 3,689,068 3,735,004 3,696,933	2,519,738 2,517,556 2,538,407 2,530,972 2,501,228	2,195,614 2,191,273 2,239,045 2,218,599 2,191,608	7,763,070 7,735,450 7,887,769 7,885,455 7,811,356	1,859,576 1,867,643 1,882,967 1,896,328 1,869,226	1,132,715 1,118,014 1,137,766 1,141,011 1,123,158	1,869,022 1,887,788 1,933,699 1,926,182 1,904,462	1,618,028 1,586,440 1,663,089 1,643,294 1,663,803	4,647,148 4,596,434 4,679,412 4,671,005 4,643,164
Liabilities Federal Reserve													
July 12 July 19 July 26 Deposits: Member bank	23,047,968 22,969,363 22,868,405	1,412,456 1,403,237 1,389,973	5,200,618 5,166,579 5,148,043	1,609,585 1,626,754 1,619,294 1,611,720 1,602,625	2,042,122 2,056,399 2,057,968 2,049,638 2,041,835	1,508,236 1,519,337 1,514,977 1,502,071 1,496,871	1,249,661 1,264,359 1,255,655 1,246,701 1,241,333	4,428,625 4,471,248 4,469,905 4,462,107 4,447,113	1,039,112 1,049,799 1,047,442 1,044,379 1,039,327	598,696 603,348 600,898 597,373 593,860	907,741 905,097 903,064	611,157 616,666 613,188 609,658 608,376	2,285,828 2,319,243 2,315,123 2,303,678 2,288,555
July 5 July 12 July 19 July 26 U. S. Treas- urer-general	15,988,451 16,253,943 16,448,487 16,157,309 16,415,032	664,191 703,884 675,045 688,824 681,020	5,334,254 5,333,354 5,183,909	790,061 771,555 764,558	1,177,358 1,176,316 1,189,720 1,188,333 1,202,081	648,786 668,334 658,840	664,513 674,609 684,107 678,560 663,859	2,557,534 2,596,424 2,671,657 2,610,327 2,627,760	568,021 565,319 574,415 577,594 568,249	383,781 383,342	743,832 762,612 776,673 763,395 758,073	746,906 822,905 777,710	1,881,795 1,875,031 1,896,941 1,881,917 1,883,033
account: June 28 July 5 July 12 July 19 July 26 Foreign:	866,069 645,308 382,708 525,474 503,995	73,190 57,738 22,747 38,707 35,320	181,331 145,351 85,815 93,714 103,501	69,614 26,602 51,653	73,783 27,531 44,169	73,754 50,954 28,380 31,590 32,449	34,114 35,757 27,384	65,282 36,038 88,270	43,689 37,618 23,073 32,642 38,708	23,814 22,354 25,787	19,020 20,917 30,241	38,060 22,606 28,799	29,960 30,888 32,518
June 28 July 5 July 12 July 19 July 26 Other:	1,140,308 1,179,966 1,179,926 1,201,647 1,174,069	75,367	^{2367,235} ^{2378,081} ^{2373,992} ^{2380,965} ^{2374,240}	93,984 95,704	106,370 106,907 108,863	58,740 59,815	49,094 49,342 50,245	161,308 162,122 165,089	42,293	29,223	44,263	40,912 41,118 41,870	104,051 104,578 106,491
June 28 July 5 July 12 July 19 July 26	300,337 289,585 277,298 260,696 264,963	1,990 4,917 5,178	206,642 199,920	1,521 3,302 5,233	4,768 4,587	6,025 5,661 3,599	1,028 1,151 455	2,965 2,787 2,792	5,746 6,009	1,198 1,586 1,190	2,670 661	685 2,603 487	30,585

¹ After deducting \$23,000 participations of other Federal Reserve Banks on June 28; and \$17,000 on July 5; July 12; July 19; and July 26.

² After deducting \$773,053,000 participations of other Federal Reserve Banks on June 28; \$801,865,000 on July 15; \$805,913,000 on July 12; \$820,662,000 on July 19; and \$799,808,000 on July 26.

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STATEMENT OF CONDITION OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS, BY WEEKS-Continued

[In thousands of dollars]

	Total	Boston	New York	Phila- delphia	Cleve- land	Rich- mond	Atlanta	Chicago	St. Louis	Minne- apolis	Kansas City	Dallas	San Fran- cisco
Liabilities (cont.):													
July 12 July 19 July 26 Deferred availa-	18,295,165 18,368,802 18,288,419 18,145,126 18,358,059		5,969,036 6,081,348 5,999,803 5,858,508 6,148,288	954,708 895,443 917,148	1,416,894 1,361,816 1,328,926 1,345,952 1,349,108	768,722 764,210 761,115 753,844 752,463	758,845 770,357 756,644	2,835,869 2,825,979 2,872,604 2,866,478 2,835,429	657,572 652,870 645,527 659,312 654,494	444,255 433,976 437,091 440,227 429,933	818,687 828,695 843,728 838,560 832,206	826,563 889,232 848,866	2,065,554 2,042,539 2,067,872 2,051,511 2,050,739
bility items: June 28 July 5 July 12 July 19 July 26 Other liabilities including accrued divi-	2,353,888 2,131,557 2,533,783 2,752,408 2,476,816	226,905	445,931 394,026 445,694 503,183 417,817	155,590 168,181 161,739 177,766 151,344	212,331 190,196 217,639 254,432 220,262	194,176 185,421 213,360 225,790 202,113	127,270 171,945 173,968	417,653 428,708	126,094 128,229 152,895 155,372 137,724	64,760 55,714 74,589 78,118 73,847	115,839 115,487 148,689 148,255 136,700	110,752 108,044 125,236 149,059 160,822	211,321 150,540 211,761 230,852 218,198
dends: June 28 July 5 July 12 July 19 July 26 Total liabilities:	16,377 9,773 10,023 8,852 11,619	969 748 852	4,620 2,568 2,746 2,363 3,907	948 476 509 416 513	1,720 1,217 917 948 1,125	818 493 521 437 550	1	1,437 1,688	673 424 434 352 435	500 328 377 331 351	549 377 341 332 377	743 377 384 420 512	1,463 677 801 680 829
June 28 July 5 July 12 July 19 July 26	43,466,233 43,558,100 43,801,588 43,774,791 43,615,224	2,405,873 2,447,583 2,373,510 2,425,702 2,378,809	11,556,479 11,678,560 11,614,822 11,512,097 11,695,481	2,651,805 2,750,119 2,676,985 2,707,050 2,657,922	3,673,067 3,609,628 3,605,450 3,650,970 3,612,330	2,471,952 2,469,461 2,489,973 2,482,142 2,451,997	2,155,545 2,150,911 2,198,396 2,177,701 2,150,379	7,638,521 7,610,201 7,761,747 7,758,730 7,683,648	1,823,451 1,831,322 1,846,298 1,859,415 1,831,980	1,108,211 1,093,366 1,112,955 1,116,049 1,097,991	1,833,698 1,852,300 1,897,855 1,890,211 1,868,136	1,583,465 1,551,650 1,628,040 1,608,003 1,628,230	4,564,166 4,512,999 4,595,557 4,586,721 4,558,321
Capital Accts.:		,											:
Capital paid in: June 28 July 5 July 12 July 19 July 26 Surplys:	219,074 219,499 219,766 220,010 220,149	12,132 12,135 12,168 12,177 12,178	73,068 73,125 73,158 73,153 73,164	15,443 15,453 15,501 15,517 15,521	20,220 20,298 20,311 20,317 20,332	9,498 9,508 9,521 9,642 9,642	8,692 8,713 8,734 8,742 8,748	27,993 28,013	7,166 7,178 7,213 7,218 7,219	4,897 4,904 4,916 4,923 4,928	7,749 7,810 7,824 7,831 7,840	9,228 9,276 9,313 9,348 9,350	23,051 23,120 23,114 23,129 23,129
(section 7): June 28 July 5 July 12 July 19 July 26	488,173 488,173 488,173 488,173 488,173	30,778 30,778 30,778 30,778 30,778	148,149 148,149 148,149 148,149 148,149	38,205 38,205 38,205 38,205 38,205	45,957 45,957 45,957 45,957 45,957	23,779 23,779 23,779 23,779 23,779	21,194 21,194 21,194 21,194 21,194	72,029 72,029 72,029 72,029 72,029	19,118 19,118 19,118 19,118 19,118	12,494 12,494 12,494 12,494 12,494	18,045 18,045 18,045 18,045 18,045	15,873 15,873 15,873 15,873 15,873	42,552 42,552 42,552 42,552 42,552
(section 13b): June 28 July 5 July 12 July 19 July 26 Other cap. accts.:	27,543 27,543 27,543 27,543 27,543	3,011 3,011 3,011 3,011 3,011	7,319 7,319 7,319 7,319 7,319	4,489 4,489 4,489 4,489 4,489	1,006 1,006 1,006 1,006 1,006	3,349 3,349 3,349 3,349 3,349	762 762 762 762 762	1,429	521 521 521 521 521 521	1,073 1,073 1,073 1,073 1,073	1,137 1,137 1,137 1,137 1,137	1,307 1,307 1,307 1,307 1,307	2,140 2,140 2,140 2,140 2,140 2,140
June 28 July 5 July 12 July 19 July 26 Total liabilities	166,575 170,682 175,821 180,101 186,254	11,661 11,858 12,313 12,534 12,993	36,443 37,433 38,528 39,542 40,924	12,087 12,398 12,733 13,045 13,462	15,495 15,895 16,344 16,754 17,308	11,160 11,459 11,785 12,060 12,461	9,421 9,693 9,959 10,200 10,525	24,571 25,254	9,320 9,504 9,817 10,056 10,388		8,393 8,496 8,838 8,958 9,304	8,155 8,334 8,556 8,763 9,043	15,239 15,623 16,049 16,463 17,022
and cap. accts.: June 28 July 5 July 12 July 19 July 26 Contingent liabil-	44,712,891 44,690,618	2,431,780 2,484,202	11,821,458 11,944,586 11,881,976 11,780,260 11,965,037	2,747,913 2,778,306	3,689,068 3,735,004	2,538,407 2,530,972	2,239,045 2,218,599	7,887,769 7,885,455	1,882,967 1,896,328	1,137,766 1,141,011	1,933,699 1,926,182	1,663,089 1,643,294	4,679,412 4,671,005
ity on accept- ances purchas- ed for foreign correspondents: June 28 July 55 July 12 July 19 July 26 Commitments to make industrial loans:		347 393 368 373 499	11,731 11,703 11,834 11,860 12,487	441 499 467 474 633	502 568 532 539 721	276 312 292 296 396	262 245 249 332	806 818 1,093	198 224 210 213 285	156 146 148	216 219	208	490 555 520 527 705
June 28 July 5 July 12 July 19 July 26	1,364 1,391 1,371			315 473 487 468 521	454 453 453 452 451	60 60 60		254 253 269 269 272					125 125 122 122 122 122

¹ After deducting \$3,780,000 participations of other Federal Reserve Banks on June 28; \$4,279,000 on July 5; \$4,007,000 on July 12; \$4,064,000 on July 19; and \$5,432,000 on July 26.

STATEMENT OF CONDITION OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS, BY WEEKS-Continued

FEDERAL RESERVE NOTES-FEDERAL RESERVE AGENTS' ACCOUNTS, BY WEEKS

[In thousands of dollars]

	Total	Boston	New York	Phila- delphia	Cleve- land	Rich- mond	At- lanta	Chicago	St. Louis	Minne- apolis	Kansas City	Dallas	San Fran- cisco
July 5 July 12 July 19 July 26 Collateral held against notes outstanding:	23,538,876 23,665,914 23,748,062 23,688,381 23,632,205	1,439,250 1,442,147 1,439,459	5,319,845 5,326,416 5,302,043	1,663,183 1,670,212 1,667,921	2,119,753 2,130,082 2,127,176	1,568,628 1,574,260 1,566,997	1,316,477 1,324,682 1,316,268	4,537,564 4,551,881 4,546,968	1,088,817 1,101,437 1,095,771	614,055 614,439 613,091	930,850 936,248 932,370	649,571 648,460 646,231	2,413,336 2,417,921 2,427,798 2,434,086 2,430,117
July 5 July 12	14,304,000 14,304,000	440,000 440,000 440,000	4,670,000 4,770,000 4,770,000 4,770,000 4,770,000	750,000 750,000 750,000	925,000	670,000 670,000 670,000	675,000 675,000 675,000	2,950,000 2,950,000 2,980,000 2,980,000 2,980,000	400,000 400,000 400,000	210,000 210,000 210,000 210,000 210,000	280,000 280,000 280,000	204,000 204,000 204,000	2,000,000 2,000,000 2,000,000 2,000,000 2,000,000
June 28 July 5 July 12 July 19 July 26 U. S. Govt. sec.:	26,507 99,522 260,555	7,853 2,910 5,580 5,060	17,575 12,010 32,320 196,140	2,720 1,070 1,525 2,145		8,405 8,320			2,100 2,760 6,120 6,687	8,550 1,225 21,435 18,025	3,045 3,522 14,972 8,012		3,550 300 165 9,165 16,166
July 19 July 26 Total collateral:	10,450,000 10,450,000 10,550,000 10,550,000 10,550,000	1,100,000 1,100,000 1,100,000 1,100,000	700,000 700,000 700,000 700,000	1,000,000 1,000,000 1,000,000 1,000,000 1,000,000	1,150,000 1,250,000 1,250,000 1,250,000	950,000 950,000 950,000 950,000	700,000 700,000 700,000 700,000	1,600,000 1,600,000 1,600,000 1,600,000 1,600,000	800,000 800,000 800,000 800,000	450,000 450,000 450,000 450,000 450,000	700,000 700,000 700,000 700,000	500,000 500,000 500,000 500,000 500,000	800,000 800,000 800,000 800,000
July 5 July 12 July 19	24,737,223 24,844,893 24,880,507 24,953,522 25,114,555	1,547,853 1,542,910 1,545,580	5,487,575 5,482,010 5,502,320	1,752,720 1,751,070 1,751,525	2,150,000 2,175,000 2,175,000	1,623,090 1,625,605 1,628,405	1,375,000 1,375,000 1,375,000	4,550,000 4,580,000 4,580,000	1,202,760 1,200,000 1,206,120	668,550 661,225 681,435	983,045 983,522 994,972	704,000 704,000 704,000	2,803,550 2,800,300 2,800,165 2,809,165 2,816,166

INDUSTRIAL LOANS BY FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS

[Amounts in thousands of dollars]

Date (last Wednesday or last day	app	ications roved date	Ap- proved but not com-	Loans out- standing ²	Commit- ments out- standing	Participations of financing institutions
of period)	Num- ber	Amount	pleted 1 (amount)	(amount)	(amount)	out- standing (amount)
1939	2,781 2,908 3,202 3,423 3,471 3,489 3,511 3,542 3,574 3,607	188,222 212,510 279,860 408,737 491,342 525,532 544,961 565,913 586,726 615,653	2,659 13,954 8,294 4,248 926 1,295 320 4,577 945 335	13,683 9,152 10,337 14,126 10,532 3,894 1,995 554 1,387 995	9,220 5,226 14,597 10,661 9,270 4,165 1,644 8,309 7,434 1,643	10,981 6,386 19,600 17,305 17,930 2,705 1,086 2,670 4,869 1,990
1949					·	
Jan. 31 Feb. 28 Mar. 31 Apr. 30 May 31 July 30 Aug. 31 Sept. 30 Nov. 30 Dec. 31	3,607 3,608 3,610 3,613 3,614 3,615 3,617 3,623 3,630 3,637 3,644 3,649	615,893 616,340 620,192 620,595 620,984 621,297 621,601 622,327 625,301 626,273 628,523 629,326	85 45 45 152 245 205 220 545 912 1,514 1,277 539	1,005 907 906 819 753 614 660 662 1,016 1,075 1,954 2,178	1,677 1,624 3,270 2,399 2,349 2,278 2,263 2,072 1,958 1,820 1,818 2,288	2,077 2,042 3,677 2,811 2,737 2,619 2,563 1,926 2,023 1,965 2,848 2,947
1950						
Jan. 31 Feb. 28 Mar. 31 Apr. 29 May 31 June 30	3,652 3,655 3,663 3,667 3,670 3,677	629,764 630,209 632,049 632,573 633,124 638,015	544 223 1,225 1,172 1,306 4,416	2,223 2,505 2,673 2,665 2,675 2,779	1,941 1,197 1,272 1,288 1,286 1,352	2,649 2,628 2,651 2,652 2,641 2,731

MEMBER BANK RESERVES AND BORROWINGS

[Averages of daily figures. In millions of dollars]

Month, or	All mem-	Central city l	reserve oanks	Re- serve	Coun-	
week ending Wednesday	ber banks ¹	New York	Chi- cago	city banks	banks 1	
Total reserves held:						
1949—June	18,068	4,849	1,151	6,822	5,247	
1950—May	15,941	4,273	1,088	6,144	4,437	
June	16,194	4,425	1,113	6,215	4,440	
June 21	16,522	4,618	1,119	6,261	4,524	
	16,093	4,399	1,110	6,208	4,376	
	16,137	4,365	1,113	6,249	4,409	
	16,500	4,412	1,126	6,373	4,589	
	16,177	4,303	1,100	6,283	4,491	
	16,219	4,337	1,119	6,285	4,478	
Excess reserves: 1949—June 1950—May June	758	69	10	180	499	
	704	14	-3	137	557	
	766	68	3	156	539	
June 21	986	204	3	r167	612	
	640	20	1	142	477	
	661	-7	-2	159	511	
	1,001	68	14	246	673	
	2669	-18	-13	119	9581	
	2716	25	4	116	9571	
Borrowings at Federal Reserve Banks:						
1949—June	100	27	3	32	39	
1950—May	80	-11	1	37	30	
June	68	10	3	29	26	
June 21	40 51 110 34 109 226	53 41 101	2 1 1 11 33	17 24 38 14 40 66	21 26 18 20 17 26	

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Back figures.—See Banking and Monetary Statistics, pp. 396-399.

¹ Includes applications approved conditionally by the Federal Reserve Banks and under consideration by applicant.

² Includes industrial loans past due 3 months or more, which are not included in industrial loans outstanding in weekly statement of conditional features. Because Beauty Statement of conditional features. dition of Federal Reserve Banks.

NOTE.—The difference between amount of applications approved and the sum of the following four columns represents repayments of advances, and applications for loans and commitments withdrawn or expired.

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¹Weekly figures of excess reserves of all member banks and of country banks are estimates. Weekly figures of borrowings of all member banks and of country banks may include small amounts of Federal Reserve Bank discounts and advances for nonmember banks, etc.

DEPOSITS, RESERVES, AND BORROWINGS OF MEMBER BANKS

[Averages of daily figures.1 In millions of dollars]

***************************************	All mem-	Central city l	reserve oanks	Re- serve	Coun-	All mem-	em- serve			Coun- try
	ber banks	New York	Chi- cago	city banks	try banks	ber banks	New York	Chi- cago	city banks	banks
		First l	alf of Jur	ie 1950			Second l	alf of Jur	ie 1950	
Gross demand deposits: Total	10,683 80,914 80,450 72,700	20,836 3,695 17,140 19,215	5,285 1,073 4,212 4,774	34,811 5,049 29,762 30,249 11,796	30,665 866 29,800 26,212	92,423 10,709 81,714 81,191 72,850 29,753	21,264 3,786 17,478 19,591	5,340 1,071 4,269 4,812	35,205 4,998 30,207 30,506	30,614 854 29,760 26,283
Demand balances due from domestic banks.	. 5,365	34	122	1,689	3,520	5,363	40	124	1,768	3,431
Reserves with Federal Reserve Banks: Total	792	4,380 4,316 64 8	1,116 1,105 11	6,203 6,035 169 37	4,446 3,898 548	16,241 15,501 739	4,471 4,400 71	1,109 1,114 -5	6,227 6,083 144 22	4,435 3,905 529 23

DEPOSITS OF COUNTRY MEMBER BANKS IN LARGE AND SMALL CENTERS 1

[Averages of daily figures. In millions of dollars]

		of 15,000 population	In places 15,000 pc	of under opulation
	Demand deposits except inter- bank	Time deposits	Demand deposits except inter- bank	Time deposits
1949 April	16,289 16,209 16,271	8,829 8,830 8,817	11,753 11,622 11,591	6,063 6,062 6,060
1950 April	17,366 17,412 17,620	8,923 8,941 8,926	12,145 12,117 12,160	6,116 6,119 6,117
By district, June 1950				,
Boston New York Philadelphia Cleveland	2,109 3,314 1,339 1,405	829 2,253 833 918	346 1,115 956 1,035	1,157 908 810
Richmond	1,125 1,643 2,442 694	417 467 1,638 351	838 709 1,718 978	483 227 971 293
Minneapolis Kansas City Dallas San Francisco	618 595 1,100 1,236	303 109 165 641	749 1,583 1,638 494	449 212 80 298

¹ Includes any banks in outlying sections of reserve cities that have been given permission to carry the same reserve as country banks.

BANK SUSPENSIONS

	Total,		nber nks	Nonmember banks			
	all banks	Na- tional	State	In- sured	Non- insured		
Number of banks suspended: 1934-42	330	20	6	216	88		
1943. 1944. 1945. 1946. 1947. 1948. 1949. 1950—JanJuly.	4 1 0 0 1 0 4	2		2	1 4 1		
	137,362	1 :)				
1943. 1944. 1945. 1946. 1947. 1948. 1949. 1950—JanJuly.	6,223 405 0 0 167 0 2,443			1,241 405	167 2,443 (³)		

¹ Represents banks which, during the periods shown, closed temporarily or permanently on account of financial difficulties; does not include banks whose deposit liabilities were assumed by other banks at the time of closing (in some instances with the aid of Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation loans).
² Deposits of member banks and insured nonmember banks suspended are as of dates of suspensions, and deposits of noninsured nonmember banks are based on the latest data available at the time the suspensions were reported.
² Deposit figures not available.

**Back feares—See Raphing and Magazary Statistics, pp. 283-202.

¹ Averages of daily closing figures for reserves and borrowings and of daily opening figures for other items, inasmuch as reserves required are based on deposits at opening of business.

² Demand deposits subject to reserve requirements, i. e., gross demand deposits minus cash items reported as in process of collection and demand balances due from domestic banks.

³ Demand deposits adjusted (demand deposits other than interbank and U. S. Government, less cash items reported as in process of collection) are estimated for all member banks, but not by class of bank.

⁴ Includes some interbank and U. S. Government lime deposits; the amounts on call report dates are shown in the Member Bank Call Report.

Back figures.—See Banking and Monetary Statistics, pp. 283-292; for description, see pp. 281-282 in the same publication.

UNITED STATES MONEY IN CIRCULATION, BY DENOMINATIONS

[Outside Treasury and Federal Reserve Banks. In millions of dollars]

End of year or	Total in cir-	С	oin and	small d	enomin	ation cu	irrency	2		Lar	ge deno	minatio	on curre	ncy 2		Unas-
month	cula- tion ¹	Total	Coin	3 \$1	\$2	\$5	\$10	\$20	Total	\$50	\$100	\$500	\$1,000	\$5,000	\$10,000	sorted
1933 1934 1935 1936 1937 1938 1939 1940 1941 1942 1944 1944 1945 1946 1947	6,543 6,550 6,856 7,598 8,732 11,160 15,410 20,449 25,307 28,515 28,952 28,952	4,167 4,292 4,518 5,021 5,015 5,147 5,553 6,247 8,120 11,576 14,871 17,580 20,683 20,437 20,020 19,529	442 452 478 517 537 550 590 648 751 880 1,019 1,156 1,274 1,361 1,404	402 423 460 499 505 524 559 610 695 801 1,039 1,039 1,048 1,049	70 81 73 67 65	946 1,019 1,129 1,355 1,693 1,973 2,150 2,313 2,173 2,110	4,051 5,194 5,983 6,782 6,497 6,275	1,800 2,545 4,096 5,705 7,224 9,201 9,310	5,580 7,730 7,834 8,518 8,850	1,996 2,327 2,492 2,548	618 577 627 707 710 719 919 1,112 1,433 1,912 4,153 4,220 4,771 5,070 5,074	125 112 122 135 139 160 191 227 261 287 407 555 454 438 428	237 216 239 265 288 327 425 523 556 586 749 990 801 783 782 707	8 5 7 6 17 20 30 24 9 10 7 8 5 5	10 7 16 18 12 32 32 60 46 25 22 24 24 26 17	8 10 5 8 7 5 2 4 4 3 2 3 2 3 3 3
1949—March	27,439 27,417 27,507 27,493 27,394 27,393 27,412 27,407 27,543	18,930 18,925 18,993 18,982 18,908 18,901 18,917 18,915 19,040	1,445 1,450 1,456 1,459 1,457 1,462 1,468 1,474	992 994 1,011 1,008 1,001 1,003 1,018 1,031 1,046 1,066	61 60 61 61 60 61 60 60 61	1,965 1,967 1,986 1,971 1,959 1,958 1,970 1,973 1,994	5,913 5,913 5,934 5,931 5,901 5,900 5,905 5,891 5,935	8,555 8,541 8,544 8,551 8,529 8,517 8,496 8,486 8,520	8,510 8,493 8,515 8,513 8,488 8,494 8,498 8,494 8,506	2,428 2,421 2,422 2,426 2,410 2,406 2,401 2,392 2,398	4,980 4,970 4,980 4,974 4,964 4,980 4,996 5,007 5,021 5,056	392 390 388 387 385 383 382 381 382 382	696 700 712 712 717 712 705 701 692 689	5555444444	10 9 9 9 9 9 9 9	1 1 1 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 3
1950—January February March April May June	27,068 27,042 27,048 27,090	18,651 18,661 18,730	1,457 1,459 1,468 1,478 1,490 1,496	1,008 1,011 1,013 1,016 1,033 1,037	60 60	1,949 1,949 1,945	5,817 5,834 5,830 5,851	8,348 8,327 8,333 8,333	8,426 8,393 8,389 8,361	2,385 2,375 2,380 2,380	5,010 4,988 4,968 4,961 4,949 4,940	380 378 384 382 381 378	666 661 654 650 639 628	4 5 5 4 4 4	8 9 8 11 9	3 3 1 1 2

¹ Total of amounts of coin and paper currency shown by denominations less unassorted currency in Treasury and Federal Reserve Banks.
 ² Includes unassorted currency held in Treasury and Federal Reserve Banks and currency of unknown denominations reported by the Treasury estroyed.
 ² Paper currency only; \$1 silver coins reported under coin. as destroyed.

Back figures.—See Banking and Monetary Statistics, Table 112, pp. 415-416.

UNITED STATES MONEY, OUTSTANDING AND IN CIRCULATION, BY KINDS

[On basis of circulation statement of United States money. In millions of dollars]

		Money	held in the ?	Freasury	Money	Money in circulation ¹			
	Total out- standing, June 30, 1950	As security against gold and silver certificates	Treasury cash	For Federal Reserve Banks and agents	held by Federal Reserve Banks and agents	June 30, 1950	May 31, 1950	June 30, 1949	
Gold	24,231 23,023 23,603 4,607	23,023 *2,326		20,167	2,816 791 214	41 22,760 4,355	41 22,694 4,355	43 23,209 4,241	
Standard silver dollars Silver bullion Silver certificates and Treasury notes of 1890 Subsidiary silver coin. Minor coin United States notes. Federal Reserve Bank notes. National Bank notes.	2,023 2,326 1,002 378 347 277	303 2,023	17 10 8 2 (5) (5)		3 147 26 10 23 3	2,178 965 361 321 274 86	169 2,180 961 360 322 276 87	164 2,062 940 355 319 309 93	
Total—June 30, 1950	(4) (4) (4)	25,349 25,338 25,555	1,298 1,309 1,307	20,167 20,183 20,430	3,820 3,777 3,875	27,156	27,090	27,493	

Outside Treasury and Federal Reserve Banks. Includes any paper currency held outside the continental limits of the United States: totals for other end-of-month dates shown in table above, totals by weeks in table on p. 1017 and seasonally adjusted figures in table on p. 1027.

Includes \$156,039,431 held as reserve against United States notes and Treasury notes of 1890.

To avoid duplication, amount of silver dollars and bullion held as security against silver certificates and Treasury notes of 1890 outstanding is not included in total Treasury currency outstanding.

Because some of the types of money shown are held as collateral or reserves against other types, a grand total of all types has no special significance and is not shown. See note for explanation of these duplications.

Less than \$500,000.

significance and is not shown. See note for explanation of these duplications.

Note.—There are maintained in the Treasury—(i) as a reserve for United States notes and Treasury notes of 1890—\$156,039,431 in gold bullion; (ii) as security for Treasury notes of 1890—an equal dollar amount in standard silver dollars (these notes are being canceled and retired on receipt); (iii) as security for outstanding silver certificates—silver in bullion and standard silver dollars of a monetary value equal to the face amount of such silver certificates; and (iv) as security for gold certificates—gold bullion of a value at the legal standard equal to the face amount of such gold certificates. Federal Reserve notes are obligations of the United States and a first lien on all the assets of the issuing Federal Reserve Bank. Federal Reserve notes are secured by the deposit with Federal Reserve agents of a like amount of gold certificates or of gold certificates and such discounted or purchased paper as is eligible under the terms of the Federal Reserve Act, or of direct obligations of the United States. Federal Reserve Banks must maintain a reserve in gold certificates of at least 25 per cent, including the redemption fund, which must be deposited with the Treasurer of the United States, against Federal Reserve notes in actual circulation; gold certificates pledged as collateral may be counted as reserves. "Gold certificates" as herein used includes credits with the Treasurer of the United States payable in gold certificates. Federal Reserve Bank notes and national bank notes are in process of retirement.

1026 FEDERAL RESERVE BULLETIN

MONEY IN CIRCULATION WITH ADJUSTMENT FOR SEASONAL VARIATION

[Outside Treasury and Federal Reserve Banks. In millions of dollars]

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Date	Amount—	Amount—	Change in
	unadjusted	adjusted for	seasonally
	for seasonal	seasonal	adjusted
	variation	variation	series ¹
End of period: 1939. 1940. 1941. 1942. 1943. 1944. 1945. 1946. 1947. 1948. 1949.	7,598 8,732 11,160 15,410 20,449 25,307 28,515 28,952 28,868 28,224 27,600		+742 +1,134 +2,428 +4,250 +5,039 +4,858 +3,208 +437 -84 -644 -624
Averages of daily figures: 1949—June. July. August. September. October. November. December. 1950—January. February. March. April. May. June. July.	27,432	27,570	-61
	27,472	27,527	-43
	27,397	27,535	+8
	27,456	27,536	-29
	27,476	27,456	-50
	27,734	27,395	-61
	27,220	27,459	+64
	27,008	27,139	-320
	27,062	27,108	-131
	27,062	27,124	+116
	27,022	27,280	+156
	27,026	27,212	-68
	27,026	27,162	-50
	27,117	27,171	+9

 $^{^{\}rm I}\,{\rm For}$ end-of-year figures, represents change computed on absolute amounts in first column.

Note.-For discussion of seasonal adjustment factors and for back figures on comparable basis see BULLETIN for September 1943, pp. 822-826. Because of an apparent change in the seasonal pattern around the year-end, adjustment factors have been revised somewhat for dates affected, beginning with December 1942.

POSTAL SAVINGS SYSTEM

[In millions of dollars]

			Ass	sets	
End of month	Depositors' balances 1	Total	Cash in deposi- tory banks	U. S. Govern- ment securi- ties	Cash reserve funds, etc, ²
1943—December 1944—December 1945—December 1946—December 1947—December 1948—December	1,788 2,342 2,933 3,284 3,417 3,330	1,843 2,411 3,022 3,387 3,525 3,449	10 8 6 6 6 7	1,716 2,252 2,837 3,182 3,308 3,244	118 152 179 200 212 198
1949—February. March. April. May. June. July. August. September. October. November. December.	3,333 3,327 3,314 3,294 3,277 3,266 3,248 3,230 3,215 3,199 3,188	3,454 3,447 3,435 3,418 3,403 3,375 3,350 3,350 3,336 3,322 3,312	7 7 7 7 7 6 6 6 6 7 7	3,244 3,254 3,239 3,212 3,188 3,187 3,172 3,152 3,152 3,118 3,118	202 186 188 198 209 199 196 191 202 197 187
1950—January February March April May June	3,183 3,177 3,168 3,151 23,127 23,097	3,307 3,301 3,293 3,276	7 7 8 8	3,117 3,107 3,107 3,092	182 186 178 176

Back figures.—See Banking and Monetary Statistics, p. 519; for description, see p. 508 in the same publication.

BANK DEBITS AND DEPOSIT TURNOVER

[Debits in millions of dollars]

Year or month	Debits to	o total depo interbank	osit accounts	s, except	turnove deposits	rate of r of total s, except bank	Debits to deposit a except in and Gov	ccounts, iterbank	turnover deposits, ex	rate of of demand scept inter- Government
	Total, all reporting centers	New York City ¹	140 other centers 1	Other reporting centers 2	New York City	Other reporting centers	New York City ³	Other leading cities ³	New York City ³	Other leading cities 3
1944. 1945. 1946—old series ⁴ . 1946—new series ⁴ . 1947. 1948.	974,102 }1,050,021 1,125,074 1,249,630	404,543 417,475 405,929 449,002	462,354 479,760 527,336 599,639 667,934 648,905	83,970 89,799 105,210 119,506 132,695 129,179	17.1 18.2 18.9 21.0 23.6 24.1	10.8 9.7 10.0 { 11.9 12.9 12.4	298,902 351,602 374,365 407,946 400,468 445,221 447,150	403,400 412,800 449,414 522,944 598,445 660,155 639,772	22.4 24.2 25.5 25.2 24.1 27.2 28.2	17.3 16.1 16.9 16.5 18.0 19.2 18.7
July August September October November December	98,500 99,055	36,467 36,070 37,191 36,334 35,249	55,386 51,886 52,466 53,066 54,413 53,339 60,493	10,792 10,147 10,518 10,814 11,087 10,903 11,923	26.9 23.7 21.9 24.1 22.4 23.4 27.7	12.5 12.2 11.4 12.4 12.1 12.7 13.1	40,617 37,129 34,940 36,130 36,683 34,105 45,434	53,769 51,276 51,421 52,364 54,488 52,336 60,428	29.8 28.7 25.5 28.0 27.3 27.2 32.5	18.7 18.5 17.1 18.6 18.5 19.1 20.0
1950—January February March April May June	r96,246	35,727 43,112 37,025 41,463	r56,387 r50,556 r60,913 r54,649 r58,828 63,321	11,306 9,962 11,712 10,865 11,793 12,286	24.5 24.9 25.7 24.1 25.9 27.0	12.6 12.3 12.8 12.5 12.7 13.4	38,133 35,205 41,164 38,480 40,037 42,294	55,090 49,855 59,113 54,929 57,382 61,607	28.6 29.3 29.4 29.7 29.7 30.7	18.9 18.9 19.3 19.4 19.2 20.2

^{*} Preliminary.

¹ Outstanding principal, represented by certificates of deposit.

² Includes working cash with postmasters, 5 per cent reserve fund and miscellaneous working funds with Treasurer of United States, accrued interest on bond investments, and accounts due from late post-

r Revised.

National series for which bank debit figures are available beginning with 1919.

Number of centers reduced from 193 to 192 beginning December 1947, when one reporting bank was absorbed by a reporting bank in another city.

Weekly reporting member bank series.

Statistics for banks in leading cities revised beginning July 3, 1946; for description of revision and for back figures see BULLETIN for June 1947, pp. 692-693, and July 1947, pp. 878-883, respectively; deposits and debits of the new series for first six months of 1946 are estimated.

Note.—Debits to total deposit accounts, except interbank accounts, have been reported for 334 centers from 1942 through November 1947 and for 333 beginning December 1947; the deposits from which rates of turnover have been computed have likewise been reported by most banks and have been estimated for others. Debits to demand deposit accounts, except interbank and U. S. Government, and the deposits from which rates of turnover have been computed have been reported by member banks in leading cities since 1935.

CONSOLIDATED CONDITION STATEMENTS FOR BANKS AND THE MONETARY SYSTEM ALL COMMERCIAL AND SAVINGS BANKS, FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS, POSTAL SAVINGS SYSTEM, AND TREASURY CURRENCY FUNDS 1

[Figures partly estimated except on call dates. In millions of dollars]

<u></u>			· · · · · · · · ·		Assets						Liabi and C	lities apital
					I	Bank credi	t.			Total assets,		
Date	ļ	Treas-			U. S.	Governme	ent obliga	tions		net— Total liabil-	Total	Capital and
	Gold	ury cur- rency	Total	Loans, net	Total	Com- mercial and savings banks	Federal Reserve Banks	Other	Other secu- rities	ities and capital, net	deposits and currency	misc. ac- counts, net
1929—June 29 1933—June 30 1939—Dec. 30 1941—Dec. 31 1945—June 30 Dec. 31 1946—June 29 Dec. 31 1947—June 30 Dec. 31 1948—June 30 Dec. 31 1949—June 30	4,037 4,031 17,644 22,737 20,213 20,065 20,270 20,529 21,266 22,754 23,532 24,244 24,466	4,552 4,562 4,565 4,589	58,642 42,148 54,564 64,653 153,992 167,381 163,485 158,366 156,297 160,832 157,958 160,457 156,491	41,082 21,957 22,157 26,605 27,948 30,387 31,570 35,765 38,373 43,023 45,299 48,341 47,148	5,741 10,328 23,105 29,049 118,041 128,417 122,740 113,110 107,873 107,086 101,451 100,694 97,428	5,499 8,199 19,417 25,511 93,655 101,288 95,911 86,558 82,679 81,199 76,774 74,097 74,877	216 1,998 2,484 2,254 21,792 24,262 23,783 23,350 21,872 22,559 21,366 23,333 19,343	26 131 1,204 1,284 2,594 2,867 3,046 3,202 3,322 3,322 3,311 3,264 3,208	9,175 9,491 10,051 10,723	188,294 183,457 182,115 188,148 186,055 189,290	55,776 42,029 68,359 82,811 168,040 180,806 176,215 171,657 169,234 175,348 172,857 176,121 171,602	8,922 6,436 6,812 7,826 10,310 10,979 12,079 11,800 12,882 12,800 13,168 13,952
1949—July 27	24,500 24,600 24,600 24,600 24,500 24,427	4,600 4,600 4,600 4,600	156,500 158,700 159,800 160,300 160,700 162,681	46,500 47,200 47,900 48,100 49,000 49,604	97,800 99,100 99,300 99,600 99,100 100,456	76,100 78,300 78,300 79,100 78,300 78,433	18,500 17,500 17,900 17,400 17,700 18,885	3,200 3,200 3,200 3,100 3,100 3,138	12,300 12,500 12,600 12,600 12,600 12,621	189,000 189,500 189,800	171,500 173,800 174,400 174,900 175,300 177,313	14,200 14,200 14,500 14,600 14,500 14,392
1950— Jan. 25°. Feb. 21°. Mar. 29°. Apr. 26°. May 31°. June 28°.	24,400 24,300 24,200 24,200 24,200 24,200	4,600 4,600 4,600 4,600	162,500 161,900 161,700 162,000 162,600 164,300	49,400 49,700 50,400 50,600 51,000 51,800	100,400 99,300 98,000 97,900 98,200 98,900	79,500 78,600 77,400 77,100 77,700 77,600	17,800 17,600 17,500 17,600 17,400 18,200	3,100 3,100 3,100 3,100 3,100 3,100	12,700 12,900 13,300 13,500 13,500 13,600	190,800	177,100 176,200 176,000 176,300 176,900 178,200	14,400 14,600 14,500 14,500 14,500 15,000
-			<u> </u>	I ·	D	eposits an	d Currenc	y			1	<u>'</u>
			U. S. Go	vernment	balances		, D	eposits ac	justed an	d currency	,	
Date	Total	Foreign bank		At com-	At				Time d	leposits ³		Cur-
	Total	deposits, net	Treas- ury cash	mercial and savings banks	Federal Reserve Banks	Total	Demand deposits ²	Total	Com- mercial banks	Mutual savings banks 4	Postal Savings System	rency outside banks
1929—June 29 1933—June 30 1939—Dec. 30 1941—Dec. 31 1945—June 30 Dec. 31 1946—June 29 Dec. 31 1947—June 30 Dec. 31 1948—June 30 Dec. 31 1949—June 30	180,806 176,215 171,657 169,234 175,348 172,857 176,121 171,602	365 50 1,217 1,498 2,378 2,141 1,894 1,885 1,657 1,682 1,727 2,103 1,927	204 264 2,409 2,215 2,279 2,287 2,251 2,272 1,314 1,336 1,327 1,325 1,307	381 852 846 1,895 24,381 24,608 13,416 3,103 1,367 1,452 2,180 2,451 2,304	36 35 634 867 599 977 833 393 756 870 1,928 1,123 438	54,790 40,828 63,253 76,336 138,403 150,793 157,821 164,004 164,140 170,008 165,695 169,119 165,626	22,540 14,411 29,793 38,992 69,053 75,851 79,476 83,314 82,186 87,121 82,697 85,520 81,877	28,611 21,656 27,059 27,729 44,253 48,452 51,829 53,960 55,655 56,411 57,360 57,520 58,483	19,557 10,849 15,258 15,884 27,170 30,135 32,429 33,808 34,835 35,249 35,788 35,804 36,292	8,905 9,621 10,523 10,532 14,426 15,385 16,281 16,869 17,428 17,746 18,194 18,387 18,932	149 1,186 1,278 1,313 2,657 2,932 3,119 3,283 3,392 3,416 3,378 3,378 3,329 3,259	3,639 4,761 6,401 9,615 25,097 26,490 26,516 26,730 26,299 26,476 25,638 26,079 25,266
1949—July 27. Aug. 31. Sept. 28. Oct. 26. Nov. 30. Dec. 31.	1173 800	1,900 1,900 1,900 2,000 2,100 2,150	1,300 1,300 1,300 1,300 1,300 1,312	1,500 3,100 3,700 3,600 3,200 3,249	821	166,300 166,900 166,300 167,700 168,100 169,781	83,100 83,400 83,100 84,300 85,000 85,750	58,400 58,400 58,400 58,400 58,000 58,616	36,200 36,100 36,100 36,100 35,800 36,146	19,000 19,000 19,100 19,100 19,100 19,273	3,300 3,200 3,200 3,200 3,200 3,197	24,900 25,100 24,900 24,900 25,100 25,415
1950— Jan. 25° Feb. 21°. Mar. 29°. Apr. 26°. May 31°. June 28°.	177,100 176,200 176,000 176,300 176,900	2,200 2,200 2,300 2,400 2,400 2,500	1,300 1,300 1,300 1,300 1,300 1,300	3,300 4,200 4,300 3,200 3,200 3,800	500 400 1,000 800 600 900	169,700 168,200 167,100 168,500 169,500 169,700	86,400 84,500 83,300 84,500 85,300 85,400	58,700 59,000 59,300 59,500 59,500 59,700	36,100 36,300 36,500 36,600 36,600 36,700	19,400 19,500 19,700 19,700 19,800 19,900	3,200 3,200 3,200 3,200 3,100 3,100	24,500 24,700 24,600 24,600 24,700 24,600

NOTE.—For description of statement and back figures, see BULLETIN for January 1948, pp. 24-32. The composition of a few items differs slightly from the description in the BULLETIN article; stock of Federal Reserve Banks held by member banks is included in "Other securities" and in "Capital accounts," and balances of the Postal Savings System and the Exchange Stabilization Fund with the U. S. Treasury are netted against miscellaneous accounts instead of against U. S. Government deposits and Treasury cash. Except on call dates, figures are rounded to nearest 100 million dollars and may not add to the totals. See Banking and Monetary Statistics, Table 9, pp. 34-35, for back figures for deposits and currency.

Treasury funds included are the gold account, Treasury currency account, and Exchange Stabilization Fund.

Demand deposits, other than interbank and U. S. Government, less cash items reported as in process of collection.

Excludes interbank time deposits; United States Treasurer's time deposits, open account; and deposits of Postal Savings System in banks.

Prior to June 30, 1947, includes a relatively small amount of demand deposits.

ALL BANKS IN THE UNITED STATES, BY CLASSES *

PRINCIPAL ASSETS AND LIABILITIES, AND NUMBER OF BANKS

[Figures partly estimated except on call dates. Amounts in millions of dollars]

		Loans	and inves	tments				Dep	osits			
Class of hands			I	nvestment	s	Cont			Ot	her	Total	Number
Class of bank and date	Total	Loans	Total	U.S. Govern- ment obliga- tions	Other secu- rities	Cash assets 1	Total 1	Inter- bank ¹	De- mand	Time	capital accounts	of banks
All banks: 1939—Dec. 30 1941—Dec. 31 1942—Dec. 31 1943—Dec. 31 1944—Dec. 30 1945—Dec. 31 1946—Dec. 31 1946—Dec. 31 1947—Dec. 31 1949—June 30 Dec. 31 1950—Jan. 25° Feb. 21° Mar. 20° Apr. 26° May 31° June 28°	50,884 61,126 78,147 96,966 119,461 140,227 131,698 134,924 133,693 141,320 141,320 141,320 141,330 142,360 143,380	26,615 23,916	28,719 34,511 54,231 73,365 93,446 109,865 96,050 91,923 85,519 86,792 91,054 92,210 91,430 90,690 90,620 91,180 91,220	19,417 25,511 45,951 65,932 85,885 101,288 86,558 81,199 74,097 74,877 78,433 79,490 77,370 77,140 77,710 77,590	9,302 8,999 8,280 7,433 7,561 8,577 9,491 10,723 11,422 11,2562 12,720 13,320 13,480 13,470 13,630	23,292 27,344 28,701 28,475 30,790 35,415 35,041 38,388 34,74 34,966 36,522 33,580 33,580 33,580 33,580 33,580 33,580 33,580 33,580 33,580 33,590 33,500 33,500 33,500 33,500 33,500 33,500 33,500 33,500 33,500 33,500 33,500 33,500 33,500 33,500 33,500 33,500 33,500 33,500 33,500 33,500 33,500 33,500 33,500 33,500 33,500 33,500 33,500 33,500 33,500 33,500 33,500 33,500 33,500 33,500 33,500 33,500 33,500 34,500 34,500 35,500 35,500 35,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,500 36,	68,242 81,816 99,803 117,661 141,448 165,612 155,902 161,865 161,248 156,470 164,467 162,510 161,970 160,020 160,710 162,940	9,874 10,982 11,308 11,003 12,235 14,065 12,656 13,033 12,269 10,938 12,710 12,050 11,690 11,230 11,240 11,130	32,516 44,357 75,577 91,663 105,935 92,462 95,727 94,671 96,156 94,760 94,320 92,500 94,410 94,880	25,852 26,479 27,058 31,081 37,551 45,613 50,784 53,105 54,308 55,386 55,601 55,700 55,960 56,290 56,480 56,550 56,760	8,194 8,414 8,566 8,996 9,643 10,542 11,360 11,948 12,479 12,845 13,110 13,190 13,270 13,270 13,450 13,600	15,035 14,826 14,682 14,579 14,535 14,535 14,714 14,703 14,680 14,687 14,683 14,682 14,684 14,674 14,674
All commercial banks: 1939—Dec. 30. 1941—Dec. 31. 1942—Dec. 31. 1943—Dec. 31. 1944—Dec. 30. 1945—Dec. 31. 1946—Dec. 31. 1947—Dec. 31. 1947—Dec. 31. 1949—June 30. Dec. 31. 1950—Jan. 25» Feb. 21» Mar. 29» Apr. 26» May 31» June 23»	40,668 50,746 67,393 85,095 105,530 124,019 113,993 116,284 114,298 113,773 120,197 121,230 120,600 120,320 120,380 121,220	26,083 31,122 38,057 42,488 41,025 42,965 42,940 43,130 43,650 43,800 44,080	23,430 29,032 48,172 65,978 83,886 97,936 82,871 78,226 71,811 72,748 77,232 78,290 77,470 76,670 76,580 77,140 77,190	16,316 21,808 41,379 59,842 77,557 90,606 74,780 69,221 62,622 63,220 67,005 67,980 67,070 65,820 65,570 66,140 66,030	7,114 7,225 6,793 6,136 6,329 7,331 8,091 9,189 9,528 10,227 10,310 10,400 10,850 11,010 11,000 11,160	22.474 26,551 28,039 27,677 30,206 34,806 34,223 37,502 38,596 34,166 35,650 32,750 32,870 31,460 31,970 32,680 32,470	57,718 71,283 89,135 105,923 128,072 150,227 139,033 144,103 142,843 137,520 145,174 143,080 142,440 140,960 142,280 143,000	9,874 10,982 11,308 11,003 12,235 14,065 12,656 13,032 12,269 10,938 12,709 12,050 11,690 11,240 11,130	32,513 44,349 61,431 75,569 91,653 105,921 92,446 95,711 94,654 90,128 96,136 94,740 94,300 92,480 92,970 94,860	15,331 15,952 16,395 19,350 24,184 30,241 33,930 35,360 35,921 36,455 36,328 36,450 36,630 36,750 36,760 36,840	6,885 7,173 7,330 7,719 8,265 8,950 9,577 10,059 10,480 10,780 11,020 11,080 11,090 11,090 11,380	14,484 14,278 14,136 14,034 13,992 14,011 14,044 14,181 14,171 14,156 14,158 14,158 14,151 14,153 14,143 14,143
All member banks: 1939—Dec. 30 1941—Dec. 31 1942—Dec. 31 1943—Dec. 31 1944—Dec. 30 1945—Dec. 31 1946—Dec. 31 1946—Dec. 31 1948—Dec. 31 1949—June 30 Dec. 31 1950—Jan. 25p Feb. 21p Mar. 20p Apr. 26p May 31p June 28p	33,941 43,521 59,263 74,258 91,569 107,183 96,362 97,846 95,616 95,315 101,528 102,418 101,709 101,428 102,179 103,060	18,021 16,088 16,288 18,676 22,775 26,696 32,628 36,060 34,456 36,230 36,158 36,286 36,732 36,842 37,070	19,979 25,500 43,175 57,970 72,893 84,408 69,666 65,218 59,557 60,859 65,297 66,260 65,423 64,668 64,586 65,109 65,242	14,328 19,539 37,546 52,948 67,685 78,338 63,042 57,914 52,154 53,132 56,883 57,754 56,838 55,669 55,441 55,988 55,977	5,651 5,961 5,629 5,022 5,208 6,070 6,625 7,304 7,403 7,727 8,414 8,506 8,585 8,999 9,145 9,121 9,265	19,782 23,123 24,280 23,790 25,860 29,845 29,587 32,845 34,203 30,423 31,317 28,675 28,843 27,533 28,039 28,692 28,532	49,340 61,717 78,277 92,262 110,917 129,670 118,170 122,528 121,362 116,980 123,885 121,908 121,253 119,264 119,851 121,076 121,793	9,410 10,525 11,000 10,555 11,884 13,640 12,060 12,403 11,641 10,374 12,097 11,435 11,096 10,664 10,683 10,587 10,751	28, 231 38, 846 54, 523 66, 438 79, 774 91, 820 78, 920 81, 785 80, 881 77, 342 81, 363 80, 917 79, 230 79, 794 80, 995 81, 457	11,699 12,347 12,754 15,268 19,259 24,210 27,190 28,340 28,840 29,264 29,160 29,110 29,240 29,370 29,464 29,585	5,522 5,886 6,101 6,475 6,968 7,589 8,965 8,464 8,801 9,174 9,179 9,210 9,272 9,379 9,524	6,362 6,679 6,679 6,738 6,814 6,884 6,900 6,923 6,918 6,892 6,892 6,892 6,893 6,895 6,889 6,889 6,889 6,889
All mutual savings banks: 1939—Dec. 30. 1941—Dec. 31. 1942—Dec. 31. 1943—Dec. 31. 1944—Dec. 30. 1945—Dec. 31. 1946—Dec. 31. 1947—Dec. 31. 1948—Dec. 31. 1949—June 30. Dec. 31. 1950—Jan. 25p. Feb. 21p. Mar. 20p. Apr. 26p. May 31p. June 28p.	10,216 10,379 10,754 11,871 13,931 16,208 17,704 18,641 19,395 20,094 20,400 20,590 20,720 20,890 21,010 21,140 21,240	4,901 4,695 4,484 4,370 4,279 4,526 4,944 5,686 6,050 6,578 6,670 6,760 6,870 7,100	5,289 5,478 6,059 7,387 9,560 11,928 13,179 13,696 13,709 14,044 13,822 13,920 14,020 14,020 14,040 14,030	3,101 3,704 4,572 6,090 8,328 10,682 11,778 11,978 11,476 11,428 11,510 11,500 11,550 11,570 11,570	2,188 1,774 1,487 1,292 1,240 1,718 2,233 2,387 2,410 2,470 2,470 2,470 2,470 2,470	818 793 663 797 584 609 818 886 873 830 840 860 870 830	19.810	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	3 6 6 8 10 14 16 17 17 17 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20	10,521 10,527 10,662 11,730 13,366 15,371 16,853 17,745 18,387 19,273 19,410 19,510 19,660 19,790 19,920	1,309 1,241 1,236 1,276 1,378 1,592 1,784 1,889 1,999 2,065 2,122 2,130 2,170 2,190 2,180 2,200 2,220	551 548 546 545 543 542 541 533 532 530 531 531 531 531 531 531

^{*} Preliminary. * "All banks" comprise "all commercial banks" and "all mutual savings banks." "All commercial banks" comprise "all nonmember commercial banks" and "all member banks" with exception of three mutual savings banks that became members in 1941. Stock savings banks and nondeposit trust companies are included with "commercial" banks. Number of banks includes a few noninsured banks for which asset and liability data are not available. Comparability of figures for classes of banks is affected somewhat by changes in Federal Reserve membership, insurance status, and the reserve classifications of cities and individual banks, and by mergers, etc.

1 Beginning June 30, 1942, excludes reciprocal balances, which on Dec. 31, 1942, aggregated 513 million dollars at all member banks and 525 million at all insured commercial banks.

For other footnotes see following two pages.

ALL BANKS IN THE UNITED STATES, BY CLASSES *-Continued

PRINCIPAL ASSETS AND LIABILITIES, AND NUMBER OF BANKS-Continued

[Figures partly estimated except on call dates. Amounts in millions of dollars]

		Loans	and inves	tments				Dep	osits			
a			I	nvestment	s	C1			Ot	ner	Total	Number
Class of bank and date	Total	Loans	Total	U.S. Govern- ment obliga- tions	Other secu- rities	Cash assets 1	Total 1	Inter- bank 1	De- mand	Time	capital accounts	of banks
Central reserve city member banks: New York City: 1939—Dec. 30. 1941—Dec. 31. 1942—Dec. 31. 1943—Dec. 31. 1944—Dec. 31. 1944—Dec. 31. 1946—Dec. 31. 1946—Dec. 31. 1948—Dec. 31. 1949—June 30. Dec. 31. 1950—Jan. 25p. Feb. 21p. Mar. 29p. Apr. 26p. May 31p. June 28p.	9,339 12,896 17,957 19,994 24,003 26,143 20,834 20,393 18,759 19,158 19,583 19,672 19,246 19,135 19,243 19,243 19,770	3,296 4,072 4,116 4,428 5,763 4,428 5,763 7,334 6,368 7,179 7,550 7,485 7,495 7,534 7,667 7,924	6,043 8,823 13,841 15,565 18,289 14,465 13,214 10,712 11,413 12,033 12,187 11,751 11,601 11,561 11,661 11,646	4,772 7,265 12,547 14,563 17,179 13,308 117,574 13,308 10,278 10,746 10,797 10,0357 10,004 9,663 10,153 10,334	1,272 1,559 1,294 1,002 1,063 1,235 1,158 1,242 1,063 1,135 1,287 1,390 1,394 1,597 1,597 1,597	6,703 6,637 5,864 5,197 4,921 6,439 6,238 7,109 6,985 6,004 6,373 6,021 6,060 6,382 6,072	14,509 17,932 22,078 23,256 26,773 30,121 24,723 25,216 24,024 23,983 22,995 22,868 22,211 22,380 30,121 22,380 30,121 23,913 22,95 22,95 22,011 22,380	4,238 4,207 3,945 3,680 4,041 4,657 4,246 4,421 3,898 3,898 3,881 3,704 3,818 3,818 3,818 3,818 3,818	9,533 12,917 17,399 18,729 21,730 24,227 19,028 19,307 18,131 18,039 17,510 17,412 16,895 16,956 17,230 17,420	736 807 734 847 1,002 1,236 1,445 1,655 1,651 1,587 1,612 1,602 1,606 1,650	1,592 1,648 1,727 1,862 2,120 2,205 2,259 2,306 2,340 2,312 2,312 2,311 2,312 2,313 2,314 2,336	36 36 37 37 37 37 37 35 35 25 25 25 25 25
Chicago: 1939—Dec. 30. 1941—Dec. 31. 1942—Dec. 31. 1943—Dec. 31. 1944—Dec. 30. 1945—Dec. 31. 1946—Dec. 31. 1947—Dec. 31. 1948—Dec. 31. 1949—June 30. Dec. 31. 1950—Jan. 25p. Feb. 21p. Mar. 20p. Apr. 26p. May 31p. June 28p.	2,105 2,760 3,973 4,554 5,931 4,765 5,088 4,799 4,841 5,424 5,422 5,063 5,103 5,217 5,269	569 954 832 1,004 1,184 1,333 1,499 1,801 1,783 1,537 1,618 1,554 1,554 1,554 1,554	1,536 1,806 3,141 3,550 4,258 4,598 3,266 3,287 3,016 3,303 3,708 3,728 3,555 3,681 3,719	1,203 1,430 2,789 3,238 3,913 4,213 2,912 2,890 2,633 2,888 3,345 3,345 3,223 2,980 2,992 3,119 3,158	333 376 352 312 345 385 385 397 383 415 505 505 563 563 561	1,446 1,566 1,352 1,283 1,378 1,489 1,545 1,739 1,932 1,702 1,850 1,695 1,624 1,486 1,642 1,664	3,330 4,057 5,040 5,523 6,468 7,046 5,905 6,402 6,293 6,087 6,810 6,600 6,438 6,003 6,243 6,243 6,243 6,445	888 1,035 1,117 985 1,148 1,312 1,153 1,217 1,064 1,127 1,077 1,077 1,077 1,086 1,026 1,044 1,038	1,947 2,546 3,468 4,029 4,700 5,015 3,922 4,273 4,227 4,020 4,535 4,391 4,270 3,861 4,130 4,256 4,310	495 476 455 508 620 719 829 913 1,001 1,059 1,083 1,082 1,091 1,056 1,087	250 288 304 326 354 377 404 426 444 462 470 466 467 470 471 478 480	14 13 13 13 13 12 14 14 13 13 13 13 13 13 13 13 13 13
Reserve city member banks: 1939—Dec. 30	36,040 35,332 35,034 38,301 38,802 38,406 38,340 38,201 38,556	5,329 7,105 6,102 6,201 6,822 13,449 14,285 13,261 14,370 14,302 14,547 14,470 14,653 14,883	6,944 8,243 14,813 21,321 26,781 31,594 24,527 22,591 21,047 21,772 23,931 24,492 24,104 23,793 23,731 23,903 24,021	5,194 6,467 13,038 19,682 25,042 29,552 22,250 20,196 18,594 19,076 20,951 21,500 21,082 20,680 20,546 20,672 20,695	1,749 1,776 1,775 1,639 2,042 2,276 2,453 2,696 2,980 2,980 2,992 3,022 3,113 3,185 3,231 3,326	6,785 8,518 9,426 9,327 10,238 11,286 11,654 13,317 11,618 12,168 11,141 11,119 10,576 10,894 11,107 11,325	17,741 22,313 28,700 41,804 49,085 44,477 46,467 45,943 43,852 47,559 46,974 46,510 45,845 45,987 46,462 46,929	3,686 4,460 4,957 4,874 5,524 6,448 5,570 5,649 5,400 4,665 5,713 5,430 4,968 4,968 4,968 4,968 4,924	9,439 13,047 18,747 24,086 28,525 32,877 28,049 29,395 29,153 27,560 30,182 29,882 29,632 29,174 29,292 29,292 29,888 30,143	4,616 4,806 4,995 6,109 7,755 9,760 10,853 11,423 11,621 11,664 11,662 11,672 11,727 11,727 11,714 11,862	1,828 1,967 2,028 2,135 2,327 2,566 2,728 2,844 2,928 3,005 3,074 3,074 3,116 3,123 3,146 3,269	346 351 354 357 356 359 355 333 335 341 341 341 338 338 338 338
Country member banks: 1939—Dec. 30. 1941—Dec. 31. 1942—Dec. 31. 1943—Dec. 31. 1944—Dec. 30. 1945—Dec. 31. 1946—Dec. 31. 1947—Dec. 31. 1949—June 30. Dec. 31. 1950—Jan. 25** Feb. 21** Mar. 29** Apr. 26** May 31** June 28**	35,412 36,324 36,726 36,338 38,219 38,532 38,775 38,862 38,918 39,163	4,768 5,890 5,038 4,654 4,910 5,596 8,004 10,199 11,945 11,968 12,692 12,784 12,935 13,097 13,179 13,274 13,461	5,456 6,628 11,380 17,531 23,610 29,407 27,408 26,125 24,782 24,370 25,527 25,748 25,765 25,765 25,889 25,656	3,159 4,377 9,172 15,465 21,552 26,999 24,572 22,857 21,278 20,889 21,862 22,112 22,176 22,005 21,940 22,044 21,790	2,297 2,250 2,208 2,058 2,058 2,483 3,268 3,504 3,481 3,665 3,636 3,760 3,760 3,760 3,845 3,866	4,848 6,402 7,638 7,983 9,323 10,632 10,151 10,778 11,196 9,934 10,314 9,835 9,727 9,450 9,450 9,443 9,545 9,471	13,762 17,415 22,459 28,414 43,58,871 43,418 44,443 45,102 43,422 45,534 45,339 45,437 45,205 45,437 45,205 45,408	598 822 980 1,015 1,171 1,293 1,091 1,073 964 781 1,001 980 932 900 871 857 848	7,312 10,335 14,909 19,594 24,818 29,700 27,921 28,810 29,370 27,758 29,771 29,580 29,603 29,300 29,300 29,306 29,306 29,584	5,852 6,258 6,569 7,804 14,053 14,560 14,763 14,762 14,779 14,902 15,005 15,044 14,976	1,851 1,982 2,042 2,153 2,321 2,525 2,757 2,934 3,123 3,123 3,305 3,346 3,363 3,346 3,358 3,431 3,439	5,966 6,219 6,275 6,331 6,408 6,476 6,519 6,513 6,513 6,513 6,513 6,513 6,513 6,513 6,513

² December 31, 1947 figures are consistent (except that they exclude possessions) with the revised all bank series announced in November 1947 by the Federal bank supervisory agencies, but are not entirely comparable with prior figures shown above; a net of 115 noninsured nonmember commercial banks with total loans and investments of approximately 110 million dollars was added, and 8 banks with total loans and investments of 34 millions were transferred from noninsured mutual savings to nonmember commercial banks.

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ALL BANKS IN THE UNITED STATES, BY CLASSES *-Continued

PRINCIPAL ASSETS AND LIABILITIES, AND NUMBER OF BANKS-Continued

[Amounts in millions of dollars]

		Loans	and inves	tments				Dep	osits			
			I	nvestment	8	_			Otl	her	Total	Number
Class of bank and date	Total	Loans	Total	U. S. Govern- ment obliga- tions	Other secu- rities	Cash assets 1	Total 1	Inter- bank ¹	De- mand	Time	capital accounts	of banks
All insured commercial banks: 1941—Dec. 31. 1945—Dec. 31. 1946—Dec. 31. 1947—Dec. 31. 1948—Dec. 31. 1948—Dec. 31. Dec. 31.	49,290 121,809 112,178 114,274 112,286 111,746 118,278	21,259 25,765 30,733 37,583 41,968 40,524 42,485	28,031 96,043 81,445 76,691 70,318 71,222 75,793	21,046 88,912 73,554 67,941 61,388 61,970 65,820	6,984 7,131 7,891 8,750 8,929 9,252 9,974	25,788 34,292 33,694 36,926 38,087 33,720 35,207	69,411 147,775 136,990 141,851 140,642 135,375 143,138	10,654 13,883 12,320 12,670 11,900 10,578 12,368	43,059 104,015 91,144 94,300 93,300 88,830 94,914	15,699 29,876 33,526 34,882 35,441 35,966 35,856	6,844 8,671 9,286 9,734 10,158 10,452 10,645	13,426 13,297 13,354 13,398 13,413 13,417 13,429
National member banks: 1941—Dec. 31	27,571 69,312 63,723 65,280 63,845 63,517 67,943	11,725 13,925 17,272 21,428 23,752 22,505 23,853	15,845 55,387 46,451 43,852 40,093 41,012 44,090	12,039 51,250 41,658 38,674 34,852 35,487 38,161	3,806 4,137 4,793 5,178 5,241 5,525 5,930	14,977 20,114 20,012 22,024 22,974 20,324 20,995	39,458 84,939 78,775 82,023 81,407 78,219 83,113	6,786 9,229 8,169 8,410 7,842 6,945 8,278	24,350 59,486 52,194 54,335 54,020 51,420 55,034	8,322 16,224 18,412 19,278 19,545 19,854 19,801	3,640 4,644 5,138 5,409 5,657 5,814 5,920	5,117 5,017 5,007 5,005 4,991 4,987 4,975
State member banks: 1941—Dec. 31	15,950 37,871 32,639 32,566 31,771 31,798 33,585	6,295 8,850 9,424 11,200 12,308 11,951 12,378	9,654 29,021 23,216 21,365 19,463 19,847 21,207	7,500 27,089 21,384 19,240 17,301 17,645 18,722	2,155 1,933 1,832 2,125 2,161 2,202 2,484	8,145 9,731 9,575 10,822 11,228 10,099 10,322	22,259 44,730 39,395 40,505 39,955 38,761 40,772	3,739 4,411 3,890 3,993 3,799 3,429 3,819	14,495 32,334 26,726 27,449 26,862 25,922 27,594	4,025 7,986 8,779 9,062 9,295 9,410 9,359	2,246 2,945 2,957 3,055 3,144 3,208 3,254	1,502 1,867 1,893 1,918 1,927 1,916 1,917
Insured nonmember commercial banks: 1941—Dec. 31	5,776 14,639 15,831 16,444 16,685 16,447 16,766	3,241 2,992 4,040 4,958 5,911 6,071 6,258	2,535 11,647 11,791 11,486 10,774 10,376 10,508	1,509 10,584 10,524 10,039 9,246 8,849 8,947	1,025 1,063 1,268 1,448 1,528 1,527 1,561	2,668 4,448 4,109 4,083 3,887 3,299 3,892	7,702 18,119 18,836 19,340 19,296 18,410 19,269	129 244 260 266 259 204 272	4,213 12,196 12,225 12,515 12,419 11,488 12,285	3,360 5,680 6,351 6,558 6,618 6,718 6,712	959 1,083 1,193 1,271 1,358 1,431 1,473	6,810 6,416 6,457 6,478 6,498 6,517 6,540
Noninsured nonmem- ber commercial banks:												
banks: 1941—Dec. 31 1945—Dec. 31 1946—Dec. 31 1947—Dec. 31 2 1948—Dec. 31 1949—June 30 Dec. 31	1,457 2,211 1,815 2,009 2,013 2,027 1,919	455 318 389 474 520 502 481	1,002 1,893 1,426 1,535 1,493 1,526 1,438	761 1,693 1,226 1,280 1,234 1,250 1,185	241 200 200 255 259 276 253	763 514 530 576 509 446 442	1,872 2,452 2,043 2,251 2,201 2,146 2,036	329 181 336 363 368 359 341	1,291 1,905 1,302 1,411 1,353 1,298 1,223	253 365 404 478 479 488 472	329 279 290 325 322 329 321	852 714 690 783 758 733 727
All nonmember com- mercial banks: 1941—Dec. 31 1945—Dec. 31 1946—Dec. 31 1947—Dec. 31 1948—Dec. 31 1949—June 30 Dec. 31	7,233 16,849 17,646 18,454 18,698 18,474	3,696 3,310 4,429 5,432 6,431 6,573 6,739	3,536 13,539 13,217 13,021 12,267 11,901 11,947	2,270 12,277 11,749 11,318 10,479 10,098 10,132	1,266 1,262 1,468 1,703 1,788 1,803 1,814	3,431 4,962 4,639 4,659 4,396 3,745 4,334	9,574 20,571 20,879 21,591 21,497 20,556 21,305	457 425 597 629 628 563 613	5,504 14,101 13,526 13,926 13,772 12,786 13,508	3,613 6,045 6,756 7,036 7,097 7,207 7,184	1,288 1,362 1,483 1,596 1,680 1,760 1,794	7,662 7,130 7,147 7,261 7,256 7,250 7,267
Insured mutual savings banks: 1941—Dec. 31	1,693 10,846 11,891 12,683 13,312 13,880 14,209	642 3,081 3,250 3,560 4,109 4,397 4,814	1,050 7,765 8,641 9,123 9,202 9,484 9,394	629 7,160 7,946 8,165 7,795 7,940 7,832	421 606 695 958 1,407 1,544 1,562	151 429 612 675 684 629 682	1,789 10,363 11,428 12,207 12,772 13,241 13,592	1 1 1 1	12 13 14 14 13 16	1,789 10,351 11,415 12,192 12,757 13,226 13,575	164 1,034 1,173 1,252 1,334 1,381 1,420	52 192 191 194 193 191 192
Noninsured mutual savings banks: 1941—Dec. 31	8,687 5,361 5,813 5,957 6,083 6,214 6,192	4,259 1,198 1,275 1,384 1,577 1,654 1,764	4,428 4,163 4,538 4,573 4,506 4,560 4,428	3,075 3,522 3,833 3,813 3,680 3,718 3,596	1,353 641 705 760 826 843 832	642 180 206 211 194 171 191	8,744 5,022 5,442 5,556 5,633 5,709 5,702		6 2 3 3 4 3	8,738 5,020 5,439 5,553 5,631 5,705 5,699	1,077 558 611 637 665 683 702	496 350 350 339 339 339 339

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Back figures.—See Banking and Monetary Statistics, Tables 1-7, pp. 16-23; for description, see pp. 5-15 in the same publication. For revisions in series prior to June 30, 1947, see Bulletin for July 1947, pp. 870-871.

ALL INSURED COMMERCIAL BANKS IN THE UNITED STATES, BY CLASSES*

LOANS AND INVESTMENTS

[In millions of dollars]

					Loan	S 1							Inve	estment	s			
	Total		Com- mer- cial,		Loan purch or car	asing rying					- T	J. S. G	overnme		gations	1	Obli- ga- tions	
Class of bank and call date	loans and invest- ments	Total ¹	in- clud- ing	Agri- cul-	To	ities	Real es- tate	Con- sumer	Other loans	Total			Dis Certifi-	rect	 !	Guar-	of	Other secu-
	ments		open- mar- ket pa- per	tur- al	brok- ers and deal- ers	To oth- ers	loans	loans	Toans		Total	Bills	cates of in- debt- ed- ness	Notes	Bonds	an- teed	polit- ical sub- divi- sions	rities
All insured com- mercial banks: 1941—Dec. 31 1945—Dec. 31 1946—Dec. 31 1947—Dec. 31 1948—Dec. 31 1949—June 30 Dec. 31	121,809 112,178 114,274 112,286 111,746	21,259 25,765 30,733 37,583 41,968 40,524 42,485	9,461 14,016 18,012 18,761 16,292	1,314 1,358 1,610 2,775 2,734	3,164 1,517 823 1,336 1,972	3,606 1,609 1,190 939 901	4,773 4,677 7,103 9,266 10,666 10,887 11,405	2,361 4,031 5,654 6,804 7,170	1,181 1,098 1,028 1,095 1,022	96,043 81,445 76,691 70,318 71,222	21,046 88,912 73,554 67,941 61,388 61,970 65,820	2,455 1,271 2,124 2,821 2,846	19,071 12,288 7,552 10,065 10,437	16,045 6,780 5,918 3,394 2,045	12,797 51,321 53,200 52,334 45,100 46,636 43,833	22 15 14 8 6	3,873 4,298	3,258 3,592 3,621 3,420 3,489
Member banks, total:						500	2 404	,	602	25 500	10 520	971		2 007	11 720	2. 020	2 000	2 874
1941—Dec. 31 1945—Dec. 31 1946—Dec. 31 1947—Dec. 31 1948—Dec. 31 1949—June 30 Dec. 31 1950—Apr. 24	107,183 96,362 97,846 95,616 95,315 101,528	26,696 32,628 36,060 34,456 36,230	8,949 13,154 16,962 17,631 15,213 15,857	884 1,046 1,800 1,704	594 3,133 1,506 811 1,324 1,958 1,737	2 270	3,494 3,455 5,358 7,130 8,244 8,383 8,834	la non	1,104 1,020 952 1,006 935 1,034	84,408 69,666 65,218 59,556 60,859 65,297	19,539 78,338 63,042 57,914 52,154 53,132 56,883 55,575	2,275 1,167 1,987 2,588 2,651 3,389	16,985 10,043 5,816 7,999 8,469 10,409	11/1/2/71	11,729 44,792 46,219 45,286 38,761 40,369 37,996	1 16	3,254 3,548 4,199 4,480 4,710 5,274	2,815 3,077 3,105 2,922 3,016
New York City: ² 1941—Dec. 31 1945—Dec. 31 1946—Dec. 31 1947—Dec. 31 1948—Dec. 31 1949—Juna 30 Dec. 31.3. 1950—Apr. 24		7,334 6,368 7,179 8,048 7,689 7,550	3,044 4,078 5,361 5,642 4,710	3	412 2,453 1,096 545 1,102 1,701 1,410	389 267 225 248	123 80 99 111 224 209 256	287 455 564 643 650	250 330 306 268	14,465 13,215 10,712 11,413 12,033	7,265 17,574 13,308 11,972 9,649 10,278 10,746 9,987	477 387 1,002 589 777 720	3,433 1,725 640 1,183 1,472 1,785	992 558 365 132	10,337 10,202 9,771 7,512 7,897	1	606 557 638 563 611 752	629 601 604 500 525 535
Chicago: ² 1941—Dec. 31 1945—Dec. 31 1946—Dec. 31 1947—Dec. 31 1948—Dec. 31 1949—Juna 30 Dec. 31 1950—Apr. 24	2,760 5,931 4,765 5,088 4,799 4,841 5,424 5,091	1,333 1,499 1,801 1,783 1,537 1,618	1,418	2 3 3 4 6	48 211 117 73 71 83 109	233 101 87 63 60	51 46 51 48	105 149 176 156	29 26 27 26	3,266 3,287 3,016 3,303	4,213 2,912 2,890 2,633 2,888 3,324	133 60 132 183 369 331	1,467 498 235	248 217 125	1,864 2,207 2,274 1,958 2,051		182 181 167 213 210 235 290 340	204 187 185 174 180 192
Reserve city banks: 1941—Dec. 31 1945—Dec. 31 1946—Dec. 31 1947—Dec. 31 1948—Dec. 31 1949—June 30 Dec. 31 1950—Apr. 24	35,351 36,040 35,332 35,034 38,301	7,105 8,514 10,825 13,449 14,285 13,261 14,370 14,493	3,661 5,548 7,088 7,282 6,227 6,704	205 201 3 225 437 378	427 264 170 130	1,503 704 484 360 321	3,147 3,503 3,559	1, 855 1,436 1,969 2,315 2,408 2,745	435 366 412 385	31,594 24,527 22,591 21,047 21,772 23,931	6,467 29,552 22,250 20,196 18,594 19,076 20,951 20,612	1,034 441 373 1,056 875 1,189	2,358 3,201 3,367	5,653 1,993 1,901 1,090 603	4,248 15,878 16,013 15,560 13,247 14,230 13,457	3	1,126 1,272 1,342 1,421 1,559 1,727	916 1,004 1,053
Country banks: 1941—Dec. 31. 1945—Dec. 31. 1946—Dec. 31. 1947—Dec. 31. 1948—Dec. 31. 1949—June 30. Dec. 31. 1950—Apr. 24.	35,412 36,324 36,726 36,338 38,219	5,890 5,596 8,004 10,199 11,945 11,968 12,692 13,148	2,433 3,096 3,296 3,098 3,150	648	42 29 23 21 23	471 273 227 187 175	3,827 4,467 4,567		2 306 229 261 261 256 259	29,407 27,408 26,125 24,781 24,370 25,527	4,377 26,999 24,572 22,857 21,278 20,889 21,862 21,964	630 279 480 760 630 1,148	5,102 4,020 2,583 3,340 3,286	2,470 2,108 1,128 778	2,926 16,713 17,797 8 17,681 16,046 16,192 15,189	5 9 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6	1,342 1,551 62,006 2,286 2,306 2,505	1,028 1,067 1,285 1,262 1,217 1,174 1,160 1,148
Insured non- member com- mercial banks; 1941—Dec. 31. 1945—Dec. 31. 1947—Dec. 31. 1948—Dec. 31. 1949—June 30. Dec. 31.	15,831 16,444 16,685 16,447	4,040	512 862 1,049 1,131 1,079	459 474 563 975 1,030	31 12 13 12 14	125 105 97	1,282 1,224 1,748 2,139 2,426 2,508 2,575	460 723 992 61,220 81,311 51,453	354 0 77 3 79 2 76 0 89 1 87 8 87	2,535 11,647 11,791 511,486 10,774 710,376	1,509 10,584 10,524 10,039 9,246 8,849 8,849	17 180 104 136 234 196 303	2,087 2,247 1,736 2,066 1,968	1,774 1,179 1,104 594	6,991 7,058 6,349 6,27	3 4	619	443 516 517 498 473

^{*} These figures do not include data for banks in possessions of the United States. During 1941 three mutual savings banks became members of the Federal Reserve System; these banks are included in "member banks" but are not included in "all insured commercial banks." Comparability of figures for classes of banks is affected somewhat by changes in Federal Reserve membership, insurance status, and the reserve classifications of cities and individual banks, and by mergers, etc.

1 Beginning June 30, 1948, figures for various loan items are shown gross (i. e., before deduction of valuation reserves); they do not add to the total and are not entirely comparable with prior figures.

2 Central reserve city banks.

For other footnotes see opposite page.

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ALL INSURED COMMERCIAL BANKS IN THE UNITED STATES, BY CLASSES *-Continued RESERVES AND LIABILITIES

[In millions of dollars]

							Deman	d deposit	s			Time o	leposits			
Class of bank and	Re- serves with Federal	Cash in	Bal- ances with	De- mand de-	Interi depo	bank sits	U. S.	States	Certi- fied	Indi- viduals,		U. S. Gov- ern-	States and	Indi- viduals,	Bor- row-	Capi- tal
call date	Re- serve Banks	vault	do- mestic banks ⁴	posits ad- justed ⁵	Do- mestic ⁴	For- eign	Gov- ern- ment	and political subdi- visions	and offi- cers' checks, etc.	partner- ships, and cor- pora- tions	Inter- bank	ment and Postal Sav- ings	polit- ical	partner- ships, and cor- pora- tions	ings	ac- counts
All Insured com- mercial banks: 1941—Dec. 31 1945—Dec. 31 1946—Dec. 31 1947—Dec. 31 1948—Dec. 31 1949—June 30 Dec. 31	16,013 17,796 20,404	1,829 2,012 2,145 1,939 2,036	8,570 11,075 9,481 9,736 8,947 7,777 9,466	37,845 74,722 82,085 85,751 84,211 80,613 84,576	9,823 12,566 10,888 11,236 10,344 9,058 10,885	673 1,248 1,364 1,379 1,488 1,374 1,315	1,761 23,740 2,930 1,325 2,323 2,135 3,050	3,677 5,098 5,967 6,692 7,182 7,337 7,419	1,077 2,585 2,361 2,559 2,113 2,352 2,338	36,544 72,593 79,887 83,723 81,682 77,005 82,106	158 70 68 54 69 146 169	59 103 119 111 117 163 182	492 496 664 826 1,080 1,243 1,232	29,277 32,742 33,946	215 39 61 54 27	6,844 8,671 9,286 9,734 10,158 10,452 10,645
Member banks, total:	12,396	1,087	6,246	33,754	0.714	671	1 700	2 066			140	F0	410	11 070	4	E 004
1941—Dec. 31 1945—Dec. 31 1946—Dec. 31 1947—Dec. 31	15,811 16,015 17,797	1,438 1,576 1,672	7,117 5,936 6,270	33,754 64,184 70,243 73,528 72,152 69,397	12,333 10,644 10,978	1,243 1,353 1,375	1,709 22,179 2,672 1,176	3,066 4,240 4,915 5,504	1,009 2,450 2,207 2,401	33,061 62,950 69,127 72,704	140 64 62 50	50 99 114 105	418 399 551 693	23,712 26,525	208 30 54	5,886 7,589 8,095 8,464
1948—Dec. 31 1949—June 30 Dec. 31 1950—Apr. 24	20,406 17,808 16,429 15,643	1,486 1,568 1,521	5,674 5,065 6,194 5,288	72,152 69,397 72,658 71,869	10,098 8,864 10,623 9,150	1.310	2,122 1,980 2,838 2,687	5,850	1,962 2,222 2,185	70,947 67,157 71,589 69,365	63 141 164 150	111 157 175 170	927 1,069 1,051	27,801 28,038 27,934	45 21 11 252	8,801 9,022 9,174 9,347
New York City: ² 1941—Dec. 31 1945—Dec. 31 1946—Dec. 31 1947—Dec. 31 1948—Dec. 31 1949—June 30 Dec. 31.8 1950—Apr. 24	5,105 4,015 4,046 4,639 5,643 4,726 4,462 4,297	93 111 131 151 117 130 112 131	141 78 87 70 67 56 68 33	15,773	3,535 3,031 3,236 2,904 2,680 2,996	607 1,105 1,195 1,217 1,278 1,150 1,084 1,112	866 6,940 651 267 445 562 640 518	237 218 290 241 254 196	450 1,338 942 1,105 750 1,201 895 625	15,712 17,216 17,646 16,695 15,986 16,408	6 17 20 12 31 90 113	10 15 12 14 25 38 35	39 14 20 33	778 1,206 1,395 1,418 1,646 1,637 1,590 1,535	195 30 25	1,648 2,120 2,205 2,259 2,306 2,340 2,312 2,330
Chicago: 2 1941—Dec. 31 1945—Dec. 31 1946—Dec. 31 1947—Dec. 31 1948—Dec. 31 1949—June 30 Dec. 31 1950—Apr. 24	1,021 942 928 1,070 1,325 1,174 1,183	43 36 29 30 28 25 27 29	298 200 172 175 143 149 159	2,215 3,153 3,356 3,737 3,604 3,470 3,797 3,601	1,027 1,292 1,130 1,196	8 20 24 21 26 46 40 42	127 1,552 152 72 188 197	233 237 228 285 284 307 286	34 66 47 63 53 41 60	2,152 3,160 3,495 3,853 3,702 3,475 3,932		l	4 9 11 12	476 719 823 902 989 1,044 1,069		288 377 404 426 444 462 470 470
Reserve city banks: 1941—Dec. 31 1945—Dec. 31 1946—Dec. 31 1947—Dec. 31 1948—Dec. 31 1949—June 30 Dec. 31* 1950—Apr. 24	4,060 6,326 6,337 7,095 7,701 6,781 6,413	425 494 532 562 483 500 482 520	1,965	22,372 24,221 25,714 25,072 24,271 25,744	6,307 5,417 5,497 5,213 4,460 5,498	54 110 127 131 168 166 176 180	8,221 991 405 801 701 1,142	2,077 2,282 2,401 2,413 2,478	693 705 649 518 650	22,281 24,288 26,003 25,302 23,928 25,912	104 30 25 22 19 39 38 38	38 43 45 46 62 60	160 235 332 547 642 617	9,563 10,580 11,045 10,798 10,923 10,987	2 4 1 8 1	3,005 3,087
Country banks: 1941—Dec. 31. 1945—Dec. 31. 1946—Dec. 31. 1947—Dec. 31. 1948—Dec. 31. 1949—June 30. Dec. 31. 1950—Apr. 24.	4,703 4,993 5,736 5,127 4,371	796 883 929 858 913 901	4,665 3,753 3,900 3,619 3,117 4,002	23,595 26,237 27,424 27,703 26,402 27,935	1,067 1,049 943 762	2 8 8 7 8 9 8	877 432 688 520	2,004 2,391 2,647 2,925 3,009 3,058	435 524 528 510 462 579	21,797 24,128 25,203 25,248 23,767 25,337	17 13 12	52 55 45 49 67 73	219 272 337 350 383 400	12,224 13,727 14,177 14,369 14,433 14,289	12 21 11	2,934 3,123 3,215 3,305
Insured non- member com- mercial banks: 1941—Dec. 31 1945—Dec. 31 1946—Dec. 31 1948—Dec. 31 1949—June 30 Dec. 31		271 391 437 473 453 468 463	3,959 3,547 3,466 3,273 2,713	11,842 12,223 12,059	233 244 258 246 194	2 5 11 4 8 4 6	1,560 258 149 201 155	858 1,052 1,188 1,332 1,354	158 151 130	10,736 9,848	18 6 4 6 5	4 5 6 6	97 113 132 153 174	5,579 6,232 6,420 6,459 6,539	6 7 9 7 8 5 3	

Figures not entirely comparable with prior dates due to reclassification of 9 central reserve city banks in New York City as reserve city banks.
 Beginning June 30, 1942, excludes reciprocal bank balances, which on Dec. 31, 1942, aggregated 513 million dollars at all member banks and
 million at all insured commercial banks.
 Demand deposits other than interbank and U. S. Government, less cash items reported as in process of collection.
 For other footnotes see preceding page.

Back figures.—See Banking and Monetary Statistics, Tables 18-45, pp. 72-103 and 108-113.

WEEKLY REPORTING MEMBER BANKS—NEW YORK CITY AND OUTSIDE LOANS AND INVESTMENTS

[Monthly data are averages of Wednesday figures. In millions of dollars]

			ionthly c			ans 1	-					- donars		estment			
				Fe		hasing						77.					
	Total		Com- mer-	or ca	rrying	securi	ties						S. Gove	rnment	овидат	ions	
Date or month	loans and invest-	Total ¹	cial, indus- trial,	To bre		To o	thers	Real estate	Loans to	Other	Total			Cer- tifi-			Other secu-
	ments		and agri- cul- tural	U. S. Govt. ob- liga- tions	Other se- curi- ties	U.S. Govt. ob- liga- tions	Other se- curi- ties	loans	banks	loans		Total	Bills	cates of in- debt- ed- ness	Notes	Bonds ²	rities
Total— Leading Cities																	
1949—June	62,414	23,517	13,349	819	738	212	422	4,106	243	3,928	38,897	34,388	2,168	5,314	958	25,948	4,509
1950—April May June	66,611 66,735 67,531	24,985 24,957 25,261	13,624 13,376 13,497	643	1,004 1,098 1,266	140 139 138	491	4,494 4,559 4,651	330 319 309	4,716	41,778	35,989 36,176 36,565	1,924	4,372	5,745	24,046 24,135 24,352	5,602
1950—May 3 May 10 May 17 May 24 May 31	66,401 66,689 66,951	25,009 24,918 24,844 24,984 25,033	13,365 13,377 13.359	714 547	1,098 1,073 1,101 1,116 1,101	137 140	475 488 523	4,522 4,541 4,563 4,576 4,595	364	4,674	41,483	35,916 35,899 36,251 36,359 36,456	1,744	4,307 4,316 4,417 4,402 4,420	5,756 5,731 5,744	24,080 24,083 24,131 24,188 24,193	5,584 5,594 5,608
June 7 June 14 June 21 June 28			13,394 13,459 13,532 13,602		1,190 1,207 1,317 1,349	139 133 137 144	504 505	4,612 4,644 4,664 4,682	297 250 284 405			36,183 36,505 36,935 36,638	1 1	3,173 3,220 2,916	6,765	24,251 24,317 24,408 24,433	5,689
July 5 July 12 July 19 July 26	67,652 67,586 67,875 68,028	25,733 25,469 25,695 26,352	13,660 13,725 13,791 13,911	614	1,267 1,091 1,040 1,064	144 146 150 164	498 491	4,712 4,755 4,776 4,794	254 240	4,932 4,948 4,982 5,060	41,919 42,117 42,180 41,676	36,152 36,248 36,222 35,727	2,405 2,522 2,496 2,025	2,264 2,231 2,217 2,200	7,040 7,033	24,447 24,455 24,476 24,483	5,869
New York City														1			
1949—June	18,469 19,143	7,393	4,745 4,732	760 6 3 8	592 799	61	168 184	.206 287	168 195		j	9,976		1,390 861	ŀ	7,634	1,100
May June	19,061 19,411	7,686	4,612	579	885 1,016	21	209 214	306 327		981 1,010	11,375	9,891 9,906 10,170	445 677	899 582	1,489	7,073	1,469 1,494
1950—May 3 May 10 May 17 May 24 May 31	19,090 18,888 18,934 19,207 19,184	7,704 7,603 7,718	4,599 4,591	642 649 496 490 619	890 881	19	200 196 205 238 204	301 308 312	205 228 315	969 981 997	11,184 11,331 11,489	9,810 9,729 9,874 10,024 10,094	351 425 508	850 844 916 931 957	1,490 1,472 1,487	7,044 7,061 7,098	1,495 1,455 1,457 1,465 1,471
June 7 June 14 June 21 June 28	19,147 19,280 19,502 19,716	7,670 7,695	4.637	468 396 285 332	966 972 1,036 1,089	15 19	219 214 212 213	326 331	244	l 1.010	111.610	9,987 10,122 10,303 10,269	620		1,729 1,752	7,142	1,485 1,488 1,504 1,500
July 5 July 12 July 19 July 26	19,286 19,316	7,692	4,760 4,772	494 387 556 851		28	204 201 197 203	355 357	226 155	1,014 1,017	11,594 11,550	9,967 9,971 9,892 9,546	720 767 724 393	316 322	1,656 1,643	7,232	1,521 1,623 1,658 1,648
Outside New York City																	
1949—June	l	11 1	li .	59	l	ļ	i	3,900	1		ł .	24,412	ŀ		1	18,314	i
May June		17,323 17,271 17,514		89 64 49		118	ł	4,207 4,253 4,324				26,098 26,270 26,395			4,307 4,256 5,016	16,981 17,062 17,171	4,047 4,133 4,211
1950—May 3 May 10 May 17 May 24 May 31	47,444 47,513 47,755 47,744 47,919	17,224 17,214 17,241 17,266 17,414	8,737 8,748 8,778 8,768 8,787	73 65 51 48 81	206 200 211 235 211	118 119 118		4,228 4,240 4,255 4,264 4,280		3,686 3,705 3,726 3,758 3,802	30,220 30,299 30,514 30,478 30,505	26,106 26,170 26,377 26,335 26,362	1,376 1,393 1,547 1,517 1,562	3,457 3,472 3,501 3,471 3,463	4,268 4,266 4,259 4,257 4,231	17,005 17,039 17,070 17,090 17,106	4,114 4,129 4,137 4,143 4,143
June 7 June 14 June 21 June 28	48,403 48,244	17,417 17,435 17,566 17,637	8,846 8,890	62 52 45 36	281	118 118	287 290 293 295	4,295 4,318 4,333 4,346	77 25 40 50	3,802 3,835 3,870 3,899	30,396 30,584 30,837 30,607	26,196 26,383 26,632 26,369	1,508 1,630 1,809 1,764	2,543 2,542 2,587 2,447	5,036 5,032	17,118 17,175 17,204 17,189	4,201
July 5 July 12 July 19 July 26	48,300	17,809 17,777 17,929 18,199	8,965 9,019	46 54 58 93	240 230	122 122	294	4,370 4,400 4,419 4,435	ri 85	3,934	30,523 $ 30,630 $	26,185 26,277 26,330 26,181	1,755	1,915	5,384 5,390	17,200 17,223 17,273 17,302	4,246 $ 4,300 $

¹ Figures for various loan items are shown gross (i. e., before deduction of valuation reserves); they do not add to the total, which is shown net.
² Including guaranteed obligations.

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[Monthly data are averages of Wednesday figures. In millions of dollars]

							deposits nterbank			e depos ot inter			terbar leposit				
Date or month	Re- serves with Fed- eral Re- serve Banks	Cash in vault	Bal- ances with do- mestic banks	De- mand de- posits ad- justed³	Indi- vid- uals, part- ner- ships, and cor-	States and polit- ical sub- divi- sions	Certi- fied and Offi- cers' checks, etc.	U. S. Gov- ern- ment	Indi- vid- uals, part- ner- ships, and cor-	States and polit- ical sub- divi- sions	U. S. Gov- ern- ment and Postal Sav-	Do- mes-	and For-	Time	Bor- row- ings	Cap- ital ac- counts	Bank deb- its ⁴
					pora- tions				pora- tions		ings	tic					
Total— Leading Cities																	
1949—June	13,378	771	2,122	46,383	46,264	3,475	1,309	877	14,541	665	106	8,311	1,323	118	290	6,117	94,386
1950—April May June	11,816	773 771 806	2,183	47,131	46,846 47,224 48,146	3,485	1,300 1,357 1,289	1,906	14,684 14,722 14,748	619 636 653	121 122 126	8,805	1,296 1,258 1,279	141 156 193	369 328 243		93,409 97,419 103,901
1950—May 3 May 10 May 17 May 24 May 31	11,733 11,891	787 768	2,151 2,348 2,120	46,881 $46,933$ $47,380$	46,672 46,780 47,525 47,286 47,856	3,409 3,400 3,443	1,265 1,395 1,237 1,524 1,363	1,697 2,121 2,061	14,717 14,711 14,713 14,732 14,738	633 637 636 637 636	122 121 120 123 122	8,576	1,253 1,259	139 140 139 180 183	364 300 235 323 417	6,304 6,305 6,305 6,313 6,326	21,265 22,836 22,528
June 7 June 14 June 21 June 28	12,139 12,021	781 831 792 818	2,391 2,344	47,942 48,040	47,448 49,010 48,201 47,925	3,462 3,614	1,205 1,276 1,365 1,312	1,854 2,238	14,740 14,746 14,739 14,768	655 652 654 652	122 122 124 132	8,935	1,271 1,279 1,285 1,283	188 193 196 197	256 192 213 309	6,337 6,324 6,406 6,422	22.850
July 5 July 12 July 19 July 26	12.088	854	2,458 2,198	47,547 47,728	47,647 48,615 48,552 48,912	3,351	1,466 1,275 1,325 1,415	2,319 2,340	14,749 14,712 14,679 14,627	650 648 650 638	134 137 136 134	9,467 8,961	1,246 1,235 1,237 1,229	198 198 205 204	338 142 345 529	6,446 6,453 6,436 6,459	22,693 24,248
New York City															!		
1949—June 1950—April	4,929 4,359	l			15,789 15,520	205 251	704 646	287 586	1,517	36 20			1,119 1,074	95 96	186 237	2,270 2,289	
May June	4,328 4,386	121	31	14,881 15,181	15,571	218 236	698 616	481 527	1,524	20 20	36	2,658	1,041 1,057	112 146	184 96	2,302	40,037
1950—May 3 May 10 May 17 May 24 May 31	4,323 4,278 4,337 4,268 4,436	117 125 118 123 124	28 38 30	14,902 14,744 14,742 15,024 14,993	15,352 15,554 15,701	321 191 175 186 218	586 762 570 868 703	430 431 541 520 487	1,519 1,508 1,533	19 20 19 20 19	35	2,641 2,746 2,590	1,033 1,034 1,043 1,041 1,052	96 96 96 134 139	236 184 93 132 274	2,299 2,300 2,300	9,219 9,067
June 7 June 14 June 21 June 28	4,365 4,450 4,462 4,268	125 131 121 133	30 33 39 35	15,055 15,115 15,349 15,203	15,624 16,006 15,919 15,901	193 205 304 242	556 583 677 646	412 487 570 639	1,544 1,538	20 20 19 19	37 37 37 37	2,792 $2,781$	1,053 1,055 1,062 1,059	145 149	124 86 8 168	2,303 2,297 2,298 2,294	9,396 9,285 9,721 10,196
July 5 July 12 July 19 July 26	4,458 4,317 4,305 4,581	127 136 122 126	31 33	14,954 14,848 14,997 15,181	15,656 15,698	238 255 238 251	719 584 603 719	628 618 618 586	1,523 1,512	19 19 18 20	37 37 37 37	2.890	1,029 1,017 1,016 1,007	1.50	238 54 143 364	2,308 2,308 2,308 2,308	9,239 9,048 9,450 9,635
Outside New York City																	
1949—June	8,449	652	2,084	31,243	30,475	3,270	605	590	13,024	629	87	5,651	204	23	104	3,847	53,769
1950—April May June	7,429 7,488 7,610	649 650 678	2,152	32,250	31,326 31,653 32,283	3,267	654 659 673	1.425	13,194 13,198 13,206	599 616 633	86 86 89	6,147	217	44	132 144 147	4,008	57,382
1950—May 3 May 10 May 17 May 24 May 31	7,453 7,455 7,554 7,576 7,384	614 662 650 664 659	2,123 2,310 2,090	32,137 32,191 32,356	31,232 31,428 31,971 31,585 32,046	3,218 3,225 3,257	679 633 667 656 660	1,266 1,580 1,541	13,205 13,192 13,205 13,199 13,189	614 617 617 617 617	87	6,361 5,986	219 216	44 43 46	128 116 142 191 143	4,006 4,005 4,013	12,046 13,769 13,294
June 7 June 14 June 21 June 28	7,575 7,689 7,559 7,616	671	2,358 2,305	$\begin{bmatrix} 32,827 \\ 32,691 \end{bmatrix}$	31,824 33,004 32,282 32,024	3,257 3,310	649 693 688 666	1,367 1,668	13,205 13,202 13,201 13,216	635 632 635 633	85 85 87 95	6,386 6,154	218 224 223 224	48 47	132 106 205 141	4,027 4,108	13,565 15,575
July 5 July 12 July 19 July 26	7,660 7,771 7,667 7,669	627 718 675 690	2,427 2,165	$32,699 \\ 32,731$	31,996 32,959 32,854 33,075	3,096 2,999	747 691 722 696	1,701 1,722	13,217 13,189 13,167 13,127	631 629 632 618	97 100 99 97		217 218 221 222	48 48 47 4 9	100 88 202 165	4,128	13,645 14,798

Demand deposits other than interbank and U. S. Government, less cash items reported as in process of collection.
 Monthly and weekly totals of debits to demand deposit accounts except interbank and U. S. Government accounts.
 Back figures.—For description of revision beginning July 3, 1946, see BULLETIN for June 1947, p. 692, and for back figures on the revised basis, see BULLETIN for July 1947, pp. 878-883; for old series, see Banking and Monetary Statistics, pp. 127-227.

WEEKLY REPORTING MEMBER BANKS—BY FEDERAL RESERVE DISTRICTS LOANS AND INVESTMENTS

[In millions of dollars]

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				or ca	or pure	chasin secur	g ities					U. 8	S. Gov	ernment	obligati	ions	
Federal Reserve district and date	Total loans and invest- ments	Total ¹	Com- mer- cial, indus- trial and	To br			thers	estate	Loans to banks	Other loans	Total	Total	Bills	Cer- tifi- cates of in-	Notes	Bonds ²	Other secu- rities
			agri- cul- tural	U. S. Govt. ob- liga- tions	Other se- curi- ties	U.S. Govt. ob- liga- tions	Other se- curi- ties					Total	Dins	debt- ed- ness		Bonds	
Boston June 28 July 5 July 12 July 19 July 26	3,065 3,036 3,054 3,054	1,130 1,134 1,133 1,147	684 689 688	5 6 6	13 12 11	12 12 12 12	18 18 17 16	170 172 173 176	2 9 1 14	243 243 246 247	1,902 1,921 1,907	1,665	53 73	92 68 67 61	254 243 245 233	1,303 1,299 1,314	235 237 242
July 26. New York* June 28. July 5. July 12. July 19. July 26.		1 1	5,028 5,039 5,083	504 397	1,094 1,024 859	26 27 28 32	230 221 218	585 595 612	231 226	1,236 1,243 1,236	13,371 13,097 13,118	1,665 11,635 11,338 11,257	1,013 850 820	526 374 363	1,869 1,845	8,231 8,245 8,229	1,759
Fnnaueivnia		(* 1	5,150	570 865	830	46	214 220	615 618	146	1,254		10,835	777 445 92	368 388	1,812	8,190	1,890
June 28. July 5. July 12. July 19. July 26. Cleveland	2,810	1,008	521	1 1 1 2 2	39 37 35 34 32	3 3 3 2	8 8 7 7	116 117 120 122 122	19 4 8 15	335 334 333 335 338	1,798 1,808 1,795	1,464 1,434 1,448 1,440 1,428	78 87 89 80	147 107 110 105 100	232 251 252 251 248	993 998 999 995 1,000	368 364 360 355 354
June 28. July 5. July 12. July 19. July 26. Richmond	4,716 4,735 4,746	1,521 1,509 1,520	809 803 805 809 815	8 8 9 10	33 34 31 31 41	19 19 19 19 20	55 55 56 55 54	315 317 318 319 321	1 15 1 5 26	290 292 293 295 303	3,195 3,226	2,799 2,829 2,827	153 157 189 189 186	156 136 129 129 122	491 507 511 509 523	2,000 2,000	396 396 397 399 399
June 28. July 5. July 12. July 19. July 26.	2,695 2,718	956 955 961 964 971	424 421 425 428 431	1 1 1 1	10 10 10 6 6	12 12 12 11	20 19 19 18 18	230 231 232 234 234	3 3 3 3 5	268 270 271 275 277	1,739 1,740 1,757 1,761 1,765	1,583 1,583 1,600 1,603 1,607	84 85 97 100 105	114 84 83 79 71	282 311 314 319 326		156 157 157 158 158
Atlanta June 28 July 5 July 12 July 19 July 26	2,421 2,446 2,459 2,471 2,472	926 935 924 931 949	522 531 523 523 523 531		13 14 13 14 13	15 11 12 12 14	23 23 23 23 23	82 84 86 86 88	7 7 5 10 11	278 279 276 277 283	1,495 1,511 1,535 1,540 1,523	1,297 1,320	56 77 90, 88 -78	175 136 139 138 129	295 330 329 335 341	757 754 762 763 756	212 214 215 216 219
Chicago* June 28 July 5 July 12 July 19 July 26		2,659 2,692 2,669 2,732 2,829	1,609 1,625 1,641 1,661 1,691	7 15 9 22 48	96 90 84 82 83	22 23 23 23 23	57 58 58 57 60	386 388 390 392 394	22 34 2 33 55	502 502 505 505 518	6,971 6,944 6,893 6,941 6,903	6,092 6,064 6,016 6,040 6,001	607 587 548 541 508	580 473 447 455 456	1,162 1,259 1,264 1,263 1,248	3,743 3,745 3,757 3,781 3,789	879 880 877 901 902
June 28 July 5 July 12 July 19 July 26	2 204	936 950 942 954 966	470 473 472 477 482	2 2 1 1 2	6 5 6 5 5	9 10 10 10 10	14 14 14 14 14	207 207 212 213 215	3 14 1 5 7	237 237 238 241 243	1,268 1,259 1,299 1,282 1,265	1,079 1,070 1,111 1,093 1,076	66 69 97 81 70	103 79 86 78 67	233 248 248 254 254	677 674 680 680 684	189 189 188 189 189
June 28. July 5. July 12. July 19. July 19.	4 027	474 483 484 487 495	225 224 232 234 233		3 3 3 3	3 3 3 3 3	5 5 4 5	85 86 87 87 88	9 6	159 160 161 162 164	763 767 767 752 758	629 635 634 619 627	20 19 22 6 5	52 45 42 35 35	131 145 146 145 150	426 426 424 433 437	134 132 133 133 131
June 28. July 5. July 12. July 19. July 26. July	2,610 2,602 2,645	953 967 966 979 996	592 596 608		5 7 7 6 6	4 4 4 4 4	12 12 12 12 12 12	150 151 154 155 155	10 10 1 1 8	199 198 199 200 201	1,657 1,635 1,679 1,706 1,696	1,403 1,382 1,425 1,452 1,440	186 168 206 229 207	173 132 131 130 133	268 309 314 317 322	776 773 774 776 778	254 253 254 254 256
Dallas	2,592	1,217	840 822 830		7 7 6 7 7	10 11 11 11 9	42 43 43 46 47	101 102 103		227 230 232 234 239		1,184 1,185 1,197 1,229	115 115 121 140 128	154 115 115 121 121	255 287 287 294 294	660 668 674 674 674	138 140 140 146 142
June 28. July 5. July 12. July 19. July 26.	11,866 11,934 11,968	5.154	1,912 1,916 1,916	3 3 18 3 5	24 23 25 23 23	9 9 9 10 10	25 25	2,255 2,263 2,269 2,274 2,280	2 15 10 6 12	938 944 958 970 983	6,821 6,746 6,777 6,814 6,765	5,727	187 147 172 199 152	644 515 519 518 513	1,180 1,277 1,285 1,282 1,259	3.761 3,759 3,751 3,749 3,772	1,048 1,050 1,066
City of Chicago* June 28 July 5 July 12 July 19 July 26	5,794 5,856	1,664 1,682 1,679 1,715 1,771	1,219 $1,228$	7 14 8 22 48	86 81 75 72 72	17 17 18 18 18	50 50 50 49 52	84 84 84 84 85	4 8 1 14 5	248 248 251 255 263	4,196 4,139 4,115 4,141 4,124	3,538 3,518 3,534	379 323 316 311 309	384 288 271 279 279	672 762 758 759 752	2,161 2,165 2,173 2,285 2,181	600 601 597 607 603

^{*} Separate figures for New York City are shown in the immediately preceding table and for the City of Chicago in this table. The figures for the New York and Chicago Districts, as shown in this table, include New York City and Chicago, respectively. For other footnotes see preceding table.

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FEDERAL RESERVE BULLETIN

WEEKLY REPORTING MEMBER BANKS—BY FEDERAL RESERVE DISTRICTS—Continued RESERVES AND LIABILITIES

[In millions of dollars]

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Federal Reserve district and date	Re- serves with Fed- eral Re- serve Banks	Cash in vault	Bal- ances with do- mestic banks	De- mand de- posits ad- justed ³	Individ- uals, part- ner- ships, and cor- pora- tions	States and polit- ical sub- divi- sions	Certified and Officers' checks, etc.	U.S. Gov- ern- ment	Individuals, partner-ships and corporations	States and polit- ical sub- divi- sions	U. S. Gov- ern- ment and Postal Sav- ings	Dem Do- mes- tic	and For- eign	Time	Bor- row- ings	Cap- ital ac- counts	Bank deb- its ⁴
Boston June 28. July 5. July 12. July 19. July 19. July 26. New York*	463 476 450 467 459	55 55 61 57 60	89 88 103 94 84	2,430 2,431 2,448	2,383 2,408	209 194 196 198 198	41 54 36 42 52	117 108 107 107 100	476 479 478 485 485		6 6 6 6 5	276 275 288 271 264	33 32 35 35 36		18 16 10 6 2	329 329 330 330 330	907 812 909 928 852
July 5. July 12. July 19. July 26. Philadelphia	4,532 4,710 4,602 4,552 4,837	182 175 190 173 176	117 124 123	16,801 16,543 16,404 16,547 16,738	17,022 17,069 17,103	562 544 501 451 482	695 774 630 659 767	720 703 693 693 658	2,401 2,391 2,379 2,365 2,350	26 27 26 25 27	46	2,919 2,968 2,732	1,033	151 152 152 160 157	181 244 67 144 373	2,511 2,512 2,510	10,961 9,798 9,816 10,175 10,181
July 5. July 12. July 19. July 26. Cleveland	457 482 463 462 460	45 41 47 44 45	107 101 122 105 97	2,129 2,148	2,229 2,215	122 99 115 108 102	25 29 32 33 29	151 149 144 148 138	418 418 418 418 417	38 37 39 40 40	2 2 2	362 390 384 379 350	12 13 12 11 11	1 1 1 1	14 8 5 5	317 318 318 318 318 318	892 1,039 852 911 822
June 28	742 733 731 738 753	80 70 84 80 83	156 152	3,223	3,201 3,286	204 207 210 213 226	57 56 57 66 63	171	1,327 1,327 1,324 1,321 1,318	43 43 42 42 42	3 3 3 3 3	438 467 476 465 438	8 7 7 7	2 2 2 2 2 2	25 23 38 26 13	491 491 491 491 492	1,338 1,182 1,235 1,413 1,300
June 28. July 5. July 12. July 19. July 26. Attanta	433 436 447 449 447	68 62 72 66 69	161 185 155	2,058 2,114 2,103	2,100 2,165 2,140	161 155 149 151 161	42 41 41 46 45	89	571 570 570 569 568	25 25	20 20 20	332 379 391 369 345	4 4 5 6	2 2 2 2 2 2	7 8 4 7 10	235 234 236 236 236	785 760 836 915 822
June 28. July 5. July 12. July 19. July 26. Chicago*	389 404 399 404 385	42 37 45 41 44	165 199 209 168 168	1,814 1,811	1,698 1,758 1,750	294 286 278 271 279	25 26 25 27 30	60 61 62	533 533 532 530 528	6 5	5 5 5	436 496 506 467 443		2 2	1 2 14 5	202 202 203 194 202	698 673 753 817 734
June 28. July 5. July 12. July 19. July 26. St. Louis	1,765 1,792 1,859 1,795 1,820	109 103 114 107 103	313 330 379 309 339	6,375 6,410	6,280 6,489 6,402	657 647 608 591 623	105 111 113 118 109	484 531 515 526 494	2,617 2,614 2,608 2,603 2,599	30 30 30 31 31	17 17	1,468	48 44 42 44 45		13 19 2 83 62	754 756 756 752 753	3,127 3,111 3,033 3,152 3,193
June 28. July 5. July 12. July 19. July 26. Minneapolis	361 359 356 374 362	31 29 32 30 31		1,449	1,511 1,568 1,563	103 101 96 96 95	19 20 20 21 20	65 65	478 478 477 476 475	14 14 14	3 3	523 554 578 555 526	2 2 2 2 2 2		6 8 7	186 186 187 187 187	594 584 629 716 646
June 28. July 5. July 12. July 19. July 26. Kansas City	193 197 196 203 193	14 12 14 13 14	85 79	837	778 777 810 805 814	148 147	15 17 15 14 14	55	248 248 247 247 246		1 1 1 1 1	270 288 295 276 271	3 3	3	11 10 2 25 20	105	361 377 387 445 398
June 28	471 482 494 476 477		295 309 290	1,920 1,940	1,890 1,974	244 232 228	33 31 28 29 28	82 80 80	392 392 392 391 390	1 1 2	3 3 3	831 875	1 1 1	1 1	2 4	216 216	754 830
June 28	464 434 479 443 446		374 370	2,021 2,068 2,064	2,002 2,080	180	38 37 37 47 46	70 68 67	365 367 366 365 363	86 85 84	5 6 6	644 642 637	7 7 8			224 223 223 224 225	
June 28	1,614 1,613 1,612 1,609 1,611	120 108 124 119 121	275 282	6,748 6,779 6,827 6,858	6,562 6,779 6,796 6,769	674 609	217 270 241 223 212	272 266 273 272 259	4,942 4,932 4,921 4,909 4,888	381 381 382 381	25 25 24	474 515 491 456	92 91 90	33 33 33	10 14 21	873 884	2,539 2,701 2,851 2,649
June 28 July 5 July 12 July 19 July 26	1,188 1,223 1,239 1,220	38 39 40 36 36	135	3,959 3,961	3,987 4,091 4,056	344 323 308 299 301	45 60 52 54 53	209 211	1,383 1,380 1,375 1,372 1,371	25 25 25 25 25 25	4 4	1,089 1,140 1,066	37		7 18 2 83 58	510	1,938 1,940 1,885 1,819 1,934

For footnotes see opposite page and preceding table.

NUMBER OF BANKING OFFICES ON FEDERAL RESERVE PAR LIST AND NOT ON PAR LIST, BY FEDERAL RESERVE DISTRICTS AND STATES

	Total b	anks on	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		On p	ar list				
Federal Reserve	drawn. a	necks are and their and offices 1	To	otal	Mei	mber	Nonn	nember		par list ember)
district or State	Banks	Branches and offices ²	Banks	Branches and offices	Banks	Branches and offices	Banks	Branches and offices	Banks	Branches and offices
United States total: Dec. 31, 1946 Dec. 31, 1947 Dec. 31, 1948 Dec. 31, 1949 June 30, 1950*	14,043 14,078 14,072 14,051 14,039	3,981 4,148 4,333 4,562 4,671	11,957 12,037 12,061 12,178 12,178	3,654 3,823 4,015 4,289 4,391	6,894 6,917 6,912 6,887 6,880	2,913 3,051 3,197 3,387 3,476	5,063 5,120 5,149 5,291 5,298	741 772 818 902 915	2,086 2,041 2,011 1,873 1,861	327 325 318 273 280
By districts and by States June 30, 1950?										
District Boston New York. Philadelphia Cleveland. Richmond. Atlanta Chicago St. Louis Minneapolis Kansas City Dallas San Francisco.	485 889 836 1,119 1,012 1,191 2,487 1,471 1,278 1,7755 1,023 493	322 911 156 302 519 212 607 139 111 11 50	485 889 836 1,119 805 588 2,487 1,134 679 1,746 917 493	322 911 156 302 386 173 607 81 70 11 41	330 765 640 696 478 351 1,001 496 478 755 626 264	251 842 120 260 249 150 250 43 27 7 26 1,251	155 124 196 423 327 237 1,486 638 201 991 291	71 69 36 42 137 23 357 38 43 4 15 80	207 603 337 599 9	133 39 58 41
State AlabamaArizona Arkansas California Colorado	225 9 232 193 147	25 52 18 962 2	129 9 109 193 147	25 52 5 962 2	92 5 68 118 92	25 39 1 916 2	37 4 41 75 55	13 4 46	96	13
Connecticut	110 38 19 188 397	39 17 43 4 41	110 38 19 127 110	39 17 43 4 37	64 17 15 74 66	34 7 34 4 34	46 21 4 53	5 10 9	61 287	4
Idaho Illinois. Indiana Iowa. Kansas.	43 887 487 661 610	53 2 104 164	43 885 487 661 608	53 2 104 164	24 505 236 161 215	48 2 48	19 380 251 500 393	5 56 164	2	
Kentucky Louisiana Maine Maryland Massachusetts	383 162 63 164 178	41 75 69 119 170	383 59 63 164 178	41 52 69 119 170	112 46 38 77 142	25 45 37 79 154	271 13 25 87 36	16 7 32 40 16	103	
MichiganMinnesotaMississippiMissouriMontana	439 680 201 594 111	235 6 67	439 266 40 528 111	235 6 14	231 207 31 180 84	180 6 7	208 59 9 348 27	55	414 161 66	53
Nebraska Nevada New Hampshire New Jersey New Mexico	411 8 75 326 51	19 2 156 12	411 8 75 326 51	2 19 2 156 12	141 6 52 281 35	2 18 1 141 2	270 2 23 45 16	1 1 15 10		
New York North Carolina North Dakota. Ohio Oklahoma	636 209 150 658 384	766 202 22 222 1	636 96 63 658 376	766 75 6 222 1	555 54 43 423 224	711 43 193 1	81 42 20 235 152	55 32 6 29	113 87 8	127 16
Oregon	69 969 17 151 169	98 187 45 44 49	69 969 17 63 71	98 187 45 38 24	29 739 10 32 62	87 160 32 32 21	40 230 7 31 9	11 27 13 6 3	88 98	6 25
Tennessee	294 901 55 69 314	94 6 24 11 111	203 846 55 69 309	81 6 24 11 111	82 574 31 40 204	62 6 22 2 61	121 272 24 29 105	19 2 9 50	91 55	13
Washington West Virginia Wisconsin Wyoming	118 180 551 53	139	118 179 551 53	139 151	52 108 164 39	131	66 71 387 14	130	i	

Preliminary. ¹ Excludes mutual savings banks, on a few of which some checks are drawn.
 ² Branches and other additional offices at which deposits are received, checks paid, or money lent, including "banking facilities" at military reservations and other Government establishments (see Bulletin for February 1950, p. 244, footnotes 9 and 10).
 Back figures.—See Banking and Monetary Statistics, Table 15, pp. 54-55, and Annual Reports.

COMMERCIAL PAPER AND BANKERS' ACCEPTANCES OUTSTANDING

[In millions of dollars]

End of month	Commer- cial paper out- standing ¹	Dollar acceptances outstanding										
		Total		Helo	i by		Based on					
			Accepting banks			Imports	Exports		Goods stored in or shipped between			
		standing	Total Own bills	Bills	Others	into United	from United	Dollar ex- change	poin	its in		
					bought		States	States		United States	Foreign countries	
1949—May June July August September October November December December Pebruary March	211 230 265 278 278 257 258 257 258	195 198 194 189 207 215 251 272 280 256 245	84 87 90 85 94 104 118 128 134 120	58 54 57 53 54 57 60 58 67 69 63	27 33 33 32 40 47 58 70 68 51 37	110 111 104 104 113 110 133 144 146 136	118 121 117 117 133 140 173 184 190 175 165	44 47 44 37 37 39 44 49	2 (2) (2) (2) (2) (2) (2)	17 17 19 18 21 23 25 30 32 25 25	12 13 13 16 14 12 9 9 9 11 12 15 17	
April. May June	257 250	237 231 279	93 93 126	62 59 82	31 34 44	144 138 154	157 142 170	47 58 66	(2) (2) (2) (2) (2)	18 15 21	15 17 21	

¹ As reported by dealers; includes some finance company paper sold in open market.

CUSTOMERS' DEBIT BALANCES, MONEY BORROWED, AND PRINCIPAL RELATED ITEMS OF STOCK EXCHANGE FIRMS CARRYING MARGIN ACCOUNTS

[Member firms of New York Stock Exchange. Ledger balances in millions of dollars]

		Debit l	oalances		Credit balances						
End of month	Customers'	Debit balances in	Debit balances in	Cash on			omers' palances 1	Other credit balances			
	debit balances (net) ¹	debit partners' firm hand balances investment investment and in		Money borrowed ²	Free	Other (net)	In partners' investment and trading accounts	In firm investment and trading accounts	In capital accounts (net)		
1941—June December 1942—June December 1943—June December 1944—June December 1945—June December 1946—June December 1947—June December 1948—June December	616 600 496 543 761 789 887 1,041 1,223 1,138 809 540 552 578 619 550	11 8 9 7 9 11 5 7 11 12 7 5 6 7 7	89 86 86 154 190 188 253 260 333 413 399 312 333 315 326 312	186 211 180 160 167 181 196 209 220 313 370 456 395 393 332 349	395 368 309 378 529 557 619 726 853 795 498 218 223 240 283 257	255 289 240 270 334 354 472 549 651 691 650 612 576 586	65 63 56 54 66 65 95 96 121 112 120 120 145 145	17 17 16 15 15 14 15 18 14 29 24 30 24 23 20 28	7 5 4 4 7 7 5 11 8 8 13 13 17 10 9 15 11 15	222 213 189 182 212 198 216 227 264 299 314 290 271 273 291 278	
1949—July	* 690 * 699 * 740 * 783 * 813 881	5	400	306	* 399 * 404 * 418 * 416 * 445 523	\$ 530 \$ 548 \$ 580 \$ 586 \$ 596 633	159	26	15	271	
1950—January February March April May June	\$ 901 \$ 953 \$ 1,018 \$ 1,084 \$ 1,175 1,256	12	386	314	* 493 * 522 * 579 * 619 * 750 827	\$ 669 \$ 669 \$ 666 \$ 678 \$ 657 673	166	25	11	312	

¹ Excluding balances with reporting firms (1) of member firms of New York Stock Exchange and other national securities exchanges and (2)

² Less than \$500,000.

Back figures.—See Banking and Monetary Statistics, Table 127, pp. 465-467; for description, see p. 427.

¹ Excluding balances with reporting firms (1) of member firms of New York Stock Exchange 1. Includes money borrowed from banks and also from other lenders (not including member firms of national securities exchanges).

3 As reported to the New York Stock Exchange. According to these reports, the part of total customers' debit balances represented by balances secured by U. S. Government securities was (in millions of dollars): April, 51; May, 64.

NOTE.—For explanation of these figures see "Statistics on Margin Accounts" in BULLETIN for September 1936. The article describes the method by which the figures are derived and reported, distinguishes the table from a "statement of financial condition," and explains that the last column is not to be taken as representing the actual net capital of the reporting firms.

Back figures.—See Banking and Monetary Statistics, Table 143, pp. 501-502, for monthly figures prior to 1942, and Table 144, p. 503, for data in detail at semiannual dates prior to 1942.

OPEN-MARKET MONEY RATES IN NEW YORK [Per cent per annum]

	Prime	Prime	Stock ex-	U. S. Government security yields				
Year, month, or week	com- mercial paper, 4- to 6- months ¹	bank- ers' accept- ances, 90 days ¹	change call loan re- new- als *	3- month bills ³	9- to 12- month certifi- cates of in- debted- ness 4	3- to 5- year taxable issues		
1947 average	1.03	.87	1.38	.604	.88	1.32		
1948 average	1.44	1.11	1.55	1.043	1.14	1,62		
1949 average	1.48	1.12	1.63	1.104	1.14	1,43		
1949—July August September. October November. December. 1950—January February. March April May. June July	1.56 1.44 1.38 1.38 1.31 1.31 1.31 1.31 1.31 1.31	1.06 1.06 1.06 1.06 1.06 1.06 1.06 1.06	1.63 1.63 1.63 1.63 1.63 1.63 1.63 1.63	.990 1.027 1.062 1.044 1.073 1.097 1.100 1.130 1.140 1.164 1.167 1.175	1.04 1.07 1.08 1.09 1.09 1.10 1.12 1.15 1.16 1.17 1.18 1.23	1.26 1.26 1.34 1.38 1.37 1.37 1.44 1.45 1.45 1.45 1.45		
July 8 July 15 July 22	114-136 114-136 114-136 114-136 114-136	1 ¹ /16 1 ¹ /16 1 ¹ /16	11/2-13/4 11/2-13/4 11/2-13/4 11/2-13/4	1.168 1.173	1.23 1.23 1.22 1.23 1.23	1.49 1.48 1.45 1.45 1.44		

Back figures.—See Banking and Monetary Statistics, Tables 120-121, pp. 448-459, and BULLETIN for May 1945, pp. 483-490, and October 1947, pp. 1251-1253.

BANK RATES ON BUSINESS LOANS AVERAGE OF RATES CHARGED ON SHORT-TERM LOANS TO BUSINESSES BY BANKS IN SELECTED CITIES

	[Per ce	nt per an	num]		<u> </u>					
		Size of loan								
Area and period	All	\$1,000-	\$10,000-	\$100,000-	\$200,000					
	loans	\$10,000	\$100,000	\$200,000	and over					
Annual averages: 19 cities: 1940	2.1 2.0 2.2 2.4 2.2 2.1 2.5 2.7	4.3 4.3 4.4 4.3 4.3 4.2 4.2 4.4	3.0 3.0 3.2 3.4 3.3 3.2 3.1 3.5 3.7	2.0 1.9 2.2 2.5 2.6 2.3 2.2 2.5 2.8 3.0	1.8 1.8 2.0 2.4 2.2 2.0 1.7 1.8 2.2					
Quarterly: 19 cities: 1949—Sept Dec 1950—Mar June	2.63	4.62	3.64	2.98	2.31					
	2.65	4.53	3.61	2.98	2.35					
	2.60	4.45	3.54	2.94	2.31					
	2.68	4.50	3.65	2.94	2.39					
New York City: 1949—Sept Dec 1950—Mar June	2.32	4.23	3.41	2.74	2.13					
	2.38	4.14	3.35	2.73	2.21					
	2.29	3.85	3.22	2.64	2.13					
	2.34	3.94	3.35	2.73	2.16					
7 Northern and Eastern cities: 1949—Sept Dec 1950—Mar June	2.64	4.71	3.63	2.93	2.39					
	2.67	4.63	3.65	3.00	2.41					
	2.55	4.64	3.60	2.91	2.28					
	2.67	4.58	3.62	2.82	2.45					
11 Southern and Western cities: 1949—Sept Dec 1950—Mar June	3.07	4.74	3.79	3.18	2.58					
	3.03	4.66	3.74	3.12	2.56					
	3.12	4.64	3.71	3.15	2.74					
	3.22	4.70	3.83	3.17	2.82					

NOTE.—For description of series see BULLETIN for March 1949,

BOND YIELDS 1

[Per cent per annum]

Year, month, or week	U. S. Government (taxable)				Corporate (Moody's)4							
	· · ·	15	Munic- ipal (high-	Corpo- rate (high-	Total	By ratings				By groups		
	7 to 9 years	years or more	grade)2	grade)*		Aaa	Aa	A	Baa	Indus- trial	Rail- road	Public utility
Number of issues	1-5	1-8	15	9	120	30	30	30	30	40	40	40
1947 average	1.59 2.00 1.71	2.25 2.44 2.31	2.01 2.40 2.21	2.57 2.81 2.65	2.86 3.08 2.96	2.61 2.82 2.66	2.70 2.90 2.75	2.87 3.12 3.00	3.24 3.47 3.42	2.67 2.87 2.74	3.11 3.34 3.24	2.78 3.03 2.90
1949—July	1.55 1.49 1.65 1.72 1.70 1.68	2.27 2.24 2.22 2.22 2.20 2.19	2.26 2.20 2.22 2.21 2.17 2.13	2.66 2.60 2.59 2.59 2.56 2.55	2.98 2.92 2.90 2.90 2.89 2.86	2.67 2.62 2.60 2.61 2.60 2.58	2.75 2.71 2.69 2.70 2.68 2.67	3.03 2.96 2.95 2.94 2.93 2.89	3.46 3.40 3.37 3.36 3.35 3.31	2.75 2.70 2.68 2.68 2.67 2.65	3.29 3.21 3.19 3.20 3.20 3.14	2.89 2.86 2.84 2.83 2.81 2.79
1950—January	1.70 1.75 1.78 1.80 1.80 1.83 1.83	2.20 2.24 2.27 2.30 2.31 2.33 2.34	2.08 2.06 2.07 2.08 2.07 2.09 2.09	2.54 2.54 2.55 2.57 2.57 2.59 2.61	2.83 2.83 2.84 2.84 2.86 2.87 2.90	2.57 2.58 2.58 2.60 2.61 2.62 2.65	2.65 2.65 2.66 2.66 2.69 2.69 2.72	2.85 2.86 2.86 2.86 2.88 2.90 2.92	3.24 3.24 3.24 3.23 3.25 3.28 3.32	2.63 2.63 2.64 2.64 2.65 2.66 2.69	3.07 3.08 3.08 3.08 3.12 3.15 3.19	2.79 2.78 2.78 2.79 2.81 2.81 2.83
Week ending: July 1	1.83	2.34 2.34 2.34 2.34 2.34	2.12 2.12 2.12 2.12 2.12 2.00	2.60 2.61 2.62 2.62 2.60	2.89 2.91 2.91 2.91 2.89	2.63 2.65 2.66 2.66 2.65	2.70 2.72 2.73 2.73 2.71	2.90 2.92 2.92 2.93 2.91	3.32 3.33 3.33 3.33 3.28	2.67 2.68 2.68 2.70 2.70	3.18 3.21 3.22 3.21 3.14	2.82 2.83 2.84 2.84 2.83

Back figures.—See Banking and Monetary Statistics, Tables 128-129, pp. 468-474, and BULLETIN for May 1945, pp. 483-490, and October 1947, pp. 1251-1253.

¹ Monthly figures are averages of weekly prevailing rates.

² The average rate on 90-day Stock Exchange time loans was 1.50 per cent, Aug. 2, 1946-Aug. 16, 1948; and 1.63 per cent beginning Aug. 17, 1948.

³ Rate on new issues offered within period.

⁴ Beginning June 1, 1950, series includes 9- to 12-month notes.

Monthly and weekly data are averages of daily figures, except for municipal bonds, which are based on Wednesday figures.
 Standard and Poor's Corporation.
 Treasury Department.
 Moody's Investors Service, week ending Friday. Because of a limited number of suitable issues, the industrial Aaa and Aa groups have been reduced from 10 to 6 and 7 issues, respectively, and the railroad Aaa and Aa groups from 10 to 5 issues.

SECURITY MARKETS 1

			В	ond price	es				Ste	ock price	3 5		
				C	orporate	4			Commo	n (index	, 1935–39	9==100)	Volume of trad-
Year, month, or week	U. S. Gov- ern-	Munic- ipal (high-	High-		Mediun	n-grade		Pre- ferred ⁶		T	Rail-	Public	ing ⁷ (in thou- sands of
	ment 2	grade)³	grade	Total	Indus- trial	Rail- road	Public utility		Total	Indus- trial	road	utility	shares)
Number of issues	1-8	15	12	14	5	5	4	15	416	365	20	31	
1947 average		125.3	103.2 98.7 101.9	97.5 92.1 92.6	102.6 96.3 98.6	88.2 85.4 82.3	102.8 95.2 97.0	184.7 168.7 176.4	123 124 121	128 131 128	105 115 97	103 96 98	953 1,144 1,037
1949—July	103.86 103.90	129.1 128.6 128.8 129.6	102.0 103.0 103.1 102.8 103.2 103.7	91.8 92.6 93.3 93.7 93.5 94.5	98.6 98.2 99.0 99.9 100.3 101.0	79.9 81.9 82.1 82.0 80.8 82.2	96.9 97.7 98.8 99.2 99.5 100.1	176.6 179.5 182.1 180.3 179.8 180.6	118 122 124 127 129 133	124 128 130 134 137 140	91 94 95 98 96 101	95 99 100 101 103 104	938 947 1,135 1,313 1,323 1,739
1950—January. February. March. April. May. June. July.	103.24 102.87 102.73 102.42	131.7 131.5 131.3 131.5 131.5			101.8 102.0 102.3 (8)			182.8 182.4 183.8 183.5 183.1 182.0 178.5	135 137 139 142 147 148 138	143 144 147 150 156 158 147	108 107 109 110 110 107 110	106 107 110 111 113 112 103	1,884 1,704 1,643 2,297 1,763 2,075 2,227
Week ending: July 1. July 8. July 15. July 22. July 29.	102.24 102.21 102.23	130.5 130.5 130.5						180.7 178.1 178.1 178.5 179.4	143 141 134 139 139	153 150 143 148 148	104 103 105 111 120	108 106 101 103 101	3,420 1,594 2,592 2,349 2,375

¹ Monthly and weekly data are averages of daily figures, except for municipal bonds and for stocks, which are based on Wednesday figures.

2 Average of taxable bonds due or callable in 15 years or more.

3 Prices derived from average yields, as computed by Standard and Poor's Corporation, on basis of a 4 per cent 20-year bond.

4 Prices derived from average yields, as computed by Standard and Poor's Corporation.

5 Standard and Poor's Corporation.

6 Prices derived from averages of median yields on noncallable high-grade stocks on basis of a \$7 annual dividend.

7 Average daily volume of trading in stocks on the New York Stock Exchange.

8 Series discontinued beginning Apr. 1, 1950.

8 Rock figures.—See Banking and Monatons Statistics. Tables 130, 133, 134, and 135, and 136,
Back figures.—See Banking and Monetary Statistics, Tables 130, 133, 134, and 136, pp. 475, 479, 482, and 486, respectively, and Bulletin for May 1945, pp. 483-490, and October 1947, pp. 1251-1253.

NEW SECURITY ISSUES

[In millions of dollars]

<u></u>				1	For new	capital						For	refund	ing			
	Total (new	T-4-1			Dom	estic				Total			Dom	estic			
Year or month	and re- fund-	Total (do- mestic and		State and	Fed-	C	Corporat	e	For- eign ²	(do- mestic and		State	Fed-	C	Corporat	e	For- eign ²
	ing)	for- eign)	Total	mu- nici- pal	eral agen- cies ¹	Total	Bonds and notes	Stocks	eign-	for- eign)	Total	mu- nici- pal	eral agen- cies ¹	Total	Bonds and notes	Stocks	
1941	5,546 2,114 2,169 4,216 8,006 8,645 89,691 10,214 9,475	1,075 642 913 1,772 4,645 37,566 9,079	640 896 1,761 4,635 7,255 9,070	176 235 471 952 2,228 2,604	1,272 108 90 15 26 127 239 294 233	646 1,264 3,556 4,787 46,172	506 282 422 607 2,084 3,567 45,264	173 118 92 224 657 1,472 1,219 908 954	1 2 17 12 10 68 10 29	2,693 1,039 1,527 3,303 6,234 4,000 2,125 1,135 1,566	1,442 3,288 6,173 3,895 1,948 1,135	44 82	698 440 497 418 912 734 422 768 943	1,557 418 685 2,466 4,937 2,953 1,482 284 418	407 603 2,178 4,281 2,352 1,199 257	11 82 288 656 601 283 28	86 15 61 105 177
1949—June July August September October November December.	787	684 311	683 293 511 639 412	244 174 314 234 229	24 9 69	430 119	382 66 84 323 124	113 48 54 44 82 59 146	18 10	94 79 304 228 148 109 218	204 228 148 109	1 4 4 22	62 56 195 181 53 52 56	31 22 8 43 91 35 105	22 8 38 69 35	1 5 22	101
1950—January February March April May June,	31,185 809 1,059 685 1,052 1,285	711 768 525 771	708 746 520 769	550 363 170 304	30 13 21 23 39 18	146 361 327 426	80 280 147 307	90 66 82 180 119 169	3 22 5 2	3 369 98 292 160 281 330	83 229 160 281	6 3 6 14	159 57 58 65 31 35	108 20 168 89 236 276	19 165 80 231	1 4 9 6	14 63

 ¹ Includes publicly offered issues of Federal credit agencies, but excludes direct obligations of U. S. Treasury.
 ² Includes issues of noncontiguous U. S. Territories and Possessions.
 ³ These figures for 1947 and for January 1950 include 244 million dollars and 100 million, respectively, of issues of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, which are not shown separately.
 ⁴ Includes the Shell Caribbean Petroleum Company issue of 250 million dollars, classified as "foreign" by the Chronicle.

Source.—For domestic issues, Commercial and Financial Chronicle; for foreign issues, U. S. Department of Commerce. Monthly figures subject to revision. Back figures.—See Banking and Monetary Statistics, Table 137, p. 487.

NEW CORPORATE SECURITY ISSUES 1 PROPOSED USES OF PROCEEDS, ALL ISSUERS

[In millions of dollars]

					Pro	oposed uses	of net procee	ds		
Year or month	Estimated gross proceeds 2	Estimated net proceeds 3		New money		Retire	ement of sec	urities	Repayment	Other
	proceeds	proceeds	Total	Plant and equipment	Working capital	Total	Bonds and notes	Preferred stock	of other debt	purposes
1936 1937 1938 1939 1940 1941 1942 1943 1944 1945 1946 1947 1948 1949	4,572 2,310 2,155 2,164 2,677 2,667 1,062 1,170 3,202 6,011 6,900 6,577 7,078 6,052	4,431 2,239 2,110 2,115 2,615 2,623 1,043 1,147 3,142 5,902 6,757 6,466 6,959 5,959	858 991 681 325 569 868 474 308 657 1.080 3.279 4,591 5,929 4,606	380 574 504 170 424 661 287 141 252 638 2,115 3,409 4,221 3,724	478 417 177 155 145 207 187 167 405 442 1,182 1,708 882	3,368 1,100 1,206 1,695 1,854 1,583 396 739 2,389 4,555 2,368 1,352 307 401	3,143 911 1,119 1,637 1,726 1,483 366 667 2,038 4,117 2,392 1,155 240 360	226 190 87 59 128 100 30 72 351 438 476 196 67 41	154 111 215 69 174 144 138 73 49 134 379 356 488 637	49 36 7 26 19 28 35 27 47 133 231 168 234 315
1949—June July August September October November December	1,286 533 220 272 413 332 574	1,271 526 215 268 407 327 565	1,087 461 164 163 260 270 331	971 427 133 109 214 159 223	116 35 31 54 46 111 108	58 19 18 39 61 17 113	54 18 17 19 58 17	4 1 1 20 3	117 36 29 22 37 24 37	10 9 5 43 49 16 83
1950—January	614 259 547 7490 7669 1,069	605 255 538 *480 *658 1,055	453 190 371 +344 +306 625	405 130 242 7295 7212 451	48 60 129 749 794 174	52 33 139 r50 r204 317	39 30 138 736 7164 311	12 3 1 14 40 5	53 13 11 776 7137 65	48 18 17 79 11

PROPOSED USES OF PROCEEDS, BY MAJOR GROUPS OF ISSUERS [In millions of dollars]

	Ma	nufactu	ring 5		nmercia scellane			Railroa	d	Pu	ıblic util	ity 7	Con	nmunica	tion ⁸		leal esta nd finar	
Year or month	Total net pro- ceeds ⁹	New money	Retire- ments ¹⁰	Total net pro- ceeds ⁹	New money	Retire- ments ¹⁰	Total net pro- ceeds	New money	Retire- ments ¹⁰	Total net pro- ceeds ⁹	New money	Retire- ments ¹⁰	Total net pro- ceeds ⁹	New money	Retire- ments ¹⁰	Total net pro- ceeds ⁹	New money	Retire- ments ¹⁰
1936 1937 1938 1939 1940 1941 1941 1942 1943 1944 1945 1946	1,079 831 584 961 828 527 497 1,033 1,969 3,601	439 616 469 188 167 244 293 228 454 811 2,201 1,974	761 373 226 353 738 463 89 199 504 1,010 981 353				774 338 54 182 319 361 47 160 602 1,436 704 283	139 228 24 85 115 253 32 46 102 115 129 240	558 110 30 97 186 108 15 114 500 1,320 571 35	1,987 751 1,208 1,246 1,180 1,340 464 469 1,400 2,291 2,129 3,212	63 89 180 43 245 317 145 22 40 69 785 2,188	1,897 611 943 1,157 922 993 292 423 1,343 2,159 1,252 939				390 71 16 102 155 94 4 21 107 206 323 286	218 57 8 9 42 55 4 13 61 85 164 189	152 7 7 7 88 9 18 4 42 65 64 24
1948 1949		1,726 851	54 44	403 338	304 229	21 28	617 456	546 441	56 11	2,281 2,615	$1,998 \\ 2,140$	145 234	891 567	870 505	2 49	587 593	485 440	30 35
1949—June	166 202 44 26 83 36 63	77 175 22 20 41 24 49	1 1 4 16	35 11 26 55 38 25 36	23 9 19 27 30 6 23	8 13 2	45 51 20 16 41 10 31	45 51 13 16 41 10 27	7	549 197 107 109 222 149 346	490 192 103 76 130 125 159	39 2 1 27 45 4 96	386 26 11 4 13 16 4	386 24 1 2 11 14 4	10	91 39 6 58 11 92 85	67 10 6 23 6 90 70	14 15
1950—January	31 63 49 734 7186 169	27 47 38 724 780 109	2 4 10 1 7 36	31 25 16 733 729 45	25 21 15 r21 r19 20	3 6 1 11	93 13 107 r31 r69 74	27 13 85 r27 r39 15	31 22 30 40	225 130 217 7273 7331 575	165 98 141 r228 r129 385	14 29 58 740 7165 161	205 18 23 713 64	202 18 22 713 3	60	20 23 132 786 731 127	6 11 75 722 727 92	50 2

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1 Estimates of new issues sold for cash in the United States.

2 Gross proceeds are derived by multiplying principal amounts or number of units by offering price.

3 Estimated net proceeds are equal to estimated gross proceeds less cost of flotation, i.e., compensation to underwriters, agents, etc., and expenses.

4 Classification for years 1934-1947 are not precisely comparable, with those beginning 1948, but they are believed to be sufficiently similar for broad comparisons. See also footnotes 5 through 8.

4 Prior to 1948 this group corresponds to that designated "Industrial" in the old classification.

7 Includes "Other transportation" for which separate figures are available beginning in 1948.

9 Included in "Manufacturing" prior to 1948.

10 Included in "Public utility" prior to 1948.

10 Retirement of securities only.

Source.—Securities and Exchange Commission; for compilation of back figures, see Banking and Monetary Statistics, Table 138, p. 491, a publication of the Board of Governors.

SALES, PROFITS, AND DIVIDENDS OF LARGE CORPORATIONS

MANUFACTURING CORPORATIONS

[In millions of dollars]

	Assets of		on dollars porations)	and over	Assets of	50 millio (82 corp		and over	Assets of 10-50 million dollars (118 corporations)			
Year or quarter	Sales	Profits before taxes	Profits after taxes	Divi- dends	Sales	Profits before taxes	Profits after taxes	Divi- dends	Sales	Profits before taxes	Profits after taxes	Divi- dends
Annual 1939	21,771 28,240 30,348 26,531 21,562	1,209 1,844 3,156 3,395 3,683 3,531 2,421 2,033 4,099 5,315 5,035	997 1,273 1,519 1,220 1,260 1,255 1,129 1,202 2,521 3,310 3,099	722 856 947 760 777 848 861 943 1,167 1,403	9,008 11,138 15,691 18,544 24,160 25,851 22,278 17,651 26,015 31,465 31,816	1,071 1,638 2,778 2,876 3,111 2,982 1,976 1,573 3,423 4,593 4,596	883 1,127 1,329 1,056 1,097 1,091 964 932 2,105 2,860 2,768	656 772 854 672 688 755 764 804 1,000 1,210	1,583 1,869 2,600 3,227 4,080 4,497 4,253 3,912 5,129 5,717 5,124	139 206 378 519 571 549 445 460 676 721 529	114 146 190 164 164 165 271 416 450 330	67 83 93 88 88 93 98 139 167 192 183
Quarterly 1948—1	8,660 9,003 9,314 10,204	1,218 1,242 1,331 1,523	751 770 832 958	285 311 307 499	7,270 7,559 7,877 8,759	1,050 1,058 1,146 1,339	649 657 717 838	247 269 265 429	1,390 1,445 1,437 1,445	168 184 186 184	102 113 115 120	38 42 43 70
1949—1	9,392 9,446 9,485 8,617	1,326 1,196 1,312 1,201	808 726 799 766	343 354 331 629	8,085 8,192 8,213 7,326	1,187 1,077 1,183 1,059	723 653 717 675	303 312 292 567	1,307 1,254 1,273 1,291	139 119 129 142	84 73 82 91	40 42 39 62
1950—1	9,220	1,403	852	387	7,893	1,255	759	347	1,327	148	92	40

PUBLIC UTILITY CORPORATIONS

[In millions of dollars]

		Rail	roađ			Electric	power			Telep	ohone	
Year or quarter	Operat- ing revenue	Profits before taxes	Profits after taxes	Divi- dends	Operat- ing revenue	Profits before taxes	Profits after taxes	Divi- dends	Operat- ing revenue	Profits before taxes	Profits after taxes	Divi- dends
Annual 1939 1940 1941 1942 1943 1944 1945 1946 1947 1948 1949	3,995 4,297 5,347 7,466 9,055 9,437 8,902 7,628 8,685 9,672 8,580	126 249 674 1,658 2,211 1,972 756 271 7,77 1,148	93 189 500 902 873 667 450 287 479 699 438	126 159 186 202 217 246 246 235 236 289 252	2,647 2,797 3,029 3,216 3,464 3,615 3,681 3,815 4,291 4,830 5,047	629 692 774 847 913 902 905 964 954 983 1,129	535 548 527 490 502 507 534 638 643 657 753	444 447 437 408 410 398 407 458 494 493 558	1,067 1,129 1,235 1,362 1,537 1,641 1,803 1,992 2,149 2,541 2,817	227 248 271 302 374 399 396 277 193 269 332	191 194 178 163 180 174 177 200 131 183 220	175 178 172 163 168 168 174 171 134 181 216
Quarterly 1948—1	2,243 2,363 2,555 2,510	146 286 393 317	73 186 244 191	57 57 53 122	1,233 1,152 1,178 1,267	282 231 211 254	184 154 143 174	124 115 121 133	607 627 641 667	65 71 64 69	44 48 44 47	39 44 47 50
1949—1	2,147 2,226 2,140 2,066	119 183 174 224	58 115 104 161	69 55 50 78	1,312 1,223 1,223 1,289	316 272 259 281	206 180 173 195	124 136 142 157	670 695 711 741	62 75 84 111	42 50 55 72	50 51 54 61
1950—1	1,985	109	51	61	1,376	351	230	146	749	114	74	63

Note.—Manufacturing corporations. Data are from published company reports, except sales for period beginning 1946, which are from reports of the Securities and Exchange Commission. For certain items, data for years 1939-44 are partly estimated. Assets are total assets as of the end of 1946.

Railroads. Figures are for Class I line-haul railroads (which account for 95 per cent of all railroad operations) and are obtained from reports of the Interstate Commerce Commission.

Electric power. Figures are for Class A and B electric utilities (which account for about 95 per cent of all electric power operations) and are obtained from reports of the Federal Power Commission, except that quarterly figures on operating revenue and profits before taxes are partly estimated by the Federal Reserve, to include affiliated nonelectric operations.

Telephone. Figures are for 30 large companies (which account for about 85 per cent of all telephone operations) and exclude American Telephone and Telegraph Company, the greater part of whose income consists of dividends received on stock holdings in the 30 companies. Data are obtained from the Federal Communications Commission, except for dividends, which are from published company reports.

All series. Profits before taxes refer to income after all charges and before Federal income taxes and dividends. For description of series and back figures, see pp. 662-666 of the BULLETIN for June 1949 (manufacturing); pp. 215-217 of the BULLETIN for March 1942 (public utilities); p. 1126 of the BULLETIN for November 1942 (telephone); and p. 908 of the BULLETIN for September 1944 (electric power).

SALES, PROFITS, AND DIVIDENDS OF LARGE MANUFACTURING CORPORATIONS, BY INDUSTRY

[In millions of dollars]

		Annual					Ω	uarterl	у			
Industry	40.4				19	48			19	49		1950
	1947	1948	1949	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1
Nondurable goods industries											1	
Total (94 corps.)¹ Sales. Profits before taxes. Profits after taxes. Dividends.	1,787 1,167	2,208	1,843 1,211	3,219 546 356 133	3,289 553 362 157	3,324 543 362 141	3,532 565 394 225	3,243 496 321 146	3,051 397 256 166	3,163 446 292 147	3,333 503 342 249	3,251 505 323 166
Selected industries: Foods and kindred products (28 corps.) Sales. Profits before taxes. Profits after taxes. Dividends.	3,231 421 259 128	410 257	377 233	835 96 61 29	861 104 64 32	846 99 60 32	904 111 71 42	805 85 52 30	792 89 54 31	822 101 63 29	835 102 64 44	755 83 51 31
Chemicals and allied products (26 corps.) Sales	3,108 547 337 215	655 408	673 403	848 151 91 53	875 155 95 58	904 166 104 59	936 183 119 85		860 140 83 66	174 105	910 189 115 113	952 206 122 72
Petroleum refining (14 corps.) Sales Profits before taxes Profits after taxes Dividends	2,906 456 350 127	721 548	525 406	947 195 141 33	942 182 133 45	978 171 132 29	1,077 173 141 66	119	934 119 92 47	942 114 86 31	996 131 109 63	960 121 91 42
Durable goods industries												
Total (106 corps.)² Sales. Profits before taxes. Profits after taxes. Dividends.	2,312 1,355	3,107 1,836	3,192 1,888	5,440 672 395 152	5,714 688 408 154	5,991 788 470 166	6,673 958 564 274	6,149 830 487 197	6,397 799 470 188	866 508	5,284 697 424 380	5,969 898 529 220
Selected industries: Primary metals and products (39 corps.) Sales. Profits before taxes. Profits after taxes. Dividends	891 545	1,174	993 578	2,060 248 150 60	2,100 237 145 60	2,306 304 185 60	2,601 385 240 90	353 204	2,175 252 144 64	2,050 228 130 61	1,542 160 100 89	2,206 299 175 66
Machinery (27 corps.) Sales	443	569 334	520 321	131 75	1,198 144 83 28	1,140 118 71 28	1,351 177 105 42	1,135 133 79 33	120 77		1,168 148 91 41	1,064 147 86 49
Automobiles and equipment (15 corps.) Sales Profits before taxes Profits after taxes Dividends	6,692 809 445 195	1,131	1,473 861	247 142	251 146	2,056 305 175 65	2,221 327 176 112	298 177	376 218	462 267	337 200	398 234

¹Total includes 26 companies in nondurable goods groups not shown separately, as follows: textile mill products (10); paper and allied products (15); and miscellaneous (1).

²Total includes 25 companies in durable goods groups not shown separately, as follows: building materials (12); transportation equipment other than automobile (6); and miscellaneous (7).

CORPORATE PROFITS, TAXES, AND DIVIDENDS

(Estimates of the Department of Commerce. Quarterly data at seasonally adjusted annual rates) [In billions of dollars]

Year	Profits before taxes	Income taxes	Profits after taxes	Cash divi- dends	Undis- tributed profits	Quarter	Profits before taxes	Income taxes	Profits after taxes	Cash divi- dends	Undis- tributed profits
1939	6.5 9.3 17.2 21.1 25.1 24.3 19.7 23.5 30.5 33.9 27.6	1.5 2.9 7.8 11.7 14.4 13.5 11.2 9.6 11.9 13.0 10.6	5.0 6.4 9.4 10.6 10.8 8.5 13.9 18.5 20.9	3.8 4.0 4.5 4.3 4.5 4.7 4.7 5.8 6.6 7.5 7.8	1.2 2.4 4.9 5.1 6.2 6.1 3.8 8.1 11.9 13.4 9.2	1948—2	34.6 35.3 33.1 28.3 26.4 28.2 27.6 29.2 732.0	13.2 13.4 12.9 10.9 10.0 10.8 10.6	21.4 21.9 20.3 17.4 16.4 17.3 16.9 17.8 r19.5	7.3 7.5 7.9 7.9 7.7 7.4 8.2 8.1	14.1 14.4 12.4 9.5 8.7 9.9 8.7 9.7

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1 Figures, except for cash dividends, are estimates of Council of Economic Advisers, based on preliminary data.

Source.-Same as for national income series.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT DEBT-VOLUME AND KIND OF SECURITIES [On basis of daily statements of United States Treasury. In millions of dollars]

	Total					1	Direct deb	t					
	gross debt			Marketa	ible public	issues 1		Nonmark	etable pul	olic issues			Fully
End of month	(includ- ing guar- anteed securi- ties)	Total	Total ²	Treasury bills	Certifi- cates of indebt- edness	Treasury notes	Treasury bonds	Total 2	U.S. savings bonds	Treasury tax and savings notes	Special issues	Non- interest- bearing debt	guaran- teed securities
1943—Dec	202, 626, 626, 232, 144, 259, 115, 278, 682, 269, 898, 259, 487, 252, 366, 252, 854, 252, 798, 256, 709, 256, 701, 257, 160, 256, 392, 255, 747, 255, 740, 256, 377, 377, 377, 377, 377, 377, 377, 37	278, 115 269, 422 259, 149 258, 286 256, 990 252, 292 252, 770 253, 877 256, 882 256, 788 256, 788 256, 368 255, 718 255, 718 256, 350 257, 313	140, 401 161, 648 181, 319 198, 778 189, 606 176, 613 168, 702 165, 758 160, 346 157, 482 155, 147 154, 959 155, 552 155, 362 155, 362 155, 123 154, 833 154, 749 154, 601 155, 601	14, 734 16, 428 17,041 17,037 17,039 17,039 15,775 15,136 13,757 12,224 11,536 11,536 11,531 12,312 12,317 12,320 12,319 12,336 12,336 12,336 12,336 12,336 13,535 13,535	22,843 28,822 30,401 34,136 38,155 34,804 21,220 22,588 26,525 29,427 29,246 29,246 30,441 30,155 30,155 29,636 29,314 24,399 24,321 24,399 23,437 23,437 18,418	11,175 17,405 23,039 23,497 22,967 18,261 10,090 8,142 11,375 7,131 3,596 3,596 3,596 3,596 8,249 8,271 10,189 14,791 15,586 20,404 25,755	67,944 79,244 91,585 106,448 120,423 119,323 119,323 117,863 112,462 111,440 110,426 110,426 110,433 109,133 109,133 104,758 104,758 102,795 102,795 102,795 102,795 102,795	44, 855 50, 917 56, 226 56, 173 56, 451 59, 045 59, 492 59, 506 61, 383 62, 839 63, 871 65, 705 66, 703 66, 771 66, 928 67, 711 66, 731 67, 314	27,363 34,606 40,361 45,586 48,183 49,035 51,253 53,274 55,051 56,260 56,453 56,537 56,670 56,707 56,958 57,217 57,331 57,427 57,536	8,586 9,557 9,843 10,136 8,235 6,711 5,725 5,506 5,384 4,394 4,572 6,765 6,765 6,897 7,345 7,906 7,908 8,040 8,133 8,292 8,472	12, 703 14, 287 16, 326 18, 812 20,000 22, 332 24, 585 27, 366 30, 211 31, 776 33, 359 33, 359 33, 359 33, 829 33, 829 33, 820 33, 820 34, 820 35, 820 36, 820 37, 820 38, 820 38, 820 38, 820 39, 820 30, 820	1,370 1,460 1,739 2,326 2,421 1,311 1,500 3,173 2,695 2,229 2,200 1,931 1,923 1,901 1,858 2,111 1,997 1,962 2,218 2,202 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218 2,218	4,230 1,623 1,514 433 567 476 339 90 81 73 55 27 26 27 29 28 29 30 27 27 24 22 20 20

¹ Including amounts held by Government agencies and trust funds, which aggregated 5,350 million dollars on June 30, 1950.
² Total marketable public issues includes Postal Savings and prewar bonds, and total nonmarketable public issues includes adjusted service depositary bonds, Armed Forces Leave bonds, and 2½ per cent Treasury investment bonds, series A-1965, not shown separately. Back figures.—See Banking and Monetary Statistics, Tables 146-148, pp. 509-512.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT MARKETABLE PUBLIC SECURITIES OUTSTANDING JULY 31, 1950

[On basis of daily statements of United States Treasury. In millions of dollars]

	1.		J .
Issue and coupon rate	Amount	Issue and coupon rate	Amount
Treasury bills 1 Aug. 3, 1950 Aug. 10, 1950 Aug. 17, 1950 Aug. 24, 1950 Aug. 31, 1950 Sept. 14, 1950 Sept. 14, 1950 Sept. 21, 1950 Sept. 21, 1950 Oct. 5, 1950 Oct. 13, 1950 Oct. 19, 1950 Oct. 26, 1950	1,102 1,103 1,104 1,103 1,004 1,102 1,004 1,003 1,003 1,003 1,004 1,004	Treasury bonds—Cont. Sept. 15, 1951–5523 Dec. 15, 1951–533. 214 Dec. 15, 1951–552 Mar. 15, 1952–542½ June 15, 1952–542½ June 15, 1952–5524 Dec. 15, 1952–552 June 15, 1952–552 June 15, 1953–5522 June 15, 1954–56224 Mar. 15, 1955–60224 Mar. 15, 1956–5924 Sept. 15, 1956–5924 Sept. 15, 1956–5924 June 15, 1958–63224	755 1,118 510 1,024 5,825 1,501 8,662 725 681 2,611 1,449 982 3,823 919 5,284 3,470
Cert. of indebtedness Sept. 15, 1950	1,197 6,248 5,373	Dec. 15, 1960-653 . 23/4 June 15, 1960-653 . 23/4 Dec. 15, 1963-688 . 23/4 Dec. 15, 1964-694 . 23/4 Dec. 15, 1964-694 . 23/4 Mar. 15, 1965-703 . 23/4 Mar. 15, 1965-703 . 23/4 June 15, 1967-722 . 23/4 Dec. 15, 1967-723 . 23/4 Dec. 15, 1967-724 . 23/4	1,485 2,118 2,831 3,761 3,838 5,197 3,481 7,967 2,716 11,689
July 1, 1951-B. 11/4 July 1, 1951-C. 11/4 July 1, 1951-D. 11/4 Aug. 1, 1951. 11/4 Oct. 1, 1951. 11/4 Mar. 15, 1954. 13/8 Mar. 15, 1955. 11/2	2,741 886 4,818 5,351 1,918 4,675 5,365	Postal Savings bonds2½ Panama Canal Loan.3	109
Treasury bonds Sept. 15, 1950-5224.21/2	1,186	Total direct issues	155,168
Sept. 15, 1950-522 Dec. 15, 19501½ June 15, 1951-54 ² 2 ³ / ₄ Sept. 15, 1951-532	4,939 2,635 1,627 7,986	Guaranteed securities Federal Housing Admin. Various	13

Sold on discount basis. See table on Open-Market Money Rates, p. 1040.
 Partially tax exempt.
 Called for redemption on Sept. 15, 1950.

UNITED STATES SAVINGS BONDS

		In millio	ns of doll	ars]		
Month	Amount out- standing	Funds 1	eceived f		during	Redemp- tions and maturities
	at end of month	All series	Series E	Series F	Series G	All series
Fiscal year						
ending:	1					
June—1943	21,256	11,789	8,271	758	2,759	848
1944		15,498	11,820	802	2,876	2,371
1945		14,891	11,553	679	2,658	4,298
1946		9,612	6,739	407	2,465	6,717
1947		7,208	4,287	360	2,561	5,545
1948 1949		6,235 7,141	4,026 4,278	301 473	1,907 2,390	5,113
1950	57.536	5.673	3.993	231	1,449	5,067 5,422
1930	37,550	3,073	3,990	231	1,727	3,422
1949 July	56,453	511	378	17	115	425
Aug	56,537	449	329	16	104	439
Sept	56,600	398	299	13	86	411
Oct	56,670	388	289	13	86	396
Nov	56,717	383	286	14	84	415
Dec	56,707	495	377	16	103	466
1950—Jan	56,958	707	402	38	267	618
Feb	57,217	581	361	31	189	418
Mar	57,331	524	364	27	134	510
Apr	57,427	423	305	15	102	413
May	57,477	416	307	16	92	454
June	57.536	398	297	14	86	456
July	57,568	417	318	13	87	505
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Year of maturity	All series	Series	Series E	Series F	Series G
maturity	series	D		r	- G
1950	407	407			
1951	1,557	443	1,114		
952	3,940	II	3,940		
1953	6.704	(5,466	198	1.040
954	8.555	1	6,082	500	1.973
955	7,409		4,852	528	2,029
1956	5,464		2,503	607	2,353
1957	5,256	1	2,633	484	2,139
1958	5,500	¹	2,959	264	2,277
[959	5,484		3,218	286	1,981
1960	4,777		1,904	463	2,410
1961	1,613	1]		228	1,385
1962	1,001			140	861
Unclassified	-101				
Total	57,568	850	34,672	3,698	18.450

OWNERSHIP OF UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT SECURITIES, DIRECT AND FULLY GUARANTEED [Par value in millions of dollars]

	Total gross		d by vernment				Held by t	he public			
End of month	debt (includ- ing guar- anteed	agenci	es and funds ¹	Total	Federal Reserve	Com- mercial	Mutual savings	Insur- ance	Other corpo- rations	State and local	Indi-
	securi- ties)	Special issues	Public issues		Banks	banks ²	banks	com- panies	and asso- ciations ³	govern- ments	viduals
1940—June 1941—June 1942—June 1943—June 1944—June 1945—June 1946—June Dec. 1947—June Dec. 1948—June 1949—June 1949—June 1950—Feb. Mar. Apr. May	55, 332 76, 991 140, 796 202, 626 259, 115 269, 898 259, 487 258, 376 256, 981 252, 366 252, 854 252, 798 257, 160	4,775 6,120 7,885 10,871 14,287 18,812 22,332 24,585 27,366 28,955 30,211 31,714 32,776 33,896 32,871 32,098 31,802 31,808	2,305 2,375 2,737 3,451 4,810 6,798 6,798 6,338 5,445 5,538 5,603 5,498 5,494 5,510 5,506 5,494 5,510 5,506	41, 416 46, 837 66, 369 126, 474 183, 529 234, 175 240, 768 228, 564 225, 565 222, 629 216, 617 215, 537 214, 524 217, 814 218, 030 218, 139 218, 432 219, 015	2,466 2,184 2,645 7,202 14,901 21,792 23,783 23,350 21,872 22,559 21,366 23,333 19,343 18,885 17,746 17,592 17,796	16, 100 19, 700 26, 000 52, 200 68, 400 84, 200 84, 400 70, 000 64, 600 62, 500 63, 000 66, 800 66, 400 64, 900 65, 300 65, 800	3,100 3,400 3,900 5,300 7,300 9,600 11,500 12,100 12,000 11,500 11,500 11,600 11,600 11,600 11,600	6,500 7,100 9,200 13,100 17,300 22,700 25,300 25,300 24,300 21,500 20,500 20,600 20,600 20,500 20,500	2,500 2,400 5,400 15,500 25,900 25,300 22,400 21,200 21,200 21,400 22,700 21,400 22,600 24,600 24,200 24,700	400 600 1,500 3,200 6,500 6,500 6,300 7,100 7,300 7,800 7,800 8,000 8,100 8,700 8,700 8,700	10, 300 11,500 18,400 31,700 46,500 64,100 64,100 67,100 67,600 67,600 67,600 67,600 67,000 70,200 70,200 70,300 70,500

SUMMARY DATA FROM TREASURY SURVEY OF OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES ISSUED OR GUARANTEED BY THE UNITED STATES *

[Interest-bearing public marketable securities. In millions of dollars]

End of month	Total out- stand- ing	U. S. Govt. agen- cies and trust funds	Fed- eral Re- serve Banks	Com- mer- cial banks ¹	Mu- tual sav- ings banks	Insur- ance com- panies	Other	End of month	Total out- stand- ing	U. S. Govt. agen- cies and trust funds	Fed- eral Re- serve Banks	Com- mer- cial banks ¹	Mu- tual sav- ings banks	Insur- ance com- panies	Other
Type of security:								Treasury bonds and notes, due or callable:							
	160,373 157,496 155,160 155,138	5,402 5,477 5,374 5,327	21,366 23,333 19,343 18,885	57,599 55,353 56,237 59,856	11,522 10,877 11,029 10,772	21,705 19,819 19,090 18,535	42,779 42,637 44,087 41,763	Dec 1949—June Dec	14,263 13,411 10,216 11,226 14,319	19 98 49	2,070 861 982	5,922 5,571 7,021	171 232 236	273 329 385	4,956 3,125 2,553
1950—Apr May Treasury bills:		5,362	17,389	59,118	10,881	18,307	43,959	1950—Apr May	8,761 8,761	21 21	463 463	5,620 5,646		300 306	
1947—Dec 1948—June Dec 1949—June Dec 1950—Apr.	15,136 13,757 12,224 11,536 12,319 12,623	15 69 63 11		2,345 2,794 2,817 3,514	25 58 50 13 15	112	3,740 4,237 3,880	1-5 years: 1947—Dec 1948—June Dec 1949—June	49,948 46,124 44,053 39,175	344 318 226 212	2,636 3,258 2,121	33,415 30,580 28,045 26,304	1,829 1,769 1,279	2,501 2,124	7,971 8,254
May Certificates: 1947—Dec	13,023	.15	4,069	3,174	21	67 269	5,677	Dec 1950—Apr	35,067 48,611	381	3,164	24,907 32,917	1,087	1,883	9,179
1948—June Dec 1949—June Dec	22,588 26,525 29,427 29,636 23,437	14 24 26 48	4,616 6,078 6,857 6,275	8,552 9,072 9,561 11,520	317 256 207	479 672 602 633	8,610 10,423 12,174 10,991 9,292	May	48,611 10,270 10,464 10,464	370 314	426 546 434	6,251	,	911	1,928 1,936
May Treasury notes: 1947—Dec	23,437	13	5,875	7,723	124		9,196	1949—June Dec	15,067 18,537	532	584	6,587	2,002	1,732	3,630
1947—Dec 1948—June Dec 1949—June Dec	11,375 11,375 7,131 3,596 8,249	7 47	1,968 791 359 562	4,531 3,099 1,801	98 84 41	223	4,555 2,984 1,244	1950—Apr May After 10 years:	15,926 15,926	423 423			2,575 2,524	2,136 2,128	
1950—Apr May Treasury bonds:	15,586 15,586	31 31	1,507 1,644	9,800 9,736	139 130	358 326	3,751 3,719	1947—Dec 1948—June Dec 1949—June	54,757 53,838 53,838 48,554	4,685 4,710	2,921 7,215	5,003 3,922 3,541 3,933	8,639 8,048	18,211 17,129 15,230 14,179	16,542 15,094
1947—Dec 1948—June Dec 1949—June Dec	112,462 111,440	5,336 5,340 5,201	6,206 10,977 7,780	42,146 40,371 42,042	11,226 11,047 10,486 10,768 10,480	20,880 18,891 18,315	26,847 25,375 26,320	Dec	45,084 45,084	4,441	3,593 2,882	3,887 4,049	6,588		13,090 13,247
1950—Apr May	102.795	5.268	6.155	38,285	10,571 10,604	17,487	25,029								

^{*} Figures include only holdings by institutions or agencies from which reports are received. Data for commercial banks, mutual savings banks, insurance companies, and the residual "other" are not entirely comparable from month to month. Figures in column headed "other" include holdings by nonreporting banks and insurance companies as well as by other investors. Estimates of total holdings (including relatively small amounts of nonmarketable issues) by all banks and all insurance companies for certain dates are shown in the table above.

1 Including stock savings banks.
2 Including Postal Savings and prewar bonds and a small amount of guaranteed securities, not shown separately below.

FEDERAL RESERVE BULLETIN

Including the Postal Savings System.
 Including holdings by banks in territories and insular possessions, which amounted to 300 million dollars on December 31, 1949.
 Including savings and loan associations, dealers and brokers, and investments of foreign balances and international accounts in this country. Note.—Holdings of Federal Reserve Banks and U. S. Government agencies and trust funds are reported figures; holdings of other investor groups are estimated by the Treasury Department.

SUMMARY OF TREASURY RECEIPTS, EXPENDITURES, AND RELATED ITEMS

[In millions of dollars]

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				On basis	s of dail	y stateme	nts of Un	ited Sta	tes Tre	asury					sh oper me and	
						Increase decreas		Genera	l fund o	of the Tr	easury	end of	period)		l	out go
Fiscal			Budget	_		during				As	sets					_
year or month	Net re-	Budget ex-	surplus (+) or	Trust ac-	Clear- ing			Bal- ance		Depos	its in		Total	Cash	Cash	Excess income
nionti.	ceipts	pendi- tures	deficit	counts etc. ¹	ac- count ¹	Gross debt	General fund balance	in gen- eral fund	Total	Fed- eral Re- serve Banks ²	Spe- cial depos- itaries	Other assets	lia- bili- ties	in- come	outgo	(+) or outgo (-)
Fiscal year:																
1948 1949 1950	38,246	33,791 40,057 40,167	+8,419 $-1,811$ $-3,122$	-495	+366	-5,994 +478 +4,587	-1,462	3,470	3,862	438	1,771	1,653	392	41,628	36,496 40,576 43,155	+1,051
1949—July Aug Sept Oct	1,946 2,479 4,832 1,881	3,434 3,585 3,995 3,111		+345 -404	-133 +20	+1,107 +1,975 +828 +98		4,418		610 1,176		1,644	362 349 381 343		3,715 3,847	-885 -566 +1,068 -1,220
Nov Dec	2,344 4,191	3,127 3,722	-783 +469	+299 -272	-36 -88	+204 +148	-315 +257	4,422 4,679	4,789 5,033	517 841	2,632 2,557	1,641 1,635	367 354	2,965 4,263	3,426 4,070	-461 +193
1950—Jan Feb Mar	3,366 2,972 4,820		+476 +1,551	-93	+122	-265 -497 -645	+370 +137 +935	5,186 6,121	6,438	666 1,006	3,665	1,677 1,766	372 303 317	5,162	3,537 4,046	
Apr May June July	1,488 2,320 4,404 1,881	2,962		+147 -53	-376 -8	$^{-6}$ $^{+632}$ $^{+1,007}$ $^{+183}$	-1,419 -238 +1,053 -1,017	4,464 5,517	5,927	588 950	3,628	1,609 1,709		2,939 4,687	3,700	-1,661 -762 +626

DETAILS OF TREASURY RECEIPTS

		On bas	sis of daily	staten	ents of	United	States Tre	easury		On bas	sis of re	ports by col	lectors of i	nternal	revenue
*** *	Income	taxes	Mis-				Dec	luct		Indiv	idual	Corporation	on income	Es-	Excise
Fiscal year or month	With- held by em- ployers	Other	cella- neous internal revenue	Social Secu- rity taxes	Other re- ceipts 4	Total re- ceipts	Refunds of taxes	Social Security employ- ment taxes ⁵	Net re- ceipts	With- held	Other	Normal and surtax	Excess and other profits	tate and gift taxes	and other miscel- laneous taxes
Fiscal year: 1948 1949 1950	9,842	19,735 19,641 18,189	8,348		2,456	46,099 42,774 41,311		1,690	42,211 38,246 37,045	10,056	7,996	11,343		899 797 706	7,412 7,585 7,599
1949—July Aug Sept Oct Nov Dec	1,161 657	407 3,237 496 355	749 714 753 722	147 65 356	196 131 114 161	4,885 1,993 2,727	57 45	58 381 7 62 337 5		828 1,556 26 952 1,403 36	99 991 122	226	11 8 6	48 61 73 53 56 59	587 713 645 688 672 606
1950—Jan Feb Mar Apr May June July	588 1,310 774 479 1,342 817 434	1,957 1,032 3,655 788 379 2,709	645 599 701 629 704 714	68	128 103 176 184	3,480 3,607 5,622 2,092 2,895 4,776	238 573 518 301 149	47 398 229 86 274 222 201	1,488 2,320	1,816 93 530 1,763 188	739 1,604 470 116	2,103 283	7 7 8 5 12 7	51 48 91 60 52 54	594 541 674 548 660 670

DETAILS OF BUDGET EXPENDITURES AND TRUST ACCOUNTS

	BIAIL	OF BUI	JOEL											
			Bud	get expe		<u> </u>	ements	or Unite	ed State			unts, et	c.	
Fiscal year				Inter-			Trans-			ial Secu .ccounts			Other	
or month	Total	National defense	Inter- est on debt	na- tional finance and aid	Vet- erans' Ad- minis- tration	Aid to agri- cul- ture	fers to trust ac- counts	Other	Net re- ceipts	In- vest- ments	Ex- pendi- tures	Re- ceipts	In- vest- ments	Ex- pendi- tures ⁴
Fiscal year: 1948	33,791 40,057 40,167	12.158	5,339	6,011	6,791	782 2,661 3,043	916	6,181	3,722	1,479	2,252	1,992	832	1,646
1949—July	3,434 3,585	1,165 1,024 1,002 1,056	544 255 306	455 394 353	504	64 327 495 242 212 311	413 330 419 85 7 -26	698 618 628 654	489 637 37 172 562 48	46 151 92	243 262 265 232 256 277		24 265 425 6 9 25	93 114 113 129 82
1950—Jan	3,323 2,496 3,269 2,847 2,962 4,296	1,046 *936 1,051 *964 1,007	463 161 636 184 136 1,611	325 375 344 412	509 494 578 499 498 459 448	314 124 127 217 454 157 P435	8 11 69 16 8	652 448 491 570 439 665 2541	556 493	47 52 169 309	295 267 311 238 243 225 189	121 116 158 127 117 451 65	-424 -746 -844 -327 -73 279 6	909 999 421 186

Preliminary.
 Revised.
 Excess of receipts (+) or expenditures (-).
 Excluding items in process of collection beginning with July 1947.
 For description, see Treasury Bulletin for September 1947 and subsequent issues.
 Including surplus property receipts and receipts from renegotiation of war contracts, which for fiscal years 1947-1949 amounted to 2,886, 1,929, and 589 million dollars and 279, 161, and 57 million, respectively.
 These are appropriated directly to the Federal old-age and survivors insurance trust fund.

GOVERNMENT CORPORATIONS AND CREDIT AGENCIES

[Based on compilation by United States Treasury Department. In millions of dollars]

PRINCIPAL ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

		Asse	ets, other	er than	interage	ncy ite	ns 1			ies, oth			
Corporation or agency			Loans	Com- modi- ties,		est- nts	Land,	Other	and d	, notes, leben- ayable	Other	U. S. Gov- ern- ment	Pri- vately owned
	Total	Cash	re- ceiv- able	sup- plies, and mate- rials	U. S. Govt. secu- rities	Other secu- rities 2	tures, and equip- ment	as- sets	Fully guar- anteed by U. S.	Other	liabil- ities	inter- est	inter- est
All agencies: June 30, 1949. Sept. 30, 1949. Dec. 31, 1949. Mar. 31, 1950.	22.594	379	11,770 11,720 12,733 13,350	1,596 1,549	2,069 2,047	3,501 3,492	2,933 2,962	351 396 509 414	28	856	1,074 1,720	19,682 20,460 21,030 21,368	183
Classification by agency, Mar. 31, 1950 Department of Agriculture: Farm Credit Administration: Banks for cooperatives. Federal intermediate credit banks. Production credit corporations. Agricultural Marketing Act Revolving Fund. Federal Farm Mortgage Corp Rural Electrification Administration. Commodity Credit Corporation. Farmers' Home Administration 4. Federal Crop Insurance Corp.	1,400 3,575	18	493 1 48 1,357 1,988 421	1.414	43 47 38		(3) (3) (4) (4)	(3) 1 1 25 92 18	1		(3) (3) (3) 1,326 2	63 2 52 1.400	
Housing and Home Finance Agency: Home Loan Bank Board: Federal home loan banks. Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corp. Home Owners' Loan Corp. Public Housing Administration 5. Federal Housing Administration. Federal National Mortgage Association.	176 1,662 294	22 1 22 12 31	147 309 19	(3)	395 217 5 209	1	1,310			(8)	320 6 9 20 137 11	217 165 1,642 141	
Reconstruction Finance Corporation: Assets held for U. S. Treasury 6. Other 7. Export-Import Bank Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. Federal Works Agency. Tennessee Valley Authority. All other 8.	1,043 2,214 1,277 164 877	(3) (3) (3) (8) 18	2,200 (3) 89 (8)	(3)			(8) (3) 66 838	45 14 10 9 7			63 101 36 5 13	2,113 1,242 159 864	

CLASSIFICATION OF LOANS BY PURPOSE AND AGENCY

						Ma	r. 31, 19	50						
Purpose of loan	Fed. Farm Mort. Corp.	Fed. inter- medi- ate credit banks	Banks for co- opera- tives	Com- modity Credit Corp.	Rural Elec- trifica- tion Adm.	Farm- ers' Home Adm.	Home Own- ers' Loan Corp.	Public Hous- ing Adm.	Fed. home loan banks	Reconstruction Fi-nance Corp.	Ex- port- Im- port Bank	All other	All agen- cies	Dec. 31, 1949, all agencies
To aid agriculture							148	3				10 1,011		
RailroadsOtherTo aid financial institutions:												3 33	113 496	
Banks. Other. Foreign loans. Other.									320	8 144		3,750		6,090
Less: Reserve for losses	8	(3)	3	130	1	133	1				7	4	358	476
Total loans receivable (net)	48	493	258	1,988	1,357	421	147	309	320	904	2,200	4,905	13,350	12,733

¹ Assets are shown on a net basis. i. e., after reserve for losses.

² Totals for each quarter include the United States' investment of 635 million dollars in stock of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development and its subscription of 2,750 million to the International Monetary Fund.

³ Less than \$500,000. ⁴ Includes assets and liabilities of the Regional Agricultural Credit Corporation, which have been reported as "Disaster Loans, etc., Revolving Fund," since the dissolution of that Corporation pursuant to Public Law 38, 81st Congress.

⁵ Includes Farm Security Administration program, Homes Conversion program, Public War Housing program, Veterans' Re-use Housing program, and Public Housing Administration activities under the United States Housing Act, as amended.

⁶ Assets representing unrecovered costs to the Corporation in its national defense, war, and reconversion activities, which are held for the Treasury for liquidation purposes in accordance with provisions of Public Law 860, 80th Congress.

⁷ Includes figures for Smaller War Plants Corp, which is being liquidated by the Reconstruction Finance Corp.

⁸ Figures for one small agency are for a date other than Mar. 31, 1950.

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Nors.—Statement includes figures for certain business-type activities of the U. S. Government. Comparability of the figures in recent years has been affected by (1) the adoption of a new reporting form and the substitution of quarterly for monthly reports beginning Sept. 30, 1944, and (2) the exclusion of figures for the U. S. Maritime Commission beginning Mar. 31, 1948. For back figures see earlier issues of the BULLETIN and Banking and Monetary Statistics, Table 152, p. 517.

BUSINESS INDEXES

[The terms "adjusted" and "unadjusted" refer to adjustment of monthly figures for seasonal variation]

		(physi	rial proc cal volu 5-39 =	me) *1		awar	nstructi ontracts ded (va 3-25 =	lue) 2		ployme 39 = 10		Fac-	Freight	Depart- ment	Con-	Whole-
Year or month	To	tal	Ma fact		Min-	Total	Resi-	All	Non-	₩o.a.		tory pay- rolls 3 1939 = 100	carload- ings* 1935-39 =100	store sales (val- ue) * 4 1935-39	sumers' prices 3 1935-39 =100	com- modity prices ⁸ 1926
	10	tai	Dur- able	Non- dur- able	erals	Total	tial	other	cul- tural	Fac	LOLY			=100		=100
	Ad- justed	Unad- justed	Ad- justed	Ad- justed	Ad- justed	Ad- justed	Ad- justed	Ad- justed	Ad- justed	Ad- justed	Unad- justed		Ad- justed	Ad- justed	Unad- justed	Unad- justed
1919 1920 1921 1922 1923 1924 1925		72 75 58 73 88 82 90	84 93 53 81 103 95 107	62 60 57 67 72 69 76	71 83 66 71 98 89	63 63 56 79 84 94 122	44 30 44 68 81 95 124	79 90 65 88 86 94 120	89.4 79.7 84.4 92.9 91.7		103.7 104.1 79.7 88.2 100.9 93.7 97.0	124.2 80.2 86.0 109.1 101.8	120 129 110 121 142 139 146	83 99 92 93 104 104 109	123.8 143.3 127.7 119.7 121.9 122.2 125.4	138.6 154.4 97.6 96.7 100.6 98.1 103.5
1926		96 95 99 110 91	114 107 117 132 98	79 83 85 93 84	100 100 99 107 93	129 129 135 117 92	121 117 126 87 50	135 139 142 142 125	98.0 98.1 102.5		98.9 96.7 96.9 103.1 89.8	109.8 117.1	152 147 148 152 131	112 113 114 116 108	126.4 124.0 122.6 122.5 119.4	100.0 95.4 96.7 95.3 86.4
1931 1932 1933 1934 1935		75 58 69 75 87	67 41 54 65 83	79 70 79 81 90	80 67 76 80 86	63 28 25 32 37	37 13 11 12 21	84 40 37 48 50	77.2 77.5 84.9	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	75.8 64.4 71.3 83.2 88.7	49.5 53.1 68.3	105 78 82 89 92	96 75 73 82 88	108.7 97.6 92.4 95.7 98.1	73.0 64.8 65.9 74.9 80.0
1936. 1937. 1938. 1939.		103 113 89 109 125	122 78	100 106 95 109 115	99 112 97 106 117	55 59 64 72 81	37 41 45 60 72	70 74 80 81 89	101.4 95.4 100.0		96.4 105.8 90.0 100.0 107.5	108.9 84.7 100.0	89 101	100 107 99 106 114	99.1 102.7 100.8 99.4 100.2	80.8 86.3 78.6 77.1 78.6
1941 1942 1943 1944 1945		162 199 239 235 203	201 279 360 353 274	142 158 176 171 166	125 129 132 140 137	122 166 68 41 68	89 82 40 16 26	149 235 92 61 102	131.1 138.8 137.0		132.8 156.9 183.3 178.3 157.0	241.5 331.1 343.7	130 138 137 140 135	133 150 168 187 207	105.2 116.5 123.6 125.5 128.4	87.3 98.8 103.1 104.0 105.8
1946 1947 1948 1949		170 187 192 176	220 225	165 172 177 168	134 149 155 135	153 157 190 211	143 142 162 192	161 169 214 226	143.2 145.9		147.8 156.2 155.2 141.6	351.4	138	264 286 302 286	139.3 159.2 171.2 169.1	121.1 152.1 165.1 155.0
JulyAugustSeptemberOctoberNovemberDecember	186 191 192 195 195 195	187 194 197 199 195 190	219 223 225 231 229 231	169 177 178 179 178 173	153 159 156 158 161 156	205 201 193 184 189 180	187 177 165 157 154 145	219 220 216 206 217 209	146.3 146.7 146.8 146.8 146.6 146.2	155.6 155.6 155.3	153.5 156.3 158.9 157.6 155.9 153.5	360.1 366.8	138 142 139 140 137	312 308 308 310 291 302	173.7 174.5 174.5 173.6 172.2 171.4	168.8 169.8 168.9 165.4 164.0 162.4
1949 January February March April May June July August September October November December	191 189 184 179 174 169 161 170 174 166 173	178	185 193 199 175 181	172 177 177	149 149 136 148 145 133 123 129 119 112 141 132	174 169 175 177 181 195 209 229 246 263 265 262	254 269 256	240 259	142.1 141.6 141.0 141.5 142.2 139.2 139.9	147.6 145.6 143.4 140.8 139.9 138.9 139.6 141.3 136.6	147.4 145.3 141.8 138.2 138.4 136.9 141.1 143.7 138.8 137.8	340.4 332.8 319.2 312.8 315.7 312.8 323.0 335.1 320.9 313.9	105 92 117	295 284 279 293 291 285 280 283 289 276 277 293	170.9 169.0 169.5 169.7 169.2 169.6 168.5 168.6 168.5	r160.7 r158.4 r158.6 r157.1 r155.8 154.5 r153.6 152.9 r153.5 152.2 151.6 151.2
1950 January February March April May June July	183 180 187 190 195 199 199	179 177 183 188 195 \$201	209 207 211 222 231 237 238	179 180 181 180 181 181 **184	130 118 144 140 145 **151 **148	274 2287	245 260 278 298 303 9317	273 250 263	r141.2 r142.8 144.0 p145.0	140.2 140.2 *141.2 *143.1 147.1 *148.5	141.0 *141.6 144.5 *147.0	330.0 r333.5 r337.2 349.0	127	282 280 274 292 290 298 362	166.9 166.5 167.0 167.3 168.6 170.2	151.5 152.7 152.7 152.9 155.9 157.3

^{*}Average per working day. *Estimated. *Preliminary. *Revised.

¹ For indexes by groups or industries, see pp. 1050-1053. For points in total index, by major groups, see p. 1072.

² Three-month moving average, based on F. W. Dodge Corporation data; for description of index, see BULLETIN for July 1931, p. 358. For monthly data (dollar value) by groups, see p. 1057.

³ The unadjusted indexes of employment and payrolls, wholesale commodity prices, and consumers' prices are compiled by or based on data of the Bureau of Labor Statistics. Nonagricultural employment covers employees only and excludes personnel in the armed forces.

¹ For indexes by Federal Reserve districts and other department store data, see pp. 1059-1062.

Back figures in BULLETIN.—For industrial production, August 1940, pp. 825-882, September 1941, pp. 933-937, and October 1943, pp. 958-984; for department store sales, June 1944, pp. 549-561.

INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION, BY INDUSTRIES

(Adjusted for Seasonal Variation)

[Index numbers of the Board of Governors. 1935-39 average =100]

				1949						1950	i		
Industry	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June
Industrial Production—Total	169	161	170	174	166	173	179	183	180	187	190	195	p199
Manufactures—Total	175	168	178	184	176	179	188	192	192	194	199	204	p20
Durable Manufactures	194	185	193	199	175	181	203	209	207	211	222	231	p232
Iron and Sieel 1	177	156	178	179	102	145	201	203	201	205	222	226	p22
Pig iron. Steel. Open hearth Electric	189 182 167 293	158 162 148 259	170 191 165 376	171 193 168 373	23 38 21 162	107 137 105 359	198 239 194 557	201 244 192 612	175 238 181 639	175 243 180 691	219 270 204 739	222 273 206 755	22: 27: 20: 76:
Machinery	225	217	216	224	226	217	227	229	236	243	251	259	P26
Transportation Equipment	240	249	246	252	238	206	211	242	210	214	7226	261	p27
Automobiles (including parts)(Aircraft; Railroad Equipment; Shipbuilding — Private and Government) ²	211	225	225	231	216	175	181	224	182	189	r205	248	p ₂₇
Nonferrous Metals and Products	133	127	141	157	164	163	166	·180	r190	r200	r198	197	P20
Smelting and refining	193	180	174	175	167	169	174	191	202	208	207	208	P21
Fabricating. (Copper products; Lead shipments; Zinc shipments; Aluminum products; Magnesium products; Tin consumption) ² .	108	105	128	150	162	161	r163	r176	7184	r197	r194	192	P19
Lumber and Products	123	115	126	132	133	147	159	144	150	156	159	158	p15
LumberFurniture	114 139	104 136	115 148	119 158	116 165	139 163	153 170	132 166	138 173	145 176	150 175	149 175	p14 p17
Stone, Clay, and Glass Products	186	185	183	183	184	183	187	190	192	188	r201	203	P21
Glass products Glass containers. Cement. Clay products Other stone and clay products ² .	193 206 195 152	202 223 190 140	192 204 183 145	184 195 189 146	193 204 182 146	184 193 191 147	182 190 206 150	194 206 207 158	195 207 211 157	191 201 192 *158	209 222 218 160	211 223 210 162	p21 23 p21 p16
Nondurable Manufactures	161	154	165	172	177	177	176	179	180	181	180	181	p18
Textiles and Products	126	120	140	155	169	175	173	178	179	173	174	175	p17
Textile fabrics Cotton consumption. Rayon deliveries Nylon and silk consumption ² .	116 105 217	107 87 238	127 111 259	140 127 294	153 134 318	157 138 340	154 134 350	160 144 355	162 144 357	156 138 350	157 139 348	158 140 r347	^p 15 13 34
Wool textiles. Carpet wool consumption Apparel wool consumption Wool and worsted yarn Woolen yarn. Worsted yarn. Woosted yarn. Woolen and worsted cloth.	120 127 110 115 118 111 126	109 91 109 108 113 102 118	134 141 134 129 132 126 136	139 148 138 135 128 145 140	161 178 158 154 141 174 163	158 186 140 144 135 158 166	151 193 136 133 119 153 159	154 215 147 131 119 148 156	159 215 163 140 122 165 156	152 210 153 134 116 161 146	154 222 7143 134 119 156 149	157 216 149 140 127 158 153	
Leather and Products	105	96	110	115	108	97	101	108	115	116	110	101	
Leather tanning Cattle hide leathers Calf and kip leathers Goat and kid leathers Sheep and lamb leathers Shoes	97 110 75 80 79 110	84 98 55 71 70 104	91 104 69 72 78 123	100 112 77 84 87 125	98 106 81 85 93 115	92 100 77 80 86 101	99 111 88 78 76 103	95 103 86 85 80 116	102 112 85 89 91 124	98 108 77 91 82 128	101 112 83 83 97 115	95 104 75 88 81 106	
Manufactured Food Products	165	161	166	167	165	160	160	161	161	r165	164	164	P16
Wheat flour Cane sugar meltings ² . Manufactured dairy products. Butter Cheese. Canned and dried milk.	81 176	112 151 78 171 173	109 152 82 171 172	110 151 86 167 158	111 146 83 162 140	110 147 86 176 135	105 148 85 183 142	114 148 85 185 135	112 149 86 181 144	111 154 94 191 158	105 153 91 195 155	107 150 85 175 155	153 87 184 165
Ice cream 2													

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INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION, BY INDUSTRIES—Continued (Adjusted for Seasonal Variation)

[Index numbers of the Board of Governors. 1935-39 average = 100]

				1949						19	50		
Industry	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June
Manufactured Food Products—Continued													
Meat packing Pork and lard Beef. Veal. Lamb and mutton.	141 150 144 114 68	150 164 147 127 77	153 168 148 139 80	158 181 146 134 83	155 184 133 129 85	154 183 132 133 81	157 185 137 125 86	154 174 146 108 85	151 168 146 105 77	160 184 150 108 76	157 182 144 104 74	144 161 142 98 71	147 165 141 108 79
Other manufactured foods Processed fruits and vegetables. Confectionery. Other food products.	175 173 116 185	168 139 108 185	174 151 134 187	176 137 142 191	175 149 132 189	168 134 127 183	167 132 140 181	169 142 139 181	169 136 139 183	173 152 136 184	171 *148 131 184	^p 173 151 	p173 p161
Alcoholic Beverages	169	165	172	174	167	187	173	169	159	r175	r169	172	184
Malt liquor. Whiskey Other distilled spirits Rectified liquors	161 60 277 267	171 42 200 246	169 44 292 257	166 69 182 314	143 72 194 369	171 77 149 390	172 83 228 240	170 88 259 205	159 r84 214 204	172 781 214 268	159 797 280 242	157 793 363 235	163 95 417 269
Tobacco Products	172	146	178	175	165	169	149	162	162	176	161	168	170
Cigars. Cigarettes. Other tobacco products.	117 233 69	101 196 61	111 242 78	125 231 76	123 217 72	120 226 67	88 205 66	97 224 69	102 222 67	97 248 72	91 224 67	93 237 63	106 233 68
Paper and Paper Products	143	129	155	169	176	177	167	179	178	179	181	180	184
Paper and pulp. Pulp. Groundwood pulp. Soda pulp. Sulphate pulp. Sulphite pulp. Paper.	138 159 94 80 275 122 134 164	126 147 99 87 256 104 122 142	148 171 99 99 302 124 144 184	160 179 104 102 315 133 157 203	168 192 104 112 340 144 164 206	168 191 91 113 336 145 165 210	160 180 98 107 312 138 157 193	171 198 93 118 354 148 167 209	171 201 98 117 360 149 167 205	172 198 94 113 350 152 169 203	174 204 97 121 365 153 170 207	r173 199 r99 119 r363 145 168 211	177 205 109 120 373 146 173 213
Fine paper ² Printing paper Tissue and absorbent paper Wrapping paper Newsprint Paperboard containers (same as Paperboard)	142 139 117 105	133 141 109 106	150 144 123 101	161 157 136 96	168 170 150 96	167 168 150 94	166 161 145 94	167 175 155 98	167 170 162 98	175 173 163 102	171 185 160 111	167 166 158 112	172 171 167 115
Printing and Publishing	149	144	151	159	165	160	159	163	168	169	169	166	170
Newsprint consumption Printing paper (same as shown under Paper)	156	156	151	156	162	153	152	159	169	163	168	165	168
Petroleum and Coal Products	202	198	203	208	198	205	219	211	205	207	206	216	p220
Petroleum refining ² . Gasoline Fuel oil. Lubricating oil Kerosene. Other petroleum products ² .	177 154 145 140	178 159 132 142	177 168 131 142	179 180 142 160	180 182 152 177	177 182 152 177	180 190 153 198	176 192 149 207	174 187 148 190	173 178 152 188	171 172 133 170	181 175 143 184	p188 p175
Coke	159 158 202	139 143 18	146 150 33	145 149 23	49 50 7	102 104 23	158 161 58	154 156 76	124 127 21	146 145 181	174 170 320	175 171 328	176 170 389
Chemical Products	233	228	229	236	240	243	245	248	247	247	252	256	P261
Paints. Rayon. Industrial chemicals Other chemical products ² .	134 249 404	133 252 392	137 257 388	139 276 405	143 294 414	143 316 417	141 335 422	144 349 419	147 355 424	147 352 428	147 349 434	147 350 444	p151 p350 p455
Rubber Products	178	175	178	174	192	187	193	194	195	197	r202	213	P220
Minerals—Total	133	123	129	119	112	141	132	130	118	144	140	145	p151
Fuels	135	126	134	122	120	152	136	133	118	148	147	148	P154
Coal. Bituminous coal. Anthracite. Crude petroleum.	99 104 78 153	83 80 93 147	102 108 82 149	58 60 50 154	49 31 118 156	130 133 117 163	95 103 63 157	91 96 69 154	43 38 65 155	141 149 108 152	131 143 83 155	r124 131 r97 160	128 136 94 2167
Metals	124	105	102	98	59	76	106	117	118	119	98	124	P136
Metals other than gold and silver	175	144	140	133	63	91	141	160	161	159	121	p166	p187
(Copper; Lead; Zinc) ² . Gold. Silver.	52 62	51 56	48 52	50 54	52 57	54 63	55 64	57 60	58 63	62 72	62 81		

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Note.—For description and back figures see Bulletin for October 1943, pp. 940-984, September 1941, pp. 878-881 and 933-937, and August 1940, pp. 753-771 and 825-882.

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(Without Seasonal Adjustment)

[Index numbers of the Board of Governors. 1935-39 average=100]

				1949						19	50		
Industry	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	Мау	June
Industrial Production—Total	170	163	174	178	169	174	178	179	177	183	188	195	p201
Manufacturers—Total	176	169	181	188	179	180	186	189	188	191	197	203	₽ 2 09
Durable Manufactures	195	186	194	200	176	181	201	206	204	210	221	232	p239
Iron and Steel 1	177	156	178	179	102	145	201	203	201	205	222	226	P229
Pig iron Steel Open hearth. Electric.	189 182 167 293	158 162 148 259	170 191 165 376	171 193 168 373	23 38 21 162	107 137 105 359	198 239 194 557	201 244 192 612	175 238 181 639	175 243 180 691	219 270 204 739	222 273 206 755	221 271 202 763
Machinery	225	217	216	224	226	217	227	229	236	243	251	259	P264
Transportation Equipment	240	249	246	252	238	206	211	242	210	214	7226	261	p279
Automobiles (including parts)(Aircraft; Railroad equipment; Shipbuilding—Private and Government) ²	211	225	225	231	216	175	181	224	182	189	r205	248	p271.
Nonferrous Metals and Products	133	127	141	157	164	164	+167	7180	7190	7201	198	197	p204
Smelting and refining	192	179	174	175	167	170	175	191	202	208	207	208	P218
Aluminum; Magnesium; Tin) ² . Fabricating	108	105	128	150	162	161	r163	ri76	7184	ri97	r194	192	p198
Lumber and Products	129	121	134	141	138	144	145	130	138	147	158	162	P165
Lumber. Furniture.	124 139	113 136	126 148	132 158	125 165	134 163	132 170	111 166	119 173	133 176	150 175	155 175	₽160 ₽175
Stone, Clay, and Glass Products	188	187	190	191	193	188	181	179	179	7180	198	209	P214
Glass products. Glass containers Cement Clay products. Other stone and clay products ²	204 209 151	196 214 209 140	197 212 207 149	188 199 219 151	197 210 211 154	186 195 206 153	172 177 187 154	191 202 168 147	191 201 160 150	191 201 157 r151	209 222 207 155	222 238 221 161	P218 232 P229 P164
Nondurable Manufactures	l	156	170	178	181	178	175	175	176	177	178	180	p184
Textiles and Products	i	120	140	155	169	175	173	178	179	173	174	175	p173
Textile fabrics. Cotton consumption. Rayon deliveries Nylon and silk consumption ² .	116 105 217	107 87 238	127 111 259	140 127 294	153 134 318	157 138 340	154 134 350	160 144 355	162 144 357	156 138 350	157 139 348	158 140 7347	p156 132 349
Wool textiles. Carpet wool consumption. Apparel wool consumption. Woolen and worsted yarn. Woolen yarn. Worsted yarn. Worsted yarn. Woolen dand worsted loth.	120 127 110 115 118 111	109 91 109 108 113 102 118	134 141 134 129 132 126 136	139 148 138 135 128 145 140	161 178 158 154 141 174 163	158 186 140 144 135 158 166	151 193 136 133 119 153 159	154 215 147 131 119 148 156	159 215 163 140 122 165 156	152 210 153 134 116 161 146	154 222 *143 134 119 156 149	157 216 149 140 127 158 153	
Leather and Products	104	94	110	114	108	98	101	108	118	115	110	102	
Leather tanning. Cattle hide leathers Calf and kip leathers Goat and kid leathers. Sheep and lamb leathers Shoes.	105 76 81	80 92 55 70 65 104	90 101 72 70 81 123	98 110 76 84 86 125	99 107 83 85 93 115	95 105 78 77 91 101	99 111 86 79 72 103	96 105 84 85 74 116	109 120 89 92 100 124	97 108 75 90 79 128	101 112 80 86 95 115	94 104 72 86 87 106	
Manufactured Food Products	165	172	189	190	177	162	156	149	146	148	150	157	P164
Wheat flour Cane sugar meltings ² . Manufactured dairy products. Butter Cheese. Canned and dried milk Ice cream ² .	223 112 250 230	222 96 210 201	108 197 90 191 177	120 159 83 171 146	118 121 72 146 113	111 97 65 132 97	104 96 67 132 109	95 71 137 109	113 107 76 149 129	109 128 85 172 155	101 159 93 203 175	103 199 109 235 215	226 122 262 228

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INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION, BY INDUSTRIES—Continued (Without Seasonal Adjustment)

[Index numbers of the Board of Governors. 1935-39 average=100]

	1			1949	<u>.</u>					19	50		
Industry	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June
Manufactured Food Products—Continued								-					
Meat packing Pork and lard Beef. Veal Lamb and mutton.	142	140 144 149 127 74	134 129 149 136 78	145 143 158 148 89	155 173 145 147 88	172 214 137 142 81	186 244 137 118 84	183 229 149 100 90	144 165 135 92 78	148 171 137 101 74	145 166 136 102 72	144 161 142 102 73	146 165 138 108 73
Other manufactured foods. Processed fruits and vegetables. Confectionery. Other food products.	165 133 86 187	176 181 89 189	203 287 144 191	207 267 184 195	194 193 172 198	175 123 150 193	165 103 141 184	155 92 143 173	154 86 140 174	154 *83 126 177	153 91 108 •177	^p 157 98 	P164 P124 P186
Alcoholic Beverages	190	188	179	179	180	171	151	143	7143	162	168	177	202
Malt liquor Whiskey Other distilled spirits Rectified liquors.	203 60 172 267	213 42 116 246	192 44 158 257	168 69 249 314	133 72 503 369	132 77 312 390	138 83 250 240	139 88 168 205	144 784 128 204	160 781 139 268	167 197 168 242	179 *93 218 235	205 95 258 269
Tobacco Products	179	152	184	185	171	172	138	162	154	167	152	168	176
Cigars	117 245 71	101 206 61	111 254 75	125 247 81	123 225 77	120 231 69	88 188 58	97 224 68	102 209 65	97 230 72	91 209 67	93 237 64	106 245 69
Paper and Paper Products:	143	128	155	169	176	177	167	178	179	179	182	181	185
Paper and pulp Pulp Groundwood pulp Soda pulp Sulphate pulp Sulphite pulp Paper Paper board	138 159 95 80 275 122 135 164	125 145 88 87 256 104 122 142	148 169 87 99 302 124 144 184	160 177 93 102 315 133 157 203	168 191 97 112 340 144 164 206	168 191 97 113 336 145 165 210	160 180 99 107 312 138 157 193	171 198 97 118 354 148 166 209	172 201 102 117 360 149 168 205	173 199 101 113 350 152 169 203	175 205 107 121 365 153 170 207	173 201 106 119 7363 145 168 211	178 205 110 120 373 146
Fine paper ² Printing paper Tissue and absorbent paper Wrapping paper Newsprint Paperboard containers (same as Paperboard)	142 141 117 106	133 136 109 104	150 144 123 100	161 157 136 96	168 172 150 96	167 168 150 95	166 156 145 92	167 173 155 98	167 177 162 98	175 173 163 102	171 187 160 113	167 166 158 113	172 174 167 116
Printing and Publishing	148	133	143	159	169	167	162	157	166	172	174	169	169
Newsprint consumption Printing paper (same as shown under Paper)	155	134	136	157	171	167	159	147	166	170	178	172	166
Petroleum and Coal Products	202	198	203	208	198	205	219	211	205	207	206	216	₽220
Petroleum refining ² . Gasoline Fuel oil Lubricating oil. Kerosene Other petroleum products ² .	177 154 145 132	178 159 131 132	177 168 129 136	179 180 142 159	180 182 152 177	177 182 152 182	180 190 151 204	176 192 145 212	174 187 146 199	173 178 150 192	171 172 139 174	181 175 149 186	#188 #175
Coke. By-product coke. Beehive coke.	159 158 202	139 143 18	146 150 33	145 149 23	49 50 7	102 104 23	158 161 58	154 156 76	124 127 21	146 145 181	174 170 320	175 171 r328	176 170 389
Chemical Products	230	225	226	238	245	247	249	249	250	250	253	255	₽259
Paints. Rayon. Industrial chemicals. Other chemical products ² .	138 249 404	132 252 392	135 257 388	138 276 405	143 294 414	141 316 417	141 335 422	141 349 419	146 355 424	147 352 428	148 349 434	151 350 444	p156 p350 p455
Rubber Products	178	175	178	174	192	187	193	194	195	197	7202	213	p220
MineralsTotal	i	128	134	123	112	141	128	125	113	139	138	147	p155
Fuels. Coal. Bituminous coal. Anthracite. Crude petroleum.	99 104 78 153	83 80 93 147	102 108 82 149	58 60 50 154	120 49 31 118 156	130 133 117 163	95 103 63 157	91 96 69 154	118 43 38 65 155	141 149 108 152	131 143 83 155	148 124 131 197 160	128 136 94 1167
Metals	1	140	135	128	63	76	81	80	81	83	87	139	p162
Metals other than gold and silver	222 340	204 324	196 305	179 267	64 18	87 54	98 72	98 71	100 64	101 63	105	₽197	P234 P347
(Copper; Lead; Zinc) ²	49	50 55	53 51	57 55	61 57	62 64	57 64	54 61	52 65	55 74	55 82		

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Note.—For description and back figures see Bulletin for October 1943, pp. 940-984, September 1941, pp. 878-881 and 933-937, and August 1940, pp. 753-771 and 825-882.

FACTORY EMPLOYMENT, BY INDUSTRIES

[Unadjusted, estimates of Bureau of Labor Statistics. Adjusted, Board of Governors] [Thousands of persons]

				1949						19	50		
Industry group or industry	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	Мау	June
ADJUSTED FOR SEASONAL VARIATION													
Manufacturing—Total	11,459	11,378	11,439	11,578	11,188	11,180	11,390	11,482	11,482	⁷ 11,570	⁷ 11,723	12,050	12,163
Durable goods	6,041	5,978	5,985	6,046	5,620	5,690	5,906	5,988	5,968		76,195	6,487	6,606
Primary metal industries	976	948 688	937 698	938 708	556 674	739 663	946 678	958 686	973 691	977 702	1,007 717	1,035 748	1,044 772
Fabricated metal products Machinery except electrical	686 972	948	936	940	927	913	924	932	955	976	r998	1,016	1,027
Electrical machinery	521 998	521 1,014	517 1,012	534 1,010	543 983	538 898	551 890	555 978	567 872	574 879	r596 r897	612 1,044	625 1,076
Lumber and wood products	679	669	669	677	686	692	685	652	665 294	684 298	700 305	724 309	744 305
Furniture and fixtures	261 407	261 406	266 410	276 412	280 409	279 409	285 410	286 405	410		7419	435	441
Instruments and related prod- ucts	178	176	170	171	172	172	170	172	170	171	174	177	181
Miscellaneous manufacturing in-		328	352		372	370	350	347	354	r 357	r364	368	372
dustries Ordnance and accessories	342 21	19	18	362 18	18	17	17	17	17	18	18	19	19
Nondurable goods	5,418	5,400	5,454	5,532	5,568	5,490	5,484	5,494	5,514	r5,524	5,528	5,563	5,557
Textile-mill products	1,083	1,096	1,114	1,143	1,168	1,172	1,169	1,165	1,166	1,166	1,166	1,169	1,172
tiles	999	992	1,030	1,061	1,051	1,023	1,020	1,022	1,034	1,027	1,023	1,023	1,019
Leather and leather products Food and kindred products	348 1,186	349 1,175	354 1,165	352 1,173	347 1,180	330 1,149	340 1,145	345 1,160	350 1,157	350 1,167	341 1,172	348 1,182	351 1,162
Tobacco manufactures Paper and allied products	89 373	88 374	88 375	87 386	84 390	84 389	85 384	85 381	81 382	80 385	80 391	82 39 6	80 401
Printing, publishing and allied			- 1			495	494	491	493	r496	r 49 8	499	502
industries	496 473	· 492 467	491 470	497 480	495 483	478	477	473	478	480	488	490	490
Products of petroleum and coal. Rubber products	187 184	185 182	185 182	186 167	185 185	188 182	187 183	187 185	186 187	185 188	179 190	177 197	180 200
WITHOUT SEASONAL ADJUSTMENT	101	102	102	10.									
Manufacturing—Total	11,337	11,211	11,561	11,775	11,368	11,289	11,504	11,449	11,460	⁷ 11,549	⁷ 11,596	11,837	12,039
Durable goods	6,022	5,894	5,947	6,060	5,651	5,719	5,961	6,000	5,982	6,070	76,196	6,450	6,585
Primary Metal Industries Blast furnaces, steel works	971	934	932	938	559	743	955	963	978	982	1,007	1,025	1,039
and rolling mills	523	506	498	499	131	325	507	511	512	r 507	523ء	530	
Nonferrous smelting and re- fining, primary	45	42	41	42	39	38	41	43	45	r4 5	r 4 5	46	
Nonferrous rolling, drawing and alloying	64	62	64	67	70	63	73	74	75	77	77	79	
Fabricated Metal Products	679	671	688	708	677	666	688	693	698	709	721	741	764
Cutlery, hand tools and hardware	114	109	111	114	116	116	119	121	124	128	129	131	
Heating apparatus and plumbers' supplies	94	92	100	110	116	113	111	108	112	114	118	119	
Fabricated structural metal			}				142	141	141	143	146	148	
products	156 <i>977</i>	155 939	155 927	156 935	129 <i>922</i>	134 908	929	937	960	981	1,003	1,021	1,032
Agricultural machinery and		140	140	140	128	125	131	133	137	r140	142	141	
tractors	145 156	150	147	149	148	146	146	147	149	152	156		
Special-industry machin-	129	124	123	122	119	117	117	117	118	119	121	123	
Service-industry and house- hold machines	105	99	98	102	108	109	119	124	133	138	r143	149	
Electrical Machinery	518	505	507	531	<i>548</i>	546	559	561	573	580	r596	606	622
Electrical apparatus (gen- erating, etc.)	200	196	197	201	203	202	208	208	211	-2 13	217	222	
Communication equipment.	181	176	173	182	193	200	201	203	207	r212	7218	220	
Transportation Equipment Motor vehicles and equip-	995	1,014	998	1,017	986	898	896	978	872	879	1900	1,041	1,073
ment	646 187	670 192	678 185	686 191	666 188	582 184	585 184	675 184	567 184	576 184	7596 185	731 186	
Ship and boat building and		ĺ							68	67	67		
repairing Lumber and Wood Products	88 686	86 676	80 686	74 684	69 689	71 692	69 682	66 642	652	677	693	67 724	751
Sawmills and planing mills	410	407	415	416	414	413	404	381	386	r399	r411	432	
Millwork, plywood, etc	94 257	92 253	95 263	95 <i>277</i>	98 284	101 283	102 289	102 289	101 297	102 301	105 <i>303</i>	303	300
Furniture and Fixtures Household furniture	181	179	187	199	206	207	211	212	218	221	222	222	
Stone, Clay, and Glass Products	409	400	412	414	411 108	411 108	412 107	403 106	408 108	410 109	r419 113	433 116	443
Glass and glass products Structural clay products	105 73	101 72	107 72	107 72	71	70	71	69	68	69	69	74	
Instruments and Related Products.	176	170	169	172	174	174	173	172	171	172	174	176	179
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Miscellaneous Manufacturing In- dustries	333	313	347	366	383	381	361	345	356	r361	r362	361	363

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Note.—Factory employment covers production and related workers only; data shown include all full- and part-time production and related workers who worked during, or received pay for, the pay period ending nearest the 15th of the month.

Figures for June 1950 are preliminary. Back data and data for industries not shown, without seasonal adjustment, may be obtained from the Bureau of Labor Statistics. Back data, seasonally adjusted, for groups and the total may be obtained from the Division of Research and Statistics.

FACTORY EMPLOYMENT, BY INDUSTRIES-Continued

[Unadjusted, estimates of Bureau of Labor Statistics. Adjusted, Board of Governors] [Thousands of persons]

	1949							1950					
Industry group or industry	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June
Nondurable goods	5,315	5,317	5,614	5,715	5,717	5,570	5,543	5,449	5,478	r5,479	⁷ 5,400	5,387	5,454
Textile-mill Products Yarn and thread milis Broad-woven fabric mills Knitting mills	1,083 132 525 203	1,058 127 518 200	1,092 133 530 211	1,132 140 547 219	1,168 144 565 227	1,184 147 572 230	1,187 149 574 227	1,177 149 568 223	1,183 149 571 223	1,183 149 574 221	1,172 145 573 218	1,163 143 573 213	1,172
Apparel and Other Finished Textiles	959 122	942 116	1,040	133	129	118	127	130	135	r136	132	977 129	978
Men's and boys' furnishings Women's and misses' outerwear	236 258	221 263	235 306	246 319	308	251 280	247 296	241 302	244 315	245 305	241 271		
Leather and Leather Products	339 223	<i>342</i> 226	356 234	354 230	349 224	<i>332</i> 208	343 224	<i>348</i> 231	357 235	357 235	341 222	<i>336</i> 218	342
Food and Kindred Products. Meat products. Dairy products Canning and preserving. Bakery products. Beverage industries.	1,153 226 122 169 192 152	1,224 227 122 220 191 169	1,350 229 116 339 194 165	1,340 230 110 322 196 157	1,273 236 104 232 199 149	1,185 242 99 160 195 146	1,139 251 96 136 190 141	1,078 244 95 117 186 135	232 97 110 188	1,060 r228 99 r109 r190 139	1,065 r223 103 r120 r191 141	227 108 127 193	1,132
Tobacco Manufactures	84	82	91	94	92	89	87	85	81	78	76	76	75
Paper and Allied ProductsPulp, paper and paperboard mills	369 192	<i>365</i> 188	<i>371</i> 191	384 197	<i>392</i> 200	<i>393</i> 201	<i>390</i> 200	<i>385</i> 199	386 200	389 200	391 201	<i>392</i> 202	
Printing, Publishing and Allied Industries	494 142 164	485 141 162	486 141 161	495 144 162	500 144 166	500 145 165	501 145 168	493 142 167	145	7496 7146 165	7496 7147 165	<i>49</i> 7 149 164	
Chemicals and Allied Products. Industrial inorganic chemicals Industrial organic chemicals Drugs and medicines.	464 52 139 60	453 51 136 59		478 50 140 61	488 52 141 62	485 51 143 62	484 51 144 62	480 50 144 62	52	487 52 145 58	490 53 146 61	485 54 148 61	
Products of Petroleum and Coal Petroleum refining	189 150	189 150		189 149	185 148	188 148	185 146	184 145		182 143	176 136	177 136	182
Rubber Products	181 86	177 82	180 81	167 64	187 81	186 81	187 82	187 83	188 83	189 83	190 84	<i>194</i> 86	

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HOURS AND EARNINGS OF FACTORY EMPLOYEES

[Compiled by Bureau of Labor Statistics]

	Ave	rage wee (dollars p	kly earn er week)	ings	Average hours worked (per week)				Average hourly earnings (dollars per hour)			
Industry group	1949 1950			1949 1950				1949	1949		1950	
	June	Apr.	May	June	June	Apr.	Мау	June	June	Apr.	May	June
Manufacturing—Total	54.51	56.93	57.72	58.89	38.8	39,7	40.0	40.5	1.405	1.434	1.443	1.454
Durable goods	57.82	760.97	61.72	63.14	39.2	r40.7	40.9	41.4	1.475	1.498	1.509	1.525
Primary metal industries. Fabricated metal products. Machinery except electrical. Electrical machinery. Transportation equipment. Lumber and wood products. Furniture and fixtures. Stone, clay, and glass products. Instruments and related products. Miscellaneous manufacturing industries. Ordnance and accessories.	59.82 57.39 59.94 56.16 65.49 52.91 48.36 53.58 54.61 49.72 58.72	65.04 r60.52 64.33 r58.85 r70.38 r53.36 r51.67 r56.56 r57.26 r51.86 61.43	65.61 60.77 65.13 59.43 69.79 54.51 51.42 57.32 57.99 52.64 61.54	67.44 62.14 66.13 58.62 72.97 n.a. 52.08 58.40 58.56 52.14 61.92	37.6 39.2 39.2 39.0 39.5 40.7 39.0 39.4 39.2 39.4	40.4 r40.7 41.0 r40.7 r41.3 40.7 41.3 r40.4 39.9 40.2 40.6	40.5 40.7 41.3 40.9 41.1 40.8 41.2 40.8 40.3 40.4	41.2 41.4 41.8 40.4 42.5 n.a. 41.4 41.3 40.5 40.2	1.591 1.464 1.529 1.440 1.658 1.300 1.240 1.360 1.393 1.262 1.479	1.610 71.487 1.569 71.446 71.704 71.311 71.251 1.400 71.435 71.290 1.513	1.620 1.493 1.577 1.453 1.698 1.336 1.248 1.405 1.439 1.303 1.512	1.637 1.501 1.582 1.451 1.717 n.a. 1.258 1.414 1.446 1.297 1.529
Nondurable goods	50.97	r52.21	52.87	53.74	38.5	38.5	38.9	39.4	1.324	r1.356	1.359	1.364
Textile-mill products. Apparel and other finished products. Leather and leather products. Food and kindred products. Tobacco manufactures. Paper and allied products. Printing, publishing and allied industries. Chemicals and allied products. Products of petroleum and coal. Rubber products.	42.98 40.11 41.46 53.62 38.57 54.54 70.47 59.08 71.84 58.29	45.51 r40.87 r42.07 r54.18 r38.59 r58.25 r72.18 r60.52 r73.73 r61.80	45.63 41.30 41.68 55.02 39.56 58.08 72.68 61.22 73.32 64.40	46.59 41.81 43.92 56.27 41.42 59.94 72.38 62.71 74.86 n.a.	36.3 35.4 36.5 41.6 38.0 40.7 38.7 40.8 40.2 38.2	37.8 35.2 735.9 40.4 35.5 42.3 38.6 41.2 40.8 40.0	37.9 35.7 35.5 41.0 36.6 42.3 38.7 41.2 40.6 41.1	38.6 35.8 37.6 41.9 38.0 43.0 38.6 41.5 41.2 n.a.	1.184 1.133 1.136 1.289 1.015 1.340 1.821 1.448 1.787 1.526	1.204 1.161 1.172 1.341 1.087 1.377 1.870 1.469 1.807 1.545	1.204 1.157 1.174 1.342 1.081 1.373 1.878 1.486 1.806	1.207 1.168 1.168 1.343 1.090 1.394 1.875 1.511 1.817 n.a.

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Note.—Data are for production and related workers. Figures for June 1950 are preliminary. Back data are available from the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL ESTABLISHMENTS, BY INDUSTRY DIVISION

[Unadjusted, estimates of Bureau of Labor Statistics. Adjusted, Board of Governors] [Thousands of persons]

Federal. Transporta State, and local tion and public Manufac-Contract Trade 1 Finance Service 1 Mining Year or month Total turing construction utilities government 36,164 39,697 42,042 41,480 40,069 41,412 43,371 44,201 43,006 12,974 15,051 17,381 17,111 15,302 14,461 15,247 15,286 1,790 2,170 1,567 1,094 1,132 1,661 1,982 3,248 3,433 3,619 3,798 3,872 4,023 7,567 7,481 7,322 7,399 7,685 8,815 9,196 1,462 1,440 1,401 1,374 1,394 1,586 1,641 1,716 1,763 3,554 3,708 3,786 3,795 3,891 4,408 4,786 4,799 4,781 4,622 5,431 6,049 6,026 5,967 5,607 5,454 1941..... 1942.... 983 917 1942. 1943. 1944. 1945. 826 1946..... 1947..... 4,122 4,151 3,977 943 1948..... 1949..... 981 932 2,165 2,156 9,491 9,438 5,613 5,813 14.146 SEASONALLY ADJUSTED 42,896 42,711 42,864 43,068 42,163 42,385 42,710 14,007 13,917 13,979 14,108 13,706 13,695 13,922 2,100 2,128 2,167 2,188 2,203 2,200 2,131 1,756 1,754 1,762 1,780 1,785 1,784 1,788 4,786 4,779 4,788 4,785 4,770 4,768 4,762 5,823 5,846 5,852 5,872 5,845 5,820 5,811 4,003 3,968 3,947 3,939 9,456 9,383 9,420 9,453 9,386 9,306 9,426 965 936 949 943 591 917 940 3,877 3,895 3,930 October..... November..... December..... 2,109 2,091 r2,096 r2,154 2,212 2,283 9,337 9,323 r9,341 r9,424 9,465 9,517 4,748 4,768 74,780 74,781 4,792 4,781 5,784 5,779 5,776 5,915 5,869 14,016 14,021 714,130 714,302 1,781 1,786 1,791 1,794 1,803 42,544 42,246 742,764 743,258 -January..... February..... 867 3,902 1950-3,902 3,874 3,906 *3,947 3,890 3,972 604 r944 r941 March.... 43,608 43,920 14,638 14,771 939 1,807 June...... UNADJUSTED 42,835 42,573 42,994 43,466 42,601 42,784 43,694 13,884 13,757 14,114 14,312 13,892 13,807 2,205 2,277 2,340 2,341 2,313 2,244 4,031 4,007 3,992 3,959 3,871 3,892 3,930 9,336 9,220 9,213 9,409 9,505 9,607 10,156 1,774 1,780 1,780 1,771 1,767 1,766 1,770 4,834 4,851 4,836 4,833 4,794 4,768 4,738 5,803 5,738 5,763 5,893 5,866 5,783 968 943 956 948 593 December..... 5,777 5,742 5,769 75,915 5,900 1,772 1,777 71,791 1950—January..... February..... March. 861 595 42,125 13,980 1,919 3,869 9,246 4,701 9,246 9,152 r9,206 r9,338 9,333 41,661 *42,295 *42,913 13,997 714,103 714,167 14,416 3,841 3,873 73,927 4,696 r4,708 r4,757 4,792 4,829 1,861 1,907 2,068 2,234 1938 r938 938 1,803 1,812

43.312

43,865

14,645

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Note.—Data include all full- and part-time employees who worked during, or received pay for, the pay period ending nearest the 15th of the month. Proprietors, self-employed persons, domestic servants, and personnel of the armed forces are excluded. June 1950 figures are preliminary. Back unadjusted data are available from the Bureau of Labor Statistics; seasonally adjusted figures beginning January 1939 may be obtained from the Division of Research and Statistics.

LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT, AND UNEMPLOYMENT

[Bureau of the Census estimates without seasonal adjustment. Thousands of persons 14 years of age and overl

					Civilian labor force			
Year or month	Total non- institutional	Total labor			Employed 1			Not in the
	population	force	Total	Total	In nonagricul- tural industries	In agriculture	Unem- ployed	,
1942 1943 1944 1945 1946 1947 1948 1949 1949—June July August September October November December. 1950—January February March April May June	103,510 104,480 105,370 106,370 107,458 108,482 109,623 109,547 109,664 109,760 109,860 109,975 110,063 110,169 110,256 110,344 110,442 110,536 110,608	60,230 64,410 65,890 65,140 60,820 61,608 62,748 63,571 64,866 65,278 65,105 64,222 64,021 64,363 63,475 62,835 63,003 63,003 63,01 64,108 66,177	56,410 55,540 54,630 53,860 57,520 60,168 61,442 62,105 63,815 63,815 63,637 62,763 62,763 62,927 62,045 61,427 61,637 61,675 62,183 62,788 64,866	53,750 54,470 53,960 52,250 55,250 58,027 59,378 58,710 59,619 59,720 59,947 59,411 59,011 59,518 58,556 56,947 56,953 57,551 58,668 59,731 61,482	44,500 45,390 45,010 44,240 46,930 49,761 51,405 50,684 49,924 50,073 51,441 51,254 51,290 51,640 51,783 50,749 50,730 50,877 51,473 51,669 52,436	9,250 9,080 8,950 8,580 8,320 8,266 7,973 8,026 9,647 8,507 8,158 7,710 7,878 6,773 6,198 6,223 6,675 7,195 8,062 9,046	2,660 1,070 670 1,040 2,270 2,142 2,064 3,395 3,778 4,095 3,689 3,351 3,576 3,409 3,489 4,480 4,684 4,123 3,515 3,057 3,384	42,230 39,100 38,590 40,230 45,550 45,733 46,051 44,683 44,683 44,655 45,638 45,953 45,701 46,694 47,420 47,420 47,342 47,420 47,342 47,024 46,500 44,526

¹ Includes self-employed, unpaid family, and domestic service workers.

Note.—Details do not necessarily add to group totals. Information on the labor force status of the population is obtained through interviews of households on a sample basis. Data relate to the calendar week that contains the eighth day of the month. Back data are available from the Bureau of the Census.

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¹ Data for the trade and service divisions, beginning with January 1947, are not entirely comparable with data shown for the earlier period because of the shift of automotive repair services (230,000 employees in January 1947) from trade to services.

CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS AWARDED, BY TYPE OF CONSTRUCTION

[Figures for 37 States east of the Rocky Mountains, as reported by the F. W. Dodge Corporation. Value of contracts in millions of dollars]

			Resid	ential				Public works						
Month	10	tal	buile	ding	Fact	ories	Comn	nercial	Educa	tional	Ot	her	and p utili	
	1949	1950	1949	1950	1949	1950	1949	1950	1949	1950	1949	1950	1949	1950
January. February. March. April. May. June. July. August. September. October. November. December.	568.5 747.6 845.9 885.4 949.9 947.8 911.0 1,071.7 1,061.8	779.5 1,300.2 1,350.5 1,347.6	193.1 251.8 307.2 351.3 375.0 344.8 398.7 503.5 500.7 435.2	674.8	37.8 66.2 43.8 51.5 45.4 41.5 41.1 38.0 48.9 35.9	27.9 161.5 119.2	58.8 88.4 92.0 68.5 70.9 73.4 64.4 103.9 82.8 58.6	58.3 88.6 106.8 96.4	44.7 60.4 68.4 76.0 81.4 91.2 72.9 78.6 83.6 62.3	97.0 100.2	80.6 112.4 112.2 124.6 138.3 144.2 99.6 124.5 141.8 109.3	121.4 154.3 125.6	153.5 168.4 222.4 213.5 239.0 252.7 234.3 223.1 204.0 256.4	152.5 224.9 227.0 264.5
Year	10,359.3		4,239.4		558.6		885.0		824.4		1,375.9	ļ	2,476 0	· · · · · ·

CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS AWARDED, BY OWNERSHIP

[Figures for 37 States east of the Rocky Mountains, as reported by the F. W. Dodge Corporation. Value of contracts in millions of dollars]

Month		Total		Publi	c owne	rship	Private ownership			
Month	1948	1949	1950	1948	1949	1950	1948	1949	1950	
January February March April May June July August September October November	682 690 874 971 935 963 854 762 779 611	568 748 846 885 950 948 911 1,072 1,062	780 1,300 1,350 1,348 1,345	236 298 338 335 276 259 262 199	252 282 319 369 375 410 316 289 332 316	285 481 354 389 428	673 597 628 579 503 517 413	317 466 527 517 574 537 595 783 730 642		
December	694	929		278	299	<u> </u>	416	630		
Year	9,430	10,359		3,107	3,718		6,323	6,641		

LOANS INSURED BY FEDERAL HOUSING ADMINISTRATION [In millions of dollars]

		Title l	loans	M	ortgages	on
Year or month	Total	Property improvement 1	Small home con- struc- tion	1- to 4- family houses (Title II)	Rental and group housing (Title II)	War and Vet- erans' housing (Title VI) ²
1941 1942 1943 1944 1945 1946 1947 1948 1949	1,172 1,137 935 875 666 755 1,787 3,338 43,821	249 141 87 114 171 321 534 614 594	21 15 1 (8) (8) (7) 13 (8)	877 691 245 216 219 347 446 880 1,855	13 6 (8) 7 4 3 7	13 284 603 537 272 85 808 1,836 1,339
1949—June	382 317 356 383 4323 4371 4337 4329 4353 4329 4351 4376	49 40 55 60 65 58 71 57 44 27 48 78	1 3 2 2 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	151 143 172 163 188 189 206 228 203 209 171 176 181	(*) (*)	181 134 126 84 128 67 90 51 73 88 122 110 113

¹ Net proceeds to borrowers. ² Mortgages insured under War Housing Title VI through April 1946; figures thereafter represent mainly mortgages insured under the Veterans' Housing Title VI (approved May 22, 1946) but include a few refinanced mortgages originally written under the War Housing Title VI. Beginning with December 1947, figures include mortgages insured in connection with sale of Government owned war housing, and beginning with February 1948 include insured loans to finance the manufacture of housing. ² Less than \$500,000.
⁴ Includes mortgages insured on new rental housing at or near military installations under Title VIII, enacted Aug. 8, 1949.

Note.—Figures represent gross insurance written during the period and do not take account of principal repayments on previously insured loans. Figures include some reinsured mortgages, which are shown in the month in which they were reported by FHA. Reinsured mortgages on rental and group housing (Title II) are not necessarily shown in the month in which reinsurance took place.

CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS AWARDED, BY DISTRICT

[Figures for 37 States east of the Rocky Mountains, as reported by the F. W. Dodge Corporation. Value of contracts in thousands of dollars]

Federal Reserve district	19	50	1949
rederal Reserve district	June	May	June
Boston. New York. Philadelphia Cleveland Richmond Atlanta Chicago. St. Louis. Minneapolis Kansas City Dallas. Total (11 districts).	95,543 205,642 67,448 147,611 119,058 139,339 264,888 80,299 72,999 59,219 93,417 1,345,463	71,632 237,676 57,904 137,553 129,857 163,445 254,766 89,816 51,149 54,001 99,804	53,361 159,229 43,489 87,761 97,524 121,764 165,363 74,223 40,737 40,748 66,177

INSURED FHA HOME MORTGAGES (TITLE II) HELD IN PORTFOLIO, BY CLASS OF INSTITUTION

[In millions of dollars]

End of month	Total	Com- mer- cial banks	Mu- tual sav- ings banks	Sav- ings and loan associ- ations	Insur- ance com- panies	eral agen-	Other ²
1942—Dec	3,107 3,620 3,399 3,324 3,156 3,102 2,946 2,860 2,871 2,988 3,237 3,894	228 430 634 932 1,162 1,465 1,705 1,705 1,506 1,488 1,429 1,386 1,379 1,422 1,422 1,587 1,587	8 27 38 71 130 186 236 256 260 265 263 260 252 245 244 251 305 378	56 110 149 192 224 254 276 292 269 264 253 247 233 229 232 245 269	41 118 212 342 789 1,032 1,134 1,072 1,047 1,000 974 917 889 899 873 1,113 1,431 1,828	5 32 77 153 201 234 245 79 68 43 13 11 9	27 53 90 133 150 179 163 159 140 134 122 106 102 110 110 152 227 305

¹The RFC Mortgage Company, the Federal National Mortgage Association, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, and the United States Housing Corporation. ²Including mortgage companies, finance companies, industrial banks, endowed institutions, private and State benefit funds, etc.

NOTE.—Figures represent gross amount of mortgages held, excluding terminated mortgages and cases in transit to or being audited at the Federal Housing Administration.

MERCHANDISE EXPORTS AND IMPORTS

[In millions of dollars]

Merchandise exports 1					Merch	andise in	ports 2		Excess of exports						
Month	1946	1947	1948	1949	1950	1946	1947	1948	1949	1950	1946	1947	1948	1949	1950
January February March	798 670 815	1,114 1,146 1,326	1,092 1,085 1,139	1,104 1,043 71,189	₽746 ₽773 ₽868	394 318 385	531 437 445	547 589 675	590 567 633	p623 p600 p664	405 352 431	583 709 882	545 496 464	515 477 +557	#122 #173 #204
April May June	757 851 878	1,294 1,414 1,235	1,121 1,103 1,014	71,172 71,095 1,107	P810 P825 P876	406 393 382	512 474 463	532 554 625	535 541 526	p583 p659 p686	351 457 496	782 940 772	590 549 389	7638 7554 581	#227 #166 #190
July August September	826 883 643	1,155 1,145 1,112	1,019 992 926	₽900 ₽883 ₽909		431 422 377	450 400 473	564 606 560	9457 9491 9530		395 461 266	705 745 639	456 386 365	p443 p393 p379	
October November December	537 986 1,097	1,235 1,141 1,114	1,023 823 1,318	9853 9841 9944		394 478 529	492 455 603	600 554 720	₱557 ₱593 ₱605		142 508 567	743 687 511	423 269 598	#296 #248 #339	
JanJune	4,769	7,529	6,553	6,711	p4,898	2,277	2,861	3,520	3,390	₽3,815	2,492	4,668	3,033	3,321	p1,082

FREIGHT CARLOADINGS, BY CLASSES

[Index numbers, 1935-39 average = 100]

			,						
	Total	Coal	Coke	Grain	Live- stock	For- est prod- ucts	Ore	Mis- cel- lane- ous	Mer- chan- dise l.c.l.
Annual 1939 1940 1941 1942 1943 1944 1945 1946 1947 1948 1949 SEASONALLY	101 109 130 138 137 140 135 132 143 138 116	98 111 123 135 138 143 134 130 147 141	102 137 168 181 186 185 172 146 182 184 145	107 101 112 120 146 139 151 138 150 136 142	96 96 91 104 117 124 125 129 107 88 77	100 114 139 155 141 143 129 143 153 149 123	110 147 183 206 192 180 169 136 181 184	101 110 136 146 145 147 142 139 148 146 127	97 96 100 69 63 67 69 78 75 68 57
ADJUSTED 1949—May June July August September October November December	7114 110	130 98 79 103 60 42 131 97	173 150 118 123 130 54 96 148	150 156 177 138 125 153 152 131	73 70 70 77 79 85 75 72	123 122 117 125 121 124 137 134	215 182 177 160 145 28 42 146	126 122 120 127 125 111 119 127	59 58 55 57 52 54 54 52
1950—January February March April. May June	117 104 127 126 122 127	97 46 139 123 119 116	151 122 143 181 181 192	119 113 126 131 127 130	70 65 67 68 66 61	118 119 123 129 134 144	169 156 134 121 121 179	133 130 134 137 133 138	52 52 53 53 51 52
UNADJUSTED 1949—May June June July August September October November December	125 119 115 120 114 99 120 107	130 98 79 103 60 42 131 97	171 147 115 119 128 53 96 155	132 159 212 149 140 153 149 123	66 54 60 73 104 131 95 69	128 127 117 131 130 131 135 119	267 282 284 240 218 35 51 45	127 126 121 128 135 121 124 120	59 57 55 57 55 56 55 50
1950—January February March April May June	107 96 120 122 125 131	97 46 139 123 119 116	158 130 144 177 179 188	119 111 116 115 112 133	68 52 53 61 59 51	106 115 123 129 139 150	42 39 39 63 217 277	122 122 127 135 135 142	49 51 54 54 51 52

Note.—For description and back data, see Bulletin for June 1941, pp. 529-533. Based on daily average loadings. Basic data compiled by Association of American Railroads. Total index compiled by combining indexes for classes with weights derived from revenue data of the Interstate Commerce Commission.

REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND INCOME OF CLASS I RAILROADS

[In millions of dollars]

	·			
	Total railway operating revenues	Total railway expenses	Net railway operating income	Net income
Annual 1939 1940 1941 1942 1943 1944 1945 1946 1947 1948 1949 SEASONALLY ADJUSTED	3,995	3,406	589	93
	4,297	3,614	682	189
	5,347	4,348	998	500
	7,466	5,982	1,485	902
	9,055	7,695	1,360	873
	9,437	8,331	1,106	667
	8,902	8,047	852	450
	7,628	7,009	620	287
	8,685	7,904	781	479
	9,672	8,670	1,002	699
	P8,580	P7,893	\$\mathref{p}\$687	9438
1949—May	737 748 701 697 685 623 708 712	676 677 650 659 633 592 636 632	61 71 51 38 52 31 72 81	29 38 19 5 19 0 39
1950—January	689	629	60	29
February	638	606	32	1
March	723	655	67	36
April	730	667	63	32
May	715	661	54	223
UNADJUSTED 1949—May June July August September October November December 1950—January	741	r684	58	32
	735	674	61	42
	701	650	50	27
	743	677	66	39
	695	631	64	38
	649	602	47	24
	705	629	76	54
	711	642	69	82
February March April May	585	570	15	-9
	743	668	76	r49
	714	652	62	38
	745	678	67	₽45

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 Including both domestic and foreign merchandise. Beginning January 1948, recorded exports include shipments under the Army Civilian Supply Program for occupied areas. The average monthly value of such unrecorded shipments in 1947 was 75.9 million dollars.
 General imports including merchandise entered for immediate consumption and that entered for storage in bonded warehouses.

Source.—Department of Commerce.

Back figures.—See BULLETIN for March 1947, p. 318; March 1943, p. 261; February 1940, p. 153; February 1937, p. 152; July 1933, p. 431; and January 1931, p. 18.

NOTE.—Descriptive material and back figures may be obtained from the Division of Research and Statistics. Basic data compiled by the Interstate Commerce Commission. Annual figures include revisions not available monthly.

DEPARTMENT STORE STATISTICS

[Based on retail value figures] SALES AND STOCKS, BY FEDERAL RESERVE DISTRICTS

[Index numbers, 1935-39 average = 100]

					a, 1933 3		<u>.</u>	erve dist	rict				
Year or month	United States	Boston	New York	Phil- adel- phia	Cleve- land	Rich- mond	At- lanta	Chi- cago	St. Louis	Minne- apolis	Kansas City	Dallas	San Fran- cisco
SALES ¹ 1945	207	176	169	184	201	235	275	193	227	185	229	275	248
	264	221	220	235	257	292	344	250	292	247	287	352	311
	286	234	239	261	281	304	360	275	314	273	311	374	337
	302	239	249	284	303	321	386	290	335	288	325	404	353
	286	234	233	271	281	307	374	271	317	275	309	385	332
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED								}				!	
1949—June. July. August. September. October. November. December.	285 280 283 289 276 277 293	242 227 234 241 211 234 239	r240 222 234 238 223 227 237	269 261 268 277 260 267 276	281 274 269 279 259 266 283	r313 326 304 306 295 305 311	368 377 360 367 376 367 382	262 258 275 283 258 262 281	314 325 326 332 309 300 330	266 261 269 276 278 267 293	309 304 299 312 301 299 322	7384 387 374 374 387 387 371 403	335 329 333 326 337 319 339
1950—January	282	244	229	267	290	300	376	274	282	246	300	396	316
	280	229	220	276	271	299	383	262	300	284	301	409	323
	274	216	217	262	270	288	374	265	297	249	298	389	321
	292	244	235	281	299	323	397	269	319	277	307	401	333
	290	7231	226	270	299	320	390	277	330	268	309	403	r336
	298	7240	242	285	299	332	2392	278	326	287	2322	410	343
UNADJUSTED 1949—June. July. August. September. October . November. December.	*269	232	r228	256	265	*289	*324	262	283	255	284	7330	314
	218	155	155	188	214	236	294	212	254	211	249	310	280
	238	173	171	201	234	243	324	228	280	242	275	333	313
	299	248	243	280	282	328	381	297	335	307	328	404	331
	293	234	243	279	274	314	395	271	331	314	325	414	339
	339	292	293	355	332	378	426	324	378	310	347	442	358
	481	418	401	472	465	541	642	438	504	438	505	662	565
1950—January	216	185	183	197	215	218	285	205	232	188	228	313	251
February	224	177	183	207	217	234	322	204	252	210	244	327	273
March	257	207	208	255	256	283	359	241	285	228	277	362	291
April	285	241	225	276	290	313	389	269	316	278	304	393	321
May	286	r228	221	275	296	315	378	280	323	273	306	391	*319
June	\$\mu281\$	p230	230	271	281	306	*345	278	293	276	\$\rightarrow{2}{9}6	353	321
STOCKS ¹ 1945	166	153	160	150	156	198	188	159	166	165	158	190	183
	213	182	195	191	205	248	258	205	225	212	209	251	238
	255	202	225	220	243	289	306	246	274	266	259	320	300
	291	223	241	252	277	322	362	281	314	326	301	389	346
	270	210	221	233	256	301	339	260	296	299	276	362	323
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED							•		1				
1949—June July. August September October November December	*266	207	r220	232	249	311	325	257	280	301	268	357	313
	256	193	213	224	228	302	319	253	267	283	263	354	302
	253	183	204	216	229	295	319	250	264	290	264	349	309
	263	195	213	232	242	295	337	252	280	296	258	356	334
	270	206	216	231	252	305	347	265	298	298	278	366	325
	273	219	221	231	258	295	352	261	308	305	284	365	329
	271	228	227	232	262	295	352	253	309	292	276	351	321
1950—January		223	227	234	256	291	357	264	288	304	283	353	322
February		222	224	234	269	307	350	262	321	308	283	364	343
March		233	231	239	276	324	353	264	326	307	294	362	355
April		231	230	249	283	329	360	265	329	316	296	375	341
May		228	228	244	280	331	370	265	313	322	295	380	338
June		215	222	244	265	338	\$359	258	299	2304	p288	375	324
UNADJUSTED													
1949—June. July August September October November December December December December September December September Septemb	256 245 254 274 297 305 244	199 188 192 210 232 249 205	189 204 225 244 255 207	218 202 212 241 265 266 204	244 228 242 264 287 279 219	280 282 298 309 339 327 267	312 300 316 347 379 395 306	247 233 242 259 288 298 237	280 278 287 311 333 329 259	291 290 287 301 313 331 270	268 257 259 263 298 313 246	336 333 346 367 384 405 323	315 311 308 334 346 365 293
1950—January	289	198	200	204	224	267	321	238	248	279	257	328	294
February		209	217	230	251	299	354	254	289	296	278	357	323
March		226	237	251	273	334	371	274	317	319	300	384	348
April		227	237	259	287	344	378	273	329	321	305	393	347
May		226	231	*249	283	337	366	268	313	323	301	380	350
June		206	209	229	261	305	\$345	248	299	294	\$288	353	326

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1 Figures for sales are the average per trading day, while those for stocks are as of the end of the month or the annual average.

Note.—For description and monthly indexes for back years for sales see Bulletin for June 1944, pp. 542-561, and for stocks see Bulletin for June 1946, pp. 588-612.

DEPARTMENT STORE STATISTICS—Continued SALES AND STOCKS BY MAJOR DEPARTMENTS

SALES	S AND	STOCKS	BY MA	AJOR D	EPAR'	rmen?	rs					
			cent cha n a year (value)		stoc	io of ks to es ¹	19	withou	Index nat season	ıal adju	stment	0 2
Department	Num- ber of stores report- ing		during riod	Stocks (end of month)	М	ay	Sa	les duri period			ocks at of mont	
		May 1950	Five months 1950	May 1950	1950	1949	19 May	50 Apr.	1949 May	19 May	50 Apr.	1949 May
GRAND TOTAL—entire store 3	354	+1	-4	+3	2.9	2.9						
MAIN STORE—total	354	+2	-3	+3	3.1	3.1	203	195	199	635	650	616
Piece goods and household textiles. Piece goods. Silks, velvets and synthetics. Woolen yard goods. Cotton yard goods. Household textiles. Linens and towels. Domestics—muslins, sheetings. Blankets, comforters, and spreads.	315 289 193 171 184 305 278 247 243	-4 -15 -19 -7 -11 +5 +7 +3 +4	-11 -23 -27 -24 -15 -2 +1 -6 -1	+4 -4 -7 -2 +1 +9 +4 +21 +4	3.5 3.3 3.3 11.0 2.3 3.6 4.1 3.3 3.4	3.3 3.0 2.9 10.4 2.0 3.4 4.3 2.8 3.4	185 208 165 65 325 175 160 199 165	154 197 172 116 268 132 126 134 123	192 244 202 70 366 168 149 193 159	656 694 549 716 735 638 659 649 562	687 747 634 743 845 654 662 673 555	627 721 532 696 729 587 630 534 546
Small wares. Laces, trimmings, embroideries, and ribbons. Notions. Toilet articles, drug sundries Silverware and jewelry. Silverware and clocks 4. Costume jewelry 4. Fine jewelry and watches 4. Art needlework. Books and stationery. Books and magazines Stationery.	344 207 242 326 317 214 277 76 240 273 139 238	-1 +2 -2 +7 -11 0 +2 -37 +1 +2 -4 +5	-3 -6 -5 +1 -10 -6 -9 -14 -9 +1 -3 +3	+2 0 +4 +3 +1 +1 +3 +2 0 +5 +2 +6	3.7 2.9 2.8 3.6 4.2 5.4 2.7 6.9 5.6 3.8 4.0	3.6 3.0 2.6 3.7 3.7 5.4 2.7 4.3 5.6 3.8 3.6 4.0	170 246 271 144 188 117 148 122 147	154 266 232 129 156 115 145 126 133	171 242 275 135 210 116 145 127 140	626 721 752 516 795 655 582 462 586	642 801 784 509 817 660 594 410 606	613 722 721 502 787 657 560 458 557
Women's and misses' apparel and accessories. Women's and misses' ready-to-wear accessories. Neckwear and scarfs. Handkerchiefs. Millinery. Women's and children's gloves. Corsets and brassieres. Women's and children's hosiery. Underwear, slips, and negligees. Knit underwear Silk and muslin underwear, and slips. Negligees, robes, and lounging apparel. Infants' wear. Handbags and small leather goods. Women's and children's shoes Children's shoes 4. Women's and misses' ready-to-wear apparel. Women's and misses' coats and suits. Coats 4. Suits 4. Juniors' and girls' wear Juniors' coats, suits, and dresses. Girls' wear. Women's and misses' dresses. Inexpensive dresses 4. Blouses, skirts, and sportswear. Aprons, housedresses, and uniforms. Furs.	351 351 351 351 3285 168 3285 324 287 287 287 287 287 228 324 218 333 242 208 218 340 209 317 292 315 342 255 324 343 245 257 347 347 347 347 347 347 347 347 347 34	-2 +2 +13 +1 +4 +10 0 +5 -3 +15 -3 +2 +4 +2 +2 +2 +7 -7 -13 -2 -13 -2 +2 +2 +2 +7 -12 -2 +2 +2 +12 +12 +12 +12 +12 +12 +12 +12	-8 -5 0 -8 -4 -5 -4 -11 -4 -12 -4 -12 -13 -18 -19 -12 -14 -19 -11 -19 -11 -19 -11 -19 -11 -11 -19 -11 -11	+3 +5 -2 +1 0 +5 +6 +6 +7 +15 +2 +4 +2 +7 -17 -24 +12 +4 +12 +4 +12 +4 +12 +4 +12 +4 +12 +14 +14 +15 +16 +17 +16 +17 +17 +17 +18 +18 +18 +18 +18 +18 +18 +18 +18 +18	2.4 2.8 2.18 2.18 3.7 1.8 2.7 2.2 2.2 2.2 4.19 4.19 4.19 1.14 1.7 1.17 1.16 1.2 1.6 1.6 1.6 1.6 1.6 1.6 1.6 1.6 1.6 1.6	2.7 2.7 2.4 3.1 4.0 6.1 2.3 2.4 4.0 7 3.2 2.4 4.0 7 3.1 2.1 2.1 2.3 3.1 3.2 3.2 4.0 1.0 3.1 3.1 3.1 3.1 3.1 3.1 3.1 3.1 3.1 3.1	205 200 234 1124 151 133 272 230 273 226 204 217 192 224 210 2149 232 254 213 262 280 255	212 209 276 119 252 189 258 154 213 168 147 252 210 244 	209 196 207 123 145 121 270 149 237 269 238 211 212 218 219 258 219 292 266 319 20	484 562 482 468 154 504 738 284 736 443 703 418 939 244 456 456 456 456 456 456	511 588 518 497 179 531 748 309 666 630 463 732 443 966 	470 534 502 459 155 486 692 268 551 636 565 431 683 409 877 401 292 453 376 562 356 562 358 484 488 408
Men's and boys' wear Men's clothing. Men's furnishings and hats Boys' wear Men's and boy's shoes and slippers	330 253 314 301 190	+1 +1 -1 +5 +10	-2 0 -4 -4 +4	+3 -2 +7 +4 +6	4.3 4.1 4.3 4.3 5.3	4.2 4.2 4.0 4.4 5.4	177 198 162 170 172	177 185 153 222 180	175 196 164 162 157	758 809 700 736 913	737 810 661 740 908	740 831 655 716 879
Housefurnishings Furniture and bedding Mattresses, springs and studio beds 4. Upholstered and other furniture 4. Domestic floor coverings. Rugs and carpets 4. Linoleum 4. Draperies, curtains, and upholstery Lamps and shades. China and glassware. Major household appliances. Housewares (including minor appliances). Gift shop 4. Radios, phonographs, television, records, etc.4. Radios, phonographs, television 4. Records, sheet music, and instruments 4.	317 243 164 172 274 155 100 297 249 251 248 261 168 229 187 128	+10 +11 +12 +12 +18 +6 -14 +5 +8 +10 +5 +5 +5 +11 +47 +60 -1	+9 +10 +12 +9 -1 -15 -1 +2 +3 +13 0 +7 +75 +104 -4	+3 +1 +10 +1 -3 -2 -7 +6 +5 -1 +4 +4 +3 +26 +41	3.6 3.6 1.8 4.2 4.0 3.6 3.3 3.6 6.7 2.6 3.1 4.7 3.4 3.0 6.3	3.8 4.0 1.8 4.6 4.4 4.6 3.3 3.7 7.4 2.6 3.1 4.0 3.4 6.2		208 185 177 195 184 142 234 264	284 296	869 787 853 809 718 1,040 775 979	863 805 868 803 761 1,067 713 987	
Miscellaneous merchandise departments Toys, games, sporting goods, and cameras Toys and games Sporting goods and cameras. Luggage. Candy 4.	317 294 238 146 262 194	+4 +5 +11 -1 -2 +9	-2 0 +3 -5 -6 -3	-1 0 +2 -2 -1 0	3.0 4.9 4.9 4.8 3.3 1.2	3.2 5.1 5.4 4.9 3.3 1.3	190 141 115 144 235	188 139 108 140 156	182 135 104 145 240	567 687 570 693 783	567 718 515 808 770	568 683 547 705 789

For footnotes see following page.

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DEPARTMENT STORE STATISTICS-Continued

SALES AND STOCKS BY MAJOR DEPARTMENTS-Continued

	,		cent cha n a year (value)		stoc	io of ks to es ¹	19		t season	umbers nal adju nthly sa	stment	0 2
Department	Num- ber of stores report-		during iod	Stocks (end of month)	М	ay	Sa	les duri period	ng		cks at e	
	ing	May	Five months	May	1950	1949	19	50	1949	19	50	1949
		1950	1950	1950	1930	1949	May	Apr.	May	May	Apr.	May
BASEMENT STORE—total	203	-3	-9	+2	2.1	2.0	210	202	217	433	450	425
Domestics and blankets 4	137	-2	-6	+5	2.5	2.4						
Women's and misses' ready-to-wear Intimate apparel 4. Coats and suits 4. Dresses 4. Blouses, skirts, and sportswear 4. Girls' wear 4. Infants' wear 4.	185 182	-5 -1 0 -12 -2 -2 -1	-12 -7 -17 -15 -10 -8 -5	-1 +3 -23 +1 +2 +2 +6	1.6 1.9 1.1 1.0 1.9 2.1 2.6	1.5 1.8 1.4 0.9 1.8 2.0 2.4		214				
Men's and boys' wear Men's wear 4. Men's clothing 4. Men's furnishings 4. Boys' wear 4.	160 137 92 116 121	0 -2 +1 -4 +6	-4 -4 -2 -6 -4	+8 +8 +5 +11 +5	2.7 2.6 2.5 2.6 2.9	2.4 2.3 2.4 2.3 2.9		212				
Housefurnishings	106	+3	-2	+3	2.2	2.2	217	177	210	477	513	465
Shoes	124	-1	-4	+2	3.3	3.2	165	173	166	548	565	548
NONMERCHANDISE—total 4	169	+2	-2	(5)	(5)	(5)					• • • • · ·	
Barber and beauty shop 4	73	+2	+2	(5)	(5)	(5)						

SALES, STOCKS, AND OUTSTANDING ORDERS AT 296 DEPARTMENT STORES 1

	(in m	Amount illions of d	ollars)
Year or month	Sales (total for month)	Stocks (end of month)	Out- standing orders (end of month)
1939 average 1940 average 1941 average 1942 average 1943 average 1944 average 1945 average 1945 average 1948 average 1949 average 1949 average 1949 average 1949 Lune July August September October November December	128 136 156 179 204 227 255 318 337 352 333 313 234 283 343 343 397 583	344 353 419 599 509 535 563 715 826 912 859 *807 756 799 861 952 990 788	108 194 263 530 560 729 909 552 465 350 283 390 410 501 444 350 296
1950—January February. March April May. June.	256 247 320 319 330	7788 853 920 926 906 2843	390 393 326 270 248 \$\mu_373\$

Preliminary. r Revised.

These figures are not estimates for all department stores in the United States.

Back figures .- Division of Research and Statistics.

WEEKLY INDEX OF SALES

[Weeks ending on dates shown. 1935-39 average = 100]

1948 1949 1949 Sept. 4. 308 Sept. 3. 295 Mar. 5. 24 11. 285 10. 273 12. 25 18. 337 17. 315 19. 26 27 26. 27 27 26. 27 27 27 27 28 28 28 28 28 28 28 28 28 28 28 28 28	Mar. 66 17 17 11 Apr.	11253 18264 25279
11. 285 10. 273 12. 25 18. 337 17. 315 19 26 25. 319 24 292 Oct. 2 327 Oct. 1. 302 Apr. 2. 30 9. 336 8 297 16. 331 15. 290 16. 31 23 344 22. 296 23 26 30 319 29 298 Nov. 6 320 Nov. 5. 315 13 346 12. 318 14. 28 20 371 19 342 21. 28	66 17 27 21 Apr. 20 4	11253 18264 25279 1301 8320 15254
27. 347 26. 330 28. 27 Dec. 4. 485 Dec. 3. 449 11. 564 10. 542 18. 576 17. 584 18. 28 25. 473 24. 541 31. 197 1949 1950 Jan. 1. 204 8. 272 Jan. 7. 205 15. 244 14. 233 22. 230 21. 230 29. 218 Feb. 5. 229 Feb. 4. 226 12. 236 15. 224 12. 236 29. 218 Feb. 5. 229 Feb. 4. 226 12. 236 12. 238 11. 238	May 55 69 June 88 55 57 78 July 13 13 13 13 13 13 13 14 15 15 16 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18	$egin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$

¹ The ratio of stocks to sales is obtained by dividing stocks at the end of the month by sales during the month and hence indicates the number of months' supply on hand at the end of the month in terms of sales for that month.

² The 1941 average of monthly sales for each department is used as a base in computing the sales index for that department. The stocks index is derived by applying to the sales index for each month the corresponding stocks-sales ratio. For description and monthly indexes of sales and stocks by department groups for back years, see BULLETIN for August 1946, pp. 856-858. The titles of the tables on pp. 857 and 858 were reversed.

sales and stocks by department groups for back years, see 2002 and stocks for the United States on p. 1059.

For movements of total department store sales and stocks see the indexes for the United States on p. 1059.

Index numbers of sales and stocks for this department are not available for publication separately; the department, however, is included in group and total indexes.

Data not available.

In 1949, sales and stocks

Note.—Based on reports from a group of large department stores located in various cities throughout the country. In 1949, sales and stocks at these stores accounted for almost 50 per cent of estimated total department store sales and stocks. Not all stores report data for all of the departments shown; consequently, the sample for the individual departments is not so comprehensive as that for the total.

^{*} Revised.
NOTE.—For description of series and for back figures, see BULLETIN for September 1944, pp. 874-875.

DEPARTMENT STORE STATISTICS-Continued

SALES BY FEDERAL RESERVE DISTRICTS AND BY CITIES

[Percentage change from corresponding period of preceding year]

	June 1950	1000	Six mos. 1950		June 1950	May 1950	Six mos. 1950		June 1950		Six mos. 1950		June 1950	May 1950	Six mos. 1950
United States. Boston New Haven Portland. Boston Area Downtown Boston Springfield Worcester Providence. New York Bridgeport 1. Newark 1 Albany Binghamton Buffalo 1 Elmira Niagara Falls. New York City 1 Poughkeepsie. Rochester 1 Schenectady Syracuse 1 Utica Philadelphia Trenton 1 Lancaster 1 Philadelphia 1 Reading 1 Wilkes-Barre 1 Vork 1 Cleveland Akron 1 Canton 1 Cincinnati 1 Cincinnati 1 Cincinnati 1 Cicleveland 1 Columbus 1. Springfield 1 Toledo 1 Voungstown 1	** +4* -1	-1 -3 -5 -2 -3 -3 -5 +1 +1 0 +7 +7 +3 +4 -4 +6 -4 +7 -1 -1 -1 -1 -2 +4 +7 +7 +1 +1 +1 +1 +1 +1 +1 +1 +1 +1 +1 +1 +1	25541 2464 3022745 iii 4441710 04440421	Washington 1 Baltimore. Hagerstown. Asheville, N. C. Raleigh. Winston-Salem. Charleston, S. C. Columbia. Greenville, S. C. Lynchburg. Norfolk. Richmond. Ch'ls'ton, W. Va. Huntington. Atlanta. Birmingham 1 Mobile. Montgomery 1 Jacksonville 1 Miami 1 Orlando. Tampa 1 Atlanta 1 Augusta. Columbus. Macon 1 Rome. Savannah. Baton Rouge 1 New Orleans 1 Jackson 1 New Orleans 1 Jackson 1 Meridian Bristol. Chattanooga 1 Knoxville 1	+14 +77 +100 +42 +33 +11 -100 -44 +22 +42 +12 +12 +14 +12 +14 +12 +14 +17 -2 +14 +17 -2 +14 +17 -2 +14 +17 -2 +14 +14 +16 +17 -2 +18 +19 +19 +19 +19 +19 +19 +19 +19 +19 +19	+4 +22 +32 -43 -8 -44 +46 -64 +22 -7 -75 +20 +3 +15 +32 +16 -3 -48 +17 +32 +16 -3 -48 +17 +17 +17 +18 +18 +19 +19 +19 +19 +19 +19 +19 +19 +19 +19	-22	Fort Wayne 1. Indianapolis 1. Terre Haute 1. Des Moines. Detroit 1 Flint 1 Grand Rapids. Lansing. Milwaukee 1. Green Bay 1 Madison. St. Louis. Fort Smith. Little Rock 1 Evansville. Louisville 1 Louisville 1 Quincy. East St. Louis. St. Louis Area. Springfield. Memphis 1 Minneapolis 1 St. Paul 1 Duluth-	p+6 -11+66 +100 +44+5+ +50+21-10-10-10-10-10-10-10-10-10-10-10-10-10	+3 +5 +10 +4 +3 +4 +4 +12 +12 +10 -3 -47 -14 +4 +2 +40 +17 +2 +41 +12 +44 +42 +44 +44 +44 +44 +44 +47 +47 +47 +47 +47	-2 -2 +12 -6 +11 +16 +22 +40 -77 -1 -44 -22 +3 -22 +10 -3 -3 -3 -12 -3 -1 -1 -1 -4 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1	Oklahoma City Tulsa Dallas Shreveport. Corpus Christi. Dallas Fort Worth Houston San Francisco. Phoenix Tucson Bakersfield Fresno Long Beach Los Angeles Oakland and Berkeley Riverside and San Bernardino Sacramento San Francisco San Jose Stockton Vallejo and Napa Boise and Napa Portland Salt Lake City Bellingham Everett Spokane Tacoma Shokane Tacoma Shokane Tacoma Sokane Tacoma T	+77 +55 +8 +8 +8- +122 +133 -3 +4 +133 -3 +4 +10 (2) 5 -79 -90 +1 +9 +77 -9 -8 +3 -9 +3 -9 +3 -1 +9 +10 -9 +10 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1	+26 +36 +37 +55 +16 +17 +57 +51 +17 +77 +77 +77 +77 +77 +77 +77 +77 +7	+6 +3 +7 +6 +7 +7 +11 +11 -1 +2 -21 -4 -4 -3 -2 -2 +4 +1 -1 -1 -1 -5 -3 -7 -3 -3 -7 -7 -3 -4 +2 +1 -1 +1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1

COST OF LIVING

Consumers' Price Index for Moderate Income Families in Large Cities

[Index numbers of the Bureau of Labor Statistics, 1935-39 average =100]

Year or month	All items	Food	Apparel	Rent	Fuel, elec- tricity, and refrigeration	House furnishings	Mis cellaneous
1929	122.5	132.5	115.3	141.4	112.5	111.7	104.6
1933	92.4	84.1	87.9	100.7	100.0	84.2	98.4
1940. 1941 1942 1943 1944 1945 1946 1947 1948 1949 1949 May June July August September October November December 1950—January February March	100. 2 105. 2 1165. 2 113. 6 123. 6 125. 5 128. 4 139. 3 159. 2 171. 2 169. 1 169. 2 169. 6 168. 5 168. 8 169. 6 168. 5 168. 6 167. 5	96. 6 105. 5 123. 9 138. 0 136. 1 159. 6 193. 8 210. 2 201. 9 202. 4 202. 4 202. 4 202. 4 202. 6 200. 6 200. 8 197. 3	101.7 106.3 124.2 129.7 138.8 145.9 160.2 185.8 198.0 190.1 191.3 190.3 188.5 187.4 187.2 186.8 186.3 185.8	104.6 106.2 108.5 108.0 108.2 108.3 108.6 111.2 117.4 120.8 120.4 120.6 120.7 120.8 121.2 121.5 122.0 122.2	99. 7 102. 2 105. 4 107. 7 109. 8 110. 3 112. 4 121. 2 133. 9 137. 5 135. 6 135. 6 135. 6 135. 6 135. 8 137. 0 138. 4 139. 7	100 . 5 107 . 3 122 . 2 125 . 6 136 . 4 145 . 8 159 . 2 184 . 4 195 . 8 189 . 0 189 . 5 187 . 3 186 . 8 184 . 8 185 . 6 185 . 2 185 . 4 185 . 4	101 .1 104 .0 110 .9 115 .8 121 .3 124 .1 128 .8 139 .9 149 .9 154 .7 154 .5 154 .2 154 .3 155 .2 155 .2 155 .2 155 .1 155 .1
April. April. May. June	167.3 168.6 170.2	196.6 200.3 204.6	185.1 185.1 185.0	123.1 123.5 123.9	141.4 138.8 138.9	185.6 185.4 185.2	154.8 155.3 155.3

Back figures.—Bureau of Labor Statistics, Department of Labor.

Preliminary.
 Revised.
 Indexes for these cities may be obtained on request from the Federal Reserve Bank in the district in which the city is located.
 Data not available.
 Five months 1950.

WHOLESALE PRICES, BY GROUPS OF COMMODITIES

[Index numbers of the Bureau of Labor Statistics. 1926=100]

]	1			C	ther	commo	dities						
Year, month, or week	All com- modi- ties	Farm prod- ucts	Foods	Total	Hides and leather prod- ucts	Text pro- uct	d- light	id ting te-	Metals and metal prod- ucts	Build- ing mate- rials	Cher cals a allie prod uct	nd i	ouse- fur- nish- ing oods	Mis- cella- neous	Raw mate- rials	Manu- fac- tured prod- ucts
1929 1930 1931 1932 1933 1934 1935 1936 1937 1938 1939 1940 1941 1942 1943 1944 1945 1944 1945 1946 1947 1948 1949	98.8 103.1	104. 9 88. 3 64. 8 48. 2 51. 4 65. 3 78. 8 80. 9 86. 4 68. 5 67. 7 82. 4 105. 9 122. 6 123. 3 128. 2 148. 9 181. 2 188. 3 7165. 5	99.9 90.5 74.6 61.0 60.5 70.5 83.7 82.1 85.5 73.6 4 71.3 82.7 99.6 106.6 130.7 168.7 179.1	91.6 85.2 75.0 70.2 71.2 78.4 77.9 79.6 85.3 81.7 81.3 83.0 95.5 96.9 98.5 99.7 109.5 135.2 147.3	109.1 100.0 86.1 72.9 80.9 86.6 95.4 104.6 92.8 95.6 100.8 108.3 117.7 117.5 116.7 118.1 137.2 182.4 188.8 188.8	90 86 66 54 64 72 70 71 76 66 69 73 84 96 97 98 100 116 141	.3 78 .3 67 .3 67 .8 66 .9 73 .5 76 .7 76 .7 76 .8 76 .9 78 .8 76 .9 78 .4 80 .4 83 .4 83 .4 83 .4 83 .5 108 .8 108 .8	.2	100.5 92.1 84.5 79.8 86.2 86.9 86.9 95.7 94.4 103.8 103.8 103.8 104.7 115.5 145.0 170.2	95. 4 89.9 79.2 77.0 86.2 85.3 86.7 90.3 90.3 90.5 111.4 115.5 111.4 115.5 132.6 179.1 199.1	94 88 79 73 72 75 75 78 82 77 76 77 84 95 95 91 101 127 135 118	73991330776000445511111111111111111111111111111111	94.3 92.7 84.9 75.1 75.8 80.6 81.7 89.7 88.3 86.3 86.3 94.3 002.7 004.3 004.5 31.1 44.5	82.6 77.7 69.8 64.4 62.5 69.7 68.3 70.5 77.8 77.3 82.0 92.2 93.6 94.7 100.3 115.5 120.5 112.3	97.5 84.3 65.6 55.1 56.5 68.6 77.1 79.9 84.8 72.0 70.2 71.9 83.5 100.6 112.1 113.2 116.8 134.7 165.6	88.0 77.0 70.3 70.5 78.2 82.2 82.2 82.2 82.2 82.4 81.6 89.6 100.1 100.8 116.1 146.0
July	154.5 r153.6 152.9 r153.5 152.2 151.6 151.2	168.8 166.2 162.3 163.1 159.6 156.8 154.9	162.4 161.3 160.6 162.0 159.6 158.9 7155.7	r145.5 r145.1 145.0 145.3 145.0 r145.0 r145.4	178.8 177.8 178.9 181.1 181.3 180.8 179.9	r139 138 138 139 138 138 138	.0 r130 .1 r129 .0 r129 .0 r130 .0 r130	.1 .6 .9 .6	7167.1 167.9 168.2 168.2 167.3 167.3	191.4 189.0 7188.3 189.4 7189.3 189.6 190.4	7116. 7118. 7119. 117. 7115. 115.	0 1- 6 1- 6 1- 9 1- 8 1-	45.3 43.0 42.9 42.9 43.0 43.4 44.2	111.0 110.3 109.8 109.6 109.0 109.7 110.7	164.5 163.2 161.3 162.0 *160.4 160.4 159.5	149.4 150.1 149.1
1950—January	151.5 152.7 152.7 152.7 152.9 155.9 157.3	154.7 159.1 159.4 159.3 164.7 165.9	154.8 156.7 155.5 155.3 159.9 162.1	145.8 145.9 146.1 146.4 147.6 148.8	179.3 179.0 179.6 179.4 181.0 182.6	138, 138, 137, 136, 136,	.2 131 .3 131 .4 131 .1 132	.3 .5 .2 .1	168.4 168.6 168.5 168.7 7169.8 171.8	191.6 192.8 194.2 194.8 198.1 202.2	115. 115. 116. 117. 116. 114.	2 14 3 14 1 14 4 14	44.7 45.2 45.5 45.8 46.6 47.0	110.0 110.7 110.6 114.7 114.8	159.8 162.4 162.8 162.5 166.3 167.7	148.9 149.4
Week ending:1 1950—May 30	156.8	167.5	161.5	147.7		135.	.6 132	ا و.	171.3	199.6	116.	o				
June 6 June 13 June 20 June 27	157.4 156.7 157.1 157.1	166.4 164.5 166.2 165.0	163.2 161.0 162.5 162.7			135. 135. 135. 136.	.8 133 .9 133	.0	172.9 173.2 173.0 173.1	199.8 200.7 201.1 201.4	114. 114. 113. 114.	1				
July 4 July 11 July 18 July 25	159.0 161.9 163.3 163.7	171.3 176.3 176.9 177.0	165.2 171.9 175.4 173.8	149.0 149.9 150.6 151.7		137. 138. 139. 140.	.7 133 .6 133	.2	173.0 173.1 173.3 173.5	202.1 203.8 204.1 207.3	114. 115. 117. 118.	7				
		1949		1950								1949	,		1950	
Subgroups		June	Mar.	Apr.	May Ju	ne		,	Subgrou	ps		June	Ma	ar. Ap	r. Ma	y June
Farm Products: Grains Livestock and poult Other farm products	ry	. 193.3	165.4 180.3 144.2	178.0	194.6 19	9.3 7.5 5.0	Agı Far Iro	ricult m n	nachinery d steel	oducts: ch. & equ		r144. r146. r164. r175.	6 145	5.6 145 9.0 168	3.4 143 5.8 145 3.9 168 5.1 175	.8 145.9 .6 169.2
Dairy products Cereal products Fruits and vegetable Meats Other foods	28	145.6 157.5 215.5	134.9 200.0	145.9	146.0 14 139.2 14 217.1 22	5.9 5.6 0.5 3.7 3.1	Plu Building Bri Cer	mbing <i>Ma</i> ck annent	ng and haterials:	eating.		154. 154. 160.	7 151 8 163 7 134	1.9 154 3.3 163 1.9 134	3.9 136 1.7 156 3.4 163 1.9 134	.3 148.4 .4 156.3 .9 164.3 .9 134.9
Hides and Leather Production Shoes		186.0 177.1	184.3 190.4 177.9 143.1	184.3 187.2 179.1 143.1	179.3 180	4.8 2.1 0.6 3.1	Pai Plu Stri Oth	nt a: mbi: uctu: ier b	nd paint ng and h ral steel. uilding n	material eating.	s	280. *153. 154. 178. 168.	8 138 7 151 8 191	3.2 136 1.9 154 1.6 191	0.4 310 5.7 136 1.7 156 1.6 191 1.0 172	.8 137.7 .4 156.3 .6 191.6
Textile Products: Clothing Cotton goods Hosiery and underw Silk Rayon	ear	169.3 99.5 49.2 39.6	176.5 98.0 49.1 39.9	r172.8 1 97.7 49.1 39.9	172.0 173 97.7 9 49.3 49 39.9 39	3.8 3.8 7.7 9.3	Che Dru Fer Miz Oils	emic igs a tilize red f	als nd phar er materi ertilizers l fats	Products maceutic	als.	7116. 124. 117. 108. 116.	5 117 3 103	$\begin{bmatrix} 7.3 & 117 \\ 3.5 & 103 \end{bmatrix}$.4 116 .0 122 .4 116 .5 103 .5 122	.8 108.4 .5 103.5
Woolen and worsted Other textile produc Fuel and Lighting Materi	goods ts als:	159.7 177.7		146.1	46.2 14	8.3 4.5	Housefu Fur Fur	rnish nish nitu	hing Good ings re	ls:		151. 139.		2.2 152 3.6 138	.6 154 3.8 138	1 154.4
Anthracite		188.6 222.4 68.9 90.1	198.5 224.7 67.9 88.3	193.4 225.6 67.8 86.8	39.2 140 192.6 192 225.6 223 87.2 12.6 113	2.1	Miscella Aut Cat Par Rul	neou to tin tle f er a bber	us: res and t eed nd pulp. . crude	ubes		62. 199. 159. 34.	1 64 3 193 6 155 5 41	1.3 65 3.7 215 5.5 155 1.3 48	.0 65 .6 235 .4 155 .7 58	.8 67.0 .5 213.2 .4 155.4
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r Revised.

Weekly indexes are based on an abbreviated sample not comparable with monthly data. Back figures .- Bureau of Labor Statistics, Department of Labor.

GROSS NATIONAL PRODUCT, NATIONAL INCOME, AND PERSONAL INCOME

[Estimates of the Department of Commerce. In billions of dollars]

RELATION OF GROSS NATIONAL PRODUCT, NATIONAL INCOME, PERSONAL INCOME, AND SAVING

				Annua	totals				Seaso	nally ac	ijusted quarte		rates
	1929	1933	1939	1941	1946	1947	1948	1949		1949		19	50
	1929	1933	1939	1941	1940	1947	1948	1949	2	3	4	1	2
Gross national product	103.8	55.8	91.3	126.4	211.1	233.3	259.1	255.6	255.2	254.4	253.8	262.5	269.9
Less: Capital consumption allowances	8.8 7.0 .6 1	7.2 7.1 .7 1.2	8.1 9.4 .5 1.4	9.3 11.3 .5 1.6	.6	14.8 18.7 .7	17.4 20.4 .7 -2.9	18.8 21.3 .7 -1.9	18.7 21.2 .7 -2.9	21.7 .7	.7	19.7 21.7 .7 3.4	20.4 22.7 .7 n.a.
ment enterprises	1 87.4	(1) 39.6	72.5	103.8	.9 180.3	1 198.7	223.5	216.8	217.8	216.7	.0 214 .2	217.2	.5 n.a.
adjustment. Contributions for social insurance Excess of wage accruals over disbursements Plus: Government transfer payments. Net interest paid by government. Dividends.	10.3 .2 .0 .9 1.0 5.8	-2.0 .3 .0 1.5 1.2 2.1	5.8 2.1 .0 2.5 1.2 3.8	2.8	6.0	24.7 5.7 .0 11.1 4.4 6.6	4.5	5.7 .0 11.6 4.7	30.4 5.6 3 11.7 4.6 7.7	5.6 .0 11.9 4.7	5.7 .0	28.4 6.7 .0 20.9 4.7 8.1	n.a. 6.9 .0 14.7 4.7 8.1
Business transfer payments. Equals: Personal income. Less: Personal tax and related payments. Federal. State and local. Equals: Disposable personal income. Less: Personal consumption expenditures. Equals: Personal saving.	85.1 2.6 1.3 1.4 82.5 78.8 3.7	1.5 .5 1.0 45.2	2.4 1.2 1.2 70.2	3.3 2.0 1.3 92.0	177.7 18.8 17.2 1.6 158.9 146.9 12.0	21.5 19.6 1.9 169.5 165.6	21.2 19.0 2.2 188.4 177.4	18.7 16.2 2.5 187.4		18.7 16.2 2.5 185.1 179.0	18.7 16.1 2.5 186.8 180.6	18.7 16.1 2.6	19.2 16.6 2.6 195.5 184.5

NATIONAL INCOME, BY DISTRIBUTIVE SHARES

		, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,		Annua	l totals				Seaso		ijusted quarte	annual rs	rates
										1949		19	50
	1929	1933	1939	1941	1946	1947	1948	1949	2	3	4	1	2
National income	87.4	39.6	72.5	103.8	180.3	198.7	223.5	216.8	217.8	216.7	214.2	217.2	n.a.
Compensation of employees Wages and salaries 2 Private Military Government civilian	45.2	28.8 23.7	45.7 37.5 .4	61.7 51.5 1.9	117.1 111.2 90.6 8.0	4.1	134.4 115.7 4.0	134.2 113.7 4.3	134.2 114.0 4.2	4.3	133.6 112.7 4.6	135.2 114.3 4.5	140.2 119.2 4.5
Supplements to wages and salaries Proprietors' and rental income 3 Business and professional	19.7 8.3	4.9 .5 7.2 2.9	7.8 2.1 14.7 6.8	9.6	12.7 5.9 42.0 20.6	13.2 5.9 42.4 19.8	5.8 47.3 22.1	21.0	42.2 21.1	16.3 6.4 40.1 20.7	16.4 6.6 40.7 20.6	41.5 21.4	22.3
Farm Rental income of persons Corporate profits and inventory valuation adjustment	5.8 10.3		5.8	14.6	14.8 6.6 18.3	24.7	7.5 31.8	13.4 7.3 29.8	7.4 30.4	12.2 7.2 31.8	12.8 7.3 28.4	7.3 28.4	7.2 n.a.
Corporate profits before tax. Corporate profits tax liabliity. Corporate profits after tax. Inventory valuation adjustment. Net interest	1.4 8.4	4 -2.1	6.5 1.5 5.0 7 4.2	17.2 7.8 9.4 -2.6 4.1	23.5 9.6 13.9 -5.2 2.9	30.5 11.9 18.5 -5.8 3.5	13.0 20.9 -2.0	17.0	10.0 16.4	28.2 10.8 17.3 3.7 4.8	16.9 .8	11.4 17.8 7	n.a. n.a. n.a. -2.3 5.0

Source.—Figures in this table are the revised series. For an explanation of the revisions and a detailed breakdown of the series for the period 1929-38, see National Income Supplement to the Survey of Current Business, July 1947, Department of Commerce. For the detailed breakdown for the period 1939-49, see Survey of Current Business, July 1950. For a discussion of the revisions, together with annual data for the period 1929-38, see also pp. 1105-1114 of the BULLETIN for September 1947; data subsequent to 1938 shown in that issue of the BULLETIN have since been revised.

n.a. Not available.

Less than 50 million dollars.

Includes employee contributions to social insurance funds.
Includes noncorporate inventory valuation adjustment.

Note.—Details may not add to totals because of rounding.

GROSS NATIONAL PRODUCT, NATIONAL INCOME, AND PERSONAL INCOME—Continued

[Estimates of the Department of Commerce. In billions of dollars]

GROSS NATIONAL PRODUCT OR EXPENDITURE

				Annua	totals				Seaso	nally a	djusted quarte		rates
	1929	1933	1939	1941	1946	1947	1948	1949		1949		19	50
	1929	1933	1939	1941	1940	1947	1948	1949	2	3	4	1	2
Gross national product	103.8	55.8	91.3	126.4	211.1	233.3	259.1	255.6	255.2	254.4	253.8	262.5	269.9
Personal consumption expenditures Durable goods	78.8 9.4		67.5 6.7	82.3 9.8	146.9 16.6					179.0 24.7	180.6 25.3		184.5 26.7
Nondurable goods	37.7	22.3	35.3	44.0	85.8	95.1	100.9	98.5	99.2	97.6	97.9	97.5	99.0
ServicesGross private domestic investment	31.7 15.8		25.5 9.9	28.5 18.3	44.5 28.7	49.1 30.2	53.7 43.1			56.6 32.1	57.4 31.2	58.0 40 .5	58.8 45.9
New construction 1	7.8	1.1	4.9	6.8	10.3	13.9	17.7	17.3	16.8	16.9	18.2	19.9	20.9
Producers' durable equipment	6.4 1.6	-1.8	$\frac{4.6}{.4}$	7.7 3.9	12.3 6.1	17.1 8	19.9 5.5	19.5 -3.7	19.8 -5.3	$\frac{19.4}{-4.2}$	18.7 -5.7	19.3	$\frac{21.6}{3.4}$
Net foreign investment	.8	.2	.5	1.1	4.6		1.9	.4	1.3	-4.2	-:7	-1.9	
Government purchases of goods and				24.5	20.0	20.		40.0			42.0		
services Federal	8.5 1.3	8.0 2.0	13.1 5.2	24.7 16.9	30.9 20.9	28.6 15.8	36.6 21.0		44.3 26.6	43.2 25.1	42.8 24.3		41.4 22.6
War	1 1 2	2.0	1.3	13.8	21.2	1 27 1	21.5	í	26.8	25.8	24.6		22.8
Nonwar	(3)	(3)	3.9 (*)	3.2 (3)	2.5	1.3	.5	.4		.7	.3	2	.2
State and local	7.2	5.9	7.9	7.8	10.0	12.8	15.6	18.0	17.7	18.2	18.5	18.9	18.8

PERSONAL INCOME

[Seasonally adjusted monthly totals at annual rates]

				Wage	s and sala	ries			,				
	Per-		W	age and s	alary dist	oursement	s	Less em- ployee	Other	Pro- prietors'	Divi- dends and	Trans-	Non-
Year or month	sonal income	Total receipts ⁴	Total dis- burse- ments	Com- modity produc- ing in- dustries	Distrib- utive indus- tries	Service indus- tries	Gov- ern- ment	contri- butions for social insur- ance	labor income ⁵	and rental income ⁶	per- sonal interest income	fer pay- ments ⁷	agricul- tural income ⁸
1929	85.1	50.0	50.2	21.5	15.5	8.2	5.0	.1	.5	19.7	13.3	1.5	76.8
1933	46.6	28.7	28.8	9.8	8.8	5.1	5.2	.2	.4	7.2	8.2	2.1	43.0
1937 1938 1939 1940 1941 1942 1943 1944 1945 1946 1947 1948 1949	74.0 68.3 72.6 78.3 95.3 122.7 150.3 165.9 171.9 177.7 191.0 209.5 206.1	45.4 42.3 45.1 48.9 60.9 80.7 103.6 114.9 115.3 109.2 119.9 132.2 132.0	45.9 42.8 45.7 49.6 61.7 81.9 105.4 117.1 111.3 122.0 134.3 134.2	18.4 15.3 17.4 19.7 27.5 39.1 49.0 50.4 45.9 46.1 54.3 60.2 57.0	13.1 12.6 13.3 14.2 16.3 18.0 20.1 22.7 24.7 30.9 35.1 38.8 39.4	6.9 6.7 6.9 7.3 7.8 8.6 9.5 10.5 11.5 13.7 15.3 16.6 17.4	7.5 8.2 8.2 8.5 10.2 16.1 26.8 33.5 35.6 20.6 17.2 18.7 20.4	.6 .6 .7 .8 1.2 1.8 2.2 2.3 2.1 2.2 2.2	.5 .5 .6 .7 .9 1.3 1.5 2.4 2.8 2.9	15.4 14.0 14.7 16.3 20.8 32.8 35.5 37.5 42.0 42.4 47.3 41.7	10.3 8.7 9.2 9.4 9.9 9.7 10.0 10.6 11.4 13.2 14.5 16.1	2.4 2.8 3.0 3.1 3.2 3.0 3.6 6.2 11.4 11.8 11.2	66.5 62.1 66.3 71.5 86.1 109.4 135.2 150.5 155.7 158.8 170.8 187.0 188.2
1949—May. June. July. August. September. October. November. December.	207.6 205.9 203.5 204.3 203.4 202.4 205.7 208.4	132.7 131.6 131.4 131.3 131.6 130.3 131.3 132.9	134.9 133.9 133.5 133.5 133.8 132.5 133.4 135.1	57.1 56.4 56.0 56.3 56.4 54.8 55.5 57.0	40.1 39.6 39.4 39.4 39.4 39.0 39.0 39.3	17.6 17.5 17.4 17.3 17.4 17.8 17.8	20.1 20.4 20.7 20.5 20.6 20.9 21.1 21.0	2.2 2.3 2.1 2.2 2.2 2.2 2.1 2.2	2.9 2.9 2.9 3.0 3.0 3.1 3.1	42.6 42.2 40.2 40.7 39.2 39.8 41.7 40.6	17.1 16.8 16.6 16.8 17.0 17.2 17.2 18.9	12.3 12.4 12.4 12.6 12.6 12.1 12.4 12.9	188.7 187.4 186.8 187.3 187.8 186.0 187.6 191.1
1950—January February March April May	214.6 215.4 219.3 213.8 214.5	132.2 131.5 133.6 135.3 137.7	135.0 134.2 136.4 138.1 140.5	56.7 55.8 57.7 59.1 60.9	39.5 39.3 39.6 39.7 40.1	17.9 18.1 18.1 18.2 18.5	20.9 21.0 21.0 21.1 21.0	2.8 2.7 2.8 2.8 2.8	3.0 3.0 3.3 3.3 3.4	43.5 41.0 40.2 39.8 41.5	17.5 17.7 18.0 18.2 17.8	18.4 22.2 24.2 17.2 14.1	195.2 199.0 203.7 198.7 198.4

Note,-Details may not add to totals because of rounding.

Source.-Same as preceding page.

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 Includes construction expenditures for crude petroleum and natural gas drilling.
 Consists of sales abroad and domestic sales of surplus consumption goods and materials.
 Less than 50 million dollars.
 Total wage and salary receipts, as included in "Personal income," is equal to total disbursements less employee contributions to social insurance.
 Such contributions are not available by industries.
 Includes compensation for injuries, employer contributions to private pension and welfare funds, and other payments.
 Includes business and professional income, farm income, and rental income of unincorporated enterprise; also a noncorporate inventory valuation adjustment.
 Includes government social insurance benefits, direct relief, mustering out pay, veterans' readjustment allowances and other payments, as well as consumer bad debts, and other business transfers.
 Includes personal income exclusive of net income of unincorporated farm enterprise, farm wages, agricultural net rents, agricultural net interest, and net dividends paid by agricultural corporations.

 Note.—Details may not add to totals because of rounding.

CONSUMER CREDIT STATISTICS

TOTAL CONSUMER CREDIT, BY MAJOR PARTS

[Estimated amounts outstanding. In millions of dollars]

			In	stalment cred	it		Noninstalment credit			
End of year or menth	Total consumer credit	Total instal-		Sale credit		Loans 1	Total noninstal-	Single- payment	Charge	Service
		ment credit	Total	Automobile	Other		ment credit	loans 2	accounts	credit
1929	7,628	3.158	2.515	1,318	1,197	643	4,470	2,125	1,749	596
1933	3,912	1,588	1,122	459	663	466	2,324	776	1,081	467
1939. 1940. 1941. 1942. 1943. 1944. 1945. 1946. 1947. 1948. 1949.	6,637 10,191 13,673 16,319 18,779	4,424 5,417 5,887 3,048 2,001 2,061 2,364 4,000 6,434 8,600 10,890	2,792 3,450 3,744 1,617 882 891 942 1,648 3,086 4,528 6,240	1,267 1,729 1,942 482 175 200 227 544 1,151 1,961 3,144	1,525 1,721 1,802 1,135 707 691 715 1,104 1,935 2,567 3,096	1,632 1,967 2,143 1,431 1,119 1,170 1,422 2,352 3,348 4,072 4,650	3,545 3,698 3,975 3,530 3,377 3,742 4,273 6,191 7,239 7,719 7,889	1,468 1,488 1,601 1,369 1,192 1,255 1,520 2,263 2,707 2,902 2,988	1,544 1,650 1,764 1,513 1,498 1,758 1,981 3,054 3,612 3,854 3,909	533 560 610 648 687 729 772 874 920 963 992
1949—May. June. July. August. September. October. November. December. 1950—January. Eabproper.	15,843 16,124 16,198 16,453 16,803 17,223 17,815 18,779	8,888 9,123 9,335 9,622 9,899 10,166 10,441 10,890	4,718 4,870 5,010 5,223 5,438 5,661 5,880 6,240 6,174 6,213	2,386 2,499 2,610 2,761 2,876 2,986 3,085 3,144 3,179 3,256	2,332 2,371 2,400 2,462 2,562 2,675 2,795 3,096 2,995 2,957	4,170 4,253 4,325 4,399 4,461 4,505 4,561 4,660 4,662 4,662	6,955 7,001 6,863 6,831 6,904 7,057 7,374 7,889 7,508 7,508	2,739 2,752 2,768 2,799 2,808 2,866 2,927 2,988 3,003 3,001	3,235 3,274 3,123 3,064 3,123 3,197 3,454 3,909 3,506 3,233	981 975 972 968 973 994 993 992
February March April May ^p June ^p	18,126 18,302 18,620 19,077 19,627	10,884 11,077 11,322 11,668 12,063	6,213 6,334 6,511 6,733 6,950	3,256 3,355 3,470 3,600 3,761	2,957 2,979 3,041 3,133 3,189	4,671 4,743 4,811 4,935 5,113	7,242 7,225 7,298 7,409 7,564	3,001 3,009 3,048 3,101 3,140	3,233 3,211 3,241 3,290 3,399	1,008 1,005 1,009 1,018 1,025

CONSUMER INSTALMENT LOANS

[Estimates. In millions of dollars]

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					outstandin period)	g			Loans n		rincipal le iring perio	nding inst d)	itutions
Year or month	Total	Com- mercial banks 1	Small loan com- panies	Indus- trial banks ²	Indus- trial loan com- panies ²	Credit unions	Miscel- laneous lenders	Insured repair and modern- ization loans 3	Com- mercial banks ¹	Small loan com- panies	Indus- trial banks ²	Indus- trial loan com- panies ²	Credit unions
1929	643	43	263	21	9	23	95			463	41	3	38
1933	466	29	246	12	1	20	50			322	20)2	32
1939	1,632 1,967 2,143 1,431 1,119 1,170 1,422 2,352 3,348 4,072 4,650	523 692 784 426 316 357 477 956 1,435 1,709 1,951	448 498 531 417 364 384 439 597 701 817 929	131 132 134 89 67 68 76 117 166 204 250	99 104 107 72 59 60 70 98 134 160	135 174 200 130 104 100 103 153 225 312 402	96 99 102 91 86 88 93 109 119 131 142	200 268 285 206 123 113 164 322 568 739 801	680 1,017 1,198 792 639 749 942 1,793 2,636 3,069 3,282	827 912 975 784 800 869 956 1,231 1,432 1,534 1,737	261 255 255 182 151 155 166 231 310 375 418	194 198 203 146 128 139 151 210 282 318 334	237 297 344 236 201 198 199 286 428 577 712
1949—May June July August September October November December	4,170 4,253 4,325 4,399 4,461 4,505 4,561 4,650	1,788 1,836 1,866 1,897 1,922 1,936 1,944 1,951	818 827 843 851 855 858 875 929	213 219 225 230 235 239 244 250	165 167 169 171 172 172 173 175	333 346 357 369 379 385 394 402	131 132 133 134 135 135 137 142	722 726 732 747 763 780 794 801	288 303 282 294 278 272 269 280	135 140 155 143 128 134 161 232	35 38 35 37 34 34 36 41	28 28 28 29 27 26 28 31	60 68 59 66 65 59 64 69
1950—January February March April May? June?	4,743 4,811 4,935	1,957 1,973 2,026 2,066 2,134 2,233	931 928 936 945 959 978	251 254 258 262 267 275	175 174 176 178 182 188	404 408 421 431 450 474	142 142 143 144 145 147	802 792 783 785 798 818	269 268 336 307 348 379	131 126 163 154 168 175	37 34 43 37 43 46	27 25 31 28 32 34	59 61 78 70 83 93

PPreliminary.
 Includes repair and modernization loans insured by Federal Housing Administration.
 Noninstalment consumer loans (single-payment loans of commercial banks and pawnbrokers).

Note.—Back figures by months beginning January 1929 may be obtained from Division of Research and Statistics.

Preliminary.

1 Figures include only personal instalment cash loans and retail automobile direct loans shown on the following page, and a small amount of other retail direct loans not shown separately. Other retail direct loans outstanding at the end of June amounted to 97 million dollars, and other loans made during June were 13 million.

2 Figures include only personal instalment cash loans, retail automobile direct loans, and other retail direct loans. Direct retail instalment loans are obtained by deducting an estimate of paper purchased from total retail instalment paper.

3 Includes only loans insured by Federal Housing Administration.

CONSUMER CREDIT STATISTICS—Continued

CONSUMER INSTALMENT SALE CREDIT, EXCLUDING AUTOMOBILE CREDIT

[Estimated amounts outstanding. In millions of dollars]

End of year or month	Total, exclud- ing auto- mobile	Depart- ment stores and mail- order houses	Furni- ture stores	House- hold appli- ance stores	Jewelry stores	All other retail stores
1929	1,197	160	583	265	56	133
1933	663	119	299	119	29	97
1939 1940 1941 1942 1943 1944 1945 1946 1947 1948	1,525 1,721 1,802 1,135 707 691 715 1,104 1,935 2,567 3,096	377 439 466 252 172 183 198 337 650 874 1,010	536 599 619 440 289 293 296 386 587 750 935	273 302 313 188 78 50 51 118 249 387 500	93 110 120 76 57 56 57 89 144 152 163	246 271 284 179 111 109 113 174 305 404 488
1949						
May June July August September. October November. December.	2,332 2,371 2,400 2,462 2,562 2,675 2,795 3,096	771 774 766 781 818 855 906 1,010	704 718 730 755 784 822 858 935	367 382 405 417 435 454 464 500	123 124 121 121 121 123 127 163	367 373 378 388 404 421 440 488
1950						
January February March April May ^p June ^p	2,995 2,957 2,979 3,041 3,133 3,189	975 958 960 979 1,011 1,028	902 891 899 913 935 947	491 492 502 518 537 552	62 616 618 63 65 66	5 3 1 0

CONSUMER INSTALMENT CREDITS OF INDUSTRIAL BANKS, BY TYPE OF CREDIT [Estimates. In millions of dollars]

CONSUMER INSTALMENT CREDITS OF COMMERCIAL BANKS, BY TYPE OF CREDIT [Estimates. In millions of dollars]

Year or month	Total	Auton ret Pur- chased	ail Direct	retail, pur- chased and	Repair and mod- erniza- tion loans ¹²	Per- sonal instal- ment cash loans
Outstanding at end of period: 1947	2,701 3,563 4,416 3,740 3,852 3,933 4,044 4,247 4,432 4,416 4,494 4,494 4,595 8,681 5,083 568 592 541 598 598 593 576 593 574 646 667	346 570 854 6688 7184 780 8115 835 854 868 922 953 992 1,048	536 736 915 817 843 869 905 915 922 915 922 935 964 1,035 1,035 1,096	523 751 922 736 761 7750 761 778 803 8368 922 953 941 966 1,027 1,065	500 636 781 650 676 684 711 730 752 781 779 783 774 780 804 834	796 870 944 873 895 9011 922 927 944 945 947 969 1,003 1,040 142 157 141 145 134 145 164

CONSUMER INSTALMENT CREDITS OF INDUSTRIAL LOAN COMPANIES, BY TYPE OF CREDIT

						LUAN CU	MPANIE	3. DI 1	IFE UF	CKEDII	
		Retail ment	instal-	Repair and	Personal instal-			In millions			
Year or month	Total	Auto-		modern- ization	ment cash			Retail ment		Repair and	Personal instal-
		mobile	Other	loans 12	loans	Year or month	Total	Auto-		modern- ization	ment cash
Outstanding at end								mobile	Other	loans 1 2	loans
of period:						Outstanding at end					
1947 1948	233.5 286.2	50.0 66.6	30.2 43.4	43.3 51.7	110.0 124.5	of period:					
1949	343.2	93.6	63.1	55.4	131.1	1947 1948	148.2 177.1	27.1 38.3	17.1 23.7	4.2 5.0	99.8 110.1
1949—May		73.3	45.8	50.0	125.6	1949	194.7	43.5	31.4	6.5	113.3
June	303.4	76.1 78.8	48.7 50.3	51.2 51.4	127.4 128.9	1949May	183.0	40,3	25.9	5,1	111.7
July August		82.9	52.3	52.9	128.9	June	185.7	41.2	26.7	5.3	112.5
September		85.3	54.6	53.9	129.9	July	187.9	41.6	28.5	5.3	112.5
October	329.6	88.7	56.6	55.0	129.3	August	190.1	42.3	29.6	5.8	112.4
November		91.7	59.2	55.5	129.9	September.	190.9	43.0	30.0	5.7	112.2
December		93.6	63.1	55.4	131.1	October	191.2	44.2	30.2	6.0	110.8
2000	0 20 12	1				November . December .	192.5 194.7	44.1	30.5	6.3	111.6
1950-January	344.6	96.1	63.9	54.7	129.9			43.5	31.4	6.5	113.3
February		98.6	65.2	54.2	129.4	1950—January	194.8	44.3	31.1	6.6	112.8
March	350.5	100.4	66.9	53.0	130.2	February	193,7	44.6	30.8	6.6	111.7
April	355.0	102.6	68.9	52.8	130.7	March	196,2	46.1	31.0	6.5	112.6
May^p		105.6	70.7	53.5	132.0	April	198.7	47.5	31.6	6.4	113.2
June*		111.9	71.9	54.1	133.1	May*	202.8	49.5	32.7	6.7	113.9
Volume extended						June*	209.1	52.3	34.4	6.9	115.5
during month:						Volume extended during month:]			
1949 May	43.7	11.9	7.8	3.6	20.4	1949—May	32.0	7.3	5.2	0.6	18.9
June	47.0	12.3	8.2	4.4	22.1	June	31.1	6.7	4.8	0.6	19.0
July	41.9	11.3	7.5	3.2	19.9	July	30.8	6.7	5.2	0.5	18.4
August	47.7	14.1	8.2	4.7	20.7	August	31.1	6.6	4.7	0.8	19.0
September.	43.5	12.5	7.8 .	4.3	18.9	September .	27.9	6.1	3.9	0.5	17.4
October	45.6	13.7	8.5	4.8	18.6	October	28.3	7.1	3.9	0.5	16.8
November	45.8	13.7	8.8	4.2	19.1	November .	28.7	5.7	4.0	0.5	18.5
December	47.0	11.9	10.3	3.3	21.5	December.	31.3	5.4	4.4	0.4	21.1
4050 T	44.0	40.0	7 0	0.7	40.4	1		1 1			
1950—January	41.9	12.3	7.8	2.7	19.1	1950—January	27.7	6.5 5.6	3.3	0.3	17.6
February	40.3	12.6	7.6	2.7	17.4	February	25.4		3.5	0.3	16.0
March	47.3	13.5	9.7	2.5	21.6	March	31.2	7.3	4.0	0.3	19.6
April	43.1	12.7	8.8	3.0	18.6	April	29.2	6.9	3.9	0.4	18.0
May^p	48.9	13.9	9.6	4.2	21.2	May ^p	33.1	7.9	4.8	0.5	19.9
June ^p	50.9	15.7	8.9	4.2	22.1	June*	35.9	9.0	5.4	0.5	21.0
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Preliminary.
 Includes not only loans insured by Federal Housing Administration but also noninsured loans.
 Includes both direct loans and paper purchased.

CONSUMER CREDIT STATISTICS—Continued

FURNITURE STORE STATISTICS

	Item		ntage ci n preced month		Percentage change from corresponding month of preceding year					
		June 1950 <i>p</i>	May 1950	April 1950	June 1950*	May 1950	April 1950			
Credit Inst	ales	-5 -7 -4 -3	+13 +18 +10 +11	-2 -5 -1 -3	+6 -2 +7 +7	+7 +3 +8 +8	+3 -7 +8 +1			
of m Total.	receivable, end conth: 	+1 +1	+2 +1	+1 +1	+27 +28	+27 +28	+27 +28			
mon Total.	ns during th: nent	+1 +1	+4 +4	-6 -8	+10 +11	+7 +8	+2 +2			
	ies, end of , at retail value.	-3	-1	+3	+9	+5	0			

Preliminary.

RATIO OF COLLECTIONS TO ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE 1

]	Instalment accounts								
Year or month	Depart- ment stores	Furni- ture stores	House- hold ap- pliance stores	Jewelry stores	Depart- ment stores					
1949 May June July August September October November December	22 21 19 21 20 20 20 20	13 12 12 12 12 11 11 11	14 14 13 14 12 12 12 12	14 14 13 14 13 14 13 14	53 53 49 51 52 53 54 52					
1950 January February March April May June ^p	18 17 19 17 18 17	10 10 11 10 10	12 11 12 11 12 10	(2) (2) (2) (2) (2) (2) (2)	49 47 53 50 52 51					

DEPARTMENT STORE SALES, ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE, AND COLLECTIONS

		Index num	bers, with	out seasona	l adjustme	nt, 1941 ave	erage = 100		Percen	tage of tot	al sales
Year or month		Sales duri	ng month			receivable of month		ns during nth	Cash	Instal- ment	Charge account
	Total	Cash	Instal- ment	Charge account	Instal- ment	Charge account	Instal- ment	Charge account	sales	sales	sales
Averages of monthly data:											
1941 1942 1943 1944 1945 1946 1947 1948 1949 1949—May June	100 114 130 145 162 202 214 225 213 208 200 149	100 131 165 188 211 242 237 236 216 210 206 157	100 82 71 66 67 101 154 192 198 189 1772	100 102 103 112 125 176 200 219 213 209 -200 141	100 78 46 38 37 50 88 142 165 153 152 151	100 91 79 84 94 138 174 198 196	100 103 80 70 69 91 133 181 200	100 110 107 112 127 168 198 222 224 220 220 202	48 56 61 64 59 55 52 50 50	9 6 5 4 4 6 7 8 8 8 8	43 38 34 32 32 37 39 41 42 42 741 39
JulyAugustSeptemberOctoberNovemberDecember	149 179 214 220 254 372	157 181 209 214 247 380	147 195 224 242 259 325	141 173 217 221 260 373	151 155 165 175 189 214	161 182 191 213 285	179 188 191 202 211 227	202 184 185 214 232 245	52 50 49 48 48 50	10 9 10 9 8	40 42 42 43 43
1950—January February March April May June ^p	164 156 203 204 212 203	162 152 199 202 205 199	174 183 230 214 226 208	164 155 203 205 217 208	209 207 209 212 217 218	222 191 185 190 194 194	233 222 250 226 231 230	319 241 230 210 222 226	49 48 48 49 48 48	9 10 10 9 9	42 42 42 42 43 43

Preliminary.

Note.—Data based on reports from a smaller group of stores than is included in the monthly index of sales shown on p. 1059.

Preliminary.
 Collections during month as percentage of accounts outstanding at beginning of month.
 Collection of these data for jewelry stores was discontinued after December 1949.

Revised.

CURRENT STATISTICS FOR FEDERAL RESERVE CHART BOOKS BANK CREDIT, MONEY RATES, AND BUSINESS *

			· · · ·	1950				4			1950		·
:	Chart book page	June	July	July	July	July		Chart book page	June	July	July	July	July
		28	5	12	19	26 1	May be discon		28	5	12	19	26 1
WEEKLY FIGURE RESERVE BANK CREDIT, Reserve Bank credit, total	ETC.	40.57	11. 11	ions of		18.64	WEEKLY FIGURES 2—	Cont.		In·u	nit indi	ated	
U. S. Govt. securities, to Bills	tal 3	18.57 18.22 3.84	18.95 18.59 3.98	18.29 3.83	17.87 3.63	17.96 4.06	BUSINESS CONDITION Wholesale prices:	s	hr		£1 }		4
Notes and certificates Bonds	3	8.74 5.64 24.23	5.55 24.23	9.05 5.41 24.21	5.29 24.21	5.00 24.16	Indexes (1926=100): Total Farm products	65	157.1	159.0	161.9	163.3	
Money in circulation Treasury cash and deposit Member bank reserves, tot	s 2	27.03 2.17	27.32 1.95 16.25	27.17 1.69		26.92 1.82	Other commodities	65	162.7	165.2	176.3 171.9 149.9	175.4	177.0 173.8 151.7
New York City Chicago	5	4.40 1.11	4.37 1.11	4 41 1 13	4.30 1.10	4.34 1.12	Basic commodities: (Aug. 1939 = 100) Total	67	266.8	271.2	280.1	2891	300.0
Reserve city banks Country banks Required reserves	5	6.21 4.38 15.47	6.25 4.41 15.47	6.37 4.59 15.55	6.28 4.49 p15.49		Foodstuffs Industrial materials	67	332.5 242.5	344.5 242.9	353.2 251.1	359.8 258.7	371.4 267.5
Excess reserves, total New York City Chicago Reserve city banks	4	.52 .02	. 79 01	.90 .07 .01	* .67 02	p.85	Wheat (cents per buch		152.9	217.5 156.6		225.7 156.0	225.3 155.8
Reserve city banks Country banks	5 5	(8) .14 .48	(4) .16 .51		.12 2.58	(3) .12 p.57	Cotton (cents per pour Steers (dollars per 10 pounds)	1d). 68 00 68	*33.8 29.88	34.2 30.44	36.7 30.48	37.9 30.14	38.7 30.78
MEMBER BANKS IN LEADING All reporting banks:			e e j egg se				pounds)	100	19.43	20.38		1,333	20.18
Loans and investments. U. S. Govt. securities, to Bonds	otal. 14 16	36.64	67.65 36.15 24.45	67.59 36.25 24.46	36.22	35.73	Hogs (dollars per 1 pounds) Butter (cents per pour	68 1d). 68	20.99 59.9	23.49 59.9	24.58 59.9	24.12 60.0	24.34 60.1
Notes and certificates Bills Other securities	16 16	9.56	9.30 2.41 5.77	9.27 2.52 5.87	9.25 2.50 5.96	9.22 2.03	Eggs (cents per dozen) Production: Steel (% of capacity)	71	30.4 101.2	32 . 1 92 . 6	33.5 96.0	35.9 99.4	36.7 99.3
Demand deposits adjust U. S. Govt. deposits Loans, total	ed 14	47.97 2.48	47.40 2.49 25.73	.47.55 2.45	47.73 2.47	48.47 2.34	Automobile (thous, cars) Crude petroleum (tho	71	187 5,357	127 5,398	185 5,421	179 5,464	186 5,448
Commercial Real estate	18 18	13.60 4.68			25.70 13.79 4.78		Bituminous coal (mill, to Paperboard (thous, tons) Meat (mill, pounds)	ns). 72	71.71 211 277	r0.32 129 232	1.55 187 291	1.87 213 295	1.79 216 289
For purchasing securi Total U. S. Govt. securiti	18 es 18	2.37 .51	245 .68	2.18 .59	2.30 .76	2.67 1.11	Electric power (mill. kw. Freightcarloadings (thous. c	hrs.) 75 ars):	6,115	5,380	6,006	6,186	6,190
Other securities Other New York City banks:	18	1.86 4.91	1.77 4.93	1.59 4.95	1.53 4.98	1.57	Total	74	783 370	554 300	789 369	830 377	845 387
Loans and investments. U. S. Govt. securities, to Bonds, total holdings.	otal. 15	10.27	19.41 9.97 7.25	19.29 9.97 7.23	19.32 9.89 7.20	9.55	(1935–39 = 100)	75	263	218	265	303	296
Due or callable—5 y Notes and certificates	ears 17	7.24 5.73 2.15	2.00	5.73 1:97	5.72 1.97	5.69 1.97					1950		
Bills Demand deposits adjust U. S. Govt. deposits	ed 15	.88 15.20 .68		. 66	. 66	15.18 .62	A CONTRACT OF THE PARTY	re .	Apr.	: 18.7	May	Jı	ine 1
Interbank deposits Time deposits Loans, total Commercial	15	3.94 1.57 7.95	4.02 1.55 7:92	.4.06 1.54 7.69	3.83 1.53 7.77	1.52		14		In bill	ions of c	lollars	·
Commercial For purchasing securit To brokers:	19 ties:	4.71	4.72		4.77		Total deposits and curren	icy. 6	P172.6	50	p173.30	p17	4.40
On U. S. Govts On other securitie To others	s 19	1.09	$^{49}_{1.02}$.39 .85 .23	.56 .81 .23	.85 .82 .25	Total deposits adjusted currency. Demand deposits adjusted	6	p168.		p169.50		9.70 5.40
Real estate and other Banks outside New York	19 City:	1.35	1.36	1.37	1.37	1,39	Time deposits adjusted. Currency outside banks. U. S. Govt. deposits	6	p59.5 p24.6	60	p59.50 p24.70 p3.80	p2	$9.70 \\ 4.60 \\ 4.70$
Loans and investments. U. S. Govt. securities, to Bonds	tal 15	26.37 17.19	26.19	26.28	4 77 0 77	26.18	Money in circulation, total	$\begin{bmatrix} \dots & 7 \\ \dots & 7 \end{bmatrix}$	27.0 8.3 14.1)5 19	27.09 8.36 14.18	2	7.16 8.34 4.25
Notes and certificates Bills Demand deposits adjust	17	1.76	1.69 32.44	1.76 32.70	$\frac{1.77}{32.73}$	1.63 33.29	Coins, \$1, \$2, and \$5 bill	s 7			4.55		4.56
U. S. Govt. deposits Interbank deposits Time deposits	15 15	1.80 6.16	1.82 6.63 13.85	1.80 6.84 13.82	6.57	1.71 6.30 13.75	Bark Politic B 182		\(\hat{\chi}\)	A	nnual ra	te	
Loans, total	15	17.64	17.81 8.94 4.37	17.78		18.20 9.09	Turnover of demand depos New York City Other leading cities	8	30,6 19.6		30.9 19.8		29.2 20.0
For purchasing securit Other	ies 19	.71 3.90	.71	.71	.70	75	COMMERCIAL BANKS	i) In a		In bill	ions of c	iollars	
MONEY RATES, ETC. U. S. Govt. securities:		1 171		nt per a		1.174	Cash assets	9	p26.	50	₽26.60	p ₂	6.70
Bills (new issues) Certificates	30	1.49	1.23	1.22	1.23 1.45	1.23 1.44	Loans and investments, tot Loans	9	p120.4 p43.8 p65.6	30	p121.20 p44.10 p66.10	p12	2.10 5.00 6.00
7-9 years	30 .30, 32	2.34	1.85 2.34	2.34	An arealy	a = 3	Other securities Holdings of U. S. Govt.	9	P11.0		p11.00		1.20
AaaBaaHigh-grade municipal bond	32	2.63 3.32 2.12	2.65 3.33 2.12	2.66 3.33 2.12	2.66 3.33 2.12	3.28	curities: Within 1 year: Total	10	16.0		16.57		6.10
Stock prices (1935–39 = 100	65			nit indi	لمنت		Bills	10	2.7 7.5 5.6	1	3.17 7.72 5.67	p	3.70 5.40 7.00
Total	34	143 153	141 150 103		139 148 111	139 148 120	Notes and bonds (1-5 y	10 zrs.) 10	42.4 32.9	2	42.55 32.94	p3	2.90 3.10
Industrial	34 ires) 34	104 108 3 .42			103 2.35	101 2.38	Bonds (5-10 yrs.)	10	5.5 4.0	0	5.54 4.08	p	5.70 4.10
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	Chart		1950			Chart		1950	
	book page	Apr.	May	June 1		book page	Apr.	May	June 1
MONTHLY FIGURES—Cont		In bil	lions of a	lollars	MONTHLY FIGURES—Con-	t.	In bil	lions of d	lollars
MEMBER BANKS All member banks: Loans and investments, total U. S. Govt. securities. Other securities. Demand deposits adjusted Time deposits. Balances due to banks	12 12 12 12 12 12	101.43 36.84 55.44 9.15 71.61 29.62 10.77	37.07 55.99 9.12 72.21 29.69 10.62	37.82 55.98 9.27 72.45 29.80 10.70	only), commercial bank, and F. R. Bank Commercial bank and F. R.	24 24	102.95 58.24	57.89	₽57.70
Balances due from banks. Reserves. Central reserve city banks: Loans and investments, total. Loans. U. S. Govt. securities. Other securities. Demand deposits adjusted * Time deposits Balances due to banks.	12 12 12 12 12 12 12 12 12	5.36 15.90 24.31 9.19 12.96 2.16 18.50 2.79 4.79	5.33 15.94 24.46 9.14 13.27 2.05 18.58 2.88 4.71	5.36 16.19 25.04 9.47 13.49 2.07 18.82 2.90 4.81	F. R. Bank By earliest callable or due date: Within 1 year-Total outstanding Commercial bank and F. R.	24 24 25 25 25 25 25 25	44.45 6.16 44.93 26.67 10.60 48.61 36.08	44.28 5.80 45.33 26.97 10.41 48.61 36.24	p44.30 5.62 42.45 p25.80 9.72 51.80 p38.20
Reserves. Reserve city banks: Loans and investments, total. Loans. U. S. Govt. securities. Other securities. Demand deposits adjusted f. Time deposits. Balances due to banks. Balances due from banks. Reserves.	12 13 13 13 13 13 13 13 13 13	5.34 38.20 14.47 20.55 3.19 25.44 11.77 5.08 1.67 6.13	5.36 38.56 14.65 20.67 3.23 25.65 11.76 5.03 1.70 6.14	5.54 38.90 14.88 20.70 3.33 25.80 11.91 5.02 1.73	F. R. Bank	25 25 25 25 25 25 25	3.16 15.93 8.58 6.65 1.15 45.13	3.30 15.93 8.58 6.69 1.15 45.13	5.12 15.93 p8.60 p6.80 1.15 45.13
Country banks: Loans and investments, total. Loans. U. S. Govt. securities. Other securities. Demand deposits adjusted * Time deposits Balances due from banks. Reserves.	13 13 13 13 13 13 13 13 13	38.92 13.18 21.94 3.80 27.68 15.06 3.54 4.42	39.16 13.27 22.04 3.85 27.98 15.06 3.48 4.44	39.12 13.46 21.79 3.87 27.83	only), commercial bank, and F. R. Bank	25 25 25 26 26 26	7.77 6.93 2.88 1.68 3.34 -1.66	7.42 6.61 2.53 2.94 3.70 76	4.69 4.06
CONSUMER CREDIT * Consumer credit, total	20 20 20 20 20 20, 21 21 21	18.62 3.05 3.24 1.01 11.32 4.81 6.51	p19.08 p3.10 p3.29 p1.02 p11.67 p4.94	p3.14 p3.40 p1.03 p12.06 p5.11	Common stock	29 29 29 29 29 29	1.164 2.60 3.23 1.50 1.31 6.18 3.82	Per cent 1.167 2.61 3.25 1.50 1.31 5.97 3.82	1.175 2.62 3.28 1.50 1.31 6.35 3.85
AutomobileOtherGovernment finance	21 21	3.47 3.04	p3.60 p3.13	p3.76		35 35 35 35, 36 36 36	50 142 461 1,084 619 678	50 147 491 1,175 750 657	
Gross debt of the U. S. Government: Total (direct and guaranteed) Bonds (marketable issues) Notes, certificates, and bills Savings bonds, savings notes Special issues Guaranteed, noninterest-bearing debt, etc Ownership of U. S. Govt, securities:	22 22 22 22 22 22	255.74 102.95 51.65 65.56 31.80 3.78	102.95 52.05 65.77	52.36 66.01 32.36	Volume of trading (mill. shares) BUSINESS CONDITIONS Personal income (annual rates, bill. dollars): * 5 Total	35 48 48	2.30 213.8 135.3	1.76 214.5 137.7	2.08 p215.8
Total: Commercial banks Fed. agencies and trust funds F. R. Banks Individuals Corporations and associations Insurance companies Mutual savings banks State and local govts Marketable public issues:	23 23 23 23 23 23 23 23 23	65.30 37.31 17.80 70.30 24.20 20.50 11.60 8.70	65.80 37.35 17.39 70.50 24.70 20.40 11.60 8.70	37.83 18.33 p70.60 p24.60 p20.20 p11.60	Labor force (mill. persons): Total Civilian. Unemployment. Employment.	48 49 49 49 49 49	58.0 20.5 63.5 62.2 3.5 58.7 51.5	59.3 17.5 64.1 62.8 3.1 59.7 51.7	P16.8 66.2 64.9 3.4 61.5
By class of security: By class of security: Bills—Total outstanding Commercial bank and F, R. Bank. F, R. Bank. Notes and certificates—Total outstanding. Commercial bank and F, R. Bank. F, R. Bank.	24 24 24 24 24 24	12.62 7.10 4.37 39.02 24.78 7.27	13.02 7.24 4.07 39.02 24.98 7.52	27.60 3.86 38.82 25.40	Total. Manufacturing and mining. Construction. Transportation and utilities. Trade Government Hours and earnings at factories: Weekly earnings (dollars). Hourly earnings (dollars).	50 50 50 50 50 50 50 51 51	743.26 715.24 2.15 3.95 9.42 75.92 56.93 1.434 39.7	43.61 15.58 2.21 3.89 9.47 5.87 57.72 1.443 40.0	p15.71 p2.28 p3.97 p9.52 p5.85 p58.89 p1.454

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	Chart		1950			Ch4		1950	
	book page	Apr.	May	June 1		Chart book page	Apr.	May	June 1
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MONTHLY FIGURESCon					MONTHLY FIGURES—Con	t.		1	
BUSINESS CONDITIONS—Cont.					BUSINESS CONDITIONS—Cont.				
Industrial production: 5 Total (1935-39 = 100)	52	190	195	p199	Consumers' prices (1935-39 = 100): All items	64	167.3	168.6	170.2
Groups (points in total index): Durable manufactures	52	84.1	87.6	₽90.0	Food	64 64	196.6 185.1	200.3 185.1	204.6 185.0
Nondurable manufactures	52	784.6 21.3	85.0 22.0	p86.3 p23.0	Rent	64 64	123.1 154.8	123.5 155.3	123.9 155.3
Minerals. Manufacturing production (1935–39 = 100), total	52	199	204	₽208	Wholesale prices (1926 = 100):		i	1	
Durable	53	222	231	p237	Total	65 65	152.9 159.3	155.9 164.7	157.3 165.9
Nondurable Selected durable manufactures	53	180	181	P184	FoodOther commodities	65 65	155.3 146.4	159.9 147.6	162.1 148.8
(1935–39 = 100): Nonferrous metals	54	207	208	p219	Textile products Hides and leather products Chemicals and allied products	66 66	136.4 179.4	136.1 181.0	136.8 182.6
Steel	54	270 218	273 210	271 214	Chemicals and allied products Fuel and lighting materials	66 67	117.1 131.2	116.4 132.1	114.5 132.7
Lumber	54	150	149 261	p144 p279	Building materials	67	194.8	198.1	202.2
Transportation equipment Machinery Selected nondurable manufactures	54	226 251	259	₽264	Metals and metal products Miscellaneous Prices paid and received by farmers	67 66	168.7 112.6	7169.8 114.7	171.8 114.8
(1935-39=100):					(1910-14=100):				
Apparel wool consumption Cotton consumption	55 55	*143 139	149 140	132	Paid, etc	69 69	251 241	254 247	255 247
ShoesPaperboard	55	115 207	106 211	213	Received	70	1,594	1,809	
Newsprint consumption	55	168	165	168	Livestock and products	7Ŏ 7O	1,108	1,334	p1,266
Manufactured food products Fuel oil	55	164 •172	164 175	p164 p175	Crops		436 50	434 41	p603 p34
GasolineIndustrial chemicals	55	171 434	181 444	P188 455					
Rayon	55	349	350	350	INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND FINA	NCE			
Sales (bill. dollars):5 Manufacturing, total	56	18.5	20.7	21.2	Exports and imports (mill. dollars): Exports	76	p810	p825	p876
Durable	56	8.0 10.5	9.1	9.6	Imports	76 76	p583	₽659	p686
Nondurable	57	7.3	11.6 8.0	8.3	Short-term liabilities to and claims on		P227	^p 166	p190
Durable Nondurable	. 57	1.8 5.5	5.9	2.3 6.0	dollars):	•			
Retail, total	. 57	11.1 3.7	11.3 3.9	4.2	Total liabilitiesOfficial	77 77	p6.23 p2.88	p6.35 p3.00	
Nondurable Inventories (bill. dollars):5	57	7.4	7.4		Official	77	p.77		
Manufacturing, total	. 56	31.2 14.0	31.5 14.1	32.1 14.4	Private	77	p3.36	p3.35	
Durable	56	17.2	17.4	17.7	Foreign exchange rates:				
Wholesale		9.4 14.1	9.5 14.4	9.5 14.8	See p. 1091 of this BULLETIN	18, 19			
New orders (bill. dollars) Durable	56	8.5	8.9	10.7			1949	195	50
Nondurable	56	10.1	11.4	12.0					<u> </u>
avg., mill. dollars):5 Total		1,165	1,123	₽1.179			Oct Dec.	Jan Mar.	Apr June
Residential	58	548 617	559 565	₽584 ₽595	QUARTERLY FIGURES			Wai.	June
Other	36	017	303	P393	GOVERNMENT FINANCE		In bil	lions of d	lollars
Contracts awarded (mill. dollars): Total 1- and 2-family dwellings	59	564	565	556	Budget receipts and expenditures of				
1- and 2-family dwellings Other	59 59	417 147	447 118	445 111	U. S. Treasury: Expenditures, total	27	9.96	9.09	
Other	59	P126	P140	p142	National defense Veterans' Administration	27, 28 28	3.15 1.56	1.58	1.46
dollars): Total	60	1,959	2,250	2,500	International aid		1.10 1.57	.99 1.26	1.16 1.93
Nonresidential:		478	557	626	All other		2.52	2.16	2.50
Public Private Residential: *		601	655	712	Receipts: Net receipts	27	8.42	11.16	8.21
Public	60	28	28	28	Individual income taxes Corporate income, etc	28	2.91 2.85	6.63 2.68	4.23 2.28
Private Freight carloadings:5		852	1,010	1,134	Miscellaneous internal revenue	28	2.20	1.95 .78	2.05 .62
Total (1935-39=100)	61	126	122	127	Tax refunds (deduct)	28	.15	.88	.97
Miscellaneous Coal	61 61	75.2 26.2	73.0 25.2	75.6 24.8			Por	ent per a	
All other		24.3	24.1	26.4	i .			chi per d	
Department stores: indexes (1935-39 = 100):5		000	00-		Bank rates on loans to business: All loans:				
SalesStocks	62 62	292 286	290 285	298 276	19 cities	31	2.65 2.38	2.60 2.29	2.34
296 stores: Sales (mill. dollars)		319	330	318	7 Northern and Eastern cities 11 Southern and Western cities	31	2.67 3.03	2.55 3.12	2.67 3.22
Stocks (mill. dollars) Outstanding orders (mill. dollars)	63	926 270	7906 7248	842 373	Loans of \$1,000-\$10,000: 19 cities		4.53	4.45	4.50
Ratios to sales (months' supply):	:			ļ. I	New York City	. 31	4.14	3.85	3.94
Total commitments		3.7 2.9	$\frac{3.4}{2.7}$	3.8 2.6	7 Northern and Eastern cities 11 Southern and Western cities		4.63 4.66		
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:	Chart	1949	19	50		Chart	1949	19	50
	book page	Oct Dec.	Jan Mar.	Apr June		book page	Oct Dec.	Jan. Mar.	Apr June
QUARTERLY FIGURES—Co	nt.	Per co	ent per a	nnum	QUARTERLY FIGURES—Co	nt.	- In 1	ınit indic	aled
MONEY RATES—Cont.					BUSINESS FINANCE—Cont.				
Bank rates on loans to business—Cont					Plant and equipment expenditures	:			
Loans of \$10,000-\$100,000:	31	3.61	3.54	3.65	(bill. dollars): 68 All business Manufacturing and mining; rail-	42	4.6	3.7	4.5
New York City	31 31	3.35 3,65	3.22 3.60	3.35 3.62	Manufacturing and mining; rail- roads and utilities	42	3.2	2.6	3.3
11 Southern and Western cities	31	3.74	3.71	3.83		42	2.0	1.7	2.1
Loans of \$100,000-\$200,000: 19 cities	. 31	2.98	2.94	2.94					
New York City	31 31	2.73 3.00	2.64 2.91	2.73 2.82			In bil	lions of d	ollars
11 Southern and Western cities	31	3.12	3.15		Individual eavings :				4.
Loans of \$200,000 and over:	31	2.35	2.31	2.39	Gross savings Liquid savings Cash U. S. Govt. securities	43 43	+10.9 +1.0	$^{+8.8}_{-0.6}$	
New York City	31	2.21	. 2,13	2.16	Cash.	43	1 +1.7	-0.3	
11 Southern and Western cities	31 31	2.41 2.56	2.28 2.74	2.45 2.82	Other securities	43 43	-0.1 +0.4	+0.8	
Stock vields:					InsuranceDebt liquidation	43 43	$+1.8 \\ -3.0$	-0.3	
Earnings/price ratio, common stocks	33	13.49	12.28	p14.40	Debt įiquidation	43		-0.3	
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BUSINESS FINANCE		In u	nit indic	aled	GROSS NATIONAL PRODUCT, ETC.	e			
Corporate assets and liabilities (bill. dollars):				,	Gross national product 5	44	253.8	262.5	269.
Current assets, total	37	124.1	124.8		ices	44	42.8	41.4	41.4
Cash U. S. Govt. securities	37 37	24.9 15.7	23.7 16.7		Personal consumption expenditures Durable goods		180.6 25.3	182.4 26.9	184.5 26.7
Inventories	37	43.8	44.2		Nondurable goods	46	25.3 97.9	26.9 97.5	99.0
Receivables	37 37	38.3 56.4	38.7 55.8		Services	46	57.4	58.0	58.8
Notes and accounts payable	37	33.7	32.8		ment	44	30.5	38.6	43.9
Federal income tax liabilities Net working capital	37 37	9.7 67.7	9.7 69.0		Gross private domestic invest- ment:		1		,
Corporate security issues:		ł: I	1.40		Producers' durable equipment.	45	18.7	19.3 19.9	21.6
Total (bill. dollars)	38	1.30	1.01	2.19 1.27	Change in business inventories.	45 45	$ \begin{array}{r} 18.2 \\ -5.7 \end{array} $	1.3	3.4
Type of security (bill. dollars):		.64	.83	7.6	Net foreign investment Personal income, consumption, and	45	- 7	-1.9	-2.0
BondsPreferred stock	38	.11	.09		saving: 5				· .
Common stock	38	.11	.10	32	Personal income	47 47	205,4 186.8	216.4 197.7	.214.7 195.5
Plant and equipment:	20			0.50	Consumption expenditures	47	180.6	182.4	184.5
Public utility 6	39 - 39	597 396	· 777	958 774	Net personal saving	4.7	6.2	15.3	11.0
All issuers Public utility 6 Railroad Industrial 6	39	77 112	106 73	81 103					
working capital:							1948	19	19
All issuers	39 39	265 5	237	317 6			Dec.	June	Dec.
Railroad	39	. 	18				31.	30	31
Industrial 6 Bonds (bill. dollars): 6		106	. 94	171	SEMIANNUAL FIGURES				
Public Private	38 38	.31	. 69 . 46	.98 .65	INSURED COMMERCIAL BANKS		In bili	ions of d	ollars
Corporate profits, taxes, and dividends		.07	. 40		Loans:				
(annual rates, bill. dollars): 65	40.	27:6	: 29.2			11	18.76 2.78	16.29 2.73	16.94 2.96
Profits before taxes	40		47.0	-710 5	Commercial Agricultural Real estate Consumer	11 11	10.67	10.89	
undistributed profits) Undistributed profits	40 40	16.9 8.7	9.7	r711.4	Consumer	11	6.80	7.17	8.00
Corporate profits after taxes (quarterly totals):			:		To brokers and dealers		1.34	1.97	1.75
All corporations (bill. dollars)	41	4.2	4.5	<mark>.</mark>	To othersState and local government securities.	11 11	0.94 5.51	0.90 5.76	0.86 6.40
Large corporations, total (bill. dol- lars)	41	1.2	1.2		Other securities	11	3.42	3.49	3.57
Manufacturing (mill. dollars):									
Durable Nondurable	41	424 342	529 323						
Electric power and telephone (mill. dollars)	41	267	304						
Railroads (mill. dollars)	41	161	51						

^{*} Estimated.
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1 For charts on pp. 22, 29, and 35, figures for a more recent period are available in the regular BULLETIN tables that show those series. Because the Chart Book is usually released for publication some time after the BULLETIN has gone to press, most weekly charts and several monthly charts include figures for a more recent date than are shown in this table.

2 Figures for other than Wednesday dates are shown under the Wednesday included in the weekly period.

3 Less than 5 million dollars.

4 Deficiency of less than 5 million dollars.

5 Adjusted for seasonal variation.

6 Beginning with the second quarter of 1950 data are not strictly comparable with those for earlier quarters because of changes in components.

7 Estimates of Council of Economic Advisers, based on preliminary data.

8 Expenditures anticipated by business during the third quarter of 1950 are (in billions of dollars): All business, 4.5; manufacturing and mining, 2.1.

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	page	Apr.	Mayn	June		book page	Apr.	Mayr	June
		In mi	llions of e	dollars			In mil	lions of a	lollars
Consumer credit outstanding, total Instalment credit, total Instalment loans Instalment sale credit Charge accounts Single-payment loans Service credit Consumer credit outstanding, cumulative totals: Instalment credit Charge accounts Single-payment loans Service credit Consumer instalment sale credit outstanding, cumulative totals: All other retailers Department stores and mail-order houses Furniture and household appliance stores Automobile dealers	3 5 5 5 5 3 3 3 4 4 4 4 4 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6	18,620 11,322 4,811 6,511 3,241 3,048 1,009 18,620 7,298 4,057 1,009 6,511 5,880 4,901 3,470	11,668 4,935 6,733 3,290 3,101 1;018 19,077 7,409 4,119 1;018 6,733 6,083 5,072	12,063 5,113 6,950 3,399 3,140 1,025 19,627 7,564 4,165 1,025 6,950 6,288 5,260	By all other retailers. By department stores and mailorder houses. By furniture and household appliance stores. By automobile dealers. Consumer instalment loan credit outstanding, cumulative totals: 1 Commercial and industrial banks. Small loan companies. Credit unions. Miscellaneous lenders. Insured repair and modernization loans.	7 7 7 7 8 8 8 8 8	874 764 614 443 4,811 2,483 1,538 1,107 785	986 864 698 501 4,935 2,534 1,575 1,125 798	995 881 727 550 5,113 2,605 1,627 1,153 818

JULY CROP REPORT, BY FEDERAL RESERVE DISTRICTS BASED ON ESTIMATES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, BY STATES, AS OF JULY 1, 1950 [In thousands of units]

	Ċo	ru	Total	wheat	Winter	wheat	Spring wheat		
Federal Reserve district	Production 1949	Estimate July 1, 1950	Production 1949	Estimate July 1, 1950	Production 1949	Estimate July 1, 1950	Production 1949	Estimate July 1, 1950	
	Bushels	Bushels	Bushels	Bushels	Bushels	Bushels	Bushels	Bush els	
Boston New York Philadelphia Cleveland Richmond Atlanta Chicago St. Louis Minneapolis Kansas City Dallas San Francisco Total	6,904 33,917 56,510 251,347 190,015 204,395 1,351,980 430,953 378,335 396,589 69,650 7,195	7,742 35,975 55,066 232,633 182,532 205,091 1,204,645 417,757 378,370 371,017 77,364 7,410	13,095 18,961 65,586 24,677 6,372 93,562 73,509 230,399 374,607 104,632 141,063	12,898 17,730 53,170 23,883 5,713 66,950 47,870 222,696 336,197 21,895 147,584	13,011 18,961 65,586 24,677 6,372 90,920 73,488 29,356 367,761 104,507 107,029	12,818 17,730 53,170 23,883 5,713 65,648 47,855 26,395 332,937 21,788 112,608		1,302 15 196,301 3,260 107 34,976	
				<u> </u>	<u> </u>			1	
	O _i	Oats		· Hay	Tob	acco	White potatoes		
Federal Reserve district	Production 1949	Estimate July 1, 1950	Production 1949	Estimate July 1, 1950	Production 1949	Estimate July 1, 1950	Production 1949	Estimate July 1, 1950	
	Bushels	Bushels	Tons	Tons	Pounds	Pounds	Bushels	Bushels	
Boston New York Philadelphia Clevcland Richmond Atlanta Chicago St. Louis Minneapolis Kansas City Dallas San Francisco	5,831 23,959 15,601 58,869 35,103 28,126 591,639 64,738 322,573 106,002 37,499 32,984	5,839 32,520 16,590 52,225 37,250 30,553 599,833 73,507 344,503 133,346 33,680 34,926	3,613 5,222 2,471 5,719 5,292 4,055 16,876 9,829 9,174 10,220 1,786 12,752	3,679 5,950 2,634 6,068 4,917 3,506 19,793 9,652 10,973 9,045 1,783 13,333	39,457 915 58,709 150,699 1,076,513 247,627 32,460 357,353 2,431 4,212	40,015 924 61,405 132,611 1,119,940 224,396 33,775 312,933 2,409 3,738	75,541 35,154 19,861 12,405 22,032 13,667 30,392 7,496 42,612 31,407 4,123 107,272	66,472 38,592 20,312 12,320 24,015 14,399 26,998 7,002 38,151 28,842 3,181	
Total	1,322,924	1,394,772	87,009	91,333	1,970,376	1,932,146	401,962	390,431	

Note.-1949 figures for tobacco are as revised in July 1950.

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¹ The figures shown here are cumulative totals, not aggregates for the individual components. Aggregates for each component may be derived by subtracting from the figure shown, the total immediately following it.

EARNINGS AND EXPENSES OF FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS FOR THE SIX-MONTH PERIOD ENDED JUNE 30, 1950

Discounts and advances	3 12,317,111 462 4,506
Discounts and advances. \$ 976,712 \$ 70,227 \$ 362,219 \$ 43,024 \$ 98,263 \$ 54,501 \$ 24,451 \$ 140,793 \$ 35,572 \$ 31,993 \$ 47,119 \$ 21,21 U.S. Government securities	3 12,317,111 462 4,506
U. S. Government securities	3 12,317,111 462 4,506
All other	4,506
Current Expenses Current Exp	12,369,415
Operating expenses: Salaries: Officers	
Salaries: Officers	
Salaries: Officers	
Directors' fees and expenses	2,266,040
penses	18,587
Postage and expressage	
Printing, stationery, and supplies. 1,830,035 171,106 356,993 118,682 138,395 113,519 116,611 301,961 110,851 63,220 96,808 91,403 118,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119,105 119	474,303 33,487 150,484 41,928
Depreciation (building). 689, 479 27,916 139,232 33,176 93,284 45,873 21,651 134,298 76,571 15,703 44,678 19,655 Light, heat, power, and water. 361,154 25,043 69,095 25,198 48,768 27,042 18,668 46,118 29,555 13,061 18,301 19,144 Repairs and alterations. 267,749 13,099 25,543 12,709 32,568 14,608 12,242 55,224 27,435 31,763 28,104 5,275 Rent. 132,268 630 3,988 3,206 3,828 9,589 33,727 2,251 660 4,617 4,344 Furniture and equipment. 682,433 97,778 254,569 31,644 50,140 26,069 16,989 95,129 44,601 5,901 20,144 29,692	37,438 21,159 9,175 65,428
All other	
Total operating expenses 41,888,378 2,968,635 9,026,913 2,501,725 3,731,479 2,809,228 2,220,048 6,347,505 2,543,825 1,410,621 2,365,832 2,116,326	3,846,241
Less reimbursement for certain fiscal agency and other expenses 8,050,892 467,318 1,525,241 427,215 640,315 463,971 453,984 1,405,166 470,169 273,727 513,752 527,293	882,737
Net operating expenses	2,963,504
Assessment for expenses of Board of Governors	
Original cost	
Total current expenses 38,661,519 2,833,786 8,717,272 2,389,762 3,472,962 2,648,111 2,097,199 5,787,692 2,313,298 1,239,275 2,030,812 1,721,868	3,409,482
Current net earnings	

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Tables on the following pages include the principal available statistics of current significance relating to gold, international capital transactions of the United States, and financial developments abroad. The data are compiled for the most part from regularly published sources such as central and commercial bank statements and official statistical bulletins, some data are reported to the Board directly. Figures on international capital transactions of the United States are collected by the Federal Reserve Banks from banks, bankers, brokers, and dealers in the United States in accordance with the Treasury Regulation of November 12, 1934. Back figures for all except price tables, together with descriptive text, may be obtained from the Board's publication, Banking and Monetary Statistics.

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INTERNATIONAL CAPITAL TRANSACTIONS OF THE UNITED STATES

NET CAPITAL MOVEMENT TO UNITED STATES SINCE JANUARY 2, 1935

[Net movement from United States, (-). In millions of dollars]

TABLE 1.-TOTAL CAPITAL MOVEMENT, BY TYPES

From Jan. 2, 1935, through			e in foreign I funds in U. S. Official 1		Increase in banking funds of international institutions in U.S.	Decrease in U. S. banking funds abroad	Foreign securities: Return of U.S. funds ²	Domestic securities: Inflow of foreign funds ²	Inflow in brokerage balances
1935—Dec. (Jan. 1, 1936). 1936—Dec. 30	1,440.7 2.667.4 3,501 1 3.933.0 5,112.8	631.5 989.5 1,259.3 1,513.9 2,522.4	38.0 140.1 334.7 327.0 634.1	593.5 849.4 924.6 1,186.9 1,888.3	in 0, 5.	361.4 431.5 449.1 510.1 650.4	125.2 316.2 583.2 641.8 725.7	316.7 917.4 1,162.0 1,219.7 1,133.7	6.0 12.9 47.5 47.6 80.6
1940—Dec. (Jan. 1, 1941). 1941—Dec. 31	5,807.9 5,354.1 5,980.2 7,267.1 7,728.4	3,239.3 2,979.6 3,465.5 4,644.8 4,865.2	1,281.1 1,177.1 1,557.2 2,610.0 2,624.9	1,958.3 1,802.6 1,908.3 2,034.8 2,240.3		775.1 791.3 888.8 877.6 805.8	803.8 855.5 848.2 925.9 1.019.4	888.7 626.7 673.3 701.1 911.8	100.9 100.9 104.4 117.8 126.3
1945—Dec. 31 1946—Dec. 31 1947—Dec. 31 1948—Dec. 31	8,343.7	6.144.5 5,272.3 4,120.3 5,119.5	3,469.0 2,333.6 1,121.8 2,126.0	2,675.5 2,938.7 2,998.5 2,993.6	453.8 2,242.0 1,844.3	742.7 427.2 186.5 116.8	972.8 1.237.9 1.276.9 1.182.1	798.7 464.5 375.5 183.3	144.1 153.7 142.4 123.1
1949—June 30. July 31. Aug. 31. Sept. 30. Oct. 31. Nov. 30. Dec. 31. 1950—Jan. 31. Feb. 28. Mar. 31. Apr. 30° May 31°	8,567.5 8,457.9 8,534.7 8,492.4 8,660.2 8,658.9 8,763.5 8,864.0 9,092.5 9,174.9 9,389.9 9,571.9	5,008.8 4,868.7 4,873.6 4,937.0 5,115.3 5,140.2 5,226.0 5,245.9 5,283.8 5,317.0 5,500.0 5,614.9	2,015.0 1,864.6 1,866.3 1,877.6 2,025.6 2,111.1 2,197.8 2,153.6 2,189.7 2,115.8 2,167.0 2,285.7	2,993.8 3,004.1 3,007.2 3,059.5 3,089.7 3,029.1 3,028.2 3,092.4 3,094.1 3,201.3 3,333.0 3,339.1	1,874.7 1,859.5 1,778.8 1,772.1 1,652.4 1,655.1 1,637.8 1,723.0 1,707.1 1,689.3 1,662.4	275.0 287.5 338.0 316.0 285.0 288.8 307.6 404.5 458.7 480.6 499.0 517.4	1,190.5 1,199.6 1,203.5 1,123.5 1,176.4 1,196.4 1,209.9 1,103.7 1,210.0 1,178.6 1,174.2	102.1 123.1 219.6 266.8 .264.4 257.1 258.5 263.8 310.1 379.3 423.6 452.3	116.3 119.5 121.2 127.0 126.8 121.3 123.7 123.0 122.8 130.0 130.6 125.2

TABLE 2.—TOTAL CAPITAL MOVEMENT, BY COUNTRIES

	Interna- tional in- stitutions	Total	United King- dom	France	Neth- er- lands	Switz- er- land	Italy	Other Europe	Total Europe	Can- ada	Latin America	Asiá	All other
1944—Dec. 31 1945—Dec. 31 1946—Dec. 31 1947—Dec. 31 1948—Dec. 31	453.8 2,067.3	8,802.8 7,555.7 6,276.4	892.5 563.1 437.0	464.2 384.8 234.3	506.2 539.7 326.4 213.8 103.0	722.3 766.1 839.3	106.5 287.5 150.1	1,172.5 1,311.8 1,246.3 1,100.6 1,122.2	4,037.0 3,574.2 2,975.1	1,395.7 979.7 688.6	1,193.7 1,338.4 1,474.0 1,383.4 1,503.6	1,784.1 1,258.3 984.3	203.0 247.5 269.6 244.9 234.9
1949—June 30. July 31. Aug. 31. Sept. 30. Oct. 31. Nov. 30. Dec. 31. 1950—Jan. 31. Apr. 30. Mar. 31. Apr. 30. May 31.	1,615.9 1,630.6 1,623.7 1,594.9 1,558.9 1,541.7 1,526.8 1,611.3 1,613.7	6,904.1 6,868.6 7,065.3 7,100.0 7,221.8 7,337.2 7,481.2 7,561.2 7,775.2	473.7 479.2 525.5 587.3 644.5 682.4 728.9 764.4 798.7 879.5	78,0 78.4 95.2 110.9 125.3 113.2 93.8 115.1 112.0 114.2	128.7 174.0 189.6 165.3 171.6 175.3 162.0	885.6 898.5 910.0 933.8 925.1 951.2 890.1	381.3 400.6 291.4 291.6 297.1 301.4 295.1 298.2		3,045.9 3,082.2 3,085.7 3,207.1 3,246.8 3,355.5 3,369.6 3,447.5	909.3 903.9 893.5 928.7 952.8 984.7 1,022.2 1,024.2 1,010.8 1,009.9	1,756.7 1,768.5 1,780.2 1,792.3 1,833.5 1,854.1 1,876.4	948.5 964.0 955.1 908.1 875.2 852.0 983.2 942.1 1,005.4	248.9 239.0 257.2 264.7 256.7

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Note.—Statistics reported by banks, bankers, brokers, and dealers. For full description of statistics see Banking and Monetary Statistics, pp. 558-560; for back figures through 1941 see Tables 161 and 162, pp. 574-637 in the same publication, and for those subsequent to 1941 see BULLETIN for February 1950, pp. 246-251. For revision of earlier figures to include movement in official Philippine accounts held with U. S. Treasury, see BULLETIN for July 1946, pp. 815-819. Certain of the figures in tables "Short-term Liabilities to and Claims on Foreigners Reported by Banks in the United States, by Countries" are not strictly comparable with the corresponding figures for preceding months owing to changes in reporting practice of various banks. The cumulative figures in Tables 1, 2, and 3 of "Net Capital Movement to United States" have been adjusted to exclude the unreal movements introduced by these changes. For further explanation see Banking and Monetary Statistics, pp. 578-591, and BULLETIN for March 1947, pp. 338-339, and September 1945, pp. 967-971.

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1 This category made up as follows: through Sept. 21, 1938, funds held by foreign central banks at the Federal Reserve Bank of New York and special deposit accounts held with the U. S. Treasury; beginning Sept. 28, 1938, also funds held at commercial banks in New York City by central banks maintaining accounts at the Federal Reserve Bank of New York; beginning July 17, 1940, also funds in accounts at the Federal Reserve Bank of New York which had been transferred from central bank to government names; beginning with the new series commencing with the month of July 1942, all funds held with banks and bankers in the United States by foreign central banks and by foreign central governments and their agencies (including official purchasing missions, trade and shipping missions, diplomatic and consular establishments, etc.), and also special deposit accounts held with the U. S. Treasury.
2 Beginning with 1947, these figures include transactions of international institutions, which are shown separately in Tables 5 and 6. Securities of such institutions are included in foreign securities.
3 The weekly series of capital movement statistics reported through July 1, 1042, was replaced by a monthly series commencing with July 1942.

The weekly series of capital movement statistics reported through July 1, 1942, was replaced by a monthly series commencing with July 1942. Since the old series overlapped the new by one day, the cumulative figures were adjusted to represent the movement through June 30 only. This adjustment, however, is incomplete since it takes into account only certain significant movements known to have occurred on July 1. Subsequent figures are based upon new monthly series. For further explanation see Bulletin for January 1943, p. 98.

INTERNATIONAL CAPITAL TRANSACTIONS OF THE UNITED STATES—Continued

NET CAPITAL MOVEMENT TO UNITED STATES SINCE JANUARY 2, 1935-Continued

[Net movement from United States, (-). In millions of dollars]

TABLE 3.—INCREASE IN FOREIGN BANKING FUNDS IN U. S., BY COUNTRIES

From Jan. 2, 1935, through—	Inter- national insti- tutions	Total	United King- dom	France	Neth- er- lands	Switz- er- land	Italy	Other Europe	Total Europe	Can- ada	Latin America	Asia	All other
1944—Dec. 31. 1945—Dec. 31. 1946—Dec. 31. 1947—Dec. 31. 1948—Dec. 31.	453.8 2,242.0	4,865.2 6,144.5 5,272.3 4,120.3 5,119.5	646 4 397.6 264.9	356.6 229 9 165.8 87.6 112.6	193.1 265.0 208.2 126.7 106.1	221.4 286.3 359.0 432.8 525.3	7.0 50.1 247.6 132.8 313.2	611.2 745.8 687.2 576.6 574.8	2,193.7 2,223.4 2,065.5 1,621.4 2,117.1	1,414.2 823.9	924.9 983.3 1,095.0	1,369.1 1.135.7 877.3	169.7 212.9 263.9 224.9 198.6
1949—June 30. July 31. Aug. 31. Sept. 30. Oct. 31. Nov. 30. Dec. 31. 1950—Jan. 31. Feb. 28. Mar. 31. Apr. 30°. May 31°.	1.859.5 1,778.8 1,722.1 1,692.4 1,655.1 1,637.8 1,723.0 1,707.1 1,689.3 1,662.4	5,008.8 4,868.7 4,873.6 4,937.0 5,115.3 5,140.2 5,226.0 5,245.9 5,283.8 5,317.0 5,500.0 5,614.9	290 2 291 1 377 6 451 3 495 3 513 0 548 1 571 9 601 8 682 5	114 2 84 0 70 3 86 8 103 8 103 0 91 4 72 2 79 3 76 9 80 0 106 1	104.3 113.6 102.0 149.1 166.3 146.3 153.9 160.7 152.5 160.9 178.9 202.9	557.9 531.1 538.2 545.1 563.2 554.0 563.3 493.8 497.0 562.1 584.1 586.1	364.0 367.0 381.0 265.5 266.3 275.4 283.3 276.4 282.3 245.7 236.5 253.2	514.4 514.2 516.4 501.0 507.4 512.0 553.7 575.8 603.9 594.8 609.0 608.6	2,003.8 1,900.1 1,899.0 1,925.1 2,058.3 2,086.0 2,158.7 2,127.1 2,186.8 2,242.1 2,371.1 2,497.2	640.7 635.0 719.6 702.8 717.0 761.1	1,246.4 1,197.8 1,294.9 1,317.5 1,315.1 1,264.9 1,267.2 1,269.5 1,284.0	888.3 897.0 878.9 835.9 803.9 780.4 801.5 846.7 846.3 912.9	215.6 208.8 196.2 215.7 223.3 215.8 210.7 241.0 217.8 209.6 195.1 202.7

TABLE 4.—DECREASE IN U. S. BANKING FUNDS ABROAD, BY COUNTRIES

From Jan. 2, 1935, through—	Total	United King- dom	France	Neth- er- lands	Switz- er- land	Italy	Other Europe	Total Europe	Can- ada	Latin America	Asia	All other
1944—Dec. 31	742.7 427.2	266.1 266.6 244.3 262.8 267.5	77 7 78 0 73 4 55 7 39 9	-17 7	5 2 -1 7 1 1	26.2 26.2 10.6 5.5 10.8	231.5 235.1 226.9 190.9 203.5	626.6 593.4 421.3 485.5 410.3	64.8 39.5 40.7 65.4 53.0	37 0 9.1 -58.8 -346.3 -348.6	99.2 29.9 2.0	3 1.5 -5.8 -20.1 -8.3
1949—June 30. July 31. Aug. 31. Sept. 30. Oct. 31. Nov. 30. Dec. 31. 1950—Jan. 31. Feb. 28. Mar. 31. Anr. 30** May 31**	338.0 316.0 285.0 288.8 307.6 404.5 458.7 480.6	275.0 271.5 277.1 235.2 225.6 237.2 254.8 259.4 267.7 268.3 268.7	-7.9 -6.0 9.8 10.9 11.0 26.9 27.2 27.6 43.1 43.7 43.2 58.1	14.4 12.7 11.8 12.6 12.3 13.4 16.0 14.2 14.3	1.8 1.9 4.5 4.1 3.5 4.3 2.5 2.6 3 1.9	5 .1 5.5 11.2 10.5 7 7 4.0 5.8 3.2 7.0 6.4 2.0	214.2 217 9 227.6 224.9 221.1 211.6 211.3 238.6 239.2 240.5 239.7 240.8	496.5 499.8 534.5 498.5 484.9 499.2 515.0 549.8 570.0 574.1 574.7 580.6	59.0 60.3 58.5 57.5 61.1 59.5 55.3 52.7 50.4 55.4 57.3 60.2	-255.2 -250.8 -242.3 -250.2 -250.2 -257.9 -243.1 -179.3 -143.4 -135.5 -127.8 -122.5	-14.2 -7.5 2.4 -4.4 -6.1 -10.6 .1 5.1 13.3 22.8	-7.4 -7.7 -5.2 -6.5 -6.4 -6.2 -9.0 -18.7 -23.4 -26.7 -28.2 -29.3

TABLE 5.—FOREIGN SECURITIES: RETURN OF U. S. FUNDS, BY COUNTRIES (Net Purchases by Foreigners of Foreign Securities Owned in U. S.)

From Jan. 2, 1935, through—	Inter- national insti- tutions	Total	United King- dom	France	Neth- er- lands	Switz- er- land	Italy	Other Europe	Total Europe	Can- ada	Latin America	Asia	All other
1944—Dec. 31 1945—Dec. 31 1946—Dec. 31 1947—Dec. 31 1948—Dec. 31	-249 3	972.8 1,237.9 1,526.2	117 7 96 8 94 9	51 0 51 2 50 2 47 1 42 9	33 6 33.0 26.0 -3.9 -9.1	44.5 45.2 31.2 16.3 -19.0	27.6 27.5 26.7 26.5 26.5	246.9 249.2 260.2 275.8 287.2	530.1 523.8 491.2 456.7 413.3	104.9 49.1 236.6 441.8 339.7	302.0 317.1 448.4 537.6 578.3	61.3 60.8 61.1 61.6 63.2	21.0 22.0 .7 28.4 36.9
1949—June 30. July 31. Aug. 31. Sept. 30. Oct. 31. Nov. 30. Dec. 31. 1950—Jan. 31. Feb. 28. Mar. 31. Apr. 30*P. May 31*P.	-265.3 -265.3 -265.3 -265.3 -265.3 -265.3 -365.8 -269.1 -267.7 -266.1		81.4 79.1 77.1 72.8 71.4 71.3 70.9 70.4 69.3	42.8 42.8 42.9 43.2 42.9 43.0 43.2 44.0 43.9 45.1 45.0	-10.0 -9.2 -9.5 -9.6 -9.7 -9.3 -15.1 -16.9 -14.5 -15.0	-15.4 -16.4 -14.1 -12.0 -9.2 -6.6 .1 2.4 4.5 8.2 11.0	27.0 27.1 27.1 26.9 26.9 27.0 27.0 27.0 27.1 27.1	295.0 295.4 296.2 306.1 307.4 308.1 311.7 313.4 314.4 314.9 315.5 316.1	420.3 421.1 421.7 431.7 431.1 433.2 444.1 443.0 443.8 448.9 453.3 455.3	344.4 350.3 352.4 260.5 312.9 330.0 329.1 320.9 326.9 286.5 270.6 289.8	588.8 591.0 591.8 593.5 594.6 595.4 598.5 601.9 604.1 606.5 606.9 609.8	63.9 63.9 63.9 63.9 64.0 64.0 64.1 64.1 64.1	38.4 38.6 39.1 39.1 39.2 39.2 39.5 39.8 40.1 40.3 45.4

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INTERNATIONAL CAPITAL TRANSACTIONS OF THE UNITED STATES—Continued

NET CAPITAL MOVEMENT TO UNITED STATES SINCE JANUARY 2, 1935-Continued

[Net movement from United States, (-). In millions of dollars]

TABLE 6.—DOMESTIC SECURITIES: INFLOW OF FOREIGN FUNDS, BY COUNTRIES (Net Purchases by Foreigners of U. S. Securities)

From Jan. 2, 1935, through—	Inter- national insti- tutions	Total	United King- dom	France	Neth- er- lands	Switz- er- land	Italy	Other Europe	Total Europe	Can- ada	Latin America	Asia	All other
1944—Dec. 31	74.5	798.7 464.5	-125.4 -157.9 -194.9 -203.8 -194.7	81.7 74.9 24.7	233.5 207.0	368.5 355.4 337.9 350.9 311.0	1.9 2.2 2.1 -15.0 -15.0	72.4 68.0 57.3 43.1 45.7	633.7 582.9 484.3 308.7 118.4	-28.1 -126.6 -143.0 -139.8 -132.3	81.3 87.6 84.2	240.5 251.3 26.8 36.8 13.6	10.7 9.9 8.8 11.0 7.2
1949—June 30. July 31. Aug. 31. Sept. 30. Oct. 31. Nov. 30. Dec. 31. 1950—Jan. 31. Feb. 28. Mar. 31. Apr. 30** May 31**	21.7 117.0 166.9 167.9 169.1 169.6 173.2 192.1 218.4	102.5 99.9 96.5 88.0 89.3 94.1	-188.7 -186.5 -185.2 -182.1 -179.9 -176.6 -173.9 -166.2 -163.1 -158.8 -158.2 -147.8	-58.8 -60.7 -61.7 -63.0 -63.8 -64.9 -65.7 -66.7 -69.1 -69.4	15.2 14.2 13.2 10.1 5.7 4.0 2.8 1.1 .9	342.8 346.0 349.5 348.1 348.7 348.9 355.2 363.7 359.1 355.9 357.8 364.4	-14.4 -13.5 -13.5 -12.9 -12.7 -13.5 -13.4 -14.7 -14.9 -14.8 -15.1 -20.5	45.4 45.2 45.1 46.2 46.5 46.3 47.9 47.4 49.5 60.4 65.4 64.1	143.1 147.6 149.5 150.8 149.7 147.2 154.9 167.2 165.0 174.5 179.1 188.6	-168.6 -162.5 -163.0 -165.0 -168.1 -172.3 -181.3 -184.6 -136.1 -101.9 -76.6 -74.8	104.9 104.2 102.8 101.0 99.1 96.9 93.6 90.0 95.1 96.9	10.0 3.2 3.4 3.2 5.8 6.8 11.5 10.6 10.4 11.2 -2.8 -3.5	8.3 8.4 8.1 8.0 7.2 7.4 7.3 7.5 8.3 8.7

TABLE 7.—INFLOW IN BROKERAGE BALANCES, BY COUNTRIES (The Net Effect of Increases in Foreign Brokerage Balances in U. S. and of Decreases in Balances Held by Brokers and Dealers in U. S. with Brokers and Dealers Abroad)

From Jan. 2, 1935, through—	Total	United King- dom	France	Neth- er- lands	Switz- er- land	Italy	Other Europe	Total Europe	Can- ada	Latin America	Asia	All other
1944—Dec. 31	144.1 153.7	18.5 19.8 19.2 18.2 17.0	23.1 23.4 20.5 19.1 16.7	22.3 26.0 17.5 12.7 9.3	23.0 30.3 39.6 38.2 27.5	.3 .4 .4 .3 .4	10.4 13.6 14.7 14.2 11.0	97.7 113.6 112.0 102.7 81.9	16.2 19.5 21.5 19.6 19.6	5.1 5.9 13.4 12.9 14.0	5.6 3.8 4.8 6.6 7.0	1.8 1.3 2.0 .7 .6
1949—June 30. July 31. Aug. 31. Sept. 30. Oct. 31. Nov. 30. Dec. 31. 1950—Jan. 31. Feb. 28. Mar. 31. Apr. 30°. May 31°.	119.5 121.2 127.0 126.8 121.3 123.7 123.0 122.8 130.0	17.2 17.1 17.1 17.7 17.5 17.1 16.3 17.1 17.0 17.3	16.4 16.1 16.1 16.0 16.2 16.2 15.8 15.5 15.3	10.0 9.6 9.3 9.6 10.3 10.6 9.6 11.0 11.1 11.3 11.1	23.5 23.2 22.8 24.4 27.0 25.3 28.4 27.8 26.8 27.8 29.0 27.0	.55 .66 .56 .66 .66 .55 .55	11.1 10.9 11.7 11.4 11.4 11.1 10.7 10.4 10.3	78.7 77.3 77.5 79.7 83.0 81.2 82.9 82.5 81.8 82.4 83.7 82.2	18.9 20.5 20.9 21.0 19.9 18.3 20.5 21.8 17.7 21.2 21.5	10.5 13.5 14.9 18.8 16.4 14.5 12.7 11.2 15.7 18.5 16.3 12.3	7.4 7.3 7.2 6.8 6.9 6.8 6.7 6.9 7.2 8.3	.8 .6 .7 .7 .7 .8 .8 .8 .7 .8

SHORT-TERM LIABILITIES TO AND CLAIMS ON FOREIGNERS REPORTED BY BANKS IN THE UNITED STATES, BY COUNTRIES

[Amounts outstanding, in millions of dollars]

LIABILITIES TO FOREIGNERS

	In- terna-		foreign tries ²	United		Neth-	Switz-		Other	Total	Can-	-Latin		All
Date	tional insti- tutions	Official and private	Official	King- dom	France	er- Iands	er- land ³	Italy	Europe		ada	America	Asia	other
1944—Dec. 31 1945—Dec. 31 1946—Dec. 31 1947—Dec. 31 1948—Dec. 31 1949—June 30 July 31 Aug. 31 Sept. 30 Oct. 31 Nov. 30 Dec. 31 1950—Jan. 31 Feb. 28 Mar. 31 Apr. 30p May 31p	473.7 2,262.0 1,864.3 1,894.6 1,879.5 1,742.1 1,712.3 1,675.0 1,657.0 1,742.9 1,727.0 1,709.2 1,682.4	6,883.1 6,006.5 4,854.4 5,853.7 5,743.0 5,602.9 5,607.7 5,671.2 5,849.4 5,874.3 5,960.2 5,980.1 6,015.2	3,043,9 1,832,1 2,836,3 2,725,3 2,574,9 2,576,6 2,587,9 2,735,9 2,821,4 2,908,1 2,863,8 2,900,0 2,826,0 2,877,3	865.7 707.7 458.9 326.2 546.3 410.5 351.6 352.4 438.9 512.6 6556.7 574.4 609.5 633.2 743.8 801.7	310.0 245.9 167.7 192.8 194.3 164.1 150.4 166.9 183.9 183.1 171.6 152.3 159.4 157.0 160.1	281.6 224.9 143.3 122.8 120.9 130.2 118.7 165.7 182.9 162.9 170.5 177.3 169.1 177.6	239.3 304.2 372.6 446.4 538.9 571.5 554.7 555.7 576.8 567.6 576.9 507.9 510.6 575.7 597.8	27.3 70.4 267.9 153.1 333.5 384.3 401.3 285.9 286.6 295.7 303.6 296.7 302.6 266.0 256.8 273.5	774.5 909.1 850.5 739.8 738.1 677.6 677.4 679.6 664.2 670.7 675.3 717.0 767.2 758.1 772.3 771.8	2,517.8 2,583.0 2,420.7 1,976.7 2,472.4 2,359.1 2,254.3 2,254.3 2,254.3 2,280.3 2,413.6 2,441.6 2,441.2 2,513.9 2,482.3 2,512.9 2,482.3 2,512.9 2,482.3 2,512.9 2,482.3 2,512.9 2,482.3 2,512.9 2,482.3 2,512.9 2,482.3 2,512.9	1,522.2 931.8 409.6 775.2 779.7 748.7 742.9 827.5 810.8 829.1 919.4 857.2 857.2	1,046.4 1,104.8 1,216.6 1,287.0 1,338.5 1,352.3 1,367.9 1,367.9 1,416.5 1,439.0 1,436.7 1,388.7 1,388.7 1,391.1 1,405.5	1,316.4 1,057.9 1,151.8 1,081.3 1,068.9 1,077.6 1,016.5 984.5 961.0 982.2 1,027.3 1,026.3 1,026.3 1,023.6	181.8 232.8 193.7 167.4 184.4 177.6 165.0 184.5 192.1 184.5 192.1 184.6 179.5 209.8 186.6 178.4

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Amounts outstanding (in millions of dollars): foreign brokerage balances in U. S., 74.5; U. S. brokerage balances abroad, 26.2.

Country breakdown is for "Official and private."

Beginning January 1950, excludes Bank for International Settlements, included in "International institutions" as of that date.

INTERNATIONAL CAPITAL TRANSACTIONS OF THE UNITED STATES—Continued SHORT-TERM LIABILITIES TO AND CLAIMS ON FOREIGNERS REPORTED BY BANKS IN THE UNITED STATES, BY COUNTRIES—Continued

[Amounts outstanding, in millions of dollars]

LIABILITIES TO FOREIGNERS—SUPPLEMENTARY DATA Other Europe

Date	Other Europe		Bel- gium	Czech- oslo- vakia	Den- mark	Fin- land	Ger- many ¹	Greece	Nor- way	Po- land	Por- tugal	Ru- mania	Spain	Swe- den	USSR	Yugo- slavia	All other ²
1944—Dec. 31. 1945—Dec. 31. 1946—Dec. 31. 1947—Dec. 31. 1948—Dec. 31.	. 909.1 . 850.5 . 739.8		124.3 185.0 159.5 124.9 128.7		14.8 25.9 66.5 52.8 44.7	7.1 5.5 22.2 30.5 19.1	6.8 7.0 7.1 89.5 178.9		220.8 216.1 123.5 56.2 77.7		54.5 47.9 39.0 47.1 37.7	9.5 9.3 8.9 8.7 7.0	43.4 31.7 16.4 12.8 13.6	152.1 210.1 172.6 58.6 49.0	16.1 28.0 60.5 73.7 21.3	5.7 5.7 12.4 12.1 19.9	70.7 66.0 112.5 138.2 119.3
1949—June 30. July 31. Aug. 31. Sept. 30. Oct. 31. Nov. 30. Dec. 31. 1950—Jan. 31. Feb. 28. Mar. 31. Apr. 30p May 31p	. 677 . 4 . 679 . 6 . 664 . 2 . 670 . 7 . 675 . 3 . 717 . 0 . 739 . 0 . 767 . 2 . 758 . 1 . 772 . 3	44.3 44.0 42.9 39.3 39.2	117.5 142.2 126.7 125.3 117.7 r119.9	17.7 17.3 12.3 13.3	32.8 33.7 32.0 31.8 31.8 35.4 38.0 35.2 29.3 33.0 32.0	17.4 17.7 17.1 15.5 24.0 25.1 23.8	160.0 169.6 150.2 147.8 145.2 141.6 149.4 149.7 164.6 180.2 184.9 199.7	28.5 27.0 25.0 24.7 23.3 23.7 29.6 30.3 31.6 32.4 35.1 36.9	69.0 65.9 62.4 60.8 62.6 66.4 69.4 76.4 82.2 79.3 82.4 76.9	6.0 6.7 6.1 6.3 4.9	33.0 33.8 30.3 31.3 33.9 38.1 40.0 39.2 35.8 35.0 36.9	6.9 6.8 6.8 7.1 6.7 6.7 6.5 6.4 6.1 6.2	9.8 11.3 8.2 9.6 10.8 10.7 15.7 14.0 11.3 11.5 10.5	55.8 57.9 61.0 62.0 69.2 78.6 90.1 101.9 106.1 107.6 109.2	12.4 8.7 10.5 11.3 11.9 8.2 10.2 9.4 11.1 13.9 15.7 16.0	6.8 5.3 6.4 9.1 13.6 10.4 7.6 7.1 5.8 6.6 7.0 6.2	120.4 122.5 126.9 125.1 120.9 118.0 117.4 58.5 57.9 58.5 58.2 54.9 58.5
							Latin	Amer	ica								
Date	Latin Amer- ica	Argen- tina	Bo- livia	Brazil	Chile	Co- lom- bia	Cuba	Do- min- ican Re- pub- lic	Guate- mala	Mex-	Neth- er- lands West Indies and Suri-	Peru	Re- pub- lic of Pan- ama	El Sal- vador	Uru- guay	Vene- zuela	Other Latin Amer- ica ³

Date Latin Amer- ica	Argen- tina	Bo- livia	Rrazil	Chile	Co- lom- bia	Cuba	min- ican Re- pub- lic	Guate- mala	Mex- ico	lands West Indies and Suri- nam	Peru	Republic of Panama	El Sal- vador	Uru- guay	Vene- zuela	Other Latin Amer- ica ³
1944—Dec. 31. 909.3 1945—Dec. 31. 1,046.4 1946—Dec. 31. 1,104.5 1947—Dec. 31. 1,216.6 1948—Dec. 31. 1,287.6	112.6 236.2	14 5 14 0 17 8	140.8 195.1 174.0 104.7 123.7	55.0 66.3 50.7 46.3 55.6	79.2 57.8 46 1	139.3 128.3 153.5 234.7 219.4				36.0 28.2 16.1 14.9 24.3	27.7 43.9 40.9 41.8 52.6	69.1 88.7 77.2 70.3 71.8			49.7 74.0 78.0	131.6 158.8 181.8 186.5 184.1
1949—June 30. 1,338 July 31. 1,352 Aug. 31. 1,367 Sept. 30. 1,319 Oct. 31. 1,416 Nov. 30. 1,439 Dec. 31. 1,436 1950—Jan. 31. 1,386 Mar. 31. 1,391 Apr. 30p 1,405 May 31p 1,370	3 229.4 9 228.6 3 221.7 5 227.7 9 233.7 7 201.1 1 210.2 7 219.3 1 221.2 227.0	14.9 14.4 16.2 15.7 13.2 13.5 13.9 13.0 13.1	115.9 118.1 128.0 145.0 165.0 216.9 192.8 164.4 143.8 141.1 121.6 99.2	56.3 65.1 57.9 58.1 59.5 54.9 60.9 57.5 70.1 70.4 73.2 68.6	59.8 49.0 51.0 57.6 70.1 85.9 97.3 90.6 80.0 70.1	167.7 174.8 187.7 179.6 181.7 178.4 164.2 169.7 176.9 185.4 212.1 224.2		25.8 26.7 27.6 28.2	184.2 185.7 195.0 214.6 184.1	24.1 24.3 29.1 27.8 30.5 23.5 25.9 26.5 25.4 26.5 28.4	52.9 55.9 58.3 59.4 61.4 53.3 52.8 48.7 46.4 51.6 47.1 46.3	70.0 63.1 64.6 69.1 72.7 74.2 74.3 73.8 77.7 81.4 81.3 80.8		62.3 57.4 58.0 59.0	162.0 161.2 99.4 160.4 129.2	204.9 221.6 213.6 207.9 198.6 196.6 207.4 63.4 67.8 67.5 68.2 67.4

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Date	Asia	China and Man- chu- ria	Hong Kong	India	Indo- nesia	Iran	Israel	Japan	Phil- ippine Re- public	Thai- land	Tur- key	Other Asia ⁴	All other	Aus- tralia	Bel- gian Congo	Egypt and Anglo- Egyp- tian Sudan	Union of South Africa	Other [§]
1944—Dec. 31. 1945—Dec. 31. 1946—Dec. 31. 1947—Dec. 31. 1948—Dec. 31.	1,549.7 1,316.4 1,057.9	582.3 431.9 229.9	27.4 44.9 39.8	33.4 43.5 62.4	110.5 113.7 127.1 69.3 41.5	.		4.0 4.1 16.6 31.3 81.4	629.1 446.6 488.6		52.5	107.2 151.0 99.0	193.7	28.9 45.5 30.6		18.9 20.8	6.4 47.2 46.4	127.7 119.3 91.8
1949—June 30. July 31. Aug. 31. Sept. 30. Oct. 31. Nov. 30. Dec. 31. 1950—Jan. 31. Feb. 28. Mar. 31. Appr. 30* May 31*	1,068.9 1,077.6 1,059.5 1,016.5 984.5 961.0 982.2 1,027.3 1,026.9 1,093.6	125.3 123.7 124.1 116.3 113.4 110.6 110.1 112.3 103.5 98.5	78.9 80.9 82.3 81.5 83.3 83.9 89.9 90.6 88.8	54.2 69.1 59.9 52.6 56.4 63.3 69.5 61.8 63.3	27,1 29.0 27.2 20.5 17.8 15.7 12.2 29.2 27.6 36.4	16.8 16.4 17.5 16.5		144.2 152.8 161.5 189.5 204.8 214.6 238.8 252.2 276.5 329.4	363.7 348.4 334.1 306.3 297.3 286.1 289.4 288.2 294.4	24.3 22.6 23.5 27.4	18.2 13.6 15.1 12.1 10.0 9.8 12.0 14.4 10.4	253.6 244.8 241.0 209.9 192.4 165.7 101.5 103.5 104.2 99.3	165.0 184.5 192.1 184.6 179.5 209.8	22.3 20.2 31.7 44.0 39.4 32.4 29.8 25.1 20.5	27.2 28.3 30.0 31.8	58.7 60.2 58.3 61.6 72.8 58.4 57.3 56.2	7.3 6.7 5.8 5.7 6.9 6.0 22.9 21.3 15.8 6.6	98.4 88.2 88.4 82.2 79.9 79.5 57.1 53.6 54.7 51.8

Preliminary. Revised.

Beginning March 1947, figures include balances in accounts opened by occupation authorities for foreign trade purposes.

Beginning January 1950, excludes Austria, Czechoslovakia, and Poland, reported separately as of that date.

Beginning January 1950, excludes Dominican Republic, Guatemala, El Salvador, and Uruguay, reported separately as of that date.

Beginning January 1948, includes Pakistan, Burma, and Ceylon, previously included with India. Beginning January 1950, excludes Iran, Israel, and Thailand, reported separately as of that date.

Beginning January 1950, excludes Belgian Congo, reported separately as of that date.

INTERNATIONAL CAPITAL TRANSACTIONS OF THE UNITED STATES—Continued

SHORT-TERM LIABILITIES TO AND CLAIMS ON FOREIGNERS REPORTED BY BANKS IN THE UNITED STATES, BY COUNTRIES—Continued

[Amounts outstanding, in millions of dollars]

CLAIMS ON FOREIGNERS

Date	Total	United King- dom	France	Neth- er- lands	Switz- er- land	Italy	Other Europe	Total Europe	Can- ada	Latin Amer- ica	Asia	All
1944—Dec. 31	392.8 708.3	25.4 47.7 29.2	1.4 1.1 5.7 23.4 119.0	.3 36.3 151.0 49.1 51.4	1.3 2.9 9.8 7.0 6.9	.3 3 16.0 21.1 15.8	78.3 74.6 82.8 118.9 106.3	107 5 140 7 312 9 248.6 323.8	28.1 53.3 52.2 27.5 39.8	131.0 158.9 226.8 514.3 516.6	51.4 29.9 99.2 127.0 118.8	11.7 9.9 17.2 31.5 19.7
1949—June 30. July 31. Aug. 31. Sept. 30. Oct. 31. Nov. 30. Dec. 31. 1950—Jan. 31. Feb. 28. Mar. 31. Apr. 30°. May 31°.	848.0 797.5 819.5 850.5 846.7 827.9 1724.8 670.6 648.7	20.5 14.9 56.8 66.4 54.8 37.2 32.6 24.3 23.7 23.3	86.9 85.0 69.3 68.2 68.1 52.2 51.8 51.5 36.0 35.4 35.9 21.0	4.7 4.2 6.0 6.9 6.1 6.3 5.2 2.7 4.4 4.3 3.7 4.5	6.3 6.2 3.6 4.0 4.8 5.5 7.5 7.3	27.1 26.4 21.1 15.3 16.0 18.8 22.6 20.7 23.3 19.6 20.2 24.5	95.6 91.9 82.2 84.9 88.7 98.5 165.0 64.4 63.1 64.0 62.8	237 6 234 3 199.6 235.7 249.2 234.9 219.2 178.2 158.0 153.9 153.3 147.4	33.9 32.6 34.4 35.4 31.8 33.0 37.6 40.2 42.4 37.5 35.5 32.7	423.1 418.8 410.3 403.9 418.2 425.9 411.1 347.3 311.4 303.5 295.7 290.5	147.0 143.2 136.6 126.7 133.5 135.2 139.7 129.0 124.0 115.7 106.2 100.7	18.8 19.1 16.6 17.9 17.8 17.6 20.4 30.1 34.8 38.1 39.6 40.7

CLAIMS ON FOREIGNERS—SUPPLEMENTARY DATA

Other Europe

Date	Other Europe	Aus- tria	Bel- gium	Czech- oslo- vakia	Den- mark	Fin- land	Ger- many	Greece	Nor- way	Po- land	Por- tugal	Ru- mania	Spain	Swe- den	USSR	Yugo- slavia	All other ²
1944—Dec. 31 1945—Dec. 31 1946—Dec. 31 1947—Dec. 31 1948—Dec. 31	74.6 82.8 118.9		.7 .6 7 5 15.0 21.4		(3) (3) .5 2.2 .6	(3) (3) 6.2 8.0 3.4	33.9 33.9 30.4 30.5 30.5	.6 .7 12.4 10.6 1.2	35.1 31.6 3.3 9.2 8.4		.8 5 1.0 1.1	(3) .1 .1 (3) (3)	1.8 1.6 7.2 .9 2.9	.2 .9 4.9 5.4 1.4	(3) (3) (3) .1	(3) (3) (3) (3) (6.0	5.2 4.8 9.5 35.9 29.8
1949—June 30 July 31 Aug. 31 Sept. 30 Oct. 31 Nov. 30 Dec. 31 1950—Jan. 31 Apr. 30 Apr. 30 May 31	91.9 82.2 84.9 88.7 98.2 98.5 165.0 64.4 63.1 64.0	1.2 .2 .7 .2 .1	17.9 13.6 14.1	(3) (3) ,1 .1	1.1 .9 1.0 .7 .7 .7 .4 .5 .5	4.8 4.9 5.5 6.6 8.6 9.2 8.2 4.9 3.5 2.4 2.1	29.8 29.9 29.7 30.3 30.0 30.0 125.5 25.6 25.3 25.5	1.0 1.0 .7 .8 .8 .7 .7 .2 .2 .2 .1	7.9	.5 .1 .1 .1 .1	5 5 4 4 5 7 5 7 6 8 8 9	12.0 10.7 8.2 7.1 7.0 7.0 (3) (3) (3) (3)	4.2 3.3 2.5 3.8 3.8 6.1 7.0 6.7 7.9 6.6 7.7	1.5 1.4 1.8 2.1 2.3 3.4 3.1 2.4 2.8	(3) (3) (3) (3) (3) (3) (3) (3) (3) (3)	(3) (6) 	13.3 13.2 11.1 11.2 11.5 16.7 15.6 4.8 5.2 4.4 4.6

Latin America

Date	Latin Amer- ica	Argen- tina	Bo- livia	Brazil	Chile	Co- lom- bia	Cuba	Do- min- ican Re- pub- lic	Guate- mala	Mex- ico	Neth- er- lands West Indies and Suri- nam	Peru	Republic of Panama	El Sal- vador	Uru- guay	Vene- zuela	Other Latin Amer- ica 4
1944—Dec. 31 1945—Dec. 31 1946—Dec. 31 1947—Dec. 31 1948—Dec. 31	158.9 226.8 514.3	21.0 41.8	1.8 1.3 2.3 2.0 2.7	25.3 24.7 49.8 165.8 165.4	9.0 6.6 14.6 27.8 15.2	15.5 16.8 26.4 32.6 32.6	47.4 33.3 25.7 108.6 83.1			8.6 11.0 25.5 52.2 73.8	.3 .5 .8 1.1 1.5	1.2 1.9 3.7 4.3 4.4	.8 1.1 1.3 4.7 4.6			5.1 6.1 8.7 15.3 26.0	12.9 34.7 26.2 34.5 34.7
1949—June 30. July 31. Aug 31. Sept. 30. Oct. 31. Nov. 30. Dec. 31. 1950—Jan. 31. Feb. 28. Mar. 31. Apr. 30° May 31°	418.8 410.3 403.9 418.2 425.9 411.1 347.3	54.4 55.3 54.1 53.6 51.3 47.8 44.7 46.5	2.7 2.2 2.3	155.0 158.9 160.5 162.2 165.1 161.9 136.9 99.2 81.3 75.2 67.4 58.8	12.2 10.9 11.8 11.4 12.0 11.7 15.5 14.1 9.3 7.9 5.6 5.2	37.7 32.1 24.4 22.6 22.6 22.3 21.1 19.9 21.0 24.1 26.8 31.8	21.0 20.3 17.6 17.5 20.0 26.4 27.5 27.1 21.5 17.6 17.1 21.4	1.8 1.7 1.7 1.7		68.3 67.2 68.0 64.1 66.4 72.0 73.0 50.3 46.3 46.4 41.9	1.1 1.1 1.1 3.0 1.2 1.3 1.1 1.1	6.1 7.9 6.4 6.3 5.8 6.5 6.6 6.2 6.8 8.5	4.5 4.6 4.6 5.4 5.3 4.3 4.6 4.9 4.8 5.0	6.5 5.3 4.2 3.8 3.8	9.0 8.1 13.2 10.5 8.0	23.7 23.0 22.4 22.3 23.0 23.6 25.6 25.3 26.0 24.6 26.5 26.3	33.0 34.5 34.5 34.9 36.8 39.6 43.1 23.3 22.3 21.6 22.0 21.0

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Preliminary.
 Figure not strictly comparable with the corresponding figures for preceding months due to write-off of claim on Germany amounting to \$6,121,000. The cumulative figures in Tables 1, 2, and 4 of "Net Capital Movement to United States" have been adjusted to exclude the unreal movement introduced by this change.
 Beginning January 1950, excludes Austria, Czechoslovakia, and Poland, reported separately as of that date.
 Less than \$50,000.
 Beginning January 1950, excludes Dominican Republic, Guatemala, El Salvador, and Uruguay, reported separately as of that date.

INTERNATIONAL CAPITAL TRANSACTIONS OF THE UNITED STATES—Continued

SHORT-TERM LIABILITIES TO AND CLAIMS ON FOREIGNERS REPORTED BY BANKS IN THE UNITED STATES, BY COUNTRIES—Continued

[Amounts outstanding, in millions of dollars]

CLAIMS ON FOREIGNERS—SUPPLEMENTARY DATA

Asia and All Other

Date	Asia	China and Man- chu- ria	Hong Kong	India	Indo- nesia	Iran	Israel	Japan	Phil- ippine Re- public	Thai- land	Tur- key	Other Asia ¹	All other	Aus- tralia	Bel- gian Congo	Egypt and Anglo- Egyp- tian Sudan	Union of South Africa	Other ²
1944—Dec. 31 1945—Dec. 31 1946—Dec. 31 1947—Dec. 31 1948—Dec. 31	51.4 29.9 99.2 127.0 118.8	1.0 53.9 40.8	.9 .8 5.9 2.6 3.4	12.0 29.6	1.4 1.0 .5			.5 .2 .9 15.9	13.8 20.2 27.4		1.8 2.0 1.4 17.7 1.4		9,9	1.7 3.4 9.0		.2 .3 .4 .1	9.7 4.7 10.1 14.4 7.9	
1949—June 30 July 31 Aug. 31 Sept. 30 Oct. 31 Nov. 30 Dec. 31 1950—Jan. 31 Feb. 28 Mar. 31 Apr. 30p May 31p.	126.7 133.5 135.2	16.8 17.8 18.0 16.5 16.3 16.6 17.0 15.1 19.4 23.4	3.7 3.4 3.8 4.2 3.7 4.1 4.2 4.3 4.1	20.0 19.7 16.8	1.2 .5 .4 .4 .2 .2 .2 .1 .2	13,6	11.8 12.5 13.3 12.0	17.9 7.7 1.9	25.3 27.5 24.6 25.5 25.9 23.2 22.8 22.4 22.0 19.7	2.4 1.9 1.2	.9 11.7 14.5 19.4 14.3 15.7 14.3 10.5 9.9 5.9 4.8	33.0 30.8 31.4 34.4 44.1 46.5 50.3 12.0 8.5 9.3 7.9	19.1	5.0 4.5 4.6 4.8 5.4 7.9 10.4 15.5 18.9 20.1	3.55 3.57 3.76	4 .6 .2 .4 .5 .6 .2 .2 .2 .3 .4 .3	4.5 11.3	9.2 8.3 8.9 8.8 8.0 7.7 4.6 4.3

Preliminary.
 Beginning January 1948, includes Pakistan, Burma, and Ceylon, previously included with India.
 Beginning January 1950, excludes Iran,
 Israel, and Thailand, reported separately as of that date.
 Beginning January 1950, excludes Belgian Congo, reported separately as of that date.
 Less than \$50,000.

GOLD PRODUCTION

OUTSIDE U. S. S. R.

[In millions of dollars]

	Dati- at a					Pre	duction	reported	monthly	,				
Year or	Estimated world production	Total		Afı	ica			Nor	th and So	outh Ame	erica		Otl	ıer
month	ontside U.S.S.R.1	reported monthly	South Africa	Rho- desia	West Africa ²	Belgian Congo ³	United States	Can- ada	Mex- ico	Colom- bia	Chile	Nica- ragua ⁵	Austra- lia	India ³
		<u></u>		\$1 = 155,	21 grains	of gold 9	/10 fine: i	. e., an o	unce of fi	ne gold =	\$35.			
July	1,125.7 871.5 784.0 738.5 752.5 766.5 791.0	r63.5	504.3 494.4 448.2 429.8 427.6 392.0 405.7 34.3 35.8 35.7 34.8 35.7 34.0 34.0 34.2 32.0 35.1 33.3 35.5	27.8 26.6 23.0 20.7 19.9 18.3 18.0 1.5 1.6 1.5 1.5 1.5 1.5	32.4 29.2 19.7 18.4 18.9 20.5 19.3 23.4 23.1 1.9 1.9 1.9 2.0 2.0 2.0 2.0 2.0 2.0	19.6 18.0 15.8 12.7 12.1 11.6 10.8 11.1 1.2 1.1 1.2 1.1 1.0 1.1	209 .2 131.0 48.8 35.8 32.5 75.8 767.3 75.3 76.3 76.3 77.1 77.2 76.4 75.9 5.5 6.1 76.8	187.1 169.4 127.8 102.3 94.4 99.1 107.5 123.5 143.9 11.6 12.0 11.4 12.7 12.8 12.7 12.8 12.7 12.8 12.7 12.8 12.7 12.8 12.7 12.8 12.7 12.8 12.7 12.8 12.7 12.8 12.7 12.8 12.7 12.8 12.7 12.8 12.7 12.8 12.7 12.8 12.7 12.8 12.7 12.8 12.7 12.8 12.7 12.8 12.7 12.8 12.7 12.8 12.7 12.8 12.8 12.8 12.8 12.8 12.8 12.8 12.8	28.0 28.0 22.1 17.8 17.7 16.3 12.9 14.2 1.8 1.6 1.0 1.4 1.6 1.9	23.0 20.9 19.8 19.4 17.7 15.3 13.4 11.7 12.6 1.0 1.0 1.0 1.0 1.0 1.0 1.0 1.0 1.0 1.0	9.3 6.4 6.1 7.1 6.3 8.1 5.9 5.7 6.3 .5 .6 .6 .5 .6	7.5 8.6 7.79 7.04 7.4 7.7 6.6 6.7 7.6 6.7 7.7 6.7	52.4 40.4 26.3 23.0 23.9 32.8 31.3 2.5 3.7 2.3 2.5 2.6 2.7 2.9 2.6 2.3 2.3 2.3 2.3	10.0 9.1 8.66 5.9 4.66 6.55 5.7 6.66 6.55 5.5 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55 6.55

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Gold production in U. S. S. R.: No regular Government statistics on gold production in U. S. S. R. are available, but data of percentage changes irregularly given out by officials of the gold mining industry, together with certain direct figures for past years, afford a basis for estimating annual production as follows: 1934, 135 million dollars; 1935, 158 million; 1936, 187 million; 1937, 185 million; and 1938, 180 million.

1 Estimates of United States Bureau of Mines.

2 Beginning 1942, figures reported by American Bureau of Metal Statistics.

3 Reported by American Bureau of Metal Statistics.

4 Includes Philippine production received in United States through 1945. Yearly figures are estimates of United States Mint. Monthly figures are estimates of American Bureau of Metal Statistics, those for 1949 having been revised by subtracting from each monthly figure \$217,251 so that the aggregate for the year is equal to the yearly estimate compiled by the United States Mint.

3 Gold exports, reported by the Banco Nacional de Nicaragua, which states that they represent approximately 90 per cent of total production.

Note:—For explanation of table and courses see Bull-Little (1948 p. 231; and Baybing and Mondary Statistics, p. 524. For annual

Note.—For explanation of table and sources, see Bulletin for June 1948, p. 731; and Banking and Monetary Statistics, p. 524. For annual estimates compiled by the United States Mint for these and other countries in the period 1910-1941, see Banking and Monetary Statistics, pp. 542-543.

REPORTED GOLD RESERVES OF CENTRAL BANKS AND GOVERNMENTS

(In millions of dollars)

						[In mi	illion	s of do	llars									
End of month	United Treas- ury	l States Total 1	Ar- gen- tina	Be giu		razil	Can	ada³	Chil	e lo	Co- nbia 4	Cui	ba	Czec slo val	o- ∣	Dei mai		Egypt
1945—Dec 1946—Dec 1947—Dec 1948—Dec	20,065 20,529 22,754 24,244	20,083 20,706 22,868 24,399	1,07	2 7.	35 97	354 354 354 317	5· 2'	61 43 94 08	82 65 45 43	5	127 145 83 51	19 22 27 28	26 79		61 61	3	8 8 8 2 2	52 53 53 53
1949—July	24,520 24,608 24,602 24,584 24,479 24,427 24,395 24,345 24,246 24,247 24,231 24,231	24,705 24,771 24,728 24,626 24,563 24,507 24,456 24,350 24,350 24,340 24,331		77 77 69 66 66	18 15 20 09 98 79 79 82 79	317 317 317 317 317 317 317 317 317 317	4. 4. 4. 5. 5. 5.	36 48 60 70 84 96 07 09 11 13 15	44 43 43 43 44 40 40 40	4 3 3 3 3 0 0 0 0 0	47 48 49 50 51 52 53 64 65 66	28 28 29 29 29 29 29 29 29 29	39 19 19 19 19 19 19			3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3	22 22 22 22 22 22 22 22 22 22 23 24 24 25 26 27 27 28 28 28 29 29 29 29 29 29 29 29 29 29 29 29 29	53 53 53 53 53 53 53 53 53 53 53
End of month	Hun- gary	India	Iran 5	Italy	Java	Mex	ico	Nethe lands		New Zealand	No wa		Pe	ru	Porti		uma- nia	South Africa
1945—Dec 1946—Dec 1947—Dec 1948—Dec	24 34 35	274 274 274 276	131 127 142 140	24 28 58 96	7 201 7 180	18	94 81 00	270 265 231 166		23 23 23 23		80 91 72 52		28 24 20 20	245 193 158	F	269 215	914 939 762 183
1949—July	38 40 40 41 41 41 	247 247 247 247 247 247 247 247 247 247	140 140 140 140 140 140 140 140	122 133 252 252 252 252 252 252 252 252 252 2	178 178 178 178 178 178 178 178 178 178			166 161 161 161 195 195 229 229 229 229 229		28 28 29 30 31 32 32 33 33 34		52 552 551 551 551 551 550 560 560 570 580 580 580 580 580 580 580 580 580 58		20 20 28 28 28				149 135 121 119 120 128 132 146 166 173 178
End of month	Swe- den	Switz- er- land	Tur- key	Uru- guay	Vene- zuela	oth cou trie	er in-	Intenation Mon tary Fun	nal e-	Bank for In- terna- tional Settle- ments	.	Gov	•		U	reserious	figur	not incl
1945—Dec 1946—Dec 1947—Dec 1948—Dec	482 381 105 81	1,342 1,430 1,356 1,387	241 237 170 162	195 200 175 164	202 215 215 323	19	92 93 95 20	1,35 1,43	5 6 6	39 32 30 36		1945 1946	-Dec		12	,476 ,696		457
1949—July Aug. Sept. Oct. Nov. Dec. 1950—Jan. Feb. Mar. Apr. May June	71 71 70 70 70 70 70 70 69 71 71	1,457 1,503 1,485 1,486 1,495 1,504 1,508 1,503 1,527 1,534 1,552	160 160 159 154 154 154 154 154 154 154 154	161 161 177 178 178 178 183 187 190 184	323 323 373 373 373 373 373 373 373 373	23	30 32 34 33 33 35	1,44 1,45 1,45 1,45 1,45 1,45 1,46 1,46	0 0 0 1 1 1 9 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	60 47 52 47 64 68 68 69 87 93 100 108		1947— 1948— 1949—	Jun Sep Dec Jun Sep Dec -Mai Jun Sep	r e t	12 12 12 11 11 11 11 11	,380 ,410 ,383 ,079 ,241 ,920 ,777 ,856 ,912 ,651 ,425		
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P Preliminary.
 Includes gold in Exchange Stabilization Fund. Gold in active portion of this Fund is not included in regular statistics on gold stock (Treasury gold) used in the Federal Reserve statement "Member Bank Reserves, Reserve Bank Credit, and Related Items" and in the Treasury statement "United States Money, Outstanding and in Circulation, by Kinds."
 Estimated dollar values derived by converting gold at home in amounts up to 1,224.4 million pesos at the rate of 3.0365 pesos per U. S. dollar and all other gold at the rate of 3.5447 pesos per U. S. dollar.
 Figures as reported by Foreign Exchange Control Board and Minister of Finance.
 Beginning December 1948 figures taken from last weekly statement of month.
 Beginning December 1947 includes gold holdings of issue and banking departments of Bank Melli Iran; prior to that represents holdings of issue department only.
 Total gold holdings are not available. Beginning April 1946, the series is new and represents gold held as reserve (25 per cent minimum) less gold in foreign currency liabilities.
 For list of countries included, see BULLETIN for January 1950, p. 114, footnote 8.
 NOTE.—For description of figures, including details regarding special internal gold trans-

NOTE.—For description of figures, including details regarding special internal gold transfers affecting the reported data, see Bulletin Monetary Statistics, pp. 524–535; for back figures through 1941 see Table 160, pp. 544–555, in the same publication and for those subsequent to 1941 see Bulletin for February 1950, p. 252. For revised back figures for Argentina and Canada, see Bulletin for January 1949, p. 86, and February 1949, p. 196, respectively.

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France

Spain

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End of month	United King- dom	France	Belgium
1945—Dec 1946—Dec	12,476 12,696	² 457	2 17
1947—Mar June Sept. Dec.	12,380 12,410 12,383 12,079		
1948—Mar June Sept Dec	12,241 11,920 11,777 11,856		
1949—Mar. June Sept Dec	11,912 11,651 11,425 11,688		
1950—Mar June	11,984 12,422		

Note.—For details regarding special internal gold transfers affecting the British and French institutions, see p. 1084, footnote 1, and p. 1085, footnote 8. For available back figures, see Banking and Monetary Statistics, p. 526, and BULLETIN for November 1947, p. 1433, and February 1945, p. 190.

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¹Exchange Equalization Account holdings of gold, U. S. and Canadian dollars, as reported by British Government. (Gold reserves of Bank of England have remained unchanged at \$1 million since 1939, when Bank's holdings were transferred to Exchange Equilization Accounts).

²France—Exchange Stabilization Fund; Belgium—Treasury.

NET GOLD IMPORTS TO UNITED STATES, BY COUNTRIES

[Net gold exports from United States (-). In millions of dollars]

Gold valued at approximately \$35 a fine ounce

Year or month	Total	United King- dom	Bel- gium	France	Neth- er- lands	Swe- den	U.S.S.R.	Canada	Argen- tina	Colom- bia	Mexico	Nica- ragua	Vene- zuela
1942 1943 1944 1945 1946 1947 1948	68.9 -845.4 -106.3 311.5 1,866.3 1,680.4	2.0 .1 -695.5 .2 .5 488.4 1,095.4 527.9	135.5				33.7 27.9 -4.5	208.9 66.9 46.2 53.1 344.1 445.4 -29.7 5.8	-10.8 -50.3 -134.0 335.5 103.3	10.6 21.0 25.1 14.2	40.0 -3.3 -109.7 15.1 3.6 -7.1 15.8 -4.4	8.7 7.5 7.7 7.4 7.3 7.6 7.9 6.9	4.0 2.2 -55.3 -56.1 .2 8 -136.1 -4.5
1949—June July Aug Sept Oct Nov Dec 1950—Jan Feb Mar Apr May June	131.1 257.4 98.1 56.1 7.6 -1.4 39.0 -2 -1.6 53.3 13.1	121.8 243.6 101.5 40.7 		.1 i .1	1			.3 .9 .6 .7 .6 .5 .3 .7 .5 .5 .5 .5		2.1 5.1	-8.3 -8.3 .4 .3 .4 .2 .3 .2 .3	.67 .77 .66 .54 .55 .55 .33	1 2 1 4 1 1 2

NET GOLD IMPORTS TO UNITED STATES, BY COUNTRIES-Continued

[Net gold exports from United States (-). In millions of dollars] Gold valued at approximately \$35 a fine ounce

Year or month	Other Latin American Republics	Aus- tralia	China	Philip- pine Re- public	South Africa	All other coun- tries
1942	16.3 14.6 -10.8 7.0 -8.0 -17.1 7.3 6.4	.5 2 .2 .1 .1 .6 .3	-9.5 -11.9 -134.0 -55.8 -14.0	.3 1 2 -3.5 -2.5 1	4.1 .3 3.6 .4 118.6 410.7 491.5 190.7	8.9 .8 30.2 .5 1.3 -18.6 1-63.5 2-37.6
1949—June July Aug Sept Oct Nov Dec 1950—Jan Feb Mar Apr May June	.8 .6 .6 .5 .3 .4 .5 .5 .3 .7	.1	-3.5 -7.0 -1.6	1 2 1 3 2 2 5 5	9.5 12.7 22.3 9.5 12.7 3.3 5.8 	-4.5 -2.1 -3.9 -4.8 -1.1 -2.4 -8.5 *37.1 -1.3 -3.5 3.7 10.5 4.7

¹ Includes net exports of 39.2 million dollars to Switzerland, 10.7 million to Greece, 8.3 million to French Indo-China, and 5.3 million to other countries.

² Includes net exports of 18.3 million dollars to Poland, 8.6 million to French Indo-China, 6.6 million to Portuguese Asia, and 4.1 million to other countries.

ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN GOLD STOCK OF UNITED STATES

[In millions of dollars]

		lin mili	ions of doll	ars		·
		tock at period	Increase	Net gold im-	Ear- marked gold: de-	Domes- tic gold
Period	Treas- ury	Total 1	in total gold stock	port or export (-)	crease or in- crease (-)	produc- tion 2
1942 1943 1944 1945 1946 1947 1948 1949 1949—July Aug Sept Oct Nov Dec 1950—Jan Feb Mar Apr May June July	24,247 24,231 24,231	21, 981 20, 631 20, 083 20, 706 22, 868 24, 399 24, 563 24, 771 24, 728 24, 683 24, 563 24, 563 24, 360 24, 350 24, 350 24, 350	-757.9 -1,349.8 -547.8 623.1 12,162.1 1,530.4 164.6 67.3 66.5 -43.1 -39.2 -56.3 -51.2 -96.2 -99.2 -10.7 -99.0	68.9 -845.4 -106.3 311.5 1,866.3 1,680.4 131.1 257.4 98.1 7.6 -1.4 39.0 -2 -1.6 53.3 13.1 10.0	-803.6 -459.8 -356.7 465.4 210.0 -159.2 -495.7 -19.9 -208.5 -154.8 -89.1 -63.9 -59.4 -95.4 -95.4	32.0 51.2 75.8 70.9 767.3 76.3 76.0 77.1 77.2 76.4 5.5 6.1 6.7
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to other countries.

3 Includes imports of 43.1 million dollars of Thailand gold from Japan and net exports of 3.0 million dollars to Poland and 3.0 million dollars to Poland and 3.0 million

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NOTE.—For back figures see *Banking and Monetary Statistics*, Table 158, pp. 539-541, and for description of statistics, see p. 524 in the same publication.

P Preliminary. 'Revised. 1 See footnote 1 on opposite page.
 Yearly figures through 1948 are estimates of United States Mint.
 For explanation of monthly figures see p. 1081, footnote 4.
 Change includes transfer of 687.5 million dollars gold subscription to International Monetary Fund.
 Not yet available.
 Gold held under earmark at the Federal Reserve Banks for foreign account, including gold held for the account of international institutions, amounted to 4,709.0 million dollars on July 31, 1950. Gold under earmark is not included in the gold stock of the United States. Note.—For back figures and description of statistics, see Banking and Monetary Statistics, Table 156, pp. 536-538, and pp. 522-523.

INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND AND INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT

[Millions of dollars]

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	19	50	19	49
International Fund	Apr.	Jan.	Oct.	Apr.
Gold	1,460	1,459	1,450	1,436
and securities payable on demand): United States. Other. Unpaid balance of member subscriptions. Other assets. Member subscriptions. Accumulated net income.	1,299 14,266 893 1 7,922 -4	4,266	4,265 1,018 1	1,341 4,186 1,069 (2) 8,034 -2
Net currency purchased *		1950		1949
(Cumulative—millions of dollars)	June	May	Apr.	June
Australian pounds Belgian francs Brazilian cruzeiros Chilean pesos Costa Rican colones Czechoslovakian koruny Danish kroner Egyptian pounds Ethiopian dollars French francs Indian rupees Mexican pesos Netherlands guilders Nicaraguan cordobas Norwegian kroner South African pounds Turkish liras Pounds sterling Yugoslav dinars	20.0 11.4 37.5 8.8 9 6.0 10.2 3.0 100.0 22.5 75.4 9.6 10.0 5.0 300.0 9.0	11.4 37.5 8.8 - 9 6.0 10.2 3.0 6 125.0 100.0 22.5 75.4 9.6 10.0 300.0 9.0	11.4 37.5 8.8 - 9 6.0 10.2 3.0 6 125.0 100.0 22.5 75.4 9.6 10.0 300.0 9.0	33.0 15.0 8.8 4 6.0 10.2 3.0 3.2 125.0 22.5 75.4
Total	753.1	753.1	753.1	724.6

Transaction of Doub	1950		1949	
International Bank	Mar.	Dec.	Sept.	Mar.
Gold Currencies (balances with depositories and securities payable on demand): United States. Other Investment securities (U. S. Govt. obligations) Calls on subscriptions to capital stock4. Loans (incl. undisbursed portions and incl. obligations sold under Bank's guarantee) Other assets. Bonds outstanding. Liability on obligations sold under guarantee. Loans—undisbursed	723 7261 261	38 923 448 5 727 6 254 27 162	44 926 454 5 676 11 254 27 136	74 929 444 5 559 10 254 26 51
Other liabilities. Special reserve. Capital 4. Accumulated net income.	1,670 23	1,670 20	1,670 17	5 7 1,667 10

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Bank of England		s of issue artment	As	sets of ban departmen		N	Lia	abilities of	banking	departme	nt
(Figures in millions of pounds sterling)	Gold 1	Other	Notes and	Dis- counts	Securi-	Note circula- tion *		Dep	osits		Other liabili-
	Gold -	assets 2	coin	and ad- vances	ties		Bankers'	Public	ECA	Other	ties and capital
1941—Dec. 31 1942—Dec. 30. 1943—Dec. 29. 1944—Dec. 27. 1945—Dec. 26. 1946—Dec. 25. 1947—Dec. 31. 1948—Dec. 29. 1949—July 27. Aug. 31. Sept. 28. Oct. 26.	.2 .2 .2 .2 .2 .2 .2 .2 .4 .4	780.0 950.0 1,100.0 1,250.0 1,400.0 1,450.0 1,350.0 1,350.0 1,350.0 1,300.0	28.8 27.7 12.5 13.5 20.7 23.4 100.8 36.1 49.9 80.4 41.4 47.3	6.4 3.5 2.5 5.1 13.6 15.2 16.7 15.3 10.4 23.6 23.3	267.8 267.9 307.9 317.4 327.0 327.6 331.3 401.1 381.6 354.1 368.7 429.7	751.7 923.4 1.088.7 1.238.6 1.379.9 1.428.2 1.349.7 1.293.1 1.305.1 1.275.0 1.264.5 1.258.7	219.9 223.4 234.3 260.7 274.5 278.9 315.1 314.5 294.0 277.6 295.7 298.5	11.2 9.0 10.3 5.2 5.3 10.3 18.6 11.7 11.2 15.9 9.1 14.0	17.4 32.4 41.7 16.4 62.8	54.1 48.8 60.4 52.3 58.5 57.3 95.5 92.1 91.0 91.2 91.2 91.2 91.7	17.9 17.9 17.8 17.8 18.1 18.1 18.1 18.5 18.5
Nov. 30 Dec. 28. 1950—Jan. 25. Feb. 22. Mar. 29. Apr. 26. May 31. June 28.	.4 .4 .4 .4 .4 .4	1,300,0 1,350,0 41,300,0 1,300,0 1,300,0 1,300,0 1,300,0 41,350,0	39.9 33.7 57.9 58.4 38.5 28.4 19.9 63.0	15.3 14.8 14.7 22.0 12.3 22.0 19.1 15.4	437.8 489.6 477.4 486.7 507.2 529.4 554.9 549.3	1,265.8 1,321.9 1,247.7 1,247.2 1,267.3 1,277.7 1,286.6 1,293.9	295.9 299.2 291.7 285.2 283.5 288.8 281.3 292.1	8.9 11.6 12.5 14.0 12.1 13.9 12.0 11.9	58.6 97.9 117.4 136.0 160.0 169.8 188.4 209.0	111.5 111.2 110.2 113.5 83.9 89.5 94.2 96.5	18.0 18.1 18.3 18.4 18.5 17.8 18.0 18.2

¹On June 9, 1945, the official buying price of the Bank of England for gold was increased from 168 shillings to 172 shillings and three pence per fine ounce, and on Sept. 19, 1949, it was raised to 248 shillings. For details regarding previous changes in the buying price of gold and for internal gold transfers during 1939, see BULLETIN for March 1950, p. 388, footnotes 1 and 4.

² Securities and silver coin held as cover for fiduciary issue, the amount of which is also shown by this figure.

³ Notes issued less amounts held in banking department.

⁴ Fiduciary issue decreased by 50 million pounds on Jan. 11 and increased by 50 million on June 28, 1950. For details on previous changes see BULLETIN for February 1950, p. 254; April 1949, p. 450; and February 1948, p. 254.

NOTE—For back figures see Buying and Management Statistics. Table 164, pp. 633-640; for description of statistics, see 20, 560, 561 in con-

Note.—For back figures see Banking and Monetary Statistics, Table 164, pp. 638-640; for description of statistics, see pp. 560-561 in same publication.

¹ Includes 16 million dollars receivable for currency adjustments resulting from the devaluations in September 1949.

² Less than \$500,000.

³ As of June 30, 1950, the Fund had sold 759.8 million U. S. dollars; in addition, the Fund sold to the Netherlands 1.5 million pounds sterling in May 1947 and 300 million Belgian francs in May 1948, and sold to Norway 200 million Belgian francs in June and July 1948. Repurchases amounted to 24.2 million dollars.

⁴ Excludes uncalled portions of capital subscriptions, amounting to 6,679 million dollars as of Mar. 31, 1950, of which 2,540 million represents the subscription of the United States.

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			Assets					Liabilities		
Bank of Canada (Figures in millions of Canadian dollars)	Gold	Sterling and United	Dominion a cial gove secur	ernment	Other	Note	,	Deposits		Other liabilities
Canadian donars)	Gold	States dollars	Short- term ¹	Other	assets	circulation ²	Chartered banks	Dominion govern- ment	Other	and capital \$
1938—Dec, 31. 1939—Dec, 30. 1940—Dec, 31. 1941—Dec, 31. 1942—Dec, 31. 1943—Dec, 31. 1944—Dec, 30. 1945—Dec, 31. 1946—Dec, 31. 1946—Dec, 31. 1947—Dec, 31. 1948—Dec, 31.		1.0	144.6 181.9 448.4 391.8 807.2 787.6 906.9 1,157.3 1,197.4 1,022.0 1,233.7	40.9 49.9 127.3 216.7 209.2 472.8 573.9 688.3 708.2 858.5 779.1	5 2 5 5 5 12 4 33 5 31 3 47 3 34 3 29 5 42 1 43 7 45 4	175.3 232.8 359.9 496.0 693.6 874.4 1,036.0 1,129.1 1,186.2 1,211.4 1,289.1	200.6 217.0 217.7 232.0 259.9 340.2 401.7 521.2 565.5 536.2 547.3	16.7 46.3 10.9 73.8 51.6 20.5 12.9 153.3 60.5 68.8 98.1	3.1 17.9 9.5 6:0 19.1 17.8 27.7 29.8 93.8 67.5 81.0	9.3 13.3 28.5 35.1 24.0 55.4 209.1 198.5 42.7 42.4 43.1
1949July 30		52.9 55.7 60.1 64.9 66.1 74.1	1,499.2 1,557.2 1,616.8 1,710.6 1,713.9 1,781.4	499.5 441.2 421.2 335.9 221.5 227.8	45.1 64.2 119.1 80.3 54.4 42.5	1,271.0 1,269.7 1,290.7 1,293.5 1,283.0 1,307.4	566.9 578.0 611.5 626.0 544.7 541.7	94.3 109.7 141.0 66.1 27.2 30.7	73.8 61.8 64.1 77.4 84.1 126.9	90.6 99.2 109.8 128.8 116.8 119.2
1950—Jan. 31. Feb. 28. Mar. 31. Apr. 29. May 31. June 30.			1,769.1 1,786.2 1,655.9 1,668.3 1,685.7 1,436.7	235.4 191.1 358.9 371.0 372.6 622.0	73.1 56.2 75.2 56.5 60.1 58.8	1,259.2 1,250.6 1,258.5 1,269.8 1,275.9 1,275.8	530.7 554.8 567.3 551.6 534.3 544.5	94.3 24.3 71.2 41.3 68.9 35.3	145.8 176.4 150.7 199.8 202.7 215.8	120.7 104.2 116.1 119.4 109.9 130.1

				As	ssets	-				I.	iabilities		
Bank of France (Figures in millions of francs)	Gold	Foreign	D	omestic b	ills		nces to nment 5	Other	Note circula-		Deposits	6	Other liabil- ities
minions of francs)	Gold	ex- change	Open market ⁵	Special	Other	Current	Other	assets 5	tion	Govern- ment	ECA	Other	and capital
1938—Dec. 29. 1939—Dec. 28. 1940—Dec. 26. 1941—Dec. 31. 1942—Dec. 31. 1943—Dec. 30. 1944—Dec. 27. 1945—Dec. 27. 1946—Dec. 31. 1948—Dec. 30. 1949—July 28. Aug. 25. Sept. 29. Oct. 27. Nov. 24. Dec. 29. 1950—Jan. 26. Feb. 23. Mar. 30. Apr. 27. May 25. June 29.	97,267 84,598 84,598 84,598 84,598 75,151 129,817 94,817 65,225 65,225 862,274 862,274 862,274 862,274 862,274 862,274 862,274 862,274 862,274 862,274 862,274	36,675 51,504 53,002 58,174 61,943 59,719 58,658 63,987 83,526	1,892 5,818 7,802 6,812 8,420 9,518 12,170 17,980 37,618 67,395 97,447 137,189 134,031 138,787 140,934 137,689 132,447 123,912 123,013 115,978 121,193 115,978	4,144 15,092 23,486 28,164 28,548 31,410 31,467 29,279	255,099 298,005 305,454 306,397 335,727 335,845 333,358	69,500 68,250 64,400 15,850 	30,627 30,473 112,317 182,507 250,965 3475,447 445,447 4480,447 558,039 560,990 560,990 560,990 560,990 560,990 560,990 560,990 560,990 560,990 560,990 560,990 560,990 560,990 560,990 560,990 560,990 560,990 560,990 560,990 560,990 560,990	67,738 76,261 81,425 85,587 112,658 94,504 91,046	110, 935 151, 322 218, 383 270, 144 382, 774 500, 386 572, 510 570, 006 721, 865 920, 831 987, 621 1,134, 440 1,210, 606 1,218, 697 1,203, 768 1,271, 825 1,256, 758 1,271, 387 1,332, 148 1,332, 148 1,332, 148 1,332, 148	770 578 748 12,048 765 733 806 195 292 201 101 202 153 1,168 42 79 24 21	22,910 14,155 22,432 34,284 21,927 8,496	25, 595 14, 751 27, 202 25, 272 29, 935 33, 137 37, 855 57, 755 63, 468 82, 479 171, 783 157, 714 136, 331 140, 548 142, 845 173, 396 158, 973 133, 526 120, 858 115, 627 114, 103 110, 321 120, 858 115, 627 114, 103 110, 321 126, 978	2,718 2,925 744,986 768,474 721,318 715,596 7,078 4,087 7,213 10,942 16,206 15,661 16,199 15,757 18,522 20,563 19,377 23,853 20,426 17,828 20,747 24,634 21,475

¹ Securities maturing in two years or less.

² Includes notes held by the chartered banks, which constitute an important part of their reserves.

³ Beginning November 1944, includes a certain amount of sterling and United States dollars.

⁴ On May 1, 1940, gold transferred to Foreign Exchange Control Board in return for short-term Government securities (see Bulletin for July 1940, pp. 677-678).

⁸ For explanation of these items, see Bulletin for January 1950, p. 117, footnote 6.

⁹ Beginning January 1950, when the Bank of France modified the form of presentation of its statement, the figures under this heading are not strictly comparable with those shown for earlier dates.

⁷ Includes the following amounts (in millions of francs) for account of the Central Administration of the Reichskreditkassen: 1940, 41,400; 1941, 64,580; 1942, 16,857; 1943, 10,724.

⁸ Includes 9,293 million francs of gold earmarked as collateral against a loan. For details on devaluations and other changes in the gold holdings of the Bank of France, see Bulletin for June 1949, p. 747; May 1948, p. 601; May 1940, pp. 406-407; January 1939, p. 29; September 1937, p. 853; and November 1936, pp. 878-880.

⁹ Includes advance to Stabilization Fund, amounting to 43.0 billion francs on June 29.

Note.—For back figures on Bank of Canada and Bank of France, see Banking and Monetary Statistics, Tables 166 and 165, pp. 644-645

Note.—For back figures on Bank of Canada and Bank of France, see Banking and Monetary Statistics, Tables 166 and 165, pp. 644-645 and pp. 641-643, respectively; for description of statistics, see pp. 562-564 in same publication. For last available report from the Reichsbank (February 1945), see Bulletin for December 1946, p. 1424.

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Central Bank		1950		1949	Central Bank		1950		1949
(Figures as of last report date of month)	June	May	Apr.	June	(Figures as of last report date of month)	June	May	Apr.	June
Central Bank of the Argentine Republic (millions of pesos): Gold reported separately. Other gold and foreign exchange. Government securities. Rediscounts and loans to banks. Other assets. Currency circulation Deposits—Nationalized. Other sight obligations. Other liabilities and capital.		656 1,538 1,853 29,964 230 10,555 21,303 496 1,887	1,408 1,835 29,686 216 10,344 21,073	506 1,590 1,749 25,525 173 8,184 18,931 600 1,827	Central Bank of Costa Rica ² (thousands of colones): Gold. Foreign exchange. Net claim on Intl. Fund ¹ . Loans and discounts. Securities. Other assets. Note circulation. Demand deposits Other liabilities and capital. National Bank of Czechoslovakia			11,542 33,750 7,019 87,196 19,372 17,480 108,268 58,085 10,006	11,547 15,950 85,939 18,612 103,410 63,128
Commonwealth Bank of Australia (thousands of pounds): Gold and foreign exchange Checks and bills of other banks. Securities (incl. Government and Treasury bills). Other assets. Note circulation. Deposits of Trading Banks: Special. Other Other liabilities and capital. Austrian National Bank (millions		354,985 86,452	339,879 88,779	339,785 60,685	(millions of koruny): Gold and foreign exchange Loans and discounts. Other assets. Note circulation Deposits. Other liabilities and capital. National Bank of Denmark (millions of kroner):			(Mar.) ³ 3,349 24,716 48,433 68,447 702 7,348	2,922 22,618 49,141 64,380 789 9,512
of schillings): Gold. Foreign exchange. Loans and discounts. Claim against Government. Other assets. Note circulation. Deposits—Banks. Other. Blocked.	50 158 2,346 6,122 37 5,783 204	50 155 2,210 6,002 38 5,684	50 145 2,029 6,393 37 5,618 180 1,089	50 129 1,245 6,816 6 5,797 363 563	Securities Govt. compensation account Other assets Note circulation Deposits—Government Other Other liabilities and capital Central Bank of the Dominican	69 349 6 33 123 4,638 226 1,580 1,864 1,851 150	378 6 26 124 4,650 218 1,544	209 1,548 1,760	70 130 65 29 100 4,814 226 1,478 1,728 2,083 146
National Bank of Belgium (millions of francs): Gold	7,879 4,396 34,939 7,825 6,437 86,132 2,158	7,316 4,840 34,939 7,001 4,924 84,794 1,712	8,939 3,407 34,939 8,697 4,859 86,079 2,245 234	30,859 12,205 4,554 34,991 4,800 3,781 84,938 3,034 1,015 2,202	Net claim on Intl. Fund ¹ Paid-in capital—Intl. Bank Loans and discounts. Government securities. Other assets. Note circulation Demand deposits Other liabilities and capital. Central Bank of Ecuador	40 153 5,383 946 20,260 5,482 285	13,292 1,250 40 211 5,377 667 19,984 4,617 281	1,250 40 252 5,377 651 19,069 4,232 274	4,009 10,499 1,250 40 171 4,974 746 17,203 4,276 211
tary dept. (millions of bolivianos): Gold at home and abroad. Foreign exchange. Loans and discounts. Government securities. Other assets. Note circulation. Deposits. Other liabilities and capital. Central Bank of Chile (millions of pesos): Gold.			226 1,045 740 376 2,635 362 346	956 245 752 755 57 2,250 269 246	Other Other liabilities and capital National Bank of Egypt (thou-				278,331 -36,561 16,881 236,107 111,026 115,428 360,565 119,054 95,436 146,158
Foreign exchange (net) Net claim on Intl. Fund ¹ . Discounts for member banks. Loans to Government. Other loans and discounts. Other assets. Note circulation. Deposits—Bank Other. Other liabilities and capital. Bank of the Republic of Colombia		110 1 2,002 688 2,756	34 1,679 688 2,734 1,569 5,727 1,178 254	101 1,320 732 2,239 1,434 5,163	Gold. Foreign exchange. Loans and discounts. British, Egyptian, and other Government securities. Other assets. Note circulation. Deposits—Government. Other Other liabilities and capital. Central Reserve Bank of El Salva		214 211	220 061	216 677
(thousands of pesos): Gold and foreign exchange. Net claim on Intl. Fund 1. Paid-in capital—Intl. Bank. Loans and discounts. Government loans and securities. Other assets. Note circulation. Deposits. Other liabilities and capital	188,113 24,368 1,371 253,058 146,660 52,408	24,368 1,371 225,175 141,854 57,140	24,368 1,371 191,394 142,662 57,488 414 430	152,025 24,367 1,370 196,523 134,722 54,899 347,286 172,130 44,491	Foreign exchange (net). Net claim on Intl. Fund ¹ . Loans and discounts. Government debt and securities. Other assets. Note circulation. Deposits.	50,383 62,759 1,565 811 5,041 1,724 65,031 51,155 6,097	64,114 1,565 562 5,054 1,658 66,142 51,277	74,050 1,565 155 5,078 1,543 68,031 55,117	52,463 1,564 354 5,259 1,634 55,981 35,313

¹ This figure represents the amount of the bank's subscription to the Fund less the bank's local currency liability to the Fund. Until such time as the Fund engages in operations in this currency, the "net claim" will equal the country's gold contribution.

² The Central Bank of Costa Rica began operations on Feb. 1, 1950. Figures shown prior to this date refer to the Issue Department of the National Bank.

³ Latest month available.

Note.—For details relating to individual items in certain bank statements, see Bulletin for January 1950, p. 118.

CENTRAL BANKS—Continued

Central Bank		1950	·	1949	Central Bank		1950		1949
(Figures as of last report date of month)	June	Мау	Apr.	June	(Figures as of last report date of month)	June	May	Apr.	June
State Bank of Ethiopia—Issue dept. (thousands of dollars):					Central Bank of Ireland (thousands of pounds):				
Gold Silver Foreign exchange Treasury bills. Other assets		7,371 12,191 17,745 9,247 33,140	7,371 12,191 20,279 9,247 30,559	4,393 6,271 29,974 9,247	Gold. Sterling funds. Note circulation. Bank of Italy (billions of lire):	2,646 46,988 49,635	47,380	2,646 48,142 50,788	2,646 43,610 46,256
Circulation—Notes		49,660 29,849 185	49,664 29,821 163	30,381 49,205 29,363 1,698	Gold Foreign exchange Advances to Treasury Loans and discounts Government securities	25 654 190 189	24 654 180 200	22 657 198 221	18 663 186 201
kaa): Gold. Foreign assets (net) Clearings (net)	-2,266 -9	-134	1,787 -1,939 -28	269 -729 -1,339	Other assets Bank of Italy notes Allied military notes Deposits—Government	572 979 5 180		531 973 7 163	348 854 43 137
Loans and discounts	1,088 1,959 31,328	1,080 1,191	39,493 1,036 1,585 30,266 2,667	37,225 858 1,473 27,934 1,777	Demand. Other Other liabilities and capital. Bank of Japan (millions of yen):	161 253 57	132 271 48	152 288 51	127 214 43 1,245
Other liabilities and capital Bank of German States 1 (millions of German marks):	9,446	9,163	9,001	8,046 1,338	Advances to Government Loans and discounts Government securities Reconversion Fin. Rk. honds			70,226 123,670 160,599	102,655 69,714 116,305 57,049
Foreign exchange. Loans and discounts Loans to Government Other assets. Note circulation Deposits—Government Banks. Other Other liabilities and capital		3,492 8,717 1,137 7,793 1,169	3,641 8,352 1,163 7,854 1,199 962	1,273 8,527 1,853 6,918	Deposits—Government			31,062 319,646 33,275 18,221 15,862	24,709 300,628 39.043 21,320 10,686
Bank of Greece (billions of drach- mae):	349	1,087 463 3,746	3,548 3,548	361 3,117	Gold *	675 50 97 1,854	675 60 171 1,674	675 43 91 2,262	471 110 66 964
Gold and foreign exchange (net). Loans and discounts. Advances—Government. Other. Other assets.	5,006 2,246 883	405 147 3,967 2,122 780	141 4,404 2,074 809	121 77 2,663 1,612 819	Other liabilities and capital 4 Bank of Mexico (millions of pesos):	93 1,713 654 403	1,647 656 366	94 1,627 1,190 347	82 858 746 88
Note circulation. Deposits—Government Reconstruction and relief accts	1,653 841 2,502	1,651 467 2,036	1,658 340 2,569	1,218 493 648	"Authorized" holdings of secu- rities, etc	765 2,366 181	772 2,421	788 2,440 183	2,037 662
Other liabilities and capital Bank of Guatemala (thousands of quetzales): Gold	1,070 2,569	2,408 2,408 27,229	904	535 2,398 27,229	Other assets Note circulation Demand liabilities Other liabilities and capital Netherlands Bank (millions of	364 2,212 848 616	182 329 2,194 893 617	357 2,224 928 616	186 1,917 759 878
Foreign exchange. Gold contribution to Int'l. Fund. Rediscounts and advances Other assets. Circulation—Notes.		8,861 1,250 5,524 18,478 34,465	10,613 1,250 5,747 19,158 35,544	15,928 1,250 2,537 12,494 32,899	guilders): Gold 6. Silver (including subsidiary coin). Foreign assets (net) Loans and discounts	871 13 1,071 144	871 13 1,015 147	871 12 868 158	439 8 309 150
Coin Deposits—Government Banks Other liabilities and capital National Bank of Hungary (mil-		3,145 1,857 11,323 10,552	3,164 2,097 12,887 10,304	3,083 4,099 9,732 9,626	Other assets	2,850 858 62 2,818 415	2,850 854 64 2,917 409	2,850 799 65 2,908 543	3,300 507 78 2,971 181
lions of forint); Gold Foreign exchange Discounts. Loans—Treasury.			(Feb.) ² 482 13 287	3	Blocked	37 873 1,051 552	31 795 1,006 529	30 659 833 519	62 379 782 260
Other assets. Note circulation. Demand deposits—Government. Other			9,204 211 2,673	7,147 171 3,007	(thousands of pounds); Gold		4,224 59,309	4,112 51,955	3,359 58,963
Reserve Bank of India (millions of rupees): Issue department:			6,913 599	618	dertakings Investments. Other assets Note circulation Demand deposits		27,658 6,762 53,893 96,605	31,658 6,537 54,513 94,109	48,094 6,054 50,310 94,405
Gold at home and abroad Sterling securities. Indian Govt. securities. Rupee coin. Note circulation.		400 6,382 4,717 550 11,817	400 6,503 4,603 557 11,846	6,953 4,137 472	Other liabilities and capital. Bank of Norway (millions of kroner): Gold. Foreign assets (net). Clearing accounts (net).	244 72 —88	6,710 244 155 -100	6,674 230 209 85	5,153 232 150 -73
Banking department: Notes of issue department Balances abroad. Bills discounted Loans to Government	1 1	231 1,937 32	218 1,983 34	418 1,328 25	Occupation account (net) Other assets	38 47 7,112 66	40 47 7,112 67	37 47 7,112 73	
Loans to Government Other assets Deposits Other liabilities and capital		742 742 2,652 303	42 766 2,733 309	105 1,178 2,756 297	Note circulation. Deposits—Government. Banks. Blocked. Other.	2,263 2,744 1,422 550 43	38	2,213 2,965 1,402 559 42	2,144 3,878 841 639 165
				,	Other liabilities and capital	469	437	443	574

¹ This statement represents combined figures for the Bank of the German States and the eleven Land Central Banks.
² Latest month available.
³ Gold revalued on Jan. 18, 1950, from .334987 to .233861 grams of fine gold per guilder.
⁴ Pending negotiations with the Netherlands and the ECA, counterpart funds are included in "Other liabilities and capital," beginning February 1950.

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CENTRAL BANKS-Continued

Central Bank		1950		1949	Central Bank		1950		1949
(Figures as of last report date of month)	June	May	Apr.	June	(Figures as of last report date of month)	June	May	Apr.	June
State Bank of Pakistan (millions of					Bank of Spain—Cont.	,		1	
rupees): Issue department:			l		Other assets	4,384 27,523	$\frac{4,129}{27,302}$		4,022 24.888
Cald at home and abroad	· 		44	44	Deposits—Government	882	629	1,256	1,329
Sterling securities			714	881	Other	3,045	2,737	2,489	2,871
Sterling securities Pakistan Govt. securities Govt. of India securities India currency Rupee coin Notes in circulation.			361		Other liabilities and capital	.533		592	525
Govt. of India securities			235 432	340 419	Bank of Sweden (millions of kronor):	157	158	156	4 5 4
Rupee coin			57	56		1,043	997	892	157 416
Notes in circulation			1,781	1,682	Swedish Govt. securities and ad-	1,043	1	072	. 410
Banking department:					vances to National Debt Office 5	2,833		2.,898	3,360
Banking department: Notes of issue department Balances abroad Bills discounted Loans to Government			63	58 827	Other domestic bills and advances Other assets				83
Balances abroad			105	125	Note circulation	366 3,178		326 3,207	401 2,996
Loans to Government				123	Note circulation	533		437	748
				156	Other	147	303	184	182
Deposits Other liabilities and capital			791	1,072	Other liabilities and capital	671	6.01	603	491
Other liabilities and capital			88	94	Swiss National Bank (millions of francs):		1		
Bank of Paraguay—Monetary dept. (thousands of guaranies):					Gold	6,252	6,239	6,243	5,998
Gold	600	600	600	607	Foreign exchange	283		296	416
Foreign exchange (net)	5,028	4,845	3,263	2,108	Foreign exchangeLoans and discounts	97	90	89	136
Net claim on Int'l. Fund 1	2,710	2,710	2,710		Other assets	72		68	76
Paid-in capital-Int'l. Bank	-195	-195	-194	-92	Note circulation	4,283			4,319
Loans and discounts	6,512	8,282	9,187	91,960 4,182	Other liabilities and capital	2,203 218		2,033 396	1,781 526
Other assets	22,243	19,853	12,794	5,539	Central Bank of the Republic of	210	0,,,	0,0	520
Note and coin issue	119,313	115,338	104,638	81,388	Turkey (thousands of pounds):				
Demand deposits	36,124	35,254	32,074				431,890	431,709	448,152
Other liabilities and capital	5,521	6,095	5,063	2,509	-1		03 160	112 631	118,893
Central Reserve Bank of Peru (thousands of soles):					Loans and discounts Securities Other assets Note circulation Deposits—Gold Other Other liabilities and capital Bank of the Republic of Uruguay		93,100	868 833	752,619
Cold and foreign exchange?	320.837	272,621	282,156	246,974	Securities		38,339	39,803	89,806
Net claim on Int'l. Fund ' Contribution to Int'l, Bank Loans and discounts to banks	20,495	20,495	20,495	20,495	Other assets		75,886	86,671	59,071
Contribution to Int'l. Bank	2,238	2,238	2,238	2,238	Note circulation		878,638	897,565	892,275
Loans and discounts to banks	175,489	706 474	707 020	137,844 728,974	Deposits—Gold		262 040	227 075	153,036 237,983
Other assets	251 448	209.863	178.935	67,166	Other liabilities and capital		166.214	161.967	185,247
Note circulation	918,322	925,850	914,352	811,682					,
Deposits	170,380	142,265	150,409	300,183	(thousands of pesos):				
Loans and discounts to banks. Loans to Government. Other assets. Note circulation Deposits. Other liabilities and capital.	365,606	325,867	320,636	91,826	(thousands of pesos): Gold		279,839	279,839	244,276
Lentral Bank of the Philippines			1		Silver		312	311	12,214 313
(thousands of pesos): Gold Foreign exchange Net claim on Int'l. Fund Loans Domestic securities Other assets. Note circulation	4 809	4.449	3.881	2,721					
Foreign exchange	436,441	445,983	444,691	638,895	ment bodies		152,557	153,092	146,998
Net claim on Int'l. Fund 1	7,502	7,502	7,502	7,501	Other loans and discounts		266,227	260,699	253,881
Loans	63,918	48,017	72,749		Other assets		279,959	278,675	247,475
Other ossets	146 817	152 384	146 387	9,739 143,613	Deposits—Government		95 889	04 773	279,807 74,956
Note circulation	531.477	534.567	537.948	534,426			284,469	267,742	285,095
Demand deposits O. S. donars 1					Other liabilities and capital		319,785	333,918	265,300
Pesos	139,282	134,546	141,283		Central Bank of Venezuela (millions of bolivares):				
Other liabilities and capital Bank of Portugal (millions of	114,508	113,040	111,481	91,957	Gold	1,041	1,041	1,041	889
escudos):			-		Foreign exchange (net)	72	55	64	278
Gold	3,143		3,144	3,146	Other assets	64	66	59	43
Foreign exchange (net)	8,983		9,019	7,594	Note circulation—Central Bank.	744	758	780	768
Loans and discounts	1 247		496 1,248	456 1,249	National banks	149	1 152	172	384
Other assets	476		451	503	Other liabilities and capital	282	251	211	56
Note circulation	7,665		7,659	8,147	Bank for International Settle-				••
Demand deposits—Government	233		335	74					
ECA	107		107		francs): Gold in bars	220 000	205 010	202 504	160 020
Other liabilities and capital	2 345		3,925 2,332	3,806 920	Cash on hand and with banks	21 420	47 975	27 728	168,838 30,385
South African Reserve Bank	2,010		2,002	, ,	Cash on hand and with banks Sight funds at interest	2,908	2,930	2,934	4,334
(thousands of pounds):					Rediscountable bills and accept-			- 1	
Gold 4		62,991	61,223	36,593	ances (at cost)	183,059	181,286	139,340	20,862
Foreign bills		84,505 8,388	84,425	986 74,632	Sundry bills and investments	260,770	223 780	250 082	22,409 152,705 297,201 2,034
Other bills and loansOther assets		36.339	9,112 36,566	14,280	Funds invested in Germany	297,201	297.201	297,201	297.201
Note circulation	 	68,140	67,077	66.090	Time funds at interest. Sundry bills and investments. Funds invested in Germany Other assets. Demand deposits (gold).	1,514	1,500	1,585	2,034
Deposits		103,021	103,591	52,559 7,841	Demand deposits (gold)	188,480	150,231	113,990	13,418
Other liabilities and capital		21,064	20,658	7,841					200 051
To the manner capital			•		Central banks—Own account	454,253	437,195	409,057	200,956
Bank of Spain (millions of pesetas):	660	660	660	0241			22 0651	25 704	
Bank of Spain (millions of pesetas):	668 446	668 446		934 497	Long-term deposits: Special	21,608 228,909	22,065 228,900	25,704 228,900	228.909
Bank of Spain (millions of pesetas): Gold	446	446	487	497	Long-term deposits: Special Other liabilities and capital	21,608 228,909 258,835	22,065 228,909 258,847	25,704 228,909 258,250	200,956 1,327 228,909 254,157
Bank of Spain (millions of pesetas):			487 15,143		Central banks—Own account Other Long-term deposits: Special Other liabilities and capital	21,608 228,909 258,835	22,065 228,909 258,847	25,704 228,909 258,250	228,909 254,157

¹ This figure represents the amount of the bank's subscription to the Fund less the bank's local currency liability to the Fund. Until such time as the Fund engages in operations in this currency, the "net claim" will equal the country's gold contribution.

² In November 1949, part of the gold and foreign exchange holdings of the bank were revalued.

³ Account of National Treasury.

⁴ On Dec. 31, 1949, gold revalued from 172 to 248 shillings per fine ounce.

⁵ Includes small amount of non-Government bonds.

Note.—For details relating to individual items in certain bank statements, see Bulletin for January 1950, p. 120.

MONEY RATES IN FOREIGN COUNTRIES

DISCOUNT RATES OF CENTRAL BANKS

[Per cent per annum]

			Centra	ıl bank	c of—				n .	·			
Date effective	United King- dom	France	Ger- many	Bel- gium	Neth- er- lands	Swe- den	Switz- er- land	Central bank of—	Rate June 30	Date effective	Central bank of—	Rate June 30	Date effective
In effect Dec. 31, 1938 Jan. 4, 1939 Apr. 17 May 11 July 6	2			2½ 4 3 2½			11/2	AlbaniaArgentinaAustriaBelgiumBolivia.	51/2 31/2 31/3 31/4 5	Mar. 21, 1940 Mar. 1, 1936 Aug. 3, 1945 Oct. 6, 1949 Feb. 4, 1948	Ireland	2½ 4 5.11 3 5	Nov. 23, 1943 Apr. 6, 1950 July 5, 1948 Jan. 14, 1937 Feb. 17, 1940
Aug. 29 Sept. 28 Oct. 26 Dec. 15 Jan. 25, 1940. Apr. 9 May 17 Mar. 17, 1941.	3 2		31/2	2	3	3		Canada Chile Colombia Costa Rica Czechoslovakia	1½ 3-4½ 4 4 2½	Dec. 16, 1936 July 18, 1933 Feb. 1, 1950	Lithuania Mexico Netherlands. New Zealand. Norway	6 4½ 2½ 1½ 2½ 2½	July 15, 1939 June 4, 1942 June 27, 1941 July 26, 1941 Jan. 9, 1946
May 29		1 5/8		21/2	21/2	21/2		Denmark Ecuador El Salvador Estonia Finland	4½ 10 3 4½ 5¾	July 4, 1950 May 13, 1948 Mar. 2, 1950 Oct. 1, 1935 July 1, 1949	Peru Portugal South Africa . Spain Sweden	6 2½ 3½ 4 2½	Nov. 13, 1947 Jan. 12, 1944 Oct. 13, 1949 Mar. 18, 1949 Feb. 9, 1945
Aug. 27		2½ &3 3½ &4 3	1 1-5 11-4 ¹ / ₂ 1 1-4					France	11-4 12 5 3	July 14, 1949 July 12, 1948 Nov. 1, 1947 Nov. 28, 1935	Switzerland. Turkey United King- dom U.S.S.R	13/2 4 2 4	Nov. 26, 1936 July 1, 1938 Oct. 26, 1939 July 1, 1936
Oct. 6 June 8, 1950 In effect June 30, 1950			₹ 1–4		21/2		1	rate applies to	the Lan	plies to the Ban d Central banks. ace June 30: De		-	•

OPEN-MARKET RATES

[Per cent per annum]

	Canada		United K	Ingdom		France	Nethe	rlands	Sweden	Switzer- land
Month	Treasury bills 3 months	Bankers' acceptances 3 months	Treasury bills 3 months	Day-to- day money	Bankers' allowance on deposits	Day-to- day money	Treasury bills 3 months	Day-to- day money	Loans up to 3 months	Private discount rate
1942—May 1943—May 1944—May 1945—May 1945—May 1947—May 1948—May 1948—May	.54 .50 .39 .37 .39 .41 .41	1.03 1.03 1.03 1.03 .53 .53 .56 .63	1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00 51 .51 .51	1.03 1.07 1.13 1.03 .63 .63 .63	1/21/21/21/21/21/21/21/21/21/21/21/21/21	1.62 1.66 1.61 1.38 1.34 1.46 2.12 2.43		.93 1.08 .94 1.03	3-51/2 3-51/2 3-51/2 21/2-5 21/2-41/2 21/2-41/2 21/2-41/2	1.25 1.25 1.25 1.25 1.25 1.25 1.25 1.63
1949—Junc July. Aug. Sept. Oct. Nov. Dec.	.51 .51 .51 .51 .51 .51	.63 .63 .67 .69 .69 .69	.52 .52 .52 .52 .52 .52 .52	.63 63 63 63 63 63 .63	1/2 1/2 1/2 1/2 1/2 1/2 1/2 1/2 1/2 1/2	P2.34 P2.34 P2.06 P2.03 P2.25 F2.55 P2.55	1.32 1 43 1 25 1 15 1 07 1 16 1 32	.83 83 91 1 01 .78 .93 1 03	212-416 213-416 213-416 213-416 213-416 213-416 213-416	1.52 1.50 1.50 1.50 1.50 1.50 1.50
1950—Jan	.51 .51 .51 .51	.69 .69 .69 .69	.52 .52 .52 .51	.63 .63 .63 .63	1/2 1/2 1/2 1/2 1/2 1/2 1/2	2.18 2.40 2.70 2.64 2.68	1 31 1 54 1 45 1 44 1 45	1.22 1.50 1.13 1.25 1.03	21/2-41/2 21/2-41/2 21/2-41/2 21/2-41/2 21/2-41/2	1.50 1.50 1.50 1.50 1.50

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Note.—Changes since June 30: Denmark -July 4, up from 31/2 to 41/2

Note.—For monthly figures on money rates in these and other foreign countries through 1941, see Banking and Monetary Statistics, Table 172, op. 656-661, and for description of statistics see pp. 571-572 in same publication.

COMMERCIAL BANKS

	,			OMMEI	KCIAL	BAI	AVO			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		····-	·
United Kingdom 1				Assets							Lia	bilities	
(11 London clearing banks. Figures in millions of pounds sterling)	Cash reserves	Money at call and short	Bills dis- counted	Treasury deposit receipts ²	Securiti		ans to tomers	Othe		T-4-1	Deposit	1	Other liabilities and
1943—December	422 500 536 499 502 502	151 199 252 432 480 485	133 147 369 610 793 741	1,307 1,667 1,523 1,560 1,288 1,397	1,154 1,165 1,234 1,427 1,483 1,478		761 772 827 994 ,219	34 34 37 50 56	17 14 05 57	Total 4,032 4,545 4,850 5,685 5,935 6,200	2,712 3,045 3,262 3,823 3,962 4,159	1,319 1,500 1,588 1,862 1,972 2,041	245 250 265 342 396 420
1949—June. July August. September. October. November. December.	481 492 492 490 499 497 532	500 492 498 518 556 548 571	786 788 797 971 1,162 1,216 1,109	1,142 1,160 1,088 903 744 688 793	1,502 1,512 1,511 1,516 1,517 1,517	1 1 1 1 1	,461 ,435 ,438 ,477 ,476 ,483 ,534	56 50 51 54 51 53	08 10 18 11	6,025 5,973 5,922 6,009 6.050 6,066 6,202	3,961 3,939 3,896 3,959 3,997 3,977 4,161	2,064 2,034 2,026 2,049 2,053 2,089 2,041	410 413 412 413 414 422 427
1950—January February March April May	502 476 485 493 482	571 539 534 530 538	1.229 1,169 1,106 1,177 1,197	627 471 444 402 364	1,513 1,503 1,503 1,502 1,503	1 1 1	,526 ,574 ,602 ,630 ,648	54 54 55 55 55	11 53 52	6,085 5,841 5,783 5,843 5,847	4,058 3,844 3,812 3,876 3,870	2,027 1,997 1,971 1,968 1,976	423 432 443 444 439
			Asse	ts							Liabilitie	28	
Canada (10 chartered banks. End of month figures	Enti	rely in Can	ada	Security loans abroad			ther	Not				in Canada nk deposits	Other liabilities
in millions of Canadian dollars)	Cash reserves	Security loans	Other loans and discounts	and net due from foreign banks	Securiti		ssets	circu tion		Total	Deman	d Time	and capital
1943—December	471 550 694 753 731 749	48 92 251 136 105 101	1,156 1,211 1,274 1,507 1,999 2,148	250 214 227 132 106 144	2,940 3,611 4,038 4,232 3,874 4,268	1	744 782 869 ,039 ,159	3 2 2 1	12 34 26 21 18	4,395 5,137 5,941 6,252 6,412 7,027	2,447 2,714 3,076 2,783 2,671 2,970	1,948 2,423 2,865 3,469 3,740 4,057	1,172 1,289 1,386 1,525 1,544 1,537
1949—June. July. August September. October. November. December.	734 751 789 789 830 758 765	72 77 78 103 137 119 133	2,195 2,188 2,174 2,304 2,336 2,356 2,271	141 143 132 190 170 161 146	4,396 4,460 4,527 4,463 4,327 4,395 4,345	1 1 1 1 1	,130 952 ,035 ,129 ,142 ,084 ,058	1 1 1 1	15 14 14 14 14	7,183 7,130 7,298 7,474 7,441 7,388 7,227	2,853 2,789 2,926 3,062 2,988 2,941 2,794	4,330 4,341 4,372 4,412 4,453 4,447 4,433	1,471 1,425 1,407 1,490 1,488 1,471 1,477
1950—January	745 749 731 730 759	100 84 83 103 105	2,263 2,299 2,344 2,349 2,352	158 149 146 175 198	4,365 4,391 4,453 4,398 4,408	1 1 1	,033 ,046 ,081 ,015 ,091	(3) (3) (3)		7,197 7,277 7,400 7,301 7,417	2,703 2,741 2,828 2,741 2,860	4,494 4,537 4,573 4,561 4,557	1,467 1,439 1,438 1,468 1,495
France			Assets							1	Liabilities		
(4 large banks. End of month figures in millions of francs)	Cash reserves	Due from banks	Bills dis			ther	To	tal		nand	Time	Own accept- ances	Other liabilities and capital
1943—December	8,541 10,365 14,733 18,007 22,590 45,397	4,086 4,948 14,128 18,940 19,378 35,633	90,908 99,782 155,472 195,223 219,386 354,245	18,65 36,62 65,17 86,87	51 1 21 4 70 17 75 27	,216 ,521 ,783 ,445 ,409	112, 128, 215, 291, 341, 552,	843 734 615 945 547	111 126 213 290 338	,302 ,555 ,592 ,055 ,090 ,538	1,541 2,179 2,023 1,890 3,457 6,683	428 557 2,904 15,694 25,175 30,638	5,725 5,977 7,218 7,145 8,916 12,691
1949—May. June. July. August. September. October. November. December	42,636 39,514 46,205 41,276 42,358 41,534 38,343 40,937	36,346 36,995 38,626 36,888 38,392 39,301 43,810 42,311	346,974 363,168 407,822 395,351 402,754 451,597 400,043 426,690	134,22 124,09 128,80 128,34 120,35 134,77	26 41 98 43 94 45 13 43 53 42	,346 ,466 ,852 ,310 ,074 ,724 ,063	551, 562, 601, 587, 595, 633, 597, 627,	038 745 137 353 092	555 595 580 588 626 589	,870 ,184 ,063 ,010 ,687 ,211 ,900 ,204	7,088 6,854 6,682 7,127 6,666 6,881 7,416 8,062	33,376 28,384 29,700 29,105 25,645 23,537 25,032 26,355	22,874 24,948 29,157 31,387 33,922 38,881 40,690 15,662

¹ From September 1939 through November 1946, this table represents aggregates of figures reported by individual banks for days, varying from bank to bank, toward the end of the month. After November 1946, figures for all banks are compiled on the third Wednesday of each month, except in June and December, when the statements give end-of-month data.
² Represent six-month loans to the Treasury at 1 ½ per cent through Oct. 20, 1945, and at ½ per cent thereafter.
³ Less than \$500,000.

33,866 36,056 39,298 40,506

630,113 632,035 619,146 652,570

622,110 623,031 609,776 639,878

138,276 137,143 134,771 126,752

423,329 424,838 415,585 452,864

1950-

27,958 29,747 30,629 31,449

19,824 18,252 21,158 24,752

8,003 9,005 9,371 12,692

39,317 36,419 38,741 44,808

-January..... February..... March..... April.....

43,107 45,579 42,539 43,843

Note.—For back figures and figures on German commercial banks, see Banking and Monetary Statistics, Tables 168-171, pp. 648-655, and for description of statistics see pp. 566-571 in same publication.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE RATES

[Averages of certified noon buying rates in New York for cable transfers. In cents per unit of foreign currency]

•			Argentina (peso)		:			Belgium		azil eiro)	Can (do	ada lar)
Year or month	Basic	Prefer- ential "A"	Prefer- ential "B"	Special	Free	Official	Free	(franc)	Official	Free	Official	Fre e
1944 1945 1946 1947 1948	29.773 29.773 29.773 29.773 29.773 29.774	20.695	25.125 25.125 25.125 25.125 25.125 25.125 23.355	20.000		32: 32: 32:	321.17 1.34 1.00 1.22 3.80	2.2860 2.2829 2.2817 2.2816 12.2009	5.4 5.4	5.1469 5.1802 403 4406 4406	90,909 90,909 95,198 100,000 100,000 97,491	89.853 90.485 93.288 91.999 91.691 92.881
1949—Aug Sept Oct Nov Dec	29.773 29.773 29.778 29.778 29.778	20.695 20.695 20.695	25.125 25.125 17.456 17.456 17.456	20.000 20.000 13.896 13.896 13.896		27- 22: 22:	1.03 4.39 3.16 3.16 3.16	2.2750 2.1684 1.9960 1.9980 1.9998	5.4 5.4 5.4	1406 1406 1406 1406 1406	100.000 95.909 90.909 90.909 90.909	95.248 92.724 90.431 89.864 88.407
1950—Jan Feb Mar Apr May June July	29.778 29.778 29.778 29.778 29.778 29.778 29.778 29.778	20.695 20.695 20.695 20.695 20.695 20.695 20.695	17.456 17.456 17.456 17.456 17.456 17.456 17.456	13.896 13.896 13.896 13.896 13.896 13.896 13.896	2 11 . 100	22. 22. 22. 22. 22.	3.16 3.16 3.16 3.16 3.16 3.16 3.16	2.0003 1.9993 1.9966 1.9912 1.9921 1.9866 1.9835	5.4 5.4 5.4 5.4	1406 1406 1406 1406 1406 1406 1406	90.909 90.909 90.909 90.909 90.909 90.909 90.909	89.205 89.820 90.254 90.205 90.110 90.456 90.766
Year or month	Ceylon (rupee)	Colom- bia	Czecho- slovakia	Den- mark		nce inc)	Germany (deutsche	India 3 (rupee)	Mexico (peso)	Neth- erlands	New Zealand	Norway
month	(rupee)	(peso)	(koruna)	(krone)	Official	Free	mark)	(Tupee)	(peso)	(guilder)	(pound)	(krone)
1944	27.839	57.272 57.014 57.020 57.001 57.006	2.0060 2.0060 2.0060 2.0060 2.0060	20.876 20.864 20.857 19.117	3.	0711 3409 3407 .3240 .3017		30.122 30.122 30.155 30.164 30.169 27.706	20.581 20.581 20.581 20.577 18.860 12.620	37.933 37.813 37.760 37.668 34.528	324.42 323.46 322.63 322.29 350.48 365.07	20.176 20.160 20.159 18.481
1949—Aug Sept Oct Nov Dec	30.117 30.117 20.804 20.850 20.850		2.0060 2.0060 2.0060 2.0060 2.0060	20.854 18.177 14.494 14.494 14.494	.4671 .4671	.3025 .2949 .2861 .2862 .2862		30.168 27.247 20.823 20.870 20.870	11.569 11.572 11.570 11.571 11.572	37.607 32.845 26.300 26.295 26.289	398.90 340.95 277.30 277.30 277.29	20.158 17.572 14.015 14.015 14.015
1950—Jan Feb Mar Apr May June July	20.850 20.850 20.850 20.850 20.850 20.850 20.851		2.0060 2.0060 2.0060 2.0060 2.0060 2.0060 2.0060	14.494 14.494 14.494 14.494 14.494 14.494 14.494		.2863 .2863 .2863 .2860 .2859 .2856 .2856	423.838	20.870 20.870 20.870 20.870 20.870 20.870 20.871	11.572 11.572 11.571 11.564 11.564 11.563 11.571	26.278 26.257 26.267 26.262 26.264 26.265 26.252	277.29 277.29 277.29 277.29 277.29 277.29 277.29	14.015 14.015 14.015 14.015 14.015 14.015 14.015
Year or month	Philip- pine Republic	Portu- gal (escudo)	South Africa (pound)	Spain (peseta)	Straits Settle- ments	Swe- den	Switz- erland	King	ited idom und)		Uruguay (peso)	
	(peso)	(escudo)	(pound)		(dollar)	(krona)	(franc)	Official	Free			
1944		4 0501 4 0273 4 0183 3 8800	398.00 399.05 400.50 400.74 400.75 366.62	9.132 9.132 9.132	42.973	l. .		402 403	403.02 3.28 2.86 3.13 3.72	65.830 65.830 65.830 65.830 65.830 65.830	53.506 55.159 56.280 56.239 56.182 56.180	42.553
1949—Aug Sept Oct Nov Dec	49.739 49.734	4.0169 3.7862 3.4875 3.4810 3.4817	400.75 342.48 278.38 278.38 278.38		46.869 41.846 32.608 32.547 32.692	27.823 24.003 19.333 19.333 19.333	23.363 23.283 23.085 23.176 23.289	344 280 280	2.89 4.36 0.09 0.08 0.07	65.830 65.830 65.830	56.180 56.180 56.180 56.180	42.553
1950—Jan Feb Mar Apr May June July	49.617 49.615 49.613 49.613 49.616 49.625 49.625	3.4856 3.4673 3.4587 3.4595 3.4577 3.4788 3.4539	278.38 278.38 278.38 278.38 278.38 278.38 278.38		32.717 32.713 32.722 32.734 32.761 32.807 32.818	19.333 19.333 19.333 19.333 19.333 19.333 19.333	23.281 23.264 23.269 23.286 23.291 23.138 23.047	280 280 280 280 280).07).07).07).07).07).07	65.833 65.833 65.833 65.833 65.833 65.833 65.833	56.180 56.180 56.180 56.180 56.180 56.180 56.180	42.553 42.553 42.553 42.553 42.553 42.553 42.553

¹ An additional rate for "Bank notes" account was certified from Mar. 22 through Nov. 10, 1949. The average for this period was 2.1407 U. S. cents.

² Based on quotations beginning July 13.

³ Excludes Pakistan, beginning April 1948.

⁴ Based on quotations beginning June 22.

North For both forwards Resulting and Marston Statistics Table 173, pp. 662, 682. For description of statistics, see pp. 573, 573 in some

Note.—For back figures, see Banking and Monetary Statistics, Table 173, pp. 662-682. For description of statistics, see pp. 572-573 in same publication, and for further information concerning rates and averages for previous years, see Bulletin for January 1950, p. 123; October 1949, p. 1291; January 1949, p. 101; July 1947, p. 933; and February 1944, p. 209.

PRICE MOVEMENTS IN PRINCIPAL COUNTRIES WHOLESALE PRICES—ALL COMMODITIES

[Index numbers]

Year or month	United States (1926 = 100)	Canada (1926 = 100)	Mexico (1939 = 100)	United Kingdom (1930 = 100)	France (1938 = 100)	Italy (1938 = 100)	Japan (1934-36 average =1)	Nether- lands (July 1938- June 1939 =100)	Sweden (1935 = 100)	Switzer- land (Aug. 1939 =100)1
1926	100	100		² 124	106	,	,	150	² 126	1 135
1937 1938 1939 1940 1941 1942 1943 1944 1945 1946 1947 1948	86 79 77 79 87 99 103 104 106 121 152 165	85 79 75 83 90 96 100 103 104 109 129 153 157	103 110 121 146 179 199 229 242 260 285	109 101 103 137 153 159 163 166 169 175 192 219	89 100 105 139 171 201 234 265 375 648 989 1,712 1,917	94 100 104 121 136 153 5,159 5,443 5,170	1 1 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 4 16 48 128 204	108 102 105 131 150 157 160 164 181 251 271 281	114 111 115 146 172 189 196 196 194 186 199 214	1 104 1 100 104 133 171 195 203 207 205 200 208 217 206
1949—June. July August. September. October. November. December.	155 154 153 154 152 152 152	156 157 155 155 157 157	285 289 288 294 296 294 293	232 229 230 231 237 240 241	1.812 1,854 1.918 1.958 2,002 2,005 2,002	5,215 5,034 4,889 4,910 4,841 4,826 4,747	203 204 208 211 214 213 213	294 293 293 295 297 306 306	216 215 214 216 218 218 219	205 206 205 203 200 200 199
1950—January	152 153 153 153 156 157	157 158 159 160 162 165	288 291 304 307 307 304	245 245 245 250 255 256	2,063 2,057 2,102 2,097 22,081 2,035	4,732 4,759 4,759 4,732 p4,694	224 222 p223 p221 p221	310 313 315 313 315	219 220 220 221 221 221 p223	197 195 195 194 197 196

WHOLESALE PRICES—GROUPS OF COMMODITIES

[Indexes for groups included in total index above]

		nited Stat 1926 = 100			Canada (1926 = 100)	United 1 (1930	Kingdom =100)		letherland 38-June 19	
Year or month	Farm products	Foods	Other commod- ities	Farm products	Raw and partly manu-factured goods	Fully and chiefly manu- factured goods	Foods	Indus- trial products	Foods	Indus- trial raw products	Indus- trial finished products
1926	100	100	100	100	100	100			,		
1937. 1938. 1939. 1940. 1941. 1942. 1943. 1944. 1945. 1946. 1947. 1948.	86 69 65 68 82 106 123 123 128 149 149 181	86 74 70 71 83 100 107 105 106 131 169 179 r161	85 82 81 83 89 96 97 99 100 110 135 151	87 74 64 68 73 85 98 107 115 124 133 150	84 73 67 75 82 90 104 106 110 131 156	81 78 75 82 89 92 93 94 94 99 117 140	102 97 97 133 146 158 160 158 158 158 165 181	112 104 106 138 156 160 164 170 175 184 207 242	103 121 140 157 157 159 172 200 214 231 243	112 163 177 175 174 179 193 282 328 342 370	104 126 148 154 159 163 184 261 276 283 297
1949—June	169 166 162 163 160 157 155	162 161 161 162 160 159 156	146 145 145 145 145 145 145 146	149 151 147 146 146 146 146	160 161 159 159 161 161 160	142 142 142 142 143 143 143	202 202 202 201 210 213 212	249 245 244 248 252 255 257	233 233 230 235 244 265 270	367 364 364 366 376 378 372	296 295 295 298 297 303 304
1950— January	155 159 159 159 165 166	155 157 156 155 160 162	146 146 146 146 148 149	144 145 147 148 150 152	160 162 164 165 168 172	143 143 144 144 144 145	214 215 215 221 221 225 224	261 262 262 7266 271 274	275 282 279 272 276	384 381 385 385 386	305 309 310 311 312

[·] Revised.

Sources,-See Bulletin for July 1947, p. 934; May 1942, p. 451; March 1935, p. 180; and March 1931, p. 159.

Preliminary.
 Base changed to August 1939 = 100. Figures for 1926, 1937, and 1938 are calculated from old index (July 1914 = 100).
 Approximate figure, derived from old index (1913 = 100).
 Sources.—See Bulletin for January 1950, p. 124; June 1949, p. 754; June 1948, p. 746; July 1947, p. 934; January 1941, p. 84; April 1937, p. 372; March 1937, p. 276; and October 1935, p. 678.

PRICE MOVEMENTS IN PRINCIPAL COUNTRIES-Continued

RETAIL FOOD PRICES

[Index numbers]

COST OF LIVING [Index numbers]

Year or month	United States (1935-39 =100)	Can- ada (1935-39 =100)	United King- dom (June 17, 1947 =100)	France (1938 =100)	Nether- lands (1938-39 =100)	land	Year or month	United States (1935-39 =100)	Can- ada (1935–39 =100)	United King- dom (June 17, 1947 =100)	France (1938 = 100)	Nether- lands (1938-39 =100)	Switz- er- land (Aug. 1939 = 100)1
1941	106 124 138 136 139 160 194 210 202	116 127 131 131 133 140 160 196 203	168 161 166 168 170 169 2 101 108 114	149 174 224 275 377 645 1.043 1.662 1,814	193 211 228 249	134 153 161 164 164 160 170 176 174	1941	105 117 124 126 128 139 159 171	112 117 118 119 119 124 136 155	199 200 199 201 203 204 * 101 108 111	150 175 224 285 393 645 1,030 1,632 1,818	192 199 206 219	127 141 148 151 153 152 158 163 162
July August September October November. December.	204 202 203 204 201 201 197	203 207 209 207 205 203 202	115 116 116 117 119 119 120	1,715 1,704 1,744 1,835 1,901 1,930 1,937	260 251 246 244 244 251 257	174 174 174 175 175 174 173	1949-June July August September. October November. December.	170 169 169 170 169 169 168	161 162 163 162 162 162 162	111 111 111 112 112 112 113	1,726 1,715 1,753 1,827 1,885 1,912 1,920	223 219 216 216 217 221 226	162 162 162 162 162 162 161 161
1950–January February March April May June	196 195 196 197 200 205	199 201 204 205 205 209	120 121 121 122 125	1,921 1,929 1,920 1,942 1,925 1,858	262 270 274 273 276	171 170 172 172 174 175	1950–January February March April May June	167 167 167 167 169 170	161 162 164 164 164 165	113 113 113 114 114	1,910 1,920 1,906 1,922 1,906 1,845	230 234 237 237 237 2240	159 159 158 158 158 158

Sources.—See BULLETIN for January 1950, p. 125; July 1947, p. 935; May 1942, p. 451; October 1939, p. 943; and April 1937, p. 373.

SECURITY PRICES

[Index numbers except as otherwise specified]

			Bonds					Common stoo	cks	
Year or month	United States ¹ (high grade)	Canada ² (1935-39 =100)	United Kingdom (December 1921 = 100)	France (1938 = 100)	Nether- lands ³	United States (1935-39 =100)	Canada 4 (1935-39 =100)	United Kingdom (1926 = 100)	France 5 (December 1938 = 100)	Nether- lands (1938 = 100)
Number of issues	12	(2)	87	50	14	416	106	278	s 295	27
1942	123.3 103.2 98.7 101.9 102.0 103.0 103.1 102.8 103.2 103.7 104.0 104.0 104.1 (7)	100.7 102.6 103.0 105.2 117.2 118.5 105.0 107.6 106.6 107.9 108.9 112.2 112.1 110.7	127.3 127.8 127.8 127.5 128.3 132.1 130.8 129.9 126.5 127.1 123.6 122.7 121.7 118.9 121.1	146.4 146.6 150.5 152.1 144.6 132.0 117.0 109.4 107.3 108.4 109.3 110.5 110.2 109.9 109.5 111.5 112.3 112.3	109.0 105.6 107.1 106.8 107.3 107.3 106.9 108.0 108.7 109.4 110.1 110.4 109.0 108.7 108.3	69.4 91.9 99.8 121.5 139.9 123.0 124.4 121.4 117.8 121.8 127.3 129.1 132.7 135.1 136.7 138.8 146.9 147.7	64.2 83.5 83.8 99.6 115.7 106.0 112.5 109.4 104.2 109.6 114.3 118.2 117.9 119.0 118.3 118.7 125.9 128.7	75.3 84.5 88.6 92.4 96.2 94.6 92.0 87.6 84.0 85.6 88.5 86.5 87.7 87.8 89.1 89.6 90.9	875 1,149 1,262 1,129 1,122 1,168 1,148 1,110 1,042 1,085 1,036 1,045 1,024 1,019 p1,056	202.2 211.2 195.3 196.3 204.3 209.6 207.5 203.6 204.6 204.2 202.5 197.0 191.0 189.6 190.8

Sources.—See Bulletin for June 1948, p. 747; March 1947, p. 349; November 1937, p. 1172; July 1937, p. 698; April 1937, p. 373; June 1935, p. 394; and February 1932, p. 121.

Preliminary.

New index beginning March 1950. Figures shown prior to that month are calculated from old index (June 1914 = 100). For a detailed description of the new index, which embodies a different composition, method of calculation, and system of weights, see La Vie Economique, January 1950, pp. 2-10, and appendix.

This average is based on figures for the new index, beginning June. The averages for the old index, based on figures for January-June 17, are 166 for retail food prices and 203 for cost of living.

Preliminary.

1 New series beginning 1947, derived from average yields of 12 bonds on basis of a 2¾ per cent 30-year bond. Annual average for the old series for 1947 (121.5) and figures for years prior to 1947 are derived from average of 5 median yields in a list of 15 issues on basis of a 4 per cent 20-year bond. Source.—Standard and Poor's Corporation; for compilations of back figures on prices of both bonds and common stocks in the United States, see Banking and Monetary Statistics, Table 130, p. 475, and Table 133, p. 479.

2 This index is based on one 15-year 3 per cent theoretical bond. Yearly figures are averages of monthly quotations on the capitalized yield as calculated on the 15th of every month.

3 This index represents the reciprocals of average yields for 14 issues, including government, provincial, municipal, mortgage, and industrial bonds. The average yield in the base period (January-March 1937) was 3.39 per cent.

4 This index is based on 95 common stocks through 1944; on 100 stocks, 1945–1948; and on 106 stocks beginning 1949.

5 In September 1946 this index was revised to include 185 metropolitan issues, 90 issues of colonial France, and 20 issues of French companies abroad. See "Bulletin de la Statistique Générale," September-November 1946, p. 424.

8 This index is based on 27 Netherlands industrial shares and represents an unweighted monthly average of daily quotations. The figures are not comparable with data for previous years shown in earlier Bulletins.

7 Series discontinued beginning Apr. 1, 1950.

Sources,—See Bulletin for June 1948, p. 747; March 1947, p. 349; November 1937, p. 1172; July 1937, p. 698; April 1937, p. 373; June

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