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## Preface

Changes in unit labor cost in manufacturing in the principal industrial nations of the free world are an important factor in changes in the balance of trade and the balance of payments. They are also useful in comparing wage and price stability at home and abroad.

This bulletin presents units labor cost indexes, the underlying statistical data from which the indexes are constructed, and related estimates of hourly labor cost and output per man-hour in nine countries for the period 1950-65. It also presents certain conclusions drawn from the data and describes the procedures and limitations involved in making the estimates.

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# Unit Labor Cost in Manufacturing 

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#### Abstract

Note: All United States national accounts data in this bulletin are taken from estimates published by the U.S. Department of Commerce prior to the major revisions in benchmark levels currently being completed. Because of anticipated changes in benchmark estimates and the reworking of constant-value output estimates in terms of 1958 dollars instead of 1954 dollars, the indexes of U.S. labor cost and productivity presented here may require changes when the national accounts revisions are completed.


## Introduction

For many years the United States has continued its effort to balance its international transactions while carrying out major commitments at home and abroad. Since the foreign trade account is by far the principal source of surplus in the U.S. balance of payments, trade occupies a crucial position in this effort. Hence, considerable importance attaches to the many factors affecting trade, including labor cost and other production costs at home and abroad. ${ }^{1}$

Compensation of labor is the principal cost factor in manufacturing as a whole (though not necessarily for individual industries) throughout the industrialized nations of the world. In the U.S. manufacturing sector, for example, employee compensation amounted to 68 percent of gross product originating in 1963; and for other industrial countries also, labor is the dominant input cost, although not necessarily as dominant as in this country. The purpose of this study is to examine trends in the relationship between industrial output and the cost of labor input for the principal industrial countries of the free world.

Unit labor cost is the ratio of labor expenditure to production. In this bulletin, labor expenditure includes all payments to labor, consisting of wages and other direct payments and legally required and voluntary supplements paid to employees or into special employee
benefit funds. Production, as used in this study, refers to the total physical output of the manufacturing sector. An index of unit labor cost may be calculated from indexes of labor expenditure and production rather than from volume figures of expenditure and production. The technical problems of defining and measuring unit labor cost have been described in the Monthly Labor Review. ${ }^{2}$

The nine countries covered in the present study are the United States, Canada, France, Federal Republic of Germany, Italy, Japan, the Netherlands, Sweden, and the United Kingdom. The time period covered by the indexes is from 1950 through 1965. Published information and estimates on labor compensation, hours of work, production, and labor productivity have been included in the text or appendix materials.

The indexes of unit labor cost show the trends for all manufacturing within each country. However, the trends for specific manufacturing industries may diverge from these overall trends, and absolute unit labor cost in one country may be quite different from that of another country at any one point in time.

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## Long-Term Trends

From the standpoint of labor cost per unit of output, American manufacturers in the mid1960's have achieved a better competitive position relative to foreign producers than they held in the late 1950's. This conclusion emerges clearly from an inspection of the time series indexes in all nine countries, taking account of changes in the exchange rates in four of the countries. For analytical purposes, the 14 years following 1950 may be divided into two contrasting periods of 7 years each, although other breaks could be used.

1950 to 1957. From 1950 to 1957, all nine countries underwent substantial inflationary pressures, varying in degree, but generally sufficient to buoy unit labor costs markedly upward. During this early period, the Korean conflict and the Suez incident interfered with the attempts being made in many of the countries to overcome domestic shortages, regain pre-World War II markets, and develop new markets. Nevertheless, rationing and price controls were greatly reduced, and the return to free market conditions increased export competition. Great progress was made toward liberalizing trade and reducing tariffs, but numerous trade restrictions and exchange controls remained in effect in 1957. These restrictions and controls were particularly important in transactions affecting the dollar zone.
From 1950 to 1957, unit labor cost in the United States rose about the same as the average in the other countries. ${ }^{3}$ As shown by the all-employee changes in chart 1 , at the end of the period this country occupied a middle position between Japan's decrease at the lower extreme and Sweden's 67-percent increase. France's doubling of all-employee cost far outstripped rises in the other nations.

Estimates of unit labor cost trends for wage earners in foreign countries and production workers in the United States ${ }^{4}$ display slightly less change during 1950-57 than do the corresponding all-employee estimates. This differential movement is attributable largely to a tendency in each country for manufacturing industries to increase the proportion of managerial, technical, and clerical personnel to pro-
duction workers, though differential changes in compensation had some effect.

1957 to 1965. After 1957, the international competition faced by U.S. manufacturers increased sharply for reasons other than cost. Domestic markets in many European countries and Japan were becoming saturated, reducing the propensity to import and encouraging producers to export. These countries found that they could match American competition in more and more markets, so they reduced restrictions on imports from the dollar zone and restored currency convertibility. The two devaluations of the French franc strengthened France's competitive position and permitted her to take a leading role in this movement.

Imports of manufactured goods into the United States, which had been very small relative to U.S. manufacturing output for almost 2 decades, increased sharply after 1957. At the same time, the U.S. Government, which had been concerned about the surplus in the balance of payments between 1946 and 1950, became concerned about the deficit. Under these circumstances, changes in relative unit labor cost in manufacturing among countries became highly important to the balance of payments problem.

The trends from 1957 to 1965 show a great improvement in the unit labor cost position of

[^1]Chart 1. Percentage Changes in Unit Labor Cost in Manufacturing (Not adjusted for changes in foreign exchange rates)

1950-57


1957-64

the United States relative to its trading partners. For the nine countries as a whole, cost increases since 1957 have been more moderate than during 1950-57. All of the countries with the fastest rates of increase in the earlier period managed to reduce the rate of increase, while only Italy, Japan, and Germany showed greater increases than in the initial 7 years. As these trends developed, the United States and Canada came close to achieving unit labor cost stability.

For the 1957-64 period, as during 1950-57, the tendency for all-employee cost to increase at a faster pace than wage-earner and produc-tion-worker cost can be observed in the trends shown in chart 1. The year-to-year indexes are presented in table 1, with 1957 serving as the base year for all series. The trends are illustrated in a series of graphs on chart 2.

Over the 7 -year period, there were movements which may represent a short-term cycle, probably related to the business cycle. In the 3 years from 1957 to 1960 , unit labor cost for most countries was rather stable. This was fol-
lowed by a 3 -year period of considerable cost inflation in many of the countries. From 1963 to 1964, there was some return to stability; only France, the Netherlands, and Italy showed significant advances.

A distribution of the nine countries by percent increase in unit labor cost for the whole period 1950-64 shows that unit labor cost in France and Sweden increased the most, followed by increases in the Netherlands, the United Kingdom, and Germany. The increases were moderate in the United States and Canada ( 2 to 3 percent per year), while Japan and Italy showed the least increase.

Preliminary data for 1965 show a continuation of the unit labor cost trends of the previous 7 years; that is, no change in the United States, slight increases in Canada and the United Kingdom, and greater increases elsewhere. The 1965 estimates are highly tentative, however, because many are based on available indicators (of production, employment, and earnings), which are often changed significantly as more complete data become available.

Table 1. Indexes of Unit Labor Cost in Manufacturing for Nine Countries, 1950-65

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[1957=100]
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${ }^{1}$ Preliminary. Figures in parentheses are estimates based on sources of current production, wage, and employment data that sources of current production, wage, and
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${ }_{8}^{\text {d Based }}$ on estimates of deflated gross national product originating in manufacturing.
in manufacturing
${ }^{5}$ Manufacturing and mining.

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## Exchange Revaluations

In relating changes in unit labor cost to international commercial competition, it is necessary to take account of changes in international exchange rates. France executed sizable devaluations in 1957 and 1958; Germany and the Netherlands revalued their currencies upward by 5 percent in 1961; and Canada set an official exchange rate in 1961 which was significantly below the value that had prevailed under the fluctuating exchange system previously operating. Adjustments have been made in the unit labor cost calculations for these four countries to reflect changes in the commercial exchange rate or par value of their currencies. The adjusted figures are shown in table 1 and chart 2. Where revaluations occurred during the middle of a calendar year, the old and new rates have been prorated into an average rate for the year without allowance for any time lag. No adjustments have been made for fluctuations in currency values within the limits of 0.75 percent on either side of the par value, generally permitted under International Monetary Fund trading regulations.
The effects of currency valuation adjustments can be seen clearly in the Canadian experience. When Canadian 1964 unit labor cost is measured in U.S. dollars-that is, adjusted for the exchange devaluation-it is 9 percent below the 1957 level, but it runs 3 percent above the 1957 level when measured in Canadian dollars. For France, after taking account of currency devaluations, unit labor cost increased by only 14 percent since 1957, as compared to a 48 -percent increase when measured in francs. In Germany and the Netherlands, on the other hand, the cost increases are augmented when the 1961 revaluations are applied.

The situation in France from 1950 to 1957 presents a special analytical problem. The legal exchange rate was held at 350 francs to the dollar, but the effective commercial rate often differed from this figure because of an elaborate system of import charges and export incentives. This situation existed, with frequent regulatory changes in detail, from the early 1950's until the 1957 devaluation. In the indexes shown here, no attempt has been made to adjust the official rate to a more realistic aver-

Table 2. Percent Change in Manufacturing Production, AgGregate Labor Compensation, ${ }^{1}$ and Unit labor Cost in Nine Countries, Annual Averages, 1950-57 and 1957-64

| Country | 1950-57 |  |  | 1957-64 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Pro-duction | Labor com-pensation | Unit <br> labor <br> cost | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Pro- } \\ & \text { duc- } \\ & \text { tion } \end{aligned}$ | Labor com-pensation | $\begin{gathered} \text { Unit } \\ \text { labor } \\ \text { cost } \end{gathered}$ |
| All employees: United States: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Series A. | 4.0 | 6.7 | 2.6 | 4.6 | 4.3 | -0.3 |
| Series B | 3.1 | 6.7 | 3.5 | 3.7 | 4.3 | 6 |
| Canada- | 4.4 | 7.4 | 2.9 | 4.0 | 4.4 | . 3 |
| France.-.- ${ }_{\text {German }} \mathbf{F} \mathbf{R} \mathbf{R}$ ) | 11.8 | 14.2 | 8.4 | 8.8 | 12.0 | 3.4 |
| Japan- | 17.2 | 16.1 | -1.0 | 15.3 | 17.2 | 1.6 |
| Netherlands | 6.3 | 10.5 | 4.0 | 6.4 | 10.0 | 8.4 |
| Sweden ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 2.9 | 9.9 | 6.8 | 6.9 | 8.8 | 1.8 |
| United Kingdom....-- | 3.4 | 8.6 | 5.0 | 3.5 | 6.1 | 2.4 |
| Production workers: United States: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Series A | 4.0 | 5.4 | 1.3 | 4.6 | 3.6 | -1.0 |
| Series B | 8.1 | 5.4 | 2.2 | 3.7 | 3.6 | $-.1$ |
| Wage earners: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Italy | 88.5 | 6.9 | -1.5 | 8.5 | 11.7 | 2.0 |
| Sweden ${ }^{2}$ | 2.9 | 9.5 | 6.4 | 6.9 | 7.3 |  |
| United Kingdom | 3.4 | 8.5 | 4.9 | 3.5 | 5.2 | 1.6 |
| Adjusted for currency revaluations: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Canada, all employees |  |  | 4.4 |  |  | 1.7 |
| France, all employees- |  |  | 7.9 |  |  | 2.8 |
| Germany: <br> All employees |  |  | 1.3 |  |  | 4.8 |
| Wage earners---- |  |  | . 9 |  |  | 3.4 |
| N etherlands, all employees. |  |  | 4.0 |  |  | 4.5 |

${ }^{1}$ Aggregate labor compensation refers to total payments to labor for wages and salaries, social insurance, and voluntary supplements.

Manufacturing and mining.
Note: Rates of change are computed from the least squares trend of the logarithms of the index numbers.
age commercial rate. Nor has an attempt been made to adjust the rate for the British pound for the temporary import surtax that was introduced in October 1964.

## Growth in Manufacturing

Since unit labor cost is the ratio of labor expenditure to production, trends in unit labor costs may be analyzed in terms of the trends in labor expenditure and production, which are the numerator and denominator of the fraction. These data are set forth, in table 2, as annual rates of change for the two 7 -year periods considered previously. In general, the United States has shown more moderate percent increases than other countries in total manufacturing labor expenditure and in total manufacturing production. Japan, Italy, and Germany have shown the most rapid increases in production and the most rapid increases in labor expenditure. In the earlier of the two periods, these countries were still replacing production facilities destroyed during World War

Chart 2. Indexes of Unit Labor Cost in Nine Countries, $1950-65$

1957=100 (Semilogarithmic scale)

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Chart 2. INDEXES OF UNIT LABOR COST IN NINE COUNTRIES, 1950-65 .. Continued






II, but the continuation of the high industrial growth rates during 1957-64 was impressive. The most outstanding growth has occurred in Japan, where manufacturing production has more than quadrupled since 1953.

There is no clear-cut relationship between growth in manufacturing and control of unit labor cost. The countries which have shown the lowest rate of increase in unit labor cost are the United States and Canada, which had slow growth rates, and Japan, which had the highest growth rate.

## Hourly Labor Cost

Another way to measure unit labor cost is to calculate the ratio of labor compensation per man-hour to output per man-hour. As long as identical hours data are reflected in the two denominators, this approach will yield the same result as a measurement based on the ratio of total labor expenditure to total output.

The total man-hours of labor figure constitutes a third aggregate for analysis; this figure makes it possible to determine other important ratios besides unit labor cost. When computed from aggregates, the ratios may be expressed as follows:
(1)

$$
\left.\begin{array}{ll}
\frac{\text { Total compensation }}{\text { Total output }} & =\begin{array}{c}
\text { Compensation per unit of } \\
\text { output }
\end{array} \\
& =\text { Unit labor cost }
\end{array}\right] \begin{aligned}
& \text { (2) } \\
& \frac{\text { Total compensation }}{\text { Total man-hours }}=\text { Compensation per man-hour } \\
&=\text { Hourly labor cost } \\
& \frac{\text { Total output }}{\text { Total man-hours }}=\text { Labor productivity } \\
&=\text { Output per man-hour } \\
& \text { (4) }=\text { Man-hours per unit of } \\
& \frac{\text { Total man-hours }}{\text { Total output }}=\text { Unit man-hours }
\end{aligned}
$$

Man-hours are not measured in a uniform manner in all countries. In the United States and certain other countries, the principal hours data represent hours for which pay is given, or "paid hours." Elsewhere, hours data represent hours actually spent at the workplace, or
"hours worked." An additional difficulty in estimating total man-hours is that salaried employees are usually compensated on a weekly or monthly basis, and many countries do not collect hours data for this employee class. Published or estimated data on total hours are presented in the appendix tables to this bulletin, with an indication of the hours definition used in each country. Trends in hourly labor cost are shown in index form in table 3.

The United States is the only country listed that did not at least double its average hourly compensation in manufacturing between 1950 and 1964. The U.S. increase was 94 percent over the 14 years, compared to 102 percent in Canada, 144 percent in the United Kingdom, 169 percent in Italy, and over 200 percent in France, Germany, Japan, and Sweden.

The relative rise from 1950 to 1957 was greater than from 1957 to 1964 in most countries. In the first 7 years, average hourly compensation in the United States rose 52 percent, but in the latter 7 years, by only 28 percent. In each period, the U.S. rise was about the lowest among all countries.

In spite of this slower rise, U.S. hourly labor cost is still the highest of any nation. The differences in the level of hourly compensation from one country to another are more difficult to analyze than the differences in trend. Compensation is paid in the currency of the individual country and is ordinarily spent within that country. From the welfare or benefit viewpoint, compensation must be measured in terms of its purchasing power within the country, and that is not attempted in this bulletin.

From the viewpoint of international trade, unit labor cost converted into U.S. dollars at the commercial or official rates of exchange is more meaningful than hourly labor cost. ${ }^{5}$ Nevertheless, there are circumstances under which the comparison of hourly labor cost converted to U.S. dollars is meaningful. The following tabulation shows average hourly compensation in each country relative to the United States for all manufacturing in 1950, 1957, and 1964. The figures are based on conversions at the

[^2]official rates of exchange during the years given.

|  | Relative of average hourly compensation in manufacturing (U.S. $=100$ ) |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1950 | 1957 | 1964 |
| United States | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| Canada | 62 | 75 | 66 |
| France | 121 | 24 | (226) |
| Germany (F.R.) | 22 | 25 | 39 |
| Italy ${ }^{3}$ | 20 | 20 | 29 |
| Japan | 17 | 8 | (213) |
| Sweden | 33 | 42 | (254) |
|  | 26 | 28 | 33 |
| ${ }^{1} 1951$. <br> ${ }^{2}$ Estimate. <br> ${ }^{8}$ Data for wage earners, compar | ed to U | uctio |  |

Although average hourly compensation in the other countries has risen at a more rapid rate than in the United States, the table shows that the level of compensation in all of the other countries is still lower than in the United States. Average compensation in Canada has generally been about one-third below the U.S. level. (The relatively high Canadian level in 1957 was due almost entirely to the peak exchange value of the Canadian dollar during that year.) The Swedish level reached an estimated 54 percent of the U.S. level by 1964, and the level in the other countries was less than 40 percent of the U.S. level in all years.

Adjustment of the hourly compensation estimates for the lower prices of consumer goods and services abroad would raise some of the percentages (in terms of purchasing power)

[^3]considerably, but would still leave all of them below the U.S. level. Such an adjustment for each of the 3 years would also reduce the percentage increase from 1950 to 1964 for most countries, because the consumer price index for each of these countries has risen more rapidly than that of the United States.

## Output Per Man-Hour

Trends in output per man-hour in manufacturing, the third important ratio, are shown in table 4. The data show that output per manhour in manufacturing increased by 40 percent in the United States ${ }^{6}$ and 45 percent in the United Kingdom. The increases in Canada and France were about 50 percent in 14 years, and the increase in Sweden appears to have been slightly higher. In the Netherlands, output per man-hour doubled, and in Germany, Italy, and Japan, it rose well over 100 percent between 1950 and 1964.

The three countries with the greatest increase in indexes of output per man-hour were those countries that suffered the heaviest damage to manufacturing plants and equipment during World War II. Their rapid increase can be explained in part by the abnormally low levels of output that prevailed as late as 1950, when these countries were still restoring their economies. Many of their industries were rebuilt with newer and more efficient equipment than that of other industrial countries.

Economically, there is a relationship between the rate of productivity gain and

Table 3. Indexes of Average Hourly Labor Cost of Wage and Salary Earners in Manufacturing in Nine Countries, 1950-64
[1957=100]

| Country | 1950 | 1951 | 1952 | 1953 | 1954 | 1955 | 1956 | 1957 | 1958 | 1959 | 1960 | 1961 | 1962 | 1963 | 1964 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| All employees: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| United Sta | 66 | 73 | 78 | 82 | 86 | 89 | 94 | 100 | 104 | 108 | 112 | 116 | 120 | 124 | 128 |
| Canada | 63 | 70 | 77 | 82 | 86 | 89 | 94 | 100 | 106 | 109 | 115 | 116 | 120 | 123 | 127 |
| France. | 43 | 61 | 71 | 75 | 79 | 85 | 91 | 100 | 121 | 131 | 141 | 147 | 160 | 175 | 191 |
| Germany (F.R.) | 58 | 67 | 72 | 75 | 77 | 82 | 90 | 100 | 109 | 115 | 129 | 143 | 162 | 174 | 189 |
| Japan--- | 63 | 66 | 75 | 82 | 88 | 93 | 97 | 100 | 103 | 111 | 123 | 142 | 163 | 181 | (1) |
| Netherlands | 54 | 61 | 64 | 67 | 74 | 81 | 90 | 100 | 104 | 107 | 118 | 136 | 152 | 166 | 191 |
| Sweden ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 52 | 62 | 73 | 77 | 81 | 87 | 99 | 100 | 106 | 111 | 119 | 128 | 140 | 151 | (1) |
| United Kingdom | 61 | 66 | 73 | 77 | 81 | 87 | 94 | 100 | 106 | 111 | 119 | 127 | 133 | 139 | 149 |
| Production workers: | 67 | 75 | 79 | 84 | 86 | 89 | 94 | 100 | 103 | 106 | 111 | 113 | 117 | 121 | 125 |
| Wage earners: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Germany (F.R.) | 58 | 67 | 71 | 74 | 77 | 82 | 90 | 100 | 109 | 115 | 129 | 144 | 162 | 176 | 192 |
| Italy---1 | 67 | 73 | 79 | 82 | 85 | 90 | 97 | 100 | 105 | 1107 | 112 | 120 | 138 | 160 | 180 |
| United Kingdom | 60 | 65 | 71 | 77 | 81 | 86 87 | 95 95 | 100 100 | 106 106 | 1110 | 117 118 | ${ }_{126}^{126}$ | 137 131 | 148 136 | 147 |

[^4]${ }^{2}$ Manufacturing and mining.

Table 4. Indexes of Output per Man-hour in Manufacturing in Nine Countries, 1950-64

| Country | 1950 | 1951 | 1952 | 1953 | 1954 | 1955 | 1956 | 1957 | 1958 | 1959 | 1960 | 1961 | 1962 | 1963 | 1964 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| All employees: <br> United States: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Series B ${ }^{\text {I }}$ | 87 | 89 | 90 | 92 | 93 | 99 | 97 | 100 | 101 | 106 | 106 | 109 | 115 | 118 | 122 |
| Canada | 82 | 84 | 86 | 89 | 92 | 98 | 100 | 100 | 104 | 109 | 111 | 114 | 117 | 120 | 124 |
| France...-- | 86 | 91 | 93 | 93 | 96 | 97 | 99 | 100 | 111 | 117 | 122 | 120 | 122 | 126 | 129 |
| Germany (F.R.) | 68 | 70 | 77 | 81 | 85 | 90 | 93 | 100 | 105 | 113 | 122 | 128 | 136 | 142 | 153 |
| Japan. | 57 | 62 | 66 | 80 | 84 | 88 | 92 | 100 | 97 | 112 | 126 | 143 | 150 | 160 | (2) |
| Netherlands | 75 | 78 | 79 | 86 | 91 | 96 | 98 | 100 | 100 | 109 | 118 | 125 | 137 | 139 | 151 |
| Sweden ${ }^{3}$ | 86 | 87 | 88 | 91 | 91 | 94 | 98 | 100 | 104 | 110 | 117 | 121 | 127 | 135 | (2) |
| United Kingdom | 89 | 90 | 88 | 91 | 96 | 99 | 98 | 100 | 1.02 | 107 | 113 | 112 | 114 | 120 | 128 |
| Production workers: United States: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Series B ${ }^{1}$.. | 81 | 84 | 86 | 88 | 91 | 96 | 96 | 100 | 104 | 107 | 109 | 113 | 118 | 122 | 126 |
| Wage earners: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Germany (F.R.) | 66 | 68 | 75 | 80 | 83 | 89 | 92 | 100 | 106 | 115 | 125 | 133 | 143 | 152 | 165 |
| Italy | 61 | 69 | 71 | 77 | 83 | 91 | 96 | 100 | 107 | 117 | 123 | 129 | 189 | 147 | 156 |
| Sweden ${ }^{\text {: }}$ | 83 | 84 | 85 | 89 | 89 | 92 | 98 | 100 | 105 | 112 | 119 | 126 | 134 | 144 | ${ }^{(3)}$ |
| United Kingdom | 86 | 87 | 86 | 90 | 94 | 97 | 97 | 100 | 103 | 108 | 115 | 116 | 118 | 125 | 133 |

${ }^{1}$ Based on estimates of gross national product originating in manufacturing, published by the U.S. Department of Commerce, Office of Business Economics.
${ }^{2}$ Not available.
${ }^{3}$ Manufacturing and mining.
changes in unit labor cost. In Japan, Germany, and Italy, sizable wage increases have been accompanied by sizable productivity gains, resulting in relatively stable labor costs. In the United Kingdom and Sweden, productivity gains have not kept pace with wage increases, and unit labor costs have risen appreciably.

But the experience of the United States and Canada stands out in contrast. Percentage increases in productivity and hourly wages have been low in the United States and Canada relative to the other countries; therefore, unit labor cost has remained comparatively stable. Other economic factors have clearly been important in North America; among them are the relatively high rate of unemployment and the already high level of industrial wages compared with other countries.

## Further Research

Further study is needed to develop comparisons of unit labor cost in absolute terms to supplement the trend comparisons presented in this bulletin. Such comparisons must be made industry by industry, and problems of data comparability are great.

Two other research needs deserve mention. First, trend data for individual industries and industry groups need to be prepared, since technological change and the setting of wage patterns, through collective bargaining and other means, take place largely by industry. Research on the comparative performance of
industries heavily involved in foreign trade and of industries not directly affected by trade would be particularly useful in appraising U.S. trade prospects and balance of payments performance, and it would also help in appraising the effect of foreign competition on domestic production.

Second, there are important analytical needs. Careful examination of labor cost and productivity trends in relation to foreign trade should be attempted, and the relationship to employment, prices, and growth might also yield useful results. The relationship to trade would be clearer if data on unit nonlabor (especially material) costs were available; but it must always be kept in mind that reasons other than cost frequently influence the flow of trade. ${ }^{7}$ Furthermore, time series analysis for the decade of the 1950 's must be done with discrimination because of drastic changes in nontariff trade barriers, abnormal market conditions (price controls and rationing) in many countries, and lack of currency convertibility.

## Methods and Sources

Comparability of Data. The reliability of unit labor cost estimates depends, of course, on the comparability and reliability of the basic output and compensation data. The degree of comparability achieved in the present estimates is considered to be high, although not ideal.

[^5]In developing the present estimates, the Bureau of Labor Statistics has tried to achieve a uniform basis of measurement among the countries. ${ }^{8}$ Data used by the Governments in preparing their national economic accounts have been applied, at least in part, to the unit labor cost estimates for each country. Aggregate labor expenditure data for manufacturing, used in preparing national accounts, have been obtained for France, Germany (Federal Republic), Italy, and the United Kingdom, as well as the United States. These calculations offer a more uniform approach to the measurement of unit labor cost than can be achieved through the use of measures such as productivity indexes and hourly labor expenditure indexes, since many of the countries have moved toward standard methodology in preparing their national accounts.

An examination of several algebraic identities may be useful in illustrating the interrelationships among the data used in the calculation of unit labor cost and to point out the assumption implicit when unit labor cost is used as an indicator of price changes.

Let us denote the following:

[^6](2) $Q_{t}=\Sigma_{o p_{o} q_{t}}-\Sigma_{I} p_{o} q_{t}$
(3) $\mathrm{P}_{\mathrm{t}}=\frac{\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{t}}}{Q_{\mathrm{t}}}=\frac{\mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{t}}+\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}}}{Q_{\mathrm{t}}}=\frac{\Sigma_{o p_{t} q_{t}}-\Sigma_{\mathrm{I}} \mathrm{p}_{\mathrm{t}} q_{t}}{\Sigma_{o p_{o} q_{t}}-\Sigma_{\mathrm{I}} \mathrm{p}_{\mathrm{o}} q_{t}}$
(4)


The initial equation states the national accounting equality between the income and the product accounts, and separates the product account between manufacturing gross output and inputs or purchases from other sectors. The income side is not factorable into price and quantity elements. The second equation substitutes base period prices for current prices in the product account. This is calculated by deflating output and purchases separately, the difference being real output originating in manufacturing, in constant value. The third equation shows the calculation of the implicit price deflator, or the price change occurring within the manufacturing sector, using both the product and the income side of the accounts. The last equation presents unit labor cost as a ratio of labor compensation to output and shows the equality of this ratio to the ratio of compensation per man-hour to output per man-hour.

There remain some inadequacies or inconsistencies in the available data. To name a few, manufacturing is not defined in exactly the same way in each country; total labor expenditure may not apply to exactly the same types of labor payment in each country; benchmarks and weighting systems used in measuring production vary widely; the data collection systems that underlie the measures of production, hours, and compensation also vary widely; and the coverage of output and expenditure data may not always match.

Some of these possible differences are not considered significant. There is an internationally accepted definition of manufacturing, ${ }^{9}$ and most countries have adapted their systems to this definition with only slight variation. For

[^7]measurement of all manufacturing trends, the classification of borderline activities as either within or outside of manufacturing has no appreciable effect, provided that a consistent classification is followed. ${ }^{10}$ Likewise, the inclusion or exclusion of certain minor fringe benefits from labor compensation is unlikely to affect cost trends.

Other differences may influence the trends more significantly, particularly the measurement of manufacturing production, which has always been a difficult task. Several countries, including the United States, have made substantial revisions in their production estimates and are expected to make more. Uniform methods of production measurement between countries have not been fully achieved. Also, differences in composition of manufacturing output (the product mix) are embodied in the production indexes. Any comparisons of production would be somewhat different if the product outputs of one country were combined using the value weights of the United States or any other country.

Descriptions of the series used for each country are contained in the following sections. The original source data and index derivations are presented in appendix tables for each country.

The measurement of labor compensation refers only to wage and salary earners, not to the implicit labor earnings of proprietors or unpaid family workers engaged in manufacturing production. In most countries, the number of proprietors engaged in manufacturing is very small in proportion to the paid work force, but in a few cases, notably Italy, Japan, and France, they constitute a significant proportion. Examination of the production data leads to the conclusion, however, that the contribution of proprietors to the measured output is largely excluded. For example, several countries exclude handicrafts from manufacturing production. Also, certain industries that are characterized by small entrepreneurs, such as clothing, printing and publishing, and miscellaneous manufactures, are not included in the production surveys. In addition, several countries survey only those establishments with at least a given number of employees. It is con-
cluded that the omission of proprietors' compensation from the estimates of labor compensation does not significantly alter the trend estimates.

## United States

Output. Two measures of manufacturing output are available for use in calculating unit labor cost in the United States. One series, designated as Series $A$, is the index of manufacturing production published by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (FRB). The other, Series B, is the measure of gross product originating in manufacturing, published by the U.S. Department of Commerce's Office of Business Economics (OBE).
Series B, based on the U.S. national accounts, is preferred for the calculation of unit labor cost, since it is entirely consistent with the compensation data used in the calculations. However, as some of the other countries do not publish data on real gross national product originating in manufacturing, it has been necessary to use quantity indexes or other output measures for them. For methodological comparability with these countries, U.S. data based on Series A have been included as an alternative.

Series B output is defined, from the income side of the national accounts, as the sum of employee compensation, indirect business taxes, capital consumption allowances, and profit-type income. Since these components are not factorable into quantity and unit price, estimates of constant-dollar value added are obtained by deflating output and purchases separately. Current-dollar value added is then divided by the constant-dollar value added to obtain a manufacturing price index. This price index is then used to deflate the current-dollar gross product estimates arrived at through the income method.

The Federal Reserve Board index of manufacturing production (Series A) is computed as a base-weighted arithmetic average. The basic data are indicators of output which are

[^8]developed from quantities of major products shipped, quantities of major materials consumed in production, value of goods shipped with adjustment for price changes, or the number of production-worker man-hours adjusted for changes in productivity. The weights assigned to individual products within an industry are based upon the value of shipments of the products during 1957. The weights assigned to industries ${ }^{11}$ in order to combine them into an index of all manufacturing are based upon 1957 value added at factor cost.

Compensation. All-employee compensation data are those reported in the national accounts. Compensation covers wages and salaries, which include executive compensation, commissions, tips, bonuses, and payments in kind; supplements to wages and salaries, which include employer contributions for social insurance, private pension, health, and welfare funds; compensation for injuries; directors' fees; pay for military reserve duty; and a few other items of minor importance. The compensation data for wage earners are based upon the same source. Wages have been separated from the total wage and salary bill, by the Office of Business Economics, for the 1947-61 period, and this resulting figure has been updated by the Bureau of Labor Statistics through 1964. A division of supplementary labor income between wage and salaried employees is not made in the national accounts data, and it has been necessary to estimate this break. It is estimated that the proportion of supplements to wages alone is the same as the proportion of supplements to total wages and salaries, or, supplementary income as a percent of earnings is the same for both wage and salary earners. It has been necessary to make this

[^9]same assumption for the three other countries (Federal Republic of Germany, Sweden, the United Kingdom) for which both wage-earner and all-employee cost indexes are estimated.

Hours and Employment. The hours data are based on the monthly Bureau of Labor Statistics survey of manufacturing establishments, covering average weekly hours of production workers, plus an estimate of hours of nonproduction employees. The man-hours of production workers include, in addition to hours actually at work, those hours paid for holidays and vacations, and for sick leave when pay was received directly from the firm. The hours of nonproduction employees are based on trends derived from BLS fringe benefit studies and other data.

The employment figures are also obtained from the BLS establishment survey. The data report total employment and productionworker employment separately, excluding proprietors, the self-employed, and unpaid family workers.

## Canada

Output. Information on industrial production in Canada is prepared by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics (DBS). The DBS publishes a quantity index of manufacturing production based on weights from the Canadian 1949 interindustry flow table. ${ }^{12}$ The weights represent gross domestic product valuations for 31 major manufacturing categories and census value added for more detailed product classes. The indexes are constructed from data on net output, where possible; otherwise, they are compiled from data on gross output, deflated value, materials consumed, or man-hours.

Compensation. Labor income is reported in the Canadian national accounts, covering all compensation to Canadian wage earners and salaried employees. It excludes earnings of self-employed individuals or partners. Wages and salaries, including income in kind, are estimated on a gross basis, that is, before tax deductions, contributions to unemployment insurance, etc. Bonuses, commissions, and
retroactive wage increases are included for the year in which they are paid.

Supplementary labor income consists of other expenditures such as employers' contributions to social security, employee welfare funds, unemployment insurance, and workmen's compensation. They are estimated from a special survey of supplementary income.

Hours and Employment. Hours data for wage earners are based on a monthly survey of employment and payrolls for all establishments with 15 employees or more. The statistics represent hours paid for, including overtime hours actually worked. The estimated hours for salaried employees are based on an assumed 40 -hour workweek during each year.

Employment data have been estimated on the basis of the monthly establishment survey and the annual census of manufactures. The establishment survey gives a consistent series of indexes of employment for the entire 1950-64 period, while the census of manufactures shows the actual number of employees for the postwar years. The census of manufactures data reflect revisions in the Standard Industrial Classification and implementation of a new definition for the reporting unit-the establishment.

The two series have been combined by setting the index of employment equal to the census employment in 1949 and deriving a consistent series of actual numbers of persons employed. The figures for the derived series closely parallel the results from the census data except for the 1960-64 period, where the major adjustments have occurred. The census data also contain a breakdown of employment between wage and salary earners. These figures have been extrapolated to form consistent separate wage and salary employment figures.

## France

Output. French output data show constant-value gross domestic product in manufacturing at 1959 market prices. Conceptually, the data are similar to those in the United States and other countries employing a national accounts-
based output series. A variety of sources are used to value production and intermediate consumption by industry, the main sources being industry data on the value of quantities produced and value of deliveries by branch of activity and purchaser; fiscal statistics, which provide estimates of the turnover of enterprises; information on prices and costs from public administrative agencies; and technical studies prepared by the Institut National de la Statistique et des Études Économiques (INSEE). The results are then reconciled with the estimates of final expenditure within the framework of an input-output table to obtain a consistent measure of constant-value gross product by industry.

Compensation. Labor compensation is estimated from administrative statistics arising from the 5-percent payroll tax which each French employer is required to pay annually to the Government. The INSEE annually calculates and publishes data based upon a structured sample of the tax declarations. Compensation comprises gross wages and salaries, including contributions to social insurance and pensions, and payments in kind to all employees who have worked in the enterprise during the year.

The data for 1953 are estimates, because the published data for that year excluded compensation of employees in the Paris area. A linear interpolation has been used for the estimate, since 1953 compensation in the areas outside Paris fell at about the midpoint between the 1952 and 1954 figures.

Hours and Employment. Average hours actually worked by wage-and-salary earners in manufacturing are reported by the INSEE and refer to the last full workweek in each quarter. The data are based on hours worked by employees in all establishments having 50 employees or more and about one-half of the establishments with 10 to 50 employees.

The employment series is developed from INSEE studies on compensation, based on data arising from the 5 -percent payroll tax. Two series are presented, neither of which is adequate in itself: (1) actual yearend employment and (2) the number of employees who worked
in the industry during any part of the year. A relationship between the two series, the "employment stability coefficient," shows the ratio of the yearend employment to the total employees who worked during the year. The average for manufacturing industry from 1951 to 1963 was about 65 percent. The series has been developed, therefore, by assuming that the annual average employment is 65 percent of the total number employed at any time during the year. The series based on a 65 -percent employment stability coefficient coincides closely with other employment estimates; while remaining consistent with the aggregate data on output and compensation.

## Federal Republic of Germany ${ }^{13}$

Output. German manufacturing production data show constant-value gross product at 1958 market prices. The definition is comparable to that of the United States and other countries using a national accounts output series. The gross output data are obtained from administrative statistics arising from turnover taxes, supplemented by data from investigations of cost structures. The turnover tax data are available each year, but cost structure information is obtained at intervals of several years only. A number of corrections are made in the estimates of gross output to arrive at figures on manufacturing gross product; these include a correction for changes in stocks, using corporate balance sheets and special surveys. In addition to the gross output data, inputs from outside the manufacturing sector and information on indirect business taxes and depreciation are needed. A detailed survey of inputs, depreciation, and indirect taxes was made in 1950, and the ratios obtained from this survey have been supplied to subsequent years. Additional data obtained for 1954 and 1958 have been used to check and revise these ratios.

Compensation. Data on wages and salaries in manufacturing are prepared and published annually by the Federal Statistical Office. All establishments with 10 employees or more are surveyed, covering about 98 percent of manufacturing industry. Provisions in the wage bill
and the salary bill include, in addition to direct earnings, pay for time not worked and bonuses, but exclude employers' obligatory contributions for social insurance. Data on employers' contributions to social security for the entire economy, however, are published. The relationship of employer social insurance contributions to the total economy wage-and-salary bill has been calculated, and this proportion applied to manufacturing industry. There are two reasons why any error from this procedure should be small: First, the wage-and-salary bill in manufacturing is a substantial portion of the bill for the total economy; and second, the ratio of employers' social security contributions to wages and salaries over the 1950-64 period has shown an increase only from 10.7 percent in 1950 to 11.7 percent in 1964 (appendix table 4-A). The wage-earner total compensation bill has been calculated by using this same percentage and applying it to the wage bill.

Hours and Employment. The hours data for wage earners, including apprentices, are prepared by the Federal Statistical Office and refer to hours actually worked. The data are obtained from the same survey that provided the cost and employment information used here in the calculation of unit labor cost. Hours data for salaried employees have been estimated by assuming a straight 40-hour workweek during the entire period.

Employment information covers all wage and salary earners, including apprentices. The data exclude homeworkers, but the omission should be of minor significance since 98 percent of all employees in industry are covered by the survey. Employment statistics showing data separately for wage earners and all other employees are also published by the Federal Statistical Office.

## Italy

Output. Data on Italian manufacturing output refer to constant-value gross domestic product at factor cost, taken from national accounts data published by the Istituto Centrale di Statis-

[^10]tica (ISTAT). The data are based mainly on a special survey of value added in large and me-dium-size enterprises; they also include estimates for smaller enterprises and handicraft activities. The output data are expressed in 1958 lire. Adjustments are made by the ISTAT to include subsidies and exclude banking, insurance, and government services. Annual output estimates at constant prices are obtained by relating base-year prices or value to quantity indexes for each industry and weighting them according to value added in the base period.

Compensation, Hours, and Employment. Compensation refers to total remuneration of wage earners, including overtime, cost-of-living allowances, bonuses, premiums for nightwork, payments for holidays and vacations, family allowances, and payments in kind. Employer contributions for social insurance are not reported. The data are obtained from payrolls of establishments included in a monthly survey conducted by the Ministry of Labor. Establishments are surveyed which employ 10 wage earners or more in 27 branches of manufacturing, and all establishments are surveyed in 13 branches. In 1962, approximately $2,051,000$ workers were covered.

Information on hours and employment of wage earners, including apprentices, is obtained from the same establishments that submit payroll data. The hours data refer to hours actually worked, including overtime.

## Japan

Output. Data on constant-value gross product in manufacturing are not yet available for Japan. Therefore, a quantity index, published by the Bureau of Statistics, Office of the Prime Minister, has been used as a measure of output in manufacturing. The index has been periodically revised to incorporate later benchmarks. The 1950-52 data are based on 1950 weights, the 1953-57 on 1955 weights, and the 1958-64 on 1960 weights. Industry data are weighted by either value added at factor cost or gross value of output during the benchmark year. Value added has been derived from the census
of manufactures for privately owned establishments with four or more employees. Weights for publicly owned establishments and for establishments having fewer than four employees are estimated from gross value in the base year. Data on the quantity of output, prepared for 332 commodities, relate to about 62 percent of value added in 1960. These commodities are then combined in major industry groups and then into all manufacturing.

Compensation. Wages and salaries include bonuses, overtime allowances, and payments in kind, in addition to contract earnings. The Bureau of Statistics makes estimates of wages and salaries by multiplying the number of employees in each industry by the average wage or salary per employee. The number of employees is obtained from the latest census of population and is extrapolated for later years using the results of the monthly labor force survey conducted by the Ministry of Labor. The data on average wages or salaries per employee are obtained mainly from the Ministry of Labor's monthly wage survey, a sample survey in two parts, one covering workers in establishments with 30 employees or more, and the other covering those with 5 to 29 . Other wage information is available from reports compiled by the Tax Administration Agency, the National Personnel Authority, and the Ministry of Home Affairs.

Other labor income, consisting of compensation for company directors, employers' contributions to social insurance, allowances for members of central and local legislative bodies, and tips, are excluded from the compensation figures. It appears, on the basis of a few Ministry of Labor estimates, that the proportion of social insurance expenditures to direct wage and salary expenditures has changed very little during 1950-64.

Hours and Employment. Employment data are published with the national accounts data on compensation of employees. They refer to wage and salary earners, exclusive of executive directors.

Hours data refer to actual hours worked by all wage and salary earners in establishments
with 30 regular employees or more and are obtained from the monthly labor survey. Temporary employees who have worked less than 18 days in the last 2 months, or less than 60 days in the last 6 months, are omitted. Examination of limited data on establishments with 5 to 29 employees shows that the omission of this group does not significantly alter the trends shown.

## Netherlands

Output. The data on output refer to a quantity index of production prepared by the Central Bureau of Statistics and based on value-added weights in 1949. Constant-value gross product is not available for the manufacturing sector separately. The output in manufacturing is the aggregate of 481 individual series which are based, in most cases, on the quantity of individual commodities produced. Where measures of this type are unavailable, the quantity of individual raw materials consumed or the number of man-hours worked are utilized.

Compensation. Compensation refers to gross compensation prior to deductions for wage taxes and social security. In addition to wages and salaries, compensation includes tips, commissions, and all supplementary monetary benefits paid to employees, the monetary value of payments in kind (such as free rent or free food), and employers' normal payments to social insurance institutions and pension funds. Extra contributions to pension funds paid by employers out of profits and Government contributions to social security premiums are excluded. Salaries of company officials are included, but not income from ownership of shares in enterprises. Imputed wages or salaries of selfemployed persons are excluded, and household members working in an enterprise owned by the head of a household are not regarded as employees unless a labor contract is expressly concluded.

Hours and Employment. Dutch employment and hours data are prepared by the Central Bureau of Statistics. The employment data refer to man-years of work, and are consistent
with the national accounts data on compensation. The term "man-year" refers to 300 mandays of work during the year, irrespective of the length of the workday. Two persons working 150 days each thus count as 1 man-year. No data are available from the source to distinguish between wage and salary earners.

Data on hours of work refer to wage earners and are obtained from a sample survey of major industrial establishments. The hours worked figures relate only to full-week workers and include overtime hours, paid "short absences" from work, and vacations. The data prior to 1964 included hours worked by apprentices and paid hours for traveltime between home and work. Under a revision of the hours worked concept introduced in 1964, apprentice hours and traveltime are no longer included.

The hours and employment data are prepared from data obtained in separate surveys, and thus may not be consistent with each other. Although data on salary earners' hours are not separately reported, it has been estimated that working hours are about the same for wage earners and salary earners in the Netherlands.

## Sweden

Output. National accounts data on gross output in manufacturing are not published for Sweden. Instead, a base-weighted quantity index of combined mining and manufacturing output, prepared by the Central Bureau of Statistics, has been used as the measure of output. The indexes relate to all establishments with five or more employees (including working proprietors), and represent almost 100 percent of total mining and manufacturing output. The weights used are based on census value added in 1935. The final annual figures are computed from the results of annual industrial censuses. Indexes for postcensus years are averages of adjusted monthly indexes based on value-added weights in 1947.

Compensation. Most data on wages and salaries in Sweden refer to establishments with five or more employees. In addition to base
pay, the data include pay for time not worked, overtime, family allowances, bonuses, and payments in kind.

Supplementary benefits, except those included in the wage-and-salary bill, are not available separately for the manufacturing sector. Contributions by all employers for social insurance amounted to about 7 percent of wages and salaries in 1964, a ratio that has gradually risen since the mid-1950's. If a corresponding rise in social insurance cost has occurred in mining/manufacturing, the trend in unit labor cost shown for Sweden is slightly understated.

Hours and Employment. Data on Swedish employment refer to wage and salary earners and unpaid family workers, and are obtained from the same source as the compensation data; i.e., direct returns from manufacturing establishments to the Swedish Central Bureau of Statistics.

Hours data for wage earners are also obtained from the manufacturing establishment returns and refer to paid hours. Since information for nonwage earners (salary earners and unpaid family workers) are not available, it has been necessary to assume that they work a constant 40-hour workweek.

## United Kingdom

Output. The principal measure of manufacturing output in the United Kingdom is an index of physical production prepared by the Central Statistical Office. The weights used are proportionate to value added in 1958. About fivesixths of the individual product indicators are based on quantity data, and the remainder are based on raw materials consumed or labor data. The index is used in preparing estimates of the constant-value gross domestic product for the U.K. national accounts.

Compensation. The estimated wage-and-salary bill includes cash earnings before deductions for income tax or insurance contributions, plus income in kind and directors' fees, less expenses of employment recognized for tax allow-
ances. These estimates are based on tax returns reported by the Inland Revenue Department, which provides separate data on total wages and salaries in the manufacturing sector. The distinction between wages and salaries is based on the 1958 Census of Production and Distribution, which also provides the data to estimate wages and salaries by industry. The estimates for 1959-64 are based upon changes in the number of employees and in wages and salaries, as reported in the Ministry of Labour's semiannual survey of wages and annual survey of salaries.

Employer contributions are the sum of payments to national insurance; the data are obtained from National Insurance and Industrial Injuries Funds and private welfare plans. The data on private welfare plans are obtained from the Inland Revenue Department and the annual report of the Life Offices Association.

Hours and Employment. Manufacturing employment data are published by the Central Statistical Office in the National Income Blue Book and are separately reported for wage earners and salary earners. The data are not entirely comparable with the compensation data, since the estimates of employment exclude directors paid by fee only, whereas the compensation data include directors' fees. The basic data for estimating the number of employees are obtained from the annual census of production.

Hours of work for wage earners refer to actual hours of work, including overtime, reported by the Ministry of Labour. The data exclude all time lost from any cause, but include those hours not worked for which a guaranteed wage is payable. The data refer only to male adults, however, including apprentices and working foremen. This group represented $3,155,000 \mathrm{em}-$ ployees in 1962, or about one-half of those employed in manufacturing. The data are obtained from payrolls of all establishments with 10 employees or more and some smaller establishments.

Hours for salary earners have been estimated by assuming a straight 40 -hour workweek for such employees.

Appendix Table 1a. UNited States. Basic Data on Production, Labor Compensation,
Employment, and Hours of Work in Manufacturing, 1950-64

| Year | Index of manufacturing production, Series A ( $1957-59=100$ ) | Gross product originating in manufacturing, Series B |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Implicit price } \\ \text { deflator for } \\ \text { manufacturing } \\ (1954=100) \end{gathered}$ | Aggregate wages and salaries (billions of dollars) | Aggregate supplements, all employees (billions of dollars) | Ratio of supplements to wages and salaries | Aggregate wages <br> (billions of dollars) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Current value (billions of dollars) | Constant value (billions of 1954 dollars) |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | (6) | (7) | (8) |
| 1950 | 75.8 | 81.9 | 92.6 | 88.4 | 49.393 | 3.142 | 6.36 | 36.783 |
| 1951 | 81.9 | 97.4 | 102.0 | 95.5 | 58.297 | 4.141 | 7.11 | 43.233 |
| 1952 | 85.2 92.7 | 101.5 110.5 | 105.0 111.9 | 96.7 98.7 | 62.960 69.881 | 4.431 4.928 | 7.04 | 45.952 50.904 |
| 1954 | 86.3 | 103.8 | 103.8 | 100.0 | 66.077 | 5.012 | 7.59 | 46.458 |
| 1955 | 97.3 | 118.7 | 116.7 | 101.7 | 72.252 | 5.727 | 7.93 | 51.011 |
| 1956 | 100.2 | 123.3 | 116.4 | 105.9 | 77.706 | 6.379 | 8.21 | 53.972 |
| 1957.- | 100.8 93.2 | 129.1 120.9 | ${ }_{109.7}^{117}$ | 109.6 110.2 | 80.644 76.701 | 7.209 7.025 | 8.94 9.16 | 55.187 51.046 |
| 1959 | 106.0 | 137.0 | 121.8 | 112.5 | 84.720 | 8.193 | 9.67 | 56.298 |
| 1960 | 108.9 | 139.7 | 122.0 | 114.5 | 87.411 | 8.892 | 10.17 | 57.444 |
| 1961 | 1109.6 | 139.9 | 122.0 | 114.7 | 87.469 | 9.094 | 10.40 | 56.304 60884 |
| 1962 | 118.7 124.9 | 153.5 160.4 | 134.1 138.5 | 114.5 115.8 | 94.174 98.042 | 10.211 10.930 | 10.84 11.14 | 60.884 63.554 |
| 1964 | 133.1 | (i) | (i) | (1) | 102.999 | 11.8 | 11.46 | 67.050 |
| Year | Aggregate supplements for production workers (billions of dollars) | Aggregate compensation |  | Employment |  | Average weekly hours of work, production workers | Aggregate annual hours of work |  |
|  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { All employees } \\ & \text { (billions of } \\ & \text { dollars) } \end{aligned}$ | Production workers (billions of dollars) | All employees (thousands) | Production workers (thousands) |  | $\underset{\text { (millions) }}{\text { All employees }}$ | Production workers (millions) |
|  | (9) | (10) | (11) | (12) | (13) | (14) | (15) | (16) |
| 1950 | 2,339 | 52.535 | 39.122 | 15,241 | 12,523 | 40.5 | 32,069 | 26,373 |
| 1951 | 3,074 $\mathbf{3 , 2 3 5}$ | 62.418 67.391 | 46.307 49.187 | 16,393 16,632 | 13,368 13,359 | 40.6 40.7 | 34,546 35,115 | 28,223 28,273 |
| 1953 | 3,589 | 74.809 | 54.493 | 17,549 | 14,055 | 40.5 | 36,904 | 29,600 |
| 1954 | 3,526 | 71.089 | 49.984 | 16,314 | 12,817 | 39.6 | 33,685 | 26,393 |
| 1955. | 4,045 | 77.979 | 55.056 | 16,882 | 13,288 | 40.7 | 35,617 | 28,123 |
| 1956 | 4.431 | 84.085 | 58.403 | 17,243 | 13,436 | 40.4 | 36,165 | 28,226 |
| 1957. | 4,934 4,676 | 87.853 83.726 | 60.121 55.722 | 17,174 15.945 | 13,189 11,997 | 39.8 39.2 | 35,605 | 27,296 24,455 |
| 1959 | 5,444 | 92.913 | 61.742 | 16,675 | 12,603 | 40.3 | 34,837 | 26,346 |
| 1960 | 5,842 | 96.303 | 63.286 | 16,796 | 12,586 | 39.7 | 34,717 | 25,983 |
| 1961 | 5,856 | 96.563 | 62.160 | 16,326 | 12,083 | 39.8 | 33,768 | 25,011 |
| 1962 | 6,600 7,080 | 104.385 108.972 | 67.484 70.633 | 16,853 16,995 | 12,488 12,555 | 40.4 40.5 | 35,178 35,538 | 26,235 26,441 |
| 1964 | 7,684 | 114.8 | 74.734 | 17,259 | 12,769 | 40.7 | 36,223 | 27,024 |

${ }^{1}$ Not available.
of rounding, sums of components may not equal totals.
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employees, the trend is derived from BLS fringe benefit
studies and other data.


[^11]Appendix Table 2A. Canada. Basic Data on Production, labor Compensation,
Employment, and Hours of Work in Manufacturing, 1950-64

| Year | $\begin{gathered} \text { Index of } \\ \text { production } \\ (1949=100) \end{gathered}$ | Current-value gross product originating in manufacturing (millions of Canadian dollars) | Aggregate compensation of all employees (millions of Canadiandollars) | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Index of } \\ & \text { employment } \\ & (1949=100) \end{aligned}$ | Employment |  | Estimated employment |  | Average weekly hours of production workers | $\begin{gathered} \text { Estimated } \\ \text { aggreegate } \\ \text { annual hours } \\ \text { of work } \\ \text { (millions) } \end{gathered}$ | Exchange rate (Canadian dollars per U.S. dollar) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  | $\underset{\text { All }}{\text { employees }}$ | Production workers | $\begin{gathered} \text { All } \\ \text { employees } \\ \text { (thousands) } \end{gathered}$ | Production workers (thousands) |  |  |  |
|  | (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | (6) | (7) | (8) | (9) | (10) | (11) |
| 1950-- | 106.2 | 4,714 | 2,881 | 101.4 | 1,183,297 | 952,244 | 1,188 | 956 | 42.3 | 2,585 | 1.0889 |
| 1951 | 115.0 | 5,474 | 8,396 | 108.1 | 1,258,875 | 1,010,588 | 1,266 | 1,017 | 41.7 | ${ }_{2}^{2,723}$ | 1.0580 |
| 1952 | 118.5 | 6,150 6,453 | 3,772 4,100 | 109.9 113.0 | 1,288,382 | 1,025,355 | 1,287 | 1,024 | 41.5 41.3 | 2,757 2,824 | . 98849 |
| 1958 | 126.4 122.9 | 6,453 6,291 | 4,100 4,053 | 118.0 107.3 | 1,327,451 | $1,053,226$ 989,030 | 1,323 | 1,050 $\mathbf{9 8 0}$ | 41,3 40.7 | 2,824 2,650 | . 98429 |
| 1955 | 134.7 | 6,779 | 4,299 | 109.8 | 1,298,461 | 1,010,992 | 1,286 | 1,001 | 41.0 | 2,727 | . 9865 |
| 1956 | 145.1 |  | 4,766 | 115.8 | 1,353,020 | 1,051,723 | 1,356 | 1,054 | 41.0 | 2,876 | . 9829 |
| 1957 | 142.9 | 7,904 | 5,034 | 115.8 | 1,359,061 | 1,045,177 | 1,356 | 1,043 | 40.4 | ${ }_{2}^{2,842}$ | . 97959 |
| 1958. | 140.7 149.8 | 7,753 | 5,029 5,302 | 109.8 111.1 | $1,289,602$ $1,303,956$ | -981,735 | 1,286 1,301 | 979 996 | 40.2 40.7 | $\mathbf{2 , 6 8 5}$ $\mathbf{2 , 7 4}$ | . 972810 |
| 1960 | 149.3 | 8,427 | 5,474 | 109.5 | 1,275,476 | 971,610 | 1,282 | 977 | 40.4 | 2,688 | . 9694 |
| 1961 | 153.0 | 8,501 | 5,533 | 108.9 | $\left\{\begin{array}{l}1,264,946 \\ 1,368,225\end{array}\right.$ | 969,276 951,835 | 1,275 | 977 | 40.6 | 2,683 | 1.0129 |
| 1962 | 164.9 | 9,320 | 5,935 | 113.3 | 1,404,566 | 985,869 | 1,327 | 1,025 | 40.7 | 2,797 | 1.0698 |
| 1963. | 173.9 188.9 | 9,866 10,857 | 6,286 $\mathbf{6 , 8 2 9}$ | 116.4 121.9 | ${ }^{(1)}$ | (1) | 1,363 1,428 | 1,050 $\mathbf{1 , 0 9 9}$ | 40.8 41.0 | $\mathbf{2 , 8 7 9}$ | 1.0784 1.0777 |

${ }^{1}$ Not available.

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 Expenditure. -DBS: Data from annual census of manufactures published in Canada Yearbook; 1950-59 data are consistent, 1960-61 are consistent, but because of changes in Standard Indus
trial Classification definition and other definitions, there is

Col. $\qquad$ Estimated, using 1949 data from the annual census of manu-


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| Year | $\begin{gathered} \text { Index of } \\ \text { manufacturing } \\ \text { production } \end{gathered}$ | Index of aggregate compensation | Index of aggregate annual hours of work | Index of exchange rate (Canadian dollars per U.S. dollar) | Index of unit labor cost |  | Index of output per man-hour | Average compensation of all employees per man-hour |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  | Canadian dollar basis | U.S. dollar basis |  | In Canadian dollars | Index |
|  | (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | (6) | (7) | (8) | (9) |
| 1950 | 74.3 | 57.2 | 90.9 | 113.5 | 77.0 | 67.8 | 81.7 | 1.11 | 63.0 |
| 1951 | 80.5 | 67.5 74.9 | 95.8 97.0 | 109.7 | 83.9 90.3 | 76.4 88.4 | 84.0 85.5 | 1.27 | 70.4 |
| 1953 | 88.5 | 81.4 | 99.3 | 102.6 | 92.0 | 89.6 | 89.1 | 1.45 | 82.0 |
| 1954 | 86.0 | 80.5 | 93.2 | 101.4 | 93.6 | 92.3 | 92.3 | 1.53 | 86.4 |
| 1955 | 94.3 | 85.4 | 95.9 | 102.8 | 90.6 | 88.1 | 98.3 | 1.58 | ${ }_{93} 8.0$ |
| 1956 | 101.5 | 94.7 100.0 | 101.2 100.0 | 102.4 100.0 | 93.3 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.3 | 1.66 1.77 | 93.6 100.0 |
| 1958 | 198.5 | 109.9 | 194.5 | 101.4 | 101.4 | 100.0 | 104.3 | 1.87 | 105.8 |
| 1959 | 104.8 | 105.3 | 96.5 | 100.2 | 100.5 | 100.3 | 108.6 | 1.93 | 109.1 |
| 1960 | 104.5 | 108.7 | 94.6 | 101.0 | 104.0 | 103.0 | 110.5 | 2.04 | 115.0 |
| 1961.- | 107.1 115.4 | 109.9 117.8 | 94.4 98.4 | 105.6 111.5 | 102.6 | 97.2 91.6 | 113.5 | ${ }_{2.12}^{2.06}$ | 119.8 |
| 1963 | 121.7 | 124.9 135.7 | 101.3 | 112.4 | 102.6 102.7 | 91.3 | 120.2 | ${ }_{2}^{2.18}$ | 123.3 |
| 1964. | 132.2 | 135.7 | 106.5 | 112.3 | 102.7 | 91.4 | 124.2 | 2.26 | 127.4 |

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- Indexes of respective series appearing in appendix table 2A. Col. 5
Col. 6 $\qquad$ Col. $2 \div$ col. 1.

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Appendix Table 2C. CanADA. Revised Indexes of Production, Unit Labor Cost, and Output per Man-hour in Manufacturing, 1950-64

| Year | Index of manufacturing production |  | Index of unit labor cost |  | Index of output per man-hour ( $1957=100$ ) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $1949=100$ | $1957=100$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Canadian } \\ & \text { dollar basis } \\ & (1957=100) \end{aligned}$ | United States dollar basis ( $1957=100$ ) |  |
|  | (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) |
| 1950 | 106.7 | 70.7 | 80.9 | 71.3 | 77.8 |
| 1951-- | ${ }_{120.9}$ | 76.8 79.7 | 87.9 94.0 |  | 80.2 82.2 |
| 1953 | 128.9 | 85.4 | 95.3 | 92.9 | 86.0 |
| 1954 | 126.0 | 83.5 | 96.4 | 95.1 | 89.6 |
| 1955 | 138.3 | 91.7 | 93.1 | 90.6 | 95.6 |
| 1956 | 151.2 | 100.2 100.0 | 94.5 100.0 | 92.3 100.0 | 100.0 |
|  | 150.9 | 100.0 98.1 | 100.0 | 100.4 | 103.8 |
| 1959 | 159.0 | 105.4 | 99.9 | 99.7 | 109.2 |
| 1960 | 161.2 | 106.8 | 101.8 | 100.8 | 112.9 |
| 1961 -- | 166.9 181.2 | 110.6 120.1 | 99.4 98.1 | 94.1 88.0 | 117.2 122.1 |
| 1963.- | 193.9 | 128.5 | 97.2 | 86.5 | 126.9 |
| 1964- | 211.9 | 140.4 | 96.7 | 86.1 | 131.8 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |

Appendix Table 3A. France. Basic Data on Production, Labor Compensation, Employment,
and Hours of Work in Manufacturing, 1950-64

| Year | Gross product originating in manufacturing |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Implicit price } \\ \text { deflator for } \\ \text { manuacturing } \\ (1958=100) \end{gathered}$ | Aggregate compensation of all employees (millions of new francs) | All employees (thousands) |  |  | Average weekly hours of work | Aggregate annual hours of work (millions) | Exchange rate (new francs per U.S. dollar) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Current value (billions of new francs) | Constant value (billions of 1958 new francs) |  |  | Engaged during any part of year | $\begin{gathered} \text { As of } \\ \text { December } 31 \end{gathered}$ | Adjusted |  |  |  |
|  | (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | (6) | (7) | (8) | (9) | (10) |
| 1950 | 38.61 | 59.05 | 65.4 | 10,559.71 | ${ }^{(1)}$ | (1) | ${ }^{2} 4,787.7$ | 44.5 | 11,078.7 | 350 |
| 1951 | 49.43 | 64.63 | 76.5 | 15,378.81 | 7,603.4 | 5,015.1 | 4,942.2 | 44.8 | 11,510.4 | 350 |
| 1952 | 55.22 | ${ }_{65.74} 6$ | 84.0 | 17,937.00 | 7,684.7 | 4,959.0 | 4,995.1 | 44.2 | 11,480.7 | 350 |
| 1954 | 58.93 | 70.67 | 83.3 | 20,736.27 | 7,937.9 | 5,187.2 | 5,159.6 | 44.6 | 11,966.1 | 350 |
| 1955 | 62.26 | 74.66 | 83.4 | 23,317.16 | 8,245.1 | 5,318.7 | 5,359.3 | 44.7 | 12,457.2 | 350 |
| 1956 | 70.88 | 81.98 | 86.5 | 27,040.91 | $8,778.7$ | 5,591.9 | $5,706.2$ | 45.4 | 13,471.2 | 350 |
| 1957 | 79.08 | 86.76 | 91.1 | 31,026.49 | 9,120.4 | 5,845.9 | 5,916.6 | 45.7 | 14,060.2 | 377 |
| 1958 | 92.21 | 92.21 | 100.0 | ${ }^{36,149.65}$ | $8,847.2$ | $5,790.9$ | $5,750.7$ | 45.1 | 13,486.5 | 457 |
| 1959 | 99.71 | -94.24 | 105.8 | 37,640.72 | $8,588.8$ | 6, 9015.5 | $5,582.7$ | 44.9 | 13,034.5 | 490 |
| 1960 | 110.95 | 102.20 | 108.6 | 42,051.00 | 8,817.3 | 5,906.8 | 5,731.2 | ${ }_{45}^{45.5}$ | 13,560.0 | 490 |
| 1961 | 119.66 131.205 | 107.47 114.46 | 111.3 114.6 | $47,109.03$ $53,700.80$ | $\mathbf{9 , 5 0 6 . 4}$ $\mathbf{9 , 8 4 2 . 5}$ | $6,082.4$ $6,500.1$ | $6,099.1$ $6,397.6$ | 45.7 45.8 | $14,493.9$ $15,236.5$ | 490 490 |
| 1963 | 144.365 | 121,10 | 119.2 | 60,393.20 | 10,059.4 | 6,664.7 | 6,538.6 | 45.9 | 15,606.3 | 490 |
| 1964 | 157.040 | 128.16 | 122.5 | 67,767.40 | 10,422.6 | 6,864.5 | 6,774.7 | 45.7 | 16,099.4 | 490 |
| ${ }^{1}$ Not available. <br> ${ }^{2}$ Estimate. |  |  |  |  | Col. 7 $\qquad$ Estimate based on 65 percent of col. 5. <br> Col. 8 $\qquad$ INSEE data published monthly in the Bulletin Mensuel de <br> Col. 9 $\qquad$ Statistique. Col. $7 \times$ col. $8 \times 52$. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Cols. 1, 2 $\qquad$ Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development (OCED) National Accounts Statistics. Country submittal |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Col. 3 $\qquad$ Col. $1 \div$ col. 2 .$\qquad$ Institute National de la Statistique et des Etudes Economiques (INSEE) annual study based on 5 -percent earnings tax, formerly published in Etudes Statistiques and now published in Etudes et Conjoncture. |  |  |  |  | Col. 10 $\qquad$ Official exchange rates, except for 1957 and 1958, where the average monthly domestic mean exchange rate has been used due to changes in the official value during the year. |  |  |  |  |  |
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Appendix Table 3B. FRANCE. Indexes of Unit Labor Cost, Output per Man-hour, and Average
Hourly Compensation in Manufacturing, 1950-64
$[1957=100]$

| Year | Index of constantvalue gross product in manufacturing | Index of aggregate compensation of all employees | Index of aggregate annual hours of work | Index ofexchange rate(new francs perU.S. dollar) | Index of unit labor cost |  | Index of output per man-hour | Average compensation of all employees per man-hour |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  | Franc basis | $\underset{\text { basis }}{\text { U.S. dollar }}$ |  | In new francs | Index |
|  | (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | (6) | (7) | (8) | (9) |
| 1950 | 68.1 | 34.0 | 78.8 | 92.8 | 49.9 | 53.8 | 86.4 | . 953 | 43.2 |
| 1951 | 74.5 75.8 | 50.0 57.8 | 81.9 81.7 | 92.8 92.8 | 67.1 76.3 | 72.3 82.2 | 91.0 92.8 | 1.336 1.562 | 60.5 70.8 |
| 1953 | 77.9 | 62.3 | 83.4 | 92.8 | 80.0 | 86.2 | 93.4 | 1.649 | 74.7 |
| 1954 | 81.5 | 66.6 | 85.1 | 92.8 | 81.7 | 87.8 | 95.8 | 1.733 | 78.5 |
| 1955 | 86.1 | 75.2 87 | ${ }_{95}^{88.6}$ | 92.8 | 87.3 98.3 | ${ }_{99} 9.1$ | 97.2 98.6 | ${ }_{2.007}^{1.872}$ | 84.8 90.9 |
| 1956 | 94.5 100.0 | 87.2 100.0 | 95.8 100.0 | 92.8 100.0 | 92.3 100.0 | 99.5 100.0 | 98.6 100.0 | 2.007 | 90.9 100.0 |
| 1958 | 106.3 | 116.5 | 95.9 | 121.2 | 109.6 | 90.4 | 110.8 | 2.680 | 121.4 |
| 1959 | 108.6 | 121.3 | 92.7 | 130.0 | 111.7 | 85.9 | 117.1 | 2.888 | 130.9 |
| 1960 | 117.8 | 135.5 | 96.4 103.1 | 130.0 130.0 | ${ }_{122.5}^{115.0}$ | 88.5 94.2 | 122.1 | 3.101 3.250 | 140.5 147.3 |
| 1962 | 131.9 | 171.8 | 108.4 | 130.0 | 131.2 | 100.9 | 121.7 | 3.524 | 159.7 |
| 1963 | 139.6 | 194.7 | 111.0 | 130.0 | 139.5 | 107.3 | 125.8 | 3.870 | 175.4 |
| 1964 | 147.7 | 218.4 | 114.5 | 130.0 | 147.9 | 113.8 | 129.0 | 4.209 | 190.7 |

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Appendix Table 4B. GERMANY (F.R.). Indexes of Unit Labor Cost, Output per Man-hour, and Average Hourly Compensation in Manufacturing, 1950-64

| Year | Index of constant-value gross product in manufacturing | Index of aggregate compensation |  | Index of aggregate hours of work |  | Index of exchange rate (DM per U.S dollar) | Index of unit labor cost |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | DM basis |  |
|  |  | All employees | Wage earners |  |  | All employees | Wage earners | All employees | Wage earners |
|  | (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) |  | (6) | (7) | (8) |
| 1950 | 46.6 | 39.9 | 41.1 | 68.7 | 70.7 | 100.0 | 85.6 | 88.2 |
| 1952 | 53.4 60.7 | 51.1 56.7 | 52.9 58.0 | 76.6 79.3 | 78.8 81.1 | 100.0 100.0 | 95.7 93.4 | ${ }_{95}^{99.6}$ |
| 1953 | 67.5 | 62.0 | 62.9 | 89.0 | 84.2 | 100.0 | 91.9 | 93.2 |
| 1954 | 75.0 | 68.3 | 69.3 | 88.2 | 90.0 | 100.0 | 91.1 | 92.4 |
| 1955 | 87.4 | 79.8 | 81.0 | 97.2 | 98.6 | 100.0 | 91.3 | 92.7 |
| 1956.- | 93.9 100.0 | 91.7 100.0 | 92.6 100.0 | 101.2 100.0 | 102.6 100.0 | 100.0 100.0 | 97.6 100.0 | 98.6 100.0 |
| 1958.- | 104.1 | 108.1 | 106.7 | 99.4 | 98.3 | 100.0 | 103.8 | 102.5 |
| 1959 | 113.2 | 115.9 | 113.5 | 100.4 | 98.1 | 100.0 | 102.4 | 100.3 |
| 1960 | 135.6 144.8 | 142.6 161.5 | 139.2 | ${ }_{112} 11.8$ | 108.1 | 100.0 96.4 | 105.2 | 102.7 |
| 1962. | 144.8 <br> 151.4 <br> 1 | 161.5 180.0 | 156.1 168.2 | 112.8 | 108.5 | 96.4 95.2 | 118.9 | 111.1 |
| 1963 | 155.4 | 191.3 | 180.8 | 110.1 | 102.7 | 95.2 | 123.1 | 116.3 |
| 1964 | 171.4 | 210.7 | 198.7 | 111.3 | 103.3 | 95.2 | 122.9 | 115.9 |
| Year | Index of unit labor cost-Con. |  | Index of output per man-hour |  | Average compensation per man-hour |  |  |  |
|  | U.S. dollar basis |  |  |  | All employees |  | Wage earners |  |
|  | All employees | Wage earners | All employees | Wage earners | In DM | Index | In DM | Index |
|  | (9) | (10) | (11) | (12) | (13) | (14) | (15) | (16) |
| 1950 | 85.6 | 88.2 | ${ }_{69}^{67} 8$ | 65.9 | 1.51 | 58.1 | ${ }_{1}^{1.36}$ | 58.1 |
| 1951 | 95.7 93.4 | 99.1 95.6 | 69.7 76.5 | 67.8 74.8 | 1.73 1.86 | 66.5 71.5 | 1.67 | 71.4 |
| 1953 | 91.9 | 93.2 | 81.3 | 80.2 | 1.94 | 74.6 | 1.74 | 74.4 |
| 1954. | 91.1 | 92.4 | 85.0 89 | 83.3 | 2.01 | 77.3 81.9 | 1.80 1.92 | 76.9 82.0 |
| 1956 | 97.6 | 98.6 | 92.8 | 91.5 | 2.35 | 90.4 | 2.11 | 90.2 |
| 1957 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 2.60 | 100.0 | 2.34 | 100.0 |
| 1958 | 103.8 | 102.5 | 104.7 | 105.9 115.4 | 2.82 3.00 | 108.5 | 2.54 | 115.4 |
| 1960 | 105.2 | 102.7 | 122.1 | 125.4 | 3.34 | 128.5 | 3.01 | 128.6 |
| 1961 | 115.7 | 111.8 | 128.4 | 133.5 | 3.72 | 143.1 | 3.36 | 143.6 |
| 1962. | 124.9 | 116.7 | 136.0 | 143.0 151.3 | 4.20 4.52 | 161.5 173.8 | 3.80 4.11 | 162.4 175.6 |
| 1963 | 129.3 129.1 | 122.2 | 153.1 | 151.3 165 | 4.52 4.92 | 173.8 189.2 | 4.11 4.49 | 175.6 191.9 |
| Cols. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 _ _ _ . Data are indexes of respective series appearing in appendix Col. $11 \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |


| Year | Gross domestic product originating in manufacturing |  | Implicit price deflator for manufacturing $(1958=100)$ | Aggregate compensation <br> of wage earners <br> (billions of lire) | Aggregate annual hours of work of wage earners (millions) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Current value <br> (billions of lire) | Constant value (billions of 1958 lire) |  |  |  |
|  | (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) |
| 1950 | 2,428 | 2,503 | 97.0 | 593.657 | 3,236.5 |
| 1951 | 3,114 | ${ }_{2}^{2,860}$ | 108.9 | ${ }_{709.342}^{667.31}$ | $3,312.4$ 3.281 .8 |
| 1953 | 3,305 | 3,219 | 102.7 | 745.649 | 3,323.7 |
| 1954 | 3,503 | 3 ,576 | 98.0 | 793.758 | 3,411.7 |
| 1955 - | 3,816 | 3,898 | 97.9 | 848.725 | ${ }^{3,423.3}$ |
| 1956 | 4,064 4,362 | 4,148 4,435 | 98.0 98.4 | 913.667 967.808 | $3,451.1$ $3,524.6$ |
| 1958 -- | 4,602 | - 4 4,602 | 100.0 | 984.636 | 3,416.8 |
| 1959-- | 4,987 | 5,113 | 97.5 | 1,019.009 | 3,466.0 |
| 1960. | 5,668 6,300 | 5,824 6.447 | ${ }_{97}^{97.3}$ | $1,150.616$ $1,301.270$ | $3,753.3$ $3,961.7$ |
| 1962. | 7,043 | 6,447 7 | 97.7 99.3 | 1, $1,533.933$ | 4,042.9 |
| 1963 | 8,218 | 7,716 | 106.5 | 1,831.427 | 4,164.1 |
| 1964-. | 8,792 | 7,785 | 112.9 | 1,934.728 | 3,927.4 |

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Cols. 4, 5 $\qquad$ stituto Centrale di Statistica. Data
Statistiche del Lavoro and, for more mished in
are
Col. 3 International Standard Industrial Classification. Supplemento al Bollettino Statistiche del Lavoro.

都 Col. $1 \div$ col. 2 .

Appendix Table 5B. ITALY. Indexes of Unit Labor Cost, Output per Man-hour, and Average Hourly Compensation in Manufacturing, 1950-64

| Year | Index of constant-value gross domestic product in manufacturing | Index of aggregate compensation of wage earners | Index of aggregate hours of work of wage earners | Index of unit labor cost for wage earners | Index of output per man-hour of wage earners | Average compensation of wage earners per man-hour |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | In lire | Index |
|  | (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | (6) | (7) |
| 1950 | 56.4 | 61.3 | 91.8 | 108.7 | 61.4 | 183.43 | 66.7 |
| 1951.- | 64.5 66.1 | 69.0 73.3 | 93.9 | 107.0 110.9 | 68.7 71.0 | 201.46 216.11 | 73.3 78.8 |
| 1953-- | 72.6 | 77.0 | 94.3 | 106.1 | 77.0 | 224.34 | 81.8 |
| 1954 | 80.6 87 | 82.0 | ${ }_{97}^{96.8}$ | 101.7 99.8 | 83.3 90.5 | 232.66 247.93 | 84.7 90.4 |
| 1956 | 93.5 | 94.4 | 97.9 | 101.0 | 95.5 | 264.75 | 96.6 |
| 1957 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 274.59 | 100.0 |
| 1958 | 103.7 | 101.7 | 96.9 | 98.1 | 107.0 | ${ }_{294}^{288.17}$ | 105.0 |
| 1959 | 115.3 131.3 | 105.3 118.9 | 98.3 106.5 | 91.3 90.6 | 117.3 123.3 | 294.00 306.56 | 107.1 111.6 |
| 1961 | 145.4 | 134.4 | 112.4 | 92.4 | 129.4 | 328.46 | 119.8 |
| 1962 | 159.9 | 158.4 | 114.7 | 99.1 | 139.4 | 379.41 439 | 138.3 |
| 1963 | 174.0 175.5 | 189.2 199.9 | 118.1 111.4 | 108.7 113.9 | 147.4 156.2 | 439.81 492.63 | 160.3 179.5 |

Cols. 1, 2, 3 .............-Indexes of respective series appearing in appendix table 5A.

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Col. 7 $\qquad$ Col. 4 (table 5A) $\div$ col. 5 (table 5A).

Appendix Table 6A. Japan. Basic Data on Production, Labor Compensation, Employment, and Hours of Work in Manufacturing, 1950-64


Appendix Table 6B. Japan. Indexes of Unit Labor Cost, Output per Man-hour,
and Average Hourly Compensation in Manufacturing, 1950-64
$[1957=100]$

| Year | $\begin{gathered} \text { Index of } \\ \text { manufacturing } \\ \text { production } \end{gathered}$ | Index of aggregate compensation of all employees | Index of aggregate hours of work | Index of unit labor cost | Index of output per man-hour | Average compensation of all employees per man-hour |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | In yen | Index |
|  | (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | (6) | (7) |
| 1950. | 29.6 | ${ }^{1} 32.3$ | ${ }^{1} 61.9$ | ${ }^{1} 109.1$ | ${ }^{1} 47.8$ | ${ }^{1} 38.09$ | 152.3 |
| 1951. | 41.6 | 44.3 | 67.3 | 106.5 | 61.8 | 47.95 | 65.7 |
| 1952 | 46.2 57.5 | 52.1 | 69.5 71.7 | 112.8 101.7 | 66.5 80.2 | 54.65 59.42 | 75.0 81.5 |
| 1954 | 63.1 | 66.1 | 74.9 | 104.8 | 84.2 | 64.36 | 88.3 |
| 1955. | 68.3 | 72.4 | 77.6 | 106.0 | 88.0 | 67.96 | 93.3 |
| 1956. | 84.3 100. | 89.1 | 92.0 | 105.7 | 91.6 | 70.57 | 96.8 |
| 1957. | 100.0 98.2 | 100.0 103.9 | 100.0 101.3 | 100.0 105.8 | 100.0 96.9 | 72.87 74.70 | 100.0 102.5 |
| 1959 | 119.0 | 118.7 | 106.7 | 99.7 | 111.5 | 81.04 | 111.2 |
| 1960 | 1149.5 | 146.4 | 119.1 | 97.9 | 125.5 | $\begin{array}{r}89.53 \\ \hline 109\end{array}$ | 122.9 |
| 1961 | 179.2 194.5 | 178.7 211.0 | 125.5 129.9 | 99.7 108.5 | 142.8 149.7 | 103.77 118.40 | 142.4 162.5 |
| 1963- | $\stackrel{14.8}{19.5}$ | 213.2 | 134.6 | 113.2 | 149.6 | 131.71 | 180.7 |
| 1964 | 249.3 | 276.5 | ${ }^{(2)}$ | 110.8 | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{2}$ ) | ${ }^{(2)}$ |

[^13]| Year | Current-value gross product originating in manufacturing (millions of guilders) | $\underset{\substack{\text { Index of } \\ \text { manufacturing } \\ \text { production } \\(1953=100)}}{ }$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Aggregate } \\ \text { compensation } \\ \text { of all } \\ \text { employees } \\ \text { (millions of guilders) } \end{gathered}$ | Employment (thousands of man-years ${ }^{1}$ ) | Average weekly hours of work | Aggregate annual hours of work of all employees (millions) | Exchange rate (guilders per U.S. dollar) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | (6) | (7) |
| 1950 | 4,993 | 88 | 2,765 | 1,151 | 48.8 | $2,920.8$ | 3.800 |
| 1951 | 5,638 5,674 | ${ }_{91}^{91}$ | $\mathbf{3}, 088$ $\mathbf{3}, 200$ | 1,162 | 48.5 48.6 | $2,930.8$ $2,863.3$ | 3.800 3.800 |
| 1953 | 6,382 | 100 | 3,376 | 1,148 | 48.8 | 2,913.2 | 3.800 |
| 1954 | 7,319 | 111 | 3,906 | 1,201 | 48.8 | 3,047.7 | 3.800 |
| 1955 | 8,193 | 125 | 4,413 4,986 | 1,229 | 49.0 48.8 | 3,131.5 | 3.800 |
| 1956 | 8,735 | 128 | 5,565 <br> 1,586 | 1,263 | 48.6 | 3,191.9 | 3.800 |
| 1958 | 9,569 | 127 | 5,680 | 1,237 | 48.6 | 3,126.1 | 3.800 |
| 1959 | 10,554 | 139 | 5,945 | 1,257 | 48.8 | 3,189.8 | ${ }_{3}^{3.800}$ |
| 1960 | 12,216 12 | 155 | 6,772 7.586 | 1,295 | 48.8 46.5 | $3,286.2$ $3,208.7$ | 3.800 |
| 1962 | 12,796 13,575 | 170 | -8,228 | 1,285 | 46.5 | 3 3,107.1 | 3.600 |
| 1963 | (2) | 177 | 9,171 | 1,309 | ${ }_{46.6}$ | ${ }_{3}^{3,172.0}$ | $\xrightarrow{3.600}$ |
| 1964 | ${ }^{(2)}$ | 194 | 10,645 | 1,331 | 46.1 | 3,190.7 | 3.600 |
| ${ }^{1}$ A man-year is 300 working days regardless of the number of hours worked. <br> ${ }^{2}$ Not available. <br> Col. 1 $\qquad$ Central Bureau of Statistics, Nationale rekeningen. Constantvalue gross product figures are not published separately for the manufacturing sector. Central Bureau of Statistics, Maadschrift. <br> Cols. 3, 4 Central Bureau of Statistics, Nationale rekeningen. <br> Col. 5 $\qquad$ $\qquad$ <br> Col. 6 -----------Col. $4 \times$ col. $5 \times 52$ weeks. <br>  <br> weight exchange rate, except for 1961 which represents a change in March. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Appendix Table 7B. NETHERlandS. Indexes of Unit Labor Cost, Output Per Man-hour, and Average Hourly Compensation in Manufacturing, 1950-64
[1957=100]

| Year | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Index of } \\ & \text { manufacturing } \\ & \text { production } \end{aligned}$ | Index of aggregate compensation of all employees | Index of aggregate hours of work of all employees | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Index of } \\ & \text { exchange rate } \\ & \text { (guilders per } \end{aligned}$U.S. dollar) | Index of unit labor cost |  | Index of output per man-hour | Average hourly compensation of all employees |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Guilder } \\ & \text { basis } \end{aligned}$ | U.S. dollar basis basis |  | In guilders | Index |
|  | (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | (6) | (7) | (8) | (9) |
| 1950 | 68.8 | 49.7 | 91.5 | 100.0 | 72.2 | 72.2 | 75.2 | . 947 | 54.3 |
| 1951 | 71.1 | 55.5 57.5 | 91.8 89 | 100.0 100.0 | 78.0 80.9 | 78.0 80.9 | 77.5 79.3 | 1.118 | 64.1 |
| 1953 | 78.1 | 60.7 | 91.3 | 100.0 | 77.7 | 77.7 | 85.5 | 1.159 | 66.5 |
| 1954 | 86.7 | 70.2 | 95.5 | 100.0 | 81.0 | 81.0 | 90.8 | 1.282 | 73.6 808 |
| 1955 | 93.8 | 79.3 | 98.1 | 100.0 | 84.5 | 84.5 | 95.6 98.2 | 1.409 | 80.8 90.0 |
| 1956 | 97.7 100.0 | 89.6 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 1.743 | 100.0 |
| 1958 | +99.2 | 102.1 | 97.9 | 100.0 | 102.9 | 102.9 | 100.0 | 1.817 | 104.2 |
| 1959 | 108.6 | 106.8 | 99.0 | 100.0 | 98.3 | 98.3 | 117.7 | ${ }_{2}^{1.864}$ | 106.9 118.2 |
| 1960.. | 121.1 | 121.7 | 103.0 | 100.0 95.8 | 100.5 108.3 | 100.5 | 117.6 | ${ }_{2} 2.061$ | 118.2 135.6 |
| 1961.-. | 125.8 132.8 | 136.3 | 100.5 97.3 | 95.8 94.7 | 108.3 111.4 | 113.4 | 136.5 | 2.648 | 151.9 |
| 1963. | 138.3 | 164.8 | 99.4 | 94.7 | 119.2 | 125.9 | 139.1 | ${ }_{3}^{2.891}$ | 165.9 |
| 1964...- | 151.4 | 191.3 | 100.0 | 94.7 | 126.4 | 133.5 | 151.4 | 3.336 | 191.4 |

Appendix Table 8A. SWEDEN. Basic Data on Production, Labor Compensation,
employment, and Hours of Work in Manufacturing and Mining, 1950-64

| Year | Value added in manufacturing and mining (thousands of kronor) | Index of production in manufacturing and mining |  | Aggregate wages (thousands of kronor) | Aggregate salaries (thousands of kronor) | Aggregate wages to homeworkers (thousands of kronor) | Aggregate compensation (thousands of kronor) |  | Employment |  | Aggregate annual hours of work |  | Total hours of all employees(thousands) (thousands) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $1935=100$ | 1959 = 100 |  |  |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { All } \\ \text { employees } \end{gathered}$ | Wage earners | Wage earners | Salary earners | $\begin{gathered} \text { Wage } \\ \text { earners } \\ \text { (thousands) } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Salary } \\ \text { earners } \\ \text { (thousands) } \end{gathered}$ |  |
|  | (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | (6) | (7) | (8) | (9) | (10) | (11) | (12) | (13) |
| 1950 | (1) | ${ }_{206}^{197}$ | ${ }^{(1)} 79$ | (1) | ${ }^{(1)}$ | (1) | $24,744,099$ 25.762 .146 | $23,515,346$ $24,295,781$ | 649.469 663.135 | 143,100 149,306 | 1,384,018 | 297,648 310,556 | $1,681,666$ $1.738,286$ |
| 1952 | 12,248,173 | 202 | 78 | 4,983,808 | 1,780,001 | 23,172 | - ${ }^{\mathbf{2}, 766,788}$ | 2 $\mathbf{5}, \mathbf{2 9 6}, 980$ | 648,173 | 151,385 | 1,424,730 | 310,556 314,777 | 1,738,286 |
| 1953 | 12,490.372 | 204 | 79 | 5,076,084 | 1,847,393 | 32,497 | 6,955,974 | 5,108,581 | 631,878 | 151,974 | 1,334,053 | 316,106 | 1,650,159 |
| 1954 | 13,777,764 | 213 | 82 | 5,544,343 | 2,000,833 |  |  | 5,578,831 | 656,628 | 159,729 | 1,391,818 | 332,236 |  |
| 1955 | $15,019,988$ $16,265,527$ | 226 234 | 87 90 | $6,106,169$ $6,557,858$ | $2,243,945$ $2,482,611$ | 33,314 34,448 | $8,383,428$ $9,074,917$ | $6,189,483$ $6.592,306$ | 676,350 676.539 | 166,608 172,515 | $1,430,873$ $1,409,168$ | 346,545 358,831 | $1,777,418$ $1,767.999$ |
| 1957 | 17,646,468 | 240 | 93 | 6,911,426 | 2,686,681 | 34,505 | 9,632,612 | 6,945,931 | 671,397 | 177,235 | 1,399,137 | 368,649 | 1,767,786 |
| 1958 | 18,088,632 | 245 | 94 | 7,080,354 | 2,896,870 | 31,950 | 10,009,174 | 7,112,304 | 661,208 | 180.035 | 1,357,618 | 374,467 | 1,732,085 |
| 1959 | 19,296,266 | 259 | 110 | 7,319,163 | 3,091,594 | 32,816 | 11,443,573 | 7,351,979 | 665,143 | 185,107 | 1,345,641 | 385,022 | 1,730,663 |
| 1960 | 21,508,265 | 286 | 110 | 8,082,609 | 3,621,186 | $\begin{array}{r}38,022 \\ 40 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | 11, 741,817 | $8,120,631$ 8923,477 | 698,680 | ${ }_{211}^{196,907}$ | 1,399,140 | 409,567 | 1,808,707 |
| 1961 | 23,938,949 | 305 309 | 119 | 8,882,601 | 4,102,901 | 40,876 43,213 | 13,026,378 | $8,923,477$ 9637450 | 719,166 | $\begin{array}{r}211,222 \\ 221 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | $1,427,659$ <br> 1,419 <br> 199 | 439,342 461.063 | 1,867,001 |
| 1963 | 27,089,665 | 316 | 133 | 10,151,904 | 5,147,199 | 48,069 | 15,347,172 | 10,199,973 | 711,077 | 227,766 | 1,393,183 | ${ }_{473} \mathbf{4 6 5 3}$ | 1,866,936 |
| 1964 | (1) | 337 | 146 | (1) | (1) | (1) | 2 16,695,950 | 210,969,276 | (1) | (1) | (1) | (1) | (1) |



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$\qquad$ Central Bureau of Statistics, Industri (annual). (monthly).

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8 Central Bureau of
Cols. $4+5+6$.

Appendix Table 8b. SWEDEN. Indexes of Unit Labor Cost, Output per Man-hour, and Average Hourly Compensation in Manufacturing and Mining, 1950-64 $[1957=100]$

| Year | Index of production in manufacturing and mining | Index of aggregate compensation |  | Index of aggregate hours of work |  | Index of unit labor cost |  | Index of output per man-hour |  | Average compensation of all employees per man-hour |  | Average compensation of wage earners per man-hour |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { All } \\ \text { employees } \end{gathered}$ | Wage earners | $\underset{\text { employees }}{\text { All }}$ | Wage earners | $\underset{\text { All }}{\text { employees }}$ | Wage earners | $\underset{\text { All }}{\text { employees }}$ | Wage earners | In kronor | Index | In kronor | Index |
|  | (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | (6) | (7) | (8) | (9) | (10) | (11) | (12) | (13) |
| 1950 | 82.1 | 49.3 | 50.6 | 95.1 | 98.9 | 60.0 | 61.6 | 86.3 | 83.0 | 2.82 | 51.7 | 2.54 | 51.2 |
| 1951 | 85.8 84.2 | 59.8 70.5 | 61.8 72.1 | 98.3 96.1 | 102.0 99.0 | 69.7 83.7 | 72.0 85.6 | 87.3 87.6 | 84.1 85.1 | 3.31 3.99 | 60.7 73.4 | 3.01 3.62 | 60.7 72.8 |
| 1953 | 85.0 | 72.2 | 73.5 | 93.3 | 95.3 | 84.9 | 86.4 | 91.1 | 89.2 | 4.22 | 77.4 | 3.83 | 77.1 |
| 1954 | 88.7 | 78.7 | 80.3 | 97.5 | 99.5 | 88.7 | 90.5 | 91.0 | 89.1 | 4.40 | 80.7 | 4.01 | 80.7 |
| 1955 | 94.2 | 87.0 | 88.4 | 100.5 | 102.3 | 92.4 | 93.8 | 93.7 | 92.1 | 4.72 | 86.6 | 4.29 | 86.4 |
| 1956 | 97.5 100.0 | 94.2 100.0 | 94.9 100.0 | 100.0 100.0 | 100.0 100.0 | 96.6 100.0 | 97.3 100.0 | 97.5 100.0 | 97.5 100.0 | 5.13 5.45 | 99.2 100.0 | 4.68 4.96 | 94.9 100.0 |
| 1958 | 102.1 | 103.9 | 102.4 | 98.0 | 97.0 | 101.8 | 100.3 | 104.2 | 105.3 | 5.78 | 106.0 | 5.24 | 105.6 |
| 1959 | 107.9 | 108.4 | 105.8 | 97.9 | 96.2 | 100.5 | 98.1 | 110.2 | 112.2 | 6.03 | 110.7 | 5.46 | 110.0 |
| 1960 | 119.2 | 121.9 | 116.9 | 102.3 | 100.0 | 102.3 | 98.1 | 116.5 | 119.2 | 6.49 | 119.2 | 5.80 6.85 | 116.9 |
| 1961. | 128.0 | 195.2 149.3 | 128.5 138.7 | 105.6 106.4 | 102.0 | 105.6 110.2 | 100.4 | 121.2 | 125.5 133.6 | 6.98 7.65 | 128.0 140.3 | 6.25 6.79 | 126.0 136.8 |
| 1963 | 143.0 | 159.3 | 146.8 | 105.6 | 99.6 | 111.3 | 102.7 | 185.4 | 143.6 | 8.22 | 150.8 | 7.32 | 147.6 |
| 1964. | 157.0 | ${ }^{1173.3}$ | ${ }^{1} 1587.8$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{1} 110.4$ | ${ }^{\text {: } 100.5}$ | ${ }_{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }^{(2)}$ | ${ }_{(2)}$ | (2) | ${ }^{(2)}$ |

## ${ }^{1}$ Estimate.

${ }^{2}$ Not available. $\qquad$ -Indexes of respective series appearing in appendix table 8A.

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Appendix Table 9B. UNITED KINGDOM. Indexes of Unit Labor Cost, Output per Man-hour,
and Average Hourly Compensation in Manufacturing, 1950-64
$[1957=100]$

| Year | Index of constantvalue gross product in manufacturing | Index of aggregate compensation |  | Index of aggregate hours of work |  | Index of unit labor cost |  | Index of output per man-hour |  | Average compensation of all employees per man-hour |  | Average compensation of wage earners per man-hour |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { All } \\ \text { employees } \end{gathered}$ | Wage earners | $\begin{gathered} \text { All } \\ \text { employees } \end{gathered}$ | Wage earners | $\begin{gathered} \text { All } \\ \text { employees } \end{gathered}$ | Wage earners | $\underset{\text { All }}{\text { employees }}$ | Wage earners | In pounds | Index | In pounds | Index |
|  | (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | (6) | (7) | (8) | (9) | (10) | (11) | (12) | (13) |
| 1950 | 81.2 | 56.0 | 57.1 | 91.7 | 94.9 | 69.0 | 70.3 | 88.5 | 85.6 | 0.1515 | 61.1 | 0.1813 | 60.2 |
| 1951 | 85.1 | 62.6 | 63.4 | 94.6 | 97.6 | ${ }_{82} 73.6$ | 74.5 82.8 | 90.0 87.9 | 87.2 86.2 | . 1840 | ${ }_{72.7}^{61.2}$ | . 11566 | 76.4 |
| 1952 | 82.2 | ${ }_{73}^{68.0}$ | 68.1 74.4 | 93.5 95.4 | 95.4 97.3 | 82.7 83.9 | 82.8 85.4 | ${ }_{91.3}$ | 88.5 | . 1897 | 76.5 | . 1672 | 76.5 |
| 1954 | 93.1 | 78.8 | 80.4 | 97.4 | 99.3 | 84.6 | 86.4 | 95.6 | 93.8 | . 2006 | 80.9 | . 1771 | 81.0 |
| 1955 | 99.0 | 87.0 | 88.8 | 100.2 | 101.7 | 87.9 | 89.7 | 98.8 | 97.3 | . 21527 | 86.8 93 | . 19065 | 87.3 94.5 |
| 1956 | 98.0 | 94.3 | 95.3 | 100.4 | 100.9 | 96.2 | $\underline{97.2}$ | 97.6 | 97.1 100.0 | . 23279 | 93.9 100.0 | . 2186 | 94.5 100.0 |
| 1957 | 100.0 99.0 | 100.0 103.7 | 100.0 101.8 | 100.0 97.5 | 100.0 96.3 | 104.7 | 102.8 | 101.5 | 102.8 | . 2634 | 106.3 | . 2310 | 105.7 |
| 1959 | 105.0 | 109.2 | 106.7 | 98.2 | 97.0 | 104.0 | 101.6 | 106.9 | 108.2 | . 2755 | 111.1 | 2404 | 110.0 |
| 1960 | 113.9 | 119.8 | 117.0 | 101.0 | 99.4 | 115.2 | 103.4 | 112.8 | 114.6 | . 29450 | 118.6 | . 2754 | 117.7 |
| 1961 | 113.9 | 128.9 | 124.4 | 101.4 99 | ${ }_{96}^{98.6}$ | 113.2 | 109.2 111.0 | 112.3 114.1 | 115.5 | . 3153 | 127.2 13.4 | . 2869 | 131.2 |
| 1962 | 113.9 118.8 | 133.2 137.6 | 126.4 129.7 | 99.8 98.9 | 96.3 95.3 | 116.8 | 109.2 | 120.1 | 124.7 | . 3458 | 139.1 | 2977 | 136.2 |
| 1964 | 128.7 | 150.5 | 142.0 | 100.7 | 96.9 | 116.9 | 110.3 | 127.8 | 132.8 | . 3704 | 149.4 | 3205 | 146.6 |

Cols. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 -------Indexes of respective series appearing in appendix table


Coi. $9{ }^{\text {Col }}$ $\qquad$ Col. $1 \underset{(\text { table } 9 \mathrm{~A}}{-} \mathrm{col}) \div$ col. 14 (table 9A).


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[^1]:    ${ }^{3}$ Two series of unit labor cost indexes have been constructed for the United States. As mentioned later, series based on national accounts (Series B for the United States) are preferred for international comparisons of unit labor cost trends for all manufacturing. These data are also preferred for the analysis of unit labor cost trends in manufacturing in the United States. Four of the countries covered in this article, however (Canada, Japan, the Netherlands, and Sweden), do not now publish adequate current data on the deflated value of the gross national product originating in manufacturing. For these countries, quantity indexes of industrial production have been used. For methodological comparability with these countries for which quantity indexes are used, a U.S. series based on the Federal Reserve index of manufacturing production (Series A) is included in this bulletin. From 1950 to 1957, Series B shows a 32 -percent rise in unit labor cost, while Series A shows a 26 -percent rise.
    ${ }^{4}$ The data actually pertain to "production and related workers" in the United States and "wage earners" in four European countries. Although the two terms have somewhat similar meanings, there are important differences. Production workers in the United States include workers and working foremen engaged in production or closely associated operations. They exclude executive, professional, technical, supervisory, clerical, sales, delivery, personnel (including cafeteria), major construction, and other nonproduction employees. In Europe the practices vary, but the term "wage earners" ordinarily refers to those who are paid by the hour, or perform manual work, irrespective of whether their work is closely associated with production.

[^2]:    ${ }^{5}$ Shelton and Chandler, "The Role of Labor Cost in Foreign Trade," op. cit.

[^3]:    ${ }^{6}$ The U.S. data are based on published estimates of output originating in manufacturing. The estimates are currently being revised by the U.S. Department of Commerce's Office of Business Economics.

[^4]:    ${ }^{1}$ Not available.

[^5]:    ${ }^{7}$ Shelton and Chandler, "The Role of Labor Cost in Foreign Trade," op. cit.

[^6]:    ULC $=$ Unit labor cost in manufacturing
    $\mathrm{V}=$ Value of output originating in manufacturing
    Q $\quad=$ Real output originating in manufacturing
    $\mathrm{E}=$ Labor compensation in manufacturing
    $R=$ Other factor returns in manufacturing. The sum of capital consumption allowances, indirect business taxes, and profittype income
    $\mathrm{P}=$ Implicit price deflator for manufacturing
    $\Sigma \mathrm{pq}=\underset{\text { ual products }}{\text { Sum of price times quantity for individ- }}$
    $\mathrm{L}=$ Hours of work of all employees in manufacturing
    $\mathrm{t}=$ Current time period
    o $=$ Base time period
    I $=$ Input from other sectors
    $0=$ Outputs of manufacturing not adjusted for input changes
    (1) $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{t}}=\mathrm{E}_{\mathrm{t}}+\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{t}}=\Sigma_{0} \mathrm{p}_{\mathrm{t}} \mathrm{q}_{\mathrm{t}}-\Sigma_{\mathrm{I}} \mathrm{p}_{\mathrm{t}} \mathrm{q}_{\mathrm{t}}$

[^7]:    ${ }^{8}$ The rough estimates for 1965 must be excepted. These estimates are based on available current sources that may be entirely different from the sources for prior years.
    ${ }^{9}$ International Standard Industrial Classification of All Economic Activities (New York, United Nations, 1958), Statistical Papers, Series M, No. 4 Rev. 1.

[^8]:    ${ }^{10}$ The indexes for Sweden cover manufacturing and mining combined.

[^9]:    ${ }^{11}$ An industry, in this case, means a four-digit industry according to the Standard Industrial Classification Manual, prepared by the U.S. Bureau of the Budget.
    ${ }^{12}$ In June 1966, the DBS published the first of a series of revisions to the index of industrial production, covering the period 1949 through 1965. The new series for manufacturing shows significant differences from the previous series, owing mainly to the incorporation of more recent (1959) benchmark levels. The revised index, together with revised unit labor cost and output per manhour indexes, is shown in appendix table 2C.

[^10]:    ${ }^{13}$ Data for Germany include the Saar and West Berlin beginning in 1960. For prior years, these two areas are excluded.

[^11]:    (BLS). Data prepared by Division of Productivity Meas-

[^12]:    $\qquad$ Indexes of resp
    Col. $2 \div$ col. 1.

[^13]:    Estimate.
    Cols. 1, 2, 3 $\qquad$ ${ }^{2}$ Not available.
    Indexes of respective series appearing in appendix table 6A. Col. 5
    Col. 6
    Col. 7 $\qquad$
    
    $\div$ col. $6($ table 6 A$)$

