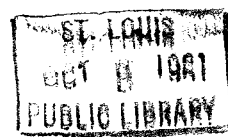


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NOTE.—Detail in these tables will not necessarily add to totals because of rounding.

Data for Alaska and Hawaii are not included unless specifically noted.
Unless otherwise stated, all dollar figures are in current prices.

TOTAL OUTPUT, INCOME, AND SPENDING

THE NATION'S INCOME, EXPENDITURE, AND SAVING

Gross national product rose \$15.3 billion (seasonally adjusted annual rate), or 3.1 percent, from the first to the second quarter of 1961, according to recent revisions.

(Billions of dollars; quarterly data at seasonally adjusted annual rates)

Period	Persons			Business			International				
	Dis- posable personal income ¹	Personal consump- tion expendi- tures	Personal saving (+) or dis- saving (-)	Gross retained earn- ings ²	Gross private domestic invest- ment	Excess of invest- ment (-)	Foreign net trans- fers by Govern- ment	Net exports of goods and services			Excess of transfers (+) or of net exports (-) ³
								Net exports	Ex- ports	Im- ports	
1951.....	227. 5	209. 8	17. 7	31. 5	56. 3	-24. 8	2. 1	2. 4	17. 9	15. 5	-0. 2
1952.....	238. 7	219. 8	18. 9	33. 2	49. 9	-16. 6	1. 5	1. 3	17. 4	16. 1	. 2
1953.....	252. 5	232. 6	19. 8	34. 3	50. 3	-16. 0	1. 6	- . 4	16. 6	17. 0	2. 0
1954.....	256. 9	238. 0	18. 9	35. 5	48. 9	-13. 4	1. 4	1. 0	17. 5	16. 5	. 4
1955.....	274. 4	256. 9	17. 5	42. 1	63. 8	-21. 8	1. 5	1. 1	19. 4	18. 3	. 4
1956.....	292. 9	269. 9	23. 0	43. 0	67. 4	-24. 3	1. 5	2. 9	23. 1	20. 2	-1. 5
1957.....	308. 8	285. 2	23. 6	45. 6	66. 1	-20. 5	1. 5	4. 9	26. 2	21. 3	-3. 5
1958.....	317. 9	293. 2	24. 7	44. 8	56. 6	-11. 9	1. 3	1. 2	22. 7	21. 5	. 1
1959.....	337. 3	314. 0	23. 4	50. 7	72. 4	-21. 7	1. 5	- . 7	23. 1	23. 8	2. 3
1960.....	351. 8	328. 9	22. 9	51. 7	72. 4	-20. 7	1. 6	3. 0	26. 7	23. 6	-1. 5
1959: Third quarter...	338. 7	316. 5	22. 3	49. 7	68. 2	-18. 5	1. 3	- . 5	24. 0	24. 5	1. 8
Fourth quarter...	342. 3	320. 0	22. 3	51. 4	71. 8	-20. 4	1. 9	. 0	24. 1	24. 0	1. 9
1960: First quarter...	345. 7	323. 8	21. 8	52. 0	78. 9	-26. 9	1. 5	1. 8	25. 6	23. 9	-. 3
Second quarter...	352. 7	329. 9	22. 8	51. 9	74. 6	-22. 7	1. 6	2. 3	26. 7	24. 4	-. 7
Third quarter...	354. 4	329. 7	24. 6	51. 7	70. 5	-18. 8	1. 5	3. 0	26. 8	23. 8	-1. 5
Fourth quarter...	354. 9	332. 3	22. 7	51. 2	65. 6	-14. 4	1. 6	5. 1	27. 6	22. 4	-3. 5
1961: First quarter...	354. 3	330. 7	23. 7	50. 4	59. 8	-9. 4	1. 6	5. 3	27. 6	22. 3	-3. 7
Second quarter...	361. 8	336. 1	25. 8	(⁶)	68. 8	(⁶)	1. 5	3. 9	26. 4	22. 5	-2. 4

Period	Government						Surplus (+) or deficit (-) on income and product account	Total income or receipts	Statistical discrepancy	Gross national product or expenditure
	Net receipts			Expenditures						
	Net receipts	Tax and nontax receipts or accruals	Transfers, interest, and sub- sidies ⁴	Pur- chases of goods and services	Total expendi- tures	Transfers, interest, and sub- sidies ⁴				
1951-----	66.6	85.5	18.9	60.5	79.4	18.9	6.1	327.7	1.2	329.0
1952-----	72.2	90.6	18.4	76.0	94.4	18.4	-3.9	345.6	1.4	347.0
1953-----	75.7	94.9	19.2	82.8	102.0	19.2	-7.1	364.1	1.3	365.4
1954-----	68.5	90.0	21.5	75.3	96.7	21.5	-6.7	362.3	.9	363.1
1955-----	78.4	101.4	23.0	75.6	98.6	23.0	2.9	396.5	1.0	397.5
1956-----	84.2	109.5	25.3	79.0	104.3	25.3	5.2	421.6	-2.4	419.2
1957-----	87.5	116.3	28.7	86.5	115.3	28.7	1.0	443.4	- .6	442.8
1958-----	82.0	115.1	33.1	93.5	126.6	33.1	-11.4	446.0	-1.5	444.5
1959-----	94.9	129.3	34.4	97.1	131.5	34.4	-2.2	484.4	-1.7	482.8
1960-----	102.0	139.1	37.1	100.1	137.2	37.1	1.9	507.1	-2.6	504.4
1959: Third quarter-----	95.3	129.3	34.0	98.1	132.1	34.0	-2.8	485.0	-2.8	482.3
Fourth quarter-----	94.4	130.4	36.0	96.5	132.5	36.0	-2.0	490.0	-1.8	488.3
1960: First quarter-----	103.5	139.5	36.0	96.9	132.9	36.0	6.5	502.7	-1.1	501.5
Second quarter-----	103.3	140.1	36.8	99.6	136.4	36.8	3.5	509.5	-2.9	506.4
Third quarter-----	101.5	138.8	37.3	101.9	139.2	37.3	- .5	509.1	-4.0	505.1
Fourth quarter-----	99.7	138.3	38.6	101.6	140.2	38.6	-1.9	507.4	-2.9	504.5
1961: First quarter-----	97.1	136.8	39.7	105.0	144.7	39.7	-7.9	503.4	-2.6	500.8
Second quarter-----	(⁶)	(⁶)	41.2	107.3	148.5	41.2	(⁶)	(⁶)	(⁶)	516.1

¹ Personal income (p. 3) less personal taxes and nontax payments (fines, penalties, etc.).

² Undistributed corporate profits, corporate inventory valuation adjustment, capital consumption allowances, and excess of wage accruals over disbursements.

³ Net foreign investment with sign changed.

⁴ Government transfer payments to persons, foreign net transfers by Government, net interest paid by government, and subsidies less current surplus of government enterprises.

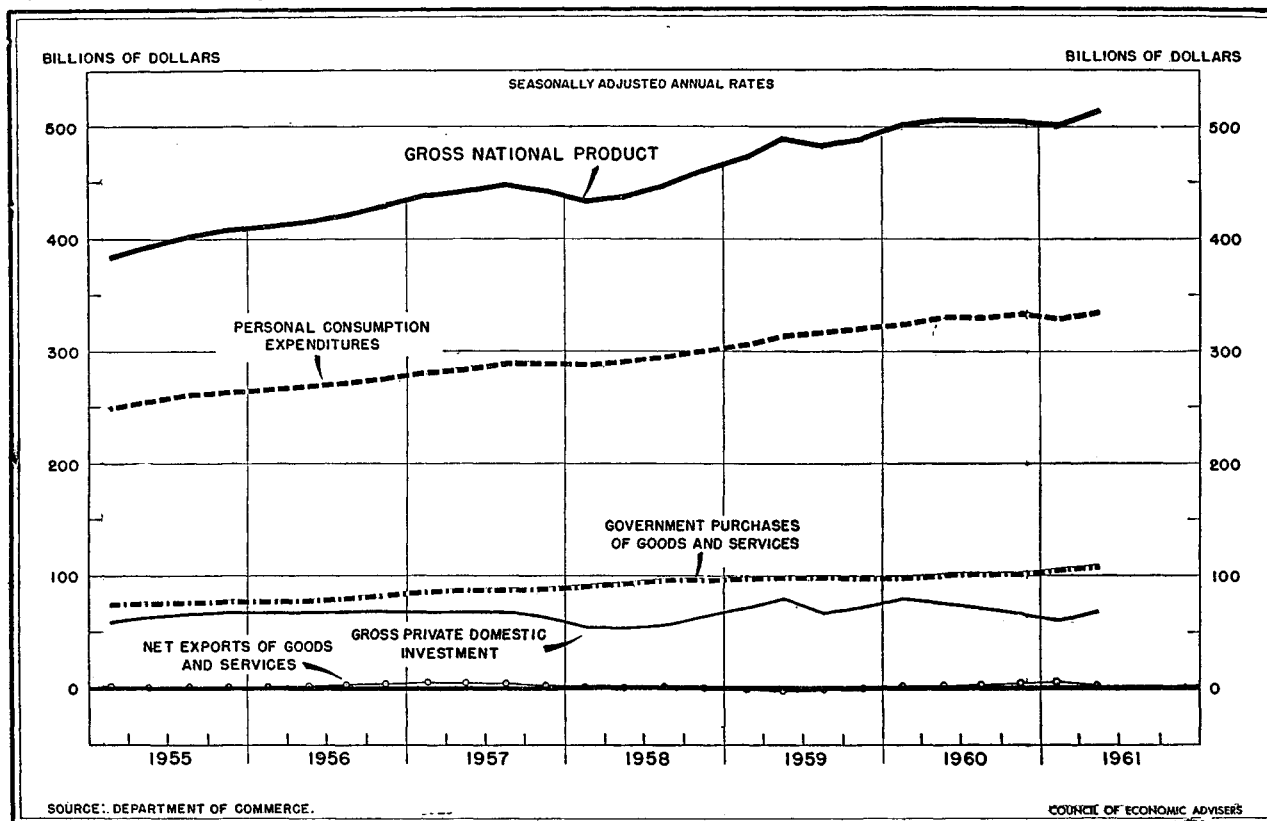
⁵ Not available.

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

Source: Department of Commerce.

GROSS NATIONAL PRODUCT OR EXPENDITURE

Gross national product in current prices (seasonally adjusted) rose 3.1 percent in the second quarter of 1961; when adjusted for price changes, the increase was 2.8 percent.



[Billions of dollars]											
Period	Total gross national product in 1960 prices	Total gross national product	Personal consumption expenditures	Gross private domestic investment	Net exports of goods and services	Government purchases of goods and services					Implicit price deflator for total GNP, 1960=100 ³
						Total	Federal			State and local	
							Total ¹	National defense ²	Other		
1949.....	334.2	258.1	181.2	33.0	3.8	40.2	22.2	13.6	8.9	17.9	77.2
1950.....	362.3	284.6	195.0	50.0	.6	39.0	19.3	14.3	5.2	19.7	78.6
1951.....	391.8	329.0	209.8	56.3	2.4	60.5	38.8	33.9	5.2	21.7	84.0
1952.....	406.6	347.0	219.8	49.9	1.3	76.0	52.9	46.4	6.7	23.2	85.3
1953.....	425.2	365.4	232.6	50.3	-.4	82.8	58.0	49.3	9.0	24.9	85.9
1954.....	416.6	363.1	238.0	48.9	1.0	75.3	47.5	41.2	6.7	27.7	87.2
1955.....	449.6	397.5	256.9	63.8	1.1	75.6	45.3	39.1	6.6	30.3	88.4
1956.....	459.1	419.2	269.9	67.4	2.9	79.0	45.7	40.4	5.7	33.2	91.3
1957.....	467.6	442.8	285.2	66.1	4.9	86.5	49.7	44.4	5.7	36.8	94.7
1958.....	459.9	444.5	293.2	56.6	1.2	93.5	52.6	44.8	8.3	40.8	96.7
1959.....	491.0	482.8	314.0	72.4	-.7	97.1	53.5	46.2	7.8	43.6	98.3
1960.....	504.4	504.4	328.9	72.4	3.0	100.1	52.9	45.5	8.0	47.2	100.0
Seasonally adjusted annual rates											
1959: Third quarter....	488.8	482.3	316.5	68.2	-0.5	98.1	54.1	46.3	8.3	44.0	98.7
Fourth quarter....	493.1	488.3	320.0	71.8	.0	96.5	52.9	45.9	7.5	43.6	99.0
1960: First quarter....	504.5	501.5	323.8	78.9	1.8	96.9	51.8	45.5	6.9	45.0	99.4
Second quarter....	507.6	506.4	329.9	74.6	2.3	99.6	52.9	45.5	7.9	46.8	99.8
Third quarter....	504.1	505.1	329.7	70.5	3.0	101.9	54.0	45.4	9.1	48.0	100.2
Fourth quarter....	501.2	504.5	332.3	65.6	5.1	101.6	53.0	45.7	7.9	48.6	100.7
1961: First quarter....	496.1	500.8	330.7	59.8	5.3	105.0	54.7	47.2	8.0	50.3	100.9
Second quarter....	510.1	516.1	336.1	68.8	3.9	107.3	56.6	48.8	8.3	50.6	101.2

¹ Less Government sales.

² These expenditures correspond closely with budget expenditures for "major national security," shown on p. 31.

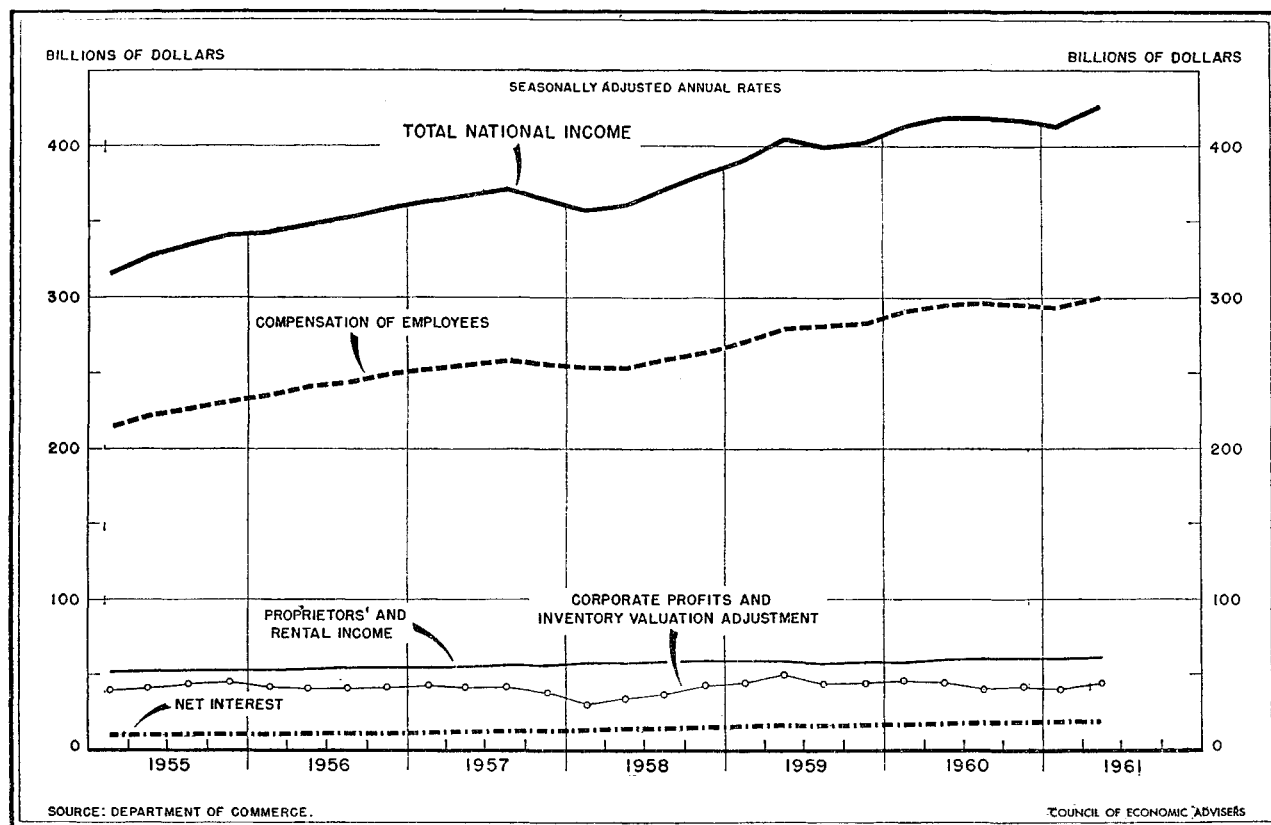
³ Gross national product in current prices divided by gross national product in 1960 prices.

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

Source: Department of Commerce.

NATIONAL INCOME

National income increased \$13.8 billion (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in the second quarter of 1961. The rise was concentrated in compensation of employees and corporate profits.



[Billions of dollars]

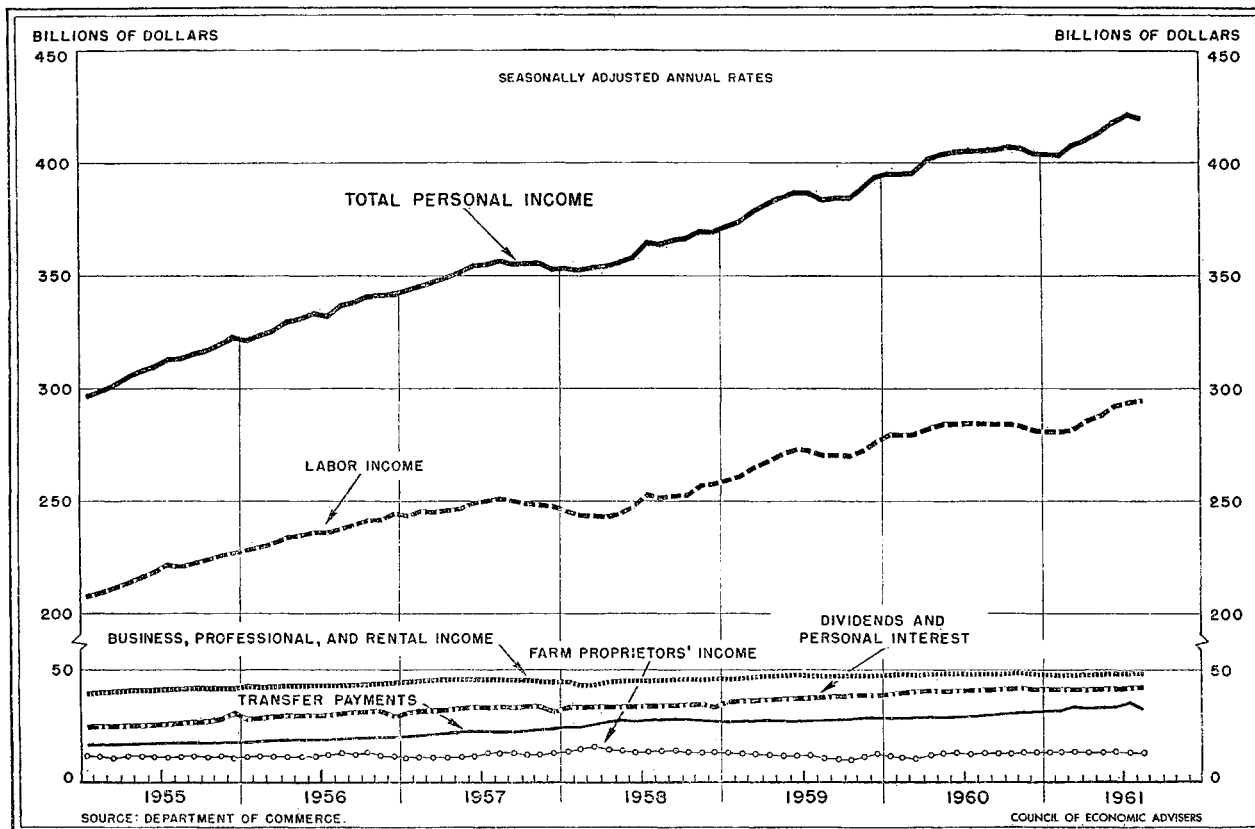
Period	Total national income	Compensation of employees ¹	Proprietors' income		Rental income of persons	Net interest	Corporate profits and inventory valuation adjustment		
			Farm	Business and professional			Total	Profits before taxes	Inventory valuation adjustment
1949.....	217.7	140.8	12.9	22.7	8.3	4.8	28.2	26.4	1.9
1950.....	241.9	154.2	14.0	23.5	9.0	5.5	35.7	40.6	-5.0
1951.....	279.3	180.3	16.3	26.0	9.4	6.3	41.0	42.2	-1.2
1952.....	292.2	195.0	15.3	26.9	10.2	7.1	37.7	36.7	1.0
1953.....	305.6	208.8	13.3	27.4	10.5	8.2	37.3	38.3	-1.0
1954.....	301.8	207.6	12.7	27.8	10.9	9.1	33.7	34.1	-.3
1955.....	330.2	223.9	11.8	30.4	10.7	10.4	43.1	44.9	-1.7
1956.....	350.8	242.5	11.6	32.1	10.9	11.7	42.0	44.7	-2.7
1957.....	366.9	255.5	11.8	32.7	11.9	13.4	41.7	43.2	-1.5
1958.....	367.4	257.1	13.5	32.5	12.2	14.8	37.2	37.4	-.3
1959.....	399.6	278.4	11.3	35.0	11.9	16.6	46.4	46.8	-.5
1960.....	417.1	293.7	12.0	36.2	11.7	18.4	45.1	45.0	.0
Seasonally adjusted annual rates									
1959: Third quarter.....	399.4	280.5	10.6	35.3	11.8	16.7	44.4	44.8	-0.4
Fourth quarter.....	402.8	282.4	10.8	35.3	11.7	17.0	45.5	44.9	.7
1960: First quarter.....	413.5	290.2	10.5	35.8	11.7	17.8	47.4	48.1	-.7
Second quarter.....	419.2	294.6	12.3	36.4	11.7	18.3	45.9	46.3	-.4
Third quarter.....	419.0	296.0	12.4	36.3	11.7	18.6	44.1	43.2	.9
Fourth quarter.....	416.5	294.0	12.7	36.3	11.7	18.9	42.9	42.6	.3
1961: First quarter.....	412.2	292.6	12.9	36.0	11.5	19.2	40.0	39.6	.4
Second quarter.....	426.0	300.2	12.9	36.3	11.5	19.6	45.5	45.2	.3

¹Includes employer contributions for social insurance. (See also p. 3.)

NOTE.—Data for Alaska and Hawaii included beginning 1960.
Source: Department of Commerce.

SOURCES OF PERSONAL INCOME

Personal income decreased \$1.9 billion (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in August. If the stepped-up dividend payment to veterans, a nonrecurring item, were excluded from the July total, there would be a rise of \$0.7 billion. Labor income accounted for most of the rise.



Period	Total personal income	Labor income (wage and salary disbursements and other labor income) ¹	Proprietors' income		Rental income of persons	Dividends	Personal interest income	Transfer payments	Less: Personal contributions for social insurance	Nonagricultural personal income ²
			Farm	Business and professional						
1952	273.1	190.2	15.3	26.9	10.2	9.0	12.1	13.2	3.8	254.3
1953	288.3	204.1	13.3	27.4	10.5	9.2	13.4	14.3	3.9	271.5
1954	289.8	202.5	12.7	27.8	10.9	9.8	14.6	16.2	4.6	273.8
1955	310.2	218.0	11.8	30.4	10.7	11.2	15.8	17.5	5.2	295.0
1956	332.9	235.7	11.6	32.1	10.9	12.1	17.5	18.8	5.8	317.9
1957	351.4	247.7	11.8	32.7	11.9	12.6	19.6	21.9	6.7	336.1
1958	360.3	249.2	13.5	32.5	12.2	12.4	21.0	26.3	6.9	343.0
1959	383.3	268.8	11.3	35.0	11.9	13.4	23.6	27.2	7.9	368.1
1960	402.2	282.2	12.0	36.2	11.7	14.1	26.2	29.1	9.3	386.2
Seasonally adjusted annual rates										
1960: August	405.2	284.1	12.4	36.3	11.7	14.1	26.4	29.3	9.3	388.7
September	405.5	283.9	12.4	36.3	11.7	14.3	26.6	29.8	9.4	389.0
October	406.4	284.0	12.5	36.4	11.7	14.4	26.6	30.2	9.3	389.8
November	406.0	282.7	12.8	36.4	11.7	14.4	26.7	30.7	9.3	389.1
December	404.0	280.9	12.8	36.0	11.6	14.1	26.7	31.0	9.2	387.2
1961: January	403.6	280.6	12.8	36.0	11.6	14.2	26.8	31.1	9.6	386.8
February	403.1	280.2	12.9	35.8	11.5	14.2	26.8	31.1	9.4	386.2
March	³ 407.3	281.7	13.0	36.0	11.4	14.2	26.8	³ 33.7	9.6	³ 390.4
April	409.8	285.3	12.9	36.1	11.5	14.2	26.8	32.5	9.6	392.9
May	413.2	288.0	12.9	36.3	11.5	14.2	27.0	33.0	9.7	396.4
June	417.3	291.7	13.0	36.4	11.5	14.3	27.1	33.0	9.8	400.2
July	³ 421.2	293.4	12.9	36.6	11.5	14.3	27.2	³ 35.2	9.8	³ 404.0
August ⁴	419.3	293.9	12.9	36.6	11.5	14.3	27.4	32.4	9.8	402.0

¹ Compensation of employees (see p. 2) excluding employer contributions for social insurance and the excess of wage accruals over disbursements.

² Personal income exclusive of net income of unincorporated farm enterprises, farm wages, agricultural net interest, and net dividends paid by agricultural corporations.

³ Includes stepped-up payment of National Service Life Insurance dividends

of \$150 million (\$1.8 billion at annual rate) in March and \$218 million (\$2.6 billion at annual rate) in July.

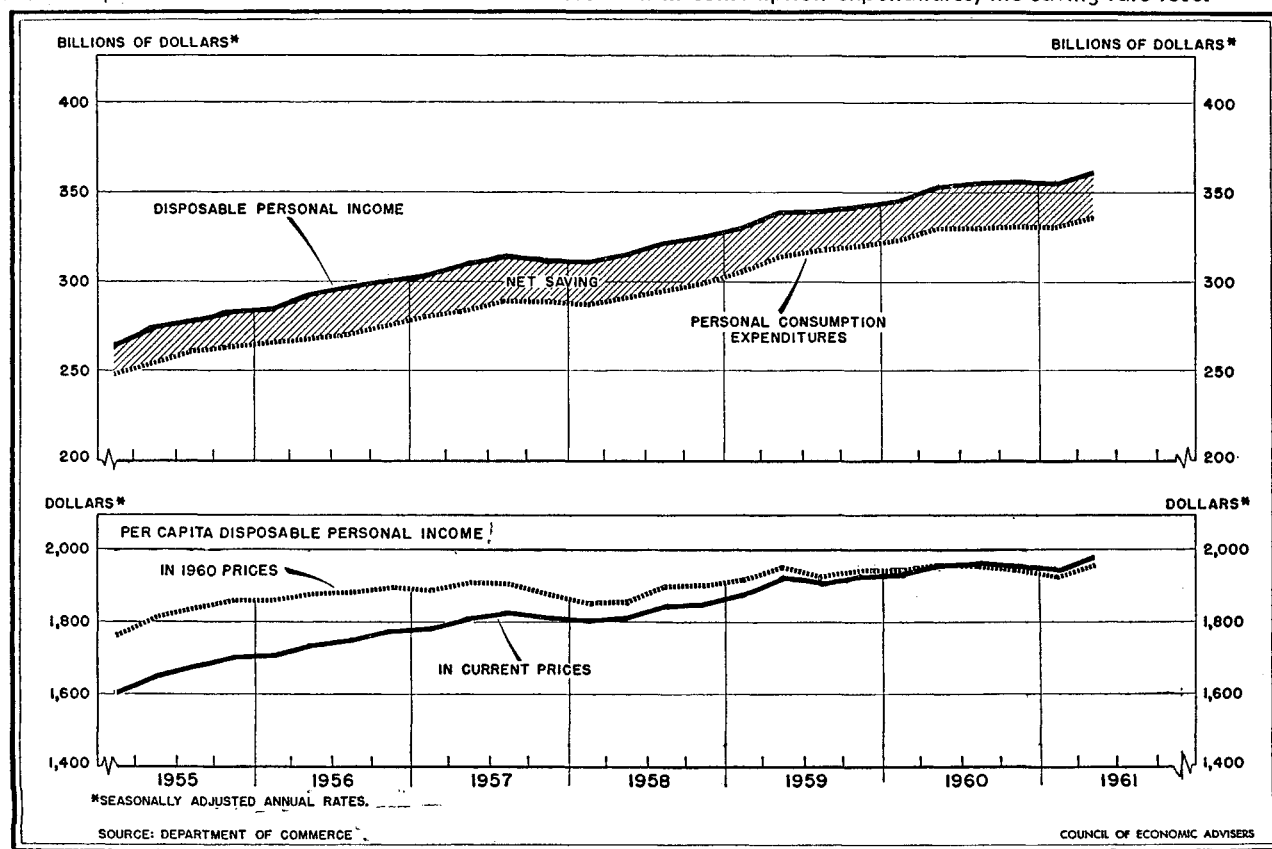
⁴ Preliminary.

NOTE.—Data for Alaska and Hawaii included beginning 1960

Source: Department of Commerce.

DISPOSITION OF PERSONAL INCOME

Disposable personal income (seasonally adjusted) increased in the second quarter of 1961, following a decline in the first quarter. Since the rate of increase was more than in consumption expenditures, the saving rate rose.



Period	Dis-posable personal income ¹	Personal consumption expenditures				Personal saving	Per capita dis-posable personal income ¹		Saving as percent of dis-posable personal income (percent)	Popula-tion (thou-sands) ³	
		Total	Durable goods	Non-durable goods	Services		Current prices	1960 prices ²			
		Billions of dollars						Dollars			
1950.....	207. 7	195. 0	30. 4	99. 8	64. 9	12. 6	1, 369	1, 674	6. 1	151, 683	
1951.....	227. 5	209. 8	29. 5	110. 1	70. 2	17. 7	1, 474	1, 690	7. 8	154, 360	
1952.....	238. 7	219. 8	29. 1	115. 1	75. 6	18. 9	1, 520	1, 706	7. 9	157, 028	
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1957.....	308. 8	285. 2	40. 4	137. 7	107. 1	23. 6	1, 804	1, 891	7. 6	171, 198	
1958.....	317. 9	293. 2	37. 3	141. 6	114. 3	24. 7	1, 826	1, 877	7. 8	174, 060	
1959.....	337. 3	314. 0	43. 5	147. 3	123. 2	23. 4	1, 905	1, 934	6. 9	177, 076	
1960.....	351. 8	328. 9	44. 3	152. 4	132. 2	22. 9	1, 947	1, 947	6. 5	180, 670	
		Seasonally adjusted annual rates									
1959: Third quarter.....	338. 7	316. 5	44. 4	147. 7	124. 4	22. 3	1, 908	1, 931	6. 6	177, 493	
Fourth quarter.....	342. 3	320. 0	43. 7	149. 3	127. 0	22. 3	1, 920	1, 937	6. 5	178, 291	
1960: First quarter.....	345. 7	323. 8	44. 7	150. 5	128. 6	21. 8	1, 924	1, 936	6. 3	179, 690	
Second quarter.....	352. 7	329. 9	45. 3	153. 3	131. 2	22. 8	1, 956	1, 958	6. 5	180, 328	
Third quarter.....	354. 4	329. 7	43. 4	152. 7	133. 6	24. 6	1, 957	1, 955	6. 9	181, 084	
Fourth quarter.....	354. 9	332. 3	43. 8	153. 1	135. 4	22. 7	1, 951	1, 941	6. 4	181, 898	
1961: First quarter.....	354. 3	330. 7	39. 4	153. 7	137. 5	23. 7	1, 940	1, 923	6. 7	182, 602	
Second quarter.....	361. 8	336. 1	42. 0	154. 1	139. 9	25. 8	1, 974	1, 954	7. 1	183, 292	

¹ Personal income (p. 3) less personal taxes and nontax payments (fines, penalties, etc.).

Income in current prices divided by the implicit price deflator for personal consumption expenditures on a 1960 base.

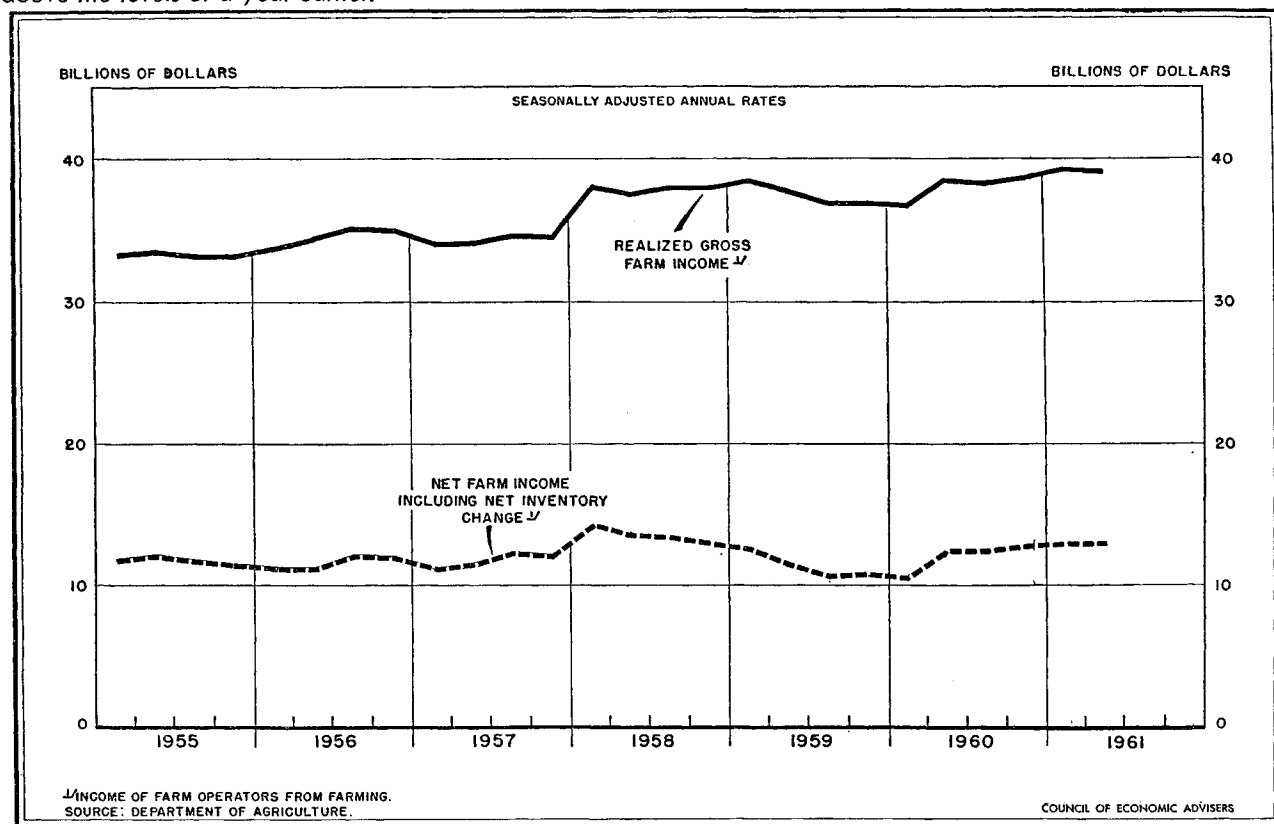
³ Population of the United States including armed forces abroad. Annual figures of July 1, quarterly data centered in the middle of the period, interpolated from monthly figures.

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

Sources: Department of Commerce and Council of Economic Advisers.

FARM INCOME

Gross and net farm income in the second quarter of 1961 was about the same as in the previous quarter, and remained above the levels of a year earlier.



Period	Income received by total farm population			Income received by farm operators from farming						
	From all sources	From agricultural sources ¹	From nonagricultural sources	Realized gross		Production expenses	Net		Net income per farm including net inventory change	
				Total ²	Cash receipts from marketings		Excluding inventory change	Including net inventory change ³	Current prices	1960 prices ⁴
Billions of dollars									Dollars	
1952.....	(⁶)	(⁶)	(⁶)	37. 0	32. 6	22. 6	14. 4	15. 3	(⁶)	(⁶)
1953.....	(⁶)	(⁶)	(⁶)	35. 3	31. 1	21. 4	13. 9	13. 3	(⁶)	(⁶)
1954.....	(⁶)	(⁶)	(⁶)	33. 9	30. 0	21. 7	12. 2	12. 7	2, 702	2, 905
1955.....	(⁶)	(⁶)	(⁶)	33. 3	29. 6	21. 9	11. 5	11. 8	2, 579	2, 773
1956.....	(⁶)	(⁶)	(⁶)	34. 6	30. 6	22. 6	12. 0	11. 6	2, 607	2, 773
1957.....	(⁶)	(⁶)	(⁶)	34. 4	29. 8	23. 4	11. 0	11. 8	2, 728	2, 812
1958.....	(⁶)	(⁶)	(⁶)	37. 9	33. 4	25. 3	12. 6	13. 5	3, 214	3, 246
1959.....	(⁶)	(⁶)	(⁶)	37. 5	33. 4	26. 3	11. 2	11. 3	2, 756	2, 784
1960.....	(⁶)	(⁶)	(⁶)	38. 1	34. 0	26. 4	11. 7	12. 0	3, 000	3, 000
Seasonally adjusted annual rates										
1959: Third quarter.....	(⁶)	(⁶)	(⁶)	36. 9	32. 8	26. 3	10. 6	10. 6	2, 590	2, 620
Fourth quarter.....	(⁶)	(⁶)	(⁶)	36. 9	32. 9	26. 2	10. 7	10. 8	2, 630	2, 630
1960: First quarter.....	(⁶)	(⁶)	(⁶)	36. 8	32. 7	26. 4	10. 4	10. 5	2, 620	2, 620
Second quarter.....	(⁶)	(⁶)	(⁶)	38. 5	34. 4	26. 5	12. 0	12. 3	3, 080	3, 080
Third quarter.....	(⁶)	(⁶)	(⁶)	38. 3	34. 2	26. 3	12. 0	12. 4	3, 100	3, 100
Fourth quarter.....	(⁶)	(⁶)	(⁶)	38. 7	34. 7	26. 3	12. 4	12. 7	3, 180	3, 180
1961: First quarter.....	(⁶)	(⁶)	(⁶)	39. 3	35. 3	26. 7	12. 6	12. 9	3, 310	3, 310
Second quarter.....	(⁶)	(⁶)	(⁶)	39. 2	34. 0	26. 7	12. 5	12. 9	3, 310	3, 310

¹ Net income of farm operators from farming (including net inventory change) and wages received by farm resident workers.

² Cash receipts from marketings, Government payments, and nonmoney income furnished by farms.

³ Inventory of crops and livestock valued at the average price for the year.

⁴ The number of farms (based on 1959 Census of Agriculture definition) is held constant within a year.

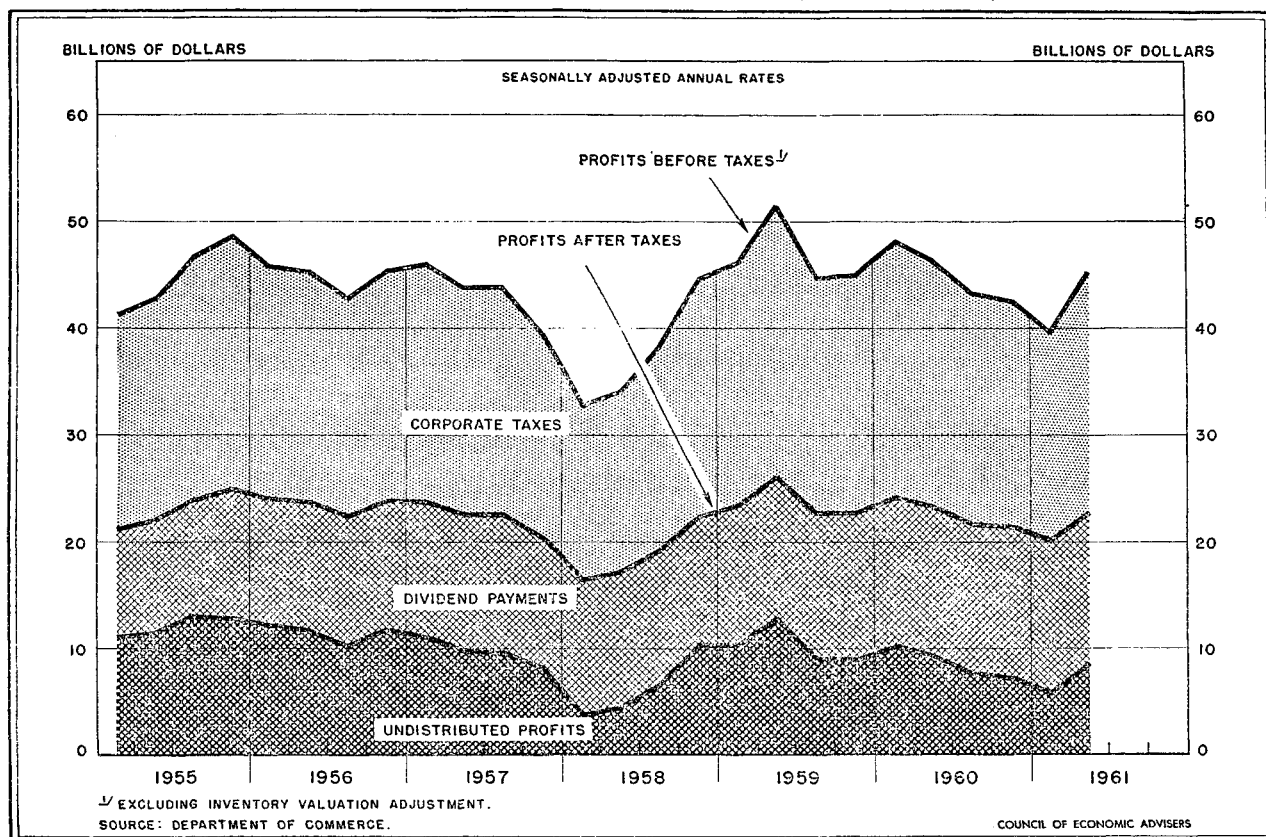
⁵ Income in current prices divided by the index of prices paid by farmers for family living items on a 1960 base.

⁶ Not available until fall of 1961.

Source: Department of Agriculture.

CORPORATE PROFITS

Corporate profits before taxes in the second quarter of 1961 are estimated at \$45.2 billion (seasonally adjusted annual rate), about 14 percent above the first quarter level but about 2 percent below a year earlier.



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

Period	Corporate profits (before taxes) and inventory valuation adjustment ¹						Corporate profits before taxes	Corporate tax liability	Corporate profits after taxes		
	All industries	Manufacturing			Transportation, communications, and public utilities	All other industries			Total	Dividend payments	Undistributed profits
		Total	Durable goods industries	Non-durable goods industries							
1950.....	35.7	20.4	12.0	8.4	4.0	11.3	40.6	17.9	22.8	9.2	13.6
1951.....	41.0	24.4	13.5	10.9	4.5	12.0	42.2	22.4	19.7	9.0	10.7
1952.....	37.7	21.1	11.8	9.3	4.8	11.8	36.7	19.5	17.2	9.0	8.3
1953.....	37.3	21.4	12.1	9.3	4.9	11.0	38.3	20.2	18.1	9.2	8.9
1954.....	33.7	18.4	10.1	8.3	4.4	11.0	34.1	17.2	16.8	9.8	7.0
1955.....	43.1	25.0	14.2	10.8	5.4	12.8	44.9	21.8	23.0	11.2	11.8
1956.....	42.0	23.5	12.6	10.9	5.6	12.9	44.7	21.2	23.5	12.1	11.3
1957.....	41.7	22.9	13.1	9.8	5.5	13.3	43.2	20.9	22.3	12.6	9.7
1958.....	37.2	18.3	9.0	9.3	5.6	13.3	37.4	18.6	18.8	12.4	6.4
1959.....	46.4	24.8	13.2	11.6	6.4	15.2	46.8	23.1	23.7	13.4	10.3
1960.....	45.1	23.3	12.0	11.3	6.8	15.0	45.0	22.3	22.7	14.1	8.6
1959: Third quarter.....	44.4	24.1	12.2	11.9	6.0	14.3	44.8	22.1	22.7	13.7	9.0
Fourth quarter.....	45.5	23.4	11.9	11.5	6.4	15.8	44.9	22.1	22.7	13.8	8.9
1960: First quarter.....	47.4	25.5	13.9	11.5	6.7	15.2	48.1	23.9	24.2	14.0	10.2
Second quarter.....	45.9	23.4	12.0	11.4	6.9	15.5	46.3	23.0	23.3	14.0	9.3
Third quarter.....	44.1	22.6	11.4	11.3	6.6	14.9	43.2	21.4	21.7	14.1	7.6
Fourth quarter.....	42.9	21.6	10.7	10.9	6.8	14.6	42.6	21.1	21.4	14.3	7.2
1961: First quarter.....	40.0	18.8	8.5	10.4	6.5	14.6	39.6	19.6	20.0	14.2	5.8
Second quarter.....	45.5	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	(²)	45.2	22.4	22.8	14.2	8.6

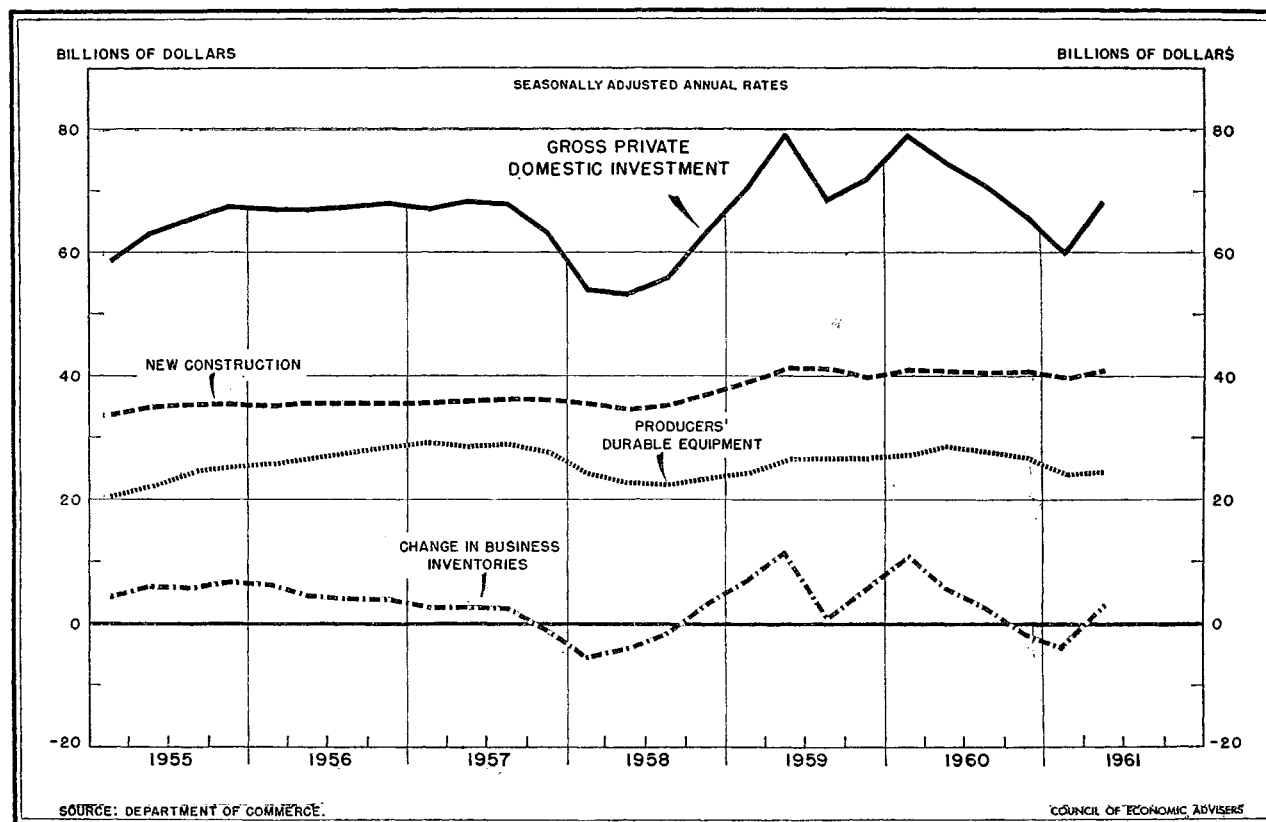
¹ See p. 2 for inventory valuation adjustment.

² Not available.

NOTE.—Data for Alaska and Hawaii included beginning 1960.
Source: Department of Commerce.

GROSS PRIVATE DOMESTIC INVESTMENT

Private investment increased \$9.0 billion (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in the second quarter of 1961. Most of the change was due to inventories, which had been liquidated at a rate of \$4.0 billion in the first quarter and were accumulated at a rate of \$2.8 billion in the second quarter.



[Billions of dollars]

Period	Total gross private domestic investment	Fixed investment					Change in business inventories	
		Total	New construction ¹			Producers' durable equipment	Total	Nonfarm
			Total	Residential nonfarm	Other ²			
1949.....	33.0	36.0	18.8	9.6	9.2	17.2	-3.1	-2.2
1950.....	50.0	43.2	24.2	14.1	10.1	18.9	6.8	6.0
1951.....	56.3	46.1	24.8	12.5	12.3	21.3	10.2	9.1
1952.....	49.9	46.8	25.5	12.8	12.7	21.3	3.1	2.1
1953.....	50.3	49.9	27.6	13.8	13.8	22.3	.4	1.1
1954.....	48.9	50.5	29.7	15.4	14.3	20.8	-1.6	-2.1
1955.....	63.8	58.1	34.9	18.7	16.2	23.1	5.8	5.5
1956.....	67.4	62.7	35.5	17.7	17.8	27.2	4.7	5.1
1957.....	66.1	64.6	36.1	17.0	19.0	28.5	1.6	.8
1958.....	56.6	58.6	35.5	18.0	17.4	23.1	-2.0	-2.9
1959.....	72.4	66.1	40.2	22.3	17.9	25.9	6.3	6.2
1960.....	72.4	68.2	40.7	21.1	19.6	27.5	4.2	4.0
Seasonally adjusted annual rates								
1959: Third quarter.....	68.2	67.6	41.0	22.6	18.4	26.6	0.7	0.7
Fourth quarter.....	71.8	66.2	39.6	21.3	18.3	26.6	5.6	5.5
1960: First quarter.....	78.9	68.0	40.9	21.5	19.3	27.1	10.9	10.8
Second quarter.....	74.6	69.3	40.7	21.2	19.5	28.6	5.4	5.1
Third quarter.....	70.5	68.1	40.4	21.0	19.4	27.7	2.4	2.0
Fourth quarter.....	65.6	67.4	40.7	20.5	20.2	26.7	-1.9	-2.2
1961: First quarter.....	59.8	63.8	39.6	19.3	20.4	24.2	-4.0	-4.3
Second quarter.....	68.8	66.0	41.3	20.6	20.7	24.7	2.8	2.4

¹ Revisions in series on new construction shown on p. 17 have not yet been incorporated into these series.

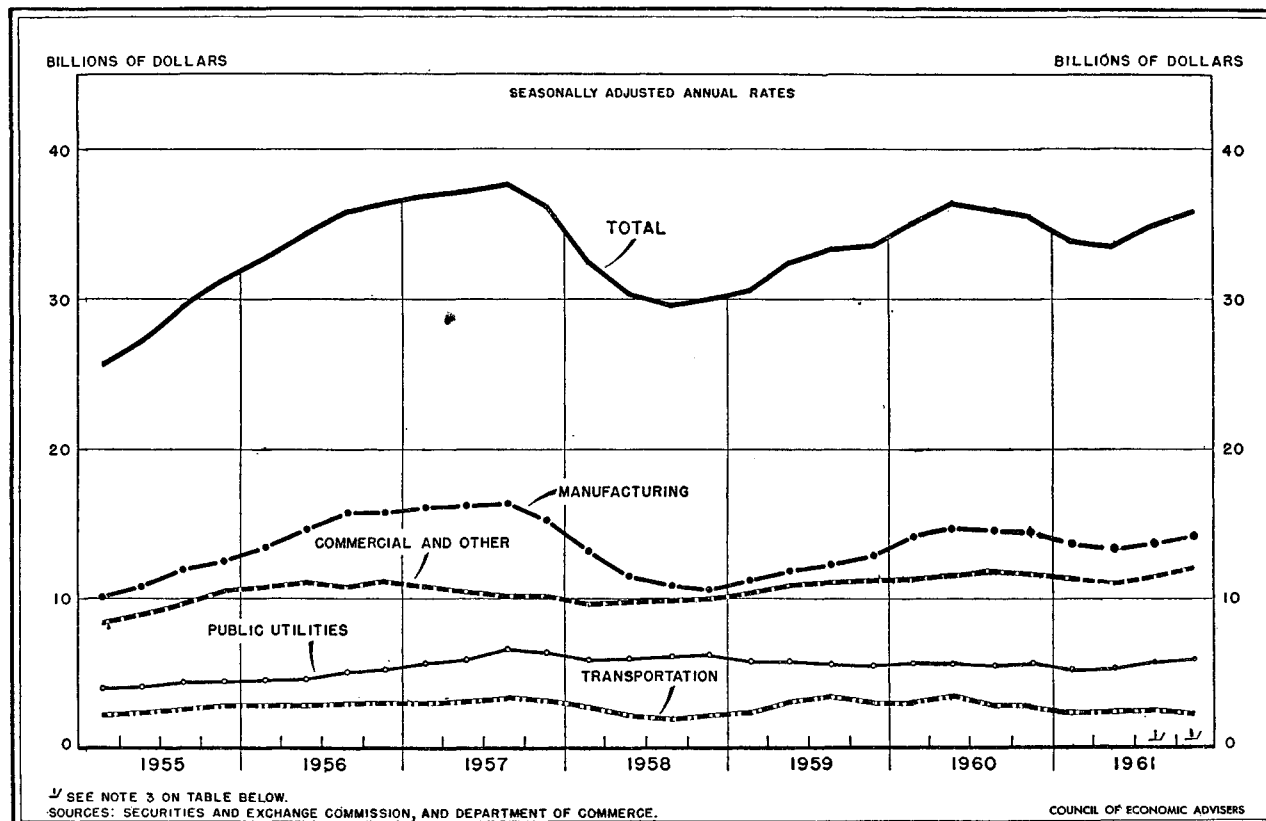
² "Other" construction in this series includes petroleum and natural gas well drilling, which are excluded from estimates on p. 17.

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

Source: Department of Commerce.

EXPENDITURES FOR NEW PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

Businessmen plan to spend \$34.8 billion (seasonally adjusted annual rate) on new plant and equipment in the third quarter of 1961 and \$35.9 billion in the fourth quarter, according to the July-August survey. In the first half of this year the spending rate was \$33.7 billion.



[Billions of dollars]

Period	Total ¹	Manufacturing			Mining	Transportation		Public utilities	Commercial and other ²
		Total	Durable goods	Nondurable goods		Railroads	Other		
1951.....	25.64	10.85	5.17	5.68	.93	1.47	1.49	3.66	7.24
1952.....	26.49	11.63	5.61	6.02	.98	1.40	1.50	3.89	7.09
1953.....	28.32	11.91	5.65	6.26	.99	1.31	1.56	4.55	8.00
1954.....	26.83	11.04	5.09	5.95	.98	.85	1.51	4.22	8.23
1955.....	28.70	11.44	5.44	6.00	.96	.92	1.60	4.31	9.47
1956.....	35.08	14.95	7.62	7.33	1.24	1.23	1.71	4.90	11.05
1957.....	36.96	15.96	8.02	7.94	1.24	1.40	1.77	6.20	10.40
1958.....	30.53	11.43	5.47	5.96	.94	.75	1.50	6.09	9.82
1959.....	32.54	12.07	5.77	6.29	.99	.92	2.02	5.67	10.88
1960.....	35.68	14.48	7.18	7.30	.99	1.03	1.94	5.68	11.57
1961 ³	34.56	13.80	6.28	7.52	.99	.63	1.88	5.75	11.52
Seasonally adjusted annual rates									
1959: Third quarter.....	33.35	12.25	5.85	6.40	1.00	1.30	2.15	5.60	11.05
Fourth quarter.....	33.60	12.85	6.15	6.70	1.05	.85	2.15	5.50	11.20
1960: First quarter.....	35.15	14.10	7.15	6.95	1.00	1.00	2.00	5.75	11.35
Second quarter.....	36.30	14.70	7.40	7.30	1.05	1.10	2.15	5.70	11.60
Third quarter.....	35.90	14.65	7.35	7.30	1.00	1.00	1.90	5.60	11.75
Fourth quarter.....	35.50	14.40	6.85	7.55	.90	1.00	1.80	5.70	11.65
1961: First quarter.....	33.85	13.75	6.50	7.25	.95	.70	1.75	5.35	11.30
Second quarter.....	33.50	13.50	6.20	7.30	1.00	.70	1.80	5.50	11.05
Third quarter ³	34.80	13.75	6.15	7.65	.95	.60	2.05	5.95	11.50
Fourth quarter ³	35.90	14.20	6.35	7.85	1.05	.50	1.90	6.05	12.20

¹ Excludes agriculture.

² Commercial and other includes trade, service, finance, communications, and construction.

³ Estimates based on anticipated capital expenditures as reported by business in late July and August 1961. Includes adjustments when necessary for systematic tendencies in anticipatory data.

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

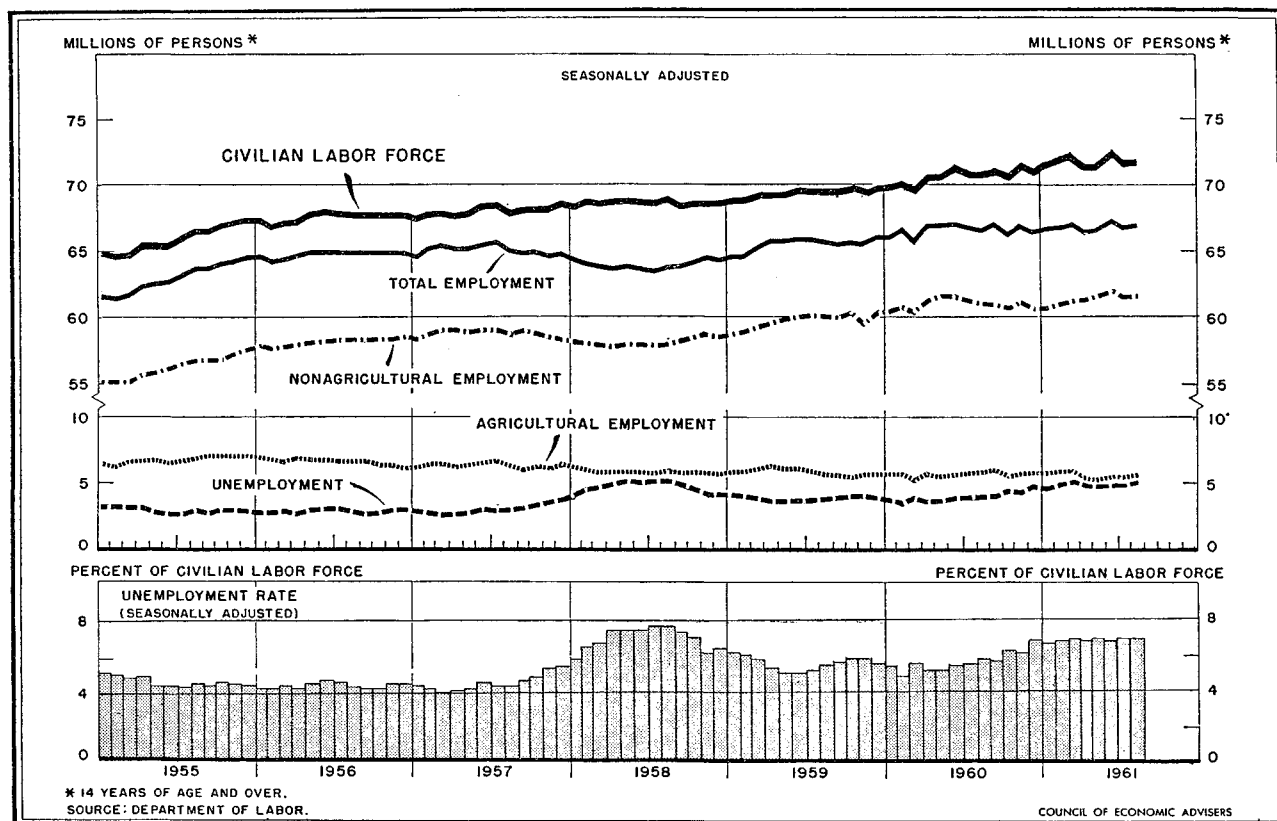
These figures do not agree with the totals included in the gross national product estimates of the Department of Commerce, principally because the latter cover agricultural investment and also certain equipment and construction outlays charged to current expense.

Sources: Securities and Exchange Commission and Department of Commerce.

EMPLOYMENT, UNEMPLOYMENT, AND WAGES

STATUS OF THE LABOR FORCE

Total employment was unchanged at 68.5 million in August. Unemployment declined by 600,000, as is usual at this time of year, and the seasonally adjusted rate of unemployment remained at 6.9 percent.



Period	Total labor force (including armed forces)	Civilian labor force	Civilian employment		Unemployment	Civilian labor force	Civilian employment			Unemployment	Unemployment rate (percent of civilian labor force)	
			Total	Non-agricultural			Total	Agricultural	Non-agricultural		Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted
Millions of persons 14 years of age and over											Percent	
1953.....	67.4	63.8	61.9	55.4	1.9	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	2.9	-----
1954.....	67.8	64.5	60.9	54.4	3.6	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	5.6	-----
1955.....	68.9	65.8	62.9	56.2	2.9	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	4.4	-----
1956.....	70.4	67.5	64.7	58.1	2.8	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	4.2	-----
1957.....	70.7	67.9	65.0	58.8	2.9	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	4.3	-----
1958.....	71.3	68.6	64.0	58.1	4.7	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	6.8	-----
1959.....	71.9	69.4	65.6	59.7	3.8	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	5.5	-----
1960.....	73.1	70.6	66.7	61.0	3.9	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	5.6	-----
Unadjusted						Seasonally adjusted ¹						
1960: July.....	75.2	72.7	68.7	61.8	4.0	70.7	66.9	5.9	61.2	3.9	5.5	5.5
August.....	74.6	72.1	68.3	61.8	3.8	70.8	66.7	5.8	61.0	4.1	5.3	5.8
September.....	73.7	71.2	67.8	61.2	3.4	71.0	67.0	6.1	61.0	4.0	4.8	5.7
October.....	73.6	71.1	67.5	61.2	3.6	70.6	66.4	5.7	60.7	4.4	5.0	6.3
November.....	73.7	71.2	67.2	61.5	4.0	71.4	67.0	5.8	61.2	4.4	5.7	6.2
December.....	73.1	70.5	66.0	61.1	4.5	71.1	66.4	5.8	60.5	4.8	6.4	6.8
1961: January.....	72.4	69.8	64.5	59.8	5.4	71.5	66.6	5.7	60.7	4.7	7.7	6.6
February.....	72.9	70.4	64.7	59.9	5.7	71.9	66.8	5.8	60.9	4.9	8.1	6.8
March.....	73.5	71.0	65.5	60.5	5.5	72.2	67.1	5.8	61.2	5.0	7.7	6.9
April.....	73.2	70.7	65.7	60.7	5.0	71.4	66.5	5.3	61.2	4.9	7.0	6.8
May.....	74.1	71.5	66.8	61.2	4.8	71.4	66.6	5.2	61.5	4.9	6.7	6.9
June.....	76.8	74.3	68.7	62.0	5.6	72.4	67.3	5.6	61.9	4.9	7.5	6.8
July.....	76.2	73.6	68.5	62.0	5.1	71.6	66.8	5.5	61.4	4.9	7.0	6.9
August.....	75.6	73.1	68.5	62.2	4.5	71.8	67.0	5.7	61.4	5.0	6.2	6.9

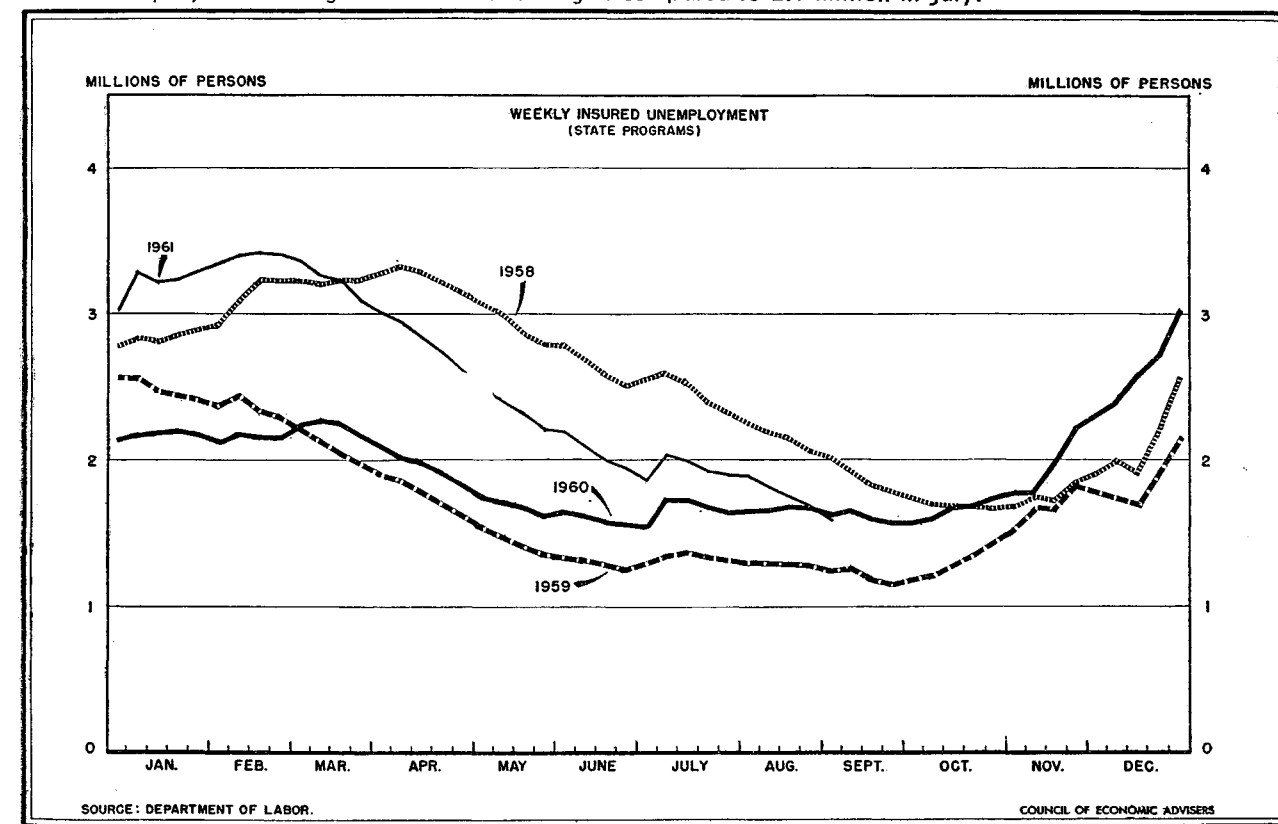
¹ Seasonally adjusted totals may differ from sum of components because totals and components have been seasonally adjusted separately.

NOTE.—For definitions and coverage, see *Employment and Earnings*, Department of Labor. Beginning January 1960, data include Alaska and Hawaii.

Source: Department of Labor.

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE PROGRAMS

Insured unemployment averaged 2.4 million in August compared to 2.7 million in July.



SOURCE: DEPARTMENT OF LABOR.

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Period		All programs			State programs						
		Covered employment	Insured unemployment (weekly average)	Total benefits paid (millions of dollars)	Insured unemployment	Initial claims	Exhaustions	Insured unemployment as percent of covered employment		Benefits paid	
								Unadjusted	Seasonally adjusted	Total (millions of dollars)	Average weekly check (dollars)
		Thousands			Weekly average, thousands			Percent			
1956.....		42, 758	1, 318	1, 540. 6	1, 212	226	20	3. 2	-----	1, 380. 7	27. 02
1957.....		43, 447	1, 567	1, 913. 0	1, 450	268	23	3. 6	-----	1, 733. 9	28. 17
1958.....		44, 501	2, 766	3, 892. 5	2, 509	370	50	6. 4	-----	3, 512. 7	30. 58
1959.....		45, 727	1, 856	2, 651. 7	1, 682	281	33	4. 4	-----	2, 279. 0	30. 41
1960.....		46, 334	2, 067	3, 022. 8	1, 906	331	31	4. 8	-----	2, 726. 8	32. 87
1960: July.....		46, 900	1, 826	198. 7	1, 686	339	29	4. 2	4. 7	183. 8	32. 37
August.....		47, 017	1, 804	229. 7	1, 657	306	28	4. 2	5. 1	206. 3	32. 99
September.....		47, 012	1, 781	230. 8	1, 598	274	27	4. 0	5. 4	201. 8	33. 54
October.....		46, 602	1, 839	214. 9	1, 678	332	29	4. 2	5. 7	189. 9	33. 73
November.....		46, 270	2, 226	258. 6	2, 039	396	31	5. 1	6. 3	231. 1	34. 01
December.....		46, 282	2, 845	332. 4	2, 639	494	36	6. 6	6. 4	300. 2	34. 18
1961: January.....		(1)	3, 515	436. 4	3, 266	541	44	8. 1	6. 1	397. 6	34. 34
February.....		(1)	3, 638	435. 5	3, 394	480	49	8. 4	6. 3	399. 3	34. 45
March.....		(1)	3, 403	500. 9	3, 168	372	53	7. 8	6. 3	461. 5	34. 37
April.....		(1)	3, 626	419. 6	2, 779	367	58	6. 8	5. 9	362. 5	34. 18
May.....		(1)	3, 290	457. 2	2, 328	297	54	5. 7	5. 6	320. 1	33. 46
June.....		(1)	2, 877	404. 0	1, 991	279	53	4. 9	5. 3	264. 4	32. 92
July.....		(1)	2, 678	322. 0	1, 958	357	50	4. 8	5. 3	224. 0	32. 91
August ²		(1)	2, 398	315. 0	1, 777	268	44	4. 4	5. 3	221. 0	32. 80
Week ended:											
1961: August 5.....		(1)	2, 531	(1)	1, 884	321	(1)	4. 6	(1)	(1)	(1)
12.....		(1)	2, 450	(1)	1, 821	279	(1)	4. 5	(1)	(1)	(1)
19.....		(1)	2, 367	(1)	1, 753	258	(1)	4. 3	(1)	(1)	(1)
26.....		(1)	2, 268	(1)	1, 670	247	(1)	4. 1	(1)	(1)	(1)
September 2 ²		(1)	2, 162	(1)	1, 587	242	(1)	3. 9	(1)	(1)	(1)
9 ²		(1)		(1)		233	(1)		(1)	(1)	(1)

¹ Not available.

² Preliminary.

³ Includes Temporary Extended Unemployment Compensation program beginning April. This program is excluded from State data.

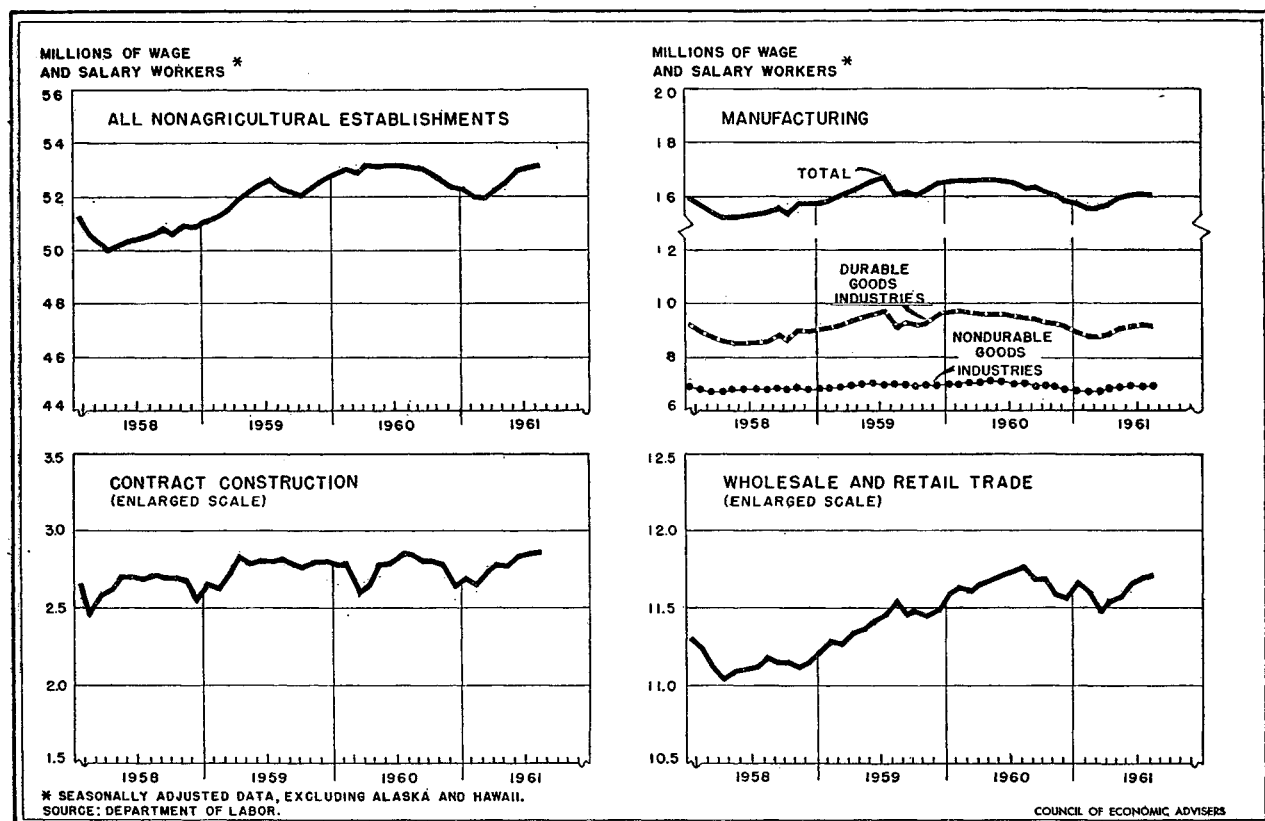
NOTE.—For definitions and coverage, see 1960 Supplement to Economic Indicators.

Data for Alaska and Hawaii included for all periods.

Source: Department of Labor.

NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT

The total number of persons on nonfarm payrolls, seasonally adjusted, increased by 50,000 in August.



[Thousands of wage and salary workers ¹]

Period	Total, unad-justed, excluding Alaska and Hawaii	Total including Alaska and Hawaii	Total excluding Alaska and Hawaii	Manufacturing (private)			Nonmanufacturing (private)			Government (Federal, State, local)
				Total	Durable goods	Nondurable goods	Total ²	Contract construction	Wholesale and retail trade	
1954-----	48,481	-----	48,431	15,995	9,122	6,873	25,685	2,593	10,520	6,751
1955-----	50,056	-----	50,056	16,563	9,549	7,014	26,579	2,759	10,846	6,914
1956-----	51,766	-----	51,766	16,903	9,835	7,068	27,586	2,929	11,221	7,277
1957-----	52,162	-----	52,162	16,782	9,821	6,961	27,754	2,808	11,302	7,626
1958-----	50,543	-----	50,543	15,468	8,743	6,725	27,182	2,648	11,141	7,893
1959-----	51,975	52,205	51,975	16,168	9,290	6,878	27,680	2,767	11,385	8,127
1960-----	52,898	53,137	52,898	16,337	9,432	6,905	28,103	2,772	11,642	8,458
Seasonally adjusted										
1960: July-----	52,923	53,407	53,145	16,417	9,452	6,965	28,324	2,858	11,736	8,404
August-----	53,062	53,304	53,046	16,265	9,338	6,927	28,307	2,835	11,764	8,474
September-----	53,496	53,242	52,998	16,275	9,391	6,884	28,184	2,800	11,665	8,539
October-----	53,391	53,047	52,809	16,132	9,266	6,866	28,153	2,804	11,668	8,524
November-----	53,133	52,825	52,591	16,030	9,190	6,840	28,030	2,783	11,568	8,531
December-----	53,310	52,453	52,221	15,790	9,030	6,760	27,843	2,647	11,541	8,588
1961: January-----	51,437	52,460	52,232	15,676	8,918	6,758	27,947	2,698	11,634	8,609
February-----	51,090	52,213	51,984	15,527	8,792	6,735	27,814	2,636	11,576	8,643
March-----	51,397	52,166	51,939	15,541	8,781	6,760	27,736	2,715	11,479	8,662
April-----	51,843	52,476	52,243	15,678	8,865	6,813	27,885	2,781	11,546	8,680
May-----	52,407	52,780	52,541	15,910	9,058	6,852	27,922	2,752	11,577	8,709
June-----	53,123	53,197	52,949	16,048	9,162	6,886	28,158	2,843	11,649	8,743
July ³ -----	52,858	53,340	53,078	16,088	9,226	6,862	28,251	2,854	11,687	8,739
August ³ -----	53,142	53,390	53,132	16,067	9,194	6,873	28,263	2,861	11,709	8,802

¹ Includes all full- and part-time wage and salary workers in nonagricultural establishments who worked during or received pay for any part of the pay period ending nearest the 15th of the month. Excludes proprietors, self-employed persons, domestic servants, and personnel of the armed forces. Total derived from this table not comparable with estimates of nonagricultural employment of the civilian labor force, shown on p. 9, which include proprietors, self-employed persons, and domestic servants; which count persons as employed when they

are not at work because of industrial disputes; and which are based on an enumeration of population, whereas the estimates in this table are based on reports from employing establishments.

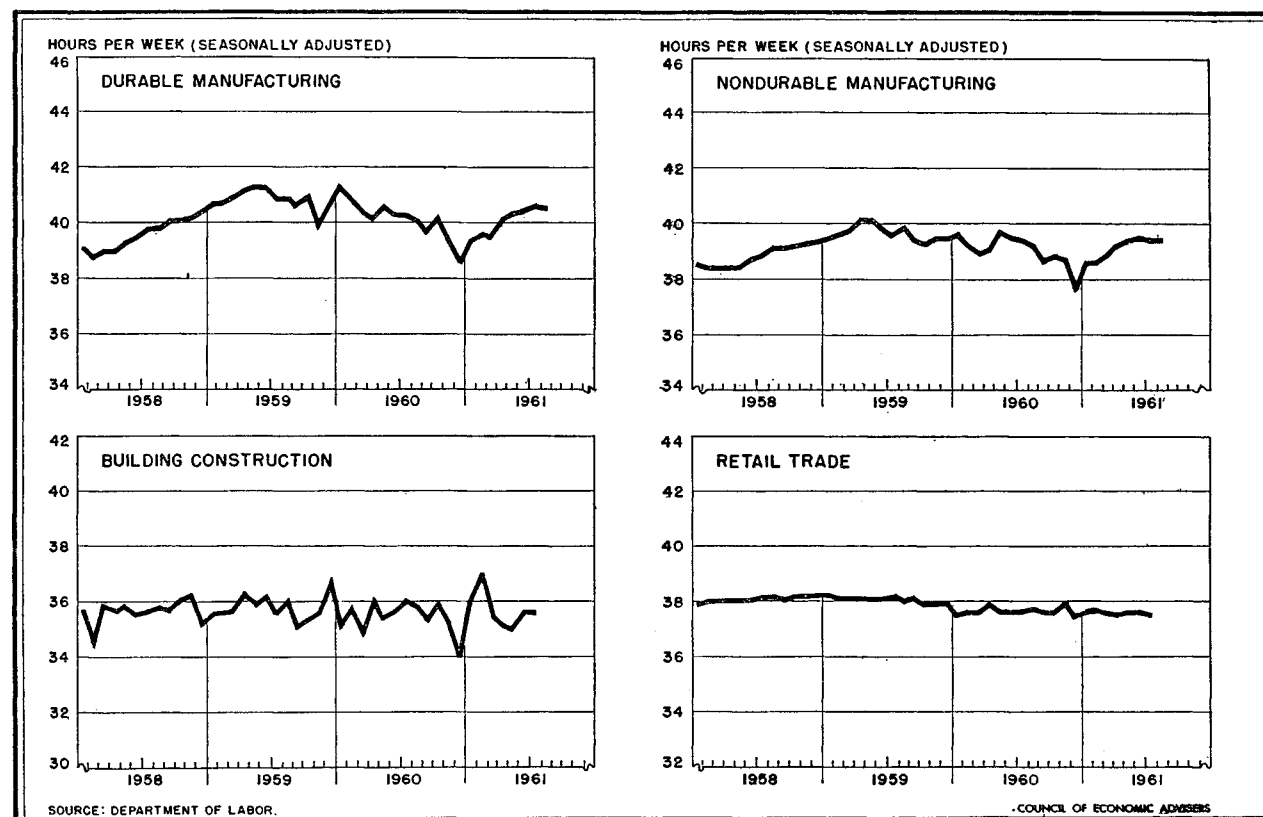
² Includes mining; transportation and public utilities; finance, insurance, and real estate; and service and miscellaneous, not shown separately.

³ Preliminary.

Source: Department of Labor

WEEKLY HOURS OF WORK

The average workweek of production workers in manufacturing industries, seasonally adjusted, declined slightly to 40.0 hours in August.



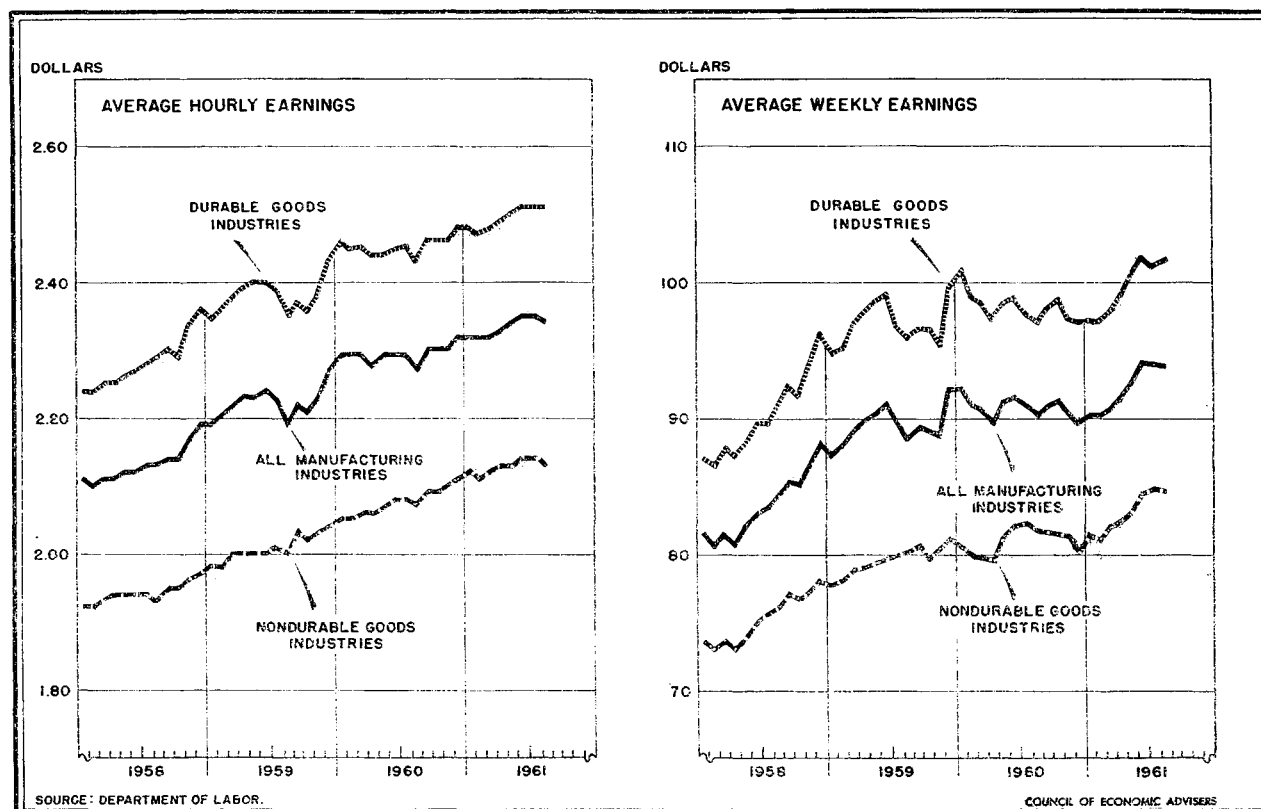
Period	Average hours per week ¹					Persons at work in nonagricultural industries by hours worked per week ²				
	Manufacturing industries			Building construction	Retail trade	Over 40 hours	35-40 hours	Under 35 hours		
	All	Durable goods	Non-durable goods					Total	Part-time for economic reasons	
									Usually full-time ³	Usually part-time ⁴
Hours per week										
1955.....	40.7	41.4	39.8	36.2	39.0	18.0	27.0	8.7	(⁵)	(⁵)
1956.....	40.4	41.1	39.5	36.4	38.6	18.7	27.3	9.4	1.1	0.9
1957.....	39.8	40.3	39.1	36.1	38.1	17.6	28.6	9.7	1.2	1.0
1958.....	39.2	39.5	38.8	35.7	38.1	16.6	28.3	10.4	1.6	1.3
1959.....	40.3	40.8	39.6	35.8	38.1	17.3	27.7	11.7	1.0	1.3
1960.....	39.7	40.1	39.1	35.5	37.7	17.7	28.7	11.5	1.2	1.3
Seasonally adjusted										
1960: July.....	39.9	40.2	39.4	36.0	37.6	17.3	28.1	9.3	1.1	1.7
August.....	39.7	40.0	39.2	35.8	37.7	17.1	29.1	8.8	1.2	1.6
September.....	39.3	39.7	38.7	35.3	37.6	18.5	29.7	10.4	1.3	1.2
October.....	39.5	40.1	38.8	35.9	37.6	18.6	29.0	11.7	1.3	1.2
November.....	39.1	39.4	38.7	35.3	37.9	17.0	24.6	18.2	1.4	1.3
December.....	38.3	38.6	37.7	34.0	37.4	18.3	29.3	11.6	1.5	1.3
1961: January.....	39.0	39.4	38.6	36.1	37.6	17.7	29.5	10.9	1.7	1.4
February.....	39.1	39.6	38.6	37.0	37.7	17.4	27.9	12.7	1.7	1.4
March.....	39.3	39.5	38.9	35.4	37.6	17.7	29.6	11.4	1.5	1.5
April.....	39.6	40.1	39.2	35.1	37.5	17.7	29.9	11.3	1.5	1.5
May.....	39.8	40.3	39.4	35.0	37.6	18.1	29.8	11.4	1.3	1.5
June.....	40.0	40.4	39.5	35.6	37.6	17.9	29.9	10.5	1.2	2.0
July ⁶	40.1	40.6	39.4	35.6	37.5	17.2	27.8	9.9	1.1	1.9
August ⁶	40.0	40.5	39.4	(⁵)	(⁵)	17.7	28.4	9.7	1.2	1.9

¹ Data relate to production workers or nonsupervisory employees.
² Differs from total nonagricultural employment (p. 9), which includes persons with jobs but not at work for such reasons as vacation, illness, bad weather, and industrial disputes. Beginning January 1960, data include Alaska and Hawaii.
³ Includes persons who worked part-time because of slack work, material shortages, or repairs, new job started, or job terminated.

⁴ Primarily includes persons who could find only part-time work.
⁵ Not available.
⁶ Preliminary.
⁷ Average hours worked: usually full-time, 23.7; usually part-time, 17.5.
Source: Department of Labor.

AVERAGE HOURLY AND WEEKLY EARNINGS - SELECTED INDUSTRIES

Average hourly earnings of production workers in manufacturing industries declined one cent to \$2.34 in August. Average weekly earnings also dropped in August but were \$3.48 higher than a year earlier.



[For production workers or nonsupervisory employees]

Period	Average hourly earnings—current prices					Average weekly earnings—current prices					Average weekly earnings, all manufacturing industries, 1960 prices ¹
	Manufacturing industries			Building construction	Retail trade	Manufacturing industries			Building construction	Retail trade	
	All	Durable goods	Non-durable goods			All	Durable goods	Non-durable goods			
1951	\$1.59	\$1.67	\$1.48	\$2.19	\$1.26	\$64.71	\$69.47	\$58.46	\$81.47	\$50.65	\$73.79
1952	1.67	1.77	1.54	2.31	1.32	67.97	73.46	60.98	88.01	52.67	75.77
1953	1.77	1.87	1.61	2.48	1.40	71.69	77.23	63.60	91.76	54.88	79.30
1954	1.81	1.92	1.66	2.60	1.45	71.86	77.18	64.74	94.12	56.70	79.14
1955	1.88	2.01	1.71	2.66	1.50	76.52	83.21	68.06	96.29	58.50	84.55
1956	1.98	2.10	1.80	2.80	1.57	79.99	86.31	71.10	101.92	60.60	87.04
1957	2.07	2.20	1.88	2.96	1.64	82.39	88.66	73.51	106.86	62.48	86.73
1958	2.13	2.28	1.94	3.10	1.70	83.50	90.06	75.27	110.67	64.77	85.55
1959	2.22	2.38	2.01	3.22	1.76	89.47	97.10	79.60	115.28	67.06	90.83
1960	2.29	2.45	2.08	3.37	1.81	90.91	98.25	81.33	119.64	68.24	90.91
1960: July	2.29	2.45	2.08	3.37	1.82	91.14	97.76	82.37	123.68	69.52	91.05
August	2.27	2.43	2.07	3.37	1.81	90.35	97.20	81.77	123.68	69.32	90.26
September	2.30	2.46	2.09	3.40	1.82	91.08	98.15	81.72	122.40	68.43	90.90
October	2.30	2.46	2.09	3.42	1.83	91.31	98.89	81.51	125.17	68.44	90.77
November	2.30	2.46	2.10	3.42	1.82	90.39	97.42	81.48	117.99	68.25	89.76
December	2.32	2.48	2.11	3.46	1.78	89.55	96.97	80.18	115.56	67.11	88.84
1961: January	2.32	2.48	2.12	3.47	1.84	90.25	97.22	81.41	123.53	69.00	89.62
February	2.32	2.47	2.11	3.48	1.84	90.25	97.07	81.02	123.19	69.00	89.53
March	2.32	2.48	2.12	3.46	1.83	90.71	97.96	82.04	120.41	68.44	89.99
April	2.33	2.49	2.13	3.47	1.85	91.57	99.35	82.43	121.45	69.01	90.84
May	2.34	2.50	2.13	3.48	1.86	92.66	100.50	83.07	123.54	69.56	92.02
June	2.35	2.51	2.14	3.48	1.87	94.24	101.91	84.53	126.32	70.69	93.40
July ²	2.35	2.51	2.14	3.48	1.88	94.00	101.15	84.74	126.32	71.63	92.79
August ²	2.34	2.51	2.13	(³)	(³)	93.83	101.66	84.56	(³)	(³)	(³)

¹ Earnings in current prices divided by the consumer price index on a 1960 base.

² Preliminary.

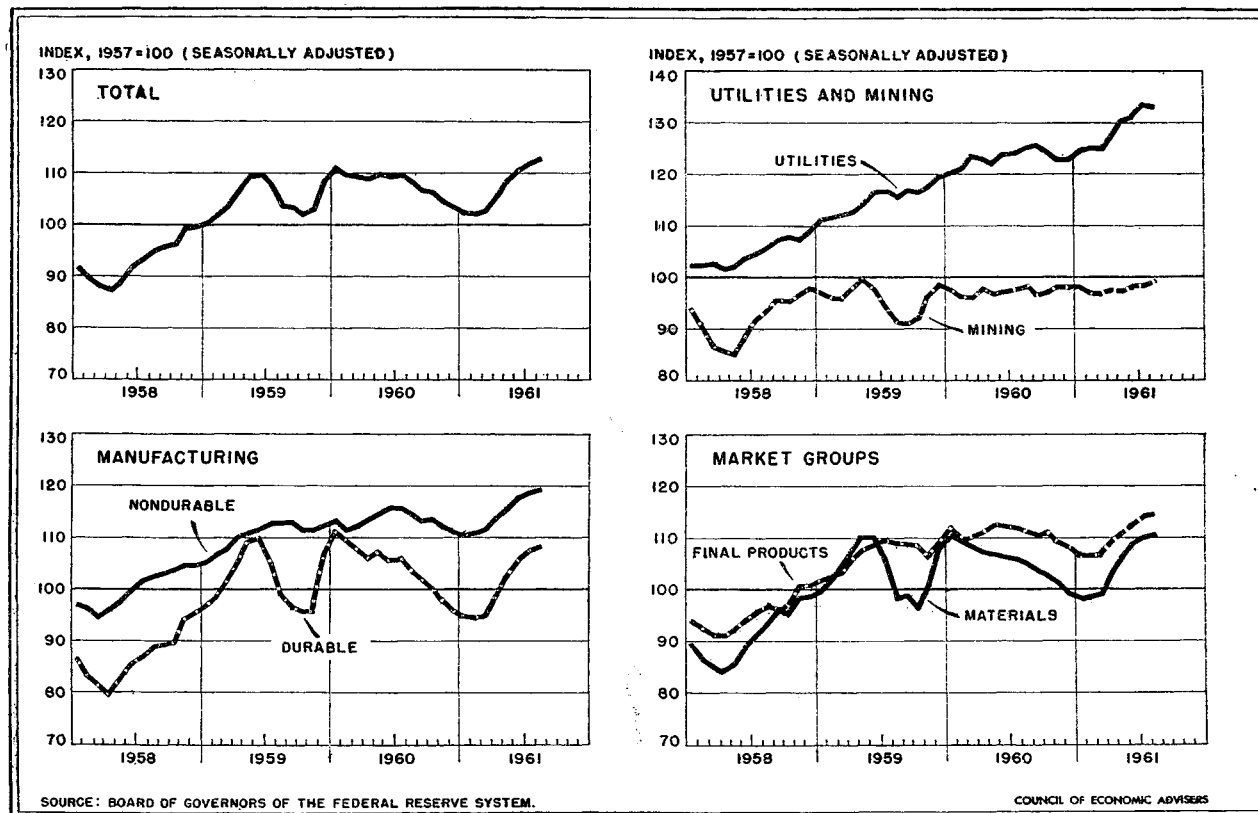
³ Not available.

Source: Department of Labor.

PRODUCTION AND BUSINESS ACTIVITY

INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION

The industrial production index (seasonally adjusted) increased 0.6 percent in August to a new peak. The rate of increase in August was somewhat less than in July.



[1957=100, seasonally adjusted]

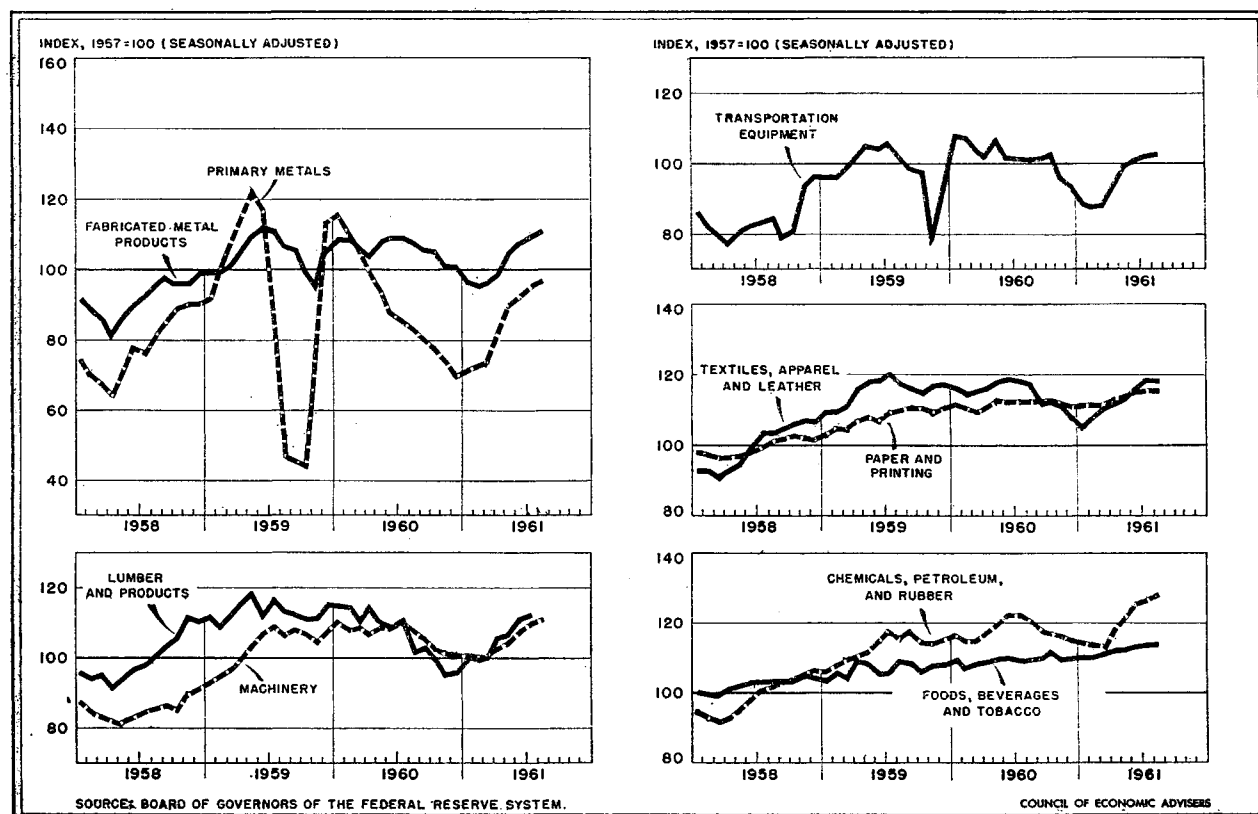
Period	Total industrial production	Industry					Market			
		Manufacturing			Mining	Utilities	Final products			Materials
		Total	Durable	Non-durable			Total	Consumer goods	Equipment	
1951	80.8	81.5	80.3	81.7	87.3	60.1	79.3	80.6	75.0	82.2
1952	83.8	84.8	85.1	83.3	86.5	65.2	85.2	82.5	90.0	82.7
1953	90.8	92.1	96.0	86.9	88.8	71.1	90.7	88.1	96.1	90.8
1954	85.4	85.8	85.0	86.9	86.2	76.5	86.5	87.2	85.0	84.4
1955	96.0	96.7	97.9	95.0	94.8	85.4	94.6	96.5	90.9	97.1
1956	99.3	99.5	100.0	98.9	100.1	93.6	98.9	98.7	99.1	99.7
1957	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1958	92.9	92.4	86.8	99.9	91.4	104.5	95.1	99.0	87.3	91.0
1959	104.9	105.3	101.5	110.3	95.3	115.0	106.5	110.0	99.5	103.5
1960	108.0	108.2	104.3	113.5	97.0	123.1	110.7	114.6	102.9	105.6
1960: July	109.5	109.9	105.6	115.6	97.4	124.1	112.0	115.9	104.3	106.2
August	108.4	108.4	103.7	114.8	98.0	125.3	111.1	115.1	103.1	105.1
September	106.8	106.7	101.9	113.1	96.3	125.6	110.3	114.0	103.0	103.7
October	106.3	106.2	100.8	113.4	96.9	124.1	110.7	114.7	102.7	102.9
November	104.6	104.1	98.0	112.2	98.0	122.8	109.1	112.9	101.7	101.1
December	103.0	102.3	95.8	111.0	97.8	122.8	108.1	111.8	100.6	98.9
1961: January	102.3	101.4	94.6	110.5	98.0	124.3	106.6	110.2	99.5	98.1
February	102.1	101.3	94.3	110.8	96.9	125.0	106.6	110.2	99.5	98.2
March	102.6	101.9	94.7	111.6	96.7	124.8	106.7	110.6	99.0	99.1
April	105.6	105.2	98.7	113.9	97.4	126.8	109.2	113.7	100.1	102.9
May	108.3	108.2	102.7	115.5	97.2	130.1	110.8	115.4	101.6	106.2
June	110.4	110.5	105.3	117.6	98.0	131.2	112.7	117.8	102.4	108.7
July	112.1	112.2	107.4	118.8	98.2	133.5	114.2	119.3	104.1	110.0
August	112.8	112.9	108.3	119.2	99.1	133.0	114.7	119.2	105.5	110.5

¹ Preliminary.

Source: Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

PRODUCTION OF SELECTED MANUFACTURES

Output of manufactures (seasonally adjusted) continued to rise in August, with durables again rising more than nondurables.



[1957=100, seasonally adjusted]

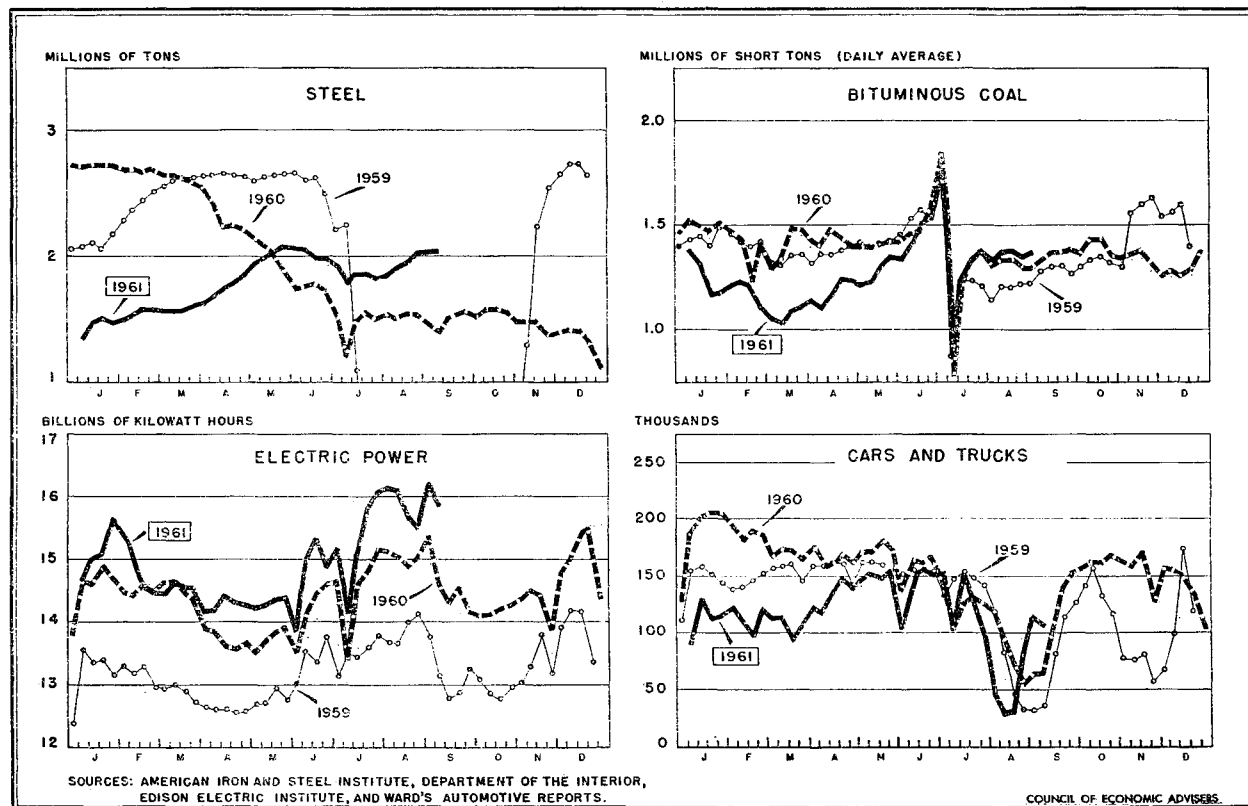
Period	Durable manufactures					Nondurable manufactures			
	Primary metals	Fabricated metal products	Machinery	Transportation equipment	Lumber and products	Textiles, apparel, and leather	Paper and printing	Chemicals, petroleum, and rubber	Foods, beverages, and tobacco
1951	96.9	90.0	79.6	59.0	102.2	90.1	81.1	71.8	88.3
1952	88.5	87.8	88.4	68.6	100.9	92.2	79.4	74.5	90.2
1953	100.3	98.8	96.4	86.2	106.7	93.6	84.5	80.2	91.2
1954	81.3	88.8	84.3	78.7	103.9	89.6	86.9	79.3	92.8
1955	105.5	96.9	92.6	95.9	114.2	98.4	94.6	91.8	96.2
1956	103.7	97.4	102.8	91.5	109.9	101.1	99.3	96.3	99.8
1957	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1958	78.0	91.6	85.2	84.2	99.7	99.2	99.2	98.8	102.1
1959	89.5	103.9	102.8	97.8	113.1	115.2	107.6	112.7	106.5
1960 ¹	90.5	106.0	106.4	101.7	106.6	115.1	111.6	117.8	109.4
1960: July	85.1	108.7	110.0	101.5	110.9	118.7	112.3	122.0	109.6
August	82.8	107.7	107.2	101.3	102.2	117.1	112.2	120.2	109.7
September	79.8	105.8	105.4	101.5	103.0	112.1	112.3	117.5	109.9
October	78.3	105.4	102.0	102.5	100.1	112.1	112.8	117.1	111.1
November	73.6	101.0	101.9	96.8	95.1	110.9	111.9	116.1	109.3
December	69.3	100.7	101.1	93.3	95.9	107.5	110.8	114.6	110.0
1961: January	71.2	96.5	101.3	88.9	100.2	105.0	111.1	114.0	110.2
February	72.6	95.7	100.8	87.6	99.2	107.4	111.4	113.4	110.1
March	73.5	96.3	100.5	88.1	99.8	110.2	111.2	113.3	111.2
April	82.0	98.6	102.9	94.0	105.7	111.8	113.1	118.0	111.9
May	89.9	104.8	104.3	99.0	106.6	113.3	113.6	121.7	112.1
June	92.3	107.3	107.3	100.6	110.6	115.7	114.9	125.1	113.1
July	95.3	109.0	109.8	102.2	112.2	118.4	115.4	126.5	113.5
August ¹	97	111	111	103	(²)	118	115	128	114

¹ Preliminary.
² Not available.

Source: Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

WEEKLY INDICATORS OF PRODUCTION

Most weekly indicators of production increased in August and early September. Auto assemblies dropped sharply in August but increased in early September with the start of the new model year.



Period	Steel produced		Electric power distributed (millions of kilowatt-hours)	Bituminous coal mined (thousands of short tons) ¹	Freight loaded (thousands of cars)	Paperboard produced (thousands of tons)	Cars and trucks assembled (thousands)		
	Thousands of net tons	Index (1957-59=100)					Total	Cars	Trucks
Weekly average:									
1956-----	2, 204	118. 3	11, 292	1, 693	728	274	132. 8	111. 6	21. 2
1957-----	2, 162	116. 0	11, 873	1, 644	683	272	138. 6	117. 6	21. 0
1958-----	1, 635	87. 8	12, 076	1, 380	581	275	98. 4	81. 6	16. 8
1959-----	1, 792	96. 2	13, 206	1, 380	596	307	129. 5	107. 6	21. 9
1960-----	1, 899	101. 9	14, 685	1, 390	585	306	151. 8	128. 7	23. 1
1960: July-----	1, 437	77. 1	14, 501	1, 277	575	267	123. 0	103. 5	19. 5
August-----	1, 544	82. 9	15, 080	1, 359	592	320	80. 6	65. 1	15. 5
September-----	1, 509	81. 0	14, 408	1, 388	582	301	117. 1	98. 3	18. 7
October-----	1, 550	83. 2	14, 172	1, 365	639	323	162. 9	145. 3	17. 6
November-----	1, 439	77. 2	14, 394	1, 371	545	301	156. 3	136. 1	20. 2
December-----	1, 321	70. 9	15, 086	1, 273	470	257	136. 7	116. 9	19. 9
1961: January-----	1, 448	77. 7	15, 098	1, 303	480	274	112. 2	93. 8	18. 4
February-----	1, 560	83. 7	14, 854	1, 207	489	303	113. 2	91. 4	21. 9
March-----	1, 600	85. 9	14, 473	1, 081	501	319	109. 9	88. 7	21. 1
April-----	1, 768	94. 9	14, 295	1, 202	527	316	135. 8	111. 7	24. 1
May-----	2, 027	108. 8	14, 223	1, 288	555	320	141. 0	118. 4	22. 6
June-----	1, 993	107. 0	15, 100	1, 432	582	333	153. 1	127. 5	25. 5
July-----	1, 831	98. 3	15, 274	1, 276	543	268	118. 8	97. 7	21. 1
August ² -----	1, 954	104. 9	15, 917	1, 391	593	334	60. 3	44. 6	15. 7
Week ended:									
1961: August 5--	1, 850	99. 3	16, 137	1, 321	589	328	45. 4	32. 5	12. 9
12--	1, 910	102. 5	16, 080	1, 370	591	332	28. 1	21. 0	7. 1
19--	1, 944	104. 4	15, 665	1, 375	595	328	29. 6	16. 9	12. 7
26--	2, 020	108. 4	15, 491	1, 349	592	342	83. 1	61. 4	21. 7
September 2--	2, 030	109. 0	16, 214	1, 368	599	338	115. 0	91. 0	24. 1
9 ² --	2, 032	109. 1	15, 838	-----	513	262	102. 4	83. 4	19. 0
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¹ Daily average.

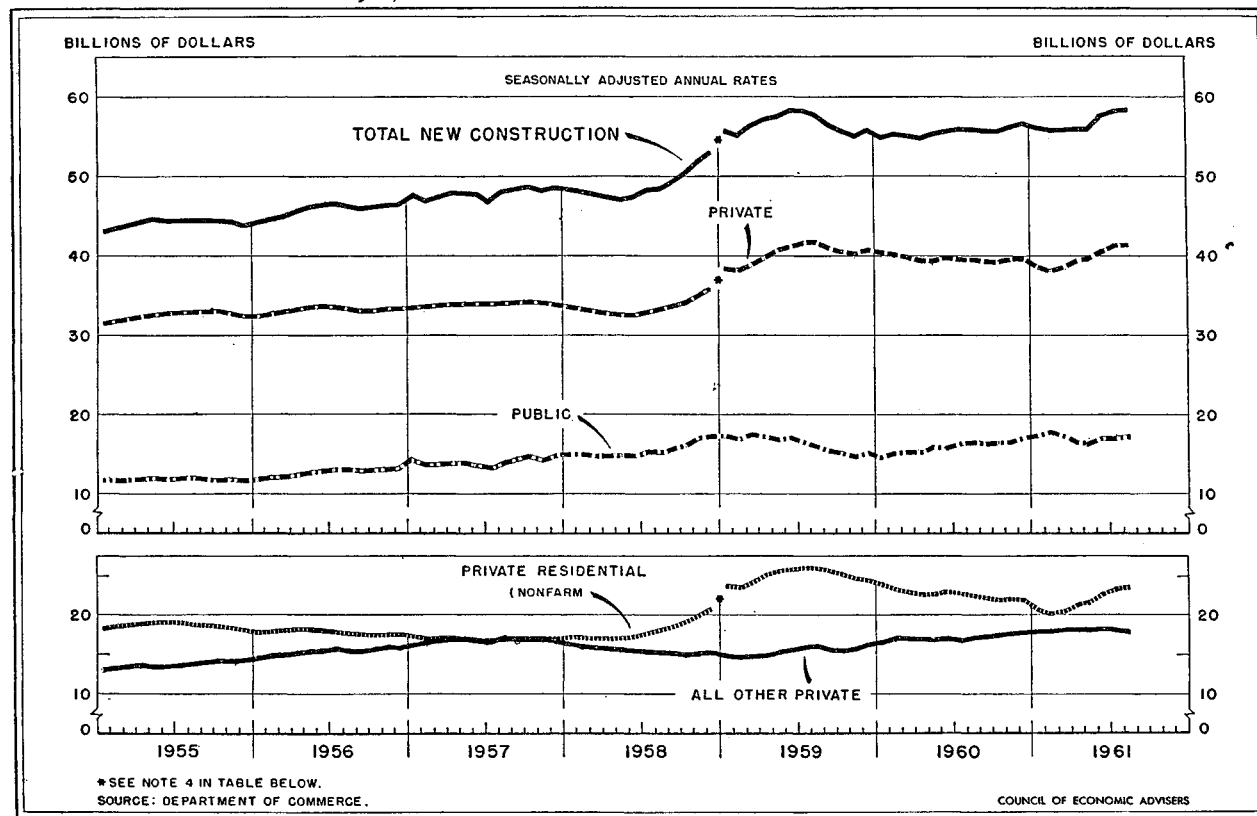
² Preliminary.

³ Not charted.

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

NEW CONSTRUCTION

Total expenditures for new construction (seasonally adjusted) increased slightly in August. Outlays for private construction were the same as in July.



Period	Total new construction expenditures	Private				Federal, State, and local	Construction contracts ¹		
		Total	Residential (nonfarm)	Commercial and industrial	Other		Total value, 48 States (index, 1947-49=100)	Commercial and industrial floor space (millions of square feet) ²	
		Billions of dollars							
1955.....	44.2	32.4	18.7	5.6	8.1	11.7	230.0	299	
1956.....	45.8	33.1	17.7	6.7	8.7	12.7	231.3	436	
1957.....	47.8	33.8	17.0	7.1	9.6	14.1	235.4	421	
1958.....	49.0	33.5	18.0	6.0	9.5	15.5	256.8	359	
1959.....	54.1	38.0	22.3	6.0	9.7	16.1	265.4	440	
1959 (new series) ³	56.6	40.3	25.0	6.0	9.3	16.2	265.4	440	
1960.....	55.6	39.6	22.5	7.0	10.0	16.0	265.7	461	
		Seasonally adjusted annual rates						Seasonally adjusted	Seasonally adjusted annual rates
1960: July.....	55.8	39.5	22.7	6.8	9.9	16.3	285	460	
August.....	55.8	39.5	22.4	6.9	10.1	16.4	276	493	
September.....	55.6	39.3	22.1	7.1	10.1	16.3	271	473	
October.....	55.6	39.2	21.8	7.3	10.1	16.4	294	483	
November.....	56.1	39.6	22.0	7.4	10.2	16.5	280	489	
December.....	56.6	39.6	21.9	7.5	10.2	17.0	302	469	
1961: January.....	56.0	38.6	20.6	7.9	10.0	17.4	273	404	
February.....	55.7	38.0	20.0	7.8	10.1	17.8	239	421	
March.....	55.8	38.5	20.5	7.7	10.3	17.3	262	454	
April.....	55.9	39.4	21.4	7.6	10.4	16.5	261	427	
May.....	55.9	39.6	21.6	7.4	10.6	16.3	257	433	
June.....	57.6	40.7	22.7	7.3	10.8	16.9	281	418	
July.....	58.2	41.3	23.3	7.2	10.8	16.9	277	423	
August ⁴	58.3	41.3	23.4	7.2	10.7	17.0			

¹ Compiled by F. W. Dodge Corporation.

² Relates to 48 States beginning 1956 and to 37 Eastern States prior to 1956. Seasonal adjustment by National Bureau of Economic Research.

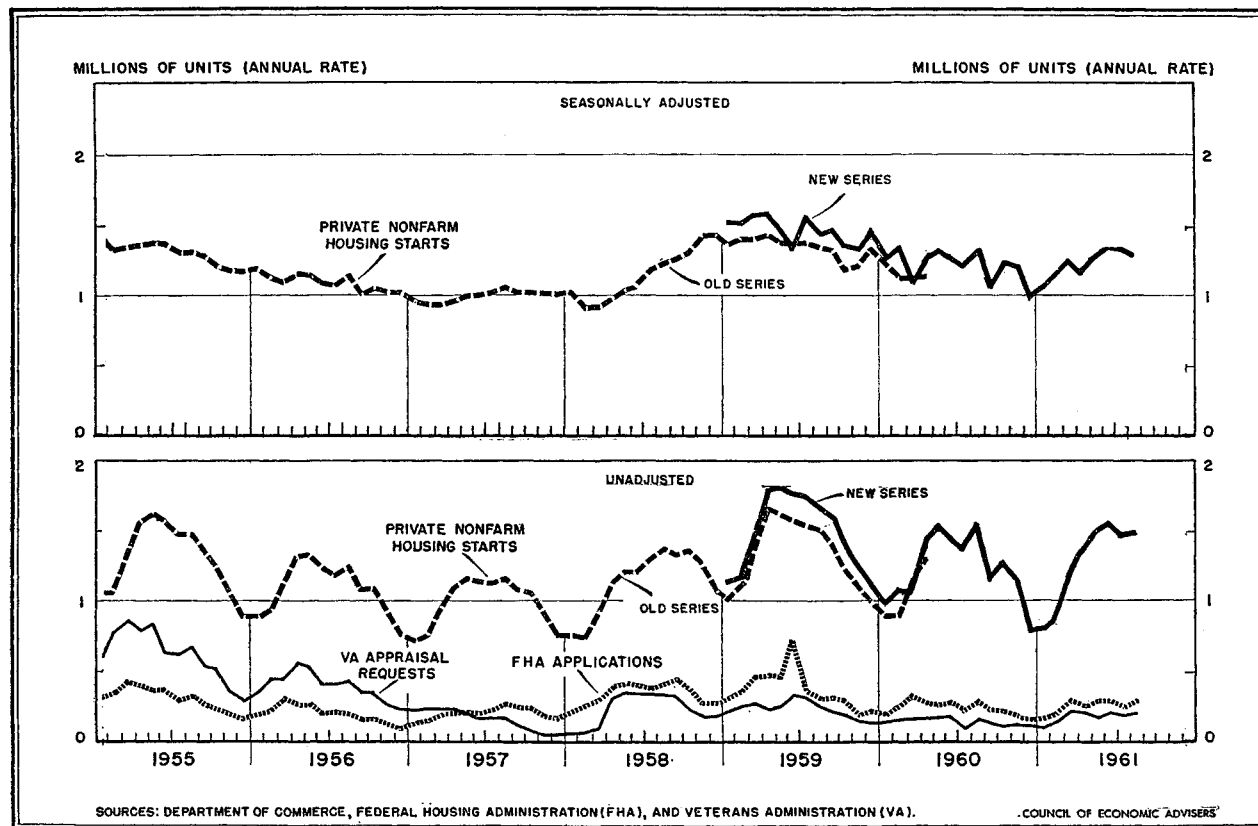
³ In addition to major differences between old and new series, data for Alaska and Hawaii are included beginning January 1959.

⁴ Preliminary.

Sources: Department of Commerce and F. W. Dodge Corporation (except as noted).

HOUSING STARTS AND APPLICATIONS FOR FINANCING

Private housing starts changed little in August and continued at an annual rate of 1.3 million (seasonally adjusted). The number of FHA applications and VA appraisal requests increased.



[Thousands of units]

Period	Total housing starts (farm and nonfarm)		Nonfarm housing starts				Private housing starts, seasonally adjusted annual rates		Proposed home construction	
	Total private and public	Private	Total private and public	Private		Total farm and nonfarm	Nonfarm	Applications for FHA commitments ¹	Requests for VA appraisals ¹	
				Total	Government programs					
										FHA
			Old series							
1954.....	(2)	(2)	1, 220. 4	1, 201. 7	276. 3	307. 0	-----	-----	338. 6	535. 4
1955.....	(2)	(2)	1, 328. 9	1, 309. 5	276. 7	392. 9	-----	-----	306. 2	620. 8
1956.....	(2)	(2)	1, 118. 1	1, 093. 9	189. 3	270. 7	-----	-----	197. 7	401. 5
1957.....	(2)	(2)	1, 041. 9	992. 8	168. 4	128. 3	-----	-----	198. 8	159. 4
1958.....	(2)	(2)	1, 209. 4	1, 141. 5	295. 4	102. 1	-----	-----	341. 7	234. 2
1959.....	(2)	(2)	1, 378. 5	1, 342. 8	332. 5	109. 3	-----	-----	369. 7	234. 0
			New series ³				New series ³			
1959.....	1, 553. 5	1, 516. 8	1, 531. 3	1, 494. 6	332. 5	109. 3	-----	-----	369. 7	234. 0
1960.....	1, 296. 0	1, 252. 1	1, 274. 0	1, 230. 1	260. 9	74. 6	-----	-----	242. 4	142. 9
1960: July.....	118. 3	114. 3	116. 6	112. 6	23. 6	7. 4	1, 227	1, 209	19. 6	8. 5
August.....	135. 1	130. 3	133. 0	128. 2	26. 3	8. 2	1, 355	1, 335	22. 9	12. 4
September.....	102. 6	96. 9	100. 6	94. 9	21. 9	6. 8	1, 089	1, 067	20. 1	11. 6
October.....	113. 2	110. 4	110. 1	107. 3	22. 6	5. 9	1, 273	1, 237	18. 3	10. 0
November.....	94. 5	92. 8	93. 5	91. 8	20. 2	5. 5	1, 220	1, 206	14. 8	10. 3
December.....	70. 9	64. 2	70. 4	63. 7	13. 8	4. 8	996	987	13. 2	10. 0
1961: January.....	72. 5	69. 8	71. 0	68. 3	14. 0	4. 9	1, 127	1, 098	14. 3	9. 4
February.....	81. 0	75. 8	77. 7	72. 5	13. 0	4. 9	1, 169	1, 115	16. 9	12. 0
March.....	109. 7	104. 6	107. 3	102. 2	20. 1	6. 4	1, 296	1, 262	24. 0	17. 7
April.....	115. 3	111. 0	113. 0	108. 7	20. 1	6. 1	1, 166	1, 143	20. 8	17. 5
May.....	130. 7	126. 6	128. 3	124. 2	23. 7	8. 0	1, 291	1, 268	23. 9	14. 7
June ⁴	138. 3	132. 4	135. 3	129. 4	22. 1	7. 8	1, 331	1, 351	23. 4	17. 6
July ⁴	127. 9	124. 7	125. 5	122. 3	21. 6	7. 3	1, 338	1, 313	20. 6	15. 1
August ⁴	129. 2	126. 1	126. 3	123. 2	25. 1	8. 4	1, 317	1, 291	24. 4	17. 4

¹ Units represented by mortgage applications for new home construction.

² Not available.

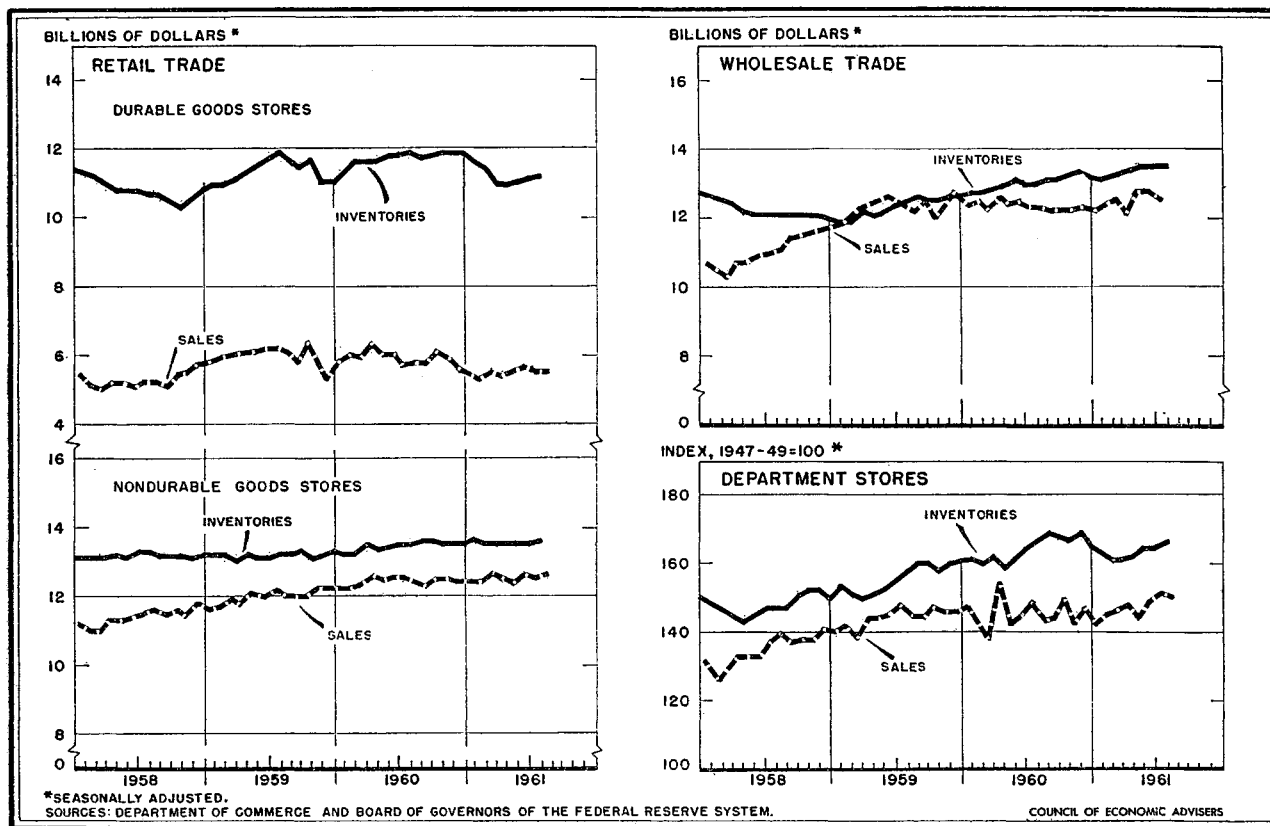
³ See *Housing Starts*, C 20-11 (Supplement), Bureau of the Census, May 1960, for description. (Data for Alaska and Hawaii included.)

⁴ Preliminary.

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

TRADE SALES AND INVENTORIES

Trade sales (seasonally adjusted) dropped in July while inventories showed little change. Retail sales were unchanged in August, according to preliminary estimates.



Period	Wholesale		Retail						Department stores	
	Sales ¹	Inven- tories ²	Sales ^{1 3}			Inventories ²			Sales ¹	Inven- tories ⁴
			Total	Durable goods stores	Non- durable goods stores	Total	Durable goods stores	Non- durable goods stores		
	Billions of dollars, seasonally adjusted								Index, 1947-49=100, seasonally adjusted ⁵	
1953.....	9.8	10.5	14.1	5.0	9.1	22.7	10.7	12.0	118	131
1954.....	9.7	10.4	14.1	4.8	9.2	22.1	10.1	12.0	118	128
1955.....	10.6	11.4	15.3	5.6	9.7	23.9	11.2	12.7	128	136
1956.....	11.3	13.0	15.8	5.5	10.3	23.9	10.7	13.2	135	148
1957.....	11.3	12.7	16.7	5.7	11.0	24.5	11.4	13.1	135	152
1958.....	11.1	12.0	16.7	5.3	11.4	24.0	10.8	13.2	136	148
1959.....	12.3	12.6	18.0	6.0	12.0	24.3	11.0	13.3	144	156
1960.....	12.3	13.2	18.3	5.9	12.4	25.4	11.9	13.5	145	165
1960: June.....	12.5	13.0	18.5	6.0	12.5	25.3	11.8	13.5	145	164
July.....	12.3	13.0	18.1	5.7	12.5	25.4	11.9	13.5	148	167
August.....	12.3	13.1	18.2	5.8	12.4	25.2	11.7	13.6	144	169
September.....	12.2	13.1	18.1	5.8	12.3	25.3	11.8	13.6	144	168
October.....	12.2	13.2	18.5	6.1	12.5	25.4	11.9	13.5	150	167
November.....	12.2	13.3	18.4	5.9	12.5	25.4	11.9	13.5	142	169
December.....	12.3	13.2	17.9	5.5	12.4	25.4	11.9	13.5	147	165
1961: January.....	12.2	13.1	17.8	5.4	12.4	25.2	11.6	13.6	142	162
February.....	12.4	13.2	17.8	5.3	12.4	24.9	11.4	13.5	145	161
March.....	12.5	13.3	18.1	5.5	12.6	24.4	11.0	13.5	146	161
April.....	12.1	13.4	17.9	5.4	12.5	24.4	10.9	13.5	148	162
May.....	12.8	13.5	18.0	5.5	12.4	24.5	11.0	13.5	144	164
June ⁶	12.8	13.5	18.2	5.6	12.6	24.6	11.1	13.5	149	164
July ⁶	12.5	13.5	18.1	5.5	12.5	24.7	11.2	13.6	151	166
August ⁶			18.1	5.5	12.6				150	

¹ Monthly average for year and total for month.

² Book value, end of period, seasonally adjusted.

³ Beginning January 1960, data include Alaska and Hawaii.

⁴ End of period, except annual data, which are monthly averages.

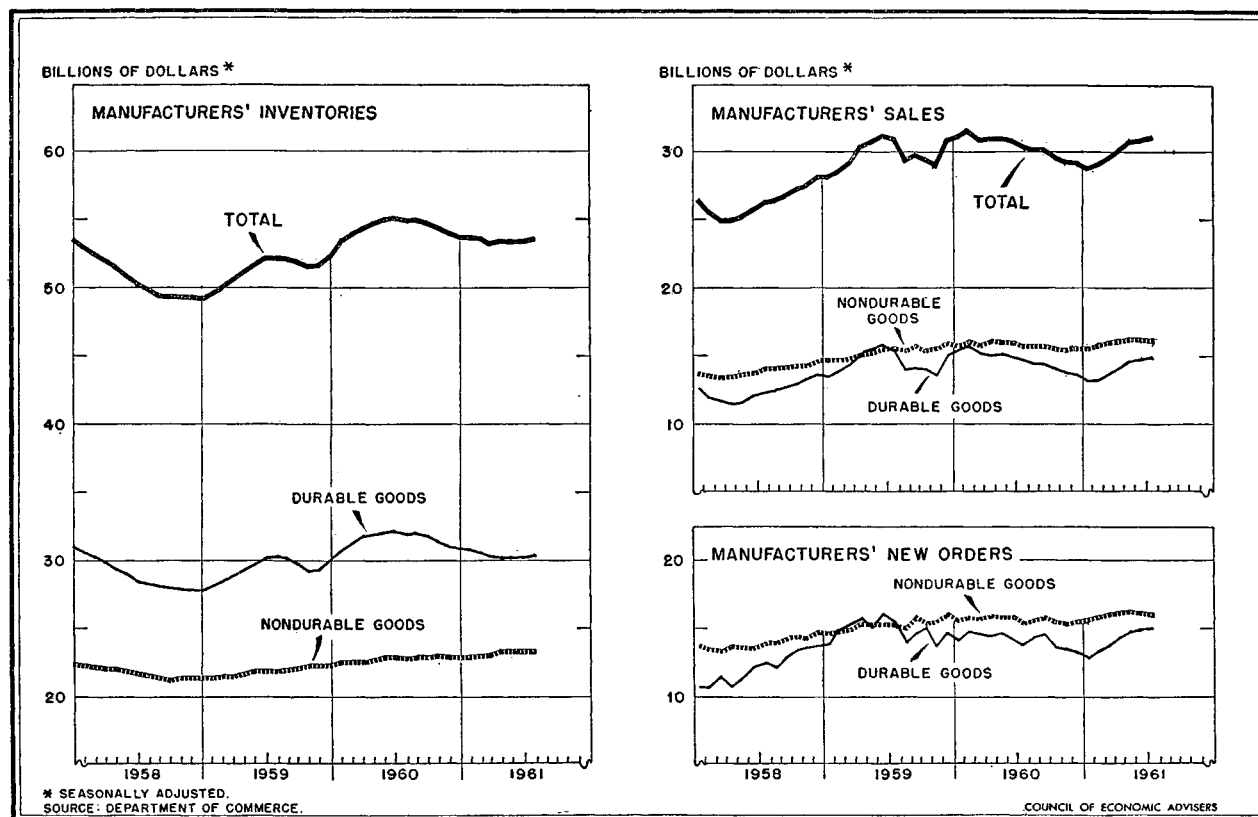
⁵ Based on retail value.

⁶ Preliminary.

Sources: Department of Commerce and Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

MANUFACTURERS' SALES, INVENTORIES, AND NEW ORDERS

Manufacturers' sales increased in July for the sixth month in a row. Inventories increased significantly for the first time in almost a year. Durable goods sales and new orders rose in August, according to preliminary estimates.



[Billions of dollars, seasonally adjusted]

Period	Manufacturers' sales ¹			Manufacturers' inventories ²			Manufacturers' new orders ¹			
	Total	Durable goods	Non-durable goods	Total	Durable goods	Non-durable goods	Total	Durable goods		Non-durable goods
								Total	Machinery and equipment	
1953.....	24.5	12.4	12.1	45.4	26.2	19.2	23.1	11.0	3.3	12.1
1954.....	23.5	11.2	12.3	43.0	24.1	18.9	22.5	10.2	3.1	12.3
1955.....	26.3	13.1	13.3	46.4	26.7	19.7	27.2	13.9	4.2	13.3
1956.....	27.7	13.8	13.9	52.3	30.7	21.6	28.3	14.4	4.7	13.9
1957.....	28.4	14.2	14.2	53.5	31.1	22.4	27.3	13.1	4.4	14.2
1958.....	26.2	12.4	13.8	49.2	27.9	21.3	25.9	12.0	3.9	13.9
1959.....	29.7	14.5	15.2	52.4	30.1	22.3	30.1	14.9	5.0	15.3
1960.....	30.4	14.7	15.7	53.7	30.9	22.9	29.9	14.3	4.9	15.7
1960: July.....	30.4	14.7	15.7	54.9	32.0	22.8	29.2	13.8	4.8	15.4
August.....	30.2	14.4	15.7	55.0	32.1	22.9	30.0	14.4	5.0	15.6
September.....	30.1	14.4	15.7	54.7	31.8	22.9	30.4	14.6	4.9	15.8
October.....	29.6	14.1	15.5	54.4	31.4	23.0	29.2	13.7	4.7	15.5
November.....	29.2	13.8	15.4	54.0	31.1	22.9	29.0	13.6	4.8	15.4
December.....	29.1	13.6	15.5	53.7	30.9	22.9	28.7	13.2	4.7	15.5
1961: January.....	28.7	13.2	15.5	53.7	30.8	22.9	28.5	12.9	4.8	15.6
February.....	29.0	13.3	15.7	53.6	30.6	23.0	29.1	13.4	4.8	15.8
March.....	29.6	13.7	15.9	53.3	30.3	23.0	29.9	13.8	5.1	16.0
April.....	30.1	14.1	16.0	53.4	30.2	23.2	30.4	14.4	5.0	16.1
May.....	30.8	14.6	16.2	53.4	30.2	23.2	31.1	14.8	5.2	16.3
June ³	30.9	14.7	16.2	53.4	30.2	23.2	31.1	14.9	5.3	16.2
July ³	31.1	14.8	16.2	53.6	30.4	23.2	31.2	15.0	5.2	16.1
August ^{3, 4}		14.9						15.3	5.5	

¹ Monthly average for year and total for month.

² Book value, end of period, seasonally adjusted.

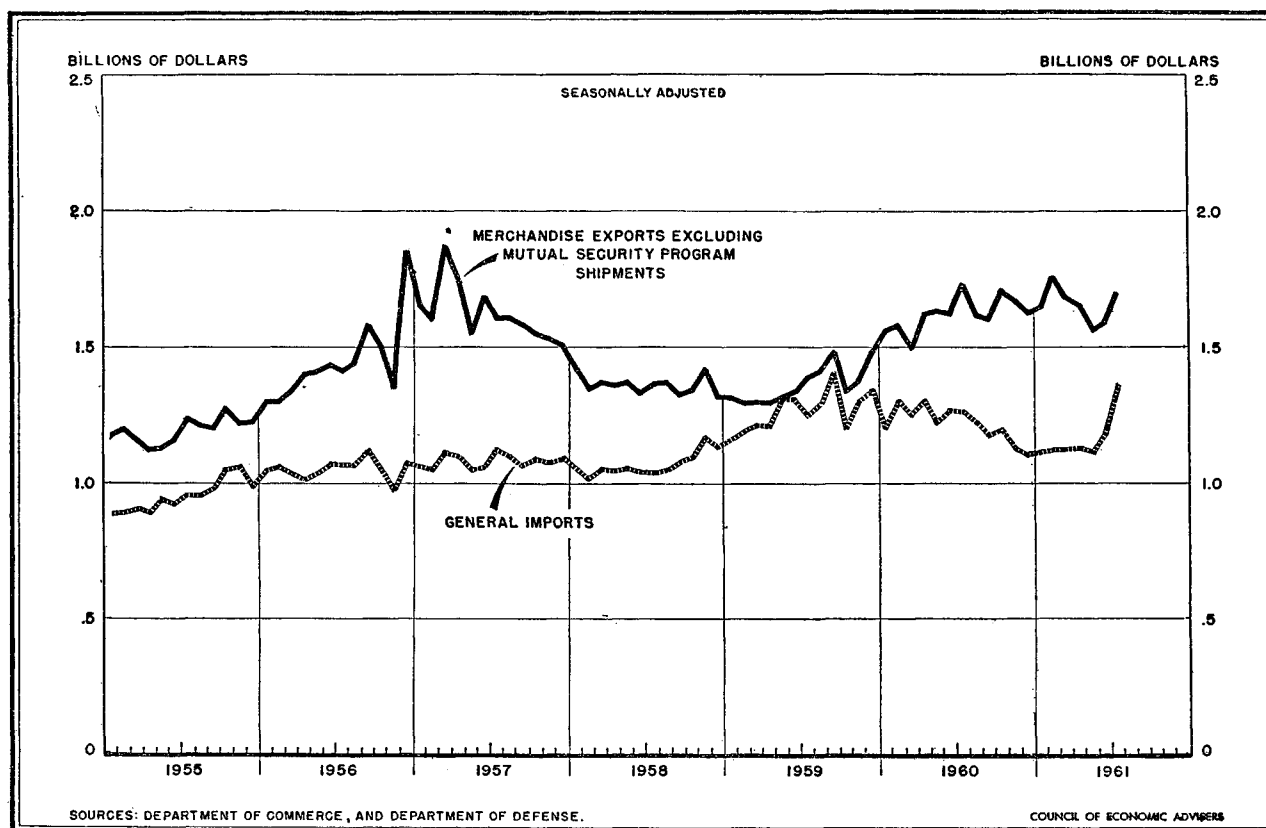
³ Preliminary.

⁴ Not charted.

Source: Department of Commerce.

MERCHANDISE EXPORTS AND IMPORTS

The merchandise trade surplus (seasonally adjusted) decreased again in July.



[Millions of dollars]

Period	Merchandise exports excluding Mutual Security Program shipments						Merchandise imports					
	Total (including reexports) ¹		Domestic exports				General imports ²		Imports for consumption ³			
	Seasonally adjusted	Unadjusted	Total ¹	Foodstuffs	Industrial materials	Finished manufactures ¹	Seasonally adjusted	Unadjusted	Total	Foodstuffs	Industrial materials	Finished manufactures
Monthly average:												
1951.....		1,164	1,151	190	345	616		914	901	258	485	158
1952.....		1,100	1,088	175	300	612		893	896	263	459	174
1953.....		1,022	1,012	143	254	614		906	898	274	441	183
1954.....		1,071	1,060	131	310	620		851	853	276	394	183
1955.....		1,191	1,180	162	351	667		949	945	260	468	217
1956.....		1,444	1,432	216	441	775		1,051	1,043	267	508	268
1957.....		1,625	1,610	208	529	872		1,082	1,079	274	511	294
1958.....		1,364	1,350	198	368	784		1,070	1,062	287	450	325
1959.....		1,366	1,351	210	365	776		1,267	1,249	285	534	431
1960.....		1,629	1,613	230	509	874		1,221	1,221	274	509	438
1960: June.....	1,626	1,637	1,621	221	525	876	1,265	1,307	1,289	288	551	450
July.....	1,736	1,629	1,612	210	510	892	1,258	1,150	1,140	257	466	417
August.....	1,622	1,547	1,529	218	501	810	1,228	1,229	1,246	280	539	427
September.....	1,610	1,557	1,541	242	476	822	1,177	1,160	1,159	269	478	412
October.....	1,707	1,690	1,676	246	524	905	1,196	1,157	1,157	268	463	425
November.....	1,677	1,724	1,710	247	569	894	1,128	1,161	1,176	280	465	431
December.....	1,621	1,743	1,724	250	580	894	1,100	1,157	1,151	265	474	412
1961: January.....	1,649	1,539	1,511	222	494	795	1,119	1,124	1,112	260	470	382
February.....	1,764	1,606	1,594	245	492	856	1,122	1,046	1,037	250	438	348
March.....	1,687	1,889	1,859	283	525	1,051	1,127	1,230	1,235	311	502	422
April.....	1,655	1,647	1,629	242	454	933	1,129	1,042	1,046	251	428	367
May.....	1,554	1,671	1,653	262	474	917	1,117	1,194	1,188	264	497	427
June.....	1,591	1,644	1,623	239	457	927	1,181	1,220	1,189	287	492	410
July.....	1,707	1,558	1,539	231	446	862	1,371	1,268	1,241	275	511	455

¹ Total exports less Department of Defense shipments of grant-aid military supplies and equipment under the Mutual Security Program.

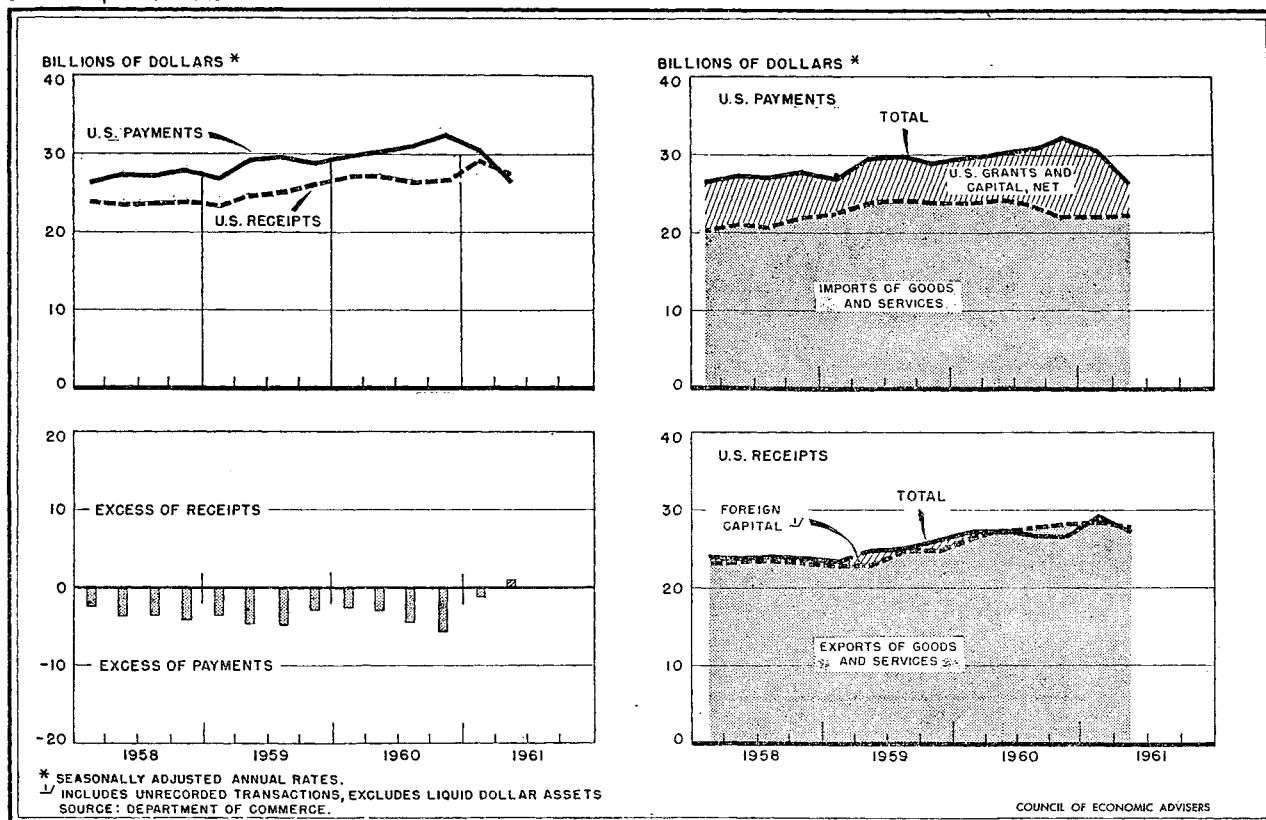
² Imports for immediate consumption plus entries into bonded warehouses.

³ Imports for immediate consumption plus withdrawals for consumption from bonded warehouses.

Sources: Department of Commerce and Department of Defense.

U.S. BALANCE OF PAYMENTS

Despite a sharp drop in exports and a slight rise in imports, net international payments in the second quarter fell by a further \$2.4 billion (seasonally adjusted annual rate) and the United States ran an over-all balance of payments surplus for the first time since 1957. However, special debt repayments on U.S. Government loans more than accounted for the improvement.



[Millions of dollars]

Period	U.S. receipts (recorded)		U.S. payments (recorded)						Balance on recorded transactions [net payments (-) or receipts (+)]	Unrecorded transactions—errors and omissions (net receipts)	Increase in foreign gold and recorded liquid dollar assets through transactions with the U.S.
	Exports of goods and services	Foreign capital other than liquid dollar assets (net)	Imports of goods and services	U.S. grants and capital (net)							
				Total ¹	U.S. Government grants and capital	Private capital					
						Total	Direct				
1953.....	17,081	156	16,644	3,041	2,055	369	721	-2,448	296	2,152	
1954.....	17,949	210	16,088	3,788	1,554	1,619	664	-1,717	167	1,550	
1955.....	20,003	351	17,937	4,007	2,211	1,211	779	-1,590	446	1,144	
1956.....	23,705	576	19,829	6,017	2,362	2,990	1,859	-1,565	643	922	
1957.....	26,733	428	20,923	6,451	2,574	3,175	2,058	-213	748	-535	
1958.....	23,325	-27	21,053	6,153	2,587	2,844	1,094	-3,908	380	3,528	
1959.....	23,709	709	23,537	² 5,152	² 1,986	2,375	1,372	-4,271	528	3,743	
1960.....	27,300	200	23,327	7,454	2,750	3,856	1,694	-3,281	-648	3,929	
Seasonally adjusted annual rates											
1960: First quarter.....	26,260	724	23,700	5,896	2,328	2,776	1,376	-2,612	132	2,480	
Second quarter.....	27,312	372	24,096	6,072	2,780	2,440	1,040	-2,484	-568	3,052	
Third quarter.....	27,416	68	23,496	7,588	2,420	4,340	1,624	-3,600	-848	4,448	
Fourth quarter.....	28,212	-364	22,016	10,260	³ 3,472	⁴ 5,868	⁴ 2,736	^{3,4} -4,428	-1,308	^{3,4} 5,736	
1961: First quarter.....	28,456	796	22,084	8,472	3,476	4,156	2,048	-1,304	-100	1,404	
Second quarter.....	27,548	992	22,164	4,196	96	3,216	1,412	2,180	-1,184	⁵ -996	

¹ Includes remittances and pensions not shown separately.

² Excludes \$1,375 million increase in U.S. subscription to International Monetary Fund.

³ Includes U.S. subscription to International Development Association of \$74 million (\$296 million at annual rate).

⁴ Includes single direct investment transaction of \$370 million (\$1,480 million at annual rate).

⁵ Includes special debt repayment on U.S. Government loans of \$650 million (\$2.6 billion at annual rate).

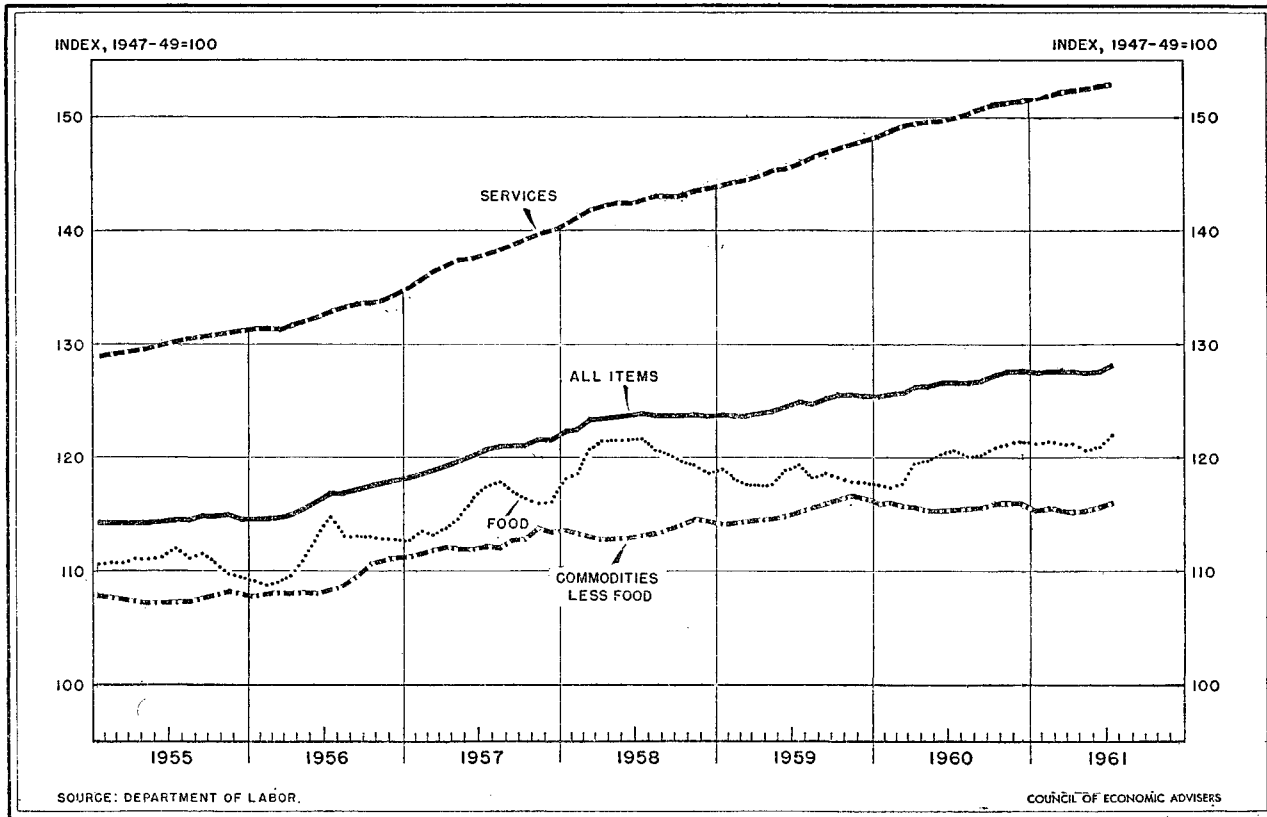
NOTE.—Data exclude goods and services transferred under military grants.

Source: Department of Commerce.

PRICES

CONSUMER PRICES

The consumer price index rose 0.4 percent in July. Seasonally higher prices for food accounted for a major part of the advance, but prices for commodities other than food and services also rose.



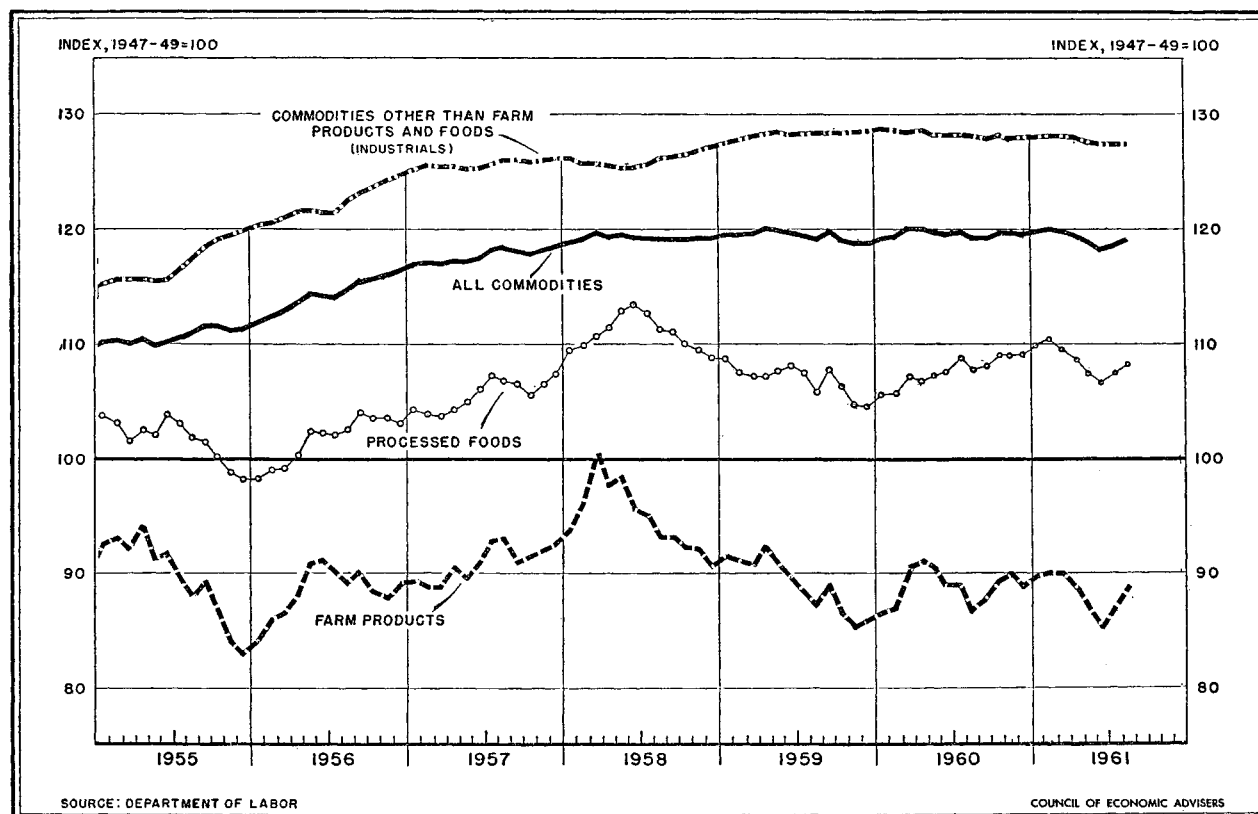
[1947-49=100]

Period	All items	Commodities					Services		
		All commodities	Food	Commodities less food			All services	Rent	Services less rent
				All	Durable	Non-durable			
1950.....	102.8	101.2	101.2	101.3	104.4	100.9	108.5	108.8	108.1
1951.....	111.0	110.3	112.6	108.9	112.4	108.5	114.1	113.1	114.6
1952.....	113.5	111.7	114.6	109.8	113.8	109.1	119.3	117.9	120.1
1953.....	114.4	111.3	112.8	110.0	112.6	110.1	124.2	124.1	124.6
1954.....	114.8	110.2	112.6	108.6	108.3	110.6	127.5	128.5	127.7
1955.....	114.5	109.0	110.9	107.5	105.1	110.6	129.8	130.3	130.1
1956.....	116.2	110.1	111.7	108.9	105.1	113.0	132.6	132.7	133.0
1957.....	120.2	113.6	115.4	112.3	108.8	116.1	137.7	135.2	138.6
1958.....	123.5	116.3	120.3	113.4	110.5	116.9	142.4	137.7	143.8
1959.....	124.6	116.6	118.3	115.1	113.0	118.3	145.8	139.7	147.5
1960.....	126.5	117.5	119.7	115.7	111.6	120.1	150.0	141.8	152.1
1960: June.....	126.5	117.6	120.3	115.3	111.5	119.6	149.7	141.6	151.8
July.....	126.6	117.7	120.6	115.4	111.1	119.9	150.0	141.8	152.1
August.....	126.6	117.6	120.1	115.5	111.0	120.1	150.3	141.9	152.5
September.....	126.8	117.7	120.2	115.6	110.0	120.9	150.8	142.1	153.0
October.....	127.3	118.2	120.9	115.9	110.9	120.9	151.2	142.5	153.4
November.....	127.4	118.3	121.1	115.9	110.7	121.1	151.3	142.7	153.6
December.....	127.5	118.4	121.4	115.9	110.8	121.0	151.4	142.8	153.6
1961: January.....	127.4	118.0	121.3	115.4	110.2	120.5	151.7	142.9	154.0
February.....	127.5	118.1	121.4	115.5	110.3	120.6	151.9	143.1	154.2
March.....	127.5	118.0	121.2	115.4	109.9	120.7	152.2	143.1	154.6
April.....	127.5	117.9	121.2	115.2	110.7	120.0	152.3	143.3	154.7
May.....	127.4	117.7	120.7	115.3	110.8	120.0	152.5	143.4	154.9
June.....	127.6	118.0	120.9	115.6	111.2	120.3	152.7	143.5	155.0
July.....	128.1	118.7	122.0	116.0	111.5	120.6	152.8	143.6	155.2

Source: Department of Labor.

WHOLESALE PRICES

Wholesale prices increased in August, mainly reflecting seasonal advances in the prices of farm products and processed foods.



[1947-49=100]

Period	All commodities	Farm products	Processed foods	Commodities other than farm products and foods (industrials)					
				All industrials ¹	Industrial crude materials	Industrial intermediate materials ²	Producer finished goods	Consumer finished goods excluding food	
								Durable	Non-durable
1953.....	110.1	97.0	104.6	114.0	108.5	116.2	123.1	113.8	106.9
1954.....	110.3	95.6	105.3	114.5	103.3	116.7	124.7	114.7	107.2
1955.....	110.7	89.6	101.7	117.0	113.4	120.1	128.5	115.9	107.8
1956.....	114.3	88.4	101.7	122.2	120.0	126.0	138.1	119.7	109.9
1957.....	117.6	90.9	105.6	125.6	118.3	129.3	146.7	123.3	112.4
1958.....	119.2	94.9	110.9	126.0	113.7	129.1	150.3	125.0	111.7
1959.....	119.5	89.1	107.0	128.2	120.0	131.2	153.2	126.5	113.4
1960.....	119.6	88.8	107.7	128.3	115.3	131.7	153.5	126.0	114.1
1960: July.....	119.7	88.9	108.9	128.2	114.8	131.7	153.6	126.3	114.1
August.....	119.2	86.6	107.8	128.2	114.4	131.6	153.7	126.2	114.6
September.....	119.2	87.7	108.1	127.9	114.2	131.5	152.5	123.6	114.8
October.....	119.6	89.5	109.0	128.0	112.7	131.3	153.4	125.7	114.8
November.....	119.6	89.9	109.1	127.9	111.8	131.0	153.6	125.8	114.7
December.....	119.5	88.7	109.2	127.9	111.0	130.9	153.8	125.8	114.7
1961: January.....	119.9	89.7	109.9	128.1	111.3	130.8	154.0	125.8	114.9
February.....	120.0	90.0	110.5	128.1	112.1	130.7	153.9	125.6	115.2
March.....	119.9	89.9	109.6	128.2	113.3	130.7	153.8	125.5	115.0
April.....	119.4	88.5	108.7	128.0	113.3	130.6	153.7	125.5	114.2
May.....	118.7	86.8	107.5	127.6	113.3	129.9	153.7	125.5	113.5
June.....	118.2	85.1	106.7	127.4	113.6	129.8	153.9	125.6	113.8
July.....	118.6	87.1	107.5	127.4	114.4	129.6	153.8	125.6	113.9
August.....	119.0	88.8	108.2	127.4	115.8	129.6	153.7	125.6	114.1
Week ended: ⁴									
1961: September 5.....	118.7	86.9	108.2	127.4	(3)	(3)	(3)	(3)	(3)
12.....	118.7	87.4	107.9	127.3	(3)	(3)	(3)	(3)	(3)

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

² Excludes intermediate materials for food manufacturing and manufactured animal feeds; includes, in part, grain products for further processing.

³ Not available.

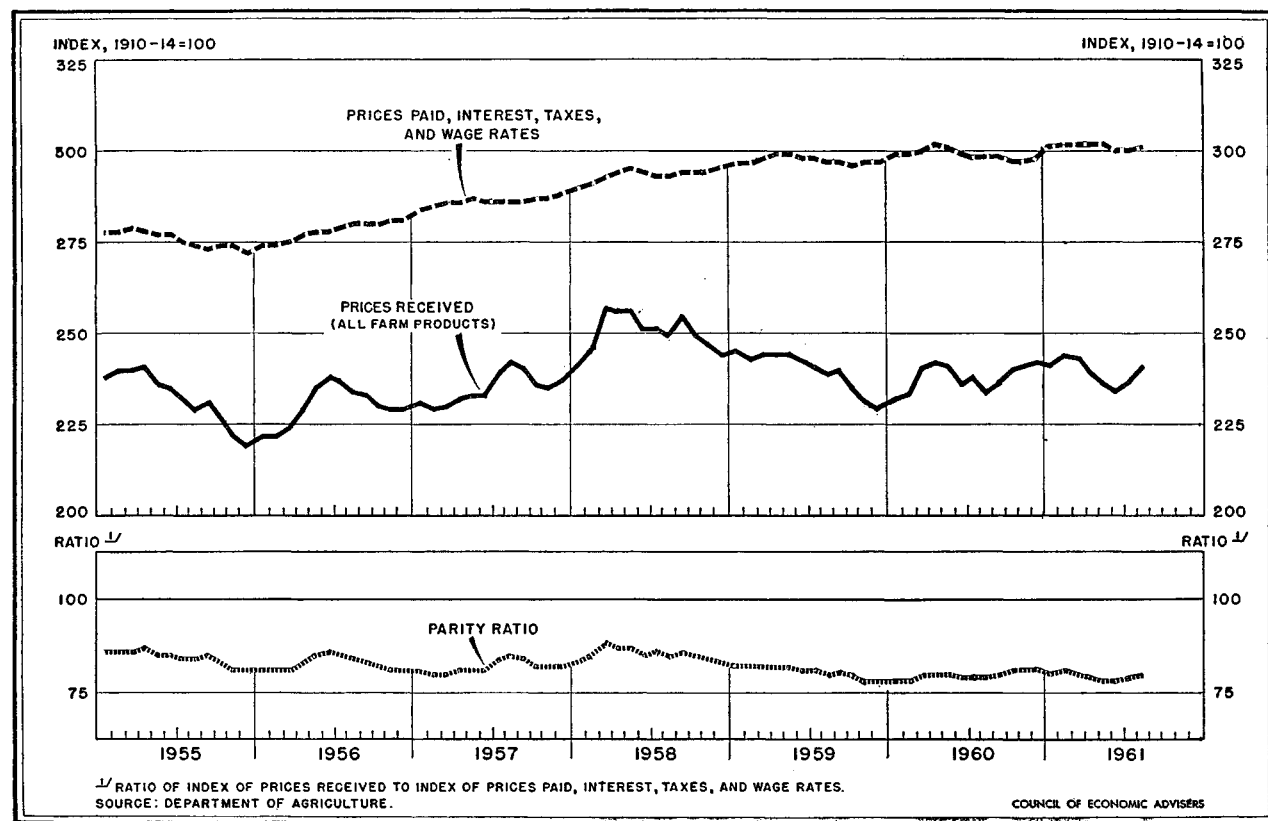
⁴ Weekly series based on smaller sample than monthly series.

NOTE.—Series revised beginning January 1961 to incorporate 1955 weights.

Source: Department of Labor.

PRICES RECEIVED AND PAID BY FARMERS

The index of prices received by farmers rose about 2 percent in the month ended August 15. Prices paid also rose but at a slower rate than prices received. As a result the parity ratio advanced one point.



Period	Prices received by farmers			Prices paid by farmers			Parity ratio ¹
	All farm products	Crops	Livestock and products	All items, interest, taxes, and wage rates (parity index)	Family living items	Production items	
	Index, 1910-14=100						
1951.....	302	265	336	282	268	273	107
1952.....	288	267	306	287	271	274	100
1953.....	255	240	268	277	269	256	92
1954.....	246	242	249	277	270	255	89
1955.....	232	231	234	276	270	251	84
1956.....	230	235	226	278	274	250	83
1957.....	235	225	244	286	282	257	82
1958.....	250	223	273	293	287	264	85
1959.....	240	221	256	297	288	266	81
1960.....	238	221	253	299	290	265	80
1960: July 15.....	236	222	249	298	290	263	79
August 15.....	234	219	247	298	290	262	79
September 15.....	238	222	251	298	290	263	80
October 15.....	241	222	257	297	290	262	81
November 15.....	241	219	260	297	291	262	81
December 15.....	242	217	263	298	291	265	81
1961: January 15.....	241	218	261	301	291	267	80
February 15.....	244	221	263	302	291	267	81
March 15.....	243	224	259	302	290	269	80
April 15.....	239	226	251	302	290	267	79
May 15.....	236	230	241	302	291	266	78
June 15.....	234	231	236	300	290	265	78
July 15.....	237	232	241	300	290	264	79
August 15.....	241	229	251	301	290	265	80

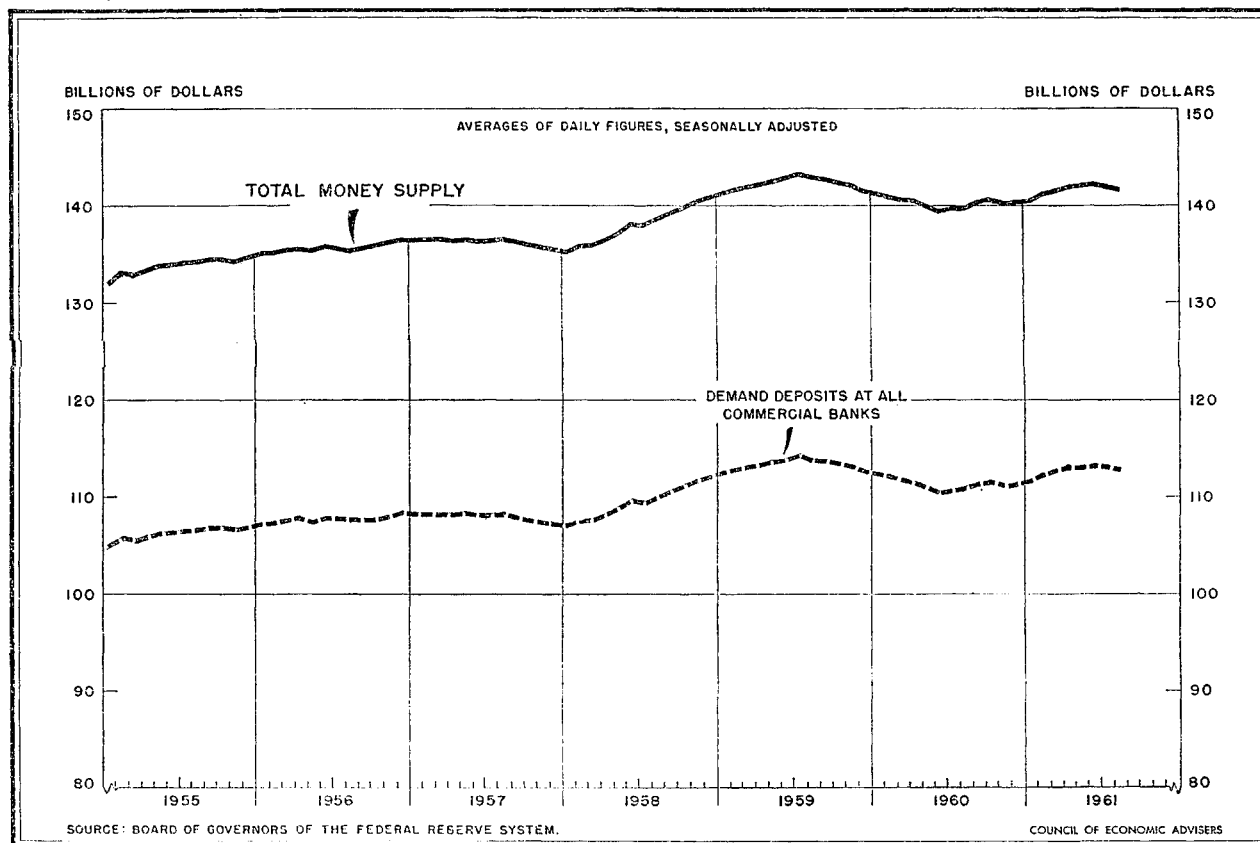
¹Percentage ratio of index of prices received by farmers to index of prices paid, interest, taxes, and wage rates.

Source: Department of Agriculture.

MONEY, CREDIT, AND SECURITY MARKETS

MONEY SUPPLY

The money supply changed little in August, which is the normal seasonal pattern.



[Averages of daily figures, billions of dollars]

Period	Money supply						Related deposits (unadjusted) ¹	
	Seasonally adjusted			Unadjusted			Gross time	U.S. Government demand
	Total	Currency outside banks	Demand deposits ¹	Total	Currency outside banks	Demand deposits ¹		
1953: December.....	128.1	27.7	100.4	131.4	28.2	103.3	44.7	3.8
1954: December.....	131.8	27.4	104.4	135.0	27.9	107.1	48.5	5.0
1955: December.....	134.6	27.8	106.8	137.9	28.3	109.6	50.0	3.4
1956: December.....	136.5	28.2	108.3	139.7	28.7	111.0	51.8	3.4
1957: December.....	135.5	28.3	107.2	138.8	28.9	109.9	57.1	3.5
1958: December.....	140.8	28.6	112.2	144.3	29.2	115.1	65.1	3.9
1959: December.....	141.5	28.9	112.6	144.9	29.5	115.5	67.0	4.9
1960: December.....	140.4	29.0	111.4	143.8	29.5	114.3	72.5	4.7
1960: July.....	139.6	28.9	110.7	138.7	29.1	109.6	69.5	6.7
August.....	139.7	28.9	110.8	138.9	29.0	109.8	70.3	6.1
September.....	140.4	29.0	111.5	139.7	29.1	110.7	71.2	5.4
October.....	140.6	29.0	111.6	140.6	29.1	111.5	71.8	5.7
November.....	140.2	29.0	111.2	141.4	29.2	112.2	72.0	5.8
December.....	140.4	29.0	111.4	143.8	29.5	114.3	72.5	4.7
1961: January.....	140.6	28.9	111.7	143.7	28.8	114.9	73.7	4.1
February.....	141.2	28.9	112.3	140.9	28.6	112.3	75.1	4.8
March.....	141.5	29.0	112.6	140.1	28.6	111.4	75.9	4.7
April.....	142.0	29.0	113.0	141.7	28.7	113.0	76.9	2.9
May.....	142.0	29.0	113.0	140.0	28.7	111.3	78.1	4.6
June.....	142.1	28.9	113.2	140.7	28.9	111.8	79.0	4.5
July.....	142.0	29.0	113.0	141.1	29.2	111.9	79.9	4.3
August ²	141.9	29.0	112.9	141.2	29.2	112.0	80.6	4.8
First half.....	141.9	29.0	112.9	141.9	29.3	112.7	80.5	5.1
Second half ²	141.9	29.0	112.9	140.4	29.1	111.4	80.8	4.5

¹ Deposits at all commercial banks.

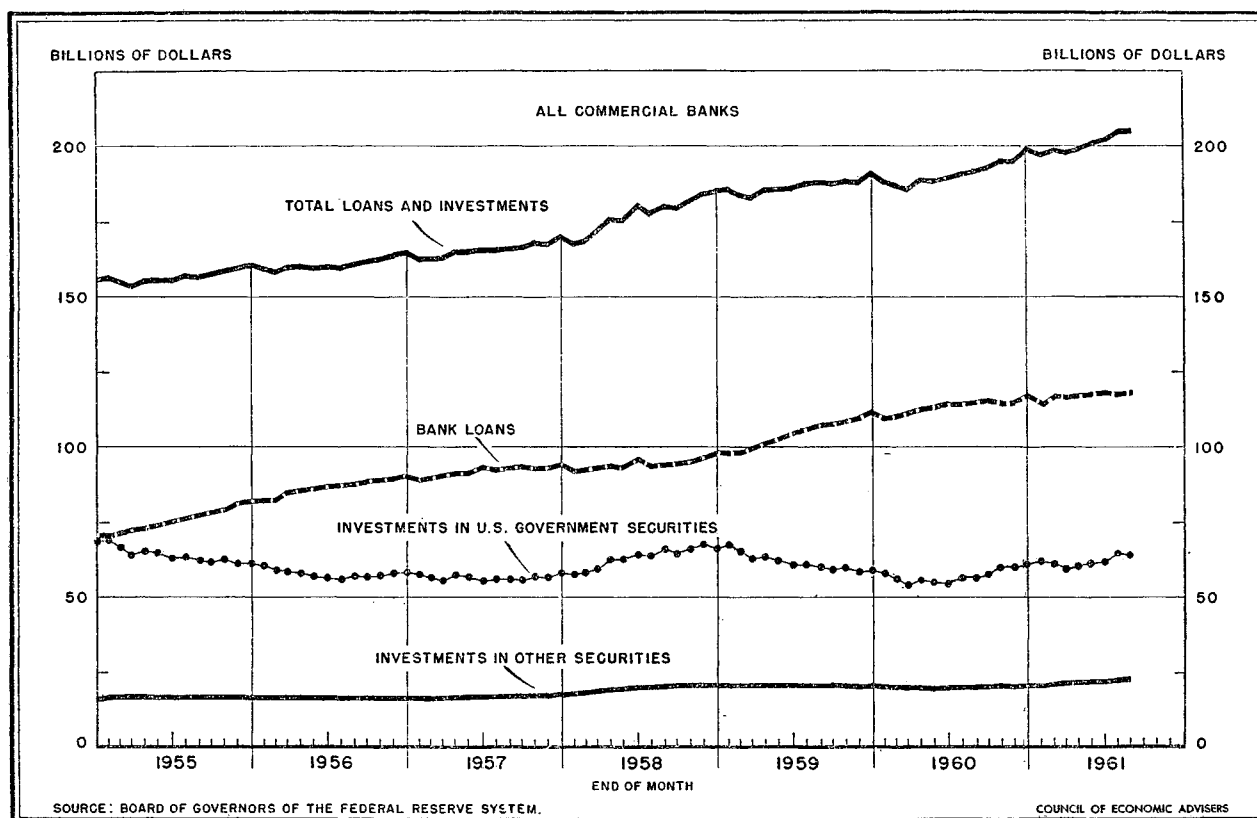
² Preliminary.

NOTE.—See note, p. 27.

Source: Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

BANK LOANS, INVESTMENTS, DEBITS, AND RESERVES

Commercial bank loans rose \$400 million in August, compared to \$500 million in August 1960.



End of period	All commercial banks				Weekly reporting member banks ¹	Bank debits outside New York City (343 centers), seasonally adjusted annual rates ³	All member banks ¹		
	Total loans and investments	Loans	Investments				Reserves ⁴		Borrowings at Federal Reserve Banks ⁴
			U.S. Government securities	Other securities	Business loans ²		Required	Excess	
	Billions of dollars						Millions of dollars		
1953.....	145.7	67.6	63.4	14.7	23.4	1,126	19,227	693	441
1954.....	155.9	70.6	69.0	16.3	22.4	1,148	18,576	703	246
1955.....	160.9	82.6	61.6	16.7	² 26.7	1,277	18,646	594	839
1956.....	165.1	90.3	58.6	16.3	30.8	1,385	18,883	652	688
1957.....	170.1	93.9	58.2	17.9	31.8	1,468	18,843	577	710
1958.....	185.2	98.2	66.4	20.6	² 31.7	1,481	18,383	516	557
1959.....	190.3	110.8	58.9	20.5	² 30.5	1,656	18,450	482	906
1960.....	199.5	117.6	61.0	20.9	31.9	1,736	18,514	769	87
1960: July.....	190.9	114.2	56.7	20.0	31.0	1,690	18,010	508	388
August.....	191.2	114.7	56.6	20.0	31.0	1,790	17,961	540	293
September.....	193.3	115.4	57.7	20.2	31.5	1,742	17,931	639	225
October.....	195.6	114.8	60.4	20.4	31.4	1,722	18,095	638	149
November.....	195.5	115.0	60.2	20.3	31.7	1,768	18,248	756	142
December.....	199.5	117.6	61.0	20.9	31.9	1,711	18,514	769	87
1961: January.....	197.0	114.2	61.9	20.9	31.2	1,783	18,570	745	49
February.....	199.3	116.7	61.3	21.3	31.3	1,775	18,310	654	137
March ⁵	198.0	116.6	59.7	21.7	32.0	1,775	18,263	546	70
April ⁵	199.7	117.2	60.7	21.8	² 31.7	1,783	18,266	618	56
May ⁵	201.0	117.6	61.5	21.9	31.5	1,872	18,307	549	96
June ⁵	202.3	118.2	62.0	22.2	31.8	1,846	18,430	612	63
July ⁵	204.9	117.7	64.8	22.4	31.3	1,817	18,482	581	51
August ⁵	205.0	118.1	64.3	22.6	31.5	1,854	18,619	605	67

¹ Member banks are all national banks and those State banks which have taken membership in the Federal Reserve System.

² Commercial and industrial loans and prior to 1956 agricultural loans. Series revised beginning January 1952, October 1955, July 1958, July 1959, and April 1961.

³ Debits during period to demand deposit accounts except interbank and U.S. Government. Prior to 1955, relates to 344 centers outside New York City.

⁴ Averages of daily figures. Annual data are for December.

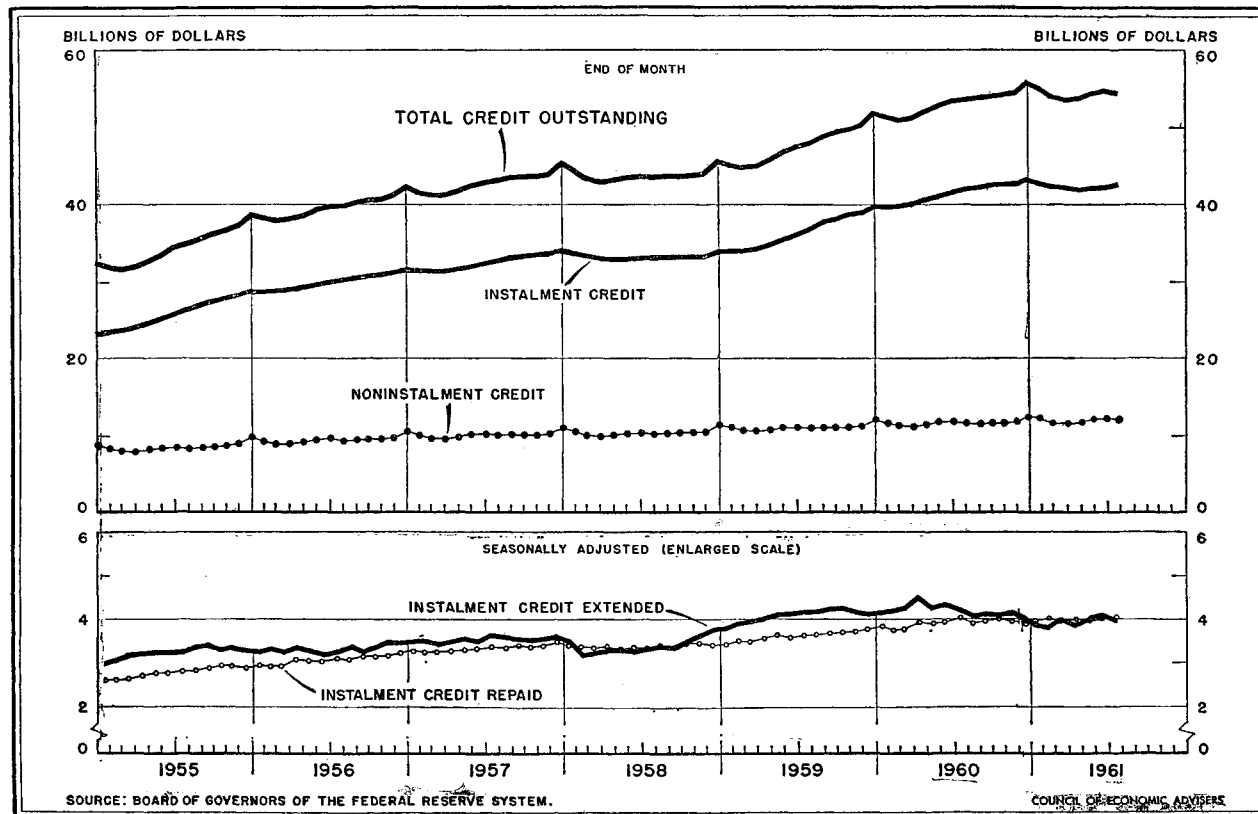
⁵ Preliminary.

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

Source: Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

CONSUMER CREDIT

In July, consumer credit outstanding declined \$100 million compared to a rise of \$150 million in July 1960.



Period	[Millions of dollars]				Consumer instalment credit extended and repaid (seasonally adjusted)			
	Consumer credit outstanding (end of period; unadjusted)				Consumer instalment credit extended and repaid (seasonally adjusted)			
	Total	Instalment		Non-instalment ³	Total ¹		Automobile paper ²	
		Total ¹	Automobile paper ²		Extended	Repaid	Extended	Repaid
1951	22,712	15,294	5,972	7,418	23,576	22,985	8,956	9,058
1952	27,520	19,403	7,733	8,117	29,514	25,405	11,764	10,003
1953	31,393	23,005	9,835	8,388	31,558	27,956	12,981	10,879
1954	32,464	23,568	9,809	8,896	31,051	30,488	11,807	11,833
1955	38,882	28,958	13,472	9,924	39,039	33,649	16,745	13,082
1956	42,511	31,897	14,459	10,614	40,175	37,236	15,563	14,576
1957	45,286	34,183	15,409	11,103	42,545	40,259	16,545	15,595
1958	45,544	34,057	14,237	11,487	40,789	40,915	14,316	15,488
1959	52,119	39,852	16,549	12,267	49,045	43,407	17,941	15,698
1960	56,049	43,281	17,866	12,768	50,343	46,914	17,839	16,522
1960: June	53,662	41,752	17,755	11,910	4,313	3,934	1,538	1,392
July	53,809	42,050	17,893	11,759	4,214	3,997	1,417	1,385
August	54,092	42,378	18,020	11,714	4,072	3,918	1,422	1,388
September	54,265	42,517	18,021	11,748	4,125	3,958	1,422	1,375
October	54,344	42,591	17,992	11,753	4,108	3,994	1,460	1,417
November	54,626	42,703	17,967	11,923	4,134	3,946	1,482	1,397
December	56,049	43,281	17,866	12,768	4,007	3,931	1,325	1,356
1961: January	55,021	42,782	17,611	12,239	3,869	3,972	1,239	1,387
February	54,102	42,264	17,383	11,838	3,803	4,011	1,190	1,363
March	53,906	42,058	17,265	11,848	4,002	3,954	1,288	1,353
April	53,972	41,988	17,200	11,984	3,883	4,022	1,243	1,388
May	54,390	42,127	17,242	12,263	4,001	3,974	1,315	1,365
June	54,786	42,441	17,358	12,345	4,116	4,016	1,347	1,386
July	54,687	42,457	17,358	12,230	3,961	4,035	1,301	1,403

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

² Consumer credit extended for the purpose of purchasing automobiles and secured by the items purchased.

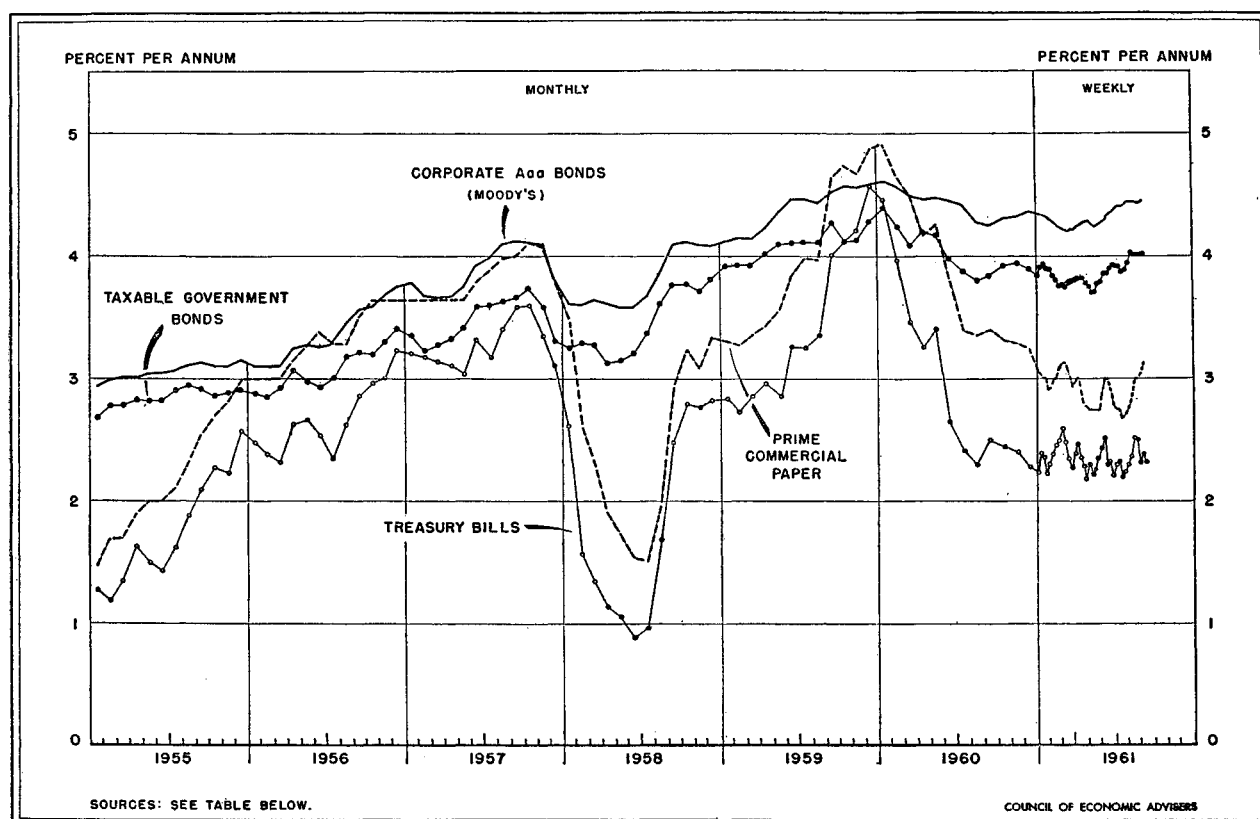
³ Consists of single-payment loans, charge accounts, and service credit.

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

Source: Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

BOND YIELDS AND INTEREST RATES

The rate on 3-month Treasury bills and yields on bonds averaged higher in August than in July.



Period	U. S. Government security yields		High-grade municipal bonds (Standard & Poor's) ³	Corporate bonds (Moody's)		Prime commercial paper, 4-6 months
	3-month Treasury bills ¹	Taxable bonds ²		Aaa	Baa	
1954.....	0.953	2.55	2.37	2.90	3.51	1.58
1955.....	1.753	2.84	2.53	3.06	3.53	2.18
1956.....	2.658	3.08	2.93	3.36	3.88	3.31
1957.....	3.267	3.47	3.60	3.89	4.71	3.81
1958.....	1.839	3.43	3.56	3.79	4.73	2.46
1959.....	3.405	4.08	3.95	4.38	5.05	3.97
1960.....	2.928	4.02	3.73	4.41	5.19	3.85
1960: July.....	2.396	3.86	3.72	4.41	5.22	3.39
August.....	2.286	3.79	3.53	4.28	5.08	3.34
September.....	2.489	3.84	3.53	4.25	5.01	3.39
October.....	2.426	3.91	3.59	4.30	5.11	3.30
November.....	2.384	3.93	3.46	4.31	5.08	3.28
December.....	2.272	3.88	3.45	4.35	5.10	3.23
1961: January.....	2.302	3.89	3.44	4.32	5.10	2.98
February.....	2.408	3.81	3.33	4.27	5.07	3.03
March.....	2.420	3.78	3.38	4.22	5.02	3.03
April.....	2.327	3.80	3.44	4.25	5.01	2.91
May.....	2.288	3.73	3.38	4.27	5.01	2.76
June.....	2.359	3.88	3.53	4.33	5.03	2.91
July.....	2.268	3.90	3.53	4.41	5.09	2.72
August.....	2.402	4.00	3.55	4.45	5.11	2.92
Week ended:						
1961: August 5.....	2.300	3.95	3.52	4.45	5.11	2.75
12.....	2.366	4.03	3.56	4.45	5.11	2.83
19.....	2.519	4.01	3.56	4.45	5.12	3.00
26.....	2.503	4.01	3.56	4.44	5.11	3.00
September 2.....	2.321	4.01	3.56	4.44	5.12	3.05
9.....	2.392	4.02	3.57	4.46	5.12	3.13
16.....	2.328	4.06	3.57	4.46	5.12	3.08

¹ Rate on new issues within period.

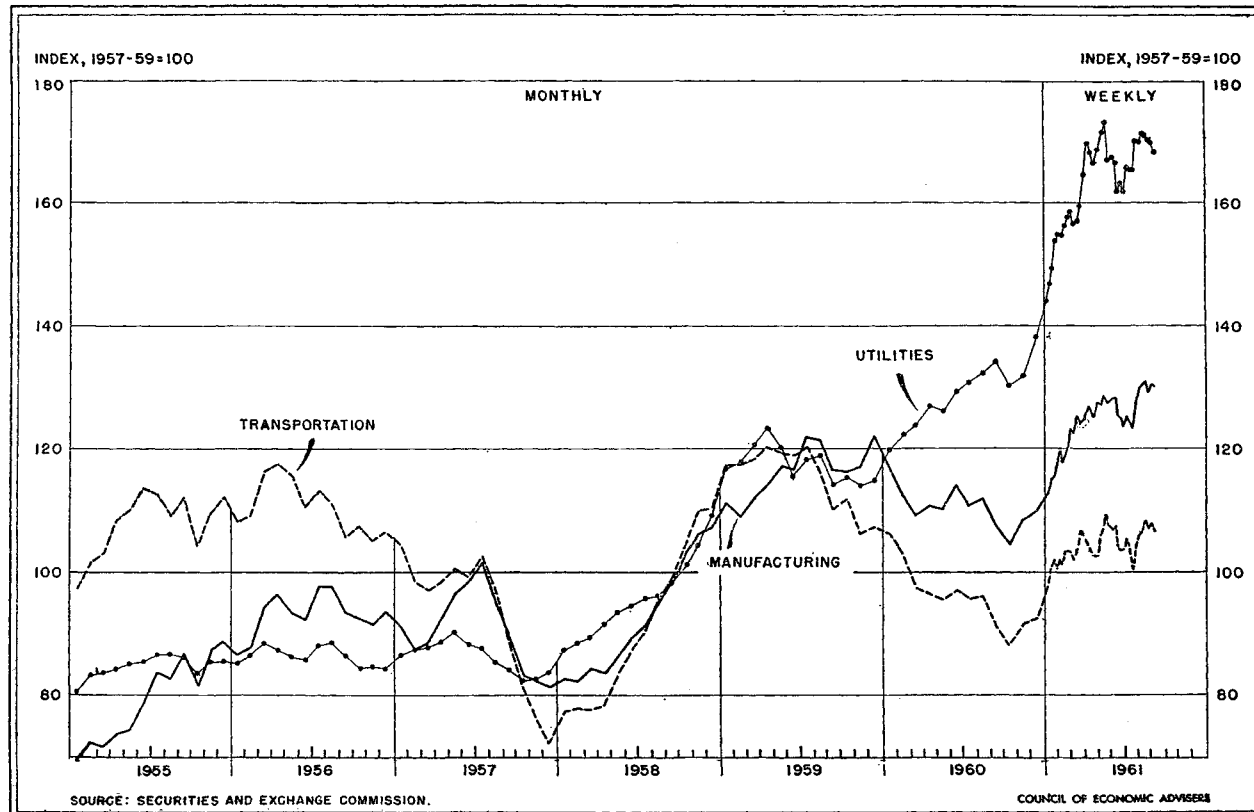
² Series includes: April 1953 to date, bonds due or callable 10 years and after; April 1952-March 1953, bonds due or callable after 12 years; October 1941-March 1952, bonds due or callable after 15 years.

³ Weekly data are Wednesday figures.

⁴ Not charted. Sources: Treasury Department, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, Standard & Poor's Corporation, and Moody's Investors Service.

STOCK PRICES

Stock prices averaged higher in August than in July but changed little in early September.



[1957-59=100]								
Period	Composite index ¹	Manufacturing			Transportation	Utilities	Trade, finance, and service	Mining
		Total	Durable goods	Non-durable goods				
Weekly average:								
1952.....	52.3	46.8	42.1	50.7	74.6	65.4	60.4	80.7
1953.....	51.9	46.7	43.0	49.8	73.9	67.3	60.8	70.4
1954.....	61.7	57.6	54.7	60.0	78.6	75.3	69.1	78.2
1955.....	81.8	79.5	78.7	80.1	108.2	84.8	87.1	91.6
1956.....	92.6	93.2	91.5	94.5	110.6	86.4	89.9	104.6
1957.....	89.8	90.7	88.5	92.8	93.2	86.3	82.2	107.2
1958.....	93.2	92.5	90.4	94.4	91.0	95.8	95.1	97.9
1959.....	116.7	116.5	120.8	112.6	115.6	117.6	122.3	95.0
1960.....	113.9	110.9	117.3	104.9	95.8	129.3	127.4	73.8
1960: July.....	114.5	111.2	119.0	104.0	95.7	131.0	131.0	68.6
August.....	115.6	112.2	119.8	105.1	96.1	132.6	131.8	71.6
September.....	112.1	107.6	114.1	101.7	91.5	134.2	127.2	70.1
October.....	109.1	104.9	109.4	100.8	88.0	130.5	122.8	71.8
November.....	112.6	108.5	113.0	104.5	91.7	132.0	129.3	74.1
December.....	115.2	110.3	114.5	106.4	92.6	138.5	132.4	78.2
1961: January.....	120.9	115.3	118.6	112.2	100.3	148.7	134.8	85.1
February.....	125.4	119.2	121.4	117.3	102.6	156.0	139.8	89.0
March.....	129.8	123.9	127.8	120.3	104.2	159.2	146.7	89.2
April.....	133.0	125.8	128.5	123.3	103.4	168.9	150.4	93.5
May.....	134.9	127.6	130.6	124.9	107.5	170.0	153.1	96.9
June.....	132.8	126.0	128.0	124.2	105.1	164.0	156.0	97.0
July.....	132.7	125.2	126.5	123.9	103.2	166.7	158.4	93.1
August.....	137.4	130.1	131.3	129.0	107.0	170.6	164.2	92.8
Week ended:								
1961: August 18.....	138.2	131.0	131.6	130.5	108.3	170.9	164.6	92.9
25.....	136.6	129.2	129.7	128.6	107.1	170.2	164.7	91.5
September 1.....	137.7	130.5	132.3	128.9	107.9	169.7	167.1	91.5
8.....	137.1	130.2	132.3	128.3	106.6	168.0	166.2	88.7
15 ²	136.7	129.4	132.8	126.4	107.2	169.4	166.2	86.3

¹ Includes 300 common stocks: 108 for durable goods manufacturing, 85 for non-durable goods manufacturing, 18 for transportation, 34 for utilities, 45 for trade, finance, and service, and 10 for mining.

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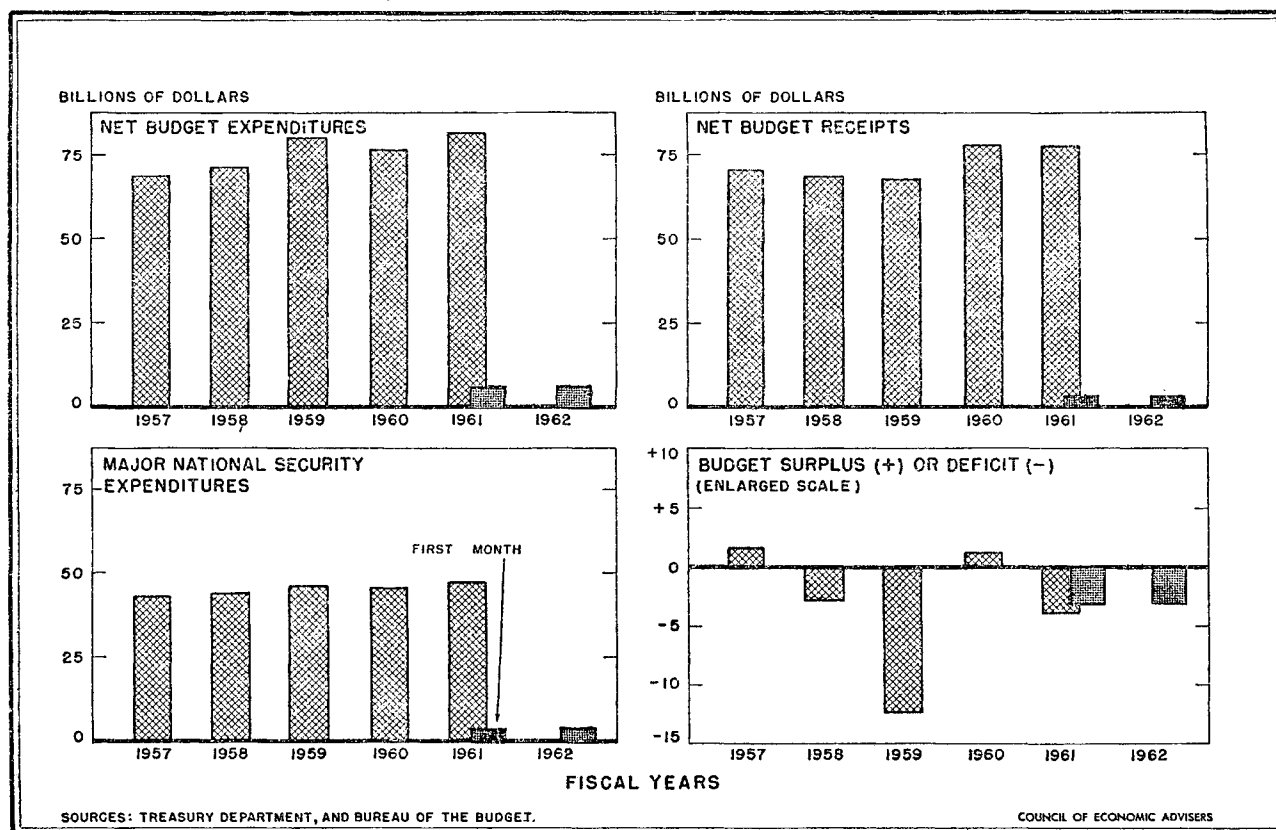
NOTE.—Indexes are based on weekly closing prices.

Source: Securities and Exchange Commission.

FEDERAL FINANCE

BUDGET RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

In July 1961, the first month of fiscal year 1962, there was a deficit of \$3.3 billion, compared with a deficit of \$3.0 billion for the first month of fiscal year 1961.



[Billions of dollars]

Period	Net budget receipts	Net budget expenditures			Budget surplus or deficit (-)	Public debt (end of period) ³
		Total	Major national security ¹	Department of Defense, military ²		
Fiscal year 1956	67.8	66.2	40.6	38.4	1.6	272.8
Fiscal year 1957	70.6	69.0	43.3	40.8	1.6	270.6
Fiscal year 1958	68.5	71.4	44.1	41.2	-2.8	276.4
Fiscal year 1959	67.9	80.3	46.4	43.6	-12.4	284.8
Fiscal year 1960	77.8	76.5	45.6	42.8	1.2	286.5
Fiscal year 1961 ⁴	77.6	81.5	47.4	44.7	-3.9	289.2
1960: June	10.9	6.5	4.0	3.7	4.4	286.5
July ⁴	3.1	6.2	3.5	3.2	-3.0	288.5
August ⁴	6.5	6.8	4.0	3.7	-3.3	288.8
September ⁴	9.0	6.8	3.9	3.7	2.2	288.6
October ⁴	2.8	6.8	3.7	3.5	-4.0	290.6
November ⁴	6.3	6.8	3.9	3.6	-5.5	290.6
December ⁴	7.6	6.8	4.2	4.0	-1.8	290.4
1961: January ⁴	4.8	6.5	3.7	3.5	-1.6	290.2
February ⁴	6.5	6.2	3.8	3.6	3.3	290.7
March ⁴	8.5	7.0	4.3	4.0	1.5	287.7
April ⁴	5.1	6.5	3.8	3.5	-1.3	288.2
May ⁴	6.5	7.2	4.1	3.9	-7.7	290.1
June ⁴	10.7	7.9	4.6	4.3	2.8	289.2
July ⁴	3.0	6.3	3.5	3.2	-3.3	292.6

¹ Includes military activities of the Department of Defense (military functions and the military assistance portion of the mutual security program), Atomic Energy Commission, stockpiling, and defense production expansion.

² Military functions and military assistance.

³ Includes guaranteed securities held outside the Treasury. Not all of total shown is subject to statutory debt limitation.

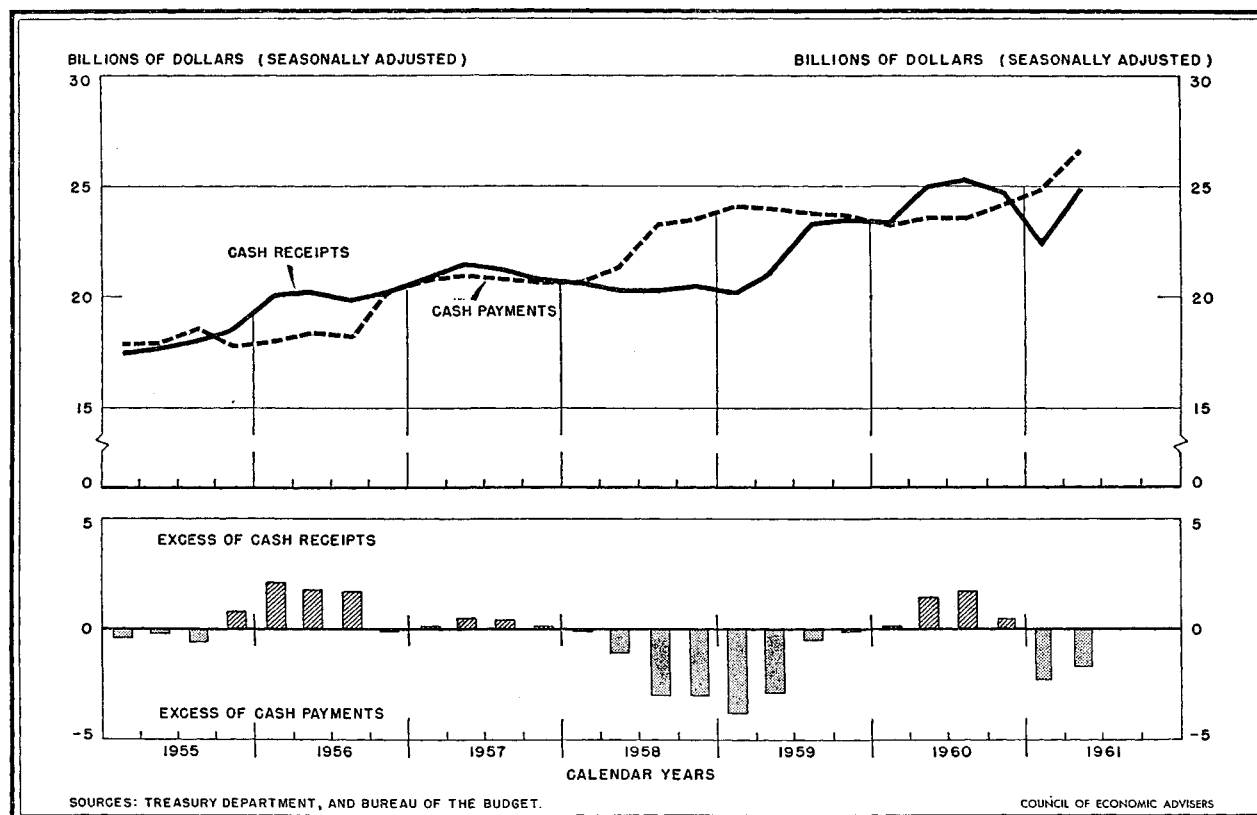
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NOTE.—Total budget receipts and expenditures have been adjusted to exclude certain intragovernmental transactions.

Sources: Treasury Department and Bureau of the Budget.

CASH RECEIPTS FROM AND PAYMENTS TO THE PUBLIC

In the fiscal year 1961, cash payments to the public exceeded cash receipts by \$2.1 billion. In fiscal 1960, cash receipts exceeded cash payments by \$800 million.



[Billions of dollars]

Period	Cash receipts from the public	Cash payments to the public	Excess of receipts (+) or payments (-)	Cash receipts from the public	Cash payments to the public	Excess of receipts (+) or payments (-)
Fiscal year total:						
1957	82.1	80.0	2.1			
1958	81.9	83.4	-1.5			
1959	81.7	94.8	-13.1			
1960	95.1	94.3	.8			
1961 ¹	97.1	99.3	-2.1			
Calendar year total:						
1957	84.5	83.3	1.2			
1958	81.7	89.0	-7.3			
1959	87.6	95.6	-8.0			
1960 ¹	98.3	94.7	3.6			
Quarterly total (calendar years):						
1959: Third quarter	21.4	24.4	-3.0	23.2	23.8	-.6
Fourth quarter	19.4	23.9	-4.5	23.6	23.6	.0
1960: First quarter	25.8	21.9	3.8	23.5	23.3	.1
Second quarter	28.5	24.1	4.5	25.0	23.6	1.5
Third quarter ¹	23.4	24.2	-.8	25.1	23.6	1.5
Fourth quarter ¹	20.6	24.5	-3.9	24.8	24.2	.6
1961: First quarter ¹	24.8	23.4	1.4	22.5	24.9	-2.3
Second quarter ¹	28.4	27.2	1.2	24.9	26.6	-1.7

¹ Preliminary.

Sources: Treasury Department and Bureau of the Budget.

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