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SUMMARY OF BUSINESS TRENDS

RETAIL trade data for January show no slackening in the growing pressure now being exerted upon our productive facilities by expanded consumer purchasing power. Changes from high December sales totals reflected only the normal post-holiday declines, the Federal Reserve Board's seasonally adjusted index of department store sales (1923=25=100) remaining at 101 for the second consecutive month. Variety store sales, seasonally adjusted, also held close to previously established high volumes during January, while sales of the two major mail-order companies (including store sales) increased their gain over the corresponding month last year to 18 percent compared with 12 percent in December. Although the largest retail sales increases were registered in the Southern and South-Central States, other sizable gains were scattered throughout all sections of the country—an indication that the expansionary effects of the defense program are being more widely distributed as the program develops.

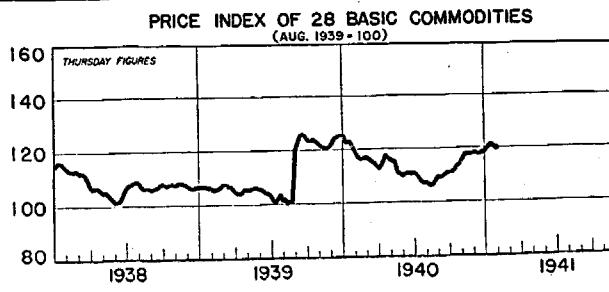
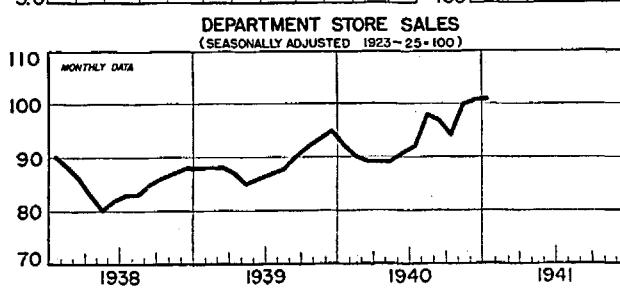
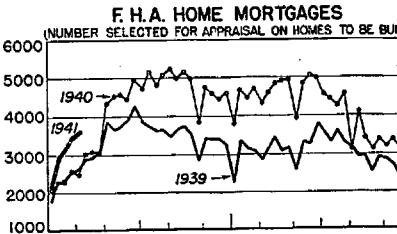
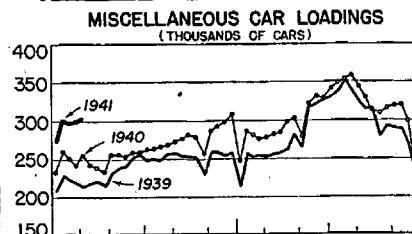
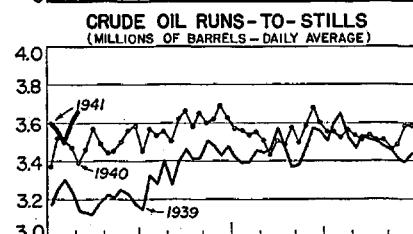
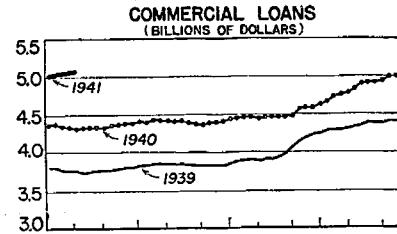
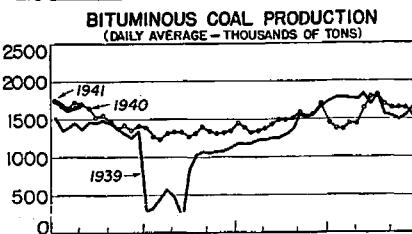
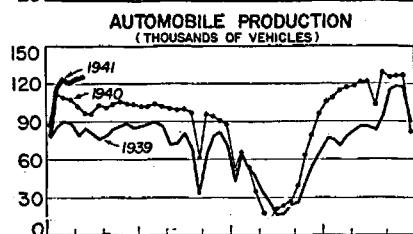
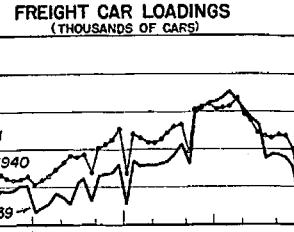
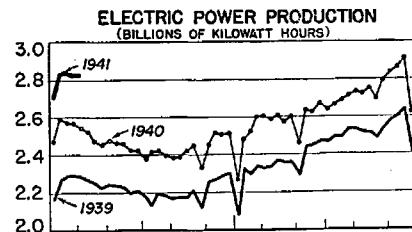
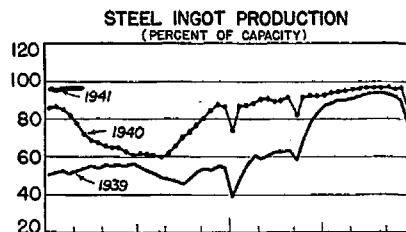
In the automotive field January retail sales, which ordinarily undergo a heavy seasonal drop, actually exceeded those of December and established a new January sales record for the industry. Estimated at 380,000 cars and trucks, this total is 33

percent above January of last year and 28 percent above the previous January record set by the industry in 1937. In view of this contraseasonal market strength, production schedules have again been revised upward. Assemblies totaled 127,625 units for the week ending February 8 and Ward's Reports expect no significant slackening in the near future.

Industrial activity generally is being maintained at the record volumes established in January in sharp contrast to the situation a year ago when widespread weaknesses had developed. The latest data show new increases in the production of bituminous coal and in petroleum refining, with practically no change in outputs of lumber, crude petroleum, anthracite coal, and electric power. Operations in the steel industry, slightly off last week because of furnace repairs, are scheduled at 97.1 percent of capacity for the current week.

Sensitive commodity prices became firmer during the first week in February, the Bureau of Labor Statistics' 28-commodity index (August 1939=100) advancing to 120.3 by the seventh of the month. The index for import commodities moved up one point during the week to register the largest rise among the components of the general index.

SELECTED BUSINESS INDICATORS



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[Weekly average, 1923-25=100]

ITEM	1941				1940		1939		ITEM	1941				1940		1939		
	Feb. 8	Feb. 1	Jan. 25	Jan. 18	Jan. 11	Feb. 10	Feb. 3	Feb. 11	Feb. 4	Feb. 8	Feb. 1	Jan. 25	Jan. 18	Jan. 11	Feb. 10	Feb. 3	Feb. 11	Feb. 4
Business activity: New York Times [†]	122.5	122.1	123.7	123.5	103.6	106.9	93.9	94.3		Finance—Continued.								
Barron's	128.1	127.6	128.6	128.0	110.8	112.8	96.7	97.2		Banking:								
Business Week	144.0	143.9	144.6	142.3	113.6	118.4	101.3	101.9		Debits, outside N. Y. C. [‡]	111.9	103.0	113.8	108.7	122.3	93.5	93.7	82.3
Commodity prices, wholesale: Dept. of Labor, 1926=100:										Federal Reserve reporting member banks:								
Combined Index	80.6	80.8	80.6	80.2	78.5	78.8	76.6	76.6		Loans, total:	74.7	74.5	74.3	74.3	74.4	68.1	68.0	65.4
Food products	71.7	72.6	71.4	71.0	68.9	69.6	66.7	67.1		Interest rates:								
Food	73.7	74.1	73.7	73.0	70.9	71.7	71.1	71.0		Call loans [†]	24.2	24.2	24.2	24.2	24.2	24.2	24.2	24.2
All other	84.5	84.4	84.5	84.4	83.5	83.6	80.4	80.4		Time loans [†]	28.6	28.6	28.6	28.6	28.6	28.6	28.6	28.6
Fisher's index, 1926=100:										Currency in circulation [†]	177.8	176.5	175.9	176.1	177.4	152.6	152.2	137.5
Combined Index	85.4	85.7	86.1	86.1	85.8	84.6	84.7	79.5		Production:								
Copper, electrolytic [†]	82.5	85.5	85.5	85.5	82.1	82.6	79.7	79.7		Automobiles	162.4	158.2	155.1	157.7	147.5	122.1	128.8	107.5
Cotton, middling, spot	40.1	40.1	39.0	39.0	41.5	40.8	33.1	33.1		Bituminous coal [†]	98.8	96.9	94.5	98.8	96.4	99.9	98.0	80.4
Construction contracts [†]										Cotton consumption [†]	149.7	152.0	153.4	125.4	123.1	106.5	109.3	
Distribution: Carloadings	75.0	74.6	73.5	74.7	65.8	69.1	60.5	60.2		Electric power [†]	169.9	169.9	170.7	170.2	151.4	152.5	136.1	137.3
Employment, Detroit, factory	123.0	123.0	122.1	122.1	104.9	104.9				Lumber	58.2	56.1	60.7	57.9	42.4	46.2	36.8	42.7
Finance:										Petroleum	178.0	178.5	179.1	186.8	182.9	173.5	162.9	170.7
Bond yields [†]	58.6	58.2	58.2	58.2	58.4	62.6	62.7	66.2		Steel ingots [†]	170.5	170.8	169.8	168.7	167.3	123.6	91.7	90.7
Stock prices [†]	92.0	93.8	95.5	97.1	98.3	110.4	109.7	104.8	103.9	Receipts, primary markets:								
										Cattle and calves	56.7	61.6	70.0	69.5	50.8	54.1	52.5	58.4
										Hogs	49.1	50.1	51.6	60.8	52.7	57.6	32.6	36.0
										Cotton	83.8	77.3	78.1	53.1	88.5	95.0	86.9	44.6
										Wheat	28.6	29.7	31.1	33.1	25.0	24.2	27.9	30.4

* Data do not cover calendar weeks in all cases.

[†]Seasonally adjusted.

[‡]Daily average.

[§]Weekly average, 1928-30=100.

^{||}Computed normal=100. Index revised beginning Jan. 8, 1938; revised data not given in the issue for Jan. 23, 1941, and subsequent issues will be shown later.

[¶]Index for week ended Feb. 15 is 170.8. Beginning Jan. 11, 1941, index is based on production of steel ingots and castings.

WEEKLY BUSINESS STATISTICS

ITEM	1941					1940					1939			1938			
	Feb. 8	Feb. 1	Jan. 25	Jan. 18	Jan. 11	Feb. 10	Feb. 3	Feb. 11	Feb. 4	Feb. 12	Feb. 5	Feb. 8	Feb. 1	Jan. 25	Jan. 18	Jan. 11	
COMMODITY PRICES, WHOLESALE																	
Copper, electrolytic, New York [†]	dol. per lb.	0.118	0.118	0.110	0.118	0.112	0.114	0.110	0.110	0.110	0.110	0.098	0.098	0.098	0.098	0.098	0.098
Cotton, middling, spot, New York [†]	do	109	109	109	106	106	113	111	110	110	110	108	108	108	108	108	108
Food Index (<i>Bradstreet's</i>) [†]	do	2.54	2.54	2.52	2.51	2.50	2.34	2.30	2.30	2.30	2.30	2.31	2.43	2.43	2.43	2.43	2.43
Iron and steel, composite [†]	dol. per ton	38.20	38.22	38.24	38.33	38.47	37.01	36.36	36.35	36.35	36.35	38.94	38.94	38.94	38.94	38.94	38.94
Wheat, No. 2, Hard Winter (Kansas City) [†]	dol. per bu.	.79	.81	.84	.84	.98	.95	.68	.70	.70	.70	1.03	1.03	1.03	1.03	1.03	1.03
FINANCE																	
Banking:																	
Debits, New York City [†]	mil. of dol.	3,850	3,211	3,260	3,276	4,118	3,185	3,187	3,385	3,362	2,491	3,381					
Debits, outside New York City (140 cities) [†]	do	5,190	4,778	5,282	5,040	5,608	4,835	4,843	3,813	4,074	3,374						
Federal Reserve banks:																	
Reserve bank credit, total [†]	do	2,217	2,228	2,256	2,256	2,237	2,518	2,503	2,584	2,582	2,594						
U. S. Government securities [†]	do	2,184	2,184	2,184	2,184	2,184	2,477	2,477	2,564	2,564	2,564						
Member bank reserve balances [†]	do	13,842	14,347	14,410	14,414	14,284	12,097	12,150	9,018	9,047	7,205	7,249					
Excess reserves, estimated [†]	do	6,306	6,799	6,864	6,896	6,835	5,523	5,559	3,459	3,478	1,412	1,385					
Federal Reserve reporting member banks:																	
Deposits, demand, adjusted [†]	do	22,798	22,932	22,898	22,703	22,494	19,108	19,190	16,077	16,048	14,511	14,464					
Deposits, time [†]	do	5,452	5,425	5,427	5,468	5,419	5,256	5,257	5,185	5,183	5,223	5,225					
Investments, total [†]	do	16,847	16,847	16,398	16,397	16,398	14,592	14,075	13,280	13,209	12,301	12,253					
U. S. Government direct obligations [†]	do	10,347	9,950	9,977	9,965	9,873	8,810	8,877	8,173	8,173	8,202	8,165					
Obligations fully guaranteed by U. S. Government [†]	do	2,746	2,744	2,743	2,750	2,756	2,411	2,414	1,807	1,789	1,146	1,141					
Loans, total [†]	do	9,337	9,308	9,287	9,280	9,303	8,507	8,499	8,179	8,233	8,925	8,981					
Commercial, industrial, and agricultural loans [†]	mil. of dol.	5,124	5,076	5,055	5,040	5,033	4,314	4,295	3,745	3,767	4,402	4,394					
Interest rates, call loans [†]	percent	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00					
Interest rates, time loans [†]	do	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25					
Exchange rates: Pound sterling [†]	dollars	• 4,031	• 4,033	• 4,034	• 4,035	• 4,035	• 4,035	3,981	3,984	4,686	4,678	5,013	5,011				
Failures, commercial [†]	number	284	300	307	283	251	251	251	251	251	251	251					
Currency in circulation [†]	mil. of dol.	8,636	8,572	8,543	8,552	8,615	7,412	7,393	6,681	6,676	6,314	6,320					
Security markets:																	
Bond sales (<i>N. Y. S. E.</i>) [†]	thous. of dol. par value	33,270	43,160	47,520	49,120	77,010	33,510	20,040	30,530	32,650	29,590	35,950					
Bond yields (<i>Moody's</i>) [†]	(120 bonds)	3.38	3.36	3.36	3.36	3.37	3.61	3.62	3.82	3.88	4.27	4.30					
Stock sales (<i>N. Y. S. E.</i>) [†]	thous. of shares	2,276	2,975	2,573	2,774	3,863	3,735	2,914	3,536	4,224	3,052	4,374					
Stock prices (<i>N. Y. Times</i>) [†]	dol. per share	89.33	91.05	92.78	94.30	95.45	107.24	106.55	101.73	100.88	87.75	85.99					
Stock prices (<i>Standard Statistics</i>) (420) [†]	1926=100	77.6	78.5	79.9	81.5	82.1	91.3	90.4	91.1	89.0	79.6	78.9					
Industrials (350) [†]	do	90.0	91.1	92.8	95.0	96.0	107.1	107.1	105.8	105.3	105.3	94.6	93.0				
Public utilities (40) [†]	do	75.9	77.0	77.8	78.7	78.5	87.4	87.3	85.2	81.8	70.6	71.5					
Railroads (30) [†]	do	27.2	27.3	28.0	27.9	27.5	28.7	28.3	28.5	27.7	27.7	27.5					
PRODUCTION, CONSTRUCTION, AND DISTRIBUTION																	
Production:																	
Automobiles [†]	number	127,675	124,400	121,948	121,025	115,935	95,985	101,240	84,500	78,410	54,310	47,743					
Bituminous coal [†]	thous. of short tons	1,683</															

MONTHLY BUSINESS STATISTICS

Monthly statistics through December 1939, together with explanatory notes and references to the sources of the data, may be found in the 1940 Supplement to the Survey	1941	1940												
		January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	
COMMODITY PRICES Pages 11, 12														
Cost of living (N. I. C. B.):														
Combined index†	1923=100	86.0	84.6	85.1	84.8	85.0	85.2	85.5	85.7	86.4	85.7	85.5	85.5	* 85.9
Clothing	do	73.0	73.0	73.2	73.2	73.2	73.1	73.1	73.1	73.1	73.1	73.1	73.1	73.0
Food†	do	78.7	76.3	77.8	76.9	77.4	78.1	79.1	78.4	77.4	78.2	77.4	77.2	* 78.3
Fuel and light	do	86.4	85.8	86.0	85.8	85.4	84.1	84.2	84.5	84.8	85.3	85.9	86.3	86.5
Housing	do	87.6	86.6	86.6	86.7	86.7	86.7	86.8	86.8	86.9	87.0	87.4	87.5	87.6
Sundries	do	98.1	96.9	96.9	96.9	97.0	97.0	97.0	* 98.2	* 98.1	98.1	98.1	98.1	98.1
Retail prices:														
Food (U. S. Dept. of Labor)†	1935-39=100	97.8	94.8	96.6	95.6	96.2	97.0	98.3	97.4	96.3	97.2	96.2	95.9	* 97.3
DOMESTIC TRADE Pages 26, 27, 28, 29, 30														
Postal business:														
Receipts, postal:														
50 selected cities	thous. of dol.	32,316	30,385	29,737	32,657	31,615	32,265	28,603	27,026	28,974	30,325	35,233	33,201	45,390
50 industrial cities	do	4,001	3,791	3,665	3,993	3,923	3,786	3,451	3,565	3,568	3,572	4,194	3,686	5,539
Retail trade:														
Chain-store sales and stores operated:														
Variety chains:														
H. L. Green Co., Inc.†														
Sales	thous. of dol.	2,890	2,785	2,774	3,846	3,279	3,751	3,784	3,334	3,657	3,536	3,992	4,395	7,972
Stores operated	number	150	151	151	151	151	151	151	151	151	149	150	150	150
S. S. Kresge Co.:														
Sales	thous. of dol.	9,409	9,042	9,543	12,206	10,498	11,815	11,643	10,458	11,767	10,870	12,626	13,290	24,683
Stores operated	number	678	675	675	675	675	675	676	677	678	681	682	684	684
S. H. Kress & Co.:														
Sales	thous. of dol.	5,921	5,300	5,603	6,897	6,401	6,838	6,310	6,514	6,691	6,839	7,514	7,659	15,732
Stores operated	number	242	240	239	239	239	239	239	239	239	239	241	242	242
McCrory Stores Corp.:														
Sales	thous. of dol.	2,926	2,767	2,998	3,888	3,246	3,507	3,611	3,334	3,626	3,377	3,768	4,057	8,028
Stores operated	number	204	201	201	203	203	203	203	203	202	202	202	202	204
G. C. Murphy Co.:														
Sales	thous. of dol.	3,479	3,083	3,134	4,069	3,585	4,300	4,308	3,966	4,370	3,923	4,612	4,884	9,042
Stores operated	number	204	202	202	202	203	203	203	202	202	202	202	202	204
F. W. Woolworth Co.:														
Sales	thous. of dol.	22,008	20,512	22,117	27,545	23,774	26,067	26,020	24,507	26,828	25,197	28,634	29,688	54,571
Stores operated	number	2,021	2,017	2,015	2,016	2,014	2,015	2,015	2,013	2,014	2,021	2,024	2,023	2,025
Other chains:														
W. T. Grant Co.:														
Sales	thous. of dol.	6,655	5,931	6,109	8,101	7,520	8,787	8,911	7,698	8,750	8,276	10,172	10,569	20,030
Stores operated	number	494	492	492	492	492	492	492	492	493	493	494	494	494
J. C. Penney Co.:														
Sales	thous. of dol.	20,284	18,292	16,032	21,469	21,181	23,599	24,737	20,882	24,492	24,701	29,584	33,765	45,716
Stores operated	number	1,586	1,584	1,557	1,560	1,562	1,562	1,563	1,575	1,578	1,582	1,586	1,586	1,586
Department stores:														
Sales, total U. S., unadjusted	1923-25=100	78	71	71	86	86	89	87	64	77	105	101	114	179
Atlanta	1935-39=100	99	83	100	123	104	114	98	81	107	132	125	141	* 223
Boston	1923-25=100	72	69	53	66	71	74	75	51	62	90	91	92	* 145
Chicago	do	82	75	74	92	91	93	92	65	86	104	101	113	* 173
Cleveland	do	77	70	73	86	90	94	93	67	84	107	97	116	* 158
Dallas	do	97	86	91	110	99	105	90	76	94	127	111	131	* 201
Kansas City	1925=100	76	67	70	87	85	86	76	66	86	91	95	99	* 158
Minneapolis	1929-31=100	86	81	70	93	100	100	97	73	101	106	117	108	* 158
New York	1923-25=100	78	74	69	82	83	85	89	67	76	108	108	120	* 184
Philadelphia	do	57	52	53	69	65	74	73	50	60	79	87	90	* 148
Richmond	do	98	84	83	110	105	120	112	83	104	123	149	148	* 239
St. Louis	do	80	69	73	91	90	88	82	66	78	106	101	112	* 167
San Francisco	do	90	80	83	95	90	95	88	83	98	103	103	116	* 188
Sales, total U. S., adjusted†														
Atlanta	1935-39=100	101	92	90	89	89	91	92	98	97	94	101	101	
Chicago	1923-25=100	102	94	92	92	92	94	92	107	100	92	103	103	
Cleveland	do	103	93	93	91	88	87	95	92	101	102	94	108	
Dallas	do	127	113	107	112	103	105	102	108	122	115	99	117	* 116
Minneapolis	1929-31=100	108	102	97	90	101	100	97	103	115	95	97	104	* 104
New York	1923-25=100	98	84	86	89	90	88	92	94	101	104	95	101	* 102
Philadelphia	do	80	72	70	71	69	74	75	73	80	79	75	82	* 81
St. Louis	do	100	87	85	92	88	89	95	104	99	99	96	101	
San Francisco	do	110	98	99	102	96	99	97	101	104	100	99	110	* 109
Mail-order and store sales:														
Montgomery Ward & Co.	thous. of dol.	33,495	29,984	30,530	33,942	45,856	45,905	43,104	37,213	42,692	45,972	56,937	64,613	70,850
Sears, Roebuck & Co.	do	49,971	40,548	40,836	50,899	56,372	65,978	63,313	51,352	58,820	65,650	76,920	73,324	95,873
FINANCE Pages 48, 52, 68, 69, 70														
Banking:														
Bank debits, total (141 cities)	mil. of dol.	37,645	34,717	20,482	34,738	34,769	34,195	31,960	31,345	29,018	30,861	36,317	35,771	42,953
New York City	do	15,147	14,739	12,138	15,201	15,519	14,536	13,110	13,612	11,604	12,594	14,952	14,826	
Outside New York City	do	22,498	19,978	17,344	19,537	19,250	19,659	18,850	19,233	18,314	18,267	21,365	20,819	24,327
Capital flotations:														
Securities issued by type of security, total	thous. of dol.	417,197	287,877	451,787	242,239	344,874	251,390	227,182	691,472	282,476	229,314	710,551	440,266	605,791
New capital, total	do	95,321	95,015	104,167	71,388	117,587	122,020	82,728	397,300	129,776	113,550	257,391	263,438	189,899
Refunding, total	do	321,374	192,862	347,620	170,386	227,287	129,370	144,455	294,173	152,700	115,764	453,160	176,830	415,893
Securities issued by type of corporate bor-														
rrower, total	thous. of dol.	320,678	173,465	257,346	134,327	246,279	173,097	111,248	271,856	170,432	130,471	392,623	261,186	389,343
New capital, total	do	52,789	35,470	46,004	30,527	53,925	89,287	9,771	46,233	67,938	68,006	47,278	168,699	61,132
Industrial	do	10,243	13,913	5,249	1,201	22,598	6,094	2,826	4,772	23,124	17,544	16,268	2,834	18,557
Public utilities	do	10,575	18,249	7,615	8,407	16,767	0	4,217	11,256	30,232	18,521	5,444	141,091	4,944
Refunding, total	do	267,890	137,995	211,342	103,799	192,353	83,810	101,476	225,623	111,494	62,465	345,347	92,487	328,212
Industrial	do	95,908	0	115,000	24,250	50,943	79,350	1,700	93,628	60,776	7,275	86,660	53,588	29,575
Public utilities	do	134,940	101,903	90,397	32,269	41,236	1,500							

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Monthly statistics through December 1939, together with explanatory notes and references to the sources of the data, may be found in the 1940 Supplement to the Survey	1941		1940											
	January	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	
TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATIONS														
Pages 32, 83														
Class I steam railways:														
Freight-car loadings (Federal Reserve):														
Combined index, unadjusted, 1923-25=100	77	72	68	67	67	71	75	77	78	86	86	84	77	
Combined index, adjusted	86	78	73	60	70	72	75	75	76	77	77	83	84	
Grains and grain products	76	73	75	75	79	74	74	80	74	79	81	78	77	
Merchandise, l. c. 1.	63	62	61	60	59	60	60	61	61	61	62	62	63	
Ore	149	114	107	105	102	96	100	96	96	106	117	102	134	
FUELS AND BYPRODUCTS														
Pages 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121														
Coal:														
Anthracite:														
Production	4,975	5,622	3,546	3,773	3,746	3,957	4,367	4,408	3,775	4,056	4,234	3,869	4,699	
Bituminous:														
Production	43,905	44,976	39,277	35,244	32,790	34,896	32,400	35,890	39,010	38,650	38,700	40,012	41,400	
Coke, beehive:														
Production	490	238	155	135	102	106	151	231	278	272	363	394	463	
Petroleum and products:														
Crude petroleum:														
Consumption (runs to stills)	thous. of bbl.	(a)	106,530	101,766	110,079	106,979	111,817	108,237	107,902	108,756	107,756	109,394	105,364	109,703
Production	do	(a)	113,140	108,688	120,075	116,045	118,283	111,690	118,244	110,523	109,337	113,418	106,904	110,520
Refinery operations	pot. of capacity	(a)	81	81	82	83	84	80	81	83	82	82	82	82
Stocks, end of month:														
California:														
Heavy crude and fuel	thous. of bbl.	(a)	79,380	79,047	78,440	78,866	78,359	78,443	77,550	76,373	75,302	74,124	73,011	71,798
Light crude	do	(a)	35,567	36,110	35,943	36,000	35,782	35,368	36,182	36,493	35,460	35,422	35,043	35,852
East of California, total	do	(a)	196,407	200,704	207,407	214,321	218,492	218,998	219,796	220,234	220,197	220,896	220,645	221,031
Refineries	do	(a)	39,162	40,212	40,871	42,119	45,183	47,525	47,959	47,950	44,778	44,774	44,873	43,767
Tank farms and pipe lines	do	(a)	157,245	160,492	166,536	172,202	173,309	171,473	171,837	172,284	175,419	176,122	175,772	177,264
Refined petroleum products:														
Gas and fuel oils:														
Production														
Residual fuel oil	do	(a)	28,082	24,680	26,870	25,372	26,548	25,469	25,248	26,451	25,504	27,944	26,125	27,925
Gas, oil, and distillate fuels, total	do	(a)	16,648	16,262	16,346	15,280	14,541	14,154	14,439	14,957	14,735	14,381	15,073	16,608
Stocks, end of month:														
Residual fuel oil, east of California	thous. of bbl.	(a)	18,764	19,130	19,160	18,475	19,116	20,339	21,909	24,042	25,015	26,539	24,580	23,656
Gas, oil, and distillate fuels	do	(a)	21,057	19,615	18,541	20,310	23,112	26,412	30,134	33,664	37,166	37,709	35,885	32,082
Motor fuel:														
Demand, domestic	do	(a)	40,370	37,557	44,607	47,683	52,946	55,459	53,865	55,346	52,297	53,807	49,074	46,413
Production, total	do	(a)	50,243	47,596	51,230	50,625	52,183	51,325	51,870	52,658	52,313	52,907	50,892	52,508
Benzol	do	(a)	272	231	227	228	247	263	270	271	283	290	283	298
Straight-run gasoline	do	(a)	21,709	20,409	21,774	23,082	22,526	22,422	22,420	22,120	22,254	21,602	21,033	22,213
Cracked gasoline	do	(a)	23,991	22,777	24,780	22,901	24,823	24,239	24,496	25,587	25,090	25,988	24,716	25,047
Natural gasoline	do	(a)	4,271	4,179	4,489	4,414	4,587	4,401	4,684	4,680	4,706	5,047	4,841	4,950
Natural gasoline, blended	do	(a)	3,285	3,067	2,986	2,783	3,075	2,600	2,744	3,081	3,744	4,156	4,026	3,783
Stocks, gasoline, end of month:														
Finished gasoline, total	do	(a)	84,863	92,721	96,467	96,615	93,474	86,276	82,025	77,134	75,915	73,338	73,429	77,943
At refineries	do	(a)	60,420	68,227	70,274	69,407	65,871	59,708	54,414	50,056	49,040	47,162	46,695	50,807
Natural gasoline	do	(a)	4,476	4,757	5,393	6,112	6,514	7,000	7,584	7,702	7,038	6,569	6,102	5,704
Kerosene:														
Consumption, domestic	do	(a)	7,642	6,263	6,278	5,621	5,297	3,952	4,257	4,114	5,173	5,608	6,768	7,808
Production	do	(a)	5,375	5,945	6,570	6,257	6,641	5,785	5,797	5,629	6,062	6,496	6,431	6,894
Stocks, refinery, end of month	do	(a)	4,918	4,302	4,114	4,351	5,309	6,810	8,191	9,476	10,254	11,000	10,473	9,512
Lubricants:														
Consumption, domestic	do	(a)	2,054	1,522	1,883	2,138	2,063	2,146	1,871	2,024	2,150	2,443	2,449	1,875
Production	do	(a)	3,308	3,108	3,335	3,280	3,341	3,212	3,024	2,635	2,682	2,954	3,021	2,865
Stocks, refinery, end of month	do	(a)	7,328	7,825	8,084	8,065	8,170	8,161	8,573	8,457	8,596	8,464	8,365	8,767
METALS AND MANUFACTURES														
Pages 130, 132, 137														
Pig iron:														
Furnaces in blast, end of month:														
Capacity	short tons per day	152,040	123,990	106,040	104,675	106,395	119,905	131,360	131,760	137,500	140,620	144,290	148,000	146,770
Number		205	177	157	152	157	172	182	187	190	193	196	201	202
Production	thous. of short tons	4,664	4,032	3,311	3,270	3,137	3,514	3,819	4,054	4,238	4,177	4,446	4,403	4,548
Nonferrous metals:														
Zinc:														
Production, slab, at primary smelters	short tons	89,156	52,399	53,387	56,184	53,055	51,457	48,213	52,098	51,010	52,869	56,372	56,459	59,883
Retorts in operation, end of mo.	number	56,530	47,287	47,188	49,744	49,305	48,089	46,577	47,545	50,715	53,184	53,970	55,288	55,288
Shipments, total	short tons	63,272	54,862	51,050	49,909	46,803	57,224	53,935	57,606	64,065	67,650	65,713	62,295	65,385
Stocks, refinery, end of mo.	do	8,768	63,532	65,869	72,144	78,396	72,529	66,907	61,399	48,344	33,563	24,222	18,386	12,884
TEXTILE PRODUCTS														
Pages 155, 157														
Silk:														
Deliveries (consumption)	bales	28,425	29,506	22,485	21,685	21,740	18,997	17,307	22,766	30,189	28,828	39,877	36,374	23,113
Stocks, end of month:														
Total, visible supply	do	224,363	87,025	83,306	87,087	85,798	92,485	90,122	115,111	151,698	172,254	184,797	195,330	225,248
United States (warehouses)	do	63,433	59,225	50,306	45,887	42,698	43,285	41,822	43,211	46,898	44,454	48,297	60,330	72,248
Wool:														
Receipts at Boston, total	thous. of lbs.	50,365	(b)	(b)	(b)	13,553	31,759	44,896	52,905	30,278	29,961	47,060	36,123	49,597
Domestic	do	4,633	4,040	3,247	5,342	8,104	25,214	41,790	44,472	22,640	22,912	30,393	16,328	6,298
Foreign	do	45,732	(b)	(b)	(b)	5,449	6,644	3,106	8,433	7,738	7,049	16,667	19,795	43,299
TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT														
Page 159														
Automobiles:														
Sales (General Motors Corporation):														
World sales:														
By U. S. and Canadian plants	number	235,422	181,088	174,572	193,522	196,747	185,548	167,310	110,659	24,019				