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## SUMMARY OF BUSINESS TRENDS

THE VAST shift of facilities and resources to war production is now getting under way. However, utmost speed is essential to realization of the goals outlined by the President last week. December arms expenditure was at an annual rate of $\$ 24$ billion. To achieve a $\$ 56$-billion outlay in fiscal year 1943 will require a more substantial advance within a shorter time period than heretofore has been accomplished. All durable-goods producers will be required either to shift to arms production or to turn out essential capital goods. In this sense, the conversion of the automobile industry, with its 100,000 machine tools and 550,000 workers, is being duplicated on a smaller scale in many other sections of industry. In addition, output of nondurables and services, already cut by curtailment of rubber, silk, and wool, must experience further inroads.

The financial arrangements incident to realizing the tremendous public expenditures in fiscal year 1943 will necessitate a modification of financial trends evident throughout the past year. Because of stepped-up expenditures in the second half of fiscal year 1942, receipts for the year as a whole (estimated at $\$ 11.9$ billion) are now expected to fall short of expenditures by $\$ 18.6$ billion. In fiscal year 1943, a higher income level and additional taxes ( $\$ 7$ billion excluding a 2-billion increase in social security taxes) are expected almost to double receipts to a total of $\$ 23.5$ billion. At the same time, however, the deficit also will be approximately doubled (to an anticipated $\$ 35.4$ billion).

During the calendar year 1941 the Government debt was increased $\$ 12.9$ billion. A large share of this debt was financed by the banks, commercial banks, for example, adding approximately 2.1 billion to their holdings of United States Government obligations in the six months ending October 31. Defense saving bonds sales from their inception in May through December totaled $\$ 2.6$ billion. The high point was reached in December, when purchases totaled $\$ 529$ million. All in all, the proportion by which banks have participated in new bond issues needs to be cut and that of individuals and business must be increased if fiscal control over prices is to be successful. High rates of depreciation, permissible with new arms facilities, inability to make repair and replacement, and the elimination of consumer durable output is expected to bring much of this needed saving.

The excess reserves of member banks at the year end were $\$ 3.1$ billion, as compared with 6.6 billion a year earlier. Reserve requirements were raised in November to the maximum permitted by law. This cut excess reserves by $\$ 1.2$ billion, still leaving them substantial enough to support a great credit expansion. Business loans during 1941 increased $\$ 1.7$ billion, or 34 percent, as the advance continued unabated throughout the year in conjunction with rising industrial activity and steady inventory accumulation. A final factor influencing excess reserves to a considerable extent was the $\$ 2.4$ billion rise of money in circulation.

## SELECTED BÚSINESS INDICATORS



WEEKLY BUSINESS INDICATORS•
|Weekly average, 1935-39=100, except as indicated; data beginning January 1939 for most of the series on a $1935-39$ base and 1939 and 1940 data for the New York Times index of business activity, also data beginning September 1939 for the price index of 28 basic commodities, are shown in table 32 , pp. $24-26$ of the November 1041 SURVET

| ITEM | 1942 |  | 1941 |  |  |  |  | 1940 |  | ITEM | 1942 |  | 1941 |  |  |  |  | 1940 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{gathered} \mathrm{Jan} . \\ 10 \end{gathered}$ | $\underset{3}{\mathrm{Jan}}$ | $\left\lvert\, \begin{gathered} \text { Dec. } \\ 27 \end{gathered}\right.$ | $\underset{20}{\text { Dec. }}$ | $\left\|\begin{array}{c} \text { Dec. } \\ 13 \end{array}\right\|$ | $\underset{11}{\mathrm{Jan} .}$ | $\frac{\mathrm{Jan}}{4}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Jan. } \\ 13 \end{gathered}$ | $\underset{6}{\operatorname{Jan}} .$ |  | $\underset{10}{ }$ | Jan. | $\begin{gathered} \text { Dec. } \\ 27 \end{gathered}$ | $\left\|\begin{array}{c} \text { Dec. } \\ 20 \end{array}\right\|$ | $\left\|\begin{array}{c} \text { Dec. } \\ 13 \end{array}\right\|$ | $\left.\begin{gathered} \text { Jan. } \\ 11 \end{gathered} \right\rvert\,$ | $\underset{4}{\mathrm{Jan}}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Jan. } \\ 13 \end{gathered}$ | $\underset{6}{\mathrm{Jan} .}$ |
| Business activity 9 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Finance: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| New York Times§ |  | 137.3 | 1360 | 135.2 | 1346 | 121.7 | 121.0 | 1106 | 1133 |  | 82.7 | 837 | 835 | 832 | 82.7 | 832 | 830 | 891 | 89.6 |
| Barron's, 1923-25-100. |  | 1394 | 1386 | 139.0 | 1393 | 128.0 | 1256 | 1194 | 1211 | Stock prices $\ddagger$ | 731 | 727 | 70.2 | 72.1 | 73.0 | 882 | 86.8 | 100.2 | 102.3 |
| Business wrek $\Delta, 1923-25=100$ |  | 1634 | 163. 9 | 163.9 | 164.2 | 143.0 | 1434 | 1236 | 1254 | Banking: <br> Debits outside N. Y. C. $\dagger$ | 139.7 | 1967 | 173.8 | 181.2 | 140.5 | 135.4 | 1623 | 105. 2 | 160.6 |
| Dept. of Labor. <br> Combined index, $1926=100 \ldots$ |  | 94.3 | 03.8 | 940 | 93.1 | 80.2 | 80.2 | 79.5 | 79.5 | Federal Reserve reporting member banks: | 139.7 | 180 | 17.8 | 181.2 | 140.5 | 130.4 | 162 | 105. 2 | 100. |
| Farm products ..-----.--- |  | 96.9 | 95.5 | 960 | 92.8 | 710 | 71.2 | 69.5 | 69.6 | Loans, total.....---..... | 132.2 | 132.7 | 1336 | 1334 | 132.6 | 108.6 | 109.6 | 1009 | 101.2 |
| Food. |  | 91.9 | 91. 2 | 91.6 | 90.4 | 730 | 73.2 | 71.8 | 718 | Currency in circulation | 175.0 | 176.0 | 176.7 | 1742 | 171.2 | 1358 | 137.4 | 1176 | 119.2 |
| All other |  | 941 | 93.9 | 93.9 | 938 | 844 | 84.4 | 84, 3 | 542 | Falures, commercial, 1939=100. | 71.7 | 48.1 | 56.9 | 76.7 | 81.3 | 92.6 | 63.3 | 97.8 | 88.3 |
| 28 basic commoditiesO...... | 162. 5 | 1593 | 158.8 | 158.5 | 159.8 | 120.8 | 118.8 | 122.3 | 1241 | Production Automobiles | 78.0 | 24,0 | 31.9 | 854 | 124.4 | 1502 | 994 | 144.3 | 113.4 |
| Combined index | 102.3 | 101. 2 | 101.1 | 100.9 | 100.1 | 858 | 85.4 | 86.1 | 86.3 | Bituminous coal $\ddagger$ |  | 150.9 | 125.6 | 138.0 | 139.9 | 129.6 | 135.1 | 129.2 | 134.8 |
| Copper, electrolytict | 112.9 | 1129 | 112.9 | 112.9 | 112.9 | 1129 | 1129 | 117.7 | 117.7 | Cotton manufacturing |  |  | 166.3 | 159.9 | 157.4 | 139.0 | 155.4 |  |  |
| Cotton, average, 10 markets $\ddagger$. | 168.8 | 164.7 | 160.3 | 1584 | 157.3 | 93.4 | 925 | 100.5 | 101.3 | Electric power. .-. |  | 154 | 151.8 | 164.1 | 1632 | 140.9 | 133.6 | 126.2 | 1201 |
| Construction contracts |  |  |  |  | 103.4 |  |  | 83.4 |  | Petroleumt. |  | 1275 | 128.9 | 136.3 | 1298 | 106.3 | 106.3 | 113.5 | 1132 |
| Distribution: Carloadings. |  | 1034 | 930 | 122.5 | 123, 8 |  |  | 1025 | 90.9 | Steel $\oplus .-$ | 178.4 | 177.9 | 172.9 | 181.2 | 180.5 | 171.9 | 173.4 | 150.6 | 1499 |
| Department store sales. |  | 107 | 174 | 277 | 236 | 9 | 85 | 86 | 82 | Receipts, primary markets: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Employment, Detroit, factory, |  |  |  |  | 112 |  |  |  |  | Cottonc |  |  |  |  | 109.9 | 98.7 | 76.4 | 118.5 | 113.7 |
|  |  | 97.4 |  |  | 1120 |  |  | 1067 |  |  | 47.3 | 627 | 927 | 952 | 1014 | 378 | 335 | 42.9 | 32.2 | Data do not cover calendar weeks in all cases. $\ddagger$ Seasonally adjusted. series; also the seasonal adjustment of the latter series was discontinued. Revised data for all weeks of 1941 are available upon reguest.

$\triangle$ Revised beginning Jan. 4, 1941: revisions not shown in the Weekly Supplement beginning with the Nov, 6, 1941 issue are available upon request.
$\ominus$ Thursday prices; August $1939=100$. †Seasonally adjusted index compiled by the N. Y. Cotton Exchange. ©Index for week ended Jan. 17 is 18
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WEEKLY BUSINESS STATISTICS*

| ITEM | 1942 |  | 1941 |  |  |  |  | 1940 |  | 1939 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Jan. 10 | Jan. 3 | Dec. 27 | Dec. 20 | Dec. 13 | Jan. 11 | Jan. 4 | Jan. 13 | Jan. 6 | Jan. 14 | Jan. 7 |
| COMMODITY PRICES, WHOLESALE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Copper, electrolytıc, New York $\ddagger . . .-\ldots . . .$. dol per lb.. | 0. 118 | 0.118 | 0118 | 0.118 | 0.118 | 0.118 | 0.118 | 0.123 | 0.123 | 0110 | 0110 |
| Cotton, middling, ${ }^{1516 \%}$, a verage, 10 markets $\mathbf{\$}$-.do.... | . 184 | . 179 | 174 | . 172 | 171 | . 102 | 101 | . 109 | 110 |  |  |
| Food index ( $D u n$ \& Bradstreet) ......-........-.-. do.... | 3.45 | 3.43 | 3. 42 | 3.39 | 3.37 | 2.50 | 2.48 | 235 | 2.34 | 2.31 | 233 |
| Iron and steel, composite......-..........-dol per ton... | 38.15 | 38.15 | 3815 | 38.15 | 3815 | 38.47 | 3847 | 37.09 | 37.09 | 36.37 | 3636 |
| Wheat, No. 2, Hard Winter(Kansas City) dol. per bu.-- | 1.24 | 1.23 | 121 | 1.22 | 1.21 | . 86 | . 86 | 101 | 1.04 | . 71 | . 72 |
| Banking: FINANCE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Debits, New York City ...................... of dol. | 3,515 | 4,537 | 4,365 | 5,444 | 4,060 | 4,118 | 4,150 | 3,301 | 4, 133 | 3,429 | 4,620 |
| Debits, outside New York City (140 cities).....do.... | 5,847 | 6,867 | 7.276 | 7,590 | 5,888 | 5,668 | 5,667 | 4,403 | 5,605 | 4,226 | 5,161 |
| Federal Reserve banks. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| U. S. Government securities. .-...-............. do | 2,254 | 2,254 | 2,243 | 2,240 | 2,196 | 2,184 | 2,184 | 2,477 | 2,484 | 2,564 | 2, 564 |
| Member bank reserve balances. . ....-......... do | 12,717 | 12,450 | 12,447 | 12,497 | 13, 219 | 14,284 | 14,026 | 11,830 | 11, 721 | 8,956 | 8,819 |
| Excess reserves, estimated ....-.--......-. do | 3,385 | 3,085 | 3,056 | 3,085 | 3,842 | 6,835 | 6,615 | 5,377 | 5,271 | 3,436 | 3,298 |
| Federal Reserve reporting member banks: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 5, 318 | 5, 348 | 5,347 | 5,374 | 5, 404 | 5, 419 | 5, 432 | 5, 274 | 5, 278 | 5,177 | 5. 161 |
|  | 18,810 | 18,715 | 18, 851 | 18,877 | 18,534 | 16,311 | 16, 137 | 14, 485 | 14, 413 | 13, 110 | 13,114 |
| Obhgations fully guaranteed by U, S. Govern- ${ }_{\text {O }}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 11,322 | 11,370 | 11,442 | 11,429 | 11,357 | 9, 303 | 9,390 | 8,646 | 8, 674 | 8,367 | 8,412 |
| Commerc'l, indust'l, and agricult'1 loans .--do.-.- | 6, 726 | 6,726 | 6, 784 | 6,769 | 6,675 | 5, 033 | 5,018 | 4,363 | 4,353 | 3,818 | 3,826 |
| Interest rates, call loans $\ddagger$........--......-.... percent.- | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1. 00 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1. 00 | 1.00 | 1. 00 | 1. 00 |
|  | 1.25 | 1.25 | 1.25 | 1. 25 | 1.25 | 1. 25 | 1.25 | 1.25 | 1.25 | 1. 25 | 1. 25 |
|  | 11,106 | 11, 169 | 11,212 | 11,056 | 10,801 | 8,615 | 8,720 | 7, 461 | 7, 565 | 6,718 | 6,823 |
| Exchange rates: Pound sterling $\ddagger$................-dollars.. | -4.c35 | a. 4.035 | -4035 | - 4.035 | -4.035 | a 4.035 | -4.035 | 3. 956 | 3938 | 4. 672 | 4.646 |
| Failures, commercial................-..............nnmber-. | , 203 | 136 | . 161 | 217 | 230 | 262 | 179 | 277 | 250 | 380 | 312 |
| Security markets: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Bond yellds (Moody's) (120 bonds) $\qquad$ percent-- | 3.35 | 46,39 | 3, 38 | $\begin{array}{r}1.63 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | 62, 3.35 | 3.37 | 3,36 | 3.61 | 3, 3.63 | 3.86 | 39,410 3.88 |
| Stock sales ( $N . Y_{\dot{\prime}}$ S. E.). thous. of shares.- | 3, 634 | 8,336 | 6,825 | 6,771 | 9,820 | 3,863 | 3,671 | 4,281 | 3,557 | 5,405 | 5,808 |
| Stock prices (N.Y.Times) $\ddagger$ - | 79.14 | 78.64 | 75,00 | 7803 | 78.98 | 95. 45 | 93.94 | 108. 50 | 110.73 | 103.99 | 107.33 |
| Stock prices (Stand, and Poor's) (402) ¢-1935-39=100- | 732 | 71. 5 | \%0.3 | 71.0 | 70.9 | 86.7 | 85.4 | 987 | 100.1 | 966 | 101.0 |
|  | 74.8 | 73.0 | 71.6 | 73.1 | 72.7 | 86.7 | 85.3 | 99.2 | 100.6 | 98.6 | 103.4 |
|  | 67.4 | 65.2 | 61.9 | 648 | 66.3 | 81.7 | 91.1 | 104.0 | 104. 4 | 93.8 | 94.4 |
| Railroads (20).....-.-.-............-.-.-............ do | 66.9 | 61.3 | 587 | 589 | 58.6 | 72.9 | 71.4 | 79.3 | 81.4 | 78.5 | 86.2 |
| PRODUCTION, CONSTRUCTION, AND <br> DISTRIMUTION |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | 1,960 | 1,632 | 1,792 | 1,817 | 1,683 | 1,755 | 1, 678 | 1,751 | I, 354 | 1,526 |
| Electric power $\triangle$.-...........------.--mul. of kw.hr |  | 3,287 | 3,234 | 3,495 | 3,476 | 3,002 | 2, 846 | 2,688 | 2, 558 | 2,329 | 2,239 |
| Petroleumt.---....---....................thous. of bbl |  | 4,038 | 4,081 | 4,314 | 4,110 | 3,364 | 3,367 | 3,592 | 3,584 | 3,244 | 3,215 |
|  | 96.4 | 96.1 | 934 | 97.9 | 97.5 | 95.1 | 95.9 | 861 | 85.7 | 51.7 | 50.7 |
| Construction contract awardst.-...........thous. of dol. |  |  |  |  | 9,722 |  |  | 7,845 |  | 10, 105 |  |
| Distribution: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Freight carloadings, total. . .-........-.............car |  | 674, 374 | 606, 526 | 798,697 | 807,225 | 711,675 | 614, 171 | 668,241 | 592,925 | 582, 244 | 529, 371 |
|  |  | 151, 812 | 126, 085 | 170, 260 | 168, 039 | 166, 063 | 135, 280 | 178, 054 | 161, 114 | 126, 760 | 124, 113 |
| Forest products. |  | 32, 453 | 26,487 | 43,135 | 42,377 | 37, 724 | 29, 819 | 30, 102 | 26, 120 | 26, 423 | 21,988 |
| Grains and grain produ |  | 31, 505 | 29,386 | 41,423 | 41,533 | 34, 421 | 26, 806 | 31, 872 | 27, 043 | 33, 931 | 29, 451 |
| Livestock |  | 10, 043 | 9,698 | 14, 528 | 13, 841 | 13, 044 | 10, 187 | 14,220 | 12,410 | 13, 152 | 12,823 |
| Merchandise, |  | 122, 600 | 123, 136 | 150,038 | 152, 741 | 146, 716 | 125, 101 | 144, 110 | 123, 274 | 145, 166 | 122,716 |
| Ore.....-...- |  | 13,024 | 11, 459 | 13,638 | 16,173 | 12, 612 | 12,623 | 9,495 | 9,369 | 7, 849 | 8,995 |
| Recelpts |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Cattle and calvest.-.........................thousands.. |  | 173 | 140 | 257 | 240 | 210 | 163 | 195 | 174 |  |  |
|  |  | 368 | 263 | 454 | 337 | 396 | 318 | 457 | 408 |  |  |
| Cotton into sighto ---.-.-.--......thous of bales.- |  |  |  |  | 256 | 230 | 178 | 276 | 265 | 114 | 48 |
| Wheat, at primary markets .-.-.-.-.--thous. of bu.- | 2.585 | 3,423 | 5,060 | 5,198 | 5, 536 | 2,062 | 1,829 | 2, 342 | 1,758 | 3,090 | 2,145 |

$\$$ Danly average. Data do not cover calendar weeks in all cases. Free rate. or Discontinued by the compiling agency, see note in the Jan. 8 issue.
$\{$ Revised series. See table 32, pp. $24-26$ of the Nov. 1941 SURVEY for stock prices beginning Jan. 1039 and cotton prices beginning Aug. 1939.

$\Delta$ Data for 1941 revised; revisions for are wow included and receipts at oklahoma City and Wichita, formerly included, are omitted.

MONTHLY BUSINESS STATISTICS

| Earlier data are available in monthly issues of the Surrey and the 1940 Supplement | 1941 | 1940 | 1941 |  | Eatlier date are available in monthly issues of the Survey and the 1940 Supplement | $\frac{1941}{} \frac{$ Decem-  <br>  ber }{} | $\frac{1940}{\substack{\text { Decem- } \\ \text { ber }}}$ | 1941 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Decem- } \\ \text { ber } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Decem- } \\ & \text { ber } \end{aligned}$ | October | November |  |  |  | October | $\begin{gathered} \text { Novem- } \\ \text { ber } \end{gathered}$ |
| CONSTRUCTION |  |  |  |  | FOODSTUFFS |  |  |  |  |
| Engineering construction: <br> Contract awards (E. N. R.) s.thous. of dol.- | 269,689 | 398,704 | 406,332 | 348,800 | Stocks, cold storage, end of month: <br> Butter, creamery thous, of lb | 114,611 | 41,497 |  |  |
| Construction cost indexes: |  |  |  |  |  | 201, 685 | 128,699 | 188, 727 | $\left\lvert\, \begin{aligned} & 180,002 \\ & \text { r } 189,002 \end{aligned}\right.$ |
| Associated General Contractors (all types) $1913=100$ | 203 | 193 | 202 | 203 | Eggs: <br> Shell. $\qquad$ thous. of cases. | - 551 | 614 | 3,857 | r 1,670 |
| Engineering News Record (all types) -do.--- | 267.6 | 249.7 | 266.1 | 266.2 | Frozen....-........-.-....thous. of lb- | 95,561 | 73.326 | 153,843 | - 129,533 |
| DOMESTIC TRADE - |  |  |  |  | Fish, total (tsth of month) --.......do do-- | 117, 273 | 100,088 | 107, 574 | + 115 , 445 |
| Receipts, postal: |  |  |  |  |  |  | 106,980 | 89.781 | -114, ${ }^{534}$ |
| 50 selected cities ------------thous. of dol-- | 48,802 | - 45.304 | 36,948 | 33, 805 | Beef and veal.-.............thous. of lb.- | 135,813 7,951 | 106,990 5,119 | 89,793 4,783 |  |
| 50 industrial cicies -------------------do----- | 6, 161 | - 5, 540 | 4,424 | 3,821 | Pork, total................................do. | 654, 501 | 950, 238 | 490,694 | r 6,432 $+526,735$ |
| Retail trade: |  |  |  |  | Fresh and cured.-............................. | 469,056 | 666, 169 | 313,268 | + $\mathbf{+} \mathbf{+} 50,270$ |
|  |  |  |  |  | Lard...-.... | 185, 4.5 | 294,069 | 177,426 | - 176, 465 |
| Sales, total U. S., unadjusted $1923-25=100$ | P 195 | 179 | 112 | 132 | Pouitry | 218, 374 | 208, 365 | 127,981 | - 172, 913 |
| Atlanta $\dagger$ - $-\ldots . . . . . . . . . . .-1935-39=100--$ | ${ }^{\square} 252$ | 223 | 138 | 169 | Tropical products: Coffee, visiblesupply, U.S .thous. of bass. |  |  |  |  |
| Boston....................1923-25=100 | 162 | 145 | 98 | ${ }_{+}+103$ | Raw sugar: | (a) | 1,157 | 1,580 | 1,393 |
| Chicagot.........................-di. do...- | P 130 | 199 | 123 | ${ }^{+146}$ | United States: |  |  |  |  |
| Clercland.-...................-.-. do. do. | P 2201 | 178 | 109 127 | 136 153 15 | Meltings, 8 ports...-.-.-...long tons.. | 318, 644 | 305, 978 | 404, 252 | 331,299 |
| Kansas City | P 183 | 158 | 106 | 106 | Stocks at refineries, end of month.do..- | 212, 667 | 1,170,278 | 789, 226 | 476,870 |
| Minneapolist............. 1935-39 $=100 \ldots$ | P 195 | 173 | 140 | 123 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Now York.-...............1923-25=100.. | ${ }^{7} 193$ | 184 | 112 | 130 | FUELS AND BYPRODUCTS |  |  |  |  |
|  | ${ }^{7} 102$ | 148 | 95 | 117 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Richmond.........................d. do. | - 1928 | 239 167 | 169 | 172 | Coal production: |  |  |  |  |
| Sales, total U. S., adjusted $\dagger$.-.........do | -110 | 101 | 105 | 116 | Aituminous...............................do..-. | 46,667 | 41, 400 | 49,800 | 3,832 $+43,770$ |
| Atlanta $\dagger$.--..............1935-39=100.. | 146 | 129 | 125 | 154 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Chicasot--................1923-25-100.. | - 129 | 118 | 117 | 133 | LEATHER AND PRODUCTS |  |  |  |  |
| Cleveland.............................do. | - 117 | 104 | 105 | 107 | Learini and phoducis |  |  |  |  |
|  | \% 130 | 116 | 113 | ${ }^{137}$ | Hides and skins: |  |  |  |  |
|  | ${ }^{2} 125$ | 111 | 117 | 123 | Livestock (federally inspected slaughter): |  |  |  |  |
| New York Philadelphia...........................dido.... | $\begin{array}{r}+107 \\ +89 \\ \hline 8\end{array}$ | 102 81 | 98 | 109 97 | Calves...-.-.-.-.-.-.-. thous. of animals.. | 457 | 437 | 536 | 476 |
| St. Louis..-..................................... | - 116 | 101 | 106 | 114 | Cattle ..........---.................- do | 1,004 | 858 | 1,119 | 11 |
| Mail-order and store sales: |  |  |  |  | Hhegs. | 5,767 | 6,063 | 4,157 | 4,561 1,424 |
| Total sales, 2 companies - thous of dol. | 204, 339 | 166, 723 | 164, 394 | 152,308 | Sheep | 1,571 | 1,416 | 1,682 | 1,424 |
| Montgomery Ward \& Co $\qquad$ do $\qquad$ <br> Sears Roebuck \& Co do $\qquad$ | $\begin{array}{r} 85,269 \\ 119,069 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 70,850 \\ & 95,873 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 68,138 \\ & 96,256 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 63,345 \\ & 88,963 \end{aligned}$ | Metals and manuractures |  |  |  |  |
| FINANCE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Banking: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Bank debits, total ( 141 cities) mill of dol-... New York City | 51,716 20 20 | 42,952 18,626 | 46,463 19,148 | 41,152 16,077 | Capacity .-.........-.-short tons per day.- | 162, 140 | 146, 770 | 156, 265 | 156, 855 |
| Now York Outside New York City | 20, 31118 | - $\begin{aligned} & 18,626 \\ & 24,327\end{aligned}$ | 19,148 | 16,077 25,075 | Number | 216 | 202 | 214 | 215 |
| Security markets: | 31, 118 | 24,327 | 27,315 | 25,075 | Productiont------- thous. of short tons.- | 5,012 | 4,548 | 4,856 | 4,703 |
| Bonds: |  |  |  |  | Steel ingots and steel for castings: $\dagger$ thort ton |  |  |  |  |
| Prices (J. S. Treasury bonds)t--dollars | 110.7 | 111.8 | 112.0 | 112.4 | Percent of capacity |  | 94 | ${ }_{99}$ | 98 |
| Yields: Moody's: |  |  |  |  | Nonferrous metals: |  |  |  |  |
| - Domestic corporate.....-...- percent.- | 3.35 | 3.36 | 3. 27 | 3. 26 | Copper: <br> Production |  |  |  |  |
| By ratings: |  |  |  |  | Mine or smelter (including custom |  |  |  |  |
| A8a | 2.80 | 2.71 | 2.73 2 28 | $\begin{array}{r}2.72 \\ 2 \\ \hline 8\end{array}$ | intake)....................short tons.. | 86,961 | 85,135 | - 86,019 | -84,718 |
| Aa | 2.95 3.27 | 2.92 3.36 | 2.87 3.21 | 2.86 3.19 |  | 89,940 | 97,035 | 86,617 | 84,799 |
|  | 3.27 4.38 | 3.36 4.45 | 3. 21 | 3. 19 4.28 |  | 137,368 | 112, 681 | 121,457 | 123, 168 |
|  |  |  |  |  | Stocks, refined, end of month.....do..... | 75, 564 | 142,772 | 67, 260 | 72,352 |
| Industrials....-.............d | 2.94 | 2.93 | 2.85 | 2.85 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Public utilities.-....-.......do...- | 3. 12 | 3. 13 | 3.05 | 3.04 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Rails....-...-.-.-...-...- do...- | 3. 99 | 4. 03 | 3. ${ }^{183}$ | 3.91 | Receipts, lead content of domestic ore | (a) | 38,847 | 39,390 | 40,930 |
| U. S. Treasury bonds..............do...... Stocks: | 1.97 | 1.89 | 1.88 | 1.85 | Zinc: ${ }^{\text {Pr }}$ |  |  |  |  |
| Cash divided payments and rates (Moody's): |  |  |  |  | Production, slab, at primary smelters.do-..-- | $\begin{aligned} & 78,635 \\ & 77,755 \end{aligned}$ | 65,354 70.270 | 76,156 73,989 | r 74.951 $\mathbf{7} 7363$ |
| Total annual payments at current rates |  |  |  |  |  | $65,690$ | 64,984 | 61,770 | - 61,154 |
|  | 1,927. 69 | 1,792.84 | $1,840.31$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1,889.13 \\ & 038 \end{aligned}$ | Stocks, refinery, end of month.-.....-do.-.-- | 24,062 | 17, 582 | 21, 594 | 23, 182 |
| Number of shares, adjusted--millions ${ }_{\text {dividend }}$ | 938.08 | 936.43 | $938.08$ | 938.08 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dividend rate per share (weighted average) ( 600 companies) _ _dollars | 2.05 | 1.01 | 1.96 | 2.01 |  | 1941 | 1940 |  | 41 |
| - Banks (21 companies) ...-....- do | 2.88 | 3.01 | 2.99 | 3.00 | Garlier data are available in monthly issues |  |  |  |  |
| Industrials (492 companics) .---do-.-- | 2.09 | 1.89 | 1.97 | 2.8 | of the Surrey and the 1940 Supplement |  |  |  |  |
|  | 2.69 1.81 | 2.54 1.97 | 2.62 1.86 | 2.82 1.82 |  | ber | ber | - ber- | October |
| Rails (36 companies) ...........-do. | 1.77 | 1.53 | 1.58 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Yields: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Common stocks (200), Moody's |  |  |  |  | Trancroortation |  |  |  |  |
| Banks (15 stocks) .................do.-.-- | 7.3 | 5.7 | 6.3 5.0 | 6.8 5.2 | Travel: |  |  |  |  |
| Industrials (125 stocks)..........-. - do- | 7.3 | 5.7 | 6.4 | 6.9 | Operations on scheduled air lines: |  |  |  |  |
| Insurance (10 stocks).............do | 4.5 | 4.2 | 4.1 | 4.1 | Miles flown---.-...---thous. of miles.. | 11,501 | 9,573 | 12,127 | 12,200 |
| Public utilities (25 stocks) ........do. | 7.6 | 5.9 | 6.6 | 6.9 | Express carried.-....-.-.-.-...-...potinds. | 1,689,093 | 1,205,261 | 1,962,284 | 1, 760, 770 |
| Rails (25 stocks)...................-d. ${ }^{\text {do }}$ | 8.2 | 6.2 | 6.5 | 6.8 | Passengers carried....-...-.-.-.-.-. | 324,546 | 239,858 | 455,647 | 420,393 |
| TRANSPORTATION AND. COMMUNICATIONS |  |  |  |  | Passenger-miles flown....thous, of miles... | 115,825 | 00,697 | 158,151 | 150,920 |
| Class I steam railways: <br> Freight carloadings (Fed. Res. inderes): |  |  |  |  | CHEMICALS AND ALLIED |  |  |  |  |
| Combined Index, unadj. --1923-25=100 | 128 | 112 | 144 | 141 |  |  |  |  | : |
| Coal -----------------------..- do. | 125 | 121 | 138 | 135 | Methanol: |  |  |  |  |
|  | 182 | 167 | 165 | 168 | Production: |  |  |  |  |
| Forest products.-.--............ do. | 129 | 119 | 147 | 143 | Crude (wood distilled).....-thous. of gal.. |  | 468 |  |  |
| Grains and grain products...-.....do. | 113 | 87 | 104 | 115 |  |  | 4,440 |  |  |
| Livestock -...-...-.-.............do. | 97 | 92 | 146 | 117 | Paint sales: |  |  |  |  |
|  | 96 | 95 | 101 | 101 | Calcimines, plastic, and cold-water paints: |  |  |  |  |
|  | 69 | 46 | 232 | 199 | Calcimines..................thous. of dol. | 161 | 140 | 195 | 171 |
| Miscellaneous.---...--...........-do | 138 | 116 | 151 | 150 | Plastic paints...................-.-. - do | 40 | 40 | 67 | 69 |
| Combined index, adjusted......-...do. | 137 | 119 | 127 | 135 | Cold-water paints: |  |  |  |  |
|  | 111 | 107 | 121 | 121 | In dry form...--....---------.-- do.. | 210 | 158 | 279 | 263 |
|  | 167 | 153 | 165 | 159 | In paste form...----.-----.......do | 278 | 273 | 462 | 471 |
|  | 145 | 133 | 140 | 146 | Paint, varnish, lacquer, and filers: |  |  |  |  |
| Grains and grain products..--.-.-do. | 124 | 96 | 97 | 118 | Total..-.-..........................do. | 39,789 | 30,795 | 48,354 | 49,103 |
|  | 101 | 96 | 95 | 93 | Classified, total.........................do. | 28,779 | 22,819 | 33, 981 | 34, 786 |
| Merchandise, l. c. l................do | 100 | 99 | 97 | 99 | Industrial--......-------------- ${ }^{\text {do }}$ | 14,914 | 11,336 | 15, 071 | 16. 823 |
|  | 246 | 164 | 178 | 204 | Trade. | 13,865 | 11, 483 | 18,910 | 17,962 |
| Miscellaneous.......................d. ${ }^{\text {do. }}$ | 149 | 125 | 133 | 144 | Unclassified | 11,010 | 7,976 | 14,373 | 14,317 |
| : Revised. Data for November are the Iatest available.$\dagger$ Revised serles. See note on corresponding item in the December 1941 Survey.§ Data for October 1941 are for 5 weeks; other months, 4 weeks. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

MONTHLY BUSINESS STATISTICS-Continued

| Earlier data are available in monthly issues of the Survey and the 1940 Supplement | 1941 | 1940 | 1941 |  | Earlier data are evailable in monthly issues of the Survey and the 1940 Supplement | 1941 | 1940 | 1941 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | November | November | $\begin{gathered} \text { Septem- } \\ \text { ber } \end{gathered}$ | October |  | Novem- ber | Novem- ber | September | October |
| CHEMICALS AND ALLIED PRODUCTS-Contintued |  |  |  |  | METALS AND MANUFACTURES* Continued |  |  |  |  |
| Cellulose plastic $p$ |  |  |  |  | Machinery and |  |  |  |  |
| Nitro cellulose, sheets, rods, and tubes; |  |  |  |  | Fuel equipment and heating apparatus- |  |  |  |  |
| Consumption. $\qquad$ thous, oflb.Production $\qquad$ do. | $\begin{array}{r} 268 \\ 1,483 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 207 \\ 1,061 \end{array}$ | 284 1,479 | $\begin{array}{r} 252 \\ \mathbf{1}, 521 \end{array}$ | ontinued. <br> ulverizers, orders, new | 43 | 52 | 42 | 61 |
|  | 1,560 | 1,131 | 1,565 | 1, 630 | Mechanical srokers, sales:- |  |  |  |  |
| Cellulose-acetate sheets, rods, and tubes: |  |  |  |  | Classes 1, 2, and 3... | 10,613 | 10,768 | 26,720 | 22,888 |
|  | 22 558 | 5 934 | $\begin{array}{r}19 \\ 585 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | 21 630 | Classes 4 and $5:$ | 264 | 249 |  | 401 |
|  | 609 | 1,037 | 622 | 712 | Horsepo | 53,020 | 45,487 | 83, 222 | 75, 296 |
| Moulding composition: |  |  |  |  | mps and water systems, domestie, ship- |  |  |  |  |
|  | 2,979 2,777 | 1,600 1,410 | 2,990 2,813 | $\begin{aligned} & 3,439 \\ & 3,453 \end{aligned}$ | ments: ${ }_{\text {itcher, }}$ other hand, and windmill pum |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 36, 741 | 30,134 | 39, 527 | 41,360 |
| FUELS AND BYPRODUCTS |  |  |  |  | Power pumps, horizontal type | 1,407 | 906 | 1,395 | 1,376 |
| Coke: |  |  |  |  | Water systems, including pumps...do.... | 19,927 | 15,477 | 24,386 | - 24,899 |
| Production: <br> Beehive. thous. of short to | 532 | 417 | 574 | 613 | Fumps, steam, power, centrifugal, and rotary: |  |  |  |  |
| Beehive---------.-.thous. of short to | 4,833 | 4, ${ }^{417}$ | 4, 806 | $\begin{array}{r}\text { 4,971 } \\ \hline 181\end{array}$ | Orders, new $\qquad$ thous. of dol.Electrical equipment: | 2,368 | 3,025 | 2,459 | 2,394 |
| Petroleum coke.-.................... do | 149 | 88 | 158 | 154 | Electrical equipment: |  |  |  |  |
| Stocks, end of month: Byproduct plants, total |  |  |  |  | Polyphase induction, billings |  |  |  |  |
| - | 1,668 | 1,997 | 1,588 | 1,616 | Polyphase induction, new orders...do..- | 5,388 5,410 | 3,524 <br> 4,628 | 6,016 6,560 | 6,298 |
| At furnace plants.-...----------- do------ | 817 | 1.713 1.284 | 889 699 | 871 745 | Direct current, billings............do...- | 5,410 | 4,628 1,297 | 6, 1,843 | 6,903 2,314 |
| Petroleum coke | 8300 | 1,284 | 670 | 745 362 | Direct current, new orde | 2,860 | 2,209 | 3,057 | 2,903 |
| Petroleum and products: Crude petroleum: |  |  |  |  | PAPER AND PRINTING |  |  |  |  |
| Consumption (runs to stills) |  |  |  |  | Wond pulp: |  |  |  |  |
| Production thous of bbl.. | 121,539 | 105,364 | 121,481 | 126,772 | Production: |  |  |  |  |
| Production | 123,355 88 | 107, 137 | 119,446 | 126,145 89 | Total, all grades...............short tons.- | 869,526 | 747,843 | 791,658 | 869,839 |
| Stocks end of month |  | - 82 |  | 8 | Sulphate, tot | 383,678 | 330,032 | 366, 362 | 396,929 |
| California: |  |  |  |  | Unbleached | 328,623 | 278, 315 | 312,395 | 338. 740 |
| Heavy crude and fuel. thous. of $b$ | 62, 7 | 73, 011 | 63,847 | 62,941 | Sulphite, tota | 256,464 | 218.582 | 240, 272 | 263, 129 |
| Light crude.-..--...-....-....do | 35, 082 | 35,043 | 34,875 | 34,852 | Bleache | 142, 832 | 125, 360 | 141,729 | 155, 239 |
| East of California, total.....-.-- do | 200, 602 | 220,645 | 203,481 | 201, 048 | Soda | 58,084 | 41, 104 | 50,295 | 54,518 |
| Refineries..-...........-.-.-.- do | 42,548 | 44, 873 | 41,975 | 42,446 | - Groundwood | 171,300 | 158, 125 | 134, 729 | 155, 263 |
| Tank farms and pipe lines....... do Refined petroleum products: | 158,056 | 175, 772 | 161, 506 | 158, 602 | Stocks, end of mont Total, all grades. | 98, 500 | 170,500 | 90,400 | 92,600 |
| Gas and fuel oils: |  |  |  |  | Chemical: | 88,500 | 170,500 | 99,400 | 92,600 |
| Production: |  |  |  |  | Sulphate, total----.....-...... do | 14,800 | 32,300 | 14,500 | 15,300 |
| Residual fuel oil --...-.-.-.-.-do | 29, 666 | 26,125 | 28,118 | 30,871 | Unbleached | 9,800 | 27, 600 | 10,100 | 9,900 |
| Gas oil and distillate fuels, total do | 16, 230 | 15,073 | 16,024 | 16,554 | Sulphite, total | 38,000 | 85, 300 | 37,600 | 38,700 |
| Stocks, end of month: |  |  |  |  | Bleached | 20,900 | 48, 600 | 23,100 | 22,700 |
| Residual fuel oil, east of Calif .d | 25, 118 | 24, 580 | 25, 224 | 26, 188 | Soda | 3,600 | 8,700 | 4,900 | 4,200 |
| Gas oil and distillate fuels, total.do---- | 42, 261 | 35, 885 | 39, 226 | 42,028 | Groundwoo | 42, 100 | 44, 200 | 42,400 | 34, 400 |
| Motor fuel: <br> Demand, domes |  |  |  |  | Paper: Total |  |  |  |  |
| Production, total | 61,243 | 50,931 | 60, 107 | 62, 288 | board: |  |  |  |  |
| Benzol...----- | , 287 | ${ }^{283}$ | -266 | 286 | Production | (a) | 949,422 | 1,137,109 | 1,240,060 |
| Straight run gaso | 24, 244 | 21,053 | 24,039 | 24,712 | Paper, excl. newsprint and paperboard: $\dagger$ |  |  |  |  |
| Cracked gasoline | 30,718 | 24,716 | 30, 188 | 31,328 | Orders, new_.....-----.-.-short tons.- | (a) | 424, 064 | 550,029 | 561,229 |
| Natural gasoline | 5,994 | 4,879 | 5,664 | 5,952 | Production......--.-----------.- do. | (a) | 420, 810 | 520,047 | 569, 324 |
| Natural gasoline blended | 4,717 | 4,133 | 4,854 | 5,123 | Shipments | (a) | 416,419 | 526, 069 | 581,758 |
| Stocks, gasoline, end of mon |  |  |  |  | Fine paper: $\dagger$ |  |  |  |  |
| At refineries | 79,378 49,351 | 73,429 46,695 | 74,761 46,151 | 74,698 $\mathbf{4 6 , 4 1 7}$ | Orders, new | (a) | 42,808 18,696 | 65,561 126,104 | 66,995 131,883 |
| Natural gasolin | 4,557 | 6,102 | 5,373 | 4,870 | Production. | (a) | 18,096 42,997 | 126, 145 | $\begin{array}{r}131,883 \\ 59 \\ \hline\end{array}$ |
| Kerosene: |  |  |  |  | Shipments. | (a) | 42, 375 | 56,064 | 63, 682 |
| Consumption, domestic.-......-. do | (1) | 6,768 | 5,624 | (l) | Stocks, end of month | (a) | 64, 835 | 48,056 | 44, 123 |
|  | 6,483 | 6, 431 | 5,949 | 6,355 | Wrapping paper: $\dagger$ |  |  |  |  |
| Stocks, refinery, end of month..-d | 10,843 | 10,473 | 11, 662 | 11,670 | Orders, new. | (*) | 158, 156 | 183, 054 | 197,035 |
| Lubricants: |  |  |  |  | Orders, unfilled, end of month.....d | (c) | 77,967 | 199,450 | 191, 666 |
| Consumption, domestic--------- do | (1) | 1,927 | 2,638 |  | Production. | (c) | 157, 204 | 186,853 | 204, 790 |
| Production--.--.------------ do | 3, 607 | 3,277 | 3,427 | 3,494 | Shipments | (c) | 156,992 | 185,418 | 205,921 |
| Stocks, refinery, end of month .-.-do | 4,762 | 6,799 | $\mathrm{za}_{7}$ | 7,487 | Stocks, end | (o) | 81,870 | 71,809 | 70,770 |
| LEATHER AND PRODUCTS |  |  |  |  | Consumption, waste paper-...----- do.... | 419,770 | 322,991 | 422, 361 | 464,446 |
| Leather: |  |  |  |  | Orders, new | 527, 829 | 426, 614 | 542, 792 | 595, 634 |
| Production: |  |  |  |  | Orders, unfilled, end of month | 433,788 | 128, 2272 | 444, 736 | 446,033 |
| Call and kip...........- thous. of skins | (a) | $91{ }^{1}$ | 1,084 | 1.209 | Production---- | 536,646 | 443, 274 | 538,405 | 583,668 $\mathbf{9 8 , 9}$ |
| Cattle hides...-.-.-...-- thous. of hides-- | (a) | 1,94 | 1,389 4,107 | $3 \times 371$ | Waste paper stocks, at mills. short tons.. | 167, 424 | 260, 320 | 218, 257 | 189, 98.9 |
| Sheep and lamb $\qquad$ | (a) | - 3,672 | 4,077 | 4,554 | RUBBER AND PRODUCTS | 167, | 260,320 | 218,257 |  |
| Stocks of cattle hides and leather, end of month: |  |  |  |  | Tires and tubes: |  |  |  |  |
| Total..-..........thous. of equiv. hides | (a) | 13,764 | 13, 469 | 13,880 | Pneumatic casings: |  |  |  |  |
| In process and finished..........-do | (a) | 9, 400 | 8, 374 | 13,88 8 5 | Production....................-- thousands.. | 3,964 <br> 4,048 | 4, 732 4,969 | 4,563 | 4,834 5,867 |
| Raw-.-...------------............d. ${ }^{\text {do }}$ | (a) | 4,364 | 5,122 | 5,502 |  | 4, 1,804 | 4, 4,435 | 5,269 | 5, |
| METALS AND MANUFACTURES |  |  |  |  | Stocks, end of month.....................d.d.....- | 4,043 | 9,163 | 5,154 | 4,123 |
| Nonferrous metals: |  |  |  |  | Inner ${ }^{\text {Production }}$............................-do | 3,725 | 4,104 | 4,143 | 4,137 |
| Bearing metal (white-base antifriction), |  |  |  |  | Shipments total.---...........--- - do | 3,825 | 4,690 | 4,792 | 5, 143 |
| consumption and shipments, total ( 60 |  |  |  |  | Stocks, end of month................do..- | 4,377 | 7,056 | 5,431 | 4,448 |
| manufacturers) $\dagger$--.-.---- thous, of 1 b .. | 3,271 | 2,373 | 3,977 | 3,688 | TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT |  |  |  |  |
| Consumed in own plants ( 38 mfrs.) do. | ${ }^{723}$ | 1. 622 | ${ }_{3} 911$ | 2757 | Hhanspontation mevipment |  |  |  |  |
| Shipments (38 manufacturers)......do. | 2,548 | 1,751 | 3,066 | 2,931 | Automobiles: |  |  |  |  |
| Machinery and apparatus: |  |  |  |  | Financing: |  |  |  |  |
| Electric overhead cranes: Orders, new..........thous. of dol. | 2,239 | 1,497 | 2,098 | 1,768 | Retail purchasers, total....thous. of dol.- New cars | 94,902 44,426 | 152,009 88,675 | $\begin{array}{r}104,079 \\ 43, \\ \hline 127\end{array}$ | 106,680 50,074 |
| Orders, unflled, end of month ....do. | 13,731 | 5,087 | 13, 814 | 13,503 |  | 50, 140 | 62,928 | 60, 370 | 56,303 |
|  | 1,955 | 615 | 1,923 | 2,071 |  | -30, 336 | 62, 607 | ${ }^{+} 281$ | 303 |
| Fuel equipment and heating apparatus: |  |  |  |  | Wholesale (mfrs. to dealers) -........do. | 194, 258 | 220,941 | 89, 333 | 198, 874 |
| Oil burners: |  |  |  |  | Retall automobile receivables outstand- |  |  |  |  |
| Orders, new, net......-......number.. | 20,155 | 22,705 | 34,143 | 27,451 | ing, end of month *.........mils, of dol.. | 1,379 | 1,137 | 1,494 | 1,435 |
| Orders, unfilled, end of month...do. | 16,747 | 7,562 | 22, 321 | 18,358 | Registrations: |  |  |  |  |
|  | 21, 766 | 24, 199 | 34, 707 | 31,414 | New passenger cars --.........-number-- | 163, 126 | 301, 430 | 125, 293 | 165,485 |
| Stocks, end of month..........--.-do. | 27,304 | 18,415 | 27, 294 | 27, 099 | New commercial cars .................do..... | 35, 885 | 46,618 | 43,882 | 41,352 |

[^0]*New series. See note on corresponding item in the December 1941 Survey.
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$\dagger$ Revised series. See note on corresponding Item in the December 1041 Survey.


[^0]:    - Revised, $\quad$ - Data for October are the latest available.

