



# SURVEY OF CURRENT BUSINESS WEEKLY SUPPLEMENT



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## SUMMARY OF BUSINESS TRENDS

**CONTROL** of the use of strategic materials was further extended last week by an order of the War Production Board, virtually halting nonessential construction. Certain types of building will be considerably curtailed since the new order specifically provides that no residential construction (except maintenance and repair) may be started without permission if the estimated cost is \$500 or more. Similarly, no new agricultural construction may be started if the estimated cost is \$1,000 or more. No other construction including institutional, highway, or utility construction, whether publicly or privately financed, may be undertaken without permission if the cost is \$5,000 or more.

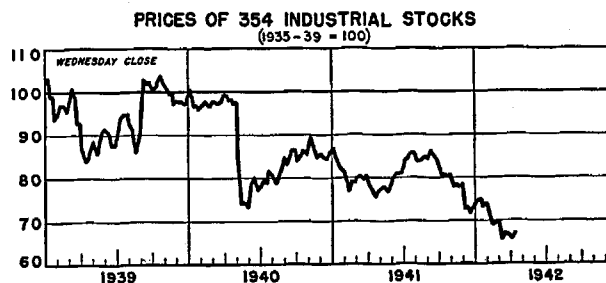
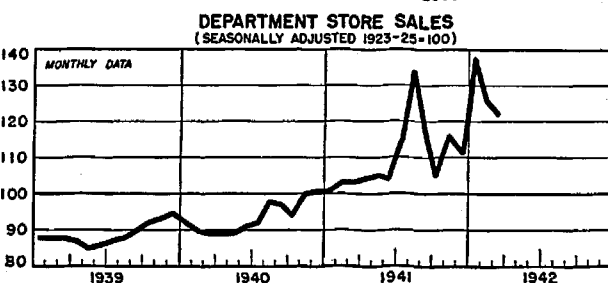
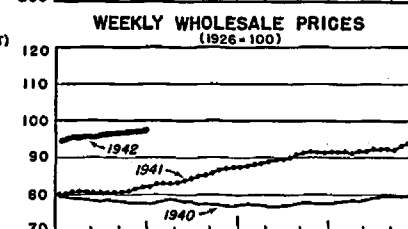
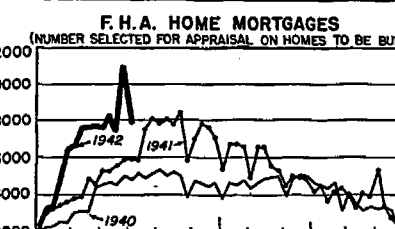
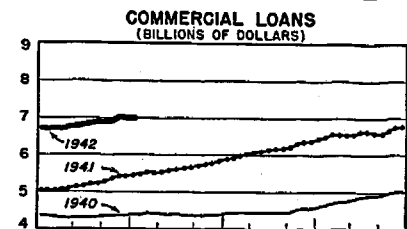
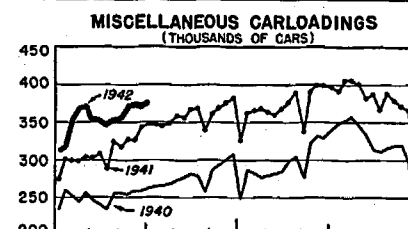
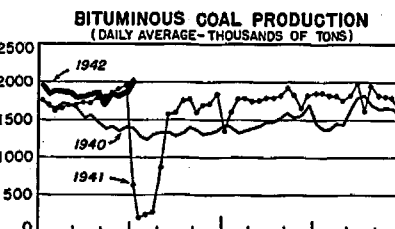
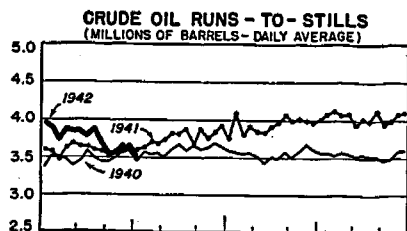
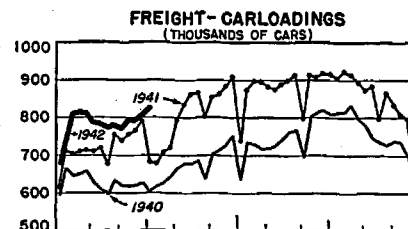
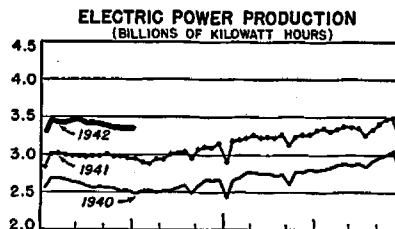
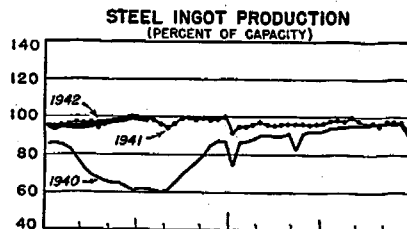
Although priority assistance has been denied residential and other projects of nonessential character since October 1941, such construction has been maintained in considerable volume. Construction contracts awarded as reported by the F. W. Dodge Corporation for 37 States during March, for example, for privately owned building construction amounted to \$138 million—approximately one-third less than a year ago but still a significantly large sum. For the first quarter, the value of these contracts for private building amounted to \$380 million, compared with \$558 million for the 1941 first quarter. While the new order will undoubtedly diminish the volume of new construction initiated on private account during the second quarter, the tremendous demands of the war program will result in the maintenance of building at a very high level.

Commodity prices continue to reflect the divergent trends of the supply of goods and the effective demand for goods. For

the week ended April 4, the weekly wholesale price index of the Bureau of Labor Statistics stood at 97.9 (1926=100), up 3.8 percent since the first week in January and up 30 percent since the outbreak of the war in September 1939. Farm products, foods, and textiles still lead the price advance, farm products having increased roughly 8 percent and food and textiles 6 percent since the beginning of the year.

Considerable variation is indicated in the movement of commodity prices, but the trend has been definitely upward. Between January 2 and April 10, the price of cotton rose nearly 13 percent with cotton textile prices advancing about one-half this percentage under the sliding-scale ceilings established by O. P. A. During the same period, prices of hogs and steers increased 26 percent and 8 percent, respectively, while the price of corn increased only 4 percent, and wheat prices fell somewhat. The prices of scrap and waste materials which had increased rapidly before the institution of Government control, have risen only 2 percent since the first of the year. For the week ended March 28, the price of waste paper increased 5 percent, while the prices of textile waste materials and especially of scrap metals increased but little. In fact, during the past year, scrap metal prices decreased nearly 16 percent as a result of the controls exercised by O. P. A. In retail markets, however, the movement is more consistent in an upward direction as earlier rises in wholesale markets are reflected in quotations to consumers, and the latter are in possession of enhanced money incomes to purchase wanted commodities.

## SELECTED 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 1941 Survey]

ITEM	1942					1941		1940		ITEM	1942					1941		1940	
	Apr. 11	Apr. 4	Mar. 28	Mar. 21	Mar. 14	Apr. 12	Apr. 5	Apr. 13	Apr. 6		Apr. 11	Apr. 4	Mar. 28	Mar. 21	Mar. 14	Apr. 12	Apr. 5	Apr. 13	Apr. 6
Business activity:										Employment, Detroit, factory, 1923-25=100									
New York Times†	136.0	133.8	133.8	133.7	120.6	121.7	98.3	98.1											
Barron's, 1923-25=100	146.0	144.1	143.0	141.8	131.2	132.2	100.0	100.5											
Business Week‡, 1923-25=100	180.0	178.6	177.1	175.9	144.6	146.4	104.8	104.3	Finance:										
Commodity prices, wholesale:									Bond yields†	82.5	82.7	83.0	83.5	83.5	84.0	83.7	87.4	87.7	
Dept. of Labor:									Stock prices†	64.5	63.5	63.8	64.0	63.6	80.3	82.2	101.4	101.1	
Combined index, 1926=100	97.9	97.4	97.2	97.1	82.9	82.2	78.0	77.6	Banking:										
Farm products	104.2	103.4	103.1	102.3	74.9	72.7	68.0	67.0	Debits, outside N. Y. C.†	130.2	160.3	150.1	166.3	132.5	114.5	147.1	93.3	123.9	
Food	97.2	95.9	95.5	95.8	77.5	76.7	70.8	69.7	Federal Reserve reporting member banks:										
All other	95.6	95.3	95.3	95.2	85.9	85.8	82.7	82.7	Loans, total	132.8	133.0	133.1	133.6	133.2	114.9	114.7	100.7	101.0	
28 basic commoditiesⓄ	167.3	167.2	166.4	165.8	136.8	134.8	115.0	112.1	Currency in circulation†	183.1	183.0	181.0	181.6	141.8	141.2	118.6	118.6		
Fisher's index, 1926=100:									Failures, commercial, 1939=100	76.0	85.9	94.7	68.2	79.2	84.8	94.3	121.6	96.8	
Combined index	105.4	104.8	103.8	103.6	89.2	88.7	84.5	83.7	Production:										
Copper, electrolytic†	112.9	112.9	112.9	112.9	113.9	112.9	108.2	105.3	Bituminous coal†	155.4	143.0	140.5	141.8	15.4	51.2	98.3	104.9		
Cotton, average, 10 markets†	187.4	186.8	182.9	178.1	177.7	101.6	102.1	97.6	Electric power	157.2	157.1	157.6	157.6	136.4	139.0	118.8	117.1		
Construction contracts	414.7	244.1	163.7	145.4	104.3	104.8	94.9	92.4	Petroleum†	108.0	120.7	118.6	111.0	113.8	111.0	121.7	118.3		
Distribution:									SteelⓄ	187.6	188.0	188.4	186.3	185.3	179.5	179.3	107.2	107.9	
Carloadings	127.1	123.4	122.2	122.6	104.3	104.8	94.9	92.4											
Department-store sales	160	147	140	131	136	131	97	112											

\*Data do not cover calendar weeks in all cases. †Seasonally adjusted. ‡Daily average. ⓄIndex for week ended Apr. 13 is 185.0.

†For New York Times index, computed normal=100; this index has been revised back to January 1941; 1941 and 1942 data are shown on the revised basis beginning with the Jan. 15, 1942, and Feb. 26, 1942, issues, respectively. The Business Week index has also been revised for 1941 and 1942; 1941 data are correct as published only beginning with the issue of Feb. 5, 1942; 1942 revisions were first shown in the issue of Mar. 19.

ⓄThursday prices; August 1939=100.

## WEEKLY BUSINESS STATISTICS\*

ITEM	1942					1941		1940		1939	
	Apr. 11	Apr. 4	Mar. 28	Mar. 21	Mar. 14	Apr. 12	Apr. 5	Apr. 13	Apr. 6	Apr. 15	Apr. 8
<b>COMMODITY PRICES, WHOLESALE</b>											
Copper, electrolytic, New York†	0.118	0.118	0.118	0.118	0.118	0.119	0.118	0.111	0.110	0.105	0.108
Cotton, middling, 1/16" average, 10 markets†	2.04	2.03	1.99	1.94	1.93	1.11	1.11	1.06	1.05	2.28	2.27
Food index (Dun and Bradstreet)	3.63	3.60	3.57	3.57	3.59	2.75	2.72	2.30	2.28	36.32	36.40
Iron and steel, composite	38.15	38.15	38.15	38.15	38.15	38.15	38.15	36.56	37.07	36.32	36.40
Wheat, No. 2, Hard Winter (Kansas City) †	1.16	1.18	1.19	1.21	1.22	.88	.89	1.04	1.03	.69	.69
<b>FINANCE</b>											
Banking:											
Debits, New York City	3,143	3,999	3,650	4,289	3,790	3,243	4,720	3,122	4,423	2,714	3,641
Debits, outside New York City (140 cities)	6,455	6,713	6,290	6,967	5,547	4,794	6,160	3,903	5,189	3,672	4,536
Federal Reserve banks:											
Federal Reserve bank credit, total	2,384	2,339	2,326	2,351	2,347	2,235	2,244	2,500	2,512	2,584	2,584
U. S. Government securities	2,243	2,244	2,244	2,249	2,253	2,184	2,184	2,467	2,467	2,564	2,564
Member bank reserve balances	12,715	12,496	12,527	12,939	12,968	13,506	12,575	12,305	9,528	9,318	9,318
Excess reserves, estimated	3,169	2,999	2,847	3,161	3,266	6,027	5,941	5,949	5,815	3,879	3,708
Federal Reserve reporting member banks:											
Deposits, demand, adjusted	24,799	24,197	24,574	25,010	25,129	23,400	23,093	19,465	19,175	16,388	16,072
Deposits, time	5,117	5,120	5,125	5,129	5,153	5,457	5,441	5,360	5,355	5,212	5,215
Investments, total	19,502	19,100	19,379	19,585	19,623	17,292	17,124	14,835	14,666	13,571	13,470
U. S. Government direct obligations	13,080	12,705	12,942	13,058	13,215	10,726	10,578	8,938	8,848	8,213	8,145
Obligations guaranteed by U. S. Govt.	2,696	2,684	2,702	2,701	2,720	2,751	2,753	2,379	2,380	2,038	2,035
Loans, total	11,381	11,394	11,402	11,446	11,411	9,846	9,828	8,631	8,649	8,120	8,164
Commercial, industrial, and agricultural loans	6,975	7,003	7,008	7,035	6,959	5,494	5,465	4,393	4,414	3,852	3,838
Interest rates, call loans†	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†	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25
Interest rates, discount†	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25
Interest rates, call money†	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25
Interest rates, time money†	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25
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Interest rates, call money†	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25
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Interest rates, discount†	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25
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Interest rates, time money†	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25
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Interest rates, discount†	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25
Interest rates, call money†	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1						

	1942		1941		1942		1942	1941	1942	
	March	March	January	February	March	March			January	February
<p>Earlier data are available in monthly issues of the Survey and the 1940 Supplement</p>										
<b>COMMODITY PRICES</b>					<b>TRANSPORTATION—Continued</b>					
Retail prices, Fairchild's index:					Class I Steam Railways—Continued.					
Combined index.....Dec. 31, 1940=100.....					Freight carloadings—Continued.					
Apparel:					Combined index, adjusted.....1935-39=100.....					
Infants'.....do.....					Coal.....do.....					
Men's.....do.....					Coke.....do.....					
Women's.....do.....					Forest products.....do.....					
Home furnishings.....do.....					Grains and grain products.....do.....					
Piece goods.....do.....					Livestock.....do.....					
					Merchandise, l. c. l.....do.....					
					Ore.....do.....					
					Miscellaneous.....do.....					
<b>DOMESTIC TRADE</b>					<b>FOODSTUFFS</b>					
Receipts, postal:					Stocks, cold storage, end of month:					
50 selected cities.....thous. of dol.....					Butter, creamery.....thous. of lb.....					
50 industrial cities.....do.....					Cheese, total.....do.....					
Department stores:					Eggs:					
Sales, total U. S., unadjusted.....1923-25=100.....					Shell.....thous. of cases.....					
Atlanta.....do.....					Frozen.....thous. of lb.....					
Boston.....do.....					Fish, total (15th of month).....do.....					
Chicago.....do.....					Total, meats.....mil. of lb.....					
Cleveland.....do.....					Beef and veal.....thous. of lb.....					
Dallas.....do.....					Lamb and mutton.....do.....					
Kansas City.....do.....					Port, total.....do.....					
Minneapolis.....do.....					Fresh and cured.....do.....					
New York.....do.....					Lard.....do.....					
Philadelphia.....do.....					Poultry:					
Richmond.....do.....					Livestock:					
St. Louis.....do.....					Cattle and calves:					
San Francisco.....do.....					Receipts, principal mkts. thous. of animals.....					
Sales, total U. S., adjusted.....1923-25=100.....					Disposition:					
Atlanta.....do.....					Local slaughter.....do.....					
Chicago.....do.....					Shipments, total.....do.....					
Cleveland.....do.....					Stock and feeder.....do.....					
Dallas.....do.....					Hogs:					
Minneapolis.....do.....					Receipts, principal markets.....do.....					
New York.....do.....					Disposition:					
Philadelphia.....do.....					Local slaughter.....do.....					
St. Louis.....do.....					Shipments, total.....do.....					
San Francisco.....do.....					Stock and feeder.....do.....					
					Sheep and lambs:					
					Receipts, principal markets.....do.....					
					Disposition:					
					Local slaughter.....do.....					
					Shipments, total.....do.....					
					Stock and feeder.....do.....					
					Raw sugar, United States:					
					Meltings, 3 ports.....long tons.....					
					Stocks at refineries, end of month.....do.....					
<b>CONSTRUCTION AND REAL ESTATE</b>					<b>LEATHER AND PRODUCTS</b>					
Contract awards:					Livestock (federally inspected slaughter):					
F. W. Dodge Corporation (37 States):					Calves.....thous. of animals.....					
Total projects.....number.....					Cattle.....do.....					
Total valuation.....thous. of dol.....					Hogs.....do.....					
Building, total.....do.....					Sheep and lambs.....do.....					
Engineering construction:					Hides and skins:					
Contract awards (E. N. R.).....do.....					Livestock (federally inspected slaughter):					
Highway construction:					Calves.....thous. of animals.....					
Concrete pavement contract awards:					Cattle.....do.....					
Total.....thous. of sq. yd.....					Hogs.....do.....					
Airports.....do.....					Sheep and lambs.....do.....					
Roads.....do.....					Metals and manufactures:					
Streets and alleys.....do.....					Iron ore (Lake Superior district):					
Construction cost indexes:					Shipments from upper lake ports					
Asso. General Contractors.....1913=100.....					thous. of long tons.....					
Engineering News Record (all types).....do.....					Pig iron and iron manufactures:					
					Pig iron:					
					Furnaces in blast, end of month:					
					Capacity.....short tons per day.....					
					Number.....do.....					
					Production.....thous. of short tons.....					
					Steel, crude and semimanufactured:					
					Production.....thous. of short tons.....					
					Percent of capacity.....do.....					
					Nonferrous metals:					
					Copper:					
					Production:					
					Mine or smelter (including custom intake).....short tons.....					
					Refinery.....do.....					
					Deliveries, refined, total.....do.....					
					Stocks, refined, end of month.....do.....					
					Zinc:					
					Production, slab, at primary smelters.....short tons.....					
					Shipments, total.....do.....					
					Domestic.....do.....					
					Stocks, refinery, end of month.....do.....					
					Rayon:					
					Deliveries (consumption), yarn*.....mil. of lb.....					
					Stocks, yarn, end of mo.....do.....					
					Textile products:					
					American Railway Car Institute:					
					Shipments:					
					Freight cars, total.....number.....					
					Domestic.....do.....					
					Passenger cars, total.....do.....					
					Domestic.....do.....					

\* Revised.  
 † Preliminary.  
 \*New series. See note on corresponding item in the March 1942 Survey.  
 †Revised series. See note on corresponding item in the March 1942 Survey.  
 ‡Partially tax-exempt bonds.  
 §Data for January 1942 are for 5 weeks; other months, 4 weeks.

Earlier data are available in monthly issues of the Survey and the 1940 Supplement	1942				1941				Earlier data are available in monthly issues of the Survey and the 1940 Supplement	1942				1941				1942
	February	February	December	January	February	February	December	January		February	February	December	January	February	February	December	January	
<b>BUSINESS INDEXES</b>																		
Income payments: †																		
Indexes, adjusted:																		
Total income payments..... 1935-39=100.....	156.7	127.2	154.6	155.8														
Salaries and wages..... do.....	185.7	134.8	161.5	163.4														
Total nonagricultural income..... do.....	153.4	128.5	150.3	151.9														
Total..... mil. of dol.....	7,975	7,127	9,397	8,440														
Salaries and wages:																		
Total..... do.....	5,731	4,732	5,830	5,683														
Commodity-producing industries..... do.....	2,587	1,983	2,550	2,637														
Distributive industries..... do.....	(1)	1,114	1,400	(1)														
Service industries..... do.....	(1)	867	951	(1)														
Government..... do.....	(1)	689	842	(1)														
Work-relief wages..... do.....	72	121	87	77														
Direct and other relief..... do.....	95	96	92	94														
Social-security benefits and other labor income..... mil. of dol.....	173	159	159	174														
Dividends and interest..... do.....	433	934	1,583	816														
Entrepreneurial income and net rents and royalties..... mil. of dol.....	1,543	1,204	1,673	1,673														
Total nonagricultural income..... do.....	7,251	6,632	8,456	7,594														
<b>EMPLOYMENT AND WAGES</b>																		
National Industrial Conference Board:																		
Average weekly hours per worker in factories																		
..... hours.....	42.4	41.0	41.6	42.4														
Factory average weekly earnings..... dollars.....	37.49	31.41	36.08	* 37.47														
Factory average hourly earnings..... do.....	.880	.764	.868	* .878														
<b>CHEMICALS AND ALLIED PRODUCTS</b>																		
Paint sales:																		
Calcimines, plastic and cold-water paints:																		
Calcimines..... thous. of dol.....	172	182	217	190														
Plastic paints..... do.....	36	43	47	46														
Cold-water paints:																		
In dry form..... do.....	196	159	175	185														
In paste form..... do.....	323	279	496	428														
Cellulose plastic products:																		
Nitro-cellulose, sheets, rods, and tubes:																		
Consumption..... thous. of lb.....	251	230	269	272														
Production..... do.....	1,377	1,132	1,485	1,618														
Shipments..... do.....	1,545	1,145	1,658	1,755														
Cellulose-acetate, sheets, rods, and tubes:																		
Consumption..... thous. of lb.....	33	3	23	24														
Production..... do.....	567	344	501	585														
Shipments..... do.....	504	335	550	542														
Moulding composition:																		
Production..... do.....	3,478	1,879	3,397	3,789														
Shipments..... do.....	3,225	1,642	3,165	3,597														
<b>LEATHER AND PRODUCTS</b>																		
Leather:																		
Production:																		
Calf and kip..... thous. of skins.....	974	1,014	1,048	* 922														
Cattle hides..... thous. of hides.....	2,482	2,134	2,572	2,630														
Goat and kid..... thous. of skins.....	3,981	3,067	4,441	* 4,226														
Sheep and lamb..... do.....	4,555	3,877	4,303	4,163														
Stocks of cattle hides and leather, end of month:																		
Total..... thous. of equiv. hides.....	13,932	13,624	14,021	14,118														
In process and finished..... do.....	8,774	9,385	8,691	8,818														
Raw..... do.....	5,158	4,239	5,330	5,300														
<b>METALS AND MANUFACTURES</b>																		
Iron ore (Lake Superior district):																		
Consumption by furnaces																		
..... thous. of long tons.....	6,403	5,673	7,062	7,158														
Stocks, end of month, total..... do.....	27,526	24,195	40,457	33,919														
At furnaces..... do.....	23,835	21,100	35,563	29,627														
On Lake Erie docks..... do.....	3,691	3,096	4,894	4,292														
Pig iron and iron manufactures:																		
Castings, malleable:																		
Orders, new..... short tons.....	66,292	76,055	56,587	105,556														
Production..... do.....	65,140	63,331	71,311	68,741														
Shipments..... do.....	62,724	62,066	70,744	65,217														
Boilers, range, galvanized:																		
Orders, new, net..... number of boilers.....	53,809	80,583	41,343	42,781														
Orders, unfilled, end of month..... do.....	77,190	50,777	80,844	72,366														
Production..... do.....	49,217	74,113	55,856	50,557														
Shipments..... do.....	48,985	75,421	54,465	51,259														
Stocks, end of month..... do.....	17,444	37,916	17,785	17,212														
Steel, crude and semimanufactured:																		
Steel castings:																		
Orders, new, total..... short tons.....	179,880	105,125	113,034	150,551														
Percent of capacity..... do.....	153.7	89.8	96.5	128.6														
Railway specialties..... short tons.....	54,409	29,103	26,839	35,723														
Production, total..... do.....	133,726	85,492	131,518	134,778														
Percent of capacity..... do.....	114.3	73.0	112.4	115.2														
Railway specialties..... short tons.....	45,013	28,692	45,640	46,357														
Steel, manufactured products:																		
Furniture, steel:																		
Office furniture:																		
Orders, new..... thous. of dol.....	3,194	3,852	4,612	4,490														
Orders, unfilled, end of month..... do.....	6,340	4,102	7,105	7,335														
Shipments..... do.....	4,188	3,368	4,338	4,236														
Shelving:																		
Orders, new..... do.....	1,094	940	888	1,082														
Orders, unfilled, end of month..... do.....	1,490	829	1,365	1,405														
Shipments..... do.....	994	890	1,058	1,042														
<b>METALS AND MANUFACTURES—Con.</b>																		
Machinery and apparatus:																		
Electric overhead cranes:																		
Orders, new..... thous. of dol.....	5,577	2,291	3,163	5,927														
Orders, unfilled, end of month..... do.....	21,622	11,034	14,654	18,415														
Shipments..... do.....	2,197	1,102	2,216	2,079														
Fuel equipment and heating apparatus:																		
Oil burners:																		
Orders, new, net..... number.....	16,006	16,328	23,225	19,784														
Orders, unfilled, end of month..... do.....	16,428	10,590	18,057	18,588														
Shipments..... do.....	17,996	16,091	21,915	19,253														
Stocks, end of month..... do.....	28,124	19,941	28,900	27,639														
Pulverizers, orders, new..... do.....	22	56	46	109														
Mechanical stokers, sales:																		
Classes 1, 2, and 3..... do.....	7,808	5,416	8,303	6,153														
Classes 4 and 5:																		
Number..... do.....	316	177	289	241														
Horsepower..... do.....	81,890	42,510	72,229	66,426														
Pumps and water systems, domestic, shipments:																		
Pitcher, other hand, and windmill pumps																		
..... units.....	37,012	41,504	31,663	36,899														
Power pumps, horizontal type..... do.....	* 359	849	1,984	1,150														
Water systems, including pumps..... do.....	17,282	16,703	20,809	17,423														
Pumps, steam, power, centrifugal, and rotary:																		
Orders, new..... thous. of dol.....	5,784	4,482	2,459	4,138														
Electrical equipment:																		
Domestic appliances, sales billed:																		
Ranges..... units.....	39,945	51,790	48,705	30,196														
Vacuum cleaners, floor type..... do.....	108,777	129,302	113,416	102,292														
Vacuum cleaners, hand type..... do.....	16,157	34,696	14,446	21,288														
Furnaces, electric, industrial, sales:																		
Unit..... kilowatts.....	23,961	21,508	12,298	21,520														
Value..... thous. of dol.....	2,491	1,719	1,149	1,882														
<b>PAPER AND PRINTING</b>																		
Wood pulp:																		
Production:																		
Total, all grades..... short tons.....	826,919	715,577	848,056	916,708														
Chemicals:																		
Sulphate, total..... do.....	369,792	322,355	373,737	403,435														
Unbleached..... do.....	316,197	268,405	324,942	347,383														
Sulphite, total..... do.....	247,032	202,323	253,004	274,704														
Bleached..... do.....	141,637	120,137	145,138	156,252														
Soda..... do.....	52,910	44,547	53,737	57,389														
Groundwood..... do.....	157,185	146,352	167,578	181,180														