

# SURVEY OF CURRENT BUSINESS **WEEKLY SUPPLEMENT**





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### SUMMARY OF BUSINESS TRENDS

INDUSTRIAL activity in the aggregate is continuing to make moderate gains as the output of war goods moves sharply higher. The Federal Reserve Board's adjusted index of industrial production stands at 174 (1935-39=100) for March, up 1 point from February and 3 points since the beginning of the year. The steel industry contributed to the increase with the record-breaking production of 7,393,000 tons for the month—98.3 percent of capacity. Steel output at present, however, is lagging slightly as furnace repairs are being made necessary by the high rates of operation. Emphasis is still on the production of certain finished products, such as steel plates for the large shipbuilding program.

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Bituminous coal output in March compared favorably with production in March of last year when activity was high in anticipation of the April strike. Production from January through March 28, on a daily average basis, was 5 percent greater than for a year ago, with present production continuing high as consumers are urged to stock up now in order to ease pressure on transportation facilities later in the year.

Crude oil production, on the other hand, continues to fall as shortages in transport and storage facilities hamper the industry. Daily average production for the week ended April 11 was 3.5 million barrels compared with 3.7 million barrels for the month

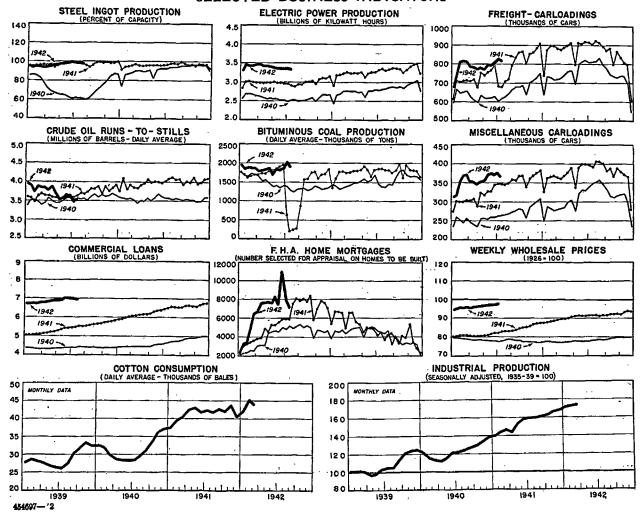
million barrels compared with 3.7 million barrels for the month of March. For similar reasons, gasoline production has also been

declining, production for the week ended April 11 falling to the lowest point for the year. Gasoline stocks on the East Coast have declined to 17 million barrels from the 20 million barrels on hand at the year end. In view of this situation, the War Production Board recently curtailed further filling station supplies of gasoline in 17 Atlantic Coast States, the District of Columbia, and the States of Oregon and Washington. Filling stations are now limited to one-third their average deliveries from December to February. This restriction is the most severe which has yet

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Although the volume of rail shipments remains large, the Federal Reserve Board's seasonally adjusted index of freight carloadings declined in March to 136 (1935-39=100) from 139 in February and 140 in January. The chief reason for the drop in this index is the failure of the industrially important miscellaneous group to make the expected seasonal gain. Increased war shipments did not completely offset the reduction in the shipments of many durable consumer items, the output of which has been curtailed by various limitation orders. However, with noncivilian output expected to expand markedly between now and next autumn when we may expect the usual seasonal peak in loadings, the railroads will be called upon to move even substantially larger volumes.

#### SELECTED BUSINESS 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 1941 Survey]

	1942   1941   1940		1942				1941		1940										
ITEM	Apr. 18	Apr.	Apr.	Mar. 28	Mar. 21	Apr. 19	Apr.		Apr. 13	ITEM	Apr. 18	Apr. 11	Apr.	Mar. 28		Apr. 19	Apr. 12	Apr. 20	Apr. 13
Business activity: ¶ New York Times § Barron's, 1923-25=100									98.3 100.0	Employment, Detroit, factory, 1923-25=100.				111.0			108. 9		108.3
Business Week§, 1923-25=100 Commodity prices, wholesale:									104. 8	Bond yieldst Stock pricest		82. 5 64. 5	82. 7 63. 5	83. 0 63. 8	83. 5 64. 0	84. 2 78. 6	84.0 80.3	87. 7 100. 2	87. 4 101. 4
Dept. of Labor: Combined index, 1926=100 Farm products		98. 1 104. 6	104.2	103. 4	103.1	75.0	74.9	69.6	68.0	Federal Reserve reporting	145. 4	130. 2	160.3	150. 1	166.3	128. 7	114. 5	110.3	93. 3
Food		95.6	95. 6	95.3	95.3	86.0	85.9	71.9 82.6 117.4	82.7	Loans, totalCurrency in circulation!	183. 4	132. 8 183. 1	183.0	181.0	181.0	141.8	141.8	118.8	118.6
Fisher's index, 1926=100: Combined indexCopper, electrolytic‡	105.6 112.9	105. 4 112. 9	104.8 112.9	103. 8 112. 9	103.8 112.9	89. 7 112. 9	89. 2 113. 9	84. 8 108. 1	84. 5 106. 2	Bituminous coalt		76.0 144.3	155. 4	143. 0	140. 5	17. 9	13. 9	93.6	98.3
Cotton, average, 10 markets‡ Construction contracts‡ Distribution:	186.1	187.4	186.8	182. 9	178. 1	102. 2	101.6	97.8	97.6	Electric power Petroleum‡ Steel⊕		111.9	108.0	120.7	116.6	118.5	113.8	121.9	118.8 121.7 107.2
Carloadings. Department-store sales.		124. 9 120	127. 1 160	123. 4 147	122. 2 140	108.7 117	104.3 136	96. 4 99		1			10010		100.0	_,,,,		100.0	

Data do not cover calendar weeks in all cases. Seasonally adjusted. Daily average. Holder for week ended Apr. 25 is 185.7. 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.

Othersday prices; August 1939=100.

## WEEKLY BUSINESS STATISTICS.

			1942			19	41	19	40	193	39
ITEM	Apr. 18	Apr. 11	Apr. 4	Mar. 28	Mar. 21	Apr. 19	Apr. 12	Apr. 20	Apr. 13	Apr. 22	Apr. 15
COMMODITY PRICES, WHOLESALE Copper, electrolytic, New Yorkt	0.118		0.110	0.110						0.100	0.105
Cotton, middling, 15/16" average, 10 markets 1do Food index (Dun and Bradstreet) do	. 203 3, 65	0. 118 . 204 3. 63	0. 118 . 203 3. 60	0. 118 . 199 3. 57	0.118 ,194 3.57	0.118 .111 2.77	0. 119 . 111 2. 75	0.113 .106 2.30	0.111 .106 2.30	0. 103 2. 28	0. 105 2. 28
Wheat, No. 2, Hard Winter (Kansas City)_dol. per bu_	56. 73 1. 14	56. 73 1. 16	56. 73 1. 18	56. 73 1. 19	56. 73 1. 21	56, 73 . 88	56. 73 . 88	55. 50 1. 08	55. 30 1. 04	56, 50 , 69	56, 50 . 69
FINANCE Banking: Debits. New York Citymil. of dol	3, 807	3, 143	3, 999	3, 650	4, 289	3,398	3, 243	3, 640	3, 122	3, 270	2,714
Debits, New York City mil. of dol. Debits, outside New York City (140 cities) do Federal Reserve banks:		5, 455	6,713	6, 290	6, 967	5, 387	4,794	4, 621	3,903	4,091	3,672
Federal Reserve bank credit, totaldoU.S. Government securitiesdoMember bank reserve balancesdoExcess reserves, estimateddoFederal Reserve reporting member banks:	2, 415 2, 259 12, 502 2, 868	2, 384 2, 243 12, 715 3, 169	2, 339 2, 244 12, 496 2, 999	2, 326 2, 244 12, 527 2, 847	2, 351 2, 249 12, 939 3, 161	2, 286 2, 184 13, 979 6, 264	2, 235 2, 184 13, 656 6, 027	2, 514 2, 467 12, 757 6, 048	2, 500 2, 467 12, 575 5, 949	2, 591 2, 564 9, 743 3, 998	2, 584 2, 564 9, 528 3, 879
Deposits, demand, adjusteddo Deposits, timedo Investments, totaldodo		24, 799 5, 117 19, 502 13, 080	24, 197 5, 120 19, 100 12, 705	24, 574 5, 125 19, 379 12, 942	25, 010 5, 129 19, 585 13, 058	23, 577 5, 450 17, 292 10, 739	23, 430 5, 457 17, 292 10, 726	19, 655 5, 312 14, 936 9, 002	19, 465 5, 360 14, 835 8, 938	16, 619 5, 213 18, 684 8, 273	16, 388 5, 212 13, 571 8, 213
Obligations guaranteed by U. S. Govtdo Loans, totaldodo Commerc'l, indust'l, and agricult'l loansdo Interest rates cell loans t	2, 682 11, 332 6, 948	2, 696 11, 381 6, 975 1, 00	2, 684 11, 394 7, 003 1, 00	2, 702 11, 402 7, 008 1, 00	2, 701 11, 446 7, 035 1, 00	2, 755 9, 871 5, 530 1, 00	2, 751 9, 846 5, 494 1, 00	2, 406 8, 653 4, 430 1, 00	2, 379 8, 631 4, 393 1, 00	2, 030 8, 124 3, 858 1, 00	2, 038 8, 120 3, 852 1, 00
Currency in circulation t mil. of dol.  Exchange rates: Pound sterling t dollars. Failures, commercial number	1, 25 11, 637 4, 035 224	1. 25 11, 616 4. 035 215	1, 25 11, 610 4, 035 243	1, 25 11, 485 4 4, 034 268	1. 25 11, 482 4. 035 193	1, 25 8, 997 4 4, 014 267	1, 25 8, 996 4, 029 240	1, 25 7, 538 • 3, 510 262	1. 25 7, 523 • 3. 515 344	1, 25 6, 871 4, 680 316	1, 25 6, 856 4, 680 313
Security markets:  Bond sales (N. Y. S. E.)thous. of dol. par value— Bond yields (Moody's) **		47, 901 3. 34 1, 724 69. 84	40, 978 3, 35 1, 338 68, 74	75, 640 3, 36 1, 707 69, 11	61,030 3.38 1,864 69.23	34, 610 3, 41 2, 466	37, 090 3, 40 2, 326 86, 91	33, 210 3, 55 6, 750	42, 310 3, 54 6, 895	24, 880 3. 85 2, 467	35, 440 3, 88 6, 553 89, 78
Stock prices (Stand. and Poor's) (402)   1935-39=100   Industrials (354)   do   Public utilities (28)   do   Railroads (20)   do   do	63. 2 64. 6 57. 0 60. 2	65. 3 66. 9 58. 3 63. 0	64. 4 65. 9 57. 7 61. 7	65. 2 66. 7 58. 6 63. 1	65. 7 66. 9 59. 7 64. 7	85. 10 77. 7 77. 1 83. 3 70. 6	78. 7 78. 0 84. 9 71. 1	108. 42 97. 4 97. 9 102. 3 75. 9	109. 78 98. 5 99. 2 103. 0 77. 7	91. 16 84. 5 84. 6 92. 2 62. 9	83.7 83.8 90.9 62.6
PRODUCTION, CONSTRUCTION, AND DISTRIBUTION											! 
Production:  Bituminous coalt thous, of short tons— Electric power∆ mil, of kw hr Petroleumt, thous, of bbl. Steel⊕ pct. of capacity.  Construction contract awardst thous, of dol.	97. 2	1, 875 3, 321 3, 543 98. 6	2, 019 3, 349 3, 418 98. 8	1,858 3,346 3,820 99.0 38,990	1,825 3,357 3,692 97.9 22,955	233 2,897 3,753 98.3 17.671	180 2,906 3,604 99.3 13,669	1, 216 2, 529 3, 859 60. 9 10. 004	1,277 2,530 3,854 61.3 11,762	444 2, 265 3, 527 50. 9 11, 073	324 2, 235 3, 495 52. 1 12, 659
Freight carloadings, totaldododo		160, 646	828, 890 147, 816 13, 845	804, 746 156, 048 13, 846	796, 640 152, 907 14, 074	708, 651 33, 404 9, 152	679, 808 31, 592 9, 415	628, 468 113, 957 7, 525	619, 105 113, 642 7, 326	557, 867 66, 898 5, 710	547, 179 54, 461 5, 839
Core		46, 867 33, 861 11, 117 132, 367	48, 415 35, 330 11, 986 139, 798	45, 921 33, 714 10, 797 143, 550	47, 469 35, 608 10, 445 145, 078	40, 894 33, 512 11, 502 161, 009	39, 282 33, 696 10, 788 161, 667	32,096 34,163 11,304 148,150	31, 174 31, 196 11, 146 148, 301	28, 450 30, 752 13, 309 152, 035	28, 008 30, 928 12, 483 154, 139
			55, 044 376, 656	30, 154 370, 716	15, 963 375, 096	74, 345 344, 833	45, 951 347, 417	15, 178 266, 095	12, 539 263, 781	12,813 247,900	11, 259 250, 062
Cattle and calvest thousands.  Hogst do Wheat at primary markets thous. of bu	3, 027	205 272 3, 083	212 279 2,050	203 280 3, 714	199 279 4, 214	191 309 4, 130	167 263 3, 653	178 253 6, 898	169 320 5, 512	3,817	4,022

<sup>†</sup>Daily average. Data do not cover calendar weeks in all cases. \*Free rate.

†Revised series. See table 32, pp. 24-26 of the November 1941 Survey for stock prices beginning January 1939 and cotton prices beginning August 1939.

\*New series. This series replaces the iron and steel composite price, which has been discontinued by the compiling source.

©Rate for week ended Apr. 25 is 97.6; data for 1942 are based on estimated paperty as of Dec. 31, 1941, of 88,570,000 tons of steel ingots and steel for castings.

†Comparable data are not available prior to 1940 because of a change in the markets included in the data beginning with that year.

A1941 data are shown on a revised basis beginning with the Jan. 15, 1942, issue; 1941 and earlier revisons not published are available on request.

	1942	1941	19	942	1	1942	1941   1942		
Earlier data are available in monthly issues of the Survey and the 1940 Supplement	March		Janu- ary	Febru- ary	Earlier data are available in monthly issues of the Survey and the 1940 Supplement	March	March	Janu- ary	Febru- ary
COMMODITY PRICES					COMMODITY PRICES—Continued				
Wholesale prices (Dept. of Labor indexes): Combined index (889 quotations)1926=100	97.6	81.5	96.0	96.7					
Monufectured products do	07.0	84. 2	96.4	97.0	Wholesale prices of individual commodities—Con. Linseed oil, N. Ydol. per lb Livestock:	0. 133	0.099	0. 113	0. 119
Raw materials do.  Semimanufactured articles do.  Farm products do.  Grains do.  Livestock and poultry do.  Commodities other than farm products do.	98. 2 92. 3	75. 3 83. 4	96. 1 91. 7	97.0 92.0	Beef steers (Chicago)dol. per 100 lb_	12. 59 13. 36	10. 81 12. 46	12.60 13.11	12. 39 12. 66
Farm products do	102.8 93.8	71. 6 67. 8	100. 8 95. 9	101. 3 95. 3	Calves, vealers do do do	13.80 13.51	11. 28 7. 53	14. 09 11. 37	13. 50 12. 49
Livestock and poultry do Commodities other than farm products do	113. 8 96. 2	82. 5 83. 6	105.7 94.8	109. 3 95. 5	Calves, vealers	6.91 11.00	6. 27 10. 29	6. 34 11. 88	6. 48 11. 25
Foods do do	96. 1 94. 3	75. 2 80. 3	93. 7 96. 0	94. 6 95. 0	Lumber: Douglas fir:	11.00	10.25	12.00	11.20
Dairy products	87. 7 109. 2	60. 7 83. 7	78. 3 101. 6	85. 2 104. 0	Dimension, No. 1, com.* dol. per M bd. ft. Flooring, "B" and better*do	32. 340 44. 100	24.990 35.280	32. 095 44, 100	32. 340 44. 100
Commodities other than farm products and	95. 2	84.9	94.6	94. 9		53. 798	49. 323	54. 330	54.708
Building materials do do do	110. 5 97. 1	99. 5 91. 5	109.3 96.9	110. I 97. 0	Flooring, 1 x 4, "B" and better"do Boards, No. 2, common*do Ponderosa pine, 1 x 8 No. 3, common*do	30. 770 31. 52	31. 828 27. 42	30. 620 30. 73	30. 653 31. 46
Cement do do	93. 6 133. 1	90. 8 116. 7	93. 4 131. 6	93. 4 132. 7	l Meats:		. 170	. 198	Į
Lumber do  Chemicals and allied products do Chemicals do Drugs and pharmaceuticals do Fertilizer materials do Fuel and lighting materials do	97. 1 96. 4	79.8	96.0 95.3	97.0	Beef, fresh, native steers (Chi.) dol. per lb. Hams, smoked (Chicago) do. Nitrate of soda, 95 pet. (N. Y.) dol. per cwt.	. 315	. 218	. 299	. 196 . 303
Drugs and pharmaceuticals do-	126.5	85. 9 97. 2	126.3	96.3 126.5		1.503	1.470	1.503	1.503
Fuel and lighting materialsdo	79. 5 77. 7	70. 4 72. 0	78. 6 78. 2	79.3 78.0	Aluminum scrap, castings (N. Y.). dol. per lb. Copper, electrolytic (N. Y.). do Lead, refined, pig desilverized (N. Y.). do Tin, Straits (N. Y.). do Zinc, prime western (St. Louis). do Brass sheets, mill. do Oleomargarine, stand, uncolored (Chi.).do.	. 0875	.1181	.0873 .1178	. 0869
Gas	58.3	77. 0 49. 9	76. 4 59. 5	77. 0 68. 9	Tin, Straits (N. Y.)dodo	. 0650	. 0577	. 0628 . 5200	. 0650
Hides and skins do	116.7 116.6	102. 6 99. 1	114.9 - 115.3	115.3 115.5	Zinc, prime western (St. Louis)dododo	. 0825 . 195	. 195	. 0825 195	. 0825 . 195
Shoes do House-furnishing goods do	101. 5 124. 3	94. 8 107. 4	101. 4 121. 1	101. 4 121. 8	Oleomargarine, stand., uncolored (Chi.).do Petroleum and products:	. 150	. 125	. 154	. 153
House-furnishing goodsdo Furnishingsdo	102.6 107.7	89. 5 95. 8	102.4 107.2	102. 5 107. 4	Petroleum and products:  Crude petroleum (Kans. Okla.). dol. per bbl. Fuel oil (Pennsylvania)*	1. 110 . 055	. 960 . 044	1.110 .050	1. 110 . 052
Furnishings do Furniture do Metals and metal products do	97. 4 103. 8	82. 9 97. 7	97.4 103.5	97. 4 103. 6	Gasoline, tank wagon (N. Y.)dodododododo	. 153	.129	. 150	.152
iron and steeldodo	97. 1 85. 6	95. 7 84. 3	97.0 85.4	97. 0 85. 6	Kerosene, water white, 47°, refinerydo	.063	. 054	.064 .160	. 063
Metals, nonferrous do Plumbing and heating equipment do Textile products do	85. 6 98. 2 96. 6	82. 8 78. 4	93. 6 93. 6	97. 9 95. 2	Potatoes, white (N. Y.)dol. per 100 lb	2. 525	1.488	2. 638	2.719
Trumoing and heating equipmentdo	106. 6 112. 6	87. 7 81, 1	101.1	105. 3 111. 4	mum filament*dol, per lb	. 550 3. 06	. 530 1. 78	. 550 3. 16	. 550 3. 22
Hosiery and underweardo	69.8	60. 4 29. 5	69. 0 30. 3	69. 6 30. 3	Silk, raw, Japanese, 13-15 (N. Y.) dol. per lb.	3. 080 . 037	2.816	3.080 .037	3.080 .037
Woolen and worsted goodsdo	108. 7 89. 7	93. 2 77. 6	103.0	104.3 89.3	Sugar, refined, granulated (N. Y.) dodo	.053	.048	.053	. 053 . 761 . 165
Automobile tires and tubesdo	71.0	58.4	71.0	71.0	Veg. shortenings, tierces (Chi.)dol. per lb	. 733 . 165	.097	. 164	. 165
Wholesale prices of individual commodities:	102.0	93. 5	102.8	102.9	II Sulphate, Kraft No. 1 doi, per 100 lb	3.625	3. 375	3. 625	3. 625
Brick, com., comp. (f. o. b. pl.) dol. per thous	13. 215	r 12,381	13.100	13. 165	Sulphite, unbleacheddodo	3. 713	3.463	3.713	3.713
Anthracite, chest, comp_dol. per short ton_ Bituminous, mine run, compdo	10. 280 4. 753	9.805 4.367	10. 288 4. 732	10. 288 4. 737	Raw, territory, fine scoureddol. per lb Raw, Ohio and Penn. fleecesdo Suiting, unfinished worsted, 13 oz. (at mill)	1. 175 . 5150	1, 079 . 4550	1. 135 . 4900	1, 161 . 5150
Bituminous, prepared sizes, compdo Coffee, Santos, No. 4 (N. Y.)*dol. per lb Cotton, middling (N. Y.)do	4.897 .134	4.615 .090	4. 926 . 134	4.924 .134	Suiting, unfinished worsted, 13 oz. (at mill) dol. per yd	2. 599	2.030	2. 228	2.320
Linkton cloth,	, 202	. 108	. 196	. 198	Suting, unmissed worsted, 13 oz. (at min) dol. per yd. Worsted yarn, 2/32's (Boston)dol. per lb Purchasing power of the dollar: Wholesale prices	1.800	1.519	1.800	1.800
Mill margins cents per lb. Print cloth, 64 x 60 dol. per yd. Sheeting, unbleached, 4 x 4 dodo	20.25	18.17 .066	20.32 .086	20.32	Wholesale prices 1923-25=100 Retail food prices do	103. 2 106. 6	123. 6 128. 5	104. 9 108. 9	104. 1 108. 3
Sheeting, unbleached, 4 x 4dodo	.105	. 078	.103	. 104	Retail food prices. do Prices received by farmers do Cost of living do	100.7	142.7 117.8	98. 6 107. 6	101. 4 106. 8
22/1 cones (factory)dol. per lb	. 419 . 506	· . 288	. 414	. 413 . 504					
40/s, southern, Boston do do Cottonseed oil, refined (N. Y.) do Dairy products:	.140	.071	. 137	. 139	CONSTRUCTION AND REAL ESTATE	1	1	1	
Butter, 92-score (N. Y.) do Cheese, No. 1 Amer. (N. Y.) do	.35 .24	.32 .17	. 35 . 26	.35 .25	Contract awards: Value of contracts awarded (F. R. indexes):				
Milk:	5.90		5.90	5.90	Total, unadjusted 1923-25=100  Residential, unadjusted do Total, adjusted do Residential, adjusted do Construction cost indexes (Amer. Appr. Co.);	135 110	94 78	96 68	7 111
Condensed (sweet'd) (N. Y.) dol. per case Evaporated (unsweetened) (N. Y.)do	3.85	5.00 3.20	3.85	3.85	Total, adjusteddo	135 105	94 74	118 82	7 128 7 100
Fluid, dealers', stand, gr_dol. per 100 lb_ Flaxseed, No. 1 (Mpls.)dol. per bu_	2.75 2.60	2. 26 1. 80	2. 73 2. 23	2.74 2.33	Construction cost indexes (Amer. Appr. Co.):† Average, 30 cities	237	212	229	231
Grain and grain products: Corn:					Atlanta do	232 247	209	224 240	225 241 215
No. 3 yellow (Chicago)do No. 3 white (Chicago)do Weighted avg., 5 mkts., all gradesdo	. 82 . 97	.66 .70	. 82 . 90 . 78	.82 .96	San Francisco	221 236	231 194 216	215 230	215 230
Wheat:	.80	. 62	1	.78	DOMESTIC TRADE				
No. 1, Dark Nr. Spring (Mpls.)do No. 2, Red Winter (St. Louis)do No. 2, Hard Winter (K. C.)do	1. 24 1. 30	.90 .89	1.28 1.34	1. 25 1. 31	Advertising:		•	1	
No. 2, Hard Winter (K. C.)do Weighted avg., 6 mkts., all gradesdo	1. 21 1. 19	. 85 . 89	1. 26 1. 20	1, 23 1, 21	Newspaper advertising: Linage, total (52 cities)thous. of lines	106 009	114, 377	89, 341	87, 944
Wheat flour: Standard patents (Mpls.)dol. per bbl	6. 17	4.85	6.48	6.33	ll Classified	1 21.975	24, 712	19,064 70,277	18, 192 69, 752
Winter straights (K. C.)do	5.63	3. 71	5.86	5.74	Display, totaldododododo	1,938	5, 907	1,320 2,204	1, 560 1, 339
Packers', heavy, native steersdol. per lb Calfskins, packers, 8 to 15 lbdo	. 155 . 218	. 129	.155 .218	. 155 . 218	Financial do General do Retail do	1,849 16,268	17, 228	13,076	14,662
Iron and steel:	1210				]{	64, 878	64, 689	53, 677	52, 191
Pig iron: Basic (valley furnace) dol. per long ton-	23. 50 24. 17	23. 50	23.50	23.50 24.15	FINANCE		1	İ	
Compositedo Foundry No. 2, northern (Pitts.)do	24. 17 25. 89	24.00 25.89	24. 15 25. 89	24. 15 25. 89	Savings deposits, in N. Y. State:	5, 392	5, 661	5, 433	5, 401
Steel:	. 0265	. 0265	. 0265	. 0265	Amount due depositors mil. of dol. Life insurance:	0,082	, 501	0, 100	0,201
Composite, finished steeldol. per lb Steel billets, rerolling (Pittsburgh) dol. per long ton	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	Association of Life Insurance Presidents: Insurance written:		-		
Structural steel (Pittsburgh)dol. per lb. Steel scrap (Chicago)dol. per long ton	. 0210 18. 75	.0210 19.88	. 0210 18. 75	. 0210 18. 75	Policies and certifs., totalthousandsdo	724 55		33	32
Lard, in tierces: Prime, contract (N. Y.)dol. per lb	. 125	070	.112	. 121	Industrial do do	. 456 213	259	334	227
Refined (Chicago)dodo	.138	.081	. 130	.136	Value, total thous. of dol.	. 652, 459 97, 826	1 4 L HHZ	1 49.070	1 30.231
Sole, oak, bends (Boston)*dol. per lb.	. 453	.400	. 448	. 448 . 531	Industrial	140, 735 413, 898	148, 978 455, 226	119, 820 786, 457	126, 492 473, 926
Chrome, calf, B, compdol. per sq. ft	. 531	.486	. 531		*New series. See note on corresponding iter				

<sup>•</sup> Data not available. • Revised.

\*New series. See note on corresponding item in the March 1942 SURVEY. †Revised series. See note on corresponding item in the March 1942 SURVEY.

4	MON	THLY	RUSI	NESS	STATISTICS—Continued				
Earlier data are available in monthly issues of	1942	1941	19	42	Earlier data are available in monthly issues of	1942	19	41	1942
the Survey and the 1940 Supplement	March	March	January	Febru- ary	the Survey and the 1940 Supplement	Febru- ary	Febru- ary	Decem- ber	Janu- ary
FINANCE—Continued					EMPLOYMENT AND WAGES				
Life insurance—Continued: Life insurance Sales Research Bureau:		,			Labor conditions: Avg. weekly hours per worker in factories: U.S. Dept. of Labor (90 industries) hours				
Insurance, written, ordinary, total thous. of dol	552, 044 42, 030	598, 217 46, 533	1,001,653 83, 056	634, 538 51, 310	U. S. Dept. of Labor (90 industries) hours Wages: Factory average weekly earnings:	42.2	40.0	41.2	41. (
Middle Atlantic do do East North Central do do	138, 708 126, 330	160, 635 138, 612	300,000	175, 355 141, 939	U. S. Dept. of Labor (90 industries)	35. 76	28. 56	* 33. 70 * 38. 62	r 35. 1
West North Central do South Atlantic do	53, 182 52, 173 24, 960	54, 634 59, 030	220, 739 87, 332 91, 272 38, 273	60, 218 60, 754 24, 742	Durable goods dollars.  Nondurable goods do Factory average hourly earnings: U.S. Dept. of Labor (90 industries) do	41.60 27.31	32. 90 23. 23	<b>*</b> 26. 91	* 41.00 * 26.9
Life insurance Sales Research Bureau: Insurance, written, ordnary, total thous. of dol New England	24, 960 46, 534 14, 533	25, 156 47, 986 14, 517	88, 273 67, 602 21, 694	24, 742 44, 577 15, 345	U. S. Dept. of Labor (90 industries) do	. 803 . 893	. 692 . 762	.787 .871	. 801
Pacific do Capital flotations:	53, 594	51, 114	82, 393	60, 298	Durable goods do Iron and steel, etc., not incl. mchy.	. 909	. 791	.894	.904
Securities issued, totaldododododo	191, 148 103, 551 103, 551	7 406, 136 7 182,750 7 182,750	333, 238 181, 760 181, 760	178, 528 122, 021 122, 021	Blast furnaces, steel works, etc.do Hardwaredo Struct'l and ornam'l metal work	. 988 . 747	. 689	. 983 7. 742	. 986 r. 752
Corporate, totaldo Farm loan and other Gov. agen.do	73, 085 8, 860	86, 634 9, 440 7 86, 676 7 223,386	87, 186 11, 175	55, 209 36, 890	dollars	. 892 . 709	. 750 . 638	.857 .703	. 878 . 714
Municipal, State, etcdododododo	8, 860 21, 606 87, 597 87, 597	7 86, 676 7 223,386	83, 399 151, 478 151, 478	29,922 56,508	Tin cans and other tinwaredo Lumber and allied productsdo Furnituredo	. 613 . 655	. 534 . 560	. 602 . 642	60 64
Corporate, total do Gorporate, total do Gorporate, total do Gorporate	39, 209 21, 315	219, 386 115, 288 11, 125	82, 846 33, 775	56, 508 18, 901 26, 580	Furniture do Lumber, sawmills do Machinery, excl. transp. equip.do Agric'l implements (incl. trac's)	. 586 . 906	.517 .772	. 572 . 879	. 579
Municipal, State, etcdododo	27, 073	r 92, 973	34, 857	11, 027	Electrical machinery, etcdo	. 947 . 903	.818	.924 .878	. 93. 893
rower, totalthous, of dol	112, 294 73, 085 40, 818	201, 922 86, 634 26, 612	170, 032 87, 186 46, 150	74, 109 55, 209 24, 067	Engines, turbines, etcdo Foundry and machine-shop prod	1. 101 . 879	. 857	71.056 .858	. 874
Capital flotations: Securities issued, total do New capital, total do Domestic, total do Corporate, total do Farm loan and other Gov. agen. do Municipal, State, etc. do Refunding, total do Corporate, total do Domestic, total do Corporate, total do Farm loan and other Gov. agen. do Municipal, State, etc. do Corporate securities issued by type of borrower, total thous. of dol New capital, total do Industrial do Public utilities do Refunding, total do Refunding, total do Public utilities do Railroads do	24, 072 5, 660	39, 661 3, 120	28, 101 9, 890	25, 970 3, 750 18, 901	Machine tools* dollars.  Machine tools* dollars.  Machine tools* do  Radios and phonographsdo.  Metals, nonierrous, and prod. do  Brass, bronze, and copper prod. do  Stone, clay, and glass productsdo.  Brick, tile, and terra cottado.  Glass	.928 .748	. 801 . 640	.908 7.726	. 926
Refunding, total do	39, 209 6, 000 32, 236	115, 288 41, 500 67, 602	82, 846 499 82, 120	18, 901 12, 626 6, 275	Metals, nonferrous, and prod_do  Brass, bronze, and opper prod_do  Stone clay and class products do	. 872 . 956 . 759	.740 .811 .685	. 848 . 918 . 753	r. 864 r. 949 75
Railroads do do	02, 200	3,000	02,120	0,270	Brick, tile, and terra cottadodododo	. 674 . 834	. 589 . 774	. 666 . 837	r.669
TOODSTOFFS AND TODACCO		İ		1	Transportation equipment do	1, 059 . 948 1, 158	.918 .784 .975	1,035 .916	1.069 r.95
Fermented malt liquors: Production thous. of bbl	5, 154 4, 577	· 4,466 3,814	4, 432 3, 970	4, 438 3, 763 8, 148	Shipbuilding*do Nondurable goodsdo	1. 086 . 700	.900 .621	1.107 1.060 .695	1. 169 1. 079 . 70
Stocksdodo	8, 491	8, 262	7, 672		Chem., petroleum, and coal prod.do Chemicalsdo	. 881	.770 .826	.881 .941	. 88
Distilled spirits: Production	10, 571 11, 312 1542, 884	15, 514 8, 450 541, 931	18, 535 9, 233 574, 937	12, 903 9, 413 577, 140	Petroleum refining do Rayon and allied products do	. 830 1. 104 . 812	.746 .970 .702	.822 1.106 .797	1, 107 800
Whisky: Productiondo	10, 020	12, 643	13, 088	11, 486	Brick, tile, and terra cotta do Glass do d	.712	. 651 . 644	.703 .695 .782	. 718 . 697 . 791
Tax-paid withdrawals do Stocks do Pertiling and Wines production	7, 501 520, 765	6, 619 495, 735	6, 519 516, 456	6, 417 519, 790	Slaughtering and meat packing do Leather and its manufactures do Rest and above	. 786 658 628	. 685 . 564 . 540	.782 .649 .618	.791 .649
Whisky: Production. do Tax-paid withdrawals. do Stocks. do Rectified spirits and wines, production, total. thous of proof gal Whisky. do Tropleal products: Coffee, visible supply. U. S. thous, of bags	6, 481 5, 627	4, 211 3, 380	6,006 4,627	6, 249 4, 881	Slaughtering and meat packing do.  Slaughtering and meat packing do.  Leather and its manufactures. do.  Boots and shoes. do.  Paper and printing. do.  Faper and pulp. do.  Rubber products. do.  Rubber tires and inner tubes. do.  Tarvites and their readucts.	.854 .765	.803 .661	.855 .747	.852
Tropical products: Coffee, visible supply, U. S. thous. of bags.	850	1, 709	1, 471	1, 102	Rubber products do Rubber tires and inner tubes do Textiles and their products do	. 882 1. 076 . 592	.792 .981 .514	.875 1.058 .583	1.086 589
Coffee, visible supply, U. S. thous. of bags. Tobacco. manufactured products: Consumption (tar-paid withdrawals): Small eigarettes. millions. Large eigars. thousands. Mfd. tobacco and snuff. thous. of ib.	17, 016	15, 529	19, 503	16, 628	Fabrics do do Wearing apparel do Tobacco manufactures do	. 574 629	. 492 . 561	.571	. 574 . 620
Large cigarsthousandsthous. of lbthous. of lb	489, 727 27, 920	430, 326 28, 253	458, 277 27, 938	441, 805 24, 426	FUELS AND BYPRODUCTS	.544	. 495	. 530	.549
METALS Nonferrous metals, copper:	,				Petroleum and products: Crude petroleum:	. 4.*			
Production: Mine or smelter (including custom in-	02 202	85, 701	r 88, 254	*80, 148	Consumption (runs to stills) thous, of bbl. Production	105, 776 113, 961 81	100, 445 100, 791 83	124, 985 128, 293 88	119, 032 128, 262 82
take) Short tons Refinery do Deliveries, refined, total do Stocks, refined, end of month do	92, 202 89, 552 111, 062	95, 322 134, 339	90, 017 130, 467	81, 724 107, 616	Stocks, end of month: California:		•		
PAPER AND PRINTING	79, 537	89, 873	81, 371	77, 329	Light crude and ruel_thous, or bol_	23, 227 39, 184 213, 395	69, 833 36, 985 220, 046	63, 378 35, 596 203, 423	22, 768 37, 767 207, 859
Newsprint:					Refineries	43, 387 170, 008	42, 260 177, 786	203, 423 43, 154 160, 269	45, 085 162, 774
Production short tons Shipments from mills do Stocks, at mills, end of month do	295, 835 308, 166 144, 626	275, 769 265, 724 186, 182	311, 904 291, 998 143, 477	278, 101 264, 621 156, 957	Remed petroleum products:  Gas and fuel oils:  Production:				
United States: Consumption by publishers do	251, 042	258, 518	231, 961	216, 109	Refineries do	27, 254 15, 194	25, 944 14, 732	31, 127 17, 142	29, 403 16, 902
Production doShipments from mills doStocks, end of month:	80, 923 82, 176	87, 376 85, 503	84, 628 80, 787	76, 234 75, 247	Stocks: Residual fuel oildo Gas oil and distillate fuels, totaldo	18, 569 33, 711	21, 154 25, 542	24, 855 38, 895	23, 120 40, 801
At mills doAt publishers doIn transit to publishers do	11, 161 368, 520	18, 790 252, 856	11, 427 366, 236	12, 414 370, 101	Motor fuel: Production, total do	51, 612	48, 374	63, 573	-60.03
	47, 376	44, 312	46, 362	55, 336	Straight-run gasolinedo	189 19, 226 26, 006	280 20, 112 23, 417	323 24, 913 32, 255	208 22, 728 30, 324
STONE, CLAY, AND GLASS PRODUCTS Portland cement:					Natural gasoline do Natural gasoline, blended do Natural gasoline, blended do do do do do do do do do do do do do	6,768 4,456	4, 565 3, 510	6, 082 4, 622	7, 48 5, 35
Production thous of bbl Shipments do	12,563	10, 596 9, 915	9, 120	10, 787 8, 296	Natural gasoline. do Natural gasoline, blended. do Stocks, gasoline, end of month: Finished gasoline, total. do At refineries. do Natural gasoline. dodo	100, 186 72, 990	88, 609 61, 756	86, 413 56, 325	93, 489 64, 996
ShipmentsdoStocks, fluished, end of monthdoStocks, clinker, end of monthdoPlate glass, polished, production	25, 838 6, 532	25, 988 6, 276	23, 186 5, 021	25, 668 5, 840	Natural gasoline do Kerosene:		5, 311	4, 275	4,802
thous. of sq. ft Window glass, productionthous. of boxes	5, 565 1, 583	18, 266 1, 417	9, 143 1, 639	5, 600 1, 457	Kerosene: Productiondo Stocks, refinery, end of monthdo	6, 133 6, 193	5, 888 7, 634	6, 682 9, 599	6, 634 6, 987
Percent of capacityTEXTILE PRODUCTS	97.5	87.3	100.9	89.7	Lubricants: Productiondo Stocks, refinery, end of monthdo	3, 174 8, 429	2, 522 8, 790	3, 554 8, 127	3, 497 8, 266
Consumption below	966, 631	854, 767	945, 909	893, 745	TEXTILE PRODUCTS				
Spindle activity: Active spindles thousands Active spindle hrs., total mil. of hrs.	23, 096 11, 374	22, 806 9, 593	23, 077 11, 364	23, 078 10, 457	Finished cotton cloth; production:  Bleached, plainthous. of yd.  Dved, colorsdodo	176, 227 126, 465	159, 429 120, 108	180, 792 126, 677	192, 229 133, 62
Operationspct. of capacity	134.3	393 116. 9	136.9	135.9	Bleached, plain thous. of yd.  Dyed, colors do.  Dyed, black do.  Printed do.	6, 568 83, 791	5, 528 107, 358	6, 750 91, 674	8, 547 82, 267
* Revised. * New series	s. See no	te on corre	sponding	itèm in t	he March 1942 Survey. 1 Data do not	include h	igh-proof	spirits.	1221