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## WEEKLY SUPPLEMENT

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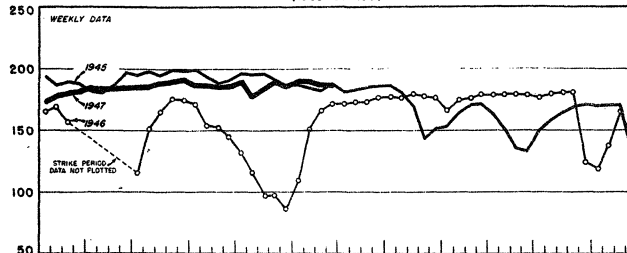


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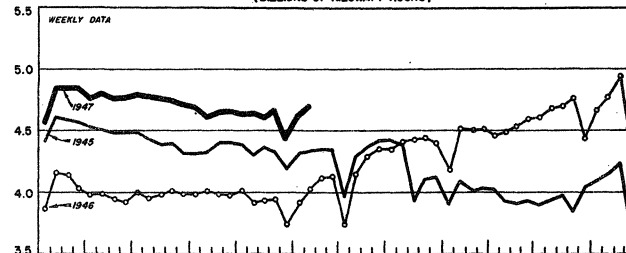
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### SELECTED BUSINESS INDICATORS

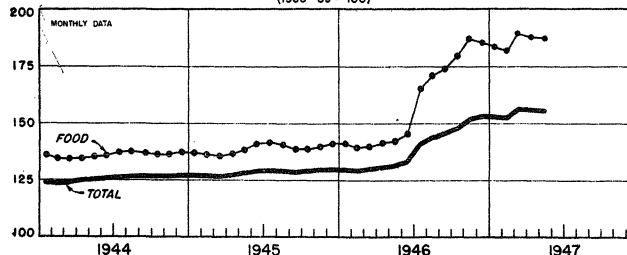
STEEL INGOT PRODUCTION  
(1935-39=100)



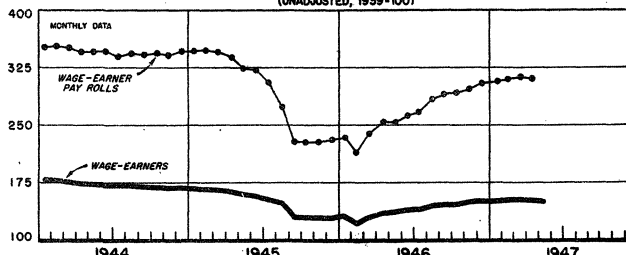
ELECTRIC POWER PRODUCTION BY UTILITIES  
(BILLIONS OF KILOWATT HOURS)



CONSUMERS' PRICES  
(1935-39=100)



MANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT AND PAY ROLLS  
(UNADJUSTED, 1939=100)



### WEEKLY BUSINESS STATISTICS<sup>1</sup>

ITEM	1947					1946	
	June 21	June 14	June 7	May 31	May 24	June 22	June 15
Commodity prices, wholesale:							
All commodities 2/.....1926=100..		147.6	147.9	147.4	146.9	112.4	111.8
Farm products.....do.....		178.3	179.5	178.4	177.2	140.0	139.9
Food.....do.....		162.4	163.1	161.6	160.3	113.7	111.8
All other 2/.....do.....		132.1	132.2	132.3	132.2	105.1	104.9
25 commodities 3/.....August 1939=100..	300.3	300.8	300.2	297.4	296.3	198.1	196.4
Cotton, middling, 15/16", 10 markets 4/.....dol. per lb..	.375	.373	.365	.359	.361	.292	.291
Wheat, No. 2, Hard Winter (Kansas City).....dol. per bu..	2.32	2.41	2.56	2.75	2.69	1.86	5/
Department store sales.....1935-39=100..		300	293	250	277	248	283
Insured unemployment, total 6/.....thous..			1,893	1,891	1,842	3,130	3,232
State programs.....do.....			1,156	1,161	1,120	1,345	1,406
Veterans' programs.....do.....			696	690	681	1,734	1,764
Finance:							
Currency in circulation 4/.....mil. of dol..	28,199	28,258	28,266	28,194	28,114	28,100	28,133
Federal Reserve bank credit, total.....do.....	21,797	22,040	22,234	22,019	22,071	23,454	23,896
Member bank reserve balances.....do.....	16,241	16,028	15,921	15,705	15,942	15,916	15,909
Excess reserves, estimated.....do.....	859	772	667	512	768	671	833
Federal Reserve reporting member banks in 101 cities:							
Bank debits, total.....do.....	17,532	16,745	15,832	15,636	16,054	17,530	14,732
New York City.....do.....	7,368	7,403	6,841	6,495	6,177	8,314	6,748
Deposits, demand, adjusted.....do.....	40,523	40,302	40,139	39,902	39,723	39,869	39,505
Loans and investments, total.....do.....	55,106	54,698	54,606	54,924	54,893	62,505	62,864
U. S. Government obligations.....do.....	34,596	34,171	33,843	34,479	34,580	44,324	44,716
Commercial, industrial and agricultural loans.....do.....	10,633	10,636	10,630	10,674	10,762	7,520	7,507
Failures, commercial.....number.....		66	66	72	102	25	12
Bond yields (Moody's).....percent.....	2.81	2.81	2.80	2.80	2.80	2.71	2.71
Stock prices (402 stocks).....1935-39=100..	120.0	119.5	116.0	115.6	113.2	152.4	154.8
Production:							
Bituminous coal 4/.....thous. of short tons..		1/2,146	1/2,250	1/2,410	2,137	1,979	2,061
Electric power, by utilities.....mil. of kw-hr..		4,702	4,635	4,429	4,663	4,129	4,030
Motor vehicles (Wards) 8/.....number.....	103,278	97,943	98,499	79,315	96,651	54,475	50,206
Petroleum 4/.....thous. of bbl..		5,113	5,064	5,024	5,025	4,950	4,961
Steel 2/.....1935-39=100..	187.8	189.9	190.1	187.0	188.4	166.2	150.2
Freight carloadings, total.....thous. of cars..		895	901	830	891	858	868
Miscellaneous.....do.....		387	388	361	386	370	370

1/ Data do not always cover calendar weeks. 2/ See note in January 1, 1947 issue. 3/ Thursday prices. 4/ Daily average. 5/ No quotation. 6/ For description see note in July 13, 1946 issue. 7/ Computed from estimate of total coal production from the National Coal Association. 8/ Data are for U. S. and Canada and include passenger cars, commercial cars, and trucks. 9/ Week ending June 28, 1947.

## MONTHLY BUSINESS STATISTICS

Earlier data are available in monthly issues of the Survey and the 1942 Supplement	1947				1946	
	May	April	March	February	May	April
<b>COMMODITY PRICES</b>						
Consumers' price index (U. S. Department of Labor):						
Combined index.....1935=100..	155.8	156.1	156.3	153.2	131.7	131.1
Clothing.....do.....	184.4	184.6	184.3	181.5	155.7	154.5
Food.....do.....	187.6	188.0	189.5	182.3	142.6	141.7
Fuel, electricity, and ice.....do.....	117.6	118.4	117.6	117.5	110.3	110.4
Gas and electricity.....do.....	92.4	92.5	92.2	92.2	92.2	92.6
Other fuels and ice.....do.....	142.2	143.7	142.5	142.3	127.8	127.8
Housefurnishings.....do.....	181.6	182.4	182.3	180.8	153.7	152.0
Rent.....do.....	1/109.2	1/109.0	1/109.0	1/108.9	.....	.....
Miscellaneous.....do.....	138.7	139.1	138.2	137.4	127.2	126.7
Wholesale prices (U. S. Department of Labor):						
Combined index 2/.....1926=100..	146.9	147.7	149.5	144.5	111.0	110.2
Economic classes:						
Manufactured products 2/.....do.....	141.7	141.9	143.3	139.7	106.1	105.5
Raw materials.....do.....	158.6	160.1	163.2	154.9	125.6	122.2
Semimanufactured articles.....do.....	143.2	144.5	145.9	142.1	101.9	101.1
Farm products.....do.....	175.7	177.0	182.6	170.4	137.5	135.4
Grains.....do.....	202.4	199.8	203.3	171.1	148.1	137.0
Livestock and poultry.....do.....	198.7	199.2	216.0	201.5	134.9	135.1
Commodities other than farm products 2/.....do.....	140.4	141.0	142.1	138.6	105.1	104.5
Foods.....do.....	159.8	162.4	167.6	162.0	111.5	110.8
Cereal products.....do.....	151.7	154.1	150.4	141.3	100.3	99.4
Dairy products.....do.....	138.8	148.8	157.6	161.8	117.0	116.3
Fruits and vegetables.....do.....	144.3	142.2	141.5	134.2	140.6	138.2
Meats.....do.....	203.0	196.7	207.3	199.5	110.5	110.3
Commodities other than farm products and foods 2/.....do.....	131.7	131.8	131.1	128.5	105.9	103.3
Building materials.....do.....	177.0	178.8	177.5	174.8	127.8	126.5
Brick and tile.....do.....	134.5	134.5	132.4	132.3	120.5	119.9
Cement.....do.....	114.0	114.0	112.3	109.9	102.6	102.4
Lumber.....do.....	269.4	273.5	269.3	263.6	172.5	171.4
Paint and paint materials.....do.....	169.2	175.5	176.1	173.9	108.2	108.0
Chemicals and allied products.....do.....	127.1	133.2	132.2	129.3	96.5	96.1
Chemicals.....do.....	118.7	119.5	114.5	113.8	97.9	97.1
Drugs and pharmaceuticals.....do.....	173.6	181.0	182.7	182.5	112.4	112.4
Fertilizer materials.....do.....	102.5	101.2	101.8	99.2	81.9	81.9
Oils and fats.....do.....	179.9	220.1	231.5	214.3	102.1	102.1
Fuel and lighting materials.....do.....	103.3	103.4	100.7	97.9	86.1	86.1
Electricity.....do.....	.....	.....	64.3	65.7	67.0	66.6
Gas.....do.....	.....	84.0	84.9	84.3	80.2	79.7
Petroleum products.....do.....	86.8	86.3	81.7	76.6	65.5	62.8
Hides and leather products.....do.....	165.6	166.4	174.6	173.8	120.4	119.8
Hides and skins.....do.....	177.7	178.1	192.2	191.4	120.7	117.6
Leather.....do.....	154.5	158.0	183.7	181.1	104.0	104.0
Shoes.....do.....	172.2	172.1	171.5	171.5	128.9	128.6
Housefurnishings.....do.....	128.8	127.4	125.8	124.6	108.3	107.5
Furnishings.....do.....	136.9	134.4	131.4	129.6	113.4	112.1
Furniture.....do.....	120.3	120.0	120.0	119.5	102.9	102.9
Metals and metal products 2/.....do.....	141.4	140.3	139.9	137.9	109.4	108.8
Iron and steel.....do.....	128.6	127.6	126.9	125.0	107.8	107.4
Metals, nonferrous.....do.....	143.9	141.0	139.0	131.3	89.0	87.1
Plumbing and heating equipment.....do.....	120.0	118.2	117.9	117.1	100.8	100.8
Textile products.....do.....	138.9	139.2	139.6	138.0	108.8	107.9
Clothing.....do.....	133.9	133.0	133.0	132.7	119.6	117.4
Cotton goods.....do.....	193.0	194.7	196.6	193.7	138.6	137.6
Hosiery and underwear.....do.....	100.8	100.8	100.8	100.0	75.7	75.5
Rayon.....do.....	37.0	37.0	37.0	37.0	30.2	30.2
Silk.....do.....	67.9	69.4	73.2	80.2	3/	3/
Woolen and worsted goods.....do.....	129.2	129.1	127.5	121.9	112.7	112.7
Miscellaneous.....do.....	116.1	115.7	115.3	110.9	97.0	95.7
Automobile tires and tubes.....do.....	73.0	73.0	73.0	73.0	73.0	73.0
Paper and pulp.....do.....	154.3	152.5	145.1	143.4	115.3	113.9
Wholesale prices of selected commodities:						
Coal, bituminous, mine run, composite..dol. per short ton..	6.344	6.334	6.252	6.230	5.740	5.454
Coffee, Santos, No. 4 (New York).....dol. per lb..	.237	.258	.277	.272	.134	.134
Cotton, middling, 15/16", average, 10 markets.....do.....	.3599	.3513	.3515	.3331	.2744	.2770
Cotton cloth: Mill margins.....cents per lb..	47.86	51.25	53.37	52.36	23.73	23.09
Print cloth, 64 x 60.....dol. per yd..	.216	.227	.255	.248	.114	.114
Butter, 92-score (N. York).....dol. per lb..	.613	.631	.696	.709	.473	.473
Eggs, U. S. standards (Chicago).....dol. per doz..	.409	.425	.418	.378	.336	.333
Grains and grain products:						
Corn, weighted average, 5 markets.....dol. per bu..	1.68	1.69	1.59	1.31	1.30	1.11
Wheat, weighted average, 6 markets.....do.....	2.64	2.62	2.67	2.28	1.79	1.76
Wheat flour, standard patents (Minneapolis).....dol. per bbl..	12.74	13.17	13.66	11.62	6.55	6.55
Hides, packers', heavy, native steers.....dol. per lb..	.223	.220	.228	.231	.155	.155
Livestock and meats:						
Beef steers (Chicago).....dol. per 100 lb..	24.06	22.93	23.30	21.94	16.77	16.56
Hogs, all grades (Chicago).....do.....	22.24	23.49	27.10	25.70	14.81	14.81
Beef, fresh, native steers (Chicago).....dol. per lb..	.376	.370	.371	.362	.203	.203
Pork, fresh, loins, 8-10 lb (New York).....do.....	.531	.508	.505	.509	.266	.266
Lumber:						
Douglas fir, dim., No. 2, com., 2"x 4"- 16'.....dol. per M bd.ft..	62.23	62.23	60.27	58.80	38.22	38.22
Southern pine, boards, No. 2, common, 1"x 6" or 8"x 12'.....do.....	66.86	69.51	71.46	72.53	46.03	46.03
Ponderosa pine, No. 3, common, 1" x 8".....do.....	54.69	52.71	50.99	48.51	40.65	39.15

2/ Revised. 1/ Estimate based on survey of rents in 6 cities. 2/ Motor vehicles are included at current prices beginning October 1946; April 1942 prices were carried forward in earlier computations. May 1947 indexes calculated with April 1942 motor vehicle prices. All commodities, 145.0; manufactured products, 138.7; commodities other than farm products, 138.1; commodities other than farm products and food, 128.7; metals and metal products, 127.8. 3/ Not available.

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<b>COMMODITY PRICES - Continued</b>						
<b>Wholesale prices of selected commodities - Continued.</b>						
<b>Metals and manufactures:</b>						
Pig iron, composite.....dol. per long ton..	33.81	33.81	33.55	30.86	26.82	26.67
Steel, composite, finished.....dol. per lb..	.0329	.0329	.0329	.0329	.0301	.0301
Structural steel (Pittsburgh).....do.....	.0250	.0250	.0250	.0250	.0235	.0235
Steel scrap (Chicago).....dol. per long ton..	29.25	33.05	36.69	31.63	18.75	18.75
Copper, electrolytic (N.Y.).....dol. per lb..	.2211	.2123	.2091	.1935	.1178	.1178
Lead, refined, pig, desilverized (N.Y.).....do....	.1500	.1500	.1496	.1318	.0650	.0650
Zinc, prime, Western (St. Louis).....do.....	.1050	.1050	.1050	.1050	.0825	.0825
<b>Petroleum and products:</b>						
Crude petroleum (Kansas-Oklahoma), at wells.....dol. per bbl..	1.810	1.810	1.710	1.560	1.210	1.190
Gasoline, tank wagon (N.Y.).....dol. per gal..	.172	.172	.167	.161	.149	.145
Sugar, refined, granulated (N.Y.).....dol. per lb..	.081	.081	.080	.080	.059	.059
Wool, raw, territory, fine, scoured.....do.....	1.225	1.225	1.195	1.165	.995	.995
<b>CONSTRUCTION AND REAL ESTATE</b>						
<b>Contract awards, 37 States (F. W. Dodge Corp.):</b>						
Total projects.....number..	27,770	29,957	32,268	24,321	63,188	52,733
Total valuation.....thous. of dol..	742,837	602,338	596,755	442,197	952,418	734,911
Building, total.....do.....	489,985	440,985	474,784	351,649	754,563	606,772
<b>DOMESTIC TRADE</b>						
<b>Mail-order and store sales:</b>						
Total sales, 2 companies.....do.....	275,884	260,325	249,263	185,800	211,418	209,843
Montgomery Ward & Co.....do.....	104,322	99,623	97,552	71,205	85,065	80,073
Sears, Roebuck and Co.....do.....	171,562	160,701	151,711	114,595	126,353	129,770
<b>EMPLOYMENT CONDITIONS AND WAGES</b>						
<b>Employment (U. S. Department of Labor):</b>						
<b>Employees in nonagricultural establishments:</b>						
Unadjusted, total.....thous..	41,983	r41,767	r42,043	41,858	40,258	39,908
Manufacturing.....do.....	15,260	r15,418	r15,511	15,483	14,159	14,045
Mining.....do.....	882	r856	r879	880	753	542
Construction.....do.....	1,740	r1,619	r1,534	1,502	1,438	1,356
Transportation and public utilities.....do.....	3,933	r3,791	r4,021	4,012	3,946	3,991
Trade.....do.....	8,568	r8,551	r8,563	8,507	8,302	8,329
Financial, service, and miscellaneous.....do.....	6,153	r6,106	6,120	5,965	5,984	5,984
Government.....do.....	5,447	5,426	5,415	5,367	5,695	5,661
Production workers, all manufacturing, unadjusted, 1939=100..	151.0	r152.9	154.0	r153.7	139.6	138.5
Durable goods.....do.....	179.1	r180.7	r180.9	180.1	159.0	155.9
Iron and steel and their products.....do.....	157.6	r158.0	158.1	157.5	139.1	140.7
Blast furnaces, steel works, and rolling mills.....do.....	.....	125.3	124.2	124.4	114.7	119.9
Electrical machinery.....do.....	211.1	r218.7	231.3	232.0	194.2	177.9
Machinery, except electrical.....do.....	225.7	226.6	225.1	223.5	194.1	186.1
Machinery and machine-shop products.....do.....	.....	190.8	190.6	190.3	170.6	170.0
Machine tools.....do.....	.....	156.1	158.4	161.1	161.1	162.3
Automobiles.....do.....	192.8	r200.5	198.2	196.6	167.8	160.5
Transportation equipment, except automobiles.....do.....	304.5	r300.8	r296.7	r297.6	309.2	317.6
Aircraft and parts (excluding engines).....do.....	.....	359.2	r355.8	357.6	311.2	303.9
Aircraft engines.....do.....	.....	315.8	314.9	321.8	294.0	293.1
Shipbuilding and boatbuilding.....do.....	.....	206.1	r202.3	r203.3	279.0	306.9
Nonferrous metals and products.....do.....	180.9	r184.8	r187.5	188.9	157.0	153.4
Lumber and timber basic products.....do.....	153.2	r148.9	145.4	142.3	127.8	123.8
Sawmills.....do.....	.....	83.0	r81.0	r79.7	77.0	74.7
Furniture and finished lumber products.....do.....	130.1	r132.1	r134.2	r134.5	116.2	116.3
Furniture 1/.....do.....	.....	129.1	r131.3	r132.1	r115.1	r114.8
Stone, clay, and glass products.....do.....	142.4	r146.0	145.3	144.5	132.3	131.1
Nondurable goods.....do.....	128.9	r130.9	132.8	133.0	124.3	124.8
Textile-mills products, and other fiber mfrs.....do.....	104.4	r106.9	108.6	109.1	103.0	102.8
Cotton manufactures, except small wares.....do.....	.....	118.1	118.7	119.1	111.9	112.0
Silk and rayon goods.....do.....	.....	78.4	79.5	79.6	75.7	75.4
Woolen and worsted manufactures.....do.....	.....	102.7	105.9	108.6	106.7	106.6
Apparel and other finished textile products.....do.....	130.1	r135.0	141.9	141.7	126.0	126.7
Men's clothing 1/.....do.....	.....	123.5	125.2	125.3	111.1	109.8
Women's clothing 1/.....do.....	.....	142.4	154.5	153.5	138.5	140.5
Leather and leather products.....do.....	101.3	r103.2	104.5	104.9	103.4	103.3
Boots and shoes.....do.....	.....	88.6	89.9	90.2	88.4	88.5
Food and kindred products.....do.....	125.7	r125.0	123.5	r123.9	119.9	121.6
Baking.....do.....	.....	107.2	106.2	105.7	103.5	107.3
Canning and preserving.....do.....	.....	59.6	r56.9	60.8	70.4	68.4
Slaughtering and meat packing.....do.....	.....	115.4	119.1	123.5	112.9	115.2
Tobacco manufactures.....do.....	89.1	r87.5	92.2	95.4	91.2	90.8
Paper and allied products.....do.....	144.1	r145.0	145.9	145.9	136.8	136.0
Paper and pulp.....do.....	.....	124.6	125.5	125.0	120.0	119.3
Printing, publishing, and allied industries.....do.....	128.8	r128.6	128.2	128.1	118.7	118.5
Newspapers and periodicals.....do.....	.....	117.6	116.7	115.6	109.0	108.1
Printing, book and job.....do.....	.....	130.1	130.4	131.4	121.3	122.2
Chemicals and allied products.....do.....	194.1	r196.2	197.5	197.1	182.8	187.1
Chemicals.....do.....	.....	180.1	179.1	178.6	167.5	169.6
Products of petroleum and coal.....do.....	147.7	r145.4	145.9	146.0	140.6	141.9
Petroleum refining.....do.....	.....	134.1	135.4	135.2	134.4	133.7
Rubber products.....do.....	185.0	r153.5	196.5	198.2	179.7	179.1
Rubber tires and inner tubes.....do.....	.....	194.9	199.1	201.2	193.4	192.8

1/ Revised. 2/ Revised to adjust monthly series to 1945 data from the Federal Security Agency.

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<b>EMPLOYMENT CONDITIONS AND WAGES - Continued</b>						
Employment (U. S. Department of Labor) - Continued.						
Nonmanufacturing employment, unadjusted:						
Mining:						
Anthracite.....1939=100..	80.1	81.8	82.9	81.0	81.4	
Bituminous coal.....do...	89.6	83.4	89.7	90.4	66.9	20.3
Metalliferous.....do...	89.7	89.9	88.6	87.6	67.7	62.9
Quarrying and nonmetallic.....do...	103.1	98.7	97.1	95.7	93.8	93.8
Crude petroleum and natural gas.....do...	92.6	92.0	91.7	92.8	91.8	91.8
Public utilities:						
Electric light and power.....do...	105.5	104.9	104.0	103.2	98.6	97.7
Street railways and busses.....do...	103.3	130.9	131.0	131.1	127.6	127.0
Telegraph.....do...	104.5	100.7	101.8	113.5	119.8	119.8
Telephone.....do...	78.3	188.4	186.9	167.6	163.5	163.5
Services:						
Dyeing and cleaning.....do...	123.8	121.5	118.8	117.0	129.6	130.3
Power laundries.....do...	110.8	109.1	108.7	109.5	110.7	110.0
Year-round hotels.....do...	116.8	117.5	117.3	117.7	119.9	118.9
Trade:						
Retail, total.....do...	111.3	111.4	111.1	109.6	107.2	109.0
Wholesale.....do...	110.0	110.5	111.7	111.9	106.0	106.7
<b>FINANCE</b>						
Bonds, sales (Securities and Exchange Commission):						
Total on all registered exchanges:						
Market value.....thous. of dol..	68,974	67,522	73,249	89,462	107,506	
Face value.....do...	94,673	89,587	100,247	107,064	131,595	
On New York Stock Exchange:						
Market value.....do...	64,393	63,187	68,979	84,330	100,481	
Face value.....do...	88,961	81,491	95,349	100,995	123,634	
Stocks, sales (Securities and Exchange Commission):						
Total on all registered exchanges:						
Market value.....do...	979,766	927,888	1,143,786	1,774,725	1,869,130	
Shares sold.....thousands..	45,116	37,227	53,518	70,514	72,381	
On New York Stock Exchange:						
Market value.....thous. of dol..	825,730	770,103	943,861	1,427,037	1,504,771	
Shares sold.....thousands..	32,338	25,302	34,109	46,326	47,002	
<b>METALS AND MANUFACTURES</b>						
Oil burners:						
Orders, new, net.....number..	-10,258	11,795	118,308	169,402	136,564	
Orders, unfilled, end of month.....do...	968,456	1,077,832	1,045,876	736,347	602,034	
Shipments.....do...	99,118	96,694	81,245	35,089	36,630	
Stocks, end of month.....do...	13,480	14,745	11,903	6,134	5,796	
<b>PAPER AND PRINTING</b>						
Newsprint, Canada:						
Production.....short tons..	384,520	369,490	372,482	341,268	359,943	337,862
Shipments from mills.....do...	400,763	376,305	373,769	319,831	367,251	348,103
Stocks, at mills, end of month.....do...	110,323	126,566	133,381	134,668	111,759	119,067
Newsprint, United States:						
Consumption by publishers.....do...	302,994	297,461	302,672	258,424	261,484	258,984
Production.....do...	73,498	71,933	67,916	62,802	65,927	67,064
Shipments from mills.....do...	70,997	73,988	68,872	65,226	65,699	67,698
Stocks, end of month:						
At mills.....do...	11,426	8,925	10,980	11,936	6,846	6,618
At publishers.....do...	212,724	215,995	206,064	224,453	210,276	201,776
In transit to publishers.....do...	64,985	68,773	73,699	69,466	59,257	56,332
<b>RUBBER AND RUBBER PRODUCTS</b>						
Tires and tubes:						
Pneumatic casings:						
Production.....thousands..	8,333	8,577	7,915	7,059	6,881	
Shipments.....do...	7,273	7,892	7,360	7,011	6,978	
Original equipment.....do...	1,894	2,457	2,138	1,259	1,104	
Stocks, end of month.....do...	5,608	4,516	3,865	3,377	3,412	
Inner tubes:						
Production.....do...	7,093	7,921	7,841	6,556	6,143	
Shipments.....do...	5,731	6,466	6,289	6,412	6,136	
Stocks, end of month.....do...	9,480	8,050	6,621	4,373	4,263	
<b>TEXTILE PRODUCTS</b>						
Cotton consumption.....bales..	827,234	882,880	875,124	840,463	871,470	812,749
Cotton spindle activity:						
Active spindles.....thousands..	21,624	21,805	21,953	21,954	21,958	21,964
Active spindle hours, total.....mil. of hours..	9,928	10,243	10,030	9,590	9,558	9,147
Average per spindle in place.....hours..	415	428	421	402	401	384
Operations.....percent of capacity..	119.7	121.7	125.4	125.6	110.5	109.9
Rayon:						
Consumption:						
Filament yarn.....mil. of lb..	60.4	60.0	60.0	56.3	56.8	56.6
Staple fiber.....do...	17.9	18.6	16.2	14.9	15.9	14.8
Stocks, producers', end of month:						
Filament yarn.....do...	8.4	7.7	7.0	6.9	8.7	9.3
Staple fiber.....do...	3.8	2.9	3.1	2.3	2.1	2.3

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