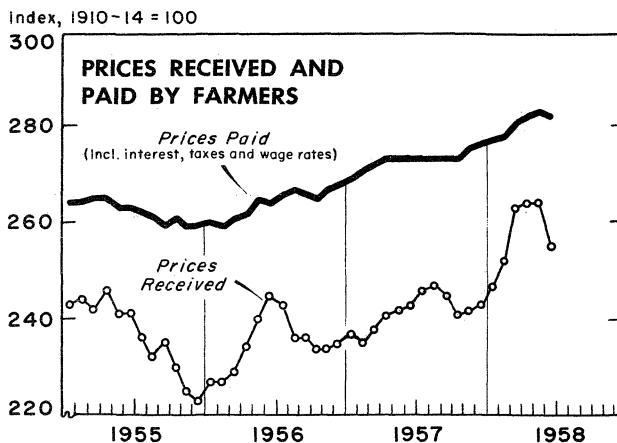
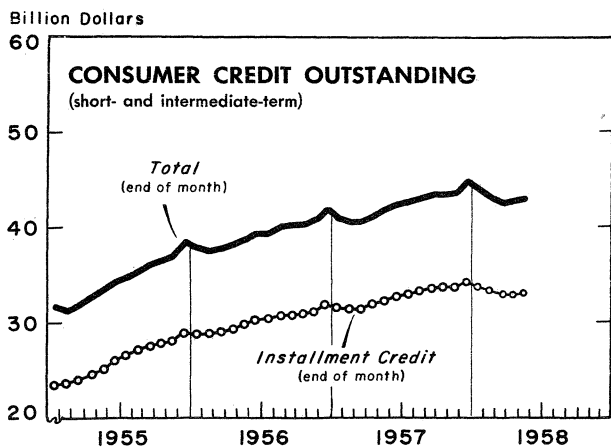
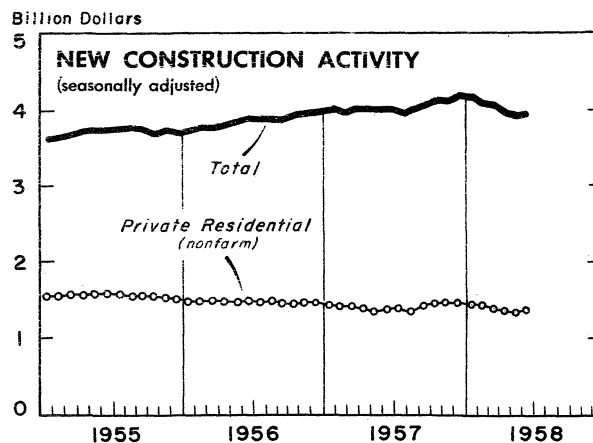
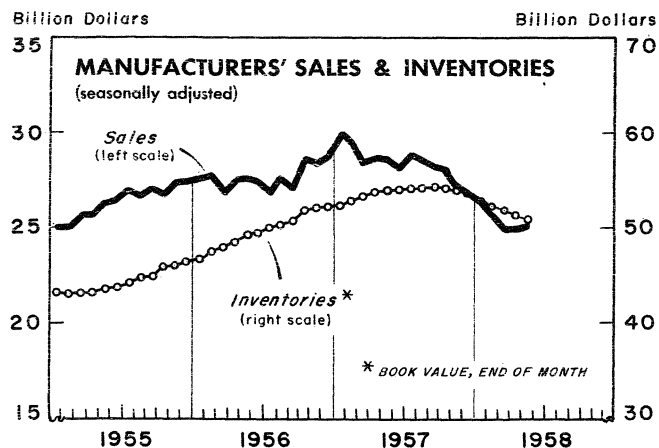
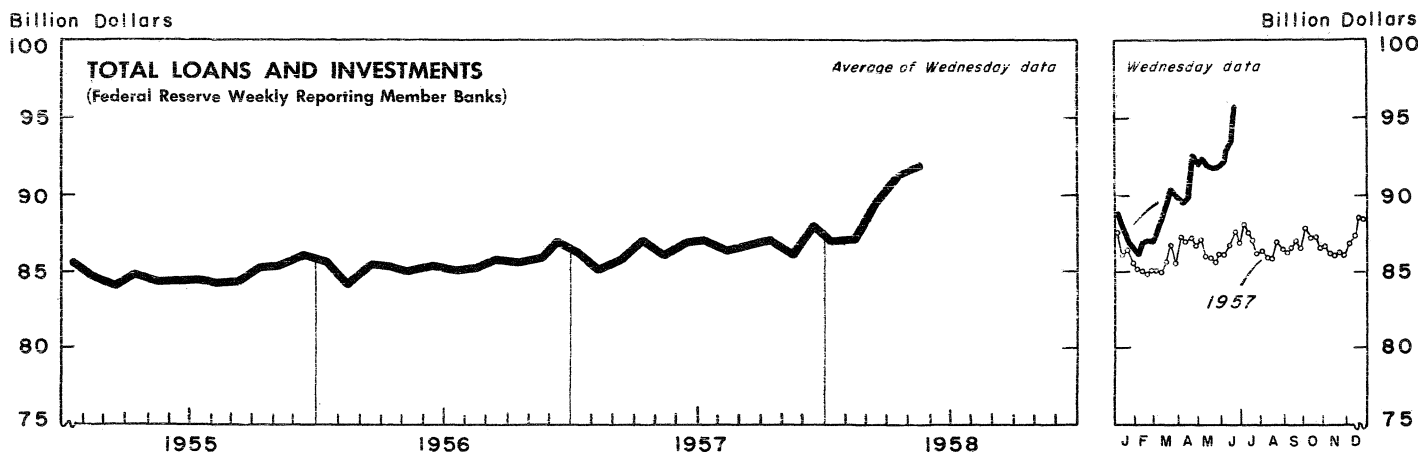


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SELECTED BUSINESS INDICATORS



WEEKLY BUSINESS STATISTICS¹

ITEM	1957		1958			
	June 22	June 29	June 7	June 14	June 21	June 28
Commodity prices, wholesale:						
All commodities.....1947-49=100.....		*117.4		118.8	119.0	119.1
Farm products.....do.....		*90.9		95.2	95.4	96.1
Foods, processed.....do.....		*106.1		112.9	113.1	112.8
All other.....do.....		*125.2		125.0	125.2	125.2
22 commodities <u>2</u> /.....do.....	89.4	89.9	85.8	85.5	85.4	86.1
Department store sales (revised series).....do.....	128	115	135	138	117	.....
Insured unemployment, total.....thous..	1,304	1,243	3,004	2,894	.....	.....
State programs.....do.....	1,220	1,160	2,784	2,672	.....	.....
Failures, industrial and commercial.....number..	241	275	325	254	290	335
Finance:						
Currency in circulation <u>3</u> /.....mil. of dol..	30,904	30,849	30,987	31,052	31,070	30,975
Federal Reserve bank credit outstanding, total <u>3</u> /.....do....	25,424	25,294	25,240	25,440	25,939	26,170
Member bank reserve balances <u>3</u> /.....do.....	19,148	19,171	18,147	18,274	18,619	18,983
Excess reserves, estimated <u>3</u> /.....do.....	602	546	537	610	666	710
Federal Reserve reporting member banks in leading cities: <u>4</u> /						
Demand deposits, adjusted.....mil. of dol..	56,276	55,729	55,686	57,100	57,434	.....
Time deposits, except U. S. Government.....do.....	23,491	23,607	27,841	28,036	28,067	.....
Loans and investments (adjusted), total.....do.....	87,670	86,972	92,934	93,534	95,988	.....
U. S. Government obligations.....do.....	25,633	24,917	31,289	31,216	32,399	.....
Commercial, industrial, and agr. loans (gross).....do....	32,463	32,525	29,677	29,790	30,373	.....
Real-estate loans (gross).....do.....	8,675	8,667	8,817	8,653	8,870	.....
Bond yields, domestic corporate (Moody's) <u>3</u> /.....percent..	4.18	4.21	3.99	3.97	3.96	3.98
Stock prices, 500 stocks (Stand. & Poor's) <u>4</u> /...1941-43=10..	47.72	47.09	44.50	44.49	45.16	44.63
Industrials, 425 stocks.....do.....	51.53	50.92	47.37	47.31	48.09	47.46
Production:						
Bituminous coal <u>3</u> /.....thous. of short tons..	1,697	2,057	1,296	1,383	1,462	.....
Electric power, by utilities.....mil. of kw.-hr..	12,337	12,111	11,681	12,109	11,941	.....
Passenger cars and trucks (Ward's).....number..	141,084	150,000	89,887	95,566	101,506	108,860
Petroleum (crude) and condensate <u>3</u> /.....thous. of bbl..	7,238	7,190	6,256	6,335	6,345	.....
Steel <u>5</u> /.....thous. of short tons..	2,181	2,150	1,685	1,728	1,751	1,666
Percent of capacity.....do.....	#85.2	#84.0	62.4	64.0	64.9	61.7
Freight carloadings, total.....thous. of cars..	747	732	613	622	628	.....
Miscellaneous.....do.....	354	357	306	303	301	.....

¹/ Data do not always cover calendar weeks. 2/ Tuesday prices. 3/ Daily average. 4/ Wednesday data. 5/ Week beginning June 30, 1958: Production, 1,423 thous. short tons; operating rate, 52.7 percent. * Monthly index for June 1957. # Based on January 1, 1957, annual capacity (133,459,150 tons); not comparable with 1958 rates which are based on January 1, 1958, annual capacity (140,742,570 tons).

MONTHLY BUSINESS STATISTICS

ITEM	1957		1958			
	April	May	February	March	April	May
GENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORS						
Manufacturers' sales:						
Value (unadjusted), total.....mil. of dol..	29,010	29,116	24,495	25,780	r25,248	25,336
Durable-goods industries, total <u>1</u> /.....do.....	14,768	14,833	11,560	12,161	r11,921	11,989
Primary metal.....do.....	2,481	2,425	1,665	1,770	r1,740	1,761
Fabricated metal.....do.....	1,642	1,585	1,261	1,334	r1,316	1,321
Machinery (including electrical).....do.....	4,355	4,425	3,702	3,982	r3,867	3,751
Transportation equipment (incl. motor vehicles).....do....	3,489	3,496	2,807	2,768	r2,632	2,740
Lumber and furniture.....do.....	995	975	745	786	r788	792
Stone, clay, and glass.....do.....	728	799	490	568	r617	648
Nondurable-goods industries, total <u>1</u> /.....do.....	14,242	14,283	12,935	13,619	r13,327	13,347
Food and beverage.....do.....	4,196	4,394	4,056	4,312	r4,227	4,391
Tobacco.....do.....	347	387	318	356	r362	385
Textile.....do.....	1,030	1,031	995	1,015	r965	952
Paper.....do.....	928	916	842	912	r883	896
Chemical.....do.....	2,005	2,100	1,712	1,882	r1,944	1,970
Petroleum and coal.....do.....	2,907	2,900	2,676	2,649	r2,516	2,619
Rubber.....do.....	500	486	384	412	438	.....
Value (adjusted), total.....do.....	28,679	28,617	25,542	24,931	r24,945	25,116
Durable-goods industries, total <u>1</u> /.....do.....	14,254	14,296	12,038	11,670	r11,532	11,668
Primary metal.....do.....	2,357	2,263	1,733	1,635	r1,657	1,660
Fabricated metal.....do.....	1,625	1,562	1,354	1,332	r1,302	1,302
Machinery (including electrical).....do.....	4,242	4,354	3,726	3,685	r3,748	3,714
Transportation equipment (incl. motor vehicles).....do....	3,240	3,276	2,876	2,708	r2,466	2,598
Lumber and furniture.....do.....	989	978	799	759	r791	811
Stone, clay, and glass.....do.....	707	747	583	586	r605	617
Nondurable-goods industries, total <u>1</u> /.....do.....	14,425	14,321	13,504	13,261	r13,413	13,448
Food and beverage.....do.....	4,322	4,340	4,363	4,333	r4,348	4,371
Tobacco.....do.....	358	352	361	387	r373	367
Textile.....do.....	1,073	1,079	1,001	999	r1,016	1,017
Paper.....do.....	919	907	877	885	r874	887
Chemical.....do.....	1,894	1,996	1,783	1,745	r1,832	1,865
Petroleum and coal.....do.....	3,028	2,959	2,759	2,597	r2,594	2,645
Rubber.....do.....	490	481	413	396	429

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ITEM	1957		1958			
	April	May	February	March	April	May
GENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORS - Continued						
Manufacturers' inventories, end of month:						
Book value (unadjusted), total.....mil. of dol..	53,827	53,985	52,829	52,318	r51,595	50,962
Durable-goods industries, total <u>1</u>.....do....	31,778	31,873	30,494	30,163	r29,683	29,229
Primary metal.....do....	3,962	4,053	4,303	4,246	r4,185	4,122
Fabricated metal.....do....	3,286	3,272	2,980	2,947	r2,983	2,980
Machinery (including electrical).....do....	10,662	10,811	10,169	10,054	r9,885	9,752
Transportation equipment (incl. motor vehicles).....do....	8,124	7,969	7,414	7,226	r6,956	6,737
Lumber and furniture.....do....	1,922	1,904	1,826	1,824	r1,814	1,809
Stone, clay, and glass.....do....	1,257	1,265	1,299	1,295	r1,282	1,257
Nondurable-goods industries, total <u>1</u>.....do....	22,049	22,112	22,335	22,155	r21,912	21,733
Food and beverage.....do....	4,622	4,504	4,694	4,574	r4,520	4,396
Tobacco.....do....	2,075	2,027	2,007	1,960	r1,915	1,868
Textile.....do....	2,698	2,720	2,679	2,682	r2,675	2,676
Paper.....do....	1,453	1,453	1,468	1,483	r1,483	1,462
Chemical.....do....	3,750	3,716	3,911	3,929	r3,858	3,801
Petroleum and coal.....do....	3,202	3,346	3,436	3,405	r3,372	3,339
Rubber.....do....	1,062	1,065	1,109	1,112	1,078	.....
Book value (adjusted), total.....do....	53,663	53,909	52,445	52,009	r51,486	50,955
Durable-goods industries, total <u>1</u>.....do....	31,462	31,566	30,266	29,864	r29,424	28,999
Primary metal.....do....	4,114	4,192	4,297	4,342	r4,362	4,273
Fabricated metal.....do....	3,222	3,146	3,041	2,918	r2,925	2,865
Machinery (including electrical).....do....	10,509	10,624	10,101	9,920	r9,744	9,618
Transportation equipment (incl. motor vehicles).....do....	8,016	7,975	7,285	7,113	r6,863	6,742
Lumber and furniture.....do....	1,890	1,865	1,803	1,794	r1,783	1,772
Stone, clay, and glass.....do....	1,209	1,240	1,249	1,233	r1,233	1,232
Nondurable-goods industries, total <u>1</u>.....do....	22,201	22,343	22,179	22,145	r22,062	21,956
Food and beverage.....do....	4,876	4,869	4,660	4,685	r4,765	4,748
Tobacco.....do....	2,054	2,047	1,911	1,885	r1,896	1,887
Textile.....do....	2,628	2,625	2,638	2,627	r2,606	2,585
Paper.....do....	1,439	1,453	1,453	1,454	r1,468	1,462
Chemical.....do....	3,730	3,729	3,848	3,877	r3,839	3,814
Petroleum and coal.....do....	3,267	3,380	3,542	3,510	r3,441	3,373
Rubber.....do....	1,031	1,024	1,087	1,069	1,047	.....
Manufacturers' orders:						
New orders, net (unadjusted), total.....do....	27,673	28,328	23,228	25,448	r24,254	24,735
Durable-goods industries, total <u>1</u>.....do....	13,349	13,949	10,369	11,848	r10,879	11,366
Primary metal.....do....	2,103	2,251	1,461	1,547	r1,457	1,747
Fabricated metal.....do....	1,500	1,638	1,117	1,234	r1,255	1,311
Machinery (including electrical).....do....	4,091	4,136	3,547	3,761	r3,724	3,660
Transportation equipment (incl. motor vehicles).....do....	2,936	3,181	2,141	3,065	r2,072	2,238
Nondurable-goods industries, total.....do....	14,324	14,379	12,859	13,600	r13,375	13,369
New orders, net (adjusted), total.....do....	27,940	28,433	24,110	24,758	r24,498	24,694
Durable-goods industries, total <u>1</u>.....do....	13,234	14,115	10,688	11,488	r10,833	11,292
Primary metal.....do....	2,197	2,136	1,369	1,371	r1,543	1,680
Fabricated metal.....do....	1,500	1,689	1,176	1,175	r1,230	1,273
Machinery (including electrical).....do....	3,850	4,321	3,545	3,511	r3,596	3,664
Transportation equipment (incl. motor vehicles).....do....	2,968	3,198	2,361	3,317	r2,093	2,241
Nondurable-goods industries, total.....do....	14,706	14,318	13,422	13,270	r13,665	13,402
Unfilled orders, end of month (unadjusted), total.....do....	61,857	61,069	47,836	47,504	r46,510	45,909
Durable-goods industries, total <u>1</u>.....do....	58,922	58,038	45,372	45,059	r44,017	43,394
Primary metal.....do....	6,771	6,597	4,263	4,040	r3,757	3,743
Fabricated metal.....do....	4,355	4,408	3,199	3,099	r3,038	3,028
Machinery (including electrical).....do....	19,931	19,642	16,548	16,327	r16,184	16,093
Transportation equipment (incl. motor vehicles).....do....	22,953	22,638	17,466	17,763	r17,203	16,701
Nondurable-goods industries, total.....do....	2,935	3,031	2,464	2,445	r2,493	2,515
FINANCE						
Consumer credit (short- and intermediate-term):						
Total outstanding, end of month.....mil. of dol..	41,247	41,937	43,043	42,562	42,665	43,027
Installment credit, total.....do....	31,786	32,158	33,302	32,983	32,932	32,957
Installment credit extended and repaid:						
Unadjusted: Extended, total.....do....	3,594	3,748	2,754	3,164	3,345	3,386
Repaid, total.....do....	3,332	3,376	3,189	3,483	3,396	3,361
Adjusted: Extended, total.....do....	3,470	3,535	3,235	3,193	3,278	3,252
Repaid, total.....do....	3,284	3,313	3,401	3,373	3,401	3,352
METALS AND MANUFACTURES						
Castings, shipments, total:						
Gray iron.....thous. of short tons..	1,120	1,112	753	796	807	.....
Malleable iron.....short tons..	80,271	76,504	54,650	51,708	50,695	.....
Steel.....do....	162,498	164,575	103,297	r106,233	91,464	.....
Fabricated structural steel:						
Orders, new (net).....thous. of short tons..	404	331	186	196	208	224
Shipments.....do....	362	377	283	357	324	328
Backlog, end of month.....do....	4,192	4,172	2,727	2,542	2,387	2,211
Pumps, steam, power, centrifugal and rotary:						
Orders, new.....thous. of dol..	7,801	7,786	5,918	6,004	5,313	6,728
Vacuum cleaners, standard type, sales billed.....thousands..	281.6	231.2	225.6	291.4	247.3	218.8
Washers, domestic, sales billed <u>2</u>.....do....	230.7	254.2	263.1	278.9	218.6	256.9
Radio sets, production <u>3</u>.....do....	1,115.8	1,023.8	876.9	931.3	r697.3	r654.8
Television sets (incl. combination), production <u>3</u>do....	361.2	342.4	370.4	416.9	r302.6	r267.0

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ITEM	1957		1958			
	May	June	March	April	May	June
COMMODITY PRICES						
Prices received and paid by farmers:						
Prices received, all farm products.....1910-14=100..	242	243	263	264	264	255
Crops.....do.....	241	240	245	252	246	232
Commercial vegetables, fresh market.....do.....	284	274	408	362	314	232
Cotton.....do.....	256	270	220	236	246	246
Feed grains and hay.....do.....	179	173	152	162	163	167
Food grains.....do.....	225	218	224	223	221	197
Fruit.....do.....	231	245	228	271	268	277
Oil-bearing crops.....do.....	263	260	234	237	238	239
Potatoes (including dry edible beans).....do.....	155	155	272	268	224	180
Tobacco.....do.....	457	457	475	475	475	474
Livestock and products.....do.....	242	245	280	275	280	275
Dairy products.....do.....	248	246	261	249	244	241
Meat animals.....do.....	280	288	336	339	355	348
Poultry and eggs.....do.....	143	145	187	172	168	163
Wool.....do.....	313	312	229	212	204	212
Prices paid:						
All commodities and services.....do.....	273	273	281	282	283	282
Family living items.....do.....	286	287	295	293	294	293
Production items.....do.....	259	257	269	271	271	270
All commod., services, int., taxes, and wage rates.....do.....	296	296	304	306	306	305
Parity ratio.....do.....	82	82	97	86	86	84
CONSTRUCTION AND REAL ESTATE						
New construction (unadjusted), total.....mil. of dol..	4,127	4,425	3,400	3,703	r4,054	4,376
Private, total.....do.....	2,882	3,060	2,442	2,583	r2,773	2,974
Residential (nonfarm).....do.....	1,436	1,545	1,177	1,288	r1,407	1,530
New dwelling units.....do.....	1,020	1,105	890	945	r1,000	1,100
Additions and alterations.....do.....	379	400	239	295	r356	378
Nonresidential buildings, total i/.....do.....	783	824	689	677	698	735
Industrial.....do.....	306	308	235	218	204	193
Commercial.....do.....	286	308	262	263	285	315
Farm construction.....do.....	146	159	114	127	147	162
Public utilities.....do.....	497	511	450	478	r504	528
Public, total.....do.....	1,245	1,365	958	1,120	r1,281	1,402
Nonresidential buildings.....do.....	362	406	347	370	r381	402
Military facilities.....do.....	108	112	77	80	88	95
Highway.....do.....	470	548	265	375	r500	580
New construction (seasonally adjusted), total.....do.....	4,003	4,003	4,053	3,960	r3,929	3,951
Private, total.....do.....	2,824	2,823	2,792	2,734	r2,716	2,736
Residential (nonfarm).....do.....	1,360	1,373	1,397	1,350	r1,334	1,360
Nonresidential buildings, total i/.....do.....	820	817	742	733	733	729
Industrial.....do.....	315	311	240	222	210	195
Commercial.....do.....	303	302	288	294	302	311
Farm construction.....do.....	133	133	134	134	134	135
Public utility.....do.....	493	482	505	503	r499	497
Public, total.....do.....	1,179	1,180	1,261	1,226	r1,213	1,213
Nonresidential buildings.....do.....	371	380	370	376	r371	376
Military facilities.....do.....	110	101	95	88	90	86
Highway.....do.....	423	428	500	463	r450	453
Construction cost index:						
Department of Commerce, composite.....1947-49=100..	137	137	137	138	138

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