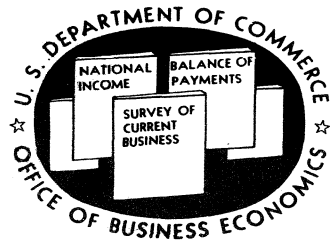


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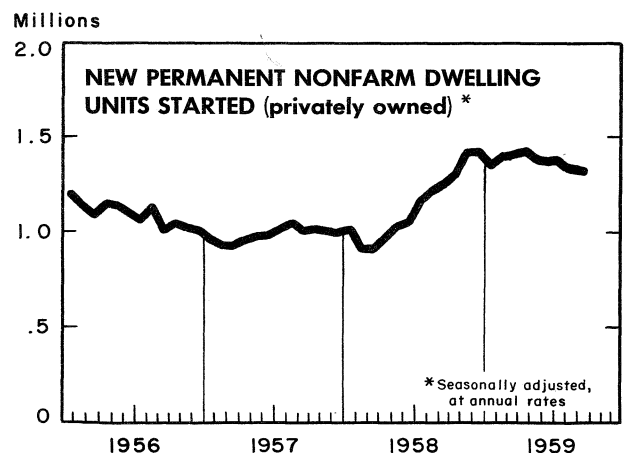
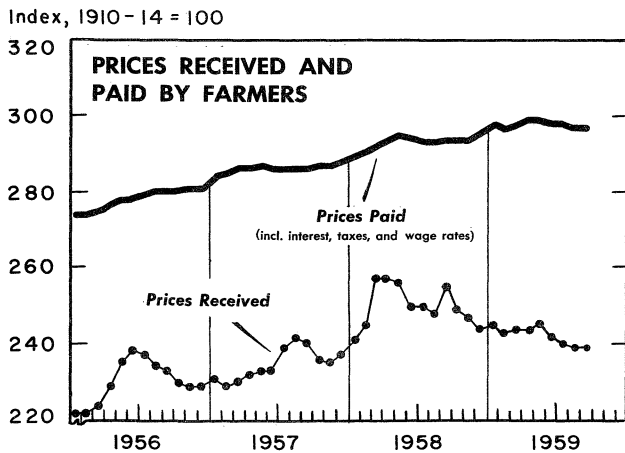
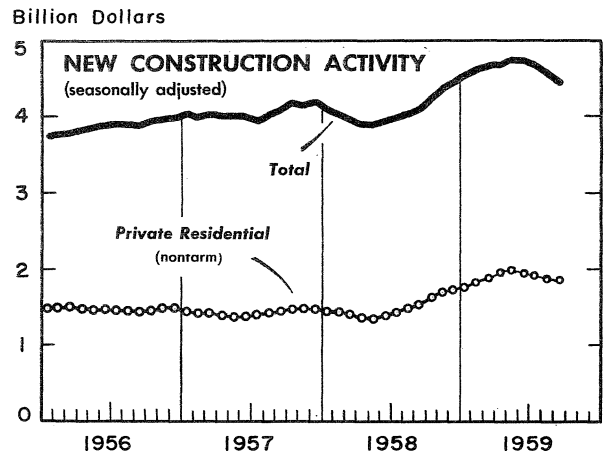
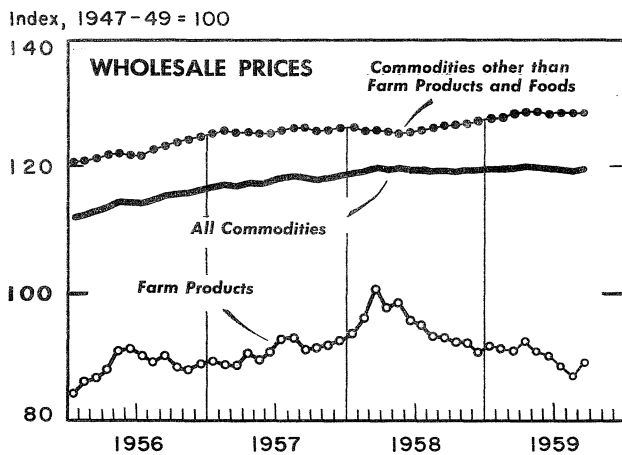
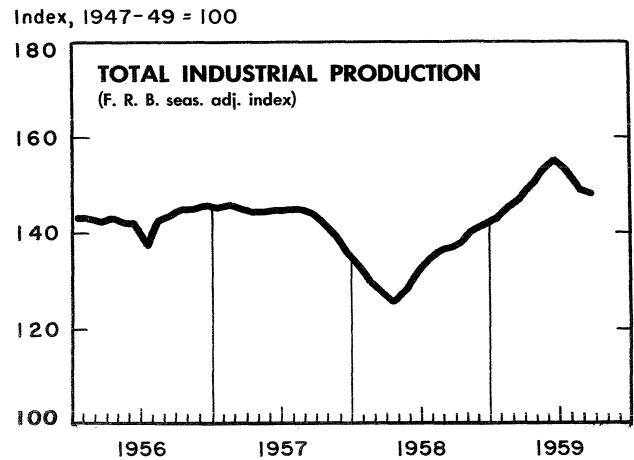
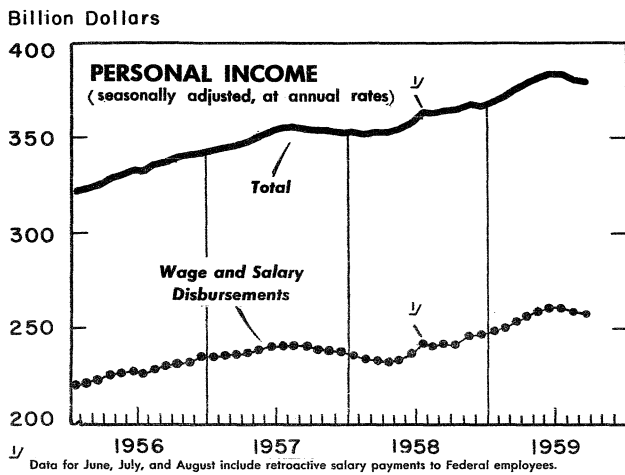


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### SELECTED BUSINESS INDICATORS



WEEKLY BUSINESS STATISTICS<sup>1</sup>

ITEM	1958		1959			
	Oct. 11	Oct. 18	Sept. 26	Oct. 3	Oct. 10	Oct. 17
Commodity prices, wholesale:						
All commodities.....1947-49=100.....		*119.6			119.2	119.1
Farm products.....do.....		*88.9			86.8	86.2
Foods, processed.....do.....		*107.8			106.2	106.0
All other.....do.....		*128.4			128.5	128.5
22 commodities 2/.....do.....	85.9	86.7	85.7	86.0	85.6	85.6
Department store sales.....do.....	147	146	145	143	151	.....
Insured unemployment, total 3/.....thous..	1,870	1,869	1,323	1,340	.....	.....
State programs (incl. Alaska and Hawaii).....do.....	1,700	1,699	1,158	1,175	.....	.....
Failures, industrial and commercial.....number..	271	288	282	224	274	252
Finance:						
Currency in circulation 4/.....mil. of dol..	31,352	31,498	31,984	31,809	31,933	32,096
Federal Reserve bank credit outstanding, total 4/.....do....	26,519	26,925	29,016	28,403	28,623	28,667
Member bank reserve balances 4/.....do.....	18,318	18,475	18,819	18,394	18,636	18,501
Excess reserves, estimated 4/.....do.....	565	486	566	254	493	521
Reporting member banks (of F.R.System) in leading cities:5/						
Demand deposits, adjusted.....mil. of dol..	59,773	60,329	60,232	60,170	60,077	.....
Time deposits, except interbank.....do.....	30,191	30,205	30,723	30,735	30,644	.....
Loans and investments (adjusted), total.....do.....	**101,927	**102,418	103,387	103,571	103,107	.....
U. S. Government obligations.....do.....	34,695	34,834	28,358	28,118	27,729	.....
Commercial and industrial loans (gross).....do.....	.....	.....	29,374	29,479	29,500	.....
Real-estate loans (gross).....do.....	11,047	11,124	12,462	12,453	12,461	.....
Bond yields, domestic corporate (Moody's) 4/.....percent..	4.44	4.42	4.85	4.87	4.88	4.87
Stock prices, 500 stocks (Stand. & Poor's) 5/.....1941-43=10..	51.06	50.58	55.82	56.88	56.94	56.71
Industrials, 425 stocks.....do.....	54.71	54.18	59.91	60.99	60.96	60.69
Production:						
Bituminous coal 4/.....thous. of short tons..	1,495	1,450	1,299	1,267	1,286	.....
Electric power, by utilities.....mil. of kw.-hr..	12,067	12,048	12,878	13,234	13,086	.....
Motor vehicles (cars, trucks, coaches).....number..	46,722	59,612	114,101	127,702	142,339	159,563
Petroleum (crude) and condensate 4/.....thous. of bbl..	6,874	6,893	6,858	6,825	6,812	.....
Steel 6/.....thous. of short tons..	1,933	2,003	362	362	362	368
Percent of capacity.....do.....	#71.6	#74.2	12.8	12.8	12.8	13.0
Freight car loadings, total.....thous. of cars..	687	696	587	573	559	.....
Miscellaneous.....do.....	336	343	317	311	302	.....

1/ Data do not always cover calendar weeks. 2/ Tuesday prices. 3/ Includes data for Alaska and Hawaii, and for the following programs: State; R.R.; Federal employees; veterans; and ex-servicemen. 4/ Daily average. 5/ Wednesday data; leaders indicate data not available. 6/ Week beginning October 19, 1959; Production, 371 thous. short tons; operating rate, 13.1 percent. \* Monthly index for October 1958. \*\* Not strictly comparable with data for 1959. # Based on January 1, 1958, annual capacity (140,742,570 tons); not comparable with 1959 rates which are based on January 1, 1959, annual capacity (147,633,670 tons).

## MONTHLY BUSINESS STATISTICS

ITEM	1958		1959			
	August	September	June	July	August	September
GENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORS						
Personal income, by source:						
Seasonally adjusted, at annual rates:						
Total personal income.....bil. of dol..	362.4	364.2	383.8	r383.4	r380.0	379.6
Wage and salary disbursements, total.....do.....	241.3	242.5	261.7	261.5	r258.8	258.2
Commodity-producing industries.....do.....	97.9	99.3	110.9	109.9	r106.8	106.1
Manufacturing only.....do.....	76.7	77.9	87.7	86.9	r84.0	84.1
Distributive industries.....do.....	64.3	64.1	68.0	68.4	r68.3	68.1
Service industries.....do.....	35.0	35.0	37.2	37.3	37.6	37.7
Government.....do.....	44.1	44.1	45.6	45.9	r46.0	46.2
Other labor income.....do.....	9.3	9.3	10.0	10.1	10.1	10.2
Proprietors' income:						
Business and professional.....do.....	32.6	32.8	34.7	34.9	34.9	34.7
Farm.....do.....	14.2	14.3	12.1	r11.4	r10.0	9.6
Rental income of persons.....do.....	11.9	11.9	12.0	12.0	12.0	12.0
Dividends.....do.....	12.6	12.6	13.1	13.2	13.4	13.5
Personal interest income.....do.....	20.5	20.6	22.2	22.4	r22.7	23.0
Transfer payments.....do.....	27.2	27.3	26.4	26.3	r26.5	26.8
Less personal contributions for social insurance,do....	7.1	7.1	8.4	8.4	8.4	8.3
Total nonagricultural income.....do.....	344.5	346.1	367.8	r368.2	r366.3	366.2
Industrial production (FRB):						
Unadjusted, combined index.....1947-49=100..	136	140	155	r143	r148	p150
Manufactures.....do.....	138	141	158	147	151	p154
Durable manufactures.....do.....	140	146	172	157	r154	p159
Primary metals.....do.....	102	111	154	r94	r63	p63
Metal fabricating (including ordnance).....do....	150	156	182	175	174	p182
Fabricated metal products.....do.....	133	141	150	143	r148	p151
Machinery.....do.....	142	151	175	166	r173	p184
Transportation equipment.....do.....	173	170	214	209	r189	p194
Instruments and related products.....do.....	160	168	195	r193	r195	p199
Furniture and fixtures.....do.....	124	130	141	141	r147	p149
Lumber and products.....do.....	130	127	141	r127	142	.....
Stone, clay, and glass products.....do.....	155	160	177	175	178	p177
Miscellaneous manufactures.....do.....	135	143	149	145	157	p161
Nondurable manufactures.....do.....	135	137	144	136	148	p149
Printing and publishing.....do.....	136	142	148	r144	147	p154
Petroleum and coal products.....do.....	140	138	143	r132	rp135	p135

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ITEM	1958		1959			
	August	September	June	July	August	September
GENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORS - Continued						
Industrial production (FRB) - Continued						
Unadjusted index - Continued						
Minerals.....1947-49=100..	120	123	127	r114	r116	p116
Coal.....do....	70	73	72	46	63	p65
Crude oil and natural gas.....do....	142	145	147	144	p144	p145
Adjusted, combined index.....do....	136	137	155	153	149	p148
Manufactures.....do....	138	139	158	157	r153	p152
Durable manufactures.....do....	144	145	172	r167	159	p158
Primary metals.....do....	109	113	150	r106	r67	p64
Metal fabricating (including ordnance).....do....	156	155	184	186	183	p183
Fabricated metal products.....do....	132	135	150	150	r147	p145
Machinery.....do....	147	148	178	180	r180	p181
Transportation equipment.....do....	186	178	216	218	r212	p209
Instruments and related products.....do....	162	166	197	199	r196	p197
Furniture and fixtures.....do....	123	126	145	149	r145	p145
Lumber and products.....do....	120	118	133	r137	132	.....
Stone, clay, and glass products.....do....	150	157	174	r180	r175	p173
Miscellaneous manufactures.....do....	134	137	152	r156	155	p153
Nondurable manufactures.....do....	133	133	r145	146	146	p145
Printing and publishing.....do....	140	140	149	r151	r152	p151
Petroleum and coal products.....do....	139	135	143	r135	r134	p132
Minerals.....do....	120	123	125	r118	r117	p116
Coal.....do....	68	70	73	56	61	p62
Crude oil and natural gas.....do....	146	149	148	148	p148	p149
Consumer durables output (FRB):						
Adjusted index, total.....do....	115	103	145	149	r142	p139
Major consumer durables.....do....	116	99	155	158	r149	p145
Autos.....do....	95	56	156	158	r134	p122
Major household goods.....do....	137	138	156	r161	r164	p167
Other consumer durables.....do....	112	113	124	128	r127	p127
COMMODITY PRICES						
Wholesale price index:						
All commodities.....1947-49=100..	119.1	119.1	119.7	119.5	119.1	119.6
By stage of processing:						
Crude materials for further processing.....do....	99.1	98.4	98.1	96.4	r95.6	95.9
Intermediate materials, supplies, and components.....do....	125.3	125.4	127.1	127.2	r127.0	126.9
Finished goods.....do....	120.6	120.9	120.5	120.7	120.2	121.4
Farm products.....do....						
Fruits and vegetables, fresh and dried.....do....	97.2	97.9	100.9	98.5	92.8	103.1
Grains.....do....	77.3	76.1	78.2	78.2	77.7	76.2
Livestock and live poultry.....do....	94.0	91.5	89.5	84.8	83.1	82.1
Foods, processed.....do....	111.3	111.1	108.1	107.5	105.8	107.8
Cereal and bakery products.....do....	116.9	117.8	119.2	119.5	r119.5	119.5
Dairy products and ice cream.....do....	112.2	113.7	111.9	113.9	114.7	116.2
Fruits and vegetables, canned and frozen.....do....	111.8	111.4	111.1	110.6	r107.6	106.9
Meats, poultry, and fish.....do....	108.2	107.1	101.9	99.3	94.8	99.8
Commodities other than farm products and foods.....do....						
Chemicals and allied products.....do....	126.1	126.2	128.2	128.4	128.4	128.4
Chemicals, industrial.....do....	110.0	109.9	110.0	109.9	109.7	109.9
Fuel, power, and lighting materials.....do....	122.8	122.7	123.8	123.9	123.7	123.8
Petroleum and products.....do....	113.7	114.1	111.2	r111.1	112.2	111.9
Furniture, other household durables.....do....	119.2	119.7	115.0	114.8	116.2	115.1
Appliances, household.....do....	123.0	123.0	123.6	123.8	r123.5	123.5
Iron and steel.....do....	104.7	104.0	104.9	104.4	104.4	104.4
Hides, skins, and leather products.....do....	100.5	100.2	118.9	119.3	r119.7	119.0
Lumber and wood products.....do....	118.6	120.4	128.9	128.3	128.5	127.2
Machinery and motive products.....do....	119.0	121.0	130.4	129.9	130.3	129.3
Electrical machinery and equipment.....do....	149.5	149.4	153.0	153.6	153.8	153.9
Motor vehicles.....do....	152.8	152.7	154.2	156.1	r155.8	155.8
Metals and metal products.....do....	139.0	139.0	143.2	143.2	143.2	143.2
Iron and steel.....do....	150.8	151.3	153.3	152.7	152.8	153.7
Nonmetallic minerals, structural.....do....	171.3	171.8	171.3	171.8	171.9	172.4
Pulp, paper, and allied products.....do....	135.2	136.7	137.4	137.5	137.4	137.4
Paper.....do....	131.0	131.7	132.3	132.4	132.3	132.4
Rubber and products.....do....	141.8	141.8	143.3	143.6	143.7	143.8
Textile products and apparel.....do....	144.4	145.2	147.3	r146.4	r141.1	142.2
Apparel.....do....	93.3	93.3	94.9	95.3	r95.7	95.9
Tobacco manufactures and bottled beverages.....do....	99.3	99.3	99.6	99.9	r100.4	100.6
Construction and real estate	128.0	128.0	132.2	134.5	134.5	134.5
CONSTRUCTION AND REAL ESTATE						
New construction (unadjusted), total.....mil. of dol..	4,666	4,745	r5,161	r5,243	r5,291	5,097
Private, total.....do....	3,126	3,157	r3,524	r3,633	r3,642	3,533
Residential (nonfarm).....do....	1,710	1,746	r2,096	r2,151	r2,135	2,100
New dwelling units.....do....	1,276	1,327	r1,583	r1,625	r1,614	1,590
Additions and alterations.....do....	382	366	r448	r458	r450	440
Nonresidential buildings, total.....do....	738	736	762	801	811	773
Industrial.....do....	171	167	161	167	175	166
Commercial.....do....	319	318	364	379	369	352
Farm construction.....do....	170	157	175	185	189	174
Public utility.....do....	491	500	474	r477	r488	466

ITEM	1958		1959			
	August	September	June	July	August	September
<b>CONSTRUCTION AND REAL ESTATE - Continued</b>						
<b>New construction (unadjusted) - Continued</b>						
Public, total.....mil. of dol..	1,540	1,588	r1,637	r1,610	r1,649	1,564
Nonresidential buildings.....do....	430	427	r408	r407	r410	382
Military facilities.....do.....	129	155	r159	r130	r135	136
Highway.....do.....	611	627	r654	r673	r695	657
<b>New construction (seasonally adjusted), total.....do....</b>	<b>4,042</b>	<b>4,105</b>	<b>r4,705</b>	<b>r4,658</b>	<b>r4,581</b>	<b>4,418</b>
Private, total.....do.....	2,789	2,821	r3,287	r3,288	r3,245	3,162
Residential (nonfarm).....do.....	1,500	1,535	r1,939	r1,924	r1,875	1,851
Nonresidential buildings, total <u>1</u> /.....do....	703	697	742	764	772	734
Industrial.....do.....	171	167	163	170	175	168
Commercial.....do.....	300	297	344	351	347	329
Farm construction.....do.....	131	131	146	146	145	146
Public utility.....do.....	440	442	446	r438	r436	413
Public, total.....do.....	1,253	1,284	r1,418	r1,370	r1,336	1,256
Nonresidential buildings.....do.....	389	387	r381	r380	r370	346
Military facilities.....do.....	109	124	r139	r116	r114	108
Highway.....do.....	438	442	r511	r510	r504	466
<b>New permanent nonfarm dwelling units started:</b>						
<b>Unadjusted:</b>						
Total, privately and publicly owned.....thous..	124.0	121.0	136.7	r128.8	129.0	120.4
Privately owned, total.....do.....	114.6	110.9	131.1	r127.2	124.8	117.0
In metropolitan areas.....do.....	78.5	76.9	90.5	r87.3	84.6	81.4
Publicly owned.....do.....	9.4	10.1	5.6	r1.6	4.2	3.4
<b>Seasonally adjusted at annual rate:</b>						
Privately owned.....do.....	1,228.0	1,255.0	1,368.0	r1,375.0	1,340.0	1,325.0
<b>Construction cost indexes:</b>						
Department of Commerce, composite.....1947-49=100..	139	139	142	142	142	.....
American Appraisal Co., The:						
Average, 30 cities.....1913=100..	683	690	705	707	709	709
Atlanta.....do.....	738	756	771	771	771	772
New York.....do.....	737	741	755	769	769	776
San Francisco.....do.....	637	639	658	658	659	660
St. Louis.....do.....	671	671	688	689	690	689
<b>METALS AND MANUFACTURES</b>						
<b>Copper:</b>						
<b>Production:</b>						
Mine, recoverable copper.....short tons..	66,163	82,053	r94,230	r87,375	53,134	.....
Refinery, primary.....do.....	104,630	114,662	128,700	125,748	.....	.....
From domestic ores.....do.....	73,693	82,602	101,401	94,234	.....	.....
From foreign ores.....do.....	30,937	32,060	27,299	31,514	.....	.....
Secondary, recovered as refined.....do.....	18,746	16,116	21,707	19,927	.....	.....
Consumption, refined (by mills, etc.).....do.....	116,250	114,979	146,838	p88,490	p118,731	.....
Stocks, refined, total, end of month.....do.....	316,448	268,726	181,671	p230,224	p192,128	.....
Fabricators'.....do.....	118,422	110,925	139,726	p178,295	p158,936	.....
Foundry equipment (new), new orders, net						
mo. avg. shipments, 1947-49=100..	74.1	64.5	125.1	110.7	134.1	.....
<b>Industrial trucks (electric), shipments:</b>						
Hand (motorized).....number..	233	385	574	579	355	.....
Rider-type.....do.....	211	294	384	400	273	.....
<b>Industrial trucks and tractors (gasoline-powered), shipments.....do.....</b>						
	1,182	1,510	2,040	1,916	2,161	.....

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