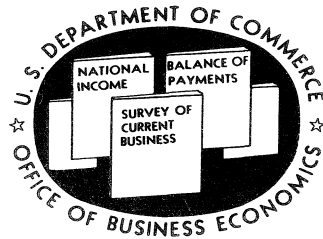


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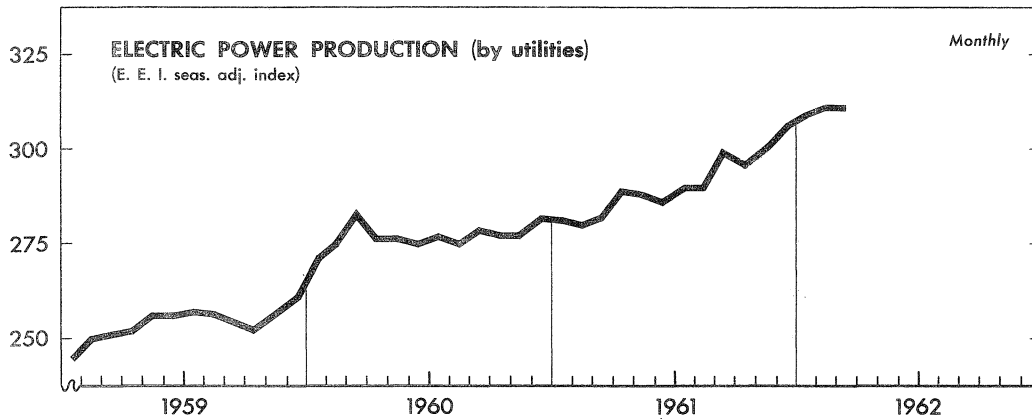


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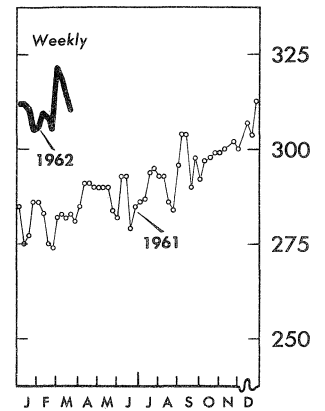
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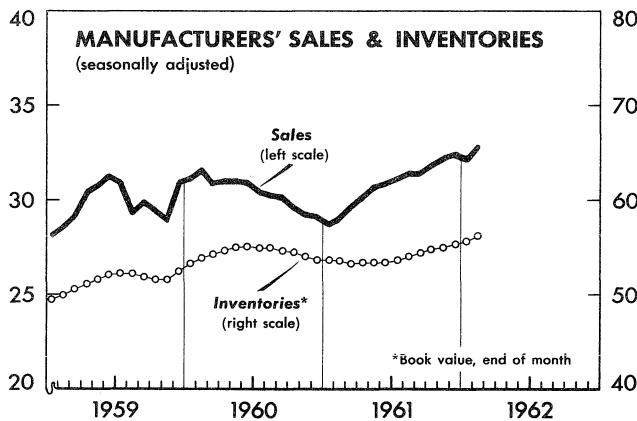
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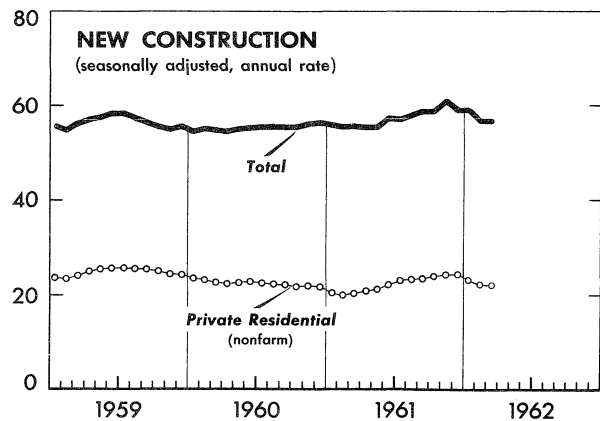
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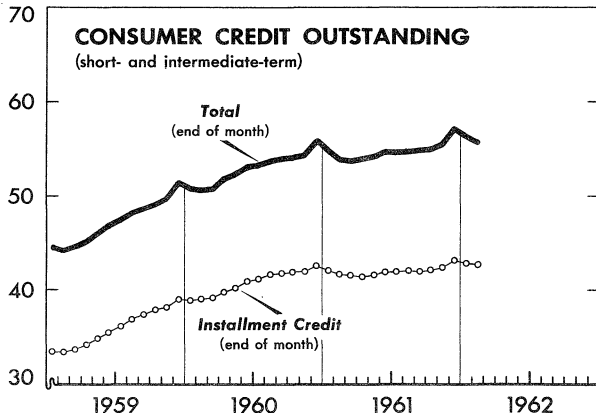
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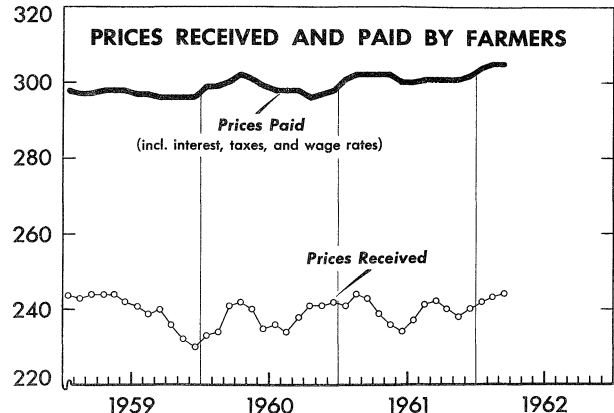
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WEEKLY BUSINESS STATISTICS<sup>1</sup>

ITEM	1961		1962			
	Mar. 25	Apr. 1	Mar. 10	Mar. 17	Mar. 24	Mar. 31
<b>COMMODITY PRICES, WHOLESALE:</b>						
All commodities.....1957-59=100..	.....	*101.0	100.7	100.7	100.6	100.5
Farm products.....do.....	.....	*98.1	97.8	98.6	98.7	98.1
Foods, processed.....do.....	.....	*101.6	102.2	101.7	101.3	101.2
All other.....do.....	.....	*101.2	100.7	100.7	100.7	100.7
22 commodities <u>2/</u> .....1947-49=100..	86.4	86.2	83.8	84.4	84.3	83.9
DEPARTMENT STORE SALES.....do.....	140	151	120	138	141	.....
INITIAL UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIMS, State programs.....thous..	368	349	306	270	255	.....
INSURED UNEMPLOYMENT, all programs.....do.....	3,316	3,228	2,834	2,761	.....	.....
State programs (50 States and Puerto Rico).....do.....	3,085	2,996	2,345	2,271	.....	.....
FAILURES, INDUST. AND COMMERCIAL (DUN & BRADSTREET).....number..	359	350	364	339	351	330
<b>FINANCE:</b>						
Currency in circulation <u>3/</u> .....mil. \$..	31,887	31,775	32,908	33,066	33,048	32,951
Federal Reserve bank credit outstanding, total <u>3/</u> .....do.....	28,234	27,863	29,974	29,917	30,176	30,121
Member bank reserve balances <u>3/</u> .....do.....	18,955	18,793	19,487	19,347	19,665	19,642
Excess reserves, estimated <u>3/</u> .....do.....	504	600	450	475	486	483
Reporting member banks (of F.R.System) in leading cities: <u>4/</u>						
Demand deposits, adjusted.....mil. \$..	.....	.....	62,286	63,090	61,904	.....
Savings deposits.....do.....	.....	.....	31,248	31,389	31,506	.....
Loans and investments (adjusted), total.....do.....	110,453	110,015	117,995	118,435	119,478	.....
U.S. Government obligations.....do.....	29,820	29,519	32,908	32,585	32,556	.....
Commercial and industrial loans (gross).....do.....	32,252	32,203	32,203	32,607	33,145	.....
Real estate loans (gross).....do.....	12,735	12,727	13,484	13,546	13,599	.....
Bond yields, domestic corporate (Moody's) <u>3/</u> .....percent..	4.53	4.53	4.68	4.67	4.66	4.65
Stock prices, 500 stocks (Stand. & Poor's) <u>4/</u> .....1941-43=100..	64.70	64.93	69.69	70.91	70.51	70.04
Industrials, 425 stocks.....do.....	68.36	68.64	73.57	74.93	74.42	73.93
<b>PRODUCTION:</b>						
Bituminous coal <u>3/</u> .....thous. sh. tons..	1,132	1,179	1,313	1,369	1,365	.....
Electric power, by utilities.....mil. kw.-hr..	14,549	14,163	16,418	16,142	15,879	.....
Motor vehicles (cars, trucks, coaches).....number..	109,446	123,490	157,440	160,284	165,412	162,974
Petroleum (crude) and condensate <u>3/</u> .....thous. bbl..	7,366	7,351	7,266	7,335	7,357	.....
Steel.....thous. sh. tons..	1,611	1,632	2,367	2,387	2,394	2,417
Index of production.....1957-59=100..	86.5	87.6	127.1	128.1	128.5	129.7
<b>FREIGHT CARLOADINGS, TOTAL.....thous. cars..</b>						
Miscellaneous.....do.....	280	285	285	296	305	.....

1/ Data do not always cover calendar weeks. 2/ Tuesday prices. 3/ Daily average. 4/ Wednesday data. \* Monthly index for Mar. 1961.

## MONTHLY BUSINESS STATISTICS

ITEM	1961				1962	
	January	February	November	December	January	February
<b>GENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORS</b>						
<b>MANUFACTURERS' SALES:</b>						
VALUE (UNADJUSTED), TOTAL.....bil. \$..	27.69	27.42	32.18	31.21	r31.47	30.56
Durable goods industries, total <u>1/</u> .....do.....	12.59	12.58	15.66	15.35	r15.13	14.80
Primary metal.....do.....	1.81	1.71	2.17	2.18	r2.35	2.27
Fabricated metal.....do.....	1.39	1.36	1.72	1.62	r1.64	1.57
Machinery (including electrical).....do.....	4.35	4.48	5.03	5.14	r4.84	4.90
Transportation equipment (incl. motor vehicles).....do.....	2.87	2.82	3.84	3.82	r3.71	3.47
Lumber and furniture.....do.....	.68	.67	.87	.76	r.78	.80
Stone, clay, and glass.....do.....	.58	.58	.80	.68	r.69	.66
Nondurable goods industries, total <u>1/</u> .....do.....	15.10	14.85	16.53	15.86	r16.34	15.76
Food and beverage.....do.....	4.52	4.51	4.89	4.70	r4.73	4.59
Tobacco.....do.....	.38	.36	.45	.40	r.41	.38
Textile.....do.....	1.04	1.08	1.32	1.25	r1.29	1.29
Paper.....do.....	1.04	1.02	1.16	1.11	r1.17	1.12
Chemical.....do.....	2.23	2.12	2.55	2.39	r2.63	2.46
Petroleum and coal.....do.....	3.33	3.07	3.16	3.31	r3.38	3.07
Rubber.....do.....	.45	.42	.50	.49	r.53	.50
VALUE (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED), TOTAL.....do.....	28.67	29.03	32.18	32.40	r32.09	32.78
Durable goods industries, total <u>1/</u> .....do.....	13.17	13.32	15.62	15.66	r15.55	15.90
Primary metal.....do.....	1.76	1.81	2.19	2.27	r2.27	2.42
Fabricated metal.....do.....	1.55	1.56	1.80	1.80	r1.80	1.84
Machinery (including electrical).....do.....	4.65	4.65	5.11	5.13	r5.10	5.17
Transportation equipment (incl. motor vehicles).....do.....	2.77	2.83	3.62	3.55	r3.46	3.52
Lumber and furniture.....do.....	.74	.73	.88	.87	r.86	.90
Stone, clay, and glass.....do.....	.69	.70	.83	.80	r.82	.82
Nondurable goods industries, total <u>1/</u> .....do.....	15.50	15.71	16.56	16.74	r16.54	16.89
Food and beverage.....do.....	4.73	4.87	4.84	4.94	r4.86	4.96
Tobacco.....do.....	.41	.41	.43	.40	r.43	.43
Textile.....do.....	1.08	1.10	1.27	1.34	r1.33	1.34
Paper.....do.....	1.06	1.08	1.19	1.22	r1.19	1.21
Chemical.....do.....	2.26	2.30	2.65	2.66	r2.66	2.71
Petroleum and coal.....do.....	3.23	3.18	3.17	3.15	r3.19	3.24
Rubber.....do.....	.45	.46	.54	.53	r.52	.57

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ITEM	1961				1962	
	January	February	November	December	January	February
GENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORS--Continued						
MANUFACTURERS' INVENTORIES, END OF MONTH:						
BOOK VALUE (UNADJUSTED), TOTAL.....bil. \$..	54.07	54.08	54.59	55.19	r55.98	56.52
Durable goods industries, total <u>1</u> /.....do....	30.88	30.91	30.99	31.23	r31.84	32.36
Primary metal.....do....	4.61	4.57	4.82	4.91	r4.91	4.91
Fabricated metal.....do....	2.97	3.00	2.97	3.00	3.12	3.25
Machinery (including electrical).....do....	10.26	10.32	10.22	10.31	10.46	10.67
Transportation equipment (incl.motor vehicles).....do....	7.06	6.98	6.99	6.93	r7.14	7.25
Lumber and furniture.....do....	1.86	1.85	1.81	1.84	1.86	1.85
Stone, clay, and glass.....do....	1.45	1.48	1.42	1.46	1.49	1.52
Nondurable goods industries, total <u>1</u> /.....do....	23.19	23.16	23.60	23.96	r24.14	24.16
Food and beverage.....do....	5.13	5.02	5.46	5.44	r5.40	5.26
Tobacco.....do....	2.14	2.10	2.11	2.28	r2.34	2.31
Textile.....do....	2.71	2.77	2.64	2.68	r2.78	2.83
Paper.....do....	1.63	1.66	1.66	1.68	r1.70	1.73
Chemical.....do....	4.23	4.28	4.23	4.35	r4.35	4.41
Petroleum and coal.....do....	3.24	3.24	3.46	3.43	r3.31	3.29
Rubber.....do....	1.16	1.17	1.11	1.13	r1.16	1.19
BOOK VALUE (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED), TOTAL.....do....	53.67	53.60	55.03	55.20	r55.73	56.20
Durable goods industries, total <u>1</u> /.....do....	30.76	30.65	31.53	31.47	r31.88	32.23
Primary metal.....do....	4.49	4.51	4.74	4.78	r4.84	4.89
Fabricated metal.....do....	3.02	3.02	3.15	3.16	r3.23	3.30
Machinery (including electrical).....do....	10.32	10.28	10.42	10.46	r10.56	10.66
Transportation equipment (incl.motor vehicles).....do....	6.92	6.86	7.04	6.87	r7.00	7.12
Lumber and furniture.....do....	1.85	1.85	1.85	1.86	r1.86	1.85
Stone, clay, and glass.....do....	1.44	1.43	1.48	1.47	1.48	1.48
Nondurable goods industries, total <u>1</u> /.....do....	22.91	22.95	23.50	23.72	r23.84	23.97
Food and beverage.....do....	5.00	5.01	5.19	5.24	r5.27	5.25
Tobacco.....do....	2.01	1.98	2.12	2.17	r2.18	2.19
Textile.....do....	2.70	2.73	2.75	2.74	r2.78	2.78
Paper.....do....	1.62	1.63	1.70	1.68	r1.70	1.71
Chemical.....do....	4.17	4.19	4.21	4.28	r4.29	4.32
Petroleum and coal.....do....	3.29	3.32	3.37	3.42	r3.36	3.37
Rubber.....do....	1.13	1.13	1.12	1.13	r1.14	1.17
MANUFACTURERS' ORDERS:						
New orders, net (unadjusted), total.....do....	27.58	27.68	32.44	31.61	r32.23	31.06
Durable goods industries, total <u>1</u> /.....do....	12.35	12.76	15.86	15.81	r15.92	15.21
Primary metal.....do....	1.85	1.85	2.36	2.69	r3.01	2.40
Fabricated metal.....do....	1.38	1.38	1.71	1.68	r1.75	1.65
Machinery (including electrical).....do....	4.25	4.46	5.11	5.06	r5.01	5.12
Transportation equipment (incl.motor vehicles).....do....	2.63	2.82	3.80	3.82	r3.44	3.29
Nondurable goods industries, total.....do....	15.24	14.91	16.58	15.79	r16.31	15.85
New orders, net (seasonally adjusted), total.....do....	28.50	29.11	32.70	32.85	r32.97	33.04
Durable goods industries, total <u>1</u> /.....do....	12.88	13.36	16.10	16.24	r16.47	16.11
Primary metal.....do....	1.81	1.75	2.33	2.82	r2.84	2.34
Fabricated metal.....do....	1.52	1.49	1.85	1.84	r1.93	1.84
Machinery (including electrical).....do....	4.54	4.59	5.46	5.14	r5.37	5.33
Transportation equipment (incl.motor vehicles).....do....	2.66	3.07	3.53	3.32	r3.38	3.53
Nondurable goods industries, total.....do....	15.62	15.76	16.60	16.61	r16.51	16.94
Unfilled orders, end of month (unadjusted), total.....do....	45.27	45.52	47.80	48.20	r48.96	49.45
Durable goods industries, total <u>1</u> /.....do....	42.60	42.79	44.66	45.12	r45.91	46.31
Primary metal.....do....	3.45	3.59	4.25	4.76	r5.45	5.58
Fabricated metal.....do....	2.73	2.75	2.93	2.98	3.10	3.18
Machinery (including electrical).....do....	17.38	17.36	18.18	18.10	r18.27	18.49
Transportation equipment (incl.motor vehicles).....do....	14.70	14.70	14.64	14.64	r14.36	14.18
Nondurable goods industries, total.....do....	2.67	2.73	3.14	3.08	r3.05	3.14
FINANCE						
CONSUMER CREDIT (SHORT- AND INTERMEDIATE-TERM):						
Total outstanding, end of month.....mil. \$..	54,726	53,843	55,451	57,139	56,278	55,592
Installment credit, total.....do....	42,122	41,662	42,419	43,163	42,846	42,632
Installment credit extended and repaid:						
Unadjusted: Extended, total.....do....	3,426	3,183	4,275	4,754	3,756	3,566
Repaid, total.....do....	3,895	3,643	4,037	4,010	4,073	3,780
Adjusted: Extended, total.....do....	3,866	3,812	4,317	4,315	4,194	4,302
Repaid, total.....do....	3,875	3,889	4,017	4,051	3,979	4,066
TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATIONS						
Telephone carriers:						
Operating revenues.....mil. \$..	718.1	701.1	762.9	771.6	.....	.....
Operating expenses (before taxes).....do....	428.7	417.4	452.3	459.1	.....	.....
Net operating income.....do....	120.6	117.8	131.5	134.5	.....	.....
Telegraph, cable, and radiotelegraph carriers:						
Wire-telegraph: Operating revenues.....thous. \$..	21,713	20,727	21,483	22,411	22,093	.....
Operating expenses.....do....	20,206	18,866	19,878	20,074	20,106	.....
Net operating revenues.....do....	216	590	797	1,770	598	.....
Ocean-cable: Operating revenues.....do....	3,011	2,766	3,083	3,186	3,276	.....
Operating expenses.....do....	2,479	2,308	2,406	2,113	2,583	.....
Net operating revenues.....do....	220	158	351	723	344	.....
Radiotelegraph: Operating revenues.....do....	4,275	4,051	4,531	4,731	4,632	.....
Operating expenses.....do....	3,395	3,264	3,467	3,711	3,534	.....
Net operating revenues.....do....	737	651	892	845	928	.....

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ITEM	1961			1962		
	February	March	December	January	February	March
COMMODITY PRICES						
PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS, ALL FARM PRODUCTS, 1910-14=100.	244	243	240	242	243	244
Crops.....do.....	221	224	224	224	227	233
Commercial vegetables.....do.....	210	217	213	252	285	317
Cotton.....do.....	227	240	269	257	246	248
Feed grains and hay.....do.....	150	150	150	152	152	153
Food grains.....do.....	209	208	219	218	219	223
Fruit.....do.....	260	260	217	209	217	229
Oil-bearing crops.....do.....	250	264	250	250	253	252
Potatoes (including dry edible beans).....do.....	172	161	130	127	125	132
Tobacco.....do.....	517	516	544	538	543	543
Livestock and products.....do.....	263	259	255	256	257	254
Dairy products.....do.....	263	256	273	266	264	254
Meat animals.....do.....	309	309	299	304	305	307
Poultry and eggs.....do.....	169	160	146	149	154	147
Wool.....do.....	224	226	229	231	237	240
PRICES PAID BY FARMERS:						
All commodities and services.....do.....	277	277	277	278	279	279
Family living items.....do.....	292	290	292	293	294	294
Production items.....do.....	267	268	267	268	268	269
All commod., services, int., taxes, and wage rates <u>1</u> /.....do.....	302	302	302	304	305	305
PARITY RATIO <u>2</u> /.....do.....	81	80	79	80	80	80
CONSTRUCTION AND REAL ESTATE						
NEW CONSTRUCTION PUT IN PLACE (UNADJ.), TOTAL.....mil. \$..	3,684	3,979	4,659	r4,082	r3,766	4,052
Private, total.....do.....	2,645	2,842	3,345	r2,962	r2,771	2,964
Residential (nonfarm).....do.....	1,322	1,483	1,896	r1,629	r1,466	1,603
New housing units.....do.....	939	1,056	1,432	r1,208	r1,075	1,171
Additions and alterations.....do.....	292	337	366	r324	r295	338
Nonresidential buildings, total <u>3</u> /.....do.....	858	831	908	863	835	833
Industrial.....do.....	259	246	221	225	224	221
Commercial.....do.....	352	345	398	365	346	348
Stores, restaurants, and garages.....do.....	157	160	203	175	163	167
Farm construction.....do.....	81	100	97	r92	r91	100
Public utilities.....do.....	363	406	427	r360	r362	409
Public, total.....do.....	1,039	1,137	1,314	r1,120	r995	1,088
Nonresidential buildings.....do.....	356	403	391	385	r350	387
Military facilities.....do.....	109	119	79	r54	r66	74
Highways.....do.....	267	271	490	332	r241	254
NEW CONSTRUCTION PUT IN PLACE (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED AT ANNUAL RATES), TOTAL.....mil. \$..	55,717	55,794	58,910	r59,019	r56,698	56,641
Private, total.....do.....	37,962	38,511	41,881	r41,077	r39,944	40,226
Residential (nonfarm).....do.....	20,016	20,508	24,440	r23,187	r22,154	22,146
Nonresidential buildings, total <u>3</u> /.....do.....	11,100	10,960	10,564	10,982	10,849	11,033
Industrial.....do.....	2,992	2,957	2,537	2,590	2,592	2,653
Commercial.....do.....	4,821	4,743	4,641	4,928	4,756	4,795
Stores, restaurants, and garages.....do.....	2,356	2,338	2,434	2,612	2,444	2,442
Farm construction.....do.....	1,157	1,334	1,337	r1,316	r1,306	1,346
Public utilities.....do.....	5,384	5,398	5,337	r5,357	r5,378	5,432
Public, total.....do.....	17,755	17,283	17,029	r17,942	r16,754	16,415
Nonresidential buildings.....do.....	5,157	5,221	5,073	r5,051	r5,073	5,012
Military facilities.....do.....	1,942	1,764	982	r791	r1,171	1,088
Highways.....do.....	5,934	5,662	6,235	7,250	r5,414	5,350
CONSTRUCTION COST INDEXES:						
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE COMPOSITE.....1947-49=100..	144	144	145	r145	r147	147

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