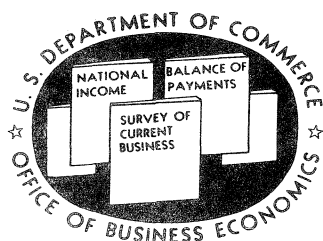


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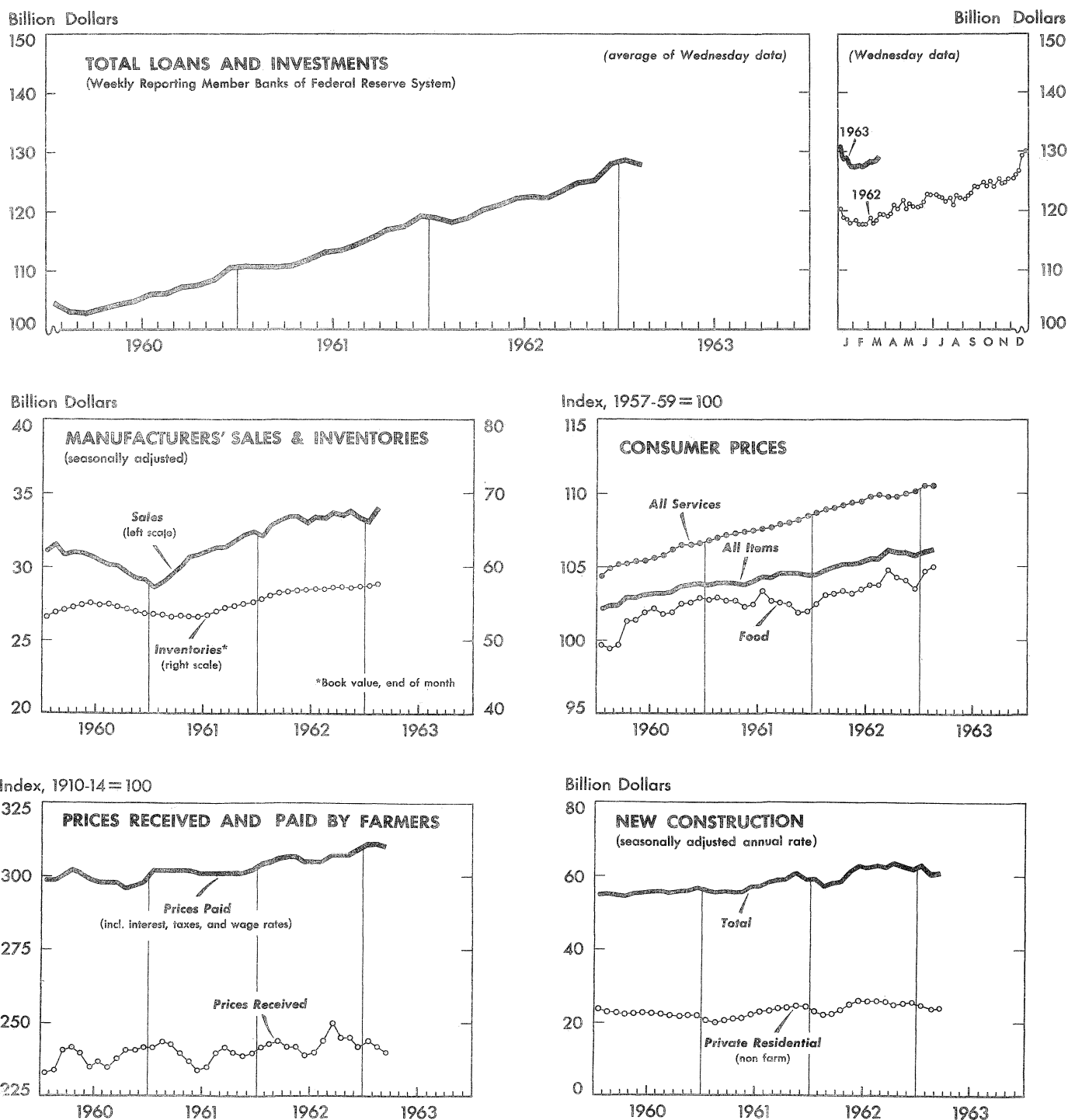
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SELECTED BUSINESS INDICATORS



WEEKLY BUSINESS STATISTICS¹

ITEM	1962		1963			
	Mar. 24	Mar. 31	Mar. 9	Mar. 16	Mar. 23	Mar. 30
COMMODITY PRICES, WHOLESALE:						
All commodities.....1957-59=100..	.....	*100.7	100.2	100.0	99.9	99.9
Farm products.....do....	.....	*98.4	96.1	95.4	95.6	95.2
Foods, processed.....do....	.....	*101.6	99.9	99.1	99.1	99.1
All other.....do....	.....	*100.8	100.7	100.7	100.6	100.7
22 commodities 2/.....do....	97.2	96.8	92.7	92.2	91.8	92.1
ALL RETAIL STORES, SALES.....mil. \$..	.....	.....	4,323	4,362	4,456	.....
DEPARTMENT STORE SALES.....1957-59=100..	101	106	92	103	106	.....
INITIAL UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIMS, State programs.....thous..	255	244	291	268	263	.....
INSURED UNEMPLOYMENT, all programs.....do....	2,631	2,509	2,591	2,518	.....	.....
State programs (50 States and Puerto Rico).....do....	2,149	2,035	2,418	2,348	.....	.....
FAILURES, INDUST. AND COMMERCIAL (Dun & Bradstreet).....number..	351	330	302	348	295	329
FINANCE:						
Currency in circulation 3/.....mil. \$..	33,048	32,951	34,279	34,454	34,511	34,415
Federal Reserve bank credit outstanding, total 3/.....do....	30,176	30,121	32,444	32,402	32,441	32,555
Member bank reserve balances 3/.....do....	19,665	19,648	19,519	19,421	19,507	19,586
Excess reserves, estimated 3/.....do....	484	459	397	488	380	478
Reporting member banks (of F.R. System) in leading cities: 4/						
Demand deposits, adjusted.....mil. \$..	61,904	62,229	61,703	63,232	61,936	.....
Savings deposits.....do....	31,518	31,621	35,562	35,657	35,751	.....
Loans and investments (adjusted), total.....do....	119,478	119,538	128,158	128,491	129,105	.....
U.S. Government obligations.....do....	32,556	32,214	30,940	30,722	30,911	.....
Commercial and industrial loans (gross).....do....	33,145	33,014	34,639	34,746	35,285	.....
Real estate loans (gross).....do....	13,599	13,620	15,784	15,827	15,872	.....
Bond yields, domestic corporate (Moody's) 3/.....percent..	4.66	4.65	4.47	4.47	4.47	4.46
Stock prices, 500 stocks (Stand. & Poor's) 4/.....1941-43=100..	70.51	70.04	64.85	65.91	65.95	66.68
Industrials, 425 stocks.....do....	74.42	73.93	67.77	68.97	69.02	69.83
PRODUCTION:						
Bituminous coal 3/.....thous. sh. tons..	1,362	1,399	1,231	1,217	1,320	.....
Electric power, by utilities.....mil. kw.-hr..	15,879	15,552	17,061	16,949	16,860	.....
Motor vehicles (cars, trucks, coaches).....number..	165,364	162,542	180,989	180,564	186,442	188,707
Petroleum (crude) and condensate 3/.....thous. bbl..	7,357	7,353	7,460	7,437	7,461	.....
Steel.....thous. sh. tons..	2,394	2,417	2,178	2,225	2,330	2,387
Index of production.....1957-59=100..	128.5	129.7	116.9	119.4	125.1	128.1
FREIGHT CARLOADINGS, TOTAL.....thous. cars..						
Miscellaneous.....do....	556	565	518	517	535	.....
	305	316	289	296	299	.....

1/ Data do not always cover calendar weeks. 2/ Tuesday price. 3/ Daily average. 4/ Wednesday data. * Monthly index for Mar. 1962.

MONTHLY BUSINESS STATISTICS

ITEM	1962				1963	
	Jan.	Feb.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.
GENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORS						
MANUFACTURERS' SALES:						
VALUE (UNADJUSTED), TOTAL.....bil. \$..	31.43	30.62	34.13	31.66	r32.34	31.81
Durable goods industries, total 1/.....do....	15.09	14.86	16.67	15.64	r15.51	r15.35
Primary metal.....do....	2.33	2.26	2.11	1.92	2.08	2.02
Fabricated metal.....do....	1.64	1.56	1.84	1.63	r1.70	1.67
Machinery (including electrical).....do....	4.84	4.95	5.34	5.30	r5.02	5.13
Transportation equipment (incl. motor vehicles).....do....	3.73	3.55	4.24	4.09	r3.96	3.80
Lumber and furniture.....do....	.77	.78	.94	.77	r.83	.84
Stone, clay, and glass.....do....	.68	.65	.86	.72	r.74	.71
Nondurable goods industries, total 1/.....do....	16.34	15.76	17.46	16.03	r16.83	16.46
Food and beverage.....do....	4.73	4.58	5.30	4.81	4.93	4.81
Tobacco.....do....	.41	.37	.45	.42	.42	.38
Textile.....do....	1.29	1.31	1.44	1.27	r1.29	1.37
Paper.....do....	1.17	1.12	1.21	1.11	1.21	1.16
Chemical.....do....	2.63	2.50	2.66	2.42	r2.69	2.61
Petroleum and coal.....do....	3.38	3.00	3.22	3.29	r3.44	3.10
Rubber.....do....	.53	.49	.54	.50	.56	.50
VALUE (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED), TOTAL.....do....	32.04	32.85	33.86	33.36	r33.13	34.03
Durable goods industries, total 1/.....do....	15.50	15.95	16.46	16.18	r16.01	r16.52
Primary metal.....do....	2.27	2.41	2.17	2.04	2.03	2.12
Fabricated metal.....do....	1.80	1.83	1.92	1.84	r1.88	1.95
Machinery (including electrical).....do....	5.10	5.22	5.43	5.41	r5.29	5.38
Transportation equipment (incl. motor vehicles).....do....	3.48	3.60	3.80	3.83	r3.72	3.96
Lumber and furniture.....do....	.85	.88	.95	.89	r.93	.96
Stone, clay, and glass.....do....	.80	.80	.87	.86	r.87	.86
Nondurable goods industries, total 1/.....do....	16.54	16.89	17.41	17.17	r17.13	17.51
Food and beverage.....do....	4.86	4.95	5.22	5.12	r5.06	5.14
Tobacco.....do....	.43	.43	.42	.42	.44	.43
Textile.....do....	1.33	1.37	1.37	1.39	r1.33	1.42
Paper.....do....	1.19	1.21	1.22	1.24	1.23	1.24
Chemical.....do....	2.66	2.75	2.76	2.73	r2.74	2.85
Petroleum and coal.....do....	3.19	3.17	3.21	3.17	r3.26	3.24
Rubber.....do....	.52	.56	.58	.55	.55	.56

ITEM	1962				1963	
	Jan.	Feb.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.
GENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORS--Continued						
MANUFACTURERS' INVENTORIES, END OF MONTH:						
BOOK VALUE (UNADJUSTED), TOTAL.....bil. \$..	55.98	56.51	56.99	57.21	r57.69	58.05
Durable goods industries, total $\downarrow$do....	31.84	32.33	32.38	32.34	r32.68	33.00
Primary metal.....do....	4.91	4.90	4.67	4.73	r4.65	4.63
Fabricated metal.....do....	3.12	3.22	2.99	3.00	r3.09	3.14
Machinery (including electrical).....do....	10.46	10.67	11.10	11.06	r11.19	11.30
Transportation equipment (incl. motor vehicles).....do....	7.14	7.24	7.42	7.31	r7.43	7.51
Lumber and furniture.....do....	1.86	1.84	1.80	1.80	r1.82	1.83
Stone, clay, and glass.....do....	1.49	1.52	1.49	1.52	r1.55	1.58
Nondurable goods industries, total $\downarrow$do....	24.14	24.18	24.61	24.88	r25.01	25.06
Food and beverage.....do....	5.40	5.27	5.64	5.58	r5.47	5.39
Tobacco.....do....	2.34	2.31	2.14	2.24	r2.30	2.31
Textile.....do....	2.78	2.83	2.76	2.80	r2.86	2.91
Paper.....do....	1.70	1.73	1.72	1.74	r1.76	1.78
Chemical.....do....	4.35	4.41	4.44	4.57	r4.64	4.68
Petroleum and coal.....do....	3.31	3.30	3.51	3.47	r3.35	3.31
BOOK VALUE (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED), TOTAL.....do....	55.73	56.18	57.19	57.40	r57.48	57.71
Durable goods industries, total $\downarrow$do....	31.88	32.19	32.66	32.69	r32.73	32.84
Primary metal.....do....	4.84	4.89	4.60	4.62	r4.59	4.61
Fabricated metal.....do....	3.23	3.25	3.15	3.17	r3.19	3.17
Machinery (including electrical).....do....	10.56	10.65	11.23	11.26	r11.31	11.30
Transportation equipment (incl. motor vehicles).....do....	7.00	7.12	7.36	7.29	r7.28	7.38
Lumber and furniture.....do....	1.86	1.84	1.81	1.82	r1.82	1.84
Stone, clay, and glass.....do....	1.48	1.48	1.55	1.54	r1.54	1.54
Nondurable goods industries, total $\downarrow$do....	23.84	23.99	24.53	24.71	r24.76	24.86
Food and beverage.....do....	5.27	5.26	5.35	5.40	r5.34	5.38
Tobacco.....do....	2.18	2.19	2.12	2.14	r2.13	2.18
Textile.....do....	2.78	2.78	2.90	2.87	r2.86	2.86
Paper.....do....	1.70	1.71	1.74	1.75	r1.76	1.76
Chemical.....do....	4.29	4.31	4.44	4.51	r4.58	4.58
Petroleum and coal.....do....	3.36	3.39	3.42	3.46	r3.44	3.41
MANUFACTURERS' ORDERS:						
New orders, net (unadjusted), total.....do....	32.20	31.13	33.47	31.48	r33.08	32.78
Durable goods industries, total $\downarrow$do....	15.89	15.33	16.07	15.52	r16.17	r16.29
Primary metal.....do....	3.01	2.38	2.10	1.89	r2.29	2.32
Fabricated metal.....do....	1.75	1.64	1.81	1.62	r1.76	1.71
Machinery (including electrical).....do....	5.01	5.14	5.08	5.33	r5.15	5.32
Transportation equipment (incl. motor vehicles).....do....	3.47	3.48	4.04	4.11	r4.13	4.22
Nondurable goods industries, total.....do....	16.31	15.81	17.40	15.96	r16.91	16.49
New orders, net (seasonally adjusted), total.....do....	32.94	33.08	33.76	33.04	r33.90	34.60
Durable goods industries, total $\downarrow$do....	16.43	16.19	16.34	16.02	r16.71	17.15
Primary metal.....do....	2.84	2.33	2.07	2.00	r2.14	2.23
Fabricated metal.....do....	1.93	1.83	1.95	1.81	r1.92	1.91
Machinery (including electrical).....do....	5.37	5.35	5.42	5.44	r5.51	5.49
Transportation equipment (incl. motor vehicles).....do....	3.40	3.70	3.82	3.66	r4.02	4.48
Nondurable goods industries, total.....do....	16.51	16.89	17.42	17.02	r17.19	17.45
Unfilled orders, end of month (unadjusted), total.....do....	48.97	49.46	45.84	45.65	r46.39	47.36
Durable goods industries, total $\downarrow$do....	45.92	46.37	43.03	42.92	r43.57	r44.52
Primary metal.....do....	5.45	5.57	3.67	3.64	r3.85	4.14
Fabricated metal.....do....	3.10	3.18	2.90	2.90	r2.96	3.00
Machinery (including electrical).....do....	18.27	18.47	17.73	17.76	r17.89	18.08
Transportation equipment (incl. motor vehicles).....do....	14.38	14.30	14.08	14.10	r14.27	14.69
Nondurable goods industries, total.....do....	3.05	3.09	2.80	2.74	r2.82	2.85
Unfilled orders, end of month (seas. adj.), total.....do....	48.86	49.10	45.54	45.85	r46.28	47.00
Durable goods industries, total.....do....	45.74	45.96	43.03	43.00	r43.40	r44.12
Nondurable goods industries, total.....do....	3.12	3.14	2.91	2.85	r2.88	2.86
NEW BUSINESS INCORPORATIONS (Dun & Bradstreet, Inc.):						
Unadjusted.....number..	18,343	14,365	12,926	13,925	17,348	14,012
Seasonally adjusted.....do....	r15,279	r15,775	r14,892	r14,767	r14,457	15,398
INDUSTRIAL AND COMMERCIAL FAILURES (Dun & Bradstreet, Inc.):						
Failures, total.....number..	1,447	1,353	1,216	1,101	1,258	1,304
Commercial service.....do....	114	110	109	100	113	112
Construction.....do....	231	251	193	219	183	228
Manufacturing and mining.....do....	213	216	200	181	244	199
Retail trade.....do....	749	625	590	497	582	629
Wholesale trade.....do....	140	151	124	104	136	136
Liabilities (current), total.....thous. \$..	106,609	90,499	98,841	81,275	160,963	94,715
Commercial service.....do....	8,858	5,134	16,184	8,785	7,738	7,198
Construction.....do....	19,017	26,495	16,095	18,744	31,113	22,530
Manufacturing and mining.....do....	39,071	25,023	34,069	20,671	56,054	26,971
Retail trade.....do....	28,886	24,611	24,107	22,744	29,552	26,098
Wholesale trade.....do....	10,777	9,236	8,386	10,331	36,506	11,918
Failure annual rate (seas. adj.)..No. per 10,000 concerns..	62.9	61.1	59.4	56.0	55.2	60.7
COMMODITY PRICES						
CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, ALL ITEMS.....1957-59=100..	104.5	104.8	106.0	105.8	106.0	*106.1
Special group indexes:						
All items less food.....do....	105.3	105.5	106.7	106.7	106.5	106.6
All items less shelter.....do....	104.4	104.8	106.0	105.8	105.9	106.1
All commodities.....do....	102.3	102.7	103.9	103.6	103.6	103.8
Nondurables.....do....	102.6	103.1	104.2	104.0	104.3	104.5
Durables.....do....	100.8	100.8	102.2	101.7	100.4	100.6
Services.....do....	108.7	108.9	110.0	110.1	110.5	110.5

ITEM	1962				1963	
	Jan.	Feb.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.
COMMODITY PRICES--Continued						
CONSUMER PRICE INDEX--Continued						
Apparel.....1957-59=100..	101.8	102.0	104.3	103.9	103.0	103.3
Food.....do....	102.5	103.1	104.1	103.5	104.7	105.0
Dairy products.....do....	105.6	105.1	104.2	103.9	103.8	103.6
Fruits and vegetables.....do....	100.6	102.9	102.1	100.2	106.4	109.4
Meats, poultry, and fish.....do....	99.8	100.6	103.5	102.5	102.5	102.1
Housing.....do....	104.4	104.6	105.1	105.2	105.4	105.4
Gas and electricity.....do....	107.8	107.9	108.1	108.1	108.2	108.0
Housefurnishings.....do....	98.7	99.3	98.7	98.6	97.9	98.3
Rent.....do....	105.1	105.2	106.2	106.2	106.3	106.4
Medical care.....do....	112.6	113.0	115.0	115.3	115.5	115.6
Personal care.....do....	105.6	105.8	107.1	107.6	107.4	107.3
Reading and recreation.....do....	108.5	109.1	110.1	110.0	110.2	110.0
Transportation.....do....	106.0	106.0	108.3	108.0	106.6	106.8
Other goods and services.....do....	104.9	105.0	105.6	105.6	105.7	105.7
PURCHASING POWER OF THE DOLLAR AS MEASURED BY--						
Consumer prices.....do....	95.7	95.4	94.3	94.5	94.3	*94.3
CONSTRUCTION AND REAL ESTATE						
NEW CONSTRUCTION PUT IN PLACE (UNADJ.), TOTAL.....mil. \$..	1962			1963		
	Feb.	Mar.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.
Private, total.....do....	3,773	4,131	4,888	r4,334	r4,005	4,323
Residential (nonfarm).....do....	2,769	2,987	3,535	r3,138	r2,943	3,130
New housing units.....do....	1,472	1,629	1,999	r1,746	r1,578	1,734
Additions and alterations.....do....	1,078	1,192	1,541	r1,309	r1,152	1,264
Nonresidential buildings, total 1/.....do....	298	343	351	r335	r326	373
Industrial.....do....	835	833	964	899	r869	851
Commercial.....do....	224	221	243	241	235	228
Stores, restaurants, and garages.....do....	346	348	428	382	368	363
Farm construction.....do....	163	167	189	155	151	155
Public utilities.....do....	90	96	95	92	94	98
Public, total.....do....	355	410	453	r378	r382	426
Non-residential buildings.....do....	1,004	1,144	1,353	r1,196	r1,062	1,193
Military facilities.....do....	353	392	390	r389	r350	382
Highways.....do....	70	95	104	104	.....	.....
NEW CONSTRUCTION PUT IN PLACE (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED AT ANNUAL RATES), TOTAL.....mil. \$..	241	279	496	338	277	.....
Private, total.....do....	56,714	57,748	61,823	r62,917	r60,396	60,661
Residential (nonfarm).....do....	39,909	40,553	44,134	r43,434	r42,370	42,497
Nonresidential buildings, total 1/.....do....	22,245	22,507	25,654	r24,830	r23,866	23,969
Industrial.....do....	10,849	11,033	11,205	11,348	11,219	11,244
Commercial.....do....	2,592	2,653	2,788	2,773	2,716	2,742
Stores, restaurants, and garages.....do....	4,756	4,795	4,979	5,086	4,999	4,982
Farm construction.....do....	2,444	2,442	2,262	2,310	2,256	2,266
Public utilities.....do....	1,284	1,295	1,332	1,330	1,326	1,323
Public, total.....do....	5,274	5,449	5,657	r5,621	r5,659	5,665
Nonresidential buildings.....do....	16,805	17,195	17,689	r19,483	r18,026	18,164
Military facilities.....do....	5,116	5,069	5,083	r5,096	r5,072	4,923
Highways.....do....	1,211	1,328	1,324	1,787	.....	.....
CONSTRUCTION COST INDEX:	5,414	5,771	6,343	7,483	6,180	
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE COMPOSITE.....1947-49=100..	147	147	149	149	150	150

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