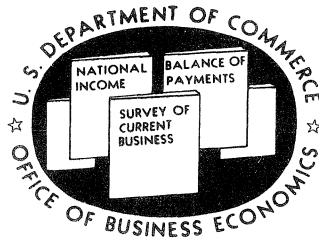


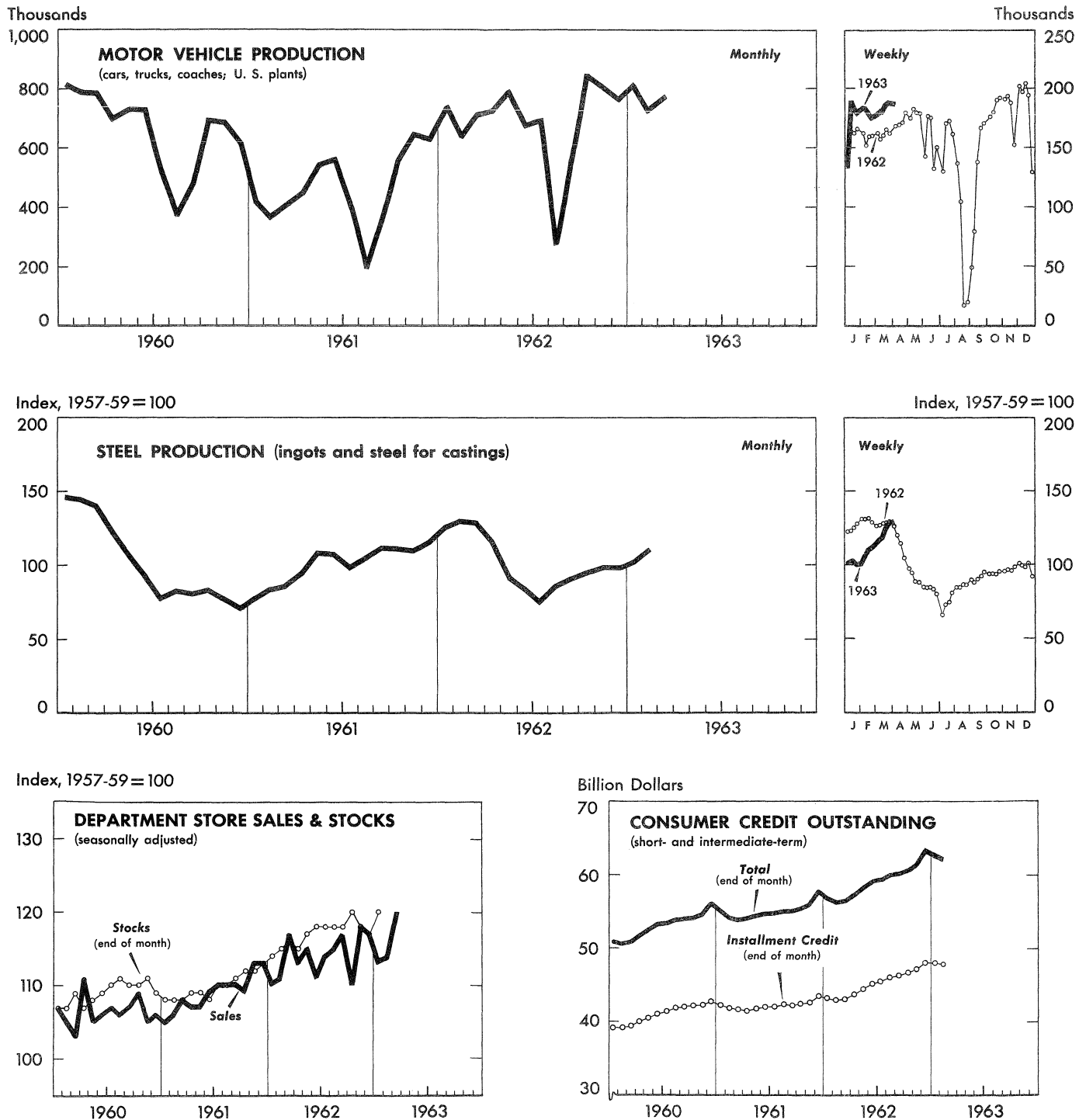
# BUSINESS STATISTICS



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WEEKLY BUSINESS STATISTICS<sup>1</sup>

ITEM	1967		1963			
	Mar. 31	Apr. 7	Mar. 16	Mar. 23	Mar. 30	Apr. 6
<b>COMMODITY PRICES, WHOLESALE:</b>						
All commodities.....1957-59=100..	*100.7	.....	100.0	99.9	99.9	100.0
Farm products.....do.....	*98.4	.....	95.4	95.6	95.2	96.0
Foods, processed.....do.....	*101.6	.....	99.1	99.1	99.9	99.1
All other.....do.....	*100.8	.....	100.7	100.6	100.6	100.6
22 commodities <sup>2/</sup> .....do.....	96.8	96.5	92.2	91.8	92.1	92.4
ALL RETAIL STORES, SALES.....mil. \$.	.....	4,471	4,382	4,456	4,835	.....
DEPARTMENT STORE SALES.....1957-59=100..	106	112	103	106	112	.....
INITIAL UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIMS, State programs.....thous.	244	308	268	263	260	.....
INSURED UNEMPLOYMENT, all programs.....do.....	2,509	2,397	2,519	2,408	.....	.....
State programs (50 States and Puerto Rico).....do.....	2,035	1,956	2,348	2,241	.....	.....
FAILURES, INDUSTRY AND COMMERCIAL (Dun & Bradstreet).....number..	330	356	348	295	329	.....
<b>FINANCE:</b>						
Currency in circulation <sup>3/</sup> .....mil. \$.	32,951	33,050	34,454	34,511	34,415	34,525
Federal Reserve bank credit outstanding, total <sup>3/</sup> .....do.....	30,121	30,361	32,402	32,441	32,555	32,396
Member bank reserve balances <sup>3/</sup> .....do.....	19,648	19,663	19,471	19,507	19,599	19,590
Excess reserves, estimated <sup>3/</sup> .....do.....	459	517	488	380	465	432
Reporting member banks (of F.R. System) in leading cities: <sup>4/</sup>						
Demand deposits, adjusted.....mil. \$.	62,229	62,012	63,232	61,936	62,312	.....
Savings deposits.....do.....	31,634	31,726	35,657	35,751	35,874	.....
Loans and investments (adjusted), total.....do.....	119,538	119,202	128,491	129,106	129,556	.....
U.S. Government obligations.....do.....	32,214	31,923	30,722	30,912	31,359	.....
Commercial and industrial loans (gross).....do.....	33,014	33,064	34,746	35,269	35,208	.....
Real estate loans (gross).....do.....	13,620	13,624	15,827	15,872	15,921	.....
Bond yields, domestic corporate (Moody's) <sup>3/</sup> .....percent..	4.65	4.65	4.47	4.47	4.46	4.47
Stock prices, 500 stocks (Stand. & Poor's) <sup>4/</sup> .....1941-43=100..	70.04	68.49	65.91	65.95	66.68	67.36
Industrials, 425 stocks.....do.....	73.83	72.14	68.97	69.92	69.83	70.60
<b>PRODUCTION:</b>						
Bituminous coal <sup>3/</sup> .....thous. sh. tons..	1,399	1,352	1,217	1,328	1,450	.....
Electric power, by utilities.....mil. kw.-hr.	15,552	15,569	16,949	16,860	16,425	.....
Motor vehicles (cars, trucks, coaches).....number..	162,542	168,717	180,564	186,775	189,043	187,230
Petroleum (crude) and condensate <sup>3/</sup> .....thous. bbl.	1,353	7,397	7,437	7,451	7,478	.....
Steel.....thous. sh. tons..	2,417	2,361	2,225	2,330	2,387	2,413
Index of production.....1957-59=100..	129.7	126.7	119.4	123.1	128.1	129.5
FREIGHT CARLOADINGS, TOTAL.....thous. cars..	565	548	517	535	559	.....
Miscellaneous.....do.....	316	314	296	299	316	.....

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

## MONTHLY BUSINESS STATISTICS

ITEM	1962			1963		
	Feb.	Mar.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.
<b>COMMODITY PRICES</b>						
PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS, ALL FARM PRODUCTS...1910-14=100..	243	244	242	244	242	240
Crops.....do.....	226	233	224	228	232	236
Commercial vegetables.....do.....	272	314	236	266	261	241
Cotton.....do.....	246	248	261	254	251	270
Feed grains and hay.....do.....	152	153	153	157	161	161
Food grains.....do.....	219	223	231	231	234	234
Fruit.....do.....	216	229	198	216	226	267
Oil-bearing crops.....do.....	253	252	247	251	256	236
Potatoes (including dry edible beans).....do.....	125	132	147	150	155	151
Tobacco.....do.....	542	543	505	485	502	501
Livestock and products.....do.....	257	254	258	257	251	242
Dairy products.....do.....	263	255	263	257	254	248
Meat animals.....do.....	305	307	308	308	294	281
Poultry and eggs.....do.....	154	147	151	152	157	155
Wool.....do.....	237	240	249	255	264	274
PRICES PAID BY FARMERS:						
All commodities and services.....do.....	279	279	282	284	284	283
Family living items.....do.....	294	294	296	297	296	297
Production items.....do.....	268	269	273	274	274	274
All commod., services, int., taxes, and wage rates.....do.....	305	306	309	311	311	310
PARITY RATIO.....do.....	80	80	78	78	78	77
<b>EMPLOYMENT</b>						
CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE, TOTAL, UNADJUSTED.....thous.	70,332	70,697	71,378	70,607	71,275	71,650
EMPLOYED.....do.....	65,789	66,316	67,561	65,935	66,358	67,148
Agricultural employment.....do.....	4,578	4,782	4,066	4,206	4,049	4,337
Nonagricultural employment.....do.....	61,211	61,533	63,495	61,730	62,309	62,812
UNEMPLOYED.....do.....	4,543	4,382	3,817	4,672	4,918	4,501
Percent of civilian labor force.....do.....	6.5	6.2	5.3	6.6	6.9	6.3
CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE, TOTAL, SEAS. ADJUSTED.....thous.	71,713	71,803	72,084	72,348	72,501	72,688
EMPLOYED.....do.....	67,629	67,860	68,091	68,171	68,086	68,636
Agricultural employment.....do.....	5,481	5,504	4,843	5,183	4,841	5,008
Nonagricultural employment.....do.....	62,148	62,356	63,248	62,988	63,245	63,628
UNEMPLOYED.....do.....	4,084	3,943	3,993	4,177	4,415	4,062
Percent of civilian labor force.....do.....	5.7	5.5	5.5	5.8	6.1	5.6

MONTHLY BUSINESS STATISTICS—Continued

ITEM	1962				1963	
	Jan.	Feb.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.
<b>FINANCE</b>						
<b>CONSUMER CREDIT (SHORT- AND INTERMEDIATE-TERM):</b>						
Total outstanding, end of month.....mil. \$..	56,711	56,093	61,473	63,458	62,740	62,219
Installment credit, total.....do....	43,265	43,074	47,274	48,243	48,130	48,025
Installment credit extended and repaid:						
Unadjusted:						
Extended, total.....do....	3,878	3,611	4,932	5,379	4,368	4,033
Repaid, total.....do....	4,140	3,802	4,380	4,410	4,481	4,138
Adjusted:						
Extended, total.....do....	4,327	4,356	4,961	4,829	4,878	4,885
Repaid, total.....do....	4,048	4,084	4,380	4,371	4,376	4,449
<b>FEDERAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE:</b>						
Net cash transactions (Federal) with the public: 1/						
Receipts from.....mil. \$..	5,968	9,567	9,289	9,548	6,285	10,352
Payments to.....do....	8,726	8,967	10,021	9,436	8,830	8,776
Excess of receipts, or payments (-).....do....	-2,758	600	-732	112	-2,544	1,576
Receipts, total.....do....	5,959	9,773	8,533	9,553	6,285	10,997
Receipts, net 2/.....do....	5,357	6,729	7,027	8,360	5,533	7,305
Customs.....do....	100	85	114	94	80	103
Individual income taxes.....do....	3,570	5,910	5,512	5,531	5,636	6,206
Corporation income taxes.....do....	466	400	412	3,450	517	422
Employment taxes.....do....	353	2,080	1,208	652	429	2,596
Other internal revenue and receipts.....do....	1,470	1,298	1,488	1,820	1,623	1,671
Expenditures, total 2/.....do....	7,395	6,858	8,070	7,572	8,013	6,763
Interest on public debt.....do....	803	755	808	840	858	809
Veterans' services and benefits.....do....	471	449	443	445	486	445
National defense.....do....	4,316	4,094	4,558	4,348	4,547	4,102
All other expenditures.....do....	1,890	1,575	2,268	2,138	2,215	1,432
<b>LIFE INSURANCE WRITTEN, NEW PAID-FOR (LIANA):</b>						
Value, estimated total.....do....	6,046	5,925	6,580	8,165	5,593	6,252
Ordinary.....do....	3,912	4,233	4,912	5,261	4,057	4,519
Group and wholesale.....do....	1,645	1,127	1,078	2,280	1,023	1,173
Industrial.....do....	489	565	590	624	513	560
<b>GOLD, MONETARY STOCK, U. S., end of month.....do....</b>	<b>16,815</b>	<b>16,790</b>	<b>15,977</b>	<b>15,978</b>	<b>15,928</b>	<b>#15,878</b>
<b>SILVER, price at New York.....dol. per fine oz..</b>	<b>1.043</b>	<b>1.025</b>	<b>*1.192</b>	<b>*1.199</b>	<b>*1.244</b>	<b>**1.256</b>
<b>CHEMICALS AND ALLIED PRODUCTS</b>						
<b>ORGANIC CHEMICALS, PRODUCTION:</b>						
Acetic anhydride.....mil. lb..	96.5	93.5	99.5	114.6	98.7	84.6
Acetylsalicylic acid (aspirin).....do....	2.0	2.3	2.7	2.4	2.0	2.2
Alcohol, ethyl:						
Production.....mil. proof gal..	53.7	47.8	52.6	58.7	61.0	.....
Stocks, end of month, total.....do....	145.8	148.7	144.7	156.8	165.1	.....
Used for denaturation.....do....	43.9	42.8	41.4	41.6	46.5	.....
Taxable withdrawals.....do....	4.3	4.5	6.4	4.6	5.0	.....
Alcohol, denatured:						
Production.....mil. wine gal..	23.7	23.0	22.8	22.9	25.0	.....
Consumption (withdrawals).....do....	23.6	23.4	21.9	22.7	25.3	.....
Stocks, end of month.....do....	5.4	5.0	3.0	3.2	3.1	.....
Cresote oil.....mil. gal..	6.1	8.1	7.5	8.1	7.6	6.7
EDT.....mil. lb..	10.3	13.2	14.7	13.5	14.9	15.6
Ethyl acetate (85%).....do....	9.6	3.9	10.7	6.3	6.9	11.3
Ethylene glycol.....do....	91.3	80.8	114.4	117.9	124.4	116.9
Formaldehyde (37% HCHO).....do....	155.8	151.2	179.0	169.8	167.8	160.8
Methanol, synthetic.....mil. gal..	26.4	25.5	27.8	29.2	27.0	26.6
Phthalic anhydride.....mil. lb..	28.7	25.6	35.8	38.4	35.2	32.6
<b>FERTILIZERS:</b>						
Potas: deliveries (K <sub>2</sub> O).....thous. sh. tons..	302	117	113	199	308	.....
Superphosphate and other phosphatic fertilizers (100% P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> ):						
Production.....thous. sh. tons..	238	220	253	230	261	.....
Stocks, end of month.....do....	527	509	479	505	505	.....
<b>SYNTHETIC PLASTICS AND RESIN MATERIALS, PRODUCTION:</b>						
Cellulose acetate (sheets, rods, and tubes and molding and extrusion materials) and nitrocellulose (sheets, rods, and tubes).....mil. lb..	12.8	12.3	12.7	12.0	11.3	.....
Phenolic and other tar acid resins.....do....	58.0	53.2	58.9	55.3	60.5	.....
Polystyrene.....do....	99.9	92.8	106.1	99.6	98.3	.....
Urea and melamine resins.....do....	39.2	38.9	39.6	38.3	41.5	.....
Vinyl resins.....do....	113.3	113.9	132.1	128.4	133.8	.....
Alkyd resins.....do....	37.0	35.4	38.4	35.4	41.4	.....
Polyester resins.....do....	15.9	15.5	15.7	14.5	18.8	.....
Polyethylene resins.....do....	150.6	156.9	170.3	170.8	153.1	.....
<b>ELECTRIC POWER</b>						
<b>PRODUCTION, TOTAL.....mil. kw.-hr..</b>	<b>80,913</b>	<b>72,047</b>	<b>78,109</b>	<b>82,702</b>	<b>86,509</b>	<b>77,123</b>
Electric utilities, total.....do....	73,123	64,777	70,656	75,312	78,835	69,990
By fuels.....do....	58,823	51,435	57,099	61,250	64,908	57,323
By waterpower.....do....	14,301	13,342	13,557	14,062	13,927	12,668
Industrial establishments, total.....do....	7,790	7,270	7,452	7,390	7,675	7,133
By fuels.....do....	7,479	6,982	7,163	7,093	7,362	6,842
By waterpower.....do....	311	288	290	297	313	290

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ITEM	1962				1963	
	Jan.	Feb.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.
LUMBER AND MANUFACTURES						
LUMBER (NATIONAL LUMBER MANUFACTURERS ASSOCIATION):						
Production, total.....mil. bd. ft..	2,109	2,459	2,839	2,473	2,603	2,560
Softwoods.....do.....	1,795	2,027	2,166	1,859	2,000	1,940
Shipments, total.....do.....	2,244	2,537	2,728	2,431	2,579	2,540
Softwoods.....do.....	1,825	2,007	2,108	1,829	1,985	1,885
Stocks (gross), mill, end of month, total.....do.....	6,642	6,520	6,509	6,596	6,590	6,590
Softwoods.....do.....	5,105	5,081	4,786	4,817	4,802	4,837
METALS AND MANUFACTURES						
STEEL PRODUCTS, NET SHIPMENTS:						
Total (all grades).....thous. sh. tons..	6,906	6,626	5,499	5,001	5,731	5,604
Structural shapes (heavy), steel piling.....do.....	402	392	375	330	354	366
Plates.....do.....	648	612	483	460	484	514
Bars and tool steel, total.....do.....	1,028	986	881	778	878	849
Pipe and tubing.....do.....	506	534	485	394	440	433
Tin mill products.....do.....	614	548	337	303	539	495
Sheets and strip (incl. electrical), total.....do.....	3,080	2,903	2,401	2,257	2,491	2,384
FABRICATED STRUCTURAL STEEL:						
Orders, new (net).....do.....	314	276	324	478	328	286
Shipments.....do.....	284	289	315	282	235	244
Backlog, end of month.....do.....	2,596	2,487	2,475	2,624	2,609	2,708
Barrels and drums, steel, heavy types (for sale):						
Orders, unfilled, end of month.....thous..	1,491	1,482	1,266	1,285	1,296	.....
Shipments.....do.....	1,887	1,774	1,816	1,537	1,714	.....
Aluminum shipments:						
Mill products and pig and ingot (net).....mil. lb..	r429.2	429.0	473.4	r436.9	488.1	.....
Mill products, total.....do.....	296.9	292.2	318.5	r282.5	331.3	.....
Plate and sheet (excl. foil).....do.....	133.9	134.3	139.6	r131.1	153.9	.....
STONE, CLAY, AND GLASS PRODUCTS						
Clay construction products:						
Shipments:						
Brick, unglazed (common and face).....mil. stand. brick..	319.0	358.4	618.0	499.4	476.3	.....
Structural tile, except facing.....thous. sh. tons..	28.4	27.8	39.4	31.4	25.4	.....
Sewer pipe and fittings, vitrified.....do.....	81.6	87.6	144.3	124.2	126.7	.....
Facing tile (hollow), glazed and unglazed mil. brick equivalent..	26.5	23.2	37.2	35.5	32.6	.....
Floor and wall tile and accessories, glazed and unglazed mil. sq. ft..	17.8	17.7	23.3	21.0	23.0	.....
Glass containers:						
Production.....thous. gross..	13,482	13,103	13,347	r12,738	14,418	.....
Shipments.....do.....	12,623	11,905	13,003	r12,308	13,128	.....
Stocks, end of month.....do.....	21,789	22,779	21,590	21,777	22,931	.....
TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT						
MOTOR VEHICLES:						
FACTORY SALES, TOTAL.....thous..	711.0	628.6	802.0	776.1	791.0	723.7
Domestic.....do.....	684.2	603.7	769.4	751.5	768.6	698.8
Passenger cars, total.....do.....	610.9	533.6	689.5	661.4	670.2	607.9
Domestic.....do.....	595.9	518.5	669.6	647.4	658.0	592.8
Trucks and buses, total.....do.....	100.1	95.0	112.5	114.7	120.8	115.8
Domestic.....do.....	88.3	85.2	99.8	104.1	110.6	106.0

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