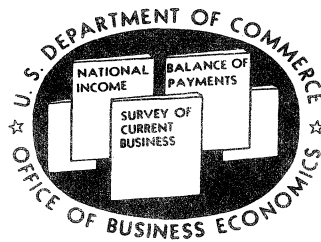


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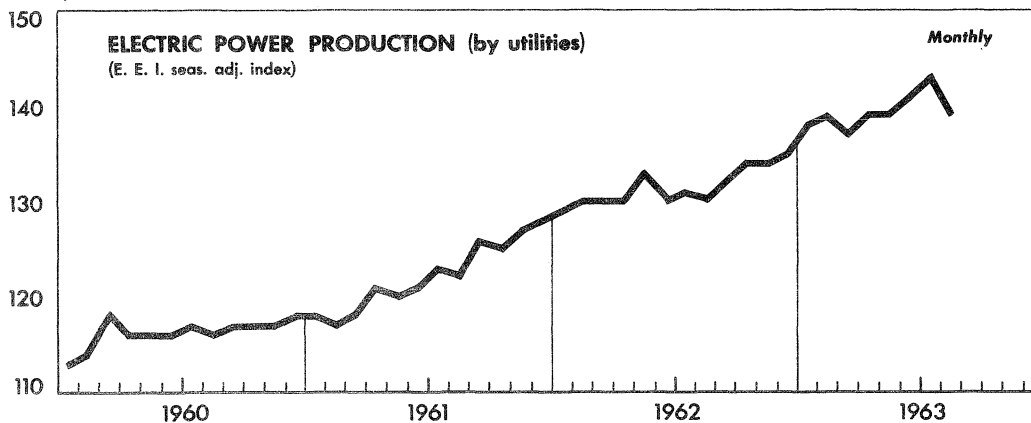
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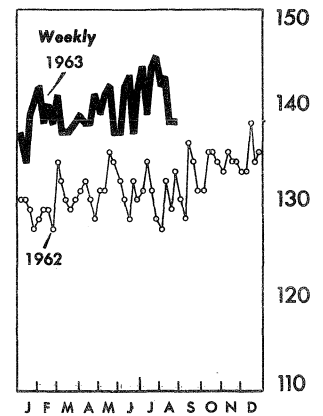
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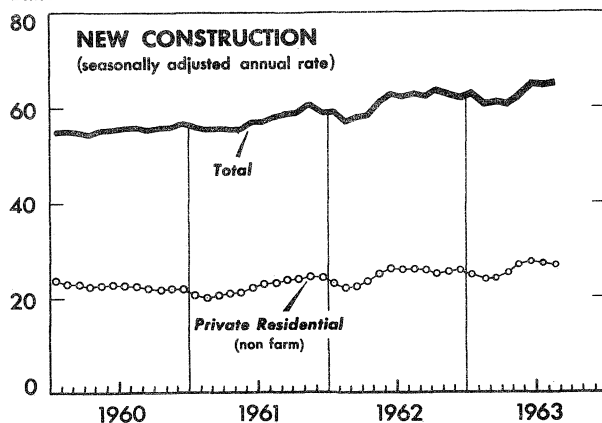
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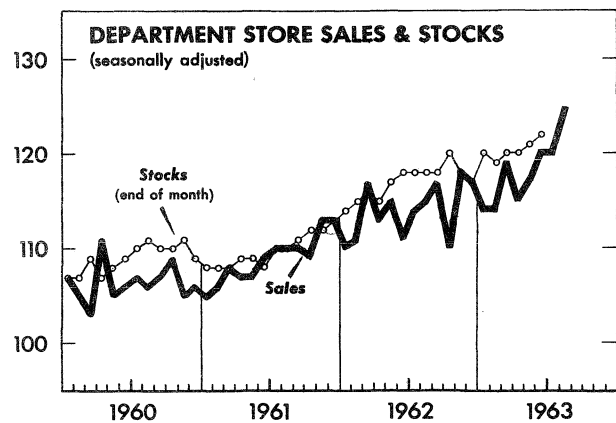
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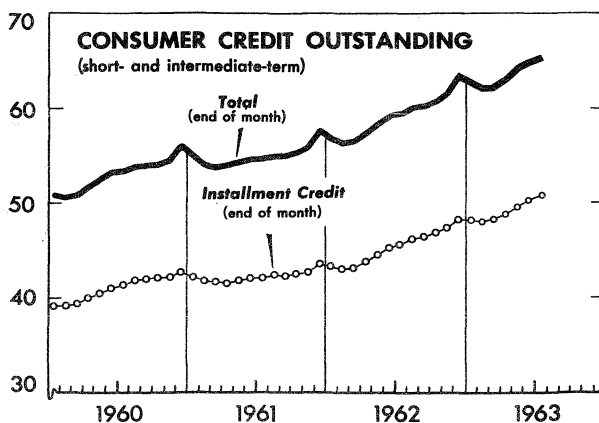
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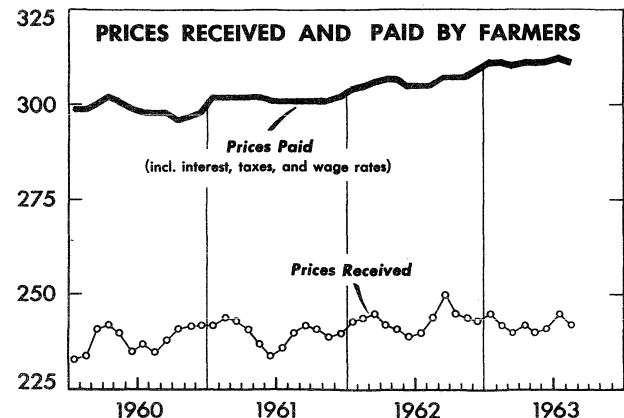
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WEEKLY BUSINESS STATISTICS¹

ITEM	1962		1963			
	Sept. 1	Sept. 8	Aug. 17	Aug. 24	Aug. 31	Sept. 7
COMMODITY PRICES, WHOLESALE:						
All commodities.....1957-59=100..	*100.5	.....	100.4	100.4	100.4	100.3
Farm products.....do....	*97.6	.....	96.6	96.1	96.0	95.5
Foods, processed.....do....	*101.5	.....	101.4	101.7	101.7	101.7
All other.....do....	*100.6	.....	100.8	100.7	100.7	100.7
22 commodities 2/.....do....	92.2	92.2	92.8	92.1	91.9	92.5
ALL RETAIL STORES, SALES.....mil. \$..	4,658	4,325	4,651	4,602	4,813	.....
DEPARTMENT STORE SALES.....1957-59=100..	116	105	113	117	126	.....
INITIAL UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIMS, State programs.....thous..	236	229	242	223	212	.....
INSURED UNEMPLOYMENT, all programs.....do....	1,569	1,564	1,598	1,554	.....	.....
State programs (50 States and Puerto Rico).....do....	1,401	1,389	1,449	1,406	.....	.....
FAILURES, INDUST. AND COMMERCIAL (Dun & Bradstreet).....number..	282	204	287	275	247	208
FINANCE:						
Currency in circulation 3/.....mil. \$..	33,870	33,977	35,879	35,850	35,728	35,879
Federal Reserve bank credit outstanding, total 3/.....do....	31,433	31,685	34,075	34,167	33,901	34,180
Member bank reserve balances 3/.....do....	19,914	19,839	19,704	19,657	19,552	19,667
Excess reserves, estimated 3/.....do....	535	421	478	404	404	447
Reporting member banks (of F.R.System) in leading cities:4/						
Demand deposits, adjusted.....mil. \$..	60,638	60,899	61,249	60,828	61,487	.....
Savings deposits.....do....	33,404	33,481	36,850	36,887	36,891	.....
Loans and investments (adjusted), total.....do....	122,068	122,592	131,255	131,440	131,111	.....
U.S. Government obligations.....do....	31,075	31,370	28,118	27,957	27,655	.....
Commercial and industrial loans (gross).....do....	33,442	33,392	35,198	35,264	35,210	.....
Real estate loans (gross).....do....	14,696	14,728	17,153	17,203	17,262	.....
Bond yields, domestic corporate (Moody's) 3/.....percent..	4.63	4.62	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.51
Stock prices, 500 stocks (Stand. & Poor's) 4/..1941-43=100..	58.66	58.12	71.07	71.29	72.04	72.64
Industrials, 425 stocks.....do....	61.38	60.76	74.56	74.72	75.58	76.26
PRODUCTION:						
Bituminous coal 3/.....thous. sh. tons..	1,459	1,478	1,564	1,592	1,613	.....
Electric power, by utilities.....mil. kw.-hr..	17,088	15,999	18,053	18,082	18,181	.....
Motor vehicles (cars, trucks, buses).....number..	49,799	80,229	29,725	42,563	63,111	91,045
Petroleum (crude) and condensate 3/.....thous. bbl..	7,266	7,321	7,661	7,667	7,635	.....
Steel.....thous. sh. tons..	1,672	1,641	1,742	1,761	1,765	1,775
Index of production.....1957-59=100..	89.8	88.1	93.5	94.5	94.7	95.3
FREIGHT CARLOADINGS, TOTAL.....thous. cars..	583	495	577	595	583	.....
Miscellaneous.....do....	301	256	290	303	296	.....

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

MONTHLY BUSINESS STATISTICS

ITEM	1962		1963			
	July	Aug.	May	June	July	Aug.
CONSTRUCTION AND REAL ESTATE						
NEW CONSTRUCTION PUT IN PLACE (UNADJ.), TOTAL.....mil. \$..	5,743	5,844	5,470	r6,035	r5,973	6,057
Private, total.....do....	4,078	4,082	3,972	r4,218	r4,183	4,177
Residential (nonfarm).....do....	2,388	2,353	2,457	2,631	r2,507	2,434
New housing units.....do....	1,759	1,794	1,632	r1,823	r1,902	1,903
Additions and alterations.....do....	516	445	725	r706	r500	419
Nonresidential buildings, total 1/.....do....	1,025	1,039	871	923	991	1,050
Industrial.....do....	239	241	225	226	238	251
Commercial.....do....	469	471	372	402	437	467
Stores, restaurants, and garages.....do....	252	246	161	183	208	225
Farm construction.....do....	147	152	130	140	147	150
Public utilities.....do....	491	511	489	r494	r505	510
Public, total.....do....	1,665	1,762	1,498	r1,817	r1,790	1,880
Nonresidential buildings.....do....	461	464	456	r517	r485	507
Military facilities.....do....	94	117	107	142	.....	.....
Highways.....do....	643	700	488	689	692	.....
Other types.....do....	467	481	447	469	490	.....
NEW CONSTRUCTION PUT IN PLACE (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED AT ANNUAL RATES), TOTAL.....mil. \$..	62,084	62,829	62,451	r64,928	r64,636	65,023
Private, total.....do....	44,908	45,244	45,170	r46,060	r46,132	46,273
Residential (nonfarm).....do....	25,987	25,957	26,689	r27,632	r27,284	26,785
Nonresidential buildings, total 1/.....do....	11,661	11,830	10,986	10,912	11,335	11,991
Industrial.....do....	2,962	2,936	2,837	2,833	2,948	3,056
Commercial.....do....	5,110	5,273	4,630	4,566	4,792	5,233
Stores, restaurants, and garages.....do....	2,588	2,688	1,979	1,909	2,129	2,456
Farm construction.....do....	1,533	1,533	1,576	1,595	1,551	1,530
Public utilities.....do....	5,444	5,626	5,625	r5,599	r5,616	5,606
Public, total.....do....	17,176	17,585	17,281	r18,868	r18,504	18,750
Nonresidential buildings.....do....	5,043	5,083	5,361	r5,738	r5,327	5,550
Military facilities.....do....	1,170	1,244	1,277	1,400	.....	.....
Highways.....do....	5,876	6,195	5,586	6,661	6,315	.....
CONSTRUCTION COST INDEX:						
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE COMPOSITE.....1947-49=100..	148	149	151	151	r152	152

ITEM	1962		1963			
	July	Aug.	May	June	July	Aug.
DOMESTIC TRADE						
RETAIL TRADE, ALL RETAIL STORES:						
ESTIMATED SALES (UNADJUSTED), TOTAL <u>1/</u>.....mil. \$..	19,138	19,920	21,228	r20,737	r20,584	21,129
Durable goods stores.....do....	6,330	6,321	7,239	r7,044	r7,008	6,621
Automotive group.....do....	3,567	3,421	4,301	r4,126	r4,037	3,589
Lumber, building, hardware group.....do....	1,070	1,096	1,068	1,050	1,100	1,077
Nondurable goods stores.....do....	12,808	13,599	13,989	r13,693	r13,576	14,508
Apparel group.....do....	971	1,096	1,163	r1,127	r1,012	1,141
Eating and drinking places.....do....	1,566	1,630	1,562	r1,592	r1,658	1,709
Food group.....do....	4,733	4,997	5,066	r4,957	r4,987	5,329
General merchandise group.....do....	1,926	2,241	2,278	r2,287	r2,138	2,449
ESTIMATED SALES (SEAS. ADJ.), TOTAL <u>1/</u> , <u>2/</u>.....do....	r19,658	r19,671	r20,200	r20,486	r20,759	20,767
Durable goods stores.....do....	r6,305	r6,219	r6,512	r6,630	r6,804	6,637
Automotive group.....do....	r3,632	r3,528	r3,740	r3,843	3,974	.....
Lumber, building, hardware group.....do....	r954	r939	r940	r962	958	.....
Nondurable goods stores.....do....	r13,353	r13,452	r13,688	r13,856	r13,955	14,130
Apparel group.....do....	r1,189	r1,200	r1,156	r1,179	1,216	.....
Eating and drinking places.....do....	r1,426	1,461	r1,504	r1,511	1,508	.....
Food group.....do....	r4,833	r4,848	r4,890	r4,923	5,015	.....
General merchandise group.....do....	r2,263	r2,279	r2,322	r2,434	2,450	.....
ESTIMATED INVENTORIES:						
Unadjusted, total.....bil. \$..	26.91	26.66	28.06	r27.74	27.73	.....
Adjusted, total.....do....	27.18	27.05	27.59	r27.79	28.00	.....
RETAIL FIRMS WITH 4 OR MORE STORES:						
Estimated sales (unadjusted), total.....mil. \$..	5,041	5,526	5,776	5,685	5,492	.....
RETAIL FIRMS WITH 11 OR MORE STORES:						
Estimated sales (unadjusted), total.....do....	4,269	4,670	4,850	4,767	4,601	.....
Apparel group.....do....	250	291	315	307	263	.....
Eating and drinking places.....do....	105	106	107	108	111	.....
General merchandise group.....do....	1,262	1,459	1,491	1,536	1,436	.....
Grocery stores.....do....	1,818	1,960	2,063	1,950	1,915	.....
Lumber yards, building materials dealers.....do....	72	76	72	73	75	.....
Tire, battery, accessory dealers.....do....	96	91	97	103	102	.....
Estimated sales (seasonally adjusted), total <u>2/</u>.....do....	r4,640	r4,646	r4,732	r4,846	4,914	.....
Apparel group.....do....	r312	r321	r309	r311	324	.....
Eating and drinking places.....do....	r100	r100	r104	104	105	.....
General merchandise group.....do....	r1,466	r1,464	r1,512	r1,616	1,628	.....
Grocery stores.....do....	r1,929	r1,924	1,955	r1,964	1,992	.....
Lumber yards, building materials dealers.....do....	r62	62	64	65	64	.....
Tire, battery, accessory dealers.....do....	89	86	r88	93	92	.....
DEPARTMENT STORE SALES, UNITED STATES TOTAL:						
Unadjusted index.....1957-59=100..	96	104	112	r114	p101	p113
Seasonally adjusted index.....do....	114	115	117	120	p120	p125
WHOLESALE TRADE:						
Sales, estimated (unadjusted), total.....bil. \$..	12.71	13.71	13.91	r13.06	14.01	.....
Durable goods establishments.....do....	4.47	4.78	4.91	r4.76	4.87	.....
Nondurable goods establishments.....do....	8.24	8.93	9.00	r8.30	9.14	.....
Inventories, estimated (unadjusted), total.....do....	13.70	13.76	14.04	r14.15	14.19	.....
Durable goods establishments.....do....	7.06	7.01	7.23	7.29	7.19	.....
Nondurable goods establishments.....do....	6.64	6.75	6.81	r6.86	7.00	.....
EMPLOYMENT						
CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE, TOTAL, UNADJUSTED.....thous..	73,582	73,695	73,127	75,165	75,173	74,418
EMPLOYED.....do....	69,564	69,762	69,061	70,319	70,851	70,561
Agricultural employment.....do....	6,064	5,770	5,178	5,954	5,969	5,496
Nonagricultural employment.....do....	63,500	63,993	63,883	64,365	64,882	65,065
UNEMPLOYED.....do....	4,018	3,932	4,066	4,846	4,322	3,857
Percent of civilian labor force.....do....	5.5	5.3	5.6	6.4	5.7	5.2
CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE, TOTAL, SEAS. ADJUSTED.....thous..	71,730	72,197	72,989	72,720	73,269	72,915
EMPLOYED.....do....	67,833	68,104	68,676	68,602	69,161	68,917
Agricultural employment.....do....	5,118	5,087	5,033	4,909	5,024	4,838
Nonagricultural employment.....do....	62,715	63,017	63,643	63,693	64,137	64,079
UNEMPLOYED.....do....	3,897	4,093	4,313	4,118	4,108	3,998
Percent of civilian labor force.....do....	5.4	5.7	5.9	5.7	5.6	5.5
FINANCE						
CONSUMER CREDIT (SHORT- AND INTERMEDIATE-TERM):						
Total outstanding, end of month.....mil. \$..	59,364	60,003	64,165	64,892	65,364	.....
Installment credit, total.....do....	45,650	46,204	49,494	50,220	50,792	.....
Installment credit extended and repaid:						
Unadjusted:						
Extended, total.....do....	4,720	4,862	5,263	5,134	5,348	.....
Repaid, total.....do....	4,278	4,308	4,605	4,408	4,776	.....
Seasonally adjusted:						
Extended, total.....do....	4,669	4,619	4,950	5,011	5,106	.....
Repaid, total.....do....	4,283	4,261	4,516	4,578	4,605	.....
SECURITY MARKETS:						
Bonds, sales, excl. U.S. Gov't bonds (SEC):						
All registered exchanges:						
Market value.....do....	151.86	117.84	151.22	126.55	116.30	.....
Face value.....do....	156.85	125.30	151.22	127.69	113.84	.....
New York Stock Exchange:						
Market value.....do....	148.25	112.35	142.52	119.48	110.37	.....
Face value.....do....	152.98	119.58	142.91	122.36	109.00	.....

ITEM	1962		1963			
	June	July	Apr.	May	June	July
METALS AND MANUFACTURES						
IRON ORE (INCL. FOREIGN ORE):						
Receipts at iron and steel plants.....thous. lg. tons..	13,553	13,449	4,026	12,050	13,177	13,070
Consumption at iron and steel plants.....do....	6,747	5,962	9,691	10,701	10,018	8,758
Stocks, end of mo.:						
At furnace yards.....do....	49,447	56,934	41,054	42,378	45,033	49,358
At U.S. docks.....do....	5,183	5,569	5,290	4,947	4,934	4,981
PIG IRON:						
Production (excluding blast furnace production of ferro-alloys).....thous. sh. tons..	4,582	4,211	6,763	7,436	6,940	5,989
CASTINGS, TOTAL SHIPMENTS:						
Gray iron.....do....	990	800	1,154	1,218	1,146	.....
Malleable iron.....do....	74	57	82	85	78	.....
Steel.....do....	127	97	130	145	131	.....
STEEL PRODUCTS, NET SHIPMENTS:						
Total (all grades).....do....	5,360	4,505	7,308	8,061	7,375	6,460
Structural shapes (heavy), steel piling.....do....	402	351	498	548	479	451
Plates.....do....	453	381	632	715	652	636
Bars and tool steel, total.....do....	830	701	1,119	1,245	1,136	966
Pipe and tubing.....do....	676	600	706	768	724	699
Tin mill products.....do....	587	506	567	606	560	533
Sheets and strip (incl. electrical), total.....do....	1,862	1,509	3,038	3,373	3,094	2,599
STEEL MILL PRODUCTS, INVENTORIES, END OF MO.:						
Consumers (manufacturers only).....mil. sh. tons..	11.4	10.9	9.6	10.4	r11.2	p11.8
Receipts during month.....do....	3.9	3.5	5.3	5.9	5.6	p4.9
Consumption during month.....do....	4.6	4.0	4.9	5.1	r4.8	p4.3
Warehouses (merchant wholesalers).....do....	3.5	3.5	3.3	3.3	3.4	p3.4
Producing mills:						
In process (ingots, semifinished, etc.).....do....	6.7	6.8	7.6	7.5	7.5	p7.3
Finished (sheets, plates, bars, pipe, etc.).....do....	6.8	6.6	7.2	7.4	7.3	p7.1
FABRICATED STRUCTURAL STEEL:						
Orders, new (net).....thous. sh. tons..	292	239	389	409	345	302
Shipments.....do....	349	308	355	390	360	370
Backlog, end of month.....do....	2,406	2,357	2,613	2,668	2,396	2,458
Foundry equipment (new), new orders, net						
mo. avg. shipments, 1957-59=100..	131.5	233.9	107.3	148.7	135.1	127.6
Furnaces, industrial, new orders, net:						
Electric processing.....mil. \$..	1.7	1.2	1.9	1.0	1.5	1.0
Fuel-fired (except for hot rolling steel).....do....	2.1	3.9	3.1	4.7	1.4	1.6
Material handling equipment (industrial):						
New orders index.....1957-59=100..	129.4	110.2	145.9	150.4	119.3	.....
MACHINE TOOLS:						
Metal cutting tools:						
Orders, new (net), total.....mil. \$..	50.00	46.60	62.20	66.50	r57.10	59.00
Domestic.....do....	40.25	37.45	48.50	46.30	r44.40	48.80
Shipments, total.....do....	60.00	39.45	46.55	53.65	r53.55	45.10
Domestic.....do....	41.90	28.95	39.35	45.85	r46.50	39.10
Estimated backlog.....months..	3.9	4.0	5.2	5.2	5.2	5.4
Metal forming tools:						
Orders, new (net).....mil. \$..	13.40	14.00	16.05	13.40	r14.80	15.70
Domestic.....do....	10.40	9.40	11.55	10.85	r13.15	14.30
Shipments.....do....	13.70	12.50	14.35	18.60	r18.85	14.20
Domestic.....do....	10.40	10.65	11.60	15.85	r17.45	12.80
Estimated backlog.....months..	5.0	5.0	4.7	4.2	3.9	3.8

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