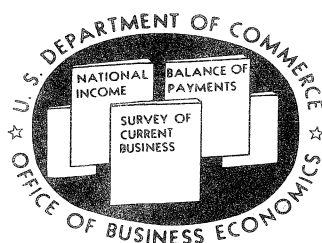


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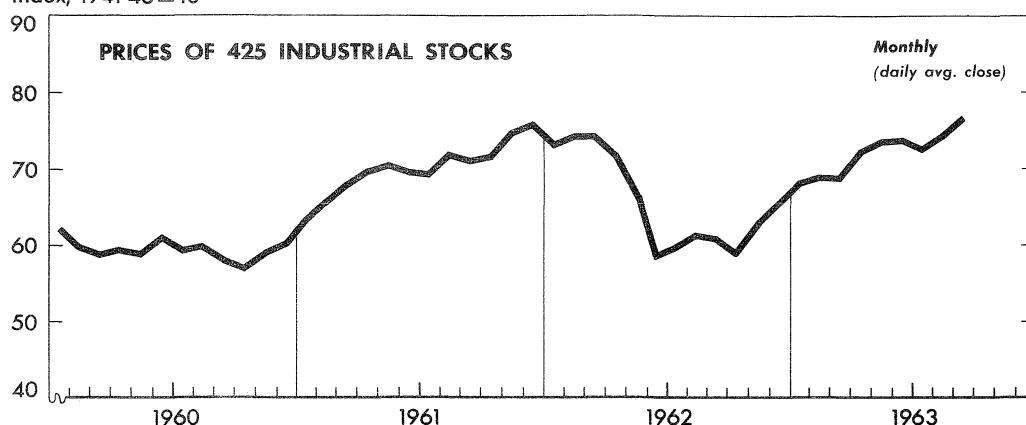
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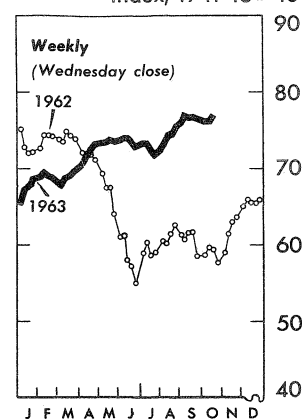
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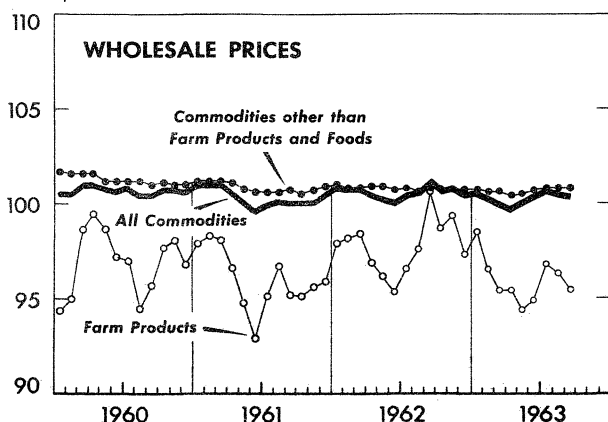
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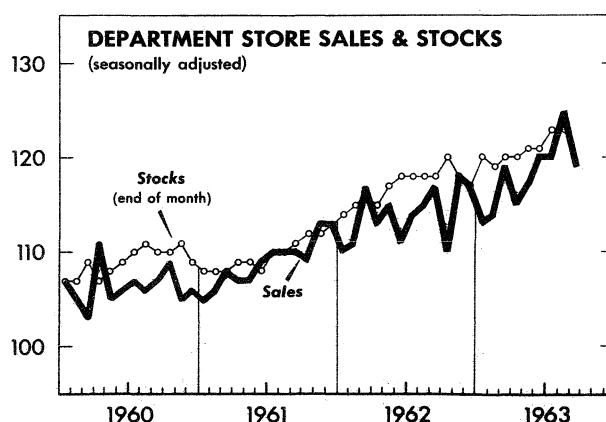
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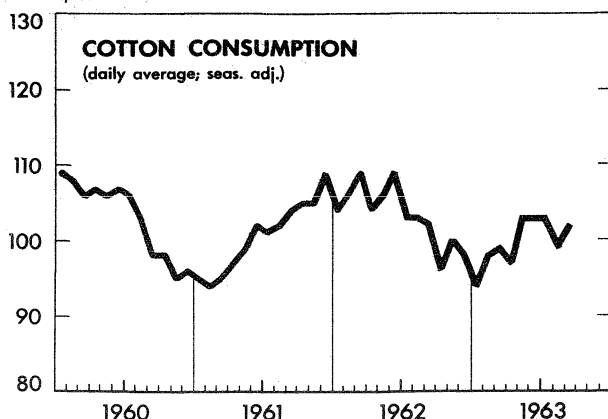
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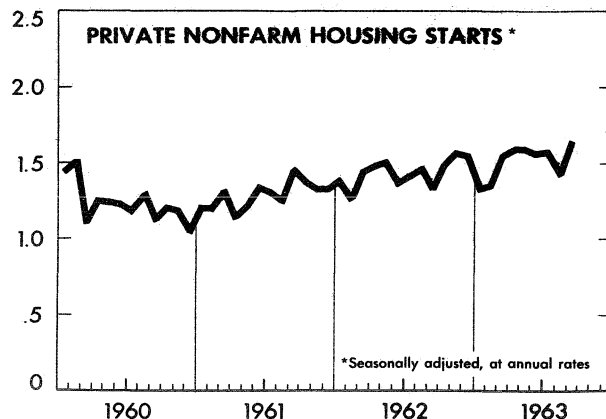
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WEEKLY BUSINESS STATISTICS¹

ITEM	1962		1963			
	Oct. 13	Oct. 20	Sept. 28	Oct. 5	Oct. 12	Oct. 19
COMMODITY PRICES, WHOLESALE:						
All commodities.....1957-59=100..	.....	*100.6	.....	.....	100.4	100.3
Farm products.....do.....	.....	*98.7	.....	.....	96.2	95.1
Foods, processed.....do.....	.....	*101.5	.....	.....	101.6	101.5
All other.....do.....	.....	*100.7	.....	.....	100.8	100.7
22 commodities 2/.....do.....	92.3	92.7	93.8	94.9	96.0	95.7
ALL RETAIL STORES, SALES.....mil. \$..	4,512	4,560	4,656	4,844	4,780	.....
DEPARTMENT STORE SALES.....1957-59=100..	112	117	119	122	119	.....
INITIAL UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIMS, State programs.....thous..	266	272	219	246	250	.....
INSURED UNEMPLOYMENT, all programs.....do.....	1,534	1,542	1,381	1,388	.....	.....
State programs (50 States and Puerto Rico).....do.....	1,378	1,393	1,234	1,243	.....	.....
FAILURES, INDUST. AND COMMERCIAL (DUN & Bradstreet).....number..	298	332	254	287	257	303
FINANCE:						
Currency in circulation 3/.....mil. \$..	34,102	34,256	35,850	35,855	36,061	36,235
Federal Reserve bank credit outstanding, total 3/.....do.....	32,416	32,229	34,434	34,467	35,030	34,737
Member bank reserve balances 3/.....do.....	20,333	20,306	20,200	20,177	20,194	19,970
Excess reserves, estimated 3/.....do.....	479	485	462	349	438	396
Reporting member banks (of F.R.System) in leading cities: 4/						
Demand deposits, adjusted.....mil. \$..	61,377	61,511	61,609	61,885	61,752	.....
Savings deposits.....do.....	34,058	34,126	37,147	37,342	37,425	.....
Loans and investments (adjusted), total.....do.....	124,344	125,093	134,264	134,986	133,423	.....
U.S. Government obligations.....do.....	31,513	31,846	28,066	28,367	28,086	.....
Commercial and industrial loans (gross).....do.....	34,085	34,221	35,944	36,145	36,121	.....
Real estate loans (gross).....do.....	15,008	15,084	17,409	17,455	17,485	.....
Bond yields, domestic corporate (Moody's) 3/.....percent..	4.57	4.57	4.52	4.52	4.53	4.52
Stock prices, 500 stocks (Stand. & Poor's) 4/.....1941-43=100..	57.24	56.89	72.89	72.30	72.18	72.97
Industrials, 425 stocks.....do.....	59.74	59.39	76.68	76.15	76.07	77.00
PRODUCTION:						
Bituminous coal 3/.....thous. sh. tons..	1,488	1,470	1,646	1,617	1,619	.....
Electric power, by utilities.....mil. kw.-hr..	16,317	16,178	17,285	17,106	17,255	.....
Motor vehicles (cars, trucks, buses).....number..	180,206	190,377	183,205	194,458	202,968	212,607
Petroleum (crude) and condensate 3/.....thous. bbl..	7,327	7,346	7,578	7,596	7,584	.....
Steel.....thous. sh. tons..	1,746	1,739	1,879	1,883	1,915	1,908
Index of production.....1957-59=100..	93.7	93.3	100.9	101.1	102.8	102.4
FREIGHT CARLOADINGS, TOTAL.....thous. cars..	607	613	620	632	636	.....
Miscellaneous.....do.....	326	326	321	332	337	.....

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

MONTHLY BUSINESS STATISTICS

ITEM	1962		1963			
	Aug.	Sept.	June	July	Aug.	Sept.
GENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORS						
MANUFACTURERS' SALES: 1/						
Value (unadjusted):						
Durable goods industries, total.....bil. \$..	15.96	15.95	17.77	r 16.54	16.46	17.2
Value (seasonally adjusted):						
Durable goods industries, total.....do.....	16.35	16.34	17.22	r 17.64	17.25	17.2
MANUFACTURERS' ORDERS: 1/						
New orders, net (unadjusted):						
Durable goods industries, total.....do.....	15.48	15.40	17.46	r 16.87	16.30	17.6
New orders, net (seasonally adjusted):						
Durable goods industries, total.....do.....	15.91	15.89	17.08	r 17.23	16.85	17.5
Unfilled orders, end of month (unadjusted):						
Durable goods industries, total.....do.....	44.50	43.95	45.91	r 46.25	46.09	46.5
Unfilled orders, end of month (seas. adj.):						
Durable goods industries, total.....do.....	44.28	43.73	46.52	r 46.06	45.86	46.3
INDUSTRIAL AND COMMERCIAL FAILURES (Dun & Bradstreet, Inc.):						
Failures, total.....number..	1,319	1,118	1,211	1,155	1,135	1,051
Commercial service.....do.....	120	92	120	101	108	113
Construction.....do.....	217	194	158	180	210	189
Manufacturing and mining.....do.....	227	185	206	173	187	167
Retail trade.....do.....	622	514	591	590	522	467
Wholesale trade.....do.....	133	133	136	111	108	115
Liabilities (current), total.....thous. \$..	146,832	96,165	86,151	120,509	65,233	85,918
Commercial service.....do.....	6,977	5,605	9,559	7,614	5,304	6,579
Construction.....do.....	33,618	12,803	11,925	31,350	12,394	21,522
Manufacturing and mining.....do.....	36,170	39,988	30,552	45,955	18,748	28,149
Retail trade.....do.....	53,180	27,944	20,697	26,463	19,341	15,644
Wholesale trade.....do.....	16,887	9,825	13,418	9,127	9,446	14,024
Failure annual rate (seas. adj.)...No. per 10,000 concerns..	62.5	62.2	57.8	57.1	54.5	59.4

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ITEM	1962		1963			
	Aug.	Sept.	June	July	Aug.	Sept.
COMMODITY PRICES						
WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX:						
ALL COMMODITIES.....1957-59=100..	100.5	101.2	100.3	100.6	100.4	100.3
By stage of processing:						
Crude materials for further processing.....do....	97.2	99.2	94.8	96.1	95.7	94.7
Intermediate materials, supplies, and components..do....	100.1	100.2	100.6	100.6	100.5	100.5
Finished goods.....do....	101.7	102.6	101.5	101.8	101.4	101.5
By durability of product:						
Nondurable goods.....do....	100.0	101.2	99.8	100.1	99.6	99.5
Durable goods.....do....	101.0	100.9	100.9	101.1	r 101.2	101.1
Farm products.....do....	97.6	100.6	94.9	96.8	96.3	95.4
Fruits and vegetables, fresh and dried.....do....	90.9	94.9	97.1	97.0	r 92.5	88.0
Grains.....do....	98.1	98.6	101.4	99.5	98.5	102.9
Livestock and live poultry.....do....	98.5	104.4	89.3	94.4	93.5	88.6
Foods, processed.....do....	101.5	103.3	102.4	102.2	100.9	100.9
Cereal and bakery products.....do....	107.8	107.6	107.0	106.4	106.0	107.0
Dairy products and ice cream.....do....	106.1	106.0	106.6	107.3	107.9	108.0
Fruits and vegetables, canned and frozen.....do....	97.1	96.6	104.6	105.7	r 104.8	105.4
Meats, poultry, and fish.....do....	101.0	106.8	94.1	96.3	95.2	94.2
Commodities other than farm prod. and foods.....do....	100.6	100.8	100.7	100.8	100.8	100.8
Chemicals and allied products.....do....	97.0	96.9	96.3	96.0	96.0	96.0
Fuel and related products, and power.....do....	99.5	100.8	100.9	100.4	r 98.9	99.0
Furniture, other household durables.....do....	98.7	98.6	98.1	98.0	98.1	98.1
Hides, skins, and leather products.....do....	107.0	107.5	104.5	104.3	103.6	103.1
Lumber and wood products.....do....	97.4	97.0	98.3	101.6	102.6	100.0
Machinery and motive products.....do....	102.3	102.3	102.0	102.1	102.1	102.2
Metals and metal products.....do....	99.8	99.7	100.0	100.0	100.1	100.2
Nonmetallic mineral products.....do....	101.6	101.5	101.2	100.9	r 101.0	101.1
Pulp, paper, and allied products.....do....	99.7	99.5	99.4	99.0	99.1	99.4
Rubber and products.....do....	92.7	92.8	93.1	93.0	r 93.7	93.4
Textile products and apparel.....do....	100.8	100.6	100.3	100.4	100.4	100.5
Tobacco products and bottled beverages.....do....	104.2	104.2	105.8	107.5	107.5	107.4
PURCHASING POWER OF THE DOLLAR AS MEASURED BY--						
Wholesale prices.....do....	99.5	98.8	99.7	99.4	99.6	*99.7
CONSTRUCTION AND REAL ESTATE						
NEW HOUSING UNITS STARTED:						
Unadjusted:						
Total, incl. farm (public and private).....thous..	149.5	117.0	157.3	r 153.4	r 146.4	143.6
Privately owned.....do....	147.7	114.3	153.4	r 151.3	r 142.8	141.7
Total nonfarm (public and private).....do....	146.4	114.4	155.5	r 150.9	r 144.0	140.6
Privately owned.....do....	144.6	111.7	151.6	r 148.8	r 140.4	138.7
Seasonally adjusted at annual rates:						
Total, incl. farm (private only).....do....	1,486	1,356	1,571	r 1,599	r 1,440	1,687
Total nonfarm (private only).....do....	1,459	1,328	1,554	r 1,575	r 1,419	1,654
FINANCE						
BANK DEBITS:						
Unadjusted:						
Total (344 centers).....bil. \$..	281.0	263.3	299.6	320.7	300.5	310.8
New York City.....do....	110.8	109.7	125.0	129.9	119.5	130.3
6 other leading centers.....do....	57.5	53.4	61.7	66.8	61.9	63.1
Seasonally adjusted:						
Total (344 centers).....do....	283.9	286.6	297.0	320.0	310.6	330.1
New York City.....do....	115.8	120.9	121.5	130.3	127.8	140.1
6 other leading centers.....do....	57.4	58.1	61.6	66.9	63.3	67.0
337 other centers.....do....	110.7	107.6	113.9	122.8	119.5	123.0
FEDERAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE:						
Public debt and guaranteed obligations:						
Gross debt (direct), end of month, total.....do....	301.84	299.50	305.86	304.84	306.54	306.64
Interest bearing, total.....do....	297.90	295.57	301.95	300.94	302.52	302.66
Public issues.....do....	252.48	251.01	257.15	257.21	257.01	258.01
Held by U.S. Government investment accts.....do....	11.47	11.71	13.40	13.20	13.21	.....
Special issues.....do....	45.43	44.56	44.80	43.72	45.52	44.65
Noninterest bearing.....do....	3.94	3.93	3.91	3.90	4.01	3.97
Obligations guaranteed by U.S. Govt., end of mo.....do....	.47	.49	.61	.65	.67	.69
TURNOVER OF DEMAND DEPOSITS EXCEPT INTERBANK AND U.S. GOVERNMENT, ANNUAL RATE, SEASONALLY ADJUSTED:						
Total (344 centers).....ratio of debits to deposits..	41.9	41.7	42.5	45.8	r 45.0	46.8
New York City.....do....	78.8	82.2	79.3	85.1	80.9	96.9
6 other centers.....do....	41.1	41.8	42.8	46.8	44.2	46.7
337 other reporting centers.....do....	28.3	27.3	28.1	30.3	29.6	30.0
SECURITY MARKETS:						
STOCKS, CASH DIVIDEND PAYMENTS PUBLICLY REPORTED:						
TOTAL DIVIDEND PAYMENTS.....mil. \$..	395.4	2,137.9	2,321.1	1,081.5	454.3	2,230.6
Finance.....do....	93.2	229.4	197.1	220.7	96.0	233.1
Manufacturing.....do....	135.5	1,352.3	1,546.4	355.5	170.1	1,406.0
Mining.....do....	3.0	105.5	112.2	15.5	2.8	110.0
Public utilities:						
Communications.....do....	2.9	112.8	102.8	258.4	3.0	120.1
Electric and gas.....do....	118.6	201.3	212.2	133.9	131.9	215.1
Railroad.....do....	8.7	50.7	59.2	16.7	8.7	56.4
Trade.....do....	23.5	58.4	61.3	64.2	32.2	62.1
Miscellaneous.....do....	10.0	27.5	29.9	16.6	9.6	27.6

ITEM	1962		1963			
	Aug.	Sept.	June	July	Aug.	Sept.
TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATIONS						
AIRLINES (SCHEDULED DOMESTIC TRUNK):						
Miles flown (revenue).....thous..	58,283	58,182	64,797	68,490	67,333	.....
Express and freight ton-miles flown.....do....	47,561	48,228	47,341	46,184	51,894	.....
Mail ton-miles flown.....do....	12,980	12,512	13,170	13,035	13,615	.....
Passengers originated (revenue).....do....	4,164	3,968	4,974	4,994	5,151	.....
Passenger-miles flown (revenue).....millions..	2,929	2,703	3,431	3,301	3,588	.....
HOTELS:						
Average sale per occupied room.....dollars..	9.60	9.66	9.64	8.75	9.60	9.56
Rooms occupied.....% of total..	60	64	62	54	59	63
Restaurant sales index.....same mo. 1951=100..	106	111	110	107	104	107
METALS AND MANUFACTURES						
CASTINGS, TOTAL SHIPMENTS:						
Gray iron.....thous. sh. tons..	882	922	1,146	1,003	.....	.....
Malleable iron.....do....	66	68	78	68	.....	.....
Steel.....do....	113	101	131	105	.....	.....
Furnaces, industrial, new orders, net:						
Electric processing.....mil. \$..	1.2	1.0	1.5	1.0	1.0	.7
Fuel-fired (except for hot rolling steel).....do....	1.6	1.6	1.4	1.6	5.7	2.7
Material handling equipment (industrial):						
Orders (new), index.....1957-59=100..	104.7	109.8	119.3	139.0	136.6	.....
TEXTILE PRODUCTS						
COTTON: 1/						
Consumption.....thous. bales..	693	661	660	690	667	663
Manufactures:						
Spindle activity (cotton system spindles):						
Active spindles, last working day, total.....thous..	18,798	18,689	18,609	18,638	18,681	18,696
Consuming 100 percent cotton.....do....	16,731	16,543	15,767	15,692	15,757	15,758
Spindle hours operated, all fibers, total.....millions..	9,432	9,131	9,280	9,819	9,344	9,345
Average per working day.....do....	472	457	464	393	467	467
Consuming 100 percent cotton.....do....	8,382	8,034	7,833	8,162	7,870	7,903
MANMADE FIBERS (RAYON AND ACETATE):						
Production:						
Filament yarn.....mil. lb..	63.2	59.0	55.8	57.7	59.3	58.0
Staple, incl. tow (rayon).....do....	41.4	38.0	45.6	48.9	48.5	48.8
Stocks, producers', end of month:						
Filament yarn.....do....	54.0	57.1	56.5	58.5	58.5	55.6
Staple, incl. tow (rayon).....do....	54.4	52.9	29.4	32.1	32.1	34.1
TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT						
MOTOR VEHICLES:						
FACTORY SALES, TOTAL.....thous..						
Domestic.....do....	299.2	519.9	804.1	790.0	251.4	.....
Passenger cars, total.....do....	282.0	501.9	778.1	763.7	240.3	.....
Domestic.....do....	218.6	442.5	687.5	660.9	167.8	.....
Trucks and buses, total.....do....	213.2	432.5	672.9	649.4	165.1	.....
Domestic.....do....	80.6	77.4	116.6	129.1	83.6	.....
Foreign cars.....do....	68.8	69.4	105.2	114.2	75.2	.....
REGISTRATIONS: 2/						
New passenger cars.....do....	540.2	373.9	691.6	706.0	552.9	.....
Foreign cars.....do....	27.6	25.6	35.9	34.5	31.5
New commercial cars (trucks).....do....	94.9	74.8	102.8	111.3	105.0

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