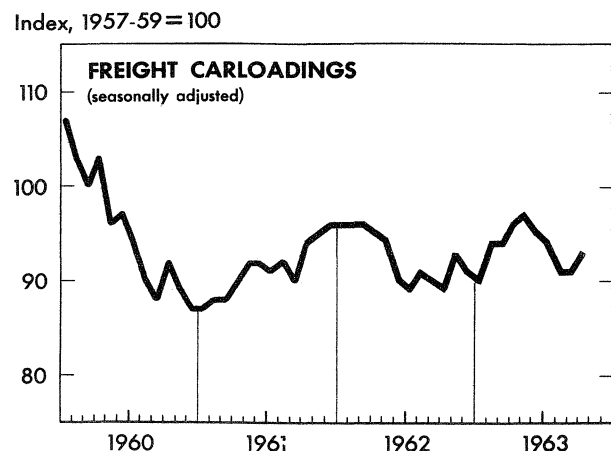
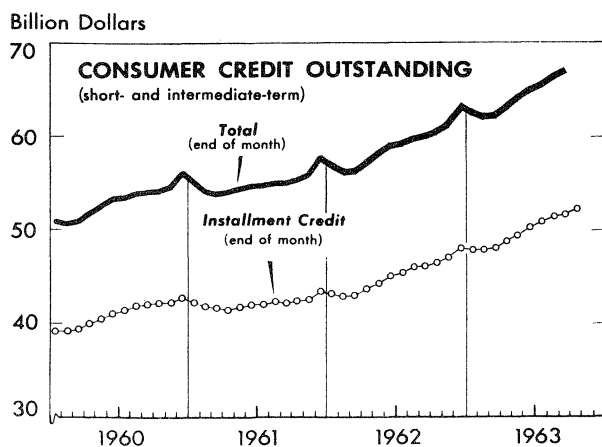
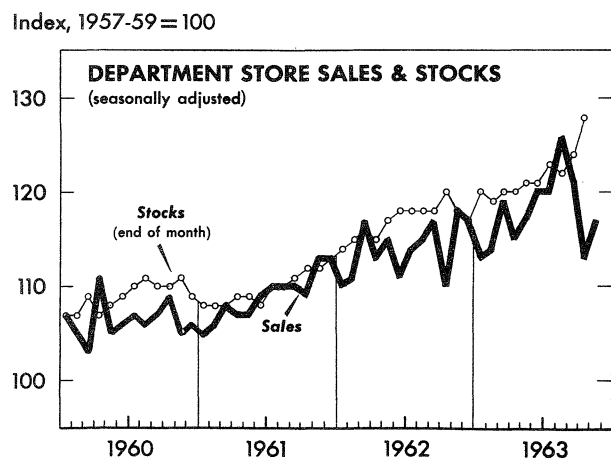
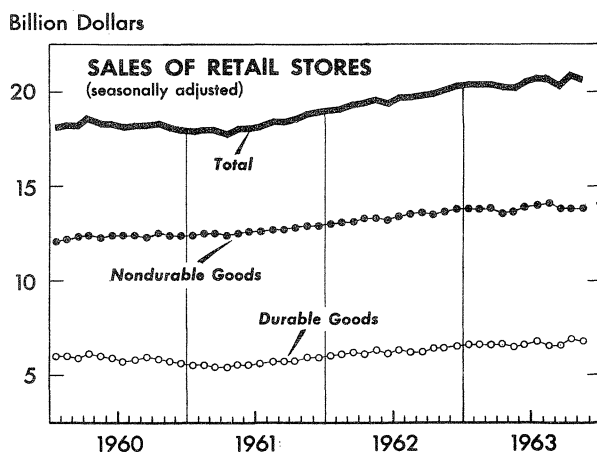
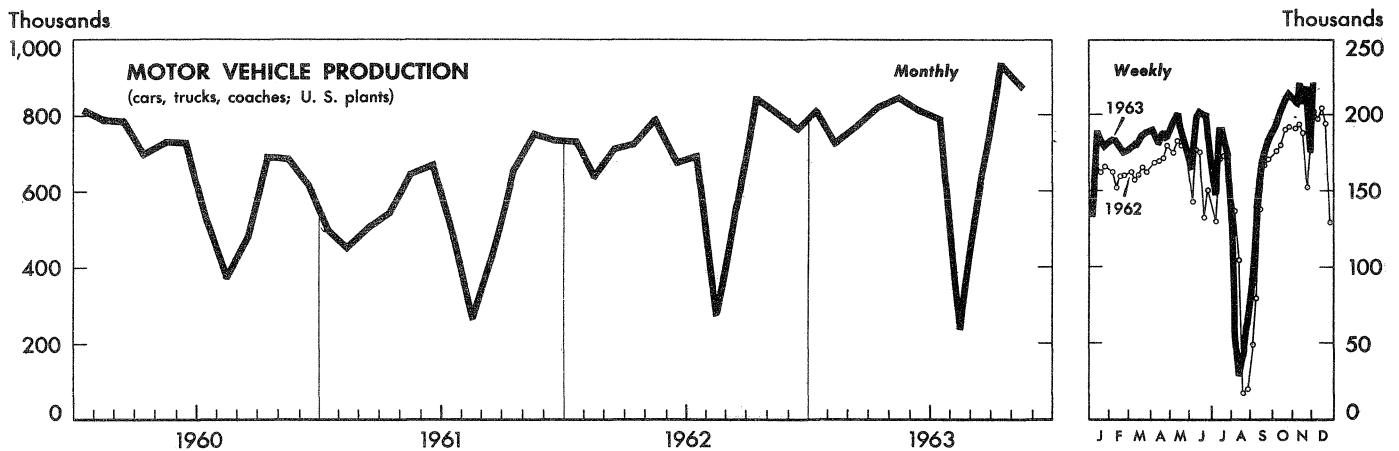


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WEEKLY BUSINESS STATISTICS¹

ITEM	1962		1963			
	Dec. 1	Dec. 8	Nov. 16	Nov. 23	Nov. 30	Dec. 7
COMMODITY PRICES, WHOLESALE:						
All commodities.....1957-59=100..	*100.7	.....	100.6	100.3	100.2	100.1
Farm products.....do....	*99.3	.....	96.1	94.6	94.2	92.9
Foods, processed.....do....	*101.3	.....	102.2	101.7	101.1	101.0
All other.....do....	*100.7	.....	100.8	100.8	100.8	100.9
22 commodities <u>2</u> /.....do....	92.9	93.1	96.6	95.5	94.9	95.1
ALL RETAIL STORES, SALES.....mil. \$..	5,194	5,339	4,988	4,881	4,775	.....
DEPARTMENT STORE SALES.....1957-59=100..	168	213	143	139	126	.....
INITIAL UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIMS, State programs.....thous..	343	368	282	318	256	.....
INSURED UNEMPLOYMENT, all programs.....do....	1,906	1,984	1,671	1,653	.....	.....
State programs (50 States and Puerto Rico).....do....	1,748	1,825	1,526	1,514	.....	.....
FAILURES, INDUST. AND COMMERCIAL (Dun & Bradstreet).....number..	322	294	270	309	190	265
FINANCE:						
Currency in circulation <u>3</u> /.....mil. \$..	34,803	34,860	36,625	36,722	36,872	37,273
Federal Reserve bank credit outstanding, total <u>3</u> /.....do....	32,259	32,373	35,138	35,635	35,512	36,010
Member bank reserve balances <u>3</u> /.....do....	19,630	19,529	20,064	20,247	20,036	20,337
Excess reserves, estimated <u>3</u> /.....do....	550	380	426	506	338	612
Reporting member banks (of F.R.System) in leading cities: <u>4</u> / Demand deposits, adjusted.....mil. \$..	63,007	62,762	63,515	63,137	64,061	.....
Savings deposits.....do....	34,459	34,535	37,630	37,689	37,580	.....
Loans and investments (adjusted), total.....do....	125,472	126,133	134,670	135,328	135,273	.....
U.S. Government obligations.....do....	31,124	31,277	27,930	28,180	27,926	.....
Commercial and industrial loans (gross).....do....	34,680	34,779	37,108	37,198	37,254	.....
Real estate loans (gross).....do....	15,399	15,415	17,757	17,811	17,839	.....
Bond yields, domestic corporate (Moody's) <u>3</u> /.....percent..	4.54	4.54	4.54	4.54	4.54	4.54
Stock prices, 500 stocks (Stand. & Poor's) <u>4</u> /..1941-43=100..	62.12	62.89	73.29	72.56	72.25	73.80
Industrials, 425 stocks.....do....	65.13	65.95	77.43	76.58	76.32	78.04
PRODUCTION:						
Bituminous coal <u>3</u> /.....thous. sh. tons..	1,490	1,300	1,619	1,668	1,385	.....
Electric power, by utilities.....mil. kw.-hr..	16,699	17,005	17,637	17,727	16,976	.....
Motor vehicles (cars, trucks, buses).....number..	202,431	197,323	208,105	218,992	175,431	221,887
Petroleum (crude) and condensate <u>3</u> /.....thous. bbl..	7,313	7,335	7,580	7,593	7,558	.....
Steel.....thous. sh. tons..	1,876	1,858	1,979	1,995	2,000	2,042
Index of production.....1957-59=100..	100.7	99.7	106.2	107.1	107.4	109.6
FREIGHT CARLOADINGS, TOTAL.....thous. cars..						
Miscellaneous.....do....	562	537	588	587	467	.....
	306	303	309	311	258	.....

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

MONTHLY BUSINESS STATISTICS

ITEM	1962		1963			
	Oct.	Nov.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.
GENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORS						
NEW BUSINESS INCORPORATIONS (Dun & Bradstreet, Inc.):						
Unadjusted.....number..	15,318	12,926	15,197	13,753	16,741	.....
Seasonally adjusted.....do....	15,121	14,892	16,201	15,575	16,510	.....
DOMESTIC TRADE						
RETAIL TRADE, ALL RETAIL STORES:						
ESTIMATED SALES (UNADJUSTED), TOTAL <u>1</u> /.....mil. \$..	20,576	20,911	21,018	r19,267	r21,564	21,506
Durable goods stores.....do....	6,988	6,742	6,556	r5,999	r7,586	7,055
Automotive group.....do....	4,082	3,869	3,529	r2,990	r4,372	3,961
Lumber, building, hardware group.....do....	1,068	976	1,138	r1,055	1,119	.....
Nondurable goods stores.....do....	13,588	14,169	14,462	r13,268	r13,978	14,451
Apparel group.....do....	1,214	1,320	1,167	r1,161	r1,205	1,309
Eating and drinking places.....do....	1,485	1,445	1,698	r1,526	r1,563	1,486
Food group.....do....	4,803	4,917	5,318	r4,684	r4,928	5,091
General merchandise group.....do....	2,372	2,711	2,465	r2,295	2,455	2,732
ESTIMATED SALES (SEAS. ADJ.), TOTAL <u>1</u> /.....do....	r19,837	20,112	20,666	r20,426	r20,751	20,586
Durable goods stores.....do....	r6,353	6,437	6,562	r6,606	r6,929	6,801
Automotive group.....do....	r3,666	3,704	3,733	r3,717	3,966	.....
Lumber, building, hardware group.....do....	939	942	992	r975	986	.....
Nondurable goods stores.....do....	13,484	13,675	14,104	r13,820	r13,822	13,785
Apparel group.....do....	1,178	1,220	1,259	r1,204	1,162	.....
Eating and drinking places.....do....	1,456	1,471	1,519	r1,470	1,536	.....
Food group.....do....	4,881	4,860	4,996	r4,897	4,961	.....
General merchandise group.....do....	2,270	2,354	2,497	r2,411	2,338	.....
RETAIL FIRMS WITH 4 OR MORE STORES:						
Estimated sales (unadjusted), total.....do....	5,622	6,044	6,094	r5,546	5,962	.....
RETAIL FIRMS WITH 11 OR MORE STORES:						
Estimated sales (unadjusted), total.....do....	4,692	5,056	5,106	4,611	4,933	.....
Apparel group.....do....	314	346	310	309	310	.....
Eating and drinking places.....do....	103	99	115	107	109	.....
General merchandise group.....do....	1,519	1,734	1,662	1,546	1,646	.....
Grocery stores.....do....	1,890	2,000	2,136	1,825	1,976	.....
Lumber yards, building materials dealers.....do....	73	66	76	71	75	.....
Tire, battery, accessory dealers.....do....	92	92	94	83	93	.....

ITEM	1962		1963			
	Oct.	Nov.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.
DOMESTIC TRADE--Continued						
RETAIL FIRMS WITH 11 OR MORE STORES--Continued						
Estimated sales (seasonally adjusted), total.....mil. \$..	4,647	4,713	4,983	4,871	4,825	.....
Apparel group.....do.....	304	317	341	316	298	.....
Eating and drinking places.....do.....	101	100	107	105	107	.....
General merchandise group.....do.....	1,443	1,508	1,666	1,626	1,549	.....
Grocery stores.....do.....	1,954	1,940	2,007	1,970	2,004	.....
Lumber yards, building materials dealers.....do.....	62	63	63	63	64	.....
Tire, battery, accessory dealers.....do.....	89	92	88	89	91	.....
DEPARTMENT STORE SALES, UNITED STATES-TOTAL:						
Unadjusted index.....1957-59=100..	113	141	113	121	p116	p140
Seasonally adjusted index.....do.....	110	118	126	121	p113	p117
EMPLOYMENT						
CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE, TOTAL, UNADJUSTED.....thous..						
EMPLOYED.....do.....	72,187	71,782	74,418	73,062	73,344	73,261
Agricultural employment.....do.....	68,893	67,981	70,561	69,546	69,891	69,325
Nonagricultural employment.....do.....	5,475	4,883	5,496	5,326	5,350	4,777
UNEMPLOYED.....do.....	63,418	63,098	65,065	64,220	64,541	64,548
Percent of civilian labor force.....do.....	3,294	3,801	3,857	3,516	3,453	3,936
Percent of civilian labor force.....do.....	4.6	5.3	5.2	4.8	4.7	5.4
CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE, TOTAL, SEAS. ADJUSTED.....thous..						
EMPLOYED.....do.....	71,915	71,827	72,915	73,136	73,101	73,337
Agricultural employment.....do.....	68,076	67,691	68,917	69,076	69,075	69,045
Nonagricultural employment.....do.....	5,040	4,983	4,838	4,884	4,919	4,892
UNEMPLOYED.....do.....	63,036	62,708	64,079	64,192	64,156	64,153
Percent of civilian labor force.....do.....	3,839	4,136	3,998	4,060	4,026	4,292
Percent of civilian labor force.....do.....	5.3	5.8	5.5	5.6	5.5	5.9
FINANCE						
FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS, CONDITION, END OF MONTH:						
Assets, total.....mil. \$..	53,912	53,940	55,042	55,615	56,336	57,848
Reserve bank credit outstanding, total.....do.....	31,625	32,448	34,134	34,302	34,587	35,918
Discounts and advances.....do.....	219	71	389	138	332	868
U.S. Government securities.....do.....	30,201	30,454	32,391	32,563	32,758	33,667
Gold certificate reserves.....do.....	15,692	15,706	15,291	15,309	15,310	15,294
Liabilities, total.....do.....	53,912	53,940	55,042	55,615	56,336	57,848
Deposits, total.....do.....	17,825	17,741	17,860	18,093	18,187	18,200
Member-bank reserve balances.....do.....	16,821	16,648	16,782	16,772	16,922	16,952
Federal Reserve notes in circulation.....do.....	29,488	30,092	31,178	31,265	31,472	32,290
Ratio of gold certificate reserves to deposit and FR note liabilities combined.....percent..	33.2	32.8	31.2	31.0	30.8	30.3
CONSUMER CREDIT (SHORT- AND INTERMEDIATE-TERM): <u>1/</u>						
Total outstanding, end of month.....mil. \$..	60,441	61,203	66,308	66,538	67,088	.....
Installment credit, total.....do.....	46,526	47,052	51,526	51,718	52,257	.....
Installment credit extended and repaid:						
Unadjusted:						
Extended, total.....do.....	4,871	4,915	5,242	4,755	5,487	.....
Repaid, total.....do.....	4,489	4,389	4,610	4,563	4,948	.....
Seasonally adjusted:						
Extended, total.....do.....	4,639	4,855	5,100	5,093	5,311	.....
Repaid, total.....do.....	4,271	4,372	4,619	4,752	4,780	.....
FEDERAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE:						
Receipts, total.....do.....	4,068	8,533	9,977	11,722	4,371	.....
Receipts, net <u>2/</u>.....do.....	3,030	7,027	7,290	10,095	3,400	.....
Customs.....do.....	120	114	108	104	123	.....
Individual income taxes.....do.....	1,391	5,312	5,785	5,350	1,651	.....
Corporation income taxes.....do.....	460	412	386	3,603	557	.....
Employment taxes.....do.....	551	1,208	2,064	1,098	468	.....
Other internal revenue and receipts.....do.....	1,547	1,488	1,633	1,567	1,571	.....
Expenditures, total <u>2/</u>.....do.....	8,524	8,070	8,305	7,815	8,776	.....
Interest on public debt.....do.....	814	808	850	856	865	.....
Veterans' services and benefits.....do.....	440	443	466	438	463	.....
National defense.....do.....	4,610	4,558	4,469	4,233	4,638	.....
All other expenditures.....do.....	2,672	2,268	2,572	2,316	2,822	.....
CHEMICALS AND ALLIED PRODUCTS						
ORGANIC CHEMICALS, PRODUCTION:						
Acetic anhydride.....mil. lb..	105.1	99.5	103.7	111.6	104.6	.....
Acetylsalicylic acid (aspirin).....do.....	2.5	2.7	2.1	2.5	2.6	.....
Creosote oil.....mil. gal..	7.9	7.5	8.8	9.2	8.6	.....
DDT.....mil. lb..	15.5	14.7	14.8	14.3	14.2	.....
Ethyl acetate (85%).....do.....	7.6	10.7	9.6	8.7	10.0	.....
Ethylene glycol.....do.....	112.9	114.4	127.8	121.4	132.2	.....
Formaldehyde (37% HCHO).....do.....	186.3	179.0	218.3	216.4	234.3	.....
Methanol, synthetic.....mil. gal..	29.2	27.8	31.7	28.7	31.4	.....
Phthalic anhydride.....mil. lb..	36.1	35.8	37.1	41.4	45.3	.....
ALCOHOL:						
Ethyl alcohol and spirits:						
Production.....mil. tax gal..	65.5	52.6	49.7	61.7	.....	.....
Stocks, end of month.....do.....	150.7	144.7	177.2	181.7	.....	.....
Used for denaturation.....do.....	43.5	41.4	44.0	40.7	.....	.....
Taxable withdrawals.....do.....	7.7	6.4	5.0	5.8	.....	.....
Denatured alcohol:						
Production.....mil. wine gal..	23.8	22.8	23.8	22.0	.....	.....
Consumption (withdrawals).....do.....	23.4	21.9	24.3	22.0
Stocks, end of month.....do.....	2.1	3.0	2.8	2.8

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ITEM	1962		1963			
	Sept.	Oct.	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.
FOOD AND KINDRED PRODUCTS; TOBACCO						
BEER:						
Production.....mil. bbl..	7.38	7.41	10.83	9.38	7.42	.....
Taxable withdrawals.....do....	7.42	7.17	10.22	9.26	7.37	.....
Stocks, end of month.....do....	10.29	10.07	11.70	11.18	10.72	.....
DISTILLED SPIRITS (TOTAL):						
Production.....mil. tax gal..	10.17	14.84	6.82	8.52	9.42	.....
Taxable withdrawals.....do....	10.70	14.62	9.25	10.02	11.11	.....
Stocks, end of month.....do....	879.54	875.83	878.48	874.49	869.81	.....
Whisky:						
Production.....do....	6.16	8.71	3.40	5.06	5.80	.....
Taxable withdrawals.....do....	7.82	11.06	5.63	6.46	8.02	.....
Stocks, end of month.....do....	856.98	851.27	855.34	851.80	846.88	.....
Rectified spirits and wines, prod., total.....mil. proof gal..	17.52	10.69	6.23	6.73	7.74	.....
Whisky.....do....	5.60	8.29	4.42	4.62	5.68	.....
WINES AND DISTILLING MATERIALS:						
Effervescent wines:						
Production.....mil. wine gal..	.32	.36	.21	.36	.34	.....
Taxable withdrawals.....do....	.35	.50	.22	.31	.39	.....
Stocks, end of month.....do....	3.08	2.91	3.28	3.29	3.21	.....
Still wines:						
Production.....do....	59.71	86.89	2.01	3.04	45.43	.....
Taxable withdrawals.....do....	12.14	15.02	9.57	12.84	12.52	.....
Stocks, end of month.....do....	173.11	241.60	134.11	120.84	155.87	.....
Distilling materials produced at wineries.....do....	139.41	144.34	8.38	9.98	118.07	.....
TOBACCO, MANUFACTURED PRODUCTS:						
Production, total.....thous. lb..	13,369	16,499	12,576	15,019	14,759	.....
Consumption (withdrawals):						
Cigarettes, small:						
Tax-exempt.....millions..	3,245	3,221	3,347	3,867	3,173	.....
Taxable.....do....	40,466	45,461	42,414	47,006	42,399	.....
Cigars (large), taxable.....do....	515	622	566	606	555	.....
Manufactured tobacco, taxable.....thous. lb..	13,333	15,711	13,012	14,810	14,382	.....
METALS AND MANUFACTURES						
CASTINGS, TOTAL SHIPMENTS:						
Gray iron.....thous. sh. tons..	922	1,045	1,003	985	1,037	.....
Malleable iron.....do....	68	81	68	68	74	.....
Steel.....do....	101	112	105	119	121	.....
STEEL PRODUCTS, NET SHIPMENTS:						
Total (all grades).....do....	5,125	5,579	6,460	5,895	5,455	5,927
Structural shapes (heavy), steel piling.....do....	351	394	451	456	417	464
Plates.....do....	430	453	636	579	587	614
Bars and tool steel, total.....do....	824	915	966	910	848	948
Pipe and tubing.....do....	623	595	699	631	569	605
Tin mill products.....do....	453	376	533	541	405	404
Sheets and strip (incl. electrical), total.....do....	1,947	2,297	2,599	2,232	2,084	2,293
TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT						
REGISTRATIONS: <u>1</u> /						
New passenger cars.....thous..	373.9	677.7	706.0	552.9	403.6	714.7
Foreign cars.....do....	25.6	29.5	34.5	31.5	33.7	32.2
New commercial cars (trucks).....do....	74.8	102.3	111.3	105.0	93.5

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