

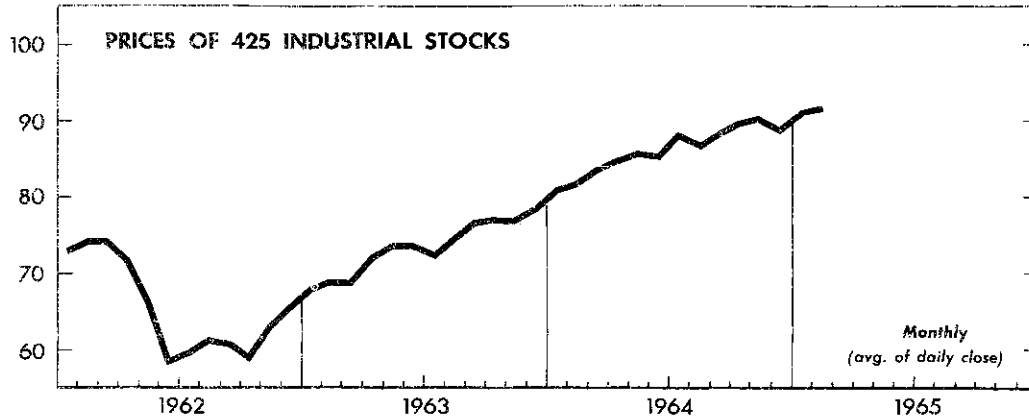
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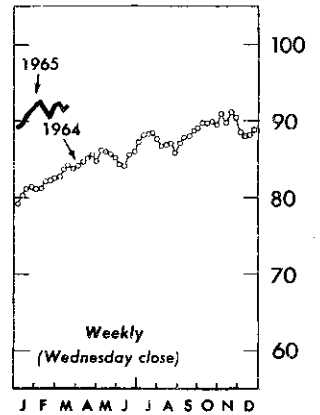
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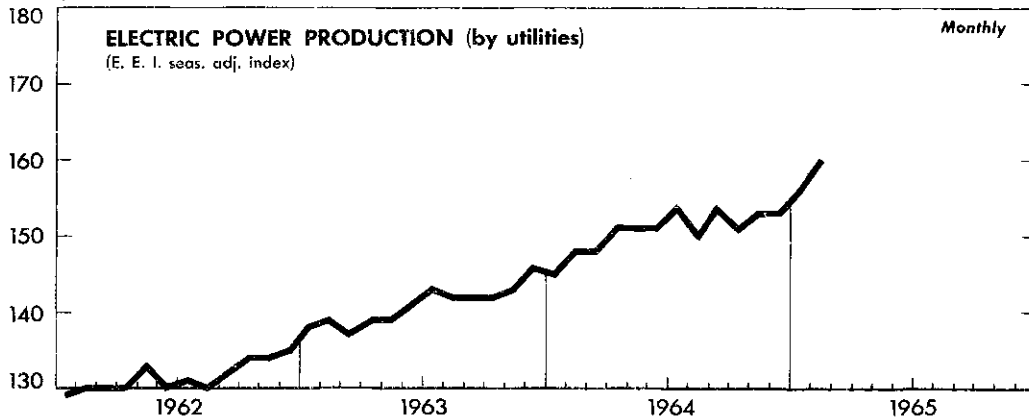
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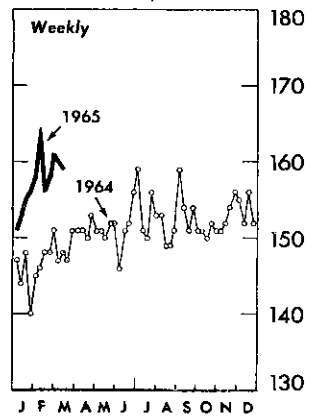
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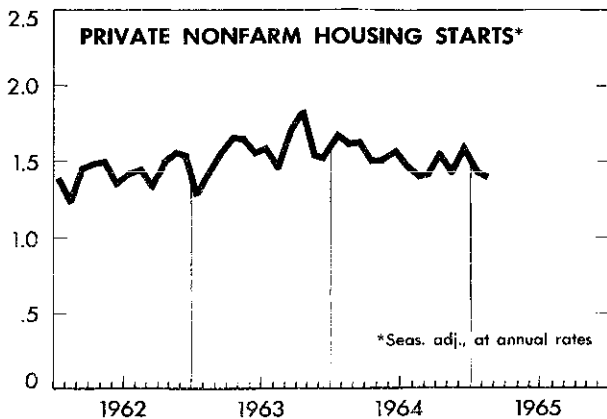
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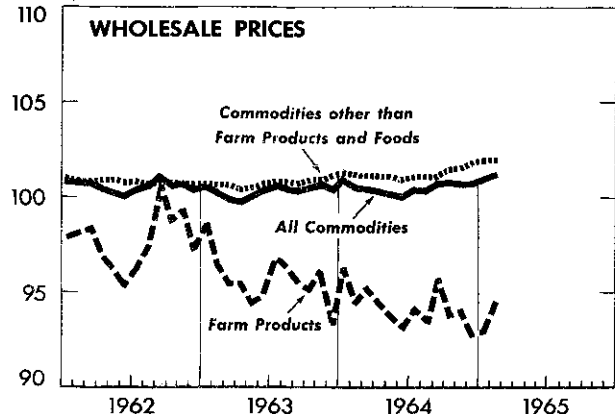
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Millions



Index, 1957-59=100



WEEKLY BUSINESS STATISTICS¹

ITEM	1964		1965			
	Mar. 14	Mar. 21	Feb. 27	Mar. 6	Mar. 15	Mar. 22
COMMODITY PRICES, WHOLESALE:						
All commodities.....1957-59=100.....	.....	*100.4	.....	.....	101.4	101.4
Farm products.....do.....	.....	*95.2	.....	.....	95.8	95.9
Foods, processed.....do.....	.....	*100.5	.....	.....	102.0	102.0
All other.....do.....	.....	*101.1	.....	.....	102.0	101.9
22 commodities <u>2/</u>.....do.....	94.4	93.9	101.9	102.8	102.9	102.5
ALL RETAIL STORES, SALES.....mil. \$..	4,610	4,741	4,896	4,804	4,848	.....
Nondurable goods stores.....do.....	3,093	3,184	3,174	3,316	3,220	.....
INITIAL UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIMS, State programs.....thous..	265	248	226	242	222	.....
INSURED UNEMPLOYMENT, all programs.....do.....	2,260	2,162	2,041	1,965	.....	.....
State programs (50 States, D.C., and Puerto Rico).....do....	2,105	2,012	1,910	1,837	.....	.....
FAILURES, INDUST. AND COMMERCIAL (Dun & Bradstreet).....number..	306	289	274	316	293	264
FINANCE:						
Currency in circulation <u>3/</u>.....mil. \$..	36,538	36,692	38,613	38,616	38,756	38,894
Federal Reserve bank credit outstanding, total <u>3/</u>.....do....	35,385	35,480	39,162	39,226	39,475	39,484
Member bank reserve balances <u>3/</u>.....do.....	19,978	20,213	21,185	21,138	21,063	21,163
Excess reserves, estimated <u>3/</u>.....do.....	314	375	533	217	366	324
Reporting member banks (of F.R. System) in leading cities: <u>4/</u>						
Demand deposits, adjusted.....mil. \$..	63,457	63,360	62,986	63,507	64,249	.....
Savings deposits.....do.....	38,428	38,509	41,623	41,744	41,910	.....
Loans and investments (adjusted), total.....do.....	137,589	139,308	149,301	150,232	149,679	.....
U.S. Government obligations.....do.....	27,865	27,910	25,855	25,963	25,661	.....
Commercial and industrial loans (gross).....do.....	37,507	38,137	43,041	43,343	43,163	.....
Real estate loans (gross).....do.....	18,217	18,280	20,167	20,188	20,202	.....
Bond yields, domestic corporate (Moody's) <u>3/</u>.....percent..	4.55	4.56	4.55	4.55	4.55	4.56
Stock prices, 500 stocks (Stand. & Poor's) <u>4/</u>.....1941-43=100..	78.95	79.38	87.17	87.26	86.54	87.02
Industrials, 425 stocks.....do.....	83.79	84.33	92.11	92.21	91.40	92.00
PRODUCTION:						
Bituminous coal <u>3/</u>.....thous. sh. tons..	1,372	1,477	1,518	1,517	1,503	.....
Electric power, by utilities.....mil. kw.-hr..	18,240	18,140	20,086	19,816	19,609	.....
Motor vehicles (cars, trucks, buses).....number..	196,529	197,871	191,787	242,162	250,651	251,951
Petroleum (crude) and condensate <u>3/</u>.....thous. bbl..	7,626	7,592	7,894	7,869	7,877	.....
Steel.....thous. sh. tons..	2,315	2,362	2,723	2,765	2,771	2,780
Index of production.....1957-59=100..	124.3	126.8	146.2	148.4	148.7	149.2
FREIGHT CARLOADINGS, TOTAL.....thous. cars..						
Miscellaneous.....do.....	296	309	291	310	323	.....

^{1/} Data do not always cover calendar weeks. ^{2/} Tuesday price. ^{3/} Daily average. ^{4/} Wednesday data. * Monthly index for Mar. 1964.

MONTHLY BUSINESS STATISTICS

ITEM	1964				1965	
	Jan.	Feb.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.
GENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORS						
MANUFACTURERS' SHIPMENTS: <u>1/</u>						
Value (not seasonally adjusted):						
Durable goods industries, total.....bil. \$..	17.6	19.2	19.4	20.0	r19.1	20.9
Primary metals.....do.....	3.0	3.2	3.4	3.3	r3.3	3.6
Transportation equipment.....do.....	4.9	5.3	5.0	r5.6	r5.4	5.9
Value (seasonally adjusted):						
Durable goods industries, total.....do.....	19.1	19.0	19.3	20.6	r20.6	20.5
Primary metals.....do.....	3.1	3.0	3.4	3.7	r3.5	3.4
Transportation equipment.....do.....	5.1	5.1	4.7	r5.3	5.5	5.6
MANUFACTURERS' ORDERS: <u>1/</u>						
New orders, net (not seasonally adjusted):						
Durable goods industries, total.....do.....	18.6	19.9	19.3	r20.4	r20.3	21.8
New orders, net (seasonally adjusted):						
Durable goods industries, total.....do.....	19.7	19.5	19.5	20.7	r21.3	21.1
Primary metals.....do.....	3.1	3.1	3.7	3.8	r3.7	3.7
Transportation equipment.....do.....	5.4	5.2	4.3	5.2	r5.5	5.7
Unfilled orders, end of month (unadjusted):						
Durable goods industries, total.....do.....	47.2	47.9	52.7	53.0	r54.3	55.3
Unfilled orders, end of month (seas. adj.):						
Durable goods industries, total.....do.....	47.1	47.6	53.4	r54.0	r54.1	54.8
Primary metals.....do.....	4.0	4.2	6.4	6.6	6.6	7.0
Transportation equipment.....do.....	19.7	19.8	20.9	r21.1	r20.9	21.1
COMMODITY PRICES						
WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX:						
ALL COMMODITIES.....1957-59=100..	101.0	100.5	100.7	100.7	101.0	101.2
By stage of processing:						
Crude materials for further processing.....do.....	95.1	94.0	94.0	94.0	94.2	95.5
Intermediate materials, supplies, and components.....do....	101.3	101.2	101.1	101.4	101.6	101.6
Finished goods.....do.....	102.1	101.6	102.1	101.9	102.3	102.3
By durability of product:						
Durable goods.....do.....	101.7	101.8	102.9	103.0	103.1	103.2
Nondurable goods.....do.....	100.3	99.5	99.1	99.0	99.5	99.7

^{r/} Revised. ^{1/} Data for Feb. 1965 are advance estimates.

ITEM	1964				1965	
	Jan.	Feb.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.
COMMODITY PRICES--Continued						
WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX--Continued						
Farm products.....1957-59=100..	96.3	94.5	94.0	92.7	93.0	94.5
Fruits and vegetables, fresh and dried.....do....	95.9	97.9	108.0	98.9	98.5	102.3
Grains.....do....	103.9	102.0	88.0	90.1	90.4	90.5
Livestock and live poultry.....do....	84.7	82.8	83.6	83.1	85.5	88.4
Foods, processed.....do....	102.5	100.9	100.9	100.8	102.2	102.0
Fruits and vegetables, canned and frozen.....do....	107.2	107.4	102.3	101.9	101.9	100.1
Meats, poultry, and fish.....do....	91.8	88.9	89.8	88.8	91.9	92.0
Commodities other than farm products and foods.....do....	101.3	101.2	101.6	101.8	101.9	101.9
Chemicals and allied products.....do....	96.3	96.4	97.1	97.2	97.3	97.5
Fuel and related products, and power.....do....	99.5	99.0	97.6	98.1	98.5	98.0
Furniture, other household durables.....do....	98.4	98.5	98.5	98.4	98.3	98.3
Machinery and motive products.....do....	102.5	102.5	103.2	103.1	103.3	103.5
Metals and metal products.....do....	101.7	101.8	104.3	104.7	104.5	104.6
Nonmetallic mineral products.....do....	101.1	101.2	101.8	101.6	101.7	101.8
Pulp, paper, and allied products.....do....	99.8	99.9	98.9	98.9	99.0	99.0
Textile products and apparel.....do....	101.2	101.2	101.4	101.5	101.5	101.5
PURCHASING POWER OF THE DOLLAR AS MEASURED BY--						
Wholesale prices.....do....	99.0	99.5	99.3	99.3	99.0	*98.8
CONSTRUCTION AND REAL ESTATE						
NEW HOUSING UNITS STARTED:						
Unadjusted:						
Total, incl. farm (public and private).....thous..	100.8	101.1	r113.8	r100.1	85.9	87.5
Privately owned.....do....	99.6	100.3	r111.4	r98.5	81.8	85.3
Total nonfarm (public and private).....do....	99.5	98.5	r111.6	r98.2	84.6	86.8
Privately owned.....do....	98.3	97.7	r109.2	r96.6	80.5	84.6
Seasonally adjusted at annual rates:						
Total, incl. farm (private only).....do....	1,718	1,657	r1,455	r1,646	1,466	1,422
Total nonfarm (private only).....do....	1,688	1,613	r1,429	r1,609	1,434	1,409
NEW PRIVATE HOUSING UNITS AUTHORIZED BY BUILDING PERMITS (12,000 permit-issuing places):						
Seasonally adjusted at annual rates:						
Total.....thous..	1,333	1,404	1,258	r1,173	1,312	1,272
One-family structures.....do....	742	810	741	r718	764	744
FINANCE						
FEDERAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE:						
Public debt and guaranteed obligations:						
Gross debt (direct), end of month, total.....bil. \$..	308.58	310.36	318.49	317.94	317.98	319.88
Interest bearing, total.....do....	304.50	306.13	314.02	313.55	313.68	315.54
Public issues.....do....	262.58	263.25	267.36	267.48	269.44	269.98
Held by U.S. Government investment accts.....do....	14.44	14.39	14.33	14.36	14.68	.....
Special issues.....do....	41.92	42.88	46.66	46.08	44.24	45.57
Noninterest bearing.....do....	4.08	4.22	4.46	4.39	4.31	4.34
Guaranteed obligations not owned by U.S. Treasury, end of month.....bil. \$..	.76	.79	.83	.81	.66	.69
U.S. savings bonds:						
Amount outstanding, end of month.....do....	49.11	49.21	49.81	49.89	49.94	50.01
Sales, series E and H.....do....	.47	.41	.35	.37	.43	.39
Redemptions.....do....	.53	.43	.36	.43	.53	.45
SECURITY MARKETS:						
STOCKS, CASH DIVIDEND PAYMENTS PUBLICLY REPORTED:						
TOTAL DIVIDEND PAYMENTS.....mil. \$..	1,187.5	594.7	488.5	3,520.3	1,385.2	613.3
Finance.....do....	305.1	209.3	125.8	493.1	374.8	214.1
Manufacturing.....do....	346.2	170.8	175.8	2,282.9	408.1	175.5
Mining.....do....	18.1	2.2	3.2	183.0	20.0	3.6
Public utilities:						
Communications.....do....	247.0	3.0	2.7	112.6	290.8	2.0
Electric and gas.....do....	135.0	140.1	140.7	236.9	146.1	151.4
Railroad.....do....	26.4	8.8	6.5	96.8	19.1	9.1
Trade.....do....	90.2	47.7	23.0	71.2	102.1	45.5
Miscellaneous.....do....	19.5	12.8	10.8	43.8	24.2	12.1
CHEMICALS AND ALLIED PRODUCTS						
INORGANIC CHEMICALS, PRODUCTION:						
Acetylene.....mil. cu. ft..	1,154	1,120	1,374	1,390	1,408	.....
Ammonia, synthetic anhydrous (commercial).....thous. sh. tons..	614.8	583.8	640.2	699.6	679.3	.....
Carbon dioxide, liquid, gas, and solid.....do....	79.0	76.0	81.2	84.4	80.5	.....
Chlorine, gas.....do....	466.8	456.0	502.5	523.6	529.4	.....
Hydrochloric acid.....do....	91.2	94.8	106.4	108.7	110.2	.....
Nitric acid.....do....	402.0	402.6	420.1	445.2	460.1	.....
Oxygen (high purity).....mil. cu. ft..	12,011	12,201	14,225	14,652	15,080	.....
Phosphoric acid.....thous. sh. tons..	267.9	273.5	275.3	272.6	284.1	.....
Sodium carbonate (soda ash), synthetic.....do....	381.2	394.5	428.3	394.0	402.6	.....
Sodium bichromate and chromate.....do....	9.3	10.5	11.3	12.2	11.6	.....
Sodium hydroxide.....do....	490.2	484.2	525.2	557.0	568.4	.....
Sodium silicate (soluble silicate glass), anhydrous.....do....	41.4	40.9	46.7	44.1	42.2	.....
Sodium sulfate (anhydrous, refined; Glauber's salt; crude salt cake).....do....	106.3	103.2	111.2	114.3	115.5	.....
Sulfuric acid.....do....	1,868.4	1,853.7	1,927.3	r2,037.0	1,984.6	.....

Revised. * Index based on 1947-49=100 is 83.2.

ITEM	1964				1965	
	Jan.	Feb.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.
FOOD AND KINDRED PRODUCTS; TOBACCO						
Rice, California:						
Receipts, domestic, rough.....mil. lb..	206	138	83	87	121	186
Shipments from mills, milled rice.....do....	89	187	56	49	58	182
Stocks, rough and cleaned (cleaned basis), end of mo.do....	232	143	180	185	210	161
VEGETABLE OILS AND RELATED PRODUCTS:						
Coconut oil:						
Production, crude.....do....	30.0	30.0	37.8	.....	36.7	.....
Corn oil:						
Production, crude.....do....	32.7	34.6	33.5	32.0	35.1	.....
Cottonseed cake and meal:						
Production.....thous. sh. tons..	326.5	292.8	339.0	325.0	315.4	.....
Stocks (at oil mills), end of month.....do....	207.5	241.4	159.9	126.8	150.6	.....
Cottonseed oil:						
Production, crude.....mil. lb..	231.4	207.4	243.3	233.7	227.9	.....
Linseed oil:						
Production, crude (raw).....do....	35.3	33.6	35.2	34.7	34.7	.....
Soybean cake and meal:						
Production.....thous. sh. tons..	842.0	807.3	1,022.2	1,009.4	1,001.9	.....
Stocks (at oil mills), end of month.....do....	152.4	162.4	120.3	102.6	186.8	.....
Soybean oil:						
Production, crude.....mil. lb..	388.6	376.2	467.9	464.8	463.3	.....
METALS AND MANUFACTURES						
IRON ORE (U.S. and foreign ores and ore agglomerates):						
Receipts at iron and steel plants.....thous. lg. tons..	2,710	3,225	11,476	6,249	3,981	.....
Consumption at iron and steel plants.....do....	9,113	8,867	10,900	11,472	11,522	.....
Stocks, end of mo.: At furnace yards.....do....	r54,654	49,002	62,407	57,184	49,643	.....
At U. S. docks.....do....	5,273	5,068	4,007	3,741	3,226	.....
STEEL PRODUCTS, NET SHIPMENTS:						
Total (all grades).....thous. sh. tons..	6,475	6,239	7,314	7,673	8,050	.....
Structural shapes (heavy), steel piling.....do....	422	405	546	540	566	.....
Plates.....do....	614	613	762	834	844	.....
Bars and tool steel, total.....do....	977	916	1,145	1,170	1,199	.....
Bars: Hot rolled (incl. light shapes).....do....	680	621	745	755	848	.....
Pipe and tubing.....do....	504	545	610	671	601	.....
Wire and wire products.....do....	221	226	234	227	273	.....
Tin mill products.....do....	563	494	399	415	635	.....
Sheets and strip (incl. electrical), total.....do....	2,786	2,608	3,092	3,286	3,415	.....
Sheets: Cold rolled.....do....	1,316	1,211	1,458	1,572	1,610	.....
Aluminum shipments:						
Ingot and mill products (net).....mil. lb..	542.5	530.4	r530.4	646.9	.....	.....
Mill products, total.....do....	358.5	354.8	r379.4	421.9	.....	.....
Plate and sheet (excl. foil).....do....	167.1	167.8	r169.4	191.9	.....	.....
TEXTILE PRODUCTS						
COTTON: 1/						
Consumption.....thous. bales..	819	685	723	799	729	745
Manufactures:						
Spindle activity (cotton system spindles):						
Active spindles, last working day, total.....thous..	18,591	18,543	18,744	18,667	18,744	18,750
Consuming 100 percent cotton.....do....	15,596	15,521	15,398	15,286	15,322	15,308
Spindle hours operated, all fibers, total...millions..	11,579	9,494	9,909	11,093	9,905	10,031
Average per working day.....do....	463	475	495	444	495	502
Consuming 100 percent cotton.....do....	9,742	7,978	8,166	9,155	8,109	8,214

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