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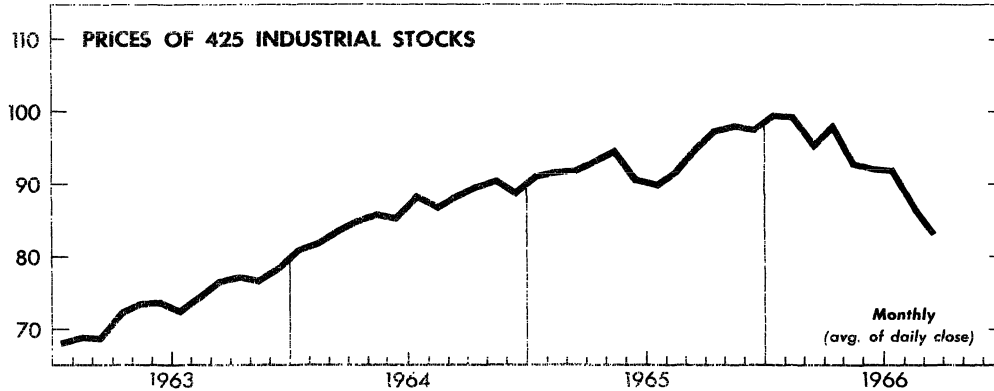


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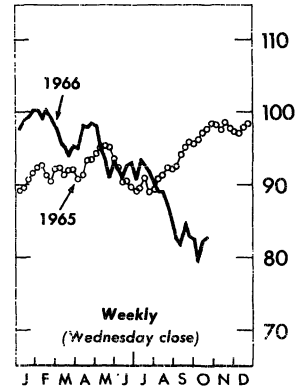
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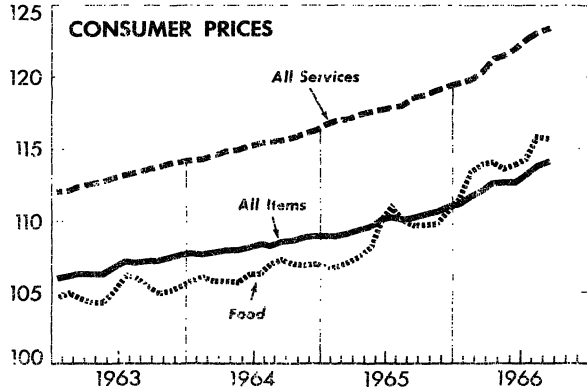


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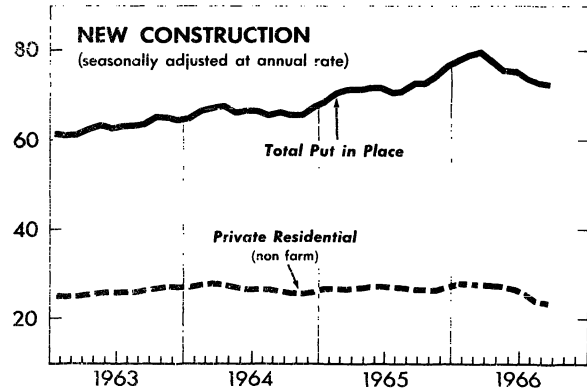


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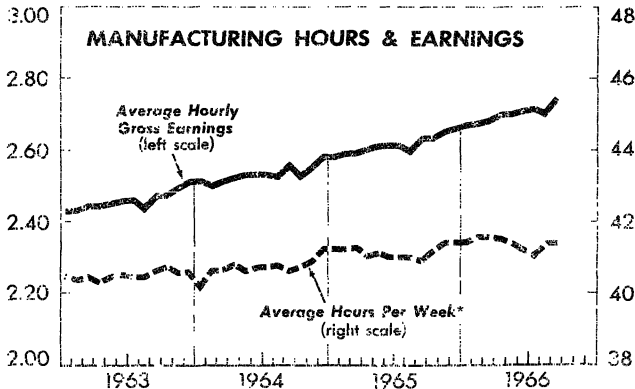
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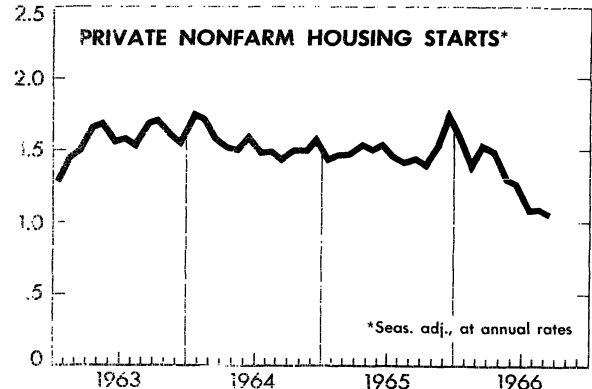
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WEEKLY BUSINESS STATISTICS<sup>1</sup>

ITEM	1965		1966			
	Oct. 16	Oct. 23	Oct. 1	Oct. 8	Oct. 15	Oct. 22
<b>COMMODITY PRICES, WHOLESALE:</b>						
All commodities.....1957-59=100.....	.....	*103.1	.....	106.1	106.1	105.9
Farm products.....do.....	.....	*99.4	.....	104.3	104.6	103.6
Foods, processed.....do.....	.....	*106.9	.....	112.3	112.3	111.7
All other.....do.....	.....	*102.8	.....	105.1	105.1	105.1
22 commodities <u>2/</u> .....do.....	105.6	105.6	106.2	105.8	104.8	103.4
ALL RETAIL STORES, SALES.....mil. \$..	5,656	5,602	5,970	5,877	5,871	.....
Nondurable goods stores.....do.....	3,692	3,648	3,989	4,023	3,966	.....
INITIAL UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIMS, State programs.....thous..	178	193	144	178	153	.....
INSURED UNEMPLOYMENT, all programs.....do.....	1,021	1,018	768	775	.....	.....
State programs (50 States, D.C., and Puerto Rico).....do...	923	923	723	730	.....	.....
FAILURES, INDUST. AND COMMERCIAL (Dun & Bradstreet).....number..	228	279	281	276	258	237
<b>FINANCE:</b>						
Currency in circulation <u>3/</u> .....mil. \$..	40,814	40,848	42,804	42,863	43,228	43,267
Federal Reserve bank credit outstanding, total <u>3/</u> .....do....	42,061	42,347	45,399	45,722	45,891	45,532
Member bank reserve balances <u>3/</u> .....do.....	21,705	22,274	23,133	23,638	23,368	23,325
Excess reserves, estimates <u>3/</u> .....do.....	300	493	56	335	434	493
Assets and liabilities of large commercial banks: <u>4/</u>						
Demand deposits, adjusted.....do.....	69,863	.....	71,052	70,570	70,160	.....
Savings deposits.....do.....	49,874	.....	47,237	47,192	47,085	.....
Loans, net (adjusted) and investments, total.....do.....	173,942	.....	182,639	182,294	181,064	.....
U.S. Government obligations.....do.....	26,781	.....	23,127	22,332	21,784	.....
Commercial and industrial loans (gross).....do.....	50,793	.....	59,399	59,611	59,568	.....
Real estate loans (gross).....do.....	25,138	.....	27,332	27,332	27,373	.....
Bond yields, domestic corporate (Moody's) <u>3/</u> .....percent..	4.72	4.72	5.71	5.69	5.67	5.67
Stock prices, 500 stocks (Stand. & Poor's) <u>4/</u> .....1941-43=100..	91.34	91.78	77.11	74.69	77.04	78.05
Industrials, 425 stocks.....do.....	97.12	97.61	82.26	79.52	82.12	82.89
<b>PRODUCTION:</b>						
Bituminous coal <u>3/</u> .....thous. sh. tons..	1,858	1,842	1,785	1,888	1,929	.....
Electric power, by utilities.....mil. kw.-hr..	19,695	19,838	21,573	21,255	21,436	.....
Motor vehicles (cars, trucks, buses).....number..	242,215	247,834	218,614	201,761	235,361	244,878
Petroleum (crude) and condensate <u>3/</u> .....thous. bbl..	7,858	7,862	8,311	8,366	8,367	.....
Steel.....thous. sh. tons..	2,141	2,032	2,615	2,633	2,607	2,588
Index of production.....1957-59=100..	114.9	109.1	140.4	141.3	139.9	138.9
FREIGHT CARLOADINGS, TOTAL.....thous. cars..	627	623	613	621	637	.....
Miscellaneous.....do.....	340	338	336	337	346	.....

<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 October 1965.

## MONTHLY BUSINESS STATISTICS

ITEM	1965		1966			
	Aug.	Sept.	June	July	Aug.	Sept.
<b>GENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORS</b>						
<b>MANUFACTURERS' SHIPMENTS: <u>1/</u></b>						
Value (not seasonally adjusted):						
Durable goods industries, total.....bil. \$..	19.8	20.8	24.7	20.6	21.4	23.6
Primary metals.....do.....	3.6	3.3	4.1	3.5	3.8	3.9
Transportation equipment.....do.....	4.4	5.0	6.6	4.9	4.4	5.9
Value (seasonally adjusted):						
Durable goods industries, total.....do.....	21.2	20.9	22.9	23.0	22.8	22.8
Primary metals.....do.....	3.7	3.2	3.8	4.0	3.9	3.9
Transportation equipment.....do.....	5.8	5.9	6.1	5.7	5.9	5.9
<b>MANUFACTURERS' ORDERS: <u>1/</u></b>						
New orders, net (not seasonally adjusted):						
Durable goods industries, total.....do.....	20.3	21.8	26.1	22.5	22.1	24.8
New orders, net (seasonally adjusted):						
Durable goods industries, total.....do.....	21.5	22.2	24.6	24.4	23.4	24.2
Primary metals.....do.....	3.1	2.9	4.1	4.1	3.8	3.9
Transportation equipment.....do.....	6.1	6.9	6.9	6.6	5.9	6.8
Unfilled orders, end of month (unadjusted):						
Durable goods industries, total.....do.....	58.4	59.5	70.9	72.8	73.6	74.8
Unfilled orders, end of month (seas. adj.):						
Durable goods industries, total.....do.....	58.1	59.4	71.3	72.7	73.2	74.7
Primary metals.....do.....	5.8	5.4	7.3	7.4	7.2	7.3
Transportation equipment.....do.....	23.9	24.9	29.4	30.3	30.4	31.3
<b>COMMODITY PRICES</b>						
<b>CONSUMER PRICE INDEX:</b>						
Unadjusted indexes:						
All items.....1957-59=100.....	110.0	110.2	112.9	113.3	113.8	114.1
Special group indexes:						
All items less shelter.....do.....	109.8	110.0	112.6	113.1	113.6	113.9
All items less food.....do.....	110.2	110.6	112.8	113.2	113.4	113.8
Commodities.....do.....	106.6	106.6	109.0	109.3	109.8	110.0
Nondurables.....do.....	108.5	108.6	111.5	111.8	112.5	112.9
Durables.....do.....	101.8	101.7	102.6	103.0	103.0	102.7
New cars.....do.....	97.1	96.5	96.8	96.7	95.8	94.4
Used cars.....do.....	120.3	118.9	118.2	120.3	122.1	120.1

<sup>1/</sup> Data for Sept. 1966 are advance estimates.

ITEM	1965		1966			
	Aug.	Sept.	June	July	Aug.	Sept.
COMMODITY PRICES--Continued						
CONSUMER PRICE INDEX--Con.						
Unadjusted indexes--Con.						
Special group indexes--Con.						
Commodities less food.....1957-59=100..	104.7	104.9	106.4	106.7	106.6	107.0
Services.....do.....	117.9	118.5	122.0	122.6	123.0	123.5
Services less rent.....do.....	120.0	120.7	124.8	125.5	125.9	126.5
Food.....do.....	110.1	109.7	113.9	114.3	115.8	115.6
Meats, poultry, and fish.....do.....	109.8	109.8	114.2	114.3	114.5	114.8
Dairy products.....do.....	105.0	105.3	109.6	111.0	114.8	116.0
Fruits and vegetables.....do.....	114.6	108.5	121.7	121.5	122.3	116.6
Housing.....do.....	108.2	108.6	111.1	111.3	111.5	111.8
Shelter.....do.....	110.7	110.8	114.1	114.4	114.6	115.0
Rent.....do.....	109.0	109.1	110.2	110.3	110.6	110.7
Homeownership.....do.....	111.4	111.6	115.8	116.2	116.4	116.8
Fuel and utilities.....do.....	105.3	107.4	108.0	107.9	107.9	108.0
Fuel oil and coal.....do.....	103.5	104.3	107.0	107.0	107.0	107.4
Gas and electricity.....do.....	107.7	107.9	108.1	108.1	108.1	108.1
Household furnishings and operation.....do.....	102.9	103.1	104.8	105.1	105.2	105.7
Apparel and upkeep.....do.....	106.4	107.2	109.4	109.2	109.2	110.7
Transportation.....do.....	111.0	111.0	112.2	113.5	113.5	113.3
Private.....do.....	109.5	109.5	110.7	111.5	111.6	111.3
Public.....do.....	121.5	121.6	122.8	129.1	129.2	129.5
Health and recreation.....do.....	115.6	115.8	118.7	119.1	119.5	119.9
Medical care.....do.....	122.8	122.8	127.0	127.7	128.4	129.4
Personal care.....do.....	109.0	109.2	112.2	112.5	112.7	113.0
Reading and recreation.....do.....	114.3	114.8	117.0	117.2	117.4	117.5
Seasonally adjusted indexes:						
Food.....do.....	.....	.....	114.0	113.2	115.5	115.3
Apparel and upkeep.....do.....	.....	.....	109.5	109.6	109.6	110.5
Transportation.....do.....	.....	.....	112.3	113.4	113.5	113.5
PURCHASING POWER OF THE DOLLAR AS MEASURED BY--						
Consumer prices.....1957-59=\$1.00..	\$0.909	\$0.907	\$0.886	\$0.883	\$0.879	\$0.876
CONSTRUCTION AND REAL ESTATE						
NEW CONSTRUCTION PUT IN PLACE (UNADJ.), TOTAL.....mil. \$..						
Private, total.....do.....	6,806	6,789	7,103	r7,100	r7,012	6,746
Residential (nonfarm).....do.....	4,623	4,607	4,789	r4,652	r4,611	4,459
New housing units.....do.....	2,527	2,450	2,534	r2,412	r2,255	2,149
Nonresidential buildings, total <u>1</u> /.....do.....	2,009	1,955	1,848	r1,846	r1,743	1,663
Industrial.....do.....	1,488	1,549	1,621	r1,612	1,697	.....
Commercial.....do.....	438	478	612	r616	622	.....
Farm construction.....do.....	615	646	573	r585	620	.....
Public utilities.....do.....	112	107	102	111	115	110
Public, total.....do.....	465	465	495	481	r509	500
Buildings (excl. military).....do.....	2,183	2,182	2,314	r2,448	r2,401	2,287
Residential.....do.....	703	722	850	r789	r767	730
Military facilities.....do.....	45	48	47	r52	r53	53
Highways and streets.....do.....	86	91	75	64	.....	.....
NEW CONSTRUCTION PUT IN PLACE (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED AT ANNUAL RATES), TOTAL.....mil. \$..	851	825	807	r1,024	r990	928
Private, total.....do.....	70,863	72,830	75,617	r73,827	r73,089	72,479
Residential (nonfarm).....do.....	49,222	50,167	52,108	r50,061	r49,273	48,684
Nonresidential buildings, total <u>1</u> /.....do.....	26,621	26,413	26,156	r25,115	r23,810	23,239
Industrial.....do.....	15,949	16,984	18,712	r17,884	18,268	.....
Commercial.....do.....	4,973	5,321	7,548	r7,163	7,062	.....
Farm construction.....do.....	6,239	6,977	6,343	r6,280	6,289	.....
Public utilities.....do.....	1,186	1,186	1,205	1,210	1,213	1,218
Public, total.....do.....	5,142	5,208	5,617	5,490	r5,624	5,597
Buildings (excl. military).....do.....	21,641	22,663	23,509	r23,766	r23,816	23,795
Residential.....do.....	7,609	8,187	8,866	r8,308	r8,329	8,321
Military facilities.....do.....	472	505	527	r562	r563	562
Highways and streets.....do.....	910	1,025	760	800	.....	.....
NEW HOUSING UNITS STARTED:	7,494	7,689	7,801	r8,709	r8,708	8,706
Unadjusted:						
Total, incl. farm (public and private).....thous..	138.0	125.9	130.7	r104.8	r106.8	95.0
Privately owned.....do.....	134.7	124.3	127.5	r104.0	r104.9	92.2
Total nonfarm (public and private).....do.....	136.2	124.3	128.3	r103.1	r104.7	92.8
Privately owned.....do.....	132.8	122.7	125.1	r102.3	r102.8	90.0
Seasonally adjusted at annual rates:						
Total, incl. farm (private only).....do.....	1,427	1,453	1,285	r1,088	r1,102	1,073
Total nonfarm (private only).....do.....	1,409	1,436	1,261	r1,068	r1,079	1,048
NEW PRIVATE HOUSING UNITS AUTHORIZED BY BUILDING PERMITS (12,000 permit-issuing places):						
Seasonally adjusted at annual rates:						
Total.....thous..	1,228	1,180	954	921	r844	736
One-family structures.....do.....	709	678	574	543	r491	457
CONSTRUCTION COST INDEXES:						
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE COMPOSITE.....1957-59=100..						
Engineering News-Record:	116	117	121	122	122	122
Building.....do.....	119.5	120.1	124.5	124.6	125.0	*125.2
Construction.....do.....	129.5	129.8	135.4	136.1	136.5	*136.7

Revised. 1/ Except farm and public utilities. \* Index as of Oct. 1, 1966: Building, 125.0; construction, 136.5.

ITEM	1965		1966			
	Aug.	Sept.	June	July	Aug.	Sept.
<b>CONSTRUCTION AND REAL ESTATE--Con.</b>						
Federal Home Loan Banks, outstanding advances to member institutions, end of period.....mil. \$..	5,770	5,802	6,783	7,342	7,226	7,175
New mortgage loans of all savings and loan associations, estimated total.....mil. \$..	2,187	2,079	1,629	1,234	r 1,314	1,118
By purpose of loan:						
Home construction.....do....	511	490	340	266	r 272	239
Home purchase.....do....	1,099	1,015	823	643	r 722	573
All other purposes.....do....	577	574	466	325	r 320	306
<b>FINANCE</b>						
<b>AGRICULTURAL LOANS AND DISCOUNTS OUTSTANDING OF AGENCIES SUPERVISED BY THE FARM CREDIT ADM.:</b>						
Total, end of month.....mil. \$..	8,040	8,013	9,145	9,351	9,412	9,406
Farm mortgage loans: Federal land banks.....do....	4,135	4,171	4,725	4,788	4,853	4,900
Loans to cooperatives.....do....	944	940	1,105	1,167	1,190	1,199
Other loans and discounts.....do....	2,962	2,902	3,315	3,396	3,368	3,308
Bank debits to demand deposit accounts, except interbank and U.S. Govt. accounts, annual rates, seas. adj.:						
Total (225 SMSA's).....bil. \$..	5,146.8	5,126.9	5,868.8	5,989.1	6,149.9	6,141.8
New York SMSA.....do....	2,128.0	2,104.3	2,491.7	2,480.6	2,676.1	2,625.2
Total 224 SMSA's (except N.Y.).....do....	3,018.8	3,022.6	3,377.1	3,508.5	3,473.8	3,516.6
6 other leading SMSA's.....do....	1,141.0	1,142.9	1,314.7	1,366.1	1,348.5	1,378.7
218 other SMSA's.....do....	1,877.8	1,879.7	2,062.4	2,142.4	2,125.3	2,137.9
<b>MONEY AND INTEREST RATES:</b>						
Federal intermediate credit bank loans.....percent..	4.98	5.02	5.68	5.91	5.99	6.13
Federal land bank loans.....do....	5.43	5.43	5.60	5.93	5.96	5.96
Turnover of demand deposits except interbank and U.S. Govt., annual rates, seasonally adjusted:						
Total (225 SMSA's).....ratio of debits to deposits..	48.4	47.2	53.7	53.1	54.4	53.6
New York SMSA.....do....	99.4	95.4	109.1	108.3	112.7	109.5
Total 224 SMSA's (except N.Y.).....do....	35.5	35.3	39.0	38.9	39.3	39.4
6 other leading SMSA's.....do....	44.9	44.1	51.1	51.1	52.2	51.1
218 other SMSA's.....do....	31.7	31.4	33.7	33.8	34.1	34.3
<b>SECURITY MARKETS:</b>						
<b>STOCKS:</b>						
Shares listed, New York Stock Exchange, end of month:						
Market value, all listed shares.....bil. \$..	500.62	517.67	502.41	497.11	458.66	454.89
Number of shares listed.....millions..	9,863	9,931	10,612	10,733	10,787	10,818
<b>METALS AND MANUFACTURES</b>						
<b>STEEL INGOTS AND STEEL FOR CASTINGS:</b>						
PRODUCTION.....thous. sh. tons..	11,324	9,949	11,403	10,791	11,130	11,280
Index.....daily average 1957-59=100..	137.3	124.6	142.8	130.8	134.9	141.3
<b>STEEL PRODUCTS, NET SHIPMENTS:</b>						
Total (all grades).....thous. sh. tons..	8,634	6,698	8,033	7,179	7,788	.....
Structural shapes (heavy), steel piling.....do....	606	516	582	548	582	.....
Plates.....do....	856	827	815	758	797	.....
Bars and tool steel, total.....do....	1,328	1,083	1,324	1,162	1,264	.....
Bars: Hot rolled (incl. light shapes).....do....	836	644	820	719	772	.....
Pipe and tubing.....do....	877	588	900	859	864	.....
Wire and wire products.....do....	323	248	334	279	317	.....
Tin mill products.....do....	733	275	582	534	558	.....
Sheets and strip (incl. electrical), total.....do....	3,406	2,753	3,021	2,613	2,952	.....
Sheets: Cold rolled.....do....	1,538	1,178	1,307	1,114	1,289	.....

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