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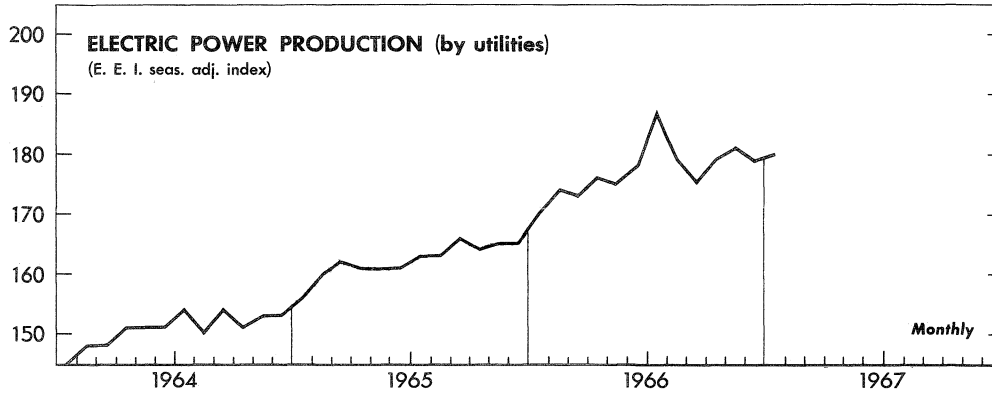


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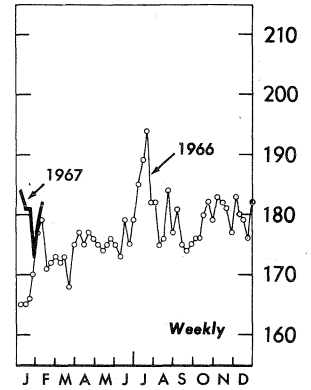
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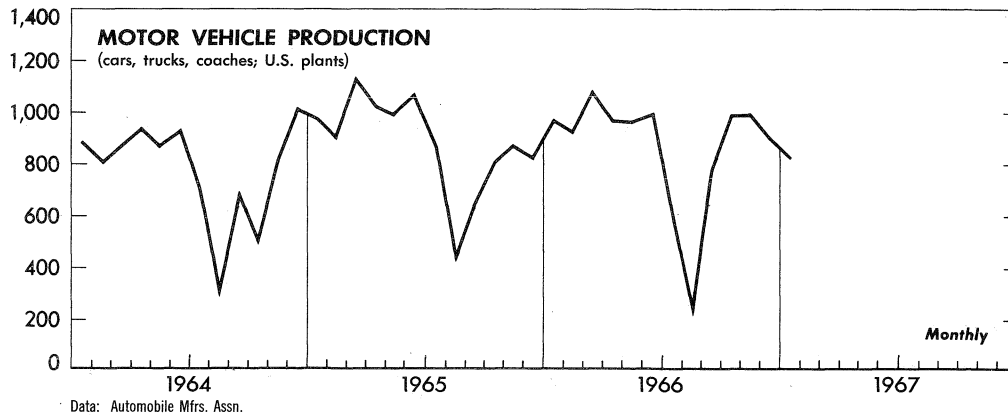
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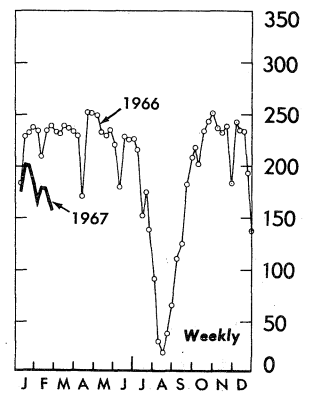
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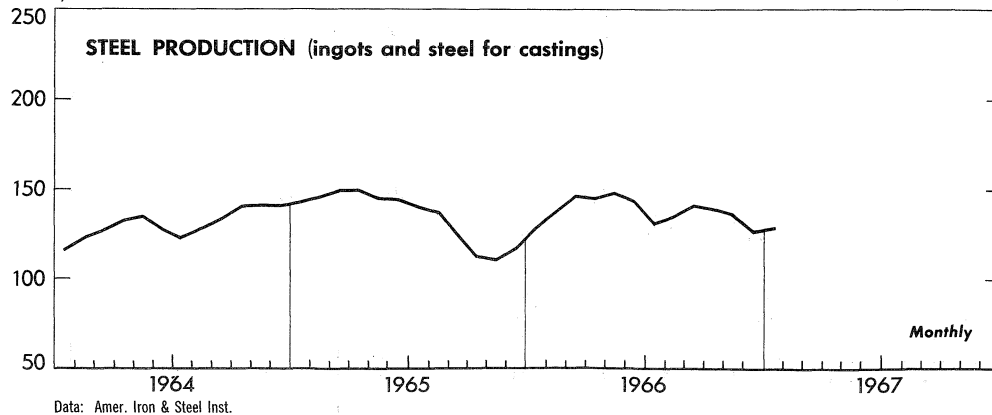
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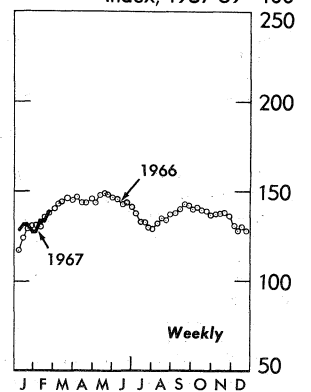
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WEEKLY BUSINESS STATISTICS<sup>1</sup>

ITEM	1966		1967			
	Feb. 19	Feb. 26	Feb. 4	Feb. 11	Feb. 18	Feb. 25
WHOLESALE PRICES, 22 COMMODITIES <u>2</u> /.....1957-59=100..	114.3	.....	102.5	102.2	102.1	101.7
ALL RETAIL STORES, SALES.....mil. \$..	5,249	5,377	5,331	5,055	5,307	.....
Nondurable goods stores.....do....	3,523	3,530	3,647	3,529	3,683	.....
INITIAL UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIMS, State programs.....thous..	209	195	274	276	248	.....
INSURED UNEMPLOYMENT, all programs.....do....	1,633	1,633	1,607	1,629	.....	.....
State programs (50 States, D.C., and Puerto Rico)...do....	1,546	1,545	1,534	1,557	.....	.....
FAILURES, INDUST. AND COMMERCIAL (Dun & Bradstreet).number..	281	229	356	288	286	294
<b>FINANCE:</b>						
Currency in circulation <u>3</u> /.....mil. \$..	41,283	41,219	43,347	43,405	43,614	43,568
Federal Reserve bank credit outstanding, total <u>3</u> /...do....	43,130	42,912	46,216	46,630	46,747	46,811
Member bank reserve balances <u>3</u> /.....do....	22,153	22,106	23,905	23,877	23,721	23,814
Excess reserves, estimated <u>3</u> /.....do....	337	398	325	316	416	599
Assets and liabilities of large commercial banks: <u>4</u> /						
Demand deposits, adjusted.....mil. \$..	70,594	.....	73,703	72,568	71,768	.....
Savings deposits.....do....	50,512	.....	46,459	46,466	46,506	.....
Loans and investments (adjusted), total.....do....	176,053	.....	186,431	184,313	185,315	.....
U.S. Government obligations.....do....	25,422	.....	25,758	25,326	25,926	.....
Commercial and industrial loans (gross).....do....	53,575	.....	60,258	60,213	60,404	.....
Real estate loans (gross).....do....	25,863	.....	27,291	27,242	27,253	.....
Bond yields, domestic corporate (Moody's) <u>3</u> /.....percent..	4.95	4.98	5.35	5.34	5.34	5.38
Stock prices, 500 stocks (Stand. & Poor's) <u>4</u> /1941-43=100..	93.16	91.48	86.43	87.72	88.27	*87.34
Industrials, 425 stocks.....do....	99.62	97.86	92.21	93.73	94.38	*93.36
<b>PRODUCTION:</b>						
Bituminous coal <u>3</u> /.....thous. sh. tons..	1,643	1,733	1,754	1,708	1,805	.....
Electric power, by utilities.....mil. kw.-hr..	21,671	21,726	23,000	23,436	23,144	.....
Motor vehicles (cars, trucks, buses).....number..	239,765	233,629	160,742	178,754	178,054	156,754
Petroleum (crude) and condensate <u>3</u> /.....thous. bbl..	8,255	8,302	8,737	8,722	8,712	.....
Steel, raw.....thous. sh. tons..	2,575	2,626	2,376	2,482	2,476	2,582
Index of production.....1957-59=100..	138.2	141.0	127.5	133.2	132.9	138.6
FREIGHT CARLOADINGS, TOTAL.....thous. cars..	538	536	520	500	531	.....
Miscellaneous.....do....	302	297	293	278	294	.....

1/ Data do not always cover calendar weeks. 2/ Tuesday price. 3/ Daily average. 4/ Wednesday data. \* Tuesday data.

## MONTHLY BUSINESS STATISTICS

ITEM	1965	1966				1967
	Dec.	Jan.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.
<b>GENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORS</b>						
<b>INDUSTRIAL AND COMMERCIAL FAILURES (Dun &amp; Bradstreet, Inc.):</b>						
Failures, total.....number..	1,090	1,084	1,150	1,112	1,055	1,191
Commercial service.....do....	119	101	138	127	111	113
Construction.....do....	210	203	213	214	219	223
Manufacturing and mining.....do....	156	160	154	145	157	171
Retail trade.....do....	492	515	542	526	454	558
Wholesale trade.....do....	113	105	103	100	114	126
Liabilities (current), total.....thous. \$..	97,575	103,175	108,046	106,732	161,481	108,172
Commercial service.....do....	7,895	8,021	8,230	6,161	11,654	8,044
Construction.....do....	22,741	13,877	24,399	24,523	67,110	19,361
Manufacturing and mining.....do....	24,972	23,029	34,992	33,768	29,338	32,818
Retail trade.....do....	28,793	42,216	26,043	27,343	38,631	27,301
Wholesale trade.....do....	13,174	16,032	14,382	14,937	14,748	20,648
Failure annual rate (seas. adj.) No. per 10,000 concerns..	54.2	50.7	57.2	55.6	52.4	55.4
<b>CONSTRUCTION AND REAL ESTATE</b>						
<b>CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS IN 48 STATES (F. W. Dodge Co.):</b>						
TOTAL VALUATION.....mil. \$..	3,698	3,374	4,106	3,461	3,189	2,838
Index (seasonally adjusted).....1957-59=100..	153	152	139	130	133	126
Building, total.....mil. \$..	2,879	2,467	3,020	2,500	2,262	2,112
<b>CONSTRUCTION COST INDEXES:</b>						
American Appraisal Co., The:						
Average, 30 cities.....1913=100..	837	840	884	885	887	889
Atlanta.....do....	909	913	969	970	970	970
New York.....do....	941	945	980	979	979	992
San Francisco.....do....	837	839	890	886	884	890
St. Louis.....do....	817	821	864	878	879	883
<b>EMPLOYMENT AND POPULATION</b>						
HELP-WANTED ADVERTISING, SEAS. ADJUSTED.....1957-59=100..	186	184	193	194	193	p189

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<b>FINANCE</b>						
<b>AGRICULTURAL LOANS AND DISCOUNTS OUTSTANDING OF AGENCIES SUPERVISED BY THE FARM CREDIT ADM.:</b>						
Total, end of month.....mil. \$..	8,080	8,206	9,381	9,357	9,452	9,560
Farm mortgage loans: Federal land banks.....do....	4,281	4,328	4,926	4,938	4,958	4,986
Loans to cooperatives.....do.....	1,055	1,113	1,219	1,276	1,290	1,323
Other loans and discounts.....do.....	2,745	2,766	3,236	3,143	3,205	3,251
<b>Money and interest rates:</b>						
Federal intermediate credit bank loans.....percent..	5.04	5.22	6.29	6.33	6.38	6.38
Federal land bank loans.....do.....	5.43	5.43	5.96	5.96	5.96	5.96
<b>LIFE INSURANCE:</b>						
<b>Premiums collected (LIAMA):</b>						
Total life insurance premiums.....mil. \$..	1,545	1,264	1,339	1,292	1,657	.....
Ordinary.....do.....	1,037	964	1,013	971	1,138	.....
Group* and wholesale.....do.....	272	190	220	221	280	.....
Industrial.....do.....	236	110	106	99	239	.....
<b>TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATION</b>						
<b>Hotels:</b>						
Average sale per occupied room.....dollars..	9.08	9.64	10.86	10.41	9.35	10.03
Rooms occupied.....% of total..	49	60	69	60	49	59
Restaurant sales index.....same mo. 1951=100..	115	106	113	108	118	106
<b>CHEMICALS AND ALLIED PRODUCTS</b>						
<b>PLASTICS AND RESIN MATERIALS, PRODUCTION:</b>						
Cellulose plastic materials.....mil. lb..	13.5	13.1	16.3	15.3	.....	.....
<b>Thermosetting resins:</b>						
Alkyd resins.....do.....	45.0	47.7	48.6	47.1	.....	.....
Coumarone-indene and petroleum polymer resins.....do....	27.1	25.0	23.9	25.9	.....	.....
Polyester resins.....do.....	36.7	35.7	37.9	38.0	.....	.....
<b>Phenolic and other tar acid resins.....do....</b>						
Urea and melamine resins.....do.....	84.8	80.6	r90.6	80.4	.....	.....
<b>Thermoplastic resins:</b>						
Styrene-type plastic materials (polystyrene).....do....	62.2	52.6	r58.3	51.7	.....	.....
Vinyl resins (resin content basis).....do.....	180.7	179.0	210.3	209.6	.....	.....
Polyethylene.....do.....	218.7	215.7	239.2	227.2	.....	.....
	282.2	279.9	304.6	312.7	.....	.....
<b>FOOD AND KINDRED PRODUCTS; TOBACCO</b>						
<b>BEER:</b>						
Production.....mil. bbl..	8.13	7.76	8.37	8.10	8.38	.....
Taxable withdrawals.....do.....	8.03	6.69	7.79	7.93	8.14	.....
Stocks, end of month.....do.....	r10.34	r10.89	11.54	11.08	10.57	.....
<b>WINES AND DISTILLING MATERIALS:</b>						
<b>Effervescent wines:</b>						
Production.....mil. wine gal..	.93	.76	.72	.73	.96	.....
Taxable withdrawals.....do.....	.86	.40	.91	1.01	1.00	.....
Stocks, end of month.....do.....	3.10	3.40	4.20	3.88	3.75	.....
<b>Still wines:</b>						
Production.....do.....	r9.51	7.37	88.44	17.88	8.28	.....
Taxable withdrawals.....do.....	15.05	12.00	15.90	16.09	14.47	.....
Stocks, end of month.....do.....	r262.30	r254.73	290.38	282.86	265.10	.....
Distilling materials produced at wineries.....do....	29.91	11.33	129.55	35.20	18.65	.....
<b>VEGETABLE OILS AND RELATED PRODUCTS:</b>						
<b>Corn oil:</b>						
Production, crude.....mil. lb..	36.0	35.4	39.5	36.1	34.1	34.3
<b>Cottonseed cake and meal:</b>						
Production.....thous. sh. tons..	332.8	334.4	237.7	259.9	r249.2	241.3
Stocks (at oil mills), end of month.....do.....	80.9	94.6	89.6	91.7	r94.2	109.4
<b>Cottonseed oil:</b>						
Production, crude.....mil. lb..	230.9	232.6	165.6	183.1	r175.1	170.1
<b>Linseed oil:</b>						
Production, crude (raw).....do.....	40.9	37.5	45.4	39.0	30.1	33.2
<b>Soybean cake and meal:</b>						
Production.....thous. sh. tons..	1,135.2	1,163.8	1,039.6	1,147.1	r1,133.1	1,158.4
Stocks (at oil mills), end of month.....do.....	75.4	105.0	130.0	129.0	r120.0	133.6
<b>Soybean oil:</b>						
Production, crude.....mil. lb..	519.8	533.2	482.1	521.9	r512.3	537.9
<b>TOBACCO, MANUFACTURED PRODUCTS:</b>						
<b>Consumption (withdrawals):</b>						
<b>Cigarettes, small:</b>						
Tax-exempt.....millions..	4,053	4,088	3,827	3,819	3,549	.....
Taxable.....do.....	37,720	39,348	43,484	43,225	38,079	.....
Cigars (large), taxable.....do.....	445	571	645	664	424	.....
<b>LEATHER AND PRODUCTS</b>						
<b>LEATHER PRODUCTION:</b>						
Calf and whole kip.....thous. skins..	528	500	350	397	341	.....
Cattle hide and side kip.....thous. hides and kips..	2,065	1,965	2,043	2,016	1,925	.....
Goat and kid.....thous. skins..	1,523	1,371	902	948	913	.....
Sheep and lamb.....do.....	2,697	2,550	2,089	2,350	1,960	.....

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<b>METALS AND MANUFACTURES</b>						
<b>PIG IRON:</b>						
Production (excl. ferroalloys).....thous. sh. tons..	6,327	6,910	8,044	7,470	7,350	7,374
Steel (carbon), finished, composite price <u>1</u> /.....\$ per lb..	.0839	.0839	.0848	.0848	.0848	p.0848
<b>MACHINE TOOLS:</b>						
<b>Metal cutting tools:</b>						
Orders, new (net), total.....mil. \$..	128.50	126.50	128.10	103.50	r113.10	87.05
Domestic.....do.....	116.50	115.50	121.10	93.20	r100.80	79.70
Shipments, total.....do.....	109.10	79.30	101.80	96.60	r127.05	85.40
Domestic.....do.....	98.15	70.20	91.65	85.20	r113.40	76.55
Estimated backlog, end of month.....months..	7.6	8.2	11.0	11.1	r10.9	10.7
<b>Metal forming tools:</b>						
Orders, new (net), total.....mil. \$..	27.60	29.75	23.75	24.30	16.45	12.15
Domestic.....do.....	23.95	26.10	20.90	22.75	13.90	11.80
Shipments, total.....do.....	30.30	23.35	27.05	28.00	28.75	25.50
Domestic.....do.....	27.55	22.25	25.60	26.45	27.70	23.85
Estimated backlog, end of month.....months..	9.9	10.0	9.0	8.6	8.4	7.6
Washers, sales (domestic and export).....thous..	357.1	317.4	407.6	304.6	245.3	317.0
Driers (elec., gas), sales (domestic and export).....do....	238.8	186.7	297.9	201.6	201.9	219.7
<b>PULP, PAPER, AND PAPER PRODUCTS</b>						
<b>NEWSPRINT, UNITED STATES:</b>						
Production.....thous. sh. tons..	181	197	211	214	201	227
Shipments from mills.....do.....	186	191	210	215	207	209
Stocks at mills, end of month.....do.....	19	25	28	28	21	39
Consumption by publishers.....do.....	576	526	641	626	593	542
Stocks at and in transit to publishers, end of mo.....do. .	573	586	700	705	681	682
<b>TEXTILE PRODUCTS</b>						
<b>COTTON (exclusive of linters): <u>2</u>/</b>						
Consumption.....thous. bales..	831	753	781	759	852	770
<b>Manufactures:</b>						
Spindle activity (cotton system spindles):						
Active spindles, last working day, total....millions..	18.9	18.9	19.5	19.5	19.5	19.8
Consuming 100 percent cotton.....do.....	14.7	14.7	15.1	15.1	15.1	15.3
Spindle hours operated, all fibers, total....billions..	11.8	10.4	10.5	10.2	11.3	10.1
Average per working day.....do.....	.470	.522	.527	.508	.453	.503
Consuming 100 percent cotton.....do.....	9.3	8.2	8.3	7.9	8.8	7.8
<b>Men's apparel, cuttings:</b>						
Tailored garments:						
Suits.....thous. units..	1,731	1,766	1,826	r1,736	1,436	.....
Overcoats and topcoats.....do.....	358	274	330	r283	236	.....
Coats (separate), dress and sport.....do.....	1,157	1,161	1,079	r1,055	1,080	.....
Trousers (separate), dress and sport.....do.....	10,461	11,295	11,846	r11,649	10,499	.....
Shirts (woven fabrics), dress and sport.....thous. doz..	2,519	2,331	2,392	r2,446	2,187	.....
<b>Women's, misses', juniors' outerwear, cuttings:</b>						
Coats.....thous. units..	1,788	2,041	r2,401	2,165	.....	.....
Dresses.....do.....	19,032	19,810	23,144	20,856	.....	.....
Suits.....do.....	953	885	918	928	.....	.....
Blouses, waists, and shirts.....thous. doz..	1,197	r1,318	1,196	1,064	.....	.....
Skirts.....do.....	561	773	992	784	.....	.....

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