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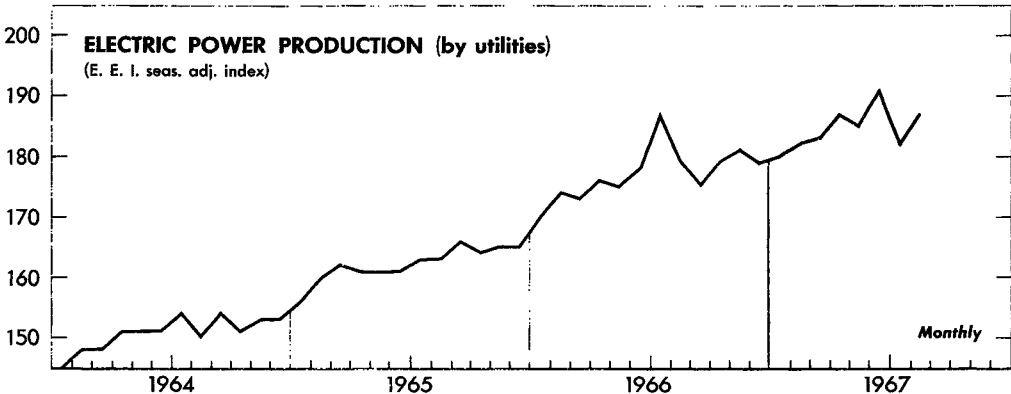


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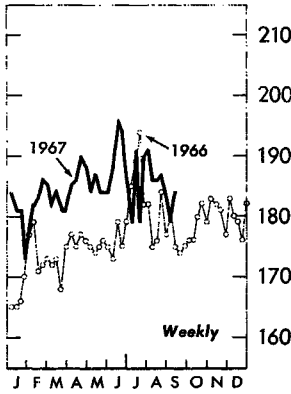
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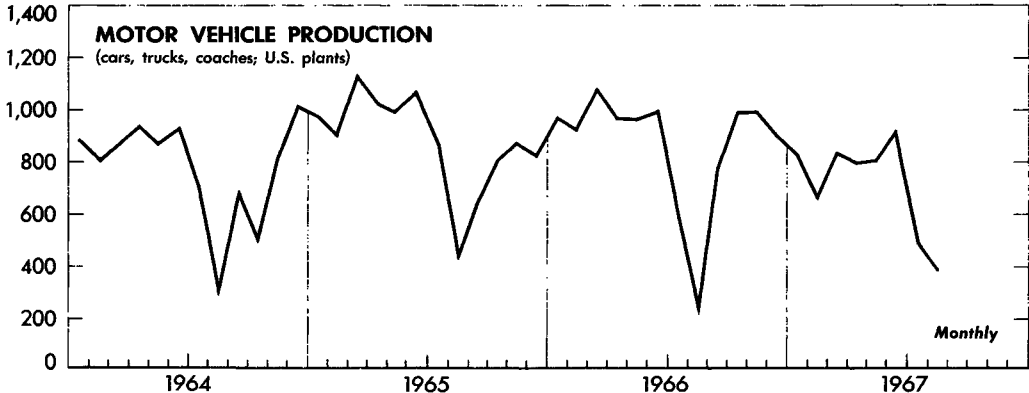
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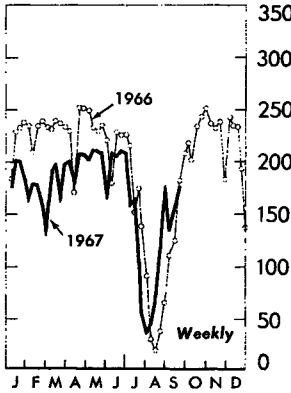
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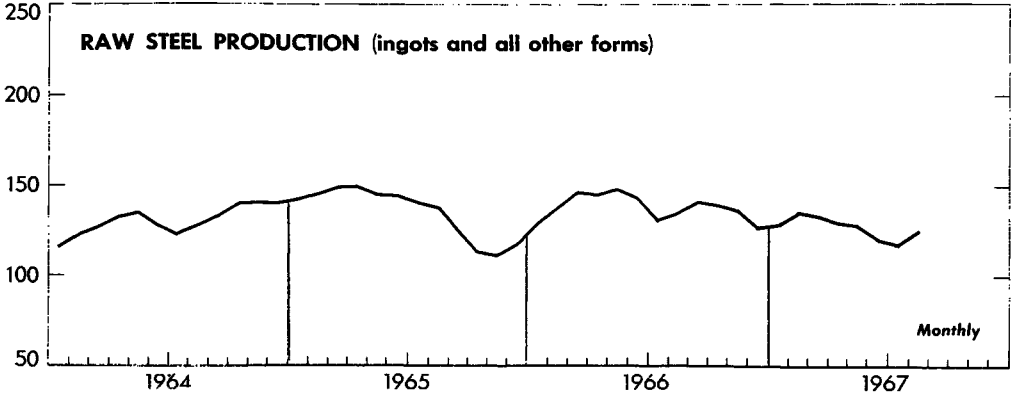
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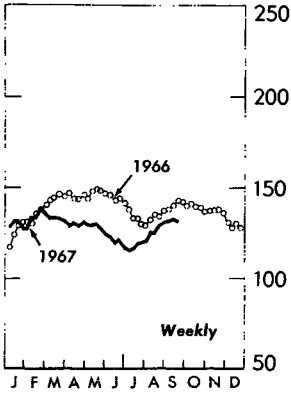
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WEEKLY BUSINESS STATISTICS¹

ITEM	1966		1967			
	Sept. 17	Sept. 24	Sept. 2	Sept. 9	Sept. 16	Sept. 23
WHOLESALE PRICES, 22 COMMODITIES <u>2/</u>.....1957-59=100..	108.3	106.6	96.4	96.1	95.6	96.3
ALL RETAIL STORES, SALES.....mil. \$..	5,748	5,619	6,380	5,747	6,005	.....
Nondurable goods stores.....do....	3,946	3,902	4,445	4,096	4,174	.....
INITIAL UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIMS, State programs.....thous..	155	144	163	157	166	.....
INSURED UNEMPLOYMENT, all programs.....do....	804	789	990	998	.....	.....
State programs (50 States, D.C., and Puerto Rico).....do....	756	743	931	938	.....	.....
FAILURES, INDUST. AND COMMERCIAL (Dun & Bradstreet).number..	273	264	260	200	235	.....
FINANCE:						
Currency in circulation <u>3/</u>.....mil. \$..	43,228	43,000	44,918	45,130	45,398	45,223
Federal Reserve bank credit outstanding, total.....do....	45,791	45,841	47,651	48,247	47,880	47,949
Member bank reserve balances <u>3/</u>.....do....	23,231	23,751	23,464	23,944	24,026	24,322
Excess reserves, estimated <u>3/</u>.....do....	504	592	241	366	386	442
Assets and liabilities of large commercial banks: <u>4/</u>						
Demand deposits, adjusted.....mil. \$..	72,090	71,291	73,321	73,491	74,551	.....
Savings deposits.....do....	47,256	47,155	47,957	48,002	48,027	.....
Loans and investments (adjusted), total.....do....	182,047	182,910	194,809	195,282	195,837	.....
U.S. Government obligations.....do....	22,893	22,663	26,903	26,822	27,138	.....
Commercial and industrial loans (gross).....do....	58,674	59,382	62,189	62,238	62,296	.....
Real estate loans (gross).....do....	27,301	27,264	28,094	28,107	28,202	.....
Bond yields, domestic corporate (Moody's) <u>3/</u>.....percent..	5.72	5.72	5.96	5.98	5.99	5.99
Stock prices, 500 stocks (Stand. & Poor's).....1941-43=10..	79.13	77.71	93.07	94.39	95.99	96.13
Industrials, 425 stocks.....do....	84.55	82.94	100.52	102.03	103.98	104.25
PRODUCTION:						
Bituminous coal <u>3/</u>.....thous. sh. tons..	1,883	1,853	1,847	1,853	1,833	.....
Electric power, by utilities.....mil. kw.-hr..	21,848	21,462	23,831	22,088	23,123	.....
Motor vehicles (cars, trucks, buses).....number..	182,501	207,477	177,106	134,858	156,426	176,894
Petroleum (crude) and condensate <u>3/</u>.....thous. bbl..	8,298	8,302	9,434	9,227	9,211	.....
Steel, raw.....thous. sh. tons..	2,670	2,645	2,428	2,431	2,469	2,440
Index of production.....1957-59=100..	143.3	142.0	130.3	130.5	132.5	131.0
FREIGHT CARLOADINGS, TOTAL.....thous. cars..	616	612	571	487	566	.....
Miscellaneous.....do....	325	328	311	263	313	.....

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

MONTHLY BUSINESS STATISTICS

ITEM	1966		1967			
	July	Aug.	May	June	July	Aug.
GENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORS						
MANUFACTURERS' SHIPMENTS: <u>1/</u>						
Value (not seasonally adjusted):						
Durable goods industries, total.....bil. \$..	20.6	21.4	23.5	24.8	r20.2	21.8
Primary metals.....do....	3.5	3.8	3.6	3.7	3.1	3.3
Transportation equipment.....do....	4.9	4.4	6.6	6.9	r4.9	5.0
Value (seasonally adjusted):						
Durable goods industries, total.....do....	23.0	22.9	22.9	23.1	r23.1	23.2
Primary metals.....do....	4.0	3.9	3.4	3.5	3.6	3.5
Transportation equipment.....do....	5.7	5.9	6.4	6.5	r6.2	6.4
MANUFACTURERS' ORDERS: <u>1/</u>						
New orders, net (not seasonally adjusted):						
Durable goods industries, total.....do....	22.5	22.2	23.6	25.8	r21.2	21.6
New orders, net (seasonally adjusted):						
Durable goods industries, total.....do....	24.4	23.5	23.9	24.3	r23.4	22.8
Primary metals.....do....	4.1	3.8	3.6	3.6	r3.6	3.4
Transportation equipment.....do....	6.6	6.0	7.2	7.3	r6.5	5.6
Unfilled orders, end of month (unadjusted):						
Durable goods industries, total.....do....	72.8	73.6	74.7	75.7	r76.7	76.5
Unfilled orders, end of month (seas. adj.):						
Durable goods industries, total.....do....	72.7	73.3	75.0	76.2	r76.4	76.1
Primary metals.....do....	7.4	7.2	5.7	5.9	r5.9	5.9
Transportation equipment.....do....	30.3	30.4	33.1	33.9	r34.2	33.5
CONSTRUCTION AND REAL ESTATE						
CONSTRUCTION COST INDEXES:						
American Appraisal Co., The:						
Average, 30 cities.....1913=100..	877	881	899	909	915	917
Atlanta.....do....	950	952	982	982	995	998
New York.....do....	969	971	997	997	1,013	1,015
San Francisco.....do....	887	888	890	891	923	924
St. Louis.....do....	863	863	912	912	912	912

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	July	Aug.	May	June	July	Aug.
CONSTRUCTION AND REAL ESTATE--Con.						
New mortgage loans of all savings and loan associations, estimated total.....mil. \$..	1,234	1,314	1,738	2,162	r1,860	2,210
By purpose of loan:						
Home construction.....do....	266	272	400	435	r382	425
Home purchase.....do....	643	722	779	1,046	r951	1,188
All other purposes.....do....	325	320	559	681	r527	597
LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT, AND EARNINGS						
HELP-WANTED ADVERTISING, SEAS. ADJUSTED.....1957-59=100..	186	189	174	171	169	p180
FINANCE						
AGRICULTURAL LOANS AND DISCOUNTS OUTSTANDING OF AGENCIES SUPERVISED BY THE FARM CREDIT ADM.:						
Total, end of month.....mil. \$..	9,351	9,412	10,280	10,435	10,605	10,661
Farm mortgage loans: Federal land banks.....do....	4,788	4,853	5,248	5,303	5,358	5,404
Loans to cooperatives.....do....	1,167	1,190	1,316	1,296	1,335	1,368
Other loans and discounts.....do....	3,396	3,368	3,716	3,836	3,911	3,889
Bank debits to demand deposits accounts, except interbank and U.S. Govt. accounts, annual rates, seas. adj.:						
Total (233 SMSA's).....bil. \$..	5,868.3	6,092.4	6,348.2	6,637.2	6,688.7	7,067.8
New York SMSA.....do....	2,394.1	2,597.0	2,734.5	2,904.1	2,857.1	3,185.7
Total 232 SMSA's (except N.Y.).....do....	3,474.2	3,495.4	3,613.7	3,733.1	3,831.6	3,882.1
6 other leading SMSA's.....do....	1,343.6	1,357.1	1,409.2	1,476.4	1,560.5	1,575.0
226 other SMSA's.....do....	2,130.6	2,138.3	2,204.5	2,256.7	2,271.1	2,307.1
Money and interest rates:						
Federal intermediate credit bank loans.....percent..	5.91	5.99	5.78	5.72	r5.63	5.62
Federal land bank loans.....do....	5.93	5.96	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00
LIFE INSURANCE (Institute of Life Insurance):						
ASSETS, TOTAL, ALL U.S. COMPANIES.....bil. \$..	163.49	163.94	171.24	171.88	173.13	.....
Bonds (book value), total.....do....	71.59	71.65	73.26	73.48	74.37	.....
Stocks (book value), total.....do....	7.38	7.36	8.00	8.12	8.34	.....
Mortgage loans, total.....do....	62.97	63.34	66.25	66.41	66.32	.....
Nonfarm.....do....	57.78	58.13	60.92	61.04	60.92	.....
Real estate.....do....	4.78	4.79	4.95	4.99	5.03	.....
Policy loans and premium notes.....do....	8.29	8.45	9.62	9.70	9.74	.....
Cash.....do....	1.12	1.18	1.35	1.30	1.46	.....
Other assets.....do....	7.36	7.17	7.80	7.89	7.87	.....
PAYMENTS TO POLICYHOLDERS AND BENEFICIARIES IN U.S.:						
TOTAL.....mil. \$..	916.2	1,087.1	1,103.2	1,137.5	969.0	.....
Death benefits.....do....	406.2	459.1	492.1	477.4	429.6	.....
Matured endowments.....do....	73.0	77.6	85.6	87.9	71.6	.....
Disability payments.....do....	13.7	13.0	15.1	17.5	13.5	.....
Annuity payments.....do....	95.3	100.4	101.1	102.2	102.5	.....
Surrender values.....do....	165.0	182.6	195.7	199.2	169.2	.....
Policy dividends.....do....	163.0	254.4	213.6	253.3	182.6	.....
TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATION						
Hotels:						
Average sale per occupied room.....dollars..	9.46	10.49	10.41	11.06	9.93	11.12
Rooms occupied.....% of total..	56	65	64	63	55	63
Restaurant sales index.....same mo. 1951=100..	114	111	128	123	109	112
CHEMICALS AND ALLIED PRODUCTS						
Paints, varnish, and lacquer:						
Factory shipments, total.....mil. \$..	202.5	225.9	231.7	250.4	214.8	.....
Trade products.....do....	121.9	132.4	134.4	146.7	134.2	.....
Industrial finishes.....do....	80.6	93.5	97.3	103.7	80.7	.....
FOOD AND KINDRED PRODUCTS; TOBACCO						
BEER:						
Production.....mil. bbl..	11.32	10.99	11.26	11.21	10.64	.....
Taxable withdrawals.....do....	10.59	10.44	10.20	10.51	9.63	.....
Stocks, end of month.....do....	12.48	12.25	13.04	12.83	13.03	.....
VEGETABLE OILS AND RELATED PRODUCTS:						
Corn oil:						
Production, crude.....mil. lb..	37.5	38.2	38.5	40.2	r33.9	38.9
Cottonseed cake and meal:						
Production.....thous. sh. tons..	72.2	70.8	63.3	67.5	r44.2	61.7
Stocks (at oil mills), end of month.....do....	133.9	99.5	160.9	157.8	r148.4	133.8
Cottonseed oil:						
Production, crude.....mil. lb..	50.6	49.1	43.5	49.6	30.2	42.8
Linseed oil:						
Production, crude (raw).....do....	15.9	38.5	32.5	35.4	7.2	32.9
Soybean cake and meal:						
Production.....thous. sh. tons..	969.9	944.0	1,107.6	1,103.6	r1,061.7	1,042.0
Stocks (at oil mills), end of month.....do....	198.9	130.5	111.7	122.1	r141.3	104.5
Soybean oil:						
Production, crude.....mil. lb..	451.8	436.9	514.7	513.5	r494.1	486.6

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FOOD AND KINDRED PRODUCTS; TOBACCO--Con.						
TOBACCO, MANUFACTURED PRODUCTS:						
Consumption (withdrawals):						
Cigarettes, small:						
Tax-exempt.....millions..	3,625	3,863	4,321	5,262	4,141	.....
Taxable.....do.....	37,925	50,707	48,101	48,123	41,376	.....
Cigars (large), taxable.....do.....	507	651	639	r529	485	.....
METALS AND MANUFACTURES						
STEEL (RAW):						
PRODUCTION.....thous. sh. tons..	10,791	11,097	10,577	9,576	9,620	10,300
Index.....daily average 1957-59=100..	130.8	134.5	128.2	119.9	116.6	124.8
STEEL PRODUCTS, NET SHIPMENTS:						
Total (all grades).....thous. sh. tons..	7,179	7,788	7,247	7,029	6,221	.....
Plates.....do.....	758	797	667	660	574	.....
Bars and tool steel, total.....do.....	1,162	1,264	1,106	1,093	958	.....
Pipe and tubing.....do.....	859	864	897	908	736	.....
Tin mill products.....do.....	534	558	564	601	541	.....
Sheets and strip (incl. electrical), total.....do.....	2,613	2,952	2,737	2,590	2,377	.....
Sheets, cold rolled.....do.....	1,114	1,289	1,238	1,111	1,067	.....
Furnaces and ovens (indust.), dom. new orders, net.mil. \$..	15.8	15.5	9.7	14.1	10.9	14.3
Electric processing.....do.....	3.5	1.6	1.8	1.2	1.0	2.9
Fuel-fired (except for hot rolling steel).....do.....	7.6	9.3	4.0	8.4	7.1	7.4
TEXTILE PRODUCTS						
COTTON (exclusive of linters): <u>1</u> /						
Consumption.....thous. running bales..	622	769	733	889	562	721
Manufactures:						
Spindle activity (cotton system spindles):						
Active spindles, last working day, total.....millions..	19.3	19.5	19.7	19.6	19.8	20.0
Consuming 100 percent cotton.....do.....	14.8	15.1	15.0	14.8	14.9	14.9
Spindle hours operated, all fibers, total.....billions..						
Average per working day.....do.....	8.6	10.6	9.9	12.3	8.1	9.8
Consuming 100 percent cotton.....do.....	.430	.530	.496	.491	.403	.491
Consuming 100 percent cotton.....do.....	6.6	8.2	7.5	9.3	6.0	7.2
MANMADE FIBERS (RAYON AND ACETATE):						
Production:						
Filament yarn.....mil. lb..	67.6	69.7	58.4	55.7	52.0	.....
Staple, incl. tow (rayon).....do.....	55.4	59.7	45.2	49.2	37.2	.....
Stocks, producers', end of month:						
Filament yarn.....do.....	63.7	66.5	61.7	60.1	64.3	.....
Staple, incl. tow (rayon).....do.....	65.9	70.9	78.4	77.1	75.4	.....
TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT						
Aircraft (civilian):						
Shipments.....mil. \$..	148.6	161.7	262.0	r259.8	225.8	.....
Airframe weight.....thous. lb..	3,106	3,372	4,984	r4,803	4,138	.....
Truck trailers, shipments:						
Complete trailers and chassis.....number..	7,763	8,835	8,820	r7,483	6,515	.....
Vans.....do.....	5,206	6,232	5,376	r3,999	3,688
Trailer bodies, chassis, sold separately.....do.....	1,591	1,793	2,898	r2,227	2,867

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