

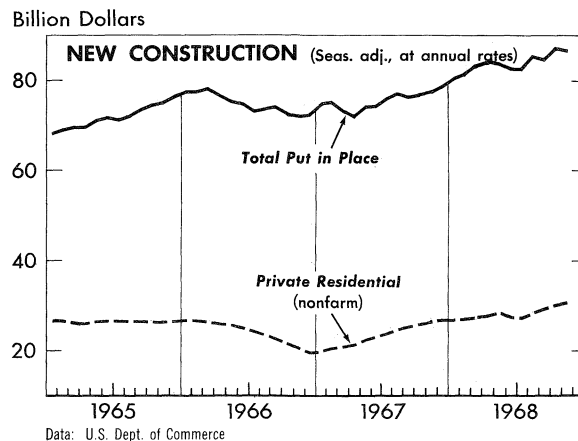
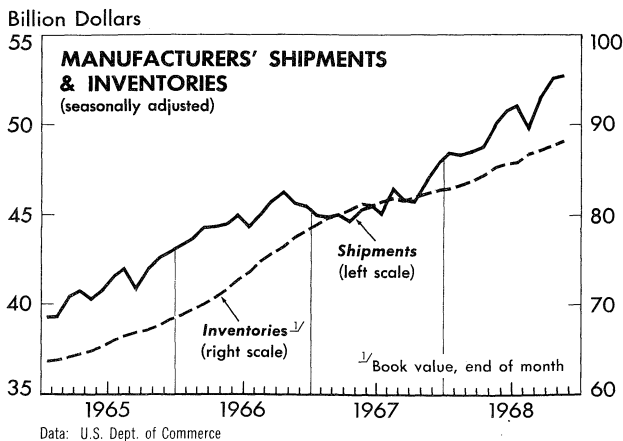
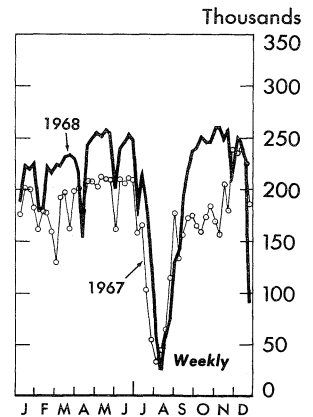
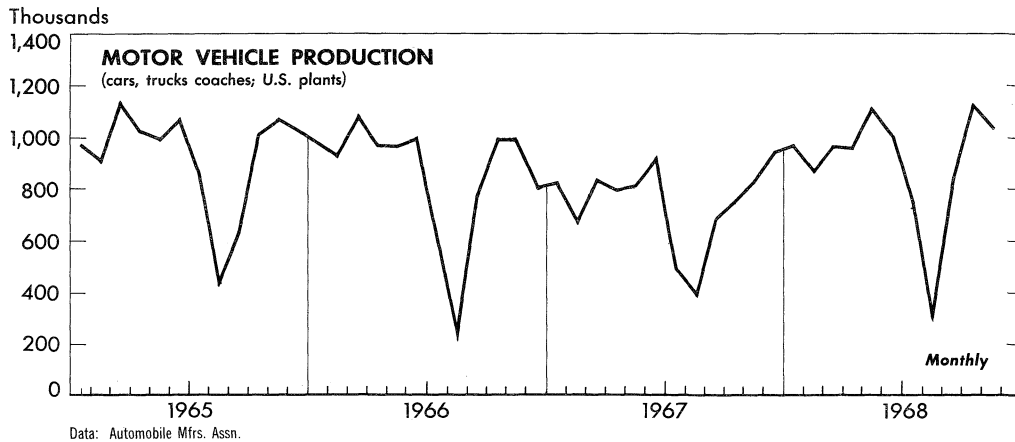
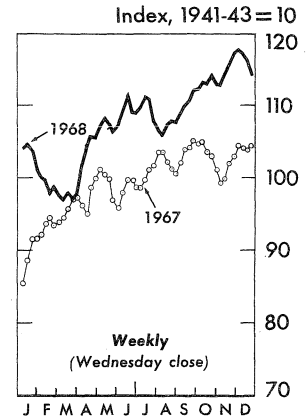
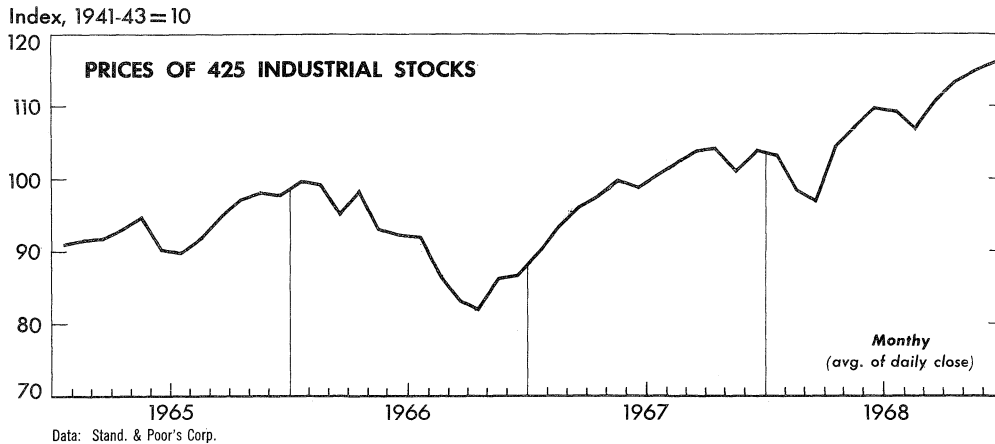
# BUSINESS STATISTICS



A WEEKLY SUPPLEMENT TO THE SURVEY OF CURRENT BUSINESS\*

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SELECTED BUSINESS INDICATORS



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## WEEKLY BUSINESS STATISTICS

ITEM	1967		1968			1969
	Dec. 30	Jan. 6	Dec. 14	Dec. 21	Dec. 28	Jan. 4
WHOLESALE PRICES, 22 COMMODITIES <u>2/</u> .....1957-59=100..	96.3	96.4	98.4	99.1	99.5	98.8
ALL RETAIL STORES, SALES.....mil. \$.	5,857	5,130	8,248	8,871	7,295	.....
Nondurable goods stores.....do.....	4,060	3,700	5,873	6,449	5,263	.....
INITIAL UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIMS, State programs.....thous..	333	358	233	243	334	.....
INSURED UNEMPLOYMENT, all programs.....do.....	1,570	1,712	1,153	1,159	.....	.....
State programs (50 States, D.C., and Puerto Rico).....do....	1,484	1,618	1,073	1,083	.....	.....
FAILURES, INDUST. AND COMMERCIAL (Dun & Bradstreet).....do....	168	171	158	122	85	82
FINANCE:						
Currency in circulation <u>3/</u> .....mil. \$.	47,293	47,233	50,383	50,616	50,803	50,945
Federal reserve bank credit outstanding, total <u>2/</u> .....do....	51,785	52,286	55,566	56,055	56,851	58,071
Member bank reserve balances <u>3/</u> .....do.....	25,687	26,448	26,441	27,054	27,195	28,263
Excess reserves, estimated <u>3/</u> .....do.....	442	653	24	332	387	830
Assets and liabilities of large commercial banks: <u>4/</u>						
Demand deposits, adjusted.....mil. \$.	79,580	81,848	81,871	82,002	83,406	.....
Savings deposits.....do.....	48,781	48,864	48,627	48,640	48,675	.....
Loans and investments (adjusted), total.....do.....	205,136	205,770	225,122	228,703	227,414	.....
U.S. Government obligations.....do.....	28,321	28,371	29,858	29,825	29,160	.....
Commercial and industrial loans (gross).....do.....	65,869	66,290	71,682	72,968	73,058	.....
Real estate loans (gross).....do.....	28,969	28,988	31,793	31,897	31,944	.....
Bond yields, domestic corporate (Moody's) <u>3/</u> .....percent..	6.53	6.54	6.76	6.82	6.88	6.91
Stock prices, 500 stocks (Stand. & Poor's) <u>4/</u> ...1941-43=100..	95.91	95.67	*107.39	*106.66	*105.04	*103.86
Industrials, 425 stocks.....do.....	104.49	104.09	*117.06	*116.23	*114.35	*113.02
PRODUCTION:						
Bituminous coal <u>3/</u> .....thous. sh. tons..	1,659	1,637	1,858	1,831	1,590	.....
Electric power, by utilities.....mil. kw.-hr..	23,624	24,967	27,385	27,764	25,718	.....
Motor vehicles (cars, trucks, buses).....number..	183,279	188,168	246,310	228,697	92,119	139,587
Petroleum (crude) and condensate <u>3/</u> .....thous. bbl..	8,996	9,194	9,005	8,949	8,936	.....
Steel, raw.....thous. sh. tons..	2,615	2,650	2,369	2,388	2,297	2,351
Index of production.....1957-59=100..	140.4	142.2	127.2	128.2	123.3	126.2
RAIL FREIGHT, REVENUE TON-MILES.....bil.....	10.4	11.0	14.4	13.6	.....	.....

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

## MONTHLY BUSINESS STATISTICS

ITEM	1967		1968			
	Oct.	Nov.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.
GENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORS						
MANUFACTURERS' SHIPMENTS:						
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED, TOTAL.....mil. \$.	46,694	46,799	47,967	52,950	r54,016	52,635
Durable goods industries, total <u>1/</u> .....do.....	24,958	25,455	24,692	28,404	r29,541	28,960
Stone, clay, and glass products.....do.....	1,311	1,226	1,403	1,449	r1,496	1,343
Primary metals.....do.....	3,742	3,798	3,536	3,912	r4,125	4,071
Fabricated metal products.....do.....	2,730	2,627	2,896	2,965	r3,079	2,885
Machinery, except electrical.....do.....	4,300	4,301	4,519	5,029	r5,094	4,988
Electrical machinery.....do.....	3,641	3,695	3,389	3,754	r3,681	3,678
Transportation equipment.....do.....	5,682	6,366	4,976	7,067	r7,835	7,952
Instruments and related products.....do.....	868	854	955	1,062	r1,025	1,039
Nondurable goods industries, total <u>1/</u> .....do.....	21,736	21,344	23,275	24,546	r24,475	23,675
Food and kindred products.....do.....	7,267	7,128	7,729	8,251	r8,115	8,063
Tobacco products.....do.....	388	403	438	423	412	419
Textile mill products.....do.....	1,827	1,758	1,819	1,981	1,956	1,865
Paper and allied products.....do.....	1,829	1,811	2,041	2,186	r2,174	2,058
Chemicals and allied products.....do.....	3,648	3,527	3,940	4,204	r4,109	3,945
Petroleum and coal products.....do.....	1,777	1,822	1,884	1,897	r1,905	1,888
Rubber and plastics products.....do.....	1,134	1,061	1,160	1,221	r1,321	1,178
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED, TOTAL.....do.....	45,748	46,955	49,825	51,441	r52,560	52,685
By industry group:						
Durable goods industries, total <u>1/</u> .....do.....	24,802	25,538	26,837	27,985	r28,960	28,917
Stone, clay, and glass products.....do.....	1,215	1,234	1,295	1,347	r1,390	1,351
Primary metals.....do.....	3,841	3,941	3,662	3,963	r4,220	4,201
Fabricated metal products.....do.....	2,661	2,671	2,799	2,859	r3,005	2,929
Machinery, except electrical.....do.....	4,388	4,493	4,853	5,075	r5,194	5,199
Electrical machinery.....do.....	3,469	3,569	3,503	3,545	r3,529	3,576
Transportation equipment.....do.....	5,826	6,170	6,906	7,227	r7,555	7,590
Instruments and related products.....do.....	833	841	969	999	r989	1,025

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ITEM	1967		1968			
	Oct.	Nov.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.
GENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORS—Con.						
MANUFACTURERS' SHIPMENTS (SEAS. ADJ.)—Con.						
By industry group—Con.						
Nondurable goods industries, total <u>1/</u> .....mil. \$..	20,946	21,417	22,988	23,456	r23,600	23,768
Food and kindred products.....do....	7,043	7,132	7,721	7,812	r7,869	8,070
Tobacco products.....do....	396	401	418	411	r421	417
Textile mill products.....do....	1,689	1,692	1,746	1,848	r1,805	1,787
Paper and allied products.....do....	1,775	1,822	2,016	2,117	r2,112	2,070
Chemicals and allied products.....do....	3,596	3,709	4,014	4,061	r4,061	4,163
Petroleum and coal products.....do....	1,766	1,831	1,869	1,884	r1,890	1,897
Rubber and plastics products.....do....	1,094	1,097	1,197	1,221	r1,276	1,215
INVENTORIES, END OF MONTH:						
Book value (unadjusted), total.....do....	81,329	81,899	86,247	86,409	r86,887	87,614
Durable goods industries, total.....do....	52,506	52,889	55,897	56,141	r56,265	56,667
Nondurable goods industries, total.....do....	28,823	29,010	30,350	30,268	r30,622	30,947
Book value (seasonally adjusted), total.....do....	81,968	82,389	86,713	87,109	r87,566	88,182
By industry group:						
Durable goods industries, total <u>1/</u> .....do....	52,867	53,283	56,069	56,458	r56,657	57,124
Stone, clay, and glass products.....do....	1,948	1,950	2,003	2,029	r2,064	2,136
Primary metals.....do....	7,582	7,616	7,433	7,502	r7,426	7,518
Fabricated metal products.....do....	5,454	5,467	6,102	6,121	r6,229	6,285
Machinery, except electrical.....do....	10,832	10,886	11,174	11,213	r11,147	11,229
Electrical machinery.....do....	8,167	8,186	8,448	8,502	r8,524	8,520
Transportation equipment.....do....	12,273	12,498	13,761	13,889	r13,891	13,990
Instruments and related products.....do....	1,988	1,997	2,061	2,067	r2,105	2,093
Nondurable goods industries, total <u>1/</u> .....do....	29,101	29,106	30,644	30,651	r30,909	31,058
Food and kindred products.....do....	7,047	7,026	7,434	7,423	r7,491	7,457
Tobacco products.....do....	2,221	2,243	2,259	2,219	r2,211	2,236
Textile mill products.....do....	3,183	3,172	3,474	3,477	3,470	3,454
Paper and allied products.....do....	2,212	2,220	2,327	2,331	r2,359	2,348
Chemicals and allied products.....do....	5,520	5,547	5,751	5,793	r5,871	5,882
Petroleum and coal products.....do....	1,944	1,941	2,066	2,083	r2,114	2,131
Rubber and plastics products.....do....	1,588	1,593	1,748	1,733	r1,731	1,861
NEW ORDERS, NET (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED), TOTAL.....do....						
Durable goods industries, total.....do....	47,248	46,311	48,449	53,605	r55,022	52,417
Nondurable goods industries, total.....do....	25,518	24,920	25,316	29,052	r30,536	28,775
NEW ORDERS, NET (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED), TOTAL.....do....	21,730	21,391	23,133	24,553	r24,486	23,642
By industry group:						
Durable goods industries, total <u>1/</u> .....do....	46,655	47,320	50,201	51,877	r53,931	53,384
Primary metals.....do....	25,679	25,852	27,329	28,381	r30,280	29,635
Fabricated metal products.....do....	3,848	4,094	3,491	4,092	r4,397	4,519
Machinery, except electrical.....do....	2,821	2,820	2,917	3,103	r3,271	3,324
Electrical machinery.....do....	4,355	4,497	4,766	5,184	r5,403	5,289
Transportation equipment.....do....	3,700	3,265	3,501	3,668	r3,751	3,520
Nondurable goods industries, total.....do....	6,312	6,481	7,479	6,996	r7,764	7,587
Industries with unfilled orders.....do....	20,976	21,468	22,872	23,496	r23,651	23,749
Industries without unfilled orders.....do....	5,645	5,772	5,953	6,434	r6,518	6,424
UNFILLED ORDERS, END OF MONTH (UNADJ.), TOTAL.....do....	15,331	15,696	16,919	17,062	r17,133	17,325
UNFILLED ORDERS, END OF MONTH (SEAS. ADJ.), TOTAL.....do....						
Durable goods industries, total.....do....	82,072	81,584	83,700	84,358	r85,357	85,143
Nondurable goods industries with unfilled orders.....do....	79,114	78,579	80,667	81,318	r82,307	82,123
UNFILLED ORDERS, END OF MONTH (SEAS. ADJ.), TOTAL.....do....	2,958	3,005	3,033	3,040	r3,050	3,020
By industry group:						
Durable goods industries, total <u>1/</u> .....do....	81,819	82,184	83,184	83,617	r84,991	85,684
Primary metals.....do....	78,818	79,132	80,177	80,572	r81,894	82,607
Fabricated metal products.....do....	6,580	6,733	5,533	5,662	r5,840	6,157
Machinery, except electrical.....do....	8,278	8,427	8,870	9,115	r9,381	9,776
Electrical machinery.....do....	14,636	14,640	14,321	14,430	r14,637	14,726
Transportation equipment.....do....	13,465	13,161	12,801	12,923	r13,148	13,092
Nondurable goods industries with unfilled orders.....do....	30,129	30,440	32,941	32,709	r32,918	32,914
UNFILLED ORDERS, END OF MONTH (SEAS. ADJ.), TOTAL.....do....	3,001	3,052	3,007	3,045	r3,097	3,077
INDUSTRIAL AND COMMERCIAL FAILURES (Dun & Bradstreet, Inc.):						
Failures, total.....number..	949	881	734	705	768	696
Commercial service.....do....	108	102	87	68	92	87
Construction.....do....	197	166	129	112	151	115
Manufacturing and mining.....do....	130	133	105	126	111	97
Retail trade.....do....	426	393	344	320	347	341
Wholesale trade.....do....	88	87	69	79	67	56
Liabilities (current), total.....thous. \$..	81,633	69,977	65,766	58,651	65,384	58,651
Commercial service.....do....	11,052	7,025	6,525	5,857	6,631	7,949
Construction.....do....	14,192	15,780	14,595	15,703	18,001	8,157
Manufacturing and mining.....do....	14,705	20,678	22,113	15,951	13,512	20,482
Retail trade.....do....	33,652	19,110	14,098	13,721	17,594	16,908
Wholesale trade.....do....	8,032	7,384	8,435	7,419	9,646	5,155
Failure annual rate (seas. adj.)...No. per 10,000 concerns..	47.4	42.2	36.5	40.3	37.5	35.7

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## MONTHLY BUSINESS STATISTICS—Continued

ITEM	1967		1968			
	Nov.	Dec.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
COMMODITY PRICES						
PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS, ALL FARM PRODUCTS.....1910-14=100..	251	253	267	262	262	262
Crops.....do.....	228	231	230	228	227	221
Commercial vegetables.....do.....	284	299	272	275	318	327
Cotton.....do.....	257	233	222	224	204	182
Feed grains and hay.....do.....	154	160	151	148	156	159
Food grains.....do.....	168	169	150	155	159	155
Fruit.....do.....	249	277	347	326	279	244
Tobacco.....do.....	557	551	577	570	570	584
Livestock and products.....do.....	270	272	299	291	292	296
Dairy products.....do.....	322	319	329	335	340	337
Meat animals.....do.....	317	318	352	340	337	343
Poultry and eggs.....do.....	123	130	165	148	154	162
PRICES PAID BY FARMERS:						
All commodities and services.....do.....	302	303	311	312	314	315
Family living items.....do.....	325	325	338	339	341	341
Production items.....do.....	286	287	292	292	294	296
All commod., services, int., taxes, and wage rates.....do.....	343	344	355	358	359	360
PARTY RATIO.....do.....	73	74	75	73	73	73
CONSTRUCTION AND REAL ESTATE						
NEW CONSTRUCTION PUT IN PLACE (UNADJ.), TOTAL.....mil. \$..	6,951	6,407	r7,953	r8,014	7,582	.....
Private, total.....do.....	4,763	4,441	r5,344	r5,423	5,207	.....
Residential (nonfarm).....do.....	2,340	2,191	r2,760	2,695	2,609	.....
New housing units.....do.....	1,857	1,742	r2,139	2,130	2,083	.....
Nonresidential buildings, total <u>1</u> /.....do.....	1,616	1,492	1,716	r1,808	1,729	.....
Industrial.....do.....	493	521	508	r538	554	.....
Commercial.....do.....	676	573	793	r844	769	.....
Public, total.....do.....	2,188	1,966	r2,609	r2,591	2,375	.....
NEW CONSTRUCTION PUT IN PLACE (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED AT ANNUAL RATES), TOTAL.....bil. \$..	79.6	81.2	r84.5	r87.2	86.7	.....
Private, total.....do.....	53.9	54.0	57.2	r59.5	58.9	.....
Residential (nonfarm).....do.....	27.2	27.6	29.1	30.0	30.4	.....
Nonresidential buildings, total <u>1</u> /.....do.....	17.8	17.4	18.6	r19.7	19.0	.....
Industrial.....do.....	5.7	5.8	5.5	6.1	6.4	.....
Commercial.....do.....	7.0	6.7	8.5	r8.9	8.0	.....
Public, total.....do.....	25.7	27.2	r27.3	r29.7	27.9	.....
CONSTRUCTION COST INDEXES:						
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE COMPOSITE.....1957-59=100..	127	127	134	134	134	.....

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