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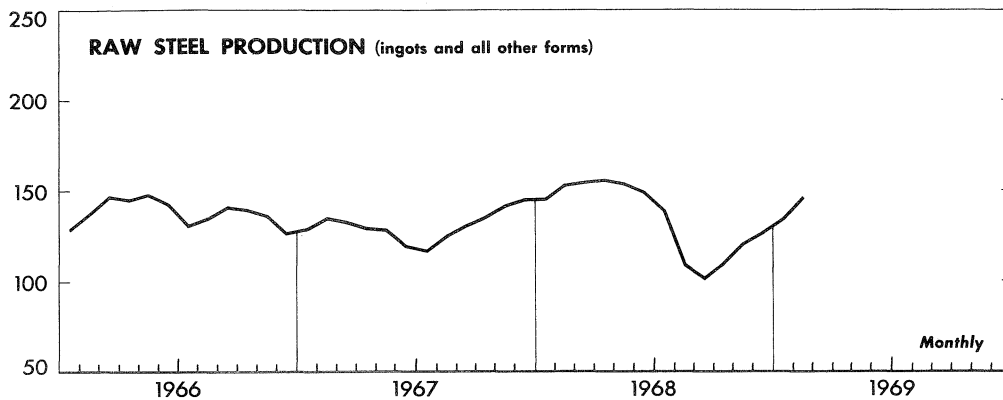


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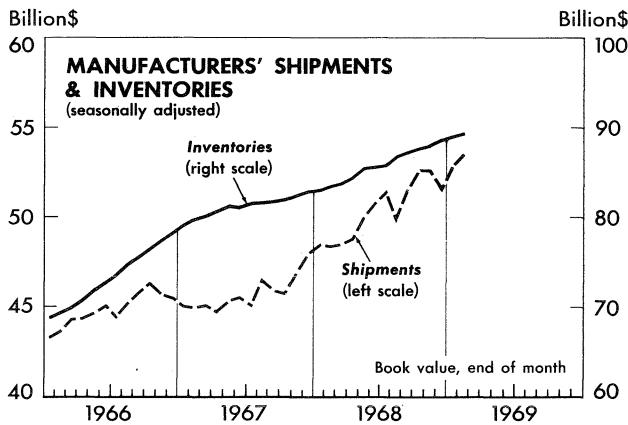
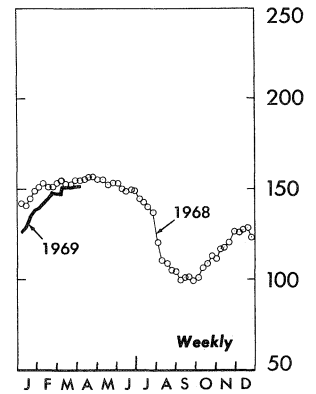
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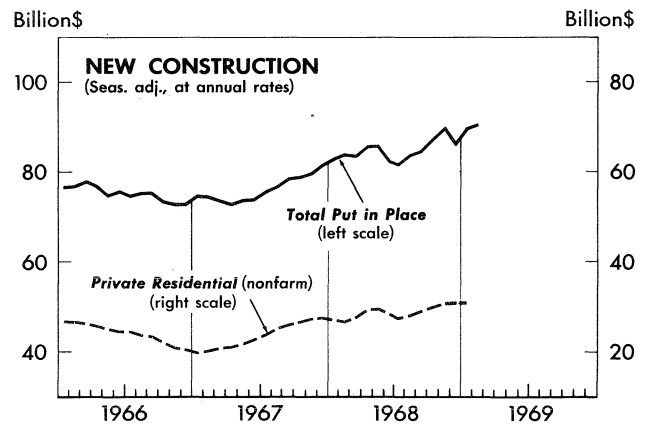


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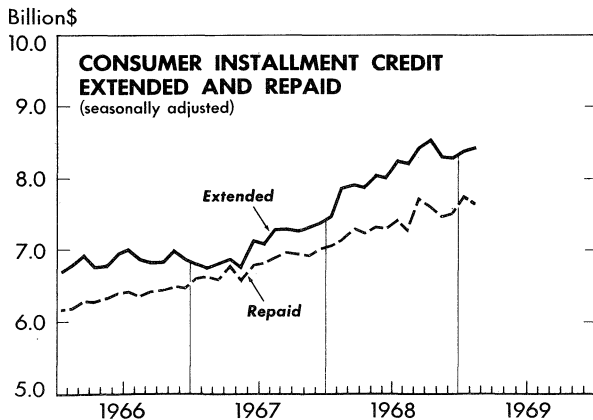
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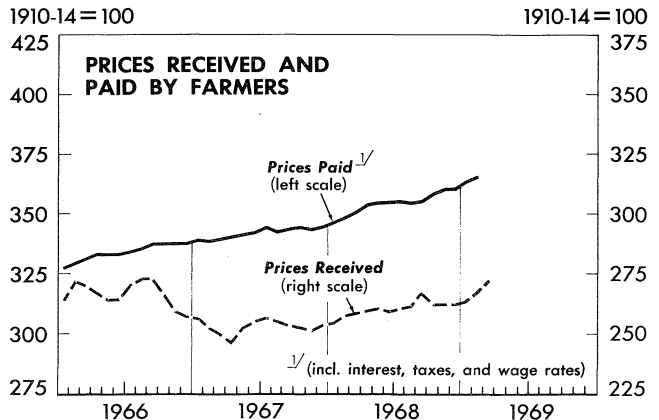
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ITEM	1968		1969			
	Mar. 30	Apr. 6	Mar. 15	Mar. 22	Mar. 29	Apr. 5
WHOLESALE PRICES, 22 COMMODITIES ^{2/}1957-59=100..	96.7	96.7	104.1	103.9	104.4	104.1
ALL RETAIL STORES, SALES.....mil. \$..	6,548	6,357	6,387	6,541	6,739	.....
Nondurable goods stores.....do....	4,197	4,375	4,348	4,407	4,481	.....
INITIAL UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIMS, State programs.....thous..	165	184	180	159	158	.....
INSURED UNEMPLOYMENT, all programs.....do....	1,370	1,277	1,430	1,368	.....	.....
State programs (50 States, D.C., and Puerto Rico).....do....	1,288	1,200	1,342	1,282	.....	.....
FAILURES, INDUST. AND COMMERCIAL (Dun & Bradstreet).....do....	245	246	196	227	189	168
FINANCE:						
Currency in circulation ^{3/}.....mil. \$..	46,153	46,363	49,459	49,554	49,471	49,526
Federal reserve bank credit outstanding, total ^{3/}.....do....	51,855	52,103	55,377	55,564	55,408	55,462
Member bank reserve balances ^{3/}.....do....	25,326	25,463	26,717	26,684	26,593	26,679
Excess reserves, estimated ^{3/}.....do....	161	331	-81	56	234	241
Assets and liabilities of large commercial banks: ^{4/}						
Demand deposits, adjusted.....mil. \$..	76,844	76,244	79,899	78,085	79,484	.....
Savings deposits.....do....	49,249	49,006	48,514	48,634	48,667	.....
Loans and investments (adjusted), total.....do....	203,849	203,550	221,658	222,047	221,295	.....
U.S. Government obligations.....do....	27,138	27,208	25,105	24,925	24,811	.....
Commercial and industrial loans (gross).....do....	66,463	67,013	74,520	75,076	75,073	.....
Real estate loans (gross).....do....	29,481	29,268	32,505	32,563	32,592	.....
Bond yields, domestic corporate (Moody's) ^{3/}.....percent..	6.49	6.44	7.04	7.18	7.23	7.23
Stock prices, 500 stocks (Stand. & Poor's) ^{4/} ..1941-43=10..	89.66	93.47	99.05	99.21	100.39	100.78
Industrials, 425 stocks.....do....	97.61	101.96	107.87	108.16	109.55	100.06
PRODUCTION:						
Bituminous coal ^{3/}.....thous. sh. tons..	1,973	1,833	1,611	1,899	1,865	.....
Electric power, by utilities.....mil. kw.-hr..	23,579	23,510	27,352	25,963	26,144	.....
Motor vehicles (cars, trucks, buses).....number..	231,357	216,889	220,590	222,984	226,621	188,611
Petroleum (crude) and condensate ^{3/}.....thous. bbl..	9,472	9,368	9,108	9,094	9,085	.....
Steel, raw.....thous. sh. tons..	2,885	2,885	2,800	2,807	2,826	2,828
Index of production.....1957-59=100..	154.9	154.9	150.3	150.3	151.7	151.8
RAIL FREIGHT, REVENUE TON-MILES	15.1	14.0	14.4	14.9	14.9	.....

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

MONTHLY BUSINESS STATISTICS

ITEM	1968				1969	
	Jan.	Feb.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.
GENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORS						
MANUFACTURERS' SHIPMENTS:						
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED, TOTAL.....mil. \$..	45,421	48,976	52,495	50,197	r49,452	54,120
Durable goods industries, total ^{1/}.....do....	25,137	27,070	28,831	27,651	r27,331	30,327
Stone, clay, and glass products.....do....	1,088	1,154	1,325	1,215	r1,198	1,299
Primary metals.....do....	3,872	4,189	4,051	3,910	r4,329	4,746
Fabricated metal products.....do....	2,586	2,770	2,852	2,685	r2,657	2,989
Machinery, except electrical.....do....	4,225	4,794	4,968	5,113	r4,745	5,538
Electrical machinery.....do....	3,303	3,601	3,692	3,593	r3,362	3,757
Transportation equipment.....do....	6,815	6,971	7,932	7,302	r7,192	7,715
Instruments and related products.....do....	815	864	1,043	1,041	r967	1,072
Nondurable goods industries, total ^{1/}.....do....	20,284	21,906	23,664	22,546	r22,121	23,793
Food and kindred products.....do....	6,716	7,084	7,997	7,732	r7,327	7,733
Tobacco products.....do....	359	386	420	414	376	398
Textile mill products.....do....	1,597	1,795	1,863	1,702	r1,626	1,741
Paper and allied products.....do....	1,795	1,917	2,077	2,020	r2,070	2,224
Chemicals and allied products.....do....	3,452	3,684	3,923	3,634	r3,749	4,004
Petroleum and coal products.....do....	1,733	1,815	1,910	1,912	r1,855	1,946
Rubber and plastics products.....do....	1,014	1,108	1,239	1,240	r1,227	1,365
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED, TOTAL	48,447	48,356	52,548	51,494	r52,801	53,488
By industry group:						
Durable goods industries, total ^{1/}.....do....	26,925	26,711	28,786	27,742	r29,325	29,955
Stone, clay, and glass products.....do....	1,285	1,303	1,334	1,352	r1,414	1,455
Primary metals.....do....	4,012	4,056	4,180	4,152	r4,508	4,590
Fabricated metal products.....do....	2,889	2,789	2,896	2,793	r2,961	3,012
Machinery, except electrical.....do....	4,639	4,647	5,185	5,009	r5,222	5,377
Electrical machinery.....do....	3,556	3,560	3,586	3,511	r3,620	3,715
Transportation equipment.....do....	6,903	6,703	7,568	6,845	r7,284	7,437
Instruments and related products.....do....	921	888	1,028	984	r1,089	1,101

r/ Revised. ^{1/} Includes data for "other industries" not shown.

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	Jan.	Feb.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.
GENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORS--Con.						
MANUFACTURERS' SHIPMENTS (SEAS. ADJ.)--Con.						
By industry group--Con.						
Nondurable goods industries, total <u>1</u> /.....mil. \$..	21,522	21,645	23,762	23,752	r23,476	23,533
Food and kindred products.....do.....	7,036	7,066	8,003	7,930	r7,669	7,715
Tobacco products.....do.....	396	402	418	420	414	414
Textile mill products.....do.....	1,750	1,780	1,788	1,804	r1,790	1,729
Paper and allied products.....do.....	1,884	1,900	2,089	2,109	r2,172	2,204
Chemicals and allied products.....do.....	3,611	3,664	4,139	4,065	r3,935	3,989
Petroleum and coal products.....do.....	1,762	1,808	1,919	1,925	r1,894	1,945
Rubber and plastics products.....do.....	1,075	1,095	1,279	1,286	r1,301	1,348
INVENTORIES, END OF MONTH:						
Book value (unadjusted), total.....do.....	83,200	84,012	87,382	88,239	r89,179	89,934
Durable goods industries, total.....do.....	53,465	54,285	56,497	57,034	r57,789	58,384
Nondurable goods industries, total.....do.....	29,735	29,727	30,885	31,205	r31,390	31,550
Book value (seasonally adjusted), total.....do.....	82,890	83,408	87,947	88,579	r88,905	89,335
By industry group:						
Durable goods industries, total <u>1</u> /.....do.....	53,525	54,009	56,953	57,422	r57,879	58,105
Stone, clay, and glass products.....do.....	1,952	1,949	2,153	2,219	r2,289	2,341
Primary metals.....do.....	7,660	7,674	7,504	7,552	r7,528	7,492
Fabricated metal products.....do.....	5,464	5,542	6,229	6,287	r6,289	6,114
Machinery, except electrical.....do.....	10,784	10,808	11,222	11,310	r11,528	11,712
Electrical machinery.....do.....	8,180	8,224	8,528	8,560	r8,551	8,582
Transportation equipment.....do.....	12,717	12,975	13,844	13,939	r14,076	14,231
Instruments and related products.....do.....	2,007	2,034	2,122	2,183	r2,240	2,288
Nondurable goods industries, total <u>1</u> /.....do.....	29,365	29,399	30,994	31,157	r31,026	31,230
Food and kindred products.....do.....	7,122	7,128	7,417	7,370	r7,264	7,264
Tobacco products.....do.....	2,292	2,263	2,231	2,261	r2,219	2,212
Textile mill products.....do.....	3,297	3,338	3,425	3,539	r3,507	3,522
Paper and allied products.....do.....	2,202	2,234	2,351	2,384	r2,403	2,413
Chemicals and allied products.....do.....	5,576	5,574	5,882	5,937	r5,977	6,081
Petroleum and coal products.....do.....	1,978	1,956	2,136	2,118	r2,068	2,076
Rubber and plastics products.....do.....	1,596	1,611	1,833	1,801	r1,811	1,828
NEW ORDERS, NET (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED), TOTAL.....do.....						
Durable goods industries, total.....do.....	46,227	49,538	52,136	51,134	r50,638	54,996
Nondurable goods industries, total.....do.....	25,930	27,593	28,471	28,650	r28,531	31,121
NEW ORDERS, NET (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED), TOTAL.....do.....						
Durable goods industries, total <u>1</u> /.....do.....	28,353	48,453	53,100	53,101	r53,119	54,051
Primary metals.....do.....	26,837	26,814	29,325	29,380	r29,684	30,484
Fabricated metal products.....do.....	4,424	4,364	4,475	4,345	r4,675	4,678
Machinery, except electrical.....do.....	2,798	2,719	3,225	3,195	r2,755	2,809
Electrical machinery.....do.....	4,591	4,514	5,134	5,210	r5,350	5,465
Transportation equipment.....do.....	3,261	3,642	3,505	3,656	r3,581	3,777
Nondurable goods industries, total.....do.....	6,919	6,662	7,589	7,578	r7,487	7,931
Nondurable goods industries, total.....do.....	21,516	21,639	23,775	23,721	r23,435	23,567
Industries with unfilled orders.....do.....	5,930	5,979	6,447	6,451	r6,494	6,523
Industries without unfilled orders.....do.....	15,586	15,660	17,328	17,270	r16,941	17,044
UNFILLED ORDERS, END OF MONTH (UNADJ.), TOTAL.....do.....						
Durable goods industries, total.....do.....	83,305	83,867	85,003	85,938	r87,126	88,007
Nondurable goods industries with unfilled orders.....do.....	80,273	80,796	81,951	82,946	r84,150	84,948
UNFILLED ORDERS, END OF MONTH (SEAS. ADJ.), TOTAL.....do.....						
Durable goods industries, total.....do.....	3,032	3,071	3,052	2,992	r2,976	3,059
By industry group:						
Durable goods industries, total <u>1</u> /.....do.....	83,592	83,689	85,539	87,152	r87,469	88,035
Primary metals.....do.....	80,490	80,593	82,429	84,071	r84,431	84,962
Fabricated metal products.....do.....	7,431	7,739	6,133	6,327	r6,494	6,583
Machinery, except electrical.....do.....	8,885	8,815	9,711	10,114	r9,908	9,704
Electrical machinery.....do.....	14,503	14,397	14,589	14,790	r14,919	15,008
Transportation equipment.....do.....	12,940	13,022	13,065	13,210	r13,170	13,232
Nondurable goods industries with unfilled orders.....do.....	31,047	31,006	32,936	33,670	r33,873	34,367
Nondurable goods industries with unfilled orders.....do.....	3,102	3,096	3,110	3,081	r3,038	3,073
CONSTRUCTION AND REAL ESTATE						
NEW CONSTRUCTION PUT IN PLACE (UNADJ.). TOTAL.....mil. \$..						
Private, total.....do.....	5,605	5,219	7,827	r6,822	r6,059	5,633
Residential (nonfarm).....do.....	3,819	3,586	5,260	r4,855	r4,320	4,019
New housing units.....do.....	1,859	1,655	2,628	r2,454	r2,128	1,912
Nonresidential buildings, total <u>2</u> /.....do.....	1,465	1,305	2,102	r1,996	r1,720	1,554
Industrial.....do.....	1,342	1,323	1,752	1,583	r1,519	1,473
Commercial.....do.....	431	397	543	529	r463	459
Public, total.....do.....	525	542	798	692	r678	629
Public, total.....do.....	1,786	1,633	2,567	r1,967	r1,739	1,614
NEW CONSTRUCTION PUT IN PLACE (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED AT ANNUAL RATES), TOTAL.....bil. \$..						
Private, total.....do.....	82.9	83.9	89.6	r85.9	r89.6	90.4
Residential (nonfarm).....do.....	55.3	55.4	59.4	r58.9	r62.6	62.3
Nonresidential buildings, total <u>2</u> /.....do.....	27.0	26.8	30.6	r30.9	r30.9	30.9
Industrial.....do.....	19.3	19.5	19.2	18.4	r21.9	21.7
Commercial.....do.....	6.3	5.7	6.3	5.9	r6.8	6.6
Public, total.....do.....	7.7	8.3	8.3	8.0	r10.0	9.7
Public, total.....do.....	27.6	28.5	30.1	r27.0	r26.9	28.1
CONSTRUCTION COST INDEXES:						
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE COMPOSITE.....1957-59=100..	127	128	135	r136	138	139

r/ Revised. 1/ Includes data for "other industries" not shown. 2/ Excludes farm and public utilities.

ITEM	1968			1969		
	Feb.	Mar.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.
FINANCE						
CONSUMER CREDIT (SHORT- AND INTERMEDIATE-TERM):						
Total outstanding, end of month.....mil. \$..	100,771	100,981	113,191	112,117	111,569	.....
Installment credit, total.....do....	80,233	80,474	89,890	89,492	89,380	.....
Installment credit, extended and repaid:						
Unadjusted:						
Extended, total.....do....	6,716	7,501	9,568	7,557	6,971	.....
Repaid, total.....do....	6,862	7,260	7,631	7,955	7,083	.....
Seasonally adjusted:						
Extended, total.....do....	7,847	7,903	8,277	8,371	8,414	.....
Repaid, total.....do....	7,111	7,281	7,502	7,730	7,616	.....
SECURITY MARKETS:						
BONDS:						
Sales, excl. U.S. Govt. bonds (SEC):						
All registered exchanges:						
Market value.....do....	402.93	434.68	586.72	498.22	399.88	.....
Face value.....do....	392.36	432.90	555.81	517.50	409.00	.....
New York Stock Exchange:						
Market value.....do....	339.82	356.71	448.22	389.95	303.99	.....
Face value.....do....	341.27	367.88	456.37	409.21	319.45	.....
STOCKS:						
Prices:						
Dow-Jones averages (65 stocks).....	299.84	292.86	347.57	337.64	337.85	322.11
Industrial (30 stocks).....	847.20	834.76	968.39	934.99	931.29	916.52
Public utility (15 stocks).....	128.87	123.66	138.26	135.62	136.89	130.90
Railroads (20 stocks).....	224.63	217.94	275.36	268.78	269.75	245.26
New York Stock Exchange common stock indexes:						
Composite.....12/31/65=50..	50.68	49.48	60.32	57.82	57.33	55.69
Industrial.....do....	52.63	51.54	63.21	60.32	59.61	58.30
Transportation.....do....	45.15	43.29	57.30	56.35	56.18	51.52
Utility.....do....	43.36	41.78	46.73	45.64	45.98	44.06
Finance.....do....	53.88	52.98	79.00	75.58	75.26	70.60
Sales (Securities and Exchange Commission):						
Total on all registered exchanges:						
Market value.....mil. \$..	12,008	12,632	18,864	17,957	15,085	.....
Shares sold.....millions..	321	336	508	515	407	.....
On New York Stock Exchange:						
Market value.....mil. \$..	8,909	9,672	13,844	13,056	11,007
Shares sold.....millions..	205	221	314	305	247

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