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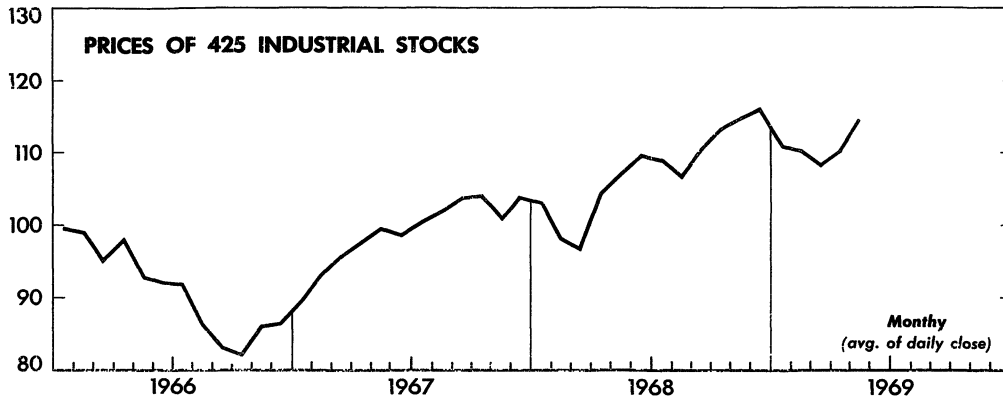


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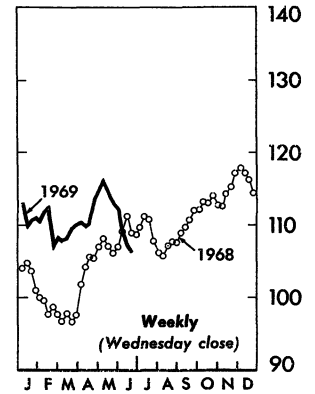
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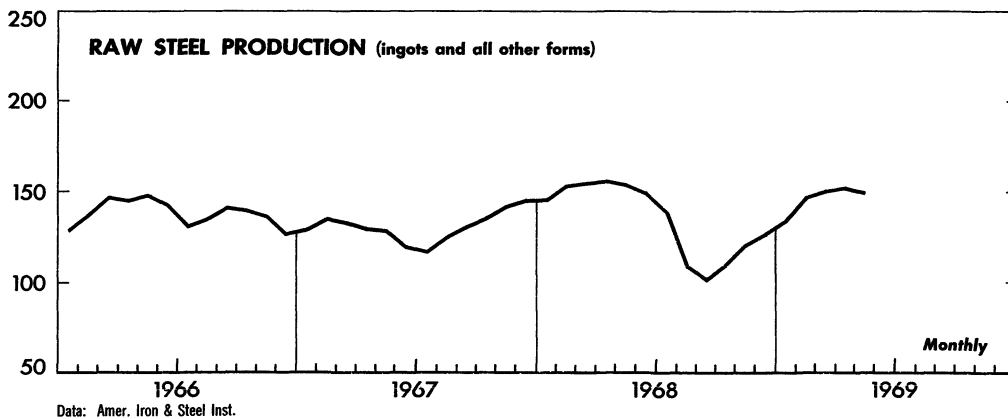
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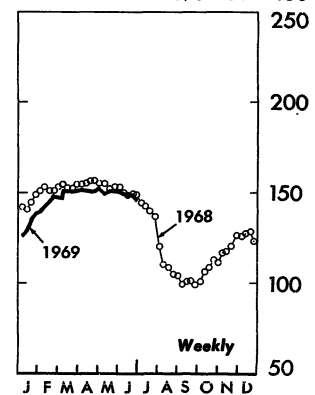
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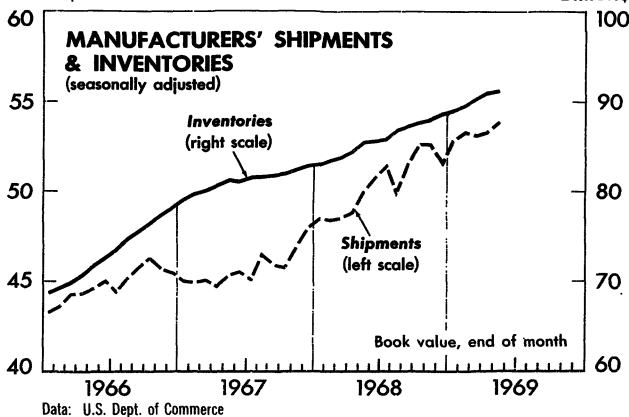
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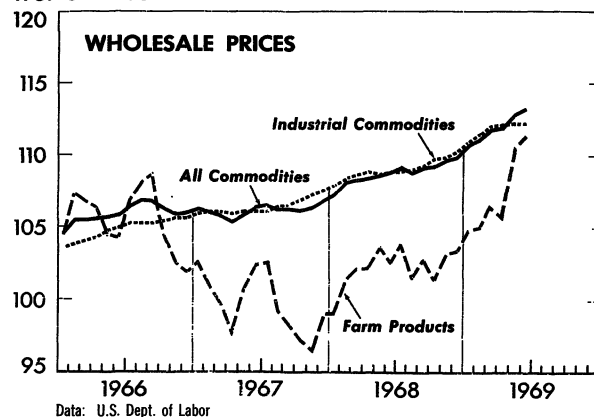


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ITEM	1968		1969			
	June 22	June 29	June 7	June 14	June 21	June 28
WHOLESALE PRICES, 22 COMMODITIES ^{2/}1957-59=100..	94.0	94.3	109.1	109.1	109.2	109.1
ALL RETAIL STORES, SALES.....mil. \$..	6,750	7,022	6,845	7,012	6,746	.....
Nondurable goods stores.....do.....	4,385	4,431	4,640	4,644	4,430	.....
INITIAL UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIMS, State programs.....thous..	152	174	149	146	155	.....
INSURED UNEMPLOYMENT, all programs.....do.....	931	917	909	905	.....	.....
State programs (50 States, D.C., and Puerto Rico).....do.....	872	857	849	844	.....	.....
FAILURES, INDUST. AND COMMERCIAL (Dun & Bradstreet).....do.....	191	145	163	226	174	182
FINANCE:						
Currency in circulation ^{3/}.....mil. \$..	47,574	47,484	50,436	50,666	50,777	50,686
Federal Reserve bank credit outstanding, total ^{3/}.....do.....	55,956	56,444	60,159	60,352	60,497	60,535
Member bank reserve balances ^{3/}.....do.....	25,597	26,217	27,576	27,407	27,014	26,928
Excess reserves, estimated ^{3/}.....do.....	-176	-276	298	-298	75	151
Assets and liabilities of large commercial banks: ^{4/}						
Demand deposits adjusted.....mil. \$..	76,489	77,927	77,024	78,852	76,151	.....
Savings deposits.....do.....	48,608	48,657	47,687	47,594	47,560	.....
Loans and investments (adjusted), total.....do.....	209,268	207,910	224,963	225,609	228,627	.....
U.S. Government obligations.....do.....	19,731	25,532	23,191	23,038	23,133	.....
Commercial and industrial loans (gross).....do.....	66,867	69,240	76,983	77,474	78,429	.....
Real estate loans (gross).....do.....	30,332	30,199	33,039	33,147	33,219	.....
Bond yields, domestic corporate (Moody's) ^{3/}.....percent..	6.63	6.61	7.19	7.24	7.31	7.33
Stock prices, 500 stocks (Stand. & Poor's) ^{4/}.....1941-43=10..	*99.99	*100.08	120.59	99.55	97.81	97.01
Industrials, 425 stocks.....do.....	*109.01	*108.80	112.34	109.01	107.17	106.28
PRODUCTION:						
Bituminous coal ^{3/}.....thous. sh. tons..	1,944	2,104	1,909	1,643	1,639	.....
Electric power, by utilities.....mil. kw.-hr..	25,632	26,114	26,592	27,928	27,458	.....
Motor vehicles (cars, trucks, buses).....number..	254,623	249,061	224,125	224,623	229,884	227,500
Petroleum (crude) and condensate ^{3/}thous. bbl..	9,146	9,187	9,487	9,537	9,523
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Steel, raw.....thous. sh. tons..	2,790	2,785	2,776	2,771	2,769	145.7
Index of production.....1957-59=100..	149.8	149.5	149.0	148.7	148.6
RAIL FREIGHT, REVENUE TON-MILES.....bil..	15.5	14.3	15.2	15.3	15.0	.....

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

MONTHLY BUSINESS STATISTICS

ITEM	1968		1969			
	Apr.	May	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May
GENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORS						
MANUFACTURERS' SHIPMENTS:						
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED, TOTAL.....mil. \$..	50,068	50,596	53,933	55,254	r54,693	54,525
Durable goods industries, total ^{1/}.....do.....	27,834	28,283	30,287	31,054	r30,654	30,425
Stone, clay, and glass products.....do.....	1,348	1,373	1,295	1,387	r1,438	1,440
Primary metals.....do.....	4,584	4,663	4,741	4,884	r4,893	4,874
Fabricated metal products.....do.....	2,865	2,900	3,009	2,994	r3,109	3,047
Machinery, except electrical.....do.....	4,930	4,808	5,513	5,720	r5,559	5,454
Electrical machinery.....do.....	3,403	3,361	3,728	3,867	r3,686	3,680
Transportation equipment.....do.....	6,993	7,410	7,741	7,814	r7,654	7,631
Instruments and related products.....do.....	880	909	1,056	1,101	r1,068	1,087
Nondurable goods industries, total ^{1/}.....do.....	22,234	22,313	23,646	24,200	r24,039	24,100
Food and kindred products.....do.....	7,014	7,233	7,644	7,825	r7,662	7,869
Tobacco products.....do.....	387	421	399	404	r414	443
Textile mill products.....do.....	1,736	1,765	1,752	1,830	r1,756	1,727
Paper and allied products.....do.....	1,981	2,014	2,219	2,259	r2,256	2,250
Chemicals and allied products.....do.....	4,019	3,969	3,995	4,106	r4,254	4,250
Petroleum and coal products.....do.....	1,787	1,811	1,949	1,930	1,971	2,055
Rubber and plastics products.....do.....	1,232	1,245	1,344	1,387	r1,413	1,369
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED, TOTAL.....do.....	48,755	50,014	53,302	53,078	r53,298	53,864
By industry group:						
Durable goods industries, total ^{1/}.....do.....	26,888	27,509	29,914	29,530	r29,643	29,607
Stone, clay, and glass products.....do.....	1,330	1,329	1,454	1,441	r1,422	1,393
Primary metals.....do.....	4,263	4,423	4,585	4,578	r4,571	4,634
Fabricated metal products.....do.....	2,814	2,841	3,031	2,940	r3,061	2,984
Machinery, except electrical.....do.....	4,685	4,657	5,352	5,319	r5,276	5,282
Electrical machinery.....do.....	3,473	3,475	3,685	3,725	r3,737	3,771
Transportation equipment.....do.....	6,689	7,020	7,463	7,273	r7,346	7,253
Instruments and related products.....do.....	892	923	1,083	1,078	r1,084	1,105

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

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ITEM	1968		1969			
	Apr.	May	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May
GENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORS—Con.						
MANUFACTURERS' SHIPMENTS (SEAS. ADJ.)—Con.						
By industry group—Con.						
Nondurable goods industries, total 1/.....mil. \$..	21,867	22,505	23,388	23,548	r23,655	24,257
Food and kindred products.....do....	7,095	7,267	7,624	7,778	r7,755	7,907
Tobacco products.....do....	394	421	415	411	421	444
Textile mill products.....do....	1,741	1,804	1,740	1,784	r1,758	1,762
Paper and allied products.....do....	1,952	2,023	2,201	2,186	r2,226	2,262
Chemicals and allied products.....do....	3,697	3,811	3,980	3,892	r3,913	4,065
Petroleum and coal products.....do....	1,803	1,824	1,949	1,971	1,988	2,068
Rubber and plastics products.....do....	1,161	1,204	1,328	1,327	r1,333	1,324
INVENTORIES, END OF MONTH:						
Book value (unadjusted), total.....do....	85,069	85,828	90,158	90,885	r91,779	92,662
Durable goods industries, total.....do....	55,208	55,731	58,568	59,293	r59,973	60,752
Nondurable goods industries, total.....do....	29,861	30,097	31,590	31,592	r31,806	31,910
Book value (seasonally adjusted), total.....do....	84,382	85,278	89,556	90,317	r91,018	91,998
By industry group:						
Durable goods industries, total 1/.....do....	54,724	55,234	58,282	58,978	r59,426	60,169
Stone, clay, and glass products.....do....	1,927	1,940	2,372	2,361	r2,391	2,388
Primary metals.....do....	7,724	7,657	7,554	7,627	r7,682	7,771
Fabricated metal products.....do....	5,691	5,823	6,129	6,220	r6,267	6,276
Machinery, except electrical.....do....	10,954	11,061	11,738	11,837	r11,946	12,104
Electrical machinery.....do....	8,291	8,400	8,592	8,735	r8,762	8,973
Transportation equipment.....do....	13,263	13,430	14,186	14,350	r14,482	14,664
Instruments and related products.....do....	2,033	2,025	2,275	2,319	r2,345	2,342
Nondurable goods industries, total 1/.....do....	29,658	30,044	31,274	31,339	r31,592	31,829
Food and kindred products.....do....	7,081	7,226	7,248	7,215	r7,293	7,364
Tobacco products.....do....	2,251	2,261	2,203	2,226	2,203	2,211
Textile mill products.....do....	3,393	3,406	3,534	3,548	r3,581	3,564
Paper and allied products.....do....	2,261	2,284	2,419	2,420	r2,439	2,460
Chemicals and allied products.....do....	5,651	5,698	6,088	6,177	r6,255	6,330
Petroleum and coal products.....do....	1,955	1,981	2,076	2,069	r2,061	2,072
Rubber and plastics products.....do....	1,668	1,674	1,831	1,799	r1,811	1,831
NEW ORDERS, NET (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED), TOTAL.....do....	50,453	49,511	54,850	55,696	r56,010	54,207
Durable goods industries, total.....do....	28,172	27,179	31,125	31,449	r31,896	30,111
Nondurable goods industries, total.....do....	22,281	22,332	23,725	24,247	r24,114	24,096
NEW ORDERS, NET (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED), TOTAL.....do....	49,237	49,650	53,901	53,283	r54,635	54,144
By industry group:						
Durable goods industries, total 1/.....do....	27,373	27,172	30,482	29,697	r30,944	29,933
Primary metals.....do....	4,244	3,900	4,666	4,614	r4,806	4,775
Fabricated metal products.....do....	2,819	2,941	2,841	2,980	r3,158	3,129
Machinery, except electrical.....do....	4,658	4,665	5,626	5,538	r5,650	5,599
Electrical machinery.....do....	3,366	3,313	3,767	3,746	r3,928	3,708
Transportation equipment.....do....	7,326	7,343	7,842	7,107	r7,695	7,106
Nondurable goods industries, total.....do....	21,864	22,478	23,419	23,586	r23,691	24,211
Industries with unfilled orders.....do....	6,041	6,134	6,504	6,568	r6,637	6,677
Industries without unfilled orders.....do....	15,823	16,344	16,915	17,018	r17,054	17,534
UNFILLED ORDERS, END OF MONTH (UNADJ.), TOTAL.....do....	85,640	84,555	88,041	88,480	r89,796	89,481
Durable goods industries, total.....do....	82,550	81,446	84,988	85,380	r86,621	86,310
Nondurable goods industries with unfilled orders.....do....	3,090	3,109	3,053	3,100	r3,175	3,171
UNFILLED ORDERS, END OF MONTH (SEAS. ADJ.), TOTAL.....do....	85,291	84,927	88,064	88,267	r89,603	89,882
By industry group:						
Durable goods industries, total 1/.....do....	82,239	81,902	84,994	85,159	r86,461	86,788
Primary metals.....do....	7,845	7,322	6,575	6,611	r6,848	6,988
Fabricated metal products.....do....	8,782	8,882	9,716	9,756	r9,854	10,000
Machinery, except electrical.....do....	14,156	14,164	15,193	15,410	r15,783	16,100
Electrical machinery.....do....	12,867	12,705	13,251	13,272	r13,461	13,398
Transportation equipment.....do....	32,986	33,309	34,251	34,086	r34,436	34,289
Nondurable goods industries with unfilled orders.....do....	3,052	3,025	3,070	3,108	r3,142	3,094
CONSTRUCTION AND REAL ESTATE						
CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS IN 48 STATES (F.W. Dodge Co.):						
TOTAL VALUATION.....mil. \$..	4,878	6,170	4,802	5,003	5,895	7,081
Index (seasonally adjusted).....1957-59=100..	146	172	205	177	183	210
Building, total.....mil. \$..	3,834	4,770	3,705	3,729	4,682	5,301
FINANCE						
LIFE INSURANCE:						
Life Insurance Agency Management Association:						
Insurance written (new paid-for insurance):						
Value, estimated total.....mil. \$..	11,651	12,342	11,149	13,360	13,947	12,436
Ordinary (incl. mass-marketed ord.).....do....	8,870	9,214	8,439	9,798	9,632	9,602
Group.....do....	2,220	2,521	2,191	2,971	3,770	2,240
Industrial.....do....	561	607	519	591	545	594
FOREIGN TRADE						
EXPORTS (MDSE.), INCL. REEXPORTS, TOTAL.....mil. \$..	3,000.4	2,986.2	2,179.1	3,418.0	3,565.9	3,594.8
Excl. Department of Defense shipments.....do....	2,961.2	2,962.4	2,144.7	3,366.7	3,506.9	3,543.3
Seasonally adjusted.....do....	2,855.8	2,741.6	2,296.7	3,196.0	3,354.7	3,291.8
GENERAL IMPORTS, TOTAL.....do....	2,754.3	2,840.7	2,401.4	2,993.0	3,334.3	3,236.5
Seasonally adjusted.....do....	2,603.9	2,754.8	2,655.3	2,980.7	3,177.2	3,276.1

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MONTHLY BUSINESS STATISTICS—Continued

ITEM	1968		1969			
	May	June	Mar.	Apr.	May	June
COMMODITY PRICES						
PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS, ALL FARM PRODUCTS.....1910-14=100..	260	260	271	271	282	284
Crops.....do.....	236	231	228	227	237	231
Commercial vegetables.....do.....	307	287	324	326	406	310
Cotton.....do.....	183	179	173	174	170	180
Feed grains and hay.....do.....	166	163	164	167	173	173
Food grains.....do.....	167	156	156	156	157	151
Fruit.....do.....	321	316	285	259	269	298
Tobacco.....do.....	563	563	583	585	585	585
Livestock and products.....do.....	281	286	308	309	321	329
Dairy products.....do.....	305	299	323	318	314	310
Meat animals.....do.....	349	355	375	385	419	437
Poultry and eggs.....do.....	124	135	160	150	134	139
PRICES PAID BY FARMERS:						
All commodities and services.....do.....	311	311	321	322	325	326
Family living items.....do.....	335	335	347	349	351	351
Production items.....do.....	293	293	302	303	306	307
All commod., services, int., taxes, and wage rates.....do.....	354	355	369	372	374	375
PARITY RATIO.....do.....	73	73	73	73	75	76
WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX:						
All commodities.....1957-59=100..	108.5	108.7	111.7	111.9	112.8	p113.2
Farm products.....do.....	103.6	102.5	106.5	105.6	110.5	p111.3
Processed foods and feeds.....do.....	113.6	114.6	116.4	117.3	119.4	p121.2
Industrial commodities.....do.....	108.6	108.8	112.0	112.1	112.2	p112.2
PURCHASING POWER OF THE DOLLAR AS MEASURED BY---						
Wholesale prices.....1957-59=\$1.00..	\$0.922	\$0.920	\$0.895	\$0.894	r\$0.887	p\$0.883
METALS AND MANUFACTURES						
MACHINE TOOLS:						
Metal cutting type tools:						
Orders, new (net), total.....mil. \$..	93.30	97.75	115.90	r182.35	113.45	.....
Domestic.....do.....	86.15	81.85	100.85	r173.60	99.10	.....
Shipments, total.....do.....	121.30	127.60	105.30	r101.10	98.90	.....
Domestic.....do.....	109.60	114.90	94.70	r91.95	89.20	.....
Order backlog, end of month.....do.....	942.6	912.8	820.4	r901.6	916.2	.....
Metal forming type tools:						
Orders, new (net), total.....do.....	22.50	28.80	45.75	r90.20	54.60	.....
Domestic.....do.....	18.15	25.70	40.70	r86.95	52.95	.....
Shipments, total.....do.....	29.10	34.30	33.55	r29.05	31.60	.....
Domestic.....do.....	25.50	28.55	30.85	r25.70	29.35
Order backlog, end of month.....do.....	188.7	183.2	287.6	r348.7	371.7

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