

BUSINESS STATISTICS



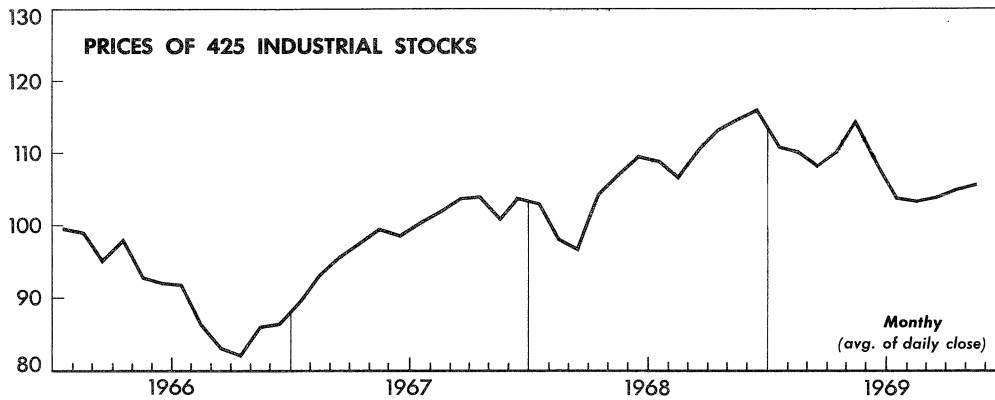
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A WEEKLY SUPPLEMENT TO THE SURVEY OF CURRENT BUSINESS*

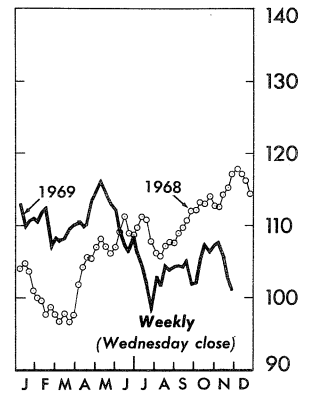
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SELECTED BUSINESS INDICATORS

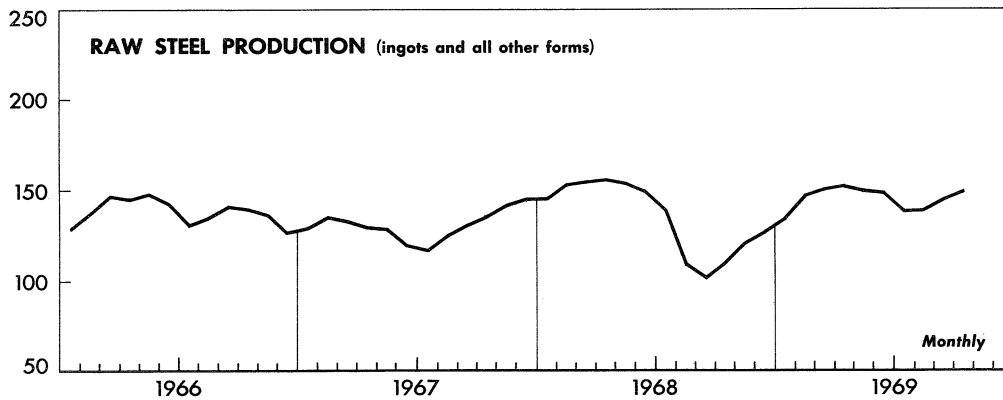
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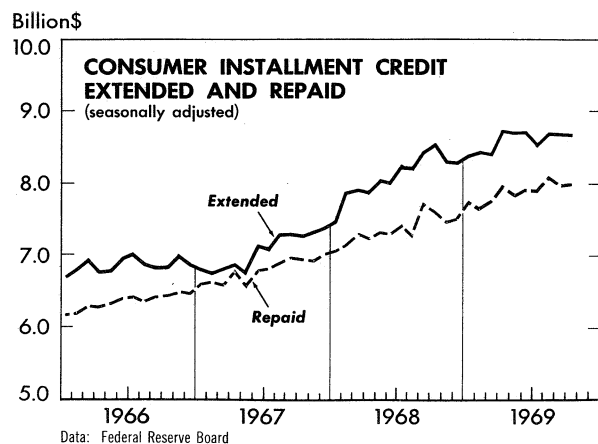
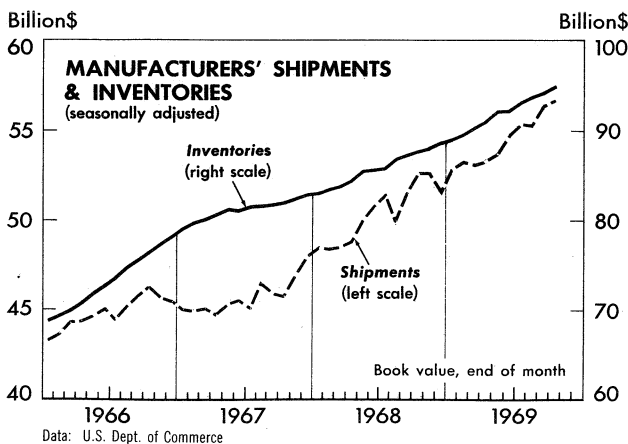
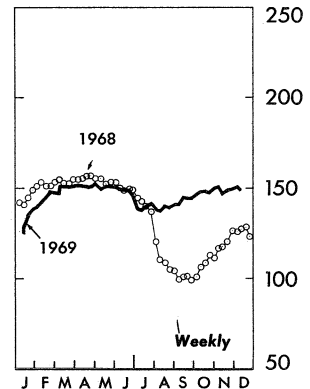
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ITEM	1968		1969			
	Nov. 30	Dec. 7	Nov. 15	Nov. 22	Nov. 29	Dec. 6
WHOLESALE PRICES, 22 COMMODITIES ^{2/}1957-59=100..	97.9	97.9	*112.1	112.2	111.6	112.1
ALL RETAIL STORES, SALES.....mil. \$..	6,988	7,631	6,965	7,065	7,126	.....
Nondurable goods stores.....do....	4,773	5,437	4,795	4,914	4,956	.....
INITIAL UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIMS, State programs.....thous..	180	224	197	231	219	.....
INSURED UNEMPLOYMENT, all programs.....do....	1,080	1,111	1,084	1,098	.....	.....
State programs (50 States, D.C., and Puerto Rico).....do....	1,002	1,033	1,007	1,022	.....	.....
FAILURES, INDUST. AND COMMERCIAL (Dun & Bradstreet).number..	137	159	161	183	194	199
FINANCE:						
Currency in circulation ^{3/}.....mil. \$..	49,638	50,077	52,314	52,551	52,687	53,059
Federal Reserve bank credit outstanding, total ^{3/}.....do....	58,532	59,049	62,458	63,102	62,869	63,192
Member bank reserve balances ^{3/}.....do....	26,594	26,859	27,696	27,949	27,547	27,655
Excess reserves, estimated ^{3/}.....do....	-59	-285	-202	-1	83	97
Assets and liabilities of large commercial banks: ^{4/}						
Demand deposits, adjusted.....mil. \$..	79,135	.....	78,396	79,835	79,485	.....
Savings deposits.....do....	48,817	.....	46,343	46,345	46,334	.....
Loans and investments, gross adjusted, total.....do....	223,917	.....	226,984	226,372	227,914	.....
U.S. Government obligations.....do....	28,375	.....	22,971	22,641	23,736	.....
Commercial and industrial loans (gross).....do....	71,241	71,270	78,246	78,092	77,996	.....
Real estate loans (gross).....do....	31,893	31,687	33,995	34,057	34,075	.....
Bond yields, domestic corporate (Moody's) ^{3/}.....percent..	6.63	6.68	7.70	7.78	7.89	7.97
Stock prices, 500 stocks (Stand. & Poor's) ^{4/}.....1941-43=100..	107.76	**108.02	97.89	95.90	93.27	91.65
Industrials, 425 stocks.....do....	117.33	**117.79	107.62	105.58	102.85	101.06
PRODUCTION:						
Bituminous coal ^{3/}.....thous. sh. tons..	1,923	1,737	1,944	1,879	2,024	.....
Electric power, by utilities.....mil. kw.-hr..	24,612	26,358	27,357	28,157	26,660	.....
Motor vehicles (passenger cars).....number..	174,419	210,360	180,736	182,727	121,870	181,223
Petroleum (crude) and condensate ^{3/}.....thous. bbl..	8,998	9,008	9,254	9,277	9,252	.....
Steel, raw.....thous. sh. tons..	2,356	2,348	2,769	2,784	2,806	2,777
Index of production.....1957-59=100..	126.5	126.0	148.6	149.4	150.6	149.1
RAIL FREIGHT, REVENUE TON-MILES.....bil..	13.5	14.3	15.7	15.7	14.1	.....

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

MONTHLY BUSINESS STATISTICS

ITEM	1968		1969			
	Sept.	Oct.	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct. ^{p/}
GENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORS						
MANUFACTURERS' SHIPMENTS:						
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED, TOTAL.....mil. \$..	52,950	54,016	50,501	53,401	r57,991	58,152
Durable goods industries, total ^{1/}.....do....	28,404	29,541	27,225	28,745	r32,188	32,398
Stone, clay, and glass products.....do....	1,449	1,496	1,407	1,531	r1,592	1,595
Primary metals.....do....	3,912	4,125	4,360	4,584	r4,946	5,035
Fabricated metal products.....do....	2,965	3,079	2,876	3,135	r3,249	3,398
Machinery, except electrical.....do....	5,029	5,094	4,856	5,095	r5,700	5,433
Electrical machinery.....do....	3,754	3,681	3,536	3,739	r4,098	4,068
Transportation equipment.....do....	7,067	7,835	6,224	6,302	r8,101	8,460
Instruments and related products.....do....	1,062	1,025	1,023	1,166	r1,287	1,167
Nondurable goods industries, total ^{1/}.....do....	24,546	24,475	23,276	24,656	r25,803	25,754
Food and kindred products.....do....	8,251	8,115	7,809	8,159	r8,708	8,723
Tobacco products.....do....	423	412	437	453	r454	413
Textile mill products.....do....	1,981	1,956	1,507	1,852	r1,884	1,747
Paper and allied products.....do....	2,186	2,174	2,157	2,264	r2,338	2,322
Chemicals and allied products.....do....	4,204	4,109	3,825	4,040	r4,268	4,246
Petroleum and coal products.....do....	1,897	1,905	2,046	2,088	r2,155	2,118
Rubber and plastics products.....do....	1,221	1,321	1,266	1,311	r1,423	1,483
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED, TOTAL.....do....	51,441	52,560	55,392	55,239	r56,434	56,678
By industry group:						
Durable goods industries, total ^{1/}.....do....	27,985	28,960	30,605	30,868	r31,742	31,826
Stone, clay, and glass products.....do....	1,347	1,390	1,388	1,414	r1,478	1,482
Primary metals.....do....	3,963	4,220	4,777	4,739	r5,016	5,156
Fabricated metal products.....do....	2,859	3,005	3,088	3,036	r3,135	3,312
Machinery, except electrical.....do....	5,075	5,194	5,261	5,504	r5,769	5,536
Electrical machinery.....do....	3,545	3,529	3,930	3,863	r3,873	3,902
Transportation equipment.....do....	7,227	7,555	7,916	8,120	r8,248	8,205
Instruments and related products.....do....	999	989	1,101	1,182	r1,212	1,124

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

ITEM	1968		1969			
	Sept.	Oct.	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct. <u>p/</u>
GENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORS--Con.						
MANUFACTURERS' SHIPMENTS (SEAS. ADJ.)--Con.						
By industry group--Con.						
Nondurable goods industries, total <u>l/</u>.....mil. \$..	23,456	23,600	24,787	24,371	r24,692	24,852
Food and kindred products.....do....	7,812	7,869	8,114	8,156	8,259	8,459
Tobacco products.....do....	411	421	425	432	r442	422
Textile mill products.....do....	1,848	1,805	1,789	1,785	r1,761	1,614
Paper and allied products.....do....	2,117	2,112	2,333	2,234	r2,263	2,256
Chemicals and allied products.....do....	4,061	4,061	4,118	4,100	r4,120	4,197
Petroleum and coal products.....do....	1,884	1,890	2,030	2,071	r2,138	2,100
Rubber and plastics products.....do....	1,221	1,276	1,395	1,352	r1,424	1,432
INVENTORIES, END OF MONTH:						
Book value (unadjusted), total.....do....	86,409	86,887	92,682	93,262	r93,415	94,190
Durable goods industries, total.....do....	56,141	56,265	61,113	61,541	r61,643	62,212
Nondurable goods industries, total.....do....	30,268	30,622	31,569	31,721	r31,772	31,978
Book value (seasonally adjusted), total.....do....	87,109	87,566	93,166	93,728	r94,211	94,994
By industry group:						
Durable goods industries, total <u>l/</u>.....do....	56,458	56,657	61,441	61,724	r62,036	62,671
Stone, clay, and glass products.....do....	2,029	2,064	2,463	2,453	r2,458	2,459
Primary metals.....do....	7,502	7,426	7,800	7,907	r7,937	7,927
Fabricated metal products.....do....	6,121	6,229	6,407	6,371	6,434	6,486
Machinery, except electrical.....do....	11,213	11,147	12,542	12,606	r12,697	12,941
Electrical machinery.....do....	8,502	8,524	9,044	9,086	r9,203	9,296
Transportation equipment.....do....	13,889	13,891	15,154	15,177	r15,129	15,298
Instruments and related products.....do....	2,067	2,105	2,407	2,412	r2,416	2,431
Nondurable goods industries, total <u>l/</u>.....do....	30,651	30,909	31,725	32,004	r32,175	32,323
Food and kindred products.....do....	7,423	7,491	7,296	7,367	r7,399	7,204
Tobacco products.....do....	2,219	2,211	2,230	2,251	r2,225	2,257
Textile mill products.....do....	3,477	3,470	3,509	3,586	r3,564	3,654
Paper and allied products.....do....	2,331	2,359	2,486	2,469	r2,513	2,581
Chemicals and allied products.....do....	5,793	5,871	6,395	6,418	r6,467	6,525
Petroleum and coal products.....do....	2,083	2,114	2,078	2,075	r2,108	2,155
Rubber and plastics products.....do....	1,733	1,731	1,851	1,885	r1,890	1,872
NEW ORDERS, NET (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED), TOTAL.....do....						
Durable goods industries, total.....do....	53,605	55,022	51,551	53,001	r58,450	57,651
Nondurable goods industries, total.....do....	29,052	30,536	28,355	28,420	r32,671	31,943
NEW ORDERS, NET (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED), TOTAL.....do....	24,553	24,486	23,196	24,581	r25,779	25,708
By industry group:						
Durable goods industries, total <u>l/</u>.....do....	51,877	53,931	55,793	54,799	r56,829	56,636
Durable goods industries, total <u>l/</u>.....do....	28,381	30,280	31,069	30,482	r32,135	31,794
Primary metals.....do....	4,092	4,397	5,161	5,001	r5,313	5,318
Fabricated metal products.....do....	3,103	3,271	3,197	3,091	r3,340	3,391
Machinery, except electrical.....do....	5,184	5,403	5,433	5,513	r6,152	5,619
Electrical machinery.....do....	3,668	3,751	4,079	3,707	r3,688	4,165
Transportation equipment.....do....	6,996	7,764	7,554	7,657	r7,885	7,599
Nondurable goods industries, total.....do....	23,496	23,651	24,724	24,317	r24,694	24,842
Industries with unfilled orders.....do....	6,434	6,518	6,856	6,616	r6,709	6,588
Industries without unfilled orders.....do....	17,062	17,133	17,868	17,701	r17,985	18,254
UNFILLED ORDERS, END OF MONTH (UNADJ.), TOTAL.....do....						
Durable goods industries, total.....do....	84,358	85,357	89,892	89,493	r89,952	89,456
Nondurable goods industries with unfilled orders.....do....	81,318	82,307	86,759	86,435	r86,918	86,468
UNFILLED ORDERS, END OF MONTH (SEAS. ADJ.), TOTAL.....do....	3,040	3,050	3,133	3,058	r3,034	2,988
By industry group:						
Durable goods industries, total <u>l/</u>.....do....	83,617	84,991	89,456	89,014	r89,411	89,366
Durable goods industries, total <u>l/</u>.....do....	80,572	81,894	86,369	85,984	r86,377	86,300
Primary metals.....do....	5,662	5,840	7,456	7,718	r8,015	8,178
Fabricated metal products.....do....	9,115	9,381	10,175	10,231	r10,436	10,516
Machinery, except electrical.....do....	14,430	14,637	16,487	16,494	r16,875	16,957
Electrical machinery.....do....	12,923	13,148	13,276	13,120	r12,935	13,197
Transportation equipment.....do....	32,709	32,918	33,121	32,658	r32,297	31,691
Nondurable goods industries with unfilled orders.....do....	3,045	3,097	3,087	3,030	r3,034	3,022
FINANCE						
CONSUMER CREDIT (SHORT- AND INTERMEDIATE-TERM):						
Total outstanding, end of month.....mil. \$..	107,636	108,643	116,567	117,380	118,008	118,515
Installment credit, total.....do....	86,184	87,058	93,833	94,732	95,356	95,850
Automobile paper.....do....	33,336	33,698	36,081	36,245	36,321	36,599
Other consumer goods paper.....do....	22,988	23,248	25,172	25,467	25,732	25,855
Repair and modernization loans.....do....	3,881	3,910	4,039	4,063	4,096	4,084
Personal loans.....do....	25,979	26,202	28,541	28,957	29,207	29,312
By type of holder:						
Financial institutions, total.....do....	75,114	75,871	82,130	82,910	83,440	83,949
Commercial banks.....do....	35,923	36,352	39,248	39,532	39,793	40,006
Sales finance companies.....do....	17,680	17,823	19,127	19,265	19,360	19,569
Credit unions.....do....	9,851	9,962	11,054	11,220	11,347	11,438
Consumer finance companies.....do....	8,530	8,588	9,293	9,436	9,450	9,436
Other.....do....	3,130	3,146	3,408	3,457	3,490	3,500
Retail outlets, total.....do....	11,070	11,187	11,703	11,822	11,916	11,901
Automobile dealers.....do....	313	317	335	336	336	338
Noninstallment credit, total.....do....	21,452	21,585	22,764	22,648	22,652	22,665
Single-payment loans, total.....do....	8,868	8,943	9,120	9,073	9,075	9,025
Commercial banks.....do....	7,719	7,794	7,946	7,879	7,882	7,837
Other financial institutions.....do....	1,149	1,149	1,174	1,194	1,193	1,188
Charge accounts, total.....do....	6,550	6,692	7,039	6,988	7,005	7,085
Credit cards.....do....	1,267	1,268	1,498	1,550	1,557	1,517
Service credit.....do....	6,034	5,950	6,605	6,587	6,572	6,555

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MONTHLY BUSINESS STATISTICS—Continued

ITEM	1968		1969			
	Sept.	Oct.	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.
FINANCE—Con.						
Installment credit extended and repaid:						
Unadjusted:						
Extended, total.....mil. \$..	7,682	8,687	8,920	8,604	8,485	8,797
Automobile paper.....do....	2,354	2,917	2,828	2,593	2,566	2,939
Other consumer goods paper.....do....	2,462	2,752	2,778	2,764	2,794	2,805
All other.....do....	2,866	3,018	3,314	3,247	3,125	3,053
Repaid, total.....do....	7,182	7,813	8,174	7,705	7,861	8,303
Automobile paper.....do....	2,343	2,555	2,551	2,429	2,490	2,661
Other consumer goods paper.....do....	2,251	2,492	2,562	2,469	2,529	2,682
All other.....do....	2,588	2,766	3,061	2,807	2,842	2,960
Seasonally adjusted:						
Extended, total.....do....	8,416	8,533	8,521	8,680	8,669	8,661
Automobile paper.....do....	2,783	2,782	2,582	2,634	2,794	2,808
Other consumer goods paper.....do....	2,560	2,645	2,777	2,819	2,740	2,707
All other.....do....	3,073	3,106	3,162	3,227	3,135	3,146
Repaid, total.....do....	7,701	7,586	7,899	8,080	7,971	7,992
Automobile paper.....do....	2,482	2,391	2,471	2,562	2,498	2,463
Other consumer goods paper.....do....	2,428	2,451	2,511	2,574	2,600	2,615
All other.....do....	2,791	2,744	2,917	2,944	2,873	2,914
SECURITY MARKETS:						
STOCKS:						
Prices:						
Dow-Jones averages (65 stocks).....	340.25	344.39	279.78	279.05	280.44	281.02
Industrial (30 stocks).....	955.47	964.12	825.46	826.71	832.51	841.09
Public utility (15 stocks).....	130.40	137.57	115.76	113.35	115.12	116.04
Railroad (20 stocks).....	270.41	270.51	199.24	199.06	198.39	195.47
New York Stock Exchange common stock indexes:						
Composite.....12/31/65=50..	58.32	59.44	52.09	52.37	53.27	53.85
Industrial.....do....	61.07	61.97	54.85	55.29	56.22	56.84
Transportation.....do....	55.24	55.96	41.45	42.72	43.12	42.59
Utility.....do....	45.22	47.18	41.34	40.20	40.55	41.36
Finance.....do....	77.50	79.55	65.29	68.16	71.71	71.62

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