



# BUSINESS STATISTICS

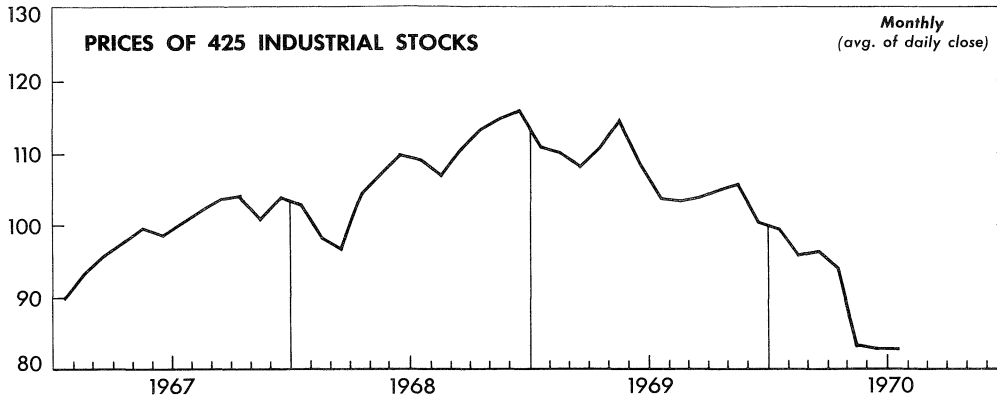


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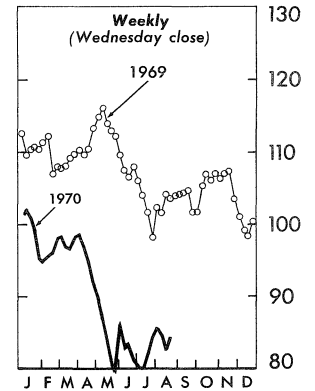
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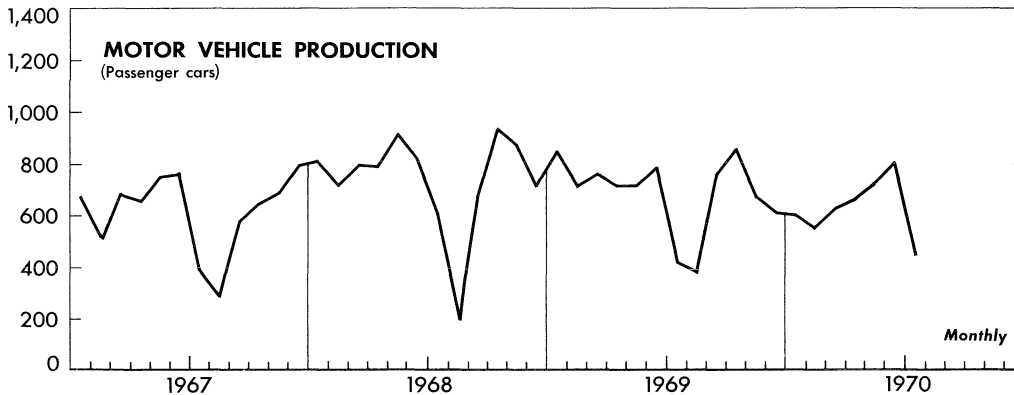


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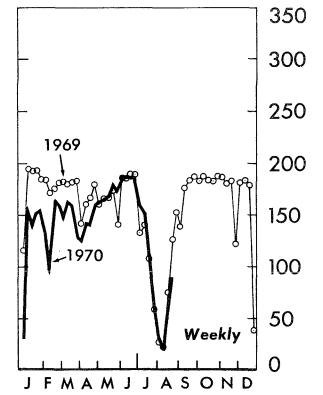


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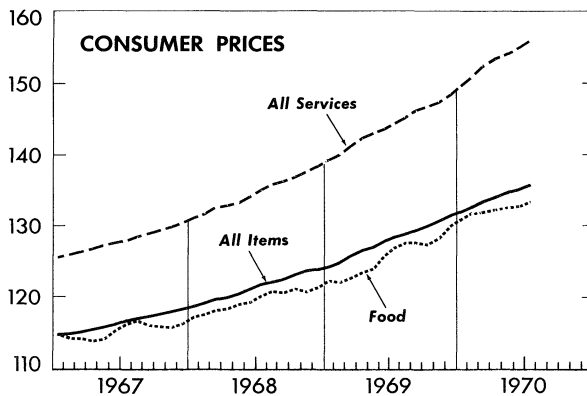


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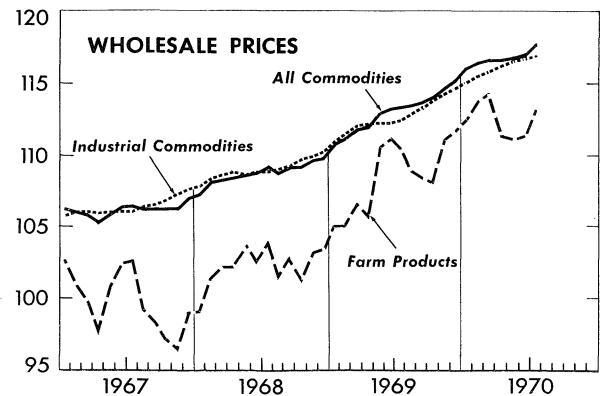


1957-59 = 100



Data: U.S. Dept. of Labor

1957-59 = 100



Data: Federal Reserve Board

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WEEKLY BUSINESS STATISTICS<sup>1</sup>

ITEM	1969		1970			
	Aug. 16	Aug. 23	Aug. 1	Aug. 8	Aug. 15	Aug. 22
WHOLESALE PRICES, 22 COMMODITIES <u>2/</u> .....1957-59=100..	111.4	110.9	110.6	110.8	110.7	110.6
ALL RETAIL STORES, SALES.....mil. \$..	6,574	6,667	6,966	6,792	6,805	.....
Nondurable goods stores.....do....	4,524	4,612	4,674	4,796	4,729	.....
INITIAL UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIMS, State programs.....thous..	168	155	294	279	258	.....
INSURED UNEMPLOYMENT, all programs.....do....	1,032	981	1,933	1,912	.....	.....
State programs (50 States, D.C., and Puerto Rico).....do....	962	913	1,789	1,767	.....	.....
FAILURES, INDUST. AND COMMERCIAL (Dun & Bradstreet)..number..	149	189	209	233	204	211
FINANCE:						
Currency in circulation <u>3/</u> .....mil. \$..	51,433	51,375	54,488	54,587	54,898	54,917
Federal Reserve bank credit outstanding, total <u>3/</u> .....do....	60,809	61,048	63,459	63,694	64,284	64,690
Member bank reserve balances <u>3/</u> .....do....	26,960	27,159	28,155	28,115	28,535	28,518
Excess reserves, estimated <u>3/</u> .....do....	333	59	94	155	228	71
Assets and liabilities of large commercial banks: <u>4/</u>						
Demand deposits, adjusted.....mil. \$..	79,278	78,191	79,854	79,123	79,040	.....
Savings deposits.....do....	46,962	46,780	46,344	46,379	46,323	.....
Loans and investments (adjusted), total.....do....	226,306	224,105	233,130	234,415	234,002	.....
U.S. Government obligations.....do....	22,976	22,253	23,378	23,706	23,472	.....
Commercial and industrial loans (gross).....do....	77,390	77,057	79,342	79,404	79,391	.....
Real estate loans (gross).....do....	33,475	33,440	33,597	33,617	33,673	.....
Bond yields, domestic corporate (Moody's) <u>3/</u> .....percent..	7.35	7.35	8.76	8.75	8.71	8.73
Stock prices, 500 stocks (Stand. & Poor's) <u>4/</u> ..1941-43=100..	92.70	95.07	78.04	77.18	75.42	76.96
Industrials, 425 stocks.....do....	101.70	104.48	85.63	84.63	82.56	84.30
PRODUCTION:						
Bituminous coal <u>3/</u> .....thous. sh. tons..	1,905	1,671	1,697	1,938	2,090	.....
Electric power, by utilities.....mil. kw.-hr..	30,490	30,156	33,311	32,300	32,239	.....
Motor vehicles (passenger cars).....number..	74,750	126,079	31,474	19,038	49,725	80,925
Petroleum (crude) and condensate <u>3/</u> .....thous. bbl..	9,276	9,276	9,349	9,912	9,680	.....
Steel, raw.....thous. sh. tons..	2,604	2,584	2,406	2,436	2,470	2,434
Index of production.....1957-59=100..	139.8	138.7	129.2	130.8	132.6	130.7
RAIL FREIGHT, REVENUE TON-MILES.....bil..	15.0	14.9	14.1	14.4	14.5	.....

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

## MONTHLY BUSINESS STATISTICS

ITEM	1969		1970			
	June	July	Apr.	May	June	July
GENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORS						
MANUFACTURERS' SHIPMENTS: <u>1/</u>						
Value (not seasonally adjusted):						
Durable goods industries, total.....bil. \$..	32.3	27.2	30.5	31.3	r32.8	28.1
Primary metals.....do....	5.0	4.4	4.7	5.1	5.2	4.5
Transportation equipment.....do....	8.0	6.2	7.8	7.9	r8.2	6.2
Value (seasonally adjusted):						
Durable goods industries, total.....do....	30.1	30.6	29.5	30.4	r30.6	31.4
Primary metals.....do....	4.7	4.8	4.4	4.8	r4.9	4.9
Transportation equipment.....do....	7.2	7.9	7.6	7.5	r7.5	7.9
Supplementary series:						
Household durables.....do....	2.2	2.3	2.0	2.1	2.2	2.1
Defense products (old series).....do....	4.0	4.2	4.5	4.3	4.0	4.2
Defense products (new series).....do....	2.0	2.1	2.0	2.0	2.1	2.1
Producers' capital goods industries.....do....	6.3	6.2	6.2	6.7	r6.5	6.7
MANUFACTURERS' ORDERS: <u>1/</u>						
New orders, net (not seasonally adjusted):						
Durable goods industries, total.....do....	31.5	28.4	29.6	29.8	r32.1	28.8
New orders, net (seasonally adjusted):						
Durable goods industries, total.....do....	29.2	31.1	28.6	29.5	r29.7	31.6
Primary metals.....do....	4.8	5.2	4.8	4.7	4.9	4.8
Transportation equipment.....do....	6.3	7.6	6.5	6.8	7.1	8.1
Supplementary series:						
Household durables.....do....	2.2	2.3	2.0	2.0	2.1	2.0
Defense products (old series).....do....	2.9	4.0	3.6	4.0	r3.3	4.8
Defense products (new series).....do....	1.3	2.4	1.5	1.9	1.7	3.1
Producers' capital goods industries.....do....	6.5	6.3	6.0	6.2	r6.4	6.6
Unfilled orders, end of month (unadjusted):						
Durable goods industries, total.....do....	85.6	86.8	83.1	81.6	80.9	81.6
Unfilled orders, end of month (seasonally adjusted):						
Durable goods industries, total.....do....	85.9	86.4	82.8	81.9	81.1	81.3
Primary metals.....do....	7.1	7.5	7.2	7.1	7.1	6.9
Transportation equipment.....do....	33.5	33.1	29.5	28.8	28.5	28.8

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	June	July	Apr.	May	June	July
GENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORS--Con.						
MANUFACTURERS' ORDERS--Con. 1/						
Unfilled orders, end of month (seas. adj.)--Con.						
Supplementary series:						
Household durables.....bil. \$..	1.8	1.8	1.6	1.6	r1.6	1.5
Defense products (old series).....do....	31.8	31.6	28.5	28.3	27.6	28.2
Defense products (new series).....do....	21.7	22.0	19.5	19.3	19.0	20.0
Producers' capital goods industries.....do....	24.0	24.2	24.6	24.1	24.0	23.9
COMMODITY PRICES						
CONSUMER PRICE INDEX:						
Unadjusted indexes:						
All items.....1957-59=100..	127.6	128.2	134.0	134.6	135.2	135.7
Special group indexes:						
All items less food.....do....	128.4	128.8	134.8	135.5	136.1	136.6
All items less medical care.....do....	126.0	126.5	132.2	132.9	133.4	133.9
Commodities.....do....	120.5	121.0	125.2	125.8	126.2	126.5
Nondurables.....do....	124.1	124.7	129.3	129.8	130.0	130.4
Nondurables less food.....do....	123.0	123.1	127.0	127.5	127.7	127.8
Durables.....do....	111.7	111.9	114.8	115.9	116.7	116.9
Services.....do....	143.3	144.0	153.4	154.1	155.0	155.8
Services less rent.....do....	148.8	149.6	160.1	161.0	161.9	162.8
Food.....do....	125.5	126.7	132.0	132.4	132.7	133.4
Meats, poultry, and fish.....do....	125.3	127.6	130.9	130.5	130.2	130.8
Dairy products.....do....	124.0	124.4	129.5	129.9	130.2	130.6
Fruits and vegetables.....do....	130.8	132.3	134.7	136.8	139.4	137.5
Housing.....do....	126.3	127.0	134.4	135.1	135.6	136.2
Shelter.....do....	133.0	134.0	143.7	144.7	145.6	146.2
Rent.....do....	118.5	118.8	122.6	123.0	123.4	123.8
Homeownership.....do....	138.7	140.0	152.1	153.3	154.4	155.0
Fuel and utilities.....do....	112.7	112.6	116.3	116.4	116.2	117.2
Fuel oil and coal.....do....	117.5	117.4	120.9	121.0	121.2	122.3
Gas and electricity.....do....	111.3	110.9	115.7	115.8	115.3	115.7
Household furnishings and operation.....do....	117.9	118.2	122.0	122.5	122.8	123.0
Apparel and upkeep.....do....	127.0	126.8	131.1	131.9	132.2	131.4
Transportation.....do....	124.6	124.3	128.9	129.9	130.6	131.4
Private.....do....	121.8	121.4	124.9	125.9	126.7	127.2
New cars.....do....	101.8	101.6	104.3	104.1	103.8	103.7
Used cars.....do....	128.2	127.0	121.1	127.5	132.0	131.8
Public.....do....	149.1	149.5	165.8	166.6	167.8	170.8
Health and recreation.....do....	136.3	137.0	142.3	142.9	143.7	144.3
Medical care.....do....	155.2	155.9	162.8	163.6	164.7	165.8
Personal care.....do....	126.2	126.6	129.8	130.3	130.2	130.6
Reading and recreation.....do....	130.4	130.7	134.4	135.2	136.1	136.6
PURCHASING POWER OF THE DOLLAR AS MEASURED BY--						
Consumer prices.....1957-59=\$1.00..	\$0.784	\$0.780	\$0.746	\$0.743	\$0.740	\$0.737
LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT, AND EARNINGS						
SPENDABLE WEEKLY EARNINGS, avg. per worker (with 3 dependents):						
On private payrolls (excl. gov't and farm) 2/current dollars..	100.46	100.98	102.95	103.77	105.08	p105.88
1957-59 dollars..	78.73	78.77	76.83	77.10	77.72	p78.03
Manufacturing industries.....current dollars..	111.86	110.95	114.37	115.27	116.43	p115.63
1957-59 dollars..	87.66	86.54	85.35	85.64	86.12	p85.21
HELP-WANTED ADVERTISING, SEAS. ADJUSTED INDEX.....1957-59=100..	228	227	186	180	175	p172
FINANCE						
SECURITIES ISSUED:						
Securities and Exchange Commission:						
Estimated gross proceeds, total.....mil. \$..	5,780	4,608	6,003	6,799	5,862	9,545
By type of security:						
Bonds and notes, total.....do....	4,950	3,914	5,535	5,645	5,154	9,078
Corporate.....do....	1,917	1,382	1,334	2,385	2,434	3,438
Common stock.....do....	762	684	417	1,064	641	399
Preferred stock.....do....	68	10	50	90	67	68
By type of issuer:						
Corporate, total.....do....	2,748	2,076	1,802	3,539	3,141	3,905
Manufacturing.....do....	513	569	357	1,416	690	805
Extractive (mining).....do....	115	229	85	149	211	327
Public utility.....do....	784	392	540	906	1,107	600
Railroad.....do....	21	8	50	77	21	31
Communication.....do....	44	197	226	306	65	1,750
Financial and real estate.....do....	548	273	323	339	596	229
Noncorporate, total.....do....	3,032	2,533	4,201	3,260	2,721	5,639
U.S. Government.....do....	412	410	416	461	387	3,701
State and municipal.....do....	1,627	1,088	1,198	1,504	1,625	974

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ITEM	1969		1970			
	June	July	April	May	June	July
ELECTRIC POWER						
SALES TO ULTIMATE CUSTOMERS, TOTAL (Edison Electric Institute).....mil. kw.-hr..	105,615	113,510	109,247	108,692	.....	.....
Commercial and industrial:					.....	.....
Small light and power.....do....	24,145	26,473	23,564	24,339	.....	.....
Large light and power.....do....	47,157	46,547	47,030	47,970	.....	.....
Railways and railroads.....do....	328	348	376	384	.....	.....
Residential or domestic.....do....	29,859	35,934	34,007	31,745	.....	.....
Street and highway lighting.....do....	794	809	891	839	.....	.....
Other public authorities.....do....	2,976	3,016	3,005	3,032	.....	.....
Interdepartmental.....do....	356	384	374	383	.....	.....
REVENUE FROM SALES TO ULTIMATE CUSTOMERS (Edison Electric Institute).....mil. \$..	1,632.3	1,762.3	1,697.8	1,708.8	.....	.....
METALS AND MANUFACTURES						
Castings, gray iron:						
Orders, unfilled, for sale, end of month.....thous. sh. tons..	1,019	1,097	1,061	r1,046	1,018	.....
Shipments, total.....do....	1,361	1,192	1,272	r1,256	1,324	.....
For sale.....do....	815	720	739	r 723	791	.....
Castings, malleable iron:						
Orders, unfilled, for sale, end of month.....do....	119	143	94	r94	93	.....
Shipments, total.....do....	96	80	83	r 78	76	.....
For sale.....do....	54	50	47	r44	45	.....
STEEL (RAW):						
PRODUCTION.....do....	11,810	11,365	11,386	11,574	r11,323	p10,792
Index.....daily average 1957-59=100..	147.9	137.8	142.6	140.3	r141.8	p130.8
TEXTILE PRODUCTS						
Men's apparel, cuttings:						
Tailored garments:						
Suits.....thous. units..	1,765	1,174	1,571	r1,503	1,284	.....
Overcoats and topcoats.....do....	295	195	281	274	273	.....
Coats (separate), dress and sport.....do....	1,136	855	1,092	r1,022	993	.....
Trousers (separate), dress and sport.....do....	14,472	13,023	16,140	r14,694	14,589	.....
Shirts (woven fabrics), dress and sport.....thous. doz..	1,713	1,495	2,005	r1,867	1,889	.....

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