



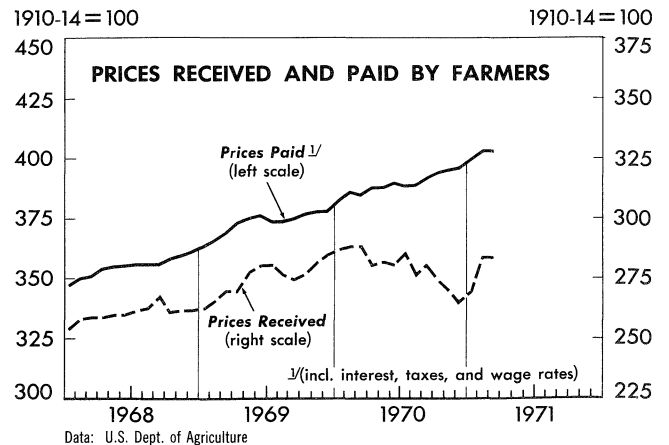
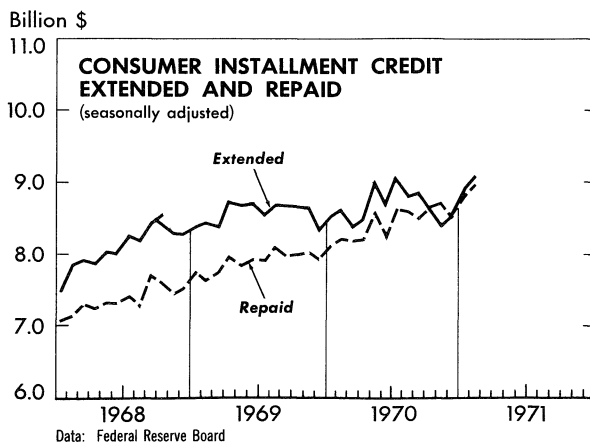
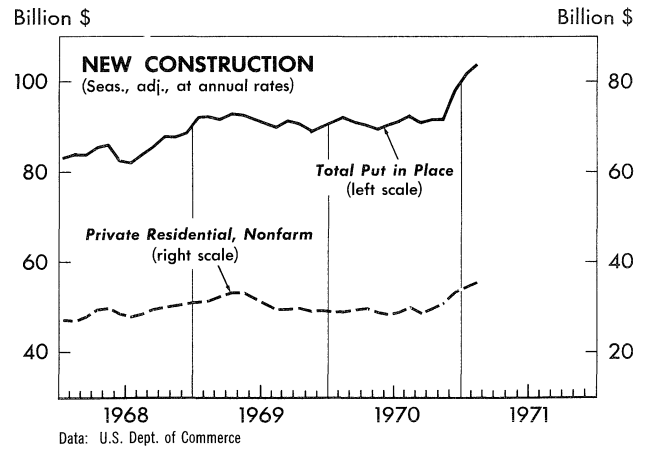
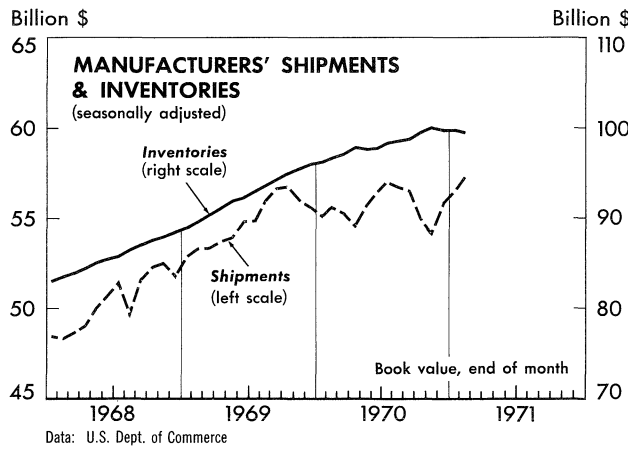
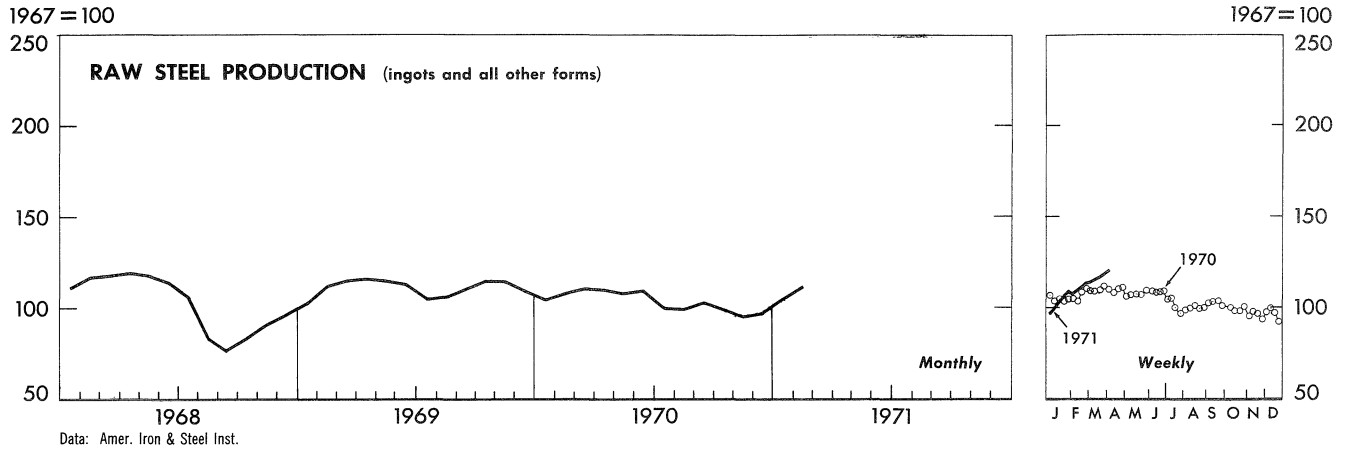
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ITEM	1970		1971			
	Mar. 28	Apr. 4	Mar. 13	Mar. 20	Mar. 27	Apr. 3
WHOLESALE PRICES, 22 COMMODITIES <u>2/</u>1967=100..	116.8	116.2	108.8	109.5	109.7	109.5
ALL RETAIL STORES, SALES.....mil. \$..	7,000	6,835	6,872	7,039	7,310	.....
Nondurable goods stores.....do....	4,900	4,707	4,708	4,835	4,906	.....
INITIAL UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIMS, State programs.....thous..	237	251	275	261	262	.....
INSURED UNEMPLOYMENT, all programs.....do....	1,899	1,882	3,148	3,084	.....	.....
State programs (50 States, D.C., and Puerto Rico).....do....	1,776	1,762	2,639	2,561	.....	.....
FAILURES, INDUST. AND COMMERCIAL (Dun & Bradstreet).....number..	192	206	270	195	249	266
FINANCE:						
Currency in circulation <u>3/</u>.....mil. \$..	52,469	52,565	56,000	56,300	56,213	56,110
Federal Reserve bank credit outstanding, total <u>3/</u>.....do....	61,624	62,060	66,451	66,832	66,708	66,917
Member bank reserve balances <u>3/</u>.....do....	27,572	27,806	29,451	29,927	29,501	29,979
Excess reserves, estimated <u>3/</u>.....do....	96	389	130	234	63	420
Assets and liabilities of large commercial banks: <u>4/</u>						
Demand deposits, adjusted.....mil. \$..	81,382	84,189	81,801	81,489	82,657	.....
Savings deposits.....do....	46,430	46,221	51,546	52,025	52,375	.....
Loans and investments, gross adjusted, total.....do....	228,306	231,529	251,173	251,870	250,891	.....
U.S. Government obligations.....do....	22,078	23,616	28,123	27,709	27,043	.....
Commercial and industrial loans (gross).....do....	78,697	79,028	81,238	81,741	81,466	.....
Real estate loans (gross).....do....	33,766	33,440	34,484	34,478	34,521	.....
Bond yields, domestic corporate (Moody's) <u>3/</u>.....percent..	8.22	8.18	7.84	7.88	7.86	7.85
Stock prices, 500 stocks (Stand. & Poor's) <u>4/</u>.....1941-43=10..	89.77	90.07	99.30	101.12	99.62	100.31
Industrials, 425 stocks.....do....	98.22	98.55	109.31	111.33	109.58	110.42
PRODUCTION:						
Bituminous coal <u>3/</u>.....thous. sh. tons..	2,001	1,910	2,114	2,077	2,170	.....
Electric power, by utilities.....mil. kw.-hr..	27,559	27,656	30,430	29,735	30,122	.....
Motor vehicles (passenger cars).....number..	127,539	123,821	191,700	190,220	189,295	184,143
Petroleum (crude) and condensate <u>3/</u>.....thous. bbl..	9,526	9,641	9,882	9,812	9,889	.....
Steel, raw.....thous. sh. tons..	2,720	2,695	2,810	2,844	2,893	2,940
Index of production.....1967=100 ..	111.5	110.5	115.2	116.6	118.6	120.5
RAIL FREIGHT, REVENUE TON-MILES.....bil.	15.0	14.3	14.5	14.8	15.1	.....

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

MONTHLY BUSINESS STATISTICS

ITEM	1970				1971	
	Jan.	Feb.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.
GENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORS						
NEW BUSINESS INCORPORATIONS (Dun & Bradstreet, Inc.):						
Unadjusted.....number..	24,407	21,796	19,178	r22,699	23,372	.....
Seasonally adjusted.....do....	r22,397	r23,152	r22,383	r22,085	22,338	.....
INDUSTRIAL AND COMMERCIAL FAILURES (Dun & Bradstreet, Inc.):						
Failures, total.....number..	734	817	939	869	905	860
Commercial service.....do....	84	84	126	114	134	107
Construction.....do....	114	155	133	112	140	141
Manufacturing and mining.....do....	140	164	174	176	167	170
Retail trade.....do....	342	335	414	372	380	361
Wholesale trade.....do....	54	79	92	95	84	81
Liabilities (current), total.....thous. \$..	137,282	139,388	119,836	121,723	168,803	150,903
Commercial service.....do....	37,608	7,770	9,896	19,963	26,235	11,567
Construction.....do....	20,835	36,504	15,390	13,662	39,145	13,582
Manufacturing and mining.....do....	42,260	66,589	52,624	45,820	57,073	76,501
Retail trade.....do....	24,979	21,655	29,809	25,901	30,785	30,960
Wholesale trade.....do....	11,600	6,870	12,117	16,377	15,565	18,293
Failure annual rate (seas. adj.).....No. per 10,000 concerns..	33.7	39.4	50.8	44.5	43.3	41.8
COMMODITY PRICES						
PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS, ALL FARM PRODUCTS.....1910-14=100..						
Crops.....do....	289	289	265	271	284	284
Commercial vegetables.....do....	221	221	225	232	238	245
Cotton.....do....	333	329	279	305	326	387
Feed grains and hay.....do....	171	175	177	178	182	178
Food grains.....do....	169	167	192	199	201	201
Fruit.....do....	159	157	170	171	173	170
Tobacco.....do....	215	217	204	216	233	251
Tobacco.....do....	603	603	610	611	612	612

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	Feb.	Mar.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.
COMMODITY PRICES -- Con.						
PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS, ALL FARM PRODUCTS--Con.						
Livestock and products.....1910-14=100..	348	346	300	304	323	317
Dairy products.....do.....	344	336	365	361	355	353
Meat animals.....do.....	436	442	343	357	403	393
Poultry and eggs.....do.....	181	170	148	144	136	134
PRICES PAID BY FARMERS:						
All commodities and services.....do.....	333	332	341	343	346	347
Family living items.....do.....	362	362	372	372	r376	376
Production items.....do.....	312	311	320	322	325	326
All commod., services, int., taxes, and wage rates.....do.....	386	385	396	r400	403	403
PARTY RATIO.....do.....	75	75	67	68	70	70
WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX:						
ALL COMMODITIES.....1967=100..	109.7	109.9	111.0	111.8	112.8	113.0
Farm products.....do.....	114.0	114.6	107.1	108.9	113.9	113.0
Food and feeds, processed.....do.....	112.1	111.8	110.7	111.8	113.3	113.7
Industrial commodities.....do.....	108.7	108.9	111.7	112.2	112.5	112.8
Chemicals and allied products.....do.....	101.1	101.6	103.3	103.8	104.2	104.5
Fuels and related products, and power.....do.....	102.7	102.6	112.8	113.5	113.0	112.8
Furniture and household durables.....do.....	106.7	106.9	108.7	109.3	109.7	109.6
Hides, skins, and leather products.....do.....	109.4	109.5	110.4	111.7	112.4	112.5
Lumber and wood products.....do.....	114.0	113.4	111.1	112.2	117.5	123.4
Machinery and equipment.....do.....	109.8	110.1	113.8	114.2	114.6	114.9
Metals and metal products.....do.....	115.1	115.9	116.2	116.5	116.4	116.5
Nonmetallic mineral products.....do.....	112.1	112.5	115.1	118.8	119.0	120.9
Pulp, paper, and allied products.....do.....	107.7	108.0	108.5	109.0	109.3	109.3
Rubber and plastics products.....do.....	107.9	107.7	109.4	108.4	109.1	109.1
Textile products and apparel.....do.....	107.3	107.4	106.7	106.9	106.7	106.9
Transportation equipment.....Dec. 1968=100..	102.9	103.2	108.9	109.5	109.7	109.5
Miscellaneous products.....1967=100..	107.5	107.8	111.9	112.3	112.6	112.8
PURCHASING POWER OF THE DOLLAR AS MEASURED BY--						
Wholesale prices.....1967=\$1.00..	\$0.912	\$0.910	\$0.901	\$0.894	\$0.887	\$0.885
CONSTRUCTION AND REAL ESTATE						
NEW CONSTRUCTION PUT IN PLACE (UNADJ.), TOTAL.....mil. \$..						
Private, total.....do.....	5,897	6,512	r7,689	r6,739	6,279	.....
Residential (nonfarm).....do.....	4,113	4,567	r5,505	r4,803	4,546	.....
New housing units.....do.....	1,765	1,986	r2,627	r2,345	2,175	.....
Nonresidential buildings, total 1/.....do.....	1,300	1,454	r2,053	r1,854	1,710	.....
Industrial.....do.....	1,627	1,769	1,840	r1,637	1,539	.....
Commercial.....do.....	415	458	480	r402	409	.....
Public, total.....do.....	763	841	892	r786	726	.....
Public, total.....do.....	1,784	1,945	r2,184	r1,936	1,733	.....
NEW CONSTRUCTION PUT IN PLACE (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED AT ANNUAL RATES), TOTAL.....bil. \$..						
Private, total.....do.....	92.0	90.7	r98.0	r101.7	103.7	.....
Residential (nonfarm).....do.....	63.3	64.2	r66.9	r69.8	70.3	.....
Nonresidential buildings, total 1/.....do.....	28.7	29.4	r33.3	r34.4	35.4	.....
Industrial.....do.....	24.0	23.8	21.5	r23.5	22.7	.....
Commercial.....do.....	6.0	5.9	5.4	r5.9	5.9	.....
Public, total.....do.....	11.7	11.8	10.4	r11.6	11.2	.....
Public, total.....do.....	28.6	26.6	r31.1	r31.9	33.4	.....
CONSTRUCTION COST INDEXES:						
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE COMPOSITE.....1957-59=100..	146	146	158	158	158	.....
LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT, AND EARNINGS						
LABOR FORCE, total, persons 16 years of age and over, not seasonally adjusted.....thous..						
Civilian labor force.....do.....	84,625	85,008	86,165	85,628	86,653	85,598
Employed, total.....do.....	81,283	81,690	83,152	82,652	82,703	82,668
Nonagricultural employment.....do.....	77,489	77,957	78,516	77,238	77,262	77,493
Agricultural employment.....do.....	74,495	74,786	75,564	74,361	74,415	74,452
Unemployed (all civilian workers).....do.....	2,994	3,171	2,952	2,877	2,846	3,042
Unemployed (all civilian workers).....do.....	3,794	3,733	4,636	5,414	5,442	5,175
Civilian labor force, seasonally adjusted.....do.....						
Employed, total.....do.....	82,198	82,600	83,609	83,897	83,384	83,475
Nonagricultural employment.....do.....	78,781	78,969	78,463	78,864	78,537	78,475
Agricultural employment.....do.....	75,300	75,436	75,055	75,451	75,208	75,079
Unemployed (all civilian workers).....do.....	3,481	3,533	3,408	3,413	3,329	3,396
Unemployed (all civilian workers).....do.....	3,417	3,631	5,146	5,033	4,847	5,000
Long-term, 15 weeks and over.....do.....	471	540	1,084	1,079	1,069	1,107
Rates (unemployed in each group as percent of total in the group):						
All civilian workers.....do.....	4.2	4.4	6.2	6.0	5.8	6.0
Men, 20 years and over.....do.....	2.8	2.9	4.6	4.3	4.2	4.2
Women, 20 years and over.....do.....	4.1	4.5	5.8	5.7	5.6	5.8
Both sexes, 16-19 years.....do.....	13.4	13.8	17.8	17.6	16.7	17.8
Married men.....do.....	2.0	2.2	3.4	3.3	3.2	3.2
Negro and other races.....do.....	7.1	7.2	9.5	9.5	9.6	9.4
White workers.....do.....	3.8	4.0	5.6	5.6	5.3	5.6
Occupation: White-collar workers.....do.....	2.4	2.6	3.8	3.5	3.5	3.7
Blue-collar workers.....do.....	5.0	5.2	7.8	7.6	7.4	7.4
Industry: Private nonfarm wage and salary workers.....do.....	4.2	4.6	6.6	6.4	6.1	6.4
Construction.....do.....	7.9	8.1	11.8	11.2	11.0	10.9
Manufacturing.....do.....	4.5	4.7	7.6	7.2	6.8	6.9
Durable goods.....do.....	4.5	4.7	8.0	7.2	7.1	7.3

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LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT, AND EARNINGS--Con.						
EMPLOYEES ON PAYROLLS (NONAGRICULTURAL ESTABLISHMENTS):						
Total, seasonally adjusted.....thous..	71,135	71,242	70,303	r70,652	r70,559	70,568
Mining.....do.....	626	626	625	625	r624	622
Contract construction.....do.....	3,466	3,481	3,319	r3,241	r3,182	3,229
Manufacturing.....do.....	19,937	19,944	18,842	r18,807	r18,718	18,655
Durable goods.....do.....	11,625	11,648	10,756	10,717	r10,654	10,581
Nondurable goods.....do.....	8,312	8,296	8,086	r8,090	r8,064	8,074
Transportation, communication, electric, gas, etc.....do.....	4,496	4,502	4,437	r4,499	r4,515	4,515
Wholesale and retail trade.....do.....	14,987	14,984	14,851	r15,133	r15,133	15,135
Wholesale trade.....do.....	3,834	3,847	3,855	r3,868	r3,869	3,886
Retail trade.....do.....	11,153	11,137	10,996	r11,265	r11,264	11,249
Finance, insurance, and real estate.....do.....	3,652	3,665	3,723	r3,746	r3,745	3,753
Services.....do.....	11,530	11,537	11,727	r11,778	r11,786	11,780
Government.....do.....	12,441	12,503	12,779	r12,823	r12,856	12,879
Federal.....do.....	2,718	2,766	2,650	2,656	r2,659	2,654
State and local.....do.....	9,723	9,737	10,129	r10,167	r10,197	10,225
PRODUCTION WORKERS (MFG. PAYROLLS), TOTAL, seas. adj.....do.....	14,489	14,512	13,610	r13,595	r13,530	13,480
Durable goods.....do.....	8,367	8,409	7,700	r7,679	r7,633	7,566
Nondurable goods.....do.....	6,122	6,103	5,910	r5,916	r5,897	5,914
FINANCE						
CONSUMER CREDIT (SHORT- AND INTERMEDIATE-TERM):						
Total outstanding, end of month.....mil. \$..	120,077	119,698	126,802	125,077	123,815	.....
Installment credit, total.....do.....	96,892	96,662	101,161	100,101	99,244	.....
Installment credit, extended and repaid:						
Unadjusted:						
Extended, total.....do.....	7,106	8,243	10,194	7,545	7,489	.....
Repaid, total.....do.....	7,616	8,473	8,823	8,605	8,346	.....
Seasonally adjusted:						
Extended, total.....do.....	8,625	8,392	8,536	8,916	9,081
Repaid, total.....do.....	8,207	8,194	8,515	8,829	8,979

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