



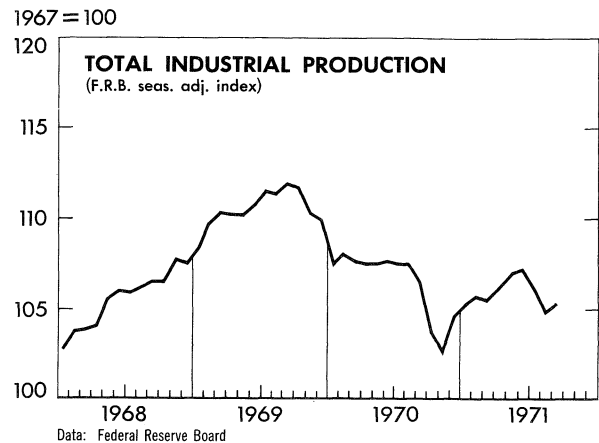
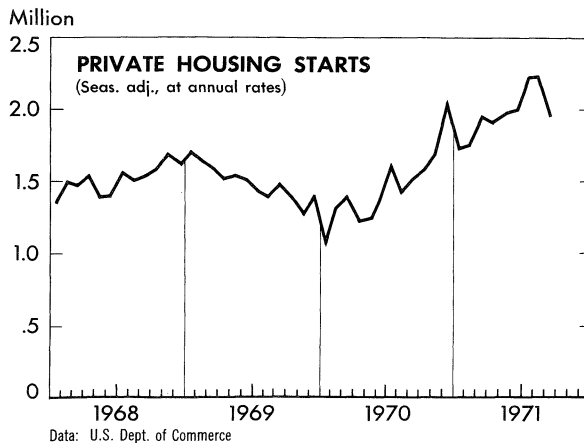
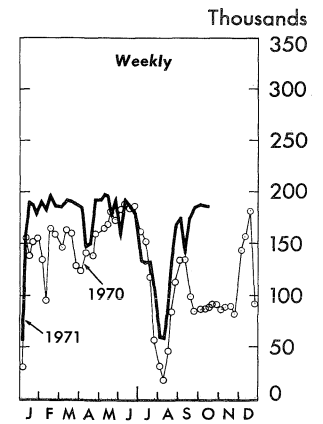
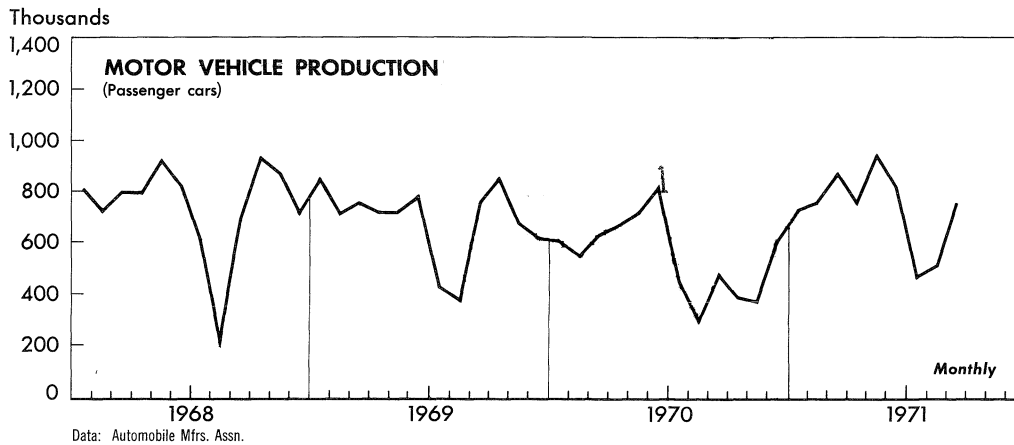
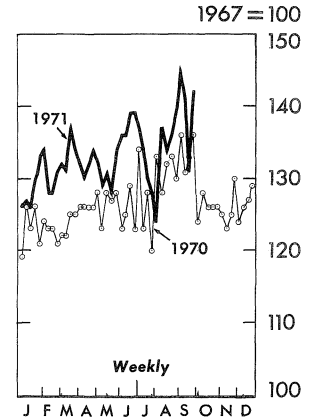
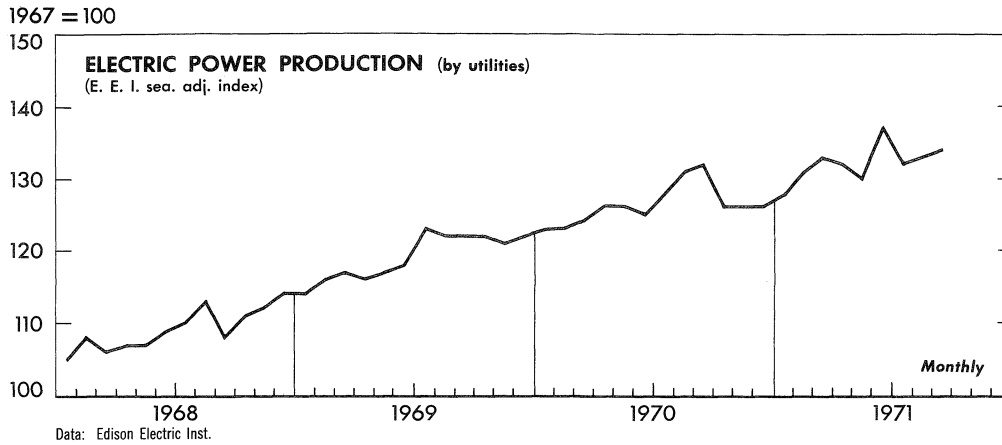
# BUSINESS STATISTICS



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WEEKLY BUSINESS STATISTICS<sup>1</sup>

ITEM	1970		1971			
	Oct. 10	Oct. 17	Sept. 25	Oct. 2	Oct. 9	Oct. 16
WHOLESALE PRICES, 22 COMMODITIES <u>2/</u> .....1967=100..	110.5	110.6	107.2	106.8	106.8	107.0
ALL RETAIL STORES, SALES.....mil. \$..	7,005	7,009	7,644	7,864	7,721	.....
Nondurable goods stores.....do....	4,910	4,945	5,046	5,083	5,193	.....
INITIAL UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIMS, State programs.....thous..	288	259	237	238	281	.....
INSURED UNEMPLOYMENT, all programs.....do....	1,811	1,879	2,153	2,126	.....	.....
State programs (50 States, D.C., and Puerto Rico).....do....	1,671	1,714	1,714	1,690	.....	.....
FAILURES, INDUST, AND COMMERCIAL (Dun & Bradstreet).number..	233	214	208	176	215	125
FINANCE:						
Currency in circulation <u>3/</u> .....mil. \$..	54,823	55,200	58,992	58,685	58,830	59,316
Federal Reserve bank credit outstanding, total <u>3/</u> .....do....	64,289	64,504	71,603	71,753	72,273	72,197
Member bank reserve balances <u>3/</u> .....do....	28,786	28,464	30,636	31,082	31,092	30,766
Excess reserves, estimated <u>3/</u> .....do....	352	41	227	353	297	101
Assets and liabilities of large commercial banks: <u>4/</u>						
Demand deposits, adjusted.....mil. \$..	79,663	80,462	82,136	82,080	82,504	.....
Savings deposits.....do....	46,893	46,935	53,099	53,313	53,495	.....
Loans and investments, gross adjusted, total.....do....	240,786	239,819	261,617	261,439	261,657	.....
U.S. Government obligations.....do....	24,705	24,387	25,217	25,080	24,648	.....
Commercial and industrial loans (gross).....do....	80,857	80,773	83,874	83,733	83,261	.....
Real estate loans (gross).....do....	33,969	33,989	37,107	37,196	37,200	.....
Bond yields, domestic corporate (Moody's) <u>3/</u> .....percent..	8.63	8.62	7.96	7.95	7.93	7.90
Stock prices, 500 stocks (Stand. & Poor's) <u>4/</u> .1941-43=10..	86.89	84.19	98.47	97.90	99.82	99.03
Industrial, 425 stocks.....do....	95.75	92.64	108.85	108.25	110.24	109.15
PRODUCTION:						
Bituminous coal <u>3/</u> .....thous. sh. tons..	2,142	2,058	2,030	2,288	1,583	.....
Electric power, by utilities.....mil. kw.-hr..	27,795	27,577	29,926	31,413	30,153	.....
Motor vehicles (passenger cars).....number..	86,397	88,574	184,040	187,055	185,840	185,117
Petroleum (crude) and condensate <u>3/</u> .....thous. bbl..	10,076	9,982	9,472	9,472	9,397	.....
Steel, raw.....thous. sh. tons..	2,440	2,403	1,855	1,809	1,756	1,843
Index of production.....1967=100..	100.0	98.5	76.0	74.1	72.0	75.5
RAIL FREIGHT, REVENUE TON-MILES.....bil..	15.6	15.0	14.7	14.8	13.0	.....

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

## MONTHLY BUSINESS STATISTICS

ITEM	1970		1971			
	Aug.	Sept.	June	July	Aug.	Sept.
GENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORS						
INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION (F.R. INDEX OF QUANTITY OUTPUT):						
SEASONALLY ADJ., TOTAL INDEX (INCL. UTIL.).....1967=100..	107.5	106.5	r107.2	r106.1	r104.8	105.3
BY MARKET GROUPINGS:						
Products, total.....do....	106.5	105.2	r106.1	r106.5	r106.2	106.3
Final products.....do....	104.9	103.9	r104.5	r104.7	r104.8	104.9
Consumer goods.....do....	111.6	110.1	r116.1	115.8	r116.0	116.2
Durable consumer goods.....do....	110.3	102.2	r116.1	r115.5	r114.9	115.3
Automotive products.....do....	111.2	91.1	r121.2	r120.1	r120.5	121.4
Autos.....do....	103.9	70.4	107.9	107.9	108.5	108.0
Auto parts and allied parts.....do....	125.4	130.9	r146.8	r143.6	r143.2	147.2
Home goods.....do....	109.9	108.6	r113.3	r112.8	r111.8	111.8
Nondurable consumer goods.....do....	112.1	113.0	r116.1	115.9	r116.4	116.6
Clothing.....do....	101.0	100.5	r101.9	102.3	.....	.....
Consumer staples.....do....	115.2	116.4	r119.9	r119.5	r120.6	120.9
Equipment.....do....	95.5	94.2	r88.2	r89.3	r89.2	89.3
Business.....do....	101.7	100.5	95.0	r96.4	r96.2	96.8
Defense and space equipment.....do....	85.1	83.9	r77.1	r77.7	77.0	76.9
Intermediate products.....do....	112.2	111.4	r112.4	r113.3	r111.4	111.2
Materials.....do....	109.3	109.0	r109.0	r105.5	r102.4	103.7
Durable goods materials.....do....	106.4	105.1	103.0	r98.9	93.7	95.7
Nondurable goods materials.....do....	111.6	112.9	r115.5	r112.5	r113.0	112.6
Fuel and power, industrial.....do....	118.6	119.7	r121.1	r119.7	r115.9	118.4
BY INDUSTRY GROUPINGS:						
MANUFACTURING, TOTAL.....do....	105.5	104.8	r105.6	r104.8	r103.1	103.3
Durable manufactures.....do....	103.5	100.7	r100.1	r99.3	r96.3	96.8
Primary metals.....do....	111.9	108.8	108.1	r98.9	r78.0	87.1
Fabricated metal products.....do....	111.8	109.0	108.5	r110.8	r108.2	105.5
Machinery.....do....	101.5	100.4	r95.2	r97.4	r95.8	95.7
Transportation equipment.....do....	96.1	87.5	r91.7	r88.5	91.1	90.4
Instruments.....do....	110.5	108.9	108.5	r108.7	r109.2	107.8
Clay, glass, and stone products.....do....	105.1	104.8	r111.1	110.3	109.1	.....
Lumber and products.....do....	108.9	107.2	111.0	r115.4	116.2	.....
Furniture and fixtures.....do....	100.1	99.3	100.9	r99.9	97.9	.....

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ITEM	1970		1971			
	Aug.	Sept.	June	July	Aug.	Sept.
GENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORS -- Con.						
INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION (F.R. INDEX OF QUANTITY OUTPUT)--Con.						
SEASONALLY ADJ., TOTAL INDEX (INCL. UTIL.)--Con.						
BY INDUSTRY GROUPINGS--Con.						
MANUFACTURING, TOTAL--Con.						
Nondurable manufactures.....1967=100..	108.6	110.7	r113.7	r113.0	r112.9	112.8
Textile mill products.....do....	105.6	105.2	r113.2	r108.5	107.4	.....
Apparel products.....do....	97.0	96.8	r97.1	99.7	.....	.....
Leather and products.....do....	89.5	90.2	89.3	r86.7	84.1	.....
Paper and products.....do....	112.7	109.8	113.4	113.6	116.5	.....
Printing and publishing.....do....	104.6	104.5	101.0	r101.1	r102.0	102.7
Chemicals and products.....do....	119.4	121.5	r126.8	r125.0	r125.4	125.9
Petroleum products.....do....	112.1	112.9	r115.0	r114.8	115.0	.....
Rubber and plastics products.....do....	117.5	115.9	129.1	r128.0	127.9	.....
Foods.....do....	104.7	113.1	115.4	r114.8	r114.2	115.0
Tobacco products.....do....	100.4	100.5	92.1	96.6	.....	.....
MINING.....do....	108.9	110.9	r108.9	r105.8	r105.6	107.3
Coal.....do....	108.8	109.7	r109.4	r109.4	r104.9	106.4
Oil and gas extraction.....do....	108.7	111.5	110.0	r109.2	r109.2	109.3
Metal mining.....do....	129.1	130.5	r117.3	r93.3	100.7	.....
UTILITIES.....do....	130.5	133.9	r135.6	r137.8	r137.4	139.3
Electric.....do....	133.2	137.5	r138.3	r140.8	r140.2	147.5
CONSTRUCTION AND REAL ESTATE						
NEW HOUSING UNITS STARTED:						
Unadjusted:						
Total (private and public).....thous..	131.6	133.4	196.8	r197.0	r203.7	172.2
Privately owned.....do....	128.7	130.9	193.8	r194.3	r202.2	170.4
One-family structures.....do....	77.3	76.0	116.9	r107.7	r111.2	101.9
Seasonally adjusted at annual rates:						
Total privately owned.....do....	1,425	1,509	2,000	r2,229	r2,235	1,958
One-family structures.....do....	838	881	1,177	r1,187	r1,208	1,182
NEW PRIVATE HOUSING UNITS AUTHORIZED BY BUILDING PERMITS (13,000 permit-issuing places):						
Seasonally adjusted at annual rates:						
Total.....do....	1,378	1,388	1,849	2,052	r2,006	1,967
One-family structures.....do....	676	679	914	960	r908	882
New mortgage loans of all savings and loan associations, estimated total.....mil. \$..						
By purpose of loan:	2,111	2,183	4,301	r4,151	4,067	.....
Home construction.....do....	369	388	718	r686	628	.....
Home purchase.....do....	1,147	1,100	2,109	r2,087	2,209	.....
All other purposes.....do....	595	695	1,474	r1,378	1,230	.....
FINANCE						
AGRICULTURAL LOANS AND DISCOUNTS OUTSTANDING OF AGENCIES SUPERVISED BY THE FARM CREDIT ADM.:						
Total, end of month.....mil. \$..	14,338	14,443	16,146	16,137	16,107	.....
Farm mortgage loans: Federal land banks.....do....	7,061	7,101	7,579	7,650	7,709	.....
Loans to cooperatives.....do....	1,778	1,852	2,041	1,997	1,942	.....
Other loans and discounts.....do....	5,499	5,489	6,527	6,490	6,456	.....
SECURITY MARKETS:						
BONDS:						
Yields:						
Domestic corporate (Moody's).....percent..	8.73	8.68	8.14	8.14	8.12	7.97
By rating:						
Aaa.....do....	8.13	8.09	7.64	7.64	7.59	7.44
Aa.....do....	8.49	8.47	7.96	7.96	7.93	7.81
A.....do....	8.85	8.78	8.20	8.21	8.20	8.04
Baa.....do....	9.44	9.39	8.75	8.76	8.76	8.59
By group:						
Industrials.....do....	8.44	8.40	7.80	7.85	7.80	7.64
Public utilities.....do....	8.83	8.80	8.39	8.34	8.30	8.12
Railroads.....do....	9.19	9.10	8.43	8.46	8.48	8.39
STOCKS:						
Dividend rates, prices, yields, common stocks (Moody's):						
Dividends per share, annual rate, composite...dollars..	8.94	8.93	8.85	8.82	8.77	8.76
Industrials.....do....	9.70	9.70	9.57	9.53	9.43	7.28
Public utilities.....do....	4.71	4.71	4.78	4.78	4.78	4.78
Railroads.....do....	3.79	3.79	3.84	3.84	3.84	3.84
N.Y. banks.....do....	6.70	6.82	7.28	7.28	7.28	7.28
Property and casualty insurance companies.....do....	10.48	10.48	10.57	10.57	10.66	10.70
Price per share, end of mo., composite.....do....						
Industrials.....do....	221.25	226.91	261.94	251.35	262.95	261.31
Public utilities.....do....	264.25	272.90	320.58	305.79	322.28	320.26
Railroads.....do....	77.17	75.66	84.95	83.31	79.70	78.81
.....do....	57.02	65.13	84.56	81.86	93.50	93.32
Yields, composite.....percent..						
Industrials.....do....	4.04	3.94	3.38	3.51	3.34	3.35
Public utilities.....do....	3.67	3.55	2.99	3.12	2.93	2.94
Railroads.....do....	6.10	6.23	5.63	5.74	6.00	6.07
N.Y. banks.....do....	6.65	5.82	4.54	4.69	4.11	4.11
Property and casualty insurance companies.....do....	3.83	3.99	4.39	4.46	4.34	4.31
.....do....	4.15	4.01	3.15	3.15	r3.08	3.11

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## MONTHLY BUSINESS STATISTICS—Continued

ITEM	1970		1971			
	July	Aug.	May	June	July	Aug.
METALS AND MANUFACTURES						
STEEL PRODUCTS, NET SHIPMENTS:						
Total (all grades).....thous. of short tons..	7,759	7,511	9,341	9,810	9,163	3,703
Semifinished products.....do.....	586	470	452	497	454	144
Structural shapes (heavy), steel piling.....do.....	534	472	554	617	631	190
Plates.....do.....	685	631	802	860	871	267
Rails and accessories.....do.....	119	100	156	167	161	65
Bars and tool steel, total.....do.....	1,249	1,262	1,447	1,472	1,430	703
Bars:						
Hot rolled (incl. light shapes).....do.....	651	676	861	844	796	310
Reinforcing.....do.....	469	456	441	476	509	307
Cold finished.....do.....	123	123	138	146	118	79
Pipe and tubing.....do.....	657	661	750	769	815	492
Wiring and wire products.....do.....	254	263	289	310	312	138
Tin mill products.....do.....	603	663	749	865	1,040	229
Sheets and strip (incl. electrical), total.....do.....	3,071	2,988	4,141	4,252	3,448	1,475
Sheets: Hot rolled.....do.....	1,077	993	1,315	1,394	1,228	471
Cold rolled.....do.....	1,240	1,229	1,825	1,825	1,345	545
STEEL MILL PRODUCTS, INVENTORIES, END OF MONTH:						
Consumers' (manufacturers only).....mil. sh. tons..	9.2	9.5	13.0	14.6	15.9	14.5
Service centers (warehouses).....do.....	6.2	6.6	7.5	7.4	7.7	.....
Producing mills:						
In process (ingots, semifinished, etc.).....do.....	11.7	11.9	11.7	10.9	10.2	10.5
Finished (sheets, plates, bars, pipe, etc.).....do.....	9.5	9.5	10.5	9.3	7.5	7.7
TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT						
REGISTRATIONS (new vehicles): 1/						
Passenger cars.....thous.....	837.7	683.2	838.7	897.0	806.0	780.6
Import cars.....do.....	112.2	109.9	126.7	138.6	130.4	140.2
Trucks.....do.....	179.4	159.4	171.5	178.1	177.6	166.7
RAILROAD EQUIPMENT:						
Freight cars (all railroads and private car lines):						
Shipments.....number.....	5,446	5,164	5,252	5,401	3,305	3,329
Equipment manufacturers.....do.....	4,457	4,127	4,381	4,205	2,696	2,852
New orders.....do.....	4,340	2,148	6,670	8,521	3,807	1,211
Equipment manufacturers.....do.....	4,226	2,148	6,570	6,321	3,652	1,211
Unfilled orders, end of month.....do.....	29,040	25,782	24,944	27,977	28,547	26,429
Equipment manufacturers.....do.....	23,074	20,853	21,227	23,256	24,280	22,639

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