



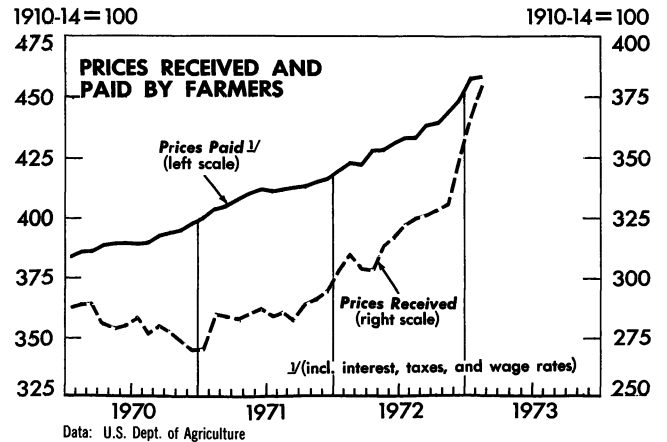
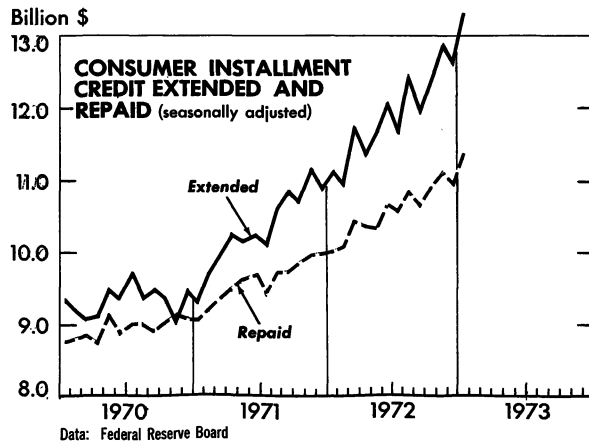
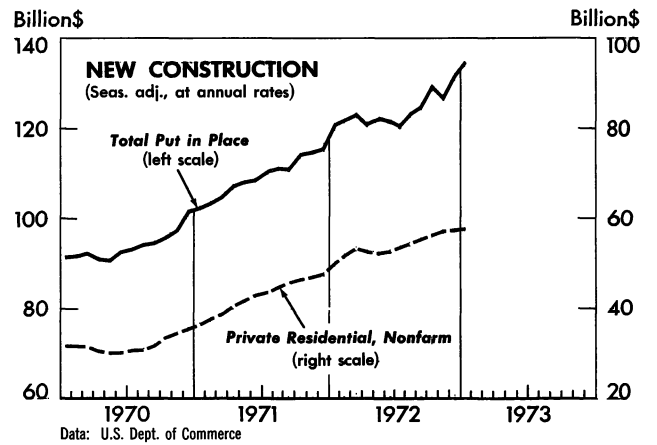
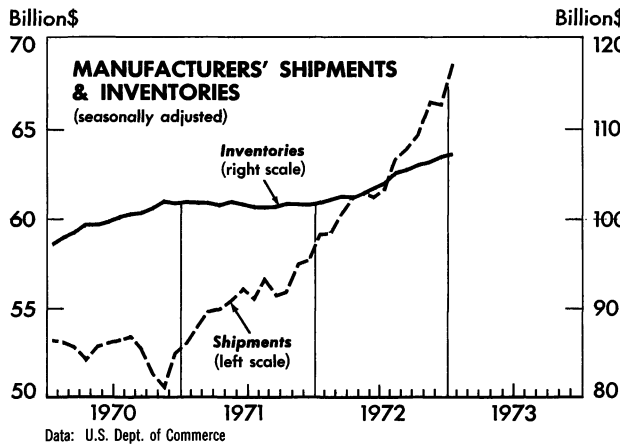
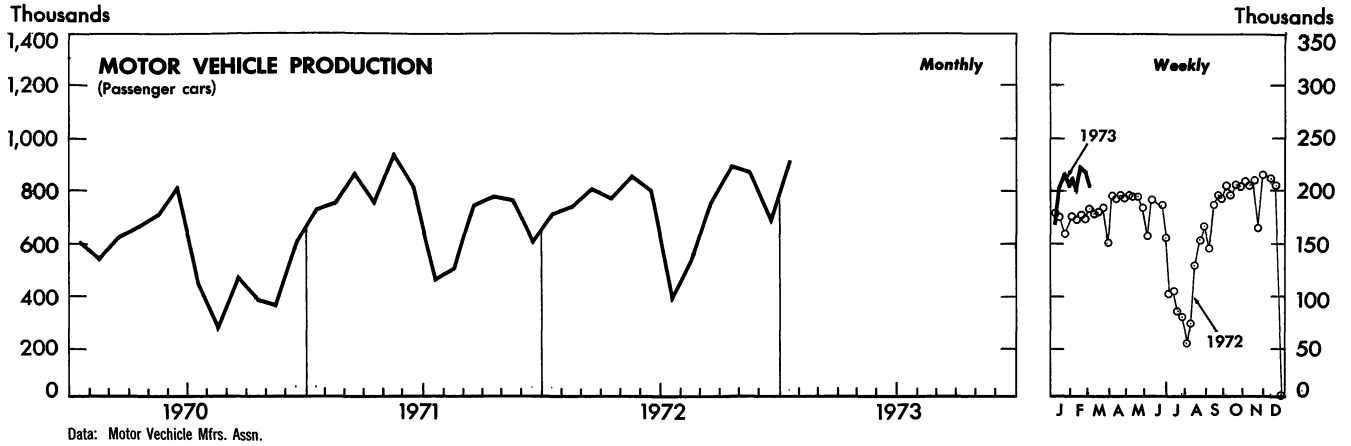
# BUSINESS STATISTICS



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WEEKLY BUSINESS STATISTICS<sup>1</sup>

ITEM	1972		1973			
	Feb. 26	Mar. 4	Feb. 10	Feb. 17	Feb. 24	Mar. 3
WHOLESALE PRICES, 22 COMMODITIES <u>2/</u> .....1967=100..	112.5	112.7	138.5	142.8	144.6	146.1
ALL RETAIL STORES, SALES.....mil. \$..	7,503	7,853	8,171	8,400	8,555	.....
Nondurable goods stores.....do....	4,972	5,218	5,465	5,603	5,528	.....
INITIAL UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIMS, State programs.....thous..	252	264	276	243	221	.....
INSURED UNEMPLOYMENT, all programs.....do....	3,118	3,053	2,248	2,245	.....	.....
State programs (50 States, D.C., and Puerto Rico)....do....	2,474	2,412	2,063	2,060	.....	.....
FAILURES, INDUST. AND COMMERCIAL (Dun & Bradstreet).number..	166	226	170	194	188	221
<b>FINANCE:</b>						
Currency in circulation <u>3/</u> .....mil. \$..	59,736	59,696	64,277	64,673	64,743	64,567
Federal Reserve bank credit outstanding, total <u>3/</u> ...do....	74,000	72,863	77,183	77,675	77,862	77,631
Member bank reserve balances <u>3/</u> .....do....	31,823	31,614	31,812	31,826	31,976	31,306
Excess reserves, estimated <u>3/</u> .....do....	130	82	113	194	446	0
Assets and liabilities of large commercial banks: <u>4/</u>						
Demand deposits, adjusted.....do....	83,912	86,494	97,004	96,530	95,605	.....
Savings deposits.....do....	56,432	56,578	58,175	58,088	58,111	.....
Loans and investments, gross adjusted, total.....do....	270,601	273,317	310,585	311,563	311,984	.....
U.S. Government obligations.....do....	27,460	27,927	27,638	27,005	25,830	.....
Commercial and industrial loans (gross).....do....	82,136	82,627	93,339	94,692	95,159	.....
Real estate loans (gross).....do....	39,315	39,178	46,562	46,741	46,892	.....
Bond yields, domestic corporate (Moody's) <u>3/</u> ....percent..	7.67	7.67	7.57	7.57	7.57	7.57
Stock prices, 500 stocks (Stand. & Poor's) <u>4/</u> .1941-43=10..	105.38	107.35	113.66	115.10	114.69	111.68
Industrial, 425 stocks.....do....	117.07	119.40	127.23	128.97	128.50	125.09
<b>PRODUCTION:</b>						
Bituminous coal.....thous. sh. tons..	10,650	10,590	10,545	10,905	11,010	.....
Electric power, by utilities.....mil. kw.-hr..	32,627	31,868	35,799	36,947	35,814	.....
Motor vehicles (passenger cars).....number..	175,908	184,736	200,453	223,826	218,150	203,158
Petroleum (crude) and condensate <u>3/</u> .....thous. bbl..	9,454	9,509	9,384	9,329	9,389	.....
Steel, raw.....thous. sh. tons..	2,439	2,487	2,886	2,883	2,908	2,919
Index of production.....1967=100..	100.0	101.9	118.3	118.2	119.2	119.6
RAIL FREIGHT, REVENUE TON-MILES.....bil..	14.1	14.9	15.7	16.0	15.9	.....

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

## MONTHLY BUSINESS STATISTICS

ITEM	1971	1972				1973
	Dec.	Jan.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.
<b>GENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORS</b>						
<b>MANUFACTURERS' SHIPMENTS:</b>						
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED, TOTAL.....mil. \$..	55,321	55,032	67,035	66,310	r63,477	63,805
Durable goods industries, total <u>1/</u> .....do....	29,696	29,535	37,182	36,557	r34,801	35,681
Stone, clay, and glass products.....do....	1,575	1,628	2,281	2,114	r1,892	1,911
Primary metals.....do....	4,209	4,565	5,560	5,437	r5,465	5,609
Fabricated metal products.....do....	3,088	2,950	3,680	3,448	r3,353	3,327
Machinery, except electrical.....do....	5,127	4,929	5,717	5,602	r5,813	5,923
Electrical machinery.....do....	4,544	4,274	5,109	5,224	r5,053	4,785
Transportation equipment.....do....	6,822	6,983	9,246	9,287	r8,311	9,146
Instruments and related products.....do....	990	903	1,130	1,152	r1,100	1,028
Nondurable goods industries, total <u>1/</u> .....do....	25,625	25,497	29,853	29,753	r28,676	28,124
Food and kindred products.....do....	8,883	8,449	9,839	9,961	r9,986	9,212
Tobacco products.....do....	479	487	526	547	r519	499
Textile mill products.....do....	2,077	1,994	2,448	2,485	r2,405	2,286
Paper and allied products.....do....	2,077	2,216	2,480	2,416	r2,296	2,505
Chemicals and allied products.....do....	4,026	4,381	4,960	4,818	r4,693	4,774
Petroleum and coal products.....do....	2,149	2,186	2,384	2,468	r2,530	2,509
Rubber and plastics products.....do....	1,314	1,346	1,598	1,493	r1,387	1,465
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED, TOTAL.....do....	57,740	59,189	64,725	66,553	r66,387	68,642
By industry group:						
Durable goods industries, total <u>1/</u> .....do....	30,913	31,965	36,086	36,750	r36,378	38,569
Stone, clay, and glass products.....do....	1,763	1,880	2,130	2,149	r2,119	2,204
Primary metals.....do....	4,610	4,704	5,752	5,747	r5,997	5,774
Fabricated metal products.....do....	3,196	3,241	3,562	3,490	r3,473	3,666
Machinery, except electrical.....do....	5,280	5,274	5,779	5,933	r6,033	6,338
Electrical machinery.....do....	4,498	4,784	4,833	5,075	r5,003	5,368
Transportation equipment.....do....	6,844	7,381	8,759	8,797	r8,391	9,648
Instruments and related products.....do....	985	1,004	1,087	1,126	r1,096	1,143

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ITEM	1971		1972				1973	
	Dec.	Jan.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.		
<b>GENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORS--Con.</b>								
<b>MANUFACTURERS' SHIPMENTS (SEAS. ADJ.)--Con.</b>								
By industry group--Con.								
Nondurable goods industries, total <u>1/</u> .....mil. \$..	26,827	27,224	28,639	29,803	r30,009	30,073		
Food and kindred products.....do.....	8,951	8,986	9,411	9,869	r10,055	9,816		
Tobacco products.....do.....	484	526	533	549	r525	538		
Textile mill products.....do.....	2,174	2,182	2,214	2,426	r2,520	2,506		
Paper and allied products.....do.....	2,184	2,305	2,412	2,453	r2,419	2,609		
Chemicals and allied products.....do.....	4,490	4,643	4,907	4,983	r5,235	5,078		
Petroleum and coal products.....do.....	2,140	2,206	2,377	2,476	r2,517	2,529		
Rubber and plastics products.....do.....	1,421	1,444	1,536	1,546	r1,501	1,572		
<b>INVENTORIES, END OF MONTH:</b>								
Book value (unadjusted), total.....do.....	101,293	102,098	105,311	105,849	r106,645	107,544		
Durable goods industries, total.....do.....	65,446	66,134	68,840	69,233	r69,696	70,269		
Nondurable goods industries, total.....do.....	35,847	35,964	36,471	36,616	r36,949	37,275		
Book value (seasonally adjusted), total.....do.....	101,665	101,796	106,008	106,371	r107,047	107,260		
By industry group:								
Durable goods industries, total <u>1/</u> .....do.....	65,874	66,187	69,330	69,641	r70,144	70,369		
Stone, clay, and glass products.....do.....	2,279	2,257	2,385	2,378	r2,381	2,352		
Primary metals.....do.....	9,205	9,328	9,664	9,617	r9,619	9,571		
Fabricated metal products.....do.....	7,268	7,345	7,605	7,541	r7,551	7,566		
Machinery, except electrical.....do.....	13,497	13,446	13,747	13,944	r14,129	14,218		
Electrical machinery.....do.....	9,837	9,797	10,262	10,323	r10,423	10,706		
Transportation equipment.....do.....	15,179	15,279	16,486	16,581	r16,724	16,687		
Instruments and related products.....do.....	2,452	2,512	2,613	2,625	r2,615	2,560		
Nondurable goods industries, total <u>1/</u> .....do.....	35,791	35,609	36,678	36,730	r36,903	36,891		
Food and kindred products.....do.....	9,169	9,061	9,322	9,294	r9,294	9,471		
Tobacco products.....do.....	2,235	2,256	2,329	2,390	r2,456	2,421		
Textile mill products.....do.....	3,622	3,636	3,859	3,867	r3,842	3,882		
Paper and allied products.....do.....	2,772	2,743	2,786	2,793	r2,799	2,817		
Chemicals and allied products.....do.....	6,693	6,667	6,801	6,831	r6,846	6,857		
Petroleum and coal products.....do.....	2,266	2,235	2,261	2,264	r2,200	2,134		
Rubber and plastics products.....do.....	2,151	2,175	2,255	2,277	r2,332	2,310		
<b>NEW ORDERS, NET (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED), TOTAL.....do.....</b>								
Durable goods industries, total.....do.....	55,663	56,620	67,748	67,102	r65,071	66,314		
Nondurable goods industries, total.....do.....	30,026	31,043	37,792	37,167	r36,350	38,059		
Nondurable goods industries, total.....do.....	25,637	25,577	29,956	29,935	r28,721	28,255		
<b>NEW ORDERS, NET (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED), TOTAL.....do.....</b>								
57,883	59,871	65,454	67,587	67,587	r67,668	70,020		
By industry group:								
Durable goods industries, total.....do.....	31,001	32,554	36,759	37,619	r37,562	39,798		
Primary metals.....do.....	4,662	4,644	5,727	5,914	r5,968	6,078		
Fabricated metal products.....do.....	3,190	3,261	3,554	3,417	r3,811	3,848		
Machinery, except electrical.....do.....	5,302	5,384	6,074	6,423	r6,583	6,789		
Electrical machinery.....do.....	4,371	4,329	5,174	5,322	r5,189	5,281		
Transportation equipment.....do.....	7,000	8,366	8,990	8,849	r8,480	10,076		
Nondurable goods industries, total.....do.....	26,882	27,317	28,695	29,968	r30,106	30,222		
Industries with unfilled orders.....do.....	7,076	7,284	7,710	8,049	r7,951	8,323		
Industries without unfilled orders.....do.....	19,806	20,033	20,985	21,919	r22,155	21,750		
<b>UNFILLED ORDERS, END OF MONTH (UNADJ.), TOTAL.....do.....</b>								
72,478	74,066	82,225	83,015	83,015	r84,611	87,125		
Durable goods industries, total.....do.....	69,415	70,923	78,504	79,115	r80,665	83,049		
Nondurable goods industries with unfilled orders.....do.....	3,063	3,143	3,721	3,900	r3,946	4,076		
<b>UNFILLED ORDERS, END OF MONTH (SEAS. ADJ.), TOTAL.....do.....</b>								
73,004	73,686	82,906	83,947	83,947	r85,226	86,615		
By industry group:								
Durable goods industries, total <u>1/</u> .....do.....	69,901	70,490	79,174	80,047	r81,123	82,469		
Primary metals.....do.....	6,043	5,983	8,335	8,503	r8,474	8,780		
Fabricated metal products.....do.....	9,442	9,462	10,097	10,025	r10,364	10,545		
Machinery, except electrical.....do.....	12,632	12,742	14,477	14,969	r15,522	15,975		
Electrical machinery.....do.....	14,430	13,975	14,910	15,157	r15,342	15,256		
Transportation equipment.....do.....	21,289	22,274	24,869	24,922	r25,009	25,439		
Nondurable goods industries with unfilled orders.....do.....	3,103	3,196	3,732	3,900	r3,995	4,146		
<b>1972</b>								
<b>1973</b>								
	Jan.	Feb.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.		
<b>COMMODITY PRICES</b>								
<b>PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS, ALL FARM PRODUCTS...1910=100..</b>								
Crops.....do.....	303	310	331	348	365	379		
Commercial vegetables.....do.....	251	248	272	287	295	299		
Cotton.....do.....	356	320	360	337	402	395		
Feed grains and hay.....do.....	255	255	229	216	187	199		
Food grains.....do.....	173	173	191	221	223	216		
Fruit.....do.....	165	166	239	283	283	243		
Tobacco.....do.....	255	259	273	263	282	301		
Livestock and products.....do.....	671	664	705	704	707	704		
Dairy products.....do.....	349	363	381	401	424	447		
Meat animals.....do.....	369	365	388	394	391	392		
Poultry and eggs.....do.....	453	481	496	524	560	612		
Poultry and eggs.....do.....	130	130	150	168	192	179		
<b>PRICES PAID BY FARMERS:</b>								
All commodities and services.....do.....	360	363	381	386	394	401		
Family living items.....do.....	391	395	408	410	414	421		
Production items.....do.....	338	340	361	369	379	386		
All commod., services, int., taxes, and wage rates.....do.....	420	r422	r443	449	458	465		
PARITY RATIO.....do.....	72	73	75	78	80	82		

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## MONTHLY BUSINESS STATISTICS—Continued

ITEM	1971	1972				1973
	Dec.	Jan.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.
<b>CONSTRUCTION AND REAL ESTATE</b>						
NEW CONSTRUCTION PUT IN PLACE (UNADJ.), TOTAL.....mil. \$..	9,175	8,417	11,583	r11,065	r10,520	9,463
Private, total.....do.....	7,043	6,353	8,697	r8,523	r8,133	7,355
Residential (incl. farm).....do.....	3,890	3,542	5,046	r4,946	r4,678	4,161
New housing units.....do.....	3,214	2,963	4,234	r4,180	r3,953	3,529
Nonresidential buildings, total <u>1</u> /.....do.....	1,913	1,748	2,221	2,121	r2,051	2,021
Industrial.....do.....	433	362	397	399	r420	412
Commercial.....do.....	1,023	956	1,274	1,187	r1,137	1,136
Public, total.....do.....	2,132	2,064	2,886	2,542	r2,387	2,108
NEW CONSTRUCTION PUT IN PLACE (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED AT ANNUAL RATES), TOTAL.....bil. \$..	115.6	120.8	129.1	126.7	r132.3	134.9
Private, total.....do.....	85.2	88.6	96.3	97.4	r98.3	102.1
Residential (incl. farm).....do.....	47.9	49.6	56.4	57.1	r57.4	57.8
New housing units.....do.....	38.7	40.4	46.7	r47.5	r47.5	47.9
Nonresidential buildings, total <u>1</u> /.....do.....	23.0	23.9	24.3	24.2	r24.7	27.7
Industrial.....do.....	4.9	4.9	4.3	4.6	r4.8	5.6
Commercial.....do.....	12.4	13.3	13.8	13.4	r13.7	15.8
Public, total.....do.....	30.3	32.2	32.8	29.3	r34.1	32.7
<b>CONSTRUCTION COST INDEXES:</b>						
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE COMPOSITE.....1967=100..	135	135	140	141	141	143
<b>FINANCE</b>						
<b>CONSUMER CREDIT (SHORT- AND INTERMEDIATE-TERM):</b>						
Total outstanding, end of month.....mil. \$..	138,394	137,426	150,576	152,968	157,564	157,227
Installment credit, total.....do.....	111,295	110,757	122,505	124,325	127,332	127,368
Installment credit, extended and repaid:						
Unadjusted:						
Extended, total.....do.....	12,445	9,469	12,337	12,806	13,643	11,923
Repaid, total.....do.....	10,238	10,007	11,025	10,986	10,636	11,887
Seasonally adjusted:						
Extended, total.....do.....	10,866	11,116	12,404	12,846	12,627	13,304
Repaid, total.....do.....	9,976	10,015	10,908	11,128	10,964	11,355

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