

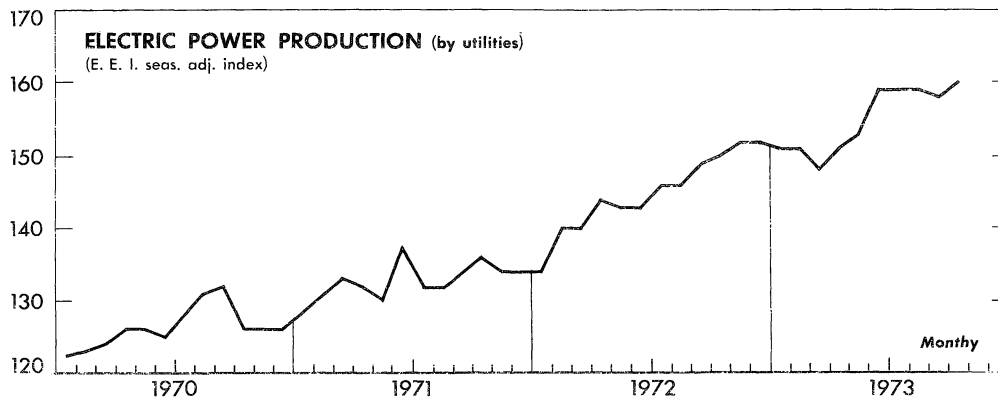
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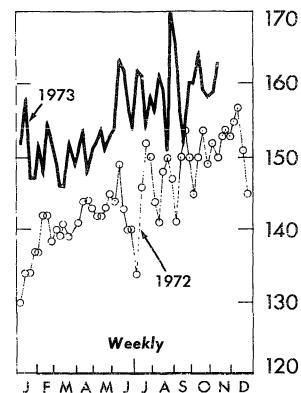
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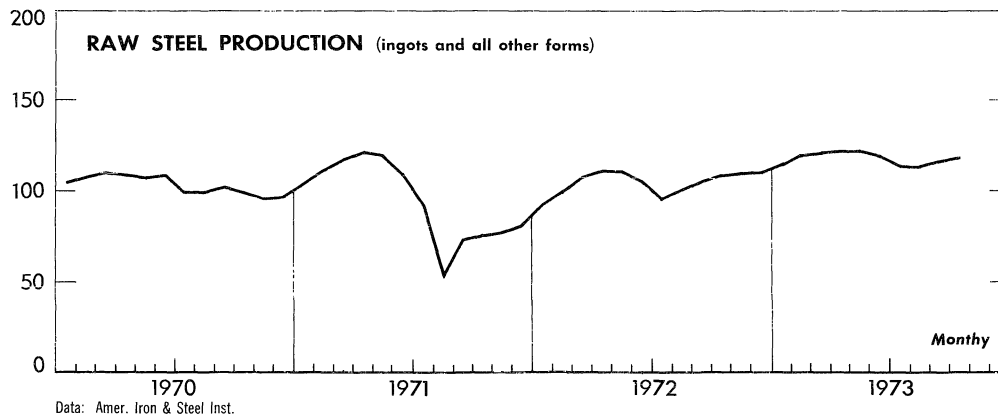
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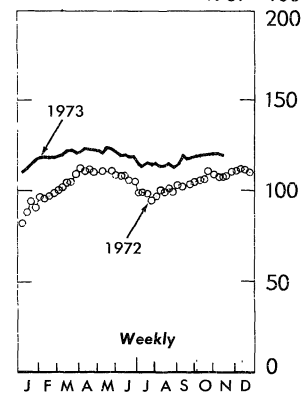
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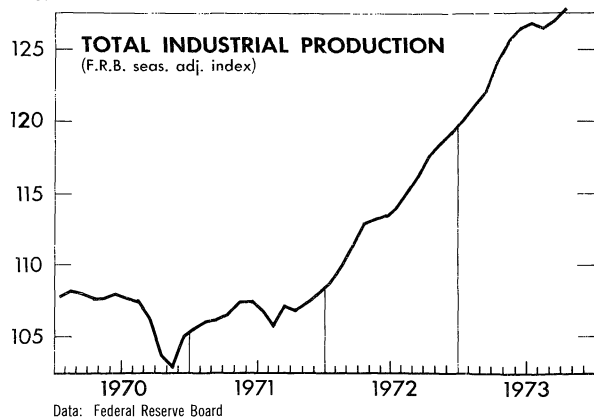
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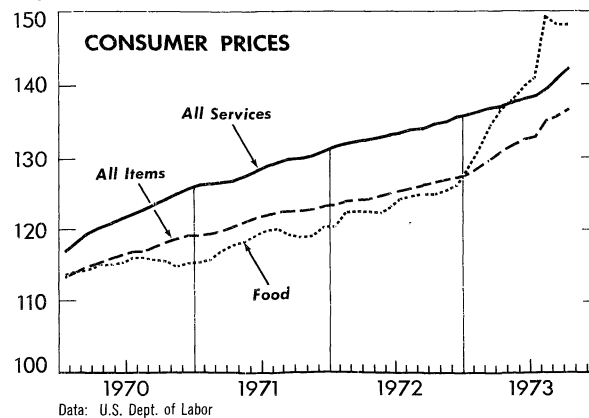
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ITEM	1972		1973			
	Nov. 18	Nov. 25	Nov. 3	Nov. 10	Nov. 17	Nov. 24
WHOLESALE PRICES, 22 COMMODITIES ^{2/}1967=100..	125.9	126.5	187.5	191.9	190.8	194.1
ALL RETAIL STORES, SALES.....mil. \$..	9,340	8,976	10,223	10,105	10,499	.....
Nondurable goods stores.....do.....	6,221	6,191	6,766	6,890	7,070	.....
INITIAL UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIMS, State programs.....thous..	281	238	230	278	.....	.....
INSURED UNEMPLOYMENT, all programs.....do.....	1,624	1,810	1,666	.....	.....	.....
State programs (50 States, D.C., and Puerto Rico).....do....	1,446	1,617	1,338	.....	.....	.....
FALLURES, INDUST. AND COMMERCIAL (Dun & Bradstreet).....do....	175	132	153	181	189	180
FINANCE:						
Currency in circulation ^{3/}.....mil. \$..	64,471	64,807	68,776	69,061	69,835	70,181
Federal Reserve bank credit outstanding, total ^{3/}.....do....	75,528	69,606	83,294	82,648	78,096	76,612
Member bank reserve balances ^{3/}.....do.....	32,132	30,728	34,966	34,572	34,728	34,960
Excess reserves, estimated ^{3/}.....do.....	786	189	123	202	21	242
Assets and liabilities of large commercial banks: ^{4/}						
Demand deposits, adjusted.....do.....	97,917	96,268	99,610	97,395	98,284	.....
Savings deposits.....do.....	58,189	58,237	56,135	56,257	56,256	.....
Loans and investments, gross adjusted, total.....do.....	300,173	298,978	341,626	345,399	342,489	.....
U.S. Government obligations.....do.....	26,318	26,597	23,195	24,180	24,126	.....
Commercial and industrial loans (gross).....do.....	88,404	88,535	106,719	107,069	106,974	.....
Real estate loans (gross).....do.....	45,297	45,543	53,865	53,953	54,187	.....
Bond yields, domestic corporate (Moody's) ^{3/}.....percent..	7.53	7.49	7.99	8.01	8.02	8.02
Stock prices, 500 stocks (Stand. & Poor's) ^{4/} ..1941-43=10..	114.50	116.90	108.29	105.80	102.45	.....
Industrial, 425 stocks.....do.....	127.70	130.25	121.72	118.84	115.16	110.87
PRODUCTION:						
Bituminous coal.....thous. sh. tons..	12,040	9,895	11,995	12,255	11,755	.....
Electric power, by utilities.....mil. kw.-hr..	34,089	33,472	34,752	35,780	34,712	.....
Motor vehicles (passenger cars).....number..	209,586	165,170	219,792	210,520	208,673	162,187
Petroleum (crude) and condensate ^{3/}.....thous. bbl..	9,537	9,571	9,309	9,281	9,053	.....
Steel, raw.....thous. sh. tons..	2,636	2,683	2,929	2,932	2,907	2,959
Index of production.....1967=100..	108.0	110.0	120.1	120.2	119.2	121.3
RAIL FREIGHT, REVENUE TON-MILES.....bil..	16.1	13.9	17.6	17.2	.....	.....

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

MONTHLY BUSINESS STATISTICS

ITEM	1972		1973			
	Sept.	Oct.	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.
GENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORS						
MANUFACTURERS' SHIPMENTS: ^{1/}						
Value (not seasonally adjusted):						
Durable goods industries, total.....mil. \$..	36,579	37,058	36,640	37,291	r40,945	42,114
Primary metals.....do.....	5,122	5,138	5,536	5,846	r6,155	6,330
Transportation equipment.....do.....	9,543	10,155	9,151	8,281	10,134	11,068
Value (seasonally adjusted):						
Durable goods industries, total.....do.....	35,249	36,302	40,779	39,633	r40,162	41,302
Primary metals.....do.....	5,212	5,437	6,023	6,165	r6,266	6,721
Transportation equipment.....do.....	9,411	9,820	11,173	10,281	r10,697	10,613
Supplementary series:						
Household durables.....do.....	2,698	2,734	3,095	3,084	r3,042	3,188
Capital goods industries.....do.....	10,256	10,539	12,138	11,687	r12,032	12,071
Nondefense.....do.....	8,705	8,966	10,465	10,135	r10,425	10,417
Defense.....do.....	1,551	1,573	1,673	1,552	r1,607	1,654
MANUFACTURERS' ORDERS: ^{1/}						
New orders, net (not seasonally adjusted):						
Durable goods industries, total.....do.....	38,466	37,690	39,411	39,737	r42,703	44,012
New orders, net (seasonally adjusted):						
Durable goods industries, total.....do.....	37,292	37,127	42,697	42,689	r42,259	43,427
Primary metals.....do.....	5,441	5,512	6,658	7,150	r6,325	6,925
Transportation equipment.....do.....	10,003	10,150	10,980	10,948	r10,978	11,229
Supplementary series:						
Household durables.....do.....	2,796	2,797	3,154	2,996	r3,055	3,262
Capital goods industries.....do.....	11,530	11,062	12,603	12,887	r12,832	13,168
Nondefense.....do.....	9,727	9,625	11,404	11,032	r11,267	11,322
Defense.....do.....	1,803	1,437	1,199	1,855	r1,565	1,846
Unfilled orders, end of month (unadjusted):						
Durable goods industries, total.....do.....	78,295	78,927	98,995	101,441	r103,198	105,098
Unfilled orders, end of month (seasonally adjusted):						
Durable goods industries, total.....do.....	78,858	79,683	99,560	102,621	r104,716	106,842
Primary metals.....do.....	7,799	7,874	13,815	14,798	r14,857	15,063
Transportation equipment.....do.....	25,254	25,584	28,932	29,598	r29,878	30,495

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	Sept.	Oct.	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.
GENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORS--Con.						
MANUFACTURERS' ORDERS--Con. 1/						
Unfilled orders, end of month (seas. adj.)--Con.						
Supplementary series:						
Household durables.....mil. \$..	1,972	2,035	2,288	2,201	r2,213	2,286
Capital goods industries.....do....	48,121	48,644	56,773	57,974	r58,771	59,867
Nondefense.....do.....	28,549	29,208	36,303	37,202	r38,042	38,945
Defense.....do.....	19,572	19,436	20,470	20,772	r20,729	20,922
COMMODITY PRICES						
CONSUMER PRICE INDEXES:						
Unadjusted indexes:						
All items.....1967=100..	126.2	126.6	132.7	135.1	135.5	136.6
Special group indexes:						
All items less food.....do....	126.7	127.1	130.4	130.9	131.8	133.1
All items less medical care.....do....	125.9	126.2	132.5	135.0	135.4	136.4
Commodities.....do.....	122.0	122.3	129.7	132.8	132.8	133.5
Nondurables.....do.....	122.8	123.1	132.4	136.6	136.5	137.4
Nondurables less food.....do....	120.8	121.3	124.4	124.7	125.5	127.0
Durables.....do.....	119.8	120.1	122.4	122.6	122.6	123.2
Services.....do.....	134.1	134.6	138.4	139.3	140.6	142.2
Services less rent.....do.....	136.7	137.2	141.0	141.9	143.4	145.2
Food.....do.....	124.8	124.9	140.9	149.4	148.3	148.4
Meats, poultry, and fish.....do....	130.9	131.3	157.8	184.0	180.2	170.7
Dairy products.....do.....	116.9	117.1	124.1	126.6	130.3	137.3
Fruits and vegetables.....do.....	125.7	124.5	153.7	152.6	137.3	138.8
Housing.....do.....	130.1	130.4	134.2	135.2	136.6	138.1
Shelter.....do.....	135.7	136.0	139.7	141.1	142.9	144.7
Rent.....do.....	119.9	120.3	124.4	125.0	125.4	125.9
Homeownership.....do.....	141.5	141.8	145.2	147.0	149.2	151.5
Fuel and utilities.....do.....	120.3	120.6	125.7	126.3	126.8	128.6
Fuel oil and coal.....do.....	118.0	118.1	131.7	132.8	133.6	141.1
Gas and electricity.....do.....	120.5	120.9	125.5	125.8	126.5	127.4
Household furnishings and operation.....do....	121.6	121.8	125.0	125.3	126.1	126.7
Apparel and upkeep.....do.....	123.1	124.3	125.8	126.5	128.3	129.6
Transportation.....do.....	121.0	121.2	124.8	124.5	123.9	125.0
Private.....do.....	118.6	118.7	122.6	122.3	121.6	122.9
New cars.....do.....	109.6	110.1	110.9	110.6	109.1	111.9
Used cars.....do.....	113.6	115.2	122.7	121.3	120.3	118.5
Public.....do.....	144.0	144.1	144.9	144.9	145.5	145.2
Health and recreation.....do.....	126.8	127.2	130.3	130.5	131.1	132.1
Medical care.....do.....	133.1	133.9	137.3	137.6	138.3	140.6
Personal care.....do.....	120.5	120.8	125.3	125.7	126.3	127.3
Reading and recreation.....do.....	123.7	124.0	126.2	126.1	126.8	127.2
PURCHASING POWER OF THE DOLLAR AS MEASURED BY--						
Consumer prices.....1967=\$1.00..	\$0.792	\$0.790	\$0.754	\$0.740	\$0.738	\$0.732
LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT, AND EARNINGS						
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED						
EMPLOYEES ON PAYROLLS of nonagric. estab., total.....thous..	73,268	73,584	r75,478	r75,747	r75,972	p76,277
Private sector.....do.....	59,883	60,178	61,883	r62,110	r62,301	p62,581
Nonmanufacturing industries.....do....	40,814	40,968	42,079	r42,249	r42,425	p42,600
Goods-producing.....do.....	23,226	23,379	24,115	r24,171	r24,203	p24,303
Mining.....do.....	606	608	631	r634	r633	p638
Contract construction.....do.....	3,551	3,561	3,680	r3,676	r3,694	p3,689
Manufacturing.....do.....	19,069	19,210	19,804	r19,861	r19,876	p19,981
Durable goods.....do.....	11,003	11,112	11,646	r11,692	r11,707	p11,793
Nondurable goods.....do.....	8,066	8,098	8,158	r8,169	r8,169	p8,188
Service-producing.....do.....	50,042	50,205	r51,363	r51,576	r51,769	p51,969
Transportation, communication, elec., gas, etc.....do....	4,507	4,540	4,598	r4,617	r4,632	p4,666
Wholesale and retail trade.....do.....	15,794	15,839	16,294	r16,352	r16,393	p16,468
Wholesale trade.....do.....	3,946	3,958	4,071	r4,099	r4,125	p4,151
Retail trade.....do.....	11,848	11,881	12,223	r12,253	r12,268	p12,317
Finance, insurance, and real estate.....do....	3,953	3,969	4,048	r4,064	r4,077	p4,086
Services.....do.....	12,403	12,451	12,828	r12,906	r12,996	p13,053
Government.....do.....	13,385	13,406	r13,595	r13,637	r13,671	p13,696
Federal.....do.....	2,633	2,639	r2,588	r2,599	r2,609	p2,608
State and local.....do.....	10,752	10,767	11,007	r11,038	r11,062	p11,088
Earnings per production or nonsupervisory worker on pay-rolls of private nonfarm establishments:						
Average hourly earnings index, seasonally adjusted:						
Current dollars.....1967=100..	139.3	140.4	146.9	r147.6	r148.7	p149.5
1967 dollars.....do.....	110.4	110.9	110.9	r109.3	r109.8	p109.4
Gross average weekly earnings:						
Current dollars, seasonally adjusted.....do....	137.64	139.13	145.45	145.04	r146.94	p147.26
1967 dollars, seasonally adjusted.....do....	109.07	109.89	109.77	107.39	r108.45	p107.80
Spendable average weekly earnings (married worker with three dependents):						
Current dollars, seasonally adjusted.....do....	122.26	123.43	127.42	127.11	r128.57	p128.82
1967 dollars, seasonally adjusted.....do....	96.89	97.49	96.16	94.11	r94.89	p94.30

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FINANCE						
Commercial bank credit (last Wednesday of month, except for June 30 and Dec. 31 call dates), seas. adj.:						
Total loans and investments <u>1</u> /.....bil. \$.	535.6	540.5	601.4	610.9	r618.2	621.7
Loans <u>1</u> /.....do.....	360.1	366.9	423.3	433.7	r438.1	440.0
U.S. Government securities.....do.....	62.0	59.9	58.7	56.6	r56.3	54.9
Other securities.....do.....	113.5	113.6	119.5	120.6	123.8	126.8
METALS AND MANUFACTURES						
MACHINE TOOLS:						
Metal cutting type tools:						
Orders, new (net), total.....mil. \$.	97.50	94.45	131.30	r127.35	r168.70	p185.40
Domestic.....do.....	76.80	84.35	108.20	r111.45	r138.80	p166.75
Shipments, total.....do.....	76.25	63.85	72.65	r76.90	r95.75	p96.85
Domestic.....do.....	65.00	56.05	63.15	r64.85	r79.45	p84.30
Order backlog, end of month.....do.....	599.0	629.6	1,115.4	r1,165.9	r1,238.9	pl,327.5
Metal forming type tools:						
Orders, new (net), total.....do.....	42.25	47.35	52.90	r58.30	r61.55	p73.50
Domestic.....do.....	38.05	42.10	48.40	r52.50	r53.50	p66.45
Shipments, total.....do.....	19.95	27.40	30.05	r33.85	r36.40	p38.40
Domestic.....do.....	18.10	25.95	27.45	r29.35	r32.40	p31.85
Order backlog, end of month.....do.....	206.3	226.2	517.4	r541.9	r 567.1	p602.2
TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT						
RETAIL SALES, NEW PASSENGER CARS:						
Total, not seasonally adjusted.....thous.	879	1,069	960	838	875	979
Domestics.....do.....	741	932	808	686	754	858
Imports.....do.....	138	137	152	152	121	121
Total, seasonally adjusted at annual rates.....mil.	11.9	11.2	11.9	11.6	11.6	9.8
Domestics.....do.....	10.2	9.6	10.0	9.9	10.2	8.4
Imports.....do.....	1.6	1.6	1.8	1.7	1.5	1.3
Retail inventories, new cars (domestics), end of month:						
Not seasonally adjusted.....thous.	1,300	1,288	1,612	1,387	1,360	1,479
Seasonally adjusted.....do.....	1,485	1,492	1,592	1,553	1,478	1,664
Inventory-sales ratio, new cars (domestics).....ratio.	1.7	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.7	2.4

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