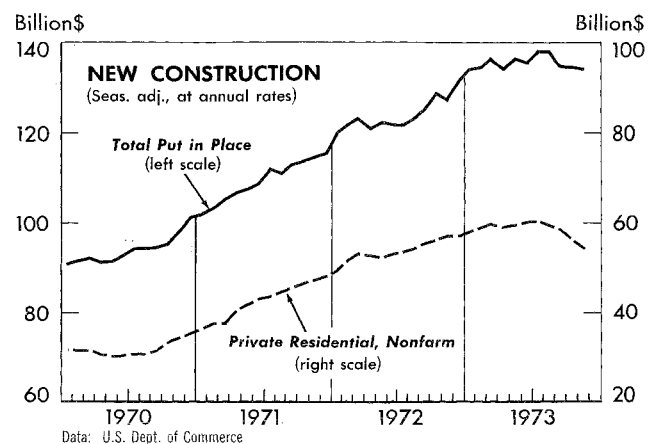
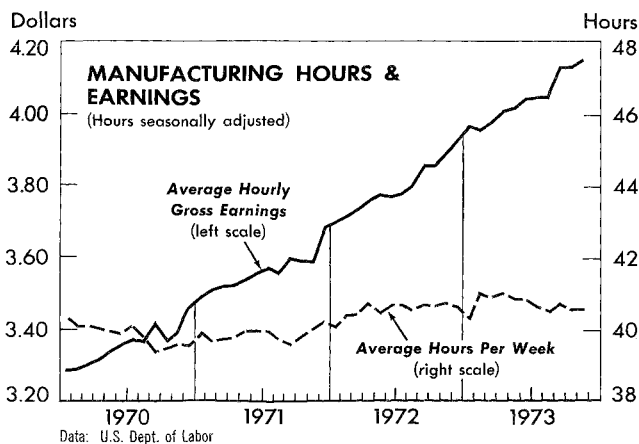
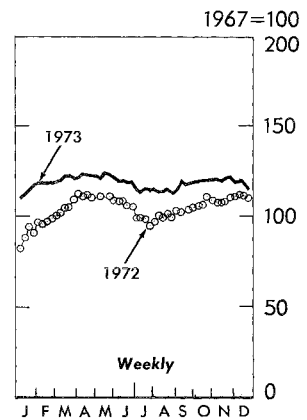
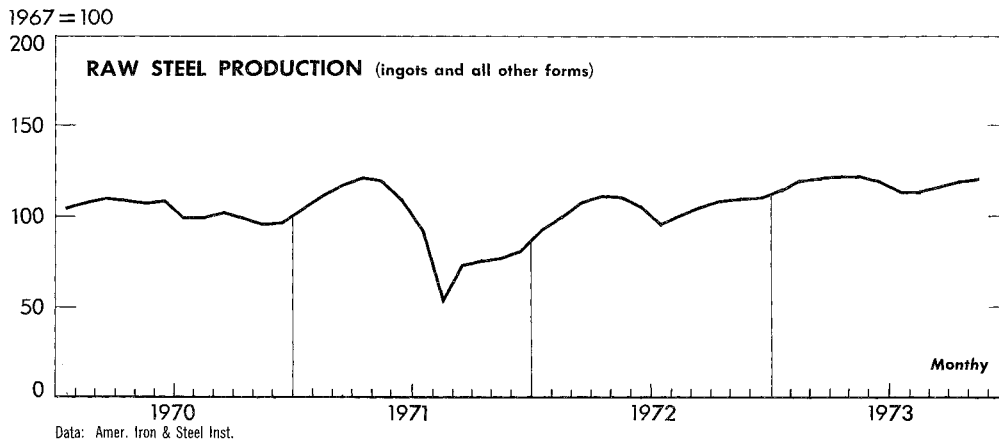
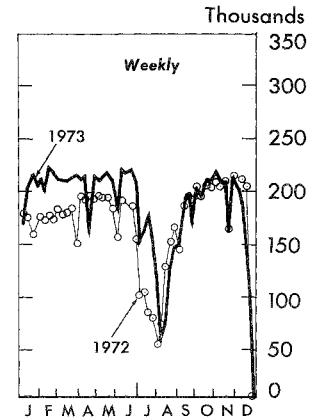
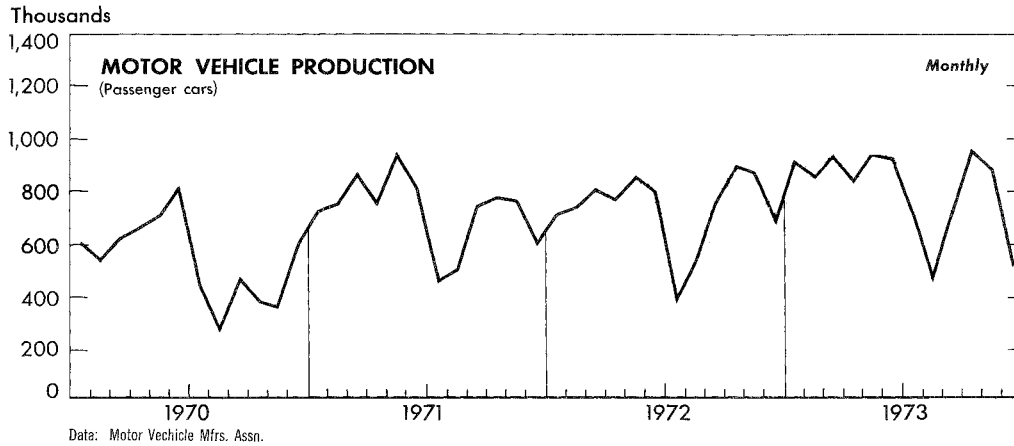


# BUSINESS STATISTICS



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WEEKLY BUSINESS STATISTICS<sup>1</sup>

ITEM	1972		1973			1974
	Dec. 30	Jan. 6	Dec. 15	Dec. 22	Dec. 29	Jan. 5
WHOLESALE PRICES, 22 COMMODITIES <u>2/</u> .....1967=100..	131.6	131.9	207.8	205.4	*206.0	.....
ALL RETAIL STORES, SALES.....mil. \$..	8,911	7,562	12,103	13,441	9,863	.....
Nondurable goods stores.....do.....	6,079	5,281	8,812	10,138	7,179	.....
INITIAL UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIMS, State programs.....thous..	339	345	342	424	.....	.....
INSURED UNEMPLOYMENT, all programs.....do.....	2,227	2,334	1,992	.....	.....	.....
State programs (50 States, D.C., and Puerto Rico)...do....	2,009	2,121	1,822	.....	.....	.....
FAILURES, INDUST. AND COMMERCIAL (Dun & Bradstreet)number..	141	125	188	174	89	109
<b>FINANCE:</b>						
Currency in circulation <u>3/</u> .....mil. \$..	66,575	66,553	71,229	71,682	72,233	72,471
Federal Reserve bank credit outstanding, total <u>3/</u> ..do....	77,606	78,912	83,598	85,480	87,276	87,289
Member bank reserve balances <u>3/</u> .....do.....	31,441	32,604	34,366	35,128	35,446	35,445
Excess reserves, estimated <u>3/</u> .....do.....	189	560	-108	263	497	196
Assets and liabilities of large commercial banks: <u>4/</u>						
Demand deposits, adjusted.....do.....	104,029	106,268	102,784	103,209	109,467	.....
Savings deposits.....do.....	58,294	58,592	56,304	56,241	56,286	.....
Loans and investments, gross adjusted, total.....do....	311,645	311,310	349,779	351,100	354,055	.....
U.S. Government obligations.....do.....	28,650	29,156	26,201	25,441	25,476	.....
Commercial and industrial loans (gross).....do.....	91,011	91,433	108,273	109,119	109,481	.....
Real estate loans (gross).....do.....	45,940	45,024	54,723	54,894	54,896	.....
Bond yields, domestic corporate (Moody's) <u>3/</u> ....percent..	7.48	7.47	8.04	8.06	8.08	8.10
Stock prices, 500 stocks (Stand.&Poor's) <u>4/</u> ..1941-43=10..	116.93	119.57	93.57	94.82	95.74	97.68
Industrial, 425 stocks.....do.....	130.59	133.62	104.75	106.21	107.09	109.14
<b>PRODUCTION:</b>						
Bituminous coal.....thous. sh. tons..	9,030	9,060	12,555	11,250	7,945	.....
Electric power, by utilities.....mil. kw.-hr..	32,440	34,331	36,113	36,876	31,952	.....
Motor vehicles (passenger cars).....number..	84	170,197	189,407	121,334	73	90,424
Petroleum (crude) and condensate <u>3/</u> .....thous. bbl..	9,416	9,289	9,072	9,188	9,175	.....
Steel, raw.....thous. sh. tons..	2,603	2,688	2,926	2,851	2,790	2,847
Index of production.....1967=100..	106.7	110.2	119.9	116.9	114.4	116.7
RAIL FREIGHT, REVENUE TON-MILES.....bil..	11.9	13.0	16.9	15.4	11.3	.....

<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. \*Friday price.

## MONTHLY BUSINESS STATISTICS

ITEM	1972		1973			
	Oct.	Nov.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.
<b>GENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORS</b>						
<b>MANUFACTURERS' SHIPMENTS:</b>						
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED, TOTAL.....mil. \$..	67,222	66,567	70,827	75,281	r77,081	76,412
Durable goods industries, total <u>1/</u> .....do.....	37,058	36,503	37,291	40,945	r42,285	41,373
Stone, clay, and glass products.....do.....	2,092	1,987	2,229	2,189	r2,314	2,144
Primary metals.....do.....	5,138	5,025	5,846	6,155	r6,345	6,405
Fabricated metal products.....do.....	4,242	3,974	4,455	4,655	r4,811	4,666
Machinery, except electrical.....do.....	5,230	5,130	5,734	6,468	r6,237	6,081
Electrical machinery.....do.....	4,998	5,109	5,230	5,654	r5,642	5,559
Transportation equipment.....do.....	10,155	10,208	8,281	10,134	r11,158	11,158
Instruments and related products.....do.....	1,209	1,232	1,168	1,299	r1,302	1,260
Nondurable goods industries, total <u>1/</u> .....do....	30,164	30,064	33,536	34,336	r34,796	35,039
Food and kindred products.....do.....	10,012	10,126	11,750	11,982	r12,187	12,336
Tobacco products.....do.....	495	515	560	r516	534	544
Textile mill products.....do.....	2,323	2,368	2,602	2,631	r2,758	2,670
Paper and allied products.....do.....	2,470	2,406	2,798	2,815	r2,863	2,837
Chemicals and allied products.....do.....	4,979	4,845	5,536	5,769	r5,643	5,595
Petroleum and coal products.....do.....	2,528	2,618	3,017	3,121	r3,135	3,424
Rubber and plastics products.....do.....	1,718	1,604	1,702	1,743	r1,809	1,729
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED, TOTAL.....do.....	65,451	66,993	73,021	73,060	r75,269	77,043
By industry group:						
Durable goods industries, total <u>1/</u> .....do....	36,302	36,870	39,633	40,162	r41,567	41,915
Stone, clay, and glass products.....do.....	1,968	2,013	2,084	2,046	r2,178	2,170
Primary metals.....do.....	5,437	5,349	6,165	6,266	r6,730	6,817
Fabricated metal products.....do.....	4,093	4,015	4,385	4,345	r4,648	4,713
Machinery, except electrical.....do.....	5,297	5,488	6,117	6,243	r6,353	6,512
Electrical machinery.....do.....	4,756	4,937	5,350	5,288	r5,372	5,372
Transportation equipment.....do.....	9,820	9,915	10,281	10,697	r10,809	10,734
Instruments and related products.....do.....	1,158	1,206	1,163	1,192	r1,245	1,233

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ITEM	1972		1973			
	Oct.	Nov.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.
GENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORS--Con.						
MANUFACTURERS SHIPMENTS (SEAS. ADJ.)--Con.						
By industry group--Con.						
Nondurable goods industries, total <u>1</u> /.....mil. \$..	29,149	30,123	33,388	32,898	r33,702	35,128
Food and kindred products.....do.....	9,637	10,008	11,827	11,348	r11,739	12,183
Tobacco products.....do.....	497	511	540	498	536	540
Textile mill products.....do.....	2,133	2,331	2,550	2,499	r2,532	2,632
Paper and allied products.....do.....	2,421	2,446	2,767	2,739	r2,807	2,884
Chemicals and allied products.....do.....	4,982	5,072	5,694	5,575	r5,687	5,877
Petroleum and coal products.....do.....	2,550	2,640	3,017	3,100	r3,170	3,455
Rubber and plastics products.....do.....	1,659	1,662	1,700	1,706	r1,748	1,794
INVENTORIES, END OF MONTH:						
Book value (unadjusted), total.....do.....	106,105	106,623	114,465	115,045	r116,496	117,746
Durable goods industries, total.....do.....	68,958	69,334	75,117	75,707	r76,399	77,175
Nondurable goods industries, total.....do.....	37,147	37,289	39,348	39,338	r40,097	40,571
Book value (seasonally adjusted), total.....do.....	106,617	106,974	114,907	116,114	r117,224	118,344
By industry group:						
Durable goods industries, total <u>1</u> /.....do.....	69,308	69,613	75,213	76,249	r76,951	77,666
Stone, clay, and glass products.....do.....	2,454	2,454	2,679	2,702	r2,720	2,736
Primary metals.....do.....	9,716	9,670	9,346	9,323	r9,222	9,203
Fabricated metal products.....do.....	7,781	7,762	8,378	8,519	r8,513	8,817
Machinery, except electrical.....do.....	14,010	14,175	15,681	15,952	r16,164	16,348
Electrical machinery.....do.....	10,197	10,279	11,742	11,834	r12,102	12,260
Transportation equipment.....do.....	15,931	15,979	17,328	17,690	r17,766	17,748
Instruments and related products.....do.....	2,715	2,719	2,978	3,031	r3,083	3,122
Nondurable goods industries, total <u>1</u> /.....do.....	37,309	37,361	39,694	39,865	r40,273	40,678
Food and kindred products.....do.....	9,448	9,434	10,011	10,027	r10,172	10,314
Tobacco products.....do.....	2,279	2,319	2,399	2,398	r2,425	2,451
Textile mill products.....do.....	4,029	4,034	4,379	4,436	r4,407	4,503
Paper and allied products.....do.....	2,861	2,871	3,032	3,070	r3,089	3,173
Chemicals and allied products.....do.....	6,999	7,019	7,140	7,175	r7,185	7,215
Petroleum and coal products.....do.....	2,351	2,345	2,388	2,391	r2,474	2,576
Rubber and plastics products.....do.....	2,324	2,345	2,539	2,551	r2,578	2,569
NEW ORDERS, NET (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED), TOTAL.....do.....	67,957	67,075	73,233	76,978	r79,349	79,024
Durable goods industries, total.....do.....	37,690	36,827	39,737	42,703	r44,517	43,951
Nondurable goods industries, total.....do.....	30,267	30,248	33,496	34,275	r34,832	35,073
NEW ORDERS, NET (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED), TOTAL.....do.....	66,355	67,726	76,113	76,129	r77,758	79,561
By industry group:						
Durable goods industries, total <u>1</u> /.....do.....	37,127	37,462	42,689	42,259	r44,037	44,430
Primary metals.....do.....	5,512	5,449	7,150	6,325	r6,868	6,808
Fabricated metal products.....do.....	4,109	3,983	4,903	4,982	r5,135	5,007
Machinery, except electrical.....do.....	5,580	5,886	6,646	6,922	r7,174	7,253
Electrical machinery.....do.....	4,986	5,152	5,701	5,537	r5,816	5,786
Transportation equipment.....do.....	10,150	9,813	10,948	10,978	r11,368	11,630
Nondurable goods industries, total.....do.....	29,228	30,264	33,424	32,870	r33,721	35,131
Industries with unfilled orders.....do.....	7,548	7,815	8,370	8,260	r8,465	8,678
Industries without unfilled orders.....do.....	21,680	22,449	25,054	24,610	r25,256	26,453
UNFILLED ORDERS, END OF MONTH (UNADJ.), TOTAL.....do.....	82,667	83,175	106,104	107,800	r110,076	112,688
Durable goods industries, total.....do.....	78,927	79,251	101,441	103,198	r105,436	107,013
Nondurable goods industries with unfilled orders.....do.....	3,740	3,924	4,663	4,602	r4,640	4,675
UNFILLED ORDERS, END OF MONTH (SEAS. ADJ.), TOTAL.....do.....	83,483	84,216	107,344	109,410	r111,897	114,417
By industry group:						
Durable goods industries, total <u>1</u> /.....do.....	79,683	80,275	102,621	104,716	r107,185	109,041
Primary metals.....do.....	7,874	7,974	14,798	14,857	r14,996	14,989
Fabricated metal products.....do.....	10,612	10,580	13,206	13,842	r14,329	14,625
Machinery, except electrical.....do.....	13,952	14,350	19,118	19,798	r20,621	21,362
Electrical machinery.....do.....	15,424	15,639	18,610	18,857	r19,300	19,713
Transportation equipment.....do.....	25,584	25,482	29,598	29,878	r30,437	31,332
Nondurable goods industries with unfilled orders.....do.....	3,800	3,941	4,723	4,694	r4,712	4,714
COMMODITY PRICES						
SPOT MARKET PRICES, BASIC COMMODITIES:						
22 Commodities.....1967=100.....	126.2	130.8	194.9	192.0	191.1	.....
9 Foodstuffs.....do.....	118.7	125.0	208.0	197.7	191.5	.....
13 Raw industrials.....do.....	131.6	134.8	186.3	188.1	192.4	.....
WHOLESALE PRICE INDEXES:						
ALL COMMODITIES.....do.....	120.7	122.9	140.2	139.5	141.8	145.3
Farm products.....do.....	128.8	137.5	200.4	188.4	184.0	187.2
Food and feeds, processed.....do.....	123.1	129.4	156.3	153.1	151.9	155.7
Industrial commodities.....do.....	119.1	119.4	128.1	129.6	133.5	137.1
Chemicals and allied products.....do.....	104.7	104.8	111.5	112.7	113.5	115.6
Fuels and related products, and power.....do.....	121.3	121.9	144.8	150.5	179.2	201.3
Furniture and household durables.....do.....	112.3	112.4	116.0	116.6	117.2	117.5
Hides, skins, and leather products.....do.....	144.0	142.2	143.8	143.8	143.0	141.9
Lumber and wood products.....do.....	149.4	149.8	181.9	180.3	184.7	186.1

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ITEM	1972		1973			
	Nov.	Dec.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
COMMODITY PRICES--Con.						
WHOLESALE PRICE INDEXES--Con.						
Industrial commodities - Con.						
Machinery and equipment.....1967=100..	118.5	118.6	122.6	123.1	123.8	124.6
Metals and metal products.....do.....	124.1	124.4	134.4	135.9	138.5	141.8
Nonmetallic mineral products.....do.....	127.3	127.4	129.9	130.9	131.5	132.6
Pulp, paper, and allied products.....do.....	115.0	115.1	124.4	125.8	127.6	128.7
Rubber and plastics products.....do.....	109.8	109.8	112.8	114.0	114.8	116.5
Textile products and apparel.....do.....	115.1	115.6	126.8	128.5	130.0	131.4
Transportation equipment.....Dec. 1968=100..	113.0	114.2	114.5	115.9	116.1	117.3
Miscellaneous products.....1967=100..	115.0	115.1	121.1	121.0	121.3	121.6
PURCHASING POWER OF THE DOLLAR AS MEASURED BY--						
Wholesale prices.....1967=\$1.00..	\$0.829	\$0.814	\$0.713	\$0.717	\$0.705	\$0.688
	1972		1973			
	Oct.	Nov.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.
CONSTRUCTION AND REAL ESTATE						
NEW CONSTRUCTION PUT IN PLACE (UNADJ.), TOTAL.....mil. \$..						
Private, total.....do.....	11,571	11,048	r12,779	12,557	r12,173	11,685
Residential (incl. farm).....do.....	8,686	8,506	r9,719	9,464	r9,294	8,880
New housing units.....do.....	5,046	4,946	r5,552	5,364	r5,055	4,713
Nonresidential buildings, total <u>1</u> /.....do.....	4,236	4,181	r4,558	4,411	r4,144	3,840
Industrial.....do.....	2,221	2,121	2,550	2,487	r2,563	2,450
Commercial.....do.....	397	399	587	560	r600	589
Public, total.....do.....	1,274	1,187	1,422	1,408	r1,442	1,355
Public, total.....do.....	2,885	2,542	3,060	3,093	r2,879	2,805
NEW CONSTRUCTION PUT IN PLACE (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED AT ANNUAL RATES), TOTAL.....bil. \$..						
Private, total.....do.....	128.5	126.8	r138.2	137.2	r134.9	134.0
Residential (incl. farm).....do.....	96.2	97.5	r107.1	104.3	102.7	101.8
New housing units.....do.....	56.4	57.2	r60.1	58.9	r56.3	54.6
Nonresidential buildings, total <u>1</u> /.....do.....	46.9	47.8	r49.3	48.2	r46.0	44.0
Industrial.....do.....	24.3	24.5	28.6	27.2	r28.0	28.3
Commercial.....do.....	4.3	4.6	6.7	6.3	r6.6	6.8
Public, total.....do.....	13.7	13.6	15.8	15.1	15.6	15.6
Public, total.....do.....	32.3	29.3	31.1	32.9	r32.2	32.3
CONSTRUCTION COST INDEXES:						
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE COMPOSITE.....1967=100..	142	143	r154	r155	r156	156

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