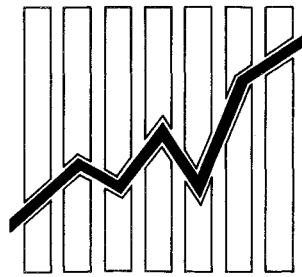


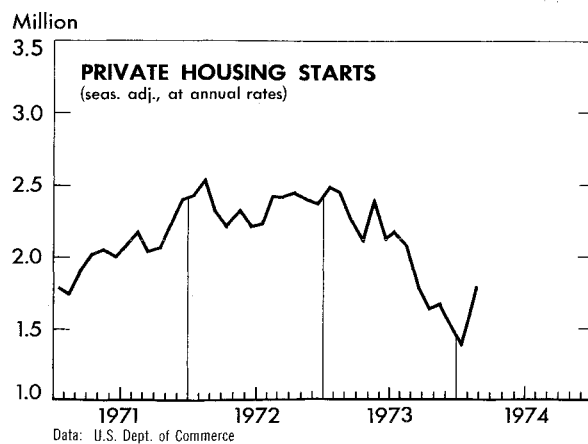
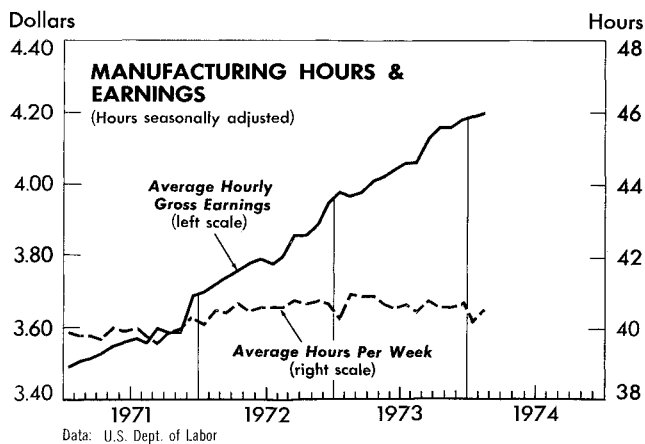
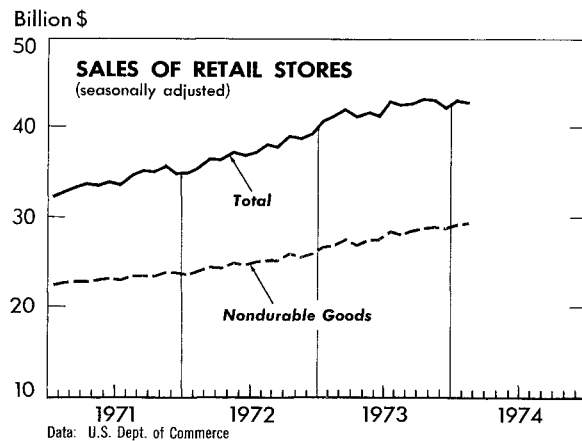
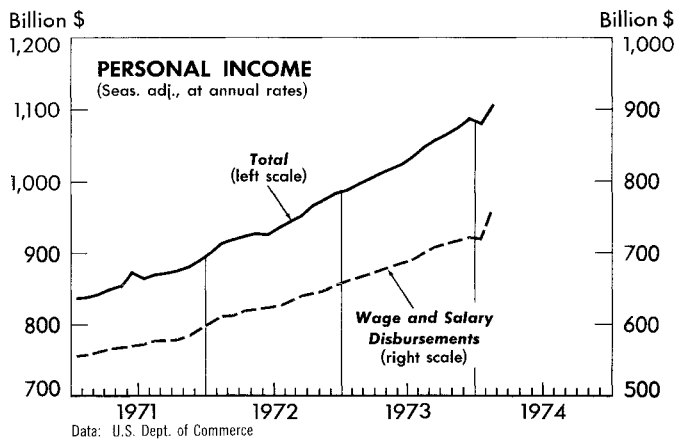
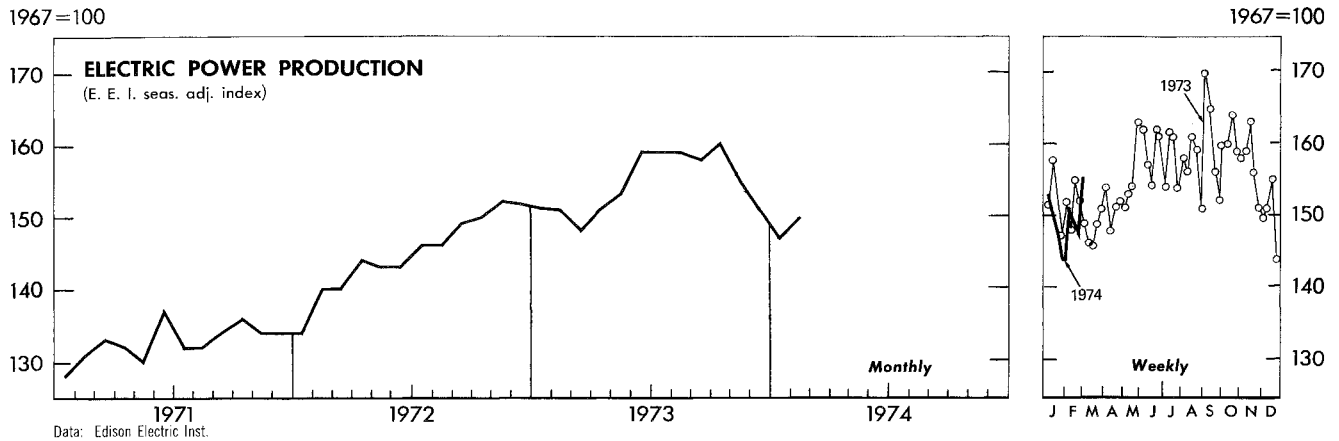


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ITEM	1973		1974			
	Mar. 10	Mar. 17	Feb. 23	Mar. 2	Mar. 9	Mar. 16
WHOLESALE PRICES, 22 COMMODITIES <u>2/</u>1967=100..	148.4	148.9	233.7	239.0	231.5	233.9
ALL RETAIL STORES, SALES.....mil. \$..	8,813	9,168	8,888	9,406	9,315	.....
Nondurable goods stores.....do....	5,773	5,858	6,102	6,309	6,508	.....
INITIAL UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIMS, State programs.....thous..	228	212	269	313	310	.....
INSURED UNEMPLOYMENT, all programs.....do....	2,158	2,104	2,887	2,804	.....	.....
State programs (50 States, D.C., and Puerto Rico).....do....	1,977	1,924	2,673	2,586	.....	.....
FAILURES, INDUST. AND COMMERCIAL (Dun & Bradstreet).....number..	138	280	187	185	217	265
FINANCE:						
Currency in circulation <u>3/</u>.....mil. \$..	64,683	65,157	70,686	70,438	70,577	71,194
Federal Reserve bank credit outstanding, total <u>3/</u>.....do....	78,562	78,917	86,197	85,176	84,042	84,230
Member bank reserve balances <u>3/</u>.....do....	32,059	31,558	35,393	34,885	34,602	34,752
Excess reserves, estimated <u>3/</u>.....do....	336	25	124	241	92	120
Assets and liabilities of large commercial banks: <u>4/</u>						
Demand deposits, adjusted.....do....	95,393	96,763	96,735	98,174	98,269	.....
Savings deposits.....do....	58,297	58,299	57,055	57,145	57,412	.....
Loans and investments, gross adjusted, total.....do....	317,465	317,277	352,598	353,853	356,708	.....
U.S. Government obligations.....do....	25,478	25,180	25,616	25,328	25,966	.....
Commercial and industrial loans (gross).....do....	97,659	98,540	109,867	110,458	111,444	.....
Real estate loans (gross).....do....	47,198	47,230	55,715	55,661	55,691	.....
Bond yields, domestic corporate (Moody's) <u>3/</u>.....percent..	7.59	7.61	8.18	8.18	8.21	8.25
Stock prices, 500 stocks (Stand. & Poor's) <u>4/</u>.....1941-43=10..	114.45	114.98	93.44	96.40	97.98	99.74
Industrial, 425 stocks.....do....	128.40	129.06	104.14	107.54	109.51	111.65
PRODUCTION:						
Bituminous coal.....thous. sh. tons..	11,420	10,680	12,970	11,640	11,345	.....
Electric power, by utilities.....mil. kw.-hr..	33,452	33,552	34,794	35,657	33,443	.....
Motor vehicles (passenger cars).....number..	210,622	210,318	161,689	151,227	143,605	120,098
Petroleum (crude) and condensate <u>3/</u>.....thous. bbl..	9,382	9,266	9,179	9,166	9,140	.....
Steel, raw.....thous. sh. tons..	2,923	2,977	2,887	2,891	2,896	2,839
Index of production.....1967=100..	119.8	122.0	118.3	118.5	118.7	116.4
RAIL FREIGHT, REVENUE TON-MILES.....bil..	16.0	15.8	16.4	16.8	16.8	.....

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

MONTHLY BUSINESS STATISTICS

ITEM	1973				1974	
	Jan.	Feb.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb. <u>p/</u>
GENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORS						
PERSONAL INCOME, BY SOURCE:						
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED, AT ANNUAL RATES:						
Total personal income.....bil. \$..	989.1	997.4	1,079.4	1,089.0	r1,087.0	1,093.6
Wage and salary disbursements, total.....do....	661.7	667.2	717.8	722.6	r721.8	725.8
Commodity-producing industries, total.....do....	239.2	242.2	262.5	264.1	r261.0	262.2
Manufacturing.....do....	187.1	189.6	204.6	205.1	r203.0	203.0
Distributive industries.....do....	158.7	159.3	170.8	171.3	r171.8	172.5
Service industries.....do....	122.9	124.1	134.1	135.9	r136.8	138.1
Government.....do....	140.9	141.6	150.4	151.3	152.2	153.0
Other labor income.....do....	43.0	43.3	46.7	47.1	47.5	47.9
Proprietors' income:						
Business and professional.....do....	56.1	56.3	58.7	58.6	58.6	58.8
Farm.....do....	24.0	24.3	31.6	32.4	29.6	28.9
Rental income of persons.....do....	24.8	24.8	25.7	25.7	25.8	25.8
Dividends.....do....	26.8	26.9	28.7	29.8	29.5	29.4
Personal interest income.....do....	81.9	82.6	92.6	94.0	r95.3	96.4
Transfer payments.....do....	112.5	113.8	121.9	123.0	r125.9	127.6
Less personal contributions for soc. insurance.....do....	41.7	41.9	44.3	44.3	r47.0	47.1
Total nonagricultural income.....do....	957.4	965.3	1,039.0	1,047.5	r1,048.1	1,055.4
INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION (F.R. INDEX OF QUANTITY OUTPUT):						
SEASONALLY ADJ., TOTAL INDEX (INCL. UTIL.).....1967=100..						
BY MARKET GROUPINGS:						
Products, total.....do....	120.7	121.5	r125.3	r123.9	r122.9	122.3
Final products.....do....	118.6	119.3	r123.7	r122.1	r120.8	120.1
Consumer goods.....do....	129.8	130.2	r133.5	r130.7	r128.9	128.0
Durable consumer goods.....do....	136.0	137.8	r138.5	r133.7	r129.8	128.1
Automotive products.....do....	138.6	141.7	r133.7	r120.6	r108.4	104.3
Autos.....do....	130.2	131.5	124.8	106.2	90.0	86.4
Auto parts and allied goods.....do....	155.0	161.4	r150.9	r147.8	r143.6	138.8
Home goods.....do....	134.5	135.8	141.2	r141.2	141.7	141.5
Nondurable consumer goods.....do....	127.4	127.3	r131.5	r129.6	r128.6	127.8
Clothing.....do....	115.1	115.2	r117.3	117.7
Consumer staples.....do....	130.7	130.5	r135.2	r132.8	r131.7	130.8

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GENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORS--Con.						
INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION (F.R. INDEX OF QUANTITY OUTPUT)--Con.						
SEASONALLY ADJ., TOTAL INDEX (INC. UTIL.)--Con.						
BY MARKET GROUPINGS--Con.						
Equipment.....1967=100..	102.9	104.1	r110.1	r110.3	r109.3	109.2
Business.....do....	116.9	118.2	r127.8	127.3	r126.2	125.9
Defense and space equipment.....do....	79.8	80.6	r80.9	r81.9	r 81.1	81.4
Intermediate products.....do....	128.4	129.5	r131.1	r130.7	r130.5	130.8
Materials.....do....	124.5	126.7	r131.5	r130.9	r130.1	129.0
Durable goods materials.....do....	124.1	126.6	r133.0	r133.4	r130.1	129.0
Nondurable goods materials.....do....	126.3	127.7	r130.7	r129.0	r131.6	130.7
Fuel and power, industrial.....do....	120.6	122.7	r124.9	r122.0	r122.7	120.9
BY INDUSTRY GROUPINGS:						
MANUFACTURING, TOTAL.....do....						
Durable manufactures.....do....	121.4	122.7	127.4	r126.7	r125.5	124.7
Durable manufactures.....do....	117.5	118.7	r124.3	r123.5	r122.0	120.6
Primary metals.....do....	123.1	124.7	r128.9	r131.4	r131.6	131.6
Fabricated metal products.....do....	125.7	126.2	r133.1	r131.5	133.2	130.3
Machinery.....do....	118.4	119.1	r130.4	r130.7	r128.7	126.6
Transportation equipment.....do....	107.6	110.0	r109.8	r103.0	r95.8	94.1
Instruments.....do....	130.1	131.9	r142.6	r143.5	r144.8	145.7
Lumber and products.....do....	125.8	128.5	r127.3	r132.0	133.0	.....
Clay, glass, and stone products.....do....	126.8	126.6	130.4	r129.2	132.5	.....
Furniture and fixtures.....do....	119.1	122.3	127.9	124.9	124.2	.....
Nondurable manufactures.....do....	127.0	128.4	131.3	r131.1	r130.7	130.4
Textile mill products.....do....	125.3	126.1	r129.4	r128.2	127.4	.....
Apparel products.....do....	112.3	112.6	r115.3	117.6	.....	.....
Leather and products.....do....	81.3	85.1	r82.9	r82.9	78.5	.....
Paper and products.....do....	131.8	134.1	136.2	r136.7	136.0	.....
Printing and publishing.....do....	112.1	113.0	112.3	110.8	r110.8	112.0
Chemicals and products.....do....	146.4	147.2	r153.0	r154.5	r153.9	154.0
Petroleum products.....do....	127.3	124.1	129.5	r125.5	122.6	.....
Rubber and plastics products.....do....	157.1	160.4	r164.5	r162.3	160.8	.....
Foods.....do....	120.5	122.9	r125.4	r124.9	r126.6	126.7
Tobacco products.....do....	107.9	110.3	115.8	104.2	.....	.....
MINING.....do....						
Metal mining.....do....	108.5	110.2	r111.3	r110.7	r111.6	110.7
Coal.....do....	130.3	131.9	135.2	135.2	132.9	.....
Oil and gas extraction.....do....	99.1	103.9	104.1	r106.4	r109.0	102.3
UTILITIES.....do....	107.7	109.1	r109.6	108.0	109.5	109.8
Electric.....do....	151.0	150.5	r154.6	146.0	r142.2	141.6
.....do....	159.1	158.3	r163.4	153.5	r149.5	148.9
CONSTRUCTION AND REAL ESTATE						
NEW HOUSING UNITS STARTED:						
Unadjusted:						
Total (private and public).....thous..	147.3	139.5	134.6	90.5	r86.7	104.3
Privately owned.....do....	146.6	138.0	133.3	90.4	r84.9	104.1
One-family structures.....do....	77.1	73.6	r70.5	r46.8	r43.4	75.4
Seasonally adjusted at annual rates:						
Total privately owned.....do....	r2,472	r2,423	1,675	r1,403	r1,470	1,800
One-family structures.....do....	r1,418	r1,363	938	r767	r794	1,041
NEW PRIVATE HOUSING UNITS AUTHORIZED BY BUILDING PERMITS (14,000 permit-issuing places):						
Seasonally adjusted at annual rates:						
Total.....do....	2,233	2,209	1,314	1,237	r1,301	1,304
One-family structures.....do....	1,062	1,079	647	606	r638	715
LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT, AND EARNINGS						
Man-hours of wage and salary workers, nonagricultural establishments, for 1 week in the month, seasonally adj. at annual rate, total.....bil. man-hours..						
Private sector, total.....do....	145.15	146.28	149.62	r149.11	r148.14	148.83
Mining.....do....	117.67	118.69	121.78	r121.09	r120.18	120.91
Contract construction.....do....	1.32	1.34	1.43	1.45	r1.44	1.48
Manufacturing.....do....	6.57	6.76	7.43	r7.25	r6.83	7.27
Transportation, communication, elec., gas, etc.....do....	40.94	41.37	42.19	r42.14	r41.63	41.51
Wholesale and retail trade.....do....	9.66	9.62	9.85	r9.74	r9.91	9.78
Finance, insurance, and real estate.....do....	29.12	29.37	29.80	r29.36	r29.27	29.51
Services.....do....	7.69	7.74	7.88	r7.94	r7.90	7.93
Government.....do....	22.38	22.49	23.20	23.20	r23.20	23.43
.....do....	27.47	27.59	27.85	r28.02	r27.97	27.92
Indexes of aggregate weekly man-hours, production or nonsupervisory workers, seasonally adjusted:						
Private sector payrolls.....1967=100..	108.4	109.8	112.5	r111.8	r110.8	111.5
Mining.....do....	95.9	97.5	105.1	r107.2	r105.9	108.3
Contract construction.....do....	101.4	105.0	115.3	112.3	r105.3	112.5
Manufacturing.....do....	99.3	101.7	103.6	103.5	r101.8	101.3
Durable goods.....do....	99.6	102.1	104.6	104.6	r102.1	101.2
Nondurable goods.....do....	98.8	101.2	102.0	102.0	r101.4	101.5
Transportation, communication, elec., gas, etc.....do....	106.6	106.1	108.3	r107.1	r109.0	107.8
Wholesale and retail trade.....do....	112.0	113.1	114.6	r112.8	r112.2	113.2
Finance, insurance, and real estate.....do....	121.1	122.0	123.4	r124.0	r123.4	123.9
Services.....do....	119.6	120.2	124.1	r124.2	r124.2	125.3

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FINANCE						
SECURITY MARKETS:						
BONDS:						
Yields:						
Domestic corporate (Moody's).....percent.	7.49	7.57	8.02	8.05	8.15	8.17
By rating:						
Aaa.....do.....	7.15	7.22	7.67	7.68	7.83	7.85
Aa.....do.....	7.37	7.47	7.90	7.92	7.97	7.97
A.....do.....	7.53	7.60	8.07	8.11	8.22	8.26
Baa.....do.....	7.90	7.97	8.42	8.48	8.58	8.59
By group:						
Industrials.....do.....	7.27	7.34	7.81	7.84	7.97	8.01
Public utilities.....do.....	7.51	7.61	8.11	8.17	8.27	8.33
Railroads.....do.....	7.87	7.92	8.28	8.28	8.34	8.27
METALS AND MANUFACTURES						
ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT:						
Household electrical appliances, factory sales:						
Air conditioners (room).....thous.	486.8	448.9	299.8	348.5	497.6	.....
Dishwashers.....do.....	284.9	252.3	325.4	279.1	253.5	.....
Disposers (food waste).....do.....	r218.4	224.5	244.4	233.8	209.8	.....
Ranges.....do.....	285.2	240.0	264.3	231.2	242.3	.....
Refrigerators.....do.....	472.3	452.8	470.8	423.7	441.2	.....
Washers.....do.....	r457.3	417.2	420.8	316.9	407.3	.....
Dryers (incl. gas).....do.....	r379.2	318.2	362.1	288.7	319.3	.....
Vacuum cleaners.....do.....	727.9	775.3	871.8	624.5	674.1	.....
TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT						
RETAIL SALES, NEW PASSENGER CARS:						
Total, not seasonally adjusted.....thous.	876	r921	r913	694	679	684
Domestics.....do.....	736	775	778	574	551	568
Imports.....do.....	140	146	r135	r120	r127	116
Total, seasonally adjusted at annual rates.....mil.	12.1	12.3	10.1	9.5	r9.3	9.1
Domestics.....do.....	10.2	10.3	8.4	7.7	7.7	7.6
Imports.....do.....	1.9	2.0	1.8	1.8	r1.6	1.6
Retail inventories, new cars (domestics), end of month:						
Not seasonally adjusted.....thous.	1,528	1,649	1,628	1,600	1,705	1,737
Seasonally adjusted.....do.....	1,535	1,563	1,812	1,765	1,713	1,644
Inventory-sales ratio, new cars (domestics).....ratio.	1.8	1.8	2.6	2.7	2.7	2.6

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