



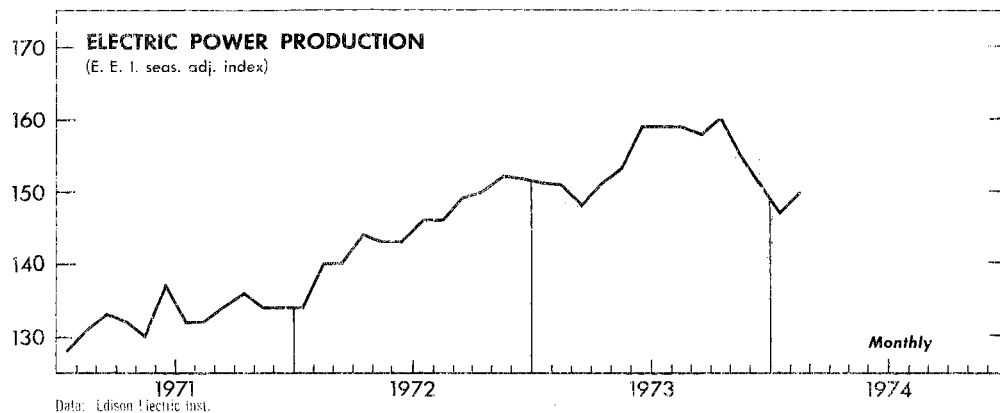
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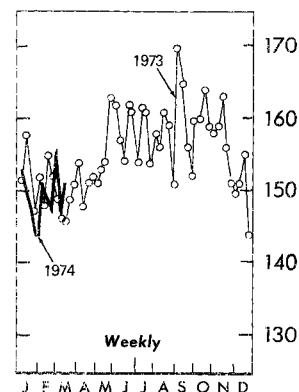
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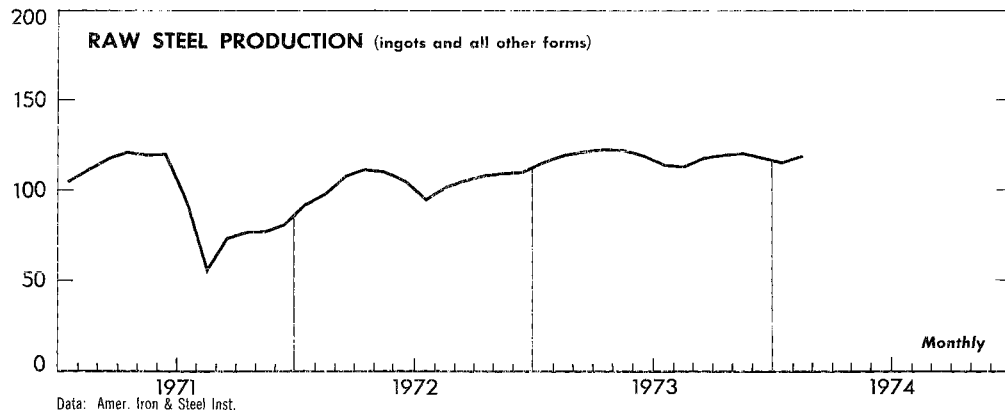
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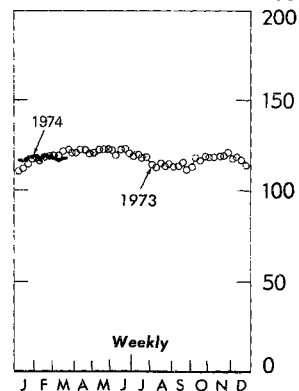
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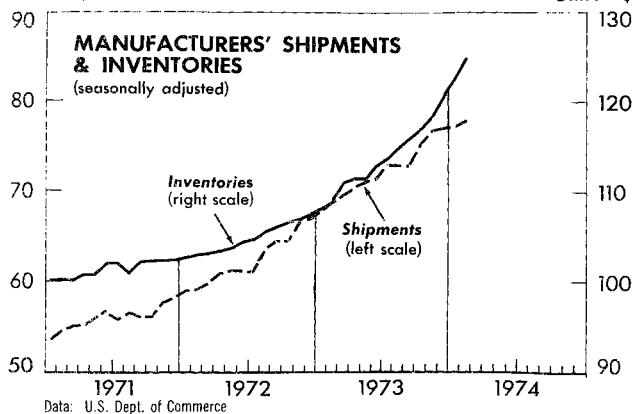
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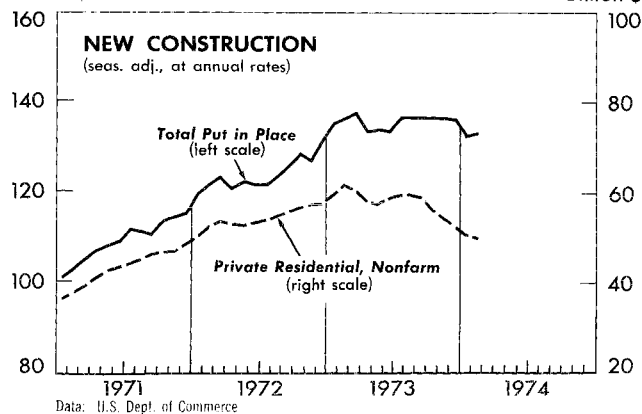
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WEEKLY BUSINESS STATISTICS¹

ITEM	1973		1974			
	Mar. 24	Mar. 31	Mar. 9	Mar. 16	Mar. 23	Mar. 30
WHOLESALE PRICES, 22 COMMODITIES <u>2/</u>.....1967=100..	148.6	146.4	231.5	234.6	232.9	233.0
ALL RETAIL STORES, SALES.....mil. \$..	9,092	9,632	9,315	9,630	9,697	.....
Nondurable goods stores.....do....	5,853	5,902	6,508	6,558	6,476	.....
INITIAL UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIMS, State programs.....thous..	209	194	310	294	285	.....
INSURED UNEMPLOYMENT, all programs.....do....	2,028	1,959	2,800	2,755	.....	.....
State programs (50 States, D.C., and Puerto Rico).....do....	1,855	1,790	2,580	2,529	.....	.....
FAILURES, INDUST. AND COMMERCIAL (Dun & Bradstreet).....number..	187	206	217	265	215	237
FINANCE:						
Currency in circulation <u>3/</u>.....mil. \$..	65,250	65,130	70,577	71,193	71,286	71,117
Federal Reserve bank credit outstanding, total <u>3/</u>.....do....	79,817	79,061	84,042	84,256	85,245	85,521
Member bank reserve balances <u>3/</u>.....do....	31,972	31,576	34,602	34,760	35,126	34,600
Excess reserves, estimated <u>3/</u>.....do....	248	88	92	128	68	165
Assets and liabilities of large commercial banks: <u>4/</u>						
Demand deposits, adjusted.....do....	95,289	96,236	98,300	99,148	97,976	.....
Savings deposits.....do....	58,516	58,584	57,418	57,652	57,900	.....
Loans and investments, gross adjusted, total.....do....	320,492	318,964	356,814	357,208	358,432	.....
U.S. Government obligations.....do....	25,397	25,373	25,989	25,717	24,863	.....
Commercial and industrial loans (gross).....do....	99,884	99,975	111,490	112,740	114,753	.....
Real estate loans (gross).....do....	47,524	47,501	55,682	55,948	56,131	.....
Bond yields, domestic corporate (Moody's) <u>3/</u>.....percent..	7.63	7.65	8.21	8.25	8.30	8.36
Stock prices, 500 stocks (Stand. & Poor's) <u>4/</u>.....1941-43=10..	110.49	111.62	97.98	99.74	97.57	96.59
Industrial, 425 stocks.....do....	123.81	125.17	109.51	111.65	109.19	108.09
PRODUCTION:						
Bituminous coal.....thous. sh. tons..	11,025	11,750	11,350	11,305	12,715	.....
Electric power by utilities.....mil. kw.-hr..	34,171	33,398	33,443	34,314	34,373	.....
Motor vehicles (passenger cars).....number..	213,363	214,297	143,605	120,098	151,081	141,701
Petroleum (crude) and condensate <u>3/</u>.....thous. bbl..	9,294	9,301	9,140	9,085	9,068	.....
Steel, raw.....thous. sh. tons..	2,984	2,963	2,896	2,839	2,875	2,872
Index of production.....1967=100..	122.3	121.4	118.7	116.4	117.8	117.7
RAIL FREIGHT, REVENUE TON-MILES.....bil.	15.8	16.3	16.8	16.7	17.0	.....

^{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.
GENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORS						
MANUFACTURERS' SHIPMENTS:						
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED, TOTAL.....mil. \$..	63,764	70,335	76,387	71,571	r71,925	79,032
Durable goods industries, total <u>1/</u>.....do....	35,061	38,986	41,356	38,047	37,765	41,818
Stone, clay, and glass products.....do....	1,752	1,885	2,136	1,809	r1,839	1,971
Primary metals.....do....	5,242	5,793	6,383	6,072	6,504	7,045
Fabricated metal products.....do....	3,860	4,372	4,668	4,527	r4,325	4,718
Machinery, except electrical.....do....	5,316	5,903	6,174	6,384	r6,223	7,005
Electrical machinery.....do....	4,644	5,178	5,571	5,438	r5,060	5,689
Transportation equipment.....do....	9,784	10,769	10,911	8,755	8,926	9,915
Instruments and related products.....do....	1,047	1,138	1,258	1,218	r1,134	1,230
Nondurable goods industries, total <u>1/</u>.....do....	28,703	31,349	35,031	33,524	r34,160	37,214
Food and kindred products.....do....	9,687	10,380	12,337	11,980	r12,010	12,673
Tobacco products.....do....	475	478	532	539	549	507
Textile mill products.....do....	2,215	2,451	2,675	2,537	r2,536	2,782
Paper and allied products.....do....	2,432	2,566	2,850	2,719	r2,901	3,148
Chemicals and allied products.....do....	4,885	5,579	5,610	5,463	r5,685	6,454
Petroleum and coal products.....do....	2,649	2,723	3,425	3,694	r3,742	4,090
Rubber and plastics products.....do....	1,560	1,709	1,729	1,584	r1,696	1,856
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED, TOTAL.....do....	68,401	69,245	77,019	75,355	r77,187	77,911
By industry group:						
Durable goods industries, total <u>1/</u>.....do....	37,773	38,122	41,896	40,203	40,792	41,029
Stone, clay, and glass products.....do....	2,025	2,042	2,162	2,048	r2,125	2,136
Primary metals.....do....	5,449	5,652	6,792	6,687	6,766	6,870
Fabricated metal products.....do....	4,264	4,449	4,714	4,730	r4,780	4,802
Machinery, except electrical.....do....	5,684	5,635	6,614	6,630	r6,649	6,697
Electrical machinery.....do....	5,085	5,141	5,382	5,387	r5,529	5,645
Transportation equipment.....do....	10,259	10,018	10,624	9,156	9,452	9,290
Instruments and related products.....do....	1,163	1,170	1,232	1,226	r1,265	1,272

r/ Revised. 1/ Includes data for "other industries" not shown.

ITEM	1973				1974	
	Jan.	Feb.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.
GENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORS--Con.						
MANUFACTURERS' SHIPMENTS (SEAS. ADJ.)--Con.						
By industry group--Con.						
Nondurable goods industries, total <u>1/</u>.....mil. \$.	30,628	31,123	35,123	35,152	r36,395	36,882
Food and kindred products.....do.....	10,303	10,454	12,180	12,089	r12,762	12,714
Tobacco products.....do.....	505	503	528	552	582	533
Textile mill products.....do.....	2,420	2,477	2,637	2,642	r2,793	2,814
Paper and allied products.....do.....	2,522	2,520	2,898	2,891	r3,009	3,090
Chemicals and allied products.....do.....	5,245	5,464	5,895	6,140	r6,127	6,316
Petroleum and coal products.....do.....	2,667	2,674	3,456	3,663	r3,746	3,999
Rubber and plastics products.....do.....	1,681	1,687	1,794	1,754	r1,830	1,833
INVENTORIES, END OF MONTH:						
Book value (unadjusted), total.....do.....	108,572	109,737	117,842	120,312	r122,837	125,414
Durable goods industries, total.....do.....	70,625	71,453	77,154	78,835	r80,460	82,062
Nondurable goods industries, total.....do.....	37,947	38,284	40,688	41,477	r42,377	43,352
Book value (seasonally adjusted), total.....do.....	108,187	109,082	118,435	120,870	r122,570	124,835
By industry group:						
Durable goods industries, total <u>1/</u>.....do.....	70,590	71,136	77,645	79,441	r80,541	81,805
Stone, clay, and glass products.....do.....	2,468	2,446	2,737	2,813	r2,865	2,836
Primary metals.....do.....	9,575	9,483	9,226	9,356	r9,467	9,485
Fabricated metal products.....do.....	7,887	8,062	8,792	8,997	r9,023	9,175
Machinery, except electrical.....do.....	14,482	14,652	16,365	16,703	r17,021	17,369
Electrical machinery.....do.....	10,654	10,768	12,302	12,559	r12,749	13,093
Transportation equipment.....do.....	16,217	16,320	17,763	18,233	r18,339	18,488
Instruments and related products.....do.....	2,659	2,627	3,170	3,268	r3,413	3,572
Nondurable goods industries, total <u>1/</u>.....do.....	37,597	37,946	40,790	41,429	r42,029	43,030
Food and kindred products.....do.....	9,595	9,723	10,432	10,584	r10,638	10,615
Tobacco products.....do.....	2,338	2,343	2,446	2,460	r2,569	2,609
Textile mill products.....do.....	4,060	4,106	4,521	4,589	r4,707	4,684
Paper and allied products.....do.....	2,882	2,885	3,170	3,267	r3,325	3,374
Chemicals and allied products.....do.....	7,002	6,992	7,208	7,268	r7,263	7,625
Petroleum and coal products.....do.....	2,262	2,280	2,548	2,626	r2,731	2,874
Rubber and plastics products.....do.....	2,380	2,391	2,574	2,627	r2,702	2,747
NEW ORDERS, NET (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED), TOTAL.....do.....	66,527	73,046	78,917	73,590	r75,674	82,659
Durable goods industries, total.....do.....	37,657	41,467	43,845	40,009	41,292	45,343
Nondurable goods industries, total.....do.....	28,870	31,579	35,072	33,581	r34,382	37,316
NEW ORDERS, NET (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED), TOTAL.....do.....	70,016	71,022	79,441	76,811	r79,077	80,269
By industry group:						
Durable goods industries, total <u>1/</u>.....do.....	39,218	39,765	44,315	41,546	42,453	43,411
Primary metals.....do.....	5,694	6,015	6,730	6,597	5,956	6,578
Fabricated metal products.....do.....	4,449	4,635	4,997	5,237	r5,144	5,485
Machinery, except electrical.....do.....	6,116	6,093	7,313	7,308	r7,087	7,497
Electrical machinery.....do.....	5,320	5,496	5,788	5,399	r6,269	6,273
Transportation equipment.....do.....	10,657	10,203	11,573	9,218	10,283	9,863
Nondurable goods industries, total.....do.....	30,798	31,257	35,126	35,265	r36,624	36,858
Industries with unfilled orders.....do.....	7,919	8,009	8,687	8,601	r9,033	8,981
Industries without unfilled orders.....do.....	22,879	23,248	26,439	26,664	r27,591	27,877
UNFILLED ORDERS, END OF MONTH (UNADJ.), TOTAL.....do.....	88,077	90,788	112,600	114,623	r118,369	121,993
Durable goods industries, total.....do.....	83,941	86,422	107,921	109,886	113,411	116,935
Nondurable goods industries with unfilled orders.....do.....	4,136	4,366	4,679	4,737	r4,958	5,058
UNFILLED ORDERS, END OF MONTH (SEAS. ADJ.), TOTAL.....do.....	87,635	89,412	114,324	115,785	r117,677	120,036
By industry group:						
Durable goods industries, total <u>1/</u>.....do.....	83,431	85,074	109,606	110,953	112,616	115,002
Primary metals.....do.....	8,209	8,572	14,934	14,844	14,033	13,742
Fabricated metal products.....do.....	11,111	11,297	14,614	15,122	r15,486	16,169
Machinery, except electrical.....do.....	15,349	15,807	21,321	22,002	r22,438	23,239
Electrical machinery.....do.....	15,983	16,338	19,706	19,718	r20,459	21,086
Transportation equipment.....do.....	26,505	26,690	31,385	31,446	32,279	32,853
Nondurable goods industries with unfilled orders.....do.....	4,204	4,338	4,718	4,832	r5,061	5,034
CONSTRUCTION AND REAL ESTATE						
NEW CONSTRUCTION PUT IN PLACE (UNADJ.), TOTAL.....mil. \$.	9,588	9,216	11,845	10,891	r9,368	9,067
Private, total.....do.....	7,357	7,008	8,985	8,315	r7,110	6,742
Residential (incl. farm).....do.....	4,265	4,023	4,720	4,284	r3,639	3,289
New housing units.....do.....	3,553	3,328	3,848	3,464	2,953	2,665
Nonresidential buildings, total <u>2/</u>.....do.....	1,929	1,862	2,504	2,393	r2,155	2,177
Industrial.....do.....	391	360	582	622	r509	552
Commercial.....do.....	1,088	1,051	1,405	1,286	r1,183	1,168
Public, total.....do.....	2,231	2,208	2,860	2,576	r2,258	2,325
NEW CONSTRUCTION PUT IN PLACE (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED AT ANNUAL RATES), TOTAL.....bil. \$.	135.7	136.4	136.8	136.3	r132.8	133.2
Private, total.....do.....	102.0	104.1	102.9	100.5	r98.4	99.2
Residential (incl. farm).....do.....	59.4	61.5	54.6	52.7	r50.4	49.9
New housing units.....do.....	48.1	49.4	44.1	42.0	39.7	39.3
Nonresidential buildings, total <u>2/</u>.....do.....	26.3	26.2	28.9	28.8	r29.4	30.7
Industrial.....do.....	5.3	5.2	6.7	7.1	r6.9	7.9
Commercial.....do.....	15.0	14.9	16.1	15.7	r16.3	16.5
Public, total.....do.....	33.7	32.3	33.8	35.8	r34.4	34.0
CONSTRUCTION COST INDEXES:						
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE COMPOSITE.....1967=100..	144	145	157	158	159	160

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MONTHLY BUSINESS STATISTICS—Continued

ITEM	1973				1974	
	Jan.	Feb.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.
FINANCE						
Commercial bank credit (last Wednesday of month, except for June 30 and Dec. 31 call dates), seas. adj.:						
Total loans and investments 1/.....bil. \$..	564.7	575.4	624.6	625.4	633.6	641.0
Loans 1/.....do.....	385.8	397.2	443.6	444.5	450.2	454.7
U.S. Government securities.....do.....	61.8	60.6	54.5	53.2	53.9	55.7
Other securities.....do.....	117.1	117.6	126.5	127.7	129.5	130.6
FOREIGN TRADE						
EXPORTS (MDSE.), INCL. REEXPORTS, TOTAL.....mil. \$..	4,773.6	4,902.9	7,127.7	6,969.7	6,873.6	7,340.1
Excl. Department of Defense Shipments.....do.....	4,731.8	4,866.2	7,091.1	6,925.7	6,831.6	7,298.2
Seasonally adjusted.....do.....	4,954.8	5,070.5	6,870.6	6,953.5	7,111.0	7,605.5
By commodity groups and principal commodities:						
Food and live animals.....do.....	690.3	672.3	1,385.2	1,293.1	1,198.1	1,156.8
Beverages and tobacco.....do.....	62.9	74.5	128.7	94.3	90.8	87.2
Crude materials, inedible, exc. fuels.....do.....	584.6	663.1	892.2	852.2	854.0	992.6
Mineral fuels, lubricants, etc.....do.....	105.2	106.7	156.2	175.0	144.2	178.6
Animal and vegetable oils, fats, waxes.....do.....	44.0	44.8	61.4	77.6	73.7	96.5
Chemicals.....do.....	388.8	384.1	566.9	544.8	604.6	650.2
Manufactured goods.....do.....	478.8	458.0	731.3	705.4	756.3	795.5
Machinery and transport equipment, total.....do.....	1,955.5	2,026.4	2,564.0	2,647.5	2,515.5	2,734.3
Electrical.....do.....	369.7	352.4	466.1	459.0	521.5	489.5
Transport equipment, total.....do.....	733.4	803.3	1,009.3	1,074.9	875.1	1,107.9
Miscellaneous manufactured articles.....do.....	275.1	270.8	373.3	346.1	371.3	382.9
Commodities not classified.....do.....	118.9	132.6	178.6	150.2	184.1	174.2
GENERAL IMPORTS, TOTAL.....do.....	5,406.5	4,958.0	6,787.2	5,777.3	6,649.6	6,692.3
Seasonally adjusted.....do.....	5,243.9	5,482.1	6,627.5	6,083.9	6,467.2	7,392.4
By commodity groups and principal commodities:						
Food and live animals.....do.....	616.7	568.4	809.0	725.3	780.8	743.4
Beverages and tobacco.....do.....	109.2	76.3	127.0	113.7	100.3	86.2
Crude materials, inedible, exc. fuels.....do.....	388.5	341.2	478.7	383.0	413.6	387.9
Mineral fuels, lubricants, etc.....do.....	532.2	495.5	908.3	1,030.5	1,304.9	1,577.0
Animal and vegetable oils and fats.....do.....	8.8	16.8	37.4	38.5	23.6	24.5
Chemicals.....do.....	189.1	190.2	216.2	208.2	200.7	226.3
Manufactured goods.....do.....	1,106.3	983.8	1,239.6	1,071.3	1,094.8	1,081.4
Machinery and transport equipment.....do.....	1,661.4	1,572.9	2,055.2	1,443.2	1,943.9	1,770.2
Miscellaneous manufactured articles.....do.....	631.5	584.1	772.2	608.3	642.3	640.2
Commodities not classified.....do.....	162.8	128.7	143.4	155.3	144.6	155.1

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