

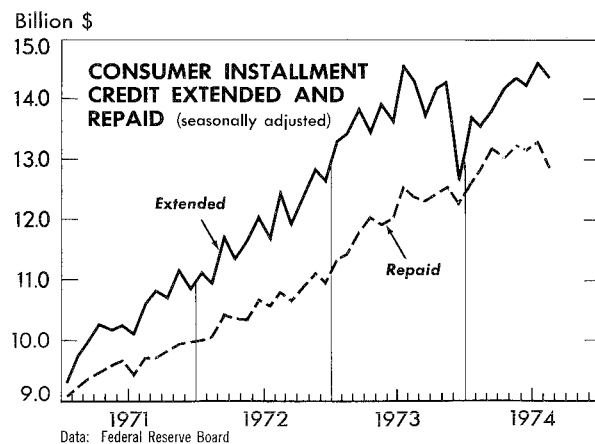
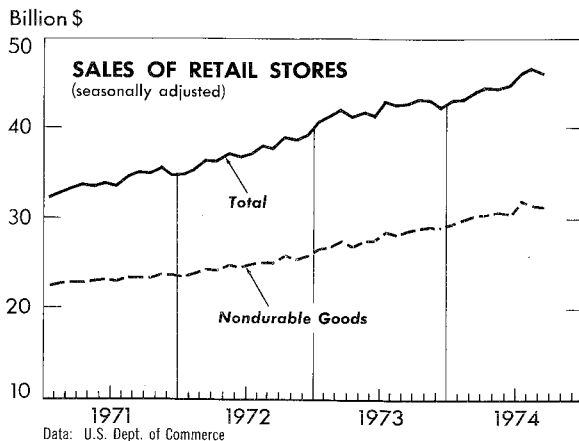
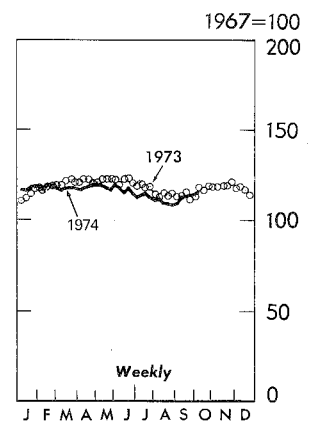
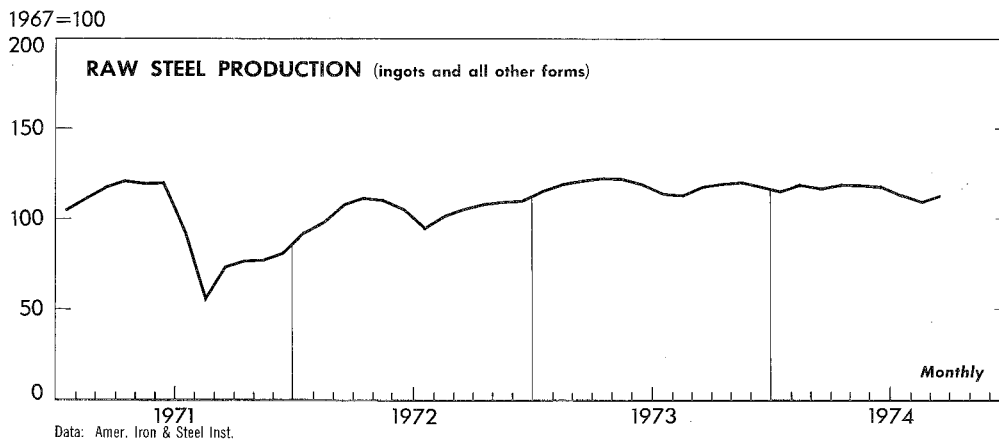
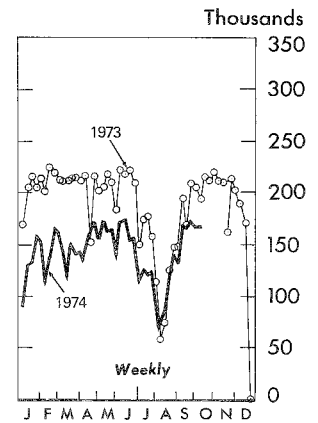
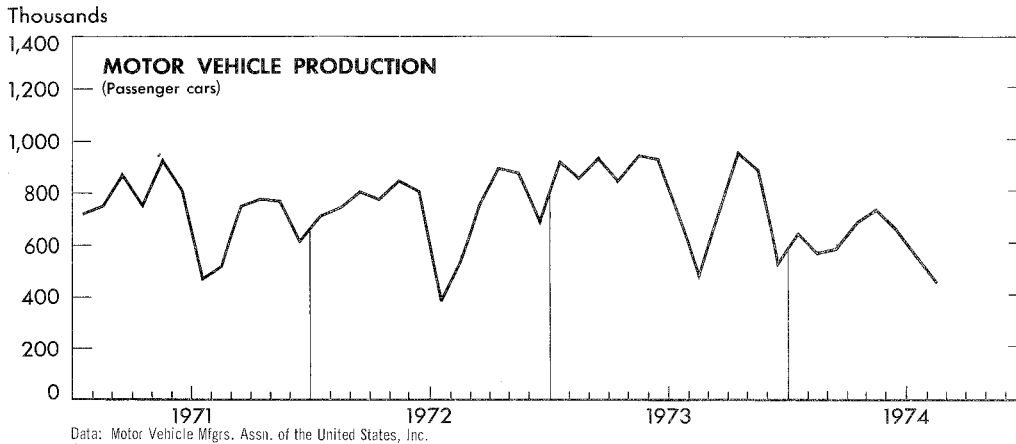


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WEEKLY BUSINESS STATISTICS¹

ITEM	1973		1974			
	Oct. 6	Oct. 13	Sept. 21	Sept. 28	Oct. 5	Oct. 12
WHOLESALE PRICES, 22 COMMODITIES ^{2/}.....1967=100..	193.2	194.7	229.4	231.7	234.4	232.4
9 Foodstuffs.....do.....	204.5	205.7	252.1	261.0	272.8	273.3
13 Raw industrials.....do.....	185.6	187.3	214.7	213.2	211.0	207.6
ALL RETAIL STORES, SALES.....mil. \$..	9,626	9,648	10,425	10,618	11,021	.....
Nondurable goods stores.....do.....	6,462	6,364	7,040	7,130	7,504	.....
INITIAL UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIMS, State programs.....thous..	210	207	284	279	324	.....
INSURED UNEMPLOYMENT, all programs.....do.....	1,400	1,469	2,051	2,063	.....	.....
State programs (50 States, D.C., and Puerto Rico).....do....	1,254	1,302	1,759	1,768	.....	.....
FAILURES, INDUST. AND COMMERCIAL (Dun & Bradstreet).number..	180	171	178	285	187	.....
FINANCE:						
Currency in circulation ^{3/}.....mil. \$..	68,366	68,886	75,302	74,890	74,832	75,322
Federal Reserve bank credit outstanding, total ^{3/}.....do....	83,110	82,980	90,901	92,513	92,720	91,027
Member bank reserve balances ^{3/}.....do....	34,673	34,794	37,119	36,972	37,560	36,625
Excess reserves, estimated ^{3/}.....do....	457	502	109	88	561	-41
Assets and liabilities of large commercial banks: ^{4/}						
Demand deposits, adjusted.....do....	97,664	99,862	100,708	100,326	101,737	.....
Savings deposits.....do....	56,391	56,173	56,881	56,875	57,225	.....
Loans and investments, gross adjusted, total.....do....	340,827	344,622	383,632	379,791	381,489	.....
U.S. Government obligations.....do....	22,655	23,179	20,876	20,069	19,567	.....
Commercial and industrial loans (gross).....do....	108,459	108,178	128,631	128,377	129,004	.....
Real estate loans (gross).....do....	53,292	53,318	59,693	59,772	59,750	.....
Bond yields, domestic corporate (Moody's) ^{3/}.....percent..	7.98	7.94	9.69	9.75	9.81	9.84
Stock prices, 500 stocks (Stand. & Poor's) ^{4/} .1941-43=10..	108.78	109.22	67.72	67.57	63.38	67.82
Industrial, 425 stocks.....do....	121.98	122.60	76.16	75.68	70.79	75.64
PRODUCTION:						
Bituminous coal.....thous. sh. tons..	11,870	12,250	13,210	13,650	12,905	.....
Electric power, by utilities.....mil. kw.-hr..	35,505	35,318	36,063	34,573	34,393	.....
Motor vehicles (passenger cars).....number..	204,171	195,005	165,746	172,667	166,871	167,603
Petroleum (crude) and condensate ^{3/}.....thous. bbl.	9,393	9,362	8,810	8,763	8,714	.....
Steel, raw.....thous. sh. tons..	2,890	2,882	2,759	2,774	2,820	2,829
Index of production.....1967=100..	118.5	118.1	113.1	113.7	115.6	116.0
RAIL FREIGHT, REVENUE TON-MILES.....bil..	17.5	17.2	16.5	17.1	17.2	.....

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

MONTHLY BUSINESS STATISTICS

ITEM	1973		1974			
	Aug.	Sept.	June	July	Aug.	Sept.
COMMODITY PRICES						
SPOT MARKET PRICES, BASIC COMMODITIES:						
22 Commodities.....1967=100..	207.8	194.9	224.4	236.9	240.8	230.5
9 Foodstuffs.....do.....	236.6	208.0	219.7	250.0	266.9	255.2
13 Raw industrials.....do.....	189.8	186.3	227.5	228.2	224.2	214.7
WHOLESALE PRICE INDEXES:						
ALL COMMODITIES.....do....	142.1	139.7	155.7	161.7	167.4	167.2
Farm products.....do....	213.3	200.4	168.6	180.8	189.2	182.7
Food and feeds, processed.....do....	166.2	156.3	157.4	167.6	179.7	176.8
Industrial commodities.....do....	126.7	127.4	153.6	157.8	161.6	162.9
Chemicals and allied products.....do....	111.0	111.5	142.8	148.4	158.5	161.7
Fuels and related products, and power.....do....	135.2	137.4	210.5	221.7	226.0	225.0
Furniture and household durables.....do....	115.9	116.0	126.1	128.2	129.8	132.8
Hides, skins, and leather products.....do....	145.0	143.8	146.0	146.6	146.2	148.1
Lumber and wood products.....do....	178.8	181.9	192.2	188.6	183.7	180.4
Machinery and equipment.....do....	122.3	122.6	137.2	140.3	144.3	146.8
Metals and metal products.....do....	133.7	134.4	174.0	180.3	185.6	187.1
Nonmetallic mineral products.....do....	130.0	129.9	152.3	156.4	157.6	159.8
Pulp, paper, and allied products.....do....	123.3	124.4	147.5	153.3	162.9	164.2
Rubber and plastics products.....do....	113.1	112.8	135.6	139.5	143.4	145.6
Textile products and apparel.....do....	125.2	126.8	141.7	142.1	142.3	142.1
Transportation equipment.....Dec. 1968=100..	115.1	114.5	122.8	125.1	126.7	127.7
Motor vehicles and equipment.....1967=100..	119.0	118.3	126.1	128.5	130.1	130.6
PURCHASING POWER OF THE DOLLAR AS MEASURED BY--						
Wholesale prices.....1967=\$1.00..	\$0.704	\$0.716	\$0.642	\$0.618	\$0.597	\$0.598
DOMESTIC TRADE						
RETAIL TRADE, ALL RETAIL STORES:						
ESTIMATED SALES (UNADJUSTED), TOTAL ^{1/}.....mil. \$..	43,135	40,916	45,609	r46,034	r48,154	43,803
Durable goods stores.....do....	14,654	13,718	15,150	r15,477	r15,533	14,149
Automotive group.....do....	8,519	7,843	8,649	r8,980	r8,922	7,913
Furniture and appliance group.....do....	2,047	1,972	2,122	r2,178	r2,210	2,044
Lumber, building, hardware group.....do....	2,180	1,937	2,193	r2,266	2,222

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	Aug.	Sept.	June	July	Aug.	Sept. p/
DOMESTIC TRADE--Con.						
RETAIL TRADE, ALL RETAIL STORES--Con.						
ESTIMATED SALES (UNADJUSTED)--Con. 1/						
Nondurable goods stores.....mil. \$..	28,481	27,198	30,459	r30,557	r32,621	29,654
Apparel group.....do.....	1,931	1,974	1,978	r1,879	r2,104	1,995
Drug and proprietary stores.....do.....	1,303	1,226	1,364	r1,364	r1,405	1,314
Eating and drinking places.....do.....	3,556	3,339	3,702	r3,734	r3,901	3,502
Food group.....do.....	9,344	8,859	9,942	r10,085	r10,925	9,700
Gasoline service stations.....do.....	3,023	2,837	3,537	r3,695	r3,757	3,437
General merchandise group with nonstores.....do.....	6,915	6,594	7,070	r6,893	r7,593	6,907
ESTIMATED SALES (SEAS. ADJ.), TOTAL 1/.....do.....	42,355	42,529	44,593	r46,356	r46,771	46,186
Durable goods stores.....do.....	14,481	14,267	14,049	r14,963	r15,303	14,740
Automotive group.....do.....	8,645	8,657	7,830	r8,563	8,996	.....
Furniture and appliance group.....do.....	2,025	2,063	2,137	r2,237	2,178	.....
Lumber, building, hardware group.....do.....	1,894	1,836	1,996	r2,028	1,936	.....
Nondurable goods stores.....do.....	27,874	28,262	30,544	r31,393	r31,468	31,446
Apparel group.....do.....	1,967	2,042	2,069	r2,148	2,108	.....
Drug and proprietary stores.....do.....	1,298	1,278	1,402	r1,421	1,384	.....
Eating and drinking places.....do.....	3,158	3,261	3,441	r3,473	3,461	.....
Food group.....do.....	8,964	8,992	9,782	r10,090	10,178	.....
Gasoline service stations.....do.....	2,836	2,880	3,421	r3,453	3,498	.....
General merchandise group with nonstores.....do.....	6,923	6,989	7,454	r7,541	7,494	.....
ESTIMATED RETAIL INVENTORIES, END OF MONTH:						
Unadjusted, total.....do.....	58,909	60,148	67,156	67,214	66,525	.....
Adjusted, total.....do.....	60,677	60,847	66,580	67,538	68,400	.....
RETAIL FIRMS WITH 11 OR MORE STORES:						
Estimated sales (unadjusted), total.....do.....	13,008	12,447	13,715	r13,546	14,811	.....
Estimated sales (seasonally adjusted), total.....do.....	12,812	13,024	13,984	r14,263	14,292	.....
LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT, AND EARNINGS						
EMPLOYEES ON PAYROLLS OF NONAGRIC. ESTAB., SEAS. ADJ. thous..						
Private sector.....do.....	75,747	75,961	77,101	r77,047	r77,113	77,146
Nonmanufacturing industries.....do.....	62,110	62,305	62,985	62,938	r62,953	62,934
Goods-producing.....do.....	42,249	42,423	43,024	r43,025	r43,112	43,070
Mining.....do.....	24,171	24,215	24,225	r24,116	r24,063	24,041
Contract construction.....do.....	634	633	665	r669	r670	675
Manufacturing.....do.....	3,676	3,700	3,599	r3,534	r3,552	3,502
Durable goods.....do.....	19,861	19,882	19,961	r19,913	r19,841	19,864
Nondurable goods.....do.....	11,692	11,708	11,783	r11,761	r11,687	11,717
Service-producing.....do.....	8,169	8,174	8,178	r8,152	r8,154	8,147
Transportation, communication, electric, gas, etc.....do.....	51,576	51,746	52,876	r52,931	r53,050	53,105
Wholesale and retail trade.....do.....	4,617	4,629	4,653	r4,648	r4,653	4,646
Wholesale trade.....do.....	16,352	16,388	16,602	r16,665	r16,663	16,651
Retail trade.....do.....	4,099	4,111	4,215	r4,205	r4,217	4,209
Finance, insurance, and real estate.....do.....	12,253	12,277	12,387	r12,460	r12,446	12,442
Services.....do.....	4,064	4,078	4,140	r4,133	r4,143	4,154
Government.....do.....	12,906	12,995	13,365	r13,376	r13,431	13,442
Federal.....do.....	13,637	13,656	14,116	r14,109	r14,160	14,212
State and local.....do.....	2,599	2,613	2,684	r2,691	r2,693	2,700
Production or nonsupervisory workers on payrolls of private nonagricultural establishments, seas. adj.:	11,038	11,043	11,432	r11,418	r11,467	11,512
Employees, total.....thous..	51,442	51,592	52,003	r51,937	r51,941	51,857
Manufacturing.....do.....	14,611	14,609	14,598	r14,546	r14,475	14,464
Durable goods.....do.....	8,597	8,599	8,599	r8,569	r8,498	8,502
Average weekly hours per worker, seasonally adjusted:						
Total private.....do.....hours..	37.0	37.2	36.7	r36.7	r36.6	36.8
Contract construction.....do.....	37.1	36.7	37.1	r37.1	36.6	36.7
Manufacturing.....do.....	40.5	40.8	40.1	40.2	r40.1	40.1
Overtime hours.....do.....	3.7	3.8	3.4	r3.4	3.3	3.1
Durable goods.....do.....	41.1	41.4	40.8	40.7	r40.8	40.6
Overtime hours.....do.....	3.9	4.0	3.4	r3.5	r3.5	3.2
Nondurable goods.....do.....	39.5	39.8	39.3	39.3	r39.1	39.2
Overtime hours.....do.....	3.3	3.4	3.2	3.2	r3.1	2.9
Retail trade.....do.....	33.0	33.2	32.8	r32.7	r32.5	32.7
Hourly earnings, average, seasonally adjusted:						
Total private nonfarm payrolls.....dollars..	3.92	3.96	4.20	4.22	4.25	4.29
Mining.....do.....	4.73	4.78	5.22	r5.27	r5.31	5.33
Contract construction 2/.....do.....	.....	.....	6.75	r6.78	r6.92	6.98
Manufacturing.....do.....	4.09	4.13	4.38	4.42	4.47	4.51
Transportation, communication, elec. gas, etc. 2/do.....	.....	.....	5.37	r5.41	r5.42	5.46
Wholesale and retail trade.....do.....	3.23	3.26	3.48	3.50	3.52	3.55
Finance, insurance, and real estate 2/.....do.....	.....	.....	3.81	r3.79	r3.82	3.88
Services 2/.....do.....	.....	.....	3.74	r3.73	r3.74	3.77
Indexes of average hourly earnings, seasonally adjusted:						
Private nonfarm economy (prod. or nonsupervisory workers):						
Current dollars.....1967=100..	147.6	149.0	158.5	159.3	r160.6	162.1
Mining.....do.....	147.5	149.5	162.6	r164.0	r165.3	165.5
Contract construction 2/.....do.....	.....	.....	163.3	r163.9	r167.6	169.2
Manufacturing.....do.....	144.5	145.4	155.4	156.7	r158.2	159.9
Transportation, communication, elec. gas, etc. 2/do.....	.....	.....	165.9	r167.0	r167.5	168.8
Wholesale and retail trade.....do.....	144.4	145.7	155.4	r156.4	r157.5	158.8
Finance, insurance, and real estate 2/.....do.....	148.7	r148.1	r149.4	151.9
Services 2/.....do.....	162.9	r162.3	r162.8	164.1

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MONTHLY BUSINESS STATISTICS—Continued

ITEM	1973		1974			
	Aug.	Sept.	June	July	Aug.	Sept. p/
LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT, AND EARNINGS--Con.						
MAN-HOURS of wage and salary workers, nonagricultural establishments, for 1 week in the month, seasonally adj. at annual rate, total.....bil. man-hours..	147.35	148.03	149.52	r149.08	r148.94	149.47
Private sector, total.....do.....	119.97	120.54	121.11	r120.76	r120.44	120.72
Mining.....do.....	1.40	1.41	1.49	r1.49	r1.50	1.51
Contract construction.....do.....	7.12	7.09	6.94	r6.82	r6.76	6.68
Manufacturing.....do.....	41.48	41.75	41.51	r41.36	r41.19	41.18
Transportation, communication, elec., gas, etc.....do.....	9.81	9.76	9.80	r9.84	9.87	9.83
Wholesale and retail trade.....do.....	29.40	29.61	29.68	r29.72	r29.52	29.71
Finance, insurance, and real estate.....do.....	7.82	7.90	7.92	r7.89	r7.93	7.97
Services.....do.....	22.94	23.03	23.77	r23.65	r23.68	23.84
Government.....do.....	27.38	27.49	28.41	r28.32	r28.50	28.75
Indexes of aggregate weekly man-hours, production or nonsupervisory workers, seasonally adjusted:						
Private sector payrolls.....1967=100..	110.9	111.4	111.5	r111.1	r110.8	110.9
Mining.....do.....	102.9	103.7	109.6	r109.0	r109.5	109.0
Contract construction.....do.....	110.6	110.2	106.7	r104.7	r104.4	103.0
Manufacturing.....do.....	101.8	102.6	100.9	r100.5	r100.0	99.8
Durable goods.....do.....	102.6	103.5	101.7	r101.3	r100.5	100.4
Nondurable goods.....do.....	100.7	101.2	99.7	r99.4	r99.2	98.9
Transportation, communication, elec., gas, etc.....do.....	107.9	107.2	107.5	r107.8	108.1	107.5
Wholesale and retail trade.....do.....	113.0	113.8	113.8	r113.9	r113.1	113.8
Finance, insurance, and real estate.....do.....	122.7	123.7	123.3	r122.5	r123.0	123.5
Services.....do.....	122.8	123.3	127.0	r126.4	r126.5	127.2
FINANCE						
CONSUMER CREDIT (SHORT- AND INTERMEDIATE-TERM):						
Total outstanding, end of month.....mil. \$..	171,978	173,035	183,425	184,805	187,369	.....
Installment credit, total.....do.....	140,810	142,093	150,615	152,142	154,472	.....
Installment credit, extended and repaid:						
Unadjusted:						
Extended, total.....do.....	15,099	12,624	14,641	15,486	15,209	.....
Repaid, total.....do.....	12,501	11,341	12,878	13,959	12,879	.....
Seasonally adjusted:						
Extended, total.....do.....	14,294	13,691	14,387	14,635	14,394
Repaid, total.....do.....	12,399	12,332	13,301	13,310	12,882

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