



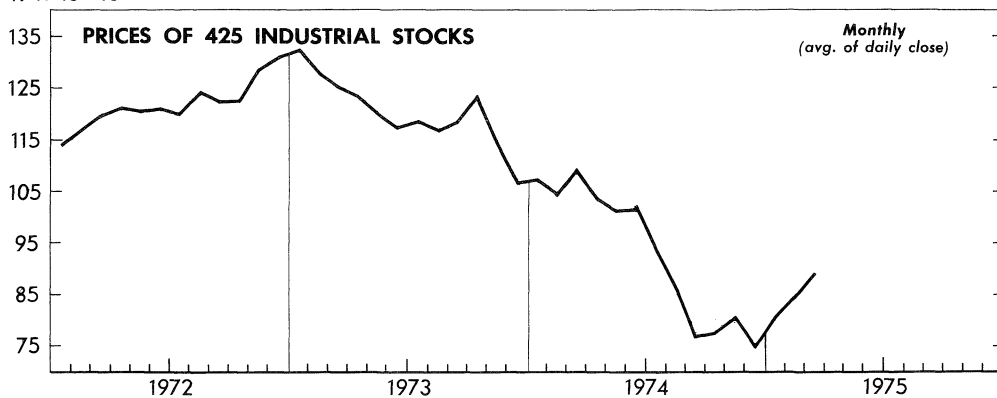
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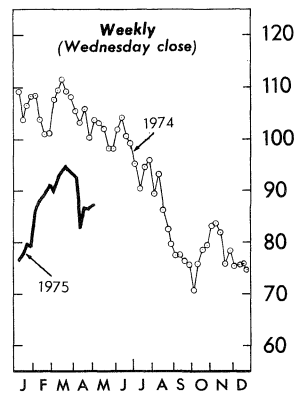
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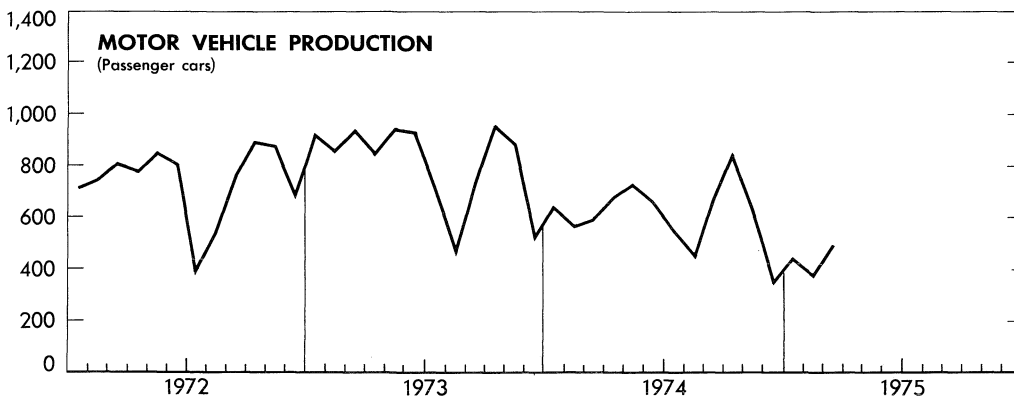


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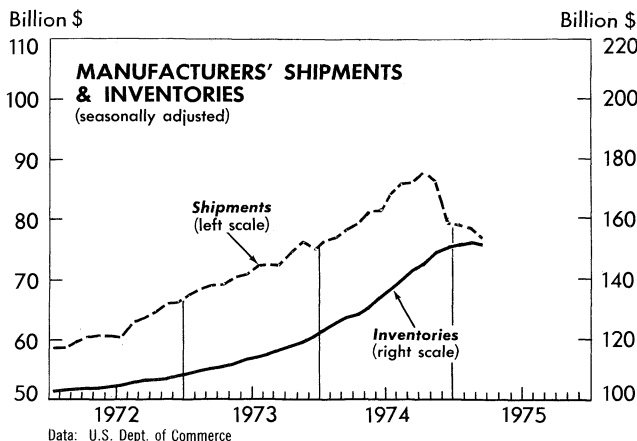
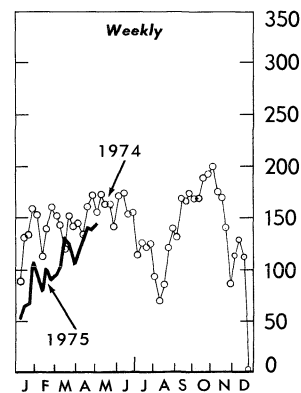


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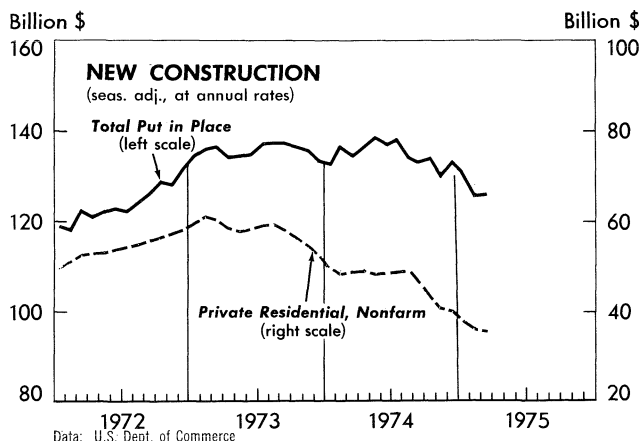


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WEEKLY BUSINESS STATISTICS¹

| ITEM | 1974 | | 1975 | | | |
|--|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| | Apr. 27 | May 4 | Apr. 12 | Apr. 19 | Apr. 26 | May 3 |
| WHOLESALE PRICES, 22 COMMODITIES ^{2/} 1967=100.. | 231.7 | 229.4 | 199.9 | 201.6 | 202.2 | 198.9 |
| 9 Foodstuffs.....do..... | 221.2 | 221.9 | 225.2 | 225.9 | 223.8 | 215.5 |
| 13 Raw industrials.....do..... | 239.1 | 234.6 | 184.0 | 186.3 | 188.3 | 188.1 |
| ALL RETAIL STORES, SALES.....mil. \$.. | 10,076 | 10,546 | 10,685 | 10,862 | 10,935 | ..... |
| Nondurable goods stores.....do..... | 6,739 | 7,040 | 7,375 | 7,387 | 7,381 | ..... |
| INITIAL UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIMS, State programs.....thous.. | 235 | 244 | 496 | 456 | 430 | ..... |
| INSURED UNEMPLOYMENT, all programs.....do..... | 2,471 | 2,392 | 5,729 | 5,663 | ..... | ..... |
| State programs (50 States, D.C., and Puerto Rico).....do..... | 2,114 | 2,038 | 4,870 | 4,788 | ..... | ..... |
| FAILURES, INDUST. AND COMMERCIAL (Dun & Bradstreet)...number.. | 170 | 170 | 203 | 294 | 313 | 315 |
| FINANCE: | | | | | | |
| Currency in circulation ^{3/} mil. \$.. | 72,308 | 72,048 | 78,453 | 78,778 | 78,478 | 78,128 |
| Federal Reserve bank credit outstanding, total ^{3/} ....do.... | 87,526 | 88,365 | 90,806 | 90,719 | 93,745 | 97,613 |
| Member bank reserve balances ^{3/}.....do..... | 36,055 | 36,845 | 34,674 | 35,213 | 35,301 | 35,544 |
| Excess reserves, estimated ^{3/}.....do..... | 139 | 177 | 118 | 136 | 143 | 240 |
| Assets and liabilities of large commercial banks: ^{4/} | | | | | | |
| Demand deposits, adjusted.....do..... | 100,587 | 102,010 | 104,982 | 105,614 | 102,642 | ..... |
| Savings deposits.....do..... | 57,879 | 57,836 | 62,508 | 62,273 | 62,327 | ..... |
| Loans and investments, gross adjusted, total.....do..... | 363,982 | 369,356 | 378,622 | 378,117 | 374,132 | ..... |
| U.S. Government obligations.....do..... | 23,483 | 22,960 | 29,146 | 28,968 | 28,035 | ..... |
| Commercial and industrial loans (gross).....do..... | 119,475 | 121,575 | 125,874 | 125,998 | 125,290 | ..... |
| Real estate loans (gross).....do..... | 56,462 | 56,767 | 59,440 | 59,489 | 59,450 | ..... |
| Bond yields, domestic corporate (Moody's) ^{3/}.....percent.. | 8.55 | 8.62 | 9.46 | 9.50 | 9.53 | 9.57 |
| Stock prices, 500 stocks (Stand. & Poor's) ^{4/} ...1941-43=10.. | 90.30 | 92.22 | 82.84 | 86.60 | 86.12 | 87.30 |
| Industrial, 425 stocks.....do..... | 101.43 | 103.97 | 93.03 | 97.50 | 96.98 | 98.42 |
| PRODUCTION: | | | | | | |
| Bituminous coal.....thous. sh. tons.. | 12,860 | 12,760 | 12,520 | 13,405 | 13,180 | ..... |
| Electric power, by utilities.....mil. kw.-hr.. | 33,209 | 33,520 | 34,346 | 33,502 | 33,327 | ..... |
| Motor vehicles (passenger cars).....number.. | 171,846 | 155,070 | 131,391 | 140,204 | 137,448 | 145,060 |
| Petroleum (crude) and condensate ^{3/}.....thous. bbl.. | 9,076 | 9,001 | 8,362 | 8,352 | 8,387 | ..... |
| Steel, raw.....thous. sh. tons.. | 2,907 | 2,911 | 2,541 | 2,491 | 2,488 | 2,436 |
| Index of production.....1967=100.. | 119.2 | 119.3 | 104.2 | 102.1 | 102.0 | 99.8 |
| RAIL FREIGHT, REVENUE TON-MILES.....bil.. | 17.4 | 17.5 | 14.7 | 14.9 | 15.1 | ..... |

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

MONTHLY BUSINESS STATISTICS

| ITEM | 1974 | | | 1975 | | |
|---|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|--------|
| | Feb. | Mar. | Dec. | Jan. | Feb. | Mar. |
| GENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORS | | | | | | |
| MANUFACTURERS' SHIPMENTS: | | | | | | |
| NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED, TOTAL..... mil. \$.. | 78,072 | 81,391 | 75,406 | 73,923 | r80,103 | 80,025 |
| Durable goods industries, total ^{1/}.....do..... | 40,828 | 42,829 | 38,158 | 37,259 | 40,467 | 40,712 |
| Stone, clay, and glass products.....do..... | 1,993 | 2,150 | 1,830 | 1,857 | r1,913 | 2,011 |
| Primary metals.....do..... | 7,061 | 7,555 | 6,690 | 6,972 | 7,026 | 6,597 |
| Fabricated metal products.....do..... | 4,739 | 4,921 | 4,712 | 4,579 | r4,830 | 4,732 |
| Machinery, except electrical.....do..... | 7,020 | 7,551 | 7,443 | 6,927 | r7,758 | 7,860 |
| Electrical machinery.....do..... | 5,662 | 5,777 | 5,117 | 4,674 | r5,241 | 5,211 |
| Transportation equipment.....do..... | 8,855 | 8,941 | 7,379 | 7,550 | 8,560 | 9,066 |
| Instruments and related products.....do..... | 1,240 | 1,316 | 1,344 | 1,215 | r1,290 | 1,356 |
| Nondurable goods industries, total ^{1/}.....do..... | 37,244 | 38,562 | 37,248 | 36,664 | r39,636 | 39,313 |
| Food and kindred products.....do..... | 12,653 | 12,939 | 13,372 | 12,846 | r13,629 | 13,601 |
| Tobacco products.....do..... | 509 | 530 | 600 | 568 | 586 | 589 |
| Textile mill products.....do..... | 2,785 | 2,932 | 2,262 | 2,060 | r2,287 | 2,529 |
| Paper and allied products.....do..... | 3,125 | 3,217 | 3,097 | 3,104 | r3,293 | 3,126 |
| Chemicals and allied products.....do..... | 6,452 | 6,729 | 6,118 | 6,292 | r7,019 | 6,982 |
| Petroleum and coal products.....do..... | 4,173 | 4,374 | 4,970 | 4,847 | r4,985 | 4,807 |
| Rubber and plastics products.....do..... | 1,842 | 1,919 | 1,715 | 1,816 | r1,923 | 1,945 |
| SEASONALLY ADJUSTED, TOTAL.....do..... | 76,978 | 78,197 | 79,487 | 79,124 | r78,875 | 76,866 |
| By industry group: | | | | | | |
| Durable goods industries, total ^{1/}.....do..... | 40,073 | 40,635 | 40,549 | 40,137 | 39,653 | 38,555 |
| Stone, clay, and glass products.....do..... | 2,159 | 2,154 | 2,070 | 2,144 | r2,072 | 2,014 |
| Primary metals.....do..... | 6,884 | 7,059 | 7,379 | 7,241 | 6,852 | 6,158 |
| Fabricated metal products.....do..... | 4,823 | 4,836 | 4,940 | 5,062 | r4,902 | 4,639 |
| Machinery, except electrical.....do..... | 6,712 | 6,969 | 7,740 | 7,385 | r7,415 | 7,254 |
| Electrical machinery.....do..... | 5,621 | 5,629 | 5,076 | 5,114 | r5,197 | 5,066 |
| Transportation equipment.....do..... | 8,262 | 8,177 | 7,874 | 7,935 | 7,984 | 8,299 |
| Instruments and related products.....do..... | 1,281 | 1,315 | 1,357 | 1,351 | 1,328 | 1,356 |

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

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| ITEM | 1974 | | | 1975 | | |
|---|---------|---------|---------|---------|----------|---------|
| | Feb. | Mar. | Dec. | Jan. | Feb. | Mar. |
| GENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORS--Con. | | | | | | |
| MANUFACTURERS' SHIPMENTS (SEAS. ADJ.)--Con. | | | | | | |
| By industry group--Con. | | | | | | |
| Nondurable goods industries, total 1/..... mil. \$.. | 36,905 | 37,562 | 38,938 | 38,987 | r39,222 | 38,311 |
| Food and kindred products.....do.... | 12,693 | 12,730 | 13,494 | 13,690 | r13,656 | 13,361 |
| Tobacco products.....do.... | 535 | 544 | 615 | 603 | r616 | 604 |
| Textile mill products.....do.... | 2,816 | 2,759 | 2,342 | 2,241 | r2,309 | 2,378 |
| Paper and allied products.....do.... | 3,067 | 3,091 | 3,287 | 3,215 | r3,230 | 3,003 |
| Chemicals and allied products.....do.... | 6,315 | 6,435 | 6,866 | 6,775 | r6,863 | 6,684 |
| Petroleum and coal products.....do.... | 4,077 | 4,404 | 4,915 | 4,835 | r4,854 | 4,832 |
| Rubber and plastics products.....do.... | 1,819 | 1,826 | 1,898 | 1,957 | r1,899 | 1,850 |
| INVENTORIES, END OF MONTH: | | | | | | |
| Book value (unadjusted), total.....do.... | 125,398 | 127,125 | 149,762 | 151,943 | r152,692 | 152,053 |
| Durable goods industries, total.....do.... | 82,181 | 83,515 | 97,198 | 99,005 | r100,403 | 100,625 |
| Nondurable goods industries, total.....do.... | 43,217 | 43,610 | 52,564 | 52,938 | r52,289 | 51,428 |
| Book value (seasonally adjusted), total.....do.... | 124,831 | 126,500 | 150,404 | 151,624 | r151,993 | 151,308 |
| By industry group: | | | | | | |
| Durable goods industries, total 1/.....do.... | 81,925 | 83,014 | 97,967 | 99,124 | r100,082 | 100,012 |
| Stone, clay, and glass products.....do.... | 2,861 | 2,952 | 3,721 | 3,760 | r3,741 | 3,806 |
| Primary metals.....do.... | 9,523 | 9,562 | 11,861 | 12,446 | r13,015 | 13,424 |
| Fabricated metal products.....do.... | 9,264 | 9,384 | 11,793 | 11,825 | r12,045 | 12,128 |
| Machinery, except electrical.....do.... | 17,405 | 17,693 | 21,552 | 21,907 | r22,168 | 22,430 |
| Electrical machinery.....do.... | 13,016 | 13,133 | 14,684 | 14,801 | r14,758 | 15,197 |
| Transportation equipment.....do.... | 18,460 | 18,671 | 21,000 | 21,245 | r21,392 | 21,066 |
| Instruments and related products.....do.... | 3,581 | 3,627 | 4,329 | 4,292 | r4,223 | 4,138 |
| Nondurable goods industries, total 1/.....do.... | 42,906 | 43,486 | 52,437 | 52,500 | r51,911 | 51,296 |
| Food and kindred products.....do.... | 10,791 | 11,035 | 12,425 | 12,145 | r11,930 | 11,689 |
| Tobacco products.....do.... | 2,589 | 2,588 | 2,950 | 3,069 | r3,095 | 3,063 |
| Textile mill products.....do.... | 4,675 | 4,733 | 4,812 | 4,694 | r4,543 | 4,402 |
| Paper and allied products.....do.... | 3,403 | 3,484 | 4,737 | 4,871 | r4,877 | 4,900 |
| Chemicals and allied products.....do.... | 7,563 | 7,655 | 10,605 | 10,924 | r10,875 | 10,830 |
| Petroleum and coal products.....do.... | 2,868 | 3,002 | 3,925 | 4,061 | r4,210 | 4,259 |
| Rubber and plastics products.....do.... | 2,742 | 2,742 | 3,267 | 3,298 | r3,227 | 3,193 |
| NEW ORDERS, NET (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED), TOTAL.....do.... | | | | | | |
| Durable goods industries, total.....do.... | 81,480 | 83,377 | 72,894 | 72,026 | r78,444 | 77,388 |
| Nondurable goods industries, total.....do.... | 44,158 | 44,736 | 36,024 | 35,434 | r38,811 | 38,008 |
| NEW ORDERS, NET (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED), TOTAL.....do.... | 37,322 | 38,641 | 36,870 | 36,592 | r39,633 | 39,380 |
| By industry group: | | | | | | |
| Durable goods industries, total 1/.....do.... | 79,127 | 79,547 | 76,454 | 74,958 | r76,139 | 73,873 |
| Primary metals.....do.... | 42,267 | 41,974 | 37,842 | 36,062 | 37,023 | 35,541 |
| Fabricated metal products.....do.... | 6,624 | 6,930 | 6,297 | 5,071 | 5,378 | 4,977 |
| Machinery, except electrical.....do.... | 5,410 | 5,165 | 4,387 | 4,720 | r4,784 | 4,369 |
| Transportation equipment.....do.... | 7,427 | 8,018 | 7,426 | 6,837 | r6,805 | 6,802 |
| Nondurable goods industries, total.....do.... | 8,822 | 7,998 | 8,050 | 7,253 | 8,030 | 7,879 |
| Industries with unfilled orders.....do.... | 36,860 | 37,573 | 38,612 | 38,896 | r39,116 | 38,332 |
| Industries without unfilled orders.....do.... | 8,902 | 8,908 | 8,351 | 8,537 | r8,641 | 8,425 |
| UNFILLED ORDERS, END OF MONTH (UNADJ.), TOTAL.....do.... | 27,958 | 28,665 | 30,261 | 30,359 | r30,475 | 29,907 |
| UNFILLED ORDERS, END OF MONTH (SEAS. ADJ.), TOTAL.....do.... | | | | | | |
| Durable goods industries, total.....do.... | 120,559 | 122,546 | 132,345 | 130,452 | r128,797 | 126,158 |
| Nondurable goods industries with unfilled orders.....do.... | 115,522 | 117,429 | 128,563 | 126,741 | 125,089 | 122,385 |
| UNFILLED ORDERS, END OF MONTH (SEAS. ADJ.), TOTAL.....do.... | 5,037 | 5,117 | 3,782 | 3,711 | r3,708 | 3,773 |
| By industry group: | | | | | | |
| Durable goods industries, total 1/.....do.... | 118,599 | 119,955 | 133,832 | 129,671 | r126,939 | 123,948 |
| Primary metals.....do.... | 113,584 | 114,927 | 129,944 | 125,873 | 123,246 | 120,236 |
| Fabricated metal products.....do.... | 13,773 | 13,645 | 17,202 | 15,033 | 13,560 | 12,377 |
| Machinery, except electrical.....do.... | 16,073 | 16,401 | 19,710 | 19,369 | r19,253 | 18,983 |
| Electrical machinery.....do.... | 23,156 | 24,207 | 29,592 | 29,046 | r28,438 | 27,983 |
| Transportation equipment.....do.... | 21,018 | 21,140 | 20,575 | 20,378 | r20,113 | 19,632 |
| Nondurable goods industries with unfilled orders.....do.... | 31,607 | 31,430 | 34,375 | 33,694 | 33,742 | 33,324 |
| CONSTRUCTION AND REAL ESTATE | 5,015 | 5,028 | 3,888 | 3,798 | 3,693 | 3,712 |
| NEW CONSTRUCTION PUT IN PLACE (UNADJ.), TOTAL..... mil. \$.. | | | | | | |
| Private, total.....do.... | 9,345 | 9,969 | 10,544 | r9,142 | r8,487 | 9,169 |
| Residential (incl. farm).....do.... | 6,762 | 7,276 | 7,444 | r6,331 | r5,803 | 6,105 |
| New housing units.....do.... | 3,268 | 3,500 | 3,218 | r2,605 | r2,313 | 2,504 |
| Nonresidential buildings, total 2/.....do.... | 2,670 | 2,839 | 2,431 | r2,013 | r1,760 | 1,861 |
| Industrial.....do.... | 2,170 | 2,314 | 2,482 | r2,206 | r2,110 | 2,057 |
| Commercial.....do.... | 552 | 569 | 750 | r634 | r612 | 619 |
| Public, total.....do.... | 1,167 | 1,246 | 1,256 | r1,128 | r1,069 | 1,008 |
| NEW CONSTRUCTION PUT IN PLACE (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED AT ANNUAL RATES), TOTAL..... bil. \$.. | 2,583 | 2,693 | 3,100 | r2,811 | r2,684 | 3,064 |
| Private, total.....do.... | 136.3 | 135.1 | 132.8 | r130.3 | r125.6 | 125.8 |
| Residential (incl. farm).....do.... | 98.8 | 98.6 | 90.9 | r88.5 | r86.6 | 84.4 |
| New housing units.....do.... | 48.9 | 48.6 | 40.0 | r37.7 | 36.2 | 35.7 |
| Nonresidential buildings, total 2/.....do.... | 38.9 | 39.1 | 29.8 | r27.9 | 26.7 | 26.3 |
| Industrial.....do.... | 30.7 | 30.5 | 29.9 | r29.4 | 29.8 | 27.1 |
| Commercial.....do.... | 7.9 | 7.5 | 8.8 | 8.5 | 8.7 | 8.2 |
| Public, total.....do.... | 16.7 | 16.7 | 15.4 | r15.1 | r15.2 | 13.4 |
| CONSTRUCTION COST INDEXES: | 37.5 | 36.4 | 41.9 | r41.8 | r39.8 | 41.3 |
| DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE COMPOSITE.....1967=100.. | 164 | 166 | 183 | 184 | 185 | 186 |

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| ITEM | 1974 | | 1975 | | | |
|---|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| | Mar. | Apr. | Jan. | Feb. | Mar. | Apr. |
| LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT, AND EARNINGS | | | | | | |
| LABOR FORCE, total, persons 16 years of age and over, not seasonally adjusted..... thous.. | 91,884 | 91,736 | 93,342 | 93,111 | 93,593 | 93,564 |
| Civilian labor force..... do..... | 89,633 | 89,493 | 91,149 | 90,913 | 91,395 | 91,369 |
| Employed, total..... do..... | 84,878 | 85,192 | 82,969 | 82,604 | 83,036 | 83,549 |
| Agriculture..... do..... | 3,334 | 3,437 | 2,888 | 2,890 | 2,988 | 3,171 |
| Nonagricultural industries..... do..... | 81,544 | 81,756 | 80,082 | 79,714 | 80,048 | 80,377 |
| Unemployed..... do..... | 4,755 | 4,301 | 8,180 | 8,309 | 8,359 | 7,820 |
| Civilian labor force, seasonally adjusted..... do..... | 90,381 | 90,324 | 92,091 | 91,511 | 91,829 | 92,262 |
| Employed, total..... do..... | 85,779 | 85,787 | 84,562 | 84,027 | 83,849 | 84,086 |
| Agriculture..... do..... | 3,653 | 3,515 | 3,383 | 3,326 | 3,265 | 3,238 |
| Nonagricultural industries..... do..... | 82,126 | 82,272 | 81,179 | 80,701 | 80,584 | 80,848 |
| Unemployed..... do..... | 4,602 | 4,537 | 7,529 | 7,484 | 7,980 | 8,176 |
| Long-term, 15 weeks and over..... do..... | 820 | 875 | 1,537 | 1,822 | 1,991 | 2,403 |
| Rates (unemployed in each group as percent of total in the group): | | | | | | |
| All civilian workers..... | 5.1 | 5.0 | 8.2 | 8.2 | 8.7 | 8.9 |
| Men, 20 years and over..... | 3.4 | 3.5 | 6.0 | 6.2 | 6.8 | 7.0 |
| Women, 20 years and over..... | 5.0 | 5.0 | 8.1 | 8.1 | 8.5 | 8.6 |
| Both sexes, 16-19 years..... | 15.0 | 14.0 | 20.8 | 19.9 | 20.6 | 20.4 |
| White..... | 4.6 | 4.5 | 7.5 | 7.4 | 8.0 | 8.1 |
| Negro and other races..... | 9.2 | 8.8 | 13.4 | 13.5 | 14.2 | 14.6 |
| Married men, wife present..... | 2.3 | 2.4 | 4.5 | 4.7 | 5.2 | 5.6 |
| Occupation: White-collar workers..... | 2.9 | 2.9 | 4.6 | 4.5 | 4.6 | 4.7 |
| Blue-collar workers..... | 6.0 | 6.3 | 11.0 | 10.9 | 12.5 | 13.0 |
| Industry: Private nonfarm wage and salary workers..... | 5.1 | 5.2 | 8.7 | 8.8 | 9.3 | 9.8 |
| Construction..... | 8.7 | 9.9 | 15.0 | 15.9 | 18.1 | 19.3 |
| Manufacturing..... | 5.0 | 5.0 | 10.5 | 11.0 | 11.4 | 12.2 |
| Durable goods..... | 4.8 | 4.9 | 10.5 | 10.9 | 11.3 | 12.8 |
| LABOR TURNOVER IN MANUFACTURING ESTABLISHMENTS: | | | | | | |
| Unadjusted for seasonal variation: | | | | | | |
| Accession rate, total..... mo. rate per 100 employees.. | 4.0 | 4.4 | 3.0 | 2.7 | p3.2 | .... |
| New hires..... do..... | 3.0 | 3.3 | 1.3 | 1.2 | p1.3 | .... |
| Separation rate, total..... do..... | 4.4 | 4.2 | 6.2 | r4.5 | p4.2 | |
| Quit..... do..... | 2.3 | 2.4 | 1.1 | .9 | p1.0 | |
| Layoff..... do..... | 1.1 | .9 | 4.1 | r2.9 | p2.5 | |

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