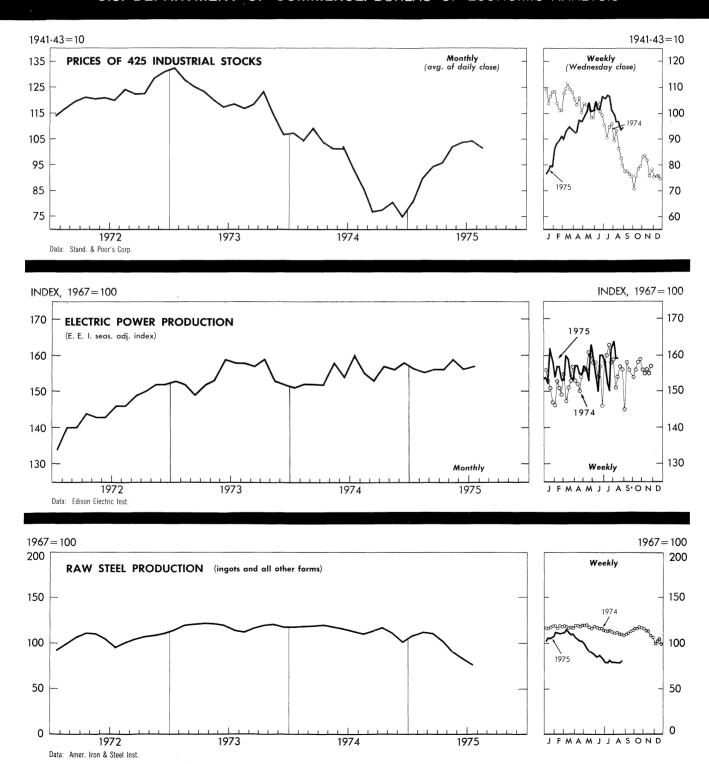
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## U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE/BUREAU OF ECONOMIC ANALYSIS



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ITEM	1974		1975				
	Aug. 24	Aug. 31	Aug. 9	Aug. 16	Aug. 23	Aug. 30	
WHOLESALE PRICES, 22 COMMODITIES 2/	238.6 266.2 221.1	236.3 259.2 221.5	198.7 244.8 171.9	207.7 252.7 181.2	207.8 252.5 181.5	208.4 249.4 184.0	
ALL RETAIL STORES, SALES	10,778 7,248	11,110 7,390	11,181 7,721	11,220 7,704	11,296 7,770		
INITIAL UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIMS, State programsthous. INSURED UNEMPLOYMENT, all programsdo State programs (50 States, D.C., and Puerto Rico)do FAILURES, INDUST. AND COMMERCIAL (Dun & Bradstreet).number	261 2,112 1,836 204	259 2,032 1,763 184	429 4,838 3,675 218	367 46,770 3,504 204	354  195		
FINANCE:  Currency in circulation 3/	74,872 91,998 37,156 209 98,797 57,237 376,380 21,040 126,560 59,172	74,613 92,086 37,066 146 100,293 57,079 381,441 21,130 126,150 59,428	81,497 92,336 34,563 318 101,879 65,439 374,217 32,097 120,052 58,990	82,043 91,125 34,150 -5 102,830 65,382 372,864 32,640 119,714 59,046	82,024 92,576 34,672 250 101,448 65,277 373,129 33,193 119,322 59,016	81,611 92,881 34,467 286	
Bond yields, domestic corporate (Moody's) 3/percent Stock prices, 500 stocks (Stand. & Poor's) 4/.1941-43=10 Industrial, 425 stocksdo	9.39 73.51 82.56	9.47 70.76 79.58	9.48 86.25 96.79	9.50 85.97 96.49	9.52 83.22 93.36	9.53 84.43 94.76	
PRODUCTION:  Bituminous coal	7,535 40,299 120,847 8,902	12,705 39,611 138,306 8,913	13,040 39,841 99,674 8,386	12,215 40,896 103,559 8,357	11,385 40,489 128,174 8,359	141,511	
Steel, raw	2,664 109.2 15.4	2,649 108.6 17.2	1,914 78.5 14.9	1,915 78.5 15.1	1,962 80.4 15.1	2,038 83.5	

 $<sup>\</sup>underline{1}/\text{ Data do not always cover calendar weeks. }\underline{2}/\text{ Tuesday price. }\underline{3}/\text{ Daily average. }\underline{4}/\text{ Wednesday data.}$ 

## MONTHLY BUSINESS STATISTICS

ITEM	1974		1975				
	June	July	Apr.	May	June	July	
GENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORS							
MANUFACTURERS' SHIPMENTS:  NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED, TOTALmil. \$.  Durable goods industries, total 1/do  Stone, clay, and glass productsdo  Primary metalsdo  Fabricated metal productsdo	86,527	77,487	81,730	80,273	r85,494	76,711	
	46,661	39,682	42,015	41,261	r43,699	37,398	
	2,415	2,205	2,217	2,229	r2,321	2,190	
	8,475	7,483	6,582	6,191	r6,264	5,479	
	5,440	4,937	5,183	5,053	r5,248	4,825	
Machinery, except electrical do Electrical machinery do Transportation equipment do Instruments and related products do	8,011	6,598	7,789	7,507	r8,122	6,627	
	6,024	5,081	5,299	5,240	r5,630	4,907	
	10,040	8,032	9,381	9,492	r10,131	7,930	
	1,419	1,242	1,373	1,362	r1,493	1,314	
Nondurable goods industries, total 1/do  Food and kindred productsdo  Tobacco productsdo  Textile mill productsdo	39,866	37,805	39,715	39,012	r41,795	39,313	
	12,527	12,358	13,535	13,256	r14,059	13,206	
	601	597	585	605	r627	625	
	3,085	2,432	2,446	2,528	r2,924	2,373	
Paper and allied productsdo Chemicals and allied productsdo Petroleum and coal productsdo Rubber and plastics productsdo	3,476	3,252	3,185	3,171	r3,419	3,204	
	7,158	6,580	7,183	7,007	r7,374	6,658	
	4,983	5,068	4,982	4,988	r5,376	5,439	
	2,082	1,876	1,998	1,957	r2,116	1,920	
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED, TOTAL 2/	r81,519	r83,728	r80,333	r79,423	r80,740	82,634	
	r43,138	r43,831	r40,851	r40,183	r40,458	41,162	
	2,205	2,239	2,181	2,140	r2,119	2,224	
	7,665	8,136	5,968	5,711	5,662	5,959	
	5,072	5,283	5,113	5,033	r4,898	5,162	
Machinery, except electricaldo  Electrical machinerydo  Transportation equipment 2/do  Instruments and related productsdo	7,279	7,234	7,471	7,326	r7,380	7,261	
	5,683	5,572	5,448	5,414	r5,206	5,373	
	r9,329	r9,754	r9,132	r9,033	r9,456	9,462	
	1,332	1,327	1,402	1,365	1,402	1,406	

r/ Revised. 1/ Includes data for "other industries" not shown. 2/ Data for all months back to January 1972 have been revised to reflect updating of the seasonal factors for the automotive industry. 31,048

ITEM	1974		1975				
	June	July	Apr.	May	June	July	
GENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORSCon.							
MANUFACTURERS' SHIPMENTS (SEAS. ADJ.)Con.  By industry groupCon.  Nondurable goods industries, total 1/mil. \$	38,381	39,897	39,482	39,240	r40,282	41,472	
Food and kindred products	12,186 557	12,869 584	13,844 605	13,435 598	r13,675 r582	13,744 612	
Textile mill products	2,902 3,322	2,824 3,453	2,484 3,165	2,589 3,193	r2,751 r3,270	2,757 3,404	
Chemicals and allied productsdo  Petroleum and coal productsdo	6,731 4,875	7,163 5,108	6,637 5,014	6,611 5,064	r6,944 r5,272	7,269 5,489	
Rubber and plastics productsdo	1,946	2,033	1,889	1,897	1,976	2,080	
Book value (unadjusted), totaldo  Durable goods industries, totaldo	133,794 87,556	136,178 89,067	151,351 100,729	150,109 100,276	r148,160 r98,910	146,404 97,793	
Nondurable goods industries, totaldo  Book value (seasonally adjusted), totaldo	46,238 133,541	47,111 136,731	50,622 150,184	49,833 148,951	r49,250 r148,059	48,611 147,109	
By industry group: Durable goods industries, total 1/do	87,366	89,286	99,803	99,378	r98,796	98,116	
Stone, clay, and glass productsdo  Primary metalsdo	3,210 10,195	3,317 10,550	3,773 13,770	3,728 14,114	r3,692 r14,295	3,653 14,298	
Fabricated metal productsdo  Machinery, except electricaldo	9,878 18,937	10,138 19,271	11,885 22,478	11,678 22,312	r11,407 r22,116	11,278 21,950	
Electrical machinerydo Transportation equipmentdo	13,662 19,113	13,889 19,349	14,088 21,335	13,837 21,336	r13,580 r21,494	13,441 21,443	
Instruments and related productsdo	3,918	4,057	4,045	4,018	r3,966	3,921	
Nondurable goods industries, total 1/do Food and kindred productsdo	46,175 11,094	47,445 11,428	50,381 11,480	49,573 11,079	r49,263 r10,702 r3,095	48,993 10,754 3,117	
Tobacco productsdo  Textile mill productsdo	2,577 4,863	2,606 5,006	3,037 4,267	3,059 4,226	r4,200	4,214 4,465	
Paper and allied productsdodo	3,843 8,462	3,987 8,789	4,738 10,931	4,658 10,888	r4,597 r10,921	10,671	
Petroleum and coal productsdo Rubber and plastics productsdo	3,711 2,941	3,676 3,020	4,157 3,069	4,066 3,055	r4,107 r3,053	4,140 3,050	
NEW ORDERS, NET (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED), TOTALdo Durable goods industries, totaldo	88,834 49,061	81,628 43,928	79,345 39,479	77,916 38,800	r83,735 r41,746	78,135 38,630	
Nondurable goods industries, total	39,773 r85,529	37,700 r87,226	39,866 r78,600	39,116 r78,753	r41,989 r80,237	39,505 83,124	
By industry group:  Durable goods industries, total 1/, 2/do	r47,201	r47,418	r38,983	r39,428	r39,730	41,451	
Primary metalsdo  Fabricated metal productsdo	9,293 5,923	8,724 6,119	5,395 4,813	5,863 4,844	5,887 r4,700	6,210 5,023	
Machinery, except electricaldo	8,021 5,920	8,612 5,615	6,946 5,316	7,117 5,183	r6,984 r5,133	7,258 5,258	
Transportation equipment 2/do  Nondurable goods industries, totaldo	r9,682 38,328	r10,438 39,808	r8,738 39,617	r8,769 39,325	r9,194 r40,507	9,716 41,673	
Industries with unfilled ordersdo Industries without unfilled ordersdo	9,219 29,109	9,447 30,361	8,911 30,706	9,010 30,315	r9,346 r31,161	9,652 32,021	
UNFILLED ORDERS, END OF MONTH (UNADJ.), TOTALdo	129,656	133,800 128,786	123,761 119,852	121,411 117,397	r119,657 115,448	121,072 116,683	
Durable goods industries, totaldo Nondurable goods industries with unfilled ordersdo	124,536 5,120 131,129	5,014 134,623	3,909 122,066	4,014 121,396	r4,209 r120,901	4,389 121,393	
UNFILLED ORDERS, END OF MONTH (SEAS. ADJ.), TOTALdo  By industry group:  Durable goods industries, total 1/do	126,082	129,667	118,231	117,476	116,753	117,045	
Primary metalsdo Fabricated metal productsdo	17,316 18,411	17,904 19,244	11,807 18,712	11,960 18,523	12,186 18,326	12,437 18,187	
Machinery, except electricaldo	26,882	28,261	27,381	27,169	r26,776 r19,173	26,773 19,059	
Electrical machinerydo Transportation equipmentdo	22,453 32,082	22,497 32,764	19,577 32,759	19,346 32,495	32,236	32,489 4,348	
Nondurable goods industries with unfilled ordersdo  CONSTRUCTION AND REAL ESTATE	5,047	4,956	3,835	3,920	r4,148	4,340	
NEW HOUSING UNITS STARTED:							
Unadjusted: Total (private and public)thous	149.5	127.2	98.4	r117.1	r110.2	120.0	
Privately owneddo One-family structuresdo	147.6 99.3	126.6 90.7	97.9 77.8	r116.1 r92.8	r109.6 r89.5	119.2 91.8	
Seasonally adjusted at annual rates: Total privately ownedthous.	1,533	1,314	980	r1,130	r1,088	1,238	
One-family structuresdo NEW PRIVATE HOUSING UNITS AUTHORIZED BY BUILDING	1,000	920	762	r887	r879	927	
PERMITS (14,000 permit-issuing places): Seasonally adjusted at annual rates:	1 116	1 040	077	012	~040	1 007	
Totaldo  One-family structuresdo  do	1,115 674	1,040 638	837 603	r912 r658	r949 r679	1,007 691	
New mortgage loans of all savings and loan associations, estimated totalmil. \$.  By purpose of loan:	4,244	3,810	4,173	5,370	r5,971	<u>p</u> /5,491	
Home constructiondo Home purchasedo	838 2,615	691 2,451	799 2,314	1,012 3,089	r989 r3,636	1,054 3,114	
All other purposesdo	791	668	1,060	1,269	r1,346	1,323	

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	June	July	Apr.	Мау	June	July	
LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT, AND EARNINGS							
Indexes of average hourly earnings, seasonally adjusted: Private nonfarm economy (prod. or nonsupervisory workers): Current dollars	158.2	158.7	168.8	r170.0	r171.7	p172.0	
	107.8	107.2	106.3	r106.8	r107.0	p106.0	
Current dollars, seasonally adjusted	154.51	155.24	160.20	160.92	162.00	p163.17	
	105.24	104.86	100.94	101.04	100.93	p100.51	
Current dollars, seasonally adjusted	134.41	134.98	138.80	145.79	146.63	p147.55	
	91.55	91.18	87.46	91.54	91.36	p90.88	
FOREIGN TRADE							
EXPORTS (MDSE.), INCL. REEXPORTS, TOTAL	8,384.7	7,694.6	9,074.4	8,952.8	8,691.0	8,265.4	
	8,327.7	7,654.8	9,012.7	8,901.8	8,630.7	8,236.0	
	8,316.9	8,306.9	8,569.6	8,145.1	8,691.5	8,884.6	
GENERAL IMPORTS, TOTALdo Seasonally adjusteddo	8,501.5	8,965.3	8,181.1	7,358.0	7,271.3	7,915.4	
	8,577.0	8,921.6	8,012.8	7,093.4	6,954.2	7,907.5	
METALS AND MANUFACTURES							
MACHINE TOOLS:  Metal cutting type tools: Orders, new (net), total	198.65	190.80	76.80	81.60	r82.45	p77.90	
	168.60	163.30	67.35	73.60	r60.10	p66.35	
	125.75	105.00	177.10	171.20	r179.70	p149.15	
	111.15	88.00	150.20	139.15	r154.10	p115.85	
	2,050.0	2,135.8	1,647.4	1,557.8	r1,460.6	p1,389.4	
Orders, new (net), total         do           Domestic         do           Shipments, total         do           Domestic         do           Order backlog, end of month         do	45.55	56.60	19.25	19.35	36.25	p18.25	
	37.85	48.90	14.20	12.50	27.35	p15.75	
	61.45	47.10	43.10	45.15	r39.90	p34.10	
	56.65	42.40	36.95	39.50	r34.85	p27.90	
	636.6	646.1	363.8	338.0	r334.4	p318.6	

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