

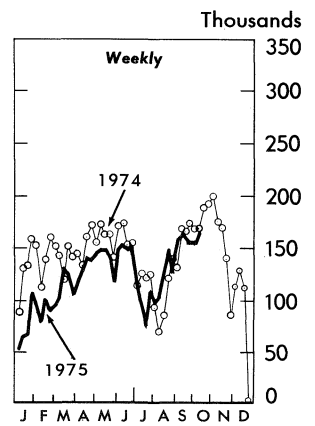
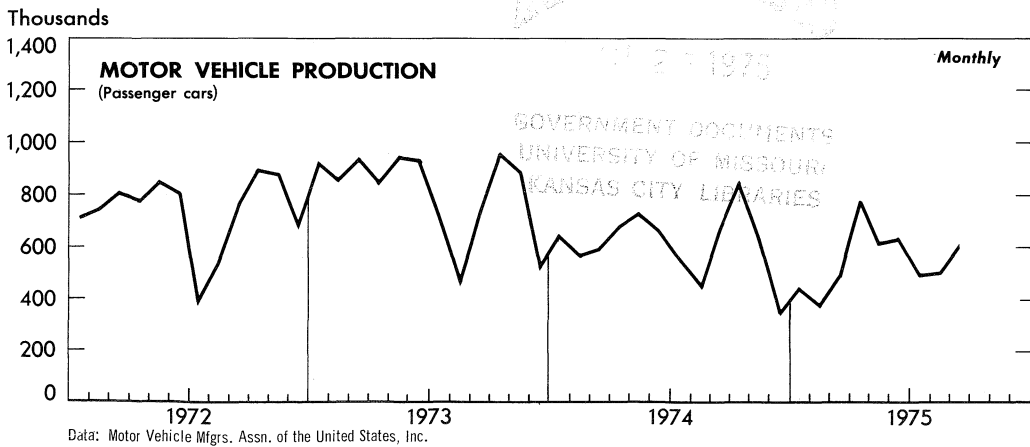
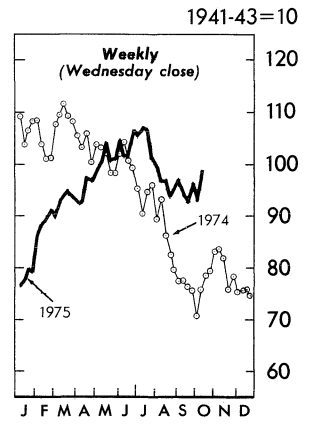
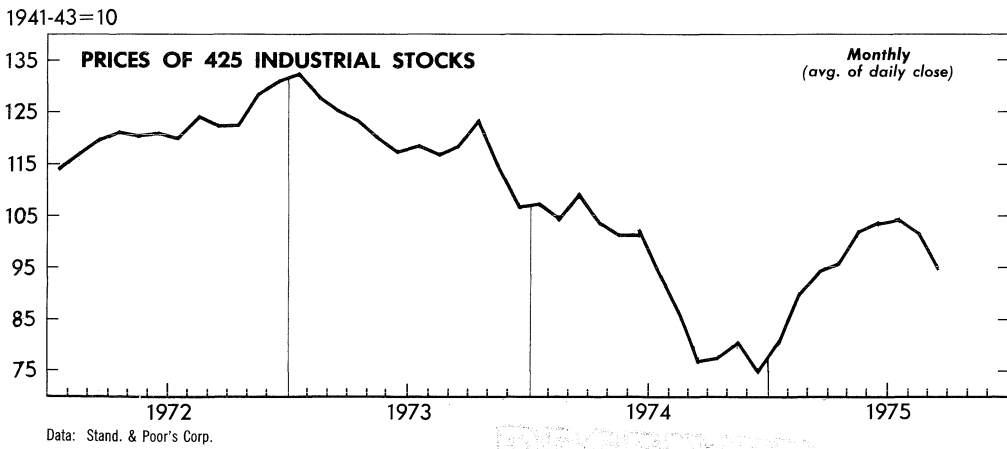
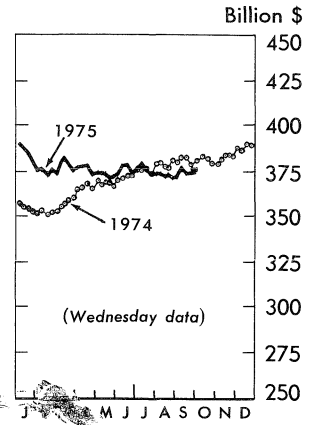
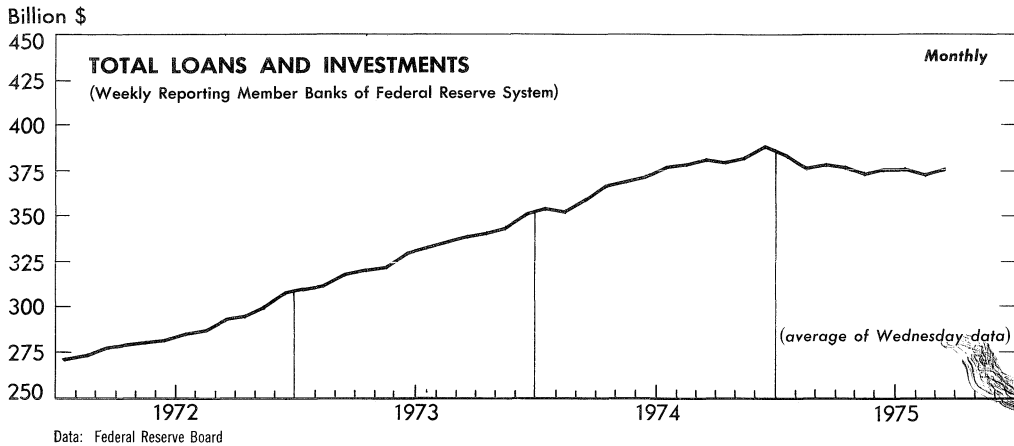


# BUSINESS STATISTICS



A WEEKLY SUPPLEMENT TO THE SURVEY OF CURRENT BUSINESS\*

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



WEEKLY BUSINESS STATISTICS<sup>1</sup>

ITEM	1974		1975			
	Oct. 5	Oct. 12	Sept. 20	Sept. 27	Oct. 4	Oct. 11
WHOLESALE PRICES, 22 COMMODITIES <u>2/</u> .....1967=100..	234.4	232.2	206.1	206.8	205.8	205.3
9 Foodstuffs.....do.....	272.8	273.3	242.6	246.1	244.9	240.6
13 Raw industrials.....do.....	211.0	207.4	184.0	183.2	182.3	183.9
ALL RETAIL STORES, SALES.....mil. \$..	10,925	10,416	11,477	11,332	11,965	.....
Nondurable goods stores.....do.....	7,502	7,302	7,715	7,598	8,032	.....
INITIAL UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIMS, State programs.....thous..	325	359	336	342	366	.....
INSURED UNEMPLOYMENT, all programs.....do.....	2,085	2,151	4,252	4,155	.....	.....
State programs (50 States, D.C., and Puerto Rico).....do....	1,792	1,857	3,036	2,994	.....	.....
FAILURES, INDUST. AND COMMERCIAL (Dun & Bradstreet)...number..	187	240	225	223	227	.....
FINANCE:						
Currency in circulation <u>3/</u> .....mil. \$..	74,839	75,327	82,150	81,682	81,397	81,853
Federal Reserve bank credit outstanding, total.....do....	92,695	91,006	93,294	96,884	99,547	96,752
Member bank reserve balances <u>3/</u> .....do....	37,533	36,601	34,580	34,631	35,454	34,371
Excess reserves, estimated <u>3/</u> .....do....	456	-55	-213	45	466	29
Assets and liabilities of large commercial banks: <u>4/</u>						
Demand deposits, adjusted.....do....	101,686	100,374	104,368	102,768	103,897	.....
Savings deposits.....do....	57,176	57,380	65,207	65,214	65,524	.....
Loans and investments, gross adjusted, total.....do....	379,712	383,674	376,848	373,843	376,991	.....
U.S. Government obligations.....do....	19,830	20,104	35,013	35,015	35,150	.....
Commercial and industrial loans (gross).....do....	128,507	128,524	119,160	119,006	119,576	.....
Real estate loans (gross).....do....	59,586	59,748	59,055	59,077	59,274	.....
Bond yields, domestic corporate (Moody's) <u>3/</u> .....percent..	9.81	9.84	9.56	9.55	9.56	9.55
Stock prices, 500 stocks (Stand. & Poor's) <u>4/</u> .....1941-43=10..	63.38	67.82	82.37	85.74	82.93	87.94
Industrial, 425 stocks.....do....	70.79	75.64	92.33	96.23	92.85	98.72
PRODUCTION:						
Bituminous coal.....thous. sh. tons..	12,845	13,420	14,135	13,560	13,620	.....
Electric power, by utilities.....mil. kw.-hr..	34,393	34,027	35,558	34,910	34,261	.....
Motor vehicles (passenger cars).....number..	166,871	167,603	162,310	154,966	156,878	164,651
Petroleum (crude) and condensate <u>3/</u> .....thous. bbl..	8,714	8,641	8,257	8,322	8,362	.....
Steel, raw.....thous. sh. tons..	2,820	2,829	2,245	2,160	2,085	2,138
Index of production.....1967=100..	115.6	116.0	92.0	88.5	85.5	87.6
RAIL FREIGHT, REVENUE TON-MILES.....bil..	17.2	17.2	15.6	15.8	16.5	.....

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

## MONTHLY BUSINESS STATISTICS

ITEM	1974		1975			
	Aug.	Sept.	June	July	Aug.	Sept.
CONSTRUCTION AND REAL ESTATE						
NEW CONSTRUCTION PUT IN PLACE (UNADJ.), TOTAL.....mil. \$..	12,557	12,162	r11,381	r11,249	11,758	.....
Private, total.....do....	8,869	8,562	r7,588	r7,823	7,990	.....
Residential (incl. farm).....do....	4,495	4,252	r3,722	r3,902	4,019	.....
New housing units.....do....	3,520	3,316	r2,656	r2,916	3,070	.....
Nonresidential buildings, total <u>1/</u> .....do....	2,580	2,562	r2,150	r2,164	2,153	.....
Industrial.....do....	678	641	r671	r668	649	.....
Commercial.....do....	1,400	1,420	r1,022	r1,034	1,043	.....
Public, total.....do....	3,688	3,600	r3,793	r3,426	3,768	.....
NEW CONSTRUCTION PUT IN PLACE (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED AT ANNUAL RATES), TOTAL.....bil. \$..	135.6	133.3	r125.9	r124.8	126.2	.....
Private, total.....do....	97.1	94.9	r84.0	r86.1	87.0	.....
Residential (incl. farm).....do....	47.7	45.9	r39.8	r41.0	42.0	.....
New housing units.....do....	37.4	35.6	r28.9	r30.6	32.0	.....
Nonresidential buildings, total <u>1/</u> .....do....	29.2	29.1	r24.8	r25.0	24.6	.....
Industrial.....do....	7.8	7.5	r7.7	r7.7	7.5	.....
Commercial.....do....	15.6	15.7	11.8	12.0	11.7	.....
Public, total.....do....	38.5	38.4	r41.9	r38.7	39.2,	.....
CONSTRUCTION COSTS INDEXES:						
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE COMPOSITE.....1967=100..	178.6	181.3	190.0	191.4	192.5	.....
DOMESTIC TRADE						
RETAIL TRADE, ALL RETAIL STORES:						
ESTIMATED SALES (UNADJUSTED), TOTAL <u>2/</u> .....mil. \$..	48,444	43,800	49,052	r50,026	r50,552	48,737
Durable goods stores.....do....	15,614	13,858	16,126	r16,374	r15,495	15,794
Automotive dealers.....do....	8,969	7,591	9,342	r9,611	r8,751	8,865
Furniture, home furn., and equip. stores.....do....	2,244	2,116	2,144	r2,167	r2,171	2,185
Building materials and hardware dealers.....do....	2,209	2,057	2,212	r2,244	2,206	.....
Nondurable goods stores.....do....	32,830	29,942	32,926	r33,652	r35,057	32,943
Apparel and accessory stores.....do....	2,125	1,997	2,072	r1,970	r2,253	2,210
Drug and proprietary stores.....do....	1,429	1,330	1,494	r1,473	r1,495	1,437
Eating and drinking places.....do....	3,942	3,583	4,207	r4,228	r4,365	3,927
Food stores.....do....	11,014	9,841	10,789	r11,433	r11,669	10,714
Gasoline service stations.....do....	3,738	3,426	3,750	r4,067	r4,142	3,845
General merchandise group with nonstores.....do....	7,625	7,034	7,502	r7,288	r8,001	7,695

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DOMESTIC TRADE--Con.						
RETAIL TRADE, ALL RETAIL STORES--Con.						
ESTIMATED SALES (SEAS. ADJ.), TOTAL 1/, 2/..... mil. \$..	r46,920	r45,858	.....	r49,655	r49,827	50,012
Durable goods stores 2/..... do....	r15,245	r14,100	.....	r15,432	r15,427	15,766
Automotive dealers 2/..... do....	r8,907	r7,874	.....	r8,850	8,813	9,009
Furniture, home furn., and equip. stores..... do....	2,212	2,198	2,168	r2,171	2,195	2,216
Building materials and hardware dealers..... do....	1,924	1,958	1,999	r1,993	1,994	.....
Nondurable goods stores..... do....	31,675	31,758	33,613	r34,223	r34,400	34,246
Apparel and accessory stores..... do....	2,129	2,122	2,223	r2,236	2,312	2,269
Drug and proprietary stores..... do....	1,408	1,415	1,532	r1,525	1,506	1,511
Eating and drinking places..... do....	3,498	3,530	3,984	r3,933	3,894	3,884
Food stores..... do....	10,261	10,363	11,023	r11,282	11,086	10,972
Gasoline service stations..... do....	3,480	3,503	3,616	r3,790	3,871	3,892
General merchandise group with nonstores..... do....	7,527	7,578	7,994	r7,903	8,108	8,092
RETAIL FIRMS WITH 11 OR MORE STORES:						
Estimated sales (unadjusted), total..... do....	14,896	13,499	14,687	r14,729	15,698	.....
Estimated sales (seasonally adjusted), total..... do....	14,374	14,524	15,325	r15,388	15,614	.....
LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT, AND EARNINGS						
LABOR FORCE, total, persons 16 years of age and over,						
not seasonally adjusted..... thous..	94,679	93,661	96,191	97,046	96,493	94,965
Civilian labor force..... do....	92,459	91,444	94,013	94,859	94,308	92,795
Employed, total..... do....	87,575	86,242	85,444	86,650	86,612	85,274
Agriculture..... do....	3,851	3,563	3,869	4,090	3,886	3,626
Nonagricultural industries..... do....	83,724	82,679	81,575	82,560	82,726	81,647
Unemployed..... do....	4,885	5,202	8,569	8,209	7,696	7,522
Civilian labor force, seasonally adjusted..... do....	91,199	91,705	92,340	92,916	93,146	93,191
Employed, total..... do....	86,274	86,402	84,444	85,078	85,352	85,418
Agriculture..... do....	3,451	3,489	3,304	3,450	3,468	3,546
Nonagricultural industries..... do....	82,823	82,913	81,140	81,628	81,884	81,872
Unemployed..... do....	4,925	5,303	7,896	7,838	7,794	7,773
Long-term, 15 weeks and over..... do....	940	989	2,887	2,998	2,842	2,856
Rates (unemployed in each group as percent of total in the group):						
All civilian workers.....	5.4	5.8	8.6	8.4	8.4	8.3
Men, 20 years and over.....	3.8	3.9	7.0	7.0	6.6	7.0
Women, 20 years and over.....	5.3	5.7	8.1	7.9	7.7	7.5
Both sexes, 16-19 years.....	15.3	16.7	19.2	19.1	21.1	19.3
White.....	4.9	5.3	7.9	7.9	7.6	7.6
Negro and other races.....	9.4	9.9	13.7	13.0	14.0	14.3
Married men, wife present.....	2.7	2.8	5.7	5.4	5.0	5.3
Occupation: White-collar workers.....	3.2	3.5	4.8	4.8	4.6	4.7
Blue-collar workers.....	6.6	7.0	12.6	12.1	11.5	11.5
Industry: Private nonfarm wage and salary workers.....	5.6	6.0	9.6	9.2	9.1	9.1
Construction.....	11.3	12.0	21.0	20.8	19.9	19.2
Manufacturing.....	5.5	6.0	12.0	11.1	10.5	10.6
Durable goods.....	4.9	5.3	12.9	11.5	11.3	11.3
LABOR TURNOVER IN MANUFACTURING ESTABLISHMENTS:						
Unadjusted for seasonal variation:						
Accession rate, total..... mo. rate per 100 employees..	5.5	4.9	4.5	4.5	p5.2	.....
New hires..... do....	4.2	3.9	2.5	2.6	p3.1	.....
Separation rate, total..... do....	r6.2	r5.4	3.6	4.4	p4.6	.....
Quit..... do....	4.0	3.2	1.3	1.5	p2.5	.....
Layoff..... do....	1.1	1.2	1.5	2.0	p1.3	.....
Seasonally adjusted:						
Accession rate, total..... do....	r4.3	r4.0	r3.5	4.2	p4.0	.....
New hires..... do....	r3.2	r3.0	r1.8	2.4	p2.4	.....
Separation rate, total..... do....	4.6	r4.4	r3.9	4.0	p3.6	.....
Quit..... do....	2.5	2.1	r1.3	1.5	p1.6	.....
Layoff..... do....	r1.3	r1.4	r2.1	1.5	p1.5	.....
FINANCE						
FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS, CONDITION, END OF MONTH:						
Assets, total..... mil. \$..	111,915	111,208	115,687	112,587	r113,672	p/120,683
Reserve bank credit outstanding, total..... do....	91,070	89,930	92,929	89,562	r90,516	95,541
Time loans..... do....	4,320	2,920	561	177	231	283
U.S. Government securities..... do....	81,131	81,035	84,749	81,883	82,546	86,998
Gold certificate account..... do....	11,460	11,460	11,620	11,620	11,598	11,599
Liabilities, total..... do....	111,915	111,208	115,687	112,587	r113,672	p/120,683
Deposits, total..... do....	34,576	33,616	32,823	29,470	r29,951	35,267
Member-bank reserve balances..... do....	30,247	29,266	25,976	25,740	r26,484	26,252
Federal Reserve notes in circulation..... do....	67,706	67,775	73,626	74,207	r74,653	74,599
Commercial bank credit (last Wednesday of month, except for June 30 and Dec. 31 call dates), seas. adj.:						
Total loans and investment 3/..... bil. \$..	693.9	689.9	698.8	702.1	706.1	707.4
Loans 3/..... do....	501.5	500.2	484.5	485.8	486.9	486.6
U.S. Government securities..... do....	55.3	52.3	73.0	74.0	76.3	77.9
Other securities..... do....	137.1	137.4	141.3	142.3	142.9	142.9

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ITEM	1974		1975			
	Aug.	Sept.	June	July	Aug.	Sept.
FINANCE--Con.						
SECURITY MARKETS:						
STOCKS:						
Prices:						
Dow-Jones average (65 stocks).....	223.13	199.29	259.00	260.30	246.22	246.02
Industrial (30 stocks).....	729.30	651.28	845.70	856.28	815.51	818.28
Public utility (15 stocks).....	66.23	60.80	83.87	82.68	77.92	77.32
Transportation (20 stocks).....	151.68	134.60	168.40	167.98	156.32	155.11
Standard & Poor's Corporation:						
Industrial, public utility, and railroad:						
Combined index (500 stocks).....1941-43=10..	76.03	68.12	92.40	92.49	87.51	84.67
Industrial, total (425 stocks).....do....	85.51	76.54	103.68	103.84	96.21	94.96
Capital goods (116 stocks).....do....	86.99	76.03	101.15	101.15	93.05	93.61
Consumers' goods (184 stocks).....do....	70.14	63.51	85.98	86.58	78.29	77.25
Public utility (55 stocks).....do....	34.00	30.93	43.67	43.67	40.61	40.53
Railroad (20 stocks).....do....	35.06	31.55	38.94	38.04	35.13	34.93
Banks:						
New York City (9 stocks).....do....	46.27	42.00	57.77	58.13	51.33	46.72
Outside New York City (16 stocks).....do....	65.97	58.99	87.19	90.44	83.01	78.64
Property liability insurance (16 stocks).....do....	64.31	60.47	96.72	95.98	85.19	79.71
New York Stock Exchange common stock indexes:						
Composite.....12/31/65=50..	39.86	35.69	49.22	49.54	45.71	44.97
Industrial.....do....	44.19	39.29	54.61	54.96	50.71	50.05
Transportation.....do....	29.41	25.86	32.38	32.90	30.08	29.46
Utility.....do....	26.72	24.94	32.79	32.98	31.02	30.65
Finance.....do....	40.11	36.42	52.20	52.51	46.55	43.38
TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT						
Retail sales, new passenger cars:						
Total, not seasonally adjusted.....thous..	811	726	770	794	684	p726
Domestics.....do....	668	591	619	637	534	p591
Imports.....do....	143	134	152	157	150	136
Total, seasonally adjusted at annual rates.....mil..	11.0	10.1	8.5	9.2	9.2	p8.9
Domestics.....do....	9.5	8.4	6.9	7.5	7.5	p7.2
Imports.....do....	1.5	1.8	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7
Retail inventories, new cars (domestics), end of month:						
Not seasonally adjusted.....thous..	1,294	1,385	1,602	1,466	1,436	1,513
Seasonally adjusted.....do....	1,388	1,385	1,381	1,392	1,495	1,540
Inventory-sales ratio, new cars (domestics).....ratio..	1.8	2.0	2.4	2.2	2.4	2.6

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