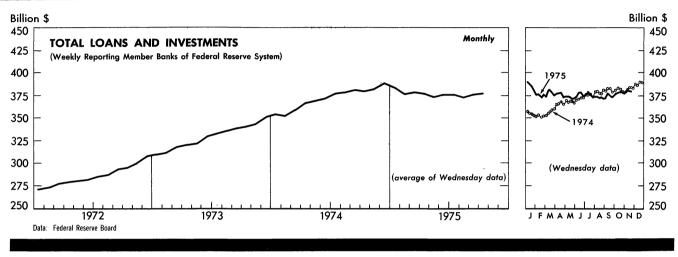


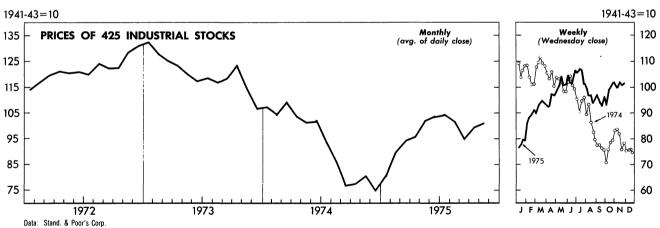


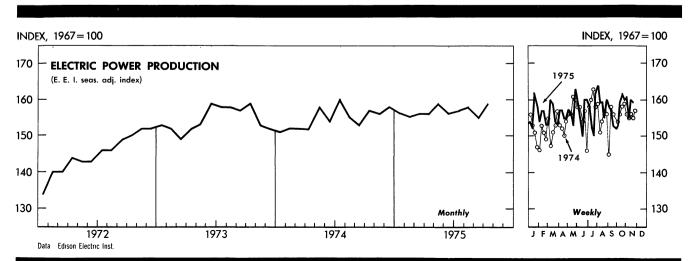
A WEEKLY
SUPPLEMENT
TO THE

SURVEY OF CURRENT BUSINESS*

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







ITEM	1974		1975				
	Nov. 23	Nov. 30	Nov. 8	Nov. 15	Nov. 22	Nov. 29	
HOLESALE PRICES, 22 COMMODITIES 2/	225.1 277.9 194.4	223.3 277.8 191.9	193.2 216.4 178.5	192.9 212.7 180.2	189.7 205.9 179.1	190.8 205.3 181.4	
LL RETAIL STORES, SALES	10,950 7,800	11,016 7,828	11,709 8,186	11,793 8,238	12,012 8,441		
NITIAL UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIMS, State programsthous NSURED UNEMPLOYMENT, all programsdo State programs (50 States, D.C., and Puerto Rico)do AILURES, INDUST. AND COMMERCIAL (Dun & Bradstreet)number	532 2,742 2,437 188	524 3,327 2,994 134	414 3,963 2,896 192	372 4,209 3,096 182	418 210	154	
CINANCE: Currency in circulation 3/	77,209 91,667 36,812 27 102,338 57,704 381,977 22,788 128,888 59,961 9.56	77,328 92,159 37,769 310 100,675 57,809 382,367 21,951 129,845 60,026 9,54	82,445 99,311 34,943 803 104,493 66,044 380,775 36,825 118,643 59,485 9,43	83,514 94,750 33,790 12 104,064 66,567 379,583 36,409 118,886 59,508	84,031 97,274 34,751 185 103,584 66,984 378,184 37,247 118,440 59,560	84,175 99,338 34,712 200	
Stock prices, 500 stocks (Stand. & Poor's) 4/1941-43=10 Industrial, 425 stocks	67.90 75.77 4,758 35,040 139,573 8,668	69.94 78.12 4,200 34,564 85,560 8,662	89.15 99.86 13,775 34,449 163,965 8,300	91.19 102.20 13,305 35,903 171,628 8,236	89.98 100.73 13,710 36,231 175,202	90.94 101.85	
Steel, raw	2,642 108.3	2,563 105.1	2,038 83.5	2,067 84.7	2,088 85.6	1,985 81.4	
AIL FREIGHT, REVENUE TON-MILESbil	15.3	12.8	15.9	15.6	15.5		

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

MONTHLY BUSINESS STATISTICS

ІТЕМ	1974		1975				
	Sept.	Oct.	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	
CONSTRUCTION AND REAL ESTATE	-						
NEW HOUSING UNITS STARTED: Unadjusted: Total (private and public)thous	99.6	97.2	120.1	r118.7	r112.5	125.8	
Privately owneddo	98.3	96.7	119.3	r117.3	rll1.6	124.4	
One-family structuresdo Seasonally adjusted at annual rates:	73.4	69.5	92.8	r90.7	r84.3	93.9	
Total privately owneddodo One-family structuresdo NEW PRIVATE HOUSING UNITS AUTHORIZED BY BUILDING PERMITS (14,000 permit-issuing places): Seasonally adjusted at annual rates:	1,157 845	1,106 792	1,235 935	r1,269 r987	r1,268 r929	1,458 1,103	
Total	853 588	811 550	1,042 711	995 732	r1,095 r779	1,092 775	
Unadjusteddo Seasonally adjusted at annual ratesdo	24.1 258	20.7 227	20.0 225	21.2 235	20.4 215	••••	
LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT, AND EARNINGS							
Indexes of average hourly earnings, seasonally adjusted: Private nonfarm economy (prod. or nonsupervisory workers):			177 1	174.6	175 1	-176 0	
Current dollars	162.0 107.0	163.3 106.8	173.1 106.6	r174.6 r107.4	r175.1 r107.2	p176.8 p107.5	
Current dollars, seasonally adjusted	157.32 103.85	158.41 103.64	163.44 100.67	r165.43 r101.73	r166.06 r101.65	p167.24 p101.70	
Current dollars, seasonally adjusted	136.58 90.16	137.42 89.91	147.76 91.01	r149.31 r91.82	r149.81 r91.70	p150.73 p91.66	
HELP-WANTED ADVERTISING, SEAS. ADJUSTED INDEX1967=100	107	99	84	83	83	p83	

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r/ Revised. p/ Preliminary.
CORRECTION: Oct. 1975 meats, poultry, and fish shown in the Nov. 28 issue of the WEEKLY SUPPLEMENT and the Nov. SURVEY, page S-8, should read 192.9 instead of 191.4.
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ITEM	1974		1975				
	Sept.	Oct.	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	
LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT, AND EARNINGSCon.							
ORK STOPPAGES:							
Number of stoppages: Beginning in monthnumber	514	513	626	455	363	449	
In effect during monthdo Workers involved:	910	911	1,039	913	667	688	
Beginning in monththous In effect during monthdo	187 395	146 269	292 565	183 415	154 310	141 200	
Man-days idle during monthdo	3,028	2,854	5,799	4,416	3,947	2,763	
FINANCE							
ank debits to demand deposit accounts, except interbank and U.S. Govt. accounts, annual rates, seas. adj.:							
Total (233 SMSA's)bil. \$ New York SMSAdo	22,017.5 9, 970.8	22,348.8 10,271.1	22,830.2 10,709.5	r23,269.4 10,628.8	r23,181.9 10,585.0	24,137.7 11,801.5	
Total 232 SMSA's (except N.Y.)do	12,046.7	12,077.6	12,120.7	r12,640.5	r12,596.9	12,336.2	
6 other leading SMSA'sdododo	5,092.1 6,954.7	5,084.7 6,993.0	4,841.1 7,279.5	5,125.1 r7,515.4	r5,153.0 r7,443.8	4,921.3 7,414.9	
EDERAL RESERVE BANKS, CONDITION, END OF MONTH:							
Assets, totalmil. \$ Reserve bank credit outstanding, totaldo	111,208 89,930	110,632 87,037	112,587 89,562	113,672 90,516	r120,344 r95,208	p120,056 95,885	
Time loansdo U.S. Government securitiesdo	2,920 81,035	1,122 79,351	177 81,883	231 82,546	283 86,998	73 87,184	
Gold certificate accountdo	11,460	11,460	11,620	11,598	11,599	11,599	
Liabilities, totaldo Deposits, totaldodo	111,208 33,616	110,632 31,916	112,587 29,470	113,672 29,951	r120,344 r34,928	p120,056 35,762	
Member-bank reserve balancesdo Federal Reserve notes in circulationdo	29,266	29,895	25,740	26,484	r25,913 74,599	26,352 74,891	
ommercial bank credit (last Wednesday of month, except for June 30 and Dec. 31 call dates),	67,775	68,520	74,207	74,653	/4,399	74,031	
seas. adj.: Total loans and investment $\underline{1}/\dots$ bil. \$	689.9	690.8	702.1	706.1	707.4	715.0	
Loans 1/do U.S. Government securitiesdo	500.2 52.3	502.0 49.8	485.8 74.0	486.9 76.3	486.6 77.9	494.1 75.1	
Other securitiesdo	137.4	139.0	142.3	142.9	142.9	145.8	
ONEY SUPPLY AND RELATED DATA (avg. of daily figures): Unadjusted for seasonal variation:							
Total money supplybil. \$ Currency outside banksdodo	278.9 65.8	281.2 66.4	293.1 71.9	290.9 72.2	292.8 71.9	p293.5 72.5	
Demand depositsdo	213.1	214.7	221.1	218.7	220.9	221.0	
Time deposits adjusteddodo U.S. Government demand depositsdo	410.1 5.5	413.3	438.3	440.2 2.6	442.6 3.8	446.7	
Adjusted for seasonal variation: Total money supplydo	280.7	281.6	293.5	294.2	294.7	p294.0	
Currency outside banksdo	65.9	66.5	71.4 222.1	71.9 222.3	72.0 222.7	72.6 221.5	
Demand depositsdo Time deposits adjusteddo	214.8 407.5	215.2 412.1	439.1	437.4	440.7	445.7	
rnover of demand deposits except interbank and U.S. Govt., annual rates, seasonally adjusted:							
Total (233 SMSA's)ratio of debits to deposits New York SMSAdo	125.1 310.5	127.0 316.8	126.4 331.0	130.4 335.0	r128.8 330.7	134.0 364.0	
Total 232 SMSA's (except N.Y.)do	83.8	84.1	81.7	86.2	r85.1	83.5	
6 other leading SMSA's	127.5 66.9	127.3 67.5	116.4 68.2	124.4 71.2	r123.8 70.0	118.7	
FOREIGN TRADE							
(PORTS (MDSE.), INCL REEXPORTS, TOTAL	7,671.8	8,993.9	8,265.4	8,480.6	8,424.4 8,398.8	9,749.7 9,718.1	
Excl. Department of Defense Shipmentsdo Seasonally adjusteddo	7,610.6 8,399.3	8,926.0 8,672.8	8,236.0 8,884.6	8,470.8 8,996.2	9,165.0	9,718.1	
By commodity groups and principal commodities: Food and live animalsdo	1,002.6	1,170.6	1,114.7	1,182.6	1,244.3	1,475.6	
Beverages and tobaccodo	83.7	124.1	71.5 757.6	104.7 775.5	105.7 693.5	128.6 876.2	
Crude materials, inedible, exc. fuelsdodo	647.3 332.8	787.3 450.3	310.3	404.1	328.4	318.5	
Animal and vegetable oils, fats, waxesdo Chemicalsdo	86.9 724.9	112.2 727.5	66.3 704.6	43.9 711.1	43.5 682.2	730.2	
Manufactured goodsdo	885.2	1,017.9	862.3	875.2	880.1	980.4	
Machinery and transport equipment, totaldodo	3,139.5 597.7	3,768.4 669.4	3,577.9 596.6	3,550.7 623.8	3,618.9 599.2	4,257.8 706.4	
Transport equipment, totaldo Miscellaneous manufactured articlesdo	1,183.0 439.9	1,495.9 473.3	1,290.5 454.6	1,246.1 460.8	1,416.0 460.0	1,669.8	
Commodities not classifieddo	224.6	216.0	239.1	278.4	246.0	278.2	
NERAL IMPORTS, TOTALdodo	8,360.7	9,094.3	7,915.4	7,513.6 7,961.0	8,161.6 8,188.6	8,511.9 8,212.2	
Seasonally adjusteddo By commodity groups and principal commodities:	8,696.4	8,773.2	7,907.5		1		
Food and live animalsdo Beverages and tobaccodo	647.8 111.7	656.6 113.3	705.8 103.4	635.8 95.8	896.9 106.9	759.9 128.0	
Crude materials, inedible, exc. fuelsdo	508.0	514.3	506.4	420.9	476.4	457.7	
Mineral fuels, lubricants, etcdodo	2,128.9 54.2	2,278.1 79.5	2,132.0	2,240.4 32.7	2,446.1 41.6	2,345.5 48.8	
Chemicalsdo Manufactured goodsdo	387.5 1,549.8	431.8 1,839.9	247.4 1,136.6	270.6 1,005.3	275.1 1,091.8	302.4	
Machinery and transport equipmentdo	1,934.9	2,061.6	1,964.4	1,822.0	1,793.3	2,138.6	
Miscellaneous manufactured articlesdol Commodities not classifieddo	836.3 201.5	904.0 215.3	850.9 223.8	800.6 189.7	815.7 217.9	919.7 217.4	

ITEM	1974		1975				
	Sept.	Oct.	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	
METALS AND MANUFACTURES							
ACHINE TOOLS:		!					
Metal cutting type tools:						i	
Orders, new (net), total mil. \$	144.10	127.75	76.95	72.80	r91.60	p90.55	
Domesticdo	118.20	99.55	65.30	58.85	r85.45	p78.55	
Shipments, totaldo	151.35	129.05	149.05	121.85	r170.00	p160.35	
Domesticdo	127.55	108.45	116.80	101.95	r143.10	p131.15	
Order backlog, end of monthdo	2,169.4	2,168.1	1,388.5	1,339.4	r1,261.0	p1,191.2	
Metal forming type tools:							
Orders, new (net), totaldo	49.60	42.65	17.45	29.95	r19.70	p30.25	
Domesticdo	44.45	33.50	15.00	24.60	r17.35	p27.00	
Shipments, totaldo	45.10	62.80	33.35	51.80	r40.75	p47.85	
Domesticdo	40.30	57.05	27.65	43.20	r34.45	p43.40	
Order backlog, end of monthdo LECTRICAL EQUIPMENT:	642.9	622.8	318.5	296.6	r275.6	p258.0	
Household electrical appliances, factory sales 1/thous	2,577	r2,567	2,270	2,106	2,243	2,246	
Air conditioners (room)do	134.4	140.4	147.0	71 <i>.</i> 6	27.4	101.0	
Dishwashersdo	298.4	302.3	195.4	227.1	253.1	318.1	
Disposers (food waste)do	206.2	r204.3	191.3	178.7	206.5	214.6	
Rangesdo	231.1	r233.0	176.6	178.6	187.2	198.3	
Refrigeratorsdo	542.8	524.5	516.3	417.6	464.8	456.6	
Freezersdo	304.1	339.1	276.4	272.4	242.9	184.8	
Washersdo	475.2	r443.3	403.4	424.3	480.5	429.1	
Dryers (incl. gas)do	350.8	352.8	250.9	288.1	345.8	315.5	
TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT							
egistrations(new vehicles): 2/]	1		l	
Passenger carsthous	709.1	741.0	764.9	735.8	738.9		
Imports, incl. domestically sponsoreddo	124.9	130.9	144.7	150.4	143.6		
Trucksdo	216.8	196.2	222.2	214.9	219.5		
AILROAD EQUIPMENT:							
Freight cars (all railroads and private car lines):				1	Į.	1	
Shipmentsnumber	6,080	6,036	5,116	4,782	5,521	6,657	
Equipment manufacturersdo	5,788	5,750	4,545	4,074	4,854	5,853	
New ordersdo		4,951	2,498	*2,220		7,405	
Equipment manufacturersdo	7,365	4,201	1,373	2,520	815	7,005	
Unfilled orders, end of monthdo	95,030	93,563	58,239	54,662	49,612	48,540	
Equipment manufacturersdo	83,127	81,196	48,477	45,908	41,525	40,857	

 \underline{r} / Revised. \underline{p} / Preliminary. $\underline{1}$ / Includes data not shown separately. $\underline{2}$ / Data exclude figures for one State. *Reflects cancellation of previously placed orders.

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