



# BUSINESS STATISTICS

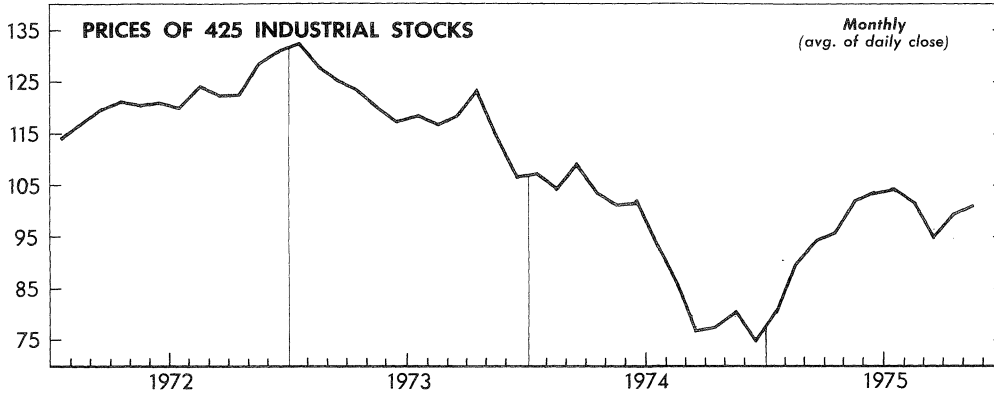


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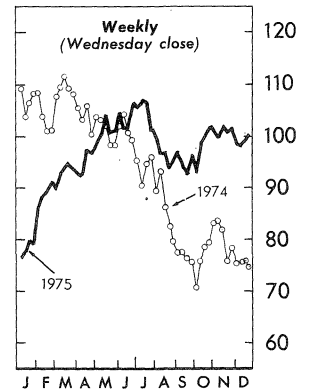
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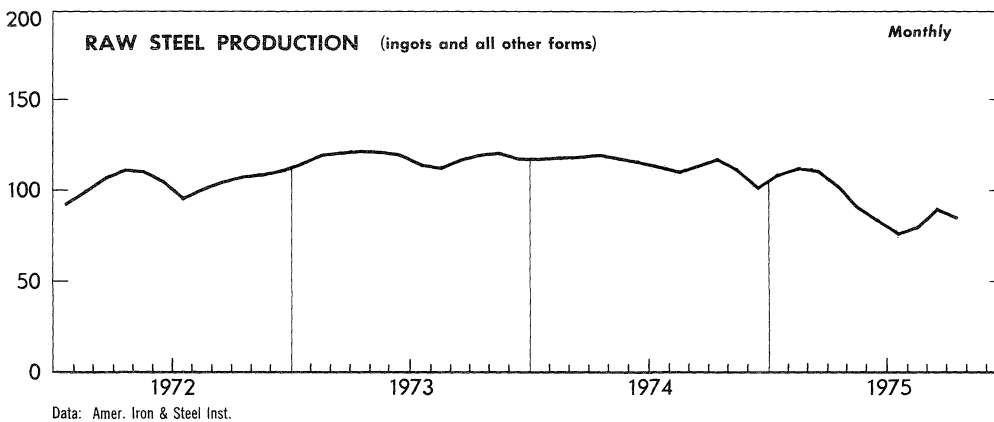
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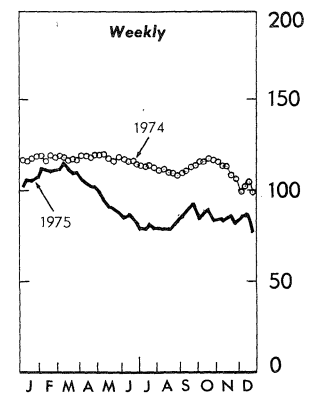
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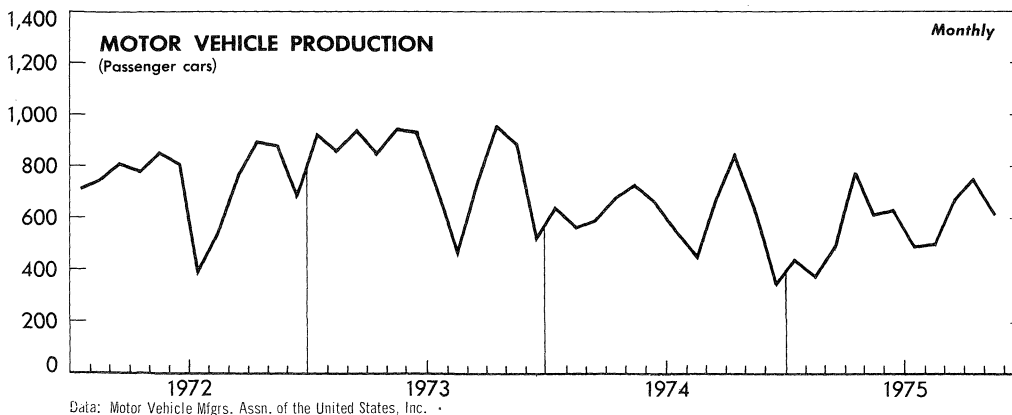
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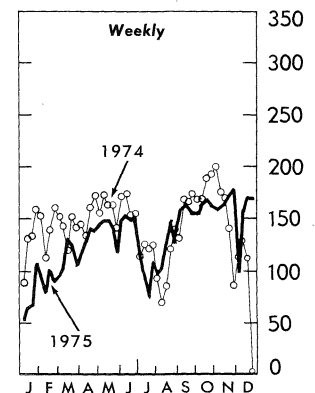
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ITEM	1974		1975			
	Dec. 21	Dec. 28	Dec. 6	Dec. 13	Dec. 20	Dec. 27
WHOLESALE PRICES, 22 COMMODITIES <sup>2/</sup> .....1967=100..	210.5	209.8	189.6	189.9	189.7	190.8
9 Foodstuffs.....do.....	262.4	263.0	203.1	204.6	202.8	205.6
13 Raw industrials.....do.....	180.6	179.2	180.7	180.2	181.0	181.0
ALL RETAIL STORES, SALES.....mil. \$..	10,009	11,310	13,144	13,850	.....	.....
Nondurable goods stores.....do.....	7,066	7,292	9,602	10,013	.....	.....
INITIAL UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIMS, State programs.....thous..	678	813	488	456	.....	.....
INSURED UNEMPLOYMENT, all programs.....do.....	3,662	4,319	4,344	.....	.....	.....
State programs (50 States, D.C., and Puerto Rico)....do....	3,322	3,951	3,279	.....	.....	.....
FAILURES, INDUST. AND COMMERCIAL (Dun & Bradstreet)..number..	153	77	200	214	203	103
FINANCE:						
Currency in circulation <sup>3/</sup> .....mil. \$..	78,926	79,336	84,777	85,283	85,734	.....
Federal Reserve bank credit outstanding, total <sup>3/</sup> ....do....	92,859	95,121	98,820	96,181	97,581	.....
Member bank reserve balances <sup>3/</sup> .....do.....	36,762	36,824	34,860	34,430	35,132	.....
Excess reserves, estimated <sup>3/</sup> .....do.....	217	397	329	166	237	.....
Assets and liabilities of large commercial banks: <sup>4/</sup>						
Demand deposits, adjusted.....do.....	105,359	103,350	104,320	107,532	.....	.....
Savings deposits.....do.....	57,916	57,947	67,552	67,781	.....	.....
Loans and investments, gross adjusted, total.....do....	390,024	388,811	380,373	381,146	.....	.....
U.S. Government obligations.....do.....	24,059	23,863	37,859	38,378	.....	.....
Commercial and industrial loans (gross).....do....	130,805	130,880	119,311	119,511	.....	.....
Real estate loans (gross).....do.....	60,183	60,224	59,482	59,526	.....	.....
Bond yields, domestic corporate (Moody's) <sup>3/</sup> .....percent..	9.54	9.59	9.47	9.49	9.46	9.42
Stock prices, 500 stocks (Stand. & Poor's) <sup>4/</sup> ..1941-43=10..	67.90	66.88	87.60	88.08	89.15	89.46
Industrial, 425 stocks.....do.....	75.77	74.61	98.04	98.68	99.88	100.18
PRODUCTION:						
Bituminous coal.....thous. sh. tons..	10,811	8,880	13,135	13,645	13,010	.....
Electric power, by utilities.....mil. kw.-hr..	37,146	33,096	37,130	38,240	39,554	.....
Motor vehicles (passenger cars).....number..	112,479	21	160,063	170,005	169,327	.....
Petroleum (crude) and condensate <sup>3/</sup> .....thous. bbl..	8,664	8,700	8,218	8,201	.....	.....
Steel, raw.....thous. sh. tons..	2,542	2,427	2,086	2,105	2,069	1,896
Index of production.....1967=100..	104.2	99.5	85.5	86.3	84.8	77.7
RAIL FREIGHT, REVENUE TON-MILES.....bil..	14.9	10.6	14.7	15.2	14.1	.....

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

## MONTHLY BUSINESS STATISTICS

ITEM	1974		1975			
	Oct.	Nov.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov. <sup>p/</sup>
CONSTRUCTION AND REAL ESTATE						
CONSTRUCTION COST INDEXES:						
American Appraisal Co., The:						
Average, 30 cities.....1913=100..	1,648	1,640	1,743	1,763	1,762	.....
Atlanta.....do.....	1,814	1,800	1,902	1,905	1,902	.....
New York.....do.....	1,751	1,746	1,873	1,872	1,871	.....
San Francisco.....do.....	1,578	1,614	1,743	1,736	1,734	.....
St. Louis.....do.....	1,584	1,574	1,701	1,700	1,699	.....
LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT AND EARNINGS						
AGGREGATE HOURS of wage and salary workers, nonagric.						
estab., for 1 week in the month, seas.adj.at annual rate						
bil. man-hours..						
Total private sector.....do.....	152.62	149.99	146.81	r147.26	r148.23	148.32
Mining.....do.....	1.64	1.36	1.63	r1.65	r1.72	1.74
Contract construction.....do.....	7.47	7.36	6.52	r6.55	r6.48	6.52
Manufacturing.....do.....	41.36	40.34	37.70	r38.06	r38.18	38.22
Transportation, communic., elec., gas, etc.....do....	9.77	9.69	9.17	r9.18	r9.18	9.22
Wholesale and retail trade.....do.....	30.29	30.17	29.94	r29.91	r30.03	30.03
Finance, insurance, and real estate.....do.....	8.05	8.09	7.96	8.00	8.04	8.14
Services.....do.....	24.25	24.29	24.69	r24.66	r24.87	25.00
Government.....do.....	29.78	28.68	29.20	r29.26	r29.73	29.44
Indexes of aggregate weekly hours, seasonally adjusted:						
Private nonagric. payrolls, total.....1967=100..						
Goods-producing.....do.....	112.9	111.3	107.6	r108.1	r108.6	108.9
Mining.....do.....	102.7	99.2	91.2	r92.4	92.8	93.0
Contract construction.....do.....	119.9	99.7	118.6	r119.9	r124.7	126.9
Manufacturing.....do.....	114.9	112.9	98.3	r98.6	r97.4	98.0
Durable goods.....do.....	100.0	96.8	89.0	90.3	r90.9	90.9
Service-producing.....do.....	101.7	98.3	86.7	r87.7	r88.0	88.1
Transportation, comm., elec., gas.....do.....	120.0	119.6	119.0	r119.0	r119.5	119.9
Wholesale and retail trade.....do.....	107.7	106.8	100.5	r101.1	r100.7	101.0
Retail trade.....do.....	116.3	115.7	115.2	r115.2	r115.6	115.5
Finance, insurance, and real estate.....do.....	117.0	116.4	116.8	r116.7	r116.9	117.0
Services.....do.....	125.0	125.1	122.9	r123.5	r123.8	125.6
Services.....do.....	129.1	129.3	131.4	r131.1	r132.3	132.9

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ITEM	1974		1975			
	Oct.	Nov.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.
LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT, AND EARNINGS --Con.						
LABOR TURNOVER IN MANUFACTURING ESTABLISHMENTS:						
Unadjusted for seasonal variation:						
Accession rate, total.....mo. rate per 100 employees..	3.8	2.4	5.1	4.6	3.7	p2.7
New hires.....do.....	2.9	1.7	3.1	3.0	r2.4	p1.7
Separation rate, total.....do.....	5.0	5.0	4.6	4.3	4.0	p3.5
Quit.....do.....	2.2	1.4	2.4	2.0	1.6	p1.2
Layoff.....do.....	1.8	2.8	1.3	1.4	1.6	p1.7
Seasonally adjusted:						
Accession rate, total.....do.....	3.7	3.1	4.0	3.7	3.6	p3.6
New hires.....do.....	2.7	2.2	2.4	2.3	r2.2	p2.3
Separation rate, total.....do.....	4.8	5.6	3.6	3.5	3.7	p4.0
Quit.....do.....	2.0	1.8	1.5	1.3	1.5	p1.6
Layoff.....do.....	2.0	2.5	1.5	1.7	1.7	p1.6
FINANCE						
FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS, CONDITION, END OF MONTH:						
Assets, total.....mil. \$..	110,632	113,134	113,672	120,344	p120,056	p118,325
Reserve bank credit outstanding, total.....do.....	87,037	90,110	90,516	95,208	95,885	76,578
Time loans.....do.....	1,122	1,225	231	283	73	46
U.S. Government securities.....do.....	79,351	80,998	82,546	86,998	87,184	85,137
Gold certificate account.....do.....	11,460	11,460	11,598	11,599	11,599	11,599
Liabilities, total.....do.....	110,632	113,134	113,672	120,344	p120,056	p118,325
Deposits, total.....do.....	31,916	32,780	29,951	34,928	35,762	32,018
Member-bank reserve balances.....do.....	29,895	29,860	26,484	25,913	26,352	25,864
Federal Reserve notes in circulation.....do.....	68,520	70,137	74,653	74,599	74,891	76,683
LIFE INSURANCE:						
INSTITUTE OF LIFE INSURANCE:						
ASSETS, TOTAL, ALL U.S. COMPANIES.....bil. \$..	261.18	262.25	280.48	281.85	284.85	.....
Government securities.....do.....	11.80	11.87	13.02	13.15	13.79	.....
Corporate securities.....do.....	119.22	119.25	130.66	131.52	133.24	.....
Mortgage loans, total.....do.....	85.02	85.48	88.33	88.44	88.66	.....
Nonfarm.....do.....	78.74	79.19	81.71	81.80	81.98	.....
Real estate.....do.....	8.14	8.21	9.11	9.01	9.36	.....
Policy loans and premium notes.....do.....	22.47	22.68	23.92	24.05	24.17	.....
Cash.....do.....	1.44	1.38	1.46	1.49	1.46	.....
Other assets.....do.....	13.09	13.39	13.99	13.98	14.16	.....
MONEY SUPPLY AND RELATED DATA (avg. of daily figures):						
Unadjusted for seasonal variation:						
Total money supply.....bil. \$..	281.2	285.1	290.9	292.8	r293.6	298.7
Currency outside banks.....do.....	66.4	67.9	72.2	71.9	72.5	73.9
Demand deposits.....do.....	214.7	217.3	218.7	220.9	r221.1	224.9
Time deposits adjusted.....do.....	413.3	411.7	440.2	442.6	r446.8	447.7
U.S. Government demand deposits.....do.....	3.7	3.4	2.6	3.8	3.3	3.5
Adjusted for seasonal variation:						
Total money supply.....do.....	281.6	283.6	294.2	294.7	r294.1	297.1
Currency outside banks.....do.....	66.5	67.4	71.9	72.0	r72.5	73.3
Demand deposits.....do.....	215.2	216.2	222.3	222.7	221.5	223.7
Time deposits adjusted.....do.....	412.1	413.5	437.4	440.7	r445.9	450.0
FOREIGN TRADE						
EXPORTS (MDSE.), INCL. REEXPORTS, TOTAL.....mil. \$..						
Excl. Department of Defense Shipments.....do.....	8,993.9	9,396.8	8,480.6	8,424.4	9,749.7	9,526.7
Seasonally adjusted.....do.....	8,926.0	9,342.6	8,470.8	8,398.8	9,718.1	9,513.7
Seasonally adjusted.....do.....	8,672.8	8,972.9	8,996.2	9,165.0	9,288.1	9,409.3
By commodity groups and principal commodities:						
Food and live animals.....do.....	1,170.6	1,444.1	1,182.6	1,244.3	1,475.6	1,526.8
Beverages and tobacco.....do.....	124.1	141.1	104.7	105.7	128.6	150.8
Crude materials, inedible, exc. fuels.....do.....	787.3	1,084.7	775.5	693.5	876.2	859.5
Mineral fuels, lubricants, etc.....do.....	450.3	464.4	404.1	328.4	318.5	457.9
Animal and vegetable oils, fats, waxes.....do.....	112.2	118.5	43.9	43.5	56.9	77.7
Chemicals.....do.....	727.5	729.3	711.1	682.2	730.2	661.6
Manufactured goods.....do.....	1,017.9	935.7	875.2	880.1	980.4	914.3
Machinery and transport equipment, total.....do.....	3,768.4	3,652.4	3,550.7	3,618.9	4,257.8	3,946.7
Electrical.....do.....	669.4	635.4	623.8	599.2	706.4	664.2
Transport equipment, total.....do.....	1,495.9	1,413.9	1,246.1	1,416.0	1,669.8	1,532.8
Miscellaneous manufactured articles.....do.....	473.3	467.9	460.8	460.0	530.9	471.8
Commodities not classified.....do.....	216.0	239.6	278.4	246.0	278.2	353.3
GENERAL IMPORTS, TOTAL.....do.....						
Seasonally adjusted.....do.....	9,094.3	8,885.4	7,513.6	8,161.6	8,511.9	7,910.7
Seasonally adjusted.....do.....	8,773.2	8,973.3	7,961.0	8,188.6	8,212.2	8,299.1
By commodity groups and principal commodities:						
Food and live animals.....do.....	656.6	789.2	635.8	896.9	759.9	725.1
Beverages and tobacco.....do.....	113.3	102.7	95.8	106.9	128.0	120.4
Crude materials, inedible, exc. fuels.....do.....	514.3	475.0	420.9	476.4	457.7	415.3
Mineral fuels, lubricants, etc.....do.....	2,278.1	2,214.7	2,240.4	2,446.1	2,345.5	2,089.4
Animal and vegetable oils and fats.....do.....	79.5	49.9	32.7	41.6	48.8	66.2
Chemicals.....do.....	431.8	397.1	270.6	275.1	302.4	298.5
Manufactured goods.....do.....	1,839.9	1,767.7	1,005.3	1,091.8	1,194.0	1,121.2
Machinery and transport equipment.....do.....	2,061.6	2,037.0	1,822.0	1,793.3	2,138.6	2,018.6
Miscellaneous manufactured articles.....do.....	904.0	824.0	800.6	815.7	919.7	844.1
Commodities not classified.....do.....	215.3	228.2	189.7	217.9	217.4	211.9

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ITEM	1974		1975			
	Oct.	Nov.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.
TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATION						
Hotels and motor-hotels:						
Restaurant sales index.....same month 1967=100..	126	115	121	115	131	.....
Hotels: Average room sale.....dollars..	r26.89	25.88	26.89	27.01	29.55	.....
Rooms occupied.....percent of total..	r71	62	60	58	70	.....
Motor-hotels: Average room sale.....dollars..	r19.95	19.83	21.77	20.72	21.31	.....
Rooms occupied.....percent of total..	r71	60	76	65	69	.....
METALS AND MANUFACTURES						
Industrial trucks (electric), shipments:						
Hand (motorized).....number..	2,190	1,955	825	1,067	1,079	.....
Rider-type.....do....	2,685	2,482	1,029	1,249	1,344	.....
Ind. trucks, tractors (combustion engines), shipments.....do....	5,368	4,247	2,479	2,557	3,033	.....
MACHINE TOOLS:						
Metal cutting type tools:						
Orders, new (net), total.....mil. \$..	127.75	90.95	72.80	91.60	r89.55	p82.70
Domestic.....do....	99.55	74.55	58.85	85.45	r77.95	p74.85
Shipments, total.....do....	129.05	128.90	121.85	170.00	r159.45	p137.60
Domestic.....do....	108.45	110.05	101.95	143.10	r130.50	p108.35
Order backlog, end of month.....do....	2,168.1	2,130.2	1,339.4	1,261.0	r1,191.1	p1,136.2
Metal forming type tools:						
Orders, new (net), total.....do....	42.65	*-11.30	29.95	19.70	r30.20	p21.00
Domestic.....do....	33.50	*-14.50	24.60	17.35	r26.85	p18.25
Shipments, total.....do....	62.80	51.60	51.80	40.75	r47.55	p43.30
Domestic.....do....	57.05	48.35	43.20	34.45	r42.75	p35.90
Order backlog, end of month.....do....	622.8	559.9	296.6	275.6	r258.2	p235.9
ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT:						
Household electrical appliances, factory sales <u>1</u> /.....thous..	2,567	1,915	2,106	2,243	2,246	1,577
Air conditioners (room).....do....	140.4	140.9	71.6	27.4	101.0	60.3
Dishwashers.....do....	302.3	248.9	227.1	253.1	318.1	247.6
Disposers (food waste).....do....	204.3	r183.8	178.7	206.5	214.6	179.0
Ranges.....do....	233.0	r191.2	178.6	187.2	198.3	156.2
Refrigerators.....do....	524.5	339.9	417.6	464.8	456.6	304.7
Freezers.....do....	339.1	r302.3	272.4	242.9	184.8	91.5
Washers.....do....	443.3	r249.7	424.3	480.5	429.1	296.2
Dryers (incl. gas).....do....	352.8	221.8	288.1	345.8	315.5	218.7

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