

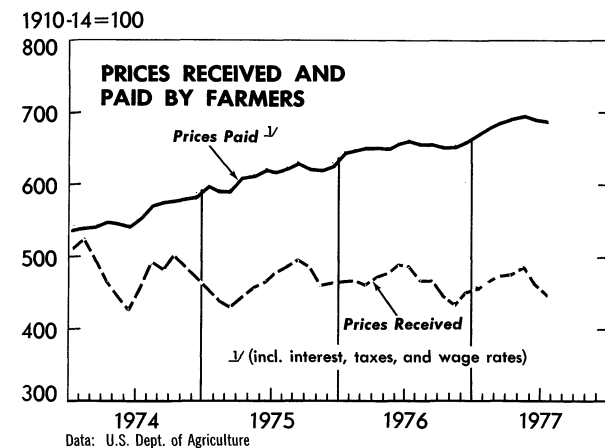
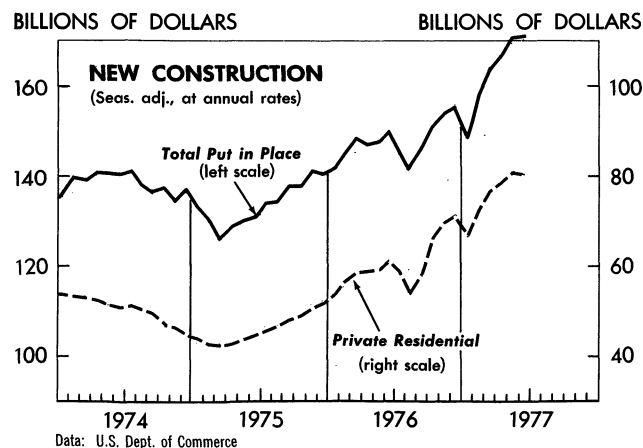
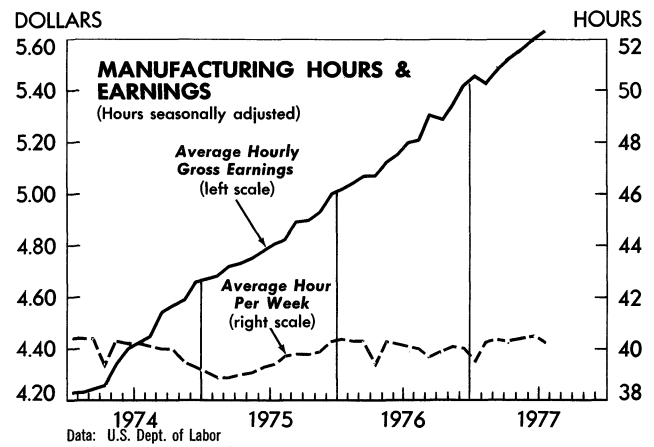
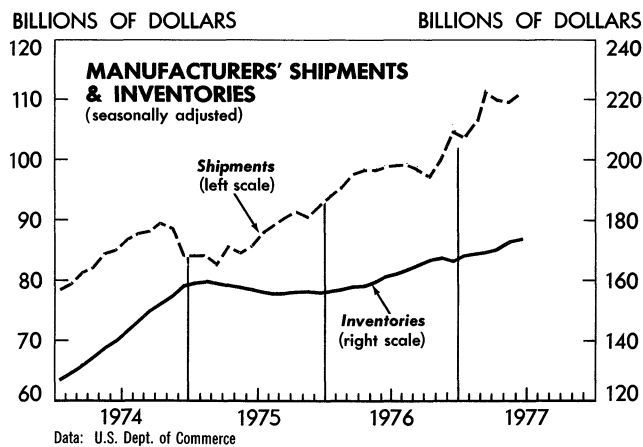
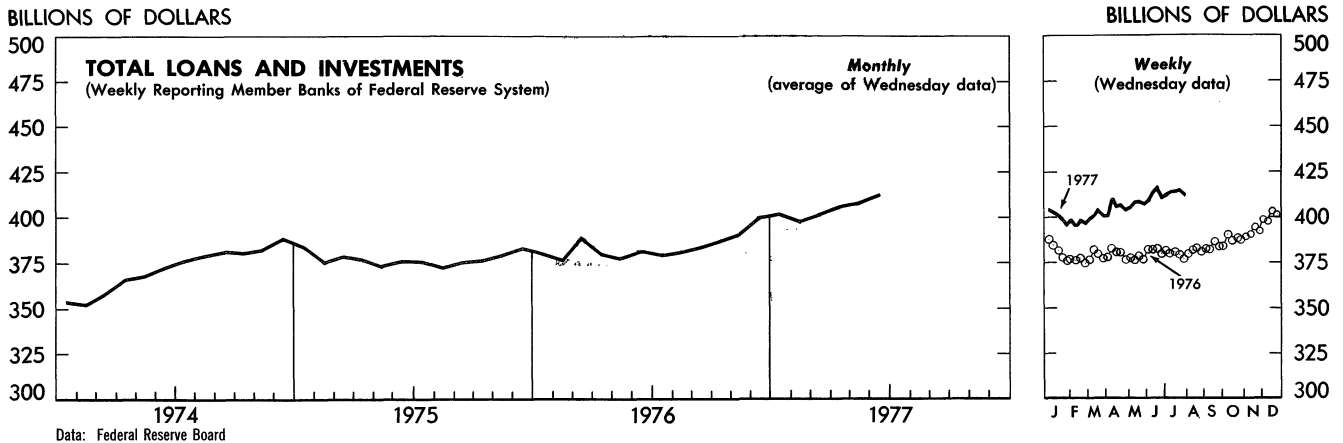


# WEEKLY BUSINESS STATISTICS



Annual Subscription: domestic, \$15.00; foreign, \$18.75 (no single copies sold). Order from Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402.

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



WEEKLY BUSINESS STATISTICS updates selected data that are published monthly in the SURVEY OF CURRENT BUSINESS.

WEEKLY BUSINESS STATISTICS<sup>1</sup>

ITEM	1976		1977			
	July 31	Aug. 7	July 16	July 23	July 30	Aug. 6
WHOLESALE PRICES, 22 COMMODITIES <sup>2/</sup> .....1967=100..	212.8	207.4	202.3	203.3	203.5	205.0
9 Foodstuffs.....do....	211.2	203.8	200.8	202.2	202.5	197.1
13 Raw industrials.....do....	213.8	209.7	203.3	203.9	204.1	202.7
ALL RETAIL STORE, SALES.....mil. \$..	12,730	12,301	13,860	13,914	14,216	.....
Nondurable goods stores.....do....	8,023	8,338	8,889	8,910	8,900	.....
INITIAL UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIMS, State programs.....thous..	401	374	420	396	376	.....
INSURED UNEMPLOYMENT, all programs.....do....	3,604	3,584	3,143	3,086	.....	.....
State programs (50 States, D.C. and Puerto Rico).....do....	2,797	2,769	2,507	2,460	.....	.....
FAILURES, INDUST. AND COMMERCIAL (Dun & Bradstreet)....number..	148	177	135	157	103	126
FINANCE:						
Currency in circulation <sup>3/</sup> .....mil. \$..	89,077	89,226	97,921	97,581	97,166	e97,341
Federal Reserve bank credit outstanding, total <sup>3/</sup> .....do....	103,424	105,395	113,332	113,223	112,251	113,999
Member bank reserve balances <sup>3/</sup> .....do....	34,219	34,691	34,837	35,628	35,193	36,128
Excess reserves, estimated <sup>3/</sup> .....do....	32	436	458	313	97	630
Assets and liabilities of large commercial banks: <sup>4/</sup>						
Demand deposits, adjusted.....do....	105,140	103,017	112,473	111,722	110,505	.....
Savings deposits.....do....	80,522	80,400	94,308	94,369	94,362	.....
Loans and investments, gross adjusted, total.....do....	378,001	379,576	413,992	414,245	412,341	.....
U.S. Government obligations.....do....	41,300	42,745	47,816	47,889	46,540	.....
Commercial and industrial loans (gross).....do....	111,742	111,316	118,625	118,441	118,843	.....
Real estate loans (gross).....do....	62,387	61,810	68,307	68,520	68,671	.....
Bond yields, domestic corporate (Moody's) <sup>3/</sup> .....percent..	8.96	8.92	8.34	8.33	8.34	8.35
Stock prices, 500 stocks (Stand. & Poor's) <sup>4/</sup> .....1941-43=10..	103.05	104.43	99.59	101.73	98.64	98.37
Industrial, 400 stocks.....do....	115.60	117.01	109.40	111.83	108.22	108.09
PRODUCTION:						
Bituminous coal.....thous. sh. tons..	10,695	9,375	12,065	12,100	12,650	.....
Electric power, by utilities.....mil. kw.-hr..	43,756	40,435	46,444	47,905	43,451	.....
Motor vehicles (passenger cars).....number..	87,062	103,952	169,727	152,109	140,791	.....
Petroleum (crude) and condensate <sup>3/</sup> .....thous. bbl..	8,165	8,178	8,311	8,311	8,310	.....
Steel, raw.....thous. sh. tons..	2,603	2,560	2,383	2,293	2,303	2,294
Rate of capability utilization <sup>5/</sup> .....percent..	85.7	84.3	78.4	75.5	75.8	75.5
RAIL FREIGHT, REVENUE TON-MILES.....bil..	15.1	14.5	15.6	15.8	16.3	.....

1/ Data do not always cover calendar weeks. 2/ Tuesday price. 3/ Daily average. 4/ Wednesday data. 5/ Capability for a full order book based on current availability of raw materials, fuels, supplies, and industry facilities. e/ Estimated.

## MONTHLY BUSINESS STATISTICS

ITEM	1976		1977			
	May	June	Mar.	Apr.	May	June
GENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORS						
MANUFACTURERS' SHIPMENTS:						
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED, TOTAL.....mil. \$..	99,273	103,803	r114,201	r111,242	r110,762	116,962
Durable goods industries, total.....do....	51,988	54,777	r60,550	r58,171	r58,405	62,478
Stone, clay, and glass products.....do....	2,564	2,739	2,943	2,904	r2,991	3,247
Primary metals.....do....	8,031	8,318	8,847	r8,630	r8,661	9,158
Fabricated metal products.....do....	c7,018	7,242	7,689	7,496	r7,397	7,907
Machinery, except electrical.....do....	9,291	9,840	r10,772	r10,222	r10,096	10,757
Electrical machinery.....do....	5,813	6,236	6,813	6,601	6,493	7,161
Transportation equipment.....do....	11,821	12,541	14,773	13,806	r14,186	15,179
Instruments and related products.....do....	2,026	2,179	2,372	2,271	r2,295	2,470
Nondurable goods industries, total <sup>1/</sup> .....do....	47,285	49,025	53,651	53,071	r52,357	54,484
Food and kindred products.....do....	14,527	15,035	15,797	15,429	r15,028	15,907
Tobacco products.....do....	633	691	714	696	r723	738
Textile mill products.....do....	3,177	3,385	3,659	3,543	r3,571	3,672
Paper and allied products.....do....	4,235	4,395	4,647	4,683	r4,570	4,850
Chemicals and allied products.....do....	8,733	8,750	10,218	10,069	r9,783	9,926
Petroleum and coal products.....do....	6,546	6,952	7,597	7,838	r8,055	8,185
Rubber and plastics products.....do....	2,799	2,848	3,215	3,140	r3,142	3,295
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED, TOTAL.....do....	98,191	98,597	r111,241	r109,640	r109,458	110,985
By industry group:						
Durable goods industries, total <sup>1/</sup> .....do....	50,558	50,606	r58,849	r56,764	r56,717	57,686
Stone, clay, and glass products.....do....	2,454	2,538	2,989	2,842	r2,860	3,009
Primary metals.....do....	7,694	7,727	r8,566	r8,136	r8,296	8,508
Fabricated metal products.....do....	6,877	6,821	7,707	7,370	r7,253	7,446
Machinery, except electrical.....do....	9,263	8,940	r9,904	r10,017	r10,060	9,780
Electrical machinery.....do....	5,880	5,881	r6,655	r6,602	r6,555	6,747
Transportation equipment.....do....	11,117	11,491	r14,367	r13,341	r13,325	13,885
Instruments and related products.....do....	2,049	2,065	2,344	2,323	r2,321	2,340

r/ Revised. c/ Corrected. 1/ Includes data for "other industries" not shown.  
84:419

ITEM	1976		1977			
	May	June	Mar.	Apr.	May	June
GENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORS--Con.						
MANUFACTURERS' SHIPMENTS (SEAS. ADJ.)--Con.						
By industry group--Con.						
Nondurable goods industries, total 1/.....mil. \$.	47,634	47,990	52,392	r52,876	r52,741	53,299
Food and kindred products.....do....	14,754	15,037	15,451	15,778	15,261	15,921
Tobacco products.....do....	621	651	738	728	r709	694
Textile mill products.....do....	3,167	3,148	3,503	3,593	r3,558	3,414
Paper and allied products.....do....	4,257	4,186	4,579	4,702	r4,593	4,615
Chemicals and allied products.....do....	8,344	8,525	9,682	9,480	r9,364	9,656
Petroleum and coal products.....do....	6,630	6,776	7,660	7,884	r8,159	7,973
Rubber and plastics products.....do....	2,779	2,704	3,118	2,995	r3,116	3,122
INVENTORIES, END OF MONTH:						
Book value (unadjusted), total.....do....	159,878	160,512	170,818	171,886	r173,087	172,725
Durable goods industries, total.....do....	102,334	102,553	108,726	109,218	r109,925	109,936
Nondurable goods industries, total.....do....	57,544	57,959	62,092	62,668	r63,162	62,789
Book value (seasonally adjusted), total.....do....	159,488	161,118	169,379	170,747	r172,629	173,503
By industry group:						
Durable goods industries, total 1/.....do....	101,502	102,429	107,685	108,190	r109,154	110,113
Stone, clay, and glass products.....do....	3,869	3,885	4,142	4,193	r4,258	4,248
Primary metals.....do....	15,799	15,995	17,323	17,332	r17,584	17,654
Fabricated metal products.....do....	12,709	12,529	13,265	13,332	r13,396	13,601
Machinery, except electrical.....do....	23,160	23,409	24,417	24,476	r24,566	24,809
Electrical machinery.....do....	13,176	13,569	14,647	14,741	r15,088	15,337
Transportation equipment.....do....	19,612	19,781	19,428	19,594	r19,735	20,014
Instruments and related products.....do....	4,380	4,386	4,728	4,721	r4,785	4,723
Nondurable goods industries, total 1/.....do....	57,986	58,689	61,694	62,557	r63,475	63,390
Food and kindred products.....do....	14,732	14,873	16,130	16,530	r16,819	16,372
Tobacco products.....do....	3,637	3,569	3,484	3,549	r3,582	3,598
Textile mill products.....do....	5,060	5,078	5,368	5,426	r5,473	5,506
Paper and allied products.....do....	4,958	5,045	r5,352	5,439	r5,534	5,551
Chemicals and allied products.....do....	12,192	12,332	12,962	13,038	r13,152	13,266
Petroleum and coal products.....do....	4,650	4,835	5,156	5,252	r5,467	5,563
Rubber and plastics products.....do....	3,700	3,673	4,079	4,016	r4,087	4,119
NEW ORDERS, NET (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED), TOTAL.....do....	98,440	104,530	r114,873	r113,054	r111,066	118,226
Durable goods industries, total.....do....	51,075	55,728	r60,900	r59,824	r58,899	63,752
Nondurable goods industries, total.....do....	47,365	48,803	53,973	53,230	r52,167	54,474
NEW ORDERS, NET (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED), TOTAL.....do....	99,025	99,135	r111,788	r111,547	r111,693	112,140
By industry group:						
Durable goods industries, total 1/.....do....	51,354	51,249	r59,160	r58,652	r59,176	58,756
Primary metals.....do....	8,726	8,158	r8,647	r7,904	r9,079	8,102
Fabricated metal products.....do....	6,661	7,089	7,832	7,363	7,337	7,240
Machinery, except electrical.....do....	8,970	8,856	9,991	r9,791	r10,143	10,436
Electrical machinery.....do....	6,251	6,491	6,338	r6,941	r7,163	6,937
Transportation equipment.....do....	11,082	10,968	r14,564	r15,128	r14,179	14,926
Nondurable goods industries, total.....do....	47,670	47,886	52,628	52,895	r52,517	53,384
Industries with unfilled orders.....do....	10,587	10,412	11,772	11,789	r11,484	11,742
Industries without unfilled orders.....do....	r37,083	37,475	40,856	41,106	r41,033	41,642
UNFILLED ORDERS, END OF MONTH (UNADJ.), TOTAL.....do....	170,104	170,832	r178,453	r180,255	r180,563	181,829
Durable goods industries, total.....do....	161,600	162,550	r169,884	r171,526	r172,024	173,299
Nondurable goods industries with unfilled orders.....do....	8,504	8,282	8,569	8,729	r8,539	8,530
UNFILLED ORDERS, END OF MONTH (SEAS. ADJ.), TOTAL.....do....	171,520	172,059	r178,167	r180,065	r182,301	183,459
By industry group:						
Durable goods industries, total 1/.....do....	163,322	163,965	r169,704	r171,587	r174,047	175,119
Primary metals.....do....	16,260	16,692	17,122	16,890	r17,673	17,268
Fabricated metal products.....do....	22,723	22,992	23,501	23,494	r23,577	23,373
Machinery, except electrical.....do....	44,227	44,123	r44,361	r44,133	r44,215	44,871
Electrical machinery.....do....	21,900	22,510	23,437	23,772	r24,383	24,572
Transportation equipment.....do....	50,216	49,693	52,729	54,517	r55,371	56,412
Nondurable goods industries with unfilled orders.....do....	8,198	8,094	8,463	8,478	r8,254	8,340
COMMODITY PRICES						
PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS, ALL FARM PRODUCTS.....1910-14=100..						
Crops.....do....	488	486	477	484	461	450
Commercial vegetables.....do....	471	481	479	482	r447	407
Cotton.....do....	418	447	507	482	r435	452
Feed grains and hay.....do....	565	581	572	567	r516	510
Food grains.....do....	412	421	359	352	r328	300
Fruit.....do....	382	376	277	261	r245	239
Tobacco.....do....	284	268	319	374	354	339
Livestock and products.....do....	877	851	967	966	966	841
Dairy products.....do....	505	492	473	485	476	493
Meat animals.....do....	559	577	577	571	r574	582
Poultry and eggs.....do....	626	588	551	585	568	590
PRICES PAID BY FARMERS:	226	233	232	220	217	231
All commodities and services.....do....	569	571	597	601	597	595
Family living items.....do....	561	565	565	570	573	577
Production items.....do....	568	569	592	594	588	583
All commod., services, int., taxes, and wage rates.....do....	657	660	692	695	r692	689
PARITY RATIO.....do....	74	74	69	70	67	65

r/ Revised. 1/ Includes data for "other industries" not shown.  
84,419

## MONTHLY BUSINESS STATISTICS—Continued

ITEM	1976		1977			
	May	June	Mar.	Apr.	May	June
<b>CONSTRUCTION AND REAL ESTATE</b>						
NEW CONSTRUCTION PUT IN PLACE (UNADJ.), TOTAL.....mil. \$..	r12,496	r13,557	11,708	r13,022	r14,432	15,418
Private, total.....do....	9,196	r9,877	9,269	r10,263	r11,231	11,843
Residential (incl. farm).....do....	5,120	r5,699	5,321	r6,088	r6,921	7,400
New housing units.....do....	3,797	r4,215	4,351	r4,839	r5,546	6,086
Nonresidential buildings, total <u>1</u> /.....do....	2,144	r2,216	2,078	2,204	r2,254	2,375
Industrial.....do....	602	r613	554	582	r600	602
Commercial.....do....	1,047	r1,069	1,051	1,108	r1,142	1,227
Public, total.....do....	3,299	r3,680	2,439	2,759	r3,201	3,575
NEW CONSTRUCTION PUT IN PLACE (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED AT ANNUAL RATES), TOTAL.....bil. \$..	147.8	r149.6	163.3	r166.1	r170.4	171.0
Private, total.....do....	108.2	r109.7	127.9	r130.0	r132.0	132.2
Residential (incl. farm).....do....	59.2	r61.0	76.2	r78.0	r80.5	80.1
New housing units.....do....	45.4	r45.8	62.2	r63.5	66.2	66.6
Nonresidential buildings, total <u>1</u> /.....do....	26.0	r26.0	26.7	27.4	27.0	28.3
Industrial.....do....	7.2	r7.2	7.2	7.3	r7.2	7.1
Commercial.....do....	12.8	r12.6	r13.7	13.9	r13.7	14.8
Public, total.....do....	39.6	r39.9	35.4	36.2	r38.4	38.8
<b>CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS IN 50 STATES, (F.W. DODGE):</b>						
TOTAL VALUATION.....mil. \$..	9,836	10,533	9,937	12,079	15,932	15,417
Index (seasonally adjusted).....1967=100..	205	r196	207	250	317	284
Building, total.....mil. \$..	6,774	6,971	8,152	8,156	8,707	9,009
By type of building:						
Nonresidential.....do....	2,819	2,805	3,003	2,890	3,047	3,063
Residential.....do....	3,955	4,166	5,149	5,266	5,660	5,945
Non-building construction.....do....	3,062	3,562	1,785	3,922	7,225	6,409
New mortgage loans of all savings and loan associations, estimated total.....mil. \$..	6,625	8,326	8,211	8,966	r9,800	11,209
By purpose of loan:						
Home construction.....do....	1,271	1,435	1,716	1,758	r1,919	2,090
Home purchase.....do....	4,050	5,300	4,780	5,426	r6,021	7,069
All other purposes.....do....	1,304	1,591	1,715	1,782	r1,860	2,050
<b>CONSTRUCTION COST INDEXES:</b>						
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE COMPOSITE.....1972=100..	142.7	143.6	150.9	r150.5	r151.7	152.7

r/ Revised. 1/ Except farm and public utilities  
USCOMM--DC--84,419

UNITED STATES  
GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE  
DIVISION OF PUBLIC DOCUMENTS  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20402

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

**First-Class Mail**

United States  
Government  
Printing Office

SUPERINTENDENT  
OF DOCUMENTS  
Washington, D.C. 20402

OFFICIAL BUSINESS  
Penalty for private use, \$300

Postage and Fees Paid  
U.S. Government Printing Office



**WEEKLY BUSINESS STATISTICS**