



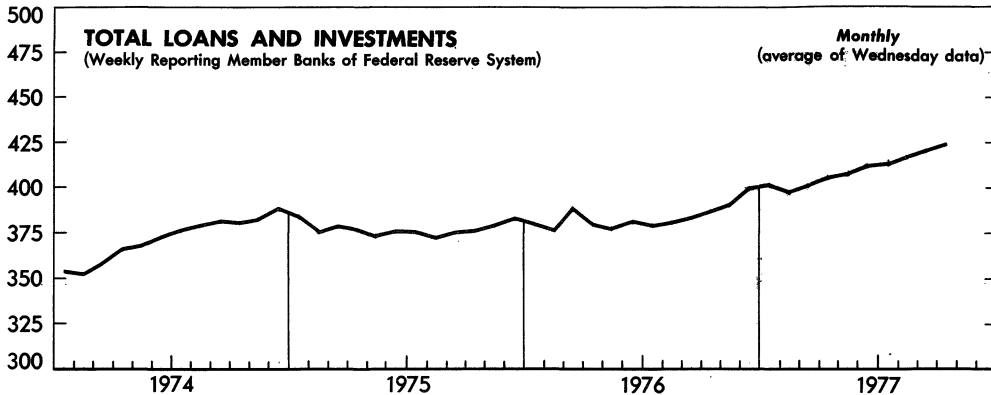
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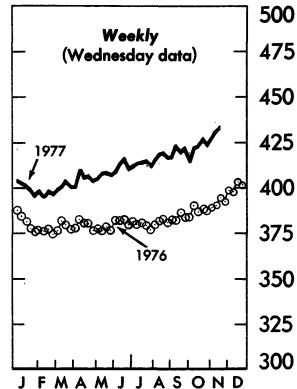
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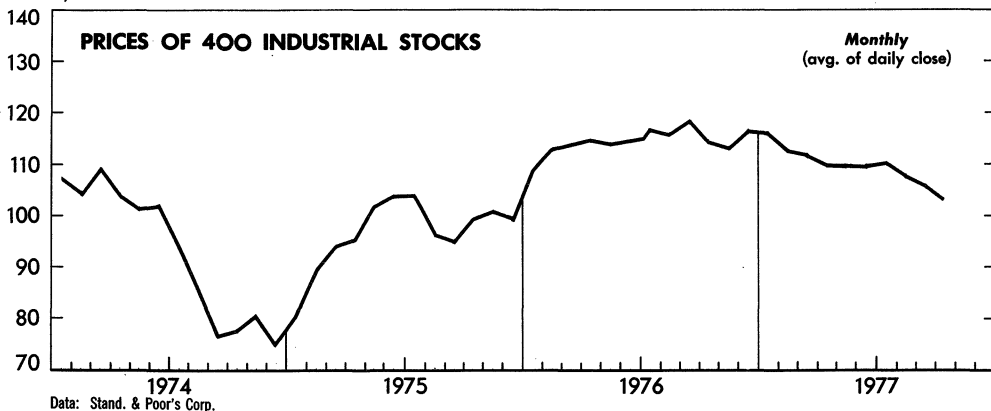
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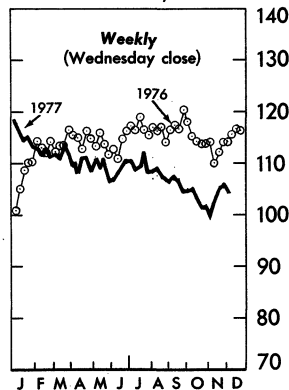
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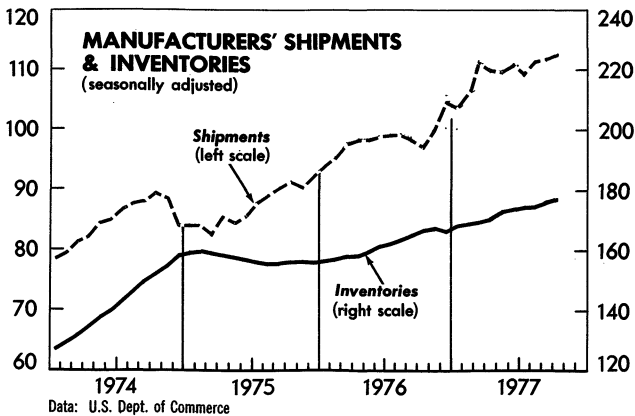
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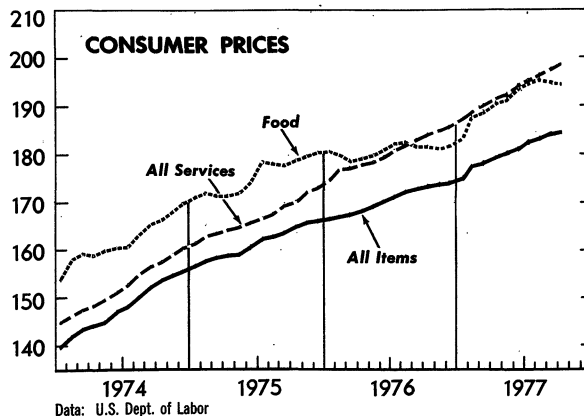


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ITEM	1976		1977			
	Nov. 27	Dec. 4	Nov. 12	Nov. 19	Nov. 26	Dec. 3
WHOLESALE PRICES, 22 COMMODITIES <sup>2/</sup> .....1967=100..	198.2	197.3	204.1	205.4	207.3	209.1
9 Foodstuffs.....do....	192.7	191.5	206.1	208.8	212.6	211.5
13 Raw industrials.....do....	202.0	201.3	202.7	202.9	203.5	207.3
ALL RETAIL STORES, SALES.....mil. \$..	12,886	14,223	13,869	14,370	14,256	.....
Nondurable goods stores.....do....	8,951	9,664	9,320	9,679	9,717	.....
INITIAL UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIMS, State programs.....thous..	369	501	311	368	342	.....
INSURED UNEMPLOYMENT, all programs.....do....	3,689	3,718	2,857	2,662	.....	.....
State programs (50 States, D.C., and Puerto Rico).....do....	2,901	2,936	2,260	2,126	.....	.....
FAILURES, INDUST. AND COMMERCIAL (Dun & Bradstreet)...number..	171	160	149	156	120	116
FINANCE:						
Currency in circulation <sup>3/</sup> .....mil. \$..	92,318	92,773	99,886	100,852	100,993	e101,492
Federal Reserve bank credit outstanding, total <sup>3/</sup> .....do....	106,472	107,590	109,523	110,481	111,133	111,509
Member bank reserve balances <sup>3/</sup> .....do....	34,392	35,113	35,567	36,328	35,909	35,988
Excess reserves, estimated <sup>3/</sup> .....do....	120	384	158	512	51	493
Assets and liabilities of large commercial banks: <sup>4/</sup>						
Demand deposits, adjusted.....do....	104,075	111,302	111,628	114,433	.....	.....
Savings deposits.....do....	86,176	86,851	92,950	92,643	.....	.....
Loans and investments, gross adjusted, total.....do....	392,620	398,929	431,712	433,329	.....	.....
U.S. Government obligations.....do....	47,046	47,615	44,859	45,930	.....	.....
Commercial and industrial loans (gross).....do....	115,048	115,507	123,560	123,209	.....	.....
Real estate loans (gross).....do....	63,059	63,227	72,779	73,038	.....	.....
Bond yields, domestic corporate (Moody's) <sup>3/</sup> .....percent..	8.54	8.50	8.49	8.49	8.48	8.47
Stock prices, 500 stocks (Stand. & Poor's) <sup>4/</sup> ...1941-43=10..	102.41	102.49	92.98	95.45	96.49	94.83
Industrial, 400 stocks.....do....	114.20	114.13	102.30	104.99	106.10	104.19
PRODUCTION:						
Bituminous coal.....thous. sh. tons..	11,795	12,915	15,295	15,670	13,165	.....
Electric power, by utilities.....mil. kw.-hr..	38,248	42,622	38,498	39,712	38,561	.....
Motor vehicles (passenger cars).....number..	113,527	202,773	195,375	196,918	114,888	.....
Petroleum (crude) and condensate <sup>3/</sup> .....thous. bbl..	8,101	8,070	8,525	8,525	8,525	.....
Steel, raw.....thous. sh. tons..	2,084	2,090	2,282	2,247	2,264	2,287
Rate of capability utilization <sup>5/</sup> .....percent..	67.9	68.1	75.2	74.1	74.6	75.4
RAIL FREIGHT, REVENUE TON-MILES.....bil..	13.3	15.1	16.3	17.0	13.5	.....

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			
	Sept.	Oct.	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct. <sup>p/</sup>
GENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORS						
MANUFACTURERS' SHIPMENTS:						
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED, TOTAL.....mil. \$..	103,245	101,180	102,201	109,894	r116,853	117,861
Durable goods industries, total.....do....	53,023	51,666	52,379	55,768	r61,415	62,491
Stone, clay, and glass products.....do....	2,768	2,710	2,856	3,281	r3,189	3,129
Primary metals.....do....	7,844	7,454	7,483	7,991	r8,544	8,326
Fabricated metal products.....do....	6,868	6,693	6,600	7,438	r7,866	8,086
Machinery, except electrical.....do....	9,644	9,127	9,137	9,716	r10,622	10,434
Electrical machinery.....do....	6,515	6,383	6,236	6,780	r7,401	7,424
Transportation equipment.....do....	11,106	11,307	12,175	11,278	r14,181	15,532
Nondurable goods industries, total <sup>1/</sup> .....do....	50,221	49,514	49,822	54,126	r55,438	55,370
Food and kindred products.....do....	15,466	15,289	14,706	15,774	r16,110	16,256
Tobacco products.....do....	677	753	689	749	r726	701
Textile mill products.....do....	3,302	3,198	2,988	3,640	r3,833	3,908
Paper and allied products.....do....	4,443	4,255	4,220	4,675	r4,587	4,605
Chemicals and allied products.....do....	8,835	8,315	8,552	9,319	r9,851	9,244
Petroleum and coal products.....do....	7,107	7,103	8,122	8,122	r8,117	8,274
Rubber and plastics products.....do....	2,730	2,832	2,812	3,109	r3,256	3,245
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED, TOTAL.....do....	98,387	97,043	109,208	111,376	r111,921	112,745
By industry group:						
Durable goods industries, total <sup>1/</sup> .....do....	50,060	49,029	56,820	58,087	r58,608	59,065
Stone, clay, and glass products.....do....	2,568	2,471	2,906	3,080	r2,955	2,851
Primary metals.....do....	7,746	7,355	8,174	8,281	r8,440	8,220
Fabricated metal products.....do....	6,485	6,309	6,972	7,303	r7,432	7,615
Machinery, except electrical.....do....	9,378	9,204	10,037	10,465	r10,333	10,514
Electrical machinery.....do....	6,101	6,037	6,900	6,912	r6,946	7,024
Transportation equipment.....do....	10,117	10,102	13,548	13,193	r13,603	13,799
Instruments and related products.....do....	2,086	2,068	2,280	2,339	r2,319	2,377

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ITEM	1976		1977			
	Sept.	Oct.	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct. p/
<b>GENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORS--Con.</b>						
<b>MANUFACTURERS' SHIPMENTS (SEAS. ADJ.)--Con.</b>						
By industry group--Con.						
Nondurable goods industries, total 1/.....mil. \$..	48,328	48,014	52,388	53,289	r53,313	53,680
Food and kindred products.....do....	14,762	14,807	15,513	15,768	r15,383	15,746
Tobacco products.....do....	682	749	676	708	r731	697
Textile mill products.....do....	3,088	2,974	3,423	3,537	r3,589	3,643
Paper and allied products.....do....	4,302	4,137	4,433	4,548	r4,441	4,482
Chemicals and allied products.....do....	8,611	8,361	9,064	9,206	r9,578	9,306
Petroleum and coal products.....do....	7,075	7,163	8,080	8,073	r8,067	8,336
Rubber and plastics products.....do....	2,649	2,690	3,010	3,070	r3,155	3,084
<b>INVENTORIES, END OF MONTH:</b>						
Book value (unadjusted), total.....do....	162,900	165,320	172,902	173,730	r174,161	175,395
Durable goods industries, total.....do....	103,249	104,483	110,110	110,656	r110,740	110,889
Nondurable goods industries, total.....do....	59,652	60,837	62,792	63,074	r63,421	64,506
Book value (seasonally adjusted), total.....do....	164,966	166,674	174,571	175,104	r176,164	176,829
By industry group:						
Durable goods industries, total 1/.....do....	104,117	105,589	110,978	111,452	r111,787	112,075
Stone, clay, and glass products.....do....	3,998	4,092	4,321	4,314	r4,348	4,399
Primary metals.....do....	16,660	17,113	17,819	17,759	r17,640	17,830
Fabricated metal products.....do....	12,827	13,131	13,682	13,763	r13,897	13,888
Machinery, except electrical.....do....	23,678	23,885	25,018	25,148	r25,242	25,532
Electrical machinery.....do....	13,811	13,961	15,250	15,379	r15,488	15,473
Transportation equipment.....do....	19,621	19,823	20,377	20,555	r20,537	20,147
Instruments and related products.....do....	4,465	4,524	4,839	4,878	r4,933	4,998
Nondurable goods industries, total 1/.....do....	60,850	61,085	63,593	63,652	r64,377	64,754
Food and kindred products.....do....	15,830	15,876	16,127	16,120	r16,590	16,463
Tobacco products.....do....	3,704	3,659	3,647	3,561	r3,712	3,646
Textile mill products.....do....	5,201	5,158	5,464	5,461	r5,413	5,449
Paper and allied products.....do....	5,136	5,228	5,625	5,649	r5,628	5,660
Chemicals and allied products.....do....	12,977	13,040	13,549	13,746	r13,949	14,226
Petroleum and coal products.....do....	5,043	5,058	5,654	5,686	r5,846	5,830
Rubber and plastics products.....do....	3,708	3,763	4,112	4,137	r4,185	4,095
<b>NEW ORDERS, NET (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED), TOTAL.....do....</b>						
Durable goods industries, total.....do....	102,455	102,473	103,311	111,036	r117,055	121,412
Nondurable goods industries, total.....do....	50,148	49,659	49,994	53,929	r55,342	55,368
<b>NEW ORDERS, NET (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED), TOTAL.....do....</b>						
Durable goods industries, total.....do....	98,476	99,066	108,598	111,494	r112,441	116,303
By industry group:						
Durable goods industries, total 1/.....do....	50,068	50,754	56,031	58,270	r58,048	62,520
Primary metals.....do....	7,556	7,019	8,311	8,576	r8,692	8,062
Fabricated metal products.....do....	6,280	6,425	6,798	7,346	r7,204	7,921
Machinery, except electrical.....do....	9,283	9,232	10,130	10,897	r10,823	11,000
Electrical machinery.....do....	5,963	6,467	6,901	6,973	r7,070	7,172
Transportation equipment.....do....	10,751	11,369	12,667	12,417	r13,145	16,087
Nondurable goods industries, total.....do....	48,409	48,252	52,567	53,224	r53,393	53,783
Industries with unfilled orders.....do....	10,738	11,453	11,756	11,922	r11,985	12,055
Industries without unfilled orders.....do....	37,671	36,799	40,811	41,302	r41,408	41,728
<b>UNFILLED ORDERS, END OF MONTH (UNADJ.), TOTAL.....do....</b>						
Durable goods industries, total.....do....	171,440	172,731	182,632	183,774	r183,974	187,528
Nondurable goods industries with unfilled orders.....do....	163,851	164,998	173,984	175,322	r175,617	179,172
<b>UNFILLED ORDERS, END OF MONTH (SEAS. ADJ.), TOTAL.....do....</b>						
Durable goods industries, total.....do....	170,503	172,468	182,541	182,646	r183,166	186,722
By industry group:						
Durable goods industries, total 1/.....do....	162,795	164,522	174,072	174,245	r174,682	177,138
Primary metals.....do....	16,140	15,804	17,342	17,634	r17,887	17,728
Fabricated metal products.....do....	22,881	22,997	23,179	23,222	r22,995	23,301
Machinery, except electrical.....do....	43,886	43,914	44,988	45,420	r45,909	46,397
Electrical machinery.....do....	22,246	22,678	24,500	24,556	r24,679	24,827
Transportation equipment.....do....	49,690	50,958	55,351	54,575	r54,114	56,518
Nondurable goods industries with unfilled orders.....do....	7,708	7,946	8,469	8,401	r8,484	8,584
<b>CONSTRUCTION AND REAL ESTATE</b>						
<b>NEW CONSTRUCTION PUT IN PLACE (UNADJ.), TOTAL.....mil. \$..</b>						
Private, total.....do....	13,700	13,987	15,839	r16,385	r16,533	16,420
Residential (incl. farm).....do....	9,969	10,575	12,265	r12,565	r12,710	12,784
New housing units.....do....	5,574	6,073	7,717	r7,844	r7,837	7,802
Nonresidential buildings, total 2/.....do....	4,753	4,834	6,306	r6,471	r6,491	6,481
Industrial.....do....	2,349	2,367	2,497	2,595	r2,677	2,692
Commercial.....do....	626	610	620	658	r656	662
Public, total.....do....	1,150	1,191	1,329	1,380	r1,452	1,458
Public, total.....do....	3,731	3,412	3,574	r3,820	r3,823	3,636
<b>NEW CONSTRUCTION PUT IN PLACE (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED AT ANNUAL RATES), TOTAL.....bil. \$..</b>						
Private, total.....do....	145.2	150.1	172.3	r170.9	r174.9	176.0
Residential (incl. farm).....do....	107.4	114.8	133.0	r132.7	r135.6	138.5
New housing units.....do....	57.7	65.5	79.6	79.1	r80.9	84.2
Nonresidential buildings, total 2/.....do....	48.7	50.9	65.1	r65.1	r66.3	68.6
Industrial.....do....	26.5	26.0	29.2	29.2	r29.9	29.6
Commercial.....do....	7.1	6.9	7.2	7.6	r7.5	7.4
Public, total.....do....	12.8	12.7	r15.5	15.3	r16.0	15.7
Public, total.....do....	37.9	35.3	39.2	38.2	r39.3	37.5
<b>CONSTRUCTION COST INDEXES:</b>						
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE COMPOSITE.....1972=100..	144.5	145.3	157.3	159.3	162.0	161.5

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ITEM	1976		1977			
	Sept.	Oct.	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.
<b>FOREIGN TRADE</b>						
EXPORTS (MDSE.), INCL. REEXPORTS, TOTAL.....mil. \$..	9,215.5	10,084.2	9,508.5	8,881.9	10,361.7	9,312.1
Excl. Department of Defense Shipments.....do....	9,165.9	10,079.8	9,505.3	8,879.0	10,358.1	9,309.5
Seasonally adjusted.....do....	9,795.8	9,697.7	10,149.8	9,562.7	10,915.9	9,190.0
By commodity groups and principal commodities:						
Food and live animals.....do....	1,321.6	1,515.8	1,161.9	1,138.4	1,244.3	985.3
Beverages and tobacco.....do....	131.1	149.8	156.6	155.6	201.8	67.3
Crude materials, inedible, exc. fuels.....do....	823.5	1,049.5	908.7	686.2	798.9	1,017.0
Mineral fuels, lubricants, etc.....do....	387.8	407.2	397.8	333.6	401.4	366.2
Animal and vegetable oils, fats, waxes.....do....	91.5	83.1	129.3	106.6	108.3	99.8
Chemicals.....do....	785.1	815.4	958.0	883.2	1,062.4	740.9
Manufactured goods.....do....	910.7	906.7	890.8	862.4	1,054.3	779.0
Machinery and transport equipment, total.....do....	3,853.1	4,229.0	3,868.6	3,677.2	4,367.4	4,236.6
Electrical.....do....	766.6	833.3	844.2	778.4	901.7	819.5
Transport equipment, total.....do....	1,360.2	1,502.1	1,240.8	1,244.7	1,507.5	1,794.0
GENERAL IMPORTS, TOTAL.....do....	10,384.7	10,023.1	11,859.8	12,661.5	12,475.7	11,813.6
Seasonally adjusted.....do....	10,651.0	10,555.1	12,476.1	12,232.2	12,631.1	12,287.9
By commodity groups and principal commodities:						
Food and live animals.....do....	851.2	776.5	938.9	934.6	895.9	784.4
Beverages and tobacco.....do....	123.5	139.1	112.5	162.5	187.0	139.7
Crude materials, inedible, exc. fuels.....do....	r678.5	602.4	677.2	734.0	708.0	640.1
Mineral fuels, lubricants, etc.....do....	2,959.6	2,823.1	3,531.4	3,761.9	3,809.6	3,396.5
Animal and vegetable oils and fats.....do....	43.2	18.6	42.0	53.3	41.7	29.2
Chemicals.....do....	368.4	471.6	414.3	502.7	474.8	406.8
Manufactured goods.....do....	1,558.0	1,520.1	1,761.9	1,954.8	1,932.5	1,765.2
Machinery and transport equipment.....do....	2,445.0	2,354.4	2,881.7	2,852.6	2,874.9	3,069.4
<b>TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT</b>						
Passenger cars (new):						
Retail sales, total, not seasonally adj.....thous..	792	868	r913	r931	827	p1,013
Domestics.....do....	645	731	731	727	657	870
Imports.....do....	147	138	r182	204	r172	p143
Total, seas. adjusted at annual rate.....do....	9.8	9.6	r10.9	11.5	10.5	p10.9
Domestics.....do....	8.2	7.8	8.7	9.4	8.6	9.1
Imports.....do....	1.6	1.8	r2.2	2.1	1.9	p1.8

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