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MILLIONS OF SHORT TONS


Data: Amer. Iron \& Steel Inst

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

| ITEM | 1977 |  | 1978 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | June 18 | June 25 | June 3 | Jume 10 | June 17 | June 24 |
| WHOLESALE PRICES, 22 COMMODITIES $2 / . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .1967=100 .$. | 208.2 | 206.4 | 232.0 | 230.0 | 229.2 | 229.4 |
| 9 Foodstuffs.... . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . do.... | 210.8 | 207.6 | 250.2 | 244.5 | 240.5 | 240.0 |
| 13 Raw industrials.........................................do.... | 206.3 | 205.4 | 220.1 | 220.3 | 221.5 | 222.2 |
| ALL Retail stores, SALES......................................mil. . . . | 13,979 | 13,897 | 14,844 | 14,859 | 15,353 | ..... |
| Nondurable goods stores..................................d. ${ }^{\text {do... }}$ | 8,985 | 8,854 | 9,507 | 9,656 | 9,878 | . . . . |
| INITIAL UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIMS, State programs.............thous.. | 310 | 321 | 243 | 292 | 287 | ..... |
| INSURED UNEMPLOYMENT, all programs........................ do.... | 2,962 | 2,909 | 2,352 | 2,295 |  | ... |
| State programs ( 50 States, D.C. and Puerto Rico)......d. do... | 2,307 | 2,265 | 2,011 | 1,955 |  | $\cdots$ |
| FAILURES, INDUST. AND COMMERCIAL (Dun \& Bradstreet)...number.. | 166 | 168 | 24 | 106 | $\cdots 137$ | 135 |
| FINANCE: <br> Currency in circulation $3 / \ldots . .$. ................................. <br> Federal Reserve bank credit outstanding, total 3/.....do.... |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 96,146 | 95,993 | 104,818 | 105,425 | 105,830 | e105,654 |
|  | 103,365 | 111,518 | 116,819 | 117,421 | 118,004 | 125,014 |
|  | 34,104 | 34,696 | 37,038 | 36,351 | -37,197 | 125,859 |
|  | 246 | 73 | 487 | 69 | 131 | 332 |
| Assets and liabilities of large commercial banks: 4/ | 111,166 | 109,879 | 113,822 | 114,063 |  |  |
| Savings deposits..................................... . do.... | -94,139 | 193,983 | 113,822 | 114,063 93,370 |  |  |
| Loans and investments, gross adjusted, total........do... | 416,431 | 411,047 | 450,947 | 455,090 | ... | $\cdots$ |
| U.S. Government obligations........................ do.... | 50,788 | 49,024 | 43,425 | 44,447 |  | $\ldots$ |
| Commercial and industrial loans (gross)............d. do... | 118,457 | 119,653 | 134,601 | 134,051 |  | $\cdots$ |
| Real estate loans (gross)..........................do.... | 66,819 | 67,069 | 79,156 | 79,267 | ...... |  |
| Bond yields, domestic corporate (Moody's) 3/......percent.. | 8.36 | 8.35 | 9.12 | 9.13 | 9.10 | 9.12 |
| Stock prices, 500 stocks (Stand. \& Poor's) 4/...1941-43=10.. | 99.62 | 100.46 | 97.24 | 100.12 | 99.48 | 96.01 |
| Industrial, 400 stocks............................... do.... | 109.90 | 110.73 | 107.51 | 110.75 | 109.95 | 106.13 |
| PRODUCTION: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Bituminous coal..............................thous. sh. tons.. | 15,305 | 14,255 | 14,030 | 15,395 | 15,675 | $\ldots$ |
| Electric power, by utilities....................mil. kw.-hr.. | 42,217 | 43,080 | 41,488 | 42,021 | 42,783 |  |
| Motor vehicles (passenger cars)......................number.. | 214,938 | 214,575 | 169,378 | 201,196 | 188,837 | 195,587 |
| Petroleum (crude) and condensate $3 / \ldots . .$. ......thous. bbl.. | 8,263 | 8,263 | 8,880 | 8,880 | 18,880 | 195,587 |
| Steel, raw...........................thous. sh. tons.. | 2,605 | 2,596 |  | 2,800 | 2,781 | 2,749 |
| Rate of capability utilization 5/...............percent.. | 83.3 | 83.0 | 90.5 | 92.1 | 91.5 | 90.5 |
| RAIL FREIGHT, REVENUE TON-MILES............................. bil.. | 17.2 | 16.6 | 16.4 | 18.3 | 18.3 |  |

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 |  |  |  | $\frac{1978}{\text { I r/ }}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | IV | I | II | III | IV |  |
| general buSiness indicators |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| NATIONAL INCOME AND PRODUCT: <br> SEASONALLY ADJUSTED QUARTERLY TOTALS AT ANNUAL RATES: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | $1,755.4$ $1,139.0$ | $1,810.8$ $1,172.4$ | $1,869.9$ $1,194.0$ | 1,915.9 | 1,259.5 | 1,995.3 |
| Personal consumption expenditures, total.......... do.... Durable goods, total........................... ${ }^{\text {do... }}$. | $1,139.0$ 166.3 | $1,172.4$ 177.0 | $1,194.0$ 178.6 | $1,218.9$ 177.6 | 186.0 186.0 | 1,283.4 |
| Motor vehicles and parts........................d. ${ }^{\text {d }}$. . | 75.7 | 85.3 | 84.5 | 81.2 | 84.2 | 85.0 |
| Furniture and household equipment..............do.... | 66.5 | 67.4 | 69.3 | 70.9 | 74.3 | 71.6 |
| Nondurable goods, total.......................... ${ }^{\text {do... }}$. | 458.8 | 466.6 | 474.4 | 481.8 | 499.9 | 504.3 |
| Clothing and shoes................................ do.... | 79.9 | 79.3 | 80.4 | 83.3 | 89.0 | 85.5 |
| Food. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . do. . . . | 232.0 | 237.9 | 244.8 | 248.3 | 254.0 | 259.4 |
| Gasoline and oil............................... ${ }^{\text {do.... }}$ | 43.5 | 44.1 | 44.3 | 44.2 | 46.2 | 47.2 |
| Services, total.....................................d. ${ }^{\text {d }}$... | 513.9 | 528.8 | 541.1 | 559.5 | 573.7 | 594.6 |
| Household operation............................. . . do.... | 78.8 | 80.7 | 79.2 | 85.2 | 86.6 | 92.9 |
| Housing. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . do. . . . | 173.7 | 177.6 | 181.9 | 186.7 | 191.4 | 196.4 |
| Transportation. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . do.... | 38.7 | 39.5 | 40.5 | 42.3 | 43.8 | 45.9 |
| Gross private domestic investment, total..........do.... | 243.4 | 271.8 | 294.9 | 303.6 | 306.7 | 320.0 |
| Fixed investment................................... .do.... | 244.3 | 258.0 | 273.2 | 280.0 | 293.2 | 299.0 |
| Nonresidential. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . do.... | 167.6 | 177.0 | 182.4 | 187.5 | 193.5 | 198.8 |
| Residential. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . do. . . . | 76.7 | 81.0 | 90.8 | 92.5 | 99.7 | 100.1 |
| Change in business inventories...-............... do.... | -. 9 | 13.8 | 21.7 | 23.6 | 13.5 | 21.1 |
| Net exports of goods and services..................do.... | 3.0 | -8.2 | -9.7 | -7.5 | -18.2 | -23.7 |
| Exports............................ . . . . . . . . . . . . do.... | 168.5 | 170.4 | 178.1 | 179.9 | 170.6 | 180.5 |
| Imports.... . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . do. . . . | 165.6 | 178.6 | 187.7 | 187.4 | 188.8 | 204.2 |
| Gov't purchase of goods and services, total.......do.... | 370.0 | 374.9 | 390.6 | 400.9 | 413.8 | 416.6 |
| Federal........................................... ${ }^{\text {do. }}$. | 134.2 | 136.3 | 143.6 | 148.1 | 153.8 | 152.7 |
|  | 88.4 | 89.7 | 93.4 | 95.6 | 98.5 | 99.5 |
| State and local..................................... ${ }^{\text {do... }}$. | 235.8 | 238.5 | 247.0 | 252.9 | 260.0 | 263.8 |


| ITEM | 1976 | 1977 |  |  |  | $\frac{1978}{\text { I r/ }}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | IV | I | II | III | IV |  |
| gENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORS--Con. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| NATIONAL INCOME AND PRODUCT--Con. <br> SEASONALLY ADJUSTED QUARTERLY TOTALS AT ANNUAL RATES--Con. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 1,402.1. | $1,450.2$ $1,109.9$ | 1,144.7 | 1,540.5 | 1,585.7 | 1,609.9 |
|  | 88.7 | 95.1 | 97.0 | 95.5 | 105.0 | 103.3 |
| Farm. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .do. | 16.6 | 20.7 | 19.7 | 15.5 | 22.7 | 20.2 |
| Nonfarm. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . do. do. | 72.0 | 74.3 | 77.3 | 80.0 | 82.4 | 83.1 |
| Rental income of persons with capital consumption adjustment. | 24.1 | 24.5 | 24.9 | 25.5 | 26.4 | 26.9 |
| Corp. profits with inventory valuation and capital consumption adjustments, total. | 123.1 | 125.4 | 140.2 | 149.0 | 144.8 | 126.5 |
| Profits before tax, total........................ do.... | 154.8 | 161.7 | 174.0 | 172.8 | 178.3 | 171.9 |
| Profits after tax.................. . . . . . . . . . . do. | 90.9 | 97.2 | 104.3 | 103.6 | 105.0 | 102.4 |
| Inventory valuation adjustment..................do. | -16.9 | -20.6 | -17.8 | -5.9 | -14.1 | -24.8 |
| Capital consumption adjustment................... do.... | -14.8 | -15.6 | -15.9 | -17.9 | -19.4 | -20.6 |
| Net interest. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . do... . | 92.0 | 95.3 | 98.9 | 103.1 | 106.1 | 109.4 |
| PERSONAL INCOME, quarterly total......................d. ${ }^{\text {d }}$. | 1,432.2 | 1,476.8 | 1,517.2 | 1,549.8 | 1,603.0 | 1,638.8 |
| Less: Personal tax and nontax payments........... do.. | 209.5 | 224.4 | 224.8 | 226.1 | 234.7 | 236.6 |
| Equals: Disposable personal income................do.. | 1,222.6 | 1,252.4 | 1,292.5 | 1,323.8 | 1,368.3 | 1,402.1 |
| Less: Personal outlays.............................. do. | 1,166.3 | 1,201.0 | 1,223.9 | 1,250.5 | 1,292.2 | 1,316.5 |
| Equals: Personal saving............................. . do. | 56.3 | 51.4 | 68.5 | 73.3 | 76.1 | 85.7 |
|  | 1977 |  | 1978 |  |  |  |
| PERSONAL INCOME, BY SOURCE: <br> SEASONALLY ADJUSTED, AT ANNUAL RATES: <br> Total personal income.............................................. $\$$. | Apr. | May | Feb. | Mar. | Apr. | May |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 1,510.1 | 1,517.3 | 1,634.5 | r1,656.6 | rl,677.9 | 1,693.3 |
| Wage and salary disbursements, total.............. do. | 974.1 | 982.0 | 1,055.6 | r1,074.0 | r1,091.5 | 1,098.0 |
| Commodity-producing industries, total...........do. | 341.7 | 345.3 | 368.9 | r378.7 | r388.1 | 391.0 |
| Manufacturing. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . do. | 262.8 | 266.2 | 287.7 | r294.3 | r296.3 | 297.9 |
| Distributive industries........................... do. | 239.6 | 241.1 | 260.3 | r264.9 | r269.0 | 269.8 |
| Service industries....... . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . do | 196.4 | 198.3 | 216.4 | r220.0 | r223.2 | 225.1 |
| Government and nongovernment enterprises....... do. | 196.4 | 197.2 | 210.0 | 210.4 | r211.2 | 212.1 |
| Other labor income. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . do | 85.5 | 86.7 | 97.7 | 99.0 | r100.2 | 101.4 |
| Proprietors' income: i/ ${ }^{\text {Farm........................................ }{ }^{\text {do }} \text {. }}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 20.9 | 19.8 | 19.0 | 18.5 | r19.1 | 21.7 |
| Nonfarm. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . do. | 76.9 | 77.2 | 83.0 | r84.3 | r85.5 | 85.5 |
| Rental income of persons with capital consumption adjustment. | 24.3 | 24.8 | 26.9 | 27.0 | r26.9 | 27.0 |
| Dividends. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . do | 39.3 | 39.6 | 43.8 | 44.0 | 44.4 | 45.1 |
| Personal interest income. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . do. | 143.5 | 145.2 | 160.2 | r161.2 | r163.5 | 165.5 |
| Transfer payments . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . do.... | 206.0 | 202.9 | 215.5 | r216.7 | r216.4 | 218.3 |
| Less personal contrib. for social insurance.......do.... | 60.6 | 60.9 | 67.4 | 68.2 | 69.1 | 69.3 |
| Total nonfarm income. ................................ do... . | 1,475.3 | 1,483.5 | 1,600.0 | r1,622.5 | rl,643.1 | 1,655.8 |
| MANUFACTURERS' SHIPMENTS: 2/ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Value (not seasonally adjusted): |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Durable goods industries, total...................mil. \$.. | 58,640 | 59,009 | 62,766 | 67,473 | r68,379 | 67,509 |
| Primary metals...................................... . . . do.... | 9,067 | 9,084 | 9,515 | 9,957 | r10,252 | 10,138 |
| Transportation equipment. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . do.... . | 14,377 | 14,825 | 15,313 | 16,675 | r17,087 | 16,753 |
| Value (seasonally adjusted) : |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Durable goods industries, total......................do. | 56,999 | 57,273 | 63,077 | 64,457 | r66,493 | 65,572 |
| Primary metals........................ . . . . . . . . . . . . do. | 8,687 | 8,665 | 9,591 | 9,310 | r9, 824 | 9,677 |
| Transportation equipment......... . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . do. | 13,692 | 14,058 | 15,176 | 15,676 | r16,288 | 15,892 |
| Supplementary series: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Household durables. | 3,508 | 3,483 | 3,951 | 4,296 | r4, $\mathbf{r a y}$ | 4,259 |
|  | 16,583 | 16,861 | 18,459 | 18,978 | r19,536 | 19,074 |
| Nondefense $\qquad$ do | 14,088 | 14,250 | 15,690 | 16,095 | r16,298 | 16,380 |
| Defense................ . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . do. . . . | 2,495 | 2,611 | 2,769 | 2,883 | r2,938 | 2,694 |
| MANUFACTURERS' ORDERS: 2/ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| New orders, net (not Seasonally adjusted): <br> Durable goods industries, total............................... | 60,407 | 59,555 | 66,343 | 71,712 | r71,890 | 70,167 |
| New orders, net (seasonally adjusted) : . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . ${ }_{\text {do }}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 58,800 | 58,835 | 66,681 | 69,016 | r70,033 | 69,473 |
| Primary metals................................... . . . . do.... | 8,661 | 8,889 | 9,946 | 10,228 | r10,308 | 10,717 |
| Transportation equipment............................ do.... | 15,115 | 14,552 | 16,392 | 18,085 | r17,721 | 17,509 |
| Supplementary series: | 3,575 | 3,577 | 3,998 | 4,262 | r4,513 | 4,186 |
| Capital goods industries............................ do..... | 17,966 | 17,781 | 20,538 | 21,992 | r21,440 | 21,744 |
| Nondefense . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . do. . . . | 14,687 | 14,893 | 17,882 | 17,507 | r17,409 | 17,797 |
| Defense................................... . . . . . . . do... . | 3,279 | 2,888 | 2,656 | 4,485 | r4,031 | 3,947 |
| Unfilled orders, end of month (unadjusted): | 171,448 | 171,994 | 191,804 | 196,039 | r199,549 | 202,208 |
| Unfilled orders, end of month (seasonaliy adjusted) : |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Durable goods industries, total................................ Primary metals. | 171,739 17,296 | 173,301 17,520 | 191,798 19,948 | 196,359 20,866 | r199, r21, r | 203,794 22,390 |
|  | 17,296 54,506 | 17,520 55,000 | 19,948 62,072 | 20,866 64,480 | r21,349 $\mathbf{r 6 5 , 9 1 5}$ | 22,390 67,530 |

r/ Revised. 1/ With inventory valuation and capital consumption adjustment. 2/ Data for May 1978 are advance estimates. 44287

\begin{tabular}{|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|}
\hline \multirow[t]{2}{*}{ITEM} \& \multicolumn{2}{|c|}{1977} \& \multicolumn{4}{|c|}{1978} \\
\hline \& Apr. \& May \& Feb. \& Mar. \& Apr. \& May \\
\hline CONSTRUCTION AND REAL ESTATE \& \& \& \& \& \& \\
\hline \multicolumn{7}{|l|}{NEW HOUSING UNITS STARTED:} \\
\hline Unadjusted: \& \& \& \& \& \& \\
\hline Total (private and public)...........................thous.. \& 182.4 \& 201.3 \& 101.3 \& r172.3 \& r199.1 \& 212.8 \\
\hline Privately owned. ................................... \({ }^{\text {do.... }}\) \& 182.2 \& 201.3 \& 101.3 \& r172.1 \& r199.1 \& 212.8 \\
\hline One-family structures............... . . . . . . . . . . . . do.. . . \& 138.8 \& 152.2 \& 72.8 \& r121.4 \& r140.8 \& 155.9 \\
\hline \multicolumn{7}{|l|}{Seasonally adjusted at annual rates:} \\
\hline Total privately owned..................................d. \({ }^{\text {do... }}\) \& 1,899 \& 1,982 \& 1,569 \& r2,047 \& r2,181 \& 2,075 \\
\hline One-family structures.............................. . . do.... \& 1,433 \& 1,469 \& 1,103 \& r1,429 \& r1,500 \& 1,488 \\
\hline \multicolumn{7}{|l|}{NEW PRIVATE HOUSING UNITS AUTHORIZED BY BUILDING PERMITS (14,000 permit-issuing places):} \\
\hline Total.................................................... \({ }^{\text {do.... }}\) \& 1,655 \& 1,656 \& 1,534 \& 1,647 \& rl, 740 \& 1,587 \\
\hline One-family structures................................. . \({ }^{\text {do. . . . }}\) \& 1,088 \& 1,099 \& 957 \& 1,037 \& r1,157 \& 1,057 \\
\hline MANUFACTURERS' SHIPMENTS OF MOBILE HOMES:
Unadjusted............................................ do.... \& 24.2 \& 24.9 \& 18.7 \& 24.5 \& 23.1 \& \\
\hline Seasonally adjusted at annual rates...................d.do.... \& 252 \& 251 \& 265 \& 284 \& 252 \& ..... \\
\hline \multicolumn{7}{|l|}{\begin{tabular}{l}
New mortgage loans of all savings and loan associations, estimated total. \\
........... \\
r9,419 8,976 \\
.....
\end{tabular}} \\
\hline \multicolumn{7}{|l|}{By purpose of loan:} \\
\hline Home construction..................................... . do... \& 1,757 \& 1,918 \& 1,365 \& r2,113 \& 1,988 \& ..... \\
\hline Home purchase . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . do. . . \& 5,424 \& 6,019 \& 4,022 \& r5,502 \& 5,244 \& ..... \\
\hline All other purposes....................................d. \({ }^{\text {d }}\)... \& 1,782 \& 1,859 \& 1,442 \& r1, 804 \& 1,744 \&  \\
\hline \multicolumn{7}{|l|}{TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT} \\
\hline \multicolumn{7}{|l|}{Trucks (new), retail sales and inventories, seasonally adj.: Retail sales:} \\
\hline  \& 256.7
14.6 \& 245.5
14.3 \& 276.6
13.3 \& r

16.3 \& 337.1
15.6 \& \\
\hline Heavy-duty, 26,001 lbs. and over GVW..................d. do... \& 14.1 \& 14.7 \& 14.7 \& 18.3 \& 18.2 \& ..... \\
\hline Retail inventories, end of period......................d..... \& 572.9 \& 589.1 \& 713.4 \& 715.1 \& 686.6 \& \\
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\end{tabular}

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