



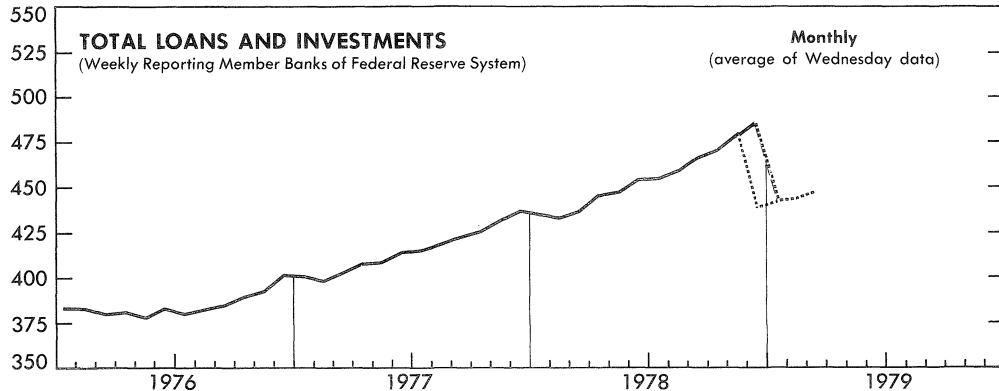
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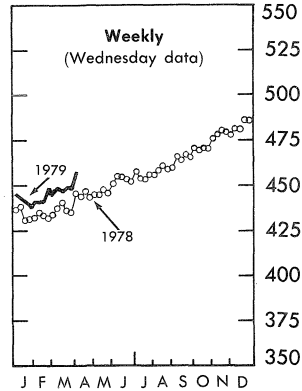
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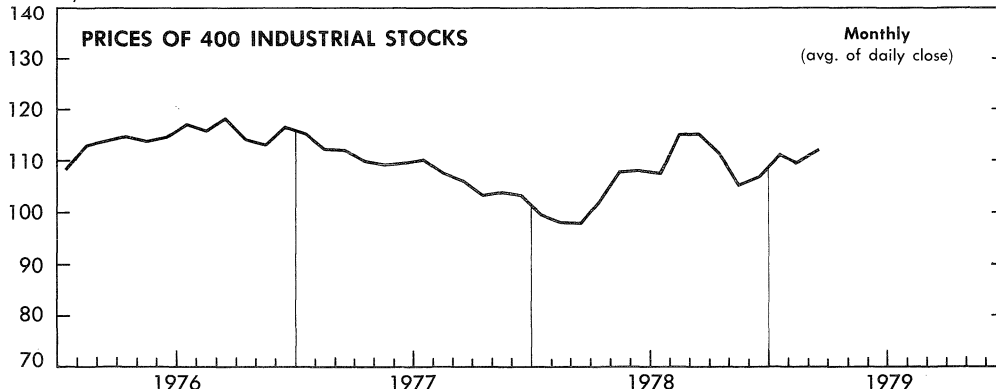


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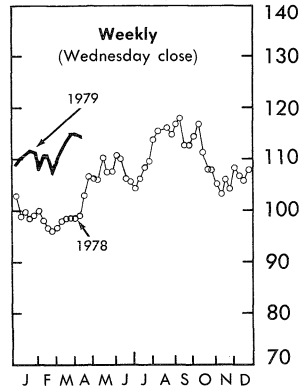


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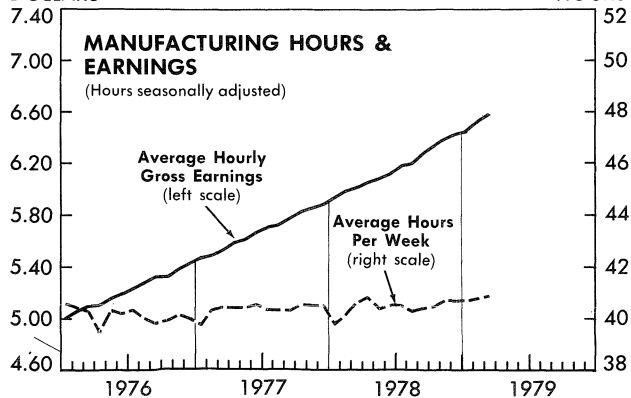


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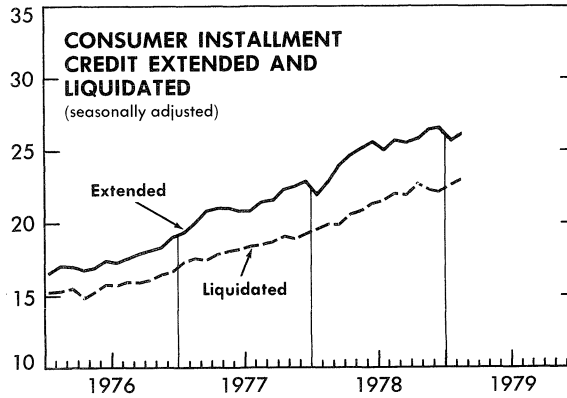


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ITEM	1978		1979			
	Apr. 8	Apr. 15	Mar. 24	Mar. 31	Apr. 7	Apr. 14
SPOT MARKET PRICES, 22 COMMODITIES ^{2/}1967=100..	228.2	229.2	279.9	277.7	276.1	276.3
9 Foodstuffs.....do.....	239.9	241.2	266.7	256.0	252.6	251.1
13 Raw industrials.....do.....	220.3	221.2	289.3	293.6	293.4	295.1
INITIAL UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIMS, State programs.....thous..	338	280	296	300	449	.....
INSURED UNEMPLOYMENT, all programs.....do.....	2,845	2,706	2,844	2,734	.....	.....
State programs (50 states, D.C., and Puerto Rico).....do....	2,549	2,425	2,663	2,557	.....	.....
FAILURES, INDUST. AND COMMERCIAL (Dun & Bradstreet).....number..	144	158	191	179	142	193
FINANCE:						
Currency in circulation ^{3/}.....mil. \$..	102,655	103,389	111,888	111,757	112,329	e113,363
Federal Reserve bank, credit outstanding, total ^{3/}.....do....	116,520	114,241	127,097	125,968	126,456	125,639
Member bank reserve balances.....do.....	36,566	35,904	40,537	39,934	40,462	39,513
Excess reserves, estimated ^{3/}.....do.....	275	-12	188	78	416	208
Assets and liabilities of large commercial banks: ^{4/}						
Demand deposits, adjusted.....do.....	114,711	116,375	98,941	97,101	100,527	.....
Savings deposits.....do.....	94,490	94,054	76,557	76,831	77,606	.....
Loans and investments, gross adjusted, total.....do....	445,536	443,442	448,973	447,191	457,480	.....
U.S. Government obligations.....do.....	46,405	46,698	37,311	36,939	40,154	.....
Commercial and industrial loans (gross).....do.....	129,560	129,974	134,803	135,918	137,117	.....
Real estate loans (gross).....do.....	76,938	77,239	83,122	83,274	83,371	.....
Bond yields, domestic corporate (Moody's) ^{3/}.....percent..	8.85	8.87	9.78	9.77	9.76	9.78
Stock prices, 500 stocks (Stand. & Poor's) ^{4/} ...1941-43=10..	89.64	90.11	101.25	102.12	102.65	102.31
Industrial, 400 stocks.....do.....	98.56	99.08	113.03	114.03	114.63	114.10
PRODUCTION:						
Bituminous coal.....thous. sh. tons..	14,075	15,065	15,145	15,445	13,995	.....
Electric power, by utilities.....mil. kw.-hr..	37,465	37,266	40,576	41,260	40,991	.....
Motor vehicles (passenger cars).....number..	216,228	213,455	198,023	204,467	137,442	119,984
Petroleum (crude) and condensate ^{3/}.....thous. bbl..	9,012	9,012	8,691	8,691	8,713	.....
Steel, raw.....thous. sh. tons..	2,560	2,679	2,835	2,845	2,833	2,850
Rate of capability utilization ^{5/}.....percent..	84.2	88.2	94.4	94.7	83.0	93.6
RAIL FREIGHT, REVENUE TON-MILES.....bil..	16.9	17.6	17.3	17.6	17.2	.....

^{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	1978			1979		
	Feb. ^{r/}	Mar. ^{r/}	Dec. ^{r/}	Jan. ^{r/}	Feb. ^{r/}	Mar.
DOMESTIC TRADE						
RETAIL TRADE, ALL RETAIL STORES:						
ESTIMATED SALES (UNADJUSTED), TOTAL ^{1/}.....mil. \$..	53,612	64,764	84,597	61,878	60,607	71,933
Durable goods stores.....do.....	17,936	22,777	25,872	21,100	21,043	26,226
Bldg. materials, hardware, garden supply, and mobile home dealers.....do.....	2,461	3,170	3,560	2,873	2,720	3,580
Automotive dealers.....do.....	11,119	14,560	12,452	12,805	12,940	16,388
Furn., home furn. and equip.....do.....	2,539	2,902	4,216	2,959	2,877	3,351
Nondurable goods stores.....do.....	35,676	41,987	58,725	40,778	39,564	45,707
General merch. group stores.....do.....	5,524	7,366	15,784	5,946	5,921	7,704
Department stores.....do.....	4,424	5,894	12,635	4,747	4,682	6,132
Food stores.....do.....	12,792	14,529	16,690	14,944	14,206	16,180
Grocery stores.....do.....	11,892	13,482	15,243	13,769	13,024	14,780
Gasoline service stations.....do.....	4,404	4,906	5,318	5,059	4,912	5,358
Apparel and accessory stores.....do.....	2,151	2,940	5,698	2,689	2,402	3,082
Eating and drinking places.....do.....	4,734	5,579	6,141	5,389	5,414	6,364
Drug and proprietary stores.....do.....	1,847	2,070	3,040	2,139	2,059	2,253
ESTIMATED SALES (SEAS. ADJ.), TOTAL ^{1/}.....do....	62,898	64,075	70,918	70,855	71,097	71,821
Durable goods stores.....do.....	21,244	21,813	25,163	25,250	24,949	25,620
Bldg. mat., hdwre, garden supply, etc. dealers.....do....	3,324	3,397	4,009	3,956	3,694	3,895
Automotive dealers.....do.....	12,689	13,132	14,558	15,011	14,753	15,118
Furn., home furn. and equip.....do.....	2,934	2,924	3,307	3,337	3,326	3,430
Nondurable goods stores.....do.....	41,654	42,262	45,755	45,605	46,148	46,201
General merch. group stores.....do.....	7,815	7,952	8,716	8,402	8,370	8,442
Department stores.....do.....	6,338	6,420	6,897	6,791	6,708	6,753
Food stores.....do.....	14,070	14,177	15,284	15,659	15,630	15,581
Grocery stores.....do.....	13,054	13,153	13,984	14,358	14,296	14,198
Gasoline service stations.....do.....	5,005	4,996	5,292	5,353	5,582	5,434
Apparel and accessory stores.....do.....	2,862	3,983	3,376	3,273	3,195	3,365
Eating and drinking places.....do.....	5,563	5,787	6,184	6,041	6,362	6,554
Drug and proprietary stores.....do.....	2,023	2,050	2,232	2,278	2,258	2,264

^{r/} Revised.

ITEM	1978			1979		
	Feb.	Mar.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.
LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT AND EARNINGS						
LABOR FORCE, total, persons 16 years of age and over						
not seasonally adjusted.....thous..	100,048	100,565	103,740	102,961	103,343	103,755
Civilian labor force.....do....	97,924	98,443	101,632	100,867	101,249	101,665
Employed, total.....do....	91,185	91,964	95,906	94,436	94,765	95,501
Agriculture.....do....	2,771	2,913	2,990	2,762	2,796	2,925
Nonagricultural industries.....do....	88,413	89,051	92,916	91,673	91,969	92,576
Unemployed.....do....	6,739	6,479	5,725	6,431	6,484	6,165
Civilian labor force seasonally adjusted.....do....	99,139	99,435	101,867	102,183	102,527	102,714
Employed, total.....do....	93,047	93,282	95,855	96,300	96,647	96,842
Agriculture.....do....	3,280	3,334	3,387	3,232	3,311	3,343
Nonagricultural industries.....do....	89,767	89,948	92,468	93,068	93,335	93,499
Unemployed.....do....	6,092	6,153	6,012	5,883	5,881	5,871
Long-term-15 weeks and over.....do....	1,559	1,488	1,208	1,251	1,260	1,305
EMPLOYEES ON PAYROLL OF NONAGRIC. ESTAB., SEAS. ADJ.....do....	84,188	84,726	87,281	r87,524	r87,832	p88,156
Private sector.....do....	68,838	69,291	71,810	r72,063	r72,370	p72,661
Nonmanufacturing industries.....do....	48,699	49,061	51,081	r51,238	r51,468	p51,689
Goods-producing.....do....	24,724	24,927	26,030	r26,111	r26,201	p26,343
Mining.....do....	684	904	904	r904	r916	p917
Contract construction.....do....	3,901	3,999	4,397	r4,381	r4,383	p4,454
Manufacturing.....do....	20,139	20,230	20,729	r20,825	r20,902	p20,972
Durable goods.....do....	11,986	12,041	12,491	r12,562	r12,656	p12,712
Nondurable goods.....do....	8,153	8,189	8,238	r8,263	r8,246	p8,260
Service-producing.....do....	59,464	59,799	61,251	r61,413	r61,631	p61,813
Transportation, communication, elec., gas, etc.....do....	4,782	4,817	4,967	r4,974	r5,004	p5,031
Wholesale and retail trade.....do....	19,071	19,169	19,697	r19,817	r19,910	p19,999
Wholesale trade.....do....	4,828	4,854	4,995	r5,020	r5,033	p5,056
Retail trade.....do....	14,243	14,315	14,702	r14,797	r14,877	p14,943
Finance, insurance, and real estate.....do....	4,591	4,605	4,789	r4,809	4,828	p4,844
Services.....do....	15,670	15,773	16,327	r16,352	r16,427	p16,444
Government.....do....	15,350	15,435	15,471	r15,461	r15,462	p15,495
Federal.....do....	2,736	2,739	2,734	r2,755	r2,755	p2,755
State and local.....do....	12,614	12,696	12,737	r12,706	r12,707	p12,740
Goods-producing.....do....	117.1	119.1	122.9	r122.6	r123.3	p124.3
Mining.....do....	100.9	103.6	109.1	r108.7	r109.2	p110.5
Contract construction.....do....	106.8	111.3	149.1	r149.2	r148.3	p148.1
Manufacturing.....do....	104.2	111.5	126.5	r120.6	r122.3	p127.7
Durable goods.....do....	100.1	102.0	104.6	r105.1	r105.5	p106.2
Nondurable goods.....do....	101.9	103.9	108.3	r108.8	r109.8	p110.5
Service-producing.....do....	128.4	129.8	132.5	r132.3	r133.1	p134.0
Transportation, communication, electricity, gas, etc.....do....	107.7	109.1	110.3	r111.2	r111.3	p113.0
Wholesale and retail trade.....do....	124.2	125.9	128.7	r127.6	r128.6	p129.5
Retail trade.....do....	124.4	126.1	128.8	r127.3	r128.4	p129.3
Finance, insurance, and real estate.....do....	135.1	135.4	140.9	r141.7	r142.0	p141.4
Services.....do....	141.8	143.3	145.4	r145.8	r146.9	p147.6
Indexes of aggregate weekly employee-hours (prod. workers):						
Private nonagric. payrolls, total, (seas. adj.)..1967=100..	117.1	119.1	122.9	r122.6	r123.3	p124.3
Goods-producing.....do....	100.9	103.6	109.1	r108.7	r109.2	p110.5
Mining.....do....	106.8	111.3	149.1	r149.2	r148.3	p148.1
Contract construction.....do....	104.2	111.5	126.5	r120.6	r122.3	p127.7
Manufacturing.....do....	100.1	102.0	104.6	r105.1	r105.5	p106.2
Durable goods.....do....	101.9	103.9	108.3	r108.8	r109.8	p110.5
Service-producing.....do....	128.4	129.8	132.5	r132.3	r133.1	p134.0
Transportation, communication, electricity, gas, etc.....do....	107.7	109.1	110.3	r111.2	r111.3	p113.0
Wholesale and retail trade.....do....	124.2	125.9	128.7	r127.6	r128.6	p129.5
Retail trade.....do....	124.4	126.1	128.8	r127.3	r128.4	p129.3
Finance, insurance, and real estate.....do....	135.1	135.4	140.9	r141.7	r142.0	p141.4
Services.....do....	141.8	143.3	145.4	r145.8	r146.9	p147.6
Indexes of average hourly earnings, seasonally adjusted:						
Private nonfarm economy (prod. or nonsupervisory workers):						
Current dollars.....do....	206.6	208.3	220.7	r222.6	r223.7	p225.4
1967 dollars.....do....	109.4	109.5	108.6	r108.5	r107.7	.....
Mining.....do....	221.0	222.5	249.1	r251.7	r254.3	p253.8
Contract construction.....do....	200.1	203.0	212.5	r213.4	r216.1	p217.3
Manufacturing.....do....	209.4	211.0	224.1	r225.4	r227.1	p229.1
Transportation, communication, elec., gas., etc.....do....	224.9	225.6	238.3	r238.9	239.0	p240.6
Wholesale and retail trade.....do....	199.7	201.5	214.6	r217.8	r218.4	p220.0
Finance, insurance, and real estate.....do....	187.3	188.9	202.0	r202.3	r203.9	p205.2
Services.....do....	206.8	208.7	218.9	r221.7	r222.0	p223.9
FINANCE						
CONSUMER INSTALLMENT CREDIT						
Total extended and liquidated:						
Unadjusted:						
Extended.....mil. \$..	18,959	24,611	27,478	22,608	21,797	.....
Liquidated.....do....	18,538	21,318	21,283	22,902	21,325	.....
Seasonally adjusted:						
Extended, total 1/.....do....	22,758	23,925	26,500	25,544	26,202	.....
By major holder:						
Commercial banks.....do....	10,792	11,382	12,521	12,153	12,430	.....
Finance companies.....do....	3,698	3,857	4,679	4,547	4,822	.....
Credit unions.....do....	3,086	3,282	3,526	3,241	3,238	.....
Retailers.....do....	3,232	3,438	3,612	3,565	3,460	.....
By major credit type:						
Automobile.....do....	6,730	7,043	7,833	7,545	7,756	.....
Revolving.....do....	8,147	8,398	9,424	9,417	9,357	.....
Mobile home.....do....	405	493	502	369	454	.....
Liquidated, total 1/.....do....	19,896	19,849	22,100	22,483	22,894	.....
By major holder:						
Commercial banks.....do....	9,149	9,169	10,441	10,823	10,800	.....
Finance companies.....do....	3,147	3,178	3,581	3,206	3,617	.....
Credit unions.....do....	2,457	2,517	2,753	2,881	2,836
Retailers.....do....	3,427	3,228	3,416	3,655	3,681

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ITEM	1978			1979		
	Feb.	Mar.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.
FINANCE--Con.						
CONSUMER INSTALLMENT CREDIT--Con.						
Total extended and liquidated--Con.						
Seasonally adjusted--Con.						
Liquidated--Con.						
By type of credit:						
Automobile.....mil. \$..	5,397	5,409	6,053	5,865	6,191	.....
Revolving.....do.....	7,698	7,566	8,555	8,984	9,040	.....
Mobile home.....do.....	389	398	431	329	398	.....
Total outstanding, end of year or month.....do....	230,547	233,842	275,640	275,346	275,818	.....
By major holder: <u>1/</u>						
Commercial banks.....do....	113,205	115,050	136,189	136,452	136,671	.....
Finance companies.....do....	45,099	45,608	54,309	55,004	55,728	.....
Credit unions.....do.....	37,758	38,724	45,939	45,526	45,661	.....
Retailers.....do.....	21,869	21,639	24,876	23,962	23,246	.....
By type of credit: <u>1/</u>						
Automobile.....do.....	83,826	85,757	102,468	102,890	103,780	.....
Revolving.....do.....	38,143	38,034	47,051	46,516	45,586	.....
Mobile home.....do.....	15,070	15,149	16,042	16,004	16,008	.....
FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS, CONDITION, END OF MONTH:						
Assets, total.....do....	134,500	136,643	153,151	147,138	r147,749	151,683
Reserve bank credit outstanding, total.....do....	110,235	113,604	123,488	119,730	r121,207	124,177
Time loans.....do.....	304	332	1,174	4,366	r1,603	964
U.S. Government securities.....do.....	98,450	101,577	110,562	101,279	103,486	110,940
Gold certificate account.....do.....	11,718	11,718	11,671	11,592	11,544	11,479
Liabilities, total.....do....	134,500	136,643	153,151	147,138	r147,749	151,683
Deposits, total.....do....	30,805	33,697	36,972	34,666	r34,288	38,352
Member-bank reserve balances.....do.....	26,047	27,900	31,152	29,931	r29,723	31,615
Federal Reserve notes in circulation.....do....	90,703	91,666	103,325	99,354	99,999	100,654

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