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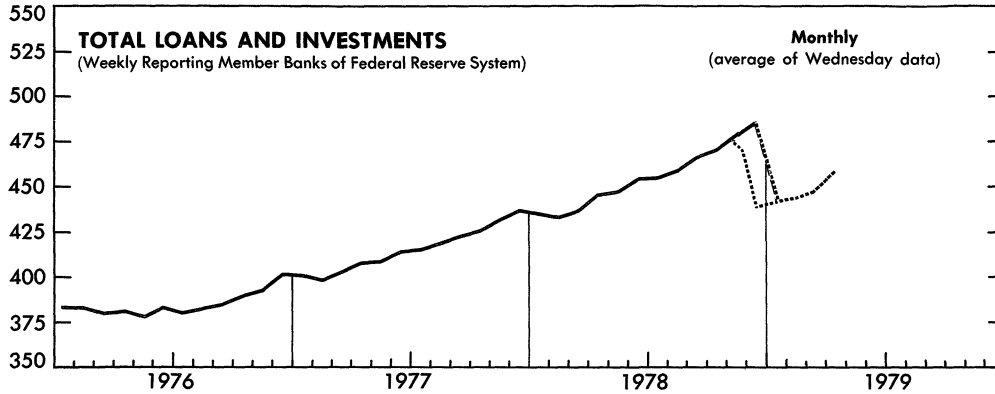


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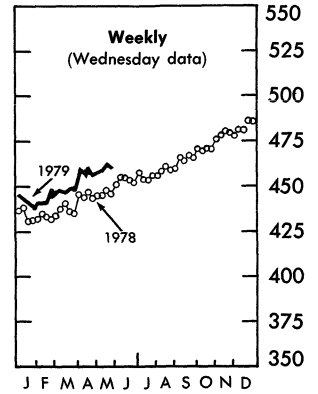
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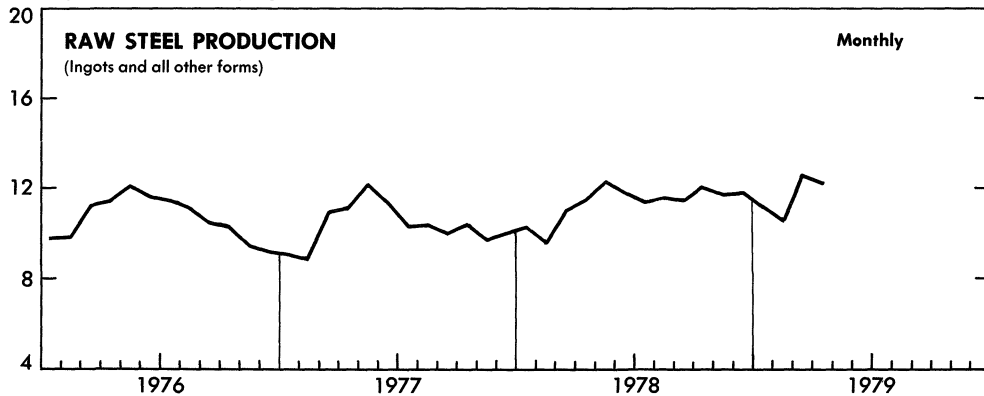


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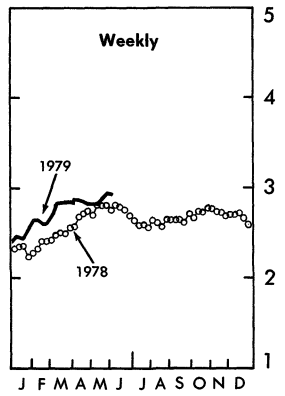


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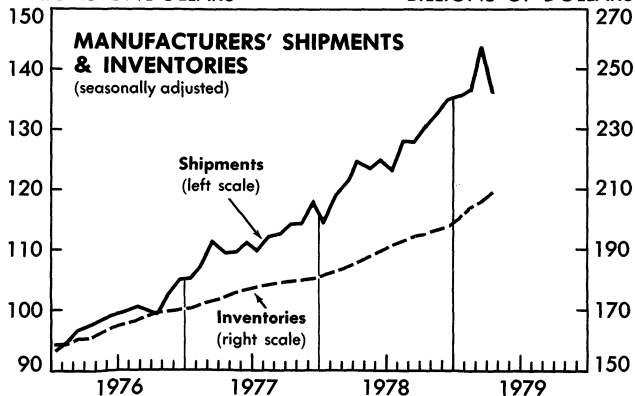


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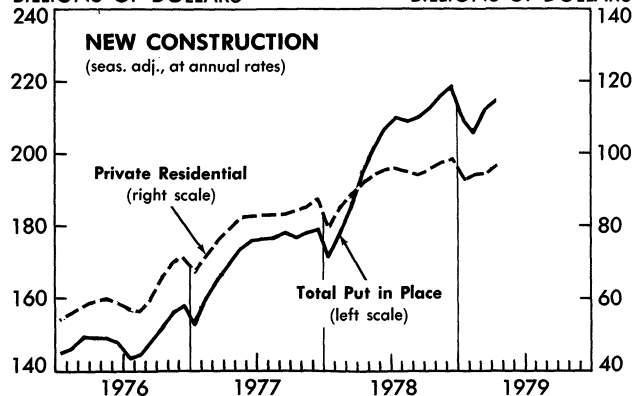


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ITEM	1978		1979			
	May 27	June 3	May 12	May 19	May 26	June 2
SPOT MARKET PRICES, 22 COMMODITIES ^{2/}1967=100..	229.4	232.0	276.3	276.2	278.1	277.6
9 Foodstuffs.....do.....	245.9	250.2	255.0	253.6	255.5	254.5
13 Raw industrials.....do.....	218.5	220.1	291.9	292.9	294.7	294.6
INITIAL UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIMS, State programs.....thous..	256	243	291	280	287	.....
INSURED UNEMPLOYMENT, all programs.....do.....	2,267	2,352	2,292	2,224	.....	.....
State programs (50 States, D.C., and Puerto Rico).....do....	1,935	2,011	2,129	2,073	.....	.....
FAILURES, INDUST. AND COMMERCIAL (Dun & Bradstreet).....number..	157	84	133	146	187	93
FINANCE:						
Currency in circulation ^{3/}.....mil. \$..	104,368	104,818	113,885	114,363	114,210	e114,657
Federal Reserve bank credit outstanding, total ^{3/}.....do....	117,204	116,703	128,443	128,325	127,976	128,560
Member bank reserve balances ^{3/}.....do.....	36,465	36,928	40,640	40,634	39,679	39,732
Excess reserves, estimated ^{3/}.....do.....	247	399	101	243	68	147
Assets and liabilities of large commercial banks: ^{4/}						
Demand deposits, adjusted.....do.....	110,776	113,822	99,644	99,779	98,223	.....
Savings deposits.....do.....	93,477	93,405	76,556	76,594	76,626	.....
Loans and investments, gross adjusted, total.....do....	445,712	450,947	458,895	460,823	459,577	.....
U.S. Government obligations.....do.....	43,113	43,425	36,455	37,112	37,251	.....
Commercial and industrial loans (gross).....do....	132,431	134,601	140,469	140,564	140,217	.....
Real estate loans (gross).....do.....	78,940	79,156	84,727	85,502	85,694	.....
Bond yields, domestic corporate (Moody's) ^{5/}.....percent..	9.07	9.12	9.96	9.98	9.98	9.94
Stock prices, 500 stocks (Stand. & Poor's) ^{4/}.....1941-43=10..	97.08	97.24	99.46	98.42	99.89	99.11
Industrial, 400 stocks.....do.....	107.38	107.51	111.09	109.74	111.21	110.23
PRODUCTION:						
Bituminous coal.....thous. sh. tons..	15,470	14,030	15,465	15,880	16,415	.....
Electric power, by utilities.....mil. kw.-hr..	40,944	41,488	41,605	40,768	40,818	.....
Motor vehicles (passenger cars).....number..	202,517	169,378	212,835	215,259	196,123	177,531
Petroleum (crude) and condensate ^{3/}.....thous. bbl..	8,839	8,918	8,633	8,633	8,633	.....
Steel, raw.....thous. sh. tons..	2,805	2,749	2,809	2,869	2,933	2,919
Rate of capability utilization ^{5/}.....percent..	92.3	90.5	92.2	94.2	96.3	95.8
RAIL FREIGHT, REVENUE TON-MILES.....bil..	18.2	16.3	17.9	18.8	19.1	.....

^{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			
	Mar.	Apr.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar. ^{r/}	Apr.
GENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORS						
MANUFACTURERS' SHIPMENTS:						
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED, TOTAL.....mil. \$..	125,225	127,014	124,876	137,251	148,885	138,525
Durable goods industries, total.....do.....	67,473	68,379	66,453	74,014	81,633	r74,187
Stone, clay, and glass products.....do.....	3,449	3,706	3,147	3,386	3,989	3,920
Primary metals.....do.....	9,957	10,252	10,351	11,653	13,122	r10,964
Fabricated metal products.....do.....	7,919	8,184	7,951	8,740	9,961	8,883
Machinery, except electrical.....do.....	11,860	11,685	11,429	13,336	14,367	13,398
Electrical machinery.....do.....	8,175	8,119	8,134	9,108	9,568	8,914
Transportation equipment.....do.....	16,675	17,087	16,917	18,028	19,809	r17,562
Instruments and related products.....do....	2,661	2,522	2,458	2,714	2,971	2,807
Nondurable goods industries, total ^{1/}.....do....	57,752	58,635	58,423	63,237	67,252	64,338
Foods and kindred products.....do.....	17,694	17,539	17,750	19,309	20,158	19,087
Tobacco products.....do.....	876	903	991	882	985	954
Textile mill products.....do.....	3,691	3,912	3,519	3,637	4,077	3,759
Paper and allied products.....do.....	4,775	4,759	4,737	5,379	5,639	5,453
Chemicals and allied products.....do.....	11,010	11,434	10,782	11,670	13,084	12,600
Petroleum and coal products.....do.....	8,019	8,207	9,052	9,598	9,907	9,614
Rubber and plastics products.....do.....	3,400	3,462	3,337	3,829	4,145	3,885
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED, TOTAL.....do.....	121,101	124,537	135,232	136,735	143,796	135,987
By industry group:						
Durable goods industries, total ^{1/}.....do....	64,457	66,493	73,253	74,229	77,742	r72,120
Stone, clay, and glass products.....do.....	3,396	3,657	3,667	3,682	3,928	3,868
Primary metals.....do.....	9,310	9,824	10,943	11,749	12,270	r10,494
Fabricated metal products.....do.....	7,848	8,013	8,755	8,893	9,878	8,699
Machinery, except electrical.....do.....	10,964	11,364	12,399	13,030	13,303	12,062
Electrical machinery.....do.....	7,979	8,119	8,922	8,970	9,345	8,917
Transportation equipment.....do.....	15,676	16,288	18,645	17,751	18,381	r16,660
Instruments and related products.....do....	2,630	2,569	2,706	2,811	2,935	2,858

^{r/} Revised. ^{1/} Includes data for "other industries" not shown.

ITEM	1978		1979			
	Mar.	Apr.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar. r/	Apr.
GENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORS--Con.						
MANUFACTURERS' SHIPMENTS (SEAS. ADJ.)--Con.						
By industry group--Con.						
Nondurable goods industries, total 1/.....mil. \$..	56,644	58,044	62,035	62,506	66,054	63,867
Food and kindred products.....do....	17,747	17,775	18,602	19,186	20,124	19,347
Tobacco products.....do....	898	928	1,038	r926	1,010	980
Textile mill products.....do....	3,486	3,976	3,869	3,646	3,848	3,818
Paper and allied products.....do....	4,719	4,750	4,954	5,294	5,575	5,437
Chemicals and allied products.....do....	10,277	10,537	11,590	11,434	12,300	11,795
Petroleum and coal products.....do....	8,158	8,239	9,140	9,372	10,082	9,651
Rubber and plastics products.....do....	3,226	3,314	3,653	3,778	3,935	3,724
INVENTORIES, END OF MONTH:						
Book value (unadjusted), total.....do....	185,448	186,844	202,454	205,505	207,135	209,951
Durable goods industries, total.....do....	119,969	120,963	132,131	135,133	136,674	139,081
Nondurable goods industries, total.....do....	65,479	65,881	70,323	70,372	70,461	70,870
Book value (seasonally adjusted), total.....do....	183,860	185,715	200,604	203,231	205,393	208,679
By industry group:						
Durable goods industries, total 1/.....do....	118,725	119,848	131,542	131,783	135,287	137,825
Stone, clay, and glass products.....do....	4,530	4,518	4,946	5,120	5,139	5,257
Primary metals.....do....	16,828	16,940	17,838	17,765	17,620	18,365
Fabricated metal products.....do....	15,573	15,874	17,063	17,384	17,746	17,984
Machinery, except electrical.....do....	27,400	27,757	31,454	31,855	32,458	32,830
Electrical machinery.....do....	16,023	16,188	17,565	17,653	18,079	18,338
Transportation equipment.....do....	22,127	22,264	24,848	25,830	25,715	26,425
Instruments and related products.....do....	6,087	6,104	6,746	6,932	7,179	7,277
Nondurable goods industries, total 1/.....do....	65,135	65,867	69,062	69,448	70,106	70,854
Food and kindred products.....do....	15,968	16,168	17,290	17,739	18,033	18,121
Tobacco products.....do....	3,405	3,465	3,614	3,502	3,545	3,575
Textile mill products.....do....	5,445	5,394	5,729	5,743	5,735	5,679
Paper and allied products.....do....	5,664	5,687	5,834	5,873	6,003	6,092
Chemicals and allied products.....do....	14,426	14,743	15,470	15,468	15,520	15,898
Petroleum and coal products.....do....	5,591	5,576	5,417	5,180	5,022	5,086
Rubber and plastics products.....do....	4,401	4,445	4,636	4,638	4,717	4,839
NEW ORDERS, NET (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED), TOTAL.....do....	129,668	130,899	132,794	145,510	154,835	143,918
Durable goods industries, total.....do....	71,712	71,890	74,457	81,730	87,696	r79,244
Nondurable goods industries, total.....do....	57,956	59,009	58,337	63,780	67,139	64,674
NEW ORDERS, NET (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED), TOTAL.....do....	125,801	128,175	142,679	144,894	150,215	141,090
By industry group:						
Durable goods industries, total 1/.....do....	69,016	70,033	80,732	82,007	84,344	r77,203
Primary metals.....do....	10,228	10,308	14,191	13,042	13,259	r11,783
Fabricated metal products.....do....	7,826	8,778	9,447	9,279	10,520	r9,170
Machinery, except electrical.....do....	11,573	11,536	13,527	13,517	15,541	r13,263
Electrical machinery.....do....	8,319	8,626	9,605	10,137	9,784	r9,493
Transportation equipment.....do....	18,085	17,721	20,121	22,340	20,446	r18,809
Nondurable goods industries, total.....do....	56,785	58,142	61,947	62,887	65,871	63,887
Industries with unfilled orders.....do....	12,412	12,880	13,078	13,697	13,754	13,953
Industries without unfilled orders.....do....	44,373	45,262	48,869	49,190	52,117	49,934
UNFILLED ORDERS, END OF MONTH (UNADJ.), TOTAL.....do....	205,248	209,132	248,407	256,668	262,617	268,013
Durable goods industries, total.....do....	196,039	199,549	238,332	246,051	252,114	257,176
Nondurable goods industries with unfilled orders.....do....	9,209	9,583	10,075	10,617	10,503	10,837
UNFILLED ORDERS, END OF MONTH (SEAS. ADJ.), TOTAL.....do....	205,500	209,133	248,266	r256,424	262,842	267,950
By industry group:						
Durable goods industries, total 1/.....do....	196,359	199,895	238,036	245,812	252,412	r257,501
Primary metals.....do....	20,866	21,349	29,465	30,758	31,748	r33,037
Fabricated metal products.....do....	24,213	24,976	26,698	27,083	27,726	r28,196
Machinery, except electrical.....do....	49,044	49,219	54,167	54,656	56,893	r57,097
Electrical machinery.....do....	27,526	28,031	31,097	32,262	32,701	r33,277
Transportation equipment.....do....	64,480	65,915	85,471	90,059	92,122	r94,273
Nondurable goods industries with unfilled orders.....do....	9,141	9,238	10,230	10,612	10,430	10,449
CONSTRUCTION AND REAL ESTATE						
NEW CONSTRUCTION PUT IN PLACE (UNADJ.), TOTAL.....mil. \$..						
Private, total.....do....	13,425	15,319	13,963	r13,264	15,412	16,867
Residential (incl. farm).....do....	10,823	12,159	11,105	r10,677	12,435	13,527
New housing units.....do....	6,264	7,252	6,003	r5,732	6,756	7,612
Nonresidential buildings, total 2/.....do....	5,174	5,669	4,884	r4,698	5,465	5,865
Industrial.....do....	2,463	2,672	2,811	2,793	3,328	3,434
Commercial.....do....	720	750	933	958	1,192	1,160
Public, total.....do....	1,242	1,365	1,397	1,361	1,586	1,689
Public, total.....do....	2,603	3,159	2,858	2,587	2,978	3,340
NEW CONSTRUCTION PUT IN PLACE (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED AT ANNUAL RATES), TOTAL.....bil. \$..						
Private, total.....do....	185.4	195.0	208.6	205.6	211.9	214.4
Residential (incl. farm).....do....	147.7	153.5	162.3	r163.9	168.7	170.4
New housing units.....do....	88.1	92.2	92.2	94.1	94.8	96.6
Nonresidential buildings, total 2/.....do....	72.5	74.4	74.6	r77.0	76.3	76.9
Industrial.....do....	31.8	33.2	38.4	38.2	42.9	42.6
Commercial.....do....	9.2	9.2	12.5	13.0	15.2	14.3
Public, total.....do....	16.2	17.2	19.3	18.8	20.6	21.2
Public, total.....do....	37.7	41.5	46.3	41.8	43.2	44.1

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ITEM	1978		1979			
	Mar.	Apr.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.
CONSTRUCTION AND REAL ESTATE--Con.						
CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS IN 50 STATES (F.W. DODGE):						
TOTAL VALUATION.....mil. \$..	12,345	13,189	10,716	14,166	13,947	15,396
Index (seasonally adjusted).....1972=100..	153	169	181	231	186	187
Buildings, total.....mil. \$..	9,568	10,325	8,420	8,044	11,097	10,229
By type of building:						
Nonresidential.....do....	3,429	3,470	3,952	3,412	4,227	4,260
Residential.....do....	6,139	6,854	4,468	4,632	6,870	5,969
Non-building construction.....do....	2,776	2,864	2,296	6,122	2,850	5,167
CONSTRUCTION COST INDEXES:						
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE COMPOSITE.....1972=100..	164.8	169.2	187.1	188.3	189.0	189.2
FOREIGN TRADE						
EXPORTS (MDSE.), INCL. REEXPORTS, TOTAL.....mil. \$..						
Excl. Department of Defense Shipments.....do....	12,079.4	12,069.7	12,561.3	12,932.5	15,586.7	14,267.3
Seasonally adjusted.....do....	12,074.2	12,064.2	12,558.1	12,928.5	15,584.4	14,257.0
Seasonally adjusted.....do....	11,146.5	11,630.4	13,131.8	13,506.8	14,452.0	13,882.6
By commodity groups and principal commodities:						
Food and live animals.....do....	1,465.7	1,472.8	1,313.3	1,314.3	1,581.0	1,528.1
Beverages and tobacco.....do....	213.6	144.3	135.4	171.2	223.2	202.3
Crude materials, inedible, exc. fuels.....do....	1,337.5	1,388.6	1,550.4	1,513.5	1,837.5	1,668.0
Mineral fuels, lubricants, etc.....do....	165.2	284.5	350.2	292.0	435.7	467.0
Oils and fats, animal and vegetable.....do....	141.5	145.4	145.8	173.2	171.3	129.6
Chemicals.....do....	1,031.1	971.3	1,235.6	1,155.6	1,522.3	1,289.8
Manufactured goods.....do....	1,067.6	988.6	1,121.5	1,135.3	1,384.1	1,228.5
Machinery and transport equipment, total.....do....	5,140.1	5,095.1	5,040.1	5,394.3	6,325.1	5,843.9
GENERAL IMPORTS, TOTAL.....do....						
Seasonally adjusted.....do....	14,547.3	14,486.0	15,846.3	13,776.3	15,764.8	16,172.0
Seasonally adjusted.....do....	14,004.1	14,491.5	16,231.1	14,806.3	15,273.3	16,035.8
By commodity groups and principal commodities:						
Food and live animals.....do....	1,257.5	1,161.5	1,278.3	1,102.5	1,242.6	1,325.7
Beverages and tobacco.....do....	174.7	201.5	204.8	156.2	221.9	205.3
Crude materials, inedible, exc. fuels.....do....	768.5	712.4	812.7	738.0	859.3	870.1
Mineral fuels, lubricants, etc.....do....	3,431.2	3,513.5	4,228.0	3,524.9	3,947.9	4,240.6
Oils and fats, animal and vegetable.....do....	46.0	42.7	89.5	50.6	55.7	44.2
Chemicals.....do....	604.2	611.6	532.2	440.5	655.1	648.1
Manufactured goods.....do....	2,334.1	2,383.0	2,255.8	2,120.7	2,424.0	2,251.0
Machinery and transport equipment.....do....	4,050.7	4,085.5	4,515.9	3,932.6	4,438.3	4,750.0

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