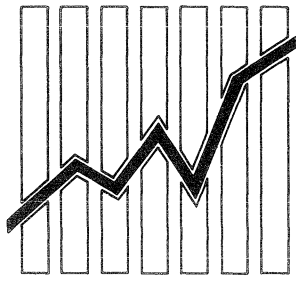




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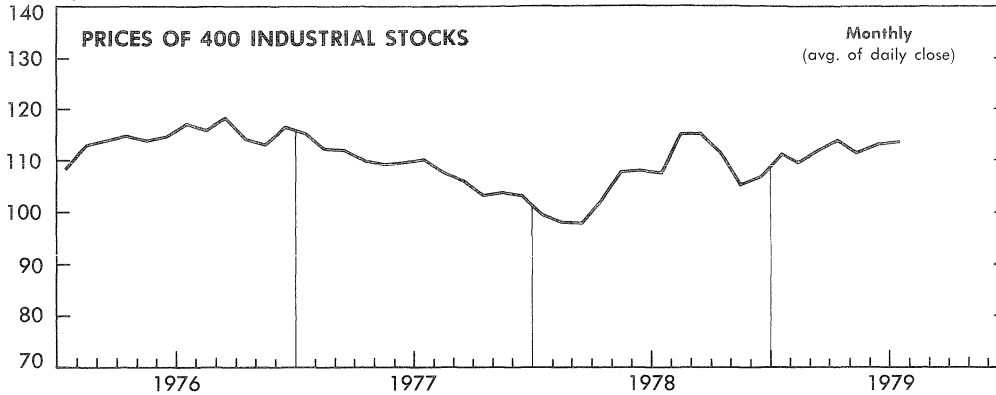


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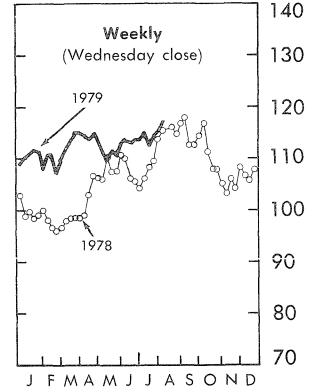
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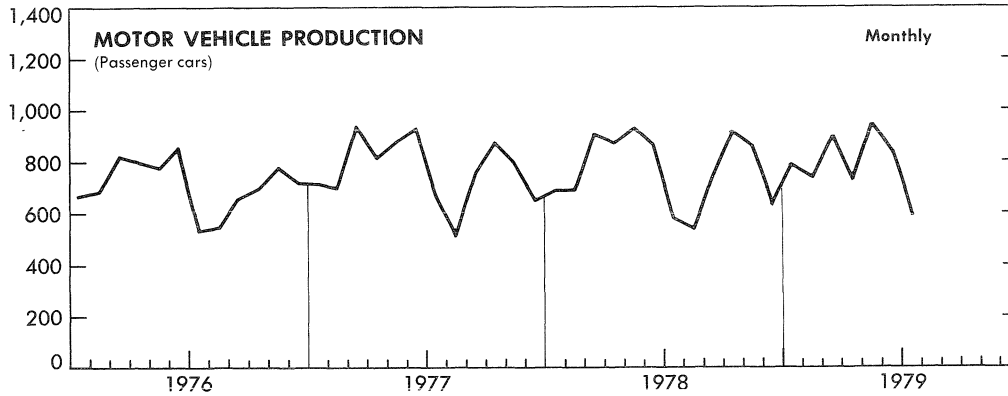


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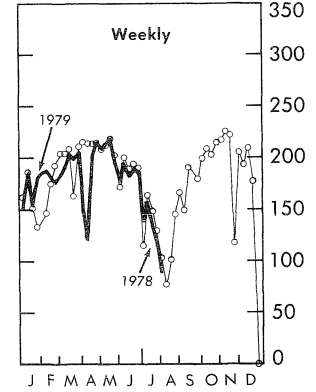


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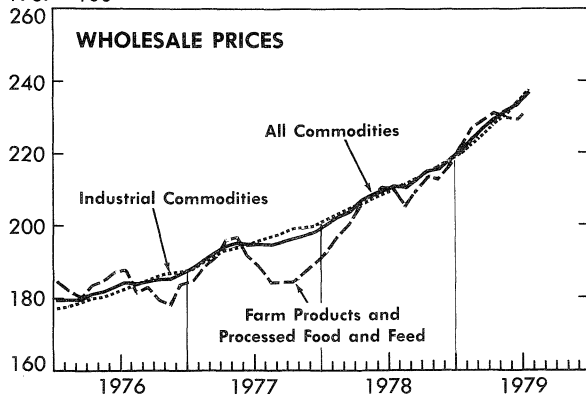


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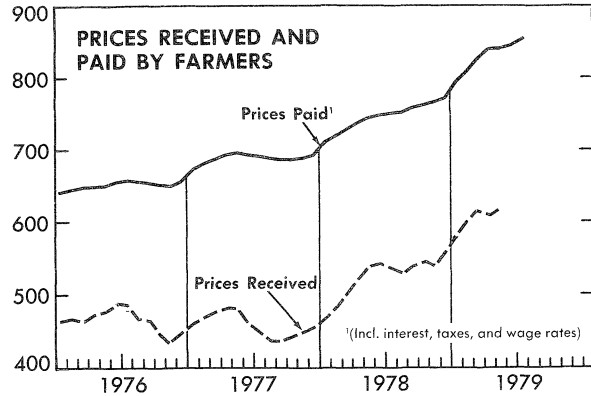


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Data: U.S. Dept. of Labor

1910-14=100



Data: U.S. Dept. of Agriculture

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ITEM	1978		1979			
	Aug. 5	Aug. 12	Jul. 21	Jul. 28	Aug. 4	Aug. 11
SPOT MARKET PRICES, 22 COMMODITIES ^{2/}1967=100..	230.1	234.0	276.7	276.5	277.8	276.6
9 Foodstuffs.....do.....	234.5	238.0	262.0	257.5	250.0	246.5
13 Raw industrials.....do.....	227.0	231.0	287.2	290.2	298.8	299.4
INITIAL UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIMS, State programs.....thous..	376	326	445	417	428	.....
INSURED UNEMPLOYMENT, all programs.....do.....	2,545	2,541	2,392	2,429	.....	.....
State programs (50 States, D.C., and Puerto Rico).....do....	2,281	2,299	2,263	2,298	.....	.....
FAILURES, INDUST. AND COMMERCIAL (Dun & Bradstreet)...number..	134	115	120	123	176	161
FINANCE:						
Currency in circulation ^{3/}.....mil. \$..	106,713	107,130	118,082	117,480	117,353	e117,947
Federal Reserve bank credit outstanding, total ^{3/}.....do....	126,301	123,399	132,943	131,818	131,238	129,881
Member bank reserve balances ^{3/}.....do....	38,058	37,159	41,543	41,251	41,072	40,302
Excess reserves, estimated ^{3/}.....do....	353	15	292	36	216	189
Assets and liabilities of large commercial banks: ^{4/}						
Demand deposits, adjusted.....do....	116,955	115,665	102,519	102,409	103,873	.....
Savings deposits.....do....	91,857	91,880	78,099	77,913	77,662	.....
Loans and investments, gross adjusted, total.....do....	455,691	458,616	471,699	473,837	476,401	.....
U.S. Government obligations.....do....	42,847	42,613	35,744	35,641	35,185	.....
Commercial and industrial loans (gross).....do....	135,467	134,577	145,692	146,337	147,484	.....
Real estate loans (gross).....do....	82,621	83,155	89,786	90,159	90,474	.....
Bond yields, domestic corporate (Moody's) ^{3/}.....percent..	9.16	9.07	9.67	9.70	9.74	9.73
Stock prices, 500 stocks (Stand. & Poor's) ^{4/}.....1941-43=10..	102.92	104.50	101.69	103.08	104.17	105.98
Industrial, 400 stocks.....do....	113.98	115.53	112.40	114.10	115.17	117.25
PRODUCTION:						
Bituminous coal.....thous. sh. tons..	13,550	12,940	13,130	14,330	15,010	.....
Electric power, by utilities.....mil. kw.-hr..	45,218	45,796	47,691	48,066	49,200	.....
Motor vehicles (passenger cars).....number..	103,233	75,758	131,104	113,391	85,769	.....
Petroleum (crude) and condensate ^{3/}.....thous. bbl..	8,930	8,930	8,624	8,624	8,700	.....
Steel, raw.....thous. sh. tons..	2,640	2,614	2,646	2,653	2,627	2,574
Rate of capability utilization ^{5/}.....percent..	87.4	86.5	89.1	89.3	88.4	86.7
RAIL FREIGHT, REVENUE TON-MILES.....bil..	16.6	16.6	17.2	17.2	17.6	.....

^{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.

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ITEM	1978		1979			
	June	July	Apr.	May	June	July
COMMODITY PRICES						
PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS, ALL FARM PRODUCTS...1910-14=100..	543	539	609	615	r610	615
Crops.....do.....	487	480	476	496	r524	546
Commercial vegetables.....do....	592	537	541	526	r526	513
Cotton.....do....	463	477	451	469	r497	505
Feed grains and hay.....do....	342	324	339	362	r380	407
Food grains.....do....	336	336	350	370	r423	446
Fruit.....do....	593	595	500	545	r579	620
Tobacco.....do....	1,017	1,038	1,135	1,141	1,141	1,105
Livestock and products.....do....	602	599	749	740	700	687
Dairy products.....do....	612	618	709	704	704	709
Meat animals.....do....	786	767	1,019	1,007	937	916
Poultry and eggs.....do....	239	256	265	261	246	237
PRICES PAID BY FARMERS:						
All commodities and services.....do....	640	642	714	719	722	732
Family living items.....do....	613	620	664	671	679	687
Production items.....do....	631	631	713	717	718	728
All commod., services, int., taxes, and wage rates.....do....	747	749	837	842	845	854
PARITY RATIO.....do....	73	72	73	73	72	72
PRODUCER PRICE INDEXES:						
SPOT MARKET PRICES, BASIC COMMODITIES:						
22 Commodities.....1967=100..	229.6	228.9	276.3	277.1	278.1	.....
9 Foodstuffs.....do....	240.8	234.9	251.8	254.4	256.5	.....
13 Raw industrials.....do....	221.1	224.7	294.5	293.8	293.9	.....
ALL COMMODITIES.....do....	209.6	210.7	229.7	231.6	233.1	236.6
Farm products.....do....	219.5	219.9	245.9	245.2	242.8	246.8
Food and feeds, processed.....do....	204.6	204.2	222.3	222.1	220.7	223.0
Industrial commodities.....do....	208.7	210.1	228.6	231.1	233.5	237.2
Chemicals and allied products.....do....	198.9	199.8	214.7	217.7	218.9	224.3
Fuels and related products, and power.....do....	323.2	324.5	361.9	377.3	393.2	411.7
Furniture and household durables.....do....	159.5	161.4	167.8	168.9	169.3	170.1

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	June	July	Apr.	May	June	July
COMMODITY PRICES--Con.						
PRODUCER PRICE INDEXES--Con.						
ALL COMMODITIES--Con.						
Industrial commodities--Con.						
Hides, skins and leather products.....1967=100..	195.3	197.3	259.3	269.3	267.2	262.2
Lumber and wood products.....do.....	278.5	277.5	304.5	302.8	299.7	300.2
Machinery and equipment.....do.....	195.3	196.5	209.2	210.8	211.7	214.2
Metals and metal products.....do.....	225.9	227.3	255.5	255.7	257.6	260.6
Nonmetallic mineral products.....do.....	222.0	224.7	242.9	245.2	246.8	249.2
Pulp, paper, and allied products.....do.....	193.5	195.5	214.5	215.8	216.6	218.1
Rubber and plastics products.....do.....	174.5	174.9	188.2	190.2	192.8	195.5
Textile products.....do.....	159.2	160.0	166.0	166.8	168.1	169.2
Transportation equipment.....Dec. 1968=100..	172.4	172.8	186.5	186.8	187.1	188.0
Motor vehicles and equipment.....1967=100..	175.0	175.5	189.2	189.5	189.7	190.4
PURCHASING POWER OF THE DOLLAR AS MEASURED BY--						
Producer prices.....1967=\$1.00..	\$0.514	\$0.510	\$0.473	\$0.471	\$0.469	\$0.463
LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT AND EARNINGS						
LABOR FORCE, total, persons 16 years of age and over						
not seasonally adjusted.....thous..	104,276	104,755	103,318	103,551	106,229	107,077
Civilian labor force.....do.....	102,178	102,659	101,236	101,473	104,153	104,995
Employed, total.....do.....	95,852	96,202	95,675	96,220	97,917	98,891
Agriculture.....do.....	3,983	3,997	3,074	3,509	3,785	3,857
Nonagricultural industries.....do.....	91,869	92,204	92,601	92,911	94,132	95,034
Unemployed.....do.....	6,326	6,438	5,561	5,253	6,235	6,104
Civilian labor force, seasonally adjusted.....do.....	100,504	100,622	102,111	102,247	102,528	103,059
Employed, total.....do.....	94,640	94,446	96,174	96,318	96,754	97,210
Agriculture.....do.....	3,424	3,377	3,186	3,184	3,260	3,262
Nonagricultural industries.....do.....	91,216	91,069	92,987	93,134	93,494	93,949
Unemployed.....do.....	5,864	6,176	5,937	5,929	5,774	5,848
Long-term, 15 weeks and over.....do.....	1,266	1,314	1,235	1,213	1,086	1,052
EMPLOYEES ON PAYROLL OF NONAGRIC. ESTAB., SESA. ADJ. ....do....						
Private sector.....do.....	85,996	86,033	88,248	r88,777	r89,549	p88,645
Nonmanufacturing industries.....do.....	70,399	70,476	72,673	r72,919	r73,817	p73,629
Goods-producing.....do.....	50,083	50,174	51,751	r52,100	r52,749	p52,890
Mining.....do.....	25,473	25,501	26,351	r26,423	r26,451	p26,445
Contract construction.....do.....	879	882	922	r923	r931	p939
Manufacturing.....do.....	4,278	4,317	4,507	r4,594	r4,622	p4,670
Durable goods.....do.....	20,316	20,302	20,922	r20,906	r20,898	p20,836
Nondurable goods.....do.....	12,109	12,138	12,665	r12,645	r12,653	p12,637
Service-Producing.....do.....	8,207	8,164	8,257	r8,261	r8,245	p8,199
Transportation, communication, elec., gas, etc.....do.....	60,523	60,532	61,897	r62,116	r62,258	p62,308
Wholesale and retail trade.....do.....	4,881	4,827	4,935	r5,031	r5,075	p5,085
Wholesale trade.....do.....	19,412	19,469	19,959	r19,985	r19,969	p19,950
Retail trade.....do.....	4,905	4,901	5,062	r5,080	r5,097	p5,094
Finance, insurance, and real estate.....do.....	14,507	14,568	14,897	r14,905	r14,872	p14,856
Services.....do.....	4,670	4,690	4,853	r4,867	r4,889	p4,904
Government.....do.....	15,963	15,989	16,575	r16,622	r16,688	p16,722
Federal.....do.....	15,597	15,557	15,575	r15,611	r15,637	p15,647
State and local.....do.....	2,772	2,765	2,756	r2,770	r2,793	p2,792
Indexes of aggregate weekly employee-hours (prod. workers):	12,825	12,792	12,819	r12,841	r12,844	p12,855
Private nonagric. payrolls, total, (seas. adj.)...1967=100..	120.6	120.6	122.4	r123.9	r124.1	p124.1
Goods-producing.....do.....	106.0	106.1	106.3	r109.3	r109.3	p109.0
Mining.....do.....	144.0	143.5	149.1	r148.3	r150.1	p146.6
Contract construction.....do.....	122.8	124.2	124.6	r132.3	r135.9	p133.9
Manufacturing.....do.....	101.7	101.6	101.6	r103.8	r103.5	p103.3
Durable goods.....do.....	103.8	104.0	104.4	r107.3	r107.0	p106.8
Service-producing.....do.....	130.7	130.7	133.7	r134.0	r134.4	p134.6
Transportation, communication, electricity, gas.....do.....	109.4	106.5	107.5	r111.5	r112.1	p111.3
Wholesale and retail trade.....do.....	126.8	127.4	129.8	r129.2	r129.3	p129.1
Retail trade.....do.....	127.0	128.0	129.8	r128.6	r128.7	p128.5
Finance, insurance, and real estate.....do.....	137.9	139.0	143.6	r142.3	143.0	p144.6
Services.....do.....	143.9	144.1	148.2	r148.7	r149.4	p150.2
Indexes of average hourly earnings, seasonally adjusted:						
Private nonfarm economy (prod. or nonsupervisory workers):						
Current dollars.....do.....	212.3	214.1	227.0	r227.4	r228.6	p230.3
1967 dollars.....do.....	108.8	109.1	107.0	r106.1	r105.6	.....
Mining.....do.....	239.8	244.3	264.2	r262.6	r264.6	p266.5
Contract construction.....do.....	207.6	207.9	218.0	r220.7	r220.7	p222.3
Manufacturing.....do.....	214.7	216.7	231.1	r232.3	r233.6	p235.5
Transportation, communication, elec., gas, etc.....do.....	229.6	230.4	241.9	r243.9	r245.3	p245.5
Wholesale and retail trade.....do.....	205.2	207.6	221.0	r220.9	r222.3	p223.7
Finance, insurance, and real estate.....do.....	194.6	196.9	207.6	r207.0	r207.7	p211.5
Services.....do.....	211.5	213.2	225.3	r224.0	225.3	p226.8
WORK STOPPAGES:						
Number of stoppages:						
Beginning in month.....number..	475	467	553	598	543	.....
Workers involved:						
Beginning in month.....thous..	114	177	411	157	162
Days idle during month.....do.....	2,579	3,071	5,193	3,768	3,335

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ITEM	1978		1979			
	June	July	Apr.	May	June	July
FINANCE						
SECURITY MARKETS						
BOND YIELDS:						
Domestic corporate (Moody's).....percent..	9.13	9.22	9.81	9.96	9.81	9.69
By ratings:						
Aaa.....do....	8.76	8.88	9.38	9.50	9.29	9.20
Aa.....do....	8.95	9.07	9.65	9.86	9.66	9.49
A.....do....	9.18	9.33	9.88	10.00	9.89	9.75
Baa.....do....	9.60	9.60	10.33	10.47	10.38	10.29
By group:						
Industrials.....do....	8.92	9.05	9.57	9.69	9.57	9.47
Public utilities.....do....	9.33	9.38	10.05	10.23	10.04	9.90
Railroads.....do....	8.68	8.70	9.38	9.48	9.44	9.45
STOCKS:						
Prices:						
Dow-Jones average (65 stocks).....	288.53	287.85	294.69	286.65	293.01	297.04
Industrial (30 stocks).....	840.26	831.71	864.96	837.41	838.65	836.95
Public utility (15 stocks).....	105.48	105.54	103.23	100.26	104.59	107.43
Transportation (20 stocks).....	224.33	227.06	231.81	227.92	239.68	248.42
Standard & Poor's Corporation:						
Combined index (500 stocks).....1941-43=10..	97.66	97.19	102.07	99.73	101.73	102.71
Industrial, total (400 stocks).....do....	107.96	107.39	113.95	111.24	112.98	113.63
Capital goods (111 stocks).....do....	106.36	105.16	116.32	113.76	114.76	114.08
Consumer goods (189 stocks).....do....	87.51	86.68	84.03	81.79	83.30	82.40
Utilities (40 stocks).....do....	52.25	52.32	50.09	48.65	50.57	51.73
Transportation (20 stocks).....1970=10..	13.88	14.00	14.18	14.07	14.65	15.20
Railroad (10 stocks).....1941-43=10..	44.92	43.97	49.75	49.88	52.60	54.73
Financial (40 stocks).....1970=10..	11.87	11.75	11.97	11.85	12.51	13.01
New York City banks (6 stocks).....1941-43=10..	44.85	43.62	44.24	44.18	44.93	46.61
Banks outside N.Y.C. (10 stocks).....do....	101.70	100.76	101.93	100.47	104.76	109.29
Property-Casualty Insurance (6 stocks).....do....	108.43	106.90	118.88	117.03	120.67	122.13

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