



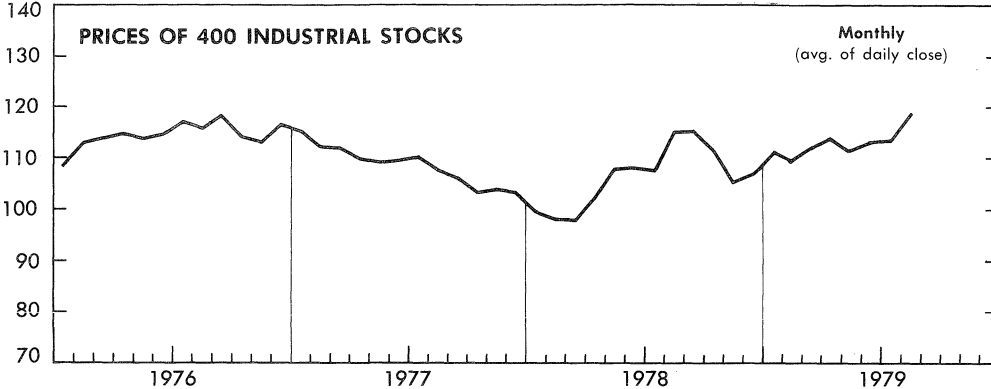
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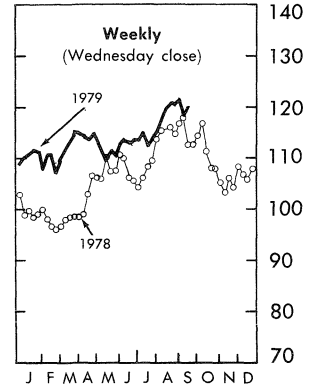
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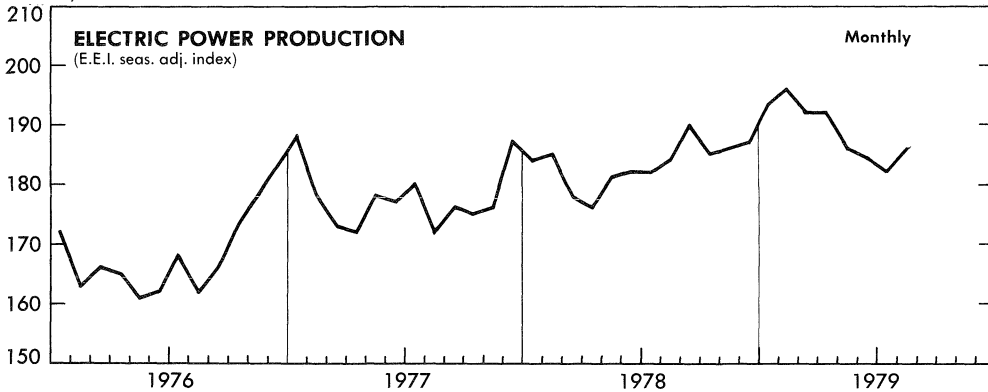


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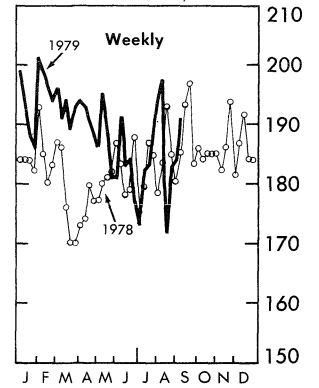


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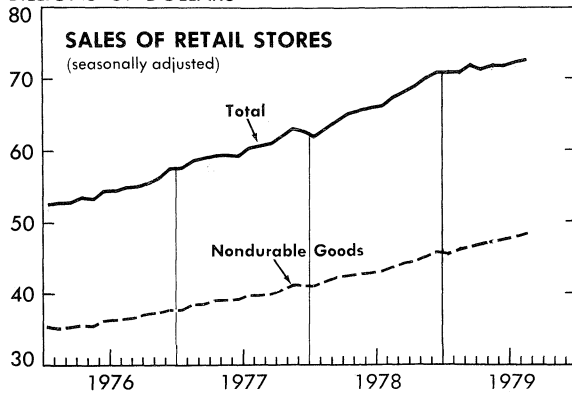


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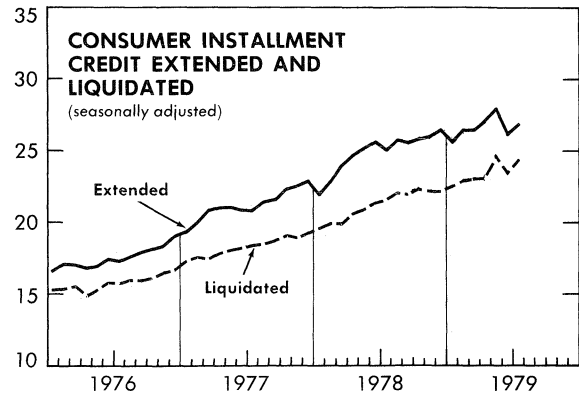


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Data: Federal Reserve Board

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| ITEM | 1978 | | 1979 | | | |
|--|---------|----------|---------|---------|---------|----------|
| | Sept. 9 | Sept. 16 | Aug. 25 | Sept. 1 | Sept. 8 | Sept. 15 |
| SPOT MARKET PRICES, 22 COMMODITIES <u>2/</u>1967=100.. | 240.9 | 243.3 | 280.9 | 281.8 | 282.3 | 281.2 |
| 9 Foodstuffs.....do..... | 247.0 | 248.9 | 259.9 | 258.5 | 259.3 | 258.7 |
| 13 Raw industrials.....do..... | 236.7 | 239.3 | 296.2 | 298.9 | 299.2 | 297.8 |
| INITIAL UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIMS, State programs.....thous.. | 247 | 262 | 314 | 312 | 285 | ..... |
| INSURED UNEMPLOYMENT, all programs.....do..... | 2,180 | 2,074 | 2,355 | 2,193 | ..... | ..... |
| State programs (50 States, D.C., and Puerto Rico).....do..... | 1,964 | 1,864 | 2,226 | 2,066 | ..... | ..... |
| FAILURES, INDUST. AND COMMERCIAL (Dun & Bradstreet)....number.. | 78 | 141 | 165 | 151 | 57 | 157 |
| FINANCE: | | | | | | |
| Currency in circulation <u>3/</u>.....mil. \$.. | 107,841 | 108,512 | 118,362 | 118,051 | 118,984 | e119,681 |
| Federal Reserve bank credit outstanding, total <u>3/</u>.....do..... | 126,118 | 123,902 | 132,470 | 131,894 | 133,040 | 131,823 |
| Member bank reserve balances <u>3/</u>.....do..... | 37,600 | 37,236 | 40,695 | 41,102 | 40,938 | 40,171 |
| Excess reserves, estimated <u>3/</u>.....do..... | 305 | 113 | 25 | 352 | 455 | 108 |
| Assets and liabilities of large commercial banks: <u>4/</u> | | | | | | |
| Demand deposits, adjusted.....do..... | 113,218 | 118,102 | 101,968 | 101,955 | 106,099 | ..... |
| Savings deposits.....do..... | 91,803 | 91,543 | 77,450 | 77,129 | 77,448 | ..... |
| Loans and investments, gross adjusted, total.....do..... | 421,419 | 463,889 | 479,575 | 480,542 | 491,188 | ..... |
| U.S. Government obligations.....do..... | 43,803 | 43,518 | 35,037 | 34,676 | 36,743 | ..... |
| Commercial and industrial loans (gross).....do..... | 135,402 | 135,546 | 147,690 | 147,616 | 149,854 | ..... |
| Real estate loans (gross).....do..... | 84,671 | 85,158 | 91,581 | 92,045 | 92,408 | ..... |
| Bond yields, domestic corporate (Moody's) <u>3/</u>.....percent.. | 9.04 | 9.01 | 9.74 | 9.79 | 9.83 | 9.89 |
| Stock prices, 500 stocks (Stand. & Poor's) <u>4/</u>.....1941-43=10.. | 105.38 | 106.34 | 108.99 | 109.02 | 106.40 | 107.82 |
| Industrial, 400 stocks.....do..... | 116.85 | 117.94 | 120.83 | 121.05 | 118.23 | 120.07 |
| PRODUCTION: | | | | | | |
| Bituminous coal.....thous. sh. tons.. | 13,470 | 15,425 | 16,210 | 16,305 | 14,300 | ..... |
| Electric power, by utilities.....mil. kw.-hr.. | 43,553 | 44,585 | 45,679 | 46,407 | 44,980 | ..... |
| Motor vehicles (passenger cars).....number.. | 147,680 | 191,270 | 98,166 | 130,976 | 123,614 | ..... |
| Petroleum (crude) and condensate <u>3/</u>.....thous. bbl.. | 8,856 | 8,856 | 8,620 | 8,620 | 8,667 | ..... |
| Steel, raw.....thous. sh. tons.. | 2,642 | 2,640 | 2,546 | 2,581 | 2,464 | 2,431 |
| Rate of capability utilization <u>5/</u>.....percent.. | 87.5 | 87.4 | 85.7 | 86.9 | 83.0 | 81.8 |
| RAIL FREIGHT, REVENUE TON-MILES.....bil.. | 15.3 | 17.5 | 17.9 | 17.9 | 15.6 | ..... |

^{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.

MONTHLY BUSINESS STATISTICS

| ITEM | 1978 | | 1979 | | | |
|--|--------|--------|--------|---------|---------|--------|
| | July | Aug. | May | June | July | Aug. |
| COMMODITY PRICES | | | | | | |
| PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS, ALL FARM PRODUCTS..1910-14=100.. | 539 | 528 | 615 | 610 | r611 | 586 |
| Crops.....do..... | 480 | 459 | 496 | 524 | r539 | 517 |
| Commercial vegetables.....do..... | 537 | 466 | 526 | 526 | r500 | 530 |
| Cotton.....do..... | 477 | 485 | 469 | 497 | r514 | 498 |
| Feed grains and hay.....do..... | 324 | 307 | 362 | 380 | r394 | 377 |
| Food grains.....do..... | 336 | 337 | 370 | 423 | r442 | 423 |
| Fruit.....do..... | 595 | 564 | 545 | 579 | r623 | 572 |
| Tobacco.....do..... | 1,038 | 1,079 | 1,141 | 1,141 | 1,105 | 1,155 |
| Livestock and products.....do..... | 599 | 600 | 740 | 700 | 687 | 657 |
| Dairy products.....do..... | 618 | 642 | 704 | 704 | 709 | 728 |
| Meat animals.....do..... | 767 | 769 | 1,007 | 937 | 916 | 857 |
| Poultry and eggs.....do..... | 256 | 243 | 261 | 246 | 237 | 226 |
| PRICES PAID BY FARMERS: | | | | | | |
| All commodities and services.....do..... | 642 | 643 | 719 | 722 | r731 | 729 |
| Family living items.....do..... | 620 | 624 | 671 | 679 | 687 | 694 |
| Production items.....do..... | 631 | 629 | 717 | 718 | r726 | 721 |
| All commod., services, int., taxes, and wage rates.....do..... | 749 | 750 | 842 | 845 | r853 | 852 |
| PARITY RATIO.....do..... | 72 | 70 | 73 | 72 | 72 | 69 |
| DOMESTIC TRADE | | | | | | |
| RETAIL TRADE, ALL RETAIL STORES: | | | | | | |
| ESTIMATED SALES (UNADJUSTED), TOTAL <u>1/</u>.....mil. \$.. | 66,557 | 69,102 | 74,781 | r74,813 | r71,975 | 75,703 |
| Durable goods stores.....do..... | 23,932 | 24,898 | 27,236 | r26,622 | r25,283 | 26,157 |
| Bldg. materials, hardware, garden supply, and mobile home dealers.....do..... | 4,074 | 4,308 | 4,707 | r4,817 | r4,599 | 4,733 |
| Automotive dealers.....do..... | 14,294 | 14,642 | 16,015 | r15,049 | r14,167 | 14,247 |
| Furn., home furn. and equip.....do..... | 3,021 | 3,224 | 3,374 | r3,559 | r3,562 | 3,865 |

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| ITEM | 1978 | | 1979 | | | |
|---|---------|---------|----------|----------|----------|---------|
| | July | Aug. | May | June | July | Aug. |
| DOMESTIC TRADE--Con. | | | | | | |
| RETAIL TRADE, ALL RETAIL STORES--Con. | | | | | | |
| ESTIMATED SALES (UNADJUSTED), TOTAL 1/--Con. | | | | | | |
| Nondurable goods stores.....mil. \$.. | 42,625 | 44,204 | 47,545 | r48,191 | r46,692 | 49,546 |
| General merch. group stores.....do.... | 7,497 | 8,165 | 8,685 | r8,503 | r7,976 | 8,698 |
| Department stores.....do.... | 5,965 | 6,520 | 6,946 | r6,810 | r6,396 | 7,033 |
| Food stores.....do.... | 15,006 | 14,858 | 16,330 | r17,051 | r16,234 | 16,998 |
| Grocery stores.....do.... | 13,941 | 13,781 | 15,022 | r15,745 | r14,970 | 15,738 |
| Gasoline service stations.....do.... | 5,283 | 5,387 | 6,070 | r6,294 | r6,362 | 6,553 |
| Apparel and accessory stores.....do.... | 2,754 | 3,194 | 3,204 | r3,174 | r3,030 | 3,509 |
| Eating and drinking places.....do.... | 6,395 | 6,527 | 6,472 | r6,655 | r6,690 | 6,984 |
| Drug and proprietary stores.....do.... | 2,016 | 2,109 | 2,308 | r2,282 | r2,260 | 2,361 |
| ESTIMATED SALES (SEAS. ADJ.), TOTAL 1/.....do.... | 66,224 | 67,303 | 71,914 | r71,803 | r72,283 | 72,786 |
| Durable goods stores.....do.... | 23,049 | 23,617 | 24,731 | r24,316 | r24,389 | 24,624 |
| Bldg. mat., hdwre, garden supply, etc. dealers.....do.... | 3,707 | 3,809 | 4,087 | r4,175 | r4,184 | 4,174 |
| Automotive dealers.....do.... | 13,490 | 13,895 | 14,107 | r13,363 | r13,321 | 13,365 |
| Furn., home furn. and equip.....do.... | 3,091 | 3,170 | 3,391 | r3,545 | r3,637 | 3,789 |
| Nondurable goods stores.....do.... | 43,175 | 43,686 | 47,183 | r47,487 | r47,894 | 48,162 |
| General merch. group stores.....do.... | 8,287 | 8,361 | 8,902 | r8,655 | r8,846 | 8,815 |
| Department stores.....do.... | 6,650 | 6,701 | 7,131 | r6,921 | r7,162 | 7,147 |
| Food stores.....do.... | 14,609 | 14,629 | 15,948 | r16,274 | r16,240 | 16,218 |
| Grocery stores.....do.... | 13,574 | 13,577 | 14,699 | r15,024 | r15,000 | 14,989 |
| Gasoline service stations.....do.... | 4,887 | 5,082 | 5,905 | r6,040 | r5,896 | 6,176 |
| Apparel and accessory stores.....do.... | 3,126 | 3,221 | 3,373 | r3,341 | r3,497 | 3,481 |
| Eating and drinking places.....do.... | 5,867 | 5,923 | 6,071 | r6,139 | r6,241 | 6,264 |
| Drug and proprietary stores.....do.... | 2,102 | 2,135 | 2,315 | r2,296 | r2,357 | 2,368 |
| FINANCE | | | | | | |
| CONSUMER INSTALLMENT CREDIT | | | | | | |
| Total extended and liquidated: | | | | | | |
| Unadjusted: | | | | | | |
| Extended.....mil. \$.. | 25,266 | 28,313 | r29,762 | r28,023 | 27,702 | ..... |
| Liquidated.....do.... | 21,234 | 22,596 | r25,022 | r23,482 | 24,506 | ..... |
| Seasonally adjusted: | | | | | | |
| Extended, total 2/.....do.... | 25,022 | 25,669 | r27,901 | r26,139 | 26,848 | ..... |
| By major holder: | | | | | | |
| Commercial banks.....do.... | 12,187 | 12,255 | r13,400 | r12,278 | 12,292 | ..... |
| Finance companies.....do.... | 4,261 | 4,348 | r5,186 | r4,641 | 5,353 | ..... |
| Credit unions.....do.... | 3,271 | 3,379 | 3,124 | 2,986 | 3,282 | ..... |
| Retailers.....do.... | 3,477 | 3,725 | 3,721 | 3,853 | 3,687 | ..... |
| By major credit type: | | | | | | |
| Automobile.....do.... | 7,652 | 7,744 | r8,260 | r7,178 | 7,447 | ..... |
| Revolving.....do.... | 8,700 | 9,028 | r10,039 | 10,136 | 9,856 | ..... |
| Mobile home.....do.... | 509 | 531 | r668 | r547 | 519 | ..... |
| Liquidated, total 2/.....do.... | 21,556 | 22,037 | r24,595 | r23,581 | 24,405 | ..... |
| By major holder: | | | | | | |
| Commercial banks.....do.... | 10,087 | 10,470 | r11,735 | r11,294 | 11,630 | ..... |
| Finance companies.....do.... | 3,590 | 3,612 | r4,293 | r3,728 | 4,168 | ..... |
| Credit unions.....do.... | 2,758 | 2,766 | 3,000 | 2,842 | 2,940 | ..... |
| Retailers.....do.... | 3,333 | 3,383 | 3,438 | 3,565 | 3,507 | ..... |
| By type of credit: | | | | | | |
| Automobile.....do.... | 5,941 | 6,140 | r7,035 | r6,488 | 6,831 | ..... |
| Revolving.....do.... | 8,100 | 8,291 | r9,290 | 9,340 | 9,427 | ..... |
| Mobile home.....do.... | 426 | 452 | r434 | 445 | 447 | ..... |
| Total outstanding, end of year or month.....do.... | 253,897 | 259,614 | r287,315 | r291,856 | 295,052 | ..... |
| By major holder: 2/ | | | | | | |
| Commercial banks.....do.... | 126,619 | 129,622 | r142,102 | r144,035 | 145,169 | ..... |
| Finance companies.....do.... | 49,502 | 50,558 | r59,635 | r60,996 | 62,463 | ..... |
| Credit unions.....do.... | 42,355 | 43,499 | 46,832 | 47,478 | 47,772 | ..... |
| Retailers.....do.... | 21,828 | 22,093 | 23,421 | 23,672 | 23,713 | ..... |
| By type of credit: 2/ | | | | | | |
| Automobile.....do.... | 95,289 | 97,687 | r109,211 | r110,930 | 111,952 | ..... |
| Revolving.....do.... | 40,553 | 41,629 | r46,489 | r47,458 | 47,894 | ..... |
| Mobile home.....do.... | 15,663 | 15,799 | 16,453 | r16,607 | 16,719 | ..... |
| FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS, CONDITION, END OF MONTH: | | | | | | |
| Assets, total.....mil. \$.. | 146,137 | 148,947 | 151,844 | 158,096 | r155,056 | 153,280 |
| Reserve bank credit outstanding, total.....do.... | 123,607 | 126,311 | 123,456 | 125,206 | r126,233 | 127,592 |
| Time loans.....do.... | 1,127 | 954 | 1,330 | 1,558 | r852 | 1,572 |
| U.S. Government securities.....do.... | 108,885 | 111,739 | 106,185 | 109,737 | 111,445 | 113,027 |
| Gold certificate account.....do.... | 11,693 | 11,679 | 11,354 | 11,323 | 11,290 | 11,259 |
| Liabilities, total.....do.... | 146,137 | 148,947 | 151,844 | 158,096 | r155,056 | 153,280 |
| Deposits, total.....do.... | 39,910 | 40,773 | 34,835 | 39,637 | r34,053 | 33,937 |
| Member-bank reserve balances.....do.... | 28,461 | 27,705 | 31,602 | 30,407 | r30,279 | 29,407 |
| Federal Reserve notes in circulation.....do.... | 95,571 | 96,534 | 103,748 | 104,794 | 105,957 | 106,900 |

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| ITEM | 1978 | | 1979 | | | |
|---|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| | July | Aug. | May | June | July | Aug. |
| FINANCE--Con. | | | | | | |
| SECURITY MARKETS | | | | | | |
| BOND YIELDS: | | | | | | |
| Domestic corporate (Moody's).....percent.. | 9.22 | 9.08 | 9.96 | 9.81 | 9.69 | 9.74 |
| By ratings: | | | | | | |
| Aaa.....do.... | 8.88 | 8.69 | 9.50 | 9.29 | 9.20 | 9.23 |
| Aa.....do.... | 9.07 | 8.96 | 9.86 | 9.66 | 9.49 | 9.53 |
| A.....do.... | 9.33 | 9.18 | 10.00 | 9.89 | 9.75 | 9.85 |
| Baa.....do.... | 9.60 | 9.48 | 10.47 | 10.38 | 10.29 | 10.35 |
| By group: | | | | | | |
| Industrials.....do.... | 9.05 | 8.95 | 9.69 | 9.57 | 9.47 | 9.52 |
| Public utilities.....do.... | 9.38 | 9.21 | 10.23 | 10.04 | 9.90 | 9.97 |
| Railroads.....do.... | 8.70 | 8.72 | 9.48 | 9.44 | 9.45 | 9.48 |
| STOCKS: | | | | | | |
| Prices: | | | | | | |
| Dow-Jones average (65 stocks)..... | 287.85 | 306.73 | 286.65 | 293.01 | 297.04 | 310.60 |
| Industrial (30 stocks)..... | 831.71 | 887.93 | 837.41 | 838.65 | 836.95 | 873.55 |
| Public utility (15 stocks)..... | 105.54 | 108.51 | 100.26 | 104.59 | 107.43 | 108.80 |
| Transportation (20 stocks)..... | 227.06 | 248.96 | 227.92 | 239.68 | 248.42 | 265.75 |
| Standard & Poor's Corporation: | | | | | | |
| Combined index (500 stocks).....1941-43=10.. | 97.19 | 103.92 | 99.73 | 101.73 | 102.71 | 107.36 |
| Industrial, total (400 stocks).....do.... | 107.39 | 114.99 | 111.24 | 112.98 | 113.63 | 118.93 |
| Capital goods (111 stocks).....do.... | 105.16 | 115.19 | 113.76 | 114.76 | 114.08 | 119.82 |
| Consumer goods (189 stocks).....do.... | 86.68 | 92.45 | 81.79 | 83.30 | 82.40 | 87.54 |
| Utilities (40 stocks).....do.... | 52.32 | 53.35 | 48.65 | 50.57 | 51.73 | 52.52 |
| Transportation (20 stocks).....1970=10.. | 14.00 | 15.41 | 14.07 | 14.65 | 15.20 | 16.18 |
| Railroad (10 stocks).....1941-43=10.. | 43.97 | 47.26 | 49.88 | 52.60 | 54.73 | 57.62 |
| Financial (40 stocks).....1970=10.. | 11.75 | 12.85 | 11.85 | 12.51 | 13.01 | 13.69 |
| New York City banks (6 stocks).....1941-43=10.. | 43.62 | 48.02 | 44.18 | 44.93 | 46.61 | 49.26 |
| Banks outside N.Y.C. (10 stocks).....do.... | 100.76 | 113.19 | 100.47 | 104.76 | 109.29 | 117.81 |
| Property-Casualty Insurance (6 stocks).....do.... | 106.90 | 117.48 | 117.03 | 120.67 | 122.13 | 125.91 |

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