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SALES FINANCE COMPANIES

June 1960

Retail passenger car instalment paper held by sales finance companies increased by \$136 million in June, to \$7,767 million. This compares with an expansion in June 1959 of \$205 million. Total outstanding consumer credit rose by \$201 million and was \$1,595 million above a year ago.

Credit extended by sales finance companies for consumer purchases of automobiles rose \$50 million in June. The number of contracts acquired totaled 170 thousand for new passenger cars, and 251 thousand for used passenger cars, an increase over May.

Business credit rose \$40 million in June as compared with an increase of \$82 million a year earlier.

Outstanding Credit Held by Sales Finance Companies (In millions of dollars)

	D. D	Increase or decrease during:		
Type of credit	June 30,	June	June	Year ended
	1960 ´	1960	1959	June 30, 1960
Consumer instalment credit	10,945	+201	+261	+1,595
Retail automotive (passenger cars) Other consumer goods paper Repair and modernization loans Personal loans	7,767 2,175 49 954	+136 + 43 + 4 + 18	+205 + 42 + 1 + 13	+ 883 + 528 + 26 + 158
Business credit 1/	4,040	+ 40	+ 82	+ 621
Retail automotive (commercial vehicles) Wholesale automotive Wholesale other than automotive Other business credit	628 2,084 155 1,173	+ 10 + 6 - 8 + 32	+ 23 + 33 + 3 + 23	+ 98 + 193 + 21 + 309



Credit Extended by Sales Finance Companies (In millions of dollars)

		Chane	e from:
Type of credit	June	Month	Year
	1960	ago	ago
Consumer instalment credit Retail automotive (passenger cars) New Used	1,050	+67	<u>-24</u>
	721	+50	<u>-51</u>
	444	+37	-23
	277	+13	-28
Other consumer goods paper	203	+11	+15
Repair and modernization loans	6	0	+ 4
Personal loans	120	+ 6	+ 8
Business credit 1/ Retail automotive (commercial vehicles) New Used	$ \begin{array}{r} 1,479 \\ \hline 61 \\ \hline 48 \\ 13 \end{array} $	-14 + 1 + 1 0	-13 - 3 - 2 - 1
Wholesale automotive paper New (passenger and commercial) Used (passenger and commercial)	1,202	<u>-21</u>	-24
	1,122	-13	-10
	80	- 8	-14
Wholesale other than automotive Other business credit 1/	46	+ 1	- 4
	170	+ 5	+18

^{1/2} Excludes some credit extended to business, such as that extended by factoring subsidiaries.

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Number of Motor Vehicles Financed by Sales Finance Companies (In thousands)

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Type of vehicle	June	Month	Year	
	1960	ago	1960	
Total financed by retail New passenger Used passenger New commercial Used commercial	451	+24	-24	
	170	+13	- 5	
	251	+10	-18	
	17	+ 1	- 1	
	13	0	0	
Total financed at wholesale	<u>542</u>	<u>- 7</u>	<u>- 5</u>	
New (passenger and commercial)	465	- 3	+ 6	
Used (passenger and commercial)	77	- 4	-11	

Credit Sales of New Passenger Cars as a Per Cent Of Total Number Sold at Retail 1/

Credit Sales 1960 - June May 1959 - June	Per Cent 61 60 60

^{1/} Based on new car instalment contracts acquired by banks, sales finance companies, other financial institutions, and automobile dealers. Data for prior months may be obtained by writing to the Division of Research and Statistics, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, Washington 25, D. C.