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SALES FINANCE COMPANIES November 1965

Other consumer goods paper rose \$63 million during November for the bulk of the total increase in total instalment credit at sales finance companies. Retail passenger auto paper and personal loans also showed gains, but repair and modernization loans dipped slightly.

The \$87 million increase in total instalment credit for November 1965 was in contrast to the \$3 million decline in November 1964. In that month, the use of auto credit was sharply reduced as new auto sales tumbled because of the strike.

New credit extensions in November were up \$70 million from a month ago and \$23 million from a year earlier. The increases in most categories were greater than usual for this time of year.

Business credit, after several months of decline, increased for the second consecutive month. As in the past, most of this increase occurred in the area of wholesale automobile credit.

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

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		Increase or decrease during:		
Type of credit	November 30.	November	November	Year ended
	1965	1965	1964	Nov. 30, 1965
Consumer instalment credit	15,963	87	3	1,341
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Retail automotive (passenger cars)	9,210	9	- 75	512
Other consumer goods	4,332	63	50	528
Home repair and modernization	126	- 2	- 2	- 18
Personal loans	2,295	17	24	319
Business credit 1/	6,471	230	<u>93</u> .	1,084
Retail automotive				la deservición
(commercial vehicles)	928	7	- 15	71
Wholesale automotive		211	127	824
	2,106		12/	79
Wholesale other than automotive	523	14	6	
Other business credit	2,914	- 2	- 25	110
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1/ Excludes some credit extended to business, such as that extended by factoring subsidiaries.

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

	Change from:			•
Type of credit	November 1965	Month ago	Year ago	
Consumer instalment credit	1,293	<u>70</u>	223	
Retail automotive (passenger cars)	663	<u>27</u>	<u>154</u>	
New Used	437 226	8 19	139 15	
Other consumer goods Home repair and modernization Personal loans	368 6 256	9 1 33	42 0 27	
Business credit 1/	2,619	<u>339</u>	911	
Retail automotive (commercial vehicles)	<u>87</u>	1	<u>26</u>	
New Used	68 19	1 0	21 5	
Wholesale automotive paper	1,908	166	797	
New (passenger and commercial) Used (passenger and commercial)	1,843 65	158 8	789 8	
Wholesale other than automotive Other business credit $\underline{1}/$	162 462	3 169	36 52	

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

		Change from:		
Type of vehicle	November	- Month	Year	
	1965	ago	ago	
Total financed at retail	333		_51_	
New passenger	152	2	46	
Used passenger	157	9	0	
New commercial	17	- 4	4	
Used commercial	7	0	1	
Total financed at wholesale	683	_41_	<u>256</u>	
New (passenger and commercial)	644	46	260	
Used (passenger and commercial)	39	- 5	- 4	

Credit Sales of New Passenger Cars as a Per Cent of Total Number Sold at Retail $\underline{1}/$

Credit Sales	Per Cent	
1965 - November	60	
1965 - October	57	
1964 - November	54	

^{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, D. C. 20551.