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FINANCE COMPANIES - APRIL 1973

Consumer credit outstanding at finance companies rose \$328 million during April. All major types of credit contributed to this greater than seasonal rise.

Consumer credit extended by finance companies in April, on the other hand, was \$22 million less than the amount extended in March. Both passenger care and personal loan extensions were smaller than those reported a month ago. April extensions for these types of credit, however, remained very high.

Total business credit outstanding increased only \$30 million in April as a result of large drops in both loans on commercial accounts receivable and factored accounts receivable. April extensions of business credit were \$620 million less than in the previous month; all major types of credit with the exception of retail credit on business, industrial and farm equipment contributed to this smaller volume. By comparison, April 1972 extensions were \$1,061 million smaller than in the previous month of that year and \$2,216 million less than in the current April.

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

		Increase or decrease (-) during:					
Type of credit	April 30,	1000	Year ended				
	1973	April 1973	April 1972	April 30, 1973			
Consumer instalment credit	33,078	328	239	4,123			
Retail automotive (passenger			T				
cars)	10,617	198	49	1,244			
Mobile homes	2,991	48	27	377			
Other retail consumer goods	3,831	35	13	755			
Home repair and modernization	611	30	15	335			
Personal loans	15,028	17	135	1,412			

Consumer Credit Extended and Repaid at Finance Companies (In millions of dollars)

	Extended by finance cos.			Repaid to finance cos.		
Type of credit	April 1973	March 1973	April 1972	April 1973	March 1973	April 1972
Consumer instalment credit Retail automotive (passenger	3,576	3,598*	3,071	3,248	3,279	2,832
cars)	849	886	743	651	734	694
Mobile homes	146	130	117	98	96	90
Other retail consumer goods	1,021	1,014*	777	986	970	764
Home repair and modernization	55	43	31	25	24	16
Personal loans	1,505	1,525*	1,403	1,488	1,455	1.268

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

Type of credit		Increase or decrease (-) during:					
	April 30, 1973	April 1973	April 1972	April 30, 1	197 <b>3</b>		
Business credit Retail automotive (commercial	27,226	30	<u>96</u>	2,753			
vehicles Wholesale automotive	4,499 6,202	41 5	125 107	403 178			
Retail paper on business, in- dustrial and farm equipment Loanson commercial accounts	7,390	131	22	1,022			
receivable Factored commercial accounts	1,496	-291	-15	-83			
receivable All other business credit	1,421 6,218	-96 240	-197 54	126 1,107			

## Business Credit Extended and Repaid at Finance Companies (In millions of dollars)

	Extended by finance cos.			Repaid to finance cos.		
Type of credit	April 1973	March · 1973	April 1972	April 1973	March 1973	April 1972
Business credit Retail automotive (commercial	8,987	9,607	6,771	8,957	9,518	6,675
vehicles) Wholesale automotive	421 3,402	435 3,542	433 2,846	380 3,397	372 3,384	308 2,739
Retail paper on business, in- dustrial and farm equipment	866	839	528	735	1,142	506
Loans on commercial accounts receivable	1,232	1,542	1,024	1,523	1,506	1,039
Factored commercial accounts receivable All other business credit	1,733 1.333	1,839 1,410	854 1.086	1,829	1,797	1,051

#### Change in Extensions and Repayments (In millions of dollars)

Change in ext	tensions from:	Change in repayments from:		
Month ago	'Year ago	Month ago	Year ago	
-22*	505	-31	416	
-37	106	-83	-43	
16	29	2	8	
7*	244	16	222	
12	24	1	9	
-20*	102	. 33	220	
-620	2.216	-561	2,282	
-14	-12	8	72	
-140	556	13	658	
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27	338	-407	229	
-310	208	17	484	
-106	879	32	778	
-77	247	-224	61	
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<sup>\*</sup> Revised.

## Number of Motor Vehicles Financed at Retail by Finance Companies (In thousands)

				Change	from:
Type of vehicle		April		Month	Year
Type of venture		1973		ago	ago
			100		
Total financed at retail		<u>378</u>		<u>-7</u>	<u>17</u>
	*.				
New passenger		153	14.5	-5	16
Used passenger	1	129		-1	-1
New and used commercial		96		-1	2

## Selected Liabilities of Finance Companies (In millions of dollars)

		Increase or decrease				
Type of liability	April 1973	April 1973	March 1973	April 1972		
Bank loans (excl. commercial paper) Commercial paper Directly placed Dealer placed	5,657 18,639 17,604	-367 -63 -21 -42	755. <u>336</u> 588 -252	505 972 1,723 -751		

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