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CHANGES IN COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL LOANS, BY INDUSTRY AND PURPOSE

The previously reported increase of $256 million in commercial, industrial, and agricultural loans at weekly reporting member banks included new borrowings in all business classifications, according to a smaller sample of 220 selected banks that report these data at the request of the National Voluntary Credit Restraint Committee.

The principal increases during the week ended September 12 were $69 million to manufacturers of food, liquor, and tobacco products, $61 million to manufacturers of metals and metal products, and $31 million to the wholesale and retail trade. The increase in loans to manufacturers of food products was the largest of seven consecutive weekly increases.

Changes in loans classified by type of business, during the week and since the end of March, were as follows:

Business of Borrower	Week ended September 12	Change since March 28
	(In millions of dollars)	
Manufacturing and mining:		
Food, liquor, and tobacco	+ 69	-111
Textiles, apparel, and leather	+ 6	+ 73
Metals and metal products	+ 61	+627
Petroleum and other	+ 27	+199
Trade -- wholesale and retail	+ 31	+101
Commodity dealers	+ 13	-341
Sales finance companies	+ 4	- 30
Public utilities and transportation	+ 12	+329
Construction and other	+ 27	+ 51
Total changes classified	+249	+897

Changes in loans classified as to purpose showed an increase of $65 million for defense and defense-supporting activities and an increase of $184 million in non-defense loans; the latter was largely for inventory and working capital.

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CHANGES IN COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL LOANS OF A SAMPLE OF WEEKLY REPORTING MEMBER BANKS BY INDUSTRY, PURPOSE, AND FEDERAL RESERVE DISTRICT, WEEK ENDED WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 1951

(In millions of dollars)

Business of Borrower	All Districts	Boston	New York	Philadelphia	Cleveland	Richmond	Atlanta	Chicago	St. Louis	Minneapolis	Kansas City	Dallas	San Francisco
Manufacturing and mining:													
Food, liquor, and tobacco	+68.6	+ 1.6	+40.5	+ .4	- 3.0	+ 2.7	+ 1.1	+10.7	+ .8	+ .7	+ .5	+ .3	+12.3
Textiles, apparel, and leather	+ 6.0	- 2.0	+ 6.2	+ 1.1	+ .9	- 1.6	- .1	+ 1.9	- .7	--	- .4	- .5	+ 1.2
Metals and metal products (including machinery & transportation equipment)	+60.8	+ 1.8	+33.4	+ 1.3	+ 6.8	+ .4	--	+12.4	+ 1.9	+ .4	+ .5	+ .5	+ 1.4
Petroleum, coal, chemicals, and rubber	+ 9.3	+ .5	+ 3.6	- .1	+ .2	+ .1	+ .7	+ 2.2	--	- .4	+ .3	+ 2.2	--
Other manufacturing and mining	+17.4	- .1	+ 2.4	+ .4	+ 6.6	+ .3	--	+ 1.5	+ 1.9	+ .5	+ .5	- .6	+ 4.0
Trade:													
Wholesale	( )	- .2	+ 2.0	+ .5	--	+ .7	- .1	+ 3.9	+ 2.1	+ .4	- .2	( )	+ 1.8
Retail	(+31.2)	+ 1.3	+ 4.2	+ 1.2	+ 3.5	+ .3	- .2	+ 7.1	+ 1.8	--	+ .1	(- 2.0)	+ 3.0
Commodity dealers	+12.9	- 1.1	+ .8	- 1.3	+ .4	+ .6	+ 1.4	+ 2.0	+ 2.9	+ 3.7	+ .8	- .1	+ 2.8
Sales finance companies	+ 4.4	- 1.0	+ 2.2	+ 4.9	+ 1.1	+ .5	- 1.7	- 4.5	+ .3	- 1.2	- .4	+ .9	+ 3.3
Public utilities (including transportation)	+11.7	+ 8.2	+ .2	+ .1	+ 2.8	+ .1	- .1	+ .5	- .1	--	- .3	+ 1.2	- .9
Construction	+17.3	+ .2	+ 6.9	+ .1	+ .8	+ .3	+ 1.1	+ .5	+ .1	--	+ .7	+ 5.1	+ 1.5
All other types of business	+ 9.5	+ .1	+ 5.4	- .4	- .7	+ 1.0	- .5	+ 1.3	- 1.8	--	+ 3.0	+ 1.4	+ .7
Net change of classified loans 1/	+249.1	+ 9.3	+107.8	+ 8.2	+19.4	+ 5.4	+ 1.6	+39.5	+ 9.2	+ 4.1	+ 5.1	+ 8.4	+31.1
To balance with net change in weekly reporting series	+ 6.9	- 3.3	+ 6.2	- .2	+ .6	- 2.4	+ 1.4	+ 4.5	+ 2.8	- .1	+ 3.9	+ 1.6	- 8.1
Net change in commercial, industrial, and agricultural loans	+256.0	+ 6.0	+114.0	+ 8.0	+20.0	+ 3.0	+ 3.0	+44.0	+12.0	+ 4.0	+ 9.0	+10.0	+23.0
Purpose Classification													
Defense contracts	+33.1	+ .2	+16.6	+ 1.8	+ 4.5	+ .7	+ .6	+ 4.5	+ 1.3	- .1	+ .5	+ .7	+ 1.8
Defense-supporting activities:													
Plant and equipment	+ 5.7	+ 2.2	- 3.0	+ .1	+ 2.6	--	- .3	+ 1.6	+ .5	--	--	--	+ 2.0
All other	+25.8	--	+22.3	+ .1	+ .1	+ .1	- .4	- .7	+ .1	--	- .3	--	+ 4.5
Non-defense activities:													
Inventory and working capital	+173.3	+ 2.1	+67.7	+ 6.2	+13.2	+ 3.0	+ .2	+34.7	+10.0	+ 4.1	+ 2.2	+ 4.0	+25.9
Plant and equipment	+ 6.5	+ 5.0	+ 4.1	--	+ .2	+ .2	- .1	+ .6	- 2.1	+ .1	+ .7	+ .1	- 2.3
Retirement of non-bank debt and preferred stock	+ 1.0	--	--	--	- .1	--	- .3	--	--	--	--	+ 1.7	- .3
All other (for loans classified)	+ 3.3	- .2	+ .1	--	- 1.1	+ 1.4	+ 1.9	- 1.2	- .6	--	+ 1.6	+ 1.9	- .5
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1/ About 220 weekly reporting member banks are reporting changes in their larger loans as to industry and purpose; these banks hold nearly 95 per cent of total commercial and industrial loans of all weekly reporting member banks and about 75 per cent of those of all commercial banks.

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