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CHANGES IN COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL LOANS BY INDUSTRY

Repayments of \$46 million by public utilities, \$31 million by manufacturers of food, liquor, and tobacco products, \$26 million by unclassified borrowers, and \$25 million by commodity dealers were the principal factors in the \$99 million decrease in commercial, industrial, and agricultural loans at weekly reporting member banks during the week ended February 18. Partially offsetting increases included \$18 million to manufacturers of textiles, apparel, and leather products, \$10 million to sales finance companies, and \$9 million to manufacturers and producers of petroleum, coal, chemicals, and rubber products.

Following six weeks of increases, loans to manufacturers of metals and metal products decreased \$11 million during the week. The increase in loans to sales finance companies was the first weekly increase in this business category this year. Practically all of the declines in loans to public utilities occurred in the New York and Cleveland districts and were reported as resulting from refinancing by means of securities issues.

Changes in loans during the week and since mid-1952 were as follows:

<u>Business of Borrower</u>	Week ended February 18 <sup>p/</sup>	Since June 25 <sup>p/</sup>
	(In millions of dollars)	
Manufacturing and mining:		
Food, liquor, and tobacco	- 31	+620
Textiles, apparel, and leather	+ 18	+ 26
Metals and metal products	- 11	+117
Petroleum, coal, chemicals, & rubber	+ 9	+246
Other manufacturing and mining	- 1	+ 18
Trade -- wholesale and retail	- 1	+107
Commodity dealers	- 25	+504
Sales finance companies	+ 10	+416
Public utilities and transportation	- 46	-100
Construction	- 4	+ 11
Other types of business	+ 8	+173
Classified changes - net	- 74	+2,137
Unclassified changes - net	- 26	-206
Net change in commercial, industrial, and agricultural loans	- 99	+1,931

<sup>p/</sup> Preliminary; see footnote on attached table.

CHANGES IN COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL LOANS OF A SAMPLE OF WEEKLY REPORTING MEMBER BANKS  
BY INDUSTRY AND FEDERAL RESERVE DISTRICT,  
WEEK ENDED WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 1953

(In millions of dollars)

Business of Borrower	All Dis- tricts <sup>p/</sup>	Boston	New York	Phila- delphia	Cleve- land	Rich- mond	Atlanta	Chicago	St. Louis	Minne- apolis	Kansas City	Dallas	San Fran- cisco <sup>p/</sup>
Manufacturing and mining:													
Food, liquor, and tobacco	-31.2	- .5	-12.7	- 1.3	- .5	- 2.5	+ .2	- 7.7	- 1.7	- .5	+ .4	- 2.6	- 1.8
Textiles, apparel, and leather	+17.5	+ 1.6	+ 6.0	+ 2.5	+ .3	- .3	+ .3	+ 1.1	+ 5.2	+ .1	+ .5	+ .2	--
Metals and metal products (including machinery & transportation equipment)	-10.8	- 2.6	-14.6	+ .3	+ 1.9	+ .4	+ .2	--	+ .5	+ 1.0	+ .6	+ .6	+ .9
Petroleum, coal, chemicals, and rubber	+ 9.1	- .6	+ 1.0	- .7	+ 4.3	+ .1	+ .4	+ 1.7	--	+ .9	- .1	+ 1.7	+ .4
Other manufacturing and mining	- 1.4	- .3	- 1.9	+ 1.7	- 4.2	+ .1	+ .3	+ 1.9	+ .5	+ .6	+ .1	+ .1	- .3
Trade:													
Wholesale	(- .5)	+ .8	+ 1.2	+ 1.2	+ 1.0	+ .2	--	+ 1.2	+ .3	+ .7	+ .2	(+ 1.9)	- 3.4
Retail		+ .6	- 5.2	- 5.7	--	+ .3	+ .5	+ 1.1	+ .6	- .2	+ 1.0		+ 1.2
Commodity dealers	-24.7	- .3	-15.4	- 1.5	+ .2	- .7	- 1.4	- .2	- 4.0	- .5	+ 1.0	- 2.3	+ .4
Sales finance companies	+ 9.7	+ .7	+15.6	- 3.6	+ .3	- 2.7	+ 1.2	- .5	- .2	+ .5	--	- 2.8	+ 1.2
Public utilities (including transportation)	-46.0	- .9	-21.7	+ .5	-17.4	+ .2	- .3	- 8.2	+ .2	+ .2	- .1	- 1.1	+ 2.6
Construction	- 3.6	- 1.1	- 1.4	+ .1	- .6	+ .1	- .2	- 2.4	- .1	+ .5	--	+ .4	+ 1.1
All other types of business	+ 8.4	- .2	+11.1	+ .4	- .6	+ .4	+ .1	- 1.8	+ .4	- .1	+ .1	- .9	- .5
Net change in classified loans <sup>1/</sup>	-73.5	- 2.8	-38.0	- 6.1	-15.3	- 4.4	+ 1.3	-13.8	+ 1.7	+ 3.2	+ 3.7	- 4.8	+ 1.8
Unclassified changes - net	-25.5	+ .8	- 4.0	- .9	- 2.7	- 1.6	- .3	- 4.2	- 1.7	+ .8	- .7	+ .8	-11.8
Net change in commercial, industrial, and agricultural loans	-99.0	- 2.0	-42.0	- 7.0	-18.0	- 6.0	+ 1.0	-18.0	--	+ 4.0	+ 3.0	- 4.0	-10.0

<sup>p/</sup> Preliminary; final totals will appear in the F.R. Bulletin and final San Francisco District figures appear in a release of the Reserve Bank.

<sup>1/</sup> About 210 weekly reporting member banks are reporting changes in their larger loans as to industry; these banks hold over 90 per cent of total commercial and industrial loans of all weekly reporting member banks and about 70 per cent of those of all commercial banks.