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CHANGES IN COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL LOANS BY INDUSTRY

Net decreases of \$44 million in loans to sales finance companies and \$42 million to commodity dealers were the principal factors in the \$97 million decrease in commercial, industrial, and agricultural loans at weekly reporting member banks during the week ended January 12.

The decrease in loans to commodity dealers was the largest weekly decrease in this business category since March 1954; it occurred largely in the New York and St. Louis Districts, although seven other districts showed decreases. An \$18 million decrease in loans to manufacturers or producers of petroleum, coal, chemicals, and rubber products followed three consecutive weekly increases. Net repayments of \$11 million were made by the wholesale and retail trade, the fifth consecutive weekly decrease. Following two weeks of relatively small decreases, loans to manufacturers of textiles, apparel, and leather products increased \$11 million during the week.

Changes in loans during the week and since mid-year are shown below; the third column shows the changes during the comparable period last year:

<u>Business of Borrower</u>	Week ended Jan. 12 ^{p/}	<u>Cumulative since mid-year</u>	
		June 30, 1954 to Jan. 12, 1955 ^{p/}	July 1, 1953 to Jan. 13, 1954
(In millions of dollars)			
Manufacturing and mining:			
Food, liquor, and tobacco	- 4	+425	+450
Textiles, apparel, and leather	+11	- 16	-107
Metals and metal products	+ 2	-543	-456
Petroleum, coal, chemicals, & rubber	-18	+ 79	+133
Other manufacturing and mining	+ 5	- 64	- 71
Trade -- wholesale and retail	-11	+ 53	- 72
Commodity dealers	-42	+473	+357
Sales finance companies	-44	+ 30	-226
Public utilities and transportation	- 1	-230	+ 91
Construction	+ 5	+ 86	- 29
Other types of business	+ 4	+134	+ 99
Classified changes - net	-94	+426	+170
Unclassified changes - net	- 3	- 73	+ 91
Net change in commercial, industrial, and agricultural loans	-97	+353	+261

^{p/} 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, JANUARY 12, 1955

Business of Borrower	All Dis- tricts <u>p/</u>	Boston	New York	Phila- delphia	Cleve- land	Rich- mond	Atlanta	Chicago	St. Louis	Minne- apolis	Kansas City	Dallas	San Fran- cisco <u>p/</u>
	(In millions of dollars)												
Manufacturing and mining:													
Food, liquor, and tobacco	- 3.7	- 2.0	+ 7.2	- .9	- .2	- .6	+ .5	- 4.0	- 1.8	- .3	- 1.2	- .5	+ .1
Textiles, apparel, and leather	+10.7	+ 1.5	+ 5.7	--	--	- .4	- .1	+ 1.8	+ .9	--	+ .1	+ .6	+ .6
Metals and metal products (including machinery & transportation equipment)	+ 2.0	- 3.2	+ 2.1	+ .6	+ .7	--	+ .3	+ 2.1	--	- .2	+ .2	+ .2	- .8
Petroleum, coal, chemicals, and rubber	-18.1	- .3	- 8.0	+ .2	- 2.3	--	+ .5	- 4.0	+ .1	- .2	- 1.3	- 2.6	- .2
Other manufacturing and mining	+ 5.2	+ 1.0	+ 3.1	- .4	- 2.0	--	+ .3	+ 3.6	+ .2	+ .1	+ .5	- 1.1	- .1
Trade:													
Wholesale	(-11.2)	- .8	- 3.5	- 2.3	- .5	+ .1	- .9	- 1.5	- .8	- .2	+ .4	(+ .7)	+ 1.1
Retail	(-11.2)	--	- 1.3	+ 1.0	- .2	- .4	- 2.0	+ .3	--	+ .6	+ .8	(+ .7)	- 1.8
Commodity dealers	-42.3	- 1.9	-19.8	- .8	+ .2	- .9	- 1.0	+ .1	-15.3	- .7	- 1.5	+ 1.3	- 2.0
Sales finance companies	-44.1	- 2.2	-22.4	- .1	- 6.5	- 1.4	- .1	-14.0	+ .3	+ .3	- .1	+ .1	+ 2.0
Public utilities (including transportation)	- 1.1	+ .1	- .7	+ .3	+ .3	- .4	+ .8	- .6	+ .4	--	+ 1.1	- .1	- 2.3
Construction	+ 4.9	- .5	- .4	+ .7	+ 3.9	- .1	+ .2	- 2.1	+ .5	- 1.1	+ .1	+ 3.3	+ .4
All other types of business	+ 3.6	+ .5	+ 7.3	+ 1.3	- 1.8	- 3.1	- .9	+ .3	- .7	- .4	- 2.1	+ 2.9	+ .3
Net change in classified loans <u>1/</u>	-94.1	- 7.8	-30.7	- .4	- 8.4	- 7.2	- 2.4	-18.0	-16.2	- 2.1	- 3.0	+ 4.8	- 2.7
Unclassified changes - net	- 2.9	- 7.2	- 8.3	- 1.6	- 1.6	+ .2	- 2.6	-18.0	- .8	- 2.9	- 1.0	+ 4.2	+36.7
Net change in commercial, industrial, and agricultural loans	-97.0	-15.0	-39.0	- 2.0	-10.0	- 7.0	- 5.0	-36.0	-17.0	- 5.0	- 4.0	+ 9.0	+34.0

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

1/ About 220 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 nearly 70 per cent of those of all commercial banks.