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CHANGES IN COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL LOANS BY INDUSTRY

Practically all industrial classifications participated in the increase of \$97 million in commercial, industrial, and agricultural loans at weekly reporting member banks during the week ended July 27. The two exceptions were in loans to manufacturers of food, liquor, and tobacco products and to manufacturers of metals and metal products.

The principal increases were \$38 million in loans to "other" types of business, \$26 million to public utilities, \$17 million to sales finance companies, and \$13 million to commodity dealers.

During the first seven months of 1955, the increase in commercial, industrial, and agricultural loans at weekly reporting member banks totaled \$1.1 billion compared with a decrease of \$1.9 billion for the corresponding period of 1954. By industry, as shown by the table below, the most significant changes were in loans to manufacturers of metals and metal products and to sales finance companies, where borrowings increased \$682 million during the current period in contrast to repayments of \$899 million a year ago.

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

<u>Business of Borrower</u>	<u>Week ended July 27</u> p/	<u>Cumulative since year-end</u>	
		<u>Dec. 29, 1954 to July 27, 1955</u> p/	<u>Dec. 30, 1953 to July 28, 1954</u>
(In millions of dollars)			
Manufacturing and mining:			
Food, liquor, and tobacco	- 17	- 606	- 500
Textiles, apparel, and leather	+ 10	+ 247	+ 91
Metals and metal products	- 4	+ 130	- 710
Petroleum, coal, chemicals & rubber	+ 1	+ 331	- 75
Other manufacturing and mining	+ 4	+ 182	- 14
Trade -- wholesale and retail	+ 8	+ 176	- 67
Commodity dealers	+ 13	- 395	- 297
Sales finance companies	+ 17	+ 552	- 189
Public utilities and transportation	+ 26	+ 384	+ 38
Construction	+ 7	+ 167	+ 87
Other types of business	+ 38	+ 222	+ 77
Classified changes - net	+104	+1,391	-1,559
Unclassified changes - net	- 7	- 288	- 297
Net change in commercial, industrial, and agricultural loans	+ 97	+1,103	-1,856

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, JULY 27, 1955

Business of Borrower	All Dis- tricts p/	Boston	New York	Phila- delphia	Cleve- land	Rich- mond	Atlanta	Chicago	St. Louis	Minne- apolis	Kansas City	Dallas	San Fran- cisco p/
	(In millions of dollars)												
Manufacturing and mining:													
Food, liquor, and tobacco	- 17.3	+ .8	-25.1	- 1.1	- .3	+ 1.9	- 1.7	- .4	+ 3.2	+ .1	+ 2.5	- .1	+ 2.9
Textiles, apparel, and leather	+ 10.4	+ 1.2	+ 7.0	+ .6	+ .4	- .6	- .3	+ .8	+ 1.2	+ .1	- .1	+ .1	--
Metals and metal products (including machinery & transportation equipment)	- 3.7	- 1.4	+ 2.0	- 2.1	- .3	--	+ .6	- 1.7	- .8	- .9	--	+ .7	+ .2
Petroleum, coal, chemicals, and rubber	+ 1.4	+ 1.3	+ 3.0	- .4	+ .3	- .2	+ .4	+ .1	- .1	+ .2	- 1.0	- 2.9	+ .7
Other manufacturing and mining	+ 4.1	+ .6	+ 2.3	+ .5	+ .1	--	+ .2	- .3	- .2	- .2	+ .3	+ .1	+ .7
Trade:													
Wholesale	{ + 7.5 }	- .4	+ 5.9	- .9	+ .4	+ 1.0	- .2	- 1.6	+ .1	+ .4	+ .9	(+ 1.9)	+ .1
Retail		- 1.0	- 3.2	- .2	+ 1.4	+ .2	+ .2	- .2	+ .5	- .2	- .2		(+ 1.9)
Commodity dealers	+ 13.3	- 1.3	+10.4	+ 1.9	+ 1.5	+ 1.6	+ 1.4	+ 1.7	- 6.7	- 1.4	+ 3.6	+ .8	- .2
Sales finance companies	+ 17.0	- .6	+12.7	- .4	+ .1	- 1.0	- .5	+ 5.6	+ .9	- 1.3	- .8	+ 1.7	+ .6
Public utilities (including transportation)	+ 26.2	+ 5.0	+18.6	+ 1.2	- .3	+ .3	+ .3	+ .2	+ .2	+ .2	+ .1	--	+ .4
Construction	+ 6.6	+ .2	+ 1.4	- .6	- .1	- .6	+ .4	+ .8	+ .6	- .8	+ 1.2	+ 3.3	+ .8
All other types of business	+ 38.4	+ .6	+21.4	+ .8	- .7	+ 2.2	+ 2.5	+ 6.0	+ 1.3	- .4	- 1.8	+ 3.2	+ 3.3
Net change in classified loans <u>1/</u>	+103.9	+ 5.0	+56.4	- .7	+ 2.5	+ 4.8	+ 3.3	+11.0	+ .2	- 4.2	+ 4.7	+ 8.8	+12.1
Unclassified changes - net	- 6.9	+ 2.0	+ 8.6	- .3	+ .5	+ 2.2	+ .7	+ 1.0	- 9.2	+ 2.2	- .7	- .8	-13.1
Net change in commercial, industrial, and agricultural loans	+ 97.0	+ 7.0	+65.0	- 1.0	+ 3.0	+ 7.0	+ 4.0	+12.0	- 9.0	- 2.0	+ 4.0	+ 8.0	- 1.0

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.