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## CHANGES IN COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL LOANS BY INDUSTRY

Net decreases of \$51 million in loans to sales finance companies, \$27 million to "other" types of business, \$19 million to manufacturers of textiles, apparel, and leather products, and \$16 million to manufacturers of metals and metal products were largely offset by increases of \$65 million in loans to manufacturers of food, liquor, and tobacco products, \$38 million to the wholesale and retail trade, \$22 million to commodity dealers, and \$16 million to manufacturers and producers of petroleum, coal, chemicals, and rubber products. The net decrease in commercial and industrial loans at weekly reporting member banks during the week ended October 17 was \$7 million.

The decrease in loans to manufacturers of textiles, apparel, and leather products was the largest weekly decrease in this category since last February and it was reflected in all districts.

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:

|                                     |  | Cumulative since mid-year              |               |  |  |  |  |  |
|-------------------------------------|--|--|---------------|--|--|--|--|--|
|                                     | Week                                   | June 27, 1956                          | June 29, 1955 |  |  |  |  |  |
|                                     | ended ,                                | to                                     | to            |  |  |  |  |  |
| Business of Borrower                | Oct. 17 <u>P</u> /                     | Oct. 17, 1956p/                        | Oct. 19, 1955 |  |  |  |  |  |
|                                     |  | (In millions of dollars                | )             |  |  |  |  |  |
| Manufacturing and mining:           |  |  | •             |  |  |  |  |  |
| Food, liquor, and tobacco           | +65                                    | + 426                                  | + 249         |  |  |  |  |  |
| Textiles, apparel, and leather      | <b>-</b> 19                            | + 74                                   | + 155         |  |  |  |  |  |
| Metals and metal products           | -16                                    | - 347                                  | + 5           |  |  |  |  |  |
| Petroleum, coal, chemicals, & rub   | ber+16                                 | + 395                                  | + 67          |  |  |  |  |  |
| Other manufacturing and mining      | -12                                    | + 133                                  | + 59          |  |  |  |  |  |
|                                     |  |  |               |  |  |  |  |  |
| Tradewholesale and retail           | +38                                    | + 153                                  | + 246         |  |  |  |  |  |
| Commodity dealers                   | +22                                    | + 458                                  | + 314         |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sales finance companies             | <del>-</del> 51                        | <b>-</b> 479                           | - 65          |  |  |  |  |  |
| Public utilities and transportation | -12                                    | + 149                                  | <b>-</b> 15   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Construction                        | - 6                                    | <b>→</b> 31                            | + 73          |  |  |  |  |  |
| All other types of business         | -27                                    | + 129                                  | + 270         |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Classified changes - net            | - 2                                    | +1,060                                 | +1,359        |  |  |  |  |  |
| Unclassified changes - net          | <u>- 5</u>                             | - 100                                  | 1/ - 96       |  |  |  |  |  |
| _                                   |  | MANAGEMENT SERVICES                    | <u> </u>      |  |  |  |  |  |
| Net change in commercial and        |  |  |               |  |  |  |  |  |
| industrial loans                    | <b>-</b> 7                             | + 960                                  | 1/ +1,263     |  |  |  |  |  |
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p/ Preliminary; see footnote on attached table.

<sup>1/</sup> Prior to 1956, unclassified changes and total net change included changes in agricultural loans.

## CHANGES IN COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL LOANS OF A SAMPLE OF WEEKLY REPORTING MEMBER BANKS BY INDUSTRY AND FEDERAL RESERVE DISTRICT, WEEK ENDED WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 17, 1956

| Business of Borrower   | All Dis-<br>tricts <u>P</u> / | Boston               | New<br>York    | Phila-<br>delphia    | Cleve-            | Rich-<br>mond | Atlanta           | Chicago      | St.<br>Louis     | Minne-<br>apolis  |                |                   | San Fran-<br>cisco P |
|--|-------------------------------|----------------------|----------------|----------------------|-------------------|---------------|-------------------|--------------|------------------|-------------------|----------------|-------------------|----------------------|
|  | (In millions of dollars)      |                      |                |                      |                   |               |                   |              |                  |                   |                |                   |                      |
| Manufacturing and mining: Food, liquor, and tobacco Textiles, apparel, and leather   | +65.3<br>-18.9                | 7<br>-3.4            | +46.6<br>- ·3  | +1.9<br>-2.0         | + 6.3             |               | 2<br>-1.5         | +2.2<br>-4.6 | <br>-2.2         | +2.0<br>6         | +1.5           |                   | •                    |
| Metals and metal products (including machinery & transportation equipment) Petroleum, coal, chemicals, and rubber Other manufacturing and mining | -15.8<br>+15.6<br>-11.5       | + .6<br>+ .3<br>-2.2 |                | + .2<br>+1.7<br>+ .3 | + .5<br>+ .9<br>3 |               | -1.6<br>+ .4<br>8 |              | -1.3<br><br>+ .2 | -1.3<br>+ .4<br>2 | 3<br>+ .7<br>1 | 2<br>+ .7<br>-1.1 | - 2.7<br>+ .6<br>3   |
| Trade: Wholesale Retail  | (+37.7)                       | +1.8                 | + 2.9<br>+ 7.9 | +1.9                 | + ·7<br>+ 3·3     | 8<br>+ 3.5    | +2.6<br>          | +2.6<br>+1.5 | +4.2<br>+1.8     | - ·3<br>+2.7      | + .1<br>1      | (+3.2)            | - 4.8<br>+ 3.4       |
| Commodity dealers  | +21.5                         | +4.6                 | +11.8          | <b></b> 3            | + 3.0             | + .1          | +1.1              | +4.0         | +1.1             | 6                 | + .8           | 3                 | - 3.8                |
| Sales finance companies  | -51.3                         | -6.0                 | -15.0          | 5                    | -14.6             | - 4.9         | -2.8              | +6.3         | -3.0             | -2.6              | -1.8           | -1.8              | - 4.6                |
| Public utilities (including transportation)  | -12.3                         | + .8                 | - 4.4          | -1.0                 | 3                 | 8             | 3                 | +1.1         | + .1             | + .2              | + .1           | 4                 | - 7.4                |
| Construction   | - 6.0                         | 9                    | + 1.6          | +1.8                 | + .7              | - 3.5         |                   | + .4         | +1.3             | + .4              | + .1           | + .1              | - 8.0                |
| All other types of business  | -26.6                         | +5.9                 | -31.5          | 5                    | + 1.8             | - 2.4         | -2.3              | +2.1         | 5                | 1                 | + .7           | -3.3              | + 3.5                |
| Net change in classified loans $1/$  | - 2.3                         | 4                    | +21.9          | +4.3                 | +1.4              | -12.2         | -5.4              | +8.2         | +1.7             |                   | + .2           | -1.9              | -20.1                |
| Unclassified changes - net   | - 4.7                         | 6                    | -16.9          | +2.7                 | - 1.4             | + 2.2         | + •4              | -3.2         | 7                | -2.0              | +2.8           | +3.9              | + 8.1                |
| Net change in commercial and industrial loans  | - 7.0                         | -1.0                 | + 5.0          | +7.0                 |                   | -10.0         | -5.0              | +5.0         | +1.0             | -2.0              | +3.0           | +2.0              | -12.0                |

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.

<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 nearly 70 per cent of those of all commercial banks.