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CHANGES IN COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL LOANS BY INDUSTRY

Net repayments of \$28 million in loans to manufacturers of food, liquor, and tobacco products, \$28 million to public utilities, \$21 million to sales finance companies, \$16 million to "other" types of business and \$37 million to unclassified borrowers were the principal factors in the \$106 million net decrease in commercial and industrial loans at weekly reporting member banks during the week ended April 3.

The only sizable offsetting increase reported during the week was \$26 million in loans to manufacturers of metals and metal products.

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

<u>Business of Borrower</u>	Week ended <u>Apr. 3^{p/}</u>	Cumulative since year-end	
		<u>Dec. 26, 1956</u> to <u>Apr. 3, 1957^{p/}</u>	<u>Dec. 28, 1955</u> to <u>Apr. 4, 1956</u>
(In millions of dollars)			
Manufacturing and mining:			
Food, liquor, and tobacco	- 28	-333	- 220
Textiles, apparel, and leather	- 2	+134	+ 146
Metals and metal products	+ 26	+587	+ 816
Petroleum, coal, chemicals, & rubber-	8	+ 45	+ 271
Other manufacturing and mining	+ 2	+114	+ 218
Trade--wholesale and retail	+ 8	-117	+ 105
Commodity dealers	+ 3	-250	- 120
Sales finance companies	- 21	+114	- 292
Public utilities and transportation	- 28	+112	+ 120
Construction	- 5	- 48	- 27
All other types of business	<u>- 16</u>	<u>-148</u>	<u>- 45</u>
Classified changes - net	- 69	+210	+ 973
Unclassified changes - net	<u>- 37</u>	<u>-152</u>	<u>- 24</u>
Net change in commercial and industrial loans	-106	+ 58	+ 949

^{p/} Preliminary; see footnote on attached table.

In addition to the weekly table, a monthly table is attached showing changes during March compared with the preceding month and with March 1956, and also showing changes during the past twelve months.

All industrial classifications except commodity dealers increased borrowings in March, as they did in March 1956. The increase in loans to manufacturers of metals and metal products was the largest monthly increase in this business category since March 1956, and the increase in other manufacturing and mining was the largest since last June. The net decrease in loans to commodity dealers was the largest monthly decrease in this classification since March 1955.

CHANGES IN COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL LOANS OF A SAMPLE OF WEEKLY REPORTING MEMBER BANKS
BY INDUSTRY AND FEDERAL RESERVE DISTRICT,
WEEK ENDED WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3, 1957

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	- 27.8	-2.0	-24.7	+ .5	+ .1	+ .1	+2.2	+ 4.6	-2.2	+ .7	-1.8	- .8	- 4.5
Textiles, apparel, and leather	- 2.1	-3.9	- .7	+1.2	- .2	+2.1	+ .2	+ .9	-2.8	+ .1	+ .3	--	+ .7
Metals and metal products (including machinery & transportation equipment)	+ 26.0	-3.4	+ 4.7	+4.6	+ 4.7	+ .4	- .8	+ 4.5	+ .1	- .1	+1.6	+1.7	+ 8.0
Petroleum, coal, chemicals, and rubber	- 8.3	- .3	- 5.1	- .3	- .5	- .2	+1.0	- 4.8	- .5	- .1	+ .1	+2.7	- .3
Other manufacturing and mining	+ 1.8	+1.5	- 2.3	- .8	+ 1.1	+ .5	+ .5	- 1.9	- .7	+ .1	+ .9	+ .1	+ 2.8
Trade:													
Wholesale	(-2.3	- 3.7	- .8	+ .1	+ .6	+3.4	- 3.9	- .6	+ .2	- .6	(+ 3.9
Retail	+ 7.5)	-1.7	+ 7.1	-1.7	+ .1	+ .1	+ .7	+ 3.0	+1.0	+ .4	- .4	(-2.0)	+ 4.6
Commodity dealers	+ 3.3	+ .9	+ .3	- .4	- 2.9	+ .2	- .5	- 4.1	+6.9	- .4	-1.2	+5.7	- 1.2
Sales finance companies	- 21.2	+1.9	- 8.7	- .8	+ 1.3	-5.0	-1.5	-20.0	-1.1	-1.2	+2.6	+9.5	+ 1.8
Public utilities (including transportation)	- 28.2	- .1	-24.8	- .4	- 3.5	+ .2	-1.3	- 2.1	--	--	- .5	--	+ 4.3
Construction	- 4.8	+ .3	- 1.2	- .2	- .3	- .6	- .2	+ 3.2	- .1	-1.2	-1.2	-2.4	- .9
All other types of business	- 15.5	- .1	+ 5.0	-4.0	+ .2	-4.3	-5.0	--	+ .3	+ .9	-1.7	-6.3	- .5
Net change in classified loans <u>1/</u>	- 69.3	-9.2	-54.1	-3.1	+ .2	-5.9	-1.3	-20.6	+ .3	- .6	-1.9	+8.2	+18.7
Unclassified changes - net	- 36.7	+ .2	-11.9	+5.1	+ 9.8	+5.9	+ .3	- 3.4	-7.3	- .4	- .1	+ .8	-35.7
Net change in commercial and industrial loans	-106.0	-9.0	-66.0	+2.0	+10.0	--	-1.0	-24.0	-7.0	-1.0	-2.0	+9.0	-17.0

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 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.

Business of Borrower	4 weeks ended Mar. 27, 1957	4 weeks ended Feb. 27, 1957	4 weeks ended Mar. 28, 1956	12 months ended Mar. 27, 1957
	(In millions of dollars)			
Manufacturing and mining:				
Food, liquor, and tobacco	+ 38.8	- 89.5	+ 42.7	+ 405.9
Textiles, apparel, and leather	+ 75.1	+ 84.1	+ 84.1	+ 230.9
Metals and metal products (including machinery and transportation equipment)	+ 442.8	+137.8	+ 509.6	+1,026.4
Petroleum, coal, chemicals, and rubber	+ 80.1	- 44.7	+ 111.2	+ 700.7
Other manufacturing and mining	+ 91.5	+ 41.8	+ 145.1	+ 339.0
Trade -- wholesale and retail	+ 80.3	+ 28.7	+ 106.9	+ 129.3
Commodity dealers	- 111.0	- 74.2	- 72.6	+ 202.6
Sales finance companies	+ 291.6	+ 30.4	+ 157.5	+ 232.7
Public utilities (including transportation)	+ 89.7	- 50.1	+ 226.2	+ 550.3
Construction	+ 2.1	- 8.1	+ 2.9	- 25.5
All other types of business	+ 8.2	- 33.1	+ 60.4	+ 211.7
Net change in classified loans <u>1/</u>	+1,089.2	+ 23.1	+1,374.0	+4,004.0
Unclassified changes - net	+ 51.8	+ 31.9	+ 96.0	- 258.0
Net change in commercial and industrial loans	+1,141.0	+ 55.0	+1,470.0	+3,746.0

1/ See footnote on preceding table regarding current coverage.