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DECONTROLLED AFTER SIX MONTHSMATURITIES ON AUTOMOBILE INSTALMENT LOANS MARCH 1961 AND FEBRUARY 1961

(Percentage distribution of contracts)

Maturities	Tot	iel.		chased :	Direct loans		
	Mar.	Feb.	Mar.	Feb.	Mar.	Feb.	
New cars 24 conths or less 25-30 conths 31-36 conths Over 36 conths Total	30.2 9.0 60.4 0.4 100.0	29.8 9.8 60.0 0.4 100.0	22.5 7.2 69.8 0.5	22.2 7.7 69.6 0.5 100.0	44.8 12.7 42.4 0.1 100.0	45.5 14.3 40.0 0.2 100.0	
Used cars 1/ 12 months or less 13-18 months 19-24 months Over 24 months Total	19.2 18.4 38.7 23.7	20.9 18.8 38.2 22.1 100.0	14.9 16.6 39.3 29.2 100.0	15.7 17.0 39.4 27.9	27.8 21.9 37.4 12.9 100.0	30.9 22.3 35.9 10.9	

1/ Figures are predominantly for late model used cars but include data from a few banks for all used cars.

NOTE: Distributions are based on tabulations of data from 128 banks for February and March and are not intended to be estimates for all commercial banks. In March reports covered about 36,000 contracts on new cars, 24 000 purchased and 12,000 direct, and 23 000 contracts on used cars 15 000 purchased and 8 000 direct. Since composition of the group of banks changes from month to month data are not comparable with previous releases.

For distribution according to maturities and contract balance as a percentage of dealer cost see following page.

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DEALER COST RATIOS AND MATURITIES ON AUTOMOBILE INSTALMENT LOANS

MARCH 1961 AND FEBRUARY 1961

NEW CARS

(Percentage distribution of contracts)

	Maturities										
Contract balance	24 months		25 - 30		31-36		Over 36		Total		
as percentage of	or	less	months		months		months				
dealer cost 1/	Mar.	Feb.	Mar.	Feb.	Mar.	Feb.	Mar.	Feb.	Mar.	Feb.	
	PURCHASED PAPER										
80% or less 81% ot 90% 91% to 100% 101% to 110% Over 110% Total	12.9 4.5 3.8 1.1 0.7	12.4 4.1 4.2 0.9 0.5	2.4 1.6 2.2 0.6 0.4 7.2	2.4 1.8 2.5 0.7 0.4 7.8	13.0 16.4 23.9 10.6 5.7 69.6	12.7 16.6 23.5 11.3 5.8	* 0.1 0.1 * 0.2	* 0.1 * 0.1 0.2	28.3 22.5 30.0 12.4 6.8	27.5 22.5 30.3 12.9 6.8	
	DIRECT LOANS										
80% or less 81% to 90% 91% to 100% 101% to 110% Over 110%	24.8 8.0 10.5 1.8 0.7	21.1 7.7 10.8 2.3 1.0	8.0 2.6 3.1 1.2 0.3	7.9 2.2 6.1 0.9 0.5	12.9 8.0 12.7 3.6 1.7	11.7 8.2 13.5 3.8 2.3	0.1 * * *	* * * *	45.8 18.6 26.3 6.6 2.7	40.7 18.1 30.4 7.0 3.8	
Total	45.8	42.9	15.2	17.6	38.9	39.5	0.1	*	100.0	100.0	
	TOTAL										
80% or less 81% to 90% 91% to 100% 101% to 110% Over 110% Total	16.1 5.5 5.7 1.2 0.8	14.7 5.0 5.9 1.3 0.6	4.0 1.9 2.4 0.8 0.3 9.4	3.8 2.0 3.4 0.8 0.4	13.0 14.0 20.8 8.7 4.6 61.1	12.4 14.4 20.9 9.3 5.0 62.0	* 0.1 0.1 * 0.2	* 0.1 * * 0.1	33.1 21.4 29.0 10.8 5.7	30.9 21.4 30.3 11.4 6.0	

 $[\]frac{1}{x}/$ Contract belance does not include finance and insurance charges. \overline{x}

NOTE: Distributions are based on tabulations of data from 62 banks for Febraury and March and are not intended to be estimates for all commercial banks. In March reports covered about 15 000 contracts on new cars 11 000 purchased and 4 000 direct. Since composition of the group of banks changes from month to month, data are not comparable with previous releases.

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DEALER COST RATIOS AND MATURITIES ON AUTOMOBILE INSTALMENT LOANS (continued)

MARCH 1961 AND FEBRUARY 1961

USED CARS

(Percentage distribution of contracts)

	Maturities									
Contract balance	12 months		13-18		19-24		Over 24		Total	
as percentage of	or less		conths		months		ronths			
wholesale value 1/2/	Mar.	Feb.	Mar.	Feb.	Mar.	Feb.	Mar.	Feb.	Mar.	Feb.
-	PURCHASED PAPER									
80% or less 81% to 90% 91% to 100% 101% to 110% 0ver 110%	4.4 2.4 3.5 2.0 3.1	4.5 2.3 3.0 2.6 3.7	3.5 2.5 3.0 2.6 4.2	3.7 2.1 3.0 2.4 4.9	6.7 6.5 10.5 6.6 10.1	6.0 5.1 10.0 6.8 11.5	3.9 5.3 6.9 4.7 7.6	3.3 4.4 7.5 4.9 8.3	18.5 16.7 23.9 15.9 25.0	13.9 23.5 16.7 28.4
Total	15.4	16.1	15.8	16.1	40.4	39.4	28.4	28.4	100.0	100.0
	DIRECT LOANS									
80% or less 81% to 90% 91% to 100% 101% to 110% Over 110%	15.4 2.9 6.5 3.3 1.9	17.2 3.2 5.7 3.8 3.2	3.2 5.8	9.2 3.3 5.4 2.7 2.8	4.6 9.7	10.0 4.1 7.3 5.7 7.3	1.3 1.3 2.7 2.1 2.6	1.5 0.9 2.0 2.0 2.7	36.3 12.0 24.7 13.6 13.4	37.9 11.5 20.4 14.2 16.0
Total	30.0	33.1	24.4	23.4	35.6	34.4	10.0	9.1	100.0	100.0
10 002	30.0 33.1 24.4 23.4 35.6 34.4 10.0 9.1 100.0 100.0 TOTAL									
80% or less 81% to 90% 91% to 100% 101% to 110% Over 110%	7.9 2.6 4.5 2.4 2.7	8.5 2.6 3.8 3.0 3.5	5.3 2.7 3.9 2.9 3.8	5.4 2.4 3.8 2.5 4.3	7.9 5.9 10.2 6.1 8.8	7.2 4.8 9.2 6.5 10.1	3.1 4.0 5.5 3.8 6.0	2.7 3.3 5.8 4.0 6.6	24.2 15.2 24.1 15.2 21.3	23.8 13.1 22.6 16.0 24.5
Total	20.1	21.4	18.6	18.4	38.9	37.8	22.4	22.4	100.0	100.0
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^{1/} Contract balance does not include finance and insurance charges.
2/ Wholesale value represents "average wholesale," "as is," "or buying value" as indicated by used car guides.

NOTE: Distributions are based on tabulations of data from 42 banks for February and March and are not intended to be estimates for all commercial banks. In March reports covered about 10,000 contracts on used cars, 7,000 purchased and 3,000 direct. Since composition of the group of banks changes from month to month, data are not comparable with previous releases.

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