

Monthly BUSINESS STATISTICS



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[Averages for the year 1957 are provided in the May 1958 issue of the SURVEY]

Unless otherwise stated, statistics through 1956 and descriptive notes are shown in the 1957 edition of BUSINESS STATISTICS	1957						1958							
	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August
GENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORS														
NATIONAL INCOME AND PRODUCT														
Seasonally adjusted quarterly totals at annual rates:†														
National income, total..... bil. of dol.			368.7			361.5			350.6					
Compensation of employees, total..... do.			257.3			254.8			250.9			250.7		
Wages and salaries, total..... do.			240.5			238.0			234.4			234.2		
Private..... do.			199.9			197.4			192.7			191.8		
Military..... do.			9.8			9.5			9.4			9.6		
Government civilian..... do.			30.8			31.1			32.3			32.8		
Supplements to wages and salaries..... do.			16.8			16.8			16.5			16.4		
Proprietors' and rental income, total‡..... do.			55.5			55.0			55.3			56.2		
Business and professional‡..... do.			31.7			31.3			30.6			30.7		
Farm..... do.			11.8			11.5			12.6			13.4		
Rental income of persons..... do.			12.0			12.2			12.1			12.1		
Corporate profits and inventory valuation adjustment, total..... bil. of dol.			43.1			38.8			31.3					
Corporate profits before tax, total..... do.			44.2			39.9			31.7					
Corporate profits tax liability..... do.			22.0			19.9			16.1					
Corporate profits after tax..... do.			22.1			20.0			15.5					
Inventory valuation adjustment..... do.			-1.1			-1.1			-3			.5		
Net interest..... do.			12.8			12.9			13.0			13.1		
Gross national product, total..... do.			445.6			438.9			425.8			429.0		
Personal consumption expenditures, total..... do.			288.3			287.2			286.2			288.3		
Durable goods..... do.			40.4			39.6			36.3			35.6		
Nondurable goods..... do.			140.5			138.8			139.8			141.4		
Services..... do.			107.4			108.7			110.1			111.3		
Gross private domestic investment, total..... do.			66.7			61.5			49.6			49.2		
New construction..... do.			36.6			37.1			36.3			34.9		
Producers' durable equipment..... do.			28.0			26.7			22.9			22.3		
Change in business inventories..... do.			2.2			-2.3			-9.5			-8.0		
Net foreign investment..... do.			3.6			1.9			.5			.5		
Government purchases of goods and services, total..... bil. of dol.			87.0			88.3			89.5			90.9		
Federal (less Government sales)..... do.			50.9			50.5			50.9			51.9		
National security‡..... do.			46.9			46.0			45.6			46.0		
State and local..... do.			36.1			37.8			38.6			39.1		
Personal income, total..... do.			351.8			349.7			347.3			349.8		
Less: Personal tax and nontax payments..... do.			43.1			43.0			42.3			42.3		
Equals: Disposable personal income..... do.			308.7			306.8			305.0			307.5		
Personal saving§..... do.			20.4			19.6			18.8			19.2		
PERSONAL INCOME, BY SOURCE														
Seasonally adjusted, at annual rates:†														
Total personal income..... bil. of dol.	351.8	352.1	351.4	350.6	350.2	348.4	348.2	346.4	347.1	348.1	349.9	352.0	† 354.2	355.6
Wage and salary disbursements, total..... do.	240.5	240.8	240.2	238.6	238.0	237.3	235.1	233.2	232.6	232.0	233.1	235.8	† 242.2	238.4
Commodity-producing industries..... do.	103.3	103.1	102.4	101.5	101.0	99.8	97.9	95.6	95.3	95.0	95.6	96.6	† 97.1	97.4
Distributive industries..... do.	64.0	64.2	64.2	63.5	63.6	63.7	63.5	63.4	62.9	62.4	62.6	63.3	† 63.5	63.6
Service industries..... do.	32.8	32.9	32.9	32.9	32.9	33.2	33.1	33.2	33.3	33.4	33.4	33.6	† 33.7	33.8
Government..... do.	40.4	40.6	40.7	40.7	40.5	40.6	40.7	41.0	41.1	41.2	41.5	42.4	† 48.0	43.0
Other labor income..... do.	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.1	9.0	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	9.0	9.1
Proprietors' and rental income..... do.	55.6	55.6	55.4	55.1	54.8	55.2	55.1	55.3	55.7	56.1	56.5	56.2	† 56.3	56.4
Personal interest income and dividends..... do.	31.7	31.8	31.8	31.8	31.8	30.0	31.8	31.8	31.7	31.7	31.7	31.8	† 31.8	31.9
Transfer payments..... do.	21.7	21.5	21.5	22.6	23.0	23.3	23.9	23.8	24.8	26.1	26.4	26.0	† 26.5	28.7
Less personal contributions for social insurance..... do.														
bil. of dol.	6.7	6.7	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.7	6.7	6.6	6.6	6.7	6.7	7.0	6.8
Total nonagricultural income..... do.	336.2	336.6	336.1	335.7	335.2	333.0	332.5	330.1	330.5	331.0	332.4	335.1	† 342.0	338.9

* Revised. † Italicized total excludes and other footnoted figures include lump-sum retroactive salary payments to Federal employees; disbursements of \$380 million multiplied by 12 (to put on annual rate basis) amounted to \$4.6 billion. ‡ Revised series. § Estimates of national income and product and personal income have been revised back to 1946; revisions beginning 1946 appear on pp. 12 ff. of the July 1958 SURVEY. † Includes inventory valuation adjustment. ‡ Government sales are not deducted. § Personal saving is excess of disposable income over personal consumption expenditures shown as a component of gross national product above.