

Monthly BUSINESS STATISTICS



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Unless otherwise stated, statistics through 1956 and descriptive notes are shown in the 1957 edition of BUSINESS STATISTICS	1958						1959							
	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.			369.5			380.4			389.4					
Compensation of employees, total..... do.			258.5			262.9			269.9				278.9	
Wages and salaries, total..... do.			241.1			245.1			250.9				259.4	
Private..... do.			197.1			200.8			206.2				214.0	
Military..... do.			10.0			9.9			9.8				9.8	
Government civilian..... do.			34.0			34.4			34.8				35.6	
Supplements to wages and salaries..... do.			17.5			17.8			19.0				19.6	
Proprietors' income, total ² do.			46.8			47.4			46.9				46.6	
Business and professional ³ do.			32.6			33.2			33.7				34.5	
Farm..... do.			14.2			14.1			13.2				12.1	
Rental income of persons..... do.			11.9			11.9			12.0				12.0	
Corporate profits and inventory valuation adjustment, total..... bil. of dol.			38.0			43.5			45.5					
Corporate profits before tax, total..... do.			38.3			44.6			46.5					
Corporate profits tax liability..... do.			18.8			21.9			22.6					
Corporate profits after tax..... do.			19.5			22.7			23.8					
Inventory valuation adjustment..... do.			-3			-1.1			-9					
Net interest..... do.			14.4			14.7			15.1			15.4		
Gross national product, total ¶..... do.			444.0			457.1			470.2			484.5		
Personal consumption expenditures, total..... do.			294.4			299.1			303.9			311.2		
Durable goods..... do.			37.1			39.8			41.3			44.1		
Non-durable goods..... do.			143.1			143.6			145.3			147.7		
Services..... do.			114.2			115.7			117.4			119.4		
Gross private domestic investment, total..... do.			54.2			61.3			69.8			77.5		
New construction..... do.			35.4			37.3			39.7			41.0		
Producers' durable equipment..... do.			22.2			23.2			23.9			26.0		
Change in business inventories..... do.			-3.4			.8			6.1			10.4		
Net exports of goods and services ¶..... do.			1.6			.2			-9			-1.8		
Exports..... do.			23.1			22.7			21.5			22.1		
Imports..... do.			21.5			22.5			22.4			23.9		
Government purchases of goods and services, total ¶..... bil. of dol.			93.8			96.5			97.4			97.7		
Federal (less Government sales) ¶..... do.			53.1			54.2			53.8			53.9		
National defense ¶..... do.			44.5			45.3			45.8			46.2		
State and local..... do.			40.8			42.2			43.6			43.8		
Personal income, total..... do.			363.4			366.3			371.8			381.1		
Less: Personal tax and nontax payments..... do.			42.9			43.4			44.4			45.8		
Equals: Disposable personal income..... do.			320.4			322.9			327.4			335.3		
Personal saving §..... do.			26.0			23.7			23.5			24.1		
PERSONAL INCOME, BY SOURCE														
Seasonally adjusted, at annual rates:†														
Total personal income..... bil. of dol.	¹ 559.9	¹ 362.4	364.2	364.3	367.5	366.9	369.0	371.0	375.4	379.0	381.3	383.8	† 384.0	381.4
Wage and salary disbursements, total..... do.	¹ 243.2	¹ 241.3	242.5	242.1	246.1	247.0	248.7	250.1	254.0	257.3	259.8	261.7	† 261.5	258.9
Commodity-producing industries, total..... do.	97.2	97.9	99.3	98.7	101.8	102.2	102.8	103.5	106.3	108.6	109.8	110.9	† 109.9	106.7
Manufacturing only..... do.	76.1	76.7	77.9	76.9	79.7	80.6	80.9	81.7	83.8	85.4	86.7	87.7	† 86.9	83.9
Distributive industries..... do.	63.8	64.3	64.1	64.1	64.7	64.7	65.6	66.0	66.6	66.9	67.5	68.0	† 68.4	68.5
Service industries..... do.	34.8	35.0	35.0	35.2	35.3	35.6	35.6	36.0	36.4	36.8	37.1	37.2	† 37.3	37.6
Government..... do.	¹ 47.4	¹ 44.1	44.1	44.1	44.3	44.4	44.6	44.7	44.8	45.0	45.4	45.6	† 45.9	46.1
Other labor income..... do.	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.4	9.4	9.6	9.7	9.8	9.9	9.9	10.0	† 10.1	10.1
Proprietors' income:														
Business and professional..... do.	32.4	32.6	32.8	33.2	33.1	33.4	33.5	33.7	34.0	34.3	34.5	34.7	† 34.9	34.9
Farm..... do.	14.1	14.2	14.3	14.2	14.1	14.2	13.5	13.2	12.9	12.2	12.0	12.1	† 11.9	11.2
Rental income of persons..... do.	11.8	11.9	11.9	11.9	11.9	11.9	12.0	12.0	12.0	12.0	12.0	12.0	† 12.0	12.0
Dividends..... do.	12.6	12.6	12.6	12.6	12.6	10.8	12.7	12.8	12.8	12.9	13.0	13.1	† 13.2	13.4
Personal interest income..... do.	20.4	20.5	20.6	20.7	20.8	21.0	21.1	21.3	21.6	21.8	22.0	22.2	† 22.4	22.6
Transfer payments..... do.	26.8	27.2	27.3	27.4	26.6	26.3	26.1	26.4	26.6	26.9	26.4	26.4	† 26.3	26.6
Less personal contributions for social insur..... do.	7.2	7.1	7.1	7.1	7.1	7.1	8.1	8.1	8.2	8.3	8.3	8.4	† 8.4	8.4
Total nonagricultural income..... do.	¹ 345.7	¹ 344.5	346.1	346.3	349.6	348.8	351.6	353.8	358.5	362.7	365.3	367.8	† 368.3	366.4

* Revised. ¹ Italicized total excludes and other footnoted figures include lump-sum retroactive salary payments to Federal employees; disbursements (at seasonally adjusted annual rates) amounted to \$3.6 billion in July and \$0.2 billion in August. † Revised series. Estimates of national income and product and personal income have been revised back to 1940; revisions for 1946-55 appear on pp. 12 ff. of the July 1958 SURVEY and for 1956-April 1958 on pp. 10 ff. of the July 1959 SURVEY. ² Includes inventory valuation adjustment. ¶ For data in constant dollars and revised definitions for several components (also data back to 1950), see pp. 10 ff. of the December 1958 SURVEY. ³ 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.