

Table I-4.—Gross National Product or Expenditure, Quarterly, 1956-59

	1956	1957	1958	1959	1958				1959			
					I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV
<b>Gross national product</b> .....	419.2	442.5	441.7	479.5	103.4	107.7	110.2	120.5	112.9	120.2	118.2	123.2
<b>Personal consumption expenditures</b> .....	269.9	284.8	293.0	311.6	68.3	71.9	72.1	80.7	72.5	76.8	76.7	85.6
Durable goods.....	38.5	40.3	37.6	43.0	8.3	9.1	8.8	11.4	9.4	11.1	10.3	12.3
Nondurable goods.....	131.4	137.7	141.9	147.9	32.1	34.4	34.8	40.7	33.6	35.8	36.0	42.5
Services.....	100.0	106.7	113.4	120.7	28.0	28.3	28.5	28.6	29.6	30.0	30.4	30.7
<b>Gross private domestic investment</b> .....	67.4	66.6	54.9	71.1	13.0	12.3	14.4	15.2	17.2	19.1	17.2	17.7
New construction.....	35.5	36.1	35.8	40.2	7.5	8.7	9.8	9.8	8.3	10.2	11.4	10.3
Residential nonfarm.....	17.7	17.0	18.0	22.2	3.4	4.3	5.1	5.3	4.4	5.8	6.4	5.7
Other.....	17.8	19.0	17.7	18.0	4.1	4.4	4.7	4.5	3.9	4.5	5.0	4.6
Producers' durable equipment.....	27.2	28.5	22.9	26.1	5.6	6.0	5.3	6.0	5.7	7.0	6.3	7.2
Change in business inventories—total.....	4.7	2.0	-3.8	4.8	-1.1	-2.4	-1.8	-6.7	3.2	1.8	-5.1	.2
Nonfarm only.....	5.1	1.2	-4.9	3.9	-1.4	-2.6	-1.0	-8.8	2.9	1.6	-7.7	.1
<b>Net exports of goods and services (GNP basis)</b> .....	2.9	4.9	1.2	-1.8	.4	.4	0	.4	-2.2	-3.3	-5.5	.2
Exports.....	23.1	26.2	22.6	22.8	5.4	5.8	5.4	5.9	5.3	5.7	5.7	6.1
Imports.....	20.2	21.3	21.3	23.6	5.0	5.4	5.5	5.5	5.5	6.1	6.2	5.8
<b>Government purchases of goods and services</b> .....	79.0	86.2	92.6	97.6	21.7	23.1	23.7	24.2	23.5	24.6	24.8	24.7
Federal.....	45.7	49.4	52.2	53.5	12.5	12.9	13.3	13.5	13.4	13.6	13.5	13.1
National defense.....	40.4	44.3	44.5	45.8	10.9	11.2	11.2	11.2	11.4	11.7	11.5	11.2
Other.....	5.7	5.5	8.1	8.1	1.7	1.9	2.2	2.4	2.1	2.0	2.0	2.0
Less: Government sales.....	.3	.4	.5	.4	.1	.1	.1	.1	.1	.1	.1	.1
State and local.....	33.2	36.8	40.5	44.1	9.2	10.1	10.4	10.7	10.1	11.0	11.4	11.6

Table I-5.—Gross National Product or Expenditures, Seasonally Adjusted Quarterly Totals at Annual Rates, in Constant Dollars, 1956-59

	1956	1957	1958	1959	1958				1959			
					I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV
<b>Gross national product</b> .....	400.9	408.3	399.0	426.0	391.0	393.1	400.9	410.8	420.7	432.1	424.3	426.8
<b>Personal consumption expenditures</b> .....	264.3	270.8	273.3	287.6	268.7	271.1	275.0	278.4	282.3	288.3	288.8	291.1
Durable goods.....	38.0	38.5	35.7	40.2	35.2	35.0	35.3	37.5	38.8	41.2	40.6	40.2
Nondurable goods.....	130.3	132.6	133.7	139.3	131.3	132.7	135.3	135.6	137.3	139.7	139.4	140.7
Services.....	96.0	99.8	103.8	108.2	102.2	103.4	104.4	105.3	106.2	107.4	108.8	110.2
<b>Gross private domestic investment</b> .....	61.7	58.5	47.3	60.2	45.0	44.2	46.6	53.0	59.8	66.0	56.4	58.8
New construction.....	32.3	31.9	31.5	34.4	31.3	30.5	31.2	32.6	34.3	35.1	34.9	33.3
Residential nonfarm.....	16.2	15.4	16.2	19.4	15.4	15.3	16.3	17.8	19.3	20.2	19.7	18.4
Other.....	16.1	16.5	15.2	15.0	15.9	15.1	15.0	14.8	15.0	14.9	15.2	14.9
Producers' durable equipment.....	25.0	24.6	19.3	21.5	20.1	19.0	18.6	19.3	19.8	21.3	22.1	22.7
Change in business inventories—total.....	4.5	2.0	-3.5	4.4	-6.4	-5.3	-3.2	1.1	5.7	9.5	-1.6	2.8
Nonfarm only.....	4.9	1.1	-4.4	3.5	-7.2	-6.1	-4.2	.0	4.7	8.6	-1.4	2.1
<b>Net exports of goods and services (GNP basis)</b> .....	2.5	3.8	.0	-2.6	.8	.1	.5	-1.4	-2.7	-3.5	-1.9	-2.2
Exports.....	22.4	24.4	21.6	21.7	21.0	21.3	22.3	21.7	20.4	20.9	23.1	22.4
Imports.....	19.8	20.6	21.6	24.3	20.2	21.2	21.8	23.1	23.1	24.5	25.0	24.7
<b>Government purchases of goods and services</b> .....	72.3	75.1	78.4	80.7	76.5	77.7	78.9	80.8	81.3	81.4	81.0	79.1
Federal.....	41.7	42.8	44.1	44.2	42.8	43.9	44.3	45.2	44.9	45.0	44.1	42.7
State and local.....	30.6	32.3	34.4	36.5	33.7	33.8	34.6	35.5	36.4	36.4	36.9	36.3

Table I-9.—National Income by Type of Income, Seasonally Adjusted Quarterly Totals at Annual Rates, 1956-59

	1956	1957	1958	1959	1958				1959			
					I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV
<b>National income</b> .....	350.8	366.5	366.2	398.5	355.8	358.9	369.5	380.4	389.4	403.9	398.2	NA
<b>Compensation of employees</b> .....	242.5	255.5	256.8	277.4	252.5	253.2	258.5	262.9	269.9	278.9	279.3	281.6
Wages and salaries.....	227.6	238.5	239.4	257.8	235.2	236.0	241.1	245.1	250.9	259.4	259.5	261.5
Private.....	189.6	198.4	196.2	212.1	193.4	193.2	197.1	200.8	206.2	214.0	213.5	214.8
Military.....	9.7	9.6	9.7	9.8	9.5	9.7	10.0	9.9	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8
Government civilian.....	28.4	30.5	33.5	35.9	32.3	33.2	34.0	34.4	34.8	35.6	36.3	36.9
Supplements to wages and salaries.....	14.9	17.0	17.4	19.6	17.3	17.2	17.5	17.8	19.0	19.6	19.8	20.0
<b>Proprietors' income</b> .....	43.7	44.5	46.6	46.3	46.1	45.9	46.8	47.4	46.9	46.6	45.1	46.7
Business and professional.....	32.1	32.7	32.4	34.5	31.6	32.0	32.6	33.2	33.7	34.5	34.8	35.1
Farm.....	11.6	11.8	14.2	11.8	14.6	13.9	14.2	14.1	13.2	12.1	10.3	11.6
<b>Rental income of persons</b> .....	10.9	11.5	11.8	12.0	11.7	11.8	11.9	11.9	12.0	12.0	12.0	12.0
<b>Corporate profits and inventory valuation adjustment</b> .....	42.6	41.7	36.7	NA	31.5	33.8	38.0	43.5	45.5	51.0	46.0	NA
Profits before tax.....	44.7	43.3	37.1	NA	32.0	33.6	38.3	44.6	46.5	52.6	46.4	NA
Profits tax liability.....	21.2	21.1	18.2	NA	15.7	16.5	18.8	21.9	22.6	25.6	22.6	NA
Profits after tax.....	23.5	22.2	18.9	NA	16.3	17.1	19.5	22.7	23.8	27.0	23.8	NA
Inventory valuation adjustment.....	-2.7	-1.5	-4.4	NA	-4.4	.2	-3.3	-1.1	-9.9	-1.6	-3.3	NA
<b>Net interest</b> .....	11.7	13.3	14.3	15.6	13.9	14.1	14.4	14.7	15.1	15.4	15.8	16.1

NA—Not available.

1. Includes also the pay of employees of government enterprises and of permanent U.S. residents employed in the United States by foreign governments and international organizations.

ments increased about  $\frac{1}{2}$  billion, reflecting the advance in rates as well as the higher public debt. The growth in transfer payments, noted earlier, accounted for  $\frac{1}{2}$  billion of the rise in total Federal outlays.

### State and local purchases

State and local government purchases of GNP were up  $\$3\frac{1}{2}$  billion to a \$44 billion total. All major components shared in the increase. More than half of it was in compensation of employees, as pay rates advanced and the number employed rose 5 percent.

The fiscal position of these units as shown in the income and product accounts improved somewhat. Current revenues expanded with the step-up in highway grants from the Federal Government and the continued increase in receipts from sales and property taxes.

### Improved Federal Budget outlook

The new Budget transmitted by the President to Congress last month programmed Federal expenditures in balance with estimated receipts for the current fiscal year, that ending June 30, 1960. A surplus is calculated for fiscal 1961. A translation of the official Budget estimates into the income and product account framework is summarized in the table on page 10.

Realization of the Budget projections would mean that total Federal outlays in calendar 1960 will be up somewhat over the December quarter of 1959 as a result of higher transfers and interest payments. Outlays for goods and services are expected to remain substantially unchanged. The calculated rise in receipts on income and product account assumes an improvement in business, as outlined in the President's message, and allows for the social security tax rate increase which went into effect last month.

It may be noted that the calendar 1959 deficit on income and product account was substantially less than those shown in the administrative and cash budgets. This is partly because revenues as measured for national income purposes include corporate profits taxes on an accrual basis, and therefore this measure reflected last year's recovery

# Monthly BUSINESS STATISTICS



THE STATISTICS here are a continuation of the data published in the 1959 edition of BUSINESS STATISTICS, biennial Statistical Supplement to the SURVEY OF CURRENT BUSINESS. That volume (price \$2.25) contains monthly (or quarterly) data for the years 1955 through 1958 and monthly averages for all years back to 1929 insofar as available; it also provides a description of each series and references to sources of monthly figures prior to 1955. Series added or significantly revised since publication of the 1959 BUSINESS STATISTICS are indicated by an asterisk (\*) and a dagger (†), respectively; certain revisions for 1958 issued too late for inclusion in the aforementioned volume appear in the monthly SURVEY beginning with the July 1959 issue. Except as otherwise stated, the terms "unadjusted" and "adjusted" refer to adjustment for seasonal variation.

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Unless otherwise stated, statistics through 1958 and descriptive notes are shown in the 1959 edition of BUSINESS STATISTICS	1958	1959												1960
	December	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	January

## GENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORS

NATIONAL INCOME AND PRODUCT														
Seasonally adjusted quarterly totals at annual rates:														
National income, total..... bil. of dol.	380.4			389.4			403.9			398.2				
Compensation of employees, total..... do.	262.9			269.9			278.9			279.3			281.6	
Wages and salaries, total..... do.	245.1			250.9			259.4			259.5			261.5	
Private..... do.	200.8			206.2			214.0			213.5			214.8	
Military..... do.	9.9			9.8			9.8			9.8			9.8	
Government civilian..... do.	34.4			34.8			35.6			36.3			36.9	
Supplements to wages and salaries..... do.	17.8			19.0			19.6			19.8			20.0	
Proprietors' income, total <sup>♂</sup> ..... do.	47.4			46.9			46.6			45.1			46.7	
Business and professional <sup>♂</sup> ..... do.	33.2			33.7			34.5			34.8			35.1	
Farm..... do.	14.1			13.2			12.1			10.3			11.6	
Rental income of persons..... do.	11.9			12.0			12.0			12.0			12.0	
Corporate profits and inventory valuation adjustment, total..... bil. of dol.	43.5			45.5			51.0			46.0				
Corporate profits before tax, total..... do.	44.6			46.5			52.6			46.4				
Corporate profits tax liability..... do.	21.9			22.6			25.6			22.6				
Corporate profits after tax..... do.	22.7			23.8			27.0			23.8				
Inventory valuation adjustment..... do.	-1.1			-9			-1.6			-3				
Net interest..... do.	14.7			15.1			15.4			15.8			16.1	
Gross national product, total..... do.	457.1			470.4			484.8			478.6			483.5	
Personal consumption expenditures, total..... do.	299.1			303.9			311.2			313.3			317.0	
Durable goods..... do.	39.8			41.3			44.1			43.6			42.8	
Nondurable goods..... do.	143.6			145.3			147.7			148.0			150.1	
Services..... do.	115.7			117.4			119.4			121.6			124.1	
Gross private domestic investment, total..... do.	61.3			70.0			77.7			67.0			69.7	
New construction..... do.	37.3			39.7			41.0			41.0			39.2	
Producers' durable equipment..... do.	23.2			23.9			26.0			27.0			27.5	
Change in business inventories..... do.	.8			6.3			10.7			-1.0			3.0	
Net exports of goods and services..... do.	.2			-9			-1.8			.0			-6	
Exports..... do.	22.7			21.5			22.1			24.1			23.4	
Imports..... do.	22.5			22.4			23.9			24.1			24.1	
Government purchases of goods and services, total..... bil. of dol.	96.5			97.4			97.7			98.4			97.4	
Federal (less Government sales)..... do.	54.2			53.8			53.9			53.6			52.7	
National defense <sup>♀</sup> ..... do.	45.3			45.8			46.2			45.9			45.3	
State and local..... do.	42.2			43.6			43.8			44.8			44.7	
Personal income, total..... do.	366.3			371.8			381.1			381.0			386.8	
Less: Personal tax and nontax payments..... do.	43.4			44.4			45.8			45.9			46.1	
Equals: Disposable personal income..... do.	322.9			327.4			335.3			335.1			340.8	
Personal saving\$..... do.	23.7			23.5			24.1			21.9			23.7	
GNP in constant (1954) dollars														
Gross national product, total..... bil. of dol.	410.8			420.7			432.1			424.3			426.0	
Personal consumption expenditures, total..... do.	278.4			282.3			288.3			288.8			290.3	
Durable goods..... do.	37.5			38.8			41.2			40.6			39.9	
Nondurable goods..... do.	135.6			137.3			139.7			139.4			140.2	
Services..... do.	105.3			106.2			107.4			108.8			110.2	
Gross private domestic investment, total..... do.	53.0			59.8			66.0			56.4			58.8	
New construction..... do.	32.6			34.3			35.1			34.9			33.3	
Producers' durable equipment..... do.	19.3			19.8			21.3			22.1			22.7	
Change in business inventories..... do.	1.1			5.7			9.5			-6			2.8	
Net exports of goods and services..... do.	-1.4			-2.7			-3.5			-1.9			-2.2	
Government purchases of goods and services, total..... bil. of dol.	80.8			81.3			81.4			81.0			79.1	
Federal..... do.	45.2			44.9			45.0			44.1			42.7	
State and local..... do.	35.5			36.4			36.4			36.9			36.3	

♂ Revised. ♀ 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.