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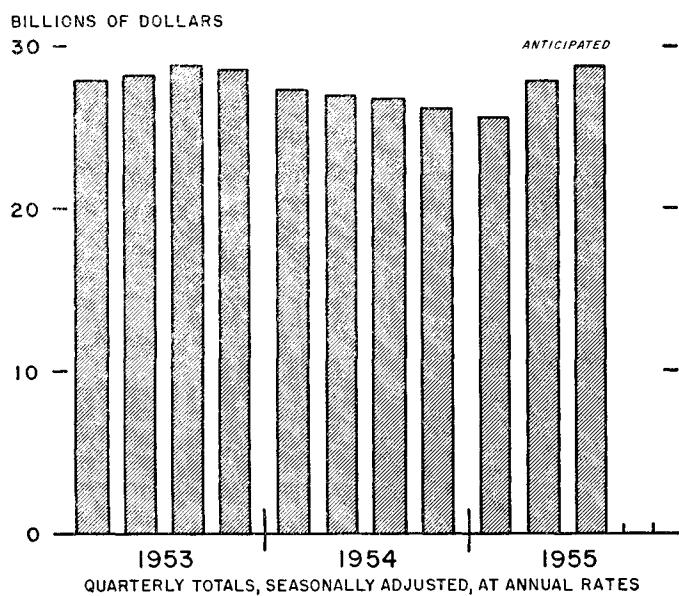
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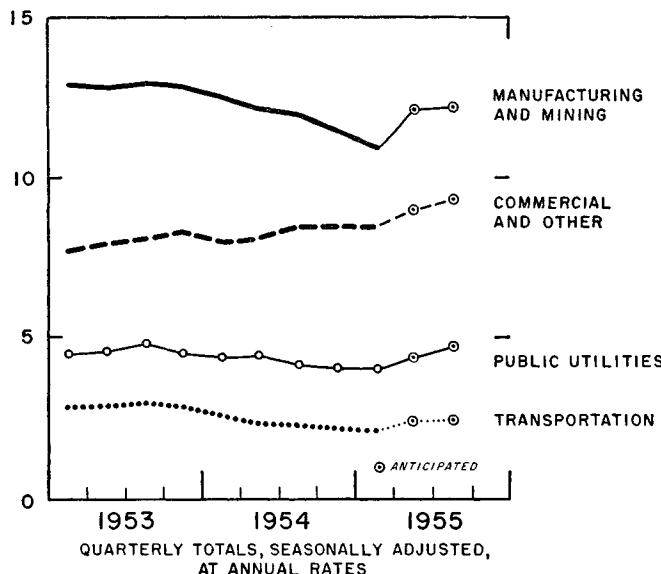


Plant and Equipment Expenditures

Businessmen schedule third quarter outlays above second quarter and at 1953 peak rate



All major industries plan increases this spring and summer



By the Office of Business Economics

PRODUCTION and sales continue strong and in approximately equal volume, so that changes in the stocks of goods held by producers and distributors have been small. Expansion of personal income and the associated growth of consumer expenditures remain the basic factors underlying the business advance. The rise in consumer demand under way since last fall is being solidly reinforced by the upturn in business purchases of plant and equipment, as businessmen step up their programs to increase productive capacity and modernize plant.

These developments have been accompanied by a favorable trend of employment. In May total civilian employment expanded more than seasonally to 62.7 million, while unemployment declined to $2\frac{1}{2}$ million from 3 million in April.

Employment in nonagricultural establishments rose about 0.3 million between April and May on a seasonally adjusted basis, bringing the May figure 1 million above the May 1954 count, although it was still below the 1953 peak. Employment increased appreciably from April in manufacturing industries, construction, trade, and transportation and public utilities; other major groups registered nominal increases. The active demand for labor was also reflected in an increase in the average factory workweek to 40.7 hours in May, well above a year earlier and equal to May 1953.

Along with employment, the flow of personal income has continued to rise. In April, personal income reached a seasonally adjusted annual rate of \$295½ billion, at which point it was 4 percent above a year earlier. The increase in income from March to April as in most other recent months was primarily in manufacturing payrolls. In addition to employment expansion and the lengthening of hours, the steady advance in wage rates, which continued in May, has contributed to the sustained uptrend in payrolls.

Retail trade active

Consumer demand has remained strong, with sales in most lines appreciably higher than a year ago. Though the largest rise has been in sales by automobile dealers, sales of other durable-goods stores have been about 10 percent higher in recent months than a year earlier. Nondurable-goods store sales have also shown a strong trend with substantial increases reported by apparel stores and department stores. Food store sales are moderately higher than a year ago, although no appreciable change has occurred in the past several months on a seasonally-adjusted basis.

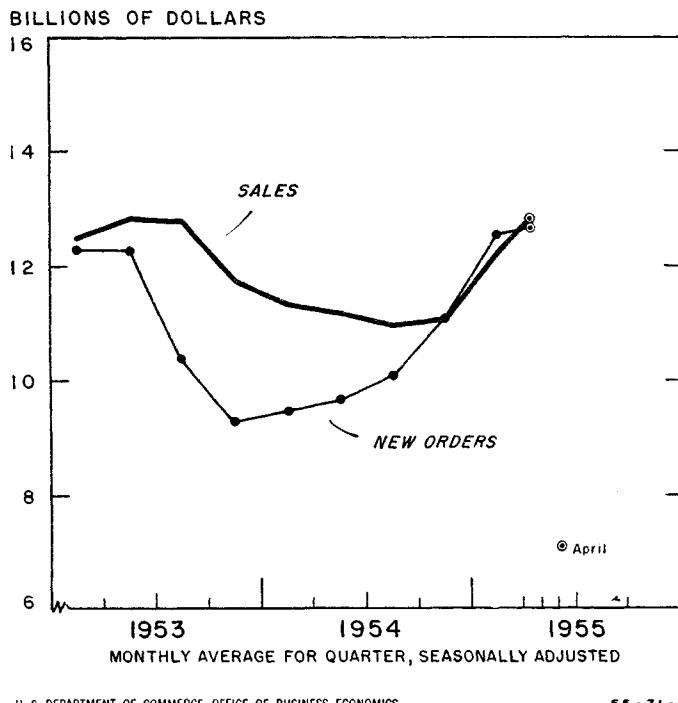
Total new construction activity in April and May was at a slightly higher rate than in the 1st quarter on a seasonally adjusted basis, and about 15 percent above the corresponding period in 1954. Most of the increase throughout the past year has occurred in residential building. Approximately half of the nonfarm housing starts during this period have been insured or guaranteed by the Government, with most of the increase in financing occurring under VA-guaranteed

loans. In recent months, however, nonresidential construction, led by commercial building but with all major groups participating, has spurred ahead faster than residential.

The participation in the business recovery of durable-goods activity is indicated by the accompanying chart of durable-goods manufacturers' new orders and sales. New orders received in these industries during the first 4 months of this year have been about one-third higher than in the corresponding months of 1954. Shipments have also turned up, and so far this year have averaged close to the new order rate; hence the unfilled order backlog has been little changed during this period and remains below a year ago. A principal exception to this pattern is the primary metals industry, where new orders, exceeding the corresponding 1953 period, have climbed substantially higher than sales.

In the machinery industries and in fabricated metals the rise in new orders has been substantial and has been accompanied by an advance in shipments, but both are somewhat below the highs reached in 1953.

Durable Goods Manufacturers' Sales and New Orders



The improvement in machinery, and to some extent in the other metals industries as well, is closely related to the strong rise now under way in business investment in plant and equipment. The rise in manufacturers' planned investment is depicted in the chart on page 1 and discussed in a later section of this issue.

Industrial production large

Industrial production advanced further in May and approximated the peak monthly rate of 1953. The May rise reflected sustained or expanded operations in most manufacturing industries. Crude petroleum provided a major exception to the upward movement. Strength in the output

of the steel and automobile and related industries continued to exert a major influence in the rise in manufacturing production, notwithstanding the general improvement that has occurred in output in other lines. By March or April most major manufacturing groups had virtually matched or exceeded their 1953 peak rates of output. Other industries which had been lagging are now moving ahead. Among the durable-goods industries, fabricated metals, machinery and instruments, and furniture and fixtures are in this category.

In mining, the coal industry has been staging a moderate comeback. Output of 9.3 million tons in the last week of May was the highest since October 1953. The improvement reflects the general increase in business activity but more particularly strong demand from steel and coke plants and the cement and electric power industries, which are major consumers of coal. Producers of crude petroleum have reduced operations from the peak April rate despite strong demand. Stocks of refined petroleum products, while down from the early months of this year, are still relatively high.

Autos and steel

The auto and steel industries continue to roll along at a fast pace. With the aid of considerable overtime work, motor vehicle assemblies in May totaled 850,000 units including 720,000 passenger cars and 130,000 trucks. This was a daily average rate of 41,000 units and compares with the peak April rate of 42,000. The total count for the January-May period was an unprecedented 4.1 million units.

Consumer buying of new passenger cars has also continued above earlier peaks. Since purchases have not quite kept pace with the expanded supply, however, there has been a further moderate accumulation in dealers' stocks. Stocks in mid-May reached a record total in units but amounted to only slightly more than one month's sales at the advanced April-May rate of deliveries.

With its largest customer setting production records, the steel industry has been turning out more steel than ever before. Output in May reached 10.3 million tons of steel ingots and steel for castings, and topped the previous monthly record of 10.2 million tons reached in March 1953. Operations in May averaged 96.5 percent of the rated capacity of 125.8 million tons a year in place at the beginning of 1955. The current high rate of steel operations also reflects a widening of activity among many durable-goods industries other than automotive.

Expansion in major household durables

Strong consumer buying, influenced by new product lines, expanding replacement needs, and increased residential building as well as by the high rate of personal income, has been reflected in an increase since the turn of the year in output of major household goods. The Federal Reserve seasonally-adjusted production index of these goods advanced to 140 in April (1947-49=100), up 8 percent from the fourth quarter of 1954 and more than one-fifth from a year ago.

Most of the rise from the fourth quarter of 1954 through April of this year was due to a substantial increase in production of major appliances, particularly refrigeration equipment. Output of furniture and floor coverings increased moderately.

Production of television sets decreased 10 percent from the high rate of the fourth quarter of 1954, while radio output was approximately maintained, with a large volume going to the automobile industry.

However, sales of television sets to consumers in the first 4 months of this year were at a new high for the period, up nearly 10 percent over the year-ago volume. Radio sales were up more moderately.

Stocks of television and radio sets, excluding auto radios, at all stages of distribution on April 30 were only moderately above year ago levels and substantially below peak holdings. They were, however, roughly 900,000 above the combined 1954 year-end figure, with radios accounting for three-fifths of the rise.

Retail dealers' stocks of television sets were actually lower at the end of April than at the beginning of the year, so that all of the accumulation occurred at the factory and distributors' level. A part of the addition represented holdings of 1956 models—which got into production somewhat earlier than in former years—for delivery to dealers during the summer months. It should be stressed that the television market today is much larger than it was in earlier years. Many more dealers have entered the field and therefore larger

overall stocks are required to meet the increased demand generated by the addition of new reception areas since the lifting of the TV station freeze in the spring of 1952.

Inventories of 5 major household appliances (refrigerators, freezers, electric ranges, washers, and dryers), while up from the year-end—which is usually the seasonal low point of the year—were in general not high in relation to the current rate of retail sales. The aggregate stocks of these appliances held by factories and distributors at the end of April were still below the peak holdings of the same period a year ago, a month when high inventories are normally carried in anticipation of the active buying season of the summer months. In 1954, for example, both output and sales turned upward after April.

Business Capital Outlays Advance

THE gradually declining trend in fixed business investment of the past year and a half is now undergoing a sharp reversal. Investment plans recently reported by business to the Office of Business Economics and Securities and Exchange Commission indicate a pronounced spurt in capital expenditures after the first quarter of this year, with all major industry divisions participating in the advance. Businessmen in the aggregate are planning to spend as much on new plant and equipment this summer as they did in the record third quarter of 1953. Total outlays are expected to reach a seasonally adjusted annual rate of \$27.9 billion in the second quarter and \$28.8 billion in the third, as compared with a rate of \$25.6 billion in the first three months of 1955.

Increases of 15 percent or more in the seasonally adjusted rates of capital expenditure from the first to third quarter are being planned by public utilities, railroads, and mining companies; manufacturing, nonrail transportation, and commercial companies have scheduled rises of about 10 percent. Plans of mining, manufacturing and nonrail transportation companies indicate that the projected dollar advances from the second to the third quarter will be smaller than those from the first to the second. In the case of the other three major industries the absolute increases are roughly the same size over the 2 periods.

The extent of the recent downward adjustments in plant and equipment expenditures and the broad industrial character of the anticipated recovery are shown in the following table:

**Percent Changes in Plant and Equipment Expenditures
(Seasonally Adjusted)**

	<i>Third quarter 1953 to first quarter 1955</i>	<i>First quarter 1955 to third quarter 1955 (anticipated)</i>
Total	-11	12
Manufacturing.....	-15	11
Durable.....	-15	13
Nondurable.....	-15	10
Mining.....	-22	19
Railroad.....	-43	16
Transportation, other than rail.....	-12	11
Public utilities.....	-17	19
Commercial and other.....	5	10

Actual expenditures in the first quarter were \$0.4 billion lower—at seasonally adjusted annual rates—than antici-

pated by business in the survey 3 months ago. An equal amount appears to have been added to programs in the current quarter. Virtually every major industry participated in the first and second quarter adjustments.

An increase of almost 9 percent is now scheduled from the first to the second quarter. If attained, this would constitute the largest quarter-to-quarter rise since the early months of the Korean mobilization period.

If current programs materialize, expenditures for the first three quarters will be at a seasonally adjusted annual rate of about \$27.5 billion. This is approximately 2 percent higher than the rate in the corresponding period of 1954, and exceeds by a similar amount the total projected by business for the full year 1955 and reported in the March survey. While anticipated outlays by the railroads, manufacturing and mining companies for the 9 months of this year are somewhat below the 1954 average, by the third quarter investment by all major industry divisions except mining is expected to be higher than in the corresponding quarter of last year.

The continued increase in planned investment may be traced in part to the very favorable economic conditions that have characterized recent months. Business sales thus far this year have been rising on a wide front; manufacturers' sales in the first 4 months were 7 percent higher than in the first 4 months of 1954 while retail sales were up by 8 percent. New orders of manufacturers have risen fairly steadily since last fall to near peak rates, and backlogs have also increased over the same period. Preliminary indications are that first quarter corporate earnings were quite good, and depreciation charges have continued to rise.

Manufacturers increase investment

The scheduled increases reported by manufacturing firms in the latest survey would put total manufacturing plant and equipment expenditures at a seasonally adjusted annual rate of \$11.3 billion in the third quarter. This is more than a billion higher than the first quarter 1955 rate, which marks the low point in the recent decline. Anticipated investment in the durable goods field, where the downward adjustment began as early as the first quarter of 1953 and was somewhat longer and relatively greater than in nondurable goods, shows advances in both the second and third quarters. Seasonally adjusted outlays by nondurable producers show a marked rise to the second quarter but level off in the third.

In the durable goods area, the primary metals producers, operating at or close to peak rates, have been stepping up expenditures since the end of 1954, following a 2-year decline. Automobile producers' capital budgets, after a brief reduction in capital outlays, show increases after the first quarter. Producers of machinery and transportation equipment other than motor vehicles also have raised expenditures considerably while companies producing stone, clay, and glass and electrical machinery indicate somewhat smaller relative increases after the first quarter.

In the nondurable goods field, capital spending by petroleum companies is scheduled at \$2 billion in the first nine months, a total larger than that invested in the comparable period of any prior year. Capital budgets of paper companies are also quite strong, while expenditures by the chemicals industry are rebounding sharply this spring and summer following an investment decline of almost two years. Not much change in outlays after the first quarter is being scheduled by the food, beverage and textile industries.

Nonmanufacturing investment

The prospective sharp rise in capital outlays that public utilities have just reported—from a seasonally adjusted annual rate of \$4.0 billion in the first to \$4.8 billion in the third quarter—is a result of a slight increase by the electric companies and extremely large advances by gas utilities. Outlays by the latter group were generally downward through 1954 but plans for new pipelines recently authorized by the Federal Power Commission are expected to bring spending in the third quarter up to a record rate. Anticipated outlays of electric utilities are reversing the moderate downward trend from the third quarter of 1953 to the first 3 months of this year.

The figures reported by the railroads indicate a continuing pickup in rail investment in the first nine months of this year. Realization of plans in this area would involve an increase of 15 percent over the seasonally adjusted rate of outlays in the fourth quarter of 1954, the low point in recent

Table 1.—Expenditures on New Plant and Equipment by United States Business,¹ 1952-55

[Millions of dollars]

	1952	1953	1954	1954				1955		
				Jan.-Mar.	Apr.-June	July-Sept.	Oct.-Dec.	Jan.-Mar.	Apr.-June	July-Sept.
Manufacturing										
Durable-goods industries	11,632	11,908	11,038	2,569	2,859	2,645	2,965	2,249	2,953	2,833
Primary iron and steel	5,614	5,648	5,091	1,201	1,209	1,207	1,373	1,063	1,243	1,338
Primary nonferrous metals	1,511	1,210	754	190	200	169	195	154	212	206
Electrical machinery and equipment	512	412	246	69	69	53	55	41	58	66
Machinery except electrical	386	475	439	95	110	102	132	89	115	110
Motor vehicles and equipment	701	797	694	160	171	165	198	158	209	200
Transportation equipment excluding motor vehicles	855	1,189	1,486	321	402	383	379	272	348	384
Stone, clay, and glass products	211	346	361	78	88	80	115	88	108	99
Other durable goods ⁴	1,107	1,239	1,110	288	269	255	298	260	292	272
Nondurable-goods industries	6,018	6,260	5,948	1,368	1,550	1,438	1,592	1,186	1,610	1,495
Food and beverages	769	812	765	197	204	184	180	170	169	161
Textile mill products	434	378	331	81	88	75	86	77	82	72
Paper and allied products	364	409	455	104	117	111	124	92	122	120
Chemicals and allied products	1,386	1,428	1,130	309	292	252	277	231	296	303
Petroleum and coal products	2,535	2,668	2,684	530	696	682	776	490	802	698
Rubber products	154	161	131	32	35	29	35	30	33	38
Other nondurable goods ⁴	377	404	451	115	118	104	114	96	106	102
Mining	985	986	975	219	261	251	244	186	239	230
Railroads	1,396	1,311	854	250	245	179	180	179	232	209
Transportation, other than rail	1,500	1,565	1,512	384	375	374	379	359	414	392
Public Utilities	3,887	4,552	4,219	929	1,121	1,060	1,109	845	1,185	1,279
Communications	1,537	1,690	1,717	1,916	2,071	2,133	2,110	2,030	2,302	2,278
Commercial and other ⁵	5,557	6,310	6,513							
Total	26,493	28,322	26,827	6,266	6,932	6,640	6,988	5,847	7,324	7,220

Seasonally Adjusted at Annual Rates

[Billions of dollars]

Manufacturing			11.62	11.09	10.98	10.58	10.17	11.22	11.30
Durable			5.40	5.18	5.06	4.80	4.78	5.21	5.38
Nondurable			6.22	5.90	5.93	5.79	5.39	6.01	5.92
Mining			.94	1.04	1.00	.91	.80	.94	.95
Railroads			1.04	.91	.80	.68	.74	.80	.86
Transportation, other than rail			1.57	1.44	1.51	1.53	1.46	1.58	1.62
Public Utilities			4.33	4.37	4.12	4.01	4.01	4.37	4.77
Commercial and others ⁵			7.97	8.07	8.42	8.46	8.46	8.96	9.34
Total			27.46	26.92	26.84	26.18	25.65	27.86	28.83

1. Data exclude expenditures of agricultural business and outlays charged to current account.

2. Estimates based on anticipated capital expenditures as reported by business in late April and May 1955. The seasonally adjusted data include in addition to a seasonal correction, an adjustment, when necessary, for systematic tendencies in anticipatory data.

3. Includes fabricated metal products, lumber products, furniture and fixtures, instruments, ordnance, and miscellaneous manufactures.

4. Includes apparel and related products, tobacco, leather and leather products, and printing and publishing.

5. Annual figures for 1952-54 include trade, service, finance, and construction. Quarterly data for 1954 and 1955 also include communications.

Source: U. S. Department of Commerce, Office of Business Economics, and Securities and Exchange Commission.

railroad investment. Outlays in the first nine months will be more than 10 percent below those made in the corresponding period last year, however.

A comparison with 1954 reveals that the proportion of railroad outlays devoted to construction in the first three quarters is up to 38 percent, as compared with 35 percent last year, while there is a corresponding reduction in the proportion of equipment purchases. It may be noted, however, that by the third quarter scheduled equipment outlays are expected to be somewhat higher than actual equipment expenditures in the corresponding quarters of 1954. In recent months unfilled orders of locomotives and freight cars have been exceeding year-ago levels, though they are still quite low compared to most postwar periods.

Nonrail transportation investment, which held up quite well during the decline in total investment in 1954, now shows a seasonally adjusted increase of 10 percent from the first to the third quarter of 1955. This group, which includes the rapidly growing air lines and trucking industries, at present accounts for about 65 percent of total investment by all forms of transportation, in contrast to an average of just over 50 percent in the period 1945-53.

The steady upward trend in investment by commercial companies under way since the second quarter of 1952 is still progressing. The seasonally adjusted annual rate of expenditures is expected to rise from \$8.5 billion in the first quarter 1955 to \$9.3 billion in the third. Plans are quite buoyant among most kinds of retail business, and among chains as well as independent stores.

The First Quarter Balance of Payments

FIRST quarter international transactions indicate a basic improvement in the dollar position of foreign countries. This was mainly the result of the rise in business activity in this country. Payments to foreign countries (omitting grants in the form of military supplies and services) resulting from all transactions except short- and medium-term bank and commercial credits increased to \$5.1 billion in the first quarter from \$4.9 billion in the last quarter of 1954. On the other hand, foreign expenditures on United States goods and services, and repayments of long-term debts to United States creditors other than banks declined during the same period from \$5.1 to \$4.8 billion.

However, changes in the movement of United States short- and medium-term bank and commercial credits prevented this improvement from being reflected in the rise in foreign gold and dollar assets.

Outflow of U. S. short-term funds reversed

During the fourth quarter of last year foreign countries obtained large amounts of bank and commercial credits which facilitated a \$400 million rise in foreign gold and dollar assets through transactions with the United States. During the first quarter, however, the net flow of short- and medium-term United States funds was reversed as a result of large repayments of credits extended earlier. As a result, the rise in foreign gold and dollar assets through transactions with the United States dropped to about \$130 million, the lowest amount since the first quarter of 1952.

If the changes in short- and medium-term dollar liabilities by foreign countries are netted out against the rise in foreign gold and dollar assets, it becomes obvious that the net dollar position of foreign countries improved during the first quarter, reflecting the rise in foreign dollar receipts and the decline in expenditures. The data also show that net foreign gold and dollar accumulations through transactions with the United States during 1954 were smaller than the rise in gross foreign gold and dollar assets, and that the low point was reached toward the end of the year.

The following tabulation indicates the changes in both gross and net gold and dollar assets of foreign countries through their transactions with the United States:

The increase in foreign-held gross dollar assets during the first quarter of 1955 consisted of long- and short-term assets

of individuals and corporations other than banks. For the first time in about three years, the foreign transactions of the United States did not result in a rise of gold and dollar assets (including United States Government securities) held by foreign official institutions and banks.

During 1954 the expansion in commercial and banking credits largely compensated the decline in foreign dollar receipts from United States imports of goods and services and Government grants and loans. Conversely, the contraction in these credits during the early part of 1955 counteracted the expansion in other foreign expenditures by the United States.

	<i>Increase in foreign gold and dollar assets through transac- tions with the U. S. [Millions of dollars]</i>	<i>Increase in foreign liabilities to U. S. through banks and commercial enterprises [Millions of dollars]</i>	<i>Increase in net foreign assets through transac- tions with the U. S. [Millions of dollars]</i>
1954: First quarter-----	499	-22	521
Second quarter-----	261	87	174
Third quarter-----	603	268	335
Fourth quarter-----	394	416	-22
1955: First quarter-----	132	-88	220

The movement of United States commercial credits acted as a stabilizing element in the expansion of production and trade in Europe. Rising dollar reserves facilitated an expansion of trade and production in 1954, when expenditures by the United States declined. In the early part of the current year the return flow of short-term funds limited the rise in foreign monetary reserves. This may have contributed to the tightening of credits in some foreign countries at the time when the business upswing in the United States came into full force and reduced the dangers of inflationary price rises.

United States bank credits to Latin America continued to expand during the first quarter of 1955 but the outflow of funds declined from about \$180 million during the fourth quarter of 1954 to about \$40 million. The decline to the coffee producing countries was particularly pronounced and accentuated the decline in their ability to import.

The third major factor in the change of the flow of United States short-term capital was the repayment by France of

Table 2.—Balance of payments of the United States by area, first quarter 1955 ^p

[Millions of dollars]

Line	Item	All areas	Western Europe	Western European dependencies	Eastern Europe	Canada	Latin American Republics	All other countries	International institutions	Sterling area				
										Total	United Kingdom	Other Europe	Dependencies	Other countries
1	Exports of goods and services, total	5,098	1,765	175	6	943	1,138	1,056	15	775	360	16	101	298
2	Military transfers under grants, total	452	323	-	-	-	11	118	-	n.s.s.	n.s.s.	n.s.s.	n.s.s.	n.s.s.
3	Supplies ¹	420	300	-	-	-	10	110	-	n.s.s.	n.s.s.	n.s.s.	n.s.s.	n.s.s.
4	Services, including freight	32	23	-	-	-	1	8	-	n.s.s.	n.s.s.	n.s.s.	n.s.s.	n.s.s.
5	Other goods and services, total	4,646	1,442	175	6	943	1,127	938	15	775	360	16	101	298
6	Merchandise, adjusted, excluding military transactions	3,443	1,103	125	4	714	778	719	-	561	239	15	60	247
7	Transportation	305	130	11	-	21	79	64	-	53	31	1	5	16
8	Travel	109	8	1	(z)	63	32	5	-	6	3	(z)	1	2
9	Miscellaneous services:	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
10	Private	190	85	3	1	22	41	27	11	64	52	(z)	2	10
11	Government, excluding military transactions	31	15	(z)	(z)	1	5	10	-	5	2	(z)	(z)	3
12	Military transactions	46	10	(z)	-	24	2	10	-	4	(z)	(z)	(z)	4
13	Income on investments:	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
14	Private	474	55	35	-	98	184	98	4	81	33	-	33	15
15	Government	48	36	(z)	-	(z)	6	5	-	1	(z)	(z)	(z)	1
16	Imports of goods and services, total	4,077	1,267	322	14	698	1,068	704	4	732	370	11	152	199
17	Merchandise, adjusted, excluding military expenditures	2,759	548	257	13	578	897	465	1	428	138	4	119	167
18	Transportation	239	111	5	-	18	56	49	-	55	36	1	3	15
19	Travel	156	36	18	(z)	27	68	7	-	26	6	1	16	3
20	Miscellaneous services:	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
21	Private	116	77	(z)	-	16	20	3	-	65	65	-	-	-
22	Government	54	23	2	1	(z)	17	10	1	5	2	(z)	1	2
23	Military expenditures	643	391	39	(z)	39	5	169	-	110	81	5	12	12
24	Income on investments:	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
25	Private	94	71	1	-	17	4	(z)	1	41	40	-	1	(z)
26	Government	16	10	(z)	-	3	1	(z)	2	2	2	-	-	-
27	Balance on goods and services	1,021	498	-147	-8	245	70	352	11	43	-10	5	-51	99
28	Unilateral transfers, net [to foreign countries (-)], total	-1,191	-718	-8	-4	-2	-38	-412	-9	-116	-53	-3	-6	-54
29	Private remittances	-117	-63	-7	-3	1	-11	-34	-	-25	-10	-3	-5	-7
30	Government:	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
31	Military supplies and services ¹	-452	-323	-1	-1	-	-11	-118	n.s.s.	n.s.s.	n.s.s.	n.s.s.	n.s.s.	n.s.s.
32	Other grants	-576	-323	-	-	-	-14	-228	-9	-90	-42	(z)	(z)	-47
33	Pensions and other transfers	-46	-9	(z)	(z)	-3	-2	-32	-1	-1	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)
34	United States capital, net [outflow of funds (-)], total	-20	41	13	2	-26	-2	-55	7	51	57	-	0	-6
35	Private, net, total	59	82	11	(z)	-26	3	-18	7	73	63	-	-1	11
36	Direct investments	-71	-28	11	-	-74	39	-19	-	-13	-2	-	(z)	-11
37	Portfolio	63	61	(z)	-	64	-94	25	7	23	3	-	(z)	20
38	Short-term	67	49	0	(z)	-16	58	-24	-	63	62	-	1	2
39	Government, net, total	-79	-41	2	2	(z)	-5	-37	-	-22	-6	(z)	1	-17
40	Long-term capital, outflow	-45	-7	(z)	-	(z)	-21	-17	-	-14	(z)	(z)	-14	-14
41	Repayments	70	41	2	2	(z)	20	5	-	2	(z)	(z)	1	1
42	Short-term (net)	-104	-75	(z)	(z)	(z)	-4	-25	-	-10	-6	(z)	(z)	-4
43	Foreign capital, net [outflow of funds (-)], total	102	169	-2	(z)	-141	-56	80	52	57	53	-	1	3
44	Direct and long-term portfolio investments other than United States Government securities	60	66	(z)	-	-24	12	2	4	8	8	-	(z)	(z)
45	Transactions in United States Government securities	168	36	(z)	(z)	92	26	14	(z)	35	35	-	(z)	(z)
46	Short-term liabilities to foreign banks and official institutions	192	38	2	(z)	-181	-138	39	48	-6	-1	-	2	-7
47	Other short-term liabilities	66	29	-4	(z)	-28	44	25	(z)	20	11	-	-1	-10
48	Gold sales [purchases (-)]	30	38	(z)	-	-5	-7	(z)	4	(z)	(z)	-	(z)	(z)
49	Foreign capital and gold, total	132	207	-2	(z)	-146	-63	80	56	57	53	-	1	3
50	Transfers of funds between foreign areas [receipts by foreign areas (-)] and errors and omissions	58	-28	144	10	-71	33	35	-65	-35	-47	-2	56	-42

^p Preliminary. (z) Less than \$500,000. N. s. s. Not shown separately.

1. Includes loans and returns of military equipment.

Source: U. S. Department of Commerce, Office of Business Economics.

NOTE. Revised data for 1953 and 1954 may be found on pp. 8-13 of this issue, and data for previous years in the BALANCE OF PAYMENTS 1919-53 supplement to the SURVEY OF CURRENT BUSINESS. Net foreign investment equals the balance on goods, services and unilateral transfers for all areas: 1955 I: -170.

about \$100 million still outstanding on a 1950 bank loan. This repayment was facilitated by large United States disbursements for military purchases and aid to compensate for French expenditures in Vietnam. In addition, France succeeded in improving its balance of payments with countries other than the United States which eliminated the need for making dollar payments to them in settlement of French deficits.

The changes from the fourth quarter of 1954 to the first quarter of 1955 in the net gold and dollar accruals to foreign countries are not fully consistent with the recorded increase in foreign dollar receipts and the decline in foreign expendi-

tures from other transactions. This is indicated by a nearly \$300 million shift in the "errors and omissions" from a relatively large negative figure in the fourth quarter to a small positive entry in the first.¹

1. A negative discrepancy indicating an overstatement of inflows or an understatement of outflows has also occurred in the fourth quarters of previous years and may be due to the recording of receipts of funds during the fourth quarter while the corresponding payments occurred earlier in the year, particularly the third quarter. However, the relatively high amount of the statistical discrepancy for the fourth quarter of 1954 may also indicate unrecorded capital outflows, including commercial credits to finance the large increase of exports during that period.

Missing inflows of funds, as during the first quarter of 1955, are more usual in the balance of payments of the United States and represent mostly receipts from the sale of services for which data have so far not been collected. In addition to such receipts on these recurring transactions, about \$20-\$25 million of exports were not included in the official trade statistics for technical reasons. Unrecorded net movements of capital were apparently relatively small.

Merchandise imports expand

The rise in payments to foreign countries from \$4.9 billion in the last quarter of 1954 to \$5.1 billion in the first quarter of 1955 resulted mainly from higher merchandise imports, higher Government grants and Government short-term credits to finance the exports of agricultural products.

Merchandise imports increased by nearly \$200 million over the fourth quarter of last year. About half of the rise consisted of foodstuffs, particularly sugar and to a lesser extent tea, cocoa and cattle. Imports of sugar were about as high as a year ago, and the rise from the previous quarter was mainly seasonal.

The other half of the rise in total import values was contributed mainly by raw materials such as petroleum, rubber, wool, copper, hides and furs, and fertilizers. Import values of these products not only exceeded those during the preceding quarter but, except for fertilizers, also those of the first quarter of last year. Imports of lumber, while slightly lower than during the fourth quarter, were nearly 60 percent more than a year earlier. The rise reflects the increased domestic requirements resulting from higher business activity. For some commodities the higher values were also affected by higher prices.

At the same time, however, higher prices resulting from the high demand in the rest of the world reduced the effects of the domestic business expansion upon imports of some commodities. In the case of rubber and copper, at least, most of the increase in domestic demand was met from domestically produced materials as is shown by the following tabulation.

	Rubber		Copper	
	First quarter		First quarter	
	1954	1955	1954	1955
World price-----	20.2	33.1	*29.0	*41.8
Domestic price-----	24.1	24.1	30.0	32.0
Total United States consumption in 1,000 tons---	303	379	294	373
Domestic consumption-----	166	216	265	314
Imports, net-----	138	163	70	68

*Price in United Kingdom.

Consumption of imported wool was about 20 percent above the first quarter of last year, somewhat more than consumption of domestically produced wool which apparently absorbed most of the domestic output. Compared with 1952 and 1953, however, the use of imported wool has dropped while that of domestic wool has increased.

Imported wool has to compete not only with domestic wool but also with chemically produced fibers. These have increased in use substantially more than wool since last year and have contributed to the declining trend in wool imports relative to national income.

The recent rise of domestic and decline of world prices for copper, the low stock positions for copper, zinc, lead, lumber, newsprint, and other raw materials, and both the anticipated seasonal and longer run rise in imports of iron ore suggest that the rise in domestic business activity is not yet fully reflected in imports of those goods which are immediately affected by rising industrial production and construction. If foreign supplies are available to meet this additional demand, a further rise in imports of these materials is likely to occur.

Rising business activity and incomes in the United States have also stimulated imports of finished manufactures, such

as machinery, automobiles and parts, and photographic goods and miscellaneous consumer goods. Purchases of most of these commodities during the first quarter have been higher than during the corresponding period of any previous year. However, the total of such imports during the quarter was still less than \$300 million.

In contrast to the expansion of imports of most major items, imports of coffee were about \$100 million less than during the first quarter of last year, although average import unit values were still slightly higher. Although the use of coffee has declined as a result of changed consumption patterns following last year's rise in prices, there are also indications that imports were postponed as long as prices were expected to decline, and withdrawals from inventories could meet the current demand. In the longer run, however, imports will have to increase to cover the current rate of consumption, even if inventories are not rebuilt until coffee prices become more stable.

Travel expenditures were apparently somewhat higher than during the corresponding season of last year. Military cash expenditures abroad continued at the annual rate of about \$2.6 billion as higher purchases of goods for transfer to allied countries under military aid programs offset reductions in other expenditures.

Rise in Government grants

Government grants other than those in the form of military supplies and services have continued the rise in progress since the third quarter of 1954.

The principal factors contributing to the reversal of the declining trend which prevailed with little interruption from the middle of 1949 to the middle of 1954 were the payments to support military budgets of allied nations, the stepped up disposal of agricultural commodities, and increased aid to various countries in the Middle and Far East.

During the first quarter of this year, military budget supports amounted to \$243 million, compared with \$125 million in the fourth quarter of last year. Of the first quarter total, \$152 million was paid to France, \$60 million to Vietnam, and \$27 million to the United Kingdom. On the basis of available appropriations, it appears that the first quarter rate of disbursements to France cannot be sustained and such aid is, therefore, likely to decline again.

The value of agricultural goods exported from Government stocks and distributed abroad by private relief organizations rose from \$16 million in the fourth quarter to \$50 million in the first, but Government shipments under emergency relief programs declined slightly. Aid to Europe, other than military budget supports, was largely concentrated in Southern Europe. Aid programs in other countries were near completion.

Private capital outflow smaller

The outflow of private capital, which was a very important factor in sustaining foreign dollar receipts during the period of lower imports by the United States in 1954, was considerably smaller during the first quarter of 1955 partly because of the rise in interest rates in this country which reflected the increased demands upon domestic capital resources. The changes in the movements of long- and short-term bank and commercial loans have already been discussed.

New issues of foreign securities included Canadian issues as well as a European issue. Purchases of European stocks

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Table 3.—Balance of Payments of the United States, Annual

[Millions of dollars]

Line		1953	1954	1953				1954				1953				
				I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV	All areas	Western Europe	Western European dependencies	Eastern Europe	Canada
1	Exports of goods and services, total	21,215	20,896	5,367	5,726	4,887	5,235	4,771	5,688	4,854	5,583	21,215	7,739	699	27	4,059
2	Military transfers under grants,² net, total	4,251	3,132	1,281	1,373	803	794	817	1,002	706	607	4,251	3,440	-----	-3	-3
3	Supplies	4,063	2,947	1,232	1,312	767	752	774	944	657	572	4,063	3,288	-----	-----	-----
4	Services, including freight	188	185	49	61	36	42	43	58	49	35	188	152	-----	-----	-----
5	Other goods and services, total	16,964	17,764	4,086	4,353	4,084	4,441	3,954	4,686	4,148	4,976	16,964	4,299	699	27	4,062
6	Merchandise, adjusted, excl. military	12,245	12,707	2,979	3,168	2,918	3,180	2,821	3,478	2,907	3,501	12,245	2,983	500	18	3,119
7	Transportation:															
8	Freight	563	556	145	144	139	135	135	142	134	145	563	133	37	-----	42
9	Other	668	666	153	170	179	166	157	172	168	169	668	366	3	50	50
10	Travel	527	538	106	145	167	109	103	141	174	120	527	41	9	(*)	307
11	Miscellaneous services:															
12	Private	731	816	182	179	178	192	189	194	181	252	731	294	16	4	92
13	Government excl. military	172	136	45	52	40	35	40	34	31	31	172	74	1	(*)	2
14	Military transactions	192	179	71	43	42	36	47	42	52	38	192	21	-----	-----	114
15	Income on investments:															
16	Direct investments	1,398	1,665	314	374	294	416	363	388	374	540	1,398	143	131	-----	208
17	Other private	216	229	58	48	59	51	52	58	57	62	216	42	-----	128	-----
18	Government	252	272	33	30	68	121	47	37	70	118	252	202	2	5	(*)
19	Imports of goods and services, total	16,467	15,872	4,002	4,262	4,251	3,952	3,750	4,220	4,008	3,894	16,467	4,861	1,128	39	3,148
20	Merchandise adjusted (excluding military)	10,954	10,304	2,797	2,882	2,679	2,596	2,518	2,754	2,457	2,575	10,954	2,278	909	36	2,420
21	Transportation:															
22	Freight	437	387	103	114	117	103	93	97	99	98	437	241	-----	47	-----
23	Other	622	614	141	173	173	135	130	175	169	140	622	282	23	47	47
24	Travel	895	958	140	238	362	155	147	260	383	168	895	293	54	(*)	282
25	Miscellaneous services:															
26	Private	321	347	83	79	78	81	87	84	86	90	321	228	(*)	(*)	29
27	Government (excluding military)	276	248	72	65	84	55	52	57	81	58	276	95	6	2	4
28	Military expenditures	2,512	2,595	565	605	659	683	622	685	637	651	2,512	1,171	130	1	192
29	Income on investments:															
30	Private	364	360	81	86	76	121	86	94	82	98	364	238	2	-----	109
31	Government	86	59	20	20	23	23	15	14	14	16	86	35	4	-----	18
32	Balance on goods and services	4,748	5,024	1,365	1,464	636	1,283	1,021	1,468	846	1,689	4,748	2,878	-429	-12	911
33	Unilateral transfers, net, [to foreign countries (-)]	-6,700	-5,290	-1,919	-2,057	-1,339	-1,385	-1,358	-1,494	-1,222	-1,216	-6,700	-4,848	-23	-23	-8
34	total	-477	-452	-117	-120	-115	-125	-109	-114	-104	-125	-477	-243	-22	-15	-2
35	Private remittances															
36	Government:															
37	Military supplies and services	-4,251	-3,132	-1,281	-1,373	-803	-794	-817	-1,002	-706	-607	-4,251	-3,440	-----	-----	3
38	Other grants	-1,831	-1,578	-485	-523	-388	-435	-400	-346	-382	-450	-1,831	-1,138	(*)	-8	-----
39	Pensions and other transfers	-141	-128	-36	-41	-33	-31	-32	-32	-30	-34	-141	-27	-1	(*)	-9
40	United States capital, net, [outflow of funds (-)], total	-587	-1,528	-181	23	-189	-240	-187	-399	-302	-640	-587	284	-89	5	-380
41	Private, net, total	-369	-1,621	-196	58	-12	-219	-309	-375	-305	-632	-369	130	-85	(*)	-375
42	Direct investments, net	-721	-761	-176	-230	-182	-133	-129	-289	-118	-225	-721	-51	-82	-----	-387
43	New issues	-270	-309	-100	-24	-6	-140	-226	-34	-17	-32	-270	-----	-----	-----	-203
44	Redemptions	139	124	25	86	12	16	19	48	41	16	139	8	-----	-----	108
45	Other long-term, net	316	-40	40	136	105	35	-14	35	43	-104	316	199	2	(*)	94
46	Short-term, net	167	-635	15	90	59	3	41	-135	-287	167	-26	-5	-----	13	
47	Government, net, total	-218	93	15	-35	-177	-21	122	-24	3	-8	-218	154	-4	5	-5
48	Long-term capital, outflow	-716	-306	-65	-196	-286	-160	-54	-61	-65	-126	-716	-172	-12	-----	-6
49	Repayments	487	507	93	139	105	150	151	103	123	130	487	337	9	5	1
50	Short-term, net	11	-108	-13	22	4	-2	25	-66	-55	-12	11	-11	-1	(*)	(*)
51	Foreign capital, net, [outflow of funds (-)], total	1,105	1,459	114	300	450	241	443	253	439	324	1,105	1,040	-36	-2	-98
52	Direct and long-term portfolio investments other than U. S. Government securities	206	225	68	12	84	42	10	69	84	62	206	119	-----	-----	66
53	Transactions in U. S. Government securities	-82	8	26	18	-118	-8	16	55	62	-125	-82	(*)	-34	-2	-82
54	Short-term liabilities to foreign banks and official institutions	1,021	1,234	31	333	449	208	364	146	263	471	1,021	979	-----	-----	-140
55	Other short-term liabilities	-40	-8	-11	-63	35	-1	53	-17	40	-84	-40	-36	-2	-----	58
56	Gold sales [purchases (-)]	1,161	298	603	128	301	129	56	8	164	70	1,161	1,026	13	-----	-2
57	Foreign capital and gold, total	2,266	1,757	717	428	751	370	499	261	603	394	2,266	2,066	-23	-2	-100
58	Errors and omissions and transfer of funds between foreign areas [receipts by foreign areas (-)], net.	273	37	18	142	141	-28	25	164	75	-227	273	-380	564	32	-423

(*) Less than \$500,000. n. s. s. Not shown separately.

1. Beginning with 1954 the Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland was excluded from De-

pendencies and included in "All other countries."

2. Includes loans and returns of military equipment.

by Quarters and Annual by Areas, 1953-54, Revised

[Millions of dollars]

1953—Continued										1954											
Latin American Republics	All other countries	International institutions	Sterling area				All areas	Western Europe	Western European dependencies ¹	Eastern Europe	Canada	Latin American Republics	All other countries ¹	International institutions	Sterling area				Line		
			Total	United Kingdom	Other Europe	Dependencies									Total	United Kingdom	Other Europe	Dependencies	Other countries ¹		
4,352	4,270	69	2,565	1,153	63	383	966	20,896	7,269	702	30	3,830	4,695	4,295	75	2,810	1,342	50	384	1,034	
35	779	—	nss	nss	nss	nss	nss	3,132	2,312	—	(z)	47	773	—	—	nss	nss	nss	nss	nss	
33	745	—	—	—	—	—	—	2,947	2,167	—	—	43	737	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
2	34	—	—	—	—	—	—	185	145	—	—	4	36	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
4,317	3,491	69	2,565	1,153	63	383	966	17,764	4,957	702	30	3,830	4,648	3,522	75	2,810	1,342	50	384	1,034	
3,039	2,578	8	1,610	616	56	220	718	12,707	3,483	488	16	2,850	3,312	2,542	16	1,738	712	45	214	767	
164	187	—	98	23	1	17	57	556	137	43	—	43	167	166	—	90	26	(z)	21	43	
159	90	—	127	103	2	2	20	666	382	5	—	46	144	89	—	137	113	2	2	20	
138	32	—	35	15	(z)	7	13	538	48	9	(z)	311	144	26	—	36	18	(z)	7	11	
169	108	48	233	175	(z)	13	45	816	375	13	(z)	4	101	163	115	45	291	235	(z)	11	45
25	70	—	27	12	(z)	1	14	136	72	22	(z)	107	2	24	—	17	11	(z)	(z)	13	
12	45	—	28	2	—	—	26	179	22	—	—	—	11	39	—	—	—	1	(z)	16	
570	346	—	274	90	(z)	123	61	1,665	185	143	—	—	236	630	471	—	344	109	—	129	106
17	16	13	29	24	(z)	—	5	229	46	—	—	133	21	15	14	30	25	—	5	1	
24	19	—	104	93	4	—	7	272	207	1	—	10	1	32	—	103	92	3	(z)	8	
4,238	3,008	45	2,697	1,324	40	659	674	15,872	4,957	1,063	45	3,034	4,078	2,651	41	2,691	1,442	47	546	656	
3,570	1,741	—	1,704	544	13	547	600	10,304	2,024	845	42	2,341	3,434	1,614	4	1,522	501	14	429	578	
84	65	—	69	65	1	—	3	387	211	—	—	40	82	54	—	62	59	(z)	—	3	
177	93	—	149	114	3	14	18	614	284	23	—	48	161	98	—	146	113	4	13	16	
239	27	—	121	57	6	48	10	958	344	60	(z)	284	244	26	—	135	66	5	53	11	
46	18	—	189	185	(z)	(z)	4	347	261	(z)	—	28	48	10	—	219	217	(z)	2	2	
78	62	29	29	10	1	4	14	248	95	7	2	3	67	46	28	23	8	(z)	11		
27	991	—	292	210	16	44	22	2,595	1,456	123	1	192	24	799	—	429	329	24	43	33	
11	4	—	133	129	(z)	2	2	360	251	4	—	87	13	5	(z)	148	142	4	(z)	2	
6	7	16	11	10	—	—	1	59	31	1	—	11	5	2	9	7	7	—	(z)		
114	1,262	24	-132	-171	23	-276	292	5,024	2,312	-361	-15	796	617	1,641	34	119	-100	3	-162	378	
-118	-1,587	-93	-513	-319	-21	-18	-155	-5,290	-3,573	-26	-25	-7	-138	-1,461	-60	-309	-197	-17	-20	-75	
-53	-142	—	-88	-39	-13	-17	-19	-452	-231	-25	-16	-2	-47	-135	—	-95	-42	-14	-19	-20	
-35	-779	—	nss	nss	nss	nss	nss	-3,132	-2,312	—	—	(z)	-47	-773	—	nss	nss	nss	nss	2	
-25	-567	-93	-416	-277	-6	-2	-1	-133	-1,578	-1,000	(z)	-9	(z)	-7	-472	-60	-206	-151	-1	-54	
-5	-99	—	-9	-3	-2	-1	-3	-128	-30	-1	—	-9	-7	-81	—	-8	-4	-2	-1	3	
-206	-144	-57	-43	26	—	—	-84	15	-1,528	5	19	4	-423	-535	-435	-163	-155	-45	1	3	
-139	-119	-59	-39	-13	—	-76	50	-1,621	-198	12	(z)	-425	-501	-345	-164	-202	-130	—	-1	-71	
-117	-84	-31	-61	4	—	-76	11	-761	-36	6	—	-469	-102	-160	-160	-53	-53	-46	-5	3	
9	6	8	6	—	—	—	—	-309	—	—	—	-167	—	-54	-88	-14	-14	—	3		
25	34	-38	72	37	2	33	-40	67	7	—	145	-97	-79	-83	22	1	8	13	7		
222	-39	2	-56	-54	—	-2	—	-635	-240	-1	(z)	-23	-310	-61	—	-164	-120	-4	-31	3	
-345	-25	2	-4	39	(z)	-8	-35	93	203	7	4	2	-34	-90	1	47	85	1	4	-43	
-405	-121	—	-55	55	(z)	-10	-45	-306	-105	(z)	4	-8	-114	-79	-56	-7	-56	-7	3	-49	
61	72	2	-8	-16	(z)	-1	9	-108	-27	(z)	1	11	-83	66	1	40	63	56	4	4	
-1	24	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	(z)	-1	-3	-77	—	36	1	40	36	1	4	
124	1	76	20	-35	5	-3	53	1,459	1,115	-59	1	51	236	-86	201	6	28	2	-25		
14	-1	8	56	57	—	-1	(z)	225	214	5	(z)	-40	32	4	10	140	132	—	6	2	
7	71	15	35	35	5	(z)	3	61	1,234	942	-56	1	-135	85	-2	68	-17	-16	(z)		
32	-91	-1	-13	—	—	—	-5	-8	-8	-35	-6	—	-4	40	-5	2	-48	-47	—		
124	8	-8	482	480	—	3	-1	298	379	(z)	—	-12	-69	12	-12	50	50	(z)	(z)		
248	9	68	502	445	5	—	52	1,757	1,494	-59	1	39	167	-74	189	56	78	2	1	-25	
-38	460	58	186	19	-7	378	-204	37	-238	427	35	-405	-111	329	—	289	264	11	178	-164	

NOTE.—Except for the separation of military transactions in the exports of goods and services (line 12) the data for 1953 and 1954 are comparable to those published for earlier years in the Balance of Payments 1949-53 supplement to the *Survey of Current Business*. Net foreign investment equals the balance on goods, services, and unilateral transfers for all

areas: 1953—1,952; 1954: —266; 1953 by quarters: I —554; II —593; III —703; IV —102; 1954 by quarters: I —337; II —26; III —376; IV 473.

Source. U. S. Department of Commerce, Office of Business Economics.

Table 4.—Balance of Payments of the United

[Millions of dollars]

Line		Western Europe								Western European dependencies								Eastern Europe					
		1953				1954				1953				1954				1953					
		I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV		
1	Exports of goods and services, total	2,065	2,161	1,661	1,852	1,680	1,939	1,593	2,057	166	180	160	193	143	193	168	198	4	3	11	9		
2	Military transfers under grants, ² total	1,013	1,117	657	653	651	686	520	455														
3	Supplies	973	1,069	629	617	615	641	483	428														
4	Services, including freight	40	48	28	36	36	45	37	27														
5	Other goods and services, total	1,052	1,044	1,004	1,199	1,029	1,253	1,073	1,602	166	180	160	193	143	193	168	198	4	3	11	9		
6	Merchandise, adjusted, excluding military	755	744	667	817	709	910	742	1,122	126	131	117	126	103	141	113	131	2	2	6	8		
7	Transportation:																						
8	Freight	35	34	31	33	35	35	30	37	11	9	9	8	10	11	11	11						
9	Other	83	94	100	89	86	99	98	99	1	1	2	2	1	1	1	1						
10	Travel	9	12	12	8	10	14	13	11	2	3	3	1	2	3	3	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)		
11	Miscellaneous services:																						
12	Private	72	73	70	79	81	86	70	138	5	4	4	3	4	4	3	2	1	1	1	1		
13	Government, excluding military	19	19	20	16	24	18	15	15	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)						
14	Military transactions	9	3	4	5	3	4	8	7														
15	Income on investments:																						
16	Direct investments	31	41	34	37	35	55	39	56	23	32	27	49	24	32	37	50						
17	Other private	13	7	14	8	10	12	10	14														
18	Government	26	17	52	107	36	20	48	103														
19	Imports of goods and services, total	1,076	1,262	1,283	1,240	1,082	1,324	1,265	1,286	289	297	258	284	282	277	227	277	11	11	10	7		
20	Merchandise, adjusted, excluding military	551	587	573	567	448	520	484	572	231	240	201	237	231	225	169	220	10	11	8	7		
21	Transportation:																						
22	Freight	56	65	66	54	52	55	53	51	5	6	7	5	5	6	6	6						
23	Other	58	87	86	51	54	93	86	51	16	15	13	10	17	15	14	14	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)		
24	Travel	27	96	122	48	33	118	138	55														
25	Miscellaneous services:																						
26	Private	59	56	55	58	67	61	64	69	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)		
27	Government, excluding military	27	25	21	22	20	26	23	23	2	1	1	2	2	1	2	2	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)		
28	Military expenditures	236	281	298	356	340	381	346	389	33	33	35	29	25	29	35	34	(z)	(z)	1	(z)		
29	Income on investments:																						
30	Private	55	58	52	73	62	62	60	67	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1						
31	Government	7	7	10	11	6	8	8	9	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1						
32	Balance on goods and services	989	899	378	612	598	615	328	771	-123	-117	-98	-91	-139	-84	-59	-79	-7	-8	1	2		
33	Unilateral transfers, net, [to foreign countries (-)], total	-1,409	-1,541	-956	-942	-980	-960	-826	-807	-6	-5	-6	-6	-7	-7	-5	-7	-4	-2	-7	-10		
34	Private remittances	-57	-65	-58	-63	-52	-57	-55	-67	-6	-5	-6	-5	-5	-7	-6	-5	-7	-4	-2	-4		
35	Government:																						
36	Military supplies and services	-1,013	-1,117	-657	-653	-651	-686	-520	-455														
37	Other grants	-333	-348	-235	-222	-270	-210	-243	-277	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)						
38	Pensions and other transfers	-6	-11	-6	-4	-7	-7	-8	-8														
39	United States capital, net [outflow of funds (-)], total	62	147	-12	87	134	-5	18	-142	-3	-29	-8	-49	19	-3	4	-1	1	1	2	1		
40	Private, net, total	18	94	33	-15	7	-5	-32	-168	1	-32	-8	-46	14	-3	2	-1	(z)	(z)				
41	Direct investments, net	-41	4	-11	-3	-19	-15	2	-4	3	-31	-9	-45	11	-1	-1	-3	(z)					
42	New issues	3	2	2	1	5	2	1	3														
43	Redemptions	16	71	61	51	22	40	33	-28	(z)	1	1	(z)	1	(z)	1	(z)	6		(z)			
44	Other long-term, net	40	17	-19	-64	-64	-1	-32	-68	-139	-2	-2	-1	-1	-3	-3	-4						
45	Short-term, net	44	53	-45	102	127	50	26	-4	3	-3	-8	(z)	5	2	(z)	1	1	2	1			
46	Government, net, total	-20	-22	-113	-17	-18	-18	-7	-62	-3	-1	-4	4	5	4	2	1	1	1	2	1		
47	Long-term capital, outflow	71	70	73	123	120	57	70	88	-1	(z)	(z)	(z)	1	(z)	(z)	-1	(z)					
48	Repayments	-7	5	-5	-4	25	-39	-13															
49	Short-term, net	-26	465	377	224	324	387	202	202	9	-5	-18	-22	-8	-24	-25	-2	-1	-1	7	-7		
50	Foreign capital, net, [outflow of funds (-)], total	48	-1	41	31	23	60	71	60	(z)	1	(z)	-1		1	2	2						
51	Direct and long-term portfolio investments other than U. S. Government securities	-1	9	-37	7	14	24	4	-48	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	-1		-1		-1					
52	Transactions in U. S. Government securities	-81	440	393	227	291	304	108	239	10	-2	-22	-20	-7	-23	-25	-1	-1	-1	8	-8		
53	Short-term liabilities to foreign banks and official institutions	8	17	-20	-41	-4	-1	19	-49	-1	-4	4	-1	(z)	-2	-1	-3		-1	1			
54	Other short-term liabilities	505	103	297	121	63	72	171	73	1	1	1	10		(z)	(z)	(z)						
55	Gold sales [purchases (-)]	479	568	674	345	387	459	373	275	10	-4	-17	-12	-8	-24	-25	-2	-1	-1	7	-7		
56	Foreign capital and gold, total	-121	-73	-84	-102	-139	-109	107	-97	122	155	129	158	135	118	85	89	11	10	-3	14		
57	Errors and omissions and transfer of funds between foreign areas [receipts by foreign areas (-)], net																						

(1.) Less than \$500,000.

X Beginning with 1954 the Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland was excluded from De-

pendencies and included in "All other countries."

2. Includes loans and returns of military equipment.

States, Areas by Quarters, 1953-54, Revised

[Millions of dollars]

Eastern Europe				Canada								Latin American Republics								All other countries 1								Line		
1954				1953				1954				1953				1954				1953				1954				Line		
I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV	Line		
6	3	13	8	971	1,158	989	941	892	1,036	926	976	1,028	1,096	1,063	1,165	1,040	1,218	1,165	1,272	1,116	1,113	982	1,059	991	1,278	970	1,056	1		
				-1	-1	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	5	8	15	7	11	13	9	14	264	248	132	135	155	303	177	138	2		
				-1	-1							5	8	14	6	10	12	8	13	255	235	125	130	149	291	166	131	3		
												1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	13	7	5	6	12	11	7	4	4		
6	4	3	13	8	972	1,158	990	942	892	1,036	926	976	1,023	1,088	1,048	1,158	1,029	1,205	1,156	1,258	852	865	850	924	836	975	793	918	5	
					752	905	752	710	674	796	660	720	717	766	732	824	711	890	815	806	627	619	639	693	615	732	570	625	6	
					9	12	12	9	10	11	11	11	42	40	40	42	40	40	43	44	21	48	49	47	43	40	45	39	42	
(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)		11	12	14	13	11	11	12	12	38	39	42	40	36	37	36	35	34	34	7	10	23	22	21	22		
					58	84	103	62	56	83	107	65	31	37	40	31	36	43	34	33	34	7	10	9	8	7	9	7		
1	(z)	1	1	1	22	21	23	26	22	26	26	27	42	41	45	41	38	40	44	28	27	27	26	29	28	30	28	10		
	(z)	(z)	(z)		1	1	(z)	(z)	1	1	1	1	6	7	6	6	7	6	6	5	19	25	14	12	10	9	10	9	11	
					41	28	28	17	30	24	33	20	5	2	3	3	2	3	3	2	16	10	7	7	12	11	8	9	12	
					46	65	25	72	58	51	42	85	135	144	135	156	151	138	159	182	79	92	73	102	95	112	97	167	13	
1	(z)	9	(z)		32	30	33	33	31	33	34	35	4	4	4	4	4	6	6	6	10	3	5	7	4	4	5	7	15	
10	9	11	12	12	703	794	869	782	651	754	855	774	1,161	1,087	1,053	937	1,098	1,101	941	938	757	806	747	698	623	750	683	598	16	
					578	632	604	606	526	586	602	627	983	922	880	785	936	942	776	780	444	490	413	394	368	470	415	361	17	
					9	12	13	13	8	10	11	11	21	21	22	20	19	19	21	23	17	16	16	16	14	13	14	13	18	
(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)		11	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	46	43	44	44	37	40	40	44	21	25	24	23	22	24	25	27	19	
					25	58	156	43	25	59	157	43	65	62	65	47	65	61	67	51	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	5	20	
(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	1	8	8	6	7	6	8	7	7	10	11	12	13	11	13	12	12	6	4	5	3	2	3	2	21	22	
					1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	46	45	44	45	4	19	20	19	17	17	17	17	11	22	21	22	23	
					23	24	19	43	18	27	17	25	2	3	3	3	3	1	2	3	4	(z)	2	2	2	1	1	1	24	25
-4	-8	1	-4		268	364	120	159	241	282	71	202	-133	9	10	228	-58	117	224	334	359	307	235	361	368	528	287	458	26	
-8	-7	-4	-6	-1	-3	-3	-1	-1	-2	-1	-3	-24	-30	-35	-29	-34	-39	-31	-34	-439	-452	-330	-366	-318	-472	-330	-341	27		
-4	-5	-3	-4		-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-14	-11	-13	-11	-12	-12	-38	-35	-31	-38	-36	-33	-31	-35	-33	28			
-4	(z)	-1	-2		1	1	1	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	-5	-8	-15	-7	-11	-13	-9	-14	-264	-248	-132	-135	-155	-303	-177	-138	29		
	(z)	(z)	(z)		-2	-2	-3	-2	-2	-2	-3	-2	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-112	-142	-144	-170	-106	-117	-103	-146	30		
1	1	2			-173	4	-72	-139	-215	-122	-16	-70	-31	-110	-58	-7	29	-180	-160	-224	-46	5	-42	-61	-65	-85	-88	-197	32	
(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)		-171	3	-69	-138	-224	-119	-13	-69	-20	17	48	94	42	-183	-153	-207	-33	-29	-15	-42	-58	-60	-46	-181	33	
					-98	-107	-117	-65	-90	-164	-96	-119	-25	-71	-28	7	-5	-89	(z)	-8	-15	-25	-17	-27	-26	-20	-23	-91	34	
					-90	-14	-99	-135	-24	-6	-4	-1	-2	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-10	-6	-10	-9	-10	-7	-28	-35	35		
					11	81	4	12	3	42	35	9	2	3	1	3	1	3	2	1	(z)	5	(z)	3	1	3	2	36		
(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)		7	45	30	12	1	34	64	46	4	14	6	1	8	-8	10	-107	12	9	13	-32	-27	-6	-14	37		
1	(z)	(z)	(z)		-1	-2	14	2	-5	-7	-10	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-6	-18	6	-4	-13	-50	38		
					-2	1	-3	-1	9	-3	-3	-1	-11	-127	-106	-101	-13	3	-7	-17	-13	34	-27	-19	-7	-25	-42	-16	39	
					-2	-2	-3	-1	-1	-3	-3	-1	-18	-147	-120	-120	-21	-20	-26	-47	-22	-26	-50	-23	-14	-20	-29	-16	40	
1	(z)	(z)	(z)		1	(z)	(z)	11	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	8	20	14	19	9	22	19	33	13	43	14	2	6	23	29	8	41	
2	1	-2			-10	-231	51	92	-29	-59	49	32	77	104	29	-86	113	132	-53	44	101	-56	49	-93	-72	-144	64	66	43	
					20	6	36	4	-13	-11	1	-17	-1	4	4	7	-3	13	7	15	(z)	-1	1	-1	1	3	(z)	(z)	44	
					-9	5	-56	-22	2	-28	-4	-105	(z)	-1	-6	14	2	39	27	17	(z)	(z)	1	-1	-1	(z)	(z)	-1	-1	45
2	1	-1	-1		-86	-180	50	76	20	-5	32	183	79	108	3	-119	78	57	-70	14	183	-49	44	-85	-72	-126	46	69	46	
(z)	(z)	-1	1		65	-62	21	34	20	-15	20	-29	-1	-7	28	12	36	23	-17	-2	-82	-6	3	-6	-6	-21	18	-2	47	
					1	(z)	-2	-1	-1	-3	-4	-4	95	23	8	-2	-10	-54	-1	-4	1	2	2	3	9	(z)	2	1	48	
2	1	-2			-9	-231	49	91	28	-62	45	28	172	127	37	-88	103	78	-54	40	102	-54	51	-90	-63	-144	66	67	49	
9	13	3	10		-85	-134	-94	-110	-53	-96	-99	-157	10	4	46	-104	-40	24	21	-116	24	194	86	156	78	173	65	13	50	

NOTE.—Except for the separation of military transactions in the exports of goods and services (line 12) the data for 1953 and 1954 are comparable to those published for earlier years in the

Balance of Payments 1919-53 supplement to the SURVEY OF CURRENT BUSINESS.
Source: U. S. Department of Commerce, Office of Business Economics.

Table 4.—Balance of Payments of the

[Millions of dollars]

Line		International institutions								Sterling area, total								United Kingdom				
		1953				1954				1953				1954				1953				
		I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV	
1	Exports of goods and services, total	17	15	21	16	19	21	19	16	637	576	591	761	549	679	635	947	276	261	247	369	
2	Military transfers under grants,² total									nss	nss	nss	nss	nss	nss	nss	nss	nss	nss	nss	nss	
3	Supplies																					
4	Services, including freight																					
5	Other goods and services, total	17	15	21	16	19	21	19	16	637	576	591	761	549	679	635	947	276	261	247	369	
6	Merchandise, adjusted, excluding military	1	5	2	2	5	7	4	-----	431	361	386	432	351	431	418	538	108	145	134	169	
7	Transportation:									26	23	24	25	22	24	23	21	6	6	5	6	
8	Freight									28	34	34	31	29	37	34	37	23	27	29	24	
9	Other									7	10	11	7	7	10	9	3	4	5	5	3	
10	Travel																					
11	Miscellaneous services:																					
12	Private	12	12	12	12	11	11	11	12	59	58	58	58	61	65	53	112	43	44	43	45	
13	Government, excluding military									8	5	7	7	7	5	5	3	2	4	4	3	
14	Military transactions									11	4	4	9	6	4	4	3	(x)	1	(x)	1	
15	Income on investment:																					
16	Direct investments																					
17	Other private	5	2	4	2	3	3	4	4	58	67	56	93	61	83	82	118	22	24	19	25	
18	Government									9	5	10	5	5	10	5	10	8	4	8	4	
19	Imports of goods and services, total	.5	5	31	4	4	3	25	9	671	734	672	620	630	744	676	641	302	352	358	312	
20	Merchandise, adjusted, excluding military								4	449	460	403	392	357	427	367	371	134	136	146	128	
21	Transportation:																					
22	Freight									16	19	19	15	15	15	16	16	15	17	18	15	
23	Other									32	46	44	27	25	48	43	30	23	38	35	18	
24	Travel									22	37	44	18	24	40	47	24	5	19	26	7	
25	Miscellaneous services:																					
26	Private									48	47	47	47	58	49	54	58	46	46	46	47	
27	Government, excluding military	1	1	27		1	1	23	3	8	9	7	5	6	6	6	3	2	2	2	2	
28	Military expenditures									63	80	73	76	109	118	104	98	44	58	52	56	
29	Income on investments:																					
30	Private									(x)	(x)	(x)	(x)	31	37	3	39	36	33	30	36	
31	Government									4	3	2	2	4	3	1	2	2	3	3	3	
32	Balance on goods and services	12	10	-10	12	15	18	-6	7	-34	-158	-81	141	-81	-65	-41	306	-26	-91	-111	57	
33	Unilateral transfers, net [to foreign countries] (-), total	-36	-24	-2	-31	-10	-7	-25	-18	-124	-111	-152	-126	-74	-64	-71	-100	-99	-75	-92	-53	
34	Private remittances										-22	-24	-20	-22	-21	-25	-23	-26	-10	-10	-9	
35	Government:																					
36	Military supplies and services ²									nss	nss	nss	nss	nss	nss	nss	nss	nss	nss	nss	nss	
37	Other grants	-36	-24	-2	-31	-10	-7	-25	-18	-100	-84	-131	-101	-51	-37	-47	-71	-88	-64	-83	-42	
38	Pensions and other transfers									-2	-3	-1	-3	-2	-1	-3	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	
39	United States capital, net, [outflow of funds] (-), total	9	5	1	-72	-90	-5	-62	-6	-6	4	-7	-34	27	-41	-57	-84	-17	42	-16	17	
40	Private, net, total	9	5	-1	-72	-90	-5	-63	-6	11	12	1	-63	28	-38	-52	-140	-11	42	-16	-28	
41	Direct investments, net									-31	-84	-4		-3		-2	2	2	2	2	2	
42	New issues																					
43	Redemptions	8	5	-2	-42	-13	-5	-58	-7	1	21	5	(x)	3	(x)	2	2					
44	Other long-term, net	1	1	1	(x)	(x)	1	-1	1	-16	14	9	-45	19	-38	-57	-88	-12	14	-44		
45	Short-term, net									1	-17	-8	29	-1	-3	-5	56	-6	(x)	45		
46	Government, net, total	2									-12	-13	-11	-19	-10	-16	-16	-14				
47	Long-term capital, outflow									1	4	(x)	54	2	1	3	57	1	1	(x)	53	
48	Repayments	2									-6	1	3	-6	7	12	8	13	-7	-1	-8	
49	Short-term, net																					
50	Foreign capital, net, [outflow of funds (-)], total	-36	24	-45	133	55	-40	204	-18	-12	187	10	-165	108	205	-147	-160	-42	167	15	-175	
51	Direct and long-term portfolio investments other than U. S. Government securities	1	3	2	2	2	3	3	2	25	-7	15	23	23	37	39	41	25	-7	15	24	
52	Transactions in U. S. Government securities	36	5	-20	-6	(x)	20	36	12	7	9	11	8	17	-11	-5	-18	7	9	11	8	
53	Short-term liabilities to foreign banks and official institutions	-73	17	-27	137	52	-62	163	-32	-51	181	-17	-171	56	197	-192	-130	-83	155	-11	-188	
54	Other short-term liabilities		-1			1	-1	2	(x)	7	4	1	-25	12	-18	11	-53	9	10		-19	
55	Gold sales [purchases (-)]		-1	-5	-2	-5	-7	-4	4	320	41	121	(x)	(x)	50	(x)	(x)	320	40	120	(x)	
56	Foreign capital and gold, total	-36	23	-50	131	50	-47	200	-14	308	228	131	-165	108	255	-147	-160	278	207	135	-175	
57	Errors and omissions and transfer of funds between foreign areas [receipts by foreign areas (-)], net	51	-14	61	-40	35	41	-107	31	-144	37	109	184	20	-85	316	38	-136	-83	84	154	

(x) Less than \$600,000. n. s. s. Not shown separately.

1. Beginning with 1954 the Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland was excluded from

Dependencies and included in "All other countries."

2. Includes loans and returns of military equipment.

United States, Areas by Quarters, 1953-54, Revised.—Continued

[Millions of dollars]

United Kingdom				Other sterling area in Europe								Sterling area dependencies ¹								Other countries in sterling area ¹								Line	
1954				1953				1954				1953				1954				1953				1954				Line	
I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV	Line	
249	282	280	531	12	14	18	19	10	12	10	18	86	98	86	113	79	97	94	114	263	203	240	260	211	288	251	284	1	
nss	nss	nss	nss	nss	nss	nss	nss	nss	nss	nss	nss	nss	nss	nss	nss	nss	nss	nss	nss	nss	nss	nss	nss	nss	nss	nss	2		
249	282	280	531	12	14	18	19	10	12	10	18	86	98	86	113	79	97	94	114	263	203	240	260	211	288	251	284	3	
137	144	175	256	11	12	17	16	10	10	10	15	53	58	51	58	47	58	48	61	199	146	184	189	157	219	251	206	4	
7	30	30	6	6	(z)	1	(z)	1	(z)	1	(z)	5	4	4	4	5	5	6	5	15	13	14	15	10	12	11	10	7	
24	4	5	29	29	4	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	1	4	5	4	5	3	4	3	8	
47	51	38	99	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	4	3	4	2	3	3	3	2	11	11	11	11	12	12	11	10	9	
3	4	2	2	1	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	11	3	3	4	3	3	3	3	12									
23	29	19	38	-----	(z)	-----	(z)	-----	-----	-----	-----	23	30	25	45	23	28	35	43	13	13	12	23	15	26	28	37	13	
4	8	4	9	-----	88	-----	2	-----	2	-----	1	-----	2	-----	-----	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	1	1	2	1	3	1	4	1	15	
325	394	372	351	7	10	13	10	11	13	13	10	177	180	152	150	135	150	118	143	185	192	149	148	159	159	187	173	137	
112	134	121	134	4	3	3	3	3	4	4	3	147	150	123	127	104	122	89	114	164	171	131	134	138	167	153	120	17	
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18	40	35	20	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	5	4	4	5	3	4	3	5	19	
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57	49	53	58	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	1	1	1	1	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	2	1	1	(z)	1	1	(z)	21	
2	3	1	2	74	2	4	1	1	1	6	7	5	6	11	11	12	10	11	11	11	7	5	4	3	3	3	2	22	
83	92	80	80	-----	37	35	35	35	35	35	35	35	35	35	35	35	35	35	35	35	35	35	35	35	35	35	23		
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-76	-112	-92	180	5	4	5	9	-1	-1	-3	8	-91	-82	-66	-37	-56	-53	-24	-29	78	11	91	112	52	101	78	147	26	
-54	-35	-43	-65	-3	-10	-4	-4	-4	-4	-4	-5	-5	-4	-4	-5	-5	-6	-4	-5	-5	-17	-22	-52	-64	-11	-19	-20	-25	27
-9	-11	-10	-12	-2	-5	-3	-3	-3	-4	-4	-3	-5	-4	-4	-5	-5	-4	-4	-5	-5	-4	-4	-5	-5	-5	-6	-6	28	
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-44	-23	-32	-52	-1	-5	-1	(z)	-1	-1	-1	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	-11	-15	-48	-59	-7	-14	-15	-18	30	
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45	-32	-32	-26	-----	(z)	(z)	(z)	1	-8	-26	-26	-12	-38	1	2	2	2	-2	19	-12	21	-13	-19	-11	-12	-57	32		
39	-36	-41	-92	8	-21	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-6	-27	-12	-31	-1	2	1	-3	28	-3	29	-4	-10	-4	-27	-45	33	
8	3	41	92	8	-21	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-5	-28	-12	-31	-2	2	1	-5	19	-3	5	-10	-9	-3	-28	-6	34	
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18	-30	-60	-57	9	66	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	1	-2	1	(z)	1	-1	1	1	7	11	15	7	-4	6	12	-1	37	
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6	11	8	55	11	(z)	1	-1	(z)	(z)	(z)	1	1	(z)	1	2	3	2	(z)	1	1	1	41							
126	206	-120	-184	2	2	1	(z)	1	1	(z)	-----	-5	2	-----	-1	1	1	1	-----	30	23	-9	9	-17	-3	-29	24	43	
21	35	37	39	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	44		
18	-11	-5	-18	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	45		
78	195	-163	-151	2	2	1	(z)	1	1	(z)	-----	-3	-1	2	-3	(z)	-1	-1	-2	1	-5	-1	-3	3	-4	1	3	47	
9	-13	11	-54	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	1	1	1	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	(z)	48		
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126	256	-120	-184	2	2	1	(z)	1	1	(z)	-----	-4	3	-----	-1	1	1	1	-----	29	23	-9	9	-17	-3	-29	24	49	
-41	-77	287	95	-2	4	-3	-6	5	4	6	-4	103	116	79	80	61	56	25	36	-109	-----	-51	-44	-5	-68	-2	-89	50	

NOTE. Except for the separation of military transactions in the exports of goods and services (line 12) the data for 1953 and 1954 are comparable to those published for earlier years in

the Balance of Payments 1919-53 supplement to the Survey of Current Business.
Source: U. S. Department of Commerce, Office of Business Economics.

Private capital outflow smaller

(Text continued from page 7)

also continued to be significant. These new portfolio investments were more than offset, however, by retirements of bonds and repurchases of outstanding securities by Canada. Preliminary data indicate that direct investments were somewhat smaller than last year's rate. This dip may only be temporary, however, since direct investments are less affected by relative changes in interest rates than portfolio investments. In fact, direct investments should be stimulated by the rising worldwide demand for raw materials, the widening of foreign markets, and the growing understanding abroad of the role of American enterprises in promoting economic development. On the other hand, capital outflows through investment trusts, which contributed more than \$100 million of the new American investments in Canada during 1954, were not significant during the first quarter.

Foreign dollar receipts increasing

After the first quarter, a rise in United States foreign expenditures resulting from higher imports of goods and services may be partially offset by a reduction in grants. However, the outflow of private portfolio capital is not likely to shrink further, since during the first quarter it was already showing the major effects of the rise in domestic business activity, while direct investments may return to a higher rate. Dollar receipts by foreign countries, which rose from the fourth quarter of last year, can be expected, therefore, to continue at least at the higher first quarter level, or may even increase further.

Export rise leveled off

Payments by foreign countries for goods and services obtained from the United States, excluding those transferred under military grant-aid programs, declined from the fourth quarter of last year. Most of the decline was due to smaller income payments on United States foreign investments and represents mainly seasonal shifts.

Merchandise exports, which had risen during most of last year (after allowance for seasonal changes and the effects of the closing of port facilities in March) leveled out during the first quarter.

Shipments of cotton, tobacco, vegetable oils, coal and petroleum declined from the fourth quarter, while grains and some industrial goods, principally automobiles and aircraft, were in greater demand abroad. To a large extent the changes in exports were seasonal, particularly the decline in tobacco and to some extent also the rise in grains and passenger automobiles. Exports of semimanufactured steel and of steel scrap also increased.

Exports of textiles, metal manufactures, machinery, chemicals, and other manufactures remained approximately unchanged from the previous quarter.

Several divergent factors are currently affecting exports. Liberalization of restrictions against imports from the United States by some of the major European countries and their rising production and incomes have already stimulated United States exports of industrial goods, and this tendency should continue. Markets should also improve in most of the countries producing industrial raw materials and in Canada. On the other hand, downward adjustments in exports to the coffee producing countries of Latin America during the first quarter may not be sufficient if export earnings by these countries decline further. Credit restrictions in the United Kingdom and some of the Scandinavian countries, and import restrictions in Australia

during the first quarter of 1955 were intended to effect balance of payments adjustments by restricting imports or stimulating exports. These actions may also affect our exports, either by reducing our sales in these countries themselves or by increasing competition in other markets.

Among the unfavorable factors affecting foreign demand for United States exports may also be the lengthening of delivery periods for many industrial goods resulting from rising domestic demand. This is likely to reduce one of the competitive advantages on international markets which we have had over European suppliers.

Rise in foreign reserves to continue

A country by country analysis of the changes in foreign reserves during the last months of 1954 and the first three months of 1955 discloses that the decline in the accumulation of gold and dollar assets by foreign countries as a whole was due mainly to reductions in accumulations by those countries which had large accumulations last year. The fact that the overall decline was, with few exceptions, not due to rising losses by some countries, offset by substantially unchanged accumulations by others is an indication of the continued strength of the world economy. Most prominent among the countries reducing their formerly high rate of accumulations is Germany which absorbed about one-third of the rise in gold and dollar reserves by all foreign countries in 1954. As reserves in that country approached a satisfactory level, the need for further additions declined and larger shares of the current earnings of gold and dollars could be used for imports and other foreign expenditures.

Several countries strengthened their position during the first quarter. The United Kingdom after losing gold and dollar assets during the last half year of 1954 stabilized its holdings, notwithstanding the return flow of \$60 million of American short-term funds. The first quarter decline in official British reserves was apparently offset by increased dollar assets of British banks. Swedish balances also stabilized after declining during the latter part of last year.

Several European countries continued to raise their reserves during the first quarter, chiefly France, Italy and Spain. The international economic position of the major countries in Europe, therefore, continued to be strong, with rising import demands covered by sufficient earnings from exports.

Outside of Europe, the most prominent rise was in Mexican gold and dollar holdings which reached a higher point than prior to the Mexican devaluation in April of last year.

There were several countries, however, which had declines in their reserves during the first quarter. These included Canada, Norway, Brazil, Colombia and some other Latin American countries. The decline in Canadian reserves followed a sharp rise during the latter part of 1954 and does not indicate a basic strain on the Canadian balance of payments, especially since part of the decline resulted from large debt retirements. The \$125 million drop in Colombian dollar holdings during the first quarter required substantial curtailments of imports, but the loss of reserves was not much larger than the gold and dollar accumulations of that country during the recent period of high coffee prices.

The full impact of the rise in our business activity will facilitate a continued rise in foreign gold and dollar reserves. While unlikely to return to the relatively high rates of 1954, accumulations by the rest of the world as a whole can be expected to be higher than during the first quarter when the effects of the rise in business activity here on our foreign trade were not yet in full force, and debt repayments absorbed relatively large amounts of foreign dollar resources.

Patterns of Recent Employment Changes—Area and National

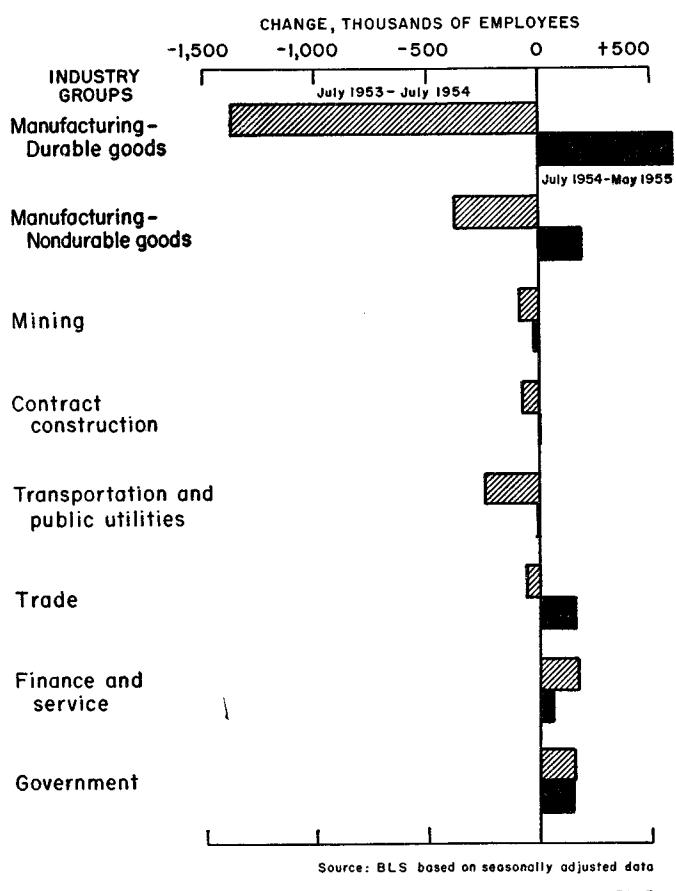
THE DECLINE and subsequent recovery in business activity in the United States after mid-1953 were of moderate proportions for the country as a whole. The character of the business swing was such, however, as to produce fairly pronounced differences in experience among product markets, industries, and areas. Various aspects of this divergence

Since, nationally, employment changes were heavily concentrated in a few major industrial sectors, it was natural that local areas relying heavily upon these industries for employment tended to have the most volatile employment experience. These national industry trends can be summarized quite quickly.

Total wage and salary employment in nonagricultural establishments, seasonally adjusted, fell from a peak of 49.9 million in July 1953 to a low of 48.0 million in August and September 1954, or by 4 percent. The subsequent advance had brought the seasonally adjusted total back to 49.2 million by May 1955.

The business decline centered in the sharp swing in inventory investment, particularly for durable goods, in the cut-back in defense purchases, and in some decline in the demand for consumer and producer durables. Thus, the employment impact was sharpest in the durable-goods manufacturing industries. At its greatest, the reduction there amounted to 1.4 million or 13 percent. Pronounced relative employment reductions were also experienced on the railroads and in coal mining, while nondurable-goods manufacturing and Federal Government civilian employment were less affected. Employment in trade, finance, and service, in contract construction, and in public utilities and transportation, other than the railroads, was little reduced or even increased. State and local government employment advanced steadily.

Changes in the Number of Wage and Salary Employees in Nonagricultural Establishments



in patterns have been reviewed in previous issues of the SURVEY. Extension of this examination to the differential experience of local market areas is made possible by information covering employment in nonagricultural establishments in principal metropolitan areas which is assembled by the Bureaus of Labor Statistics and of Employment Security of the Department of Labor.

Largest fluctuation in durable goods centers

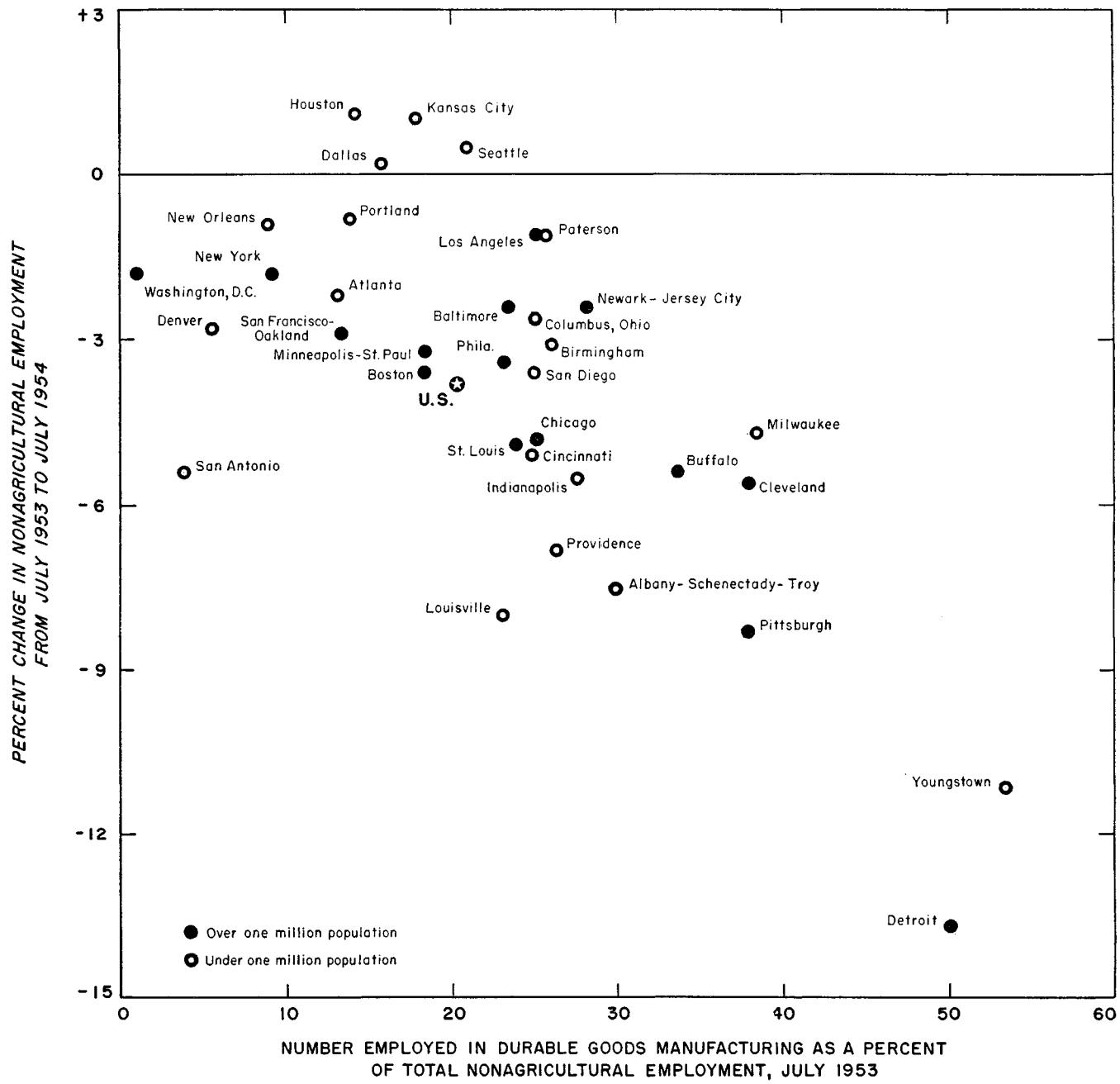
The durable-goods manufacturing industries alone experienced an employment decline equal to three-fourths of the reduction in the total, and in the subsequent recovery thus far, these industries have accounted for three-fifths of the increase. It is not surprising, therefore, to find that despite the wide variety of local influences and the presence of numerous exceptions in particular localities, there was a very noticeable tendency in the 1953-55 period for areas heavily dependent upon durable-goods manufacturing to experience the widest fluctuations in total nonagricultural employment.

This is illustrated, for the downward phase of the movement, in the accompanying chart. For the 35 metropolitan areas with the largest 1950 population, this chart relates the July 1953 to July 1954 percentage change in total nonagricultural employment to the percentage that employment in durable-goods manufacturing comprised of total nonagricultural employment as of July 1953. The time period used is as close to that of the maximum national employment decline as could be selected and at the same time avoids comparisons which might be affected by different seasonal influences.

The chart illustrates a substantial variation in employment experience over this period, with changes ranging from a 1-percent increase in Houston to a 14-percent reduction in

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Changes in Nonagricultural Employment, July 1953--July 1954, Related to the Proportion Employed in Durable Goods Manufacturing in 35 Largest U. S. Labor Market Areas



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Detroit. Half of these major areas experienced employment reductions within the narrow range of 2 to 5½ percent (as compared with a national change of 3.8 percent), with one-fourth showing reductions of more than 5½ percent and one-fourth reductions of less than 2 percent or actual increases.

Also apparent is the general tendency, already mentioned, for relatively large 1953-54 employment reductions to be associated with some exceptions with a heavy concentration of durable-goods production. Thus, of the one-fourth of the areas with the largest employment reductions, all except Louisville had greater-than-average concentrations of em-

ployment in the durable-goods manufacturing industries; 7 of these 9 areas with the sharpest employment declines are also among the fourth of the cities with the highest proportions of employment in durable-goods manufacturing. Among the one-fourth of the 35 areas which experienced the smallest employment declines, all but Los Angeles had less-than-average concentrations of employment in durable-goods manufacturing (although they were not heavily concentrated in the lowest quarter according to the durable goods ranking).

Thus it appears that the relatively unfavorable 1953-54 experience of such major hard goods centers as Detroit and

Pittsburgh, which was widely noted last year, was fairly typical of such areas. Toward the other extreme, employment in the vast New York-Northeastern New Jersey metropolitan area declined only 1.9 percent during the downswing. In the 9-county New York labor market only 9 percent of the nonagricultural wage and salary workers derived their income from durable-goods production in July 1953. This proportion was about the same as that for New Orleans (where employment fell less than 1 percent) and much below those for the remainder of the 35 large areas with the exception of 3 principal centers of Federal employment which are mentioned below.

Fast-growing areas less affected in 1953-54

Numerous areas, nevertheless, deviated from this pattern. One cause of systematic deviation was the long-term growth factor. This may be appraised crudely for the different areas by examination of the percentage change in total nonagricultural employment from 1940 to 1953, shown in the table.

Among the 10 large market areas with the most favorable 1953-54 employment experience, Houston, Portland, Dallas, Seattle, Kansas City, New Orleans, and Los Angeles, had experienced employment expansion since 1940 much above the average, and only Paterson had experienced a 1940-53 increase, well below the median of all the 35 areas. Providence, Youngstown, and Albany-Schenectady-Troy were among the localities that experienced 1953-54 employment losses more than double the national average, all metropolitan areas of relatively slow longer-term growth.

Moreover, some tendency existed for the areas with relatively strong longer-term growth to have had a more favorable 1953-54 employment experience, and for the slower growing cities to have had a less-favorable one, than would be indicated by the importance of durable-goods manufacturing alone. It is apparently for this reason that when account is taken of the degree of concentration of employment in durable-goods manufacturing, there was a pronounced tendency for the local areas with the most favorable 1953-54 employment experience to be concentrated in the rapidly growing Western and Southern regions of the country. Also to be noted is that, among the largest major metropolitan areas, those in which March 1955 employment exceeded that of March 1953—Los Angeles, Atlanta, Houston, Dallas, and Denver—all were in these regions. The only exceptions were two aircraft centers: Columbus, Ohio; and the Nassau-Suffolk subarea.

Data for the smaller metropolitan areas listed in the table also indicate a correspondence between both the importance of durable-goods manufacturing and the extent of 1940-53 employment expansion, on the one hand, and the change in employment experienced from July 1953 to July 1954, on the other. The range of employment experience was greater and substantial deviations from the pattern were more frequent than in the larger, and usually more diversified, population centers.¹

Influence of other industrial changes

It is apparent, however, that in all size groups other important factors were also at work in determining the employment experience of individual areas. These may be thought of as being of two types.

First, it is clear that a single split between durable-goods manufacturing and all other industries is not adequate to represent the influence of differential employment experience among industries even nationally. Not all durable-goods manufacturing industries were equally affected; employment in aircraft and parts production, for example, in July 1954 was only slightly below July 1953. Actual increases in aircraft employment in Los Angeles, which has

one-fourth of the total employment in that industry, and in the Nassau-Suffolk and Paterson sectors of the New York-Northeastern New Jersey area were influential in the favorable employment experience of those two metropolitan areas at that time. Strength of aircraft employment in that period was also a stabilizing element in Wichita, Tulsa, and Hartford. In Rochester, N. Y., about 40 percent of employees are engaged in the instrument and photographic equipment industry, which had a relatively stable employment experience.

Similarly, as already noted, pronounced employment reductions occurred in certain industrial sectors outside of durable-goods manufacturing, although the remaining aggregate of nonagricultural employment was well maintained.

The lowering of Federal Government employment was responsible for nonagricultural employment reductions which approximated the national average in Washington, Denver, and San Antonio (to mention only the larger areas) despite the slight importance of durable-goods manufacturing in these centers of Government employment.

Reduced operations in coal mining were responsible for sharp employment declines in a number of communities, including several in Pennsylvania and West Virginia, and the decline in railroad employment was similarly of importance in particular localities. Among the nondurable-goods manufacturing industries, most of which were fairly stable, employment in textiles was down sharply and had an important impact upon employment in most textile centers.

Wide area divergences in separate industries

The other major cause of pronounced variation in local employment experienced is the simple fact that, for a great variety of reasons, employment changes even within the same industry vary widely among communities. The chart on page 18 illustrates this point.

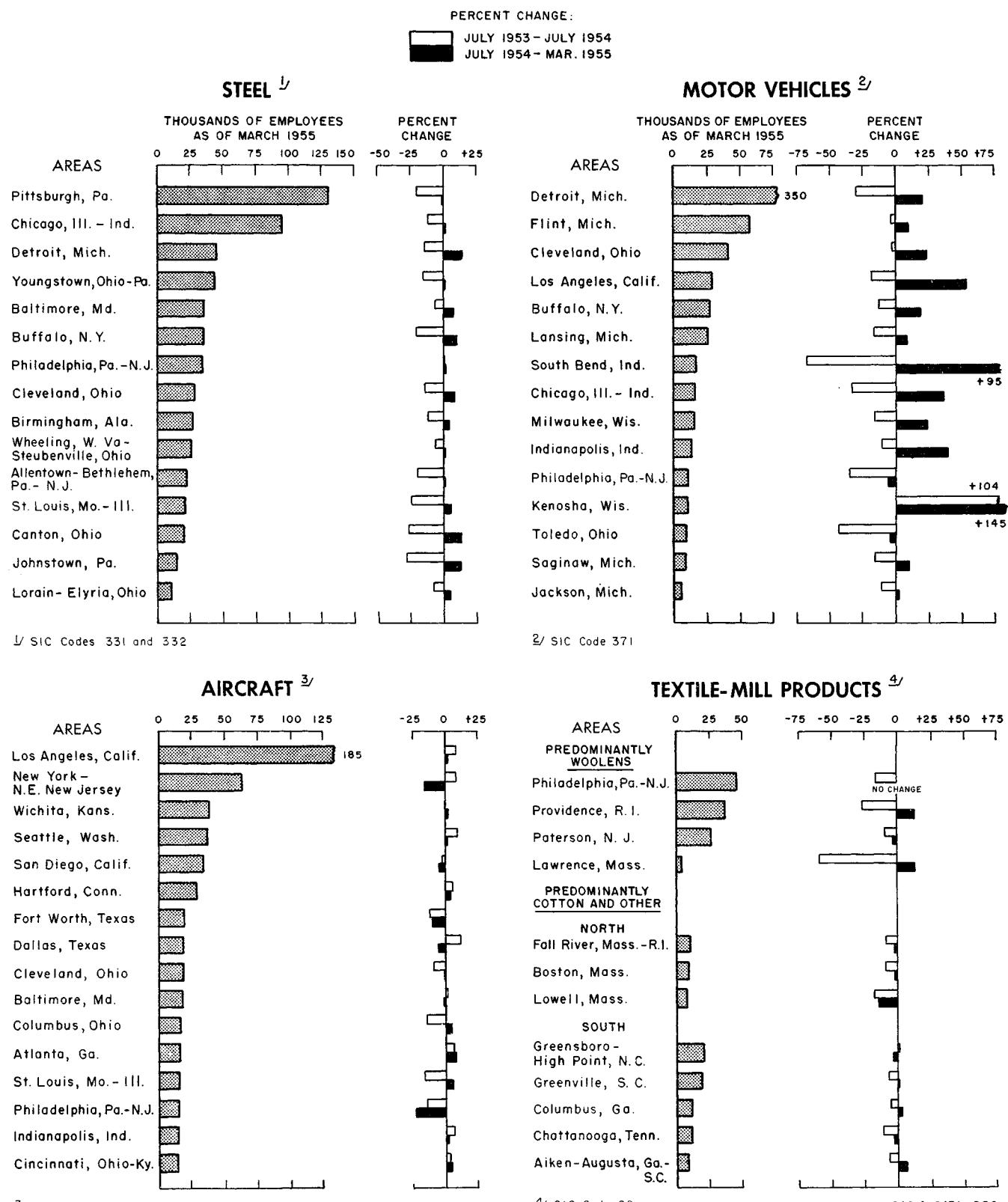
For four principal manufacturing industries, percentage changes in employment from July 1953 to July 1954, and from July 1954 to March 1955, are shown for the major production centers. Three of the four—steel, automobiles, and textiles—experienced pronounced employment fluctuations nationally during these time intervals, while aircraft employment nationally was down but little in the first period, and somewhat more in the second. It will be noted that the charts terminate with March, the latest date for which the data are available, and hence do not reflect the further improvement which has since taken place in employment nationally since that date.

Since the changes shown on the charts are based on data for single months at the terminations of the periods utilized they are influenced by random factors affecting individual localities in these particular months and may not be entirely representative of the experience of each of the areas shown. In addition, the differential experience of the communities may in part reflect different national production trends for specialized products within the broader industry groups. For example, the maintenance in 1953-54 of steel employment in Wheeling-Steubenville was apparently associated with the strength of demand for oil-country tubular goods.

The range of local market experience shown in the charts is so broad, however, as to make it strikingly clear that differences in employment experience among metropolitan areas were far from resulting exclusively from differences

1. A correlation based on preliminary data, for the 32 largest areas exclusive of Washington, Denver, and San Antonio, which were omitted because of the heavy concentration of Government employment, yielded a coefficient of correlation of 0.69 based on the importance of durable goods alone, and of 0.75 when the secular employment trend was added. For 31 of the next 35 areas (with 4 omitted for special reasons) the corresponding coefficients were 0.53 and 0.70; and for 18 of the 23 smallest areas remaining, they were 0.40 and 0.60. Because of the judgment involved in the selection of the areas and some question as to whether the basic relationship with these factors is linear, the coefficients can be used only as a rough indication of the degree of relationship.

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in the industrial composition of employment in the various areas; factors specifically affecting employment in the individual locality were also of great importance.

Specific illustrations can be readily drawn also from other industries. In electronics, for example, the strength of 1954 employment in Baltimore and Boston, both growing centers of electronics production, contrasted with sharp employment declines in the industry in most other major areas, and was a factor in the maintenance of total employment last year

in these areas. But it is unnecessary to belabor the point. It is evident that specific management decisions by both employing organizations and, with respect to order placement, their customers, have a major impact upon local area employment. These decisions arise from a host of considerations; by their nature they defy generalization. Any attempt to trace their relationship to the employment changes experienced by individual communities is beyond the scope of this article.

Wage and Salary Workers in Nonagricultural Industries (except Domestic Service), March-April 1940, March-April 1950, March 1953, 1954, and 1955, for Selected Metropolitan Areas

Standard metropolitan areas	Population		Wage and salary workers								Employment of women		Percent change		Employment in durable goods mfg. as	
	1950 (thous.)	Perc. change 1940-50	Number in thousands				Percent change				Percent of total		1940-55		Percent of total	
			March-April		March 1953	March 1954	March 1955	1940- 53 †	July* 1953-54	March 1953-55	April-March 1940	March 1955	Wom- en	Men	July 1953	March 1955
			1940	1950												
New York-Northeastern, N. J. ¹	12,912	10.7	3,551	4,537	5,299.0	5,212.8	5,167.6	49	-1.9	-2.5	29.1	32.7	64	38	13.7	12.7
New York Area (BES) ²	9,560	9.8	2,665	3,343	4,057.0	3,997.0	3,969.2	52	-1.8	-2.2	29.3	33.0	69	41	9.3	8.6
Nassau-Suffolk Counties.....	949	57.1	150	292	271.6	287.9	284.4	81	6.0	4.7	22.7	32.7	130	78	29.0	27.6
Newark-Jersey City (N.J.).....	1,951	7.4	620	839	822.0	806.5	787.2	35	-5.5	6.2	27.3					
Newark (incl. Jersey City) (BES) ²	1,746		525		772.4	759.0	747.7	47	-2.4	-3.5	28.5	31.2	55	37	28.1	26.3
Paterson (N.J.) (BES) ²	1,040		296		362.4	349.9	345.4	22	-1.1	-4.7	29.4	30.7	27	13	25.7	25.0
Perth Amboy (N.J.) (BES) ²	243		65		107.2	106.9	105.3	66	-5.1	-1.8	29.2	31.1	73	59	33.3	31.6
Chicago (Ill.-Ind.).....	5,495	13.9	1,595	2,110	2,556.7	2,464.3	2,447.0	60	-4.8	-4.3	27.5					
Chicago (Ill.-Ind.) (BES) ²	5,032	12.8	1,492	1,960	2,335.0	2,299.1	2,287.6	57	-4.5	-2.0	27.7	30.5	69	37	25.2	25.9
Los Angeles (Calif.).....	4,368	49.8	825	1,397	1,820.9	1,821.8	1,874.3	121	-1.1	2.9	26.6	32.0	173	111	25.2	25.6
Philadelphia (Pa.-N. J.).....	3,671	14.7	943	1,236	1,409.3	1,414.4	1,393.2	49	-3.4	-1.1	27.9	31.3	66	41	23.2	20.6
Detroit (Mich.).....	3,016	26.9	763	1,073	1,392.3	1,268.6	1,302.0	82	-13.7	-6.5	20.8	27.1	122	57	50.0	46.3
Boston (Mass.).....	2,370	8.8	812	968.1	943.5	936.9		-3.6	-3.2							
Boston (Mass.) (BES) ²			634	792	945.6	920.4		49	-3.1	-2.7	31.2	36.0	68	35	18.3	16.8
San Francisco-Oakland (Calif.).....	2,241	53.3	472	737	896.4	860.4	864.0	90	-2.9	-3.6	25.7	32.9	131	63	13.3	12.0
Pittsburgh (Pa.).....	2,213	6.3	562	725	835.8	786.7	773.5	49	-8.3	-7.5	19.8	25.2	75	28	37.8	33.9
St. Louis (Mo.-Ill.).....	1,681	17.4	433	594	731.7	709.2	699.3	69	-4.9	-4.4	26.8	31.4	89	51	23.8	21.4
Cleveland (Ohio).....	1,466	15.6	399	551	671.2	659.1	640.0	68	-5.6	-4.6	25.9	30.1	86	51	37.9	35.1
Washington (D. C.-Md.-Va.).....	1,464	51.3	349	549	629.8	606.0	610.7	81	-1.8	-3.0	31.7	37.6	109	61	1.2	2.3
Baltimore (Md.).....	1,337	23.5	350	458	556.7	551.2	548.6	59	-2.4	-1.5	24.8	32.4	105	41	23.5	21.8
Minneapolis-St. Paul (Minn.).....	1,117	18.7	273	406	478.6	474.2	469.4	72	-3.2	-1.9	30.7	36.1	99	56	18.4	15.8
Buffalo (N. Y.).....	1,089	13.6	270	373	448.0	434.4	427.7	66	-5.4	-4.5	23.5	26.1	76	50	33.6	32.8
Cincinnati (Ohio-Ky.).....	904	14.9	239	313	385.7	379.4	373.3	61	-5.1	-3.2	26.2	29.4	75	49	24.8	26.0
Milwaukee (Wis.).....	871	13.6	233	340	381.0	363.2	363.6	64	-4.7	-4.6	26.5	29.1	71	67	38.4	36.2
Kansas City (Mo.-Kans.).....	814	18.6	203	206	376.6	367.5	353.1	85	1.0	-6.2	28.2	29.4	81	71	17.8	15.0
Houston (Tex.).....	807	52.5	157	275	308.3	303.6	319.7	96	1.1	3.7	20.8	28.3	178	84	14.2	12.3
Providence (R. I.-Mass.).....	737	8.9	239	261	300.7	278.9	287.5	26	-6.8	-4.4	32.8	39.5	54	5	26.4	27.4
Seattle (Wash.).....	733	45.2	150	238	272.6	273.1	279.9	82	0.5	2.7	25.8	35.8	159	62	21.0	21.9
Portland (Oreg.-Wash.).....	705	40.6	136	219	238.0	230.6	231.3	75	-0.8	-2.8	26.3	30.1	94	61	13.8	13.4
New Orleans (La.).....	685	24.1	151	216	270.8	271.6	264.9	80	-0.9	-2.2	25.4	27.6	92	71	8.9	7.0
Atlanta (Ga.).....	672	29.7	147	231	294.8	298.4	306.5	100	-2.2	4.0	27.6	32.9	148	90	13.1	15.1
Dallas (Tex.).....	615	54.3	118	225	260.8	262.6	268.1	121	0.2	2.8	29.0	34.4	169	110	15.8	16.2
Louisville (Ky.-Ind.).....	577	27.8	129	195	231.3	216.9	223.2	79	-8.0	-3.5	26.1	34.9	125	49	23.1	25.2
Denver (Colo.).....	564	38.3	111	184	225.9	225.7	229.5	104	-2.8	1.6	27.8	30.8	197	73	5.6	5.4
Birmingham (Ala.).....	559	21.5	119	172	193.0	190.6	189.8	63	-3.1	-1.7	16.9	24.1	128	46	26.1	25.9
San Diego (Calif.).....	557	92.4	80	133	184.5	179.9	174.7	132	-3.6	-5.3	20.0	32.4	86	255	25.0	24.2
Indianapolis (Ind.).....	552	19.7	146	208	281.7	269.9	270.1	93	-5.5	-4.1	27.6	31.7	116	74	27.6	24.9
Youngstown (Ohio-Pa.).....	529	11.6	123	177	196.8	183.6	183.1	60	-11.1	-7.0	18.5	29.7	140	29	53.4	47.7
Albany-Schenectady-Troy (N. Y.).....	515	10.5	141	184	221.4	209.8	197.3	58	-7.5	-10.9	20.0	30.6	48	37	29.9	24.8
Columbus (Ohio).....	503	29.5	114	175	227.6	227.0	232.2	100	-2.6	2.0	28.0	36.4	165	80	25.1	21.7
San Antonio (Tex.).....	500	48.0	87	132	162.7	150.3	153.9	87	-5.4	-5.4	21.2	32.7	173	51	3.8	4.0
Miami (Fla.).....	495	84.9	79	156	203.6	216.0	214.9	158	9.2	15.5	25.6	32.7	282	170	4.3	4.3
Rochester (N. Y.).....	488	11.3	139	179	209.7	212.9	209.7	51	-2.0	0	30.7	35.1	73	42	41.0	39.4
Memphis (Tenn.).....	482	34.7	98	157	172.6	169.2	165.5	76	-4.2	-4.1	24.1	30.3	112	55	11.1	12.1
Dayton (Ohio).....	457	38.0	99	160	205.0	202.6	205.0	108	-3.0	0	24.3	28.9	147	95	36.0	35.0
San Bernardino (Calif.).....	452	69.4	53	104	129.7	131.0	132.0	145	-0.9	1.8	31.4	30.0	206	131	14.3	14.5
Norfolk-Portsmouth (Va.).....	446	72.3	81	116	149.6	144.6	144.2	84	-4.6	-3.6	16.1	31.7	245	45	18.7	15.5
Allentown-Bethlehem-Easton (Pa.-N. J.).....	438	10.4	119	157	176.1	167.7	168.4	48	-5.3	-4.4	27.0	30.2	58	35	36.1	31.2
Akron (Ohio).....	410	20.8	96	142	178.4	167.9	165.2	86	-7.7	-7.4	22.7	29.2	122	58	18.6	16.5
Tampa-St. Petersburg (Fla.).....	409	50.4	65	109	123.8	128.8	132.7	92	2.8	7.2	27.2	34.7	163	84	2.9	3.7
Springfield-Holyoke (Mass.) BES ²	407	11.7	127	165.3	159.7	155.4	30	-6.3	-6.0	30.0	33.0	35	17	29.8	24.6	
Toledo (Ohio) (BES) ²	396	14.9	100	143	168.7	153.0	155.0	69	-9.7	-8.1	29.0	29.4	85	46	30.6	35.1
Wilkes-Barre-Hazleton (Pa.).....	392	-11.2	101	124	118.8	110.2	109.0	17	-9.7	-8.2	22.8	43.5	105	-21	6.4	5.3
Omaha (Nebr.-Iowa).....	366	12.7	86	125	141.8	142.6	141.1	64	-1.2	-0.5	27.3	34.5	107	47	3.9	3.7
Fort Worth (Texas).....	361	60.2	59	125	151.2	151.4	156.4	158	1.6	3.4	26.2	29.4	199	155	22.4	20.8
Hartford (Conn.) (BES) ²	358	21.1	106	139	193.7	198.6	195.7	82	-1.1	1.0	30.4	36.0	118	69	33.4	32.7
Wheeling-Stevensville (W. Va.-Ohio).....	354	-2.8	91	110	113.9	108.4	109.5	25	-4.3	-3.1	19.9	24.1	46	14	40.9	41.5
Syracuse (N. Y.).....	342	15.8	84	120	144.0	141.1	136.0	72	-7.0	-5.6	26.9	31.0	87	53	34.7	31.9
Knoxville (Tenn.).....	337	37.0	60	96	114.0	115.6	117.8	90	3.9	3.3	26.2	27.9	107	92	13.3	12.7
Phoenix (Ariz.).....	332	78.2														

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1954, and 1955, for Selected Metropolitan Areas—Continued**

Standard metropolitan areas	Population		Wage and salary workers								Employment of women		Percent change		Employment in durable goods mfg. as	
	Perc. 1950 (thous.)	change	Number in thousands				Percent change				Percent of total		1940-55		Percent of total	
			March-April		March 1953	March 1954	March 1955	1940- 53 †	July * 1953-54	March 1953-55	April- March 1940	March 1955	Wom- en	Men	July 1953	March 1955
			1940-50	1940	1950											
Grand Rapids (Mich.)	288	17.0	67	97	107.0	104.5	108.3	60	-3.0	1.2	25.6	32.1	103	48	41.4	41.9
Utica-Rome (N. Y.)	284	8.0	73	87	97.3	94.7	92.1	34	-5.7	-5.3	30.5	36.8	52	15	31.0	32.4
Canton (Ohio)	283	20.6	65	96	126.0	112.1	115.4	93	-11.0	-8.4	20.4	27.4	136	61	48.7	46.3
Sacramento (Calif.)	277	62.7	47	88	112.2	110.4	114.6	137	0.8	2.1	27.3	32.2	186	126	3.1	2.6
Fresno (Calif.)	276	54.9	33	60	66.8	63.8	67.7	102	0.6	1.3	24.0	31.4	168	84	8.2	8.7
Worcester (Mass.) (BES) ²	276	9.3	80	106.2	104.7	103.7	34	-3.5	-2.4	28.2	34.1	57	20	35.0	32.5	
Tacoma (Wash.)	276	51.5	50	68	71.7	68.3	69.6	44	-3.3	-2.9	18.3	30.5	133	19	14.5	14.1
Salt Lake City (Utah)	275	29.9	55	86	103.9	102.0	107.6	89	0.1	3.6	24.2	27.1	119	88	8.5	7.7
Flint (Mich.)	271	18.9	65	96	111.2	119.0	129.3	72	2.8	16.3	18.9	21.1	123	95	62.0	65.6
Wilmington (Del.) (BES) ²	268	21.0	57	89	102.8	96.9	97.8	81	-4.1	4.9	23.9	28.1	103	63	17.7	14.9
New Haven (Conn.) (BES) ²	265	9.9	95	98	118.6	117.4	117.4	25	-2.5	-1.0	30.3	36.2	48	13	26.2	24.8
Bridgeport (Conn.) (BES) ²	258	21.4	79	94	124.1	117.1	115.2	58	-6.2	-7.2	30.3	32.0	55	69	48.6	47.0
Scranton (Pa.)	257	-14.6	68	82	83.5	82.4	78.8	23	-9.5	-5.6	27.1	37.3	60	0	12.0	11.2
Reading (Pa.)	256	5.7	76	97	100.0	93.4	93.4	32	-2.5	-6.6	31.2	34.6	37	17	25.8	23.3
Duluth-Superior (Minn.-Wis.) (BES) ²	253	-0.5	56	51	50.5	49.6	48.4	-9	-3.1	-4.2	23.4	34.5	28	-26	14.2	14.5
Tulsa (Okla.)	252	30.2	51	82	113.5	115.9	119.2	123	-1.3	5.0	25.0	28.2	164	124	19.4	19.3
Des Moines (Iowa)	226	15.4	55	81	91.0	89.6	93.6	65	1.6	2.9	30.4	36.6	104	55	11.3	14.7
Trenton (N. J.)	230	16.5	62	85	126.9	122.6	123.0	103	-6.8	-3.1	30.3	32.2	109	92	31.5	28.6
Wichita (Kansas)	222	55.1	38	75	120.0	114.6	117.8	219	-1.3	-1.8	27.4	32.2	267	192	37.7	37.3
Charlotte (N. C.)	197	29.8	46	70	83.6	82.9	83.0	81	-1.7	-0.7	29.1	41.8	152	47	6.0	4.8
Mobile (Ala.)	231	62.8	34	66	78.3	77.4	79.4	128	-8.2	1.4	18.4	26.7	235	108	7.9	7.4
Spokane (Wash.)	222	34.6	44	65	68.1	66.3	66.8	59	-2.2	-1.9	25.6	30.5	83	43	13.5	14.8
South Bend (Ind.)	205	26.7	49	77	96.0	83.8	84.9	97	-23.8	-11.6	25.8	28.5	119	78	46.2	43.3
Little Rock-N. Little Rock (Ark.)	197	26.0	36	61	68.3	68.0	67.9	88	-5.0	-0.6	25.7	32.4	136	70	9.0	9.7
Beaumont-Port Arthur (Tex.)	195	34.2	39	62	67.4	66.5	68.6	72	4.5	1.8	15.8	22.3	146	61	7.5	6.4
Fort Wayne (Ind.)	184	18.5	44	65	81.9	74.2	72.7	85	-11.8	-11.0	28.1	33.5	96	52	39.5	39.9
Evansville (Ind.)	160	22.7	37	55	83.2	68.7	68.4	122	-14.8	-17.8	25.1	28.5	108	74	48.1	37.7
Winston Salem (N. C.)	146	15.5	38	51	59.5	60.5	61.8	57	3.8	3.9	36.4	39.6	77	-2	14.2	14.
Albuquerque (N. Mex.)	146	109.9	14	39	53.7	52.4	56.4	276	-1.6	5.0	25.1	26.1	292	272	11.4	14.6
Fall River (Mass.)	137	1.6	46	51	49.9	48.1	47.7	9	-6.4	-4.4	40.9	46.6	19	-6	2.0	2.7
Lawrence (Mass.)	126	0.9	44	49	40.0	34.4	34.2	-10	-14.0	-14.5	35.8	35.9	-23	-23	9.4	9.1

*Data for July 1953-July 1954 adjusted for industrial disputes involving 1,000 or more workers.

†Percentages calculated before 1940 and 1950 data were rounded.

1. *New York-Northeastern New Jersey*, a standard metropolitan area, is not reported currently by BLS or BES. The 4 labor markets which report to BES, however, substantially cover the area, actually within 50 thousand workers, or 1 percent. Population is shown for the entire SMA, for the 9-county area comprising the *New York labor market area* as reported by BES, and for the *Newark-Jersey City sub-area* comprising Hudson, Essex and Union counties as reported by BLS. Other data for the huge 13 million population SMA represent a weighted 4-labor market area summary. Data on the employment of women in March 1955 for New York City were not available and were estimated by the Office of Business Economics on the basis of their proportion in nonagricultural employment in the 1950 census.

2. The areas so noted are labor market areas as defined by BES and differ from the SMA. Data on population are generally given on SMA basis because of its ready availability for 1950. Differences in area definition are described below:

In the *New Haven* area, under both BES and BLS reporting, 4 towns are included in addition to the 8 towns comprising the SMA; *Bethany, Gullford, Madison and North Branford*. The *Hartford* area includes not only the SMA but also *Canton, East Granby, Granby, and Bolton*.

To indicate more fully the diversity of employment experience among localities, data have been assembled in the table for all labor market areas with a population of 275,000 or more in 1950, and 23 additional smaller areas. Some of the latter have been included in order to provide fuller geographic coverage in the South, and some are illustrative of special situations—such as *Fall River* and *Lawrence* where the decline in textile activity has created an oversupply of labor for many years.

The 1950 population, and total nonagricultural employment as of the March-April census enumeration periods of 1940 and 1950 and as of March of 1953, 1954, and 1955 are shown for each area, as is the importance of employment in durable goods manufacturing in March of 1953 and 1955. In addition, the proportion of female employment and the percentage changes in male and female employment are shown for selected dates. Although not utilized in the discussion of recent employment changes, the latter figures are of interest inasmuch as they show wide differences among areas both in the proportion of women among nonagricultural wage and salary workers and in employment trends for males and females. Especially noticeable are the sizeable increases which have occurred in female employment generally and also in a number of areas where male employment has shown little expansion or actually declined since 1940.

The data for the 95 labor market areas, which are based upon Bureau of Labor Statistics and Bureau of Employment Security reports for 1953-55 and Bureau of Census data for 1940 and 1950, have been made as comparable as possible by adjustment of the earlier figures.

The United States Census of population of 1950 based the definitions of standard metropolitan areas upon the inclusion of stated counties. The two exceptions to this rule were in densely populated New England where area confines were established by towns, and in Virginia where large cities are independent and outside of county boundaries.

The standard metropolitan area as defined in the 1950 Census was quite different from the concept of the metropolitan district utilized in the 1940 Census, which was based upon population density. The standard metropolitan area is similar to the industrial areas used by the 1930 and 1947 Censuses of Manufactures.

It was necessary to convert the Census data to a comparable basis in geographic coverage. By so doing comparable employment data were developed for the census periods of 1940 and 1950 which would tie in with the present area reporting of wage and salary employment by the BLS metropolitan area and BES labor market area reporting programs.

Method of conversion

In the Census of 1940, the total number of wage and salary workers was given for each county and city in the United States, for the larger towns in New England, and for the townships and boroughs of New Jersey. From this class-of-worker group, two subtractions were made—domestic service workers, and farm laborers and farm foremen. Estimates for geographic subdivisions for which class-of-worker data were not available were made by applying the ratio of nonagricultural wage and salary workers to the population of the subdivision in proportion to that of the appropriate county. These data were then combined into SMA or BES labor market areas.

For 1950, Census data on a standard metropolitan area basis greatly facilitated the operation. For that year the total number of wage and salary workers was obtained by adding Government wage and salary workers to those employed in private industries, and then pr-

The *Bridgeport* area adds to the SMA the towns of Easton and Monroe.

The *Springfield-Holyoke* SMA and *Boston* SMA are very different from the labor market areas as reported. Brockton is considered a separate labor market.

The *Wilmington* area, Delaware, excludes Salem county, N. J., a part of the SMA.

The *Chicago labor market area* includes Cook and DuPage counties, Illinois, and Lake County, Indiana. The SMA, considerably larger in area, comprises 4 additional Illinois counties.

The *Duluth-Superior* labor market includes the city of Duluth and Douglas county, Wisconsin, but excludes the remainder of St. Louis county, Minnesota.

The *Toledo* labor market area includes not only Lucas county (the SMA), but also the industrial townships of Ross and Rossford in Wood county.

NOTE.—Precise definitions of labor market areas are contained in the Directory of Important Labor Market Areas, 4th Edition July 1954, U. S. Department of Labor; standard metropolitan areas are defined in the list of SMA's published by the Bureau of the Budget, 1951 and revisions.

Sources: U. S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census (1940 and 1950) and Office of Business Economics; U. S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Employment Security and Bureau of Labor Statistics (1953-55).

Technical Notes

vate household workers (as they were renamed in 1950) and farm laborers, (except unpaid family workers), and farm foremen were removed from the total as in 1940.

Data subsequent to 1950 were obtained where available from the Bureau of Labor Statistics, which covers about one-fourth of the areas, and from the Bureau of Employment Security for the remaining areas. Care was taken to see that the data were revised to the most current available benchmarks from unemployment compensation data.

In order to tie into current area employment series in those cases where BES labor market areas differ from the standard metropolitan area, mainly in New England and New Jersey, conversion was also made to the BES labor market area basis. This was particularly desirable because the breakdown of employment by sex is available only from BES data.

Differences in concept

In the data presented in this article, census estimates obtained by the enumeration of individuals are made consistent, as far as possible, with the BES-BLS establishment or payroll series. Although conceptual differences between these two series are not considered significant enough seriously to impair the comparisons of employment changes by areas, they should nevertheless be mentioned. These conceptual differences are:

(1) Data are by residence of the employee in the population census and by location of establishment in the payroll series. These are not generally inconsistent by area if the standard metropolitan area is sufficiently broad in geographical coverage to include the general commuting areas from which the labor supply is drawn. In some densely populated areas in New England, it appears that some, but relatively slight, interarea commuting occurs. Under such circumstances discrete labor markets are difficult to define. This problem, however, is seldom present elsewhere.

In some cases suburban growth has outstripped the current metropolitan area definition, or the area was perhaps too restricted to begin with. For example, the Indianapolis, Trenton, and Evansville areas in the table show employment gains which have far outstripped the indicated population rise over the intercensal decade. In this respect the tabulation may be helpful in reconsidering the area definition.

(2) In census data, a worker is listed only by his primary occupational or industry attachment. BES-BLS establishment data, on the other hand, include all payroll entries for multiple jobholders. It is not likely that trends in multiple job holding, particularly over a short-range period, would be enough to produce any important bias in the comparison of area employment changes, although it should be recognized that this factor makes comparisons of the 1940 and 1950 Census with the 1953-55 establishment data somewhat inexact.

(3) Census data do not include any employed youth under 14 years of age. The payroll series include all persons receiving wages regardless of age, but in the nonagricultural industries with which this study is concerned, this difference has a negligible effect.

(4) In the Census series, wage and salary workers in nonagricultural industries include those "employed but not at work" during the census period of enumeration. Establishments report persons "employed but not at work" which include only those receiving pay as on paid vacations or paid leave for sickness or other causes. It is not likely that this difference would affect significantly the trend in any of the periods covered. Employment data are shown only for identical months so as to avoid possible seasonal distortions.

New or Revised STATISTICAL SERIES

Manufacturers' Orders and Inventories by Stage of Fabrication



THE following tables complete the presentation of the revised data by the Office of Business Economics on manufacturers' sales, inventories and orders. Last month's SURVEY carried a brief note on the nature of the revisions and presented the revised data on sales and the book value of inventories by major manufacturing industries.

The estimates of new orders, unfilled orders and inventory book values by the various stages of fabrication shown in this issue are revised back to January 1951. The data for earlier periods are unchanged and presented here for comparative purposes.

Seasonally adjusted estimates of inventories of purchased materials, goods-in-process and finished goods have also been

developed. These are shown in the accompanying tables with a breakdown of each of the three components into durable- and nondurable-goods groups of industries.

The seasonal factors for all of the components were derived by the standard "ratio-to-moving average" procedures. The seasonally corrected series thus derived for purchased materials, goods-in-process and finished goods inventories were adjusted so that their sum equaled the seasonally adjusted inventories obtained by totaling the seasonally adjusted estimates of total inventories for each industry. The major reason for this adjustment—which never exceeded 1 percent in any month—is that a larger sample of firms reports total inventories than is able to provide data by stage of fabrication.

Table 1.—Manufacturers' New Orders, 1951-54

[Millions of dollars]

Unadjusted for seasonal variation												Adjusted for seasonal variation																
Year and Month	Total manufacturering	Durable-goods industries						Nondurable goods industries			Total manufacturering	Durable-goods industries						Nondurable goods industries			Total manufacturering	Durable-goods industries						
		Total	Primary metal	Fabricated metal	Machinery ¹	Transportation equipment	Other ²	Total	With unfilled orders ³	Other ⁴		Total	Primary metal	Fabricated metal	Machinery ¹	Transportation equipment	Other ²	Total	With unfilled orders ³	Other ⁴		Total	Primary metal	Fabricated metal	Machinery ¹	Transportation equipment	Other ²	Total
1951: Jan.	29,413	16,108	2,206	1,899	4,526	4,197	3,280	13,305	3,977	9,328	29,210	15,924	2,121	1,651	4,454	4,418	3,280	13,286	4,017	9,269	29,132	15,763	2,081	1,782	4,018	3,165	2,717	12,582
Feb.	25,751	13,440	2,039	1,550	3,969	3,165	2,717	12,311	3,542	8,769	26,345	13,763	2,081	1,782	4,018	3,165	2,717	12,194	3,578	9,004	26,289	14,361	2,280	1,464	4,142	3,737	2,738	11,531
Mar.	28,199	15,569	2,554	1,493	4,563	4,111	2,848	12,630	3,392	9,238	26,555	14,361	2,280	1,464	4,142	3,737	2,738	12,194	3,170	9,024	26,492	13,356	2,466	1,292	4,099	3,700	2,571	11,531
Apr.	24,512	13,356	2,253	1,279	3,796	3,431	2,597	11,156	2,677	8,479	24,671	13,140	2,146	1,245	3,431	3,431	2,571	11,917	2,789	8,742	24,604	12,566	2,145	1,386	3,024	2,375	2,474	11,905
May	24,260	12,566	2,156	1,145	3,866	3,024	2,375	11,694	2,731	8,963	25,096	13,179	2,178	1,245	4,099	3,183	2,474	11,917	2,905	9,012	24,389	13,377	2,123	1,225	3,869	2,593	2,499	11,171
June	24,389	13,377	1,927	1,223	3,763	3,869	2,593	10,992	2,452	8,540	23,768	12,597	2,095	1,237	3,499	3,224	2,542	11,404	2,404	8,767	23,768	12,597	2,095	1,237	3,499	3,224	2,542	11,171
July	22,671	12,073	2,076	1,045	3,509	3,321	2,122	10,598	2,104	8,494	23,366	12,126	2,097	995	3,612	3,321	2,101	11,240	2,364	8,876	23,366	12,126	2,097	995	3,612	3,321	2,101	11,240
Aug.	23,064	11,295	2,058	1,056	3,498	2,360	2,323	11,769	2,422	9,347	23,110	11,693	2,100	9,305	3,605	2,776	2,234	11,417	2,446	8,971	23,110	11,693	2,100	9,305	3,605	2,776	2,234	11,417
Sept.	22,054	10,389	1,632	1,212	2,956	2,502	2,087	11,665	2,600	9,065	21,852	10,503	1,813	1,045	3,056	2,502	2,087	11,319	2,407	8,942	21,852	10,503	1,813	1,045	3,056	2,502	2,087	11,319
Oct.	25,024	12,349	2,343	1,287	3,405	2,907	2,407	12,675	2,811	9,864	23,993	12,252	2,252	1,226	3,422	3,060	2,292	11,741	2,579	9,162	23,993	12,252	2,252	1,226	3,422	3,060	2,292	11,741
Nov.	23,010	11,000	1,665	1,095	3,215	3,083	1,942	12,010	2,842	9,168	23,594	11,710	1,753	1,319	3,532	3,083	2,023	11,834	2,707	9,177	23,594	11,710	1,753	1,319	3,532	3,083	2,023	11,834
Dec.	21,805	10,573	1,696	1,045	3,441	2,619	1,772	11,232	2,635	8,507	22,430	10,703	1,631	1,174	3,332	2,619	1,947	11,727	2,833	8,894	22,430	10,703	1,631	1,174	3,332	2,619	1,947	11,727
Year	294,132	152,095	24,603	15,331	44,507	38,589	29,063	142,037	34,185	107,852	294,132	152,095	24,603	15,331	44,507	38,589	29,063	142,037	34,185	107,852	294,132	152,095	24,603	15,331	44,507	38,589	29,063	142,037
1952: Jan.	23,155	11,445	1,950	1,358	3,151	2,585	2,401	11,710	2,747	8,963	23,073	11,409	1,875	1,161	3,100	2,872	2,401	11,664	2,775	8,889	23,073	11,409	1,875	1,161	3,100	2,872	2,401	11,664
Feb.	22,482	10,779	1,672	913	3,279	2,577	2,338	11,703	2,807	8,896	22,867	10,983	1,706	1,038	3,324	2,577	2,338	11,884	2,835	9,049	22,867	10,983	1,706	1,038	3,324	2,577	2,338	11,884
Mar.	24,805	13,099	1,839	1,048	4,194	3,804	2,214	11,706	2,674	9,032	23,451	12,029	1,642	1,017	3,783	3,458	2,129	11,422	2,499	8,923	23,451	12,029	1,642	1,017	3,783	3,458	2,129	11,422
Apr.	23,935	12,454	2,027	1,292	3,161	3,672	2,302	11,481	2,566	9,915	23,956	12,154	1,930	1,175	3,098	3,672	2,279	11,802	2,673	9,129	23,956	12,154	1,930	1,175	3,098	3,672	2,279	11,802
May	21,512	10,017	1,578	1,013	2,752	2,452	2,222	11,495	2,732	8,763	22,337	10,523	1,594	1,101	2,932	2,581	2,315	11,814	2,906	8,908	22,337	10,523	1,594	1,101	2,932	2,581	2,315	11,814
June	24,789	13,186	1,137	1,358	3,788	4,477	2,649	11,603	2,964	8,639	23,935	12,167	1,210	1,147	3,482	3,731	2,597	11,768	2,906	8,862	23,935	12,167	1,210	1,147	3,482	3,731	2,597	11,768
July	22,711	11,360	1,318	1,166	3,236	3,126	2,514	11,351	2,655	8,696	23,358	11,409	1,331	1,110	3,353	3,126	2,489	11,949	2,983	8,966	23,358	11,409	1,331	1,110	3,353	3,126	2,489	11,949
Aug.	22,654	10,899	1,758	1,210	3,087	2,242	2,602	11,755	2,681	9,074	22,916	11,321	1,794	1,198	3,189	2,638	2,502	11,595	2,835	9,049	22,916	11,321	1,794	1,198	3,189	2,638	2,502	11,595
Sept.	24,856	12,311	1,747	1,437	3,062	3,431	2,634	12,545	2,906	9,639	24,235	12,229	1,941	1,239	3,147	3,208	2,634	12,006	2,691	9,315	24,235	12,229	1,941	1,239	3,147	3,208	2,634	12,006
Oct.	25,370	11,759	2,029	1,228	3,288	2,596	2,618	13,611	3,267	10,344	24,320	11,715	1,989	1,204	3,296	2,733	2,493	12,605	2,997	9,608	24,320	11,715	1,989	1,204	3,296	2,733	2,493	12,605
Nov.	22,323	10,607	1,745	935	2,748	2,828	2,341	11,716	2,811	8,905	23,098	11,311	1,837	1,169	3,288	2,838	2,439	11,787	2,677	9,110	23,098	11,311	1,837	1,169	3,288	2,838	2,439	11,787
Dec.	24,395	12,334	1,868	985	3,516	3,837	2,128	12,061	2,896	9,165	24,874	12,453	1,796	1,330	3,350	3,837	3,837	12,421	3,114	9,307	24,874	12,453	1,796	1,330	3,350	3,837	3,837	12,421
Year	282,987	140,250	20,668	13,720	39,262	37,637	28,963	142,737	33,703	109,031	282,987	133,075	21,529	13,769	37,044	30,864	29,869	147,992	33,720	114,272	282,987	133,075	21,529	13,769	37,044	30,864	29,869	147,992
1953: Jan.	24,824	12,799	2,060	1,291	3,585	3,223	2,640	12,025	2,860	9,165	25,050	12,884	1,981	1,153	3,529	3,531	2,640	12,166	2,889	9,277	25,050	12,884	1,981	1,153	3,529	3,531	2,640	12,166
Feb.	23,610	11,865	1,859	1,081	3,241	3,333	2,351	11,745	2,773	8,972	24,188	12,069	1,897	1,201	3,287	3,333	2,351	12,119	2,801	9,318	24,188	12,069	1,897	1,201	3,287	3,333	2,351	12,119
Mar.	25,941	12,925	2,184	1,365	3,423	3,043	2,910	13,016	3,159	9,857	24,468	11,919	1,950	1,288	3,195	2,766	2,720	12,549	2,952	9,597	24,468	11,919	1,950	1,288	3,195	2,766	2,720	12,549
Apr.	24,987	12,522	1,994	1,335	3,797	2,809	2,587	12,465	2,959	9,506	24,943	12,232	1,899	1,271	3,613	2,809	2,640	12,711	3,082	9,629	24,943	12,232	1,899	1,271	3,613	2,809	2,640	12,711
May	24,184	11,885	2,052	1,062	3,323	2,931	2,																					

SURVEY OF CURRENT BUSINESS

June 1955

Table 2.—Manufacturers' Unfilled Orders, End of Period 1951-54
[Millions of dollars; not adjusted for seasonal variation]

	Total manu-facturing	Total	Durable-goods industries					Nondurable-goods industries ³⁴
			Primary metals	Fabricated metals	Machinery ¹	Transportation equipment	Other ²	
1951:	January	48,017	42,576	6,357	4,895	13,869	11,840	5,615
	February	52,160	46,197	6,662	5,338	15,152	12,996	6,049
	March	56,321	50,230	7,166	5,603	16,577	14,655	6,229
	April	58,709	52,930	7,484	5,736	17,514	15,860	6,336
	May	60,101	54,589	7,604	5,735	18,522	16,585	6,143
	June	62,385	57,348	7,519	5,839	19,425	18,221	6,344
	July	65,048	60,426	7,895	5,865	20,554	19,651	6,461
	August	65,360	61,354	8,015	5,762	21,313	19,893	6,371
	September	65,585	61,883	7,834	5,832	21,575	20,397	6,245
	October	66,278	62,908	8,143	5,805	21,837	21,063	6,060
	November	66,853	63,456	7,865	5,756	22,093	21,991	5,751
	December	67,553	64,141	7,620	5,776	22,487	22,596	5,662
1952:	January	68,753	65,450	7,706	6,040	22,708	23,070	5,926
	February	69,072	65,745	7,549	5,904	22,863	23,401	6,028
	March	70,959	67,813	7,446	5,841	23,774	24,798	5,954
	April	72,173	69,227	7,700	6,026	23,711	25,950	5,840
	May	71,440	68,354	7,530	5,945	23,313	25,880	5,686
	June	74,770	71,367	7,775	5,998	23,819	27,780	5,995
	July	77,593	74,028	8,280	6,127	24,260	29,084	6,277
	August	77,962	74,582	8,283	6,181	24,385	29,342	6,391
	September	78,361	75,113	8,097	6,368	24,159	30,122	6,367
	October	77,293	74,122	8,016	6,222	23,940	29,842	6,102
	November	76,256	73,135	7,828	6,062	23,459	29,794	5,992
	December	76,343	73,176	7,563	5,871	23,347	30,651	5,744
1953:	January	77,380	74,222	7,607	6,023	23,687	30,872	6,033
	February	77,048	73,940	7,504	5,929	23,449	31,065	5,993
	March	76,503	73,308	7,497	5,976	23,038	30,637	6,160
	April	75,566	72,403	7,334	6,002	23,095	29,900	6,072
	May	74,707	71,425	7,228	5,817	22,877	29,508	5,995
	June	74,503	71,053	7,214	5,548	22,469	29,882	5,940
	July	73,659	70,399	7,271	5,635	22,621	28,769	6,103
	August	70,656	67,845	7,157	5,351	22,009	27,202	6,126
	September	67,600	64,813	6,414	5,168	21,200	26,176	5,855
	October	63,998	61,429	5,708	4,766	20,345	25,214	5,396
	November	61,364	58,878	5,369	4,606	19,522	24,469	4,912
	December	58,987	56,673	5,049	4,636	18,811	23,557	4,620
1954:	January	57,516	55,120	4,609	4,356	18,359	23,206	4,590
	February	55,876	53,470	4,403	4,116	17,944	22,491	4,516
	March	54,099	51,706	4,196	4,044	16,805	22,209	4,452
	April	52,311	49,870	3,835	3,796	16,184	21,730	4,325
	June	50,705	48,043	3,573	3,555	15,476	21,134	4,305
	May	49,548	46,678	3,319	3,618	14,883	20,511	4,347
	July	48,696	45,894	3,199	3,399	14,679	20,169	4,448
	August	47,359	44,693	3,182	3,317	14,236	19,409	4,549
	September	47,504	44,828	3,173	3,146	14,096	19,876	4,537
	October	47,440	44,908	3,239	3,031	13,912	20,449	4,277
	November	46,384	43,739	3,402	3,068	13,621	19,545	4,103
	December	46,529	43,790	3,760	3,184	13,363	19,505	3,978

1. Include electrical machinery.

2. Include professional and scientific instruments, lumber, furniture, stone, clay and glass, and miscellaneous.

3. Consists of textile, leather, paper, and printing and publishing. Unfilled orders for other nondurable-goods industries are negligible.

4. New orders for this group which includes the food, beverage, apparel, tobacco, chemical, petroleum and rubber industries, are considered as equal to sales.

Source: U. S. Dept. of Commerce, Office of Business Economics.

Table 3.—Manufacturers' Inventories by Stage of Fabrication¹
[Billions of dollars; not adjusted for seasonal variation]

Year and month	All manufacturing				Durable-goods industries			Nondurable-goods industries				
	Total inventory	Purchased materials	Goods in process	Finished goods	Total inventory	Purchased materials	Goods in process	Finished goods	Total inventory	Purchased materials	Goods in process	Finished goods
1951:	35.6	15.2	8.9	11.5	17.4	6.2	6.4	4.8	18.2	9.0	2.5	6.7
	36.2	15.5	9.1	11.6	17.8	6.3	6.5	5.0	18.4	9.2	2.6	6.6
	37.0	15.8	9.4	11.8	18.2	6.3	6.8	5.1	18.8	9.5	2.6	6.7
	38.2	16.0	9.9	12.3	18.8	6.3	7.2	5.3	19.4	9.7	2.7	7.0
	39.1	16.1	10.0	13.0	19.6	6.6	7.3	5.7	19.5	9.5	2.7	7.3
	40.0	16.3	10.1	13.6	20.2	6.9	7.3	6.0	19.8	9.4	2.8	7.6
	40.8	16.5	10.1	14.2	20.7	7.1	7.4	6.2	20.1	9.4	2.7	8.0
	41.4	16.5	10.2	14.7	21.2	7.2	7.6	6.4	20.2	9.3	2.6	8.3
	41.6	16.4	10.4	14.8	21.6	7.3	7.8	6.5	20.0	9.1	2.6	8.3
	42.0	16.7	10.6	14.7	21.9	7.5	8.0	6.4	20.1	9.2	2.6	8.3
	42.3	16.7	10.9	14.7	22.2	7.5	8.3	6.4	20.1	9.2	2.6	8.3
	43.0	16.9	11.2	14.9	22.8	7.6	8.6	6.6	20.2	9.3	2.6	8.3
1952:	43.9	16.9	11.7	15.3	23.4	7.6	8.9	6.9	20.5	9.3	2.8	8.4
	44.0	16.7	12.0	15.3	23.7	7.5	9.2	7.0	20.3	9.2	2.8	8.3
	44.1	16.5	12.2	15.4	23.9	7.4	9.4	7.1	20.2	9.1	2.8	8.3
	44.0	16.2	12.3	15.5	24.1	7.3	9.6	7.2	19.9	8.9	2.7	8.3
	43.8	16.1	12.3	15.4	24.2	7.3	9.6	7.3	19.6	8.8	2.7	8.1
	43.3	15.8	12.1	15.4	23.8	7.2	9.5	7.1	19.5	8.6	2.6	8.3
	42.9	15.7	12.1	15.1	23.3	7.1	9.4	6.8	19.6	8.6	2.7	8.3
	42.9	15.5	12.3	15.1	23.4	7.1	9.6	6.7	19.5	8.4	2.7	8.4
	42.9	15.6	12.5	14.8	23.4	7.2	9.7	6.5	19.5	8.4	2.8	8.3
	43.0	15.7	12.6	14.7	23.6	7.3	9.8	6.5	19.4	8.4	2.8	8.2
	43.2	16.0	12.4	14.8	23.7	7.4	9.7	6.6	19.5	8.6	2.7	8.2
	44.0	16.3	12.7	15.0	24.4	7.5	10.1	6.8	19.6	8.8	2.6	8.2
1953:	44.3	16.0	13.0	15.3	24.7	7.3	10.3	7.1	19.6	8.7	2.7	8.2
	44.4	15.9	13.3	15.2	24.9	7.3	10.4	7.2	19.5	8.6	2.9	8.0
	44.6	15.8	13.5	15.3	25.3	7.2	10.7	7.4	19.3	8.6	2.8	7.9
	44.9	15.6	13.7	15.6	25.6	7.2	10.8	7.6	19.3	8.4	2.9	8.0
	45.4	15.7	13.7	16.0	26.1	7.5	10.8	7.8	19.3	8.2	2.9	8.2
	45.8	15.9	13.7	16.2	26.3	7.7	10.8	7.8	19.5	8.2	2.9	8.4
	45.8	16.0	13.6	16.2	26.3	7.9	10.7	7.7	19.5	8.1	2.9	8.5
	46.0	16.0	13.6	16.4	26.4	7.9	10.8	7.7	19.6	8.1	2.8	8.7
	46.0	16.1	13.5	16.4	26.3	7.9	10.7	7.7	19.7	8.2	2.8	8.7
	45.8	16.1	13.2	16.5	26.2	7.8	10.5	7.9	19.6	8.3	2.7	8.6
	45.9	16.1	13.1	16.7	26.2	7.7	10.5	8.0	19.7	8.4	2.6	8.7
	46.2	16.1	13.2	16.9	26.4	7.6	10.6	8.2	19.8	8.5	2.6	8.7
1954:	45.9	15.8	13.2	16.9	26.2	7.4	10.5	8.3	19.7	8.4	2.7	8.6
	45.5	15.4	13.2	16.9	25.9	7.2	10.4	8.3	19.6	8.2	2.8	8.6
	45.2	15.1	13.1	17.0	25.8	7.1	10.3	8.4	19.4	8.0	2.8	8.6
	44.5	14.8	12.9	16.8	25.3	6.9	10.1	8.3	19.2	7.9	2.8	8.5
	44.3	14.6	12.7	17.0	25.1	6.9	9.9	8.3	19.2	7.7	2.8	8.7
	44.2	14.8	12.3	17.1	24.8	7.0	9.6	8.2	19.4	7.8	2.7	8.9
	43.5	14.7	12.1	16.7	24.1	6.9	9.4	7.8	19.			

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Table 4.—Manufacturers' Inventories by Stage of Fabrication

[Billions of dollars; adjusted for seasonal variation]

Year and month	All manufacturing				Durable-goods industries				Nondurable-goods industries			
	Total inventory	Purchased materials	Goods in process	Finished goods	Total inventory	Purchased materials	Goods in process	Finished goods	Total inventory	Purchased materials	Goods in process	Finished goods
1939: January.....	10.8	3.7	2.1	5.0	5.0	1.6	1.3	2.1	5.8	2.1	0.8	2.9
	February.....	3.7	2.1	5.0	5.0	1.6	1.3	2.1	5.8	2.1	.8	2.9
	March.....	3.7	2.1	5.0	5.0	1.6	1.3	2.1	5.8	2.1	.8	2.9
	April.....	3.6	2.1	5.0	4.9	1.5	1.3	2.1	5.8	2.1	.8	2.9
	May.....	3.6	2.0	5.0	4.8	1.5	1.2	2.1	5.8	2.1	.8	2.9
	June.....	3.6	2.0	5.0	4.8	1.4	1.3	2.1	5.8	2.2	.7	2.9
	July.....	3.6	2.0	5.0	4.8	1.4	1.3	2.1	5.8	2.2	.7	2.9
	August.....	3.6	2.0	5.0	4.8	1.4	1.3	2.1	5.8	2.2	.7	2.9
	September.....	3.8	2.1	4.9	4.9	1.5	1.3	2.1	5.9	2.3	.8	2.8
	October.....	3.9	2.2	4.8	5.0	1.6	1.4	2.0	5.9	2.3	.8	2.8
	November.....	4.1	2.2	4.9	5.2	1.7	1.4	2.1	6.0	2.4	.8	2.8
	December.....	4.2	2.3	5.0	5.4	1.8	1.5	2.1	6.1	2.4	.8	2.9
1940: January.....	11.7	4.3	2.4	5.0	5.5	1.8	1.6	2.1	6.2	2.5	.8	2.9
	February.....	11.8	4.3	2.3	5.2	5.5	1.8	1.5	6.3	2.5	.8	3.0
	March.....	11.8	4.3	2.3	5.2	5.5	1.8	1.5	6.3	2.5	.8	3.0
	April.....	11.8	4.2	2.3	5.3	5.5	1.7	1.6	6.3	2.5	.7	3.1
	May.....	11.9	4.2	2.4	5.3	5.5	1.7	1.6	6.4	2.5	.8	3.1
	June.....	11.9	4.2	2.3	5.4	1.8	1.5	2.2	6.4	2.4	.8	3.2
	July.....	12.0	4.3	2.4	5.3	5.6	1.8	1.6	6.4	2.5	.8	3.1
	August.....	12.2	4.4	2.5	5.3	5.7	1.8	1.7	6.5	2.6	.8	3.1
	September.....	12.4	4.5	2.6	5.3	5.9	1.9	1.8	6.5	2.6	.8	3.1
	October.....	12.4	4.5	2.7	5.2	6.0	1.9	1.9	6.4	2.6	.8	3.0
	November.....	12.6	4.7	2.7	5.2	6.1	2.0	1.9	6.5	2.7	.8	3.0
	December.....	12.8	4.7	2.9	5.2	6.3	2.1	2.0	6.5	2.6	.9	3.0
1941: January.....	13.0	4.8	3.0	5.2	6.4	2.1	2.1	2.2	6.6	2.7	.9	3.0
	February.....	13.2	4.9	3.1	5.2	6.6	2.2	2.2	6.6	2.7	.9	3.0
	March.....	13.4	5.0	3.2	5.2	6.7	2.2	2.3	6.7	2.8	.9	3.0
	April.....	13.7	5.2	3.3	5.2	6.9	2.3	2.4	6.8	3.0	.9	3.0
	May.....	14.0	5.4	3.5	5.1	7.1	2.4	2.5	6.9	3.0	1.0	2.9
	June.....	14.4	5.7	3.5	5.2	7.2	2.5	2.5	7.2	3.2	1.0	3.0
	July.....	14.9	5.9	3.7	5.3	7.4	2.6	2.6	7.5	3.3	1.1	3.1
	August.....	15.3	6.1	4.0	5.2	7.7	2.7	2.8	7.6	3.4	1.2	3.0
	September.....	15.7	6.5	4.1	5.1	7.9	2.9	2.9	7.8	3.6	1.2	3.0
	October.....	16.0	6.6	4.2	5.2	8.1	2.9	3.0	7.9	3.7	1.2	3.0
	November.....	16.3	6.8	4.2	5.3	8.2	3.0	3.0	8.1	3.8	1.2	3.1
	December.....	17.0	7.1	4.4	5.5	8.6	3.1	3.2	8.4	4.0	1.2	3.2
1942: January.....	17.3	7.2	4.4	5.7	8.7	3.1	3.2	2.4	8.6	4.1	1.2	3.3
	February.....	17.6	7.4	4.6	5.6	8.9	3.2	3.3	8.7	4.2	1.3	3.2
	March.....	17.9	7.5	4.8	5.6	9.1	3.2	3.5	8.8	4.3	1.3	3.2
	April.....	18.2	7.7	4.8	5.7	9.3	3.4	3.5	8.9	4.3	1.3	3.3
	May.....	18.6	7.9	4.9	5.8	9.5	3.5	3.6	9.1	4.4	1.3	3.4
	June.....	18.8	8.0	4.9	5.9	9.6	3.6	3.6	9.2	4.4	1.3	3.5
	July.....	18.9	8.0	5.1	5.8	9.8	3.6	3.8	9.1	4.4	1.3	3.4
	August.....	19.0	8.0	5.2	5.8	9.8	3.5	3.9	9.2	4.5	1.3	3.4
	September.....	19.0	8.0	5.3	5.7	9.9	3.6	4.0	9.1	4.4	1.3	3.4
	October.....	18.9	7.9	5.4	5.6	10.0	3.6	4.1	8.9	4.3	1.3	3.3
	November.....	19.1	8.0	5.6	5.5	10.2	3.7	4.3	8.9	4.3	1.3	3.3
	December.....	19.3	8.0	5.8	5.5	10.5	3.7	4.6	8.8	4.3	1.2	3.3
1943: January.....	19.1	8.0	5.7	5.4	10.3	3.7	4.5	2.1	8.8	4.3	1.2	3.3
	February.....	19.0	8.0	5.8	5.2	10.4	3.8	4.5	8.6	4.2	1.3	3.1
	March.....	19.1	8.0	5.9	5.2	10.5	3.7	4.7	8.6	4.3	1.2	3.1
	April.....	19.2	8.0	6.1	5.1	10.6	3.7	4.8	8.6	4.3	1.3	3.0
	May.....	19.3	8.2	6.1	5.0	10.6	3.8	4.8	8.7	4.4	1.3	3.0
	June.....	19.4	8.1	6.2	5.1	10.8	3.7	5.0	8.6	4.4	1.2	3.0
	July.....	19.4	8.2	6.1	5.1	10.8	3.8	4.9	8.6	4.4	1.2	3.0
	August.....	19.4	8.2	6.1	5.1	10.7	3.8	4.8	8.7	4.4	1.3	3.0
	September.....	19.6	8.2	6.2	5.2	10.9	3.8	4.9	8.7	4.4	1.3	3.0
	October.....	19.6	8.3	6.2	5.1	10.9	3.8	5.0	8.7	4.5	1.2	3.0
	November.....	19.8	8.4	6.2	5.2	10.9	3.8	5.0	8.9	4.6	1.2	3.1
	December.....	20.1	8.4	6.6	5.1	11.2	3.9	5.2	8.9	4.5	1.4	3.0
1944: January.....	20.1	8.5	6.4	5.2	11.1	3.9	5.1	2.1	9.0	4.6	1.3	3.1
	February.....	20.2	8.5	6.4	5.3	11.1	3.9	5.1	9.1	4.6	1.3	3.2
	March.....	20.1	8.5	6.3	5.3	10.9	3.8	5.0	9.2	4.7	1.3	3.2
	April.....	20.2	8.5	6.3	5.4	11.0	3.9	5.0	9.2	4.6	1.3	3.3
	May.....	20.1	8.4	6.4	5.3	10.9	3.8	5.1	9.2	4.6	1.3	3.3
	June.....	20.1	8.4	6.4	5.3	10.9	3.7	5.1	9.2	4.7	1.3	3.2
	July.....	20.0	8.5	6.3	5.2	10.8	3.7	5.0	9.2	4.8	1.3	3.1
	August.....	20.0	8.3	6.4	5.3	10.8	3.6	5.1	9.2	4.7	1.3	3.2
	September.....	19.9	8.2	6.3	5.4	10.7	3.5	5.0	9.2	4.7	1.3	3.2
	October.....	19.9	8.1	6.4	5.4	10.8	3.5	5.1	9.1	4.6	1.3	3.2
	November.....	19.6	8.0	6.3	5.3	10.5	3.4	4.9	9.1	4.6	1.4	3.1
	December.....	19.5	8.0	6.4	5.1	10.4	3.3	5.0	9.1	4.7	1.4	3.0
1945: January.....	19.4	7.9	6.4	5.1	10.3	3.3	4.9	2.1	9.1	4.6	1.5	3.0
	February.....	19.3	8.0	6.3	5.0	10.3	3.3	4.9	9.0	4.7	1.4	2.9
	March.....	19.3	8.0	6.4	4.9	10.3	3.2	5.0	9.0	4.8	1.4	2.8
	April.....	19.4	8.1	6.4	4.9	10.3	3.3	4.9	9.1	4.8	1.5	2.8
	May.....	19.3	8.1	6.3	4.9	10.3	3.3	4.9	9.0	4.8	1.4	2.8
	June.....	19.1	8.0	6.2	4.9	10.1	3.3	4.7	9.0	4.7	1.5	2.8
	July.....	19.2	8.1	6.2	4.9	10.1	3.3	4.7	9.1	4.8	1.5	2.8
	August.....	18.8	8.1	5.7	5.0	9.6	3.3	4.2	9.2	4.8	1.5	2.9
	September.....	18.8	8.2	5.5	5.1	9.4	3.3	4.0	9.4	4.9	1.5	3.0
	October.....	18.7	8.0	5.6	5.1	9.3	3.2	4.0	9.4	4.8	1.6	3.0
	November.....	18.7	8.1	5.3	5.3	9.1	3.2	3.8	9.6	4.9	1.5	3.2
	December.....	18.4	8.1	5.0	5.3	8.8	3.2	3.5	9.1	4.9	1.5	3.2
1946: January.....	18.2	7.9	5.0	5.3	8.6	3.1	3.4	2.1	9.6	4.8	1.6	3.2
	February.....	18.9	8.1	5.2	5.6	9.0	3.3	3.6	9.9	4.8	1.6	3.5
	March.....	19.3	8.5	5.2	5.6	9.2	3.4	3.6	10.1	5.1	1.6	3.4
	April.....	19.6	8.9	5.3	5.4	9.5	3.7	3.6	10.1	5.2	1.7	3.2
	May.....	20.0	8.9	5.7	5.4	9.7	3.6	3.9	10.3	5.3	1.8	3.2
	June.....	20.4	9.1	5.9	5.4	10.1	3.7	4.1	10.3	5.4	1.8	3.1
	July.....	21.4	9.6	6.0	5.8	10.4	3.8	4.2	11.0	5.8	1.8	3.4
	August.....	22.1	9.9	6.0	6.2	10.8	4.0	4.3	11.3	5.9	1.7	3.7
	September.....	22.7	9.9	6.2	6.6	11.2	4.1	4.4	11.5	5.8	1.8	3.9
	October.....	23.7	10.3	6.3	7.1	11.5	4.2	4.5	12.2			

Table 4.—Manufacturers' Inventories by Stage of Fabrication—Continued

[Billions of dollars; adjusted for seasonal variation]

Year and month	All manufacturing				Durable-goods industries				Nondurable-goods industries			
	Total inventory	Purchased materials	Goods in process	Finished goods	Total inventory	Purchased materials	Goods in process	Finished goods	Total inventory	Purchased materials	Goods in process	Finished goods
1947: January	25.3	11.2	6.6	7.5	12.5	4.6	4.8	3.1	12.8	6.6	1.8	4.4
	25.8	11.4	6.7	7.7	12.8	4.8	4.9	3.1	13.0	6.6	1.8	4.6
	26.3	11.6	6.8	7.9	13.0	4.9	4.9	3.2	13.3	6.7	1.9	4.7
	26.9	11.9	7.0	8.0	13.3	5.0	5.0	3.3	13.6	6.9	2.0	4.7
	27.4	12.1	7.1	8.2	13.6	5.1	5.1	3.4	13.8	7.0	2.0	4.8
	27.6	12.2	7.1	8.3	13.8	5.2	5.1	3.5	13.8	7.0	2.0	4.8
	27.8	12.0	7.1	8.7	14.0	5.2	5.1	3.7	13.8	6.8	2.0	5.0
	28.2	12.0	7.3	8.9	14.2	5.3	5.2	3.7	14.0	6.7	2.1	5.2
	28.2	11.9	7.3	9.0	14.2	5.1	5.2	3.9	14.0	6.8	2.1	5.1
	28.4	11.8	7.3	9.3	14.3	5.1	5.2	4.0	14.1	6.7	2.1	5.3
	28.7	12.0	7.5	9.2	14.3	5.0	5.3	4.0	14.4	7.0	2.2	5.2
	28.9	12.3	7.4	9.2	14.3	5.1	5.2	4.0	14.6	7.2	2.2	5.2
1948: January	29.0	12.3	7.3	9.4	14.3	5.2	5.1	4.0	14.7	7.1	2.2	5.4
	29.2	12.3	7.3	9.6	14.3	5.2	5.0	4.1	14.9	7.1	2.3	5.5
	29.5	12.5	7.3	9.7	14.4	5.2	5.0	4.2	15.1	7.3	2.3	5.5
	29.6	12.6	7.2	9.8	14.5	5.3	5.0	4.2	15.1	7.3	2.2	5.6
	30.0	12.7	7.4	9.9	14.5	5.2	5.1	4.2	15.5	7.5	2.3	5.7
	30.3	12.9	7.3	10.1	14.7	5.4	5.1	4.2	15.6	7.5	2.2	5.9
	30.7	13.0	7.4	10.3	14.9	5.5	5.2	4.2	15.8	7.5	2.2	6.1
	31.0	13.0	7.6	10.4	15.2	5.6	5.3	4.3	15.8	7.4	2.3	6.1
	31.3	12.9	7.6	10.8	15.4	5.6	5.3	4.5	15.9	7.3	2.3	6.3
	31.5	12.9	7.7	10.9	15.5	5.6	5.4	4.5	16.0	7.3	2.3	6.4
	31.7	12.9	7.9	10.9	15.7	5.6	5.5	4.6	16.0	7.3	2.4	6.3
	31.7	12.9	7.6	11.2	15.7	5.6	5.4	4.7	16.0	7.3	2.2	6.5
1949: January	32.0	13.1	7.5	11.4	16.1	5.9	5.3	4.9	15.9	7.2	2.2	6.5
	32.1	12.9	7.6	11.6	16.2	5.9	5.4	4.9	15.9	7.0	2.2	6.7
	31.8	12.5	7.5	11.8	16.1	5.7	5.3	5.1	15.7	6.8	2.2	6.7
	31.5	12.3	7.4	11.8	16.0	5.6	5.3	5.1	15.5	6.7	2.1	6.7
	31.2	12.1	7.5	11.6	15.7	5.4	5.3	5.0	15.5	6.7	2.2	6.6
	30.6	11.8	7.2	11.6	15.3	5.2	5.1	5.0	15.3	6.6	2.1	6.6
	30.2	11.4	7.3	11.5	15.1	5.0	5.1	5.0	15.1	6.4	2.2	6.5
	29.8	11.4	7.1	11.3	14.8	5.0	4.9	4.9	15.0	6.4	2.2	6.4
	29.3	11.2	7.0	11.1	14.5	4.9	4.8	4.8	14.8	6.3	2.2	6.3
	29.0	11.1	6.8	11.1	14.1	4.7	4.7	4.7	14.9	6.4	2.1	6.4
	28.7	11.0	6.8	10.9	13.9	4.5	4.7	4.7	14.8	6.5	2.1	6.2
	28.9	11.1	6.8	11.0	14.0	4.6	4.7	4.7	14.9	6.5	2.1	6.3
1950: January	29.0	11.1	6.9	11.0	14.0	4.6	4.7	4.7	15.0	6.5	2.2	6.3
	29.0	11.1	6.9	11.0	14.0	4.7	4.7	4.6	15.0	6.4	2.2	6.4
	29.2	11.1	7.0	11.1	14.1	4.6	4.8	4.7	15.1	6.5	2.2	6.4
	29.3	11.1	7.1	11.1	14.2	4.7	4.9	4.6	15.1	6.4	2.2	6.5
	29.5	11.2	7.2	11.1	14.3	4.7	5.0	4.6	15.2	6.5	2.2	6.5
	29.7	11.3	7.3	11.1	14.5	4.9	5.0	4.6	15.2	6.4	2.3	6.5
	29.8	11.6	7.5	10.7	14.6	5.0	5.1	4.5	15.2	6.6	2.4	6.2
	30.1	12.0	7.6	10.5	14.8	5.2	5.2	4.4	15.3	6.8	2.4	6.1
	31.0	12.6	7.8	10.6	15.1	5.4	5.4	4.3	15.9	7.2	2.4	6.3
	31.9	13.1	8.0	10.8	15.5	5.5	5.5	4.5	16.4	7.6	2.5	6.3
	33.4	13.8	8.4	11.2	16.3	5.8	5.8	4.7	17.1	8.0	2.6	6.5
	34.3	14.5	8.5	11.3	16.8	6.1	6.0	4.7	17.5	8.4	2.5	6.6
1951: January	35.3	15.1	8.8	11.4	17.3	6.2	6.3	4.8	18.0	8.9	2.5	6.6
	35.9	15.3	9.0	11.6	17.7	6.3	6.5	4.9	18.2	9.0	2.5	6.7
	36.9	15.8	9.3	11.8	18.1	6.4	6.7	5.0	18.8	9.4	2.6	6.8
	38.2	16.3	9.7	12.2	18.7	6.6	7.0	5.1	19.5	9.7	2.7	7.1
	39.1	16.4	10.0	12.7	19.4	6.7	7.3	5.4	19.7	9.7	2.7	7.3
	39.9	16.5	10.1	13.3	20.1	7.0	7.4	5.7	19.8	9.5	2.7	7.6
	40.8	16.6	10.1	14.1	20.7	7.1	7.5	6.1	20.1	9.5	2.6	8.0
	41.6	16.7	10.2	14.7	21.4	7.2	7.7	6.5	20.2	9.5	2.5	8.2
	41.9	16.4	10.5	15.0	21.8	7.2	7.9	6.7	20.1	9.2	2.6	8.3
	42.3	16.6	10.7	15.0	22.2	7.4	8.1	6.7	20.1	9.2	2.6	8.3
	42.6	16.6	11.1	14.9	22.5	7.4	8.4	6.7	20.1	9.2	2.7	8.2
	42.8	16.5	11.3	15.0	22.8	7.4	8.6	6.8	20.0	9.1	2.7	8.2
1952: January	43.5	16.7	11.6	15.2	23.3	7.6	8.8	6.9	20.2	9.1	2.8	8.3
	43.8	16.6	11.9	15.3	23.6	7.6	9.1	6.9	20.2	9.0	2.8	8.4
	43.9	16.5	12.0	15.4	23.7	7.5	9.3	6.9	20.2	9.0	2.7	8.5
	43.9	16.4	12.1	15.4	23.9	7.5	9.4	7.0	20.0	8.9	2.7	8.4
	43.7	16.4	12.2	15.1	24.0	7.5	9.6	6.9	19.7	8.9	2.6	8.2
	43.3	16.1	12.1	15.1	23.7	7.3	9.5	6.9	19.6	8.8	2.6	8.2
	42.9	15.8	12.1	15.0	23.3	7.1	9.5	6.7	19.6	8.7	2.6	8.3
	43.1	15.7	12.3	15.1	23.5	7.1	9.6	6.8	19.6	8.6	2.7	8.3
	43.2	15.6	12.5	15.1	23.7	7.1	9.8	6.8	19.5	8.5	2.7	8.3
	43.3	15.6	12.6	15.1	23.9	7.2	9.8	6.9	19.4	8.4	2.8	8.2
	43.5	15.8	12.6	15.1	24.0	7.3	9.8	6.9	19.5	8.5	2.8	8.2
	43.8	15.9	12.9	15.0	24.4	7.3	10.2	6.9	19.4	8.6	2.7	8.1
1953: January	44.0	15.8	13.0	15.2	24.6	7.3	10.2	7.1	19.4	8.5	2.8	8.1
	44.2	15.7	13.2	15.3	24.8	7.3	10.4	7.1	19.4	8.4	2.8	8.2
	44.4	15.8	13.3	15.3	25.1	7.3	10.6	7.2	19.3	8.5	2.7	8.1
	44.8	15.9	13.5	15.4	25.4	7.5	10.6	7.3	19.4	8.4	2.9	8.1
	45.3	16.1	13.6	15.6	25.8	7.7	10.7	7.4	19.5	8.4	2.9	8.2
	45.7	16.1	13.8	15.8	26.1	7.8	10.8	7.5	19.6	8.3	3.0	8.3
	45.8	16.1	13.7	16.0	26.2	7.8	10.8	7.6	19.6	8.3	2.9	8.4
	46.2	16.1	13.7	16.4	26.6	7.9	10.8	7.9	19.6	8.2	2.9	8.5
	46.3	16.1	13.5	16.7	26.6	7.8	10.7	8.1	19.7	8.3	2.8	8.6
	46.1	15.9	13.2	17.0	26.5	7.7	10.5	8.3	19.6	8.2	2.7	8.7
	46.1	15.8	13.4	16.9	26.5	7.5	10.7	8.3	19.6	8.3	2.7	8.6
	45.9	15.6	13.4	16.9	26.3	7.4	10.6	8.3	19.6	8.2	2.8	8.6
1954: January	45.6	15.5	13.2	16.9	26.1	7.3	10.5	8.3	19.5	8.2	2.7	8.6
	45.3	15.3	13.0	17.0	25.8	7.2	10.3	8.3	19.5	8.1	2.7	8.7
	45.0	15.1	12.8	17.1	25.6	7.2	10.1	8.3	19.4	7.9	2.7	8.8
	44.5	15.0	12.7	16.8	25.1	7.1	9.9	8.1	19.4	7.9	2.8	8.7
	44.3	15.0	12.6	16.7	24.9	7.1	9.8	8.0	19.4	7.9	2.8	8.7
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Monthly BUSINESS STATISTICS



THE STATISTICS here are a continuation of the data published in BUSINESS STATISTICS, the 1953 Statistical Supplement to the SURVEY OF CURRENT BUSINESS. That volume (price \$1.50) contains monthly data for the years 1949 to 1952, and monthly averages for earlier years back to 1935 insofar as available; it also provides a description of each series and references to sources of monthly figures prior to 1949. Series added or revised since publication of the 1953 Supplement are indicated by an asterisk (*) and a dagger (†), respectively, the accompanying footnote indicating where historical data and a descriptive note may be found. The terms "unadjusted" and "adjusted" used to designate index numbers and dollar values refer to adjustment of monthly figures for seasonal variation.

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	April	May	June	July	August	Septem- ber	October	Novem- ber	Decem- ber	Janu- ary	Febru- ary	March	April	May	

GENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORS

NATIONAL INCOME AND PRODUCT														
Seasonally adjusted quarterly totals at annual rates: [†]														
National income, total.....	bil. of dol.		299.6			298.8			302.6					
Compensation of employees, total.....	do.		206.6			207.2			208.9			212.7		
Wages and salaries, total.....	do.		194.9			195.6			197.2			200.2		
Private.....	do.		161.5			161.6			163.0			166.0		
Military.....	do.		9.5			9.6			9.5			9.3		
Government civilian.....	do.		23.8			24.4			24.7			24.9		
Supplements to wages and salaries.....	do.		11.7			11.6			11.7			12.5		
Proprietors' and rental income, total [‡]	do.		49.0			48.5			48.1			49.7		
Business and professional [§]	do.		25.9			25.9			26.3			26.4		
Farm.....	do.		12.2			11.6			11.0			12.2		
Rental income of persons.....	do.		10.9			10.9			10.9			11.0		
Corporate profits and inventory valuation adjustment, total.....	bil. of dol.		34.9			33.9			36.4					
Corporate profits before tax, total.....	do.		34.5			34.2			36.8					
Corporate profits tax liability.....	do.		17.0			16.8			18.1					
Corporate profits after tax.....	do.		17.5			17.4			18.7					
Inventory valuation adjustment.....	do.		.4			-.3			-.4			-1.3		
Net interest.....	do.		9.1			9.2			9.2			9.4		
Gross national product, total.....	do.		356.0			355.5			362.0			370.0		
Personal consumption expenditures, total [¶]	do.		233.1			234.8			237.7			242.0		
Durable goods.....	do.		28.8			28.9			29.9			33.4		
Nondurable goods.....	do.		120.0			121.1			122.1			122.1		
Services.....	do.		84.3			84.8			85.7			86.5		
Gross private domestic investment, total.....	do.		45.6			45.3			49.5			53.3		
New construction.....	do.		27.0			28.3			29.1			30.8		
Producers' durable equipment.....	do.		22.4			21.8			21.7			21.1		
Change in business inventories.....	do.		-3.8			-4.8			-1.3			1.3		
Net foreign investment.....	do.		-1.0			-.2			.8			.0		
Government purchases of goods and services, total [¶]	bil. of dol.		78.3			75.6			74.1			74.7		
Federal (less Government sales).....	do.		51.3			47.9			45.9			45.9		
National security [¶]	do.		44.7			42.1			40.5			40.7		
State and local.....	do.		27.0			27.7			28.2			28.8		
Personal income, total.....	do.		285.7			286.2			289.0			292.7		
Less: Personal tax and nontax payments.....	do.		32.9			32.9			33.1			32.1		
Equals: Disposable personal income.....	do.		252.9			253.2			256.9			260.6		
Personal saving [§]	do.		19.7			18.4			18.2			18.7		
PERSONAL INCOME, BY SOURCE														
Seasonally adjusted, at annual rates: [†]														
Total personal income.....	bil. of dol.	284.4	286.2	286.5	285.7	285.4	286.6	286.3	289.3	291.4	291.4	292.4	294.6	295.6
Wage and salary disbursements, total.....	do.	194.3	195.0	195.5	195.7	195.5	195.4	196.1	198.1	197.8	199.3	199.8	201.7	202.2
Commodity-producing industries.....	do.	83.7	84.2	84.0	83.4	82.7	82.4	82.9	84.6	84.4	85.2	85.9	87.4	88.2
Distributive industries.....	do.	52.0	52.3	52.5	53.1	52.8	52.9	52.9	53.0	53.1	53.5	53.4	53.7	53.5
Service industries.....	do.	25.2	25.2	25.5	25.4	25.8	25.9	26.1	26.2	26.1	26.4	26.3	26.5	26.4
Government.....	do.	33.4	33.3	33.5	33.8	34.2	34.2	34.2	34.3	34.2	34.2	34.2	34.1	34.1
Other labor income.....	do.	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.6
Proprietors' and rental income.....	do.	48.2	49.4	49.2	47.9	48.2	48.8	47.2	48.3	48.8	49.5	49.8	50.0	
Personal interest income and dividends.....	do.	24.0	24.0	24.1	24.2	24.3	24.4	24.5	24.6	24.6	24.7	24.8	24.8	25.0
Transfer payments.....	do.	15.9	15.8	15.8	15.8	15.5	16.0	16.5	16.4	16.7	16.5	16.5	16.9	16.9
Less personal contributions for social insurance	bil. of dol.	4.6	4.6	4.7	4.5	4.7	4.6	4.6	4.7	4.7	5.2	5.1	5.2	5.1
Total nonagricultural income.....	do.	269.1	269.7	270.3	270.6	270.2	271.1	272.3	274.6	276.5	275.5	276.2	278.9	279.9

* Revised.

[†] Revised series. Quarterly estimates of national income and product have been revised back to 1939 (annual data, to 1929); quarterly and monthly estimates of personal income, back to 1929 (monthly revisions prior to May 1953 appear in the 1954 issue of the National Income Supplement). For quarterly data prior to 2d quarter 1953, see pp. 8 and 9 of the July 1954 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.

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GENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORS—Continued														
NEW PLANT AND EQUIPMENT EXPENDITURES														
Unadjusted quarterly totals: [‡]														
All industries.....	mil. of dol.													
Manufacturing.....	do													
Durable-goods industries.....	do													
Nondurable-goods industries.....	do													
Mining.....	do													
Railroads.....	do													
Transportation, other than rail.....	do													
Public utilities.....	do													
Commercial and other.....	do													
Seasonally adjusted quarterly totals at annual rates:														
All industries.....	bil. of dol.													
Manufacturing.....	do													
Mining.....	do													
Railroads.....	do													
Transportation, other than rail.....	do													
Public utilities.....	do													
Commercial and other.....	do													
FARM INCOME AND MARKETINGS[†]														
Cash receipts from farming, including Government payments, total.....	mil. of dol.													
Farm marketings and CCC loans, total.....	do													
Crops.....	do													
Livestock and products, total.....	do													
Dairy products.....	do													
Meat animals.....	do													
Poultry and eggs.....	do													
Indexes of cash receipts from marketings and CCC loans, unadjusted:														
All commodities.....	1935-39=100	287	300	312	330	372	479	528	479	410	382	289	286	p 299
Crops.....	do	179	189	254	328	393	629	718	585	521	440	261	204	p 228
Livestock and products.....	do	367	382	356	331	357	368	386	399	344	340	310	348	p 352
Indexes of volume of farm marketings, unadjusted:														
All commodities.....	1935-39=100	121	130	142	148	163	201	222	196	176	165	129	129	p 130
Crops.....	do	66	69	104	132	155	233	263	199	183	167	106	79	p 80
Livestock and products.....	do	162	175	171	160	168	177	191	193	171	163	146	166	p 169
INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION														
<i>Federal Reserve Index of Physical Volume[†]</i>														
Unadjusted, combined index ^t	1947-49=100	124	124	124	116	123	126	130	130	128	131	135	137	p 137
Manufactures.....	do	125	125	125	116	125	127	132	132	129	133	136	140	p 139
Durable manufactures.....	do	137	136	135	125	132	135	140	143	143	147	151	154	p 156
Primary metals.....	do	107	108	109	94	100	103	112	118	117	129	136	142	p 145
Steel.....	do	105	108	109	96	97	102	112	122	121	130	138	146	
Primary nonferrous metals.....	do	147	147	149	142	139	137	142	158	160	159	167	169	
Metal fabricating (incl. ordnance).....	do	150	148	147	138	144	145	150	154	156	159	162	165	p 166
Fabricated metal products.....	do	120	121	122	116	124	124	126	125	124	124	126	130	p 132
Machinery.....	do	141	138	137	128	138	145	150	150	146	148	152	154	p 152
Nonelectrical machinery.....	do	128	126	125	119	118	122	121	123	126	129	132	133	
Electrical machinery.....	do	166	162	162	145	176	189	207	206	191	191	196	196	p 189
Transportation equipment.....	do	181	179	175	165	165	155	159	179	191	200	205	210	p 215
Autos.....	do	151	146	143	125	123	81	70	144	174	195	210	215	
Trucks.....	do	101	101	96	78	79	74	78	93	94	98	87	104	
Aircraft and parts.....	do	475	472	472	469	465	470	464	471	478	479	477	477	
Instruments and related products.....	do	140	138	136	132	132	137	138	140	142	142	145	146	
Furniture and fixtures.....	do	101	98	100	99	107	111	113	112	112	109	113	114	p 111
Lumber and products.....	do	119	122	115	91	102	123	134	123	116	118	125	127	
Stone, clay, and glass products.....	do	128	130	131	128	134	136	139	137	134	132	134	138	p 143
Miscellaneous manufactures.....	do	125	124	127	121	130	136	140	139	134	129	134	137	p 134
Nondurable manufactures.....	do	114	114	115	107	117	119	123	120	115	119	122	125	p 122
Food and beverage manufactures.....	do	98	103	109	109	115	120	117	110	101	98	97	99	
Food manufactures.....	do	97	100	106	107	117	124	118	113	104	102	99	100	
Meat products.....	do	106	105	108	102	108	120	127	135	136	138	124	128	
Bakery products.....	do	96	96	98	99	98	99	99	98	98	94	95	94	
Beverages.....	do	102	113	124	118	108	107	110	97	88	84	89		
Alcoholic beverages.....	do	100	108	114	103	96	98	107	99	84	80	86		
Tobacco manufactures.....	do	99	108	114	92	111	109	111	103	83	105	104		
Textile-mill products.....	do	94	94	93	82	97	97	103	102	98	104	108	109	
Cotton and synthetic fabrics.....	do	99	99	96	85	101	100	109	110	104	114	116	118	
Wool textiles.....	do	63	68	70	68	74	67	69	70	70	72	74		
Apparel and allied products.....	do	108	103	99	91	110	101	106	107	99	113	116	123	
Leather and products.....	do	94	89	94	87	101	94	98	94	94	105	112	113	
Paper and allied products.....	do	136	134	136	120	137	137	146	140	129	140	148		
Pulp and paper.....	do	131	132	136	116	134	133	140	139	127	140	147		
Printing and publishing.....	do	122	121	119	113	116	122	125	125	123	118	121	126	p 126
Chemicals and allied products.....	do	147	145	144	137	144	149	155	156	156	157	161	165	
Industrial chemicals.....	do	150	150	152	145	150	153	160	165	166	169	176	182	
Petroleum and coal products.....	do	120	123	124	122	124	127	126	129	129	132	134	132	p 128
Petroleum refining.....	do	128	130	131	130	131	133	132	136	140	142	144	139	
Rubber products.....	do	116	118	121	85	94	118	132	124	128	145	144	146	
Minerals.....	do	109	112	115	110	111	111	112	114	114	117	120	119	p 121
Coal.....	do	58	62	63	57	68	70	77	75	75	77	79	71	p 72
Crude oil and natural gas.....	do	137	134	136	133	130	129	130	136	138	142	145	146	p 145
Metal mining.....	do	79	108	120	108	100	98	92	79	76	79	85	86	
Stone and earth minerals.....	do	119	125	127	130	130	129	129	126 ^t	122 ^t	115	113 ^t	123	

[†] Revised. ^P Preliminary. ¹ Estimates for the 2d and 3d quarters of 1955, based on anticipated capital expenditures of business, appear on p. 4 of this issue of the SURVEY.

^t Revisions for 1952 for new plant and equipment appear on p. 10 of the March 1954 SURVEY; those for 1953 appear on p. 8 of the March 1955 SURVEY. Revisions for 1952 and 1953 for farm income and marketings are on p. 24 of the January 1955 SURVEY; for 1951, on p. 24 of the April 1954 SURVEY.

^f Revised series. For a detailed description of the revision and monthly and annual data beginning 1947, see the December 1953 issue of the FEDERAL RESERVE BULLETIN.

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GENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORS—Continued

INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION—Continued														
<i>Federal Reserve Index of Physical Volume ♀—Con.</i>														
Adjusted, combined index.....	1947-49=100	123	125	124	123	123	124	126	128	130	132	133	135	136
Manufactures.....	do	125	126	125	124	125	126	128	130	131	133	134	136	137
Durable manufactures.....	do	134	136	135	134	135	137	139	142	143	145	147	148	151
Primary metals.....	do	103	106	108	103	105	105	111	118	121	127	131	135	139
Metal fabricating (incl. ordnance).....	do	147	148	147	147	148	149	150	152	154	155	157	158	160
Fabricated metal products.....	do	119	121	122	122	124	122	124	125	125	125	126	128	131
Machinery.....	do	138	138	139	141	144	147	147	148	148	145	146	146	149
Nonelectrical machinery.....	do	125	124	124	125	125	125	123	122	120	124	125	126	130
Electrical machinery.....	do	163	163	170	173	181	189	194	198	193	187	187	185	186
Transportation equipment.....	do	174	178	170	170	166	167	169	175	187	191	193	196	199
Instruments and related products.....	do	139	138	135	136	135	137	137	138	140	140	142	144	144
Furniture and fixtures.....	do	103	102	104	106	109	109	110	108	108	109	109	111	113
Lumber and products.....	do	114	120	108	96	97	116	128	124	131	127	127	127	127
Stone, clay, and glass products.....	do	128	130	129	131	132	134	132	136	135	136	138	141	143
Miscellaneous manufactures.....	do	127	128	131	130	133	132	132	132	131	132	133	136	135
Nondurable manufactures.....	do	115	117	116	114	114	115	117	118	119	121	121	123	124
Food and beverage manufactures.....	do	107	110	108	105	105	105	105	106	106	107	106	108	108
Tobacco manufactures.....	do	103	108	107	101	99	102	102	100	101	107	106	106	106
Textile-mill products.....	do	94	95	93	95	94	95	101	101	101	103	103	104	104
Apparel and allied products.....	do	109	107	106	102	103	101	103	105	105	107	108	116	115
Leather and products.....	do	94	94	95	100	96	91	94	96	100	105	104	106	106
Paper and allied products.....	do	133	137	136	133	135	137	138	137	136	140	143	143	123
Printing and publishing.....	do	120	121	121	121	121	121	121	120	121	122	122	124	123
Chemicals and allied products.....	do	146	148	148	149	150	150	152	155	154	157	160	160	160
Petroleum and coal products.....	do	124	125	124	122	121	125	124	127	129	131	134	133	132
Rubber products.....	do	113	119	120	97	98	117	125	122	133	143	138	140	140
Minerals.....	do	109	111	114	112	109	108	109	113	116	120	123	122	121
Coal.....	do	58	65	69	70	68	67	70	69	73	74	79	72	73
Crude oil and natural gas.....	do	137	134	136	133	130	129	130	136	138	142	145	146	145
Metal mining.....	do	78	91	99	91	83	82	81	86	103	110	113	113	113
Stone and earth minerals.....	do	120	121	122	125	121	121	121	125	127	126	124	133	133
CONSUMER DURABLES OUTPUT														
Unadjusted, total output*.....	1947-49=100	119	116	116	102	113	108	109	129	132	142	151	155	154
Major consumer durables.....	do	131	126	125	107	121	111	111	142	149	163	174	179	179
Autos.....	do	151	146	143	125	123	81	70	144	174	195	210	215	223
Major household goods.....	do	116	110	112	92	121	139	149	142	130	137	146	151	143
Furniture and floor coverings.....	do	97	92	93	89	102	108	111	108	109	111	113	113	113
Appliances and heaters.....	do	116	112	112	88	101	122	124	116	108	124	138	151	151
Radio and television sets.....	do	172	155	165	116	234	279	338	324	258	260	272	260	260
Other consumer durables.....	do	92	92	94	90	94	101	104	100	94	95	97	99	97
Adjusted, total output*.....	do	116	119	118	116	115	114	112	119	125	131	135	139	143
Major consumer durables.....	do	126	130	128	126	125	121	117	128	137	145	151	156	162
Autos.....	do	139	145	136	127	121	110	104	127	149	160	172	179	190
Major household goods.....	do	115	119	123	127	131	132	131	130	129	133	135	137	140
Furniture and floor coverings.....	do	97	96	102	106	107	106	103	105	107	107	109	109	109
Appliances and heaters.....	do	112	116	110	114	109	112	110	114	115	128	131	137	137
Radio and television sets.....	do	178	196	243	241	270	267	270	259	242	225	226	222	222
Other consumer durables.....	do	93	93	96	93	91	98	98	97	96	98	98	99	100
BUSINESS SALES AND INVENTORIES§														
Manufacturing and trade sales (adj.), total†....bil. of dol.	46.9	46.1	46.9	46.6	46.3	46.4	45.6	47.6	48.7	48.7	48.9	50.8	51.0	51.0
Manufacturing, total†.....	do	23.7	23.2	23.3	23.2	23.1	23.0	22.5	24.0	24.1	24.3	24.6	26.0	26.1
Durable-goods industries.....	do	11.2	11.1	11.3	11.2	10.9	10.8	10.3	11.3	11.6	11.9	12.0	12.9	12.8
Nondurable-goods industries.....	do	12.5	12.1	12.1	12.1	12.2	12.2	12.2	12.7	12.5	12.4	12.6	13.1	13.3
Wholesale trade, total.....	do	9.0	8.9	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.2	9.0	9.3	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.7	9.6
Durable-goods establishments.....	do	2.8	2.8	3.0	2.9	2.9	2.8	2.8	2.9	3.0	3.1	3.1	3.2	3.2
Nondurable-goods establishments.....	do	6.2	6.1	6.2	6.1	6.1	6.3	6.2	6.3	6.5	6.4	6.4	6.5	6.4
Retail trade, total.....	do	14.2	14.0	14.4	14.3	14.2	14.2	14.1	14.4	15.1	14.9	14.8	15.1	15.2
Durable-goods stores.....	do	4.9	4.7	5.0	4.9	4.8	4.8	4.7	4.9	5.3	5.1	5.2	5.5	5.5
Nondurable-goods stores.....	do	9.4	9.3	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.4	9.8	9.7	9.6	9.7	9.7
Manufacturing and trade inventories, book value, end of month (adjusted), total†....bil. of dol.	78.8	78.9	78.7	77.6	77.3	77.0	76.9	77.1	76.9	76.9	77.3	77.5	77.7	77.7
Manufacturing, total†.....	do	44.5	44.3	44.2	43.4	43.1	42.9	43.2	43.3	43.3	43.2	43.3	43.3	43.3
Durable-goods industries.....	do	25.1	24.9	24.6	24.0	23.8	23.7	23.9	24.0	24.0	24.0	24.0	24.1	24.2
Nondurable-goods industries.....	do	19.4	19.4	19.6	19.4	19.2	19.2	19.3	19.3	19.2	19.2	19.2	19.2	19.1
Wholesale trade, total.....	do	11.6	11.8	11.9	11.8	11.8	11.7	11.7	11.7	11.5	11.5	11.7	11.6	11.7
Durable-goods establishments.....	do	5.7	5.8	5.8	5.8	5.8	5.8	5.9	5.9	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.7
Nondurable-goods establishments.....	do	5.9	6.0	6.1	6.0	5.9	5.9	5.9	5.9	5.8	5.9	5.9	5.9	6.0
Retail trade, total.....	do	22.7	22.8	22.6	22.4	22.5	22.4	22.0	22.1	22.1	22.2	22.4	22.6	22.8
Durable-goods stores.....	do	10.4	10.5	10.4	10.2	10.3	10.2	10.0	10.0	10.1	10.2	10.3	10.5	10.6
Nondurable-goods stores.....	do	12.3	12.3	12.2	12.2	12.2	12.2	12.0	12.1	12.0	12.1	12.0	12.1	12.2

* Revised. † Preliminary. ♀ See note marked "♀" on p. S-2.

* New series. Compiled by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System. For description of the index and back figures, see the May 1954 FEDERAL RESERVE BULLETIN and subsequent issues.

§ The term "business" here includes only manufacturing and trade. Business inventories as shown on p. S-1 cover data for all types of producers, both farm and nonfarm. Unadjusted data for manufacturing are shown on p. S-4; those for retail and wholesale trade, on pp. S-9 and S-10.

† Revised series. Effective with the May and June 1955 issues of the SURVEY, data for manufacturers' sales, inventories, and orders have been adjusted to new benchmarks; the revision affects data beginning 1951 (the back revisions for sales and inventories, except by stages of fabrication, appear on pp. 20 ff. of the May SURVEY; those for inventories by stages of fabrication and for new and unfilled orders, on pp. 21 ff. of this issue).

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	1954								1955					
	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May

GENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORS—Continued

MANUFACTURERS' SALES, INVENTORIES, AND ORDERS

Sales, value (unadjusted), total†	24,039	22,666	23,644	21,728	23,164	23,672	23,638	23,691	24,164	23,699	23,971	27,550	26,378
Durable-goods industries, total	do	11,645	10,993	11,705	10,191	10,701	10,952	10,689	11,088	11,737	11,400	11,796	13,899
Primary metal	do	1,668	1,639	1,722	1,421	1,529	1,614	1,646	1,683	1,793	1,873	1,898	2,225
Fabricated metal	do	1,190	1,133	1,222	1,109	1,240	1,223	1,216	1,103	1,043	1,078	1,090	1,291
Machinery (including electrical)	do	3,342	3,085	3,319	2,772	2,884	3,138	3,065	2,993	3,287	2,920	3,134	3,628
Transportation equipment (including motor vehicles)	mil. of dol.	2,979	2,756	2,863	2,575	2,459	2,205	2,053	2,728	3,213	3,166	3,239	3,852
Lumber and furniture	do	962	887	976	839	1,002	1,091	1,000	987	955	944	1,009	1,176
Stone, clay, and glass	do	561	573	622	576	625	652	640	594	530	498	505	651
Other durable-goods industries	do	943	920	981	899	962	1,029	1,069	1,000	916	921	1,076	971
Nondurable-goods industries, total	do	12,394	11,673	11,939	11,537	12,463	12,720	12,949	12,603	12,427	12,299	12,175	13,651
Food and beverage	do	4,189	4,069	4,045	4,041	4,092	4,145	4,234	4,068	3,975	3,908	3,799	4,117
Tobacco	do	296	308	330	319	338	330	325	315	317	277	268	309
Textile	do	952	874	1,024	861	1,058	1,169	1,131	1,122	1,077	1,047	1,004	1,151
Paper	do	738	707	733	680	751	736	764	733	712	756	731	847
Chemical	do	1,702	1,602	1,610	1,493	1,626	1,717	1,707	1,677	1,621	1,776	1,737	2,025
Petroleum and coal	do	2,108	2,062	2,128	2,103	2,122	2,101	2,140	2,218	2,470	2,339	2,288	2,388
Rubber	do	394	374	404	377	363	343	374	372	400	437	418	475
Other nondurable-goods industries	do	2,015	1,677	1,665	1,663	2,113	2,179	2,314	2,098	1,855	1,759	1,980	2,339
Sales, value (adjusted), total†	do	23,681	23,204	23,349	23,209	23,113	23,008	22,489	23,964	24,097	24,287	24,649	25,976
Durable-goods industries, total	do	11,160	11,066	11,293	11,153	10,907	10,832	10,295	11,314	11,570	11,850	12,029	12,860
Primary metal	do	1,634	1,614	1,697	1,634	1,569	1,662	1,596	1,703	1,719	1,829	1,950	2,087
Fabricated metal	do	1,190	1,193	1,210	1,205	1,181	1,154	1,067	1,126	1,098	1,123	1,147	1,253
Machinery (including electrical)	do	3,198	3,131	3,197	3,151	3,037	3,081	2,976	3,084	3,147	3,075	3,130	3,205
Transportation equipment (including motor vehicles)	mil. of dol.	2,751	2,702	2,679	2,666	2,572	2,317	2,159	2,865	3,061	3,221	3,197	3,486
Lumber and furniture	do	899	896	948	932	992	1,049	952	997	985	1,026	1,051	1,069
Stone, clay, and glass	do	545	591	581	588	584	598	582	577	596	586	574	621
Other durable-goods industries	do	943	939	981	977	972	971	963	962	964	990	1,015	971
Nondurable-goods industries, total	do	12,521	12,138	12,056	12,056	12,206	12,176	12,194	12,650	12,527	12,437	12,620	13,116
Food and beverage	do	4,362	4,115	3,993	4,082	4,048	3,979	3,975	4,031	3,991	3,993	4,029	4,113
Tobacco	do	308	318	303	307	322	311	291	315	299	298	303	323
Textile	do	971	1,016	1,024	990	1,027	1,063	1,010	1,100	1,046	1,068	1,035	1,096
Paper	do	724	721	733	731	744	729	728	733	742	741	754	807
Chemical	do	1,624	1,592	1,637	1,569	1,641	1,657	1,619	1,761	1,764	1,740	1,787	1,902
Petroleum and coal	do	2,151	2,170	2,171	2,124	2,122	2,101	2,119	2,240	2,287	2,293	2,307	2,341
Rubber	do	382	378	385	393	352	346	346	404	417	424	440	466
Other nondurable-goods industries	do	1,999	1,828	1,810	1,860	1,950	1,990	2,106	2,066	1,981	1,880	1,970	2,088
Inventories, end of month:†													
Book value (unadjusted), total	do	44,523	44,337	44,192	43,483	42,836	42,639	42,891	43,037	43,511	43,503	43,477	43,483
Durable-goods industries, total	do	25,331	25,111	24,756	24,078	23,670	23,462	23,676	23,694	24,047	24,053	24,121	24,337
Primary metal	do	3,140	3,113	3,057	3,133	3,148	3,151	3,196	3,246	3,345	3,280	3,229	3,166
Fabricated metal	do	2,682	2,746	2,802	2,660	2,537	2,507	2,422	2,393	2,391	2,417	2,420	2,486
Machinery (including electrical)	do	8,686	8,590	8,424	8,192	8,052	7,910	7,861	7,852	7,820	7,822	7,844	7,933
Transportation equipment (including motor vehicles)	mil. of dol.	5,902	5,742	5,656	5,440	5,338	5,362	5,702	5,699	5,825	5,831	5,863	5,940
Lumber and furniture	do	1,723	1,719	1,673	1,633	1,586	1,566	1,587	1,617	1,690	1,719	1,742	1,731
Stone, clay, and glass	do	911	905	880	861	836	827	813	817	860	882	907	914
Other durable-goods industries	do	2,287	2,296	2,264	2,159	2,173	2,139	2,095	2,070	2,116	2,102	2,116	2,155
By stages of fabrication:													
Purchased materials	bil. of dol.	6.9	6.9	7.0	6.9	6.7	6.7	6.6	6.6	6.5	6.4	6.3	6.3
Goods in process	do	10.1	9.9	9.6	9.4	9.3	9.3	9.6	9.6	9.7	9.8	9.8	10.0
Finished goods	do	8.3	8.3	8.2	7.8	7.6	7.4	7.5	7.5	7.8	7.9	8.0	8.1
Nondurable-goods industries, total	mil. of dol.	19,192	19,226	19,436	19,405	19,166	19,177	19,215	19,343	19,464	19,450	19,356	19,215
Food and beverage	do	4,409	4,368	4,412	4,467	4,460	4,502	4,588	4,735	4,730	4,697	4,543	4,391
Tobacco	do	1,841	1,793	1,762	1,773	1,759	1,797	1,872	1,880	1,919	1,963	1,934	1,857
Textile	do	2,439	2,474	2,466	2,433	2,373	2,352	2,299	2,292	2,327	2,330	2,380	2,346
Paper	do	1,002	996	997	974	962	973	988	1,001	1,014	1,028	1,055	1,038
Chemical	do	2,963	2,929	2,961	2,982	2,910	2,886	2,928	2,969	3,082	3,049	3,045	3,022
Petroleum and coal	do	2,678	2,757	2,767	2,791	2,815	2,821	2,826	2,786	2,669	2,581	2,590	2,587
Rubber	do	846	838	841	779	732	759	785	795	821	806	806	821
Other nondurable-goods industries	do	3,014	3,071	3,230	3,236	3,155	3,087	2,929	2,885	2,902	2,996	3,003	3,040
By stages of fabrication:													
Purchased materials	bil. of dol.	7.9	7.7	7.8	7.8	7.7	7.8	7.8	7.9	8.1	7.9	7.8	7.6
Goods in process	do	2.8	2.8	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.8	2.9	2.9
Finished goods	do	8.5	8.7	8.9	8.9	8.8	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.7	8.6	8.5	8.5
Inventories, end of month:†													
Book value (adjusted), total	do	44,495	44,335	44,185	43,431	43,059	42,908	43,168	43,270	43,265	43,196	43,256	43,332
Durable-goods industries, total	do	25,145	24,908	24,617	24,011	23,836	23,709	23,916	23,959	24,023	23,984	24,028	24,112
Primary metal	do	3,276	3,208	3,151	3,145	3,126	3,068	3,095	3,127	3,235	3,239	3,262	3,288
Fabricated metal	do	2,629	2,640	2,694	2,583	2,563	2,585	2,523	2,493	2,440	2,417	2,461	2,504
Machinery (including electrical)	do	8,533	8,472	8,326	8,193	8,138	8,057	7,973	7,978	7,881	7,804	7,794	7,794
Transportation equipment (including motor vehicles)	mil. of dol.	5,841	5,714	5,643	5,431	5,391	5,419	5,728	5,772	5,780	5,838	5,861	5,883
Lumber and furniture	do	1,740	1,736	1,690	1,617	1,570	1,566	1,603	1,617	1,690	1,719	1,724	1,754
Stone, clay, and glass	do	884	887	871	861	853	856	860	860	865	872	887	885
Other durable-goods industries	do	2,242	2,251	2,242	2,181	2,195	2,161	2,138	2,112	2,137	2,102	2,095	2,091
By stages of fabrication:													
Purchased materials	bil. of dol.	7.1	7.1	7.1	6.9	6.7	6.7	6.5	6.5	6.3	6.4	6.3	6.5
Goods in process	do	9.9	9.8	9.6	9.4	9.3	9.3	9.6	9.7	9.8	9.9	9.9	9.9
Finished goods	do	8.1	8.0	7.9	7.7	7.8	7.7	7.8	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.8
Nondurable-goods industries, total	mil. of dol.	19,350	19,427	19,568	19,420	19,223	19,199	19,252	19,311	19,242</td			

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GENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORS—Continued

MANUFACTURERS' SALES, INVENTORIES, AND ORDERS—Continued

New orders, net (unadjusted), total†	22,251	21,060	22,487	20,876	21,827	23,817	23,574	22,635	24,309	24,324	24,268	28,310	25,870		
Durable-goods industries, total	9,809	9,166	10,340	9,407	9,500	11,087	10,769	9,919	11,788	11,940	12,023	14,596	12,935		
Primary metal	1,307	1,377	1,468	1,301	1,512	1,605	1,712	1,846	2,151	2,222	2,397	2,896	2,459		
Fabricated metal	942	892	1,285	890	1,158	1,052	1,101	1,140	1,159	1,135	1,064	1,463	1,238		
Machinery (including electrical)	2,721	2,377	2,726	2,568	2,441	2,998	2,881	2,702	3,029	2,983	3,191	3,656	3,341		
Transportation equipment (including motor vehicles)	2,500	2,160	2,240	2,233	1,609	2,672	2,626	1,824	3,173	3,015	2,871	3,658	3,175		
Other durable-goods industries	2,339	2,360	2,621	2,415	2,690	2,760	2,449	2,407	2,276	2,585	2,500	2,923	2,722		
Nondurable-goods industries, total	12,442	11,894	12,147	11,469	12,327	12,730	12,805	12,716	12,521	12,384	12,245	13,714	12,935		
Industries with unfilled orders ♀	2,827	2,784	2,971	2,449	2,755	3,027	2,923	3,053	2,901	2,893	2,870	3,253	2,861		
Industries without unfilled orders ¶	9,615	9,110	9,176	9,020	9,572	9,703	9,882	9,663	9,620	9,491	9,375	10,461	10,074		
New orders, net (adjusted), total†	do	22,317	21,931	21,956	21,415	21,913	23,286	22,870	23,142	24,760	24,641	24,845	26,482	25,945	
Durable-goods industries, total	do	9,619	9,588	9,822	9,407	9,756	11,153	10,790	10,491	11,963	12,142	12,170	13,353	12,684	
Primary metal	do	1,245	1,391	1,562	1,314	1,543	1,783	1,678	1,943	2,068	2,136	2,446	2,586	2,342	
Fabricated metal	do	924	939	1,224	890	1,103	992	1,101	1,267	1,288	1,135	1,120	1,306	1,214	
Machinery (including electrical)	do	2,587	2,526	2,599	2,579	2,524	3,073	2,915	2,950	2,933	2,936	3,233	3,404	3,175	
Transportation equipment (including motor vehicles)	do	2,500	2,274	1,867	2,233	1,999	2,545	2,764	1,824	3,173	3,350	2,871	3,325	3,175	
Other durable-goods industries	do	2,363	2,458	2,570	2,391	2,587	2,700	2,332	2,507	2,501	2,585	2,500	2,732	2,778	
Nondurable-goods industries, total	do	12,698	12,343	12,134	12,008	12,157	12,133	12,080	12,651	12,797	12,499	12,675	13,129	13,261	
Industries with unfilled orders ♀	do	2,945	2,962	2,913	2,752	2,783	2,803	2,682	2,907	3,119	2,922	2,899	3,040	2,980	
Industries without unfilled orders ¶	do	9,753	9,381	9,221	9,256	9,374	9,330	9,398	9,744	9,678	9,577	9,776	10,089	10,281	
Unfilled orders, end of month (unadj.), total†	do	52,311	50,705	49,548	48,696	47,359	47,504	47,440	46,384	46,529	47,174	47,471	48,231	47,723	
Durable-goods industries, total	do	49,870	48,043	46,678	45,894	44,693	44,828	44,908	43,739	43,790	44,350	44,577	45,274	44,880	
Primary metal	do	3,835	3,573	3,319	3,199	3,182	3,173	3,239	3,402	3,760	4,109	4,608	5,279	5,579	
Fabricated metal	do	3,796	3,555	3,618	3,399	3,317	3,146	3,031	3,068	3,184	3,241	3,215	3,387	3,335	
Machinery (including electrical)	do	16,184	15,476	14,883	14,679	14,236	14,096	13,912	13,621	13,363	13,446	13,503	13,531	13,534	
Transportation equipment (including motor vehicles)	do	21,730	21,134	20,511	20,169	19,409	19,876	20,449	19,545	19,505	19,354	18,986	18,792	18,145	
Other industries, including ordnance	do	4,325	4,305	4,347	4,448	4,549	4,537	4,277	4,103	3,978	4,200	4,265	4,285	4,257	
Nondurable-goods industries, total ♀	do	2,441	2,662	2,870	2,802	2,666	2,676	2,532	2,645	2,739	2,824	2,894	2,957	2,843	

BUSINESS INCORPORATIONS♂

New incorporations (48 States)	number	10,272	9,280	9,748	9,409	9,041	9,256	9,852	9,735	11,983	13,181	11,369	13,417	11,756
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INDUSTRIAL AND COMMERCIAL FAILURES♂

Failures, total	number	975	943	965	856	912	819	871	933	917	939	877	1,038	903
Commercial service	do	66	81	81	80	80	59	68	72	87	60	66	66	66
Construction	do	92	111	132	95	100	88	109	110	130	87	113	108	106
Manufacturing and mining	do	200	200	208	165	187	153	189	179	204	195	188	225	154
Retail trade	do	535	460	455	417	451	406	414	490	413	456	412	520	484
Wholesale trade	do	82	91	89	99	94	113	91	86	98	114	104	119	93
Liabilities (current), total	thous. of dol.	42,512	38,494	41,613	32,230	32,582	36,381	29,000	35,067	40,103	37,872	42,056	41,209	35,968
Commercial service	do	1,648	2,961	2,045	2,524	2,381	2,290	1,952	4,065	1,857	3,154	2,244	2,916	2,229
Construction	do	3,692	3,674	4,514	4,958	2,386	5,584	4,733	6,859	5,926	9,044	7,624	4,468	6,450
Manufacturing and mining	do	20,568	15,621	18,454	9,986	12,388	11,262	7,547	8,099	17,526	11,636	18,922	16,921	12,653
Retail trade	do	12,030	11,739	11,722	9,622	11,225	11,879	11,845	10,466	8,509	9,647	8,928	11,972	10,765
Wholesale trade	do	4,574	4,499	4,878	5,140	4,202	5,366	2,923	5,578	6,285	4,391	4,338	4,932	3,871

COMMODITY PRICES

PRICES RECEIVED AND PAID BY FARMERS														
Prices received, all farm products\$	1910-14=100	257	255	247	245	249	246	242	239	243	244	243	247	244
Crops	do	242	246	243	247	248	247	243	243	247	244	243	252	255
Food grains	do	234	227	216	225	228	233	235	239	241	240	239	236	240
Feed grains and hay	do	208	207	205	202	207	210	204	199	202	204	203	198	200
Tobacco	do	443	446	445	446	430	441	438	430	425	436	437	437	436
Cotton	do	267	272	274	272	288	292	293	281	276	275	268	269	270
Fruit	do	204	217	236	228	234	248	220	210	218	216	203	204	209
Commercial vegetables, fresh market	do	266	247	197	228	199	173	190	226	221	257	258	262	308
Oil-bearing crops	do	283	286	283	286	294	276	277	279	274	270	264	261	259
Livestock and products	do	270	263	249	244	249	245	241	241	236	240	245	243	234
Meat animals	do	330	324	296	278	282	274	265	261	253	263	264	269	260
Dairy products	do	237	231	229	228	245	254	262	266	264	258	255	248	236
Poultry and eggs	do	178	169	172	179	162	154	159	155	163	190	199	185	175
Prices paid:														
All commodities and services	do	265	267	265	263	264	263	262	262	261	264	265	265	263
Family living items	do	273	276	277	277	273	273	272	272	273	271	273	274	274
Production items	do	256	256	252	247	250	251	250	251	250	254	256	256	251
All commodities and services, interest, taxes, and wage rates\$	1910-14=100	282	284	282	280	282	280	279	279	283	283	284	284	282
Parity ratio†	do	91	90	88	88	89	88	87	87	86	87	86	87	87

* Revised. † See corresponding note on p. S-3. ♀ Includes textiles, leather, paper, and printing and publishing industries; unfilled orders for other nondurable-goods industries are zero.

¶ For these industries (food, beverages, tobacco, apparel, petroleum, chemicals, and rubber), sales are considered equal to new orders. ♂ Data are from Dun and Bradstreet, Inc. \$Data for prices received for the period January 1952-March 1955 have been revised to incorporate the latest revisions in the price series for individual commodities; revisions prior to April 1954 will be shown later (revised annual data for 1910-51 for prices received appear on p. 23 of the April 1954 SURVEY). **Revisions for 1937-53 for prices paid and 1910-53 for parity ratio appear on p. 24 of the April 1954 SURVEY. ⊕ Ratio of prices received to prices paid (including interest, taxes, and wage rates).

SURVEY OF CURRENT BUSINESS

Unless otherwise stated, statistics through 1952 and descriptive notes are shown in the 1953 Statistical Supplement to the Survey

	1954										1955					
	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May		
CONSTRUCTION AND REAL ESTATE																
CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY																
New construction (unadjusted), total [†] , mil. of dol.	2,814	3,140	3,385	3,556	3,693	3,674	3,503	3,329	3,092	2,819	2,697	2,974	3,261	3,537		
Private, total	do	1,923	2,116	2,273	2,387	2,457	2,460	2,420	2,358	2,263	2,072	2,003	2,179	2,349	2,490	
Residential (nonfarm)	do	980	1,107	1,193	1,267	1,313	1,327	1,321	1,293	1,258	1,122	1,046	1,170	1,298	1,364	
New dwelling units	do	860	970	1,050	1,125	1,175	1,195	1,175	1,150	1,030	960	1,076	1,170	1,220		
Additions and alterations	do	96	111	114	113	110	107	102	96	86	71	68	79	105	117	
Nonresidential building, except farm and public utility, total	do	466	490	530	551	556	558	554	564	552	542	549	559	563	593	
Industrial	do	168	162	161	158	159	162	170	178	184	186	187	186	184		
Commercial	do	152	170	192	206	216	210	202	203	192	188	199	208	214	235	
Farm construction	do	127	145	157	164	157	153	126	106	93	92	95	103	114	131	
Public utility	do	342	365	382	393	409	410	407	383	348	302	297	333	360	386	
Public, total	do	801	1,024	1,112	1,169	1,236	1,214	1,083	971	829	747	694	795	912	1,047	
Nonresidential building	do	383	394	407	420	437	410	390	366	351	342	316	354	378	388	
Military facilities	do	78	78	90	97	98	101	95	88	82	78	83	87	90		
Highway	do	229	342	400	440	479	492	389	320	214	155	150	180	255	360	
Other types	do	201	210	215	219	223	214	203	190	176	168	150	178	192	209	
New construction (seasonally adjusted), total [‡] , mil. of dol.	3,016	3,114	3,108	3,133	3,199	3,199	3,136	3,254	3,429	3,428	3,451	3,442	3,498	3,512		
Private, total	do	2,053	2,126	2,125	2,180	2,226	2,247	2,238	2,269	2,350	2,396	2,435	2,446	2,503	2,496	
Residential (nonfarm)	do	1,040	1,104	1,102	1,150	1,192	1,215	1,210	1,229	1,307	1,336	1,345	1,330	1,366	1,350	
Nonresidential building, except farm and public utility	mil. of dol.	512	521	523	530	534	530	525	537	539	552	582	604	623	629	
Farm construction	do	133	132	131	129	128	127	126	125	124	123	122	121	120	119	
Public utility	do	360	361	360	361	362	363	364	365	366	368	371	375	380	383	
Public, total	do	963	988	983	953	973	952	898	985	1,079	1,032	1,016	996	995	1,016	
Nonresidential building	do	382	381	387	374	385	372	363	384	393	389	376	377	378	377	
Highway	do	284	320	314	309	318	314	266	320	393	341	321	319	341	340	
CONTRACT AWARDS																
Construction contracts awarded in 37 States (F. W. Dodge Corp.):																
Total projects	number	65,521	65,641	59,741	60,996	61,612	65,832	67,701	54,671	62,394	56,285	58,456	75,533	79,184		
Total value	mil. of dol.	1,692	1,925	1,733	1,837	1,573	1,816	1,965	1,499	1,829	1,504	1,581	2,135	2,322		
Public ownership	do	477	669	625	509	589	635	475	617	480	472	677	676			
Private ownership	do	2,125	2,156	1,108	1,156	1,064	1,227	1,332	1,024	1,212	1,099	1,458	1,646			
Nonresidential buildings:																
Projects	number	5,406	5,647	5,367	5,744	5,251	5,030	5,321	4,302	5,017	4,227	4,284	5,729	6,135		
Floor area	thous. of sq. ft.	45,371	51,913	49,014	48,877	42,549	45,303	50,258	38,559	51,396	42,768	41,861	51,925	51,989		
Valuation	thous. of dol.	608,427	672,288	656,445	641,513	550,550	646,825	670,934	491,090	701,427	564,788	534,463	758,370	766,019		
Residential buildings:																
Projects	number	57,531	50,019	51,414	51,988	53,403	57,928	59,900	48,656	55,407	50,696	52,583	67,539	70,088		
Floor area	thous. of sq. ft.	80,422	84,946	73,138	74,756	70,591	78,995	85,814	71,778	77,300	70,031	74,545	98,806	107,850		
Valuation	thous. of dol.	796,133	825,300	720,266	745,440	692,736	777,332	851,824	708,691	761,577	690,355	744,102	989,730	1,070,129		
Public works:																
Projects	number	2,040	2,427	2,458	2,693	2,442	2,357	1,988	1,317	1,514	979	1,234	1,803	2,301		
Valuation	thous. of dol.	219,400	324,032	287,104	351,895	262,682	293,285	342,592	204,595	272,910	173,657	247,763	273,315	342,186		
Utilities:																
Projects	number	544	548	502	571	516	457	492	396	456	383	355	462	660		
Valuation	thous. of dol.	70,908	103,633	69,449	98,087	66,897	98,790	99,989	94,474	92,923	75,650	54,815	112,904	203,751		
Value of contract awards (F. R. indexes):																
Total, unadjusted	1947-49=100	225	234	240	225	229	234	231	232	211	215	228	264	290		
Residential, unadjusted	do	251	257	251	236	243	254	256	254	241	241	266	307	336		
Total, adjusted	do	196	193	207	206	218	231	241	255	261	261	260	293			
Residential, adjusted	do	213	216	227	233	244	253	263	264	277	277	297	291	286		
Engineering construction:																
Contract awards (ENR) [§]	mil. of dol.	1,439	1,437	1,161	1,575	1,271	1,479	996	1,215	1,373	1,295	1,085	1,987	1,449	1,727	
Highway concrete pavement contract awards: [○]																
Total	thous. of sq. yd.	7,791	6,255	10,472	7,624	8,301	7,821	8,376	5,076	18,691	7,134	7,289	9,504	8,470	8,760	
Airports	do	1,211	1,480	2,141	1,370	1,711	1,206	582	1,500	2,698	2,600	2,134	2,021	2,855	1,242	
Roads	do	4,005	1,820	4,504	3,437	3,408	4,301	5,485	1,919	1,3,639	2,769	3,635	3,988	2,279	3,305	
Streets and alleys	do	2,575	2,954	3,826	2,808	3,272	2,314	2,309	1,657	1,2,354	1,765	1,520	3,495	3,336	4,213	
NEW DWELLING UNITS																
(U. S. Department of Labor)																
New permanent nonfarm dwelling units started:																
Unadjusted:																
Total, privately and publicly owned	thousands	107.7	108.5	116.5	116.0	114.3	115.7	110.7	103.6	90.6	87.6	89.9	117.0	127.0	132.0	
Privately owned, total	do	106.5	107.4	112.6	112.9	113.0	113.4	110.5	103.3	89.9	87.3	87.9	116.1	126.5	129.5	
In metropolitan areas	do	78.4	76.1	83.9	84.6	81.4	80.6	80.2	75.4	69.0	67.8	64.9	92.8	95.1		
Publicly owned	do	1.2	1.1	3.9	3.1	1.3	2.3	.2	.3	.7	.3	.2	.9	.5	2.5	
Seasonally adjusted at annual rate: [‡]																
Privately owned, total	do	1,102.0	1,083.0	1,175.0	1,188.0	1,211.0	1,248.0	1,287.0	1,393.0	1,478.0	1,419.0	1,370.0	1,407.0	1,309.0	1,306.0	
Residential construction authorized (nonfarm; house-keeping units only), all permit-issuing places: [†]																
New dwelling units, total	thousands	100.2	92.3	108.1	98.1	99.8	97.3	94.3	88.0	77.4	76.3	78.8	115.6			
Privately financed, total	do	99.1	91.3	104.2	96.2	98.2	95.9	94.1	87.7	76.0	75.9	76.8	114.7			
Units in 1-family structures	do	88.2	81.5	93.0	85.1	88.3	86.7	84.2	77.8	66.3	67.3	67.9	100.5			
Units in 2-family structures	do	3.2	2.9	3.0	3.1	2.9	2.8	2.7	2.7	2.9	2.1	2.5	4.0			
Units in multifamily structures	do	7.7	6.8	8.2	8.1	7.0	6.4	7.2	7.1	6.8	6.5	6.3	10.1			
Publicly financed, total	do	1.1	1.0	3.9	1.8	1.7	1.5	.2	.3	1.4	.3	2.1	.9			
Associated General Contractors (all types)	do	422	422	424	429	430	431	432	432	432	432					

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	1954										1955			
	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May
CONSTRUCTION AND REAL ESTATE—Continued														
CONSTRUCTION COST INDEXES—Continued														
E. H. Boeckh and Associates: [§]														
Average, 20 cities:														
Apartments, hotels, and office buildings:														
Brick and concrete.....U. S. avg. 1926-29=100..	254.2	255.7	256.1	257.3	257.9	258.3	258.5	258.2	258.5	258.8	258.8	259.0	260.7	260.7
Brick and steel.....do.....	250.2	251.3	251.5	252.8	253.3	253.7	253.9	253.4	253.8	254.6	254.7	254.9	256.2	256.2
Brick and wood.....do.....	252.8	253.9	254.7	256.2	256.3	256.5	256.8	256.8	257.1	257.7	257.9	258.6	260.0	260.0
Commercial and factory buildings:														
Brick and concrete.....do.....	261.0	262.9	263.4	265.0	265.8	266.1	266.3	266.0	266.2	266.4	266.5	266.7	268.5	268.5
Brick and steel.....do.....	257.4	258.8	259.3	261.0	261.7	262.1	262.2	262.0	262.2	262.5	262.6	262.9	264.5	264.5
Brick and wood.....do.....	251.9	253.1	253.6	254.9	255.3	255.4	255.6	255.5	255.7	256.2	256.3	256.8	258.1	258.1
Frame.....do.....	251.5	252.6	253.9	255.4	255.7	256.1	256.1	256.1	256.4	257.4	257.7	258.8	260.3	260.3
Steel.....do.....	241.2	242.2	242.4	244.7	245.5	245.9	245.6	245.9	246.0	246.1	246.3	247.4	247.4	247.4
Residences:														
Brick.....do.....	253.4	254.5	255.3	256.8	257.0	257.2	257.5	257.4	257.7	258.4	258.6	259.3	260.7	260.7
Frame.....do.....	247.4	248.3	249.3	250.8	250.8	251.1	251.4	251.4	251.7	252.4	252.6	253.5	254.9	254.9
Engineering News-Record: [♂]														
Building.....1947-49=100..	129.6	130.0	131.3	134.7	134.4	134.7	135.0	135.1	135.4	135.9	135.9	136.2	136.8	137.4
Construction.....do.....	136.6	137.3	138.7	141.7	141.3	141.6	141.8	141.9	142.1	142.4	142.5	142.9	144.2	144.8
Bu. of Public Roads—Highway construction:														
Composite, standard mile.....1946=100.....			127.0			125.4				128.1			127.6	
CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS														
Output of selected construction materials, index: [†]														
Iron and steel products.....1947-49=100..	134.0	124.5	138.1	121.4	126.9	124.3	121.3	105.6	97.6	104.5	* 104.5	130.1		
Lumber and wood products.....do.....	126.3	124.5	117.9	93.9	107.6	126.6	133.5	127.5	124.9	117.7	116.7	136.4		
REAL ESTATE														
Home mortgages insured or guaranteed by—														
Fed. Hous. Adm.: Face amount.....thous. of dol.....	152,886	146,580	164,217	154,598	160,706	155,743	153,592	182,894	201,289	252,393	226,434	269,267	243,346	
Vet. Adm.: Face amount.....do.....	249,213	269,616	308,931	293,652	418,182	409,864	517,807	492,850	555,699	622,155	566,118	531,647	514,998	
Federal Home Loan Banks, outstanding advances to member institutions.....mil. of dol.....	613	608	675	630	659	689	708	743	867	717	688	702	754	
New mortgage loans of all savings and loan associations, estimated total.....thous. of dol.....	731,533	728,369	809,937	802,356	840,693	828,170	824,223	806,718	852,543	743,693	775,171	1,025,743	1,015,722	
By purpose of loan:														
Home construction.....do.....	256,844	254,361	283,088	280,756	288,985	282,060	283,385	278,125	294,539	252,192	264,962	386,238	380,044	
Home purchase.....do.....	297,895	301,497	341,421	348,998	371,951	368,912	364,267	357,022	368,513	325,796	339,522	427,406	430,289	
All other purposes.....do.....	176,794	172,511	185,428	172,602	179,757	177,198	176,571	171,571	189,491	163,705	170,687	212,099	205,389	
New nonfarm mortgages recorded (\$20,000 and under), estimated total.....mil. of dol.....	1,793	1,804	1,990	2,027	2,086	2,122	2,156	2,148	2,267	2,024	1,958	2,455	2,357	
Nonfarm foreclosures [‡]number.....	2,275	2,189	2,339	2,230	2,108	2,365	2,079	2,181	2,224	2,305	2,189	2,595		
Fire losses.....thous. of dol.....	77,933	62,282	65,533	69,532	78,163	64,087	57,668	61,663	83,881	75,265	85,046	88,197	78,632	

DOMESTIC TRADE

ADVERTISING														
Printers' Ink advertising index, adjusted:														
Combined index.....1947-49=100..	165	167	173	170	168	169	167	178	174	182	181	182	179	
Business papers.....do.....	* 162	173	173	160	167	171	174	168	161	165	164	167	168	
Magazines.....do.....	134	133	144	128	126	132	133	140	141	137	140	141	145	
Newspapers.....do.....	* 162	159	164	157	161	156	155	170	160	182	182	186	178	
Outdoor.....do.....	138	146	147	152	138	156	143	163	162	144	132	152	149	
Radio (network).....do.....	* 66	59	56	64	60	60	50	55	53	60	57	54		
Television (network).....1950-52=100..	* 233	250	264	298	280	263	275	294	304	304	300	300	301	
Tide advertising index, unadjusted.....1947-49=100..	180.0	180.9	168.4	131.1	130.3	159.6	188.9	191.7	149.6	140.9	158.6	191.0	195.3	
Radio advertising:														
Cost of facilities, total.....thous. of dol.....	12,267	12,112	10,764	9,529	9,571	10,445	10,950	11,429	11,187	* 10,786	10,215	11,236		
Automotive, incl. accessories.....do.....	785	957	669	721	693	631	1,011	857	822	834	834	875		
Drugs and toiletries.....do.....	3,413	3,315	3,182	2,222	2,130	2,546	2,556	2,576	2,492	* 2,574	* 2,341	2,641		
Foods, soft drinks, confectionery.....do.....	2,648	2,476	2,361	2,453	2,326	2,608	2,537	2,578	2,481	* 2,353	* 2,343	2,532		
Soaps, cleansers, etc.....do.....	1,358	1,287	1,200	1,117	1,135	1,208	1,161	1,219	1,254	1,067	1,023	1,168		
Smoking materials.....do.....	812	867	709	575	613	771	1,021	977	1,023	957	883	965		
All other.....do.....	3,251	3,210	2,644	2,469	2,647	2,621	3,043	3,068	3,081	3,012	2,790	3,056		
Television advertising: [*]														
Cost of facilities, total.....do.....	25,347	25,536	22,945	23,660	26,198	31,671	32,075	33,560	* 33,446	* 31,279	34,594			
Automotive, including accessories.....do.....	2,331	2,476	2,268	1,969	1,934	1,932	2,837	3,432	3,306	3,239	3,239	3,725		
Drugs and toiletries.....do.....	4,397	4,630	5,073	5,182	5,504	6,053	7,202	6,721	7,357	* 7,727	* 6,835	7,657		
Foods, soft drinks, confectionery.....do.....	5,702	5,554	5,436	5,377	5,447	5,795	6,571	6,735	7,455	7,795	7,329	7,991		
Soaps, cleansers, etc.....do.....	2,952	2,996	2,882	2,484	2,798	3,054	3,145	3,296	3,453	3,333	3,228	3,728		
Smoking materials.....do.....	3,556	3,619	3,442	3,585	3,559	3,510	3,728	3,734	3,929	3,388	3,262	3,601		
All other.....do.....	6,409	6,648	5,434	4,348	4,266	5,855	8,278	8,307	8,139	* 7,636	* 7,271	7,993		
Magazine advertising: [†]														
Cost, total.....do.....	60,328	62,984	50,324	33,576	36,548	51,787	63,048	63,511	45,077	34,648	47,479	56,966		
Apparel and accessories.....do.....	5,609	5,514	3,238	814	4,202	6,399	5,712	4,728	3,340	1,856	3,025	4,852		
Automotive, incl. accessories.....do.....	5,416	6,329	4,972	3,714	3,787	3,162	3,262	5,878	3,714	4,177	4,523	5,308		
Building materials.....do.....	4,157	4,670	3,641	1,741	1,554	3,198	2,336	2,184	859	1,394	2,303	3,447		
Drugs and toiletries.....do.....	5,334	5,215	5,210	3,798	3,499	4,460	6,195	5,795	4,361	3,289	4,780	4,995		
Foods, soft drinks, confectionery.....do.....	6,953	6,672	6,695	5,457	5,357	5,999	8,885	8,477	6,472	5,234	7,390	7,916		
Beer, wine, liquors.....do.....	2,694	2,616	2,380	1,967	1,521	2,005	3,158	4,135	4,568	1,507	2,220	2,472		
Household equipment and supplies.....do.....	4,241	4,862	3,259	1,733	1,348	3,005	4,450	4,439	2,807	913	1,913	2,958		
Household furnishings.....do.....	3,358	3,426	1,762	681	1,001	2,510	3,690	2,948	1,510	1,291	1,726	2,657		
Industrial materials.....do.....	4,044	4,020	3,755	2,719	4,303	4,769								

SURVEY OF CURRENT BUSINESS

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	1954										1955				
	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	
DOMESTIC TRADE—Continued															
PERSONAL CONSUMPTION EXPENDITURES															
Seasonally adjusted quarterly totals at annual rates: [†]															
Goods and services, total—bill. of dol.			233.1			234.8			237.7				242.0		
Durable goods, total—do.			28.8			28.9			29.9				33.4		
Automobiles and parts—do.			12.6			12.4			13.1				15.5		
Furniture and household equipment—do.			12.4			12.6			12.8				13.9		
Nondurable goods, total—do.			120.0			121.1			122.1				122.1		
Clothing and shoes—do.			19.7			19.4			20.0				19.9		
Food and alcoholic beverages—do.			72.5			73.7			74.2				73.9		
Gasoline and oil—do.			7.0			7.0			7.1				7.2		
Services, total—do.			84.3			84.8			85.7				86.5		
Household operation—do.			12.1			12.2			12.3				12.5		
Housing—do.			29.3			29.5			29.8				30.2		
Transportation—do.			7.2			7.3			7.3				7.4		
RETAIL TRADE															
All retail stores:															
Estimated sales (unadjusted), total—mil. of dol.	14,324	14,246	14,658	14,390	13,896	14,139	14,665	14,531	17,872	13,279	12,762	14,704	15,622	115,323	
Durable-goods stores—do.	4,963	5,020	5,458	5,022	4,916	4,842	4,853	4,786	5,614	4,482	4,503	5,430	5,704		
Automotive group—do.	2,841	2,832	3,095	2,747	2,672	2,536	2,491	2,478	2,824	2,645	2,707	3,305	3,431	13,414	
Motor-vehicle, other auto dealers—do.	2,699	2,695	2,936	2,588	2,526	2,399	2,344	2,338	2,636	2,532	2,591	3,170	3,271		
Tire, battery, accessory dealers—do.	143	137	159	159	146	136	147	141	187	113	116	135	159		
Furniture and appliance group—do.	695	739	758	733	730	740	812	836	1,025	698	682	761	757	1,808	
Furniture, homefurnishings stores—do.	407	444	438	422	434	433	488	503	600	410	405	456	466		
Household-appliance, radio stores—do.	288	296	319	310	296	307	325	333	425	288	277	305	292		
Lumber, building, hardware group—do.	808	849	918	919	923	936	947	898	916	663	639	795	900		
Lumber, building-materials dealers—do.	587	620	686	687	707	706	704	652	597	493	480	599	672		
Hardware stores—do.	221	229	232	233	216	230	243	246	319	170	166	196	228		
Nondurable-goods stores—do.	9,361	9,227	9,200	9,368	8,980	9,296	9,812	9,744	12,258	8,797	8,260	9,274	9,917		
Apparel group—do.	949	821	852	722	681	847	911	920	1,448	693	602	796	798	1,844	
Men's and boys' wear stores—do.	198	184	204	154	133	164	192	211	354	149	130	155	194		
Women's apparel, accessory stores—do.	379	337	326	283	266	323	350	361	566	284	247	328	384		
Family and other apparel stores—do.	188	149	163	147	154	188	204	195	313	136	120	167	199		
Shoe stores—do.	185	152	159	138	128	172	165	152	215	125	106	146	209		
Drug and proprietary stores—do.	398	406	406	407	396	392	406	398	530	420	394	409	416	1,415	
Eating and drinking places—do.	1,035	1,100	1,134	1,221	1,207	1,156	1,139	1,067	1,113	1,013	950	1,026	1,080	11,150	
Food group—do.	3,422	3,447	3,385	3,689	3,374	3,475	3,661	3,452	3,920	3,398	3,253	3,527	3,689	1,3,471	
Grocery stores—do.	2,866	2,886	2,833	3,121	2,828	2,920	3,100	2,893	3,304	2,868	2,742	2,983	3,127	1,2,921	
Gasoline service stations—do.	903	955	989	1,052	1,026	975	1,017	994	1,008	949	873	944	988	1,033	
General-merchandise group—do.	1,567	1,478	1,514	1,334	1,424	1,543	1,686	1,821	2,850	1,244	1,171	1,464	1,650	1,1,568	
Department stores, excl. mail-order—do.	863	819	830	697	761	852	923	1,025	1,555	676	611	796	897	1,861	
Mail-order (catalog sales)—do.	94	86	96	77	95	103	107	140	173	83	85	107	94		
Variety stores—do.	249	222	231	228	231	225	255	265	549	186	190	219	278		
Other general-merchandise stores—do.	361	350	358	332	337	353	401	391	574	299	284	342	381		
Liquor stores—do.	260	262	250	280	264	276	283	287	458	248	240	256	266		
Estimated sales (adjusted), total—do.	14,242	14,044	14,439	14,272	14,150	14,214	14,071	14,361	15,123	14,864	14,765	15,060	15,247		
Durable-goods stores—do.	4,882	4,730	5,024	4,911	4,770	4,798	4,689	4,948	5,320	5,143	5,209	5,458	5,524		
Automotive group—do.	2,728	2,581	2,826	2,640	2,571	2,564	2,485	2,685	3,054	2,844	2,900	3,169	3,204		
Motor-vehicle, other auto dealers—do.	2,582	2,449	2,682	2,490	2,430	2,434	2,348	2,547	2,904	2,700	2,841	3,020	3,044		
Tire, battery, accessory dealers—do.	146	132	144	150	141	131	137	138	150	143	149	160			
Furniture and appliance group—do.	777	709	740	775	724	728	752	744	766	805	810	836	837		
Furniture, homefurnishings stores—do.	440	436	423	447	415	426	444	448	475	488	496	496	504		
Household-appliance, radio stores—do.	337	333	317	328	310	302	308	296	290	317	314	340	334		
Lumber, building, hardware group—do.	781	800	818	846	864	867	875	905	909	879	836	863	890		
Lumber, building-materials dealers—do.	566	582	598	614	644	645	648	674	668	647	623	645	661		
Hardware stores—do.	215	217	220	231	219	222	227	231	241	232	213	219	229		
Nondurable-goods stores—do.	9,360	9,313	9,415	9,361	9,380	9,417	9,382	9,412	9,803	9,722	9,556	9,602	9,723		
Apparel group—do.	876	822	885	855	823	820	812	823	912	889	870	867	889		
Men's and boys' wear stores—do.	200	194	207	184	178	177	173	173	188	184	188	183	194		
Women's apparel, accessory stores—do.	340	330	354	348	315	311	309	330	374	356	338	334	342		
Family and other apparel stores—do.	182	160	179	178	190	183	175	166	177	180	183	193	183		
Shoe stores—do.	153	138	146	145	140	149	155	154	173	169	161	157	169		
Drug and proprietary stores—do.	416	410	412	403	404	410	407	411	413	425	412	418	427		
Eating and drinking places—do.	1,105	1,102	1,128	1,141	1,107	1,106	1,085	1,070	1,070	1,092	1,085	1,083	1,141		
Food group—do.	3,366	3,434	3,434	3,443	3,497	3,570	3,522	3,494	3,657	3,560	3,577	3,602	3,520		
Grocery stores—do.	2,835	2,872	2,860	2,887	2,927	2,922	2,966	2,944	3,103	3,007	3,010	3,053	2,980		
Gasoline service stations—do.	938	954	955	955	969	950	982	985	974	1,023	998	1,007	1,023		
General-merchandise group—do.	1,606	1,539	1,581	1,569	1,576	1,565	1,570	1,669	1,654	1,584	1,615	1,677			
Department stores, excl. mail-order—do.	857	840	854	862	854	849	867	870	904	902	849	861	912		
Mail-order (catalog sales)—do.	104	100	103	104	101	100	98	101	107	106	104	112	104		
Variety stores—do.	250	234	249	250	256	257	247	258	255	269	254	258	268		
Other general-merchandise stores—do.	394	365	374	353	364	359	353	341	374	377	384	393			
Liquor stores—do.	292	270	280	277	291	283	266	266	281	290	277	277	273		
Estimated inventories:															
Unadjusted, total—do.	23,350	23,020	22,130	21,840	22,140	22,500	22,630	23,270	20,670	20,970	22,010	23,520	23,570		
Durable-goods stores—do.	11,080	10,900	10,490	10,240	10,160	9,890	9,570	9,840	9,240	9,700	10,270	10,950	11,280		
Nondurable-goods stores—do.	12,270	12,120	11,640	11,600	11,980	12,610	13,060	13,430	11,430	11,270	11,740	12,570	12,290		
Adjusted, total—do.	22,690	22,800	22,600	22,400	22,450	22,430	22,000	22,080	22,090	22,210	22,360	22,590	22,770		
Durable-goods stores—do.	10,410	10,500	10,380	10,190	10,290	10,230	9,970	10,030	10,080	10,160	10,330	10,450	10,550		
Automotive group—do.	3,770	3,820	3,750	3,670	3,740	3,660	3,360	3,390	3,430	3,650	3,770	3,900	3,970		
Furniture and appliance group—do.	1														

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	1954										1955				
	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	
DOMESTIC TRADE—Continued															
RETAIL TRADE—Continued															
All retail stores—Continued															
Firms with 11 or more stores:															
Estimated sales (unadjusted), total... mil. of dol.	12,687	12,603	12,605	12,643	12,470	12,598	12,802	12,743	13,718	12,316	12,255	12,632	12,906	12,212	
Apparel group.....	212	165	171	139	131	170	183	186	296	126	113	174	17		
Men's and boys' wear stores.....	18	14	16	11	10	13	17	20	32	12	10	14	17		
Women's apparel, accessory stores.....	81	66	65	58	55	62	68	71	119	48	44	67	81		
Shoe stores.....	73	57	61	52	47	63	61	54	86	41	37	56	79		
Drug and proprietary stores.....	62	61	61	63	60	60	64	61	92	60	57	60	64		
Eating and drinking places.....	54	55	57	58	58	57	57	54	58	53	50	56	56		
Furniture, homefurnishings stores.....	27	32	28	28	29	28	33	32	32	23	24	32	26		
General-merchandise group.....	737	697	729	655	692	732	797	848	1,360	565	536	687	807		
Department stores.....	346	347	354	314	321	355	380	385	570	267	240	327	389		
Dry-goods, other general-merchandise stores.....	108	96	104	94	104	98	120	125	203	80	73	93	116		
Variety stores.....	198	174	182	175	178	184	199	210	425	140	144	170	215		
Grocery stores.....	1,128	1,114	1,069	1,206	1,029	1,077	1,183	1,081	1,288	1,083	1,071	1,166	1,233		
Lumber, building-materials dealers.....	60	64	70	70	72	75	71	68	58	50	54	61	68		
Tire, battery, accessory stores.....	50	49	59	58	49	49	51	49	74	42	42	49	57		
Estimated sales (adjusted), total.....	12,613	12,595	12,619	12,652	12,655	12,654	12,607	12,660	12,798	12,754	12,717	12,778	12,774	12,755	
Apparel group.....	175	160	167	164	166	168	168	177	188	181	169	178	175		
Men's and boys' wear stores.....	16	14	16	15	16	16	15	17	18	15	15	15	15		
Women's apparel, accessory stores.....	69	63	66	67	65	63	64	67	73	69	66	68	70		
Shoe stores.....	56	53	54	54	55	57	59	59	62	62	56	61	60		
Drug and proprietary stores.....	64	63	63	64	63	64	63	63	66	63	63	66	66		
Eating and drinking places.....	55	54	55	55	55	55	54	57	57	56	57	57	57		
Furniture, homefurnishings stores.....	29	28	28	31	29	29	30	27	27	31	30	28			
General-merchandise group.....	736	702	740	730	748	745	722	745	820	812	758	802	795		
Department stores.....	344	322	338	336	345	351	334	345	385	393	357	380	379		
Dry-goods, other general-merchandise stores.....	105	99	106	107	109	102	105	107	120	114	107	115	112		
Variety stores.....	192	187	199	199	200	199	193	200	216	206	197	205	205		
Grocery stores.....	1,088	1,120	1,098	1,128	1,119	1,120	1,108	1,116	1,154	1,127	1,164	1,168	1,170		
Lumber, building-materials dealers.....	60	62	62	63	63	64	61	67	70	66	70	70	69		
Tire, battery, accessory stores.....	51	48	52	54	49	51	52	50	52	55	55	55	58		
Department stores:															
Accounts receivable, end of month:															
Charge accounts..... 1947-49=100	131	130	130	117	117	127	135	150	200	163	140	132	137		
Installment accounts.....	236	233	232	226	228	231	238	240	277	276	268	266	267		
Ratio of collections to accounts receivable:															
Charge accounts..... percent	45	46	47	45	45	46	47	48	46	44	43	48	44		
Installment accounts 9.....	14	14	14	14	13	13	14	13	14	14	14	15	15		
Sales by type of payment:															
Cast sales..... percent of total sales	46	47	46	47	46	45	44	45	47	45	45	44	45		
Charge account sales.....	44	43	44	42	43	44	44	44	43	43	43	44	44		
Installment sales.....	10	10	11	11	11	12	11	10	12	12	12	11	11		
Sales, unadjusted, total U. S.‡..... 1947-49=100	110	106	106	88	98	113	118	137	200	91	88	100	114	115	
Atlanta.....	130	120	114	106	115	123	141	154	234	106	108	129	141		
Boston.....	108	122	106	77	83	115	110	133	200	90	82	90	108		
Chicago.....	109	108	108	86	98	113	114	133	188	88	84	98	114		
Cleveland.....	104	98	100	82	94	105	111	134	192	87	84	94	113		
Dallas.....	122	119	112	111	115	121	135	147	225	167	161	170	136		
Kansas City.....	112	110	110	99	107	116	122	133	205	94	89	104	123		
Minneapolis.....	102	104	96	84	99	111	124	120	180	80	81	88	108		
New York.....	99	98	99	73	80	106	110	132	184	84	81	91	97		
Philadelphia.....	109	104	104	78	85	111	113	146	197	85	83	101	109		
Richmond.....	124	114	113	93	102	122	130	153	231	91	90	111	125		
St. Louis.....	112	106	110	89	100	111	123	137	193	93	90	101	117		
San Francisco.....	107	107	105	100	111	112	116	134	209	97	93	112	112		
Sales, adjusted, total U. S.‡.....	111	108	112	111	112	108	113	114	117	118	112	113	119	117	
Atlanta.....	128	122	129	132	131	121	138	135	136	137	131	133	142		
Boston.....	105	102	106	107	104	109	110	111	114	109	105	107	107		
Chicago.....	111	108	110	106	108	106	111	110	115	114	109	111	120		
Cleveland.....	104	98	107	105	108	101	106	109	116	113	109	104	113		
Dallas.....	123	123	127	132	127	114	129	130	134	135	125	131	140		
Kansas City.....	115	110	117	121	116	110	118	116	123	126	113	116	129		
Minneapolis.....	101	104	103	105	101	101	106	104	113	111	105	104	108		
New York.....	100	100	102	101	105	102	105	105	105	106	100	103	101		
Philadelphia.....	110	105	109	109	107	107	105	111	113	112	109	111	115		
Richmond.....	122	115	120	117	120	115	124	124	133	124	119	128	129		
St. Louis.....	115	106	122	112	110	104	112	115	118	120	113	116	122		
San Francisco.....	111	114	114	115	115	110	116	114	118	124	115	116	122		
Stocks, total U. S., end of month:‡															
Unadjusted.....	127	126	117	116	120	129	138	139	110	111	117	128	130		
Adjusted.....	120	121	122	124	124	125	124	124	124	123	121	123	123		
Mail-order and store sales:															
Total sales, 2 companies..... thous. of dol.	333,200	335,726	352,655	313,704	327,837	345,570	370,634	384,428	523,056	265,312	242,847	319,249	376,049	370,491	
Montgomery Ward & Co.....	83,562	78,109	81,318	69,881	77,591	81,298	88,435	93,531	131,875	53,456	52,271	76,420	88,607	84,767	
Sears, Roebuck & Co.....	249,647	257,617	271,337	243,822	250,247	264,272	282,199	290,898	391,181	212,856	190,576	242,829	287,442	285,725	
WHOLESALE TRADE															
Sales, estimated (unadj.), total..... mil. of dol.	8,751	8,526	9,465	9,515	9,461	9,632	9,469	9,627	9,596	8,686	8,454	9,698	9,172		
Durable-goods establishments.....	2,902	2,781	3,060	2,872	2,984	3,089	3,095	3,023	3,007	2,719	2,798	3,271	3,219		
Nondurable-goods establishments.....	5,849	5,745	6,405	6,643	6,477	6,543	6,374	6,604	6,589	5,967	5,656	6,427	5,953		
Inventories, estimated (unadj.), total..... do.	11,601	11,553	11,488	11,503	11,627	11,752	11,944	11,916	11,562	11,738	11,768	11,622	11,612		
Durable-goods establishments.....	6,022	6,040	5,881	5,720	5,712	5,642	5,641	5,611	5,400	5,651	5,846	5,939	6,004		
Nondurable-goods establishments.....	5,579	5,513	5,607	5,783	5,915	6,110	6,303	6,102	6,087	5,922	5,683	5,608			

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EMPLOYMENT AND POPULATION															
POPULATION															
Population, continental United States:															
Total, incl. Armed Forces overseas [†] thousands	161,762	161,966	162,184	162,409	162,667	162,945	163,210	163,465	163,699	163,930	164,158	164,367	164,595	164,799	
EMPLOYMENT															
Noninstitutional population, estimated number 14 years of age and over, total thousands	115,987	116,083	116,153	116,217	116,329	116,432	116,547	116,644	116,763	116,855	116,901	117,051	117,130	117,236	
Total labor force, including Armed Forces do	67,438	67,786	68,788	68,824	68,856	68,566	68,190	67,909	66,811	66,700	66,550	66,840	67,784	68,256	
Civilian labor force, total do	64,063	64,425	65,445	65,494	65,522	65,244	64,882	64,624	63,526	63,497	63,321	63,654	64,647	65,192	
Employed do	60,598	61,119	62,098	62,148	62,277	62,145	62,141	61,732	60,688	60,150	59,938	60,477	61,685	62,703	
Agricultural employment do	6,076	6,822	7,628	7,486	6,928	7,527	7,239	6,154	5,325	5,297	5,084	5,692	6,215	6,963	
Nonagricultural employment do	54,522	54,297	54,470	54,661	55,349	54,618	54,902	55,577	55,363	54,853	54,854	54,785	55,470	55,740	
Unemployed do	3,465	3,305	3,347	3,347	3,245	3,100	2,741	2,893	3,347	3,383	3,176	2,962	2,489		
Not in labor force do	48,549	48,297	47,365	47,393	47,473	47,865	48,357	48,735	49,952	50,156	50,352	50,212	49,346	48,979	
Employees in nonagricultural establishments: ♀															
Total, unadjusted (U. S. Dept. of Labor) do	48,069	47,939	48,200	47,866	48,123	48,490	48,580	48,808	49,463	47,741	47,753	48,212	48,641	48,889	
Manufacturing do	15,948	15,781	15,835	15,584	15,822	15,972	16,007	16,057	16,050	15,925	16,060	16,201	16,260	16,321	
Durable-goods industries do	9,207	9,095	9,066	8,811	8,820	8,887	9,002	9,121	9,144	9,113	9,220	9,323	9,421	9,495	
Nondurable-goods industries do	6,741	6,686	6,769	6,773	7,002	7,085	7,005	6,936	6,812	6,840	6,839	6,878	6,839	6,820	
Mining, total do	772	761	771	760	763	744	743	749	747	741	737	739	739	740	
Metal do	99	100	100	101	99	90	91	94	93	94	94	95	95	96	
Anthracite do	45	37	36	34	35	34	43	44	43	43	40	38			
Bituminous coal do	228	221	222	210	215	213	211	212	212	211	210	208	208	205	
Crude-petroleum and natural-gas production thousands	296	298	305	308	306	300	292	294	296	294	293	294			
Nonmetallic mining and quarrying do	104	106	107	108	108	107	106	106	104	100	100	102	105	104	
Contract construction do	2,452	2,542	2,629	2,686	2,735	2,698	2,652	2,598	2,426	2,237	2,169	2,255	2,396	2,537	
Transportation and public utilities do	3,991	3,993	4,017	4,029	4,018	4,023	4,005	3,986	3,996	3,927	3,937	3,966	3,941	3,987	
Interstate railroads do	1,202	1,212	1,225	1,228	1,220	1,220	1,203	1,186	1,187	1,153	1,152	1,156			
Local railways and bus lines do	130	128	127	127	126	125	124	123	123	122	121	120			
Telephone do	700	699	699	705	703	696	694	694	693	693	696	700			
Telegraph do	42	41	41	41	41	41	41	41	42	41	41	41			
Gas and electric utilities do	553	553	560	565	565	561	556	555	553	553	553	554			
Wholesale and retail trade do	10,474	10,351	10,389	10,351	10,321	10,447	10,321	10,745	11,354	10,419	10,309	10,408	10,543	10,519	
Wholesale trade do	2,768	2,750	2,761	2,784	2,784	2,784	2,789	2,849	2,860	2,817	2,806	2,813	2,803	2,806	
Retail trade do	7,706	7,601	7,628	7,567	7,537	7,658	7,729	7,896	8,494	7,602	7,503	7,595	7,740	7,713	
General-merchandise stores do	1,400	1,331	1,316	1,281	1,280	1,349	1,398	1,518	1,903	1,327	1,269	1,305	1,363	1,331	
Food and liquor stores do	1,445	1,443	1,449	1,442	1,434	1,444	1,460	1,472	1,494	1,462	1,467	1,471	1,479	1,483	
Automotive and accessories dealers do	764	763	765	764	760	753	749	754	767	749	749	755	762	761	
Finance, insurance, and real estate do	2,096	2,103	2,128	2,150	2,151	2,141	2,136	2,134	2,136	2,124	2,132	2,150	2,161	2,172	
Service and miscellaneous do	5,611	5,672	5,715	5,755	5,750	5,719	5,660	5,622	5,588	5,533	5,536	5,571	5,674	5,732	
Hotels and lodging places do	483	497	522	580	579	512	474	466	463	456	462	468			
Laundries do	331	334	337	338	332	329	330	328	327	326	324	325			
Cleaning and dyeing plants do	166	166	167	162	156	157	160	158	155	153	150	154			
Government do	6,725	6,736	6,716	6,551	6,563	6,746	6,829	6,917	7,166	6,835	6,873	6,922	6,927	6,881	
Total, adjusted ♀ do	48,267	48,183	48,170	48,048	48,029	48,020	48,129	48,386	48,380	48,398	48,440	48,766	48,878	49,184	
Manufacturing do	16,072	15,985	15,942	15,723	15,688	15,739	15,835	15,972	15,992	15,993	16,091	16,229	16,384	16,531	
Durable-goods industries do	9,191	9,115	9,070	8,912	8,856	8,881	8,975	9,082	9,105	9,124	9,211	9,300	9,406	9,517	
Nondurable-goods industries do	6,881	6,870	6,821	6,832	6,880	6,880	6,887	6,889	6,889	6,889	6,880	6,929	6,978	7,014	
Mining do	776	769	767	768	755	740	743	745	743	741	741	739	743	747	
Contract construction do	2,554	2,542	2,528	2,534	2,532	2,521	2,502	2,522	2,476	2,458	2,410	2,478	2,496	2,537	
Transportation and public utilities do	3,998	3,906	4,001	4,000	3,980	4,007	3,995	3,976	3,986	3,974	3,984	3,986	3,948	3,990	
Wholesale and retail trade do	10,502	10,470	10,455	10,480	10,475	10,447	10,443	10,496	10,575	10,547	10,541	10,633	10,594	10,640	
Finance, insurance, and real estate do	2,096	2,103	2,107	2,118	2,119	2,141	2,147	2,145	2,147	2,145	2,147	2,161	2,161	2,172	
Service and miscellaneous do	5,611	5,616	5,631	5,670	5,665	5,634	5,660	5,650	5,644	5,646	5,646	5,656	5,674	5,675	
Government do	6,658	6,702	6,739	6,745	6,806	6,791	6,804	6,880	6,817	6,867	6,870	6,884	6,878	6,892	
Production workers in manufacturing industries: ♀															
Total (U. S. Dept. of Labor) thousands	12,548	12,394	12,437	12,179	12,418	12,577	12,612	12,657	12,645	12,523	12,649	12,778	12,828	12,879	
Durable-goods industries do	7,266	7,163	7,130	6,876	6,890	6,965	7,081	7,198	7,218	7,182	7,282	7,375	7,467	7,537	
Ordnance and accessories do	122	112	107	104	101	102	100	98	97	96	94	94	91	90	
Lumber and wood products (except furniture) thousands	627	654	674	583	592	672	692	685	661	631	639	634	649	677	
Sawmills and planing mills do	345	355	366	318	325	371	374	369	360	350	353	353			
Furniture and fixtures do	285	279	277	275	290	298	301	301	297	293	296	298	297	295	
Stone, clay, and glass products do	428	427	427	424	434	437	438	438	437	430	434	442	440	450	
Glass and glassware, pressed or blown do	78	78	78	74	76	76	76	76	75	74	75	77			
Primary metal industries do	990	974	982	969	967	965	969	988	1,002	1,013	1,032	1,057	1,080	1,099	
Blast furnaces, steel works, and rolling mills thousands	491	483	488	485	484	485	487	481	493	498	508	523			
Primary smelting and refining of nonferrous metals thousands	51	51	52	52	52	50	49	53	53	53	53	53			
Fabricated metal prod. (except ordnance, machinery, transportation equipment) thousands	838	832	831	809	820	821	829	844	843	834	844	860	871	876	
Heating apparatus (except electrical) and plumbers' supplies thousands	93	93	96	94	100	102	103	103	100	97	100	102			
Machinery (except electrical) do															

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EMPLOYMENT AND POPULATION—Continued

EMPLOYMENT—Continued

Production workers in mfg. industries ♀—Continued
Total (U. S. Dept. of Labor)—Continued

Nondurable-goods industries	5,282	5,231	5,307	5,303	5,528	5,612	5,531	5,459	5,427	5,341	5,367	5,403	5,361	p 5,342
Food and kindred products	1,016	1,037	1,086	1,152	1,238	1,268	1,180	1,111	1,062	1,007	985	991	1,011	p 1,030
Meat products	241	239	247	246	251	257	262	264	264	256	250	248	248	—
Dairy products	79	83	87	87	85	80	76	75	72	72	73	74	74	—
Canning and preserving	140	149	172	235	320	347	244	179	151	135	125	130	130	—
Bakery products	174	172	174	176	174	173	175	175	173	168	169	167	167	—
Beverages	117	122	127	133	127	122	119	118	114	107	105	109	109	—
Tobacco manufactures	82	82	82	83	102	110	112	103	100	91	89	83	79	p 79
Textile-mill products	972	961	973	946	974	978	979	983	983	977	985	985	982	p 966
Broad-woven fabric mills	445	440	445	430	440	440	440	440	443	444	446	446	446	—
Knitting mills	192	192	197	192	202	204	204	204	200	192	196	198	198	—
Apparel and other finished textile products	1,033	988	990	984	1,054	1,059	1,057	1,060	1,073	1,069	1,101	1,110	1,058	p 1,044
Men's and boys' suits and coats	107	102	105	103	112	111	106	101	108	108	110	110	—	—
Men's and boys' furnishings and work clothing	271	265	267	252	273	278	281	282	277	276	285	290	—	—
Women's outerwear	314	287	284	296	317	312	305	315	332	335	343	343	—	—
Paper and allied products	435	435	439	433	439	445	444	444	442	437	427	439	440	p 442
Plum, paper, and paperboard mills	220	221	223	220	222	224	222	222	223	221	222	222	222	—
Printing, publishing, and allied industries	513	511	514	508	509	518	520	518	519	512	516	517	516	—
Newspapers	145	146	147	144	144	146	147	147	148	146	145	146	146	—
Commercial printing	168	167	168	167	167	170	170	169	172	170	170	171	171	—
Chemicals and allied products	537	529	521	517	520	529	534	533	534	534	535	548	553	p 547
Industrial organic chemicals	202	201	201	201	201	201	202	205	206	207	209	212	212	—
Products of petroleum and coal	176	179	181	181	179	177	175	173	172	169	170	172	173	p 174
Petroleum refining	137	138	140	141	139	137	135	134	133	132	132	132	132	—
Rubber products	192	194	196	171	175	196	202	202	207	209	212	211	211	p 214
Tires and inner tubes	80	81	82	65	66	83	84	81	85	85	87	87	87	—
Leather and leather products	325	316	324	328	338	331	330	332	335	336	345	347	338	p 331
Footwear (except rubber)	218	211	217	218	224	217	213	216	222	225	228	228	228	—

Production workers in manufacturing industries, adjusted: ♀

Total	12,663	12,590	12,546	12,337	12,297	12,346	12,445	12,572	12,580	12,586	12,673	12,798	p 12,948	p 13,078
Durable-goods industries	7,250	7,182	7,136	6,979	6,928	6,957	7,054	7,159	7,177	7,191	7,259	7,350	p 7,455	p 7,557
Nondurable-goods industries	5,413	5,408	5,410	5,358	5,369	5,389	5,391	5,413	5,403	5,395	5,404	5,448	p 5,493	p 5,521

Production workers in manufacturing industries: ♀

Indexes of employment:	Unadjusted	1947-49=100	101.4	100.2	100.5	98.5	100.4	101.7	102.0	102.3	102.2	101.2	102.3	p 103.3
	Adjusted	do	102.4	101.8	101.4	99.7	99.4	99.8	100.6	101.6	101.7	101.8	102.5	p 104.7

Miscellaneous employment data:

Federal civilian employees (executive branch): ♂	2,141.4	2,134.0	2,137.6	2,135.4	2,130.9	2,115.9	2,121.3	2,138.7	2,431.1	2,113.2	2,116.4	2,122.1	2,127.4	—
United States, continental	206.7	205.7	207.7	207.4	206.4	204.7	205.5	206.0	209.8	206.1	207.0	207.5	207.3	—
Washington, D. C., metropolitan area	do	—												

Railway employees (class I steam railways):

Total	1,081	1,091	1,104	1,107	1,099	1,092	1,083	1,064	1,059	1,037	1,033	1,035	1,037	—
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Indexes: †

Unadjusted	1947-49=100	81.6	82.4	83.3	83.6	83.0	82.5	81.8	80.4	79.8	78.2	78.0	78.1	p 78.2
Adjusted	do	82.7	81.2	81.5	81.8	81.5	82.3	83.5	82.2	81.5	77.5	78.1	78.1	p 79.3

PAYROLLS

Manufacturing production-worker payroll index, unadjusted (U. S. Dept. of Labor) ♀ 1947-49=100	134.5	134.6	135.8	131.9	134.8	138.0	139.1	142.2	143.1	141.5	144.4	146.9	146.5	p 149.7
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LABOR CONDITIONS

Average weekly hours per worker (U. S. Dept. of Labor): ♀

All manufacturing industries	39.0	39.3	39.5	39.4	39.7	39.7	39.9	40.2	40.5	40.2	40.4	40.7	40.2	p 40.7
Durable-goods industries	39.7	39.9	40.0	39.7	40.1	40.1	40.4	40.8	41.1	40.9	41.1	41.1	41.1	p 41.7
Ordnance and accessories	39.7	40.0	40.1	40.1	40.1	40.1	40.5	40.7	40.7	40.0	40.4	40.4	40.4	p 40.7
Lumber and wood products (except furniture)	40.2	39.9	40.9	40.8	41.5	40.6	41.5	41.1	40.8	40.7	40.8	40.7	41.1	p 41.4
Sawmills and planing mills	40.6	40.5	41.2	41.7	42.2	41.7	41.9	41.5	40.9	40.7	41.2	41.7	41.7	—
Furniture and fixtures	39.1	38.8	39.6	39.4	40.6	40.8	41.2	40.9	41.4	40.5	41.3	41.3	41.3	p 41.1
Stone, clay, and glass products	40.2	40.4	40.5	40.3	40.7	40.7	41.2	41.2	41.1	40.6	40.6	41.2	41.1	p 41.5
Glass and glassware, pressed or blown	38.3	39.0	38.8	38.4	39.1	39.3	39.7	39.2	39.5	39.3	39.6	39.6	39.6	—
Primary metal industries	38.0	38.4	38.8	38.3	38.4	38.5	38.9	39.5	40.0	40.4	41.1	41.1	41.1	p 41.6
Blast furnaces, steel works, and rolling mills	37.1	37.6	38.0	37.5	37.3	37.4	37.7	38.8	39.1	39.7	39.8	40.4	40.4	—
Primary smelting and refining of nonferrous metals	39.8	40.0	40.3	39.8	40.3	39.4	40.0	40.3	40.5	40.6	40.4	40.4	40.4	—
Fabricated metal prod. (except ordnance, machinery, transportation equipment)	40.1	40.7	40.7	40.0	40.5	40.7	40.9	41.2	41.6	41.1	41.2	41.4	41.2	p 41.7
Heating apparatus (except electrical) and plumbers' supplies	38.4	39.4	40.1	39.1	40.4	40.0	40.7	40.1	40.2	39.3	39.8	40.2	40.2	p 41.4
Machinery (except electrical)	40.5	40.6	40.5	40.1	40.2	40.3	40.2	40.4	40.9	40.8	41.0	41.4	41.5	p 42.0
Electrical machinery	39.2	39.5	39.6	39.3	39.8	40.1	40.4	40.7	40.5	40.3	40.4	40.6	40.5	p 40.9
Transportation equipment	40.2	40.6	39.9	39.8	40.2	40.0	40.4	41.8	42.5	42.1	42.4	42.6	41.8	p 42.7
Automobiles	40.4	40.9	39.3	39.2	40.0	39.8	40.6	42.9	44.0	43.0	43.8	44.2	44.2	—
Aircraft and parts	40.5	40.7	40.8	40.7	40.8	40.8	40.7	41.2						

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All manufacturing industries, etc.—Continued

	April	May	June	July	August	Septem- ber	October	Novem- ber	Decem- ber	Janu- ary	Febru- ary	March	April	May
Nondurable-goods industries ⁹	38.1	38.5	38.9	39.0	30.2	39.3	39.2	39.5	30.8	39.3	39.5	39.7	39.0	p 39.4
Food and kindred products	40.2	40.8	41.4	41.5	41.2	41.5	40.9	41.2	41.4	40.8	40.5	40.6	40.3	p 41.0
Meat products	39.5	40.4	41.0	41.7	40.9	41.2	41.5	42.8	42.8	41.7	40.0	40.5	40.5	
Dairy products	43.3	43.4	44.6	44.6	43.2	43.6	43.5	42.4	42.8	43.3	43.3	43.4		
Canning and preserving	36.3	38.1	38.6	39.4	40.6	40.8	38.5	36.7	38.2	37.7	38.2	38.4		
Bakery products	40.9	41.0	41.4	41.1	40.8	41.0	40.7	40.6	40.4	39.9	39.5	39.4	39.7	40.3
Beverages	40.5	40.3	41.1	41.5	40.6	40.6	40.4	39.9	39.5	39.4	39.7	40.3		
Tobacco manufactures	36.3	37.3	38.3	37.9	38.5	39.4	40.1	36.9	38.4	37.7	37.0	37.7	37.1	p 37.7
Textile-mill products	37.1	37.3	37.8	37.8	38.5	38.6	39.2	39.8	40.2	39.6	40.0	39.9	38.8	p 39.3
Broad-woven fabric mills	37.2	37.1	37.6	37.8	38.4	38.7	39.5	40.3	40.6	39.9	40.1	40.0		
Knitting mills	35.4	36.1	36.9	36.6	37.6	37.5	38.3	38.5	38.3	37.4	38.2	38.2		

Apparel and other finished textile products

	hours	34.3	34.9	35.0	35.2	36.2	35.9	35.7	36.1	36.3	36.0	36.7	37.2	35.6	
Men's and boys' suits and coats	do	32.9	32.9	34.0	35.5	35.0	35.4	32.9	33.8	36.0	35.5	36.6	37.1		
Men's and boys' furnishings and work clothing	hours	34.6	34.8	35.4	35.5	36.9	36.7	36.8	36.5	36.2	36.0	37.1	37.3		
Women's outerwear	do	33.8	34.8	33.7	34.1	35.2	34.1	33.6	34.9	35.7	35.6	35.9	36.4		
Paper and allied products	do	41.6	42.1	42.4	42.4	42.6	42.6	42.7	42.8	42.7	42.3	42.5	42.7	p 42.7	
Pulp, paper, and paperboard mills	do	42.8	43.2	43.6	43.8	43.6	43.6	43.7	43.8	43.8	43.7	43.8	43.9		
Printing, publishing, and allied industries	hours	38.1	38.2	38.3	38.3	38.5	38.6	38.4	38.5	39.0	38.4	38.8	38.6	p 38.9	
Newspapers	do	35.9	36.1	36.1	35.8	35.6	36.0	36.0	36.0	36.8	35.2	35.5	35.9		
Commercial printing	do	39.3	39.1	39.0	39.5	39.4	39.4	39.5	40.2	39.6	39.8	40.2			
Chemicals and allied products	do	41.1	40.9	41.2	40.9	40.9	41.2	41.2	41.3	41.4	41.1	41.2	41.4	p 41.1	
Industrial organic chemicals	do	40.3	40.5	41.0	40.5	40.5	40.9	40.6	40.9	41.0	40.7	40.8	41.0		
Products of petroleum and coal	do	40.3	41.2	41.4	41.1	41.0	41.2	40.6	40.9	40.6	40.8	40.2	40.6	40.8	p 41.1
Petroleum refining	do	40.2	41.0	41.0	40.8	40.7	40.6	40.4	40.8	40.6	40.9	40.2	40.2		
Rubber products	do	38.8	39.7	40.2	39.4	39.1	39.3	40.4	41.1	41.8	41.3	41.3	40.9	41.8	p 41.1
Tires and inner tubes	do	37.9	39.4	40.2	38.5	37.4	38.3	39.3	40.4	41.6	41.1	40.7	40.2		
Leather and leather products	do	35.6	35.4	36.7	37.5	37.4	36.2	35.7	37.0	37.8	37.9	38.8	38.6	p 36.4	
Footwear (except rubber)	do	34.9	34.5	35.9	37.2	36.9	35.1	34.3	35.9	37.2	37.5	38.5	38.1		

Nonmanufacturing industries:⁹

Mining:															
Metal	do	39.7	39.9	40.6	40.3	40.8	40.2	40.1	40.6	41.7	42.8	42.0	42.1		
Anthracite	do	26.2	25.4	36.3	29.2	33.0	23.6	34.1	33.7	35.1	31.9	36.3	32.2		
Bituminous coal	do	28.9	30.9	33.2	30.4	33.1	32.6	35.3	35.6	37.1	37.1	37.8	36.8		
Crude-petroleum and natural-gas production:															
Petroleum and natural-gas production	hours	40.2	41.3	40.1	40.6	41.4	40.8	40.2	40.2	40.3	41.7	39.9	40.3		
Nonmetallic mining and quarrying	do	43.4	44.5	44.9	45.2	45.1	44.7	44.9	44.4	43.4	42.4	41.6	44.0		
Contract construction	do	37.0	37.5	38.1	38.1	38.0	36.8	37.4	36.7	36.4	35.4	35.3	36.6		
Nonbuilding construction	do	39.3	40.6	41.8	42.3	41.9	39.9	40.4	40.3	38.4	36.8	37.9	39.5		
Building construction	do	36.4	36.7	37.1	36.9	37.0	36.0	36.6	35.8	36.0	35.1	34.7	36.0		
Transportation and public utilities:															
Local railways and bus lines [†]	do	43.1	43.3	43.7	42.9	43.0	42.7	42.8	42.5	43.2	42.5	42.9	42.7		
Telephone	do	38.2	38.5	38.7	39.2	38.9	40.0	39.8	39.7	39.3	38.9	39.0	38.9		
Telegraph	do	42.1	42.1	41.7	41.7	41.8	41.9	42.1	41.5	41.4	41.3	41.5			
Gas and electric utilities	do	41.0	41.0	41.2	41.5	41.3	41.7	42.0	41.4	41.4	40.9	40.8			
Wholesale and retail trade:															
Wholesale trade	do	40.2	40.4	40.4	40.4	40.4	40.4	40.5	40.4	40.8	40.4	40.3	40.5		
Retail trade (except eating and drinking places)	hours	39.1	38.9	39.3	39.8	39.7	39.1	38.9	38.7	39.5	38.9	38.9	38.8		
General-merchandise stores	do	35.5	34.7	35.3	36.2	36.0	35.2	34.9	34.6	37.1	35.3	35.1			
Food and liquor stores	do	38.3	38.0	38.8	39.6	39.3	38.7	38.0	38.1	38.4	38.0	37.9	37.7		
Automotive and accessories dealers	do	44.5	44.3	44.4	44.4	44.3	44.2	44.2	44.4	44.0	44.2	44.4			
Service and miscellaneous:															
Hotels, year-round	do	41.7	41.8	41.9	41.7	41.8	41.9	41.7	42.0	41.8	42.1	41.8	41.7		
Laundries	do	40.4	40.3	40.5	40.0	39.4	40.1	40.5	40.0	40.3	40.0	39.8	40.1		
Cleaning and dyeing plants	do	42.0	40.1	41.0	38.8	38.2	39.7	40.1	39.3	39.5	39.0	38.0	39.2		

Industrial disputes (strikes and lock-outs):

Beginning in month:															
Work stoppages	number	330	384	358	370	328	315	285	220	153	225	250	300	325	
Workers involved	thousands	113	208	196	238	143	126	164	71	29	50	90	165	210	
In effect during month:															
Work stoppages	number	501	559	577	580	525	526	488	387	293	325	380	450	500	
Workers involved	thousands	187	244	281	376	300	304	259	129	78	80	125	220	310	
Man-days idle during month	do	1,220	2,010	2,390	3,800	2,740	2,410	1,820	1,310	486	400	570	1,600	2,600	
Percent of available working time		.13	.24	.44	.44	.27	.27	.21	.15	.05	.05	.07	.17	.30	

U. S. Employment Service placement activities:

Nonagricultural placements	thousands	428	439	470	439	478	520	487	426	393	397	373	453	480		
Unemployment compensation, State laws (Bureau of Employment Security):																
Initial claims	thousands	1,442	1,227	1,272	1,335	1,157	1,123	1,100	1,194	1,450	1,151	1,038	1,005	1,069		
Insured unemployment, weekly average*	do	2,181	2,070	1,924	1,862	1,692	1,580	1,466	1,463	1,666	1,962	1,880	1,657	1,471	p 1,270	
Benefit payments:																
Beneficiaries, weekly average	do	1,894	1,850	1,818	1,597	1,523	1,414	1,299	1,223	1,365	1,170	1,670	1,694	1,600	1,343	
Amount of payments	thous. of dol.	200,837	185,601	190,959	167,980	162,653	153,737	135,299	132,089	153,050	170,882	165,469	178,762	135,779		

Veterans' unemployment allowances[†]															

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	1954										1955				
	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	
EMPLOYMENT AND POPULATION—Continued															
WAGES—Continued															
Average hourly gross earnings (U. S. Department of Labor): ^Q															
All manufacturing industries..... dollars	1.80	1.81	1.81	1.80	1.79	1.81	1.81	1.83	1.83	1.84	1.85	1.85	1.86	1.87	
Durable-goods industries..... do	1.90	1.91	1.91	1.91	1.91	1.93	1.93	1.94	1.95	1.96	1.96	1.97	1.97	1.99	
Ordnance and accessories..... do	1.97	1.97	1.98	1.99	2.00	2.01	2.01	2.01	2.02	2.03	2.03	2.03	2.03	2.03	P 2.03
Lumber and wood products (except furniture)..... dollars	1.63	1.67	1.54	1.58	1.66	1.68	1.67	1.64	1.63	1.63	1.62	1.62	1.65	1.65	
Sawmills and planing mills..... do	1.62	1.66	1.67	1.55	1.59	1.68	1.69	1.66	1.63	1.64	1.64	1.63	1.63	1.63	
Furniture and fixtures..... do	1.56	1.56	1.57	1.57	1.57	1.58	1.58	1.58	1.59	1.58	1.59	1.59	1.60	1.59	P 1.59
Stone, clay, and glass products..... do	1.75	1.76	1.75	1.77	1.77	1.79	1.78	1.81	1.80	1.81	1.81	1.81	1.82	1.82	P 1.84
Glass and glassware, pressed or blown..... do	1.80	1.79	1.79	1.81	1.81	1.82	1.82	1.86	1.85	1.84	1.83	1.85	1.85	1.85	
Primary metal industries..... do	2.05	2.07	2.08	2.11	2.10	2.14	2.13	2.14	2.14	2.16	2.15	2.16	2.17	2.18	
Blast furnaces, steel works, and rolling mills..... dollars	2.14	2.16	2.19	2.24	2.21	2.27	2.24	2.25	2.25	2.27	2.26	2.27	2.27	2.27	
Primary smelting and refining of nonferrous metals..... dollars	1.96	1.96	1.97	2.00	1.98	2.02	2.01	2.00	2.00	2.01	2.01	2.01	2.01	2.01	
Fabricated metal prod. (except ordnance, machinery, transportation equipment)..... dollars	1.88	1.89	1.89	1.89	1.90	1.91	1.92	1.93	1.94	1.95	1.95	1.95	1.95	1.95	P 1.96
Heating apparatus (except electrical) and plumbers' supplies..... dollars	1.84	1.86	1.86	1.85	1.86	1.88	1.89	1.89	1.91	1.91	1.91	1.91	1.91	1.91	
Machinery (except electrical)..... do	1.99	2.01	2.00	2.01	2.01	2.03	2.03	2.03	2.04	2.03	2.04	2.05	2.06	2.07	
Electrical machinery..... do	1.30	1.81	1.82	1.82	1.81	1.82	1.84	1.84	1.84	1.85	1.85	1.85	1.86	1.87	
Transportation equipment..... do	2.11	2.11	2.12	2.12	2.13	2.16	2.16	2.18	2.19	2.20	2.20	2.21	2.20	2.20	P 2.22
Automobiles..... do	2.16	2.16	2.17	2.17	2.20	2.24	2.23	2.25	2.26	2.25	2.26	2.27	2.27	2.27	
Aircraft and parts..... do	2.06	2.06	2.08	2.08	2.09	2.10	2.10	2.12	2.12	2.14	2.14	2.14	2.14	2.14	
Ship and boat building and repairs..... do	2.08	2.07	2.06	2.07	2.08	2.08	2.11	2.10	2.12	2.10	2.10	2.10	2.10	2.10	
Railroad equipment..... do	2.08	2.10	2.11	2.11	2.13	2.12	2.15	2.18	2.20	2.19	2.18	2.16	2.16	2.16	
Instruments and related products..... do	1.82	1.82	1.83	1.84	1.83	1.85	1.85	1.86	1.87	1.88	1.87	1.88	1.88	1.88	P 1.88
Miscellaneous mfg. industries..... do	1.60	1.61	1.60	1.59	1.61	1.61	1.61	1.61	1.63	1.64	1.64	1.64	1.64	1.64	P 1.65
Nondurable-goods industries..... do	1.65	1.66	1.66	1.65	1.66	1.66	1.66	1.67	1.67	1.68	1.68	1.68	1.69	1.70	
Food and kindred products..... do	1.68	1.68	1.67	1.67	1.64	1.65	1.67	1.70	1.71	1.72	1.73	1.73	1.74	1.74	P 1.74
Meat products..... do	1.84	1.85	1.87	1.86	1.89	1.88	1.94	1.91	1.91	1.91	1.90	1.91	1.91	1.91	
Dairy products..... do	1.59	1.59	1.60	1.61	1.62	1.63	1.62	1.61	1.62	1.63	1.65	1.65	1.65	1.65	
Canning and preserving..... do	1.46	1.44	1.38	1.39	1.38	1.38	1.38	1.41	1.45	1.45	1.47	1.47	1.46	1.46	
Bakery products..... do	1.64	1.65	1.65	1.67	1.67	1.68	1.68	1.68	1.69	1.69	1.69	1.69	1.69	1.69	
Beverages..... do	1.94	1.94	1.98	1.94	1.95	1.95	1.95	1.98	1.97	1.98	1.98	1.98	1.99	1.99	
Tobacco manufactures..... do	1.35	1.34	1.35	1.36	1.29	1.24	1.24	1.29	1.30	1.33	1.34	1.37	1.39	1.40	
Textile-mill products..... do	1.36	1.37	1.36	1.36	1.36	1.37	1.37	1.37	1.37	1.38	1.37	1.37	1.37	1.37	P 1.38
Broad-woven fabric mills..... do	1.31	1.32	1.32	1.31	1.32	1.32	1.32	1.32	1.32	1.32	1.32	1.32	1.32	1.32	
Knitting mills..... do	1.32	1.32	1.31	1.30	1.30	1.31	1.31	1.32	1.32	1.32	1.32	1.32	1.32	1.32	
Apparel and other finished textile products..... dollars	1.33	1.32	1.33	1.34	1.35	1.36	1.34	1.34	1.35	1.35	1.35	1.34	1.34	1.34	P 1.32
Men's and boys' suits and coats..... do	1.60	1.61	1.62	1.60	1.63	1.62	1.63	1.63	1.62	1.63	1.63	1.63	1.63	1.63	
Men's and boys' furnishings and work clothing..... dollars	1.13	1.14	1.13	1.12	1.13	1.14	1.13	1.14	1.13	1.13	1.13	1.13	1.13	1.13	
Women's outerwear..... do	1.45	1.43	1.44	1.49	1.51	1.53	1.50	1.48	1.50	1.50	1.51	1.48	1.48	1.48	
Paper and allied products..... do	1.73	1.73	1.75	1.76	1.76	1.77	1.78	1.78	1.78	1.79	1.79	1.79	1.81	1.80	
Pulp, paper, and paperboard mills..... do	1.81	1.81	1.83	1.86	1.86	1.88	1.88	1.87	1.88	1.88	1.88	1.88	1.89	1.89	
Printing, publishing, and allied industries..... do	2.26	2.27	2.27	2.27	2.27	2.29	2.29	2.29	2.30	2.31	2.31	2.33	2.34	2.35	
Newspapers..... do	2.57	2.60	2.59	2.57	2.58	2.63	2.62	2.62	2.62	2.65	2.60	2.62	2.65	2.65	
Commercial printing..... do	2.15	2.16	2.18	2.17	2.16	2.18	2.19	2.20	2.21	2.21	2.21	2.21	2.23	2.23	
Chemicals and allied products..... do	1.88	1.90	1.92	1.94	1.93	1.93	1.91	1.93	1.93	1.94	1.95	1.94	1.94	1.94	P 1.99
Industrial organic chemicals..... do	2.05	2.04	2.05	2.08	2.06	2.08	2.06	2.07	2.06	2.07	2.07	2.08	2.09	2.09	
Products of petroleum and coal..... do	2.26	2.27	2.27	2.30	2.27	2.32	2.28	2.29	2.28	2.28	2.28	2.27	2.29	2.34	P 2.33
Petroleum refining..... do	2.36	2.37	2.37	2.39	2.36	2.41	2.37	2.38	2.37	2.37	2.36	2.39	2.39	2.39	
Rubber products..... do	1.93	1.96	1.98	1.94	1.94	1.97	2.01	2.02	2.02	2.03	2.03	2.04	2.04	2.05	
Tires and inner tubes..... do	2.22	2.25	2.29	2.26	2.29	2.25	2.30	2.34	2.34	2.36	2.37	2.37	2.37	2.37	
Leather and leather products..... do	1.39	1.39	1.39	1.37	1.37	1.38	1.39	1.39	1.39	1.38	1.39	1.39	1.40	1.40	P 1.40
Footwear (except rubber)..... do	1.33	1.33	1.33	1.31	1.32	1.33	1.33	1.32	1.32	1.33	1.34	1.34	1.34	1.34	
Nonmanufacturing industries:															
Mining:															
Metal..... do	2.04	2.04	2.06	2.07	2.05	2.08	2.08	2.09	2.10	2.11	2.10	2.10	2.10	2.10	
Anthracite..... do	2.46	2.47	2.65	2.52	2.50	2.41	2.53	2.53	2.56	2.41	2.61	2.50	2.50	2.50	
Bituminous coal..... do	2.48	2.47	2.50	2.48	2.48	2.49	2.48	2.48	2.48	2.48	2.48	2.48	2.48	2.48	
Crude-petroleum and natural-gas production:															
Petroleum and natural-gas prod. dollars	2.25	2.29	2.26	2.28	2.27	2.28	2.26	2.26	2.25	2.29	2.24	2.29	2.29	2.29	
Nonmetallic mining and quarrying..... do	1.73	1.75	1.75	1.78	1.77	1.78	1.78	1.77	1.76	1.76	1.77	1.78	1.77	1.77	
Contract construction..... do	2.52	2.52	2.51	2.52	2.54	2.55	2.56	2.57	2.59	2.59	2.59	2.59	2.57	2.57	
Nonbuilding construction..... do	2.28	2.32	2.31	2.31	2.32	2.33	2.33	2.33	2.34	2.33	2.33	2.33	2.33	2.33	
Building construction..... do	2.58	2.58	2.58	2.58	2.60	2.62	2.63	2.63	2.65	2.65	2.65	2.65	2.65	2.65	
Transportation and public utilities:															
Local railways and bus lines ^t do	1.80	1.80	1.81	1.83	1.82	1.83	1.83	1.83	1.84	1.85	1.85	1.85	1.85	1.85	
Telephone..... do	1.73	1.75	1.74	1.75	1.74	1.79	1.81	1.83	1.80	1.79	1.82	1.80	1.80	1.80	
Telegraph..... do	1.80	1.80	1.85	1.85	1.85	1.86	1.86	1.85	1.86	1.86	1.86	1.86	1.86	1.86	
Gas and electric utilities..... do	1.97	1.99	2.00	2.02	2.02	2.05	2.07	2.06	2.05	2.06	2.06	2.07	2.06	2.06	
Wholesale and retail trade:															
Wholesale trade..... do	1.82	1.83	1.83	1.84	1.84	1.85	1.85	1.85	1.86	1.86	1.86	1.86	1.86	1.86	
Retail trade (except eating and drinking places)..... dollars	1.43	1.45	1.46	1.47	1.46	1.46	1.47	1.46	1.44	1.44	1.48	1.48	1.48	1.48	
General-merchandise stores..... do	1.13	1.16	1.17	1.17	1.16	1.16	1.16	1.16	1.16	1.16	1.18	1.17	1.17	1.17	
Food and liquor stores..... do	1.56	1.57	1.57	1.58	1.58	1.59	1.60	1.60	1.61	1.60	1.61	1.61	1.61	1.61	
Automotive and accessories dealers..... do	1.68	1.71	1.72	1.72	1.71	1.69	1.69								

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	1954										1955				
	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	
FINANCE															
BANKING															
Acceptances and commercial paper outstanding:															
Bankers' acceptances..... mil. of dol.	623	616	589	589	563	609	687	768	873	869	831	807	767		
Commercial paper ^a do	694	641	679	747	794	803	762	769	733	713	703	681	623		
Agricultural loans and discounts outstanding of agencies supervised by the Farm Credit Adm.:															
Total..... mil. of dol.				2,368			2,381				2,305			2,434	
Farm mortgage loans, total..... do			1,257			1,275				1,293			1,347		
Federal land banks..... do			1,242			1,261				1,281			1,336		
Land Bank Commissioner..... do			15			14				13			12		
Loans to cooperatives..... do	335	312	304	319	325	339	369	377	364	368	355	339	325		
Other loans and discounts..... do	734	772	808	822	814	767	703	658	648	662	696	747	792		
Bank debits, total (345 centers) ^b do	154,759	149,812	163,501	154,848	151,504	149,898	152,322	156,843	186,317	163,388	149,738	178,917	158,289		
New York City..... do	60,479	59,355	64,965	61,155	58,316	56,744	58,792	58,787	73,817	62,642	57,091	67,242	57,634		
6 other centers..... do	33,152	31,159	33,785	31,556	30,922	30,706	32,230	38,217	33,531	31,595	39,908	34,494			
Federal Reserve banks, condition, end of month:															
Assets, total..... mil. of dol.	50,089	50,494	50,759	49,746	49,174	49,778	50,035	50,863	50,872	49,626	49,442	49,434	49,913	49,306	
Reserve bank credit outstanding, total..... do	25,382	25,781	25,642	25,183	24,696	25,183	25,401	25,944	25,885	24,960	24,769	24,667	24,988	24,780	
Discounts and advances..... do	172	245	37	184	200	132	297	398	143	475	485	391	560	460	
United States Government securities..... do	24,622	24,812	25,037	24,325	24,023	24,271	24,381	24,888	24,932	23,885	23,605	23,613	23,662	23,662	
Gold certificate reserves..... do	21,283	21,293	21,239	21,117	21,117	21,129	21,079	21,030	21,038	21,032	21,027	20,985	20,985	20,985	
Liabilities, total..... do	50,089	50,494	50,759	49,746	49,174	49,778	50,035	50,863	50,872	49,626	49,442	49,434	49,913	49,306	
Deposits, total..... do	20,898	21,143	20,808	20,454	19,805	20,264	20,373	20,457	20,371	19,879	19,806	20,158	19,685	19,685	
Member-bank reserve balances..... do	19,528	19,663	19,011	18,702	18,316	18,676	18,722	18,985	18,876	18,918	18,562	18,283	18,495	18,221	
Excess reserves (estimated)..... do	684	672	599	939	744	952	471	518	258	581	471	412	7334	18184	
Federal Reserve notes in circulation..... do	25,472	26,544	25,588	25,587	25,566	25,601	25,706	26,081	26,253	25,640	25,609	25,528	25,496	25,496	
Reserve ratio..... percent	45.9	45.6	45.8	46.1	46.5	46.4	45.7	45.2	45.1	46.0	46.2	46.4	46.0	46.3	
Federal Reserve weekly reporting member banks, condition, Wednesday nearest end of month: ^c															
Deposits:															
Demand, adjusted..... mil. of dol.	54,108	53,930	53,319	54,949	54,066	55,043	55,472	56,414	58,445	57,639	56,270	55,590	56,969	56,011	
Demand, except interbank:															
Individuals, partnerships, and corporations..... mil. of dol.	54,488	54,597	54,715	55,360	54,746	55,884	57,256	57,876	60,117	58,317	57,762	56,474	57,921	57,624	
States and political subdivisions..... do	4,308	4,418	4,329	4,033	3,939	3,756	3,865	3,956	3,939	4,232	3,960	4,062	4,216	4,361	
United States Government..... do	2,671	2,982	4,058	2,091	3,247	2,605	3,793	4,223	2,597	2,320	2,633	3,544	3,105	3,148	
Time, except interbank, total..... do	19,124	19,359	19,637	19,808	19,887	19,915	20,122	19,941	20,169	20,198	20,280	20,329	20,319	20,363	
Individuals, partnerships, and corporations..... mil. of dol.	17,854	18,041	18,304	18,337	18,433	18,520	18,609	18,555	18,806	18,864	18,930	18,990	18,969	19,037	
States and political subdivisions..... do	1,078	1,129	1,146	1,285	1,257	1,195	1,220	1,183	1,154	1,126	1,145	1,132	1,142	1,113	
Interbank (demand and time)..... do	12,704	13,040	13,870	13,406	13,772	13,791	14,301	14,113	14,273	13,651	13,402	13,085	12,988	12,974	
Investments, total..... do	40,177	41,300	41,945	42,492	44,237	44,194	46,088	45,669	45,526	44,783	43,590	41,932	42,960	41,724	
U. S. Government obligations, direct and guaranteed, total..... mil. of dol.	32,160	33,196	33,724	34,221	35,862	35,696	37,358	37,106	36,902	35,799	34,599	32,885	33,983	33,026	
Bills..... do	2,987	2,428	2,619	3,045	3,135	2,868	2,500	2,378	2,543	2,065	1,816	1,286	1,750	1,081	
Certificates..... do	3,045	2,684	2,777	2,754	2,559	2,504	2,369	2,240	2,768	2,551	1,633	1,117	1,911	1,171	
Bonds and guaranteed obligations..... do	21,598	21,502	21,654	21,742	23,515	23,654	23,801	23,936	23,391	23,102	22,076	21,806	21,682	21,490	
Notes..... do	4,530	6,582	6,674	6,680	6,653	6,670	8,688	8,552	8,200	8,081	9,074	8,676	8,640	9,284	
Other securities..... do	8,017	8,104	8,221	8,271	8,375	8,498	8,730	8,563	8,624	8,984	8,991	9,047	8,977	8,698	
Loans (adjusted), total ^d do	38,441	38,324	38,950	38,254	37,967	38,495	38,844	40,114	41,008	40,483	40,751	41,448	41,818	42,440	
Commercial, industrial, and agricultural..... do	22,183	21,591	21,884	21,524	20,798	21,015	21,104	22,214	22,486	21,926	22,241	22,597	22,545	22,636	
To brokers and dealers in securities..... do	1,744	2,141	2,379	2,005	2,228	2,403	2,466	2,367	2,688	2,582	2,374	2,483	2,660	2,742	
Other loans for purchasing or carrying securities..... mil. of dol.	849	915	899	875	904	941	991	1,037	1,113	1,056	1,080	1,113	1,108	1,155	
Real-estate loans..... do	6,553	6,592	6,671	6,718	6,831	6,902	6,997	7,083	7,176	7,279	7,359	7,474	7,570	7,719	
Other loans..... do	7,753	7,721	7,772	7,787	7,866	7,893	7,949	8,075	8,205	8,346	8,408	8,488	8,652	8,910	
Money and interest rates: ^e															
Bank rates on business loans:															
In 19 cities..... percent				3.60				3.56				3.55		3.54	
New York City..... do				3.34				3.29				3.30		3.29	
7 other northern and eastern cities..... do				3.61				3.57				3.55		3.55	
11 southern and western cities..... do				3.98				3.95				3.90		3.87	
Discount rate (N. Y. F. R. Bank)..... do	1.50	1.50	1.50	1.50	1.50	1.50	1.50	1.50	1.50	1.50	1.50	1.50	1.50	1.50	
Federal intermediate credit bank loans..... do	2.50	2.08	2.08	2.04	2.00	2.00	2.00	1.96	1.90	1.79	1.79	1.79	1.83	1.83	
Federal land bank loans..... do	4.17	4.17	4.17	4.17	4.17	4.17	4.17	4.17	4.17	4.17	4.17	4.17	4.17	4.17	
Open market rates, New York City:															
Acceptances, prime, bankers' 90 days..... do	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.33	1.38	1.38	1.43		
Commercial paper, prime, 4-6 months..... do	1.76	1.58	1.56	1.45	1.33	1.31	1.31	1.31	1.31	1.47	1.68	1.69	2.00		
Call loans, renewal (N. Y. S. E.)..... do	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	
Time loans, 90 days (N. Y. S. E.)..... do	2.88	2.88	2.88	2.88	2.88	2.88	2.88	2.88	2.88	2.88	2.88	2.88	2.88	2.88	
Yield on U. S. Govt. securities:															
3-month bills..... do	1.011	.782	.650	.710	.892	1,007	.987	.948	1,174	1,257	1,177	1,335	1,620		
3-5 year taxable issues..... do	1.71	1.78	1.79	1.69	1.74	1.80	1.85	1.90	1.94	2.11	2.18	2.30	2.39		
Savings deposits, balance to credit of depositors:															
New York State savings banks..... mil. of dol.	14,694	14,768	14,914	14,943	14,993	15,112	15,150	15,252	15,475	15,558	15,604	15,770	15,764		
U. S. postal savings..... do	2,291	2,272	2,251	2,230	2,209	2,189	2,172	2,154	2,137	2,115	2,095	2,074	2,051		
CONSUMER CREDIT (Short- and Intermediate-term)															
Total outstanding, end of month ^f mil. of dol.	28,095	28,372	28,666	28,725	28,736	28,856	28,975	29,209	30,125	29,760	29,518	29,948	30,655		
Installment credit, total ^f do	21,426	21,487	21,717	21,849	21,901	21,935	21,952	22,014	22,467	22,436	22,508	22,974	23,513		
Automobile paper..... do	9,942	10,002	10,168	10,298	10,349	10,365	10,340	10,296	10,396	10,459	10,641	11,053	11,482		
Other consumer-goods paper..... do	5,413	5,370	5,367	5,328	5,294	5,287	5,324	5,3							

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FINANCE—Continued

CONSUMER CREDIT (Short- and Intermediate-term)—Continued

Total outstanding, end of month—Continued														
Noninstallment credit, total ^g mil. of dol.	6,669	6,885	6,949	6,876	6,835	6,921	7,023	7,195	7,658	7,324	7,010	6,974	7,142	
Single-payment loans ^g do.	2,181	2,313	2,334	2,303	2,312	2,335	2,377	2,407	2,420	2,371	2,427	2,481	2,496	
Charge accounts ^g do.	2,723	2,786	2,819	2,773	2,734	2,807	2,892	3,042	3,518	3,225	2,831	2,735	2,859	
Service credit ^g do.	1,765	1,786	1,796	1,800	1,789	1,779	1,754	1,746	1,720	1,728	1,752	1,758	1,787	

Installment credit extended and repaid:^f

Unadjusted:														
Extended, total ^g do.	2,400	2,397	2,703	2,549	2,477	2,441	2,454	2,554	3,046	2,389	2,416	3,159	3,089	
Automobile paper ^g do.	1,038	1,047	1,244	1,163	1,114	1,062	1,031	1,040	1,184	1,060	1,167	1,569	1,512	
Other consumer-goods paper ^g do.	615	607	659	622	607	629	687	716	936	616	529	708	703	
All other ^g do.	747	743	800	764	756	750	736	798	926	713	720	882	874	
Repaid, total ^g do.	2,355	2,336	2,473	2,417	2,425	2,407	2,437	2,492	2,593	2,420	2,344	2,693	2,550	
Automobile paper ^g do.	1,015	987	1,078	1,033	1,063	1,046	1,056	1,084	1,084	997	985	1,157	1,083	
Other consumer-goods paper ^g do.	645	650	662	661	641	636	650	642	666	675	654	713	690	
All other ^g do.	695	699	733	723	721	725	731	766	843	748	705	823	777	
Adjusted:														
Extended, total ^g do.	2,358	2,321	2,495	2,455	2,409	2,474	2,461	2,612	2,762	2,823	2,898	3,035	3,017	
Automobile paper ^g do.	984	984	1,114	1,060	1,035	1,077	1,068	1,109	1,298	1,233	1,382	1,472	1,404	
Other consumer-goods paper ^g do.	644	604	649	666	613	609	633	677	679	788	660	741	736	
All other ^g do.	750	733	732	729	761	788	760	826	785	802	856	822	877	
Repaid, total ^g do.	2,358	2,392	2,413	2,364	2,480	2,404	2,424	2,500	2,488	2,496	2,521	2,562	2,552	
Automobile paper ^g do.	1,025	1,010	1,056	1,006	1,067	1,014	1,039	1,098	1,083	1,020	1,071	1,096	1,093	
Other consumer-goods paper ^g do.	629	658	658	667	678	634	652	631	643	684	680	683	672	
All other ^g do.	704	724	699	735	756	733	771	762	792	770	783	787		

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT FINANCEBudget receipts and expenditures:^g

Receipts, total ^g mil. of dol.	3,956	5,037	11,347	3,148	4,801	5,280	2,887	4,905	4,217	4,833	5,954	11,089	4,941	
Receipts, net ^g do.	2,751	3,592	10,644	2,827	3,911	4,951	2,639	4,201	3,742	4,655	5,427	9,741	3,732	
Customs ^g do.	52	44	49	45	48	48	47	52	47	48	47	60	51	
Income and employment taxes ^g do.	2,865	3,946	10,123	2,059	3,806	4,277	1,850	3,791	3,204	3,638	4,857	9,906	3,976	
Miscellaneous internal revenue ^g do.	860	877	834	790	829	858	850	839	801	716	774	995	795	
All other receipts ^g do.	179	170	340	254	119	117	140	224	165	430	276	127	119	
Expenditures, total ^g do.	5,296	5,203	7,308	4,827	6,731	5,019	4,857	3,842	6,288	4,942	4,831	5,894	5,228	
Interest on public debt ^g do.	350	249	1,763	213	332	541	346	368	1,200	222	396	478	355	
Veterans' services and benefits ^g do.	283	352	376	336	334	321	349	373	401	379	365	386	333	
National security ^g do.	3,691	3,374	4,663	3,061	3,370	3,261	3,300	3,316	3,739	3,176	3,048	3,520	p 3,334	
All other expenditures ^g do.	872	1,229	506	1,217	897	863	215	947	1,166	1,022	p 1,511	p 1,155		

Public debt and guaranteed obligations:

Gross debt (direct), end of month, total ^g do.	271,047	273,475	271,260	270,984	274,955	274,810	278,752	278,853	278,750	278,439	278,182	274,048	276,649	277,472
Interest bearing, total ^g do.	268,855	271,280	268,910	268,681	272,693	272,440	276,400	276,511	275,731	275,696	275,565	271,200	273,924	274,804
Public issues ^g do.	227,806	229,913	226,681	226,528	230,214	230,033	234,161	234,160	233,165	233,427	233,517	229,103	232,233	232,563
Special issues ^g do.	41,049	41,367	42,229	42,152	42,479	42,407	42,238	42,351	42,566	42,268	42,047	42,097	41,691	42,240
Noninterest bearing ^g do.	2,192	2,195	2,350	2,303	2,262	2,370	2,352	2,342	3,019	2,743	2,617	2,847	2,725	2,668

Obligations guaranteed by U. S. Government, end of month

... mil. of dol.	80	80	81	21	27	29	34	34	34	24	27	33	37	43
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U. S. Savings bonds:

Amount outstanding, end of month ^g do.	58,106	58,159	58,189	58,129	58,200	58,207	58,242	58,299	58,358	58,456	58,605	58,701	58,639	58,646
Sales, series E through K ^g do.	511	464	523	508	546	464	456	466	557	742	602	614	535	488
Redemptions ^g do.	538	510	628	693	562	544	507	510	633	772	543	605	682	581

Government corporations and credit agencies:

Assets, except interagency, total ^g mil. of dol.	39,602				40,443					41,403				
Loans receivable, total (less reserves) ^g do.	18,489				18,603					19,348				
To aid agriculture ^g do.	6,389				6,527					6,929				
To aid homeowners ^g do.	2,814				2,818					2,907				
Foreign loans ^g do.	7,965				7,968					8,001				
All other ^g do.	1,576				1,567					1,739				
Commodities, supplies, and materials ^g do.	3,369				3,709					3,852				
U. S. Government securities ^g do.	2,911				2,988					2,967				
Other securities and investments ^g do.	3,439				3,433					3,432				
Land, structures, and equipment ^g do.	8,077				8,061					8,046				
All other assets ^g do.	3,317				3,649					3,758				
Liabilities, except interagency, total ^g do.	5,085				3,458					5,285				
Bonds, notes, and debentures ^g do.	1,052				1,100					1,101				
Other liabilities ^g do.	4,033				2,358					4,183				
Privately owned interest ^g do.	486				498					508				
U. S. Government interest ^g do.	34,030				36,488					35,610				

LIFE INSURANCEInstitute of Life Insurance:^g

Assets, total, all U. S. life insurance companies mil. of dol.	80,095	80,522	80,952	81,473	81,921	82,364	82,852	83,358	84,068	84,912	85,324	85,627	86,061	

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FINANCE—Continued														
LIFE INSURANCE—Continued														
Life Insurance Agency Management Association:														
Insurance written (new paid-for insurance):														
Value, estimated total..... mil. of dol.	3,182	3,285	3,137	3,153	2,943	2,957	3,071	10,270	4,084	3,056	3,314	3,777	5,596	
Group and wholesale..... do	467	602	431	641	391	487	400	7,489	1,154	376	616	457	2,596	
Industrial†..... do	572	607	555	520	547	535	598	563	491	503	529	573	525	
Ordinary, total‡..... do	2,143	2,076	2,151	1,992	2,005	1,935	2,073	2,218	2,439	2,177	2,169	2,747	2,475	
New England..... do	137	141	137	123	125	112	126	146	150	156	149	186	160	
Middle Atlantic..... do	515	480	495	440	432	409	449	505	536	519	514	633	571	
East North Central..... do	452	440	452	424	428	418	443	483	522	462	466	579	518	
West North Central..... do	177	173	184	177	177	174	175	181	215	178	177	223	198	
South Atlantic..... do	249	251	257	238	242	233	257	275	286	235	245	308	293	
East South Central..... do	90	84	87	84	86	85	87	96	103	87	91	114	107	
West South Central..... do	201	184	200	185	188	188	187	191	233	212	200	272	237	
Mountain..... do	75	72	75	76	76	76	83	78	98	81	82	106	95	
Pacific..... do	247	251	264	245	251	240	265	263	297	248	247	325	295	
Institute of Life Insurance:														
Payments to policyholders and beneficiaries, estimated total..... thous. of dol.	408,691	377,515	427,419	386,791	380,859	394,119	371,915	399,965	525,998	473,850	424,607	498,058	420,978	
Death benefits..... do	171,064	158,955	183,689	158,681	168,048	168,679	151,957	169,921	207,504	179,591	176,943	201,474	182,525	
Matured endowments..... do	45,376	41,416	45,644	40,535	39,247	39,154	44,863	49,254	54,241	58,328	51,320	58,805	45,512	
Disability payments..... do	9,573	8,804	8,861	9,041	8,648	8,662	8,809	8,947	9,795	10,588	8,869	9,216	9,064	
Annuity payments..... do	36,458	34,379	37,859	39,763	34,907	35,608	35,818	38,626	40,551	47,722	38,307	39,210	33,921	
Surrender values..... do	72,312	67,400	71,445	66,530	69,738	67,885	66,690	72,863	71,445	74,776	73,883	86,702	73,970	
Policy dividends..... do	73,908	66,561	79,921	72,241	60,271	74,131	63,778	60,354	142,372	102,845	75,285	102,651	75,986	
Life Insurance Association of America:‡														
Premium income (39 cos.), total..... do	617,503	625,989	606,270	647,607	628,936	659,684	620,866	603,603	907,544	1,274,366	1,286,266	1,286,266	1,286,266	
Accident and health..... do	90,562	86,381	88,165	90,063	87,548	86,727	85,987	90,642	102,185	1,298,036	1,298,036	1,298,036	1,298,036	
Annuities..... do	78,299	77,683	81,196	96,514	72,355	79,638	71,771	83,558	175,582	1,232,210	1,232,210	1,232,210	1,232,210	
Group..... do	56,866	49,621	63,721	64,886	55,141	58,089	52,530	75,584	70,301	1,251,671	1,251,671	1,251,671	1,251,671	
Industrial..... do	67,571	74,642	83,043	64,772	78,386	70,298	66,241	80,033	128,007	1,106,183	1,106,183	1,106,183	1,106,183	
Ordinary..... do	324,205	337,662	380,145	331,372	335,506	358,982	344,337	363,786	431,469					
MONETARY STATISTICS														
Gold and silver:														
Gold:														
Monetary stock, U. S..... mil. of dol.	21,969	21,973	21,927	21,908	21,809	21,810	21,759	21,710	21,713	21,714	21,716	21,719	21,671	21,674
Net release from earmark§..... do	37.5	-48.4	-16.9	-72.7	-65.4	-34.6	-34.6	-36.7	1.8	-9.7	-8	-27.7	-41.8	
Exports..... thous. of dol.	1,088	774	541	852	1,274	1,065	781	1,203	2,363	788	689	674	182	
Imports..... do	3,517	2,004	3,831	2,400	2,978	2,128	2,377	2,712	3,024	3,016	3,905	3,388	2,658	
Production, reported monthly total..... do	66,000	68,906	70,000	71,100	71,400	70,200	71,300	72,000						
Africa..... do	41,900	43,200	43,300	44,300	45,200	44,900	45,400	45,500	45,500	45,800	45,800			
Canada..... do	12,500	13,400	13,200	13,300	12,900	13,100	13,300	13,500	13,500	12,800	12,300	13,000		
United States..... do	4,900	5,000	6,100	5,800	5,100	5,600	5,600	5,800	5,800	5,000	4,800	5,400	5,000	
Silver:														
Exports..... do	190	134	167	227	460	262	196	1,144	233	640	290	1,695	138	
Imports..... do	4,843	5,124	5,956	7,146	9,351	7,727	8,366	9,036	5,795	4,321	6,351	5,840	5,223	
Price at New York..... dol. per fine oz.	.853	.853	.853	.853	.853	.853	.853	.853	.853	.853	.853	.873	.871	
Production:														
Canada‡..... thous. of fine oz.	2,700	2,510	2,704	2,735	2,787	2,759	2,427	2,793	2,347	2,161	1,938	2,377		
Mexico..... do	2,328	3,494	4,672	2,283	2,853	3,236	5,453	1,982	3,029	4,908	6,726			
United States..... do	3,643	3,229	3,609	1,997	2,779	2,840	3,117	3,366	3,169	3,416	2,753	3,560	3,068	
Money supply:														
Currency in circulation..... mil. of dol.	29,735	29,870	29,922	29,892	29,929	29,985	30,074	30,500	30,509	29,789	29,817	29,800	29,769	29,008
Deposits and currency, total..... do	206,200	207,600	209,354	209,100	210,500	211,800	215,400	217,200	218,882	217,500	216,000	214,500	216,900	
Foreign banks deposits, net..... do	3,100	3,100	3,256	3,400	3,400	3,300	3,200	3,200	3,200	3,200	3,100	3,100	3,100	
U. S. Government balances..... do	5,800	6,400	7,581	5,200	6,900	6,000	7,500	8,200	5,869	5,000	6,100	6,100	6,400	
Deposits (adjusted) and currency, total..... do	197,300	198,000	198,517	200,400	200,300	202,500	204,700	205,860	209,684	209,200	206,900	205,300	207,400	
Demand deposits, adjusted..... do	98,600	98,700	98,132	100,000	99,400	101,200	103,100	104,000	106,550	107,000	104,500	102,400	104,500	
Time deposits..... do	72,000	72,500	73,292	73,700	74,000	74,400	74,800	74,300	75,282	75,400	75,700	76,200	76,300	
Currency outside banks..... do	26,700	26,800	27,093	26,800	26,900	26,900	27,500	27,500	27,852	26,800	26,800	26,700	26,700	
Turnover of demand deposits except interbank and U. S. Government, annual rate:†														
New York City..... ratio of debits to deposits..... do	41.3	41.9	44.2	41.6	40.0	40.4	39.3	42.2	48.1	42.0	41.9	41.7	37.3	
6 other centers ⁹ do	27.6	25.5	26.8	24.9	24.8	25.3	23.6	26.3	28.1	25.4	26.4	30.2	27.2	
338 other reporting centers..... do	18.8	18.8	19.7	18.8	18.5	19.4	18.6	20.7	21.0	19.6	19.6	20.0	19.6	
PROFITS AND DIVIDENDS (QUARTERLY)														
Manufacturing corporations (Fed. Trade and SEC):*														
Net profit after taxes, all industries..... mil. of dol.														
Food and kindred products..... do														
Food and kindred products..... do	2,922	2,922	2,922	2,922	2,922	2,658	2,658	2,658	2,658	2,658	2,658	2,658	2,658	
Textile-mill products..... do	234	234	234	234	234	252	252	252	252	252	252	252	252	
Lumber and wood products (except furniture)..... mil. of dol.	16	16	16	16	16	29	29	29	29	29	29	29	29	
Paper and allied products..... do	42	42	42	42	42	43	43	43	43	43	43	43	43	
Chemicals and allied products..... do	122	122	122	122	122	116	116	116	116	116	116	116	116	
Petroleum refining..... do	303	303	303	303	303	287	287	287	287	287	287	287	287	
Stone, clay, and glass products..... do	520	520	520	520	520	505	505	505	505	505	505	505	505	
Primary nonferrous metal..... do	135	135	135	135	135	147	147	147	147	147	147	147	147	
Primary iron and steel..... do	121	121	121	121	121	106	106	106	106	106	106	106	106	
Fabricated metal products (except ordnance, machinery, and transport equip.)..... mil. of dol.	185	185	185	185	185	146	146	146	146	146	146	146	146	
Machinery (except electrical)..... do	116	116	116	11										

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SECURITIES ISSUED														
Commercial and Financial Chronicle:														
Securities issued, by type of security, total (new capital and refunding) mil. of dol.	1,537	1,838	1,921	1,632	783	1,706	1,825	1,051	2,043					
New capital, total do.	1,346	1,342	1,754	1,053	605	1,311	1,424	687	1,569					
Domestic, total do.	1,329	1,334	1,715	1,046	546	1,311	1,405	667	1,522					
Corporate do.	485	536	859	731	267	611	795	223	654					
Federal agencies do.	114	47	31	32	0	64	13	0	0					
Municipal, State, etc. do.	730	751	826	282	279	636	597	444	868					
Foreign do.	17	8	39	7	59	0	18	20	47					
Refunding, total do.	191	495	167	579	178	395	401	364	475					
Domestic, total do.	191	482	167	579	178	395	401	364	450					
Corporate do.	112	179	96	396	76	285	179	267	368					
Federal agencies do.	76	268	45	181	85	96	216	91	63					
Municipal, State, etc. do.	3	34	26	2	17	14	7	6	19					
Securities and Exchange Commission: [‡]														
Estimated gross proceeds, total do.	1,958	4,388	2,422	2,167	1,279	2,125	6,544	1,350	2,552	2,706	1,431	2,583	1,621	
By type of security:														
Bonds and notes, total do.	1,738	4,185	2,173	1,999	2,107	2,003	6,227	1,250	2,387	2,518	1,294	2,033	1,418	
Corporate do.	419	649	792	1,085	352	886	813	321	854	484	364	871	451	
Common stock do.	111	73	118	92	27	62	64	103	135	113	512	149		
Preferred stock do.	109	129	131	76	45	60	52	37	62	53	25	37	54	
By type of issuer:														
Corporate, total do.	639	851	1,041	1,253	424	1,008	1,130	422	1,013	672	501	1,420	654	
Manufacturing do.	86	209	301	530	118	151	281	110	189	190	86	644	187	
Mining do.	41	35	76	72	14	43	36	60	75	20	13	49	23	
Public utility do.	314	509	437	325	161	251	275	62	463	242	111	226	191	
Railroad do.	31	1	7	43	13	130	45	51	62	64	1	25	93	
Communication do.	26	41	10	2	27	332	100	75	44	7	45	27	18	
Real estate and financial do.	63	27	157	202	14	47	277	28	110	98	149	386	117	
Nonecorporate, total do.	1,319	3,537	1,381	915	855	1,117	5,414	929	1,534	2,034	930	1,163	967	
U. S. Government do.	511	2,669	523	508	546	464	4,611	466	557	742	602	614	535	
State and municipal do.	735	783	855	280	300	652	615	459	906	541	328	540	415	
New corporate security issues:														
Estimated net proceeds, total do.	627	837	1,025	1,237	417	994	1,112	413	1,004	660	492	1,396	637	
Proposed uses of proceeds:														
New money, total do.	483	596	789	828	304	705	856	244	515	465	362	1,190	422	
Plant and equipment do.	406	447	598	643	195	591	478	145	367	325	177	759	232	
Working capital do.	77	148	190	185	109	114	379	99	147	140	185	431	191	
Retirement of securities do.	130	181	183	329	82	247	109	123	400	114	56	135	167	
Other purposes do.	14	60	53	81	31	42	146	46	89	81	74	71	48	
Proposed uses by major groups:														
Manufacturing, total do.	84	205	295	525	116	149	278	108	187	186	84	632	182	
New money do.	73	185	238	502	94	82	267	89	87	105	53	515	137	
Retirement of securities do.	8	6	23	5	10	40	5	3	64	23	16	85	29	
Mining, total do.	38	34	74	71	13	41	32	57	71	19	12	47	21	
New money do.	25	11	62	13	12	39	21	40	52	17	10	45	19	
Retirement of securities do.	12	0	0	22	0	(2)	9	0	2	(2)	1	(2)	(2)	
Public utility, total do.	309	502	431	321	158	247	272	61	459	239	108	224	187	
New money do.	237	329	372	177	102	161	193	45	151	193	100	196	151	
Retirement of securities do.	72	173	158	132	55	74	60	15	305	41	8	27	36	
Railroad, total do.	31	1	43	13	129	45	51	61	63	1	25	91		
New money do.	19	1	7	18	10	6	20	(2)	43	27	1	25	4	
Retirement of securities do.	12	0	0	25	0	123	25	50	18	36	0	0	87	
Communication, total do.	26	40	9	2	27	329	98	74	44	7	44	27	18	
New money do.	25	40	8	2	25	326	98	20	41	5	26	20	12	
Retirement of securities do.	0	0	1	0	1	3	0	54	1	2	18	6	6	
Real estate and financial, total do.	63	27	156	199	14	47	274	27	108	97	148	381	115	
New money do.	30	19	56	61	11	40	212	17	72	91	126	333	89	
Retirement of securities do.	25	1	98	128	2	7	4	1	8	(2)	2	13	5	
State and municipal issues (Bond Buyer):														
Long-term do. thous. of dol.	735,074	782,572	854,718	280,426	300,344	651,593	615,479	458,795	906,056	541,449	327,527	539,767	414,532	
Short-term do.	249,648	244,326	176,741	339,707	257,554	351,010	260,413	133,922	327,572	191,319	262,627	209,769	199,691	
COMMODITY MARKETS														
Volume of trading in grain futures:														
Corn mil. of bu.	183	116	117	254	200	147	129	239	211	182	161	213	161	
Wheat do.	413	344	369	496	363	311	236	237	312	257	292	360	302	
SECURITY MARKETS														
Brokers' Balances (N. Y. S. E. Members Carrying Margin Accounts)														
Cash on hand and in banks mil. of dol.			309					348						
Customers' debit balances (net) do.	1,786	1,841	1,857	1,926	1,998	2,081	2,131	2,242	2,443	2,558	2,653	2,701	2,752	
Customers' free credit balances do.	819	836	838	877	910	924	924	927	1,023	1,069	1,063	1,022	973	
Money borrowed do.	1,094	1,186	1,173	1,169	1,194	1,291	1,364	1,416	1,616	1,696	1,779	1,939	2,062	
Bonds														
Prices:														
Average price of all listed bonds (N. Y. S. E.), totals dollars	101.00	100.00	100.71	100.91	100.62	100.53	100.39	100.13	100.07	99.05	98.41	98.62	98.27	
Domestic do.	101.41	100.40	101.12	101.31	101.00	100.90	100.74	100.47	100.43	99.39	98.76	98.97	98.59	
Foreign do.	78.17	77.64	77.90	78.67	78.74	78.96	79.71	79.85	78.92	79.06	78.05	78.55	79.06	
Standard and Poor's Corporation:														
Industrial, utility, and railroad (A1+ issues):														
Composite (17 bonds) dol. per \$100 bond	118.1	117.5	117.0	117.5	117.8	117.6	117.5	117.4	117.0	116.7	115.7	115.4	115.2	
Domestic municipal (15 bonds) do.	123.9	123.6	123.9	126.9	128.4	127.2	126.9	127.4	126.6	125.4	124.9	124.4	125.1	
U. S. Treasury bonds, taxable do.	100.36	99.68	99.49	100.36	100.28	99.92	99.69	99.27	98.97	97.88	96.97	97.08	96.31	
Sales:														
Total, excluding U. S. Government bonds:														
All registered exchanges:														
Market value thous. of dol.	74,769	73,721	73,701	92,201	85,991	64,498	70,651	98,178	150,401	115,121	86,843	93,992	80,463	
Face value do.	83,764	84,141	82,290	102,829	90,886	68,903	77,015	99,831	155,797	129,547	90,703	100,868	89,342	
New York Stock Exchange:														
Market value do.	72,601	72,116	72,013	90,201	84,448	62,600	68,690	96,042	147,781	111,885	84,516	92,031	78,899	
Face value do.	81,102	82,136	80,225	100,365	88,658	66,632	74,512	96,368	152,634	126,209	88,119	97,287	87,152	

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SECURITY MARKETS—Continued															
Bonds—Continued															
Sales—Continued															
New York Stock Exchange, exclusive of stopped sales, face value, totals	75,166	73,779	77,847	83,871	76,251	59,575	67,945	97,202	126,487	101,100	79,992	81,373	80,570		
thous. of dol.	0	0	0	10	5	1	5	0	0	4	4	0	0		
U. S. Government	do														
Other than U. S. Government, total	75,166	73,779	77,847	83,861	76,246	59,574	67,940	97,202	126,487	101,096	79,988	81,373	80,570		
Domestic	do														
Foreign	do														
Value, issues listed on N. Y. S. E.:	10,629	8,822	9,238	8,781	7,878	8,965	10,362	9,009	7,356	6,819	7,547	5,592			
Market value, total, all issues	108,356	105,094	105,582	105,727	109,495	109,350	109,395	109,139	106,517	105,476	104,518	104,349	104,344		
mil. of dol.	106,255	102,990	103,474	103,608	107,382	107,232	107,269	107,012	104,442	103,351	102,427	102,266	102,238		
Domestic	do														
Foreign	do														
Face value, total, all issues	107,288	105,091	104,835	104,770	108,816	108,778	108,965	109,003	106,438	106,491	106,204	105,806	106,184		
Domestic	do														
Foreign	do														
Yields:															
Domestic corporate (Moody's) percent	3.12	3.13	3.16	3.15	3.14	3.13	3.13	3.13	3.13	3.15	3.18	3.20	3.21	3.23	
By ratings:															
Aaa	2.85	2.88	2.90	2.89	2.87	2.89	2.87	2.89	2.90	2.93	2.99	3.02	3.01	3.04	
Aa	3.00	3.03	3.06	3.04	3.03	3.04	3.04	3.04	3.04	3.06	3.10	3.13	3.13	3.15	
A	3.15	3.15	3.18	3.17	3.15	3.13	3.14	3.13	3.14	3.15	3.17	3.18	3.19	3.21	
Baa	3.47	3.47	3.49	3.50	3.49	3.47	3.46	3.45	3.45	3.45	3.48	3.49	3.49	3.50	
By groups:															
Industrial	3.04	3.06	3.10	3.10	3.07	3.07	3.06	3.06	3.07	3.08	3.12	3.14	3.14	3.17	
Public utility	3.13	3.13	3.15	3.13	3.12	3.13	3.11	3.10	3.10	3.12	3.15	3.17	3.17	3.19	
Railroad	3.19	3.21	3.23	3.23	3.21	3.22	3.22	3.22	3.23	3.25	3.28	3.31	3.30	3.32	
Domestic municipal:															
Bond Buyer (20 bonds)	2.49	2.51	2.40	2.26	2.35	2.33	2.33	2.36	2.43	2.45	2.42	2.40			
Standard and Poor's Corp. (15 bonds)	2.47	2.49	2.48	2.31	2.29	2.32	2.29	2.33	2.39	2.42	2.45	2.43			
U. S. Treasury bonds, taxable	2.47	2.52	2.54	2.47	2.48	2.51	2.52	2.55	2.57	2.65	2.72	2.71	2.77		
Stocks															
Cash dividend payments publicly reported:															
Total dividend payments	588.3	227.6	1,252.5	525.8	339.6	1,264.5	594.2	256.6	1,941.0	721.3	261.0	1,353.2	661.7		
mil. of dol.	108.0	55.8	86.4	130.6	68.0	93.9	114.3	75.2	233.5	148.2	76.5	93.8	122.2		
Finance	do														
Manufacturing	212.5	96.7	816.5	149.9	170.7	822.0	211.6	104.4	1,237.8	236.8	89.8	881.7	233.6		
Mining	do	6.8	2.1	94.5	2.3	4.6	93.8	6.5	1.7	140.1	6.1	2.2	101.4	7.7	
Public utilities:															
Communications	107.6	1.1	38.4	107.2	1.6	39.0	107.8	1.2	42.1	120.8	1.3	39.0	126.5		
Electric and gas	70.2	57.3	100.7	66.8	64.8	102.6	74.4	55.9	113.9	73.9	59.6	106.6	77.1		
Railroad	24.7	2.9	55.2	13.7	9.5	51.2	20.3	4.4	87.0	32.4	10.1	64.6	23.0		
Trade	51.3	7.6	37.4	48.2	13.2	38.3	52.4	8.2	47.4	94.0	16.8	41.0	56.9		
Miscellaneous	7.2	4.1	23.4	7.1	7.2	23.7	6.9	5.6	39.2	9.1	4.7	25.1	14.7		
Dividend rates, prices, yields, and earnings, common stocks (Moody's):															
Dividends per share, annual rate (200 stocks) dollars	4.18	4.22	4.22	4.24	4.22	4.22	4.23	4.42	4.43	4.48	4.56	4.59	4.60	4.62	
Industrial (125 stocks)	4.41	4.47	4.47	4.47	4.43	4.43	4.46	4.72	4.73	4.79	4.90	4.92	4.93	4.95	
Public utility (24 stocks)	2.13	2.13	2.13	2.13	2.13	2.13	2.13	2.13	2.13	2.14	2.14	2.18	2.21		
Railroad (25 stocks)	3.11	3.11	3.14	3.15	3.15	3.15	3.15	3.17	3.17	3.19	3.23	3.36	3.36	3.36	
Bank (15 stocks)	3.01	3.01	3.01	3.05	3.07	3.08	3.09	3.15	3.15	3.15	3.15	3.15	3.15	3.15	
Insurance (10 stocks)	3.37	3.37	3.37	3.37	3.37	3.37	3.37	3.37	3.37	3.39	3.39	3.49	3.49	3.49	
Price per share, end of month (200 stocks)	84.67	86.51	87.60	91.97	88.91	94.65	92.64	100.60	105.40	106.21	108.30	108.90	111.68	111.49	
Industrial (125 stocks)	90.76	92.86	94.34	98.49	95.06	102.88	100.66	110.13	115.64	116.83	118.49	117.61	122.40	122.15	
Public utility (24 stocks)	42.91	43.79	43.91	46.67	45.44	45.90	44.18	46.33	47.56	46.94	48.59	47.97	49.12	48.54	
Railroad (25 stocks)	47.16	49.63	50.01	52.98	50.01	51.47	52.29	58.38	64.27	64.35	67.42	67.42	72.21	71.63	
Yield (200 stocks) percent	4.94	4.88	4.82	4.61	4.75	4.46	4.57	4.39	4.20	4.22	4.21	4.21	4.12	4.14	
Industrial (125 stocks)	4.86	4.81	4.74	4.54	4.66	4.31	4.43	4.29	4.09	4.10	4.14	4.18	4.03	4.05	
Public utility (24 stocks)	4.96	4.86	4.85	4.56	4.69	4.64	4.82	4.60	4.50	4.56	4.40	4.44	4.54	4.55	
Railroad (25 stocks)	6.59	6.27	6.28	5.95	6.30	6.12	6.02	5.43	4.89	4.96	4.79	4.79	4.65	4.69	
Bank (15 stocks)	4.66	4.62	4.59	4.35	4.32	4.39	4.50	4.26	4.09	4.14	4.06	3.89	3.94	4.06	
Insurance (10 stocks)	3.08	2.94	2.88	2.73	2.79	2.77	3.00	2.74	2.52	2.58	2.51	2.58	2.50	2.49	
Earnings per share (at annual rate), quarterly:															
Industrial (125 stocks) dollars				8.49			7.63			9.43			9.60		
Public utility (24 stocks) do				2.85			2.88			2.94			3.00		
Railroad (25 stocks) do				4.58			6.42			9.97			7.00		
Dividend yields, preferred stocks, 14 high-grade (Standard and Poor's Corp.) percent	4.02	4.03	4.05	4.04	4.01	3.98	3.93	3.92	3.93	3.98	4.00	4.01	3.98	3.99	
Prices:															
Dow-Jones & Co., Inc. (65 stocks) dol. per share	115.94	120.74	122.69	127.66	129.76	130.40	131.54	137.84	145.81	147.98	151.70	152.75	158.35	157.89	
Industrial (30 stocks) do	310.92	322.86	327.91	341.27	346.06	352.71	358.30	375.50	393.84	398.43	410.25	408.91	422.99	421.55	
Public utility (15 stocks) do	56.39	57.37	57.92	59.43	61.01	59.43	60.12	61.43	62.39	62.39	63.29	63.87	64.56	64.06	
Railroad (20 stocks) do	102.01	108.62	110.89	116.65	118.29	116.03	118.41	126.95	139.64	142.45	145.64	149.06	157.51	157.75	
Standard and Poor's Corporation:															
Industrial, public utility, and railroad: ^c	212.1	219.8	221.8	231.1	236.4	238.5	243.5	252.2	264.5	268.8	278.1	277.5	286.2	285.0	
Combined index (480 stocks) 1935-39=100	233.1	241.5	244.0	254.5	260.6	264.4	271.4	282.0	296.7	301.9	312.4	310.8	321.5	319.7	
Industrial, total (420 stocks) do	225.3	235.9	241.6	255.9	257.2	257.3	262.5	278.5	296.8	302.7	316.2	315.3	330.2	331.9	
Capital goods (128 stocks) do	184.6	189.2	191.2	202.4	207.3	209.4	214.8	221.2	228.7	232.2	235.0	233.8	241.0	239.8	
Consumers' goods (195 stocks) do	132.5	134.9	135.0	139.5	142.3	140.7	139.4	141.4	144.0	145.1	149.6	150.4	151.8	152.3	
Public utility (40 stocks) do	103.7	173.0	175.7	184.1	187.2	182.0	1								

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INTERNATIONAL TRANSACTIONS OF THE UNITED STATES

BALANCE OF PAYMENTS (QUARTERLY)†	April	May	June	July	August	Septem-	October	Novem-	Decem-	January	Febru-	March	April	May
Exports of goods and services, total..... mil. of dol.														
Military transfers under grants, net..... do														
Merchandise, adjusted, excluding military transac-														
tions..... mil. of dol.														
Income on investments abroad..... do														
Other services and military transactions..... do														
Imports of goods and services, total..... do														
Merchandise, adjusted ♂..... do														
Income on foreign investments in U. S. do														
Military expenditures..... do														
Other services ♂..... do														
Balance on goods and services..... do														
Unilateral transfers (net), total..... do														
Private..... do														
Government..... do														
U. S. long- and short-term capital (net), total.... do														
Private..... do														
Government..... do														
Foreign long- and short-term capital (net)..... do														
Gold sales [purchases (-)]..... do														
Errors and omissions..... do														

FOREIGN TRADE

Indexes

Exports of U. S. merchandise: ‡														
Quantity..... 1936-38=100	285	281	296	261	236	227	258	252	263	234	249	269		
Value..... do	580	571	600	526	470	452	514	506	534	474	500	545		
Unit value..... do	203	203	203	201	199	199	199	201	202	202	201	202		
Imports for consumption: ‡														
Quantity..... do	161	141	164	139	140	133	131	143	158	149	145	173		
Value..... do	460	405	474	400	403	379	371	405	454	420	411	490		
Unit value..... do	285	286	289	288	287	284	283	286	282	282	283	283		
Agricultural products, quantity:														
Exports, U. S. merchandise, total:														
Unadjusted..... 1924-29=100	90	92	92	75	64	70	102	103	110	92	96	108		
Adjusted..... do	114	119	132	110	80	60	74	81	91	89	112	123		
Total, excluding cotton:														
Unadjusted..... do	119	133	120	115	97	109	150	147	146	133	143	160		
Adjusted..... do	141	156	150	145	101	94	116	127	132	133	171	183		
Imports for consumption:														
Unadjusted..... do	115	96	106	81	78	80	78	81	91	99	91	111		
Adjusted..... do	108	98	114	89	85	85	77	84	88	97	90	99		

Shipping Weight

Water-borne trade:														
Exports, incl. reexports \$..... thous. of long tons	5,616	6,552	6,570	6,386	6,339	5,986	7,464	6,655	6,147					
General imports..... do	8,232	8,892	9,845	9,154	9,133	8,971	9,000	9,273	9,544					

Value‡

Exports, including reexports, total¶..... mil. of dol.	1,425.6	1,400.2	1,473.4	1,291.0	1,155.1	1,111.4	1,263.5	1,245.3	1,311.8	1,167.9	1,230.5	1,341.1	1,262.0	
By geographic regions: Δ														
thous. of dol.														
Africa..... do	61,813	49,427	59,854	46,763	49,525	49,685	49,246	45,632	51,066	47,990	45,231	52,941		
Asia and Oceania..... do	234,814	203,673	182,021	176,915	141,806	147,141	158,908	173,164	196,976	185,281	196,728	232,186		
Europe..... do	306,296	277,816	292,509	250,208	228,086	229,769	351,243	352,816	378,465	335,742	372,554	360,253		
Northern North America..... do	256,824	267,972	243,068	220,000	215,427	213,671	233,026	242,034	222,382	205,970	221,896	264,840		
Southern North America..... do	166,136	132,863	123,846	119,583	118,891	122,011	139,932	145,685	132,823	125,337	147,725			
South America..... do	179,020	146,857	151,344	102,506	155,118	161,348	161,733	155,606	162,397	127,460	123,886	135,956		
Total exports by leading countries: Δ														
Africa:														
Egypt..... do	4,019	3,452	3,429	2,753	2,976	2,837	3,073	3,967	4,101	3,618	4,471	7,566		
Union of South Africa..... do	28,524	21,528	21,335	17,093	17,201	18,878	18,808	18,943	16,564	25,200	22,172	24,768		
Asia and Oceania:														
Australia, including New Guinea..... do	14,086	18,323	14,383	17,574	17,886	14,734	18,838	21,599	18,260	15,450	26,589	18,293		
British Malaya..... do	2,262	2,857	2,275	3,292	2,447	2,412	3,579	2,276	3,154	2,755	3,190	3,575		
China, including Manchuria..... do	4	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0		
India and Pakistan..... do	24,728	21,360	13,478	17,132	12,950	12,782	12,547	16,945	21,800	16,742	19,798	26,868		
Japan..... do	79,304	62,357	56,556	43,982	32,024	32,147	40,987	44,043	53,882	58,034	51,531	52,453		
Indonesia..... do	7,126	8,740	8,317	5,189	3,032	4,396	4,657	4,067	5,342	4,619	5,621	8,044		
Republic of the Philippines..... do	35,086	26,473	23,878	22,876	23,425	29,897	31,348	26,559	32,531	27,427	29,493	35,723		
Europe:														
France..... do	31,715	25,373	34,065	22,586	21,456	22,830	32,471	35,321	34,708	28,109	27,339	32,903		
Germany..... do	44,650	39,657	34,837	33,220	32,069	31,171	48,902	59,258	51,236	42,671	50,206	42,484		
Italy..... do	27,906	26,955	32,186	21,581	16,324	17,459	28,179	33,316	37,513	25,985	32,517	28,392		
Union of Soviet Socialist Republics..... do	2	1	23	86	78	1	4	0	18	112	1	15		
United Kingdom..... do	44,649	46,351	46,462	50,501	54,610	61,871	101,057	70,210	77,661	74,170	79,411	78,523		
North and South America:														
Canada..... do	256,818	267,969	242,972	219,981	215,407	213,657	233,012	242,029	222,370	205,968	221,882	264,835		
Latin American Republics, total..... do	326,580	264,629	265,640	268,018	264,445	256,221	287,158	281,118	292,543	246,802	235,748	267,225		
Argentina..... do	8,183	6,058	11,396	10,291	14,256	9,342	12,348	15,802	12,815	12,968	12,526	10,278		
Brazil..... do	46,771	40,834	43,020	48,601	48,896	42,062	36,552	34,956	31,535	21,343	18,584	20,225		
Chile..... do	7,911	5,494	6,074	4,602	4,364	5,947	6,801	7,905	5,899	5,388	8,212	9,897		
Colombia..... do	33,661	29,510	31,359	30,732	26,138	32,598	35,270	28,039	32,386	27,049	26,256	28,830		
Cuba..... do	40,216	36,684	34,208	32,798	35,779	35,353	39,958	38,377	38,982	35,469	36,102	41,385		
Mexico..... do	62,255	54,029	48,197	43,751	48,276	48,548	47,315	52,256	54,092	50,411	49,457	58,990		
Venezuela..... do	56,934	47,433	41,618	46,966	43,004	37,237	47,131	46,331	48,694	41,882	40,723	45,351		

* Revised. † Preliminary.

‡Revisions prior to June 1954 for balance of payments and prior to February 1954 for foreign trade will be shown later.

§Excludes military expenditures. ¶Excludes "special category" shipments and all commodities exported under foreign-aid programs as Department of Defense controlled cargo.

Total exports and data by economic classes and commodities include shipments under the Mutual Security Program. Total MSP military shipments are as follows (mil. dol.): April 1954-April 1955 respectively—167.2, 264.2; 359.3; 267.6; 200.4; 152.8; 103.7; 85.1; 97.6; 85.3; 94.7; 92.2; 93.9.

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	1954										1955				
	April	May	June	July	August	Septem-	October	Novem-	Decem-	Janu-	Febru-	March	April	May	
INTERNATIONAL TRANSACTIONS OF THE UNITED STATES—Continued															
FOREIGN TRADE—Continued															
Value¹—Continued															
Exports of U. S. merchandise, total ² mil. of dol.	1,413.1	1,390.8	1,462.2	1,281.3	1,145.8	1,100.8	1,251.8	1,233.8	1,300.5	1,154.8	1,219.2	1,328.3			
By economic classes:															
Crude materials..... thous. of dol.	158,795	144,390	168,724	123,005	122,112	126,763	224,601	217,117	205,172	154,147	147,396	152,284			
Crude foodstuffs..... do	65,793	73,431	64,646	65,493	55,637	46,362	64,289	66,968	83,506	76,151	83,133	96,344			
Manufactured foodstuffs and beverages..... do	63,025	67,773	62,022	55,430	53,281	59,721	68,071	74,759	65,893	58,047	64,069	69,368			
Semimanufactures ³ do	165,783	151,981	152,316	154,748	151,742	141,344	163,646	156,999	171,260	171,268	182,326	188,490			
Finished manufactures ⁴ do	959,672	953,198	1,014,464	882,628	762,983	726,646	731,209	717,988	774,653	695,160	742,247	821,849			
By principal commodities:															
Agricultural products, total..... do	259,385	254,558	266,444	213,215	190,438	193,805	311,857	332,475	340,225	274,908	275,815	295,209			
Cotton, unmanufactured..... do	79,777	64,484	83,706	43,290	35,403	38,164	67,842	74,457	94,622	63,545	59,010	69,564			
Fruits, vegetables, and preparations..... do	21,280	27,735	28,481	23,505	19,756	20,448	25,379	27,273	20,722	18,690	20,314	24,860			
Grains and preparations..... do	65,155	70,137	58,095	62,149	58,200	49,063	63,309	61,785	79,725	73,059	81,444	102,102			
Packing-house products..... do	22,028	21,991	19,647	21,245	18,435	16,781	21,992	24,527	24,281	22,920	21,895	20,743			
Tobacco and manufactures..... do	22,355	23,085	23,215	23,040	22,216	37,827	75,505	47,073	31,980	25,564	22,986	26,769			
Nonagricultural products, total..... mil. of dol.	1,153.7	1,136.2	1,195.7	1,068.1	955.3	907.0	940.0	901.4	960.3	879.9	943.4	1,033.1			
Automobiles, parts, and accessories..... thous. of dol.	147,918	134,644	113,054	104,694	83,181	81,366	80,934	91,071	111,625	108,742	117,489	136,261			
Chemicals and related products ⁵ do	103,422	86,590	91,051	87,448	85,411	81,626	93,036	86,120	85,995	79,781	84,057	93,307			
Coal and related fuels..... do	23,309	28,160	29,701	25,617	31,925	28,606	35,601	31,731	27,942	20,230	27,087	22,942			
Iron and steel-mill products..... do	49,993	38,639	39,644	41,668	43,375	41,204	45,660	41,439	53,990	55,766	57,373	66,739			
Machinery, total ⁶ do	298,113	259,413	243,083	231,186	204,731	211,075	214,854	228,909	234,655	225,870	240,035	267,878			
Agricultural..... do	15,210	14,035	10,722	11,818	10,089	8,192	7,236	7,437	7,752	8,872	10,362	12,601			
Tractors, parts, and accessories..... do	32,107	30,408	29,921	27,363	26,706	22,577	23,378	24,518	25,818	26,062	28,616	31,694			
Electricals..... do	78,399	66,486	63,568	61,270	50,096	57,547	58,775	61,437	59,353	64,074	69,554	71,538			
Metalworking ⁷ do	22,877	18,744	19,885	15,235	20,621	13,482	14,180	17,044	16,712	14,872	15,258	16,685			
Other industrial..... do	133,101	117,706	110,631	104,985	89,231	98,596	99,743	106,971	112,747	100,900	103,915	121,187			
Petroleum and products ⁸ do	59,087	59,756	65,494	56,575	53,402	46,892	57,114	55,383	55,218	46,356	46,769	49,973			
Textiles and manufactures..... do	65,634	51,469	49,684	45,461	48,997	51,017	57,434	53,627	54,588	47,261	49,627	63,286			
General imports, total..... do	957,322	829,059	946,371	821,662	824,341	780,641	763,470	838,772	941,772	870,118	849,673	1,018,253	857,000		
By geographic regions:															
Africa..... do	70,459	55,498	57,234	42,317	40,599	31,571	37,873	44,288	57,877	45,383	50,760	65,146			
Asia and Oceania..... do	159,955	144,901	155,595	133,020	148,552	142,988	127,342	129,904	121,314	151,478	140,966	188,066			
Europe..... do	197,644	159,216	178,348	159,983	162,231	171,242	182,073	196,704	208,253	163,328	180,016	225,224			
Northern North America..... do	185,811	193,273	219,569	201,800	206,364	204,787	201,670	211,045	215,641	183,452	183,830	212,604			
Southern North America..... do	133,192	110,430	108,450	91,546	90,176	68,946	69,231	72,250	107,012	144,987	138,177	145,133			
South America..... do	210,262	165,736	227,177	192,996	176,423	161,100	145,284	184,580	231,674	181,486	155,926	181,988			
By leading countries:															
Africa:															
Egypt..... do	4,083	2,244	1,658	1,646	1,947	727	610	490	1,379	1,500	1,821	4,515			
Union of South Africa..... do	8,253	9,790	7,779	9,418	7,708	5,737	6,851	6,248	5,972	7,512	7,914	10,593			
Asia and Oceania:															
Australia, including New Guinea..... do	15,508	9,046	9,655	9,611	10,578	13,883	7,626	7,768	6,079	15,830	4,158	13,854			
British Malaya..... do	13,137	14,786	18,848	12,182	17,496	13,519	15,765	15,001	14,552	11,634	15,904	20,906			
China, including Manchuria..... do	1,958	348	189	118	261	695	269	951	726	843	814	1,034			
India and Pakistan..... do	20,612	17,888	16,816	19,305	17,499	19,039	15,268	17,250	17,047	21,893	21,189	25,701			
Japan..... do	29,307	22,824	23,672	22,235	27,434	27,336	24,360	27,043	25,038	34,416	22,526	34,509			
Indonesia..... do	13,542	13,036	17,506	10,997	16,230	13,537	13,462	14,238	15,257	17,843	18,376				
Republic of the Philippines..... do	29,362	23,686	31,781	27,814	24,604	22,665	17,435	15,873	9,814	16,728	17,830	22,673			
Europe:															
France..... do	15,243	12,256	14,683	13,065	12,674	12,126	14,985	15,843	14,044	12,805	13,166	19,836			
Germany..... do	28,590	21,864	24,522	20,950	24,811	23,635	25,380	29,920	23,842	21,926	22,514	31,949			
Italy..... do	13,051	10,865	10,754	9,724	11,804	10,954	14,308	14,824	14,188	9,740	13,486	21,298			
Union of Soviet Socialist Republics..... do	1,342	1,065	1,146	999	1,038	1,604	524	890	919	692	1,147	866			
United Kingdom..... do	48,366	40,430	45,022	39,562	38,560	42,386	41,263	35,455	57,110	35,510	48,687	55,466			
North and South America:															
Canada..... do	185,778	193,263	219,527	201,558	206,260	204,599	201,624	210,750	215,620	183,423	183,774	212,656			
Latin American Republics, total..... do	324,632	261,329	318,072	268,345	252,360	216,332	194,206	237,374	311,869	297,404	265,568	297,526			
Argentina..... do	13,539	7,112	11,526	11,415	8,942	8,016	6,526	5,894	6,962	7,585	9,222	13,198			
Brazil..... do	84,707	44,991	39,957	38,961	34,560	34,181	59,125	55,643	64,842	56,449	36,045	40,587			
Chile..... do	12,113	17,811	37,372	23,680	14,818	15,818	6,724	13,044	15,003	12,726	14,990	17,482			
Colombia..... do	38,609	38,260	72,757	57,547	51,583	34,594	15,554	37,097	40,430	38,722	32,812	32,075			
Cuba..... do	47,996	49,392	38,472	34,527	37,667	26,808	19,791	14,992	17,689	36,412	34,524	45,398			
Cuba..... do	37,856	23,524	26,742	19,534	24,305	19,558	20,950	21,042	27,850	40,976	41,797	40,474			
Mexico..... do	41,788	38,634	40,757	37,938	38,674	40,138	37,412	48,550	51,792	47,716	46,602	58,568			
Venezuela..... do	943,643	830,100	972,886	820,107	826,495	776,900	761,288	831,593	930,835	861,971	843,518	1,004,770			
Imports for consumption, total..... do	199,092	204,011	227,154	186,377	207,907	197,687	182,049	185,505	206,347	201,555	204,433	254,171			
By economic classes:															
Crude materials..... do	240,817	108,443	199,964	159,320	142,498	115,049	123,591	163,018	242,022	198,253	169,294	178,541			
Crude foodstuffs..... do	123,275	106,091	110,828	93,660	96,615	86,540	76,189	82,040	71,546	86,843	82,655				

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In United States vessels do 977 1,038 1,031 878 985 932

^a Revised. ^b Preliminary. ^c Beginning January 1955, data include local service operations for one carrier.
^d Data have been revised, (beginning August 1945), to include fares charged by ten unit economic cooperatives in cities having a 1950 population of 35,000 or over, revisions prior to August 1945.

f Data have been revised (beginning August 1945) to include fares charged by transit companies operating in cities having a 1950 population of 25,000 or over; revisions prior to August 1952 will be shown later.

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© Data beginning January 1954 include vessels under time and voyage charter to Military Sea Transportation Service; revised monthly data for 1953 to include these clearances will be shown later. [†]Revised data for March 1954, 850, 181,000.

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	April	May	June	July	August	Septem- ber	October	Novem- ber	Decem- ber	Janu- ary	Febru- ary	March	April	May
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TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATIONS—Continued

TRANSPORTATION—Continued		TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATIONS—Continued													
		April	May	June	July	August	Septem- ber	October	Novem- ber	Decem- ber	Janu- ary	Febru- ary	March	April	May
Travel															
Hotels:															
Average sale per occupied room..... dollars.....	7.43	6.71	7.25	6.91	7.66	7.55	7.71	7.76	6.89	7.17	7.25	7.02	7.65		
Rooms occupied..... percent of total.....	73	75	75	66	72	74	77	71	59	73	74	75	73		
Restaurant sales index..... same month 1929=100.....	251	277	267	237	248	253	262	250	229	252	252	241	259		
Foreign travel:															
U. S. citizens: Arrivals..... number.....	72,722	78,179	92,068	113,018	146,742	126,750	88,706	73,293	72,730	69,272	80,021				
Departures..... do.....	87,138	91,220	130,168	127,507	94,034	73,984	60,498	56,135	69,840	76,638	85,524				
Aliens: Arrivals*..... do.....	52,115	56,280	57,066	62,056	64,504	70,574	56,752	50,477	48,675	45,881	41,745				
Departures*..... do.....	37,804	39,479	52,266	46,236	43,530	45,493	40,100	35,154	41,779	30,472	30,235				
Passports issued..... do.....	58,430	56,776	53,432	36,707	34,263	26,023	21,659	22,000	25,005	34,356	40,173	56,399	60,674	71,055	
National parks, visitors..... thousands.....	654	1,190	2,472	4,127	4,213	2,010	1,104	428	277	318	309	437	600		
Pullman Co.:															
Revenue passenger-miles..... millions.....	576	565	621	577	640	574	583	540	571	702	587	600			
Passenger revenues..... thous. of dol.....	7,559	7,415	8,167	7,601	8,422	7,543	7,647	7,042	7,474	9,224	7,710	7,884			
COMMUNICATIONS															
Telephone carriers: ♀															
Operating revenues..... thous. of dol.....	408,652	411,182	415,700	414,837	421,562	422,311	431,443	431,914	448,387	441,354	429,188	454,235			
Station revenues..... do.....	241,991	241,779	243,104	240,459	243,050	246,074	251,172	252,812	257,149	258,047	254,859	260,606			
Tolls, message..... do.....	133,437	135,373	138,921	139,800	144,225	141,432	145,088	143,034	154,870	146,783	137,976	157,059			
Operating expenses, before taxes..... do.....	280,195	279,732	285,347	287,388	286,027	293,280	290,427	292,307	311,916	289,318	281,240	307,210			
Net operating income..... do.....	50,511	51,845	49,889	61,957	55,700	52,414	59,615	58,930	58,457	62,143	60,261	59,123			
Phones in service, end of month..... thousands.....	44,350	44,514	44,621	44,766	44,920	45,129	45,345	45,568	46,858	46,093	46,310	46,545			
Telegraph, cable, and radiotelegraph carriers:															
Wire-telegraph:															
Operating revenues..... thous. of dol.....	17,089	16,730	17,768	17,111	18,072	18,447	18,267	17,843	19,733	17,552	16,996	19,839			
Operating expenses, incl. depreciation..... do.....	14,824	15,004	15,445	15,803	15,555	15,861	15,552	15,513	17,479	15,953	14,880	16,332			
Net operating revenues..... do.....	1,442	904	1,499	1,494	1,741	1,856	2,023	1,660	973	737	1,302	2,677			
Ocean-cable:															
Operating revenues..... do.....	2,635	2,724	2,848	2,704	2,595	2,743	2,733	2,781	3,011	2,676	2,452	2,933			
Operating expenses, incl. depreciation..... do.....	1,898	1,940	1,999	1,918	1,967	1,794	1,721	1,853	1,862	2,104	1,972	2,068			
Net operating revenues..... do.....	501	539	579	525	377	701	761	668	864	301	220	599			
Radiotelegraph:															
Operating revenues..... do.....	2,490	2,516	2,620	2,599	2,557	2,611	2,652	2,672	2,998	2,754	2,635	2,893			
Operating expenses, incl. depreciation..... do.....	2,153	2,157	2,191	2,217	2,179	2,320	2,112	2,249	2,353	2,272	2,198	2,306			
Net operating revenues..... do.....	208	222	285	248	255	159	426	300	540	333	351	466			

CHEMICALS AND ALLIED PRODUCTS

CHEMICALS		CHEMICALS AND ALLIED PRODUCTS												
Inorganic chemicals, production: †														
Ammonia, synthetic anhydrous (commercial)..... short tons.....	232,246	249,837	216,786	211,310	222,430	210,098	238,463	253,687	270,363	249,398	285,239	285,760		
Calcium carbide (commercial)..... do.....	60,295	59,984	56,544	54,351	58,435	59,578	60,915	58,857	60,516	62,388	53,804	72,522	71,723	
Carbon dioxide, liquid, gas, and solid..... do.....	58,934	65,720	76,725	78,407	77,697	69,420	59,186	46,477	44,834	42,666	40,551	52,124		
Chlorine, gas..... do.....	231,336	247,890	243,729	245,109	243,403	244,232	260,052	250,952	259,445	260,357	232,826	269,319	235,158	
Hydrochloric acid (100% HCl)..... do.....	61,351	63,270	60,122	58,210	59,504	61,871	64,482	62,998	66,372	67,494	62,751	69,509	59,351	
Lead arsenate (acid and basic)..... do.....	1,539	1,055	323	0	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	1,328		
Nitric acid (100% HNO ₃)..... do.....	148,261	157,705	149,383	162,502	166,192	167,012	184,188	193,343	199,140	213,732	190,108	206,932	201,956	
Oxygen (high purity)..... mil. cu. ft.....	1,742	1,823	1,768	1,611	1,723	1,694	1,932	1,998	2,214	2,349	2,132	2,495		
Phosphoric acid (50% H ₃ PO ₄)..... short tons.....	294,979	263,086	240,009	221,223	232,995	210,823	245,893	257,550	264,317	276,286	289,323	312,208	305,420	
Sodium carbonate (soda ash), ammonia-soda process (58% Na ₂ O)..... short tons.....	404,856	413,268	378,233	380,061	374,831	390,280	408,559	399,961	385,270	385,787	359,569	420,085	387,242	
Sodium bichromate and chromate..... do.....	9,294	9,530	8,968	7,559	7,049	7,263	8,452	7,913	8,707	9,000	8,181	9,538		
Sodium hydroxide (100% NaOH)..... do.....	276,481	287,773	299,484	291,039	284,240	286,262	299,587	292,587	300,604	301,769	275,326	317,245	278,266	
Sodium silicate, soluble silicate glass (anhydrous)..... short tons.....	49,144	54,730	50,383	39,073	39,983	60,916	55,728	49,760	53,066	49,451	50,490	62,841		
Sodium sulfate, Glauber's salt and crude salt cake..... short tons.....	64,569	65,409	62,785	62,457	62,930	63,000	71,948	71,485	75,973	69,511	73,358			
Sulfuric acid:														
Production (100% H ₂ SO ₄)..... thous. of short tons.....	1,194	1,178	1,108	1,067	1,097	1,121	1,183	1,255	1,300	1,313	1,266	1,388	1,339	
Price, wholesale, 66°, tanks, at works..... dol. per short ton.....	22.35	22.35	22.35	22.35	22.35	22.35	22.35	22.35	22.35	22.35	22.35	p 22.35		
Organic chemicals:														
Acetic acid (synthetic and natural), production..... thous. of lb.....	37,113	31,754	30,537	38,754	36,111	44,691	42,002	41,502	41,069	43,071	38,944	48,100		
Acetic anhydride, production..... do.....	52,836	53,336	50,342	57,415	61,777	69,282	69,104	66,302	63,578	67,886	60,353	78,590		
Acetylsalicylic acid (aspirin), production..... do.....	1,337	1,072	1,227	922	1,136	1,151	1,250	932	1,142	1,194	1,202	1,509		
Alcohol, ethyl:														
Production..... thous. of proof gal.....	35,465	36,521	37,304	34,608	32,850	30,650	28,793	33,552	33,651	33,504	33,015	35,615	37,784	
Stocks, total..... do.....	44,330	46,549	51,133	55,777	57,509	56,552	53,587	54,089	53,911	52,111	53,057	48,093	49,717	
In industrial alcohol bonded warehouses..... do.....	24,991	25,868	30,780	35,690	36,443	35,996	32,887	33,881	33,636	31,705	31,780	27,300	27,988	
In denaturing plants..... do.....	19,339	20,681	20,352	20,087	21,066	20,566	20,700	20,208	20,275	20,406	21,277	20,793	21,729	
Used for denaturation..... do.....	33,676	32,636	32,357	27,603	29,956	29,825	29,733	32,836	31,839	35,045	32,792	37,855	36,230	
Withdrawn tax-paid..... do.....	644	725	835	697	923	854	941	755	703	672	927	650		
Alcohol, denatured:														
Production..... thous. of wine gal.....	18,172	17,574	17,559	14,906	16,181	16,106	16,060	17,471	17,173	18,862	17,677	20,404	19,504	
Consumption (withdrawals)..... do.....	18,430	17,590	17,446	15,678	15,878	16,817	16,805	17,368	17,340	19,346	17,174	20,644	20,156	
Stocks..... do.....	7,377	7,370	7,483	6,704	7,002	6,276	5,512	5,500	5,434	4,934	5,455	5,238	4,504	
Creosote oil, production..... thous. of gal.....	15,750	15,417	15,057	13,151	9,188	9,752	9,240	8,992	10,682	9,565	8,934	11,064		
Ethyl acetate (85%), production..... thous. of lb.....	7,849													

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	1954									1955				
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CHEMICALS AND ALLIED PRODUCTS—Continued														
FERTILIZERS														
Consumption (10 States) ♀ thous. of short tons	1,717	974	434	171	152	300	508	487	369	511	786	1,839	1,650	
Exports, total† short tons	251,877	310,071	264,686	306,751	400,105	364,339	453,853	225,276	291,794	283,845	313,456	273,003		
Nitrogenous materials do	13,292	6,966	23,762	24,293	39,477	29,881	20,585	32,820	22,733	49,490	97,057	59,568		
Phosphate materials † do	222,210	292,538	227,693	268,815	346,419	323,734	420,435	177,964	251,996	216,270	172,074	183,344		
Potash materials do	10,057	8,526	10,716	10,112	11,358	6,858	9,030	12,214	10,759	10,529	21,039	24,519		
Imports, total† do	338,215	249,842	231,784	111,839	141,624	202,152	155,497	196,532	214,033	227,564	236,247	353,695		
Nitrogenous materials, total do	243,103	179,333	184,599	76,583	94,905	139,914	100,361	152,750	189,058	189,995	165,449	256,702		
Nitrate of soda do	85,533	67,517	104,419	35,666	31,550	37,439	33,725	52,302	84,555	59,359	49,463	70,535		
Phosphate materials‡ do	14,898	20,591	14,157	12,532	11,610	9,175	8,690	13,502	8,986	9,294	11,194	20,126		
Potash materials do	38,073	8,079	3,049	7,593	18,705	31,925	24,381	19,340	5,498	12,868	41,339	48,161		
Price, wholesale, nitrate of soda, crude, f. o. b. cars, port warehouses dol. per short ton	53.00	53.00	53.00	53.00	53.00	53.00	51.25	51.25	51.25	51.25	51.25	51.25	51.25	
Potash deliveries short tons	221,249	148,040	80,404	100,715	124,035	137,309	167,285	150,221	154,317	187,873	200,115	266,832	235,857	
Superphosphate (100% A.P.A.) ♂														
Production short tons	or 220,418	r 187,310	r 169,497	r 136,218	r 151,945	r 159,330	r 184,713	r 192,554	r 206,309	r 209,017	r 210,165	r 228,764	r 234,104	
Stocks, end of month do	r 188,990	r 204,755	r 254,727	r 282,846	r 299,071	r 286,856	r 277,595	r 295,719	r 326,579	r 347,161	r 347,728	r 274,227	r 222,227	
NAVAL STORES														
Rosin (gum and wood):														
Production, semiannual total drums (520 lb.)														
Stocks, end of period do														
Price, gum, wholesale, "WG" grade (N. Y.), bulk dol. per 100 lb.	8.75	8.75	8.65	8.55	8.65	8.75	8.80	9.25	9.25	9.20	9.20	9.20	9.20	
Turpentine (gum and wood):														
Production, semiannual total bbl. (50 gal.)														
Stocks, end of period do														
Price, gum, wholesale (N. Y.) dol. per gal.	.60	.60	.60	.60	.72	.72	.72	.72	.74	.64	.64	.64	.64	
MISCELLANEOUS														
Explosives (industrial), shipments:														
Black blasting powder thous. of lb.	931	786	541	527	722	754	937	1,083	980	1,017	810	876	685	
High explosives do	55,918	55,330	58,489	55,395	60,424	59,571	58,619	57,824	53,594	52,571	53,167	58,535	62,651	
Sulfur (native):														
Production thous. of long tons	445	465	455	472	462	439	454	467	478	447	400	435	438	
Stocks (producers) do	3,190	3,193	3,203	3,259	3,289	3,229	3,240	3,210	3,228	3,214	3,201	3,091	2,996	
FATS, OILS, OILSEEDS, AND BYPRODUCTS														
Animal fats, greases, and oils:														
Animal fats:														
Production‡ thous. of lb.	310,169	304,763	309,102	307,271	310,353	325,073	355,012	388,542	426,037	1,465,537	1,417,837	1,454,822	1,410,136	
Consumption, factory do	118,886	119,467	113,337	89,573	127,022	131,975	127,040	129,907	129,738	1,193,206	1,197,710	1,203,837	1,196,426	
Stocks, end of month do	262,682	262,393	245,855	251,266	233,363	224,215	213,063	223,411	254,218	1,412,194	1,415,127	1,415,106	1,409,530	
Greases:														
Production do	47,681	49,641	46,879	46,072	47,026	46,746	49,362	53,958	55,769	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	
Consumption, factory do	28,431	22,606	24,157	19,147	23,987	24,267	28,429	27,464	27,098	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	
Stocks, end of month do	64,371	69,182	68,982	72,512	72,888	71,630	66,338	73,142	73,025	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	
Fish oils:														
Production‡ do	2,066	8,317	19,164	25,903	13,410	26,732	12,514	6,179	6,471	3,532	3,312	r 3,345	r 3,1,255	
Consumption, factory do	13,768	11,047	11,407	11,038	10,269	13,149	11,340	13,625	11,074	r 3,275	r 3,8,391	r 3,10,564	r 3,12,618	
Stocks, end of month do	37,253	34,753	44,101	56,026	51,260	65,710	56,222	66,107	63,560	r 3,51,494	r 3,47,554	r 3,46,141	r 3,35,221	
Vegetable oils, oilseeds, and byproducts:														
Vegetable oils, total:														
Production, crude‡ mil. of lb.	475	429	382	366	380	440	509	579	551	547	487	493	441	
Consumption, crude, factory‡ do	521	495	445	346	416	435	532	536	521	524	489	564	486	
Stocks, end of month‡														
Crude do	915	793	709	629	593	575	599	677	669	674	671	645	617	
Refined § do	1,307	1,223	1,150	1,086	1,018	933	924	834	799	806	809	714	703	
Exports thous. of lb.	78,866	110,593	155,012	150,178	72,232	40,636	120,900	126,097	124,960	107,563	168,758	27,248		
Imports, total‡ do	43,053	28,839	39,926	33,892	43,901	38,281	54,026	47,032	34,006	40,051	45,306	40,233		
Paint oils do	9,017	1,410	4,402	5,731	2,078	3,868	1,038	6,607	3,058	2,049	6,858	1,402		
All other vegetable oils‡ do	34,036	27,429	35,525	28,160	41,823	34,413	52,968	40,425	30,948	38,002	38,448	38,832		
Copra:														
Consumption, factory short tons	27,480	27,599	29,949	26,871	24,327	30,072	33,811	25,257	27,678	29,211	22,415	28,344	31,089	
Stocks, end of month do	8,181	10,433	14,877	16,446	20,446	27,508	21,808	16,133	16,053	15,579	15,736	15,313	16,674	
Imports do	19,201	27,726	34,208	31,106	24,558	34,016	29,533	24,148	24,998	25,448	19,810	34,819		
Coconut or copra oil:														
Production:														
Crude thous. of lb.	35,863	35,481	38,165	34,925	31,097	38,365	43,159	33,216	35,537	36,747	28,737	36,068	40,438	
Refined do	32,939	30,122	32,263	23,211	30,092	32,933	30,698	25,685	27,441	28,899	27,596	32,005	28,240	
Consumption, factory:														
Crude do	50,243	46,730	48,879	35,503	45,419	49,276	47,974	40,851	41,950	43,613	43,043	49,801	43,342	
Refined do	30,309	27,072	28,659	20,608	28,561	28,770	27,433	22,382	25,021	24,231	24,327	28,476	27,496	
Stocks, end of month:														
Crude do	45,345	43,216	44,313	52,308	52,334	48,770	52,343	63,336	68,733	68,715	61,012	68,573	73,996	
Refined do	8,884	10,437	10,950	10,121	9,314	9,982	10,318	11,129	10,344	11,982	11,772	11,844	11,054	
Imports do	14,648	9,741	9,905	9,448	13,524	14,665	16,277	18,019	6,402	10,459	14,617	12,225		
Cottonseed oil, crude:														
Receipts at mills thous. of short tons	28	22	21	123	449	1,243	1,503	1,142	488	119	84	36	13	
Consumption (crush) do	470	356	270	207	250	532	684	659	609	598	514	438	318	
Stocks at mills, end of month do	891	556	307	229	428	1,140	1,959	2,442	2,321	1,842	1,412	1,010	705	
Cottonseed cake and meal: [‡]														
Production short tons	219,851	161,713	126,729	103,175	121,257	260,531	330,412	320,340	294,034	293,109	254,430	218,928	154,119	
Stocks at mills, end of month do	177,739	193,472	198,062	203,321	188,910	204,976	243,422	251,547	245,510	242,133	257,064	278,909	273,098	
Cottonseed oil, crude:														
Production thous. of lb.	161,955													

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FATS, OILS, ETC.—Continued														
Vegetable oils, oilseeds, and byproducts—Con.														
Flaxseed:														
Production (crop estimate)	thous. of bu.									1 41,534				
Oil mills:														
Consumption	do	1,954	2,079	2,248	2,596	3,545	4,058	3,575	2,988	2,757	2,341	1,884	3,138	1,861
Stocks, end of month	do	1,359	596	1,179	1,782	1,946	2,718	4,009	6,085	5,297	4,550	4,276	2,559	1,654
Price, wholesale, No. 1 (Minneapolis)	dol. per bu.	3.92	3.99	3.88	3.63	3.47	3.41	3.39	3.37	3.38	3.35	3.36	3.25	3.24
Linseed oil, raw:														
Production	thous. of lb.	38,784	40,343	44,293	50,223	69,607	79,719	68,821	58,487	54,165	46,204	37,058	59,703	36,801
Consumption, factory	do	37,349	35,141	39,263	41,176	43,111	53,989	41,254	44,051	39,682	34,933	40,974	43,533	45,085
Stocks at factory, end of month ^c	do	438,266	375,137	331,862	231,572	218,100	224,903	195,183	214,023	186,697	181,927	164,731	171,597	161,853
Price, wholesale (Minneapolis)	dol. per lb.	.141	.142	.153	.160	.160	.152	.145	.135	.126	.123	.125	.123	.124
Soybeans:														
Production (crop estimate)	thous. of bu.	17,649	17,546	15,437	15,361	14,795	11,140	21,735	22,197	21,181	21,483	19,777	19,525	20,031
Consumption, factory	do	43,209	33,454	24,598	15,321	4,894	9,218	37,312	50,740	44,613	33,243	24,355	17,549	12,912
Soybean oil:														
Production:														
Crude	thous. of lb.	194,526	193,327	171,614	173,189	166,116	125,318	235,894	239,625	227,765	230,957	214,068	210,643	218,083
Refined	do	180,911	186,097	175,831	127,217	171,296	148,712	198,863	210,262	204,180	205,325	187,174	219,803	199,755
Consumption, factory, refined ^c	do	187,113	182,924	180,938	146,845	169,920	169,341	200,722	204,223	196,475	192,795	185,616	219,097	194,676
Stocks, end of month:														
Crude	do	142,208	127,599	114,142	132,221	117,683	73,503	91,115	96,887	100,016	118,602	128,114	107,732	104,438
Refined ^c	do	98,429	103,331	96,919	78,743	78,679	53,722	54,679	59,988	66,755	80,900	73,078	68,183	66,197
Price, wholesale, refined (N. Y.)	dol. per lb.	.204	.204	.209	.209	.213	.203	.192	.195	.194	.194	.187	.186	
Margarine:														
Production ^c	thous. of lb.	118,586	102,844	90,334	87,339	105,344	118,051	117,979	134,717	116,346	124,476	119,803	125,781	104,407
Stocks (factory and warehouse) ^c	do	21,219	25,462	24,643	22,810	23,762	19,824	23,615	19,952	27,279	23,763	25,467	28,390	26,428
Price, wholesale, vegetable, colored, delivered (eastern U. S.)	dol. per lb.	.273	.283	.283	.283	.283	.283	.270	.267	.273	.273	.273	.273	
Shortening:														
Production	thous. of lb.	180,323	177,934	151,717	112,336	160,463	164,422	182,323	186,148	178,888	172,515	168,263	187,778	159,921
Stocks, end of month	do	83,881	96,309	115,786	98,826	104,414	96,260	108,083	106,657	122,700	119,826	128,537	150,179	158,191
PAINTS, VARNISH, AND LACQUER^b														
Factory shipments, total	thous. of dol.	124,629	123,071	131,926	118,024	121,584	114,934	107,498	103,132	93,633	109,796	104,023	133,311	135,089
Industrial sales	do	46,778	45,275	46,531	41,182	45,042	42,925	43,390	43,448	41,811	45,017	44,363	54,072	53,201
Trade sales	do	77,851	77,796	85,395	76,842	76,542	72,009	64,108	59,684	51,822	64,779	59,660	79,239	81,888
SYNTHETIC PLASTICS AND RESIN MATERIALS														
Production:														
Cellulose acetate and mixed ester plastics:														
Sheets, rods, and tubes	thous. of lb.	2,716	2,812	3,323	1,894	2,962	3,430	3,074	3,096	3,662	3,290	3,215	4,281	
Molding and extrusion materials	do	6,478	5,370	6,416	5,193	7,134	7,840	7,520	7,350	6,470	6,908	7,177	7,422	
Nitrocellulose sheets, rods, and tubes	do	554	483	431	271	366	362	332	316	329	414	364	483	
Other cellulose plastics	do	428	401	430	371	548	586	416	508	452	553	559	744	
Phenolic and other tar acid resins	do	31,567	32,805	29,592	21,680	28,824	33,519	33,057	32,893	33,010	34,304	37,195	41,459	
Polystyrene	do	36,889	35,039	33,250	28,086	31,808	37,352	39,196	36,495	35,205	36,860	36,360	43,905	
Urea and melamine resins	do	17,892	18,630	18,174	13,371	18,073	19,588	21,132	21,281	20,344	20,698	20,676	24,956	
Vinyl resins	do	43,413	42,163	43,814	36,486	34,341	44,389	48,970	46,532	49,773	53,782	51,650	59,767	
Alkyd resins	do	31,055	30,152	31,988	28,004	27,540	27,411	27,943	28,487	30,285	31,441	31,909	38,899	
Rosin modifications	do	11,473	12,138	10,344	9,760	9,396	9,767	9,702	10,259	9,209	11,353	10,478	12,126	
Miscellaneous resins	do	25,448	25,500	23,722	22,342	26,581	27,773	32,671	33,204	36,105	35,806	37,041	42,259	

ELECTRIC POWER AND GAS

ELECTRIC POWER														
Production (utility and industrial), total	mil. of kw.-hr.	42,857	43,529	44,975	45,969	47,196	45,529	46,709	46,464	49,887	50,404	46,269	51,153	48,376
Electric utilities, total	do	36,835	37,429	38,901	40,077	41,167	39,547	40,456	40,217	43,427	43,955	40,230	44,449	42,035
By fuels	do	26,925	27,079	29,315	31,319	32,825	31,743	32,624	32,101	34,379	34,526	31,659	34,051	31,667
By water power	do	9,910	10,350	9,586	8,759	8,342	7,805	7,832	8,116	9,048	9,429	8,571	10,399	10,468
Privately and municipally owned utilities	do	30,913	31,007	32,535	33,279	34,274	32,978	33,989	33,889	36,285	36,294	33,230	36,248	34,257
Other producers (publicly owned)	do	5,923	6,422	6,366	6,798	6,893	6,569	6,467	6,329	7,142	7,661	7,000	8,201	7,778
Industrial establishments, total	do	6,021	6,100	6,074	5,892	6,030	5,981	6,253	6,247	6,460	6,448	6,039	6,703	6,341
By fuels	do	5,573	5,672	5,681	5,556	5,709	5,678	5,922	5,876	6,040	6,139	5,742	6,375	6,017
By water power	do	448	427	393	335	321	303	331	371	421	309	329	322	324
Sales to ultimate customers, total (Edison Institute) ^b	mil. of kw.-hr.	32,931	32,531	33,164	33,894	35,061	35,198	35,148	35,392	37,092	38,198	37,654		
Commercial and industrial:														
Small light and power	do	5,685	5,694	6,002	6,499	6,668	6,659	6,379	6,141	6,279	6,384	6,311		
Large light and power	do	16,027	16,234	16,602	16,343	17,060	17,172	17,553	17,694	18,250	18,414	18,133		
Railways and railroads	do	403	379	360	350	351	349	364	391	440	437	399		
Residential or domestic	do	8,942	8,321	8,163	8,425	8,588	8,723	8,740	9,200	10,203	11,071	10,958		
Rural (distinct rural rates)	do	756	818	945	1,170	1,236	1,118	895	720	637	601	605		
Street and highway lighting	do	311	290	273	282	305	328	364	389	417	421	379		
Other public authorities	do	763	747	769	773	801	798	804	813	820	829	822		
Interdepartmental	do	44	48	50	52	52	51	49	44	46	40	48		
Revenue from sales to ultimate customers (Edison Electric Institute) ^b	thous. of dol.	585,775	579,312	587,689	604,006	616,891	621,259	618,463	620,428	644,528	660,153	655,779		

^a Revised. ^b Preliminary. ^c December 1 estimate of 1954 crop. ^d Beginning January 1955 excludes quantities held by consuming factories. Comparable data for December 1954 (units as above): Margarine, 26,960; shortening, 119,597.

^c Revisions for 1952 for linseed oil and soybean oil and for September 1951–September 1952 for margarine will be shown later.

^d Revisions for 1952 appear in the September 1953 SURVEY; those for 1951 will be shown later.

^e Revisions for January–March 1954 will be shown later.

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	1954									1955				
	April	May	June	July	August	Septem-	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May
ELECTRIC POWER AND GAS—Continued														
GAS														
Manufactured and mixed gas (quarterly): ^a														
Customers, end of quarter, total thousands			5,876			5,831				5,763				
Residential (incl. house-heating) do		5,447			5,408				5,341					
Industrial and commercial do		427			421				420					
Sales to consumers, total mil. of therms			808			536				840				
Residential (incl. house-heating) do		502			280				545					
Industrial and commercial do		299			252				289					
Revenue from sales to consumers, total thous. of dol.		109,536			77,386				114,157					
Residential (incl. house-heating) do		78,500			52,728				83,301					
Industrial and commercial do		30,400			24,239				30,242					
Natural gas (quarterly): ^a														
Customers, end of quarter, total thousands			21,220			21,344				22,027				
Residential (incl. house-heating) do		19,546			19,707				20,257					
Industrial and commercial do		1,648			1,611				1,742					
Sales to consumers, total mil. of therms			13,198			11,237				15,243				
Residential (incl. house-heating) do		3,755			1,577				4,692					
Industrial and commercial do		8,873			8,989				9,754					
Revenue from sales to consumers, total thous. of dol.		575,082			410,366				601,519					
Residential (incl. house-heating) do		314,607			166,266				384,833					
Industrial and commercial do		246,605			328,550				286,716					

FOODSTUFFS AND TOBACCO

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES													
Fermented malt liquors:													
Production thous. of bbl.	7,949	8,556	9,551	9,302	8,370	6,986	6,176	5,638	6,486	6,216	5,772	7,800	
Tax-paid withdrawals do	7,011	7,239	8,659	8,886	8,112	7,138	6,475	6,142	6,440	5,388	5,330	6,902	
Stocks, end of month do	10,680	11,541	11,946	11,658	11,391	10,779	10,074	9,506	9,162	9,573	9,647	10,193	
Distilled spirits:													
Production thous. of tax gal.	14,688	13,881	14,137	9,523	8,747	15,787	26,958	21,586	16,024	13,267	13,753	15,671	
Consumption, apparent, for beverage purposes thous. of wine gal.	14,519	15,365	14,975	13,780	13,753	15,803	17,792	19,541	23,008	12,333	12,919	15,768	
Tax-paid withdrawals thous. of tax gal.	12,030	11,858	12,056	9,604	9,805	13,487	15,722	15,883	10,667	8,654	10,007	13,403	
Stocks, end of month do	864,017	864,001	864,328	863,513	861,034	854,556	848,142	844,415	840,716	842,588	843,285	842,565	
Imports thous. of proof gal.	1,694	1,521	1,761	1,389	1,496	2,006	2,344	3,151	2,444	1,307	1,374	1,802	
Whisky:													
Production thous. of tax gal.	9,800	9,586	9,366	5,741	5,057	6,355	9,263	11,578	10,286	8,239	9,470	10,725	
Tax-paid withdrawals do	5,998	5,748	5,738	4,129	4,898	7,292	8,610	8,907	6,022	4,742	5,609	7,027	
Stocks, end of month do	718,726	719,567	720,699	721,020	719,114	715,191	712,017	710,071	707,355	708,242	709,665	710,970	
Rectified spirits and wines, production, total \$ †	1,551	1,388	1,616	1,288	1,316	1,834	2,123	2,891	2,209	1,162	1,258	1,613	
Whisky													
Production thous. of tax gal.	6,608	6,875	7,091	5,457	5,304	7,852	10,036	9,821	6,224	4,701	5,485	7,164	
Wines and distilling materials:													
Sparkling wines:													
Production † thous. of wine gal.	108	223	186	59	117	49	85	118	105	143	227	160	
Tax-paid withdrawals† do	74	95	112	67	97	159	158	192	229	107	83	112	
Stocks, end of month † do	1,296	1,418	1,478	1,458	1,449	1,335	1,259	1,175	1,036	1,072	1,304	1,333	
Imports thous. of proof gal.	44	44	41	29	35	53	79	108	127	30	29	33	
Still wines:													
Production† do	1,404	1,114	891	936	3,308	26,985	65,505	20,795	3,629	1,926	1,620	1,945	
Tax-paid withdrawals† do	10,444	9,842	10,469	9,072	9,873	11,899	12,299	12,726	12,698	1,9,999	1,10,123	1,13,167	
Stocks, end of month † do	159,748	150,758	140,525	130,885	123,334	139,287	195,813	202,620	192,400	1,182,237	1,172,024	1,160,347	
Imports do	582	494	459	332	364	424	544	792	733	402	410	555	
Distilling materials produced at wineries† do	486	593	5,501	1,590	9,020	61,975	119,756	40,197	6,212	1,938	1,737	3,204	
DAIRY PRODUCTS													
Butter, creamery:													
Production (factory)† thous. of lb.	141,955	164,520	160,855	129,685	109,355	92,600	87,825	86,835	96,975	107,240	101,750	119,330	127,980
Stocks, cold storage, end of month do	375,584	421,997	468,453	503,921	508,476	488,618	463,183	423,347	378,610	341,655	314,568	311,462	293,156
Price, wholesale, 92-score (New York) dol. per lb.	.583	.577	.575	.578	.579	.595	.600	.601	.608	.583	.581	.579	.579
Cheese:													
Production (factory), total† thous. of lb.	131,790	158,515	155,035	127,180	109,575	91,815	85,690	82,530	89,370	93,295	90,400	110,940	126,430
American, whole milk† do	101,410	126,325	124,255	100,160	84,005	67,135	60,540	57,180	61,150	64,085	63,450	80,760	96,680
Stocks, cold storage, end of month, total do	487,209	521,763	567,541	607,993	613,238	613,146	595,953	579,933	548,850	522,676	499,742	493,433	499,527
American, whole milk do	460,566	494,770	538,051	572,290	578,765	580,089	564,533	549,511	519,879	492,833	470,092	462,949	466,130
Imports do	4,851	4,236	4,510	2,562	2,934	4,972	4,558	6,664	5,111	3,509	3,502	5,109	
Price, wholesale, American, single daisies (Chicago)	.375	.370	.369	.371	.372	.376	.379	.378	.374	.369	.370	.370	.368
Condensed and evaporated milk:													
Production, case goods:†													
Condensed (sweetened) thous. of lb.	2,480	1,660	1,730	1,950	2,570	1,930	2,175	1,560	2,030	2,625	2,175	2,950	2,150
Evaporated (unsweetened) do	244,100	315,300	307,500	265,000	239,500	188,000	158,750	151,250	154,500	164,000	174,800	230,350	256,500
Stocks, manufacturers', case goods, end of month:													
Condensed (sweetened) thous. of lb.	5,373	5,242	5,010	4,723	5,134	4,762	5,113	4,934	3,773	4,775	4,569	3,895	5,782
Evaporated (unsweetened) do	127,708	231,456	320,487	381,143	410,355	410,170	355,473	290,624	206,519	143,494	104,537	97,640	135,026
Exports:													
Condensed (sweetened) do	77	96	22	89	27	164	267	453	52	53	19	0	
Evaporated (unsweetened) do	8,901	12,312	14,773	13,120	10,488	11,923	10,526	8,307	8,227	11,373	14,079	18,061	
Price, wholesale, U. S. average:													
Evaporated (unsweetened) dol. per case	5.44	5.39	5.45	5.50	5.54	5.55	5.56	5.56	5.56	5.56	5.56	5.57	5.57
Fluid milk:													
Production† mil. of lb.	11,280	12,999	12,600	11,558	10,474	9,369	9,021	8,474	8,841	9,105	8,884	10,447	11,264
Utilization in mfd. dairy products do	4,744	5,654	5,528	4,542	3,904	3,272	3,044	2,960	3,249	3,520	3,396	4,095	4,485
Price, dealers', standard grade dol. per 100 lb.	4.75	4.61	4.58	4.72	4.82	4.96	5.01	5.03	4.98	4.93	4.84	4.71	4.66
Dry milk:													
Production:†													
Dry whole milk thous. of lb.	9,975	10,500	10,660	8,730	7,175	6,800	6,640	6,100	7,250	6,400	8,150	8,700	
Nonfat dry milk solids (human food) do	140,200	166,000	155,000	112,250	83,500	65,775	66,250	65,350	84,800	95,400	112,000	130,250	
Stocks, manufacturers', end of month:													
Dry whole milk do	8,692	10,433	11,956	12,910	10,783	9,624	8,415	8,615	8,245	8,238	6,712	7,477	
Nonfat dry milk solids (human food) do	83,977	106,706	112,120</										

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FOODSTUFFS AND TOBACCO—Continued														
FRUITS AND VEGETABLES														
Apples:														
Production (crop estimate).....thous. of bu.														
Shipments, carlot.....no. of carloads	2,395	1,896	848	501	197	834	3,435	2,787	1 ¹ 103,773	2,886	2,471	2,413	2,498	2,187
Stocks, cold storage, end of month.....thous. of bu.	3,267	1,302	440	162	245	6,959	30,896	30,995	24,878	18,975	13,194	7,793	4,129	1,865
Citrus fruits, carlot shipments.....no. of carloads	11,214	11,418	9,217	6,697	4,743	4,422	5,027	7,269	11,610	9,445	8,678	9,503	9,304	9,310
Frozen fruits, juices, and vegetables:														
Stocks, cold storage, end of month:														
Fruits.....thous. of lb.	210,331	199,389	221,655	336,630	374,543	399,606	413,657	399,410	377,950	348,163	309,152	268,216	222,172	222,172
Fruit juices.....do	432,475	528,678	500,819	458,007	401,550	338,537	204,319	253,837	248,001	296,333	357,503	386,726	445,222	445,222
Vegetables.....do	469,983	445,851	443,724	492,594	602,309	698,084	709,915	689,266	649,321	576,981	505,428	456,995	422,162	422,162
Potatoes, white:														
Production (crop estimate).....thous. of bu.														
Shipments, carlot.....no. of carloads	19,664	20,529	21,142	12,549	11,887	14,864	15,992	12,788	14,141	18,281	16,750	22,493	20,365	18,485
Price, wholesale, U. S. No. 1 (New York).....dol. per 100 lb.	3.500	3.981	3.375	4.054	4.835	3.089	3.400	3.663	3.698	3.225	3.342	3.750	7.170	7.170
GRAIN AND GRAIN PRODUCTS														
Exports, principal grains, including flour and meal.....thous. of bu.	30,062	32,625	27,907	31,570	26,962	21,842	29,743	29,395	41,106	35,658	43,297	52,778	-----	-----
Barley:														
Production (crop estimate).....do														
Receipts, principal markets.....do	7,594	6,531	7,685	8,238	28,856	17,168	14,376	15,140	10,070	16,321	8,975	10,311	7,140	9,112
Stocks, domestic, end of month:														
Commercial.....do	7,119	6,500	9,121	11,932	20,050	23,495	24,258	26,946	27,517	27,141	23,121	21,184	19,701	16,975
On farms.....do														
Exports, including malt.....do	846	872	2,507	4,927	1,825	2,791	3,214	3,160	4,201	1,326	3,761	5,019	-----	-----
Prices, wholesale (Minneapolis):														
No. 2, malting.....dol. per bu.	1,505	1,518	1,490	1,456	1,397	1,429	1,454	1,456	1,420	1,441	1,431	1,439	1,443	1,421
No. 3, straight.....do	1,396	1,456	1,375	1,323	1,290	1,328	1,378	1,364	1,290	1,350	1,413	1,342	1,342	1,291
Corn:														
Production (crop estimate).....mil. of bu.														
Grindings, wet process.....thous. of bu.	11,127	10,263	10,326	10,041	10,609	10,918	12,163	12,102	11,670	10,954	10,836	11,949	10,621	10,621
Receipts, principal markets.....do	22,798	25,835	25,151	24,105	29,369	21,352	21,371	53,835	30,975	27,831	19,423	15,530	13,028	18,433
Stocks, domestic, end of month:														
Commercial.....do	21,704	16,984	15,945	12,866	14,831	18,052	20,560	50,873	60,218	62,809	63,192	56,511	46,385	41,250
On farms.....do														
Exports, including meal.....thous. of bu.	8,221	7,101	5,098	5,185	6,912	3,629	4,977	3,853	9,569	7,226	9,840	11,434	-----	-----
Prices, wholesale:														
No. 3, yellow (Chicago).....dol. per bu.	1,571	1,585	1,610	1,614	1,652	1,639	1,540	1,481	1,522	1,524	1,495	1,463	1,460	1,482
Weighted average, 5 markets, all grades.....do	1,504	1,532	1,577	1,581	1,610	1,601	1,522	1,462	1,450	1,448	1,434	1,390	1,439	1,487
Oats:														
Production (crop estimate).....mil. of bu.														
Receipts, principal markets.....thous. of bu.	4,602	5,818	7,241	16,842	25,750	10,638	7,231	7,840	10,510	12,704	8,193	7,159	5,392	6,629
Stocks, domestic, end of month:														
Commercial.....do	4,750	4,600	4,872	11,720	24,900	26,377	26,278	19,992	20,055	20,448	20,499	17,887	15,866	14,515
On farms.....do														
Exports, including oatmeal.....do	227	118	209	217	272	345	348	779	701	1,862	1,260	3,061	-----	-----
Price, wholesale, No. 3, white (Chicago).....dol. per bu.	.792	.770	.763	.708	.721	.758	.780	.851	.839	.814	.797	.771	.712	.708
Rice:														
Production (crop estimate).....thous. of bags ♀														
California:														
Receipts, domestic, rough.....thous. of lb.	84,516	61,873	52,410	36,656	11,471	10,373	145,678	93,881	85,457	31,945	129,028	125,049	119,108	142,168
Shipments from mills, milled rice.....do	66,150	48,757	36,159	29,573	28,807	7,676	36,349	29,233	33,125	28,489	70,745	133,373	101,451	98,542
Stocks, rough and cleaned (cleaned basis), end of month.....thous. of lb.	54,741	47,454	43,304	35,968	13,287	11,861	66,674	96,857	117,630	109,027	127,276	85,952	67,491	72,047
Southern States (Ark., La., Tenn., Tex.):														
Receipts, rough, at mills.....thous. of lb.	36,832	37,382	51,924	48,217	447,848	1,113,665	721,412	173,728	62,941	50,954	61,315	58,409	18,276	-----
Shipments from mills, milled rice.....do	100,069	124,217	102,436	118,490	172,842	216,034	197,656	121,645	98,056	113,344	112,015	133,727	115,091	-----
Stocks, domestic, rough and cleaned (cleaned basis), end of month.....mil. of lb.	573.7	390.6	327.3	272.0	361.3	821.8	1,071.8	1,049.6	987.9	916.5	784.8	653.8	610.1	-----
Exports.....thous. of lb.	88,483	102,422	47,048	42,229	74,435	112,973	98,694	61,983	44,623	42,515	25,011	112,005	-----	-----
Price, wholesale, head, clean (N. O.).....dol. per lb.	.090	.090	.085	.086	.075	.074	.083	.094	.094	.094	.094	.094	.105	-----
Rye:														
Production (crop estimate).....thous. of bu.														
Receipts, principal markets.....do	667	921	1,684	1,006	1,310	853	1,042	1,108	921	1,296	419	206	282	291
Stocks, commercial, domestic, end of month.....do	8,953	8,782	8,445	11,708	12,115	12,047	12,161	11,662	10,940	8,984	9,374	8,779	8,498	6,625
Price, wholesale, No. 2 (Minneapolis).....dol. per bu.	1,116	1,101	1,061	1,250	1,275	1,428	1,370	1,321	1,300	1,420	1,396	1,322	1,246	1,233
Wheat:														
Production (crop estimate), total.....mil. of bu.														
Spring wheat.....do														
Winter wheat.....do														
Receipts, principal markets.....thous. of bu.	19,660	26,953	60,332	105,576	54,867	47,508	29,456	22,438	25,923	28,032	19,823	27,482	24,105	38,436
Disappearance:														
Stocks, end of month:														
Canada (Canadian wheat).....do	348,139	339,201	349,007	379,215	365,638	335,421	334,158	337,675	354,877	357,151	348,267	333,891	328,052	322,419
United States, domestic, total ^amil. of bu.														
Commercial.....thous. of bu.	295,060	291,191	296,715	394,609	414,580	422,772	413,494	387,159	374,369	366,942	356,237	351,913	351,749	364,404
Interior mills, elevators, and warehouses														
thous. of bu.														
2 331,619														
Merchant mills.....do														
2 63,829														
On farms.....do														
2 99,038														
Exports, total, including flour.....do	20,768	24,535	20,092	20,896	17,952	15,075	20,924	21,603	26,193	24,455	27,924	33,109	-----	-----
Wheat only.....do	17,249	21,524	17,089	17,379	14,960	12,074	17,082	17,527	22,331	21,036	23,846	28,184	-----	-----
Prices, wholesale:														
No. 1, dark northern spring (Minneapolis)														
dol. per bu.	2,620	2,669	2,642	2,643	2,578	2,605	2,747	2,708	2,758	2,729	2,756	2,708	2,668	2,742
No. 2, hard winter (Kansas City).....do	2,447	2,370	2,153	2,324	2,352	2,389	2,411	2,439	2,465	2,443	2,410	2,456	2,461	2,531
No. 2, red winter (St. Louis).....do	2,210	2,105	1,852	1,967	2,101	2,162	2,147	2,266	2,280	2,338	2,230	2,2		

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	1954										1955			
	April	May	June	July	August	Septem-	October	Novem-	Decem-	Janu-	Februa-	March	April	May
FOODSTUFFS AND TOBACCO—Continued														
GRAIN AND GRAIN PRODUCTS—Continued														
Wheat flour:														
Production:														
Flour thous. of sacks (100 lb.)	17,217	16,685	18,041	18,022	18,786	19,733	19,688	19,216	19,174	19,156	17,714	19,884	17,435	
Operations, percent of capacity	73.5	74.9	77.4	77.2	80.4	88.2	88.0	85.9	78.3	85.6	83.1	81.1	78.1	
Offal short tons	339,250	327,804	363,478	361,956	380,751	397,086	397,719	387,185	382,856	384,216	356,211	394,156	348,073	
Grindings of wheat thous. of bu.	39,874	38,582	41,913	41,902	43,752	45,846	45,505	44,656	44,524	44,567	41,186	46,104	40,461	
Stocks held by mills, end of quarter thous. of sacks (100 lb.)														
Exports do	1,510	1,292	1,289	1,510	1,284	1,288	1,649	1,749	1,658	1,487	1,750	2,114		
Prices, wholesale:														
Spring, short patents (Minneapolis) dol. per sack (100 lb.)	6.400	6.510	6.765	6.960	6.685	6.830	6.925	6.940	6.910	6.755	6.650	6.805	p 6.645	
Winter, hard, short patents (Kansas City) do	6.035	6.135	6.145	6.050	5.995	6.175	6.295	6.235	6.325	6.205	6.025	6.095	p 6.060	
LIVESTOCK														
Cattle and calves:														
Slaughter (federally inspected):														
Calves thous. of animals	598	561	622	640	649	706	738	694	639	563	517	660	506	
Cattle do	1,417	1,439	1,570	1,622	1,635	1,638	1,616	1,602	1,583	1,521	1,313	1,524	1,452	
Receipts, principal markets do	2,048	2,165	2,316	2,298	2,736	2,878	2,993	2,980	2,177	2,322	1,767	2,086	2,046	
Shipments, feeder, to 9 corn-belt States do	217	181	130	174	314	540	939	815	355	294	171	212	272	
Prices, wholesale:														
Beef steers (Chicago) dol. per 100 lb.	23.77	23.54	23.40	23.47	23.71	25.00	25.42	26.11	26.21	26.12	24.46	24.12	23.36	22.18
Steers, stocker and feeder (Kansas City) do	20.62	20.44	18.20	16.12	17.88	18.10	18.84	19.63	19.23	20.40	20.46	21.28	21.25	20.01
Calves, vealers (Chicago) do	26.00	23.00	21.00	20.00	21.75	22.00	22.50	20.00	21.00	27.00	29.00	25.00	p 26.00	
Hogs:														
Slaughter (federally inspected) thous. of animals	3,853	3,380	3,453	3,325	3,852	4,743	5,178	5,841	6,119	5,519	4,638	5,491	4,472	
Receipts, principal markets do	2,073	1,909	1,993	1,900	2,251	2,496	2,746	3,308	3,315	3,183	2,587	2,924	2,473	
Prices:														
Wholesale, average, all grades (Chicago) dol. per 100 lb.	26.75	24.79	21.43	19.75	20.50	19.51	18.66	18.39	16.97	16.51	15.91	15.90	16.48	16.39
Hog-corn price ratio bu. of corn equal in value to 100 lb. of live hog	18.2	17.5	14.6	14.1	14.1	12.9	12.7	13.6	12.2	12.1	11.7	11.3	12.2	11.7
Sheep and lambs:														
Slaughter (federally inspected) thous. of animals	1,096	1,045	1,200	1,209	1,207	1,290	1,291	1,160	1,167	1,223	1,080	1,244	1,180	
Receipts, principal markets do	1,203	1,133	1,193	1,140	1,391	1,806	1,841	1,323	1,192	1,334	1,029	1,163	1,309	
Shipments, feeder, to 9 corn-belt States do	202	147	90	100	248	631	539	344	185	226	135	120	156	
Prices, wholesale:														
Lambs, average (Chicago) dol. per 100 lb.	27.75	25.88	24.00	21.25	19.50	19.50	19.38	19.75	19.25	20.88	21.75	22.75	21.50	23.00
Lambs, feeder, good and choice (Omaha) do	22.31	(2)	(1)	(1)	17.67	17.46	17.50	17.70	18.05	20.22	29.75	20.97	19.83	(1)
MEATS														
Total meats (including lard):														
Production (inspected slaughter) mil. of lb.	1,609	1,563	1,683	1,641	1,673	1,796	1,897	2,026	2,120	1,993	1,665	1,932	1,736	
Stocks (excluding lard), cold storage, end of month mil. of lb.	706	653	605	530	467	443	477	638	800	844	837	835	823	
Exports do	59	64	47	48	43	41	65	78	81	75	69	65		
Beef and veal:														
Production (inspected slaughter) thous. of lb.	828,596	838,154	905,294	920,803	910,606	917,746	924,790	901,498	912,239	883,371	760,473	890,867	844,205	
Stocks, cold storage, end of month do	160,002	138,622	127,141	122,333	126,183	121,290	137,159	177,078	208,380	193,580	166,014	154,349	142,836	
Exports do	4,463	7,124	1,088	2,198	1,650	3,079	2,346	3,280	6,718	6,993	6,443	5,369		
Price, wholesale, beef, fresh, steer carcasses, choice (600-700 lbs) (New York) dol. per lb.	.398	.403	.405	.417	.414	.433	.443	.450	.455	.460	.449	.435	.417	.402
Lamb and mutton:														
Production (inspected slaughter) thous. of lb.	52,190	48,262	51,950	52,385	53,001	55,324	56,119	52,466	54,704	58,810	53,174	61,429	55,802	
Stocks, cold storage, end of month do	8,897	8,135	8,709	7,780	7,867	7,741	8,518	9,714	8,767	8,743	9,089	9,715		
Pork, including lard, production (inspected slaughter) thous. of lb.	727,839	676,709	725,640	667,645	700,693	822,728	915,733	1,071,719	1,153,238	1,050,606	851,694	1,009,567	834,963	
Pork, excluding lard:														
Production (inspected slaughter) do	517,809	505,239	538,002	491,002	526,732	622,033	681,669	799,131	843,809	771,981	628,102	749,899	618,489	
Stocks, cold storage, end of month do	420,917	384,613	346,765	283,541	228,738	215,057	233,612	340,874	418,645	504,624	530,537	543,929	541,686	
Exports do	4,200	3,558	4,016	5,422	3,779	2,719	4,995	6,692	4,037	4,843	6,476	6,243		
Prices, wholesale:														
Hams, smoked, composite dol. per lb.	.671	.669	.646	.611	.630	.553	.521	.546	.556	.536	.479	.479	p 506	
Fresh loins, 8-12 lb. average (New York) do	.574	.626	.587	.598	.534	.513	.450	.459	.412	.431	.425	.422	.453	.506
Lard:														
Production (inspected slaughter) thous. of lb.	131,394	125,254	137,369	129,394	127,058	146,772	171,156	198,822	225,859	203,886	163,743	189,884	158,080	
Stocks, dry and cold storage, end of month do	74,024	69,278	65,689	58,065	47,818	50,460	51,349	75,160	104,125	124,391	137,882	137,357	140,352	
Exports do	42,042	50,908	33,365	29,808	29,047	25,344	46,022	55,013	57,324	54,807	47,253	46,057		
Price, wholesale, refined (Chicago) dol. per lb.	.233	.205	.190	.205	.213	.208	.185	.190	.173	.163	.153	.156	p 167	
POULTRY AND EGGS														
Poultry:														
Receipts, 5 markets thous. of lb.	39,205	43,216	47,393	42,779	47,532	55,555	64,612	74,024	64,744	40,480	36,267	39,349	40,666	48,819
Stocks, cold storage, end of month do	184,743	167,499	151,147	141,651	146,651	188,417	275,192	291,504	269,863	251,296	211,258	162,472	128,271	
Price, wholesale, live fowls, heavy type, No. 1 (Chicago) dol. per lb.	.220	.240	.190	.165	.185	.175	.160	.180	.175	.188	.243	.280	p 240	
Eggs:														
Production, farm millions	6,309	6,125	5,317	4,850	4,648	4,694	5,085	5,166	5,589	5,771	5,518	6,584	6,529	6,440
Dried egg production thous. of lb.	3,156	3,178	2,398	1,869	1,217	953	792	900	1,336	1,919	1,902	2,357	2,932	
Stocks, cold storage, end of month:														
Shell thous. of cases	728	1,348	1,639	1,435	1,031	833	636	325	193	235	268	479	1,177	
Frozen thous. of lb.	136,488	166,983	186,189	180,777	160,797	138,784	117,958	94,658	74,928	66,245	62,517	83,672	124,531	
Price, wholesale, extras, large (Chicago) dol. per doz.	.380	.355	.351	.397	.398	.427	.400	.381	.317	.334	.422	.410	.373	.346
MISCELLANEOUS FOOD PRODUCTS														
Confectionery, manufacturers' sales† thous. of dol.	74,768	59,390	61,415	48,719	65,541	103,120	101,740	115,330	99,814	84,645	85,277	p 83,644	77,022	
Cocoa or cacao beans:														
Imports (incl. shells) long tons	14,265	11,991	22,215											

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	1954									1955				
	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May

FOODSTUFFS AND TOBACCO—Continued

MISCELLANEOUS FOOD PRODUCTS—Con.	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May
Fish:														
Landings, fresh fish, 5 ports thous. of lb.	41,524	59,452	75,834	84,605	73,274	47,478	48,307	35,270	25,716	20,787	27,170	33,068	32,477	122,845
Stocks, cold storage, end of month do	110,328	118,806	140,009	163,697	190,538	202,228	204,722	206,437	194,338	173,001	150,471	127,477	122,845	
Sugar:														
Cuban stocks, raw, end of month thous. of Spanish tons	* 4,406	4,316	3,991	3,712	3,262	2,812	2,637	2,447	2,037	1,712	2,513	4,288	4,688	
United States:														
Deliveries and supply (raw basis):														
Production and receipts: short tons	51,311	60,519	56,392	44,495	96,464	131,000	601,213	797,114	549,214	149,465	43,747	55,429		
Entries from off-shore do	762,870	617,552	598,368	544,041	759,214	471,248	426,594	202,728	215,486	317,409	443,730	558,351	630,496	
Hawaii and Puerto Rico do	287,257	181,301	190,496	159,787	228,846	200,094	283,327	134,361	146,234	29,065	102,247	171,995	208,755	
Deliveries, total do	* 576,171	658,795	* 808,307	* 772,899	* 793,324	* 799,762	* 642,776	* 629,590	* 671,196	* 570,000	* 572,995	* 711,171	* 605,334	
For domestic consumption do	* 571,501	655,372	* 807,178	* 770,119	* 792,922	* 786,379	* 642,462	* 626,133	* 669,122	* 568,000	* 569,723	* 706,617	* 602,341	
For export do	4,670	3,426	1,131	2,780	402	4,383	314	3,457	2,074	2,468	3,272	* 4,554	2,993	
Stocks, raw and refined, end of month thous. of short tons	* 1,568	1,625	1,484	1,239	1,108	929	1,261	1,748	1,927	1,889	1,823	* 1,781	1,786	
Exports short tons	1,039	291	408	439	439	474	351	467	690	583	541	418		
Imports: ^c														
Raw sugar, total do	428,712	331,129	370,023	285,305	333,189	282,688	155,555	118,165	101,403	329,562	303,089	344,404		
From Cuba do	292,522	227,304	201,573	165,368	231,782	160,492	120,246	77,843	87,990	263,644	229,478	256,507		
From Philippine Islands do	136,185	103,825	162,623	115,160	96,432	86,036	35,309	29,774	3,051	65,840	73,610	87,894		
Refined sugar, total do	51,375	57,212	60,048	64,165	40,555	2,585	2,492	859	679	23,063	42,861	68,783		
From Cuba do	45,753	52,728	50,110	60,009	39,455	540	640	103	50	14,144	30,933	54,288		
Prices (New York):														
Raw, wholesale dol. per lb	.062	.061	.061	.062	.061	.060	.059	.062	.060	.060	.060	.058	.059	
Refined:														
Retail ^a dol. per 5 lb	.503	.502	.502	.502	.500	.502	.498	.498	.498	.497	.498	.497	.494	.495
Wholesale dol. per lb	.086	.086	.086	.086	.086	.085	.085	.085	.085	.085	.085	.085	.084	.084
Tea, imports thous. of lb	17,589	13,984	9,828	5,786	5,765	7,114	6,599	7,175	8,494	10,198	10,225	15,459		
TOBACCO														
Leaf:														
Production (crop estimate) mil. of lb														
Stocks, dealers' and manufacturers', end of quarter, total mil. of lb														
	4,084													
Domestic:														
Cigar leaf do														
Air-cured, fire-cured, flue-cured, and miscellaneous domestic mil. of lb														
	3,546													
Foreign grown:														
Cigar leaf do														
Cigarette tobacco do														
	17													
Exports, including scrap and stems thous. of lb	27,560	28,593	26,787	28,964	29,262	59,066	98,549	58,315	39,278	30,927	28,033	36,387		
Imports, including scrap and stems do	9,531	8,699	9,188	8,280	10,300	9,849	8,856	8,969	7,640	8,699	8,482	9,594		
Manufactured products:														
Production, manufactured tobacco, total do	17,369	17,243	17,883	14,557	18,363	18,866	18,252	16,983	14,556	16,251	15,608	18,618	16,636	
Chewing, plug, and twist do	6,723	6,906	7,435	6,411	7,196	7,105	7,021	6,857	5,689	6,536	7,012	7,253	6,454	
Smoking do	7,356	7,030	6,953	5,962	7,612	8,361	8,214	6,933	5,764	6,516	6,377	7,653	6,832	
Snuff do	3,290	3,307	3,495	2,184	3,555	3,399	3,017	3,193	3,104	3,199	3,309	3,711	3,349	
Consumption (withdrawals):														
Cigarettes (small):														
Tax-free millions	2,485	2,487	2,798	2,759	2,501	3,395	2,472	3,298	2,805	2,644	2,516	2,672	2,390	
Tax-paid do	30,499	31,863	34,998	29,959	34,568	31,964	31,593	29,699	26,651	30,438	28,655	33,695	28,788	
Cigars (large), tax-paid ^b thousands	445,991	483,650	510,197	434,978	526,817	503,475	501,498	573,184	425,958	408,334	399,885	467,522	445,701	
Manufactured tobacco and snuff, tax-paid ^b thous. of lb														
	17,402	16,944	17,643	14,275	17,902	18,487	17,219	16,790	14,842	15,924	14,968	* 18,242	16,320	
Exports, cigarettes millions	1,415	1,339	1,310	1,273	1,006	1,200	1,342	1,432	1,399	1,109	1,447	1,243		
Price, wholesale, cigarettes, manufacturer to wholesaler and jobber, f. o. b. destination dol. per thous.														
	3,938	3,938	3,938	3,938	3,938	3,938	3,938	3,938	3,938	3,938	3,938	3,938	3,938	

LEATHER AND PRODUCTS

HIDES AND SKINS	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May
Imports, total hides and skins thous. of lb	13,492	14,633	11,554	10,491	10,842	8,879	8,713	9,560	7,125	9,227	9,217	16,806		
Calf and kip skins thous. of pieces	26	101	153	161	63	106	142	147	55	91	117	83		
Cattle hides do	13	10	33	38	46	13	23	109	45	51	58	43		
Goat and kid skins do	2,440	2,268	2,166	2,163	2,265	2,414	1,876	2,365	1,836	2,513	1,701	2,422		
Sheep and lamb skins do	3,288	3,757	2,219	1,538	2,213	1,097	909	901	628	986	1,576	5,052		
Prices, wholesale (Chicago):														
Calfskins, packer, heavy, 9½/15 lb dol. per lb	.413	.475	.455	.425	.350	.300	.325	.350	.325	.325	.375	.400	.490	
Hides, steer, heavy, native, over 63 lb do	.108	.128	.118	.123	.133	.123	.113	.123	.098	.108	.108	.105	.118	
LEATHER														
Production:														
Calf and kip thous. of skins	712	706	751	634	783	730	787	945	986	956	945	1,024		
Cattle hide thous. of hides	2,039	2,016	2,038	1,643	2,010	1,959	2,009	2,071	2,189	2,109	2,085	2,332		
Goat and kid thous. of skins	2,149	2,124	2,477	2,078	2,121	1,920	1,951	2,078	2,186	2,197	2,171	2,433		
Sheep and lamb do	2,001	2,172	2,141	1,613	2,320	2,036	1,873	1,959	1,923	1,923	2,117	2,144		
Exports:														
Sole leather:														
Bends, backs, and sides thous. of lb	78	93	48	90	23	33	50	66	61	34	32	102		
Offal, including welting and belting offal do	58	15	116	39	37	6	18	48	39	19	20	73		
Upper leather thous. of sq. ft	4,950	3,779	2,951	2,728	3,183	3,723	3,300	3,592	3,574	3,224	3,418			

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	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	
TEXTILE PRODUCTS—Continued															
COTTON															
Cotton (exclusive of linters):															
Production:															
Ginnings [§] thous. of running bales															
Crop estimate, equivalent 500-lb. bales															
thous. of bales															
Consumption [¶] bales															
Stocks in the United States, end of month, total [¶] thous. of bales															
Domestic cotton, total															
do															
On farms and in transit															
do															
Public storage and compresses															
do															
Consuming establishments															
do															
Foreign cotton, total															
do															
Exports bales															
Imports [¶] do															
Prices (farm), American upland cents per lb.															
Prices, wholesale, middling, ¹⁹⁴⁶ , average 10 markets cents per lb.															
Cotton linters [¶]															
Consumption thous. of bales															
Production do															
Stocks, end of month do															
COTTON MANUFACTURES															
Cotton cloth:															
Cotton broad-woven goods over 12 inches in width, production, quarterly [¶] mil. of linear yards															
Exports thous. of sq. yd.															
Imports [¶] do															
Prices, wholesale:															
Mill margins cents per lb.															
Denim, 28-inch cents per yd.															
Print cloth, 39-inch, 68 x 72 do															
Sheeting, in gray, 40-inch, 48 x 44-48 do															
Cotton yarn, natural stock, on cones or tubes:															
Prices, wholesale, f. o. b. mill:															
20/2, carded, weaving dol. per lb.															
36/2, combed, knitting do															
Spindle activity (cotton system spindles): [¶]															
Active spindles, last working day, total thous.															
Consuming 100 percent cotton do															
Spindle hours operated, all fibers, total mil. of hr.															
Average per working day do															
Consuming 100 percent cotton do															
Operations as percent of capacity															
RAYON AND ACETATE AND MFRS.															
Filament yarn and staple:															
Shipments, domestic, producers [¶] :															
Filament yarn mil. of lb.															
Staple (incl. tow) do															
Stocks, producers [¶] , end of month:															
Filament yarn do															
Staple (incl. tow) do															
Imports thous. of lb.															
Prices, wholesale:															
Yarn, viscose, 150 denier, filament, f. o. b. shipping point dol. per lb.															
Staple, viscose, 1½ denier do															
Rayon and acetate broad-woven goods, production, quarterly [¶] thous. of linear yards															
SILK															
Silk, raw:															
Imports thous. of lb.															
Price, wholesale, white, Japanese, 20/22 denier, 87% (AA), f. o. b. warehouse dol. per lb.															
WOOL															
Consumption, mill (clean basis): [¶]															
Apparel class thous. of lb.															
Carpet class do															
Imports, clean content [¶] do															
Apparel class (dutiable), clean content* do															
Prices, wholesale, raw, Boston:															
Territory, 6ds, 70s, 80s, clean basis dol. per lb.															
Bright fleece, 56s-58s, clean basis do															
Australian, 6ds, 70s, good topmaking, clean basis, in bond dol. per lb.															

* Revised. ^a Preliminary. ^b Ginnings to December 13. ^c Ginnings to January 16. ^d Total ginnings of 1954 crop. ^e Data cover a 5-week period.

[¶] Total ginnings to end of month indicated.

[¶] Data for June, September, and December 1954 and March 1955 cover 5-week periods and for other months, 4 weeks; stocks and number of active spindles are for end of period covered.

^{*} Revisions for 1952 appear in corresponding note in April 1954 SURVEY.

^a New series. Imports of wool are compiled by the U. S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census; dutiable wool covers essentially the apparel class; data prior to April 1952 will be shown later.

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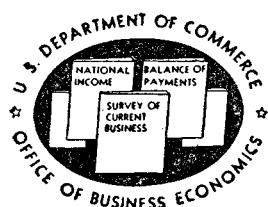
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