

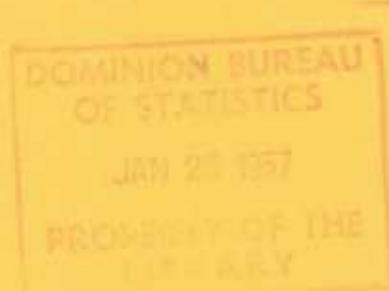
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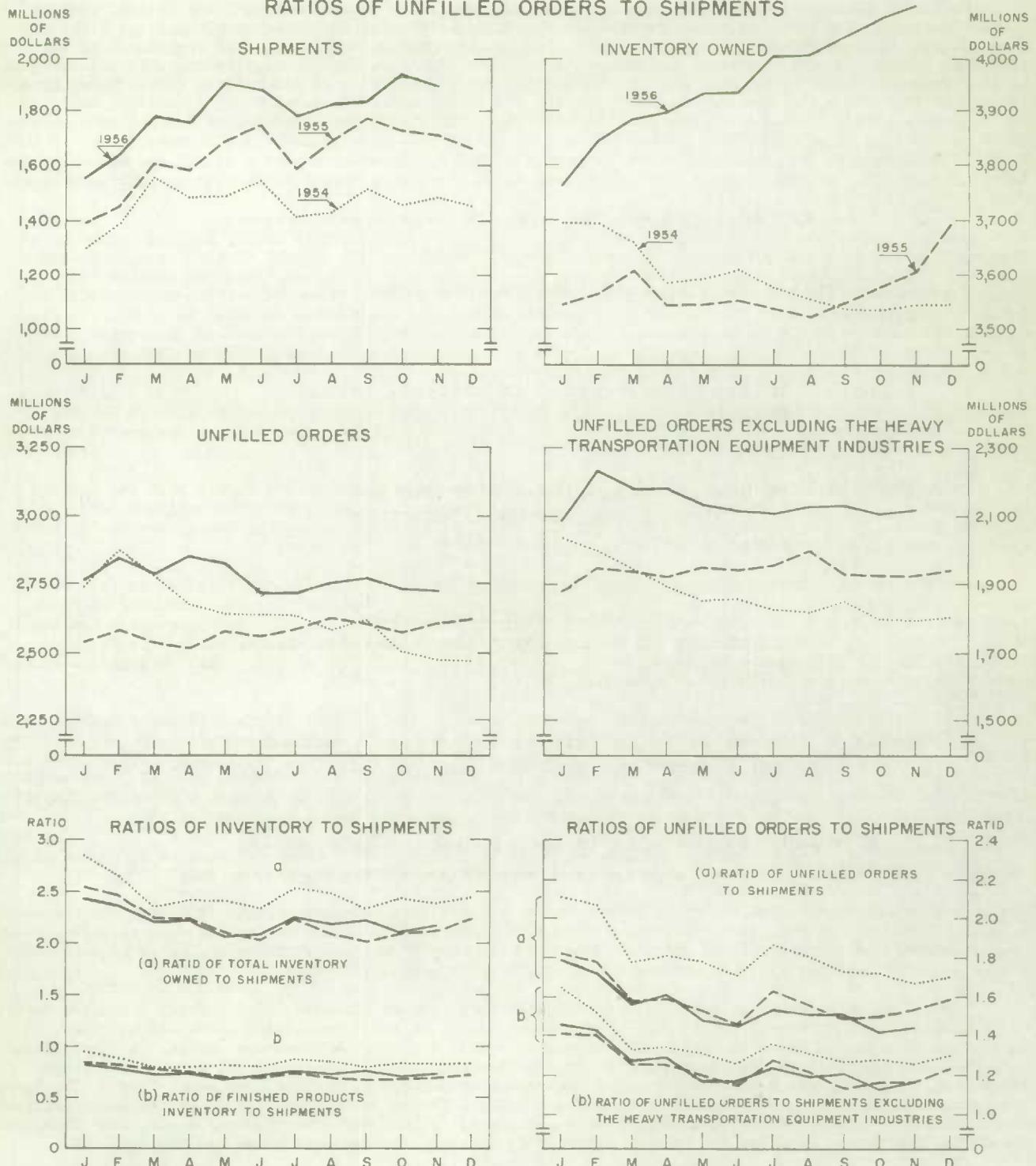
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ESTIMATED VALUES OF SHIPMENTS, INVENTORY OWNED, AND
UNFILLED ORDERS IN ALL MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES
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TREND SUMMARY

Preliminary estimates indicate the following trends for November:

SHIPMENTS : Total value of manufacturers' shipments for the month at \$1,895 million was \$46 million (2.4%) below the revised level of October 1956 and \$189 million (11%) above the level for the same month last year. The 11-month cumulative total at \$19,767 million was 10% higher than the total of \$17,913 million for the same period of 1955.

Decreases during November were general. All industry groups (Standard Industrial Classification) showed decreases with the exception of Transportation Equipment which increased by \$29 million (18%) and Miscellaneous Industries which remained virtually unchanged. Largest decreases were registered in the following groups: Foods, Beverages and Tobacco Products \$13 million (3%); Rubber Products \$5 million (14%); Leather Products \$2 million (8%); Clothing \$8 million (8%); Wood Products \$18 million (14%); Paper Products \$8 million (5%); Iron and Steel Products \$7 million (3%) and Chemical Products \$6 million (6%). All industry groups showed increases as compared with November, 1955, with the exception of Electrical Apparatus which declined by \$6 million (6%). While the bulk of the increases were in the 1-10% range, Iron and Steel Products increased by 25%, Transportation Equipment by 40%, Non-Metallic Minerals by 33% and Miscellaneous Industries by 29%. In the 11-month cumulative comparison all groups showed increases as compared with the same period of 1955.

Using Economic-Use Classification, all industry groups showed declines during November with the exception of Motor Vehicles and related industries which increased by \$26 million (21%). Largest declines occurred in Semi-Durable Consumers' Goods \$10 million (7%); Durable Consumers' Goods \$4 million (5%); Construction Goods \$9 million (5%) and Export Goods \$20 million (6%). Compared with November, 1955, all groups showed increases with the exception of Durable Consumers' Goods which declined by \$7 million (10%). Largest increases were 27% in Construction Goods and 44% in Motor Vehicles and Related Industries. All groups showed increases for the first eleven months as compared with the same period of 1955 with the exception of Durable Consumers' Goods which remained unchanged.

INVENTORIES : Value of inventory owned by manufacturers at \$4,098 million was \$26 million (0.6%) higher than the revised October value of \$4,072 million and \$478 million (13%) higher than at the end of November, 1955.

Value of inventory held but not owned at \$576 million was \$8 million (1%) higher than the revised October value. The change in total inventory held was, therefore, an increase of \$34 million over the previous month. Raw materials increased by \$22 million (1%), Goods in Process by \$4 million (0.3%) and Finished Products by \$7 million (0.5%).

Changes in total inventory owned during November for Standard Industrial Classification groups were on the whole upward but in most cases the increases were marginal. Largest increases occurred in Foods, Beverages and Tobacco Products \$15 million (2%); Paper Products \$3 million (1%); Transportation Equipment \$6 million (2%) and Chemical Products \$13 million (5%). Largest decreases were registered in Clothing \$4 million (2%); Wood Products \$10 million (4%) and Non Ferrous Metals \$2 million (1%). All groups showed substantial increases over the end of November, 1955.

Using Economic Use Classification, the main increases during November occurred in Heavy Transportation \$5 million (4%); Motor Vehicles and Related Industries \$2 million (1%) and Intermediate Goods and Supplies \$26 million (5%). Decreases were registered in Semi-Durable Consumers' Goods \$4 million (1%); Construction Goods \$4 million (1%) and Export Goods \$8 million (1%). All groups showed increases over the same month last year with the largest increases occurring in Other Capital Goods 20%, Construction Goods 20%, Export Goods 17%, Motor Vehicles and Related Industries 25% and Intermediate Goods and Supplies 18%.

The ratios of total inventory owned to shipments at 2.16 and of finished products to shipments at .72 were up slightly from the October levels but lower than the average for the year to date.

ORDERS : New orders received during November were \$1,888 million, down \$20 million (1%) from the revised October values, but \$149 million (9%) higher than in November, 1955. Since new orders were slightly lower than shipments for the month, total unfilled orders declined by \$8 million (0.3%). The value of unfilled orders at \$2,722 million was \$117 million (4.5%) above the November 1955 level.

Trends in Unfilled orders during the month were mixed. Using Economic - Use groups, increases occurred in Semi-Durable Consumers' Goods, 5%; Other Capital Goods, 4% and Intermediate Goods and Supplies, 4%. Largest decreases were shown in Perishable Consumers' Goods, 5%; Durable Consumers' Goods, 4%; Heavy Transportation Equipment, 3%; Export Goods, 2%; Motor Vehicles and Related Industries, 4% and Unclassifiable Industries, 1%. Compared with November, 1955, decreases were shown in Durable Consumers' Goods, 27%; Heavy Transportation Equipment, 4%; Export Goods, 1%; and Unclassifiable Industries, 4%; while increases occurred in Perishable Consumers' Goods, 11%; Semi-Durable Consumers' Goods, 4%; Other Capital Goods, 23%; Construction Goods, 25%; Motor Vehicles and Related Industries, 30%; and Intermediate Goods and Supplies, 3%.

Table 1. - ESTIMATED VALUE OF SHIPMENTS, ORDERS AND INVENTORY
IN ALL MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES, by months. (1)

(in thousands of dollars)

(For definitions, see Page 42.)

Date	SHIPMENTS (2)	ORDERS		INVENTORY AT END OF MONTH			
		New Orders Received During Month	Unfilled Orders at end of Month	Owned	Held but not Owned	All	Inventory Held
						TOTAL	Raw Materials
1952 -							
January	1,301,514	N/A	3,962,772	3,531,550	217,434	3,748,984	1,829,158
February	1,326,577	1,310,467	3,946,662	3,530,702	242,913	3,773,615	1,830,178
March	1,378,797	1,314,491	3,882,356	3,512,627	270,939	3,783,566	1,816,069
April	1,404,459	1,307,009	3,784,906	3,445,529	288,340	3,733,869	1,786,230
May	1,498,714	1,514,862	3,801,054	3,441,051	304,616	3,745,667	1,797,377
June	1,450,649	1,364,997	3,715,402	3,457,573	323,721	3,781,294	1,792,891
July	1,387,266	1,359,160	3,687,296	3,444,422	336,508	3,780,930	1,807,903
August	1,351,762	1,109,008	3,444,542	3,449,882	366,814	3,816,696	1,815,699
September	1,480,136	1,377,352	3,341,758	3,463,071	382,758	3,845,829	1,825,492
October	1,540,969	1,271,411	3,072,200	3,452,374	414,093	3,866,467	1,812,908
November	1,409,825	1,413,160	3,075,535	3,458,799	428,033	3,886,832	1,816,161
December	1,408,607	1,559,270	3,226,198	3,510,891	410,030	3,920,921	1,841,423
Total	16,939,275						966,184
1953 -							
January	1,347,187	1,328,042	3,207,053	3,507,154	435,019	3,942,173	1,834,328
February	1,390,021	1,391,019	3,208,051	3,528,945	450,067	3,979,012	1,826,565
March	1,554,699	1,498,531	3,151,883	3,524,546	464,736	3,989,282	1,798,697
April	1,545,309	1,408,646	3,015,220	3,524,631	482,057	4,006,688	1,788,575
May	1,556,442	1,375,386	2,834,164	3,558,638	490,799	4,049,437	1,803,877
June	1,586,835	1,531,391	2,778,720	3,611,162	493,369	4,104,531	1,816,787
July	1,489,175	1,358,955	2,648,500	3,633,387	502,823	4,136,210	1,840,308
August	1,422,636	1,366,820	2,592,684	3,687,568	524,395	4,211,963	1,872,384
September	1,538,289	1,460,022	2,514,417	3,659,124	535,229	4,194,353	1,847,958
October	1,528,088	1,459,566	2,445,895	3,673,852	533,859	4,207,711	1,847,697
November	1,407,783	1,528,737	2,566,849	3,667,752	552,867	4,220,619	1,839,965
December	1,395,140	1,433,894	2,605,603	3,698,551	520,626	4,219,177	1,865,070
Total	17,761,604						1,130,234
1954 -							
January	1,297,014	1,430,478	2,739,067	3,696,418	535,027	4,231,445	1,832,688
February	1,388,766	1,523,444	2,873,745	3,695,095	517,745	4,212,840	1,811,464
March	1,556,557	1,457,669	2,774,857	3,658,256	513,130	4,171,386	1,792,039
April	1,482,807	1,385,647	2,667,697	3,583,337	527,026	4,110,363	1,743,010
May	1,488,055	1,454,485	2,644,127	3,591,657	525,818	4,117,475	1,742,253
June	1,543,491	1,541,082	2,641,718	3,609,364	535,820	4,145,184	1,749,094
July	1,412,968	1,405,780	2,634,530	3,576,311	532,213	4,108,524	1,743,434
August	1,430,678	1,379,478	2,583,330	3,554,494	539,989	4,094,483	1,733,384
September	1,515,791	1,552,956	2,620,495	3,537,040	561,669	4,098,709	1,718,144
October	1,457,178	1,341,460	2,504,777	3,535,315	552,439	4,087,754	1,713,056
November	1,483,530	1,452,694	2,473,941	3,542,131	550,636	4,092,767	1,718,517
December	1,453,205	1,450,270	2,471,006	3,544,504	528,255	4,072,759	1,730,050
Total	17,510,040						1,123,657
1955 -							
January	1,391,452	1,459,468	2,538,638	3,542,636	532,471	4,075,107	1,749,350
February	1,447,827	1,489,194	2,580,005	3,562,947	545,822	4,108,769	1,748,416
March	1,603,457	1,562,952	2,539,500	3,606,697	542,059	4,148,756	1,749,412
April	1,582,217	1,557,974	2,515,257	3,541,600	539,331	4,080,931	1,733,022
May	1,685,120	1,748,939	2,579,076	3,543,087	538,866	4,081,953	1,727,755
June	1,745,515	1,724,975	2,558,536	3,550,913	546,172	4,097,085	1,715,113
July	1,583,876	1,611,855	2,586,515	3,537,064	533,321	4,070,385	1,743,465
August	1,685,029	1,724,233	2,625,719	3,522,254	543,947	4,066,201	1,718,349
September	1,764,438	1,744,396	2,605,677	3,546,701	553,439	4,100,140	1,719,967
October	1,717,071	1,685,372	2,573,978	3,576,809	566,045	4,142,854	1,762,698
November	1,706,628	1,738,503	2,605,853	3,606,633	556,280	4,162,913	1,791,532
December	1,652,630	1,669,638	(3)2,622,861	3,691,444	515,766	4,207,210	1,820,414
TOTAL	19,565,260						1,168,291
1956 -							
January	1,546,084	1,690,333	2,767,110	3,760,212	508,658	4,268,870	1,842,717
February	1,637,075	1,692,501	2,822,536	3,842,838	520,831	4,363,669	1,874,307
March	1,776,057	1,740,502	2,786,981	3,881,960	507,617	4,389,577	1,881,083
April	1,754,167	1,815,932	2,848,746	3,894,984	523,425	4,418,409	1,880,597
May	1,903,238	1,873,540	2,819,048	3,930,912	544,576	4,475,488	1,900,456
June	1,881,282	1,786,889	2,724,655	3,993,391	547,148	4,540,535	1,922,186
July	1,777,520	1,771,753	2,718,888	4,006,231	538,947	4,545,178	1,952,390
August	1,826,286	1,857,940	2,750,542	4,008,507	544,196	4,552,703	1,963,518
September(4)	1,828,924	1,841,695	2,763,313	4,040,187	555,892	4,596,079	1,967,754
October (4)	1,941,324	1,907,900	2,729,889	4,072,337	568,144	4,640,481	1,996,430
November (4)	1,895,291	1,887,626	2,722,224	4,097,807	575,957	4,673,764	2,018,471
December							1,284,969

(1) Table 1 includes estimates for all items in all industries; in Tables 2 and 3 following, which represent two different breakdowns of the all-industry totals, some items were omitted as noted, and SIC group 9 (Printing and Publishing) has been omitted from Table 2. (2) Annual shipments values differ slightly from published Census of Industry totals, due to inventory adjustments for certain industries where Census of Industry data represent production rather than shipments values. (3) December, 1955 value includes a downward revision of \$16.7 million because of a change in method of reporting by one firm. (4) Preliminary.

Table 2 - ESTIMATED VALUE OF SHIPMENTS; ORDERS AND INVENTORY IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES
GROUPED ACCORDING TO THE STANDARD INDUSTRIAL CLASSIFICATION, by months. (1)
(in thousands of dollars)

(a) S.I.C. Groups 1 and 2 - FOODS AND BEVERAGES,
and TOBACCO AND TOBACCO PRODUCTS
(For definitions, see Page 42.)
(For industries included, see Page 40.)

Date	SHIPMENTS (2)	ORDERS		INVENTORY AT END OF MONTH					
		New Orders Received During Month	Unfilled Orders at end of Month	Owned	Held but not Owned	All Inventory Held			
						TOTAL	Raw Materials	Goods in Process	
1952 -									
January	288,461	(3)	(3)	699,888	-	699,888	383,133	96,036	220,719
February	274,505			681,243	-	681,243	376,110	97,604	207,529
March	273,133			666,750	-	666,750	369,115	101,989	195,646
April	299,975			648,109	-	648,109	357,471	104,485	186,153
May	332,813			654,173	-	654,173	356,533	107,183	190,457
June	319,390			653,280	-	653,280	343,130	108,246	201,904
July	329,126			648,925	-	648,925	334,779	108,050	206,096
August	295,299			657,360	-	651,360	319,605	108,811	222,944
September	302,858			678,015	-	678,015	313,360	109,202	255,453
October	324,464			687,919	-	687,919	311,947	108,856	267,116
November	311,166			688,925	-	688,925	315,898	110,632	262,395
December	316,589			687,235	-	687,235	328,841	107,536	250,858
Total	3,667,779								
1953 -									
January	269,718			675,227	-	675,227	330,860	108,521	235,846
February	262,849			670,424	-	670,424	338,052	112,013	220,359
March	294,087			651,570	-	651,570	330,614	113,528	207,428
April	295,095			651,167	-	651,167	332,077	114,996	204,094
May	315,360			659,436	-	659,436	332,113	117,220	210,103
June	330,126			670,210	-	670,210	332,069	117,984	220,157
July	327,342			670,998	-	670,998	331,502	116,291	223,205
August	310,910			685,349	-	685,349	330,249	115,968	239,132
September	317,730			693,446	-	693,446	319,660	114,091	259,695
October	333,989			717,449	-	717,449	327,117	114,429	275,903
November	322,556			718,193	-	718,193	331,741	114,614	271,838
December	326,573			704,811	-	704,811	345,206	111,471	248,134
Total	3,706,335								
1954 -									
January	266,848			692,133	-	692,133	346,783	113,883	231,467
February	279,796			682,363	-	682,363	351,135	113,090	218,138
March	315,435			680,633	-	680,633	362,188	114,937	203,508
April	301,699			660,122	-	660,122	350,303	116,219	193,600
May	314,280			673,762	-	673,762	356,234	117,478	200,050
June	348,245			686,517	-	686,517	361,678	117,773	207,066
July	319,103			673,343	-	673,343	344,512	115,247	213,584
August	308,292			690,363	-	690,363	337,199	115,068	238,096
September	326,370			720,304	-	720,304	338,578	114,649	267,077
October	321,734			722,603	-	722,603	331,763	114,641	276,199
November	323,593			739,600	-	739,600	351,426	113,760	274,414
December	342,938			726,909	-	726,909	359,067	110,290	257,552
Total	3,768,333								
1955 -									
January	288,399			704,289	-	704,289	365,124	112,201	226,964
February	281,892			695,285	-	695,285	369,225	113,340	212,720
March	311,024			688,065	-	688,065	371,603	114,397	202,065
April	311,473			667,298	-	667,298	367,794	114,952	184,552
May	335,156			675,177	-	675,177	362,776	118,689	193,712
June	354,009			680,149	-	680,149	354,140	119,425	206,584
July	345,092			669,254	-	669,254	348,610	120,444	200,400
August	356,068			679,712	-	679,712	335,722	117,640	226,350
September	355,722			700,709	-	700,709	320,902	118,821	260,986
October	341,872			721,768	-	721,768	329,346	132,561	259,861
November	343,202			721,205	-	721,205	346,747	117,525	256,933
December	347,283			718,014	-	718,014	357,182	110,946	249,886
TOTAL	3,971,192								
1956 -									
January	303,412			720,164	-	720,164	368,399	108,186	243,579
February	306,384			703,497	-	703,497	366,630	109,959	226,908
March	329,139			683,723	-	683,723	364,902	110,503	208,318
April	323,513			683,718	-	683,718	366,853	113,404	203,461
May	361,998			681,108	-	681,108	366,682	116,336	198,090
June	376,122			694,342	-	694,342	363,253	120,173	210,916
July	372,895			698,140	-	698,140	358,930	123,194	216,016
August	380,328			711,985	-	711,985	350,769	124,401	236,815
September ⁽³⁾	372,877			739,861	-	739,861	345,456	124,510	269,895
October (4)	392,240			750,912	-	750,912	356,674	127,367	266,871
November (4)	379,355			766,220	-	766,220	374,889	124,258	267,073

(1) See footnote 1, page 12. (2) See footnote 2, page 4.

(3) The value of Unfilled Orders for industries in this group is small, and sample coverage is not adequate to provide separate estimates for the group.

(4) Preliminary.

Table 2 (Cont'd) - ESTIMATED VALUE OF SHIPMENTS, ORDERS AND INVENTORY IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES

GROUPED ACCORDING TO THE STANDARD INDUSTRIAL CLASSIFICATION, by months. (1)

(in thousands of dollars)

(b) S.I.C. Group 3 - RUBBER PRODUCTS

(For definitions, see Page 42)

(For industries included, see Page 40)

Date	SHIPMENTS(2)	ORDERS		INVENTORY AT END OF MONTH					
		New Orders Received During Month	Unfilled Orders at end of Month	Owned	Held but not Owned	All	Inventory	Held	
						TOTAL	Raw Materials	Goods in Process	Finished Products
1952 -									
January	21,829	(3)	(3)	73,589	-	73,589	22,311	7,616	43,662
February	23,237			72,925	-	72,925	21,124	7,649	44,152
March	25,134			72,033	-	72,033	20,240	7,494	44,299
April	23,274			71,570	-	71,570	18,751	7,365	45,454
May	24,912			70,058	-	70,058	17,932	7,020	45,106
June	24,840			69,041	-	69,041	17,982	6,774	44,285
July	22,737			67,287	-	67,287	17,906	6,784	42,597
August	23,460			62,351	-	62,351	17,078	6,738	38,535
September	28,263			59,328	-	59,328	16,581	6,764	35,983
October	28,061			58,299	-	58,299	15,467	6,788	36,044
November	22,798			60,132	-	60,132	14,770	6,744	38,618
December	22,505			63,566	-	63,566	17,422	6,716	39,428
Total	291,050								
1953 -									
January	19,532			63,396	-	63,396	15,379	7,133	40,884
February	22,574			65,177	-	65,177	15,018	7,131	43,028
March	25,232			66,685	-	66,685	15,299	7,089	44,297
April	25,496			66,835	-	66,835	15,478	6,921	44,436
May	24,933			67,223	-	67,223	15,297	6,861	45,065
June	26,003			67,335	-	67,335	15,109	6,713	45,513
July	23,606			65,611	-	65,611	15,070	6,394	44,147
August	23,912			63,967	-	63,967	15,490	7,009	41,468
September	25,720			63,494	-	63,494	15,004	6,959	40,531
October	25,082			62,982	-	62,982	15,541	6,446	40,995
November	21,228			65,320	-	65,320	15,305	6,180	43,835
December	20,227			68,173	-	68,173	16,023	6,422	45,728
Total	283,545								
1954 -									
January	19,451			67,560	-	67,560	14,801	6,554	46,205
February	21,792			68,547	-	68,547	14,665	6,443	47,439
March	21,771			69,374	-	69,374	14,270	6,470	48,634
April	23,263			67,818	-	67,818	13,791	6,283	47,744
May	22,433			68,529	-	68,529	13,960	6,207	48,362
June	21,698			69,595	-	69,595	13,790	6,042	49,763
July	20,094			68,411	-	68,411	13,887	6,168	48,356
August	22,587			64,827	-	64,827	13,595	6,482	44,750
September	24,915			62,630	-	62,630	13,430	6,572	42,628
October	23,527			62,020	-	62,020	13,775	6,543	41,702
November	21,285			64,652	-	64,652	13,489	6,644	44,519
December	21,372			66,489	-	66,489	16,421	6,462	43,606
Total	264,188								
1955 -									
January	26,946			61,034	-	61,034	15,081	6,613	39,340
February	23,337			62,288	-	62,288	15,293	6,766	40,229
March	23,045			65,202	-	65,202	16,141	6,918	42,143
April	23,011			67,958	-	67,958	17,065	7,014	43,879
May	25,968			68,570	-	68,570	17,106	6,992	44,472
June	27,756			67,996	-	67,996	16,219	6,739	45,038
July	27,879			65,423	-	65,423	16,829	6,569	42,025
August	26,315			64,652	-	64,652	18,200	7,103	39,349
September	28,213			66,162	-	66,162	19,393	7,427	39,342
October	28,740			66,756	-	66,756	19,983	7,373	39,400
November	27,156			71,504	-	71,504	20,535	7,684	43,285
December	24,347			79,074	-	79,074	24,747	8,138	46,189
TOTAL	310,713								
1956 -									
January	22,748			81,832	-	81,832	23,757	8,396	49,679
February	23,769			84,869	-	84,869	23,071	8,428	53,370
March	26,352			87,051	-	87,051	23,743	8,457	54,851
April	30,442			86,072	-	86,072	21,826	8,429	55,817
May	32,858			83,930	-	83,930	20,078	8,477	55,375
June	31,568			83,226	-	83,226	20,001	8,555	54,670
July	29,334			81,051	-	81,051	19,509	8,153	53,389
August	28,388			80,279	-	80,279	19,711	8,743	51,825
September ⁽⁴⁾	29,279			81,672	-	81,672	20,249	8,936	52,487
October (4)	33,455			82,423	-	82,423	20,416	8,756	53,251
November (4)	28,762			83,818	-	83,818	20,338	8,838	54,642

(1) See footnote 1, page 4. (2) See footnote 2, page 4.

(3) The value of Unfilled Orders for industries in this group is small, and sample coverage is not adequate to provide separate estimates for the group.

(4) Preliminary.

Table 2 (Cont'd.) - ESTIMATED VALUE OF SHIPMENTS, ORDERS AND INVENTORY IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES
GROUPED ACCORDING TO THE STANDARD INDUSTRIAL CLASSIFICATION, by months. (1)
(in thousands of dollars)
(c) S.I.C. Group 4 - LEATHER PRODUCTS
(For definitions, see Page 42)
(For industries included, see Page 40)

Date	SHIPMENTS (2)	ORDERS		INVENTORY AT END OF MONTH					
		New Orders Received During Month	Unfilled Orders at end of Month	Owned	Held but not Owned	All Inventory Held			
						TOTAL	Raw Materials	Goods in Process	Finished Products
1952 -									
January	16,309	N/A	19,838	65,946	-	65,946	32,892	13,873	19,181
February	19,156	18,464	19,146	63,458	-	63,458	31,797	12,916	18,745
March	20,176	19,847	18,817	58,319	-	58,319	28,858	12,485	16,976
April	18,931	18,887	18,773	55,360	-	55,360	27,323	12,200	15,837
May	18,196	18,682	19,259	53,614	-	53,614	26,359	11,669	15,586
June	16,018	17,884	21,125	54,560	-	54,560	27,000	11,691	15,869
July	14,293	14,834	21,666	54,918	-	54,918	27,805	12,189	14,924
August	19,588	18,054	20,132	53,205	-	53,205	27,486	12,155	13,564
September	21,219	21,884	20,797	52,193	-	52,193	26,864	12,991	12,338
October	21,196	21,650	21,251	52,133	-	52,133	26,865	12,809	12,459
November	17,661	21,806	25,396	51,648	-	51,648	25,730	13,003	12,915
December	16,458	18,606	27,544	53,215	-	53,215	24,702	13,172	15,341
Total	219,201								
1953 -									
January	18,477	19,734	28,801	55,033	-	55,033	25,678	14,498	14,857
February	20,730	17,119	25,190	54,562	-	54,562	25,125	14,619	14,818
March	23,451	21,395	23,134	53,359	-	53,359	24,603	14,498	14,258
April	21,464	19,060	20,730	52,124	-	52,124	23,776	13,909	14,439
May	19,277	18,105	19,558	52,699	-	52,699	24,006	13,518	15,175
June	16,841	16,158	18,875	52,987	-	52,987	23,827	13,339	15,821
July	14,912	15,578	19,541	53,084	-	53,084	24,287	13,059	15,738
August	20,366	20,684	19,859	52,772	-	52,772	23,734	13,584	15,454
September	19,942	15,280	15,197	51,690	-	51,690	23,033	13,202	15,455
October	18,086	19,675	16,786	51,504	-	51,504	22,685	13,122	15,697
November	14,991	18,704	20,499	51,319	-	51,319	21,293	13,362	16,664
December	13,873	17,801	24,427	53,370	-	53,370	23,340	12,087	17,943
Total	222,410								
1954 -									
January	16,436	10,068	18,059	53,099	-	53,099	22,522	12,970	17,607
February	19,104	24,888	23,843	51,363	-	51,363	21,875	12,636	16,852
March	21,497	17,450	19,796	49,656	-	49,656	21,127	11,980	16,549
April	18,715	17,494	18,575	48,803	-	48,803	20,227	11,755	16,821
May	15,931	17,653	20,297	48,957	-	48,957	20,357	11,173	17,427
June	14,851	13,570	19,016	50,381	-	50,381	20,266	10,916	19,199
July	13,454	12,219	17,781	50,332	-	50,332	21,277	10,630	18,425
August	19,216	18,766	17,331	48,850	-	48,850	20,713	10,697	17,440
September	20,185	18,275	15,421	47,365	-	47,365	20,424	10,297	16,644
October	16,668	16,304	15,057	46,511	-	46,511	19,949	10,274	16,288
November	14,755	19,369	19,671	48,004	-	48,004	20,021	10,522	17,461
December	13,623	15,331	21,379	49,972	-	49,972	20,913	9,854	19,205
Total	204,435								
1955 -									
January	16,996	19,293	23,676	51,207	-	51,207	20,981	10,659	19,567
February	18,628	18,499	23,547	51,716	-	51,716	21,317	11,246	19,153
March	22,234	18,827	20,140	51,778	-	51,778	21,876	11,461	18,441
April	19,526	17,806	18,420	50,284	-	50,284	21,304	11,163	17,817
May	17,870	20,566	21,116	50,841	-	50,841	21,765	11,317	17,759
June	16,200	18,543	23,459	52,948	-	52,948	21,974	11,938	19,036
July	13,413	13,905	23,951	53,219	-	53,219	22,733	12,142	18,344
August	21,758	20,409	22,602	50,727	-	50,727	21,699	12,323	16,705
September	22,751	20,294	20,145	49,658	-	49,658	22,001	11,818	15,839
October	19,904	24,066	24,307	49,142	-	49,142	21,993	11,752	15,397
November	18,943	25,266	30,630	50,710	-	50,710	22,348	11,809	16,553
December	16,791	15,412	29,251	54,110	-	54,110	23,403	12,467	18,240
TOTAL	225,014								
1956 -									
January	18,695	20,537	31,093	55,875	-	55,875	25,049	12,340	18,486
February	21,848	19,318	28,563	56,936	-	56,936	26,078	12,534	18,324
March	22,601	18,072	24,234	56,386	-	56,386	26,009	12,409	17,968
April	20,148	18,315	22,401	57,201	-	57,201	26,405	12,264	18,532
May	19,990	20,226	22,637	57,585	-	57,585	26,029	12,065	19,491
June	16,691	20,264	26,210	59,449	-	59,449	26,435	11,978	21,036
July	14,797	14,360	25,773	59,762	-	59,762	26,770	12,098	20,894
August	22,276	19,804	23,301	56,794	-	56,794	26,069	11,785	18,940
September(3)	21,264	21,754	23,791	55,595	-	55,595	25,592	12,162	17,841
October (3)	21,825	24,566	26,526	55,813	-	55,813	25,824	12,090	17,899
November(3)	20,088	22,647	29,085	56,622	-	56,622	25,257	12,518	18,847

(1) See footnote 1, page 4. (2) See footnote 2, page 4. (3) Preliminary.

Table 2 (Cont'd) - ESTIMATED VALUE OF SHIPMENTS, ORDERS AND INVENTORY IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES GROUPED ACCORDING TO THE STANDARD INDUSTRIAL CLASSIFICATION, by months. (1)
(in thousands of dollars)

(d) S.I.C. Group 5 - TEXTILE PRODUCTS (except Clothing)
(For definitions, see Page 42)
(For industries included, see Page 40)

Date	SHIPMENTS (2)	ORDERS		INVENTORY AT END OF MONTH					
		New Orders Received During Month	Unfilled Orders at end of Month	Owned	Held but not Owned	All Inventory		Held	
						TOTAL	Raw Materials	Goods in Process	Finished Products
1952 -									
January	67,086	N/A	129,341	234,673	-	234,673	110,935	57,150	66,588
February	65,565	52,416	116,192	230,989	-	230,989	107,724	56,361	66,904
March	70,042	53,545	99,695	221,604	-	221,604	102,833	53,578	65,193
April	60,459	58,281	97,517	210,222	-	210,222	95,267	50,564	64,391
May	59,202	57,609	95,924	203,744	-	203,744	90,534	49,210	64,000
June	57,552	52,304	90,676	200,432	-	200,432	88,758	47,543	64,131
July	56,097	56,414	90,993	195,448	-	195,448	88,409	46,133	60,906
August	59,319	64,762	96,436	192,657	-	192,657	86,995	48,136	57,526
September	66,949	71,762	101,249	188,647	-	188,647	85,837	46,700	56,110
October	69,593	70,801	102,457	189,171	-	189,171	84,579	47,799	56,793
November	64,498	68,887	106,846	193,739	-	193,739	86,373	48,110	59,256
December	58,436	60,572	108,982	196,635	-	196,635	86,174	48,955	61,506
Total	754,798								
1953 -									
January	65,839	62,333	105,476	198,808	-	198,808	85,443	50,342	63,023
February	66,066	62,947	102,357	198,908	-	198,908	86,741	48,700	63,467
March	67,303	63,489	98,543	199,294	-	199,294	85,590	48,832	64,872
April	61,307	55,791	93,027	204,140	-	204,140	84,306	49,036	70,798
May	58,272	48,578	83,333	206,265	-	206,265	84,270	49,493	72,502
June	60,099	58,911	82,145	207,328	-	207,328	83,664	48,646	75,018
July	53,670	52,319	80,794	206,207	-	206,207	85,035	49,703	71,469
August	53,094	48,291	75,991	204,890	-	204,890	85,143	48,893	70,854
September	58,399	45,939	63,531	202,160	-	202,160	81,229	49,022	71,909
October	57,305	59,102	65,328	199,453	-	199,453	78,846	47,765	72,842
November	52,001	51,692	65,019	199,235	-	199,235	78,899	47,349	72,987
December	47,335	46,534	64,218	197,947	-	197,947	77,171	47,191	73,585
Total	700,690								
1954 -									
January	52,440	48,450	60,228	196,620	-	196,620	74,916	48,104	73,600
February	51,077	48,867	58,018	193,720	-	193,720	72,559	48,053	73,108
March	57,799	58,918	59,137	191,164	-	191,164	72,031	48,044	71,089
April	51,627	51,137	58,647	188,659	-	188,659	70,659	46,803	71,197
May	51,804	51,891	58,734	187,534	-	187,534	70,049	45,480	72,005
June	54,494	55,646	59,886	185,609	-	185,609	70,340	44,379	70,890
July	45,715	42,411	56,582	181,998	-	181,998	72,174	43,288	66,536
August	51,889	56,227	60,920	178,295	-	178,295	70,576	44,355	63,364
September	58,216	58,915	61,619	177,998	-	177,998	68,459	46,589	62,950
October	55,499	59,856	65,976	176,570	-	176,570	67,572	46,232	62,766
November	56,830	60,692	69,838	175,466	-	175,466	67,316	45,121	63,029
December	54,045	58,407	74,200	180,224	-	180,224	70,443	44,043	65,738
Total	641,435								
1955 -									
January	56,797	60,708	78,111	185,512	-	185,512	73,357	45,025	67,130
February	60,758	63,855	81,208	185,691	-	185,691	73,184	45,829	66,678
March	65,596	60,915	76,527	186,009	-	186,009	72,725	46,208	67,076
April	56,653	54,332	74,206	190,887	-	190,887	73,746	48,364	68,777
May	59,905	55,946	70,247	195,425	-	195,425	74,580	49,329	71,516
June	65,137	64,148	69,258	196,939	-	196,939	71,954	52,393	72,592
July	53,678	58,861	74,441	192,575	-	192,575	72,756	50,117	69,702
August	59,124	65,638	80,955	190,322	-	190,322	72,275	50,357	67,690
September	69,265	76,652	88,342	188,968	-	188,968	72,210	48,466	68,292
October	68,869	72,485	91,958	188,823	-	188,823	73,419	48,588	66,816
November	67,797	71,142	95,303	188,333	-	188,333	71,662	48,001	68,670
December	64,238	58,493	89,868	189,289	-	189,289	71,881	47,107	70,301
TOTAL	747,817								
1956 -									
January	67,861	83,451	105,458	194,549	-	194,549	74,161	49,344	71,044
February	70,849	73,985	108,594	196,494	-	196,494	75,787	50,712	69,995
March	72,917	62,475	98,152	193,935	-	193,935	75,609	49,072	69,254
April	61,208	57,797	94,741	199,165	-	199,165	77,419	47,133	74,613
May	62,789	62,491	94,443	204,249	-	204,249	78,763	45,480	80,006
June	63,546	54,507	85,404	203,209	-	203,209	76,660	47,397	79,152
July	54,491	56,030	86,943	200,878	-	200,878	77,285	46,943	76,650
August	58,232	63,525	92,236	199,711	-	199,711	78,010	48,105	73,596
September (3)	65,142	60,764	87,858	196,516	-	196,516	76,065	45,928	74,523
October (3)	69,668	81,603	99,793	198,708	-	198,708	76,297	46,057	76,354
November (3)	68,660	70,679	101,812	198,190	-	198,190	75,422	46,714	76,054

(1) See footnote 1, page 4.

(2) See footnote 2, page 4.

(3) Preliminary

Table 2 (Cont'd) - ESTIMATED VALUE OF SHIPMENTS, ORDERS AND INVENTORY IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES GROUPED ACCORDING TO THE STANDARD INDUSTRIAL CLASSIFICATION, by months. (1)

(in thousands of dollars)

(e) S.I.C. Group 6 - CLOTHING (TEXTILE AND FUR)

(For definitions, see Page 42)

(For industries included, see Page 40)

Date	SHIPMENTS (2)	ORDERS		INVENTORY AT END OF MONTH					
		New Orders Received During Month	Unfilled Orders at end of Month	Owned	Held but not Owned	All	Inventory	Held	
						TOTAL	Raw Materials	Goods in Process	Finished Products
1952 -									
January	53,627	N/A	102,371	205,746	-	205,746	115,908	26,536	63,302
February	70,323	68,028	100,076	201,658	-	201,658	112,884	27,599	61,175
March	78,089	66,047	86,034	192,160	-	192,160	107,194	27,655	57,311
April	74,175	63,788	75,647	188,491	-	188,491	107,483	26,977	54,031
May	66,910	77,715	86,452	183,499	-	183,499	104,599	26,106	52,794
June	57,100	70,781	100,133	189,567	-	189,567	105,720	27,895	55,952
July	52,374	65,084	112,843	193,126	-	193,126	107,824	30,636	54,666
August	73,193	65,113	104,763	185,916	-	185,916	105,098	30,941	49,877
September	90,130	77,709	92,342	176,211	-	176,211	100,203	30,548	45,460
October	95,455	81,115	78,002	169,845	-	169,845	97,075	27,708	45,062
November	79,630	90,364	88,736	167,492	-	167,492	95,993	27,737	43,762
December	62,144	74,091	100,683	179,894	-	179,894	100,217	28,467	51,210
Total	853,150								
1953 -									
January	62,122	73,185	111,746	185,724	-	185,724	101,726	30,489	53,509
February	77,359	71,860	106,247	189,336	-	189,336	102,836	31,551	54,949
March	89,704	61,107	77,650	188,595	-	188,595	102,736	31,836	54,023
April	76,884	66,849	67,615	189,836	-	189,836	103,349	31,590	54,897
May	65,425	85,709	87,899	192,030	-	192,030	103,988	31,828	56,214
June	55,962	72,451	104,388	200,794	-	200,794	103,878	33,474	63,442
July	56,345	56,236	104,279	204,702	-	204,702	108,581	33,504	62,617
August	79,533	68,521	93,267	202,598	-	202,598	108,039	34,674	59,885
September	90,248	75,141	78,160	191,963	-	191,963	104,349	33,436	54,178
October	85,513	66,090	58,737	181,447	-	181,447	100,558	30,586	50,303
November	67,897	77,586	68,426	179,368	-	179,368	99,064	29,493	50,811
December	50,989	53,883	71,320	188,369	-	188,369	100,873	26,850	60,646
Total	857,981								
1954 -									
January	51,418	53,100	73,002	192,998	-	192,998	103,174	29,499	60,325
February	70,619	65,957	68,340	188,456	-	188,456	100,219	28,988	59,249
March	82,613	63,602	49,329	181,174	-	181,174	95,842	28,137	57,195
April	67,824	63,827	45,332	178,597	-	178,597	93,845	27,297	57,455
May	54,562	71,922	62,692	183,341	-	183,341	94,915	28,318	60,108
June	51,485	61,960	73,167	187,422	-	187,422	95,746	30,705	60,971
July	47,000	49,388	75,555	190,239	-	190,239	99,472	30,125	60,642
August	73,742	62,832	64,645	183,720	-	183,720	96,101	29,593	58,026
September	85,267	75,487	54,865	171,477	-	171,477	91,185	28,304	51,988
October	77,418	64,455	41,902	166,662	-	166,662	90,363	26,987	49,312
November	70,462	78,588	50,028	163,550	-	163,550	87,581	26,243	49,746
December	53,197	62,248	59,079	163,706	-	163,706	84,853	24,686	54,167
Total	785,607								
1955 -									
January	52,890	57,195	63,386	173,445	-	173,445	90,996	25,986	56,463
February	70,367	66,231	59,250	177,158	-	177,158	89,343	26,521	61,294
March	79,688	73,319	52,881	172,860	-	172,860	86,313	26,312	60,235
April	67,858	63,770	48,793	166,732	-	166,732	80,618	25,273	60,841
May	60,098	77,340	66,035	170,505	-	170,505	82,268	27,304	60,933
June	54,778	64,755	76,012	176,110	-	176,110	84,322	27,266	64,522
July	48,465	47,260	74,807	187,169	-	187,169	91,885	29,423	65,861
August	79,469	78,261	73,599	185,014	-	185,014	89,871	29,780	65,363
September	92,850	82,472	63,221	177,558	-	177,558	87,495	28,746	61,317
October	85,308	82,736	60,649	167,917	-	167,917	83,761	27,235	56,921
November	80,319	86,796	67,126	162,814	-	162,814	82,143	26,012	54,659
December	63,379	64,066	67,813	167,090	-	167,090	81,615	26,781	58,694
TOTAL	835,469								
1956 -									
January	59,767	66,841	74,887	168,735	-	168,735	81,873	28,439	58,423
February	77,159	74,366	72,094	176,669	-	176,669	86,965	29,454	60,250
March	80,517	69,580	61,157	176,218	-	176,218	84,826	29,358	62,034
April	72,255	71,888	60,790	175,919	-	175,919	82,643	29,891	63,385
May	68,174	85,523	78,139	180,723	-	180,723	83,792	31,340	65,591
June	59,469	63,276	81,946	186,638	-	186,638	87,734	32,366	68,538
July	57,445	58,863	83,364	192,417	-	192,417	91,526	32,719	68,172
August	83,710	74,116	73,770	187,876	-	187,876	89,015	32,445	66,416
September(3)	86,613	78,864	66,021	181,522	-	181,522	86,189	32,201	63,132
October (3)	93,071	95,580	68,530	173,245	-	173,245	83,754	30,531	58,960
November(3)	85,372	87,859	71,017	169,397	-	169,397	81,445	29,949	58,003

(1) See footnote 1, page 4. (2) See footnote 2, page 4. (3) Preliminary.

Table 2 (Cont'd) - ESTIMATED VALUE OF SHIPMENTS, ORDERS AND INVENTORY IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES GROUPED ACCORDING TO THE STANDARD INDUSTRIAL CLASSIFICATION, by months. (1)

(in thousands of dollars)

(f) S.I.C. Group 7 - WOOD PRODUCTS

(For definitions, see Page 42)

(For industries included, see Page 40)

Date	SHIPMENTS(2)	ORDERS		INVENTORY AT END OF MONTH					
		New Orders Received During Month	Unfilled Orders at end of Month	Owned	Held but not Owned	All	Inventory	Held	
						TOTAL	Raw Materials	Goods in Process	Finished Products
1952 -									
January	81,838	(3)	(3)	221,407	-	221,407	123,918	26,554	70,935
February	80,502			234,311	-	234,311	129,922	28,224	76,165
March	92,863			243,602	-	243,602	134,038	29,630	79,934
April	80,097			227,673	-	227,673	125,686	27,760	74,227
May	104,648			241,365	-	241,365	130,777	29,753	80,835
June	110,870			240,274	-	240,274	128,892	30,212	81,170
July	100,921			247,321	-	247,321	131,483	31,519	84,319
August	116,724			247,088	-	247,088	129,853	32,832	84,403
September	114,915			241,672	-	241,672	127,278	31,128	83,266
October	108,071			232,836	-	232,836	122,095	29,849	80,892
November	86,789			219,997	-	219,997	117,231	28,232	74,534
December	81,775			230,679	-	230,679	128,377	27,285	75,017
TOTAL	1,160,013								
1953 -									
January	82,229			236,858	-	236,858	134,087	27,014	75,757
February	98,568			253,841	-	253,841	143,588	28,786	81,467
March	108,558			274,143	-	274,143	153,795	30,186	90,162
April	93,398			263,330	-	263,330	149,755	28,670	84,905
May	114,652			276,045	-	276,045	154,026	30,358	91,661
June	126,899			277,640	-	277,640	152,727	31,011	93,902
July	119,288			276,585	-	276,585	149,015	31,377	96,193
August	113,119			287,007	-	287,007	151,624	33,256	102,127
September	112,724			264,887	-	264,887	140,264	30,771	93,852
October	101,776			254,442	-	254,442	135,677	29,697	89,068
November	85,648			240,764	-	240,764	128,715	28,430	83,619
December	80,121			253,248	-	253,248	142,878	27,402	82,968
TOTAL	1,236,980								
1954 -									
January	77,038			258,573	-	258,573	146,961	27,486	84,126
February	89,799			265,150	-	265,150	151,845	28,142	85,163
March	100,810			277,443	-	277,443	160,666	29,139	87,638
April	85,034			268,304	-	268,304	154,101	28,396	85,807
May	101,146			270,097	-	270,097	153,212	28,742	88,143
June	122,686			279,379	-	279,379	155,453	29,543	94,383
July	117,584			272,352	-	272,352	151,011	29,741	91,600
August	119,988			271,622	-	271,622	149,137	29,576	92,909
September	121,394			257,780	-	257,780	140,436	29,241	88,103
October	107,991			250,104	-	250,104	135,470	28,866	85,768
November	98,523			246,079	-	246,079	132,657	28,910	84,512
December	82,013			241,035	-	241,035	131,571	29,259	80,205
TOTAL	1,224,006								
1955 -									
January	94,172			242,760	-	242,760	133,338	27,749	81,673
February	98,178			259,006	-	259,006	142,318	29,365	87,323
March	107,010			281,762	-	281,762	155,655	31,269	94,838
April	91,552			267,921	-	267,921	147,829	29,295	90,797
May	122,304			265,797	-	265,797	142,674	30,147	92,976
June	153,765			261,344	-	261,344	139,107	29,658	92,579
July	124,911			254,223	-	254,223	135,089	29,845	89,289
August	142,706			239,018	-	239,018	128,244	30,453	80,321
September	142,593			239,439	-	239,439	126,976	29,706	82,757
October	123,983			222,502	-	222,502	121,522	27,376	73,604
November	111,472			219,462	-	219,462	119,770	26,806	72,886
December	110,899			221,832	-	221,832	122,522	26,441	72,869
TOTAL	1,423,545								
1956 -									
January	106,021			229,249	-	229,249	130,611	26,160	72,478
February	113,533			241,622	-	241,622	139,077	27,344	75,201
March	120,634			259,260	-	259,260	149,141	28,819	81,300
April	105,165			255,193	-	255,193	147,012	29,168	79,013
May	127,837			260,936	-	260,936	146,807	29,868	84,261
June	146,898			260,033	-	260,033	144,922	30,468	84,623
July	138,058			255,568	-	255,568	143,829	30,315	81,424
August	152,615			257,049	-	257,049	147,756	31,264	83,029
September(4)	136,515			264,386	-	264,386	143,921	32,647	87,811
October(4)	130,943			252,497	-	252,497	137,733	31,752	83,012
November(4)	113,130			242,703	-	242,703	133,309	31,033	78,361

(1) See footnote 1, page 4. (2) See footnote 2, page 4.

(3) Sample coverage is not adequate to provide separate estimates of value of New and Unfilled Orders for this group.

(4) Preliminary.

Table 2 (Cont'd) - ESTIMATED VALUE OF SHIPMENTS, ORDERS AND INVENTORY IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES GROUPED ACCORDING TO THE STANDARD INDUSTRIAL CLASSIFICATION, by months. (1)

(in thousands of dollars)

(g) S.I.C. Group 8 - PAPER PRODUCTS

(For definitions, see Page 42)

(For industries included, see Page 40)

Date	SHIPMENTS (2)	ORDERS		Owned (Held but not Owned	INVENTORY AT END OF MONTH			Inventory Held
		New Orders Received During Month	Unfilled Orders at end of Month			All	Raw Materials	Goods in Process	
1952 -									
January	125,914	(3)	(3)	(4)	(4)	264,193	220,251	7,522	36,420
February	127,575					274,252	226,803	8,040	39,409
March	128,642					280,357	228,072	8,492	43,793
April	125,777					275,712	224,565	8,775	42,372
May	124,791					280,256	228,518	9,107	42,631
June	119,104					281,076	231,981	9,627	39,468
July	121,876					284,777	235,435	10,010	39,332
August	122,011					291,102	240,308	10,735	40,059
September	124,444					301,413	251,598	10,596	39,219
October	131,757					306,591	255,072	10,537	40,982
November	130,831					304,999	256,075	11,434	37,490
December	120,113					305,234	255,989	11,505	37,740
TOTAL	1,502,835								
1953 -									
January	125,097					301,712	249,381	13,253	39,078
February	117,504					295,550	239,671	13,190	42,689
March	128,685					290,654	230,918	13,115	46,621
April	137,625					273,997	218,189	13,032	42,776
May	132,771					266,887	213,257	11,768	41,862
June	133,496					268,824	217,861	10,765	40,198
July	129,740					271,901	222,584	9,710	39,607
August	132,561					270,856	224,557	8,739	37,560
September	132,075					272,523	226,681	8,703	37,139
October	142,218					277,280	229,949	8,877	38,454
November	134,567					271,824	228,300	8,999	34,525
December	126,681					282,766	239,683	8,085	34,998
TOTAL	1,573,020								
1954 -									
January	125,060					271,908	224,420	9,104	38,384
February	125,289					271,398	220,625	9,044	41,729
March	136,924					266,010	210,032	9,070	46,908
April	139,978					253,930	199,364	9,249	45,317
May	137,927					249,965	195,018	8,623	46,324
June	139,279					249,961	198,296	8,233	43,432
July	132,532					256,528	203,503	7,966	45,059
August	139,206					258,604	208,089	7,877	42,638
September	137,781					261,787	210,844	7,945	42,998
October	143,373					266,278	217,031	7,914	41,333
November	146,659					265,012	219,409	8,717	36,886
December	133,313					278,117	231,698	7,764	38,655
TOTAL	1,637,321								
1955 -									
January	128,385					284,035	232,033	10,363	41,639
February	127,525					286,759	232,558	10,393	45,808
March	142,747					283,348	225,384	9,795	48,169
April	147,840					269,715	216,323	9,486	43,906
May	149,367					262,678	209,894	9,490	43,294
June	152,470					262,291	213,260	9,508	39,523
July	142,411					269,907	220,782	10,856	38,269
August	154,425					268,498	217,843	11,349	39,306
September	151,682					270,004	219,843	11,495	38,666
October	158,569					271,086	223,529	11,129	36,428
November	156,507					273,292	227,210	10,291	35,791
December	148,426					290,137	247,285	9,793	33,059
TOTAL	1,760,354								
1956 -									
January	145,709					289,003	242,352	10,416	36,235
February	149,461					294,174	245,030	10,832	38,312
March	157,037					297,123	243,750	10,786	42,587
April	154,571					293,786	239,504	11,495	42,787
May	166,713					296,582	240,718	11,842	44,022
June	162,612					302,174	244,288	11,730	46,156
July	158,150					308,033	248,647	11,899	47,487
August	170,741					314,568	253,503	12,433	48,632
September (5)	159,287					317,987	259,208	13,015	45,764
October (5)	168,639					323,369	264,059	13,279	46,031
November (5)	160,958					320,646	266,109	13,568	47,169

(1) See footnote 1, page 4. (2) See footnote 2, page 4. (3) The value of Unfilled Orders for industries in this group is small and sample coverage is not adequate to provide separate estimates for the group. (4) The value of Inventory Held but Not Owned in this group is very small, and sample coverage is not adequate to provide separate data. Estimates for this type of inventory are included with Total Inventory Held; for all practical purposes this can be considered the equivalent of Inventory Owned as well. (5) Preliminary.

Table 2 (Cont'd) - ESTIMATED VALUE OF SHIPMENTS, ORDERS AND INVENTORY IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES GROUPED ACCORDING TO THE STANDARD INDUSTRIAL CLASSIFICATION, by months. (1)
 (in thousands of dollars)

(b) S.I.C. Group 10 - IRON AND STEEL PRODUCTS

(For definitions, see Page 42)

(For industries included, see Page 40)

Date	SHIPMENTS(2)	ORDERS		INVENTORY AT END OF MONTH					
		New Orders Received During Month	Unfilled Orders at end of Month	Owned	Held but not Owned	All	Inventory	Held	
						TOTAL	Raw Materials	Goods in Process	Finished Products
1952 -									
January	161,239	N/A	712,608	538,759	49,719	588,478	261,737	190,597	136,144
February	172,427	181,387	721,568	543,806	61,775	605,581	264,412	198,381	142,788
March	175,785	177,189	722,972	550,701	71,770	622,471	265,499	207,825	149,147
April	182,250	169,696	710,418	556,985	75,021	632,006	266,002	211,645	154,359
May	194,734	178,073	693,757	553,094	79,982	633,076	265,602	210,940	156,534
June	188,669	147,863	652,951	564,126	86,950	651,076	267,459	218,277	165,340
July	182,670	153,525	623,806	546,288	91,194	637,482	265,541	212,187	159,754
August	166,338	166,726	624,194	539,940	105,222	645,162	267,963	221,620	155,579
September	182,158	156,086	598,122	536,989	100,525	637,514	267,970	218,189	151,355
October	193,270	187,221	592,173	541,282	110,601	651,883	271,705	226,632	153,546
November	167,896	172,828	597,105	550,990	113,912	664,902	275,650	230,475	158,777
December	167,323	185,998	615,780	562,554	99,165	661,719	273,029	220,388	168,302
TOTAL	2,134,759								
1953 -									
January	164,214	168,749	620,315	562,318	111,932	674,250	270,743	234,714	168,793
February	165,391	178,133	633,057	563,510	119,638	683,148	262,753	244,143	176,252
March	189,463	179,222	622,816	575,093	123,558	698,651	260,681	257,881	180,089
April	189,618	167,480	600,678	584,093	123,862	707,955	254,788	274,297	178,870
May	186,765	158,310	572,223	584,724	127,912	712,636	256,476	276,414	179,746
June	191,491	184,152	564,884	589,612	129,681	719,293	261,700	279,356	178,237
July	170,879	138,233	532,238	591,756	137,777	729,533	265,338	287,287	176,908
August	169,361	151,465	514,342	592,847	146,666	739,513	275,342	300,494	163,677
September	184,920	180,776	510,198	575,240	162,324	737,564	271,448	309,046	157,070
October	176,837	164,604	497,965	571,994	170,695	742,689	269,168	309,379	164,142
November	159,239	122,526	461,252	570,102	177,967	748,069	268,387	315,200	164,482
December	150,926	141,310	451,636	564,374	152,504	716,878	261,627	281,891	173,360
TOTAL	2,099,104								
1954 -									
January	137,593	128,753	442,796	569,930	157,792	727,722	254,606	289,685	183,431
February	151,611	136,103	427,288	576,001	143,478	719,479	249,772	280,876	188,831
March	168,621	162,715	421,382	568,481	139,419	707,900	239,142	277,452	191,306
April	164,371	152,622	409,633	561,574	144,820	706,394	234,297	277,750	194,347
May	167,112	135,320	377,841	557,653	150,995	708,648	230,986	283,592	194,070
June	177,954	168,050	367,937	550,458	159,984	710,442	228,776	289,992	191,674
July	166,241	151,216	352,912	549,315	160,556	709,871	229,321	293,786	186,764
August	165,185	177,438	365,165	530,414	169,596	700,010	226,293	297,775	175,942
September	167,471	172,521	370,215	517,237	178,694	695,931	220,294	304,286	171,351
October	160,164	136,694	346,745	515,422	167,967	683,389	221,220	292,915	169,254
November	155,992	168,850	359,703	505,239	169,112	674,351	214,891	286,603	172,857
December	151,291	156,018	364,430	503,830	158,032	661,862	212,316	277,768	171,778
TOTAL	1,933,606								
1955 -									
January	135,187	154,160	383,403	500,474	164,917	665,391	208,864	281,026	175,501
February	156,214	222,233	449,422	499,943	167,755	667,698	201,464	288,485	177,749
March	179,574	197,574	467,642	504,279	166,015	670,294	200,859	284,344	185,091
April	175,700	190,535	482,477	509,832	167,266	677,098	203,293	284,418	189,387
May	194,693	224,354	512,138	512,508	167,018	679,526	203,066	285,422	191,038
June	201,826	212,480	522,792	512,981	171,838	684,819	204,696	293,211	186,912
July	186,288	203,703	540,209	505,295	170,949	676,244	212,310	289,544	174,390
August	204,172	233,504	569,541	500,026	173,835	673,861	214,755	296,542	162,564
September	214,159	193,776	549,158	496,027	177,966	673,993	218,536	301,243	154,214
October	216,982	233,194	565,370	503,651	172,930	676,581	226,881	295,296	154,404
November	204,213	218,029	579,186	513,396	172,518	685,914	231,907	293,652	160,355
December	196,326	254,930	637,790	538,294	171,141	709,435	232,799	305,010	171,626
TOTAL	2,265,334								
1956 -									
January	183,664	217,772	671,898	555,293	163,371	718,664	236,188	301,252	181,224
February	204,467	236,963	704,394	574,727	170,282	745,009	243,027	313,725	188,257
March	229,729	242,151	716,816	590,044	179,267	769,311	251,609	324,012	193,690
April	222,190	229,355	723,981	600,230	189,785	790,015	250,486	335,524	204,005
May	243,634	230,600	710,947	614,559	198,104	812,663	258,095	353,518	201,050
June	239,204	227,825	699,568	635,716	204,853	840,569	271,234	362,420	206,915
July	231,982	224,883	692,469	632,089	207,789	839,878	276,142	368,774	194,962
August	234,084	250,919	709,304	635,641	208,279	843,920	284,391	370,689	188,840
September(3)	252,335	254,466	711,435	622,738	213,072	835,810	284,192	372,443	179,175
October (3)	262,947	245,443	703,931	635,577	214,915	850,492	292,253	379,788	178,451
November(3)	255,605	279,575	727,901	635,392	218,985	854,377	289,982	379,668	184,727
December									

(1) See footnote 1, page 4.

(2) See footnote 2, page 4.

(3) Preliminary

Table 2 (Cont'd) - ESTIMATED VALUE OF SHIPMENTS, ORDERS AND INVENTORY IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES
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(i) S.I.C. Group 11 - TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT

(For definitions, see Page 42)

(For industries included, see Page 40)

Date	SHIPMENTS(2)	ORDERS		INVENTORY AT END OF MONTH					
		New Orders Received During Month	Unfilled Orders at end of Month	Owned	Held but not Owned	All		Inventory Held	
								Total	Raw Materials
1952 -									
January	127,202	N/A	1,659,829	283,925	124,486	408,411	114,927	220,150	73,334
February	130,165	144,838	1,674,502	295,382	132,884	428,266	125,663	231,671	70,932
March	142,549	158,906	1,690,859	303,898	144,646	448,544	132,818	241,987	73,739
April	166,277	115,744	1,640,326	294,437	156,343	450,780	137,739	247,007	66,034
May	165,804	242,496	1,717,018	287,834	164,788	452,622	144,142	246,464	62,016
June	166,333	145,116	1,695,801	383,992	177,232	461,224	144,524	255,731	60,969
July	146,336	119,018	1,668,483	273,463	183,197	456,660	148,204	252,870	55,586
August	116,119	— 133,773	1,418,591	281,065	196,862	477,927	156,300	266,304	55,323
September	158,093	124,793	1,385,291	279,644	214,295	493,939	165,297	277,036	51,1606
October	156,475	— 83,413	1,145,403	274,797	232,469	507,266	162,814	292,284	52,168
November	145,102	165,765	1,166,066	275,712	240,531	516,243	160,428	308,830	51,985
December	180,287	174,073	1,159,852	278,934	239,441	518,375	162,839	299,545	55,991
TOTAL	1,800,742								
1953 -									
January	153,441	117,270	1,121,681	280,326	249,583	529,909	169,179	304,052	56,678
February	173,653	165,426	1,113,454	389,049	253,704	542,753	168,968	314,817	58,968
March	200,577	150,142	1,063,019	290,333	264,268	554,601	171,197	325,308	57,896
April	216,472	163,265	1,009,812	287,912	280,628	568,540	172,055	336,452	60,033
May	199,606	60,000	870,206	290,373	289,267	579,640	172,798	346,164	60,678
June	206,242	178,693	842,657	293,947	293,813	587,760	171,888	353,815	62,057
July	199,173	133,297	776,781	286,214	294,070	580,284	167,745	349,437	63,102
August	123,034	96,369	750,116	291,042	305,041	596,083	170,142	363,954	61,987
September	157,182	125,361	718,295	292,823	304,143	596,966	169,243	363,223	64,500
October	152,376	126,275	692,194	294,538	294,489	589,027	169,076	356,399	63,552
November	134,146	79,472	637,520	300,092	307,938	608,030	170,418	371,524	66,088
December	171,534	231,464	697,450	312,685	300,995	613,680	171,069	374,713	67,898
TOTAL	2,089,436								
1954 -									
January	158,606	234,136	772,980	310,941	309,136	620,077	164,401	386,256	69,420
February	177,344	351,553	947,189	319,483	308,345	627,828	161,988	395,483	70,357
March	204,037	147,774	890,926	305,725	304,947	610,672	157,298	384,903	68,471
April	181,307	130,550	840,169	293,815	316,701	610,516	153,050	389,204	68,262
May	163,540	161,042	837,671	283,330	315,208	598,538	151,667	379,578	67,293
June	151,689	161,476	827,458	270,483	318,722	589,205	146,896	375,916	66,393
July	133,181	152,071	846,348	253,374	316,185	569,559	145,421	358,574	65,564
August	89,441	51,643	808,550	243,332	317,796	561,128	145,685	355,556	59,887
September	105,680	121,483	824,353	238,173	327,872	566,045	138,782	370,854	56,409
October	91,396	35,791	768,748	249,287	327,169	576,456	143,267	375,118	58,071
November	115,167	92,906	746,487	253,937	321,515	575,452	140,241	378,916	56,295
December	146,826	143,171	742,832	256,514	305,825	562,339	139,881	364,456	58,002
TOTAL	1,718,214								
1955 -									
January	144,827	146,370	744,375	261,316	298,023	559,339	139,260	361,800	58,279
February	154,617	122,658	712,416	275,235	303,915	579,150	140,561	377,337	61,252
March	165,224	133,746	680,938	311,542	296,334	607,876	140,383	376,616	90,877
April	215,104	203,820	669,654	279,650	294,068	573,718	138,321	370,436	64,961
May	206,477	227,081	690,258	272,559	293,828	566,387	140,042	364,812	61,533
June	201,027	181,500	670,731	261,136	294,532	555,668	136,420	363,132	56,116
July	176,707	185,250	679,274	249,451	282,324	531,775	133,141	342,336	56,298
August	116,206	120,765	683,833	253,324	284,325	537,649	132,714	343,729	61,206
September	123,555	116,177	676,455	260,804	284,572	546,376	136,218	346,678	62,480
October	131,297	105,220	650,378	265,377	297,556	562,933	142,286	361,719	58,928
November	135,905	169,695	684,168	278,928	285,234	564,162	146,199	355,679	62,284
December	155,177	153,716	682,707	290,974	252,618	543,592	144,066	338,662	60,864
TOTAL	1,926,123								
1956 -									
January	134,595	135,064	683,176	306,500	251,074	557,574	146,180	337,969	73,425
February	153,680	154,488	683,984	339,028	250,771	589,799	151,228	350,590	87,981
March	193,642	189,779	680,121	353,517	228,260	581,777	148,337	345,688	87,752
April	221,890	296,951	755,182	346,032	229,290	575,322	149,772	335,377	90,173
May	231,115	224,083	748,150	342,361	238,534	580,895	147,089	342,326	91,480
June	216,123	132,033	664,060	330,983	234,269	565,252	142,482	332,803	89,967
July	196,571	198,209	665,698	320,452	237,808	558,260	143,153	318,051	97,056
August	127,715	147,101	685,084	303,556	239,693	543,249	143,595	317,060	82,594
September(3)	132,257	163,789	716,616	311,936	243,888	555,824	150,457	323,715	81,652
October (3)	161,189	147,873	703,300	332,989	252,584	585,573	155,421	339,958	90,194
November (3)	190,302	168,000	680,998	339,001	256,208	595,209	157,023	346,593	91,593
December									

(1) See footnote 1, page 4.

(2) See footnote 2, page 4.

(3) Preliminary.

Table 2 (Cont'd) - ESTIMATED VALUE OF SHIPMENTS, ORDERS AND INVENTORY IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES
GROUPED ACCORDING TO THE STANDARD INDUSTRIAL CLASSIFICATION, by months. (1)

(in thousands of dollars)

(j) S.I.C. Group 12 - NON-FERROUS METAL PRODUCTS

(For definitions, see Page 42)

(For industries included, see Page 40)

Date	SHIPMENTS(2)	ORDERS		INVENTORY AT END OF MONTH					
		New Orders Received During Month	Unfilled Orders at end of Month	Owned	Held but not Owned	All	Inventory Held		
						TOTAL	Raw Materials	Goods in Process	Finished Products
1952 -									
January	102,504	(3)	(3)	(4)	(4)	197,669	119,526	35,641	42,502
February	107,801					199,033	121,579	35,963	41,491
March	107,971					199,860	120,590	36,426	42,844
April	101,350					201,241	119,993	37,001	44,247
May	106,837					202,834	121,316	35,698	45,820
June	108,833					203,461	125,851	35,469	42,141
July	90,759					213,718	130,882	35,715	47,121
August	90,181					217,297	134,900	36,533	45,864
September	96,652					214,729	134,425	34,515	45,789
October	101,009					213,274	133,332	34,734	45,208
November	97,936					209,812	132,325	34,904	42,583
December	99,128					208,800	126,583	36,868	45,349
TOTAL	1,210,961								
1953 -									
January	105,228					208,937	124,410	38,709	45,818
February	96,067					209,962	123,384	39,554	47,024
March	110,973					203,479	117,914	38,994	46,571
April	107,572					204,650	117,950	40,482	46,218
May	111,935					206,676	120,413	39,701	46,562
June	113,081					204,617	120,038	38,745	45,834
July	94,347					211,464	125,691	41,697	44,076
August	98,964					215,332	129,591	42,451	43,290
September	102,817					214,131	129,639	41,409	43,083
October	103,880					214,221	130,348	40,260	43,613
November	98,154					215,745	131,339	39,815	44,591
December	97,117					207,084	122,630	37,899	46,555
TOTAL	1,240,135								
1954 -									
January	88,961					210,344	125,465	38,578	46,301
February	90,920					207,882	123,996	38,964	44,922
March	104,885					203,557	121,543	38,721	43,293
April	114,093					195,628	116,659	37,477	41,492
May	111,064					196,832	118,087	37,063	41,682
June	112,735					196,674	119,591	36,646	40,437
July	99,089					199,934	119,485	38,523	41,926
August	104,295					205,253	121,721	40,765	42,767
September	109,154					210,556	125,751	42,178	42,627
October	109,520					211,517	127,665	41,211	42,641
November	114,938					208,511	125,895	39,672	42,944
December	107,169					203,857	119,637	39,049	45,171
TOTAL	1,266,823								
1955 -									
January	115,610					209,500	127,531	40,506	41,463
February	106,795					208,077	126,087	40,508	41,482
March	123,590					205,864	122,860	41,028	41,976
April	122,942					204,614	124,023	40,151	40,440
May	127,677					206,671	127,971	40,387	38,313
June	127,055					208,274	129,617	40,560	38,099
July	117,480					214,239	136,290	40,751	37,198
August	128,051					219,460	140,082	41,604	37,774
September	140,034					219,990	143,998	40,439	35,553
October	138,566					223,847	147,746	40,400	35,701
November	146,313					216,834	141,883	40,549	34,402
December	133,730					214,555	135,052	43,282	36,221
TOTAL	1,527,843								
1956 -									
January	133,592					220,658	138,189	43,588	38,881
February	131,194					225,139	140,378	44,101	40,660
March	135,756					230,164	140,701	45,058	44,405
April	137,975					233,433	141,592	46,259	45,582
May	151,308					238,216	145,880	46,314	46,022
June	139,441					246,080	151,538	45,097	49,445
July	125,984					254,977	157,399	44,734	52,844
August	148,324					254,627	158,857	45,081	50,689
September(5)	138,673					260,582	165,883	44,888	49,811
October (5)	151,932					263,140	167,610	45,469	50,061
November (5)	149,850					261,007	166,546	45,433	49,028

(1) See footnote 1, page 4. (2) See footnote 2, page 4. (3) The value of Unfilled Orders for this group cannot be published separately, since less than 3 firms predominate. (4) The value of Inventory Held but Not Owned in this group is very small, and sample coverage is not adequate to provide separate data. Estimates for this type of inventory are included with Total Inventory Held; for all practical purposes this can be considered the equivalent of Inventory Owned as well. (5) Preliminary.

Table 2 (Cont'd) - ESTIMATED VALUE OF SHIPMENTS, ORDERS AND INVENTORY IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES
GROUPED ACCORDING TO THE STANDARD INDUSTRIAL CLASSIFICATION, by months. (1)
(in thousands of dollars)

(k) S.I.C. Group 13 - ELECTRICAL APPARATUS AND SUPPLIES

(For definitions, see Page 42)
(For industries included, see Page 40)

Date	SHIPMENTS(2)	ORDERS		INVENTORY AT END OF MONTH				
		New Orders Received During Month	Unfilled Orders at end of Month	Owned	Held but not Owned	TOTAL	Raw Materials	Goods in Process
1952 -								
January	47,983	N.A.	294,900	212,961	42,232	255,194	87,555	88,380
February	50,332	64,843	309,411	213,146	45,755	258,901	88,813	89,153
March	56,026	58,303	311,688	212,138	51,021	263,159	88,963	91,110
April	53,961	61,779	319,506	206,718	53,537	260,255	83,268	93,999
May	57,792	51,993	313,707	210,428	56,858	267,286	85,382	99,627
June	58,570	59,375	314,512	209,018	58,882	267,900	80,525	102,754
July	51,313	40,044	303,243	204,603	61,438	266,041	80,910	103,516
August	52,971	66,529	316,801	205,466	63,790	269,256	84,122	103,649
September	62,592	58,590	312,799	206,856	67,049	273,905	84,600	105,947
October	70,324	73,279	315,754	197,805	70,280	268,085	77,484	106,703
November	64,541	54,243	305,456	197,118	72,840	269,958	77,776	105,771
December	65,714	81,301	321,043	207,420	70,476	277,896	83,428	104,424
Total	692,119							
1953 -								
January	56,252	58,818	323,609	205,244	72,397	277,641	81,377	109,270
February	69,358	67,436	321,687	208,940	74,090	283,030	83,465	110,465
March	78,877	127,710	370,520	211,269	72,742	284,011	78,176	112,900
April	75,237	61,728	357,011	215,469	73,217	288,686	79,504	114,461
May	72,397	102,070	386,684	222,150	69,541	291,691	84,156	109,147
June	73,214	69,136	382,606	235,019	66,083	301,102	80,094	115,471
July	60,695	42,413	364,324	233,714	67,954	301,668	80,580	117,248
August	59,767	71,091	375,648	237,343	70,442	307,785	79,562	118,309
September	75,565	73,339	373,422	242,522	66,479	309,001	80,127	119,166
October	75,660	77,537	375,299	243,913	66,210	310,123	79,228	118,944
November	72,864	75,908	378,343	242,775	64,364	307,139	77,706	118,544
December	78,304	65,324	365,363	248,165	64,345	312,510	80,210	123,652
Total	848,190							
1954 -								
January	60,946	49,450	353,867	249,097	65,724	314,821	77,404	121,688
February	62,818	60,508	351,557	260,079	62,028	322,107	79,330	122,484
March	78,050	68,736	342,243	261,389	63,386	324,775	79,404	122,583
April	74,671	62,793	330,365	262,353	59,347	321,700	78,541	121,462
May	68,601	71,594	333,358	263,347	53,379	316,726	77,829	116,672
June	70,277	61,077	324,158	262,434	54,057	316,491	76,999	114,049
July	56,152	55,119	323,125	255,949	53,054	309,003	76,162	110,562
August	66,588	71,223	327,760	247,599	50,379	297,978	72,849	106,853
September	78,158	83,775	333,377	244,058	52,885	296,943	75,172	111,517
October	77,210	68,987	325,154	236,997	55,085	292,082	74,286	112,403
November	87,076	84,885	322,963	236,821	57,791	294,612	73,130	114,867
December	83,335	78,083	317,711	238,894	62,175	301,069	71,783	121,325
Total	863,882							
1955 -								
January	74,736	43,625	286,600	238,543	67,308	305,831	74,021	124,458
February	82,374	83,627	287,853	236,401	71,916	308,317	74,723	124,775
March	94,263	100,096	293,686	236,686	77,469	314,155	74,420	125,361
April	75,466	84,366	302,586	243,684	75,756	319,440	81,428	127,984
May	77,845	88,801	313,542	248,078	75,779	323,857	83,646	128,076
June	81,021	84,616	317,137	252,047	77,563	329,610	82,377	129,830
July	67,671	62,734	312,200	247,590	77,794	325,384	85,988	131,193
August	86,614	92,197	317,783	242,885	83,532	326,417	83,518	137,174
September	106,712	124,012	335,083	241,619	88,136	329,755	85,829	140,265
October	97,662	95,949	333,370	241,602	92,894	334,496	90,426	143,008
November	103,863	92,263	321,770	245,803	96,050	341,853	91,927	146,661
December	96,524	77,403	(3)302,649	255,123	88,338	343,461	91,447	146,034
TOTAL	1,044,751							
1956 -								
January	77,220	80,629	306,058	257,602	90,530	348,132	90,165	149,010
February	87,101	90,588	309,545	265,428	96,012	361,440	93,858	155,649
March	96,448	90,690	303,787	275,943	96,299	372,242	95,783	155,884
April	90,921	94,512	307,378	284,440	100,571	385,011	102,913	155,869
May	90,871	97,566	314,073	293,598	104,399	397,997	110,263	158,294
June	98,924	106,725	321,874	305,181	104,402	409,583	112,539	159,492
July	80,689	81,633	322,818	302,131	89,749	391,880	115,647	143,103
August	84,340	80,055	318,533	298,785	92,543	391,328	115,370	145,216
September(4)	104,602	98,864	312,795	297,278	95,125	392,403	114,468	148,915
October (4)	99,171	90,477	304,101	289,689	97,029	386,718	113,424	148,529
November(4)	97,318	95,443	302,226	289,837	97,295	387,132	111,517	149,688
December								

(1) See footnote 1, page 4 (2) See footnote 2, page 4. (3) December, 1955 value includes a downward revision of \$16.7 million because of a change in method of reporting by one firm. (4) Preliminary.

Table 2. (Cont'd) - ESTIMATED VALUE OF SHIPMENTS, ORDERS AND INVENTORY IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES GROUPED ACCORDING TO THE STANDARD INDUSTRIAL CLASSIFICATION, by months. (1)
(in thousands of dollars)

(1) S.I.C. Group 14 - NON-METALLIC MINERAL PRODUCTS

(For definitions, see Page 74)

(For industries included, see Page 40)

Date	SHIPMENTS(2)	ORDERS		INVENTORY AT END OF MONTH			
		New Orders Received During Month	Unfilled Orders at end of Month	Owned	Held but not Owned	All	Inventory Held
						TOTAL	Raw Materials
1952 -							
January	21,348	(3)	(3)	(4)	(4)	60,172	34,260
February	24,166					60,658	33,377
March	26,809					60,687	32,657
April	28,134					60,588	33,018
May	33,439					59,032	33,048
June	32,823					58,450	33,267
July	31,438					58,535	33,854
August	29,755					58,585	34,609
September	31,683					58,406	35,446
October	33,381					57,401	34,796
November	30,960					56,853	34,559
December	26,342					59,161	35,120
Total	350,278						4,637
1953 -							19,404
January	25,413					61,900	34,936
February	26,235					62,988	34,571
March	32,672					63,089	34,062
April	35,186					62,426	34,444
May	37,796					62,412	35,226
June	37,964					62,755	36,555
July	38,943					62,008	36,974
August	35,397					62,150	37,607
September	38,591					61,406	37,347
October	38,712					62,566	38,106
November	34,596					61,404	37,768
December	29,404					64,603	38,362
Total	408,909						4,296
1954 -							21,945
January	23,961					65,758	36,614
February	26,925					67,528	36,751
March	33,623					67,709	36,128
April	34,345					67,077	34,874
May	37,976					66,598	34,600
June	43,606					64,493	34,662
July	41,821					62,307	34,553
August	41,121					61,944	34,597
September	40,680					62,040	36,794
October	38,451					61,137	36,359
November	37,875					60,106	35,448
December	28,078					63,607	35,108
Total	428,462						3,854
1955 -							24,645
January	26,169					67,135	34,696
February	26,619					69,695	33,870
March	32,377					72,518	33,246
April	35,065					73,392	34,112
May	45,530					69,996	34,558
June	50,757					65,288	35,410
July	43,087					63,732	35,699
August	47,044					62,339	36,706
September	45,951					62,501	37,860
October	42,541					63,726	39,596
November	38,527					64,792	39,261
December	30,604					70,941	39,846
TOTAL	464,271						5,554
1956 -							25,541
January	32,497					74,302	39,056
February	33,353					78,202	39,384
March	39,318					81,526	39,470
April	44,822					82,601	39,952
May	52,778					82,314	41,271
June	53,552					78,027	40,547
July	49,680					77,523	42,376
August	50,227					77,768	45,511
September(5)	46,281					76,437	44,072
October (5)	53,667					75,420	45,170
November(5)	51,382					75,445	45,186
December							5,186

(1) See footnote 1, page 4. (2) See footnote 2, page 4. (3) The value of Unfilled Orders for industries in this group is small, and sample coverage is not adequate to provide separate estimates for the group. (4) The value of Inventory Held but Not Owned in this group is very small, and sample coverage is not adequate to provide separate data. Estimates for this type of inventory are included with Total Inventory Held; for all practical purposes this can be considered the equivalent of Inventory Owned as well. (5) Preliminary.

Table 2 (Cont'd) - ESTIMATED VALUE OF SHIPMENTS, ORDERS AND INVENTORY IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES GROUPED ACCORDING TO THE STANDARD INDUSTRIAL CLASSIFICATION, by months. (1)
(in thousands of dollars)

(m) S.I.C. Group 15 - PRODUCTS OF PETROLEUM AND COAL

(For definitions, see Page 42)

(For industries included, see Page 40)

Date	SHIPMENTS(2)	ORDERS		INVENTORY AT END OF MONTH			
		New Orders Received During Month	Unfilled Orders at end of Month	Owned	Held but not Owned	All	Inventory Held
						TOTAL	Raw Materials
1952 -							
January	64,228	(3)	(3)	188,190	-	188,190	51,790
February	58,119			178,833	-	178,833	43,125
March	58,075			171,966	-	171,966	41,488
April	59,195			175,834	-	175,834	47,749
May	71,769			176,261	-	176,261	53,344
June	64,669			184,299	-	184,299	58,091
July	67,676			189,158	-	189,158	62,301
August	66,810			197,752	-	197,752	67,241
September	69,012			205,646	-	205,646	73,378
October	75,416			204,295	-	204,295	74,447
November	63,664			211,540	-	211,540	77,209
December	69,036			206,868	-	206,868	72,079
Total	787,669						
1953 -							
January	62,814			198,844	-	198,844	63,802
February	57,190			192,479	-	192,479	54,784
March	60,580			183,910	-	183,910	45,248
April	59,314			193,274	-	193,274	52,156
May	65,801			197,225	-	197,225	54,892
June	68,540			201,413	-	201,413	61,339
July	70,326			210,919	-	210,919	65,910
August	71,028			222,749	-	222,749	72,389
September	76,476			231,078	-	231,078	77,198
October	74,853			232,215	-	232,215	75,754
November	70,005			233,850	-	233,850	71,973
December	71,403			223,610	-	223,610	63,607
Total	808,330						
1954 -							
January	81,676			225,444	-	225,444	63,189
February	78,136			218,613	-	218,613	55,180
March	81,871			214,558	-	214,558	54,866
April	76,777			215,292	-	215,292	57,635
May	82,438			219,944	-	219,944	56,383
June	83,404			225,327	-	225,327	57,022
July	85,958			227,208	-	227,208	57,548
August	85,434			232,208	-	232,208	60,438
September	88,169			231,724	-	231,724	62,059
October	88,481			238,445	-	238,445	63,357
November	91,146			235,095	-	235,095	62,676
December	95,323			224,834	-	224,834	59,398
Total(4)	1,018,763						
1955 -							
January	86,034			222,168	-	222,168	56,785
February	86,076			216,653	-	216,653	53,366
March	92,762			210,652	-	210,652	53,102
April	81,642			215,218	-	215,218	54,529
May	92,236			218,456	-	218,456	58,123
June	96,615			225,612	-	225,612	58,971
July	94,009			234,362	-	234,362	59,851
August	106,198			236,720	-	236,720	60,454
September	105,119			243,914	-	243,914	62,686
October	100,347			251,727	-	251,727	70,161
November	108,518			252,588	-	252,588	72,424
December	111,217			247,110	-	247,110	66,774
TOTAL	1,160,773						
1956 -							
January	103,307			245,534	-	245,534	63,632
February	96,768			244,275	-	244,275	61,905
March	100,952			234,419	-	234,419	57,519
April	93,302			238,065	-	238,065	57,364
May	108,166			238,615	-	238,615	62,497
June	104,269			247,183	-	247,183	68,289
July	105,694			262,470	-	262,470	74,057
August	110,865			271,238	-	271,238	77,917
September(5)	107,654			280,605	-	280,605	77,760
October (5)	119,859			285,090	-	285,090	80,483
November (5)	116,991			287,101	-	287,101	82,845

(1) See footnote 1, page 4. (2) See footnote 2, page 4. (3) The value of Unfilled Orders for industries in this group is small, and sample coverage is not adequate to provide separate estimates for the group. (4) Shipments values in the Petroleum Products industry for 1954 were affected by a change in method of valuation for Census of Industry purposes. This change accounted for an increase of approximately \$140 million for the year. (5) Preliminary.

Table 2. (Cont'd) - ESTIMATED VALUE OF SHIPMENTS, ORDERS AND INVENTORY IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES GROUPED ACCORDING TO THE STANDARD INDUSTRIAL CLASSIFICATION, by months. (1)

(in thousands of dollars)

(n) S.I.C. Group 16 - CHEMICAL PRODUCTS

(For definitions, see Page 42)

(For industries included, see Page 40)

Date	SHIPMENTS(2)	ORDERS		Owned	INVENTORY AT END OF MONTH			
		New Orders Received During Month	Unfilled Orders at end of Month		Held but not Owned	All	Inventory Held	
					TOTAL	Raw Materials	Goods in Process	Finished Products
1952 -								
January	65,349	(3)	(3)	(4)	178,397	92,034	21,349	65,014
February	64,244				178,479	89,636	22,270	66,573
March	64,096				178,937	87,526	23,079	68,332
April	71,218				173,651	84,892	21,859	66,900
May	76,706				166,828	84,289	19,399	63,140
June	65,501				166,473	84,899	20,162	61,412
July	60,537				168,261	87,563	21,189	59,509
August	61,074				170,020	89,780	22,430	57,810
September	69,862				168,337	88,778	23,659	55,900
October	69,598				171,965	91,206	25,175	55,584
November	64,911				175,371	92,589	25,458	57,324
December	64,034				175,894	92,964	24,445	58,485
Total	797,130							
1953 -								
January	73,232				176,083	92,719	25,026	58,338
February	72,644				177,859	92,581	25,401	59,877
March	77,003				177,946	92,905	25,004	60,037
April	83,023				178,242	95,700	23,890	58,652
May	83,318				176,547	97,569	20,932	58,046
June	78,238				179,550	100,888	22,089	56,573
July	65,719				187,741	106,106	25,516	56,119
August	64,930				196,673	112,505	27,307	56,861
September	76,734				198,949	114,800	26,955	57,194
October	71,986				207,180	118,938	28,124	60,118
November	70,965				214,657	121,924	30,455	62,278
December	63,712				224,519	124,954	31,299	68,266
Total	881,504							
1954 -								
January	71,231				225,473	120,057	35,342	70,074
February	75,748				219,830	114,338	33,989	71,503
March	77,633				218,718	110,596	35,086	73,036
April	79,955				218,224	108,215	35,922	74,087
May	90,331				217,660	111,259	34,023	72,378
June	80,672				222,722	111,534	37,134	74,054
July	66,863				226,927	116,607	39,193	71,127
August	73,953				228,604	116,586	41,119	70,899
September	80,489				225,007	117,121	39,171	68,715
October	74,450				226,877	115,099	41,962	69,816
November	77,734				235,109	118,268	45,054	71,787
December	72,044				240,247	120,110	43,728	76,409
Total	921,103							
1955 -								
January	78,052				236,903	122,292	41,765	72,846
February	82,967				232,315	119,904	39,386	73,025
March	90,338				229,868	118,660	37,927	73,281
April	86,293				227,459	116,923	37,122	73,414
May	97,395				218,073	113,283	34,795	69,995
June	89,300				217,355	110,820	35,924	70,611
July	73,790				219,274	114,996	36,837	67,441
August	85,491				218,684	110,247	40,173	68,264
September	91,447				219,104	109,948	42,064	67,092
October	87,324				227,410	115,100	43,267	69,043
November	87,213				236,504	121,096	45,288	70,120
December	78,468				244,080	125,721	46,301	72,058
TOTAL	1,028,078							
1956 -								
January	83,716				244,770	124,177	43,587	77,006
February	90,030				243,538	121,274	42,915	79,349
March	91,263				242,215	117,578	42,726	81,911
April	98,643				241,128	116,217	43,246	81,665
May	104,809				236,631	112,094	41,479	83,058
June	93,089				237,910	111,173	42,928	83,809
July	84,375				238,842	114,308	44,193	80,341
August	93,399				237,230	114,957	43,989	78,284
September(5)	93,563				232,754	111,487	44,381	76,886
October (5)	96,309				235,276	114,632	45,483	75,161
November (5)	90,582				247,980	125,639	45,990	76,351

(1) See footnote 1, page 4. (2) See footnote 2, page 4. (3) The value of Unfilled Orders in this group cannot be published separately, since less than 3 firms predominate. (4) The value of Inventory Held but Not Owned in this group is very small, and sample coverage is not adequate to provide separate data. Estimates for this type of inventory are included with Total Inventory Held; for all practical purposes this can be considered the equivalent of Inventory Owned as well. (5) Preliminary.

Table 2. (Concl'd) - ESTIMATED VALUE OF SHIPMENTS, ORDERS AND INVENTORY IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES GROUPED ACCORDING TO THE STANDARD INDUSTRIAL CLASSIFICATION, by months. (1)

(in thousands of dollars)

(o) S.I.C. Group 17 - MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES

(For definitions, see Page 42)

(For industries included, see Page 40)

Date	SHIPMENTS(2)	ORDERS		INVENTORY AT END OF MONTH					
		New Orders Received During Month	Unfilled Orders at end of Month	Owned	Held but not Owned	All Inventory Held			
		TOTAL	Raw Materials			Goods in Process	Finished Products		
1952 -									
January	17,142	(3)	(3)	(4)	(4)	61,149	29,387	10,757	21,005
February	18,762					59,592	28,912	10,459	20,221
March	19,342					58,127	28,178	10,436	19,513
April	18,790					57,833	29,320	9,009	19,504
May	19,158					56,921	27,596	9,954	19,371
June	19,048					56,529	27,703	9,772	19,054
July	17,865					56,067	28,195	9,741	18,131
August	18,243					54,258	27,846	9,721	16,691
September	19,977					53,560	27,659	9,842	16,059
October	20,755					53,636	28,103	9,920	15,613
November	18,809					53,799	27,931	9,669	16,199
December	17,965					54,771	28,332	9,410	17,029
Total	225,856								
1953 -									
January	19,366					56,783	29,295	10,900	16,588
February	21,138					57,838	29,729	11,281	16,828
March	23,915					58,049	29,674	11,298	17,077
April	22,732					60,151	29,777	11,781	18,593
May	22,586					60,601	30,133	11,508	18,960
June	22,719					61,410	29,907	11,205	20,298
July	20,725					61,903	30,661	11,315	19,927
August	21,277					62,548	31,195	11,593	19,760
September	22,999					63,315	31,735	11,717	19,863
October	22,944					63,264	31,519	12,333	19,412
November	21,351					63,744	31,960	12,416	19,368
December	19,531					65,566	32,281	12,320	20,965
Total	261,283								
1954 -									
January	18,723					66,872	32,219	13,007	21,646
February	20,593					66,533	32,030	12,852	21,651
March	23,263					66,000	31,750	13,010	21,240
April	21,219					67,256	32,293	12,342	22,621
May	21,185					68,301	32,541	12,444	23,316
June	22,284					68,923	32,889	12,474	23,560
July	19,927					68,469	33,345	11,962	23,162
August	21,528					69,034	33,649	12,331	23,054
September	22,875					69,079	33,659	12,323	23,097
October	21,911					65,060	30,724	12,899	21,437
November	21,816					65,125	30,933	12,929	21,263
December	19,936					66,449	31,695	12,896	21,858
Total	255,260								
1955 -									
January	19,156					65,196	30,489	12,632	22,075
February	21,692					64,799	29,871	12,934	21,994
March	23,912					65,625	29,998	13,139	22,488
April	21,774					65,670	29,174	12,763	23,733
May	21,630					66,132	20,338	12,629	24,165
June	22,342					68,696	29,412	12,752	26,532
July	18,759					68,977	29,789	12,223	26,965
August	21,030					68,971	29,756	12,571	26,644
September	22,643					69,195	30,161	12,767	26,267
October	22,876					69,556	30,258	13,731	25,567
November	23,431					68,654	30,031	13,279	25,344
December	22,624					70,399	30,214	13,420	26,765
Total	261,869								
1956 -									
January	20,642					74,446	32,011	13,624	28,811
February	24,067					74,945	32,314	14,118	28,513
March	25,889					75,877	32,523	14,577	28,777
April	22,611					73,144	31,257	14,763	27,124
May	25,362					74,449	31,041	14,971	28,437
June	24,205					75,810	31,608	14,929	29,273
July	22,661					75,300	32,323	14,559	28,418
August	25,799					74,756	32,749	15,283	26,724
September(5)	25,954					74,227	32,995	15,199	26,033
October(6)	29,781					72,234	33,197	15,844	23,193
November(5)	30,308					72,236	33,280	16,190	22,766
December									

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Table 3 - ESTIMATED VALUE OF SHIPMENTS, ORDERS AND INVENTORY IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES
GROUPED ACCORDING TO AN ECONOMIC USE CLASSIFICATION, by months.

(in thousands of dollars)

CONSUMER GOODS INDUSTRIES

(a1) Total Consumer Goods Industries (1)

(For definitions, see Page 42)

(For industries included, see Page 72)

Date	SHIPMENTS	ORDERS		INVENTORY AT END OF MONTH					
		New Orders Received During Month	Unfilled Orders at end of Month	Owned	Held but not Owned	All Inventory Held			
						TOTAL	Raw Materials		
1952 -									
January	346,308	N/A	233,982	(2)	(2)	1,047,600	555,554	191,522	300,524
February	364,258	361,504	231,228			1,033,411	550,532	195,027	287,852
March	371,051	365,735	225,912			1,018,711	540,510	199,943	278,258
April	394,513	383,212	214,611			993,980	524,993	203,455	265,532
May	415,197	429,523	228,937			996,129	519,918	208,645	267,566
June	391,650	411,270	248,557			999,935	507,847	213,715	278,373
July	384,676	399,540	263,421			996,822	503,625	216,712	276,485
August	395,910	400,054	267,565			980,954	484,073	217,122	279,759
September	431,050	423,198	259,713			982,228	461,012	218,211	303,005
October	462,578	455,543	252,678			960,773	443,501	214,555	302,717
November	425,667	438,391	265,402			947,479	440,370	214,982	292,127
December	414,533	445,445	296,314	945,411	24,375	969,786	467,514	209,801	292,471
Total	4,797,391								
1953 -									
January	366,216	384,683	314,781	964,248	26,184	990,432	483,328	217,958	289,146
February	389,691	373,299	298,389	978,683	28,530	1,007,213	498,002	225,944	283,267
March	434,480	404,495	268,404	981,178	30,151	1,011,329	503,513	230,763	277,053
April	419,054	396,578	245,928	989,240	31,762	1,021,002	507,745	243,077	280,180
May	411,963	463,900	297,865	1,002,555	32,238	1,034,793	511,045	232,171	291,577
June	418,569	436,431	315,727	1,024,109	33,175	1,057,284	507,741	239,349	310,194
July	399,660	387,786	303,853	1,027,485	34,283	1,061,768	505,027	239,651	317,090
August	427,008	425,846	302,691	1,026,983	36,153	1,063,136	495,602	241,612	325,922
September	460,319	443,554	285,926	1,021,439	35,665	1,057,104	483,488	237,699	335,917
October	467,140	452,575	271,361	1,016,298	37,449	1,053,747	483,113	233,864	336,770
November	429,808	444,455	286,008	1,007,657	37,519	1,045,176	481,378	232,701	331,097
December	414,135	410,944	282,817	1,016,882	37,236	1,054,118	499,016	229,108	325,994
Total	5,038,043								
1954 -									
January	359,981	350,587	273,423	1,033,170	37,306	1,070,476	512,685	235,909	321,882
February	393,881	396,459	276,001	1,034,976	37,094	1,072,070	520,114	236,619	315,337
March	448,525	418,002	245,478	1,040,599	38,416	1,079,015	528,538	237,636	312,841
April	412,907	395,972	228,543	1,021,549	39,289	1,060,838	515,713	238,253	306,872
May	404,647	428,643	252,539	1,039,453	33,104	1,072,557	521,477	235,045	316,035
June	430,444	441,904	263,999	1,050,963	33,198	1,084,161	523,291	234,737	326,133
July	384,948	391,286	270,337	1,033,652	33,954	1,067,606	509,251	230,859	327,496
August	420,403	419,574	269,508	1,024,331	29,704	1,054,035	493,318	225,483	335,234
September	462,689	455,022	261,841	1,015,992	31,159	1,047,151	485,782	225,412	335,957
October	440,590	422,025	243,276	995,673	29,114	1,024,787	468,356	223,381	333,050
November	444,601	455,253	253,928	996,706	29,161	1,025,867	471,940	221,267	332,660
December	434,185	434,352	254,095	998,023	32,325	1,030,348	484,161	221,759	324,428
Total	5,037,801								
1955 -									
January	385,776	361,538	229,857	1,010,559	36,254	1,046,813	503,064	224,290	319,459
February	404,016	399,712	225,553	1,019,659	36,745	1,056,404	510,470	227,483	318,451
March	449,501	426,685	202,737	1,029,962	38,079	1,068,041	515,337	228,564	324,140
April	426,333	422,052	198,456	1,015,890	35,075	1,050,965	507,704	228,307	314,954
May	438,829	465,942	225,569	1,025,600	34,195	1,059,795	506,522	230,039	323,234
June	452,757	466,879	239,691	1,039,115	34,798	1,073,913	495,630	231,175	347,108
July	424,506	427,131	242,316	1,033,164	34,470	1,067,634	500,825	231,464	335,345
August	486,256	495,043	251,103	1,037,085	34,775	1,071,860	490,939	235,115	345,806
September	524,277	522,206	249,032	1,027,105	37,143	1,064,248	472,209	233,497	358,542
October	496,552	498,965	251,445	1,032,363	39,633	1,071,996	473,830	247,757	350,409
November	492,080	486,056	245,421	1,024,211	39,097	1,063,308	484,381	233,325	345,602
December	464,076	445,337	226,682	1,036,066	32,441	1,068,507	494,716	227,454	346,337
Total	5,444,959								
1956 -									
January	409,148	425,728	243,262	1,056,858	33,113	1,089,971	514,891	228,890	346,190
February	439,481	439,338	243,119	1,065,637	33,614	1,099,251	527,764	236,713	334,774
March	460,069	434,921	217,971	1,068,249	31,024	1,099,273	526,389	235,841	337,043
April	448,961	436,309	205,319	1,073,199	32,294	1,105,493	525,640	233,593	346,260
May	475,893	493,807	223,233	1,079,415	32,294	1,111,709	526,335	235,252	350,122
June	479,037	492,597	236,793	1,106,728	30,612	1,137,340	525,847	236,417	375,076
July	462,278	463,199	237,714	1,105,011	33,685	1,118,696	528,806	217,969	371,921
August	510,895	495,237	222,056	1,091,205	13,389	1,104,594	519,730	215,344	369,520
September(3)	520,180	517,257	219,133	1,092,024	13,214	1,105,238	502,859	216,051	386,328
October (3)	547,684	544,495	215,944	1,072,224	14,187	1,086,411	499,024	214,598	372,789
November (3)	521,207	522,311	217,048	1,072,530	14,361	1,086,891	503,455	215,523	367,913

(1) This table is a sub-total for Tables 3, a2; 3, a3; and 3, a4.

(2) Coverage during 1952 was not adequate to provide separate estimates of Inventory Owned, and Inventory Held but Not Owned, for this group.

(3) Preliminary.

Table 3. (Cont'd) - ESTIMATED VALUE OF SHIPMENTS, ORDERS AND INVENTORY IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES
GROUPED ACCORDING TO AN ECONOMIC USE CLASSIFICATION, by months. (1)

(in thousands of dollars)

CONSUMER GOODS INDUSTRIES

(a2) - Perishable Consumer Goods Industries.

(For definitions, see Page 42.)

(For industries included, see Page 40)

Date	SHIPMENTS	ORDERS		INVENTORY AT END OF MONTH					
		New Orders Received During Month	Unfilled Orders at end of Month	Owned	Held but not Owned	All	Inventory Held		
						Total	Raw Materials	Goods in Process	Finished Products
1952 -									
January	240,035	N/A	8,603	581,184	-	581,184	324,061	101,751	155,372
February	231,339	231,178	8,442	575,353	-	575,353	324,460	103,898	146,995
March	224,208	223,761	7,995	574,729	-	574,729	322,870	108,141	143,718
April	252,804	252,529	7,720	558,476	-	558,476	310,866	110,536	137,074
May	278,231	277,234	6,723	564,073	-	564,073	310,272	112,300	141,501
June	264,436	264,713	7,000	558,554	-	558,554	297,218	112,742	148,594
July	270,000	270,265	7,265	553,032	-	553,032	288,918	112,433	151,681
August	250,500	251,042	7,807	552,101	-	552,101	273,420	112,973	165,708
September	258,032	259,118	8,893	566,101	-	566,101	258,778	113,038	194,285
October	276,927	275,973	7,939	555,150	-	555,150	246,936	112,474	195,740
November	266,668	265,235	6,506	543,741	-	543,741	244,635	114,176	184,930
December	276,937	279,574	9,143	548,954	-	548,954	263,999	111,319	173,636
Total	3,090,117								
1953 -									
January	232,883	231,594	7,854	555,403	-	555,403	274,807	112,795	167,801
February	228,738	228,869	7,985	563,034	-	563,034	288,444	116,144	158,446
March	251,685	252,492	8,792	563,620	-	563,620	292,618	117,981	153,021
April	251,498	251,112	8,406	568,054	-	568,054	295,127	119,944	152,983
May	262,182	260,491	6,715	572,507	-	572,507	293,027	121,716	157,764
June	279,964	279,437	6,188	577,300	-	577,300	293,032	122,114	162,154
July	273,161	277,501	10,528	573,011	-	573,011	286,308	120,392	166,311
August	270,660	273,026	12,894	573,161	-	573,161	276,977	119,777	176,407
September	276,305	278,725	15,314	580,946	-	580,946	268,412	118,031	194,503
October	289,303	287,680	13,691	588,923	-	588,923	271,676	117,949	199,298
November	277,571	275,584	11,704	584,435	-	584,435	274,890	118,076	191,469
December	283,073	280,365	8,996	577,434	-	577,434	288,177	115,335	173,922
Total	3,177,023								
1954 -									
January	234,737	234,641	8,900	585,054	-	585,054	299,809	119,100	166,145
February	241,877	241,660	8,683	590,226	-	590,226	311,802	118,518	159,906
March	265,024	264,942	8,601	605,540	-	605,540	326,488	120,479	158,573
April	257,574	256,327	7,354	591,702	-	591,702	318,422	121,952	151,328
May	268,770	267,534	6,118	601,855	-	601,855	323,926	123,280	154,649
June	297,650	303,506	11,974	609,390	-	609,390	328,325	122,972	158,093
July	271,528	274,087	14,533	591,595	-	591,595	310,588	120,054	160,953
August	261,434	263,423	16,522	597,440	-	597,440	299,306	120,251	177,883
September	279,845	282,241	18,918	607,815	-	607,815	295,089	119,595	193,131
October	273,377	271,285	16,826	594,958	-	594,958	278,942	119,078	196,938
November	278,999	276,221	14,048	598,691	-	598,691	287,070	118,311	193,310
December	297,278	296,177	12,947	591,812	-	591,812	299,077	115,170	177,565
Total	3,228,093								
1955 -									
January	252,207	252,211	12,951	593,420	-	593,420	310,103	115,930	167,387
February	245,563	241,584	8,972	597,651	-	597,651	321,119	117,214	159,318
March	266,457	265,504	8,019	607,644	-	607,644	328,214	117,971	161,459
April	271,374	271,731	8,376	597,118	-	597,118	329,342	117,538	150,238
May	291,332	291,004	8,048	599,228	-	599,228	324,632	118,830	155,766
June	308,631	308,991	8,408	603,528	-	603,528	313,528	118,147	171,853
July	301,621	307,462	14,249	588,200	-	588,200	308,102	115,520	164,578
August	309,829	314,395	18,815	595,794	-	595,794	301,065	114,473	180,256
September	310,592	308,281	16,504	600,512	-	600,512	283,450	113,445	203,617
October	300,197	302,519	18,826	618,461	-	618,461	286,878	128,327	203,256
November	300,939	298,776	16,663	610,375	-	610,375	297,306	114,568	198,501
December	303,533	300,604	13,734	608,281	-	608,281	304,567	113,850	189,864
Total	3,462,275								
1956 -									
January	265,969	266,630	14,395	620,078	-	620,078	321,137	113,723	185,218
February	269,090	269,820	15,125	613,867	-	613,867	325,573	115,316	172,978
March	282,144	284,255	17,236	613,299	-	613,299	326,996	116,512	169,791
April	284,867	284,545	16,914	616,578	-	616,578	326,881	118,555	171,142
May	314,627	311,346	13,633	615,048	-	615,048	326,426	119,139	169,483
June	326,161	327,690	15,162	627,058	-	627,058	322,867	120,689	183,502
July	321,784	326,203	19,581	625,104	-	625,104	321,084	121,007	183,013
August	331,847	333,968	21,702	618,200	-	618,200	313,828	118,146	186,426
September(1)	325,222	326,442	22,922	635,145	-	635,145	300,706	117,725	216,714
October (2)	344,708	341,181	19,395	627,746	-	627,746	300,189	119,291	208,266
November(2)	331,609	330,718	18,504	629,635	-	629,635	308,512	118,938	202,185

(1) See footnote 1, page 4.

(2) Preliminary.

Table 3. (Cont'd) - ESTIMATED VALUE OF SHIPMENTS, ORDERS AND INVENTORY IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES GROUPED ACCORDING TO AN ECONOMIC USE CLASSIFICATION, by months. (1)

(in thousands of dollars)
CONSUMER GOODS INDUSTRIES

(a3) - Semi-Durable Consumer Goods Industries

(For definitions, see Page 42)

(For industries included, see Page 40)

Date	SHIPMENTS	ORDERS		Owned	Held but not Owned	INVENTORY AT END OF MONTH			
		New Orders Received During Month	Unfilled Orders at end of Month			TOTAL	Raw Materials	Goods in Process	Finished Products
1952 -									
January	79,022	N/A	129,313	306,545	-	306,545	168,016	40,957	97,572
February	100,258	97,384	126,439	299,636	-	299,636	163,642	41,961	94,033
March	111,013	96,784	112,210	284,402	-	284,402	154,482	41,831	88,089
April	104,891	94,011	101,330	278,359	-	278,359	153,029	40,950	84,380
May	96,159	106,135	111,306	271,973	-	271,973	148,286	391,540	84,147
June	83,612	99,524	127,218	279,906	-	279,906	149,565	41,091	89,250
July	76,627	90,278	140,869	283,638	-	283,638	153,729	44,117	85,792
August	105,550	95,505	130,824	271,958	-	271,958	150,119	44,590	77,249
September	125,959	112,985	117,850	258,383	-	258,383	144,035	44,263	70,085
October	132,357	118,449	103,942	250,357	-	250,357	140,400	41,073	68,884
November	108,846	123,997	119,093	247,436	-	247,436	137,826	41,467	68,143
December	88,872	103,759	133,980	265,115	-	265,115	143,367	41,537	80,211
Total	1,213,166								
1953 -									
January	91,453	104,360	146,887	273,995	-	273,995	146,821	44,983	82,191
February	110,902	101,507	137,492	277,965	-	277,965	147,972	46,303	83,690
March	127,511	96,471	106,452	276,861	-	276,861	147,099	46,857	82,905
April	111,305	98,102	93,249	277,927	-	277,927	146,918	46,485	84,524
May	95,686	114,784	112,347	282,830	-	282,830	147,957	46,395	88,478
June	83,963	100,514	128,898	293,141	-	293,141	147,388	47,927	97,826
July	82,743	83,314	129,469	297,668	-	297,668	152,523	48,258	96,887
August	111,799	100,769	118,439	292,508	-	292,508	151,362	49,384	91,762
September	125,099	105,003	98,343	278,795	-	278,795	146,150	47,814	84,831
October	118,199	100,418	80,562	266,407	-	266,407	141,689	44,057	80,661
November	94,208	108,445	94,799	265,205	-	265,205	139,414	42,850	82,941
December	74,312	82,291	102,778	278,638	-	278,638	142,914	39,141	96,583
Total	1,227,180								
1954 -									
January	80,162	75,821	98,437	284,071	-	284,071	144,766	43,380	95,925
February	102,403	103,932	99,966	278,008	-	278,008	141,116	42,609	94,283
March	118,761	95,161	76,366	269,248	-	269,248	135,942	41,289	92,017
April	99,467	93,799	70,698	265,057	-	265,057	132,736	39,863	92,458
May	81,591	100,208	89,315	271,433	-	271,433	133,643	40,665	97,125
June	77,735	87,241	98,821	277,622	-	277,622	134,050	43,235	100,377
July	69,877	71,488	100,432	279,992	-	279,992	139,527	41,982	98,483
August	105,262	93,926	89,096	270,552	-	270,552	135,141	41,915	93,496
September	119,533	107,644	77,207	255,605	-	255,605	130,353	39,911	85,341
October	107,073	93,174	63,308	249,006	-	249,006	129,456	38,356	81,194
November	97,016	110,273	76,565	247,226	-	247,226	126,306	37,865	83,055
December	75,855	86,920	87,630	250,919	-	250,919	124,735	35,114	91,070
Total	1,134,735								
1955 -									
January	79,926	86,768	94,472	262,320	-	262,320	130,852	37,287	94,181
February	101,991	97,782	90,263	266,149	-	266,149	128,730	38,367	99,052
March	117,109	107,737	80,891	260,991	-	260,991	125,819	38,558	96,614
April	100,488	93,166	73,569	254,630	-	254,630	119,554	37,165	97,911
May	92,064	111,796	93,301	259,723	-	259,723	121,132	39,488	99,103
June	85,125	97,237	105,413	267,778	-	267,778	122,616	39,787	105,375
July	74,601	72,921	103,933	278,420	-	278,420	131,633	41,165	105,622
August	113,332	112,518	103,119	274,979	-	274,979	130,467	42,322	102,190
September	132,330	118,513	89,302	266,815	-	266,815	129,390	40,886	96,539
October	121,505	121,660	89,457	255,619	-	255,619	126,056	39,188	90,375
November	114,464	128,896	103,889	252,281	-	252,281	124,582	37,617	90,082
December	90,821	91,494	104,562	261,243	-	261,243	125,615	39,017	96,611
Total	1,223,556								
1956 -									
January	90,097	99,120	113,585	265,987	-	265,987	127,402	40,801	97,784
February	112,625	108,699	109,659	274,525	-	274,525	133,233	42,632	98,660
March	117,159	100,423	92,923	273,255	-	273,255	130,526	42,564	100,165
April	106,284	103,064	89,703	275,077	-	275,077	129,002	42,654	103,421
May	101,260	118,675	107,118	281,667	-	281,667	128,960	44,367	108,340
June	88,599	96,701	115,220	292,302	-	292,302	132,555	45,789	113,958
July	84,120	85,695	116,795	296,149	-	296,149	137,384	46,177	112,588
August	119,775	106,523	103,543	288,847	-	288,847	134,234	46,446	108,167
September(2)	122,103	114,123	95,563	280,016	-	280,016	131,685	45,946	102,385
October (2)	130,198	136,829	102,194	271,478	-	271,478	129,590	44,054	97,834
November (2)	120,553	125,995	107,636	267,775	-	267,775	126,388	44,296	97,091

(1) See footnote 1, page 4.

(2) Preliminary.

Table 3. (Cont'd) - ESTIMATED VALUE OF SHIPMENTS, ORDERS AND INVENTORY IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES
GROUPED ACCORDING TO AN ECONOMIC USE CLASSIFICATION, by months. (1)

(in thousands of dollars)
CONSUMER GOODS INDUSTRIES

(a4) - Durable Consumer Goods Industries (4)

(For definitions, see Page 42)

(For industries included, see Page 40)

Date	SHIPMENTS	ORDERS		INVENTORY AT END OF MONTH			
		New Orders Received During Month	Unfilled Orders at end of Month	Owned	Held but not Owned	All	Inventory Held
		TOTAL	Raw Materials			Goods in Process	Finished Products
1952 -							
January	27,251	N/A	96,066	(2)	(2)	159,871	63,477
February	32,661	32,942	96,347			158,422	62,430
March	35,830	45,190	105,707			159,580	63,158
April	36,818	36,672	105,561			157,145	61,098
May	40,807	46,154	110,908			160,083	61,360
June	43,602	47,033	114,339			161,475	61,064
July	38,049	38,997	115,287			160,152	60,978
August	39,860	53,507	128,934			156,895	60,534
September	47,059	51,095	132,970			157,744	58,199
October	53,294	61,121	140,797			155,266	56,165
November	50,153	49,159	139,803			156,302	57,909
December	48,724	62,112	153,191	131,342	24,375	155,717	60,148
Total	494,108						56,945
1953 -							
January	41,880	48,729	160,040	134,850	26,184	161,034	61,700
February	50,051	42,923	152,912	137,684	28,530	166,214	61,586
March	55,284	55,532	153,160	140,697	30,151	170,848	63,796
April	56,251	47,364	144,273	143,259	31,762	175,021	65,700
May	54,095	88,625	178,803	147,218	32,238	179,456	70,061
June	54,642	56,480	180,641	153,668	33,175	186,843	67,321
July	43,756	26,971	163,856	156,806	34,283	191,089	66,196
August	44,549	52,051	171,358	161,314	36,153	197,467	67,263
September	58,915	59,826	172,269	161,698	35,665	197,363	68,926
October	59,638	64,477	177,108	160,968	37,449	198,417	69,748
November	58,029	60,426	179,505	158,017	37,519	195,536	67,074
December	56,750	48,288	171,043	160,810	37,236	198,046	67,925
Total	633,840						74,632
1954 -							
January	45,082	40,125	166,086	164,045	37,306	201,351	68,110
February	49,601	50,867	167,352	166,742	37,094	203,836	67,196
March	64,740	57,899	160,511	165,811	38,416	204,227	66,108
April	55,866	45,846	150,491	164,790	39,289	204,079	64,555
May	54,286	60,901	157,106	166,165	33,104	199,269	63,908
June	55,059	51,157	153,204	163,911	33,198	197,109	60,916
July	43,543	45,711	155,372	162,065	33,954	196,019	59,136
August	53,707	62,225	163,890	156,339	29,704	186,043	58,871
September	63,311	65,137	165,716	152,572	31,159	183,731	60,340
October	60,140	57,566	163,142	151,709	29,114	180,823	59,958
November	68,586	68,759	163,315	150,789	29,161	179,950	58,564
December	61,052	51,255	153,518	155,292	32,325	187,617	60,349
Total	674,973						71,475
1955 -							
January	53,643	22,559	122,434	154,819	36,254	191,073	62,109
February	56,462	60,346	126,318	155,859	36,745	192,604	60,621
March	65,935	53,444	113,827	161,327	38,079	199,406	61,304
April	54,471	57,155	116,511	164,142	35,075	199,217	58,808
May	55,433	63,142	124,220	166,649	34,195	200,844	60,758
June	59,001	60,651	125,870	167,809	34,798	202,607	59,486
July	48,484	46,748	124,134	166,544	34,470	201,014	61,090
August	63,095	68,130	129,169	166,312	34,775	201,087	59,407
September	81,355	95,412	143,226	159,778	37,143	196,921	59,369
October	74,850	74,786	143,162	158,283	39,633	197,916	60,896
November	76,677	58,384	124,869	161,555	39,097	200,652	62,493
December	69,722	53,239	108,386	166,542	32,441	198,983	64,534
Total	759,128						74,587
1956 -							
January	53,082	59,978	115,282	170,793	33,113	203,906	66,352
February	57,766	60,819	118,335	177,245	33,614	210,859	68,958
March	60,766	50,243	107,812	181,695	31,024	212,719	68,867
April	57,810	48,700	98,702	181,544	32,294	213,838	69,757
May	60,006	63,786	102,482	182,700	32,294	214,994	70,949
June	64,477	68,206	100,411	187,368	30,612	217,980	70,425
July	56,374	51,301	101,338	183,758	13,685	197,443	70,338
August	59,273	54,746	96,811	184,158	13,389	197,547	71,868
September	72,855	76,692	100,648	176,863	13,214	190,077	70,468
October	(3) 72,778	66,485	94,355	173,000	14,187	187,187	69,245
November	(3) 69,045	65,598	90,908	175,120	14,361	189,481	68,555
December							52,289

(1) See footnote 1, page 4.

(2) Coverage during 1952 was not adequate to provide separate estimates of Inventory Owned, and Inventory Held but Not Owned, for this group. (3) Preliminary. (4) This grouping does not include the Consumer portion of Motor Vehicles, nor of Heating and Cooking Apparatus; it does include the Electronic equipment portion of Radios and Parts, and the office and store equipment portion of Furniture.

TABLE 4. - ESTIMATED VALUE OF SHIPMENTS, ORDERS, AND INVENTORIES IN SELECTED INDIVIDUAL INDUSTRIES

Industry	(in thousands of dollars)												
	1955		1956										
Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept. (1)	Oct. (1)	Nov. (1)	
<u>CLOTHING</u> - Concl'd.													
<u>Other Knit Goods</u>													
Shipments	10,268	8,093	6,275	7,931	8,127	7,225	6,638	7,033	7,780	10,764	11,812	12,377	11,678
Total Inventory Owned	24,019	25,144	26,454	28,325	29,502	30,880	31,629	32,595	32,328	30,596	29,118	26,905	26,747
Raw Materials	8,800	8,545	8,735	9,580	9,665	10,138	10,025	10,410	10,373	10,019	10,070	9,943	9,754
Goods in Process	5,756	6,071	6,352	6,435	6,481	6,613	6,745	6,508	6,436	6,108	6,212	6,147	6,180
Finished Products	9,463	10,528	11,367	12,310	13,356	14,129	14,859	15,677	15,519	14,469	12,836	10,815	10,813
<u>Corsets</u>													
Shipments	2,004	1,626	1,989	2,207	2,490	2,294	2,380	2,339	1,945	2,050	2,434	2,418	2,165
Total Inventory Owned	5,026	5,129	4,938	4,920	5,065	5,133	5,340	5,510	5,407	5,228	4,895	4,836	4,803
Raw Material	2,504	2,506	2,393	2,308	2,398	2,415	2,649	2,798	2,907	2,739	2,580	2,501	2,414
Goods in Process	700	689	778	889	867	908	848	886	867	905	862	842	833
Finished Products	1,822	1,934	1,767	1,723	1,800	1,810	1,843	1,826	1,633	1,564	1,453	1,493	1,556
<u>WOOD PRODUCTS</u>													
<u>Plywood and Veneer Mills</u>													
Shipments	9,914	10,675	11,050	10,610	11,509	11,670	11,736	10,029	8,224	10,362	10,008	10,780	9,160
Total Inventory Owned	9,111	8,667	9,428	10,597	11,921	13,025	12,757	12,706	13,370	13,669	14,006	13,654	13,939
<u>Furniture</u>													
Shipments	25,862	22,900	19,690	21,415	21,787	21,534	23,638	22,904	19,823	24,270	24,786	28,394	26,433
Total Inventory Owned	45,048	47,757	49,580	50,948	50,792	49,097	49,014	48,950	48,894	48,428	47,923	47,578	48,414
Raw Materials	25,035	27,466	28,721	29,561	29,860	29,380	29,156	28,567	28,739	28,211	28,039	27,945	28,574
Goods in Process	10,356	10,304	10,112	10,823	11,187	11,017	11,020	11,159	11,771	11,566	11,167	11,390	11,534
Finished Products	9,657	9,987	10,747	10,564	9,745	8,700	8,838	9,224	8,384	8,651	8,717	8,243	8,306
<u>PAPER PRODUCTS</u>													
<u>Paper Boxes and Bags</u>													
Shipments	18,725	17,614	16,781	16,802	17,705	19,716	20,226	19,964	19,472	20,819	19,725	20,321	20,292
Total Inventory Owned	23,958	26,968	27,085	27,674	28,978	30,088	32,695	34,736	34,931	35,383	35,210	33,828	34,355
<u>Pulp and Paper Mills</u>													
Shipments	120,317	115,708	111,625	115,719	121,012	116,520	126,670	121,065	118,666	127,834	117,735	126,589	120,528
Total Inventory Owned	224,090	235,670	233,564	238,090	238,129	233,157	232,077	233,780	240,287	245,606	250,031	256,898	259,530
Raw Materials and Goods in Process	204,608	220,117	216,031	219,436	215,364	210,513	209,362	210,697	215,306	219,440	225,616	232,305	234,524
Finished Products	19,482	15,553	17,533	18,654	22,765	22,644	22,715	23,083	24,981	26,166	24,415	24,593	25,006
<u>Roofing Paper</u>													
Shipments	2,868	1,801	2,968	2,259	2,743	2,914	4,275	5,400	4,958	5,360	4,994	4,295	3,562
Total Inventory Owned	4,957	5,368	5,493	5,807	6,186	6,413	6,519	6,168	6,323	6,038	5,825	5,950	5,948
<u>IRON AND STEEL PRODUCTS</u>													
<u>Agricultural Implements</u>													
Shipments	3,969	3,722	8,381	12,283	11,865	14,641	12,813	12,242	15,933	12,229	7,920	n.a.	n.a.
Total Inventory Owned	61,168	65,456	71,233	73,762	75,993	76,400	73,429	70,388	62,737	57,936	54,383	n.a.	n.a.
<u>Boilers and Plate Works</u>													
Shipments	9,721	8,940	6,399	7,435	8,535	7,636	9,725	10,805	7,660	8,938	10,220	10,263	9,355
New Orders	6,648	12,570	4,552	12,598	12,951	7,424	10,959	13,590	8,000	16,175	12,284	8,260	10,592
Unfilled Orders	69,153	72,783	70,936	76,099	80,515	80,303	81,537	84,322	84,662	91,899	93,963	91,960	93,197
Total Inventory Owned	23,107	22,378	21,084	23,255	24,890	25,339	29,049	27,679	26,885	25,524	24,772	25,636	25,068
Total Inventory Held	30,057	30,882	30,905	34,217	37,375	38,294	41,904	41,252	40,851	40,742	40,966	41,863	41,035

(1) Preliminary

N.A. - Not available.

TABLE 4. - ESTIMATED VALUE OF SHIPMENTS, ORDERS, AND INVENTORIES IN SELECTED INDIVIDUAL INDUSTRIES

(in thousands of dollars)

Industry	1955		1956											
	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept. (2)	Oct. (2)	Nov. (2)	
IRON AND STEEL PRODUCTS - Cont'd.														
Fabricated and Structural Steel														
Shipments	9,713	15,412	11,857	12,844	16,461	19,660	22,419	19,780	17,035	16,371	30,599	31,779	31,798	
Total Inventory Owned	38,013	41,349	45,298	48,192	49,564	50,309	51,879	53,666	57,616	56,424	55,596	55,394	53,686	
Total Inventory Held	98,336	104,695	97,741	104,594	110,930	118,422	125,848	132,589	137,440	134,424	135,124	134,023	134,936	
Hardware, Tools and Cutlery														
Shipments	12,892	11,545	12,782	14,430	15,222	14,563	14,663	13,191	11,841	13,163	13,785	14,900	14,665	
Total Inventory Held (1)	32,924	34,559	35,623	36,492	36,430	37,123	34,124	39,230	39,513	39,367	39,212	39,363	40,042	
Raw Materials	13,277	13,620	14,056	14,422	14,658	14,726	13,513	16,180	16,418	16,195	16,111	16,004	15,877	
Goods in Process	8,971	8,380	9,526	9,796	9,667	9,611	9,814	9,579	9,584	9,842	9,729	9,770	10,005	
Finished Products	10,676	11,559	11,941	12,211	12,105	12,786	10,797	13,471	13,511	13,330	13,372	13,589	14,160	
Office, Household and Store Machinery														
Shipments	11,651	11,677	9,932	10,273	11,120	11,119	10,594	11,322	9,917	9,286	11,766	12,507	12,702	
Total Inventory Held (1)	26,443	26,294	26,832	27,520	28,576	28,795	29,362	29,892	30,910	30,540	30,134	31,224	31,515	
Raw Materials	8,751	8,888	8,808	8,509	8,817	8,781	9,030	8,642	8,529	8,513	8,932	8,409	8,690	
Goods in Process	7,162	7,237	7,664	8,534	8,882	9,062	9,029	9,706	10,768	10,541	9,549	11,152	11,055	
Finished Products	10,530	10,169	10,360	10,477	10,877	10,952	11,303	11,544	11,613	11,486	11,653	11,663	11,770	
Iron Castings														
Shipments	20,054	17,447	17,132	18,010	20,878	19,186	21,860	22,364	24,142	23,228	21,425	22,984	21,493	
Total Inventory Held (1)	40,337	44,863	43,114	45,804	47,670	49,646	52,967	53,925	51,908	49,585	46,790	48,023	48,590	
Machine Tools														
Shipments	984	1,043	760	421	1,168	1,270	1,803	1,687	1,650	1,264	1,186	1,339	1,252	
New Orders	1,795	1,275	1,028	1,471	716	2,417	2,125	2,869	1,065	383	1,484	1,569	2,997	
Unfilled Orders	5,521	5,753	6,021	7,071	6,619	7,766	8,088	9,270	8,685	7,804	8,102	8,332	10,077	
Total Inventory Held (1)	4,037	3,916	4,110	4,363	4,217	4,464	4,685	4,598	4,720	5,161	5,107	5,567	5,421	
Raw Materials	997	1,134	1,135	1,237	1,238	1,374	1,355	1,424	1,323	1,535	1,364	1,376	1,449	
Goods in Process	2,001	1,755	1,961	2,104	1,942	2,102	2,423	2,224	2,457	2,780	2,781	3,268	3,083	
Finished Products	1,039	1,027	1,014	1,022	1,037	988	907	950	940	846	962	923	889	
Industrial Machinery														
Shipments	23,567	23,914	18,982	21,565	27,770	28,817	29,049	30,464	24,881	25,151	26,586	30,317	29,863	
New Orders	29,148	45,522	35,185	28,428	27,413	34,463	18,667	35,333	21,827	23,490	32,118	26,161	35,736	
Unfilled Orders	133,649	155,257	171,460	178,323	177,966	183,612	173,230	178,099	175,045	173,384	178,916	174,760	180,633	
Total Inventory Owned	56,636	66,290	65,751	66,630	68,475	68,703	71,879	74,248	73,974	76,983	77,395	79,316	81,233	
Total Inventory Held	79,525	81,922	82,383	84,503	88,407	91,236	96,330	99,345	100,132	103,763	105,996	110,083	113,698	
Raw Materials	25,179	27,055	27,495	28,070	29,677	31,358	31,915	32,757	33,698	33,908	34,095	34,528	34,307	
Goods in Process	34,161	33,973	32,322	33,510	36,342	37,787	41,454	43,369	43,130	46,329	47,798	50,759	53,556	
Finished Products	20,185	20,894	22,566	22,923	22,388	22,091	22,961	23,219	23,304	23,526	24,103	24,796	25,835	
Primary Iron and Steel														
Shipments	53,803	51,733	49,914	56,715	60,667	52,012	60,304	57,087	59,062	59,737	60,336	61,986	65,650	
New Orders	58,571	60,804	49,680	61,096	53,290	48,161	60,576	42,089	54,567	77,062	53,422	59,840	78,048	
Unfilled Orders	147,165	156,236	156,002	160,383	153,006	149,155	149,427	134,429	129,934	147,259	140,345	138,199	150,597	
Total Inventory Owned	102,113	101,145	100,856	95,628	89,297	89,578	93,998	103,890	108,294	119,472	120,030	132,483	131,878	
Raw Materials	53,931	50,423	45,985	42,959	38,634	32,824	37,020	45,690	49,600	58,988	60,154	69,051	69,066	
Goods in Process	26,941	28,613	31,728	31,161	29,741	31,868	34,882	34,732	36,771	36,961	37,439	39,552	35,206	
Finished Products	21,241	22,109	23,143	21,508	20,922	24,886	22,096	23,468	21,923	23,523	22,437	23,880	27,606	
Sheet Metal Products														
Shipments	22,496	18,868	15,564	17,976	21,520	18,147	22,106	23,557	24,514	28,162	29,242	26,463	22,254	
New Orders	22,701	19,200	22,226	18,733	21,959	17,361	21,803	23,698	23,185	31,190	25,749	23,511	22,206	
Unfilled Orders	30,336	30,668	37,330	38,087	38,526	37,740	37,437	37,578	36,249	39,277	35,784	32,832	32,784	
Total Inventory Owned	53,979	53,418	57,683	68,024	73,858	76,562	77,006	79,961	77,503	76,936	71,623	66,576	64,627	

(1) The value of Inventory held but not owned in this industry is very small, and sample coverage is not adequate to provide separate data. Estimates for this type of inventory are included with Total Inventory Held; for all practical purpose this can be considered the equivalent of Inventory Owned as well.

(2) Preliminary.

TABLE 4. - ESTIMATED VALUE OF SHIPMENTS, ORDERS, AND INVENTORIES IN SELECTED INDIVIDUAL INDUSTRIES

(in thousands of dollars)

Industry	1955						1956						Oct. (1)	Nov. (1)
	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept. (1)			
<u>NON-METALLIC MINERAL PRODUCTS - Concl'd.</u>														
<u>Cement and Concrete Products</u>														
Shipments	14,309	8,007	8,726	9,378	12,989	16,600	22,939	22,638	21,612	21,958	18,452	22,017	20,685	
Total Inventory Owned	19,321	22,209	25,105	26,904	27,325	26,469	23,852	21,659	21,743	22,165	20,088	19,332	19,497	
Raw Materials and Goods in Process	14,890	15,424	16,099	16,094	15,733	14,922	14,151	13,711	15,534	17,311	15,660	15,571	15,599	
Finished Products	4,431	6,785	9,006	10,810	11,592	11,547	9,701	7,948	6,209	4,854	4,428	3,761	3,898	
<u>PRODUCTS OF PETROLEUM AND COAL</u>														
<u>Petroleum Refining and Products</u>														
Shipments	93,120	97,513	89,923	83,925	87,110	78,205	94,802	89,633	91,873	95,194	94,255	104,340	101,332	
Total Inventory Owned	225,660	222,220	223,592	224,049	216,577	220,942	217,381	223,296	237,383	244,807	253,084	255,892	258,376	
Raw Materials	47,889	44,976	44,757	45,117	43,381	43,680	45,372	48,176	52,925	54,791	53,833	54,663	57,212	
Goods in Process	16,222	17,410	17,340	17,753	17,278	20,132	17,715	16,876	17,591	18,521	18,679	18,655	17,694	
Finished Products	161,549	159,834	161,495	161,179	155,918	157,130	154,294	158,244	166,867	171,495	180,572	182,574	183,470	
<u>CHEMICAL PRODUCTS</u>														
<u>Acids, Alkalies and Salts</u>														
Shipments	15,687	15,533	13,596	16,642	14,512	16,129	18,345	16,046	14,191	17,635	18,057	17,077	15,161	
Total Inventory Owned	20,955	20,857	21,708	22,127	22,944	23,734	23,831	24,946	25,995	25,627	25,137	25,797	26,297	
<u>Fertilizers</u>														
Shipments	4,683	5,995	7,048	8,322	7,950	10,413	10,940	5,812	3,020	4,643	4,811	4,322	4,269	
Total Inventory Owned	17,169	17,823	16,510	15,229	15,369	13,529	10,788	10,481	11,500	13,065	13,121	15,594	16,410	
<u>Medicinal and Pharmaceutical Preparations</u>														
Shipments	9,076	7,540	8,816	10,312	9,155	9,129	9,148	8,426	7,933	9,948	10,820	12,098	11,625	
Total Inventory Owned	26,300	27,467	27,472	28,358	28,599	29,360	29,614	29,882	29,959	29,317	28,352	27,825	28,102	
Raw Materials	9,686	9,796	10,031	10,107	10,051	10,294	10,367	10,374	10,654	10,900	10,605	10,276	10,285	
Goods in Process	5,493	6,119	6,085	6,001	6,072	6,139	6,141	6,201	6,166	5,168	5,392	5,545	5,718	
Finished Products	11,121	11,552	11,356	12,250	12,476	12,927	13,106	13,307	13,139	13,249	12,355	12,004	12,099	
<u>Paints and Varnishes</u>														
Shipments	9,656	8,066	9,533	9,230	11,034	13,294	14,764	13,753	12,494	11,895	10,039	10,847	10,433	
Total Inventory Owned	27,362	27,177	29,276	30,845	31,713	30,746	30,337	29,391	28,866	27,788	27,695	27,871	28,045	
Raw Materials	10,094	10,519	10,673	10,920	11,162	10,796	10,595	10,713	10,826	10,409	10,172	9,949	10,092	
Goods in Process	1,605	1,702	1,826	1,880	1,897	1,928	1,967	1,838	1,920	1,895	1,853	1,740	1,734	
Finished Products	15,663	14,956	16,777	18,045	18,654	18,022	17,775	16,840	16,120	15,484	15,670	16,182	16,219	
<u>Soaps, Washing and Cleaning Compounds</u>														
Shipments	8,761	6,729	8,494	8,703	7,990	8,877	9,759	9,737	8,681	8,947	9,662	9,907	8,923	
Total Inventory Owned	14,539	17,287	17,813	17,478	17,166	17,274	17,858	18,919	17,651	17,325	17,231	17,372	18,402	
Raw Materials	5,298	6,413	6,606	6,689	6,216	5,775	6,151	6,513	6,685	7,105	6,357	6,087	6,770	
Goods in Process	1,239	1,541	1,557	1,565	1,544	1,572	1,452	1,639	1,589	1,532	1,450	1,509	1,432	
Finished Products	8,002	9,333	9,650	9,224	9,406	9,927	10,255	10,767	9,377	8,688	9,424	9,776	10,200	
<u>Toilet Preparations</u>														
Shipments	5,021	2,659	2,534	3,067	3,564	3,876	3,823	3,662	3,340	3,440	4,053	4,934	5,003	
Total Inventory Owned	7,818	7,909	8,367	8,528	8,630	8,448	8,399	8,741	9,037	9,722	9,649	9,086	8,740	
Raw Materials and Goods in Process	5,132	4,998	5,176	5,199	5,377	5,286	4,949	5,152	5,551	5,976	5,837	5,509	5,503	
Finished Products	2,686	2,911	3,191	3,329	3,253	3,162	3,450	3,589	3,486	3,746	3,812	3,577	3,237	
<u>Primary Plastics</u>														
Shipments	7,275	6,475	6,334	6,849	7,110	7,553	8,421	6,871	6,245	7,512	7,543	6,972	7,105	
Total Inventory Owned	9,858	10,090	10,845	11,379	11,399	11,012	10,884	10,817	11,041	10,969	10,919	10,855	11,271	

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(in thousands of dollars)

Industry	1955					1956							
	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept. (1)	Oct. (1)	Nov. (1)
CHEMICAL PRODUCTS - Conc'l'd.													
Compressed Gases													
Shipments	1,568	1,379	856	1,560	1,633	1,716	1,769	1,873	2,093	1,774	1,597	1,240	1,655
Total Inventory Owned	3,629	3,084	2,963	3,103	3,410	3,810	4,225	4,634	4,928	5,210	5,560	4,989	5,394
Raw Materials	818	848	883	858	838	847	815	960	1,027	1,065	1,038	1,095	1,110
Goods in Process	1,565	952	705	855	1,037	1,375	1,814	2,033	2,214	2,420	2,577	2,245	2,483
Finished Products	1,246	1,284	1,375	1,390	1,535	1,588	1,596	1,641	1,687	1,725	1,945	1,649	1,801
Adhesives													
Shipments	1,141	1,355	1,232	1,285	1,314	1,228	1,147	1,161	970	1,015	1,102	1,231	1,135
Total Inventory Owned	2,446	2,350	2,371	2,251	2,048	2,057	2,174	2,214	2,167	2,133	2,136	2,203	2,190
Raw Material and Goods in Process	1,178	1,101	1,118	1,055	890	917	1,016	1,097	1,114	1,100	1,111	1,208	1,125
Finished Products	1,268	1,249	1,253	1,196	1,158	1,140	1,158	1,117	1,053	1,033	1,025	995	1,065
MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES													
Brooms, Brushes and Mops													
Shipments	1,527	1,267	1,508	1,665	1,675	1,608	1,723	1,633	1,285	1,450	1,485	1,933	1,977
Total Inventory Owned	5,996	5,981	6,061	5,785	5,622	5,560	5,509	5,293	5,339	5,495	5,562	5,532	5,557
Raw Materials	3,220	3,061	3,113	2,952	2,818	2,747	2,725	2,637	2,721	2,858	2,938	2,833	2,807
Goods in Process	544	565	566	526	526	506	480	484	493	513	514	534	530
Finished Products	2,232	2,355	2,382	2,307	2,278	2,307	2,304	2,172	2,125	2,124	2,111	2,165	2,220

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INDUSTRIES INCLUDED IN EACH ECONOMIC USE GROUPING IN TABLE 3

The bracketed numbers following each industry title indicate the Standard Industrial Classification Grouping (Table 2) to which the industry belongs.

The bracketed letters following the individual industry titles indicate the series in which the industry is included on the basis of monthly reports from firms or from special estimates - (s) means that the industry is covered for the shipments series; (i) for the inventory series; (o) for the orders series. Industries for which monthly coverage is not indicated are included in the all-industry and group total estimates as described in the December, 1955 report, page 76.

An asterisk preceding the individual industry title indicates that data for the industry are shown separately in Table 4.

PERISHABLE CONSUMER GOODS INDUSTRIES

- * Slaughtering and Meat Packing (1) (s)(i)
- Sausages and Casings (1)
- * Butter and Cheese Factories (1) (s)(i)
- * Concentrated Milk (1) (s)(i)(o)
- * Processed Cheese (1) (s)(i)
- * Other Dairy Products (1) (s)(i)
- * Fruit and Vegetable Preparations (1) (s)(i)(o)
- Breakfast Foods (1) (s)(i)(o)
- * Biscuits and Crackers (1) (s)(i)(o)
- Bread and Other Bakery Products (1) (s)
- Aerated Waters (1) (s)
- Distilled Liquors (1) (s)(i)
- * Breweries (1) (s)(i)
- * Wines (1) (s)(i)(o)
- * Confectionery (1) (s)(i)(o)
- Macaroni (1) (s)(i)
- * Miscellaneous Food Preparations (1) (s)(i)(o)
- Tobacco Processing and Packing (2) (s)(i)
- Tobacco, Cigars and Cigarettes (2) (s)(i)
- Salt (14) (s)(i)
- * Medicinal and Pharmaceutical Preparations (16) (s)(i)(o)
- * Soaps, Washing and Cleaning Compounds (16) (s)(i)(o)
- * Toilet Preparations (16) (s)(i)
- Polishes and Dressings (16) (s)(i)(o)
- Candles (17)

SEMI-DURABLE CONSUMER GOODS INDUSTRIES

- * Rubber Footwear (3) (s)(i)
- * Leather Footwear (4) (s)(i)(o)
- Leather Gloves and Mittens (4)
- Miscellaneous Leather Products (4)
- Carpets, Mats and Rugs (5) (s)(i)(o)
- Oilcloth, Linoleum and Other Coated Fabrics (5) (s)(i)(o)
- Automobile Accessories, Fabric (5)
- Embroideries etc. (5)
- Miscellaneous Textiles, n.e.s. (5) (s)(i)(o)
- Men's Clothing (6) (s)(i)(o)
- Men's Clothing Contractors (6)
- Children's Clothing (6) (s)(i)(o)
- Women's Clothing (6) (s)(i)(o)
- Women's Clothing Contractors (6)
- * Hosiery (6) (s)(i)(o)
- * Other Knit Goods (6) (s)(i)(o)
- * Corsets and Foundation Garments (6) (s)(i)(o)

SEMI-DURABLE CONSUMER GOODS INDUSTRIES (Cont'd)

- Fur Goods (6) (s)(i)
- Hats and Caps (6) (s)(i)(o)
- Oiled and Waterproof Clothing (6)
- Fabric Gloves and Mittens (6)
- Miscellaneous Clothing, n.e.s. (6) (s)(i)(o)
- * Brooms, Brushes and Mops (17) (s)(i)(o)
- Fountain Pens and Pencils (17) (s)(i)(o)
- Sporting Goods (17)
- Toys and Games (17)
- Lamps, electric, and lamp shades (17)
- Pipes, lighters and smokers' supplies (17)
- Umbrellas (17)

DURABLE CONSUMER GOODS INDUSTRIES

- * Furniture (7) (s)(i)(o)
- Bicycles and Parts (11) (s)(i)(o)
- Boat Building (11)
- * Jewellery and Silverware (12) (s)(i)(o)
- * Radios and Parts (13) (s)(i)(o)
- * Refrigerators and Appliances (13) (s)(i)(o)
- Musical Instruments (17) (s)(i)(o)
- Clocks and Watches (17)

HEAVY TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT INDUSTRIES

- Aircraft (11) (s)(i)(o)
- * Railroad and Rolling Stock Equipment (11) (s)(i)(o)
- Shipbuilding and Repairing (11) (s)(i)(o)

OTHER CAPITAL GOODS INDUSTRIES

- * Agricultural Implements (10) (s)(i)(o)
- * Hardware and Tools (10) (s)(i)(o)
- * Household, Office and Store Machinery (10) (s)(i)(o)
- * Machine Tools (10) (s)(i)(o)
- * Industrial Machinery n.e.c. (10) (s)(i)(o)
- * Heavy Electrical Equipment and Machinery (13) (s)(i)(o)
- Signs (17)

CONSTRUCTION GOODS INDUSTRIES

- Sash, Door and Planing Mills (7) (s)(i)(o)
- Hardwood Flooring (7) (s)(i)(o)
- * Roofing Paper (8) (s)(i)(o)
- * Boilers and Plate Work (10) (s)(i)(o)
- * Fabricated and Structural Steel (10) (s)(i)(o)

CONSTRUCTION GOODS INDUSTRIES (Cont'd)

- * Iron Castings (10)(s)(i)(o)
- Aluminum Products (12) (s)(i)(o)
- * Miscellaneous Electrical Products (13) (s)(i)(o)
- * Asbestos Products (14) (s)(i)(o)
- * Cement Portland (14) (s)(i)
- * Cement Products (14) (s)(i)(o)
- Clay Products from Imported Clay (14) (s)(i)(o)
- Gypsum Products (14)
- Stone Products (14) (s)(i)(o)
- Brick and Tile (14)
- Sand-lime Brick (14)
- Clay Products from Domestic Clay (14)
- Miscellaneous Non-Metallic Mineral Products (14) (s)(i)
- Miscellaneous Products of Petroleum and Coal (15) (s)(i)
- Coal Tar Distillation (16) (s)(i)

MISCELLANEOUS INDUSTRIES

(a) INDUSTRIES PRODUCING LARGELY FOR EXPORT

- Canned and Cured Fish (1) (s)(i)(o)
- * Flour Mills (1) (s)(i)(o)
- Sawmills (7) (s)(i)(o)
- * Pulp and Paper Mills (8) (s)(i)(o)
- * Non-Ferrous Metal Smelting and Refining (12) (s)(i)(o)
- * Abrasives and Abrasive Products (14)(s)(i)(o)

(b) MOTOR VEHICLES AND RELATED INDUSTRIES

- * Tires, Tubes and Other Rubber Products (except Footwear) (3) (s)(i)(o)
- * Motor Vehicles (11) (s)(i)
- * Motor Vehicle Parts and Accessories (11) (s)(i)(o)
- * Batteries (13) (s)(i)(o)

(c) INDUSTRIES PRODUCING INTERMEDIATE GOODS AND SUPPLIES

- Prepared Stock and Poultry Feeds (1) (s)(o)
- * Sugar Refineries (1) (s)(i)
- Malt Products (1) (s)(i)
- Animal Oils and Fats (1)
- Feed and Chopping Mills (1)
- * Leather Tanneries (4) (s)(i)(o)
- Belting Leather (4)
- Boot and Shoe Findings (4)
- Cotton Thread (5) (s)(i)
- * Cotton Yarn and Cloth (5) (s)(i)(o)
- Miscellaneous Cotton Goods (5)
- Woollen and Worsted Woven Goods (5) (s)(i)(o)
- * Woollen and Worsted Yarn (5) (s)(i)(o)
- Miscellaneous Woollen Goods (5) (s)(i)(o)
- Rayon, Nylon, and Silk Textiles (5) (s)(i)(o)
- Dyeing and Finishing of Textiles (5)(s)(i)(o)
- Laces, Tapes and Bindings (5) (s)(i)(o)
- * Cordage, Rope and Twine (5) (s)(i)
- Cotton and Jute Bags (5) (s)(i)(o)

(c) INDUSTRIES PRODUCING INTERMEDIATE GOODS AND SUPPLIES (Cont'd)

- Fur Dressing and Dyeing (6)
- * Paper Boxes and Bags (8) (s)(i)(o)
- Miscellaneous Paper Products (8) (s)(i)(o)
- * Primary Iron and Steel (10) (s)(i)(o)
- * Wire and Wire Goods (10) (s)(i)(o)
- White Metal Alloys (12) (s)(i)(o)
- Lime (14)
- Coke and Gas Products (15) (s)(i)(o)
- * Acids, Alkalies and Salts (16) (s)(i)(o)
- * Fertilizers (16) (s)(i)(o)
- Vegetable Oil Mills (16) (s)(i)(o)
- * Primary Plastics (16) (s)(i)(o)
- * Compressed Gases (16) (s)(i)(o)
- * Adhesives (16) (s)(i)(o)
- Printing Inks (16)
- Writing Inks (16)
- Typewriter Supplies (17)
- Buttons, Buckles and Fasteners (17)
- Artificial Flowers and Feathers (17)
- Hair Goods (17)
- Stamps and Stencils (17)
- Miscellaneous Industries n.e.c. (17) (s)(i)(o)

(d) UNCLASSIFIABLE INDUSTRIES

- Starch and Glucose (1)
- Canvas Products (5) (s)(i)(o)
- * Plywood and Veneer Mills (7) (s)(i)(o)
- Miscellaneous Wood Products (7) (s)(i)(o)
- Commercial Printing (9) (s)
- Engraving, Stereotyping and Allied Industries (9) (s)
- Printing and Publishing (9) (s)
- Heating and Cooking Apparatus (10) (s)(i)(o)
- * Sheet Metal Products (10) (s)(i)(o)
- * Miscellaneous Iron and Steel Products (10)(s)(i)(o)
- Machine Shop Products (10)
- Miscellaneous Transportation Equipment (11)
- * Brass and Copper Products (12) (s)(i)(o)
- Miscellaneous Non-Ferrous Metal Products (12)
- Glass and Glass Products (14) (s)(i)(o)
- * Petroleum Refining and Products (15) (s)(i)
- * Paints and Varnishes (16) (s)(i)(o)
- Explosives, Ammunitions and Pyrotechnics (16) (s)(i)(o)
- Miscellaneous Chemical Products (16) (s)(i)(o)
- Fabricated Plastic Products (17) (s)(i)
- Professional and Scientific Equipment (17) (s)(i)(o)
- Statuary and Art Goods (17)
- Artificial Ice (17)

CONCEPTS AND SOURCES

For further detail, and for description of Methods Used, see December, 1955 report, page 74.

CONCEPTS

Shipments - represent an estimated projection, on a monthly basis, of the latest available Census of Industry values.

New Orders - This series is designed to indicate the rate at which new business is being received. It is defined as all New Orders Received during the period, at estimated selling values. Thus it covers total new orders, net of cancellations, regardless of whether the orders will be filled from stock or as a result of activity during the same month (and, therefore, will also be reported as shipments in the month received) or whether they will be added to existing backlogs.

Unfilled Orders - are defined as estimated selling value, at the end of the period stated, of orders received but not yet shipped (or treated as a sale), irrespective of work done on them or of stocks from which they can be filled.

Total Inventory Owned - represents the estimated book value of inventory owned by manufacturers in connection with manufacturing operations, whether held at plant or not, at the end of the period stated. It is made up of:

- (a) raw materials;
- (b) goods in process;
- (c) finished goods of own manufacture at plant and warehouse;
- (d) goods of own manufacture at manufacturers' sales offices, wholesale outlets and retail stores;
- less (e) value of inventory held but not owned which cannot be assigned to specific components.

Since the series relates to manufacturing inventory only, value of goods purchased for re-sale is not included.

Inventory Held but Not Owned - represents, as far as possible, the portion of manufacturers' total inventory holdings which are no longer owned by the reporting manufacturers because of payments made on long-term contracts as work on these progresses. This item is applicable only to the relatively few industries where long-term contracts are common, although because of the nature of the item, the value per industry is high.

Because of variations in accounting methods, there are a few cases where it is not possible to obtain values for this type of inventory. The estimated value shown for this item must therefore be considered, to some extent, incomplete.

Total Inventory Held - represents the estimated total value of manufacturers' inventory holdings in connection with manufacturing operations, regardless of ownership; it differs from inventory owned by the inclusion of progress payments inventory. It includes items (a) to (d) as shown above under total inventory owned.

Inventory Components - (Raw Materials, Goods in Process, and Finished Products) are reported and compiled as on the books of each manufacturer, i.e. there has been no attempt to make definitions of components appropriate for each industry as a whole.

The inventory components are always a breakdown of total inventory held, not of total inventory owned. In industries where these two items differ, due to the inclusion of inventory held but not owned (see above), it is not possible to obtain value of inventory owned by components since, where separate progress accounts are maintained, firms concerned can only state that, of total holdings, a certain amount is no longer owned by them. It is fairly obvious that the bulk of such payments apply to goods in process holdings, but due to time lags in shipments and to prepayments some of the total value of inventory held but not owned would be applicable to finished products or raw materials.

Any comparisons of shipments/inventory ratios should be made using total inventory owned, not total inventory held, since the latter includes values which have already been written off to sales. If shipments/inventory ratios are desired using inventory components, rather than total inventory, a reasonable approximation to total inventory owned by components would be obtained by assuming that all inventory held but not owned had been included with goods in process.

Industries and Groupings - All individual industries (Table 4) and the Standard Industrial Classification groupings of industries used in Table 2, are defined according to the Standard Industrial Classification Manual. A description of the Economic-Use groupings of industries (Table 3) will be found in the December 1955 report, Page 5.

SOURCES

Monthly (or, in a few cases, quarterly) reports covering value of inventories and shipments are now submitted on a voluntary basis by 2,700 plants in 118 industries; in addition, 2,400 small plants in 21 of these industries and one additional industry report monthly shipments only. Of the first group, 1,034 plants in 95 industries also report new and unfilled orders. Four industries are included in the total shipments estimates by using data available from other Bureau series, and two of these are also included in the total inventory estimates.

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