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## INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION AND CAPACITY UTILIZATION

Industrial production decreased 0.4 percent in August after increasing 0.9 percent in July. The increase in July is now estimated to be greater than originally reported last month, largely as a result of upward revisions for mining and utilities. Manufacturing output fell 0.5 percent in August primarily because of a large drop in motor

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### Industrial Production and Capacity Utilization: Summary

Seasonally adjusted

Industrial production	2012=100						Percent change						Aug. '14 to Aug. '15
	2015 Mar. <sup>r</sup>	Apr. <sup>r</sup>	May <sup>r</sup>	June <sup>r</sup>	July <sup>r</sup>	Aug. <sup>p</sup>	2015 Mar. <sup>r</sup>	Apr. <sup>r</sup>	May <sup>r</sup>	June <sup>r</sup>	July <sup>r</sup>	Aug. <sup>p</sup>	
<b>Total index</b>	107.2	107.0	106.6	106.6	107.5	107.1	-.2	-.2	-.4	.0	.9	-.4	.9
<i>Previous estimates</i>	107.4	107.1	106.8	106.9	107.5		-.1	-.3	-.3	.1	.6		
<b>Major market groups</b>													
<b>Final Products</b>	104.1	103.8	103.5	103.4	104.4	104.0	.0	-.3	-.3	.0	1.0	-.4	.9
Consumer goods	105.6	105.4	104.7	104.8	106.3	105.9	.3	-.1	-.7	.1	1.4	-.3	2.6
Business equipment	105.8	106.0	106.8	106.6	106.7	106.3	.1	.2	.7	-.1	.1	-.4	1.1
<b>Nonindustrial supplies</b>	105.0	105.4	105.0	105.2	105.2	105.4	-.7	.4	-.4	.2	.0	.2	1.0
Construction	107.5	108.4	108.8	109.1	109.4	109.5	-1.4	.8	.3	.3	.3	.1	1.5
Materials	110.7	110.3	109.7	109.7	110.9	110.2	-.1	-.3	-.5	-.1	1.1	-.6	.9
<b>Major industry groups</b>													
<b>Manufacturing (see note below)</b>	104.8	105.2	105.0	104.9	105.8	105.3	.2	.4	-.1	-.2	.9	-.5	1.4
<i>Previous estimates</i>	104.8	105.1	105.2	104.9	105.7		.2	.3	.1	-.3	.8		
Mining	119.5	117.9	115.3	115.4	117.5	116.7	-.4	-1.4	-2.2	.1	1.8	-.6	-3.2
Utilities	105.5	102.7	102.1	103.1	103.0	103.6	-2.5	-2.6	-.6	1.0	-.2	.6	3.2
<b>Capacity utilization</b>													
	Percent of capacity												Capacity growth
	Average 1972-2014	1988-89 high	1990-91 low	1994-95 high	2009 low	2014 Aug.	2015 Mar. <sup>r</sup>	Apr. <sup>r</sup>	May <sup>r</sup>	June <sup>r</sup>	July <sup>r</sup>	Aug. <sup>p</sup>	Aug. '14 to Aug. '15
<b>Total industry</b>	80.1	85.2	78.8	85.0	66.9	78.2	78.2	77.9	77.5	77.4	78.0	77.6	1.6
<i>Previous estimates</i>							78.3	78.0	77.7	77.7	78.0		
<b>Manufacturing (see note below)</b>	78.5	85.6	77.3	84.6	63.9	75.6	75.8	76.0	75.9	75.7	76.2	75.8	1.1
<i>Previous estimates</i>							75.8	76.0	76.0	75.7	76.2		
Mining	87.5	86.2	83.8	88.7	79.0	91.4	87.2	85.7	83.5	83.4	84.7	84.0	5.5
Utilities	85.9	92.9	84.3	93.3	78.5	77.4	80.9	78.7	78.2	78.9	78.7	79.2	.9
<b>Stage-of-process groups</b>													
Crude	86.3	87.6	84.3	89.8	76.9	88.6	85.5	84.6	83.0	82.6	83.7	83.0	4.2
Primary and semifinished	80.7	86.5	78.1	87.8	64.2	75.9	76.5	76.2	76.0	75.9	76.3	76.1	.9
Finished	77.0	83.4	77.4	80.7	66.7	75.4	76.1	76.1	76.0	75.9	76.5	76.1	1.4

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Note. The statistics in this release cover output, capacity, and capacity utilization in the U.S. industrial sector, which is defined by the Federal Reserve to comprise manufacturing, mining, and electric and gas utilities. Mining is defined as all industries in sector 21 of the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS); electric and gas utilities are those in NAICS sectors 2211 and 2212. Manufacturing comprises NAICS manufacturing industries (sector 31-33) plus the logging industry and the newspaper, periodical, book, and directory publishing industries. Logging and publishing are classified elsewhere in NAICS (under agriculture and information, respectively), but historically they were considered to be manufacturing and were included in the industrial sector under the Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) system. In December 2002 the Federal Reserve reclassified all its industrial output data from the SIC system to NAICS.

vehicles and parts that reversed a substantial portion of its jump in July; production elsewhere in manufacturing was unchanged. The index for mining fell 0.6 percent in August, while the index for utilities rose 0.6 percent. At 107.1 percent of its 2012 average, total industrial production in August was 0.9 percent above its year-earlier level. Capacity utilization for the industrial sector fell 0.4 percentage point in August to 77.6 percent, a rate that is 2.5 percentage points below its long-run (1972–2014) average.

### Market Groups

The drop in the output of motor vehicles and parts contributed significantly to decreases of between 0.3 and 0.6 percent in August in each of the indexes for consumer goods, business equipment, and materials. Aside from motor vehicles and parts, the output of consumer goods increased 0.4 percent, with gains in many of its components. Likewise, the output of business equipment other than motor vehicles and parts moved up 0.4 percent, as an increase of about 1 percent in the output of industrial and other equipment more than offset decreases for information processing equipment and for the portion of transit equipment not related to vehicles. The decrease in the index for materials reflected both the drop in motor vehicle parts as well as declines for most other materials, with every category except paper recording losses. Among other major market groups, the output of defense and space equipment fell 1.2 percent, the output of business supplies rose 0.3 percent, and the output of construction supplies edged up 0.1 percent.

### Industry Groups

Manufacturing output fell 0.5 percent in August, as the production of durable goods fell 0.9 percent and the production of nondurable goods was unchanged. The output of durables other than motor vehicles and parts rose 0.1 percent, with gains of more than 1 percent for nonmetallic mineral products, machinery, and miscellaneous manufacturing and with losses of more than 1 percent for fabricated metal products and for aerospace and miscellaneous transportation equipment. Among the nondurable goods industries, the indexes for petroleum and coal products and for chemicals each fell about  $\frac{1}{2}$  percent, while the indexes for food, beverage, and tobacco products and for plastics and rubber products each rose about  $\frac{1}{2}$  percent. The production of other manufacturing (publishing and logging) edged down 0.2 percent.

The capacity utilization rate for manufacturing fell 0.4 percentage point in August to 75.8 percent, a rate 2.7 percentage points below its long-run average. The operating rate for durable goods industries, at 75.8 percent, was 1.1 percentage points below its long-run average, while the rate for nondurable goods, at 77.4 percent, was 3.0 percentage points below its long-run average. The capacity utilization rate for other manufacturing (publishing and logging) was unchanged at 57.8 percent. The utilization rate for mines fell 0.7 percentage point to 84.0 percent, while the rate for utilities increased 0.5 percentage point to 79.2 percent.

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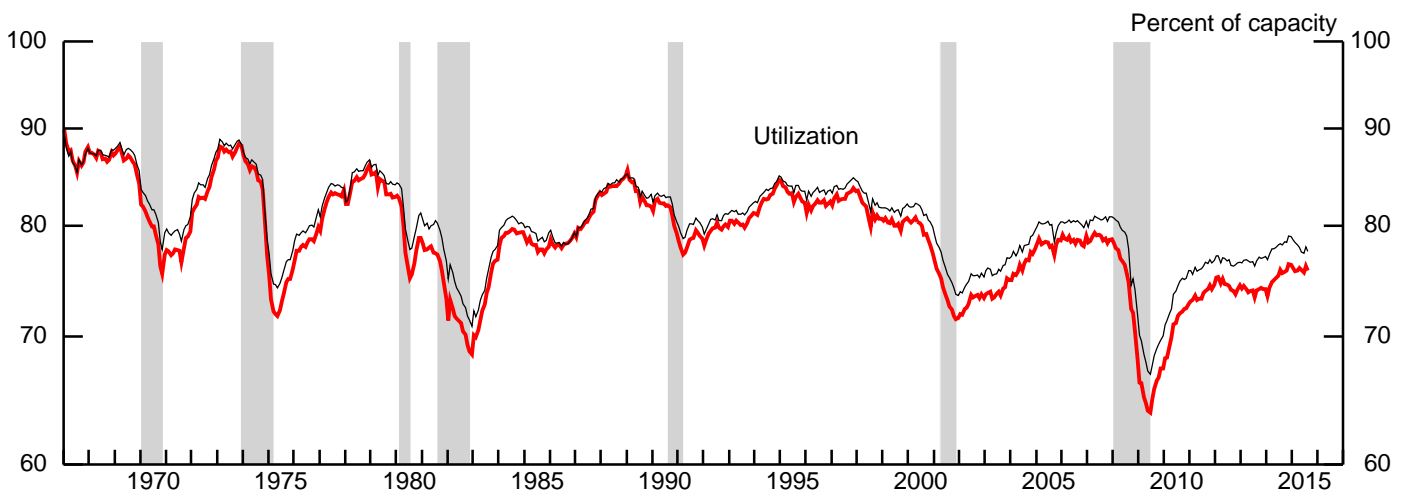
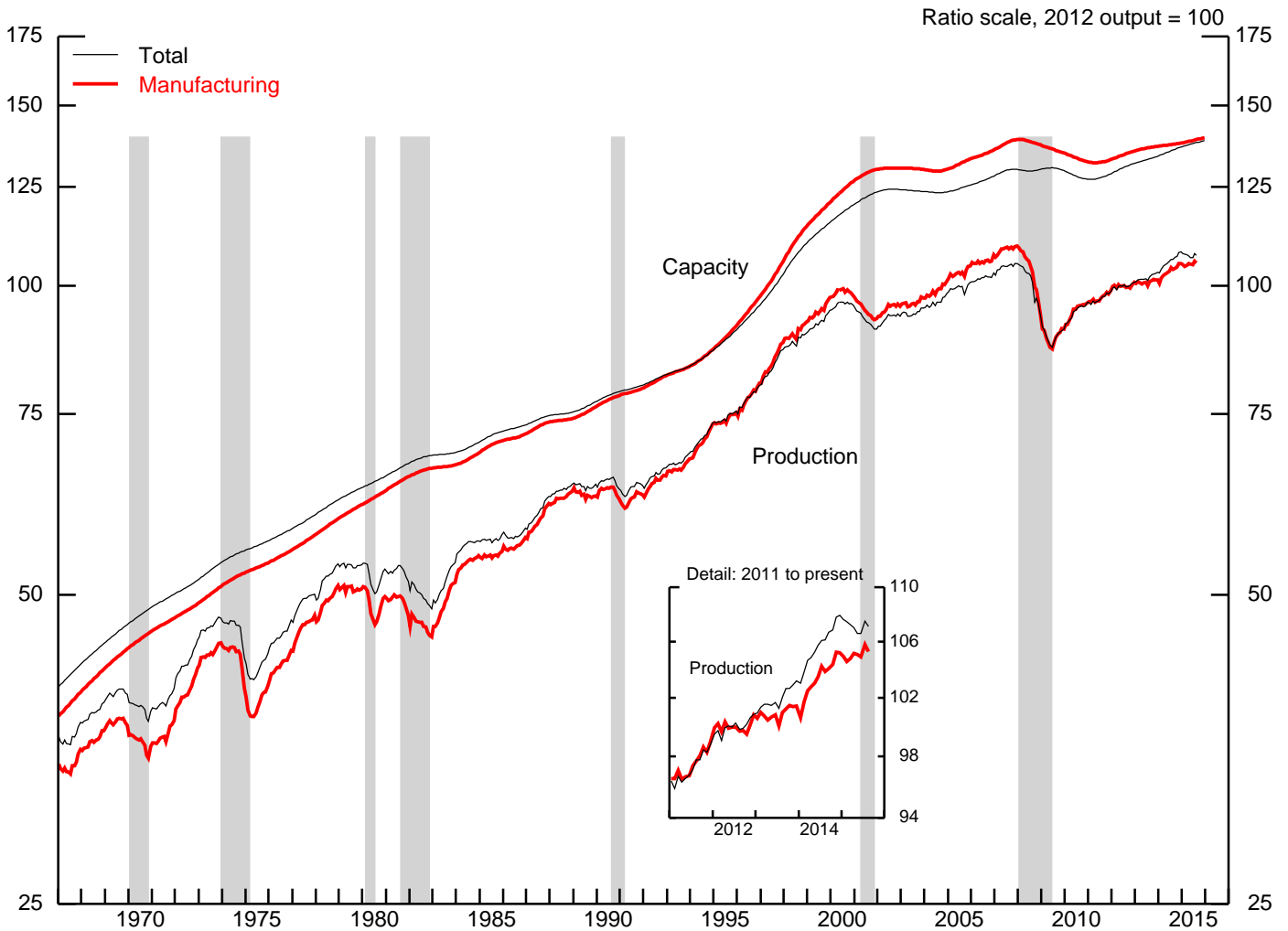
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### **Revision of Industrial Production and Capacity Utilization**

The Federal Reserve Board issued its annual revision to the index of industrial production (IP) and the related measures of capacity utilization on July 21, 2015. The classification system for the industry groups was advanced to the 2012 version of the North American Industry Classification System, and the comparison base year was advanced to 2012. The revised indexes incorporated new annual benchmark data for 2012 and 2013 for manufacturing, as well as other annual data, including information on the mining of metallic and nonmetallic minerals (except fuels). The weights for market-group allocations of the indexes were updated with information from the 2007 benchmark input-output accounts from the Bureau of Economic Analysis. The updated IP indexes included revisions to the monthly indicator (either product data or input data) and to seasonal factors for each industry. In addition, the estimation methods for some series were changed. Modifications to the methods for estimating the output of an industry affected the index from 1972 to the present.

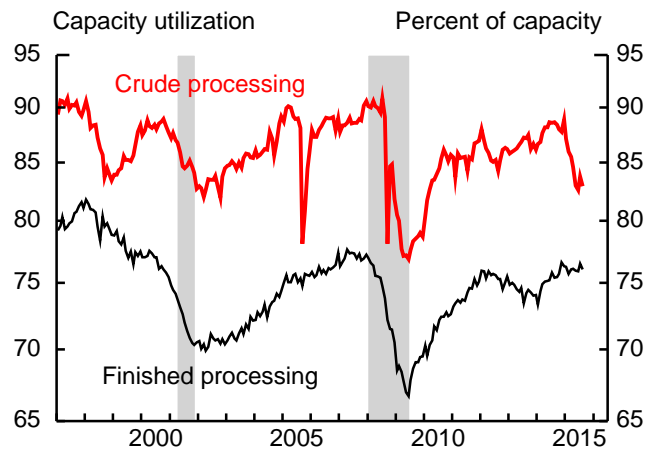
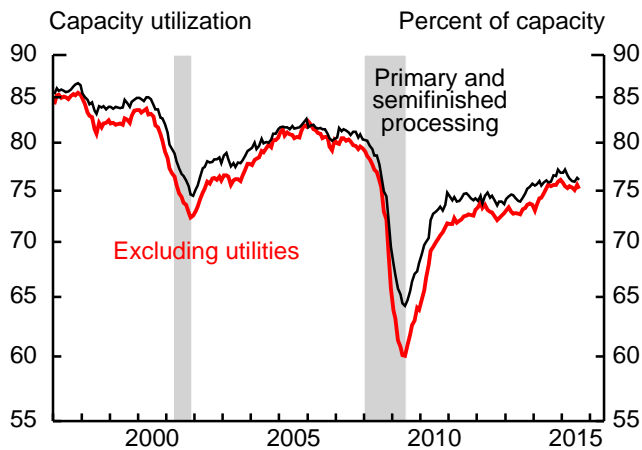
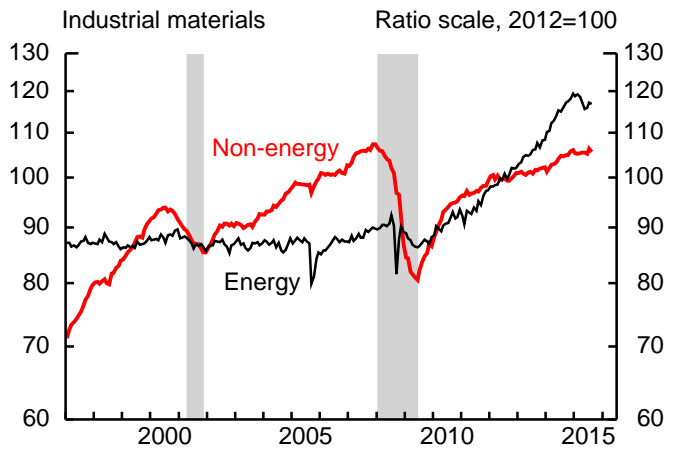
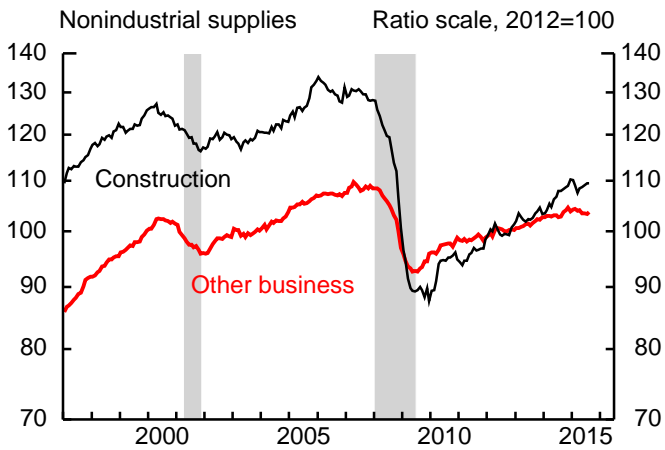
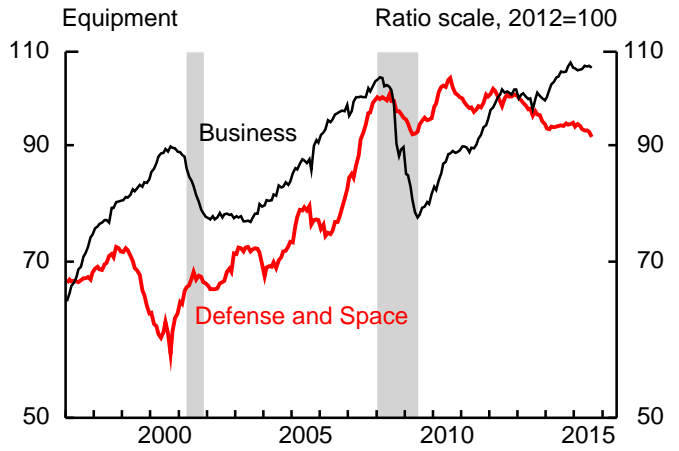
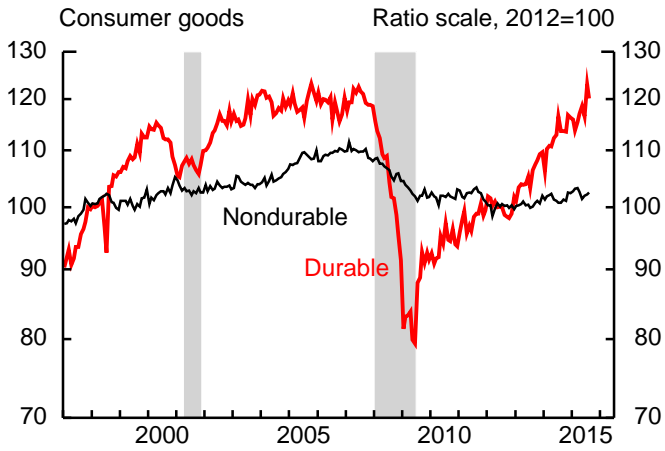
Capacity and capacity utilization were revised to incorporate data through the fourth quarter of 2014 from the Census Bureau's Quarterly Survey of Plant Capacity, which covers manufacturing, along with new data on capacity from the U.S. Geological Survey, the U.S. Department of Energy, and other organizations.

# 1. Industrial production, capacity, and utilization



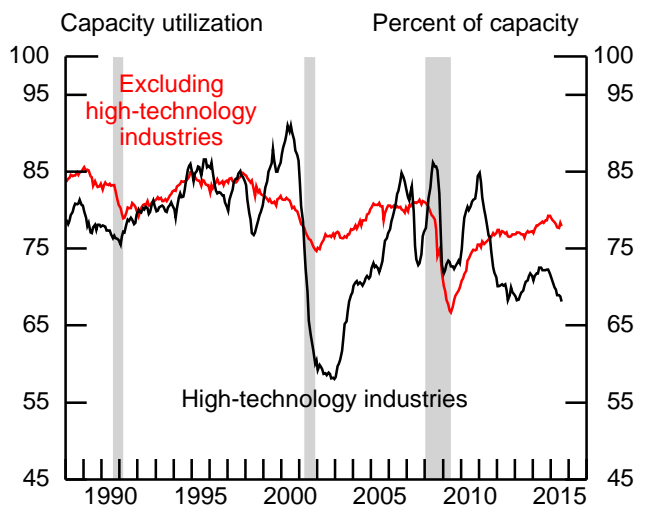
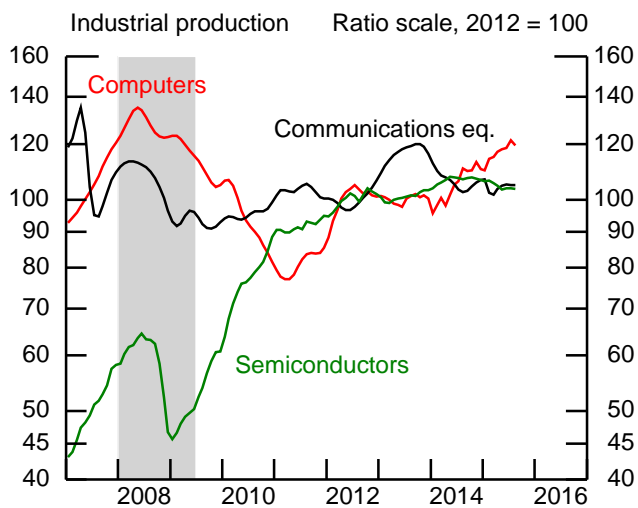
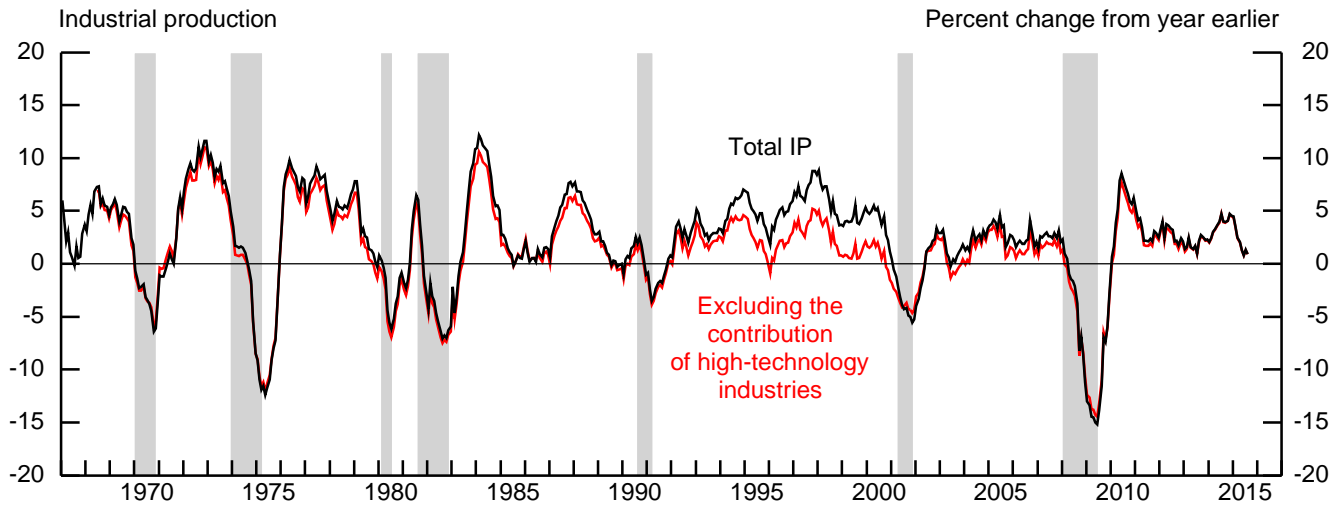
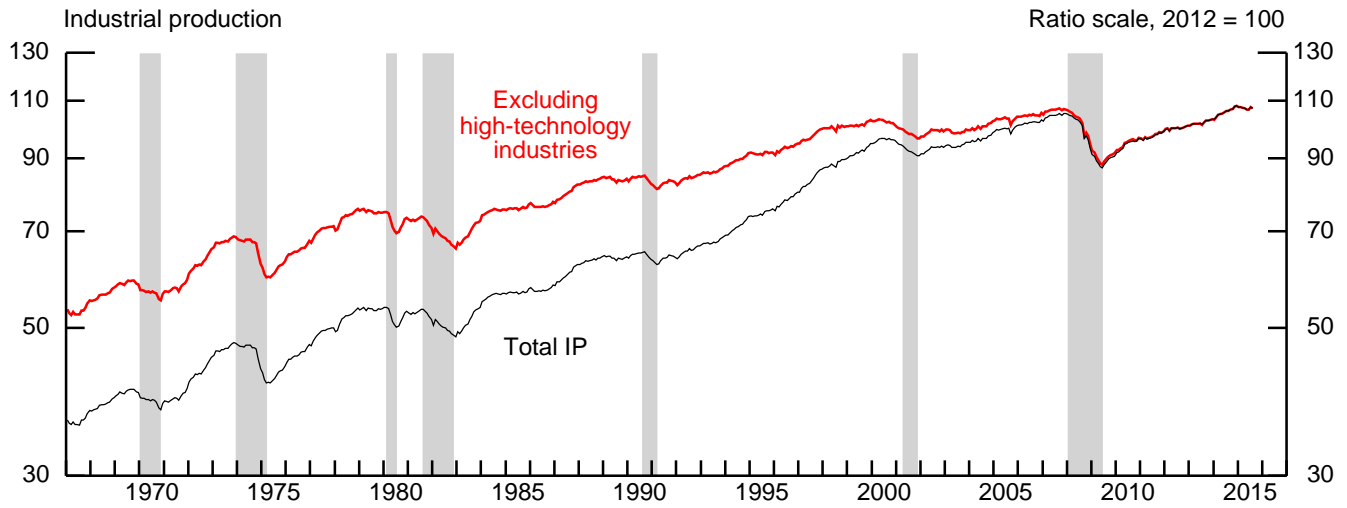
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## 2. Industrial production and capacity utilization



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### 3. Industrial production and capacity utilization, high-technology industries



Notes: High-technology industries are defined as semiconductors and related electronic components (NAICS 3344), computers (NAICS 3341), and communications equipment (NAICS 3342). The shaded areas are periods of business recession as defined by the NBER.

**Table 1**  
**INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION: MARKET AND INDUSTRY GROUP SUMMARY**

Percent change, seasonally adjusted

Item	2014 proportion <sup>1</sup>	Fourth quarter to fourth quarter			Annual rate			Monthly rate						Aug. '14 to Aug. '15
		2012	2013	2014	2014 Q4	2015 Q1 <sup>r</sup>	Q2 <sup>r</sup>	2015 Mar. <sup>r</sup>	Apr. <sup>r</sup>	May <sup>r</sup>	June <sup>r</sup>	July <sup>r</sup>	Aug. <sup>p</sup>	
<b>Total IP</b>	100.00	2.1	2.3	4.5	4.7	-3	-2.6	-2	-2	-4	.0	.9	-4	.9
<b>MARKET GROUPS</b>														
<b>Final products and nonindustrial supplies</b>	54.46	1.2	1.6	3.0	4.2	-7	-2.3	-2	-1	-4	.0	.7	-2	.9
<b>Consumer goods</b>	26.69	-1.2	2.9	1.8	4.0	3.0	-1.4	.3	-1	-7	.1	1.4	-3	2.6
<b>Durable</b>	5.68	.1	9.5	5.9	3.1	-1.6	8.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	-1.7	5.6	-2.4	5.6
Automotive products	2.79	-1.9	15.5	6.8	.3	-6	15.5	3.0	2.5	2.6	-4.3	10.8	-5.4	7.4
Home electronics	.16	7.0	2.4	3.4	9.8	2.0	9.9	.7	.9	.9	1.6	.9	-8	5.3
Appliances, furniture, carpeting	.82	2.0	5.6	7.6	6.0	-4.0	1.6	-1.2	1.1	.0	.9	1.8	.3	4.8
Miscellaneous goods	1.90	1.4	3.8	4.2	5.7	-2.4	1.3	.2	-1	.3	.9	-2	1.1	3.3
<b>Nondurable</b>	21.01	-1.6	1.3	.8	4.2	4.3	-4.0	.0	-6	-1.2	.6	.2	.3	1.7
Non-energy	15.69	-2.5	-9	1.8	2.2	1.5	-6	.5	.3	-1.2	.6	.3	.2	1.3
Foods and tobacco	8.70	1.0	1.1	.4	4.0	.0	2.0	1.2	.9	-1.1	-5	.5	.5	1.9
Clothing	.24	-6.7	-1.5	.1	6.4	1.0	-9.5	-3	-4	-6	-4	1.7	.2	2.8
Chemical products	4.96	-8.1	-4.9	6.3	1.9	7.9	-3.6	-3	-4	-1.6	2.4	.1	-2	2.1
Paper products	1.29	-4.8	-5	-5.6	-10.2	-9.2	-4.5	-4	-3	-1	-4	.2	-2	-6.5
Energy	5.32	1.1	7.3	-1.8	10.1	12.9	-14.3	-1.5	-3.3	-1.4	.8	-1	.5	2.9
<b>Business equipment</b>	10.18	7.4	-1.5	7.3	5.5	-3.2	2.2	.1	.2	.7	-1	.1	-4	1.1
Transit	2.51	19.5	1.4	11.8	2.1	-1	6.3	1.6	.4	1.4	-2.8	3.6	-3.3	1.6
Information processing	2.20	5.8	-2	3.4	6.1	2.5	.3	-4	-1	.1	1.5	-6	-4	2.1
Industrial and other	5.46	3.6	-3.3	6.9	6.9	-6.8	1.0	-4	.1	.6	.6	-1.4	1.1	.4
<b>Defense and space equipment</b>	2.15	.6	-5.2	-8	.8	-1.5	-3.7	-4	-7	-2	.0	-3	-1.2	-2.4
<b>Construction supplies</b>	4.52	3.2	3.4	5.2	4.6	-1.3	-6	-1.4	.8	.3	.3	.3	.1	1.5
<b>Business supplies</b>	10.12	1.7	2.2	1.7	4.2	.1	-1.9	-4	.2	-7	.1	-2	.3	.8
<b>Materials</b>	45.54	3.2	3.2	6.1	5.3	.0	-3.0	-1	-3	-5	-1	1.1	-6	.9
<b>Non-energy</b>	27.14	1.9	1.6	3.4	3.2	-1.2	.5	.1	.1	.0	-2	1.1	-7	1.0
<b>Durable</b>	16.61	3.0	2.4	4.8	2.6	-2.0	-8	-1	.0	.0	-2	1.5	-1.0	.5
Consumer parts	2.92	8.7	4.0	9.0	6.9	1.0	9.9	.7	1.7	1.9	-2.6	6.1	-4.1	5.8
Equipment parts	5.51	2.4	.8	4.0	4.9	-2.5	-2.5	.2	-7	-3	.0	-3	-1	-4
Other	8.19	1.7	3.0	3.8	-5	-2.9	-3.5	-7	-2	-5	.6	1.0	-4	-7
<b>Nondurable</b>	10.52	.2	.4	1.1	4.1	.1	2.7	.5	.4	.1	-2	.4	-3	1.7
Textile	.40	-1.4	6.7	1.5	10.7	6.9	2.4	1.4	-3	-2	-2	-1.6	-2	3.6
Paper	1.91	1.1	-1.4	-1.8	.5	-2.2	.0	1.1	.4	-4	-1.4	-2	.3	-1.5
Chemical	5.10	-2	.0	2.4	3.3	.2	4.7	-1	.5	.7	.2	.6	-9	2.1
<b>Energy</b>	18.40	5.2	5.6	9.9	8.0	1.8	-8.5	-6	-1.1	-1.4	.2	1.1	-3	.6
<b>INDUSTRY GROUPS</b>														
<b>Manufacturing</b>	73.91	1.5	1.3	3.4	3.4	-7	1.1	.2	.4	-1	-2	.9	-5	1.4
<b>Manufacturing (NAICS) 31-33</b>	71.35	1.9	1.4	3.9	4.0	-5	1.2	.2	.4	-1	-1	.9	-5	1.7
<b>Durable manufacturing</b>	38.10	3.6	2.0	5.1	3.9	-2.4	1.2	.0	.3	.4	-2	1.2	-9	1.3
Wood products	321	1.14	7.8	5.3	4.2	3.8	-7.7	-6.9	-5	-1	-1.0	-1.1	2.9	-1
Nonmetallic mineral products	327	1.83	3.9	3.6	5.2	.1	2.5	-7	-1.2	.9	-3	.4	1.8	3.0
Primary metals	331	2.55	-4.5	5.5	1.2	-5.4	-17.5	-7	-2.0	-1	.8	3.0	-1	-3.9
Fabricated metal products	332	5.48	1.4	2.9	2.4	2.1	.3	-6	.0	.1	.0	-1	-1.2	.2
Machinery	333	5.91	2.3	-3.6	8.2	10.0	-9.8	-8	-1.5	.7	.7	-9	-1.0	1.6
Computer and electronic products	334	5.70	6.3	-5	3.6	4.3	.1	-2.4	-5	-3	-4	1.2	-2	.4
Electrical equip., appliances, and components	335	1.78	2.2	-7	2.6	-2	4.0	6.5	1.2	.7	-3	.8	.5	.6
Motor vehicles and parts	3361-3	5.12	6.3	10.2	9.8	2.3	1.5	14.0	3.3	1.7	2.4	-4.5	10.6	-6.4
Aerospace and miscellaneous transportation equipment	3364-9	4.42	8.2	-1.1	3.0	2.3	2.1	1.3	.3	-3	.5	-8	-1	-1.2
Furniture and related products	337	1.15	6.3	3.2	9.3	11.9	.5	-5.3	-5	-1.4	.3	.6	.1	-2
Miscellaneous	339	3.02	.0	5.6	5.8	9.1	-3.0	-2	.5	-6	-2	3.3	-3.0	1.6
<b>Nondurable manufacturing</b>	33.25	.0	.7	2.6	4.1	1.7	1.1	.4	.5	-7	.0	.6	.0	2.1
Food, beverage, and tobacco products	311,2	10.45	1.0	1.4	.7	5.5	.6	2.1	1.2	.8	-1.0	-6	.7	.5
Textile and product mills	313,4	.67	-2.1	5.5	1.7	6.1	-3	4.9	.8	.3	.6	-6	-1.0	-1
Apparel and leather	315,6	.26	-7.2	-7	.4	6.1	1.0	-8.7	-3	-3	-4	-5	1.7	.1
Paper	322	2.59	2.6	-2.0	-9	2.0	-3.0	-4	1.0	.0	.0	-1.3	-2	.1
Printing and support	323	1.43	-5	3.0	.2	3.3	1.2	.5	.9	.0	-8	.4	.7	.3
Petroleum and coal products	324	3.25	-5	5.6	.1	-1.6	4.6	3.6	-4	1.8	-1.0	-1.2	.7	-5
Chemicals	325	11.33	-2.2	-1.9	4.5	4.1	3.1	.2	-1	.2	-8	1.3	.6	-6
Plastics and rubber products	326	3.27	4.8	2.1	9.7	8.0	2.0	.2	-4	.4	.3	-5	1.0	.6
<b>Other manufacturing (non-NAICS) 1133,5111</b>	2.56	-6.5	-1.6	-8.6	-12.8	-5.9	-1.6	.4	.0	-5	-1.1	.1	-2	-6.2
<b>Mining 21</b>	15.46	6.2	5.8	12.3	5.6	-4.7	-13.8	-4	-1.4	-2.2	.1	1.8	-6	-3.2
<b>Utilities 2211,2</b>	10.63	.1	4.6	-1.0	13.2	8.2	-12.4	-2.5	-2.6	-6	1.0	-2	.6	3.2
Electric	2211	9.29	-4	3.7	-6	13.6	6.7	-9.8	-1.4	-2.4	-4	.6	-2	.5
Natural gas	2212	1.34	4.0	11.0	-3.2	10.7	19.3	-29.4	-10.3	-4.6	-2.3	4.3	-2	1.2

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NOTE. Under the industry groups, the figures to the right of the series descriptions are 2012 North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) codes. The abbreviation pt denotes part of a NAICS code. Additional industry detail is available on the Board's website ([www.federalreserve.gov/releases/G17](http://www.federalreserve.gov/releases/G17)). Under market groups, in the products category, miscellaneous consumer nondurables, oil and gas drilling, and manufactured homes are not shown separately; in the nondurable materials category, containers and miscellaneous nondurable materials are not shown separately.

1. The proportion data are the relative weights for the rates of change for each series in the computation of the change in total industrial production in the following year.

**Table 2**  
**INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION: SPECIAL AGGREGATES AND SELECTED DETAIL**

Percent change, seasonally adjusted

Item	2014 proportion	Fourth quarter to fourth quarter			Annual rate			Monthly rate						Aug. '14 to Aug. '15	
		2012	2013	2014	2014 Q4	2015 Q1 <sup>r</sup>	Q2 <sup>r</sup>	2015 Mar. <sup>r</sup>	Apr. <sup>r</sup>	May <sup>r</sup>	June <sup>r</sup>	July <sup>r</sup>	Aug. <sup>p</sup>		
<b>Total industry</b>	100.00	2.1	2.3	4.5	4.7	-3	-2.6	-2	-2	-4	.0	.9	-4	.9	
<b>Energy</b>	27.52	3.6	5.6	6.6	8.3	1.3	-12.0	-1.2	-1.7	-1.5	.3	.7	.0	-3	
Consumer products	5.32	1.1	7.3	-1.8	10.1	12.9	-14.3	-1.5	-3.3	-1.4	.8	-1	.5	2.9	
Commercial products	3.04	1.4	4.7	1.3	9.4	3.7	-5.7	-1.5	-1	-1.5	.4	.1	.2	2.6	
Oil and gas well drilling	213111	.76	-7.6	-1.3	7.3	.8	-67.5	-83.3	-17.8	-15.7	-8.8	-4.0	1.3	1.7	-53.1
Converted fuel	3.90	4.6	.9	.8	7.1	7.8	-4.3	-3.5	-1.2	.9	2.3	-8	.2	3.2	
Primary energy	14.51	5.4	6.8	12.2	8.3	.2	-9.8	.3	-1.0	-2.1	-5	1.8	-5	-2	
<b>Non-energy</b>	72.48	1.5	1.1	3.6	3.2	-1.0	.8	.2	.3	-1	-1	.9	-5	1.3	
<b>Selected high-technology industries</b>	2.87	9.8	2.6	1.6	3.1	-3.3	-2.3	-5	.1	-6	.5	.3	-4	-6	
Computers and peripheral equipment	3341	.39	20.6	-9	10.3	8.6	7.0	17.5	.8	1.7	.7	.5	2.5	-1.7	7.7
Communications equipment	3342	.56	3.0	13.6	-10.7	10.7	-7.6	3.5	-6	1.9	1.2	.4	-2	.0	2.3
Semiconductors and related electronic components	3344	1.92	9.7	.2	4.1	-1	-4.1	-7.6	-8	-7	-1.4	.5	-1	-2	-3.2
<b>Excluding selected high-technology industries</b>	69.61	1.1	1.0	3.6	3.2	-9	1.0	.2	.3	.0	-1	.9	-5	1.3	
<b>Motor vehicles and parts</b>	3361-3	5.12	6.3	10.2	9.8	2.3	1.5	14.0	3.3	1.7	2.4	-4.5	10.6	-6.4	6.9
Motor vehicles	3361	2.41	1.1	14.6	8.1	-6.5	-3.8	20.6	4.7	2.9	3.5	-6.0	16.0	-9.1	6.7
Motor vehicle parts	3363	2.32	10.5	5.4	11.6	7.0	6.0	11.3	2.6	.6	1.8	-2.7	6.6	-4.9	6.9
<b>Excluding motor vehicles and parts</b>	64.49	.8	.4	3.2	3.3	-1.1	.0	.0	.2	-2	.3	.1	.1	.9	
Consumer goods	18.86	-2.1	-1	2.4	2.9	1.0	-1	.5	.3	-9	.5	.3	.3	1.7	
Business equipment	8.69	6.8	-2.4	7.3	5.6	-3.8	.9	-3	.0	.5	.6	-1.0	.4	.6	
Construction supplies	4.50	3.2	3.4	5.3	4.6	-1.3	-6	-1.4	.8	.3	.3	.3	.1	1.5	
Business supplies	6.54	.9	1.1	1.5	2.1	-1.1	.4	.1	.4	-3	.0	-3	.4	.3	
Materials	23.76	.6	1.5	2.7	2.9	-1.7	.0	-1	.1	-1	.1	.5	-3	.7	
<b>Measures excluding selected high-technology industries</b>															
Total industry	97.13	1.8	2.3	4.5	4.7	-3	-2.6	-2	-2	-4	.0	.9	-4	.9	
Manufacturing <sup>1</sup>	71.04	1.2	1.2	3.5	3.4	-6	1.2	.2	.4	-1	-2	.9	-5	1.4	
Durable	35.38	3.0	2.0	5.3	3.9	-2.4	1.5	.1	.3	.5	-3	1.3	-9	1.4	
<b>Measures excluding motor vehicles and parts</b>															
Total industry	94.88	1.9	2.0	4.2	4.8	-4	-3.5	-4	-3	-6	.3	.3	.0	.6	
Manufacturing <sup>1</sup>	68.78	1.2	.7	3.0	3.5	-8	.1	.0	.3	-3	.2	.1	.0	1.0	
Durable	33.13	3.2	.9	4.3	4.2	-3.0	-7	-5	.0	.1	.5	-3	.1	.5	
<b>Measures excluding selected high-technology industries and motor vehicles and parts</b>															
Total industry	92.01	1.6	2.0	4.3	4.8	-4	-3.5	-4	-3	-6	.3	.3	.0	.6	
Manufacturing <sup>1</sup>	65.91	.8	.6	3.0	3.4	-8	.2	.0	.3	-3	.2	.1	.1	1.0	
<b>Stage-of-process components of non-energy materials, measures of the input to</b>															
Finished processors	10.74	3.5	1.4	4.2	4.9	-1.1	1.4	.5	.2	.3	-1.0	1.5	-1.2	1.3	
Primary and semifinished processors	16.40	.8	1.8	2.8	2.1	-1.4	-1	-1	.1	-2	.3	.8	-4	.8	

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**Table 3**  
**MOTOR VEHICLE ASSEMBLIES**

Millions of units, seasonally adjusted annual rate

Item	2014 average	2014 Q3	2014 Q4	2015 Q1	2015 Q2	2015 Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.
<b>Total</b>	11.66	12.00	11.76	11.56	12.16	11.81	12.11	12.57	11.81	13.38	11.78
Autos	4.25	4.39	4.28	4.09	4.34	4.26	4.37	4.59	4.05	4.64	3.54
Trucks	7.41	7.61	7.48	7.47	7.83	7.54	7.75	7.98	7.76	8.74	8.23
Light	7.12	7.31	7.18	7.15	7.50	7.21	7.42	7.65	7.44	8.43	7.92
Medium and heavy	.29	.30	.30	.32	.32	.33	.32	.33	.31	.32	.31
<b>Memo</b>											
Autos and light trucks	11.37	11.70	11.47	11.24	11.84	11.47	11.79	12.24	11.49	13.06	11.47

NOTE. Seasonal factors and underlying data for auto, light truck, and medium and heavy truck production are available on the Board's website, [www.federalreserve.gov/releases/G17/mvsv.htm](http://www.federalreserve.gov/releases/G17/mvsv.htm)



**Table 4**  
**INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION INDEXES: MARKET AND INDUSTRY GROUP SUMMARY**

2012 = 100, seasonally adjusted

Item		2014 proportion	2014 Dec.	2015 Jan.	Feb.	Mar. <sup>r</sup>	Apr. <sup>r</sup>	May <sup>r</sup>	June <sup>r</sup>	July <sup>r</sup>	Aug. <sup>p</sup>
<b>Total IP</b>		100.00	107.9	107.6	107.4	107.2	107.0	106.6	106.6	107.5	107.1
<b>MARKET GROUPS</b>											
<b>Final products and nonindustrial supplies</b>		54.46	104.9	104.9	104.6	104.3	104.2	103.9	103.9	104.6	104.4
<b>Consumer goods</b>		26.69	105.1	105.3	105.3	105.6	105.4	104.7	104.8	106.3	105.9
<b>Durable</b>		5.68	116.2	115.9	113.8	115.4	117.0	118.6	116.6	123.1	120.1
Automotive products		2.79	123.3	123.2	119.5	123.0	126.1	129.3	123.8	137.1	129.7
Home electronics		.16	109.4	108.6	108.0	108.8	109.8	110.8	112.6	113.6	112.7
Appliances, furniture, carpeting		.82	114.2	112.8	112.2	110.9	112.1	112.1	113.0	115.1	115.4
Miscellaneous goods		1.90	108.2	108.1	107.4	107.6	107.5	107.8	108.8	108.6	109.8
<b>Nondurable</b>		21.01	102.3	102.7	103.2	103.2	102.6	101.3	102.0	102.1	102.4
Non-energy		15.69	100.4	100.6	100.0	100.5	100.8	99.6	100.2	100.5	100.7
Foods and tobacco		8.70	102.2	101.8	101.1	102.3	103.2	102.1	101.5	102.1	102.6
Clothing		.24	96.3	97.3	93.6	93.3	92.9	92.3	92.0	93.5	93.7
Chemical products		4.96	98.8	99.9	99.9	99.6	99.2	97.6	99.9	100.0	99.8
Paper products		1.29	92.1	91.5	90.4	90.1	89.8	89.7	89.4	89.6	89.4
Energy		5.32	107.8	108.9	112.8	111.2	107.5	106.0	106.8	106.7	107.3
<b>Business equipment</b>		10.18	106.3	106.2	105.7	105.8	106.0	106.8	106.6	106.7	106.3
Transit		2.51	119.1	117.8	118.0	119.9	120.5	122.1	118.7	123.0	118.9
Information processing		2.20	104.1	104.9	104.3	103.9	103.8	103.9	105.5	104.9	104.5
Industrial and other		5.46	102.0	102.0	101.4	101.0	101.1	101.7	102.3	100.9	102.1
<b>Defense and space equipment</b>		2.15	94.4	93.6	94.1	93.8	93.1	92.9	92.9	92.6	91.6
<b>Construction supplies</b>		4.52	110.3	110.1	109.1	107.5	108.4	108.8	109.1	109.4	109.5
<b>Business supplies</b>		10.12	103.8	104.2	104.4	103.9	104.1	103.4	103.5	103.3	103.6
<b>Materials</b>		45.54	111.4	110.7	110.8	110.7	110.3	109.7	109.7	110.9	110.2
<b>Non-energy</b>		27.14	106.0	105.3	105.1	105.2	105.4	105.4	105.2	106.3	105.6
<b>Durable</b>		16.61	108.3	107.5	107.2	107.1	107.1	107.1	106.9	108.5	107.4
Consumer parts		2.92	115.3	115.5	114.7	115.6	117.5	119.8	116.7	123.8	118.8
Equipment parts		5.51	104.0	103.4	103.7	103.8	103.1	102.9	102.9	102.6	102.4
Other		8.19	108.8	107.5	107.1	106.4	106.2	105.6	106.3	107.3	106.9
<b>Nondurable</b>		10.52	102.5	102.0	101.9	102.5	102.9	102.9	102.7	103.1	102.8
Textile		.40	107.5	107.6	108.1	109.6	109.3	109.1	108.9	107.1	106.9
Paper		1.91	97.6	97.0	95.8	96.9	97.3	96.9	95.5	95.3	95.6
Chemical		5.10	103.8	103.0	103.7	103.6	104.1	104.8	105.0	105.7	104.8
<b>Energy</b>		18.40	119.4	118.7	119.2	118.6	117.3	115.6	115.8	117.1	116.8
<b>INDUSTRY GROUPS</b>											
<b>Manufacturing</b>		73.91	105.2	104.9	104.5	104.8	105.2	105.0	104.9	105.8	105.3
<b>Manufacturing (NAICS)</b>	<b>31-33</b>	71.35	105.9	105.7	105.3	105.5	105.9	105.8	105.7	106.6	106.1
<b>Durable manufacturing</b>		38.10	107.7	107.4	106.8	106.8	107.1	107.5	107.3	108.5	107.6
Wood products	321	1.14	113.4	111.2	110.3	109.7	109.6	108.5	107.3	110.4	110.3
Nonmetallic mineral products	327	1.83	111.4	112.1	111.5	110.2	111.2	110.9	111.3	111.7	113.7
Primary metals	331	2.55	106.1	101.9	101.2	99.1	99.0	99.8	102.8	102.6	102.6
Fabricated metal products	332	5.48	105.1	105.5	104.8	104.8	104.9	104.9	104.8	104.9	103.7
Machinery	333	5.91	100.8	100.7	100.5	99.0	99.7	100.4	99.5	98.4	100.0
Computer and electronic products	334	5.70	104.4	104.7	104.2	103.7	103.4	103.0	104.2	104.0	103.6
Electrical equip., appliances, and components	335	1.78	102.3	103.0	103.2	104.4	105.1	104.8	105.6	106.1	106.7
Motor vehicles and parts	3361-3	5.12	123.1	122.5	120.2	124.1	126.2	129.3	123.5	136.6	127.8
Aerospace and miscellaneous transportation equipment	3364-9	4.42	104.8	104.2	105.5	105.8	105.4	105.9	105.1	105.1	103.8
Furniture and related products	337	1.15	114.6	113.8	113.8	113.3	111.6	112.0	112.6	112.7	112.5
Miscellaneous	339	3.02	111.7	112.4	109.9	110.4	109.7	109.6	113.2	109.8	111.6
<b>Nondurable manufacturing</b>		33.25	104.0	103.8	103.7	104.1	104.6	103.9	103.9	104.5	104.5
Food, beverage, and tobacco products	311,2	10.45	102.9	102.6	102.0	103.3	104.1	103.0	102.4	103.1	103.6
Textile and product mills	313,4	.67	106.4	105.5	106.0	106.9	107.2	107.8	107.2	106.2	106.1
Apparel and leather	315,6	.26	97.6	98.4	94.7	94.5	94.2	93.8	93.3	94.8	94.9
Paper	322	2.59	98.5	97.5	96.5	97.5	97.5	97.5	96.3	96.0	96.1
Printing and support	323	1.43	102.9	102.3	102.2	103.1	103.1	102.2	102.6	103.3	103.7
Petroleum and coal products	324	3.25	108.0	107.1	108.6	108.1	110.1	109.0	107.6	108.3	107.8
Chemicals	325	11.33	102.7	102.7	102.9	102.8	103.0	102.1	103.4	104.0	103.3
Plastics and rubber products	326	3.27	113.3	114.0	113.7	113.2	113.6	114.0	113.4	114.6	115.3
<b>Other manufacturing (non-NAICS)</b>	<b>1133,5111</b>	2.56	86.5	86.0	86.1	86.5	86.5	86.0	85.1	85.2	85.0
<b>Mining</b>	<b>21</b>	15.46	124.1	122.1	120.1	119.5	117.9	115.3	115.4	117.5	116.7
<b>Utilities</b>	<b>2211,2</b>	10.63	103.0	104.6	108.2	105.5	102.7	102.1	103.1	103.0	103.6
Electric	2211	9.29	102.1	103.2	105.7	104.2	101.7	101.3	102.0	101.8	102.3
Natural gas	2212	1.34	110.1	115.7	128.3	115.2	109.9	107.4	112.0	111.8	113.1

<sup>r</sup> Revised, <sup>p</sup> Preliminary.

NOTE. Refer to notes on table 1.

**Table 5**  
**INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION INDEXES: SPECIAL AGGREGATES**

2012 = 100, seasonally adjusted

Item	2014 proportion	2014 Dec.	2015 Jan.	Feb.	Mar. <sup>r</sup>	Apr. <sup>r</sup>	May <sup>r</sup>	June <sup>r</sup>	July <sup>r</sup>	Aug. <sup>p</sup>
<b>Total industry</b>	100.00	107.9	107.6	107.4	107.2	107.0	106.6	106.6	107.5	107.1
<b>Energy</b>	27.52	115.1	114.8	115.6	114.2	112.3	110.5	110.8	111.7	111.6
Consumer products	5.32	107.8	108.9	112.8	111.2	107.5	106.0	106.8	106.7	107.3
Commercial products	3.04	106.1	107.1	108.7	107.1	107.0	105.4	105.8	105.9	106.1
Oil and gas well drilling	213111	.76	99.6	90.3	75.1	61.8	52.1	47.5	46.2	46.9
Converted fuel	3.90	100.9	102.9	106.7	102.9	101.6	102.5	104.9	104.0	104.3
Primary energy	14.51	124.5	123.1	122.5	122.9	121.6	119.0	118.4	120.6	120.0
<b>Non-energy</b>	72.48	105.1	104.8	104.3	104.5	104.9	104.8	104.7	105.7	105.2
<b>Selected high-technology industries</b>	2.87	107.0	106.7	106.4	105.8	106.0	105.3	105.8	106.1	105.7
Computers and peripheral equipment	3341	.39	110.6	110.1	114.2	115.1	117.1	117.9	118.5	121.5
Communications equipment	3342	.56	106.6	106.9	102.2	101.6	103.5	104.7	105.2	104.9
Semiconductors and related electronic components	3344	1.92	106.7	106.3	106.4	105.5	104.8	103.3	103.8	103.7
<b>Excluding selected high-technology industries</b>	69.61	105.0	104.7	104.2	104.4	104.8	104.7	104.6	105.6	105.1
<b>Motor vehicles and parts</b>	3361-3	5.12	123.1	122.5	120.2	124.1	126.2	129.3	123.5	136.6
Motor vehicles	3361	2.41	125.0	123.9	118.7	124.3	127.9	132.3	124.3	144.2
Motor vehicle parts	3363	2.32	120.9	120.4	120.5	123.6	124.4	126.7	123.2	131.4
<b>Excluding motor vehicles and parts</b>	64.49	103.8	103.5	103.1	103.1	103.3	103.0	103.3	103.5	103.5
Consumer goods	18.86	101.9	102.0	101.4	101.8	102.1	101.2	101.7	102.0	102.4
Business equipment	8.69	105.0	105.0	104.7	104.4	104.4	104.9	105.5	104.4	104.9
Construction supplies	4.50	110.4	110.2	109.2	107.6	108.4	108.8	109.2	109.5	109.6
Business supplies	6.54	102.3	102.4	102.0	102.1	102.5	102.2	102.2	101.9	102.3
Materials	23.76	104.8	104.1	103.9	103.9	104.0	103.9	104.0	104.5	104.3
<b>Measures excluding selected high-technology industries</b>										
Total industry	97.13	107.9	107.6	107.4	107.3	107.0	106.6	106.6	107.5	107.1
Manufacturing <sup>1</sup>	71.04	105.1	104.8	104.4	104.7	105.1	105.0	104.8	105.7	105.2
Durable	35.38	107.7	107.3	106.7	106.8	107.1	107.6	107.3	108.7	107.7
<b>Measures excluding motor vehicles and parts</b>										
Total industry	94.88	107.2	106.9	106.8	106.4	106.1	105.5	105.8	106.1	106.1
Manufacturing <sup>1</sup>	68.78	104.0	103.8	103.5	103.5	103.8	103.5	103.7	103.8	103.8
Durable	33.13	105.6	105.3	104.9	104.4	104.4	104.5	105.0	104.7	104.8
<b>Measures excluding selected high-technology industries and motor vehicles and parts</b>										
Total industry	92.01	107.2	106.9	106.8	106.4	106.1	105.5	105.7	106.0	106.1
Manufacturing <sup>1</sup>	65.91	103.9	103.6	103.4	103.4	103.6	103.4	103.5	103.6	103.7
<b>Stage-of-process components of non-energy materials, measures of the input to</b>										
Finished processors	10.74	105.8	105.4	105.2	105.8	106.0	106.3	105.3	106.8	105.5
Primary and semifinished processors	16.40	106.1	105.1	105.0	104.9	105.0	104.8	105.2	106.0	105.6

<sup>r</sup> Revised. <sup>p</sup> Preliminary.

1. Refer to note on cover page.

**Table 6**  
**DIFUSION INDEXES OF INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION**

Percent

Item	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
<b>One month earlier</b>												
2013	55.2	60.5	45.5	46.2	52.5	58.2	48.5	60.2	57.2	52.5	52.2	52.2
2014	40.8	63.5	66.6	49.5	60.9	57.2	63.9	46.5	61.2	56.2	63.2	54.5
2015	49.2	46.5	52.8	52.5	52.8	49.5	59.9					
<b>Three months earlier</b>												
2013	59.2	63.5	57.9	50.8	45.2	51.8	51.2	59.9	55.9	62.5	58.2	55.2
2014	47.8	57.9	64.2	69.6	68.9	58.9	64.2	62.5	62.9	57.5	64.9	65.9
2015	59.5	43.8	47.5	49.8	54.2	48.5	56.5					
<b>Six months earlier</b>												
2013	56.2	59.2	60.2	57.5	57.9	55.5	53.2	55.5	57.2	61.9	61.2	58.9
2014	53.5	56.2	64.9	63.2	62.2	67.2	69.6	68.9	64.2	63.9	69.2	68.6
2015	60.9	57.9	59.2	57.5	50.2	46.2	52.5					

NOTE. The diffusion indexes are calculated as the percentage of series that increased over the indicated span (one, three, or six months) plus one-half the percentage that were unchanged.

**Table 7**  
**CAPACITY UTILIZATION**  
Percent of capacity, seasonally adjusted

Item	2014 proportion	1972- 2014 ave.	1994- 95 high	2009 low	2014 Q4	2015 Q1 <sup>r</sup>	Q2 <sup>r</sup>	2015 Mar. <sup>r</sup>	Apr. <sup>r</sup>	May <sup>r</sup>	June <sup>r</sup>	July <sup>r</sup>	Aug. <sup>p</sup>
<b>Total industry</b>	100.00	80.1	85.0	66.9	78.8	78.4	77.6	78.2	77.9	77.5	77.4	78.0	77.6
<b>Manufacturing<sup>1</sup></b>	74.74	78.5	84.6	63.9	76.2	75.9	75.9	75.8	76.0	75.9	75.7	76.2	75.8
<b>Manufacturing (NAICS) 31-33</b>	71.57	78.4	84.7	63.6	77.0	76.6	76.6	76.6	76.8	76.6	76.4	77.0	76.6
<b>Durable manufacturing</b>	37.90	76.9	83.8	58.3	76.9	76.1	76.0	75.9	75.9	76.1	75.8	76.6	75.8
Wood products 321	1.23	76.4	86.6	49.0	71.9	70.1	68.4	69.5	69.3	68.4	67.5	69.3	69.2
Nonmetallic mineral products 327	2.22	74.2	82.7	44.4	62.5	62.9	62.8	62.3	62.9	62.7	62.9	63.2	64.3
Primary metals 331	2.59	79.0	94.4	49.1	77.8	74.3	74.0	73.1	73.0	73.5	75.5	75.2	75.1
Fabricated metal products 332	5.12	77.6	84.9	62.3	81.5	81.6	81.6	81.4	81.5	81.6	81.5	81.7	80.7
Machinery 333	5.80	77.8	87.6	58.6	78.0	75.8	75.4	74.9	75.4	75.8	75.0	74.2	75.3
Computer and electronic products 334	5.80	77.9	84.5	70.3	74.1	73.3	71.9	72.6	72.1	71.5	72.1	71.6	71.0
Electrical equip., appliances, and components 335	1.63	82.2	92.3	66.3	83.0	83.8	85.3	84.5	85.2	84.9	85.7	86.1	86.7
Motor vehicles and parts 3361-3	5.14	74.8	87.8	33.8	76.5	76.1	78.0	77.0	78.1	79.8	76.0	83.9	78.2
Aerospace and miscellaneous transportation equipment 3364-9	4.31	73.8	70.6	72.5	78.3	78.6	78.7	79.0	78.7	79.1	78.4	78.4	77.4
Furniture and related products 337	1.13	76.5	82.5	57.2	78.9	79.0	77.9	78.7	77.6	77.8	78.3	78.3	78.2
Miscellaneous 339	2.92	76.3	80.7	69.2	78.9	77.7	77.0	77.1	76.4	76.1	78.4	75.9	76.9
<b>Nondurable manufacturing</b>	33.67	80.4	86.0	69.3	77.0	77.2	77.3	77.4	77.7	77.1	77.1	77.5	77.4
Food, beverage, and tobacco products 311,2	10.11	80.8	85.3	74.8	79.1	79.0	79.3	79.5	80.0	79.2	78.6	79.1	79.4
Textile and product mills 313,4	.71	79.5	91.8	53.8	73.2	73.2	74.2	73.8	74.0	74.4	74.0	73.3	73.2
Apparel and leather 315,6	.30	76.9	87.4	57.8	65.7	66.3	65.2	65.4	65.3	65.2	65.0	66.2	66.3
Paper 322	2.35	86.6	92.7	72.9	83.5	83.1	83.1	83.4	83.4	83.4	82.4	82.2	82.2
Printing and support 323	1.71	80.0	85.0	58.7	63.3	63.3	63.1	63.6	63.5	62.9	63.0	63.3	63.4
Petroleum and coal products 324	3.44	85.4	91.0	75.9	83.4	84.4	84.9	84.5	85.9	85.0	83.8	84.2	83.7
Chemicals 325	11.92	77.2	81.8	66.1	73.7	74.2	74.1	74.1	74.2	73.6	74.4	74.8	74.2
Plastics and rubber products 326	3.13	82.0	93.3	58.8	80.7	80.7	80.6	80.3	80.6	80.8	80.4	81.2	81.6
<b>Other manufacturing (non-NAICS) 1133,5111</b>	3.17	81.4	83.4	69.4	58.5	58.0	58.0	58.3	58.4	58.1	57.6	57.8	57.8
<b>Mining 21</b>	15.24	87.5	88.7	79.0	90.7	88.3	84.2	87.2	85.7	83.5	83.4	84.7	84.0
<b>Utilities 2211,2</b>	10.02	85.9	93.3	78.5	80.0	81.4	78.6	80.9	78.7	78.2	78.9	78.7	79.2
<b>Selected high-technology industries</b>	3.02	77.7	86.6	71.8	72.0	70.6	69.2	70.0	69.7	68.9	68.9	68.7	68.1
Computers and peripheral equipment 3341	.49	77.8	87.8	82.2	66.4	66.4	68.1	67.2	67.9	68.1	68.1	69.6	68.1
Communications equipment 3342	.57	76.8	84.3	77.0	74.1	71.8	71.5	70.2	71.1	71.6	71.6	71.1	70.8
Semiconductors and related electronic components 3344	1.96	79.1	91.8	63.0	72.9	71.4	69.0	70.7	69.9	68.5	68.5	68.1	67.6
<b>Measures excluding selected high-technology industries</b>	96.98	80.2	84.9	66.7	79.0	78.7	77.9	78.4	78.2	77.8	77.7	78.3	77.9
Total industry	71.72	78.6	84.5	63.4	76.4	76.1	76.2	76.1	76.3	76.2	76.0	76.6	76.2
<b>STAGE-OF-PROCESS GROUPS</b>													
Crude	19.34	86.3	89.8	76.9	88.2	86.2	83.4	85.5	84.6	83.0	82.6	83.7	83.0
Primary and semifinished	44.36	80.7	87.8	64.2	76.8	76.8	76.0	76.5	76.2	76.0	75.9	76.3	76.1
Finished	36.30	77.0	80.7	66.7	76.2	76.0	76.0	76.1	76.1	76.0	75.9	76.5	76.1

<sup>r</sup> Revised. <sup>p</sup> Preliminary.

1. Refer to note on cover page.

**Table 8**  
**INDUSTRIAL CAPACITY**  
Percent change

Item	Average annual rate				Fourth quarter to fourth quarter				Annual rate				Monthly rate
	1972-79	1980-88	1989-94	1995-2015	2012	2013	2014	2015	2014 Q4	2015 Q1	Q2	Q3	2015 Aug.
<b>Total industry</b>	3.0	1.9	2.3	2.3	2.4	1.6	2.1	1.5	2.0	1.7	1.5	1.4	.1
Manufacturing <sup>1</sup>	3.2	2.2	2.6	2.3	1.9	1.1	.7	1.2	.8	1.0	1.2	1.3	.1
Mining	.7	.1	-.6	1.4	5.8	6.4	9.3	4.2	8.3	6.3	4.3	3.1	.2
Utilities	4.2	2.1	1.8	1.8	1.2	.3	1.2	.8	1.2	1.0	.8	.7	.1
<b>Selected high-technology industries</b>													
Manufacturing <sup>1</sup> ex. selected high-technology industries	18.6	16.8	16.0	18.5	13.7	-.5	.9	5.9	3.8	4.9	5.9	6.4	.5
	2.6	1.3	1.6	1.0	1.4	1.3	.7	.9	.7	.8	.9	1.0	.1
<b>STAGE-OF-PROCESS GROUPS</b>													
Crude	1.5	.5	-.5	1.3	6.3	4.4	7.0	3.3	6.4	4.8	3.4	2.4	.2
Primary and semifinished	3.0	1.3	2.5	2.5	1.8	.7	.5	1.0	.7	.8	.9	1.0	.1
Finished	3.9	3.3	2.7	2.1	1.2	1.6	1.3	1.5	1.3	1.3	1.4	1.5	.1

1. Refer to note on cover page.

**Table 9**  
**GROSS VALUE OF FINAL PRODUCTS AND NONINDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES**  
Billions of 2009 dollars at annual rate, seasonally adjusted

Item	2009	2014	2014 Q4	2015 Q1 <sup>r</sup>	Q2 <sup>r</sup>	2015 Mar. <sup>r</sup>	Apr. <sup>r</sup>	May <sup>r</sup>	June <sup>r</sup>	July <sup>r</sup>	Aug. <sup>p</sup>
<b>Final products and nonindustrial supplies</b>	3,259.8	3,712.2	3,756.1	3,762.3	3,757.7	3,760.3	3,771.6	3,760.4	3,741.1	3,793.4	3,768.6
<b>Final products</b>	2,413.4	2,757.9	2,785.2	2,793.3	2,789.6	2,796.5	2,801.9	2,792.3	2,774.7	2,826.5	2,801.2
Consumer goods	1,796.1	1,965.5	1,975.9	1,996.0	1,995.9	2,001.5	2,008.9	1,994.5	1,984.5	2,029.1	2,012.6
Durable	354.5	491.6	503.2	500.7	514.5	503.3	512.9	522.7	507.7	548.6	527.0
Automotive products	200.5	320.5	327.9	326.6	339.8	329.9	338.9	348.6	332.0	372.2	349.0
Other durable goods	154.0	171.1	175.3	174.0	174.7	173.4	174.1	174.3	175.7	176.9	178.2
Nondurable	1,441.6	1,487.2	1,488.1	1,509.8	1,497.6	1,512.9	1,511.6	1,488.8	1,492.5	1,499.2	1,502.7
Equipment, total	617.3	800.3	818.7	805.2	801.4	802.6	800.5	805.7	797.9	805.0	796.1
Business and defense	600.0	773.0	790.8	784.8	789.4	786.4	787.3	793.9	786.9	793.1	784.3
Business	483.2	657.6	675.0	669.3	675.1	671.1	672.8	679.7	672.9	679.5	672.1
Defense and space	116.8	115.9	116.4	116.0	114.9	116.0	115.1	114.8	114.6	114.2	112.9
<b>Nonindustrial supplies</b>	846.4	954.1	971.1	969.0	968.0	963.5	969.6	968.0	966.5	966.3	967.1
Construction supplies	232.2	276.6	282.6	280.0	280.4	276.7	279.1	280.9	281.3	281.2	281.5
Business supplies	614.2	677.9	689.0	689.5	688.0	687.3	690.9	687.5	685.7	685.5	686.1
Commercial energy products	232.5	247.5	252.7	253.8	251.1	252.3	253.5	250.5	249.4	249.1	248.2

<sup>r</sup> Revised. <sup>p</sup> Preliminary.

**Table 10**  
**GROSS-VALUE-WEIGHTED INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION: STAGE-OF-PROCESS GROUPS**  
Percent change, seasonally adjusted

Item	2014 gross value <sup>1</sup>	Fourth quarter to fourth quarter			Annual rate			Monthly rate						Aug. '14 to Aug. '15
		2012	2013	2014	2014 Q4	2015 Q1 <sup>r</sup>	Q2 <sup>r</sup>	2015 Mar. <sup>r</sup>	Apr. <sup>r</sup>	May <sup>r</sup>	June <sup>r</sup>	July <sup>r</sup>	Aug. <sup>p</sup>	
Finished	2,163.8	1.5	.9	4.5	3.8	-2.1	1.2	.7	.4	.1	-.8	2.2	-1.1	1.6
Semifinished	1,914.8	2.1	2.5	4.3	7.5	1.2	-.7	.1	-.2	.1	-.6	.9	-.5	2.3
Primary	1,455.4	.8	5.4	-.2	1.7	2.3	-2.3	-1.3	.2	-.8	.4	.4	.0	1.0
Crude	776.5	5.5	3.3	5.9	1.9	-3.1	-5.0	-.1	-.1	-1.3	.0	1.3	-.7	-1.6

<sup>r</sup> Revised. <sup>p</sup> Preliminary.

1. Billions of 2009 dollars.

**Table 11**  
**HISTORICAL STATISTICS FOR INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION, CAPACITY, AND UTILIZATION: Total Industry**

Seasonally adjusted

Year	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Annual
<b>IP (percent change)<sup>1</sup></b>																	
1993	.4	.4	-.1	.3	-.3	.2	.3	-.1	.5	.8	.4	.5	3.6	.9	1.7	6.2	3.3
1994	.4	.0	1.0	.5	.5	.7	.2	.6	.4	.9	.6	1.1	5.0	7.5	5.3	8.6	5.3
1995	.2	-.1	.2	.0	.3	.4	-.4	1.3	.4	-.1	.3	.4	4.5	1.4	3.8	3.5	4.8
1996	-.7	1.6	-.1	.9	.7	.8	-.2	.6	.7	-.1	.9	.7	2.7	8.7	5.1	5.7	4.5
1997	.1	1.2	.7	.1	.6	.5	.8	1.1	.9	.9	.9	.3	7.9	6.3	9.7	10.8	7.3
1998	.5	.1	.1	.4	.6	-.6	-.4	2.0	-.2	.8	-.1	.4	4.7	2.7	2.8	5.7	5.9
1999	.5	.5	.2	.2	.7	-.2	.6	.4	-.4	1.3	.5	.8	4.3	3.9	3.8	7.5	4.3
2000	.0	.3	.4	.8	.2	.1	-.1	-.4	.4	-.3	.0	-.3	4.4	5.4	-.3	-1.1	4.1
2001	-.7	-.6	-.3	-.3	-.7	-.7	-.5	-.2	-.3	-.5	-.5	.0	-5.5	-5.4	-5.7	-4.4	-3.3
2002	.6	.0	.8	.4	.4	1.0	-.2	.0	.1	-.3	.5	-.5	2.9	6.4	2.4	-.2	.3
2003	.7	.3	-.2	-.8	.0	.1	.4	-.2	.6	.1	.8	-.1	2.6	-2.9	2.4	3.8	1.3
2004	.2	.6	-.5	.4	.8	-.8	.8	.1	.1	.9	.2	.7	2.3	1.8	2.2	5.7	2.4
2005	.5	.7	-.1	.1	.2	.4	-.3	.2	-1.9	1.3	1.0	.6	5.8	2.1	-1.9	3.8	3.3
2006	.1	.0	.3	.4	-.1	.4	.0	.3	-.1	.0	-.1	1.0	3.7	2.4	1.5	1.0	2.2
2007	-.5	1.1	.1	.7	.0	.0	.0	.2	.4	-.5	.6	.0	3.7	5.0	.9	.6	2.5
2008	-.3	-.3	-.3	-.7	-.5	-.2	-.5	-1.5	-4.3	.9	-1.2	-2.9	-1.4	-5.4	-12.1	-15.9	-3.4
2009	-2.3	-.6	-1.5	-.8	-1.0	-.4	1.1	1.1	.8	.4	.3	.4	-20.3	-11.0	5.9	6.6	-11.3
2010	1.2	.3	.7	.4	1.5	.2	.5	.3	.2	-.2	.0	.9	8.0	8.3	6.0	1.5	5.6
2011	.0	-.5	.9	-.4	.3	.2	.4	.6	.0	.7	-.1	.5	2.2	.9	4.4	3.9	3.0
2012	.7	.2	-.7	.8	.1	-.1	.3	-.4	.1	.3	.5	.2	3.9	2.2	.1	2.2	2.8
2013	.1	.4	.2	.0	-.1	.2	-.4	.8	.6	.0	.3	.3	2.9	1.1	1.7	3.7	1.9
2014	-.2	.8	.8	.2	.4	.4	.3	.0	.5	.2	.9	.1	3.6	5.7	3.9	4.7	3.7
2015	-.3	-.2	-.2	-.2	-.4	.0	.9	-.4					-.3	-2.6			
<b>IP (2012=100)</b>																	
2013	100.9	101.3	101.6	101.5	101.5	101.7	101.3	102.0	102.6	102.7	102.9	103.2	101.3	101.6	102.0	102.9	101.9
2014	103.0	103.8	104.7	104.9	105.2	105.7	106.1	106.1	106.7	106.8	107.8	107.9	103.8	105.3	106.3	107.5	105.7
2015	107.6	107.4	107.2	107.0	106.6	106.6	107.5	107.1					107.4	106.7			
<b>Capacity (percent of 2012 output)</b>																	
2013	131.9	132.0	132.2	132.4	132.5	132.7	132.9	133.0	133.2	133.4	133.6	133.8	132.0	132.5	133.0	133.6	132.8
2014	134.1	134.3	134.5	134.8	135.0	135.2	135.5	135.7	136.0	136.2	136.4	136.6	134.3	135.0	135.7	136.4	135.3
2015	136.8	137.0	137.1	137.3	137.5	137.6	137.8	138.0					137.0	137.5			
<b>Utilization (percent)</b>																	
1993	81.4	81.6	81.4	81.5	81.1	81.2	81.3	81.1	81.4	81.8	82.0	82.3	81.4	81.3	81.3	82.1	81.5
1994	82.4	82.3	82.9	83.1	83.3	83.6	83.5	83.7	83.7	84.2	84.4	85.0	82.5	83.4	83.7	84.5	83.5
1995	84.9	84.5	84.3	84.0	84.0	83.9	83.3	84.0	84.0	83.6	83.5	83.4	84.6	84.0	83.8	83.5	84.0
1996	82.5	83.4	83.0	83.3	83.5	83.8	83.3	83.4	83.6	83.1	83.4	83.6	83.0	83.6	83.4	83.4	83.3
1997	83.3	83.9	84.0	83.6	83.7	83.6	83.8	84.2	84.4	84.6	84.8	84.5	83.7	83.7	84.1	84.7	84.0
1998	84.4	83.9	83.5	83.2	83.2	82.2	81.4	82.6	82.0	82.3	81.8	81.8	83.9	82.9	82.0	82.0	82.7
1999	81.8	81.8	81.6	81.5	81.8	81.3	81.5	81.6	81.0	81.7	81.8	82.2	81.7	81.5	81.3	81.9	81.6
2000	81.9	81.9	81.9	82.2	82.1	81.9	81.6	81.0	81.1	80.6	80.4	79.9	81.9	82.1	81.3	80.3	81.4
2001	79.1	78.4	78.0	77.5	76.8	76.1	75.5	75.1	74.7	74.2	73.7	73.6	78.5	76.8	75.1	73.8	76.1
2002	73.9	73.8	74.3	74.6	74.8	75.5	75.3	75.3	75.4	75.2	75.6	75.2	74.0	75.0	75.3	75.3	74.9
2003	75.8	76.0	75.9	75.4	75.4	75.5	75.9	75.8	76.3	76.4	77.0	76.9	75.9	75.5	76.0	76.8	76.0
2004	77.1	77.6	77.2	77.5	78.1	77.5	78.1	78.2	78.2	79.0	79.1	79.6	77.3	77.7	78.2	79.2	78.1
2005	79.9	80.4	80.2	80.2	80.2	80.4	80.1	80.1	78.5	79.4	80.0	80.4	80.2	80.3	79.6	79.9	80.0
2006	80.4	80.3	80.4	80.6	80.4	80.6	80.4	80.5	80.3	80.1	79.8	80.5	80.4	80.5	80.4	80.1	80.3
2007	79.9	80.6	80.5	81.0	80.9	80.7	80.6	80.7	80.9	80.4	80.9	80.9	80.4	80.8	80.7	80.8	80.7
2008	80.7	80.6	80.4	79.9	79.6	79.4	79.0	77.8	74.5	75.1	74.1	71.9	80.6	79.6	77.1	73.7	77.7
2009	70.1	69.6	68.5	67.9	67.2	66.9	67.6	68.4	69.0	69.4	69.7	70.0	69.4	67.3	68.4	69.7	68.7
2010	71.0	71.4	72.0	72.4	73.6	73.9	74.4	74.8	75.1	75.0	75.1	75.8	71.4	73.3	74.8	75.3	73.7
2011	75.8	75.5	76.1	75.7	75.9	76.0	76.2	76.6	76.4	76.8	76.5	76.8	75.8	75.9	76.4	76.7	76.2
2012	77.2	77.2	76.5	77.0	76.9	76.7	76.8	76.3	76.2	76.3	76.5	76.6	77.0	76.9	76.4	76.5	76.7
2013	76.5	76.7	76.8	76.7	76.6	76.6	76.2	76.7	77.0	76.9	77.0	77.1	76.7	76.6	76.7	77.0	76.7
2014	76.8	77.3	77.8	77.8	78.0	78.2	78.3	78.2	78.5	78.5	79.0	79.0	77.3	78.0	78.3	78.8	78.1
2015	78.7	78.4	78.2	77.9	77.5	77.4	78.0	77.6					78.4	77.6			

1. Quarterly changes are at annual rates. Annual changes are calculated from annual averages.

**Table 12**  
**HISTORICAL STATISTICS FOR INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION, CAPACITY, AND UTILIZATION: Manufacturing<sup>1</sup>**

Seasonally adjusted

Year	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Annual
<b>IP (percent change)<sup>2</sup></b>																	
1993	1.0	.2	-2	.5	-.1	-.2	.3	-.2	.6	.9	.4	.6	4.5	1.4	.8	6.9	3.5
1994	.2	.1	1.3	.8	.7	.3	.4	.8	.5	1.0	.8	1.1	4.8	9.5	6.2	10.4	5.9
1995	.2	-.2	.3	-.1	.1	.5	-.6	1.1	.9	-.1	.1	.4	4.7	.9	3.1	4.4	5.3
1996	-.8	1.6	-.2	1.1	.8	1.0	.2	.5	.8	-.2	.9	.9	1.9	9.9	7.5	5.9	4.9
1997	.1	1.4	1.1	-.2	.8	.7	.7	1.3	.9	.9	1.1	.4	9.4	7.5	10.8	11.7	8.5
1998	.9	.1	-.1	.5	.5	-.8	-.4	2.4	-.2	1.0	.2	.5	6.3	2.2	3.1	7.9	6.8
1999	.3	.8	-.1	.4	.9	-.3	.5	.6	-.4	1.5	.6	.7	4.9	4.4	3.4	9.0	5.0
2000	.1	.2	.7	.8	-.1	.2	.1	-.7	.4	-.3	-.3	-.6	4.8	5.2	-.4	-2.6	4.3
2001	-.6	-.6	-.3	-.3	-.8	-.7	-.5	-.5	-.2	-.6	-.3	.3	-6.4	-5.6	-6.2	-4.1	-3.9
2002	.5	.0	.8	.2	.5	1.1	-.3	.2	.1	-.4	.5	-.5	3.5	5.8	3.2	-.3	.3
2003	.5	.1	.1	-.9	.1	.5	.2	-.5	.8	.1	1.0	-.2	1.8	-1.9	2.0	4.3	1.3
2004	-.1	.7	-.2	.4	.8	-.7	.9	.4	.0	1.0	-.1	.7	1.9	3.0	3.8	5.4	2.8
2005	-.8	.8	-.5	.3	.4	.2	-.3	.4	-1.0	1.5	.8	.1	6.5	2.4	-.6	6.4	4.0
2006	.8	-.3	-.1	.6	-.4	.3	-.3	.6	.1	-.3	.1	1.5	3.8	.9	.8	1.7	2.6
2007	-.5	.4	.8	.7	-.1	.3	.1	-.3	.4	-.4	.5	.1	4.2	5.8	.7	.5	2.7
2008	-.4	-.6	-.3	-1.1	-.5	-.5	-1.1	-1.2	-3.4	-.6	-2.4	-3.4	-2.7	-7.6	-13.4	-21.4	-4.7
2009	-3.0	-.2	-1.9	-.8	-1.1	-.4	1.4	1.1	.8	.2	.9	-.2	-24.2	-11.3	7.7	7.2	-13.7
2010	1.1	-.1	1.2	.9	1.4	-.1	.7	.2	.1	.1	.0	.4	6.8	10.9	5.0	1.5	5.9
2011	.3	.0	.5	-.6	.2	.0	.7	.3	.4	.6	-.3	.7	2.9	-.4	4.6	3.8	3.0
2012	1.0	.3	-.6	.7	-.5	.1	.0	-.3	.0	-.2	.7	.7	5.5	.5	-1.0	1.3	2.7
2013	-.2	.4	-.3	-.3	.2	.2	-.8	.9	.2	.2	-.1	.0	2.5	-.5	.5	2.7	.9
2014	-.8	1.1	.7	.3	.2	.4	.7	-.4	.2	.3	.9	.0	.7	5.9	3.8	3.4	2.5
2015	-.3	-.4	.2	.4	-.1	-.2	.9	-.5					-.7	1.1			
<b>IP (2012=100)</b>																	
2013	100.6	101.0	100.7	100.5	100.7	100.8	100.1	101.0	101.2	101.5	101.4	101.4	100.8	100.6	100.8	101.4	100.9
2014	100.6	101.7	102.5	102.8	103.0	103.5	104.2	103.9	104.1	104.3	105.2	105.2	101.6	103.1	104.1	104.9	103.4
2015	104.9	104.5	104.8	105.2	105.0	104.9	105.8	105.3					104.7	105.0			
<b>Capacity (percent of 2012 output)</b>																	
2013	135.5	135.7	135.9	136.0	136.1	136.2	136.3	136.4	136.5	136.6	136.7	136.8	135.7	136.1	136.4	136.7	136.2
2014	136.9	137.0	137.1	137.1	137.2	137.3	137.4	137.4	137.5	137.6	137.7	137.8	137.0	137.2	137.4	137.7	137.3
2015	137.9	138.1	138.2	138.3	138.5	138.6	138.8	138.9					138.1	138.5			
<b>Utilization (percent)</b>																	
1993	80.5	80.5	80.2	80.5	80.3	80.1	80.2	79.9	80.2	80.8	81.0	81.2	80.4	80.3	80.1	81.0	80.5
1994	81.2	81.1	81.9	82.4	82.7	82.6	82.7	83.0	83.2	83.7	84.0	84.6	81.4	82.6	83.0	84.1	82.8
1995	84.5	83.9	83.8	83.4	83.2	83.2	82.3	82.9	83.2	82.8	82.4	82.3	84.1	83.2	82.8	82.5	83.2
1996	81.3	82.1	81.5	82.0	82.2	82.5	82.3	82.3	82.5	81.9	82.2	82.4	81.6	82.2	82.4	82.2	82.1
1997	82.0	82.7	83.1	82.5	82.6	82.7	82.7	83.2	83.3	83.5	83.7	83.5	82.6	82.6	83.1	83.6	83.0
1998	83.5	83.0	82.3	82.1	81.9	80.7	79.9	81.3	80.7	81.0	80.7	80.7	82.9	81.6	80.6	80.8	81.5
1999	80.5	80.8	80.3	80.3	80.7	80.0	80.0	80.2	79.6	80.4	80.6	80.8	80.6	80.3	79.9	80.6	80.3
2000	80.5	80.4	80.6	80.8	80.4	80.3	80.1	79.2	79.2	78.7	78.2	77.4	80.5	80.5	79.5	78.1	79.6
2001	76.7	76.0	75.5	75.1	74.3	73.6	73.1	72.6	72.3	71.8	71.5	71.6	76.1	74.4	72.7	71.6	73.7
2002	71.9	71.9	72.4	72.5	72.8	73.6	73.4	73.5	73.6	73.3	73.7	73.3	72.0	73.0	73.5	73.5	73.0
2003	73.7	73.8	73.9	73.3	73.4	73.8	73.9	73.6	74.2	74.3	75.1	75.0	73.8	73.5	73.9	74.8	74.0
2004	74.9	75.5	75.4	75.7	76.3	75.8	76.5	76.8	76.8	77.5	77.4	77.8	75.3	76.0	76.7	77.6	76.4
2005	78.3	78.8	78.3	78.4	78.5	78.5	78.0	78.1	77.2	78.3	78.7	78.6	78.5	78.4	77.8	78.5	78.3
2006	79.2	78.8	78.6	79.0	78.5	78.7	78.3	78.7	78.6	78.2	78.1	79.0	78.9	78.7	78.5	78.4	78.6
2007	78.4	78.6	79.0	79.4	79.1	79.1	79.0	78.6	78.8	78.4	78.7	78.7	78.7	79.2	78.8	78.6	78.8
2008	78.4	77.9	77.7	76.9	76.7	76.3	75.6	74.8	72.4	72.0	70.5	68.1	78.0	76.7	74.2	70.2	74.8
2009	66.2	66.2	65.0	64.6	64.0	63.9	64.9	65.7	66.4	66.6	67.4	67.4	65.8	64.2	65.7	67.1	65.7
2010	68.2	68.3	69.2	69.9	71.1	71.1	71.7	72.0	72.1	72.4	72.4	72.8	68.6	70.7	72.0	72.5	70.9
2011	73.1	73.2	73.6	73.2	73.3	73.3	73.8	73.9	74.1	74.5	74.1	74.5	73.3	73.3	73.9	74.4	73.7
2012	75.1	75.2	74.7	75.0	74.6	74.5	74.4	74.1	74.0	73.7	74.1	74.5	75.0	74.7	74.2	74.1	74.5
2013	74.2	74.4	74.1	73.9	73.9	74.0	73.4	74.0	74.1	74.2	74.2	74.1	74.3	73.9	73.8	74.2	74.1
2014	73.5	74.3	74.8	75.0	75.1	75.4	75.9	75.6	75.7	75.8	76.4	76.3	74.2	75.1	75.7	76.2	75.3
2015	76.1	75.7	75.8	76.0	75.9	75.7	76.2	75.8					75.9	75.9			

1. Refer to note on cover page.

2. Quarterly changes are at annual rates. Annual changes are calculated from annual averages.

**Table 13**  
**HISTORICAL STATISTICS FOR INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION, CAPACITY, AND UTILIZATION: Total Industry Excluding Selected High-Technology Industries<sup>1</sup>**

Seasonally adjusted

Year	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Annual
<b>IP (percent change)<sup>2</sup></b>																	
1993	.4	.4	-.2	.3	-.4	.2	.3	-.2	.4	.7	.3	.5	3.2	.2	1.3	5.3	2.5
1994	.3	.0	.9	.3	.4	.6	.0	.3	.1	.6	.4	.9	4.2	5.4	3.1	5.7	4.0
1995	.1	-.2	-.1	-.3	.1	.2	-.5	1.1	.1	-.4	.1	.1	2.8	-1.2	1.3	.4	2.4
1996	-1.0	1.3	-.3	.8	.5	.6	-.5	.3	.5	-.4	.8	.5	-.5	6.6	2.0	3.0	1.7
1997	-.1	.9	.4	-.2	.3	.2	.5	.8	.7	.7	.6	.1	5.2	2.5	6.3	7.7	4.2
1998	.3	.0	.0	.2	.6	-1.0	-.7	1.9	-.6	.6	-.3	.1	2.1	.7	-.4	2.4	3.1
1999	.1	.2	-.1	-.1	.5	-.5	.3	.4	-.5	1.2	.2	.5	.6	.3	.9	5.5	1.1
2000	-.3	.0	.1	.5	-.1	-.1	-.4	-.5	.3	-.4	-.1	-.5	.5	1.8	-3.1	-2.6	1.0
2001	-.7	-.6	-.3	-.1	-.6	-.5	-.3	-.2	-.4	-.5	-.5	-.1	-5.8	-4.4	-4.4	-4.5	-3.9
2002	.7	-.1	.8	.4	.4	.9	-.3	-.1	.1	-.3	.5	-.6	2.7	6.3	1.9	-.7	.3
2003	.6	.1	-.3	-.9	-.1	-.1	.3	-.3	.5	.0	.8	-.1	1.5	-4.6	.7	2.8	.2
2004	.1	.6	-.6	.4	.8	-.8	.8	.0	.0	.9	.2	.7	1.9	2.0	2.1	5.2	1.7
2005	.4	.6	-.2	.0	.1	.4	-.4	.1	-2.1	1.2	1.0	.6	4.8	1.3	-3.1	2.5	2.5
2006	.1	-.1	.2	.4	-.2	.3	-.1	.3	-.3	-.1	-.2	1.0	3.2	1.8	.6	.3	1.4
2007	-.5	1.0	-.1	.6	.1	.1	.0	.1	.3	-.7	.4	-.1	3.0	4.0	1.0	-1.0	1.8
2008	-.3	-.4	-.4	-.8	-.5	-.2	-.5	-1.5	-4.4	1.2	-1.0	-2.7	-2.6	-6.4	-12.3	-14.7	-4.2
2009	-2.3	-.7	-1.7	-.9	-1.1	-.4	1.1	1.1	.7	.4	.2	.3	-20.0	-11.9	5.7	6.1	-11.3
2010	1.1	.2	.6	.3	1.5	.2	.5	.3	.2	-.3	.0	.8	7.0	7.7	5.8	.8	5.0
2011	-.1	-.5	.9	-.4	.2	.2	.4	.6	.0	.7	-.2	.5	1.5	.9	4.2	3.9	2.7
2012	.8	.2	-.7	.8	.1	-.1	.3	-.4	.0	.2	.5	.2	3.6	1.7	.0	2.0	2.6
2013	.1	.4	.2	.0	-.1	.2	-.4	.8	.6	.0	.3	.3	3.1	1.0	1.6	3.7	1.9
2014	-.2	.8	.8	.2	.3	.5	.4	.0	.5	.1	.9	.1	3.8	5.7	4.0	4.7	3.8
2015	-.3	-.1	-.2	-.2	-.4	.0	.9	-.4					-.3	-2.6			
<b>IP (2012=100)</b>																	
2013	100.9	101.3	101.5	101.5	101.4	101.6	101.2	102.0	102.6	102.6	102.8	103.1	101.3	101.5	101.9	102.8	101.9
2014	103.0	103.8	104.6	104.8	105.2	105.7	106.1	106.1	106.7	106.8	107.8	107.9	103.8	105.2	106.3	107.5	105.7
2015	107.6	107.4	107.3	107.0	106.6	106.6	107.5	107.1					107.4	106.7			
<b>Capacity (percent of 2012 output)</b>																	
2013	131.3	131.5	131.7	131.9	132.0	132.2	132.4	132.6	132.8	133.0	133.2	133.4	131.5	132.0	132.6	133.2	132.3
2014	133.7	133.9	134.2	134.4	134.7	134.9	135.2	135.4	135.6	135.8	136.0	136.2	133.9	134.7	135.4	136.0	135.0
2015	136.4	136.6	136.7	136.9	137.0	137.2	137.3	137.4					136.6	137.0			
<b>Utilization (percent)</b>																	
1993	81.4	81.7	81.4	81.6	81.2	81.2	81.4	81.2	81.4	81.9	82.1	82.4	81.5	81.3	81.3	82.1	81.6
1994	82.6	82.5	83.1	83.2	83.4	83.8	83.6	83.8	83.7	84.1	84.3	84.9	82.7	83.5	83.7	84.5	83.6
1995	84.9	84.5	84.3	83.9	83.8	83.8	83.2	83.9	83.9	83.4	83.3	83.2	84.6	83.8	83.7	83.3	83.8
1996	82.3	83.2	82.8	83.3	83.6	84.0	83.4	83.5	83.7	83.2	83.7	83.9	82.8	83.6	83.6	83.6	83.4
1997	83.6	84.1	84.2	83.7	83.7	83.6	83.8	84.1	84.3	84.6	84.8	84.6	84.0	83.7	84.1	84.7	84.1
1998	84.5	84.2	83.8	83.6	83.8	82.7	81.8	83.1	82.4	82.6	82.1	81.9	84.1	83.4	82.4	82.2	83.0
1999	81.8	81.7	81.4	81.2	81.4	80.9	80.9	81.1	80.6	81.4	81.5	81.8	81.6	81.2	80.9	81.6	81.3
2000	81.4	81.3	81.3	81.6	81.4	81.2	80.8	80.3	80.5	80.0	79.8	79.4	81.3	81.4	80.5	79.7	80.8
2001	78.7	78.2	77.9	77.7	77.1	76.6	76.3	76.1	75.7	75.2	74.8	74.6	78.3	77.2	76.0	74.9	76.6
2002	75.1	75.0	75.5	75.8	76.1	76.8	76.6	76.6	76.7	76.5	76.9	76.5	75.2	76.3	76.6	76.6	76.2
2003	77.0	77.2	77.0	76.4	76.4	76.4	76.6	76.4	76.9	76.9	77.5	77.4	77.1	76.4	76.6	77.3	76.8
2004	77.5	78.0	77.6	78.0	78.6	78.0	78.6	78.7	78.7	79.4	79.6	80.1	77.7	78.2	78.7	79.7	78.6
2005	80.4	80.8	80.6	80.6	80.7	80.9	80.5	80.5	78.7	79.6	80.2	80.6	80.6	80.7	79.9	80.1	80.3
2006	80.5	80.4	80.4	80.6	80.3	80.5	80.3	80.4	80.1	79.9	79.7	80.4	80.4	80.5	80.3	80.0	80.3
2007	79.8	80.6	80.5	80.9	80.9	81.0	80.9	81.1	81.3	80.8	81.2	81.1	80.3	80.9	81.1	81.0	80.8
2008	80.9	80.7	80.4	79.8	79.3	79.1	78.7	77.5	74.0	74.8	73.9	71.8	80.7	79.4	76.7	73.5	77.6
2009	70.1	69.5	68.3	67.7	66.9	66.7	67.4	68.3	68.9	69.2	69.5	69.9	69.3	67.1	68.2	69.6	68.5
2010	70.9	71.1	71.7	72.1	73.4	73.7	74.2	74.6	74.9	74.8	74.8	75.5	71.2	73.1	74.6	75.0	73.5
2011	75.5	75.2	75.9	75.6	75.8	75.9	76.2	76.6	76.5	77.0	76.7	77.0	75.5	75.7	76.4	76.9	76.1
2012	77.5	77.5	76.8	77.3	77.2	77.0	77.1	76.6	76.5	76.6	76.8	76.9	77.2	77.1	76.7	76.7	77.0
2013	76.8	77.1	77.1	77.0	76.8	76.9	76.4	76.9	77.2	77.1	77.2	77.3	77.0	76.9	76.9	77.2	77.0
2014	77.0	77.5	78.0	78.0	78.1	78.3	78.5	78.4	78.7	78.7	79.2	79.2	77.5	78.2	78.5	79.0	78.3
2015	78.9	78.7	78.4	78.2	77.8	77.7	78.3	77.9					78.7	77.9			

1. Selected high-technology industries are computers, communications equipment, and semiconductors and related electronic components.

2. Quarterly changes are at annual rates. Annual changes are calculated from annual averages.

**Table 14**  
**HISTORICAL STATISTICS FOR INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION, CAPACITY, AND UTILIZATION: Manufacturing<sup>1</sup> Excluding Selected High-Technology Industries<sup>2</sup>**

Seasonally adjusted

Year	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Annual
<b>IP (percent change)<sup>3</sup></b>																	
1993	1.0	.1	-4	.5	-1	-2	.3	-3	.6	.8	.3	.5	4.0	.6	.3	6.0	2.6
1994	.1	.1	1.1	.6	.5	.1	.2	.5	.2	.7	.6	.9	3.9	7.1	3.7	7.0	4.4
1995	.1	-4	-1	-4	-1	.3	-8	.8	.6	-4	-1	.0	2.7	-2.3	.2	.8	2.5
1996	-1.2	1.3	-5	1.0	.5	.8	-1	.2	.6	-5	.7	.7	-2.0	7.4	3.9	2.8	1.5
1997	-2	1.1	.8	-6	.4	.4	.4	1.0	.6	.7	.8	.1	6.2	3.0	6.9	8.2	4.9
1998	.6	.0	-3	.3	.4	-1.2	-8	2.3	-6	.7	-1	.2	3.4	-2	-6	4.2	3.5
1999	-1	.5	-4	.0	.7	-7	.0	.6	-5	1.4	.4	.4	.7	.3	.0	6.7	1.3
2000	-3	-2	.3	.4	-6	.0	-2	-1.0	.3	-4	-5	-8	.3	.9	-3.8	-4.6	.7
2001	-6	-6	-3	-1	-7	-6	-2	-5	-2	-7	-2	.1	-6.9	-4.4	-4.6	-4.2	-4.7
2002	.6	-2	.8	.2	.6	1.1	-4	.1	.1	-4	.4	-6	3.2	5.6	2.6	-1.0	.4
2003	.4	-1	.1	-1.0	-1	.3	.0	-6	.7	-1	1.0	-3	.5	-3.9	-1	3.1	.0
2004	-2	.7	-2	.4	.8	-8	1.0	.4	-1	1.0	-1	.6	1.3	3.3	3.7	4.8	2.0
2005	.6	.7	-6	.2	.3	.1	-5	.2	-1.2	1.5	.7	.0	5.2	1.4	-2.2	4.9	3.1
2006	.8	-4	-1	.5	-6	.2	-3	.5	.0	-4	.0	1.5	3.1	.0	-3	.8	1.5
2007	-6	.3	.6	.5	.0	.5	.1	-4	.3	-6	.3	.0	3.2	4.7	.8	-1.7	1.8
2008	-5	-8	-4	-1.2	-6	-6	-1.1	-1.2	-3.5	-4	-2.1	-3.3	-4.3	-9.1	-13.6	-20.2	-5.8
2009	-3.1	-2	-2.1	-9	-1.2	-4	1.4	1.2	.8	.2	.9	-2	-24.1	-12.4	7.5	6.6	-13.8
2010	1.0	-3	1.1	.8	1.5	-1	.6	.1	.0	.1	-1	.3	5.4	10.2	4.7	.6	5.1
2011	.2	.0	.6	-6	.1	.0	.7	.2	.4	.7	-4	.7	2.1	-4	4.3	3.9	2.5
2012	1.0	.2	-7	.6	-5	.1	.0	-2	-1	-3	.7	.7	5.2	-3	-1.2	1.0	2.4
2013	-2	.4	-3	-3	.2	.2	-8	1.0	.3	.2	-1	.1	2.8	-7	.3	2.7	.8
2014	-8	1.1	.8	.3	.2	.4	.8	-4	.2	.2	.9	.0	.9	6.0	3.9	3.4	2.5
2015	-3	-4	.2	.4	-1	-2	.9	-5					-6	1.2			
<b>IP (2012=100)</b>																	
2013	100.5	100.9	100.7	100.4	100.5	100.7	99.9	100.8	101.1	101.3	101.2	101.3	100.7	100.5	100.6	101.3	100.8
2014	100.5	101.6	102.4	102.7	102.9	103.3	104.1	103.7	104.0	104.2	105.1	105.1	101.5	103.0	103.9	104.8	103.3
2015	104.8	104.4	104.7	105.1	105.0	104.8	105.7	105.2					104.6	105.0			
<b>Capacity (percent of 2012 output)</b>																	
2013	135.0	135.1	135.3	135.4	135.6	135.7	135.8	135.9	136.1	136.2	136.3	136.4	135.1	135.6	135.9	136.3	135.7
2014	136.5	136.6	136.7	136.7	136.8	136.9	137.0	137.0	137.1	137.2	137.2	137.3	136.6	136.8	137.0	137.2	136.9
2015	137.4	137.5	137.6	137.7	137.8	137.9	138.1	138.2					137.5	137.8			
<b>Utilization (percent)</b>																	
1993	80.6	80.6	80.2	80.5	80.3	80.1	80.2	79.9	80.2	80.8	81.0	81.3	80.5	80.3	80.1	81.0	80.5
1994	81.3	81.2	82.1	82.4	82.7	82.7	82.8	83.1	83.1	83.5	83.9	84.5	81.5	82.6	83.0	84.0	82.8
1995	84.4	83.9	83.7	83.2	82.9	83.0	82.1	82.6	82.9	82.4	82.1	82.0	84.0	83.0	82.5	82.2	82.9
1996	80.9	81.7	81.2	81.9	82.1	82.6	82.3	82.3	82.6	82.0	82.3	82.7	81.3	82.2	82.4	82.3	82.0
1997	82.3	82.9	83.2	82.5	82.5	82.5	82.5	83.0	83.1	83.3	83.7	83.4	82.8	82.5	82.9	83.5	82.9
1998	83.5	83.1	82.6	82.4	82.4	81.1	80.2	81.7	80.9	81.2	80.8	80.8	83.1	82.0	80.9	80.9	81.7
1999	80.4	80.6	80.0	79.8	80.2	79.4	79.2	79.5	79.0	79.9	80.0	80.2	80.3	79.8	79.2	80.1	79.9
2000	79.8	79.6	79.7	79.9	79.4	79.3	79.0	78.1	78.2	77.8	77.3	76.6	79.7	79.5	78.4	77.2	78.7
2001	76.0	75.5	75.2	75.1	74.5	74.1	73.9	73.5	73.3	72.8	72.6	72.7	75.6	74.6	73.6	72.7	74.1
2002	73.1	73.0	73.6	73.7	74.1	75.0	74.7	74.9	75.0	74.7	75.0	74.6	73.3	74.3	74.9	74.8	74.3
2003	75.0	75.0	75.1	74.3	74.3	74.6	74.6	74.2	74.8	74.8	75.6	75.4	75.0	74.4	74.5	75.3	74.8
2004	75.3	75.9	75.8	76.1	76.8	76.2	77.0	77.3	77.2	78.0	77.8	78.3	75.6	76.4	77.1	78.0	76.8
2005	78.7	79.2	78.7	78.8	78.9	78.9	78.4	78.5	77.4	78.4	78.9	78.7	78.9	78.9	78.1	78.7	78.6
2006	79.3	78.8	78.6	78.9	78.4	78.4	78.1	78.3	78.2	77.8	77.7	78.8	78.9	78.6	78.2	78.1	78.4
2007	78.3	78.4	78.8	79.2	79.1	79.4	79.4	79.0	79.2	78.7	78.9	78.8	78.5	79.2	79.2	78.8	78.9
2008	78.5	77.8	77.5	76.6	76.2	75.8	75.0	74.2	71.7	71.5	70.1	67.9	77.9	76.2	73.6	69.8	74.4
2009	65.9	65.9	64.6	64.2	63.5	63.4	64.5	65.4	66.1	66.3	67.1	67.1	65.5	63.7	65.3	66.8	65.3
2010	67.9	67.8	68.7	69.5	70.6	70.7	71.3	71.5	71.7	71.9	72.0	72.3	68.1	70.3	71.5	72.1	70.5
2011	72.5	72.7	73.2	72.8	73.0	73.1	73.6	73.8	74.1	74.6	74.2	74.7	72.8	73.0	73.8	74.5	73.5
2012	75.4	75.5	74.9	75.3	74.8	74.8	74.7	74.4	74.2	73.9	74.3	74.7	75.3	74.9	74.4	74.3	74.7
2013	74.5	74.7	74.4	74.1	74.2	74.2	73.5	74.2	74.3	74.4	74.3	74.3	74.5	74.2	74.0	74.3	74.2
2014	73.6	74.4	74.9	75.1	75.2	75.5	76.0	75.7	75.8	76.0	76.6	76.5	74.3	75.3	75.9	76.4	75.4
2015	76.3	75.9	76.1	76.3	76.2	76.0	76.6	76.2					76.1	76.2			

1. Refer to note on cover page.

2. Selected high-technology industries are computers, communications equipment, and semiconductors and related electronic components.

3. Quarterly changes are at annual rates. Annual changes are calculated from annual averages.



The **Industrial Production and Capacity Utilization** statistical release, which is published around the middle of the month, reports measures of output, capacity, and capacity utilization in manufacturing, mining, and the electric and gas utilities industries. More detailed descriptions of industrial production and capacity utilization are available on the Board's website at [www.federalreserve.gov/releases/G17/About.htm](http://www.federalreserve.gov/releases/G17/About.htm). In addition, files containing data shown in the release, more detailed series that were published in the G.17 prior to December 2000, and historical data are available from the Data Download Program on the Board's website. Instructions for searching for and downloading specific series are provided as well.

## INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION

**Coverage.** The industrial production (IP) index measures the real output of all manufacturing, mining, and electric and gas utility establishments located in the United States, regardless of their ownership, but not those located in U.S. territories; the reference period for the index is 2012. Manufacturing consists of those industries included in the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) definition of manufacturing *plus* those industries—newspaper, periodical, book, and directory publishing plus logging—that have traditionally been considered to be manufacturing. For the period since 2012, the total IP index has been constructed from 299 individual series based on the 2012 NAICS codes. These individual series are classified in two ways: (1) market groups, and (2) industry groups. Market groups consist of products and materials. Total products are the aggregate of final products, such as consumer goods and equipment, and nonindustrial supplies (which are inputs to nonindustrial sectors). Materials are inputs in the manufacture of products. Major industry groups include three-digit NAICS industries and aggregates of these industries—for example, durable and nondurable manufacturing, mining, and utilities. A complete description of the market and industry structures, including details regarding series classification, relative importance weights, and data sources, is available on the Board's website ([www.federalreserve.gov/releases/G17/About.htm](http://www.federalreserve.gov/releases/G17/About.htm)).

**Source Data.** On a monthly basis, the individual indexes of industrial production are constructed from two main types of source data: (1) output measured in physical units and (2) data on inputs to the production process, from which output is inferred. Data on physical products, such as tons of steel or barrels of oil, are obtained from private trade associations and from government agencies; data of this type are used to estimate monthly IP wherever possible and appropriate. Production indexes for a few industries are derived by dividing estimated nominal output (calculated using unit production and unit values or sales) by a corresponding Fisher price index; the most notable of these fall within the high-technology grouping and include computers, communications equipment, and semiconductors. When suitable direct measures of product are not available, estimates of output are based on production-worker hours by industry. Data on hours worked by production workers are collected in the monthly establishment survey conducted by the Bureau of Labor Statistics. The factors used to convert inputs into estimates of production are based on historical relationships between the inputs and the comprehensive annual data used to benchmark the IP indexes; these factors also may be influenced by technological or cyclical developments. The annual data used in benchmarking the individual IP indexes are constructed from a variety of source data, such as the quinquennial *Censuses of Manufactures and Mineral Industries* and the *Annual Survey of Manufactures*, prepared by the Bureau of the Census; the *Minerals Yearbook*, prepared by the United States Geological Survey of the Department of the Interior; and publications of the Department of Energy.

**Aggregation Methodology and Weights.** The aggregation method for the IP index is a version of the Fisher-ideal index formula. (For a detailed discussion of the aggregation method, see the *Federal Reserve Bulletins* of February 1997 and March 2001.) In the IP index, series that measure the output of an individual industry are combined using weights derived from their proportion in the total value-added output of all industries. The IP index, which extends back to 1919, is built as a chain-type index since 1972. The current formula for the growth in monthly IP (or any of the sub-aggregates) since 1972 is

shown below. An output index for month  $m$  is denoted by  $I_m^A$  for aggregate A and  $I_m$  for each of its components. The monthly price measure in the formula ( $p_m$ ) is interpolated from an annual series of value added divided by the average annual IP index.

$$\frac{I_m^A}{I_{m-1}^A} = \sqrt{\frac{\sum I_m p_{m-1}}{\sum I_{m-1} p_{m-1}} \times \frac{\sum I_m p_m}{\sum I_{m-1} p_m}}$$

The IP proportions (typically shown in the first column of the relevant tables in the G.17 release) are estimates of the industries' relative contributions to overall growth in the following year. For example, the relative importance weight of the motor vehicles and parts industry is about 5 percent. If output in this industry increased 10 percent in a month, then this gain would boost growth in total IP by 5/10 percentage point ( $0.05 \times 10\% = 0.5\%$ ). To assist users with calculations, the Federal Reserve's website provides supplemental monthly statistics that represent the exact proportionate contribution of a monthly change in a component index to the monthly change in the total index ([www.federalreserve.gov/releases/G17/ipdisk/ipweightssa.txt](http://www.federalreserve.gov/releases/G17/ipdisk/ipweightssa.txt)).

**Timing.** The first estimate of output for a month is published around the 15th of the following month. The estimate is preliminary (denoted by the superscript "p" in tables) and subject to revision in each of the subsequent five months as new source data become available. (Revised estimates are denoted by the superscript "r" in tables.) For the first estimate of output for a given month, about 73 percent of the source data (in value-added terms) are available; the fraction of available source data increases to 83 percent for estimates in the second month that the estimate is published, 94 percent in the third month, 96 percent in the fourth month, 97 percent in the fifth month, and 98 percent in the sixth month. Data availability by data type in early 2015 is summarized in the table below:

**Availability of Monthly IP Data in Publication Window**  
(Percent of value added in 2014)

Type of data	Month of estimate					
	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th
Physical product	34	44	55	57	58	59
Production-worker hours	39	39	39	39	39	39
IP data received	73	83	94	95	97	97
IP data estimated	27	17	6	5	3	3

The physical product group includes series based on either monthly or quarterly data. As can be seen in the first row of the table, in the first month, a physical product indicator is available for about half of the series (in terms of value added) that ultimately are based on physical product data (34 percent out of a total of 59 percent). Of the 34 percent, about two-thirds (22 percent of total IP) include series that are derived from weekly physical product data and for which actual monthly data may lag up to several months. On average, quarterly product data are received for the fourth estimate of industrial production. Specifically, quarterly data are available for the third estimate of the last month of a quarter, the fourth estimate of the second month of a quarter, and the fifth estimate of the first month of a quarter.

**Seasonal Adjustment.** Individual series are seasonally adjusted using Census X-12 ARIMA. For series based on production-worker hours, the current seasonal factors were estimated with data through May 2015; for other series, the factors were estimated with data through at least March 2015. Series are pre-adjusted for the effects of holidays or business cycles when appropriate. For the data since 1972, all seasonally adjusted aggregate indexes are calculated by aggregating the seasonally adjusted indexes of the individual series.

**Reliability.** The average revision to the *level* of the total IP index, without regard to sign, between the first and the fourth estimates was

0.27 percent during the 1987–2014 period. The average revision to the *percent change* in total IP, without regard to sign, from the first to the fourth estimates was 0.21 percentage point during the 1987–2014 period. In most cases (about 86 percent), the direction of the change in output indicated by the first estimate for a given month is the same as that shown by the fourth estimate.

**Rounding.** The published percent changes are calculated from unrounded indexes, and may not be the same as percent changes calculated from the rounded indexes shown in the release.

## CAPACITY UTILIZATION

**Overview.** The Federal Reserve Board constructs estimates of capacity and capacity utilization for industries in manufacturing, mining, and electric and gas utilities. For a given industry, the capacity utilization rate is equal to an output index (seasonally adjusted) divided by a capacity index. The Federal Reserve Board's capacity indexes attempt to capture the concept of *sustainable maximum output*—the greatest level of output a plant can maintain within the framework of a realistic work schedule, after factoring in normal downtime and assuming sufficient availability of inputs to operate the capital in place.

**Coverage.** The capacity indexes cover all facilities located in the United States, regardless of their ownership, but not those located in U.S. territories. Capacity indexes are constructed for 88 detailed industries (70 in manufacturing, 16 in mining, and 2 in utilities), which mostly correspond to industries at the three- and four-digit North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) level. Estimates of capacity and utilization are available for a variety of groups, including durable and nondurable manufacturing, total manufacturing, mining, utilities, and total industry. Manufacturing consists of those industries included in the NAICS definition of manufacturing *plus* those industries—newspaper, periodical, book, and directory publishing plus logging—that have traditionally been considered to be manufacturing. Also, special aggregates are available, such as high-technology industries and manufacturing excluding high-technology industries.

**Source Data.** The monthly rates of capacity utilization are designed to be consistent with both the monthly data on production and the periodically available data on capacity and utilization. Because there is no direct monthly information on overall industrial capacity or utilization rates, the Federal Reserve first estimates annual capacity indexes from the source data. Capacity data reported in physical units from government sources (primarily from the U.S. Geological Survey and the Department of Energy's Energy Information Administration) and trade sources are available for portions of several industries in manufacturing (*e.g.*, paper, industrial chemicals, petroleum refining, motor vehicles), as well as for electric utilities and mining; these industries represent about 25 percent of total industrial capacity. When physical product data are unavailable for manufacturing industries, capacity indexes are based on responses to the Bureau of the Census's *Quarterly Survey of Plant Capacity* (QSPC); these industries account for a bit less than 70 percent of total industry capacity. In the absence of utilization data for a few mining and petroleum series, capacity is based on trends through peaks in production (roughly 5 percent of total industry capacity). A detailed description of the methodology used to construct the capacity indexes is available on the Board's website ([www.federalreserve.gov/releases/G17/Meth/MethCap.htm](http://www.federalreserve.gov/releases/G17/Meth/MethCap.htm)).

**Aggregation Methodology.** Monthly capacity aggregates are calculated in three steps: (1) utilization aggregates are calculated on an annual basis through the most recent full year as capacity-weighted aggregates of individual utilization rates; (2) the annual aggregate capacity is derived from the corresponding production and utilization aggregates; (3) the monthly capacity aggregate is obtained by interpolating the annual capacity aggregate with a Fisher index of its constituent monthly capacity series. Utilization rates for the individual series and aggregates are calculated by dividing the pertinent monthly production index by the related capacity index.

**Consistency.** A major aim is that the Federal Reserve utilization rates be consistent over time so that, for example, a rate of 85 percent means about the same degree of tightness that it meant in the past. A major task for the Federal Reserve in developing reasonable and

consistent time series of capacity and utilization is dealing with inconsistencies between the movements of the industrial production index and the survey-based utilization rates. The McGraw-Hill/DRI Survey, now discontinued, was the primary source of manufacturing utilization rates for many years. This was a survey of large companies that reported, on average, higher utilization rates than those reported by establishments covered by the Census Bureau's annual *Survey of Plant Capacity* (the predecessor to the QSPC) for the fourteen years they overlapped. Adjustments have been made to keep the industry utilization rates currently reported by the Federal Reserve roughly in line with rates formerly reported by McGraw-Hill. As a consequence, the rates reported by the Federal Reserve tend to be higher than the rates reported in the QSPC.

**Perspective.** Over the 1972–2014 period, the average total industry utilization rate is 80.1 percent; for manufacturing, the average factory operating rate has been 78.5 percent. Industrial plants usually operate at capacity utilization rates that are well below 100 percent: none of the broad aggregates has ever reached 100 percent. For total industry and total manufacturing, utilization rates have exceeded 90 percent only in wartime. The highs and lows in capacity utilization are specific to each series and do not all occur in the same month.

## REFERENCES AND RELEASE DATES

**References.** The release for the annual revision that was published on July 21, 2015, is available on the Board's website ([www.federalreserve.gov/releases/g17/revisions/Current/DefaultRev.htm](http://www.federalreserve.gov/releases/g17/revisions/Current/DefaultRev.htm)). A summary of the annual revision that incorporated back to 1972 production and capacity indexes reclassified according to the North American Industry Classification System is available in an article in the *Federal Reserve Bulletin*, vol. 89 (April 2003), pp. 151–176. A description of the aggregation methods for industrial production and capacity utilization is included in an article in the *Federal Reserve Bulletin*, vol. 83 (February 1997), pp. 67–92. The Federal Reserve methodology for constructing industry-level measures of capital is detailed in "Capital Stock Estimates for Manufacturing Industries: Methods and Data" by Mike Mohr and Charles Gilbert (1996), which can be obtained at: [www.federalreserve.gov/releases/g17/CapitalStockDocLatest.pdf](http://www.federalreserve.gov/releases/g17/CapitalStockDocLatest.pdf).

*Industrial Production—1986 Edition* contains a more detailed description of the other methods used to compile the industrial production index, plus a history of its development, a glossary of terms, and a bibliography. The major revisions to the IP indexes and capacity utilization since 1990 have been described in the *Federal Reserve Bulletin* (April 1990, June 1990, June 1993, March 1994, January 1995, January 1996, February 1997, February 1998, January 1999, March 2000, March 2001, March 2002, April 2003, Winter 2004, Winter 2005, March 2006, May 2007, August 2008, August 2009) or in online staff studies ([www.federalreserve.gov/releases/g17/articles/rev2010/industrial10.pdf](http://www.federalreserve.gov/releases/g17/articles/rev2010/industrial10.pdf), [www.federalreserve.gov/releases/g17/articles/rev2012/industrial12.pdf](http://www.federalreserve.gov/releases/g17/articles/rev2012/industrial12.pdf), [www.federalreserve.gov/releases/g17/articles/rev2013/industrial13.pdf](http://www.federalreserve.gov/releases/g17/articles/rev2013/industrial13.pdf)).

## Release Schedule

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