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# Full Report on Manufacturers' Shipments, Inventories and Orders August 2015

# **Summary**

New orders for manufactured goods in August, down following two consecutive monthly increases, decreased \$8.2 billion or 1.7 percent to \$473.0 billion, the U.S. Census Bureau reported today. This followed a 0.2 percent July increase.

Shipments, down four of the last five months, decreased \$3.2 billion or 0.7 percent to \$480.1 billion. This followed a 0.2 percent July decrease.

Unfilled orders, down following two consecutive monthly increases, decreased \$2.4 billion or 0.2 percent to \$1,195.0 billion. This followed a 0.2 percent July increase. The unfilled orders-to-shipments ratio was 6.87, down from 6.89 in July.

Inventories, down two consecutive months, decreased \$1.6 billion or 0.3 percent to \$648.4 billion. This followed a 0.3 percent July decrease. The inventories-to-shipments ratio was 1.35, up from 1.34 in July.

#### **New Orders**

New orders for manufactured durable goods in August, down following two consecutive monthly increases, decreased \$5.5 billion or 2.3 percent to \$235.5 billion, down from the previously published 2.0 percent decrease. This followed a 1.9 percent July increase.

Transportation equipment, also down following two consecutive monthly increases, led the decrease, \$5.1 billion or 6.2 percent to \$78.3 billion.

New orders for manufactured nondurable goods decreased \$2.7 billion or 1.1 percent to \$237.5 billion.

#### **Shipments**

Shipments of manufactured durable goods in August, down following two consecutive monthly increases, decreased \$0.5 billion or 0.2 percent to \$242.7 billion, down from the previously published virtually unchanged decrease. This followed a 1.0 percent July increase.

Transportation equipment, also down following two consecutive monthly increases, led the decrease, \$0.3 billion or 0.3 percent to \$80.6 billion.

Shipments of manufactured nondurable goods, down two consecutive months, decreased \$2.7 billion or 1.1 percent to \$237.5 billion. This followed a 1.4 percent July decrease. Petroleum and coal products, also down two consecutive months, drove the decrease, \$2.7 billion or 5.6 percent to \$45.8 billion.

#### **Unfilled Orders**

Unfilled orders for manufactured durable goods in August, down following two consecutive monthly increases, decreased \$2.4 billion or 0.2 percent to \$1,195.0 billion, virtually unchanged from the previously published decrease. This followed a 0.2 percent July increase.

Transportation equipment, also down following two consecutive monthly increases, led the decrease, \$2.2 billion or 0.3 percent to \$800.1 billion.

#### **Inventories**

Inventories of manufactured durable goods in August, down three of the last four months, decreased \$0.1 billion or virtually unchanged to \$401.2 billion, down from the previously published virtually unchanged increase. This followed a 0.2 percent July decrease.

Primary metals, down seven consecutive months, drove the decrease, \$0.5 billion or 1.3 percent to \$36.5 billion.

Inventories of manufactured nondurable goods, down two consecutive months, decreased \$1.5 billion or 0.6 percent to \$247.2 billion. This followed a 0.4 percent July decrease. Petroleum and coal products, also down two consecutive months, drove the decrease, \$1.8 billion or 4.9 percent to \$34.7 billion.

By stage of fabrication, August materials and supplies increased 0.1 percent in durable goods and decreased 0.8 percent in nondurable goods. Work in process increased 0.2 percent in durable goods and decreased 0.5 percent in nondurable goods. Finished goods decreased 0.5 percent in durable goods and decreased 0.5 percent in nondurable goods.

Figures in text are adjusted for seasonality, but not for inflation. Figures on new and unfilled orders exclude data for semiconductor manufacturing. For data, call (301) 763-4673 or go to www.census.gov/m3. The Advance Report on durable goods for September is scheduled for release on October 27, 2015 at 8:30 a.m. EDT and the Full Report on November 3, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. EST. See back page for survey description. To receive the latest updates on the Nation's key economic indicators, download the America's Economy app for Apple and Android smartphones and tablets. To learn more about this release and the other indicators the U.S. Census Bureau publishes, join us for the Investigating Economic Indicators Webinar Series. For more information, visit www.census.gov/econ/webinar.

"Virtually unchanged" indicates that the change is less than 0.05 percent for a percent increase or decrease.

Table 1. Value of Manufacturers' Shipments for Industry Groups<sup>1</sup>

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		Monthly		r e	cent Cha	inge		Mo	nthly			Year to date		
Industry	Aug. 2015 <sup>p</sup>	July 2015 <sup>r</sup>	June 2015	July - Aug.	June - July	May - June	Aug. 2015 <sup>p</sup>	July 2015 <sup>r</sup>	June 2015	Aug. 2014	2015 <sup>p</sup>	2014	% Change 2015/ 2014	
All manufacturing industries	480,143	483,362	484,363	-0.7		0.6	490,105	472,386	513,644	517,184	3,838,548	3,998,480		
Excluding transportation	399,577	402,521	405,906	-0.7			408,890	402,289	427,305	442,586	3,224,798	3,430,864		
Excluding defense	467,771	470,412	471,504	-0.6			477,957	460,917	499,554	505,263	3,744,750	3,906,028		
With unfilled orders	173,860	173,814	172,730	0.0	0.6		175,682	164,588	189,152	174,024	1,368,106	1,330,756	2.8	
Durable goods industries	242,677	243,200	240,911	-0.2	1.0	0.9	246,383	230,210	262,452	244,369	1,908,853	1,866,212	2.3	
Wood products	8,136	8,084	7,916	0.6	2.1	1.8	8,715	8,568	8,842	8,851	65,120	65,495	-0.6	
Nonmetallic mineral products	9,690	9,799	9,642	-1.1	1.6	1.6	10,607	10,544	10,587	10,762	77,441	76,724	0.9	
Primary metals	20,448	20,710	21,117	-1.3			20,992	20,460	22,000	24,449	173,703	186,890		
Iron and steel mills  Aluminum and nonferrous metals	9,524 9,291	9,662 9,440	9,817 9,697	-1.4 -1.6		-1.7 -0.5	9,775 9,566	9,552 9,354	10,151 10,044	12,090 10,698	80,849 79,775	93,625 80,069	-13.6 -0.4	
Ferrous metal foundries	1,633	1,608	1,603	1.6			1,651	1,554	1,805	1,661	13,079	13,196		
Fabricated metal products	29,791	29,822	29,895	-0.1		0.0	31,094	29,634	31,881	31,799	240,365	239,284	0.5	
Machinery	33,795	33,656	33,943	0.4			33,170	32,656	37,041	34,988	267,151	271,161	-1.5	
Farm machinery	1,843	1,700	1,765	8.4		9.0	1,710	1,591	1,754	3,420	14,179	24,502		
Construction machinery Mining, oil field, and	3,627	3,647	3,609	-0.5	1.1	-1.6	3,251	3,415	3,596	2,801	29,028	21,870	32.7	
gas field machinery	1,588	1,693	1,735	-6.2	-2.4	-2.1	1,583	1,611	1,851	2,775	14,750	22,110	-33.3	
Industrial machinery	2,897	2,960	3,213	-2.1			2,759	2,824	3,576	2,893	21,704	23,274		
Photographic equipment	528	538	549	-1.9	-2.0	4.2	518	502	587	571	4,100	4,433	-7.5	
Ventilation, heating, air-conditioning,													l	
and refrigeration equipment	3,944 3,241	3,966 3,234	3,904	-0.6			4,098	4,423 3,164	4,993	4,093	32,113 22,859			
Metalworking machinery Turbines, generators, and other	3,241	3,234	2,981	0.2	0.5	-0.7	3,259	3,104	3,273	2,497	22,059	20,052	14.0	
power transmission equipment	4,049	3,893	4,177	4.0	-6.8	2.0	4,081	3,775	4,341	4,219	32,941	30,474	8.1	
Material handling equipment	2,709	2,692	2,606	0.6			2,806	2,663	2,694	2,504	20,196	19,127	5.6	
Computers and electronic products <sup>2</sup>	29,382	29,177	29,269	0.7	-0.3	-0.2	29,484	27,954	32,998	28,087	226,647	221,586		
Computers	674	710	699	-5.1			642	623	978	610	5,251	5,694		
Computer storage devices	462	479	475	-3.5			368	286	790	440		4,550		
Other peripheral equipment  Nondefense communications	891	952	994	-6.4	-4.2	4.3	708	752	1,463	776	7,280	7,109	2.4	
equipment	3,277	3,381	3,410	-3.1	-0.9	2.8	3,231	2,957	4,254	3,180	25,988	25,242	3.0	
Defense communications equipment	304	313	283	-2.9			287	293	270	350	2,625	2,959	-11.3	
Audio and video equipment	250	247	249	1.2	-0.8		245	230	241	312	1,748	2,392		
Electronic components	4,816	4,863	4,786	-1.0	1.6	3.6	5,117	5,067	5,453	4,002	36,542	29,359	24.5	
Nondefense search and navigation equipment	1,388	1,357	1,351	2.3	0.4	-1.0	1,401	1,198	1,518	1,220	10,376	9,549	8.7	
Defense search and navigation	1,300	1,337	1,331	2.3	0.4	-1.0	1,401	1,190	1,510	1,220	10,370	9,549	0.7	
equipment	2,780	2,795	2,733	-0.5	2.3	1.2	2,808	2,496	2,932	2,726	20,716	20,153	2.8	
Electromedical, measuring,														
and control instruments	9,582	9,433	9,259	1.6	1.9	0.8	9,153	8,584	10,788	8,534	72,418	68,377	5.9	
Electrical equipment, appliances,	10 175	10 270	10 201	2.0	17	0.0	10,389	10.070	11 120	10,944	92.266	92.024	0.7	
and components  Electric lighting equipment	10,175 1,000	10,378 1,004	10,201 960	-2.0 -0.4			1,029	10,078 983	11,139 964	983	82,366 7,529	82,931 7,693	-0.7 -2.1	
Household appliances	1,600	1,619	1,609	-1.2			1,595	1,552	1,736	1,773	12,934	13,683	-5.5	
Electrical equipment	3,108	3,216	3,094	-3.4			3,152	3,080	3,599	3,346	25,656	26,428		
Batteries	826	840	875	-1.7			827	749	891	930	6,433	6,729	-4.4	
Transportation equipment Automobiles	80,566 8,804	80,841 8,935	78,457 9,013	-0.3 -1.5			81,215 8,936	70,097 7,292	86,339 9,787	74,598 8,826	613,750 69,982	567,616 65,479		
Light trucks and utility vehicles	14,049	14,689	13,399	-1.5 -4.4			14,679	11,979	14,470	12,588	104,788	97,042		
Heavy duty trucks	3,079	3,203	3,146	-3.9			3,102	3,186	3,488	2,821	24,882	20,621	20.7	
Motor vehicle bodies, parts,										-				
and trailers	26,860	26,844	25,745	0.1			27,674	24,014	27,512	24,507	207,006			
Nondefense aircraft and parts	15,372	13,916	14,180	10.5			14,643	12,110	16,696	12,944 4,493	110,205	95,449		
Defense aircraft and parts Ships and boats	5,069 2,742	5,279 2,844	5,440 2,857	-4.0 -3.6			4,891 2,683	4,505 2,597	6,144 3,131	2,771	36,692 21,972	36,561 22,735	0.4 -3.4	
Furniture and related products	6,412	6,471	6,373	-0.9			6,895	6,646	6,561	6,520	50,620			
Miscellaneous durable goods	14,282	14,262	14,098	0.1	1.2	0.9	13,822	13,573	15,064	13,371	111,690	107,107	4.3	
Nondurable goods industries	237,466	240,162	243,452	-1.1	-1.4	0.4	243,722	242,176	251,192	272,815	1,929,695	2,132,268	-9.5	
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Food products	65,989	66,025	65,873	-0.1			66,565	63,642	65,155	67,948	521,206			
Grain and oilseed milling  Dairy products	8,318 9,919		8,270 9,939	-0.8 0.2		-1.9 -0.7	8,473 10,111	8,016 9,881	7,845 9,929	8,245 11,057	64,270 79,045	64,814 85,697	-0.8 -7.8	
Meat, poultry, and seafood products	18,800	18,969	18,983	-0.9		-0.9	19,049	18,684	19,384	20,494	152,996	157,487	-2.9	
Beverage and tobacco products	12,651	12,442	12,490	1.7		-0.1	13,052	12,650	13,275	12,708	99,594	98,259		
Beverages	8,999	8,950	8,886	0.5		-0.4	9,400	9,158	9,671	9,248	71,372	71,905		
Tobacco	3,652	3,492	3,604	4.6		0.6	3,652	3,492	3,604	3,460	28,222	26,354	7.1	
Textile mills  Textile products	2,544 1,932	2,559 1,935	2,573 1,902	-0.6 -0.2		1.7 0.5	2,657 2,034	2,576 1,978	2,727 2,055	2,726 2,008	20,761 15,608	21,302 15,379		
Apparel	1,932	1,935	1,902	1.8			1,281	1,978	2,055 1,070	2,008 1,167	8,763	8,261	6.1	
Leather and allied products	468	463	460	1.1	0.7	-0.6	470	449	483	470	3,720	3,648	2.0	
Paper products	16,122	16,075	15,977	0.3			16,568	16,404	16,544	16,985	129,024	128,937	0.1	
Pulp, paper, and paperboard mills	7,117	7,096	7,062	0.3			7,358	7,237	7,227	7,307	57,123	56,248		
Paperboard containers	5,225	5,200	5,210	0.5		-0.2	5,402	5,468 7,072	5,505	5,920	41,969	43,017 54,697	-2.4	
Printing  Petroleum and coal products	7,242 45,813	7,350 48,530	7,263 52,591	-1.5 -5.6		1.1 0.6	7,277 49,333	7,072 52,312	7,129 54,775	7,049 75,670	56,668 403,296	54,697 585,569	3.6 -31.1	
Petroleum refineries	42,188	44,834	49,036	-5.9			45,028	47,991	50,644	70,647	373,508	553,079		
Chemical products	64,298	64,339	63,855	-0.1			64,712	64,327	67,271	65,855	515,664	530,592	-2.8	
Pesticides, fertilizers, and other				l .	_									
agricultural chemicals	5,013	4,939	4,693	1.5			4,080	4,132	4,999	3,288	41,334	35,894		
Pharmaceuticals and medicines Paints, coatings, and adhesives	16,565 3,362	16,534 3,294	15,753 3,249	0.2 2.1		2.5 -2.0	16,812 3,532	16,670 3,588	16,513 3,593	14,271 3,402	124,208 27,328	117,245 26,810		
Plastics and rubber products	19,232	19,290	19,341	-0.3		-2.0 1.1	19,773	19,599	20,708	20,229	155,391	158,038	-1.7	
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Preliminary Revised data due to late receipts and concurrent seasonal adjustment.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Estimates of shipments and new orders are for the duration of the period, while estimates of unfilled orders and total inventories are for the end of the period. Not seasonally adjusted estimates of shipments and new orders include adjusted data for non-calendar reporters. Seasonally adjusted estimates include concurrent adjustments for holiday and trading-day differences, where appropriate, as well as seasonal variation, based on the results of the latest annual review of the model parameters. Estimates are not adjusted for price changes.

See note at end of Table 2 relating to survey error and revision.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Estimates and percent changes of shipments for the semiconductor industry are included in computers and electronic products, and all other applicable aggregate totals.

Table 2. Value of Manufacturers' New Orders for Industry Groups<sup>1</sup>

[Estimates are shown in millions of do			Seasonally				Not Seasonally Adjusted							
		Monthly		Per	cent Chan	ge		Mon	thly		١	ear to date		
Industry	Aug. 2015 <sup>p</sup>	July 2015 <sup>r</sup>	June 2015	July - Aug.	June - July	May - June	Aug. 2015 <sup>p</sup>	July 2015 <sup>r</sup>	June 2015	Aug. 2014	2015 <sup>p</sup>	2014	% Change 2015/ 2014	
All manufacturing industries <sup>2</sup>	472,989	481,206	480,063	-1.7	0.2	2.2	473,193	469,006	510,706	507,622	3,771,182	4,064,510	-7.2	
Excluding transportation <sup>2</sup>	394,667	397,742	400,478	-0.8	-0.7	0.6	400,099	395,455	420,570	434,712	3,185,620	3,415,893	-6.7	
Excluding defense <sup>2</sup>	461,974	467,585	469,062	-1.2	-0.3	2.2	465,014	457,644	495,834	499,673	3,687,817	3,968,267	-7.1	
With unfilled orders <sup>2</sup>	171,414	176,054	173,252	-2.6	1.6		164,014	166,449	190,317	170,198	1,339,248	1,441,527	-7.1	
Durable goods industries <sup>2</sup>	235,523	241,044	236,611	-2.3	1.9	4.1	229,471	226,830	259,514	234,807	1,841,487	1,932,242	-4.7	
Primary metals	20,494	20,513	20,985	-0.1	-2.2	-2.6	20,373	20,073	21,775	23,160	172,617	188,551	-8.5	
Iron and steel mills	9,623	9,470	9,691	1.6	-2.3	-5.7	9,423	9,200	10,096	10,959	80,626	94,466	-14.7	
Aluminum and nonferrous metals	9,289	9,444	9,597	-1.6	-1.6		9,395	9,266	9,878	10,534	79,067	80,593	-1.9	
Ferrous metal foundries	1,582	1,599	1,697	-1.1	-5.8		1,555	1,607	1,801	1,667	12,924	13,492	-4.2	
Fabricated metal products	29,337	29,879	30,294	-1.8	-1.4	2.0	29,989	29,780	31,578	31,417	240,970	244,851	-1.6	
Machinery	33,406	33,140	32,658	0.8	1.5	2.4	32,339	31,721	34,993	34,689	261,020	284,642	-8.3	
Construction machinery Mining, oil field, and	3,560	3,361	3,261	5.9	3.1	1.7	3,336	2,797	3,056	3,210	25,872	24,442	5.9	
gas field machinery	1,440	1,412	1,377	2.0	2.5	3.5	1,352	1,377	1,637	2,839	13,159	22,940	-42.6	
Industrial machinery	2,959	2,945	3,021	0.5	-2.5	3.7	2,689	2,781	3,418	2,475	21,335	23,975	-11.0	
Photographic equipmentVentilation, heating, air-conditioning,	541	535	459	1.1	16.6	-4.0	545	529	408	600	4,262	4,497	-5.2	
and refrigeration equipment	3,937	3,969	3,940	-0.8	0.7	0.4	3,902	4,186	4,898	4,235	32,058	32,692	-1.9	
Metalworking machinery	3,203	3,122	2,848	2.6	9.6		3,161	3,069	3,042	2,701	22,663	20,424	11.0	
Turbines, generators, and other	3,203	5,122	2,040	2.0	3.0	-2.1	3,101	3,003	3,042	2,701	22,003	20,727	11.0	
power transmission equipment	3,819	3,696	3,758	3.3	-1.6	1.7	3,719	3,609	4,083	3,254	30,059	34,267	-12.3	
Material handling equipment	2,627	2,905	2,977	-9.6	-2.4	6.2	2,585	2,723	3,028	2,673	21,367	20.343	5.0	
Computers and electronic products <sup>2</sup>	25,148	25,280	25,026	-0.5	1.0	0.9	23,801	23,068	28,867	22,709	193,721	183,184	5.8	
Computers	664	671	763	-1.0	-12.1	25.3	632	584	1,042	655	5,359	6,011	-10.8	
Nondefense communications	004	071	703	-1.0	-12.1	23.3	032	304	1,042	033	3,339	0,011	-10.6	
equipment	3,481	3,726	3,733	-6.6	-0.2	5.2	3.232	3,296	4,055	3,605	28.538	29.081	-1.9	
Defense communications equipment	295	358	286	-17.6	25.2	-14.9		330	301	441	2,735	2,748	-0.5	
Electronic components	4,759	4,844	4,800	-1.8	0.9	3.1	5,130	5,095	5,383	4,073	36,969	29,671	24.6	
Nondefense search and navigation	4,700	4,044	4,000	1.0	0.0	0.1	0,100	0,000	0,000	4,070	00,000	20,071	24.0	
equipment	1,682	1,598	1,534	5.3	4.2	-2.8	1,631	1,443	1,794	1,456	12,664	12,012	5.4	
Defense search and navigation	.,	1,000	.,				.,	.,	.,	.,	,	,	-	
equipment	2,708	2,790	2,489	-2.9	12.1	-4.2	2,422	2,377	2,785	2,317	19,834	19,252	3.0	
Electromedical, measuring,		,						·	,		,			
and control instruments	9,706	9,364	9,495	3.7	-1.4	-0.6	8,876	8,448	10,805	8,433	73,399	68,897	6.5	
Electrical equipment, appliances,														
and components	10,187	10,232	10,107	-0.4	1.2	1.3	10,270	9,509	11,188	10,904	82,185	84,978	-3.3	
Electric lighting equipment	994	1,004	948	-1.0	5.9	0.6	1,009	985	976	979	7,534	7,712	-2.3	
Household appliances	1,503	1,517	1,603	-0.9	-5.4	0.3	1,450	1,444	1,661	1,735	12,821	13,721	-6.6	
Electrical equipment	3,190	3,291	3,158	-3.1	4.2	-1.0	3,155	3,164	3,652	3,320	26,333	27,117	-2.9	
Transportation equipment  Motor vehicle bodies, parts,	78,322	83,464	79,585	-6.2	4.9	10.8	73,094	73,551	90,136	72,910	585,562	648,617	-9.7	
and trailers	26,832	26,933	25,711	-0.4	4.8	1.2	27,707	23,585	27,069	24,980	206,039	188,497	9.3	
Nondefense aircraft and parts	15,105	16,051	17,568	-5.9	-8.6			16,238	20,556	14,211	94,648	169,536	-44.2	
Defense aircraft and parts	4,580	4,356	5,081	5.1	-14.3		3,163	3,331	6,655	2,745	29,870	34,405	-13.2	
Ships and boats	2,426	3,342	2,786	-27.4	20.0	28.0	2,021	2,738	3,316	2,057	19,201	30,641	-37.3	
Furniture and related products	6,538	6,382	6,291	2.4	1.4	0.3	6,478	6,434	6,475	6,039	51,150	48,141	6.3	
Nondurable goods industries	237,466	240,162	243,452	-1.1	-1.4	0.4	243,722	242,176	251,192	272,815	1,929,695	2,132,268	-9.5	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>p</sup> Preliminary Revised data due to late receipts and concurrent seasonal adjustment.

Note: Estimates of manufacturers' shipments, inventories and orders are subject to survey error and revision. One major component of survey error is nonsampling error, which includes errors of coverage, response, and nonreporting. Since the survey panel is not a probability sample, estimates of sampling error cannot be calculated. For further details on survey design, methodology, and data limitations see <a href="http://www.census.gov/manufacturing/m3/">http://www.census.gov/manufacturing/m3/</a>>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Estimates of shipments and new orders are for the duration of the period, while estimates of unfilled orders and total inventories are for the end of the period. Not seasonally adjusted estimates of shipments and new orders include adjusted data for non-calendar reporters. Seasonally adjusted estimates include concurrent adjustments for holiday and trading-day differences, where appropriate, as well as seasonal variation, based on the results of the latest annual review of the model parameters. Estimates are not adjusted for price changes.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Data on new orders are not available for the semiconductor industry. Estimates and percent changes for new orders exclude semiconductor industry data.

Table 3. Value of Manufacturers' Unfilled Orders for Industry Groups<sup>1</sup>

Estimates are shown in millions of do	liais aliu ai		Seasonally A		icturers c	mpments	, inventorie		easonally Adj	iustod	
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Industry	Aug.	July	June	July -	June -	May -	Aug.	July	June	Aug.	August 2015/
			2015			June			2015	2014	2013/
	2015 <sup>p</sup>	2015 <sup>r</sup>	2015	Aug.	July	June	2015 <sup>p</sup>	2015 <sup>r</sup>	2015	2014	2014
All manufacturing industries <sup>2</sup>	1,195,011	1,197,457	1,195,217	-0.2	0.2	0.0	1,186,044	1,197,712	1,195,851	1,200,582	-1.2
Excluding transportation <sup>2</sup>	394,873	395,075	395,458	-0.1	-0.1	-0.2	393,479	397,026	398,619	395,156	-0.4
Excluding defense <sup>2</sup>	1,013,097	1,014,186	1,012,617	-0.1	0.2	0.2	1,005,443	1,013,142	1,011,174	1,006,367	-0.1
Durable goods industries <sup>2</sup>	1,195,011	1,197,457	1,195,217	-0.2	0.2	0.0	1,186,044	1,197,712	1,195,851	1,200,582	-1.2
Primary metals	35,567	35,521	35,718	0.1	-0.6	-0.4	35,096	35,715	36,102	36,247	-3.2
Iron and steel mills	18,360	18,261	18,453	0.5	-1.0	-0.7	18,161	18,513	18,865	19,300	-5.9
Aluminum and nonferrous metals	12,165	12,167	12,163	0.0	0.0	-0.8	11,925	12,096	12,184	11,921	0.0
Ferrous metal foundries	5,042	5,093	5,102	-1.0	-0.2	1.9	5,010	5,106	5,053	5,026	-0.3
Fabricated metal products	81,859	82,313	82,256	-0.6	0.1	0.5	82,431	83,536	83,390	83,216	-0.9
Machinery	111,474	111,863	112,379	-0.3	-0.5	-1.1	111,048	111,879	112,814	121,551	-8.6
Construction machinery Mining, oil field, and	6,181	6,248	6,534	-1.1	-4.4	-5.1	5,986	5,901	6,519	9,361	-36.1
gas field machinery	9,460	9,608	9,889	-1.5	-2.8	-3.5	9,548	9,779	10,013	12,845	-25.7
Industrial machinery	8,471	8,409	8,424	0.7	-0.2	-2.2	8,471	8,541	8,584	9,732	-13.0
Photographic equipment	1,606		1,596	0.8	-0.2	-5.3	1,636	1,609	1,582	1,769	-7.5
Ventilation, heating, air-conditioning,	1,000	1,000	1,000	0.0	0.2	0.0	1,000	1,000	1,002	1,700	7.0
and refrigeration equipment	7,643	7,650	7,647	-0.1	0.0	0.5	7,325	7,521	7,758	6,928	5.7
Metalworking machinery	6,690	6,728	6,840	-0.6	-1.6	-1.9	6,626	6,724	6,819	7,692	-13.9
Turbines, generators, and other	-,	-,	-,-			_	-,-	- ,	-,-	,	
power transmission equipment	32,117	32,347	32,544	-0.7	-0.6	-1.3	32,063	32,425	32,591	35,708	-10.2
Material handling equipment	11,957	12,039	11,826	-0.7	1.8	3.2	11,921	12,142	12,082	10,208	16.8
Computers and electronic products <sup>2</sup>	134,854	134,380	133,881	0.4	0.4	0.4	134,097	134,536	134,181	124,422	7.8
Computers	2,580	2,590	2,629	-0.4	-1.5	2.5	2,580	2,590	2,629	2,306	11.9
Nondefense communications	_,,,,,	_,	_,				_,,	_,,	_,	_,	
equipment	36,559	36,355	36,010	0.6	1.0	0.9	36,303	36,302	35,963	31,992	13.5
Defense communications equipment	2,981	2,990	2,945	-0.3	1.5	0.1	3,002	3,012	2,975	3,096	-3.0
Electronic components  Nondefense search and navigation	10,933	10,990	11,009	-0.5	-0.2	0.1	11,026	11,013	10,985	10,691	3.1
equipment	19,715	19,421	19,180	1.5	1.3	1.0	19,803	19,573	19,328	16,583	19.4
Defense search and navigation equipment	32,342	32,414	32,419	-0.2	0.0	-0.7	32,017	32,403	32,522	32,473	-1.4
Electromedical, measuring,											
and control instruments	29,744	29,620	29,689	0.4	-0.2	0.8	29,366	29,643	29,779	27,281	7.6
Electrical equipment, appliances, and components	22,546	22,534	22,680	0.1	-0.6	-0.4	22,378	22,497	23,066	21,903	2.2
Electric lighting equipment	1,097	1,103	1,103	-0.5	0.0	-0.4	1,111	1,131	1,129	1,121	-0.9
Household appliances	1,487	1,584	1,686	-6.1	-6.0	-0.4	1,411	1,151	1,664	1,324	6.6
Electrical equipment	9,759		9,602	0.8	0.8	0.7	9,779	9,776	9,692	8,879	10.1
Transportation equipment	800,138	802,382	799,759	-0.3	0.3	0.7	792,565	800,686	797,232	805,426	-1.6
Motor vehicle bodies, parts,	000,130	002,302	733,733	-0.5	0.5	0.1	732,303	000,000	131,232	003,420	-1.0
and trailers	21.678	21,706	21.617	-0.1	0.4	-0.2	21.063	21.030	21,459	19.985	5.4
Nondefense aircraft and parts	614,094	614,361	612,226	0.0	0.4	0.6	608,219	612,182	608,054	609,372	-0.2
Defense aircraft and parts	63,768	64,257	65,180	-0.8	-1.4	-0.5	62,567	64,295	65,469	68,429	-8.6
Ships and boats	28,159	28,475	27,977	-1.1	1.8	-0.3	28.182	28,844	28,703	34,579	-18.5
Furniture and related products	7,723	7,597	7,686	1.7	-1.2	-1.1	7,579	7,996	8,208	7,070	7.2
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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>p</sup> Preliminary r Revised data due to late receipts and concurrent seasonal adjustment.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Data on unfilled orders are not available for the semiconductor industry. Estimates and percent changes for unfilled orders exclude semiconductor industry data. See note at end of Table 2 relating to survey error and revision.

Table 4. Value of Manufacturers' Inventories for Industry Groups<sup>1</sup>

			Seasonally A	djusted								
		Monthly		Pe	rcent Chan	cent Change			Monthly			
Industry	Aug. 2015 <sup>p</sup>	July 2015 <sup>r</sup>	June 2015	July - Aug.	June - July	May - June	Aug. 2015 <sup>p</sup>	July 2015 <sup>r</sup>	June 2015	Aug. 2014	August 2015/ 2014	
All manufacturing industries	648,385	650,029	651,751	-0.3	-0.3	0.3	652,649	653,831	648,233	659,281	-1.0	
Excluding transportation	515,862	518,367	519,911	-0.5	-0.3	0.0	519,549	521,092	517,632	533,891	-2.7	
Excluding defense With unfilled orders	619,675 327,630	622,121 327,646	624,091 328,086	-0.4 0.0	-0.3 -0.1	0.2 0.4	623,942 330,324	625,689 330,715	620,551 326,450	633,767 323,172	-1.6 2.2	
Durable goods industries	401,173	401,297						·	399.493		2.5	
ů	- , -	·	402,145	0.0	-0.2	0.4	404,011	404,258	,	394,305		
Wood products  Nonmetallic mineral products	11,219 12,962	11,261 13,020	11,267 13,098	-0.4 -0.4	-0.1	0.3 -0.5	11,105 12,910	11,097 13,037	11,047	10,535 12,686	5.4 1.8	
Primary metals	36,521	36,991	37,313	-0.4	-0.6 -0.9	-0.5 -1.2	36,611	36,973	13,252 36,981	38,738	-5.5	
Iron and steel mills	21,000	21,349	21,611	-1.6	-1.2	-1.1	21,009	21,258	21,370	22,870	-8.1	
Aluminum and nonferrous metals  Ferrous metal foundries	13,522 1,999	13,631 2,011	13,683 2,019	-0.8 -0.6	-0.4 -0.4	-1.6 1.2	13,598 2,004	13,714 2,001	13,616	13,886 1,982	-2.1 1.1	
Fabricated metal products	48,940	48,950	49,125	0.0	-0.4	0.1	49,029	49,365	1,995 49,137	48,439	1.1	
Machinery	66,519	66,675	66,879	-0.2	-0.3	-0.1	67,345	67,264	66,437	67,102	0.4	
Farm machinery	3,232	3,287	3,322	-1.7	-1.1	-1.6	3,139	3,284	3,412	3,768	-16.7	
Construction machinery Mining, oil field,	7,154	7,221	7,311	-0.9	-1.2	1.0	7,116	7,189	7,330	5,306	34.1	
and gas field machinery	5,433	5,466	5,489	-0.6	-0.4	-4.0	5,536	5,545	5,545	7,088	-21.9	
Industrial machinery	6,086	5,990	6,040	1.6	-0.8	0.9	6,138	5,929	6,037	6,401	-4.1	
Photographic equipmentVentilation, heating, air-conditioning,	1,378	1,368	1,380	0.7	-0.9	-0.5	1,434	1,396	1,354	1,414	1.4	
and refrigeration equipment	5,305	5,319	5,389	-0.3	-1.3	0.7	5,372	5,424	5,440	5,208	3.1	
Metalworking machinery	5,592	5,593	5,644	0.0	-0.9	-0.2	5,700	5,662	5,653	5,488	3.9	
Turbines, generators, and other power transmission equipment	9,975	10,033	10,014	-0.6	0.2	-0.2	10,367	10,249	9,591	10,651	-2.7	
Material handling equipment	4,216	4,183	4,150	0.8	0.2	0.7	4,339	4,303	4,173	4,022	7.9	
Computers and electronic products <sup>2</sup>	45,726	46,019	46,055	-0.6	-0.1	0.4	46,500	46,486	45,467	45,112	3.1	
Computers	1,116	1,209	1,280	-7.7	-5.5	6.7	1,184	1,277	1,278	1,174	0.9	
Computer storage devices  Other peripheral equipment	1,401 1,122	1,438 1,191	1,510 1,259	-2.6 -5.8	-4.8 -5.4	-0.4 -1.5	1,467 1,159	1,474 1,213	1,431 1,225	1,551 1,391	-5.4 -16.7	
Nondefense communications	.,	1,101	1,200	0.0	0		1,100	1,210	1,220	.,00.		
equipment	4,738	4,765	4,783	-0.6	-0.4	-2.8	4,812	4,745	4,693	5,282	-8.9	
Defense communications equipment  Audio and video equipment	845 772	843 785	831 829	0.2 -1.7	1.4 -5.3	2.2 3.4	845 824	843 794	831 768	857 765	-1.4 7.7	
Electronic components	8,217	8,283	8,199	-0.8	1.0	1.3	8,229	8,345	8,065	7,398	11.2	
Nondefense search and navigation												
equipment  Defense search and navigation	3,503	3,487	3,455	0.5	0.9	1.5	3,560	3,527	3,413	3,289	8.2	
equipment	3,234	3,186	3,110	1.5	2.4	-0.2	3,253	3,265	3,119	2,772	17.4	
Electromedical, measuring												
and control instruments  Electrical equipment, appliances,	14,427	14,468	14,469	-0.3	0.0	-0.4	14,850	14,674	14,331	15,026	-1.2	
and components	16,657	16,639	16,591	0.1	0.3	0.3	16,865	16,902	16,639	16,774	0.5	
Electric lighting equipment	1,848	1,834	1,828	0.8	0.3	0.8	1,878	1,891	1,836	1,887	-0.5	
Household appliances  Electrical equipment	2,083 4,996	2,078 5,016	2,067 5,048	0.2 -0.4	0.5 -0.6	0.5 0.2	2,180 5,011	2,162 5,047	2,093 4,987	2,137 5,067	2.0 -1.1	
Batteries	1,405	1,399	1,369	0.4	2.2	1.7	1,476	1,453	1,392	1,375	7.3	
Transportation equipment	132,523	131,662	131,840	0.7	-0.1	1.2	133,100	132,739	130,601	125,390	6.1	
AutomobilesLight trucks and utility vehicles	4,676 4,205	4,549 4,212	4,961 4,025	2.8 -0.2	-8.3 4.6	-2.8 2.7	4,634 4,210	4,407 4,287	4,633 3,734	4,458 3,602	3.9 16.9	
Heavy duty trucks	1,954	1,963	1,974	-0.2	-0.6	4.5	1,937	1,943	1,946	1,583	22.4	
Motor vehicle bodies, parts,												
and trailers  Nondefense aircraft and parts	25,130 67,061	25,165 66,984	25,334 66,739	-0.1 0.1	-0.7 0.4	0.2 1.2	25,187 67,477	25,311 67,723	24,974 66,621	23,472 65,165	7.3 3.5	
Defense aircraft and parts	12,788	12,427	12,433	2.9	0.4	-3.8	12,818	12,557	12,403	13,024	-1.6	
Ships and boats	2,230	2,216	2,158	0.6	2.7	0.0	2,205	2,166	2,150	2,243	-1.7	
Furniture and related products	7,274 22,832	7,262 22,818	7,208 22,769	0.2 0.1	0.7 0.2	0.7 1.3	7,430 23,116	7,489 22,906	7,410 22,522	6,926 22,603	7.3 2.3	
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Nondurable goods industries	247,212	248,732	249,606	-0.6	-0.4	0.0	248,638	249,573	248,740	264,976	-6.2	
Food products	53,173	53,058	52,395	0.2	1.3	-1.1	53,714	52,600	50,977	54,065	-0.6	
Grain and oilseed milling  Dairy products	5,897 8,080	5,919 8,026	5,936 8,019	-0.4 0.7	-0.3 0.1	1.9 0.1	5,698 8,303	5,695 8,312	5,749 8,306	6,013 8,967	-5.2 -7.4	
Meat, poultry, and seafood products	9,326	9,351	8,935	-0.3	4.7	-5.5	9,459	9,375	8,850	9,691	-2.4	
Beverage and tobacco products	20,198	20,185	20,092	0.1	0.5	0.5	19,531	19,436	19,485	19,002	2.8	
Beverages Tobacco	15,872 4,326	15,885 4,300	15,810 4,282	-0.1 0.6	0.5 0.4	0.3 1.2	15,467 4,064	15,421 4,015	15,406 4,079	15,225 3,777	1.6 7.6	
Textile mills	3,243	3,243	3,239	0.0	0.4	-0.2	3,259	3,262	3,249	3,293	-1.0	
Textile products	2,960	2,950	2,931	0.3	0.6	-1.3	2,973	2,955	2,947	3,103	-4.2	
ApparelLeather and allied products	2,643 867	2,601 863	2,514 866	1.6 0.5	3.5 -0.3	0.4 -1.1	2,789 884	2,753 871	2,559 877	2,408 880	15.8 0.5	
Paper products	16,675	16,681	16,670	0.0	0.1	0.6	16,781	16,754	16,610	16,462	1.9	
Pulp, paper, and paperboard mills	7,372	7,386	7,394	-0.2	-0.1	1.5	7,361	7,362	7,355	6,434	14.4	
Paperboard containers	4,688 5.716	4,660 5.714	4,648	0.6	0.3	-0.4 0.7	4,727 6,007	4,690 5,806	4,640 5,870	5,319	-11.1 5.0	
Printing  Petroleum and coal products	5,716 34,669	5,714 36,439	5,798 38,528	0.0 -4.9	-1.4 -5.4	0.7	6,007 35,468	5,896 37,546	5,870 39,433	5,722 51,543	5.0 -31.2	
Petroleum refineries	29,991	31,804	33,799	-5.7	-5.9	0.0	30,812	32,906	34,651	46,601	-33.9	
Chemical products	82,479	82,395	81,899	0.1	0.6	0.5	82,732	82,948	82,051	83,613	-1.1	
Pesticides, fertilizers, and other agricultural chemicals	4,706	4,747	4,793	-0.9	-1.0	0.8	4,455	4,409	4,434	4,602	-3.2	
Pharmaceuticals and medicines	32,413	32,158	31,694	0.8	1.5	0.7	32,479	32,466	32,287	30,943	5.0	
Paints, coatings, and adhesives  Plastics and rubber products	3,652	3,680	3,612	-0.8	1.9	-1.8	3,608	3,724	3,644	3,603	0.1	
	24,589	24,603	24,674	-0.1	-0.3	0.3	24,500	24,552	24,682	24,885	-1.5	

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2 Estimates of inventories for the semiconductor industry data are included in computers and electronic products, and all other applicable aggregate totals.

See note at end of Table 2 relating to survey error and revision.

Table 5. Value of Manufacturers' Shipments, New Orders, Unfilled Orders, and Total Inventories for Topical Series<sup>1, 2</sup>

-	Seasonally Adjusted								Not	Seasonally A	Adjusted		
		Monthly		Per	cent Cha	nge		Mon	ıthly		Year t	o date	
Industry	Aug. 2015 <sup>p</sup>	July 2015 <sup>r</sup>	June 2015	July - Aug.	June - July	May - June	Aug. 2015 <sup>p</sup>	July 2015 <sup>r</sup>	June 2015	Aug. 2014	2015 <sup>p</sup>	2014	<b>% Change<sup>6</sup></b> 2015/ 2014
SHIPMENTS													
All manufacturing industries	480,143	483,362	484,363	-0.7	-0.2	0.6	490,105	472,386	513,644	517,184	3,838,548	3,998,480	-4.0
Construction materials and supplies Information technology Computers and related products Motor vehicle and parts	46,421 24,027 2,027 52,792	46,461 24,155 2,141 53,671	45,873 23,873 2,168 51,303	-0.1 -0.5 -5.3 -1.6	1.3 1.2 -1.2 4.6	0.4 0.7 3.5 1.0	49,754 23,427 1,718 54,391	49,197 21,862 1,661 46,471	50,748 27,978 3,231 55,257	50,619 22,832 1,826 48,742	373,296 185,511 15,952 406,658	371,942 180,317 17,353 370,574	0.4 2.9 -8.1 9.7
Capital goods	90,467 80,496 69,540 9,971	89,708 79,241 69,844 10,467	89,636 79,240 69,585 10,396	0.8 1.6 -0.4 -4.7	0.1 0.0 0.4 0.7	1.8 0.7 1.0 10.7	88,815 78,973 68,375 9,842	83,585 74,240 66,119 9,345	100,119 88,900 77,480 11,219	88,502 78,891 69,964 9,611	698,152 622,681 547,936 75,471	679,895 606,410 543,857 73,485	2.7 2.7 0.8 2.7
Consumer goods	190,071 36,417 153,654	193,359 37,266 156,093	195,090 35,891 159,199	-1.7 -2.3 -1.6	-0.9 3.8 -2.0	0.4 1.0 0.3	195,088 36,863 158,225	189,377 32,011 157,366	200,514 38,403 162,111	216,666 34,377 182,289	1,529,851 281,421 1,248,430	1,691,157 266,044 1,425,113	-9.5 5.8 -12.4
NEW ORDERS													
All manufacturing industries <sup>5</sup>	472,989	481,206	480,063	-1.7	0.2	2.2	473,193	469,006	510,706	507,622	3,771,182	4,064,510	
Construction materials and supplies Information technology Computers and related products Motor vehicle and parts	46,215 24,604 2,017 52,764	46,457 24,551 2,102 53,760	46,363 24,208 2,232 51,269	-0.5 0.2 -4.0 -1.9	0.2 1.4 -5.8 4.9	1.6 0.7 10.4 0.9	48,849 23,045 1,708 54,424	49,219 21,669 1,622 46,042	50,785 27,900 3,295 54,814	50,674 23,176 1,871 49,215	374,537 190,078 16,060 405,691	378,347 187,709 17,670 371,639	-1.0 1.3 -9.1 9.2
Capital goods	88,526 79,944 69,314 8,582	93,280 81,970 69,875 11,310	90,594 81,504 68,540 9,090	-5.1 -2.5 -0.8 -24.1	3.0 0.6 1.9 24.4	9.9 10.7 1.5 2.8	80,338 73,852 66,626 6,486	86,776 77,023 65,193 9,753	102,690 90,290 75,288 12,400	86,976 80,474 69,947 6,502	677,892 609,206 547,206 68,686	772,228 694,887 567,619 77,341	-12.2 -12.3 -3.6 -11.2
Consumer goods  Consumer durable goods  Consumer nondurable goods	190,066 36,412 153,654	193,156 37,063 156,093	195,051 35,852 159,199	-1.6 -1.8 -1.6	-1.0 3.4 -2.0	0.4 0.9 0.3	194,891 36,666 158,225	189,161 31,795 157,366	200,260 38,149 162,111	216,470 34,181 182,289	1,529,541 281,111 1,248,430	1,691,159 266,046 1,425,113	-9.6 5.7 -12.4
UNFILLED ORDERS													
All manufacturing industries <sup>5</sup>	1,195,011	1,197,457	1,195,217	-0.2	0.2	0.0	1,186,044	1,197,712	1,195,851	1,200,582	(X)	(X)	-1.2
Construction materials and supplies Information technology Computers and related products Motor vehicle and parts	54,776 135,730 2,580 21,678	54,982 135,153 2,590 21,706	54,986 134,757 2,629 21,617	-0.4 -0.4 -0.1	0.0 0.3 -1.5 0.4	0.9 0.2 2.5 -0.2	54,883 134,784 2,580 21,063	55,788 135,166 2,590 21,030	55,766 135,359 2,629 21,459	53,955 126,079 2,306 19,985	(X) (X) (X) (X)	(X) (X) (X) (X)	1.7 6.9 11.9 5.4
Capital goods  Nondefense capital goods <sup>3</sup> Excluding aircraft  Defense capital goods <sup>4</sup>	910,238 761,373 246,351 148,865	912,179 761,925 246,577 150,254	908,607 759,196 246,546 149,411	-0.2 -0.1 -0.1 -0.9	0.4 0.4 0.0 0.6	0.1 0.3 -0.4 -0.9	903,974 755,519 245,636 148,455	912,451 760,640 247,385 151,811	909,260 757,857 248,311 151,403	915,591 755,244 245,287 160,347	(X) (X) (X) (X)	(X) (X) (X) (X)	0.0 0.1
Consumer goods	5,231	5,236	5,439 5,439	-0.1 -0.1	-3.7 -3.7	-0.7 -0.7	4,953 4,953	5,150 5,150	5,366 5,366	4,589 4,589	(X)	(X) (X)	7.9 7.9
Consumer durable goods  TOTAL INVENTORIES	5,231	5,236	5,439	-0.1	-3.7	-0.7	4,955	5,150	5,300	4,569	(X)	(^)	7.9
All manufacturing industries	648,385	650,029	651,751	-0.3	-0.3	0.3	652,649	653,831	648,233	659,281	(X)	(X)	-1.0
Construction materials and supplies	65,337	65,490	65,869	-0.2	-0.6	0.1	65,272	65,754	65,944	63,985	(X)	(X)	
Information technology	38,991 3,639 35,965	39,180 3,838 35,889	39,315 4,049 36,294	-0.5 -5.2 0.2	-0.3 -5.2 -1.1	-0.2 1.4 0.3	39,841 3,810 35,968	39,682 3,964 35,948	38,901 3,934 35,287	39,976 4,116 33,115	(X) (X) (X)	(X) (X) (X)	-0.3 -7.4 8.6
Capital goods  Nondefense capital goods <sup>3</sup> Excluding aircraft  Defense capital goods <sup>4</sup>	199,992 176,336 120,492 23,656	199,801 176,849 120,945 22,952	199,790 177,066 121,397 22,724	0.1 -0.3 -0.4 3.1	0.0 -0.1 -0.4 1.0	0.8 0.5 0.1 3.6	202,220 178,597 122,381 23,623	201,904 178,848 122,171 23,056	199,094 176,318 120,577 22,776	197,456 176,927 122,769 20,529	(X) (X) (X) (X)	(X) (X) (X) (X)	2.4 0.9 -0.3 15.1
Consumer goods	185,948 29,588 156,360	187,158 29,394 157,764	187,971 29,514 158,457	-0.6 0.7 -0.9	-0.4 -0.4 -0.4	0.0 0.7 -0.1	187,302 29,886 157,416	187,601 29,422 158,179	186,514 28,648 157,866	198,711 28,132 170,579	(X) (X) (X)	(X) (X) (X)	-5.7 6.2 -7.7

X Not Applicable Preliminary

See note at end of Table 2 relating to survey error and revision.

Revised data due to late receipts and concurrent seasonal adjustment.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Estimates of shipments and new orders are for the duration of the period, while estimates of unfilled orders and total inventories are for the end of the period. Not seasonally adjusted estimates of shipments and new orders include adjusted data for non-calendar reporters. Seasonally adjusted estimates include concurrent adjustments for holiday and trading-day differences, where appropriate, as well as seasonal variation, based on the results of the latest annual review of the model parameters. Estimates are not adjusted for price changes.

 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm 2}\, {\rm Topical}$  series are regroupings of the separate industry categories.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Nondefense capital goods industries include: small arms and ordnance; farm machinery and equipment; construction machinery; mining, oil, and gas field machinery; industrial machinery; vending, laundry, and other machinery; photographic equipment; metalworking machinery; turbines and generators; other power transmission equipment; pumps and compressors; material handling equipment; all other machinery; electronic computers; computer storage devices; other computer peripheral equipment; communications equipment; search and navigation equipment, and control instruments; electrical equipment; other electrical equipment, appliances, and components; heavy duty trucks; aircraft; railroad rolling stock; ships and boats; office and institutional furniture; and medical equipment and supplies.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>Defense capital goods industries include: small arms and ordnance; communications equipment; aircraft; missiles, space vehicles, and parts; ships and boats; and search and navigation equipment.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Estimates and percent changes exclude semiconductor industry data.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Based on year-to-date for shipments and new orders, but on same month prior year for unfilled orders and inventories.

Table 6. Value of Manufacturers' Inventories, by Stage of Fabrication, by Industry Group<sup>1</sup>

Industry  MATERIALS AND SUPPLIES  All manufacturing industries  Durable goods industries	Aug. 2015 <sup>p</sup>	July 2015	June	Pe July -	rcent Chan	ge		Mon	ithly		% Change August
MATERIALS AND SUPPLIES All manufacturing industries	-		June	luke							August
All manufacturing industries			2015	Aug.	June - July	May - June	Aug. 2015 <sup>p</sup>	July 2015 <sup>r</sup>	June 2015	Aug. 2014	2015/ 2014
•											
Durable goods industries	213,815	214,325	215,955	-0.2	-0.8	0.1	214,305	215,333	214,322	219,334	-2.3
	133,493	133,331	134,456	0.1	-0.8	0.2	134,236	134,020	133,075	134,445	-0.2
Wood products  Nonmetallic mineral products	4,496 4,990	4,518 5,065	4,523 5,096	-0.5 -1.5	-0.1 -0.6	-0.9 -0.5	4,493 5,002	4,443 5,097	4,294 5,117	4,267 4,853	5.3 3.1
Primary metals	13,932	14,100	14,248	-1.2	-1.0	-0.3	13,901	14,077	14,085	14,829	-6.3
Fabricated metal products		17,640	17,835	-0.3	-1.1	0.3	17,592	17,807	17,752	18,185	-3.3
Machinery  Computers and electronic products	26,067 18,936	26,248 18,991	26,477 19,086	-0.7 -0.3	-0.9 -0.5	0.0 0.9	26,402 19,054	26,768 19,074	26,437 18,813	26,233 18,741	0.6 1.7
Electrical equipment, appliances,											
and components  Transportation equipment	6,599 29,381	6,589 28,660	6,508 29,233	0.2 2.5	1.2 -2.0	0.0 1.1	6,654 29,523	6,656 28,434	6,473 28,625	7,021 28,974	-5.2 1.9
Furniture and related products	3,783	3,801	3,750	-0.5	1.4	0.8	3,814	3,872	3,802	3,545	7.6
Miscellaneous products	7,715	7,719	7,700	-0.1	0.2	0.9	7,801	7,792	7,677	7,797	0.1
Nondurable goods industries	80,322	80,994	81,499	-0.8	-0.6	0.0	80,069	81,313	81,247	84,889	-5.7
Food products  Beverage and tobacco products	17,871 5,127	17,889 5,145	17,923 5,133	-0.1 -0.3	-0.2 0.2	-0.2 0.0	17,612 4,919	17,780 4,916	17,567 4,982	17,953 4,804	-1.9 2.4
Textiles	1,181	1,181	1,171	0.0	0.9	-0.3	1,190	1,188	1,177	1,151	3.4
Textile products	1,113 888	1,112 873	1,106 851	0.1 1.7	0.5 2.6	-3.3 0.7	1,114 905	1,114 894	1,113 873	1,168 702	-4.6 28.9
Leather and allied products		253	251	0.8	0.8	1.2	261	256	252	269	-3.0
Paper products	8,584	8,589	8,561	-0.1	0.3	0.2	8,595	8,644 2,835	8,514	8,328	3.2 2.2
Printing  Petroleum and coal products	2,757 7,684	2,766 8,191	2,799 8,568	-0.3 -6.2	-1.2 -4.4	-0.8 0.0	2,831 7,730	2,835 8,371	2,828 8,935	2,769 11,268	-31.4
Chemical products	25,031	25,124	25,205	-0.4	-0.3	0.4	25,090	25,364	25,152	26,201	-4.2
Plastics and rubber products	9,831	9,871	9,931	-0.4	-0.6	-0.1	9,822	9,951	9,854	10,276	-4.4
WORK IN PROCESS											
All manufacturing industries	206,598	206,583	206,653	0.0	0.0	1.0	206,843	207,759	205,346	206,175	0.3
Durable goods industries	158,391	158,145	158,086	0.2	0.0	0.9	159,638	160,087	157,753	151,980	5.0
Wood products	2,336	2,355	2,376	-0.8	-0.9	1.4	2,312	2,361	2,385	2,102	10.0
Nonmetallic mineral products  Primary metals		1,493 11,403	1,497 11,471	0.7 -1.1	-0.3 -0.6	-0.6 0.4	1,495 11,404	1,513 11,539	1,528 11,378	1,340 11,579	11.6 -1.5
Fabricated metal products	. 12,995	12,987	13,073	0.1	-0.7	-0.3	13,174	13,133	13,040	13,526	-2.6
Machinery  Computers and electronic products	19,834 15,587	19,613 15,745	19,491 15,724	1.1 -1.0	0.6 0.1	-0.3 1.2	20,214 15,828	19,628 16,140	19,200 15,802	19,725 14,782	2.5 7.1
Electrical equipment, appliances,	10,007	10,140	10,724	1.0	0.1	1.2	10,020	10,140	10,002	14,702	,
and components	3,874 86,009	3,887 85,727	3,965 85,551	-0.3 0.3	-2.0	0.5 1.5	3,923 86,221	3,924 86,849	3,981 85,481	3,792 80,586	3.5 7.0
Transportation equipment  Furniture and related products	1,033	1,036	1,047	-0.3	0.2 -1.1	-3.0	1,042	1,056	1,061	1,014	2.8
Miscellaneous products		3,899	3,891	1.1	0.2	1.5	4,025	3,944	3,897	3,534	13.9
Nondurable goods industries	48,207	48,438	48,567	-0.5	-0.3	1.2	47,205	47,672	47,593	54,195	-12.9
Food products	6,009 7,454	5,907 7,372	5,661 7,310	1.7 1.1	4.3 0.8	0.4 1.1	5,479 6,758	5,334 6,592	5,102 6,704	4,988 6,532	9.8 3.5
Beverage and tobacco products Textiles	7,454	7,372	7,310	-0.1	-0.9	0.1	771	768	766	821	-6.1
Textile products	455	453	442	0.4	2.5	-1.3	458	455	438	447	2.5
ApparelLeather and allied products	328 107	328 99	328 99	0.0 8.1	0.0 0.0	0.6 6.5	346 106	359 98	352 95	355 90	-2.5 17.8
Paper products	1,358	1,338	1,346	1.5	-0.6	2.6	1,373	1,348	1,347	1,310	4.8
Printing  Petroleum and coal products	1,359 9,505	1,359 9,915	1,386 11,066	0.0 -4.1	-1.9 -10.4	3.4 4.4	1,512 9,751	1,422 10,211	1,355 11,092	1,424 17,249	6.2 -43.5
Chemical products		18,192	17,441	-0.1	4.3	-0.6	17,955	18,356	17,620	18,283	-1.8
Plastics and rubber products	2,701	2,715	2,721	-0.5	-0.2	0.6	2,696	2,729	2,722	2,696	0.0
FINISHED GOODS											
All manufacturing industries	227,972	229,121	229,143	-0.5	0.0	-0.2	231,501	230,739	228,565	233,772	-1.0
Durable goods industries	109,289	109,821	109,603	-0.5	0.2	0.0	110,137	110,151	108,665	107,880	2.1
Wood products	4,387	4,388	4,368	0.0	0.5	1.1	4,300	4,293	4,368	4,166	3.2
Nonmetallic mineral products  Primary metals	6,469 11,312	6,462 11,488	6,505 11,594	0.1 -1.5	-0.7 -0.9	-0.6 -1.5	6,413 11,306	6,427 11,357	6,607 11,518	6,493 12,330	-1.2 -8.3
Fabricated metal products		18,323	18,217	0.2	0.6	0.1	18,263	18,425	18,345	16,728	9.2
Machinery	20,618	20,814	20,911	-0.9	-0.5	-0.1	20,729	20,868	20,800	21,144	-2.0
Computers and electronic products  Electrical equipment, appliances,	11,203	11,283	11,245	-0.7	0.3	-1.4	11,618	11,272	10,852	11,589	0.3
and components	6,184	6,163	6,118	0.3	0.7	0.4	6,288	6,322	6,185	5,961	5.5
Transportation equipment	17,133	17,275	17,056	-0.8	1.3	0.2	17,356	17,456	16,495	15,830	9.6
Furniture and related products Miscellaneous products	2,458 11,174	2,425 11,200	2,411 11,178	1.4 -0.2	0.6 0.2	2.3 1.5	2,574 11,290	2,561 11,170	2,547 10,948	2,367 11,272	8.7 0.2
Nondurable goods industries	118,683	119,300	119,540	-0.5	-0.2	-0.4	121,364	120,588	119,900	125,892	-3.6
Food products	29,293	29,262	28,811	0.1	1.6	-1.9	30,623	29,486	28,308	31,124	-1.6
Beverage and tobacco products		7,668 1,302	7,649 1,301	-0.7 0.1	0.2 0.1	0.3	7,854	7,928 1,306	7,799 1,306	7,666 1,321	2.5 -1.7
Textiles Textile products	1,303 1,392	1,302 1,385	1,301	0.1 0.5	0.1	-0.3 0.4	1,298 1,401	1,306 1,386	1,306 1,396	1,321	-1.7 -5.8
Apparel	1,427	1,400	1,335	1.9	4.9	0.1	1,538	1,500	1,334	1,351	13.8
Leather and allied products Paper products	505 6,733	511 6,754	516 6,763	-1.2 -0.3	-1.0 -0.1	-3.6 0.6	517 6,813	517 6,762	530 6,749	521 6,824	-0.8 -0.2
Printing	1,600	1,589	1,613	0.7	-0.1	0.6	1,664	1,639	1,687	1,529	8.8
Petroleum and coal products	17,480	18,333	18,894	-4.7	-3.0	-2.3	17,987	18,964	19,406	23,026	-21.9
Chemical productsPlastics and rubber products	. 39,276 12,057	39,079 12,017	39,253 12,022	0.5 0.3	-0.4 0.0	1.0 0.6	39,687 11,982	39,228 11,872	39,279 12,106	39,129 11,913	1.4 0.6

Preliminary Revised data due to late receipts and concurrent seasonal adjustment.

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See note at end of Table 2 relating to survey error and revisions.

Table 7. Ratios of Manufacturers' Inventories to Shipments and Unfilled Orders to Shipments, by Industry Group <sup>1</sup>

[Based on Seasonally Adjusted data from the Manufacturers' Shipments, Inventories, and Orders Survey.]

	Inve	ntory/Ship	ments ra	tio	Unfilled Orders/Shipments ratio <sup>2</sup>				
Industry	Aug 2015 <sup>p</sup>	Jul 2015 <sup>r</sup>	Jun 2015	May 2015	Aug 2015 <sup>p</sup>	Jul 2015 <sup>r</sup>	Jun 2015	May 2015	
All manufacturing industries <sup>3</sup>	1.35	1.34	1.35	1.35	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	
Durable goods industries <sup>3</sup>	1.65 1.38	1.65 1.39	1.67 1.42	1.68 1.44	6.87 (X)	6.89 (X)	(X)	6.99 (X)	
Nonmetallic mineral products  Primary metals  Fabricated metal products	1.34 1.79 1.64	1.33 1.79 1.64	1.36 1.77 1.64	1.39 1.77 1.64	(X) 1.74 2.83	(X) 1.72 2.84		(X) 1.68 2.82	
Machinery  Computers and electronic products <sup>3</sup>	1.97	1.98	1.97 1.57	2.00	3.58 5.91	3.59 5.88	3.58	3.66 6.01	
Electrical equipment, appliances, and components	1.64	1.60	1.63	1.61	2.41	2.36		2.41	
Transportation equipment	1.64 1.13 1.60		1.68 1.13 1.62	1.69 1.14 1.61	14.65 1.40 (X)	14.86 1.37 (X)	1.41	15.47 1.45 (X)	
Nondurable goods industries	1.04	1.04	1.03	1.03	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	
Food products  Beverage and tobacco products  Textiles	0.81 1.60 1.27	0.80 1.62 1.27	0.80 1.61 1.26	0.80 1.60 1.28	(X) (X) (X)	(X) (X) (X)	(X) (X) (X)	(X) (X) (X)	
Textile products	1.53 2.25	1.52 2.25	1.54 2.23	1.57 2.23	(X) (X)	(X) (X)	(X) (X)	(X) (X)	
Leather and allied products	1.85 1.03 0.79	1.86 1.04 0.78	1.88 1.04 0.80	1.89 1.03 0.80	(X) (X) (X)	(X) (X) (X)	(X) (X) (X)	(X) (X) (X)	
Printing  Petroleum and coal products  Chemical products	0.79 0.76 1.28	0.78 0.75 1.28	0.80 0.73 1.28	0.80 0.74 1.29	(X) (X)	(X) (X) (X)	(X) (X) (X)	(X) (X) (X)	
Plastics and rubber products	1.28	1.28	1.28	1.29	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	

X Not Applicable Preliminary

Table 8. Revisions to Previously Published Monthly Percent Changes <sup>1</sup>

[Based on Seasonally Adjusted data from the Manufacturers' Shipments, Inventories, and Orders Survey.]

	Ship	ments	New 0	Orders	Unfilled	Orders	Inven	tories
Industry	Aug <sup>2</sup> 2015	Aug <sup>3</sup> 2014- Jul 2015	Aug <sup>2</sup> 2015	Aug <sup>3</sup> 2014- Jul 2015	Aug <sup>2</sup> 2015	Aug <sup>3</sup> 2014- Jul 2015	Aug <sup>2</sup> 2015	Aug <sup>3</sup> 2014- Jul 2015
All manufacturing industries	(X)	0.2	(X)	0.3	(X)	0.1	(X)	0.1
Durable goods industries	-0.2 (X) (X) (X) -0.3 -0.1 -0.1 -0.1 -0.2 (X) (X) (X) (X)	0.2 0.7 0.5 0.5 0.6 0.3 0.4 0.4 0.4 0.7	-0.3 (X) (X) (X) -0.2 (0.0 (X) -0.2 (X) (X) (X) (X) (X) (X) (X) (X)	(NA) (NA) 1.1 0.3 0.7	0.0 (X)	0.1 (NA) (NA) 0.5 0.1 0.1 0.1 0.3 0.1 0.6 0.4 (NA) (NA)		0.1 0.3 0.2 0.4 0.2 0.2 0.2 0.2 0.1 0.3 0.3
Reverage and tobacco products Textiles. Textile products Apparel. Leather and allied products Paper products. Printing. Petroleum and coal products. Chemical products. Plastics and rubber products.	3888888888	0.3 0.6 0.5 2.2 1.2 1.0 0.4 0.5 0.6 0.4 0.2	3888888888	(NA) (NA) (NA) (NA) (NA) (NA) (NA) (NA)	3888888888	(NA) (NA) (NA) (NA) (NA) (NA) (NA) (NA)	3888888888	0.2 0.4 0.6 1.0 0.6 0.2 0.4 1.4 0.2

X Not Applicable

Revised data due to late receipts and concurrent seasonal adjustment.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Excludes the following industries with no unfilled orders: Wood products; nonmetallic mineral products; medical equipment and supplies; office supplies; other miscellaneous manufacturing; cutlery and handtools; farm and garden machinery; computer storage and peripheral devices; audio and video equipment; manufacturing and reproducing magnetic and optical media; batteries; automobiles; light trucks and utility vehicles; heavy duty trucks, and miscellaneous furniture.

 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm 3}$  Unfilled orders to shipments ratio excludes semiconductor manufacturing.

NA Not Available

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Estimates of shipments and new orders are for the duration of the period, while estimates of unfilled orders and total inventories are for the end of the period. Not seasonally adjusted estimates of shipments and new orders include adjusted data for non-calendar reporters. Seasonally adjusted estimates include concurrent adjustments for holiday and trading-day differences, where appropriate, as well as seasonal variation, based on the results of the latest annual review of the model parameters. Estimates are not adjusted for price changes.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The current month revisions are the difference between the advance percent change and the percent change as shown in this publication.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The twelve month revisions are the differences between the month-to-month percent changes of the preliminary and final estimates. The monthly averages are the simple averages of the absolute values of the differences for the months specified. The advance to final percent change revisions for the durable goods industries are shown in the advance report for the month.

## **Survey Description**

This report is compiled from results of the U.S. Census Bureau's Manufacturers' Shipments, Inventories, and Orders (M3) survey, which is a voluntary survey authorized by Title 13 of the United States Code. This survey provides statistics on a calendar-month basis for manufacturers' value of shipments, new orders (net of cancellations), end-of-month order backlog (unfilled orders), end-of-month total inventory (at current cost or market value), and inventories by stage of fabrication (materials and supplies, work-in-process, and finished goods). Data published from the M3 survey are based on a panel of approximately 4,800 reporting units that represent approximately 3,000 companies and provide an indication of month-to-month change for the Manufacturing Sector. These reporting units may be divisions of diversified large companies, large homogenous companies, or single-unit manufacturers in 92 industry categories, which are combined into 65 publication levels due to the small monthly panel size. The survey methodology assumes that the month-to-month changes of the total operations of the reporting units in the M3 panel effectively represent the month-to-month movements of all establishments that make up the category.

The companies for which shipments data are currently reported or imputed in the M3 survey represent approximately 61 percent of the total value of shipments for manufacturing establishments in the 2012 Economic Census, and these companies include almost two-thirds of the manufacturing companies with \$500 million or more in shipments in the 2012 Economic Census. The companies for which shipments data are currently reported in the M3 survey represent approximately 54 percent of the total value of shipments for manufacturing establishments in the 2012 Economic Census. Statistics based on the M3 panel differ from the results that would be obtained from a complete enumeration of all manufacturing companies. The M3 panel is not based on a probability sample; therefore, the sampling errors that are normally provided with sample surveys cannot be measured. Nonsampling errors are attributable to many sources. The use of company or divisional reports to estimate the monthly change for establishments is one source of nonsampling error. The use of primarily large companies to represent the month-to-month movement of all companies is another potential source. Any corrections will be published in the full report. Corrections received after the full report will be released in the next month's advance report. Any revisions made later than two months will be reflected in the annual benchmark publication.

Additional survey documentation can be found on our web site: http://www.census.gov/m3.