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## Full Report on Manufacturers' Shipments, Inventories and Orders October 2007

#### **Summary**

New orders for manufactured goods in October, up four of the last five months, increased \$2.3 billion or 0.5 percent to \$423.5 billion, the U.S. Census Bureau reported today. This followed a 0.3 percent September increase.

Shipments, up three of the last four months, increased \$4.3 billion or 1.0 percent to \$422.3 billion. This followed a 0.1 percent September increase.

Unfilled orders, up twenty-nine of the last thirty months, increased \$7.7 billion or 1.0 percent to \$779.5 billion. This was at the highest level since the series was first stated on a NAICS basis in 1992 and followed a 1.1 percent September increase. The unfilled orders-to-shipments ratio was 5.21, up from 5.17 in September.

Inventories, up eight of the last nine months, increased \$0.3 billion or 0.1 percent to \$520.0 billion. This was also at the highest level since the series was first stated on a NAICS basis in 1992 and followed a 0.6 percent September increase. The inventories-to-shipments ratio was 1.23, down from 1.24 in September.

#### **New Orders**

New orders for manufactured durable goods in October, down three consecutive months, decreased \$0.4 billion or 0.2 percent to \$215.0 billion, revised from the previously published 0.4 percent decrease. This followed a 1.4 percent September decrease.

Computers and electronic products, down two of the last three months, had the largest decrease, \$2.1 billion or 7.1 percent to \$27.5 billion.

New orders for manufactured nondurable goods increased \$2.7 billion or 1.3 percent to \$208.5 billion.

#### **Shipments**

Shipments of manufactured durable goods in October, up following two consecutive monthly decreases, increased \$1.6 billion or 0.8 percent to \$213.7 billion, revised from the previously published 0.6 percent increase. This followed a 1.8 percent September decrease.

Computers and electronic products, up three of the last four months, had the largest increase, \$0.7 billion or 2.2 percent to \$33.7 billion.

Shipments of manufactured nondurable goods, up five of the last six months, increased \$2.7 billion or 1.3 percent to \$208.5 billion. This was also at the highest level since the series was first stated on a NAICS basis in 1992 and followed a 2.1 percent September increase. Chemical products led the increase, up \$1.0 billion or 1.9 percent to \$54.3 billion.

#### **Unfilled Orders**

Unfilled orders for manufactured durable goods in October, up twenty-nine of the last thirty months, increased \$7.7 billion or 1.0 percent to \$779.5 billion, unchanged from the previously published increase. This was also at the highest level since the series was first stated on a NAICS basis in 1992 and followed a 1.1 percent September increase.

Transportation equipment, up twenty-one consecutive months, had the largest increase, \$5.1 billion or 1.1 percent to \$451.2 billion.

#### **Inventories**

Inventories of manufactured durable goods in October, up three of the last four months, increased \$1.0 billion or 0.3 percent to \$314.6 billion, revised from the previously published 0.2 percent increase. This was also at the highest level since the series was first stated on a NAICS basis in 1992 and followed a 0.3 percent September increase.

Fabricated metal products, up three of the last four months, had the largest increase, \$0.4 billion or 0.8 percent to \$41.9 billion.

Inventories of manufactured nondurable goods, down two of the last three months, decreased \$0.7 billion or 0.3 percent to \$205.4 billion. This followed a 1.0 percent September increase. Food products led the decrease, down \$0.5 billion or 1.3 percent to \$37.1 billion.

By stage of fabrication, October materials and supplies increased 0.3 percent in durable goods and decreased 0.9 percent in nondurable goods. Work in process increased 1.0 percent in durable goods and 1.7 percent in nondurable goods. Finished goods decreased 0.5 percent in durable goods and 0.6 percent in nondurable goods.

Figures in text are in seasonally adjusted current dollars. Figures on new and unfilled orders exclude data for semiconductor manufacturing. For data, call (301) 763-4673 or go to <a href="http://www.census.gov/m3">http://www.census.gov/m3</a>.

The advance report on durable goods for November is scheduled for release on December 27, 2007, at 8:30 a.m. EST and the full report on January 3, 2008, at 10:00 a.m. EST. See back page for survey description and 2008 release dates.

Table 1. Value of Manufacturers' Shipments for Industry Groups

[Millions of Dollars]		Sea	sonally A	djusted			Not Seasonally Adjusted <sup>1</sup>						
		Monthly		Pero	ent Cha	inge		Mon	thly		Y	ear to date	
Industry	Oct. 2007 <sup>p</sup>	Sept. 2007 <sup>r</sup>	Aug. 2007	Sept Oct.	Aug Sept.	July - Aug.	Oct. 2007 <sup>p</sup>	Sept. 2007 <sup>r</sup>	Aug. 2007	Oct. 2006	2007 <sup>p</sup>	2006	2007/ 2006
All manufacturing industries Excluding transportation		,		1.0 1.1	0.1 0.9	-1.7 -1.1	436,925 376,800	424,814 366,879		,	, ,	4,142,965 3,567,711	0.4 0.4
Excluding defense	412,362 149,735	408,358 149,199	407,501 150,674	1.0 0.4	0.2 -1.0	-1.6 -1.5		414,423 155,566	427,482 155,797	402,648 147,012	4,062,216 1,487,785	4,050,525 1,460,226	0.3 1.9
Durable goods industries	213,731	212,135	215,919	0.8	-1.8	-1.9	220,355	219,287	224,628	214,118	2,131,278	2,121,944	0.4
Wood products Nonmetallic mineral products		7,904 9,471	8,052 9,552	-1.4 -0.1	-1.8 -0.8	-0.5 -1.3	8,187 10,213	8,323 9,446	8,702 10,478	8,275 10,634	80,028 97,834	89,592 102,881	-10.7 -4.9
Primary metals	20,468	20,078	20,070	1.9	0.0	-2.5	21,226	19,909	20,943	20,039	204,836	197,355	3.8
Iron and steel mills Aluminum and nonferrous metals		9,245 9,219	9,208 9,281	2.3 2.6	0.4 -0.7	-2.8 -2.1	9,791 9,797	9,115 9,141	9,481 9,771	9,437 8,944	95,292 93,322	94,398 86,225	0.9 8.2
Ferrous metal foundries Fabricated metal products	1,549 26,137	1,614 25,967	1,581 26,484	-4.0 0.7	2.1 -2.0	-2.5 -0.7	1,638 27,357	1,653 26,597	1,691 28,591	1,658 26,238		16,732 257,741	-3.0 2.4
MachineryFarm machinery	28,047 2,126	28,581 2,033	27,979 1,858	-1.9 4.6	2.2 9.4	-1.3 5.4	28,234 1,971	28,418 1,663	27,760 1,702	27,967 1,370	277,623	275,013 16,803	0.9 14.5
Construction machinery	2,120	2,362	2,328	0.0	1.5	2.5	2,337	2,179	2,391	2,656		29,119	-25.1
Mining, oil field, and gas field machinery	1,370	1,287	1,326	6.4	-2.9	0.5	1,368	1,365	1,289	1,192	12,806	10,758	19.0
Industrial machinery Photographic equipment	3,375 540	3,303 560	3,401 578	2.2 -3.6	-2.9 -3.1	-1.5 -0.3	3,677 573	3,420 582	3,005 564	3,834 710	,	31,843 6,440	2.3 -9.6
Ventilation, heating, air-conditioning, and refrigeration equipment	3,925												
Metalworking machinery Turbines, generators, and other	2,344	3,900 2,267	3,811 2,416	0.6 3.4	2.3 -6.2	-9.6 -0.9	3,769 2,507	4,185 2,399	4,019 2,535	3,566 2,644	23,574	35,960 24,139	-2.3
power transmission equipment  Material handling equipment	3,305 2,276	4,104 2,282	3,360 2,367	-19.5 -0.3	22.1 -3.6	-4.4 1.8	3,360 2,266	4,034 2,306	3,404 2,511	3,477 2,192	34,180 23,055	34,906 21,170	-2.1 8.9
Computers and electronic products Computers	33,664 3,546	32,942 3,805	33,137 3,210	2.2 -6.8	-0.6 18.5	0.7 30.8	33,253 3,969	37,062 4,036	32,259 3,140	31,793 2,509	324,945	323,724 34,510	0.4 -2.8
Computer storage devices	606	584	638	3.8	-8.5	0.2	370	926	524	365	5,572	6,265	-11.1
Other peripheral equipment Nondefense communications equipment	1,492 4,707	1,499 5,128	1,487 5,180	-0.5 -8.2	-1.0	-1.5 2.4	1,348 4,290	1,804 6,265	1,444 4,774	1,313 4,659	13,923 48,285	13,567 49,273	2.6 -2.0
Defense communications equipment  Audio and video equipment	494 856	515 752	529 840	-4.1 13.8	-2.6 -10.5	1.1 -2.3	476 1,042	581 797	535 831	499 1,088	5,032 8,134	4,895 8,131	2.8 0.0
Semiconductors	6,471	5,539	6,268	16.8	-11.6	-8.5	6,933	5,543	6,506	7,566	64,061	67,506	-5.1
Electronic components  Nondefense search and navigation	4,082	4,153	4,141	-1.7	0.3	-0.4	4,022	4,607	4,073	4,067	41,003	39,372	4.1
equipment  Defense search and navigation	1,080 2,529	1,006 2,483	977 2,569	7.4 1.9	3.0 -3.3	-8.0 2.3	1,028 2,520	1,106 2,536	979 2,596	755 2,499	9,893 24,908	8,128 24,006	
equipment Electromedical, measuring, and control instruments	7,252	6,925	6,769	4.7	2.3	0.4	6,598	8,250	6,338	5,754		62,433	4.6
Electrical equipment, appliances, and components	10,943	10,804	10,928	1.3	-1.1	-0.3	11,159	11,564	11,379	10,441	108,719	102,356	
Electric lighting equipment Household appliances	1,175 2,266	1,182 2,296	1,212 2,210	-0.6 -1.3	-2.5 3.9	-1.4 -1.2	1,184 2,312	1,274 2,477	1,230 2,346	1,173 2,281	12,023 22,475	11,510 22,310	4.5 0.7
Electrical equipment	3,493	3,478	3,533	0.4	-1.6	2.1	3,434	3,730	3,602	3,150	34,629	30,957	11.9
Batteries Transportation equipment	709 57,163	611 56,695	680 59,628	16.0 0.8	-10.1 -4.9	-6.6 -5.2	830 60,125	711 57,935	681 64,001	676 58,401	6,599 576,520	5,646 575,254	16.9 0.2
Automobiles Light trucks and utility vehicles	7,228 11,196	7,211 11,409	7,509 12,107	0.2 -1.9	-4.0 -5.8	-10.3 -4.2	8,170 12,616	7,233 11,270	8,429 13,361	7,494 11,247	73,698 113,997	71,592 113,922	2.9 0.1
Heavy duty trucks Motor vehicle bodies, parts,			1,435 19,160	-8.3	-7.7	11.0 -8.3		1,314				23,410 201,235	-35.1
And trailers Nondefense aircraft and parts	9,372	8,816	9,704	-1.0 6.3	-4.0 -9.2	0.8	8,393	18,336 9,246	9,902	6,709	85,835	72,267	-3.7 18.8
Defense aircraft and parts Ships and boats	3,543 2,054	3,277 1,997	3,449 1,982	8.1 2.9	-5.0 0.8	-10.3 -0.1	3,364 2,051	3,714 2,122	3,453 1,963	3,319 1,993	33,391 19,843	31,878 19,894	4.7 -0.3
Furniture and related products	6,959 13,091	6,891 12,802	6,934 13,155	1.0 2.3	-0.6 -2.7	-0.9 1.3	7,097 13,504	6,972 13,061	7,460 13,055	7,293 13,037	69,645 127,298	73,233 124,795	-4.9 2.0
Nondurable goods industries	208,525	205,858	201,714	1.3	2.1	-1.4	216,570		212,877	197,987			0.3
Food products	48,670	48,760	48,664	-0.2	0.2	0.7	51,170	49,832	50,224	47,407	471,260	445,111	5.9
Grain and oilseed milling Dairy products	5,504 7,496	5,404 7,412	5,228 7,433	1.9 1.1	3.4 -0.3	-0.9 0.7	6,023 7,608	5,412 7,416	5,452 7,655	5,328 6,249	51,708 69,308	50,139 61,314	3.1 13.0
Meat, poultry, and seafood products Beverage and tobacco products	14,323 11,812	14,396 11,192	14,457 11,821	-0.5 5.5	-0.4 -5.3	1.3 3.8	14,507 11,923	14,401 11,073	15,108 12,519	13,656 10,852	140,819 113,052	130,650 107,649	7.8 5.0
Beverages	7,751	7,585	7,579	2.2	0.1	1.6	7,862	7,466	8,277	6,933	74,663	70,225	6.3
TobaccoTextile mills	4,061 2,885	3,607 2,876	4,242 2,874	12.6 0.3	-15.0 0.1	7.9 -0.9	4,061 2,996	3,607 2,970	4,242 3,009	3,919 3,145	38,389 29,472	37,424 31,757	2.6 -7.2
Textile products	2,743 2,713	2,727 2,737	2,788 2,776	0.6 -0.9	-2.2 -1.4	-0.9 5.6	2,815 3,085	2,771 2,873	2,966 3,032	3,055 3,027	28,548 26,991	31,167 27,458	-8.4 -1.7
Leather and allied products	589	603	577	-2.3	4.5	2.5	568	625	619	578	5,635	5,338	5.6
Paper products Pulp, paper, and paperboard mills	13,887 6,519	13,983 6,589	13,863 6,551	-0.7 -1.1	0.9 0.6	-0.5 -0.8	14,188 6,698	13,814 6,520	14,284 6,770	14,104 6,563	138,770 65,805	140,837 65,017	-1.5 1.2
Paperboard containers Printing	3,950 8,588	3,990 8,477	3,898 8,536	-1.0 1.3	2.4 -0.7	-1.0 0.1	4,116 9,293	3,913 8,779	4,131 8,776	4,204 9,040		40,556 83,439	-2.4 1.4
Petroleum and coal products Petroleum refineries	45,062 42,399	44,248 41,701	39,944 37,397	1.8 1.7	10.8 11.5	-6.4 -6.6	46,774 43,753	44,486 41,714	44,589 41,600	37,132 33,925	424,818 397,707	440,603 410,539	-3.6 -3.1
Chemical products	54,274	53,244	52,515	1.9	1.4	-1.2	55,474	51,390		52,162		531,412	-0.3
agricultural chemicals	3,033	2,863	2,785	5.9	2.8	1.9	2,419	2,386	2,505	1,676		23,503	17.3
Pharmaceuticals and medicines Paints, coatings, and adhesives	13,687 3,101	13,412 2,988	13,348	2.1 3.8	0.5 -0.2	-4.0 -1.6	14,818 3,158	12,752 2,992	13,957 3,288	15,242 2,903	139,607 30,488	145,290 29,684	2.7
Plastics and rubber products	17,302	17,011	17,356	1.7	-2.0	-2.1	18,284	16,914	18,493	17,485	174,477	176,250	-1.0

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NA Not available. <sup>1</sup> Shipments are the totals for the period and are adjusted for trading-day and calendar-month variations.

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

Table 2. Value of Manufacturers' New Orders for Industry Groups

[Millions of Dollars]

		Se	asonally A	djusted			Not Seasonally Adjusted <sup>1</sup>						
		Monthly		Per	cent Cha	nge	Monthly				Year to date		
Industry	Oct. 2007 <sup>p</sup>	Sept. 2007 <sup>r</sup>	Aug. 2007	Sept Oct.	Aug Sept.	July - Aug.	Oct. 2007 <sup>p</sup>	Sept. 2007 <sup>r</sup>	Aug. 2007	Oct. 2006	2007 <sup>p</sup>	2006	Percent 2007/ 2006
All manufacturing industries 2	423,515	421,206		0.5	0.3	-3.5	436,939	423,729	435,129	411,208	4,179,676		0.5
Excluding transportation 2	361,284	359,297		0.6	1.6	-1.6	373,190	362,743	365,371	349,331	3,541,099		0.2
Excluding defense 2	412,466	411,074		0.3	1.2	-3.9	425,975	414,798		402,340	4,084,678		0.6
With unfilled orders <sup>2</sup>	157,465	157,951	159,385	-0.3	-0.9	-6.4	159,120	160,024	159,927	153,681	1,572,864	1,542,107	2.0
Durable goods industries <sup>2</sup>	214,990	215,348	218,362	-0.2	-1.4	-5.3	220,369	218,202	222,252	213,221	2,152,296	2,136,319	0.7
Primary metals	20,520	19,888		3.2	0.4	-2.9	20,865	19,228	20,703	19,417	203,371	197,531	3.0
Iron and steel mills	9,629	9,100		5.8	0.4	-1.5	9,591	8,676	9,357	8,791	94,308	93,719	0.6
Aluminum and nonferrous metals	9,332	9,171	9,172	1.8	0.0	-4.3	9,633	8,942	9,715	9,073	92,868	87,062	6.7
Ferrous metal foundries	1,559	1,617	1,573	-3.6	2.8	-2.5	1,641	1,610	1,631	1,553	16,195	16,750	-3.3
Fabricated metal products	26,825	26,071	26,679	2.9	-2.3	-1.6	27,569	26,084	28,151	25,499	267,876	263,210	1.8
Machinery	29,619	30,186		-1.9	4.1	-4.1	30,668	29,347	27,863	30,881	287,387	287,431	0.0
Construction machinery Mining, oil field, and	1,850	2,214	,	-16.4	-8.4	-31.6	2,020	1,672	2,480	3,537	22,139	30,644	-27.8
gas field machinery	1,525	1,358		12.3	2.4	3.8	1,655	1,310	1,311	1,446	12,601	12,159	3.6
Industrial machinery	3,906	3,038		28.6	-8.1	-5.9	4,573	2,917	2,494	4,399	34,529	34,575	-0.1
Photographic equipment Ventilation, heating, air-conditioning,	514	628	615	-18.2	2.1	17.4	549	653	590	684	5,822	6,589	-11.6
and refrigeration equipment	4,477	5,199	4,398	-13.9	18.2	-3.4	4,192	5,485	4,555	3,817	44,029	38.099	15.6
Metalworking machinery	2,594	2,655		-2.3	4.0	4.2	2,805	2,764	2,522	2,423	24,698	24,905	-0.8
Turbines, generators, and other								-	-			-	
power transmission equipment	3,875	4,184	3,350	-7.4	24.9	-3.2	3,969	3,842	3,435	3,697	34,229	36,962	-7.4
Material handling equipment	2,477	2,297	2,533	7.8	-9.3	-0.2	2,346	2,551	2,377	2,248	23,911	21,683	10.3
Computers and electronic products 2	27,455	29,553	28,014	-7.1	5.5	-1.1	26,944	33,715	25,585	24,937	267,500	265,770	0.7
Computers	2,971	3,901	3,437	-23.8	13.5	26.1	3,394	4,132	3,367	2,549	33,526	34,181	-1.9
equipment	4,569	5,727	5,268	-20.2	8.7	-2.7	4,358	7,074	4,239	4,586	50,128	51,674	-3.0
Defense communications equipment	341	449	717	-24.1	-37.4	-46.5	380	674	528	401	5,555	4,981	11.5
Semiconductors 2	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Electronic components Nondefense search and navigation	4,315	4,346	4,078	-0.7	6.6	-5.1	4,262	4,709	4,097	4,221	41,696	40,505	2.9
equipment  Defense search and navigation	1,246	1,473	1,314	-15.4	12.1	17.4	1,132	1,648	1,210	780	10,822	9,279	16.6
equipment	3,206	3,000	2,746	6.9	9.2	-4.5	3,187	2,943	2,440	2,808	25,438	26,683	-4.7
Electromedical, measuring, and control instruments	7,304	7,269	6,960	0.5	4.4	-0.3	6,814	8,397	6,386	6,107	67,418	64,866	3.9
Electrical equipment, appliances,	10.702	10 407	10.047	2.0	2.2	1.5	11.156	10.022	11.076	10.979	110.640	100 001	2.0
and componentsElectric lighting equipment	10,793 1,235	10,487 1,125	10,847 1,241	2.9 9.8	-3.3 -9.3	1.5 -3.6	11,156 1,213	10,832 1,071	11,076 1,215	1,077	12,568	106,601 11,612	3.8 8.2
Household appliances	2,255	2,275	2,204	-0.9	3.2	-3.0 -7.7	2,349	2,370	2,405	2,446	22,860	22,586	1.2
Electrical equipment	3,570	3,546	3,690	0.7	-3.9	11.9	3,649	3,640	3,669	3,466	36,700	33,792	8.6
Transportation equipment	62,231	61,909		0.5	-6.9	-12.4	63,749	60,986	69,758	61,877	638,577	624,775	2.2
Motor vehicle bodies, parts,	32,231	0.,505	33,300	0.5	0.5		05,. 15	33,300	05,. 50	0.,077	030,377	02.,.73	]
and trailers	17,952	18,042	18,291	-0.5	-1.4	-11.3	19,386	17,804	19,931	20,856	190,944	202,905	-5.9
Nondefense aircraft and parts	14,257	15,042	12,996	-5.2	15.7	-41.0	11,873	15,489	12,995	10,785	149,329	114,901	30.0
Defense aircraft and parts	3,710	4,082	5,745	-9.1	-28.9	44.5	3,335	3,633	5,452	2,981	30,648	28,888	6.1
Ships and boats	1,840	1,675	2,584	9.9	-35.2	27.1	1,750	1,575	2,395	1,703	20,280	22,565	-10.1
Furniture and related products	7,108	6,974	6,672	1.9	4.5	-2.7	7,425	7,077	6,799	7,410	70,760	73,554	-3.8
Nondurable goods industries	208,525	205,858	201,714	1.3	2.1	-1.4	216,570	205,527	212,877	197,987	2,027,380	2,021,021	0.3

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> New orders are the totals for the period and are adjusted for trading-day and calendar-month variations.

<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.

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. Further details on survey design, methodology, and data limitations are contained in our most recent annual benchmark publication, Current Industrial Reports: M3-3(06), "Manufacturers' Shipments, Inventories, and Orders: 2001-2006."

Table 3. Value of Manufacturers' Unfilled Orders for Industry Groups

[Millions of Dollars]

[Millions of Donars]		S	Seasonally A	djusted				Not Se	easonally Adj	justed	
		Monthly		Pei	cent Chan	ge		Mon	ithly		Percent
Industry	Oct. 2007 <sup>p</sup>	Sept. 2007 <sup>r</sup>	Aug. 2007	Sept Oct.	Aug Sept.	July - Aug.	Oct. 2007 <sup>p</sup>	Sept. 2007 <sup>r</sup>	Aug. 2007	Oct. 2006	Change Oct. 07/06
All manufacturing industries 1	779,533	771,803	763,051	1.0	1.1	1.2	766,921	759,974	755,516	649,286	18.1
Excluding transportation <sup>1</sup> Excluding defense <sup>1</sup>	328,306 617,920	325,644 611,345	322,106 603,090	0.8 1.1	1.1 1.4	0.6 0.9	323,866 610,002	320,543 604,395	319,136 598,477	295,812 498,073	9.5 22.5
Durable goods industries <sup>1</sup>	779,533	771,803	763,051	1.0	1.1	1.2	766,921	759,974	755,516	649,286	18.1
Primary metals	26,374 15,701 7,773 2,900 57,913	26,322 15,534 7,898 2,890 57,225	26,512 15,679 7,946 2,887 57,121	0.2 1.1 -1.6 0.3 1.2	-0.7 -0.9 -0.6 0.1 0.2	-1.0 -0.9 -1.4 -0.3 0.3	25,227 14,907 7,521 2,799 57,171	25,588 15,107 7,685 2,796 56,959	26,269 15,546 7,884 2,839 57,472	26,416 16,085 7,617 2,714 53,597	-4.5 -7.3 -1.3 3.1 6.7
Machinery	88,098 10,912	86,526 11,423	84,921 11,571	1.8 -4.5	1.9		86,652 10,144	84,218 10,461	83,289 10,968	74,689 8,905	16.0 13.9
gas field machinery	3,588 14,440 1,554	3,433 13,909 1,580	3,362 14,174 1,512	4.5 3.8 -1.6	2.1 -1.9 4.5	0.0 -0.7 2.5	3,605 14,391 1,545	3,318 13,495 1,569	13,998	3,600 12,493 1,290	0.1 15.2 19.8
Ventilation, heating, air-conditioning, and refrigeration equipment Metalworking machinery Turbines, generators, and other	13,909 7,627	13,357 7,377	12,058 6,989	4.1 3.4	10.8 5.6	5.1 2.0	13,830 7,549	13,407 7,251	12,107 6,886	9,569 6,244	44.5 20.9
power transmission equipment Material handling equipment Computers and electronic products 1	12,839 10,052 117,937	12,269 9,851 117,675	12,189 9,836 115,525	4.6 2.0 0.2	0.7 0.2 1.9	-0.1 1.7 1.0	12,602 9,707 116,808	11,993 9,627 116,184	12,185 9,382 113,988	12,197 8,193 106,642	3.3 18.5 9.5
Computers Nondefense communications	3,395	3,970	3,874	-14.5	2.5	6.2	3,395	3,970	3,874	3,281	3.5
equipment  Defense communications equipment  Semiconductors <sup>1</sup>	28,501 6,903 (NA)	28,639 7,056 (NA)	28,040 7,122 (NA)	-0.5 -2.2 (NA)	2.1 -0.9 (NA)		28,376 6,880 (NA)	28,308 6,976 (NA)	-,	26,698 5,922 (NA)	6.3 16.2 (NA)
Electronic components Nondefense search and navigation	10,587	10,354	10,161	2.3	1.9	-0.6	10,613	10,373	10,271	10,473	1.3
equipment  Defense search and navigation  equipment	6,483 35,484	6,317 34,807	5,850 34,290	2.6 1.9	8.0 1.5	6.1 0.5	6,244 34,845	6,140 34,178	,	4,857 32,340	28.6 7.7
Electromedical, measuring, and control instruments	26,584	26,532	26,188	0.2	1.3	0.7	26,455	26,239	,	23,071	14.7
Electrical equipment, appliances, and components Electric lighting equipment	23,830 2,737	23,980 2,677	24,297 2,734	-0.6 2.2	-1.3 -2.1	-0.3 1.1	23,657 2,662	23,660 2,633	24,392 2,836	21,884 2,219	8.1 20.0
Household appliances Electrical equipment Transportation equipment	961 14,986 451,227	972 14,909 446,159	993 14,841 440,945	-1.1 0.5 1.1	-2.1 -2.1 0.5 1.2	-0.6 1.1 1.6	956 15,001 443,055	919 14,786 439,431	1,026 14,876 436,380	831 12,911 353,474	15.0 16.2 25.3
Motor vehicle bodies, parts, and trailers Nondefense aircraft and parts	18,938 285,531	19,187 280,646	19,531 274,420	-1.3 1.7	-1.8 2.3	1.2	18,197 282,044	18,669 278,564	19,201 272,321	19,595 199,035	-7.1 41.7
Defense aircraft and parts Ships and boats Furniture and related products	44,076 19,193 7,706	43,909 19,407 7,557	43,104 19,729 7,474	0.4 -1.1 2.0	1.9 -1.6 1.1		42,280 18,204 7,903	42,309 18,505 7,575	42,390 19,052 7,470	39,978 15,962 7,521	5.8 14.0 5.1

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</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

			Seasonally A		. 61				asonally Adj	usted	
Industry		Monthly		Pe	rcent Chan	ge		Mon	thly		Percent Change
	Oct. 2007 <sup>p</sup>	Sept. 2007 <sup>r</sup>	Aug. 2007	Sept Oct.	Aug Sept.	July - Aug.	Oct. 2007 <sup>p</sup>	Sept. 2007 <sup>r</sup>	Aug. 2007	Oct. 2006	Oct. 07/06
All manufacturing industries	519,999	519,659	516,627	0.1	0.6	-0.1	524,017	520,372	520,468	512,743	2.2
Excluding transportation Excluding defense	441,748 498,411	441,693 498,301	438,970 495,578	0.0 0.0	0.6 0.5	-0.1 -0.1	444,716 502,275	441,982 498,838	441,927 499,257	437,303 490,875	1.7 2.3
With unfilled orders		247,607	246,913	0.4	0.3	0.1	249,294	246,600	248,776	241,391	3.3
Durable goods industries	314,605	313,607	312,577	0.3	0.3	-0.1	315,337	312,373	315,143	308,521	2.2
Wood products	10,492	10,536	10,659	-0.4	-1.2	-0.6	10,575	10,538	10,619	11,451	-7.6
Nonmetallic mineral products Primary metals	11,934 31,000	11,928 31,370	11,874 31,651	0.1 -1.2	0.5 -0.9	0.2 -0.6	11,581 30,715	11,740 31,227	11,847 31,713	11,510 31,120	0.6 -1.3
Iron and steel mills	17,446	17,798	18,029	-2.0	-1.3	-1.0	17,397	17,905	18,169	17,835	-2.5
Aluminum and nonferrous metals Ferrous metal foundries	10,980 2,574	11,025 2,547	11,077 2,545	-0.4 1.1	-0.5 0.1	-0.1 0.0	10,805 2,513	10,895 2,427	11,052 2,492	10,968 2,317	-1.5 8.5
Fabricated metal products	41,924	41,574	41,255	0.8	0.8	-0.5	41,455	41,132	41,151	40,643	2.0
Machinery	51,684 2,463	51,530 2,432	51,120 2,360	0.3 1.3	0.8 3.1	0.3 1.5	51,657 2,278	51,189 2,284	51,398 2,247	48,864 2,061	5.7 10.5
Construction machinery	5,056	4,974	4,979	1.6	-0.1	-0.4	5,072	4,921	4,931	4,830	5.0
Mining, oil field, and gas field machinery	3,932	3,922	3,847	0.3	1.9	2.1	3,878	3,894	3,923	3,296	17.7
Industrial machinery	7,781	7,754	7,715	0.3	0.5	-0.4	7,601	7,697	7,829	7,477	1.7
Photographic equipment Ventilation, heating, air-conditioning,	1,203	1,166	1,175	3.2	-0.8	-0.4	1,221	1,171	1,177	1,205	1.3
and refrigeration equipment	4,506	4,522	4,478	-0.4	1.0	0.1	4,543	4,468	4,526	4,373	3.9
Metalworking machinery Turbines, generators, and other	4,145	4,208	4,133	-1.5	1.8	1.3	4,246	4,300	4,244	4,340	-2.2
power transmission equipment	6,145	6,047	5,986	1.6	1.0	1.7	6,336	6,085	6,127	5,592	13.3
Material handling equipment  Computers and electronic products	2,999 43,452	2,978 43,295	2,958 43,116	0.7 0.4	0.7 0.4	-0.9 0.3	3,026 44,056	2,939 43,086	2,935 44,089	2,740 44,580	10.4 -1.2
Computers	1,091	1,144	1,103	-4.6	3.7	1.6	1,081	1,228	1,181	967	11.8
Computer storage devices Other peripheral equipment	1,316 2,022	1,315 2,025	1,308 2,033	0.1 -0.1	0.5 -0.4	1.9 0.2	1,405 2,105	1,266 1,973	1,396 2,133	1,321 2,262	6.4 -6.9
Nondefense communications			-		1.0	2.0					107
equipment  Defense communications equipment	6,190 992	6,303 971	6,425 943	-1.8 2.2	-1.9 3.0	2.0 3.7	6,340 990	6,241 982	6,513 957	7,096 732	-10.7 35.2
Audio and video equipment	1,125	1,111	1,113	1.3	-0.2	-3.4	1,309	1,252	1,189	1,392	-6.0
Semiconductors <sup>1</sup> Electronic components	(NA) 7,199	(NA) 6,995	(NA) 6,945	(NA) 2.9	(NA) 0.7	(NA) -0.1	(NA) 7,297	(NA) 6,946	(NA) 7,035	(NA) 7,293	(NA) 0.1
Nondefense search and navigation	ŕ	ŕ	,					,			
equipment  Defense search and navigation	3,420	3,369	3,258	1.5	3.4	0.0	3,434	3,368	3,293	2,763	24.3
equipment	2,528	2,518	2,432	0.4	3.5	-0.2	2,527	2,511	2,480	2,438	3.7
Electromedical, measuring and control instruments	11,102	10,925	10,937	1.6	-0.1	0.8	11,133	10,741	11,146	10,747	3.6
Electrical equipment, appliances,			-								2.2
and components  Electric lighting equipment	14,544 1,843	14,323 1,845	14,351 1,848	1.5 -0.1	-0.2 -0.2	-0.6 -0.8	14,387 1,800	13,894 1,789	14,393 1,869	13,935 1,795	3.2 0.3
Household appliances	1,836	1,759	1,734	4.4	1.4	-0.9	1,866	1,708	1,752	1,754	6.4
Electrical equipment Batteries	5,125 514	5,025 520	5,135 526	2.0 -1.2	-2.1 -1.1	-2.0 14.3	5,071 525	4,770 535	5,130 542	5,067 483	0.1 8.7
Transportation equipment	78,251	77,966	77,657	0.4	0.4	0.1	79,301	78,390	78,541	75,440	5.1
Automobiles Light trucks and utility vehicles	2,204 2,852	2,254 2,869	2,288 2,708	-2.2 -0.6	-1.5 5.9	-7.8 -1.5	2,175 2,904	2,311 2,998	2,385 2,860	2,288 2,898	-4.9 0.2
Heavy duty trucks	1,537	1,489	1,573	3.2	-5.3	-4.3	1,559	1,513	1,607	1,570	-0.7
and trailers	17,550	17,625	17,804	-0.4	-1.0	0.2	17,495	17,493	17,622	18,513	-5.5
Nondefense aircraft and parts  Defense aircraft and parts	31,607 12,801	31,475 12,853	31,125 12,823	0.4 -0.4	1.1 0.2	1.1 -0.1	32,402 12,930	31,696 12,981	31,687 12,906	27,156 12,732	19.3 1.6
Ships and boats	2,361	2,348	2,313	0.6	1.5	1.7	2,329	2,349	2,287	2,740	-15.0
Furniture and related products Miscellaneous durable goods	8,520 22,804	8,510 22,575	8,536 22,358	0.1 1.0	-0.3 1.0	-0.5 -0.3	8,481 23,129	8,498 22,679	8,626 22,766	8,922 22,056	-4.9 4.9
Nondurable goods industries	205,394	206,052	204,050	-0.3	1.0	-0.1	208,680	207,999	205,325	204,222	2.2
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Food products	37,146 4,531	37,633 4,658	37,694 4,642	-1.3 -2.7	-0.2 0.3	1.2 4.5	39,664 4,904	38,399 4,684	37,674 4,425	37,563 4,114	5.6 19.2
Dairy products	4,597	4,674	4,775	-1.6	-2.1	1.2	4,575	4,706	4,863	4,057	12.8
Meat, poultry, and seafood products  Beverage and tobacco products	7,245 14,605	7,253 14,595	7,229 14,684	-0.1 0.1	0.3 -0.6	0.8 -0.8	7,417 15,218	7,330 14,693	7,200 14,291	6,964 15,026	6.5 1.3
Beverages	10,784	10,809	10,877	-0.2	-0.6	-0.2	11,331	10,952	10,632	10,708	5.8
Tobacco Textile mills	3,821 3,820	3,786 3,836	3,807 3,826	0.9 -0.4	-0.6 0.3	-2.5 0.8	3,887 3,776	3,741 3,813	3,659 3,859	4,318 4,036	-10.0 -6.4
Textile products	3,472	3,475	3,477	-0.1	-0.1	0.0	3,485	3,499	3,505	3,697	-5.7
ApparelLeather and allied products	3,997 898	3,981 890	3,928 901	0.4 0.9	1.3 -1.2	-4.1 -0.6	4,045 898	4,150 901	4,108 926	3,824 870	5.8 3.2
Paper productsPulp, paper, and paperboard mills	15,392 7,053	15,337 7,038	15,328 7,054	0.4 0.2	0.1 -0.2	0.3 0.5	15,237 6,922	15,248 6,954	15,293 7,018	15,281 6,959	-0.3 -0.5
Paperboard containers	3,878	3,852	3,834	0.7	0.5	-0.8	3,831	3,845	3,823	3,862	-0.8
Printing Petroleum and coal products	6,662 35,334	6,632 35,384	6,498 33,747	0.5 -0.1	2.1 4.9	0.1 -0.4	6,977 36,043	6,989 36,501	6,839 34,620	7,181 33,382	-2.8 8.0
Petroleum refineries	32,803	32,805	31,081	0.0	5.5	0.0	33,550	33,911	31,853	30,358	10.5
Chemical products	63,401	63,484	63,129	-0.1	0.6	-0.6	62,840	63,125	63,697	62,931	-0.1
Pesticides, fertilizers, and other agricultural chemicals	2,671	2,654	2,700	0.6	-1.7	0.9	2,452	2,278	2,384	2,276	7.7
Pharmaceuticals and medicines Paints, coatings, and adhesives	24,311 3,005	24,534 3,032	24,043 3,070	-0.9 -0.9	2.0 -1.2	-2.0 0.9	24,398 2,910	24,810 2,982	24,672 3,105	24,834 2,950	-1.8 -1.4
Plastics and rubber products	20,667	20,805	20,838	-0.9	-0.2	0.9	2,910	2,982	20,513	2,930	0.3

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>r</sup> Revised

NA Not available.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Inventories for semiconductor industry data are included in computers and electronic products and total durable goods industries, but are not shown separately. 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</sup>

[Millions of Dollars]

[Millions of Donars]	Seasonally Adjusted							Not Seasonally Adjusted <sup>2</sup>						
		Monthly		Pero	ent Cha	ınge		Mor	ithly		Year t	o date	Percent	
Industry	Oct. 2007 <sup>p</sup>	Sept. 2007 <sup>r</sup>	Aug. 2007	Sept Oct.	Aug Sept.	July - Aug.	Oct. 2007 <sup>p</sup>	Sept. 2007 <sup>r</sup>	Aug. 2007	Oct. 2006	2007 <sup>p</sup>	2006	Change <sup>6</sup> 2007/ 2006	
<u>SHIPMENTS</u>														
All manufacturing industries	422,256	417,993	417,633	1.0	0.1	-1.7	436,925	424,814	437,505	412,105	4,158,658	4,142,965	0.4	
Construction materials and supplies	43,016	42,900	43,359	0.3		-2.1	45,317	44,315		45,163		448,804	-2.3	
Information technology Computers and related products		27,047 5,888	26,599 5,335	-0.4 -4.1	1.7 10.4	3.1 16.0	26,270 5,687	30,866 6,766			258,693 53,033	255,219 54,342	1.4 -2.4	
Motor vehicle and parts	37,840		40,211	-1.3	-4.7	-6.9	42,025	38,153				410,159	-3.3	
Capital goods		76,133	75,888	-0.2	0.3	1.1	74,797					730,197	0.9	
Nondefense capital goods <sup>3</sup> Excluding aircraft		68,056 62,571	67,451 61,472	-0.3 -0.9		1.6 1.9	66,820 61,790			63,792 59,837	656,136 604,195	652,412 607,122	0.6 -0.5	
Defense capital goods <sup>4</sup>	8,130		8,437	0.7		-2.8	7,977					,	3.8	
Consumer goods	168,070	166,489	164,090	0.9	1.5	-2.2	176,704	167,153	174,236	160,466	1,640,130	1,632,058	0.5	
Consumer durable goods	34,216	34,207 132,282	35,543 128,547	0.0 1.2		-3.8	37,131	34,528			345,203 1,294,927	346,723 1,285,335	-0.4 0.7	
NEW ORDERS	133,634	132,262	120,347	1.2	2.9	-1.0	139,373	132,023	130,392	123,236	1,294,927	1,203,333	0.7	
	422 515	421 206	420.076	٥٠	0.3	2.5	436.030	422 720	425 120	411 200	4 170 676	4 157 240	0.5	
All manufacturing industries 5			420,076	0.5	0.3	-3.5	•			-	4,179,676		0.5	
Construction materials and supplies Information technology	43,786 26,678	44,385 28,765	43,928 27,583	-1.3 -7.3		-1.7 0.2	45,568 26,346	45,433 32,699			445,662 263,539	452,688 264,819	-1.6 -0.5	
Computers and related products		5,984	5,562	-15.3		14.1	5,112	6,862	5,335	4,227		54,013	-1.8	
Motor vehicle and parts		37,987	39,342	-1.0		-8.3	41,553	37,621	43,193			411,829 794,541	-4.4	
Capital goods Nondefense capital goods <sup>3</sup>		82,914 74,935	82,318 71,417	-1.0 -2.8		-9.9 -12.0	81,268 71,887	84,743 78,017		78,994 71,664	,	794,541	2.0 2.9	
Excluding aircraft	62,266	63,527	62,677	-2.0	1.4	0.1	63,428	66,494	59,625	63,951	618,904	629,576	-1.7	
Defense capital goods <sup>4</sup>		7,979	10,901	16.0	-26.8	6.3	9,381	6,726	9,947	7,330	78,841	83,434	-5.5	
Consumer goods	168,237 34,383	166,661 34,379	163,917 35,370	0.9 0.0		-2.4 -4.7	176,980 37,407	167,225 34,600				1,632,160 346.825	0.6 0.0	
Consumer nondurable goods				1.2			139,573				1,294,927	1,285,335	0.7	
UNFILLED ORDERS														
All manufacturing industries 5	779,533	771,803	763,051	1.0	1.1	1.2	766,921	759,974	755,516	649,286	(X)	(X)	18.1	
Construction materials and supplies	50,593	49,823	48,338	1.5	3.1	1.2	50,135	49,884				(X)	12.9	
Information technology Computers and related products	114,050 3,395	114,323 3,970	112,605 3,874	-0.2 -14.5	1.5 2.5	0.9 6.2	112,778 3,395	112,702 3,970	110,869 3,874		(X) (X)	(X) (X)	9.1 3.5	
Motor vehicle and parts	18,938		19,531	-1.3		-4.3					(X)	(X)	-7.1	
Capital goods	586,910			1.0			577,383				(X)	(X)	21.4	
Nondefense capital goods <sup>3</sup> Excluding aircraft	439,426 181,664			1.1 0.1	1.6 0.5	0.9	434,052 179,629		422,986 177,925	335,833	(X) (X)	(X) (X)	29.2 11.2	
Defense capital goods <sup>4</sup>			146,460	0.8					143,743			(X)	2.7	
Consumer goodsConsumer durable goods	10,205 10,205		9,866 9,866	1.7 1.7	1.7 1.7	-1.7 -1.7	10,223 10,223	9,947 9,947	9,875 9,875	8,894 8,894		(X) (X)	14.9 14.9	
TOTAL INVENTORIES														
All manufacturing industries	519,999	519,659	516,627	0.1	0.6	-0.1	524,017	520,372	520,468	512,743	(X)	(X)	2.2	
Construction materials and supplies	58,963		58,605	0.3						58,868		(X)		
Information technology Computers and related products	36,716 4,429		36,337 4,444	0.5 -1.2		0.5 1.0	37,191 4,591	36,357 4,467	37,097 4,710	36,278 4,550		(X) (X)	2.5 0.9	
Motor vehicle and parts	24,143		24,373	-0.4		-1.1	24,133					(X) (X)	-4.5	
Capital goods	141,228		139,507	0.7	0.5	0.3					` '	(X)	5.4	
Nondefense capital goods <sup>3</sup> Excluding aircraft	123,753 99,621	123,085 99,012	122,676 98,708	0.5 0.6		0.4 0.3	124,767 99,987	122,569 98,194	124,309 99,917		(X) (X)	(X) (X)	5.9 3.8	
Defense capital goods <sup>4</sup>	17,475	17,189		1.7		-0.8						(X) (X)	2.4	
Consumer goods	159,230	159,740	157,494	-0.3	1.4	-0.5	163,575	162,429	159,336	158,849	(X)	(X)	3.0	
Consumer durable goods	29,254	29,058	28,826	0.7	0.8	-1.9	29,666	29,338	29,425	29,880	(X)	(X)	-0.7	
Consumer nondurable goods	129,976	130,682	128,008	-0.5	1.6	-0.2	133,909	133,091	129,911	128,969	(X)	(X)	3.8	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>p</sup> Preliminary

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X Not Applicable.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Topical series are regroupings of the separate industry categories.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Shipments and new orders are the totals for the period and are adjusted for trading-day and calendar-month variations.

<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; electromedical, measuring, 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. See note at end of Table 2 relating to survey error and revision.

Table 6. Value of Manufacturers' Inventories, by Stage of Fabrication, by Industry Group

[Millions of Dollars]	l .		Seasonally A	djusted				Not Se	asonally Adi	usted	
		Monthly	, 1		rcent Chan	ge		Mon			Percent
Industry	Oct. 2007 <sup>p</sup>	Sept. 2007 <sup>r</sup>	Aug. 2007	Sept Oct.	Aug Sept.	July - Aug.	Oct. 2007 <sup>p</sup>	Sept. 2007 <sup>r</sup>	Aug. 2007	Oct. 2006	Change Oct. 07/06
MATERIALS AND SUPPLIES											
All manufacturing industries	177,060	177,398	176,678	-0.2	0.4	0.2	178,188	177,526	177,164	176,395	1.0
Durable goods industries		105,974	106,426	0.3	-0.4	-0.4	106,901	105,951	107,090	108,263	-1.3
Wood products Nonmetallic mineral products	4,057 4,589	4,071 4,574	4,086 4,576	-0.3 0.3	-0.4 0.0	-0.6 0.3	4,322 4,575	4,194 4,593	4,085 4,636	4,585 4,421	-5.7 3.5
Primary metals	11,819	11,802	11,833	0.1	-0.3	-0.6	11,955	11,909	11,919	12,213	-2.1
Fabricated metal products Machinery	15,950 20,021	15,953 19,815	15,971 19,762	0.0 1.0	-0.1 0.3	0.3 -0.4	15,714 20,168	15,847 19,688	15,900 19,902	15,893 18,849	-1.1 7.0
Computers and electronic products	16,027	16,048	16,000	-0.1	0.3	-1.7	16,186	16,056	16,288	17,607	-8.1
Electrical equipment, appliances, and components	5,853	5,831	5,952	0.4	-2.0	0.0	5,798	5,695	5,905	5,763	0.6
Transportation equipment	16,733	16,667	16,965	0.4	-1.8	0.1	16,900	16,763	17,045	17,801	-5.1
Furniture and related products Miscellaneous products	3,843 7,403	3,816 7,397	3,837 7,444	0.7 0.1	-0.5 -0.6	-1.2 0.4	3,811 7,472	3,807 7,399	3,848 7,562	3,743 7,388	1.8 1.1
Nondurable goods industries		71,424	70,252	-0.9	1.7	1.0	71,287	71,575	70,074	68,132	4.6
Food products		13,608	13,391	-2.8	1.6	2.4 -1.7	13,874 4,405	13,468	12,939	12,706	9.2 -5.0
Beverage and tobacco products Textiles	4,418 1,239	4,408 1,234	4,521 1,250	0.2 0.4	-2.5 -1.3	0.7	1,219	4,366 1,232	4,379 1,254	4,637 1,222	-0.2
Textile products	1,357 1,118	1,362 1,100	1,361 1,108	-0.4 1.6	0.1 -0.7	0.4 -2.5	1,360 1,126	1,385 1,104	1,373 1,118	1,439 1,079	-5.5 4.4
Leather and allied products	299	304	297	-1.6	2.4	3.5	302	307	303	257	17.5
Paper products Printing	7,135 3,183	7,111 3,151	7,165 3,028	0.3 1.0	-0.8 4.1	0.5 1.4	7,092 3,241	7,109 3,269	7,135 3,129	7,148 3,276	-0.8 -1.1
Petroleum and coal products		12,998	11,990	-4.1	8.4	1.6	12,504	13,224	12,165	10,437	19.8
Chemical productsPlastics and rubber products	18,270 8,054	18,037 8,111	18,006 8,135	1.3 -0.7	0.2 -0.3	0.9 0.6	18,170 7,994	18,002 8,109	18,133 8,146	17,787 8,144	2.2 -1.8
WORK IN PROCESS	0,031	0,111	0,133	0.7	0.5	0.0	7,551	0,103	0,110	0,111	1.0
All manufacturing industries	150,607	148,849	148,328	1.2	0.4	0.0	153,032	149,115	149,546	145,642	5.1
Durable goods industries	114,276	113,125	112,875	1.0	0.2	0.4	115,283	113,143	114,065	107,900	6.8
Wood products	2,107	2,163	2,233	-2.6	-3.1	-2.1	2,104	2,162	2,238	2,317	-9.2
Nonmetallic mineral products Primary metals	1,333 9,867	1,323 9,995	1,317 10,204	0.8 -1.3	0.5 -2.0	-0.7 -1.8	1,259 9,723	1,295 9,844	1,316 10,237	1,244 9,613	1.2 1.1
Fabricated metal products	12,359	12,153	11,926	1.7	1.9	0.7	12,380	12,166	12,017	11,439	8.2
Machinery  Computers and electronic products	14,663 17,053	14,560 16,609	14,455 16,741	0.7 2.7	0.7 -0.8	2.1 0.6	14,699 17,402	14,623 16,423	14,761 17,173	13,932 17,046	5.5 2.1
Electrical equipment, appliances,							-				
and components Transportation equipment	2,930 49,313	2,884 48,866	2,858 48,586	1.6 0.9	0.9 0.6	-7.4 1.0	2,867 50,161	2,801 49,252	2,933 48,772	2,930 44,453	-2.2 12.8
Furniture and related products	1,285	1,309	1,348	-1.8	-2.9	-0.2	1,274	1,306	1,352	1,514	-15.9
Miscellaneous products	3,366	3,263	3,207	3.2	1.7	0.0	3,414	3,271	3,266	3,412	0.1
Nondurable goods industries Food products	36,331 2,778	35,724 2,743	35,453 2,795	1.7 1.3	0.8 -1.9	-1.5 1.0	37,749 3,304	35,972 2,588	35,481 2,538	37,742 3,909	0.0 -15.5
Beverage and tobacco products	4,421	4,468	4,531	-1.1	-1.4	-1.3	4,741	4,428	4,096	4,849	-2.2
Textiles Textile products	822 460	823 469	828 477	-0.1 -1.9	-0.6 -1.7	-1.8 -2.1	824 461	825 469	835 469	1,018 594	-19.1 -22.4
ApparelLeather and allied products	651 95	660 94	662 92	-1.4	-0.3	-2.8	655 93	668 94	678 95	638 109	2.7 -14.7
Paper products	1,388	1,379	1,352	1.1 0.7	2.2 2.0	-2.1 1.6	1,368	1,386	1,381	1,335	2.5
Printing Petroleum and coal products	1,503 9,275	1,547 8,559	1,521 8,314	-2.8 8.4	1.7 2.9	0.4 -1.8	1,694 9,796	1,733 8,750	1,662 8,484	1,870 7,777	-9.4 26.0
Chemical products	12,452	12,469	12,364	-0.1	0.8	-3.0	12,345	12,543	12,763	13,293	-7.1
Plastics and rubber products	2,486	2,513	2,517	-1.1	-0.2	1.5	2,468	2,488	2,480	2,350	5.0
FINISHED GOODS											
All manufacturing industries	192,332	193,412	191,621	-0.6	0.9	-0.4	192,797	193,731	193,758	190,706	1.1
Durable goods industries	94,034 4,328	94,508 4,302	93,276 4,340	-0.5 0.6	1.3 -0.9	-0.4 0.3	93,153 4,149	93,279 4,182	93,988 4,296	92,358 4,549	0.9 -8.8
Nonmetallic mineral products	6,012	6,031	5,981	-0.3	0.8	0.3	5,747	5,852	5,895	5,845	-1.7
Primary metalsFabricated metal products	9,314 13,615	9,573 13,468	9,614 13,358	-2.7 1.1	-0.4 0.8	0.6 -2.6	9,037 13,361	9,474 13,119	9,557 13,234	9,294 13,311	-2.8 0.4
Machinery	17,000	17,155	16,903	-0.9	1.5	-0.3	16,790	16,878	16,735	16,083	4.4
Computers and electronic products Electrical equipment, appliances,	10,372	10,638	10,375	-2.5	2.5	3.1	10,468	10,607	10,628	9,927	5.4
and components	5,761	5,608	5,541	2.7	1.2	2.5	5,722	5,398	5,555	5,242	9.2
Transportation equipment Furniture and related products	12,205 3,392	12,433 3,385	12,106 3,351	-1.8 0.2	2.7 1.0	-3.5 0.2	12,240 3,396	12,375 3,385	12,724 3,426	13,186 3,665	-7.2 -7.3
Miscellaneous products	12,035	11,915	11,707	1.0	1.8	-0.9	12,243	12,009	11,938	11,256	8.8
Nondurable goods industries	98,298	98,904	98,345	-0.6	0.6	-0.3	99,644	100,452	99,770	98,348	1.3
Food products Beverage and tobacco products	21,146 5,766	21,282 5,719	21,508 5,632	-0.6 0.8	-1.1 1.5	0.5 0.4	22,486 6,072	22,343 5,899	22,197 5,816	20,948 5,540	7.3 9.6
Textiles	1,759	1,779	1,748	-1.1	1.8	2.1	1,733	1,756	1,770	1,796	-3.5
Textile products	1,655 2,228	1,644 2,221	1,639 2,158	0.7 0.3	0.3 2.9	0.3 -5.3	1,664 2,264	1,645 2,378	1,663 2,312	1,664 2,107	0.0 7.5
Leather and allied products	504	492	512	2.4	-3.9	-2.5	503	500	528	504	-0.2
Paper products Printing		6,847 1,934	6,811 1,949	0.3 2.2	0.5 -0.8	-0.1 -2.2	6,777 2,042	6,753 1,987	6,777 2,048	6,798 2,035	-0.3 0.3
Petroleum and coal products	13,589	13,827	13,443	-1.7	2.9	-1.2	13,743	14,527	13,971	15,168	-9.4
Chemical productsPlastics and rubber products	32,679 10,127	32,978 10,181	32,759 10,186	-0.9 -0.5	0.7 0.0	-0.4 -0.1	32,325 10,035	32,580 10,084	32,801 9,887	31,851 9,937	1.5 1.0
	. 0,127	. 0,101	. 5,100	0.5	0.0	0.1	. 0,033	. 0,001	3,007	3,337	1.0

Table 7. Ratios of Manufacturers' Inventories to Shipments and Unfilled Orders to Shipments, by Industry Group

[Based on Seasonally Adjusted data]

	Inven	tory/Shi	oments r	atio	Unfilled	Orders/	Shipmen	ts ratio¹
Industry	Oct 2007 <sup>p</sup>	Sep 2007 <sup>r</sup>	Aug 2007	Jul 2007	Oct 2007 <sup>p</sup>	Sep 2007 <sup>r</sup>	Aug 2007	Jul 2007
All manufacturing industries 2	1.23	1.24	1.24	1.22	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
Durable goods industries 2	1.47 1.35 1.26 1.51 1.60 1.84 1.29 1.33 1.37 1.22 1.74	1.48 1.33 1.26 1.56 1.60 1.80 1.31 1.33 1.38 1.23 1.76	1.45 1.32 1.24 1.58 1.56 1.83 1.30 1.31 1.30 1.23 1.70	1.55 1.56 1.80 1.31 1.32 1.23 1.23	3.49 4.98 2.33 12.03 1.25 (X)	5.17 (X) (X) (X) 1.311 2.288 3.35 4.90 2.35 12.14 1.25 (X) (X)	5.06 (X) (X) 1.322 2.24 3.33 4.94 2.37 11.43 1.22 (X) (X)	4.93 (X) (X) (X) 1.30 2.21 3.23 5.08 2.38 10.70 1.26 (X)
Nondurable goods industries. Food products. Beverage and tobacco products. Textiles. Textile products. Apparel. Leather and allied products. Paper products. Printing. Petroleum and coal products. Chemical products. Plastics and rubber products.	0.98 0.76 1.24 1.32 1.47 1.52 1.11 0.78 0.78 1.17	1.00 0.77 1.30 1.33 1.27 1.45 1.48 1.10 0.78 0.80 1.19 1.22	1.01 0.77 1.24 1.33 1.25 1.41 1.56 1.11 0.76 0.84 1.20	0.77 1.30 1.31 1.24 1.56 1.61 1.10 0.76	(X) (X) (X) (X) (X) (X) (X) (X)	88888888888	88888888888	8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>p</sup> Preliminary r Revised

Table 8. Revisions to Previously Published Monthly Percent Changes

[Based on Seasonally Adjusted data]

	Ship	ments	New C	Orders	Unfilled	Orders	Invent	tories
Industry	Oct <sup>1</sup> 2007	Oct <sup>2</sup> 2006- Sep 2007	Oct <sup>1</sup> 2007	Oct <sup>2</sup> 2006- Sep 2007	Oct <sup>1</sup> 2007	Oct <sup>2</sup> 2006- Sep 2007	Oct <sup>1</sup> 2007	Oct <sup>2</sup> 2006- Sep 2007
All manufacturing industries	(X)	0.2	(X)	0.4	(X)	0.1	(X)	0.1
Durable goods industries.  Wood products.  Nonmetallic mineral products.  Fabricated metal products.  Machinery.  Computers and electronic products.  Electrical equipment, appliances, and components.  Transportation equipment.  Furniture and related products.  Nondurable goods industries.  Food products.  Beverage and tobacco products.  Textiles.  Textiles.  Textiles.  Textile products.  Apparel  Leather and allied products.  Paper products.	0.2 (X) (X) 0.2 0.1 -0.3 0.4 (X) (X) (X) (X) (X) (X) (X) (X) (X) (X)	0.3 1.5 0.5 0.5 0.3 0.5 0.9 0.7 0.4 0.5 0.3 0.4 0.9 0.8 1.0 0.6 0.3 0.9	0.2 (%) (%) (%) (%) (%) (%) (%) (%) (%) (%)	0.5 (NA) (NA) 1.66 (0.5 0.8 1.1 1.2 1.77 0.6 (NA) (NA) (NA) (NA) (NA) (NA) (NA) (NA)	0.0 (%) (%) (%) (%) (%) (%) (%) (%) (%) (%)	0.1 (NA) (NA) 0.9 0.2 0.3 0.3 0.1 10.7 0.5 (NA) (NA) (NA) (NA) (NA) (NA) (NA) (NA)	0.1 (X) (X) (-3.3) -0.1 0.0 0.6 (X) (X) (X) (X) (X) (X) (X) (X)	0.1 0.4 0.1 0.2 0.3 0.3 0.3 0.2 0.3 0.2 0.3 0.4 0.8 0.3 0.9 0.9 0.8
Chemical products Plastics and rubber products	(X) (X)	0.3	(X) (X)	(NA) (NA)	(X) (X)	(NA) (NA)	(X) (X)	0.3

X Not Applicable

NA Not Available

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</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>lt;sup>2</sup> Unfilled orders to shipments ratio excludes semiconductor manufacturing.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</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>2</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. This survey provides statistics on 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). The M3 includes approximately 4,200 reporting units. Units may be divisions of diversified large companies, large homogenous companies, or single-unit manufacturers in 89 industry categories. Due to the small monthly sample, these 89 categories have been combined into 59 publication levels. The survey methodology assumes that the month-to-month changes of the total operations of those companies in the monthly survey effectively represent the month-to-month movements of all establishments that make up the category. The current coverage levels in the survey show that reported data in the monthly survey represent approximately 62 percent of the shipments estimates at the total manufacturing level. Data published represent manufacturing in a calendar month. The data collection is based on a voluntary survey authorized by Title 13 of the United States Code.

The data presented in this release are based on data obtained from a panel of 4,200 reporting units and provide an indication of the activity within the manufacturing sector. The results differ from what would be obtained from a complete enumeration of all manufacturing companies. In addition, a different panel of 4,200 companies would yield different results. The M3 panel is comprised of companies with \$500 million or more in shipments and a limited number of smaller companies. From a statistical perspective, the panel is not 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.

#### 2008 Release Dates for M3 Survey

Survey Month	Advance 8:30 A.M.	Preliminary 10:00 A.M.
Nov 2007	December 27, 2007	January 3, 2008
Dec 2007	January 29, 2008	February 4, 2008
Jan 2008	February 27, 2008	March 5, 2008
Feb 2008	March 26, 2008	April 2, 2008
Mar 2008	April 24, 2008	May 2, 2008
Apr 2008	May 28, 2008	June 3, 2008
May 2008	June 25, 2008	July 2, 2008
Jun 2008	July 25, 2008	August 4, 2008
Jul 2008	August 27, 2008	September 3, 2008
Aug 2008	September 25, 2008	October 2, 2008
Sep 2008	October 29, 2008	November 4, 2008
Oct 2008	November 26, 2008	December 4, 2008
Nov 2008	December 24, 2008	