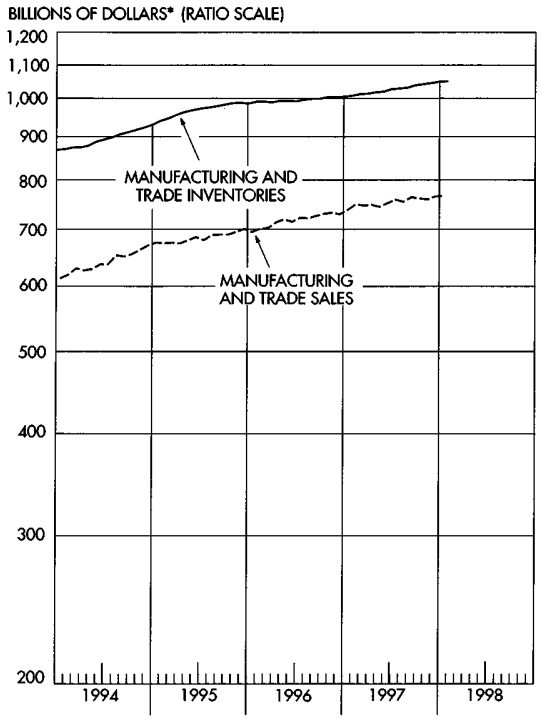
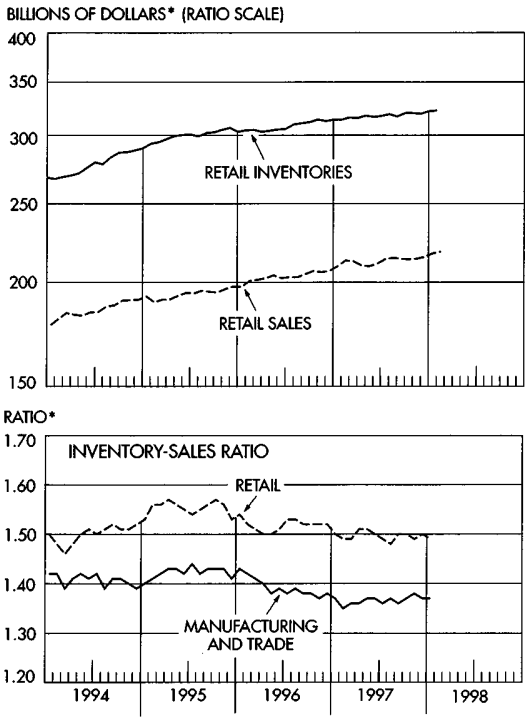
BUSINESS SALES AND INVENTORIES—Manufacturing and Trade

In January, manufacturing and trade sales were about unchanged, while inventories rose $0.8 billion. According to advance data, retail sales rose 0.5 percent in February, following a rise of 1.0 percent in January.





* SEASONALLY ADJUSTED
SOURCE: DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

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Period	Manufacturing and trade [1]		Wholesale		Retail						Inventory-sales ratio [4]	
					Sales [2]			Inventories [3]				
	Sales [2]	Inventories [3]	Sales [2]	Inventories [3]	Total	Durable goods stores	Nondurable goods stores	Total	Durable goods stores	Nondurable goods stores	Manufacturing and trade [1]	Retail
	Millions of dollars, seasonally adjusted, except as noted											
1988	497,157	767,222	134,521	178,801	138,017	52,430	85,587	219,047	112,453	106,594	1.49	1.54
1989	527,039	815,455	143,760	187,009	146,581	54,763	91,818	237,234	121,347	115,887	1.52	1.58
1990	545,909	840,396	149,506	195,550	153,718	55,736	97,981	239,773	121,105	118,668	1.52	1.55
1991	542,815	834,287	148,306	200,062	154,661	54,165	100,497	243,275	119,039	124,236	1.53	1.54
1992	567,176	842,204	154,150	207,663	162,632	58,634	103,999	251,994	122,948	129,046	1.48	1.52
1993	595,049	867,513	161,681	215,878	172,732	64,677	108,055	267,497	133,624	133,873	1.44	1.51
1994	637,585	930,049	172,973	234,893	185,610	72,784	112,826	290,128	149,840	140,288	1.41	1.50
1995	681,597	985,905	188,811	253,066	193,670	77,085	116,585	303,750	159,767	143,983	1.42	1.55
1996	716,763	1,004,708	201,723	256,178	203,775	82,778	120,997	314,096	166,152	147,944	1.39	1.52
1997 r	751,837	1,047,574	210,621	272,529	212,155	86,731	125,423	321,454	171,794	149,660	1.37	1.50
1997: Jan r	736,480	1,007,321	207,448	257,522	209,307	85,061	124,246	314,056	165,919	148,137	1.37	1.50
Feb	r 747,423	1,011,899	211,801	258,088	r 212,655	r 87,813	r 124,842	315,938	167,380	148,558	1.35	r 1.49
Mar	745,460	1,013,376	210,195	259,389	212,342	87,042	125,300	315,427	167,444	147,983	1.36	1.49
Apr	746,769	1,017,150	209,926	258,046	209,934	85,472	124,462	317,596	168,701	148,895	1.36	1.51
May	742,945	1,019,025	210,008	259,029	209,370	84,759	124,611	316,536	167,928	148,608	1.37	1.51
June	750,027	1,026,255	210,772	264,154	210,940	85,762	125,178	317,278	168,696	148,582	1.37	1.50
July	757,485	1,027,787	211,041	262,314	213,549	87,228	126,321	318,871	169,863	149,008	1.36	1.49
Aug	752,886	1,030,243	208,336	264,899	214,372	88,014	126,358	316,897	168,855	148,042	1.37	1.48
Sept	762,543	1,037,172	213,372	268,112	213,805	87,025	126,780	319,908	170,573	149,335	1.36	1.50
Oct	759,880	1,040,265	212,229	268,183	213,517	86,863	126,654	319,943	171,376	148,567	1.37	1.50
Nov	757,708	1,043,460	210,919	270,004	213,834	87,610	126,224	319,274	170,805	148,469	1.38	1.49
Dec r	764,311	1,047,574	212,679	272,529	214,898	89,031	125,867	321,454	171,794	149,660	1.37	1.50
1998: Jan p	764,182	1,048,391	213,341	271,231	r 216,955	r 90,228	r 126,727	322,180	171,087	151,093	1.37	1.49
Feb p	.....	.....	.....	.....	218,051	90,708	127,343	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

[1] See page 21 for manufacturing.
[2] Annual data are averages of monthly not seasonally adjusted figures; monthly data are seasonally adjusted totals for month.
[3] Seasonally adjusted, end of period.
[4] Annual data are averages of seasonally adjusted monthly ratios.
Source: Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census.

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