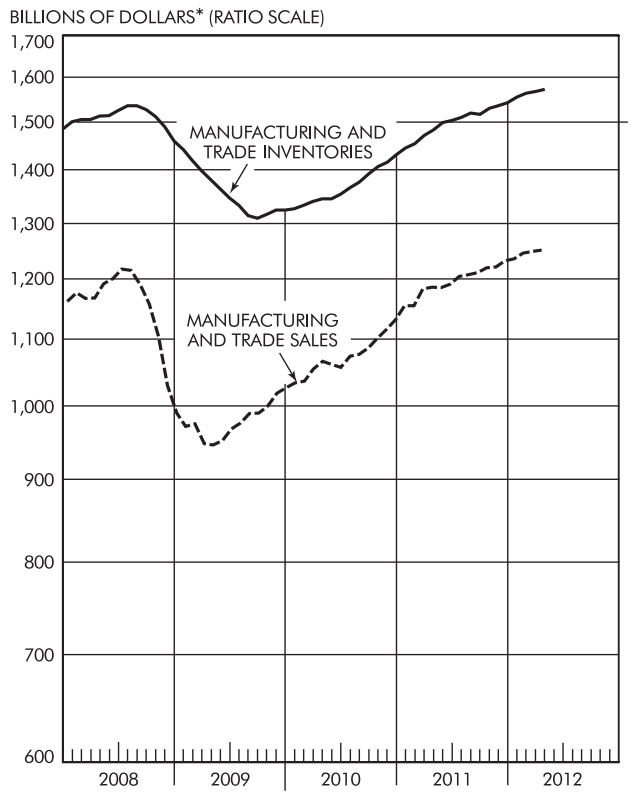
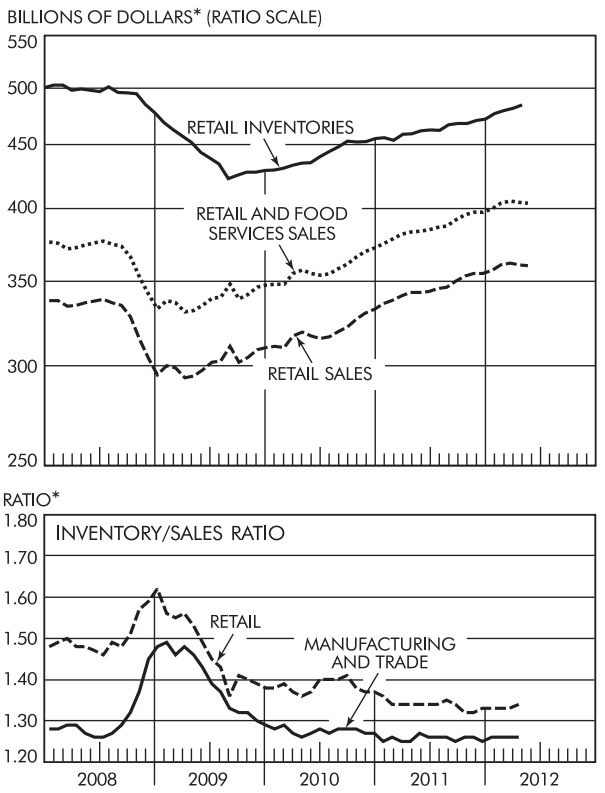
Business Sales and Inventories—Manufacturing and Trade

In April, according to preliminary estimates, manufacturing and trade sales rose 0.2 percent while inventories rose $4.7 billion. According to advance estimates, retail sales fell 0.2 percent in May. Retail and food services sales also fell 0.2 percent.





*SEASONALLY ADJUSTED
SOURCE: DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

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[Millions of dollars, except ratios; seasonally adjusted, except as noted]

Period	Manufacturing and trade [1]			Wholesale			Retail			Retail and food services sales [2]
	Sales [2]	Inventories [3]	Inventory/sales ratio [4]	Sales [2]	Inventories [3]	Inventory/sales ratio [4]	Sales [2]	Inventories [3]	Inventory/sales ratio [4]	
2002	823,234	1,139,378	1.36	236,294	301,436	1.26	260,713	415,018	1.55	288,256
2003	854,182	1,147,472	1.34	247,651	308,055	1.23	271,915	431,201	1.56	301,059
2004	924,912	1,240,555	1.30	276,367	339,431	1.18	289,464	460,364	1.56	320,594
2005	1,003,802	1,312,940	1.27	301,115	367,505	1.18	307,514	471,514	1.51	340,552
2006	1,066,154	1,407,372	1.28	325,351	398,586	1.18	322,840	486,218	1.49	358,073
2007	1,124,417	1,486,675	1.29	347,857	424,806	1.18	333,271	500,034	1.48	370,317
2008	1,153,856	1,461,254	1.32	369,315	442,249	1.22	328,867	477,444	1.51	366,876
2009	978,862	1,323,831	1.39	308,268	389,908	1.31	302,302	429,287	1.46	339,892
2010	1,074,209	1,433,794	1.28	344,361	429,260	1.18	320,128	455,295	1.38	358,961
2011	1,193,570	1,544,057	1.26	389,778	471,549	1.17	346,179	471,683	1.34	387,304
2011: Apr [r]	1,185,110	1,485,294	1.25	388,422	446,698	1.15	343,431	459,306	1.34	383,810
May [r]	1,184,365	1,500,639	1.27	387,051	454,942	1.18	343,381	461,685	1.34	384,249
June	1,190,288	1,504,805	1.26	389,296	456,715	1.17	344,159	462,447	1.34	385,266
July	1,203,574	1,511,352	1.26	390,187	460,271	1.18	345,892	462,206	1.34	386,928
Aug	1,206,374	1,520,855	1.26	395,149	462,065	1.17	346,636	466,991	1.35	387,838
Sept	1,210,244	1,518,645	1.25	395,783	459,278	1.16	350,582	468,199	1.34	392,354
Oct	1,218,605	1,531,631	1.26	398,145	465,787	1.17	353,856	468,273	1.32	395,995
Nov	1,220,328	1,537,417	1.26	398,316	466,121	1.17	355,620	470,650	1.32	397,868
Dec	1,230,951	1,544,057	1.25	404,636	471,549	1.17	355,554	471,683	1.33	398,012
2012: Jan	1,234,843	1,556,397	1.26	404,708	474,580	1.17	357,535	476,837	1.33	400,550
Feb	1,244,716	1,564,986	1.26	408,970	478,923	1.17	361,364	479,395	1.33	404,692
Mar [r]	1,247,697	1,569,020	1.26	410,559	480,495	1.17	362,448	481,335	1.33	406,200
Apr [p]	1,250,014	1,573,702	1.26	415,018	483,504	1.17	[r]361,336	484,320	1.34	[r]405,287
May [p]	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	360,719	.....	.....	404,596

[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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