

TABLE 6b.—*Inventory-sales ratios,¹ manufacturing and trade*

Year and month	Merchant wholesalers			Retail trade			
	Total wholesale	Durable goods establishments	Nondurable goods establishments	Total retail	Automotive stores	Other durable goods stores	Nondurable goods stores
1963—January.....	1.17	1.55	0.87	1.38	1.28	2.50	1.19
February.....	1.14	1.55	.83	1.39	1.32	2.50	1.19
March.....	1.14	1.55	.84	1.39	1.33	2.47	1.19
April.....	1.13	1.53	.84	1.39	1.31	2.46	1.21
May.....	1.15	1.57	.84	1.40	1.34	2.49	1.21
June.....	1.15	1.56	.85	1.39	1.28	2.50	1.20
July.....	1.13	1.54	.84	1.39	1.30	2.47	1.20
August.....	1.15	1.55	.85	1.39	1.32	2.49	1.19
September.....	1.15	1.53	.86	1.40	1.38	2.42	1.21
October.....	1.16	1.54	.87	1.39	1.30	2.37	1.22
November.....	1.18	1.56	.90	1.41	1.40	2.40	1.21
December.....	1.16	1.54	.88	1.40	1.39	2.46	1.20
1964—January.....	1.15	1.53	.86	1.41	1.41	2.48	1.20
February.....	1.15	1.52	.87	1.40	1.36	2.38	1.20
March.....	1.15	1.50	.89	1.41	1.47	2.44	1.18
April.....	1.16	1.51	.89	1.41	1.45	2.52	1.19
May.....	1.14	1.48	.88	1.41	1.43	2.48	1.18
June.....	1.14	1.50	.87	1.41	1.50	2.45	1.18
July.....	1.13	1.48	.86	1.41	1.47	2.48	1.18
August.....	1.13	1.47	.87	1.39	1.38	2.45	1.18
September.....	1.14	1.51	.87	1.40	1.38	2.49	1.19
October.....	1.13	1.50	.85	1.42	1.56	2.48	1.18
November.....	1.13	1.48	.85	1.41	1.49	2.48	1.18
December.....	1.13	1.49	.85	1.37	1.23	2.53	1.18
1965—January.....	1.15	1.50	.87	1.38	1.25	2.53	1.19
February.....	1.17	1.50	.90	1.37	1.27	2.55	1.17
March.....	1.13	1.49	.85	1.42	1.38	2.63	1.19
April.....	1.14	1.49	.87	1.43	1.45	2.65	1.19
May.....	1.15	1.48	.89	1.41	1.47	2.57	1.17
June.....	1.15	1.51	.87	1.43	1.48	2.57	1.19
July.....	1.14	1.50	.87	1.41	1.45	2.55	1.18
August.....	1.15	1.50	.87	1.44	1.58	2.56	1.18
September.....	1.15	1.51	.87	1.41	1.51	2.55	1.16
October.....	1.15	1.51	.87	1.38	1.49	2.42	1.15
November.....	1.12	1.47	.85	1.38	1.50	2.36	1.14
December.....	1.13	1.47	.86	1.40	1.46	2.41	1.18
1966—January.....	1.07	1.40	.81	1.39	1.48	2.35	1.16
February.....	1.11	1.43	.84	1.39	1.52	2.40	1.16
March.....	1.09	1.39	.83	1.37	1.43	2.34	1.16
April.....	1.12	1.45	.84	1.42	1.61	2.47	1.16
May.....	1.13	1.48	.85	1.47	1.81	2.63	1.16
June.....	1.11	1.48	.82	1.43	1.66	2.59	1.15
July.....	1.14	1.49	.86	1.43	1.62	2.58	1.16
August.....	1.15	1.50	.86	1.42	1.52	2.51	1.17
September.....	1.15	1.52	.86	1.41	1.53	2.54	1.16
October.....	1.17	1.55	.87	1.44	1.62	2.55	1.17
November.....	1.21	1.61	.90	1.43	1.72	2.49	1.15
December.....	1.22	1.61	.91	1.46	1.71	2.47	1.19
1967—January.....	1.21	1.62	.89	1.44	1.71	2.40	1.17
February.....	1.23	1.62	.92	1.44	1.75	2.43	1.15
March.....	1.24	1.65	.92	1.42	1.63	2.43	1.16
April ²	1.22	1.67	.88	1.40	1.58	2.51	1.14

¹ Based on seasonally adjusted data. End-of-month inventories divided by sales for month.² Preliminary.

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Office of Business Economics and Bureau of the Census.