TABLE 4-di: DIFFERENCE BETWEEN PREDICTED AND OBSERVED WAGE-CHANGE RATIOS

	Periods Used for Ratios		
	54–57 63–66	54-56 64-66	54–55 65–66
Industry			
Visible Group			
Ordnance and Accessories	0.1836	0.2583	0.4452
Primary Metals	-0.0071	-0.0350	-0.1020
Fabricated Metal Products	0.0058	0.0004	-0.0110
Machinery	0.0052	-0.0166	0.0128
Electrical Equipment	0.0360	0.0564	0.0919
Transportation Equipment	0.0085	0.0563	0.0008
Chemicals and Allied Products	-0.0146	-0.0324	-0.0323
Petroleum and Related Products	-0.0420	-0.0319	-0.0192
Rubber and Plastic Products	0.0140	0.0037	-0.0320
Mean	0.0210	0.0288	0.0394
Mean Excluding Ordnance Accessories	0.0007	0.0001	-0.0114
Invisible Group			
Lumber and Wood Products	-0.0160	-0.0293	-0.0697
Furniture and Fixtures	-0.0249	-0.0379	-0.0558
Stone, Clay and Glass Products	-0.0268	-0.0269	-0.0655
Tobacco Manufacturers	-0.0400	-0.1005	-0.0883
Textile Mill Products	-0.0158	-0.0242	-0.0398
Paper and Allied Products	-0.0343	-0.0357	-0.0266
Leather and Leather Products	-0.0313	-0.0167	-0.0478
Mean	-0.0270	-0.0439	-0.0562
statistic for difference			
between observed means:			
all industries:	1.94**	1.98**	1.55*
excl. ord. and acces:	3.00***	2.51**	2.13**
significant at: * 10 per cent level			
** 5 per cent level			1
*** 1 per cent level		1.1	. *

must now try to disprove the impact of guideposts rather than the other way around.

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