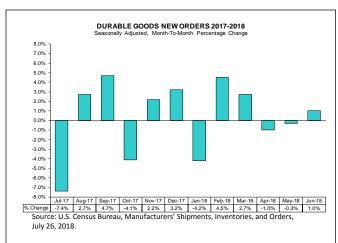
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# MONTHLY ADVANCE REPORT ON MANUFACTURERS' SHIPMENTS, INVENTORIES AND ORDERS JUNE 2018

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**July 26, 2018** — The U.S. Census Bureau announces the June advance report on manufacturers' shipments, inventories and orders:





#### **New Orders**

New orders for manufactured durable goods in June increased \$2.5 billion or 1.0 percent to \$251.9 billion, the U.S. Census Bureau announced today. This increase, up following two consecutive monthly decreases, followed a 0.3 percent May decrease. Excluding transportation, new orders increased 0.4 percent. Excluding defense, new orders increased 1.5 percent. Transportation equipment, also up following two consecutive monthly decreases, led the increase, \$1.9 billion or 2.2 percent to \$87.7 billion.

#### **Shipments**

Shipments of manufactured durable goods in June, up ten of the last eleven months, increased \$4.1 billion or 1.7 percent to \$251.6 billion. This followed a 0.2 percent May increase. Transportation equipment, up following two consecutive monthly decreases, led the increase, \$3.1 billion or 3.8 percent to \$85.3 billion.

#### **Unfilled Orders**

Unfilled orders for manufactured durable goods in June, up seven of the last eight months, increased \$4.4 billion or 0.4 percent to \$1,165.1 billion. This followed a 0.5 percent May increase. Transportation equipment, also up seven of the last eight months, led the increase, \$2.4 billion or 0.3 percent to \$802.3 billion.

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#### **Inventories**

Inventories of manufactured durable goods in June, down following seventeen consecutive monthly increases, decreased \$0.4 billion or 0.1 percent to \$402.8 billion. This followed a 0.3 percent May increase. Transportation equipment, down following two consecutive monthly increases, drove the decrease, \$1.8 billion or 1.4 percent to \$126.9 billion.

## **Capital Goods**

Nondefense new orders for capital goods in June increased \$1.8 billion or 2.3 percent to \$78.6 billion. Shipments increased \$1.8 billion or 2.3 percent to \$78.4 billion. Unfilled orders increased \$0.2 billion or virtually unchanged to \$714.2 billion. Inventories decreased \$1.7 billion or 1.0 percent to \$174.8 billion. Defense new orders for capital goods in June decreased \$1.6 billion or 11.6 percent to \$12.0 billion. Shipments decreased \$0.1 billion or 0.7 percent to \$11.5 billion. Unfilled orders increased \$0.5 billion or 0.3 percent to \$147.7 billion. Inventories increased \$0.4 billion or 1.9 percent to \$22.9 billion.

### **Revised May Data**

Revised seasonally adjusted May figures for all manufacturing industries were: new orders, \$498.4 billion (revised from \$498.2 billion); shipments, \$496.5 billion (revised from \$496.1 billion); unfilled orders, \$1,160.7 billion (revised from \$1,160.8 billion) and total inventories, \$668.4 billion (unchanged).

Revised and more detailed estimates, plus nondurable goods data, will be published on August 2, 2018, at 10:00 a.m. EDT. The Advance Report on durable goods for July is scheduled for release on August 24, 2018 at 8:30 a.m. EDT. View the full schedule in the Economic Briefing

Room: < www.census.gov/economic-indicators/>. The full text and tables of this release can be found at < www.census.gov/m3>.

#### **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

Figures in text are adjusted for seasonality, but not for inflation. Figures on new and unfilled orders exclude data for semiconductor manufacturing.

"Virtually unchanged" indicates that the change is less than 0.05 percent for a percent increase or decrease.

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## **Description of the survey**

This report is compiled from results of the U.S. Census Bureau's Manufacturers' Shipments, Inventories, and Orders (M3) survey, which is a voluntary survey authorized by Title 13 of the United States Code. This survey provides statistics on a calendar-month basis for 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). Data published from the M3 survey are based on a panel of approximately 5,000 reporting units that represent approximately 3,100 companies and provide an indication of month-to-month change for the Manufacturing Sector. These reporting units may be divisions of diversified large companies, large homogenous companies, or single-unit manufacturers in 92 industry categories, which are combined into 65 publication levels due to the small monthly panel size. The survey methodology assumes that the month-tomonth changes of the total operations of the reporting units in the M3 panel effectively represent the monthto-month movements of all establishments that make up the category. The companies for which shipments data are currently reported or imputed in the M3 survey represent approximately 64 percent of the total value of shipments for manufacturing establishments in the 2012 Economic Census, and these companies include almost two-thirds of the manufacturing companies with \$500 million or more in shipments in the 2012 Economic Census. The companies for which shipments data are currently reported in the M3 survey represent approximately 57 percent of the total value of shipments for manufacturing establishments in the 2012 Economic Census. Statistics based on the M3 panel differ from the results that would be obtained from a complete enumeration of all manufacturing companies. The M3 panel is not based on 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:

<www.census.gov/manufacturing/m3/how the data are collected/index.html>.

#### **RESOURCES**

#### **API**

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#### **NEW TIME SERIES**

Beginning with the release of June 2018 data on July 26, 2018, historical estimates of the Monthly Advance Report on Manufacturers' Shipments, Inventories and Orders are available on a seasonally adjusted basis as well as a not seasonally adjusted basis at: <a href="https://www.census.gov/econ/currentdata/">https://www.census.gov/econ/currentdata/</a>. Also, monthly data for the Advance report are available in the Census Application Programming Interface (API).

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Table 1. Durable Goods Manufacturers' Shipments and New Orders 1

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ltem	Monthly			Percent Change			Monthly			tujuotou	Year to Date	
	Jun 2018 <sup>2</sup>	May 2018 <sup>r</sup>	Apr 2018	May - Jun <sup>2</sup>	Apr - May <sup>r</sup>	Mar - Apr	Jun 2018 <sup>2</sup>	May 2018 <sup>r</sup>	Jun 2017	2018	2017	Percent Change 2018/2017
DURABLE GOODS												
Total:												
Shipments	251,603	247,482	247,002	1.7	0.2	0.0	270,278		255,147	1,485,005	1,390,084	6.8
New Orders <sup>4</sup>	251,884	249,402	250,109	1.0	-0.3	-1.0	272,676	253,154	267,331	1,496,440	1,380,455	8.4
Excluding transportation:												
Shipments New Orders <sup>4</sup>	166,290 164,179	165,288 163,585	164,358 163,074	0.6 0.4	0.6 0.3	1.2 1.9	178,076 174,045		166,619 161,718	980,582 977,326	910,113 903,776	7.7 8.1
	104,175	100,000	100,074	0.4	0.5	1.5	174,040	100,004	101,710	377,020	300,110	0.1
Excluding defense: Shipments	238,267	233,940	233,113	1.8	0.4	-0.6	255,886	241,327	241,746	1,407,281	1,319,044	6.7
New Orders <sup>4</sup>	236,831	233,344	236,709	1.5	-1.4	-1.5	252,535		250,183	1,413,063	1,311,958	7.7
Manufacturing with unfilled orders:												
Shipments	175,699	173,973	171,606	1.0	1.4	-0.4	190,265	179,503	178,313	1,034,915	963,029	7.5
New Orders	180,069	180,021	178,501	0.0	0.9	-1.9	196,326	181,560	194,005	1,068,757	976,055	9.5
Primary metals:	04.474	04.077	04.000	0.0	0.4	0.5	00.404	00.540	40.004	407.005	444 704	44.5
Shipments New Orders	21,471 21,825	21,277 21,922	21,308 21,942	0.9 -0.4	-0.1 -0.1	2.5 2.5	22,431 22,635	22,548 22,576	19,361 19,347	127,965 131,236	111,731 113,027	14.5 16.1
Fabricated metal products:												
Shipments	32,972	32,740	32,646	0.7	0.3	2.2	34,748	34,276	32,082	194,553	176,425	10.3
New Orders	33,488	33,454	33,876	0.1	-1.2	3.4	34,493	35,643	31,729	202,251	181,674	11.3
Machinery:												
Shipments	32,816	32,589 33,023	32,195 32,459	0.7 0.2	1.2 1.7	0.4	35,621	33,908	33,621	196,914	182,618	7.8 6.6
New Orders	33,079	33,023	32,459	0.2	1.7	1.7	35,120	33,827	33,464	200,035	187,732	0.0
Computers and electronic products <sup>4</sup> : Shipments	26,671	26,664	26,478	0.0	0.7	1.6	29,219	25,117	27,755	153,537	145,270	5.7
New Orders	23,243	23,096	22,951	0.6	0.6	1.9	25,815		23,836	134,251	124,773	7.6
Computers and related products:												
Shipments	1,734	1,806	1,820	-4.0	-0.8	11.6	2,254	1,623	2,885	10,080	11,933	-15.5
New Orders	1,740	1,815	1,830	-4.1	-0.8	6.3	2,260	1,632	2,925	10,223	12,051	-15.2
Communications equipment:												
Shipments New Orders	3,536 3,726	3,433 3,725	3,487 3,492	3.0 0.0	-1.5 6.7	3.2 4.0	4,321 4,340	3,197 3,304	3,807 3,851	19,975 21,051	17,884 19,486	11.7 8.0
	3,720	3,723	3,432	0.0	0.7	4.0	4,540	3,304	3,031	21,001	13,400	0.0
Electrical equipment, appliances, and components:												
Shipments	11,386	11,269	11,262	1.0	0.1	0.7	12,361	11,472	11,784	66,639	63,292	5.3
New Orders	11,492	11,327	11,379	1.5	-0.5	0.9	12,277	11,538	11,481	67,413	64,207	5.0
Transportation equipment: Shipments	85,313	82,194	82,644	3.8	-0.5	-2.4	92,202	84,837	88,528	504,423	479,971	5.1
New Orders	87,705	85,817	87,035	2.2	-1.4	-6.1	98,631	85,060	105,613	519,114	476,679	8.9
Motor vehicles and parts:												
Shipments	57,917	55,433	58,001	4.5	-4.4	1.6	60,870		58,775	348,961	331,137	5.4
New Orders	57,868	55,404	58,001	4.4	-4.5	1.2	60,188	57,560	58,356	348,860	331,972	5.1
Nondefense aircraft and parts:	44.004	40.405	40.004	0.4	00.0	07.4	40.040	40.040	45.057	77.040	75 400	0.0
Shipments New Orders	14,224 14,678	13,405 14,076	10,884 15,930	6.1 4.3	23.2 -11.6	-27.1 -30.3	16,840 18,040	13,842 12,998	15,857 30,121	77,348 86,280	75,400 74,919	2.6 15.2
Defense aircraft and parts:	, , ,	,-	.,				.,.	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	,		, ,	
Shipments	4,313	4,560	4,412	-5.4	3.4	5.6	5,025	4,539	5,281	25,619	25,120	2.0
New Orders	6,570	5,467	4,017	20.2	36.1	12.2	8,715	4,404	5,048	26,612	27,070	-1.7
All other durable goods:												
Shipments	40,974	40,749	40,469	0.6	0.7	0.4	43,696		42,016	240,974	230,777	4.4
New Orders	41,052	40,763	40,467	0.7	0.7	0.7	43,705	42,466	41,861	242,140	232,363	4.2
Capital goods <sup>3</sup> :		00.450				0.5			04 ==0	E00.040	404.40	
Shipments New Orders	89,844 90,532	88,150 90,340	86,095 90,170	1.9 0.2	2.4 0.2	-2.5 -4.9	98,929 102,518		91,770 108,964	520,349 536,735	481,167 487,340	8.1 10.1
Nondefense capital goods:	30,032	30,040	30,170	0.2	0.2	7.5	.52,510	31,211	. 50,504	300,730	707,040	10.1
Shipments	78,382	76,603	74,026	2.3	3.5	-4.7	86,783	77,195	80,960	453,968	422,274	7.5
New Orders	78,576	76,817	78,584	2.3	-2.2	-6.7	86,786		94,520	466,552	432,830	7.8
Excluding aircraft:												
Shipments	68,094	67,392	67,243	1.0	0.2	0.8	74,289	67,473	70,076	401,706	373,593	7.5
New Orders	68,750	68,327	67,838	0.6	0.7	2.0	73,798	68,149	69,087	408,021	381,886	6.8
Defense capital goods:												
Shipments	11,462	11,547	12,069	-0.7	-4.3	13.3	12,146		10,810	66,381	58,893 54,510	12.7
New Orders	11,956	13,523	11,586	-11.6	16.7	9.0	15,732	11,425	14,444	70,183	54,510	28.8

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>r</sup> Revised data due to late receipts and concurrent seasonal adjustment.

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The Capital Goods Industries include Nondefense: 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; electronic 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. Defense Capital Goods include: small arms and ordnance, communications equipment, aircraft; missiles, space vehicles, and parts, ships and boats, and search and navigation equipment.

\*Estimates and percent changes of shipments and inventories for the semiconductor industry are included in computers and electronic products, and all other applicable aggregate totals. Estimates and percent changes of shipments and inventories for the semiconductor industry data.

Table 2. Durable Goods Manufacturers' Unfilled Orders and Total Inventories 1

[Estimates are shown in millions of dollars and are based on data from the Manufacturers' Shipments, Inventories, and Orders Survey.]

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ltem	Jun	May	Apr	May -	Apr -	Mar -	Jun	May	Jun	2018/
	2018 <sup>2</sup>	2018 <sup>r</sup>	2018	Jun <sup>2</sup>	May <sup>r</sup>	Apr	2018 <sup>2</sup>	2018 <sup>r</sup>	2017	2017
DURABLE GOODS										
Total:										
Unfilled Orders <sup>4</sup>	1,165,082	1,160,712	1,154,664	0.4	0.5	0.6	1,170,254	1,164,193	1,127,693	3.8
Total Inventories	402,836	403,266	402,026	-0.1	0.3	0.4	399,749	406,856	382,666	4.5
Excluding transportation:										
Unfilled Orders <sup>4</sup>	362,779	360,801	358,376	0.5	0.7	0.7	365,724	366,092	346,002	5.7
Total Inventories	275,937	274,524	273,572	0.5	0.3	0.4	274,824	276,605	260,237	5.6
Excluding defense:										
Unfilled Orders <sup>4</sup>	982,328	979,675	976,143	0.3	0.4	0.8	984,420	984,108	947,273	3.9
Total Inventories	375,629	376,476	375,374	-0.2	0.3	0.5	372,417	379,893	356,241	4.5
Manufacturing with unfilled orders:										
Unfilled Orders	1,165,082	1,160,712	1,154,664	0.4	0.5	0.6	1,170,254	1,164,193	1,127,693	3.8
	327,256	327,929	327,166	-0.2	0.2	0.4	325,086	331,120	311,125	4.5
Primary metals: Unfilled Orders Total Inventories	30,788	30,434	29,789	1.2	2.2	2.2	31,149	30,945	27,171	14.6
	34,928	34,709	34,363	0.6	1.0	0.9	34,805	34,667	31,905	9.1
Fabricated metal products: Unfilled Orders	83,862	83,346	82,632	0.6	0.9		85,072	85,327	76,946	10.6
Total Inventories	53,069	52,467	52,069	1.1	0.8	0.9	53,065	52,769	48,832	8.7
Machinery: Unfilled Orders Total Inventories	104,420	104,157	103,723	0.3	0.4	0.3	104,458	104,959	101,021	3.4
	68,150	67,892	67,896	0.4	0.0	0.2	67,461	68,464	64,498	4.6
Computers and electronic products <sup>4</sup> :										
Unfilled Orders	115,053	114,392	113,832	0.6	0.5	0.2	115,591	115,332	111,642	3.5
	43,490	43,307	43,295	0.4	0.0	0.2	43,204	44,019	41,799	3.4
Computers and related products: Unfilled Orders Total Inventories	2,021	2,015	2,006	0.3	0.4	0.5	2,021	2,015	1,697	19.1
	3,732	3,695	3,653	1.0	1.1	-0.6	3,711	3,779	3,688	0.6
Communications equipment: Unfilled Orders Total Inventories	26,016	25,826	25,534	0.7	1.1	0.0	26,135	26,116	24,002	8.9
	5,435	5,449	5,399	-0.3	0.9	2.4	5,383	5,563	5,267	2.2
Electrical equipment, appliances,										
and components: Unfilled Orders Total Inventories	19,517	19,411	19,353	0.5	0.3	0.6	19,806	19,890	19,563	1.2
	18,686	18,556	18,427	0.7	0.7	0.1	18,830	18,882	17,658	6.6
	10,000	10,000	10,427	0.7	0.7	0.1	10,000	10,002	17,000	0.0
Transportation equipment: Unfilled Orders Total Inventories	802,303	799,911	796,288	0.3	0.5	0.6	804,530	798,101	781,691	2.9
	126,899	128,742	128,454	-1.4	0.2	0.3	124,925	130,251	122,429	2.0
Motor vehicles and parts:										
Unfilled Orders	26,576	26,625	26,654	-0.2	-0.1	0.0	26,406	27,088	25,317	4.3
	36,324	36,148	35,670	0.5	1.3	0.0	35,371	36,163	32,364	9.3
Nondefense Aircraft and parts:  Unfilled Orders Total Inventories	602,526	602,072	601,401	0.1	0.1	0.8	602,042	600,842	587,231	2.5
	62,916	65,193	65,548	-3.5	-0.5	1.0	61,897	66,669	63,088	-1.9
Defense Aircraft and parts:										
Unfilled Orders	72,419	70,162	69,255	3.2	1.3	-0.6	73,487	69,797	73,746	-0.4
	12,846	12,776	12,724	0.5	0.4	-1.4	12,849	12,882	12,462	3.1
All other durable goods:  Unfilled Orders Total Inventories	9,139	9,061	9,047	0.9	0.2	0.0	9,648	9,639	9,659	-0.1
	57,614	57,593	57,522	0.0	0.1	0.2	57,459	57,804	55,545	3.4
Capital goods <sup>3</sup> :										
Unfilled Orders	861,937	861,249	859,059	0.1	0.3	0.5	865,479	861,890	844,887	2.4
Total Inventories	197,712	199,004	198,558	-0.6	0.2	0.3	196,580	201,648	191,210	2.8
Nondefense capital goods: Unfilled Orders Total Inventories	714,235	714,041	713,827	0.0	0.0	0.6	715,396	715,393	700,828	2.1
	174,822	176,538	176,301	-1.0	0.1	0.5	173,568	179,115	169,390	2.5
Excluding aircraft: Unfilled Orders Total Inventories	219,467	218,811	217,876	0.3	0.4	0.3	220,805	221,296	215,877	2.3
	123,504	123,110	122,731	0.3	0.3	0.2	122,895	124,337	118,069	4.1
Defense capital goods: Unfilled Orders Total Inventories	147,702	147,208	145,232	0.3	1.4	-0.3	150,083	146,497	144,059	4.2
	22,890	22,466	22,257	1.9	0.9	-1.4	23,012	22,533	21,820	5.5

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Estimates and percent changes of shipments and inventories for the semiconductor industry are included in computers and electronic products, and all other applicable aggregate totals Estimates and percent changes for new orders and unfilled orders exclude semiconductor industry data.