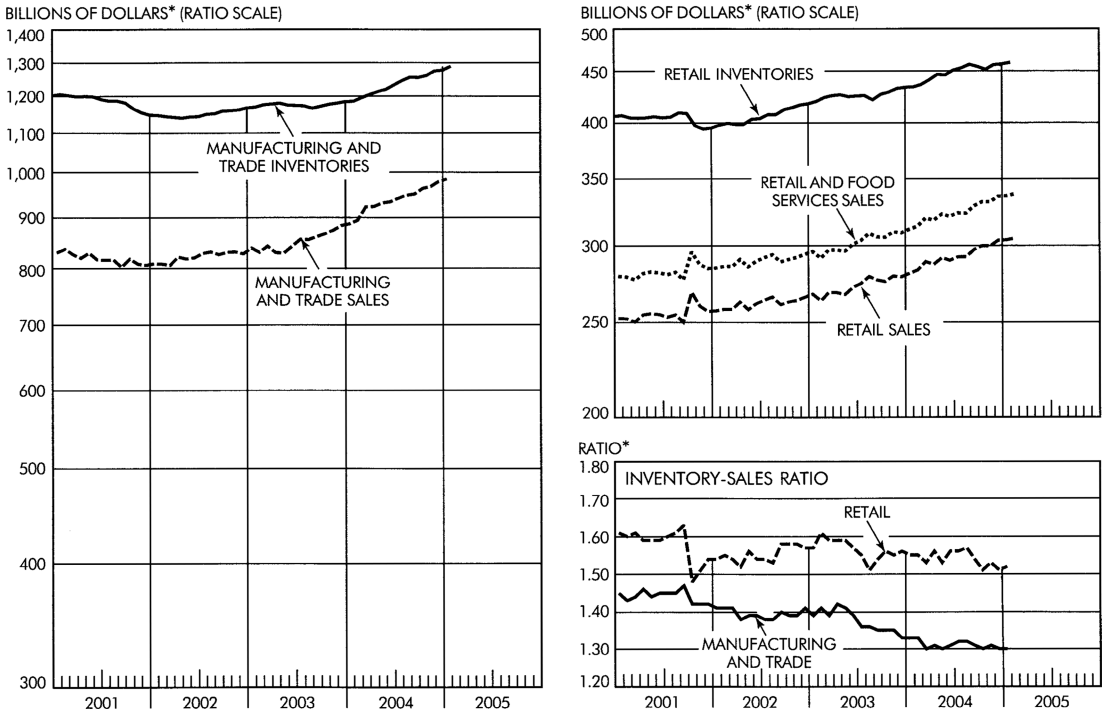
BUSINESS SALES AND INVENTORIES—Manufacturing and Trade

In January, according to preliminary estimates, manufacturing and trade sales rose 0.6 percent and inventories rose $11.9 billion. According to revised estimates, retail sales rose 0.3 percent in February. Retail and food services sales rose 0.4 percent. (Series revised for retail and wholesale trade.)



*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]	
1995 r	655,297	985,716	1.48	181,369	240,473	1.30	183,955	320,026	1.71	203,423
1996 r	687,557	1,004,905	1.46	191,936	243,194	1.27	195,855	330,895	1.66	216,097
1997 r	724,012	1,045,906	1.42	199,788	260,713	1.26	204,666	341,389	1.64	226,170
1998 r	742,836	1,078,451	1.43	203,495	273,910	1.32	214,356	355,310	1.62	237,043
1999 r	786,597	1,138,539	1.40	217,449	291,290	1.30	233,157	383,603	1.59	256,914
2000 r	834,353	1,197,538	1.41	235,053	309,820	1.29	248,584	406,322	1.59	274,061
2001 r	818,632	1,144,697	1.44	231,939	297,182	1.32	255,819	395,279	1.58	282,330
2002 r	821,470	1,163,440	1.40	235,368	300,671	1.26	261,789	418,581	1.55	289,472
2003 r	851,750	1,180,184	1.38	245,539	306,556	1.23	272,951	435,044	1.57	302,066
2004 r	940,813	1,270,690	1.31	278,196	339,639	1.17	293,476	459,700	1.54	325,145
2004: Jan r	887,838	1,181,661	1.33	258,049	306,364	1.19	281,312	435,268	1.55	311,973
Feb r	894,570	1,191,307	1.33	263,099	310,711	1.18	283,314	437,798	1.55	314,149
Mar r	923,392	1,200,108	1.30	271,357	312,836	1.15	289,110	442,693	1.53	320,213
Apr r	923,863	1,208,496	1.31	274,066	313,657	1.14	287,228	448,140	1.56	318,330
May r	931,923	1,215,235	1.30	275,390	317,339	1.15	291,828	447,950	1.53	323,040
June r	934,475	1,227,915	1.31	275,668	320,876	1.16	290,003	452,729	1.56	321,319
July r	941,958	1,239,571	1.32	277,482	325,495	1.17	292,371	455,395	1.56	324,034
Aug r	948,607	1,250,375	1.32	280,837	329,417	1.17	292,233	458,983	1.57	323,700
Sept r	951,361	1,249,529	1.31	282,514	330,462	1.17	297,368	456,690	1.54	329,447
Oct r	963,680	1,254,716	1.30	286,341	334,466	1.17	299,882	453,864	1.51	332,280
Nov r	967,806	1,268,249	1.31	288,654	338,544	1.17	300,005	458,828	1.53	332,392
Dec r	979,059	1,270,690	1.30	291,456	339,639	1.17	303,731	459,700	1.51	336,583
2005: Jan p	984,637	1,282,591	1.30	292,569	343,124	1.17	r304,132	461,116	1.52	r337,129
Feb p	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	305,191	.....	.....	338,584

[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.

NOTE.—Retail and wholesale trade series reflect annual benchmark revisions released on March 31, 2005; total manufacturing and trade sales and inventories reflect the revisions.
Source: Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census.

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