Table B–59. Manufacturers' new and unfilled orders, 1970–2011

[Amounts in millions of dollars; monthly data seasonally adjusted]

Year or month	New orders [1]				Unfilled orders [2]			Unfilled orders to shipments ratio [2]		
	Total	Durable goods industries		Nondurable goods industries	Total	Durable goods industries	Nondurable goods industries	Total	Durable goods industries	Nondurable goods industries
		Total	Capital goods, nondefense							
SIC: [3]										
1970	52,022	27,340	6,072	24,682	105,008	100,412	4,596	3.61	4.36	0.76
1971	55,921	29,905	6,682	26,016	105,247	100,225	5,022	3.32	4.00	.76
1972	64,182	35,038	7,745	29,144	119,349	113,034	6,315	3.26	3.85	.86
1973	76,003	42,627	9,926	33,376	156,561	149,204	7,357	3.80	4.51	.91
1974	87,327	46,862	11,594	40,465	187,043	181,519	5,524	4.09	4.93	.62
1975	85,139	41,957	9,886	43,181	169,546	161,664	7,882	3.69	4.45	.82
1976	99,513	51,307	11,490	48,206	178,128	169,857	8,271	3.24	3.88	.74
1977	115,109	61,035	13,681	54,073	202,024	193,323	8,701	3.24	3.85	.71
1978	131,629	72,278	17,588	59,351	259,169	248,281	10,888	3.57	4.20	.81
1979	147,604	79,483	21,154	68,121	303,593	291,321	12,272	3.89	4.62	.82
1980	156,359	79,392	21,135	76,967	327,416	315,202	12,214	3.85	4.58	.75
1981	168,025	83,654	21,806	84,371	326,547	314,707	11,840	3.87	4.68	.69
1982	162,140	78,064	19,213	84,077	311,887	300,798	11,089	3.84	4.74	.62
1983	175,451	88,140	19,624	87,311	347,273	333,114	14,159	3.53	4.29	.69
1984	192,879	100,164	23,669	92,715	373,529	359,651	13,878	3.60	4.37	.64
1985	195,706	102,356	24,545	93,351	387,196	372,097	15,099	3.67	4.47	.68
1986	195,204	103,647	23,982	91,557	393,515	376,699	16,816	3.59	4.41	.70
1987	209,389	110,809	26,094	98,579	430,426	408,688	21,738	3.63	4.43	.83
1988	228,270	122,076	31,108	106,194	474,154	452,150	22,004	3.64	4.46	.76
1989	239,572	126,055	32,988	113,516	508,849	487,098	21,751	3.96	4.85	.77
1990	244,507	125,583	33,331	118,924	531,131	509,124	22,007	4.15	5.15	.76
1991	238,805	119,849	30,471	118,957	519,199	495,802	23,397	4.08	5.07	.79
1992	248,212	126,308	31,524	121,905	492,893	469,381	23,512	3.51	4.30	.75
NAICS: [3]										
1992	....	....	....	....	....	451,078	....	....	5.14	....
1993	246,668	128,672	40,681	....	....	425,743	....	....	4.66	....
1994	266,641	143,803	45,175	....	....	434,795	....	....	4.21	....
1995	285,542	154,137	51,011	....	....	447,180	....	....	3.97	....
1996	297,282	162,399	54,066	....	....	488,462	....	....	4.15	....
1997	314,986	174,377	60,697	....	....	512,714	....	....	4.04	....
1998	317,345	178,327	62,133	....	....	495,995	....	....	3.97	....
1999	329,770	187,674	64,392	....	....	505,322	....	....	3.76	....
2000	346,789	193,881	69,278	....	....	549,291	....	....	3.87	....
2001	322,088	172,413	57,667	....	....	506,479	....	....	4.18	....
2002	318,226	168,968	51,861	....	....	471,832	....	....	4.07	....
2003	330,943	174,876	53,102	....	....	494,444	....	....	4.03	....
2004	356,941	186,583	57,304	....	....	541,253	....	....	4.13	....
2005	396,372	203,269	67,552	....	....	629,707	....	....	4.20	....
2006	423,199	218,752	73,977	....	....	762,287	....	....	4.71	....
2007	449,200	229,831	79,850	....	....	904,425	....	....	5.25	....
2008	453,146	215,799	73,192	....	....	943,517	....	....	6.03	....
2009	352,806	156,247	50,342	....	....	800,448	....	....	6.81	....
2010	398,235	180,442	64,531	....	....	831,740	....	....	6.15	....
2010: Jan	385,593	174,357	58,327	....	....	801,598	....	....	6.28	....
Feb	388,104	174,894	63,721	....	....	804,985	....	....	6.31	....
Mar	391,734	172,740	58,169	....	....	803,337	....	....	6.17	....
Apr	398,577	180,323	64,678	....	....	807,393	....	....	6.16	....
May	393,090	179,452	63,864	....	....	809,577	....	....	6.14	....
June	390,126	178,362	65,089	....	....	809,990	....	....	6.10	....
July	397,922	184,498	65,293	....	....	812,369	....	....	6.02	....
Aug	395,248	179,637	64,400	....	....	812,582	....	....	6.09	....
Sept	410,063	190,957	72,841	....	....	823,141	....	....	6.12	....
Oct	406,014	183,945	70,901	....	....	827,560	....	....	6.20	....
Nov	411,543	184,695	64,878	....	....	832,652	....	....	6.20	....
Dec	416,654	183,359	62,159	....	....	831,740	....	....	6.03	....
2011: Jan	430,864	190,712	66,285	....	....	838,186	....	....	6.10	....
Feb	429,658	188,693	69,496	....	....	842,152	....	....	6.13	....
Mar	445,836	197,329	72,979	....	....	848,202	....	....	5.96	....
Apr	441,740	192,350	69,144	....	....	853,164	....	....	6.11	....
May	444,454	196,209	72,856	....	....	860,748	....	....	6.11	....
June	442,711	193,953	71,136	....	....	863,541	....	....	6.05	....
July	451,885	202,079	74,125	....	....	871,117	....	....	6.06	....
Aug	452,121	202,215	78,159	....	....	878,731	....	....	6.07	....
Sept	451,636	199,462	75,387	....	....	884,132	....	....	6.08	....
Oct	450,932	199,627	72,748	....	....	887,233	....	....	6.07	....
Nov ^{p}	459,177	207,068	78,606	....	....	898,328	....	....	6.16	....

[1] Annual data are averages of monthly not seasonally adjusted figures.

[2] Unfilled orders are seasonally adjusted, end of period. Ratios are unfilled orders at end of period to shipments for period (excludes industries with no unfilled orders). Annual ratios relate to seasonally adjusted data for December.

[3] Effective in 2001, data classified based on North American Industry Classification System (NAICS). Data on NAICS basis available beginning with 1992. Earlier data based on the Standard Industrial Classification (SIC). Data on SIC basis include semiconductors. Data on NAICS basis do not include semiconductors.

Note: For NAICS basis data beginning with 1992, because there are no unfilled orders for manufacturers' nondurable goods, manufacturers' nondurable new orders and nondurable shipments are the same (see Table B–58).

Source: Department of Commerce (Bureau of the Census).

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