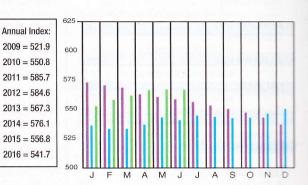
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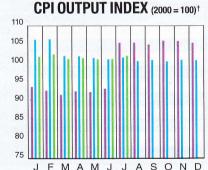
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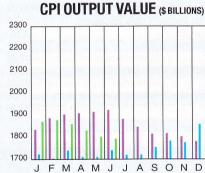
| | (1957-59 = 100) | June '17 Prelim. | May '17 Final | June '16 Final |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|---------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| CE Index | | 567.1 | 567.3 | 540.9 |
| Equipment | | 684.5 | 684.6 | 645.3 |
| Heat exchangers & tanks | | 603.4 | 603.5 | 558.9 |
| Process machinery | | 681.9 | 682.0 | 651.1 |
| Pipe, valves & fittings | | 873.5 | 873.5 | 801.0 |
| Process instruments | | 403.5 | 403.5 | 385.4 |
| Pumps & compressors | | 979.6 | 979.6 | 970.5 |
| Electrical equipment | | 516.4 | 516.4 | 506.8 |
| Structural supports & misc. | | 737.1 | 737.1 | 708.4 |
| Construction labor | | 325.5 | 326.1 | 326.0 |
| Buildings | | 559.6 | 559.7 | 544.0 |
| Engineering & supervision | | 313.0 | 313.6 | 315.1 |

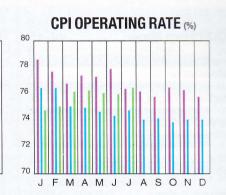


Starting with the April 2007 Final numbers, several of the data series for labor and compressors have been converted to accommodate series IDs that were discontinued by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

| CURRENT BUSINESS INDICATORS | LATEST | PREVIOUS | YEAR AGO | |
|--|--------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------|--|
| CPI output index (2012 = 100) | Jul. '17 = 102.1 | Jun.'17 = 101.8 May'17 = 101.0 | Jul. '16 = 99.6 | |
| CPI value of output, \$ billions | Jun. '17 = 1,794.1 | May '17 = 1,803.4 Apr. '17 = 1,826.6 | Jun. '16 = 1,728.9 | |
| CPI operating rate, % | Jul. '17 = 76.5 | Jun. '17 = 76.4 May '17 = 75.9 | Jul. '16 = 75.3 | |
| Producer prices, industrial chemicals (1982 = 100) | Jul. '17 = 244.0 | Jun. '17 = 251.3 May '17 = 257.3 | Jul. '16 = 225.2 | |
| Industrial Production in Manufacturing (2012=100)* | Jul. '17 = 103.4 | Jun. '17 = 103.4 May '17 = 103.2 | Jul. '16 = 102.1 | |
| Hourly earnings index, chemical & allied products (1992 = 100) | Jul. '17 = 180.0 | Jun. '17 = 174.5 May '17 = 174.7 | Jul. '16 = 169.6 | |
| Productivity index, chemicals & allied products (1992 = 100) | Jul. '17 = 102.4 | Jun. '17 = 103.1 May '17 = 102.6 | Jul. '16 = 101.3 | |







*Due to discontinuance, the Index of Industrial Activity has been replaced by the Industrial Production in Manufacturing index from the U.S. Federal Reserve Board †For the current month's CPI output index values, the base year was changed from 2000 to 2012 Current business indicators provided by Global Insight, Inc., Lexington, Mass.

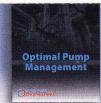
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