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GROSS NATIONAL PRODUCT AND RELATED ITEMS (Expenditure and income figures are billions of dollars, seasonally adjusted annual rates)

| | 1964 | 1965 | 1965 | | | 1966 -Proj. | |
|--------------------------------------|---------------|--------------|-------------|-------|-------|-------------|-------|
| | 1904 | | II | III | ΙV | I | II |
| Gross National Product | 628.7 | 676.3 | 668.8 | 681.5 | 697.2 | 713.0 | 726.5 |
| Personal consumption expenditures | 398.9 | 428.7 | 424.5 | 432.5 | 441.0 | 448.3 | 456.5 |
| Durable goods | 58.7 | 6 5.0 | 63.5 | 65.4 | 56.4 | 67.0 | 68.0 |
| Nondurable goods | 177.5 | 189.0 | 187.9 | | | 199.0 | |
| Services | 162.6 | 174.7 | 173.1 | 176.7 | 179.6 | 182.3 | 186.0 |
| Gross private domestic investment | 92.9 | 105.7 | 102.8 | 106.2 | 110.3 | 112.8 | 114.5 |
| Residential construction | 27.5 | 27.6 | 28.0 | 27.7 | 27.2 | 27.9 | 27.6 |
| Business fixed investment | 60.5 | 69.8 | 68.4 | 70.9 | 73.0 | 75.0 | 77.3 |
| Change in business inventories | 4,8 | 8.2 | 6.4 | 7.6 | 10.1 | 9.9 | 9.6 |
| Nonfarm | 5.4 | 7.9 | 6 .6 | 7.0 | 8.9 | 8.9 | 8.9 |
| Net exports | 8.6 | 7.1 | 8.0 | 7.4 | 6.9 | 7.5 | 8.0 |
| Gov. purchases of goods and services | 128.4 | 134.8 | 133.5 | 135.4 | 139.0 | 144.4 | 147.5 |
| Federal | 65.3 | 66.6 | 65.7 | 66.5 | 69.2 | 72.5 | 74.0 |
| Defense | 49.9 | 49.9 | 49.2 | 49.8 | 52.0 | 54.5 | 55.7 |
| Other | 15.4 | 16.7 | 16.5 | 16.7 | 17.2 | 18.0 | 18.3 |
| State and local | 63.1 | 68.2 | 67.8 | 68.9 | 69.8 | 71.9 | 73.5 |
| Gross National Product in Constant | | | | | | | |
| (1958) Dollars | 577. 6 | 609.6 | 603.5 | 613.0 | 624.4 | 635.0 | 642.7 |
| Personal income | 495.0 | 530.7 | 524.7 | 536.0 | 546.0 | 556.0 | 565.3 |
| Wages and salaries | 333.5 | 357.4 | 353.6 | 359.0 | 368.1 | 376.5 | 383.8 |
| Personal contributions for social | | | | | | | |
| insurance (deduction) | 12.4 | 13.2 | 13.0 | 13.3 | 13.6 | 16.6 | 16.8 |
| Disposable personal income | 435.8 | 465.3 | 458.5 | 471.2 | 480.3 | 488.4 | 497.7 |
| Personal saving | 26.3 | 24.9 | 22.4 | 26.8 | | | 28.3 |
| Saving rate (per cent) | 6.0 | 5.4 | 4.9 | 5.7 | | 5.7 | 5.7 |
| Total labor force (millions) | 77.0 | 78.4 | 78.2 | 78.5 | 78.9 | 79.6 | 80.1 |
| Armed forces | 2.7 | 2.7 | 2.7 | 2.7 | | | 3.0 |
| Civilian labor force " | 74.2 | 75.6 | 75.5 | 75.8 | | | 77.1 |
| Employed " | 70.4 | 72.2 | 71.9 | 72.4 | | | 74.3 |
| Unemployed " | 3.9 | 3.5 | 3.6 | 3.4 | | | 2.8 |
| Unemployment rate (per cent) | 5.2 | 4.6 | 4.7 | 4.4 | 4.2 | 3.8 | 3.6 |