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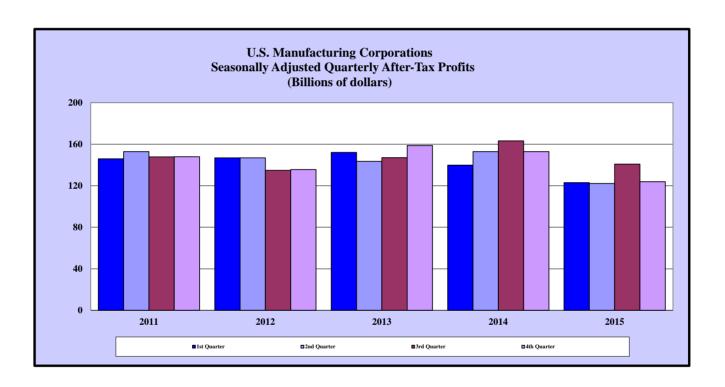
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FOURTH QUARTER 2015 DATA FROM THE QUARTERLY FINANCIAL REPORT: U.S. MANUFACTURING, MINING, WHOLESALE TRADE, AND SELECTED SERVICE INDUSTRIES



After-Tax Profits and Sales, Fourth Quarter 2015 - Seasonally Adjusted

Manufacturing Corporations

U.S. manufacturing corporations' seasonally adjusted **after-tax profits** in the fourth quarter of 2015 totaled \$123.9 billion, down \$17.0 (\pm 0.7) billion from the after-tax profits of \$140.9 billion recorded in the third quarter of 2015, and down \$28.9 (\pm 0.3) billion from the after-tax profits of \$152.8 billion recorded in the fourth quarter of 2014.

Seasonally adjusted **sales** for the quarter totaled \$1,577.2 billion, down \$35.2 (± 12.9) billion from the \$1,612.3 billion recorded in the third quarter of 2015, and down \$136.2 (± 7.7) billion from the \$1,713.4 billion recorded in the fourth quarter of 2014.

Nondurable Goods Manufacturers

Nondurable goods manufacturers' seasonally adjusted **after-tax profits** in the fourth quarter of 2015 totaled \$49.6 billion, down \$21.7 (± 0.5) billion from the after-tax profits of \$71.3 billion recorded in the third quarter of 2015, and down \$22.4 (± 0.1) billion from the after-tax profits of \$72.1 billion recorded in the fourth quarter of 2014.

Seasonally adjusted **sales** for the quarter totaled \$743.2 billion, down \$26.2 (\pm 7.4) billion from the \$769.4 billion recorded in the third quarter of 2015, and down \$116.4 (\pm 3.5) billion from the \$859.6 billion recorded in the fourth quarter of 2014.

Durable Goods Manufacturers

Durable goods manufacturers' seasonally adjusted **after-tax profits** in the fourth quarter of 2015 totaled \$74.3 billion, up \$4.7 (± 0.4) billion from the after-tax profits of \$69.6 billion recorded in the third quarter of 2015, but down \$6.4 (± 0.2) billion from the after-tax profits of \$80.7 billion recorded in the fourth quarter of 2014.

Seasonally adjusted **sales** for the quarter totaled \$833.9 billion, down \$9.0 (\pm 8.3) billion from the \$842.9 billion recorded in the third quarter of 2015, and down \$19.8 (\pm 5.1) billion from the \$853.8 billion recorded in the fourth quarter of 2014.

After-Tax Profits and Sales, Fourth Quarter 2015 - Not Seasonally Adjusted

Manufacturing Corporations

U.S. manufacturing corporations' fourth quarter 2015 unadjusted **after-tax profits** totaled \$111.7 billion, down \$29.1 (± 0.3) billion from the after-tax profits of \$140.8 billion recorded in the fourth quarter of 2014, and down \$34.5 (± 0.7) billion from the after-tax profits of \$146.2 billion recorded in the third quarter of 2015.

Unadjusted **sales** for the fourth quarter of 2015 totaled \$1,581.9 billion, down \$134.6 (\pm 7.7) billion from the \$1,716.5 billion recorded in the fourth quarter of 2014, and down \$47.7 (\pm 12.9) billion from the third quarter 2015 sales of \$1,629.6 billion.

Nondurable Goods Manufacturers

Nondurable goods manufacturers' fourth quarter 2015 unadjusted **after-tax profits** totaled \$41.9 billion, down \$22.7 (± 0.1) billion from the after-tax profits of \$64.6 billion recorded in the fourth quarter of 2014, and down \$33.7 (± 0.5) billion from third quarter 2015 after-tax profits of \$75.5 billion.

Unadjusted sales for the fourth quarter of 2015 totaled \$735.6 billion, down \$115.1 (± 3.5) billion from the \$850.7 billion recorded in the fourth quarter of 2014, and down \$43.8 (± 7.4) billion from third quarter 2015 sales of \$779.3 billion.

Durable Goods Manufacturers

Durable goods manufacturers' fourth quarter 2015 unadjusted **after-tax profits** totaled \$69.8 billion, down \$6.4 (± 0.2) billion from the after-tax profits of \$76.3 billion recorded in the fourth quarter of 2014, and down \$0.8 (± 0.4) billion from third quarter 2015 after-tax profits of \$70.7 billion.

Unadjusted **sales** for the fourth quarter of 2015 totaled \$846.3 billion, down \$19.5 (±5.1) billion from the \$865.8 billion recorded in the fourth quarter of 2014, but not statistically different from the \$850.3 billion recorded in the third quarter 2015.

Mining Corporations

Fourth quarter 2015 unadjusted **after-tax losses** for mining corporations with assets of \$50 million and over totaled \$85.3 billion, down \$68.2 (± 0.0) billion from the after-tax losses of \$17.1 billion recorded in the fourth quarter of 2014, and down \$24.4 (± 0.2) billion from the after-tax losses of \$60.9 billion recorded in third quarter of 2015.

Unadjusted **sales** for the fourth quarter of 2015 totaled \$57.2 billion, down \$35.4 (± 0.3) billion from the \$92.6 billion recorded in the fourth quarter of 2014, and down \$8.1 (± 0.5) billion from third quarter 2015 sales of \$65.3 billion.

Wholesale Trade Corporations

Fourth quarter 2015 unadjusted **after-tax profits** for wholesale trade corporations with assets of \$50 million and over totaled \$9.7 billion, up \$1.6 (± 0.1) billion from the after-tax profits of \$8.1 billion recorded in the fourth quarter of 2014, but down \$1.8 (± 0.3) billion from the after-tax profits of \$11.5 billion recorded in the third quarter of 2015.

Unadjusted **sales** for the fourth quarter of 2015 totaled \$637.3 billion, down \$16.7 (±7.8) billion from the \$654.0 billion recorded in the fourth quarter 2014, but not statistically different from third quarter 2015 sales of \$630.9 billion.

Information Corporations

Fourth quarter 2015 unadjusted **after-tax profits** for information corporations with assets of \$50 million and over totaled \$29.4 billion, up \$5.5 (± 0.0) billion from the after-tax profits of \$23.9 billion recorded in the fourth quarter of 2014, and up \$0.9 (± 0.1) billion from the third quarter 2015 after-tax profits of \$28.5 billion.

Unadjusted sales for the fourth quarter of 2015 totaled \$293.2 billion, up \$13.6 (± 0.6) billion from the \$279.6 billion recorded in fourth quarter 2014, and up \$16.9 (± 1.8) billion from third quarter 2015 sales of \$276.3 billion.

Professional and Technical Services Corporations (except Legal Services)

Fourth quarter 2015 unadjusted **after-tax profits** for professional and technical services corporations (except legal services) with assets of \$50 million and over totaled \$8.1 billion, down \$1.3 (± 0.2) billion from the after-tax profits of \$9.4 billion recorded in the fourth quarter of 2014, but up \$3.7 (± 0.4) billion from third quarter 2015 after-tax profits of \$4.5 billion.

Unadjusted **sales** for the fourth quarter of 2015 totaled \$135.1 billion, up \$13.1 (\pm 1.7) billion from the \$122.1 billion recorded in fourth quarter 2014, and up \$9.8 (\pm 4.2) billion from third quarter 2015 sales of \$125.4 billion.

Table 1. U.S. Manufacturing Corporations – Not Seasonally Adjusted Selected Financial Data

	Seasonally adjusted ¹			Not Seasonally adjusted			
	4Q	3Q	4Q	4Q	3Q	4Q	
	2015	2015^{2}	2014^{2}	2015	2015^{2}	2014^{2}	
Rate of return (after taxes):							
Cents per dollar of sales	7.86	8.74	8.92	7.06	8.97	8.20	
Percent on equity (annual rate)	N/A	N/A	N/A	11.25	14.54	14.31	
	(million dollars)						
Sales	1,577,164	1,612,334	1,713,401	1,581,895	1,629,625	1,716,528	
Income after income taxes	123,905	140,919	152,794	111,698	146,207	140,839	
Dividends paid (cash)	N/A	N/A	N/A	71,253	63,284	69,722	

¹For information on adjustment for seasonal variation, see the Introduction, Survey Methodology section, in the *Quarterly Financial Report for Manufacturing, Mining, Trade, and Selected Service Industries,* or at the QFR internet website http://www.census.gov/econ/qfr/collection.html. ²Revised.

Table 2. U.S. Manufacturing Corporations –
Seasonally Adjusted Sales and Net Income After-tax¹

	Sales ²			Net Income After-tax ²				
Industry group and year	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
	(million dollars)			(million dollars)				
All manufacturing:								
2004	1.180.007	1,218,525	1,245,154	1,288,912	76.195	84,996	87,883	98.768
2005	1,296,452	1,318,776	1,377,107	1,417,468	91,249	97,368	105,226	107,142
2006	1,439,616	1,449,743	1,459,190	1,433,431	121,625	113,600	122,040	112,754
2007	1,448,637	1,489,617	1,530,692	1,590,161	119,687	127,497	74,981	120,562
2008	1.613.700	1,683,438	1,670,880	1,403,112	119,858	100,172	118,870	(72,392)
2009	1,232,789	1,224,684	1,296,648	1,355,777	36,329	50,076	93,992	106,650
2010	1,389,541	1,428,397	1,452,810	1,483,867	110,279	106,550	124,363	136,854
2011	1,578,240	1,620,231	1,637,737	1,647,276	145,856	152,857	147,763	147,911
2012	1,697,638	1,653,458	1,642,817	1,674,589	146,860	146,859	134,772	135,609
2013	1,676,318	1,668,647	1,688,426	1,708,445	152,073	143,520	147,018	158,673
2014	1,701,330	1,733,802	1,750,654	1,713,401	139,654	152,764	163,207	152,794
2015	1,602,783	1,634,524	1,612,334	1,577,164	122,981	122,146	140,919	123,905
All nondurable manufacturing:								
2004	569,871	590,286	604,109	632,002	40,158	46,114	50,554	54,526
2005	635,399	644,007	691,277	709,472	55,034	56,646	61,944	66,494
2006	716,372	720,402	728,826	706,982	67,937	70,500	72,361	66,627
2007	710,191	747,702	763,606	822,603	69,726	72,794	67,741	73,195
2008	849,309	921,549	914,610	715,861	72,751	74,989	84,285	(8,794)
2009	629,829	645,698	685,621	721,722	44,298	52,886	62,446	72,440
2010	744,174	754,186	759,448	790,869	62,558	46,957	64,546	71,530
2011	860,461	902,118	897,870	897,069	77,886	83,481	77,651	71,407
2012	916,890	876,571	874,809	899,790	76,140	77,953	73,430	76,525
2013	898,205	876,095	893,592	898,325	81,972	75,448	72,012	78,264
2014	889,677	907,411	903,304	859,614	71,960	76,854	79,421	72,071
2015	761,809	791,791	769,420	743,218	66,745	54,752	71,326	49,630
All durable manufacturing:								
2004	610,136	628,239	641,045	656,910	36,037	38,882	37,329	44,242
2005	661,053	674,769	685,830	707,996	36,215	40,722	43,282	40,648
2006	723,244	729,341	730,364	726,449	53,688	43,100	49,679	46,127
2007	738,446	741,915	767,086	767,558	49,961	54,703	7,240	47,367
2008	764,391	761,889	756,270	687,251	47,107	25,183	34,585	(63,598)
2009	602,960	578,986	611,027	634,055	(7,969)	(2,810)	31,546	34,210
2010	645,367	674,211	693,362	692,998	47,721	59,593	59,817	65,324
2011	717,779	718,113	739,867	750,207	67,970	69,376	70,112	76,504
2012	780,748	776,887	768,008	774,799	70,720	68,906	61,342	59,084
2013	778,113	792,552	794,834	810,120	70,101	68,072	75,006	80,409
2014	811,653	826,391	847,350	853,787	67,694	75,910	83,786	80,723
2015	840,974	842,733	842,914	833,946	56,236	67,394	69,593	74,275

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Table 3. U.S. Manufacturing, Mining, Wholesale Trade, and Selected Service Industries – Not Seasonally Adjusted Sales and Profits

All manufacturing		After-tax profits		
All manufacturing		-		
All manufacturing		15^2 2014^2		
All nondurable manufacturing				
Food		5,207 140,839		
Reverage and tobacco products	_			
Textile mills and textile product mills				
Apparel and leather products	*			
Paper				
Printing and related support activities 17,962 17,104 18,151 1,138 1,221 837 718 (202) Petroleum and coal products 178,812 220,405 271,667 (4,025) 7,575 2,229 (752) 10,472 20,000 20				
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¹Operating profits are profits before nonoperating income, expense items, and income taxes.

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³Manufacturing data are the quarterly results of companies within that division with total assets of \$250 thousand and over at the time of sample selection; whereas, data for mining, wholesale trade, information, and professional and technical services corporations (except legal services), represent the quarterly results of companies with total assets of \$50 million and over at the time of sample selection.

⁴Included in major industry above.

⁵Except legal services.

ACCESS TO QFR DATA

This press release can be viewed today in portable document format (.pdf) at our QFR internet website http://www.census.gov/econ/qfr/index.html. Data in the release are drawn from a more comprehensive data set published in the *Quarterly Financial Report for Manufacturing, Mining, Trade, and Selected Service Industries - Fourth Quarter 2015* (QFR/15-Q4). This quarterly publication is available for downloading at our QFR internet website. The quarterly publication includes summary statements of income and retained earnings, balance sheets, and related financial and operating ratios for manufacturing, mining, trade, and selected service industries. Data presented are classified by industry and asset size. Time series/trend chart data are available at our QFR internet website. Select the Time Series/Trend Charts link under Latest QFR Press Releases.

RELIABILITY OF THE ESTIMATES

Estimates of change presented in this press release are calculated using unrounded data. The calculated difference is then rounded to the nearest unit of measure. Due to this rounding, differences may not add to the totals. The same applies to the calculated confidence intervals. A difference of \$0.0 billion indicates the difference is less than \$0.05 billion. A confidence interval of ±0.0 billion indicates a confidence interval with width of less then ±0.05 billion on each side of the estimated value.

Data in this press release are based on quarterly financial reports from approximately 11,000 U.S. corporations. The data are estimated from a sample survey and are subject to sampling and nonsampling errors.

Sampling error occurs because only a subset of the entire population is measured. Estimates of sampling error can be computed based on the sample and used to construct confidence intervals around the estimates. Statements of change appearing in this report include 90 percent confidence intervals. Thus, a statement in the report such as "up $$2.5 (\pm 0.2)$$ billion" estimates the interval (+\$2.3\$ billion to +\$2.7\$ billion) within which the actual value is likely to fall in 90 percent of samples of the same size and design, drawn from the same population. If the range of estimated change contains zero (0), then it is uncertain whether there is an increase or decrease; that is, the change is not statistically different from zero (0). For any comparison cited in the text without a confidence interval, the change is statistically significant at the 90 percent confidence level.

Nonsampling error encompasses all other factors that contribute to the total error of a survey, including response errors, nonresponse, and coverage errors. Although no direct measures of nonsampling error are available, precautionary steps were taken in all phases of the collection, processing, and tabulation of the data in an effort to minimize their influence. The quarterly publication, *Quarterly Financial Report for Manufacturing, Mining, Trade, and Selected Service Industries – Fourth Quarter 2015* (QFR/15-Q4), includes more detailed explanations of nonsampling and sampling error, and additional measures of sampling variability.

DATA QUALITY INDICATORS

The QFR produces two indicators of data quality: the Unit Response Rate (URR) and the Total Quantity Response Rate (TQRR). The URR is defined as the percentage of sampled units (unweighted) that responded to the current quarter's survey. In determining the URR, a unit is classified as a respondent if it provided adequate information for key QFR data items. The TQRR is defined as the weighted estimated total of a key QFR data item that is either reported by a survey unit or acquired from some other information source (such as a publically available quarterly or annual report) and that is determined to be equivalent in quality to reported data. The TQRR is calculated for the QFR data items Net sales, Depreciation, Income before income taxes (NIBT), and Total assets.

Total Quantity Response Rates and Unit Response Rates ^{1,2} For Corporations in NAICS Manufacturing, Mining, Wholesale Trade, Information, and							
Professional and Technical Services (except Legal Services), By Sector							
		Unit					
Industry	Net sales	Depreciation	NIBT	Total assets	Response Rate		
		(percent)					
All manufacturing	81.2	85.0	88.5	88.2	59.8		
All mining	87.6	91.7	89.2	90.0	63.8		
All wholesale trade	78.0	69.7	76.2	76.3	58.3		
All information	89.7	93.9	91.1	93.1	62.0		
All professional and technical services (except legal services)	75.2	82.6	86.0	82.7	59.9		

For information on adjustment for seasonal variation, see the Introduction, Survey Methodology section, in the *Quarterly Financial Report for Manufacturing*, *Mining*, *Trade*, *and Selected Service Industries*, or at the QFR internet website http://www.census.gov/econ/qfr/collection.html.

²Imputation Rate = 100% - TQRR.

Manufacturing, Mining, Wholesale Trade and Selected Service Industries			
Schedule of Release Dates for Calendar Year 2016			
Fourth Quarter 2015	March 21, 2016		
First Quarter 2016	June 6, 2016		
Second Quarter 2016	September 6, 2016		
Third Quarter 2016	December 5, 2016		