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Figure 1.

CONSUMER CONFIDENCE INDEX
(1985=100, sa)

Total Index (86.9)
Current Conditions (76.4)
Expectations (93.8)

Source: The Conference Board.

Figure 2.

CONSUMER SENTIMENT INDEX
(Q1-1966=100)

Consumer Sentiment Index
Total (71.8)
Current Conditions (74.3)
Expectations (70.1)

Source: University of Michigan Survey Research Center
Note: Shaded areas denote recessions according to the National Bureau of Economic Research.
Source: The Conference Board and the University of Michigan Survey Research Center.
Figure 4.

CONSUMER OPTIMISM INDEX*

CURRENT CONDITIONS

EXPECTATIONS

* Average of Consumer Sentiment Index (nsa) and Consumer Confidence Index (sa).
Note: Shaded areas denote recessions according to the National Bureau of Economic Research.
Source: The Conference Board and the University of Michigan Survey Research Center.
Figure 5.

CONSUMER CONFIDENCE INDEX
(1985=100, sa)

Source: The Conference Board.

Figure 6.

CONSUMER CONFIDENCE INDEX
(1985=100, sa)

Current Conditions Component (76.4)
Expectations Component (93.8)

Source: The Conference Board.
**Figure 7.**

**CONSUMER CONFIDENCE INDEX**
(1985=100, sa)

- Total Index (86.9)
- Current Conditions (76.4)
- Expectations (93.8)

Source: The Conference Board.

**Figure 8.**

**CONSUMER CONFIDENCE INDEXES BY AGE GROUPS**
(1985=100, sa)

- Under 35 (94.3)
- 35-54 (88.5)
- 55+ (81.7)

Source: The Conference Board.
CONSUMER OPTIMISM INDEX*

- Total (79.4)
- Current (75.4)
- Expectations (82.0)

Note: Shaded areas denote recessions according to the National Bureau of Economic Research.
Source: The Conference Board and the University of Michigan Survey Research Center.

CONSUMER CONFIDENCE SURVEY: JOBS AVAILABILITY

- Jobs Plentiful* (20.0)
- Jobs Hard To Get* (33.6)

Note: Shaded areas denote recessions according to the National Bureau of Economic Research.
Source: The Conference Board.
CONSUMER CONFIDENCE SURVEY: CURRENT CONDITIONS & JOBS AVAILABILITY

Jobs Plentiful Minus
Jobs Hard To Get* (percent saying so) (-13.6)

Current Conditions Index (76.4)

* Every other month from 1967 through mid-1977, then monthly since July 1977. Seasonally adjusted.
Source: The Conference Board.

CONSUMER CONFIDENCE SURVEY: UNEMPLOYMENT RATE & JOBS AVAILABILITY

Jobs Hard To Get* (percent saying so)

Unemployment Rate (percent)

* Every other month from 1967 through mid-1977, then monthly since July 1977. Seasonally adjusted.
Note: Shaded areas denote recessions according to the National Bureau of Economic Research.
Consumer Confidence & Unemployment

Figure 13.

UNEMPLOYMENT RATE & CONFIDENCE (sa)

Jobs Hard To Get (percent saying so)

U-6 Unemployment Rate*
( percent)

Note: Shaded areas denote recessions according to the National Bureau of Economic Research.

* Total unemployed plus all marginally attached workers plus total employed part time for economic reasons as percent of civilian labor force plus all attached workers.


Figure 14.

CONSUMER CONFIDENCE & UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIMS (sa)

Initial Unemployment Claims (thousands, 4-week ma)

Jobs Hard To Get (percent saying so)

Note: Shaded areas denote recessions according to the National Bureau of Economic Research.

CONSUMER CONFIDENCE SURVEY: UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIMS & JOBS AVAILABILITY (sa)

Initial Unemployment Claims (thousands, sa, 4-week ma)

Jobs Hard To Get* (percent saying so)

* Every other month from 1967 through mid-1977, then monthly since July 1977. Seasonally adjusted.
Note: Shaded areas denote recessions according to the National Bureau of Economic Research.
Consumer Confidence & Employment

* Average of Consumer Sentiment Index (nsa) and Consumer Confidence Index (sa).
Source: The Conference Board, University of Michigan Survey Research Center, and US Department of Labor.
Figure 17.

CONSUMER CONFIDENCE: EMPLOYMENT EXPECTATIONS
(sa)

Percent Expecting
More Jobs
6 Months From Now
Fewer Jobs
6 Months From Now

Source: The Conference Board.

Figure 18.

CONSUMER CONFIDENCE: EMPLOYMENT EXPECTATIONS
(sa)

Percent Expecting More Jobs
Minus Percent Expecting Fewer Jobs
Consumer Confidence Expectations Index

Source: The Conference Board.
Figure 19.

CONSUMER CONFIDENCE: BUSINESS CONDITIONS
(sa)

Business Conditions
6 Months Ahead

Better
Worsen
Same

Source: Conference Board.
* New England (Connecticut, Massachusetts, Maine, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Vermont); Middle Atlantic (New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania); South Atlantic (Delaware, Maryland, Washington DC, Virginia, West Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida).

Source: The Conference Board.
* East North Central (Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, Wisconsin); East South Central (Kentucky, Tennessee, Alabama, Mississippi); West North Central (Minnesota, Iowa, Missouri, North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Kansas).

Source: The Conference Board.
Figure 22.

CONSUMER CONFIDENCE INDEX
(1985=100, sa)

West South Central*

West South Central*

Mountain*

Mountain*

Pacific*

Pacific*

* West South Central (Arkansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, Texas); Mountain (Montana, Idaho, Wyoming, Colorado, New Mexico, Arizona, Utah, Nevada); Pacific (Washington, Oregon, California, Alaska, Hawaii).

Source: The Conference Board.
Figure 23.

CONSUMER OPTIMISM INDEX*

* Average of Consumer Sentiment Index (nsa) and Consumer Confidence Index (sa).
Note: Shaded areas denote recessions according to the National Bureau of Economic Research.
Source: The Conference Board and the University of Michigan Survey Research Center.

Figure 24.

NFIB: JOB OPENINGS & JOBS PLENTIFUL
(sa)

NFIB: Firms with One or More
Job Openings
(12-month average, percent) (35.2)

Jobs Plentiful
(percent saying so) (20.0)


Figure 26.

CONSUMER OPTIMISM INDEX vs. WAGES & SALARIES

- Consumer Optimism Index (79.4)
- Wages & Salaries (yearly percent change (-0.8))

CONSUMER SENTIMENT INDEX vs. WAGES & SALARIES

- Consumer Sentiment Index (1966=100) (71.8)
- Wages & Salaries (yearly percent change (-0.8))

CONSUMER CONFIDENCE INDEX vs. WAGES & SALARIES

- Consumer Confidence Index (1985=100) (86.9)
- Wages & Salaries (yearly percent change (-0.8))

CONSUMER OPTIMISM INDEX vs. WAGES & SALARIES

Consumer Optimism Index:
Present Situation (75.4)

Wages & Salaries
(yearly percent change (-0.8)

CONSUMER SENTIMENT INDEX vs. WAGES & SALARIES

Consumer Sentiment Index:
Current Conditions
(1966=100) (74.3)

Wages & Salaries
(yearly percent change (-0.8)

CONSUMER CONFIDENCE INDEX vs. WAGES & SALARIES

Consumer Confidence Index:
Current Conditions
(1985=100) (76.4)

Wages & Salaries
(yearly percent change (-0.8)

CONSUMER OPTIMISM INDEX vs. WAGES & SALARIES

- Consumer Optimism Index: Expectations (3-ma) (88.4)
- Wages & Salaries (yearly percent change (-0.8))

Figure 29.

CONSUMER CONFIDENCE INDEX & PAYROLL EMPLOYMENT

Present Situation Component (1985=100, sa) (76.4)

Payroll Employment (yearly percent change) (1.0)


Figure 30.

CONSUMER CONFIDENCE INDEX & HOUSEHOLD EMPLOYMENT

Present Situation Component (1985=100, sa) (76.4)

Household Employment (yearly percent change) (-14.9)

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