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Figure 1.

CONSUMER CONFIDENCE INDEX
(1985=100, sa)

Source: The Conference Board.

Figure 2.

CONSUMER SENTIMENT INDEX
(Q1-1966=100)

Source: University of Michigan Survey Research Center
CONSUMER SURVEYS

Consumer Confidence Index
(1985=100, sa)

Consumer Sentiment Index
(Q1-1966=100, nsa)

CURRENT CONDITIONS

Consumer Confidence Index
(1985=100, sa)

Consumer Sentiment Index
(Q1-1966=100, nsa)

EXPECTATIONS

Consumer Confidence Index
(1985=100, sa)

Consumer Sentiment Index
(Q1-1966=100, nsa)

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.
* 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.

CONSUMER OPTIMISM INDEX

CURRENT CONDITIONS

EXPECTATIONS
Figure 5.
CONSUMER CONFIDENCE INDEX
(1985=100, sa)

Source: The Conference Board.

Figure 6.
CONSUMER CONFIDENCE INDEX
(1985=100, sa)

Current Conditions Component (71.1)
Expectations Component (96.9)

Source: The Conference Board.
Figure 7.

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

- Total Index (86.6)
- Current Conditions (71.1)
- Expectations (96.9)

Source: The Conference Board.

Figure 8.

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

- Under 35 (78.3)
- 35-54 (89.0)
- 55+ (86.2)

Source: The Conference Board.
CONSUMER OPTIMISM INDEX*

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Total (80.1)
Current (77.1)
Expectations (82.3)

* Average of Consumer Sentiment Index and Consumer Confidence Index.
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* (17.4)
Jobs Hard To Get* (27.8)

* 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.
Source: The Conference Board.
**Consumer Confidence & Unemployment**

*CONSUMER CONFIDENCE SURVEY: CURRENT CONDITIONS & JOBS AVAILABILITY*

- Jobs Plentiful Minus
- Jobs Hard To Get* (percent saying so) (-10.4)
- Current Conditions Index (71.1)

* 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.

Figure 13. UNEMPLOYMENT RATE & CONFIDENCE (sa) (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.
Figure 16.

EMPLOYMENT & CONSUMER SENTIMENT

Consumer Sentiment Index (Q1-1966=100, nsa)
Payroll Employment (yearly percent change)

EMPLOYMENT & CONSUMER CONFIDENCE

Consumer Confidence Index (1985=100, sa)
Payroll Employment (yearly percent change)

EMPLOYMENT & CONSUMER OPTIMISM

Consumer Optimism Index*
Payroll Employment (yearly percent change)

* 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.
CONSUMER CONFIDENCE: EMPLOYMENT EXPECTATIONS

Percent Expecting
- More Jobs
- Fewer Jobs
6 Months From Now (39.3)
6 Months From Now (20.2)

Source: The Conference Board.

CONSUMER CONFIDENCE: EMPLOYMENT EXPECTATIONS

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

Source: The Conference Board.
CONSUMER CONFIDENCE: BUSINESS CONDITIONS

Better
Worsen
Same

Business Conditions 6 Months Ahead

Source: Conference Board.
New England* 
Current Conditions | Expectations
Middle Atlantic* 
Current Conditions | Expectations
South Atlantic* 
Current Conditions | Expectations

* 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.
Consumer Confidence By Region

* 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.
**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.

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

Jobs Plentiful (percent saying so) (17.4)

Consumer Confidence & Wage Inflation

Figure 27.

**CONSUMER OPTIMISM INDEX vs. WAGES & SALARIES**

- Consumer Optimism Index: Present Situation (76.7)
- Wages & Salaries (yearly percent change (-8.5))

**CONSUMER SENTIMENT INDEX vs. WAGES & SALARIES**

- Consumer Sentiment Index: Current Conditions (1966=100) (82.3)
- Wages & Salaries (yearly percent change (-8.5))

**CONSUMER CONFIDENCE INDEX vs. WAGES & SALARIES**

- Consumer Confidence Index: Current Conditions (1985=100) (71.1)
- Wages & Salaries (yearly percent change (-8.5))

Figure 28.

CONSUMER OPTIMISM INDEX vs. WAGES & SALARIES

- **Consumer Optimism Index:** Expectations (3-ma) (82.3)
- **Wages & Salaries** (yearly percent change (-8.5))

CONSUMER SENTIMENT INDEX vs. WAGES & SALARIES

- **Consumer Sentiment Index:** Expectations (3-ma) (1966=100) (71.9)
- **Wages & Salaries** (yearly percent change (-8.5))

CONSUMER CONFIDENCE INDEX vs. WAGES & SALARIES

- **Consumer Confidence Index:** Expectations (3-ma) (1985=100) (92.7)
- **Wages & Salaries** (yearly percent change (-8.5))

CONSUMER CONFIDENCE INDEX & PAYROLL EMPLOYMENT

Present Situation Component (1985=100, sa) (71.1)

Payroll Employment (yearly percent change) (-12.9)


CONSUMER CONFIDENCE INDEX & HOUSEHOLD EMPLOYMENT

Present Situation Component (1985=100, sa) (71.1)

Household Employment (yearly percent change) (-14.9)

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