

The deficit on international current account climbed to \$1,358,000,000 in 1956, twice the figure for 1955.

2.—Gross National Expenditure 1939-56

NOTE.—Figures in this table have been completely revised since the publication of the 1956 Year Book.

(Millions of dollars)

| Item | 1939 | 1944 | 1946 | 1950 ¹ | 1953 | 1954 | 1955 | 1956 |
|--|--------------|---------------|---------------|-------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Personal expenditure on consumer goods and services..... | 3,984 | 6,274 | 8,031 | 12,026 | 15,592 | 16,175 | 17,464 | 18,697 |
| Government expenditure on goods and services..... | 683 | 4,978 | 1,796 | 2,344 | 4,432 | 4,461 | 4,780 | 5,266 |
| Current expenditure..... | .. | .. | .. | 1,756 | 3,454 | 3,519 | 3,746 | 4,004 |
| Gross fixed capital formation..... | .. | .. | .. | 688 | 978 | 942 | 1,034 | 1,262 |
| Business gross fixed capital formation..... | 592 | 900 | 1,388 | 3,348 | 4,998 | 4,779 | 5,210 | 6,629 |
| New residential construction..... | 174 | 267 | 368 | 883 | 1,166 | 1,227 | 1,378 | 1,586 |
| New non-residential construction..... | 164 | 256 | 435 | 1,042 | 1,719 | 1,671 | 1,848 | 2,550 |
| New machinery and equipment..... | 254 | 377 | 585 | 1,423 | 2,113 | 1,881 | 1,984 | 2,553 |
| Value of physical change in inventories.... | 282 | -145 | 333 | 550 | 583 | -130 | 281 | 815 |
| Non-farm business inventories..... | 101 | -10 | 560 | 399 | 351 | -40 | 102 | 545 |
| Farm inventories and grain in commercial channels..... | 181 | -135 | -27 | 151 | 232 | -90 | 179 | 270 |
| Exports of goods and services..... | 1,451 | 3,561 | 3,210 | 4,183 | 5,400 | 5,147 | 5,764 | 6,339 |
| Deduct: Imports of goods and services.... | 1,328 | 3,569 | 2,877 | 4,513 | 5,843 | 5,574 | 6,443 | 7,697 |
| Residual error of estimate..... | -28 | -149 | -31 | 68 | -142 | 13 | 14 | 49 |
| Gross National Expenditure at Market Prices..... | 5,636 | 11,850 | 11,850 | 18,006 | 25,020 | 24,871 | 27,070 | 30,098 |

¹ Newfoundland included from 1950.

3.—Gross National Expenditure in Constant (1949) Dollars 1939-56

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(Millions of dollars)

| Item | 1939 | 1944 | 1946 | 1950 ¹ | 1953 | 1954 | 1955 | 1956 |
|--|-------|-------|--------|-------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Personal expenditure on consumer goods and services..... | 6,510 | 8,444 | 10,323 | 11,642 | 13,338 | 13,650 | 14,738 | 15,516 |
| Government expenditure on goods and services..... | 1,156 | 6,499 | 2,294 | 2,242 | 3,517 | 3,415 | 3,550 | 3,704 |
| Current expenditure..... | .. | .. | .. | 1,680 | 2,748 | 2,678 | 2,754 | 2,779 |
| Gross fixed capital formation..... | .. | .. | .. | 562 | 769 | 739 | 796 | 985 |
| Business gross fixed capital formation..... | 1,053 | 1,235 | 1,846 | 3,167 | 3,926 | 3,723 | 3,973 | 4,787 |
| New residential construction..... | 561 | 401 | 512 | 833 | 905 | 946 | 1,040 | 1,111 |
| New non-residential construction..... | 286 | 355 | 569 | 938 | 1,306 | 1,272 | 1,387 | 1,788 |
| New machinery and equipment..... | 427 | 496 | 777 | 1,346 | 1,715 | 1,505 | 1,586 | 1,893 |
| Adjusting entry..... | -21 | -17 | -12 | — | — | — | — | — |
| Change in inventories..... | 699 | -204 | 536 | 561 | 590 | -216 | 401 | 751 |
| Non-farm business inventories..... | 191 | 5 | 562 | 398 | 320 | -39 | 116 | 453 |
| Farm inventories and grain in commercial channels..... | 505 | -252 | -82 | 163 | 270 | -177 | 285 | 298 |
| Adjusting entry..... | -87 | 43 | 56 | — | — | — | — | — |
| Exports of goods and services..... | 2,885 | 5,168 | 4,115 | 3,999 | 4,809 | 4,616 | 4,960 | 5,313 |
| Deduct: Imports of goods and services.... | 2,599 | 5,020 | 3,717 | 4,206 | 5,269 | 5,013 | 5,672 | 6,567 |

¹ Newfoundland included from 1950.