

Conveyor Equipment Manufacturers Association

Monthly Statistics Report News Release

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NAPLES, FL. — The Conveyor Equipment Manufacturers Association reported that its May 2000 Booked Orders Index was 181, down 56 points, or a decrease of 24%, from April 2000's Index of 237 (1990 = 100). The May 2000 Index represents an increase of 5% from the May 1999 Index of 173.

May Booked Orders Indexes were 94 for Bulk Handling Equipment* and 178 for Unit Handling Equipment.** (1990 = 100) .

The Twelve-Month Index for Booked Orders was 206 in May. The Index represents an increase of 1% from April 2000's Twelve-Month Index of 205.

The CEMA Billed Sales (shipments) Index was 249 in May, down 29 points, or a decrease of 10%, from the April Index of 278. The May 2000 Index represents an increase of 33% from the May 1999 Index of 187.

May Billed Sales Indexes were 96 for Bulk Handling Equipment* and 252 for Unit Handling Equipment** (1990-100).

The Twelve-Month Index for Billed Sales was 234 in May. The Index represents an increase of 2% from April 2000's Twelve Month Index of 229.

* Since Bulk Handling Systems booked and billed sales are reported quarterly, they are averaged back to the two preceding months to enable a running monthly index.

** Effective with the January 1999 report, sales for conveyor chain were added to the booked and billed sales indexes for Unit Handling Equipment.

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