

SIC 35691 at \$590.1 million for the year. Total U.S. shipments of packaging machinery are, therefore, estimated to have been \$1,382.8 million for 1980. As can be seen from Table 2.1, 1979 to 1980 shipments under both sub-sections 35514 and 35691 show an overall increase of 14 and 16 per cent respectively. However, on an annual basis, these increases were relatively small and in the case of both 1979 and 1980 did not cover the cost of inflation. Although preliminary figures are not yet available for 1981, it is logical to assume that both food and non-food packaging machinery will show signs of recovery and a return to a "real" growth rate in that year.

Packaging Machinery Production in California--Totals for California's shipments are not available for sub-sections 35514 and 35691. However, based on the percentages indicated by the Bureau of Industrial Economics for the main classifications, it is possible that California produces approximately \$50 million of non-food packaging machinery and \$90 million of packaging machinery for food annually.

Private Industry Data--The packaging industry's own figures on the annual production of packaging machinery differ radically from Bureau of the Census figures. Modern Packaging* provided figures for 1978 and claimed shipment totals for that year were \$549.3 million.

*Modern Packaging is no longer in existence. It was recently purchased by Packaging Digest.