

Did the CW Lead to a Boom in Industrial Development?

Why would one expect it to have done so?

WR—case studies (boots and shoes, woolens, iron, meat packing, etc.) suggest no.

One Exception—Agriculture
Look at the evidence

Why—men drafted so labor shortage, high price of labor and wheat, etc.

Reaper Sales
+- 20-30K in late 1850s

1862	33K
1863	40K
1864	90K

Did the War cause or contribute significantly to the increase in sales?

McCormick as a source of data

Everyone else is wrong except me!