

University of Pennsylvania
Current Quarter Model of the United States Economy

FORECAST SUMMARY

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At the University of Pennsylvania, in cooperation with Global Insight, we have established statistical relationships between some 75 monthly economic and financial indicators and the main entries in the quarterly national income and product accounts (NIPA). This is a purely econometric system with no personal data adjustment. We update, on a weekly basis, partial information on the United States economy from high-frequency indicators, as they become available, and revise our current (and next) quarter forecasts, on a forward rolling basis.

In addition to economic forecasting at high-frequency intervals, our Current Quarter Model features the combination of GDP forecasts from three approaches -- from bridge equations of both the product (expenditure) side and the income side of the NIPA, and from regressions of GDP on the principal components of selected major indicators.

The Week's Economic Highlights

- Import prices are still under the influence of a continuing weak foreign exchange valuation of the US dollar, especially for crude oil and food price rises.
- Retail sales were better than expected for April, but still under the influence of declining automobile sales.
- Industrial production fell 0.7% in April, but inventories of manufactured goods were not too bad.
- The consumer price index, both in total and core definitions, were all right, at +0.1% and +0.2%, respectively. This index is being watched carefully by the FED, when some FOMC members are concerned about future inflation.
- Housing starts turned out to be better than expected in April, but were not strong for single-family occupancy.
- Our GDP forecasts show very small negative value for the second quarter, but significant positive recovery afterwards, under the influence of the fiscal stimulus.
- The Federal Budget was in surplus for the key tax collection month in April, but the surplus was smaller than in FY07.
- Initial claims for unemployment insurance rose in the week ending May 10, reversing a decline in the previous week.
- The Consumer Sentiment Index reported by the University of Michigan and Reuters Survey for early May was very low, and consumer expectations for inflation were high.
- Our calculation of inflation expectations from Treasury yield spreads for 10-year securities are rising again, but not up to the high values earlier in this year.

FORECAST UPDATE OVERVIEW

This forecast incorporates the following National Income and Product Accounts:

APR 30 GDP (based on Chain 2000 Weights) for 2008Q1: 0.6%
 MAY 01 Personal Income and Consumption for March: 0.3%, 0.4%

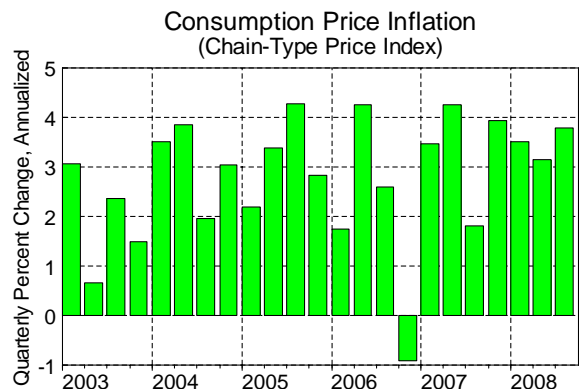
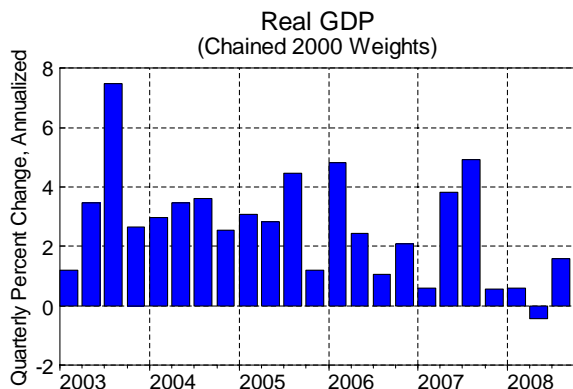
The latest CQM forecast incorporates new monthly economic indicators (marked in red) that were not included in the previous forecast

Date	Economic Indicator	for	Latest	Prior Month
May 01	Construction Spending	March	-1.1%	0.4%
May 02	Nonfarm Payroll Employment	April	-20,000	-81,000
May 01	Auto Sales	April	14.4 Million	15.1 Million
May 07	Consumer Credit Outstanding	March	\$15.3 Billion	\$6.5 Billion
May 13	Export/Import Price Index	April	0.3%, 1.8%	1.5%, 2.9%
Apr 15	Producer Price Index, Total & Core	March	1.1%, 0.2%	0.3%, 0.5%
May 13	Retail Sales, Total & Ex-Auto	April	-0.2%, 0.5%	0.2%, 0.4%
May 15	Industrial Production	April	-0.7%	0.2%
May 13	Business Inventories	March	0.1%	0.5%
May 14	Consumer Price Index, Total & Core	April	0.2%, 0.1%	0.3%, 0.1%
May 16	Housing Starts	April	1,032,000	954,000
May 09	Trade Balance	April	-\$58.2 Billion	-\$61.7 Billion
Apr 24	Durable Goods Orders & Shipments	March	-0.1%, -0.6%	-0.6%, -2.6%
May 02	Manuf Ships, Inv, & Orders	March	1.1%, 0.9%, 1.4%	-1.9%, 0.7%, -0.9%

Weekly forecasts of the quarterly percent change (SAAR) of Real GDP and quarterly percent change (SAAR) of the (Chain-Type) Price Index of Personal Consumption Expenditures:

	Real GDP				PCE Price Index				Official Release	
	07Q4	08Q1	08Q2	08Q3	07Q4	08Q1	08Q2	08Q3		
Jan 14	1.11	0.85			3.96	4.44				
Jan 21	1.04	1.04			3.86	4.07				
Jan 28	1.04	1.04			3.86	4.07				
Feb 04	0.63	0.35	1.18		3.90	4.04	3.85		<=1 st	07Q4
Feb 11	0.56	0.62	1.50		3.90	4.04	3.85			
Feb 18	0.72	0.67	1.48		3.90	4.19	4.01			
Feb 25	0.71	0.60	1.44		3.99	4.24	4.02			
Mar 03	0.62	0.84	1.14		4.08	4.21	4.03		<=2 nd	07Q4
Mar 10	0.67	-0.18	1.02		4.17	4.08	4.21			
Mar 17	0.68	-0.12	1.26		4.16	3.56	3.30			
Mar 24	0.68	-0.13	1.34		4.16	3.56	3.30			
Mar 31	0.58	0.01	1.07		3.95	3.56	3.30		<=3 rd	07Q4
Apr 07		-0.23	0.88			3.56	3.30			
Apr 14		-0.33	0.66			3.56	3.30			
Apr 21		-0.49	0.27			3.65	3.60			
Apr 28		-0.49	0.27			3.65	3.60			
May 05		0.60	-0.50	1.34		3.52	3.55	3.96	<=1 st	08Q1
May 12		0.95	-0.45	1.45		3.63	3.55	3.96		
May 19		0.99	-0.44	1.57		3.63	3.16	3.80		

* Official figures released by the Department of Commerce are in blue.



High Frequency Indicators

The Week in Review (May 12 - 16)

Retail Sales

Retail sales fell 0.2% in April, reversing a 0.2% gain in March.

Sales of motor vehicles fell 2.8% in April. Excluding autos, retail sales rose 0.5%. This was the strongest monthly increase in the past three months. Non-auto retail sales in March were also revised up to a gain of 0.4%.

Sales at general merchandise stores went up 0.5%, while sales at clothing stores increased 0.7%.

Restaurant sales rose 0.9%, and sales at food stores were up 0.5%.

Consumer Sentiment Index

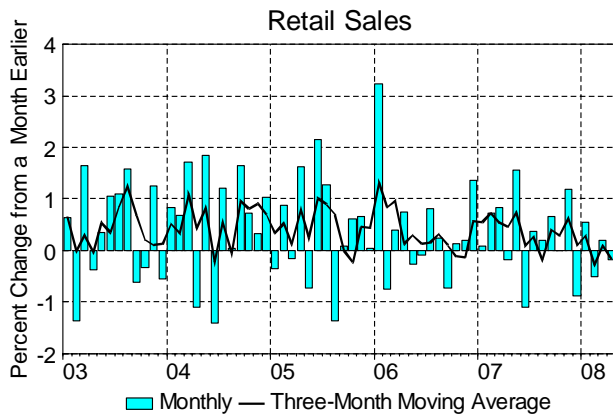
Consumer confidence remained weak, based on the Consumer Sentiment Survey from the University of Michigan and Reuters.

In the May preliminary survey, the Index of Consumer Sentiment stood at 59.5, down from 62.6 in April. This was the weakest reading since 1980.

The Expectations Index was down to 51.7 in May, from 53.3 in April, marking the weakest estimate of this component since 1990.

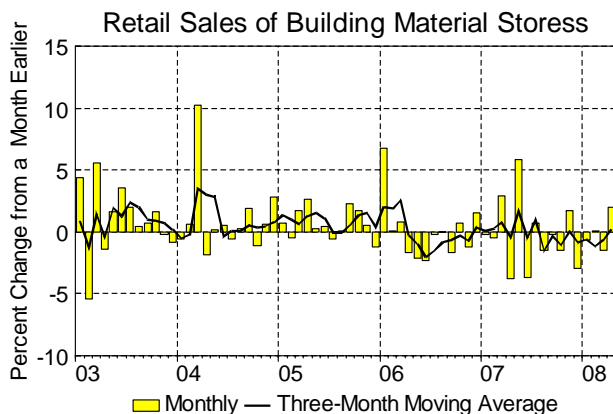
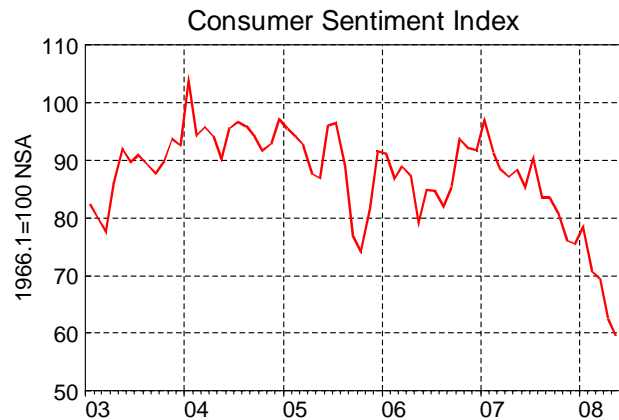
The Current Conditions Index also fell, from 77.0 in April, to 71.7 in May, the weakest in 28 years.

Consumers' inflation expectations for the next year rose from 4.8% in April to 5.2% in May, the highest in 26 years.



In April, gasoline sales fell 0.4%; retail gasoline prices were higher.

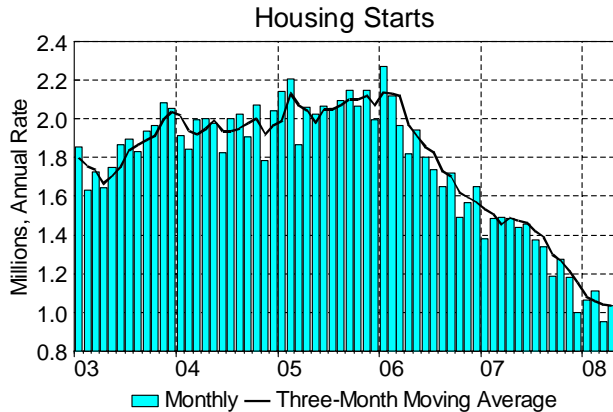
Home-related sales were higher in April. Sales of building material stores rose 1.9% (the strongest performance since May 2007), while sales of electronics and appliances were up 1.4%. Furniture sales inched up 0.1%.



Housing Starts

In April, housing starts soared 8.2% to 1.032 million (annual rate). This was a positive surprise, as market watchers had instead anticipated a decline. Housing starts in March were revised upward, to 954,000 (annual rate). The April figure marked the third monthly increase in the past four months, giving hope that the slowdown in the housing market might have touched

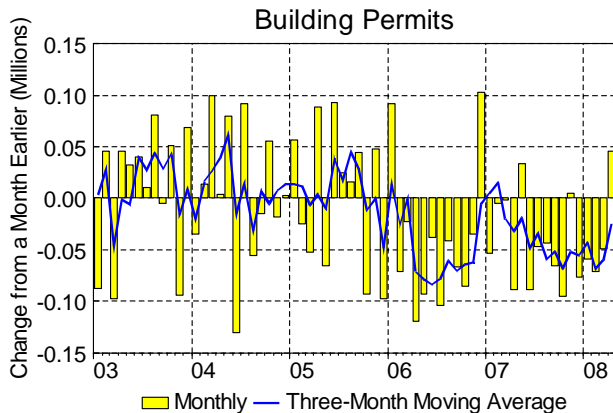
bottom. That said, compared to a year ago, housing starts were down 30.6%.



The April increase was led by multi-family starts, which rose 40.5% to 326,000. In contrast, starts of single-family homes fell 1.7% to 692,000. This was the weakest since January 1991 and marked the 12th consecutive monthly decline.

By region, housing starts rose 24% in the Midwest, 19% in the West, and 4% in the South. This was partially offset by a 13% decline in the Northeast.

Building permits rose 4.9% in April to 978,000 (annual rate). Permits for single-family homes were up 4%, while permits for multi-family homes increased 6.8%.



Industrial Production

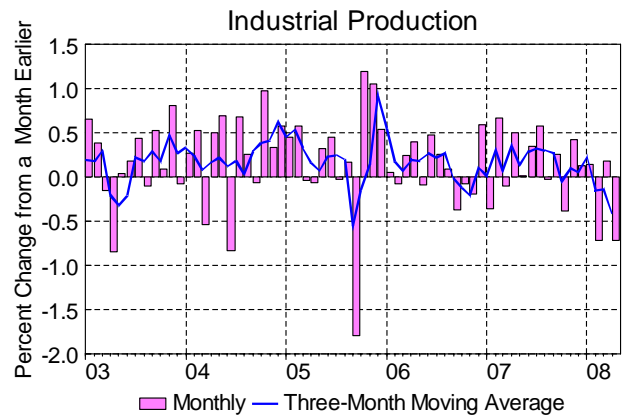
In April, industrial production fell 0.7%, after a 0.2% increase in March. Compared to a year ago, industrial production was down 1.2%.

Manufacturing output fell 0.8%, the biggest monthly decline since September 2005.

Mining output was down 0.8%, while output of utilities rose 0.3%.

The April decline in manufacturing output was seen across sectors. Output of business equipment was

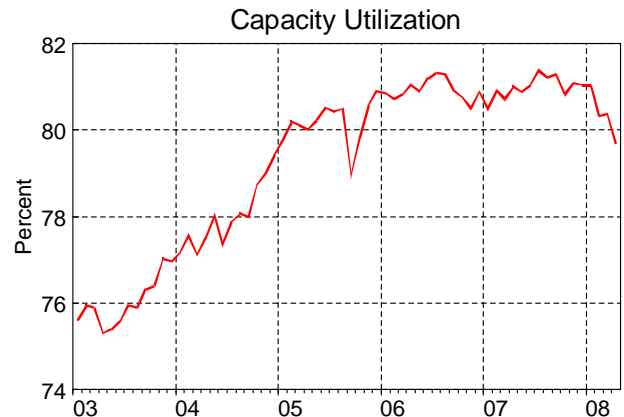
down 1.1%, while output of consumer goods fell 0.8%. Output of industrial supplies was down 0.8% as well, while output of materials fell 0.7%.



Auto production dropped 8.2%. Compared to a year ago, auto output fell 16.8%. Light truck production was down 12%, while car production dropped 16%. The labor strike at American Axle was a contributing factor to recent months' decline in auto output. Excluding autos, manufacturing output was down 0.4%.

Production of machinery, fabricated metals and non-metal minerals all fell by more than 1% in April.

On the positive side, high-tech production went up 1% in April.



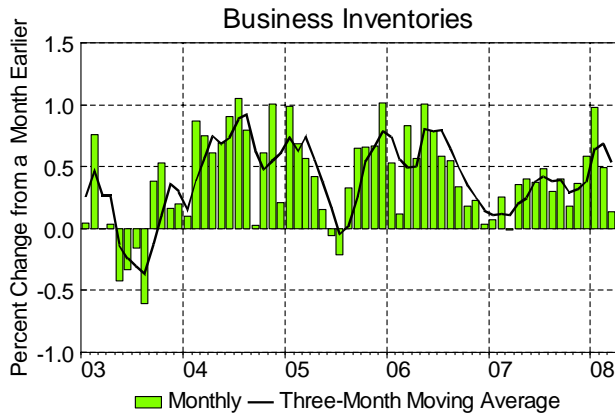
In April, the capacity utilization rate fell to 79.7%, from 80.4% in March. This was 1.3 percentage points below the average of 1992-2007.

Business Inventories

In March, business inventories inched up 0.1%, following a 0.5% increase in February. Meanwhile, business sales were up 1.0% in the same month. The inventory-to-sales ratio inched down to 1.27 in March.

Retail inventories were down 0.5% in March, following a 0.1% decline in February. Auto retail inventories dropped 0.9% in March, the strongest decline in the past three months.

Inventories of manufacturers went up 0.9%.



Empire State Index

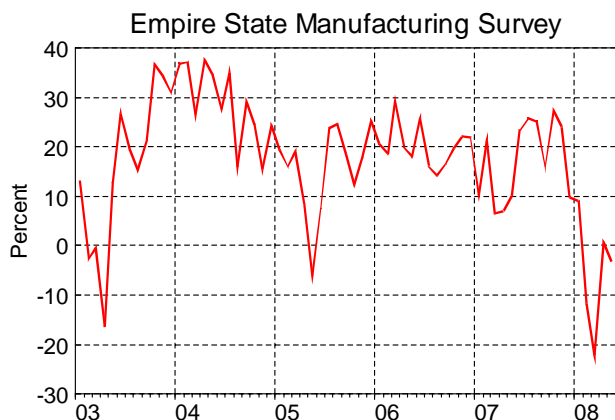
In May, the Empire State Index fell to -3.2, from +0.6 in April. A negative reading indicates contraction of manufacturing activities in the New York region in the near term.

New orders fell from +0.4 to -0.5 in May.

Shipments fell more than 13 index points to 4.6, but remained positive.

Employment rose from 0 to 1.1.

Prices paid jumped 12 index points to 69.9.



Philadelphia Fed Survey

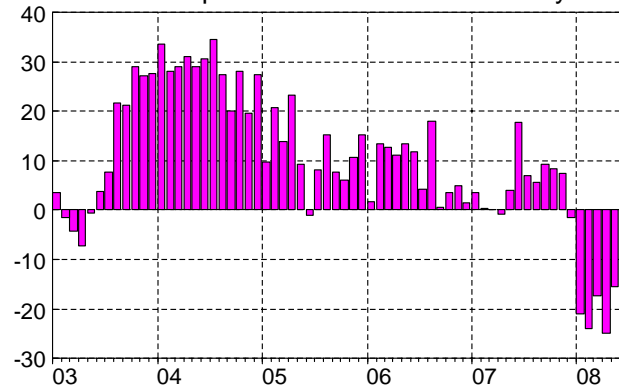
The Philadelphia Fed survey remained negative for the sixth consecutive month. In May, the index stood at -15.6, still negative, but an improvement from a reading of -24.9 in April.

New orders improved from -18.8 in April to -3.7 in May.

Shipments jumped from -8 in April to +2.2 in May.

Prices paid continued to rise, from 51.6 in April to 53.8 in May. Prices received improved marginally, from 30.9 in April to 31.6 in May.

Philadelphia Business Outlook Survey



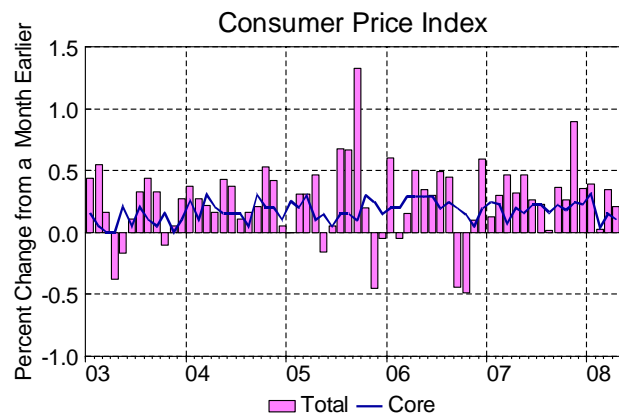
Consumer Price Index

In April, the consumer price index rose 0.2%, following a 0.3% increase in March.

Energy prices were unchanged in April, after a 1.9% increase in March. Prices of gasoline fell 2.0%, but prices of natural gas surged 4.8%.

Meanwhile, food prices went up 0.9% in April, the biggest monthly increase in 18 years.

Excluding food and energy, the core CPI was up 0.1%.

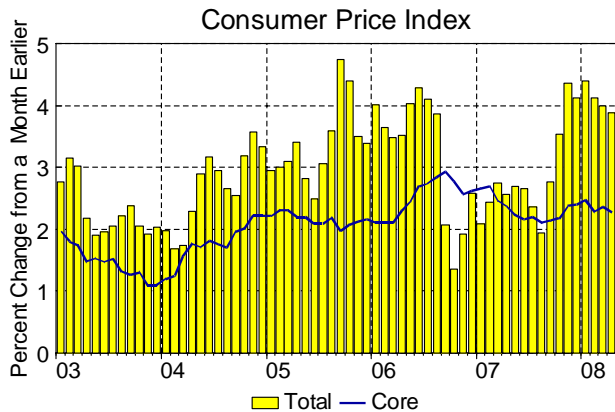


Outside of food and energy, consumer prices were mixed. Apparel prices increased 0.5%, following a 1.3% decline in March. Owners equivalent rent was up 0.2%. Medical care costs rose 0.2%, following a 0.1% gain in March.

Meanwhile, transportation costs were down 0.7%, with a 0.5% price drop for airfares and a 0.2% price decline for new cars.

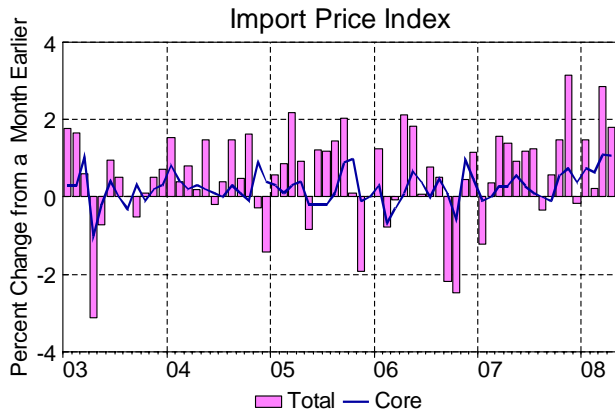
Lodging prices fell for the fourth consecutive month, down by 1.9% in April.

Compared to a year ago, consumer prices increased 3.9% in total and 2.3% excluding food and energy.

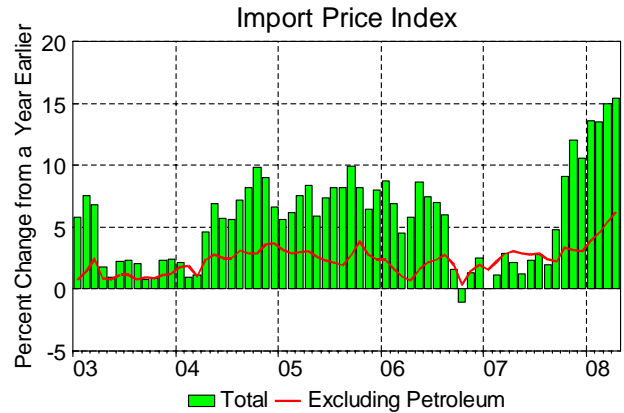


Import Price Index

In April, the import price index was up 1.8%, following a 2.9% increase in March. Prices of imported petroleum went up 4.4% in April. Compared to a year ago, prices of imported petroleum jumped 57.2%. Excluding petroleum, import prices gained 1.1% in April, a record high in 20 years.

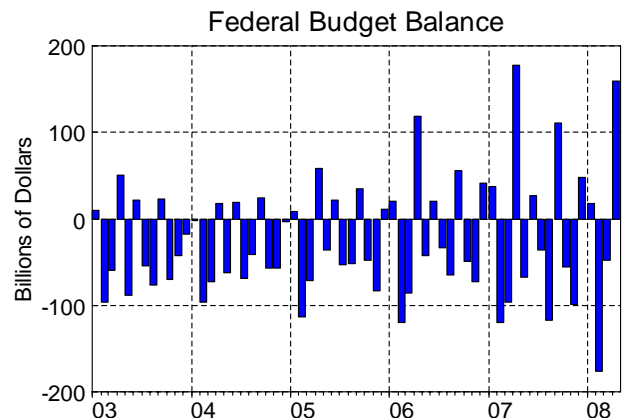


Prices of imported goods rose 0.4%. Prices of imported capital goods were up 0.8%. By region, due to a weak US dollar, prices of imported goods from Canada increased 2.6%, while prices of goods from Mexico were up 2.2%. Prices of imported goods from China inched up 0.2%. Inflationary pressure from import prices has been accelerating on a year-over-year basis (see graph in the next column). Compared to a year ago, import prices were up 15.4% in April.



Federal Budget Balance

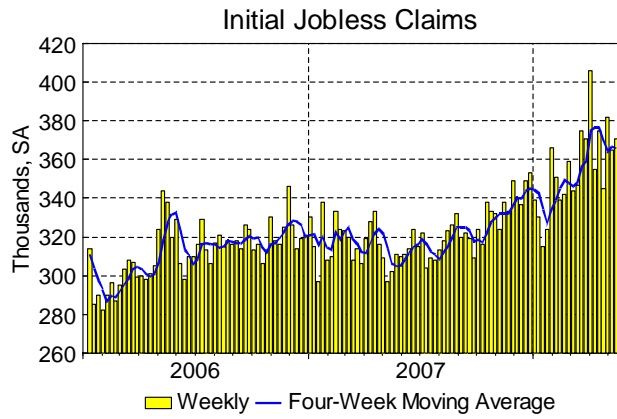
In April, the monthly treasury budget surplus stood at \$159.3 billion, down from \$177.7 billion in April 2007. Budget revenue rose 5% from a year ago, to \$404 billion. Budget outlays, however, jumped 19% to \$244.5 billion. The April decline in the monthly surplus was largely attributed to a shift in timing of some payments. At the same time, in April, the government sent out \$3.4 billion in tax rebate checks. For the six-month period in fiscal year 2008, the deficit stood at \$152.2 billion, up 88% from the same period of FY2007. Outlays in the six-month period rose 7.4% to \$1.7 trillion. Military spending jumped more than 10%. Social security benefits rose 5.5%. Medicare spending was up 2%.



Initial Jobless Claims

For the week ending May 10, initial jobless claims rose 6,000 to 371,000, reversing the prior week's decrease. The prior week's initial claims figure was unchanged at 365,000. The four-week moving average of claims fell 1,000 to 365,750. The number of insured unemployed rose 28,000 to 3.06 million, for the week ending May 3, the highest

since March 2004. The insured unemployment rate was unchanged at 2.3%.

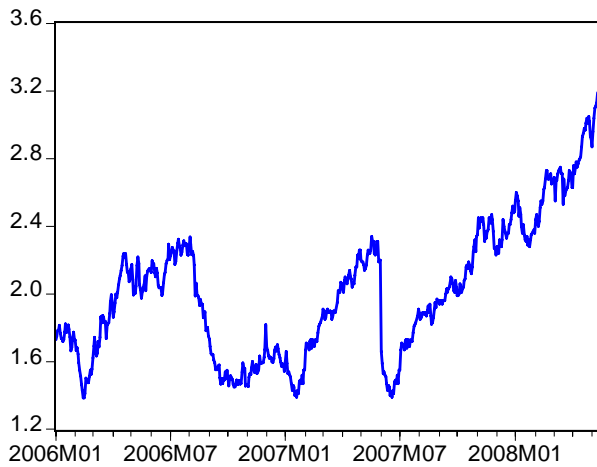


Energy Prices

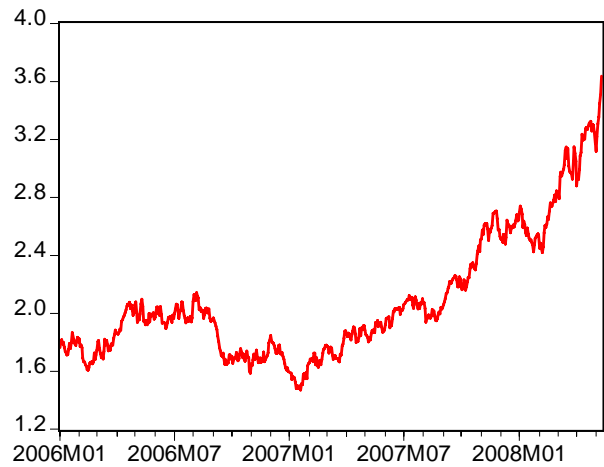
The upward pressure on energy prices remained, for the second consecutive week. Saudi Arabia rejected a plea from President Bush to increase oil production. Goldman Sachs has revised their price outlook for the second half of this year, from \$107 a barrel, to \$141 a barrel. All these news items pushed oil prices even higher. Meanwhile, the US Energy Department announced that it would stop oil deliveries to the strategic oil reserves in July. The government’s announcement helped to bring down oil prices only marginally.

By Friday’s market close, crude oil for June delivery traded at \$126.29 a barrel, up 33 cents from week ago, following a \$10 increase in the previous week.

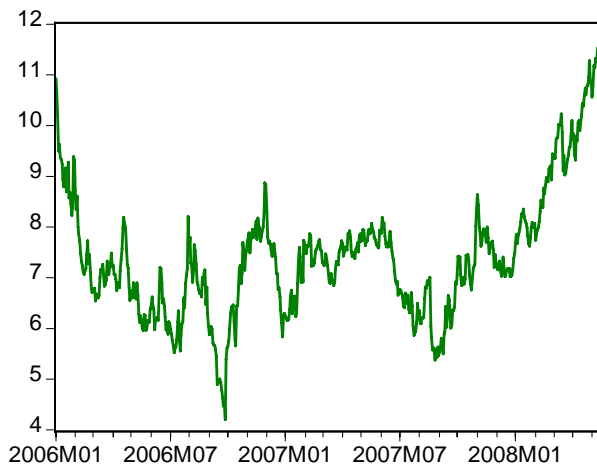
Prices of other energy commodities also closed higher this week, with the exception of natural gas prices. Prices of heating oil were up 7 cents to close Friday at \$3.71 per gallon. Prices of gasoline were up 2 cents, to \$3.22 per gallon. Finally, prices of natural gas fell 28 cents, to \$11.26 per mmbtu.



— Gasoline Futures Price, \$/Gallon



— Heating Oil Futures Price, \$/Gallon



— Natural Gas Futures Price, \$/MMBTU



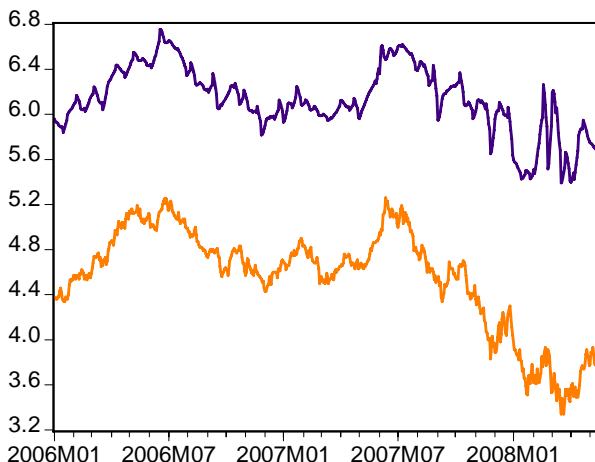
— Crude Oil (WTI) Futures Price, \$/Barrel

Interest Rates

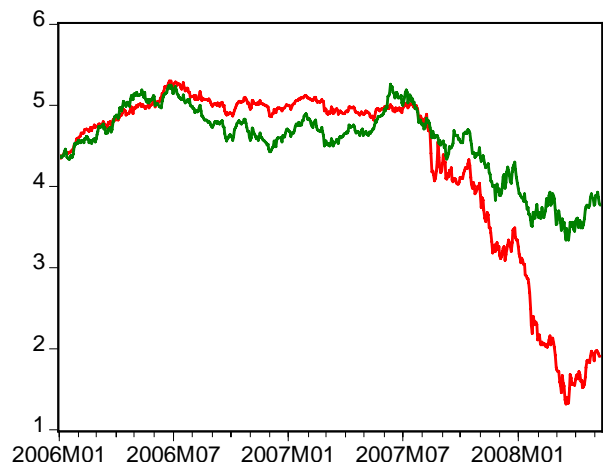
Treasury prices sank this week, as market movers focused their primary concern on rising inflationary pressure upon the surge of oil prices. Inflationary concerns were further heightened, when Kansas City Fed Bank President Thomas Hoenig commented on May 13th that inflation has reached “unacceptable levels.” President Hoenig’s comments have also prompted speculation that the Federal Reserve might be less aggressive with interest rate cuts in the near term.

By Friday’s market close, the two-year treasury yielded 2.45%, up 21 basis points from a week ago. This was the biggest weekly yield increase for short-term treasuries in the past three weeks. The ten-year treasury yield stood at 3.85% by the week’s close, up 9 basis points from a week ago.

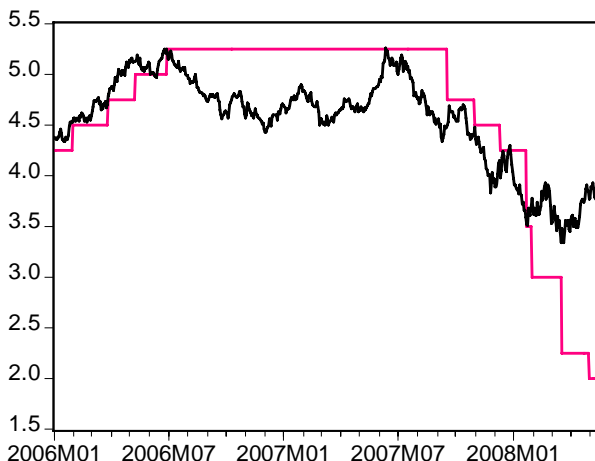
The upward pressure on daily inflation expectations (yield on unprotected minus yield on protected 10-year bonds) rose for the third consecutive week. They currently stand at 2.49%, up 9 basis points from a week ago. FED officials indicate that they remain concerned about inflation, while trying to prevent the trend pattern of real GDP from significant decline.



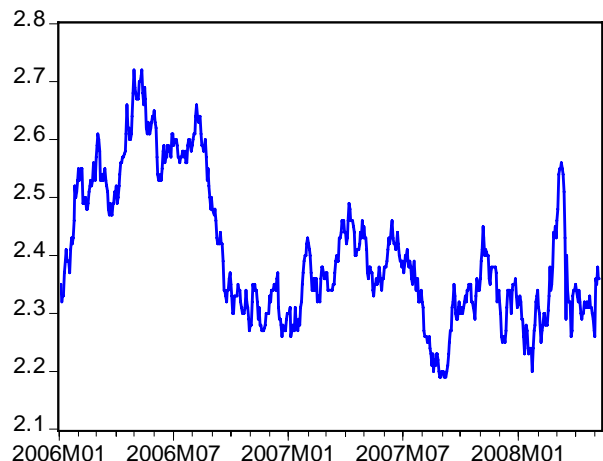
— 10-year treasury yield
— Average weekly yield of 30-year mortgages



— 1-year treasury bill
— 10-year treasury yield



— Federal funds rate
— 10-year treasury yield



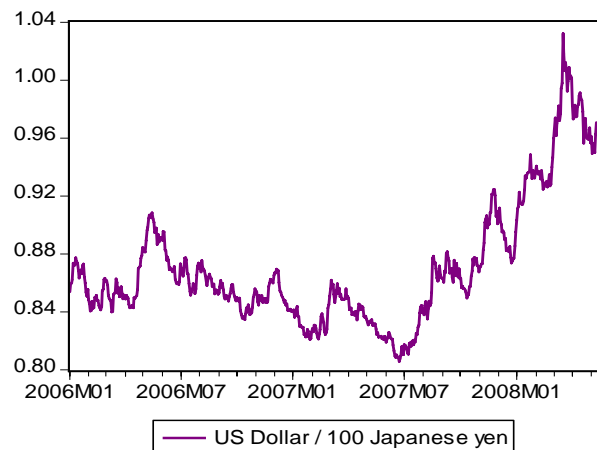
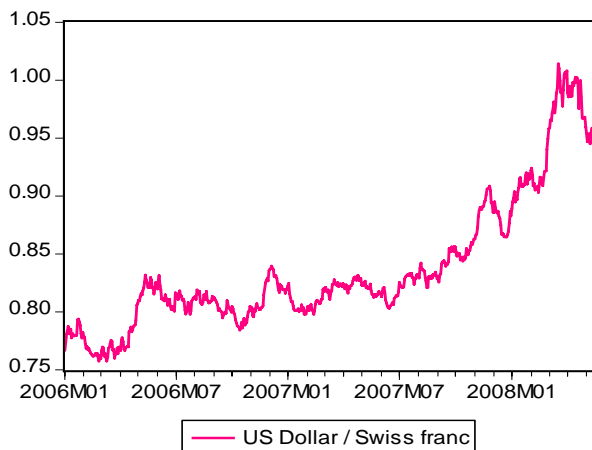
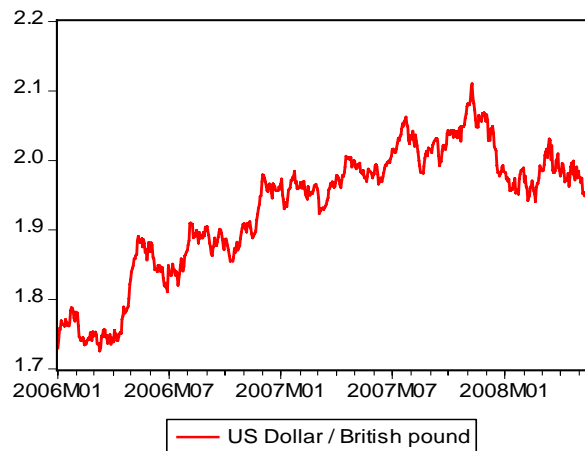
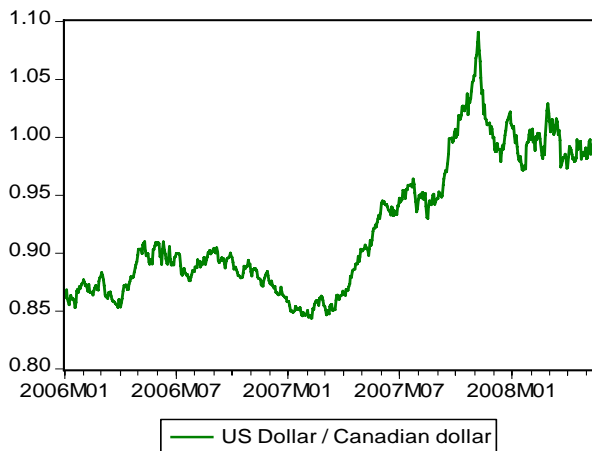
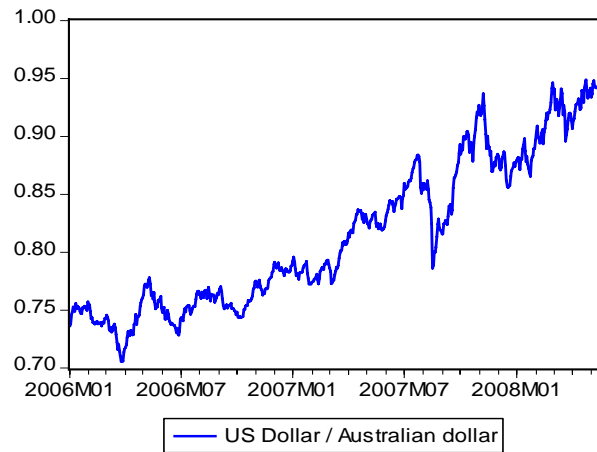
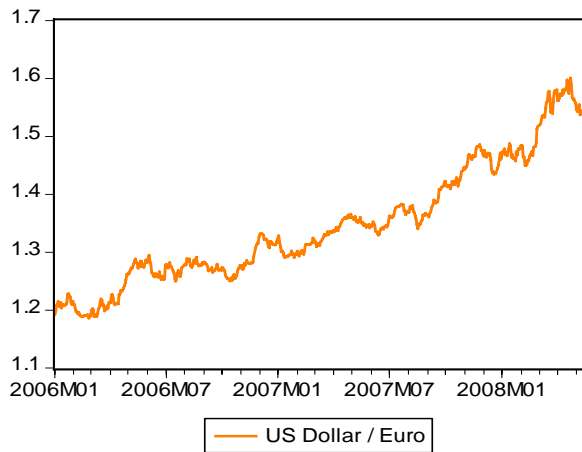
— Daily Inflation Expectations

Currency Markets

The US dollar's weak momentum continued for the second consecutive week. Surging oil prices, inflationary concern, and volatile stock market performance are all contributing factors to the bearish sentiment on the US dollar.

By Friday's market close, the US dollar stood at \$1.5528 per euro, down 0.4% from a week ago. The US dollar traded at \$1.9574 per British pound, down marginally against the British currency.

The US dollar also continued to slide against the Canadian dollar. The greenback was at US\$1.0008 per Canadian dollar, up about 1% in the week. The only exception was the Japanese yen, where the US dollar traded at 104.07 yen per US dollar, gaining about 2 yen from a week ago.



The Week in Preview (May 19 - 23)

Date	Economic Indicator	For	Market Consensus	Prior Month
May 19	Index of Leading Indicators	April	0.0%	0.1%
May 20	Producer Price Index, total	April	0.3%	1.1%
May 20	Producer Price Index, core	April	0.2%	0.2%
May 23	Existing Home Sales	April	4.85 million	4.93 million

Current Quarter Forecasts

In the second quarter, our forecast for real GDP is expected to decrease 0.4% (SAAR), to be followed by 1.6% growth in the third quarter of 2008.

The GDP deflator is projected to increase 2.87% in the second quarter (SAAR), and 2.91% in the third quarter of 2008.

Nominal GDP is forecasted to total US\$14.3 trillion in the second quarter, to be followed by US\$14.4 trillion in the third quarter of 2008. This amounts to 2.4% (SAAR) expansion in the second quarter and 4.5% increase in the third quarter of 2008.

New Projections

A methodological concept for high-frequency forecasting is to revise forecasts by using new observations as soon as they are available. In the general pattern of BEA releases on NIPA sequences, there are 3 reports every quarter – advance, preliminary, and final. We are now making fresh estimates of GDP and consumer price rates of change by re-estimating quarterly values for the preliminary and final estimates prior to their official release dates. You will find our final projection values on page 2 of this report for the weeks of Feb 11th-25th, Mar 10th-24th and May 12th-19th.

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Monthly Economic Indicators

	JAN08	FEB08	MAR08	APR08	MAY08	JUN08	2008Q1 Actual	2008Q2 Forecast
PRODUCTION								
Nonfarm Payroll Employment (Mil)	138.002	137.919	137.838	137.818	137.797	137.802	137.920	137.806
+ Difference	-0.076	-0.083	-0.081	-0.020	-0.021	0.005	-0.111	-0.114
% Change, Annual Rate	-0.7	-0.7	-0.7	-0.2	-0.2	0.0	-0.3	-0.3
% Change, Year Ago	0.7	0.6	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.5	0.2
DEMAND AND SPENDING								
Retail Sales (Bil\$)	342.38	340.60	341.25	340.22	343.13	345.09	341.41	342.81
% Change	0.6	-0.5	0.2	-0.3	0.9	0.6		
% Change, Annual Rate	8.1	-6.1	2.3	-3.6	10.8	7.1	0.3	1.7
% Change, Year Ago	3.9	2.5	1.9	1.8	1.0	2.9	2.8	1.9
PRICES								
PPI, Finished Goods (1982=100)	173.3	173.9	175.8	176.9	177.8	178.8	174.3	177.9
% Change	1.0	0.3	1.1	0.6	0.5	0.6		
% Change, Annual Rate	12.6	4.2	13.9	7.9	6.2	7.2	9.0	8.3
% Change, Year Ago	7.7	6.8	6.9	6.9	6.8	7.3	7.1	7.0
CPI, All-Urban (1982-84=100)	212.5	212.6	213.3	213.7	214.3	215.0	212.8	214.4
% Change	0.4	0.0	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.3		
% Change, Annual Rate	4.8	0.3	4.2	2.5	3.3	4.0	4.3	3.0
% Change, Year Ago	4.4	4.1	4.0	3.9	3.7	3.8	4.2	3.8
Housing Starts (Mil)	1.064	1.107	0.954	1.032	1.031	1.023	1.042	1.028
% Change	6.4	4.0	-13.8	8.2	-0.1	-0.8		
% Change, Annual Rate	110.5	60.9	-83.2	156.8	-1.4	-9.0	-33.0	-5.0
% Change, Year Ago	-23.0	-25.5	-36.1	-30.6	-28.2	-29.9	-28.3	-29.6
Industrial Production Index (2002=	112.60	111.79	111.98	111.18	111.00	111.12	112.12	111.10
% Change	0.1	-0.7	0.2	-0.7	-0.2	0.1		
% Change, Annual Rate	1.7	-8.3	2.1	-8.3	-1.9	1.3	-0.2	-3.6
% Change, Year Ago	2.6	1.1	1.4	0.2	0.0	-0.2	1.7	0.0
New Orders for Manufactured Goods	435.42	433.86	439.45	438.17	440.62	443.23	436.24	440.67
% Change	-2.4	-0.4	1.3	-0.3	0.6	0.6		
% Change, Annual Rate	-24.9	-4.2	16.6	-3.4	6.9	7.3	-1.6	4.1
% Change, Year Ago	7.3	5.1	4.1	2.2	3.2	3.7	5.4	3.0
Nondefense Capital Goods Shipments	68.95	66.46	67.10	67.57	67.30	67.49	67.50	67.45
% Change	1.7	-3.6	1.0	0.7	-0.4	0.3		
% Change, Annual Rate	22.3	-35.7	12.2	8.8	-4.8	3.5	0.7	-0.3
% Change, Year Ago	7.7	2.0	2.4	2.4	1.1	1.8	5.4	3.0
Sales of Domestic Passenger Cars (5.07	5.02	4.94	4.92	4.86	4.78	5.01	4.86
% Change	-8.4	-1.0	-1.6	-0.4	-1.2	-1.6		
% Change, Annual Rate	-65.3	-11.0	-17.1	-4.7	-14.0	-17.2	-27.9	-11.8
% Change, Year Ago	-3.2	-1.0	-3.1	-1.9	-11.9	-8.8	-2.4	-7.7
Business Inventories (Bil\$)	1457.95	1464.50	1466.61	1474.69	1482.45	1489.22	1463.02	1482.12
% Change	1.0	0.4	0.1	0.6	0.5	0.5		
% Change, Year Ago	4.7	4.9	5.1	5.4	5.5	5.6	4.9	5.5
+ Difference, Annual Rate	169.4	78.5	25.4	96.9	93.1	81.3	105.1	76.4
EXTERNAL SECTOR								
Merchandise Trade Balance, Census	-67.84	-69.52	-66.51	-69.18	-67.25	-66.95	-815.50	-813.56
+ Difference	-1.7	-1.7	3.0	-2.7	1.9	0.3		
+ Difference, Annual Rate	-20.5	-20.1	36.1	-32.1	23.2	3.6	-7.01	1.94
+ Difference, year ago	-4.8	-5.3	1.7	-4.1	-0.9	-0.1		

FORECAST SUMMARY
GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT
 Billions of (Chained 2000) Dollars, S.A.A.R.

	2007Q3	2007Q4	2008Q1	2008Q2	2008Q3
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Real GDP					
(i) Expenditure Side GDP	11658.9	11675.7	11693.1	11702.0	11770.0
% Previous Q, A.R.	4.91	0.58	0.60	0.31	2.34
% Year before	2.84	2.46	2.46	1.58	0.95
(ii) Income Side GDP	11658.9	11675.7	11693.1	11621.7	11630.5
% Previous Q, A.R.	4.91	0.58	0.60	-2.42	0.31
% Year before	2.84	2.46	2.46	0.88	-0.24
(iii) Principal Components est. GDP	11658.9	11675.7	11693.1	11717.2	11777.5
% Previous Q, A.R.	4.91	0.58	0.60	0.83	2.07
% Year before	2.84	2.46	2.46	1.71	1.02
Average Real GDP	11658.9	11675.7	11693.1	11680.3	11726.0
% Previous Q, A.R.	4.91	0.58	0.60	-0.44	1.57
% Year before	2.84	2.46	2.46	1.39	0.58
GDP Deflator (2000=100)					
(i) Expenditure Side PGDP	119.8	120.6	121.3	122.2	123.1
% Previous Q, A.R.	1.04	2.44	2.60	2.94	3.02
% Year before	2.40	2.58	2.18	2.25	2.75
(ii) Income Side PGDP: Same as (i)	119.8	120.6	121.3	122.2	123.1
% Previous Q, A.R.	1.04	2.44	2.60	2.94	3.02
% Year before	2.40	2.58	2.18	2.25	2.75
(iii) Principal Components est. PGDP	119.8	120.6	121.3	122.2	123.0
% Previous Q, A.R.	1.04	2.44	2.60	2.73	2.68
% Year before	2.40	2.58	2.18	2.20	2.61
Average GDP Deflator	119.8	120.6	121.3	122.2	123.1
% Previous Q, A.R.	1.04	2.44	2.60	2.87	2.91
% Year before	2.40	2.58	2.18	2.24	2.70
Nominal GDP					
(i) Expenditure Side GDP\$	13970.5	14074.2	14185.2	14298.4	14482.7
% Previous Q, A.R.	5.99	3.00	3.19	3.23	5.25
% Year before	5.30	5.09	4.67	3.85	3.67
(ii) Income Side GDP\$	13970.5	14074.2	14185.2	14203.9	14320.8
% Previous Q, A.R.	5.99	3.00	3.19	0.53	3.33
% Year before	5.30	5.09	4.67	3.16	2.51
(iii) Principal Components est. GDP\$	13970.5	14074.2	14185.2	14313.5	14482.6
% Previous Q, A.R.	5.99	3.00	3.19	3.67	4.81
% Year before	5.30	5.09	4.67	3.96	3.67
Average Nominal GDP	13970.5	14074.2	14185.2	14271.9	14428.7
% Previous Q, A.R.	5.99	3.00	3.19	2.47	4.47
% Year before	5.30	5.09	4.67	3.65	3.28

EXPENDITURE SIDE

Real Gross Domestic Product

2007Q3 2007Q4 2008Q1 2008Q2 2008Q3

Billions of Chained (2000) Dollars, SAAR

Gross Domestic Product	11658.90	11675.70	11693.10	11702.04	11770.03
Total Demand	13633.20	13643.00	13672.80	13679.57	13736.83
Domestic Demand	12188.30	12175.50	12186.20	12181.09	12216.25
Domestic Final Demand	12155.60	12194.60	12182.00	12170.01	12202.43
Final Demand	11626.40	11695.20	11689.10	11693.22	11760.47
Personal Consumption Expenditures	8302.24	8349.08	8369.09	8366.07	8389.81
Durable Goods	1241.91	1248.13	1228.70	1221.45	1222.38
Nondurable Goods	2396.83	2404.15	2396.32	2378.91	2383.13
Services	4689.46	4722.38	4762.22	4783.02	4802.75
Gross Private Domestic Investment	1859.90	1787.70	1766.60	1754.23	1759.42
Fixed Investment	1826.00	1807.50	1761.90	1743.13	1745.60
Nonresidential	1387.30	1407.80	1398.80	1407.31	1418.83
Equipment and Software	1073.46	1081.72	1079.83	1089.59	1103.09
Structures	311.09	320.31	315.24	315.33	315.48
Residential	463.30	430.90	398.80	375.99	369.22
Change In Business Inventories	30.60	-18.30	1.80	11.09	13.83
Farm	4.10	2.20	-0.70	-1.23	-0.47
Nonfarm	26.02	-21.68	2.73	12.32	14.30
Net Exports	-533.10	-503.20	-495.90	-476.77	-441.90
Exports	1441.20	1464.10	1483.80	1498.50	1520.62
Imports	1974.30	1967.30	1979.70	1975.27	1962.52
Government Purchases	2033.60	2043.40	2053.50	2060.79	2067.14
Federal	764.00	765.00	773.70	777.29	778.56
State and Local	1269.60	1278.30	1280.10	1283.51	1288.63

Percent Change, Annual Rate

Gross Domestic Product	4.91	0.58	0.60	0.31	2.34
Total Demand	4.83	0.29	0.88	0.20	1.68
Domestic Demand	3.33	-0.42	0.35	-0.17	1.16
Domestic Final Demand	2.48	1.29	-0.41	-0.39	1.07
Final Demand	4.01	2.39	-0.21	0.14	2.32
Personal Consumption Expenditures	2.84	2.28	0.96	-0.14	1.14
Durable Goods	4.48	2.02	-6.08	-2.34	0.31
Nondurable Goods	2.21	1.23	-1.30	-2.88	0.71
Services	2.84	2.84	3.42	1.76	1.66
Gross Private Domestic Investment					
Fixed Investment	-0.72	-3.99	-9.72	-4.19	0.57
Nonresidential	9.36	6.04	-2.53	2.46	3.31
Equipment and Software	6.21	3.11	-0.69	3.66	5.05
Structures	16.35	12.39	-6.18	0.12	0.19
Residential	-20.53	-25.17	-26.63	-20.99	-7.01
Exports	19.13	6.51	5.49	4.02	6.04
Imports	4.35	-1.41	2.55	-0.89	-2.56
Government Purchases	3.78	1.94	1.99	1.43	1.24
Federal	7.11	0.52	4.63	1.87	0.66
State and Local	1.95	2.77	0.56	1.07	1.61

EXPENDITURE SIDE

Nominal Gross Domestic Product

	2007Q3	2007Q4	2008Q1	2008Q2	2008Q3
Billions of Dollars, SAAR					
Gross Domestic Product	13970.50	14074.20	14185.20	14298.44	14482.69
Total Demand	16350.90	16520.80	16721.70	16889.18	17115.93
Domestic Demand	14665.10	14783.10	14922.50	15046.54	15227.33
Domestic Final Demand	14629.70	14810.50	14924.30	15032.99	15210.32
Final Demand	13935.00	14101.60	14187.00	14284.89	14465.68
Personal Consumption Expenditures	9785.72	9936.62	10046.95	10121.96	10245.69
Durable Goods	1081.65	1082.50	1065.06	1056.52	1056.89
Nondurable Goods	2846.29	2904.47	2941.64	2940.90	2979.41
Services	5857.78	5949.65	6040.25	6124.53	6209.38
Gross Private Domestic Investment	2162.90	2082.10	2050.80	2055.76	2073.76
Fixed Investment	2127.50	2109.50	2052.60	2042.22	2056.75
Nonresidential	1500.10	1526.50	1516.30	1532.50	1552.64
Equipment and Software	1017.09	1025.26	1021.23	1034.14	1050.67
Structures	483.06	501.27	495.03	498.36	501.97
Residential	627.30	582.90	536.40	509.72	504.12
Change In Business Inventories	35.40	-27.40	-1.80	13.54	17.01
Farm	3.80	0.30	-3.40	-1.50	-0.58
Nonfarm	31.62	-27.72	1.56	15.05	17.59
Net Exports	-694.70	-708.90	-737.30	-748.10	-744.64
Exports	1685.70	1737.70	1799.20	1842.65	1888.61
Imports	2380.40	2446.60	2536.50	2590.75	2633.25
Government Purchases	2716.50	2764.40	2824.70	2868.82	2907.88
Federal	990.30	997.70	1023.80	1035.28	1047.32
State and Local	1726.20	1766.70	1801.00	1833.54	1860.56

Percent Change, Annual Rate

Gross Domestic Product	5.99	3.00	3.19	3.23	5.25
Total Demand	6.87	4.22	4.95	4.07	5.48
Domestic Demand	5.12	3.26	3.83	3.37	4.89
Domestic Final Demand	4.26	5.04	3.11	2.95	4.80
Final Demand	5.08	4.87	2.44	2.79	5.16
Personal Consumption Expenditures	4.70	6.31	4.52	3.02	4.98
Durable Goods	2.60	0.32	-6.29	-3.17	0.14
Nondurable Goods	3.38	8.43	5.22	-0.10	5.34
Services	5.75	6.42	6.23	5.70	5.66
Gross Private Domestic Investment	4.53	-14.13	-5.88	0.97	3.55
Fixed Investment	-1.19	-3.34	-10.36	-2.01	2.88
Nonresidential	8.71	7.23	-2.65	4.34	5.36
Equipment and Software	5.09	3.25	-1.56	5.15	6.55
Structures	16.93	15.95	-4.89	2.72	2.93
Residential	-20.72	-25.45	-28.29	-18.46	-4.32
Exports	23.61	12.92	14.93	10.01	10.36
Imports	12.19	11.60	15.53	8.83	6.73
Government Purchases	7.15	7.24	9.01	6.40	5.56
Federal	8.86	3.02	10.88	4.56	4.73
State and Local	6.18	9.72	7.99	7.43	6.03

EXPENDITURE SIDE

Gross Domestic Product Chain-Type Price Index

	2007Q3	2007Q4	2008Q1	2008Q2	2008Q3
Index 2000=100					
Gross Domestic Product	119.84	120.56	121.34	122.22	123.13
Total Demand	119.93	121.09	122.30	123.46	124.61
Domestic Demand	120.33	121.43	122.47	123.52	124.65
Domestic Final Demand	120.36	121.45	122.51	123.52	124.66
Final Demand	119.86	120.58	121.37	122.16	123.01
Personal Consumption Expenditures	117.87	119.02	120.05	120.99	122.12
Durable Goods	87.09	86.73	86.68	86.50	86.46
Nondurable Goods	118.75	120.81	122.76	123.62	125.02
Services	124.92	126.00	126.85	128.05	129.29
Gross Private Domestic Investment	116.33	116.55	116.22	117.18	117.87
Fixed Investment	116.50	116.70	116.48	117.16	117.82
Nonresidential	108.14	108.44	108.40	108.90	109.43
Equipment and Software	94.75	94.78	94.58	94.91	95.25
Structures	155.39	156.61	157.15	158.04	159.12
Residential	135.37	135.24	134.46	135.57	136.53
Exports	116.99	118.70	121.28	122.97	124.20
Imports	120.57	124.36	128.13	131.16	134.18
Government Purchases	133.59	135.29	137.56	139.21	140.68
Federal	129.62	130.42	132.33	133.19	134.52
State and Local	135.97	138.21	140.70	142.85	144.39

Percent Change, Annual Rate

Gross Domestic Product	1.04	2.44	2.60	2.94	3.02
Total Demand	1.95	3.92	4.04	3.86	3.75
Domestic Demand	1.75	3.71	3.48	3.47	3.71
Domestic Final Demand	1.74	3.70	3.54	3.35	3.71
Final Demand	1.02	2.42	2.66	2.63	2.80
Personal Consumption Expenditures	1.81	3.95	3.52	3.16	3.80
Durable Goods	-1.80	-1.67	-0.22	-0.83	-0.16
Nondurable Goods	1.15	7.12	6.60	2.86	4.60
Services	2.82	3.49	2.72	3.85	3.93
Gross Private Domestic Investment	-0.35	0.77	-1.14	3.37	2.36
Fixed Investment	-0.47	0.68	-0.72	2.34	2.30
Nonresidential	-0.56	1.11	-0.14	1.84	1.98
Equipment and Software	-1.05	0.14	-0.87	1.43	1.43
Structures	0.50	3.17	1.38	2.31	2.74
Residential	-0.27	-0.38	-2.28	3.34	2.88
Exports	3.78	5.98	8.97	5.67	4.07
Imports	7.51	13.17	12.67	9.81	9.53
Government Purchases	3.24	5.18	6.89	4.88	4.31
Federal	1.63	2.47	5.99	2.64	4.05
State and Local	4.17	6.75	7.41	6.26	4.37

INCOME SIDE

GDP, National Income and Personal Income

	2007Q3	2007Q4	2008Q1	2008Q2	2008Q3
Billions of Current Dollars, SAAR					
Gross Domestic Product	13970.50	14074.20	14185.20	14203.89	14320.78
Plus:					
Receipts of Factor Income	855.60	848.10	881.49	916.34	952.72
Less:					
Payments of Factor Income	754.40	700.20	715.71	731.30	746.97
Equals: Gross National Product	14071.60	14222.10	14350.98	14388.93	14526.52
Less:					
Consumption of Fixed Capital	1690.90	1701.10	1709.40	1707.45	1714.71
Equals: Net National Product	12380.80	12520.90	12641.58	12681.48	12812.05
Indirect Business Taxes	1014.37	1024.76	1036.38	1046.89	1060.34
Business Transfers	94.40	97.90	101.10	100.53	99.99
Statistical Discrepancy	84.80	139.90	126.97	115.66	105.77
Net Subsidies	46.62	47.49	48.40	48.01	47.63
National Income	12296.00	12381.00	12496.58	12565.82	12706.28
Corporate Profits	1621.90	1569.00	1576.09	1589.78	1624.44
Net Interest	599.30	619.00	620.01	617.42	618.14
Contribution for Soc. Ins.	983.20	990.60	1011.40	1016.08	1021.52
Personal	505.94	510.08	521.62	523.50	523.50
Employer	477.26	480.53	489.78	492.58	498.02
Personal Interest Income	1171.10	1173.20	1169.30	1168.59	1173.78
Personal Dividend Income	805.00	826.60	843.30	854.04	862.85
Government Transfers	1714.35	1728.39	1756.08	1780.79	1796.86
Business Transfers (to persons)	28.00	28.10	28.10	27.82	27.65
Personal Income	11735.00	11856.60	11986.20	12082.37	12201.32
Percent Change, Annual Rate					
Gross Domestic Product	5.99	3.00	3.19	0.53	3.33
Plus:					
Receipts of Factor Income	21.94	-3.46	16.70	16.78	16.85
Less:					
Payments of Factor Income	5.99	-25.79	9.16	9.00	8.85
Equals: Gross National Product	6.88	4.35	3.67	1.06	3.88
Less:					
Consumption of Fixed Capital	1.79	2.43	1.97	-0.46	1.71
Equals: Net National Product	7.60	4.60	3.91	1.27	4.18
Indirect Business Taxes	4.16	4.16	4.62	4.12	5.24
Business Transfers	7.08	15.68	13.73	-2.23	-2.13
National Income	3.29	2.79	3.79	2.23	4.55
Corporate Profits	-4.90	-12.42	1.82	3.52	9.01
Net Interest	4.74	13.81	0.65	-1.66	0.47
Contribution for Social Insurance	4.59	3.04	8.67	1.86	2.16
Personal	4.75	3.31	9.36	1.45	0.00
Employer	4.42	2.76	7.93	2.31	4.49
Personal Interest Income	8.14	0.72	-1.32	-0.24	1.79
Personal Dividend Income	12.52	11.17	8.33	5.19	4.19
Government Transfers	6.05	3.31	6.56	5.75	3.66
Business Transfers (to persons)	2.91	1.44	0.00	-3.97	-2.34
Personal Income	5.56	4.21	4.44	3.25	4.00

GDP, National Income and Personal Income
Components of Personal Income
2007Q3 2007Q4 2008Q1 2008Q2 2008Q3

Billions of Current Dollars, SAAR

Wages and Salaries	6382.70	6442.40	6526.80	6575.33	6633.88
Commod Prod Industries	1217.50	1219.00	1224.00	1228.16	1237.49
Manufacturing	754.70	753.60	756.90	755.91	759.32
Others	462.80	465.40	467.10	472.25	478.17
Distributive Industries*	1033.30	1039.00	1048.40	1053.71	1060.27
Service Industries	3059.00	3099.70	3150.20	3181.69	3213.76
Government	1072.90	1084.70	1104.10	1111.85	1122.51
Other Labor Income	1500.00	1514.80	1538.10	1556.26	1574.86
Proprietors Income	1048.70	1055.90	1056.60	1052.37	1063.92
Farm	38.60	43.80	39.10	29.37	29.39
Business and Profess.	1010.00	1012.10	1017.50	1023.00	1034.53
Rental Income of Persons	68.40	77.80	79.30	81.41	84.94
Interest Paid by Persons	275.80	272.50	267.20	264.99	267.04
Other Interest	895.30	900.70	902.10	903.60	906.74
Transfer Payments	1742.30	1756.50	1784.20	1812.09	1829.03
Contributions for Social In	505.94	510.08	521.62	523.50	523.50
Personal Tax & Nontax P.	1489.80	1508.05	1510.32	1427.70	1540.88
Disposable Income	10245.20	10348.60	10475.90	10554.67	10660.44
Addendum:					
Domestic Final Sales	14633.6	14810.8	14920.9	14938.4	15048.4

Percent Change, Annual Rate

Wages and Salaries	4.10	3.79	5.34	3.01	3.61
Commod Prod Industries	1.63	0.49	1.65	1.37	3.07
Manufacturing	0.32	-0.58	1.76	-0.52	1.82
Others	3.80	2.27	1.47	4.49	5.11
Distributive Industries*	-0.15	2.22	3.67	2.04	2.52
Service Industries	6.59	5.43	6.68	4.06	4.09
Government	4.21	4.47	7.35	2.84	3.89
Other Labor Income	4.66	4.01	6.30	4.81	4.87
Proprietors Income	4.03	2.77	0.27	-1.59	4.46
Farm	84.94	65.79	-36.49	-68.17	0.26
Business and Profess.	1.88	0.83	2.15	2.18	4.59
Rental Income of Persons	47.18	67.38	7.94	11.10	18.46
Interest Paid by Persons	27.59	-4.70	-7.56	-3.27	3.14
Other Interest	2.91	2.43	0.62	0.67	1.40
Transfer Payments	6.00	3.30	6.46	6.40	3.79
Contribution for Social Ins	4.75	3.31	9.36	1.45	0.00
Personal Tax & Nontax P.	3.33	4.99	0.60	-20.15	35.69
Disposable Income	5.89	4.10	5.01	3.04	4.07
Addendum:					
Domestic Final Sales	4.26	4.93	3.01	0.47	2.98

*Distributive Industries are Transportation, Public Utilities excluding the U.S. Postal Service, and Wholesale and Retail Trade

MONTHLY ECONOMIC INDICATORS for PERSONAL CONSUMPTION EXPENDITURES, GOVERNMENT PURCHASES, and CONSTRUCTION INVESTMENT

	JAN08	FEB08	MAR08	APR08	MAY08	JUN08	JUL08	AUG08	SEP08
RETAIL SALES (RS), Billions of Current Dollars, SA									
RS, Total Retail Sales	342.38	340.60	341.25	340.22	343.13	345.09	346.63	348.50	350.36
RS, Durable Goods Stores	121.59	120.28	119.52	118.10	119.62	120.45	120.96	121.51	122.15
RS, Bldg Materials, Hardware	26.99	27.02	26.61	27.13	27.13	27.31	27.49	27.67	27.79
RS, Auto Dealers	75.75	74.42	74.04	71.96	73.81	74.33	74.15	74.63	75.25
RS, Furn, Home Furn & Equip	9.52	9.48	9.49	9.51	9.57	9.66	9.70	9.76	9.84
RS, Nondurable Goods Stores	215.11	214.97	216.26	217.07	217.70	218.86	219.68	220.88	221.70
RS, Food Stores	48.01	48.18	48.55	48.78	48.80	48.98	49.13	49.25	49.38
RS, Gas Service Stations	41.85	41.24	41.90	41.72	41.34	41.76	42.14	42.75	42.91
RS, Apparel and Accessories	18.91	18.75	18.89	19.02	19.12	19.22	19.32	19.42	19.52
RS, New Domestic Cars, SAA	5.07	5.02	4.94	4.92	4.86	4.78	4.63	4.50	4.39
RS, New Dom Light Trucks, SAA	6.68	6.66	6.21	5.68	5.58	5.53	5.47	5.35	5.26

RECEIPTS AND OUTLAYS OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, Billions of Current Dollars, NSA									
Federal Govt Total Outlays	244.45	270.29	200.97	239.69	251.80	232.75	248.87	245.64	221.54
Federal Govt Debt Outstanding	9160.76	9280.37	9362.87	9303.52	9351.12	9413.09	9448.89	9524.73	9569.65

HOUSING STARTS, Millions, SAAR									
Housing Starts, Total	1.0640	1.1070	0.9540	1.0320	1.0308	1.0227	1.0209	1.0320	1.0456

NEW CONSTRUCTION PUT IN PLACE, Billions of Current Dollars, SAAR									
New Const, Residential Bldgs	465.87	466.67	445.02	435.78	428.61	431.74	431.83	429.00	429.12
New Const, Nonresident Bldgs	373.24	375.31	382.34	384.41	387.58	391.29	394.64	397.01	399.84
New Const, Federal Government	20.39	20.36	19.94	20.15	20.41	20.44	20.44	20.63	20.53
New Const, State & Local Govt	272.87	274.18	276.23	277.54	278.64	279.85	280.95	282.12	283.23

Percent Change, Monthly Rate

RETAIL SALES (RS)									
RS, Total Retail Sales	0.65	-0.52	0.19	-0.30	0.86	0.57	0.45	0.54	0.53
RS, Durable Goods Stores	-0.04	-1.07	-0.64	-1.19	1.28	0.70	0.42	0.45	0.53
RS, Bldg Materials, Hardware	-0.66	0.10	-1.52	1.95	0.03	0.66	0.65	0.66	0.43
RS, Auto Dealers	0.25	-1.76	-0.51	-2.81	2.57	0.70	-0.24	0.66	0.83
RS, Furn, Home Furn & Equip	-0.86	-0.41	0.19	0.12	0.71	0.91	0.41	0.66	0.82
RS, Nondurable Goods Stores	0.87	-0.07	0.60	0.37	0.29	0.53	0.38	0.54	0.37
RS, Food Stores	0.26	0.35	0.76	0.49	0.03	0.37	0.31	0.24	0.27
RS, Gas Service Stations	3.10	-1.45	1.60	-0.44	-0.91	1.03	0.90	1.45	0.37
RS, Apparel and Accessories	2.40	-0.85	0.75	0.68	0.53	0.51	0.51	0.51	0.51
RS, New Domestic Cars, SAAR	-8.44	-0.97	-1.55	-0.40	-1.25	-1.56	-3.24	-2.80	-2.42
RS, New Dom Light Trucks, SA	-2.98	-0.36	-6.76	-8.52	-1.66	-1.06	-1.06	-2.18	-1.65

RECEIPTS AND OUTLAYS OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT									
Federal Govt Total Outlays	7.02	10.57	-25.64	19.26	5.06	-7.57	6.93	-1.30	-9.81
Federal Govt Debt Outstanding	0.12	1.31	0.89	-0.63	0.51	0.66	0.38	0.80	0.47

HOUSING STARTS									
Housing Starts, Total	6.40	4.04	-13.82	8.18	-0.12	-0.78	-0.17	1.09	1.31

NEW CONSTRUCTION PUT IN PLACE									
New Const, Residential Bldgs	-0.93	0.17	-4.64	-2.08	-1.64	0.73	0.02	-0.66	0.03
New Const, Nonresidential Bldgs	-0.14	0.55	1.87	0.54	0.82	0.96	0.85	0.60	0.71
New Const, Federal Government	4.50	-0.12	-2.05	1.05	1.29	0.16	0.00	0.91	-0.50
New Const, State & Local Govt	-0.07	0.48	0.75	0.48	0.40	0.43	0.39	0.42	0.39

MONTHLY ECONOMIC INDICATORS for GROSS PRIVATE DOMESTIC INVESTMENT and NET EXPORTS

	JAN08	FEB08	MAR08	APR08	MAY08	JUN08	JUL08	AUG08	SEP08
INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION, Index 2002=100, SA									
Industrial Production, Total	112.60	111.79	111.98	111.18	111.00	111.12	111.16	111.32	111.53
MANUFACTURERS' SHIPMENTS/INVENTORIES/ORDERS, Billions of Current Dollars, SA									
Manufacturers' New Orders	435.42	433.86	439.45	438.17	440.62	443.23	442.67	444.60	446.62
Manufacturers' Shipments	437.64	429.53	435.14	434.68	436.40	439.53	440.40	442.17	444.45
Manufacturers' Unfilled Orders	777.86	786.86	795.29	803.06	810.35	818.94	825.85	833.07	839.94
MANUFACTURED DURABLE GOODS, Billions of Current Dollars, SA									
Nondefense Capital Goods Shipmt	68.95	66.46	67.10	67.57	67.30	67.49	67.67	67.34	67.81
BUSINESS INVENTORIES, Billions of Current Dollars, SA									
Inventories, Manufacturers	537.50	540.68	545.82	549.35	552.50	555.70	558.38	560.98	563.46
Inventories, Merchant Wholesale	417.14	421.08	420.77	423.61	426.74	429.08	431.36	433.04	434.59
Inventories, Retail Traders	503.31	502.74	500.02	501.73	503.21	504.45	506.14	507.68	509.44
U.S. MERCHANDISE TRADE, Millions of Current Dollars, SA									
Exports, FAS	105532	108183	105245	107264	108920	109849	111228	111628	112308
Imports, CIF	173376	177701	171758	176449	176172	176802	177970	179548	179588
Exports, Mach and Transp Equipm	39166	41411	38365	40048	39698	39693	40031	39974	40254
Imports, Mach and Transp Equipm	60893	64683	59850	61911	62975	63186	62906	63820	64619
Percent Change, Monthly Rate									
INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION									
Industrial Production, Total	0.14	-0.72	0.18	-0.72	-0.16	0.11	0.03	0.14	0.19
MANUFACTURERS' SHIPMENTS/INVENTORIES/ORDERS									
Manufacturers' New Orders	-2.36	-0.36	1.29	-0.29	0.56	0.59	-0.12	0.44	0.45
Manufacturers' Shipments	1.06	-1.85	1.31	-0.11	0.40	0.72	0.20	0.40	0.51
Manufacturers' Unfilled Orders	0.59	1.16	1.07	0.98	0.91	1.06	0.84	0.87	0.82
MANUFACTURED DURABLE GOODS									
Nondefense Capital Goods Shipmt	1.69	-3.61	0.97	0.70	-0.41	0.29	0.26	-0.48	0.69
BUSINESS INVENTORIES									
Inventories, Manufacturers	1.29	0.59	0.95	0.65	0.57	0.58	0.48	0.47	0.44
Inventories, Merchant Wholesale	1.26	0.94	-0.07	0.67	0.74	0.55	0.53	0.39	0.36
Inventories, Retail Traders	0.42	-0.11	-0.54	0.34	0.29	0.25	0.34	0.30	0.35
U.S. MERCHANDISE TRADE									
Exports, FAS	1.46	2.51	-2.72	1.92	1.54	0.85	1.26	0.36	0.61
Imports, CIF	1.90	2.49	-3.34	2.73	-0.16	0.36	0.66	0.89	0.02
Exports, Mach and Transp Equip	-1.50	5.73	-7.35	4.39	-0.87	-0.01	0.85	-0.14	0.70
Imports, Mach and Transp Equip	1.71	6.23	-7.47	3.44	1.72	0.34	-0.44	1.45	1.25

MONTHLY ECONOMIC INDICATORS for CHAIN PRICE INDEXES

	JAN08	FEB08	MAR08	APR08	MAY08	JUN08	JUL08	AUG08	SEP08
CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (CPI), 1982-1984=100, SA									
CPI, All Urban Consumers	212.52	212.57	213.30	213.74	214.32	215.02	215.69	216.46	217.14
CPI, Durables	112.02	111.76	111.80	111.42	111.26	111.16	111.10	111.05	111.05
CPI, Furniture	123.79	123.90	125.97	124.56	124.38	124.12	123.95	123.83	124.04
CPI, Housekeeping Supplies	171.19	172.34	173.63	174.83	175.78	176.72	177.64	178.55	179.44
CPI, Nondurables	202.48	202.38	203.73	204.71	204.38	204.46	204.44	205.26	205.86
CPI, Apparel and Upkeep	119.76	119.35	117.82	118.36	118.63	118.84	119.04	119.24	119.44
CPI, Food and Beverages	208.33	209.09	209.52	211.44	212.39	213.26	214.19	215.08	216.00
CPI, Motor Oil, Fuel,	283.01	277.45	282.00	276.57	270.74	271.06	273.41	276.35	277.14
CPI, Services	251.32	251.80	252.70	253.46	254.30	255.04	255.90	256.66	257.54
CPI, New cars	135.60	135.20	135.02	134.77	134.78	134.90	135.04	135.21	135.40
PRODUCER PRICE INDEX (PPI), 1982=100, SA									
PPI, Finished Goods	173.30	173.90	175.80	176.92	177.81	178.84	179.82	181.06	182.16
PPI, Capital Equipment	150.90	151.70	151.90	152.41	152.91	153.34	153.80	154.26	154.70
PPI, Intermediate Materials	179.20	180.60	184.80	187.34	189.09	191.44	193.12	194.91	196.45
PPI, Components for Construction	194.20	195.50	197.10	198.25	199.07	199.90	200.81	201.58	202.21
PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS, Index, 1910-14=100, SA									
Index of Prices Recvd by Farmer	915.35	921.22	929.03	930.80	936.14	937.72	940.73	942.26	944.12
U.S. EXPORT/IMPORT PRICES, Index, 1995=100, SA									
U.S. Export Price Index	120.79	121.89	123.42	123.72	124.41	125.19	125.74	126.32	127.03
U.S. Import Price Index	130.25	131.29	133.44	135.30	136.13	136.59	136.91	137.18	137.43
Percent Change, Monthly Rate									
CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (CPI)									
CPI, All Urban Consumers	0.39	0.03	0.34	0.21	0.27	0.33	0.31	0.36	0.32
CPI, Durables	-0.07	-0.24	0.04	-0.34	-0.14	-0.10	-0.05	-0.05	0.01
CPI, Furniture	0.23	0.09	1.67	-1.12	-0.14	-0.21	-0.14	-0.10	0.16
CPI, Housekeeping Supplies	0.26	0.67	0.75	0.69	0.54	0.53	0.52	0.51	0.50
CPI, Nondurables	0.83	-0.05	0.67	0.48	-0.16	0.04	-0.01	0.40	0.29
CPI, Apparel and Upkeep	0.44	-0.34	-1.28	0.46	0.23	0.18	0.17	0.17	0.17
CPI, Food and Beverages	0.68	0.37	0.21	0.92	0.45	0.41	0.44	0.41	0.43
CPI, Motor Oil, Fuel	1.10	-1.97	1.64	-1.92	-2.11	0.12	0.87	1.07	0.29
CPI, Services	0.31	0.19	0.36	0.30	0.33	0.29	0.34	0.30	0.34
CPI, New Cars	-0.26	-0.30	-0.13	-0.19	0.01	0.09	0.10	0.13	0.14
PRODUCER PRICE INDEX (PPI)									
PPI, Finished Goods	0.99	0.35	1.09	0.64	0.51	0.58	0.55	0.69	0.60
PPI, Capital Equipment	0.40	0.53	0.13	0.34	0.33	0.28	0.30	0.30	0.29
PPI, Intermediate Materials	1.36	0.78	2.33	1.38	0.93	1.25	0.88	0.93	0.79
PPI, Components for Construction	0.41	0.67	0.82	0.58	0.41	0.42	0.46	0.38	0.31
PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS									
Index of Prices Recvd by Farmer	0.64	0.64	0.85	0.19	0.57	0.17	0.32	0.16	0.20
U.S. EXPORT/IMPORT PRICES									
U.S. Export Price Index	0.87	0.91	1.25	0.25	0.55	0.63	0.44	0.46	0.57
U.S. Import Price Index	1.61	0.79	1.64	1.39	0.62	0.34	0.23	0.20	0.18

MONTHLY ECONOMIC INDICATORS for PERSONAL INCOME

	JAN08	FEB08	MAR08	APR08	MAY08	JUN08	JUL08	AUG08	SEP08
EMPLOYEES (EMP) on Nonfarm Payrolls, Millions, SA									
EMP, Total	138.002	137.919	137.838	137.818	137.797	137.802	137.814	137.842	137.874
EMP, Manufacturing	13.737	13.690	13.642	13.596	13.563	13.531	13.502	13.476	13.457
EMP, Services	116.095	116.103	116.110	116.200	116.288	116.405	116.546	116.698	116.866
EMP, Wholesale and Retail Trade	21.540	21.486	21.464	21.426	21.405	21.400	21.383	21.383	21.372
EMP, Government	22.336	22.362	22.376	22.385	22.409	22.429	22.452	22.473	22.497
EMP, Federal Government	1.977	1.983	1.986	1.990	1.991	1.992	1.992	1.992	1.993
EMP, State and Local Governme	21.907	21.816	21.728	21.618	21.548	21.487	21.432	21.387	21.346
Total Unemployed, Millions	7.576	7.381	7.815	7.626	7.700	7.723	7.731	7.761	7.757

AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS (AWH) of Production Workers, SA

AWH, Total Private	33.70	33.70	33.80	33.70	33.71	33.71	33.70	33.68	33.68
AWH, Manufacturing	41.10	41.10	41.20	40.90	41.00	41.01	41.01	40.98	40.99
AWH, Services	30.20	30.10	30.10	30.10	30.07	30.08	30.05	30.04	30.04
AWH, Wholesale and Retail Trade	38.40	38.20	38.40	38.30	38.26	38.32	38.31	38.28	38.28

AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS (AHE) of Production Workers, Current Dollars, SA

AHE, Manufacturing	17.49	17.55	17.61	17.57	17.62	17.66	17.70	17.74	17.77
AHE, Services	12.80	12.84	12.87	12.90	12.92	12.93	12.95	12.97	12.99
AHE, Wholesale and Retail Trade	19.97	20.00	20.03	20.05	20.12	20.17	20.20	20.27	20.31

AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS (AWE) of Production Workers, Current Dollars

AWE, Total Private	598.18	600.20	604.01	602.56	605.01	607.26	608.53	610.35	612.15
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Percent Change, Monthly Rate

EMPLOYEES (EMP) ON NONFARM PAYROLLS

EMP, Total	-0.055	-0.060	-0.059	-0.015	-0.015	0.004	0.009	0.020	0.023
EMP, Manufacturing	-0.254	-0.342	-0.351	-0.337	-0.242	-0.234	-0.219	-0.188	-0.144
EMP, Services	-0.006	0.007	0.006	0.078	0.076	0.101	0.122	0.130	0.145
EMP, Wholesale and Retail Trade	-0.097	-0.251	-0.102	-0.177	-0.098	-0.021	-0.081	-0.001	-0.053
EMP, Government	0.013	0.116	0.063	0.040	0.106	0.091	0.102	0.094	0.103
EMP, Federal Government	0.254	0.303	0.151	0.201	0.057	0.037	-0.016	0.010	0.044
EMP, State and Local Governme	-0.314	-0.415	-0.403	-0.506	-0.322	-0.284	-0.257	-0.211	-0.192
Total Unemployed, Millions	-1.032	-2.574	5.880	-2.418	0.964	0.303	0.100	0.388	-0.042

AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS (AWH) OF PRODUCTION WORKERS

AWH, Total Private	-0.30	0.00	0.30	-0.30	0.01	0.00	-0.03	-0.03	-0.02
AWH, Manufacturing	0.00	0.00	0.24	-0.73	0.26	0.01	-0.01	-0.05	0.01
AWH, Services	0.33	-0.33	0.00	0.00	-0.11	0.04	-0.08	-0.03	-0.02
AWH, Wholesale and Retail Trade	0.26	-0.52	0.52	-0.26	-0.09	0.16	-0.04	-0.08	0.01

AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS (AHE) OF PRODUCTION WORKERS

AHE, Manufacturing	0.46	0.34	0.34	-0.23	0.29	0.24	0.20	0.21	0.22
AHE, Services	-0.08	0.31	0.23	0.23	0.13	0.12	0.16	0.12	0.16
AHE, Wholesale and Retail Trade	0.20	0.15	0.15	0.10	0.32	0.29	0.14	0.33	0.22

AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS (AWE) OF PRODUCTION WORKERS

AWE, Total Private	-0.01	0.34	0.63	-0.24	0.41	0.37	0.21	0.30	0.29
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MONTHLY FINANCIAL INDICATORS

	JAN08	FEB08	MAR08	APR08	MAY08	JUN08	JUL08	AUG08	SEP08
MONEY SUPPLY, Billions of Dollars, SA									
Money Supply (M1)	1367.0	1370.3	1372.0	1368.0	1368.9	1371.1	1372.5	1375.4	1377.7
Money Supply (M2)	7477.4	7581.8	7661.5	7677.0	7710.9	7749.5	7788.8	7838.9	7885.7
Money Supply (M3)	7477.4	7581.8	7661.5	7677.0	7710.9	7749.5	7788.8	7838.9	7885.7

INTEREST RATES (IR), Percent Per Annum

IR, Treasury Bill, 6 Month	2.84	2.10	1.51	1.58	1.61	1.51	1.48	1.46	1.41
IR, Commercial Paper, 2 month	3.41	2.75	2.32	2.06	1.96	1.91	1.89	1.87	1.87
Yields, US Govt Bond, 1 year	2.71	2.05	1.54	1.74	1.71	1.62	1.46	1.35	1.42
Yields, US Govt Bond, 10 Year	3.74	3.74	3.51	3.68	3.69	3.57	3.41	3.33	3.23

FOREIGN EXCHANGE VALUE, March 1973=100

Weighted Average Value of US\$	98.48	97.67	95.77	95.48	94.85	94.66	94.51	94.36	94.21
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STOCK MARKET

New York Stock Exchange Index	9165.1	9041.5	8776.2	9174.1	9236.4	9259.0	9276.8	9294.0	9311.2
Dividend to (Stock) Price Ratio	2.11	2.10	2.17	2.09	2.06	2.06	2.06	2.06	2.05

CONSUMER INSTALLMENT CREDIT, Millions of Dollars, SA

Consumer Credit Outstanding	2536.53	2543.07	2558.35	2571.53	2584.62	2598.07	2611.62	2624.98	2638.65
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Percent Change, Monthly Rate

MONEY SUPPLY

Money Supply, (M1)	0.05	0.24	0.12	-0.29	0.06	0.16	0.10	0.21	0.17
Money Supply, (M2)	0.67	1.40	1.05	0.20	0.44	0.50	0.51	0.64	0.60
Money Supply, (M3)	0.67	1.40	1.05	0.20	0.44	0.50	0.51	0.64	0.60

INTEREST RATES (IR), Monthly Change

IR, Treasury Bill, 6 Month	-0.50	-0.74	-0.59	0.08	0.03	-0.10	-0.02	-0.03	-0.04
IR, Commercial Paper, 6 Month	-0.83	-0.67	-0.43	-0.26	-0.09	-0.05	-0.02	-0.02	-0.00
Yields, US Govt Bond, 1 Year	-0.55	-0.66	-0.51	0.19	-0.03	-0.08	-0.16	-0.11	0.07
Yields, US Govt Bond, 10 Year	-0.35	-0.01	-0.23	0.17	0.01	-0.12	-0.16	-0.08	-0.09

FOREIGN EXCHANGE VALUE

Weighted Average Value of US\$	-0.79	-0.82	-1.95	-0.30	-0.65	-0.20	-0.16	-0.16	-0.15
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STOCK MARKET

New York Stock Exchange Index	-6.55	-1.35	-2.93	4.53	0.68	0.24	0.19	0.19	0.18
Dividend to (Stock) Price Ratio	9.33	-0.47	3.33	-3.69	-1.34	0.02	0.12	-0.33	-0.32

CONSUMER INSTALLMENT CREDIT

Consumer Credit Outstanding	0.48	0.26	0.60	0.51	0.51	0.52	0.52	0.51	0.52
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