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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

- Inflation pressures, associated specifically with high energy and food prices, heighten expectations that the Federal Reserve will shift policy options somewhat in favor of restraining tendencies for prices to rise, and partially away from weaker activity levels, measured by GDP and unemployment.
- The PPI rose by 1.4% in May. Even though the core rate rose by only 0.2%, the Open Market Committee will show serious concern about the high overall rate, which is far too large for FED governors.
- Industrial production for May dropped by 0.2%. This was much smaller than the decline in April, but it could have been much worse.
- Housing starts for May were under 1.0 million, and the residential real estate market has yet to show significant signs of recovery.
- The Conference Board's index of leading economic indicators rose by 0.1% in May, duplicating the April reading. The coincident index also rose by 0.1%, while the lagging index gained by 0.2%.
- Two important industry indexes reported falling activity. Both the Empire State index for the New York area and the Philadelphia FED index for the Eastern Pennsylvania and other Atlantic areas fell in June by significant amounts.
- Initial claims for unemployment insurance in the week ending June 14 fell by 5,000. The previous week's figure was, however, revised upward by 2,000.

FORECAST UPDATE OVERVIEW

This forecast incorporates the following National Income and Product Accounts:

- MAY 29 GDP (based on Chain 2000 Weights) for 2008Q1: 0.9%
- MAY 30 Personal Income and Consumption for April: 0.2%, 0.2%

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

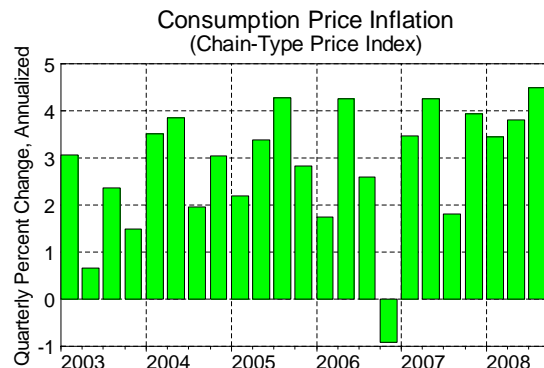
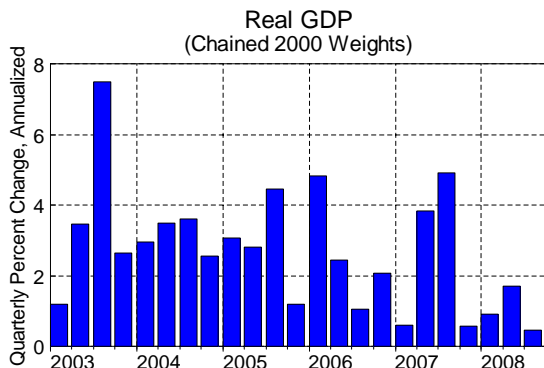
Date	Economic Indicator	for	Latest	Prior Month
Jun 02	Construction Spending	April	-0.4%	-0.6%
Jun 06	Nonfarm Payroll Employment	May	-49,000	-28,000
Jun 03	Auto Sales	May	14.3 Million	14.4 Million
Jun 06	Consumer Credit Outstanding	April	\$8.9 Billion	\$13.1 Billion
Jun 12	Export/Import Price Index	May	0.3%, 2.3%	0.5%, 2.4%
Jun 17	Producer Price Index, Total & Core	May	1.4%, 0.2%	0.2%, 0.4%
Jun 12	Retail Sales, Total & Ex-Auto	May	1.0%, 1.2%	0.4%, 1.0%
Jun 17	Industrial Production	May	-0.2%	-0.7%
Jun 12	Business Inventories	April	0.5%	0.2%
Jun 13	Consumer Price Index, Total & Core	May	0.6%, 0.2%	0.2%, 0.1%
Jun 17	Housing Starts	May	975,000	1,008,000
Jun 10	Trade Balance	May	-\$60.9 Billion	-\$56.5 Billion
May 29	Durable Goods Orders & Shipments	April	-0.6%, 1.6%	-0.2%, -0.9%
Jun 03	Manuf Ships, Inv, & Orders	April	2.2%, 0.0%, 1.1%	1.1%, 0.9%, 1.5%

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		
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			
May 20		0.99	-0.38	1.59		3.63	3.16	3.80			
Jun 02		0.90	0.95	-0.51	*	3.46	4.11	3.29		<=2 nd	08Q1
Jun 09		0.95	1.65	0.60	*	3.52	3.16	3.80			
Jun 16		0.95	1.72	0.46	*	3.52	3.80	4.50			
Jun 23		0.95	1.46	0.12	*	3.56	3.80	4.50			

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

*** See pages 9 and 10 for the assumption of effect of stimulus rebate checks on our CQM forecast.**

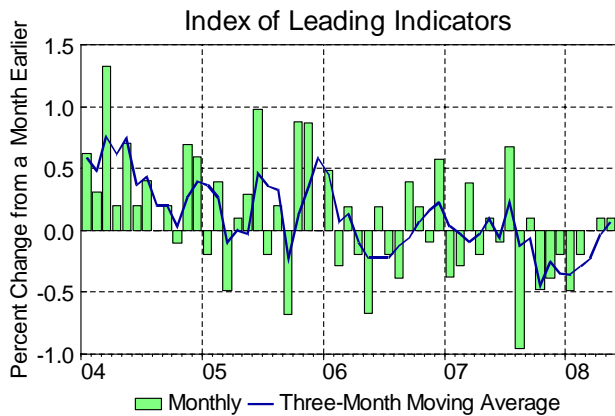


High Frequency Indicators

The Week in Review (June 16 - 20)

Index of Leading Indicators

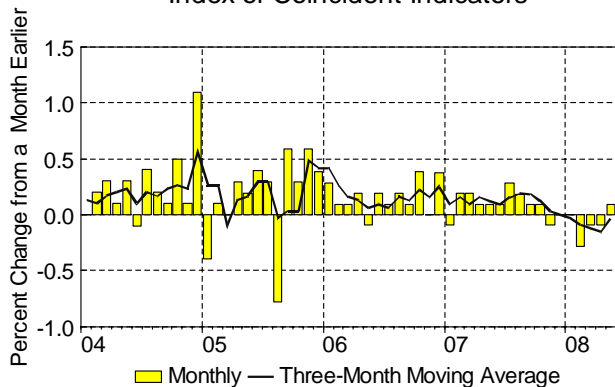
In May, the Index of Leading Indicators inched up 0.1%, the same rate of increase as in April.



Among the ten components of the index, four were higher in May than in April. The biggest positive contributors include interest rate spread and stock market gains.

The Index of Coincident Indicators also inched up 0.1% in May, the first monthly increase in seven months. In both March and April, the Index fell 0.1%. Meanwhile, the Index of Lagging Indicators rose 0.2% in May.

Index of Coincident Indicators



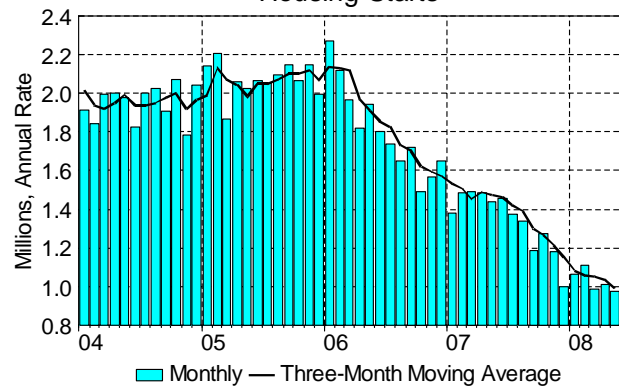
Housing Starts

In June, housing starts fell 3.3% to 975,000 (annual rate), the weakest since March 1991.

Starts of single-family homes fell 1.0% to 674,000 (annual rate), also the weakest since 1991. Starts of multi-family homes were down 8% in May.

By region, housing starts plummeted 61.5% in the Northwest, down 25% in the Midwest, 10.3% in the West and 4.4% in the South.

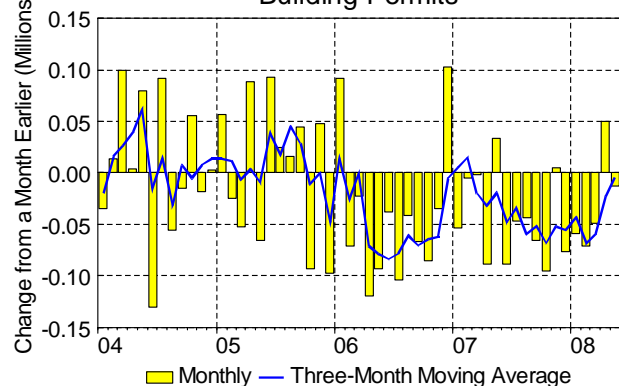
Housing Starts



In May, building permits fell 1.3% to 969,000 (annual rate). Building permits for single-family homes were down 4% to 623,000.

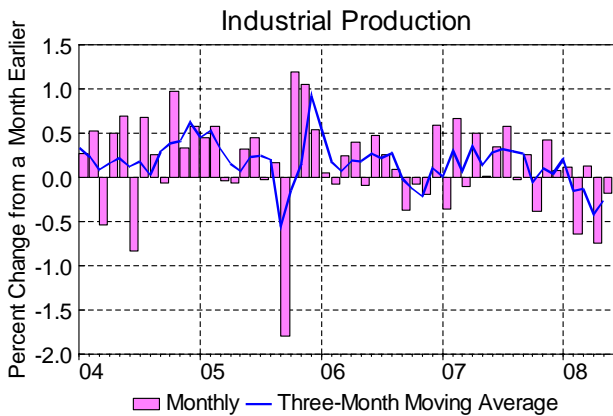
Compared to a year ago, housing starts fell 32.1%. Starts of single-family homes plunged 41.2% from May 2007.

Building Permits

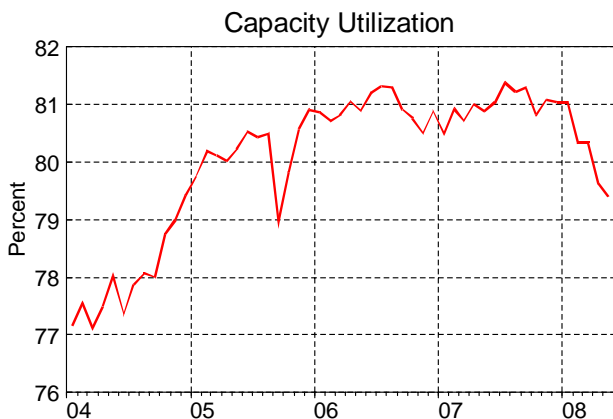


Industrial Production

Industrial production fell 0.2% in May, following a 0.7% decline in April. In the past four months, industrial production has been shrinking for three months. In the manufacturing sector, output was unchanged in May, following a 0.9% decline in April. Production of consumer goods fell 0.2%, including a 0.4% decline in output in consumer nondurable goods. Output of motor vehicles inched up marginally in May, following the end of a strike of GM workers. Output of business equipment was unchanged in May as well, after a 0.7% decline in April. Production of non-industrial supplies fell 0.2%, offsetting a 1.4% increase in production of semiconductors and a 0.7% increase in computer equipment production. In the utility sector, output fell 1.8%. In contrast, mining output inched up 0.1% in May.

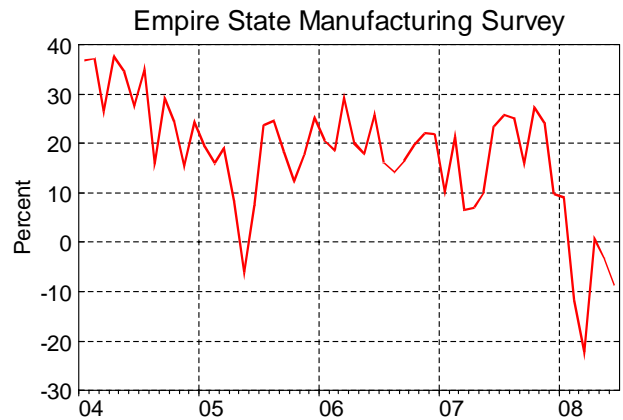


The capacity utilization rate fell two-tenths to 79.4, the weakest since November 2004. Compared to a year ago, industrial production fell 0.1%.



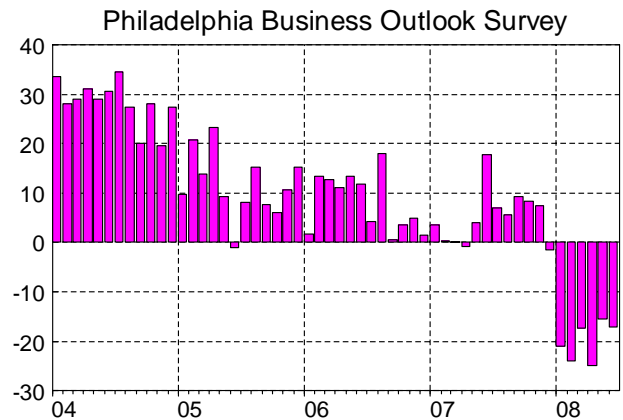
Empire State Index

In June, the Empire State Index fell to -8.7, from -3.2 in May. The index has remained negative in four of the past five months. New orders fell from +0.5 in May to -5.5 in June. Shipments also dropped from +4.6 to -6.5. Unfilled orders were down from -4.4 to -10.5. Prices paid eased, from a record high of 69.6 in May to 66.3 in June. Prices received rose from 15.2 to 26.7.



Philadelphia Fed Survey

In June, the Philadelphia Fed Index fell to -17.1, from -15.6 in May. This marked the seventh consecutive month that the index remained in negative territory.



Prices paid surged to 69.3, up more than 15 index points from the reading in May. The latest reading was also the highest since 1980, echoing inflation concerns. Prices received, however, inched down to 29.7, from 31.6 in May. Employment remained negative for the second straight month. From -1.0 in May, the index was down to -6.9 in June.

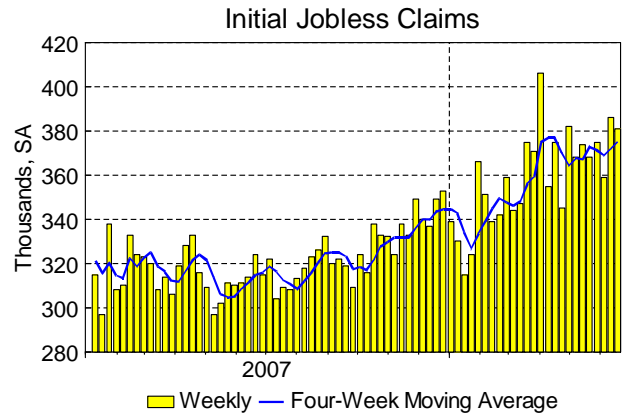
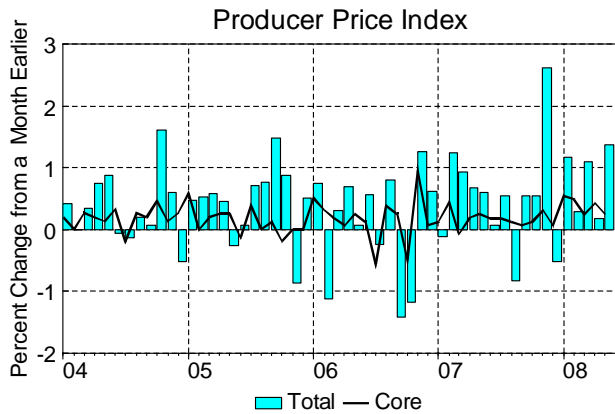
New orders fell to -12.4 in June, from -3.7 in May. Shipments fell to -6.7 in June, from 2.2 in May.

Producer Price Index

In May, the producer price index jumped 1.4%, following a 0.2% increase in April. The May increase was mainly due to energy prices, which jumped 4.9% in the month. Gasoline prices surged 9.3%.

Initial Jobless Claims

For the week ending June 14, initial jobless claims fell by 5,000 to 381,000, after rising to a two-month high in the previous week. The prior week's initial claims figure was revised up by 2,000. The four-week moving average of claims, however, rose to 375,250. The number of insured unemployed fell by 76,000 to 3.06 million, for the week ending June 7. The insured unemployment rate inched down to 2.3%.

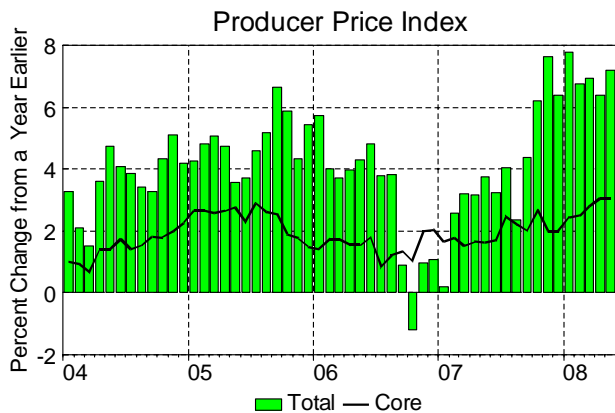


Food prices rose 0.8%. Pork prices jumped 8%, the highest in many years. Prices of fresh fruit were up 5.9%.

Excluding food and energy, the core PPI was up 0.2% in May, after a 0.4% increase in April.

Prices of crude goods went up 6.7%. Prices of intermediate goods increased 2.9%.

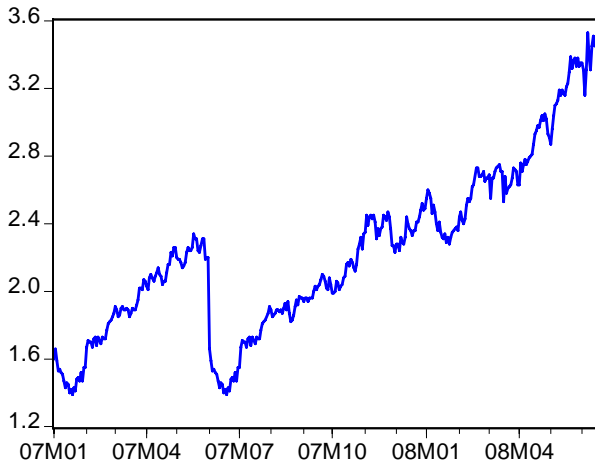
Compared to a year ago, the PPI was up 7.2%, and the core PPI increased 3%.



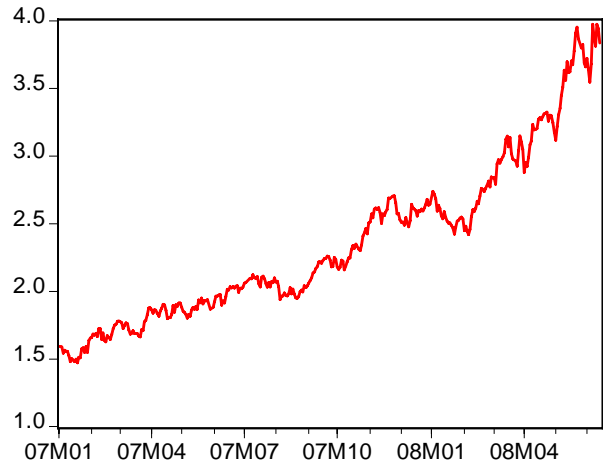
Energy Prices

Energy prices have been see-sawing their way this week. By Friday’s market close, crude oil prices for July delivery traded at \$134.62 per barrel, down marginally from \$134.86 a barrel a week ago. After seeing oil prices touching their record highs at almost \$140, market movers believed that prices should ease before rising further. At the same time, a weak US dollar continued to put upward pressure on oil prices. Heightened political tension between Israel and Iran also did not bode well for oil prices.

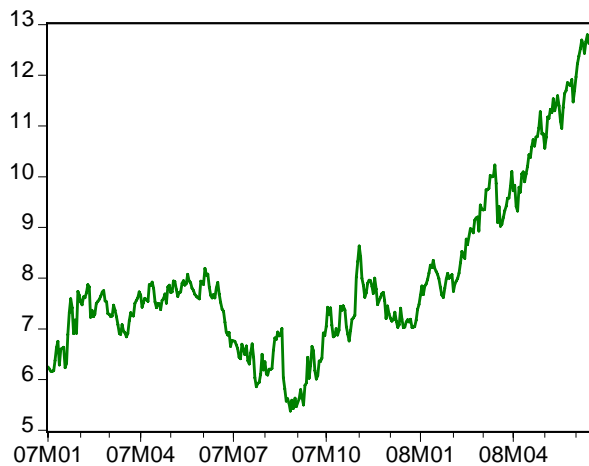
Prices of other commodities also fell earlier in the week, but rebounded by the later half of the week. Prices of heating oil closed Friday at \$3.80 a gallon, down 4 cents. Prices of gasoline inched down 2 cents to \$3.44 a gallon. Finally, prices of natural gas traded at \$13.11 per mmbtu by the week’s close, compared to \$12.63 per mmbtu a week ago.



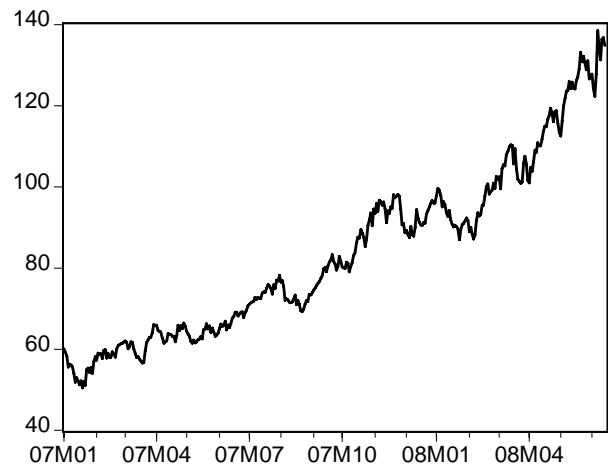
— Gasoline Futures Price, \$/Gallon



— Heating Oil Futures Price, \$/Gallon



— Natural Gas Futures Price, \$/MMBTU



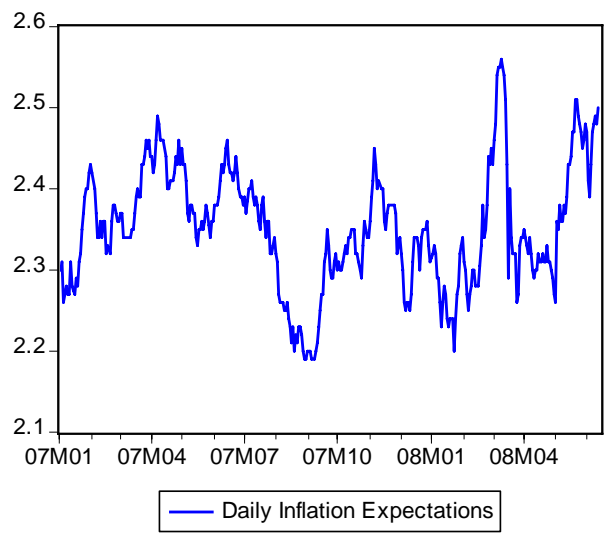
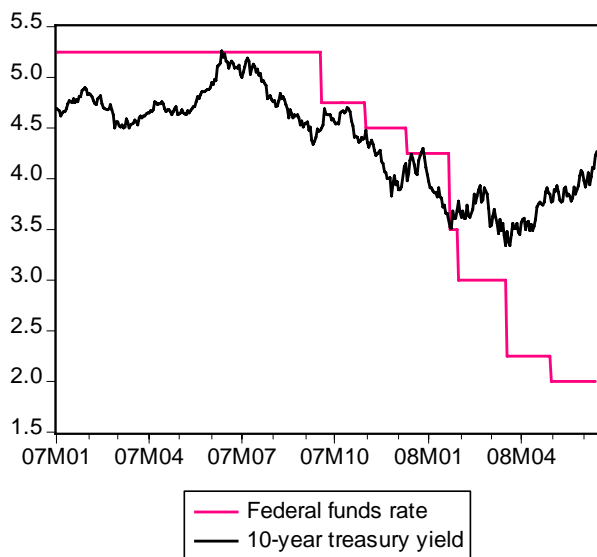
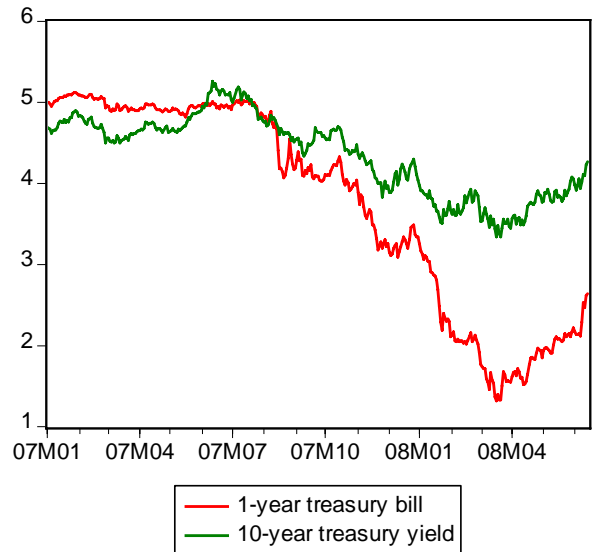
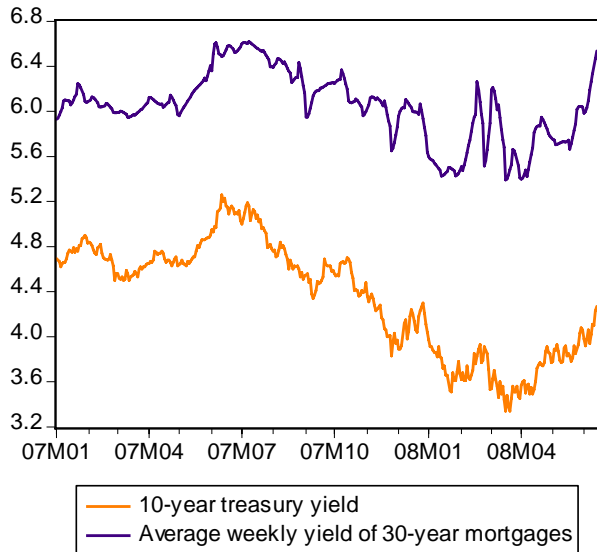
— Crude Oil (WTI) Futures Price, \$/Barrel

Interest Rates

Market movers continued to worry about the impact of rising inflationary pressure on the economy. Fed watchers, meanwhile, monitored closely for clues what the FED's Open Market Committee might do in the upcoming meeting. After rising sharply (64 basis points) to 3.02% in the previous week, the two-year treasury yield closed this week slightly lower, at 2.89%. Market movers speculated that interest rates could likely rise more in the near term due to the upward inflation risks.

The ten-year treasury yield closed Friday at 4.17%, down 9 basis points from a week ago.

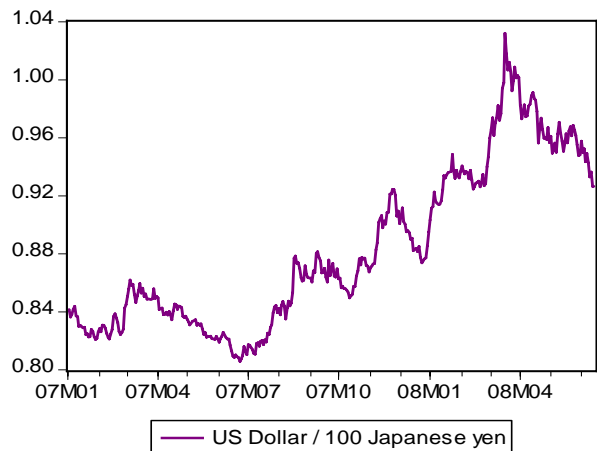
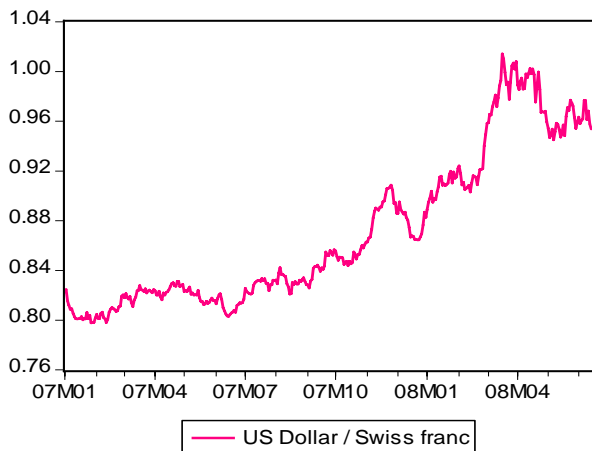
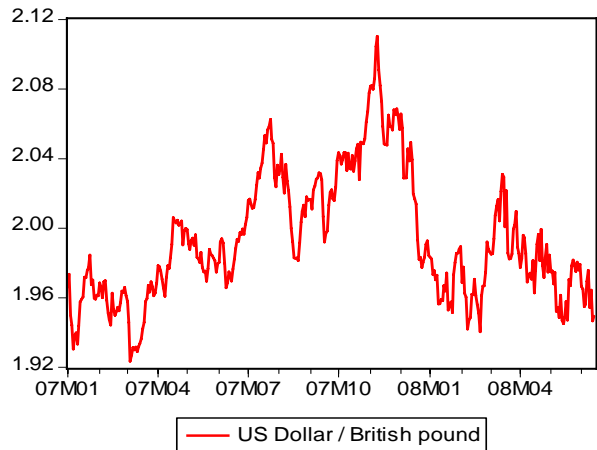
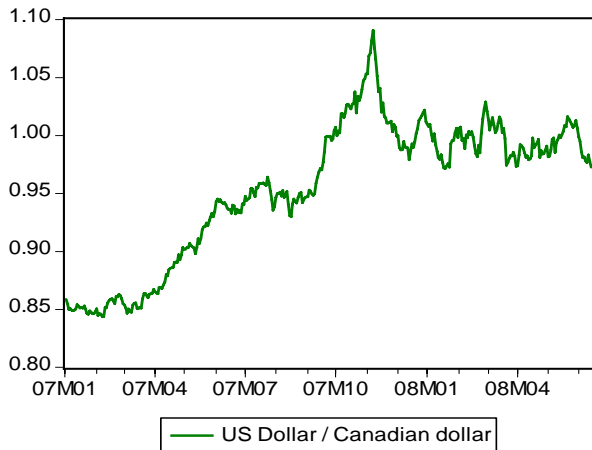
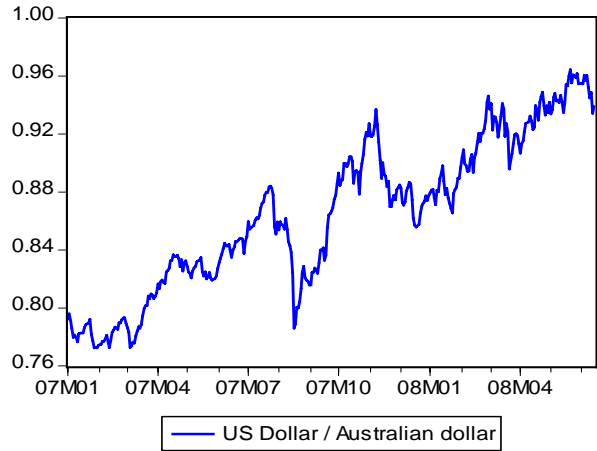
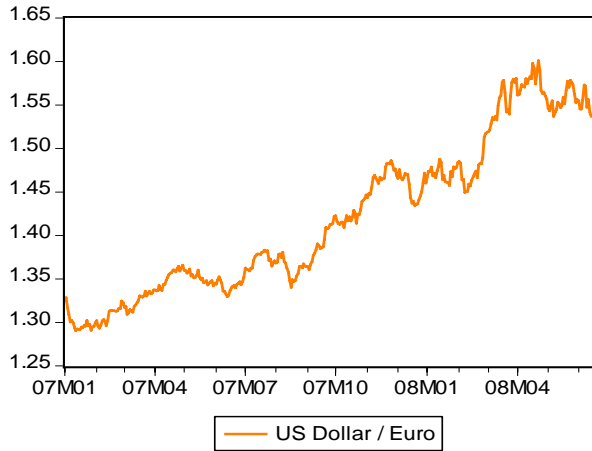
The upward pressure on daily inflation expectations (yield on unprotected minus yield on protected 10-year bonds) fell marginally. They currently stand at 2.47%, down 6 basis points from a week ago. FED officials indicate that they are increasingly concerned about inflation.



Currency Markets

After gaining strongly in the past week, the US dollar, once again, lost its strength in recent trading. Losses at Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac re-ignited credit risk concerns in the US market. Uncertainty on the Fed's actions also put some downward pressure on the US dollar. From US\$1.5381 per euro, the US dollar fell to US\$1.5606 per euro, marking the biggest weekly loss for the US dollar since March. Similarly, the US dollar lost 0.7% against the Japanese yen, ending the week at 107.33 yen per US dollar.

The US dollar traded at US\$1.976 per British pound, down from US\$1.9476 per British pound a week ago. The US dollar also fell against the Canadian dollar, from 97 US cents per Canadian dollar to 98 US cents.



The Week in Preview (June 23 - 27)

Date	Economic Indicator	For	Market Consensus	Prior Month
Jun 24	Consumer Confidence Index	June	57.0	57.2
Jun 25	Durable Goods Orders	May	0.0%	-0.5%
Jun 25	New Home Sales	May	510,000	526,000
Jun 26	Gross Domestic Product, final	Q1	1.0%	0.9%
Jun 26	GDP Deflator, final	Q1	2.6%	2.6%
Jun 27	Existing Home Sales	May	4.96 million	4.89 million
Jun 27	Consumer spending	May	0.7%	0.2%
Jun 27	Personal Income	May	0.4%	0.2%
Jun 27	Core PCE Price Index	May	0.2%	0.1%

Current Quarter Forecasts

In the second quarter, our forecast for real GDP is expected to increase 1.5% (SAAR), to be followed by a 0.1% increase in the third quarter of 2008.

The GDP deflator is projected to increase 3.3% in the second quarter (SAAR), and 3.4% in the third quarter of 2008.

Nominal GDP is forecasted to total US\$14.4 trillion in the second quarter, to be followed by US\$14.5 trillion in the third quarter of 2008. This amounts to 4.8% (SAAR) expansion in the second quarter and 3.5% increase in the third quarter of 2008.

CQM Forecast Assumption

On their website, the BEA noted that “rebates to individuals are expected to total \$106.7 billion for 2008”, with the majority sent between end-April and mid-July. These rebates will be “recorded as either an offset to personal current taxes or as a social benefit payment to persons”.

In our latest forecast, we have incorporated the rebates on the income side of our forecast, and assume a 0.9 marginal propensity to consume (MPC) on the expenditure side.

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, May 12th-26th, and Jun 9th-23rd.

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Note to Readers of the US Forecast

There is little doubt that the US economy slowed considerably in 2007. The latest quarterly estimates since 2004 are:

Year	2004			2005				2006				2007				2008
Quarter	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV	I
% Change	3.5	3.6	2.5	3.1	2.8	4.5	1.2	4.8	2.4	1.1	2.1	0.6	3.8	4.9	0.6	0.9

We prefer to judge by the numbers rather than by subjective opinions; therefore the numbers for 2008 Q2 are of significant importance, and will remain so for the remainder of 2008, if not longer. Interpretation of the fiscal stimulus and other policy measures must be watched with great care, especially since the US economy's activity path has worldwide effects. The fiscal stimulus, in particular, began on April 28th. This policy action is not built into our high-frequency model; so we must make some judgments in our forecasts, week-by-week.

In current prices (nominal values), the first quarter average propensity to consume is

$$\frac{C_1^{08}}{Y_1^{08}} = \frac{10046.2}{10502.3} = 0.95657$$

The statistical discrepancy, which we follow regularly, between the production (supply) side estimate of GDP and the expenditure (demand) side estimate is as large as \$132.9 billion in the first quarter of 2008 and was significantly negative in the first 2 quarters of 2007. In terms of the size of the fiscal stimulus, this discrepancy is very large and important in judging where the US economy stands.

In constant prices based on chained index values on a base of 2000, the average propensity to consume was estimated as

$$\frac{C_1^{08}}{Y_1^{08}} = \frac{8369.7}{8749.7} = 0.95657, \text{ the same value as in current prices.}$$

In order to judge the effect of the fiscal stimulus, we shall spread the total amount, to be distributed, \$106.7 billion, through mid July 2008, using a conservative average propensity to consume of 0.9. That is why our present forecast for real GDP growth in 2008 Q2 is now set at +1.46%.

There is a fractional positive percentage change estimated for Q3, but we shall have to get more information about the success of the stimulus for Q3, during the coming weeks. We shall also have to monitor the well-known J-curve effects for the trade balance in the months ahead. For the past 4 quarters, the real balance has steadily decreased, thereby contributing to higher quarterly GDP estimates.

Followers of our forecast must be wary of journalistic interpretations of the stimulus that attach great importance of its effect, only if it goes immediately into retail sales. If the checks are not hoarded but placed in the economy, outside retail spending, they still will be effective if they enter elsewhere into the stream of economy activity.

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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	137.831	137.803	137.754	137.749	137.917	137.769
+ Difference	-0.076	-0.083	-0.088	-0.028	-0.049	-0.005	-0.113	-0.149
% Change, Annual Rate	-0.7	-0.7	-0.8	-0.2	-0.4	-0.0	-0.3	-0.4
% 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	342.37	343.44	347.02	364.40	341.78	346.29
% Change	0.6	-0.5	0.5	0.3	1.0	5.0		
% Change, Annual Rate	8.1	-6.1	6.4	3.8	13.2	79.8	0.7	5.4
% Change, Year Ago	3.9	2.5	2.2	2.8	2.2	8.7	2.9	2.9
PRICES								
PPI, Finished Goods (1982=100)	173.4	173.9	175.8	176.1	178.5	179.6	174.4	178.1
% Change	1.2	0.3	1.1	0.2	1.4	0.6		
% Change, Annual Rate	14.9	3.5	13.9	2.1	17.6	7.7	9.3	8.8
% Change, Year Ago	7.8	6.8	6.9	6.4	7.2	7.8	7.1	7.1
CPI, All-Urban (1982-84=100)	212.5	212.6	213.3	213.7	215.1	216.1	212.8	215.0
% Change	0.4	0.0	0.3	0.2	0.6	0.4		
% Change, Annual Rate	4.8	0.3	4.2	2.5	8.1	5.5	4.3	4.2
% Change, Year Ago	4.4	4.1	4.0	3.9	4.1	4.3	4.2	4.1
Housing Starts (Mil)	1.064	1.107	0.988	1.008	0.975	0.984	1.053	0.989
% Change	6.4	4.0	-10.7	2.0	-3.3	0.9		
% Change, Annual Rate	110.5	60.9	-74.5	27.2	-32.9	11.7	-30.0	-22.2
% Change, Year Ago	-23.0	-25.5	-33.8	-32.2	-32.1	-32.5	-27.5	-32.3
Industrial Production Index (2002=	112.52	111.79	111.94	111.10	110.91	111.01	112.08	111.01
% Change	0.1	-0.6	0.1	-0.7	-0.2	0.1		
% Change, Annual Rate	1.4	-7.5	1.6	-8.6	-2.1	1.1	-0.3	-3.8
% Change, Year Ago	2.5	1.2	1.4	0.1	-0.1	-0.3	1.7	-0.1
New Orders for Manufactured Goods	435.42	433.86	440.22	445.23	445.92	449.21	436.50	446.79
% Change	-2.4	-0.4	1.5	1.1	0.2	0.7		
% Change, Annual Rate	-24.9	-4.2	19.1	14.6	1.9	9.2	-1.4	9.8
% Change, Year Ago	7.3	5.1	4.2	3.8	4.4	5.1	5.5	4.4
Nondefense Capital Goods Shipments	68.95	66.46	66.68	67.40	67.09	67.18	67.36	67.22
% Change	1.7	-3.6	0.3	1.1	-0.5	0.1		
% Change, Annual Rate	22.3	-35.7	4.1	13.7	-5.3	1.6	-0.1	-0.8
% Change, Year Ago	7.7	2.0	1.8	2.2	0.8	1.3	5.5	4.4
Sales of Domestic Passenger Cars (5.07	5.02	4.94	4.89	5.33	5.26	5.01	5.16
% Change	-8.4	-1.0	-1.6	-1.1	9.0	-1.2		
% Change, Annual Rate	-65.3	-11.0	-17.1	-12.8	181.4	-13.6	-27.9	12.3
% Change, Year Ago	-3.2	-1.0	-3.1	-2.6	-3.5	0.3	-2.4	-2.0
Business Inventories (Bil\$)	1457.95	1464.50	1467.46	1474.82	1482.79	1488.97	1463.30	1482.19
% Change	1.0	0.4	0.2	0.5	0.5	0.4		
% Change, Year Ago	4.7	4.9	5.2	5.4	5.5	5.6	4.9	5.5
+ Difference, Annual Rate	169.4	78.5	35.6	88.3	95.6	74.2	106.2	75.6
EXTERNAL SECTOR								
Merchandise Trade Balance, Census	-68.56	-69.92	-66.31	-70.57	-68.52	-67.87	-819.13	-827.87
+ Difference	-0.9	-1.4	3.6	-4.3	2.1	0.6		
+ Difference, Annual Rate	-11.0	-16.3	43.3	-51.2	24.6	7.8	-6.86	-8.74
+ Difference, year ago	-4.1	-5.0	1.6	-4.3	-2.4	-0.9		

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	11701.9	11745.6	11772.1
% Previous Q, A.R.	4.91	0.58	0.90	1.50	0.90
% Year before	2.84	2.46	2.53	1.96	0.97
(ii) Income Side GDP	11658.9	11675.7	11701.9	11757.7	11703.3
% Previous Q, A.R.	4.91	0.58	0.90	1.92	-1.84
% Year before	2.84	2.46	2.53	2.06	0.38
(iii) Principal Components est. GDP	11658.9	11675.7	11701.9	11729.5	11768.2
% Previous Q, A.R.	4.91	0.58	0.90	0.95	1.32
% Year before	2.84	2.46	2.53	1.82	0.94
Average Real GDP	11658.9	11675.7	11701.9	11744.3	11747.9
% Previous Q, A.R.	4.91	0.58	0.90	1.46	0.12
% Year before	2.84	2.46	2.53	1.95	0.76
GDP Deflator (2000=100)					
(i) Expenditure Side PGDP	119.8	120.6	121.3	122.3	123.4
% Previous Q, A.R.	1.04	2.44	2.59	3.38	3.51
% Year before	2.40	2.58	2.18	2.36	2.98
(ii) Income Side PGDP: Same as (i)	119.8	120.6	121.3	122.3	123.4
% Previous Q, A.R.	1.04	2.44	2.59	3.38	3.51
% Year before	2.40	2.58	2.18	2.36	2.98
(iii) Principal Components est. PGDP	119.8	120.6	121.3	122.2	123.2
% Previous Q, A.R.	1.04	2.44	2.59	2.98	3.20
% Year before	2.40	2.58	2.18	2.26	2.80
Average GDP Deflator	119.8	120.6	121.3	122.3	123.3
% Previous Q, A.R.	1.04	2.44	2.59	3.25	3.41
% Year before	2.40	2.58	2.18	2.33	2.92
Nominal GDP					
(i) Expenditure Side GDP\$	13970.5	14074.2	14195.6	14370.3	14527.6
% Previous Q, A.R.	5.99	3.00	3.50	5.02	4.45
% Year before	5.30	5.09	4.75	4.37	3.99
(ii) Income Side GDP\$	13970.5	14074.2	14195.6	14385.1	14442.8
% Previous Q, A.R.	5.99	3.00	3.50	5.45	1.61
% Year before	5.30	5.09	4.75	4.48	3.38
(iii) Principal Components est. GDP\$	13970.5	14074.2	14195.6	14336.7	14497.6
% Previous Q, A.R.	5.99	3.00	3.50	4.04	4.57
% Year before	5.30	5.09	4.75	4.12	3.77
Average Nominal GDP	13970.5	14074.2	14195.6	14364.1	14489.4
% Previous Q, A.R.	5.99	3.00	3.50	4.83	3.54
% Year before	5.30	5.09	4.75	4.32	3.71

EXPENDITURE SIDE

Real Gross Domestic Product

2007Q3 2007Q4 2008Q1 2008Q2 2008Q3

Billions of Chained (2000) Dollars, SAAR

Gross Domestic Product	11658.90	11675.70	11701.90	11745.58	11772.05
Total Demand	13633.20	13643.00	13656.20	13704.91	13730.64
Domestic Demand	12188.30	12175.50	12178.20	12204.06	12194.47
Domestic Final Demand	12155.60	12194.60	12191.30	12215.82	12205.52
Final Demand	11626.40	11695.20	11715.30	11753.73	11777.81
Personal Consumption Expenditures	8302.20	8349.10	8369.70	8415.90	8408.65
Durable Goods	1241.90	1248.10	1228.20	1226.85	1235.78
Nondurable Goods	2396.80	2404.20	2402.20	2405.96	2393.85
Services	4689.50	4722.40	4757.40	4800.77	4802.13
Gross Private Domestic Investment	1859.90	1787.70	1757.90	1732.96	1729.54
Fixed Investment	1826.00	1807.50	1771.20	1744.68	1740.58
Nonresidential	1387.30	1407.80	1406.90	1408.07	1415.10
Equipment and Software	1073.50	1081.70	1079.30	1082.67	1094.70
Structures	311.10	320.30	321.20	320.06	318.12
Residential	463.30	430.90	400.30	376.90	368.27
Change In Business Inventories	30.60	-18.30	-14.40	-11.76	-11.05
Farm	4.10	2.20	-0.90	-1.35	-0.53
Nonfarm	26.00	-21.70	-13.60	-10.41	-10.52
Net Exports	-533.10	-503.20	-480.20	-462.13	-427.65
Exports	1441.20	1464.10	1474.10	1500.88	1536.23
Imports	1974.30	1967.30	1954.30	1963.01	1963.88
Government Purchases	2033.60	2043.40	2053.30	2055.29	2056.30
Federal	764.00	765.00	773.20	776.50	777.17
State and Local	1269.60	1278.30	1280.20	1278.79	1279.15

Percent Change, Annual Rate

Gross Domestic Product	4.91	0.58	0.90	1.50	0.90
Total Demand	4.83	0.29	0.39	1.43	0.75
Domestic Demand	3.33	-0.42	0.09	0.85	-0.31
Domestic Final Demand	2.48	1.29	-0.11	0.81	-0.34
Final Demand	4.01	2.39	0.69	1.32	0.82
Personal Consumption Expenditures	2.84	2.28	0.99	2.23	-0.34
Durable Goods	4.47	2.01	-6.23	-0.44	2.95
Nondurable Goods	2.20	1.24	-0.33	0.63	-2.00
Services	2.85	2.84	3.00	3.70	0.11
Gross Private Domestic Investment					
Fixed Investment	-0.72	-3.99	-7.79	-5.86	-0.94
Nonresidential	9.36	6.04	-0.26	0.33	2.01
Equipment and Software	6.23	3.09	-0.88	1.25	4.52
Structures	16.42	12.36	1.13	-1.41	-2.41
Residential	-20.53	-25.17	-25.52	-21.41	-8.85
Exports	19.13	6.51	2.76	7.47	9.76
Imports	4.35	-1.41	-2.62	1.80	0.18
Government Purchases	3.78	1.94	1.95	0.39	0.20
Federal	7.11	0.52	4.36	1.72	0.35
State and Local	1.95	2.77	0.60	-0.44	0.11

EXPENDITURE SIDE

Nominal Gross Domestic Product

	2007Q3	2007Q4	2008Q1	2008Q2	2008Q3
Billions of Dollars, SAAR					
Gross Domestic Product	13970.50	14074.20	14195.60	14370.33	14527.64
Total Demand	16350.90	16520.80	16698.50	16944.10	17162.15
Domestic Demand	14665.10	14783.10	14912.20	15100.83	15259.10
Domestic Final Demand	14629.70	14810.50	14935.50	15115.22	15272.74
Final Demand	13935.00	14101.60	14218.80	14384.72	14541.28
Personal Consumption Expenditures	9785.70	9936.60	10046.20	10196.68	10300.66
Durable Goods	1081.60	1082.50	1064.70	1061.10	1068.15
Nondurable Goods	2846.30	2904.50	2948.80	2986.66	3018.58
Services	5857.80	5949.70	6032.70	6148.92	6213.92
Gross Private Domestic Investment	2162.90	2082.10	2041.30	2035.01	2048.76
Fixed Investment	2127.50	2109.50	2064.50	2049.40	2062.39
Nonresidential	1500.10	1526.50	1526.20	1536.54	1555.29
Equipment and Software	1017.10	1025.30	1021.10	1027.98	1042.97
Structures	483.10	501.30	505.10	508.56	512.32
Residential	627.30	582.90	538.40	512.85	507.11
Change In Business Inventories	35.40	-27.40	-23.30	-14.39	-13.64
Farm	3.80	0.30	-3.70	-1.65	-0.65
Nonfarm	31.60	-27.70	-19.60	-12.74	-12.99
Net Exports	-694.70	-708.90	-716.60	-730.50	-731.46
Exports	1685.70	1737.70	1786.30	1843.27	1903.04
Imports	2380.40	2446.60	2502.90	2573.77	2634.51
Government Purchases	2716.50	2764.40	2824.70	2869.14	2909.69
Federal	990.30	997.70	1023.40	1036.39	1049.83
State and Local	1726.20	1766.70	1801.30	1832.75	1859.86

Percent Change, Annual Rate

Gross Domestic Product	5.99	3.00	3.50	5.02	4.45
Total Demand	6.87	4.22	4.37	6.01	5.25
Domestic Demand	5.12	3.26	3.54	5.16	4.26
Domestic Final Demand	4.26	5.04	3.42	4.90	4.23
Final Demand	5.08	4.87	3.37	4.75	4.42
Personal Consumption Expenditures	4.70	6.31	4.49	6.13	4.14
Durable Goods	2.59	0.33	-6.42	-1.35	2.69
Nondurable Goods	3.39	8.43	6.24	5.23	4.35
Services	5.75	6.42	5.70	7.93	4.30
Gross Private Domestic Investment	4.53	-14.13	-7.61	-1.23	2.73
Fixed Investment	-1.19	-3.34	-8.26	-2.89	2.56
Nonresidential	8.71	7.23	-0.08	2.74	4.97
Equipment and Software	5.11	3.26	-1.63	2.72	5.96
Structures	17.01	15.94	3.07	2.77	2.99
Residential	-20.72	-25.45	-27.21	-17.67	-4.41
Exports	23.61	12.92	11.67	13.38	13.62
Imports	12.19	11.60	9.53	11.82	9.78
Government Purchases	7.15	7.24	9.01	6.44	5.77
Federal	8.86	3.02	10.71	5.18	5.29
State and Local	6.18	9.72	8.07	7.17	6.05

EXPENDITURE SIDE

Gross Domestic Product Chain-Type Price Index

	2007Q3	2007Q4	2008Q1	2008Q2	2008Q3
Index 2000=100					
Gross Domestic Product	119.84	120.56	121.33	122.35	123.41
Total Demand	119.93	121.09	122.28	123.64	124.99
Domestic Demand	120.33	121.43	122.47	123.74	125.13
Domestic Final Demand	120.36	121.45	122.51	123.74	125.13
Final Demand	119.86	120.58	121.37	122.38	123.47
Personal Consumption Expenditures	117.87	119.02	120.04	121.16	122.50
Durable Goods	87.09	86.73	86.68	86.49	86.44
Nondurable Goods	118.75	120.81	122.75	124.14	126.10
Services	124.92	126.00	126.81	128.08	129.40
Gross Private Domestic Investment	116.33	116.55	116.25	117.42	118.46
Fixed Investment	116.50	116.70	116.55	117.47	118.49
Nonresidential	108.14	108.44	108.48	109.12	109.91
Equipment and Software	94.75	94.78	94.61	94.95	95.27
Structures	155.39	156.61	157.37	158.89	161.05
Residential	135.37	135.24	134.45	136.07	137.70
Exports	116.99	118.70	121.20	122.81	123.88
Imports	120.57	124.36	128.07	131.11	134.15
Government Purchases	133.59	135.29	137.58	139.60	141.51
Federal	129.62	130.42	132.36	133.47	135.08
State and Local	135.97	138.21	140.71	143.32	145.40

Percent Change, Annual Rate

Gross Domestic Product	1.04	2.44	2.59	3.38	3.51
Total Demand	1.95	3.92	3.97	4.52	4.46
Domestic Demand	1.75	3.71	3.47	4.20	4.58
Domestic Final Demand	1.74	3.70	3.53	4.06	4.58
Final Demand	1.02	2.42	2.66	3.37	3.58
Personal Consumption Expenditures	1.81	3.95	3.46	3.80	4.50
Durable Goods	-1.80	-1.67	-0.21	-0.88	-0.25
Nondurable Goods	1.15	7.12	6.59	4.59	6.47
Services	2.82	3.49	2.62	4.06	4.18
Gross Private Domestic Investment	-0.35	0.77	-1.01	4.07	3.58
Fixed Investment	-0.47	0.68	-0.51	3.19	3.53
Nonresidential	-0.56	1.11	0.15	2.39	2.90
Equipment and Software	-1.05	0.14	-0.72	1.43	1.38
Structures	0.50	3.17	1.95	3.94	5.53
Residential	-0.27	-0.38	-2.30	4.91	4.87
Exports	3.78	5.98	8.68	5.43	3.51
Imports	7.51	13.17	12.48	9.84	9.59
Government Purchases	3.24	5.18	6.94	6.01	5.58
Federal	1.63	2.47	6.10	3.40	4.92
State and Local	4.17	6.75	7.42	7.64	5.95

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	14195.60	14385.12	14442.80
Plus:					
Receipts of Factor Income	855.60	848.10	796.80	816.80	837.17
Less:					
Payments of Factor Income	754.40	700.20	641.60	651.92	662.39
Equals: Gross National Product	14071.60	14222.10	14350.80	14550.00	14617.58
Less:					
Consumption of Fixed Capital	1690.90	1701.10	1710.70	1712.43	1719.42
Equals: Net National Product	12380.80	12520.90	12640.10	12837.58	12898.39
Indirect Business Taxes	1014.37	1024.76	1034.22	1046.71	1060.11
Business Transfers	94.40	97.90	101.10	94.95	89.69
Statistical Discrepancy	84.80	112.00	132.90	121.08	110.72
Net Subsidies	46.62	47.49	48.40	48.01	47.63
National Income	12296.00	12408.90	12507.20	12716.49	12787.67
Corporate Profits	1621.90	1569.00	1574.20	1602.85	1637.52
Net Interest	599.30	619.00	614.90	610.03	609.97
Contribution for Soc. Ins.	983.20	994.14	1015.93	1019.26	1024.75
Personal	505.94	511.75	523.77	524.90	524.90
Employer	477.26	482.40	492.16	494.36	499.85
Personal Interest Income	1171.10	1173.20	1169.30	1172.09	1178.72
Personal Dividend Income	805.00	826.60	843.30	857.98	868.13
Government Transfers	1714.35	1728.39	1758.02	1735.74	1779.39
Business Transfers (to persons)	28.00	28.10	28.10	28.34	28.49
Personal Income	11735.00	11880.90	12018.40	12195.43	12279.32
Percent Change, Annual Rate					
Gross Domestic Product	5.99	3.00	3.50	5.45	1.61
Plus:					
Receipts of Factor Income	21.94	-3.46	-22.09	10.42	10.36
Less:					
Payments of Factor Income	5.99	-25.79	-29.50	6.59	6.58
Equals: Gross National Product	6.88	4.35	3.67	5.67	1.87
Less:					
Consumption of Fixed Capital	1.79	2.43	2.28	0.41	1.64
Equals: Net National Product	7.60	4.60	3.86	6.40	1.91
Indirect Business Taxes	4.16	4.16	3.75	4.92	5.22
Business Transfers	7.08	15.68	13.73	-22.18	-20.39
National Income	3.29	3.72	3.21	6.86	2.26
Corporate Profits	-4.90	-12.42	1.33	7.48	8.94
Net Interest	4.74	13.81	-2.62	-3.13	-0.03
Contribution for Social Insurance	4.59	4.53	9.06	1.32	2.17
Personal	4.75	4.67	9.73	0.87	0.00
Employer	4.42	4.37	8.35	1.80	4.52
Personal Interest Income	8.14	0.72	-1.32	0.96	2.28
Personal Dividend Income	12.52	11.17	8.33	7.15	4.82
Government Transfers	6.05	3.31	7.04	-4.97	10.44
Business Transfers (to persons)	2.91	1.44	0.00	3.48	2.10
Personal Income	5.56	5.07	4.71	6.02	2.78

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	6468.40	6560.30	6592.84	6652.37
Commod Prod Industries	1217.50	1230.30	1237.50	1232.76	1242.21
Manufacturing	754.70	760.50	765.30	763.45	767.11
Others	462.80	469.80	472.20	469.32	475.10
Distributive Industries*	1033.30	1046.80	1055.60	1058.05	1062.76
Service Industries	3059.00	3106.60	3163.30	3187.47	3222.25
Government	1072.90	1084.70	1103.90	1114.63	1125.31
Other Labor Income	1500.00	1516.60	1540.50	1556.15	1573.75
Proprietors Income	1048.70	1055.90	1055.90	1052.33	1063.01
Farm	38.60	43.80	37.40	30.73	29.61
Business and Profess.	1010.00	1012.10	1018.40	1021.57	1033.40
Rental Income of Persons	68.40	77.80	78.90	86.69	89.59
Interest Paid by Persons	275.80	272.50	253.60	257.53	268.36
Other Interest	895.30	900.70	915.70	914.56	910.36
Transfer Payments	1742.30	1756.50	1786.10	1754.51	1806.33
Contributions for Social In	505.94	511.75	523.77	524.90	524.90
Personal Tax & Nontax P.	1489.80	1512.71	1516.08	1526.20	1540.14
Disposable Income	10245.20	10368.20	10502.30	10669.23	10739.18
Addendum:					
Domestic Final Sales	14633.6	14810.8	14931.8	15130.0	15187.9

Percent Change, Annual Rate

Wages and Salaries	4.10	5.48	5.81	2.00	3.66
Commod Prod Industries	1.63	4.27	2.36	-1.52	3.10
Manufacturing	0.32	3.11	2.55	-0.97	1.93
Others	3.80	6.19	2.06	-2.42	5.02
Distributive Industries*	-0.15	5.33	3.41	0.93	1.79
Service Industries	6.59	6.37	7.50	3.09	4.44
Government	4.21	4.47	7.27	3.94	3.89
Other Labor Income	4.66	4.50	6.45	4.13	4.60
Proprietors Income	4.03	2.77	0.00	-1.35	4.12
Farm	84.94	65.79	-46.84	-54.43	-13.77
Business and Profess.	1.88	0.83	2.51	1.25	4.71
Rental Income of Persons	47.18	67.38	5.78	45.77	14.05
Interest Paid by Persons	27.59	-4.70	-24.99	6.34	17.92
Other Interest	2.91	2.43	6.83	-0.50	-1.82
Transfer Payments	6.00	3.30	6.91	-6.89	12.35
Contribution for Social Ins	4.75	4.67	9.73	0.87	0.00
Personal Tax & Nontax P.	3.33	6.29	0.90	2.69	3.70
Disposable Income	5.89	4.89	5.27	6.51	2.65
Addendum:					
Domestic Final Sales	4.26	4.93	3.31	5.42	1.54

*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	342.37	343.44	347.02	364.40	364.71	366.69	368.53
RS, Durable Goods Stores	121.59	120.28	119.63	118.92	119.95	126.08	126.22	126.78	127.42
RS, Bldg Materials, Hardware	26.99	27.02	26.74	27.45	28.12	29.40	29.49	29.70	29.84
RS, Auto Dealers	75.75	74.42	74.04	72.51	72.76	76.89	76.72	77.15	77.86
RS, Furn, Home Furn & Equip	9.52	9.48	9.48	9.49	9.53	10.04	10.05	10.11	10.19
RS, Nondurable Goods Stores	215.11	214.97	216.97	218.30	220.74	231.05	231.29	232.44	233.28
RS, Food Stores	48.01	48.18	48.59	48.97	49.16	51.37	51.38	51.52	51.64
RS, Gas Service Stations	41.85	41.24	42.30	42.38	43.46	46.19	46.52	47.19	47.37
RS, Apparel and Accessories	18.91	18.75	18.87	18.89	18.98	19.95	19.98	20.08	20.18
RS, New Domestic Cars, SAA	5.07	5.02	4.94	4.89	5.33	5.26	5.11	5.08	5.08
RS, New Dom Light Trucks, SAA	6.68	6.66	6.21	5.68	5.11	5.47	5.62	5.64	5.64

RECEIPTS AND OUTLAYS OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, Billions of Current Dollars, NSA									
Federal Govt Total Outlays	244.60	267.05	199.79	257.02	285.97	219.42	259.19	253.35	228.83
Federal Govt Debt Outstanding	9160.76	9280.37	9362.87	9303.52	9328.80	9390.51	9426.33	9497.69	9542.32

HOUSING STARTS, Millions, SAAR									
Housing Starts, Total	1.0640	1.1070	0.9880	1.0080	0.9750	0.9841	0.9827	0.9865	0.9989

NEW CONSTRUCTION PUT IN PLACE, Billions of Current Dollars, SAAR									
New Const, Residential Bldgs	465.87	459.78	445.84	435.79	429.85	430.63	430.29	429.09	428.54
New Const, Nonresident Bldgs	373.24	377.47	381.83	388.01	391.02	394.32	398.43	400.69	403.62
New Const, Federal Government	20.39	20.28	19.97	20.29	20.47	20.51	20.51	20.71	20.60
New Const, State & Local Govt	272.87	274.79	278.13	276.80	278.11	279.52	280.67	281.92	283.04

Percent Change, Monthly Rate

RETAIL SALES (RS)									
RS, Total Retail Sales	0.65	-0.52	0.52	0.31	1.04	5.01	0.08	0.54	0.50
RS, Durable Goods Stores	-0.04	-1.07	-0.54	-0.60	0.86	5.11	0.11	0.45	0.50
RS, Bldg Materials, Hardware	-0.66	0.10	-1.04	2.65	2.43	4.57	0.30	0.70	0.49
RS, Auto Dealers	0.25	-1.76	-0.50	-2.08	0.35	5.68	-0.22	0.56	0.92
RS, Furn, Home Furn & Equip	-0.86	-0.41	0.01	0.15	0.39	5.35	0.09	0.63	0.79
RS, Nondurable Goods Stores	0.87	-0.07	0.93	0.61	1.12	4.67	0.10	0.50	0.36
RS, Food Stores	0.26	0.35	0.86	0.78	0.39	4.49	0.03	0.26	0.23
RS, Gas Service Stations	3.10	-1.45	2.55	0.19	2.57	6.26	0.72	1.45	0.38
RS, Apparel and Accessories	2.40	-0.85	0.64	0.07	0.48	5.12	0.16	0.49	0.49
RS, New Domestic Cars, SAAR	-8.44	-0.97	-1.55	-1.13	9.01	-1.21	-2.81	-0.70	0.02
RS, New Dom Light Trucks, SA	-2.98	-0.36	-6.76	-8.54	-9.95	7.07	2.67	0.42	-0.07

RECEIPTS AND OUTLAYS OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT									
Federal Govt Total Outlays	7.21	9.18	-25.19	28.65	11.26	-23.27	18.12	-2.25	-9.68
Federal Govt Debt Outstanding	0.12	1.31	0.89	-0.63	0.27	0.66	0.38	0.76	0.47

HOUSING STARTS									
Housing Starts, Total	6.40	4.04	-10.75	2.02	-3.27	0.93	-0.13	0.38	1.26

NEW CONSTRUCTION PUT IN PLACE									
New Const, Residential Bldgs	-0.93	-1.31	-3.03	-2.25	-1.36	0.18	-0.08	-0.28	-0.13
New Const, Nonresidential Bldgs	-0.14	1.13	1.16	1.62	0.78	0.84	1.04	0.57	0.73
New Const, Federal Government	4.50	-0.51	-1.54	1.62	0.87	0.19	0.04	0.93	-0.52
New Const, State & Local Govt	-0.07	0.70	1.22	-0.48	0.47	0.51	0.41	0.44	0.40

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	112.52	111.79	111.94	111.10	110.91	111.01	111.04	111.19	111.40
MANUFACTURERS' SHIPMENTS/INVENTORIES/ORDERS, Billions of Current Dollars, SA									
Manufacturers' New Orders	435.42	433.86	440.22	445.23	445.92	449.21	449.50	450.92	453.33
Manufacturers' Shipments	437.64	429.53	434.38	443.94	444.12	447.60	449.31	450.99	452.90
Manufacturers' Unfilled Orders	777.86	786.86	797.11	804.39	811.91	820.49	827.45	834.70	841.89
MANUFACTURED DURABLE GOODS, Billions of Current Dollars, SA									
Nondefense Capital Goods Shipmt	68.95	66.46	66.68	67.40	67.09	67.18	67.37	67.03	67.42
BUSINESS INVENTORIES, Billions of Current Dollars, SA									
Inventories, Manufacturers	537.50	540.67	545.79	545.67	548.78	550.92	552.65	554.93	556.85
Inventories, Merchant Wholesale	417.14	421.08	421.70	427.36	430.74	433.55	436.78	439.18	441.51
Inventories, Retail Traders	503.31	502.74	499.97	501.79	503.27	504.50	506.21	507.74	509.51
U.S. MERCHANDISE TRADE, Millions of Current Dollars, SA									
Exports, FAS	105482	109004	105541	110339	111055	112043	113743	114303	115264
Imports, CIF	174039	178923	171848	180912	179577	179916	182788	182981	184071
Exports, Mach and Transp Equipm	39259	41434	38245	42151	40315	40849	41328	41278	41793
Imports, Mach and Transp Equipm	61072	64765	59580	65138	64067	64504	64897	65920	66110
Percent Change, Monthly Rate									
INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION									
Industrial Production, Total	0.12	-0.64	0.13	-0.75	-0.18	0.09	0.03	0.14	0.19
MANUFACTURERS' SHIPMENTS/INVENTORIES/ORDERS									
Manufacturers' New Orders	-2.36	-0.36	1.46	1.14	0.15	0.74	0.06	0.32	0.53
Manufacturers' Shipments	1.06	-1.85	1.13	2.20	0.04	0.78	0.38	0.38	0.42
Manufacturers' Unfilled Orders	0.59	1.16	1.30	0.91	0.93	1.06	0.85	0.88	0.86
MANUFACTURED DURABLE GOODS									
Nondefense Capital Goods Shipmt	1.69	-3.61	0.34	1.08	-0.45	0.13	0.28	-0.51	0.58
BUSINESS INVENTORIES									
Inventories, Manufacturers	1.29	0.59	0.95	-0.02	0.57	0.39	0.31	0.41	0.35
Inventories, Merchant Wholesale	1.26	0.94	0.15	1.34	0.79	0.65	0.75	0.55	0.53
Inventories, Retail Traders	0.42	-0.11	-0.55	0.36	0.29	0.24	0.34	0.30	0.35
U.S. MERCHANDISE TRADE									
Exports, FAS	2.50	3.34	-3.18	4.55	0.65	0.89	1.52	0.49	0.84
Imports, CIF	2.05	2.81	-3.95	5.27	-0.74	0.19	1.60	0.11	0.60
Exports, Mach and Transp Equip	-1.29	5.54	-7.70	10.21	-4.36	1.32	1.17	-0.12	1.25
Imports, Mach and Transp Equip	1.93	6.05	-8.01	9.33	-1.64	0.68	0.61	1.58	0.29

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	215.13	216.09	216.92	217.84	218.67
CPI, Durables	112.02	111.76	111.80	111.42	111.23	111.10	111.03	110.97	110.97
CPI, Furniture	123.79	123.90	125.97	124.56	123.49	123.27	123.15	123.06	123.30
CPI, Housekeeping Supplies	171.19	172.34	173.63	174.83	175.43	176.26	177.08	177.89	178.70
CPI, Nondurables	202.48	202.38	203.73	204.71	207.83	209.00	209.34	210.24	210.88
CPI, Apparel and Upkeep	119.76	119.35	117.82	118.36	118.04	118.13	118.30	118.49	118.68
CPI, Food and Beverages	208.33	209.09	209.52	211.44	212.09	212.91	213.81	214.65	215.54
CPI, Motor Oil, Fuel,	283.01	277.45	282.00	276.57	292.24	303.26	304.40	305.88	307.40
CPI, Services	251.32	251.80	252.70	253.46	254.64	255.38	256.36	257.12	258.11
CPI, New cars	135.60	135.20	135.02	134.77	134.69	134.78	134.91	135.07	135.26
PRODUCER PRICE INDEX (PPI), 1982=100, SA									
PPI, Finished Goods	173.40	173.90	175.80	176.10	178.50	179.61	180.66	181.99	183.17
PPI, Capital Equipment	151.00	151.70	151.90	152.50	152.70	153.09	153.48	153.83	154.20
PPI, Intermediate Materials	179.30	180.60	184.80	186.50	192.00	195.15	197.64	200.53	202.83
PPI, Components for Construction	194.50	195.50	197.10	199.10	203.20	206.24	208.64	210.23	211.28
PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS, Index, 1910-14=100, SA									
Index of Prices Recvd by Farmer	905.70	909.54	915.35	921.22	929.03	930.94	934.26	935.03	936.41
U.S. EXPORT/IMPORT PRICES, Index, 1995=100, SA									
U.S. Export Price Index	120.70	121.80	123.70	124.30	124.70	125.44	126.08	126.62	127.38
U.S. Import Price Index	129.20	129.50	133.40	136.60	139.70	141.21	142.02	142.53	142.91
Percent Change, Monthly Rate									
CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (CPI)									
CPI, All Urban Consumers	0.39	0.03	0.34	0.21	0.65	0.45	0.38	0.42	0.38
CPI, Durables	-0.07	-0.24	0.04	-0.34	-0.17	-0.11	-0.06	-0.06	-0.00
CPI, Furniture	0.23	0.09	1.67	-1.12	-0.86	-0.17	-0.10	-0.07	0.19
CPI, Housekeeping Supplies	0.26	0.67	0.75	0.69	0.34	0.47	0.47	0.46	0.45
CPI, Nondurables	0.83	-0.05	0.67	0.48	1.53	0.56	0.16	0.43	0.30
CPI, Apparel and Upkeep	0.44	-0.34	-1.28	0.46	-0.27	0.07	0.15	0.16	0.16
CPI, Food and Beverages	0.68	0.37	0.21	0.92	0.31	0.39	0.42	0.39	0.41
CPI, Motor Oil, Fuel	1.10	-1.97	1.64	-1.92	5.67	3.77	0.37	0.49	0.50
CPI, Services	0.31	0.19	0.36	0.30	0.47	0.29	0.38	0.30	0.39
CPI, New Cars	-0.26	-0.30	-0.13	-0.19	-0.06	0.07	0.10	0.12	0.14
PRODUCER PRICE INDEX (PPI)									
PPI, Finished Goods	1.17	0.29	1.09	0.17	1.36	0.62	0.59	0.73	0.65
PPI, Capital Equipment	0.47	0.46	0.13	0.39	0.13	0.26	0.25	0.23	0.24
PPI, Intermediate Materials	1.19	0.73	2.33	0.92	2.95	1.64	1.28	1.46	1.15
PPI, Components for Construction	0.36	0.51	0.82	1.01	2.06	1.50	1.16	0.76	0.50
PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS									
Index of Prices Recvd by Farmer	0.52	0.42	0.64	0.64	0.85	0.21	0.36	0.08	0.15
U.S. EXPORT/IMPORT PRICES									
U.S. Export Price Index	1.17	0.91	1.56	0.49	0.32	0.59	0.52	0.43	0.60
U.S. Import Price Index	1.49	0.23	3.01	2.40	2.27	1.08	0.57	0.36	0.27

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	137.831	137.803	137.754	137.749	137.748	137.764	137.786
EMP, Manufacturing	13.737	13.690	13.644	13.595	13.569	13.539	13.511	13.488	13.470
EMP, Services	116.095	116.103	116.094	116.166	116.174	116.279	116.386	116.509	116.661
EMP, Wholesale and Retail Trade	21.540	21.486	21.456	21.407	21.376	21.367	21.344	21.339	21.323
EMP, Government	22.336	22.362	22.377	22.389	22.406	22.427	22.450	22.470	22.493
EMP, Federal Government	1.977	1.983	1.987	1.992	1.994	1.995	1.995	1.995	1.996
EMP, State and Local Governme	21.907	21.816	21.737	21.637	21.580	21.526	21.477	21.438	21.402
Total Unemployed, Millions	7.576	7.381	7.815	7.626	8.487	8.513	8.666	8.822	8.920

AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS (AWH) of Production Workers, SA

AWH, Total Private	33.70	33.70	33.80	33.70	33.70	33.70	33.69	33.68	33.67
AWH, Manufacturing	41.10	41.10	41.20	41.00	41.00	41.03	41.03	41.01	41.01
AWH, Services	30.20	30.10	30.20	30.20	30.10	30.14	30.12	30.11	30.11
AWH, Wholesale and Retail Trade	38.40	38.20	38.40	38.30	38.40	38.40	38.35	38.36	38.36

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

AHE, Manufacturing	17.49	17.55	17.61	17.61	17.63	17.68	17.71	17.75	17.79
AHE, Services	12.80	12.84	12.86	12.86	12.89	12.90	12.92	12.93	12.95
AHE, Wholesale and Retail Trade	19.97	20.00	20.03	20.03	19.99	20.09	20.10	20.13	20.18

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

AWE, Total Private	598.18	600.20	604.01	602.89	604.58	607.02	608.39	610.07	611.89
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Percent Change, Monthly Rate

EMPLOYEES (EMP) ON NONFARM PAYROLLS

EMP, Total	-0.055	-0.060	-0.064	-0.020	-0.036	-0.004	-0.001	0.012	0.016
EMP, Manufacturing	-0.254	-0.342	-0.336	-0.359	-0.191	-0.223	-0.202	-0.176	-0.131
EMP, Services	-0.006	0.007	-0.008	0.062	0.007	0.091	0.092	0.105	0.131
EMP, Wholesale and Retail Trade	-0.097	-0.251	-0.140	-0.228	-0.145	-0.043	-0.105	-0.026	-0.076
EMP, Government	0.013	0.116	0.067	0.054	0.076	0.092	0.102	0.093	0.103
EMP, Federal Government	0.254	0.303	0.202	0.252	0.100	0.046	-0.015	0.006	0.044
EMP, State and Local Governme	-0.314	-0.415	-0.362	-0.460	-0.263	-0.251	-0.226	-0.183	-0.166
Total Unemployed, Millions	-1.032	-2.574	5.880	-2.418	11.290	0.301	1.808	1.791	1.120

AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS (AWH) OF PRODUCTION WORKERS

AWH, Total Private	-0.30	0.00	0.30	-0.30	0.00	0.01	-0.03	-0.04	-0.02
AWH, Manufacturing	0.00	0.00	0.24	-0.49	0.00	0.08	0.00	-0.05	-0.01
AWH, Services	0.33	-0.33	0.33	0.00	-0.33	0.15	-0.09	-0.03	-0.00
AWH, Wholesale and Retail Trade	0.26	-0.52	0.52	-0.26	0.26	0.01	-0.13	0.01	0.01

AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS (AHE) OF PRODUCTION WORKERS

AHE, Manufacturing	0.46	0.34	0.34	0.00	0.11	0.26	0.22	0.21	0.22
AHE, Services	-0.08	0.31	0.16	0.00	0.23	0.07	0.14	0.11	0.13
AHE, Wholesale and Retail Trade	0.20	0.15	0.15	0.00	-0.20	0.50	0.05	0.14	0.28

AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS (AWE) OF PRODUCTION WORKERS

AWE, Total Private	-0.01	0.34	0.63	-0.19	0.28	0.40	0.23	0.28	0.30
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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	1367.7	1363.6	1364.9	1365.7	1367.8	1369.7
Money Supply (M2)	7477.4	7581.9	7661.6	7676.7	7684.2	7707.3	7738.1	7779.3	7821.2
Money Supply (M3)	7398.0	7428.0	7477.4	7581.8	7661.5	7739.1	7815.4	7891.2	7966.8

INTEREST RATES (IR), Percent Per Annum

IR, Treasury Bill, 6 Month	2.84	2.10	1.51	1.58	1.86	1.88	1.86	1.86	1.83
IR, Commercial Paper, 2 month	3.41	2.75	2.32	2.06	2.01	1.98	1.97	1.96	1.95
Yields, US Govt Bond, 1 year	2.71	2.05	1.54	1.74	2.05	2.24	2.17	2.17	2.35
Yields, US Govt Bond, 10 Year	3.74	3.74	3.51	3.68	3.88	3.86	3.81	3.82	3.83

FOREIGN EXCHANGE VALUE, March 1973=100

Weighted Average Value of US\$	98.48	97.67	95.77	95.48	95.83	96.11	96.37	96.63	96.89
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STOCK MARKET

New York Stock Exchange Index	9165.1	9041.5	8776.2	9174.1	9429.0	9477.1	9498.6	9516.7	9534.4
Dividend to (Stock) Price Ratio	2.11	2.10	2.17	2.09	2.07	2.07	2.07	2.07	2.06

CONSUMER INSTALLMENT CREDIT, Millions of Dollars, SA

Consumer Credit Outstanding	2535.79	2542.88	2556.00	2564.95	2576.45	2588.30	2600.24	2611.98	2624.01
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Percent Change, Monthly Rate

MONEY SUPPLY

Money Supply, (M1)	0.05	0.24	0.12	-0.31	-0.30	0.09	0.06	0.16	0.14
Money Supply, (M2)	0.66	1.40	1.05	0.20	0.10	0.30	0.40	0.53	0.54
Money Supply, (M3)	0.38	0.41	0.67	1.40	1.05	1.01	0.99	0.97	0.96

INTEREST RATES (IR), Monthly Change

IR, Treasury Bill, 6 Month	-0.50	-0.74	-0.59	0.08	0.28	0.02	-0.02	0.00	-0.03
IR, Commercial Paper, 6 Month	-0.83	-0.67	-0.43	-0.26	-0.05	-0.03	-0.01	-0.01	-0.00
Yields, US Govt Bond, 1 Year	-0.55	-0.66	-0.51	0.19	0.31	0.19	-0.07	-0.00	0.18
Yields, US Govt Bond, 10 Year	-0.35	-0.01	-0.23	0.17	0.21	-0.02	-0.06	0.02	0.01

FOREIGN EXCHANGE VALUE

Weighted Average Value of US\$	-0.79	-0.82	-1.95	-0.30	0.37	0.29	0.27	0.27	0.27
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STOCK MARKET

New York Stock Exchange Index	-6.55	-1.35	-2.93	4.53	2.78	0.51	0.23	0.19	0.19
Dividend to (Stock) Price Ratio	9.33	-0.47	3.33	-3.69	-0.96	0.12	0.11	-0.33	-0.32

CONSUMER INSTALLMENT CREDIT

Consumer Credit Outstanding	0.48	0.28	0.52	0.35	0.45	0.46	0.46	0.45	0.46
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