

## CURRENT ECONOMIC SITUATION

	3/2011	12/2011	3/2012	Change from 1 yr. ago	Change from last qtr.
GDP in 2005 dollars	13,227.9	13,422.4	13,491.4	2.0%	0.5%
Disposable Income/2005\$	10,183.2	10,141.2	10,210.1	0.3%	0.7%
Total Personal Consumption	10,731.5	10,860.5	11,059.6	3.1%	1.8%
Personal Savings divided by disposable income	5.68	5.71	4.25	-1.4%	-1.5%
Orders for Plant and Equipment/92\$	65.571	68.893	64.967	-0.9%	-5.7%
Ratio of Inventories to sales/92\$	1.25	1.26	1.26	n/a	n/a
Exchange value of US\$	71.0	73.3	73.0	2.8%	-0.4%
Total Civilian Employment	139,864,000	140,790,000	142,034,000	1.6%	0.9%
Total Unemployment Rate	8.8	8.5	8.2	-0.6%	-0.3%
Ave. Weekly Mfg. Hours	41.4	41.6	41.6	0.5%	0.0%
Private Housing Starts	593.0	689.0	706.0	19.1%	2.5%
Index of Ind. Production	92.9	95.9	96.4	3.8%	0.5%
Mfg. Capacity Utilization	74.9	76.2	78.2	4.4%	2.6%
Money Supply (M2)/82\$	8,912.9	9,640.1	9,798.6	9.9%	1.6%
Prime Rate	3.25	3.25	3.25	0.0%	0.0%
30-yr Conventional Mortgage	4.8	4.0	4.0	-0.9%	0.0%
Crude Materials Price Index	250.8	250.4	248.8	-0.8%	-0.6%
Producer Price Index	189.8	193.3	194.2	2.3%	0.5%
Consumer Price Index	223.5	227.0	229.1	2.5%	0.9%
Composite Leading Indicators*	103.3	102.0	101.1	-2.1%	-0.9%

\* Beginning March 2008, amount is adjusted to 2004=100  
p=preliminary; r=revised; n.a.=not applicable

All figures are in annualized billions of dollars except for Employment, Hours, Private Housing Starts, Indexes and percentages.

All \$ numbers are in current dollars except as noted.

Sources: The Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis; The Conference Board; Northeast Midwest Institute