

CURRENT ECONOMIC SITUATION

	6/2005	3/2006	6/2006	Change from 1 yr. ago	Change from last qtr.
GDP in 2000 dollars	11,001.8	11,316.4	11,385.3	3.5%	0.6%
Disposable Income/2000\$	8,085.8	8,217.4	8,237.5	1.9%	0.2%
Total Pers. Consumption	8,737.3	9,123.8	9,269.0	6.1%	1.6%
Personal Savings divided by disposable income	-0.38%	-1.18%	-1.71%	-1.3%	-0.5%
Orders for Plant and Equipment/92\$	64.151	63.506	63.244	-1.4%	-0.4%
Ratio of Inventories to sales/92\$	1.28	1.26	1.26	n.a.	n.a.
Exchange value of US\$	85.0	85.2	81.7	-3.9%	-4.1%
Total Civilian Employment	141,638,000	143,641,000	144,363,000	1.9%	0.5%
Total Unemployment Rate	5.0%	4.7%	4.6%	-0.4%	-0.1%
Ave. Weekly Mfg. Hours	40.4	41.2	41.3	2.2%	0.2%
Private Housing Starts	2,065.0	1,972.0	1,850.0	-10.4%	-6.2%
Index of Ind. Production	108.3	111.2	113.2	4.5%	1.8%
Mfg. Capacity Utilization	78.1	80.0	80.6	3.2%	0.7%
Money Supply (M2)/82\$	6,515.6	6,767.5	6,829.9	4.8%	0.9%
Prime Rate	6.01%	7.53%	8.02%	2.0%	0.5%
30-yr Conventional Mortgage	5.6	6.3	6.7	1.1%	0.4%
Crude Materials Price Index	166.0	178.6	181.1	9.1%	1.4%
Producer Price Index	153.7	159.0	161.6	5.1%	1.6%
Consumer Price Index	194.1	199.8	202.3	4.2%	1.3%
Composite Leading Indicators	137.7	138.4	138.1	0.3%	-0.2%

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