

## CURRENT ECONOMIC SITUATION

	9/2007	6/2008	9/2008	Change from 1 yr. ago	Change from last qtr.
GDP in 2000 dollars	11,625.7	11,727.4	11,712.3	0.7%	-0.1%
Disposable Income/2000\$	8,671.1	8,891.0	8,679.5	0.1%	-2.4%
Total Pers. Consumption	9,832.0	10,196.4	10,142.7	3.2%	-0.5%
Personal Savings divided by disposable income	0.54%	3.01%	1.33%	0.8%	-1.7%
Orders for Plant and Equipment/92\$	63.527	66.070	62.648	-1.4%	-5.2%
Ratio of Inventories to sales/92\$	1.27	1.23	1.29	n.a.	n.a.
Exchange value of US\$	75.9	71.4	75.5	-0.5%	5.7%
Total Civilian Employment	146,260,000	145,891,000	145,255,000	-0.7%	-0.4%
Total Unemployment Rate	4.7%	5.5%	6.1%	1.4%	0.6%
Ave. Weekly Mfg. Hours	41.3	41.0	33.6	-18.6%	-18.0%
Private Housing Starts	1,182.0	1,089.0	828.0	-29.9%	-24.0%
Index of Ind. Production	114.2	111.3	105.9	-7.3%	-4.9%
Mfg. Capacity Utilization	79.8	77.6	75.7	-5.1%	-2.4%
Money Supply (M2)/82\$	7,350.8	7,638.7	7,769.1	5.7%	1.7%
Prime Rate	8.03%	5.00%	5.00%	-3.0%	0.0%
30-yr Conventional Mortgage	6.4	6.3	6.0	-0.4%	-0.3%
Crude Materials Price Index	204.8	299.9	256.9	25.4%	-14.3%
Producer Price Index	167.2	181.7	181.5	8.6%	-0.1%
Consumer Price Index	208.5	217.4	218.8	4.9%	0.6%
Composite Leading Indicators*	137.9	101.7	100.6	-27.0%	-1.1%

\* 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