

CURRENT ECONOMIC SITUATION

	12/2010	9/2011	12/2011	Change from 1 yr. ago	Change from last qtr.
GDP in 2005 dollars	13,216.1	13,331.6	13,422.4	1.6%	0.7%
Disposable Income/2005\$	10,152.0	10,121.6	10,141.2	-0.1%	0.2%
Total Personal Consumption	10,552.1	10,840.6	10,860.5	2.9%	0.2%
Personal Savings divided by disposable income	5.79	4.51	4.23	-26.9%	-6.1%
Orders for Plant and Equipment/92\$	66.776	68.451	68.893	3.2%	0.6%
Ratio of Inventories to sales/92\$	1.27	1.27	1.26	n/a	n/a
Exchange value of US\$	74.0	71.2	73.3	-0.9%	2.9%
Total Civilian Employment	139,206,000	140,107,000	140,790,000	1.1%	0.5%
Total Unemployment Rate	9.4	9.0	8.5	-9.6%	-5.6%
Ave. Weekly Mfg. Hours	41.3	41.3	41.6	0.7%	0.7%
Private Housing Starts	522.0	646.0	689.0	32.0%	6.7%
Index of Ind. Production	92.8	94.5	95.9	3.3%	1.5%
Mfg. Capacity Utilization	73.6	75.6	76.2	3.5%	0.8%
Money Supply (M2)/82\$	8,816.9	9,502.5	9,640.1	9.3%	1.4%
Prime Rate	3.25	3.25	3.25	0.0%	0.0%
30-yr Conventional Mortgage	4.7	4.1	4.0	-14.9%	-0.1%
Crude Materials Price Index	236.1	252.4	250.4	6.1%	-0.8%
Producer Price Index	184.1	193.6	193.3	5.0%	-0.2%
Consumer Price Index	220.2	226.9	227.0	3.1%	0.0%
Composite Leading Indicators*	101.3	100.5	102.0	0.7%	1.5%

* 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