

U.S. ECONOMIC STATISTICS - MONTHLY DATA

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					year to date								
	(Annual Average)				(Avg)								
Unemployment Rate (level)	5.5	5.1	4.6	4.6	5.6	5.5	5.5	5.7	6.1	6.1	6.5	6.7	
Payroll Employment (monthly increase, thousands)					(Avg)								
Total Nonfarm	173	211	175	91	-174	-47	-100	-67	-127	-403	-320	-533	
Private	159	197	159	71	-193	-99	-110	-106	-139	-384	-362	-540	
Inflation (percent)	(Dec to Dec)				(Ann rate)								
CPI (over year or month)	3.3	3.4	2.6	4.1	0.7	0.6	1.1	0.8	-0.1	0.0	-1.0	-1.7	
CPI (over year ago)						4.1	4.9	5.5	5.4	4.9	3.7	1.0	
excluding food and energy (over year or month)	2.2	2.2	2.6	2.4	1.9	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.1	-0.1	0.0	
excluding food and energy (over year ago)						2.3	2.4	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.2	2.0	
PPI - finished goods (over year or month)	4.4	5.4	1.1	6.4	0.8	1.4	1.7	1.2	-0.9	-0.4	-2.8	-2.2	
PPI - finished goods (over year ago)													
West Texas Intermediate crude oil (\$/barrel, spot)	(Annual Average)				(Avg)								
	41.4	56.5	66.1	72.4	99.6	125.4	133.9	133.4	116.6	103.9	76.7	57.4	41.0
Housing (thousand units, annual rate)	(Annual Average)				(Avg)	(Annual Rate)							
Housing Starts	1,950	2,073	1,812	1,341	932	982	1,089	949	854	824	771	625	
New Single-Family Homes Sold	1,201	1,279	1,049	768	496	515	499	505	448	442	419	407	
Auto and Light Truck Sales (million units, ann'l rate)					(Avg)								
	16.8	17.0	16.5	16.2	13.2	14.3	13.7	12.6	13.7	12.5	10.6	10.2	10.3
Retail Sales and Food Services (growth, percent)	(Dec to Dec)				(Ann rate)	(previous month)							
	8.1	4.8	5.3	3.4	-6.4	0.8	0.1	-0.6	-0.7	-1.6	-2.9	-1.8	
ex - motor vehicles and parts dealers	8.2	6.9	5.5	4.8	-1.8	1.2	0.7	0.1	-1.1	-0.7	-2.4	-1.6	
Industrial Production (growth, percent)	(Dec to Dec)				(Ann rate)								
Total	4.3	2.8	1.3	2.0	-6.1	-0.2	0.1	0.0	-1.3	-4.2	1.5	-0.7	
Manufacturing	5.1	3.5	1.5	1.8	-7.9	0.0	-0.2	-0.2	-1.0	-4.1	0.7	-1.4	
Capacity Utilization (percent)	(Annual Average)				(Avg)								
Total	78.5	80.2	80.9	81.0	78.6	79.6	79.6	79.5	78.3	75.0	76.0	75.4	
Manufacturing	77.1	78.6	79.4	79.4	76.4	77.6	77.3	77.1	76.2	73.1	73.4	72.3	
ISM Composite Index - Manufacturing	(Annual Average)				(Avg)								
	60.5	54.4	53.1	51.1	45.6	49.6	50.2	50.0	49.9	43.5	38.9	36.2	32.4
ISM Business Activity Index - Nonmanufacturing	62.4	60.2	58.0	56.0	47.5	53.6	49.9	49.6	51.6	52.1	44.2	33.0	39.6

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					(Dec to Dec)	(Ann rate)	(previous month)						
New Orders for Durables (advance report, growth, per	6.4	14.8	0.5	2.6	-18.5	0.1	1.4	0.7	-5.5	0.0	-8.5	-1.5	
New Orders for Nondefense Capital Goods	8.4	29.6	-0.9	4.7	-21.7	0.0	-2.3	3.5	-7.8	-1.1	-6.5		
Business Inventories (percent change)	(Dec to Dec)				(Ann rate)	(previous month)							
	7.6	5.4	6.5	3.8		0.4	0.8	1.1	0.2	-0.4	-0.6		
Business Inventories/sales ratio	(Annual Average)				(Avg)								
	1.30	1.27	1.27	1.27	1.27	1.24	1.23	1.24	1.27	1.30	1.34		
Manufacturing	1.19	1.17	1.19	1.23	1.27	1.23	1.22	1.21	1.26	1.29	1.33	1.41	
Wholesale Trade	1.18	1.17	1.16	1.13	1.10	1.08	1.06	1.08	1.10	1.12	1.16		
Retail	1.56	1.51	1.49	1.47	1.48	1.45	1.45	1.48	1.48	1.51	1.56		
U.S. Trade Balance (billions of dollars, BOP Basis)	(Annual Total)				(Ann rate)	(monthly)							
Goods and services	-617.6	-711.6	-753.3	-700.3	-709.1	-60.0	-58.7	-61.1	-58.9	-56.6	-57.2		
Goods	-665.4	-787.2	-838.3	-819.4	-854.3	-72.1	-71.3	-74.1	-71.1	-69.5	-69.8		
Index of Leading Indicators (percent change)	(Dec to Dec)				(Ann rate)								
	5.2	2.2	0.2	-1.7	-3.8	-0.1	0.0	-0.7	-0.9	0.0	-0.9		
Index of Coincident Indicators (percent change)	3.6	2.0	1.9	1.1	-2.3	-0.1	-0.2	-0.2	-0.4	-1.0	0.3		
Interest Rates (percent)	(Annual Average)				(Avg)	(previous month)							
3-month T-bill	1.39	3.15	4.72	4.41	1.46	1.71	1.89	1.72	1.79	1.46	0.84	0.30	0.04
10-year T-note	4.27	4.29	4.79	4.63	3.67	3.88	4.10	4.01	3.89	3.69	3.81	3.53	2.42
Baa rate	6.39	6.06	6.48	6.48	7.45	6.93	7.07	7.16	7.15	7.31	8.88	9.22	8.46
Mortgage rate, 30-year fixed	5.84	5.87	6.41	6.34	6.04	6.04	6.32	6.43	6.48	6.04	6.20	6.09	5.33