U.S. ECONOMIC ACTIVITY

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Personal Income

1-month % change

Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis

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Nominal Personal Consumption Expenditures

1-month % change

Jun-01-release, Apr = -0.02  3-year average

Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis  http://www.dallasfed.org
Real Value of the Dollar

March 1973 = 100

- **Exchange Value of the US$ (Jun-01- release, May=93)**
- **US$ vs Major Currencies* (Jun-01- release, May=100.5)**

* Euro Area, Canada, Japan, UK, Switzerland, Australia, and Sweden

Source: Federal Reserve Board  http://www.dallasfed.org
Real GDP

1-quarter % change, annualized

Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis
http://www.dallasfed.org
Consumer Confidence/Sentiment

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Recession
Confidence (May-26-release, May = 95.4)
Sentiment (May-29-release, May = 90.7)

Consumer Sentiment: Survey of Consumers, Survey Research Center, U. of Michigan
Initial Claims for Unemployment and Unemployment Rate

4-week MA
Thousands of Initial Claims

Percent
Unemployment


Initial Claims (May-28-release, May 23=272)
Unemployment Rate (May-08-release, Apr=5.4)

Housing Starts and Permits

Thousands

Source: Bureau of the Census  http://www.dallasfed.org
Home Sales

Thousands of New Homes

Thousands of Existing Homes

New Home Sales (May-26-release, Apr = 517)
Existing Home Sales (May-21-release, Apr = 4430)

Recession

Source: Bureau of the Census, National Association of Realtors http://www.dallasfed.org
New Orders for Durable Goods

Billions of Dollars

- **Red** line: Durable Goods (May-26-release, Apr = 235.5)
- **Blue** line: Excl. Transportation (May-26-release, Apr = 157.7)
- **Gray** shaded area: Recession

Source: Bureau of the Census

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Index of Leading Economic Indicators

Source: The Conference Board
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Recession  Leading Index (May-21-release, Apr = 122.3)
Industrial Production

1-month % change

May-15-release, Apr = -0.3
3-year average

Source: Federal Reserve Board  http://www.dallasfed.org
Manufacturing Capacity Utilization Rate

Percent


Recession
CU Rate (May-15-release, Apr = 77.2)
Historic Average (1948-present)

Source: Federal Reserve Board http://www.dallasfed.org
Retail Sales

1-month % change

Source: Bureau of the Census  http://www.dallasfed.org
Retail Sales, Excluding Autos

1-month % change

Source: Bureau of the Census

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Change in Nonfarm Employment

Thousands of jobs

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics
http://www.dallasfed.org
ISM Non-Manufacturing Activity Index

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Source: Institute for Supply Management™

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U.S. Imports and Exports

Billions of Dollars

Source: Bureau of the Census

http://www.dallasfed.org
ISM Manufacturing Prices Index

Source: Institute for Supply Management™

http://www.dallasfed.org
Commodity Prices

1967=100, EOP

KR-CRB Spot Commodity Price Index: Metals (May-31- release, May=725.1)
KR-CRB Spot Commodity Price Index: Raw Industrials (May-31- release, May=466.9)

Source: Commodity Research Bureau  http://www.dallasfed.org

Recession
Consumer Price Index

1-month % change

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

http://www.dallasfed.org
Core Consumer Price Index

1-month % change

May-22-release, Apr = 0.26
3-year average

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics
http://www.dallasfed.org
Producer Price Index

1-month % change

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics
http://www.dallasfed.org
Core Producer Price Index

1-month % change

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics
http://www.dallasfed.org
Average Hourly Earnings

1-month % change


Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

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Nonfarm Business Productivity

1-quarter % change, annualized

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics
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Nonfarm Business Unit Labor Cost

1-quarter % change, annualized

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

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FINANCIAL-SECTOR DEVELOPMENTS

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Recession Probability

Real-time Neftci probability calculated from 10-yr.--1-yr. Treasury yield spread

Crosses 70% threshold with a lead of between 5 and 18 months, and averaging 11 months.

*Indicator properties of the yield curve may be distorted during this period due to the zero bound on short-term interest rates and Federal Reserve purchases of long-term Treasuries.

Source: Federal Reserve Board; calculations by FRB Dallas

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Real Federal Funds Rate

End-of-Month Target Fed Funds Rate less SPF Expected Inflation

End-of-Month Target Fed Funds Rate less U. of Michigan Expected Inflation

Target Fed Funds Rate (Jun-01) less SPF Expected Inflation (May-15)

Target Fed Funds Rate (Jun-01) less U. of Michigan Expected Inflation (May-29)


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Short-Term Interest Rates

Target Fed Fund Rate (Jun 01 = 0.125)
3-Month T-Bill Rate (May 29 = 0.01)
Discount Window Primary Credit Rate (May 29 = 0.75)
3-month LIBOR (May 29 = 0.284)

Source: Federal Reserve Board  http://www.dallasfed.org
Long-Term Interest Rates

Source: Federal Reserve Board http://www.dallasfed.org
Bond Spreads

Merrill Lynch’s Yield on Low-Grade Corporate Bonds, Moody’s AAA and BAA Corporate

Source: Moody’s Investors Service, Merrill Lynch

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Yield Curve

Source: Federal Reserve Board
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Money Supply: M1

1-month % change, annualized

May-28-release, Apr = 2.77

3-year average

Source: Federal Reserve Board

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Money Supply: M2

1-month % change, annualized

Source: Federal Reserve Board http://www.dallasfed.org