

**MONTHLY ECONOMIC INDICATORS FOR THE NATIONAL ECONOMY**

	September	August	September	Percentage Change From		Annual Growth Rate
	2014	2014	2013	August 2014	September 2013	
<b>COMPOSITE INDEX OF LEADING ECONOMIC INDICATORS<sup>1</sup></b>	104.4	103.6	98.2	0.8	6.3	5.9
<b>CONSTRUCTION AND REAL ESTATE<sup>2</sup></b>						
Total new residential (in millions of dollars).....	\$ 16,379	\$ 15,748	\$ 14,656	4.0	11.8	10.6
One-family structures.....	12,499	12,609	11,443	-0.9	9.2	6.3
Small multi-family structures (2-4 units).....	284	309	282	-8.2	0.8	8.0
Large multi-family structures (5+ units).....	3,596	2,830	2,932	27.1	22.7	29.4
<b>EMPLOYMENT</b>						
<b>NONFARM WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT (NSA)</b>						
<b>(ESTABLISHMENT DATA)</b>						
Total wage and salary (in thousands of filled positions).....	139,752	139,051	137,069	0.5	2.0	1.8
Natural resources and mining.....	939	935	886	0.4	6.0	4.7
Construction.....	6,316	6,350	6,081	-0.5	3.9	3.3
Manufacturing.....	12,222	12,249	12,065	-0.2	1.3	0.9
Durable goods.....	7,715	7,730	7,566	-0.2	2.0	1.4
Transportation equipment.....	1,565	1,563	1,509	0.1	3.7	2.6
Aerospace products and parts.....	478	481	486	-0.6	-1.6	-3.3
Nondurable goods.....	4,507	4,519	4,499	-0.3	0.2	0.1
Wholesale trade.....	5,883	5,902	5,778	-0.3	1.8	2.0
Retail trade.....	15,308	15,376	15,043	-0.4	1.8	2.0
Transportation and warehousing.....	4,668	4,595	4,537	1.6	2.9	2.5
Utilities.....	553	558	551	-1.0	0.4	0.0
Information.....	2,685	2,697	2,665	-0.4	0.8	-0.5
Financial activities.....	7,993	8,031	7,897	-0.5	1.2	0.9
Professional and business services.....	19,492	19,460	18,773	0.2	3.8	3.7
Education and health services.....	21,497	21,229	21,086	1.3	1.9	1.7
Educational services.....	3,351	3,103	3,294	8.0	1.7	1.3
Health care and social assistance.....	18,146	18,126	17,792	0.1	2.0	1.8
Leisure and hospitality.....	14,874	15,300	14,498	-2.8	2.6	3.0
Other services.....	5,511	5,559	5,463	-0.9	0.9	0.7
Government.....	21,812	20,809	21,747	4.8	0.3	0.0
Average hours worked per week, manufacturing (SA).....	42.1	42.0	41.9	0.2	0.5	0.4
Average hourly earnings in manufacturing (SA).....	\$ 19.62	\$ 19.63	\$ 19.35	-0.1	1.4	1.5
<b>CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE (HOUSEHOLD DATA)<sup>3</sup></b>						
(Seasonally Adjusted Data)						
Total civilian labor force (in thousands of persons).....	155,862	155,959	155,473	-0.1	0.3	0.0
Unemployed.....	9,262	9,591	11,203	-3.4	-17.3	-14.4
Unemployment rate, SA (percent).....	5.9	6.1	7.2	---	---	---
Total employed.....	146,600	146,368	144,270	0.2	1.6	1.2
Unemployment rate, NSA (percent).....	5.7	6.3	7.0	---	---	---
<b>INDUSTRY AND PRODUCTION (Seasonally Adjusted Data)</b>						
Index of industrial production (1997=100) <sup>1</sup> .....	105.1	104.0	100.7	1.0	4.3	3.8
Capacity utilization rate, manufacturing (percent) <sup>1</sup> .....	78.1	77.9	76.7	---	---	---
ISM Purchasing Managers' Index (percent) <sup>4</sup> .....	56.6	59.0	56.0	---	---	---
<b>PRICES AND CONSUMER ATTITUDES</b>						
CPI for all urban consumers, NSA (1982-84=100).....	238.0	237.9	234.1	0.1	1.7	1.6
Index of consumer confidence, SA (1985=100) <sup>1</sup> .....	86.0	93.4	80.2	-8.0	7.2	13.3
<b>INTEREST RATES</b>						
Federal funds rate, NSA (percent) <sup>1</sup> .....	0.09	0.09	0.08	---	---	---
Average prime rate charged by banks, NSA (percent) <sup>1</sup> .....	3.25	3.25	3.25	---	---	---

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<sup>2</sup>Data before January 2004 are from the 19,000-Place Series; Beginning with January 2004 data are from the 20,000-Place Series.

<sup>3</sup>Wichita MSA & Kansas employment data are not seasonally adjusted. Use the not seasonally adjusted U.S. unemployment rate for comparisons.

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SA seasonally adjusted; NSA not seasonally adjusted; NA not available; R revised; P preliminary