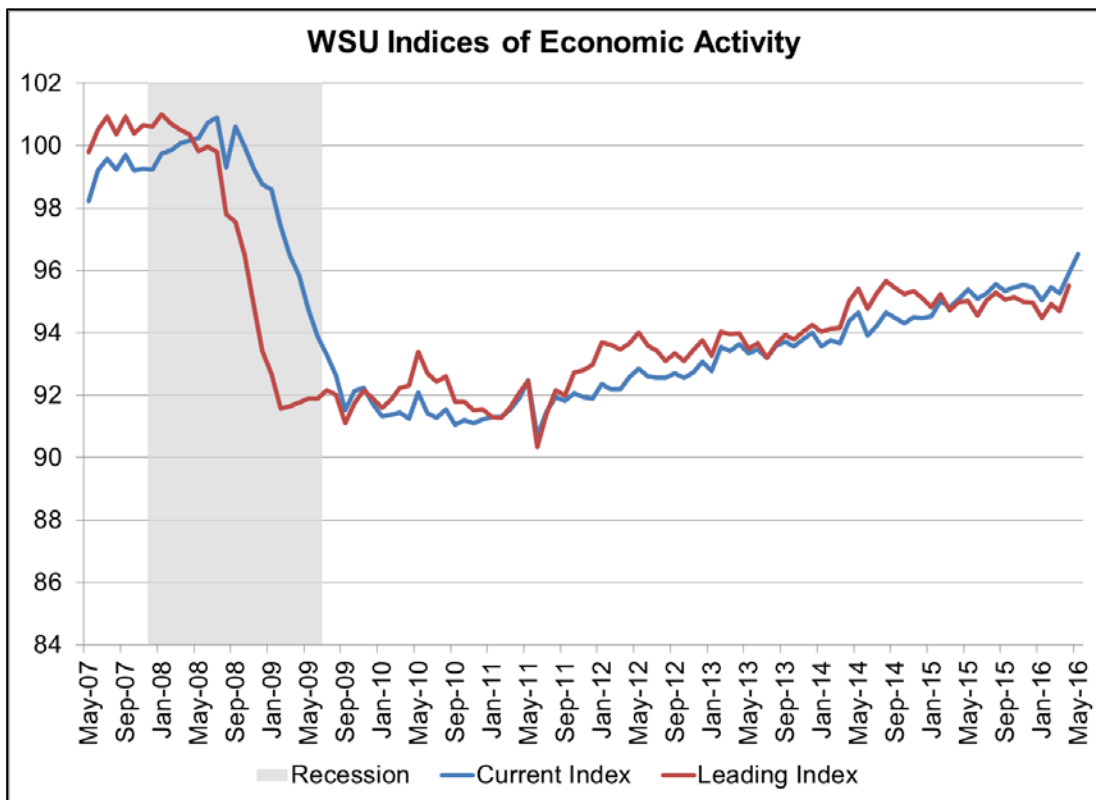


WSU Wichita Metropolitan Area Indices

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The Center for Economic Development and Business Research has compiled the current and leading indices to provide insights into the present and future state of the Wichita economy. The WSU Current Conditions Index is designed to give an indication of the present conditions of the Wichita metropolitan area economy. The WSU Leading Economic Indicators Index is designed to give an indication of where the Wichita economy is headed over the next six months.

WSU Current Index of Economic Activity

The current index continued to improve between April and May, after declining slightly at the beginning of the year. The current level of economic activity, in Wichita, remains above the 2015 level. There were improvements in all of the index components between April and May, with the strongest improvement in the earnings of production employees.

WSU Wichita Current Conditions Index

	May-16	Apr-16	Monthly % Change	Annual % Change
Current Conditions Index	96.5	95.9	▲ 0.6%	▲ 1.2%
Index Components - Wichita MSA				
Total Non-farm Employment	299,800	298,000	▲ 0.6%	▲ 1.4%
Unemployment Rate	4.0%	4.1%	▼ -0.1%	▼ -0.9%
Hours of Production Employees*	44.1	43.9	▲ 0.5%	▼ -4.5%
Earnings of Production Employees*	\$778.71	\$768.71	▲ 1.3%	▼ -2.7%

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, data compiled by CEDBR and seasonally adjusted

*Manufacturing Weekly Average

WSU Leading Index of Economic Activity

The WSU Leading Index is temporarily unavailable. One of the index components, the OECD Leading Index, has been suspended due to the referendum in the United Kingdom. It is anticipated the data will be available again in September. The WSU Leading Index will be available again at that time.

Data can be accessed directly at index.cedbr.org