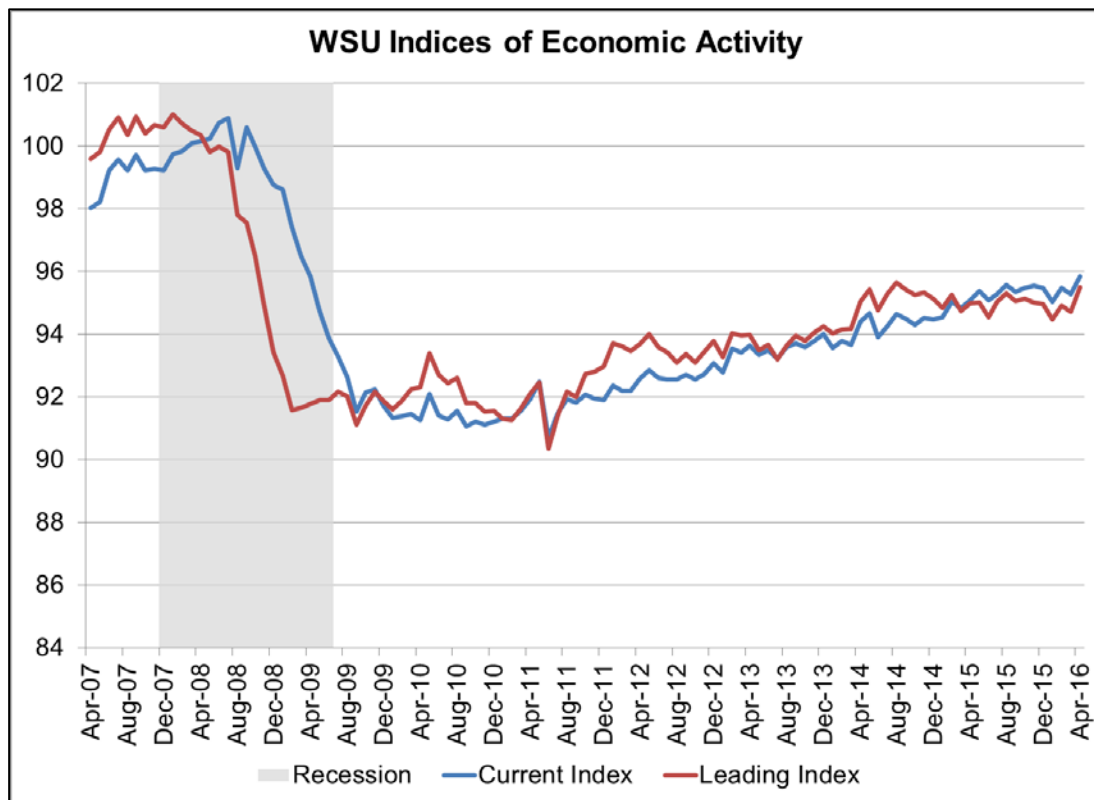


WSU Wichita Metropolitan Area Indices

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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 March and April, after declining slightly at the beginning of the year. The current level of economic activity, in Wichita, remains somewhat above the 2015 level. There were improvements in all of the index components between March and April. However, hours and earnings of production employees are down over the past year.

WSU Wichita Current Conditions Index

	Apr-16	Mar-16	Monthly % Change	Annual % Change
Current Conditions Index	95.9	95.3	▲ 0.6%	▲ 0.8%
Index Components - Wichita MSA				
Total Non-farm Employment	297,800	297,300	▲ 0.2%	▲ 0.9%
Unemployment Rate	4.1%	4.5%	▼ -0.4%	▼ -1.0%
Hours of Production Employees*	43.9	42.9	▲ 2.3%	▼ -3.9%
Earnings of Production Employees*	\$768.71	\$721.78	▲ 6.5%	▼ -2.7%

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

*Manufacturing Weekly Average

WSU Leading Index of Economic Activity

The leading index improved somewhat between March and April. However, there continues to be an indication of decreased economic activity through late summer and into fall. There were improvements in the Kansas Leading Index and National Industrial Production Index between March and April, although all of the index components are down over the past year.

WSU Wichita Leading Conditions Index

	Apr-16	Mar-16	Monthly % Change	Annual % Change
Leading Conditions Index	95.5	94.7	▲ 0.8%	▲ 0.5%
Predicted change*	▼ -0.38	▼ -0.57	-	-
Index Components				
Aircraft Production Index	108.2	108.6	▼ -0.4%	▼ -1.2%
Kansas Leading Index	0.9	0.8	▲ 12.5%	▼ -10.0%
National Industrial Production Index	104.1	103.5	▲ 0.6%	▼ -1.1%
International Leading Index	99.6	99.6	■ 0.0%	▼ -0.7%

Source: Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia, Organization for Economic Co-Operation and Development (OECD), data compiled by CEDBR

*Predicted change in the level of economic activity over the next six months from the current level of economic activity

Data can be accessed directly at index.cedbr.org