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#### The economy is stabilizing, no double dip – census data proves

Yen 9/20 (Hope Yen, 9/20/12, “Census data suggest U.S. economy has bottomed out” [www.dallasnews.com/business/headlines/20120920-census-data-suggest-u.s.-economy-has-bottomed-out.ece](http://www.dallasnews.com/business/headlines/20120920-census-data-suggest-u.s.-economy-has-bottomed-out.ece))

WASHINGTON — The U.S. economy is showing signs of … adults were testing out job prospects.

#### New spending will trigger a downgrade

Thriving Tools 12 (“The U.S. Credit Rating Downgrade” [www.thrivingtools.com/government/the-u-s-credit-rating-downgrade/](http://www.thrivingtools.com/government/the-u-s-credit-rating-downgrade/))

Standard and Poor’s made … or the government does not keep control over spending.

#### Further downgrades will cause a global economic crisis

Goldwein 11 (Marc Goldwein, senior policy analyst for the fiscal policy program at the New America Foundation, 8/11/11, “Drawing a AAA-Road Map for Post-Downgrade America” www.theatlantic.com/business/archive/2011/08/drawing-a-aaa-road-map-for-post-downgrade-america/243463/)

**NFL:** Marc Goldwein is a senior policy analyst for the fiscal policy program at the New America Foundation, from theatlantic.com, published August 11, 2011, accessed August 20, 2012

What are the consequences of further … with no one available to bail out the U.S. government.

#### Economic collapse causes global nuclear war – conflict is now uniquely probable

Merlini 11 (Cesare Merlini is a nonresident senior fellow at the Center on the United States and Europe and chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Italian Institute for International Affairs, his areas of expertise include transatlantic relations, European integration and nuclear non-proliferation, with particular focus on nuclear science and technology, “A Post-Secular World?” Survival: Global Politics and Strategy, Volume 53, Issue 2, April-May 2011, pages 117 – 130, Taylor & Francis Online)

Two neatly opposed scenarios for the … stemming from a self-perception of rising influence and power.

### 2NC/1NR UQ

#### The economy is growing – housing market proves

Curtis 9/19 (John Curtis, 9/19/12, “U.S. home sales point to economic recovery” <http://www.examiner.com/article/u-s-home-sales-point-to-economic-recovery>)

Throwing a monkey wrench into GOP presidential … promising more good things to come.

### 2NC/1NR Racism Impact

#### Economic downturn dramatically increases racism – turns the case

AP 09 (“U.N. Chief: Bad Economy Threatens More Racism” 4/20/09, www.foxnews.com/story/0,2933,517127,00.html)

U.N. Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon urged the … become dramatically worse as a result of new technologies that proliferate hatred.