

THE NUMBERS SINCE THE SUMMER

AT THE NATIONAL LEVEL FROM JULY 2013 TO DECEMBER 2013

	POS	NEG	NO						
	(good)	(bad)	CHANGE	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC
HOUSING NUMBERS									
SALES OF EXISTING HOMES (in Millions)			X	4.9M	5.0M	4.9M	5.0M	5.0M	5.1M
SALES OF NEW HOMES (in thousands)	X			373,000	388,000	403,000	474,000	464,000	
HOUSING UNDER CONSTRUCTION (Annualized pace)	X			891,000	883,000	873,000	889,000	1,091,000	999,000
JOB NUMBERS									
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE	X			7.3%	7.2%	7.2%	7.2%	7.0%	6.7%
NUMBER OF UNEMPLOYED PEOPLE (in Millions)	X			11.4M	11.3M	11.2M	11.1M	10.8M	10.4M
INCREASE IN JOBS (in thousands)	X			89,000	238,000	175,000	200,000	241,000	74,000
AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS	X			\$23.99	\$24.05	\$24.09	\$24.11	\$24.15	\$24.17
CONFIDENCE AND SALES NUMBERS									
CONSUMER CONFIDENCE			X	85	82	78	73	75	83
BUSINESS CONFIDENCE (ISM INDEX)			X	53	54	55	55	54	53
RETAIL SALES (in Billions)			X	\$380B	\$381B	\$381B	\$382B	\$383B	\$384B
AUTO SALES COMPARED TO LAST YEAR		X		11%	11%	3%	6%	7%	1%
EXPORTS OF GOODS AND SERVICES (in Billions)	X			\$185B	\$186B	\$184B	\$187B	\$187B	\$191B
FINANCIAL NUMBERS (end of month)									
DOW JONES INDUSTRIAL AVERAGE	X			15,500	14,810	15,130	15,546	16,086	16,577
STANDARD & POORS 500 AVERAGE	X			1,686	1,633	1,681	1,757	1,806	1,848
BOND MARKET - 10 YEAR TREASURY BOND		X		2.60%	2.78%	2.64%	2.57%	2.74%	3.04%
HOME MORTGAGE INTEREST RATES-30 YEAR FIXED		X		4.31%	4.51%	4.32%	4.10%	4.29%	4.48%
ECONOMIC NUMBERS									
INFLATION RATE	X			1.96%	1.52%	1.18%	1%	1.24%	1.50%
GOLD PRICE per ounce		X		\$ 1,324	\$ 1,395	\$ 1,326	\$ 1,324	\$ 1,253	\$ 1,204
OIL PRICES PER BARREL			X	\$ 97	\$ 92	\$ 97	\$ 93	\$ 92	\$ 97
GDP GROWTH (Quarterly results only)	X			2.5			4.1		
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