



# Manufacturing Update

October 2009

## Commodities Prices

	Unit	Month Latest	Month Previous	3 year Average	Peak	% Down from Peak
Aluminum	pound	\$0.85	\$0.84	\$1.06	\$1.46	41.6%
Steel, Hot Rolled Sheet	ton	\$565	\$580	\$642	\$1,111	49.1%
Copper	pound	\$2.81	\$2.88	\$2.92	\$3.97	29.3%
Nickel	pound	\$8.38	\$8.07	\$11.55	\$24.12	65.3%
Oil	barrel	\$75.73	\$70.91	\$76.63	\$142.52	46.9%
Gasoline	gallon	\$2.53	\$2.50	\$2.74	\$4.05	37.5%
Uncoated Paper (50 lb roll)	ton	\$820	\$820	\$859	\$960	14.6%
Unbleached Linerboard (42 lb.)	ton	\$530	\$540	\$551	\$610	13.1%

## Trade in Goods (\$ in billions)

	Month	Previous 12
Imports	158.9	1,635.0
Exports	128.2	1,067.5
Deficit	-30.7	-567.5

## Manufacturing Employment

Change since	Number in 000's	Percent
Previous Month	-146	-0.8%
Twelve Months	-2,410	-11.3%

Overall Unemployment Rate	9.8%
Real Unemployment Rate	17.0%

## CPI Change

Since Previous Month	0.1%
Since Twelve Months	-1.7%

