

Office of the Controller

City of Philadelphia

Financial and Policy Analysis Unit

Economic Forecasts	November	2009								Ar	rows (⇔ ⊘	0 0 1) indicate t	the change of the forecast over time, not the direction of the forecast itself.
United States	Updates		Current			2009 2010		20		Unemployment	2009 Unemployment			2010 Unemployment
United States	per Year	Update	GDP			GE	GDP		er Price	Rate				
1 American Bankers Association, ABA — Forecast and Outlook	2	Jun-08		3.5%	ŝ	4.5%	2	3.7%	ß		5.3%	2	5.7%	₽
2 economy.com — Précis: Metro/US	3	Sep-09	3rd Quarter 2009	-2.6%	~	1.8%	7	n/a	0	Nov. 2009	9.2%	~	10.0%	₽
3 FRB Philadelphia — Livingston Survey	2	Jul-09	3.5%	-2.8%	8	1.1%	2	-2.2%	ŝ	10.0%	9.9%	~	9.8%	₽
4 FRB Philadelphia — Survey of Professional Forecasters	4	Nov-09	3.3%	-2.5%	~	2.4%	2	1.7%	ŝ	10.0%	9.3%	7	10.0%	₽
5 National Association for Business Economics — NABE Outlook	4	Nov-09		-9.0%	8	3.1%	7	-0.8%	0		8.4%	7	8.8%	2
			Level of									This chart tracks the Indicator for the last 12 months.		
6 The Conference Board — U.S. Leading Indicator *	12	Dec-09	Business Activity	104.9	2	Dec -08							Nov-09	
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Narrative: Six of the ten indicators that make up The Conference Board Leading Economic Index for the U.S. increased in November. The positive contributors were the interest rate spread, average weekly initial claims for unemployment insurance (inverted), average weekly manufacturing hours, building permits, stock prices and real money supply. The negative contributors were the index of supplier deliveries (vendor performance), the index of consumer expectations, and manufacturers' new orders for nondefense capital goods. The manufacturers' new orders for consumer goods and materials held steady in November.

Regional (U.S. Northeast) & Local (Phila. Metro)	Updates per Year	Last Update	Current GRP/GMP	200 GRP/GMP chan	(percent	20 GRP/GMP char	(percent	20 Personal Gro	Income	201 Personal Grov	Income	200 Net Mig (thous	ration		2010 Net Migration (thousands)
7 economy.com — Précis: Metro/NORTHEAST	3	Sep-09	2747.0	N/A	0	N/A	0	-0.1%	8	1.1%	ß	-94.4	2	-68.3	2
8 economy.com — Précis: Metro/Philadelphia	3	Sep-09	146.0	-3.4%	ŝ	1.0%	7	0.6%	7	1.4%	⇒	-5.7	7	-5	2
			Current (2009) Employment	2009 2010 Employment Employment		COSt OF DOING DUSINESS		Current (2009) 2010 Unemployment Unemployment		2011 Unemployment					
7 economy.com — Précis: Metro/NORTHEAST	3	Sep-09	28,635	-2.7%	2	-1.2%	7	109	₽	8.3	%	9.4%	2	8.4%	₽
8 economy.com — Précis: Metro/Philadelphia	3	Sep-09	1,875	-2.6%	ŝ	-0.5%	Ŷ	105	¢	8.2	%	9.1%	7	8.1%	2
10 FRB Philadelphia — Business Outlook Survey	12	Dec-09	Leading Indicator	Dec- to No 20.4		Dec-07				Nov-08		<u>_</u> **		Nov -	This chart tracks the Indicator for the last 24 months.

Narrative: According to the Federal Reserve Board's Beige Book, the outlook in the Third District-Philadelphia business community remained lackluster in November. Manufacturers forecast a rise in shipments and orders during the next six months, on balance, although the balance of positive views has eased in the past month. Retailers have mixed views, but on balance they expect sales for the holiday shopping period this year to roughly match last year. Auto dealers expect sales to improve in the near-term, although they say the number of dealers remaining in business will continue to decline. Bankers anticipate demand for credit to remain weak though the winter. Residential real estate contacts believe housing demand will continue to firm up, but they do not expect a substantial increase in sales until sometime next year. Contacts in nonresidential real estate expect leasing and construction to remain weak well into 2010. Service-sector firms expect activity to remain near current levels in the near term.

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City Controller's Office Monthly Economic Snapshot (Nov) 30-Nov-09

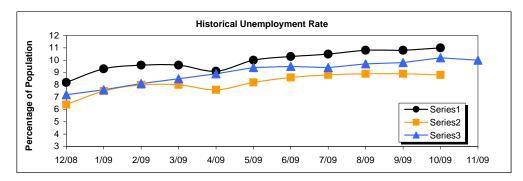
Total Non-Farm Employment (in thousands) Source										
	Nov-09	Nov-08	Change	Oct-09						
City Total	650.3	664.8	-2.18%	649.7						
Manufacturing	24.6	26.8	-8.21%	24.6						
Wholesale & Retail	60.9	65.2	-6.60%	59.9						
Services	616.1	626.1	-1.60%	615.4						
Construction & Mining	9.6	11.9	-19.33%	9.7						
MSA Total	2736.8	2825.1	-3.13%	2733.8						
Manufacturing	199.5	211.5	-5.67%	200.3						
Wholesale & Retail	419.3	441.9	-5.11%	411.9						
Services	2432.4	2491.5	-2.37%	2426.7						

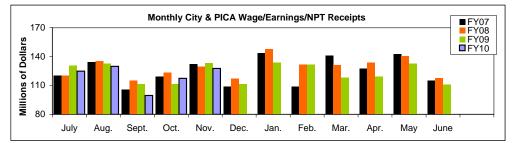
Unemployment Rate (%)				Source: BLS
	Oct-09	Sep-09	Change	Oct-08
City	11.0	10.8	2.63%	7.6
MSA	8.8	8.9	-1.79%	5.6
	Nov-09	Oct-09	Change	Nov-08
US	10.0	10.2	-2.94%	6.8

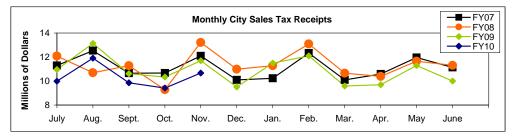
City Tax Collections (millions)	Source: Phila	Source: Philadelphia Revenue Commissioner						
Through 11/30/09	FY2010	FY2009	Change	% Budget				
Sales	\$51.84	\$56.72	-8.60%	37.2%				
Wage/NPT/Earnings (City & PICA)	\$599.40	\$651.92	-8.06%	39.7%				
Tot City & PICA Tax Revs	\$787.11	\$867.75	-9.29%	29.9%				

Office Availability Rate (%)	Source: CB Richard Ellis				
	3Q-09	3Q-08	Change	2Q-09	
Central Bus. District	14.4	11.8	22.03%	14.4	
Philadelphia Suburbs	22.5	18.0	25.00%	21.6	

Highlights: Activity in the region's manufacturing sector is expanding, according to firms polled for this month's Phila. Fed Business Outlook Survey. Indexes for general activity, new orders, and shipments all remained positive this month. Indicative of improvement, the overall level of employment and average work hours among reporting firms increased this month. Overall, expectations moderated somewhat in December, although the forecast for employment improved slightly. Nationally, in November, retail sales rose 1.3 percent. Prior months retail sales had been driven by the cash for clunkers program followed by the falloff after the program. A sampling of tax collections (in millions) and one-year percent changes through November '09 include: Real Estate: 25.7 (-22.1%); Realty Transfer: 48.4 (-20.4); Amusement: 9.2 (-8.7%); Parking: 29.8 (5.3).







Demographic And Socio-Econo	Demographic And Socio-Economic Snapshot 2006 (Population/Demographics - 2006 Census American Community Survey)											
	Population	Male	Female	White	Af. Amer.	Asian	Other	Hispanic	Pov. Rate	Under 18	Over 65	Md Hse Inc
City of Philadelphia	1,540,351 *	46.78%	53.21%	41.83%	44.33%	5.30%	8.50%	10.46%	25.10%	25.58%	13.00%	\$ 33,229

* Population from revised 2008 Census estimate. Demographic data from 2006 Census American Community Survey.