Wichita 2011 Review 2012 Forecast

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National/Global Influencing Factors

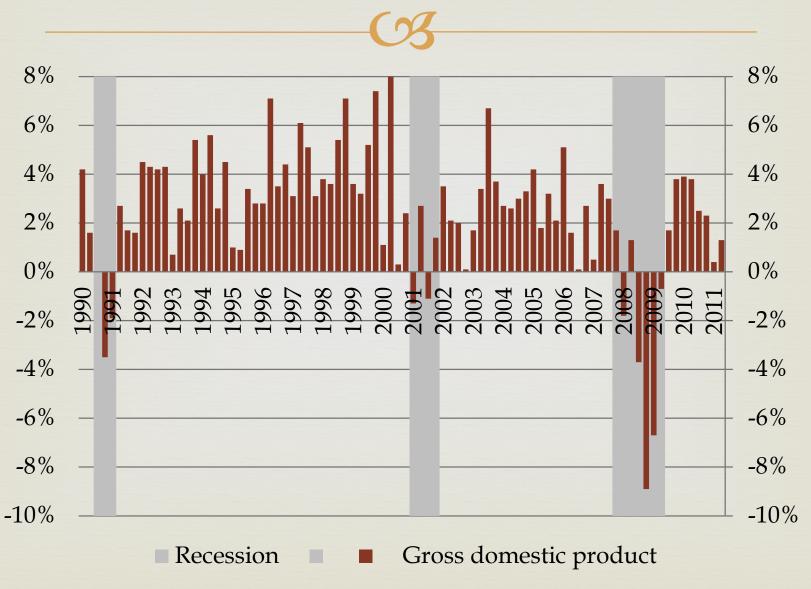


- □ Debt Ceiling
- **™** GDP debt ratio

- Real uncertainty
- **Corporate** profits
- **Consumer** confidence
- China inflationary pressures
- Standard & Poor's credit downgrade of the U.S.
- Stock market volatility
- **CRITICAL** GDP



U.S. Gross Domestic Product



Sources: Bureau of Economic Analysis, National Bureau of Economic Research

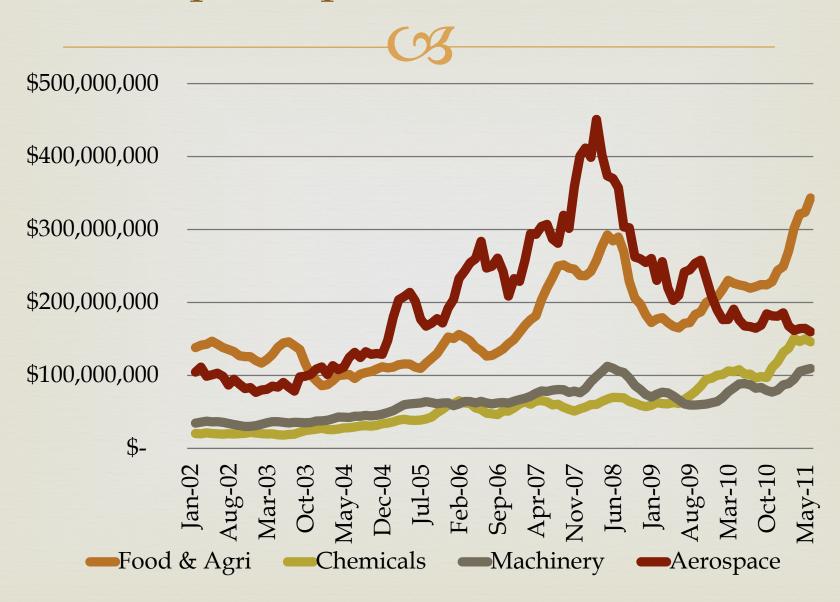
Kansas/Wichita Influencing factors



- Agriculture prices
- **Reserve** Energy
- **R** Investment
- Defense cuts/ Super Committee
- General Aviation − fast recovery
- **Wichita Exports**

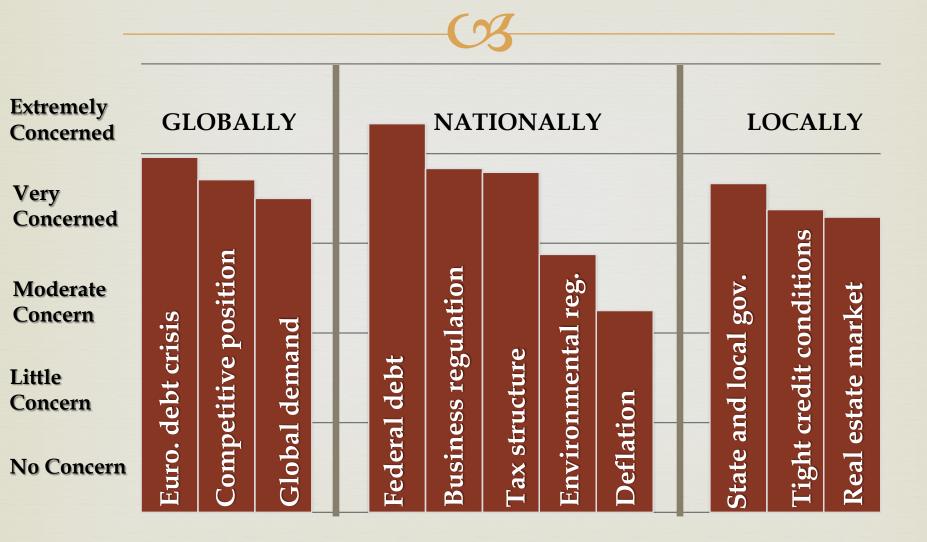


Top 5 Exports from Kansas



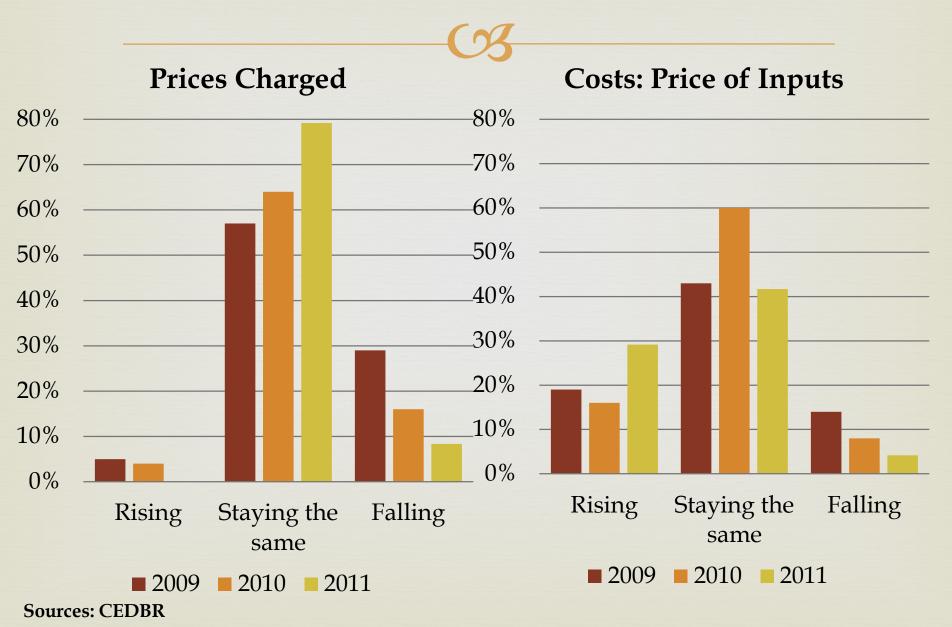
Sources: USA Trade Online

Wichita Business Concerns

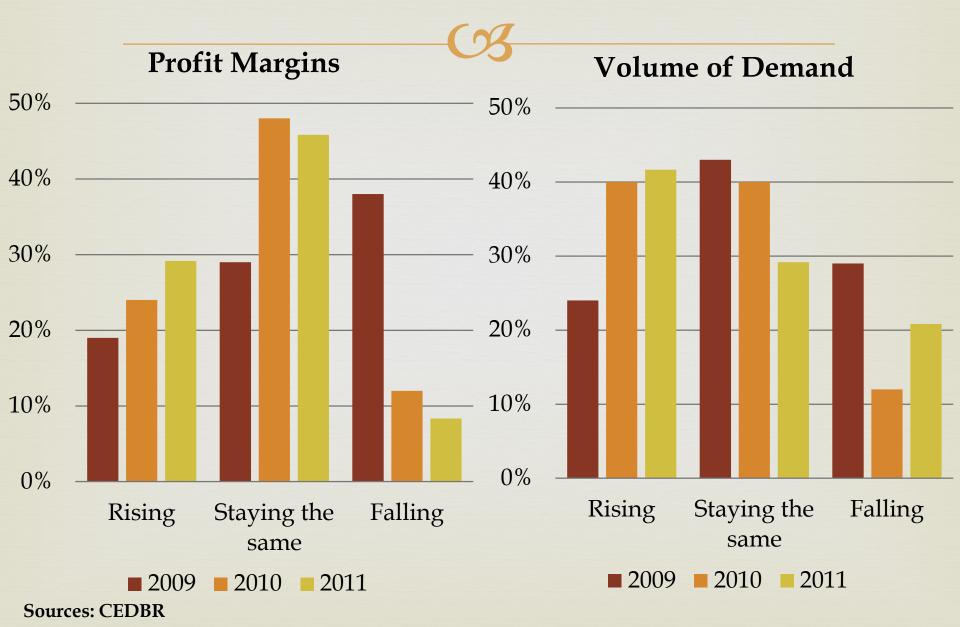


Sources: CEDBR

Existing Conditions



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Overall Business Expectations Next 3 to 6 Months

Costs

37% - costs will increase

Rrices Charged -

3 64% - prices will stay the same

329% expect increases

3 50% expect no changes

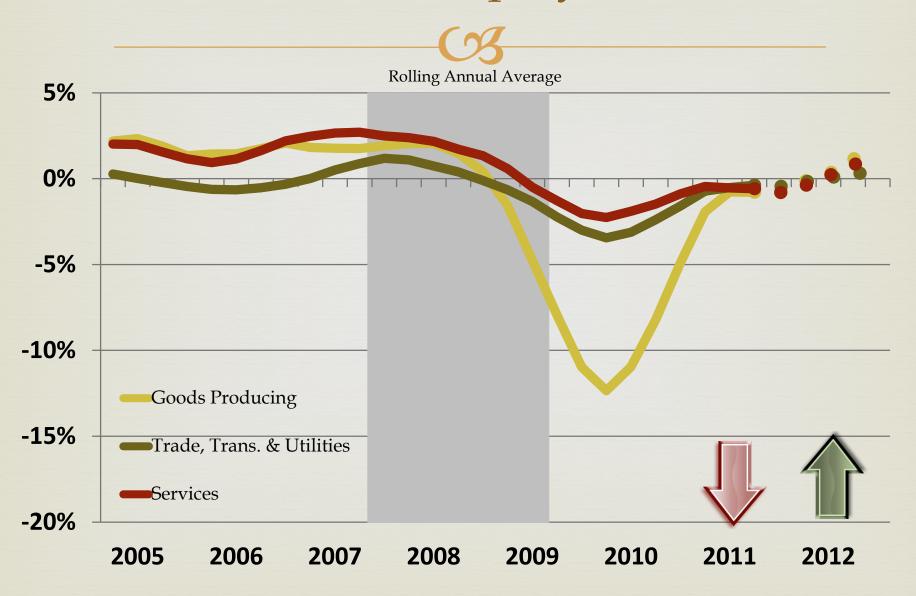


Reactors that are holding us back

- Uncertainty about future economic policies
- Low consumer and business confidence
- Sustained high unemployment
- The burden of new regulations

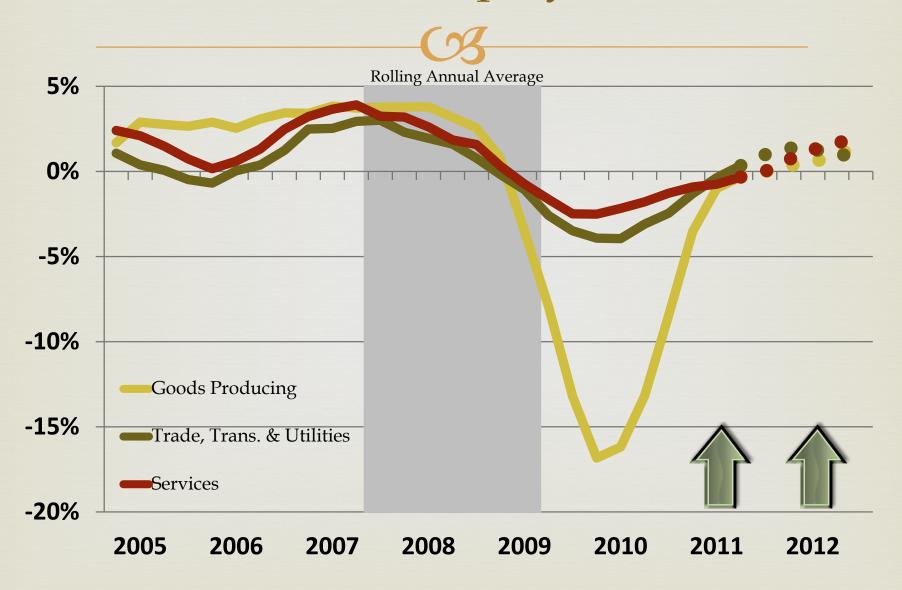
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Kansas Employment



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Wichita Employment



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Goods Production

- Aviation
 - Commercial strong
 - General "top half" should be good excess demand will go to back logs
 - Military mixed
- Chemicals strong
- Construction will remain fragile



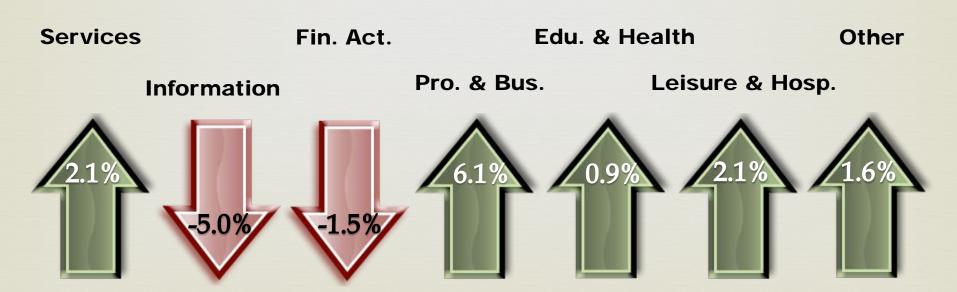
Trade, Transportation & Utilities

- Retail/Consumption-
 - Upper middle and high end consumer strong demand
 - Middle income consumer will remain cash strapped
- Wholesale will be down due to excess slack



Services

- Information following the national trend
- Financial Services following the national trend
- Healthcare following national trend
- Temporary agencies continued demand
- Education slowing as employment opportunities becomes available



General Expectations - Wichita

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- Global and National "uncertainties" within the market need to be alleviated before business confidence returns.
- Global **business profits** have to **remain high** before local moderate GDP growth.
- Acceleration in **manufacturing** (EMP 1.2%) will spill over to the **service and retail sectors**.
- Input costs will continue to rise in 2012, putting pressure on businesses that sell locally.
- Upper middle and high income households will increase consumption, but the slightest negative news will cause an abrupt decline in purchases.
- Wichita's **labor market** will continue to heal, but it will remain fragmented with a portion of the labor market **underemployed** in 2012.
- Employment is expected to **increase by 1.3**% (3,800) in 2012. This is a **welcomed relief**, but **minimal growth**.