Regional Economic Update

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Chart 1: Real Gross Domestic Product
Seasonally adjusted
Percent change from previous period, annualized

Chart 2: Contributions to Real GDP by Component in the Year Following a Recession
Average quarterly rate (at an annualized rate)

Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis; FOMC

Source: BEA
Chart 3: Retail Sales and Consumer Confidence

Source: Census Bureau and Consumer Confidence Board

Chart 4: Inflation

Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis
Chart 5: Nonfarm Employment (Excluding Federal Government)
Seasonally adjusted

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

Chart 6: Unemployment Rate
Seasonally adjusted

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

*August 2010 Data
Chart 7: Employment Growth by Industry, Mar. 2010 to Sep. 2010
Seasonally adjusted annualized rate

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

Chart 8: Net Percentage of Firms Expecting to Increase Employment

Source: Manpower Inc.
Chart 9: Manufacturing Activity
Seasonally adjusted; month-over-month

Sources: ISM, FRBKC Manufacturing Survey
Note: 10J index is computed on ISM basis (50 = zero change)

Chart 10: Tenth District Manufacturing Expectations
Seasonally adjusted; six months ahead

Source: FRBKC Manufacturing Survey
Chart 11: Number of Active Drilling Rigs

Chart 12: Crop Prices

Source: Baker-Hughes

Source: Commodity Research Bureau
Chart 13: U.S. Livestock Prices and Breakeven Costs

Source: USDA and Iowa State University

Chart 14: Tenth District Farmland Values

Source: FRBKC Ag Survey
Chart 15: Existing Home Sales
Seasonally adjusted

Index: Sep-05=100
Source: NAR and Local Realtor Reports

Chart 16: Value of Residential Construction Contracts
Seasonally adjusted

Index: Sep-05=100
Source: FW Dodge
Chart 19: Value of Commercial Construction Contracts

Seasonally adjusted, 3-mo. mov. av.

Index: Sep-05=100

Source: F.W. Dodge Inc.

Chart 20: Kansas City Commercial Vacancy Rates

Source: Torto-Wheaton Research