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City Council Retreat
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GDP Change

U.S. Economic Trends and Forecast
Unemployment Claims

U.S. INITIAL UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIMS: PREDICTOR OF RECESSION'S END

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Job Losses Have Moderated

U.S. PAYROLL JOB LOSSES HAVE MODERATED

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Purchasing Manager's Index

**PURCHASING MANAGER'S INDEX SHOWS GROWTH**

Rating of 50 Separates Growth and Contraction of Manufacturing Sector

![Graph showing Purchasing Manager's Index growth from 2007 to 2009](image)

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Consumer Sentiment

**U.S. CONSUMER SENTIMENT IS LOW**

![Graph showing U.S. Consumer Sentiment Index from 1981 to 2008](image)

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Leading Economic Indicators

The Shape of Things to Come?

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Virginia General Fund Revenue Forecast
Changes since Last Year

General Fund Revenue Forecast Changes Since Last Year

-20.0%  -15.0%  -10.0%  -5.0%   0.0%   5.0%   10.0%   15.0%   20.0%
FY90 FY91 FY92 FY93 FY94 FY95 FY96 FY97 FY98 FY99 FY10 est.

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Virginia General Fund Revenue Collections

Growth in Total General Fund Revenue Collections
FY09 Monthly and Year-to-Date

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Gross National Product
Gross Regional Product

US GDP and Washington GRP

Structure of Metro Economy

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Metro Area Job Growth

Annual Change in Jobs
Washington Metro Area
1991 - 2008

Source: H-8 March 29th Benchmark, CTRU/Contact for Regional Analysis

Metro Area Job Change

Annual Job Change
Washington MSA

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Conclusions

• Consensus on the end of the recession
• No consensus on timing and strength of the recovery
• Washington, DC region stable; growth to return
• Federal decision dependent
• State and municipal tax revenues will lag recovery