# Outlook for U.S. Manufacturing and the Automotive Industry 

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## Fourth quarter GDP expanded at a fast pace with contributions largely coming from inventories, consumption and net exports

## Contributions to real GDP growth in Q4:2009



## The inventory to GDP ratio has fallen to record low readings



## Industrial output fell quite sharply during the recession, but has risen strongly over the past seven months

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Industrial production - manufacturing
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## The downturn in manufacturing was the deepest and close to the longest decline over the past 50 years

## Industrial production-manufacturing



## Manufacturing capacity utilization fell to the lowest level in more than 70 years

Capacity utilization - manufacturing
percent


## Supply managers' composite index has moved above 50

Purchasing managers' index - composite
net percent reporting increases


## Industrial production is forecast to rise at a solid pace through the end of 2011



## Manufacturing capacity has been falling at the fastest pace over the past 60 years

Capacity - manufacturing
percent change from a year


## Before the start of the recession, output in the U.S. was at a record high, more than $700 \%$ higher than just after World War II



## Productivity growth is very strong

Nonfarm business productivity


## While more cyclical, profits in manufacturing have out-performed returns in nonfinancial corporate businesses

Profits as a percent of value added
percent


## Light vehicle sales rose during the 1990 s

Light vehicle sales
millions of units (saar)


## The best selling years for light vehicles were 1999-2007, but with no growth

Light vehicle sales
millions of units (saar)


## Beginning in 2008, light vehicle sales collapsed, with 2009 sales off 21\%

Light vehicle sales
millions of units (saar)


## Yet, light vehicle production was cut back by 34\%

Light vehicle production
millions of units (saar)


## Inventories for car and light trucks are below desired levels



## Industrial production for light vehicles surged in January



## Real oil prices have been rising through most of last decade, only falling back during the Great Recession

Real West Texas Intermediate oil price
dollars per barrel. 2009 dollars


## Light truck market share has been falling since August 2004

Light truck share of light vehicle market sales
percent


## Increases in new domestic production share has offset losses in Detroit-3 market share



## Prior to Spyker's deal to buy Saab from General Motors -

 there were rumors that IKEA might buy Saab

## The economic indicators are signaling cautious economic growth for light vehicle sales

Key Economic Indicators for the Automotive Industry

|  | $\begin{array}{r} \text { From 1990 } \\ \text { through 2007:Q4 } \end{array}$ | From the start of the current Recession | Latest Data ${ }^{2}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Real GDP <br> Average Q/Q\% @ AR | 3.0 | -0.8 | 5.7 |
| Real Consumption Average Q/ Q\% @ AR | 3.3 | -0.3 | 2.0 |
| Index of Consumer Sentiment Average Index | 91.2 | 65.4 | 74.4 |
| Employment Growth Average change in jobs (thous.) | 134.9 | -337.0 | -20.0 |
| Unemployment rate Average \% | 5.4 | 7.6 | 9.7 |
| Corporate Profits <br> Average Q/Q\% @ AR | 9.8 | -3.8 | 17.8 |
| ISM-Manufacturing Index Average Index | 51.7 | 46.4 | 58.4 |
| New and Existing Home Sales Average, Thousands | 5,222 | 4,884 | 5,132 |
| Real Oil Prices - West Texas Intermediate Average \$/bbl (2009 prices) | 37.55 | 80.21 | 77.05 |
| PCE Inflation <br> Average Y/ Y\% Change | 2.4 | 1.8 | 2.1 |
| Fed Funds Rate Average \% | 4.38 | 1.01 | 0.11 |

## Notes:

Beginning in January 2008 for monthly data or 2008:Q1 for quarterly data
Latest month or quarter

## Vehicle sales are expected to improve at a moderate pace



## General Motors market share was hurt by their bankruptcy and has slowly been improving

General Motors - light vehicle market share


## Chrysler's market share was also hurt by their bankruptcy but recovery has been more elusive

Chrysler - light vehicle market share


## Ford's market share has been rising over the past year and a half

Ford - light vehicle market share percent


Toyota's market share was rising during GMs and Chrysler's trouble but they ran into quality problems that have seriously impacted their market share in January


## So far, the Detroit Three have not benefitted from Toyota's troubles

Detroit Three - light vehicle market share percent


## Toyota's loss appears to be other foreign nameplate producer's gain

Foreign nameplates excluding Toyota - light vehicle market share percent


## Summary

-Growth in manufacturing output will be solid in 2010 and 2011 due to improving demand and rebuilding of depleted inventories
-Light vehicle sales are expected to improve moderately over the next two years
-Ford, the only domestic car company to not go through bankruptcy has been gaining market share

- It appears that Toyota's customers are more likely to replace a Toyota with another foreign nameplate vehicle


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