GDP Growth
adjusted for inflation

Another awful quarter, but probably the last really bad

Real Inventory Change

Businesses cut way back on their inventories.

Consumer Attitudes

Attitudes are no longer worsening.

Capital Goods Orders
non-defense

Businesses are not ordering new equipment.

Emerging countries are not doing too badly, but overall the world is in recession.

Our exports are plummeting on global weakness and some protectionism.

The Fed will need to tighten early next year.

I think we're past the bottom.

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Population Growth 2000-2008

- Bend: Exceptional growth
- Corvallis
- Eugene
- Medford
- Portland
- Salem: Good growth

Population Growth 2000-2008

- Bellingham
- Bremerton
- Longview
- Mount Vernon
- Olympia
- Seattle
- Spokane
- Tacoma
- Tri-Cities
- Wenatchee
- Yakima: Strength in outlying small metros

Wheat Prices
All Types, Oregon

It was great for farmers while it lasted.

Apple Prices
All fresh, Washington

Last year's bumper crop is hurting prices.