Net New Jobs

Initial Claims for Unemployment Insurance

No growth yet.

But layoffs are declining.

Retail Sales

ISM Manufacturing Index
formerly Purchasing Managers Index

Getting a recovery of retailers.

Manufacturers are expanding activity.

50 indicates stable economy.
U.S. & China Economies

China will become the world's largest economy. (more on this topic on the blog.)

Mortgage & Asset Backed Securities Issued

Foreign residential mortgages are the primary asset now.

Mortgage Rates

The Fed will stop buying mortgage-backed securities in March. Rates will rise a bit, but still be low by historical standards.

Stock Market

Those who panicked & sold in February are now sorry.
Oregon Manufacturing Jobs

Wash. Manufacturing Jobs

Lumber and Panel Prices

Boeing Orders & Deliveries

Wood still soft, and will be most of 2010

Orders less than deliveries is worrisome.