GDP Growth
adjusted for inflation

Another decent but not great quarter.

Consumer Spending

Chugging along despite higher payroll taxes.

Housing Index
National Assn of Home Builders/Wells Fargo

A big rebound, but not into "good" territory.

Exports

Once our top growth sector, now flat.
Drilling activity now means lower costs in the future, see my Forbes.com article on the topic.

Headed down by $20 over next few years.

Small business coming back. Is your large corporation serving this sector?

A year ago, I wrote, "Could be better if Europe does OK." Yep.
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