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U.S. Economic Outlook

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U.S. Economy in 2013

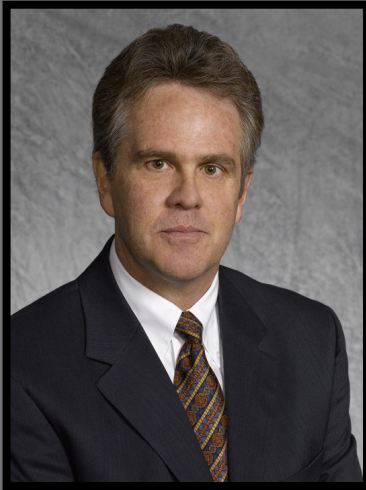
TIME SERIES FORECAST 2011 (%)

CONSENSUS (%)

Variable	2012 Avg. (%)	TIME SERIES FORECAST 2011 (%)				2013 Avg.	CONSENSUS (%)	
		Q 1	Q 2	Q 3	Q 4		Round Table	Blue Chip
Real GDP Growth	1.9	2.4	1.5	3.1	1.1	2.0	?	2.0
Inflation	2.0	2.1	1.9	2.2	2.1	2.1	?	1.8
Unempl. Rate	8.1	8.1	8.2	8.1	8.3	8.2	?	7.9
10-yr T-Bond	1.8	1.8	1.9	2.0	2.2	2.0	?	2.1

August Forecast

- The Good: Housing
- The Bad: labor markets and GDP growth
- The Ugly: Europe, Inflation, Debt
- But First: the economic model story



Managing Commodity Costs in the Glass Container Industry

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Thank you



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