



Winds of Change

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Economic Rise for 2H18

US & Global expansion

Leading Indicator Signals are Mixed

How to track the leading indicators

Business Cycle Decline in 2019

Some industries hit harder than others

Global Issues Impacting Businesses

Tariffs and Trade Inflation

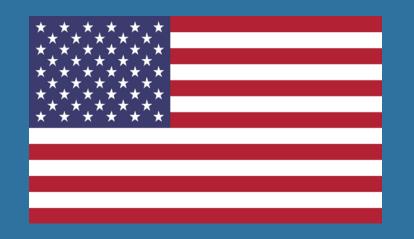


2017 Forecast Results If you heard ITR around two years ago...

	Duration	Accuracy
US GDP	24	99.7%
US Ind. Prod.	24	96.8%
Europe Ind. Prod.	27	99.9%
Canada Ind. Prod.	24	96.7%
China Ind. Prod.	30	97.8%
Retail Sales	25	98.0%
Housing	27	99.5%
Employment	23	99.5%

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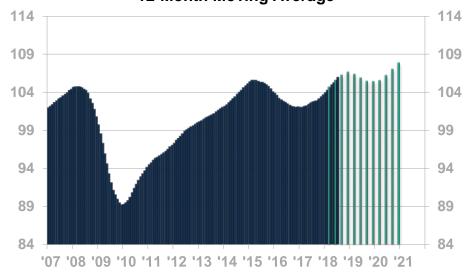


General Economic Outlook



US Industrial Production Index

US Industrial Production Index 12-Month Moving Average







Annual Trend: 105.6

Phase: B

Year-over-Year: 2.9%

ITR 🧐 Outlook 2018: 2.9%

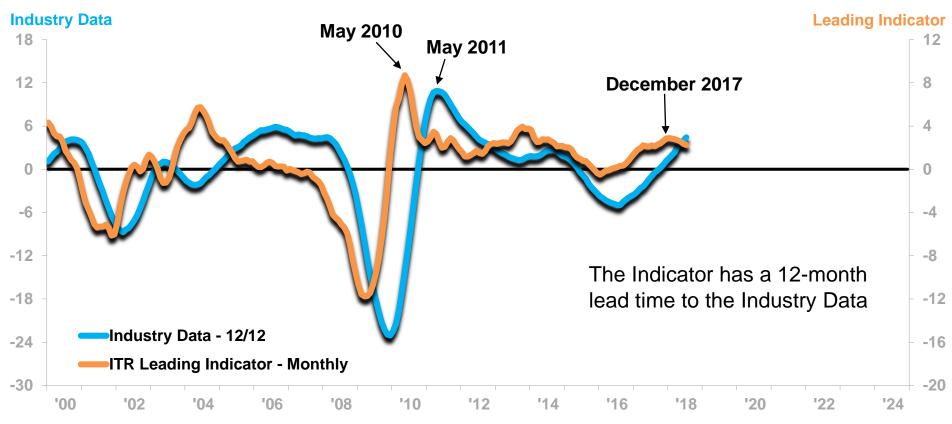
2019: -1.2%

2020: 2.3%



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Leading Indicators

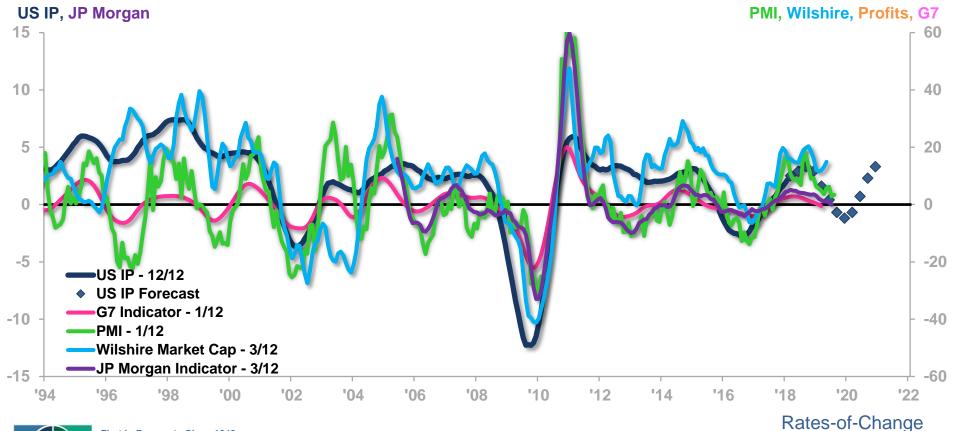


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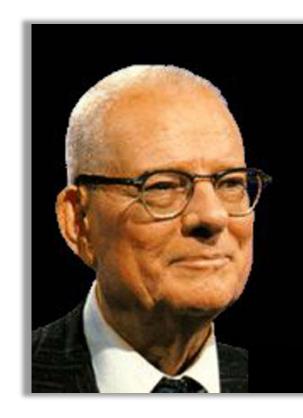
Rates-of-Change

Leading Indicator System as a Powerful Tool

US Industrial Production Index to Leading Indicators



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It is not enough to do your best; you must know what to do, and then do your best.

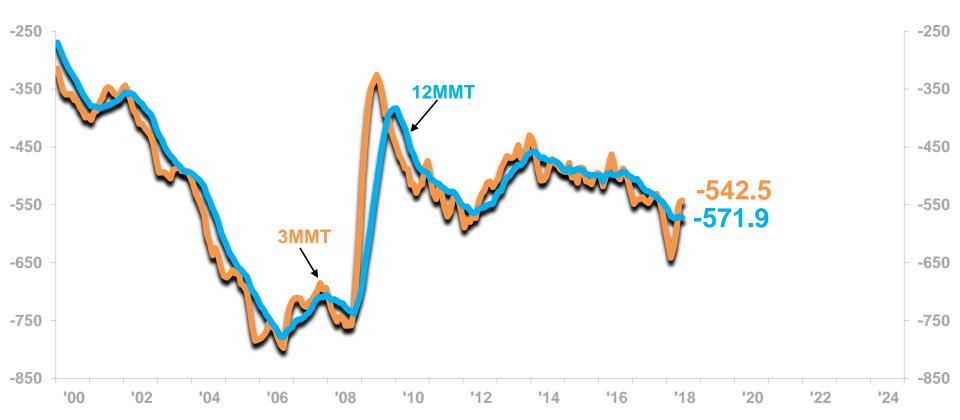
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Trade & Tariffs



US Trade Balance for Goods and Services

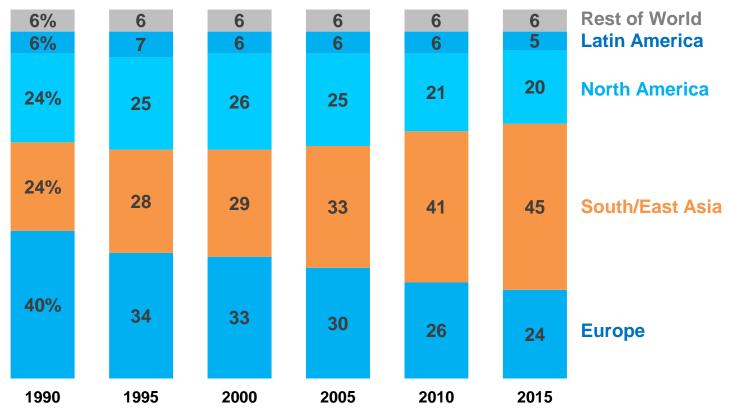


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Billions of dollars

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Manufacturing Increasingly Takes Place in Asia





Percent Share of Global Manufacturing, by Value Added

Source: Harvard Business Review

Leveling the Manufacturing Field Around the Globe

Years of 15% to 20% per annum labor cost increases in China without corresponding productivity increases

Cheap and readily available energy in North America Aggressive reengineering and automation

2004: 15 Percentage Point Advantage

The China Advantage?

2016: Only 1 Percent Point Difference



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Robotics Protectionism Politics & Economic Stability The China Advantage?

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Ease of Doing Business



NZ Singapore 2 Denmark Korea **Hong Kong 5** US UK Germany 21 Japan 35 Russia 36 China **75** 100 India **Brazil** 125

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Import Share Pre and Post the Great Recession

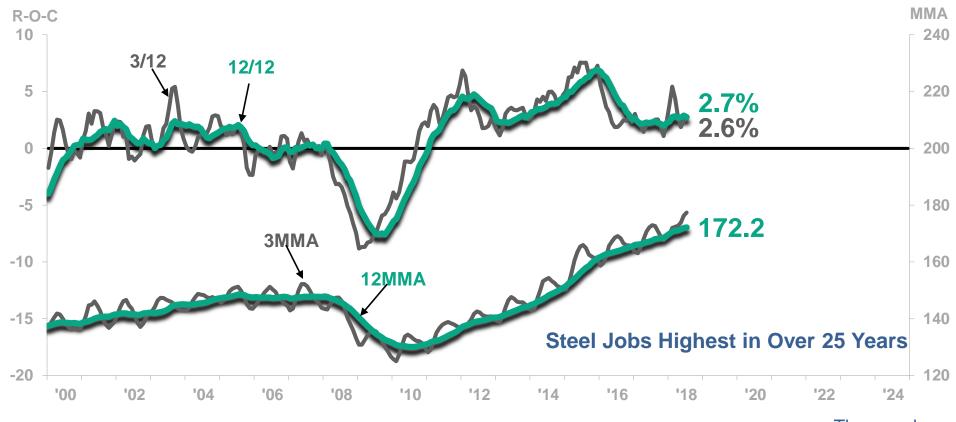




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Where Are We Going To Find the People?

US Steel Mill Employment

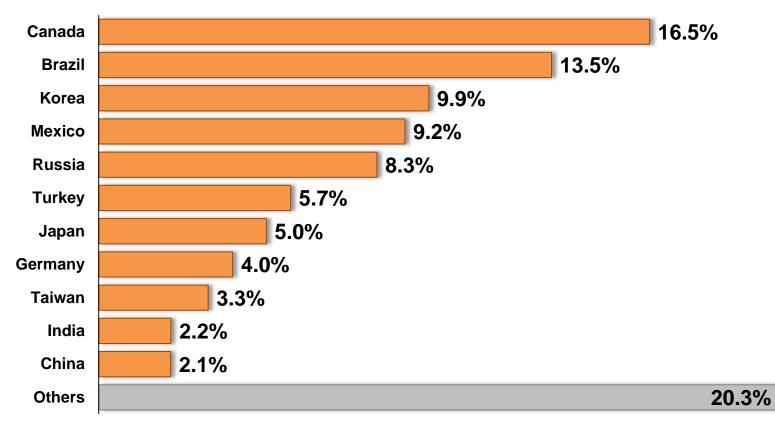


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Thousands

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Share of US Steel Imports by Country, 2017





Percent of Steel Imports

Source: Census Bureau

\$250 Billion of Goods Subject to Tariffs Aimed at China \$250

The US is China's Biggest Customer

Exports from the US to China stand at \$130.1bn, or 0.7% of US GDP.

Exports from China to the US are a record high \$436.9bn, or 3.8% of China GDP.

Slowing exports to the US will hurt their economy more than ours but it is not risk free.

Inflation

Downstream Production

Job & Profit Loss in Export Supply Chain

(to China)		
Industry Exports	<u>US</u>	<u>\$ bn</u>
Aerospace	\$	16.3
Soybeans	\$	12.4
Motor Vehicles	\$	10.0
Semiconductors	\$	6.9
Oil & Gas	\$	6.9
Waste & Scrap	\$	5.6
Ctrl Instruments	\$	5.6
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Synthetic Rubbers	\$	3.9
Pharmaceuticals	\$	3.4
Ind'l Machines	\$	3.3



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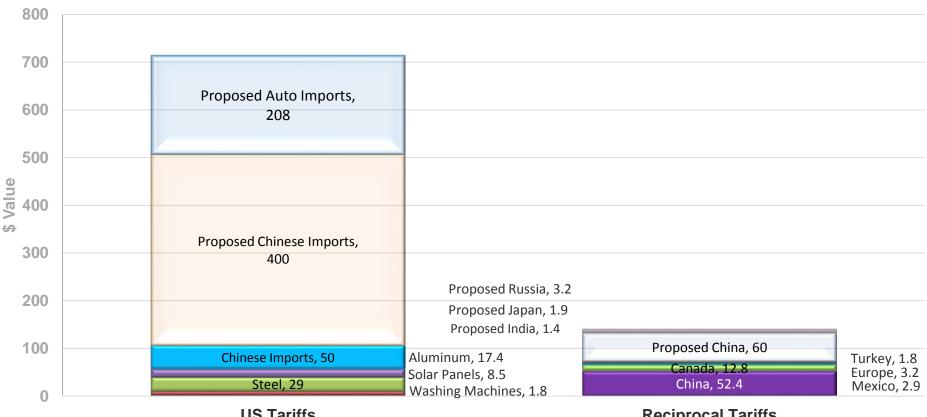
US Top Goods Export by State





Based on annual data, 2017

Tariffs

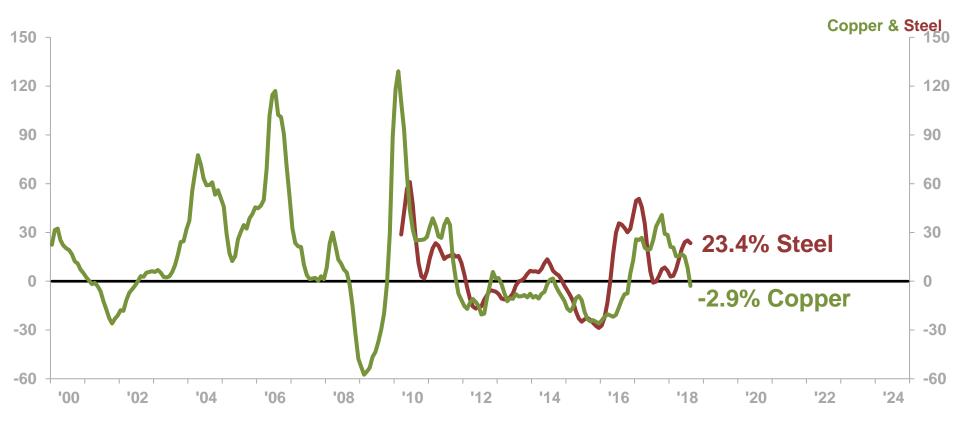


US Tariffs

Reciprocal Tariffs



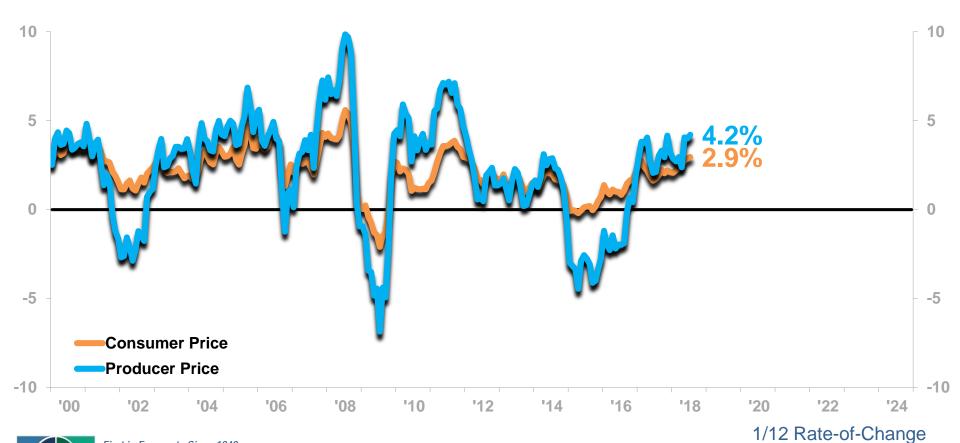
Commodity Prices





3/12 Rates-of-Change

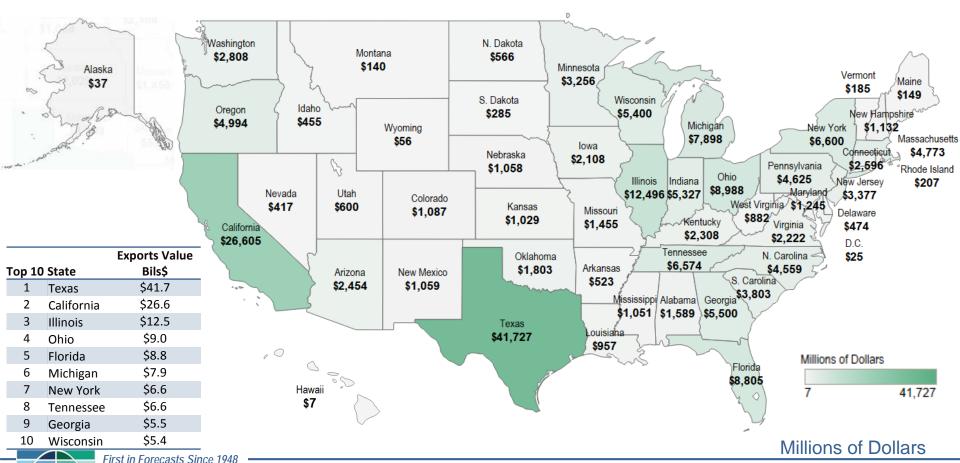
US Consumer Price Index to US Producer Price Index



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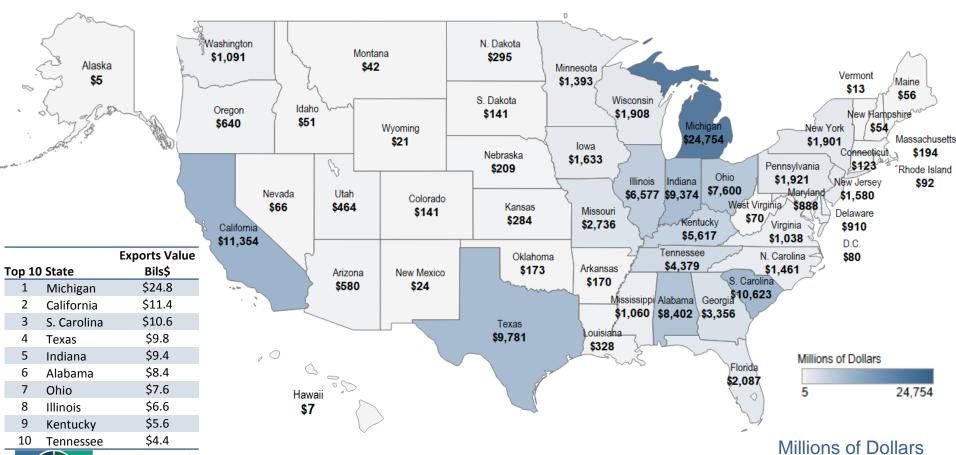
US Machinery Exports by State



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Source: US Census Bureau

US Vehicle Exports by State



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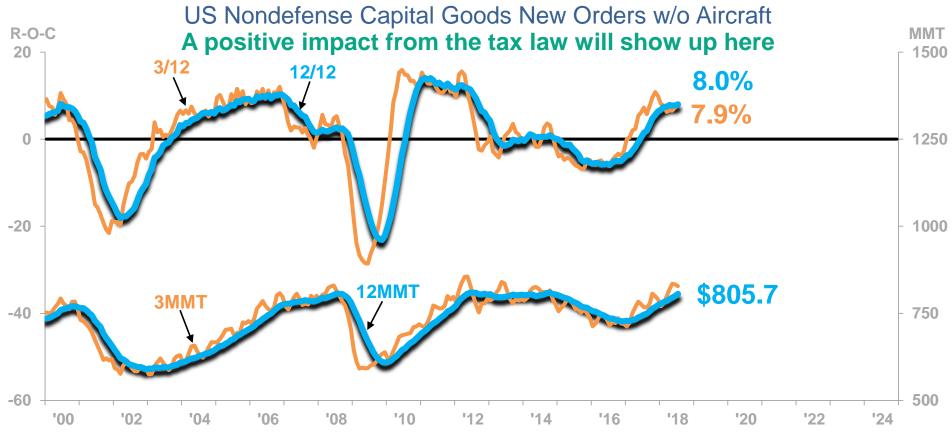
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Industry Drivers



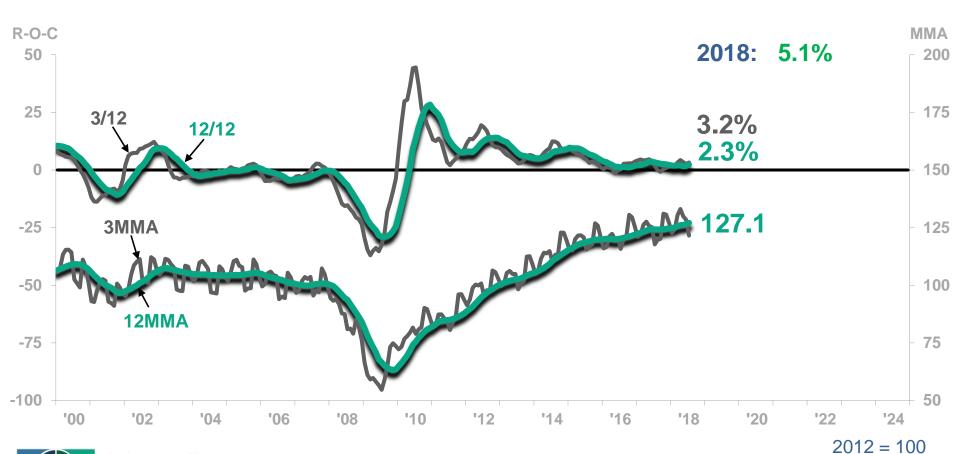
Favorable CAPEX Trend



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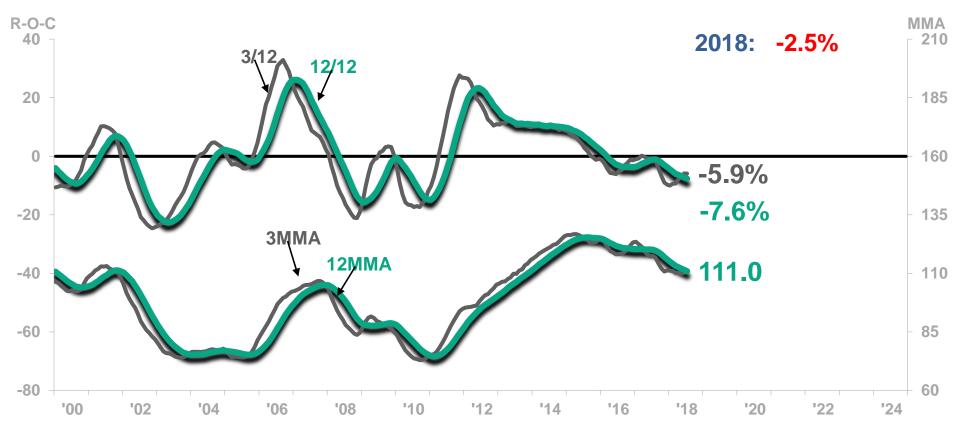
Billions of Dollars

US Motor Vehicle Parts Production Index



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US Civilian Aircraft Equipment Production

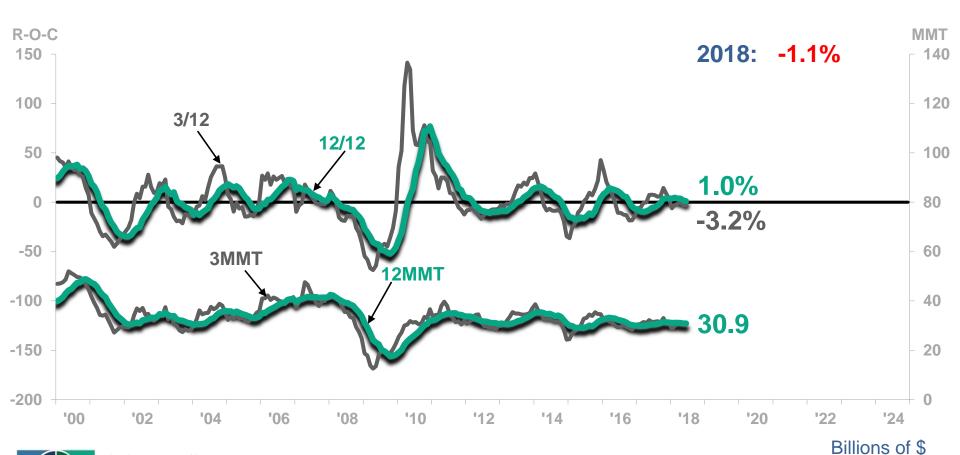


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2012 = 100

Source: FRB

US Industrial Machinery New Orders





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US Office Buildings Construction



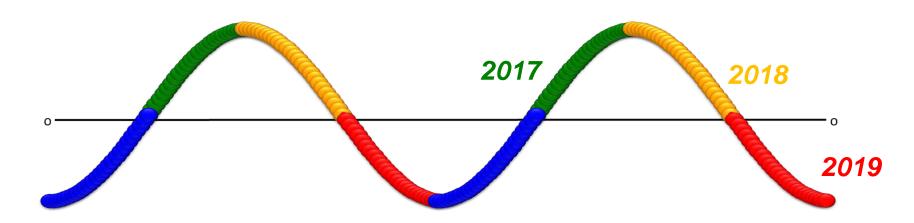


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Summary

Business Cycles



Phase A - Recovery

Annual Sales are **BELOW**<u>Year-Ago Levels</u>, but the
Rate-of-Decline is **SLOWING**.

Phase B – Accelerating Growth (Best)

Annual Sales are **ABOVE**<u>Year-Ago Levels</u>, and are **GROWING** at a **RAPID**Pace.

Phase C – Slowing Growth (Caution)

Annual Sales are **ABOVE**<u>Year-Ago Levels</u>, BUT the
Rate-of-Growth is **SLOWING**

Phase D - Recession

Annual Sales are **BELOW**<u>Year-Ago Levels</u>, and are **DECLINING** at a **RAPID**Pace.



Things to Pay Attention to in 2018 and Beyond



Strengthening Dollar and Interest Rates

Inflationary Pressures

Right-sizing the business for 2019 and beyond



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