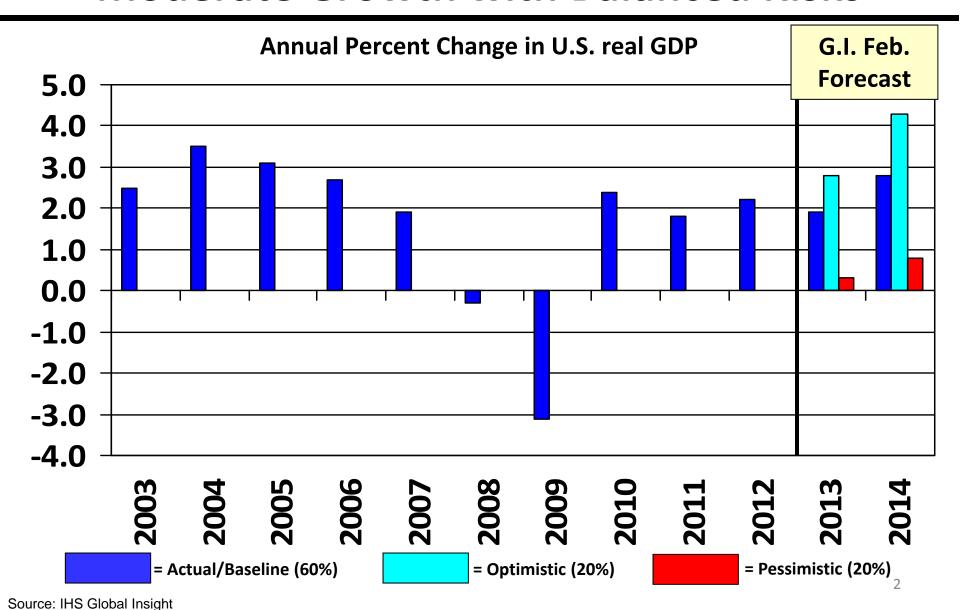
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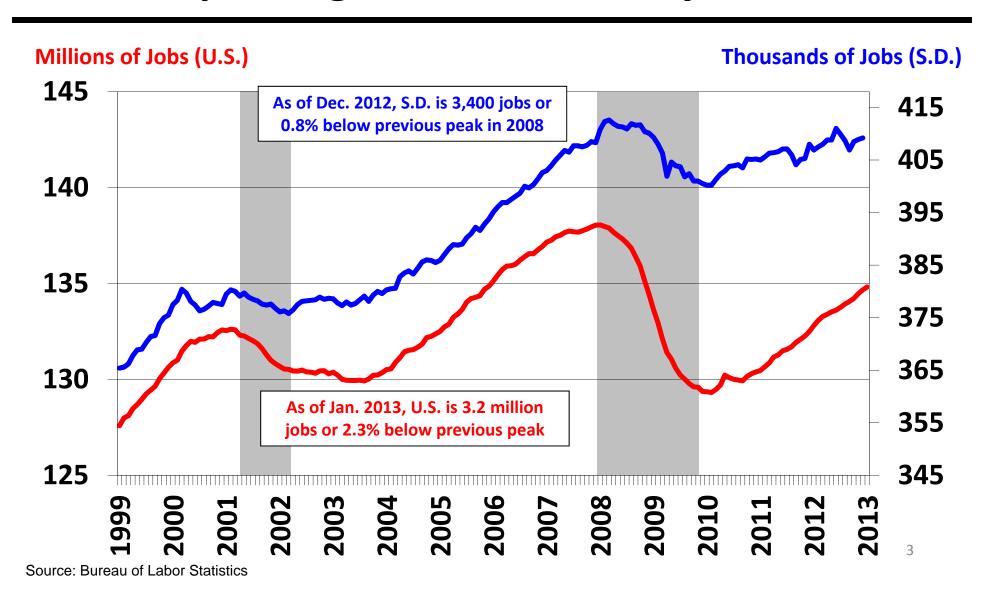


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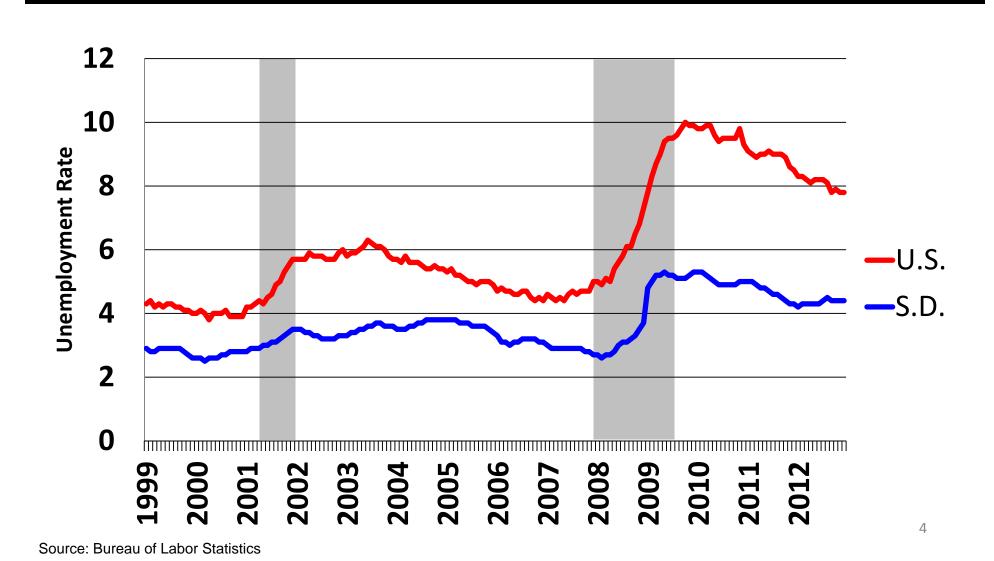
U.S. Economic Outlook: Moderate Growth with Balanced Risks



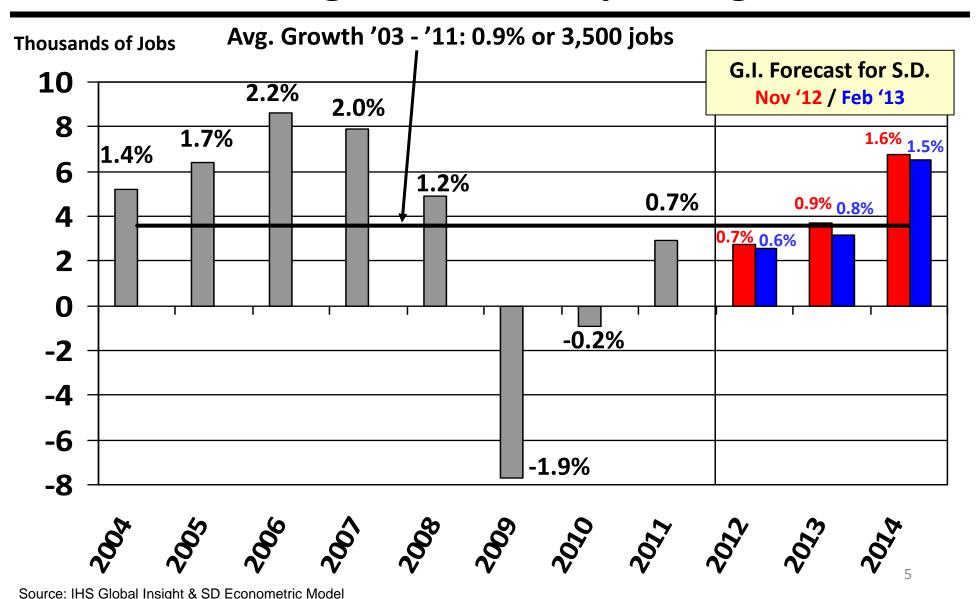
Monthly Nonfarm Employment Levels are improving, but still not fully recovered



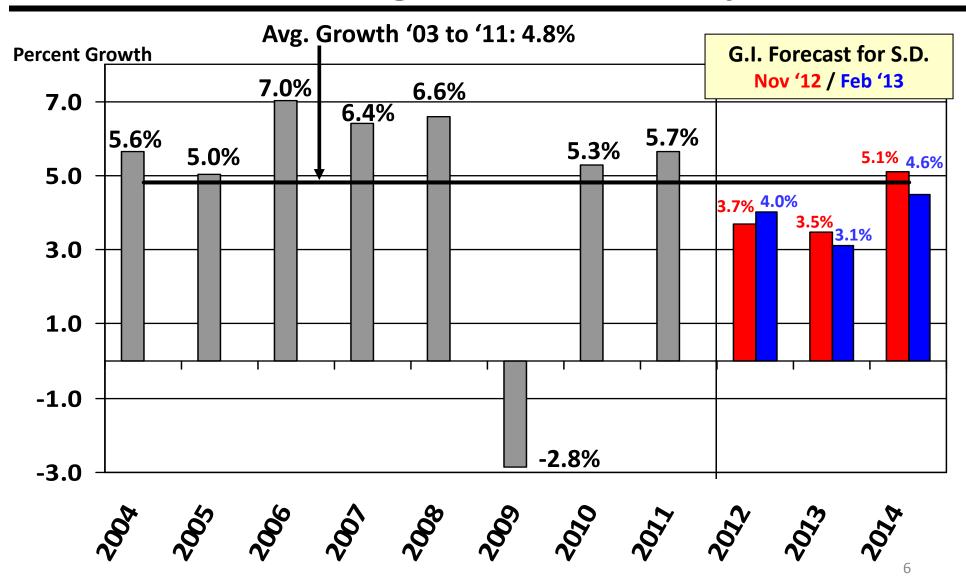
Unemployment Rates Continue to Decline Slowly



S.D. Nonfarm Employment Growth: Below Average in 2013, Improving in 2014



S.D. Nonfarm Income: Below Average Growth Anticipated



Summary/Conclusions (U.S.)

- Below average U.S. economic growth is expected to continue as uncertainties remain.
 - Consumers continue to deleverage and face headwinds from the payroll tax increase with tepid job growth.
 - Reductions in government spending along with uncertainties surrounding the national debt and budget continue to weigh on overall economic growth.
- Risk of recession (20%) stems from a fully implemented sequester and a much weaker global outlook.
 - Policy missteps in Washington D.C. combined with a Eurozone meltdown would adversely impact confidence, financial markets, and exports.

Summary/Conclusions (S.D.)

- S.D. economic growth looks to be moderate in 2013 with growth improving in 2014.
 - S.D. should reach previous peak employment in late 2013.
 - Moderate growth in income is expected over the forecast period.
- Assuming normal precipitation, the agriculture economy will be a positive aspect for the state's economy in 2013.
 - Crop insurance limited the impact from the 2012 drought.
 However, a multi-year drought is a negative risk for 2013.
- Recession risk factors stem mostly from beyond the state's border.