Table 1: Rural Mainstreet Economy Last 2 Months & One Year Ago: (index > 50 indicates expansion)						
	Dec. 2023	Nov. 2024	Dec. 2024			
Area Economic Index	41.7	50.2	39.6			
Loan Volume	80.9	58.9	69.6			
Checking Deposits	41.4	59.3	47.8			
Certificates of Deposit and Savings Instruments	65.5	53.7	50.1			
Farmland Prices	67.2	44.4	41.3			
Farm Equipment Sales	49.5	14.6	14.3			
Home Sales	31.0	42.6	43.5			
Hiring	49.1	50.0	45.7			
Retail Business	46.6	42.0	52.1			
Confidence Index (area economy six months out)	43.3	46.4	37.5			

Table 2: The Rural Mainstreet Economy, December 2024						
	Percentage of Bankers Reporting					
	Lower by -1% to -4%	Unchanged	Higher by 1% to 4%	Higher by 5% to 10%		
Your bank loan delinquency rates over the past six months are:	4.5%	65.2%	26.1%	4.2%		
	Percentage of Bankers Reporting					
	Already in Recession	No Re	cession but w Growth	Modest Recession		
What is your U.S. recession assessment for 2025?	4.4% 74.8%		74.8%	20.8%		
	Percentage of Bankers Reporting					
	No Change in Credit Standards		Tightened Credit Standards			
Compared to this time last year, which of the following best describes farm loan credit standards at your bank:	78.3%		21.7%			

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