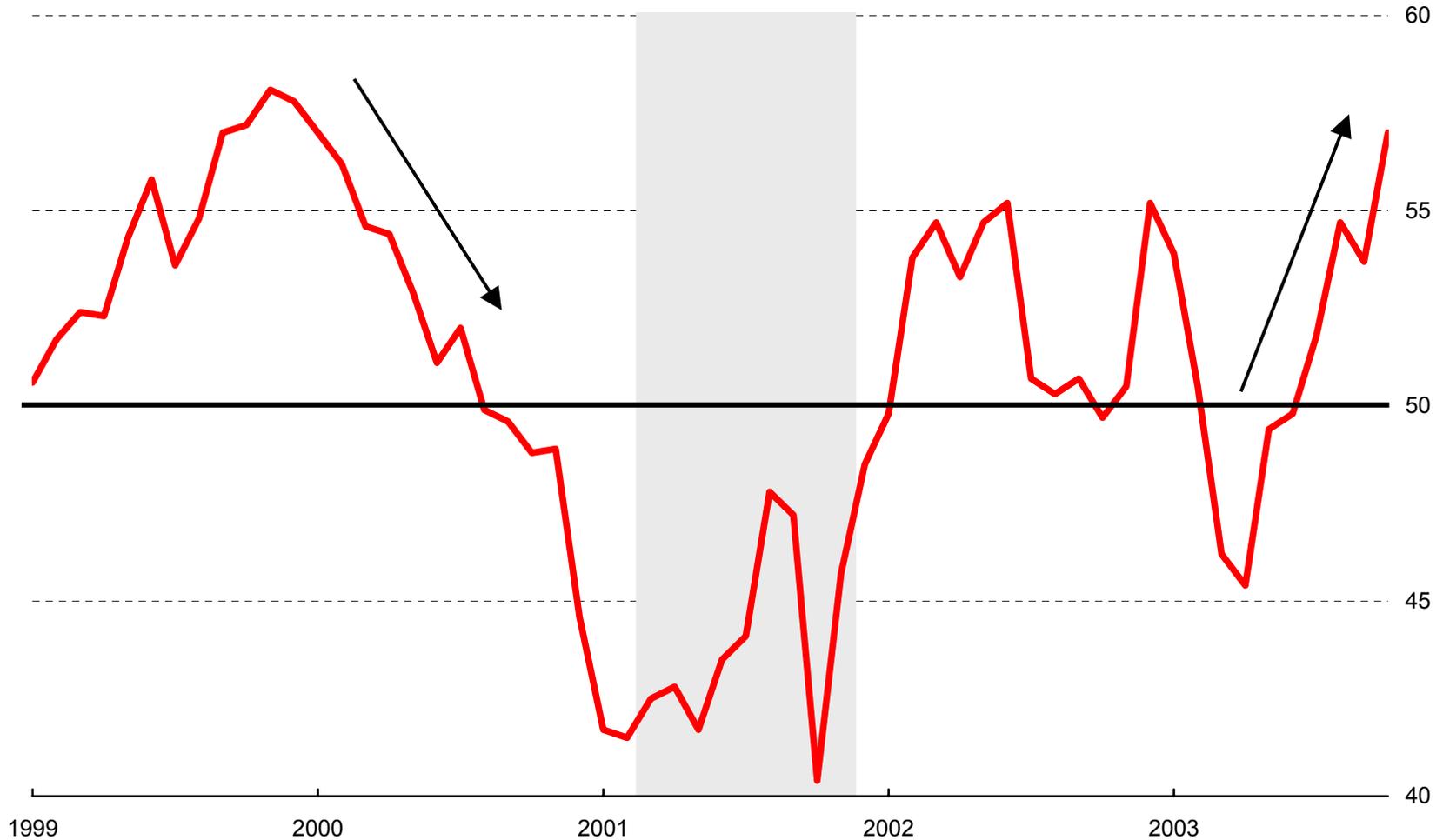


After Precipitous Drop in 2000, Manufacturing Picks Up

(ISM: PMI composite index, 50+ = Economic Expansion)



Source: Institute for Supply Management

Gray bar denotes recessionary period