



Economic Forecast: October 2026

	----- 2025 -----				----- 2026 -----				----- 2027 -----				2025	2026	2027
	25.1	25.2	25.3	25.4	26.1	26.2	26.3	26.4	27.1	27.2	27.3	27.4			
Percent Change: Quarterly SAAR, Annual Q4/Q4															
Gross Domestic Product	0.1	4.0	3.9	0.2	2.5	2.2	3.8	1.9	2.5	2.7	2.6	2.4	2.0	2.6	2.5
Personal Consumption Expenditures (PCE)	0.6	2.1	3.7	1.9	0.7	3.8	3.4	2.1	2.3	2.3	2.4	2.5	2.1	2.5	2.4
Residential Fixed Investment	-2.7	-4.3	-6.3	-1.8	-7.6	2.8	-1.1	-4.0	3.1	-0.2	3.3	3.8	-3.8	-2.5	2.5
Business Fixed Investment	10.7	7.6	3.8	2.1	9.9	9.0	16.3	6.3	6.5	6.0	4.6	3.0	6.0	10.3	5.0
Government Consumption & Investment	-0.6	2.3	1.6	-5.7	4.7	-0.1	2.0	1.7	1.0	0.5	0.8	0.8	-0.6	2.1	0.8
Billions of Chained 2017\$															
Net Exports	-1353	-1052	-991	-1006	-1019	-1099	-1325	-1340	-1370	-1395	-1410	-1416	-1101	-1196	-1398
Change in Business Inventories	154	-35	-46	-46	-35	-63	70	46	52	79	89	93	7	5	78
Percent Change: Quarterly YoY, Annual Q4/Q4															
Consumer Price Index	2.7	2.5	2.9	2.7	2.7	3.8	3.4	3.7	3.4	2.3	2.3	1.9	2.7	3.7	1.9
Core Consumer Price Index (ex. Food & Energy)	3.1	2.8	3.1	2.7	2.5	2.7	2.4	2.6	2.6	2.6	2.6	2.6	2.7	2.6	2.6
PCE Chain Price Index	2.5	2.5	2.7	2.7	3.0	3.6	3.4	3.6	3.1	2.4	2.4	2.1	2.7	3.6	2.1
Core PCE Chain Price Index (ex. Food & Energy)	2.7	2.8	2.8	2.8	3.0	3.1	3.0	3.1	2.7	2.5	2.5	2.4	2.8	3.1	2.4
Change: Quarterly Avg Mo. Chg, Thous., Annual Mil.															
Employment, Total Nonfarm	20	34	23	-39	73	81	51	58	55	64	70	74	0.1	0.8	0.8
Percent Change: Q4/Q4													0.2	0.5	0.5
Percent: Quarterly Avg, Annual Avg															
Unemployment Rate	4.1	4.2	4.3	4.5	4.3	4.3	4.1	4.2	4.2	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.2	4.3
Federal Funds Rate	4.3	4.3	4.3	3.9	3.6	3.6	3.7	4.0	4.3	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.2	3.7	4.4
10-Year Treasury Note Yield	4.5	4.4	4.3	4.1	4.2	4.4	4.8	5.3	5.3	5.3	5.3	5.3	4.3	4.7	5.3

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Note: Interest rate forecasts are based on rates from September 30, 2026; all other forecasts are based on the date above.

Note: Unshaded areas denote actuals. Shaded areas denote forecasts.

Sources: Actuals: Bureau of Economic Analysis, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Federal Reserve Board. Forecasts: Fannie Mae Economic and Strategic Research

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