

Revised November 2020 Economic Forecast

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We have updated our preliminary November economic forecast, which was released on October 28, 2020. The revised economic forecast reflects a more recent national economic forecast and another month of Washington employment data. This updated economic forecast will form the basis of the November 2020 revenue forecast scheduled for adoption on October 18, 2020.

The following tables compare the revised November economic forecast with the preliminary November forecast as well as with the forecast adopted in September 2020.

U.S. Forecast Comparison				
	2020Q3	2020Q4	2021Q1	2021Q2
Real GDP (Billions of 2012 Doll	ars)			
November Forecast, Final	18,584	18,662	18,857	19,047
Percent Change	33.1%	1.7%	4.3%	4.1%
November Forecast, Preliminary	18,415	18,585	18,789	18,978
Percent Change	28.3%	3.7%	4.5%	4.1%
Real Consumption (Billions of 2	012 Dollar	s)		
November Forecast, Final	12,917	12,997	13,120	13,257
Percent Change	40.7%	2.5%	3.8%	4.2%
November Forecast, Preliminary	12,774	12,892	13,017	13,153
Percent Change	34.6%	3.7%	3.9%	4.3%
PCE Price Index (2012=100)				
November Forecast, Final	111.4	112.0	112.5	113.1
Percent Change	3.7%	2.1%	1.6%	2.4%
November Forecast, Preliminary	111.7	112.1	112.7	113.3
Percent Change	4.5%	1.4%	2.3%	2.2%
Real Personal Income (Billions	of 2012 Do	ollars)		
November Forecast, Final	17,817	17,219	17,039	17,068
Percent Change	-13.4%	-12.8%	-4.1%	0.7%
November Forecast, Preliminary	17,612	18,358	16,937	17,016
Percent Change	-17.3%	18.1%	-27.6%	1.9%
Nonfarm Payroll Employment (Millions)			
November Forecast, Final	140.8	143.0	145.6	147.1
Percent Change	22.9%	6.3%	7.5%	4.2%
November Forecast, Preliminary	140.8	143.8	145.5	146.7
Percent Change	22.9%	8.7%	4.9%	3.2%
Unemployment Rate (Percent o	f Labor Fo	ce)		
November Forecast, Final	8.8	7.0	6.0	5.8
November Forecast, Preliminary	8.8	7.6	6.9	6.7
Oil Price, Refiner's Acquisition				
November Forecast, Final	40.9	39.1	40.8	41.6
November Forecast, Preliminary	40.0	36.9	37.2	38.1
30 Year Fixed Mortgage Rate (F	Percent, av	erage)		
November Forecast, Final	2.9	2.8	3.0	3.0
November Forecast, Preliminary	3.0	3.0	3.1	3.1
3 Month T-Bill Rate (Percent, a	verage)			
November Forecast, Final	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
November Forecast, Preliminary	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1
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Real GDP (Billions of 2012 Dol	lars)			
November Forecast	18,584	18,662	18,857	19,047
Percent Change	33.1%	1.7%	4.3%	4.1%
September Forecast	18,183	18,384	18,612	18,820
Percent Change	22.5%	4.5%	5.1%	4.5%
Real Consumption (Billions of	2012 Dollar	s)		
November Forecast	12,917	12,997	13,120	13,257
Percent Change	40.7%	2.5%	3.8%	4.2%
September Forecast	12,603	12,750	12,886	13,026
Percent Change	29.3%	4.7%	4.3%	4.4%
PCE Price Index (2012=100)				
November Forecast	111.4	112.0	112.5	113.1
Percent Change	3.7%	2.1%	1.6%	2.4%
September Forecast	111.3	111.7	112.3	112.9
Percent Change	3.5%	1.1%	2.3%	2.1%
Real Personal Income (Billions	of 2012 Do	ollars)		
November Forecast	17,817	17,219	17,039	17,068
Percent Change	-13.4%	-12.8%	-4.1%	0.7%
September Forecast	17,472	18,196	16,804	16,936
Percent Change	-20.1%	17.6%	-27.3%	3.2%
Nonfarm Payroll Employment	(Millions)			
November Forecast	140.8	143.0	145.6	147.1
Percent Change	22.9%	6.3%	7.5%	4.2%
September Forecast	140.3	143.4	145.3	146.6
Percent Change	21.3%	9.0%	5.6%	3.6%
Unemployment Rate (Percent	of Labor Foi	rce)		
November Forecast	8.8 9.3	7.0	6.0 7.1	5.8
September Forecast		8.0	7.1	6.7
Oil Price, Refiner's Acquisition		20.4	40.0	44.6
November Forecast September Forecast	40.9 40.0	39.1 39.4	40.8 40.5	41.6 41.6
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30 Year Fixed Mortgage Rate (•		2.0	2.0
November Forecast September Forecast	2.9 3.0	2.8 3.0	3.0 3.1	3.0
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3 Month T-Bill Rate (Percent, a				
November Forecast	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
September Forecast	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1

	2020Q3	2020Q4	2021Q1	2021Q2
Real Personal Income (Billions	of 2012 Do	llars)		
November Forecast, Final	481.2	466.9	461.3	461.0
Percent Change	-14.0%	-11.4%	-4.8%	-0.2%
November Forecast, Preliminary	476.9	493.6	459.2	460.3
Percent Change	-17.0%	14.7%	-25.1%	1.0%
Personal Income (Billions of De	ollars)			
November Forecast, Final	536.3	523.0	518.8	521.5
Percent Change	-10.8%	-9.5%	-3.2%	2.1%
November Forecast, Preliminary	532.5	553.1	517.5	521.6
Percent Change	-13.3%	16.4%	-23.3%	3.2%
Disposable Personal Income (E	Billions of D	ollars)		
November Forecast, Final	483.1	468.5	464.2	466.8
Percent Change	-14.8%	-11.5%	-3.6%	2.2%
November Forecast, Preliminary	479.9	500.3	464.3	468.2
Percent Change	-17.0%	18.1%	-25.9%	3.5%
Nonfarm Payroll Employment (Thousands)		
November Forecast, Final	3262	3313	3372	3411
Percent Change	17.0%	6.5%	7.3%	4.8%
November Forecast, Preliminary	3261	3317	3362	3395
Percent Change	17.0%	7.0%	5.5%	3.9%
Unemployment Rate (Percent o	of Labor For	ce)		
November Forecast, Final	8.8	6.8	6.6	6.5
November Forecast, Preliminary	8.8	7.2	7.5	7.2
Manufacturing Employment (Tl	housands)			
November Forecast, Final	270.2	268.5	266.7	265.0
Percent Change	0.8%	-2.5%	-2.7%	-2.5%
November Forecast, Preliminary	270.4	267.5	262.4	261.5
Percent Change	1.0%	-4.2%	-7.3%	-1.5%
Construction Employment (Tho	usands)			
November Forecast, Final	211.7	217.4	211.8	210.2
Percent Change	25.8%	11.3%	-10.0%	-2.8%
November Forecast, Preliminary	211.5	212.1	209.1	207.2
Percent Change	25.5%	1.1%	-5.5%	-3.7%
Housing Permits (Thousands)				
November Forecast, Final	43.7	45.5	46.3	45.9
Percent Change	37.7%	17.9%	6.5%	-3.1%
November Forecast, Preliminary	43.7	45.5	45.8	44.9
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	2020Q3	2020Q4	2021Q1	2021Q2
Real Personal Income (Bill	lions of 2012 Do	ollars)		
November Forecast	481.2	466.9	461.3	461.0
Percent Change	-14.0%	-11.4%	-4.8%	-0.2%
September Forecast	472.3	489.9	457.0	460.7
Percent Change	-17.5%	15.8%	-24.3%	3.3%
Personal Income (Billions	of Dollars)			
November Forecast	536.3	523.0	518.8	521.5
Percent Change	-10.8%	-9.5%	-3.2%	2.1%
September Forecast	525.9	547.1	513.3	520.1
Percent Change	-14.5%	17.1%	-22.5%	5.5%
Disposable Personal Incon	ne (Billions of D	ollars)		
November Forecast	483.1	468.5	464.2	466.8
Percent Change	-14.8%	-11.5%	-3.6%	2.2%
September Forecast	473.5	494.7	459.2	465.3
Percent Change	-18.5%	19.1%	-25.8%	5.4%
Nonfarm Payroll Employme	ent (Thousands)		
November Forecast	3262	3313	3372	3411
Percent Change	17.0%	6.5%	7.3%	4.8%
September Forecast	3267	3340	3394	3433
Percent Change	23.8%	9.3%	6.7%	4.6%
Unemployment Rate (Perc	ent of Labor Fo	rce)		
November Forecast	8.8	6.8	6.6	6.5
September Forecast	9.1	8.0	7.1	6.7
Manufacturing Employmen	it (Thousands)			
November Forecast	270.2	268.5	266.7	265.0
Percent Change	0.8%	-2.5%	-2.7%	-2.5%
September Forecast	261.1	266.9	266.2	268.2
Percent Change	-0.7%	9.2%	-1.0%	3.1%
Construction Employment	(Thousands)			
November Forecast	211.7	217.4	211.8	210.2
Percent Change	25.8%	11.3%	-10.0%	-2.8%
September Forecast	196.1	205.0	204.6	202.9
Percent Change	40.7%	19.5%	-0.8%	-3.2%
Housing Permits (Thousan	ds)			
November Forecast	43.7	45.5	46.3	45.9
Percent Change	37.7%	17.9%	6.5%	-3.1%
September Forecast	41.0	45.5	44.8	44.4
Percent Change	6.5%	52.4%	-6.7%	-3.4%
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