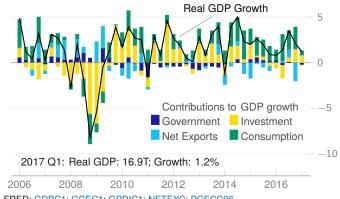
First quarter U.S. economic growth slowed from lower consumption spending growth, despite an improvement in exports. The unemployment rate is gradually nearing its long-run full-capacity level. Inflation is below two percent in both the core CPI and the full index, with no expected acceleration. Elevated consumer confidence and P/E ratios, with near long-term low equity market volatility, show an extraordinary level of optimism. The yield curve for government debt has flattened while the dollar remains strong.

# **Economic Growth and Employment**

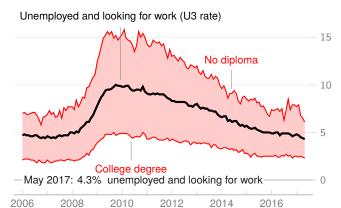
Real Gross Domestic Product (GDP)

(Quarterly percent change, seasonally-adjusted annual rate)



FRED: GDPC1; GCEC1; GPDIC1; NETEXC; PCECC96

Civilian unemployment rate (percent)

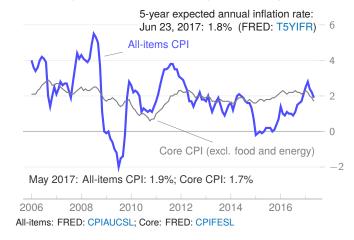


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FRED: CPI Indexes

### **Inflation and Prices**

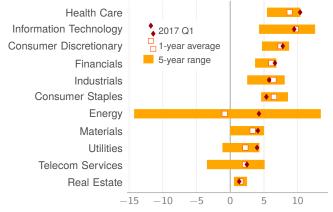
Consumer price index (CPI) (annual percent change)



## CPI components (annual percent change) Energy Housing Healthcare Other goods & serv Transportation Food & Beverage Recreation 10-year average May 2017 Apparel Apr 2017 Education & Comm. 10

## Markets, Interest Rates, and Other Indicators

S&P 500 Reported Earnings per Share by Industry



S&P Dow Jones Indices: S&P 500 growth forecasts (.xls)

#### Recent market developments and other key indicators

	(	one month	one year	as of:
S&P 500 index	2439.07	▲ 1.0%	▲ 19.7%	2017-06-26
CBOE volatility index (VIX)	9.90	▲ 0.9%	▼ -61.6%	2017-06-26
Bank deposit interest rate	0.16%	0.00	▲ 0.04	May 2017
3-month treasury bill yield	0.99%	▲ 0.05	▲ 0.72	2017-06-26
2-year treasury bond yield	1.36%	▲ 0.06	▲ 0.61	2017-06-26
10-year treasury bond yield	2.14%	▼ -0.11	▲ 0.45	2017-06-26
30-year mortgage rate	3.90%	▼ -0.05	▲ 0.34	2017-06-22
US Dollar, broad index	122.40	▼ -1.2%	▲ 1.0%	Jun 2017
Crude oil, US\$/barrel	\$43.49	▼ -12.8%	▼ -8.6%	2017-06-26
Industrial production index	105.0	-0.0%	▲ 2.2%	May 2017
Consumer confidence index	97.1	▲ 0.1%	▲ 2.5%	May 2017

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