Civilian unemployment rate (percent)

2014

FRED: UNRATE; LNS14027659; LNS14027662

2016

2018

Fourth quarter U.S. economic growth, which remained strong, was driven by increased consumption and partially offset by a growing trade gap. The labor market is gradually nearing full employment and still adding jobs at a strong pace. Inflation remains near the Fed's two percent target in both the core CPI and the full index, with little expected acceleration. Short- and medium-term borrowing costs have increased as Fed interest rate hikes are expected to continue or accelerate.

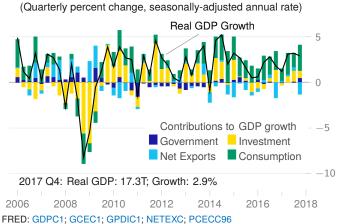
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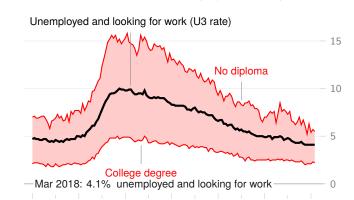
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## **Economic Growth and Employment**

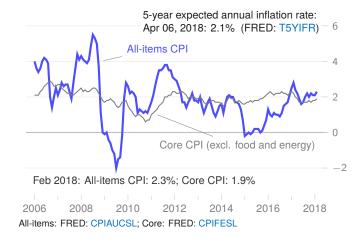
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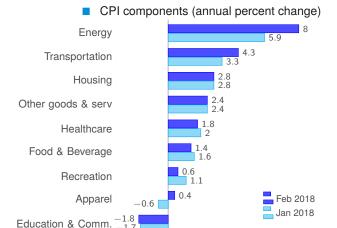




## **Inflation and Prices**

Consumer price index (CPI) (annual percent change)

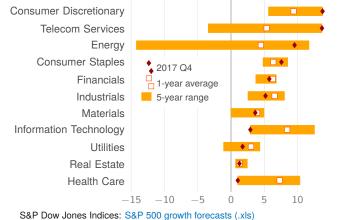




## FRED: CPI Indexes

## Markets, Interest Rates, and Other Indicators

S&P 500 reported earnings per share by industry



Recent market developments and other key indicators

	(	one month	one year	as of:
S&P 500 index	2613.16	▼ -6.2%	▲ 10.8%	2018-04-09
CBOE volatility index (VIX)	21.77	▲ 48.7%	▲ 75.7%	2018-04-09
Bank deposit interest rate	0.28%	▲ 0.01	▲ 0.13	Mar 2018
3-month treasury bill yield	1.76%	▲ 0.09	▲ 0.96	2018-04-09
2-year treasury bond yield	2.29%	▲ 0.02	▲ 1.05	2018-04-09
10-year treasury bond yield	2.78%	▼ -0.12	▲ 0.44	2018-04-09
30-year mortgage rate	4.40%	▼ -0.06	▲ 0.30	2018-04-05
US Dollar, broad index	117.81	▼ -0.3%	▼ -5.1%	Apr 2018
Crude oil, US\$/barrel	\$63.31	▲ 1.9%	▲ 22.4%	2018-04-09
Industrial production index	106.5	▲ 0.9%	<b>▲</b> 4.3%	Feb 2018
Consumer confidence index	101.4	▲ 1.7%	<b>▲</b> 4.6%	Mar 2018

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