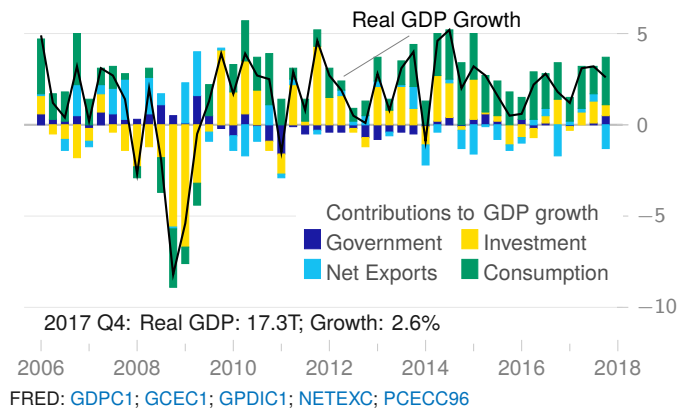


Third quarter U.S. economic growth, which remained strong, was driven by increased consumption and investment. The labor market is gradually nearing full employment and still adding jobs at a healthy pace. Inflation remains near the Fed's two percent target in both the core CPI and the full index, with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

Economic Growth and Employment

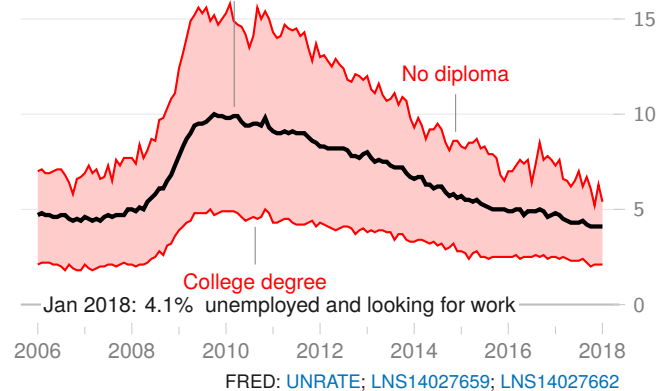
Real gross domestic product (GDP)

(Quarterly percent change, seasonally-adjusted annual rate)



Civilian unemployment rate (percent)

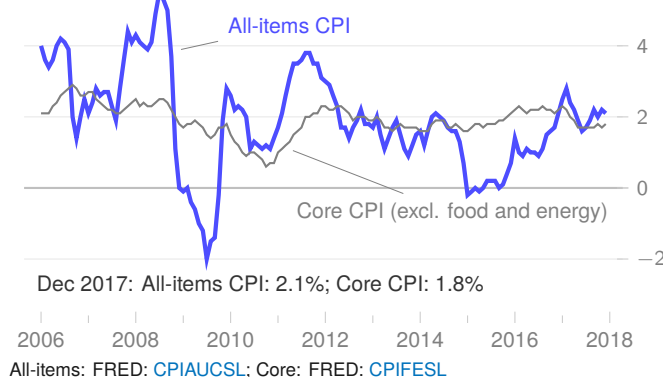
Unemployed and looking for work (U3 rate)



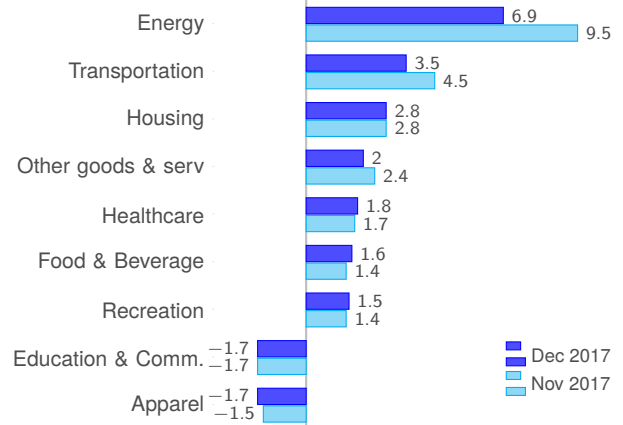
Inflation and Prices

Consumer price index (CPI) (annual percent change)

5-year expected annual inflation rate:
Feb 02, 2018: 2.4% (FRED: [T5YIFR](#))



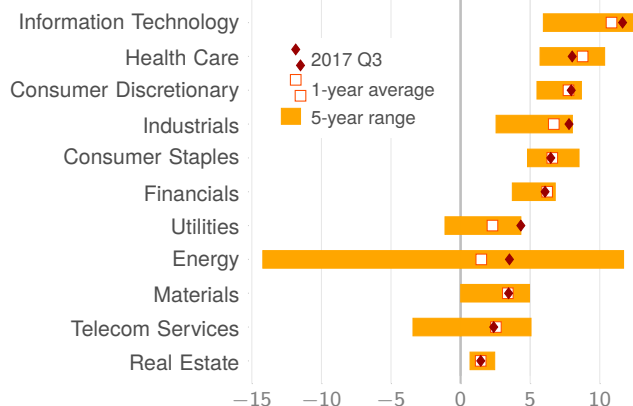
CPI components (annual percent change)



FRED: [CPI Indexes](#)

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	2681.97	▼ -2.4%	▲ 17.0%	2018-02-06
CBOE volatility index (VIX)	37.32	▲ 304.8%	▲ 240.2%	2018-02-05
Bank deposit interest rate	0.23%	0.00	▲ 0.10	Jan 2018
3-month treasury bill yield	1.51%	▲ 0.12	▲ 0.99	2018-02-05
2-year treasury bond yield	2.08%	▲ 0.12	▲ 0.87	2018-02-05
10-year treasury bond yield	2.77%	▲ 0.30	▲ 0.29	2018-02-05
30-year mortgage rate	4.22%	▲ 0.27	▲ 0.03	2018-02-01
US Dollar, broad index	115.53	▼ -1.4%	▼ -8.0%	Feb 2018
Crude oil, US\$/barrel	\$63.43	▲ 3.0%	▲ 17.8%	2018-02-05
Industrial production index	107.5	▲ 0.9%	▲ 3.6%	Dec 2017
Consumer confidence index	95.7	▼ -0.2%	▼ -2.8%	Jan 2018

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