

Revised February 2024 Economic Forecast

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We have updated our February economic forecast. The revised economic forecast reflects a more recent national economic forecast and updated Washington economic data. This updated economic forecast will form the basis of the February 2024 revenue forecast scheduled for adoption on February 14, 2024.

The following tables compare the revised February economic forecast with the preliminary February forecast as well as with the forecast adopted in November 2023.

U.S. Forecast Compariso
Real GDP (Billions of 20
February Forecast, Final

	•	2023Q4	2024Q1	2024Q2	2024Q3
Real GDP (Billion	s of 2012 Dol	lars)			
February Forecast,	Final	21,126	21,237	21,313	21,381
Percent Change		3.3%	2.1%	1.4%	1.3%
February Forecast,	Preliminary	20,999	21,065	21,109	21,157
Percent Change		0.8%	1.3%	0.8%	0.9%
Real Consumption	n (Billions of	2012 Dollar	rs)		
February Forecast,	Final	14,719	14,835	14,917	14,980
Percent Change		2.8%	3.2%	2.2%	1.7%
February Forecast,	Preliminary	14,695	14,740	14,773	14,807
Percent Change		2.2%	1.2%	0.9%	0.9%
PCE Price Index ((2012=100)				
February Forecast,	Final	128.3	128.8	129.4	130.0
Percent Change		1.7%	1.5%	1.7%	1.9%
February Forecast,	Preliminary	128.3	128.7	129.4	130.1
Percent Change		1.7%	1.2%	2.3%	2.1%
Real Personal Inc	come (Billions	s of 2012 Do	ollars)		
February Forecast,	Final	18,148	18,319	18,500	18,664
Percent Change		2.3%	3.8%	4.0%	3.6%
February Forecast,	Preliminary	18,145	18,344	18,481	18,617
Percent Change		2.2%	4.5%	3.0%	3.0%
Nonfarm Payroll	Employment	(Millions)			
February Forecast,	Final	157.1	157.8	157.9	157.9
Percent Change		1.6%	2.0%	0.1%	0.1%
February Forecast,	Preliminary	157.1	157.3	157.3	157.4
Percent Change		1.4%	0.6%	0.1%	0.1%
Unemployment R	ate (Percent	of Labor Fo	rce)		
February Forecast,	Final	3.8	3.8	3.9	3.9
February Forecast,	Preliminary	3.8	3.9	4.0	4.0
Oil Price, Refiner	's Acquisition	l			
February Forecast,		79.9	73.2	72.4	71.6
February Forecast,	Preliminary	81.5	73.1	72.7	72.0
30 Year Fixed Mo	rtgage Rate (Percent, av	erage)		
February Forecast,	Final	7.3	6.6	6.4	6.1
February Forecast,	Preliminary	7.1	6.6	6.4	6.0
3 Month T-Bill Ra	te (Percent, a	average)			
February Forecast,	Final	5.3	5.3	5.2	4.8
February Forecast,		5.3	5.3	5.1	4.7
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2029	2028	2027	2026	2025	2024	2023
23,420	23,006	22,577	22,156	21,701	21,348	20,848
1.8%	1.9%	1.9%	2.1%	1.7%	2.4%	2.5%
23,193	22,783	22,358	21,941	21,490	21,141	20,817
1.8%	1.9%	1.9%	2.1%	1.7%	1.6%	2.4%
16,430	16,123	15,807	15,497	15,178	14,942	14,579
1.9%	2.0%	2.0%	2.1%	1.6%	2.5%	2.2%
16,266	15,963	15,650	15,343	15,027	14,793	14,573
1.9%	2.0%	2.0%	2.1%	1.6%	1.5%	2.2%
143.9	141.0	138.1	135.3	132.4	129.7	127.3
2.1%	2.1%	2.1%	2.2%	2.1%	1.9%	3.7%
144.2	141.2	138.3	135.4	132.5	129.8	127.3
2.1%	2.1%	2.1%	2.2%	2.1%	1.9%	3.7%
21,247	20,723	20,249	19,715	19,071	18,566	18,036
2.5%	2.3%	2.7%	3.4%	2.7%	2.9%	1.4%
21,192	20,680	20,170	19,596	19,027	18,540	18,035
2.5%	2.5%	2.9%	3.0%	2.6%	2.8%	1.4%
159.3	158.9	158.5	158.2	158.0	157.9	156.1
0.2%	0.3%	0.2%	0.1%	0.1%	1.2%	2.3%
159.0	158.6	158.2	157.7	157.3	157.3	156.2
0.3%	0.3%	0.3%	0.2%	0.0%	0.7%	2.3%
4.1	4.1	4.1	4.2	4.1	3.9	3.6
4.1	4.1	4.2	4.2	4.1	4.0	3.6
63.6	63.9	64.5	65.9	68.3	71.9	77.7
63.7	64.1	65.0	66.6	69.0	72.2	78.1
4.8	4.9	4.9	5.1	5.5	6.2	6.8
4.8	4.9	4.9	5.0	5.3	6.2	6.8
2.4	2.4	2.3	2.5	3.2	4.9	5.1
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	2023Q4	2024Q1	2024Q2	2024Q3
Real GDP (Billions of 2012 Do	llars)	_	-	-
February Forecast	21,126	21,237	21,313	21,381
Percent Change	3.3%	2.1%	1.4%	1.3%
November Forecast	20,985	21,001	21,022	21,074
Percent Change	0.5%	0.3%	0.4%	1.0%
Real Consumption (Billions of	2012 Dolla	rs)		
February Forecast	14,719	14,835	14,917	14,980
Percent Change	2.8%	3.2%	2.2%	1.7%
November Forecast	14,700	14,717	14,735	14,773
Percent Change	1.5%	0.5%	0.5%	1.0%
PCE Price Index (2012=100)				
February Forecast	128.3	128.8	129.4	130.0
Percent Change	1.7%	1.5%	1.7%	1.9%
November Forecast	128.6	129.3	130.2	130.9
Percent Change	2.3%	2.2%	2.6%	2.3%
Real Personal Income (Billion				
	18,148	18,319	18,500	18,664
February Forecast Percent Change	2.3%	3.8%	4.0%	3.6%
November Forecast	18,100	18,263	18,386	18,517
Percent Change	1.2%	3.7%	2.7%	2.9%
-		3.7 70	2.7 70	2.570
Nonfarm Payroll Employment				
February Forecast	157.1	157.8	157.9	157.9
Percent Change November Forecast	1.6% 157.0	2.0% 157.2	0.1% 157.2	0.1% 157.0
Percent Change	1.3%	0.4%	0.0%	-0.4%
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Unemployment Rate (Percent		-	2.0	2.0
February Forecast November Forecast	3.8 3.9	3.8 4.1	3.9 4.3	3.9 4.4
		7.1	7.5	7.7
Oil Price, Refiner's Acquisition		72.2	72.4	71.6
February Forecast November Forecast	79.9 79.0	73.2 75.4	72.4 74.8	71.6 74.0
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30 Year Fixed Mortgage Rate	<u> </u>		C 4	C 1
February Forecast	7.3	6.6	6.4	6.1
November Forecast	7.6	7.5	7.2	6.8
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3 Month T-Bill Rate (Percent,				
3 Month T-Bill Rate (Percent, February Forecast	5.3	5.3	5.2	4.8

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	2023Q4	2024Q1	2024Q2	2024Q3
Real Personal Income (Billions	of 2012 D	ollars)		
February Forecast, Final	489.7	494.1	500.8	505.4
Percent Change	4.4%	3.7%	5.5%	3.8%
February Forecast, Preliminary	489.1	495.5	499.6	503.6
Percent Change	3.7%	5.3%	3.4%	3.2%
Personal Income (Billions of Do	llars)			
February Forecast, Final	628.4	636.5	647.8	657.0
Percent Change	6.1%	5.3%	7.3%	5.8%
February Forecast, Preliminary	627.7	637.7	646.7	655.2
Percent Change	5.5%	6.6%	5.7%	5.4%
Disposable Personal Income (B	illions of D	Oollars)		
February Forecast, Final	555.7	563.2	573.0	581.3
Percent Change	6.2%	5.5%	7.1%	5.9%
February Forecast, Preliminary	555.8	565.0	573.0	580.8
Percent Change	6.0%	6.8%	5.8%	5.5%
Nonfarm Payroll Employment (Thousands	s)		
February Forecast, Final	3636.2	3652.7	3661.6	3665.6
Percent Change	1.4%	1.8%	1.0%	0.4%
February Forecast, Preliminary	3636.2	3651.6	3658.3	3663.7
Percent Change	1.4%	1.7%	0.7%	0.6%
Unemployment Rate (Percent o	f Labor Fo	rce)		
February Forecast, Final	4.0	4.3	4.4	4.5
February Forecast, Preliminary	4.0	4.4	4.4	4.5
Manufacturing Employment (Th	ousands)			
February Forecast, Final	279.8	282.1	282.3	281.3
Percent Change	2.8%	3.3%	0.4%	-1.5%
February Forecast, Preliminary	279.8	282.3	282.4	281.2
Percent Change	2.8%	3.6%	0.2%	-1.7%
Construction Employment (Tho	usands)			
February Forecast, Final	236.8	237.5	239.6	240.6
Percent Change	0.3%	1.2%	3.5%	1.8%
February Forecast, Preliminary	236.8	237.7	239.3	239.9
Percent Change	0.3%	1.6%	2.6%	1.1%
Housing Permits (Thousands)				
February Forecast, Final	33.6	38.7	40.7	42.6
Percent Change	-16.7%	76.8%	21.5%	20.3%
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February Forecast, Preliminary	33.0	37.2	42.0	42.5

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Real Personal Income (Billio February Forecast	489.7	494.1	500.8	505.4
Percent Change	4.4%	3.7%	5.5%	3.8%
November Forecast	488.6	493.5	497.2	501.1
Percent Change	0.8%	4.1%	3.0%	3.2%
Personal Income (Billions of		7.1 70	3.0 70	3.2 /0
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February Forecast	628.4	636.5	647.8	657.0
Percent Change	6.1%	5.3%	7.3%	5.8%
November Forecast	628.5	638.3	647.2	656.0
Percent Change	3.1%	6.3%	5.7%	5.6%
Pisposable Personal Income	(Billions of D	ollars)		
ebruary Forecast	555.7	563.2	573.0	581.3
Percent Change	6.2%	5.5%	7.1%	5.9%
November Forecast	554.2	563.3	571.8	580.3
Percent Change	2.5%	6.7%	6.1%	6.1%
Nonfarm Payroll Employmen	t (Thousands	5)		
February Forecast	3636.2	3652.7	3661.6	3665.6
Percent Change	1.4%	1.8%	1.0%	0.4%
November Forecast	3634.8	3645.9	3650.7	3650.7
Percent Change	1.2%	1.2%	0.5%	0.0%
Unemployment Rate (Percen	t of Labor Fo	rce)		
February Forecast	4.0	4.3	4.4	4.5
November Forecast	3.8	4.2	4.5	4.7
Manufacturing Employment (
February Forecast	279.8	282.1	282.3	281.3
Percent Change	2.8%	3.3%	0.4%	-1.5%
November Forecast	278.6	280.5	280.9	280.1
Percent Change	1.0%	2.8%	0.6%	-1.1%
-		2.8%	0.6%	-1.1%
Construction Employment (T	-	227.5	220.6	240.6
February Forecast	236.8	237.5	239.6	240.6
Percent Change	0.3%	1.2%	3.5%	1.8%
November Forecast	237.3	238.8	239.2	238.8
Percent Change	1.1%	2.6%	0.7%	-0.7%
Housing Permits (Thousands)			
February Forecast	33.6	38.7	40.7	42.6
Percent Change	-16.7%	76.8%	21.5%	20.3%
November Forecast	36.3	41.3	41.4	41.6