

PERSONAL INCOME RISES IN OCTOBER

Personal income increased 0.4 percent in October after increasing 0.1 percent in September. Wages and salaries increased 0.5 percent after increasing 0.4 percent. In October, both personal interest income and Medicaid benefits turned up.

Current-dollar disposable personal income (DPI), after-tax income, increased 0.3 percent in October following an increase of 0.1 percent in September.

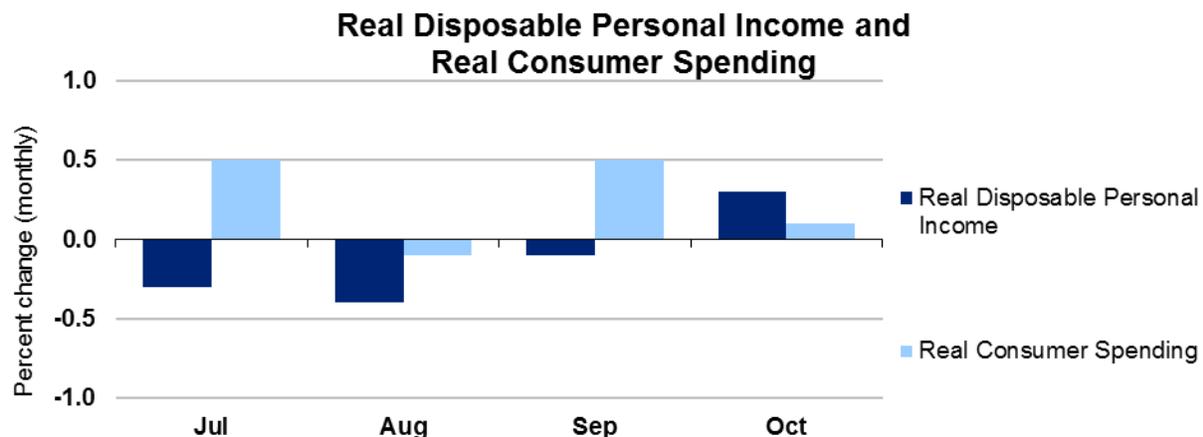
Real DPI, income adjusted for taxes and inflation, increased 0.3 percent in October after decreasing 0.1 percent in September.

Real consumer spending, spending adjusted for price changes, increased 0.1 percent in October after increasing 0.5 percent in September. Spending on durable goods increased 0.9 percent after increasing 3.3 percent.

PCE prices decreased 0.1 percent in October after increasing 0.2 percent in September. Excluding food and energy, the PCE price index increased 0.1 percent in October after remaining flat in September.

Personal saving rate
Personal saving as a percent of DPI was 3.5 percent in October, compared with 3.3 percent in September.

	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.
Personal Income	-0.1%	0.1%	0.4%
Current-dollar DPI	-0.1%	0.1%	0.3%
Real DPI	-0.4%	-0.1%	0.3%
Real PCE	-0.1%	0.5%	0.1%
PCE Prices	0.3%	0.2%	-0.1%
Personal Saving Rate	3.9%	3.3%	3.5%



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NOTE: On December 23, 2011, the November estimates of personal income and outlays will be released.