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| Cash mgmt. 42-day | 01/25/2024 | 01/30/2024 | 02/01/2024 | 912797GX9 | | \$80 | 01/23/2024 |
| 4-week | 01/30/2024 | 02/01/2024 | 02/06/2024 | 912797JG3 | | TBA | 01/25/2024 |
| B-week | 01/30/2024 | 02/01/2024 | 02/06/2024 | 912797JL2 | | TBA | 01/25/2024 |
| 17-week | 01/30/2024 | 01/31/2024 | 02/06/2024 | 912797JZ1 | | TBA | 01/24/2024 |
| 3-month | 02/01/2024 | 01/29/2024 | 02/01/2024 | 912797HH3 | | \$79 | 01/22/2024 |
| 6-month | 02/01/2024 | 01/29/2024 | 02/01/2024 | 912797JU2 | | \$70 | 01/22/2024 |
| 1-year | 02/15/2024 | 02/20/2024 | 02/22/2024 | TBA | | TBA | 01/23/2024 |
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| 7-year | 02/22/2024 | 02/27/2024 | 02/29/2024 | TBA | | TBA | 01/25/2024 |
| 10-year | 01/31/2024 | 02/07/2024 | 02/15/2024 | 91282CJZ5 | | TBA | 01/10/2024 |
| Bond Auctions | | | | | | | |
| 20-year | 02/15/2024 | 02/21/2024 | 02/29/2024 | TBA | | TBA | 01/17/2024 |
| 30-year | 01/31/2024 | 02/08/2024 | 02/15/2024 | 912810TX6 | | TBA | 01/11/2024 |
| TIPS Auctions | | | | | | | |
| 5-yr TIPS | 04/11/2024 | 04/18/2024 | 04/30/2024 | TBA | | TBA | 12/21/2023 |
| 10-yr TIPS | 03/14/2024 | 03/21/2024 | 03/28/2024 | TBA | | TBA | 01/18/2024 |
| 30-yr TIPS | 02/15/2024 | 02/22/2024 | 02/29/2024 | TBA | | TBA | 08/24/2023 |
| Floating Rate Note | | | | | | | |
| 2-year FRN | 02/15/2024 | 02/21/2024 | 02/23/2024 | TBA | | TBA | 01/24/2024 |

The World is Smoldering...

Three U.S. Troops Killed in Drone Attack in Jordan

https://www.wsj.com/world/middle-east/three-u-s-troops-killed-in-drone-attack-in-jordan-b45ddb6b?mod=world_lead_pos3

Three U.S. service members were killed and at least 34 were injured in an Iran-backed militia's drone strike on a base in northeast Jordan, U.S. officials said on Sunday, marking the first American troops killed in hostile action since the start of the Hamas-Israeli conflict in Gaza. A U.S. official said that the attack took place overnight at Tower 22, a small outpost near the Syria border. The drone struck living quarters for the troops, contributing to the high casualties, a U.S. official said.

This Ambush Shows How Ukraine Is Holding the Line

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As the column of Russian armored vehicles emerged from a forest in northeastern Ukraine, a Ukrainian unit was waiting to launch the kind of ambush that <u>is helping resist Russian efforts</u> to grab more chunks of territory.

The four Russian tanks and infantry fighting vehicles followed a narrow path through a minefield, past the charred remains of other Russian machines that had tried and failed to reach the small village of Synkivka before them.

At Least 12 U.N. Agency Employees Tied to Oct. 7 Attacks, Intelligence Reports Say https://www.wsj.com/world/middle-east/at-least-12-u-n-agency-employees-involved-in-oct-7-attacks-intelligence-reports-say-a7de8f36?mod=world_lead_story

At least 12 employees of the U.N.'s Palestinian refugee agency had connections to <u>Hamas's Oct.</u> 7 attack on Israel and around 10% of all of its Gaza staff have ties to Islamist militant groups, according to intelligence reports reviewed by The Wall Street Journal.

Six United Nations Relief and Works Agency workers were part of the wave of Palestinian militants who killed 1,200 people in the deadliest assault on Jews since the Holocaust, according to the intelligence dossier. Two helped kidnap Israelis. Two others were tracked to sites where scores of Israeli civilians were shot and killed. Others coordinated logistics for the assault, including procuring weapons.

Senate Negotiators, Biden Push for Border Deal as Trump Takes Aim

https://www.wsj.com/politics/policy/senate-negotiators-biden-push-for-border-deal-as-trump-takes-aim-ef1a7c27?mod=politics_lead_pos2

"This bill focuses on getting us to zero illegal crossings a day," Lankford said on "Fox News Sunday." "There's no amnesty, it increases the number of border patrol agents, it increases asylum officers, it increases detention beds so we can quickly detain and then deport individuals."

Lawmakers including House Speaker Mike Johnson (R., La.) and Sen. Rick Scott (R., Fla.) in recent days have questioned the need for the legislation. Meanwhile, President Biden has urged Congress to pass the policy, which Senate Republican leaders demanded last year as a condition for approving separate legislation that includes aid for Ukraine and Israel.

The pushback from some Republicans has come as former President <u>Donald Trump</u>, the front-runner for the 2024 Republican nomination, has opposed the measure, saying he would "rather have no bill than a bad bill." He <u>privately told some GOP senators</u> that he is upset that those in the party would consider voting for a border package because it would give Biden a political win on a top Trump campaign issue, according to a person familiar with the remarks.

"We don't need a new bill, we need something to enforce," Scott said on "Fox News Sunday." "Unless there's some accountability measure that forces Biden to secure the border—tied to Ukraine aid, tied to something else...Biden's not going to comply with the law."

Evergrande Set for Liquidation as China Property Crisis Drags On

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<u>China Evergrande Group</u> received a liquidation order from a Hong Kong court, setting off a daunting process to carve up the biggest casualty of a property crisis that's upending the world's second-largest economy.

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The ruling on Monday from Hong Kong Judge Linda Chan is the latest twist in a saga that saw Evergrande amass more than \$300 billion of liabilities during China's debt-fueled property boom, before turning into the poster child of a market bust that shows few signs of ending. The builder was valued at just \$275 million on Monday before trading in its shares was halted, down more than 99% from its peak.

FOMC Projections Materials, Accessible Version

For release at 2:00 p.m., EST, December 13, 2023

Table 1. Economic projections of Federal Reserve Board members and Federal Reserve Bank presidents, under their individual assumptions of projected appropriate monetary policy, December 2023

| | | | Media | n ¹ | | | Cent | ral Tendenc | y^2 | | | I | Range ³ | | |
|---|------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|---------------|------------------------|--------------------|------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Variable | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | Longer run | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | Longer run | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | Longer run |
| Change in real GDP September projection | 2.6 2.1 | 1.4 1.5 | 1.8 1.8 | 1.9 1.8 | 1.8 1.8 | 2.5-2.7 1.9-2.2 | 1.2–1.7 1.2–1.8 | 1.5-2.0 1.6-2.0 | | 1.7-2.0 1.7-2.0 | 2.5-2.7 1.8-2.6 | 0.8-2.5 0.4-2.5 | 1.4-2.5 1.4-2.5 | 1.6-2.5 1.6-2.5 | 1.6-2.5 1.6-2.5 |
| Unemployment rate September projection | 3.8 3.8 | 4.1 4.1 | 4.1 4.1 | 4.1 4.0 | 4.1 4.0 | 3.8 3.7–3.9 | 4.0-4.2 3.9-4.4 | 4.0 – 4.2 $3.9 – 4.3$ | | 3.8-4.3 3.8-4.3 | 3.7-4.0 3.7-4.0 | 3.9-4.5 3.7-4.5 | 3.8-4.7 3.7-4.7 | 3.8-4.7 3.7-4.5 | |
| PCE inflation September projection | 2.8 3.3 | $\frac{2.4}{2.5}$ | $\frac{2.1}{2.2}$ | $\frac{2.0}{2.0}$ | 2.0 2.0 | 2.7-2.9 $3.2-3.4$ | 2.2-2.5 $2.3-2.7$ | 2.0-2.2 $2.0-2.3$ | $2.0 \\ 2.0-2.2$ | 2.0 2.0 | 2.7 - 3.2 3.1 - 3.8 | 2.1-2.7 $2.1-3.5$ | 2.0-2.5 2.0-2.9 | 2.0-2.3 2.0-2.7 | 2.0 2.0 |
| Core PCE inflation ⁴ September projection | 3.2 3.7 | $\frac{2.4}{2.6}$ | 2.2 2.3 | $\frac{2.0}{2.0}$ | | 3.2 – 3.3 3.6 – 3.9 | 2.4-2.7 $2.5-2.8$ | 2.0-2.2 $2.0-2.4$ | 2.0-2.1 2.0-2.3 | | 3.2 – 3.7 3.5 – 4.2 | 2.3-3.0 2.3-3.6 | 2.0-2.6 2.0-3.0 | 2.0-2.3 2.0-2.9 | |
| Memo: Projected appropriate policy path | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Federal funds rate September projection | 5.4 5.6 | $\frac{4.6}{5.1}$ | 3.6 3.9 | 2.9 2.9 | 2.5 2.5 | 5.4 5.4–5.6 | 4.4-4.9 $4.6-5.4$ | 3.1 – 3.9 3.4 – 4.9 | | 2.5-3.0 2.5-3.3 | 5.4 5.4–5.6 | 3.9 – 5.4 $4.4 – 6.1$ | 2.4-5.4 2.6-5.6 | 2.4-4.9 $2.4-4.9$ | |

Note: Projections of change in real gross domestic product (GDP) and projections for both measures of inflation are percent changes from the fourth quarter of the previous year to the fourth quarter of the year indicated. PCE inflation and core PCE inflation are the percentage rates of change in, respectively, the price index for personal consumption expenditures (PCE) and the price index for PCE excluding food and energy. Projections for the unemployment rate are for the average civilian unemployment rate in the fourth quarter of the year indicated. Each participant's projections are based on his or her assessment of appropriate monetary policy. Longer-run projections represent each participant's assessment of the rate to which each variable would be expected to converge under appropriate monetary policy and in the absence of further shocks to the economy. The projections for the federal funds rate are the value of the midpoint of the projected appropriate target range for the federal funds rate are the value of the midpoint of the projected row over the longer run. The September projections were made in conjunction with the meeting of the Federal Open Market Committee on September 19-20, 2023. One participant did not submit longer-run projections for the change in real GDP, the unemployment rate, or the federal funds rate in conjunction with the September 19-20, 2023, meeting, and one participant did not submit such projections in conjunction with the December 12-13, 2023, meeting.

https://www.federalreserve.gov/monetarypolicy/files/fomcprojtabl20231213.pdf

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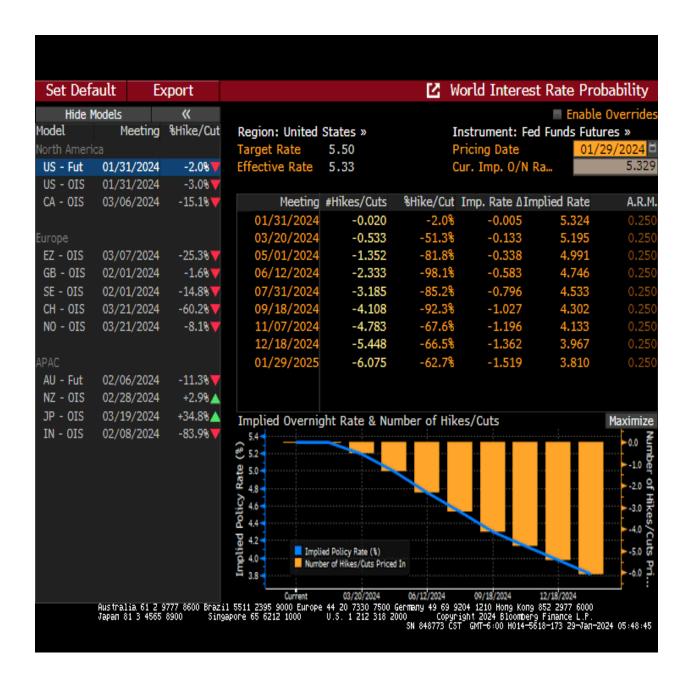
For each period, the median is the middle projection when the projections are arranged from lowest to highest. When the number of projections is even, the
median is the average of the two middle projections.

The central tendency excludes the three highest and three lowest projections for each variable in each year.

^{3.} The range for a variable in a given year includes all participants' projections, from lowest to highest, for that variable in that year.

^{4.} Longer-run projections for core PCE inflation are not collected.

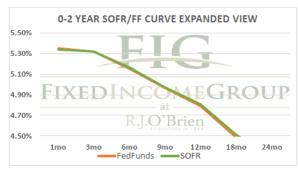
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| Term SOFR | 1/29/2024 5:53 | Settles | |
| 1 Month | | 5.3326 | -0.0039 |
| 3 Month | | 5.31266 | -0.00477 |
| 6 Month | | 5.15269 | -0.00471 |
| 12 Month | | 4.79903 | 5E-05 |
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| Term BSBY | 1/29/2024 5:53 | Settles | |
| 1 Month | | 5.36144 | -0.00186 |
| 3 Month | | 5.39458 | 0.00014 |
| 6 Month | | 5.31696 | -0.00325 |
| 12 Month | | 5.16167 | -0.01275 |

THE STIR CURVE: Distributed by The Fixed Income Group at RJ O'Brien





** Futures indicative prices supplied for analytics purposes only. Rates are not intended as a real-time offer to buy or sell.

| | Term SOFR from 1-day Returns | | | | | | | |
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| 5.33877% | 5.32077% | 5.16573% | 4.97291% | 4.80669% | 4.51021% | 4.29365% | 4.10801% | |
| 1.004597276 | 1.013449724 | 1.026115651 | 1.0378494 | 1.048868014 | 1.068530132 | 1.087185048 | 1.125066161 | |
| 1mo | 3mo | 6mo | 9mo | 12mo | 18mo | 24mo | 36mo | |
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| 2/28/2024 | 4/28/2024 | 7/28/2024 | 10/28/2024 | 1/28/2025 | 7/28/2025 | 1/28/2026 | 1/28/2027 | |
| 31 | 91 | 182 | 274 | 366 | 547 | 731 | 1096 | |

| | Term FedFunds from 1-day Returns | | | | | | | |
|------------|----------------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|----------------|----|--|
| 5.35315% | 5.31917% | 5.15206% | 4.96506% | 4.78893% | 4.48265% | 4.27868% | | |
| 100.46097% | 101.34457% | 102.60465% | 103.77896% | 104.86875% | 106.81114% | 108.68809% | | |
| 1mo | 3mo | 6mo | 9mo | 12mo | 18mo | 24mo | | |
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Getting Granular

The Fed watches 1-month bills v. 1-month bills 6-months forward. Below is a chart of 1-month SOFR v. 1-month SOFR 6-months forward.



Federal Reserve economists said, watching forward rates relative to those on current Treasury bills has served traders well in the past.

When the short term forward spread inverts, it indicates easier Fed policy in the near future.

Treasury 2s/10s



THE TREND

3-Month SFRH4: 94.91^ is the pivot point.

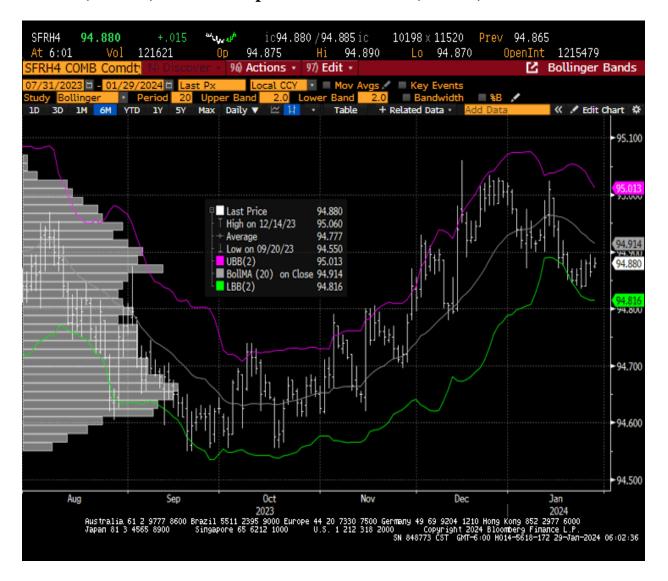
Above the pivot you should be long, below short.

Resistance is at 94.91[^] and 95-01**

Support is at **94-82****

^Pivot Point is a 20-day moving average.

The long position from 94.99 (1/12/23) has rolled over resulting in a 5-tick winner (\$156.25) and a short position from 94.94 (1/16/24).



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^{** 2-}STD Deviations from the pivot point.

Ultra 10-year Note (UXYH4): 116-06[^] is the pivot point.

Above the pivot you should be long, below short.

Resistance is at 116-06[^] and 118-07**

Support is at **114-15****

^Pivot Point is a 20-day moving average.

The trend that had you long from 109-16 (11/1/23) has rolled over, resulting in a 240 tick (\$7500.00) winner and a short position from 116-09 (1/4/24).





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EQUITIES



The S&P is +5 and the NASDAQ is +46.

Earnings: www.moneycentral.msn.com/investor/market/earncalendar

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UK

In the UK the FTSE is at +0.23%. BOE Rate 5.00% (.50% increase). Next meeting 02/01/24

EU:

The CAC Index is at -0.02%.

The DAX Index is at -0.45%.

ECB Main Refinancing Operations Rate 4.50% (no change).

Deposit Facility Rate 4.00%.

Next meeting 03/07/24

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Japan:

The TOPIX closed +1.27%.
The NIKKEI closed +0.77%.
BOJ Policy Balance Rate -0.10% (No Change).
Next meeting 01/23/24

China:

The Hang Seng closed +0.78%.

The Shanghai Composite closed -0.92%.

PBOC

Deposit Rate: 1.50%

1-Year Prime Rate: 3.45% 7-Day Repo Rate: 1.9401%

Reserve Requirement Ratio: 10.50% (25 BP Cut)

Muni IG Curve

The S&P Municipal Bond Index and its sub-indices are market value-weighted and based on bonds that are tax-exempt but may be subject to alternative minimum tax (AMT). Data are available for 12/02/2009 through 09/20/2021.

https://emma.msrb.org/ToolsAndResources/MBISYieldCurve?daily=False

Date Range: 10/26/2023 to 01/26/2024 Indices: 5 selected 7 6 3 Indices: 5 selected 7 S&P Municipal Bond General Obligation Index S&P Municipal Bond High Yield Index — S&P Municipal Bond Investment Grade Index

Historical Index Data

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The Fundamentals

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CPI, ECI, Employment situation PPI, CPI, Productivity and Costs, Real Earnings and US import/exports.

Average Hourly Earnings y/y Department of Labor Department.



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Bureau of Labor Statistics

https://www.bls.gov/web/empsit/cesnaicsrev.htm

Nonfarm Payroll Employment: Revisions between over-the-month estimates, 1979-present

KC Federal Reserve Agricultural Finance Update NOVEMBER 30, 2023

Farm debt balances at commercial banks grew steadily in the third quarter but loan performance remained strong. Despite some indications of <u>slower lending activity in recent</u> <u>surveys</u> and <u>subdued loan demand</u> for some lenders, outstanding debt at commercial banks in aggregate grew at a pace similar to the past year. Alongside ongoing strength in farm finances, delinquency rates on agricultural loans dropped for the third consecutive year and remained at historically low levels.

Steady loan growth has coincided with a pullback in deposit growth and firmed liquidity at agricultural banks. Higher interest rates have induced greater competition for deposits, pushed up costs of funding and compressed net interest margins slightly in recent months. Profits for agricultural banks, however, have stayed solid with support from higher interest income. Sound liquidity has continued to ease much of the risk surrounding elevated levels of unrealized losses at many banks and will remain important going forward.

https://www.kansascityfed.org/agriculture/agfinance-updates/credit-conditions-strong-but-softening/

How do Farm Incomes Compare to the average population

https://www.ers.usda.gov/faqs/#Q1

Charge-off Delinquency Rates on Loans and Leases at Commercial Banks https://www.federalreserve.gov/releases/chargeoff/delallsa.htm

Baker Hughes Rig Count Overview and Summary Count

https://bakerhughesrigcount.gcs-web.com/rig-count-overview?c=79687&p=irol-rigcountsoverview

What is U.S. electricity generation by energy source?

https://www.eia.gov/electricity/monthly/epm table grapher.php?t=epmt es1b

Biofuels International

https://biofuels-news.com/home/

Renewable Fuels Association

http://www.ethanolrfa.org/

How Many Electric Vehicles are on the Road in America

https://usafacts.org/articles/how-many-electric-cars-in-united-states/

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How do Fuel Cell Electric Vehicles Work Using Hydrogen

https://afdc.energy.gov/vehicles/how-do-fuel-cell-electric-cars-work

Trucking 01/19/24

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| Equity | Name | 01/19 | 01/12 | 01/05 | 12/29 | 12/22 | 12/1 |
| Podcasts | Truckstop.com Stats | | | | | | |
| ata Library | Average Market Demand Index (MDI) | 52.61 | 51.09 | 52.10 | 35.82 | 34.03 | 35.8 |
| Market Share | U.S. Dry-Van Market Demand Index | 77.69 | 72.90 | 80.34 | 52.58 | 53.62 | 59.9 |
| Macro | U.S. Flatbed Market Demand Index | 62.77 | 61.29 | 59.46 | 34.36 | 37.71 | 39.4 |
| Industry | ▶ U.S. Temperature-Controlled Market De | 110.18 | 93.29 | 89.91 | 93.92 | 56.38 | 47.1 |
| Company Analyzer | U.S. Specialty Market Demand Index | 12.82 | 14.80 | 16.27 | 11.32 | 11.13 | 12.9 |
| Valuation | Weekly Avg Truckload Rates Inc. Fuel Su | | | | | | |
| Contributors | Average Rate Per Mile | 2.395 | 2.326 | 2.302 | 2.376 | 2.277 | 2.22 |
| onitor | Dry-Van Rate Per Mile | 2.147 | 2.081 | 2.131 | 2.144 | 2.050 | 1.97 |
| News/Research | Flatbed Rate Per Mile | 2.389 | 2.331 | 2.265 | 2.255 | 2.311 | 2.29 |
| Events | Temperature Controlled Rate Per Mile | 2.665 | 2.542 | 2.639 | 2.742 | 2.342 | 2.19 |
| Comp Sheets Markets | Specialized Rate Per Mile | 2.538 | 2.481 | 2.319 | 2.501 | 2.521 | 2.46 |
| | U.S. Fuel Surcharge | 0.48 | 0.47 | 0.48 | 0.49 | 0.48 | 0.5 |
| | Weekly average rates are weighted by | | | | | | |
| | the # of loads per day. | | | | | | |
| | Load Turnaround (minutes) | 286.4 | 287.5 | 270.8 | 261.5 | 261.9 | 265. |
| | Truck Turnaround (minutes) | 1,052.1 | 1,080.9 | 1,075.3 | 1,150.7 | 1,096.7 | 1,090. |
| | Truckers Looking for Loads | 27.941M | 29.941M | 22.817M | 18.108M | 27.732M | 32.679 |
| | Shippers Looking for Truckers | 98,784.0 | 94,866.0 | 83,356.0 | 62,605.0 | 89,436.0 | 85,091 |
| | Truckers' Average Credit Scores | 20.2 | 20.1 | 19.9 | 19.9 | 19.9 | 20 |
| | Source: Truckstop.com | | | | | | |

Rail Traffic

For this week, total U.S. weekly rail traffic was 397,553 carloads and intermodal units, down 13.2 percent compared with the same week last year.

Total carloads for the week ending January 20 were 173,371 carloads, down 22.4 percent compared with the same week in 2023, while U.S. weekly intermodal volume was 224,182 containers and trailers, down 4.5 percent compared to 2023.

None of the 10 carload commodity groups posted an increase compared with the same week in 2023. Commodity groups that posted decreases compared with the same week in 2023 included coal, down 21,055 carloads, to 47,731; nonmetallic minerals, down 11,953 carloads, to 18,628; and grain, down 5,246 carloads, to 15,752.

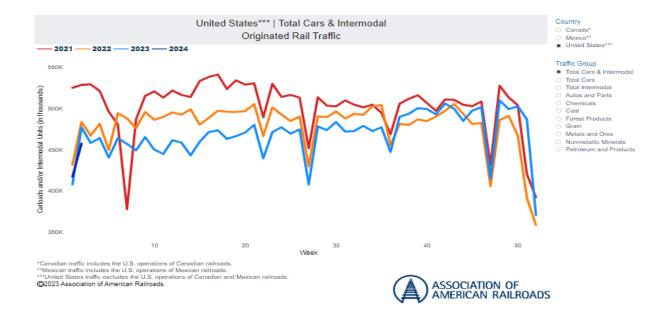
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For the first three weeks of 2024, U.S. railroads reported cumulative volume of 594,824 carloads, down 10.8 percent from the same point last year; and 677,439 intermodal units, up 0.2 percent from last year. Total combined U.S. traffic for the first three weeks of 2024 was 1,272,263 carloads and intermodal units, a decrease of 5.3 percent compared to last year. North American rail volume for the week ending January 20, 2024, on 12 reporting U.S., Canadian and Mexican railroads totaled 265,838 carloads, down 20.3 percent compared with the same week last year, and 289,982 intermodal units, down 6.0 percent compared with last year. Total combined weekly rail traffic in North America was 555,820 carloads and intermodal units, down 13.5 percent. North American rail volume for the first three weeks of 2024 was 1,778,528 carloads and intermodal units, down 5.6 percent compared with 2023.

Canadian railroads reported 74,967 carloads for the week, down 21.5 percent, and 54,327 intermodal units, down 15.6 percent compared with the same week in 2023. For the first three weeks of 2024, Canadian railroads reported cumulative rail traffic volume of 424,647 carloads, containers and trailers, down 9.8 percent.

Mexican railroads reported 17,500 carloads for the week, up 18.1 percent compared with the same week last year, and 11,473 intermodal units, up 24.0 percent. Cumulative volume on Mexican railroads for the first three weeks of 2024 was 81,618 carloads and intermodal containers and trailers, up 17.7 percent from the same point last year.

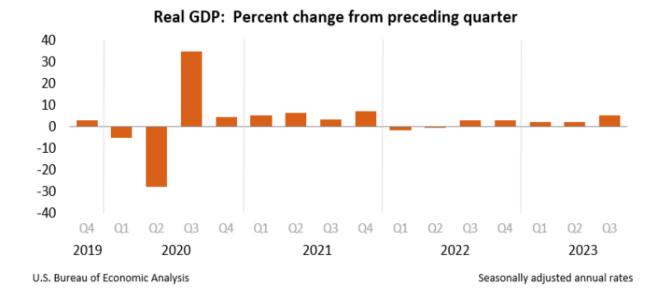
https://www.aar.org/news/weekly-rail-traffic-for-the-week-ending-january-20-2024/



GDP

U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of economic analysis http://www.bea.gov/newsreleases/national/gdp/gdpnewsrelease.htm
GDP, Personal Income, Outlays, Consumer Spending, Corporate Profits and Fixed Assets

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Latest estimate: 3.0 percent -- January 26, 2024

The initial GDPNow model estimate for real GDP growth (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in the first quarter of 2024 is **3.0 percent** on January 26. The initial estimate of fourth-quarter real GDP growth released by the US Bureau of Economic Analysis on January 25 was 3.3 percent, 0.9 percentage points above the final GDPNow model nowcast released on January 19. For technical reasons, tabs to the right of **ReadMe** in this excel file have not been updated.

The next GDPNow update is Thursday, February 1.

https://www.atlantafed.org/cqer/research/gdpnow

St. Louis Fed GDP Now Q4 2023 2.38% 01/19/2024 https://fred.stlouisfed.org/series/GDPNOW

Manufacturing AT A GLANCE December 2023

| Index | Series Index Dec | Series Index Nov | Percentage Point Change | Direction | Rate of Change | Trend* (Months) |
|--------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|-------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| Manufacturing PMI [®] | 47.4 | 46.7 | +0.7 | Contracting | Slower | 14 |
| New Orders | 47.1 | 48.3 | -1.2 | Contracting | Faster | 16 |
| Production | 50.3 | 48.5 | +1.8 | Growing | From Contracting | 1 |
| Employment | 48.1 | 45.8 | +2.3 | Contracting | Slower | 3 |
| Supplier Deliveries | 47.0 | 46.2 | +0.8 | Faster | Slower | 15 |
| Inventories | 44.3 | 44.8 | -0.5 | Contracting | Faster | 10 |
| Customers' Inventories | 48.1 | 50.8 | -2.7 | Too Low | From Too High | 1 |
| Prices | 45.2 | 49.9 | -4.7 | Decreasing | Faster | 8 |
| Backlog of Orders | 45.3 | 39.3 | +6.0 | Contracting | Slower | 15 |
| New Export Orders | 49.9 | 46.0 | +3.9 | Contracting | Slower | 7 |
| mports | 46.4 | 46.2 | +0.2 | Contracting | Slower | 14 |
| | OVERALL | ECONOMY | | Contracting | Slower | 3 |
| | Manufact | uring Sector | | Contracting | Slower | 14 |

Manufacturing ISM® Report On Business® data is seasonally adjusted for the New Orders, Production, Employment and Inventories indexes.
*Number of months moving in current direction.

THE LAST 12 MONTHS

| Month | Manufacturing PMI [®] |
|----------|--------------------------------|
| Dec 2023 | 47.4 |
| Nov 2023 | 46.7 |
| Oct 2023 | 46.7 |
| Sep 2023 | 49.0 |
| Aug 2023 | 47.6 |
| Jul 2023 | 46.4 |

| Month | Manufacturing PMI [®] |
|----------|--------------------------------|
| Jun 2023 | 46.0 |
| May 2023 | 46.9 |
| Apr 2023 | 47.1 |
| Mar 2023 | 46.3 |
| Feb 2023 | 47.7 |
| Jan 2023 | 47.4 |

Average for 12 months - 47.1 High - 49.0 Low - 46.0

https://www.ismworld.org/supply-management-news-and-reports/reports/ism-report-on-business/pmi/december/

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<u>US Census Bureau (Manufacturers' Shipments, Inventories and Orders).</u> <u>http://www.census.gov/manufacturing/m3/</u>

Ranking of Countries by Military might.

www.military.com

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- 1. Establish Justice and Ensure Domestic Tranquility.
- 2. Provide for the Common Defense.
- 3. Promote the General welfare.
- 4. Secure the Blessings of Liberty to Ourselves and Our Posterity.

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US Foreign Assistance

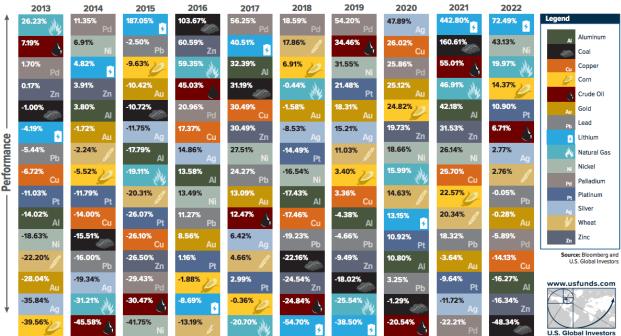
http://foreignassistance.gov/

How much aid do we give around the world?

https://usaid.gov

How Natural Resources have performed over the last 10 years.

The Periodic Table of Commodities Returns 2022



Natural resources are the building blocks of the world, essential to progress and prosperity. These commodities, like all investments, can have wide price fluctuations over time. This table shows the ebb and flow of commodity prices over the past decade and illustrates the principle of mean reversion — the concept that returns eventually move back towards their mean or average. The price movement of commodities is historically both seasonal and cyclical. That's why when investing in natural resources, we believe it is important for your portfolio to hold a diversified basket of commodities and to be actively managed by professionals who understand these specialized assets and the global trends impacting them. As with all investments, diversification does not protect an investor from market risks and does not assure a profit, and of course, past performance does not quarantee future results. Returns are based on historical soot prices or futures prices.

https://www.usfunds.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/01/23-006-CommoditiesPeriodicTable.pdf

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