



SURVEY OF MARKET PARTICIPANTS DECEMBER 2024

This survey is formulated by the Trading Desk at the Federal Reserve Bank of New York to enhance policymakers' understanding of market expectations on a variety of topics related to the economy, monetary policy and financial markets. The questions involve only topics that are widely discussed in the public domain and never presume any particular policy action. FOMC participants are not involved in the survey's design.

Please respond by **Monday, December 9th 2:00pm Eastern Time** to the questions below. Your time and input are greatly appreciated.

1a) Provide below your expectations for changes, if any, to the language referencing each of the following topics in the December FOMC statement. Please write N/A if you do not expect any changes.

Current economic conditions:

Economic outlook and communication on the expected path of the target federal funds rate:

Communication on tools other than the target federal funds rate:

Other:

1b) What are your expectations for the most likely levels of the medians of FOMC participants' target federal funds rate projections in the SEP? Please provide your responses out to three decimal places (e.g. for one percent enter 1.000, not 0.01).

Year-end 2024	Year-end 2025	Year-end 2026	Year-end 2027	Longer Run
<i>Sep-24: 4.375%</i>	<i>Sep-24: 3.375%</i>	<i>Sep-24: 2.875%</i>	<i>Sep-24: 2.875%</i>	<i>Sep-24: 2.875%</i>

December SEP median (percent):

1c) What are your expectations for the Chair's press conference?

2d) Please indicate the percent chance* that you attach to the lowest level of the target range for the federal funds rate before the target range is next increased falling in each of the following ranges.

≤ 0.50%	0.51 - 1.00%	1.01 - 1.50%	1.51 - 2.00%	2.01 - 2.50%	2.51 - 3.00%	3.01 - 3.50%	3.51 - 4.00%	4.01 - 4.50%	≥ 4.51%	Total
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

*Responses should add up to 100 percent.

3) Please provide your estimate of the most likely change in your expectation of the longer run target federal funds rate (as provided in part 2b) in the case of an unexpected and persistent change in each of the following factors. Consider each factor separately, holding all other factors constant. Please ensure your signs are correct and please provide your responses out to at least one decimal place (e.g. for one percent enter 1.0, not 0.01).

Change in your expectation of the longer run fed funds rate (percentage points):

Increase in trend productivity growth in the U.S.* by 0.5 percentage points relative to your baseline expectation:
10y average productivity growth as of Q3 2024: 1.6%

Increase in the long run path of marketable U.S. Treasury debt held by private investors as a percent of GDP** by 10 percentage points relative to your baseline expectation:
Q2 2024: 77%

Increase in the population growth rate in the U.S.*** by 0.2 percentage points relative to your baseline expectation:
10y average annual population growth as of 2023: 0.6%

Please provide any additional information on your estimates above, including the distribution of outcomes around your estimates and the methods used to develop your estimates. Please also discuss any additional factors that you expect could affect the longer run target federal funds rate.

*Nonfarm business sector labor productivity, percent change from quarter one year ago, seasonally adjusted, by the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

**Total marketable public debt held by private investors, by the U.S. Department of the Treasury Fiscal Service Table OFS-1. Gross domestic product, seasonally adjusted annual level, by the U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis.

***U.S. population growth, annual, by the Congressional Budget Office.

4a) Please provide your modal expectation for the average level of specified assets over each of the periods below. Average level amounts referenced below are in \$ billions.

Average level over each period (\$ billions)

Note: U.S. Treasuries and Agency MBS do not need to sum to Total Assets*

	November 2024 (Actual**)	December 2024	January 2025	February 2025	March 2025
U.S. Treasuries:	4332				
Agency MBS:	2263				
Total Assets*:	7005				

Average level over each period (\$ billions)

Note: U.S. Treasuries and Agency MBS do not need to sum to Total Assets*

	2025 Q2	2025 Q3	2025 Q4	2026 Q4
U.S. Treasuries:				
Agency MBS:				
Total Assets*:				

*Refers to total factors supplying reserve funds in H.4.1.

**Average of H.4.1 weekly averages of daily figures.

4b) Please indicate the period in which you expect the SOMA portfolio to cease to decline, and the size of the SOMA portfolio when it ceases to decline. Please also indicate the size of specified liabilities, reserves and take-up at the overnight reverse repurchase agreement facility, when the SOMA portfolio ceases to decline.

Period in which SOMA portfolio ceases to decline*:

Size of SOMA portfolio when it ceases to decline (\$ billions)**:

Current value: \$6,574bn***

Size of reserves (\$ billions)****:

Current value: \$3,234bn***

Take-up at the overnight reverse repurchase agreement facility (\$ billions)*****:

Current value: \$170bn***

*Dropdown selections: December 2024, January 2025, February 2025, March 2025, April 2025, May 2025, June 2025, July 2025, August 2025, September 2025, October 2025, November 2025, December 2025, Q1 2026, Q2 2026, Q3 2026, Q4 2026, Q1 2027, Q2 2027, Q3 2027, Q4 2027, Q1 2028, Q2 2028, Q3 2028, Q4 2028, Q1 2029 or later.

**Dropdown selections: \$0-250bn, \$251-500bn, \$501-750bn, \$751-1000bn, \$1001-1250bn, \$1251-1500bn, \$1501-1750bn, \$1751-2000bn, \$2001-2250bn, \$2251-2500bn, \$2501-2750bn, \$2751-3000bn, \$3001-3250bn, \$3251-3500bn, \$3501-3750bn, \$3751-4000bn, \$4001-4250bn, \$4251-4500bn, \$4501-4750bn, \$4751-5000bn, \$5001-5250bn, \$5251-5500bn, \$5501-5750bn, \$5751-6000bn, \$6001-6250bn, \$6251-6500bn, \$6501-6750bn.

***Most recent H.4.1, as of November 27, 2024.

****Dropdown selections: \$1000bn or smaller, \$1001-1250bn, \$1251-1500bn, \$1501-1750bn, \$1751-2000bn, \$2001-2250bn, \$2251-2500bn, \$2501-2750bn, \$2751-3000bn, \$3001-3250bn, \$3251-3500bn, \$3501-3750bn, \$3751-4000bn, \$4001bn or larger.

*****Dropdown selections: \$0-250bn, \$251-500bn, \$501-750bn, \$751-1000bn, \$1001-1250bn, \$1251-1500bn, \$1501-1750bn, \$1751-2000bn, \$2001-2250bn, \$2251-2500bn, \$2501bn or larger.

4c) Please indicate the percent chance* that you attach to the size of the SOMA portfolio falling in each of the following ranges when it ceases to decline. For reference, Securities Held Outright in the SOMA portfolio on November 27, 2024 was \$6,574 billion according to the most recent H.4.1 release.

\$5000bn or smaller	\$5001-5250bn	\$5251-5500bn	\$5501-5750bn	\$5751-6000bn	\$6001-6250bn	\$6251-6500bn	\$6501-6750bn	\$6751bn or larger	Total
0 %	0 %	0 %	0 %	0 %	0 %	0 %	0 %	0 %	0 %

*Responses should add up to 100 percent.

4d) Please discuss factors behind your baseline expectation for when the SOMA portfolio will cease to decline. Please also discuss the distribution of outcomes around your baseline.

5) Provide your estimate of the most likely outcome for the 10-year Treasury yield at the end of each period below. In addition, provide your estimate of the longer-run level of the 10-year Treasury yield. For reference, as of December 3 the yield was roughly 4.20 percent. Please provide your responses out to at least one decimal place (e.g. for one percent enter 1.0, not 0.01).

Quarters

2024 Q4 2025 Q1 2025 Q2 2025 Q3 2025 Q4

Percent:

Half-Years

H1 2026 H2 2026 H1 2027 H2 2027

Percent:

Longer run

Percent:

	≤ 0.00%	0.01 - 0.50%	0.51 - 1.00%	1.01 - 1.50%	1.51 - 2.00%	2.01 - 2.50%	2.51 - 3.00%	3.01 - 3.50%	3.51 - 4.00%	≥ 4.01%	Total
2025 (Q4/Q4):	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

*Responses across each row should add up to 100 percent.

Please also provide your point estimate for the most likely outcome out to at least one decimal place (e.g. for one percent enter 1.0, not 0.01).

2024 (Q4/Q4, percent):

2025 (Q4/Q4, percent):

9) Please indicate your modal projections for headline and core PCE inflation for each of the following quarters.* Please provide your responses out to at least one decimal place (e.g. for one percent enter 1.0, not 0.01).

	Q4 2024 (saar)	Q1 2025 (saar)	Q2 2025 (saar)	Q3 2025 (saar)	Q4 2025 (saar)
Headline PCE inflation (percent): <small>Q3 2024 (saar): 1.5% **</small>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Core PCE inflation (percent): <small>Q3 2024 (saar): 2.1% **</small>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

*Percent change from the previous quarter at an annualized rate, based on the average of monthly levels (seasonally adjusted) in each quarter.

**Second estimate by the Bureau of Economic Analysis.

10a) Please provide the percent chance* you attach to the following outcomes for headline PCE inflation in 2024 and 2025 (Q4/Q4).

	≤ 1.50%	1.51 - 1.75%	1.76 - 2.00%	2.01 - 2.25%	2.26 - 2.50%	2.51 - 2.75%	2.76 - 3.00%	3.01 - 3.25%	3.26 - 3.50%	≥ 3.51%	Total
2024 (Q4/Q4):	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2025 (Q4/Q4):	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

*Responses across each row should add up to 100 percent.

Please also provide your point estimate for the most likely outcome out to at least one decimal place (e.g. for one percent enter 1.0, not 0.01).

2024 (Q4/Q4, percent):

2025 (Q4/Q4, percent):

10b) For the outcomes below, provide the percent chance* you attach to the annual average CPI inflation rate from December 1, 2024 - November 30, 2029 falling in each of the following ranges.

≤ 0.50%	0.51 - 1.00%	1.01 - 1.50%	1.51 - 2.00%	2.01 - 2.50%	2.51 - 3.00%	3.01 - 3.50%	≥ 3.51%	Total
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*Responses across each row should add up to 100 percent.

Please also provide your point estimate for the most likely outcome out to at least one decimal place (e.g. for one percent enter 1.0, not 0.01).

Percent:

10c) For the outcomes below, provide the percent chance* you attach to the annual average CPI inflation rate from December 1, 2029 - November 30, 2034 falling in each of the following ranges.

≤ 0.50%	0.51 - 1.00%	1.01 - 1.50%	1.51 - 2.00%	2.01 - 2.50%	2.51 - 3.00%	3.01 - 3.50%	≥ 3.51%	Total
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*Responses across each row should add up to 100 percent.

Please also provide your point estimate for the most likely outcome out to at least one decimal place (e.g. for one percent enter 1.0, not 0.01).

Percent:

11a) What percent chance do you attach to:

the U.S. economy currently being in a recession* (percent)?

the U.S. economy being in a recession* in 6 months (percent)?

the global economy being in a recession** in 6 months (percent)?

*NBER-defined recession.

**Previous IMF staff work has suggested that a "global recession" can be characterized as a period during which there is a decline in annual per-capita real global GDP, backed up by a decline or worsening in one or more of the following global macroeconomic indicators: industrial production, trade, capital flows, oil consumption and unemployment.

11b) What percent chance* do you attach to the U.S. economy first entering a recession** in each of the following periods?

H1 2024***	H2 2024	H1 2025	H2 2025	H1 2026	No recession by end H1 2026	Total
<input type="text" value="0"/> %	<input type="text" value="0"/> %	<input type="text" value="0"/> %	<input type="text" value="0"/> %	<input type="text" value="0"/> %	<input type="text" value="0"/> %	<input type="text" value="0"/> %

*Responses should add up to 100 percent.

**NBER-defined recession.

***Percent chance that the economy first entered an NBER-defined recession in H1 2024.