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## Atlanta Fed GDPNow Estimate for 2020: Q4

**GDP**Now™

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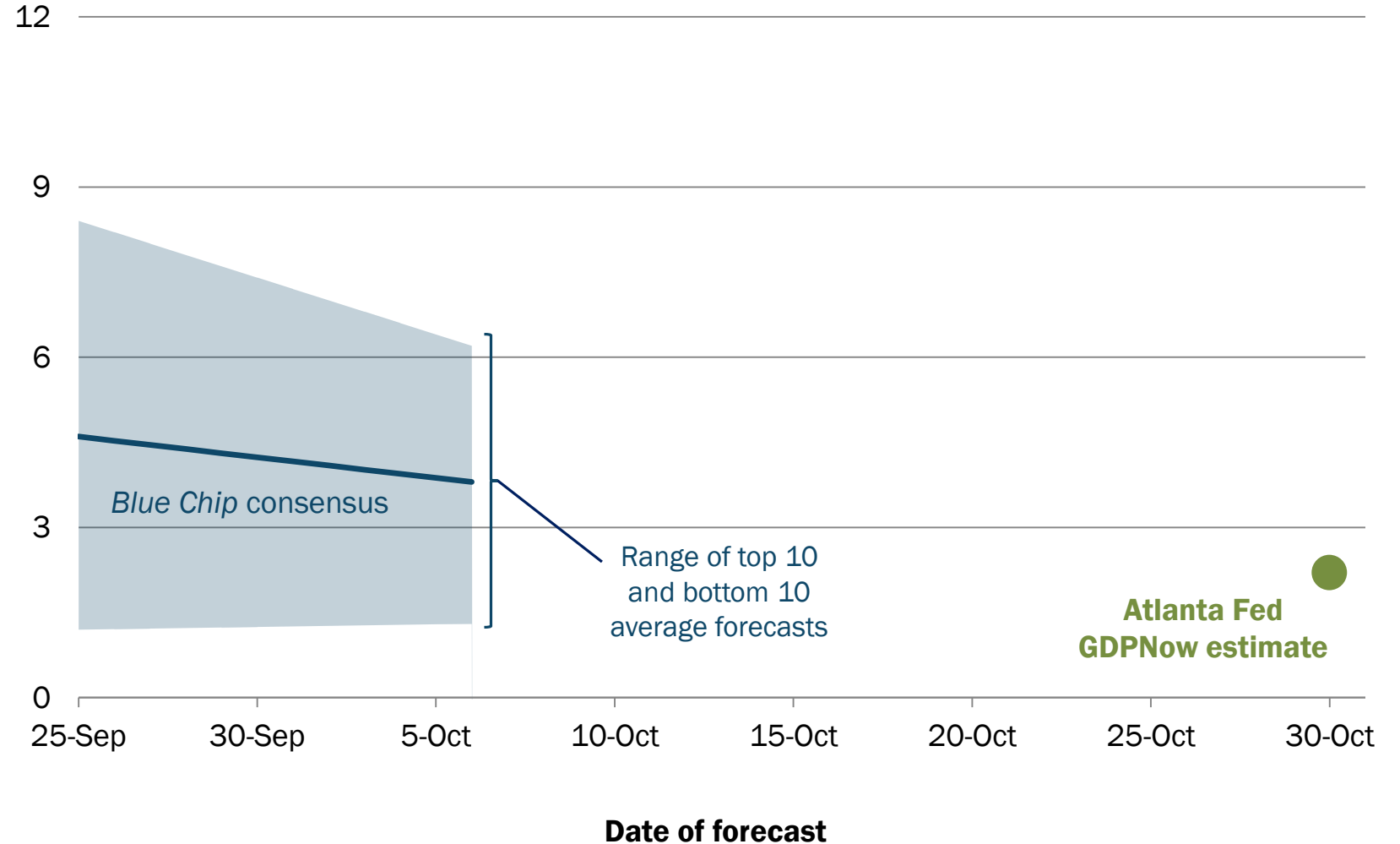


Note: The Atlanta Fed GDPNow estimate is a model-based projection not subject to judgmental adjustments. It is not an official forecast of the Atlanta Fed, its president, the Federal Reserve System, or the Federal Open Market Committee.

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In particular, it **does not capture the impact of COVID-19 and social mobility** beyond their impact on GDP source data and relevant economic reports that have already been released. It does not anticipate their impact on forthcoming economic reports beyond the standard internal dynamics of the model.

**Evolution of Atlanta Fed GDPNow real GDP estimate for 2020: Q4**  
Quarterly percent change (SAAR)



Sources: *Blue Chip Economic Indicators* and *Blue Chip Financial Forecasts*

Note: The top (bottom) 10 average forecast is an average of the highest (lowest) 10 forecasts in the *Blue Chip* survey.

## Evolution of Atlanta Fed GDPNow real GDP growth estimates for 2020: Q4

Date	Major Releases	GDP*
30-Oct	Initial nowcast	2.2

\*Note: Annualized quarterly growth rate of real GDP.

## Atlanta Fed GDPNow estimates for 2020: Q4, growth rates and changes

Date	Major Releases	GDP	PCE	Equip- ment	Intell. prop. prod.	Nonres. struct.	Resid. inves.	Govt.	Exports	Imports	Change in net exp.	Change in CIPI
30-Oct	Initial nowcast	2.2	-1.0	21.7	7.7	-2.6	22.6	4.1	8.5	19.5	-100	78
<b>Maximum forecast of real GDP growth</b>												
30-Oct	Initial nowcast	2.2	-1.0	21.7	7.7	-2.6	22.6	4.1	8.5	19.5	-100	78
<b>Minimum forecast of real GDP growth</b>												
30-Oct	Initial nowcast	2.2	-1.0	21.7	7.7	-2.6	22.6	4.1	8.5	19.5	-100	78

Note: CIPI is “change in private inventories.” Changes in net exports and CIPI are both in billions of 2012 dollars (SAAR). All other numbers are quarterly percent changes (SAAR). Table does not necessarily include all estimates for the quarter; see tab “TrackingHistory” in the [online excel file](#) for the entire history.

## Atlanta Fed GDPNow estimates for 2020: Q4, contributions to growth

Date	Major Releases	GDP	PCE	Equip- ment	Intell. prop. prod.	Nonres. struct.	Resid. inves.	Govt.	Net exports	CIPI
30-Oct	Initial nowcast	2.2	-0.69	1.15	0.36	-0.07	0.89	0.75	-1.63	1.49
<b>Maximum forecast of real GDP growth</b>										
30-Oct	Initial nowcast	2.2	-0.69	1.15	0.36	-0.07	0.89	0.75	-1.63	1.49
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Note: CIPI is “change in private inventories.” All numbers are percentage-point contributions to GDP growth (SAAR). The table does not necessarily include all estimates for the quarter; see tab “ContribHistory” in the [online excel file](#) for the entire history.