

REAL CONSUMER SPENDING RISES IN FEBRUARY

Personal income increased 0.3 percent in February, the same as in January. Wages and salaries, the largest component of personal income, increased 0.2 percent after increasing 0.3 percent.

Current-dollar disposable personal income (DPI), after-tax income, increased 0.3 percent in February, the same as in January.

Real DPI, income adjusted for taxes and inflation, increased 0.3 percent in February after increasing 0.2 percent in January.

Real consumer spending, spending adjusted for price changes, increased 0.2 percent in February after increasing 0.1 percent in January. Spending on nondurable goods increased 0.3 percent after decreasing 0.9 percent.

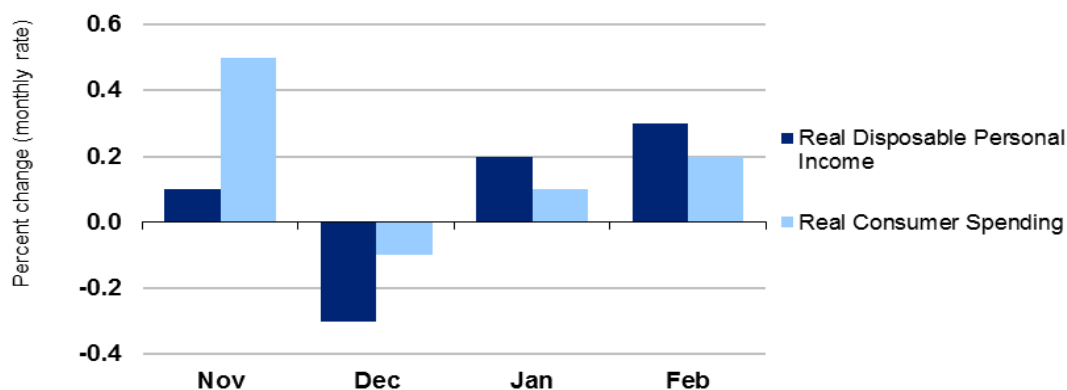
PCE prices increased 0.1 percent in February, the same increase as in January. Excluding food and energy, PCE prices rose 0.1 percent in February.

Personal saving rate

Personal saving as a percent of DPI was 4.3 percent in February and 4.2 percent in January.

	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.
Personal Income	-0.1%	0.3%	0.3%
Current-dollar DPI	-0.1%	0.3%	0.3%
Real DPI	-0.3%	0.2%	0.3%
Real PCE	-0.1%	0.1%	0.2%
PCE Prices	0.2%	0.1%	0.1%
Personal Saving Rate	4.1%	4.2%	4.3%

Real Disposable Personal Income and Real Consumer Spending



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NOTE: On May 1, 2014, the March estimates of personal income and outlays will be released.