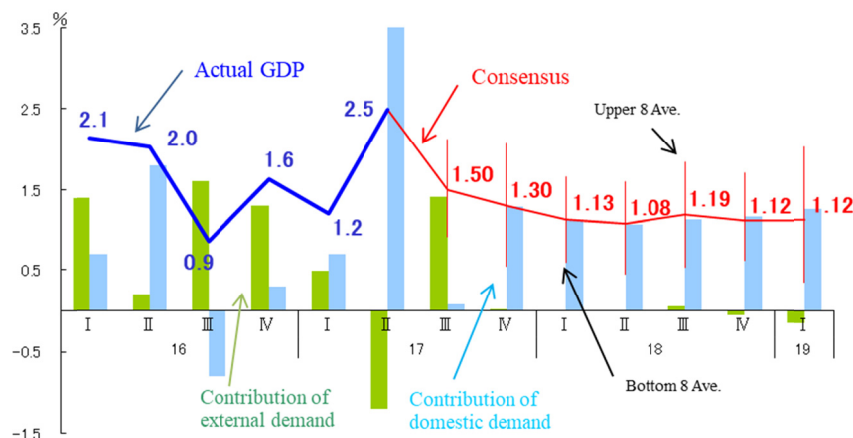


## Forecasters Predict Real GDP Growth at 1.50% for 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2017

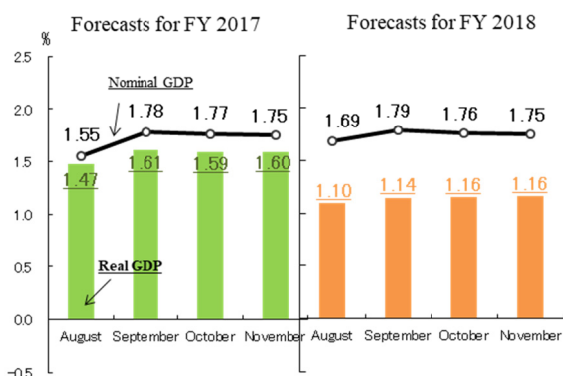
### Real GDP (Quarterly)

Professional forecasters (41 forecasters surveyed) in Japan expect real GDP to grow at an annual rate of 1.50 % last quarter, and 1.30% this quarter. They predict growth slowing-down to around 1% thereafter.



### GDP Growth (FY)

The average rates of real GDP growth prediction are 1.60% in FY2017 and 1.16% in FY2018. The nominal figures for each fiscal year are 1.75% and 1.75%, respectively.



Contribution	FY2017	FY2018
Domestic	<b>1.4</b> (1.6/1.1)	<b>1.1</b> (1.5/0.6)
Private	<b>1.0</b> (1.3/0.8)	<b>1.0</b> (1.3/0.6)
Public	<b>0.3</b> (0.4/0.2)	<b>0.1</b> (0.3/▲0.0)
External	<b>0.2</b> (0.4/0.0)	<b>0.1</b> (0.3/▲0.1)
<b>Real GDP growth</b>	<b>1.60</b> (1.78/1.43)	<b>1.16</b> (1.48/0.79)

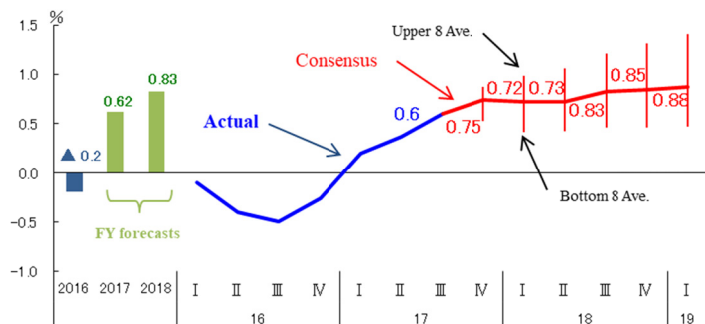
(Notes) **Consensus** (Upper 8 Ave./Bottom 8 Ave.).  
Contributions are approximate values.

### (Additional question) Forecasts for FY2019

Consensus: 0.69% (Upper 8 Ave.: 1.14%; Bottom 8 Ave.: 0.25%)

### Core CPI (year-on-year)

The forecasters expect core CPI to moderately increase up to 0.88% in the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of 2019. Annual average core CPI is 0.62% in FY2017 and 0.83% in FY2018, increasing from ▲0.2% in FY2016. (Note) Core CPI: All items less fresh food.



### (Additional question) Forecasts for FY2019

Consensus (incl. effects of the consumption tax hike): 1.33%  
(Upper 8 Ave.: 2.08%; Bottom 8 Ave.: 0.71%)  
Consensus (excl. effects of the consumption tax hike): 0.91%  
(Upper 8 Ave.: 1.63%; Bottom 8 Ave.: 0.39%)

Next survey will be released on or around December 18.