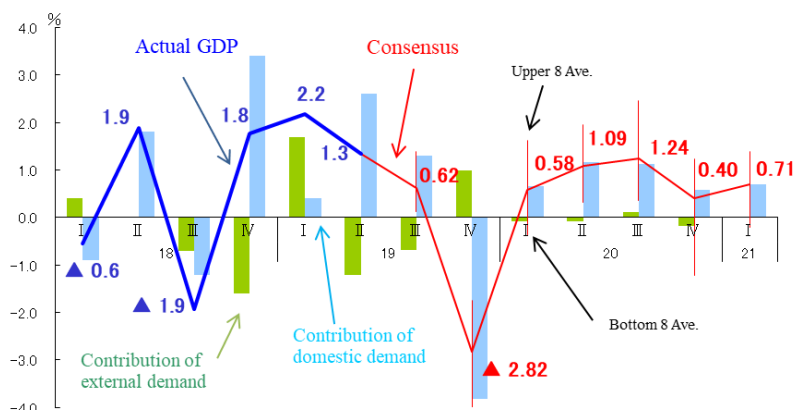


Real GDP Growth Outlook for 2019Q3 at 0.62%

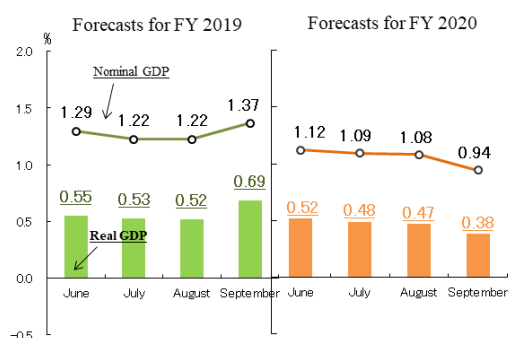
Real GDP (Quarterly)

Professional forecasters (37 forecasters surveyed) in Japan expect real GDP to grow at an annual rate of 0.62% this quarter, revised downward from the previous survey at 1.30%. They predict a sharp decline at \blacktriangle 2.82% next quarter owing to the consumption tax hike.



GDP Growth (FY)

The average rates of real GDP growth prediction are 0.69% in FY2019, and 0.38% in FY2020. The nominal figures for each fiscal year are 1.37%, and 0.94%, respectively.



Contribution	FY2019	FY2020
Domestic	0.9 (1.1/0.7)	0.3 (0.6/0.1)
Private	0.4 (0.7/0.2)	0.1 (0.4/ \blacktriangle 0.1)
Public	0.5 (0.6/0.3)	0.2 (0.3/0.1)
External	\blacktriangle 0.2 (\blacktriangle 0.1/ \blacktriangle 0.3)	0.0 (0.3/ \blacktriangle 0.1)
Real GDP growth	0.69 (0.89/0.49)	0.38 (0.65/0.15)

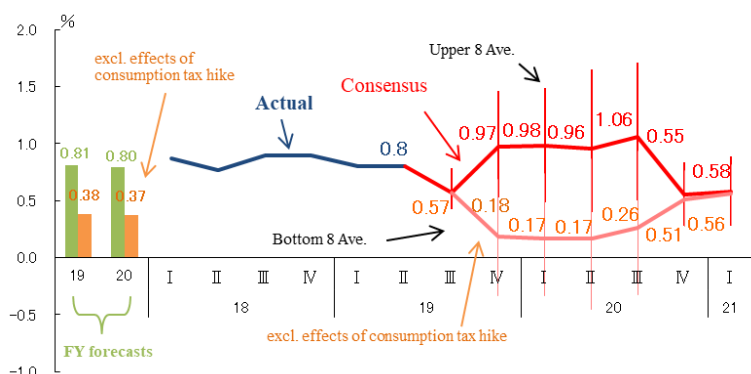
(Notes) **Consensus** (Upper 8 Ave./Bottom 8 Ave.).
Contributions are approximate values.

(Additional question) Forecasts for FY2021

Consensus: 0.59% (Upper 8 Ave.: 0.99%; Bottom 8 Ave.: 0.15%)

Core CPI (year-on-year)

The forecasters expect core CPI to decrease from 0.8% to 0.57% in this quarter and increase to 0.97% in the following quarter. Annual average core CPI is 0.81% in FY2019, and 0.80% in FY2020, almost flat at 0.8% in FY2018. (Note) Core CPI: All items less fresh food.



(Additional question) Forecasts for FY2021

Consensus: 0.73%
(Upper 8 Ave.: 1.13%; Bottom 8 Ave.: 0.40%)

Next survey will be released on or around October 9.