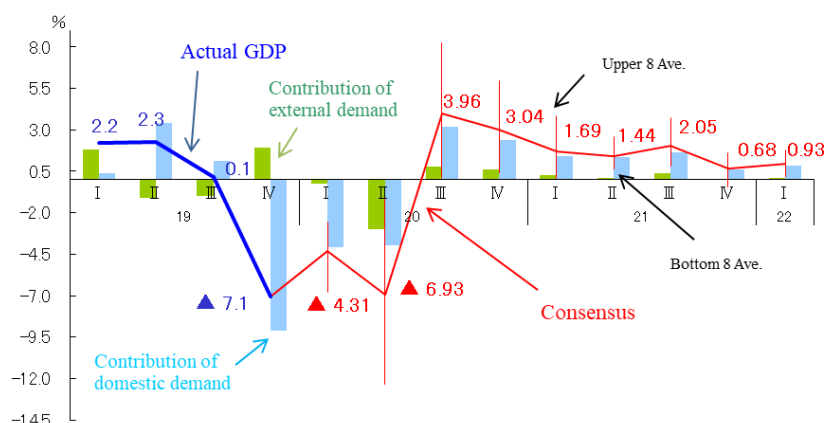


## COVID-19 Causes Downward Revision of Real GDP Growth Outlook for 2020Q1 & Q2

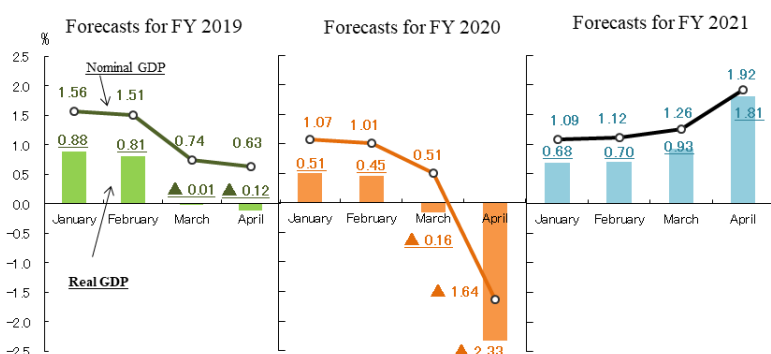
### Real GDP (Quarterly)

Professional forecasters (35 forecasters surveyed) in Japan revise real GDP growth outlook for the first half of 2020 downward, and expect three consecutive quarters of negative growth. They predict recovery thereafter.



### GDP Growth (FY)

The average rates of real GDP growth prediction are ▲0.12% in FY2019, ▲2.33% in FY2020, and 1.81% in FY2021. The nominal figures for each fiscal year are 0.63%, ▲1.64%, and 1.92%, respectively.

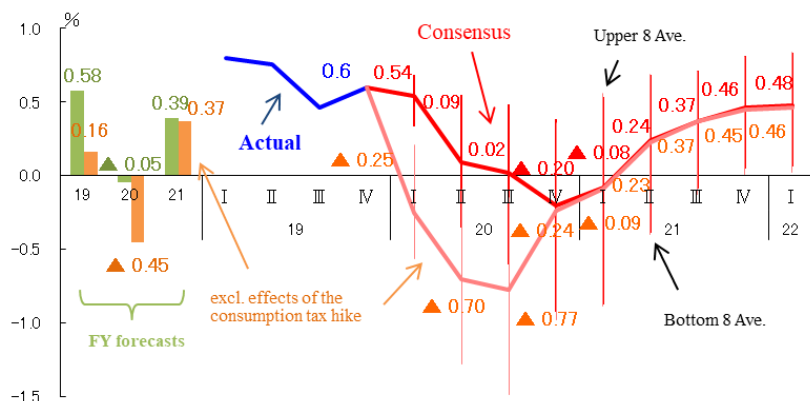


Contribution	FY2019	FY2020	FY2021
Domestic	0.1 (0.2/▲0.1)	▲1.9 (▲0.6/▲3.4)	1.5 (2.3/0.8)
Private	▲0.6 (▲0.5/▲0.8)	▲2.4 (▲1.0/▲4.0)	1.3 (2.0/0.7)
Public	0.7 (0.7/0.6)	0.5 (0.9/0.3)	0.2 (0.4/0.1)
External	▲0.2 (▲0.0/▲0.3)	▲0.4 (0.3/▲1.4)	0.3 (0.8/▲0.1)
<b>Real GDP growth</b>	<b>▲0.12</b> (0.01/▲0.29)	<b>▲2.33</b> (▲0.74/▲3.78)	<b>1.81</b> (2.81/1.01)

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

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

The forecasters expect core CPI to decrease from 0.54% last quarter to ▲0.20% in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter of 2020, and increase slowly thereafter. Annual average core CPI is 0.58% in FY2019, ▲0.05% in FY2020, and 0.39% in FY2021. (Note) Core CPI: All items less fresh food.



Next survey will be released on or around May 14.