

Economic Calendar				
22-Oct	23-Oct	24-Oct	25-Oct	26-Oct
Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
Market Focus	Market Focus	MBA Mortgage Applications	Weekly Bill Settlement	GDP
Market Reflections	Redbook	FHFA House Price Index	8-Week Bill Settlement	Consumer Sentiment
International Perspective	Neel Kashkari Speaks	PMI Composite FLASH	Durable Goods Orders	Baker-Hughes Rig Count
Simply Economics	Richmond Fed Manufacturing Index	New Home Sales	International Trade in Goods	
Chicago Fed National Activity Index	4-Week Bill Auction	Raphael Bostic Speaks	Jobless Claims	
4-Week Bill Announcement	8-Week Bill Auction	EIA Petroleum Status Report	Retail Inventories [Advance]	
8-Week Bill Announcement	2-Yr Note Auction	James Bullard Speaks	Wholesale Inventories [Advance]	
3-Month Bill Auction	Raphael Bostic Speaks	2-Yr FRN Note Auction	6-Month Bill Announcement	
6-Month Bill Auction	Robert Kaplan Speaks	Loretta Mester Speaks	Pending Home Sales Index	
	Charles Evans Speaks	5-Yr Note Auction	EIA Natural Gas Report	
	Esther George Speaks	Raphael Bostic Speaks	Kansas City Fed Manufacturing Index	
		Beige Book	Richard Clarida Speaks	
		Lael Brainard Speaks	Fed Balance Sheet	
			Money Supply	
			Loretta Mester Speaks	

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[Trump eyeing a 10 percent middle-income tax cut plan](#)

U.S. President Donald Trump repeated his claim that Republicans plan to unveil a 10% middle-class tax cut before the midterm elections a little over two weeks away but would have to go through Congress afterward.

[Donald Trump says US will build up its nuclear arsenal](#)

U.S. President Donald Trump has warned that the U.S. will bolster its nuclear arsenal to put pressure on Russia and China. Trump said the U.S. would build up its arsenal "until people come to their senses".

[Brexit deal is 95% settled, UK's May tells Parliament](#)

British Prime Minister Theresa May has said she is prepared to "explore every possible option" to break the deadlock in Brexit talks. She told MPs 95% of the terms of exit were agreed but the Irish border was still a "considerable sticking point".

[Northern Irish DUP to back rebel Brexit amendment on Irish border - Telegraph](#)

The Northern Irish party which props up British Prime Minister Theresa May will back an amendment proposed by rebel Brexiteer lawmakers that will effectively make the European Union's backstop proposal illegal.

[China's Xi declares Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macau bridge open](#)

Chinese President Xi Jinping on Tuesday declared open the world's longest sea crossing bridge, nine years after construction first began. The bridge has cost about \$20 billion, but critics have said it is an unnecessary "white elephant".

[Chinese official tells American investors at a meeting: We don't fear a trade war with the US](#)

Zhang Qingli, a leading member of a Chinese committee, said that China refuses to be intimidated by an ongoing trade war with the Trump administration. Zhang also accused President Donald Trump's administration of going forward with tariffs even after making progress in trade talks.

[China central bank to boost relending and rediscount quotas for small firms](#)

The People's Bank of China will boost relending and rediscount quotas by 150 billion yuan (\$21.6 billion) to help the financing needs of small enterprises. The bank will also provide guidelines for corporate bond issues.

[China Says U.S. Should 'Think Twice' About Leaving Missile Pact](#)

China called on the United States to "think twice" about its decision to ditch a Cold War-era nuclear weapons treaty with Russia. But Trump said the Russians had been violating it "for many years" and that China, not a signatory, remained free to develop such weapons.

[Oil steady as Saudi Arabia pledges to play 'responsible role' in market](#)

Oil prices were steady as Saudi Arabia pledged to play a "responsible role" in energy markets despite its increasing isolation over the killing of Saudi journalist Jamal Khashoggi.

[Saudi crown prince meets U.S.'s Mnuchin, Saudi state TV says](#)

Saudi Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman met U.S. Treasury Secretary Steven Mnuchin in Riyadh on Monday, despite growing concern over the Saudis' role in the murder of journalist Jamal Khashoggi.

[Saudi investment summit set to start despite boycott over slain journalist](#)

Saudi Arabia's investment conference has gone ahead despite international pressure for a boycott. The Future Investment Initiative was due to feature 150 high profile speakers from 140 firms. But around 40 attendees are understood to have pulled out as Saudis' role in the murder of journalist Jamal Khashoggi.

[Guns and guards to be removed from Korean 'truce village' of Panmunjom](#)

North and South Korea have agreed to remove guns and guard posts from Panmunjom, the "truce town" that straddles their border. The parties will then conduct a "three-way joint verification" for another two days.

[S. Korea's producer prices rally to hit 5-yr high in Sept.](#)

South Korea's producer price index was up 0.3% from a month earlier and reached 105.78 in September, posting a more-than-five-year high. On a year-on-year basis, it rose 2.7%.

[Mexico to consider all actions in response to Canadian steel tariffs](#)

Deputy Economy Minister Juan Carlos Baker said Mexico will consider all possible actions in response to Canadian steel tariffs, including the possibility of going to the World Trade Organization.

[Canada says it is prepared to freeze Saudi arms deal if necessary](#)

Canada is prepared to freeze a big arms deal with Saudi Arabia if it concludes the weapons have been misused, Prime Minister Justin Trudeau said on Monday, amid increasing pressure to punish Riyadh for the killing of journalist Jamal Khashoggi.

[Germany must halt all arms deliveries to Saudi - Merkel ally](#)

Norbert Roettgen, a member of Chancellor Angela Merkel's conservatives and head of the parliamentary foreign affairs committee, said Germany would lose credibility if it proceeds with any deliveries of weapons to Saudi Arabia.

[Facebook shuts accounts of marketing group in Brazil election](#)

Facebook Inc said it had removed 68 pages and 43 accounts associated with Raposo Fernandes Associados, for violating the social media network's misrepresentation and spam policies.

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