

CONSUMER SPENDING RISES IN MAY

Personal income increased 0.4 percent in May after increasing 0.5 percent in April. Wages and salaries, the largest component of personal income, increased 0.5 percent in May, the same as in April.

Real disposable personal income (DPI), income adjusted for inflation and taxes, increased 0.5 percent in May compared to a 0.6 percent increase in April.

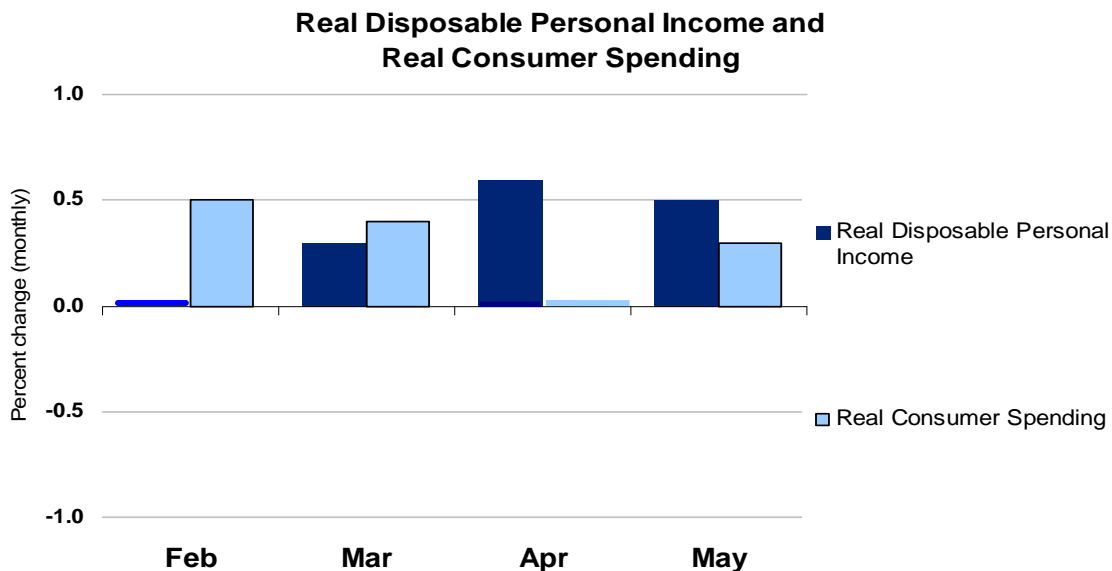
Real consumer spending, spending adjusted for price changes, was 0.3 percent in May.

PCE prices were flat in May and April. Excluding food and energy, the PCE price index increased 0.2 percent in May after rising 0.1 percent in April.

	March	April	May
Personal Income	0.4 %	0.5 %	0.4 %
Real DPI	0.3 %	0.6 %	0.5 %
Real PCE	0.4 %	0.0 %	0.3 %
PCE Prices	0.1 %	0.0 %	0.0 %

Personal saving rate
Personal saving as a percent of disposable personal income was 4.0 percent in May, compared to 3.8 percent in April.

	March	April	May
Personal Saving Rate	3.3 %	3.8 %	4.0 %



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NOTE: On August 3, 2010, the May estimates of personal income and outlays will be released.