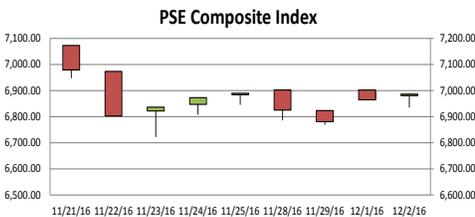




## ECONOMIC INDICATORS

	<b>7.1</b>	<b>2.30</b>	
<a href="#">▶ Q3 2016 Gross Domestic Product</a>		<a href="#">▶ October 2016 Inflation Rate</a>	
	<b>- 6.4</b>	<b>5.7</b>	
<a href="#">▶ Q2 2016 Consumer Confidence</a>		<a href="#">▶ Q1 2016 Auto-buying Intention</a>	
	<b>49.65</b>		
<a href="#">▶ Daily Peso – Dollar Exchange Rate</a>			



### MACROECONOMIC SNAPSHOT

#### Inflation slowed in November -- poll

Inflation likely eased slightly in November from the preceding month due to a sharp decline in oil prices that helped temper the impact of a weaker peso on import costs, but is widely seen to have topped 2%, analysts said in a BusinessWorld poll late last week.



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#### Gov't targets 7.5 M new jobs by 2022

Service providers (SPs) may be required to increase their capitalization to P5 million from the current P3 million to address the new requirements proposed under the “win-win” solution to end job contractualization or “endo” (end of contract) and to attain government’s target to create 7.5 million new jobs by 2022.



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### FINANCIAL TRENDS

#### Peso to retest P50:\$1

The peso may trade weaker versus the dollar this week and even breach the P50 level, tracking its regional peers, as the market continues to stay on the sidelines ahead of key US reports, which may signal a stable and improving US economy and convince the Federal Reserve to hike interest rates at their policy meeting next week.



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### INDUSTRY NEWS

#### NTRC study shows Philippine auto excise tax lowest in Asean

Automobile excise tax is the lowest in the country across Southeast Asia and covers the least number of vehicles, justifying government reform plans that seek to discourage car purchases to ease traffic in Metro Manila.



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### GLOBAL WATCHLIST



#### Lawmakers vow to impeach South Korea’s president

South Korea’s opposition parties are vowing to impeach disgraced President Park Geun-hye’s, dismissing her offer to step down as a ploy to avoid being ousted.

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### INTERNATIONAL

#### US car sales heat up in November, boosted by discounts

Deep discounts and extra selling days boosted US car sales in November among many brands, as Black Friday shopping helped reverse three months of year-over-year declines, automakers reported Thursday.



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