





ECONOMIC INDICATORS




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[Q3 2018 Gross Domestic Product](#)




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[October 2018 Inflation Rate](#)




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[Q3 2018 Consumer Confidence](#)



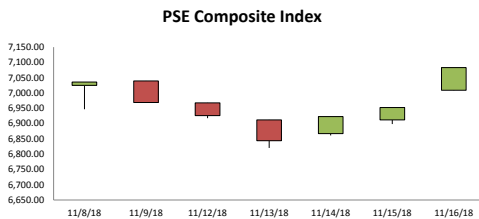
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[Q3 2018 Auto-buying Intention](#)

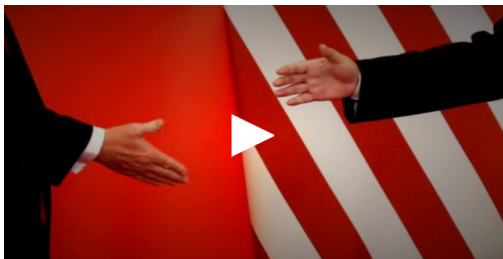


52.72 ↑

[Daily Peso – Dollar Exchange Rate](#)



GLOBAL WATCHLIST



Trump absent as ASEAN hears protectionist warnings

He may not be there, but Donald Trump's influence is keenly felt at this week's summit of Asian nations amid warnings of a 'domino effect' of protectionism throughout the region.

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MACROECONOMIC SNAPSHOT

Gov't action to bring inflation back to 2-4% – BSP

The implementation of two anti-inflation measures – rice tariffication and temporary suspension of the excise tax on fuel – should be enough to temper upside risks to future inflation and keep it within the two-four percent target.



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Moody's unit sees 'strong' GDP growth

Slower inflation would help ensure that the Philippines can maintain above-six percent economic growth in the coming years, Moody's Analytics said, amid signs that price pressures are now finally easing.



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FINANCIAL TRENDS

Big banks' net profit up 9% as of Sept.

Big banks reported combined net profits of P116.07 billion as of end-September, up 9.23 percent from same time last year of P106.26 billion with increased loans to corporations and continued financial health overall.



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INDUSTRY NEWS

China's Highest-Quality, Safest Car Brand, GAC, Arrives in the Philippines

Guangzhou Automobile Motor Corporation or GAC Motor is finally in the Philippines after it appointed Legado Motors, Inc. (LMI) as its exclusive distributor.



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INTERNATIONAL

Chinese Carmaker Xpeng to Launch First Electric Offering in December

Alibaba-backed Xpeng Motors has reportedly invested billions of dollars in research and development in its attempt to challenge Tesla and establish itself as a major player in the electric vehicle (EV) market.



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