

FOMC cuts by quarter-point in September, as downside risks to employment have risen

Talking Points

In the latest Take Five released Friday, September 19, 2025, Senior Business Economist Kathleen Navin discusses...

The September 17, 2025, Federal Open Market Committee (FOMC) Policy Statement:

- Labor Market and Inflation
 - Unemployment rate has edged up but remains low.
 - Inflation has moved up and remains somewhat elevated.
- The Federal Funds Target Range
 - The FOMC decided to lower the target range for the federal funds rate by ¼ percentage point to 4 to 4 ¼ percent.
- Monetary Policy
 - The FOMC will continue to monitor the implications of incoming information for the economic outlook and would be prepared to adjust the stance of monetary policy as appropriate if risks emerge that could impede the attainment of the FOMC's goals.

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Resources

- FOMC Statement
- FOMC Press Conference
- Projection Materials
- Implementation Note