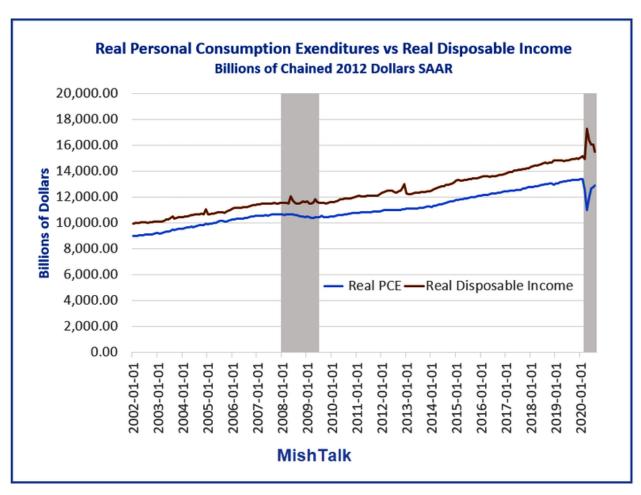


In the latest personal income and spending reports, income was down but spending was up even as stimulus measures run out.



Real Investment Report

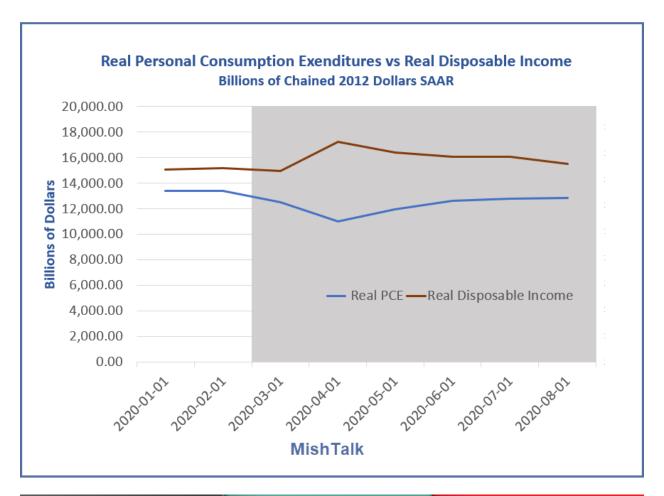
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Personal Income & Outlays

The Personal Income and Outlays, report for August 2020 shows increasing stress on consumers.

Real PCE vs Real DPI 2020 Detail





Increasing Consumer Stress

Personal Income and Outlays

2020

	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.
	Percent change from preceding month				
Personal income:					
Current dollars	12.2	-4.2	-1.2	0.5	-2.7
Disposable personal income:					
Current dollars	14.8	-4.8	-1.5	0.3	-3.2
Chained (2012) dollars	15.5	-5.0	-2.0	0.0	-3.5
Personal consumption expenditures (PCE):					
Current dollars	-12.7	8.7	6.5	1.5	1.0
Chained (2012) dollars	-12.3	8.5	5.9	1.1	0.7
Price indexes:					
PCE	-0.5	0.2	0.5	0.4	0.3
PCE, excluding food and energy	-0.4	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.3
Price indexes:	Percent change from month one year ago				
PCE	0.5	0.5	0.9	1.1	1.4
PCE, excluding food and energy	0.9	1.0	1.1	1.4	1.6

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Personal income decreased 2.7 percent while consumer spending increased 1.0 percent in August. Real disposable income declined 3.5% while real spending rose 0.7%.



Stimulus Runs Out

The Covid \$600 stimulus checks ended July 25.

The \$300 stimulus checks ended September 5.

For details, please see Trump's \$300 Lost Wage Assistance Benefit Ended in 10 States

Fiscal stimulus has has run its course. Without more stimulus both stronger incomes and spending are at risk.