

## The FOMC Has Much to Consider

The Federal Reserve's policy setting Federal Open Market Committee (FOMC) gathers next week to consider the stance of monetary policy. Their task, which by its very nature entails some degree of attempting to predict the future, was already complicated by President Trump's trade and tariff policies and a very uncertain economic environment. This week's string of economic data and geopolitical events did nothing to ease the challenge facing the FOMC.

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