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# The Heym Report

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#### NYC Employment (thousands)

Source: NYS Dept of Labor

| INDUSTRY                                | SEP-18  | SEP-17  | NET<br>CHANGE | PERCENT<br>CHANGE |
|---|---------|---------|---------------|-------------------|
| Education and Health<br>Services        | 993.4   | 953.0   | 40.4          | 4.2%              |
| Leisure and Hospitality                 | 469.2   | 457.9   | 11.3          | 2.5%              |
| Construction                            | 160.6   | 153.9   | 6.7           | 4.4%              |
| Professional and Business<br>Services   | 752.5   | 746.4   | 6.1           | 0.8%              |
| Other Services                          | 194.2   | 191.5   | 2.7           | 1.4%              |
| Trade, Transportation, and<br>Utilities | 635.0   | 632.6   | 2.4           | 0.4%              |
| Financial Activities                    | 471.8   | 469.5   | 2.3           | 0.5%              |
| Local Government                        | 452.3   | 451.9   | 0.4           | 0.1%              |
| Information                             | 200.3   | 200.2   | 0.1           | 0.0%              |
| Manufacturing                           | 72.7    | 72.8    | -0.1          | -0.1%             |
| State Government                        | 43.2    | 43.4    | -0.2          | -0.5%             |
| Federal Government                      | 48.4    | 49.4    | -1.0          | -2.0%             |
| Total                                   | 4,493.6 | 4,422.5 | 71.1          | 1.6%              |

#### NYC Adds 71,100 Jobs

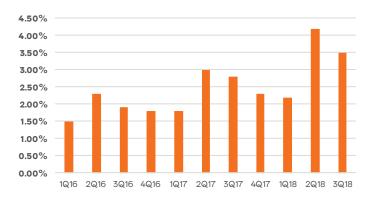
- Employment in NYC was 1.6% higher in September than a year ago, with 71,100 jobs added.
- Education and health services continued to fuel job gains, adding over 40,000 workers during the past year.
- Manufacturing was the only private-sector industry to lose jobs compared to a year ago.

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## **Quarterly Economic Growth**

Source: BEA



## U.S. Economy Growing at a 3.5% Pace

- Gross domestic product expanded at a 3.5% annual pace in the third quarter, higher than most economists expected.
- Combined with the second quarter's 4.2% growth rate, this marks the best six-month growth period in four years.
- Consumer spending, which accounts for more than twothirds of GDP, grew at its fastest pace in almost four years.

#### **Average 30-Year Mortgage Rate**

Source: Freddie Mad



### **Strong Growth Continues to Push Rates Higher**

- Rates for 30-year conventional mortgages averaged 4.86% during the week ending October 25th, slightly higher than the prior week.
- · One year ago, rates were averaging 3.94%.
- The acceleration of economic growth in the U.S. continues to push mortgage rates higher, leading to a slowdown in home buying across the country.

