

Northwest Natural Gas Company
GDP Growth Rate Forecast

	Nominal GDP	% Change	GDP Price Deflator	% Change	CPI	% Change
1947	244.2		15.5		22.3	
1948	269.2	10.2%	16.4	5.6%	24.1	7.7%
1949	267.3	-0.7%	16.4	-0.2%	23.8	-1.0%
1950	293.8	9.9%	16.5	1.0%	24.1	1.1%
1951	339.3	15.5%	17.7	7.2%	26.0	7.9%
1952	358.4	5.6%	18.0	1.7%	26.6	2.3%
1953	379.4	5.9%	18.2	1.2%	26.8	0.8%
1954	380.4	0.3%	18.4	1.0%	26.9	0.3%
1955	414.8	9.0%	18.7	1.8%	26.8	-0.2%
1956	437.5	5.5%	19.4	3.5%	27.2	1.4%
1957	461.1	5.4%	20.0	3.3%	28.1	3.4%
1958	467.2	1.3%	20.5	2.3%	28.9	2.7%
1959	506.6	8.4%	20.8	1.2%	29.2	1.0%
1960	526.4	3.9%	21.0	1.4%	29.6	1.5%
1961	544.7	3.5%	21.3	1.1%	29.9	1.0%
1962	585.6	7.5%	21.6	1.4%	30.3	1.2%
1963	617.8	5.5%	21.8	1.1%	30.6	1.3%
1964	663.6	7.4%	22.1	1.5%	31.0	1.3%
1965	719.1	8.4%	22.5	1.8%	31.6	1.6%
1966	787.8	9.5%	23.2	2.8%	32.5	3.0%
1967	832.6	5.7%	23.9	3.1%	33.4	2.7%
1968	910.0	9.3%	24.9	4.3%	34.8	4.2%
1969	984.6	8.2%	26.1	5.0%	36.7	5.4%
1970	1038.5	5.5%	27.5	5.3%	38.8	5.9%
1971	1127.1	8.5%	28.9	5.0%	40.5	4.2%
1972	1238.3	9.9%	30.2	4.3%	41.8	3.3%
1973	1382.7	11.7%	31.8	5.6%	44.4	6.3%
1974	1500.0	8.5%	34.7	9.1%	49.3	11.0%
1975	1638.3	9.2%	38.0	9.4%	53.8	9.1%
1976	1825.3	11.4%	40.2	5.8%	56.9	5.8%
1977	2030.9	11.3%	42.7	6.3%	60.6	6.5%
1978	2294.7	13.0%	45.7	7.0%	65.2	7.6%
1979	2563.3	11.7%	49.5	8.3%	72.6	11.3%
1980	2789.5	8.8%	54.0	9.1%	82.4	13.5%
1981	3128.4	12.1%	59.1	9.4%	90.9	10.4%
1982	3255.0	4.0%	62.7	6.1%	96.5	6.2%
1983	3536.7	8.7%	65.2	3.9%	99.6	3.2%
1984	3933.2	11.2%	67.6	3.8%	103.9	4.4%
1985	4220.3	7.3%	69.7	3.0%	107.6	3.5%
1986	4462.8	5.7%	71.2	2.2%	109.7	1.9%
1987	4739.5	6.2%	73.2	2.7%	113.6	3.6%
1988	5103.8	7.7%	75.7	3.4%	118.3	4.1%
1989	5484.4	7.5%	78.6	3.8%	123.9	4.8%
1990	5803.1	5.8%	81.6	3.9%	130.7	5.4%
1991	5995.9	3.3%	84.4	3.5%	136.2	4.2%
1992	6337.8	5.7%	86.4	2.3%	140.3	3.0%
1993	6657.4	5.0%	88.4	2.3%	144.5	3.0%
1994	7072.2	6.2%	90.3	2.1%	148.2	2.6%
1995	7397.7	4.6%	92.1	2.0%	152.4	2.8%
1996	7816.8	5.7%	93.8	1.9%	156.9	2.9%
1997	8304.3	6.2%	95.4	1.7%	160.5	2.3%
1998	8747.0	5.3%	96.5	1.1%	163.0	1.5%
1999	9268.4	6.0%	97.9	1.4%	166.6	2.2%
2000	9817.0	5.9%	100.0	2.2%	172.2	3.4%
2001	10128.0	3.2%	102.4	2.4%	177.0	2.8%
2002	10469.6	3.4%	104.2	1.7%	179.9	1.6%
2003	10960.8	4.7%	106.4	2.1%	184.0	2.3%
2004	11685.9	6.6%	109.5	2.9%	188.9	2.7%
2005	12433.9	6.4%	113.0	3.2%	195.3	3.4%
2006	13194.7	6.1%	116.6	3.2%	201.6	3.2%
2007	13843.0	4.9%	119.7	2.7%	207.3	2.9%
10-Year Average		5.2%		2.3%		2.6%
20-Year Average		5.5%		2.5%		3.1%
30-Year Average		6.6%		3.5%		4.2%
40-Year Average		7.3%		4.1%		4.7%
50-Year Average		7.1%		3.7%		4.1%
60-Year Average		7.0%		3.5%		3.8%
Average of Periods		6.5%		3.3%		3.8%

Source: St. Louis Federal Reserve Bank, www.research.stlouisfed.org