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Economic variable	Consensus
Average real annual GDP growth rate for 2025 (%)	1.0%
Average consumer inflation rate (CPI) for 2025 (%)	3.4%
Average prime interest rate in Q4 2025 (%)	10.5%
Average ZAR/USD exchange rate in Q4 2025 (ZAR)	R17.50
Average Brent Crude oil price in Q4 2025 (USD)	\$66.00
Average real annual household expenditure growth rate for 2025 (%)	1.8%
Average yield on long-term government bonds in Q4 2025 (%)	9.75%
Current Account Balance as % of GDP for 2025 (%)	-1.3%
Real annual global GDP growth rate for 2025 (%)	2.6%
Year-on-year growth rate in the number of employed in Q4 2025 (%)	0.7%

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