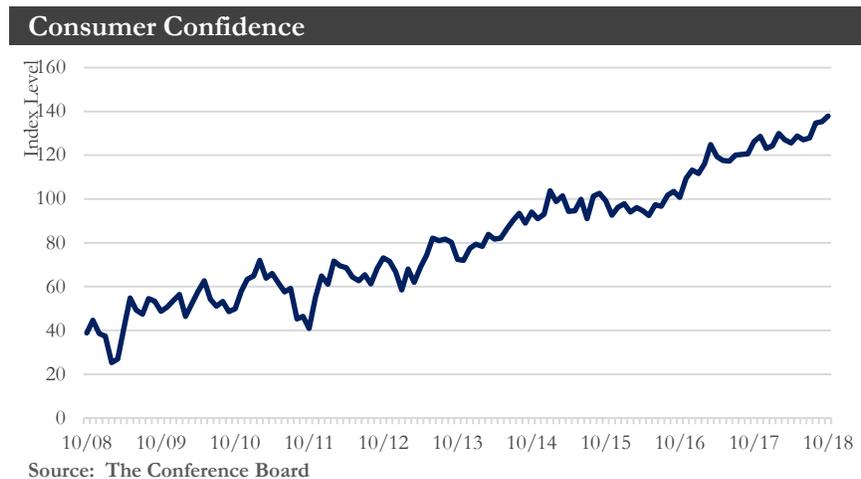


CMC UPDATE: Consumer Confidence Rises in October
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The consumer confidence index rose in October to 137.9, the highest in almost two decades as Americas expected economic growth and jobs growth to continue ahead despite recent stock market volatility. This is good news for the upcoming holiday shopping season.

Still, stock market movements and other headwinds could muddy the economic outlook with trade tensions and political uncertainty threatening the recent spurt of robust economic growth.



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