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## WASHINGTON WATCH



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### **Pfizer Announces COVID-19 Vaccine May Be More Than 90 Percent Effective**

The drug company Pfizer said that early analysis showed its vaccine candidate for COVID-19 is more than 90 percent effective in preventing infection.

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### **Biden Projected to Win White House After Taking Pennsylvania**

Former Vice President Joe Biden was projected to win the White House after taking an insurmountable lead in Pennsylvania, which gave him 273 electoral votes.

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### **Democrats Retain Control of House; Republicans Holding on in Senate**

Democrats are projected to keep control of the House after the General Election and Republicans are holding control in the Senate, pending the results of two runoffs in Georgia.

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### **Private Payroll Growth Slows in October, Well Below Expectations**



## Factory Orders Rise; Further Gains Uncertain

New orders for U.S.-made goods increased, but further gains could be limited amid an anticipated slowdown in consumer spending as COVID-19 government funds run out.

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## U.S. Formally Exits Paris Climate Agreement

The U.S. formally left the Paris Agreement, a global pact it helped forge five years ago to avert the threat of climate change.

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## Recruitment Push Fuels Record Number of Women in House GOP

House Republicans are poised to add at least 13 women – if not more – to their ranks next year after a record-breaking recruitment effort.

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## SCOTUS Receives Request for Extension to Respond to Refiners' Biofuel Petition

The Trump Administration has asked the Supreme Court for an extension to respond to a petition from oil refiners requesting that the court review a decision that cast doubt on a program exempting refiners from biofuel blending obligations.

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## Stock Market Rises as Investors Price in Gridlock in Washington

Wall Street's main indexes have surged recently as investors bet on a gridlock in Congress that would reduce the chance of major policy changes.

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