The three most important indicators are the following:

- **Real GDP**
- **Unemployment rate**
- **Inflation rate**

**Real Gross domestic product (GDP):**
→ Total expenditure on goods and services in a year, adjusted for the price level

**Unemployment rate:**
→ Percentage of the labor force out of work

**Inflation rate:**
→ Percentage change in the price level, in a year

The 3 indicators can also be formulated as **objectives:**
- Economic growth (increase in GDP)
- Full employment (no or little unemployment)
- Price stability (no or modest inflation)