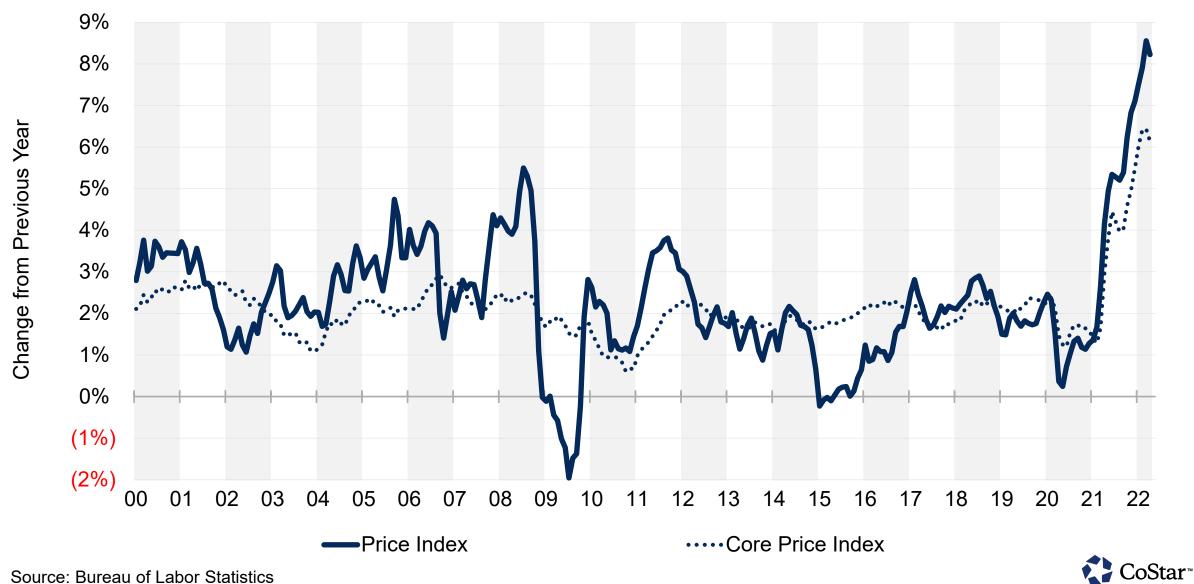
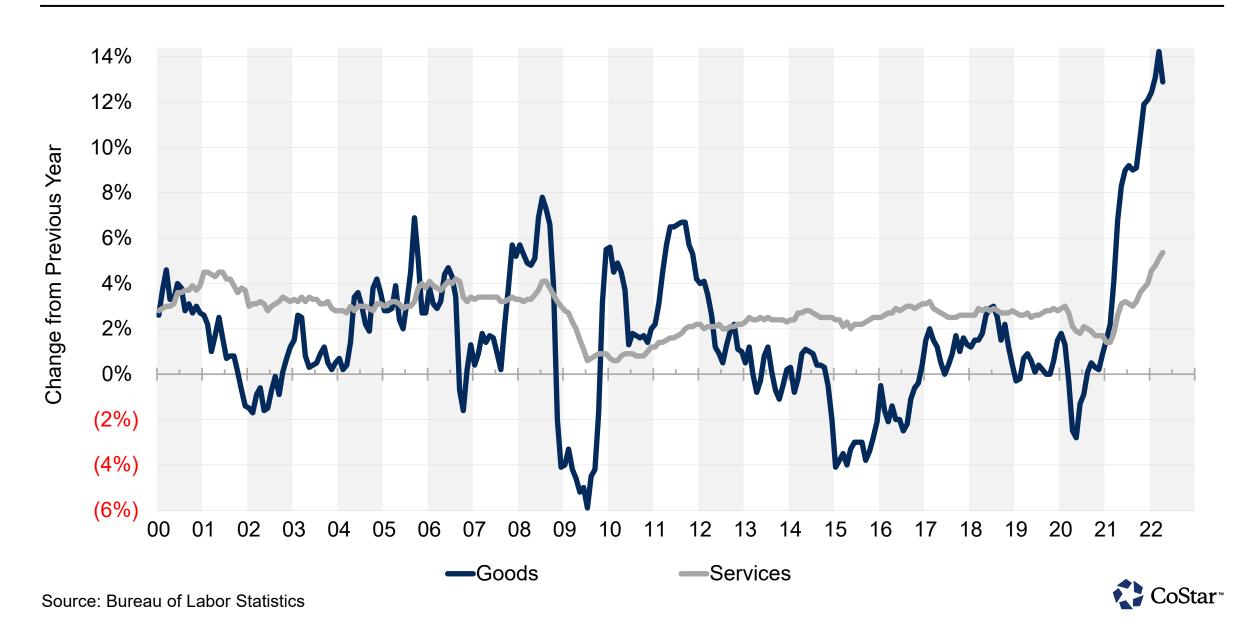


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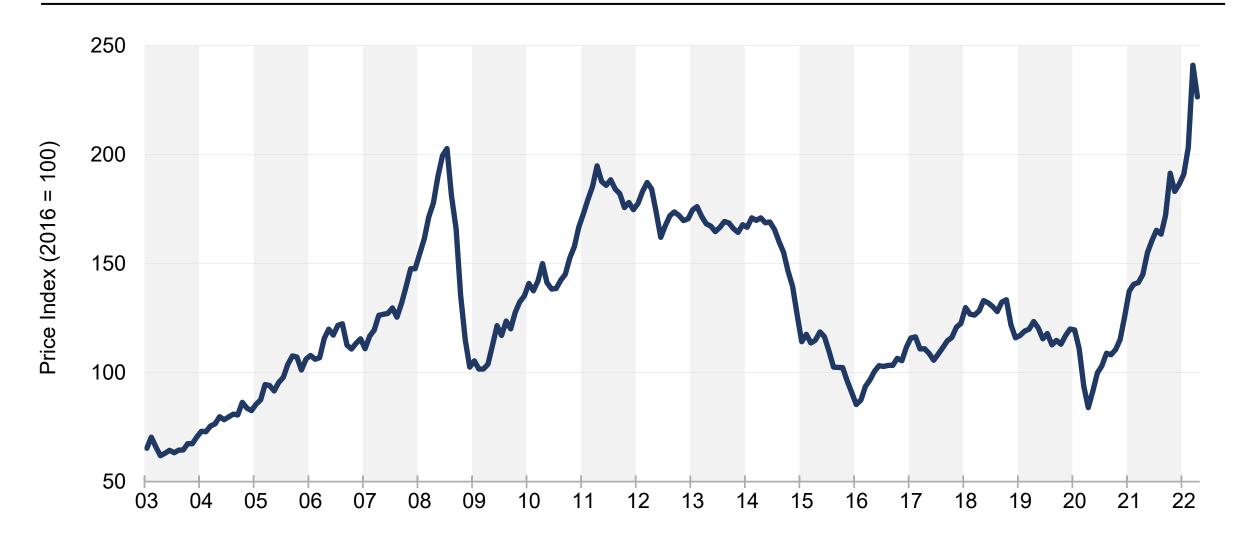


Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

# ... Driven Mostly by Goods, But Services Are Also Rising



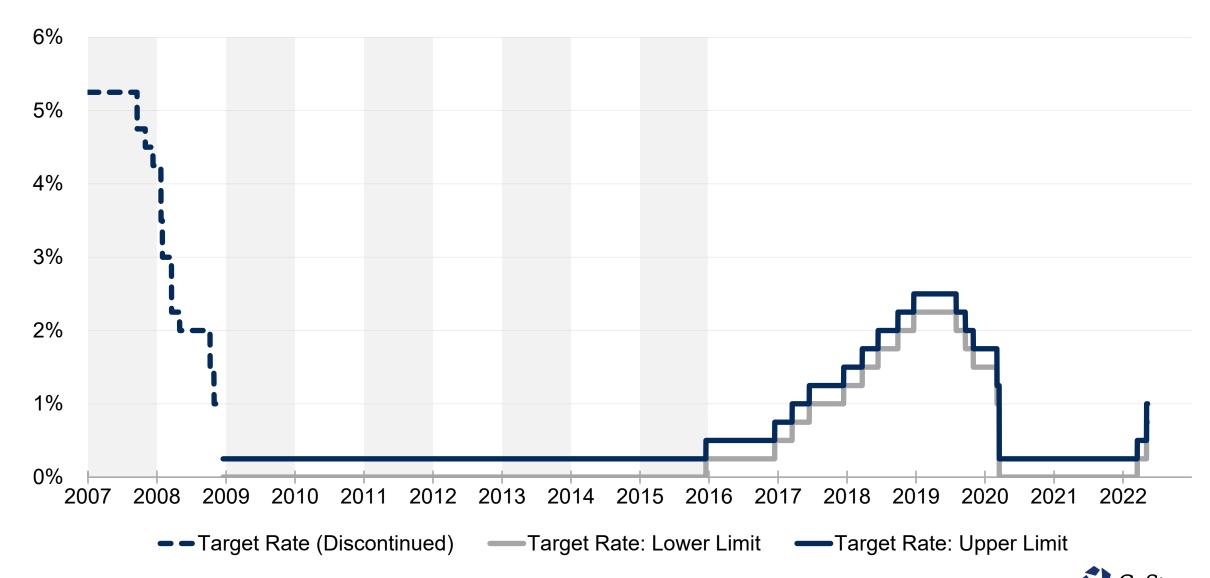
# **Commodity Prices Surged During the Pandemic**





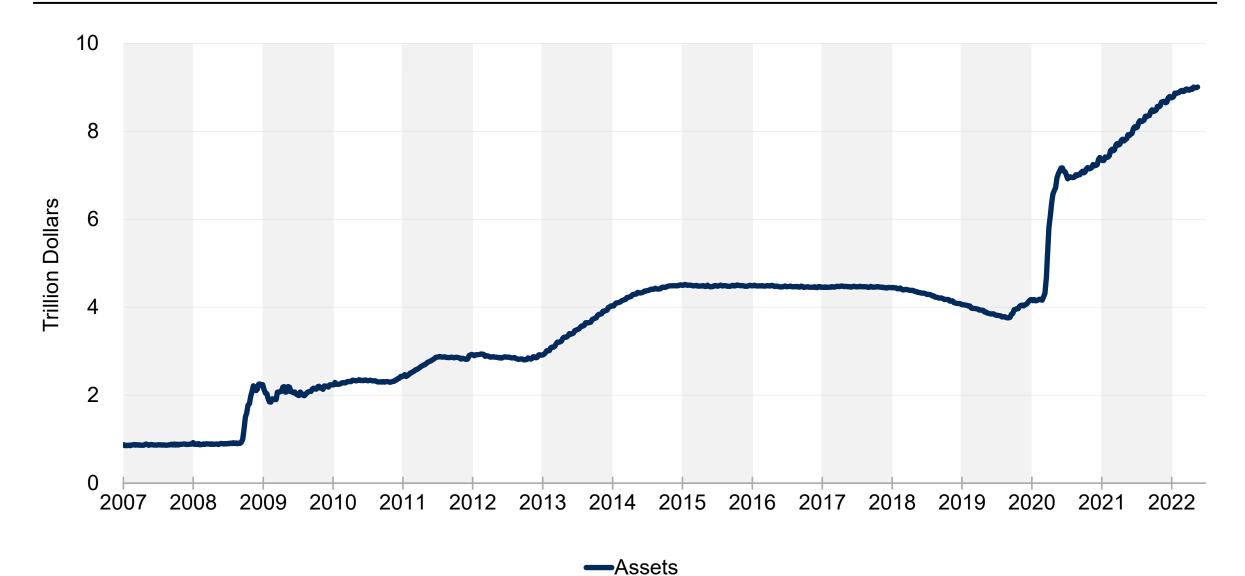
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### Federal Reserve Starts a Tightening Cycle



Source: Federal Reserve Board

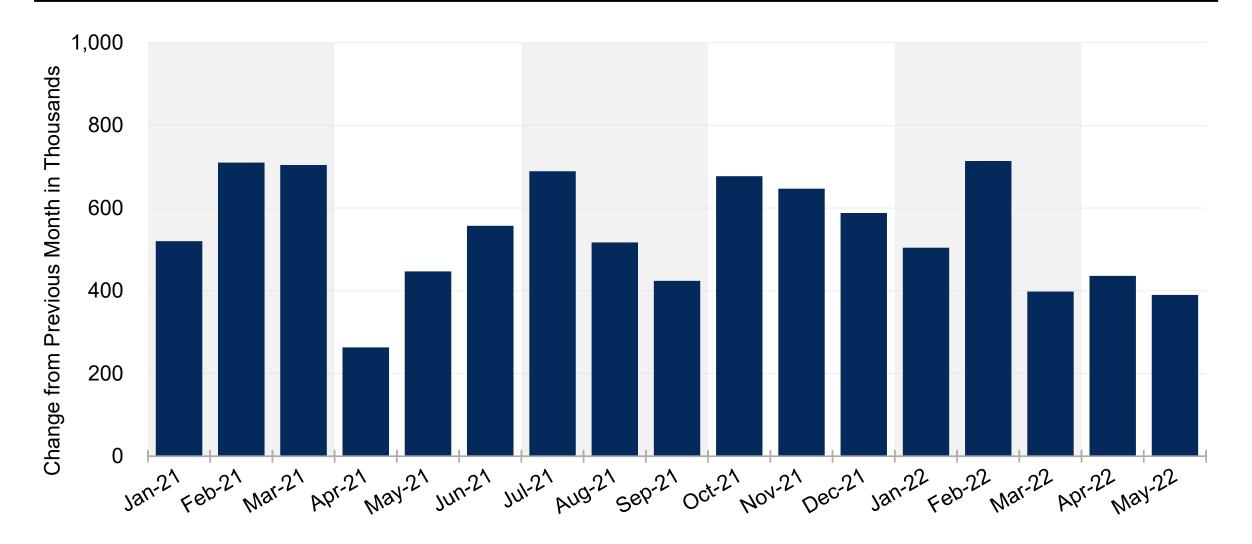
#### **Bloated Balance Sheet About to Be Trimmed**



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Source: Federal Reserve Board

# Monthly Job Gains Have Been Solid

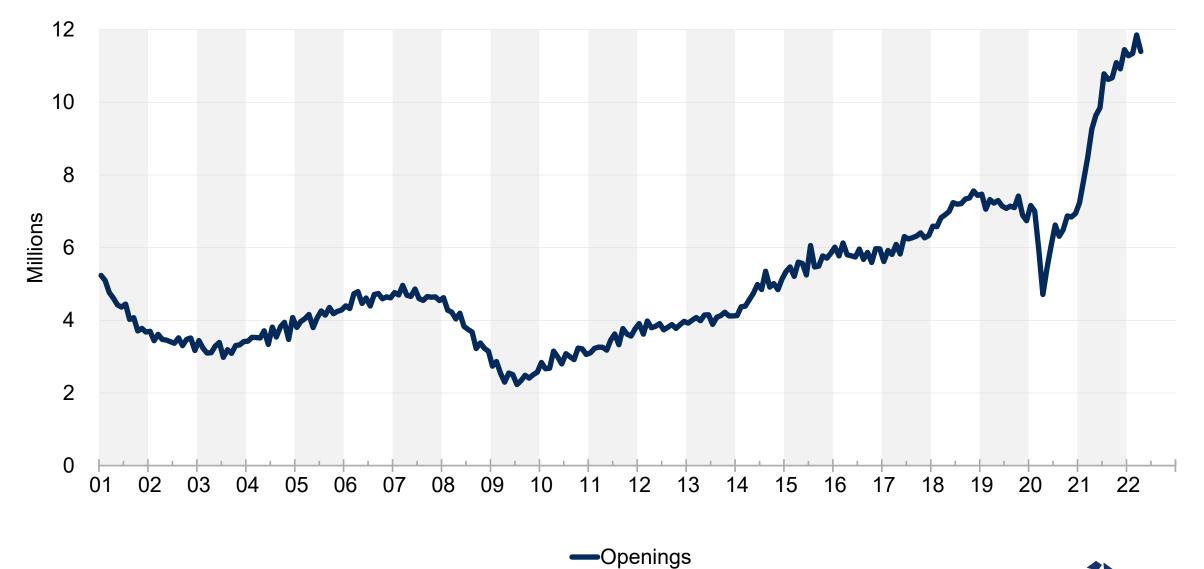


■ Nonfarm Employment Growth

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics



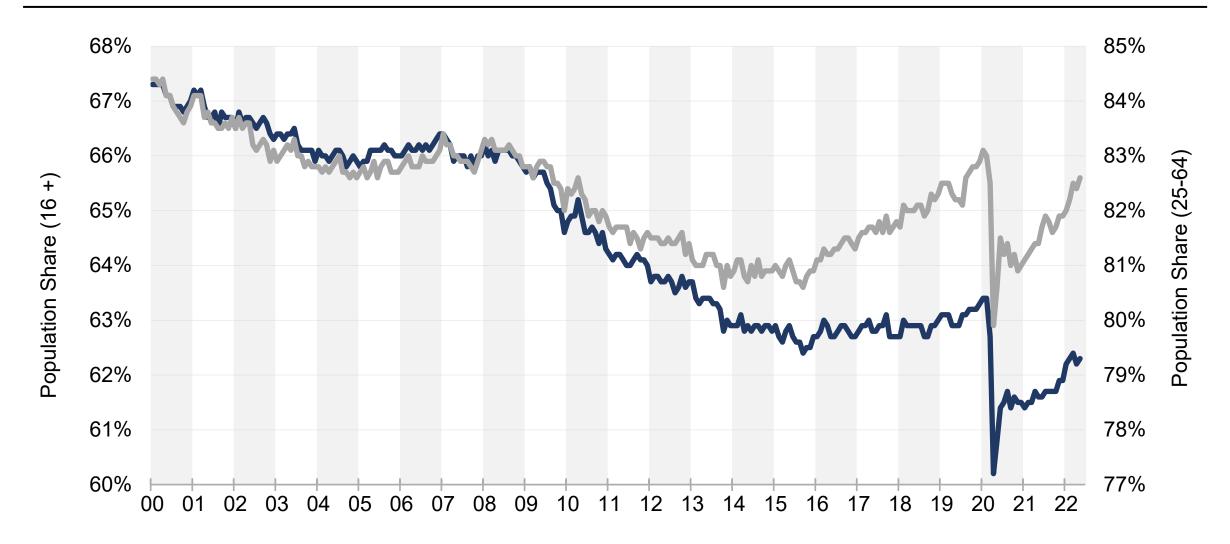
# **Job Vacancies Are Near Record Highs**



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Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

# Labor Supply Inching Higher But Still Below Pre-COVID Days

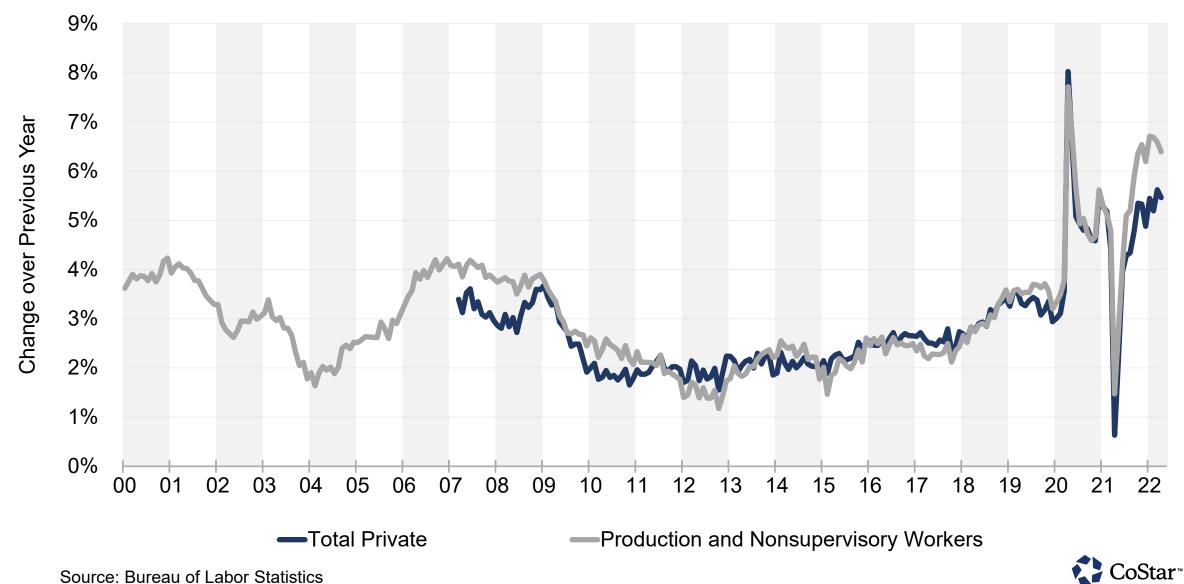


—16 Years and Older

-25 to 54 Years of Age

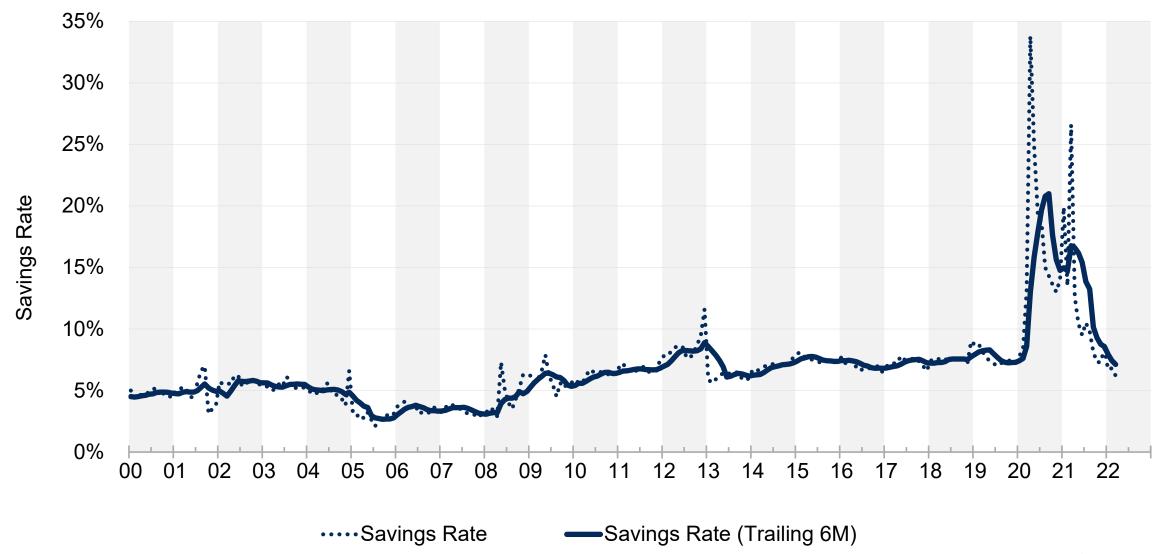


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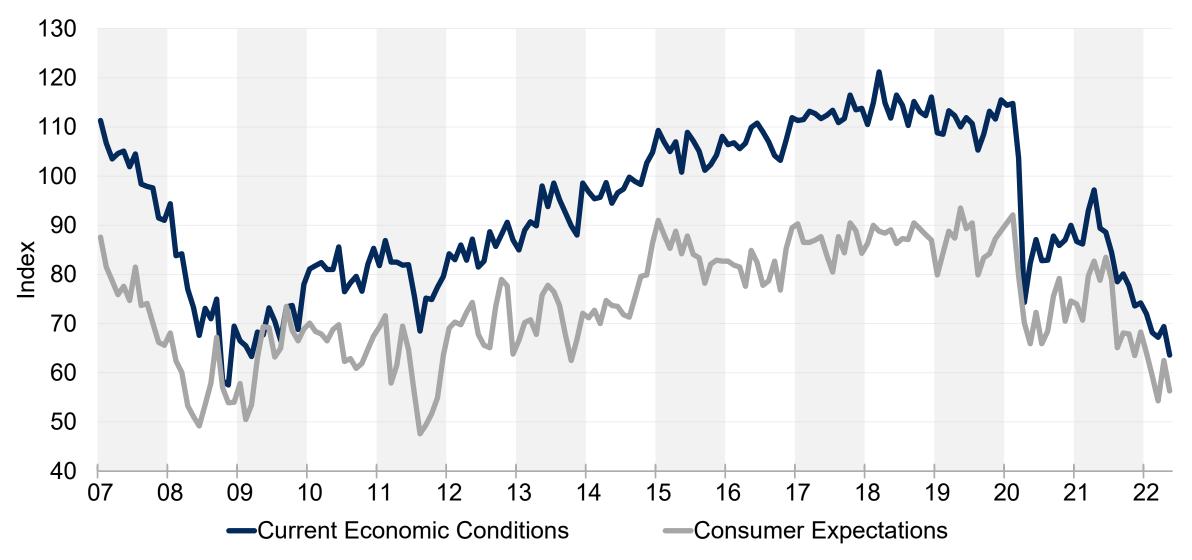
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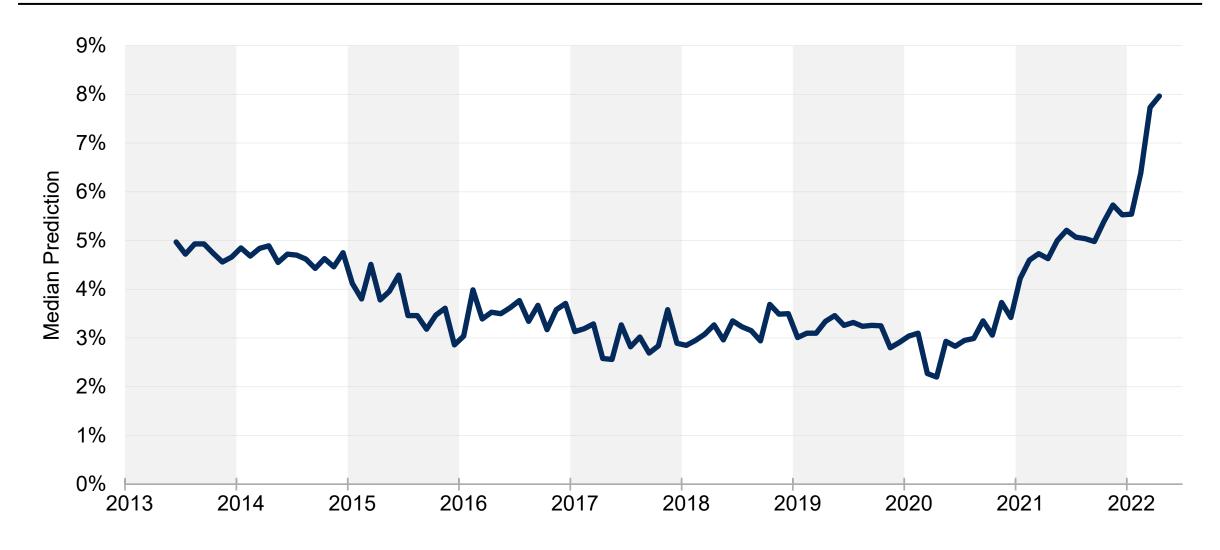
Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis

# **But Consumers Are Pretty Unhappy ...**





### ... But Expect to Speed Up Spending Anyway

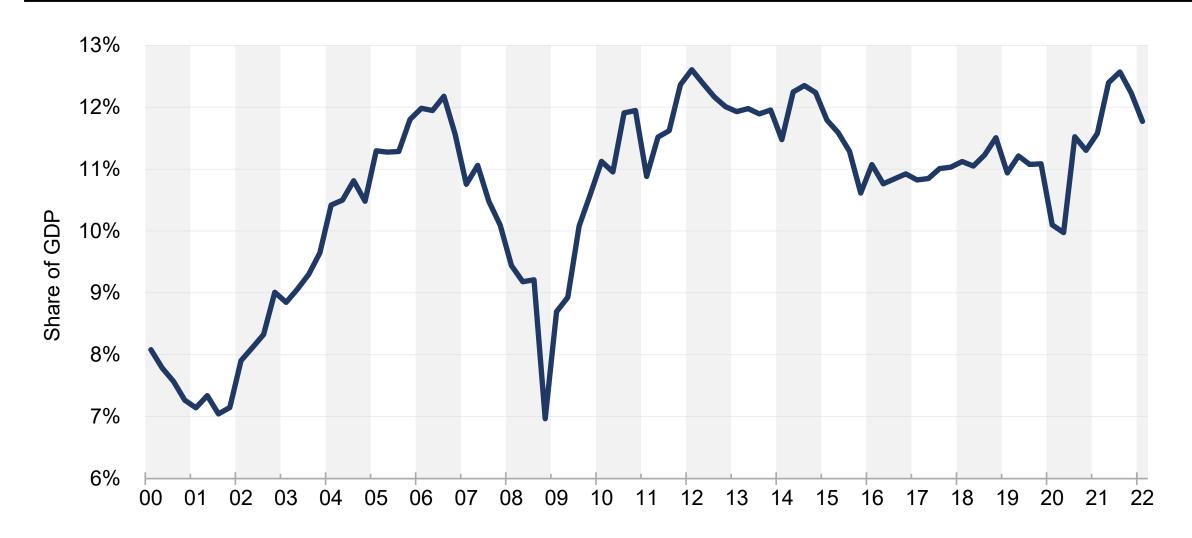


—Household Spending Growth Expectations (1-Year Ahead)

Source: Federal Reserve Bank of New York



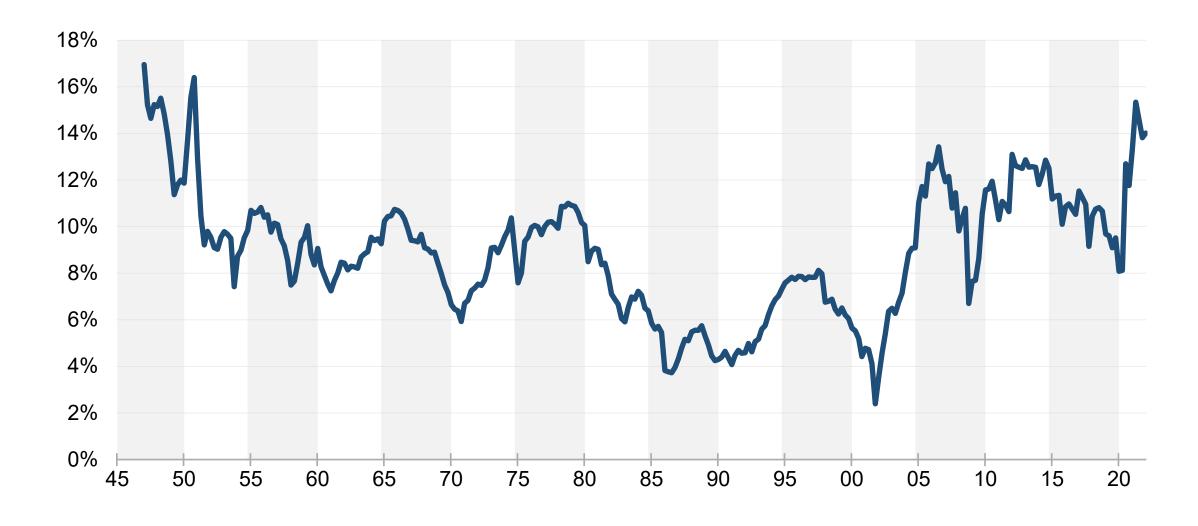
# Corporate Profits After-Tax Profits Strong ...

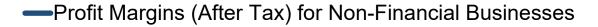






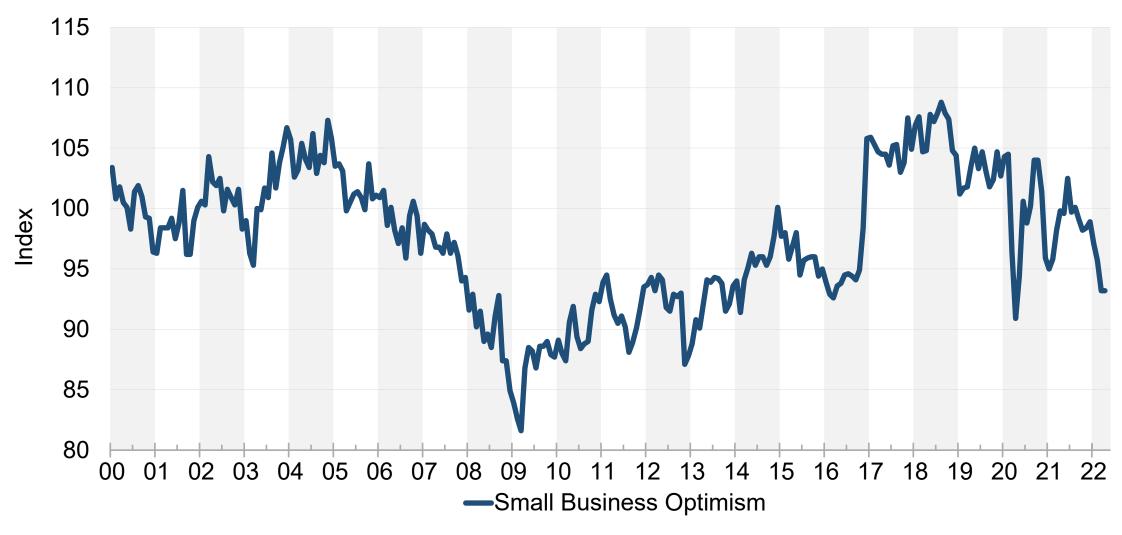
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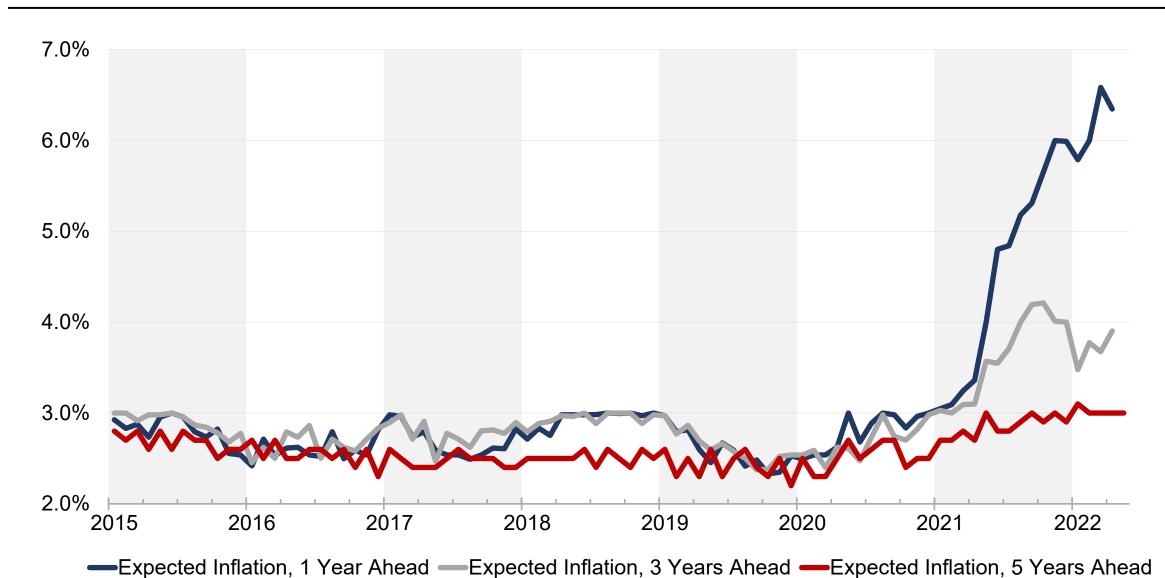


### **But Small Business Optimism Not Great**





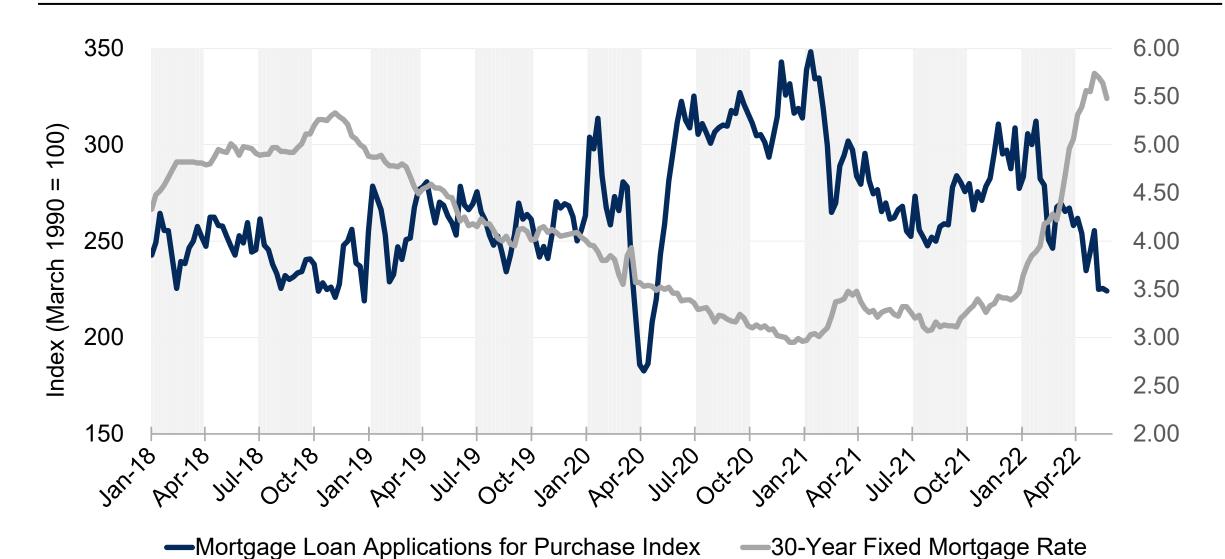
# **Consumers Expect Inflation to Fall in Coming Months**



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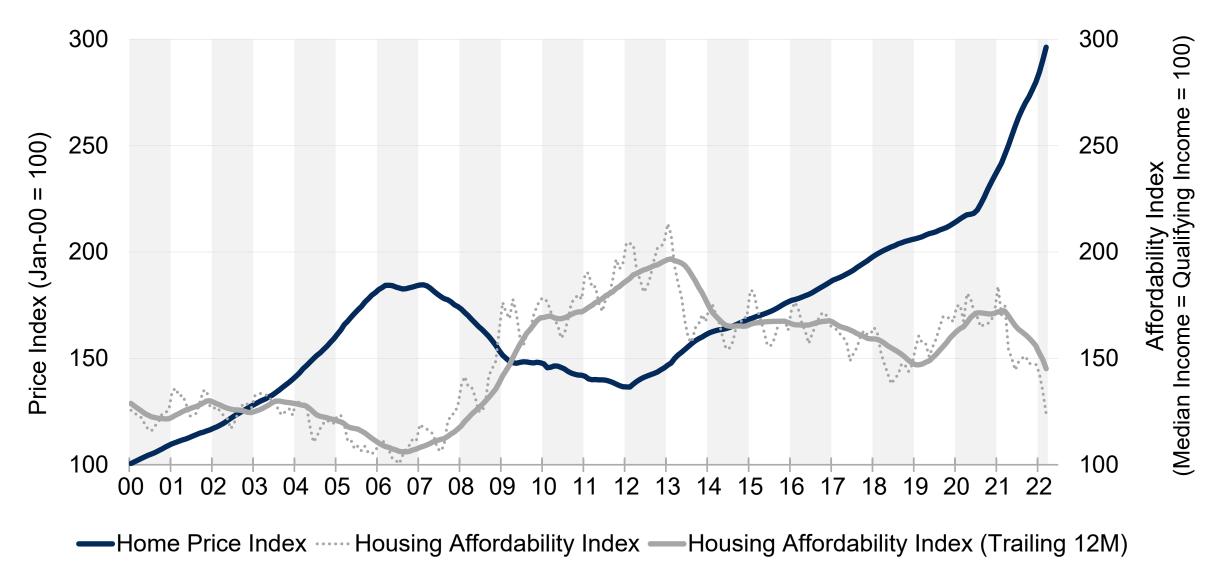
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### **Loan Applications Cool as Rates Rise**



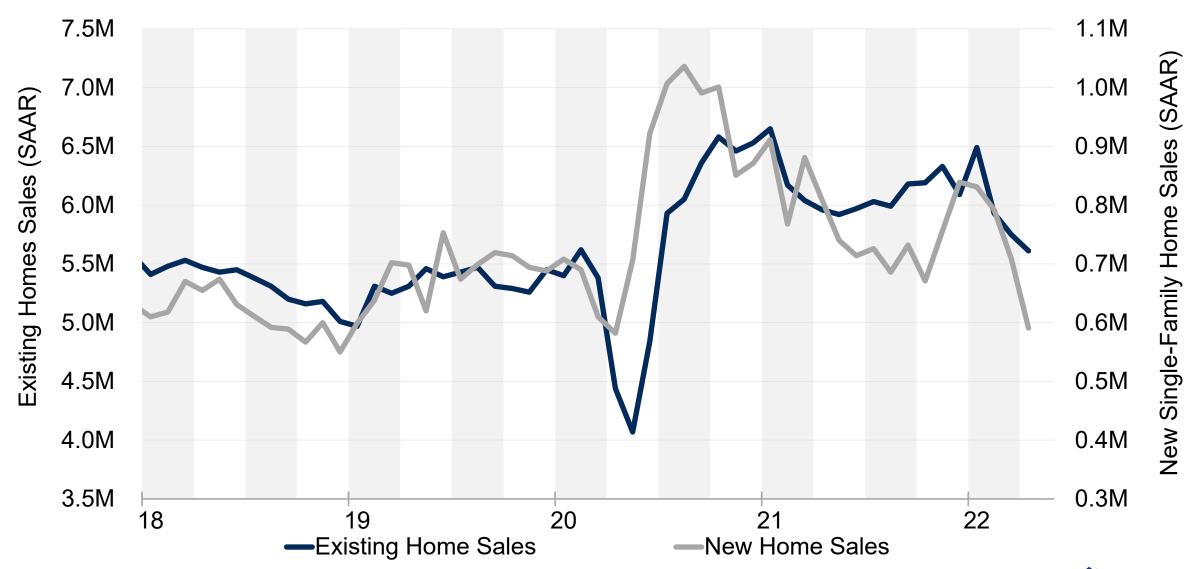


### Affordability Takes a Hit as Home Prices Rise



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# **Home Sales Finally Starting to Fall**



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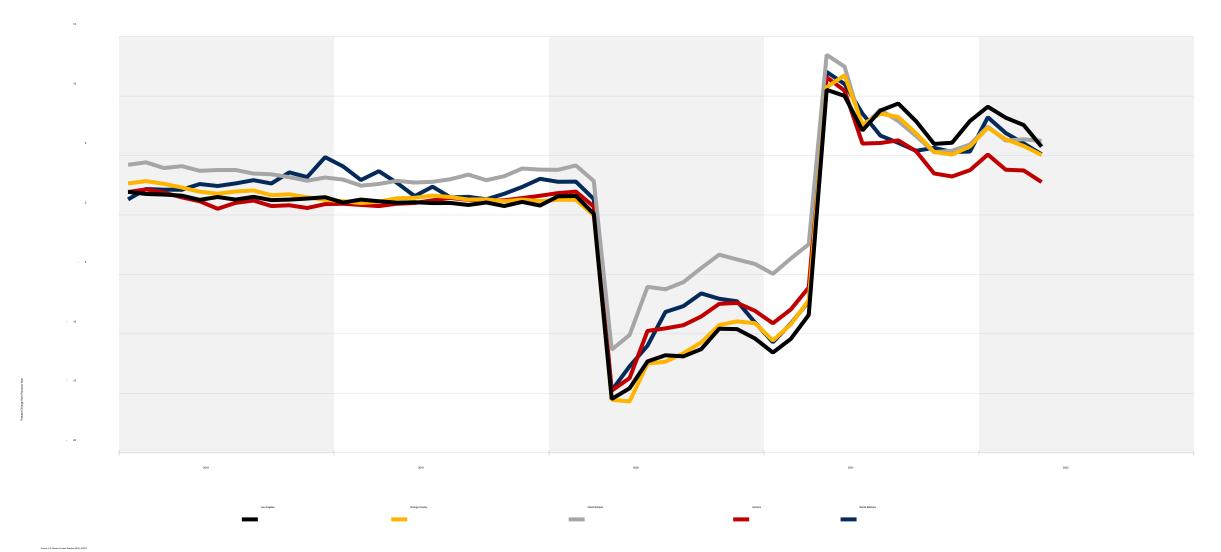
Sources: National Association of Realtors and Census Bureau

# **Economy Is Doing Well, But Risks Abound**

- Interest rates will rise, as the Fed tightens policy
- Moderate economic growth this year as consumer spending continues
- Full recovery in the labor market
- Inflation will come down as supply chains ease and demand cools
- Risks are still tilted to the downside:
  - Consumer spending may not live up to our expectations

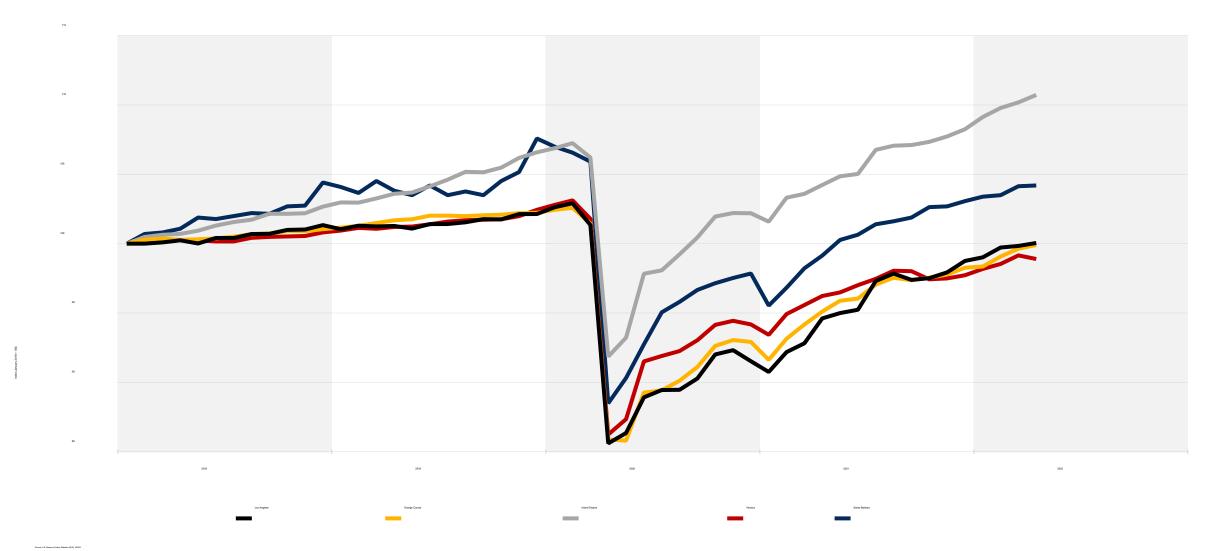
  - → Policy error the Fed may raise rates too quickly or tighten too much, triggering a recession



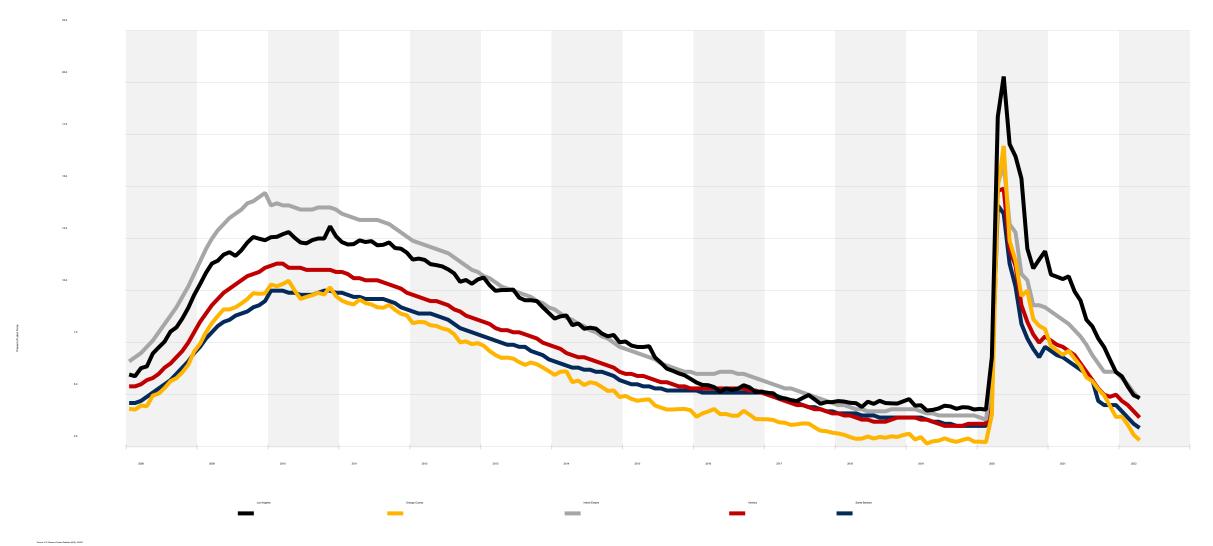




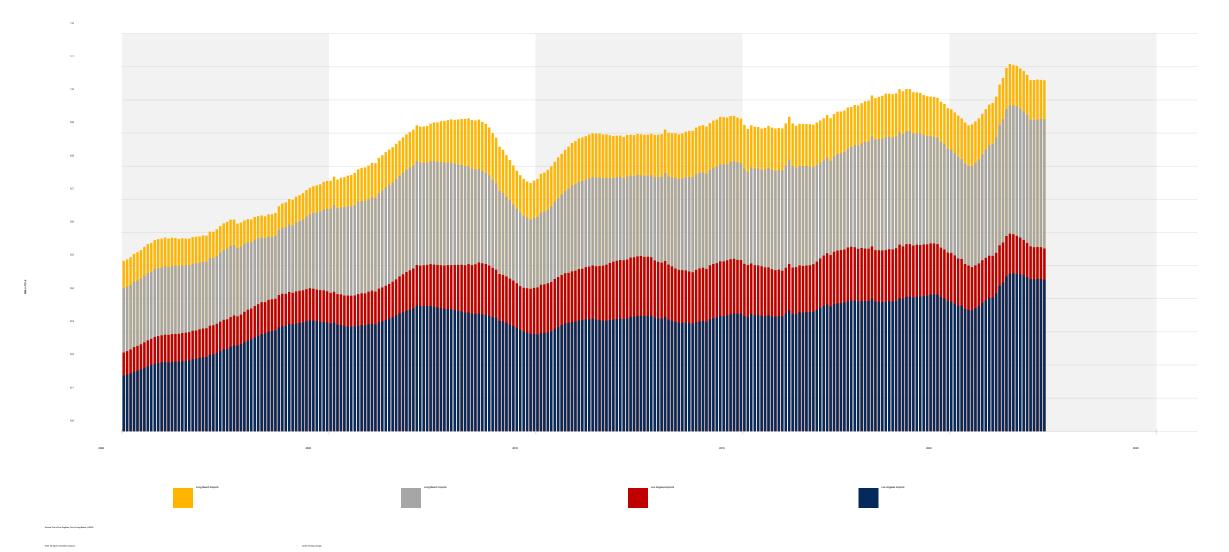
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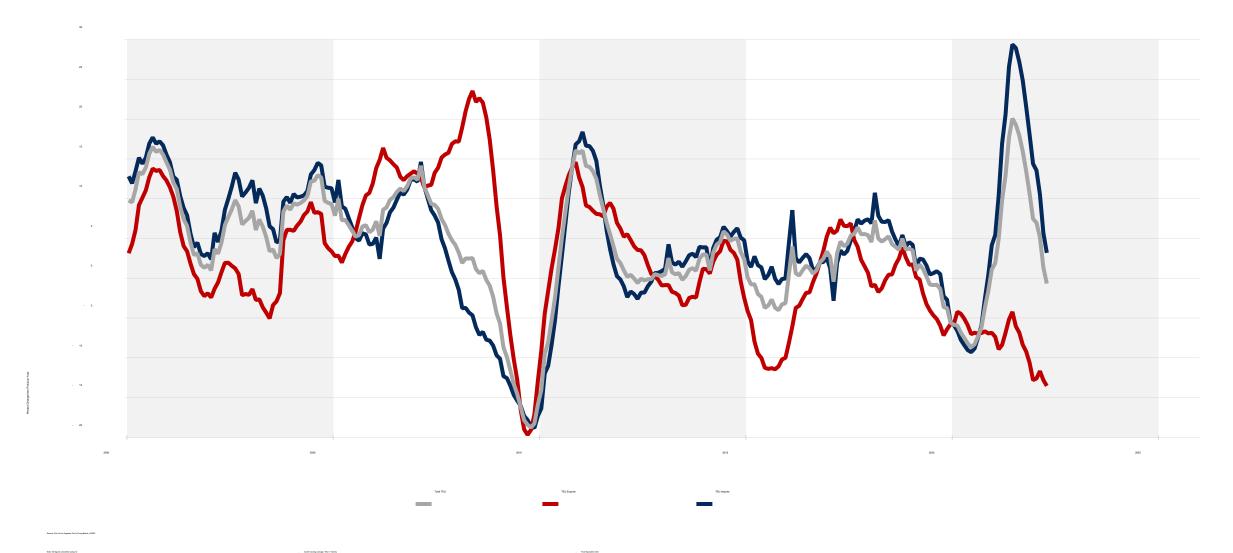






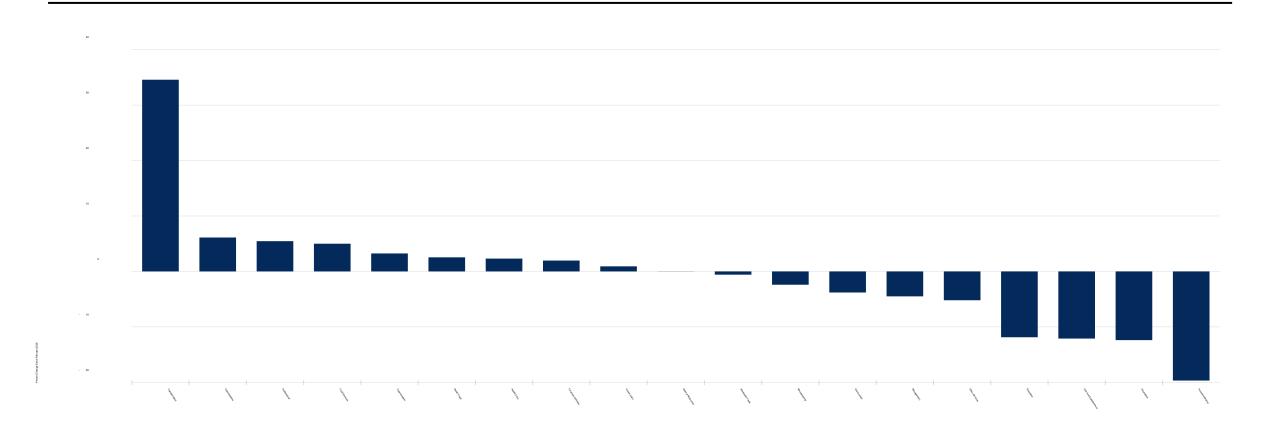








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