Economic Outlook

Fed Tightening Will Cause Mild Near-Term Recession

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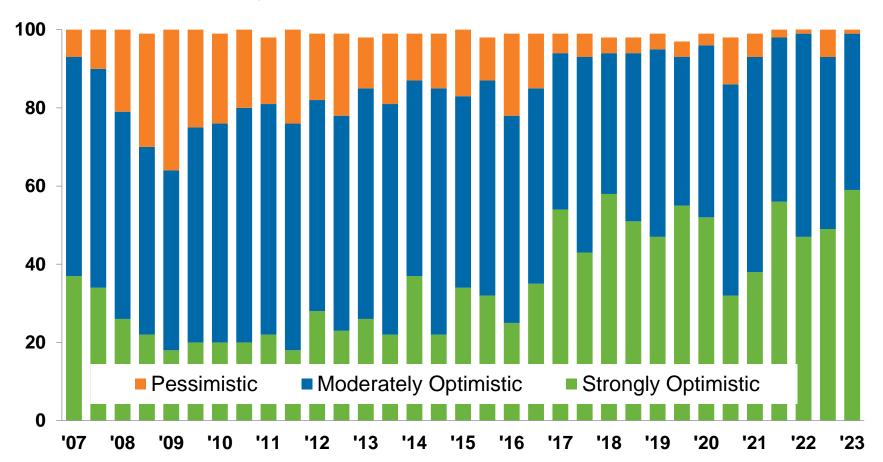
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Small Businesses Are Feeling Optimistic...



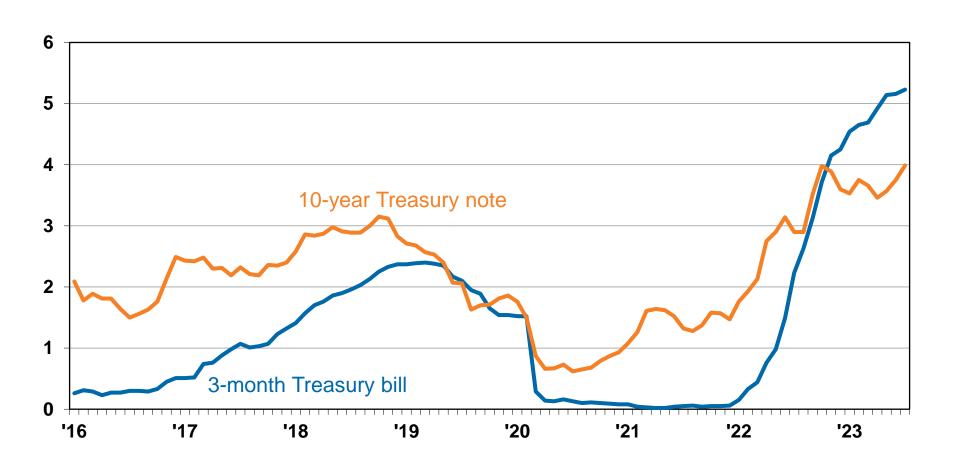
Expectations for own company's prospects, next 6 months, %



...But Interest Rates Have Increased Across the Board...

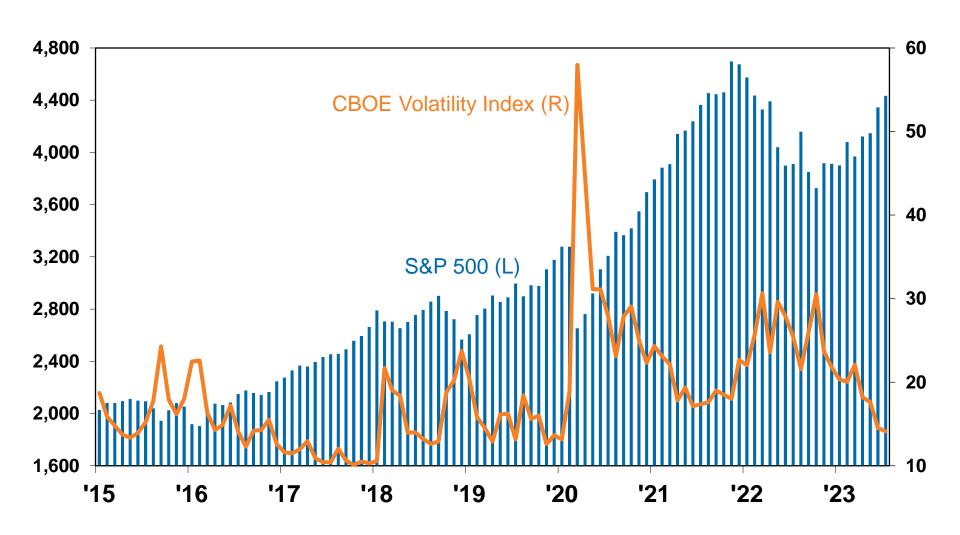


Yield, %



...And Investors Have Retrenched

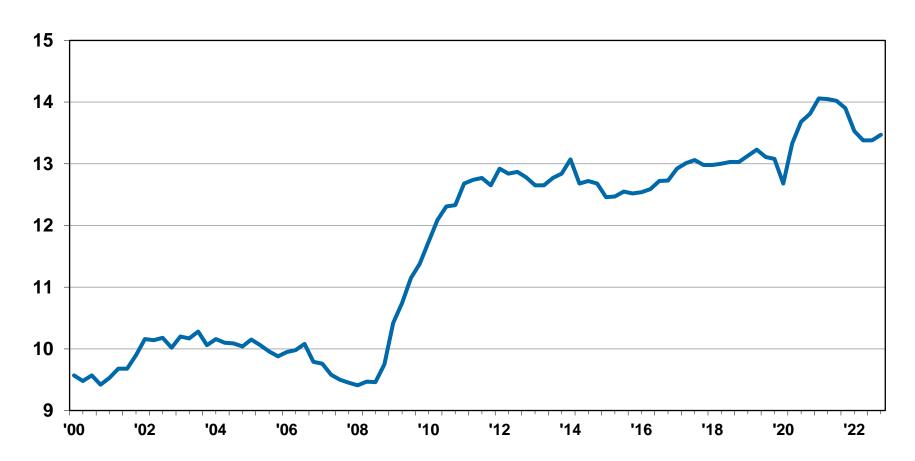




Banking System As a Whole Is Well-Capitalized...



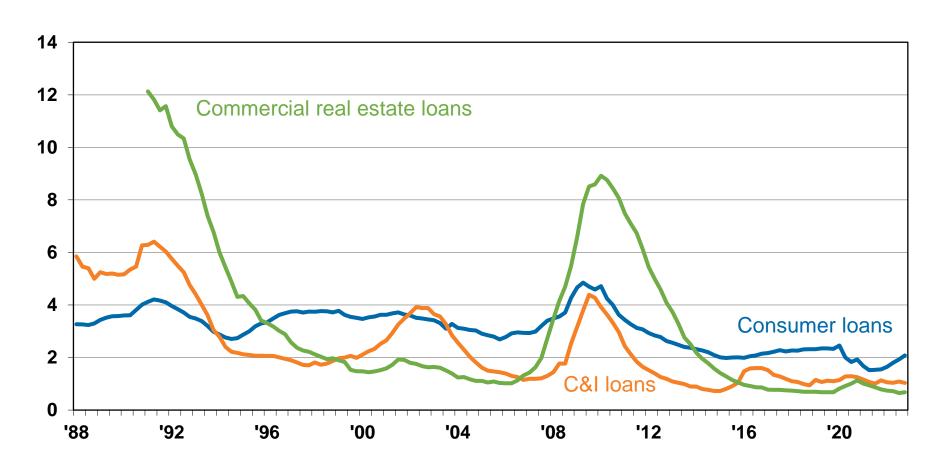
Tier 1 risk-based capital ratio, %



... Credit Quality Is in Great Shape...



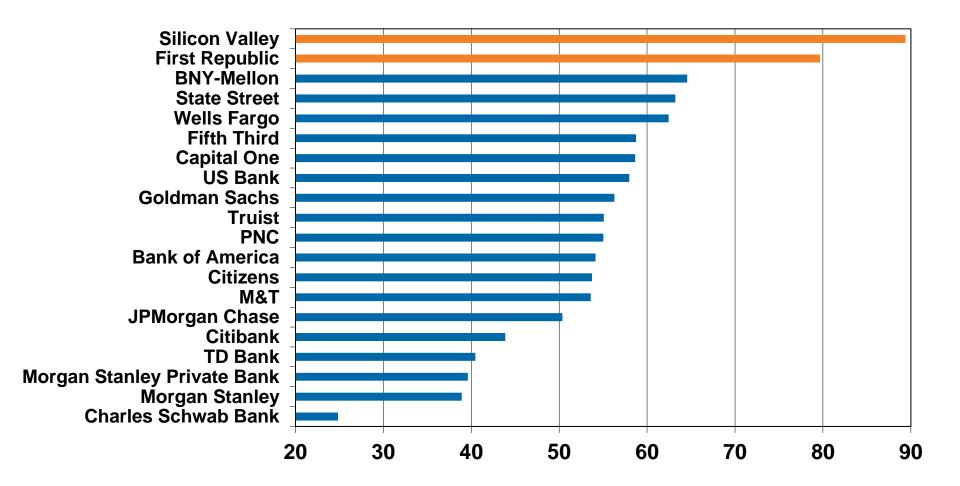
Delinquency rate, %



...And Risks Appear Isolated

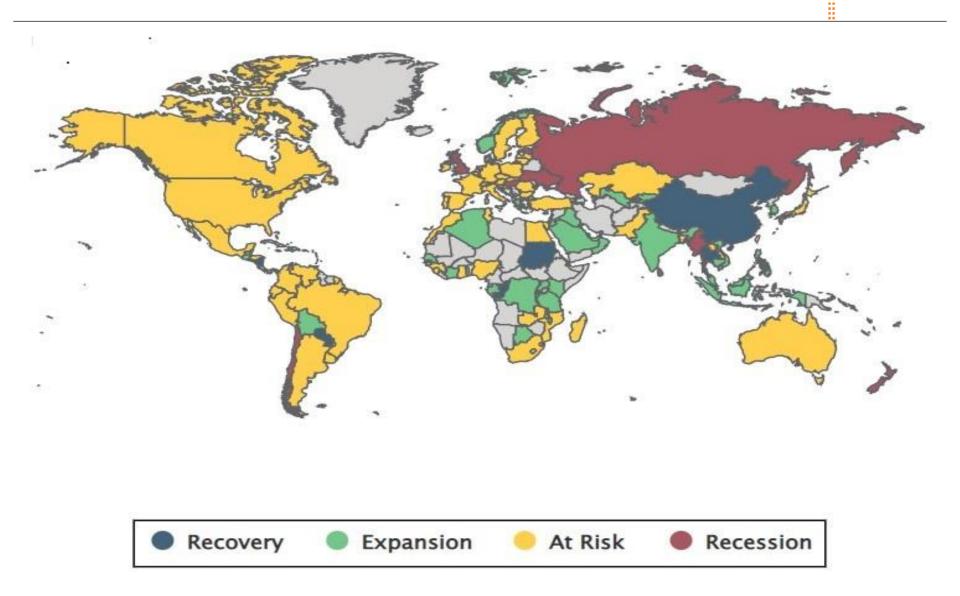


% of deposits that are uninsured, 20 largest commercial banks, 2022Q4



The Global Economy Is in Trouble

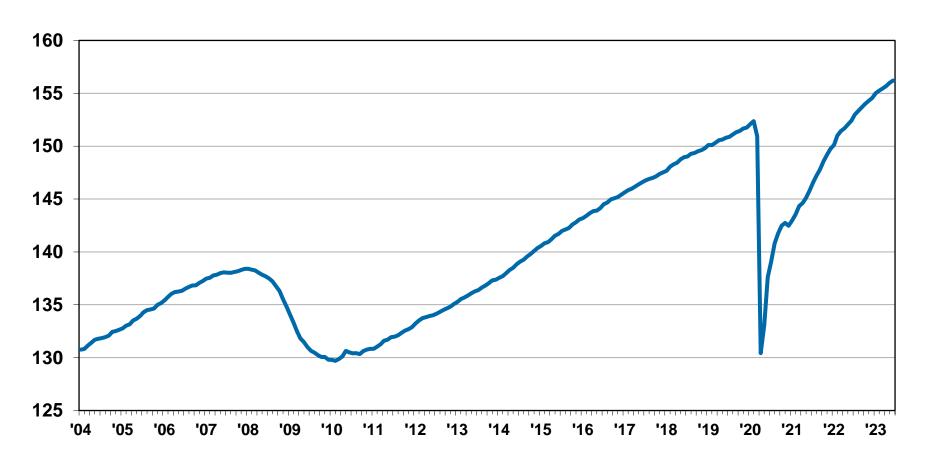




Employment Has Fully Recovered From the Pandemic



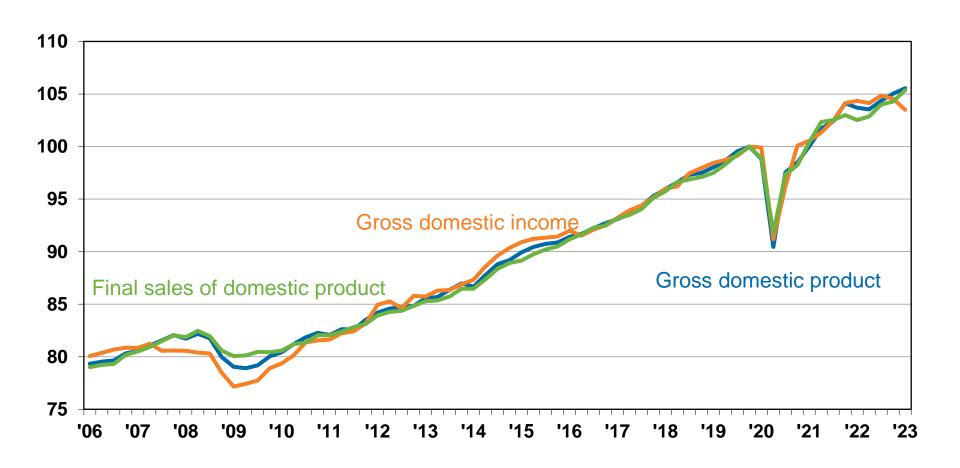
Establishment employment, mil



Economic Activity Now Above Pre-Pandemic Peak...



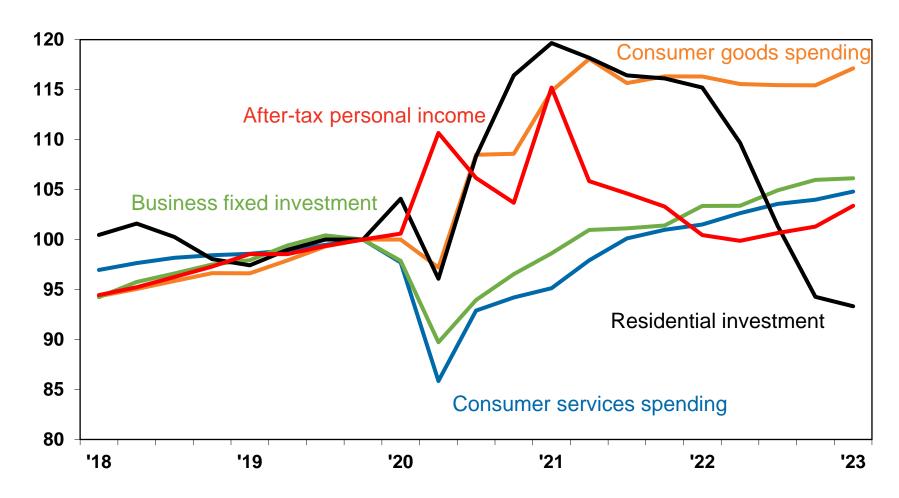
Real, index, 2019Q4=100



...But That Obscures Big Shifts in Activity



Real, index, 2019Q4=100



Global Supply Chain Pressures Are Now Below Average



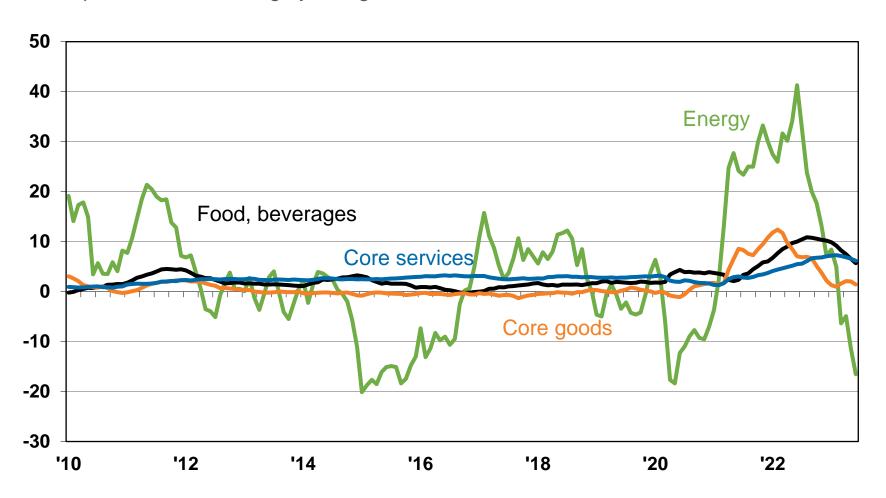
Global Supply Chain Pressure Index, standard deviations from average value



Acceleration in Core Services Inflation Is a Big Concern



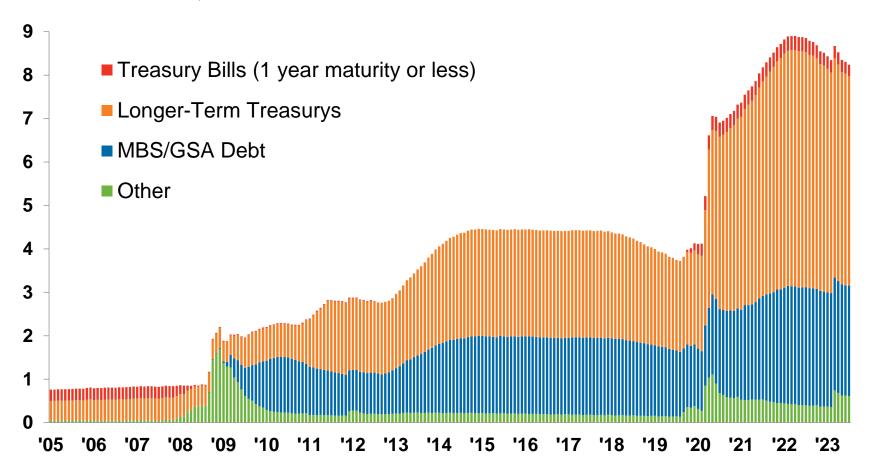
Consumer price index, % change year ago



Fed Balance Sheet Grew in March With Banking Crisis, But Is Falling Again

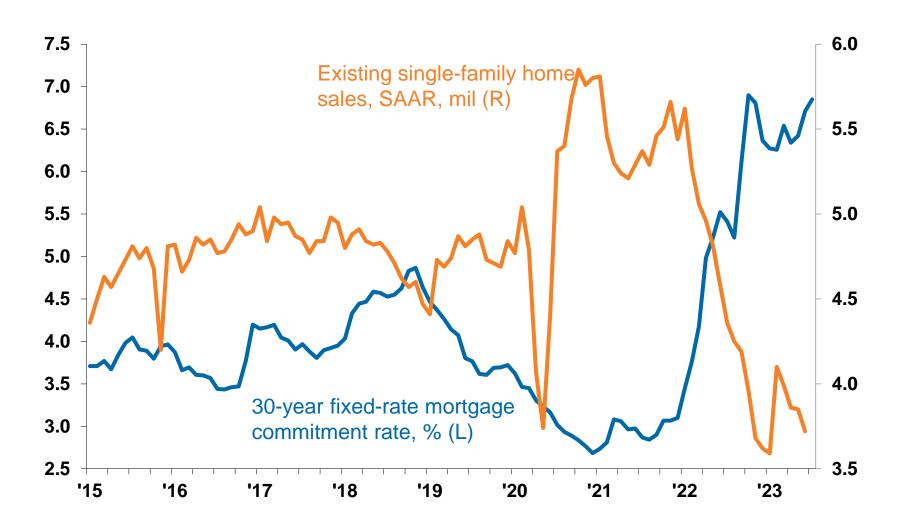


Federal Reserve assets, \$ tril



Big Jump in Mortgage Rates Is Weighing on the Housing Market

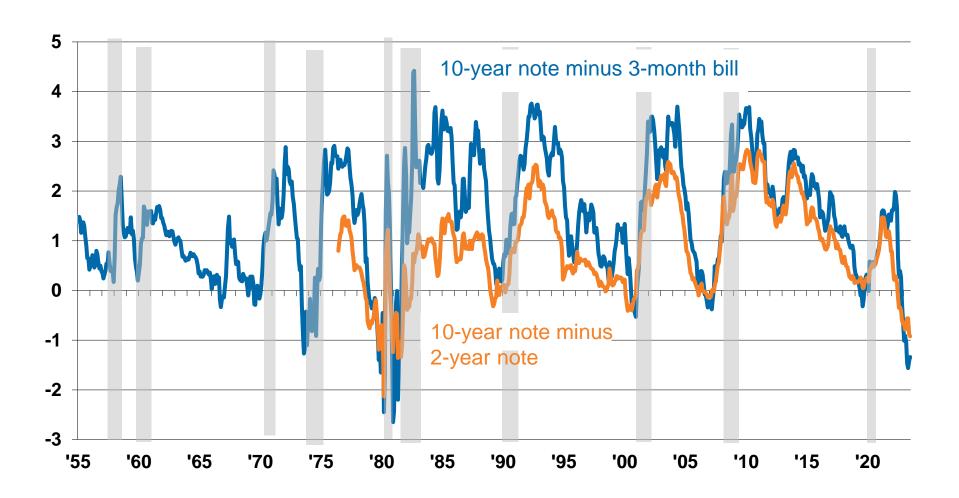




Yield Curve Remains Deeply Inverted

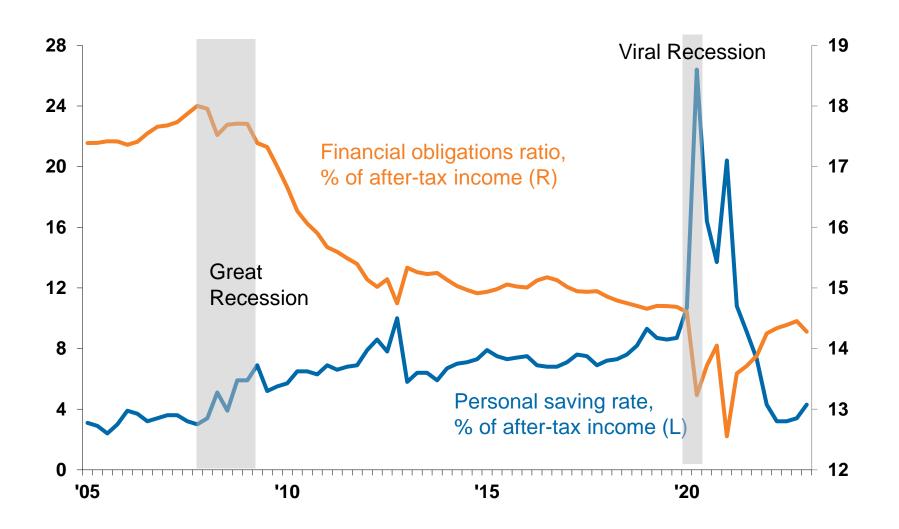


Yield spread, percentage points



Accumulated Savings and Great Balance Sheets Will Limit Hit to Consumer Spending

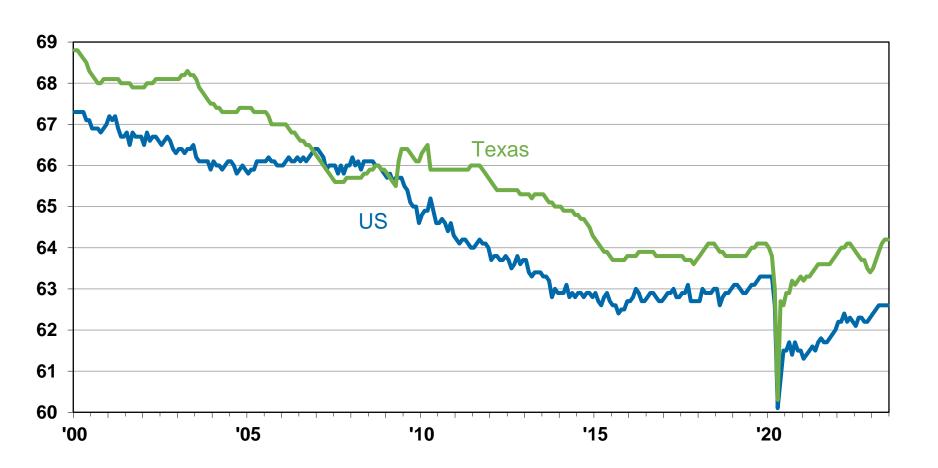




Structurally Tighter Labor Market Post-Pandemic



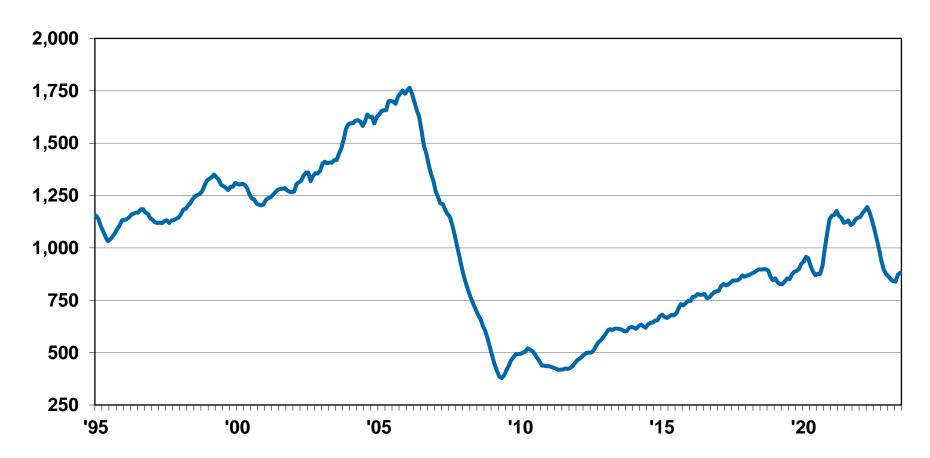
Labor force participation rate, %



The Housing Market Has Been Undersupplied for Years

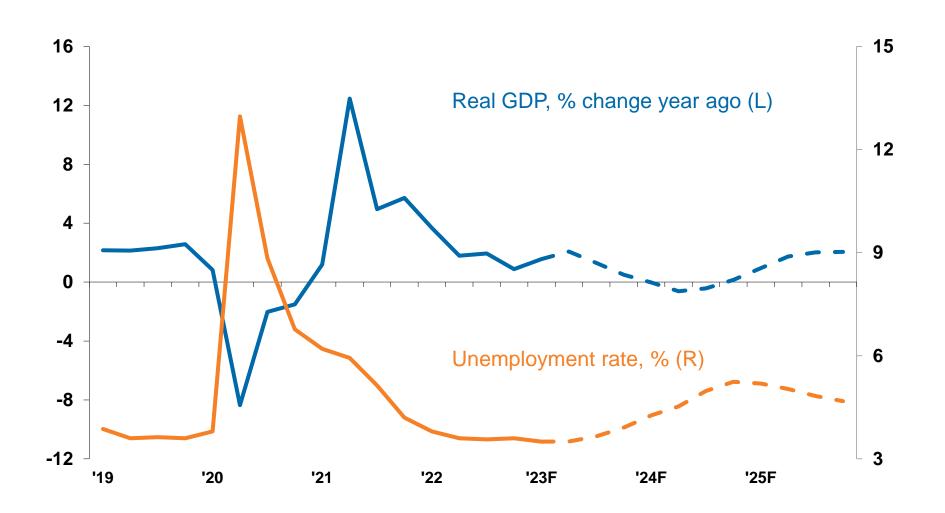


Single-family housing starts, seasonally-adjusted annualized rate, 6-month moving average, ths



Most Likely Outcome Is Mild Recession in Late 2023 or Early 2024

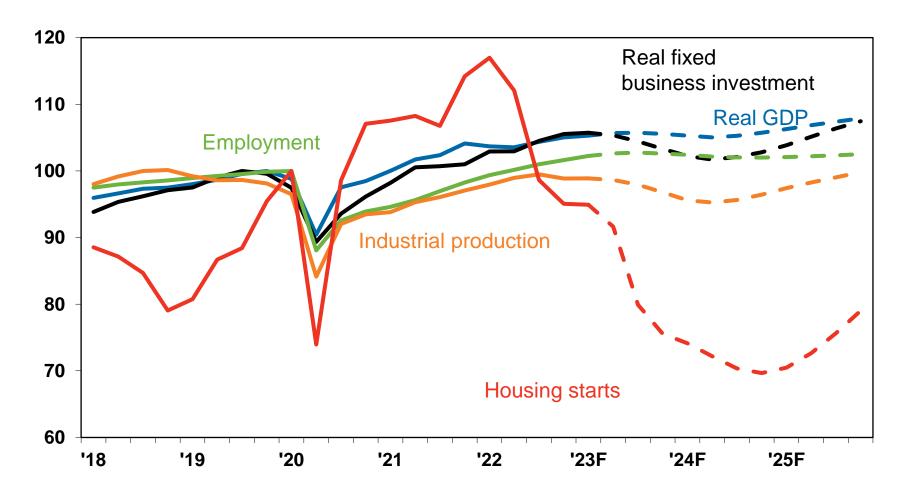




Housing, Business Investment Will Lead the Recession



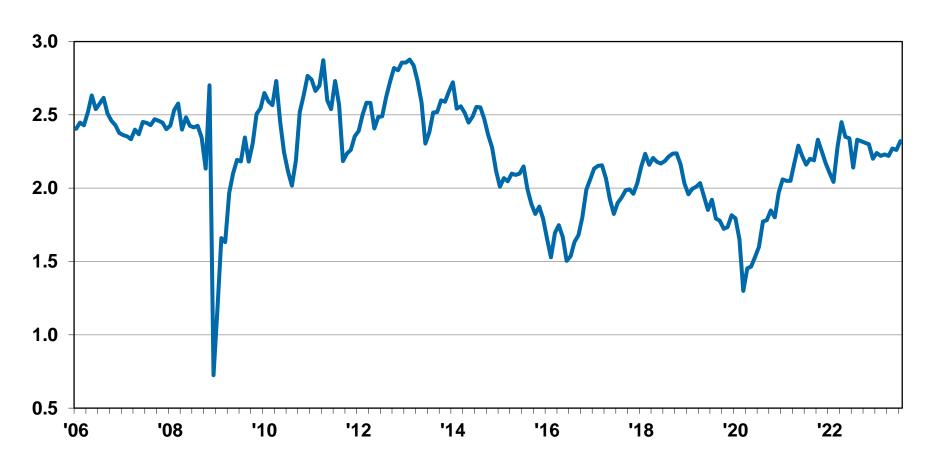
Index, pre-recession peak=100



Inflation Will Settle Down



5-year, 5-year forward inflation expectations, %



What I'm Pretty Sure About



- Very steep recession in 2020
- Not in recession now
- Fed will do what's necessary
- Structural shifts
 - Retail, supply chains, commercial real estate
- Structural changes to the labor market

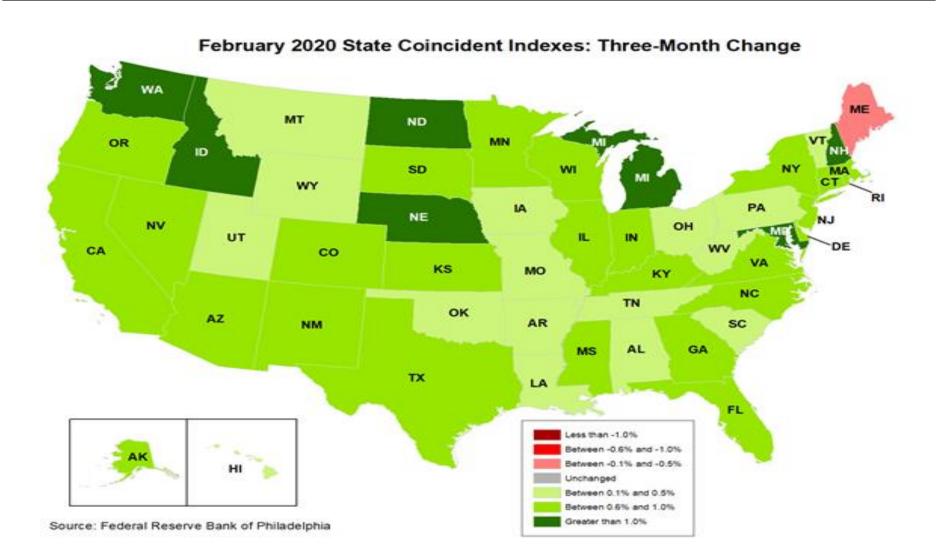
Open Questions



- Recession not inevitable
- Financial stresses
- What happens with inflation
- Russia/Ukraine
- Path of pandemic
- Longer-run growth
- Housing market
- Al

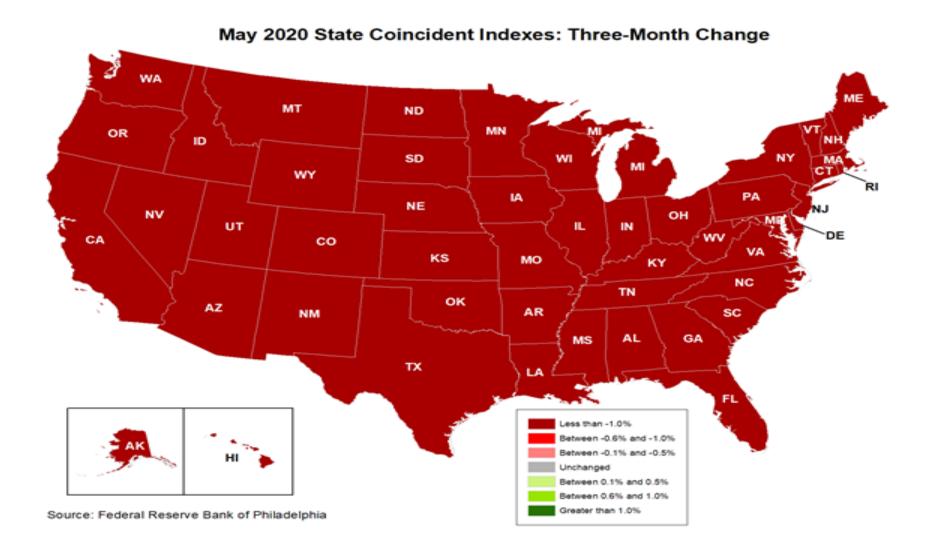
Solid Conditions in Early 2020...





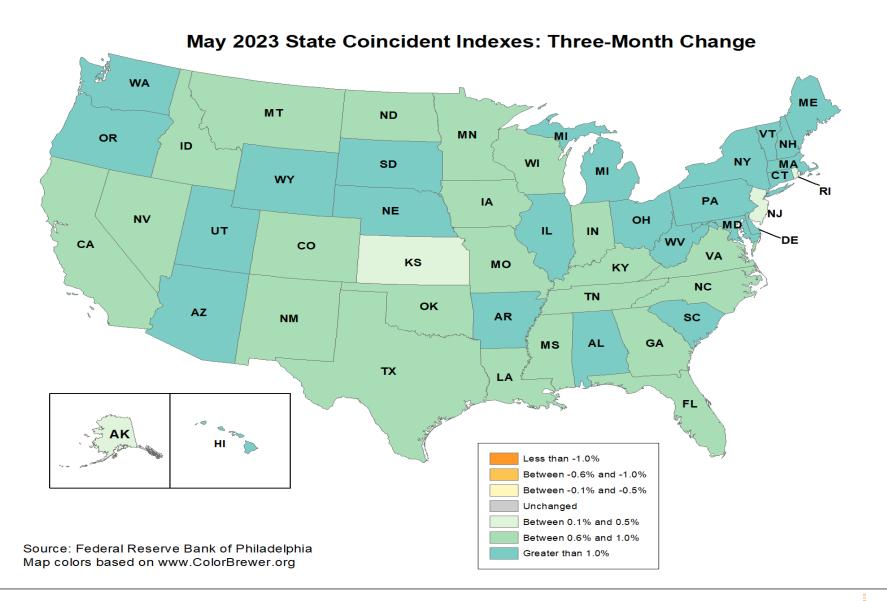
...And Then Things Were Bad All Over...





...But Expansion in Most of the Country Now

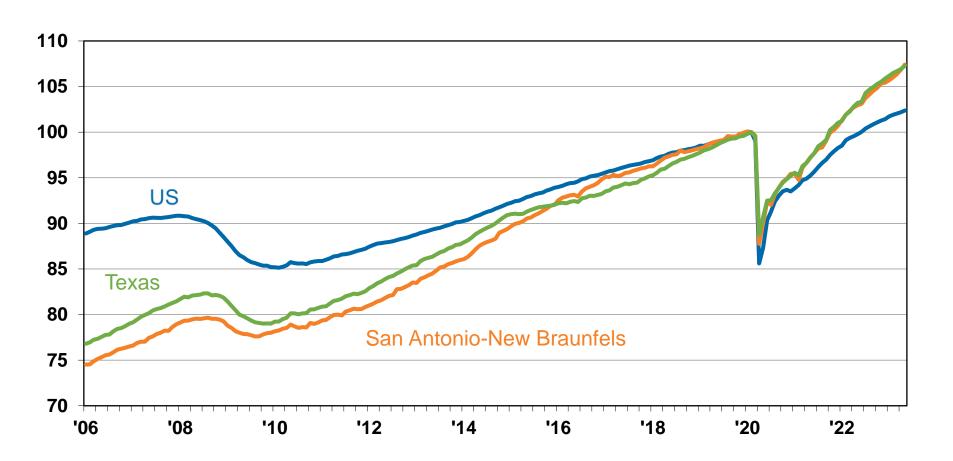




San Antonio Job Growth Is Outpacing the Nation's



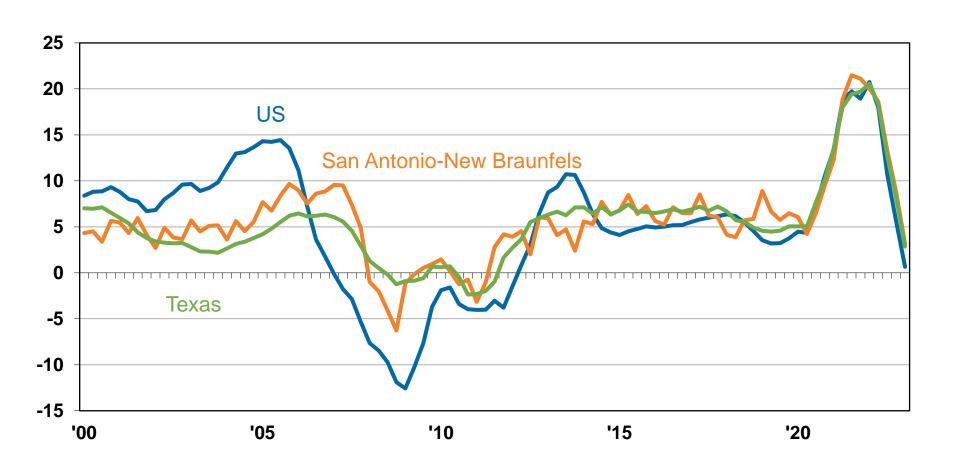
Employment, index, Feb. 2020=100



Modest Local House Price Declines So Far, With More to Come



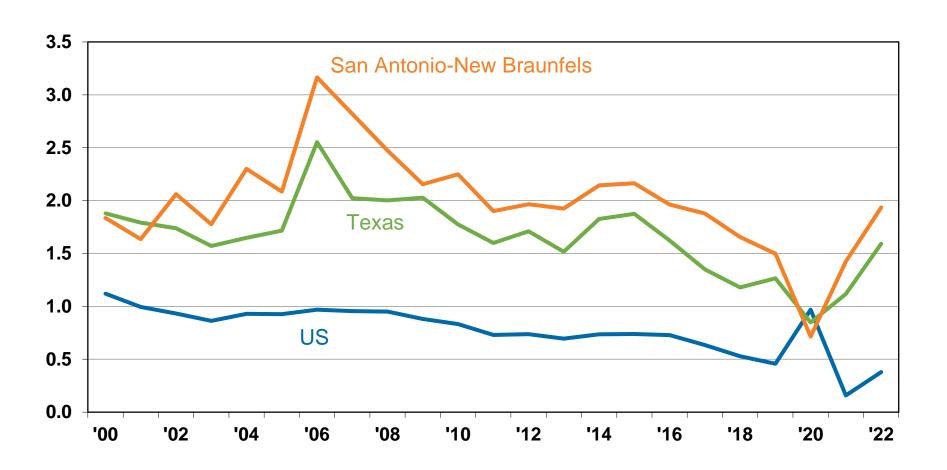
Single-family home price index, % change year ago



Very Strong Population Growth a Big Long-Run Advantage



Population, % change





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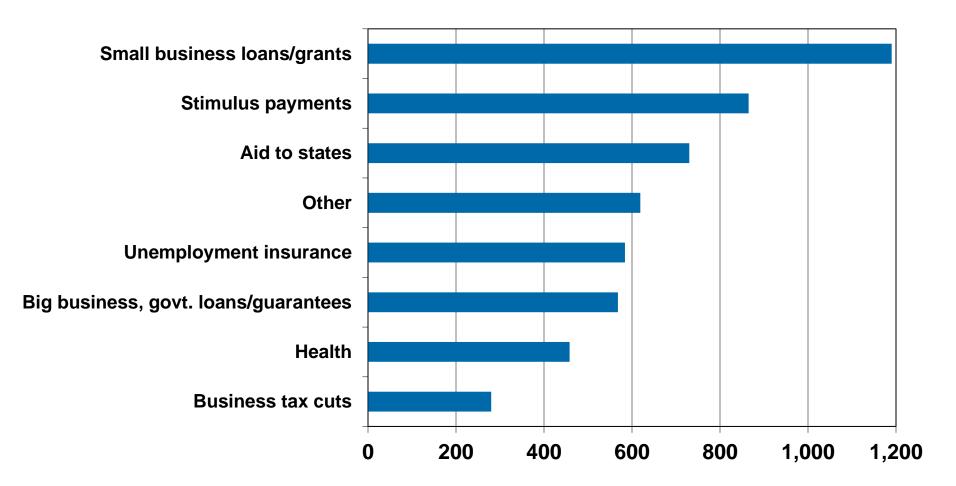
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Stimulus of About One-Quarter of GDP

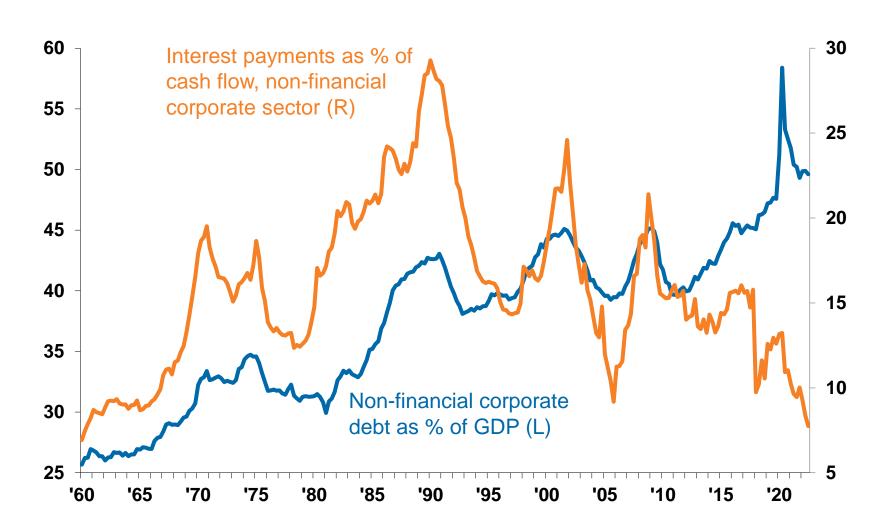


CARES, Paycheck Protection Program and Health Care Enhancement, Consolidated Appropriations Plan, and American Rescue Plan Acts, spending, \$ bil



Business Debt Is High, But Manageable

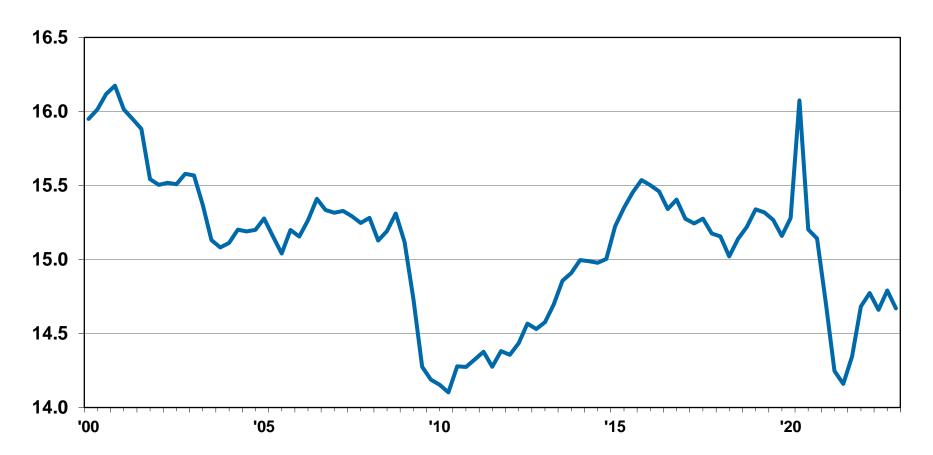




Low Inventories Will Support Near-Term Growth



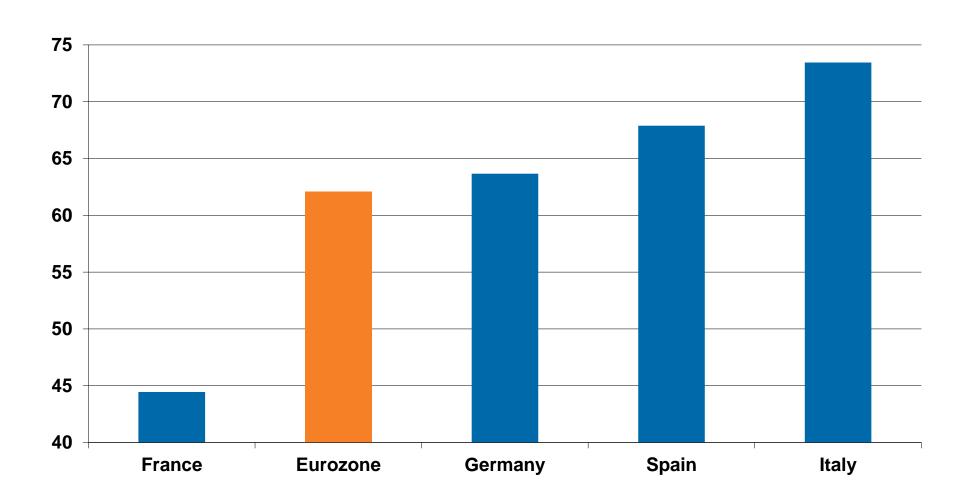
Inventories as % of final sales of domestic product, real



The Eurozone Is Heavily Dependent on Imported Energy...



Energy imports dependency, %



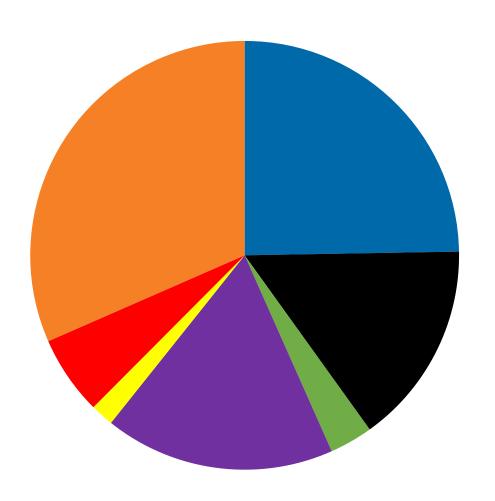
...And Is a Big Part of the Global Economy



Share of global GDP, 2020

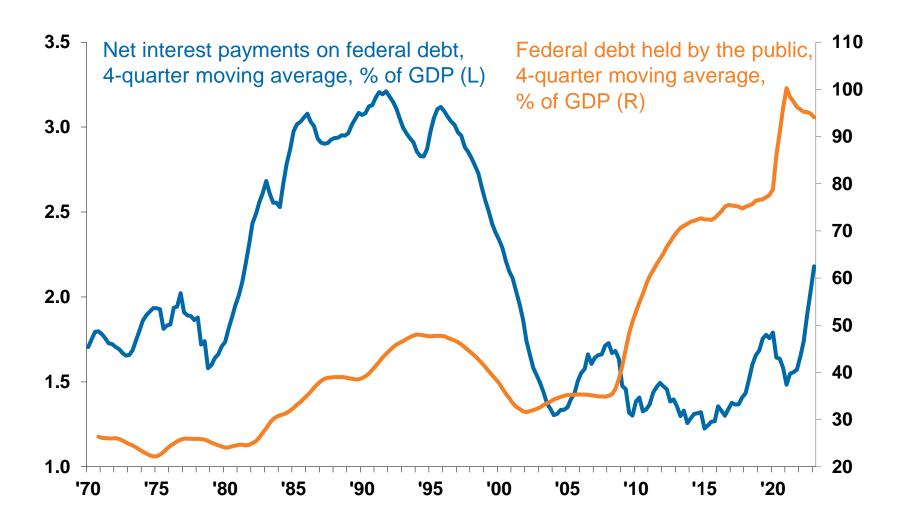


- Euro Area (15.4%)
- UK (3.3%)
- China (17.4%)
- Russia (1.8%)
- Japan (6.0%)
- Rest of World (37.5%)



Two Ways of Thinking About Federal Debt; One Is a Lot More Sanguine Than the Other





House Prices Set to Fall 15%



