





2024-2025: A Changing Landscape

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2023 Forecast Results

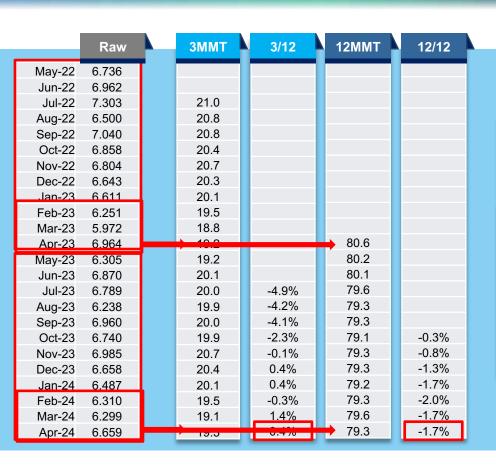


	Duration	Accuracy
US GDP	15	97.8%
US Ind. Production	14	99.8%
Europe Ind. Production	17	99.7%
Canada Ind. Production	15	95.7%
China Ind. Production	13	99.5%
Retail Sales	14	99.9%
Housing - Single Family	14	88.9%
Employment-Private Sector	13	99.9%

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Based on data from a consecutive 3-month period compared to one year earlier.

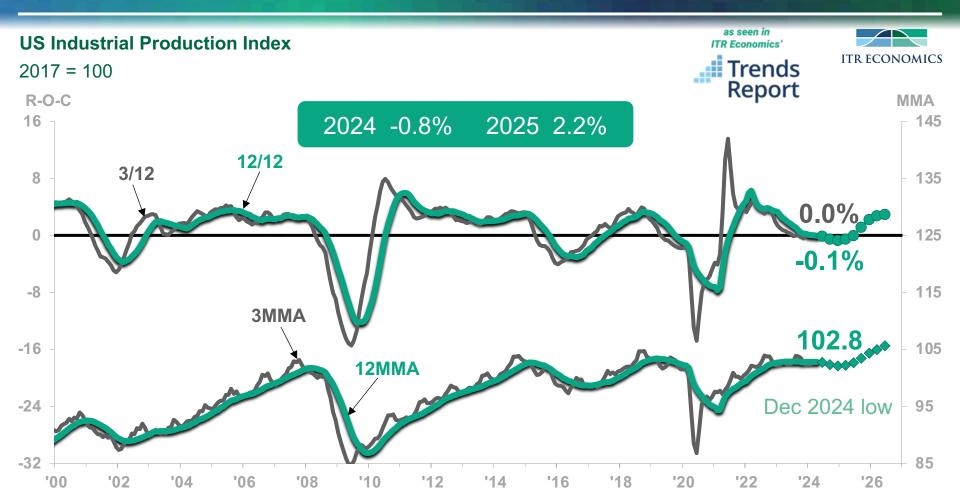
Anticipates shifts in business cycle trends.

12/12

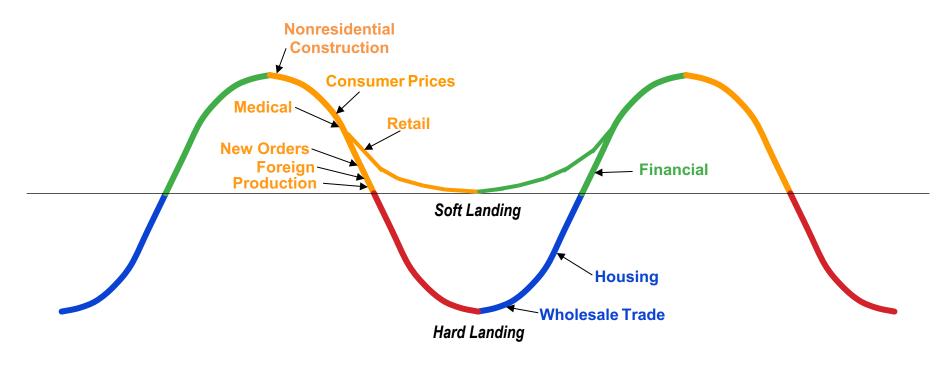
Based on data from a consecutive 12-month period compared to one year earlier.

Defines the business cycle.

Recession in 2024















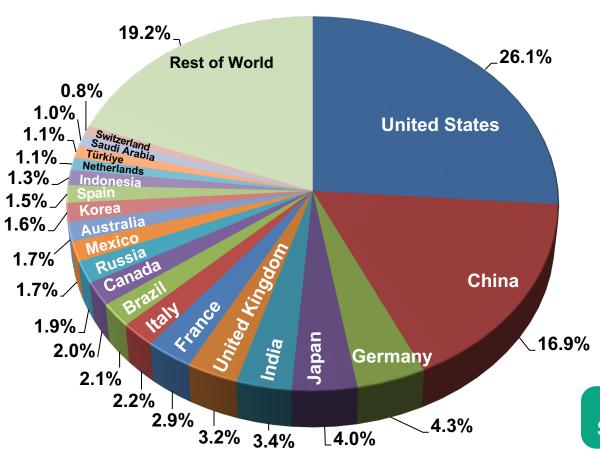




Global







*Total World GDP: \$104.7 Trillion US \$

The Global Economy At-a-Glance



Source: ITR Economics Trends Report TM	Historical 12/12	Historical 12MMA	Current 12/12	2024	2025	2026
Canada Industrial Production	M		-1.0	-0.4	3.3	2.9
Mexico Industrial Production Index	~~~		3.0	0.4	0.4	0.7
Brazil Manufacturing and Mining Industrial Production Index	VA.		0.7	-0.7	-0.1	1.8
Western Europe Industrial Production Index	~~~		-2.3	-1.0	2.1	0.8
Eastern Europe Industrial Production Index	~~~		-2.4	0.8	2.9	1.6
India Industrial Production Index	~~~		5.8	0.9	4.0	1.8
China Industrial Production Index	~~		5.3	5.9	3.4	4.5

Note: Forecast color represents what Phase the market will be in at the end of the year. Ukraine data has been removed from Eastern Europe Industrial Production as it is unavailable due to the war. We have added Hungary Industrial Production data to the series.

A Declining Population is a Concern

China Industrial Production Index to China Retail Sales of Consumer Goods





Leading Indicator Signal of Normalization of Supply Chain

Global Supply Chain Pressure Index to US Purchasing Managers Index

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Pressure Index, Raw to PMI 1/12 Rate-of-Change



Universal Inflation

Sources: BLS, Statistics Canada, Mexico National Institute of Statistics & Geography, Brazil National Confederation of Industry, Colombia National Statistics Administrative Department, Argentina National Institute of Statistics & Censuses (INDEC), Eurostat

Consumer Price Indexes

1/12 Rates-of-Change

Country	1/12	Phase
US	3.4%	С
Canada	2.9%	C
Mexico	4.4%	С
Brazil	3.7%	C
Colombia	7.2%	С
Argentina	289.4%	В
Europe	2.6%	С
China	0.2%	В











Global Summary









Next Steps

Nationalism brings
 opportunities for shorter
 supply chains and new
 business





Inflation & Interest Rates

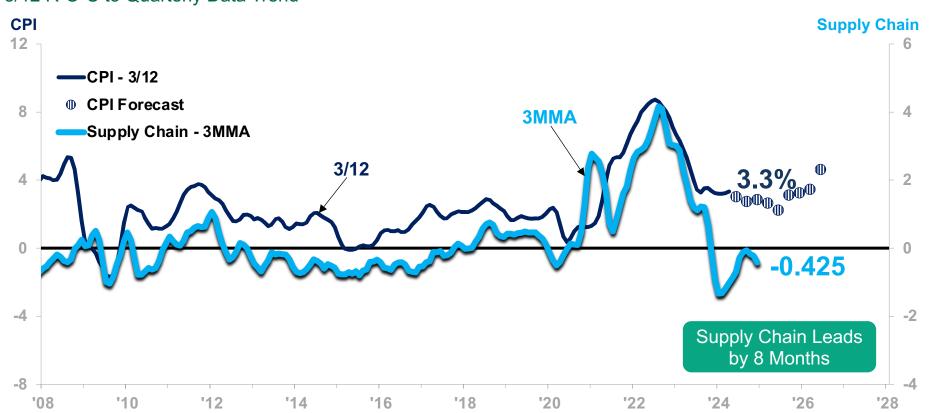


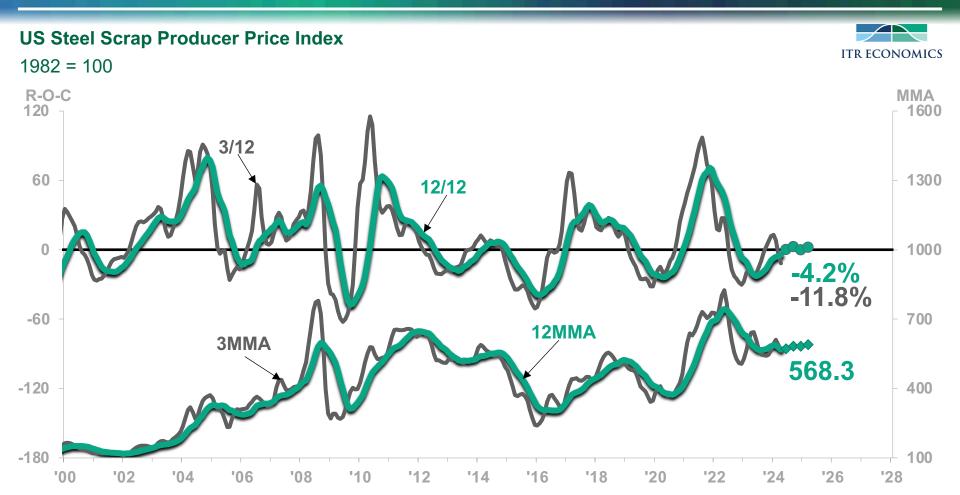
Supply Chain Impact on Inflation Has Normalized

US Consumer Price Index to Global Supply Chain Pressure Index

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3/12 R-O-C to Quarterly Data Trend

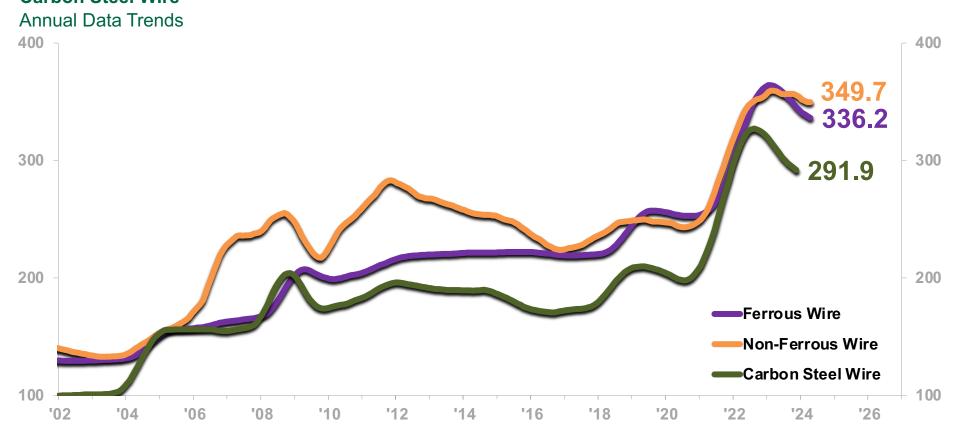




Wire Prices Generally Easing

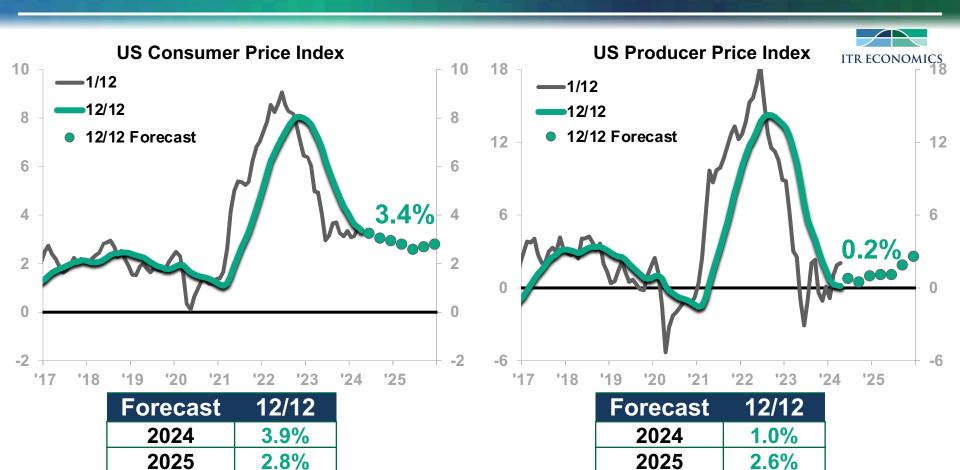
US Producer Price Indexes for Fabricated Ferrous Wire to Non-Ferrous Wire and Cable to Carbon Steel Wire





2026

4.1%



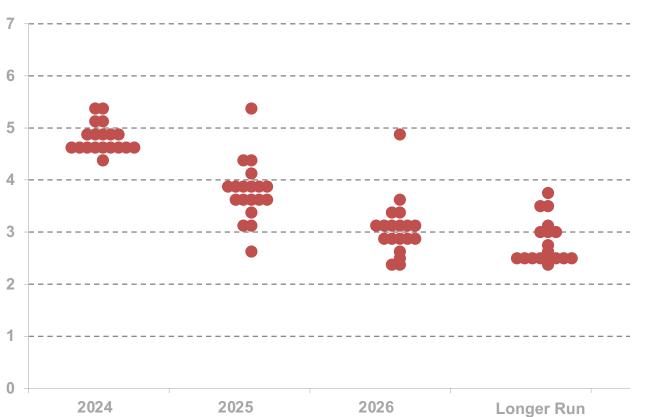
2026

3.4%

FOMC Member Interest Rate Projections







Take advantage of lower interest rates

Make acquisitions

Invest in your products – innovate

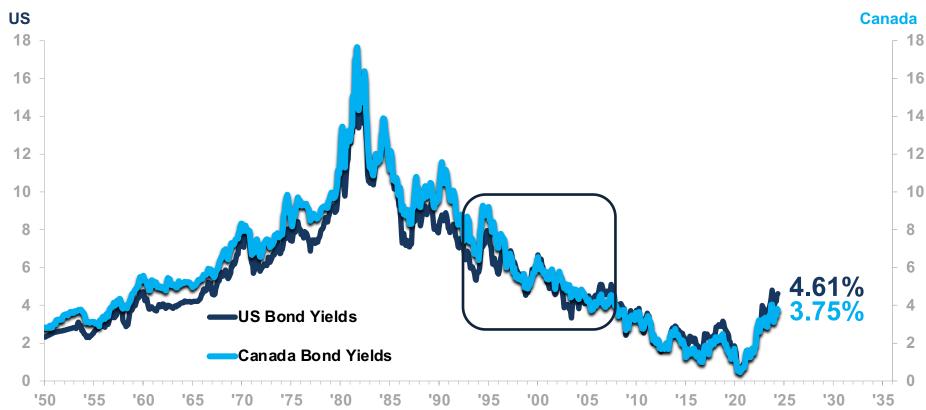
Invest in your processes

The Canadians Can Borrow Money at a Lower Rate

US Government Long-Term Bond Yields to Canada 10-Year Government Bond Yields







Signal for Another Wave of Inflation

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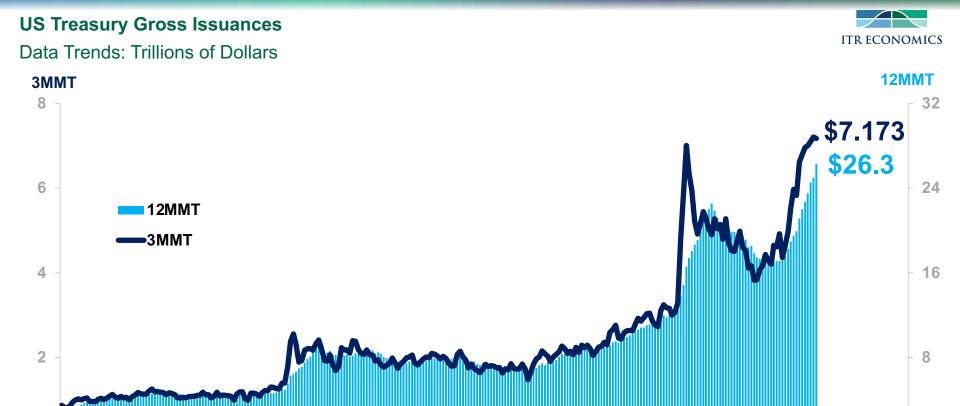
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Inflation Summary





Inflation is decreasing and is expected to decline further. Rate decline is probable for 2024.



Bank credit remains tight. Cash flow analysis through 2024 is critical.



Use the next 2 years to strategize how you will contend with future inflation and higher interest rates.

Next Steps

This Federal Reserve is a wild card from our perspective. Stay with us via our weekly Fed Watch YouTube free broadcasts until this is over.

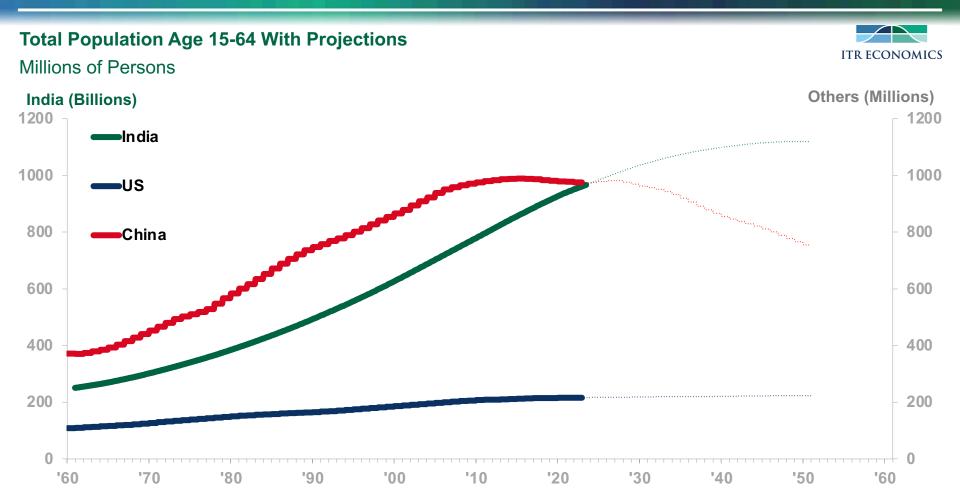


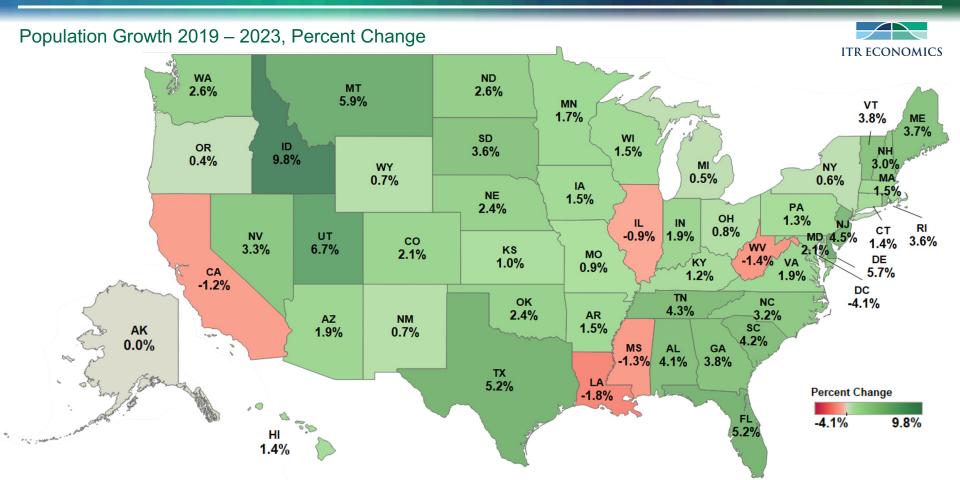


People

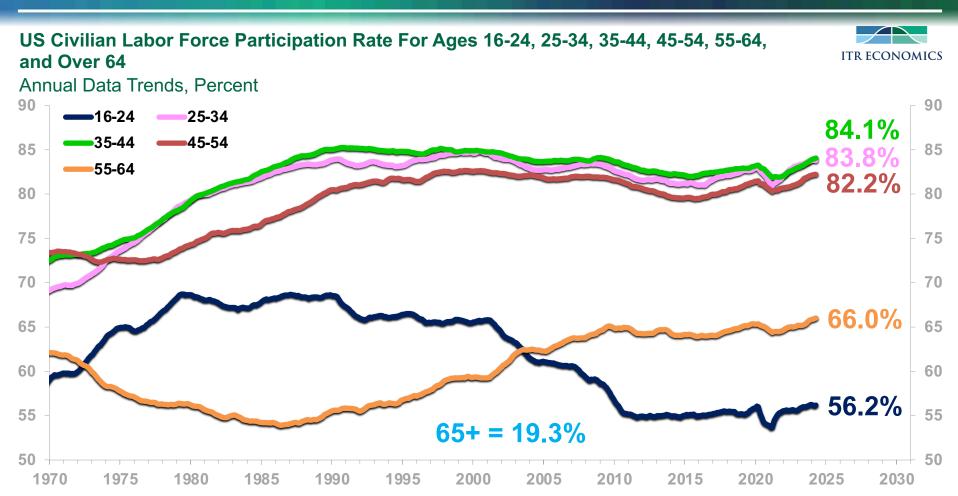


India is Now the Most Populous Country





Culture: Do Well, Do Good, Be Aware

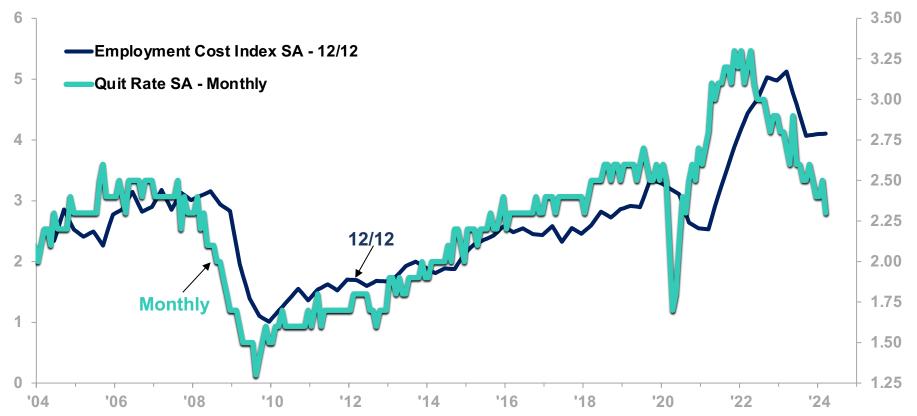


Expect Decelerating Rise in Employment Costs

US Employment Cost Index to US Quit Rate

Index: 12/12 Rate-of-Change, Quit Rate: Percent

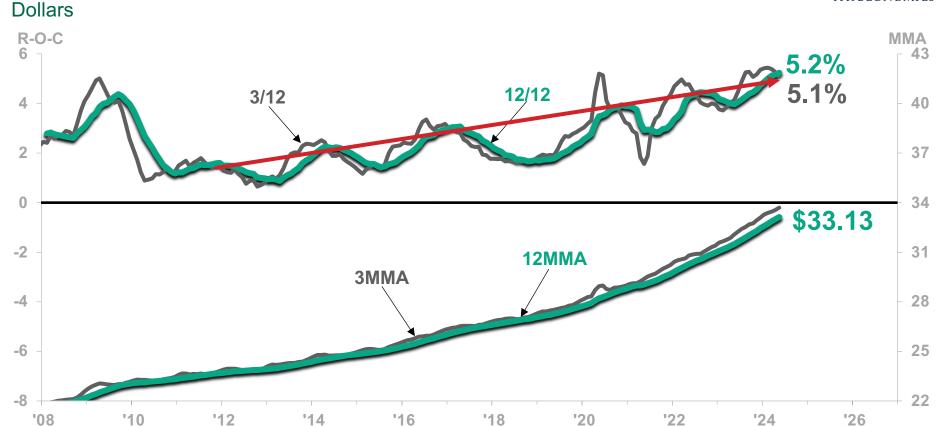




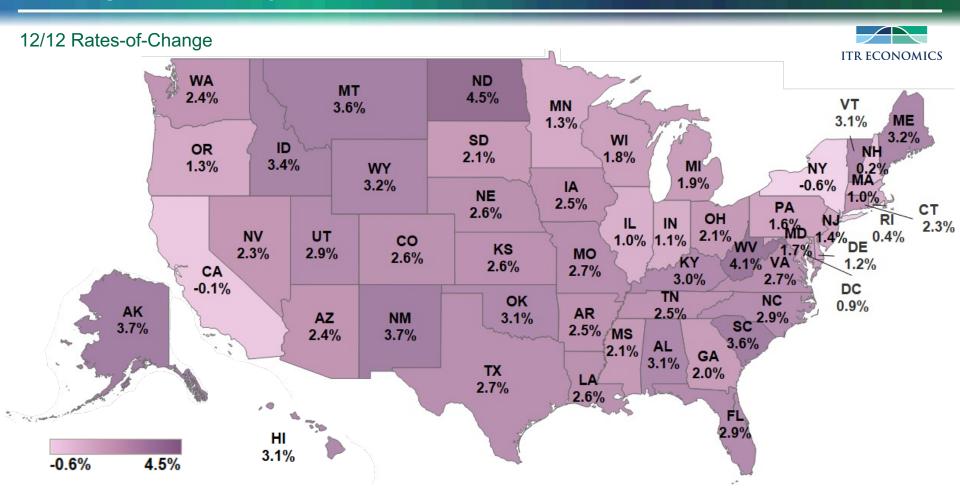
Decelerating Rise Anticipated for 2024







US Wage Inflation by State



Labor Summary









Next Steps

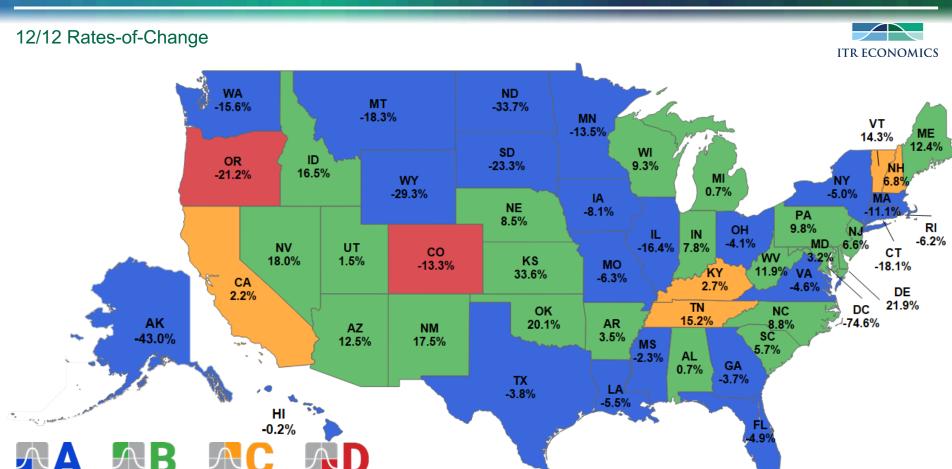
- Baby Boomers are leaving
- Preparing the next generation



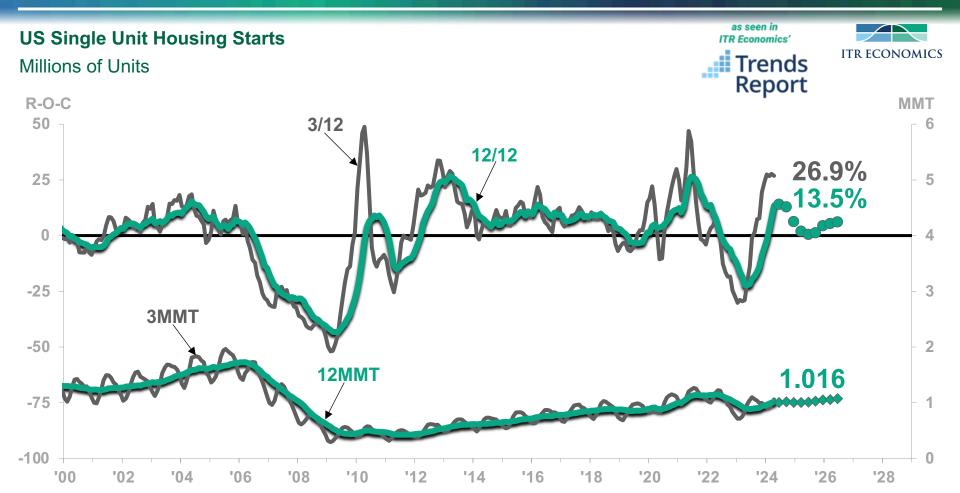


Construction

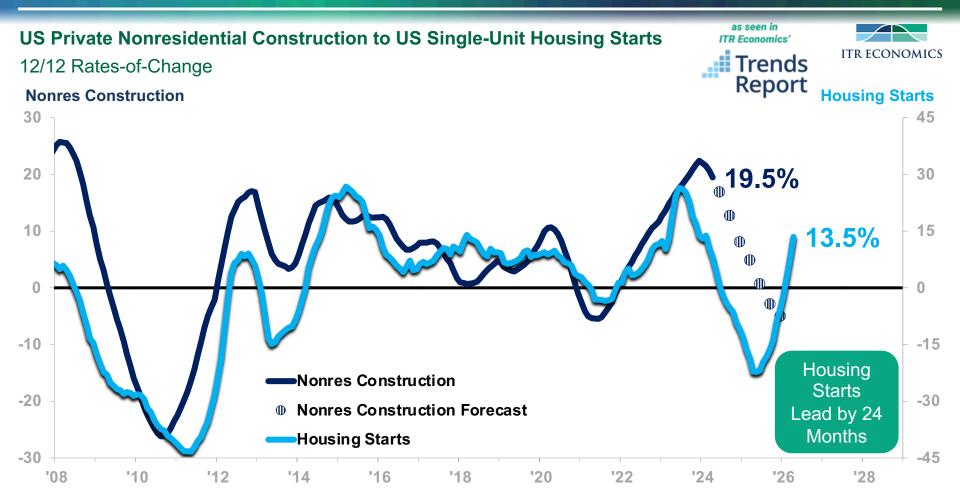




Expect Mild Rise Through 2025



Housing Leads - Nonresidential Lags



The US Construction Economy At-a-Glance

2	Historical 12/12	Historical 12MMT	Current 12/12	2024	2025	2026	Highlights ITR ECONOMICS	
US Single-Unit Housing Starts	M		13.5	6.3	4.4	3.3	A tight housing market will drive general Starts 12MMT rise through at least 2026.	
US Multi-Unit Housing Starts	Mary		-23.8	-11.4	14.2	4.1	The Rental Vacancy Rate and Apartment Tightness Index signal upcoming Phase A, Recovery, for Starts, but downside risks are present.	
US Private Office Construction	m		6.3	1.0	-3.2	6.4	We revised the Construction forecast upward. Expect decline to begin in mid-2024 and extend into the latter half of 2025.	
US Total Education Construction	~~\		17.0	7.0	-3.0	2.2	Public school enrollments post gains but are below pre-pandemic levels as homeschooling increases, which could impact future funding.	
US Total Hospital Construction	w		13.8	2.5	-0.5	4.5	The 12MMT will rise into late 2024 and then decline into mid-2025. An aging population will drive demand, but labor is a key challenge.	
US Private Manufacturing Construction	~~		59.3	11.1	-6.1	6.3	Architecture Inquiries and interest rate pressures suggest decline is likely in this market, but government spending is an upside risk.	
US Private Multi-Tenant Retail Construction	~~		4.2	-1.9	-1.5	3.3	We revised the forecast due to upgraded Retail Sales. The 12MMT will still decline from mid-2024 into the second half of 2025.	
US Private Warehouse Construction	M		4.5	-4.7	2.4	6.6	Vacancy rates are rising but still low, and warehouse storage costs have ticked down. The 12MMT will decline into mid-2025.	
US Public Water & Sewer Facilities Construction	M		20.0	8.0	-2.5	6.4	Trends in Utilities Services Revenue signal downward pressure on Construction in the coming quarters.	

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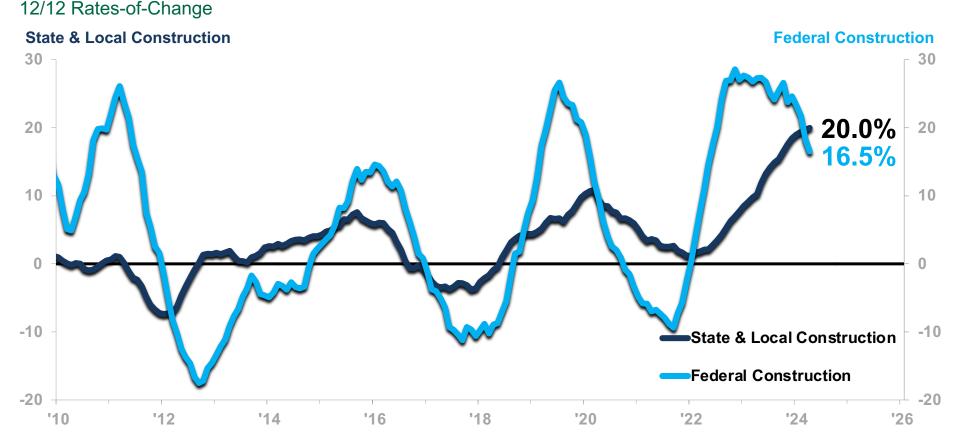
Extreme CRE Loan Exposure Isolated to Smaller Banks



Infrastructure Spending Bill Amplifying Construction Growth

US State and Local Infrastructure Construction to US Federal Infrastructure Construction





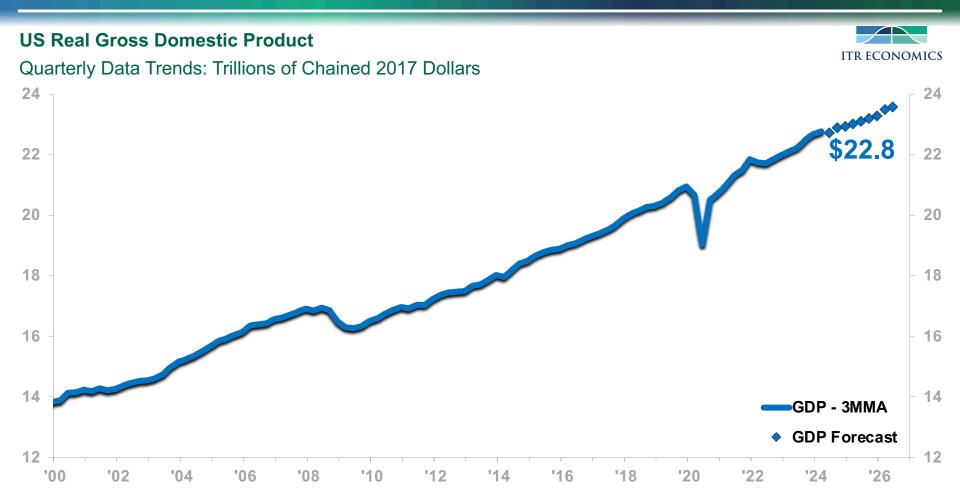




Macroeconomic Trends



Expect a Slower Growth Year in 2024

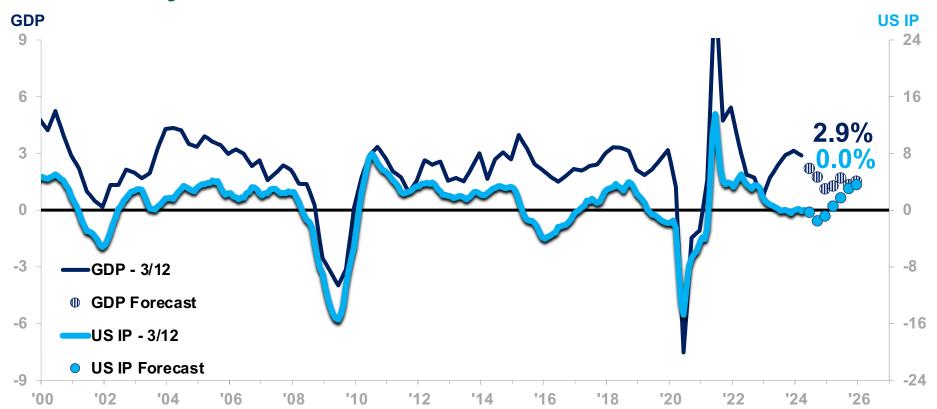


The 2025 Recovery Should Not Be Left to Chance

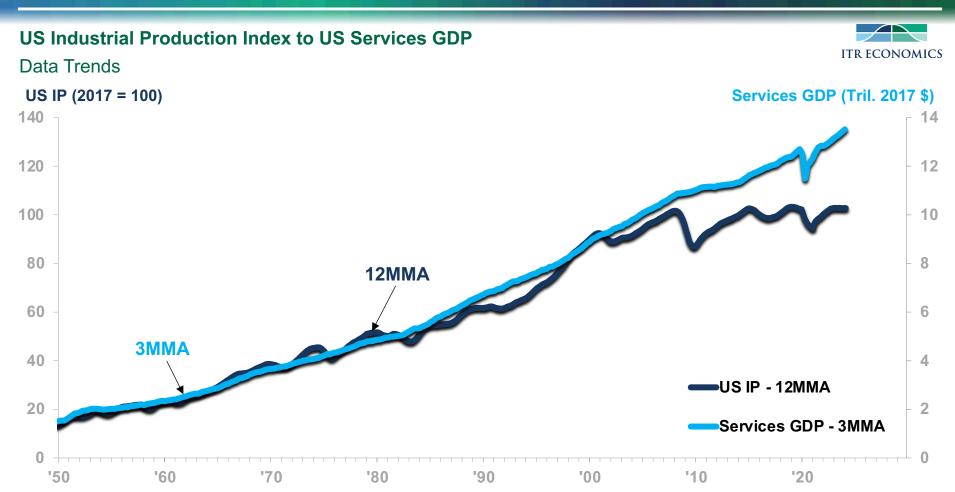
US Real Gross Domestic Product to US Industrial Production Index



3/12 Rates-of-Change



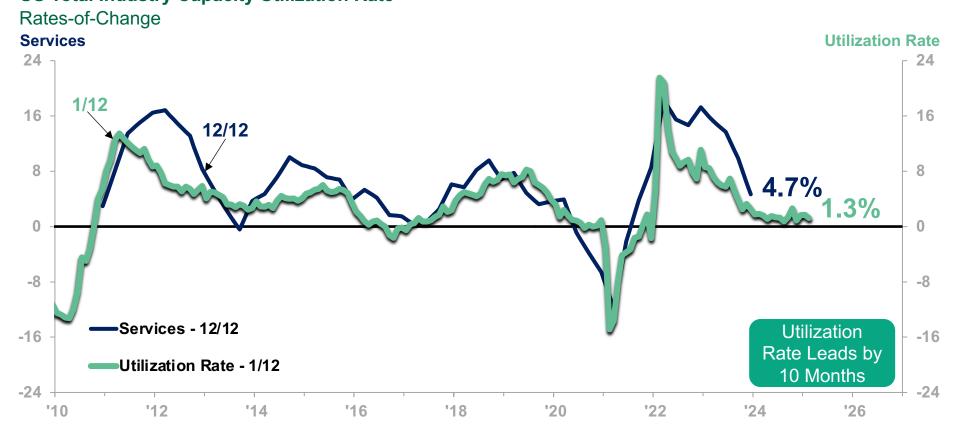
Services Rising Above Industrial Activity



Slowing Growth Through 2024

US Commercial and Industrial Equipment Repair and Maintenance Services Revenue to US Total Industry Capacity Utilization Rate

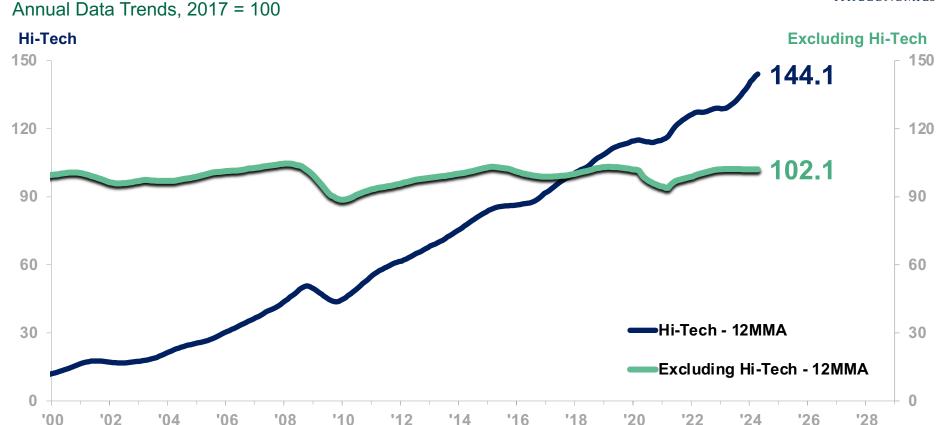




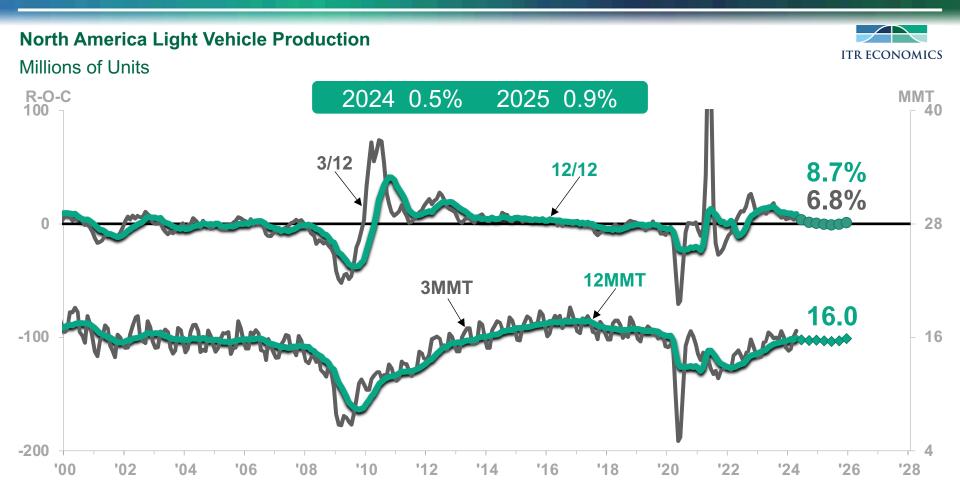
Growth Has Clearly Shifted to High-Tech Industries

US Production Index for High-Technology Industries to Total (excluding high-technology)

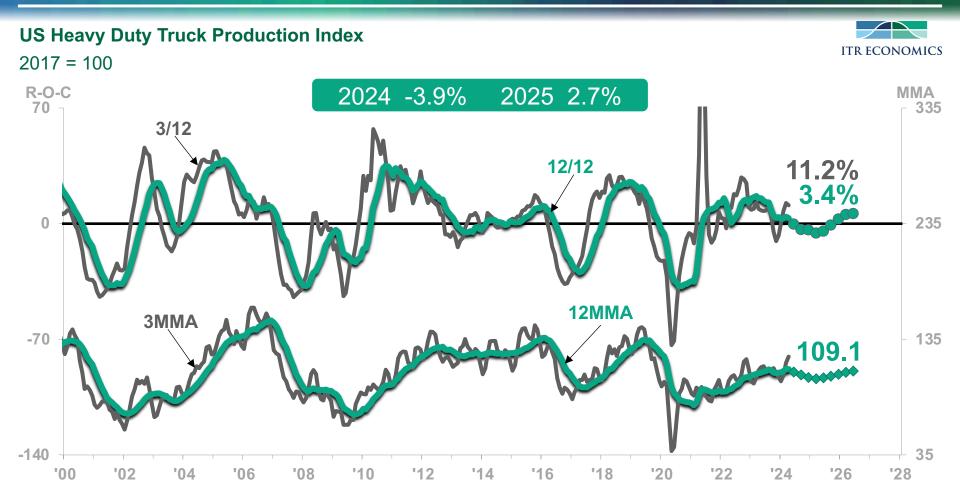




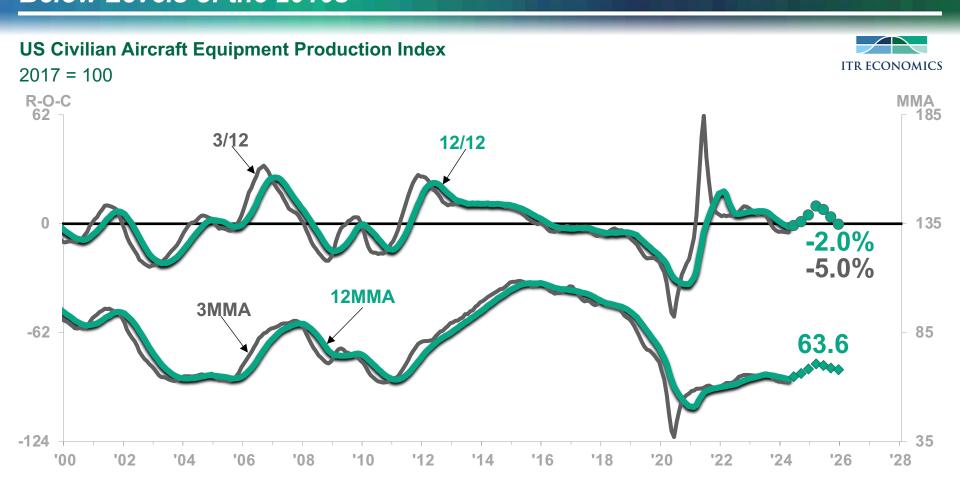
Production to Generally Plateau Into Late 2025 Given Opposing Factors



Mild Decline Likely Into Early 2025 Given Freight Headwinds



Despite Expected Cyclical Rise, Plan for Production to Trend Below Levels of the 2010s



The Manufacturing Economy-At-a-Glance



	Historical 12/12	Historical 12MMT/A	Current 12/12	2024	2025	2026	Highlights	So
US Metalworking Machinery New Orders	M	~~	-1.9	3.3	4.2	1.9	New Orders will generally rise through at least 2026, and anticipated rising prices will aid in that rise.	20.
US Machinery New Orders	$\sim\sim$		0.4	-0.3	5.0	4.4	We lifted the New Orders forecast following a change to our broader B2i expectations. Expect a 12MMT plateau into early 2025.	В
US Construction Machinery New Orders	\mathbb{W}		9.8	-2.9	1.0	5.6	New Orders will decline mildly this year and into early 2025. Residential construction demand and pricing will keep decline mild.	Ī
US Electrical Equipment New Orders	Som	,	7.9	-1.6	4.3	2.2	Housing market trends portend New Orders 12/12 rise by early 2025, with nonresidential construction contributing by late 2025.	
US Computers & Electronics New Orders	\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\		2.9	-0.9	2.0	1.4	The growing adoption of AI technologies will trigger additional demand for New Orders.	Ī
US Defense Capital Goods New Orders	*****		-5.0	2.7	-1.9	6.7	The 12MMT will transition to rise in the near term. 2025 will be a down year and then growth will resume in 2026.	Ī
North America Light Vehicle Production	J.		8.7	0.5	0.9	3.7	The Production 12MMT will plateau with a downward bias into mid- 2025. Subsequent 12MMT rise will extend through at least 2026.	•
US Oil & Gas Extraction Production	W		6.2	2.8	2.2	4.2	Leading indicators including industry utilization rates and industry corporate cash point to downside pressure on the Production 12/12.	_
US Mining Production (excluding oil & gas)	W		-1.5	-2.7	1.6	0.9	Recent spikes in commodity prices, such as copper, are an upside risk. Production decline is still probable this year.	_
US Chemicals & Chemical Products Production	~~~		1.2	-0.2	1.2	0.9	We revised the forecast given higher expectations for B2B activity. The 12MMA will plateau this year and then rise for much of 2025-26.	
US Civilian Aircraft Equipment Production	~		-2.0	4.8	-0.4	7.0	Aircraft demand is relatively strong, but supply-side issues are a downside. We expect Production to begin rising soon.	
US Medical Equipment & Supplies Production	W		1.4	1.9	-0.5	1.9	The 12MMA will decline from mid-2024 to mid-2025. Tariffs on Chinese imports may put upward pressure on US production.	
US Heavy-Duty Truck Production	~V~	M	3.4	-3.9	2.7	2.6	The 12MMA will decline into early 2025. Trade activity through Mexico could pose an upside risk amidst new Chinese tariffs.	Ī
US Food Production	my		-2.4	-0.2	1.7	1.5	Production will decline into mid-2024 and then rise through at least 2026. The grain component has already returned to a growth trend.	<u></u>

Source: ITR Economics
Trends ReportTM







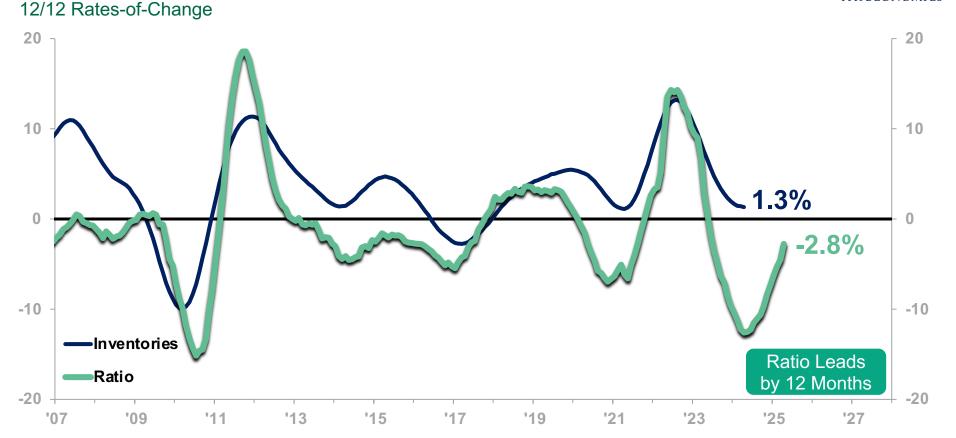


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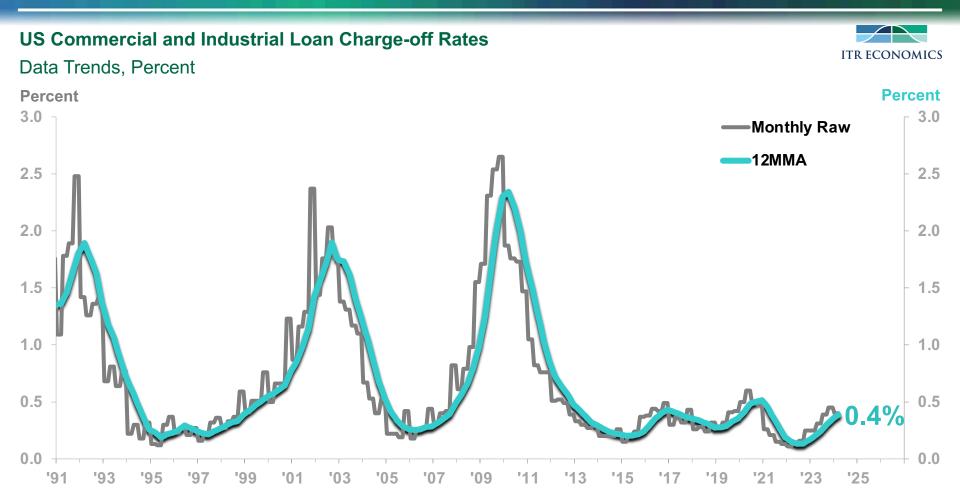
Plan Ahead of the Inventory Cycle





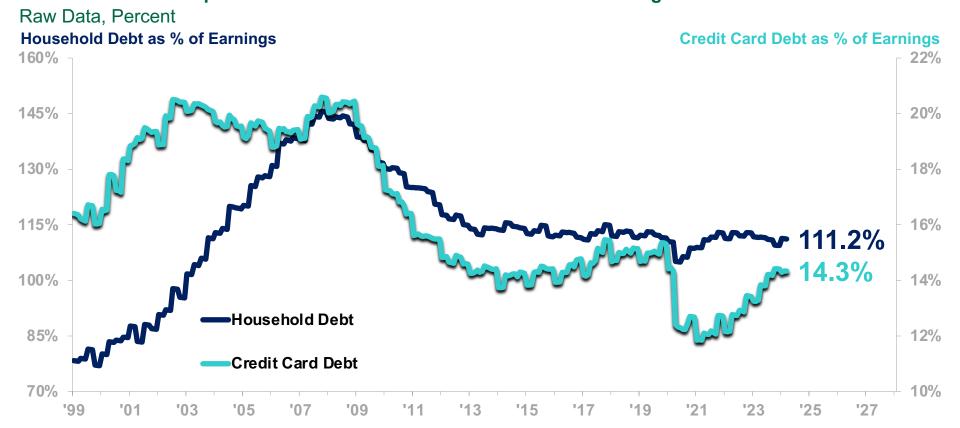


Little to No Pressure from the Business Community



US Household Debt per Capita as a % of US Median Annual Earnings to US Credit Card Debt per Household as a % of US Median Annual Earnings

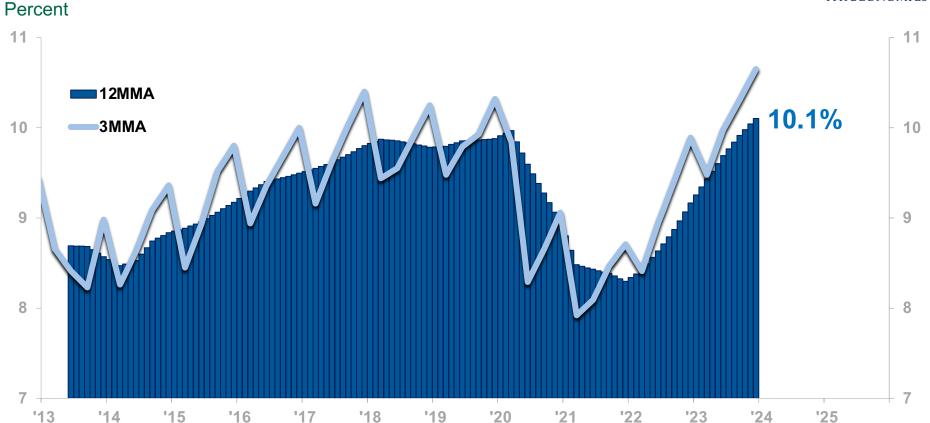




Something to Watch But Not Worry About

US Share of Consumer Credit Card Accounts Making the Minimum Payment





The US Macroeconomic Summary









Next Steps

- Watch the inverse yield curve
- Invest in your business
- Good opportunity for organic growth in 2025





The 2030s



Causal Factors & Outlook Are Unchanged





1. Demographics



2. Health Care Costs



3. Entitlements



4. Inflation



5. US National Debt



Have Your "Financial Bunker" in Place by 2028 – 2029



Your personal <u>Financial Bunker</u> will be unique because the details will vary from one set of circumstances to the next. However, some common themes to consider are:

- Do you intend to work throughout the 2030s?
- Become personally sufficiently debt free to weather a cycle worse than 2007 2009 stretched over 6 years
- Determine what investments are you holding that will perform well in a period of inflation and general economic rise. These same investments will not do well in the 2030s
- Do your due diligence on foreign sovereign bonds
- Have a strong tax advisor on your financial team; assume higher taxes on the upper incomes

Looking Ahead



- Disinflation and deflation will characterize 2024 with an attendant easing of wage inflation.
- Expect interest rates to ease lower in 2024 and likely early 2025.

- Service sector expected to hold up better than private manufacturing in 2024.
- Fiscal policy and high corporate cash levels are a buffer for the economy.

- Assess cash needs
- Maximize competitive advantages
- Think about expanding the asset classes you are invested in and plan to pivot hard in 2028 – 2032.

Any questions?



Is your business facing these questions and concerns as we move toward the 2030s?

- Interest rate sensitivity
- Price sensitivity
- •Dependence upon a demand-pull market dynamic that will be hard hit in the 2030s
- Worth of your business positively correlated to the financial markets
- •Reliant upon market activity that is largely non-discretionary

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