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Economic and Industry Update

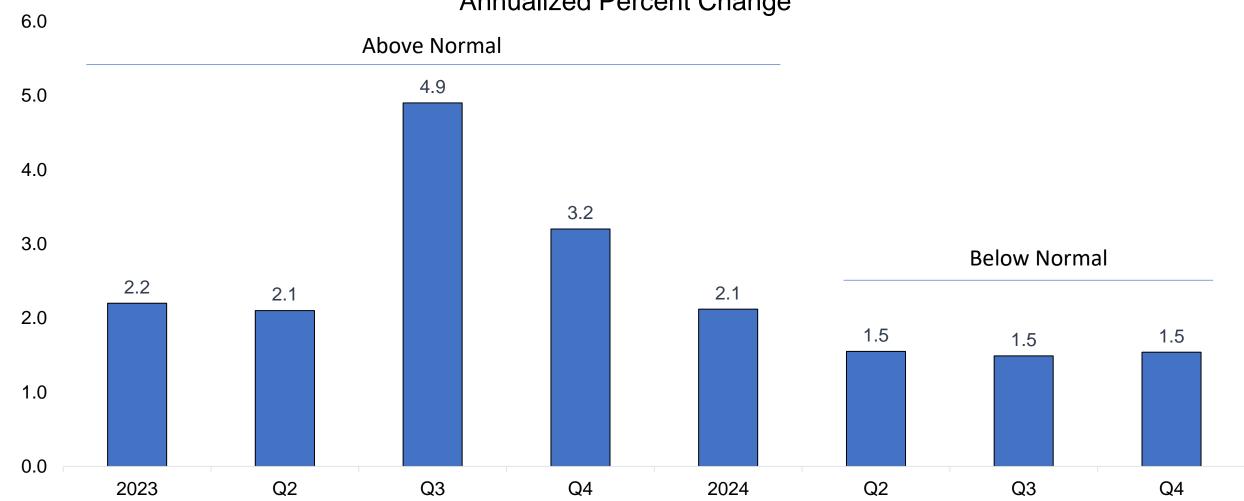
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Real Gross Domestic Product







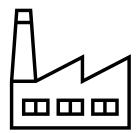
Three Big Sources of Truck Freight



Household Consumption/Retail



Construction: Home & Non-residential



Factory & Industrial



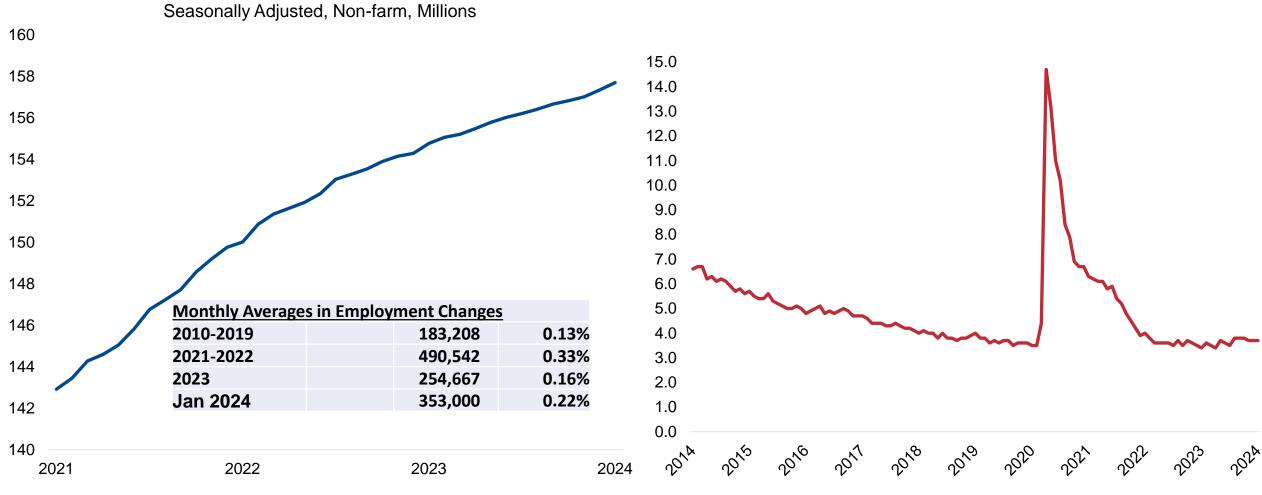




Key U.S. Employment Metrics

Payroll Employment

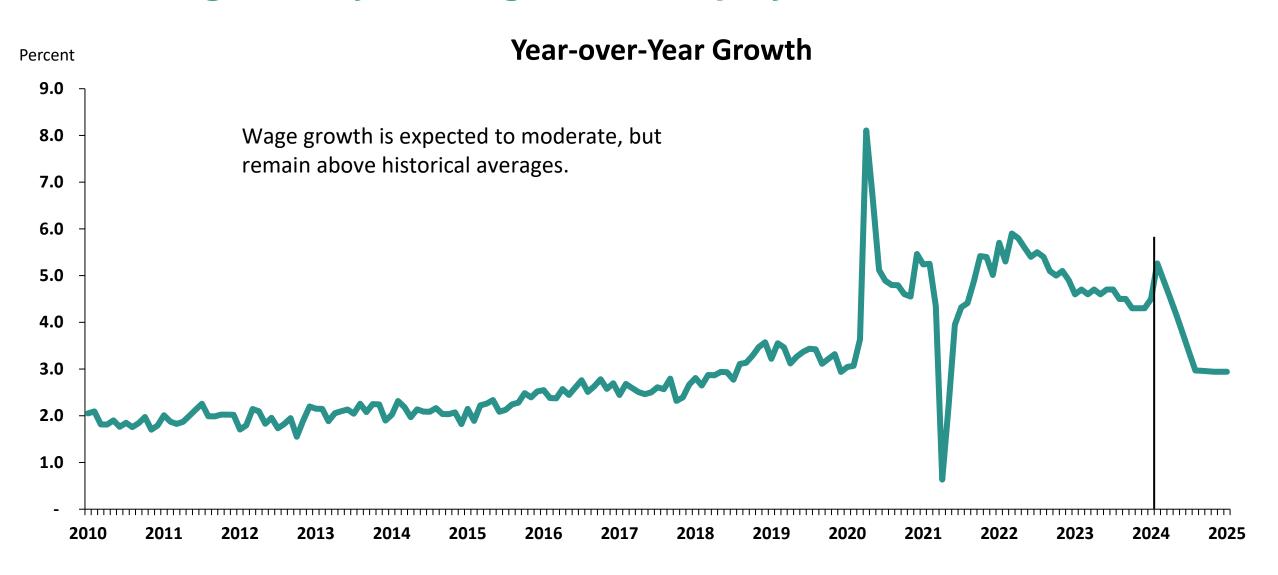
Unemployment Rate







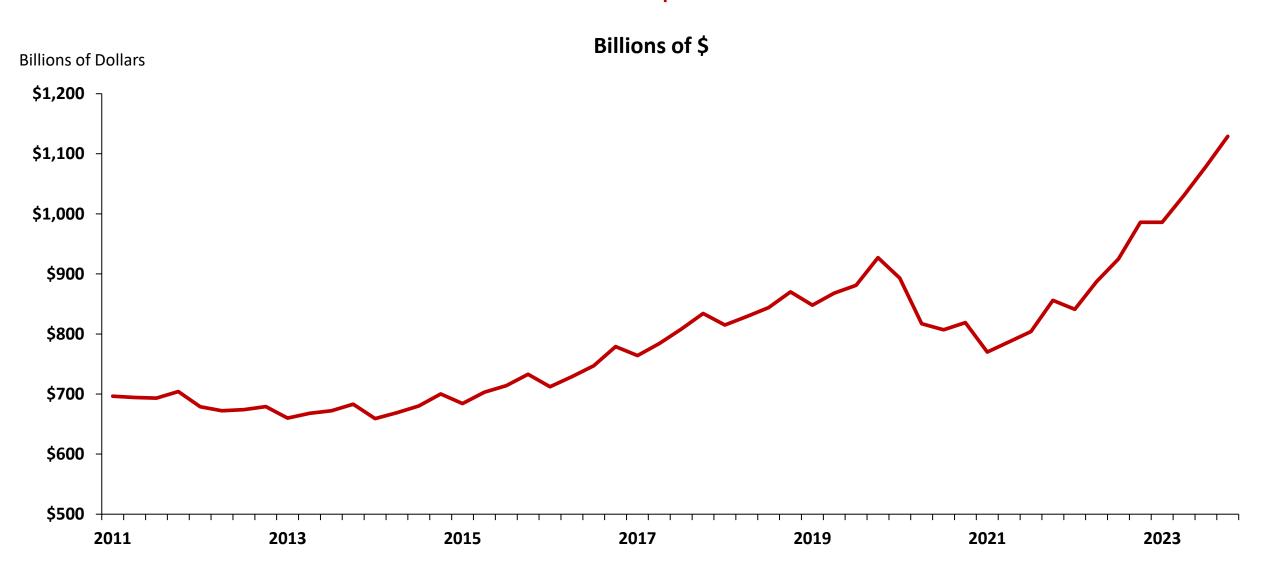
Average Hourly Earnings of All Employees, Total Private Sector







Consumers Now Have Over \$1.1 Trillion Credit Card Debt

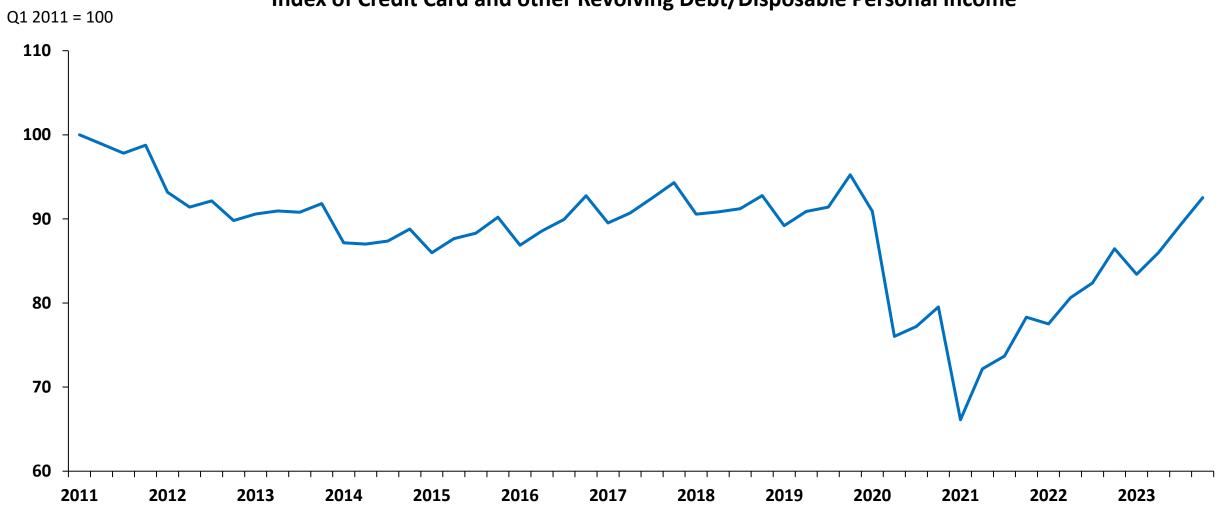






But, Relative to Incomes, Debt Levels Are Manageable

Index of Credit Card and other Revolving Debt/Disposable Personal Income

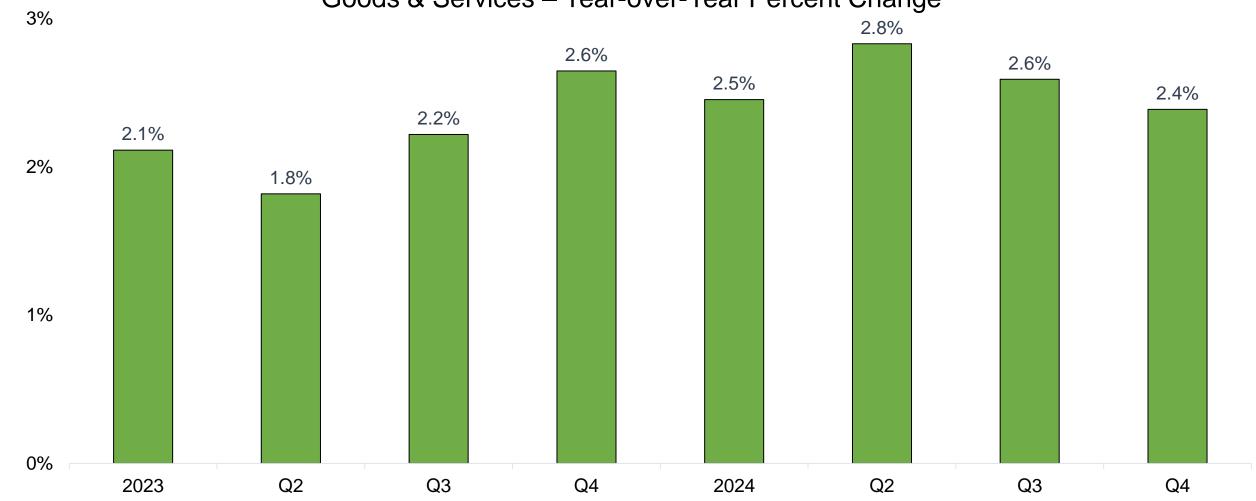






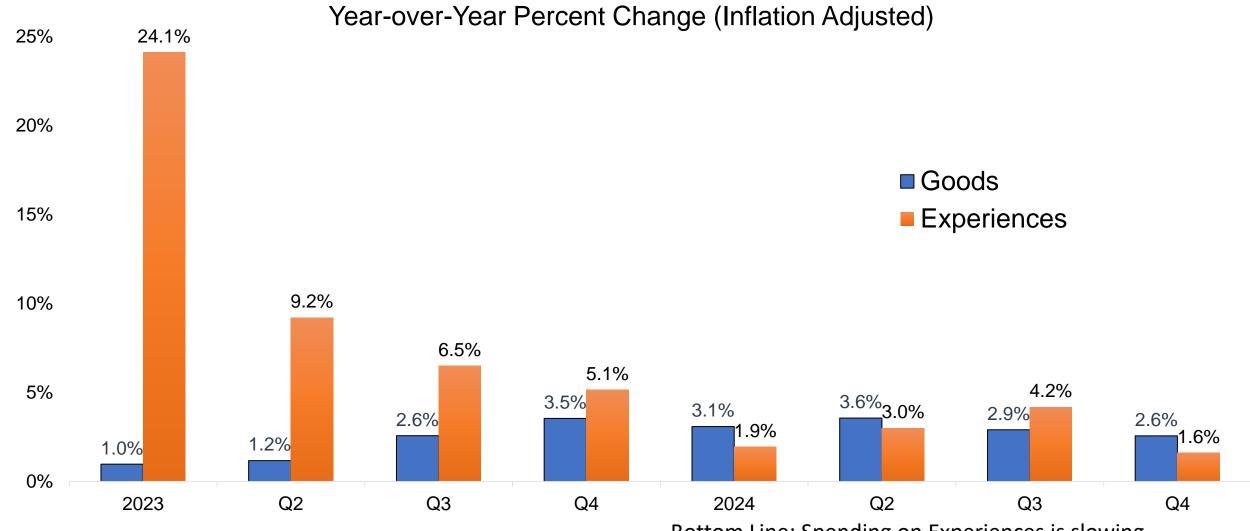
Real Personal Consumption Expenditures

Goods & Services – Year-over-Year Percent Change





Consumer Spending – Goods vs Experiences

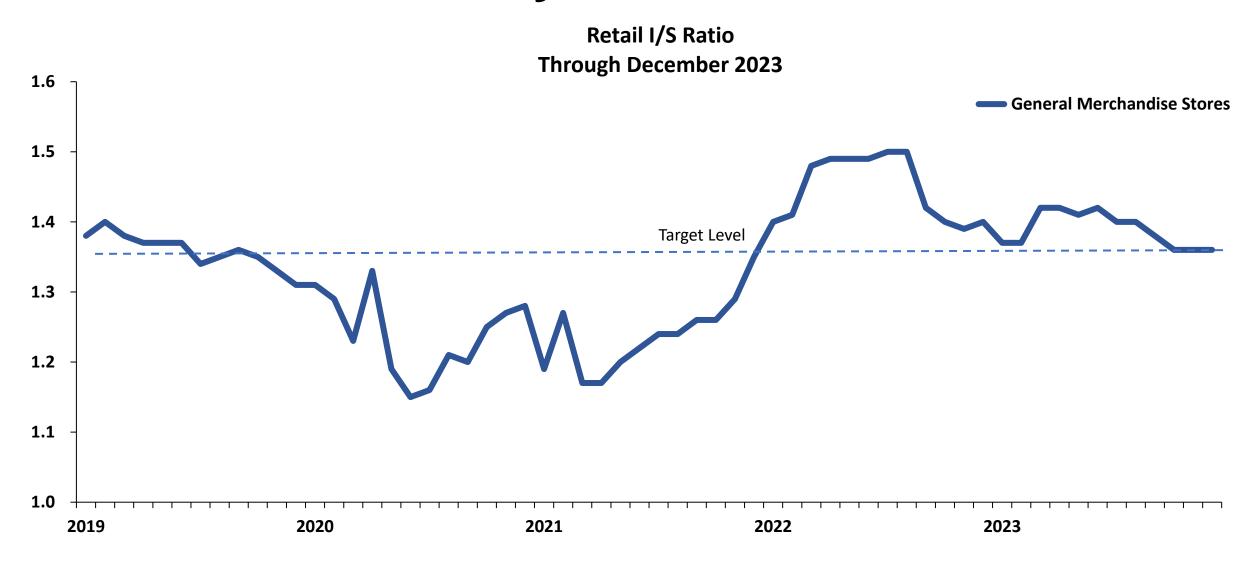




Bottom Line: Spending on Experiences is slowing significantly, while spending on goods is expected to be slightly higher than in 2023.



Inventory-to-Sales Ratio

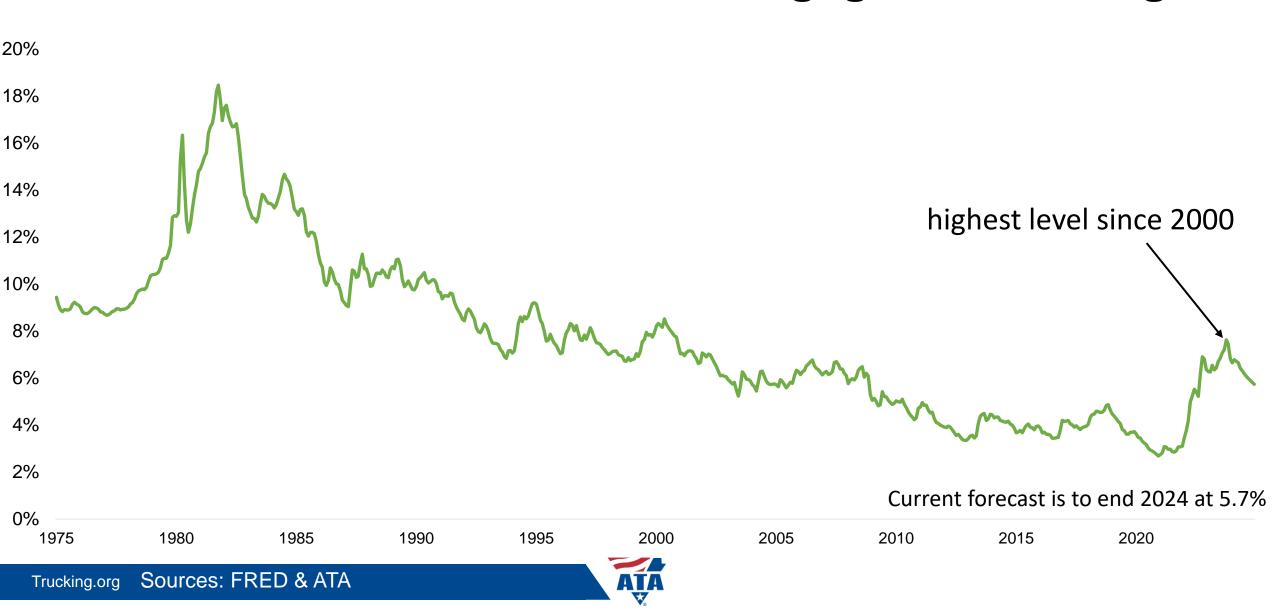








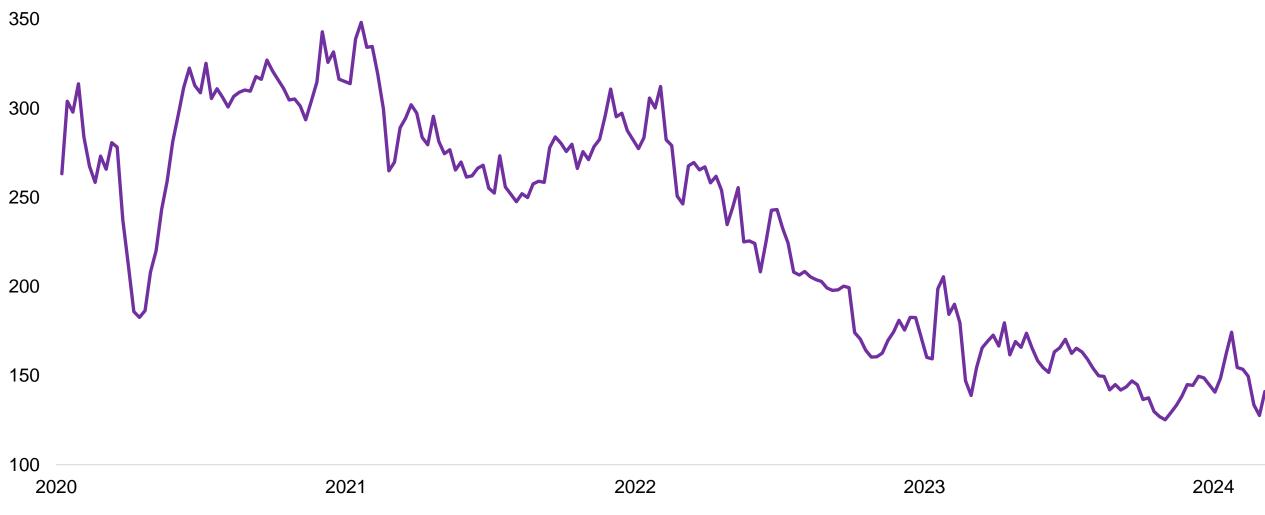
Conventional 30-Year Fixed Mortgage Rate Average





Home Mortgage Applications Index

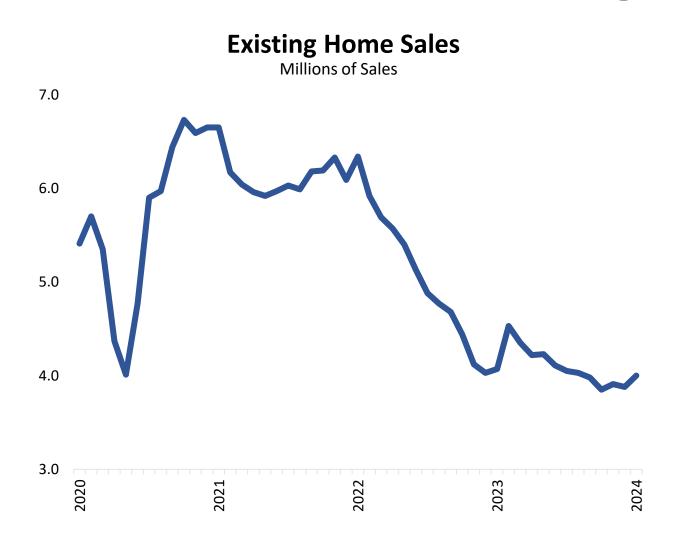
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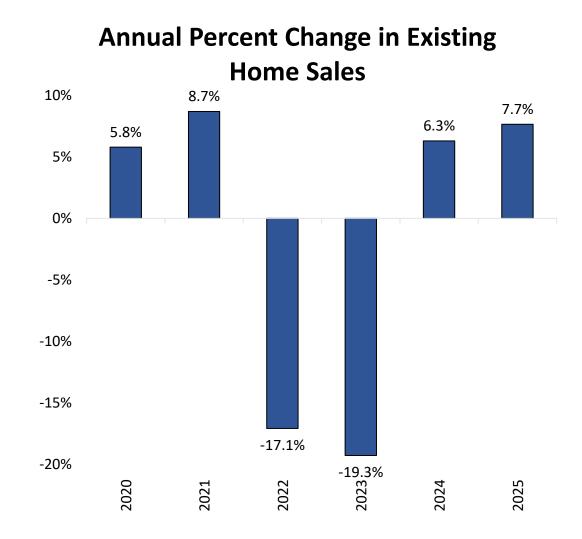






Housing Market

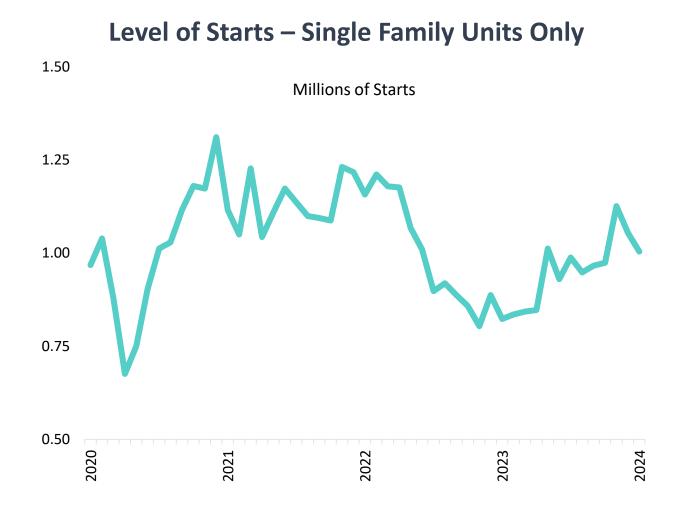


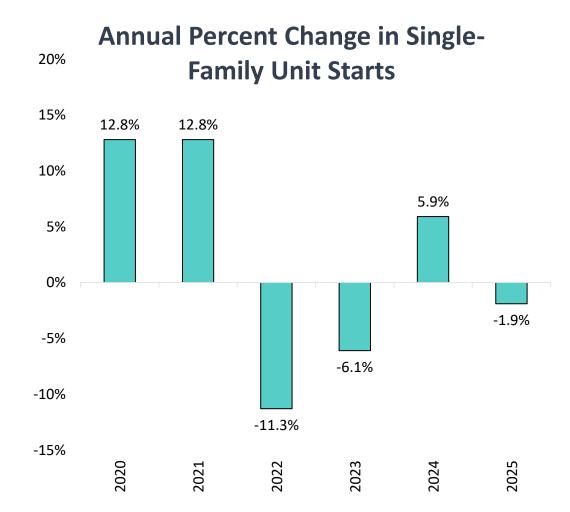






Home Construction Market

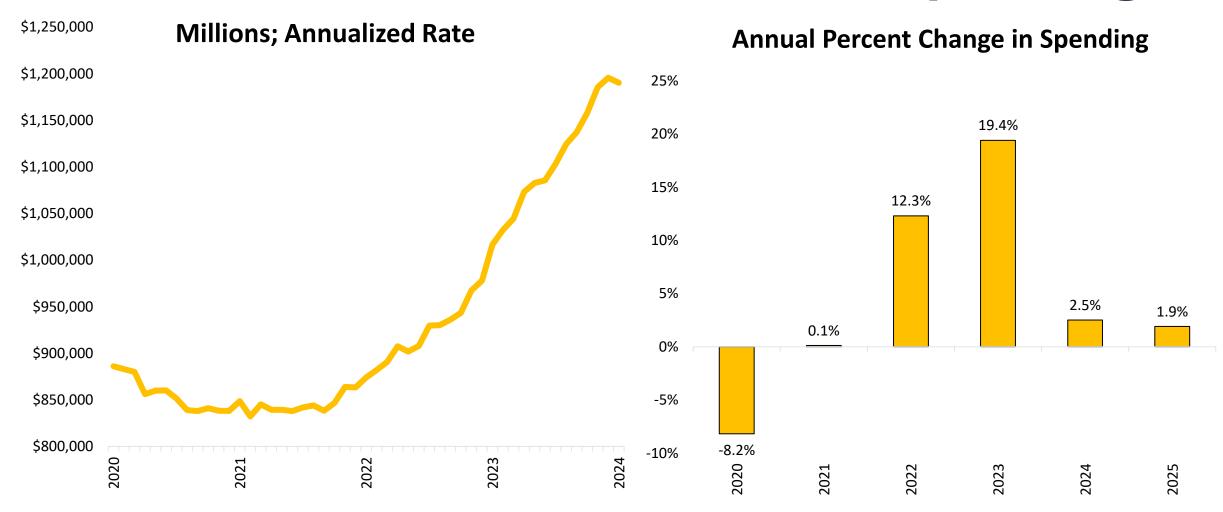








Non-Residential Construction Spending

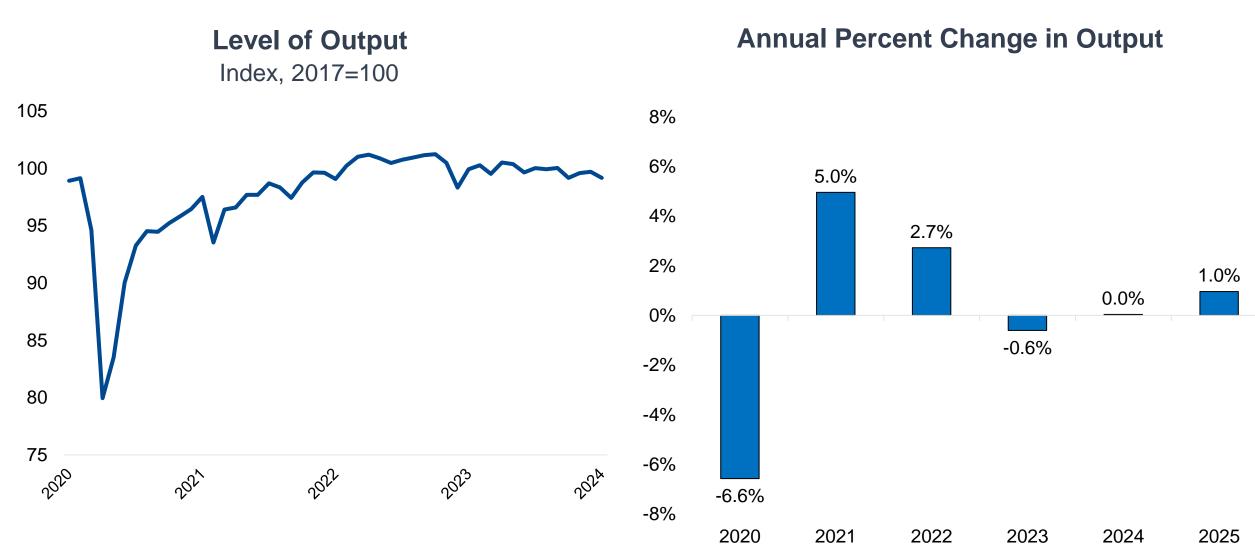








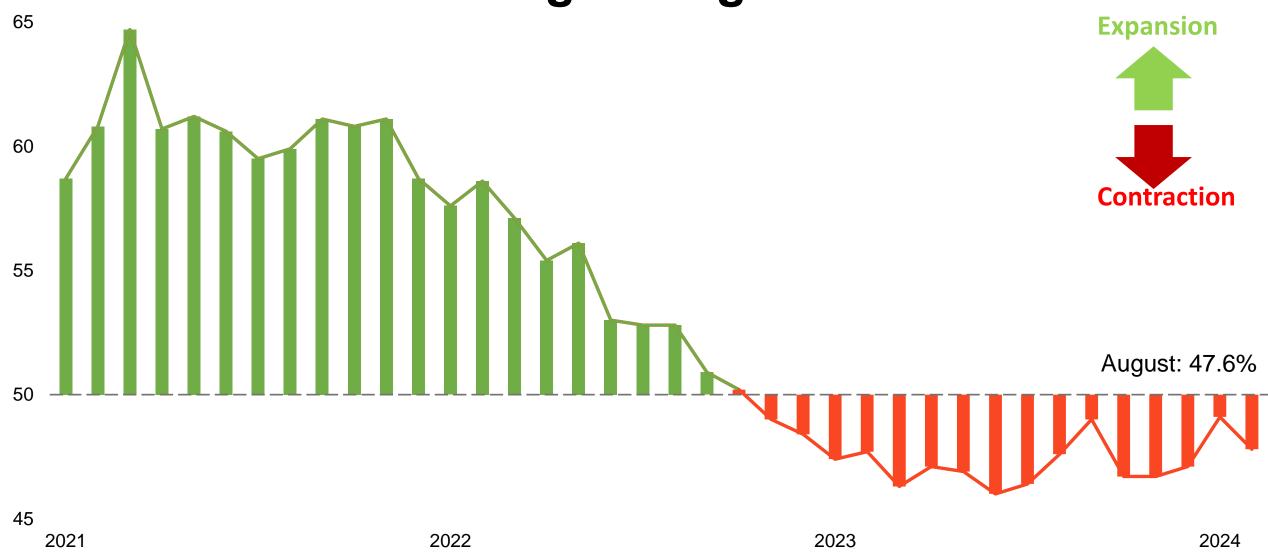
Factory Output







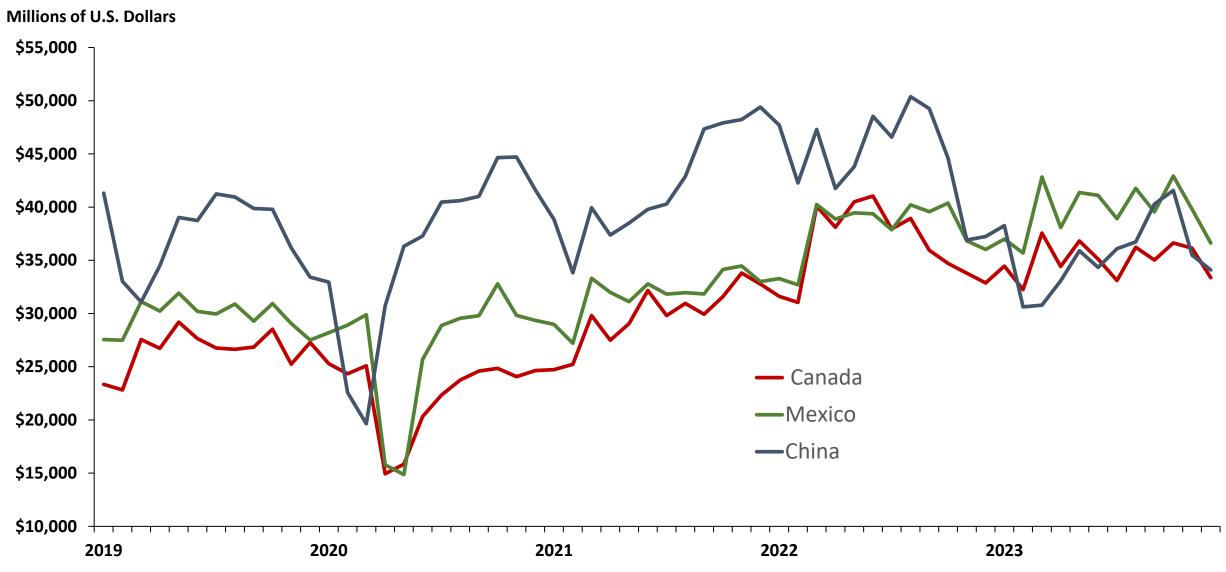
Purchasing Managers' Index







U.S. Goods Imports by Country

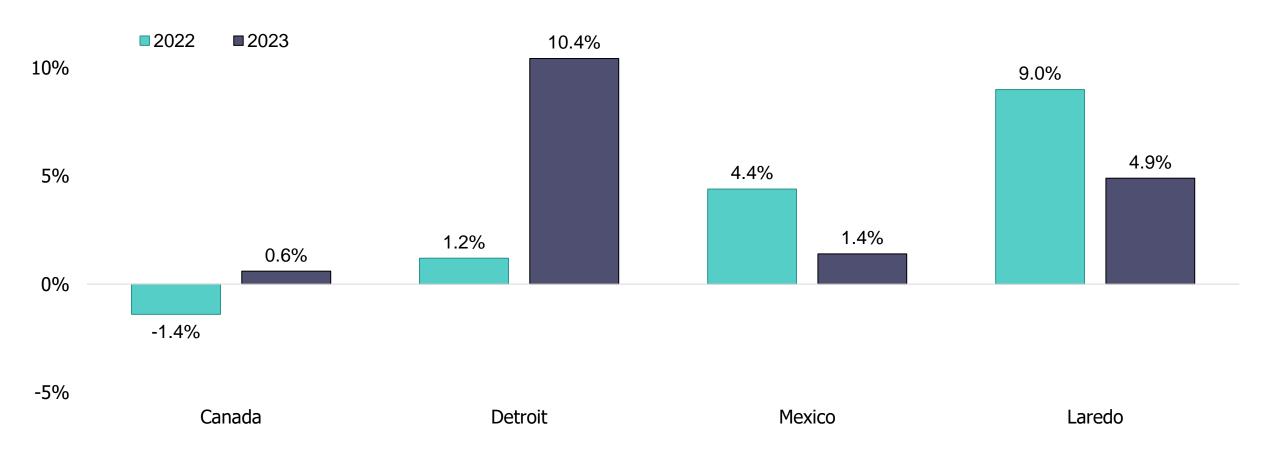




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Cross-Border Truck Volumes

Year-over-Year Percent Change in Number of Truck Crossings

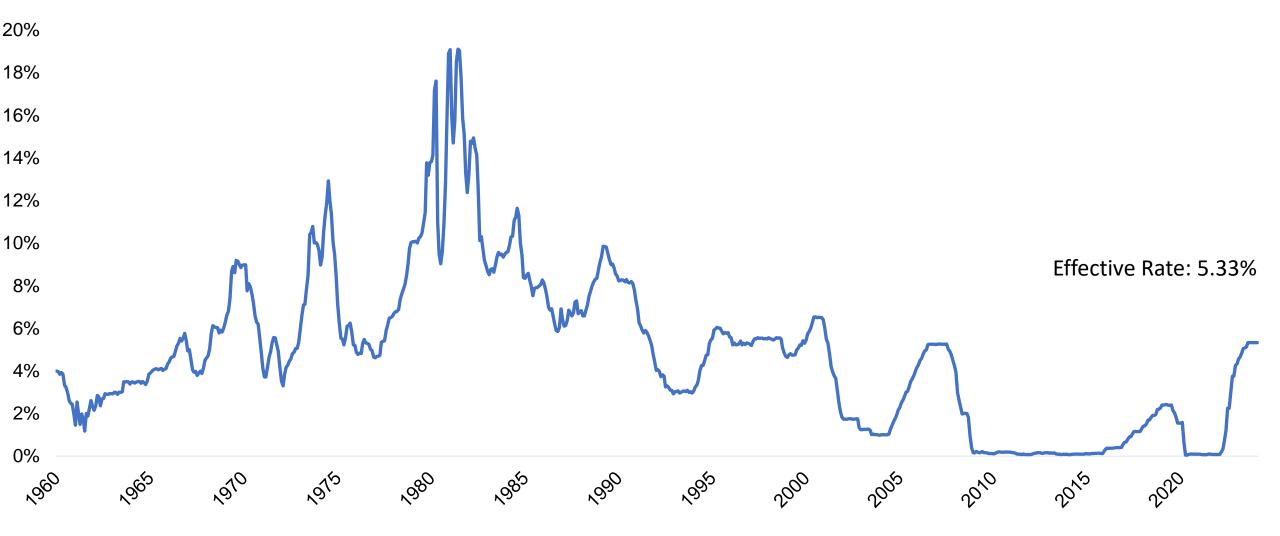








Fed Funds Interest Rate

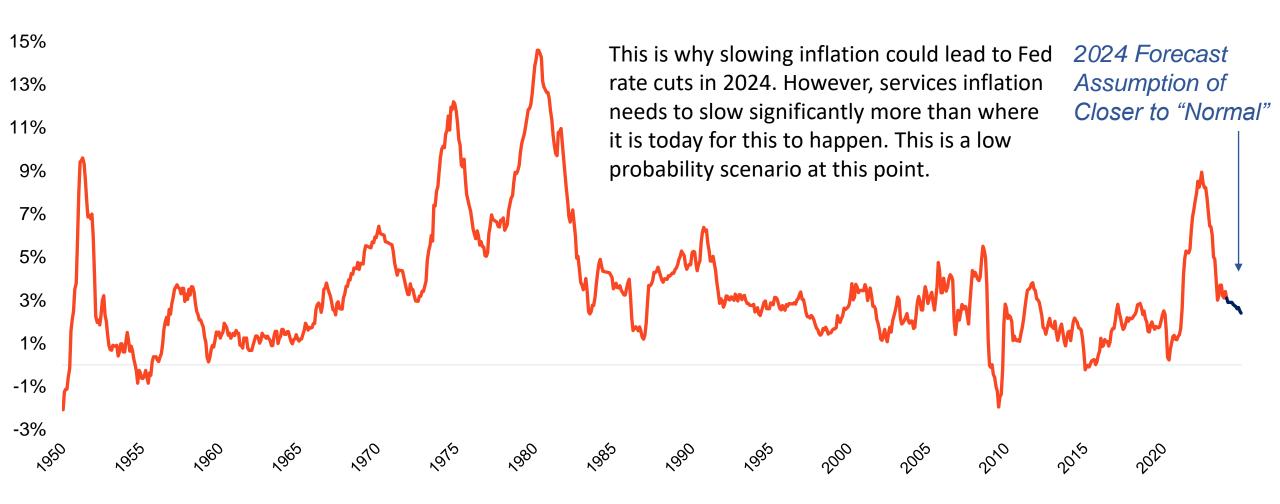






Consumer Price Index

Year-over-Year Percent Change







Real Fed Funds Interest Rate

Inflation Closer to "Normal" Assumption



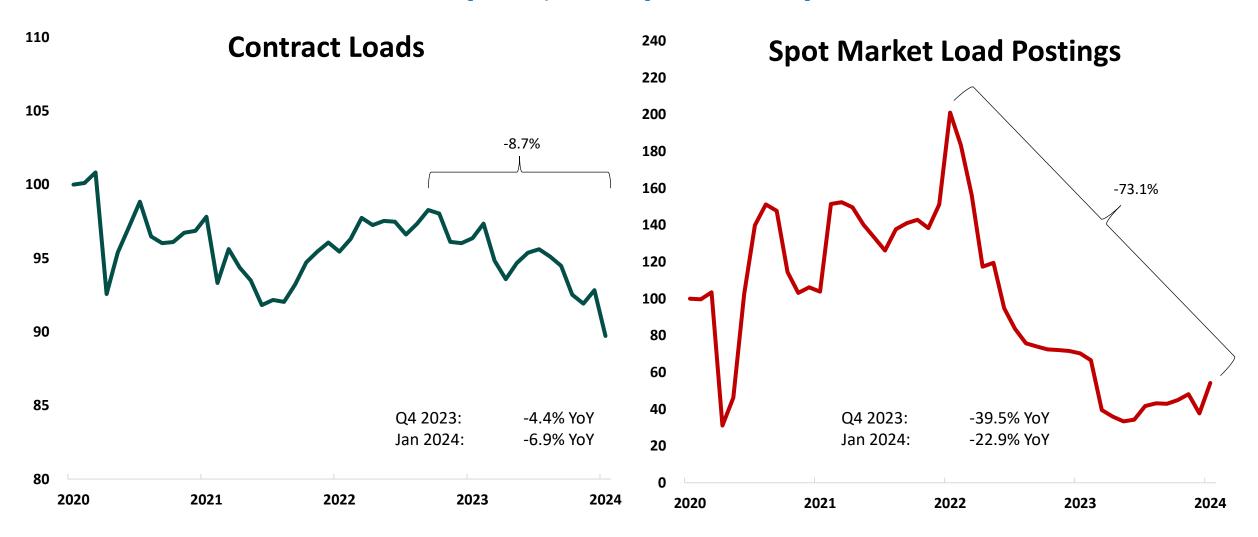






Truckload Loads

(Index; January 2020 = 100)



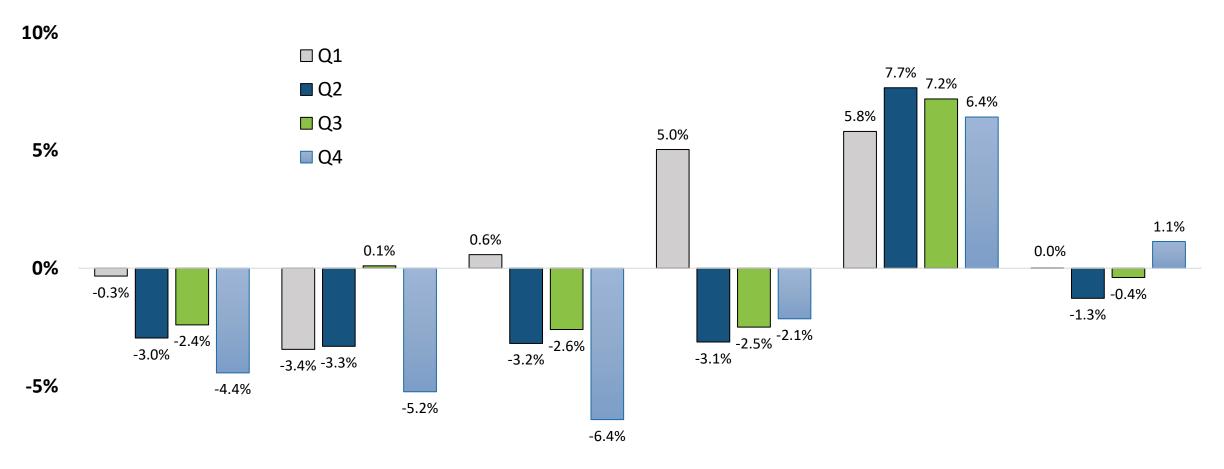


Includes all types of truckload freight.



2023 For-Hire Contract TL Loads by Trailer Type

Year-over-Year Percent Change



-10%

Total

Dry Van Irregular Route

Dry Van Dedicated

Temp Control

Flatbed

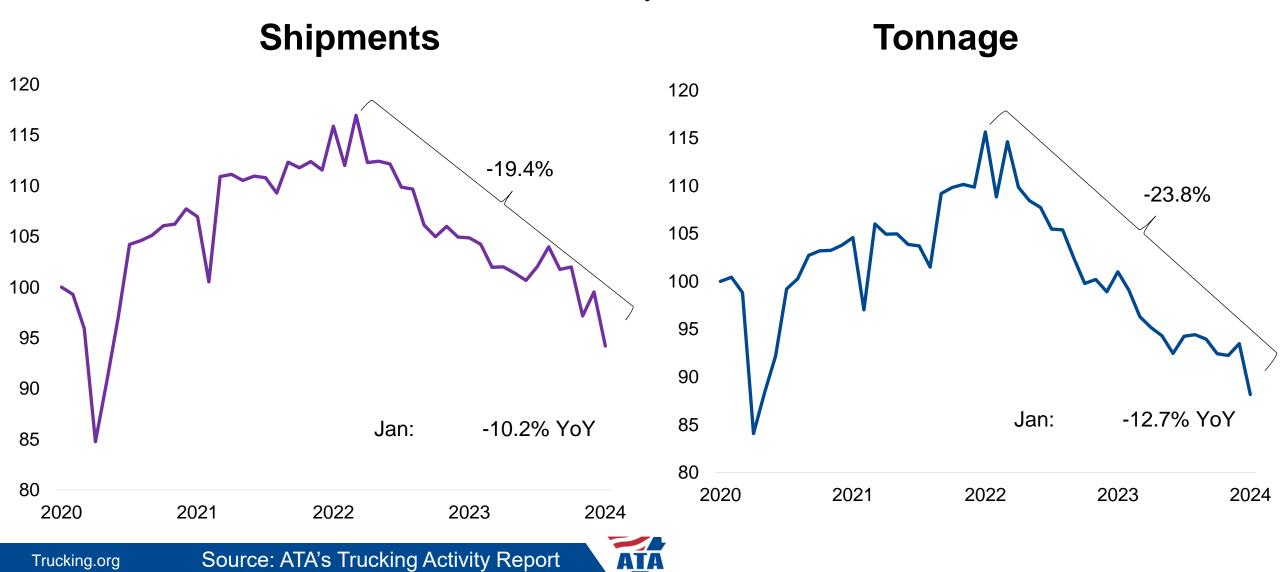
Tank (Bulk & Liquid)





LTL Shipments and Tonnage

Index, January 2020 = 100







Truckload Tractor Counts

(Index; January 2019 = 100)

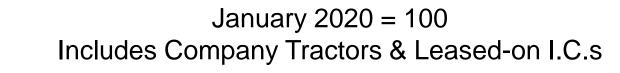


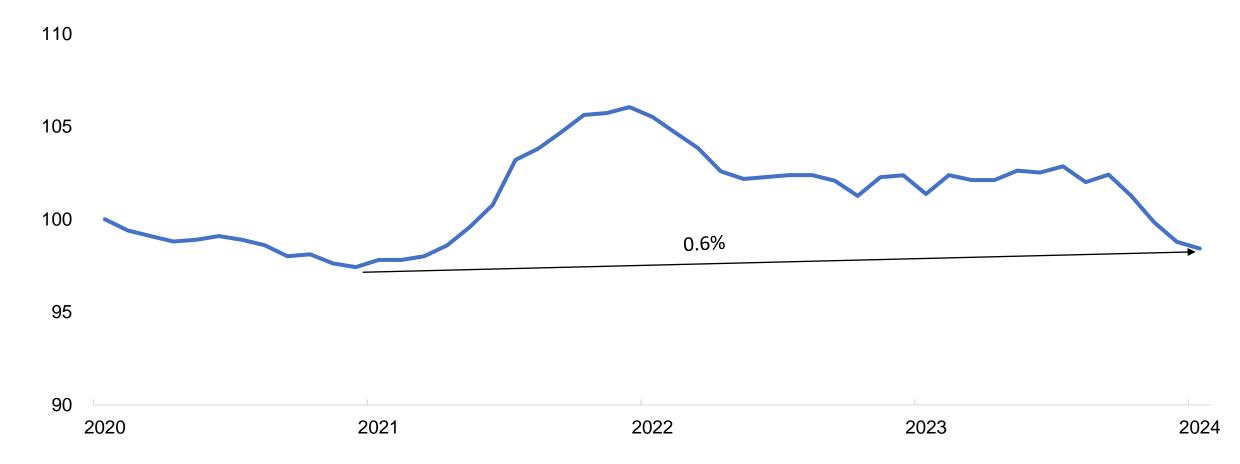




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LTL Tractor Counts



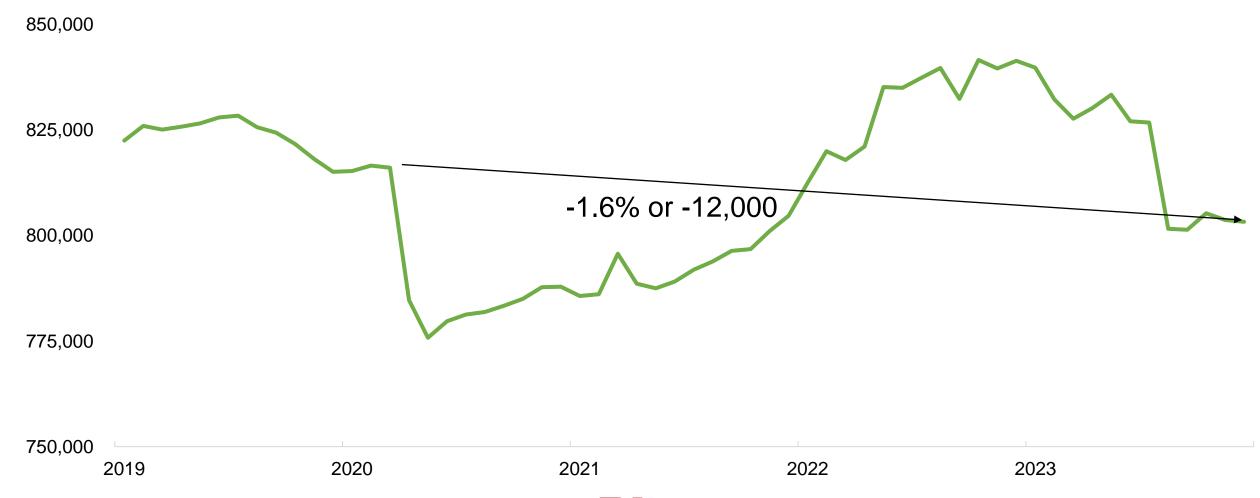






Production & Nonsupervisory Employees: General Freight & Specialized Long-Distance TL & LTL

Excludes Independent Contractors



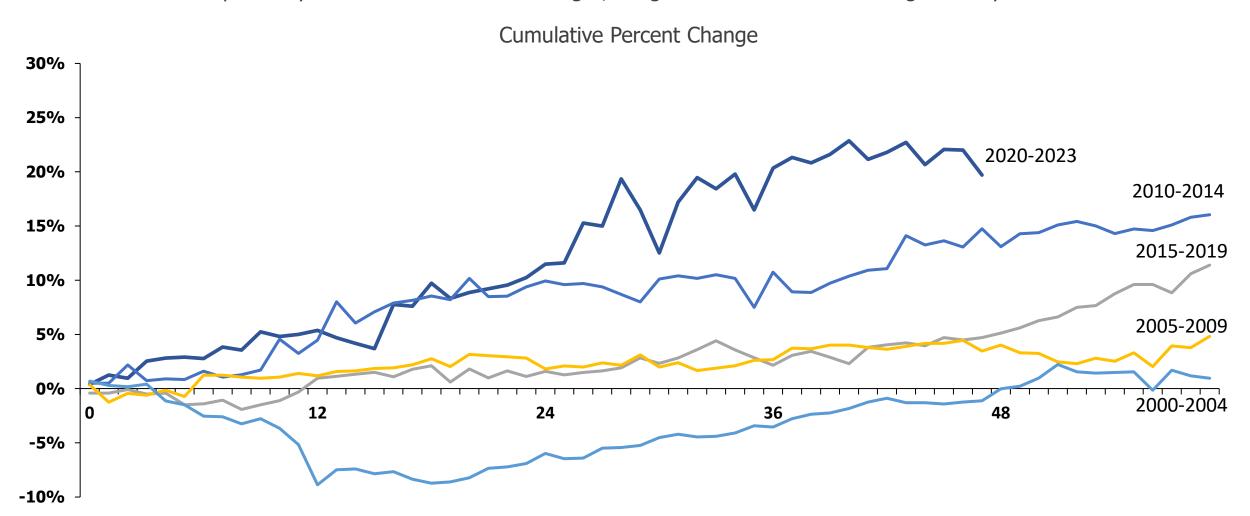
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Average Hourly Earnings

Production & Non-Supervisory Workers in the General Freight, Long-Distance For-Hire Trucking Industry

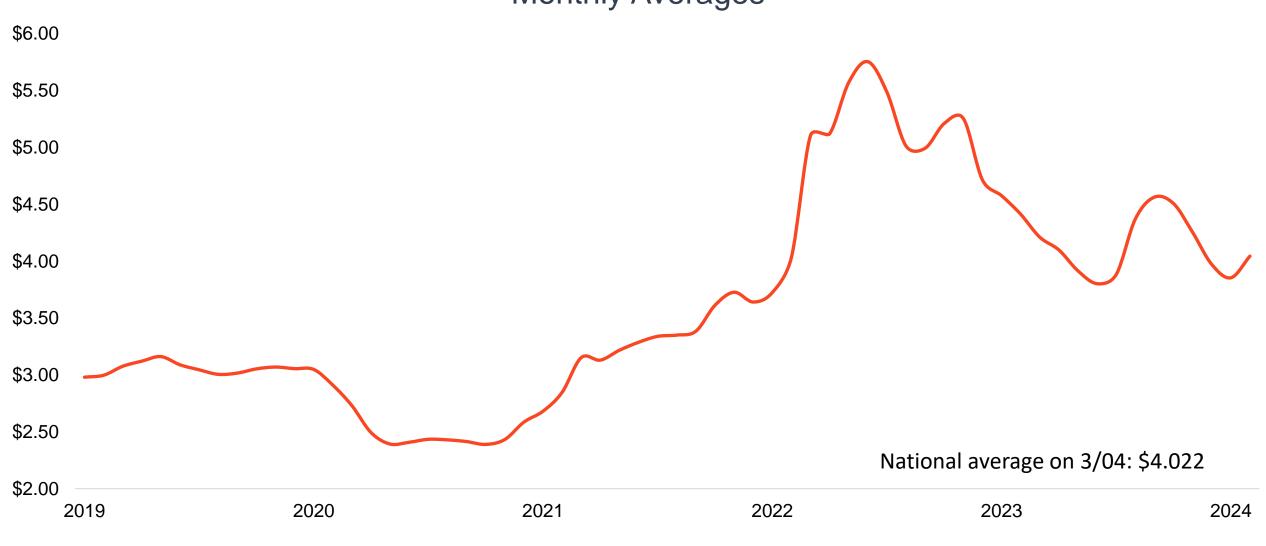






Retail Diesel Prices

Monthly Averages

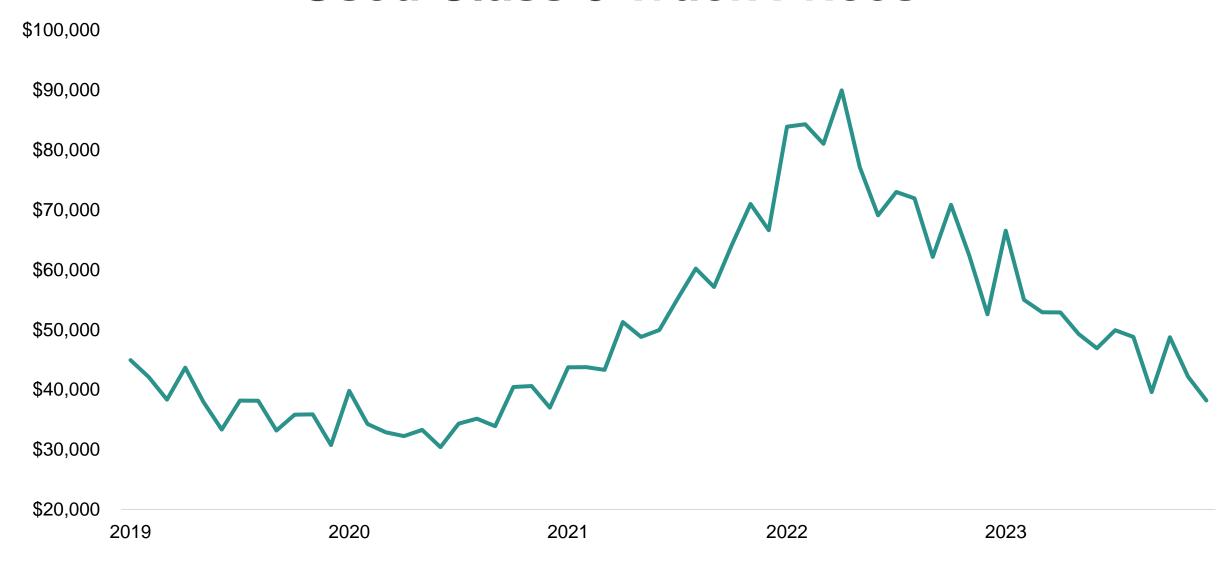




Source: DOE



Used Class 8 Truck Prices





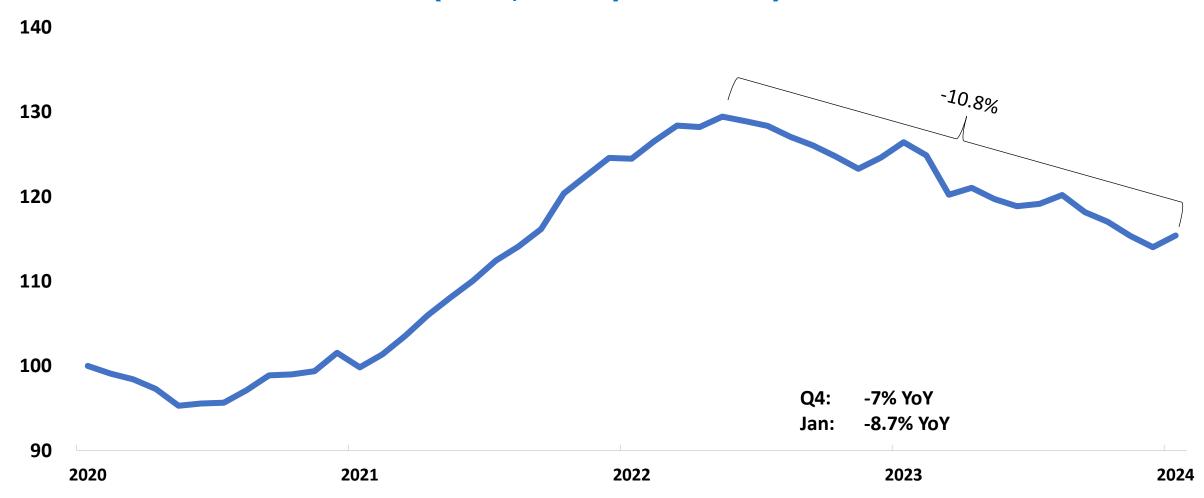




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Contract Truckload Average Revenue per Mile

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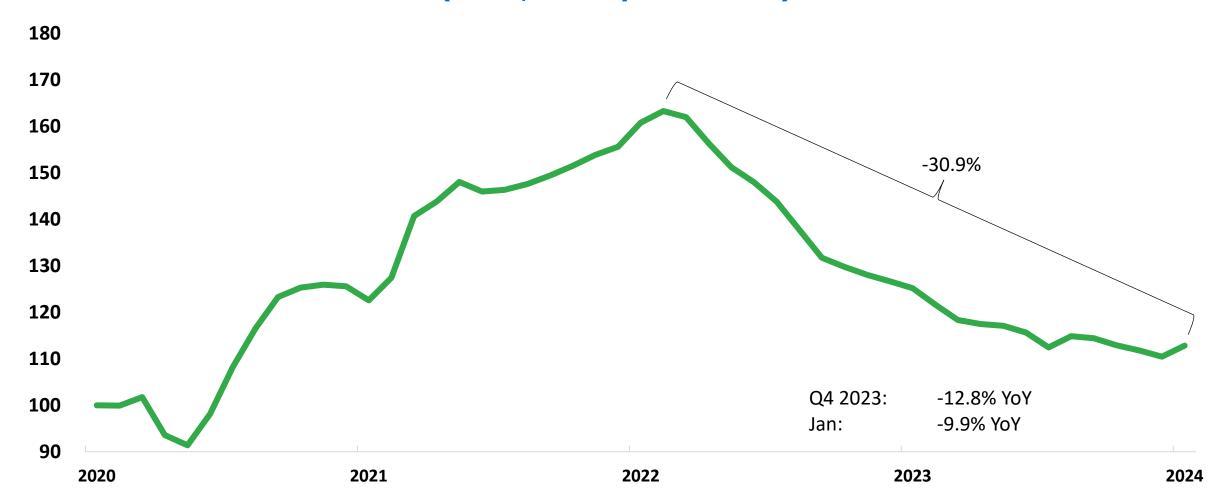






Spot Market Rates

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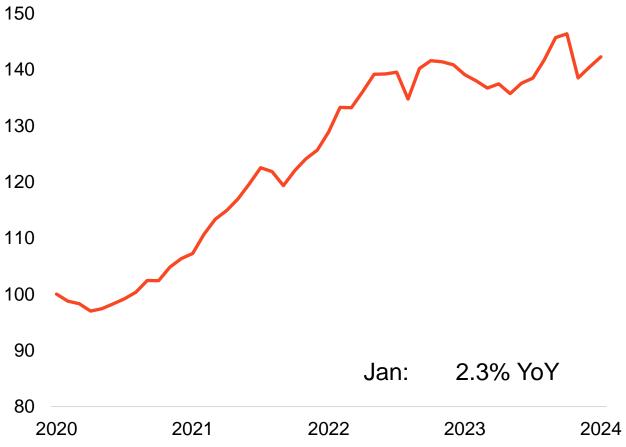


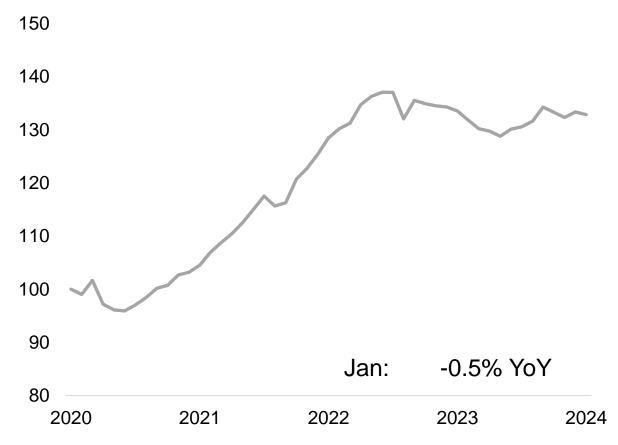
LTL Pricing Proxy Metrics

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Revenue per Ton

Revenue per Shipment







Note: Revenue metrics exclude fuel surcharge revenue.

- Currently, there is more industry capacity than freight demand.
- Unlikely to see significant enough headwinds in demand to right size the industry in 2024.
- Fleets in the spot market and those who bought expensive used equipment are under the most pressure.
- Carrier failures may bring supply and demand closer to balance in the quarters ahead.





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