U.S. Economic Outlook

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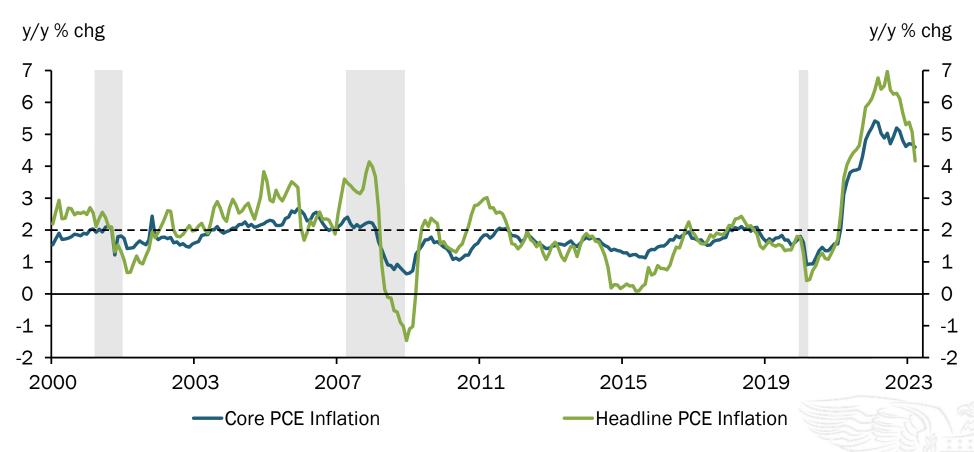
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Overview

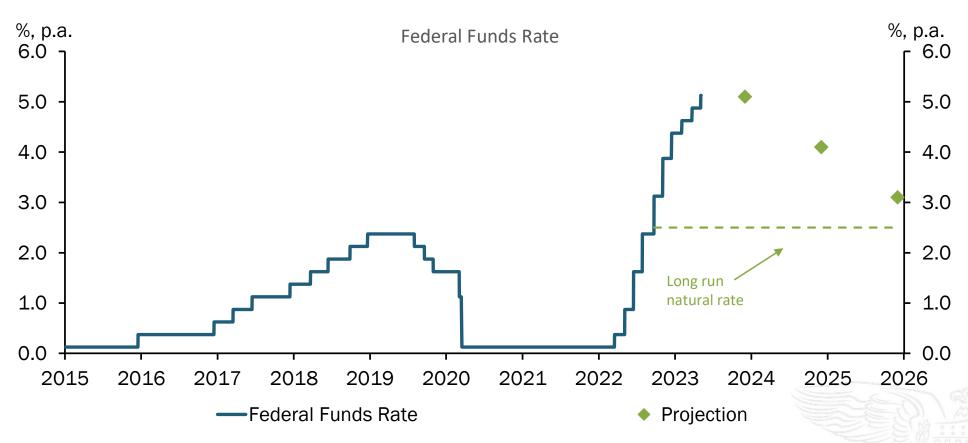
- Many of the economic sectors where inflation was outsized over the past two years are showing some signs of moderating, but inflation still has some momentum alongside a tight labor market
- Wage growth is beginning to moderate but remains well-above historical averages
- Job growth has slowed and workers who have lost their job are facing more difficulties finding new employment in recent months
- Banks expect to further tighten their credit standards over the medium term



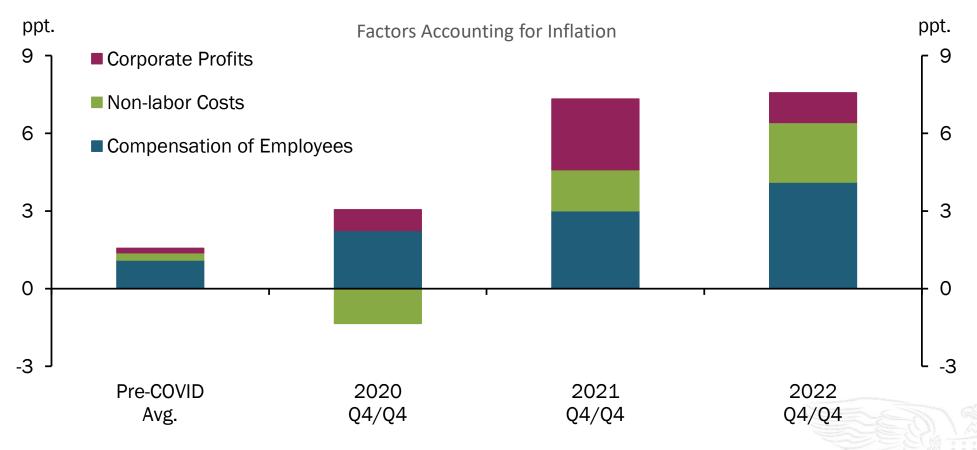
Inflation remains elevated, with core inflation maintaining momentum



The Federal Reserve raised interest rates rapidly over the past year, and projects that rates will likely remain elevated over the medium term



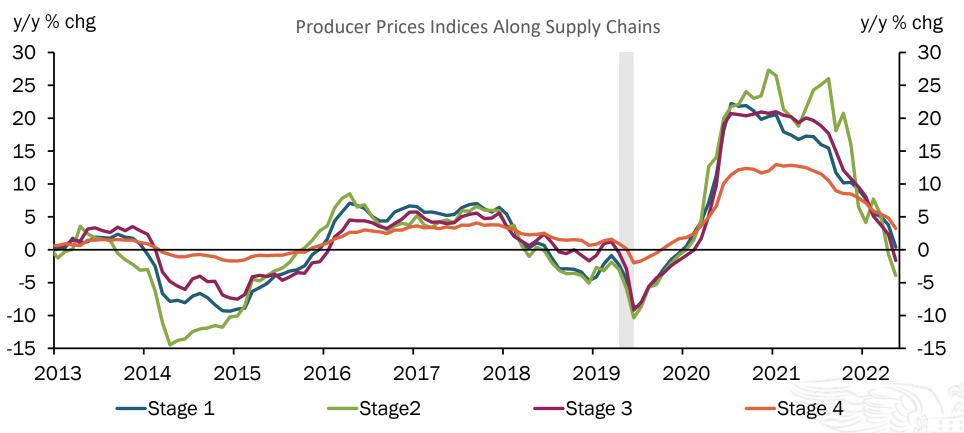
Inflation pressures were evident in several parts of the economy



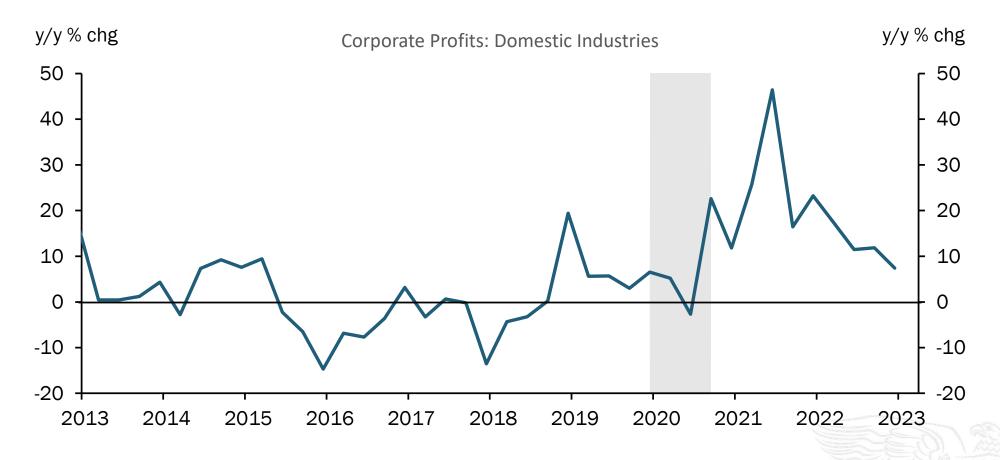
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Now, inflation pressures associated with "non-labor costs" are softening along all stages of production, as input price growth is slowing



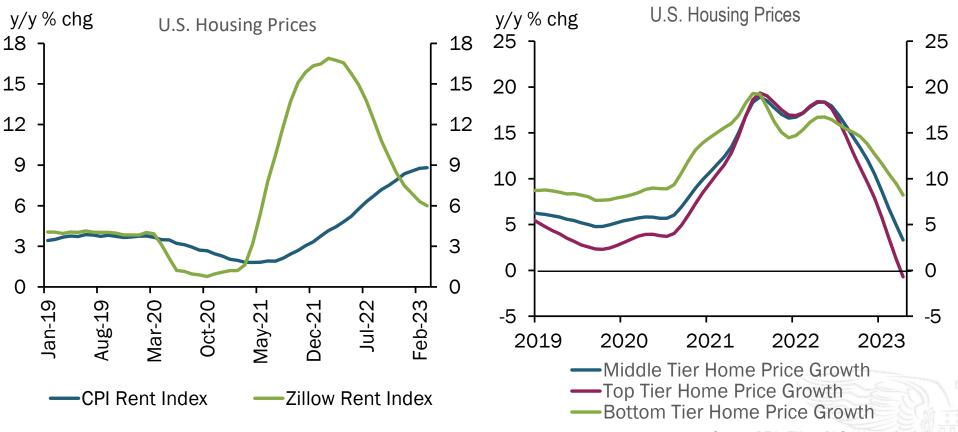
Corporate profits are softening from their recent outsized growth rates



Even though wage growth is moderating, workers' compensation is rising faster than historical norms

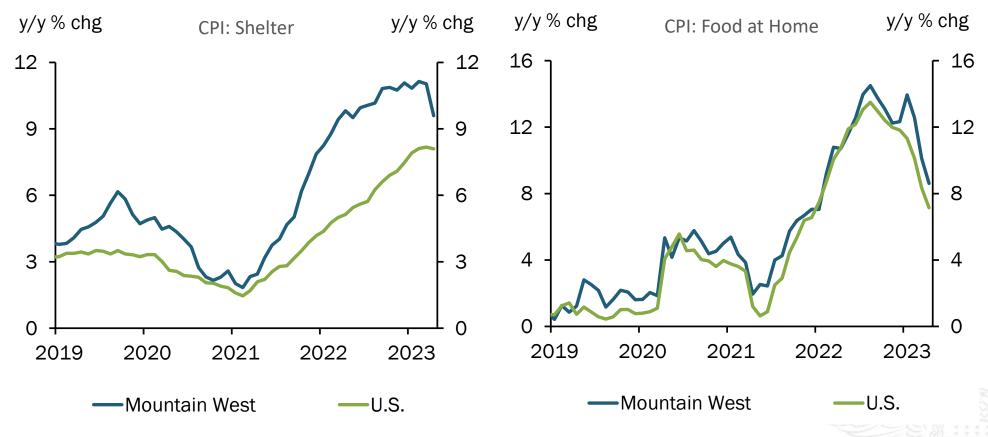


Rent inflation for new leases has slowed after peaking last September

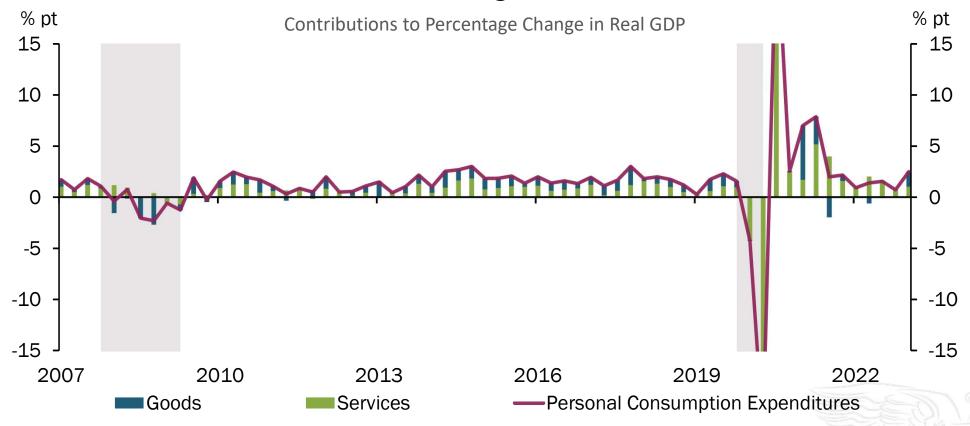


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The mountain region is experiencing higher price growth in nondiscretionary categories like shelter and food at home



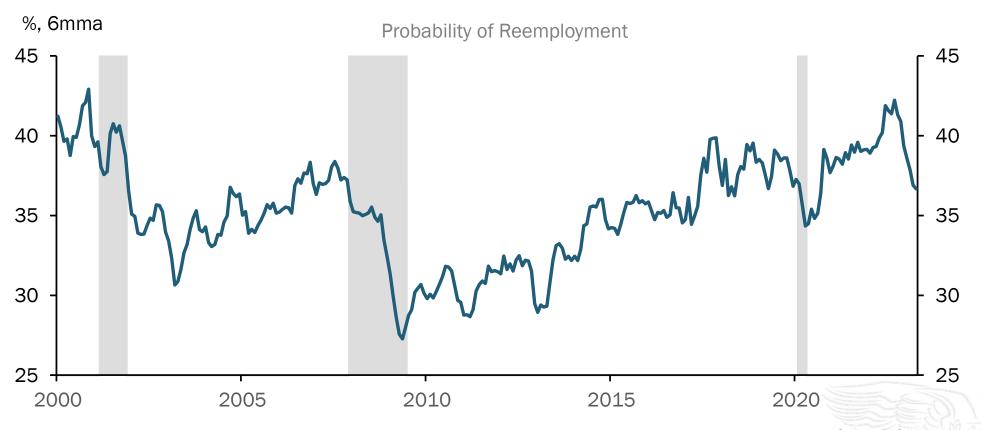
Consumer spending growth slowed in recent months, reverting to its trend level of contribution to overall growth



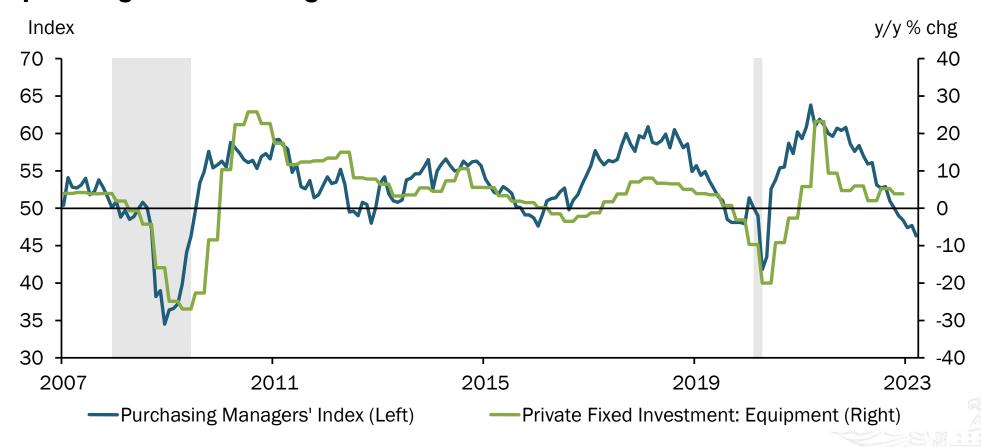
Job growth remains strong but is decelerating to near its trend level



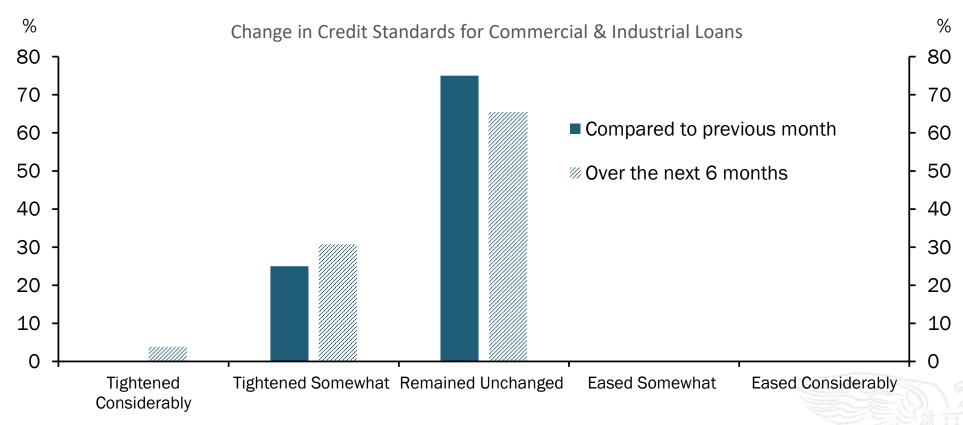
Workers who recently lost their jobs are facing more difficulties finding new employment opportunities



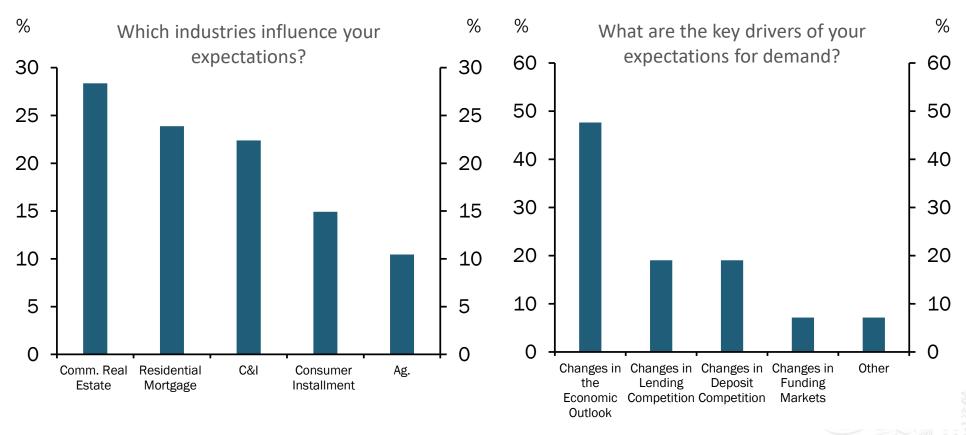
Businesses' purchases of materials, equipment and other capex spending are declining



An increased share of banks expect to further tighten their credit standards over the next six months



Banks in the region are reportedly tightening conditions most in real estate because of shifts in the economic outlook



Source: FRBKC

Looking ahead

- Inflation still has momentum in many home spending categories, and slowing that momentum will be key to restoring price stability over coming months
- Several signs of labor markets softening have begun to emerge, including a downshift is expected wage growth over the coming year
- The Federal Reserve has stated a sustained stance of restrictive policy is likely to be appropriate to restore price stability and it will be closely monitoring developments to guide future policy decisions



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