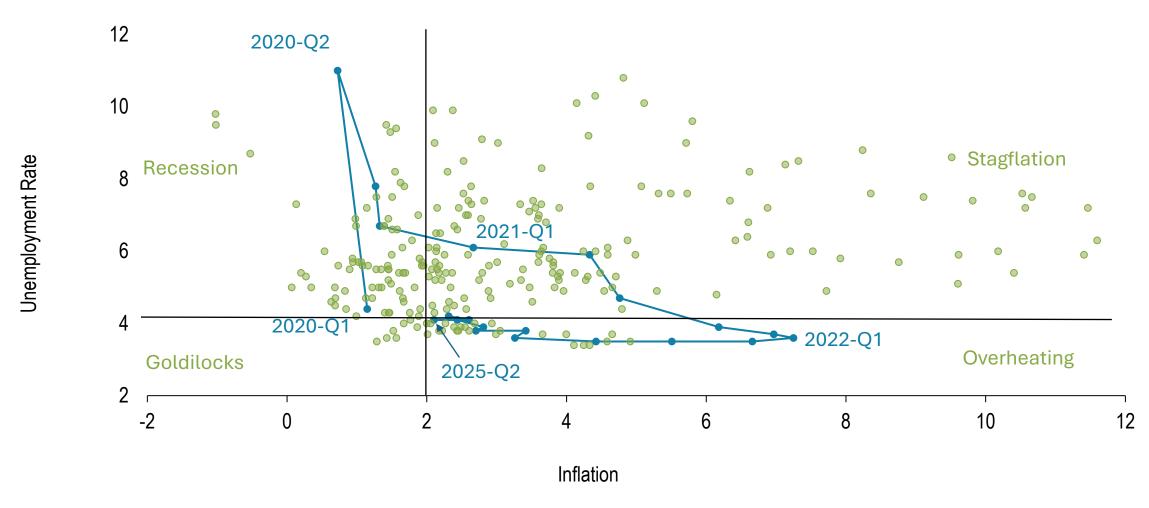
# U.S. Economic Outlook July 2025



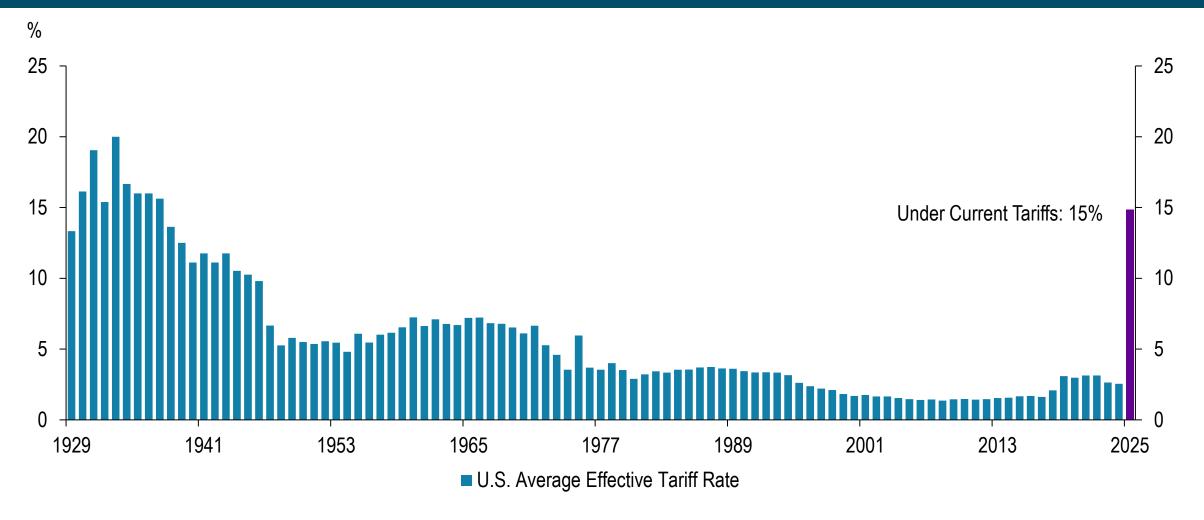
#### **U.S. Economic Outlook**

- The economy is currently operating near the Federal Reserve's dual mandate.
- However, the outlook for the economy remains clouded by uncertainty over recent policy changes, particularly trade policy.
- While tariff rates have increased substantially, the effects on consumer prices have been modest thus far. Instead, it appears that firm profits have absorbed much of the tariff increase.
- The extent to which tariffs raise inflation will depend on the strength of demand and how easily firms can pass through higher costs.

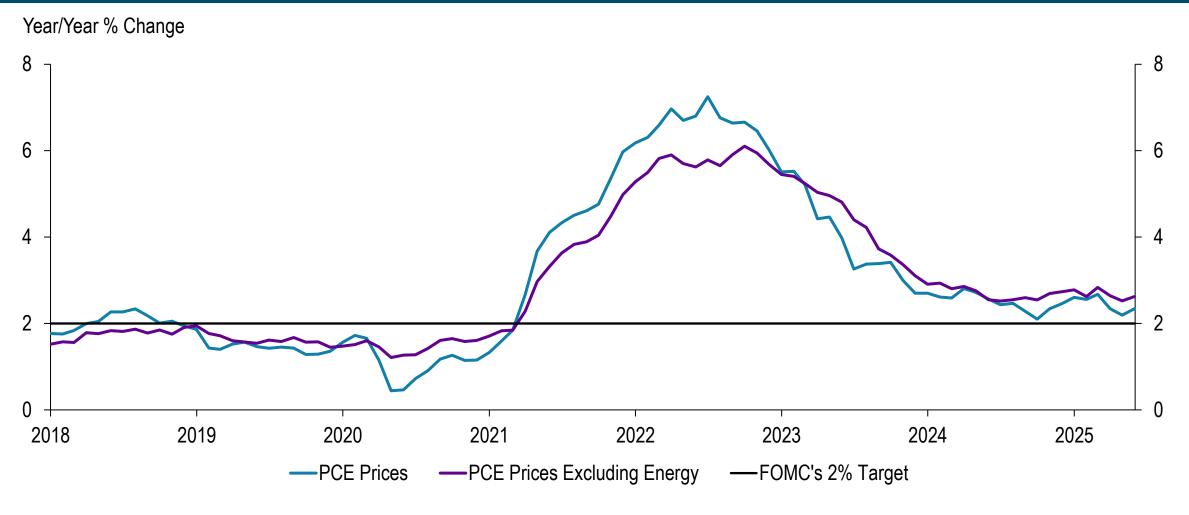
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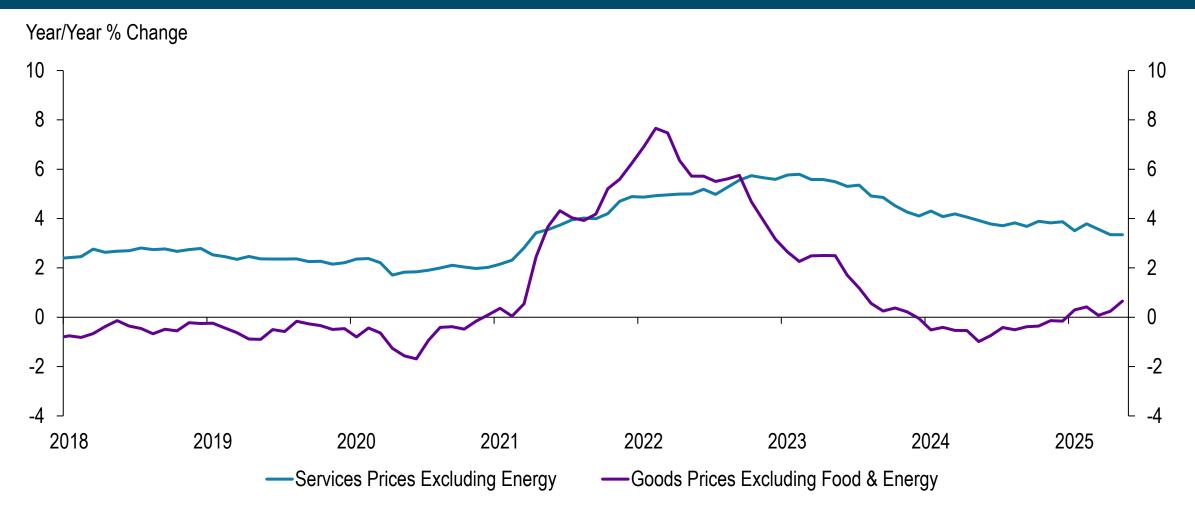
## Tariffs are much higher now



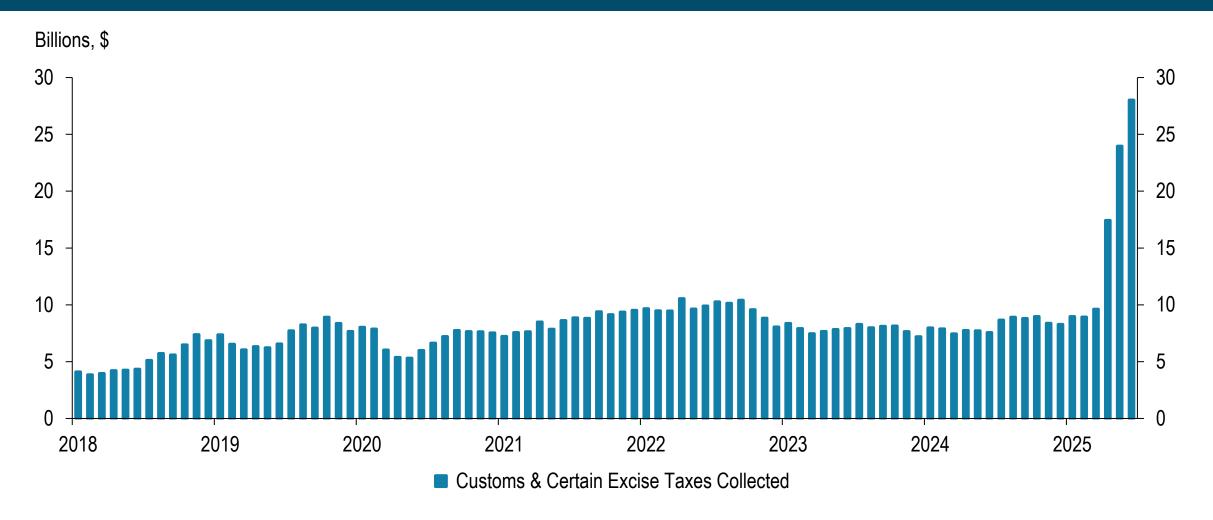
### Not much imprint from tariffs in the inflation data thus far



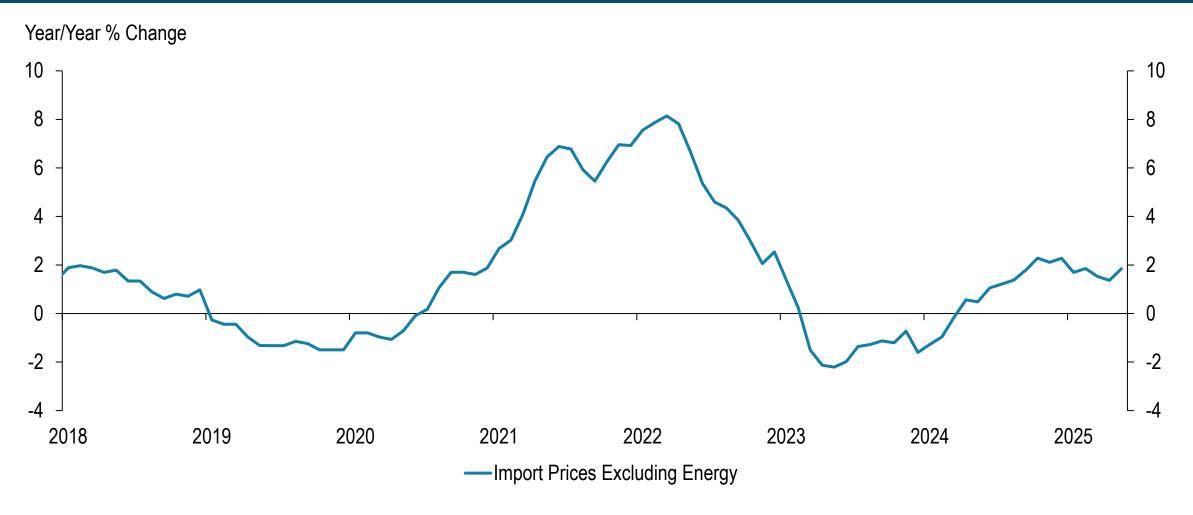
### Even within goods prices, tariff effects are modest so far



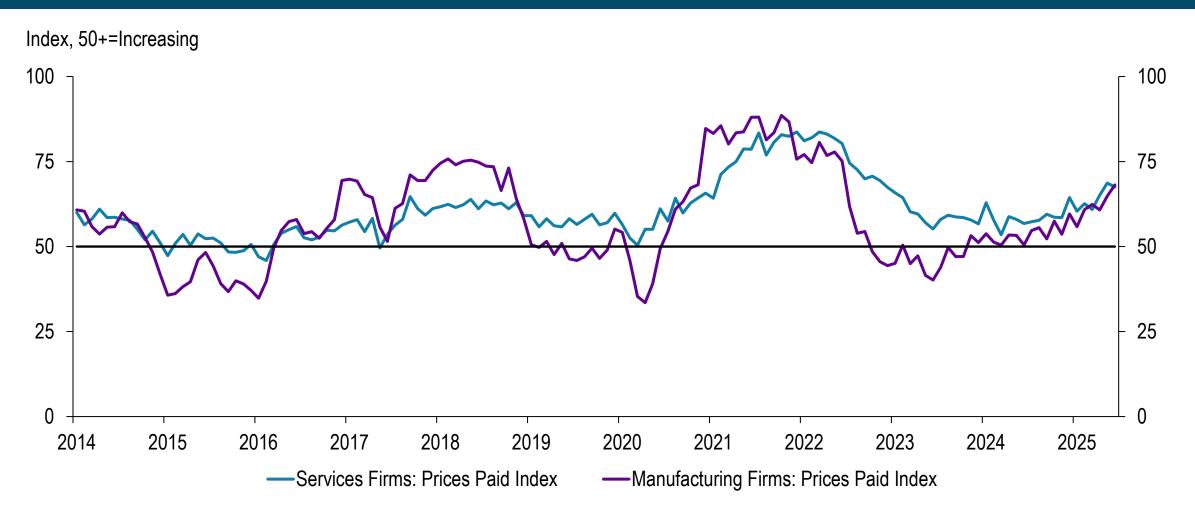
## Someone is paying the tariff



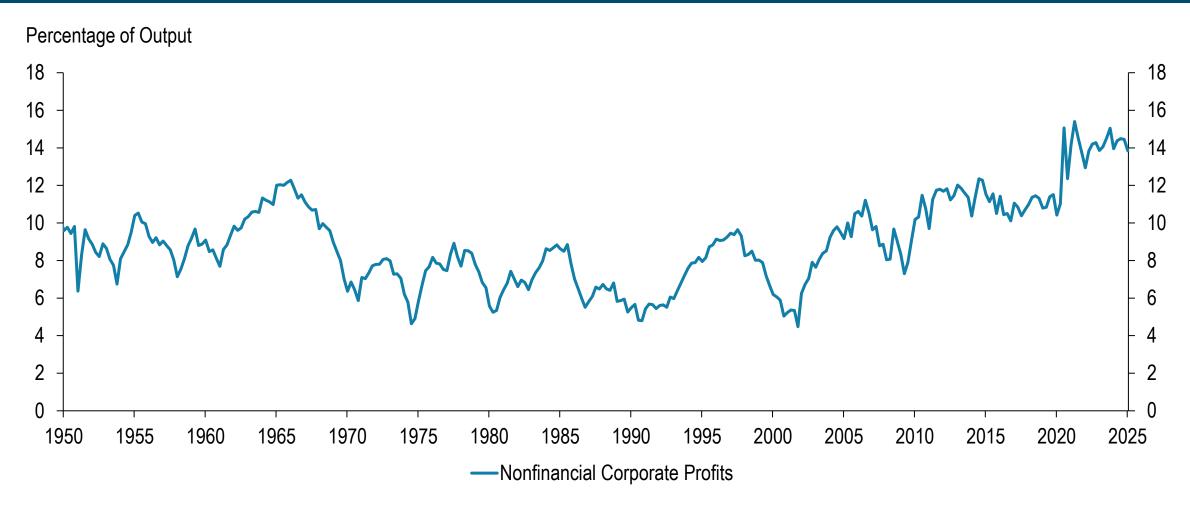
### Little sign that foreign suppliers are paying the tariff



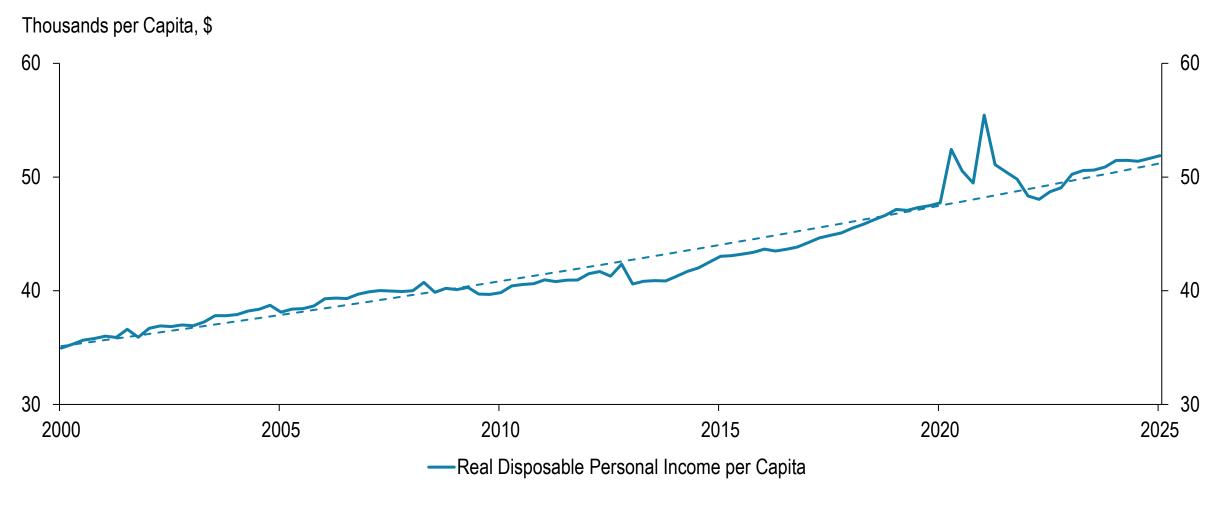
### Firms report paying higher input prices



## Profit margins are elevated, giving firms some scope to absorb higher tariffs



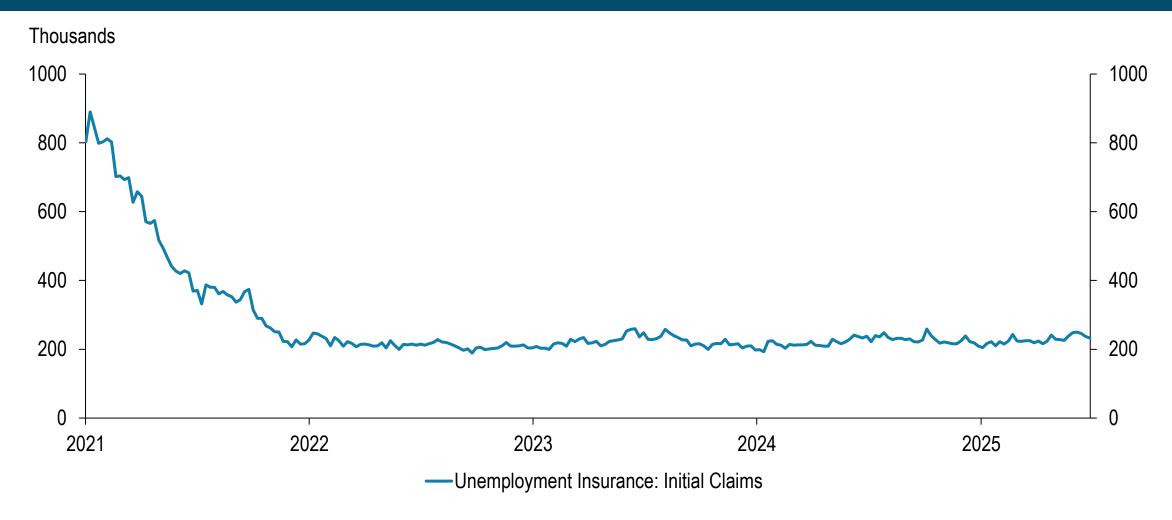
## As we learned in recent years, firms will pass through higher costs when demand is strong



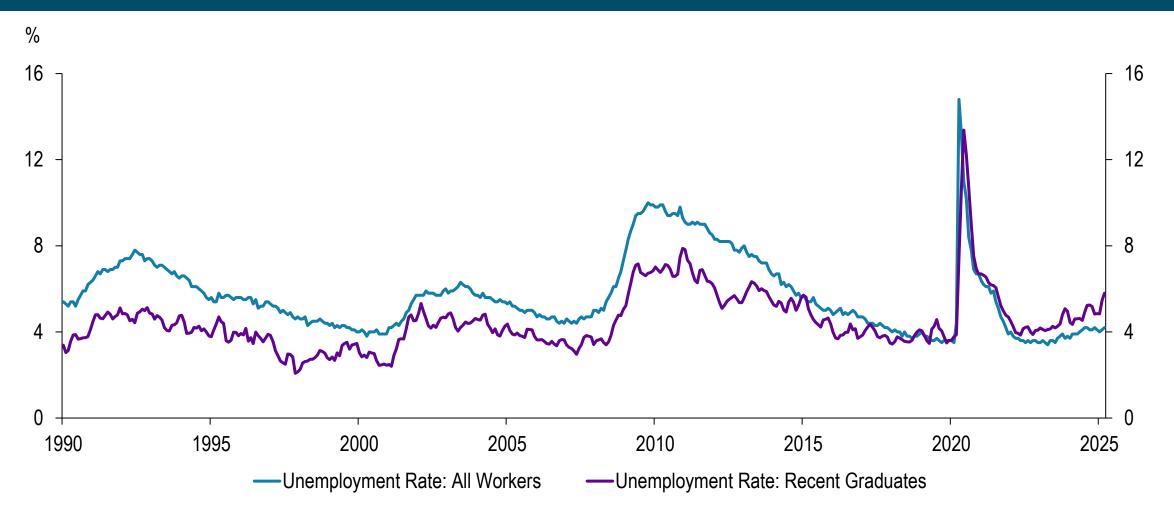
## While the unemployment rate remains low, the labor market is cooling



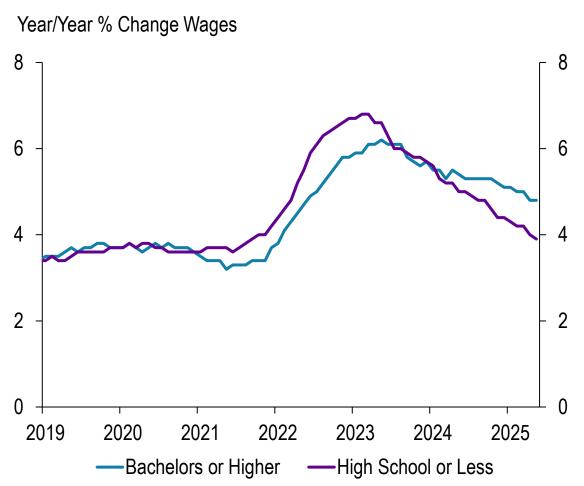
## Firms are reluctant to lay off workers

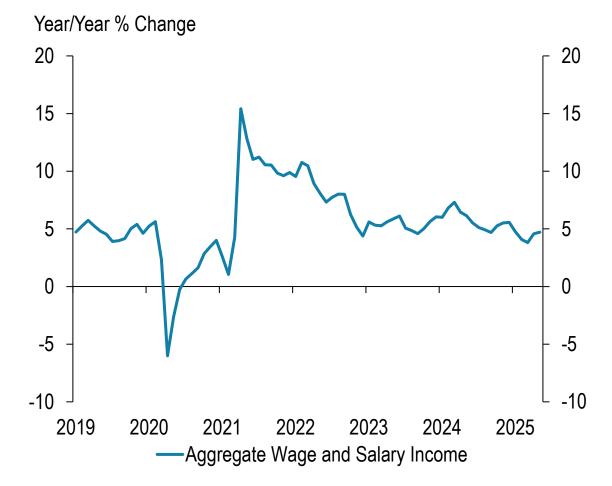


## The low hiring, low firing labor market is a challenge for those entering the workforce



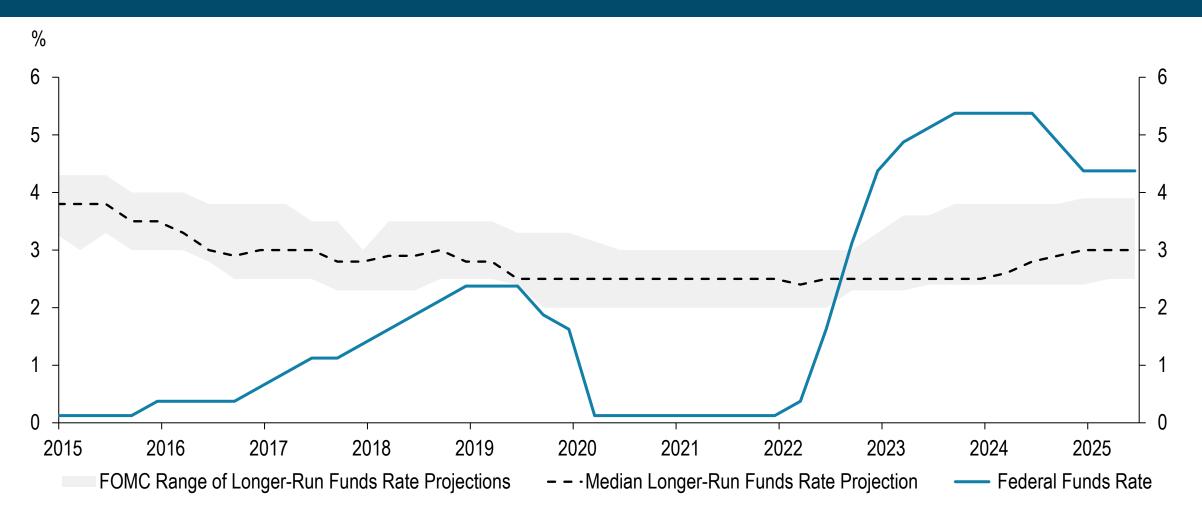
## As hiring slows and wage growth moderates, growth in aggregate labor income is normalizing



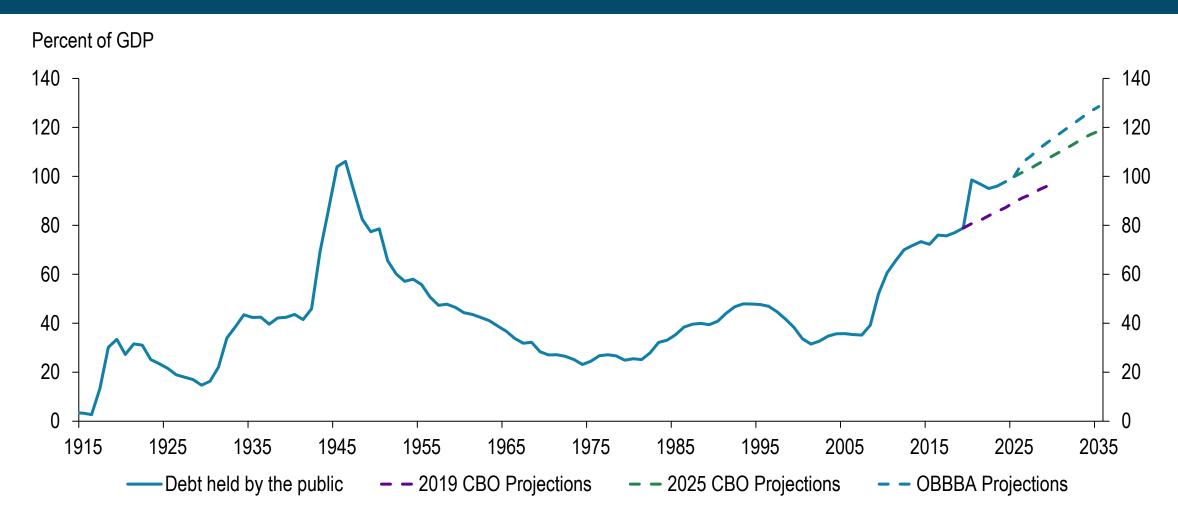


Sources: Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta, Haver Analytics Note: Wage growth is measured as a 12-month moving average.

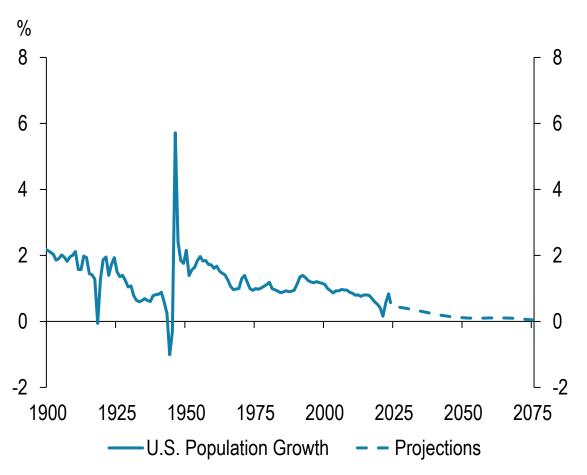
### Policy is likely restrictive, but perhaps only modestly so

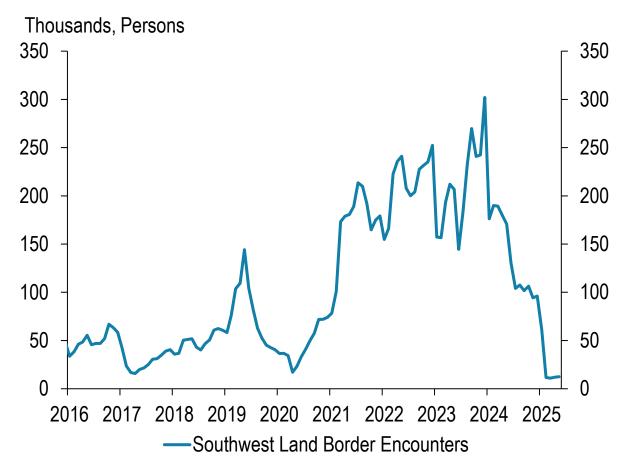


### The supply of government debt continues to grow



## Demographics are likely to depress economic growth and interest rates





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