

U.S. and Regional Economic Conditions Greater Valley Chamber of Commerce, Shelton, CT March 5, 2024

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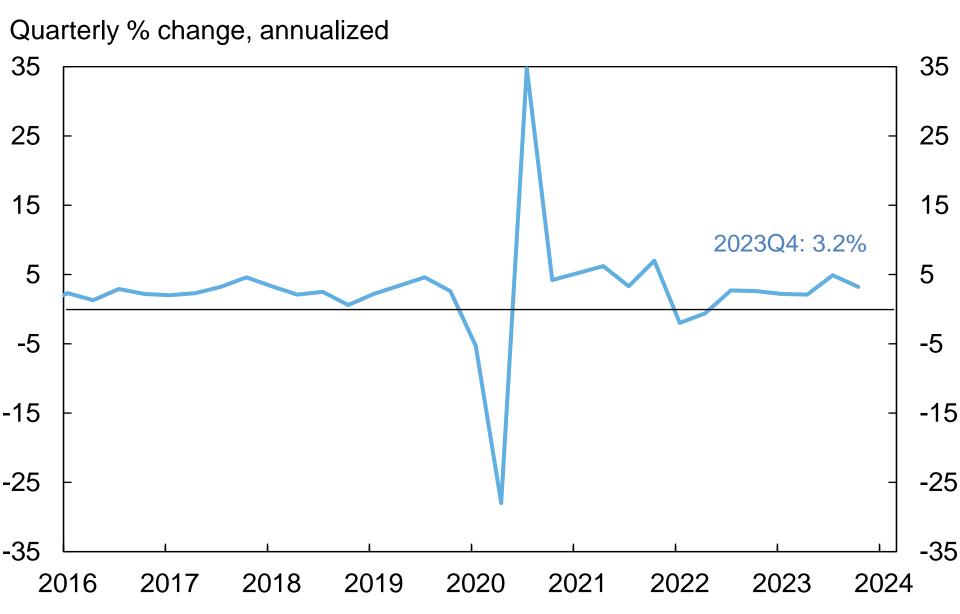
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# Today's Agenda

- 1. National and international economy
- 2. Household Finance
- 3. Regional Economy
- 4. Q&A

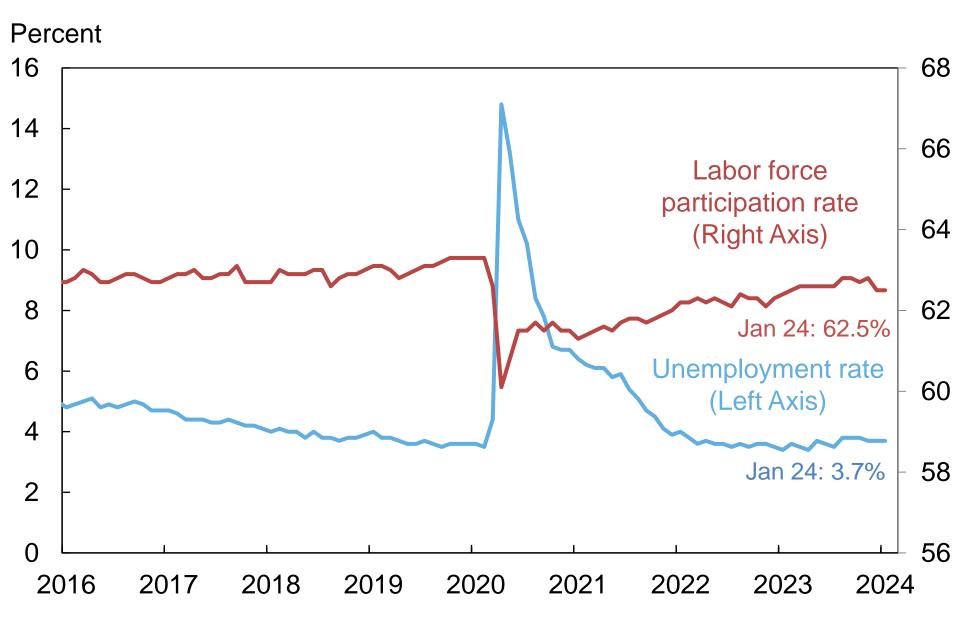
## **National Conditions**

## **GDP Growth**



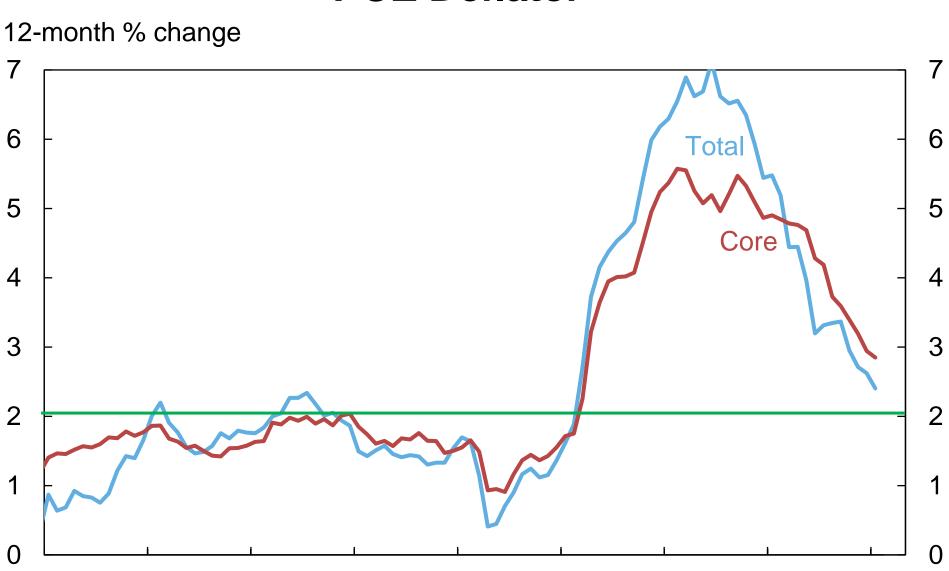
Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis via Haver Analytics

## **Labor Market Indicators**



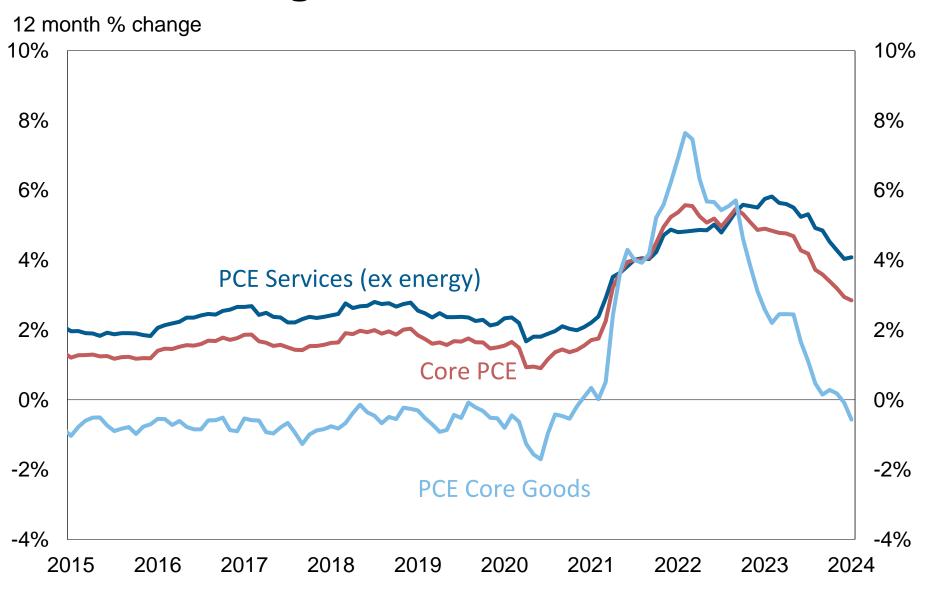
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## **PCE Deflator**



Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis via Haver Analytics

# Core PCE goods and services inflation



Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis via Haver

# **Projections of FOMC Members**

#### December 2023

#### Percent

	Median <sup>1</sup>					Central Tendency <sup>2</sup>				
Variable	2023	2024	2025	2026	Longer run	2023	2024	2025	2026	Longer run
Change in real GDP September projection	2.6 2.1	1.4 1.5	1.8 1.8	1.9 1.8	1.8	2.5-2.7 1.9-2.2	1.2–1.7 1.2–1.8	1.5-2.0 $1.6-2.0$		1.7-2.0
Unemployment rate September projection	3.8 3.8	4.1 4.1	4.1 4.1	$4.1 \\ 4.0$	4.1	$\frac{3.8}{3.7 - 3.9}$	$\begin{array}{c} 4.0 – 4.2 \\ 3.9 – 4.4 \end{array}$	4.0 – 4.2 $3.9 – 4.3$		3.8-4.3
PCE inflation September projection	2.8 3.3	$\frac{2.4}{2.5}$	$\frac{2.1}{2.2}$	$\frac{2.0}{2.0}$	2.0	2.7-2.9 $3.2-3.4$	2.2 – 2.5 $2.3 – 2.7$	2.0-2.2 $2.0-2.3$	$2.0 \\ 2.0-2.2$	2.0
Core PCE inflation <sup>4</sup> September projection	3.2 3.7	$\frac{2.4}{2.6}$	$\frac{2.2}{2.3}$	$\frac{2.0}{2.0}$		3.2 - 3.3 3.6 - 3.9	$\substack{2.4-2.7\\2.5-2.8}$	$\substack{2.0-2.2\\2.0-2.4}$	2.0-2.1 2.0-2.3	 
Memo: Projected appropriate policy path					 					     
Federal funds rate September projection	$5.4 \\ 5.6$	$\frac{4.6}{5.1}$	3.6 3.9	2.9 2.9	2.5 2.5	$5.4 \\ 5.4 - 5.6$	$\substack{4.4 - 4.9 \\ 4.6 - 5.4}$	$3.1 – 3.9 \\ 3.4 – 4.9$	$\substack{2.5-3.1\\2.5-4.1}$	2.5-3.0

Source: Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System

## **Major Economy GDP Growth**

Percent change Q4/Q4

	2021	2022	2023
EA	5.2	1.9	0.1
Japan	1.4	0.7	1.1
UK	9.7	0.6	-0.2
China	4.3	2.9	5.1
Mexico	2	4.6	2.5
Canada	4.4	2.2	NA
Brazil	1.5	3.3	NA
Total	4.5	2.3	NA

Source: Country sources via Haver

Total is GDP-weighted average of listed countries

## **Major Economy CPI Inflation**

Percent change Q4/Q4

	2021	2022	2023
EA	4.6	10	2.7
Japan	0.5	3.9	2.9
UK	4.9	10.8	4.2
China	1.7	1.8	-0.3
Mexico	7	8	4.4
Canada	4.7	6.7	3.2
Brazil	10.5	6.1	4.8
Total	3.3	5.8	NA

Source: Country sources via Haver

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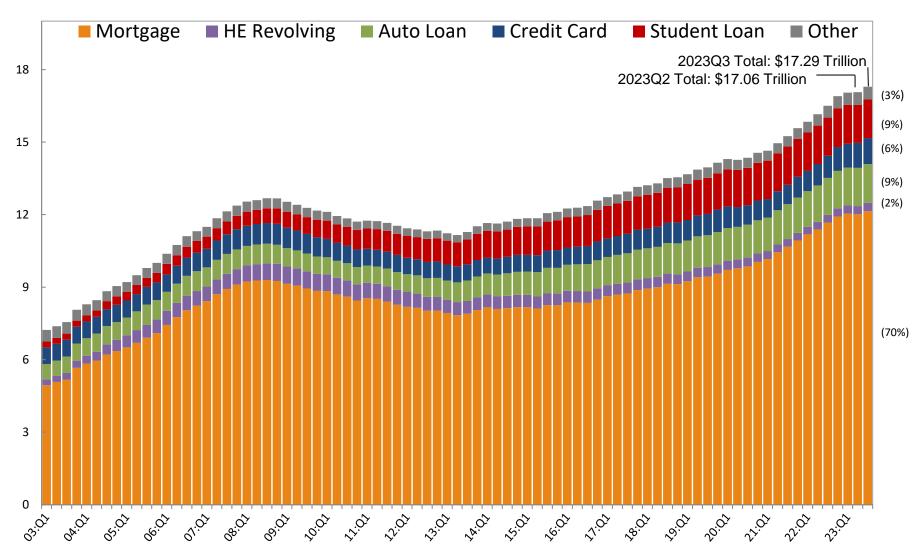
# **National/International Summary**

- Real GDP growth slowing in Q4 and into 2024
- Labor market strong and continues to rebalance
- Inflation returning to mandate-consistent levels
- Major economies similar path, possibly bumpier road

## **Household Financial Conditions**

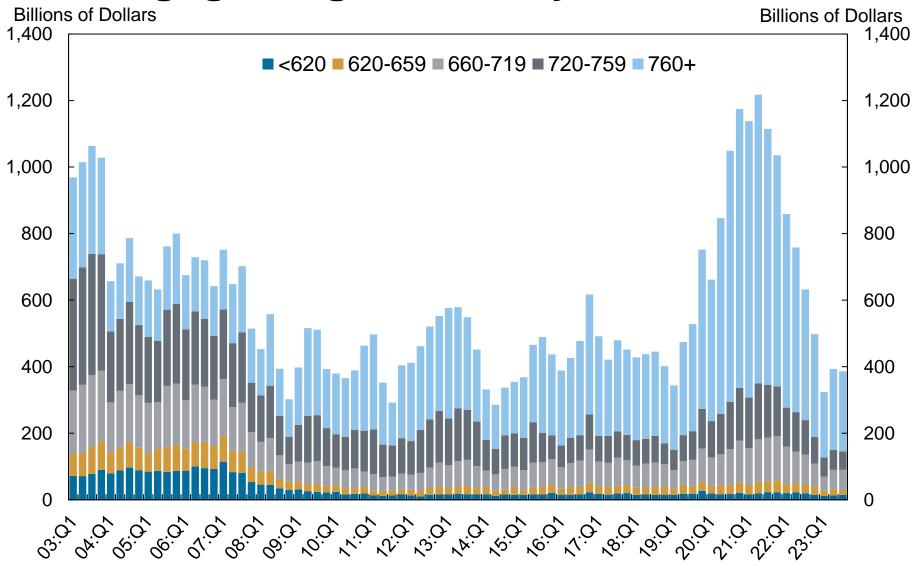
## **Total Debt Balance and its Composition**

**Trillions of Dollars** 



Source: New York Fed Consumer Credit Panel/Equifax

# **Mortgage Originations by Credit Score\***



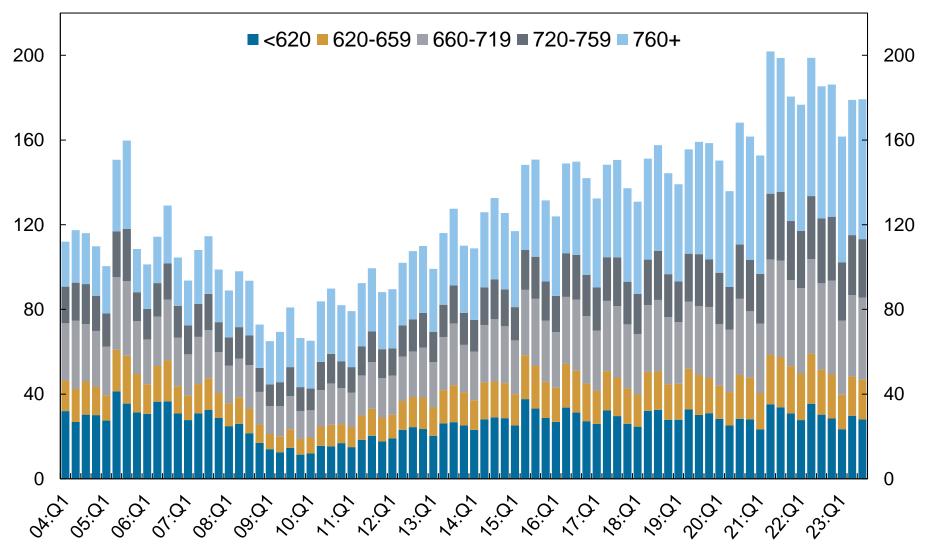
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<sup>\*</sup> Credit Score is Equifax Riskscore 3.0

# Auto Loan Originations by Credit Score\*

Billions of Dollars

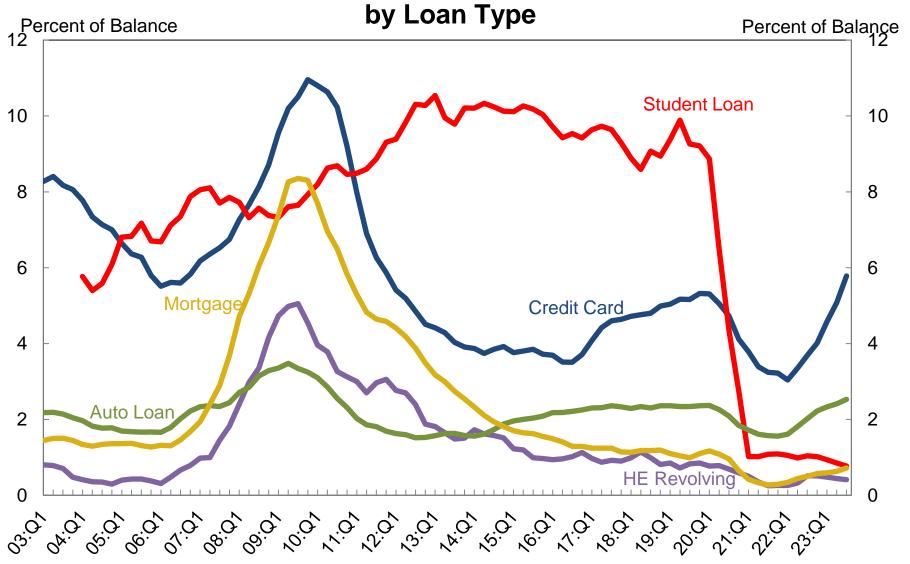
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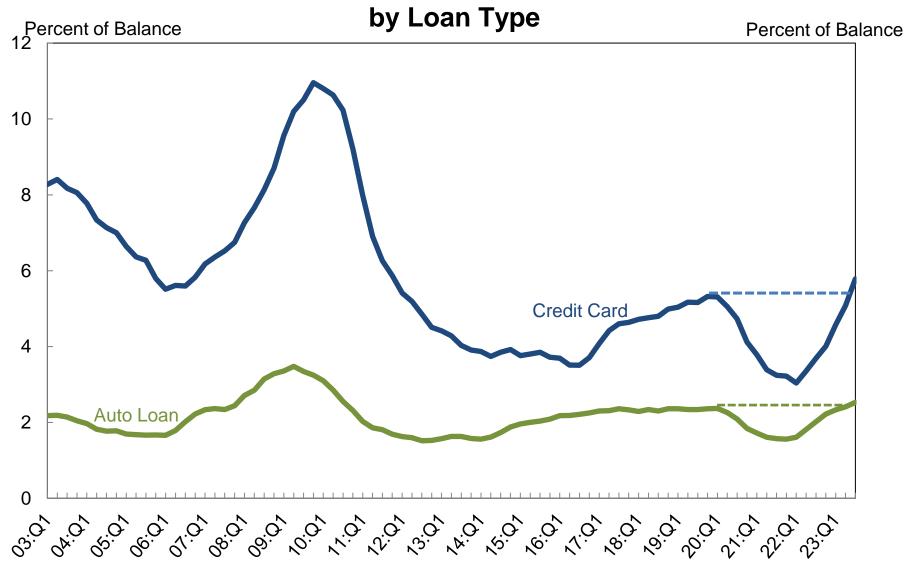
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## Transition into Serious Delinquency (90+)



Note: 4 Quarter Moving Sum

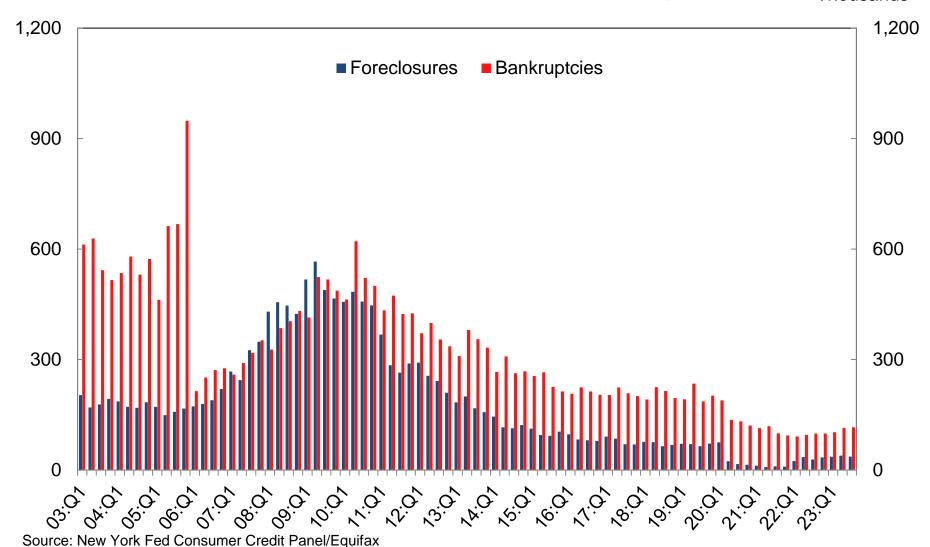
## Transition into Serious Delinquency (90+)



# Number of Consumers with New Foreclosures and Bankruptcies

**Thousands** 

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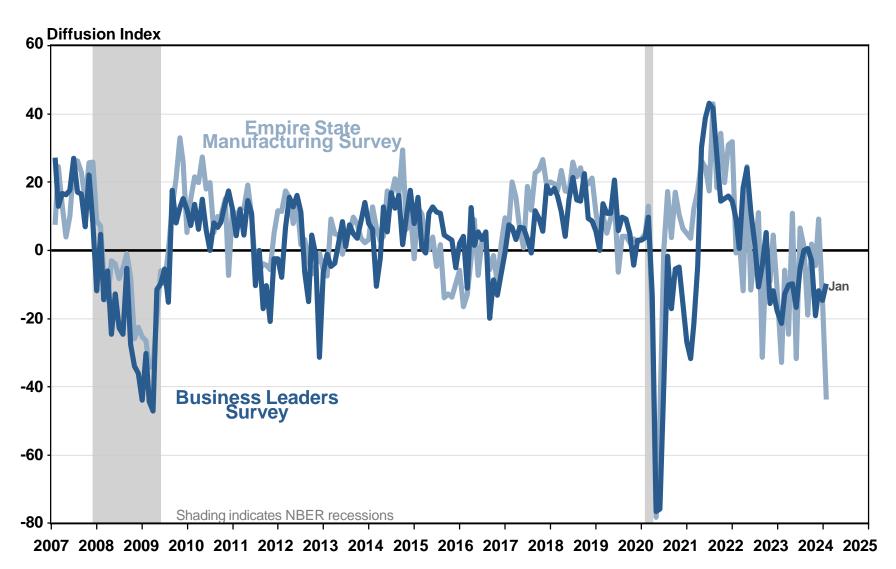
## **Households Summary**

- Borrowing supported household spending 2022-23
- Originations slowing, especially for mortgage
- Delinquency increases signal distress for some households
  - Something to watch

# **Regional Conditions**

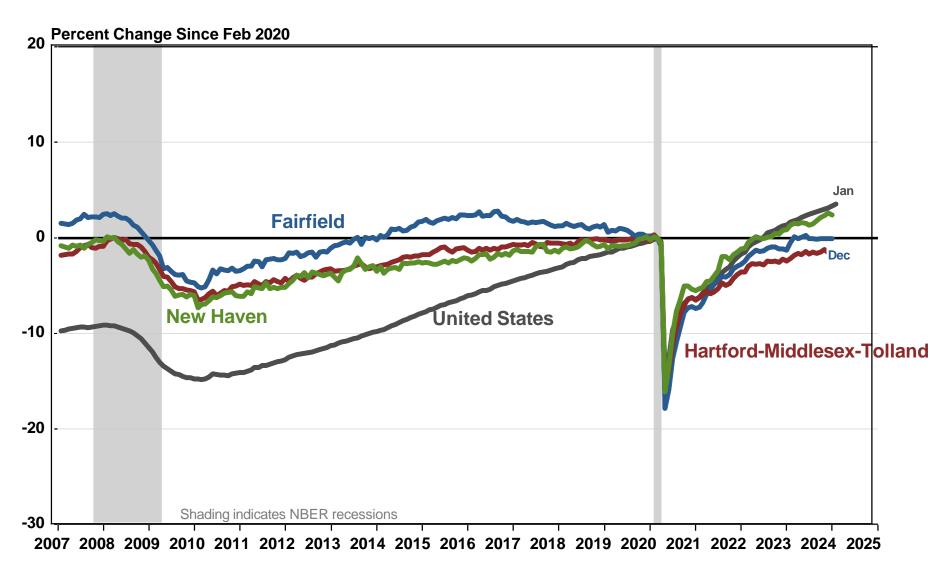
## **Current Economic Conditions**

**FRBNY Business Surveys, Current Conditions** 



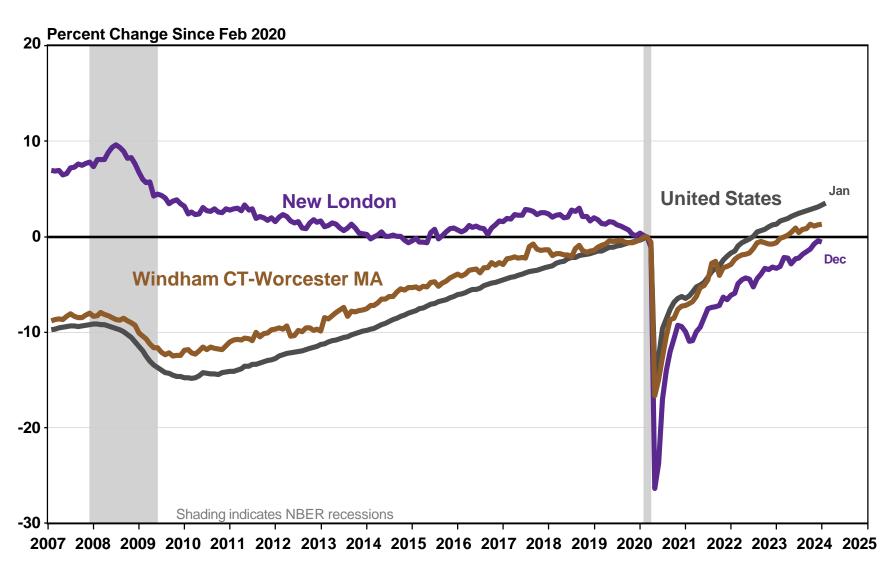
## **Total Employment**

#### **Seasonally Adjusted Index**



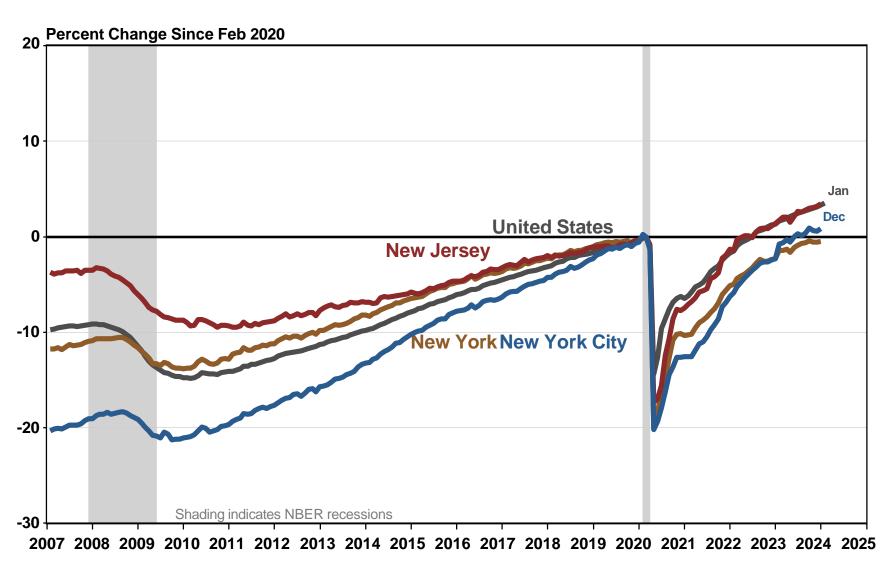
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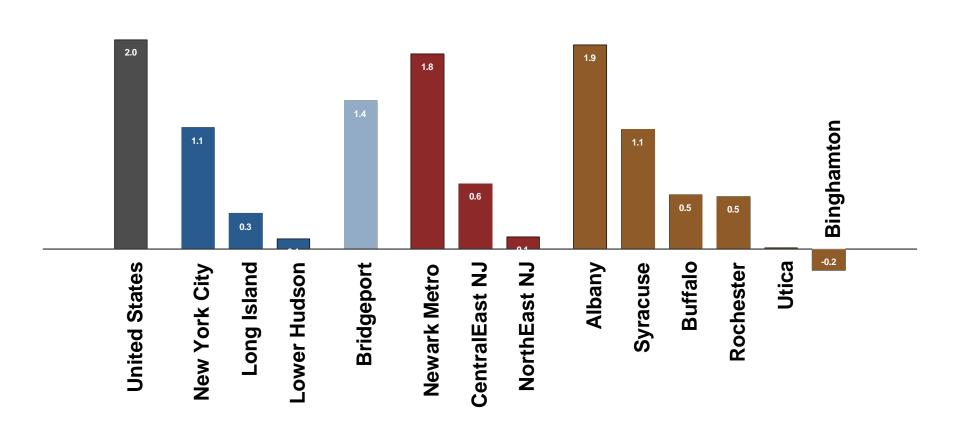
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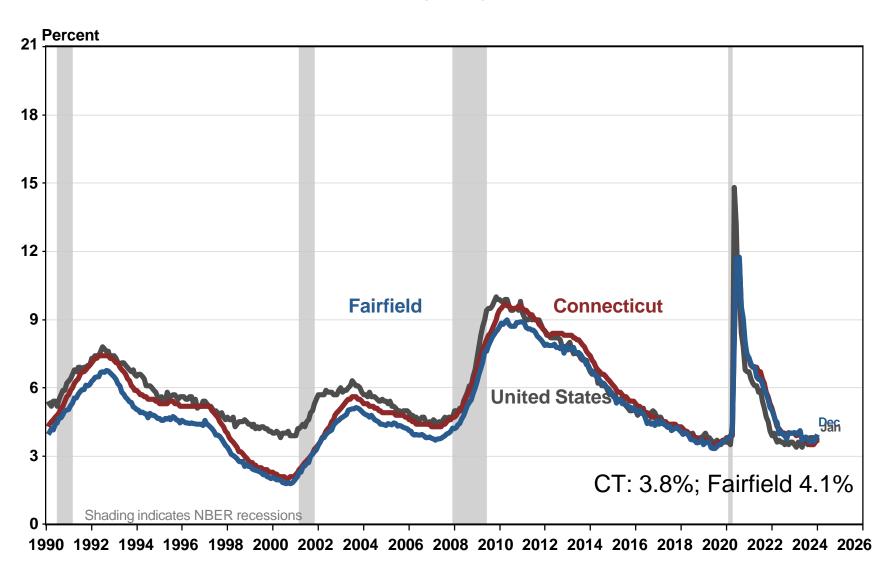
## **Total Employment by Region**

**Year-Over-Year Percent Change, December 2023** 



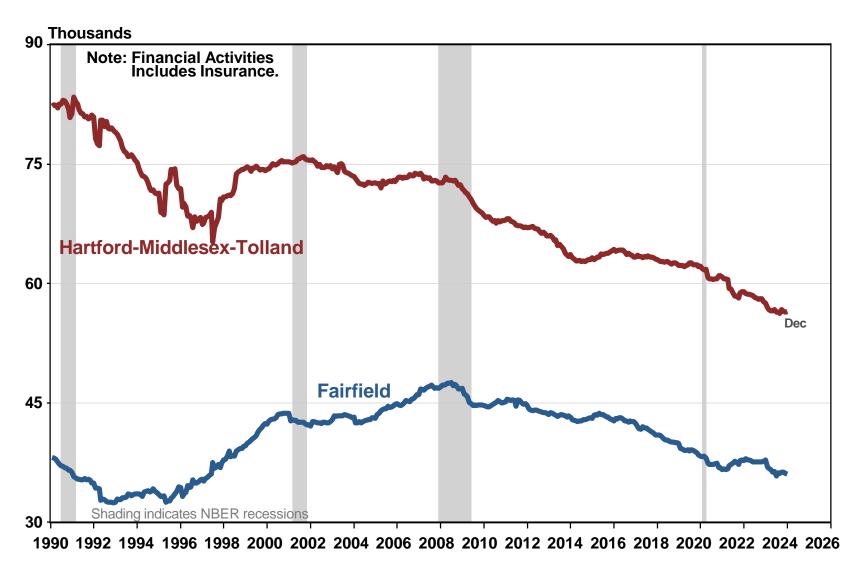
## **Unemployment Rates**

**Seasonally Adjusted** 



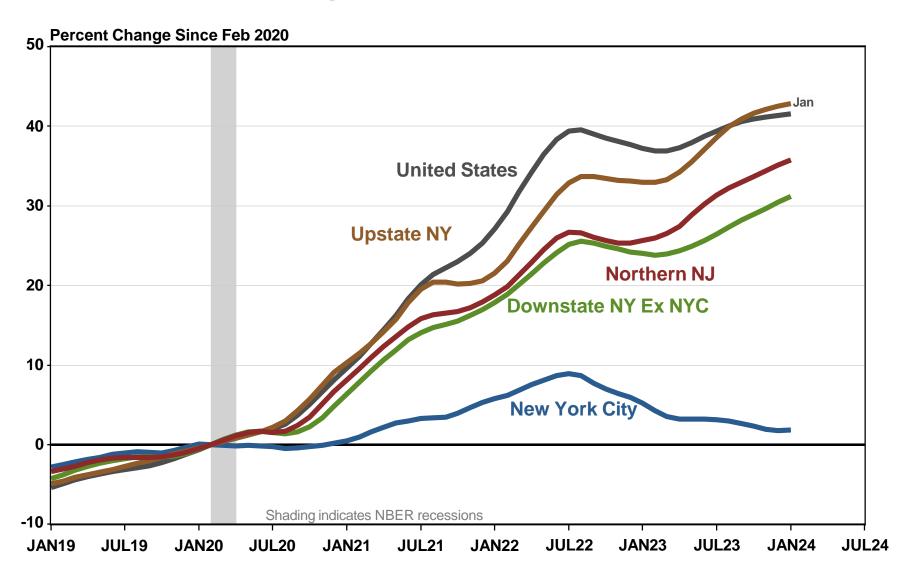
## **Financial Activities Employment**

#### **Seasonally Adjusted**



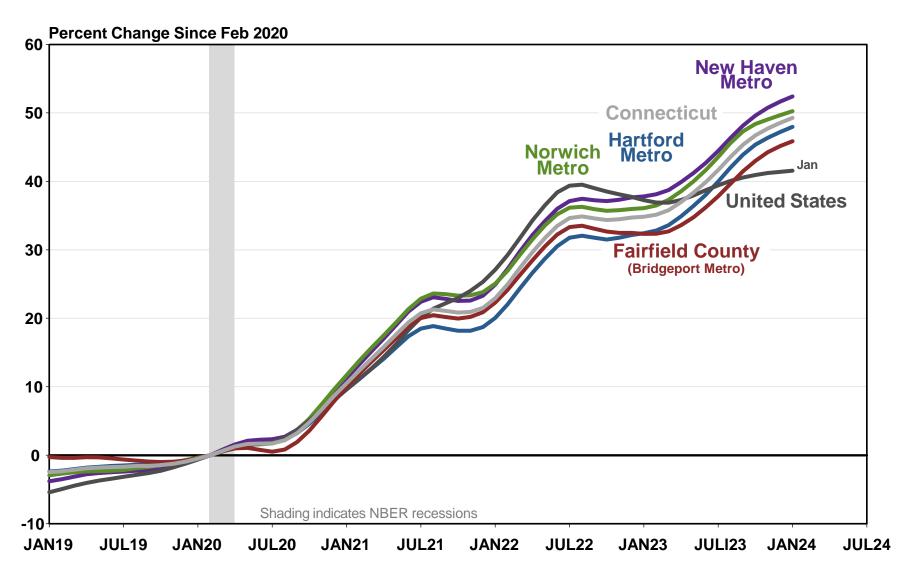
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Percent Change in Home Prices Since Feb 2020



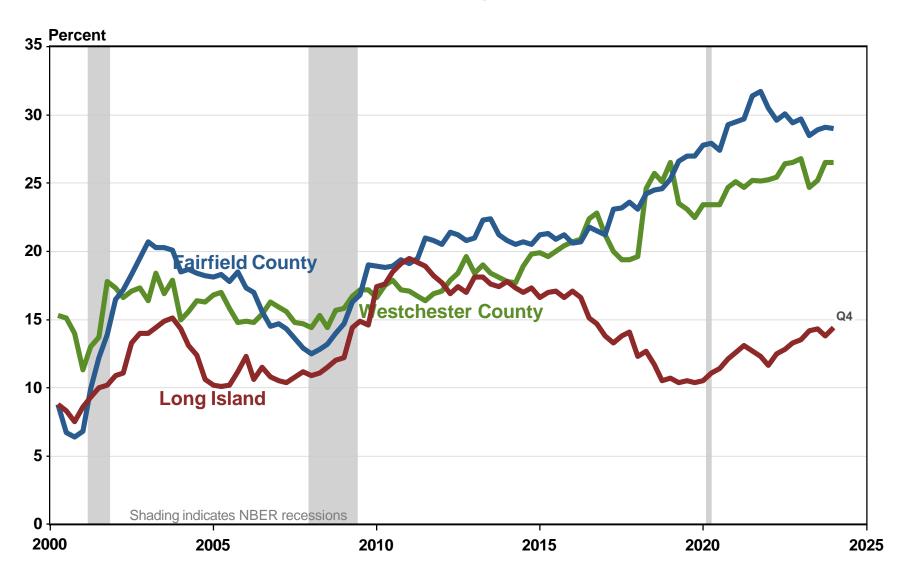
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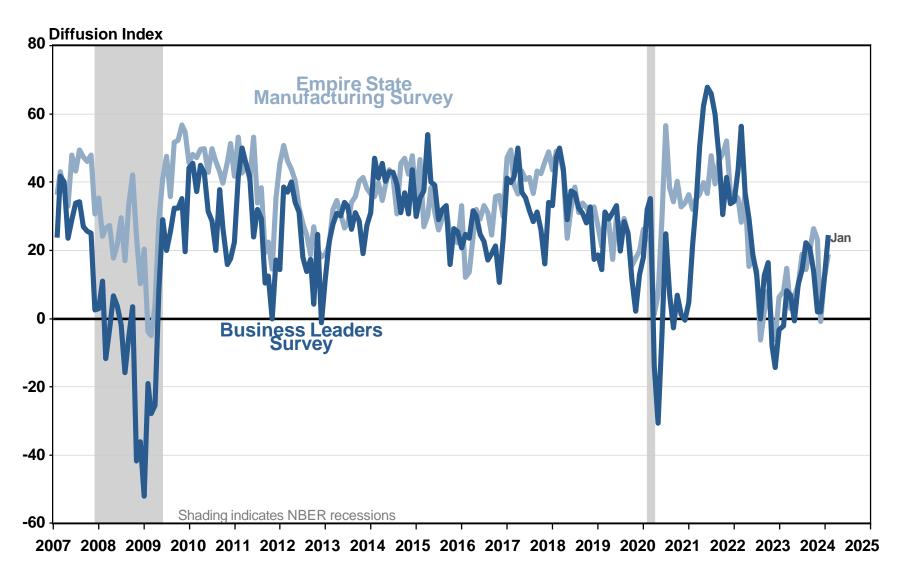
## **Office Vacancy Rates**

#### **Overall Vacancy Rates**



### **Future Economic Conditions**

FRBNY Business Surveys, Conditions Six Months Ahead



## **Regional Summary**

- Region has slowed over last 18 months
- CT recovery has lagged nation; back to pre-pandemic levels in most areas
- Housing prices very strong, office not so much
- Outlook brighter

## Thank you!

## **QUESTIONS?**

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