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The 5 Big Questions for the Economy in 2024

Have We Dodged a Recession?

Will Inflation Continue Downward?

Where Are Interest Rates Headed?

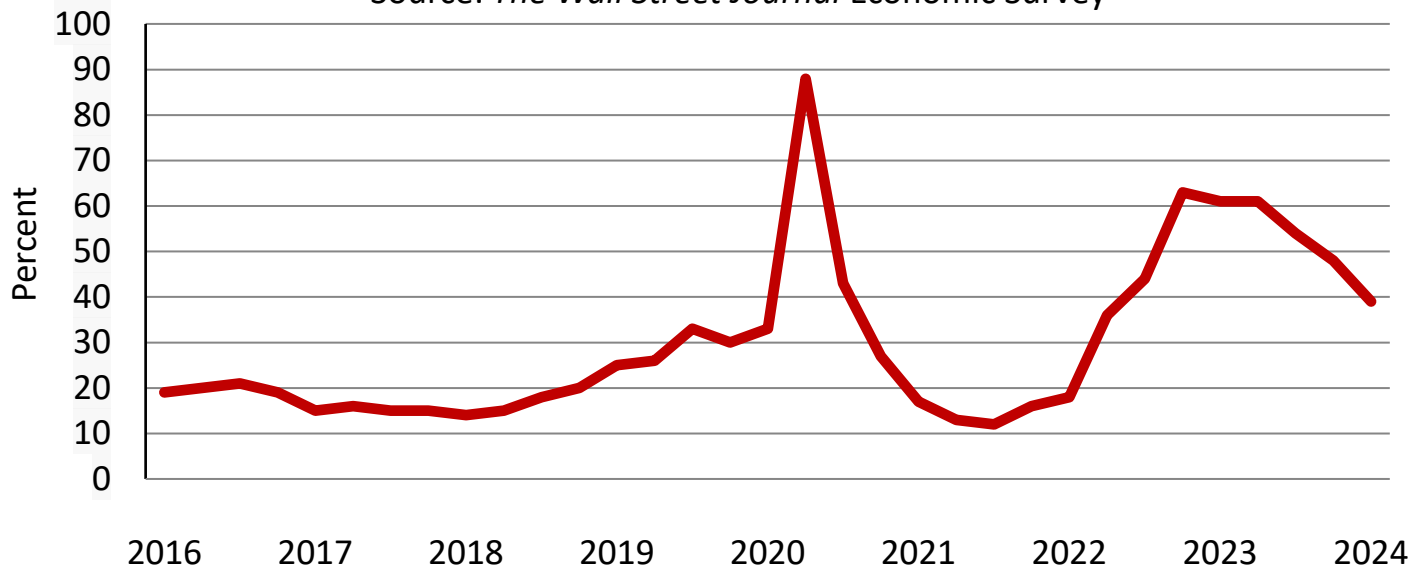
Can the Consumer Stay Strong?

When Will the Financial Strains Ease?

The Risk of a Recession Has Fallen But Has Not Entirely Gone Away

Recession Probability

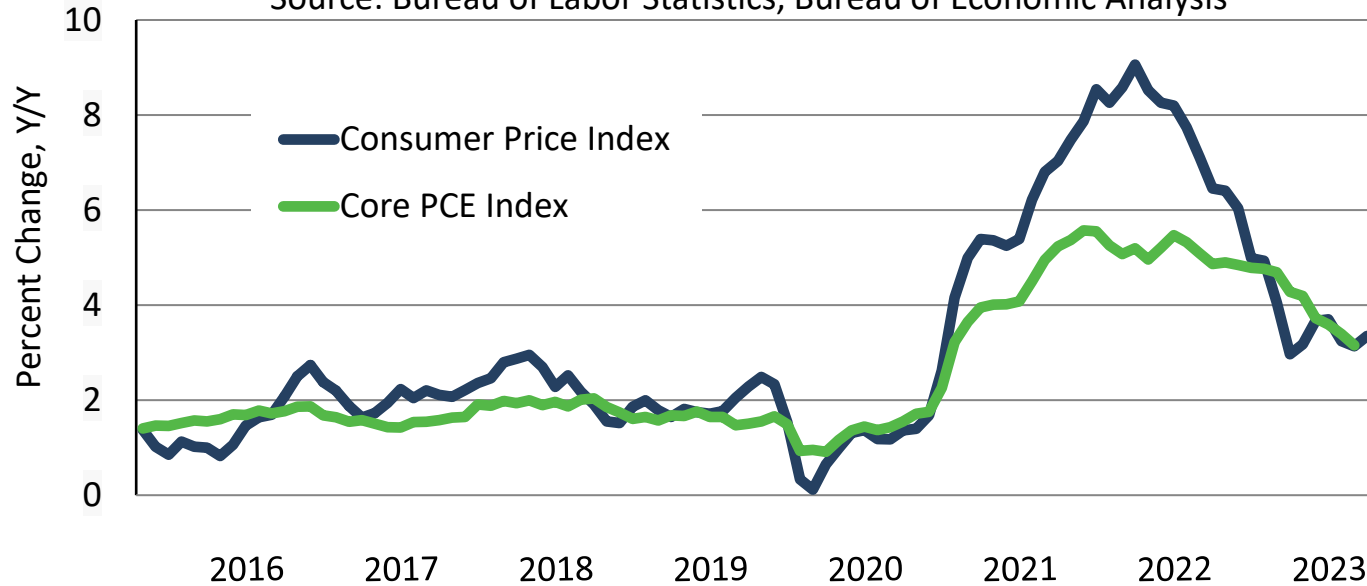
Source: *The Wall Street Journal* Economic Survey



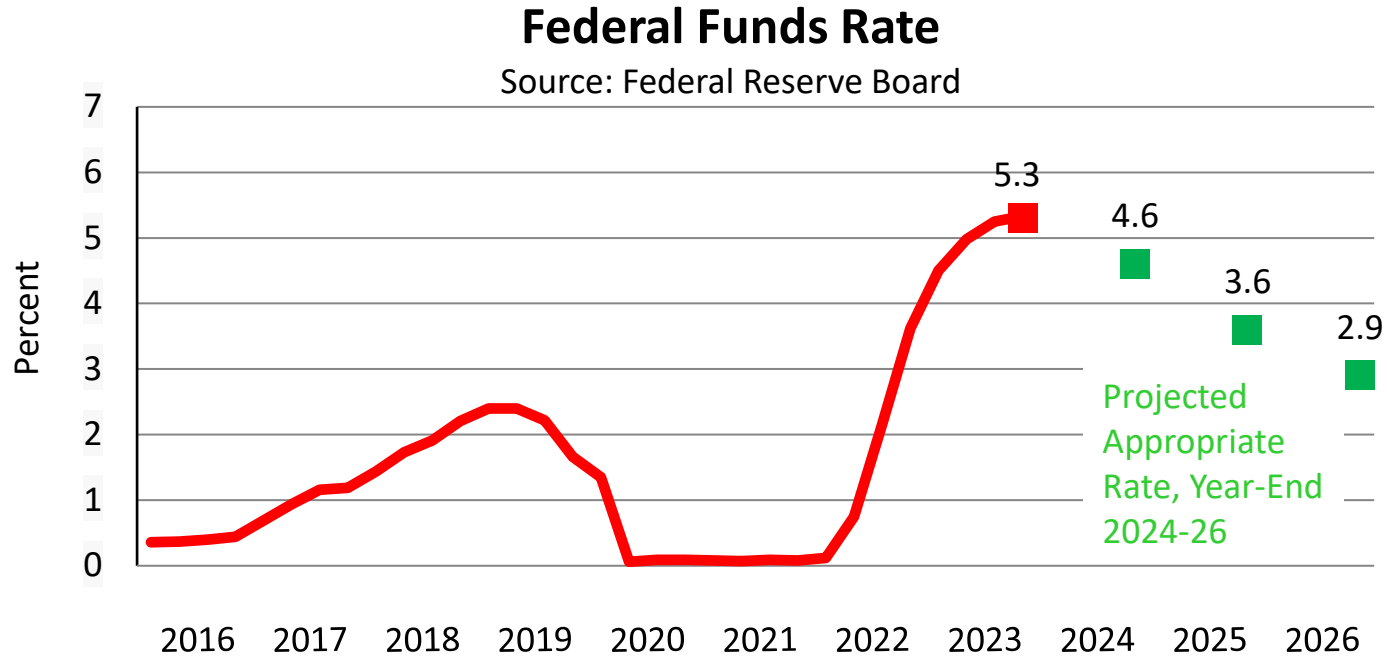
Inflation is Moderating, But is Still Too High for Comfort

Consumer Prices

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, Bureau of Economic Analysis



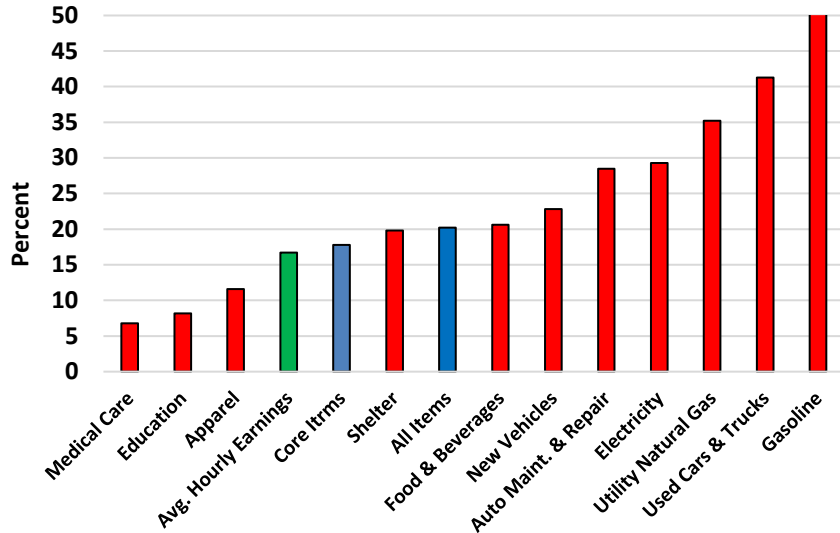
The Fed Expects to Cut Interest Rates



But High Rates, Price Fatigue and Depleted Savings Are Taking a Toll on Consumers

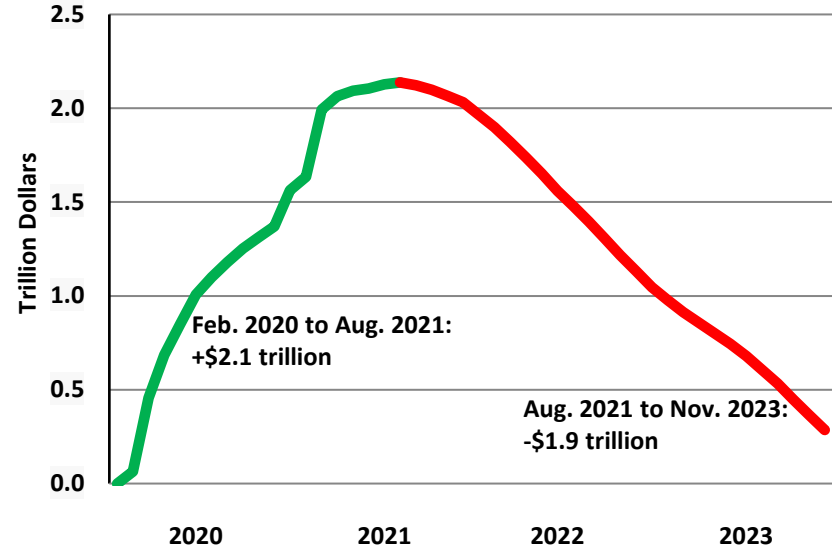
Percent Increase in Consumer Prices, December 2023 vs. June 2020

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics



Cumulative Aggregate Pandemic-Era Excess Savings

Source: Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco



Household Debt Topped \$17 Trillion in the Second Half of 2023

Consumer Debt Balance

Source: New York Fed Consumer Credit Panel/Equifax

