2024 Year in Review & 2025 Outlook

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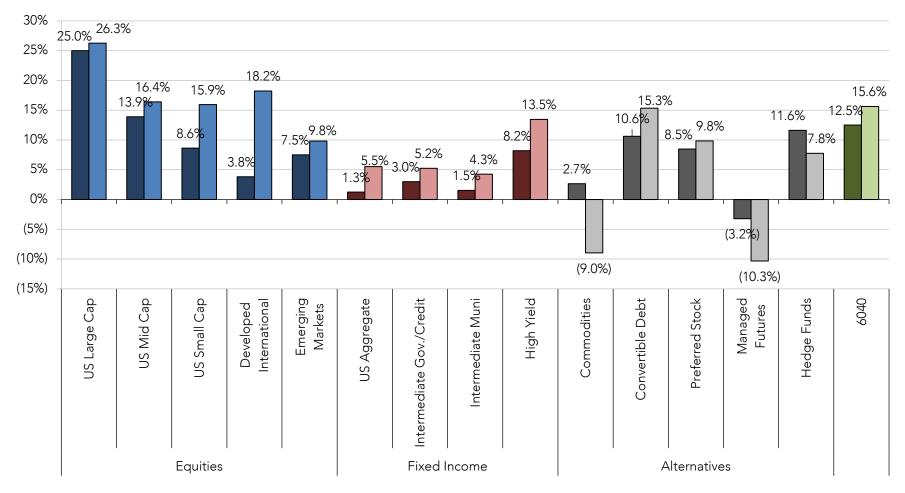
INVESTMENT & ECONOMIC THEMES

- 2024 Outcomes and Surprises
- 2025 Outlook
 - GDP Growth
 - Inflation
 - Labor Market
 - Monetary Policy
 - Earnings
- Longer-term Outlook
- Risks
- Q&A



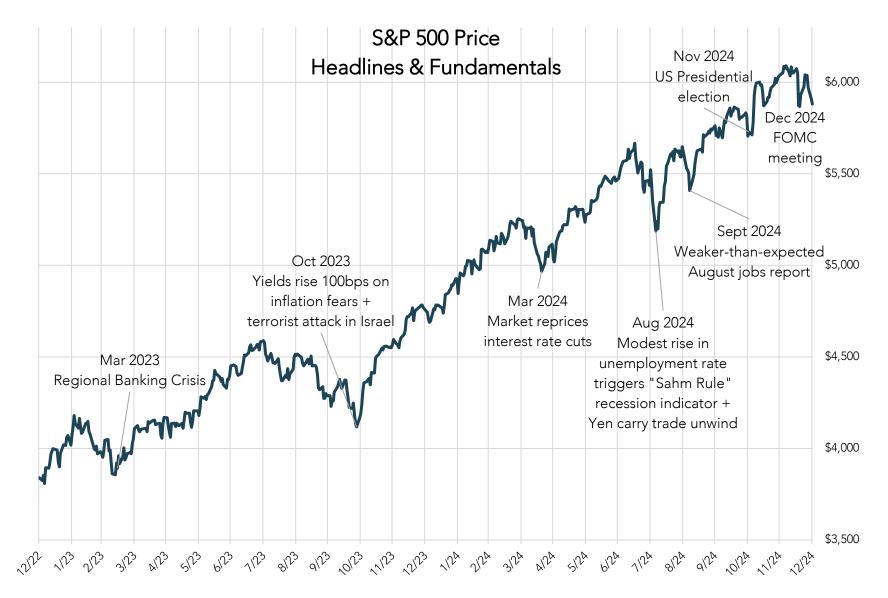
2024 MARKET RETURNS ANOTHER STRONG YEAR FOR STOCKS

Asset Class Performance (2024-Dark; 2023-Light)



S&P 500 - 2023 & 2024 TWO STRONG YEARS FOR DISCIPLINED INVESTORS

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Growth

ASSET CLASS FRAMEWORK

 Higher Growth, Lower Inflation Equities High Yield Bonds Government Bonds 	 Higher Growth, Higher Inflation Equities Commodities Bank Loans 					
 Lower Growth, Lower Inflation Government Bonds High Quality Corporates Cash 	 Lower Growth, Higher Inflation Commodities TIPS Energy-sector Equities 					
Inflation						



EXPECTATIONS ENTERING 2024 AS OF 12/31/2023

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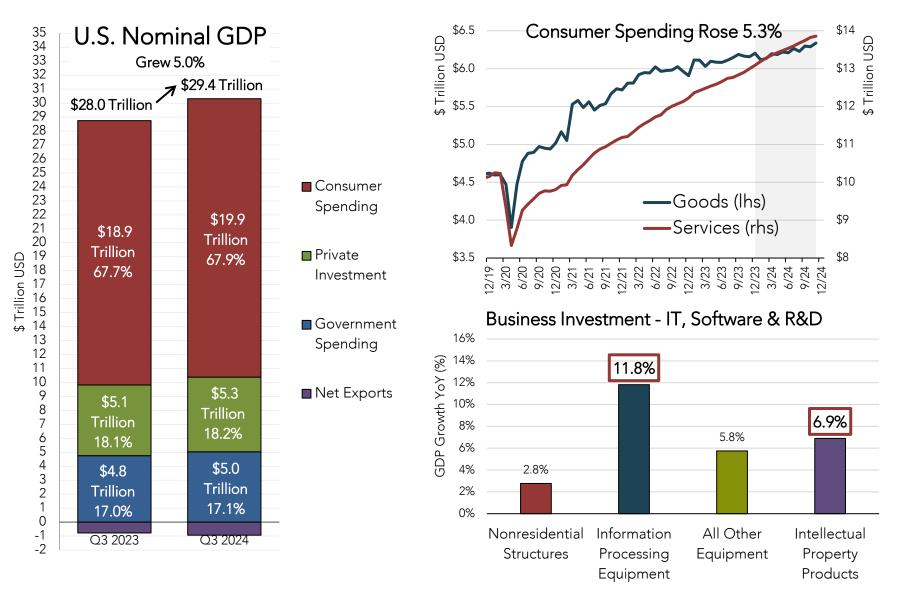
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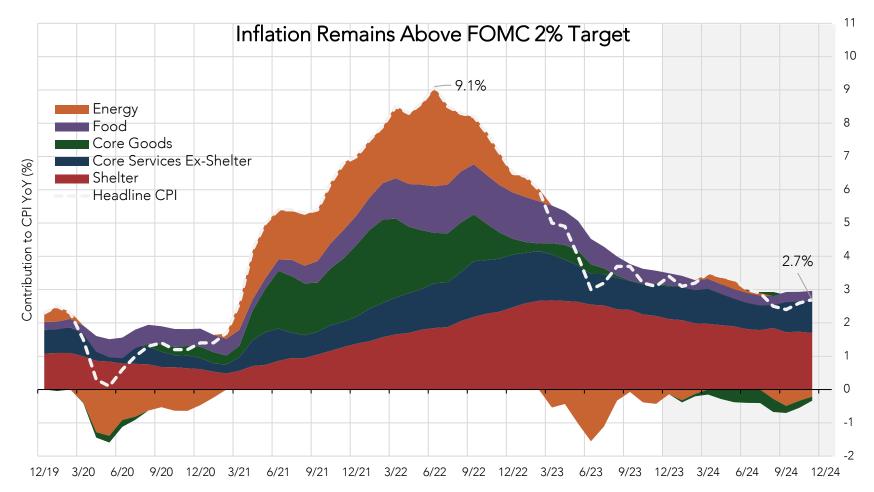
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GDP GROWTH STRONG CONSUMER SPENDING & BUSINESS INVESTMENT

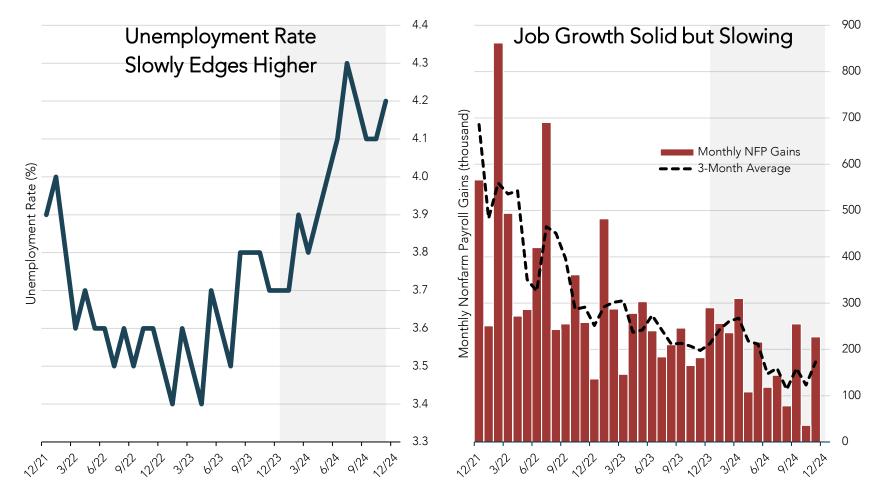


INFLATION STICKIER THAN EXPECTED



- Shelter inflation remained elevated in 2024, up 4.7%.
- Energy and core goods experienced disinflation in 2024.
- Motor vehicle insurance continued its recent rise, up 12.7%.

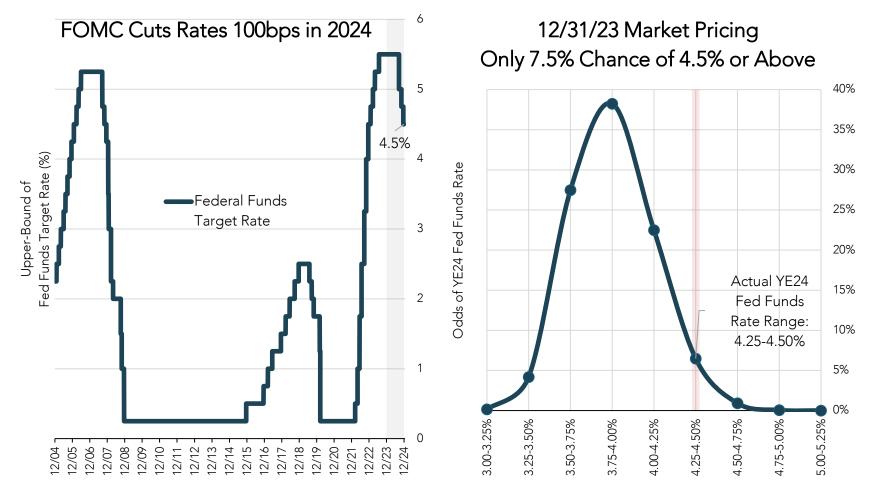
JOB GAINS COOLING BUT NOT COLD



- The labor market is no longer overheated as it was in 2022 and parts of 2023.
- Job gains slowed and the unemployment rate rose in 2024, but both remained at comfortable levels by the end of the year (4.2% unemployment, 173k 3-month average of job gains).

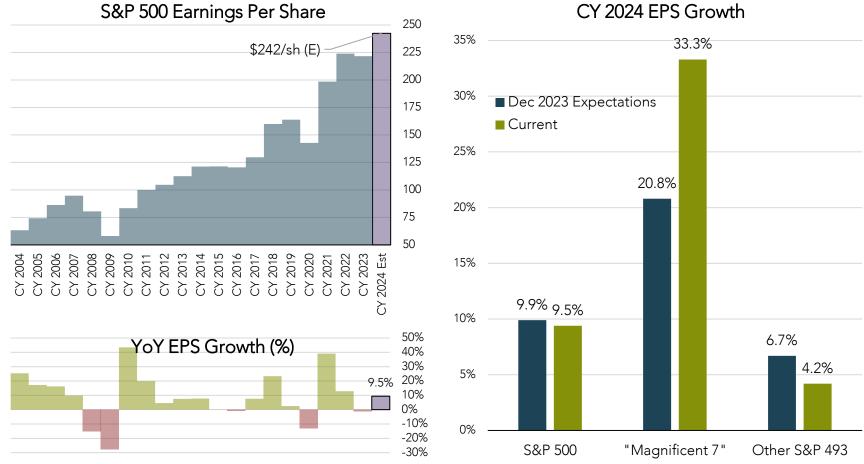


MONETARY POLICY EASING INTO EASING



- Stickier inflation and a stable labor market led to the Fed keeping rates higher than expected in 2024.
- The Fed ultimately cut rates 100bps, compared with expectations for 150bps or more, delivering a hawkish surprise that led the bond market to underperform cash in 2024.

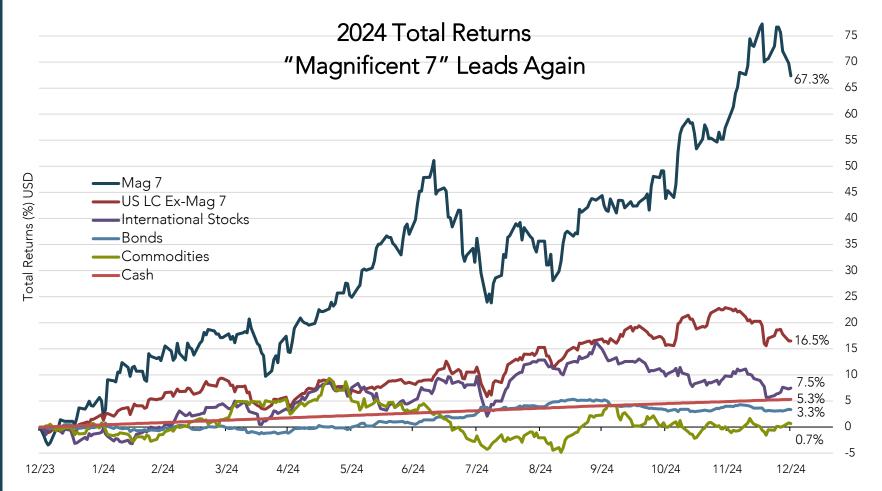




- The positive macro backdrop led to a strong year of earnings growth for S&P 500 companies, 9.5%, roughly matching expectations from the beginning of the year.
- Within large cap equities, the "Magnificent 7" companies exceeded initial expectations while the rest of the S&P 500 missed.

PERFORMANCE FASTER GROWTH, HIGHER INFLATION FRAMEWORK

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 Returns matched expectations for a faster-growth, higher-inflation, higher-rate environment. Stocks performed well, particularly the Mag 7. Bonds underperformed cash. Commodities, however, lagged as oil prices were flat at \$73/barrel to start and end 2024.

THE LESSONS OF 2024

- Learning from history is essential:
 - Vote with your ballot, not with your portfolio.
 - Consistent discipline yields rewards.
- Exercise caution with models relying solely on history:
 - Yield curve inverted mid-2022
 - Conference Board Leading Economic Indicators
 - Sahm Rule triggered July 2024
 - Allan Lichtman "13 Keys to the White House"
- Surprises can bring both challenges and opportunities.
- Long-term investment strategies ("time in the market") outperform attempts at market timing.



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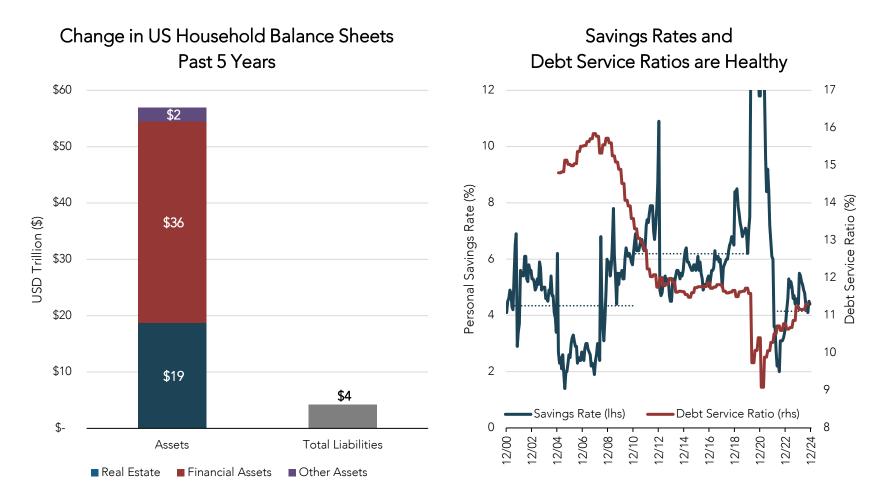


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GDP GROWTH OUTLOOK US CONSUMERS LOOK SOLID

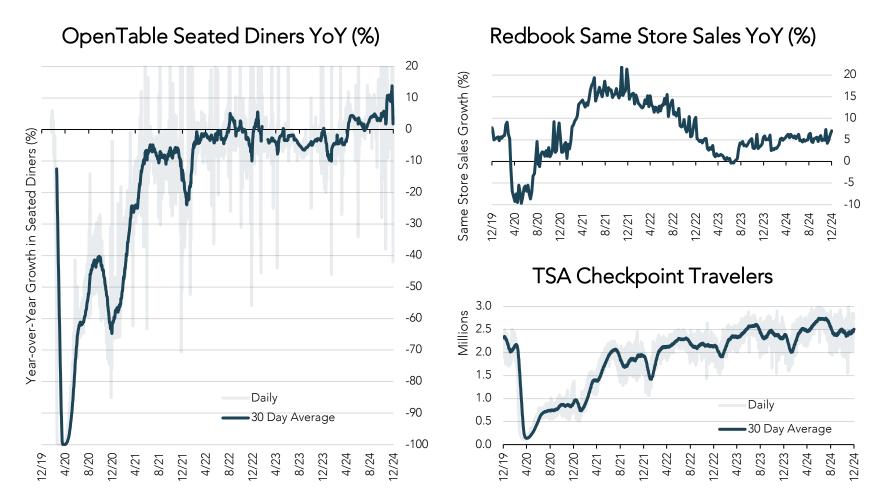
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- The US economy may be benefitting from a 'wealth effect' as household assets have grown 46% over the past 5 years and liabilities have grown only 27%, a \$50T impact.
- Savings rates appear sustainable above 4% while household debt service payments remain below pre-covid levels.

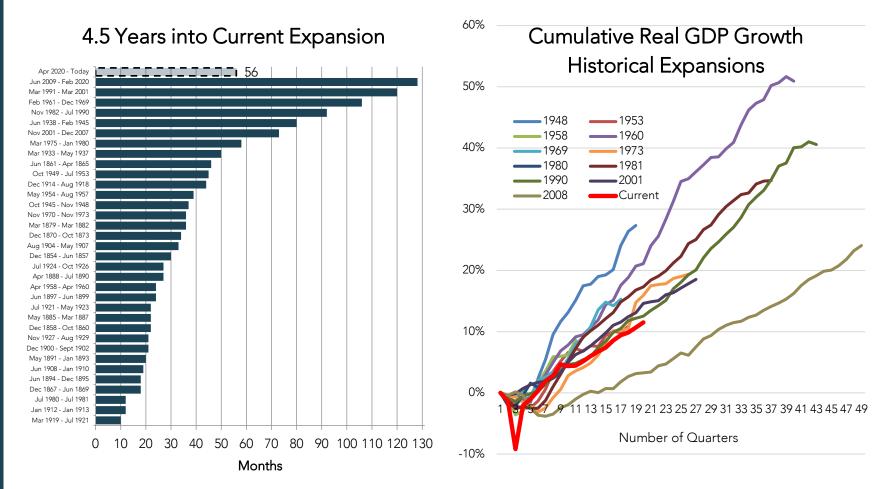
GDP GROWTH OUTLOOK DINING, SHOPPING, TRAVELING

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• Higher-frequency data shows US consumers shopping, dining, and traveling with no obvious signs of a slowdown.

GDP GROWTH OUTLOOK



- We are a little more than four and a half years into the current expansion.
- 12-month recession forecasts for the year ahead have fallen to 20%.
- We believe recession odds are low and would require an unforeseeable negative shock.



AUDIENCE OUTLOOK NEXT US RECESSION TIMING





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2025 President	Year	09-10	11-12	13-14	15-16	17-18	19-20	21-22	23-24	25-26
	President									
<u>2025 Senate</u> <u>2025 House</u> 53-47 220-215	Senate (50+)	58	53	54	54	52	53	50	51	53
	House (218)	257	242	234	247	241	235	222	222	220

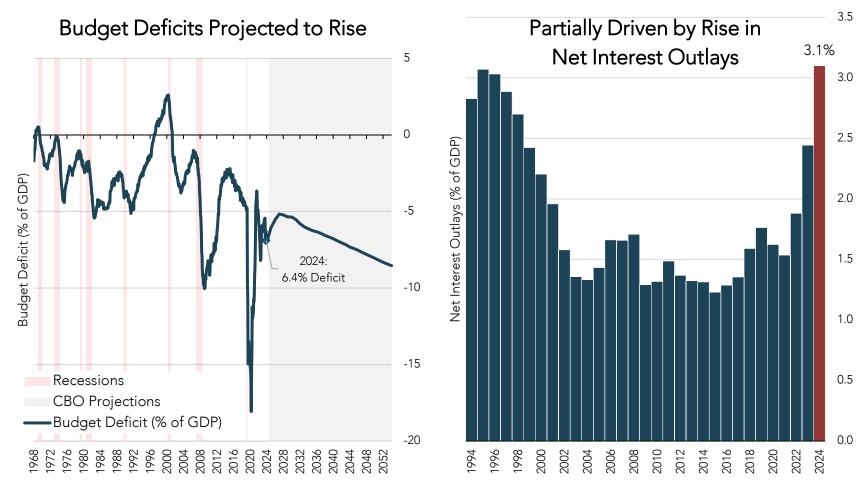
- Republican candidate Donald Trump won the 2024 presidential election.
- The Republican party gained control of the Senate and retained control of the House of Representatives.
- A unified government will make it easier to implement tax policies and other initiatives proposed by President Trump on the campaign trail.
- A unified government can also mitigate risks associated with gridlock, such as debt ceiling impasses or government shutdowns.



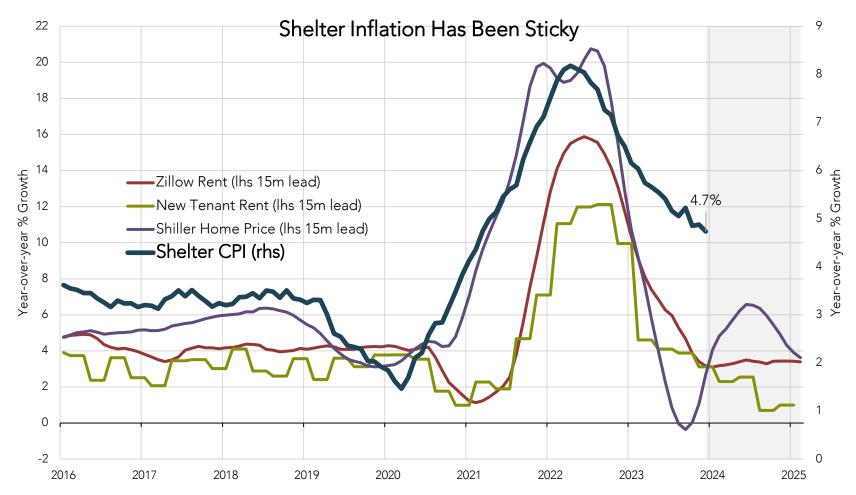
	Tariffs	Taxes	Energy	Department of Government Efficiency
Campaign Proposals	 Campaign: 60% tariff on Chinese goods Campaign: 20% tariff on all other goods Post-election: 25% tariff on Mexican imports Post-election: 25% tariff on Canadian imports Post-election: 10% additional tariff on China 	 Extend expiring TCJA provisions Reduce corporate rate to 20% (15% domestic) Eliminate \$10k SALT deduction cap 	 Streamline drilling permit approvals Focus on increasing domestic production 	 Financial and performance audit of the Federal government Recommendations for reforms Statements of cutting \$2T in spending Discussion of federal workforce reductions Desire to cut 10 regulations for every new one
Net Revenue Estimates	\$3.8T over 10 years	(\$6.8T) over 10 years	N/A	N/A
	Potentially temporarily inflationary	Potentially inflationary	Potentially disinflationary	Potentially disinflationary

- The 2017 TCJA has many provisions expiring January 1, 2026.
- We expect tax cuts to occur beginning 2026 and have a potentially stimulative and inflationary impact thereafter.
- We expect tariffs to be implemented in 2025 along with deregulatory actions.
- We do not expect significant macroeconomic impacts until 2026 or later.

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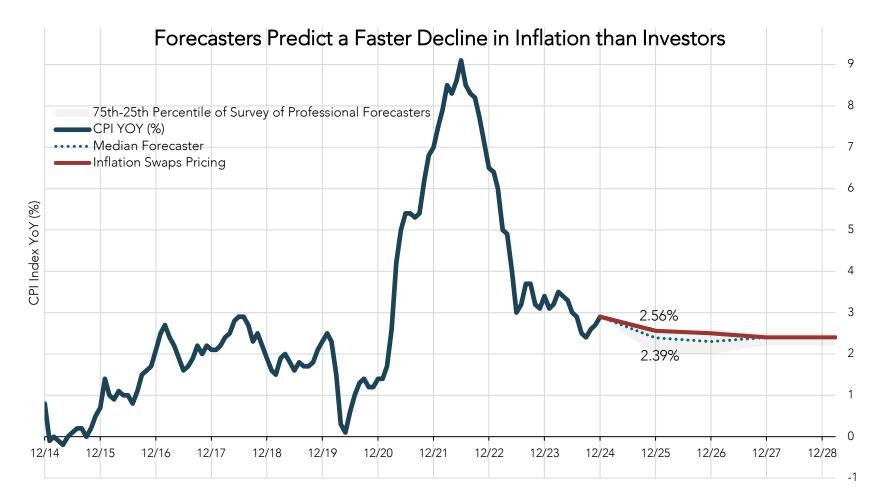
- The federal budget deficit rose to 6.4% of GDP in 2024, roughly \$1.8T.
- One deficit driver was a significant rise in net interest outlays (up 33% year-over-year) to 3.1% of GDP, more than was spent on the Department of Defense.



- Shelter makes up 35% of the CPI basket and increased 4.7% over the last 12 months.
- Shelter inflation is calculated with a lag and has been stickier-than-expected in 2024.
- Home prices are up around 4% in 2024 and market rents are up around 3.5%.

INFLATION OUTLOOK FORECASTS & MARKET PRICING

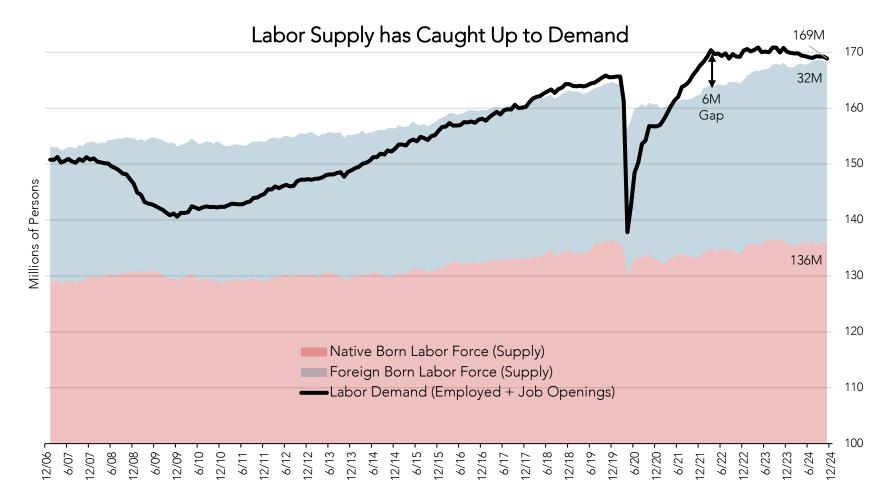
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- Forecasters and investors both anticipate inflation falling in 2025 and returning to near the Federal Reserve's 2% target over the next 5 years.
- The range of forecasts has narrowed, signaling less uncertainty among economists.

LABOR MARKET OUTLOOK

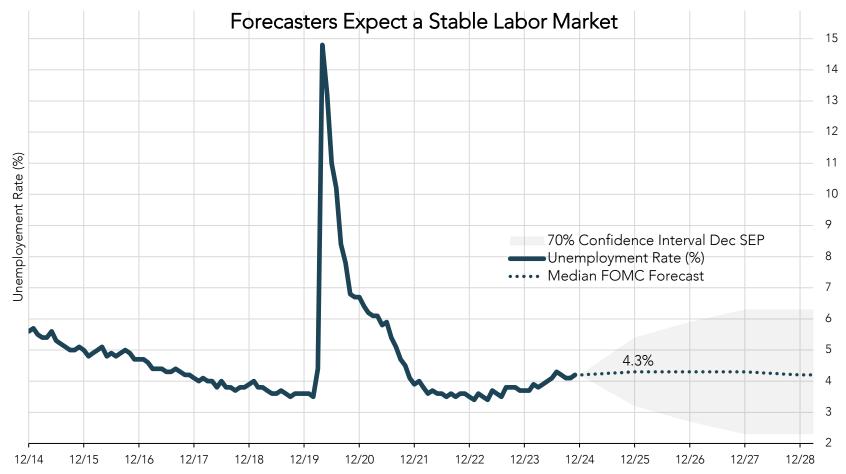
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- The labor market has cooled from its overheated pace in 2022 and 2023 and is currently roughly as strong as the pre-covid period.
- Any acceleration in the pace of cooling may induce a reaction from the Federal Reserve.



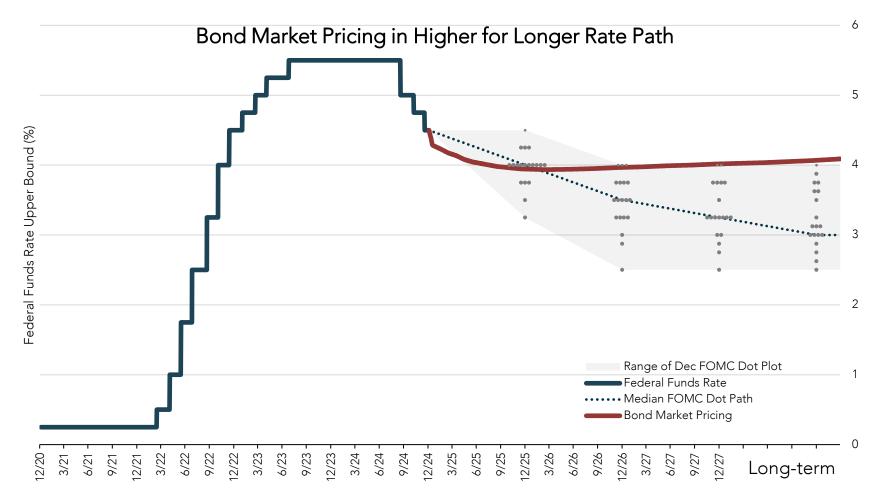
LABOR MARKET OUTLOOK



- Forecasters at the Federal Reserve expect a stable labor market in 2025, with job growth sufficient to keep the unemployment rate near its current 4.2% level.
- Private forecasters agree, with a median rate of 4.3% and average hourly earnings growth of 3.5% anticipated in 2025.

MONETARY POLICY OUTLOOK FORECASTS & MARKET PRICING

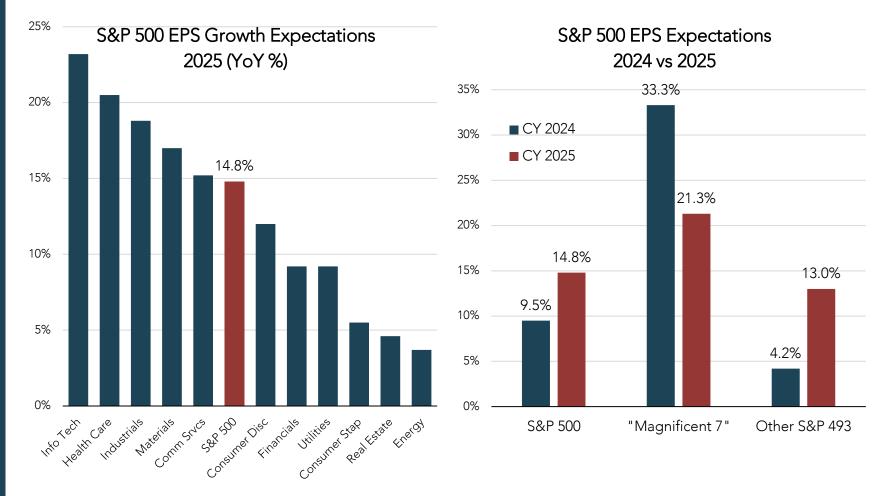
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- Since the first rate cut in September, the Fed delivered 100bps of rate cuts, yet the 10-year treasury rate *increased* 85bps.
- The market is pricing in a higher-for-longer rate path where policy rates stay around 4% or higher for the next decade.

CORPORATE EARNINGS OUTLOOK FORECASTS OF S&P 500 EARNINGS

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- Earnings growth is expected to broaden out beyond the "Magnificent 7" in 2025.
- Overall earnings per share are expected to grow 14.8%.
- 2025's higher expectations create a higher hurdle to clear for positive surprises in 2025.



2025 OUTLOOK AS OF 12/31/2024

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PORTFOLIO POSITIONING AS OF 12/31/2024

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Investment Strategy Summary								
Asset Class	Underweight	Neutral	Overweight					
Global Equities	4							
US Equities	4							
Large Cap	4							
Mid Cap	4							
Small Cap	+	······						
Developed International	4							
Emerging Markets	•							
Fixed Income	4							
Duration	4							
Credit Quality	4							
Non-Core	4							
Alternatives	4							

- The positive macroeconomic environment creates opportunities in risk assets like equities and credit.
- Global economic policy uncertainty creates risks to regional equity positioning.
- Higher starting yields provide attractive risk-reward opportunities in bonds and ratesensitive alternatives.

LONGER-TERM OUTLOOK 10 YEAR CAPITAL MARKET ASSUMPTIONS



	Historical Returns	10 Year	10 Year
Asset Class	Public (94-24)	Expected Return	Expected Risk
	Private (14-24)	(Dec 2024)	(Annualized vol.)
US Large Cap	10.60%	7.00%	17.00%
US Mid Cap	11.23%	8.00%	19.00%
US Small Cap	10.15%	7.75%	21.00%
Developed International Equities	5.65%	7.75%	18.00%
Emerging International Equities	4.76%	8.25%	22.00%
Core Fixed Income	4.09%	4.75%	5.50%
Non-Core Fixed Income	7.04%	6.50%	11.00%
Diversified Alternatives	7.18%	6.75%	8.00%
Cash	2.46%	4.20%	0.50%
Inflation	2.53%	2.50%	1.50%
60/40 Public Portfolio		6.25%	11.00%



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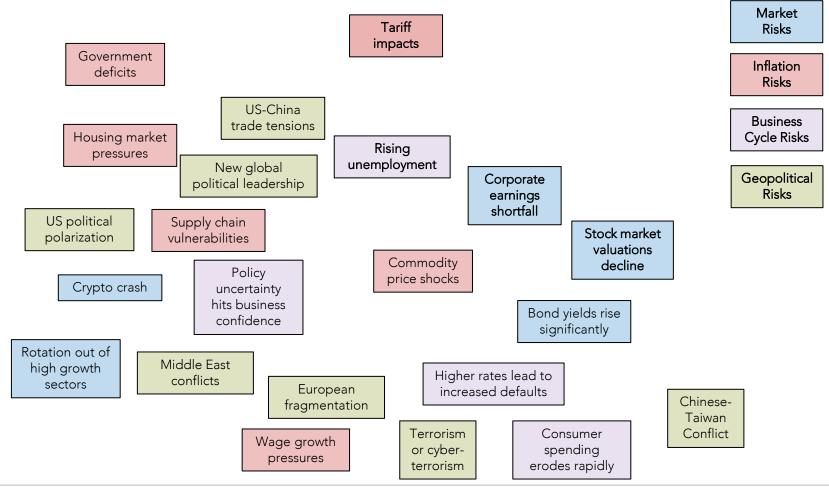
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RISKS

Investment Risks in 2025

Legend:



Severity of Risk

Probability of Risk



CONCLUSION

- Stock markets experienced robust performance in 2024, driven by unexpected positive growth developments.
- As we head into 2025, the economic foundation remains strong:
 - Recession risks appear low.
 - The labor market and consumer are solid.
- Elevated growth expectations set a higher bar for positive surprises this year.
- Global economic policy uncertainty creates risks and opportunities in investment markets.
- The long-term outlook for market returns is favorable.



Q&A - THANK YOU!

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Slide 25 – "Inflation Outlook";

Source: House of Representatives Office of the Historian

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Slide 28 - "Inflation Outlook";

Zillow Rent = US Zillow Rent Index All Homes YoY Smoothed Seasonally Adjusted, Source = Zillow, Inc., dated 11/30/24, New Tenant Rent = New Tenant Rent Index, Source = Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland, dated 9/30/24, Shiller Home Price = S&P CoreLogic Case-Shiller U.S. National Home Price SA Index, Source = S&P/Case-Shiller, dated 10/31/24, Shelter CPI = US CPI Urban Consumers Shelter SA, Source = Bureau of Labor Statistics, dated 11/30/24.

Slide 29 – "Inflation Outlook";

Median Forecaster = Median projection for change in the Consumer Price Index, Source = Philadelphia Fed Survey of Professional Forecasters, dated 11/15/24, 75-25th Percentile = Interquartile Range of projections for change in the Consumer Price Indes, Source = Philadelphia Fed Survey of Professional Forecasters, dated 11/15/2024, CPI YOY (%) = US CPI Urban Consumers YoY NSA, retrieved from Bloomberg, Source = Bureau of Labor Statistics, dated 11/30/24, Inflation Swaps Pricing = USD Inflation Swap Zero Coupon Curve, Source = Bloomberg, dated 12/31/24.

Slide 30 – "Labor Market Outlook";

Retrieved from Bloomberg; Native Born Labor Force = US Employment Civilian Labor Force Native Born 16 Years And Over Total, Source = Bureau of Labor Statistics, dated 11/30/24, Foreign Born Labor Force = US Employment Civilian Labor Force Foreign Born 16 Years And Over Total, dated 11/30/24, Labor Demand = US Job Openings By Industry Total SA + US Employment Total in Labor Force SA, Source = Bureau of Labor Statistics, dated 11/30/2024, author's calculations

Slide 31 – "Labor Market Outlook";

Retrieved from Bloomberg; Unemployment Rate = U-3 US Unemployment Rate Total in Labor Force Seasonally Adjusted, Source = Bureau of Labor Statistics, dated 11/30/2024, Median FOMC Forecast = median forecasts in December 18, 2024 Summary of Economic Projections, Source = Federal Reserve

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Source = Factset Earnings Insight, dated December 2024, CY 2024 & CY 2025 refer to calendar year 2024 & 2025 earnings expectations for S&P 500 companies...

Slide 34 – "2025 Outlook";

Retrieved from Bloomberg; Real GDP Growth, Inflation, and Job Gain forecasts are median private forecasts for real GDP growth, the consumer price index (CPI), and average monthly nonfarm payroll gains in 2024; Fed Funds forecasts = December 2025 Fed Funds Futures; S&P 500 earnings expectation = BEst Bloomberg Estimates Earnings Per Share (EPS), dated 12/31/2024. Asset Class Implications are from Greenleaf Trust Investment Research. dated 12/31/24.

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