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# Consumer Price Inflation

"Inflation is taxation without legislation" - Milton Friedman

"I do not think it is an exaggeration to say history is largely a history of inflation, usually inflations engineered by Governments for the gain of Governments" – Friedrich August Von Hayek

"The most important thing to remember is that inflation is not an act of God, that inflation is not a catastrophe of the elements or a disease that comes like the plague, inflation is a policy" – Ludwig Von Mises

"In the absence of the gold standard, there is no way to protect savings from confiscation through inflation. There is no safe store of value" – Alan Greenspan

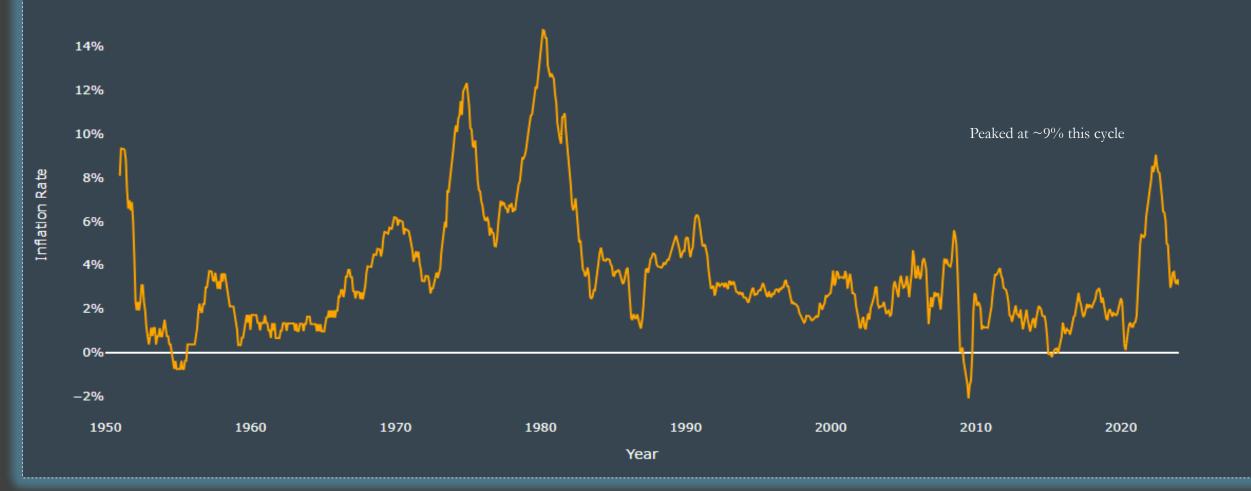


#### Currency in Circulation & CPI



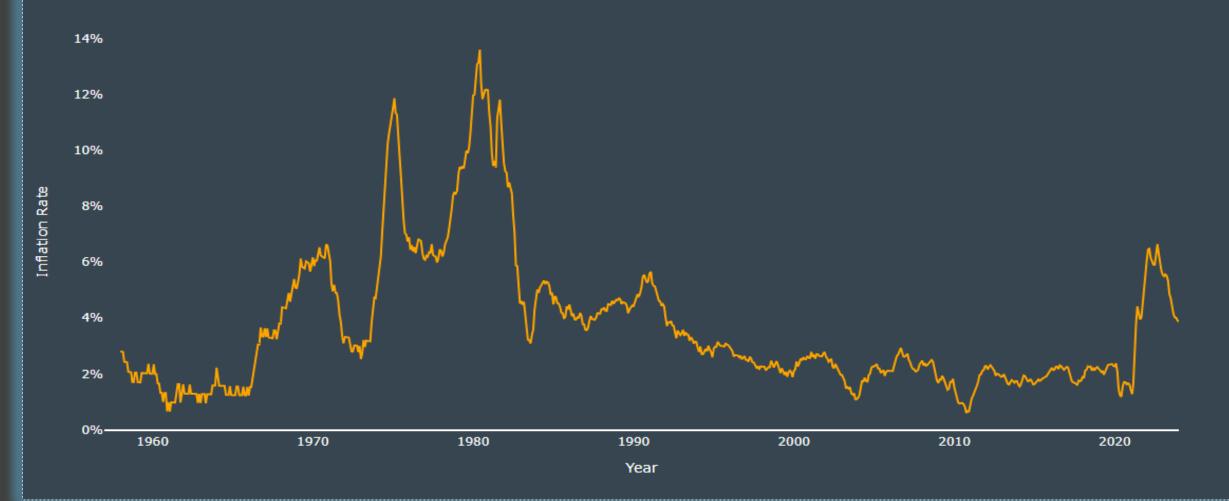


## CPI (Consumer Price Inflation)



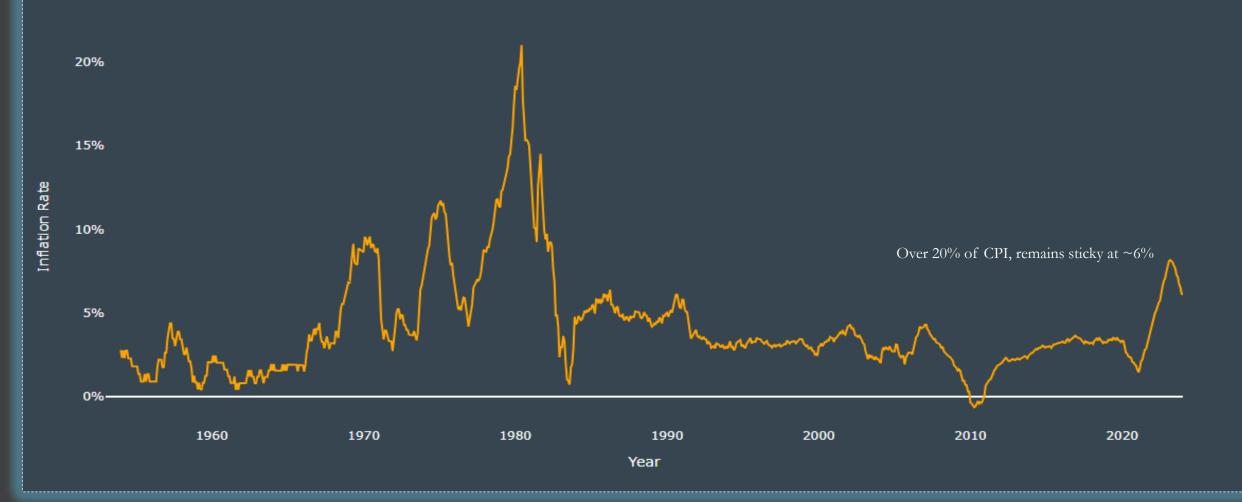


#### Core CPI (Consumer Price Inflation Excluding Food and Energy)









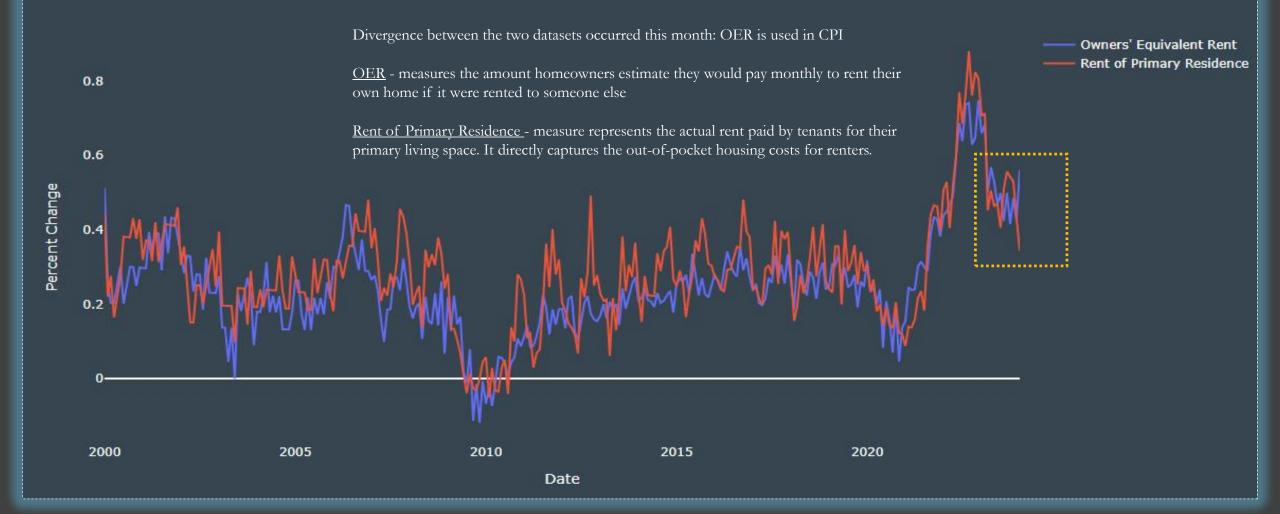








#### CPI: Owners Equivalent Rent Vs. Rent of Primary Residences





#### CPI: Rent of Primary Residence vs. Owners' Equivalent Rent

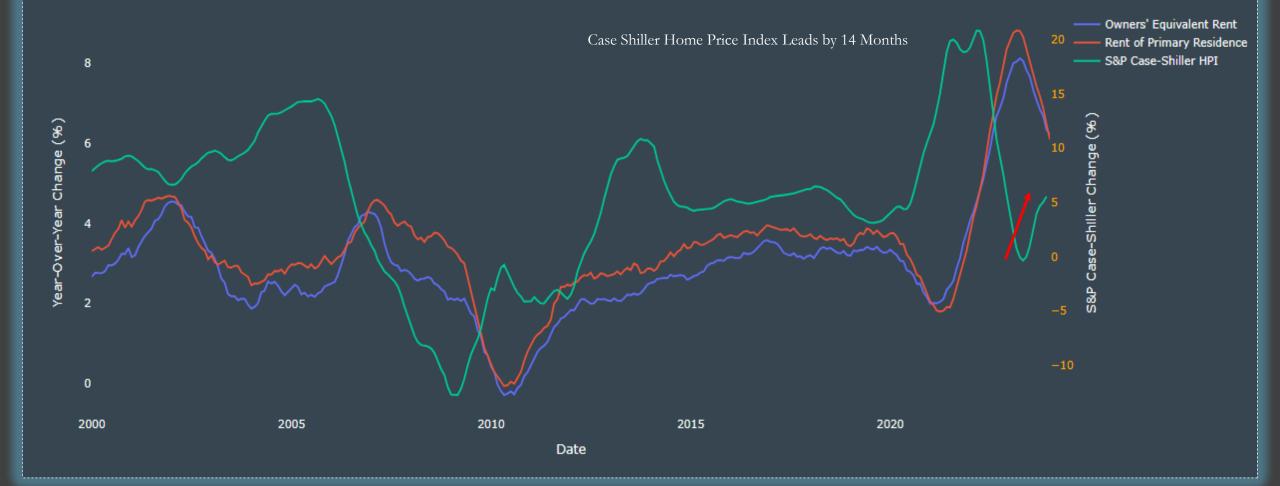


- Rent of Primary Residence vs. Owners' Equivalent Rent
  Best Fitting Line (R-squared=0.72)
- Most Recent Data Point

Data begins in 1999: This month was the largest divergence between the two going back to that year

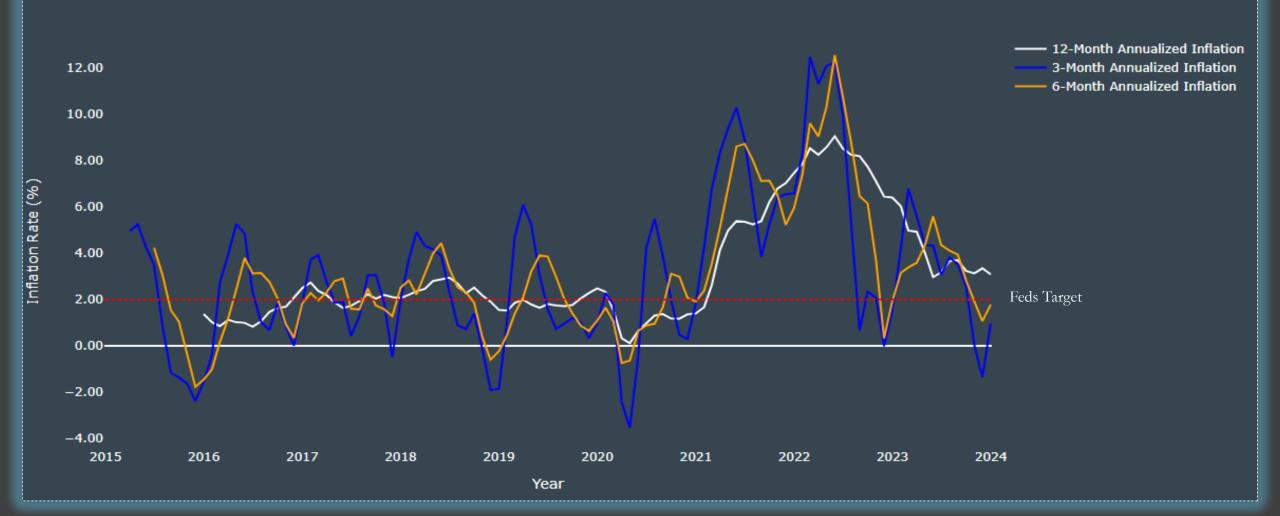


#### Home Price Inflation



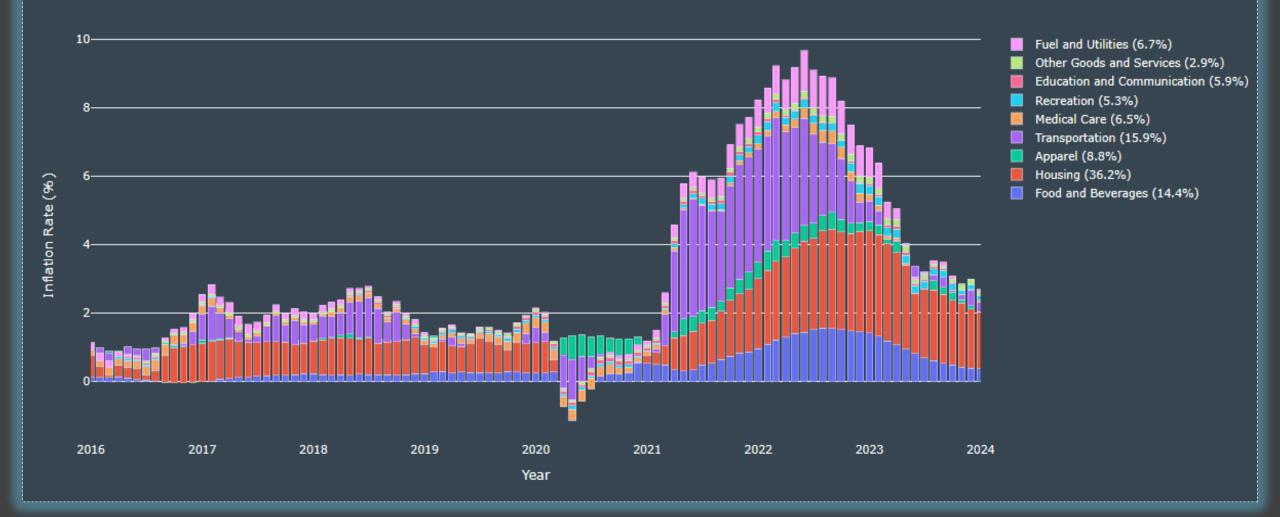


## CPI (Consumer Price Index)

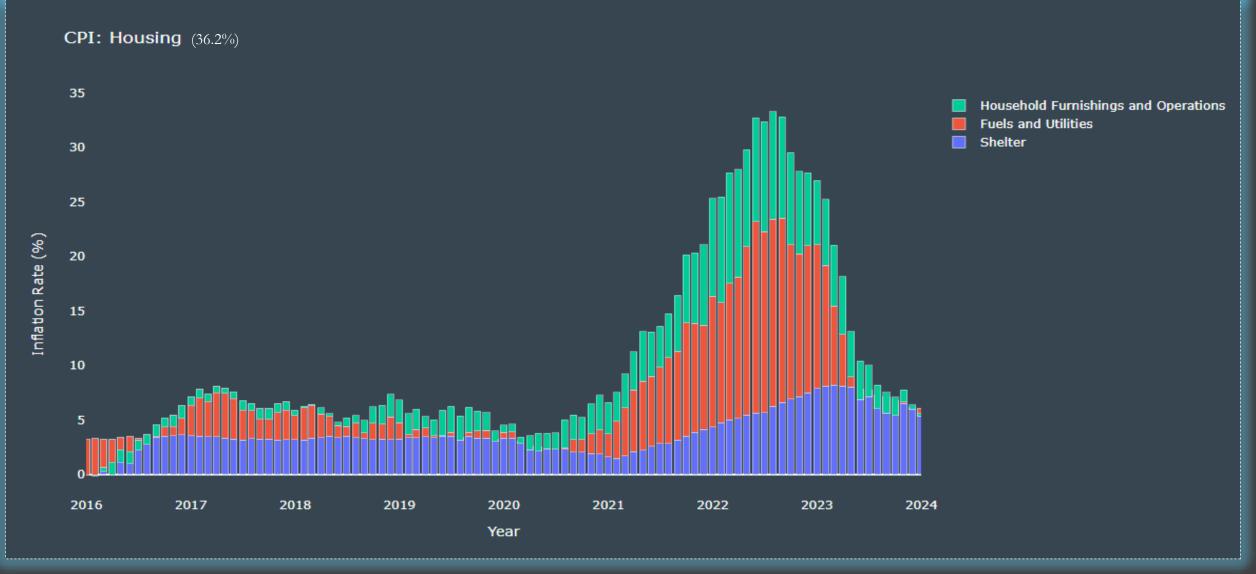




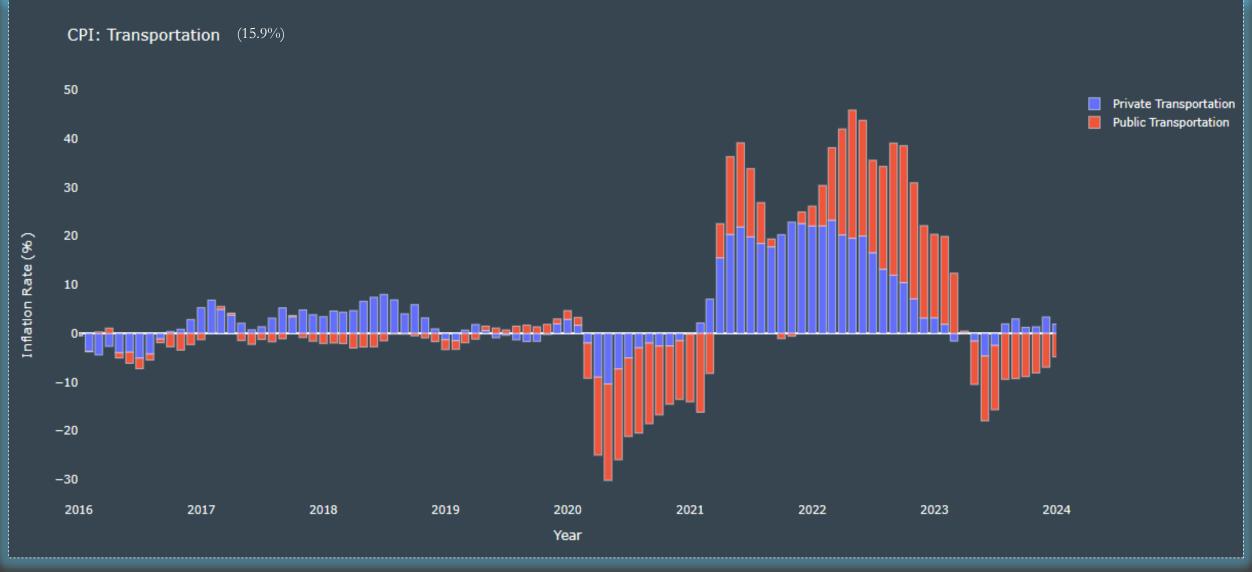
#### **CPI: Major Components**



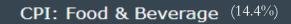


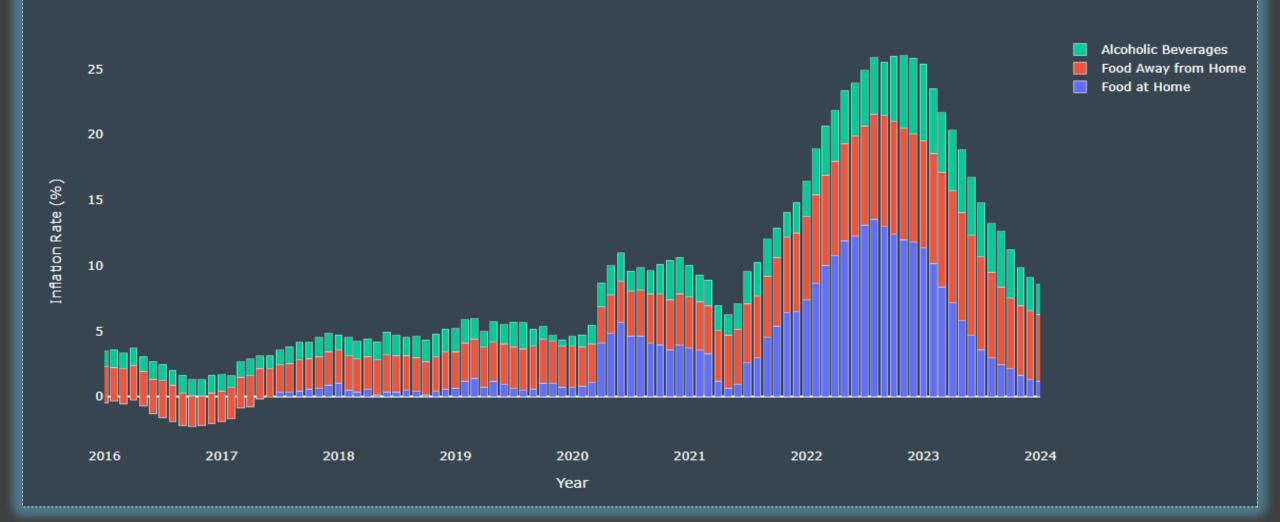




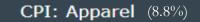








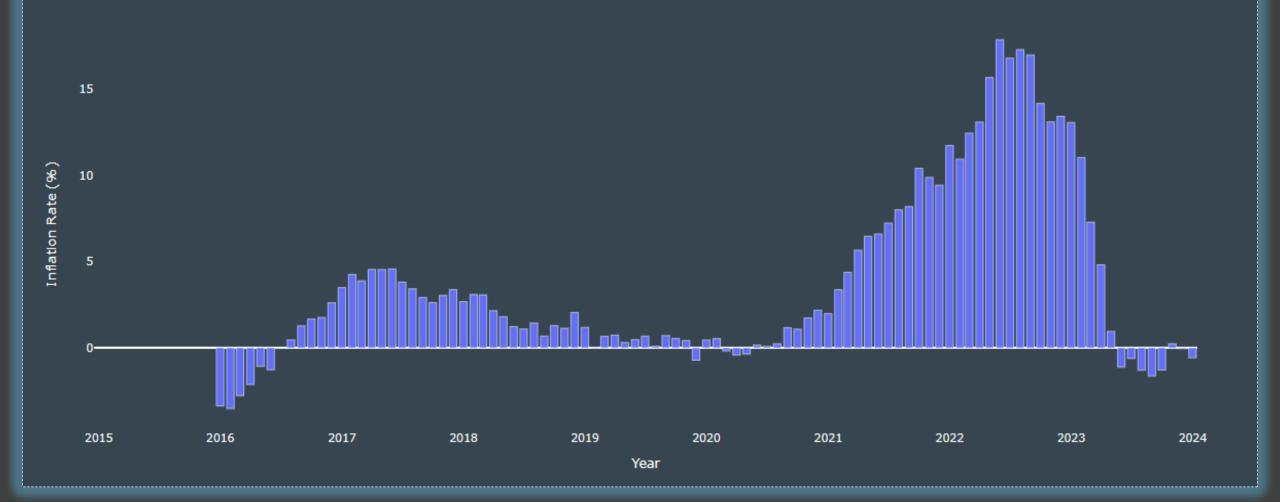






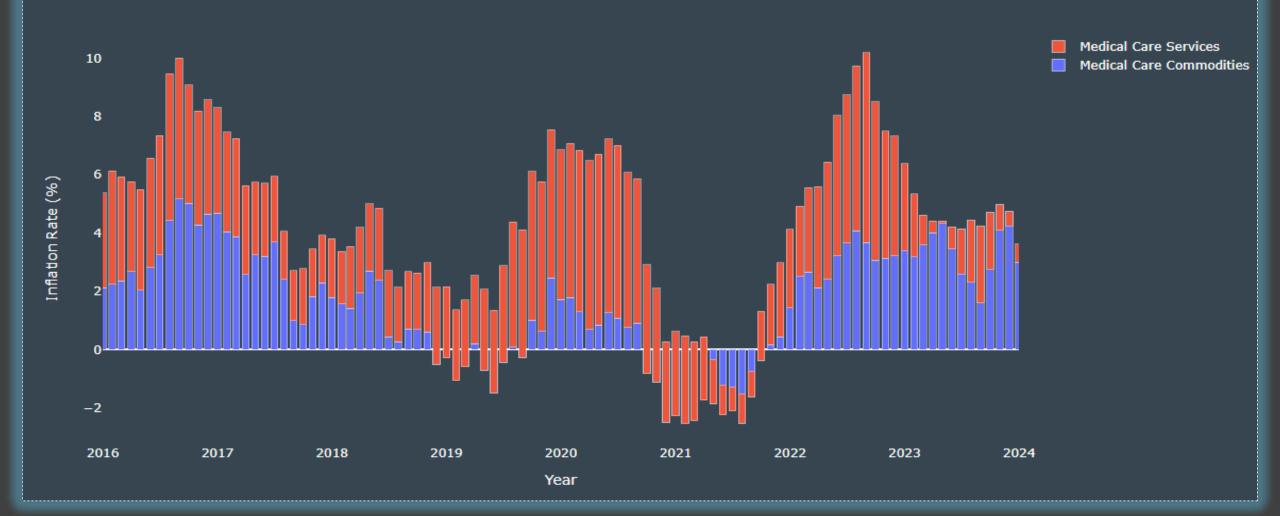






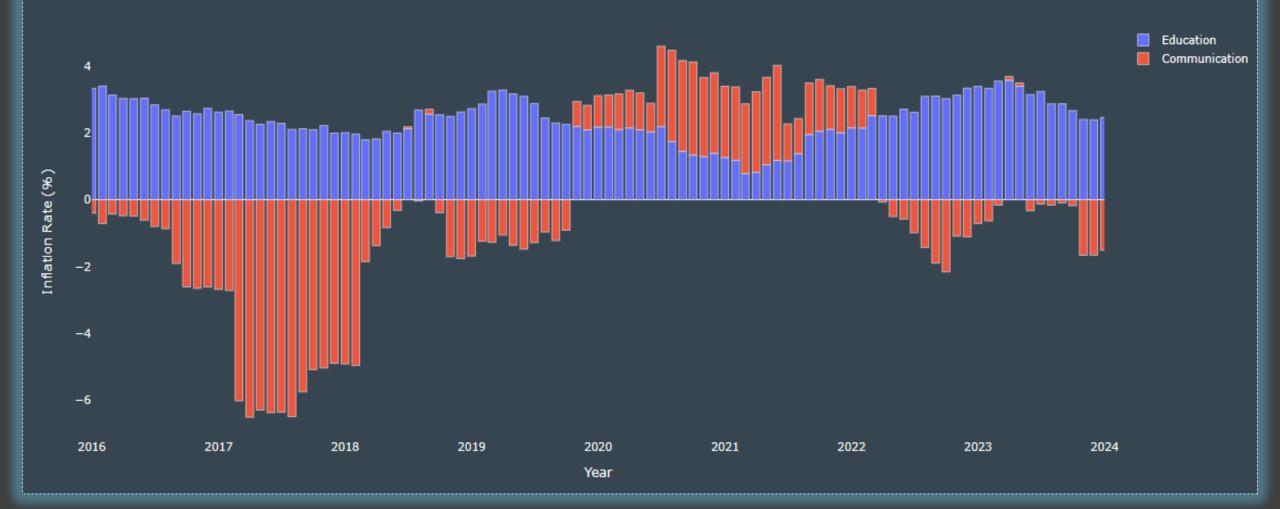


CPI: Medical Care (6.5%)



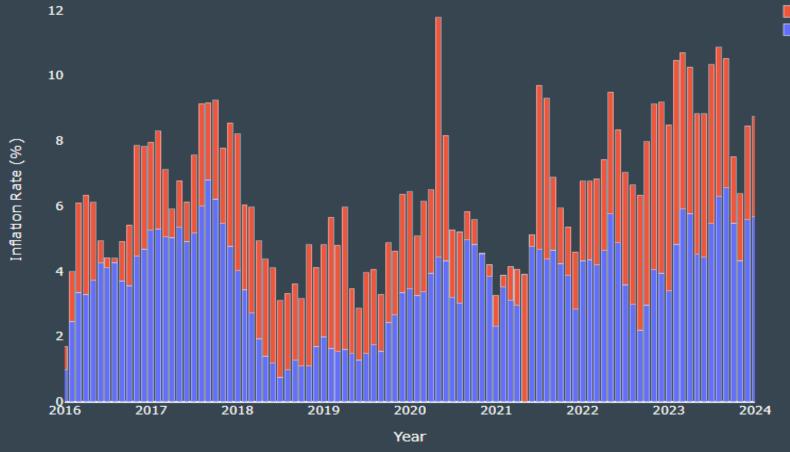


**CPI:** Education & Communication (5.9%)





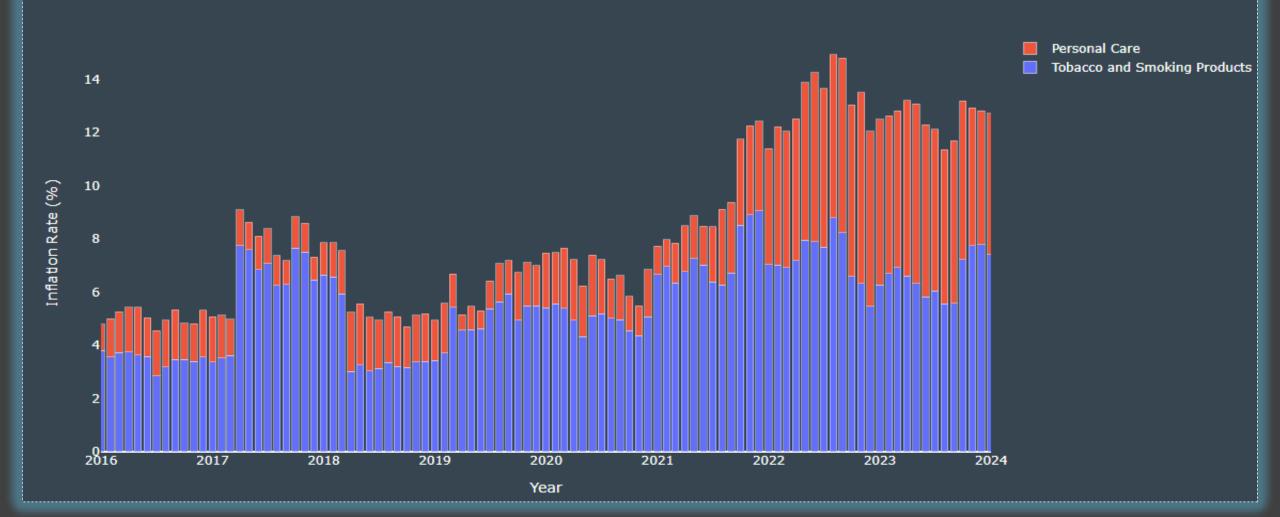
CPI: Recreation (5.3%)



Club Membership for Shopping Clubs, Fraternal, or Other FeesCable, Satellite, and Live Streaming Television Service



CPI: Other Goods & Services (2.9%)





## CPI & Wage Growth

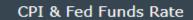




#### CPI & 10-Year Yield











## CPI, Core CPI, PCE, Core PCE & Fed Funds Rate





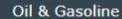


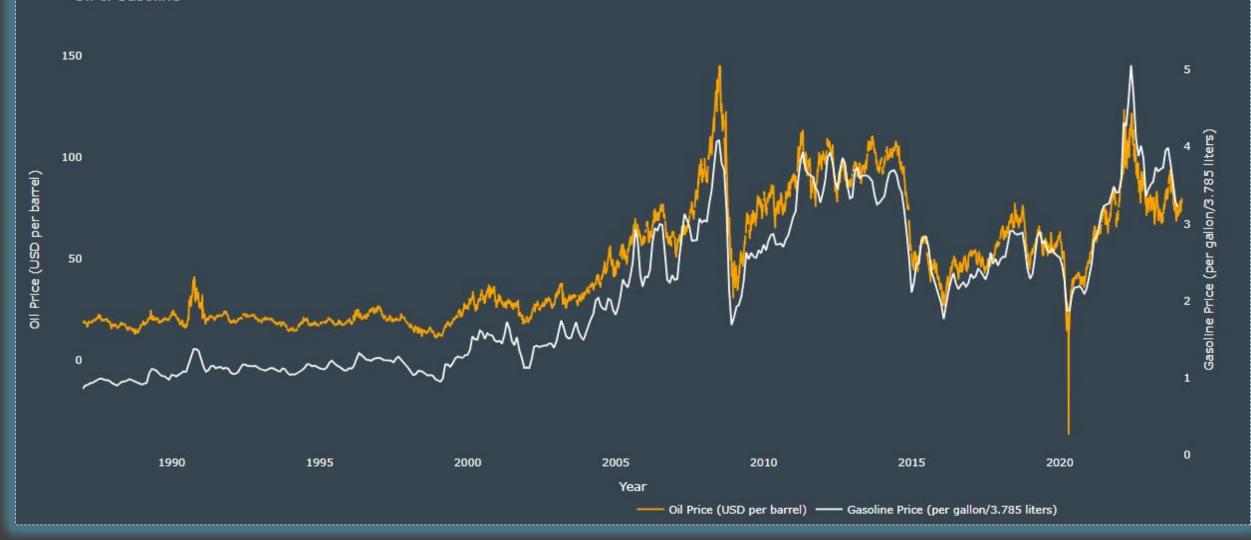


CPI & Oil



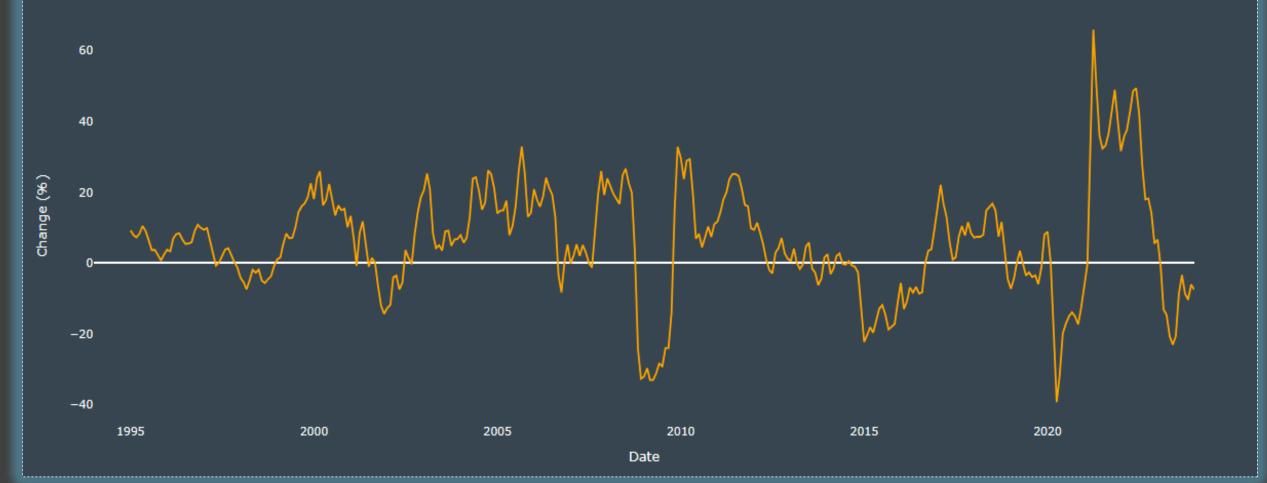






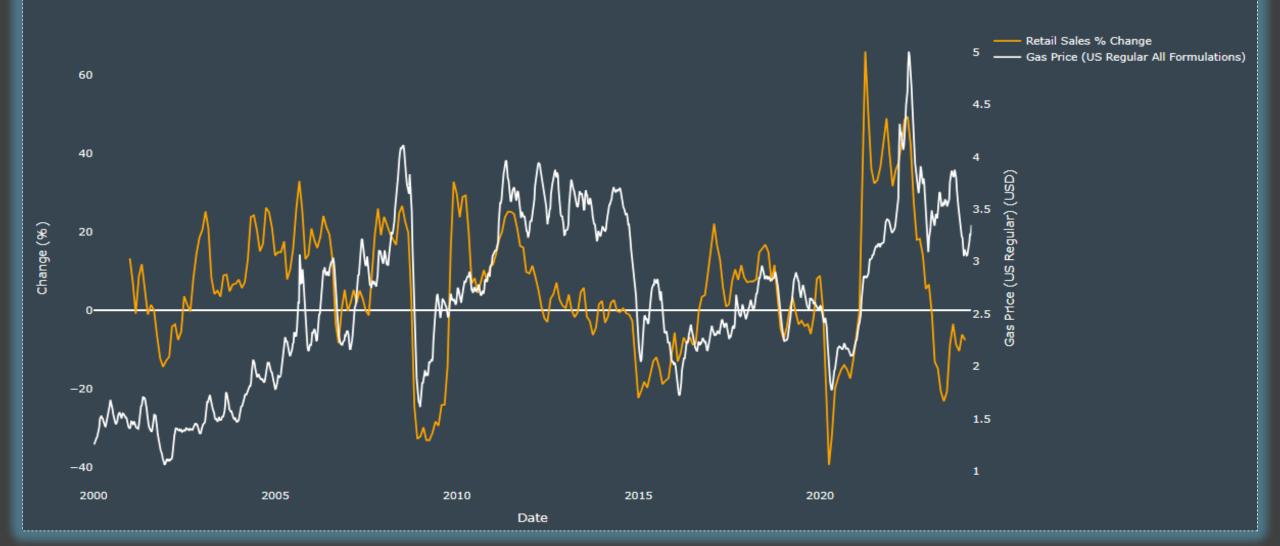


Retail Sales: Gasoline Stations





Retail Sales: Gas Stations & Gas Price





#### Weekly U.S. Ending Stocks of Crude Oil in SPR (Thousand Barrels)





Weekly U.S. Ending Stocks of Crude Oil in SPR & Oil Prices





Oil

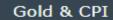


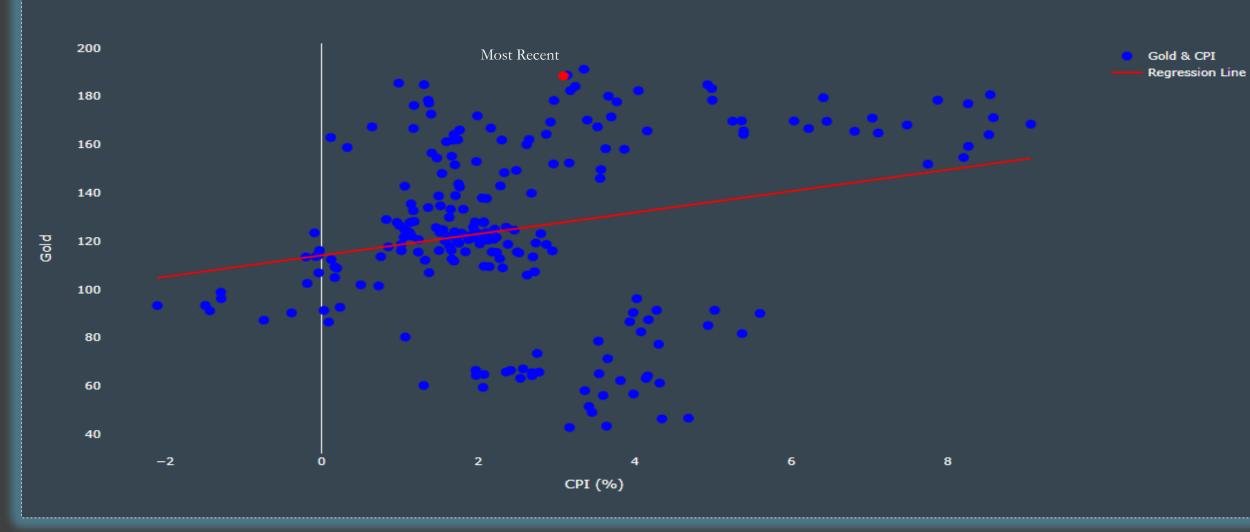


CPI & Gold



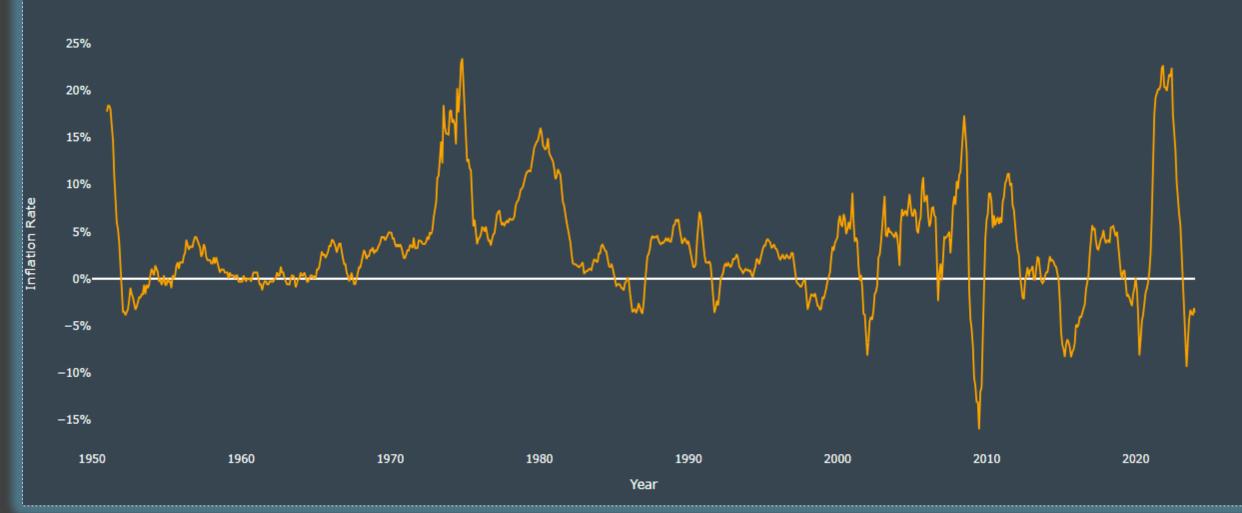








## PPI (Producer Price Index)



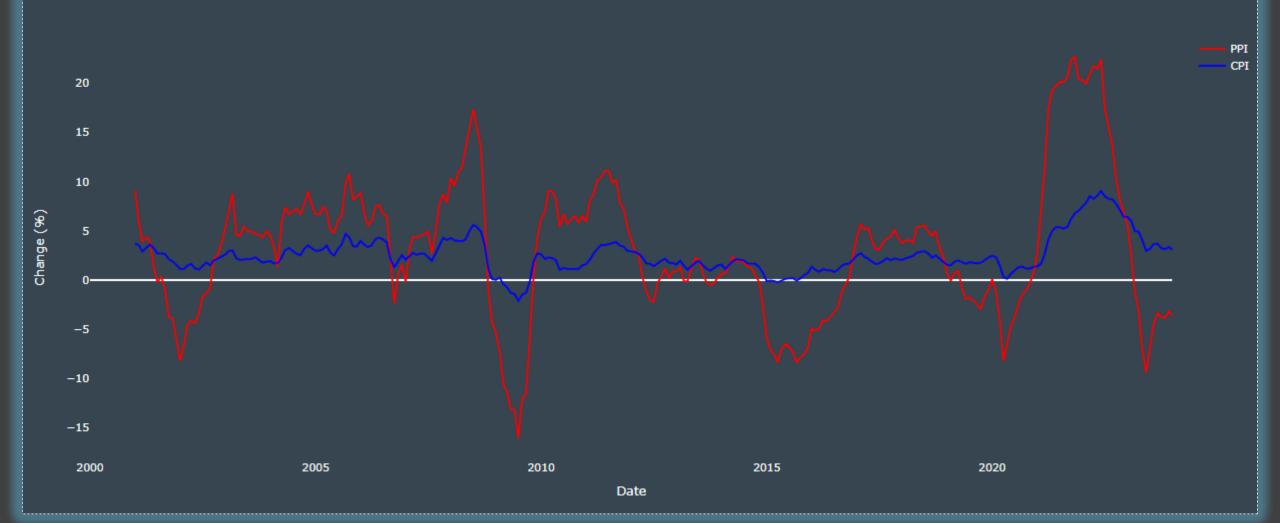


#### PPI: Industries

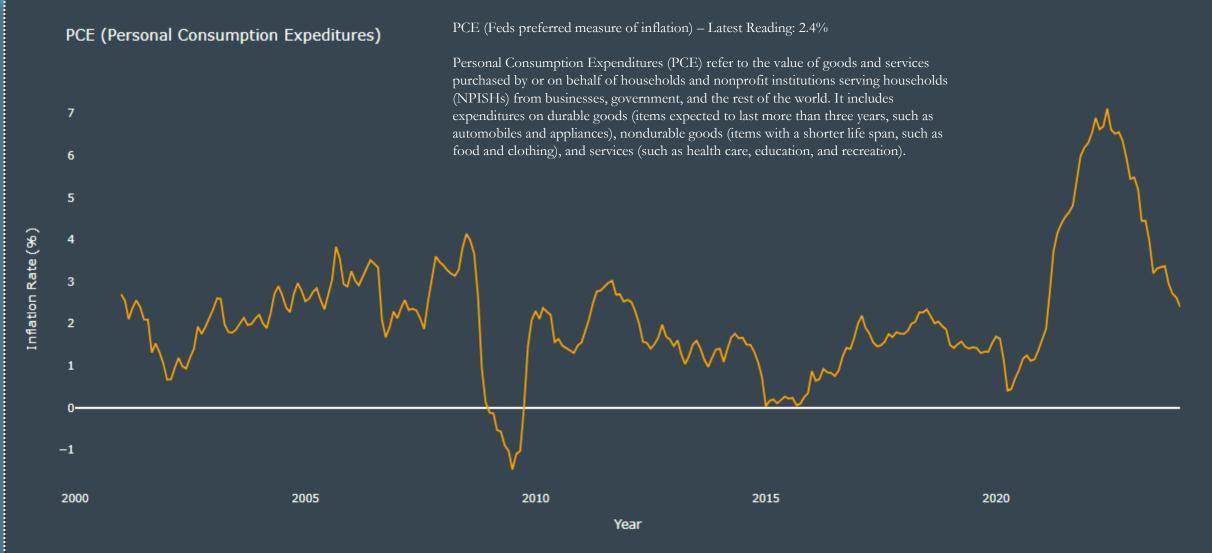




PPI & CPI

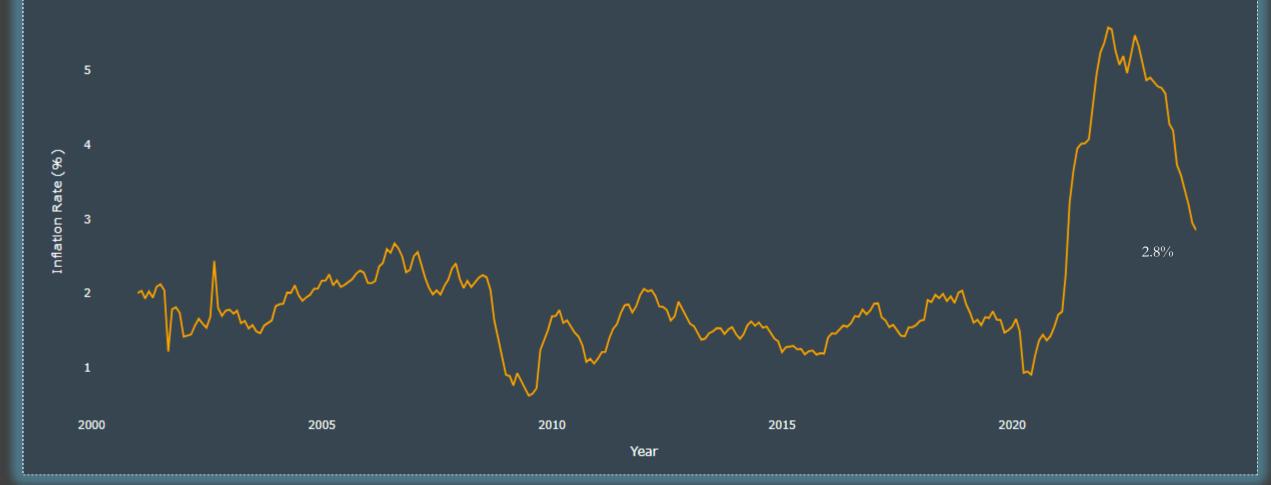






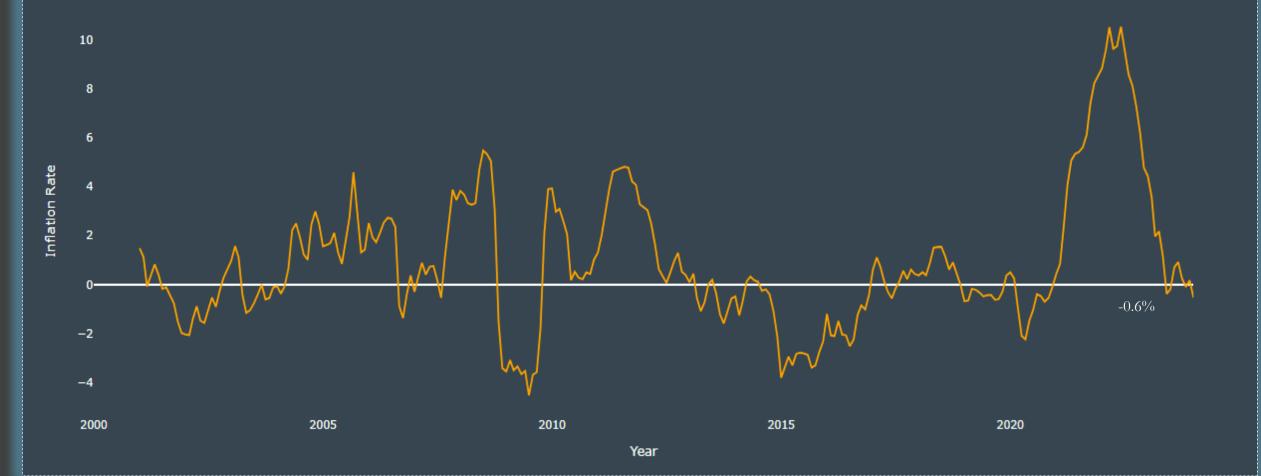


# Core PCE (Ex. Food & Energy)



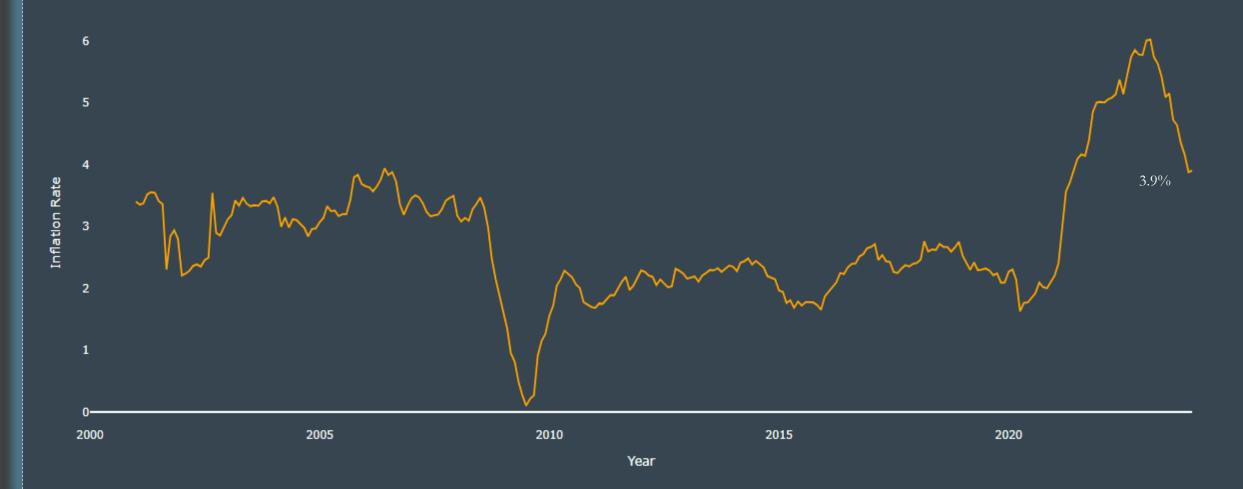


# PCE Goods (Personal Consumption Expenditures: Goods)

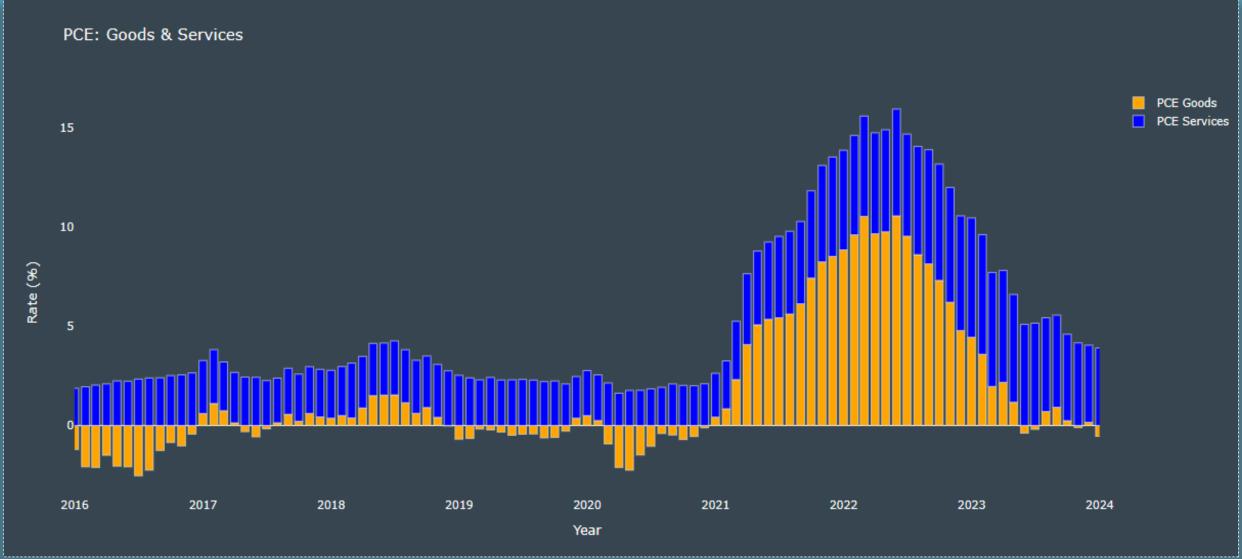




## PCE Services (Personal Consumption Expenditures: Services)

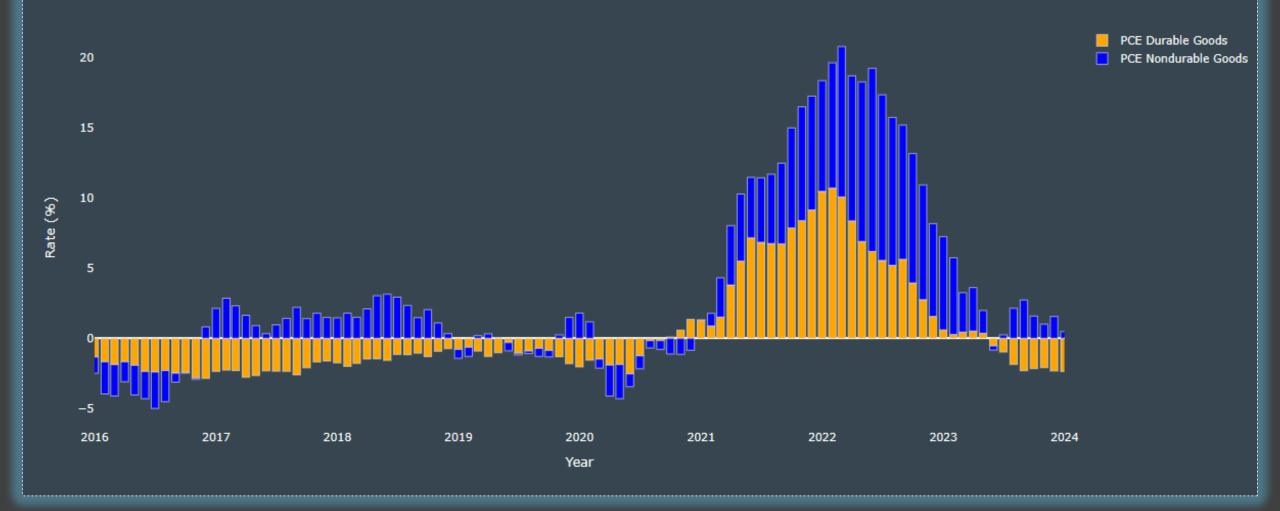






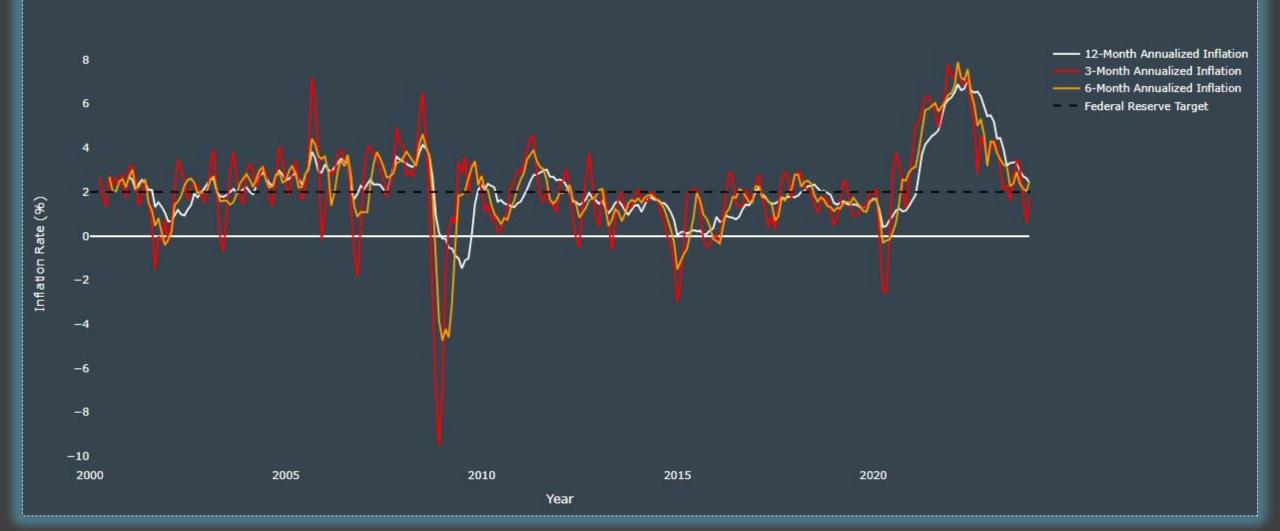


### PCE: Durable Goods & Nondurable Goods





#### PCE: 3-6-12 Month Annualized



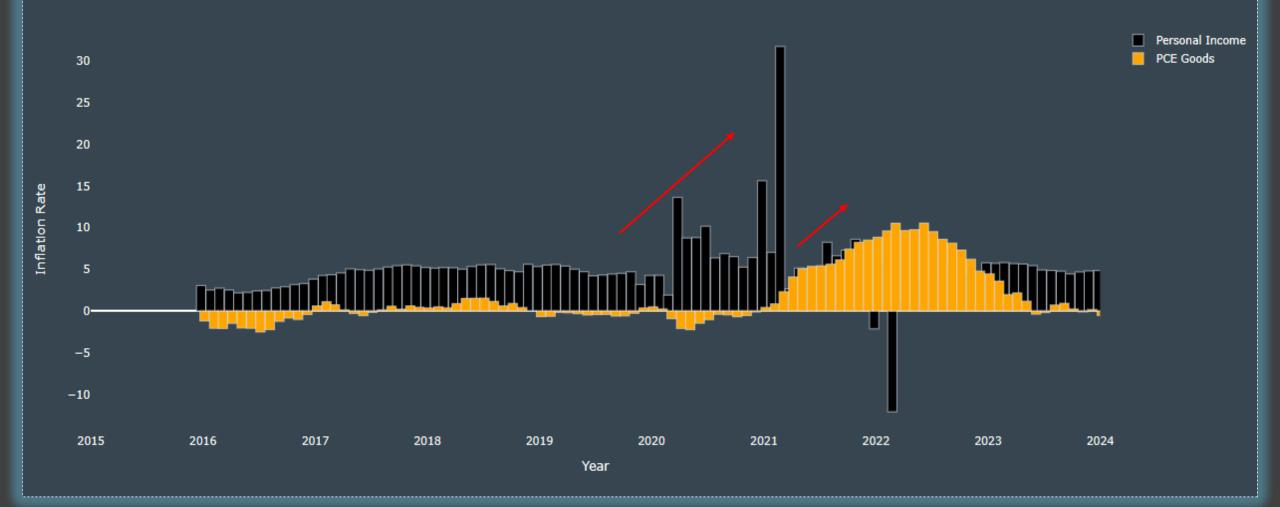


## PCE & Fed Funds Rate



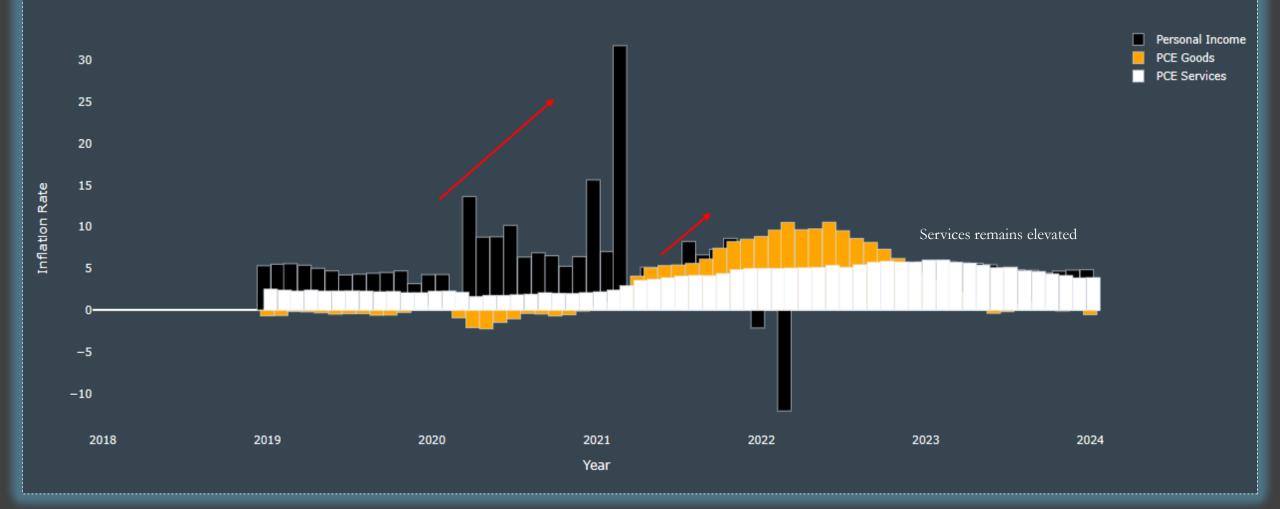


## Personal Income & PCE Goods





## Personal Income, PCE Goods & PCE Services





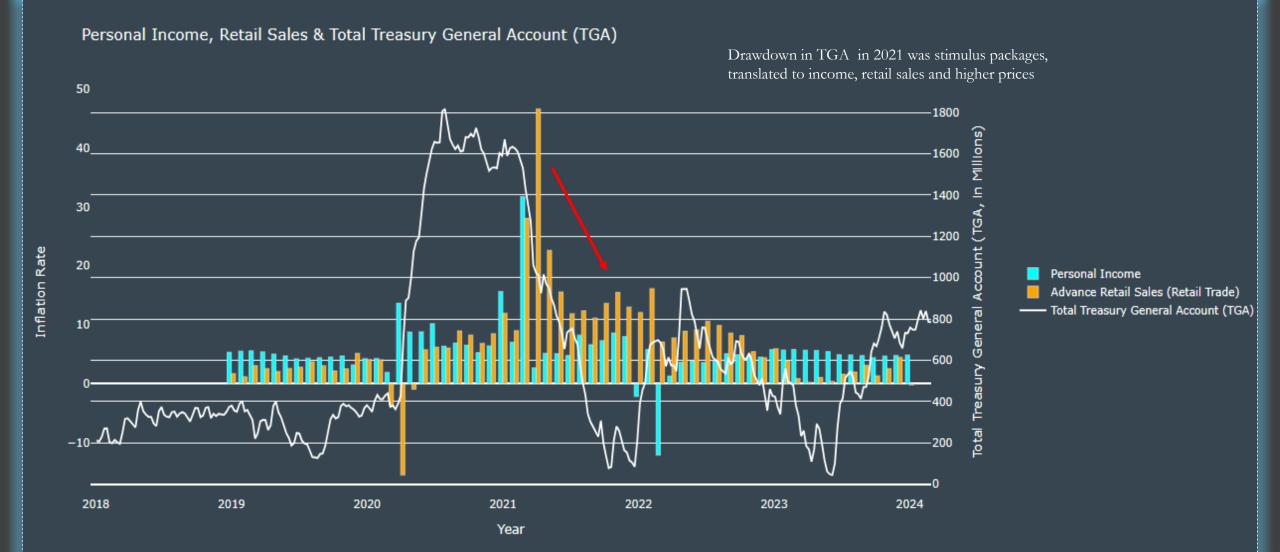
### Personal Income, Retail Sales, Personal Consumption Expenditures & Federal Reserve Total Assets



- Personal Income
- Advance Retail Sales (Retail Trade)
- Personal Consumption Expenditures (PCE)
- --- Federal Reserve Total Assets

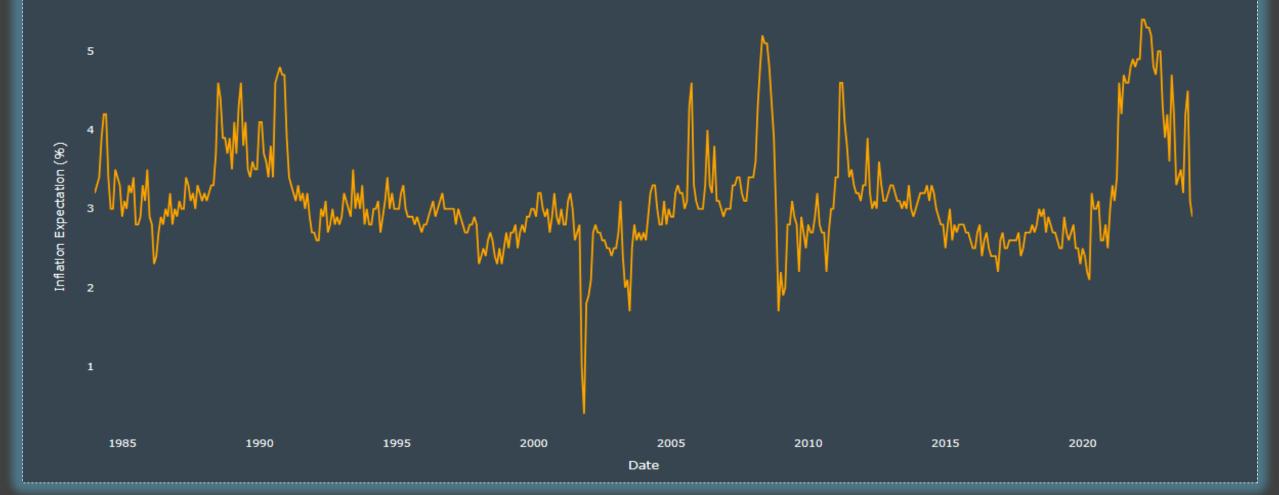
\$3 trillion jump in the balance sheet in 2020 was the Fed monetization of Government debt to provide them with money for stimulus and provide backstop to the financial system







University of Michigan: Inflation Expectations (Next 12 Months)





#### Inflation Expectations





Gold





# Silver





# Copper





# Commodity Index





## **Base Metals**





# Agriculture





# Index Overview







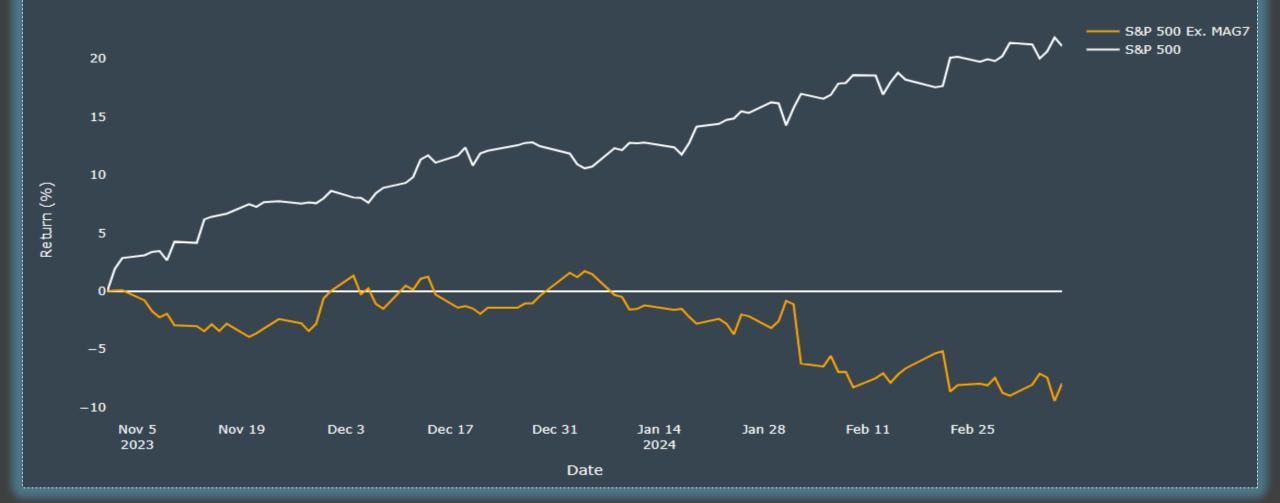








#### S&P 500 & S&P 500 Ex. MAG7













#### S&P 500 & Russell 2000









### 10 Year Yield





### 30 Year Yield





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