

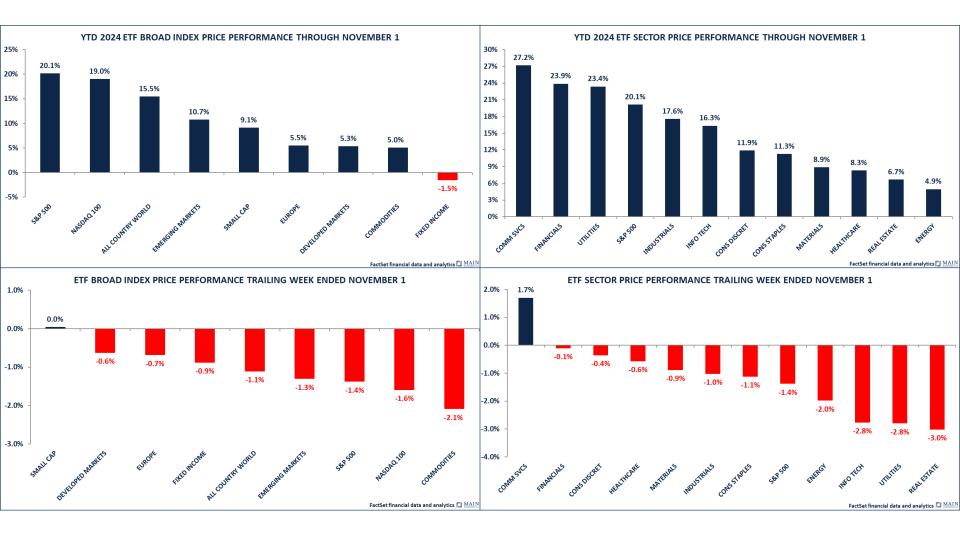
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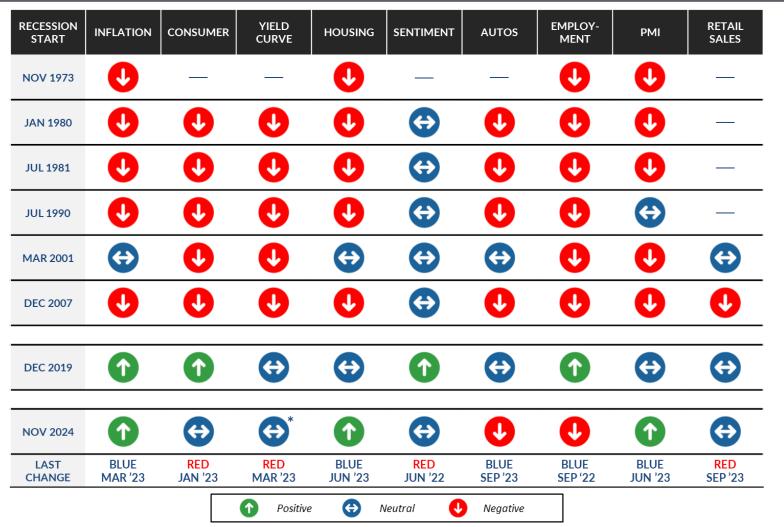


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Recession Dashboard

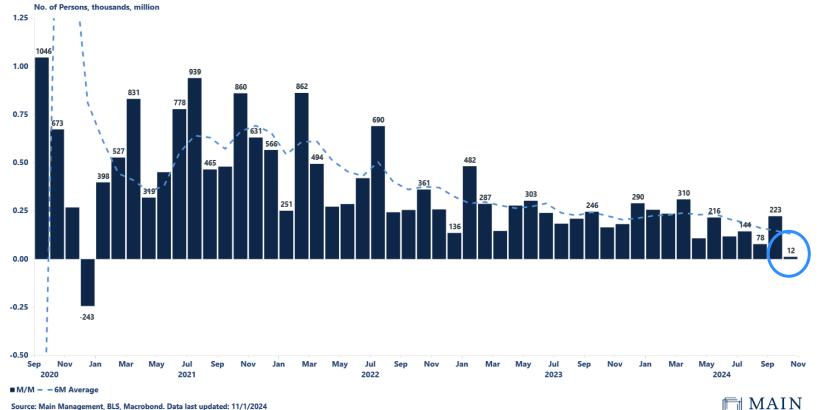


Inflation: Headline CPI. Source: St. Louis Fed. Consumer: Conference Board Consumer Confidence. Source: The Conference Board. Yield Curve: 10 year – 3 month Treasury spread. Source: FactSet financial data and analytics. Housing: Housing Starts & Existing Home Sales. Source: St. Louis Fed. Sentiment:. Conference Board Consumer Confidence, UMich Consumer Sentiment, State Street Investor Confidence, CEO Confidence, VIX, AAII Autos: Auto Sales. Source: St. Louis Fed. Employment: Initial Weekly Unemployment Claims & Nonfarm Payrolls. Source: St. Louis Fed. PMI: Markit US Manufacturing PMI & US ISM Manufacturing PMI & Chicago PMI. Source: Markit, ISM. Retail Sales: Advance Retail Sales. Source: St. Louis Fed. * 10 year – 3 month Treasury spread inverted on 11/2/22.

NonFarm Payrolls

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October NonFarm Payrolls came at +12k, far below expectations for +113k. It's the smallest reading since December 2020's -243k decline. Weather and strikes weighed upon the reading, so it's not as bad as it seems at first glance...



NONFARM PAYROLLS M/M

Negative

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NonFarm Payrolls

Looking a bit more under the covers, we see that while the Participation Rate declined to 62.6%, the Unemployment Rate was unchanged at 4.1%. Wage growth beat forecasts, rising +0.37% M/M and accelerating to +3.99% Y/Y. That figure is solidly above inflation, providing consumers with real purchasing power.

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Total No of any Freedom and			12 Months Ago 156.832	¥/¥ 1.4%	0.0%
Total Nonfarm Employment	159,005	158,993		1.4%	0.0%
Total Nonfarm Employment (Δ From Prior Period)	12	223	165		
Civilian Non-Institutional Population	269,289	269,080	267,642	0.6%	0.1%
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Civilian Labor Force	168,479	168,699	167,723	0.5%	-0.19
Civilian Labor Force (A From Prior Period)	-220	150	-174		
Participation Rate	62.6%	62.7%	62.7%	-0.2%	-0.29
Employed (Household data)	161,496	161,864	161,280	0.1%	-0.29
Employed (Household data) (Δ From Prior Period)	-368	430	-270		
Employed / Population	60.0%	60.2%	60.3%	-0.5%	-0.3
Unemployed	6,984	6,834	6,443	8.4%	2.29
Unemployed (∆ From Prior Period)	150	-281	96		
Unemployment Rate (U3)	4.1%	4.1%	3.8%	7.9%	0.09
Unemployment Rate (U6)	7.7%	7.7%	7.2%	6.9%	0.09
Part-time for Economic Reasons	4,557	4,624	4,284	6.4%	-1.4
Want A Job Now (∆ From Prior Period)	-261	-158	-262		
Not in Labor Force	100,809	100,381	99,919	0.9%	0.49
Not in Labor Force (A From Prior Period)	428	75	388		
Not In Labor Force / Population	37.4%	37.3%	37.3%	0.3%	0.39
Δ in NFPs Less Those Leaving the Labor Force	-416	148	-223		
Average Hourly Earnings	\$35.46	\$35.33	\$34.10	4.0%	0.49
Average Hourly Earnings (Y/Y change)	3.99%	3.88%	4.28%		
Private Weekly Hours Worked	34.3	34.3	34.3	0.0%	0.09
Manufacturing Weekly Hours Worked	39.9	40.0	40.0	-0.3%	-0.3
Total Private Diffusion Index (256 Industries, 1 Month Span)	55.6	59.8	56.6	-1.8%	-7.0
Manufacturing Diffusion Index (74 Industries, 1 Month Span)	45.1	43.1	43.1	4.6%	4.69
Source: Main Management, BLS, Macrobond. Data last updated	d: 11/1/2024				1AI

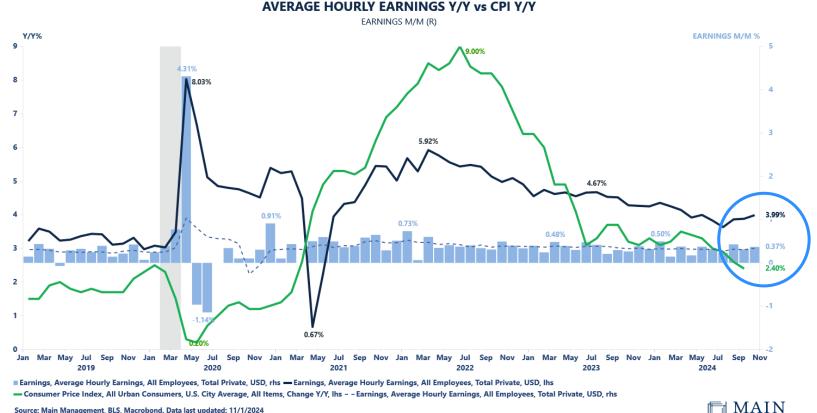
US Employment

Neutral



Wages

Here are the wage gains shown against CPI. It's good to see the divergence as Wages have started accelerating over the last couple months while CPI has continued to slow. This dynamic means more purchasing power for consumers, who are still feeling the negative effects of the high inflation seen in 2021-2022.



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JOLTS

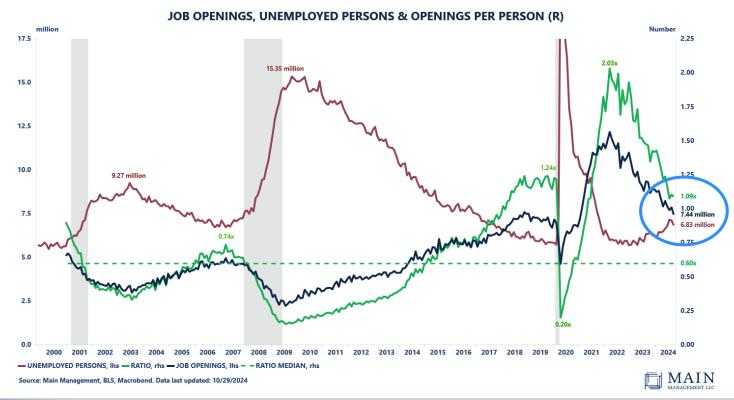
As always, JOLTS are about a month lagged but give additional insight into the labor market. Openings fell to 7.44 million, lowest since Jan. 2021, while Hires rose to 5.56mil. Quits moved down to 3.07mil, lowest since August 2020, while Layoffs rose to 1.83mil, highest since March 2023. Not great to see those Layoffs climbing while Quits are declining indicating a deterioration in worker confidence. Although to be fair, Layoffs are basically just now getting back in line with pre-covid levels.



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JOLTS

The ratio of Job Openings per Unemployed Person ticked down to 1.09x. The actual levels of Openings (7.4mil) and Unemployed Persons (6.8mil) may swap places here soon, reverting to what has been the usual dynamic for most of the time since JOLTS started being calculated. There may be some hand-wringing over this switch but its important to remember the longer-term, more normal relationship.





Consumer Spending

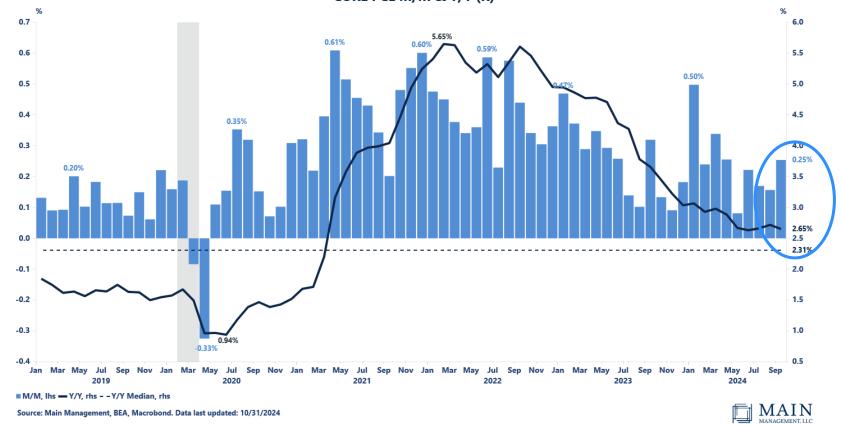
The September read for Consumer Spending was solid at +0.53% M/M, ahead of forecasts for a +0.4% rise. The Y/Y figure currently stands at +5.25%, basically in line with pre-covid levels and should help reassure pundits that the consumer is doing ok despite the higher rate environment. The Wage gains from the NFP report also reinforce this story.



Core PCE

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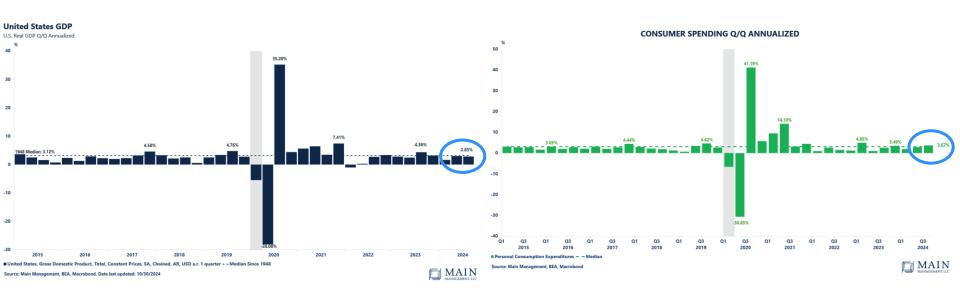
September's Core PCE reading rose +0.25% M/M, in line with expectations and the biggest gain since April. On a year-over-year basis, it ticked down to +2.65%, sightly above forecasts, but with tougher comps in the coming months, that deceleration trend looks likely to resume.



Q3 2024 U.S. GDP



The 1st estimate of Q3 2024 U.S. GDP came in at +2.83%, missing forecasts for a +3% reading but still showing solid growth. Like we saw in the September PCE report, Q3 Consumer Spending was robust at +3.67%, the strongest reading since Q1 2023. Investment and Net Exports were drags on the GDP figure while Consumer Spending was responsible for roughly 2.5% of the 2.8% gain.





SUMMARY



- October NonFarm Payrolls came in very light at just +12k, negatively affected by weather and strikes. Wages showed solid growth, though, accelerating on a Y/Y basis to 3.99%.
- The September JOLTS report shows a labor market that continues to moderate. The ratio
 of Unemployed Persons per Open Job stands at 1.09x and may very well dip below 1 in
 the relatively near future, reverting to the dynamic that existed for much of the series
 history.
- Core PCE was up +2.65% Y/Y in September, slightly ahead of forecasts but still painting a
 picture of moderating inflation. Perhaps more notable in the report was the robust
 Consumer Spending figure, showing continued strength even in this higher rate
 environment.
- The 1st estimate for Q3 2024 U.S. GDP came in just below forecasts at +2.83%, but still showing solid growth. Consumer Spending was responsible for the bulk of the increase, confirming the September spending reading from the PCE report.
- Upcoming key data to watch:
 - Productivity (Thursday)
 - Service & Composite PMIs (Tuesday)

APPENDIX



YIELDS & FUTURES







- Fed Funds Futures Dec '24 - 2yr Treasury Yield

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Source: Main Management, CME Group, U.S. Treasury, Macrobond. Data last updated: 11/1/2024



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US TREASURY YIELD CURVE

INFLATION WATCH

MAJOR COMMODITY INDICES Y/Y



Source: Main Management, S&P Global, CoreCommodity Management, LME, EIA, LBMA, Macrobond, LPPM, NRCan, ICCO, ICO, USDA, MIAX, TREA, TMX, Macrobond. Data last updated: 11/1/2024

Commodity	1 Month	3 Months	YTD ↓	1 Year
Bitcoin	6.7%	6.1%	66.8%	103.5%
Silver	3.6	15.1	36.9	40.2
Gold	3.2	13.8	33.0	37.5
Coffee	-8.6	6.5	30.6	54.6
Copper	-4.8	5.9	10.8	16.2
Natural Gas	-6.7	27.3	7.7	-19.2
S&P GSCI	0.5	0.9	5.7	-1.9
US Dollar (DXY)	3.6	-0.5	2.6	-2.0
Lumber	2.8	9.7	1.1	12.5
BBG Commodity Index	-2.2	2.8	-0.6	-6.1
Crude Oil	3.3	-7.4	-1.8	-14.6
Gasoline	2.6	-16.1	-4.7	-9.8
Corn	-1.8	5.7	-12.9	-14.1
Cotton	-5.4	2.1	-14.1	-16.1
Soybeans	-7.8	-4.4	-24.0	-23.4

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