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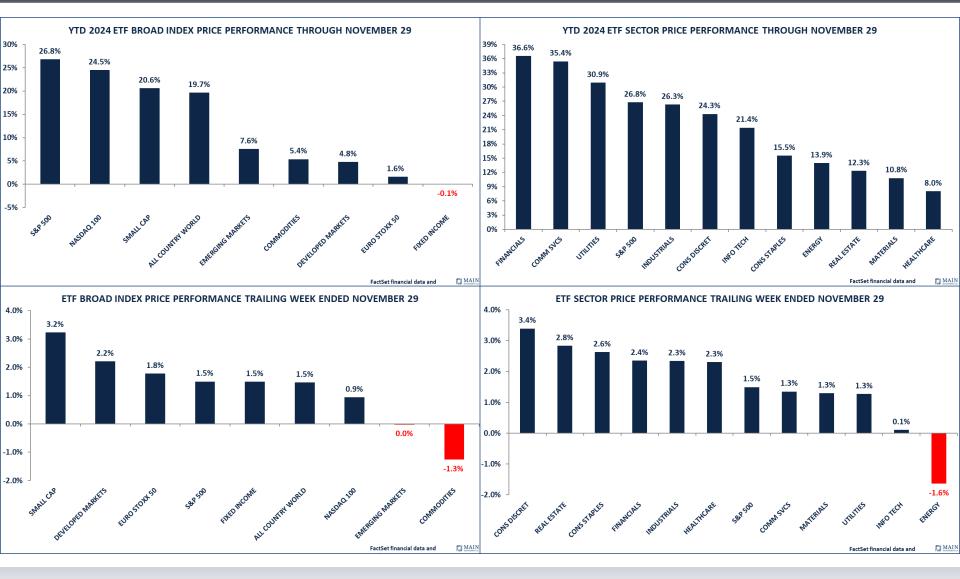
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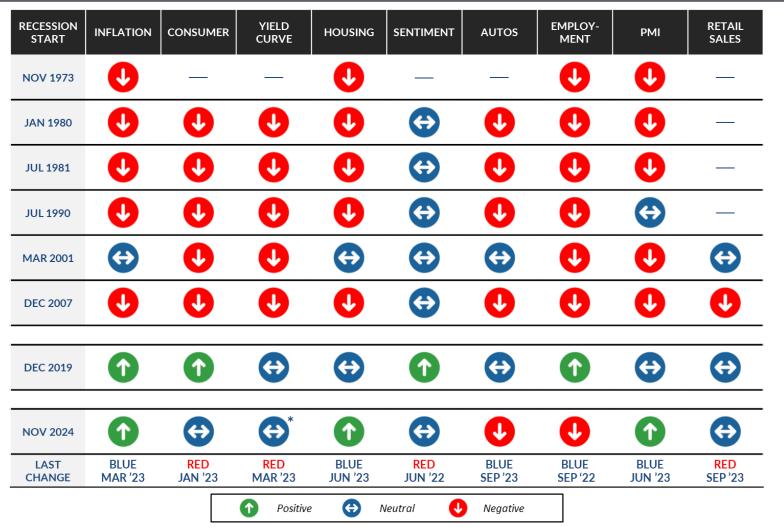


#### Performance





#### **Recession Dashboard**

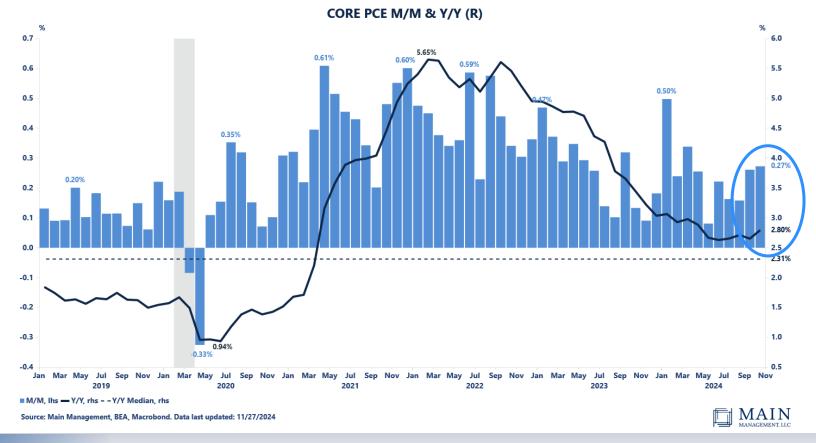


Inflation: Headline CPI. Source: St. Louis Fed. Consumer: Conference Board Consumer Confidence. Source: The Conference Board. Yield Curve: 10 year – 3 month Treasury spread. Source: FactSet financial data and analytics. Housing: Housing Starts & Existing Home Sales. Source: St. Louis Fed. Sentiment:. 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.



#### Core PCE

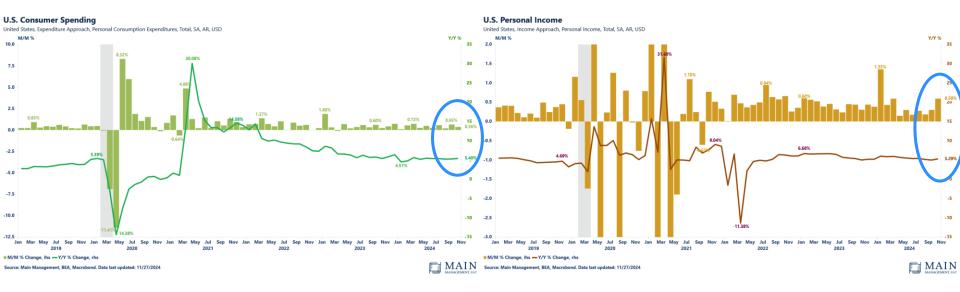
Core PCE, the Fed's preferred inflation measure, posted a +0.27% M/M gain in October, in line with expectations. The Y/Y figure ticked up to 2.80%, the highest since April. We have some easier comps starting in January, though, which could help this figure slow further.



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#### Income & Spending

Consumer Spending (left) came in at +0.36% M/M, slightly above forecasts for a 0.3% reading. The Y/Y figure was basically unchanged at 5.40% but that has been steadily increasing from the recent trough of 4.51% back in January 2024. Incomes (right) accelerated to +0.59% M/M, the biggest gain since January and nearly double forecasts for 0.3%. The Y/Y figure ticked up to +5.29%. It's good to see incomes continue to outpace inflation (nearly double) as it means consumers have real spending power.

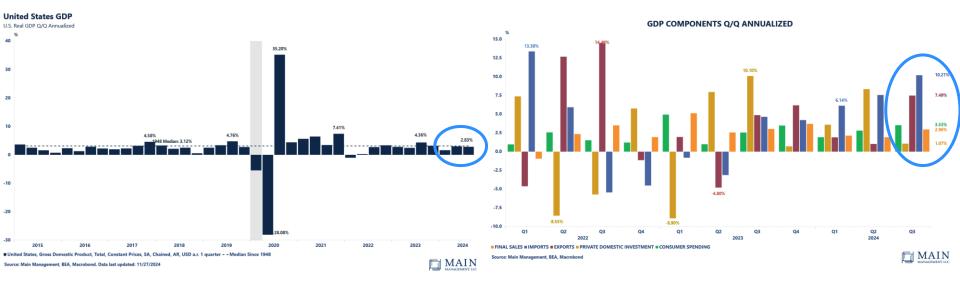




## Q3 2024 U.S. GDP



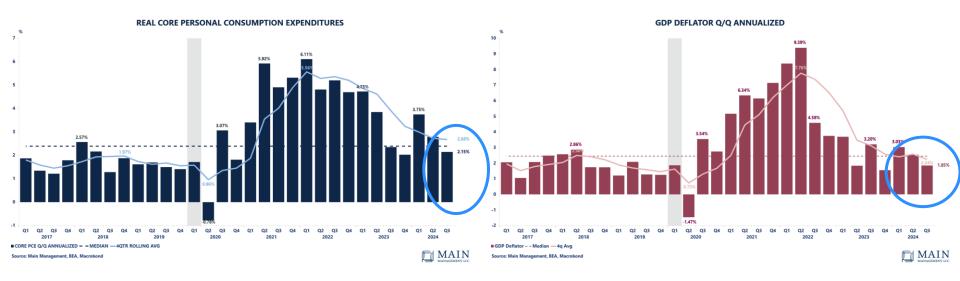
The 2<sup>nd</sup> estimate of Q3 2024 U.S. GDP came in at 2.83% Q/Q (left), unchanged from the preliminary reading. There were a few revisions under the covers though. On the right we show the components. Imports posted a robust +10.21% gain (revised down from 11.19%), the biggest since Q1 2022. Exports were also up big at +7.49% (revised down from 8.91%). Final Sales were revised slightly lower to 2.96% from 3.02%, as was Consumer Spending from 3.67% to 3.53%. Investment was revised up to 1.07% from 0.35%.





## Quarterly Inflation

Within the GDP release, we get a couple different inflation measures as well. The quarterly figure for Real Core Personal Consumption Expenditures (left) was revised slightly lower to 2.15% from 2.16%, and a little below forecasts for a 2.2% reading. The 4qtr rolling average now sits at +2.68%, the lowest since Q1 2021. The GDP Deflator (right) was revised up to 1.85% from 1.80%, though. Still, the 4qtr average slowed to 2.24%, its lowest since Q4 2020!

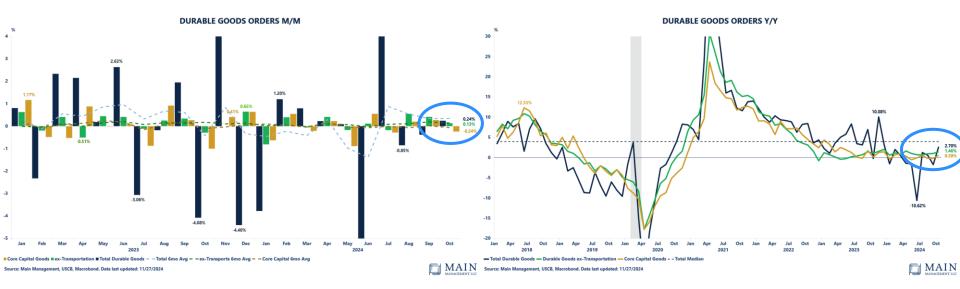






#### **Durable Goods**

Durable Goods Orders were up +0.24% M/M (left) in October, falling well short of forecasts for a 0.5% reading. Orders for Core Capital Goods, a business spending proxy, fell -0.24% M/M, the biggest decline since July. Orders ex-Transports were up +0.13% M/M, roughly half of expectations for a 0.2% reading. On a Y/Y basis (right), Total Durable Goods Orders accelerated to +2.70%, the highest since December 2023. Orders Ex-Transports accelerated to +1.46% while Core Capital Goods ticked back into the black at +0.59%.







## Pending Home Sales

Pending Homes Sales posted a +1.98% M/M gain (left), the 3<sup>rd</sup> in a row and solidly above forecasts for a -2% drop. It's good to see that 6mo rolling average at its highest level since mid-2021. On the right, you can see how depressed the index remains relative to history. Still, the 77.4 reading is the best since March and it's accelerated to +5.4% Y/Y, the biggest gain since May 2021!





## SUMMARY

- Core PCE, the Fed's preferred inflation measure, came in at +0.27% M/M, basically in line with expectations. The Y/Y figure ticked up to +2.80%, the highest since April. But we have some easier comparisons starting in January.
- Consumer Spending beat forecasts, rising +0.36% M/M and +5.40% Y/Y.
  Incomes jumped +0.59% M/M and are now up +5.29% Y/Y.
- The 2<sup>nd</sup> estimate for Q3 2024 U.S. GDP unchanged from the preliminary reading at 2.83%. However, most of the components were revised slightly lower with the exception of Investment.
- Durable Goods Orders came in well below forecasts while Pending Home Sales handily beat forecasts but remain depressed relative to history.
- Upcoming key data to watch:
  - JOLTS (Tuesday)
  - PMIs (Monday Wednesday)
  - NonFarm Payrolls (Friday)

#### APPENDIX



#### **YIELDS & FUTURES**



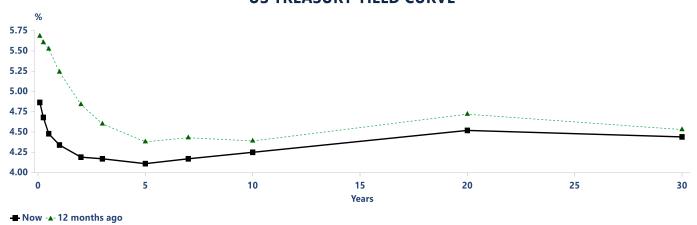
#### FED FUNDS FUTURES & 2-YEAR TREASURY YIELD



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

Source: Main Management, CME Group, U.S. Treasury, Macrobond. Data last updated: 11/27/2024





**US TREASURY YIELD CURVE** 

Source: Main Management, U.S. Treasury, Macrobond. Data last updated: 11/27/2024



## **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: 11/29/2024

Commodity	1 Month	3 Months	YTD ↓	1 Year
Bitcoin	43.5%	<b>60.7</b> %	127.2%	156.8%
Coffee	31.3	25.7	73.2	81.5
Gold	-4.0	4.5	27.9	31.0
Natural Gas	27.0	58.5	27.4	12.2
Silver	-10.4	1.1	26.2	23.8
Lumber	11.1	16.3	8.3	6.7
S&P GSCI	-0.8	0.0	6.0	2.8
Copper	-6.3	-4.8	5.0	7.5
US Dollar (DXY)	1.7	5.5	4.6	2.8
BBG Commodity Index	-2.1	1.3	-0.9	-3.6
Crude Oil	0.1	-8.9	-4.1	-8.2
Gasoline	-2.7	-13.6	-6.1	-8.9
Cotton	4.1	5.1	-9.2	-6.4
Corn	-1.4	13.1	-11.8	-10.3
Soybeans	-0.8	3.9	-23.6	-25.7



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