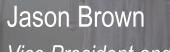
# **Economic Outlook**

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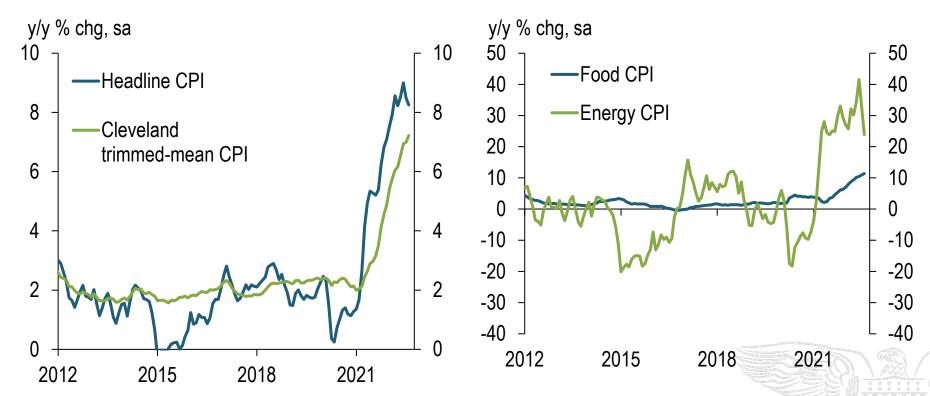


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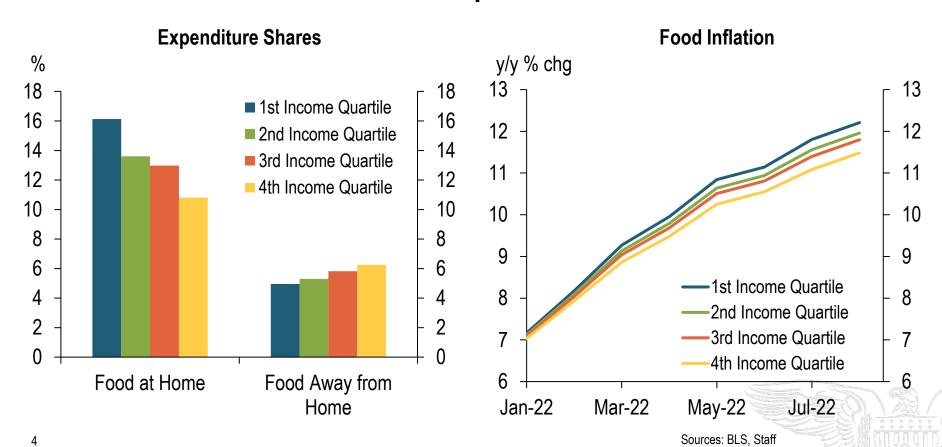
#### **Outlook themes**

- Inflation remains elevated, with low to moderate income households experiencing higher rates of inflation.
- Labor markets are very tight, which has boosted wage growth and supported consumer spending.
- Monetary policy appears to be slowing demand, but with a lag.
- Long-term trends in supply may limit housing and rental price declines.

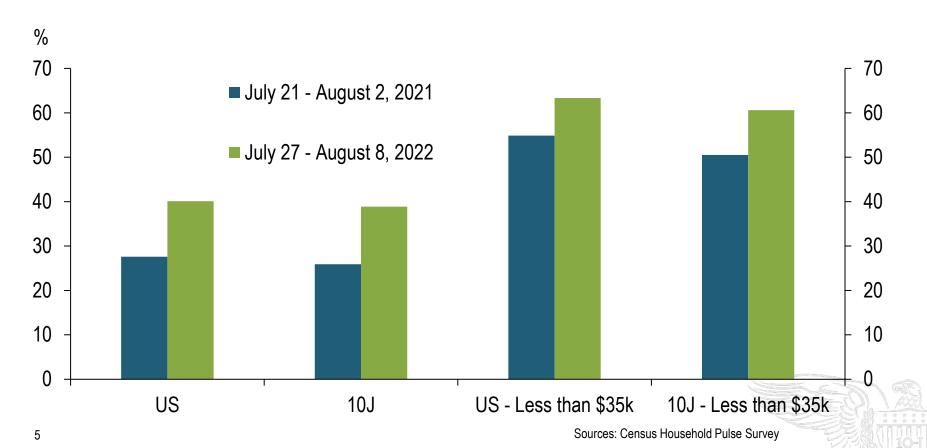
#### Inflation remains elevated and broad-based.



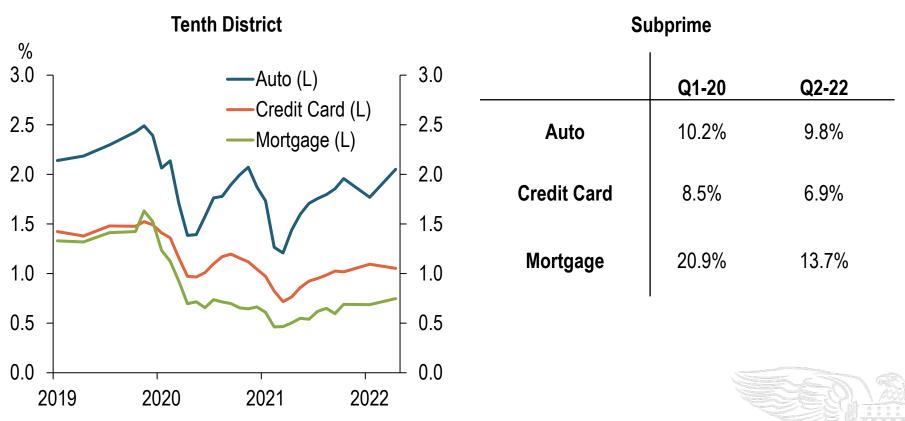
#### Low-income households are more exposed to food inflation.



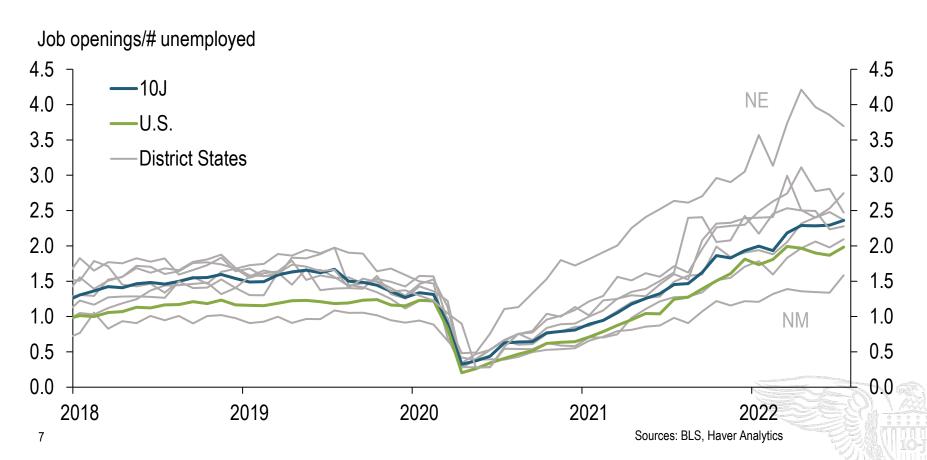
### More households report difficulty paying for usual household expenses.



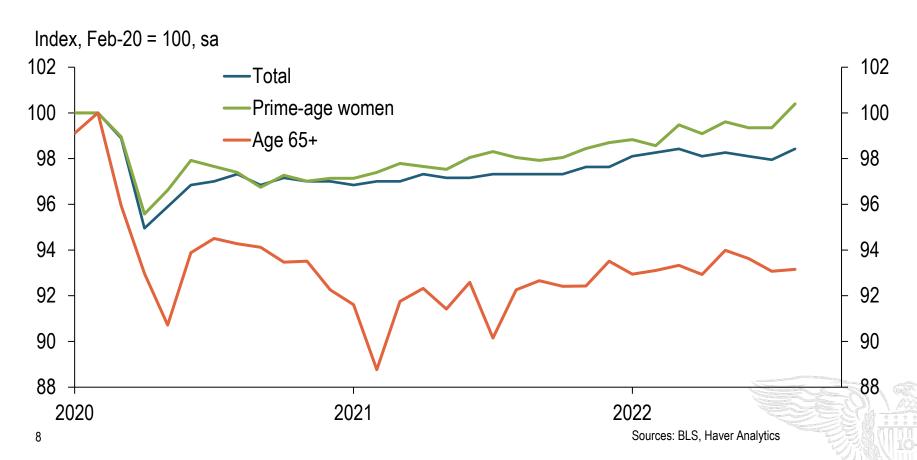
### Delinquency rates on consumer debt are near pre-pandemic levels.



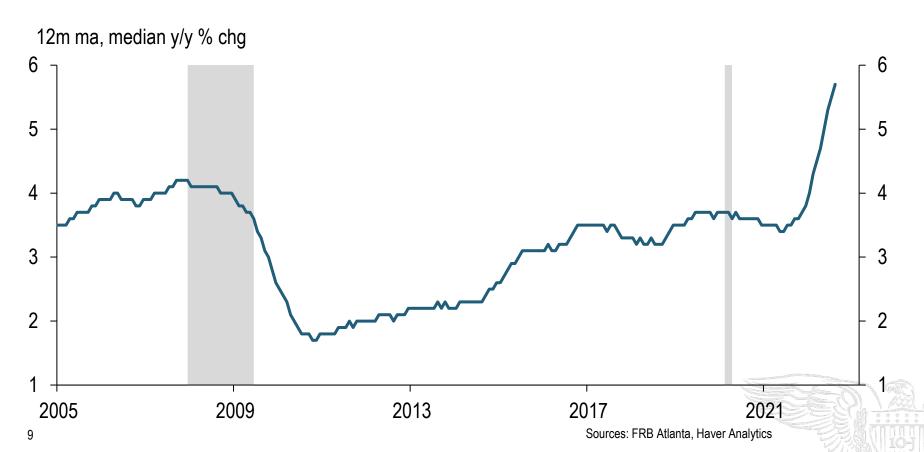
# There are twice as many job openings as unemployed workers.



## Labor force participation has not fully recovered.

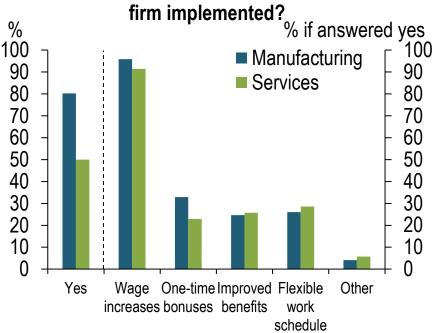


#### The imbalance in the labor market has caused faster wage growth.

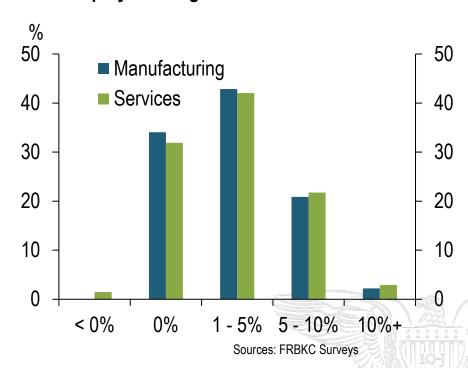


### Many contacts report adjusting compensation due to inflation.

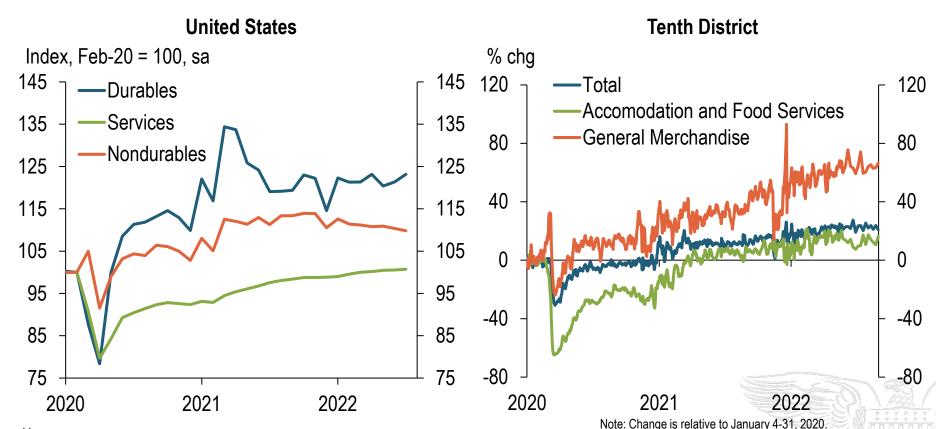
Did you adjust employees' compensation due to inflation during this year? If yes, what has your



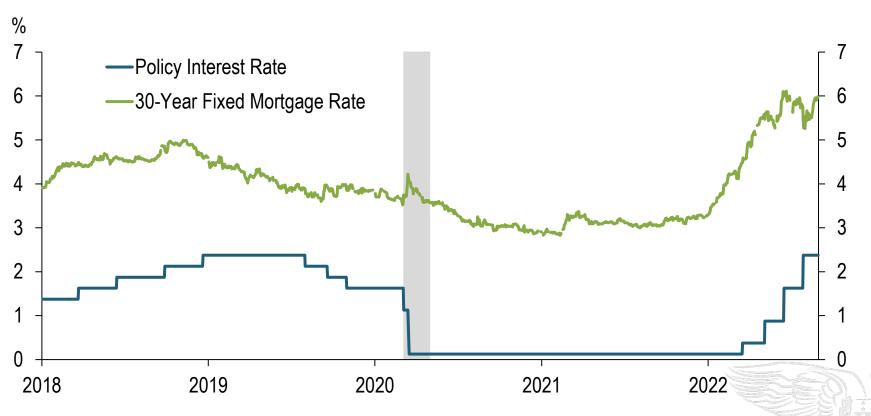
# On average, how much do you intend to change employees' wages for the rest of 2022?



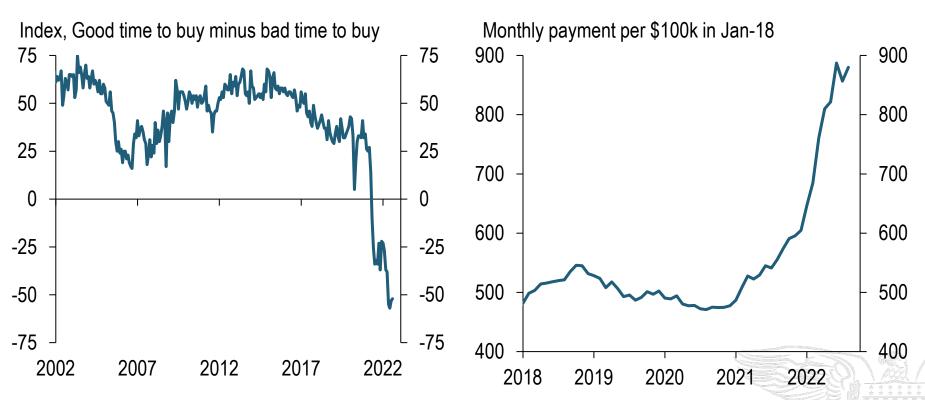
# Higher wages have helped sustain consumer spending.



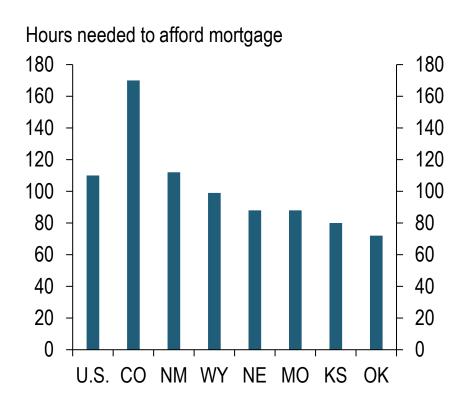
# Interest rates have risen following FOMC action to slow inflation.



#### Consumer sentiment for buying a house has fallen sharply.



#### Nearly three weeks of wages are currently needed to pay mortgage.



	U.S.	10J
Median Hourly Wage (\$ per hour)	22	19
Median Home Value	355,852	295,000
Monthly Mortgage Payment	2,431	2,023
Hours Worked to Afford Mortgage	110	101

#### Home builder sentiment has also dropped, which may limit supply of new homes.



### House price growth and rental rates have slowed but remain high.

