# CFI Inflation Deck

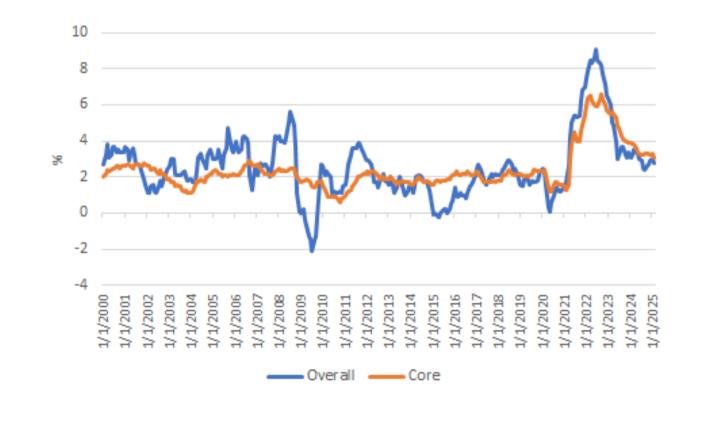
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### Inflation is receding

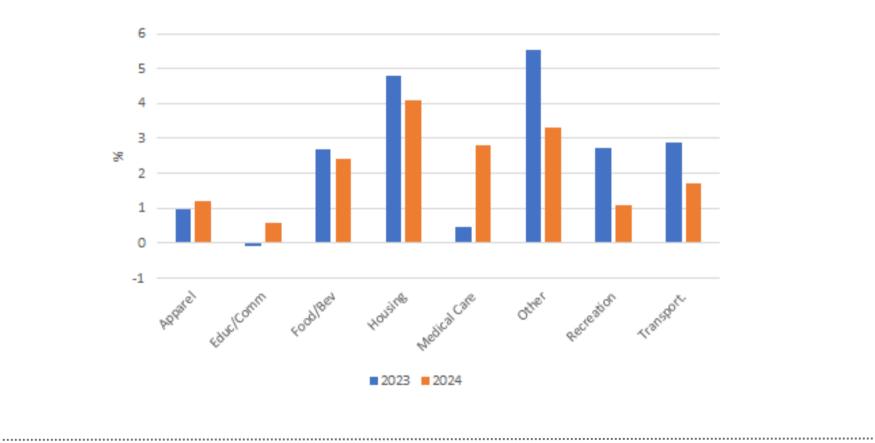
#### Yearly changes in the consumer price index





## Inflation was mixed last year

Yearly changes in the CPI

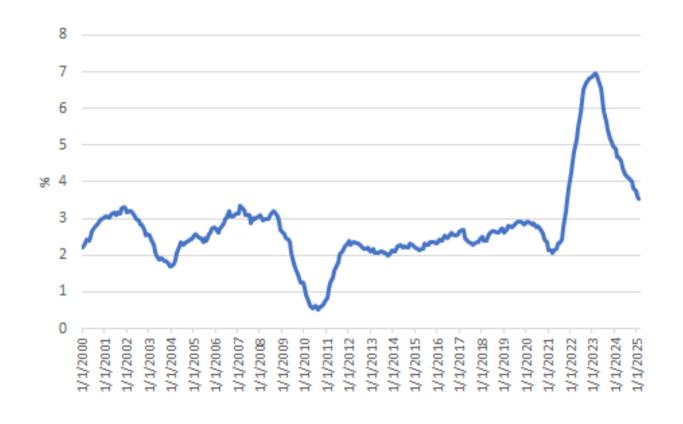


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Inflation is narrowing

#### Yearly changes in the Cleveland Fed's median CPI

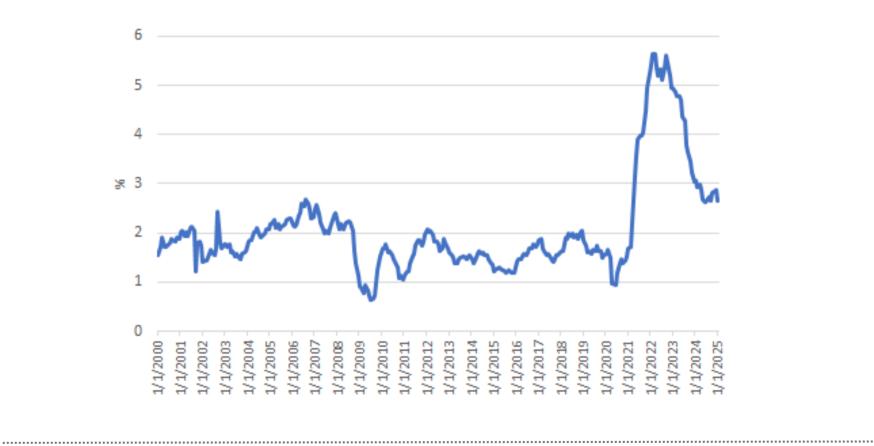


Source: Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland



## The Fed's preferred inflation measure is moderating

#### Yearly changes in the core PCE price index

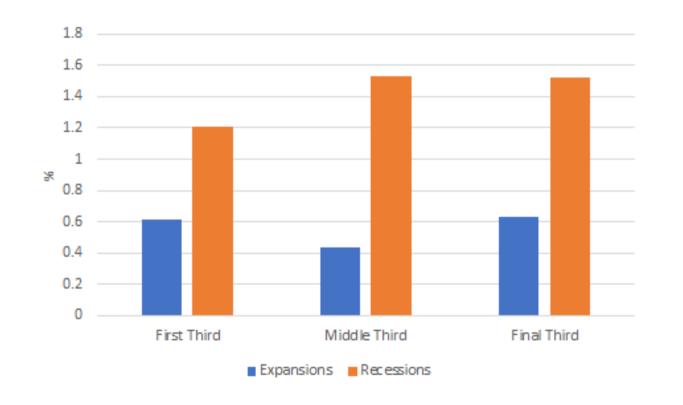


Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis



## The CPI/PCE spread widens in recessions

Average spread between the core CPI and core PCE inflation rates across the business cycle



Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis, Bureau of Labor Statistics



## Wholesale inflation is edging higher

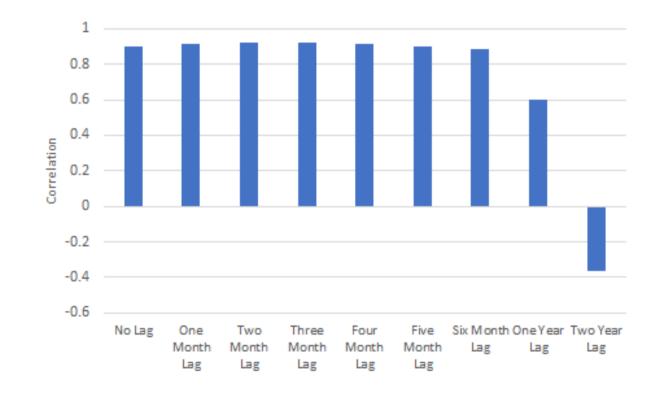
#### Yearly changes in the producer price index





## Retail prices closely follow wholesale prices

#### Correlations between yearly changes in the core consumer and producer price indices



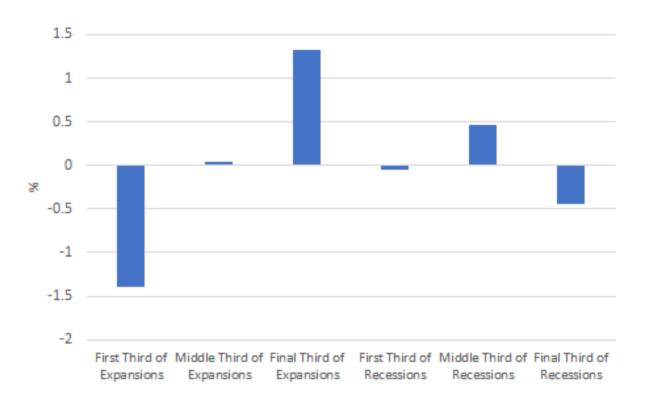
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## Inflation is a lagging indicator

#### Average changes in the core CPI inflation rate across the business cycle

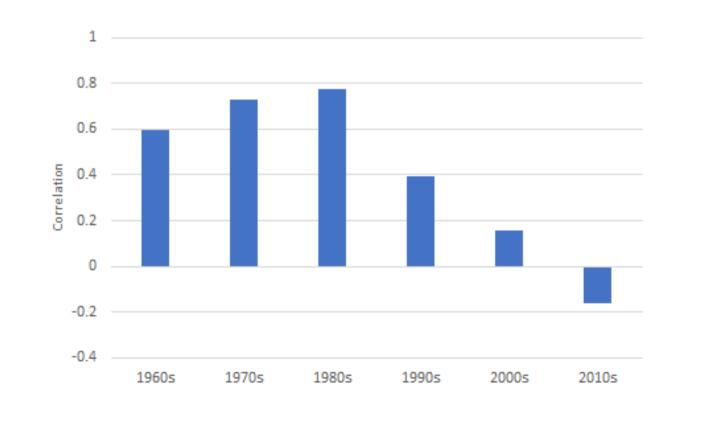
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### The influence of energy prices has waned

Correlations between yearly changes in energy and non-energy consumer prices

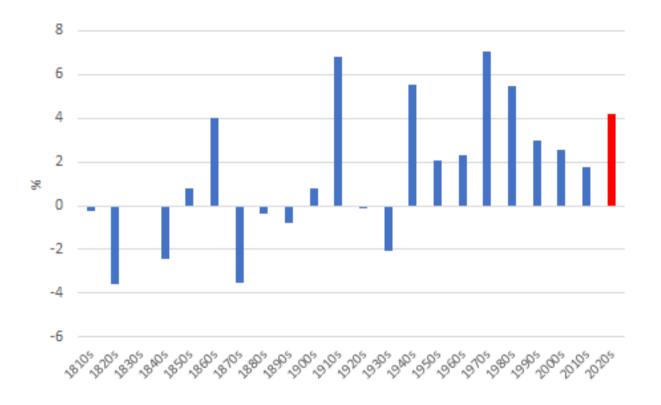


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## Recent inflation has been among the highest in U.S. history

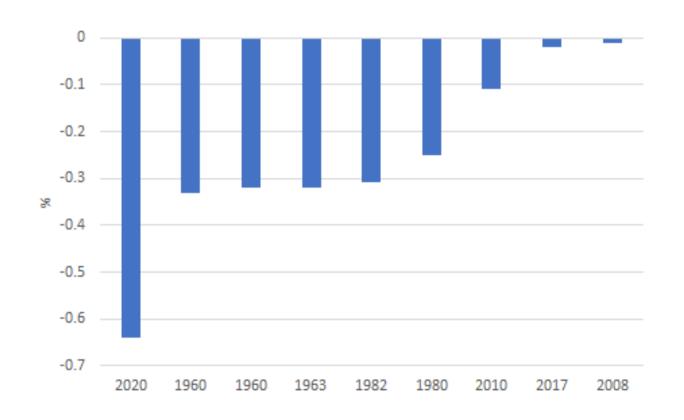
Annualized changes in consumer prices by decade





#### Declines in consumer prices are rare

Largest declines in the core consumer price index

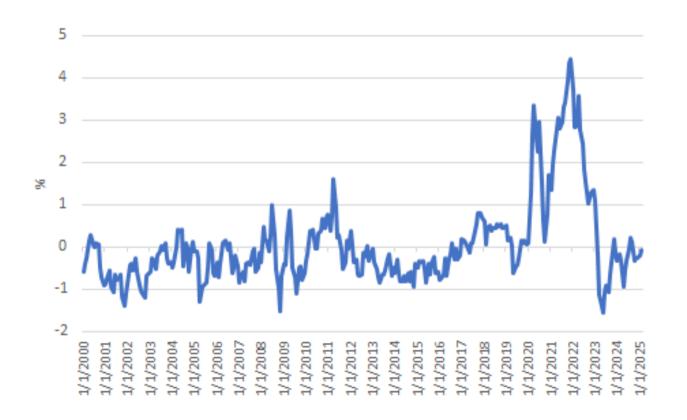


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## Supply chain pressures are ticking up

#### The global supply chain pressure index



Source: Federal Reserve Bank of New York

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### More small businesses are raising prices

#### The NFIB's higher prices index



Source: National Federation of Independent Business



## Inflation expectations have perked up again

#### Household three-year inflation expectations



Source: Federal Reserve Bank of New York