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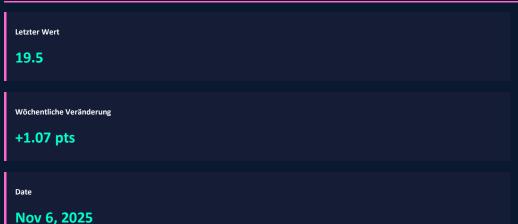
Wöchentlicher Wirtschafts- und Marktüberblick

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VIX: Volatilität bleibt gedämpft



Das Angstbarometer verzeichnete einen leichten Anstieg but remains below 20-point threshold, indicating market stability



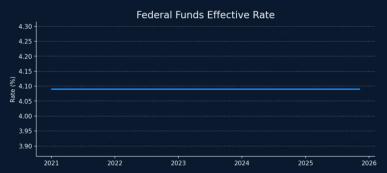
Low VIX levels support <u>risk-on sentiment</u> among investors. The recent uptick, while modest, warrants monitoring as it could signal underlying nervousness ahead of key central bank decisions. The index remains below the <u>critical 20-point threshold</u>, suggesting markets are pricing in a benign economic scenario with limited tail risks.

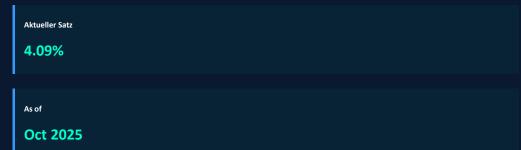


Federal Funds Rate: Politischer Kurs



The Fed's policy rate remains elevated as the central bank continues its fight against inflation





The current rate level is restrictive, designed to cool aggregate demand and bring inflation back to the Fed's 2% target. The elevated rate reflects the central bank's commitment to price stability. Future policy moves will be highly dependent on incoming inflation and employment data, with market participants closely monitoring economic indicators for signals of potential rate adjustments.

Treasury Yields: Die Yield Curve



The 10Y-2Y spread continues to fluctuate with slight steepening, indicating market expectations for Fed policy

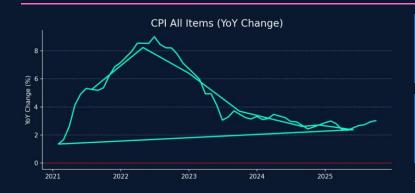


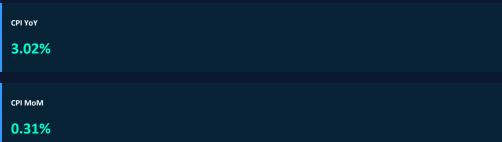
The curve remains inverted or near-inverted, a historical indicator of potential future economic slowdown. The recent steepening is marginal but suggests market participants are pricing in a less aggressive Fed. As inflation moderates, expectations for rate cuts in 2026 are increasing, which typically steepens the curve as long-term rates decline less than short-term rates.

CPI: Die Inflationsmoderation hält an



The Consumer Price Index shows continued trend of disinflation, moving closer to Fed targets





The headline inflation rate continues its **gradual descent** toward the Federal Reserve's 2% target. While the pace of disinflation has slowed, the overall trend remains **positive**. The index is now approximately 150 basis points above the Fed's long-term objective.

Key Concerns

Sticky services inflation and energy price volatility remain upside risks. Core inflation (ex-food and energy) at 3.03% suggests underlying price pressures persist despite headline moderation.

Core PCE: Der bevorzugte Indikator der Fed



Core Personal Consumption Expenditures inflation shows gradual decline, providing room for policy pause

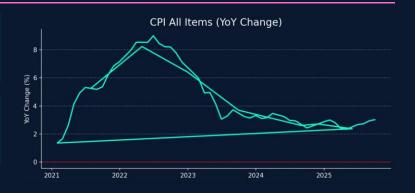


2.91%

Core PCE MoM

0.23%

The deceleration in core inflation is positive, providing the Federal Reserve with room to pause rate hikes. The focus shifts to maintaining this trend. Core PCE, which excludes volatile food and energy prices, is the Fed's preferred inflation measure. The gradual decline suggests underlying inflation pressures are easing, though services inflation remains sticky and warrants continued monitoring.



Real GDP: Solide Wachstumsdynamik



The US economy continues to expand at healthy pace, defying recession forecasts with strong consumer spending

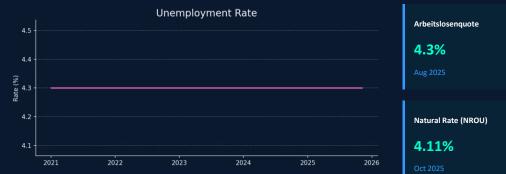


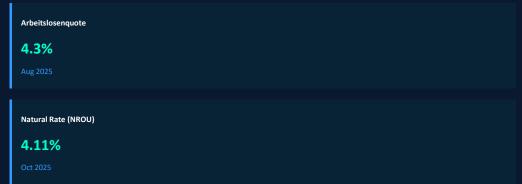
Strong consumer spending and government investment are the primary drivers of current growth. The economy has defied recession forecasts, demonstrating resilience despite elevated interest rates. The challenge ahead is sustaining this growth without reigniting inflation. Continued moderation in price pressures will be essential for maintaining the current expansion trajectory.

Arbeitslosenquote: Immer noch nahe historischen Tiefstständen



The labor market remains tight, supporting wage growth but also contributing to inflationary pressures



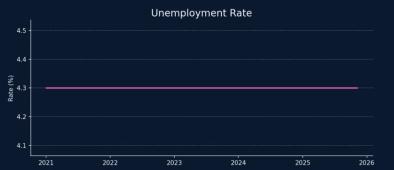


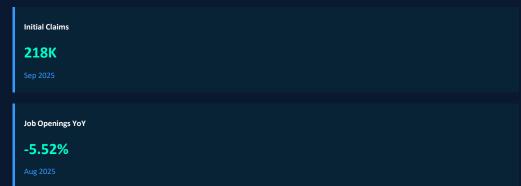
The slight increase from previous lows is a welcome sign for the Federal Reserve, suggesting a gradual rebalancing of the labor market. At 4.3%, unemployment remains historically low, indicating a tight labor market that continues to support wage growth. However, this tightness also contributes to persistent inflationary pressures, as employers compete for scarce workers. The proximity to the natural rate of unemployment (NROU) suggests the labor market is approaching equilibrium.

Labor Market: Claims und Openings



Initial Jobless Claims remain low while Job Openings show decline, indicating labor market rebalancing





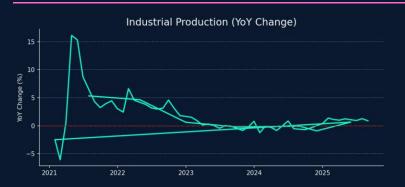
The decline in Job Openings (JTSJOL) suggests cooling demand for labor, a necessary condition for sustained disinflation. Initial Claims remain historically low, indicating the labor market has not yet experienced significant deterioration. This combination reflects a gradual rebalancing where supply and demand are moving toward equilibrium, reducing wage pressures that have contributed to inflation. The Fed views this as a positive development supporting its inflation-fighting efforts.

Industrial Production: Moderate Expansion



Industrial Production shows slight year-over-year increase, indicating cautious but steady manufacturing activity

Cautious





The manufacturing sector is navigating global headwinds and higher interest rates with resilience, though growth remains modest. The slight year-over-year increase reflects steady but cautious activity. Future performance hinges on global demand recovery and inventory normalization. Supply chain stabilization and potential Fed rate cuts could provide tailwinds for the sector in coming quarters.

Retail Sales: Widerstandsfähiger Verbraucher



Retail Sales continue to grow year-over-year, demonstrating the consumer's ability to absorb higher prices



Retail Sales YoY

4.77%

As of

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Consumer resilience is a key pillar of the current economic expansion. The continued strength in retail sales demonstrates that households are maintaining purchasing power despite higher prices and elevated interest rates. This spending momentum has been crucial in supporting overall economic growth and offsetting weakness in other sectors.

Sustainability Risks

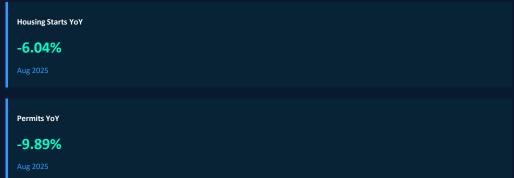
Reliance on credit and depletion of excess savings accumulated during the pandemic remain concerns. Consumer debt levels are elevated, and future spending could moderate if labor market conditions deteriorate.

Housing Market: Verlangsamung der Aktivität



Housing Starts and Permits show year-over-year contraction due to elevated mortgage rates





The housing market is the most rate-sensitive sector of the economy. Both Housing Starts and Building Permits show clear year-over-year contraction, reflecting the impact of elevated mortgage rates on affordability. The decline in permits is particularly significant, as it signals reduced future construction activity.

Rate Sensitivity

The slowdown is expected to continue until mortgage rates stabilize or decline. Any Fed rate cuts in 2026 could provide relief to the sector, but near-term headwinds remain substantial.

Housing Market: Preisstabilität



Despite activity drop, S&P/Case-Shiller Home Price Index shows modest year-over-year growth

S&P/Case-Shiller YoY

1.51%

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Trend

Stable

Modest Grow

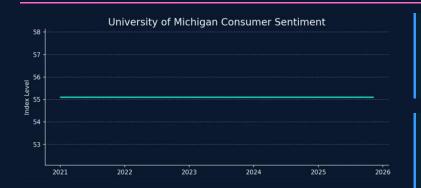
Limited inventory continues to support home prices, preventing a sharp correction despite the slowdown in activity. The modest year-over-year growth reflects a market in transition, where supply constraints are offsetting the demand weakness from higher mortgage rates. This price stability suggests that sellers are reluctant to list properties at lower prices, maintaining a structural floor under valuations in many markets.

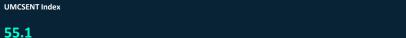


Consumer Sentiment: Vorsichtiger Optimismus



University of Michigan Consumer Sentiment Index shows stabilization, reflecting ongoing economic concerns





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Trend

Stabilizing

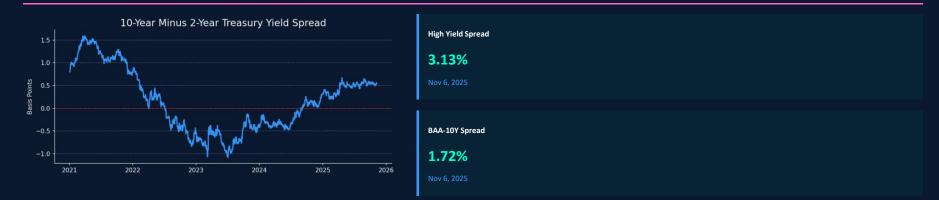
Caution

Consumer sentiment remains historically low but has stabilized in recent months, suggesting households have adapted to the current economic environment. The index reflects ongoing concerns about inflation, employment security, and interest rates. Future improvements depend critically on sustained disinflation and a strong labor market. As inflation moderates and real wages recover, consumer confidence should gradually improve from current depressed levels.

Credit Markets: Spreads bleiben eng



High Yield and BAA spreads remain at manageable levels, indicating low perceived credit risk



Tight spreads indicate **low perceived credit risk**, suggesting the market is not pricing in a severe recession scenario. Credit conditions remain accommodative, with investors willing to take on corporate credit exposure. This reflects confidence in the economic outlook and corporate earnings resilience. However, spreads can widen quickly if economic data deteriorates or geopolitical risks escalate.