The labor market added 187,000 jobs in August, while the unemployment rate increased to 3.8%. The labor force participation rate increased to 62.8%, as continued job growth drew more people off the sidelines and back into work. Wage growth softened slightly in August to 4.3% annual growth.

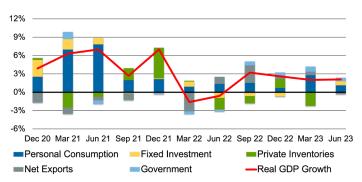
U.S. REAL GDP GROWTH

| Q2 2022 | Q3 2022 | Q4 2022 | Q1 2023 | Q2 2023 |
|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| -0.6% | 3.2% | 2.6% | 2.0% | 2.1% |

Source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis

GDP GROWTH EXPANDS IN SECOND QUARTER

Q2 2023 Real Gross Domestic Product: 2.1%



Source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis

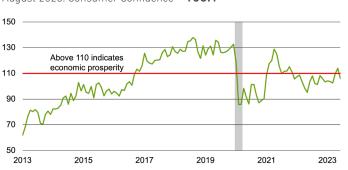
INDUSTRY OVERVIEW

July 2023 - August 2023

| SUPERSECTORS | 1-Month Total Change | 1-Month % Change |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|
| Mining & Logging | -2,000 | -0.3% |
| Construction | 22,000 | 0.3% |
| Manufacturing | 16,000 | 0.1% |
| Trade, Trans., & Utilities | -20,000 | -0.1% |
| Information | -15,000 | -0.5% |
| Financial Activities | 4,000 | 0.0% |
| Professional & Business Services | 19,000 | 0.1% |
| Education & Health Services | 102,000 | 0.4% |
| Leisure & Hospitality | 40,000 | 0.2% |
| Other Services | 13,000 | 0.2% |
| Government | 8,000 | 0.0% |

CONSUMER CONFIDENCE DROPS IN AUGUST

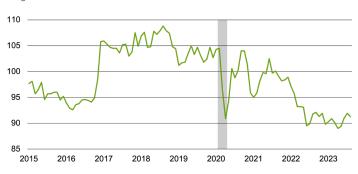
August 2023: Consumer Confidence = **106.1**



Source: The Conference Board

SMALL BUSINESS OPTIMISM

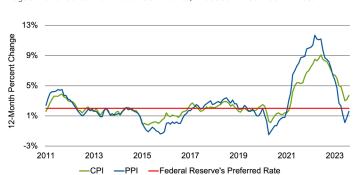
August 2023: NFIB Small Business Index = **91.3**



Source: National Federation of Independent Business

INFLATION TICKS UP AGAIN IN AUGUST

August 2023: Consumer Price Index = 3.7%; Producer Price Index = 1.6%

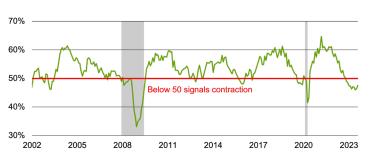


Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

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MANUFACTURING INDEX INDICATES CONTRACTION

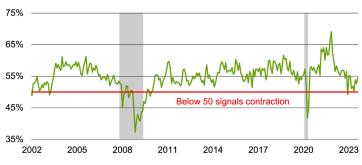
August 2023: ISM Manufacturing Index = 47.6%



Source: Institute for Supply Management

SERVICES INDEX CONTINUES TO INCREASE

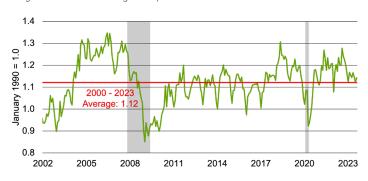
August 2023: ISM Services Index = 54.5%



Source: Institute for Supply Management

FREIGHT SHIPMENT INDEX INCREASES IN AUGUST

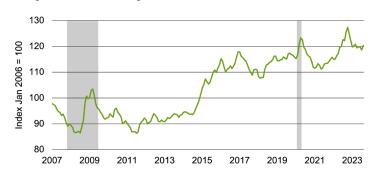
August 2023: Cass Freight Shipment Index = 1.143



Source: Cass Information Systems

TRADE-WEIGHTED DOLLAR INDEX

August 2023: Trade-weighted Dollar Index = 120.3787



Source: Federal Reserve Economic Data

COMMODITIES AND FUTURES

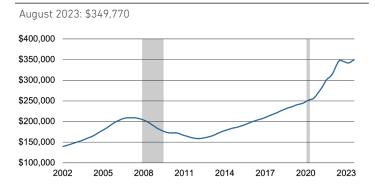
| | As of September 15, 2023 | Yearly Change |
|-------------|--------------------------|---------------|
| Crude Oil | 90.77 | 6.7% |
| Copper [cu] | 3.8010 | 8.9% |
| Live Cattle | 186.925 | +28.4% |
| Lumber 🏂 | 500.50 | -14.8% |

Source: Wall Street Journal

| | As of September 15, 2023 | Yearly Change |
|--------|--------------------------|---------------|
| Gold | 1946.20 | +16.0% |
| Silver | 23.386 | +21.4% |
| Corn | \$ 476.25 | -29.7% |
| Wheat | 604.25 | -28.5% |

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TYPICAL U.S. HOME VALUE MODERATES



Source: Zillow Home Value Index

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