



ECONOMIC SNAPSHOT

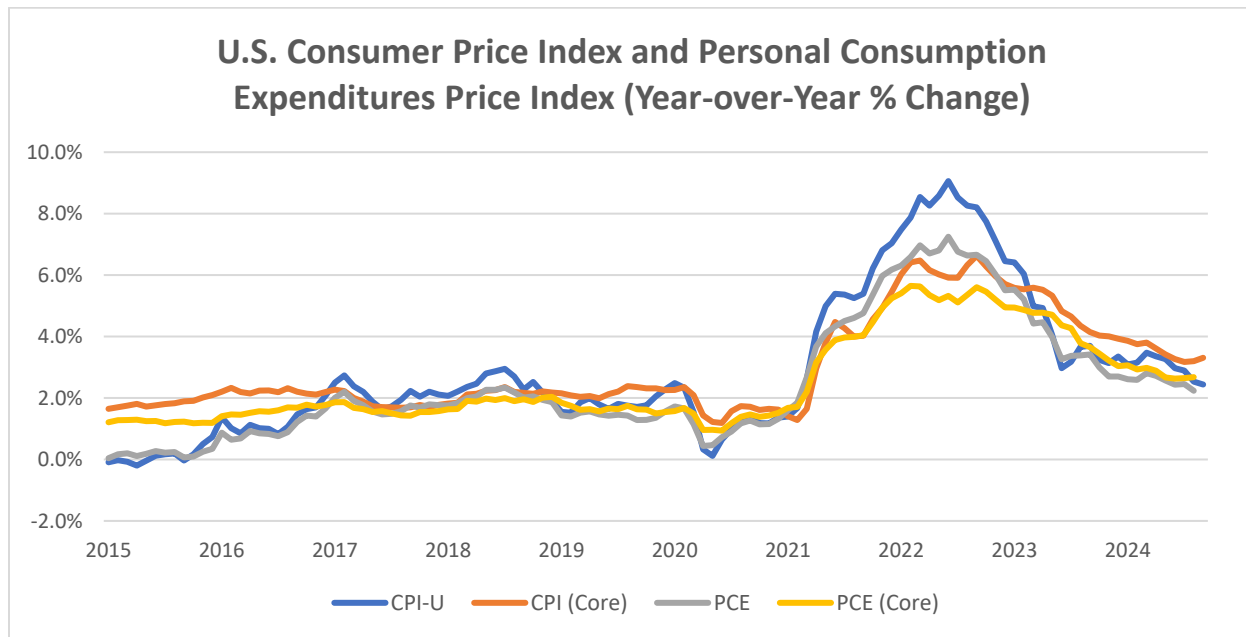
OCTOBER 2024 INFLATION AND INTEREST RATES

Date: October 2024

Analyst: Ben Gielczyk

Consumer Price Index (CPI) and Personal Consumption Expenditures (PCE) Index

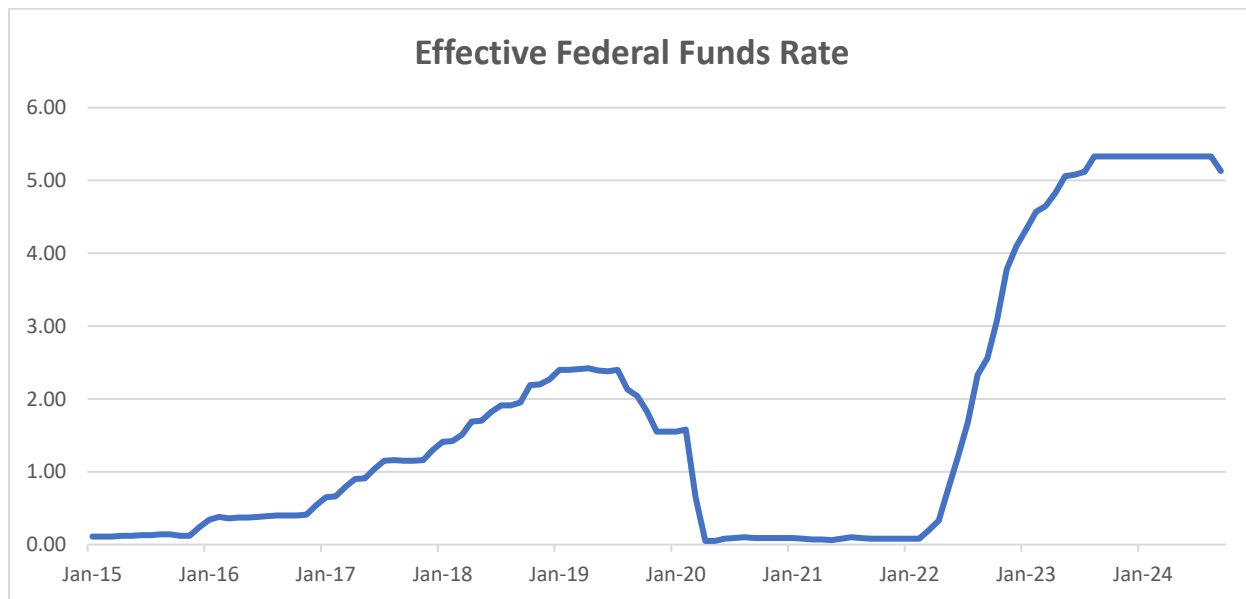
Inflation resumed its downward trend in August and September 2024. On a year-over-year basis, the CPI rose **2.4%**, down from 2.5% in August, and the Core CPI (excluding food and energy) rose **3.3%**, slightly up from 3.2% in August. The PCE index rose **2.2%** and the core PCE rose **2.7%** in August 2024.



Sources: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics and Bureau of Economic Analysis

Federal Funds Rate

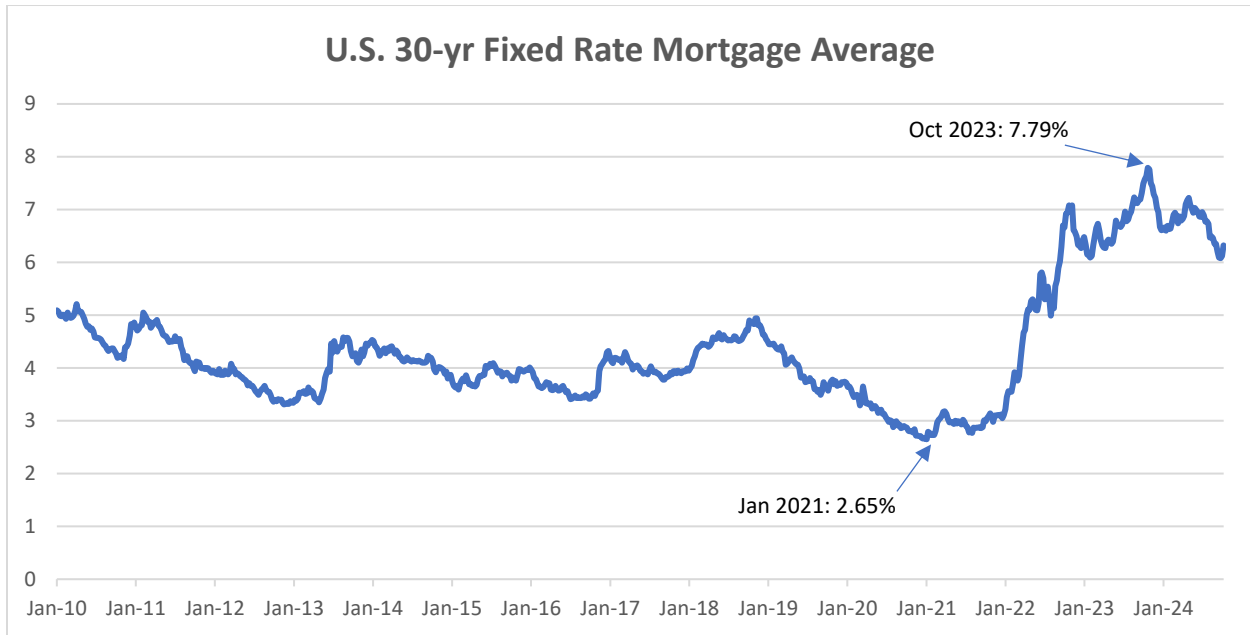
The Federal Reserve reduced the target range by 50 basis points at its September 2024 meeting to a range of **4.75-5.00**, which represented the first change in the federal funds rate since July 2023. *Note: The next Federal Reserve meeting will be November 6-7.*



Source: Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System

Mortgage Rates

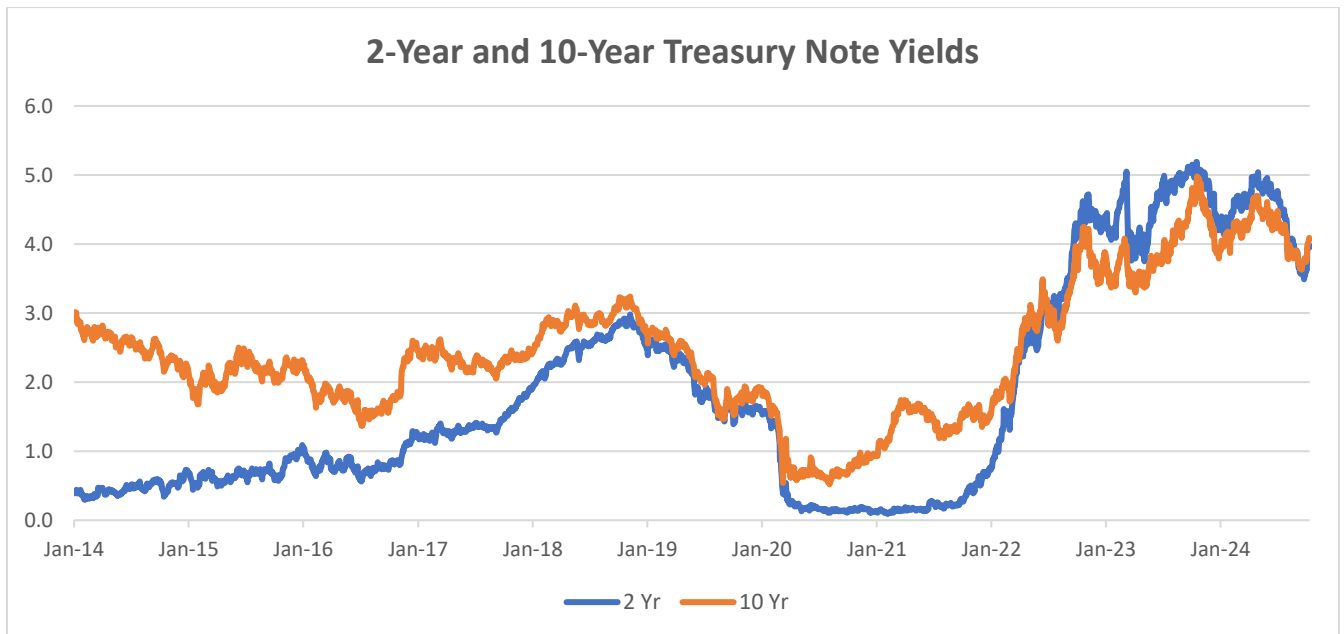
After steadily declining for five months, mortgage rates (30-yr Fixed) reached **6.08%** during the week of September 26, 2024, the lowest rate since September 2022. With a stronger than expected employment report for September, mortgage rates have increased by 24 basis points over the past two weeks, including a 20 basis point increase in the last week (the largest single week increase since April 2024) to the current rate of **6.32%**.



Source: Freddie Mac

U.S. Treasury Note Rates

The 10-year Treasury increased 43 basis points (a basis point is one-hundredth of a percentage point) over the previous month to **4.08%**, which is still down over 50 basis points from the 2024 highs in April. The 2-year Treasury increased 33 basis points to **3.95%** over the same period.



Source: U.S. Department of the Treasury