

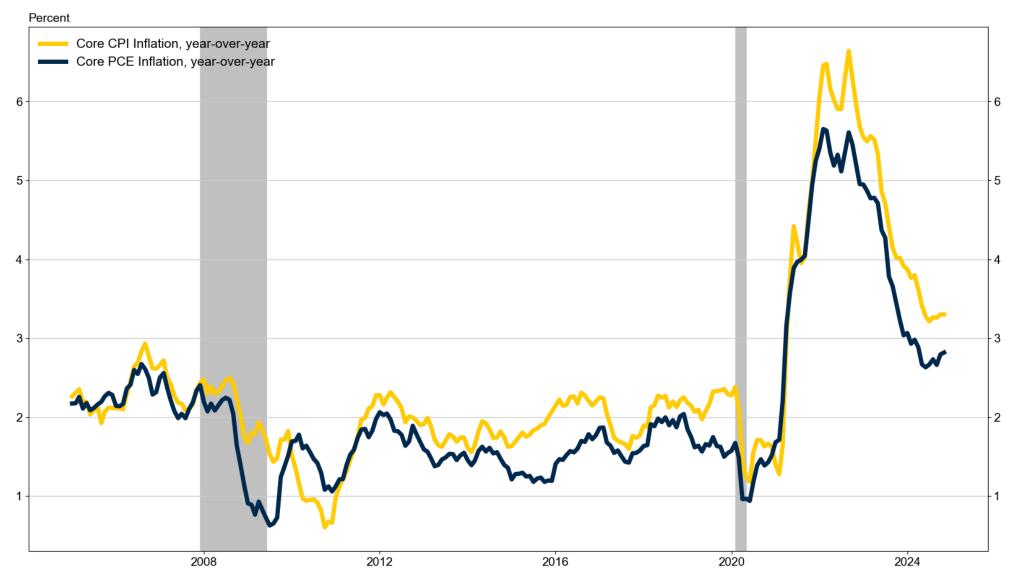
## **Current State of the U.S. Economy**

### **Real GDP Growth Composition**



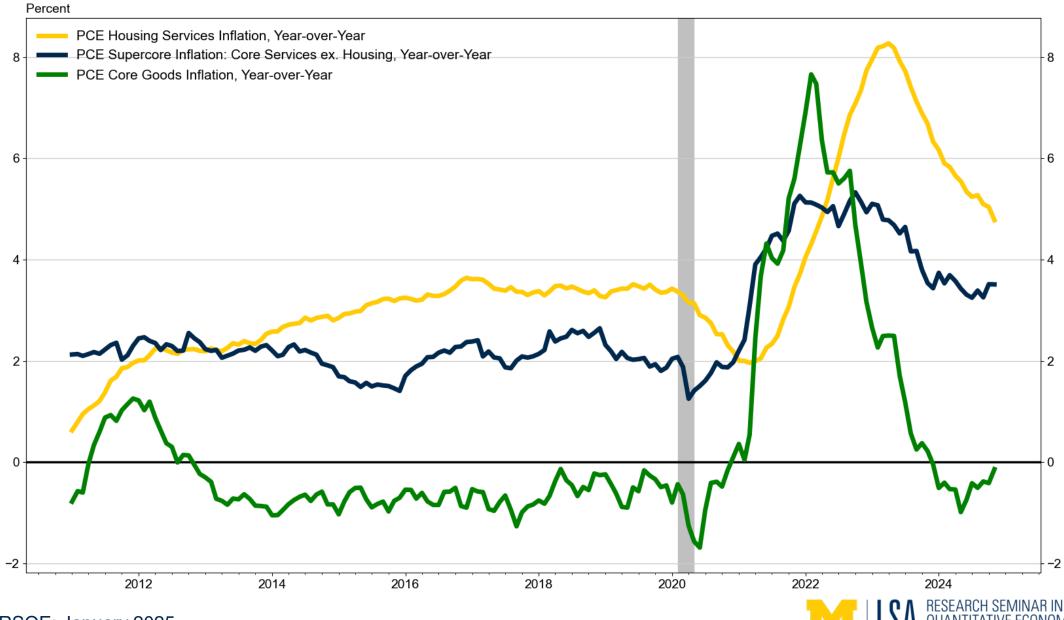


### **Recent Core Inflation**



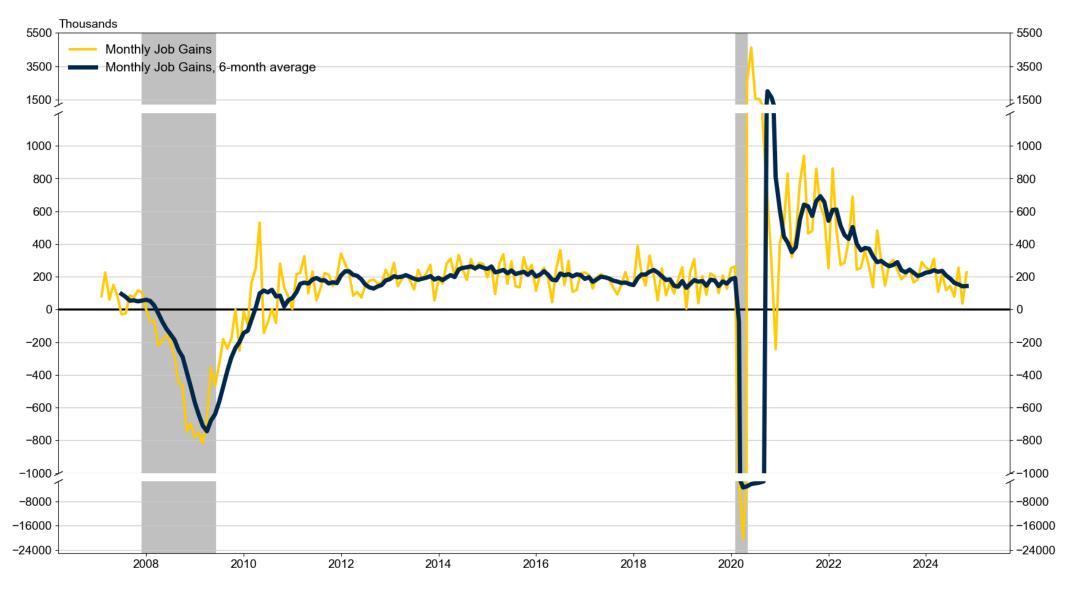


## **PCE Core Inflation Composition**



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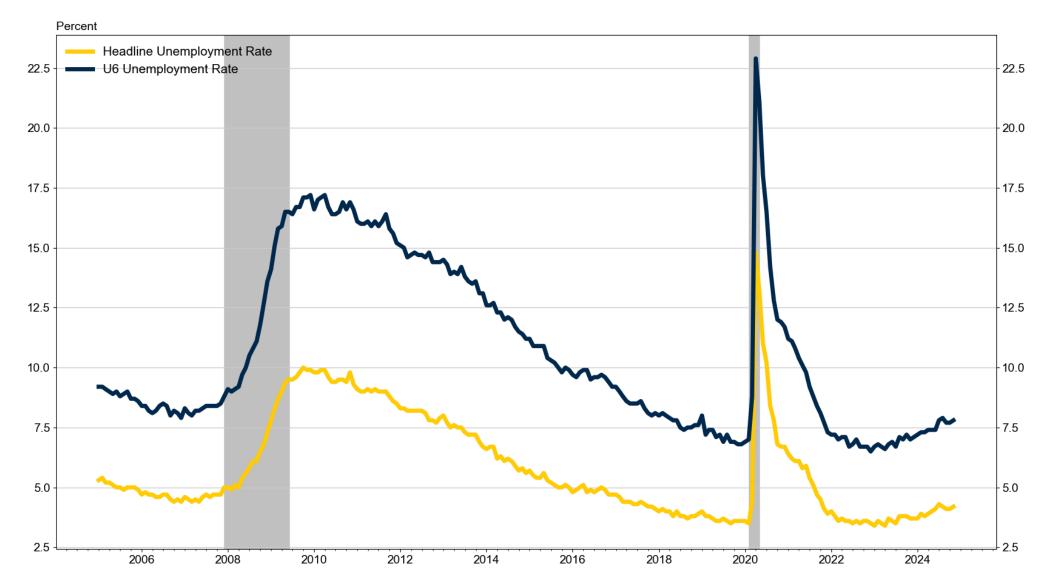
### **Job Market Cooling**



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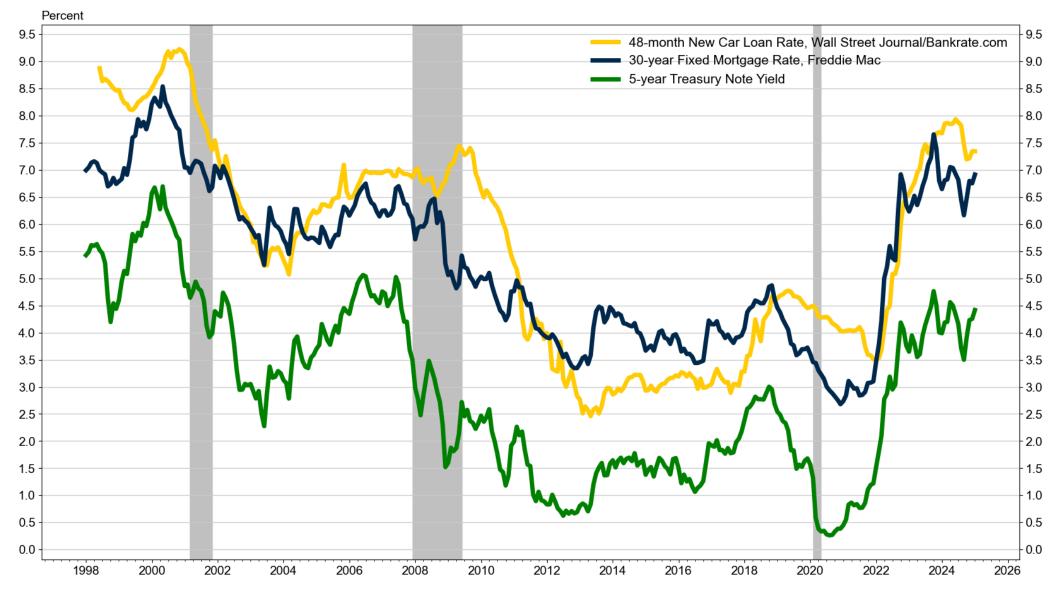
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## **Unemployment Rates Inching Up**



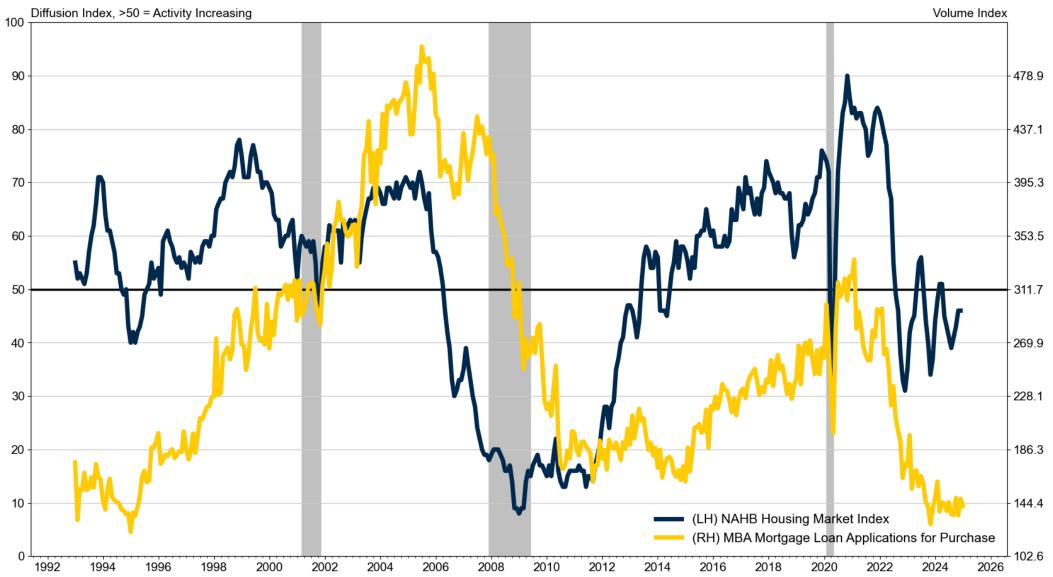


## **Key Interest Rates Remain High**





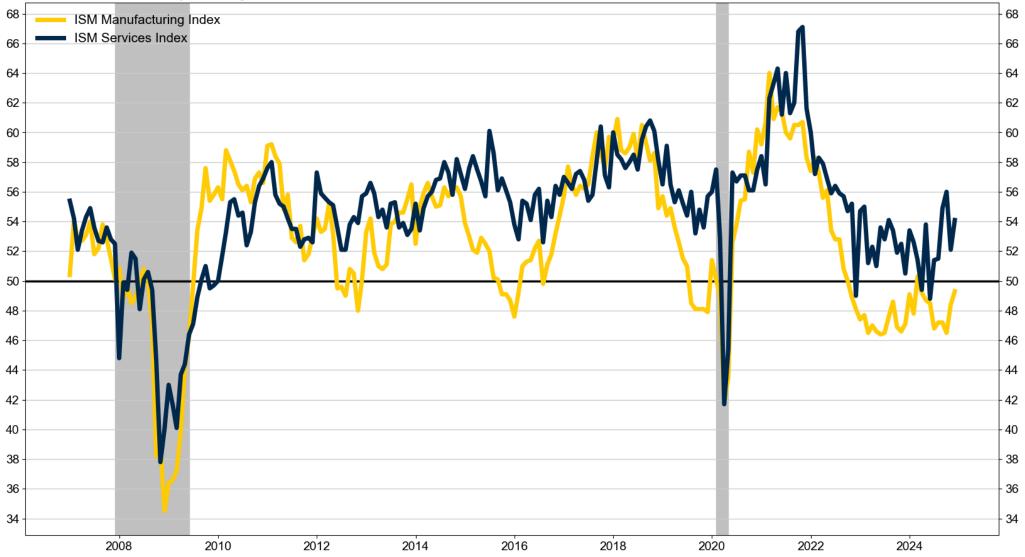
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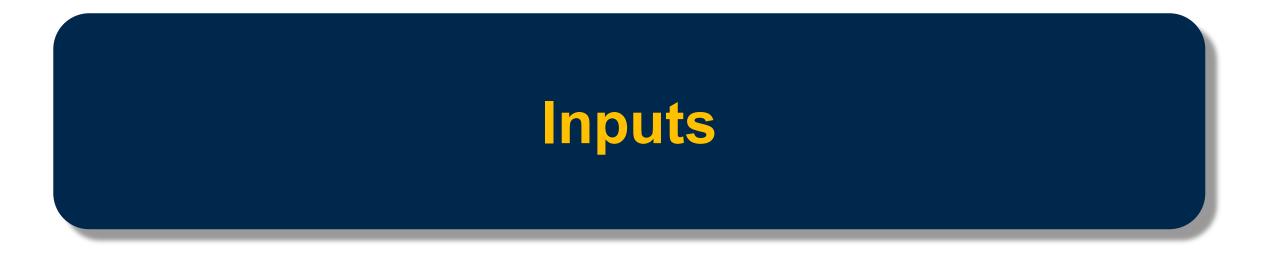


## Institute for Supply Management Diffusion Indices

Diffusion Index, >50 = Activity Increasing







## **Key Policy Implications of the Federal Elections**

- TCJA largely extended (was our baseline already)
- Higher SALT deduction cap
- >15% Corporate rate for domestic manufacturing
- Sizeable tax cut on Social Security benefits, tips, and overtime income
- >\$7,500 EV tax credit gone soon, most IRA provisions expire on schedule
- Tariffs on imports from China will jump in 2026, eventually ~triple
  - Limited retaliation from China through 2026
  - No significant/lasting new tariffs on the rest of the world
- >A deportation program of limited scope



## **Monetary Policy**

>Inflation stopped declining, but downward pressures remain significant

Labor market likely still softening gradually

Fed funds rate range lowered by 100bps since mid-September,

Long-term interest rates up considerably since then, however

>In December, FOMC signaled a slower pace of cuts going forward

• We project the terminal rate range 3.25–3.5%, the Fed gets there by mid-2026

>Uptick of inflation in 2026 due to tariffs/tax cuts, but no Fed action

• One-time effects

• Concerns about negative growth effects of tariffs were important for 2019 rate cuts



### **Fiscal Policy**

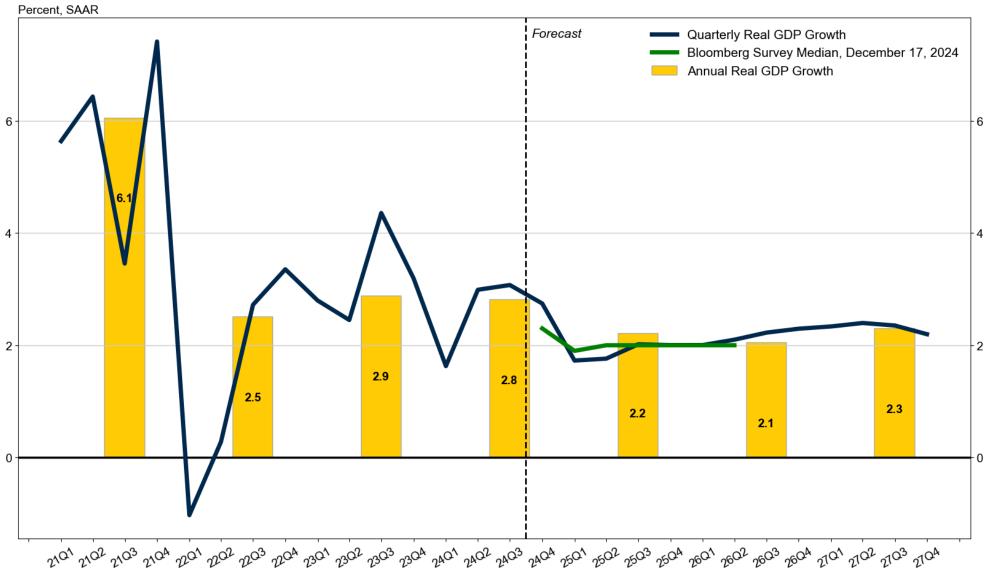
>Slim House majority will prevent major cuts to spending

- >About \$200 billion/year of personal and corporate tax cuts starting in 2026
- Tariff revenues rise by annualized \$86bln between 2026Q1 and 2026Q4
- Strong growth of federal defense expenditures continues
- >Historic deficits outside of the recent pandemic, World War II, the Great Recession
  - Federal NIPA deficit widens to 6.8 percent of GDP in fiscal 2026 and 2027
  - Primary NIPA deficit near 3 percent of GDP





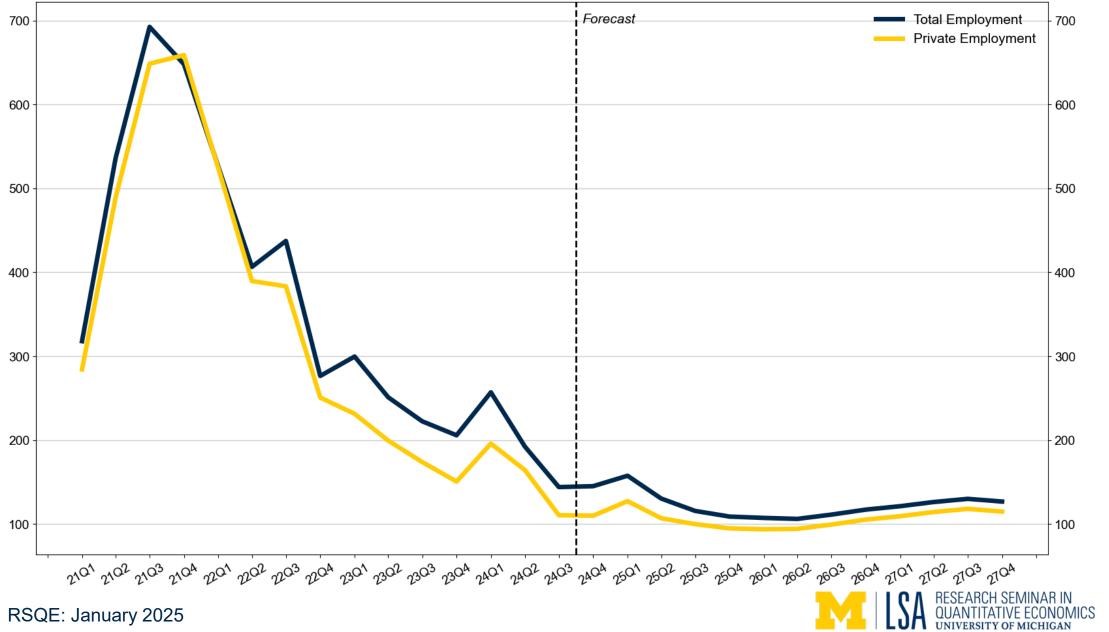
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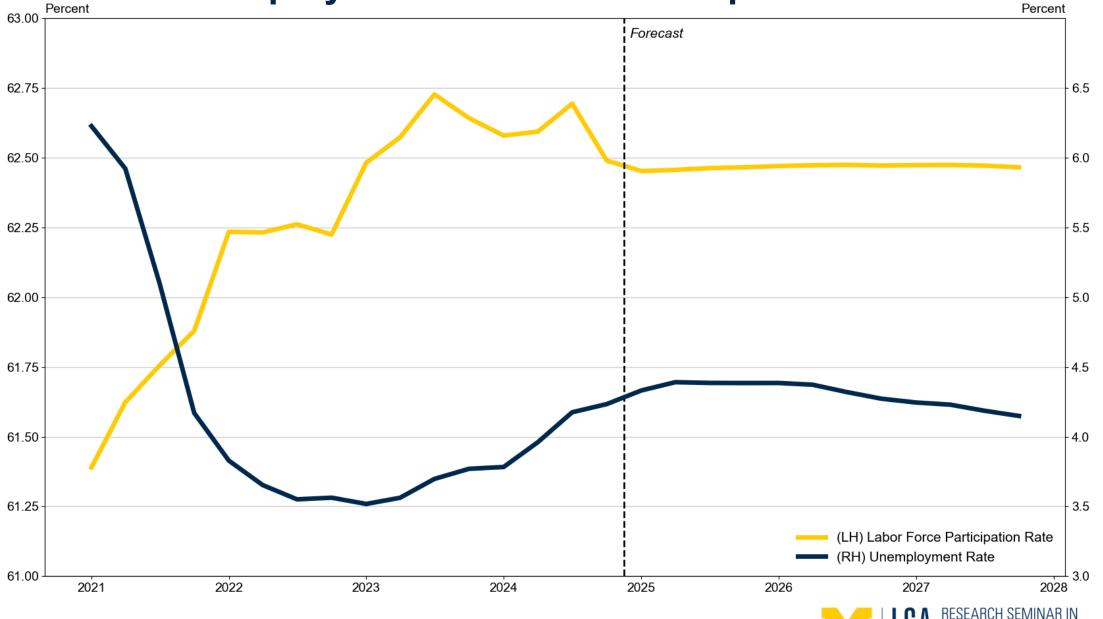


## **Payroll Employment Growth**

Thousands of Jobs per Month, Quarterly Average

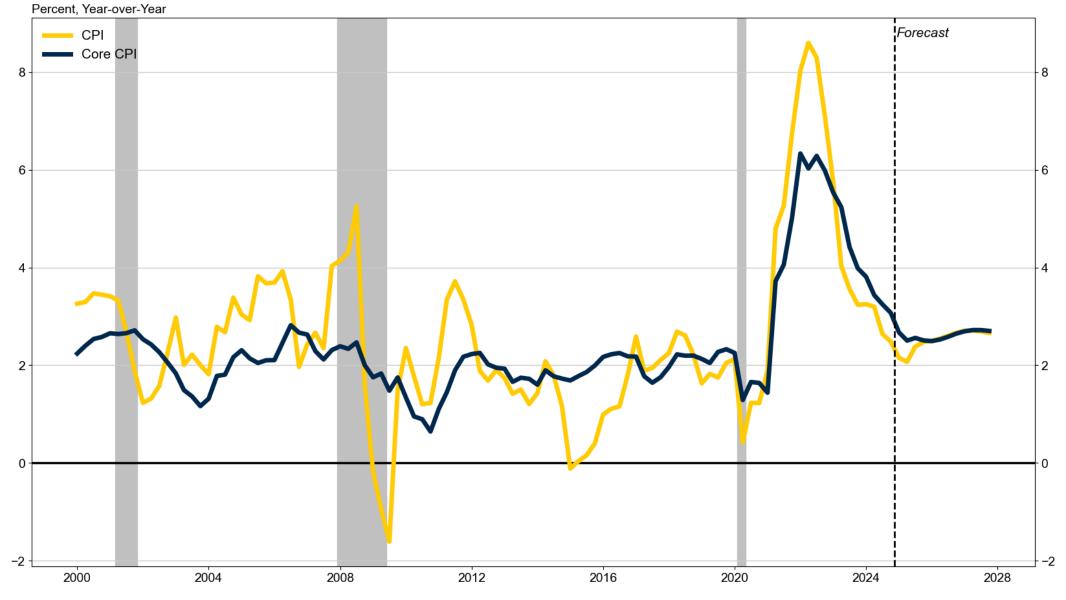


#### **Unemployment Rate and Participation Rate**



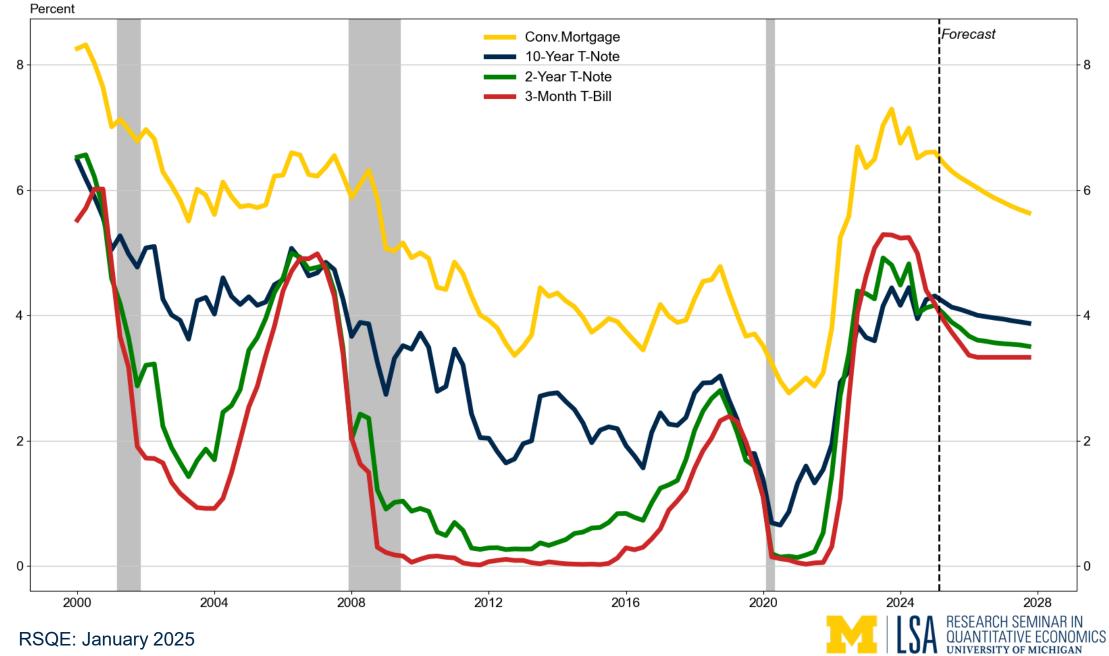
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## **Consumer Price Inflation (CPI-U)**

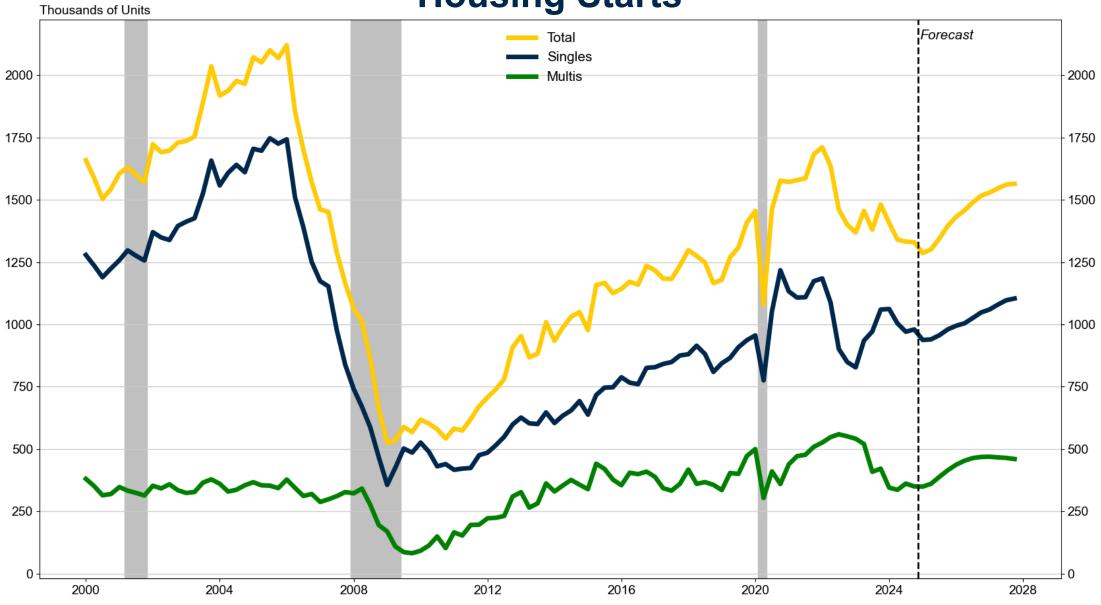




#### **Interest Rates**



### **Housing Starts**



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### Economic Momentum Evaporating

**Policy** 

 Fiscal, Monetary, Foreign/Trade, Immigration, Regulatory

- Geopolitical Situation
- Population Growth
- Productivity



## The Michigan Economic Outlook for 2025–2027

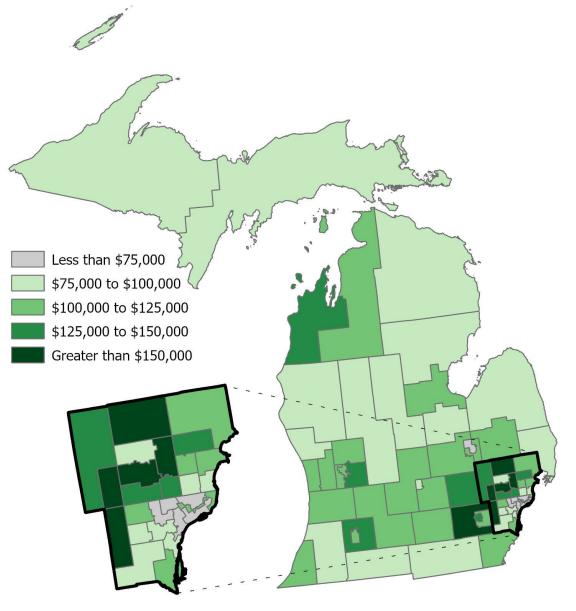


Consensus Revenue Estimating Conference January 10, 2025

## **Research Seminar in Quantitative Economics**

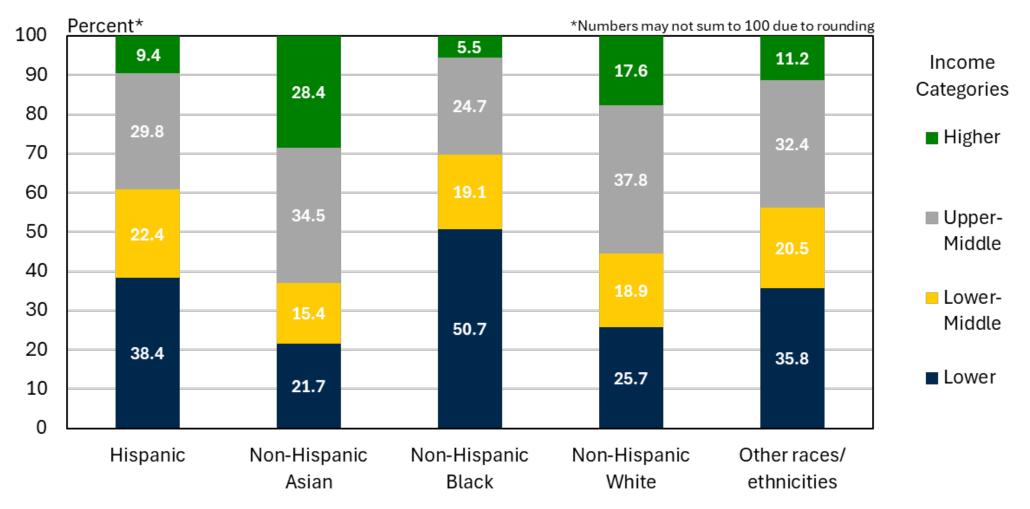
## **Shared Prosperity in Michigan**

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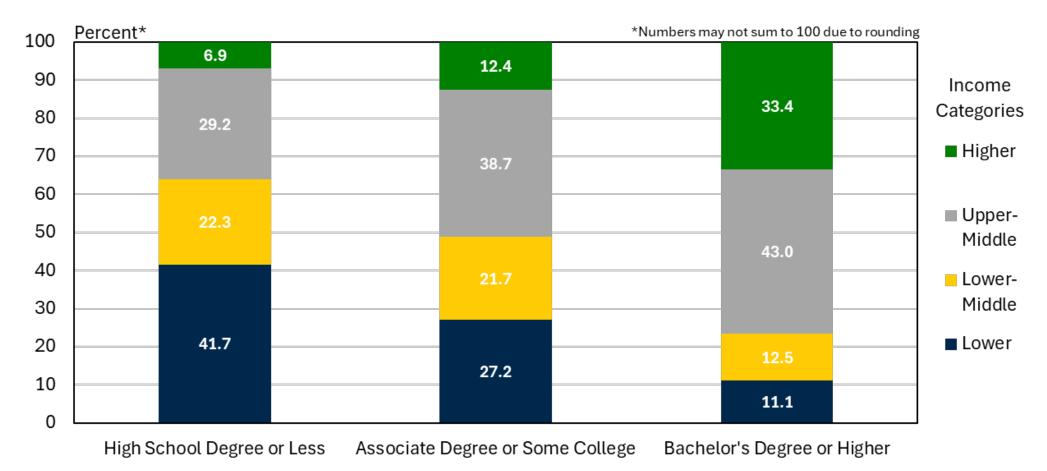
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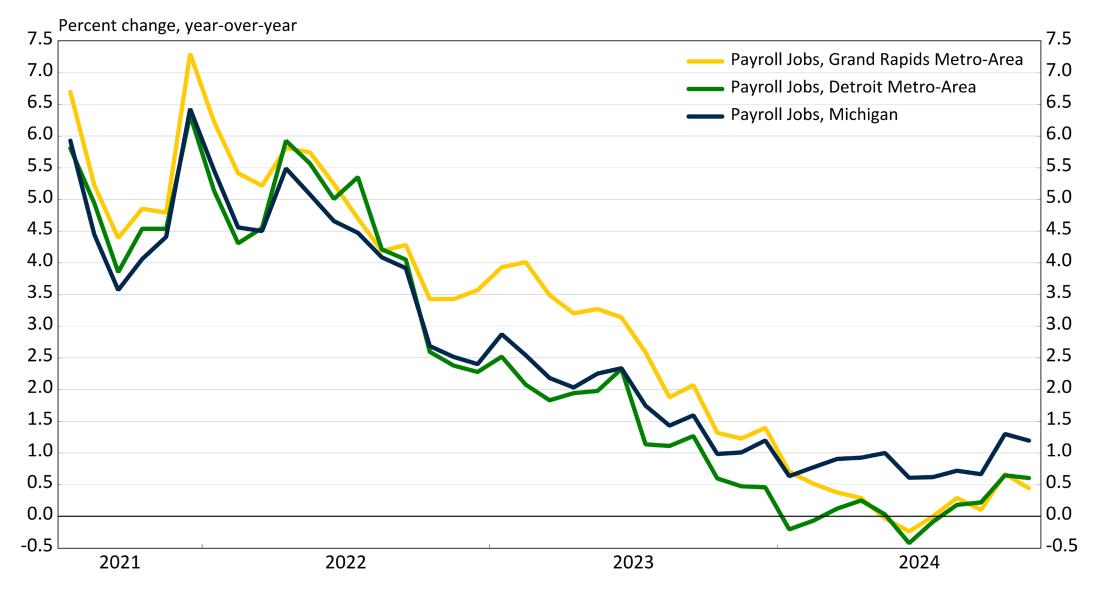


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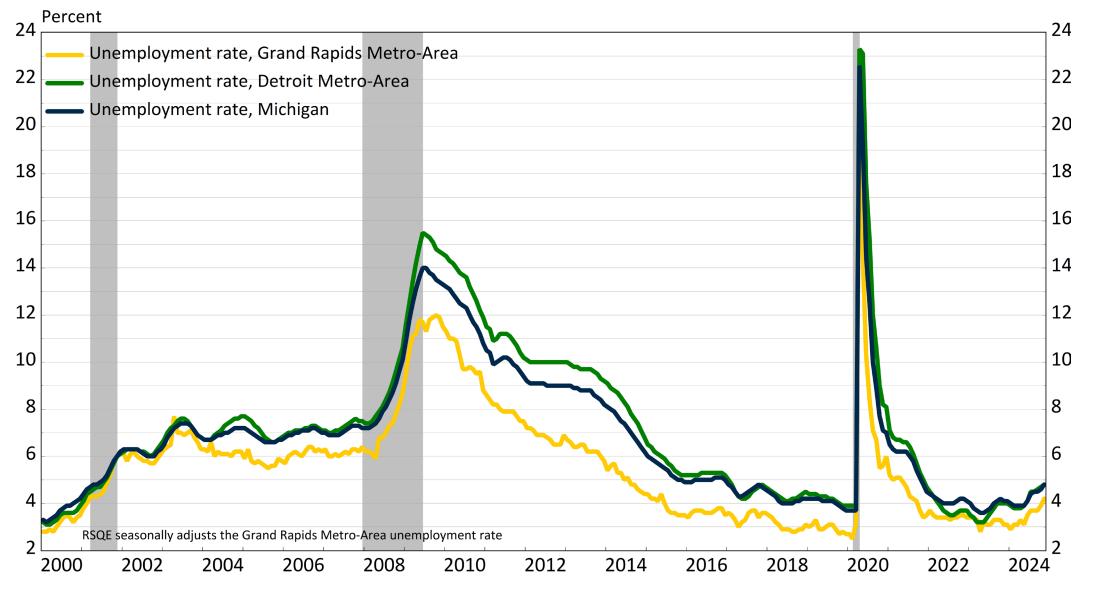
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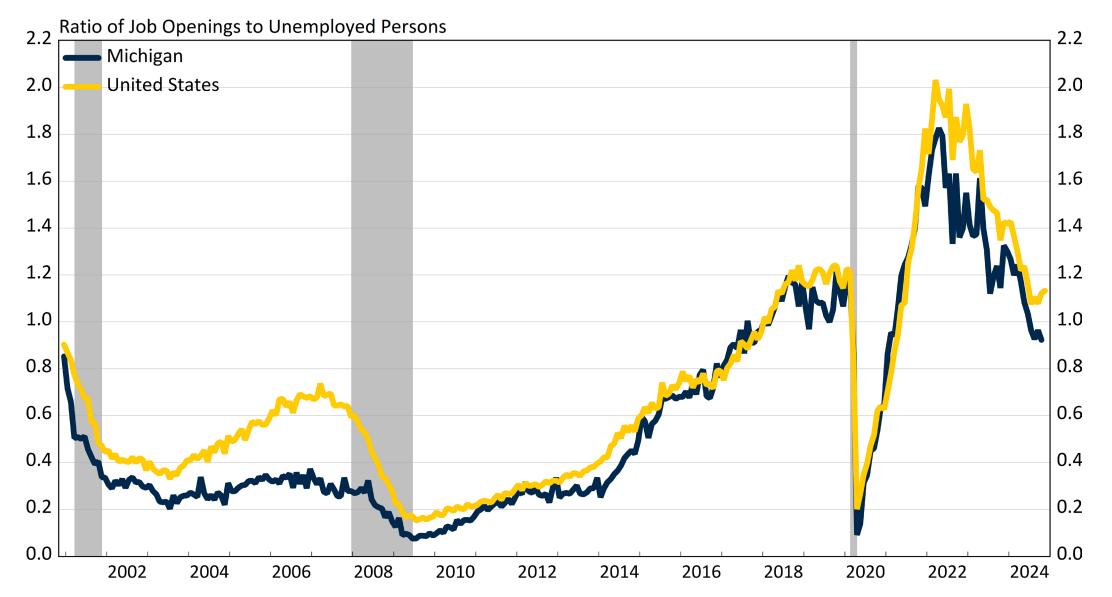


### ... But Local Unemployment Rates Are Rising





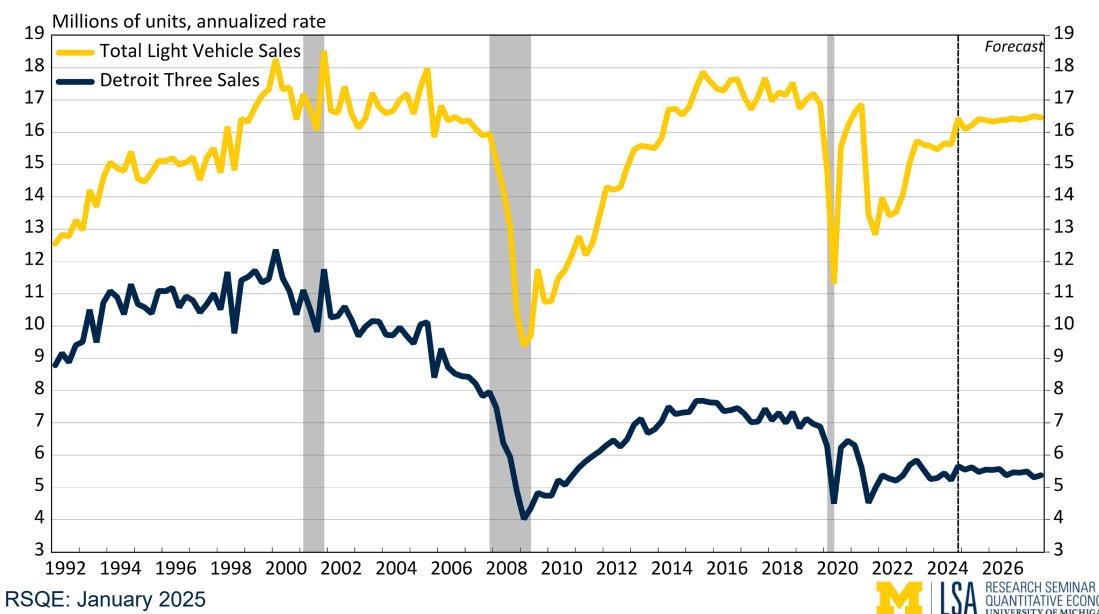
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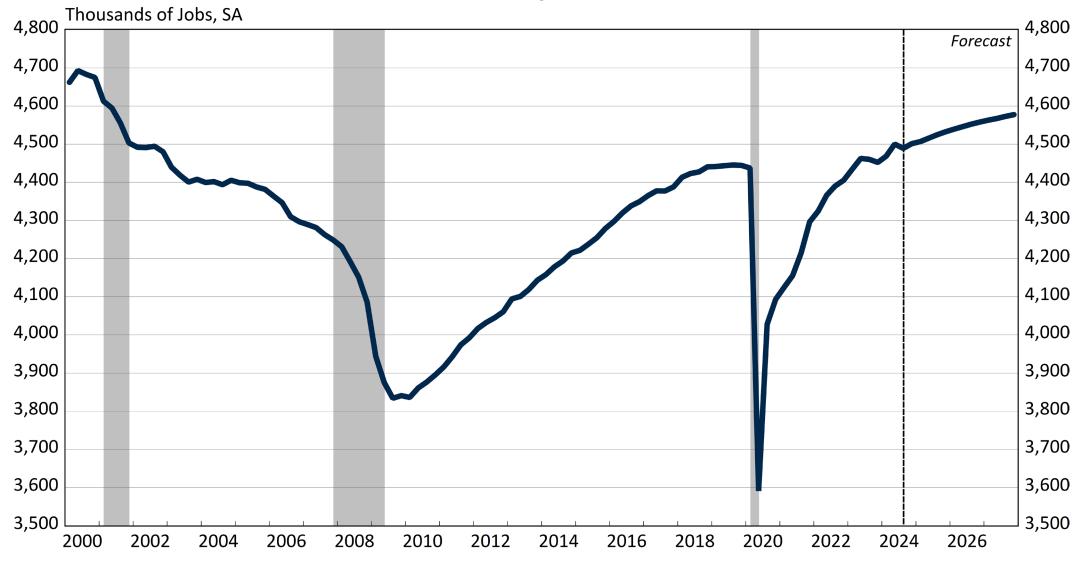


# Michigan Economic Outlook

## **Light Vehicle Sales Near Cruising Speed**

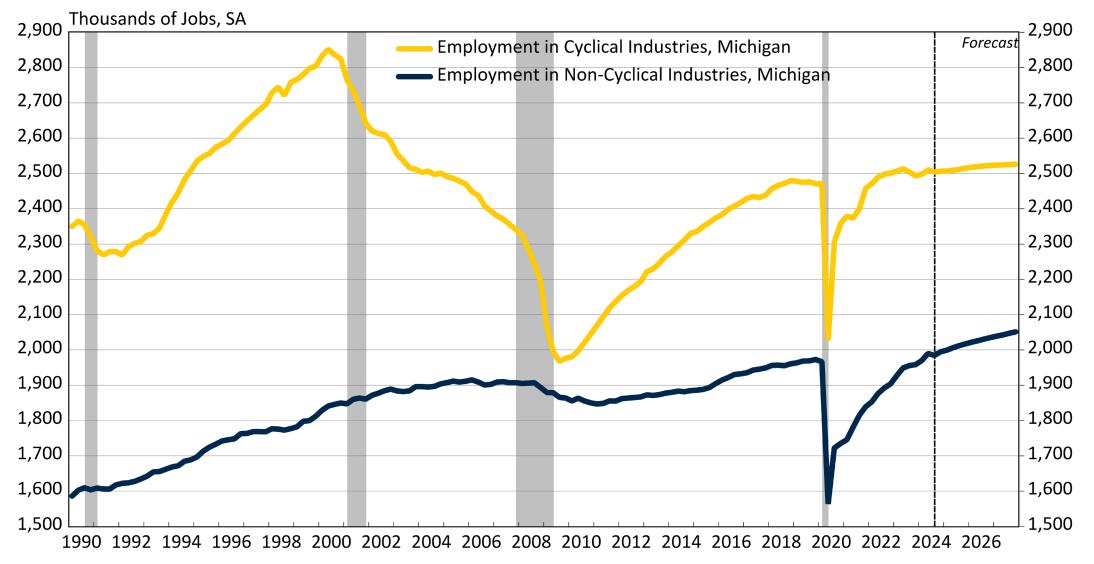


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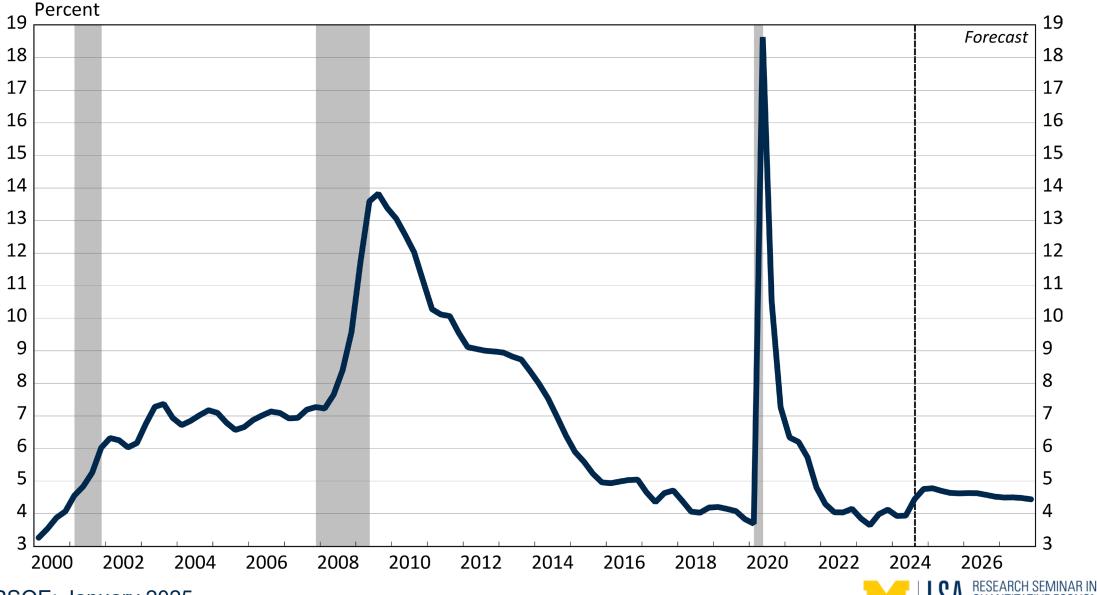


## **Non-Cyclical Industries Drive Employment Gains**





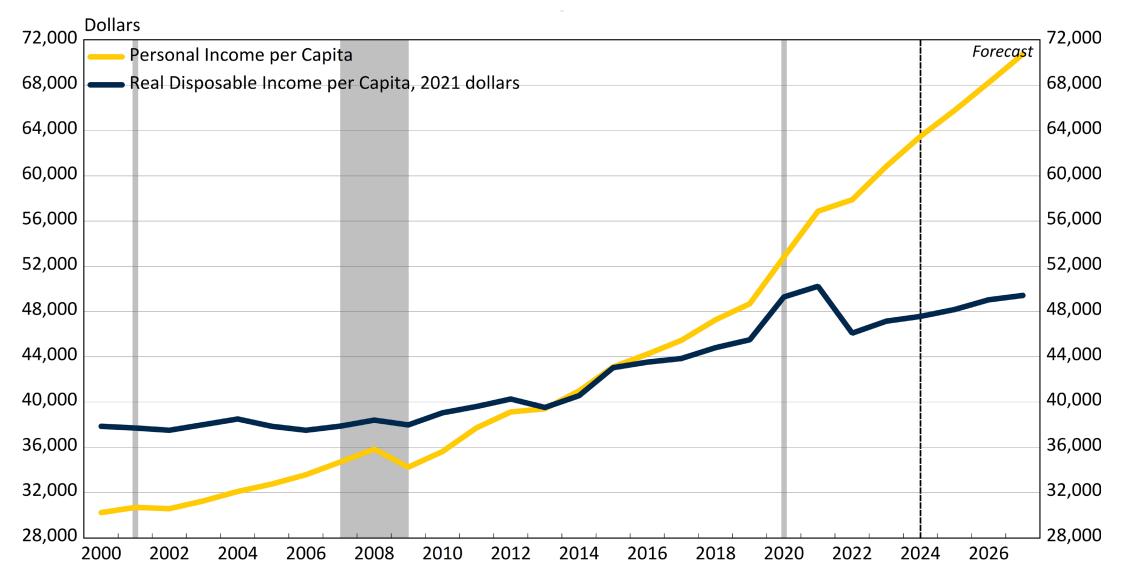
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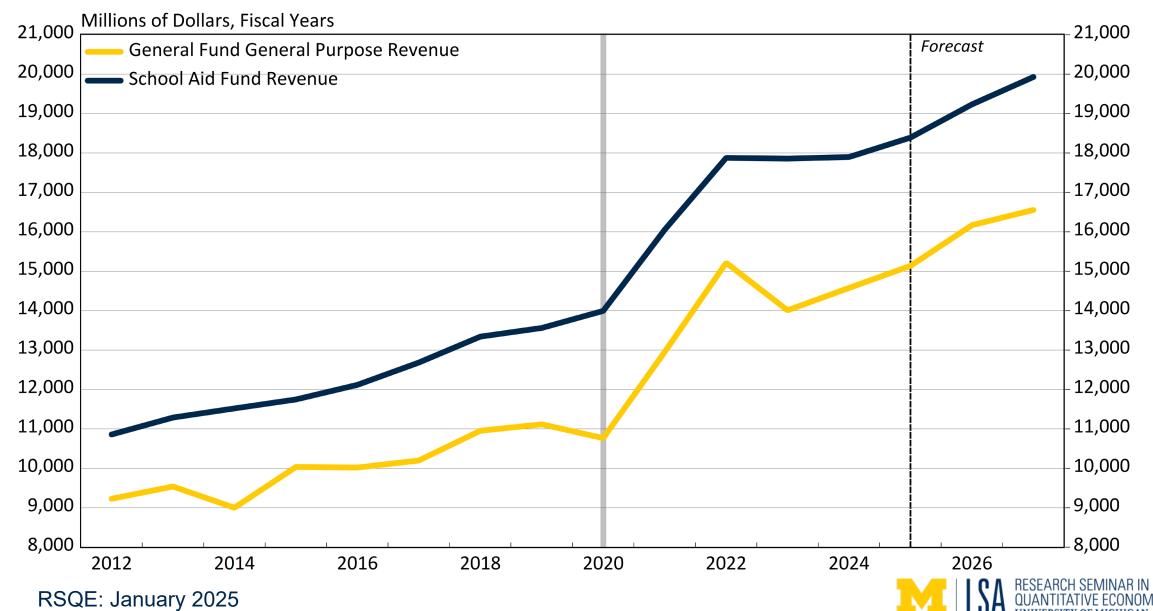


#### Michigan Real Disposable Income: New Data Paints a Prettier Picture





## **State Tax Revenues Grow at a Steadier Pace**



## **Risks and Concluding Thoughts**

>Largely a "soft landing" outlook for the Michigan economy

- Moderate employment growth, rising real incomes, and growing tax revenues
- But many risks, including:
  - Changes to the state minimum wage and sick leave policies
  - Trade and tariff policy
  - The path of vehicle electrification
  - ... in addition to national economic risks





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