



# Planning and Navigating with Assurance

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# Post-COVID Forecast Accuracy When Things Were First Starting to Go Awry...

	Data is Through	Date of Forecast	Duration	Accuracy
US GDP	Dec 2019	Mar 20, 2020	9	98.4%
US Ind. Prod.	Feb 2020	Mar 25, 2020	9	96.5%
Europe Ind. Prod.	Jan 2020	Mar 25, 2020	9	98.7%
Canada Indl Prod.	Dec 2019	Mar 25, 2020	9	94.9%
China Ind. Prod.	Feb 2020	Mar 29, 2020	9	92.8%
Retail Sales	Jan 2020	Mar 21, 2020	9	98.7%
Housing	Jan 2020	Mar 26, 2020	9	99.6%
Employment	Feb 2020	Mar 28, 2020	9	93.7%

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# **Growth Through 2024**

**US Gross Domestic Product, SAAR, Chained 2012 \$** 



Source: BEA



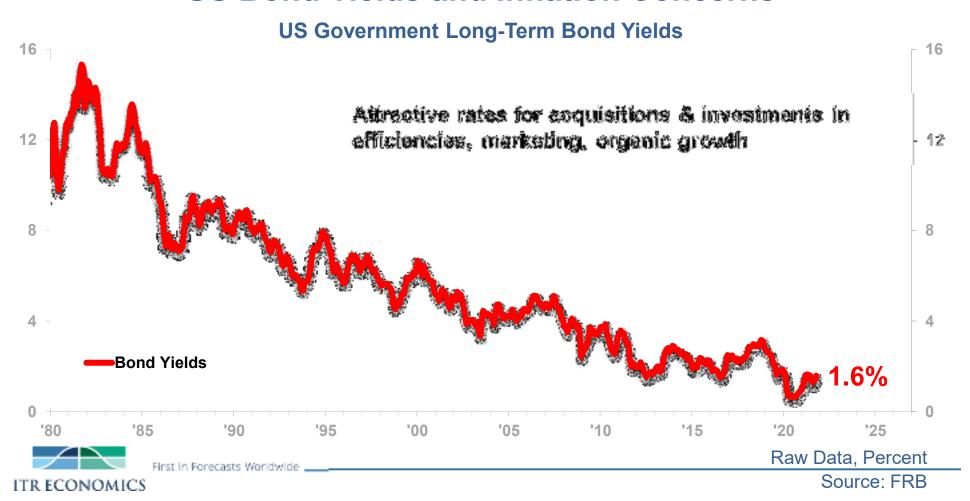


# Government

**Spend More & Tax More** 

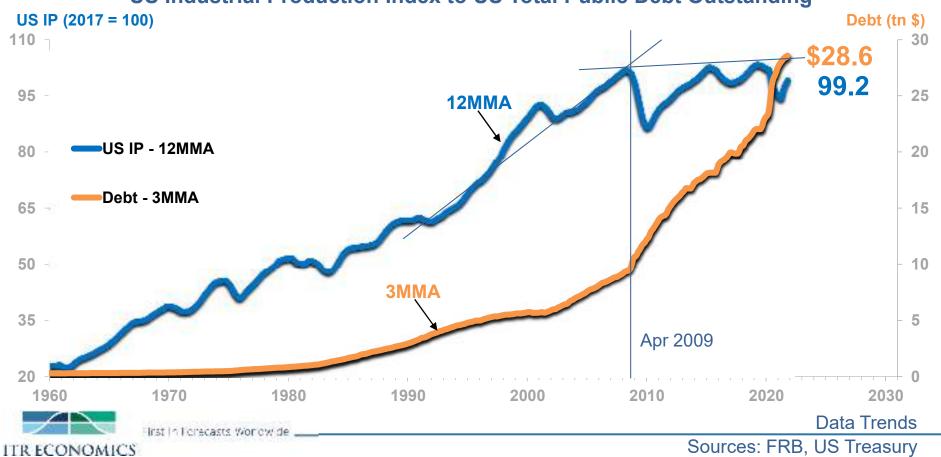


### **US Bond Yields and Inflation Concerns**



# **Deficit Spending and Slower Growth**

**US Industrial Production Index to US Total Public Debt Outstanding** 



Sources: FRB, US Treasury

#### **Number of Times in the Oval Office Post WWII**

Party	#
Republicans	7
Democrats	6

# Average % Change in the Nat'l Debt by Party Post WWII

Party	%		
Republicans	32.1%		
Democrats	15.3%		

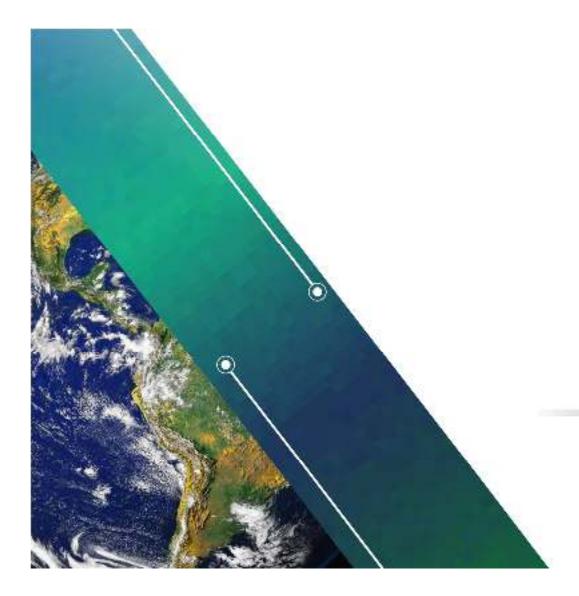


# Percent Each Party Reduced the National Debt (whole history)

Party	%		
Republicans	27.8% (5 times)		
Democrats	26.7% (4 times)		





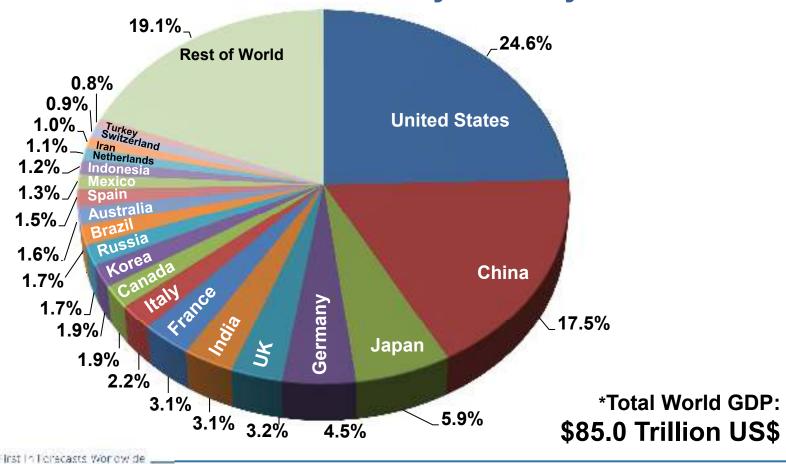




# Global Partners & Supply Chain



# **Percent of World GDP by Country**





Source: IMF, \*ROW: 69% are IMF Estimated Figures

# **Decelerating** *Rise* In 2022

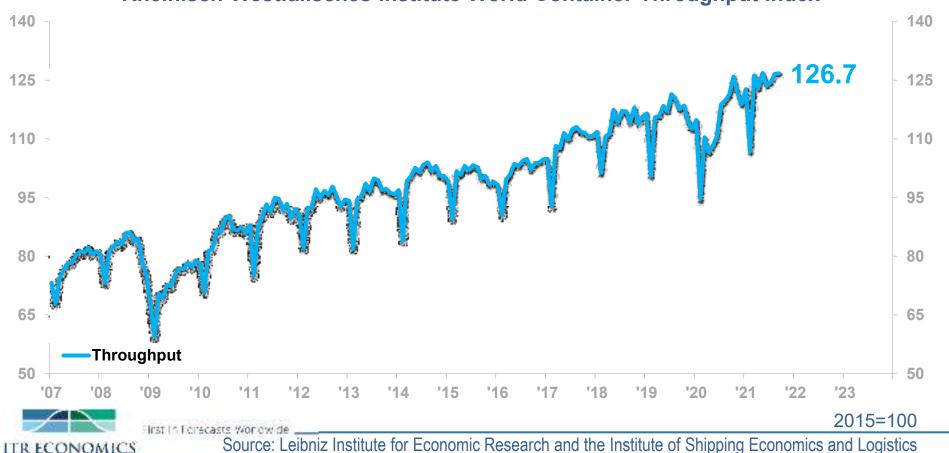
#### Non-U.S. Economic Leading Indicators

Indicator	Trend	Comments
Australia Leading Indicator	Decline	Slowing rise probable for 2022
Brazil Leading Indicator	Decline	Slowing rise probable for 2022
Canada Leading Indicator	Decline	Slowing rise probable for 2022
Eurozone Leading Indicator	Decline	Slowing rise probable for 2022
Japan Leading Indicator	Decline	Slowing rise probable for 2022
Mexico Leading Indicator	Decline	Slowing rise probable for 2022
Major Five Asia Leading Indicator	Decline	Slowing rise probable for 2022



# **Container Throughput Continues to Rise**

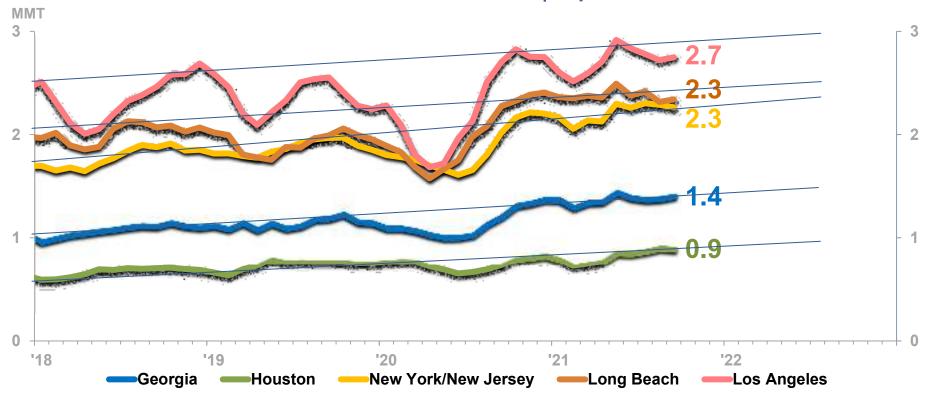
Rheinisch-Westfälisches Institute World Container Throughput Index



Source: Leibniz Institute for Economic Research and the Institute of Shipping Economics and Logistics

# **Overwhelming Demand**

#### **Total Intermodal Container Traffic | Top Five US Ports**





Millions of TEU

#### **Supply Chain Issues Resulting From:**

- Overstimulation of demand in the <u>US</u>
- Covid disruptions to supply
- **Congestion on the seas, railyards, truck terminals**
- Covid disruptions still occurring in China and Vietnam
- Power Outages in Asia and Europe
- Nationalism

#### **Supply Chain Solutions:**

- > Slower ascent in the US economy in 2022 2023
- Supply lines repaired and shortened over 2022 2023
- New capacity coming online in 2022-2023

#### **Eventual Result:**

✓ More rational price trends going forward







# US Economy & Market Trends

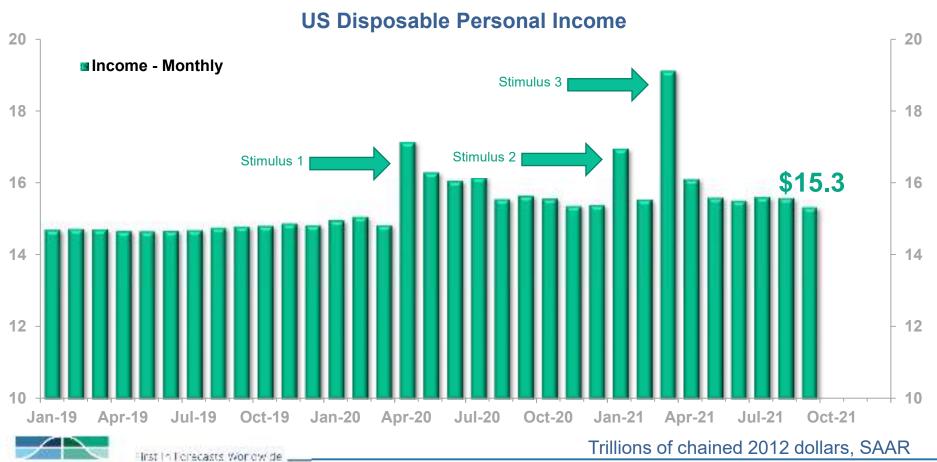


# U.S. Economic Leading Indicators: Deceleration in 2022

Indicator	Trend	Macro Indication
ITR Retail Sales Leading Indicator	Rise	Positive through next four quarters
ITR Financial Leading Indicator	Decline	Deceleration probable for 2022
JPMorgan Global PMI	Decline	Deceleration probable for 2022
OECD Leading Indicator	Decline	Deceleration probable for 2022
G7 Leading Indicator	Decline	Deceleration probable for 2022
Purchasing Managers Index (PMI)	Decline	Deceleration probable for 2022
ITR Leading Indicator	Decline	Deceleration probable for 2022
Wilshire Total Market Cap	Decline	Deceleration probable for 2022
US Business Confidence Index	Decline	Deceleration probable for 2022
Single-Family Housing Starts	Decline	Deceleration probable for 2022
Total Industry Capacity Utilization	Decline	Deceleration probable for 2022
US Exports, Goods – World	Decline	Deceleration probable for 2022



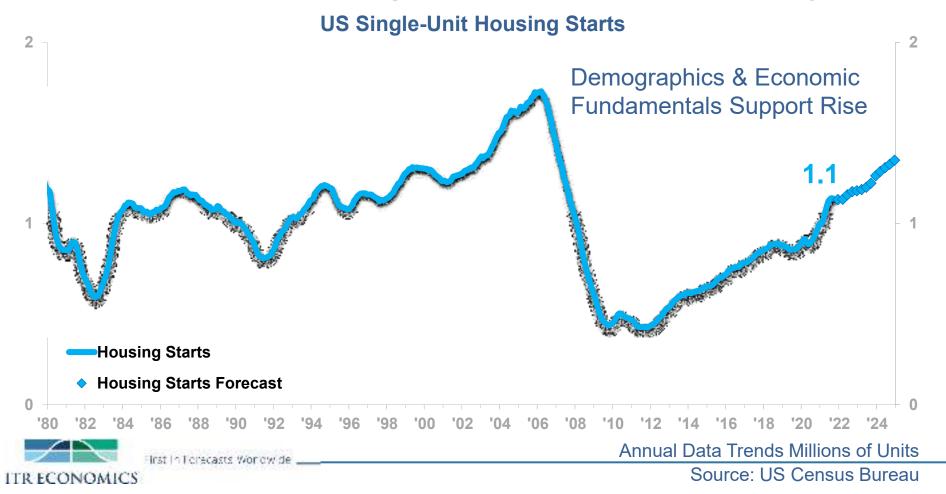
# Keeping An Eye on the Recent Slip in Income



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Source: US Bureau of Economic Analysis

# A Positive Leading Indication for the Economy

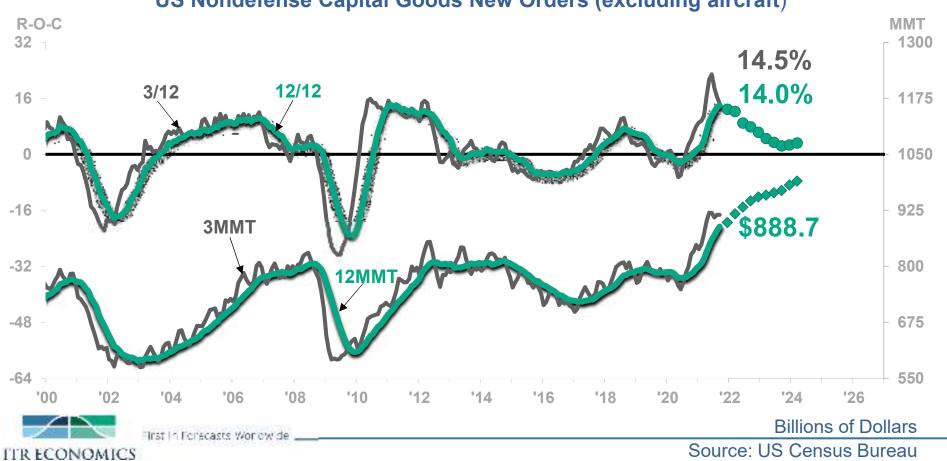


# **B2B Stays Strong Through 2024**

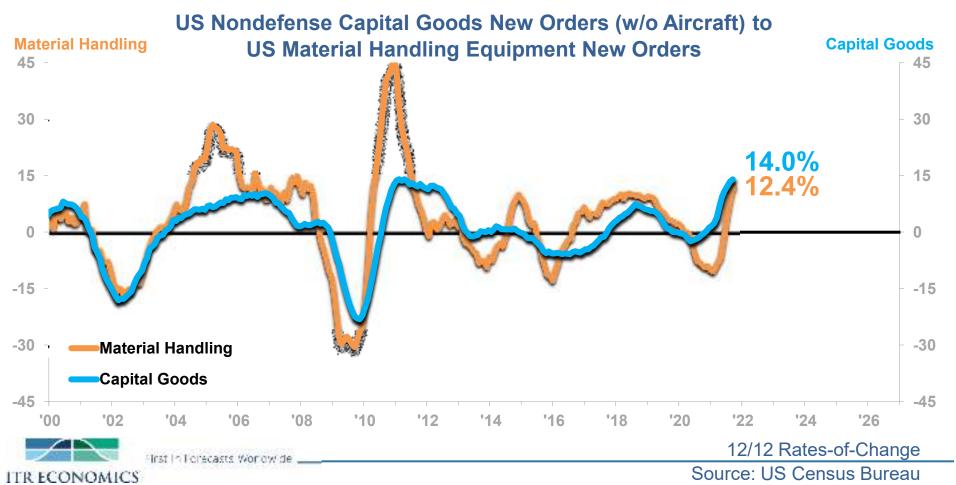


# Record High New Orders Through 2024

**US Nondefense Capital Goods New Orders (excluding aircraft)** 

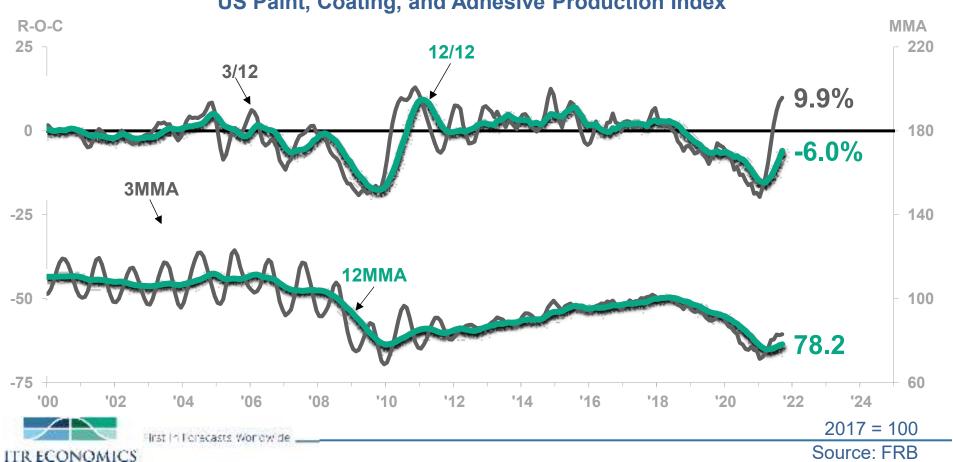


# **Material Handling Will Thrive Along with CAPEX**



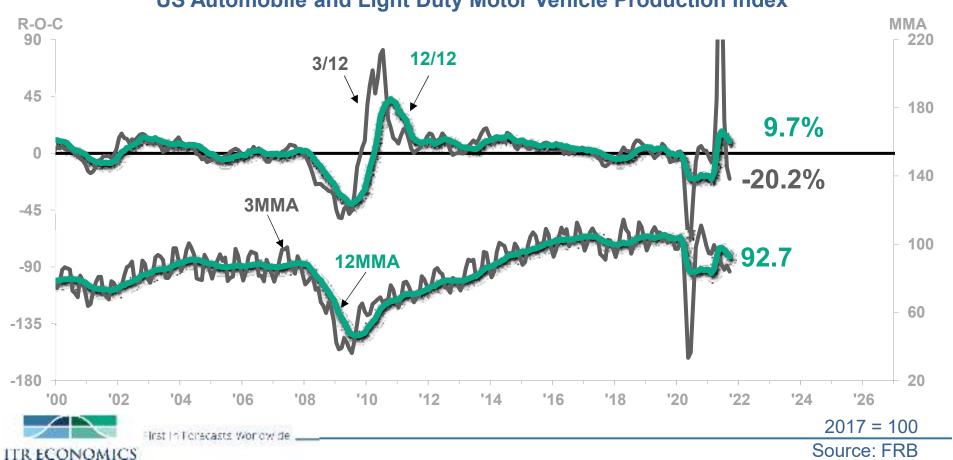
# **Cyclical Recovery Underway**

**US Paint, Coating, and Adhesive Production Index** 



#### Hard Pressed Given Semiconductor Issue

**US Automobile and Light Duty Motor Vehicle Production Index** 



#### **Global Semiconductor Rise**

#### **Semiconductor Shipments**

	12/12	Phase	3/12	Phase	Anr	nual Trend
Americas	19.2%	С	27.4%	В	\$	106.08
Europe	14.1%	В	38.9%	В	\$	42.91
China	18.2%	В	29.8%	В	\$	174.76
World	17.9%	В	29.9%	В	\$	501.70











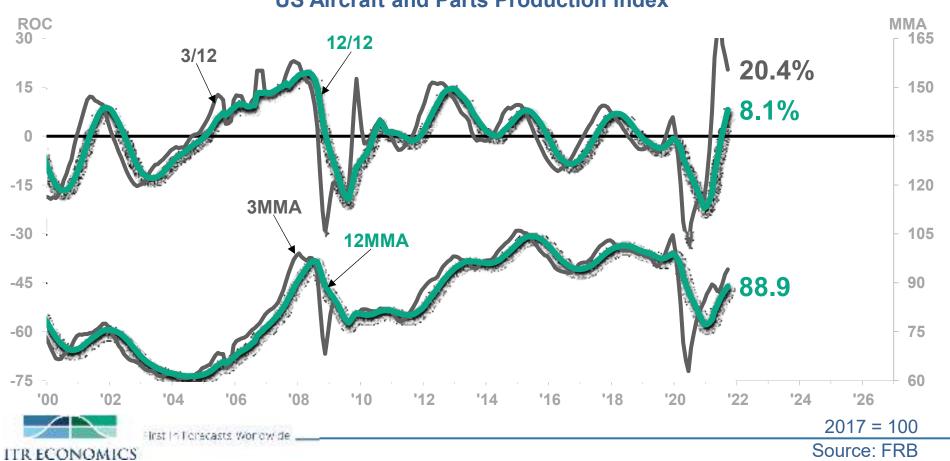
# **Solid Market Opportunities**

**Retail Sales Automotive Parts and Tire Stores** 



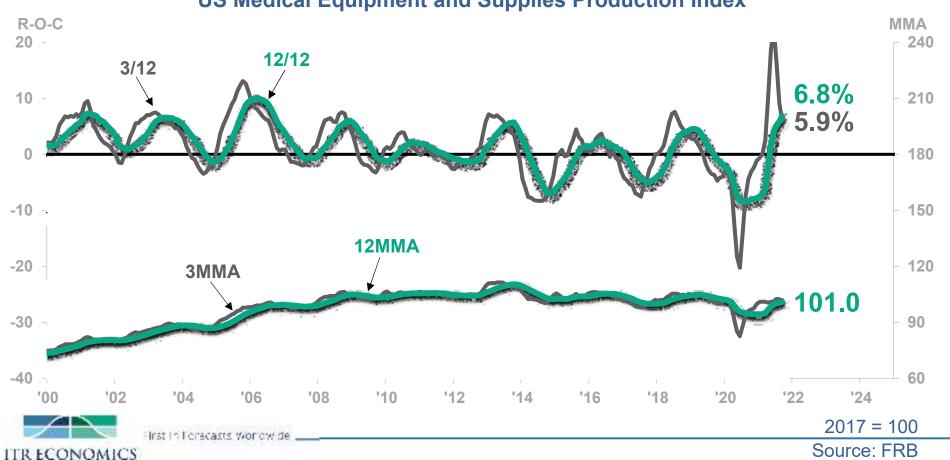
# **Multi-Year Recovery Has Started**

**US Aircraft and Parts Production Index** 



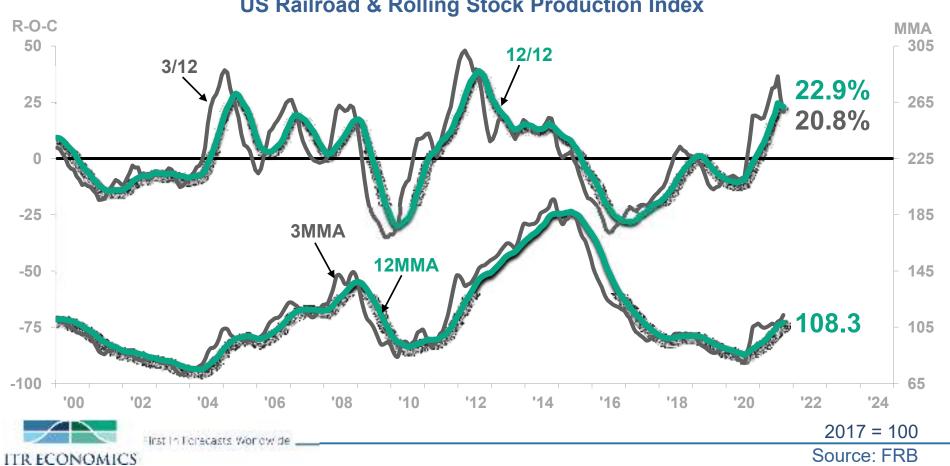
# **Additional Cyclical Ascent Probable**

**US Medical Equipment and Supplies Production Index** 



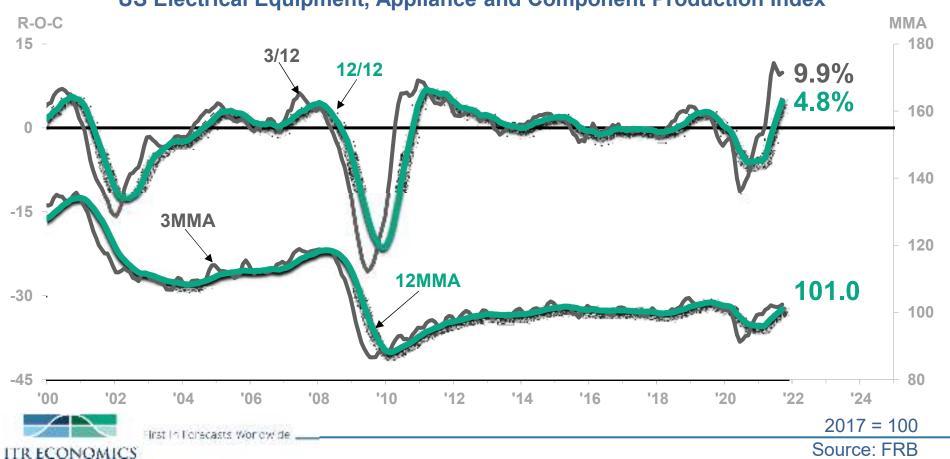
#### See 2004 – 2008 for a Recent Precedent

**US Railroad & Rolling Stock Production Index** 

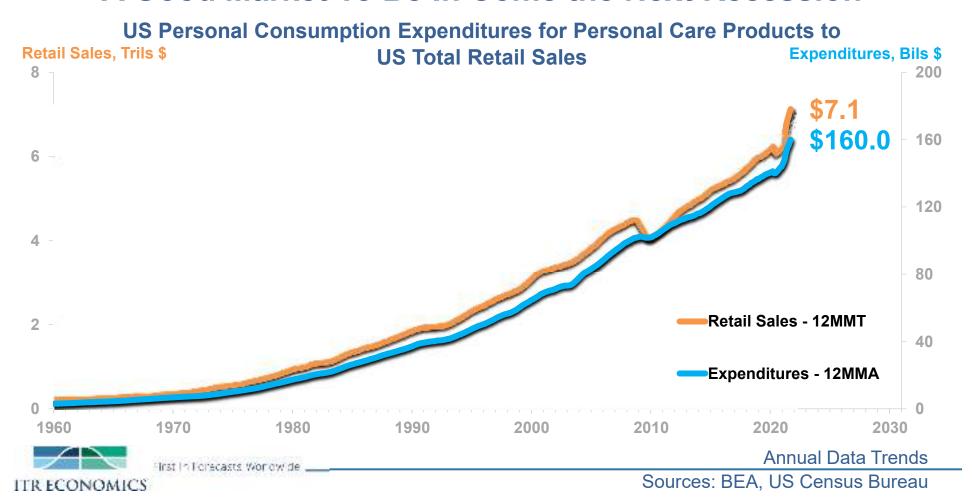


#### Return to Pre-COVID Levels of Production Indicated

**US Electrical Equipment, Appliance and Component Production Index** 



#### A Good Market To Be In Come the Next Recession





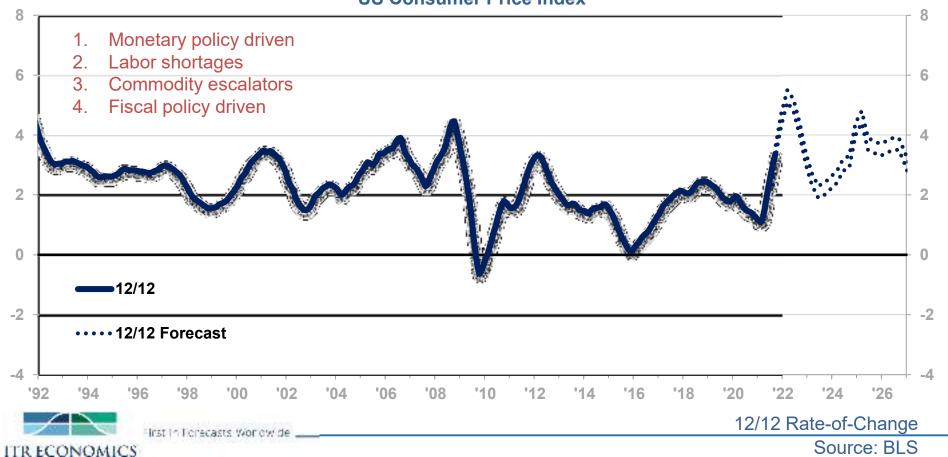


# Inflation



#### **Inflation Outlook Through 2026**

#### **US Consumer Price Index**



# **Gold Cycle: An Indication of Transience**

**US Consumer Price Index to US Gold Commodity Prices** 



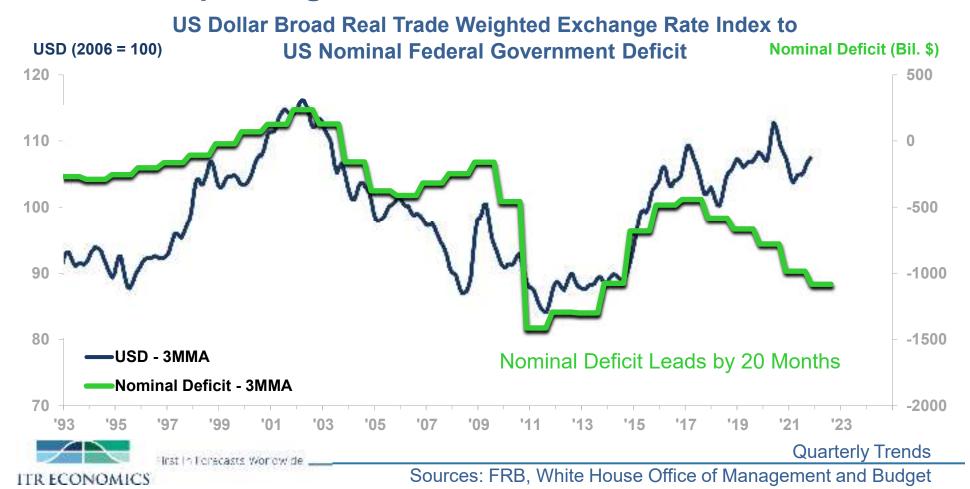
# **Next Round of Inflation Starting From an Elevated Low**

**US Consumer Price Index to US Total Government Spending** 



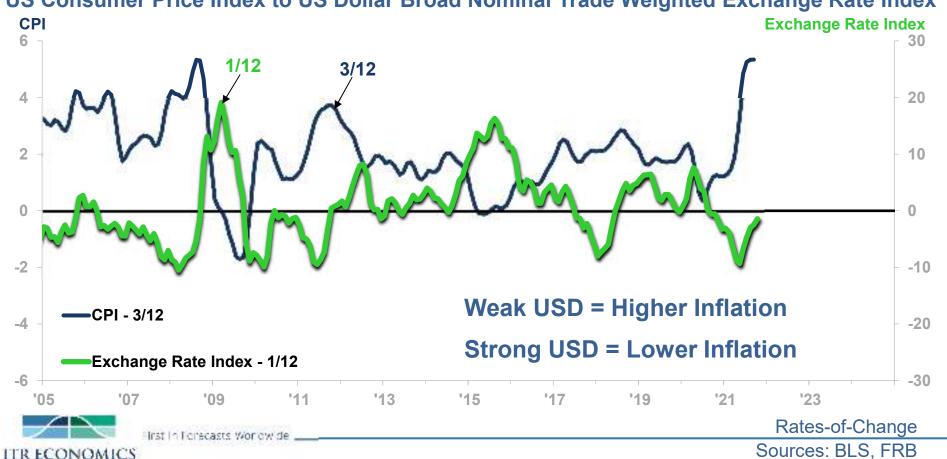
Sources: BLS, White House Office of Management and Budget

## **Deficit Spending Puts Downward Pressure on the USD**



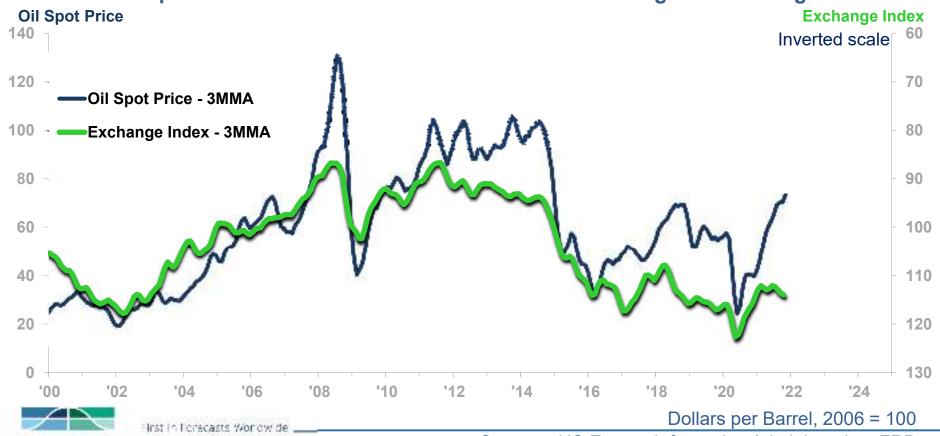
# Weakening USD Leads to Higher Inflation

**US Consumer Price Index to US Dollar Broad Nominal Trade Weighted Exchange Rate Index** 



# **Weak USD Begets Higher Oil Prices**

**US Crude Oil Spot Prices to US Dollar Broad Nominal Trade Weighted Exchange Rate Index** 



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Sources: US Energy Information Administration, FRB



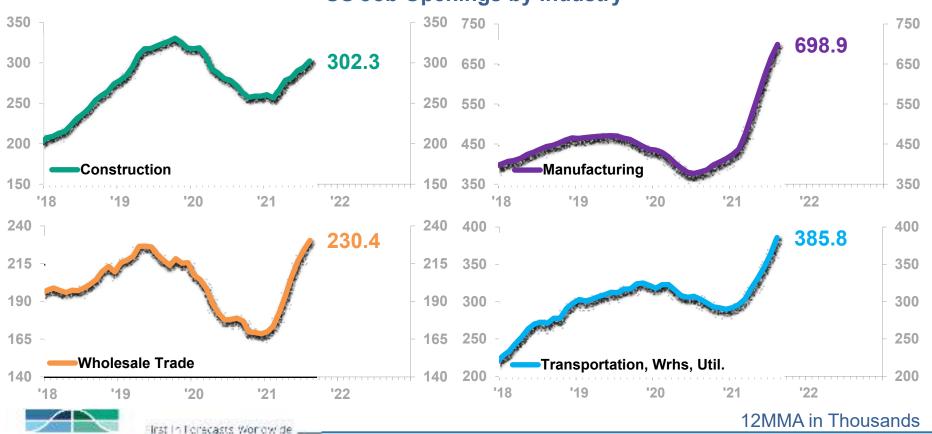


# People



# Labor Shortage Will Not End Anytime Soon

**US Job Openings by Industry** 

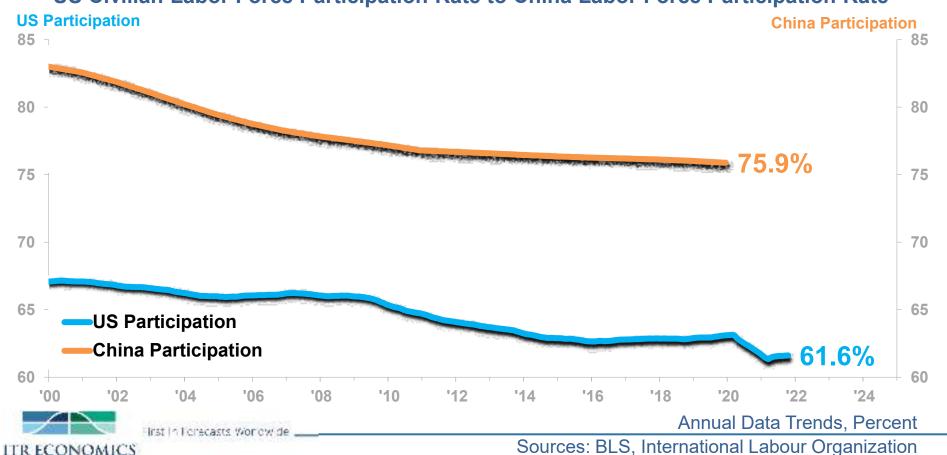


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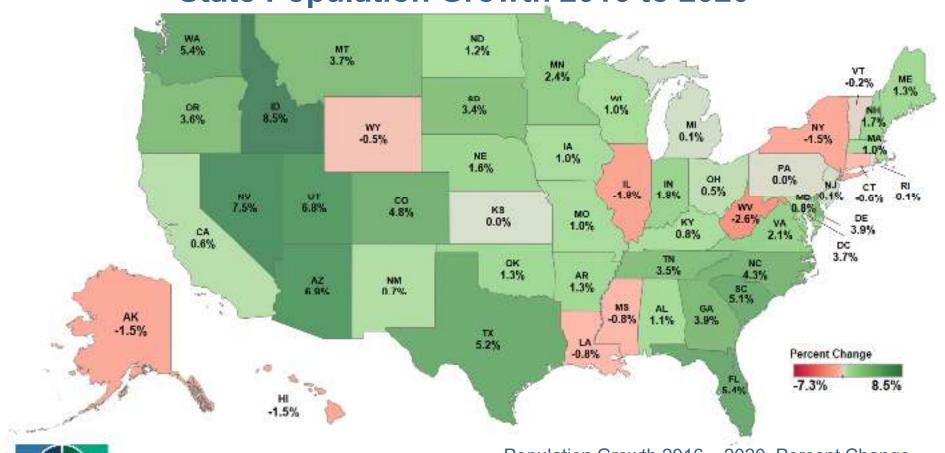
Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

# **Growth Increasingly Requires Automation**

US Civilian Labor Force Participation Rate to China Labor Force Participation Rate



# **State Population Growth 2016 to 2020**



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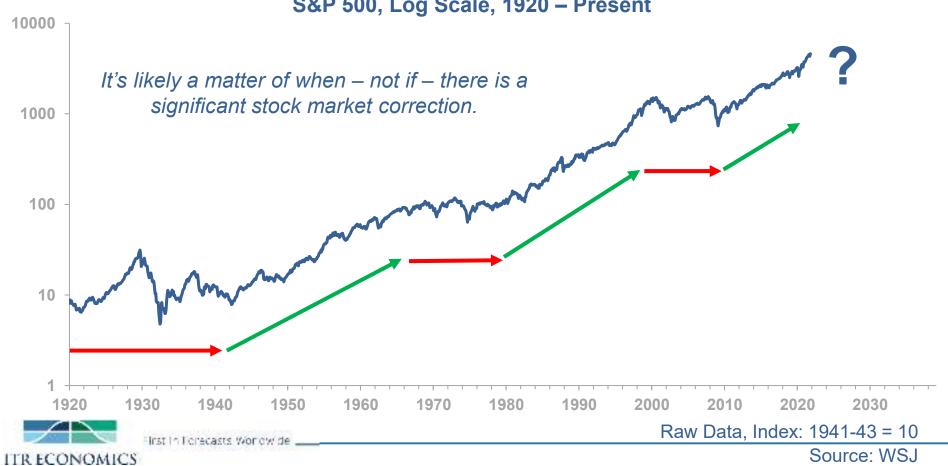
Population Growth 2016 – 2020, Percent Change

Source: US Census Bureau

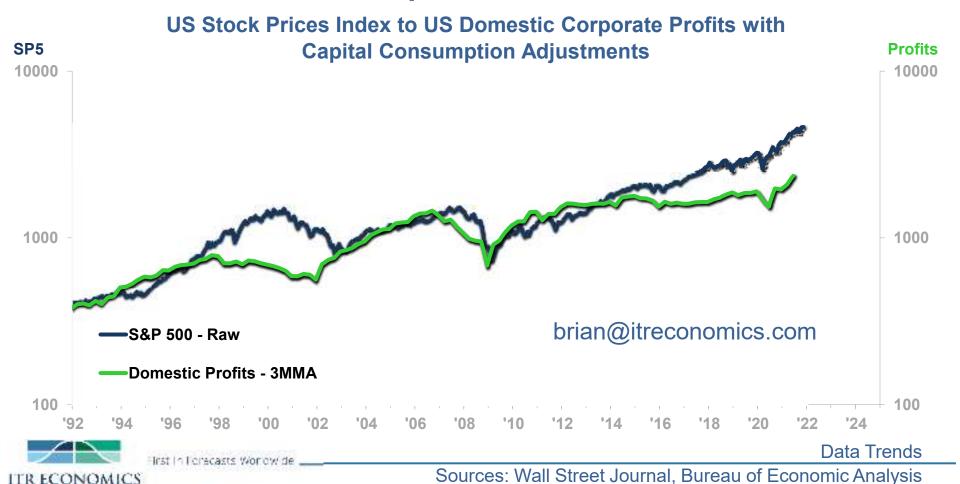


# **Not Always 7%**

**S&P 500**, Log Scale, 1920 – Present



## **An Overpriced US Market**



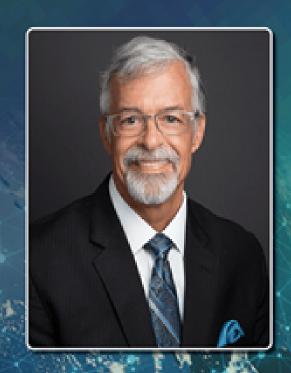
## **Our Economic Realities Looking Forward**

- Supply chain issues, including transportation, are abating but will be with us through 2022 and in some cases 2023
- Use Alliance to your personal advantage
- Raising prices are a must for protecting margins. Strategically use price escalators based on competitive advantages
- Labor is going to be in short supply through this decade
- > Stringent cash flow model should be done for 2026 and beyond as interest rates rise
- Investing in R&D and increasing market share in existing markets necessary to achieve superior growth
- > Retain....Attract...Innovate...better than your competition





# Any questions?



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