

PERSPECTIVES ÉCONOMIQUES ET STRATÉGIE D'INVESTISSEMENT POUR 2022

MACRO-ECONOMISCHE VOORUITZICHTEN EN BELEGINGSSTRATEGIE VOOR 2022

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GLOBAL OUTLOOK

BACK TO THE 70S ?

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FORECASTS

		GDP		HICP	
	2016	BNPPF	Consensus	BNPPF	Consensus
US	2021	5,5	5,7	4,7	4,5
	2022	4,7	3,9	4,6	3,6
CHINA	2021	7,9	8,1	0,9	1,1
	2022	5,3	5,3	2,1	2,2
EUROZONE	2021	5,0	5,0	2,5	2,4
	2022	4,2	4,3	3,1	2,0
BELGIUM	2021	6,1	5,6	3,0	2,5
	2022	3,1	3,2	3,6	2,3

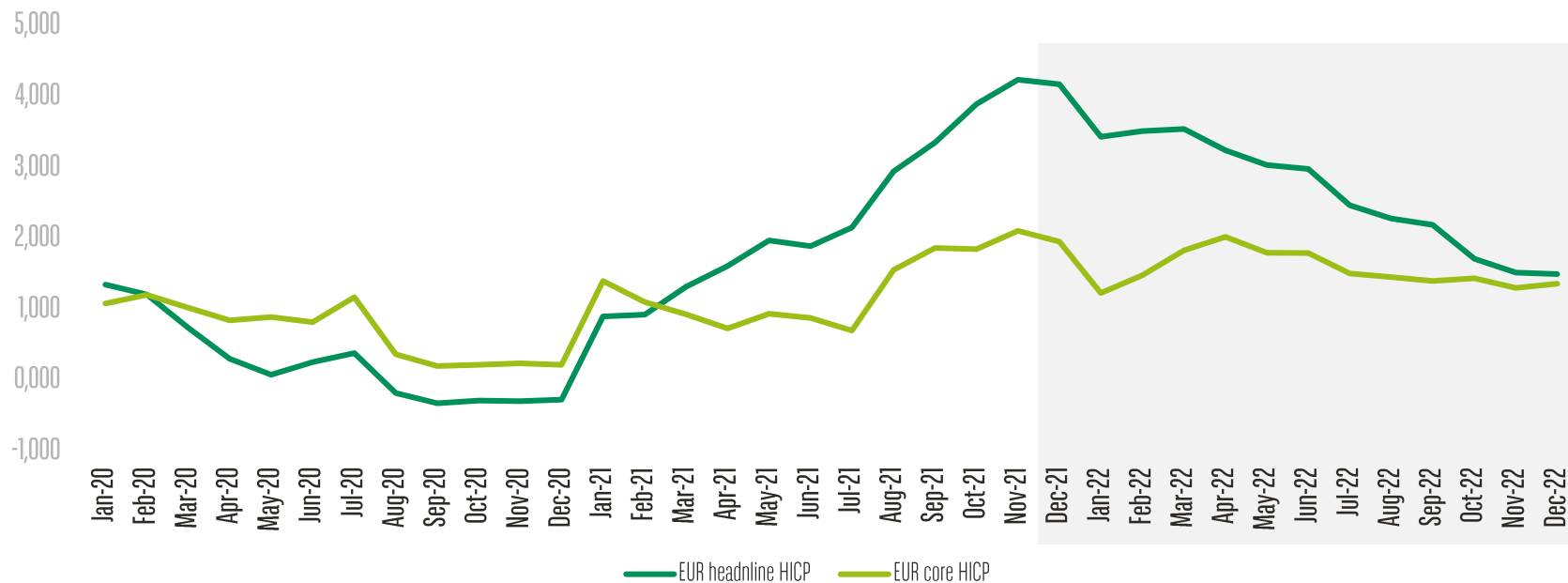
Sources: BNP Paribas, Focus-economics, OECD, Europese Commissie, IMF

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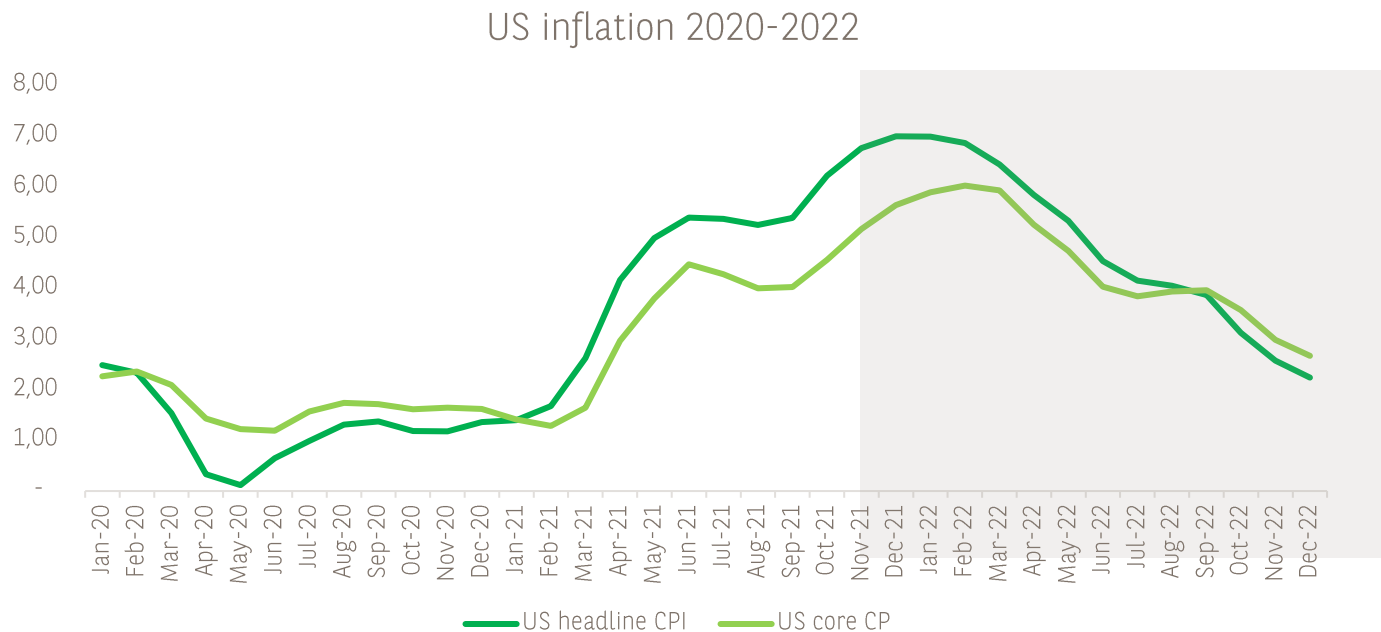
INFLATION: PEAKING

Eurozone inflation 2020-2022





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TODAY'S **AGENDA**

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Belgium – consumption stalling

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Inflation – too big goods demand,
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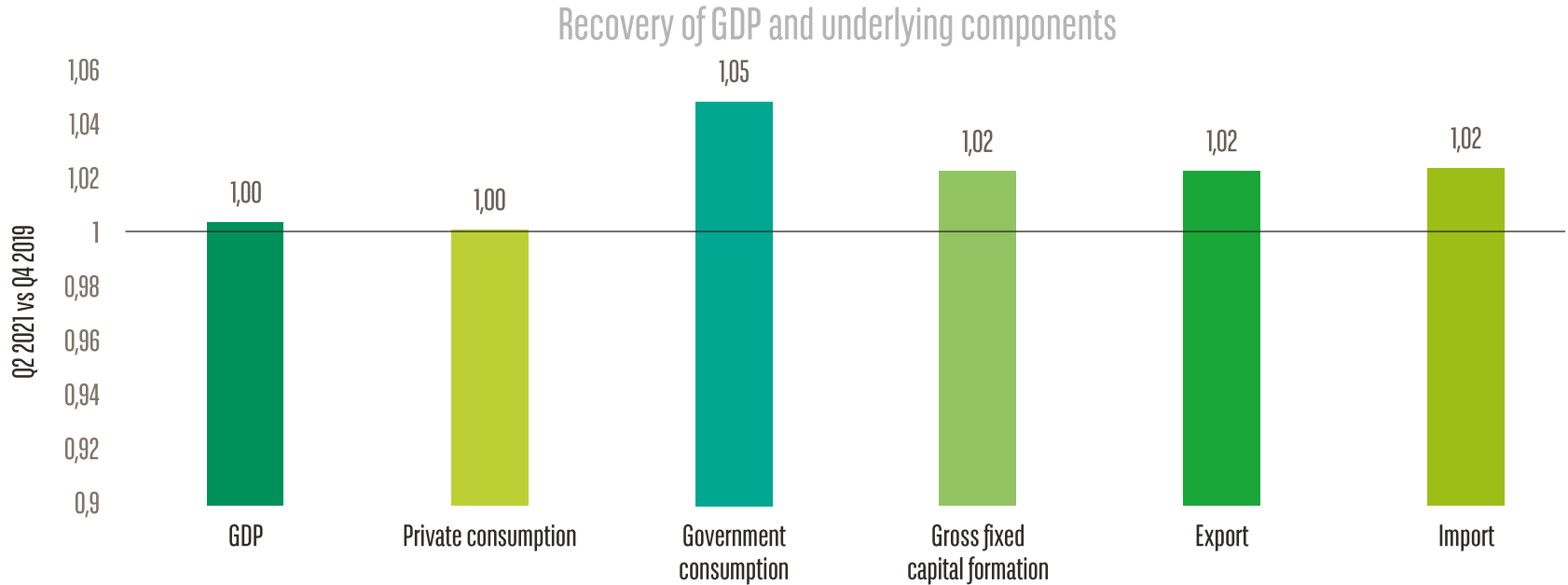
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Belgium:
Consumption stalling





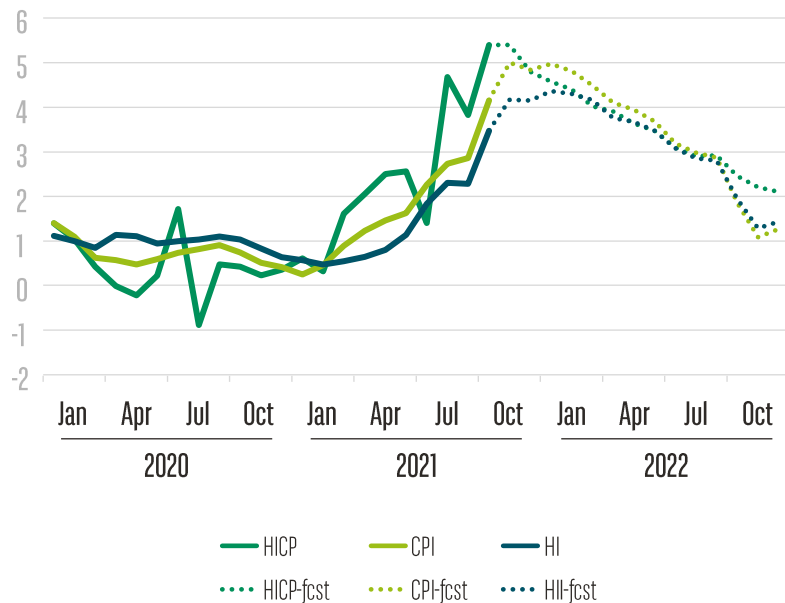
THE RECOVERY: WORRYING ABOUT CONSUMPTION



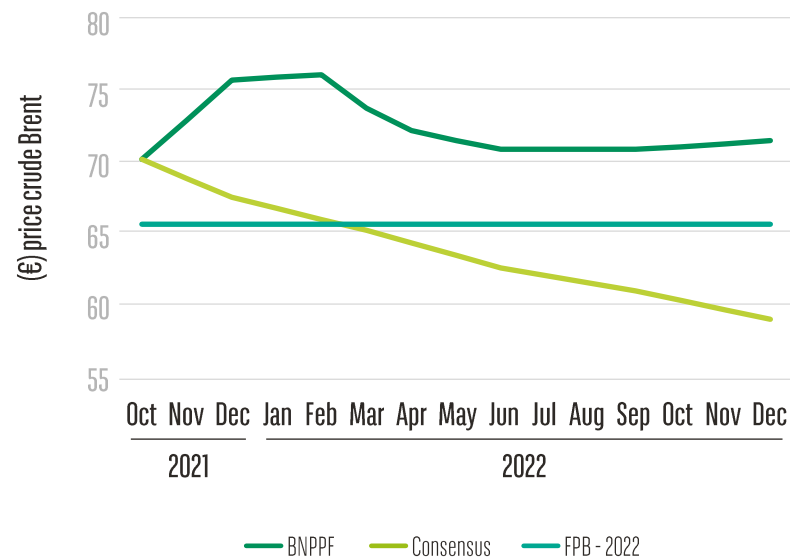


INFLATION OUTLOOK

Inflation measures

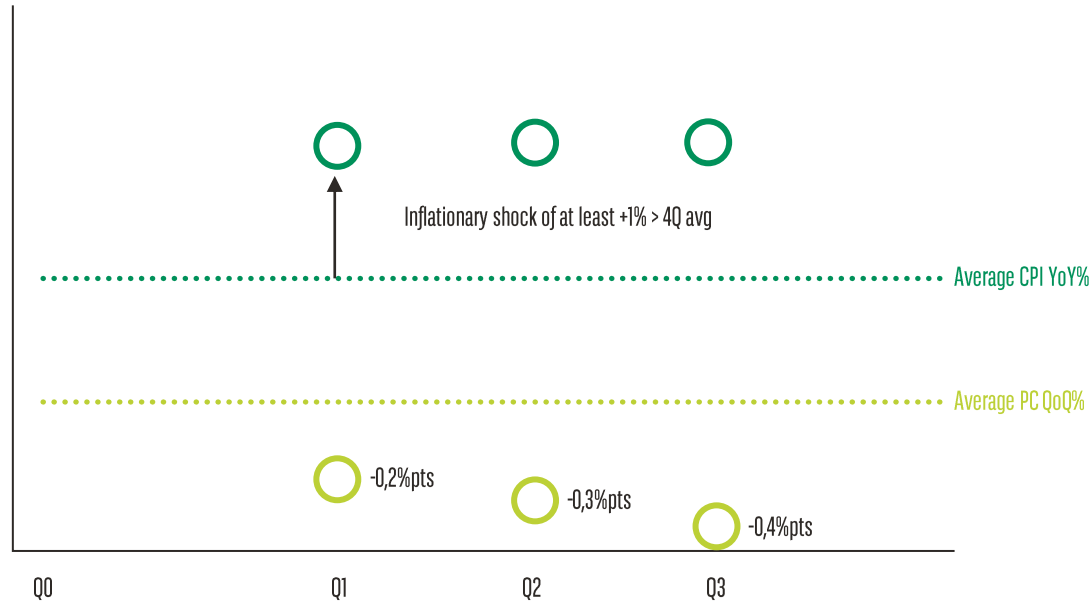


Brent crude in € (estimates)





INFLATION & CONSUMPTION



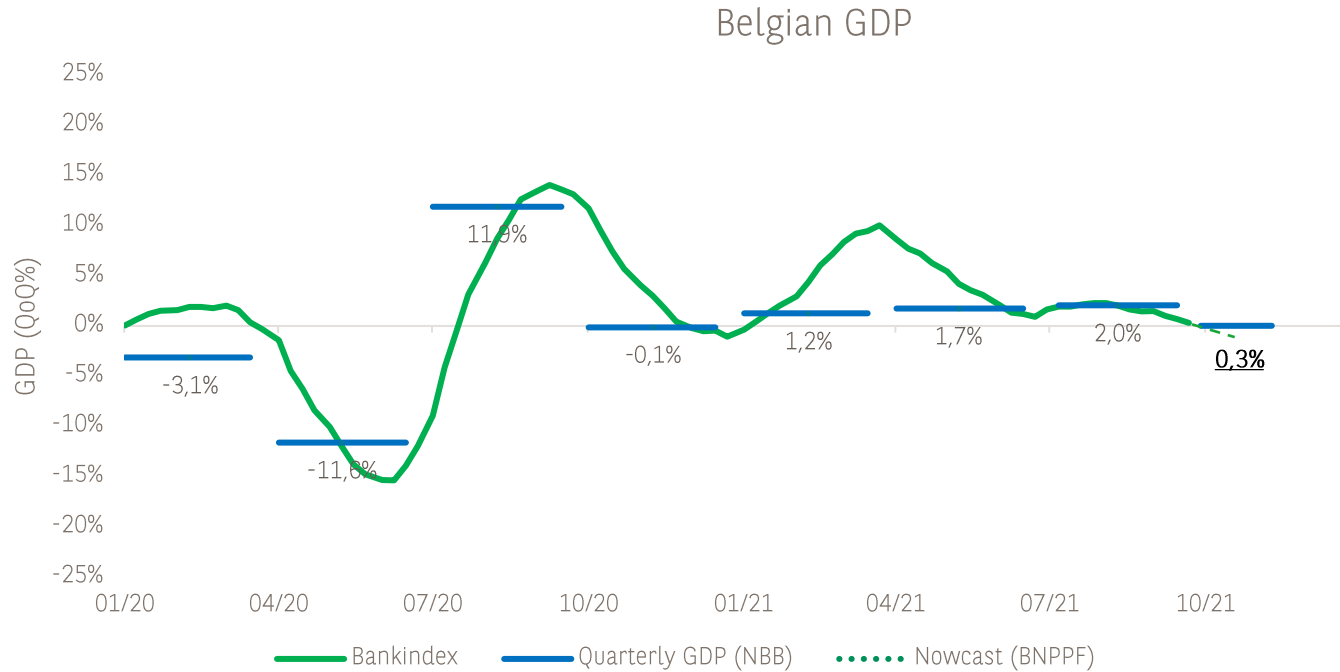


INFLATION & CONSUMPTION

1% point CPI shock...	... during 1 quarter		... during 2 quarters		... during 3 quarters	
	#	PC shock	#	PC shock	#	PC shock
Normal	535	-0,2	365	-0,2	246	-0,3
Oil price shock (D)	33	-0,2	22	-0,4	7	-0,7
Oil price shock (S)	79	-0,6	63	-0,8	50	-0,7



DIFFICULT QUARTER(S) **AHEAD**



CHAPTER 2

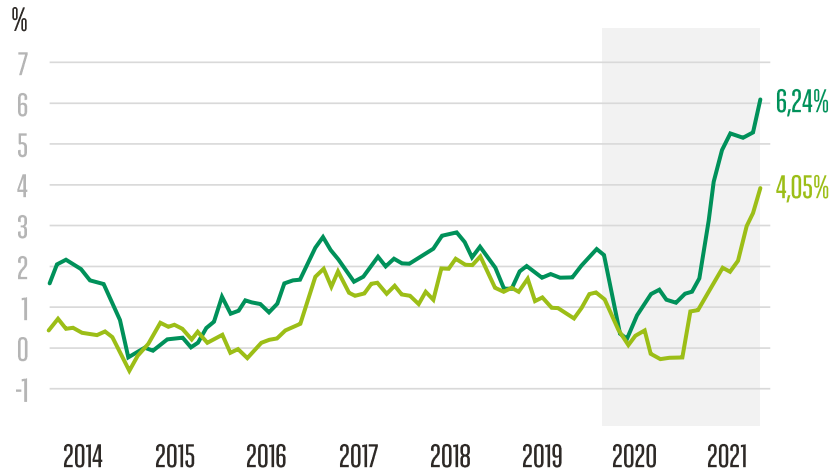
Inflation: Too much demand
for goods, too many supply
problems



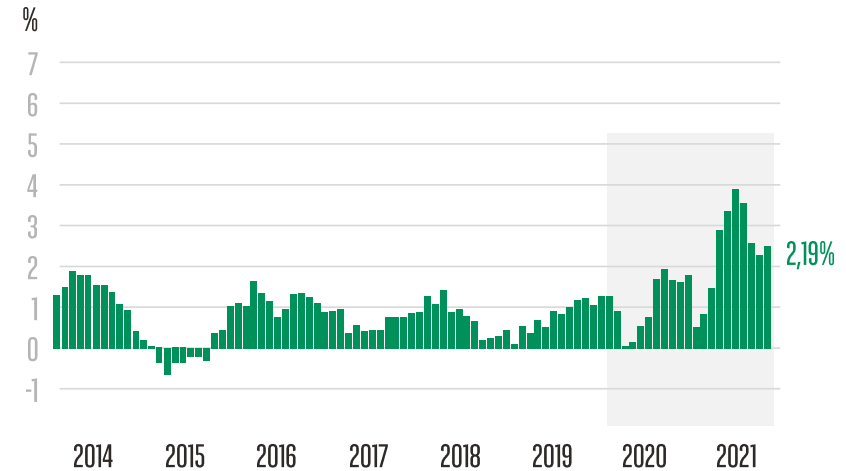


INFLATION: GLOBAL PROBLEM, BUT MORE SO IN US

CPI inflation: US vs eurozone



Inflation differential

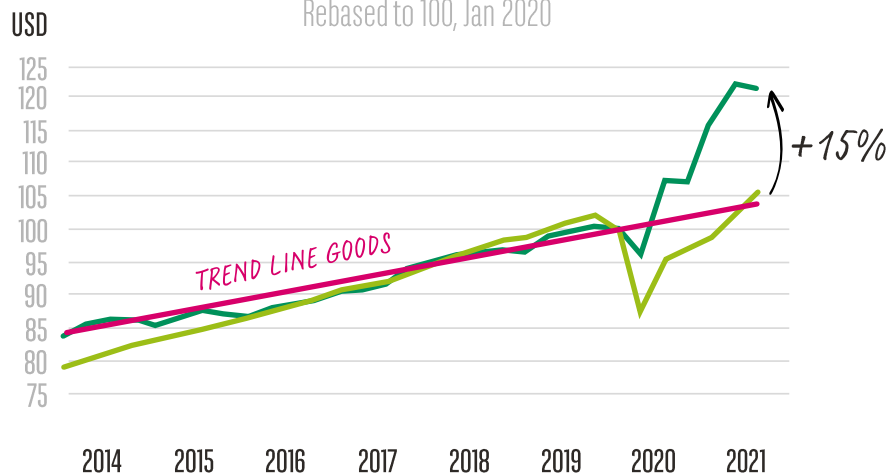


United States - CPI (U.S. City Average, SA) (c.o.p. 1 year) Euro Area - HICP, All Items, Index (c.o.p. 1 year) United States - CPI (U.S. City Average, SA)



INFLATION OF DURABLE GOODS, ENDS DEFLATIONARY TREND

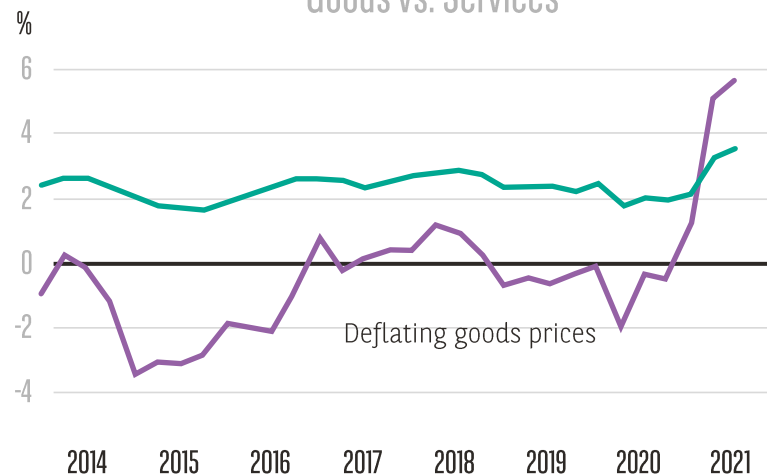
US: Personal consumption expenditures –
Goods vs. Services
Rebased to 100, Jan 2020



BEA, Gross Domestic Product, Personal Consumption Expenditures, Goods, AR, USD

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Inflation rate:
Goods vs. Services



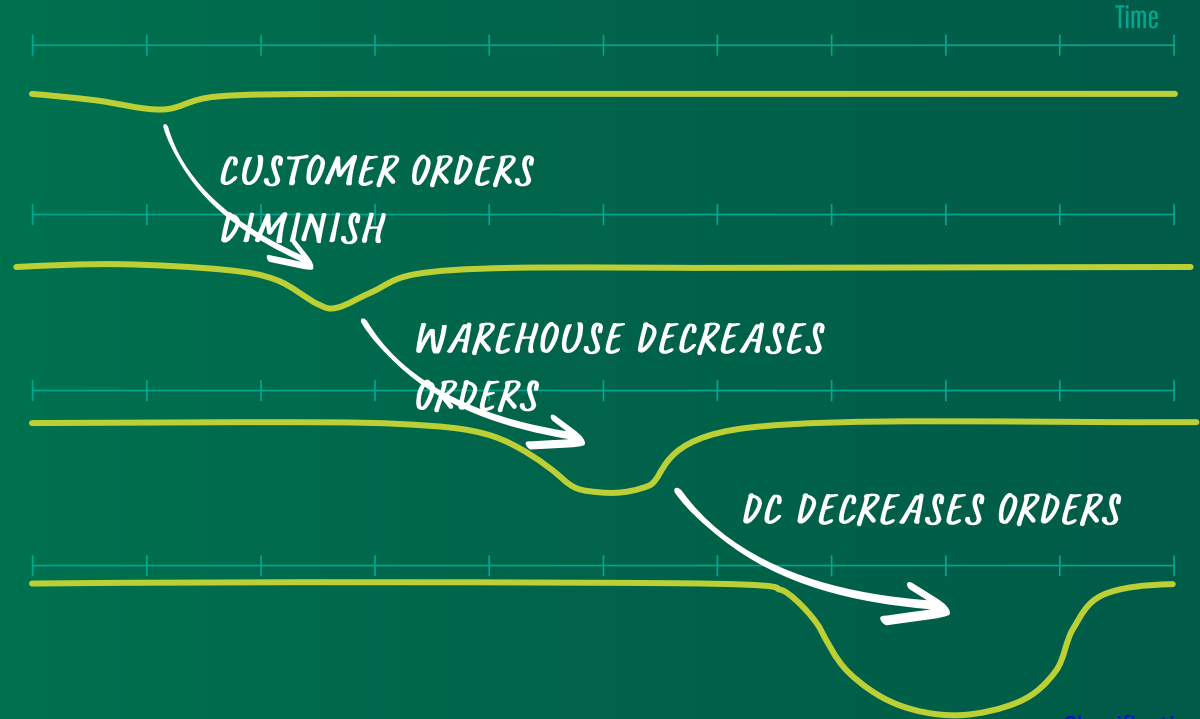
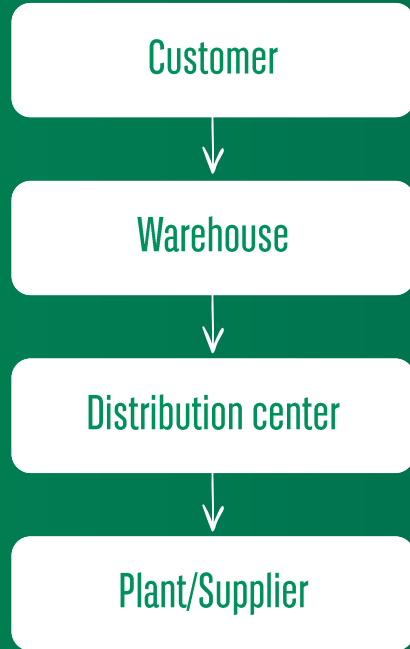
Price Index, Personal Consumption Expenditures, Services, Index

Price Index, Personal Consumption Expenditures, Goods, Total, Index



GLOBAL: BULLWHIP EFFECT – DECREASING

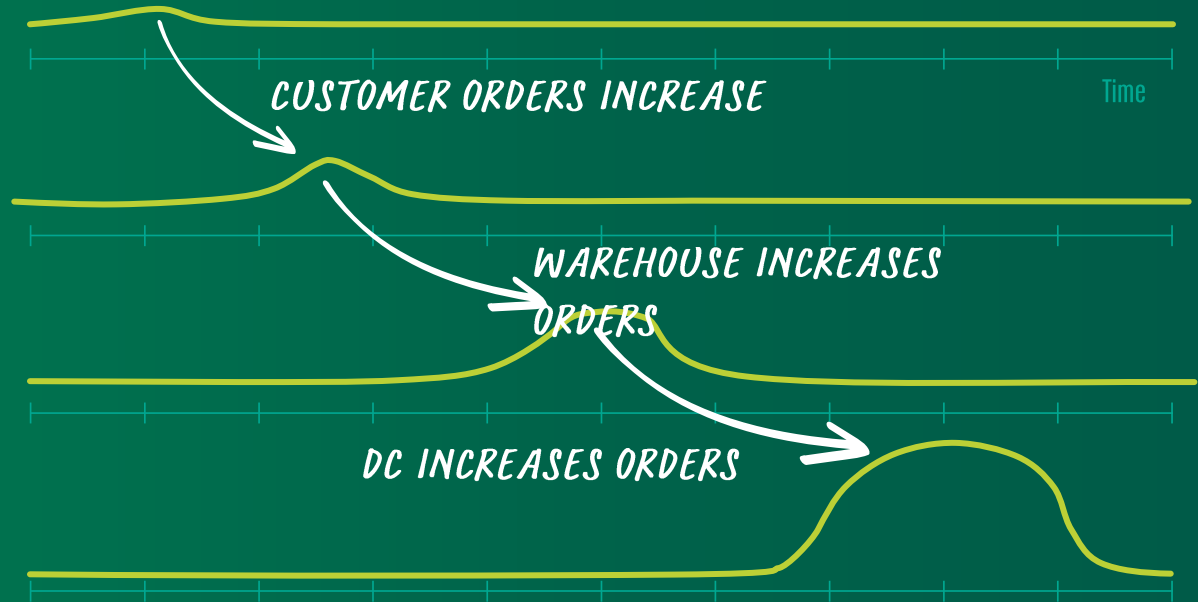
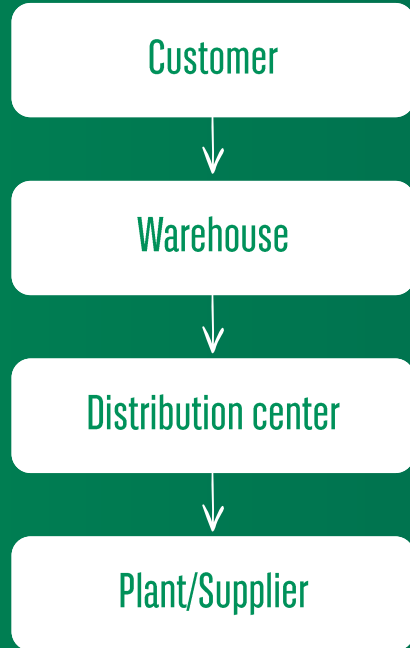
Bullwhip effect illustrated





GLOBAL: BULLWHIP EFFECT – INCREASING

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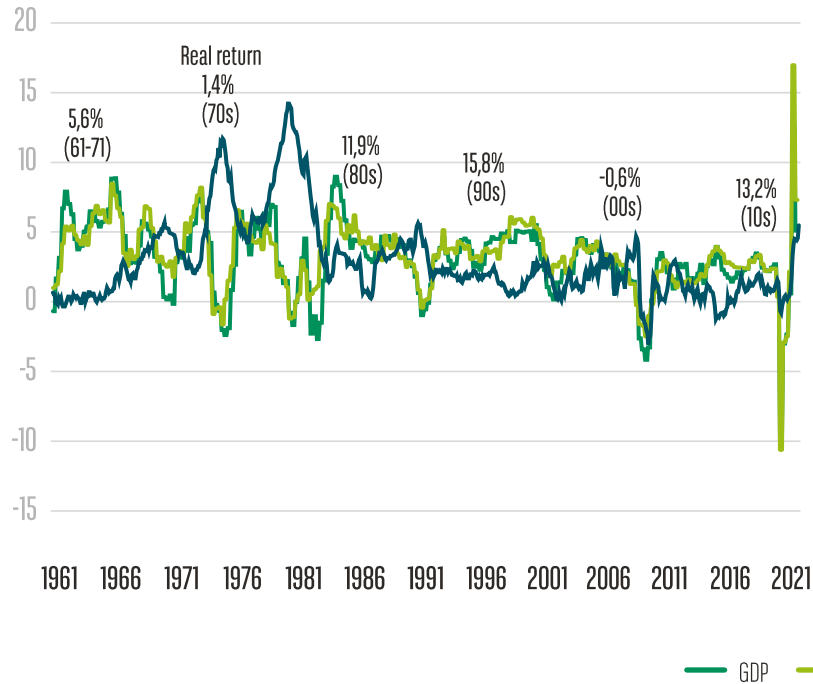
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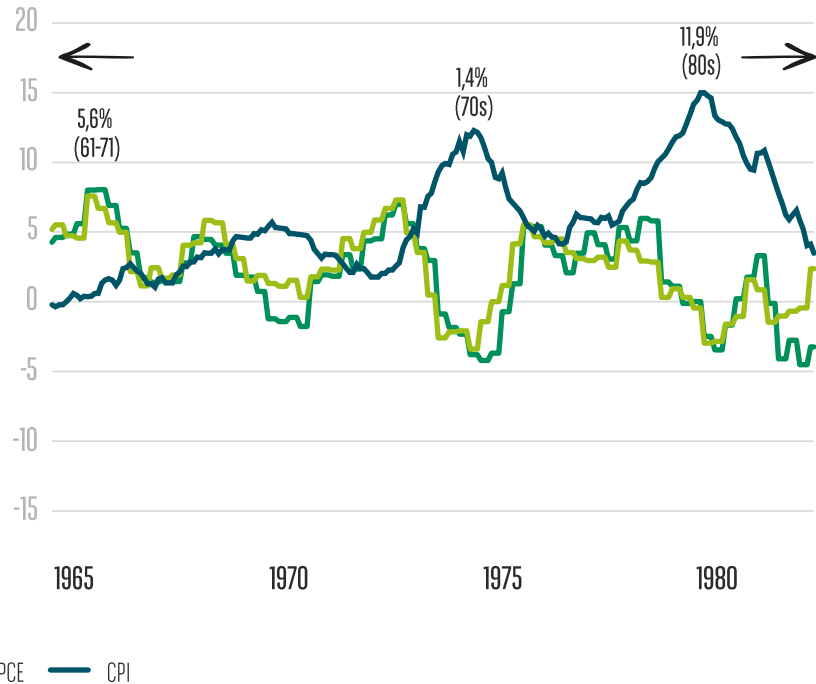


STAGFLATION = ???

US: GDP, PCE and inflation & real stock returns

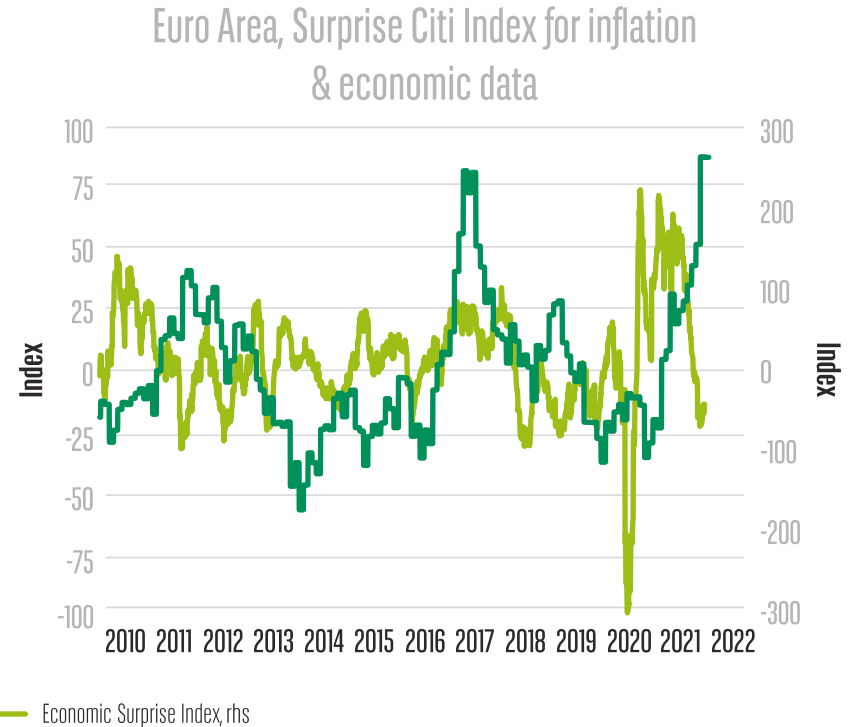
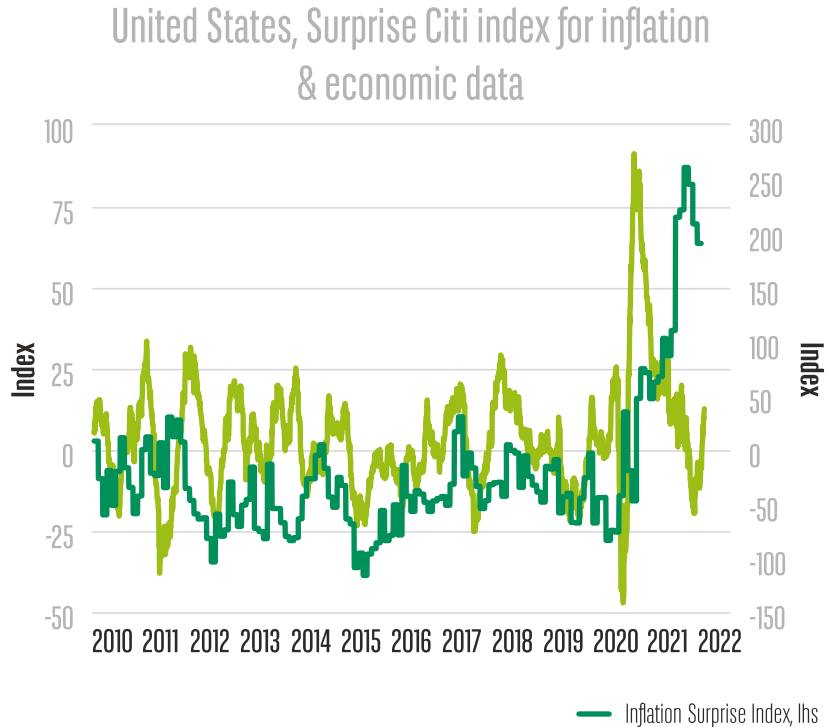


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STAGNATIONARY FEELING





'MISERY INDEX' FAR FROM LEVELS OF 70'S





*RISK
ASSESSMENT*

*PRESENT DAY
RISK FACTOR*



Fiscal Policy



Monetary Policy (Next Year)



Monetary Policy (Longer-Term)



Energy Prices



Shipping Costs



Component Shortages



Labor Shortages



Inflation Expectations



High



Moderate



Low / Moderate



Low

STAGFLATION 'THREAT MATRIX': PRESENT VS 60/70S

Sources: BCA Research

Classification : Internal



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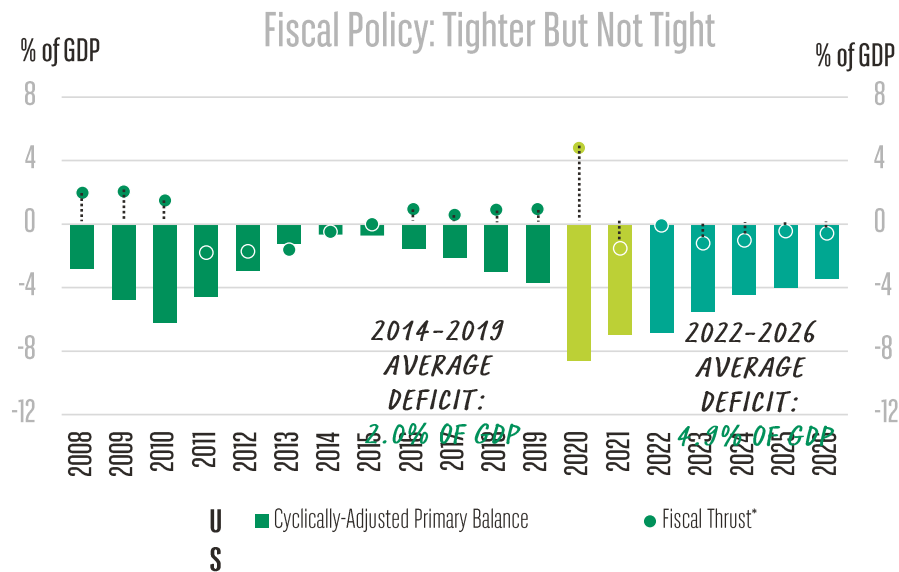


Low / Moderate



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STAGFLATION ? FUTURE FISCAL POLICY WILL COOL DOWN ... A BIT



*Negative of the annual change in the general government cyclically-adjusted primary deficit as a percentage of potential GDP.

Note: A positive fiscal thrust denotes expansionary fiscal policy. Red bars and dots represent forecasts. 2021 is an estimate.

Source: IMF fiscal monitor (October 2021)



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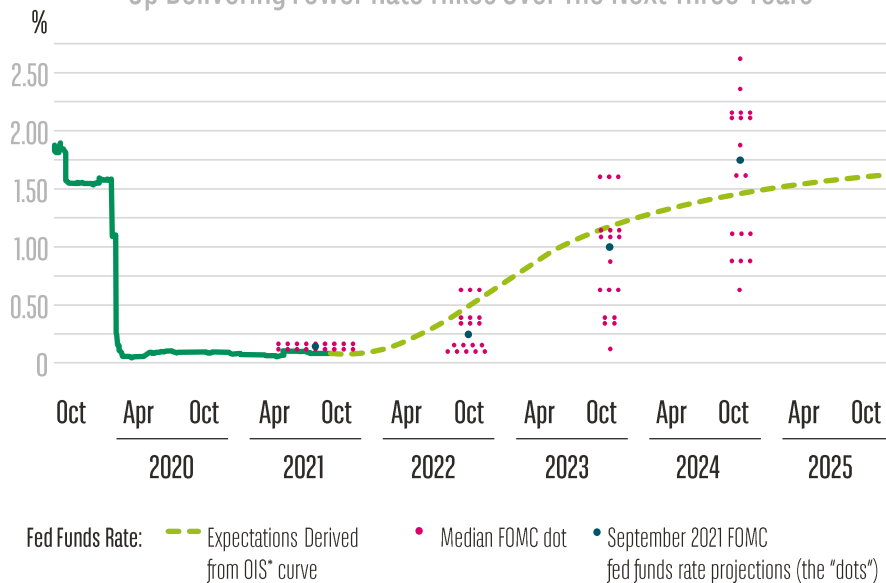
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STAGFLATION ? SHORT TERM HAWKS VERSUS LONG TERM DOVES (AIT)

Investors Expect The Fed To Initially Be A Bit More Hawkish, But End
Up Delivering Fewer Rate Hikes Over The Next Three Years



* Overnight Index Swaps.
Source: BCα Research 2021



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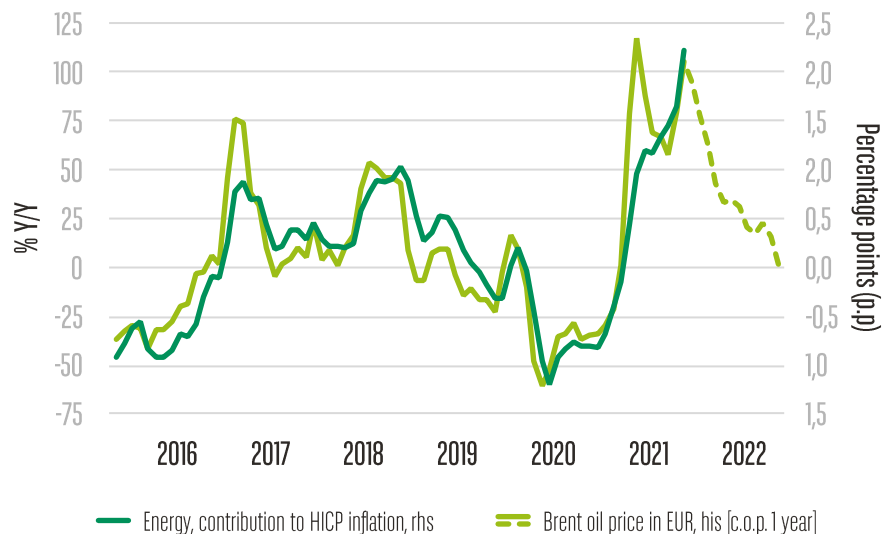
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STAGFLATION ? OIL CONTRIBUTION TO HICP WILL FALL

Oil prices and energy contributions to HICP inflation



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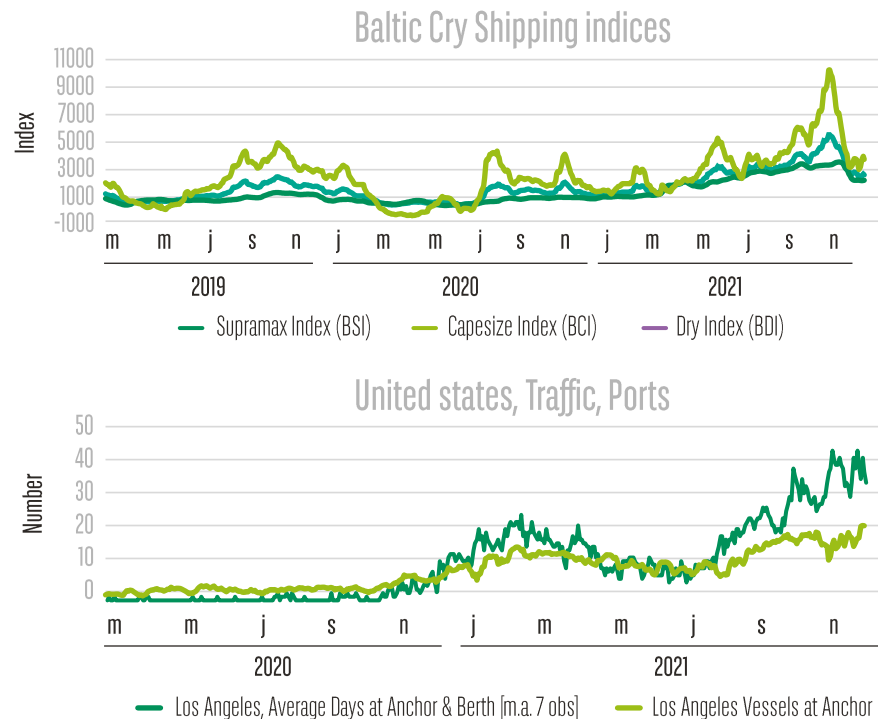
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● High ● Moderate ● Low / Moderate ● Low

STAGFLATION ? TRANSPORT (COSTS) WILL NORMALIZE





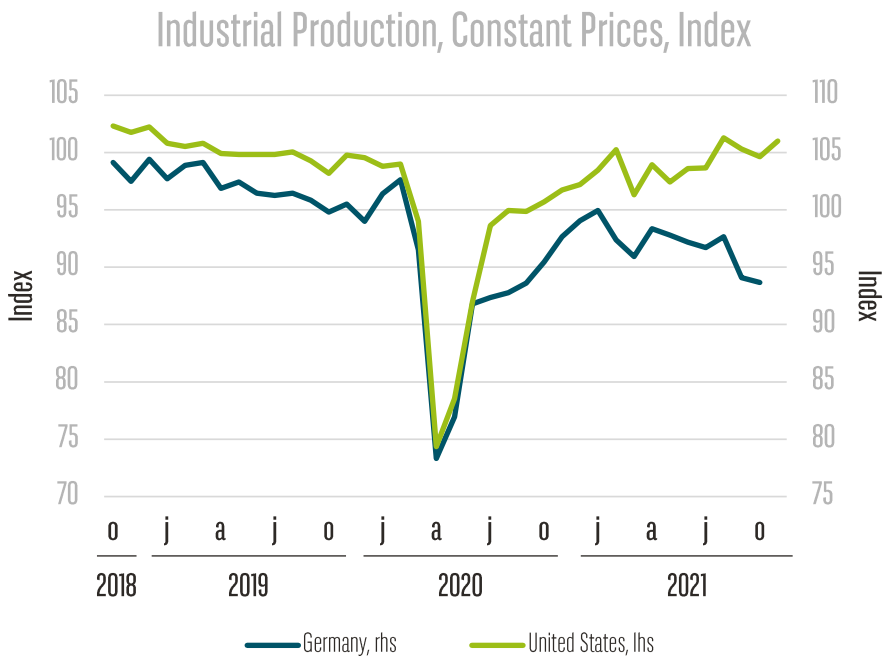
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STAGFLATION: COMPONENT SHORTAGES MORE PROBLEMATIC TODAY FOR EU THAN FOR US



Source: BNPP fortis, Macrobond

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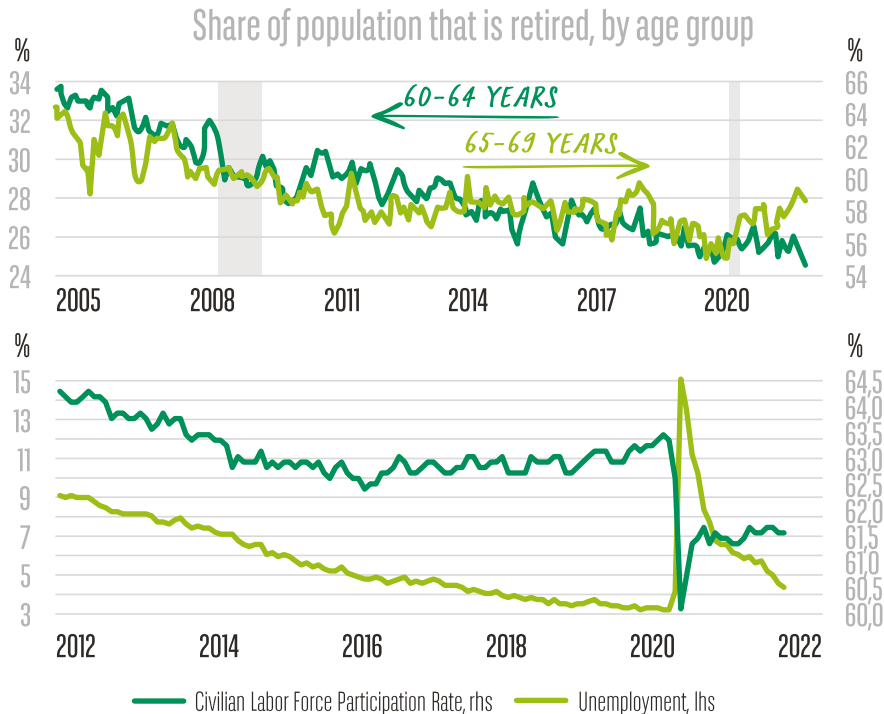
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STAGFLATION: SOME EARLY RETIREMENT BUT TEMPORARY PANDEMIC EFFECTS AS WELL



Source: IPUMS, CPS, J.P. Morgan; BNPP fortis, Macrobond

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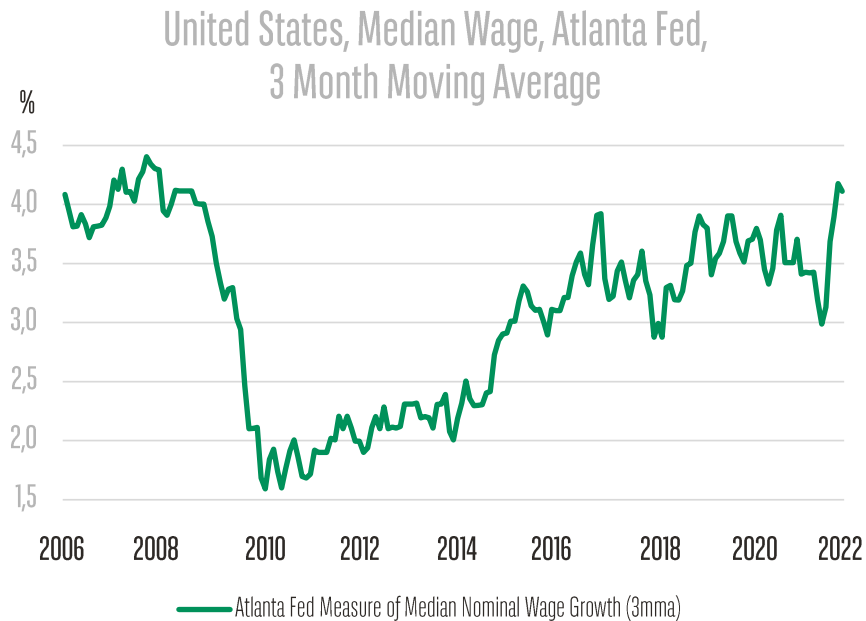
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STAGFLATION? HIGHER WAGES, BUT NO VICIOUS 'WAGE - PRICE' SPIRAL YET



Source: BNPP fortis, Macrobond

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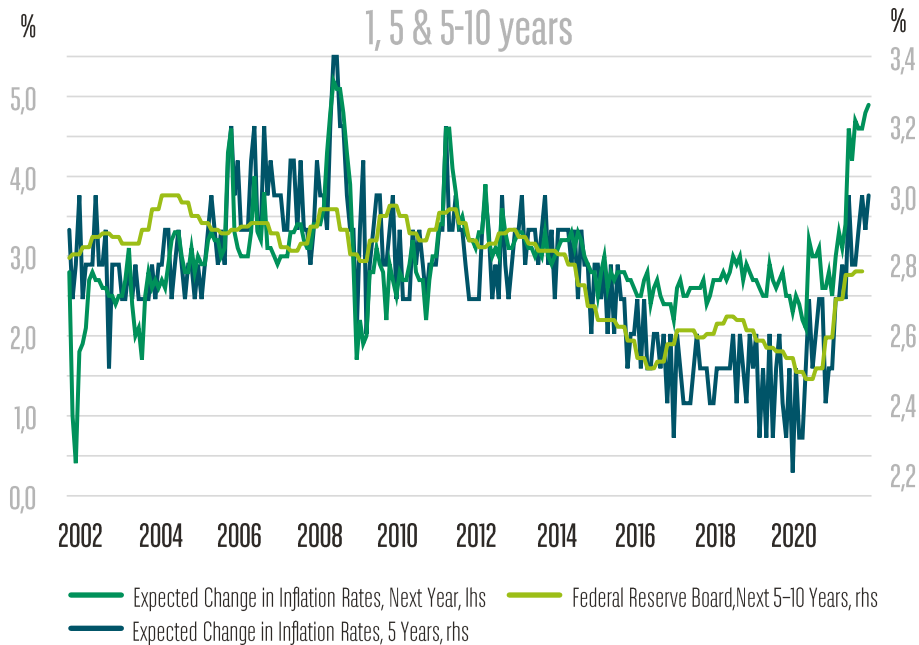
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STAGFLATION? INFLATION EXPECTATION UP BUT NOT GONE

United States, Consumer Survey of inflation expectations,
1, 5 & 5-10 years



Source: BNPP fortis, Macrobond

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**“STAGFLATION IS A RISK,
NOT A LIKELY EVENT”**

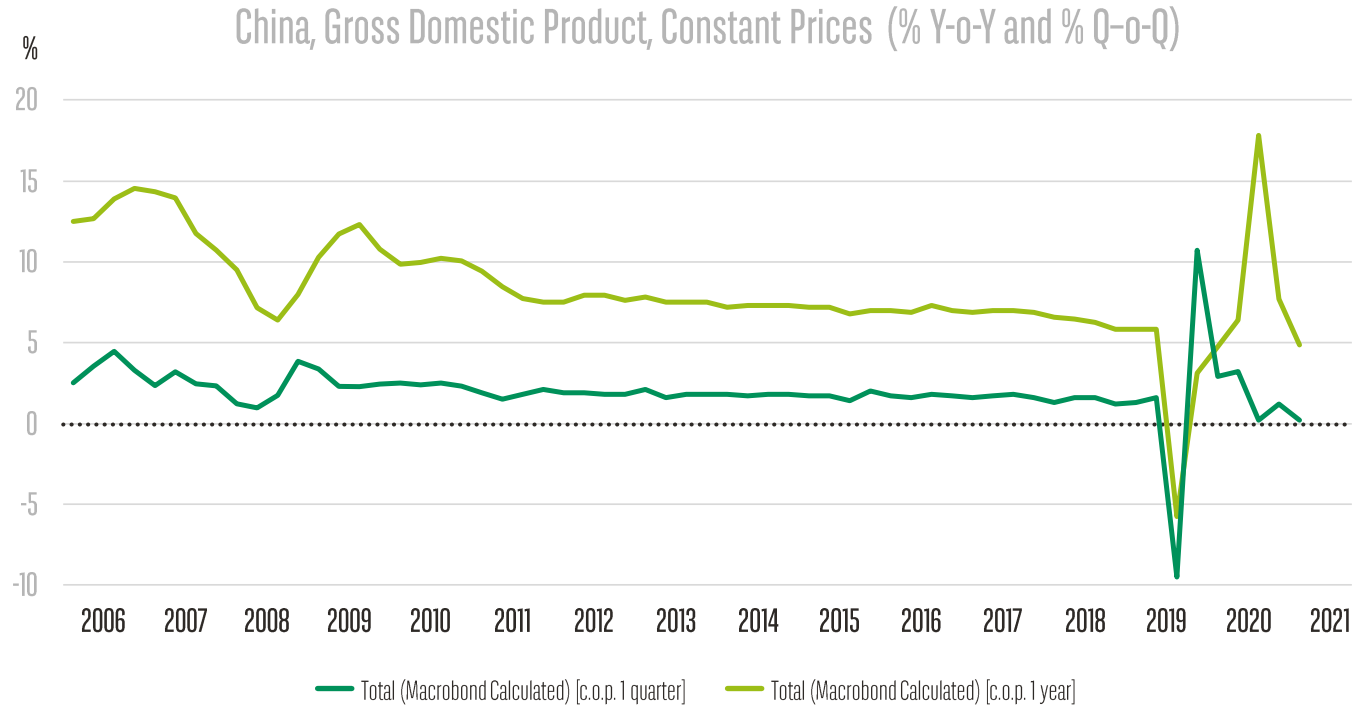
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China's troubles
to the world's rescue ?



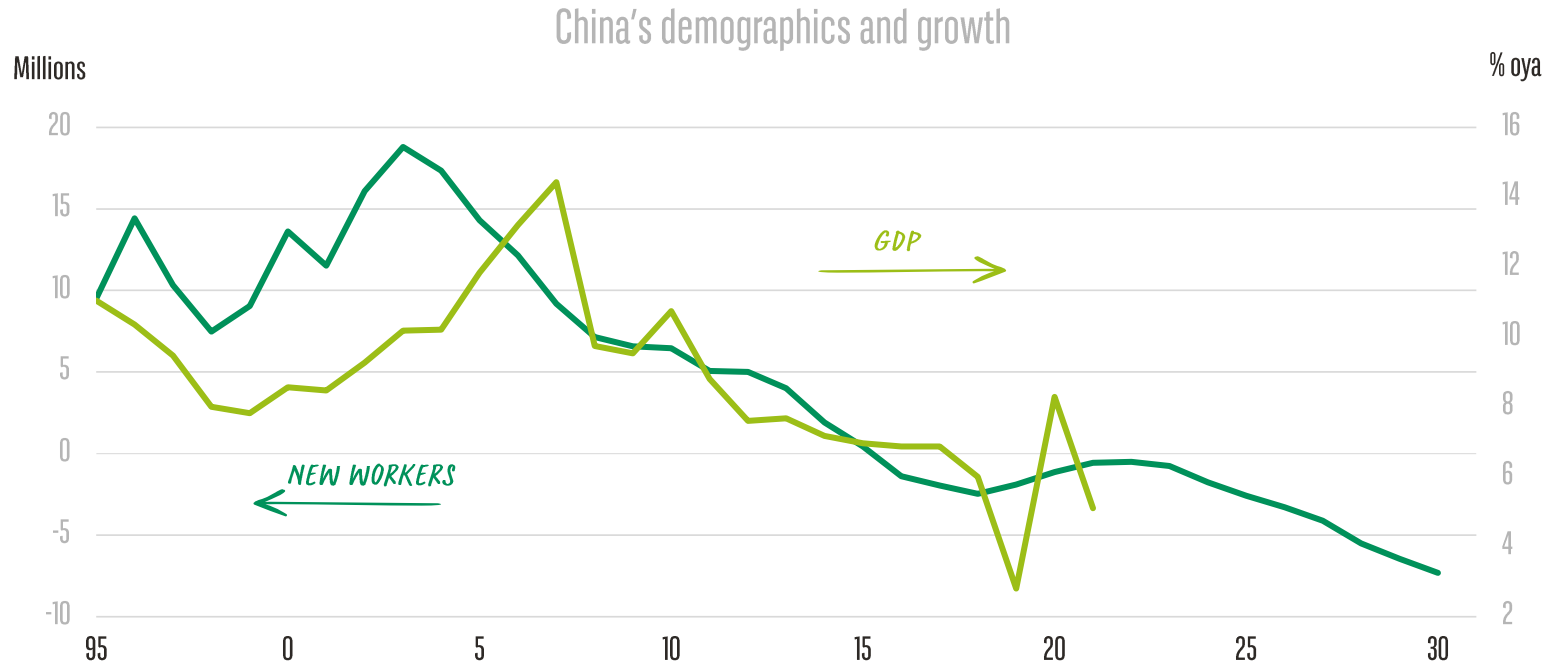


DEFLATION COMING FROM CHINA ?



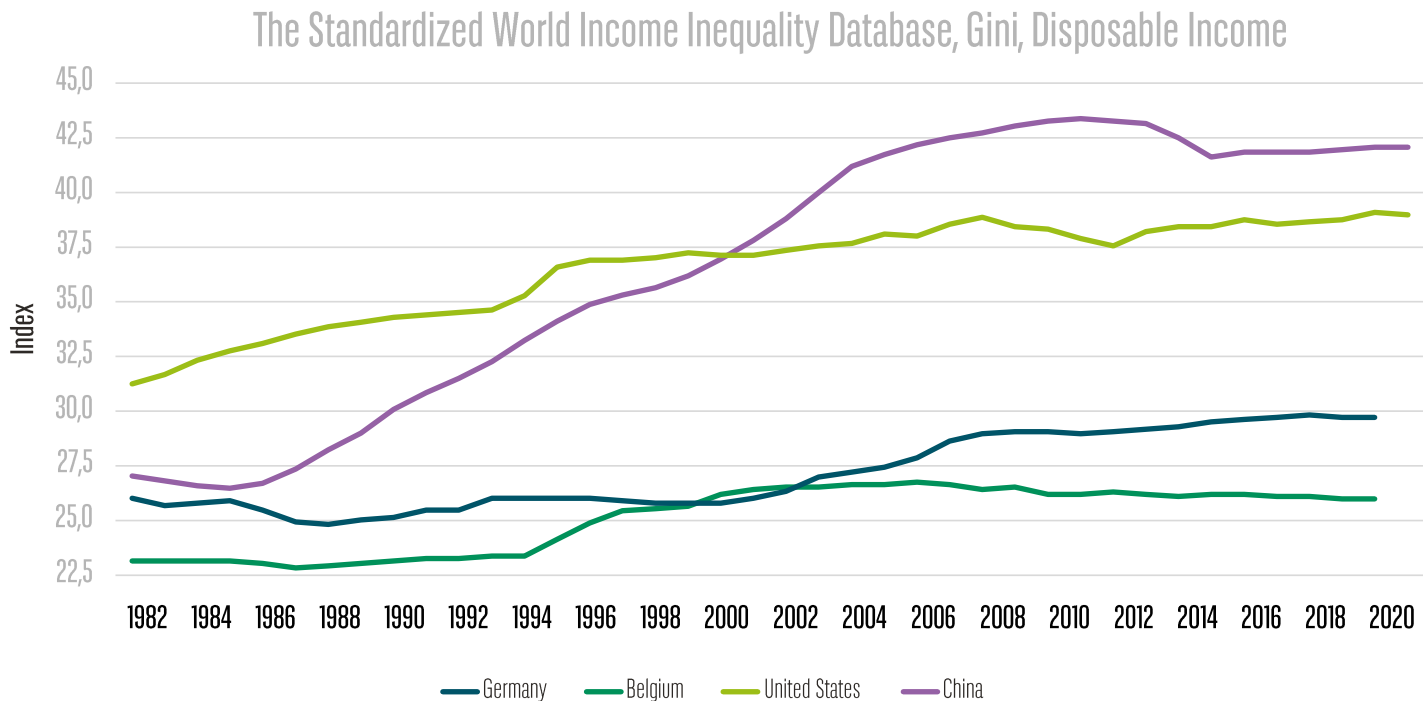


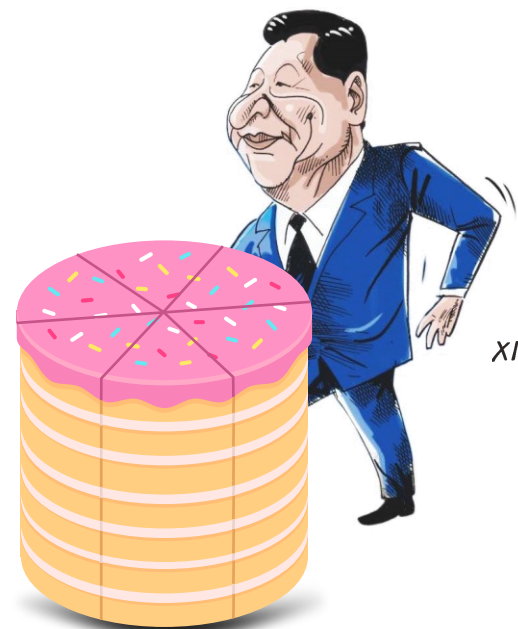
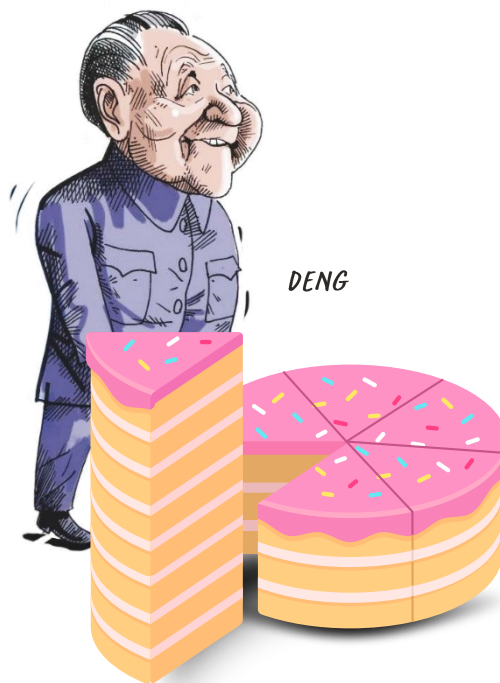
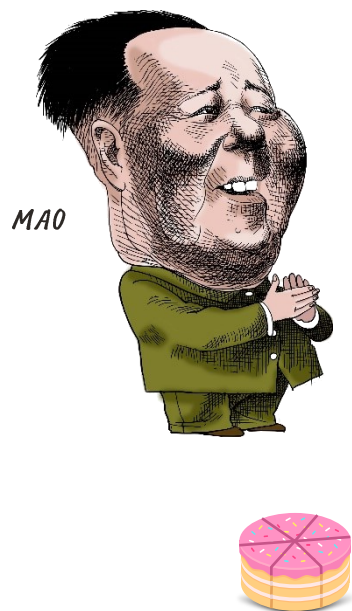
CHANGING STRATEGY BECAUSE OF **STRUCTURAL LOWER GROWTH**





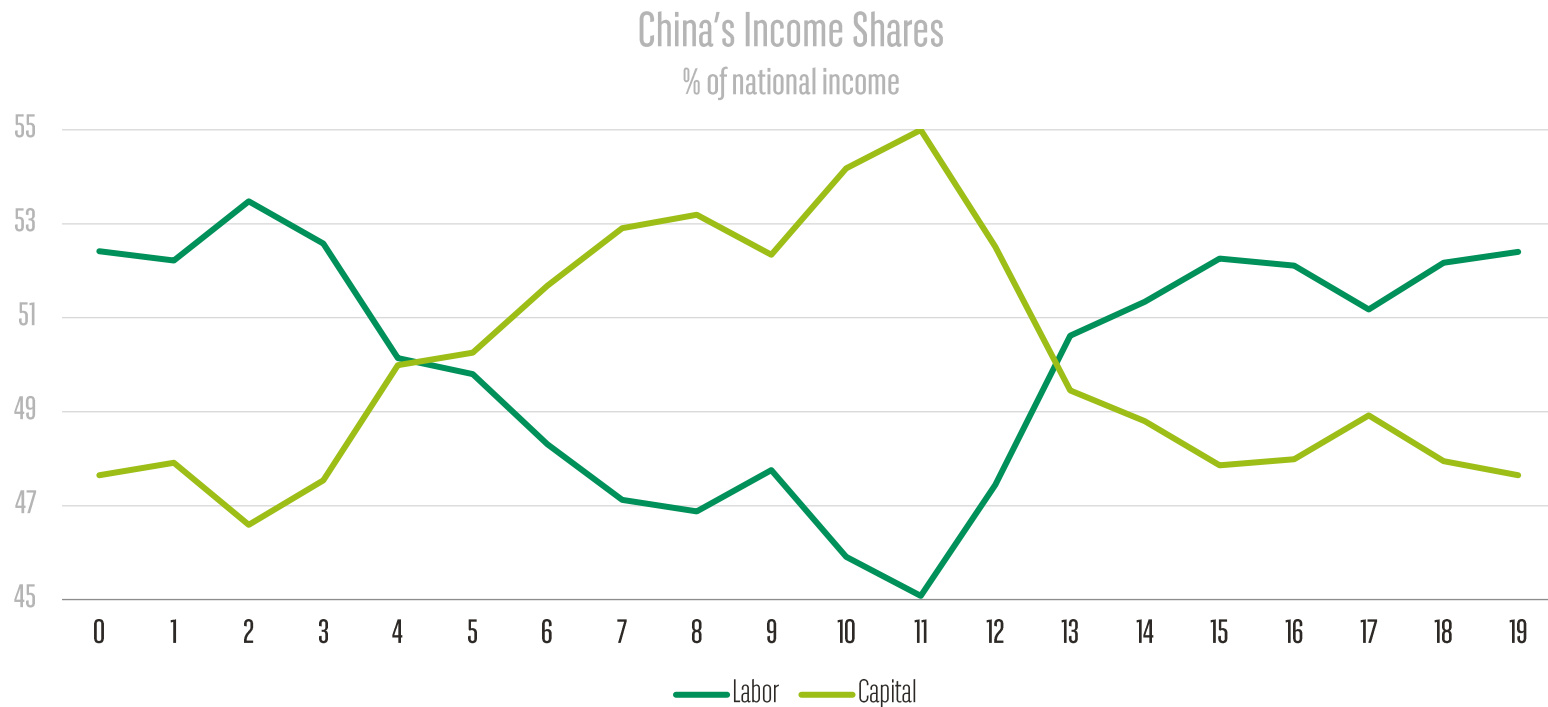
A BIGGER PIE AND MORE EQUAL SHARE





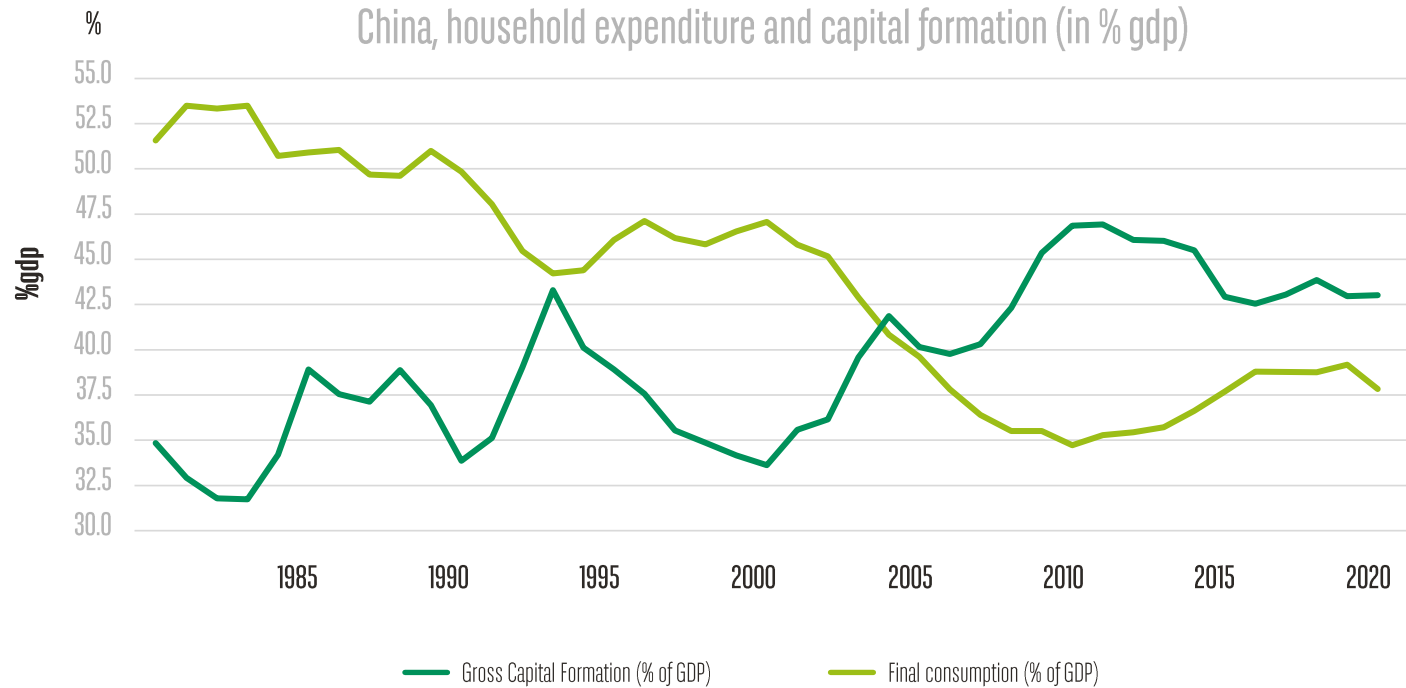


... NEEDS HIGHER **LABOR SHARE**





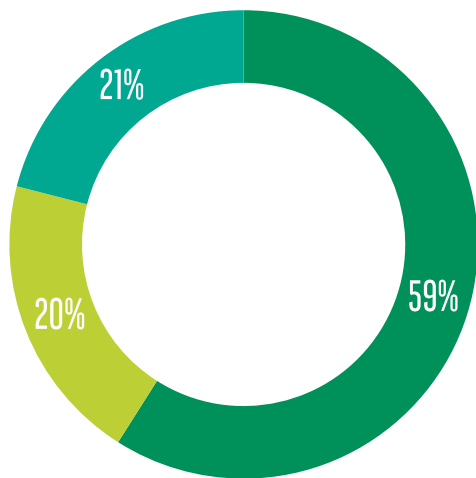
FROM INVESTMENT TO CONSUMPTION BASED GROWTH





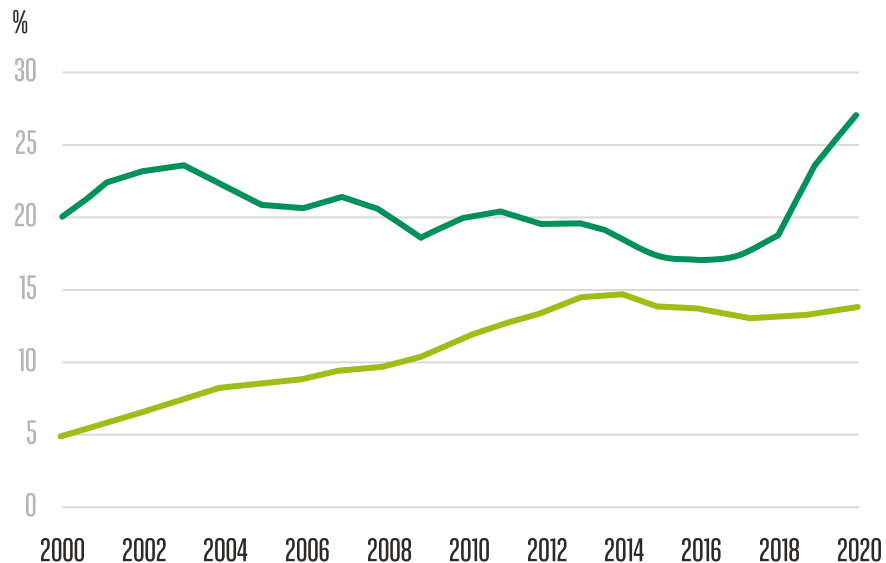
HOUSING WEALTH IS KEY FOR CONSUMPTION & ECONOMY

Breakdown of Chinese household assets
(2019)



■ Housing ■ Financial assets ■ Other physical assets

The property sector's contribution to GDP (%)

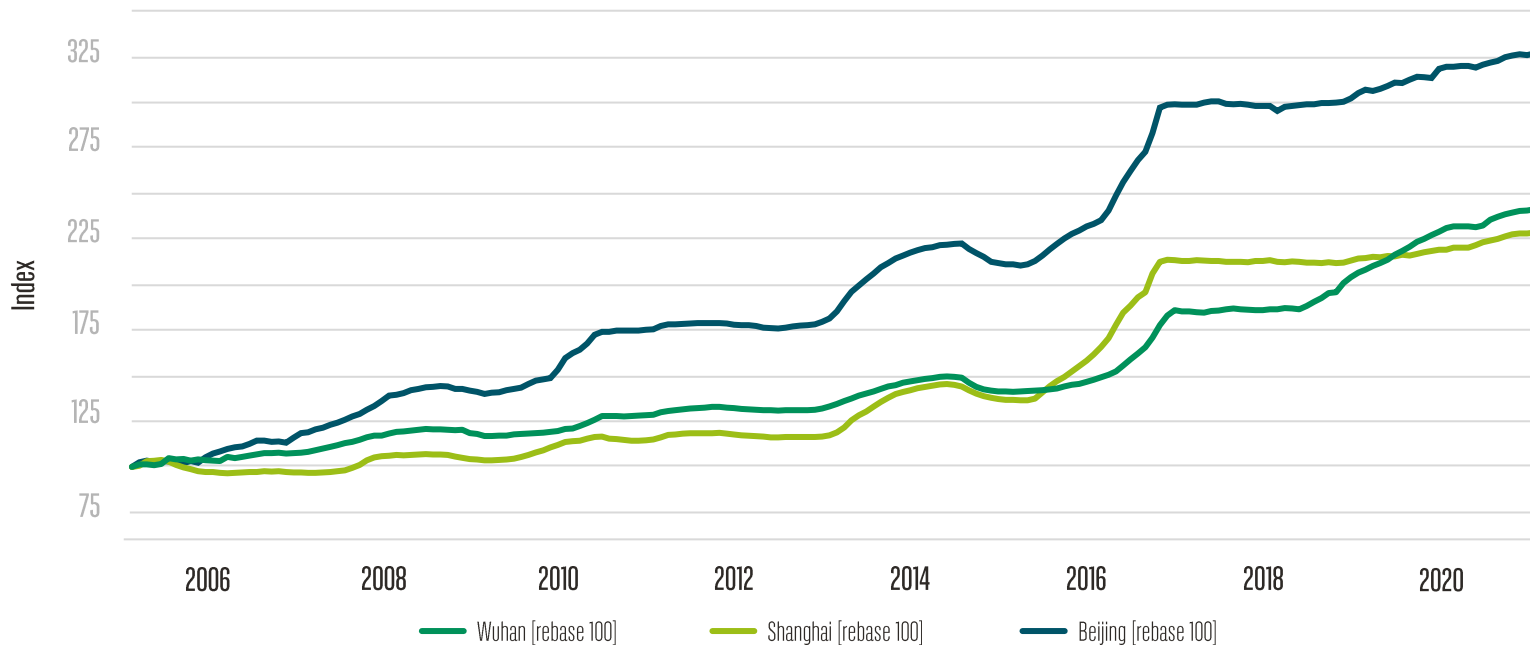


— Real estate investment/ FAI — Real estate investment/ GDP



HOUSING PRICES INCREASED STEADILY

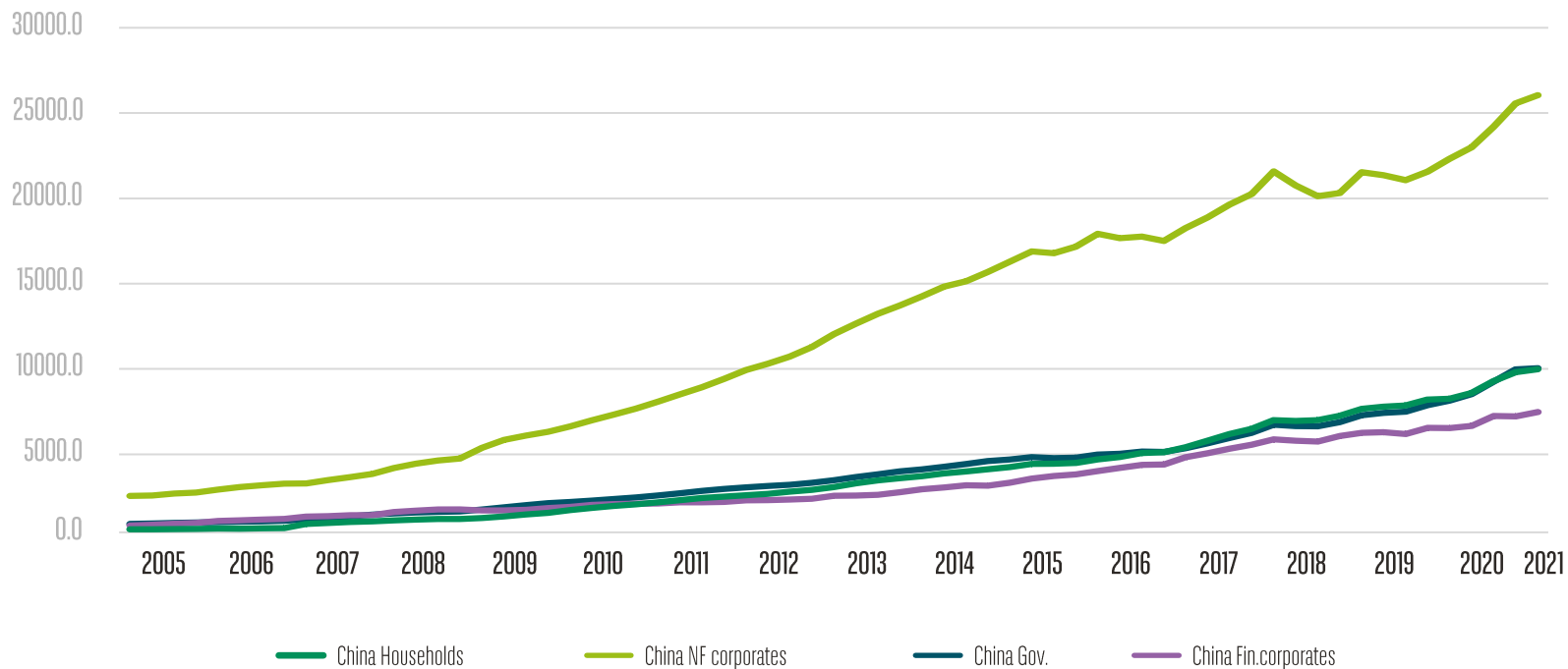
China, Real Estate Prices, Primary Market, Commercialized Residential Buildings





BUT DEBT EXPLODED

Evolution Chinese debt , in Bn. USD



THREE + TWO RED LINE

Limit debt RE Developers

Equity / debt

Adjusted liabilities / assets

Cash coverage

Limit banks exposure

Cap on property exposure

Cap on mortgage exposure



> Concerns government:

- Risk future market corrections in housing
- Crowd out investment in desirable areas incl. manufacturing upgrades, green sectors, SME's and rural areas





REAL ESTATE DEVELOPERS IN TROUBLE

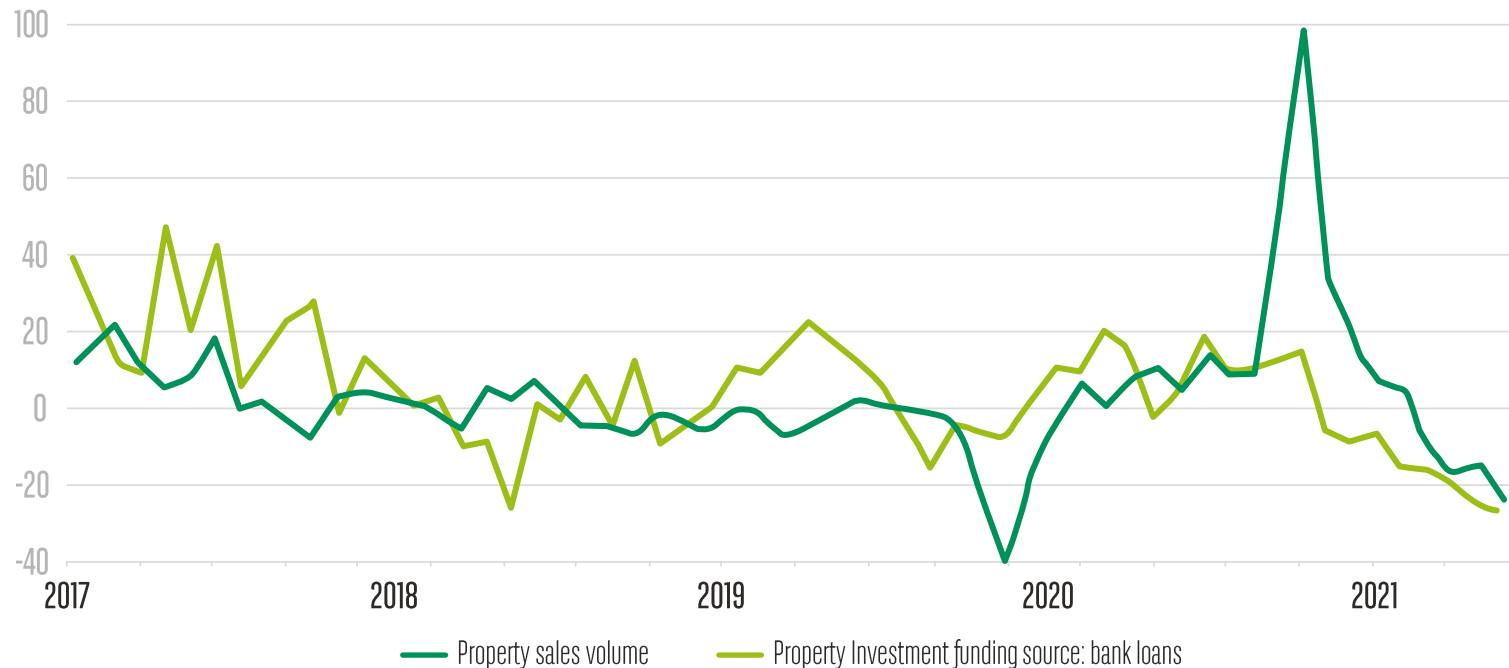
Chinese junk bond yields have risen to their highest level since the global financial crisis





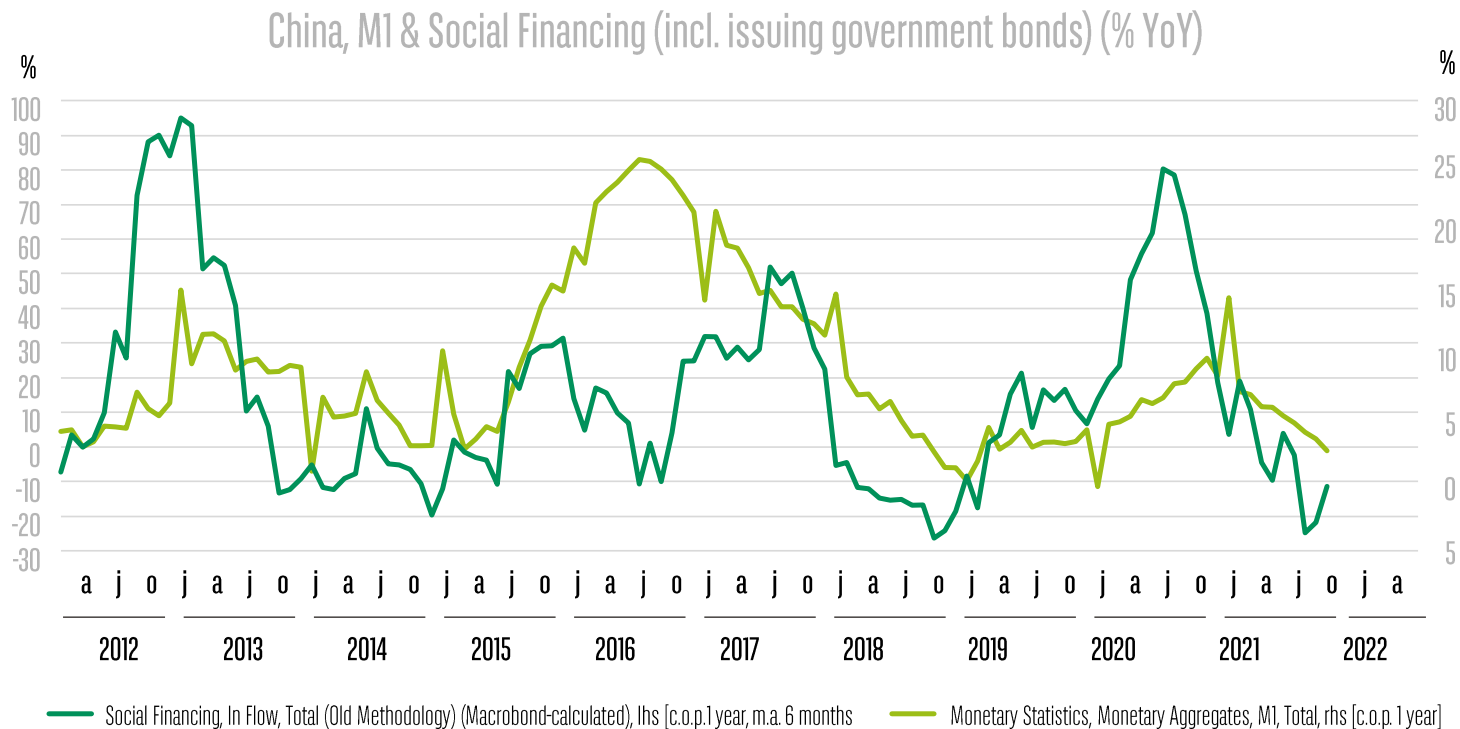
HOUSE PRICES RECEDE, **PROPERTY INVESTMENT UNDER PRESSURE**

Property sales & bank lending to developers (% y/y)





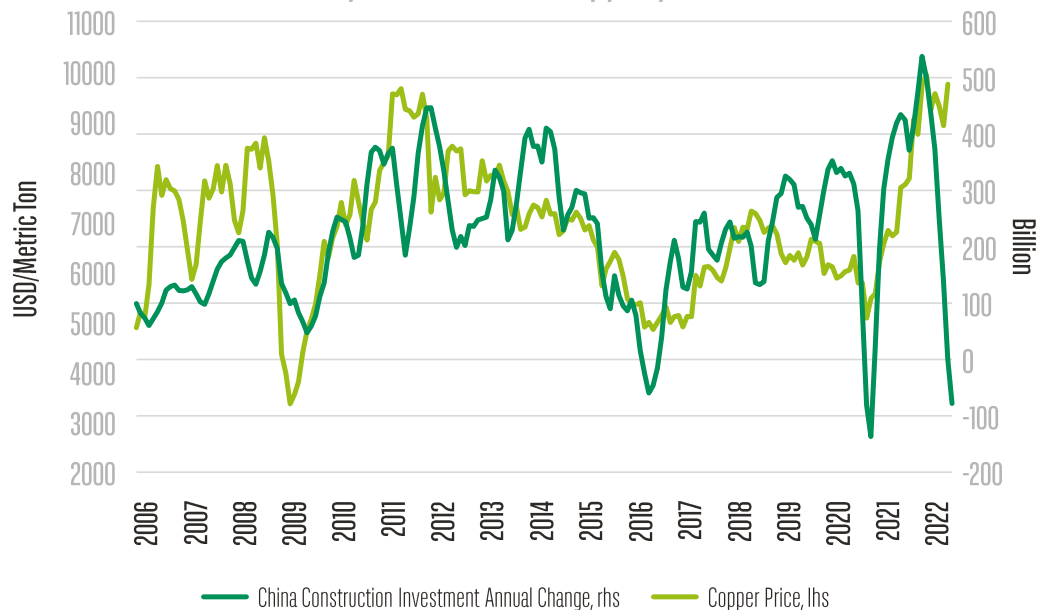
AFTER TIGHTENING, LOOSENING OF MONETARY & FISCAL POLICY IS LIKELY



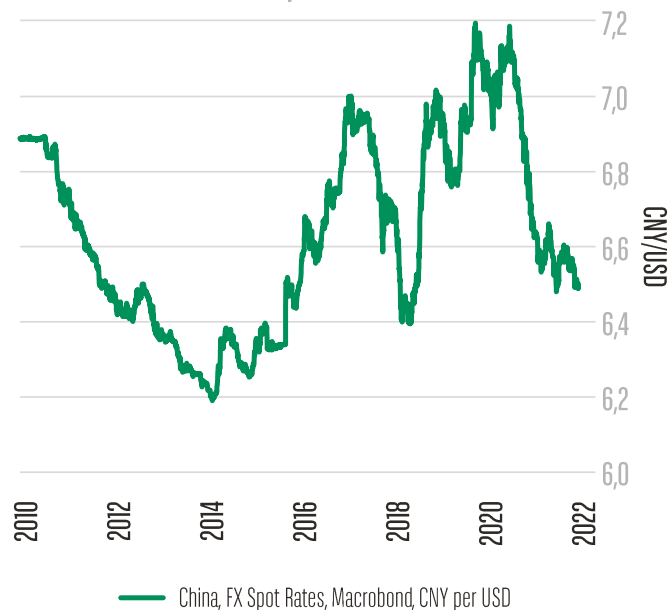


AFTER TIGHTENING, NOW POLICY LOOSENING AND **RENMINBI DEPRECIATION**

China construction investment
points to lower copper prices

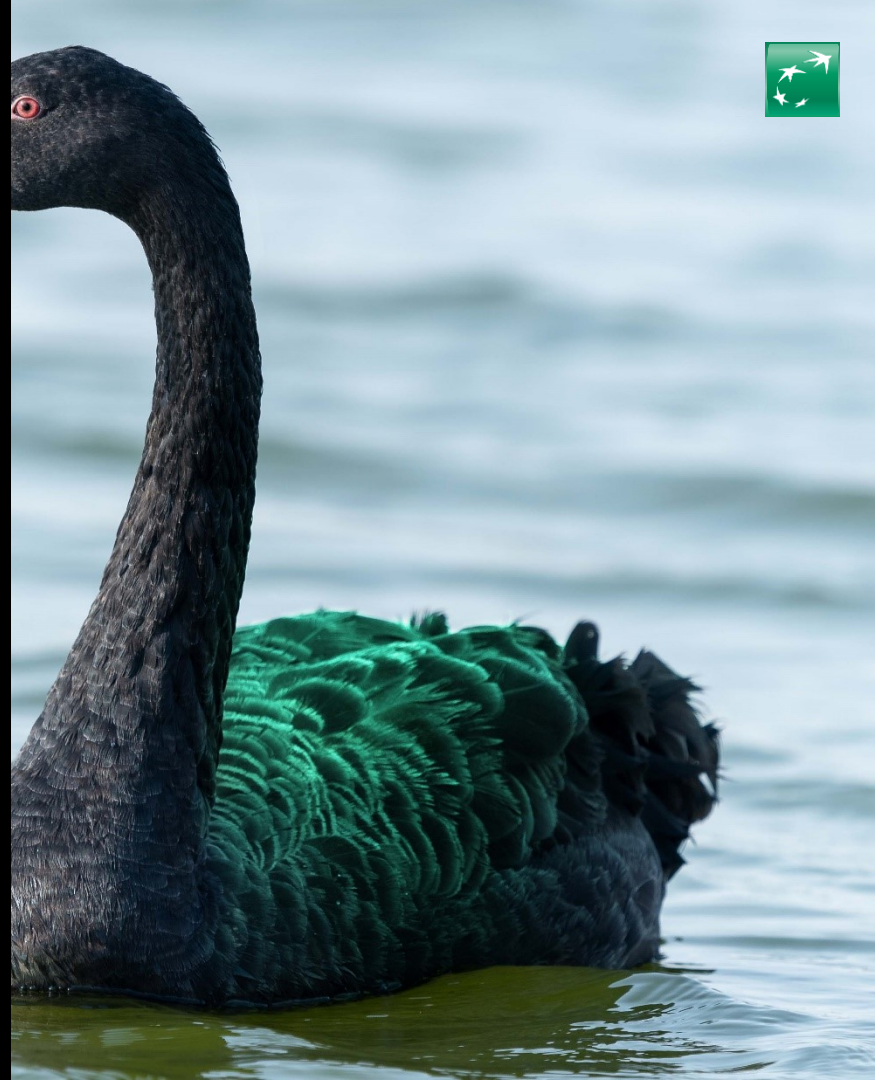


China, FX Spot Rates,
CNY per USD



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Green swan: slow implementation of carbon tax



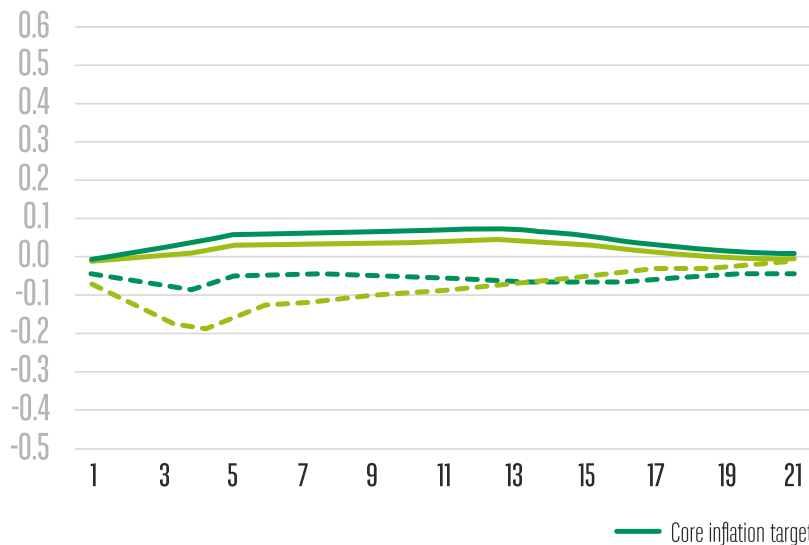


LONG TERM: GREEN SWAN

Impact of orderly and disorderly transition on inflation and GDP growth

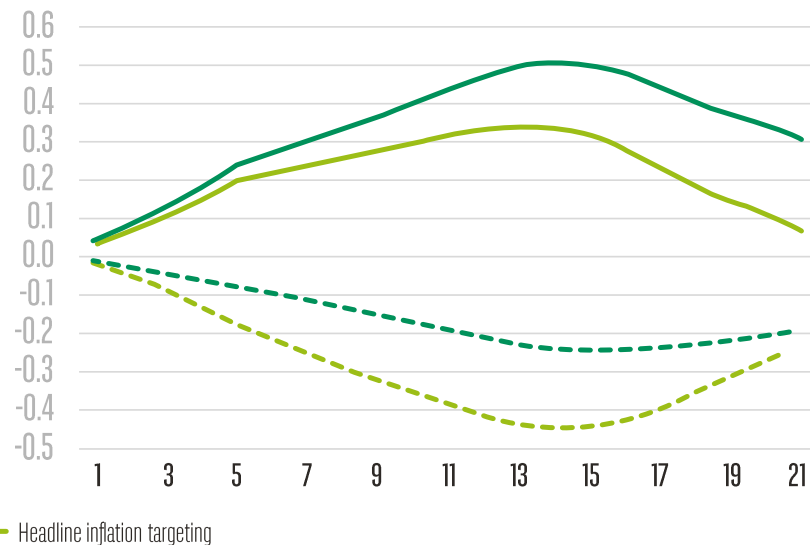
Orderly transition

deviation from steady state, annual rate in percentage points



Disorderly transition

deviation from steady state, annual rate in percentage points



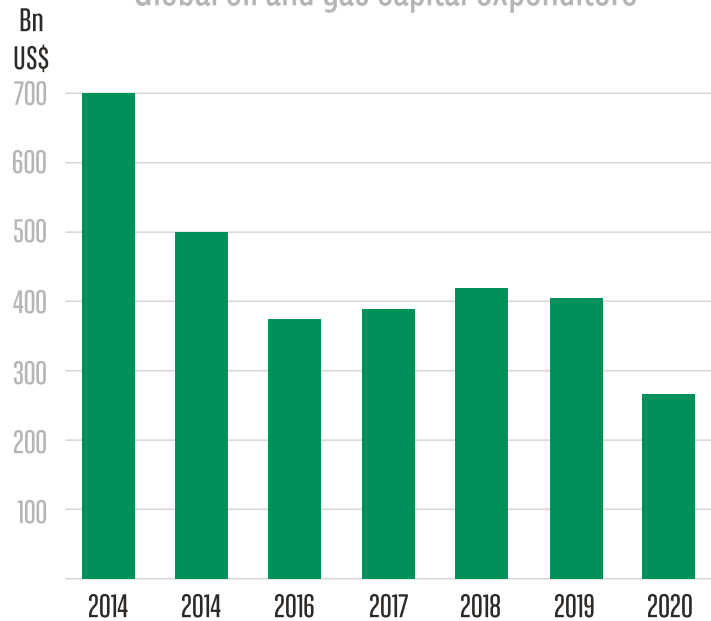
Sources: ECB simulations based on the scenarios in Allen et al. (2020)

Note: Headline inflation shown in solid lines, GDP growth in dashed lines

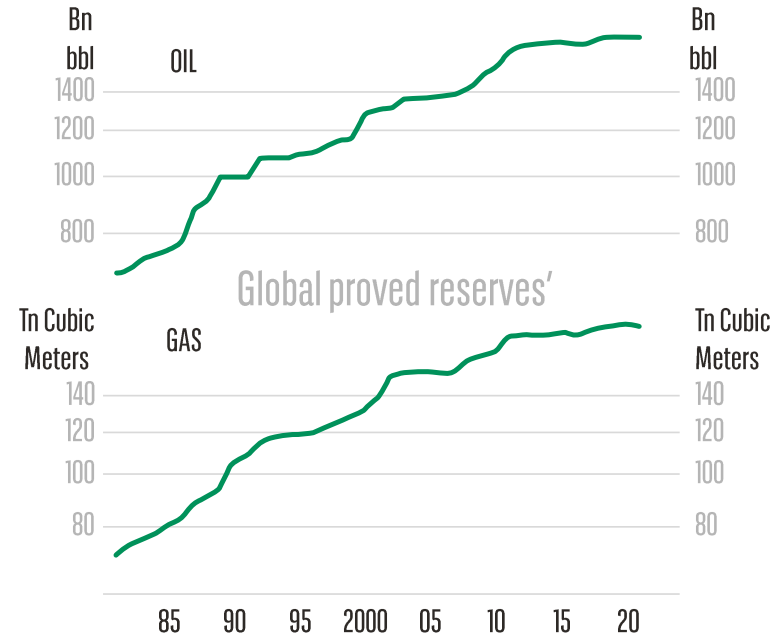


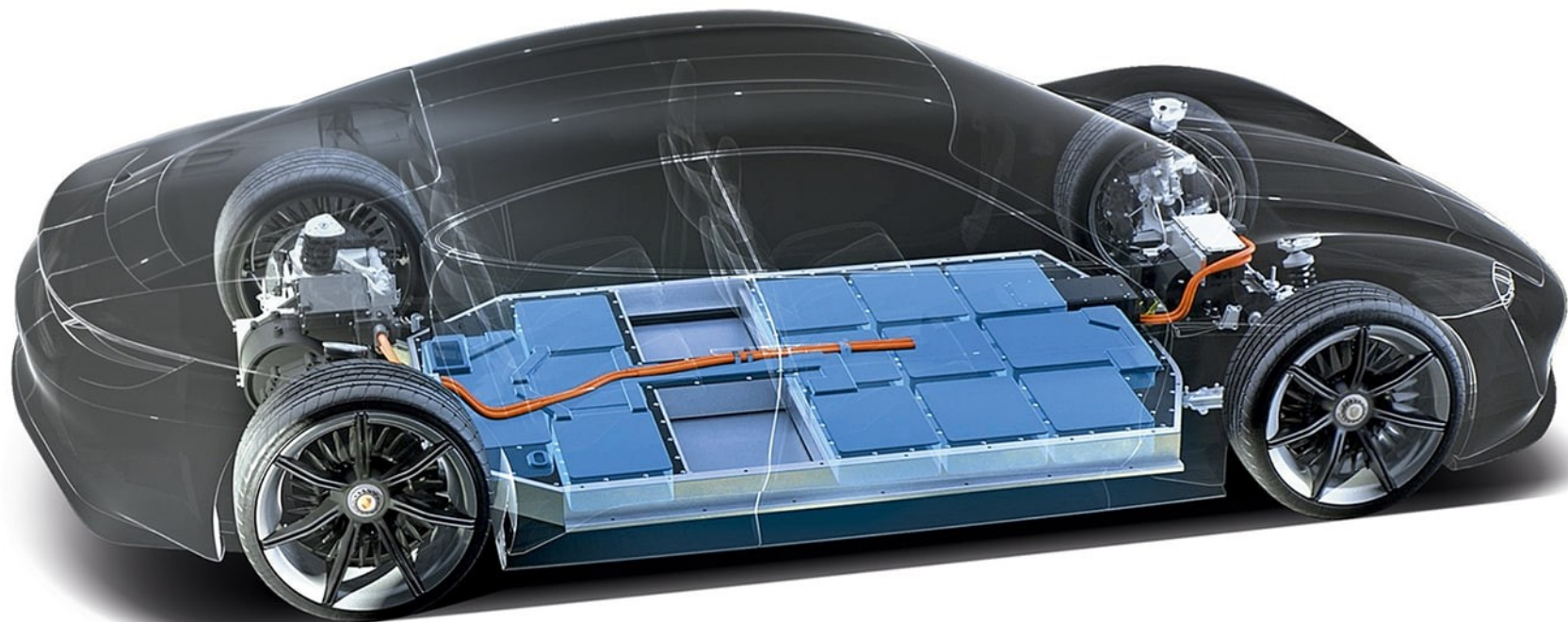
LONG TERM: GOING FROM PEAK OIL

... But Lack of investment will keep supply tight
Global oil and gas capital expenditure



Oil and Gas reserves have barely grown over the past decade





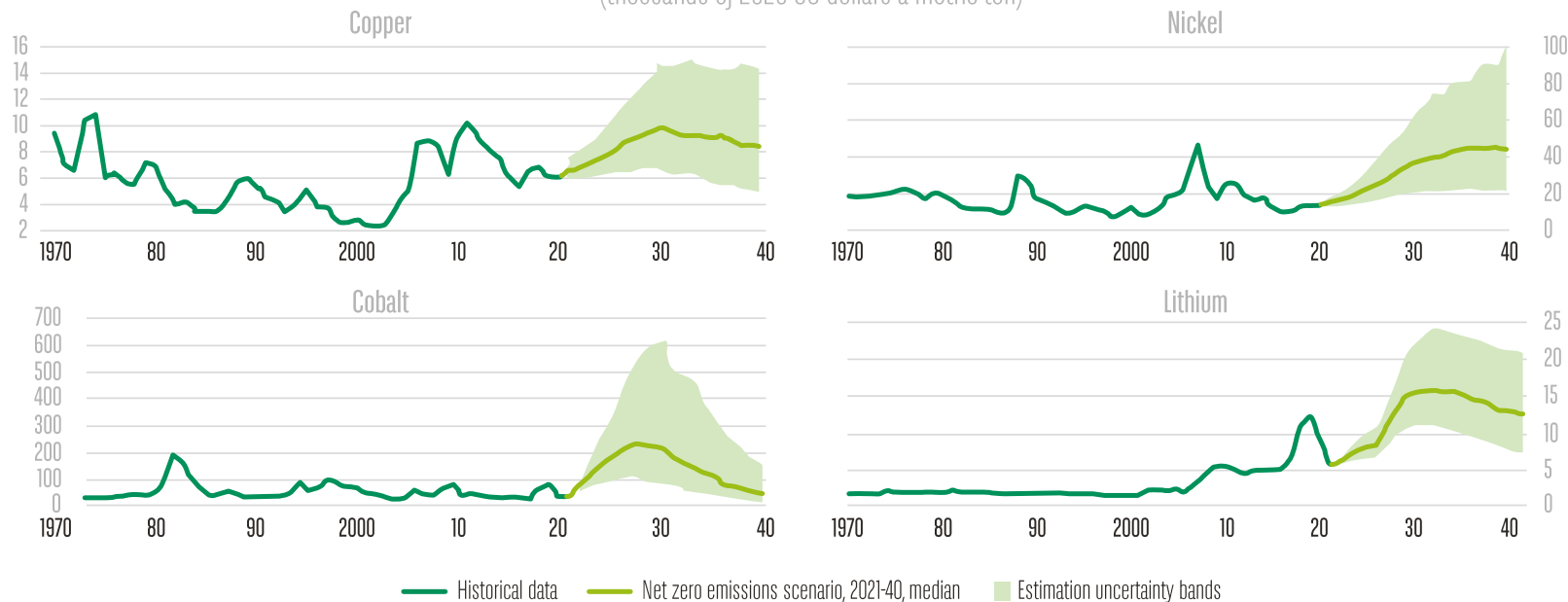




... TO PEAKING NICOLICO PRICES

Metal price scenarios

Some would reach historical peaks for an unprecedented, sustained period under a net-zero emissions by 2050 scenario
(thousands of 2020 US dollars a metric ton)



Sources: International Energy Agency (IEA); Schwerhoff and Stuermer (2020); US Bureau of Labor Statistics; US Geological Survey; and IMF staff calculations

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... TO PEAKING NICKEL / COPPER / COBALT / LITHIUM PRICES

Estimated accumulation value of global metal production from 2021-2040

	Historical 1999-2018	Stated Policy Scenario 2021-2040	Net-Zero Scenario 2021-2040
SELECTED METALS	3,043	4,974	13,007
Copper	2,382	3,456	6,135
Nickel	563	1,225	4,147
Cobalt	80	152	1,556
Lithium	18	18	1,170
FOSSIL FUELS	70,900		19,101
Crude Oil	41,819	-	12,906
Natural Gas	17,587	-	3,2997
Coal	10,68	-	2,898

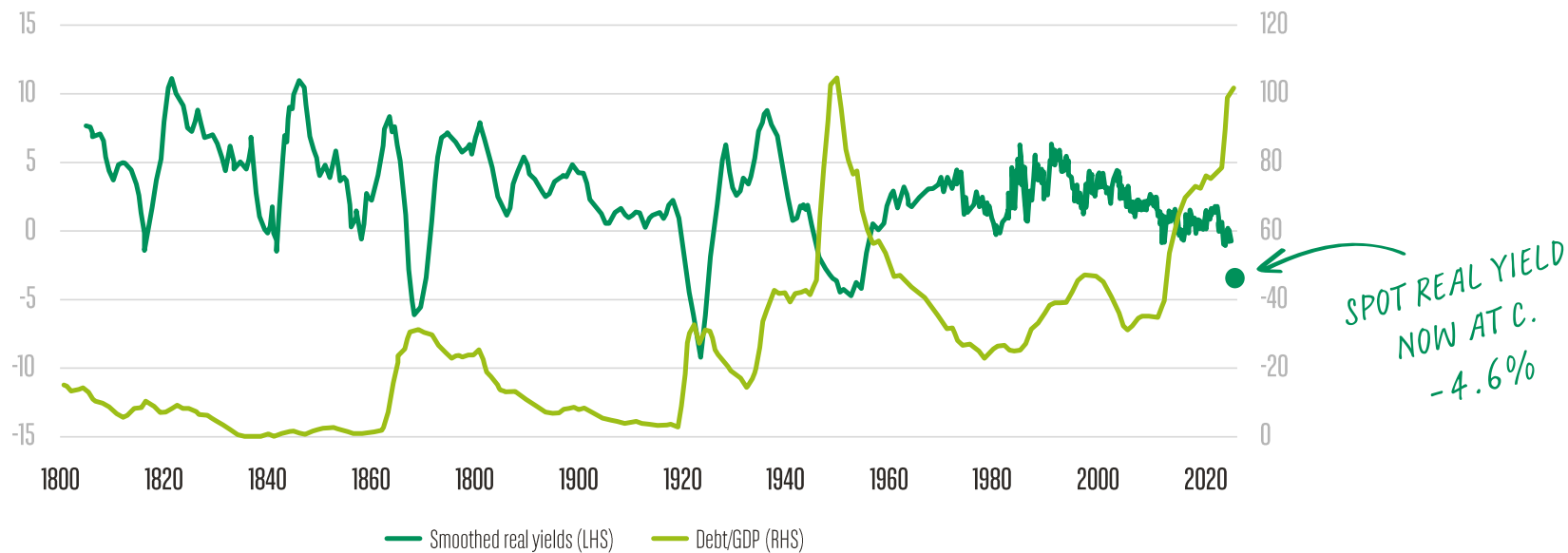
Note: Estimates are in billion 2020 USD

Sources: IMF, Energy Transition Metals



LONG TERM: FISCAL DOMINATION (WHENEVER DEBT WAS HIGH)

Smoothed 10yr real yields (using 5yr rolling average of CPI) and the debt-to-GDP ratio.
Real yields have always been deeply negative when debt has spiked...

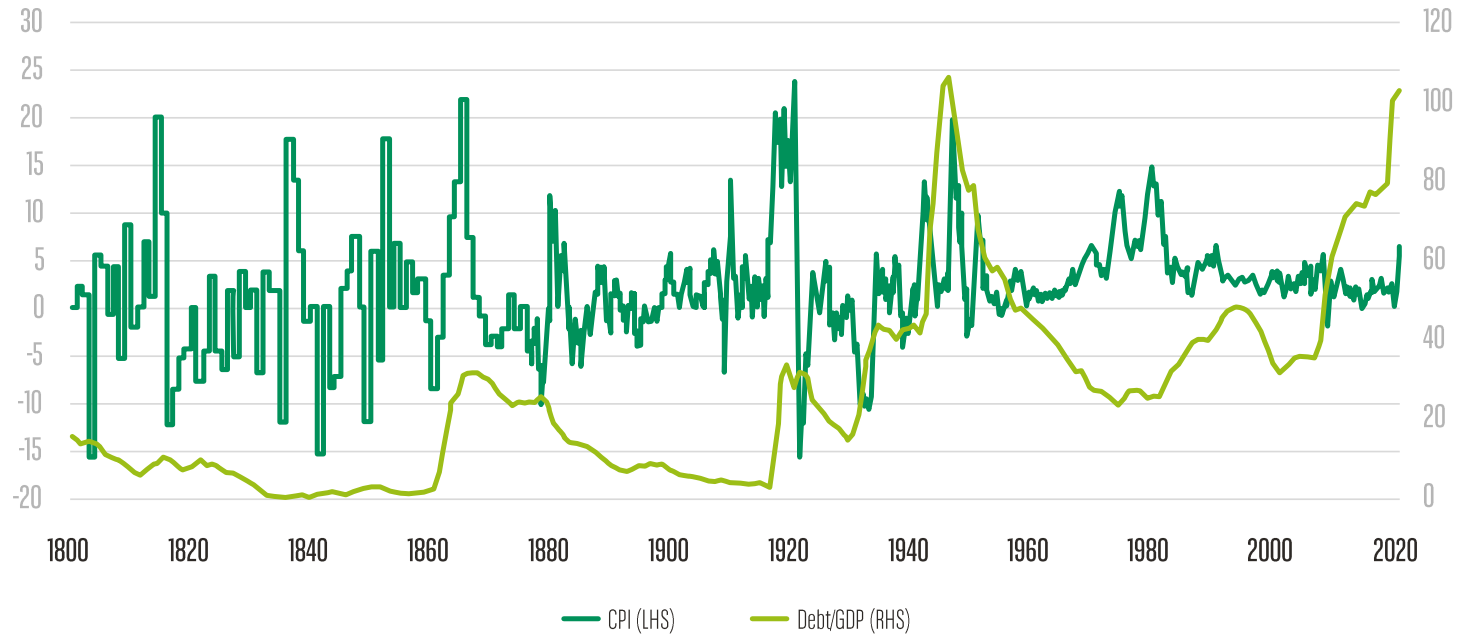






LONG TERM: FISCAL DOMINATION (WHENEVER DEBT WAS HIGH)

US CPI Inflation and the debt-to-gdp ratio – CPI has always spiked when debt has spiked...







WRAP UP

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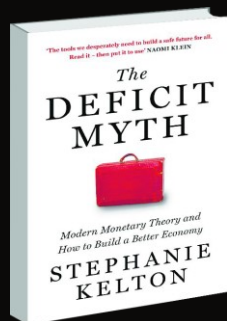
Central Banks and Green (& other) Swans

TOWARDS A POST CORONA WORLD

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KEY QUESTIONS

After the good market returns, **what next?**

Covid: what outlook?

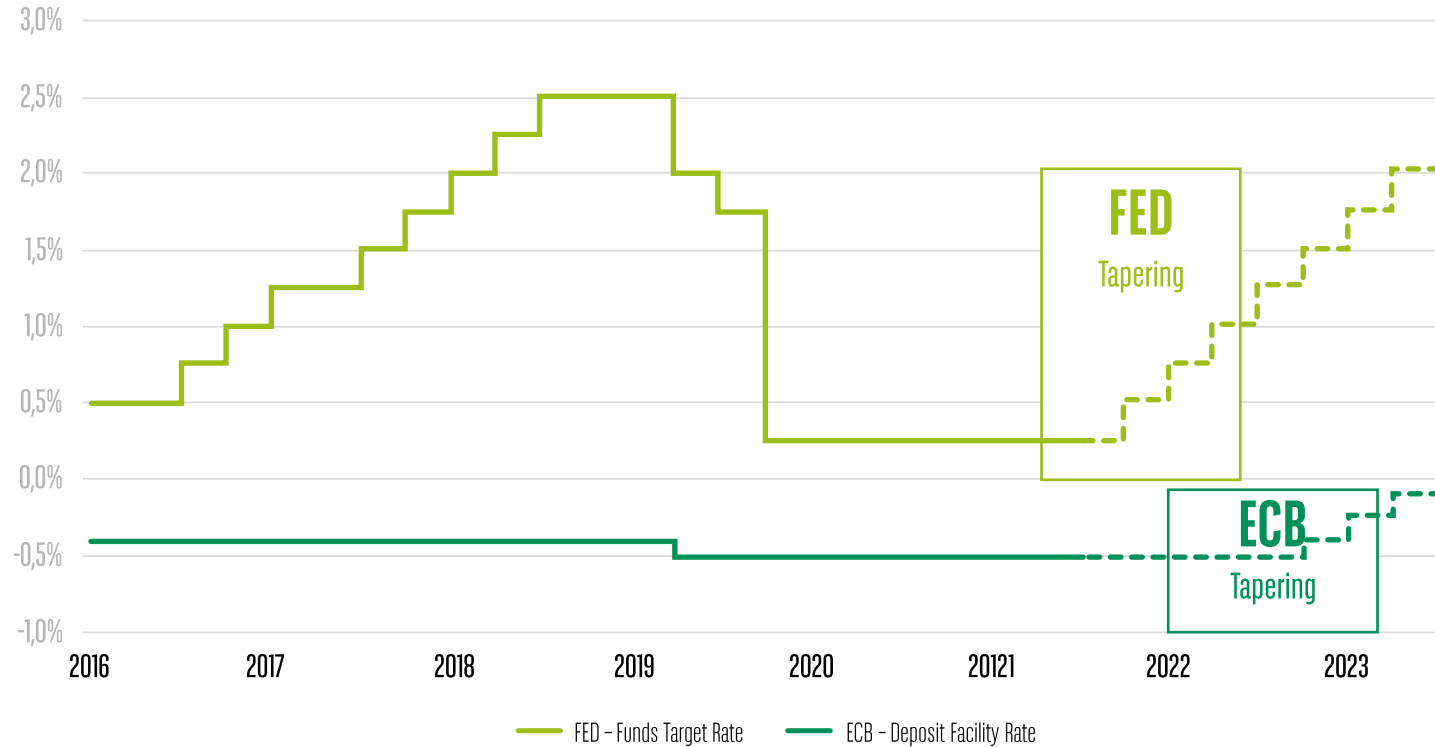
Inflation: transitory or sticky?

Growth: peak?

Earnings: trust high expectations?



PROJECTED POLICY RATES **FED & ECB**



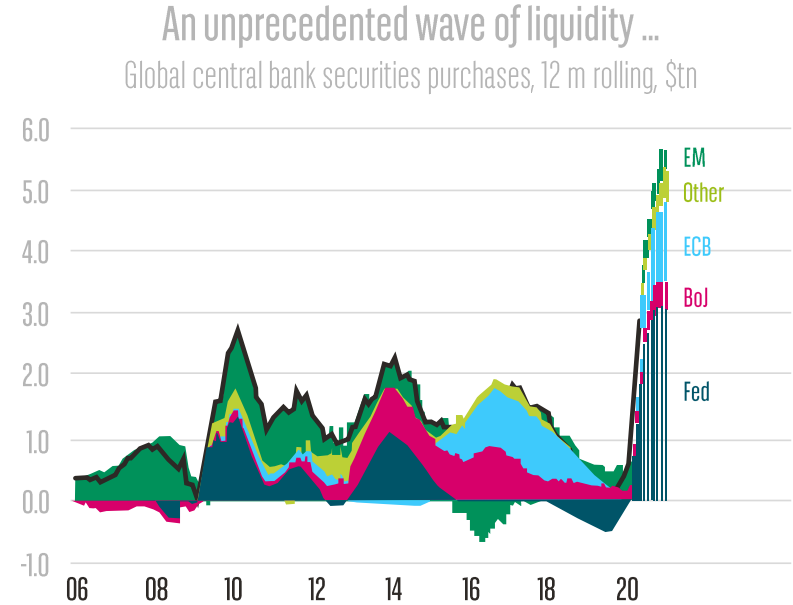
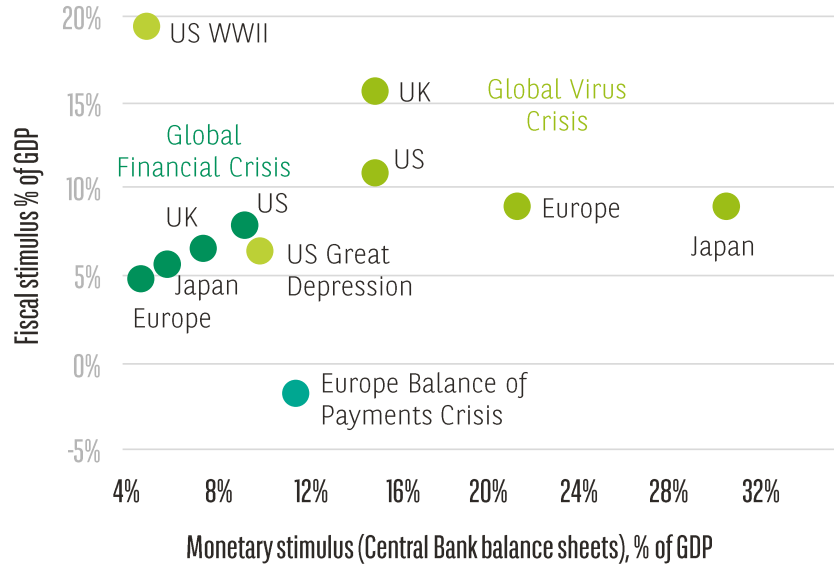


NEGATIVE REAL RATES → BUY REAL ASSETS





A CAR WITH TWO ACCELERATORS BUT NO BRAKE...



Sources: National central banks, Citi Research. Projections based on CB announcements;
See whatever it takes? Why \$5tn may not be enough, H. Lorenzen & M. King, 6 Apr.



And the light comes closer...





REFLATIONARY DRIVERS

BNP Paribas judgement of inflationary drivers

Note: The factors in bold are new ones:

↑↓ = inflationary effect (strong or weak, respectively);

↓↑ = disinflationary effect (strong or weak, respectively);

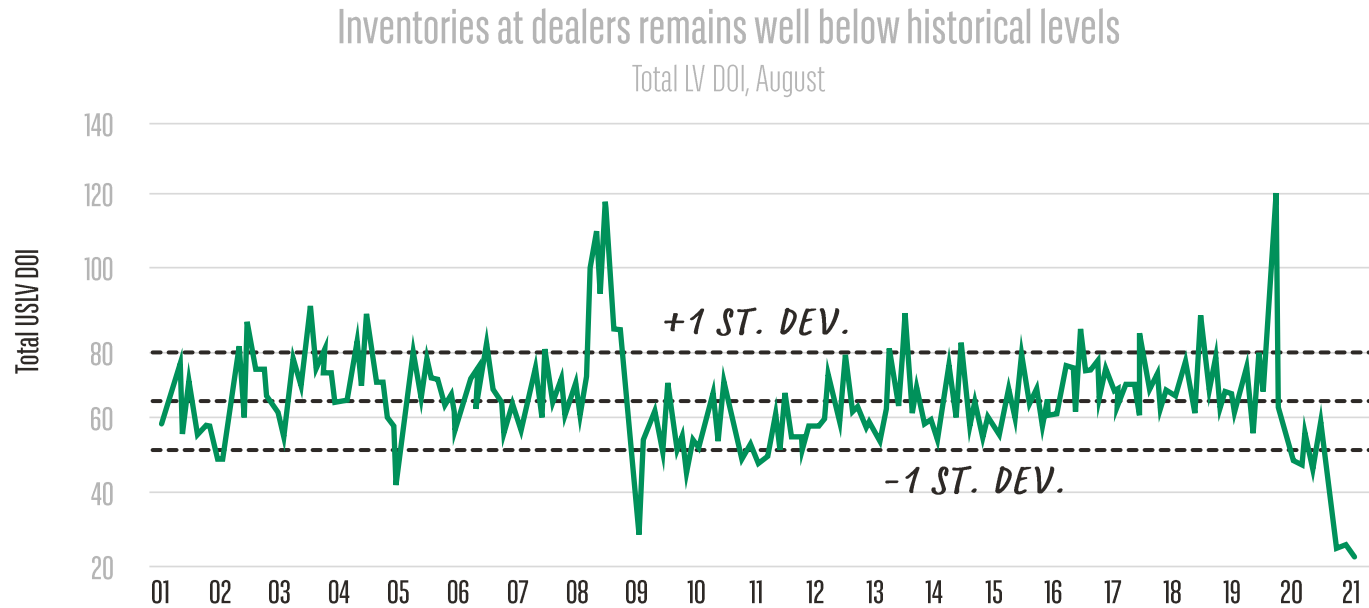
↔ = no effect

	Factor	Short term	Medium term	Long term	Summary
CYCLICAL	Output gap	↓	↑	↔	Hit to supply paired with demand recovery implies output gap could close sooner than expected.
	PPE and social distancing	↑	↔	↔	Firms may pass on increased operating costs/seek to restore margins.
	Inflation expectations	↓	↑	↔	Expectations play a crucial role given a flatter Phillips Curve. Strong central bank commitment can turn expectations around.
POLICY	Fiscal policy	↑	↑		Governments are prepared to run larger fiscal deficits than before.
	Monetary policy	↑	↑		Central banks have reacted decisively and stand ready to provide further accommodation.
	Central bank strategy reviews and their new tools	↑	↑	↑	The AIT adopted by the Fed will have long-term consequences. We expect the ECB to shift in a dovish direction in its strategic review.
STRUCTURAL	Technology and e-commerce	↓	↓	↓	E-commerce increase competition, while technology has positive impact on productivity.
	Income inequality and bargaining power of labour	↓	↓	↓	Those at the lower end of income distribution, who also have higher propensity to consume, have been hit particularly hard by the current crisis.
	Aging population	↓	↓	↓	Investment to decline faster than saving, lowering demand.
	De-globalisation	↔	↑	↑	Firms are likely to prioritise resilience of their supply chains over costs.

Source= BNP Paribas

Classification : Internal

SUPPLY CHAIN





USA: INFLATION EXPECTATIONS = STABLE

US inflation swap forward 5 years in 5 years

Sources: Bloomberg 30/08/2021





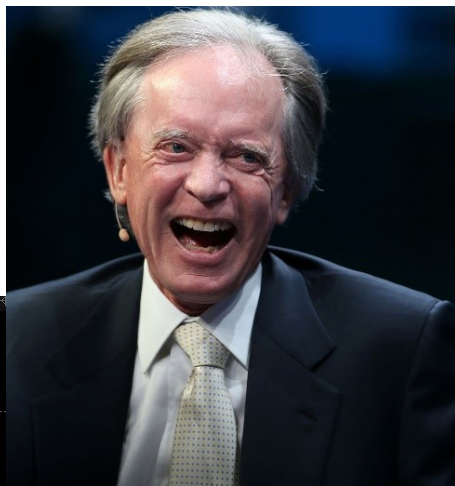
INFLATION EXPECTATIONS EURO ZONE = UP TO 2018 LEVEL

US inflation swap forward
5 years in 5 years



Sources: Bloomberg 23/08/2021

THE INTEREST RATE IS CRUCIAL



THE DEFINITIVE GUIDE TO RELATIONSHIPS

**MEN ARE
FROM MARS.**
*Women Are
from Venus*

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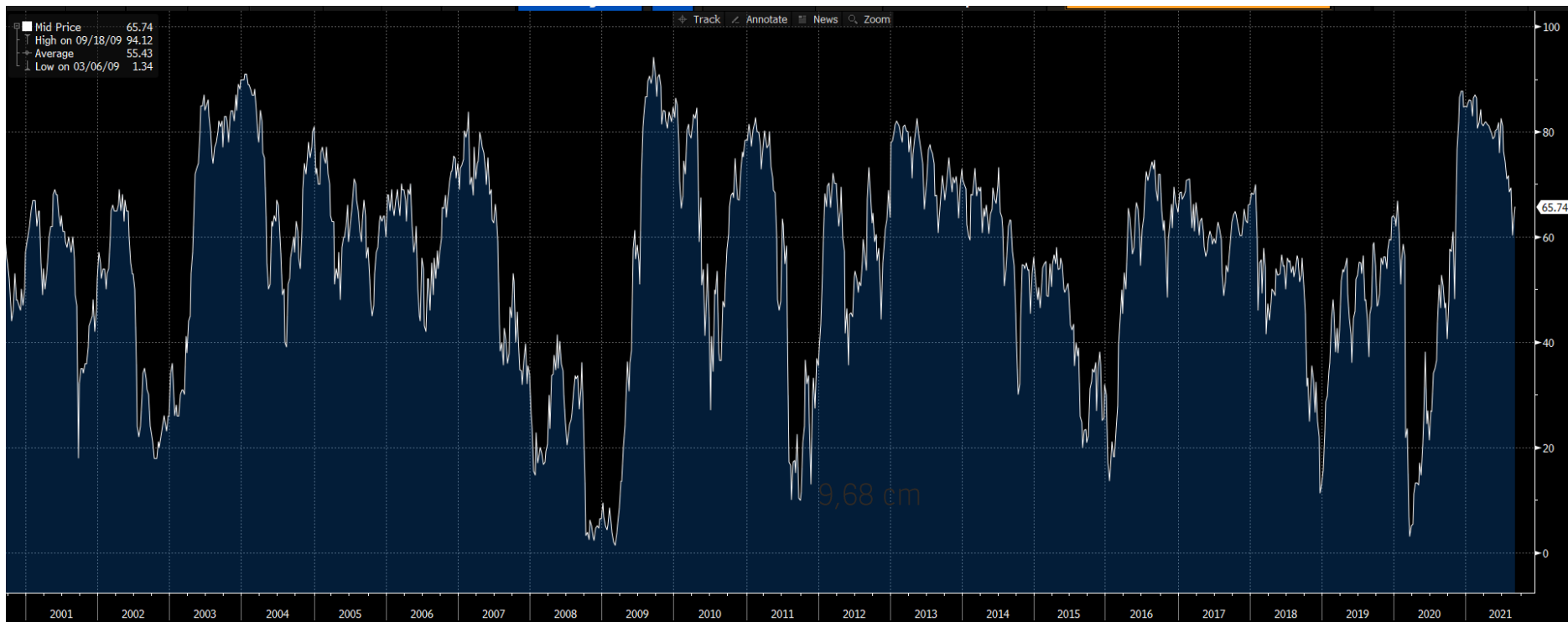


STOCKMARKETS STILL POSITIVE





A NARROWER MARKET



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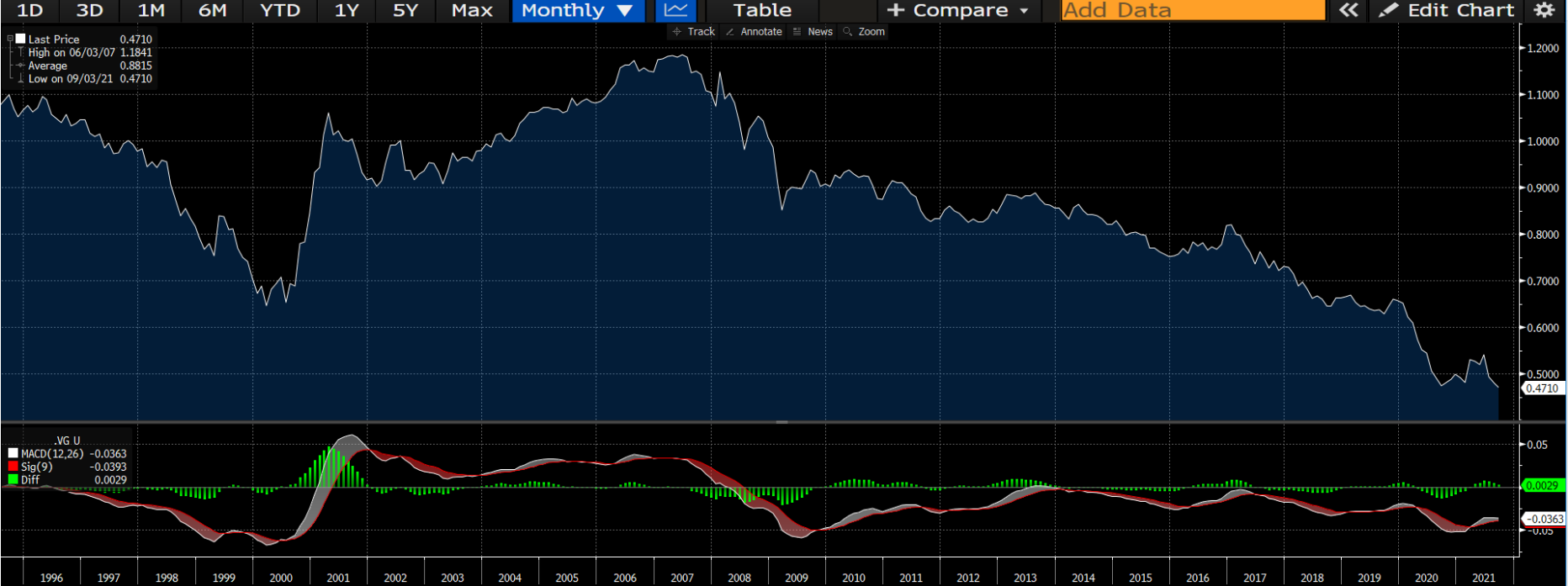


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VALUE AND GROWTH



UNDERSTANDING EXPONENTIAL TECHNOLOGIES

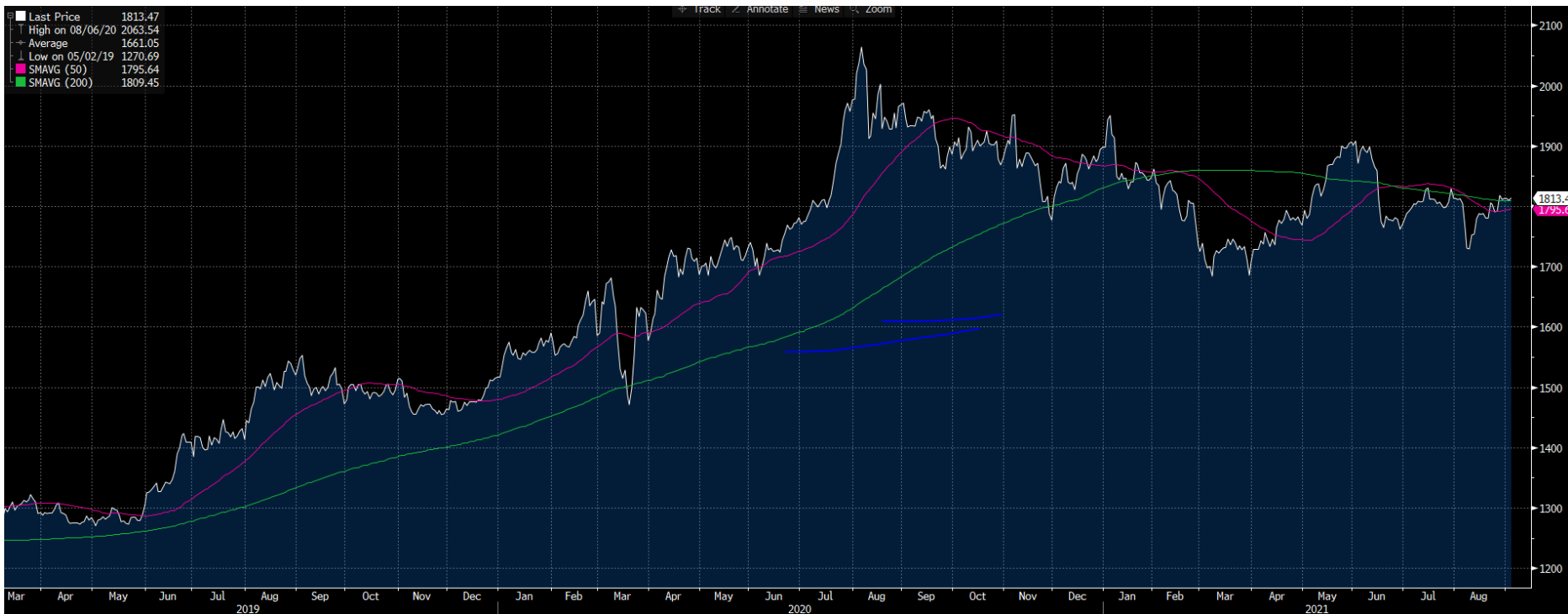




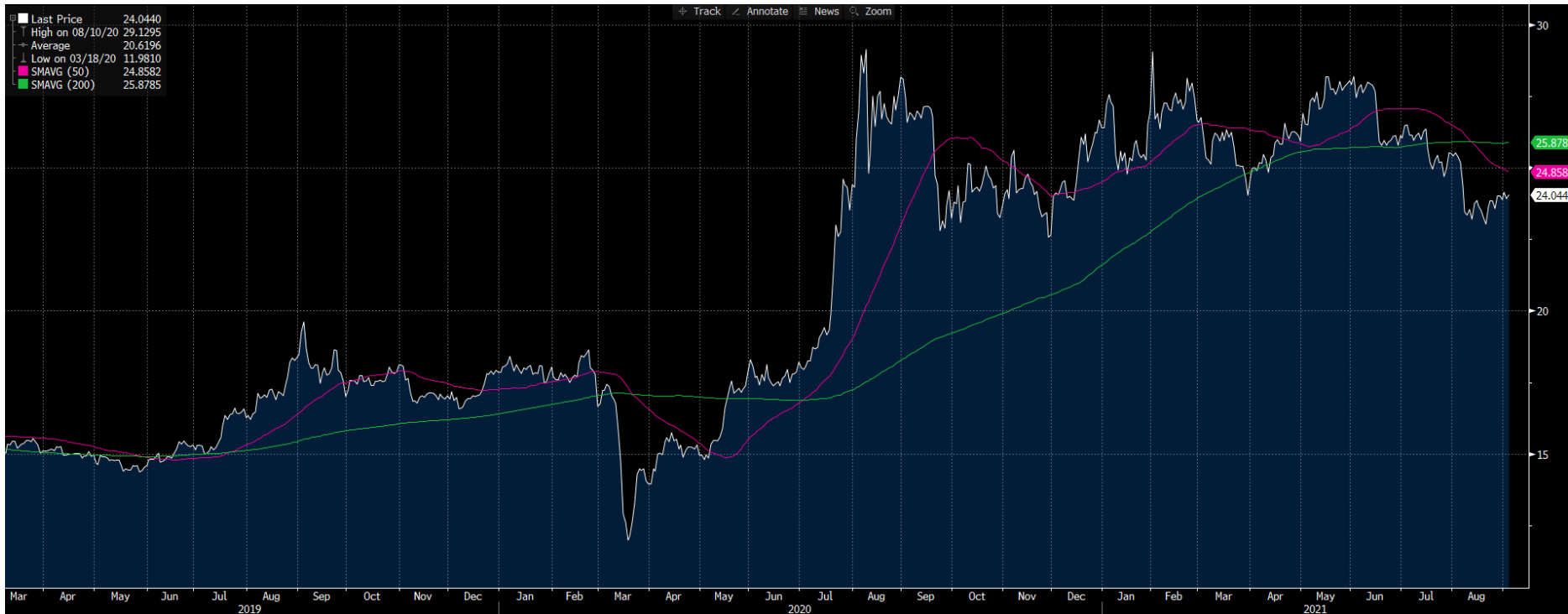
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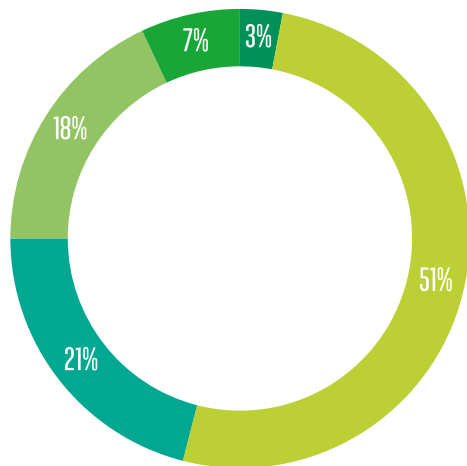
GOLD & SILVER TRENDS...



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NEW LIFE FOR « OLD » METALS



■ Photography ■ Industrial Applications (Solar Panels, Electronics, Batteries, Biocides, ...)

■ Jewelry ■ Investment (Coins and bars)

■ Silverware

Sources: GFMS Definitive, Metal Focus, The Silver Institute, UBS. Data as of January 2020; The Silver Institute, Silver's Growing Role in the Automotive Industry

Event Data Recorder
Night Vision
Driver Alertness Monitoring
Head-Up Display
DSRC
Accident Recorder

Auto-Dimming Mirror
Active Cabin Noise Suppression
Cabin Environment Control
Entertainment System
Windshield Wiper Control
Battery Management

Lane Correction
Engine Control
Instrument Cluster
Airbag Deployment
Parental Controls
Adaptive Front Lighting

Interior Lighting
Voice/Data Communications
Electronic Toll Collection
Digital Turn Signals
Security System
Active Exhaust



Navigation System
Adaptive Cruise Control
Automatic Braking
Electric Power Steering
OBDII
Antilock Braking

Hill-Hold Control
Seat Position Control
Regenerative Braking
Noise suppression
Active Suspension
Transmission Control

Electronic Stability Control
Remote Keyless Entry
Active Vibration Control
Electronic Valve Timing
Cylinder De-activation
Active Yaw Control

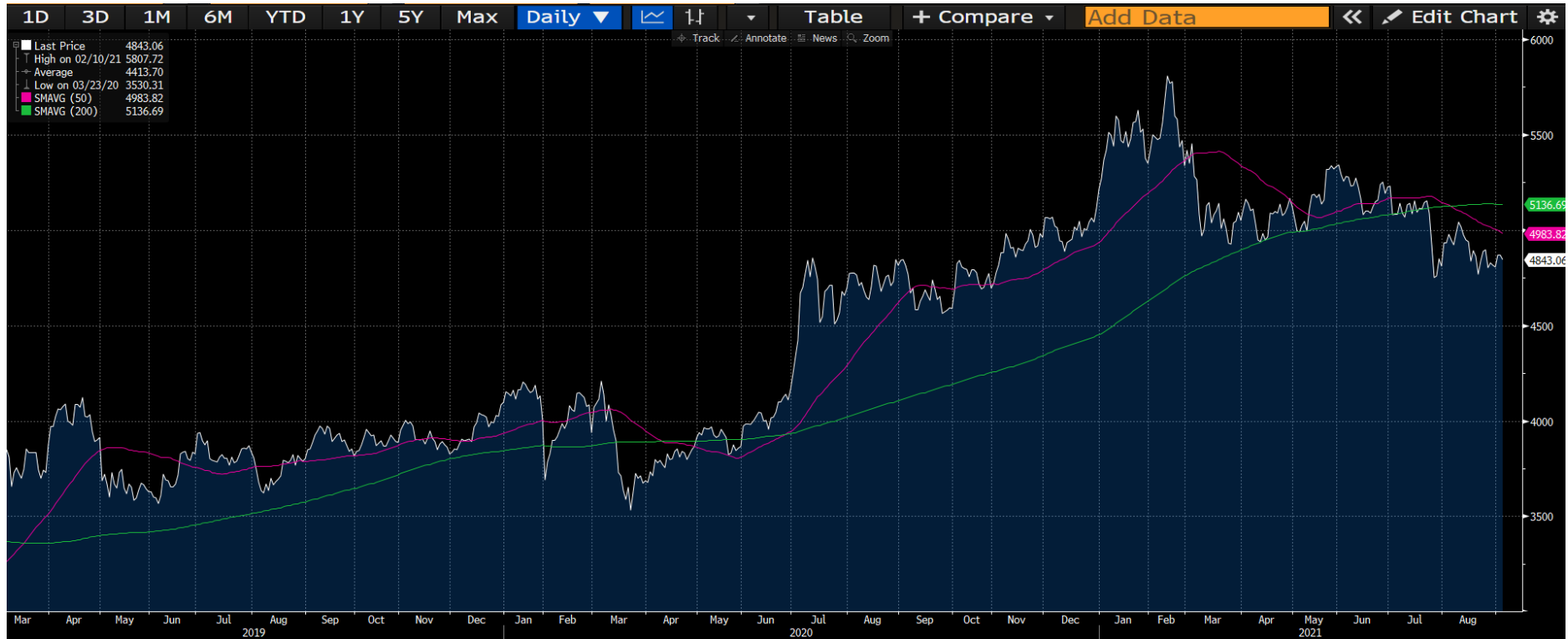
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Parking System
Tire Pressure Monitoring
Lane Departure Warning
Blindspot Detection

ENERGY TRANSITION...

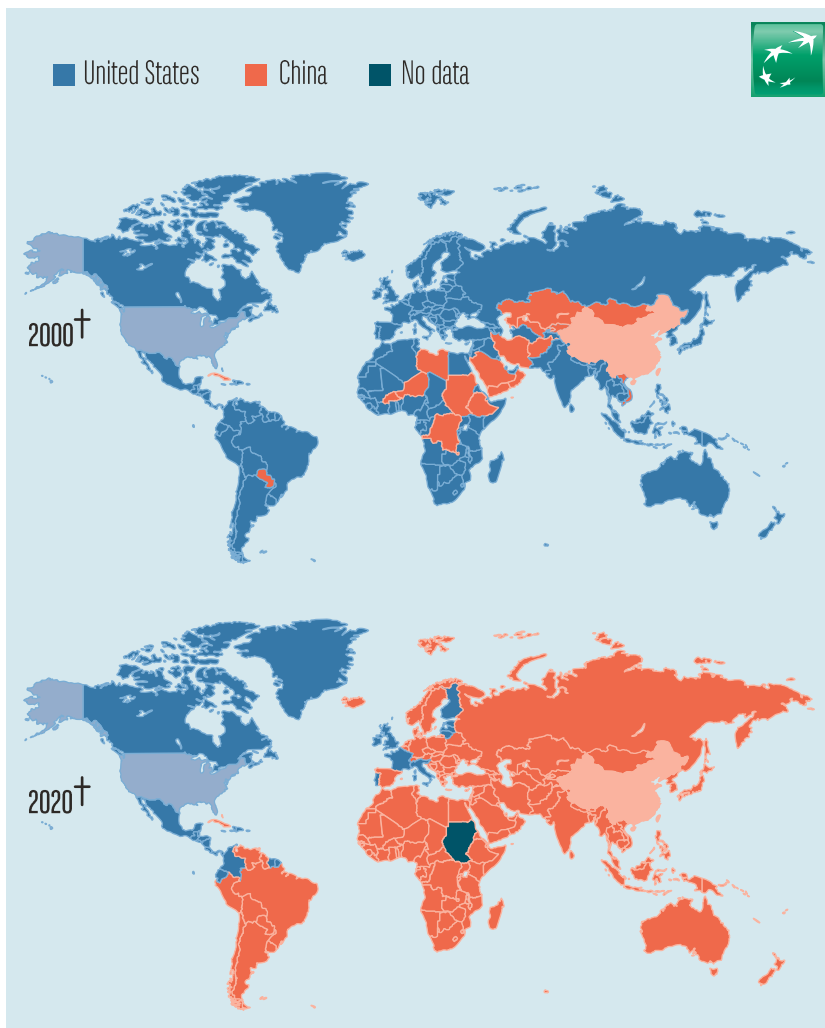
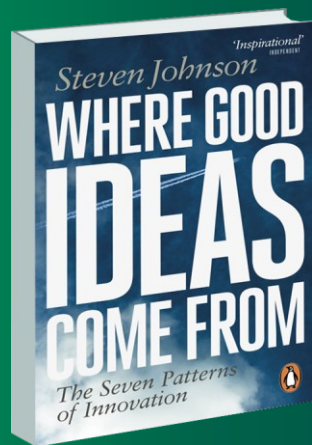




CHINA AND THE EMERGING MARKETS...



THE CHINESE TABLE...





CHINESE SHARES HOW FAR DOES THE GOVERNMENT REGULATION GO?

Objectives current five-year plan (2020-25):

- > Technology
- > Consumption
- > Efficiency

Intermediate priorities for the next 6 months :

- > Social equality
- > Demography (birth rate too low)
- > National security



The new regulation fits into the intermediate priorities :

- > No expensive extracurricular education project
- > Control of foreign IPOs
- > Avoiding monopolies

Long-term goals are not abandoned, however.

Little influence expected on the general Chinese growth

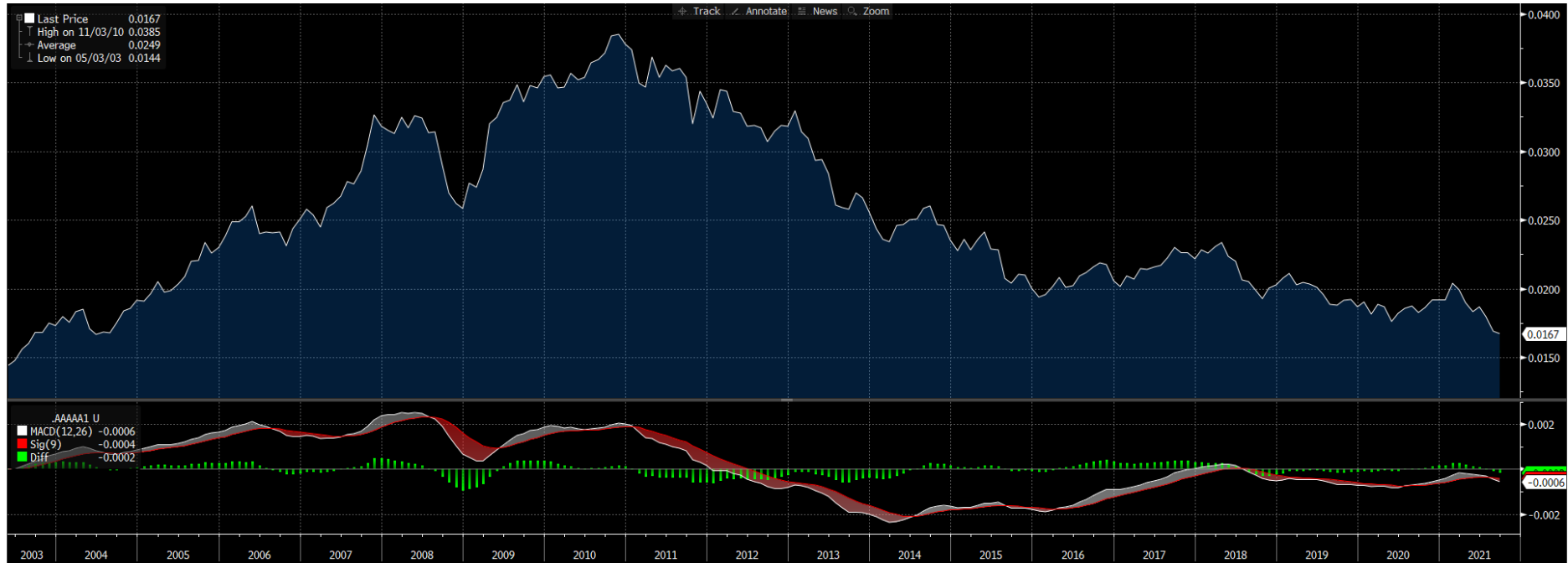
**IT / internet stocks = 40% MSCI China;
Digital economy = 40% Chinese growth.**

No overflow to the international markets

- > Reasons for optimism remain in place
- > Increased risk premium and volatility



CHINA AND THE EMERGING MARKETS... ..





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