

The Evolving New Paradigm and Implications for Investors

The Defining Dynamics of a Major Regime Shift Are Now Well-Established And Intensifying

Modern Mercantilism

US-Led Shift Into a
New Geopolitical &
Macroeconomic Paradigm

Artificial Intelligence

A Major
Technological Disruption

Portfolios Concentrated in Equity and US

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Modern Mercantilism

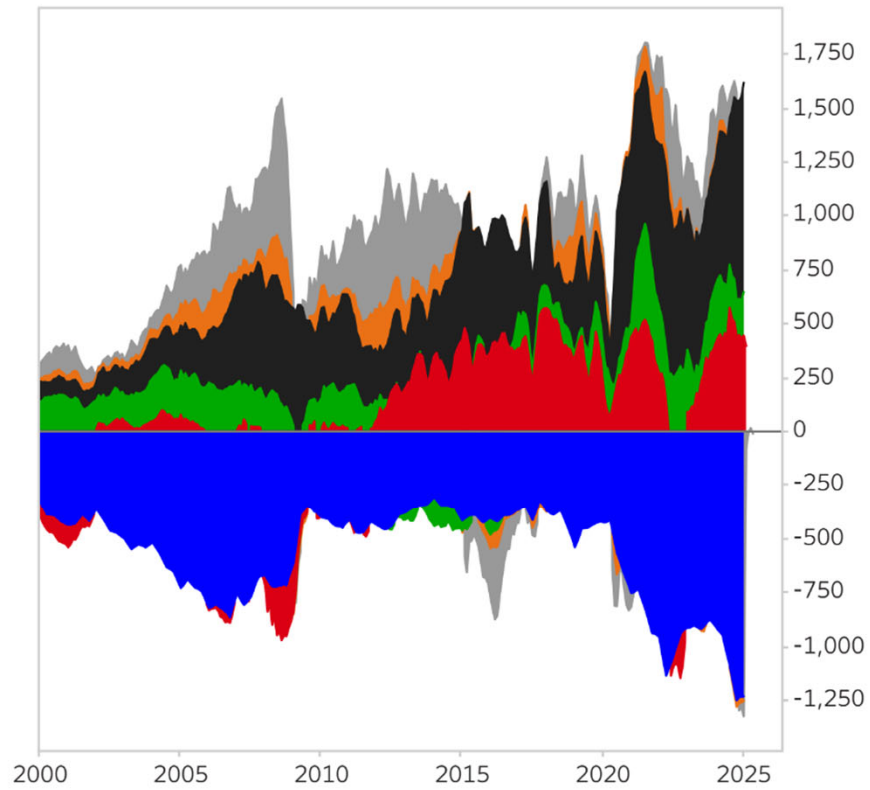
Modern Mercantilism

- 1 **Government playing a large role** in increasing national wealth & strength
- 2 **Trade deficits seen as transfers of wealth** to other countries, to be avoided
- 3 **Prioritization of self-sufficiency**, including via industrial policy & protecting national corporate champions
- 4 **Transactional approach**, treating market access as an asset & forcing dependent allies to pay tribute

The US Became the Main Destination for Exports and Capital Flows

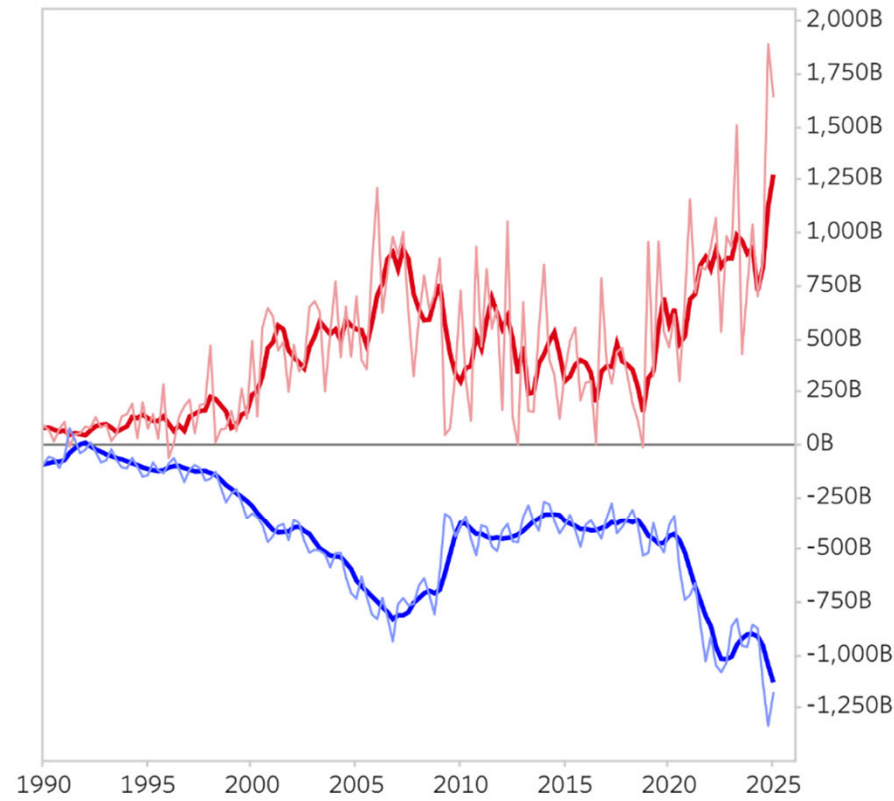
World Current Account Imbalances (Bln USD)

- USA
- EUR
- Other Developed World
- EM Asia
- Other EM
- OPEC



US Balance of Payments

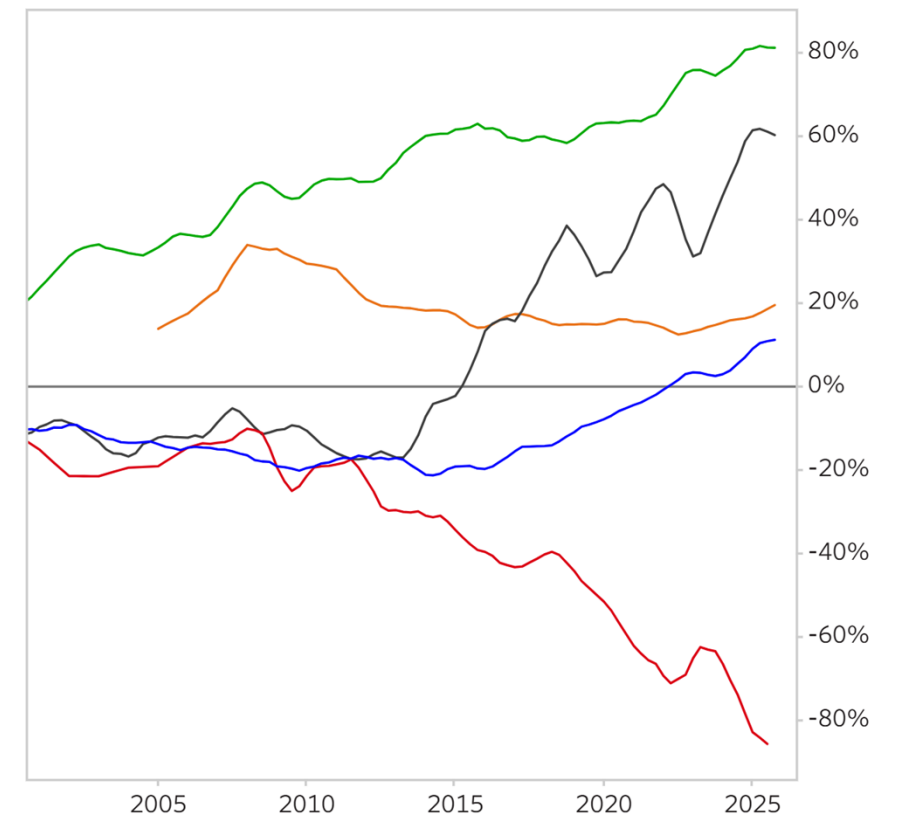
- Current Account
- Capital Account
- 12mma



Net International Investment Position

%GDP, 12m Avg

- EUR
- USA
- JPN
- CAN
- CHN



US Mercantilism Has Enacted Historic Tariffs, Alienated Allies, and Prompted a Sizable Fiscal Response

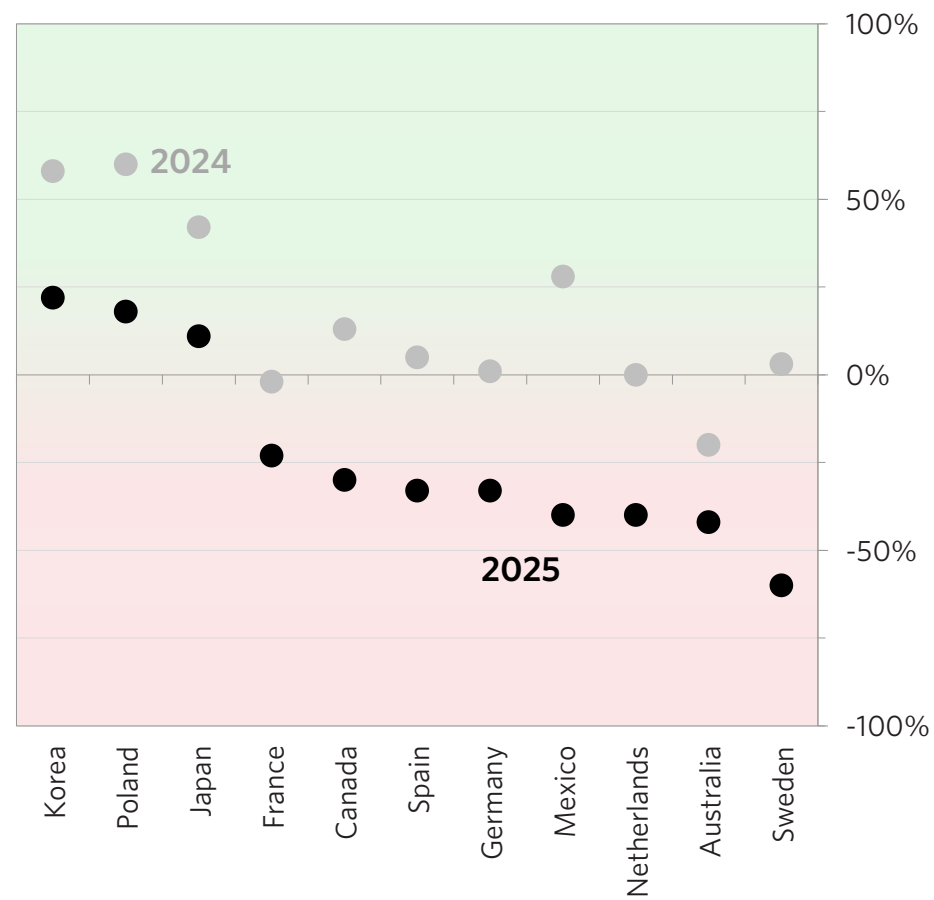
The US Has "Won" Its Trade War Against Allies, Building a Tariff Wall...

Statutory Effective Tariff Rates



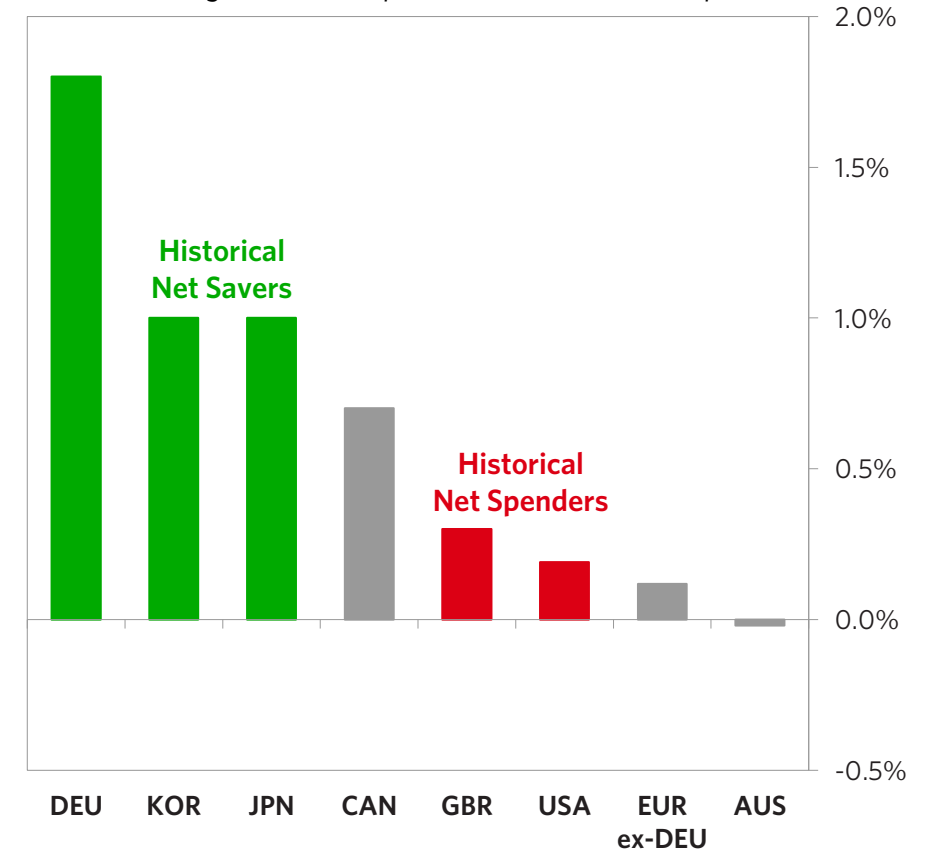
...But Generating Broader Distrust of the US as an Economic and Security Partner...

US Net Favorability Rating by Country



Governments Have Realized the Problem and Are Investing Massively to Address It

%GDP Change in 2026 Deficit Forecast Since Start of Year



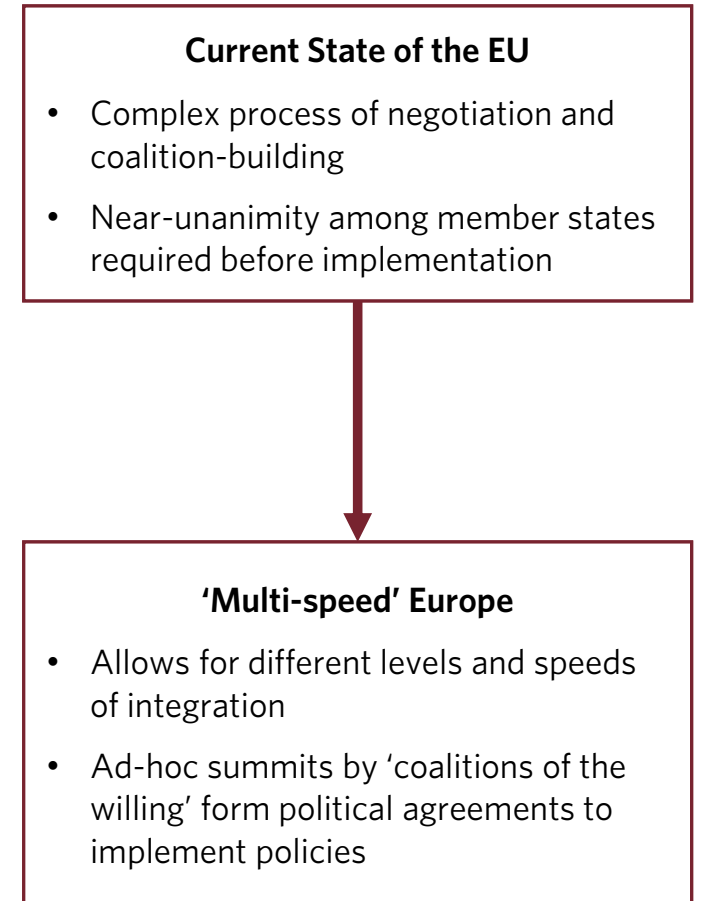
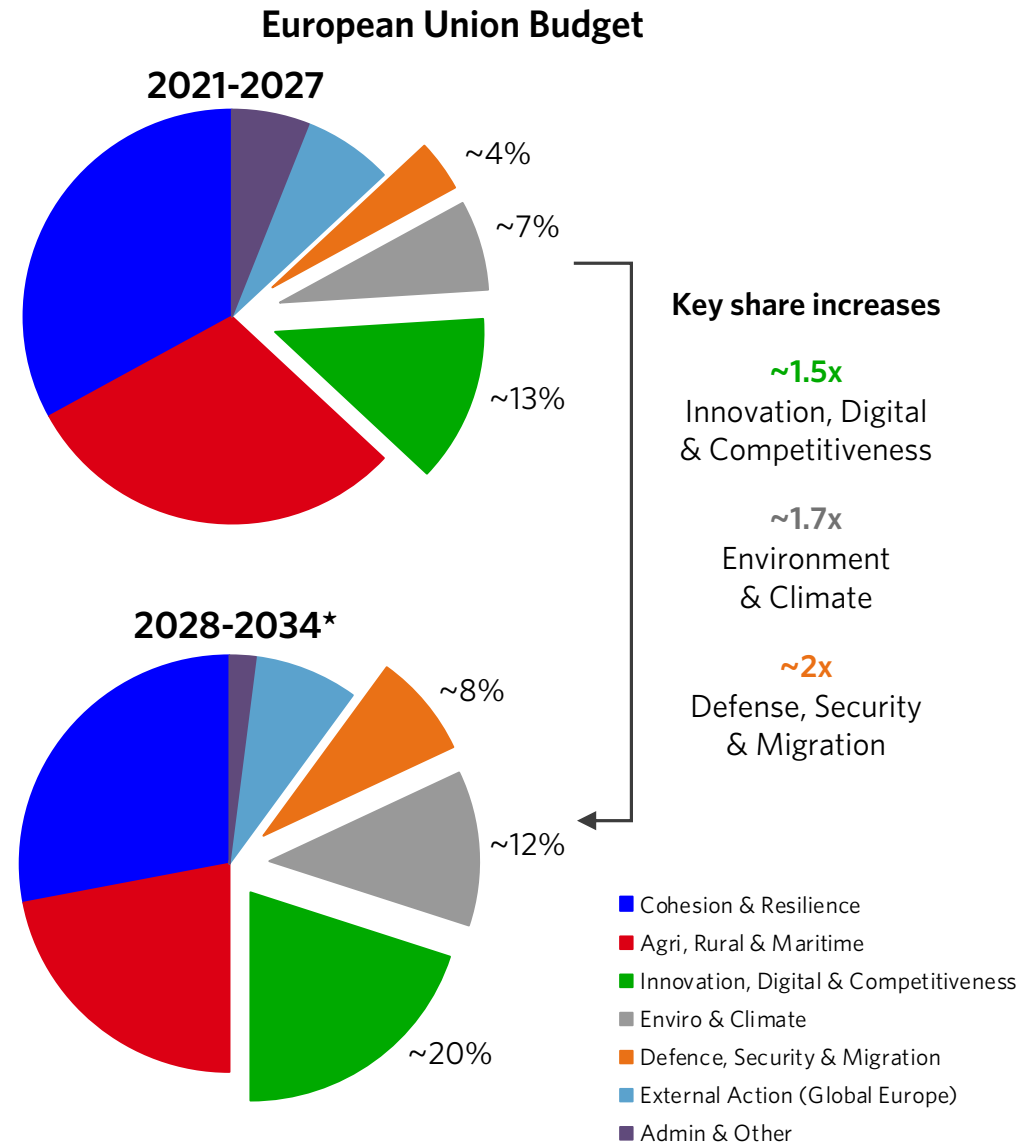
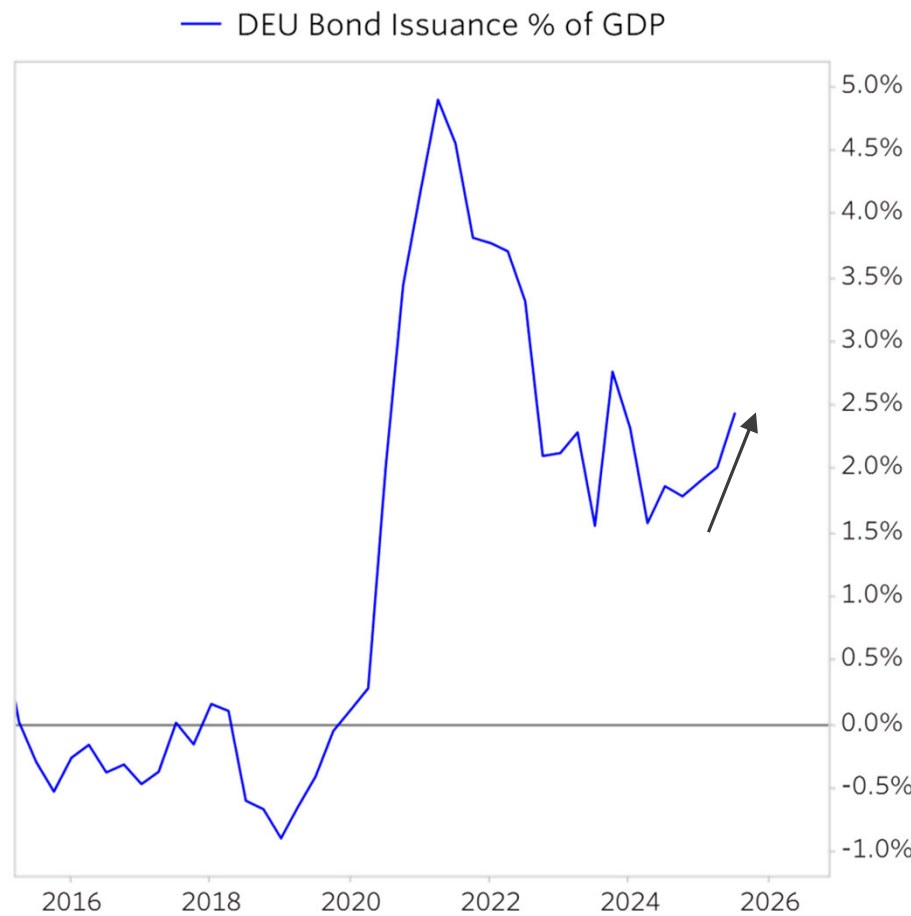
Middle chart data as of Spring 2025, from Pew Research Center. Right chart data as of November 2025. Estimates are based on Bridgewater analysis. Please review the "Important Disclosures and Other Information" located at the end of this presentation.

Beyond Trade Policy, a Need for Defense Has Been Increasingly Motivating Spending for Key EU Member States

End of DEU "debt brake" to increase fiscal spending on defense & infrastructure

Multi-year budget redesign around strategic priorities incl. competitiveness and defense

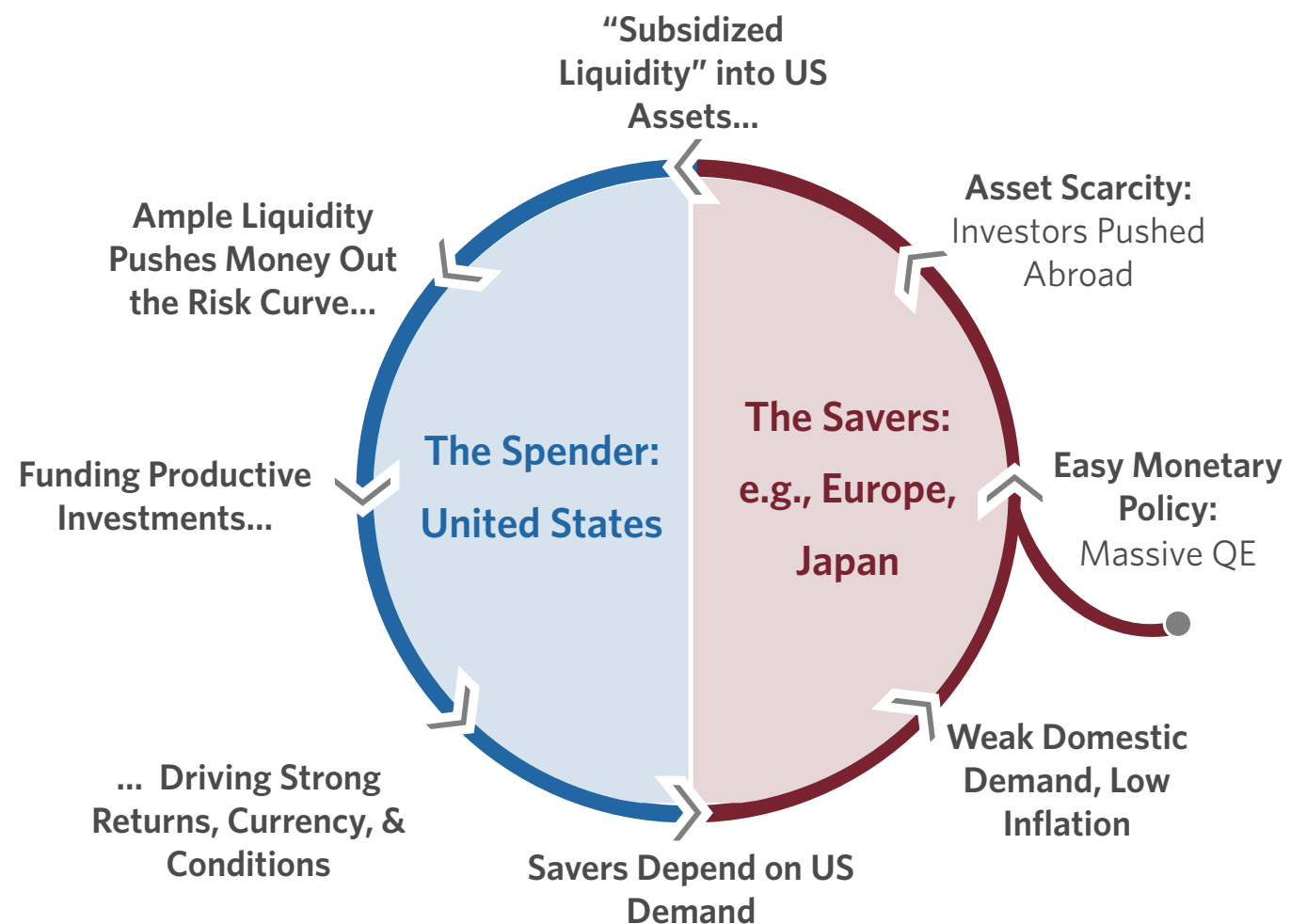
Political momentum for a 'multi-speed' Europe to cut through bureaucratic consensus



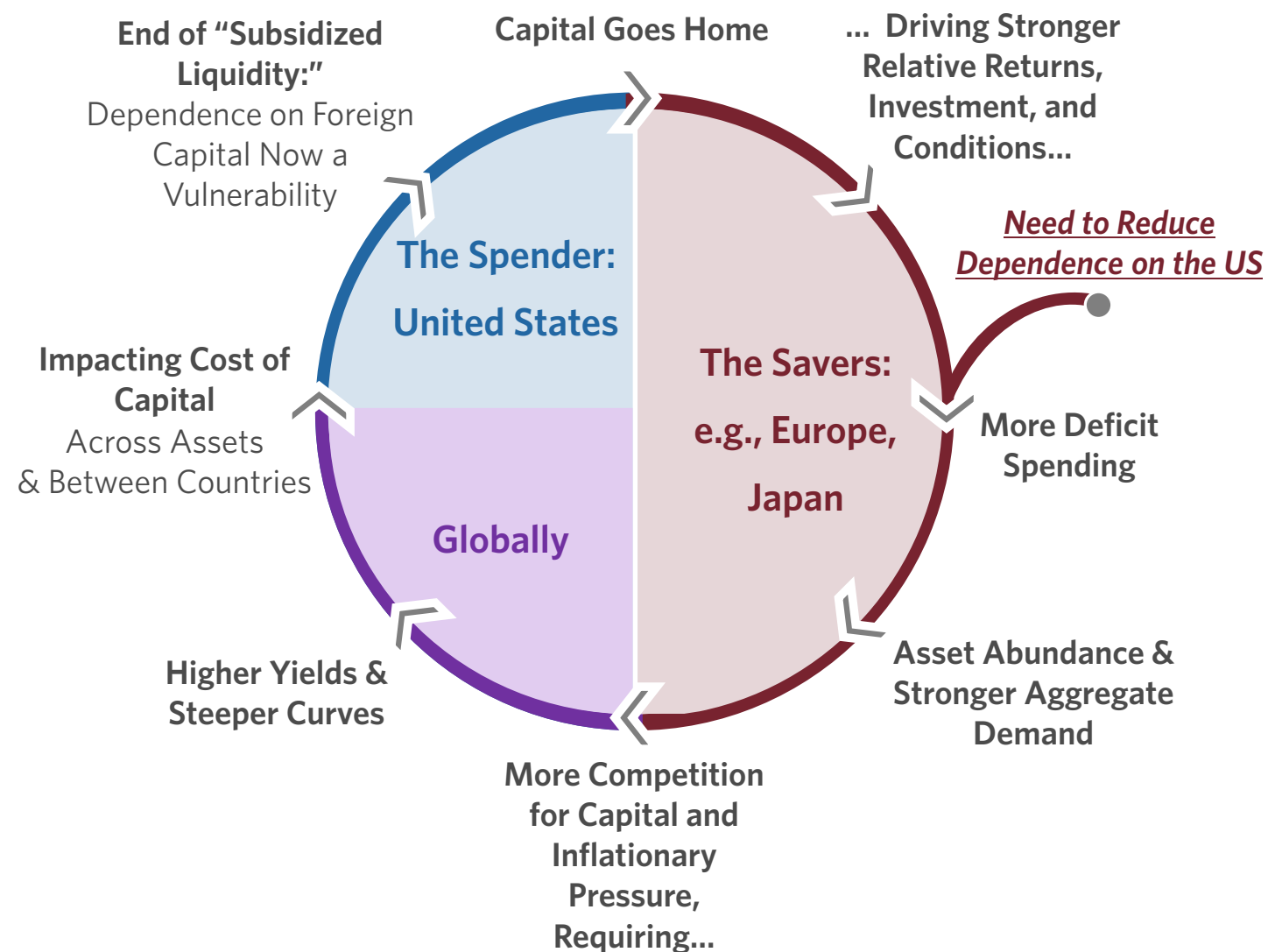
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From Asset Scarcity to Abundance: Savers Becoming Spenders Pushes Up the Cost of Capital

Old Dynamic: Subsidized Liquidity Supported US Outperformance



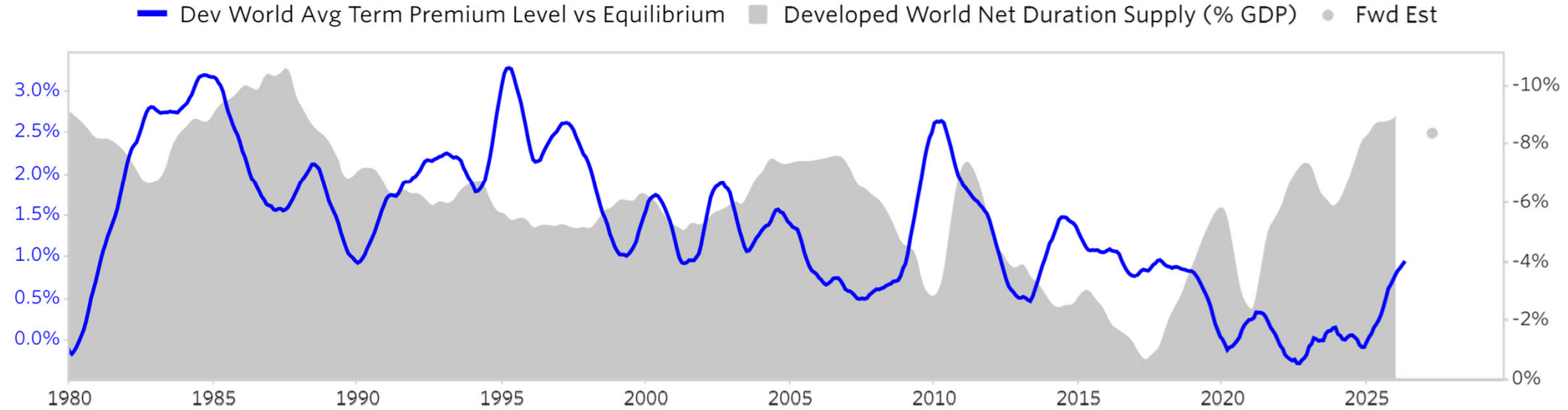
New Dynamic: Increased Competition for Capital



We Have Shifted From an Environment of Asset Scarcity to One of Asset Abundance

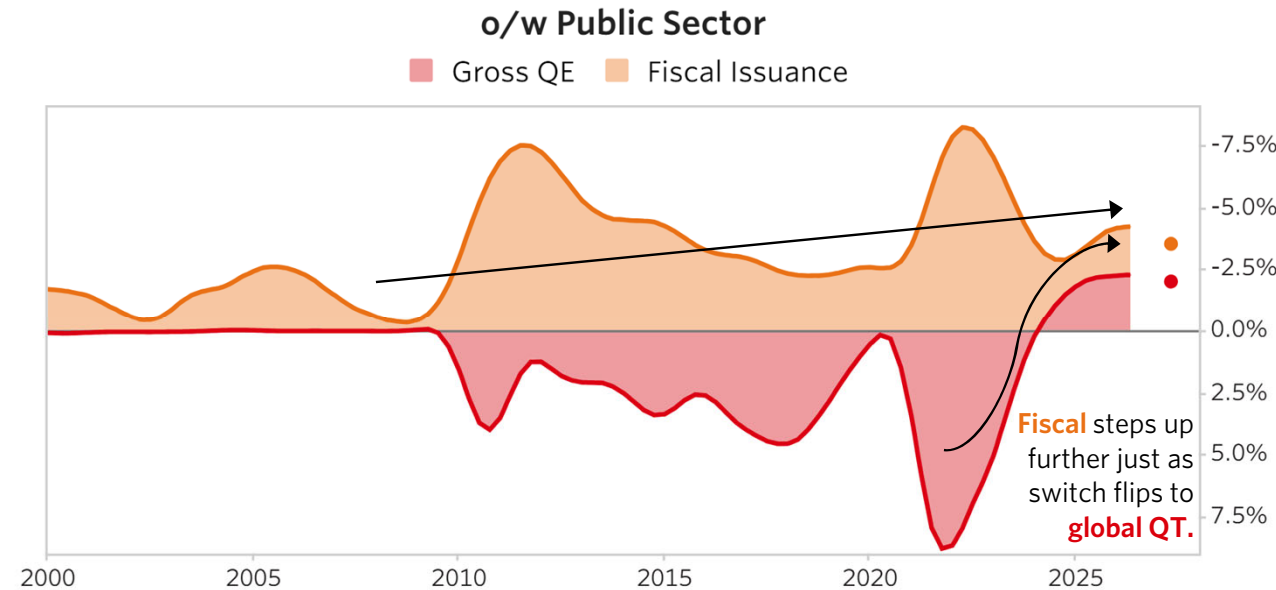
Developed World Net Duration Supply vs Avg Term Premium

12m Avg

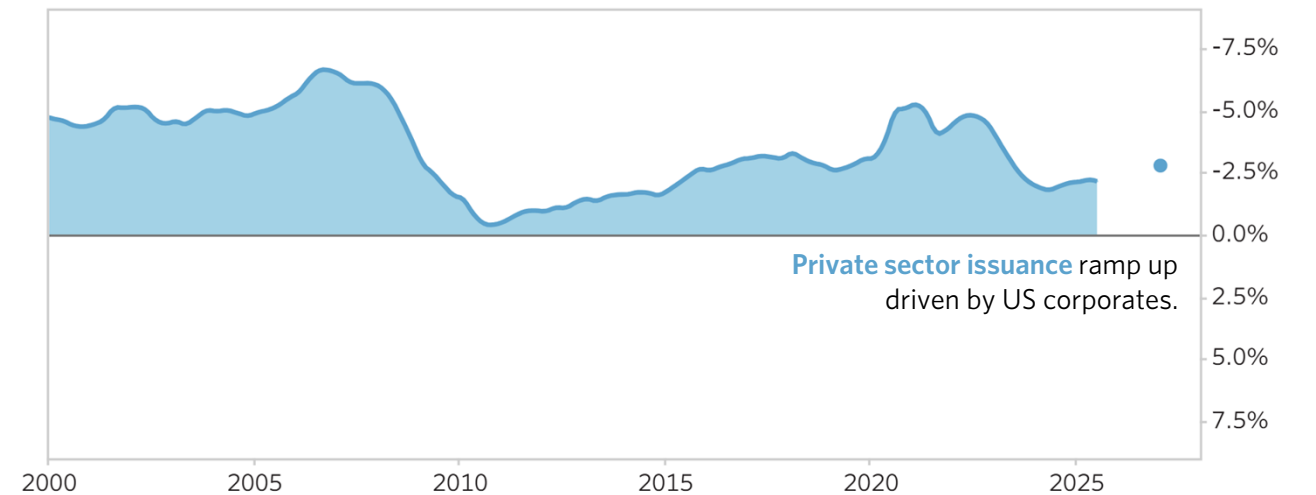


Attribution of Global Net Duration Supply

% GDP, 12m Avg



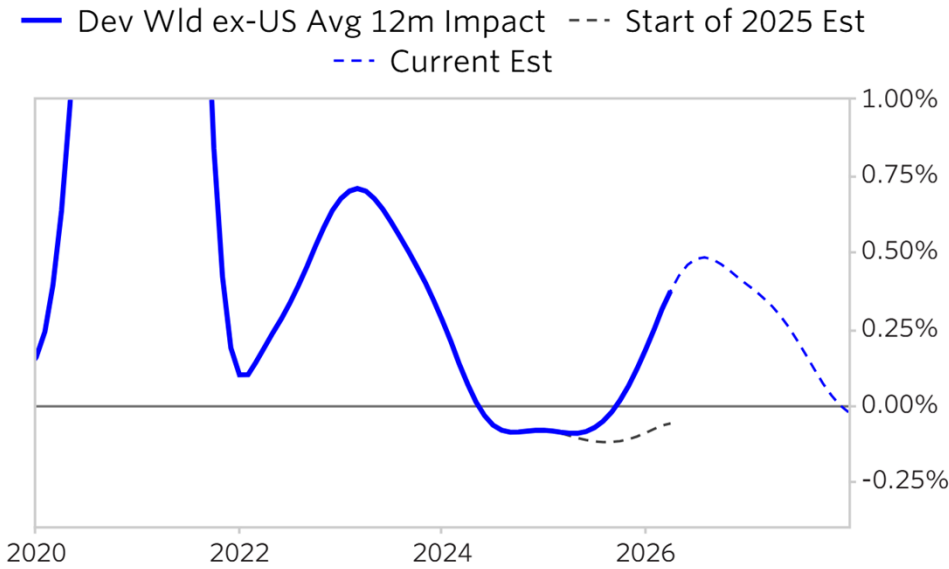
o/w Private Sector



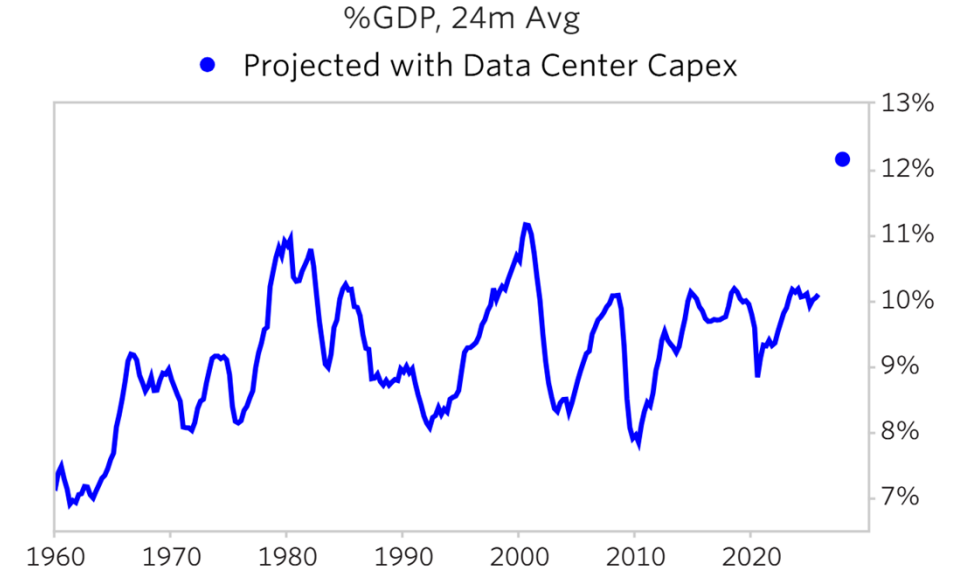
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Acyclical Spending Is Supporting Growth In the Midst of a Stagflationary Shock

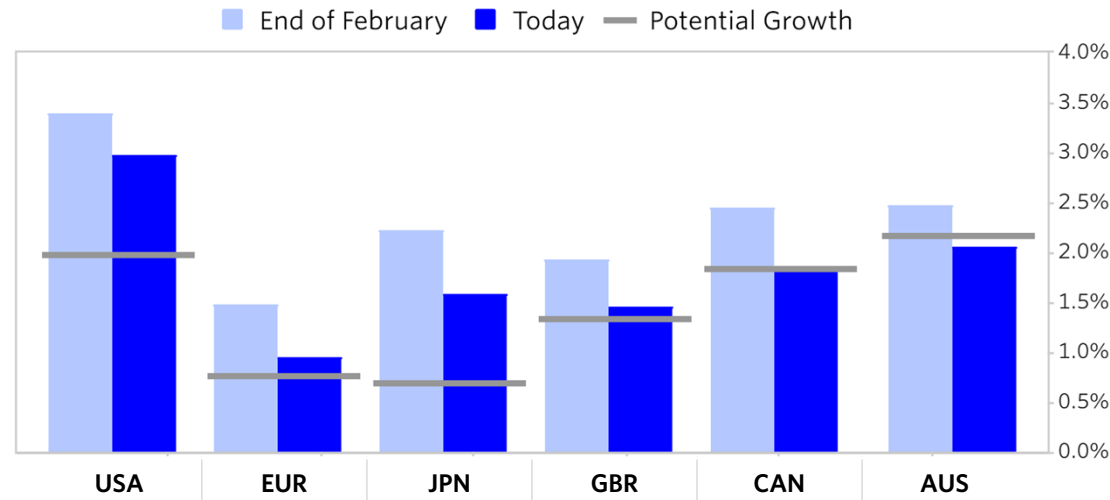
Proactive Fiscal Impact on Growth



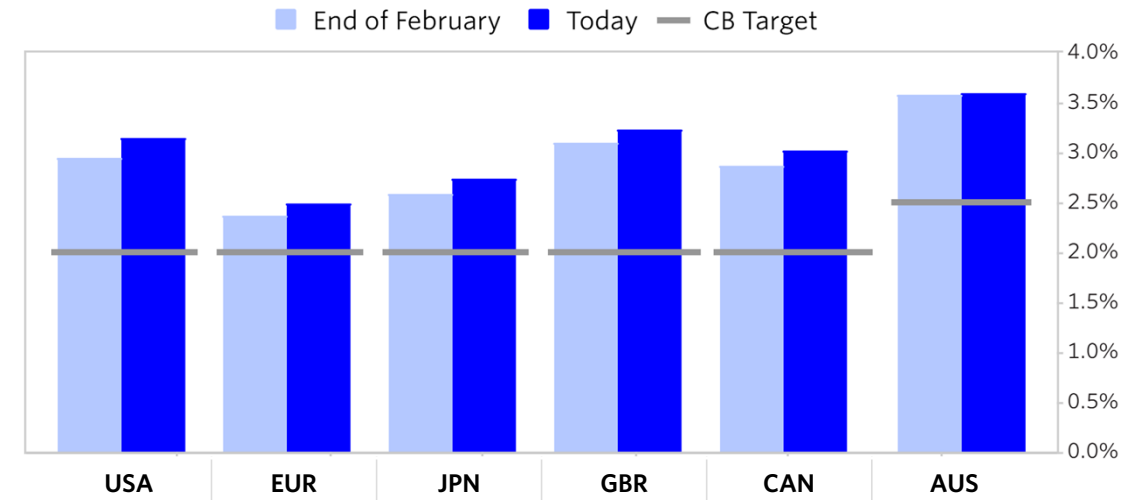
US Capital Expenditures



Leading Growth

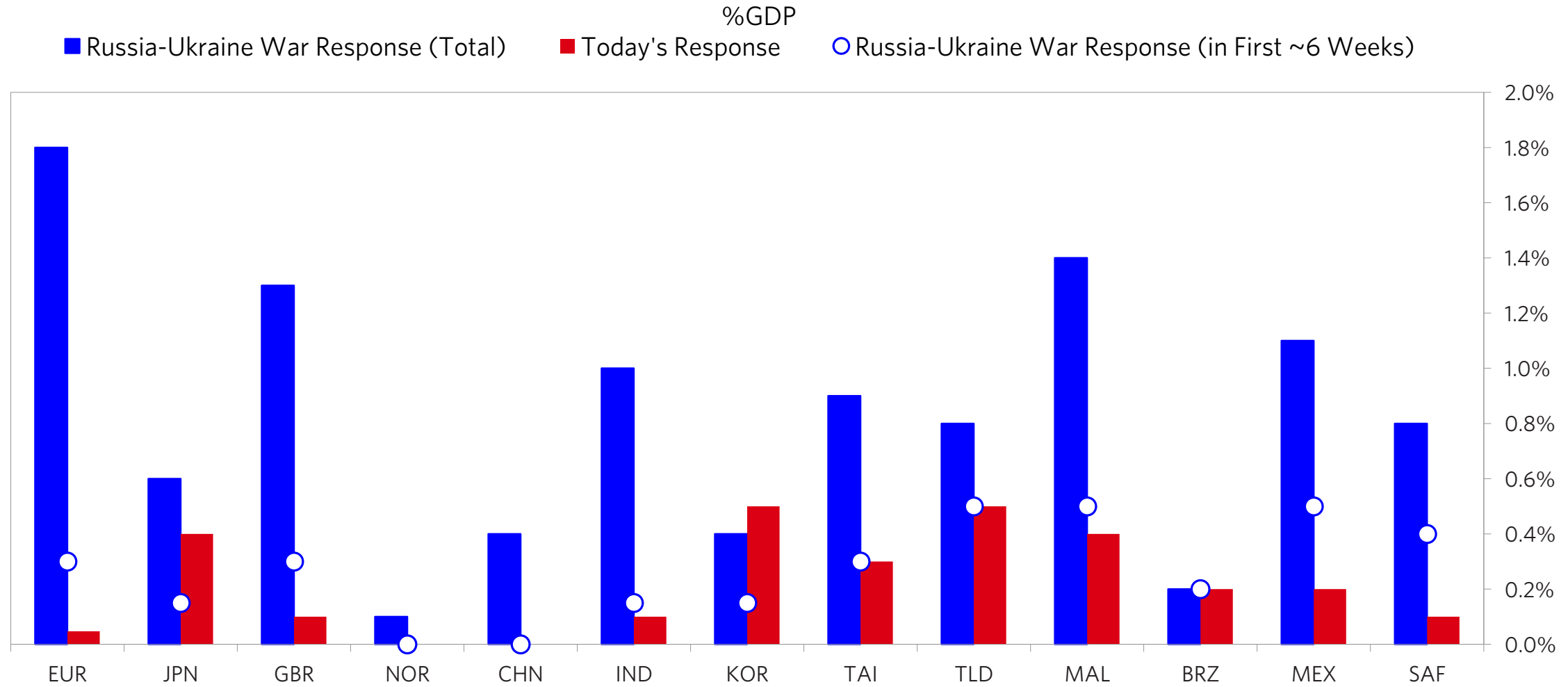


Leading Inflation



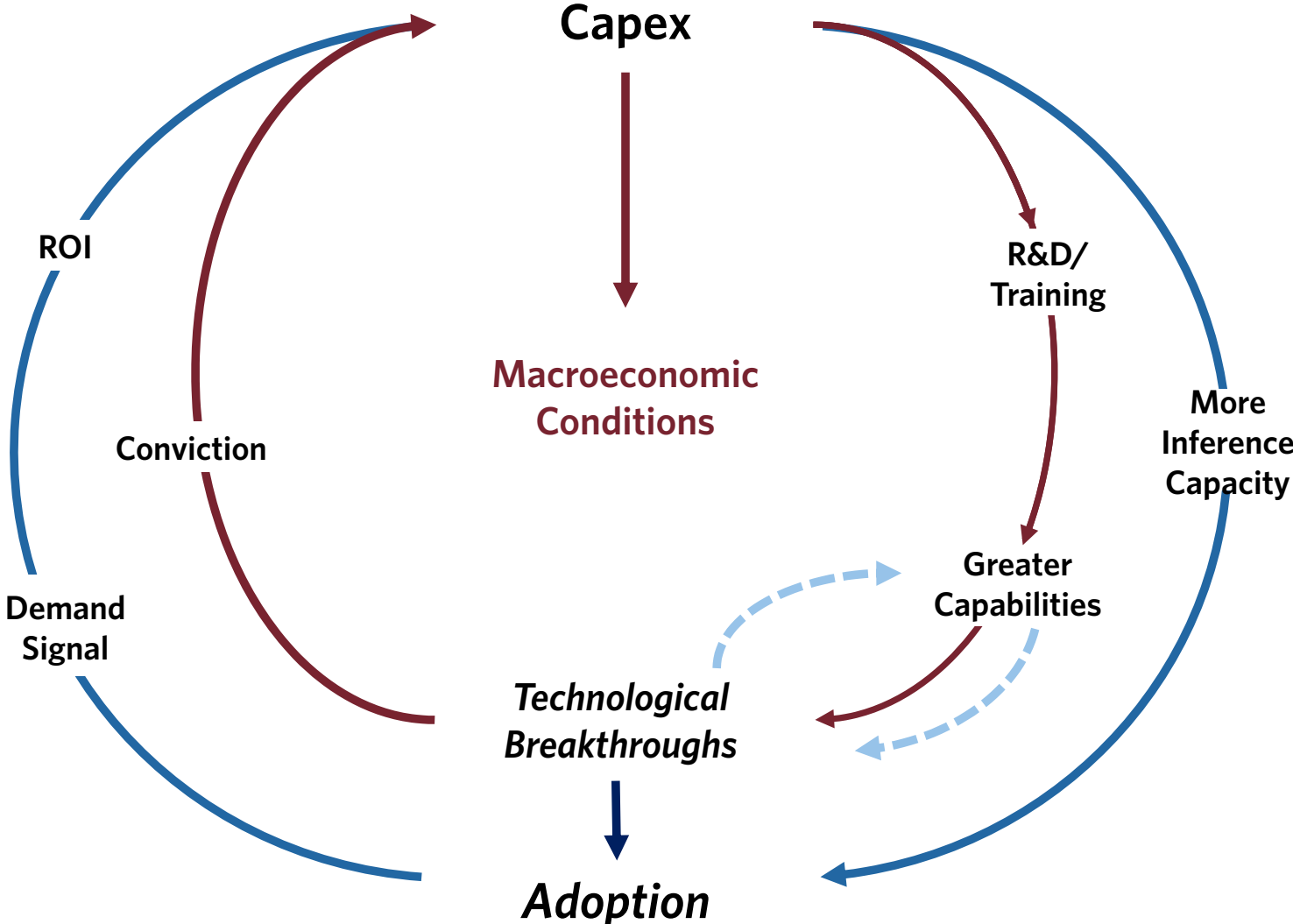
Balance of Macro Impacts from Energy Shock Depends on Policy Response

Fiscal Response to Energy Shock: Today vs Russia-Ukraine War

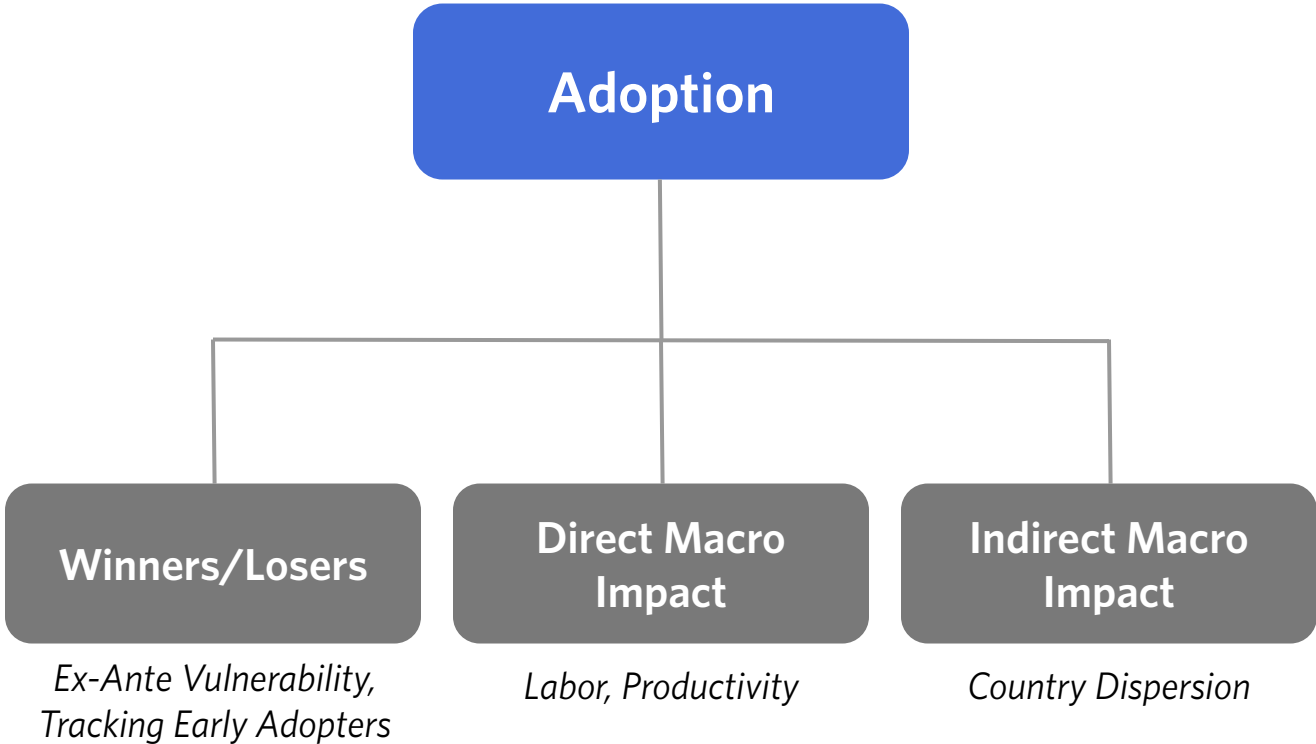
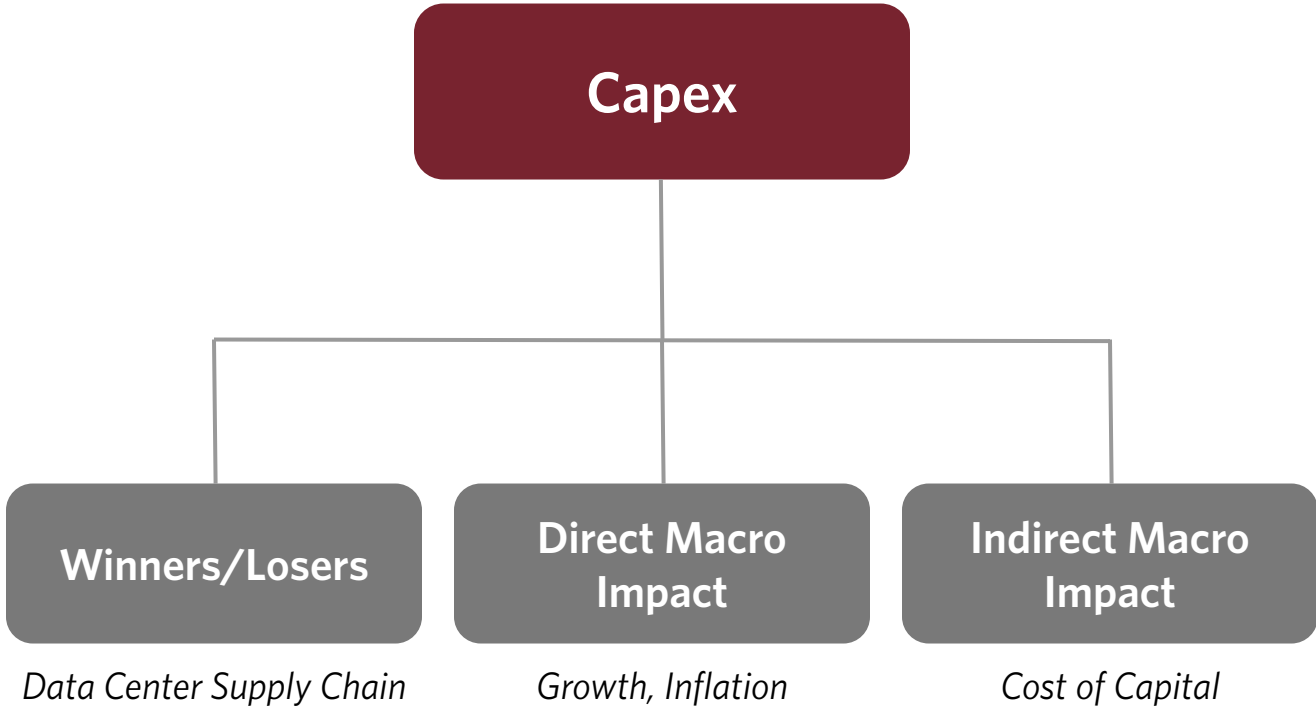


Artificial Intelligence

Artificial Intelligence Has Entered a New Phase

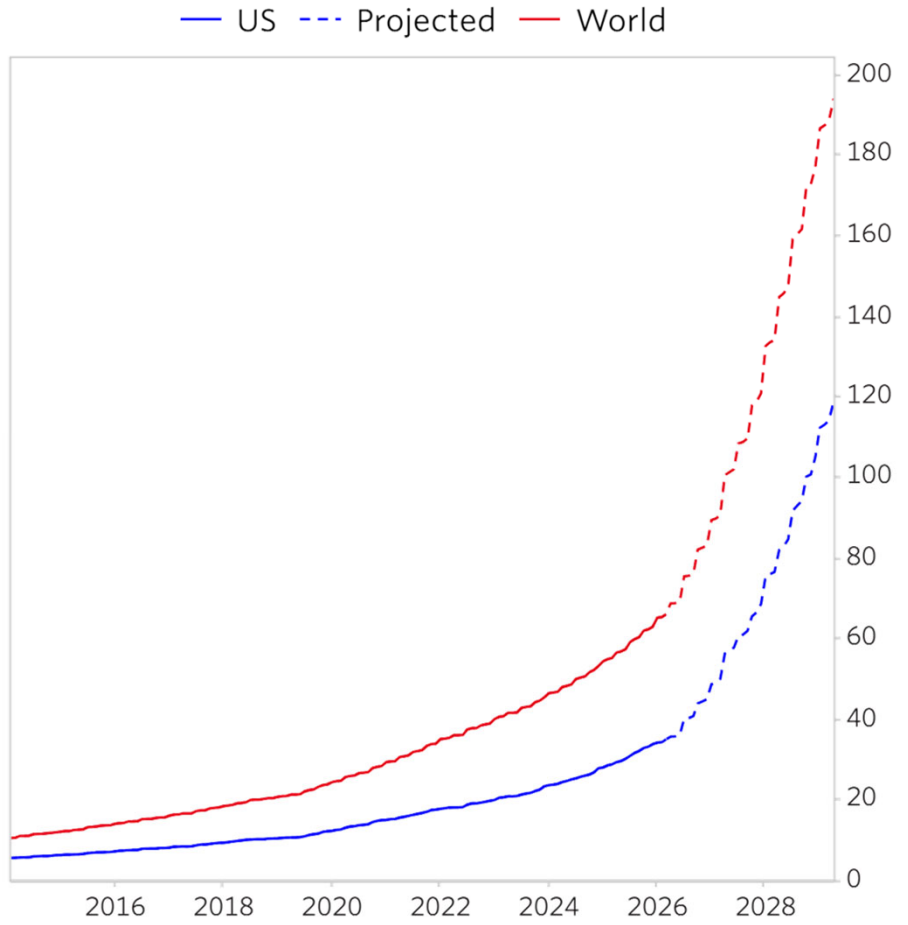


Framing the Investment Problem

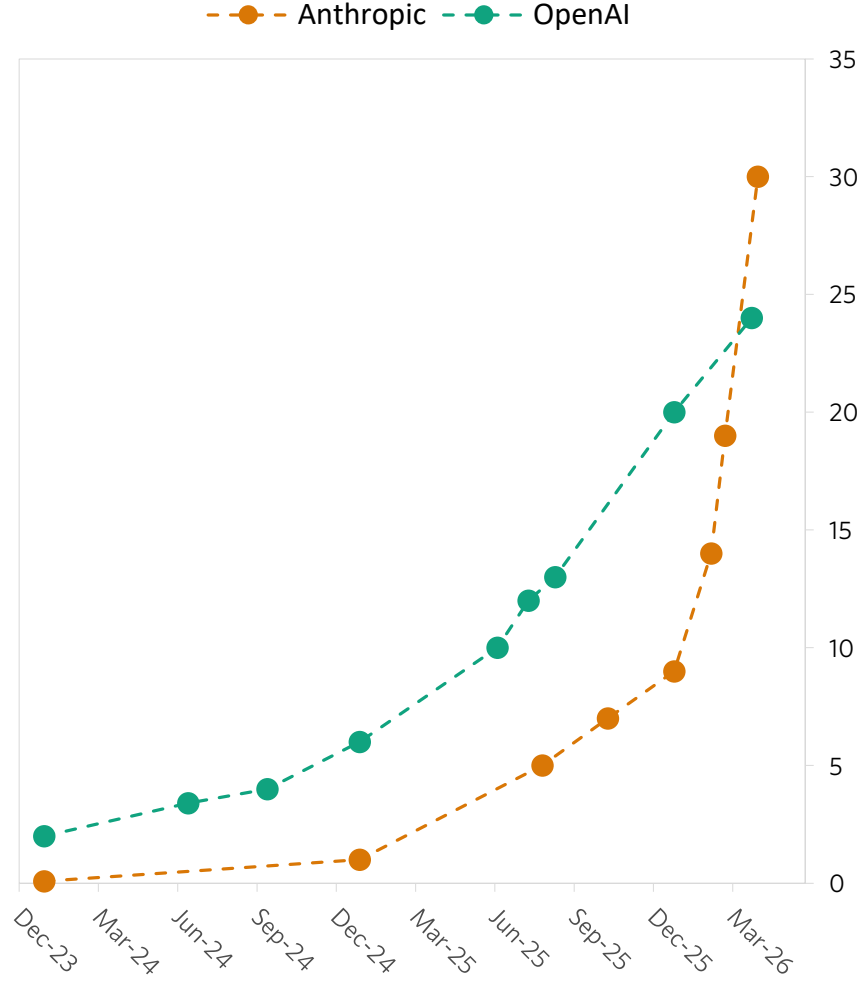


We Project the Rapid Build-Out of Compute Capacity Will Still Fall Short of Demand

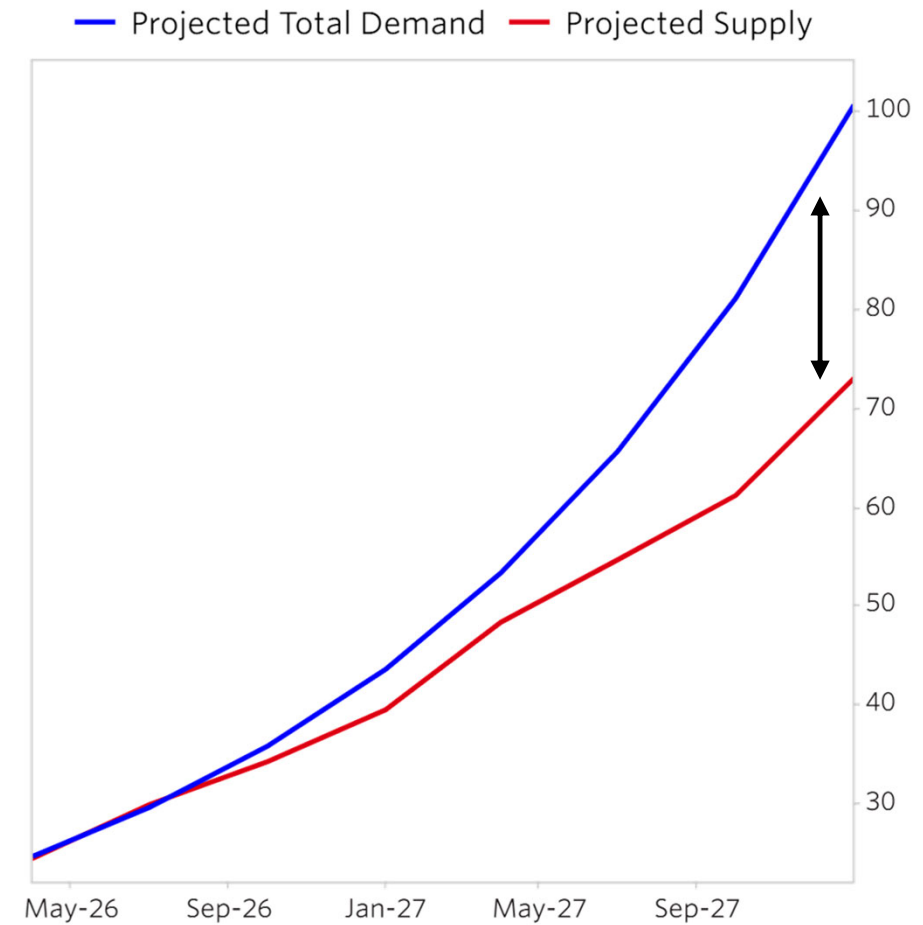
Total Estimated Data Center Capacity (GW)



Annualized Revenue Run Rate (\$B)



Total Estimated Base Case Demand vs. Supply (GW)



Projections are based on a Base Case Scenario and assumptions tested by Bridgewater analysis

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Translating AI Cap-ex Dollars to GDP Growth Impact

1 GW of Data Center Capacity = \$47bln of Capex Spending					
IT Equipment \$31.1bln			Power Equipment \$6.9bln	Cooling Equipment \$2.6bln	Construction \$6.2bln
<i>Chips</i> \$26.0bln	<i>Networking Equipment</i> \$3.5bln	<i>Server Racks & Others</i> \$1.6bln			
<i>Nvidia, AMD, Broadcom</i>	<i>Innolight, Arista, Amphenol</i>	<i>Foxconn, Quanta</i>	<i>Schneider Electric, Vertiv</i>	<i>Johnson Controls, SPX Technologies</i>	<i>Many</i>

Example Companies in Supply Chain

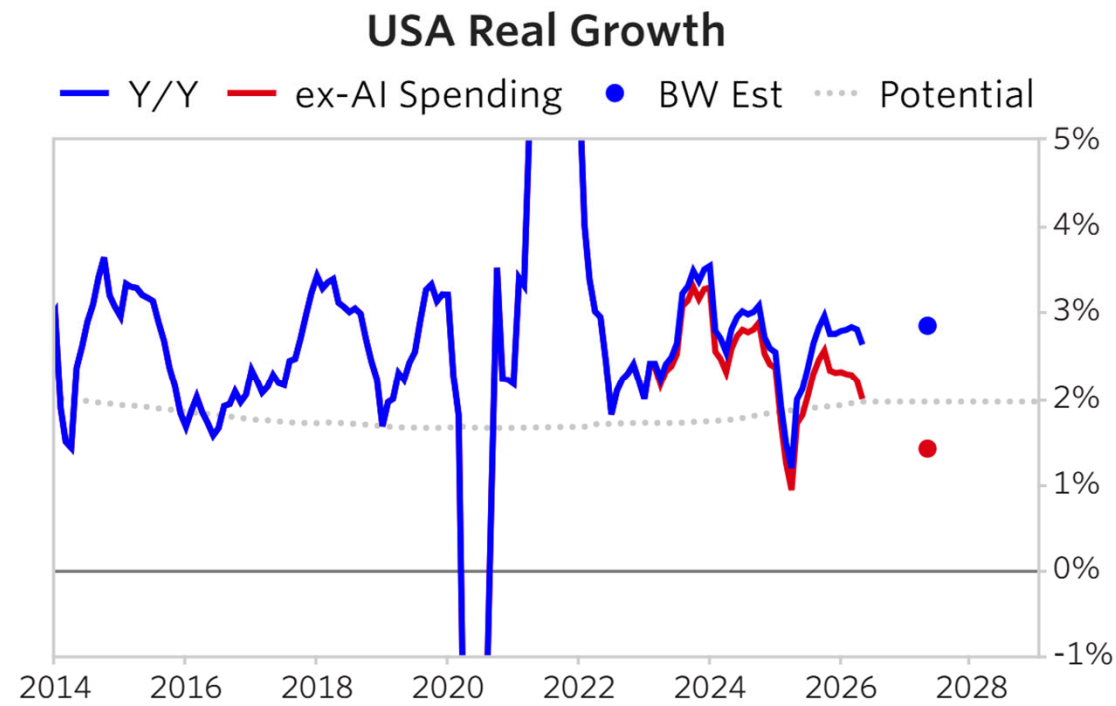
Flow-through to US GDP

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Medium Captured as Nvidia profits, but low recycling to other spending	Low High import share from non-US companies	Low High import share from non-US companies	Medium Moderate import share, high recycling to other spending	Medium Moderate import share, high recycling to other spending	High Largely domestic, high recycling to other spending
= \$25bln of US GDP					

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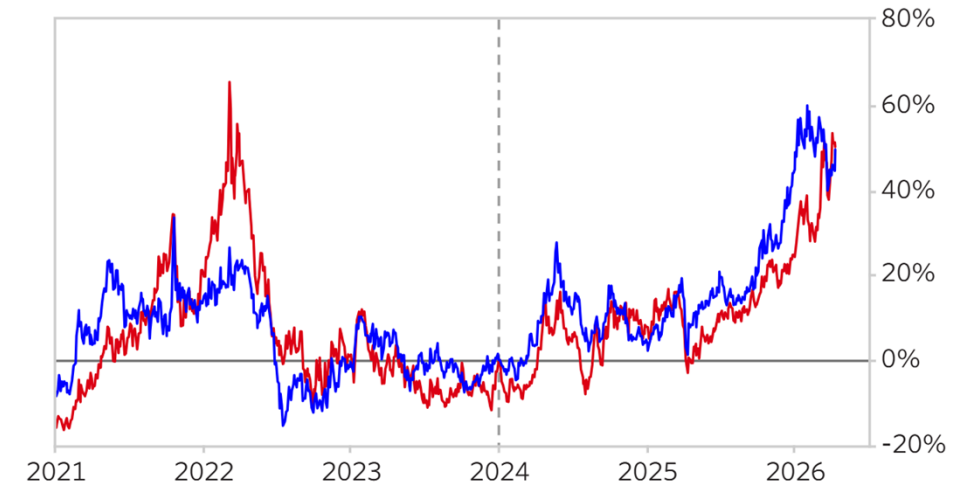
Capex Spend Will Be a Dominant Driver of Economies and a Pressure on Inflation



AI-Driven Price Pressures Are Beginning to Show

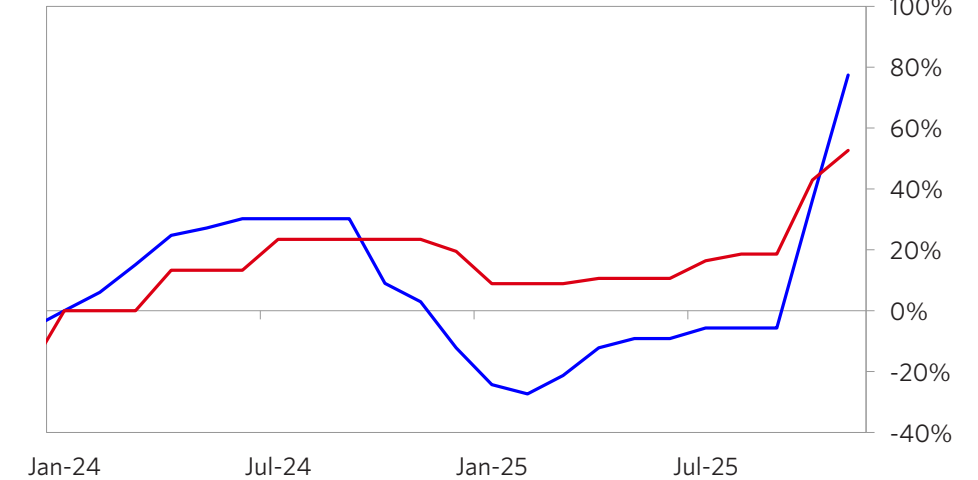
CMD Prices (Ind to Start of 2024)

— Copper — Aluminum



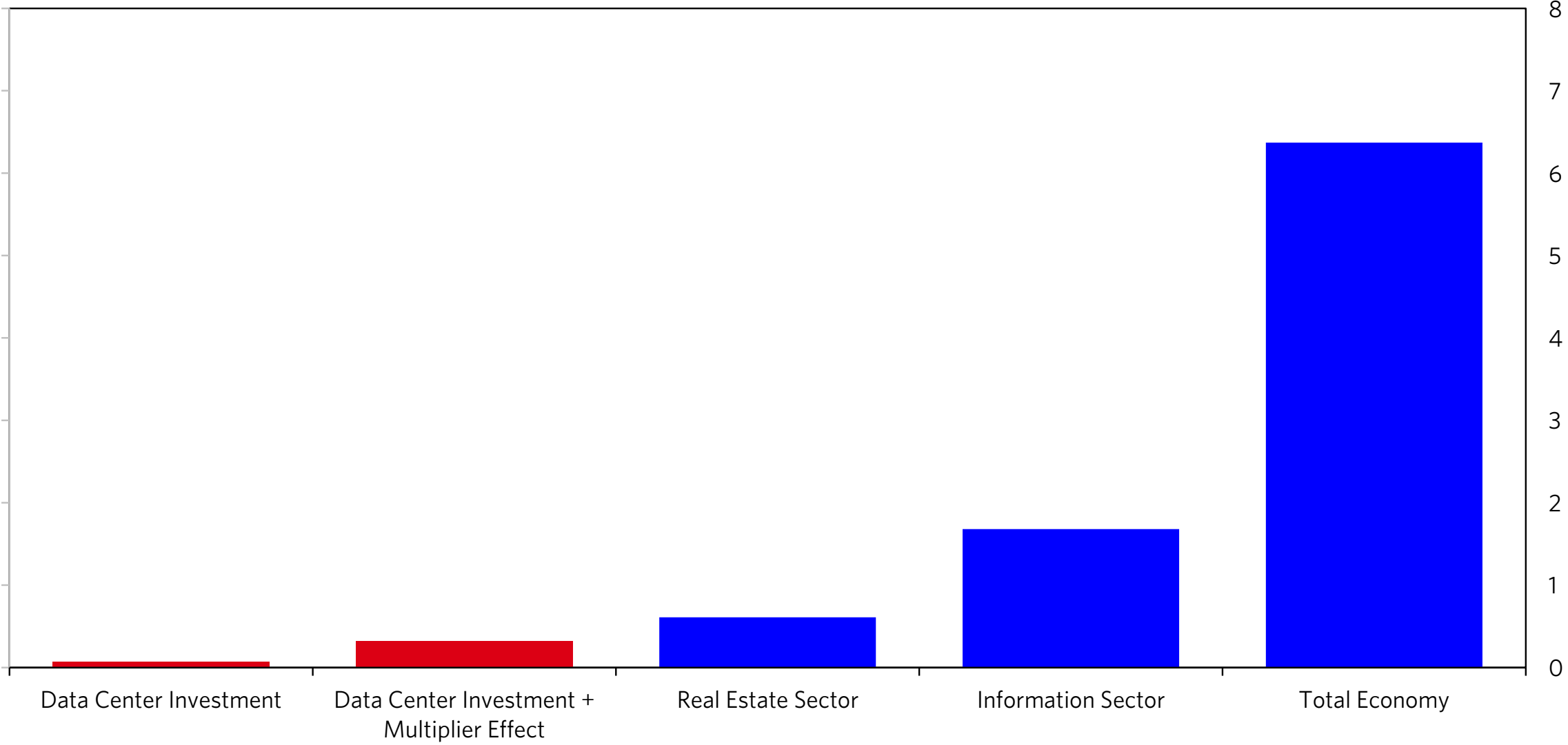
Memory Contract Pricing (Ind to Start of 2024)

— NAND — DDR5



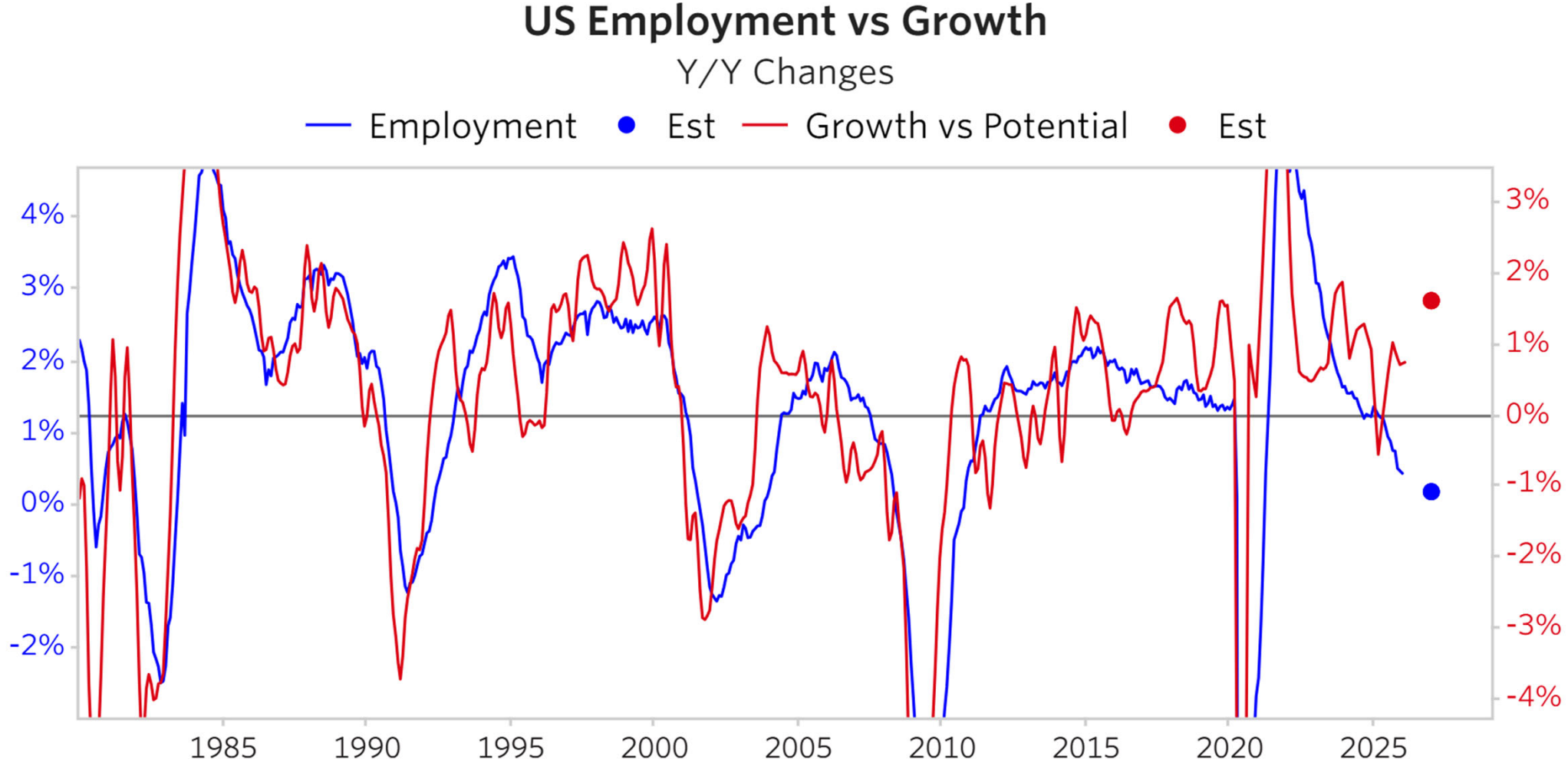
AI Capex Has Low Labor Intensity

Labor Intensity of Growth Drivers
Employees per Million USD of Real GDP



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The AI Buildout is Driving "Misshapen" Growth - A Challenge for Fed Policy

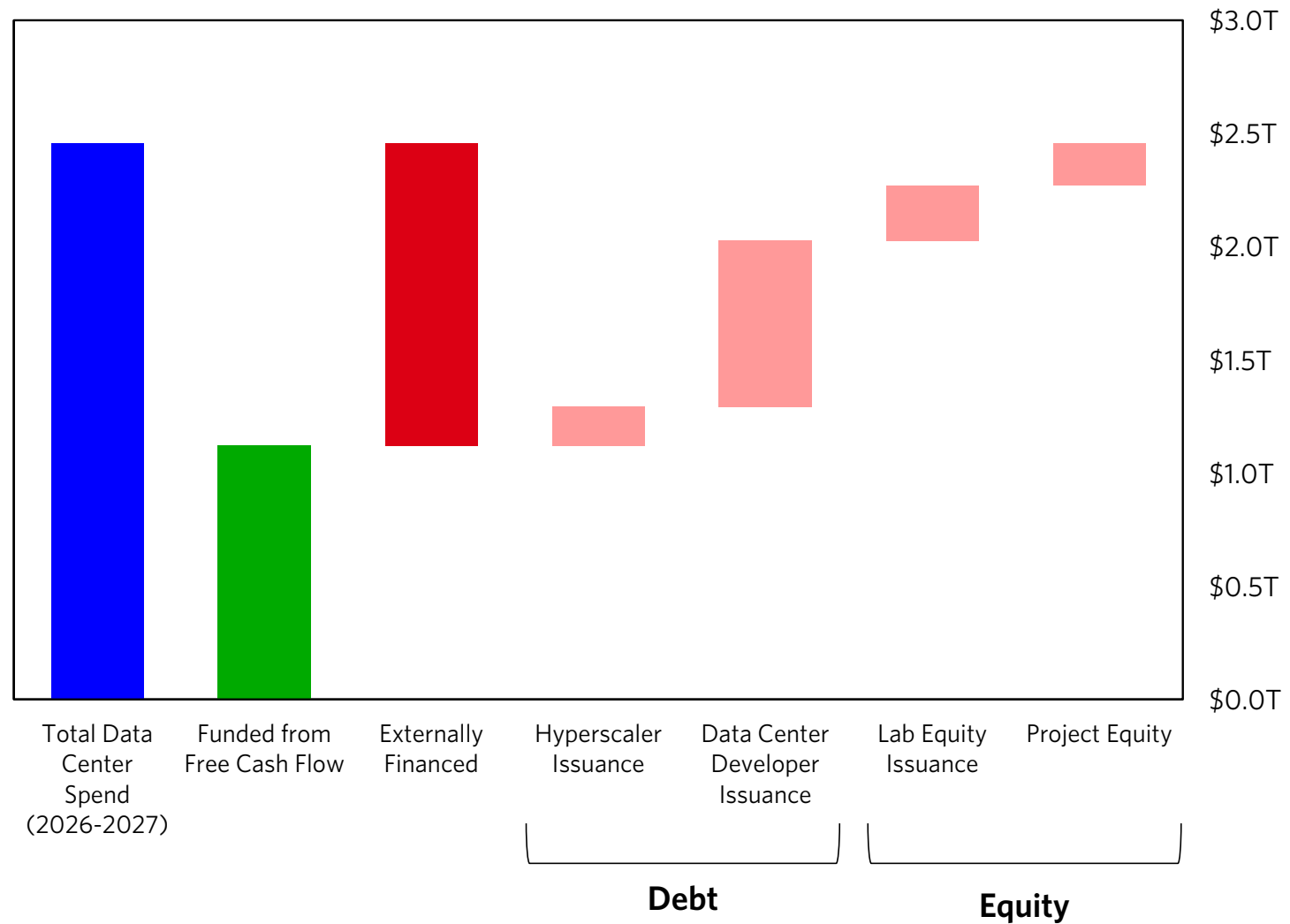


This expansion is worse for workers...

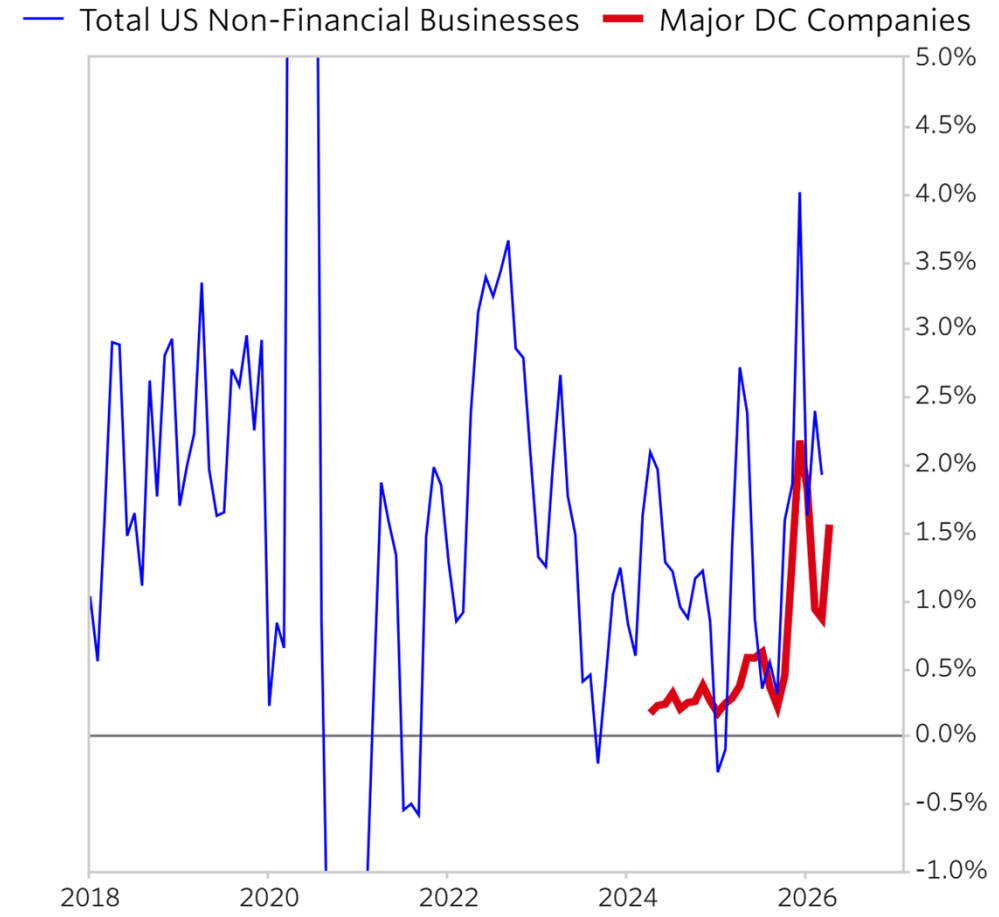
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Capex Will Now Require Significant External Funding, Drawing on Capital Markets

Sources of Financing for US Spending on Data Center Construction

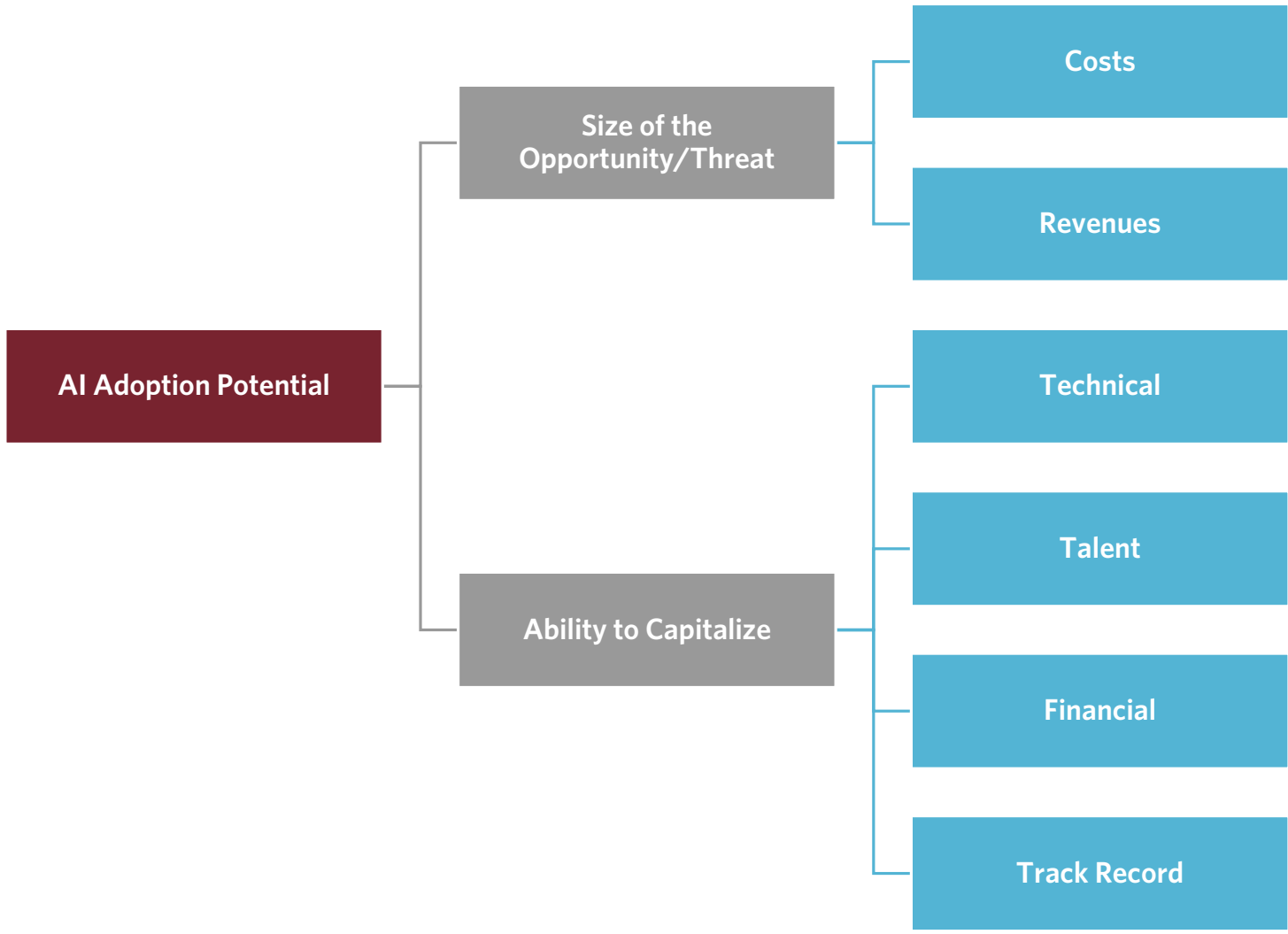


Debt Issuance (3mma, Ann, %GDP)



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A Framework for AI Adoption Impact



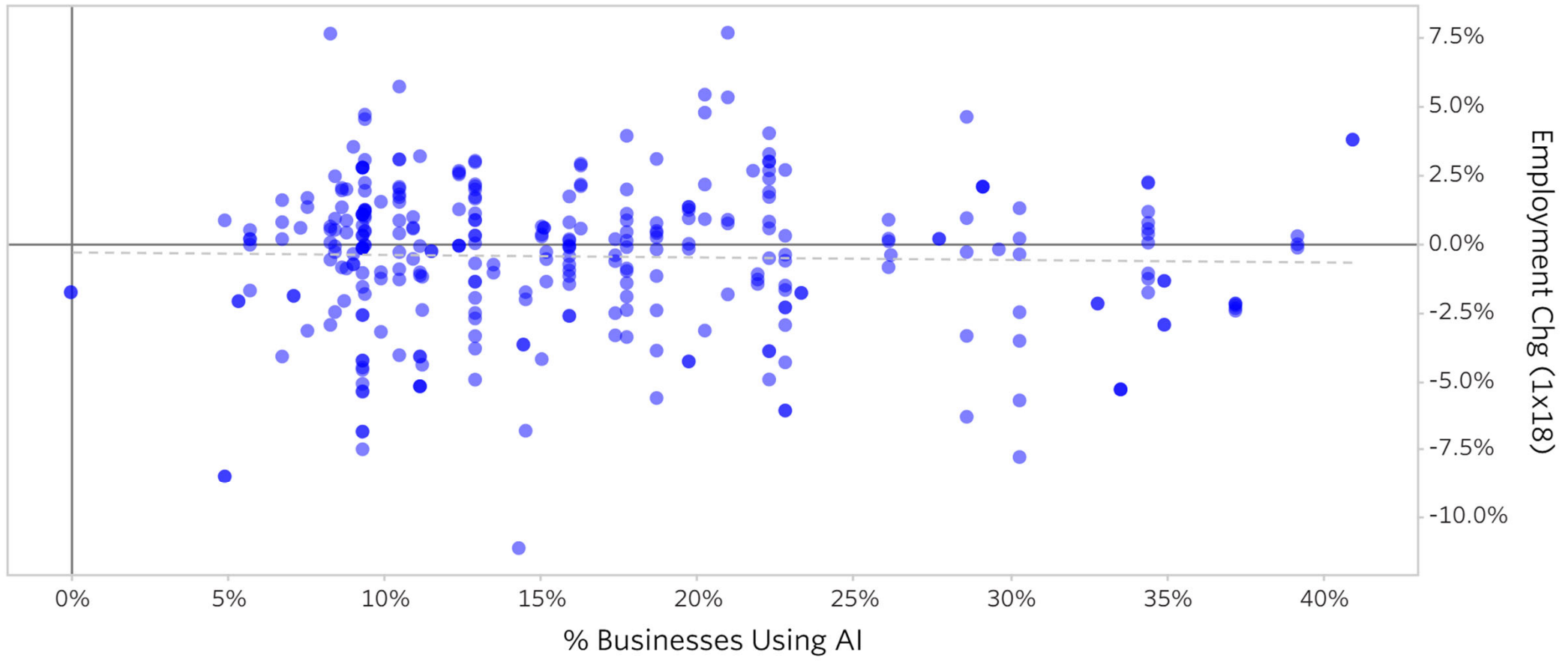
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Data Does Not Yet Show Evidence of Significant Labor Displacement by AI

Industry Employment Growth (Y/Y) vs BTOS AI Adoption Rate

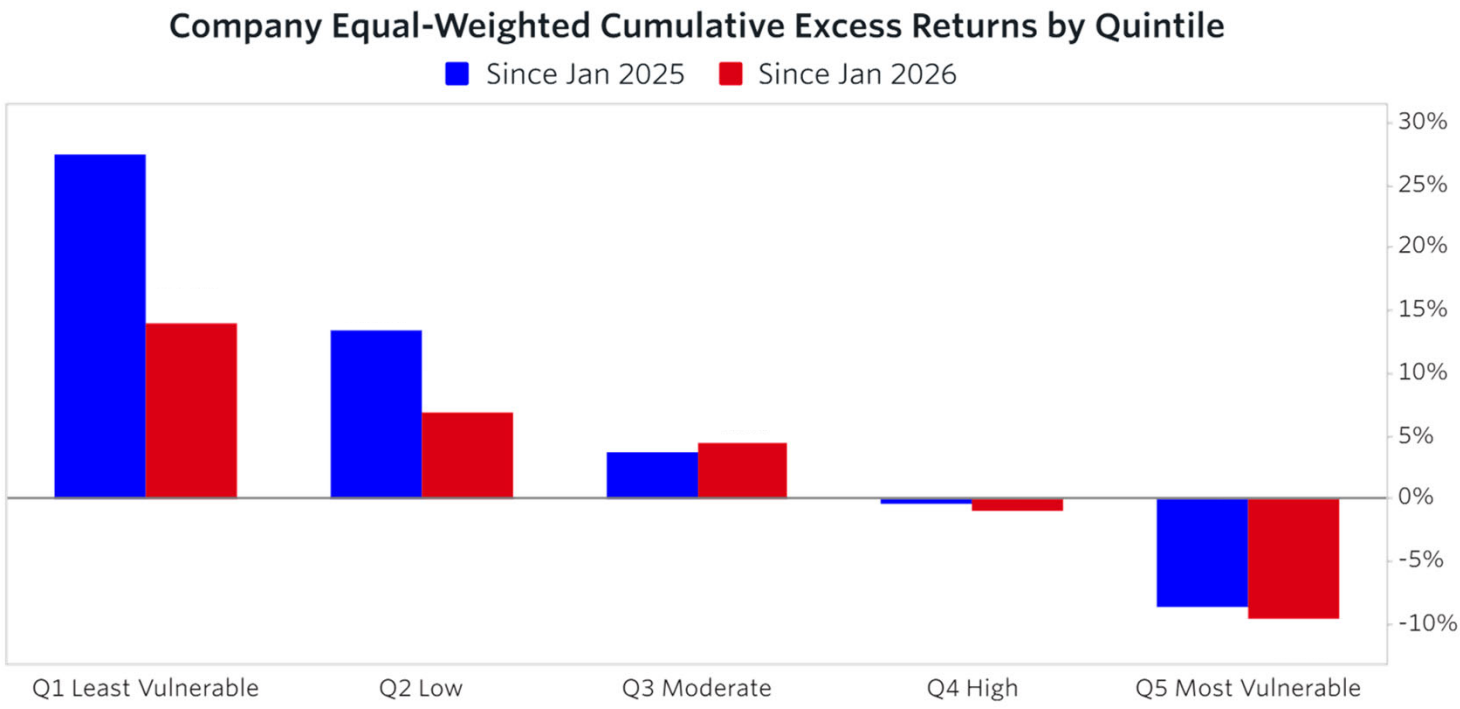
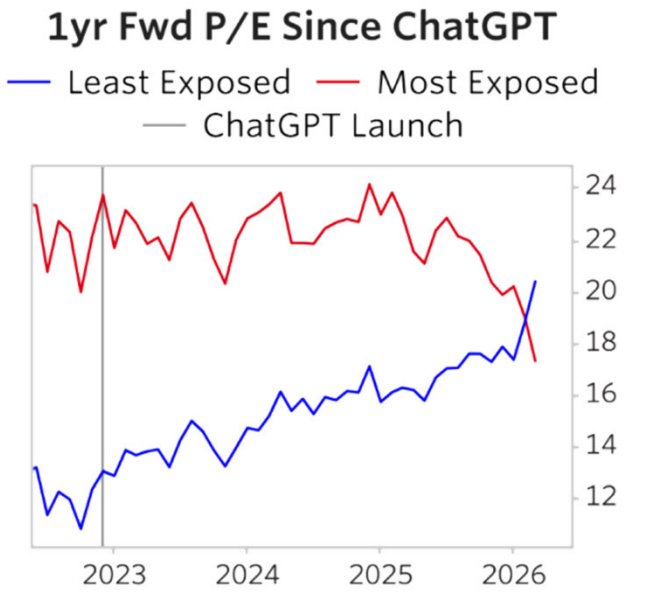
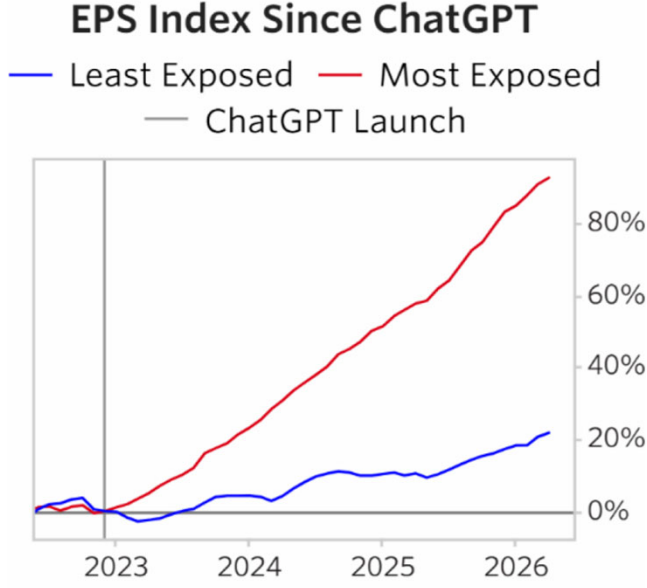
$R^2 = 0.001$ — BTOS Sub-sectors

--- Best Fit



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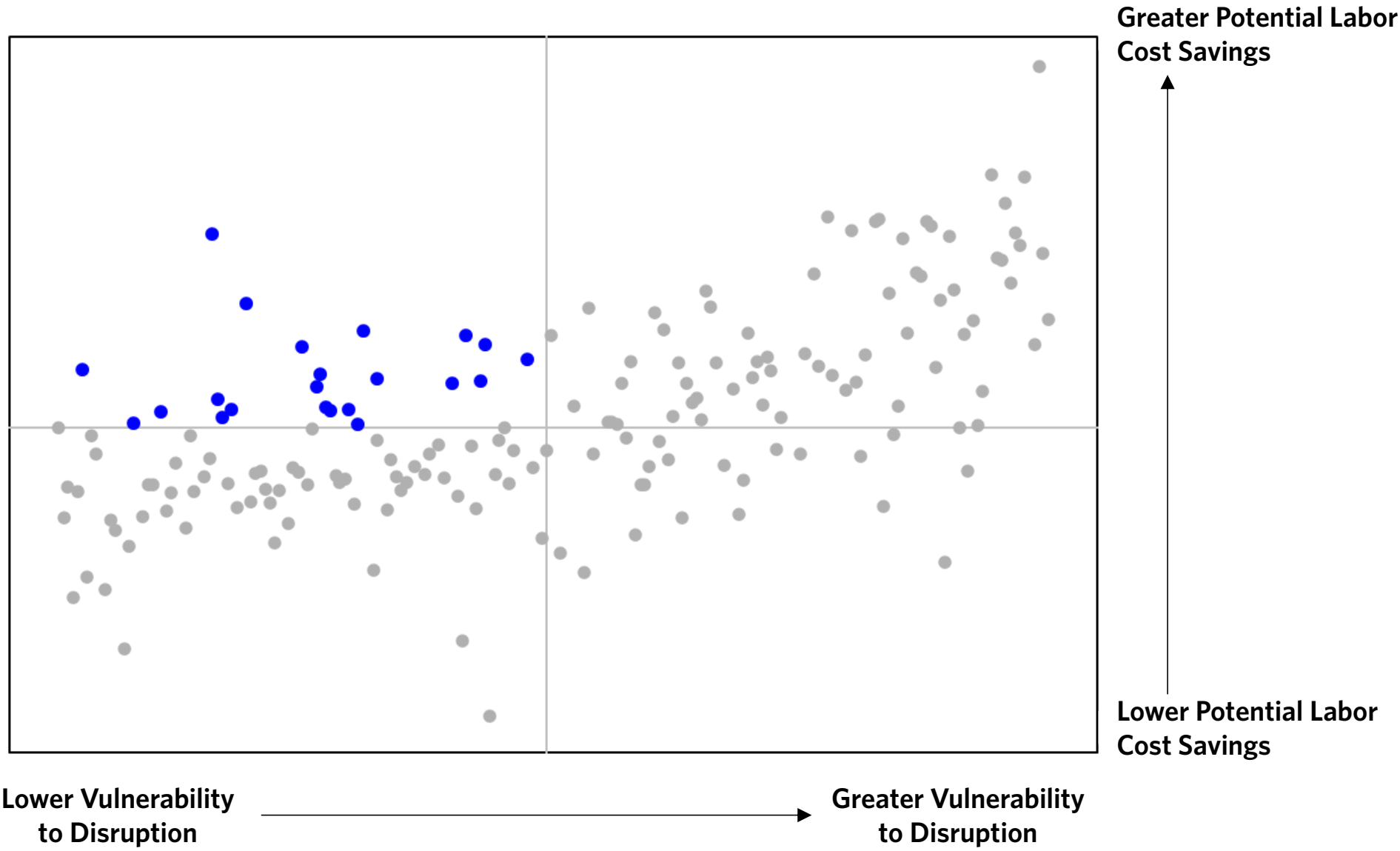
Markets Have Recently Re-Priced Revenue Vulnerability, But Not Yet By Much



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There is Vulnerability and Opportunity Ahead from AI Adoption

Vulnerability to Disruption vs. Potential Labor Savings



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Implications for Investors

A Complicated Outlook for Institutional Portfolios

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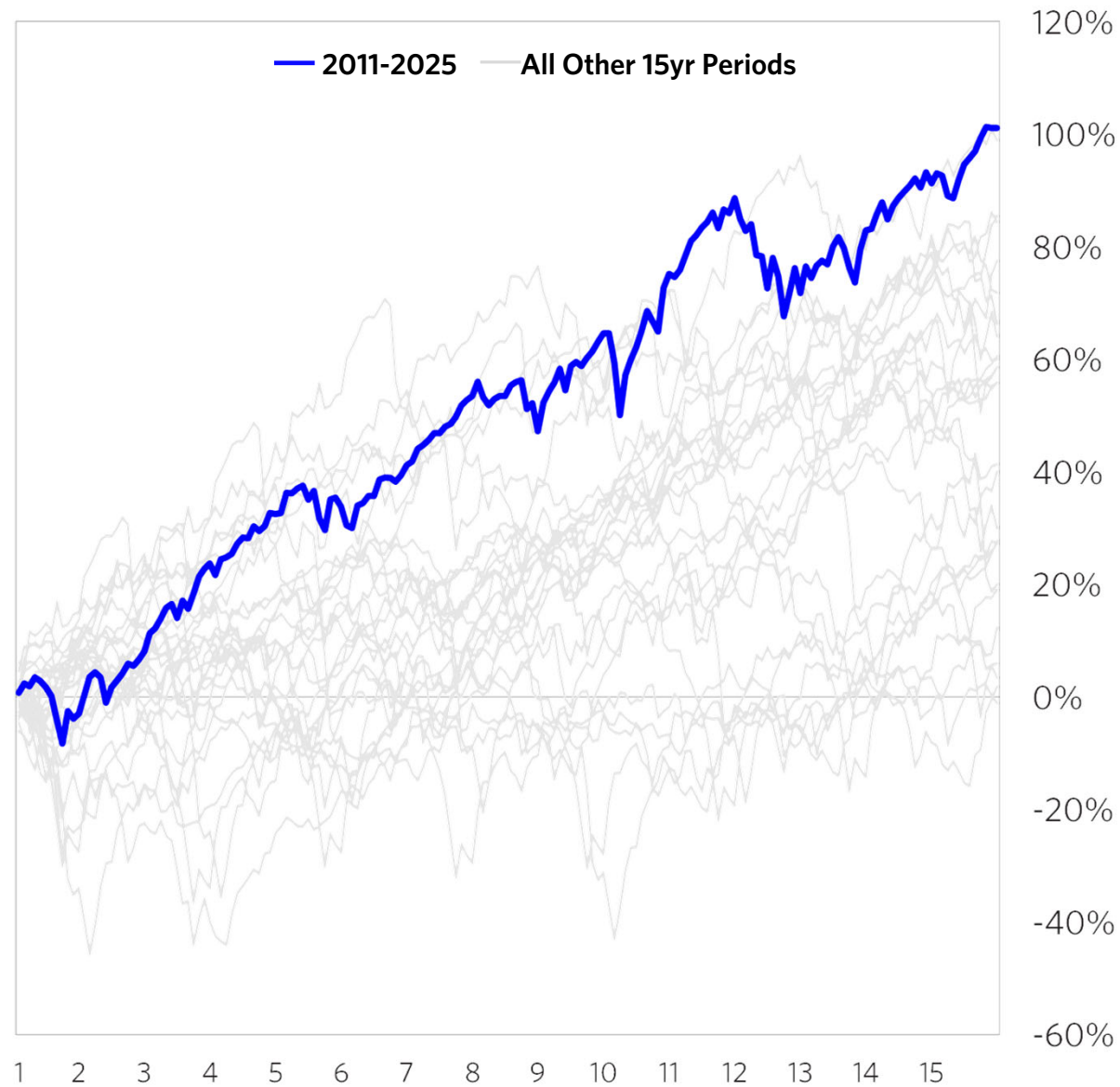
- Institutional and political risks
- Tariff effects on growth/inflation
- Deglobalization drag on productivity
- /+ Greater fiscal spending
- + Cash is unattractive
- + Deregulation
- + Government support for strategic companies

Artificial Intelligence

- + Greater profits as capex rises
- + Capex support to growth
- + Wealth effect from rising equity prices
- +/- Pricing creates a high but achievable hurdle
- Starving other sectors of capital
- Resource shortage impact on inflation
- Declining free cash flow

We Are Coming Out of an Exceptionally Favorable Period for Investors, Driven by US Equity and USD Outperformance

70/30 Performance Over Every 15-Year Period Since 1960
(Cumulative In, Excess Returns, Hedged)



Relative 15-Year Performance of US Equities vs World Ex-US Equities
(Rolling 15-Year Relative Returns Annualized)

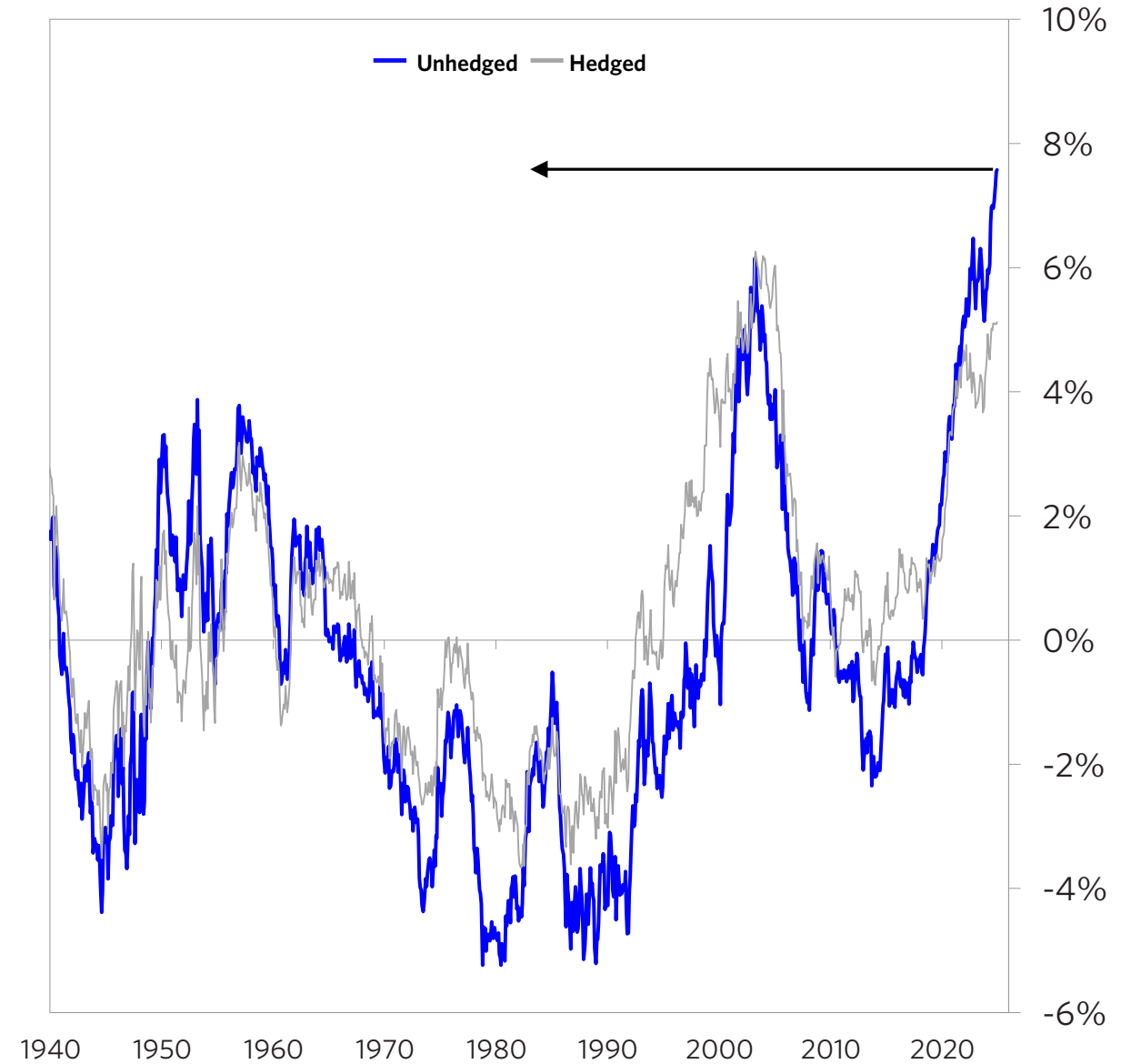
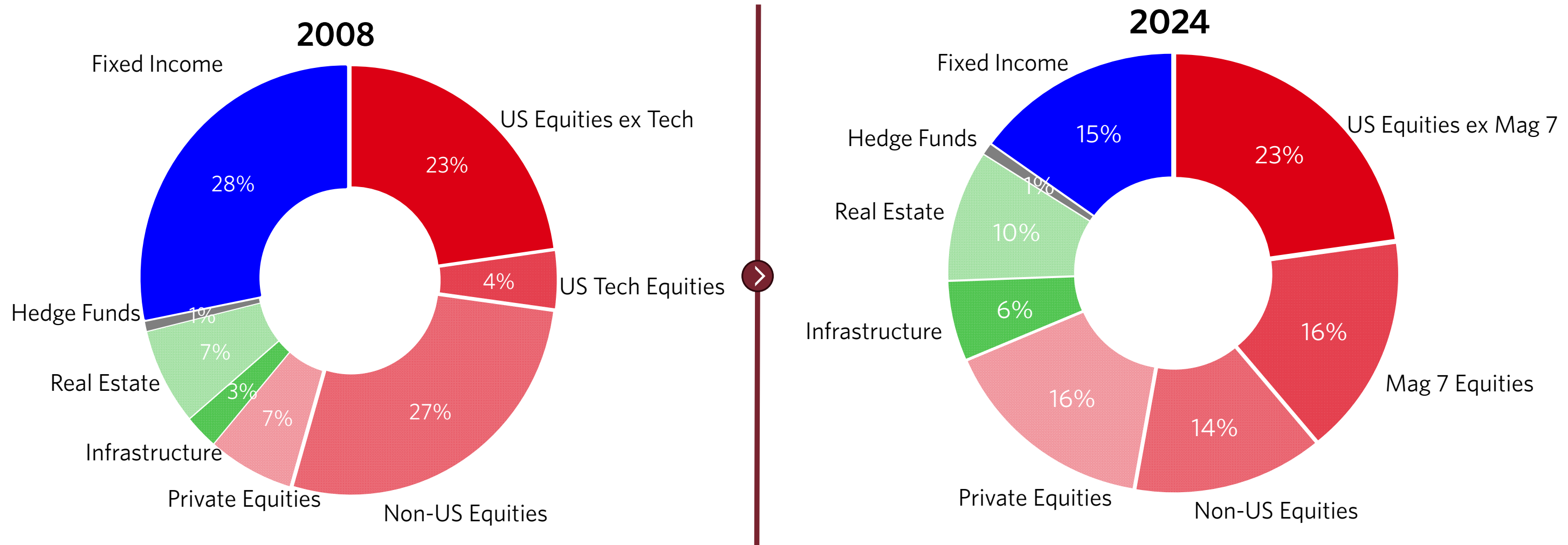


Chart on the right shows performance shown through December 2024. The 70/30 is comprised of 70% Global Equities and 30% Developed World Bonds which are both FX Hedged. Portfolio shows 15-year periods, sampled every two years. Past performance is not indicative of future results. Please review the "Important Disclosures and Other Information" located at the end of this presentation.

Over the Past 15 Years Portfolios Have Been Reshaped, and Are Now Concentrated and Vulnerable to the Future Being Different

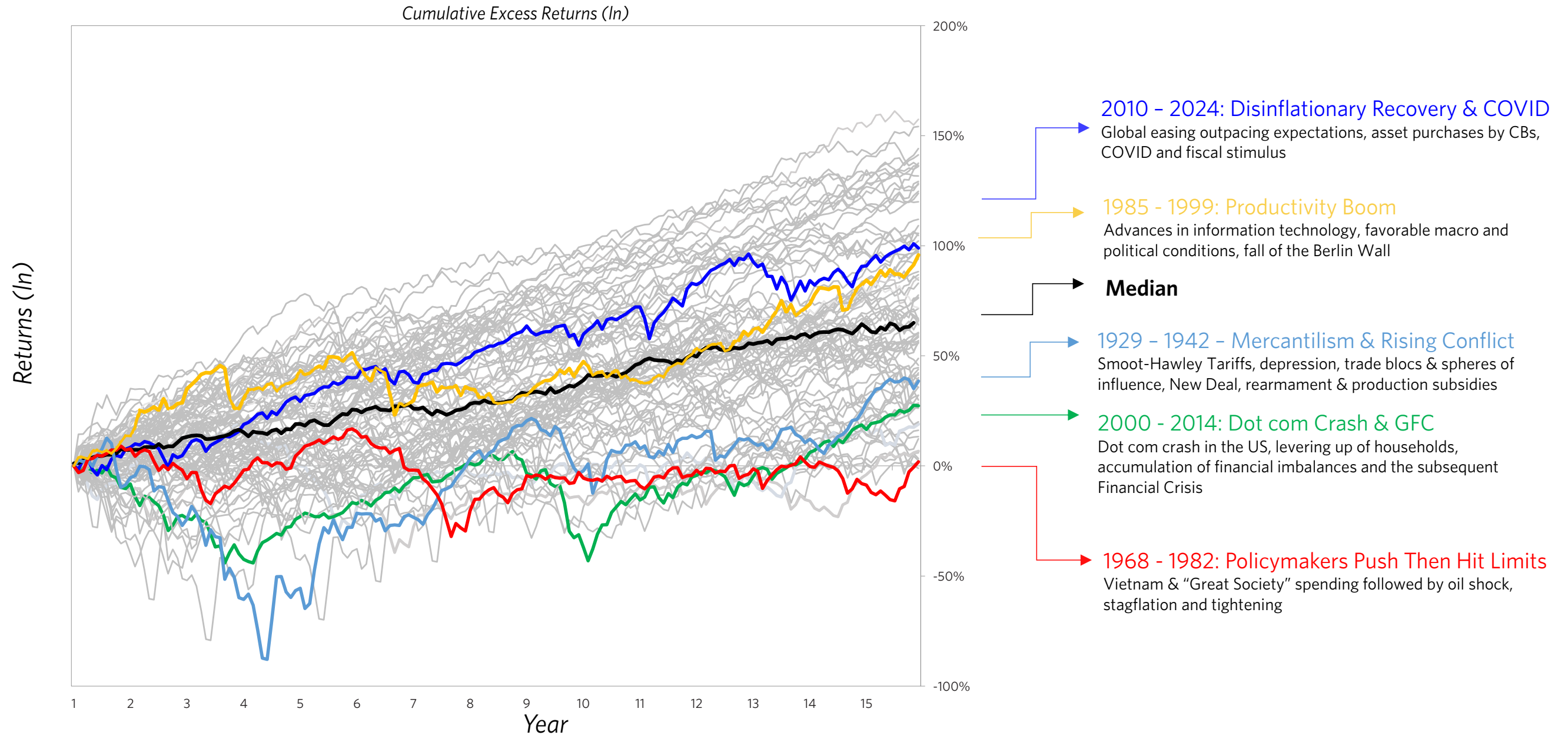
Illustrative Average Institutional Risk Allocation



Average institutional allocation by asset class is based on data from the Global SWF 2022 Annual Report and Bridgewater analysis. Risk Allocation analysis based on capital allocation of assets and asset volatilities. Please review the "Important Disclosures and Other Information" located at the end of this presentation.

The New Secular Dynamics Present an Even Greater Range of Outcomes

Global 70/30 Performance Over Every 15-Year Period Since 1925



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The New World Creates an Urgent Need for Portfolio Resiliency and Offers an Attractive Entry Point

US-Led Shift to a New Geopolitical & Macroeconomic Paradigm

Modern mercantilism is producing a risky world moving in a different direction.

A Major Technological Disruption

Artificial intelligence is on the threshold of transformative impact.

Portfolios Are Equity-Heavy and Concentrated in the US

Portfolios concentrated in assets that performed well in the past environment.

There are several levers for investors to handle uncertainty...

- 1 **Economic Environment Diversification**
- 2 **Geographic Diversification**
- 3 **Strategic Currency Allocation**
- 4 **Liquidity**
- 5 **Alpha**

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