## **Global and Canada's Economic Prospects**

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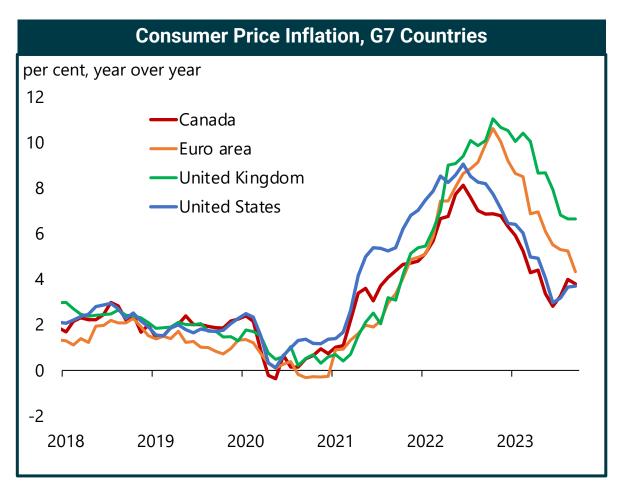
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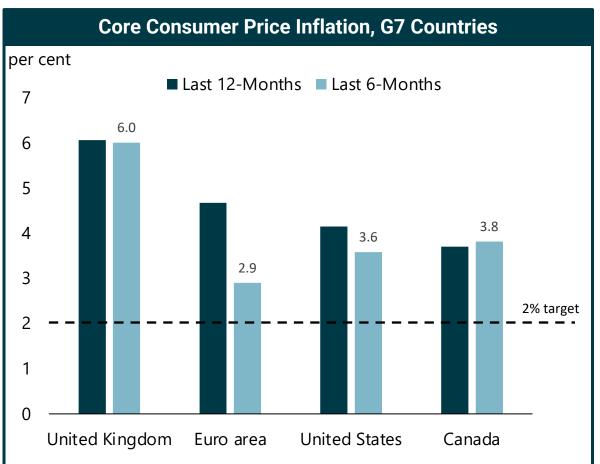
#### **Overview – Key Themes**

- 1. Global economy slowing and set to moderate further
- 2. Inflation has fallen from peak but remains elevated
- 3. Canadian economy approaching balance
- 4. Interest rates are high and expected to ease only gradually
- 5. Ensuring sustainable fiscal balances while addressing structural challenges

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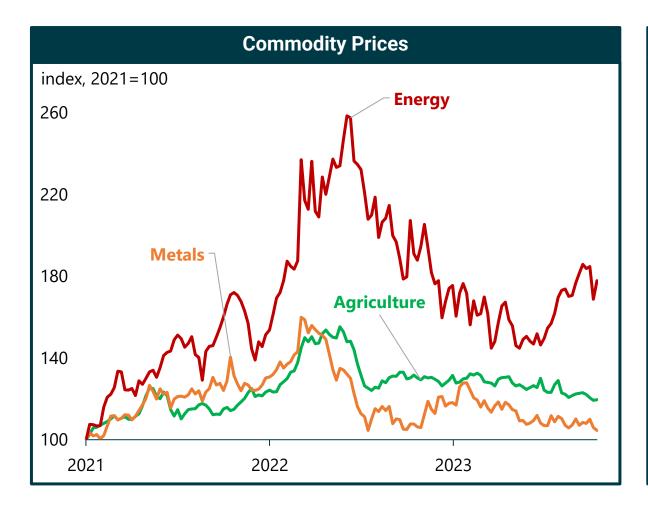
#### Inflation fell sharply as supply shocks resolve, but is persistent

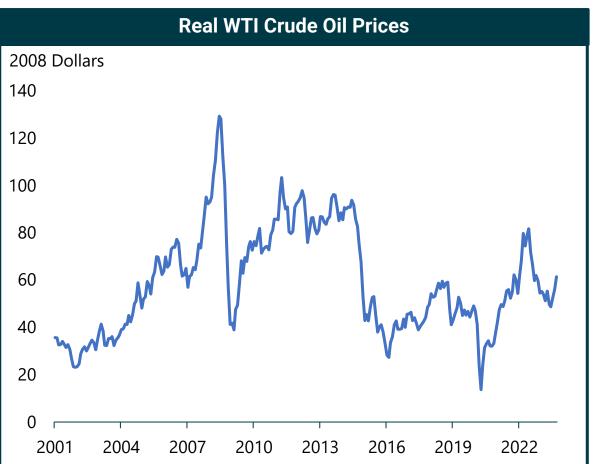




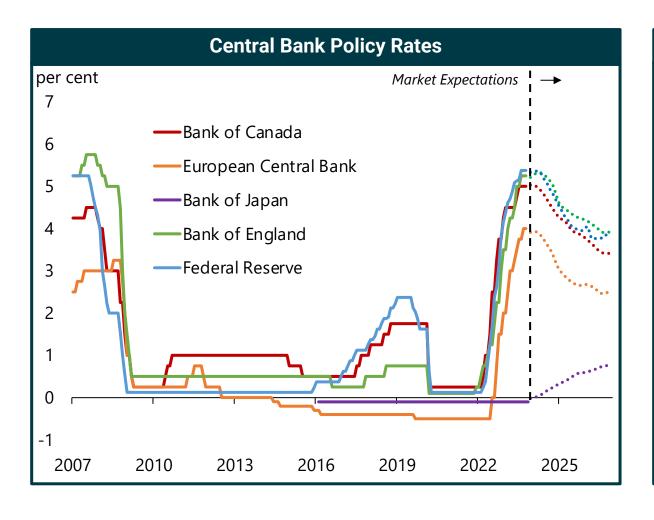
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#### Commodity prices have come down, but remain volatile



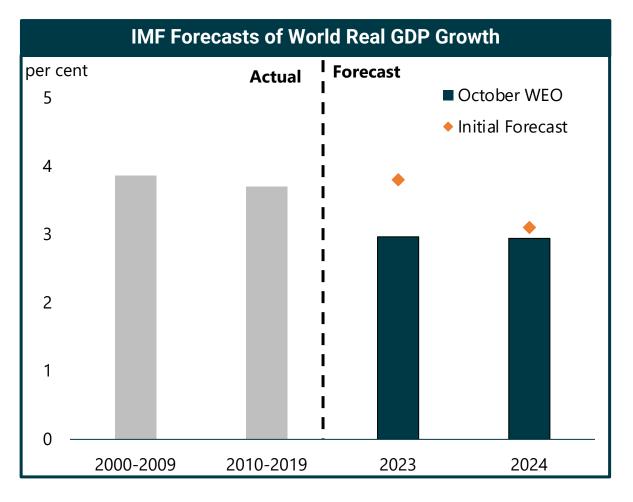


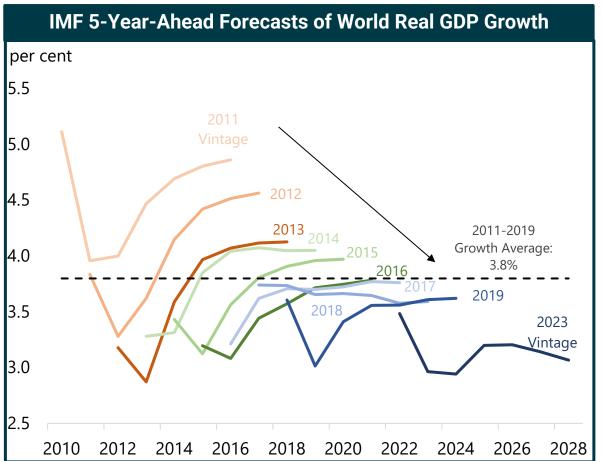
#### Central banks getting close to peak policy rates



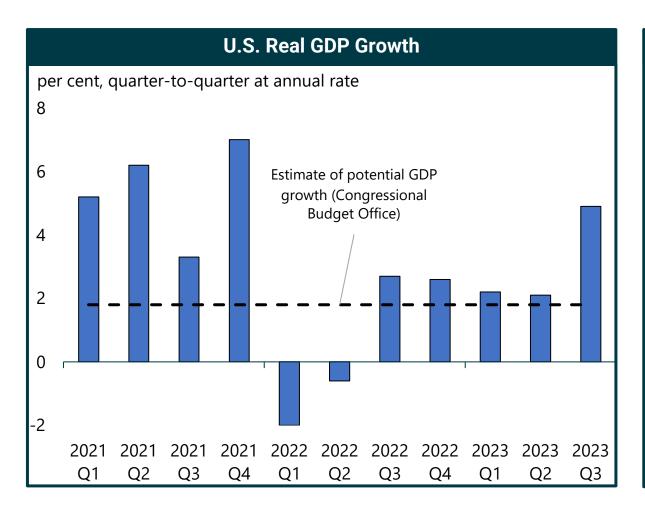


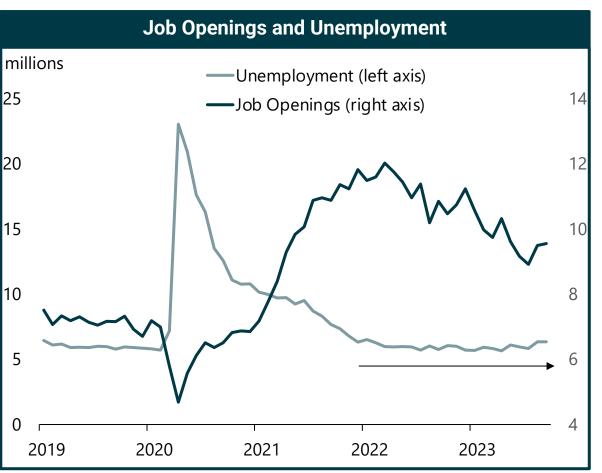
#### Global growth to remain moderate





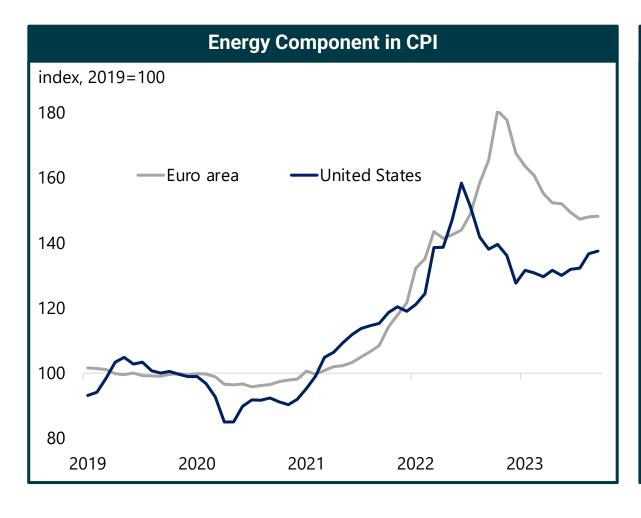
#### U.S. growth surprisingly strong

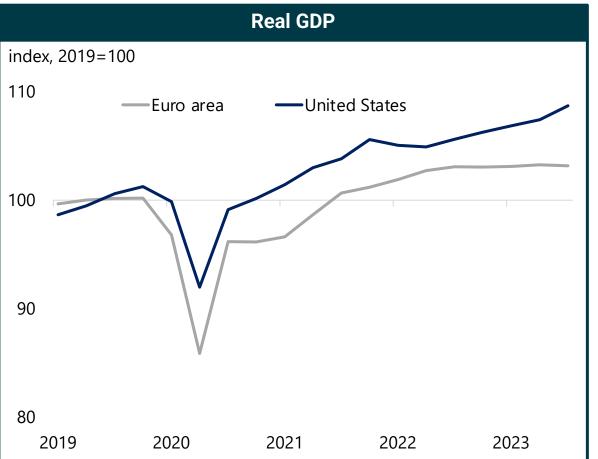




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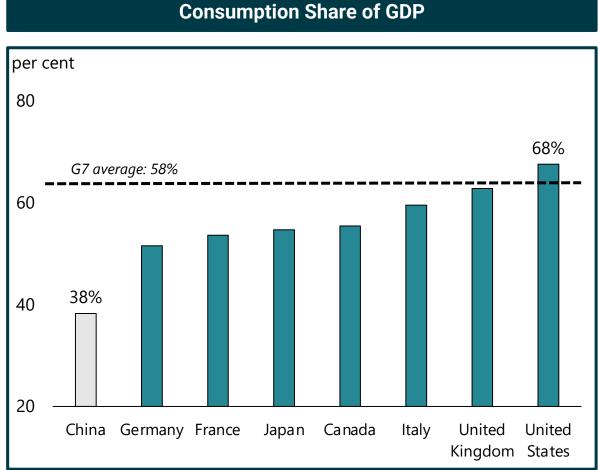
## Euro area adjusting to large energy shock





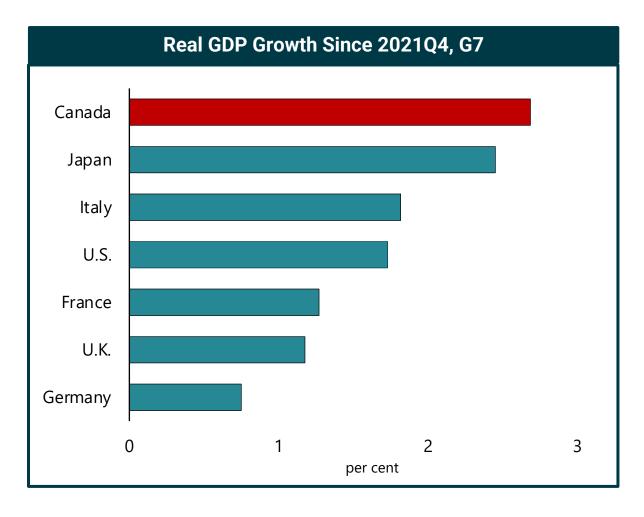
## Chinese economy facing cyclical and structural challenges

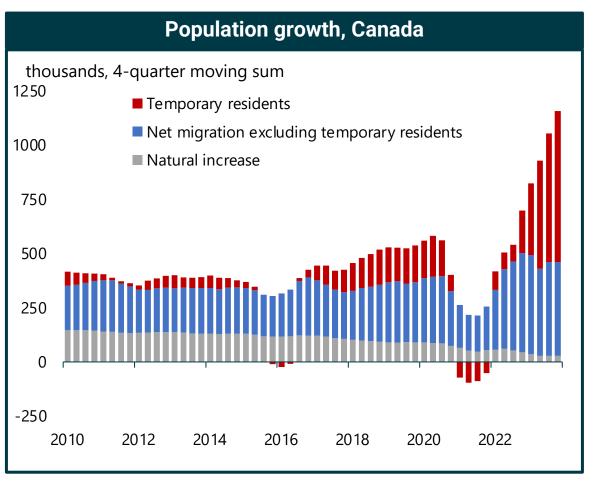




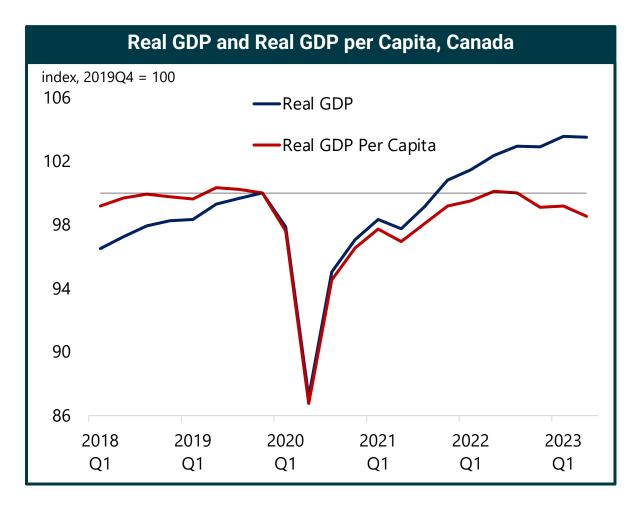
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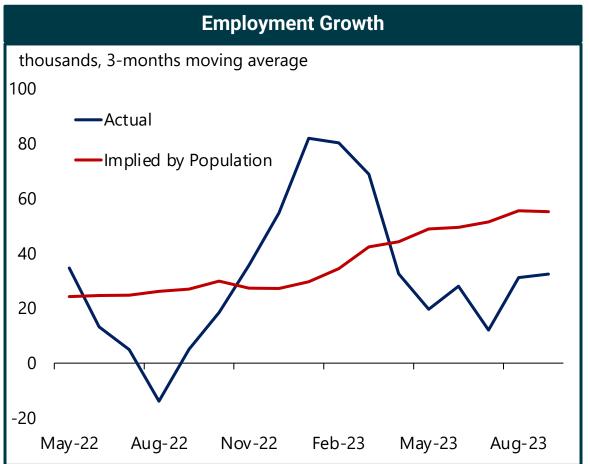
## Canada's economy has proven more resilient than expected





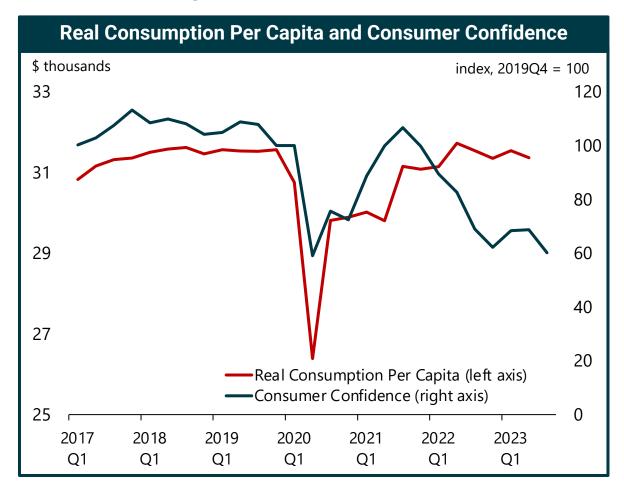
## Immigration boosting spending and labour supply

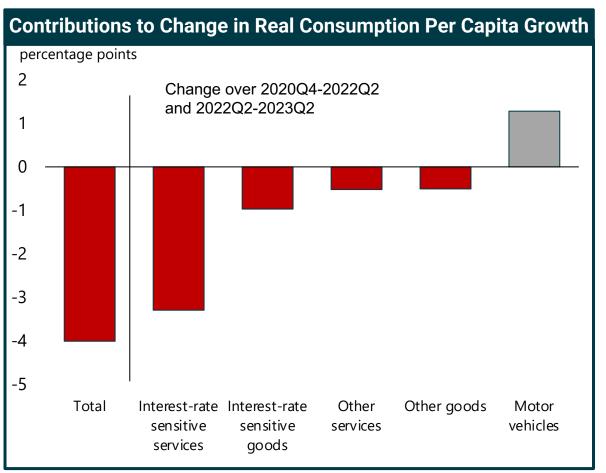




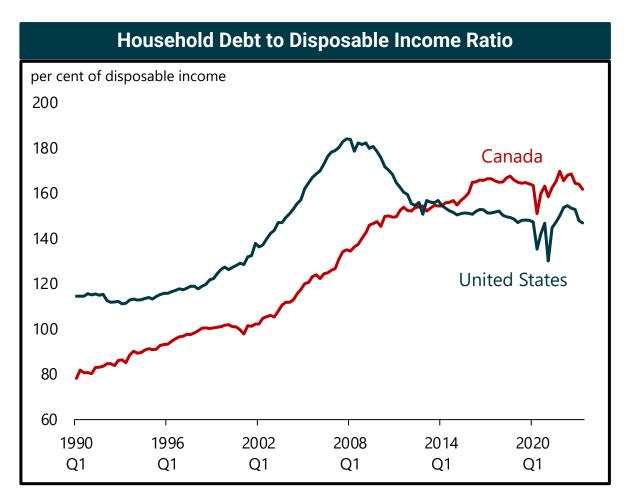
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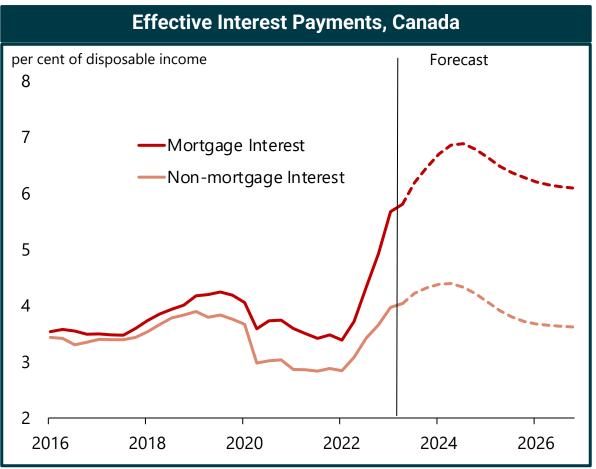
# Higher interest rates weighing on consumers with impacts continuing to build



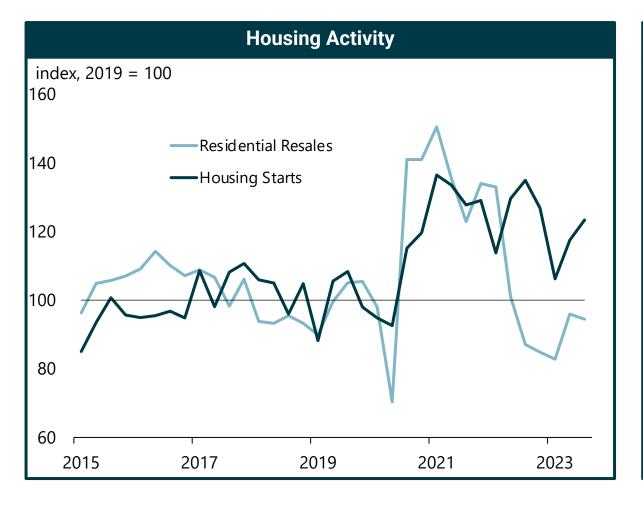


## Elevated debt burden putting pressure on household budgets





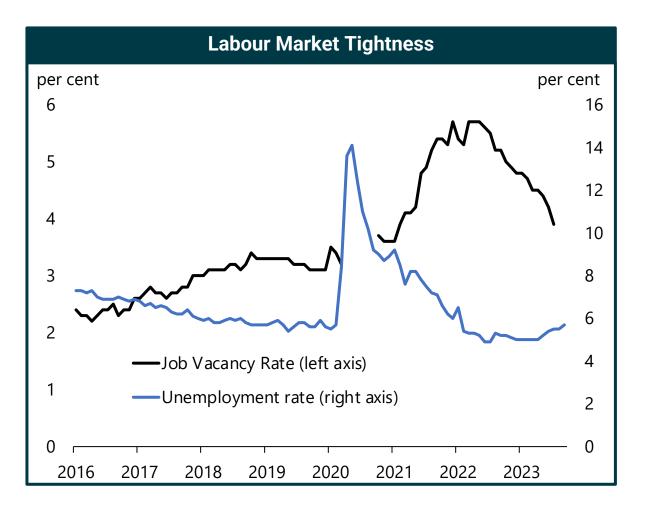
## Structural pressures in the housing market

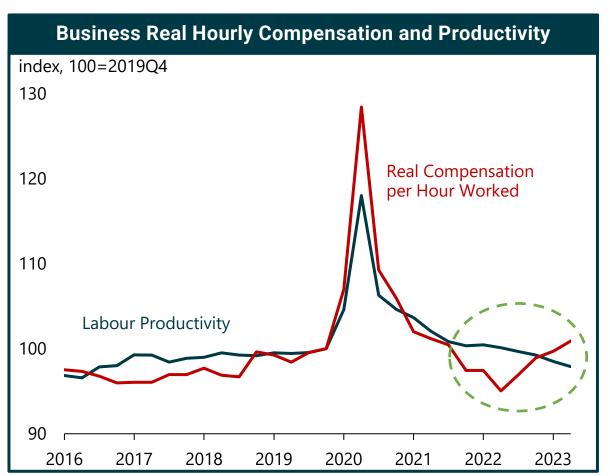




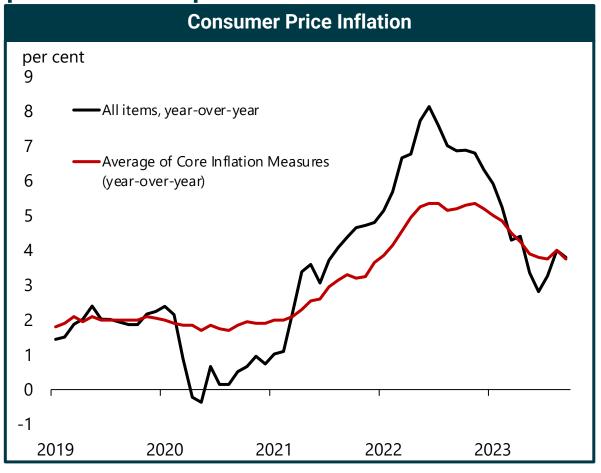
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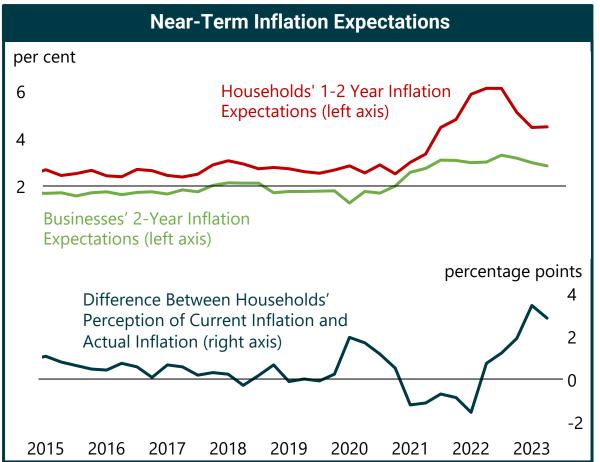
## Labour market re-balancing but wage growth not yet slowing



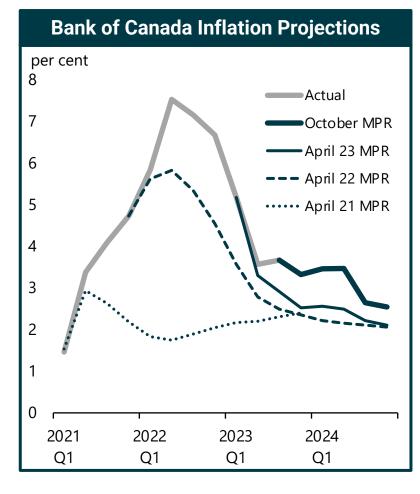


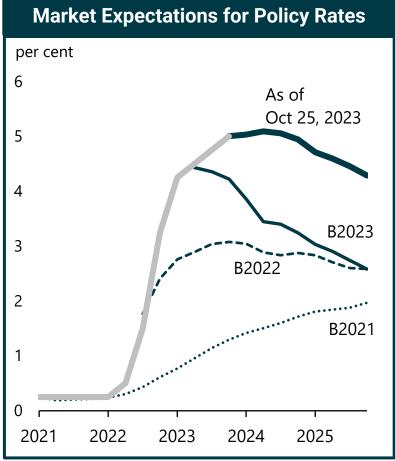
Resilient economy accompanied by easing inflation, but price pressures persist

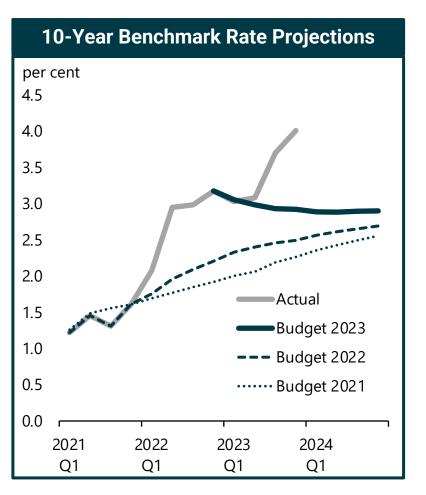




## Top economic challenge is to lower inflation, and interest rates







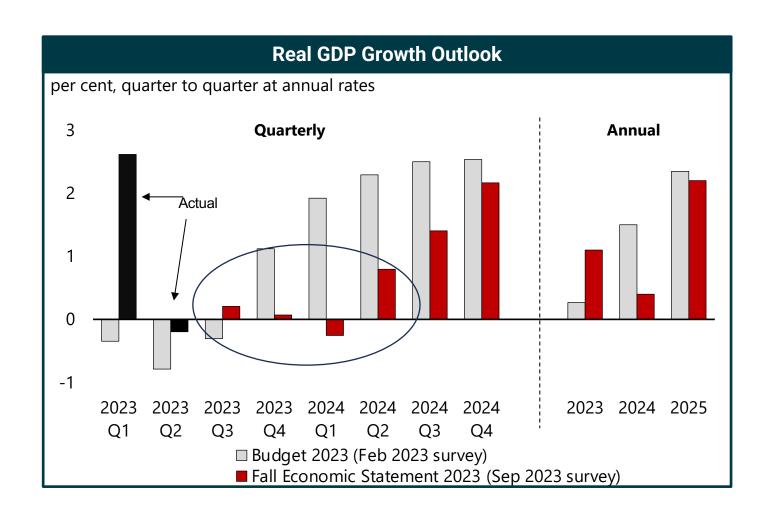
#### Canada projected to avoid a shallow recession, but risks remain

On the path for a "soft landing":

Subdued growth (less than 1%) over the next year

Easing inflation (to reach 2% by end of 2024)

Resilient labour market (unemployment rate to peak at 6.5% by 2024Q2)



#### Transitioning to a world of slow growth and higher interest rates

- Global growth to remain moderate
- Interest rates to remain elevated
- Debt burdens harder to manage

This is a challenging landscape at a time when major structural investments are needed to support the climate transition, reconfigure supply chains, and make housing more affordable

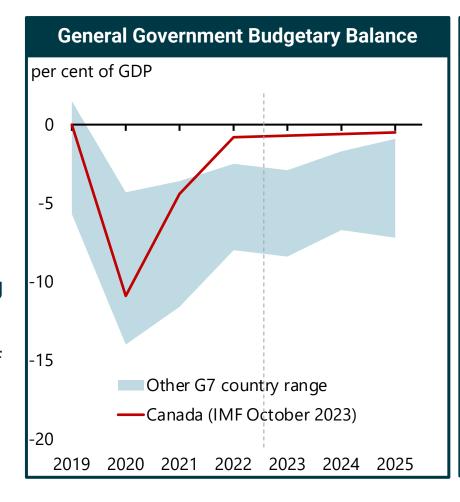
#### Canada's fiscal situation places well among G7 countries

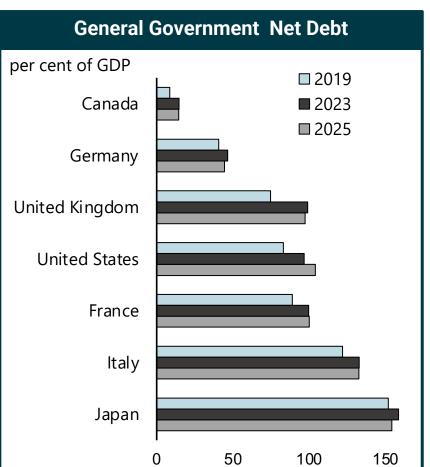
- Fastest rate of fiscal consolidation in the G7
- Fiscal objectives:

Maintain the 2023-24 deficit at about \$40B, as projected in B2023

Lowering the debt-to-GDP ratio in 2024-25, and keeping it on a declining track

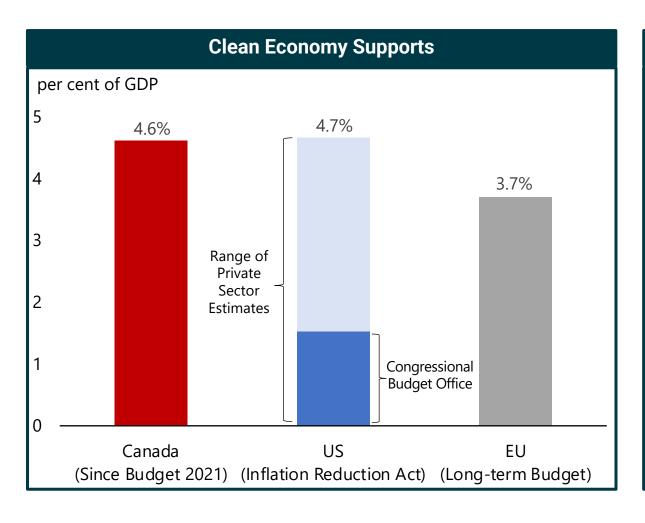
Keeping deficits below 1% of GDP in 2026-27 and all future years

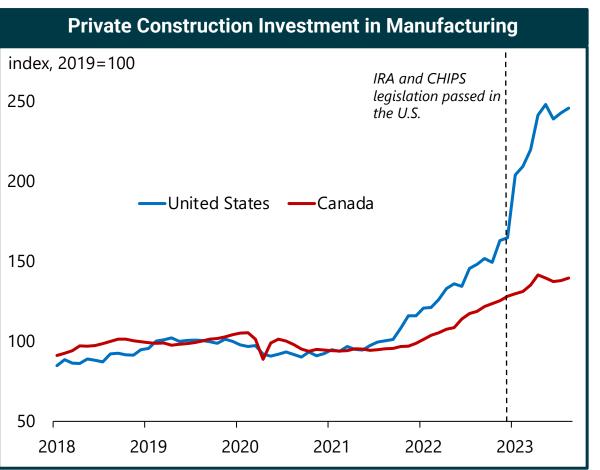




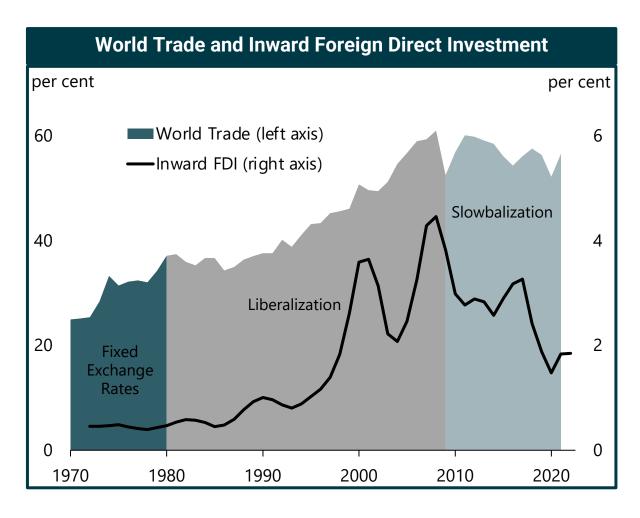
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## Building Canada's clean economy





#### Globalization has slowed and trade patterns are shifting





## **Key Considerations**

- Managing public finances in a low growth, higher interest rate environment
- Balancing the roles and capacity of fiscal policies
- Ensuring we can keep investing in Canadians and our economy in the future

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