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Outlook for US regional banks

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Key themes for banks:

- CRE holdings
- Credit quality deterioration because of Fed hikes
- Held-to-maturity issues because of higher rates
- Duration of deposits
- Funding costs in wholesale markets for regional banks
- Basel 3 endgame
- Fed pivot boosting lending and capital markets activity

Source: Apollo Chief Economist

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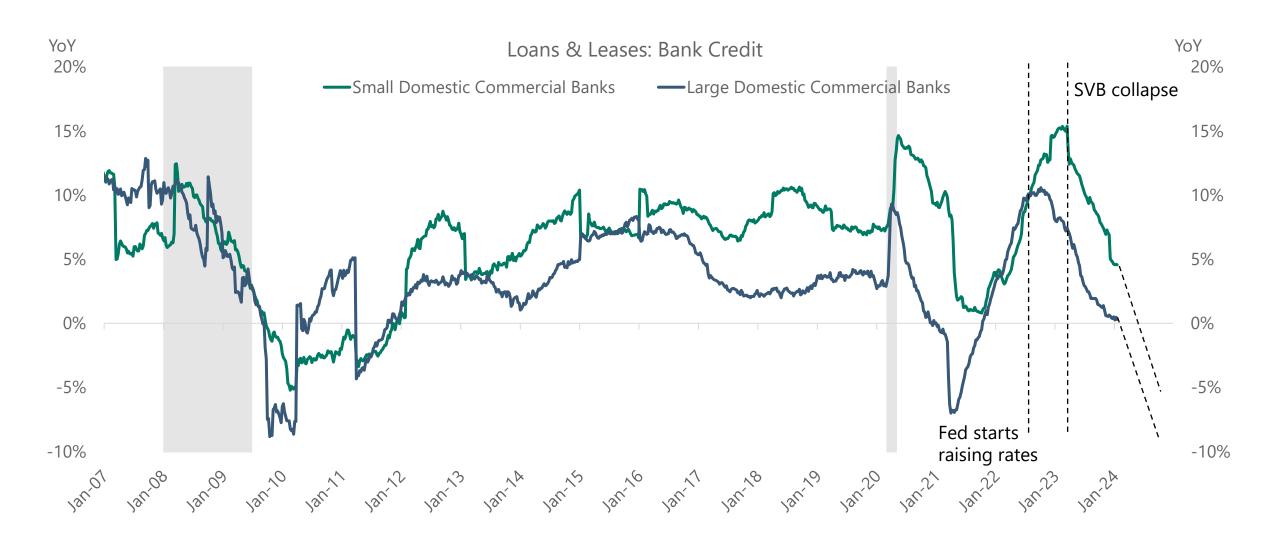
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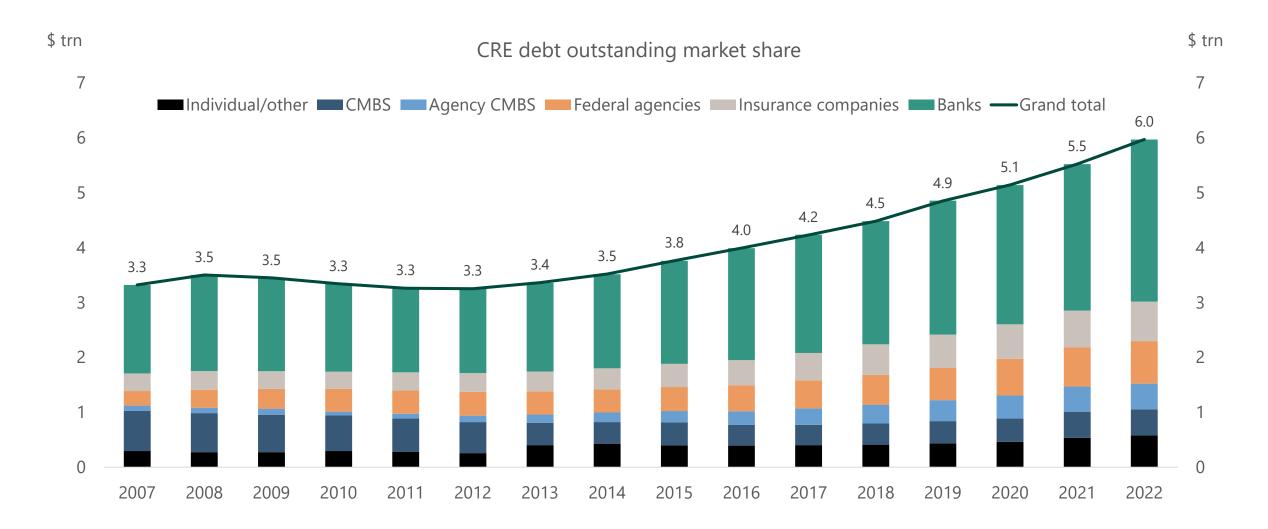
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Overview

Weekly Fed data shows small and large bank lending growth slowing

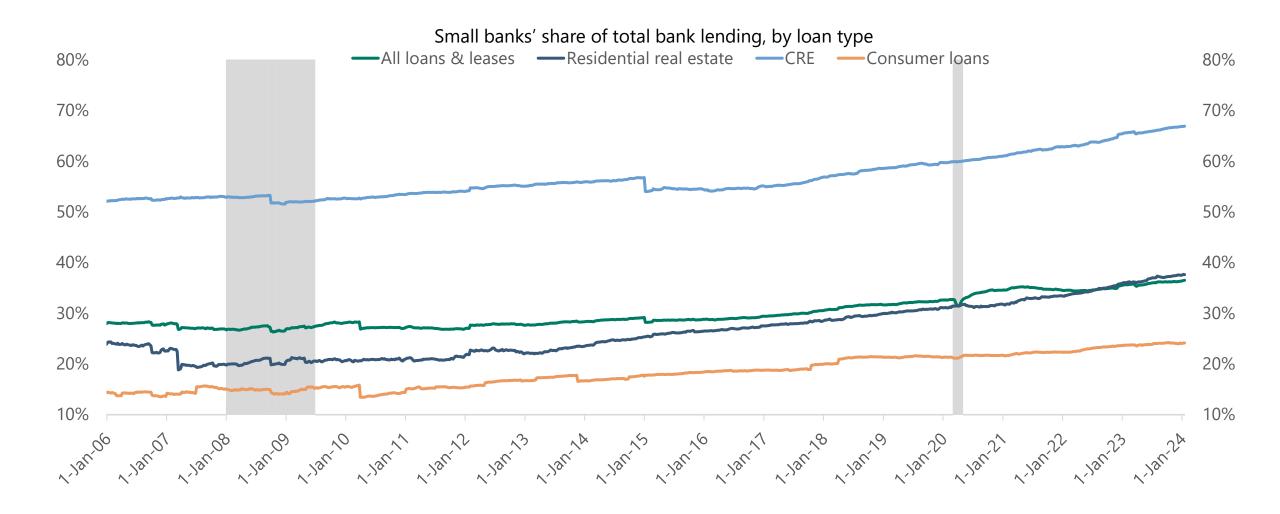


US banks hold half of CRE debt outstanding

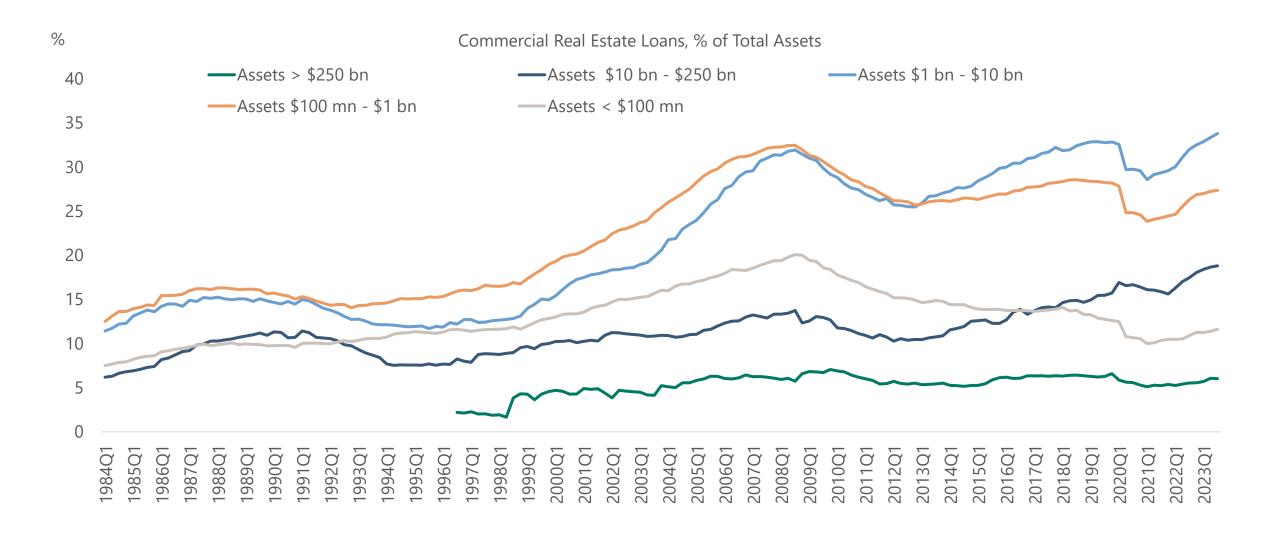


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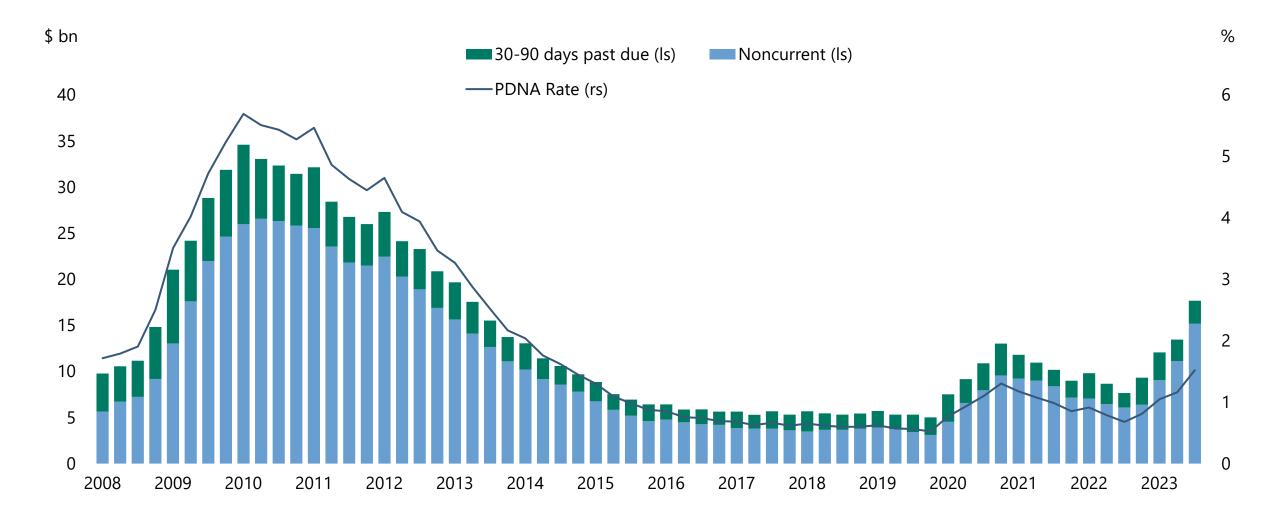
Small banks account for almost 70% of all commercial real estate loans outstanding



Banks with total assets between \$100mn and \$10bn are more exposed to CRE loans

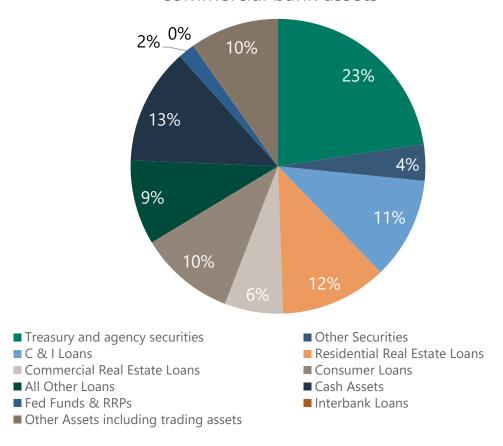


Non-owner-occupied CRE past-due and noncurrent loans

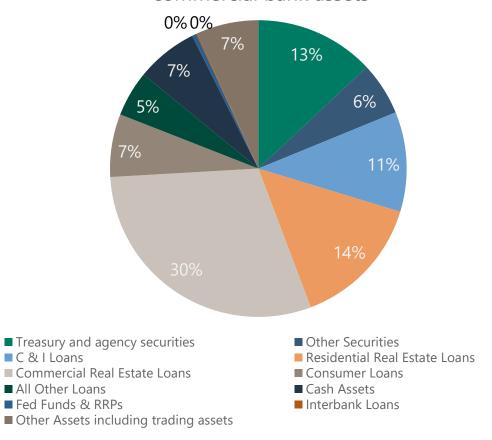


Important differences between regional banks and money center banks

Composition of large domestically chartered commercial bank assets

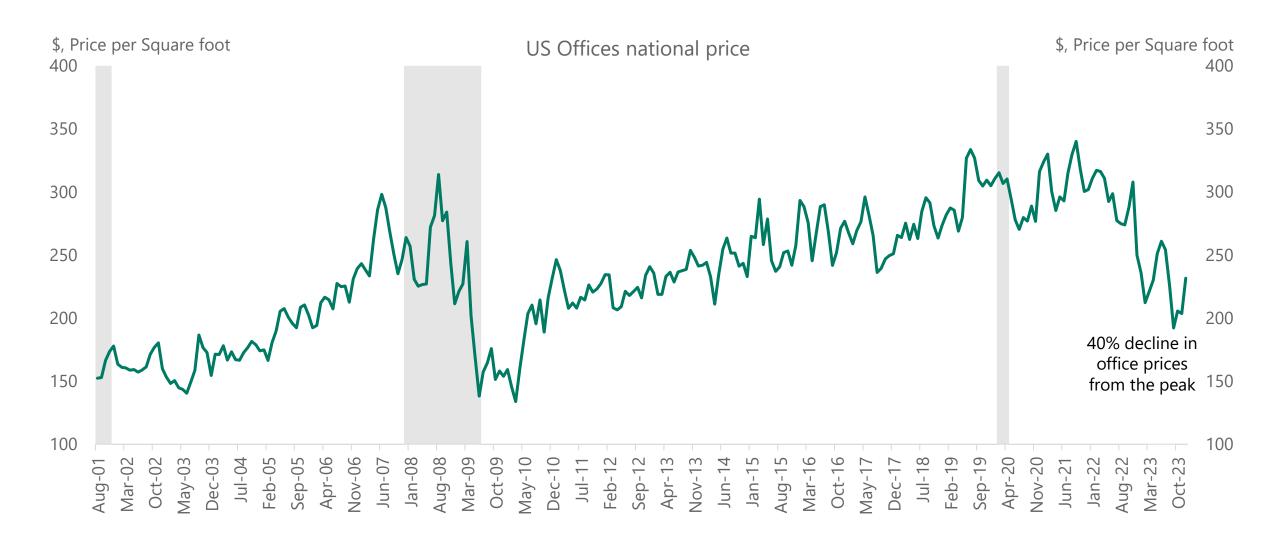


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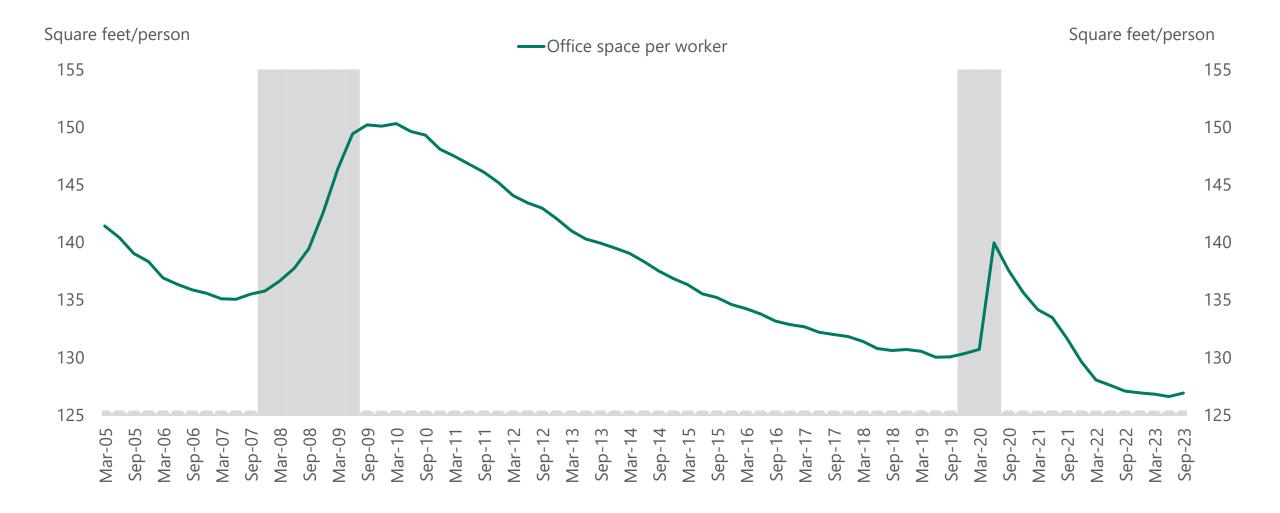


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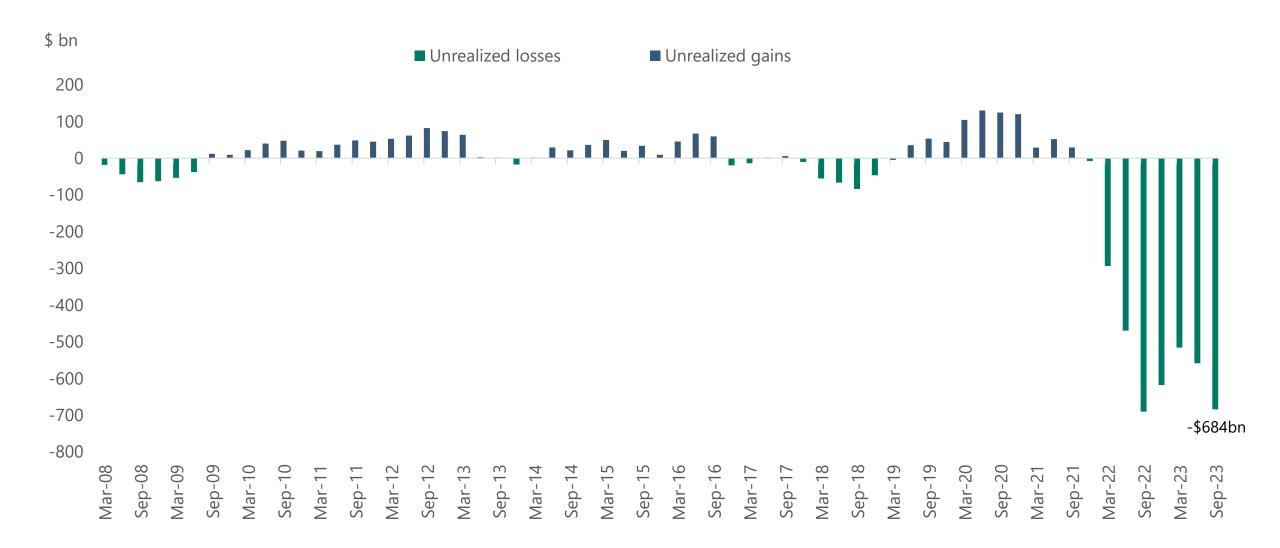
Price per square foot for US offices is down 40% from peak



The amount of office space per worker has been declining

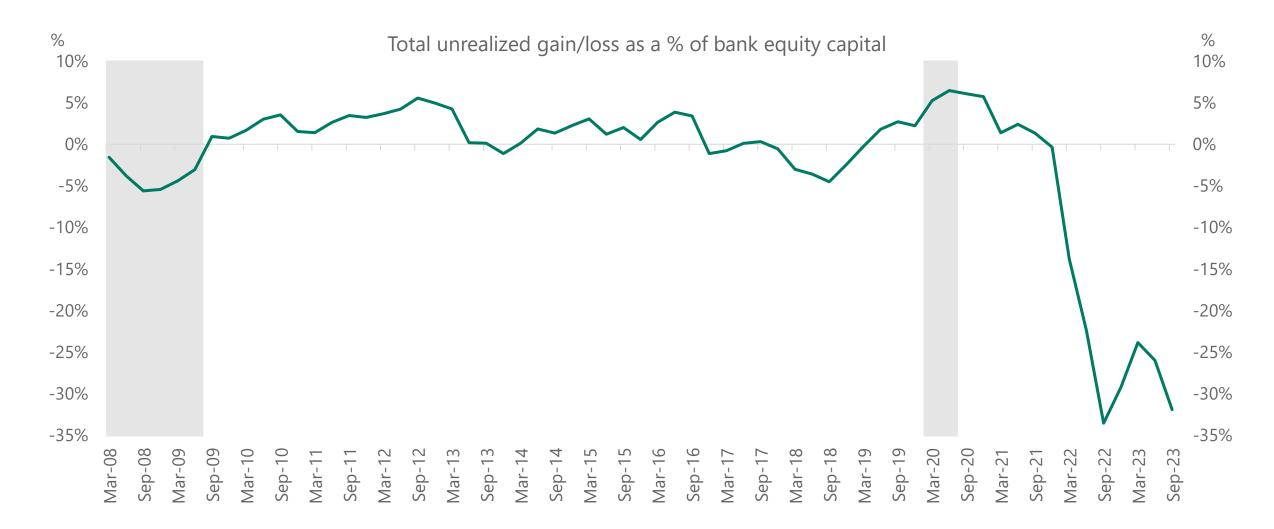


Unrealized losses on investment securities for banks



Source: FDIC, Apollo Chief Economist.

Unrealized losses making up more than 30% of bank equity capital

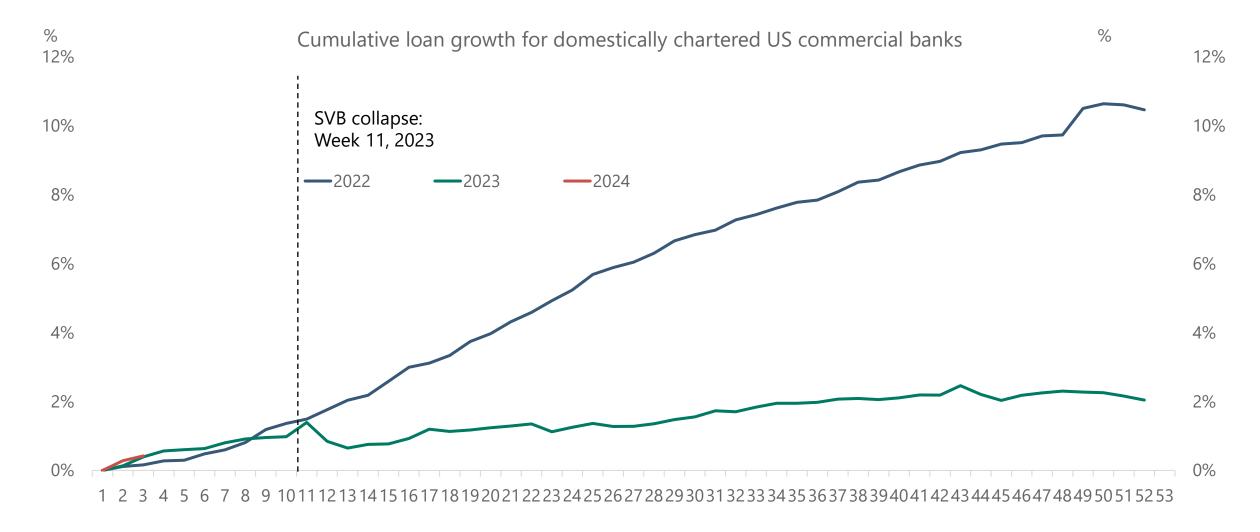


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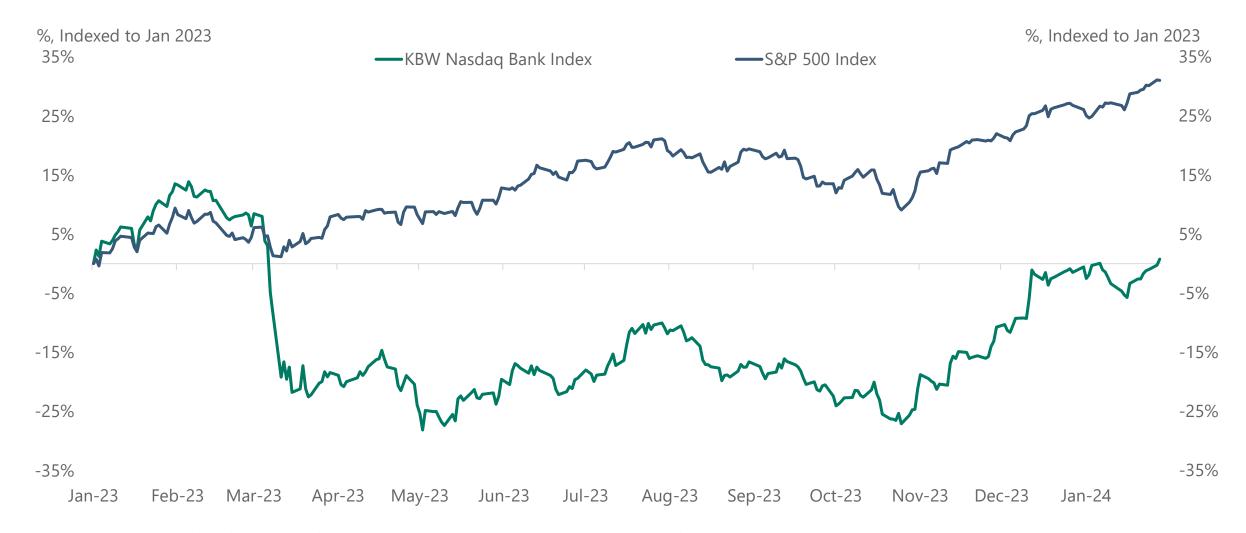
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What is the banking sector response to the SVB collapse and associated deposit outflows? Cutting lending and selling mortgages

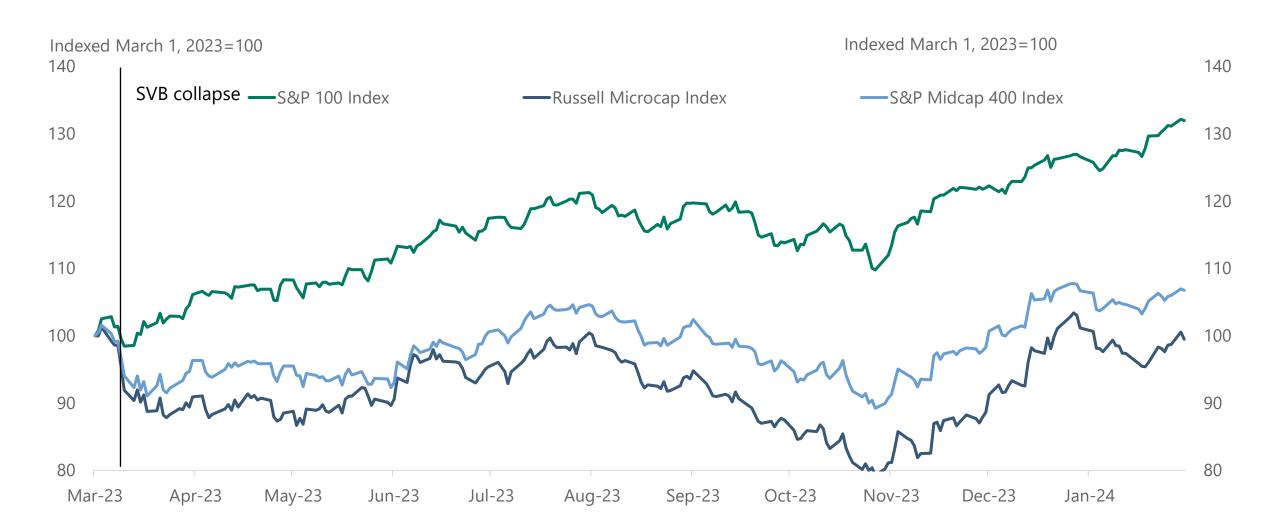
SVB having a permanent effect



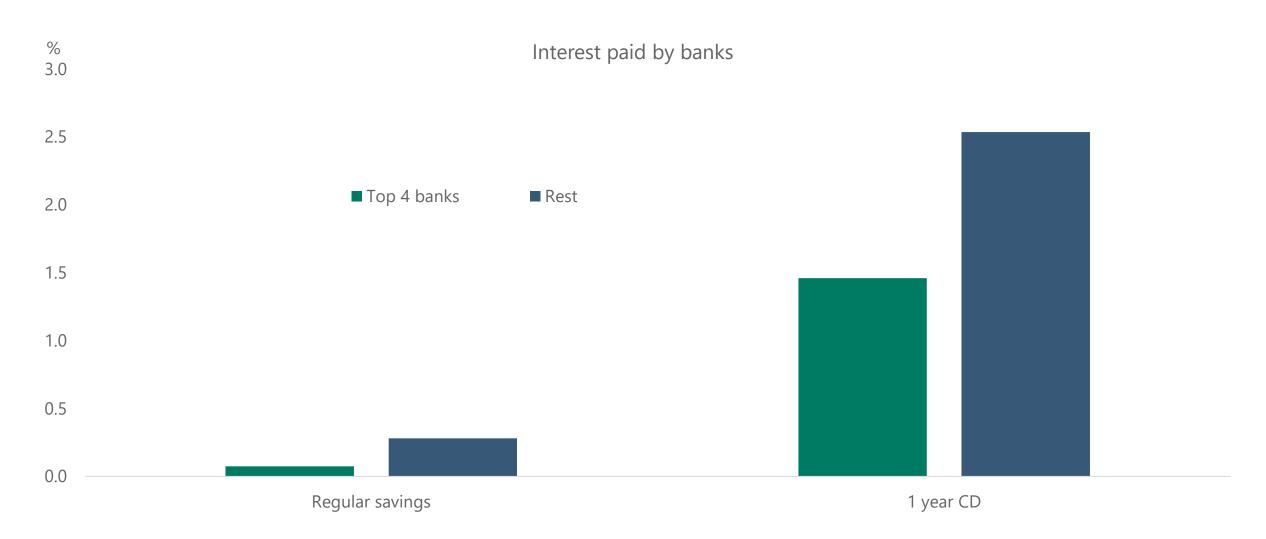
Bank stocks have underperformed the S&P500 since the SVB collapse



Banking crisis and Fed hikes having negative impact on small and medium-sized companies

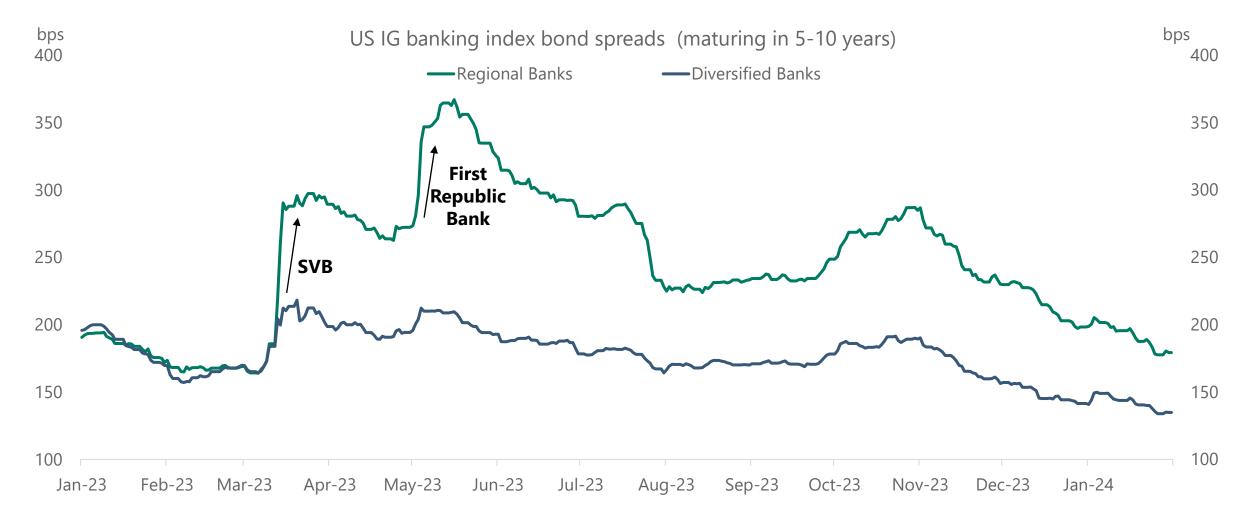


Top 4 banks pay lower interest rates to consumers

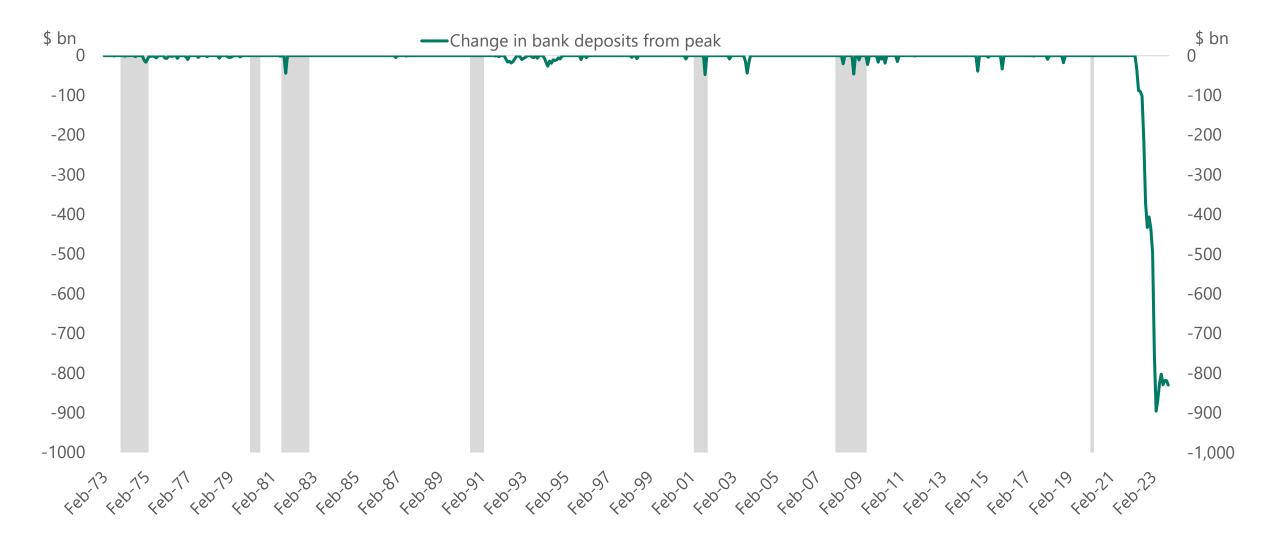


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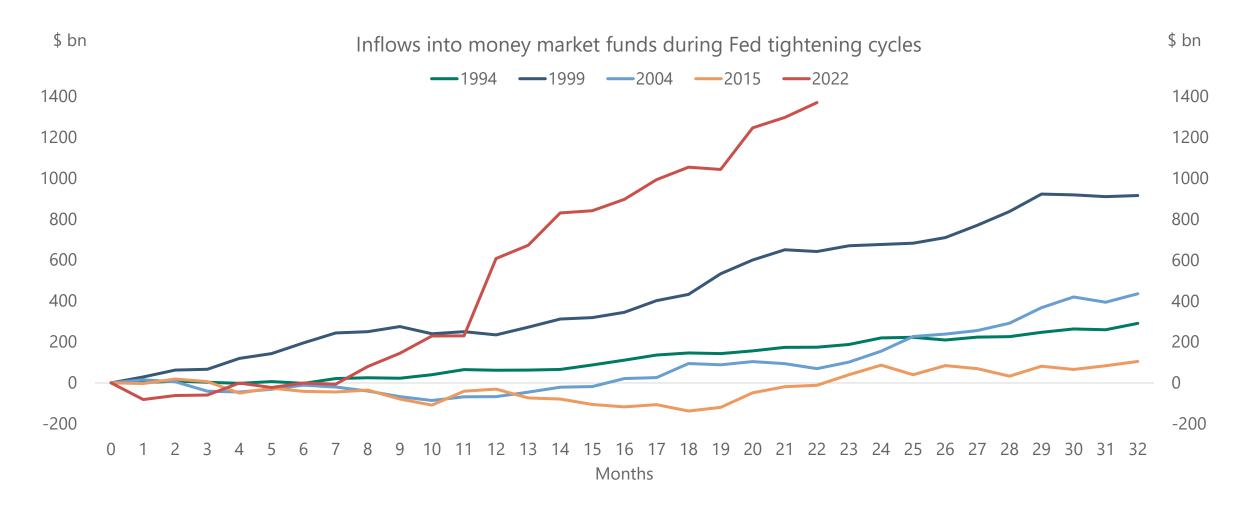
Funding costs for banks since SVB and FRB



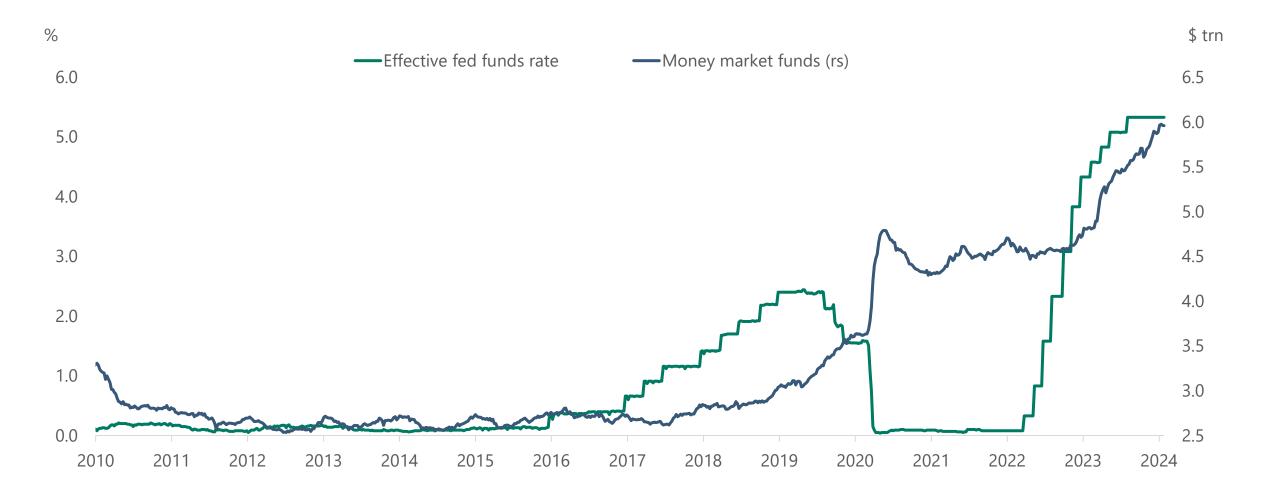
\$709bn in deposits have left the banks since the Fed began to raise interest rates



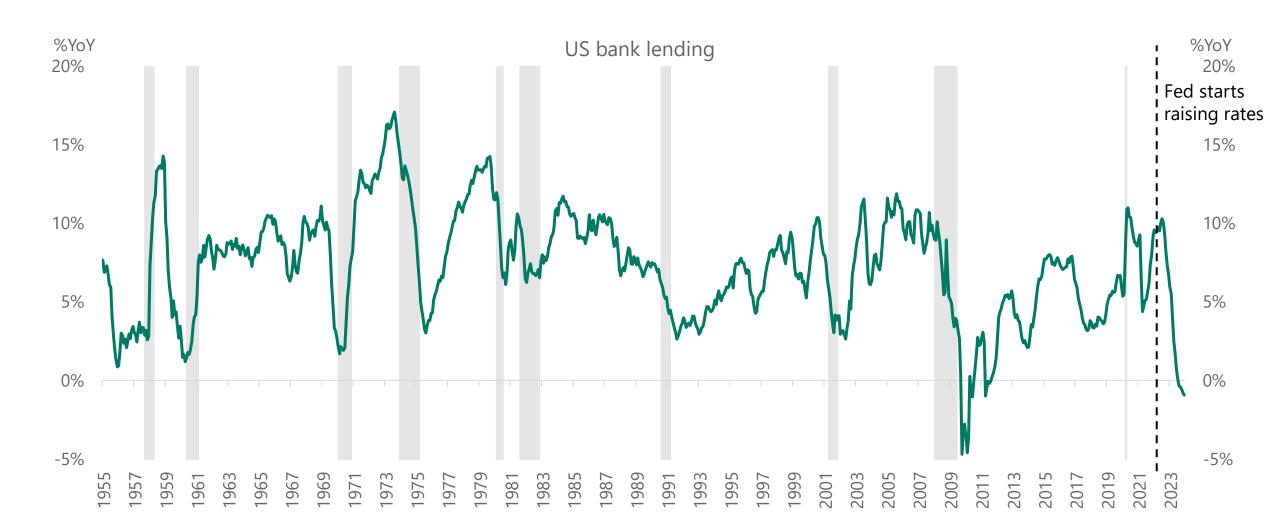
\$1,245bn inflows into money market funds during this Fed hiking cycle



Money market funds and the Fed funds rate

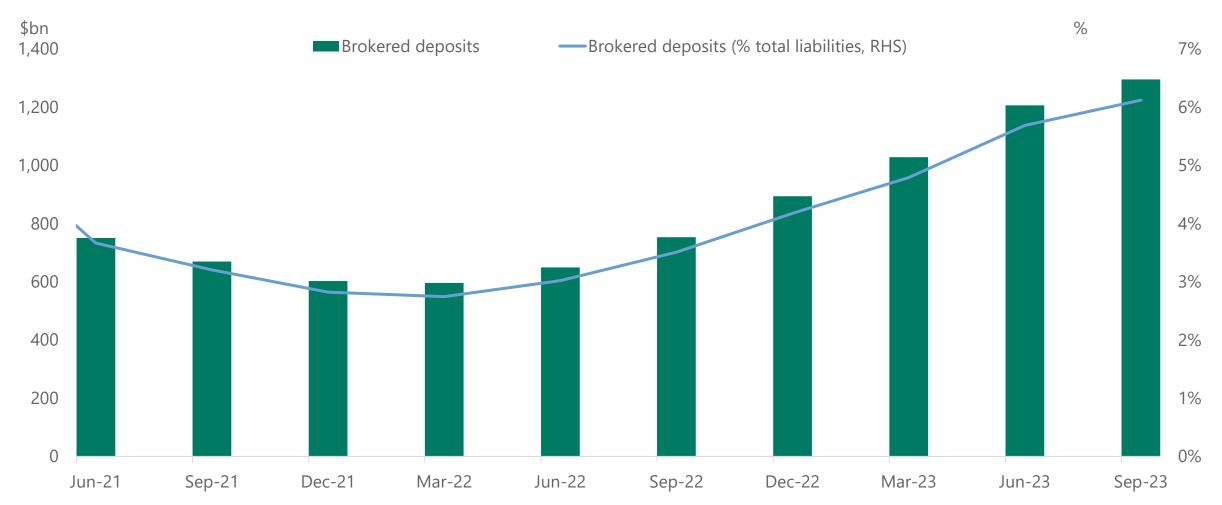


Rapid decline in bank lending



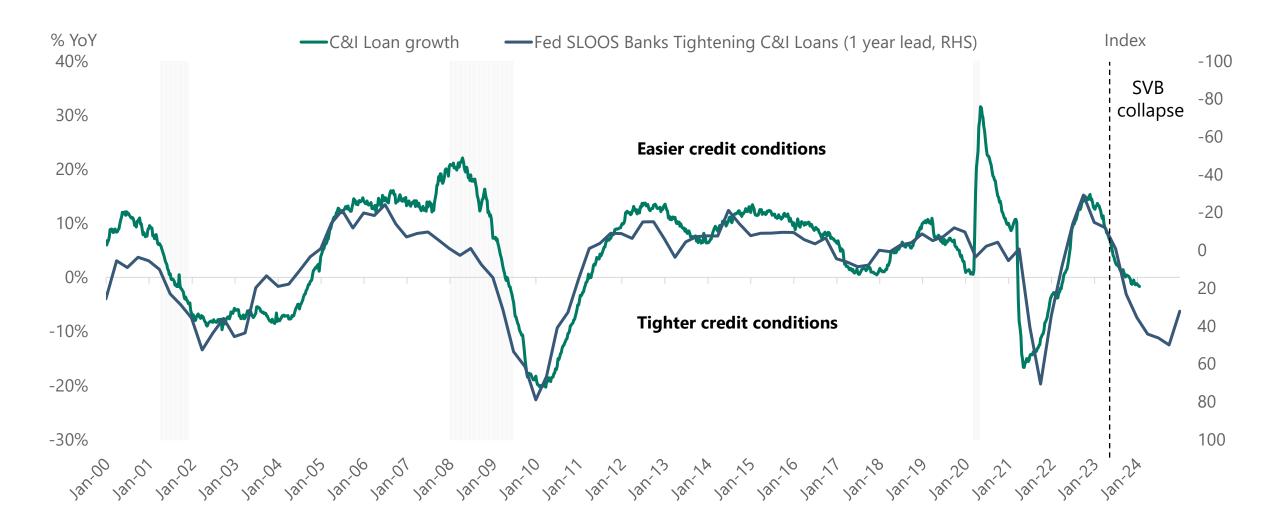
Source: FRB, Haver Analytics Apollo Chief Economist

Brokered deposits rising in US banks



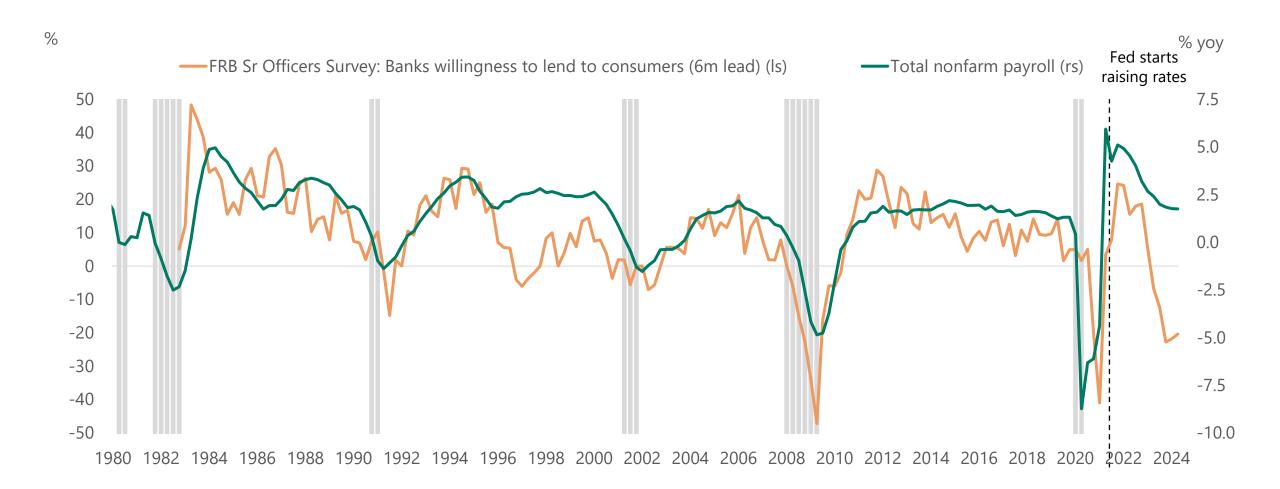
Source: S&P CapitaliQ Pro, Apollo Chief Economist. Note: Brokered deposits represent funds which the reporting bank obtains, directly or indirectly, by or through any deposit broker for deposit into one or more deposit accounts. Thus, brokered deposits include both those in which the entire beneficial interest in a given bank deposit account or instrument is held by a single depositor and those in which the deposit broker sells participations in a given bank deposit account or instrument to one or more investors.

Bank lending may shrink over the coming quarters



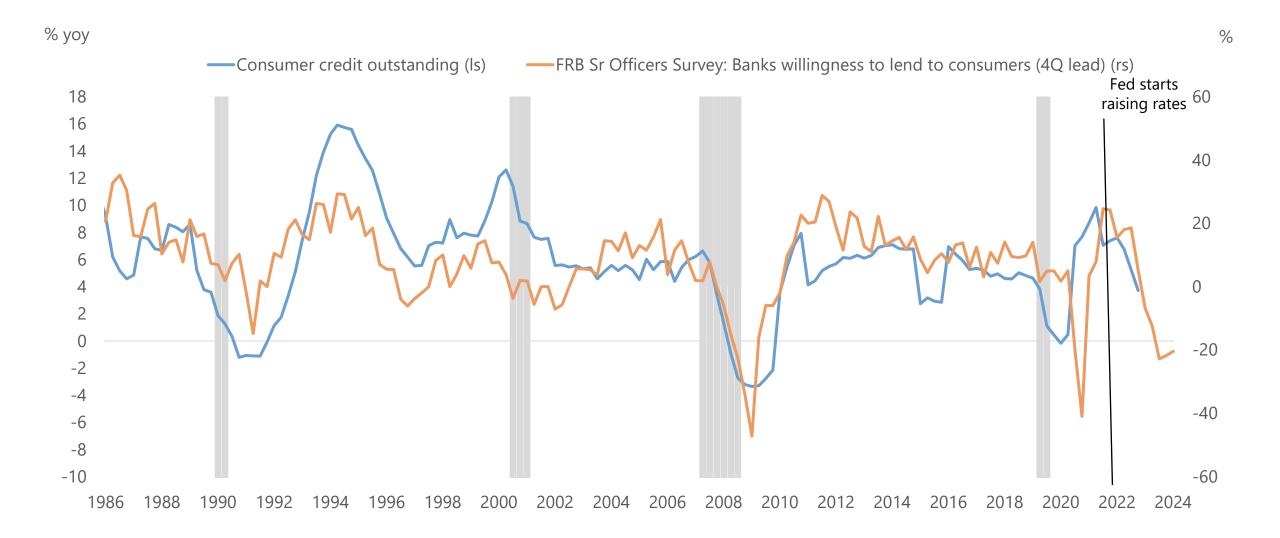
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Downside risks to nonfarm payrolls as a result of tighter credit conditions



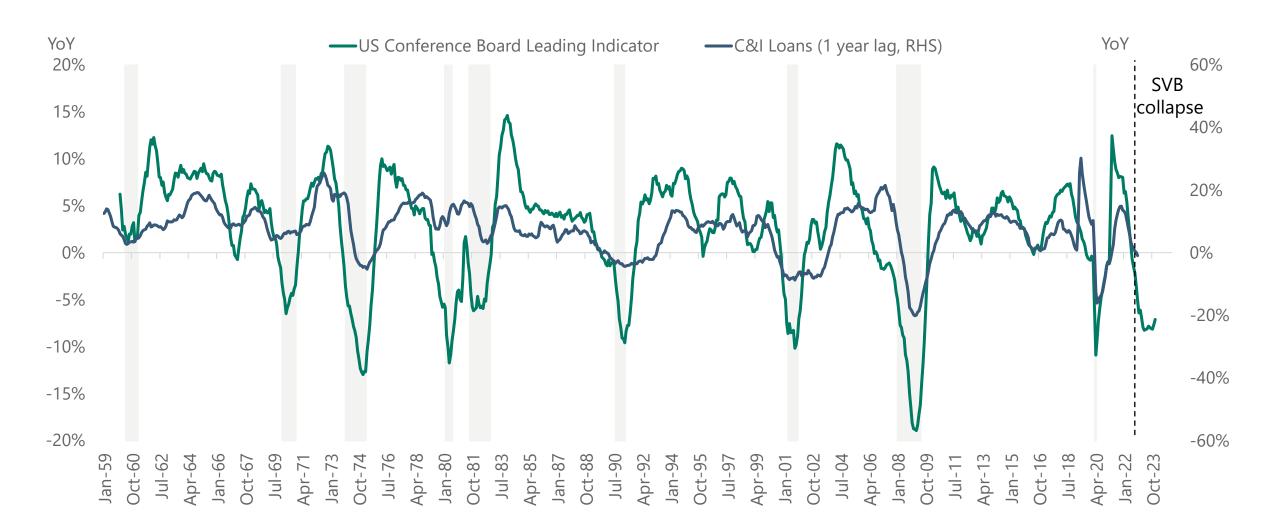
Source: FRB, BLS, Haver Analytics, Apollo Chief Economist

Credit tightening points to a slowdown in consumer credit

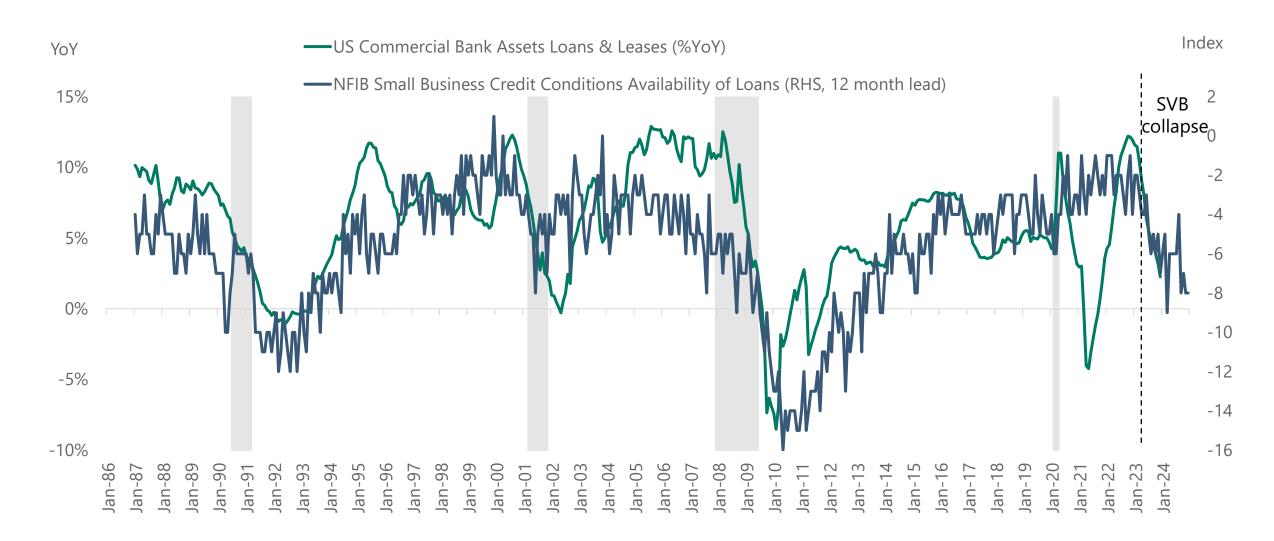


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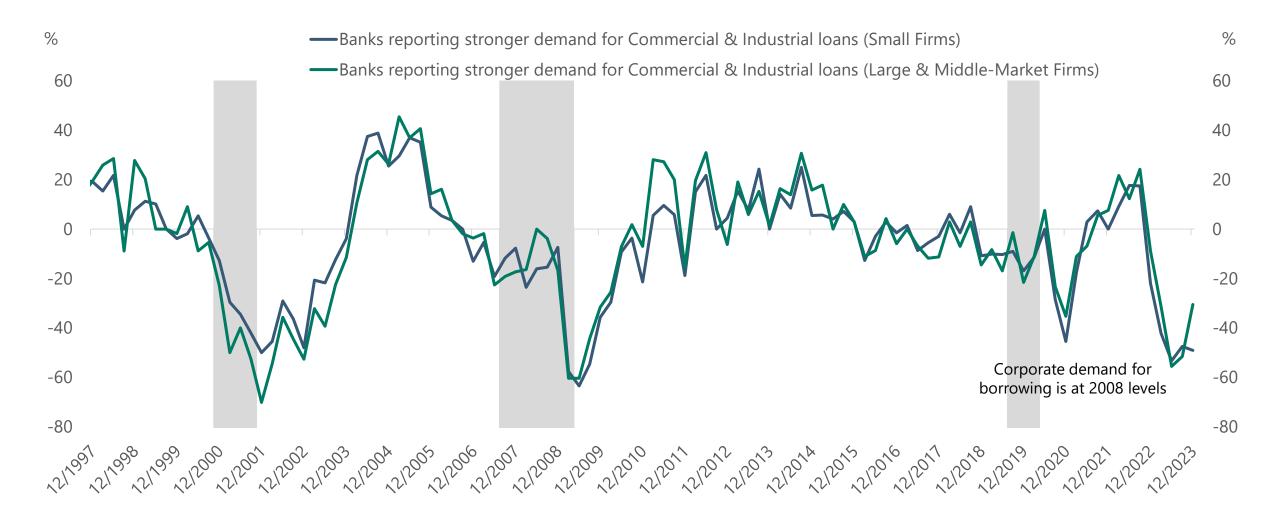
Tighter credit conditions dragging down the economy



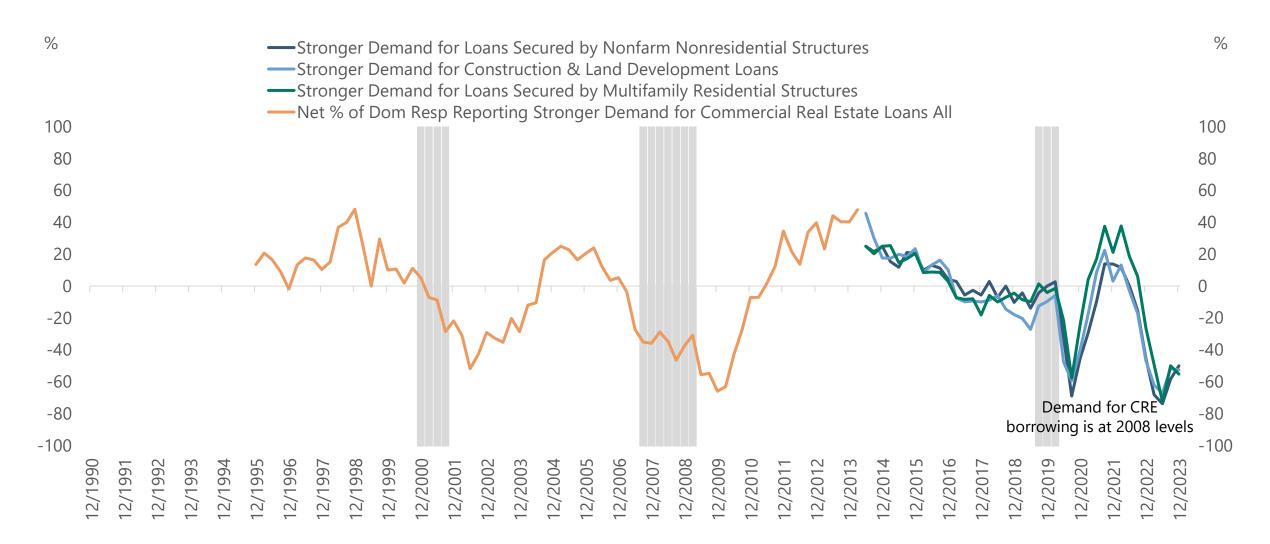
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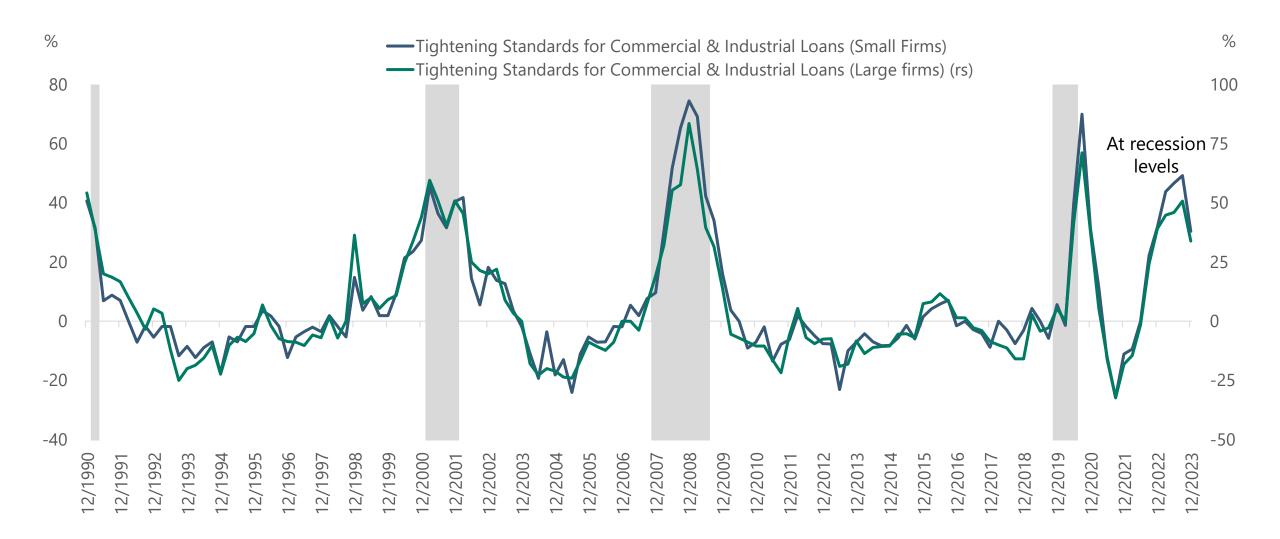
Demand for corporate loans is at 2008 levels but starting to improve



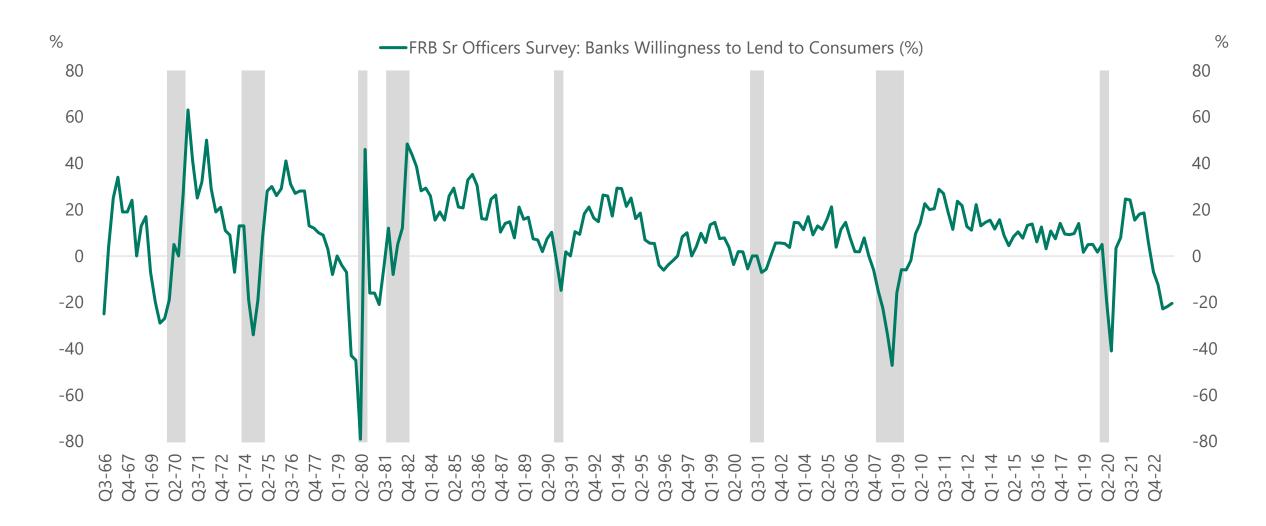
Demand for commercial real estate loans is at 2008 levels



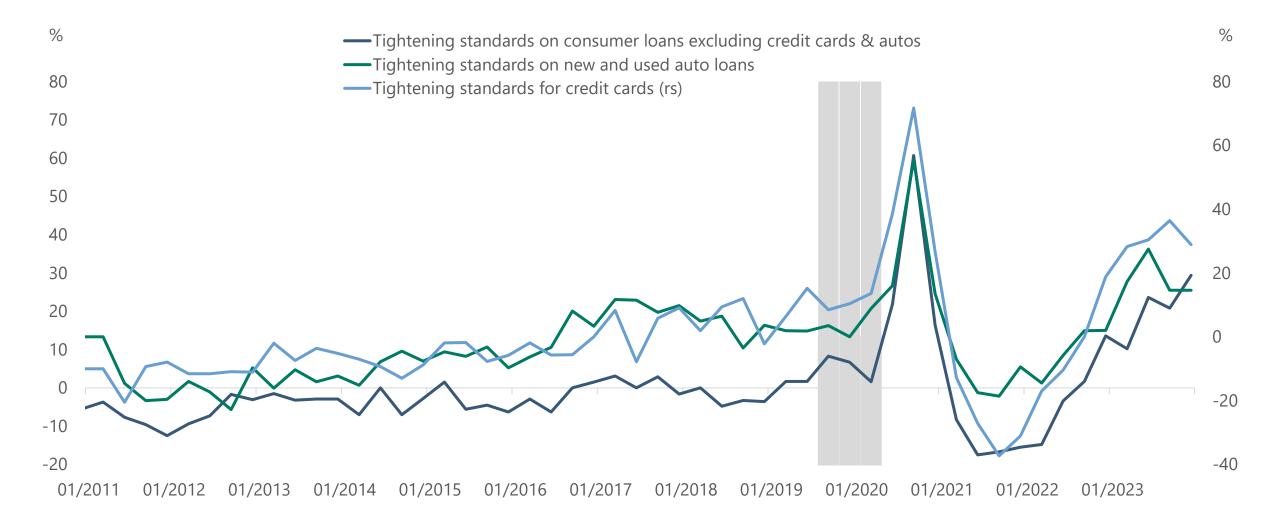
Banks are tightening lending standards significantly, near 2008 levels



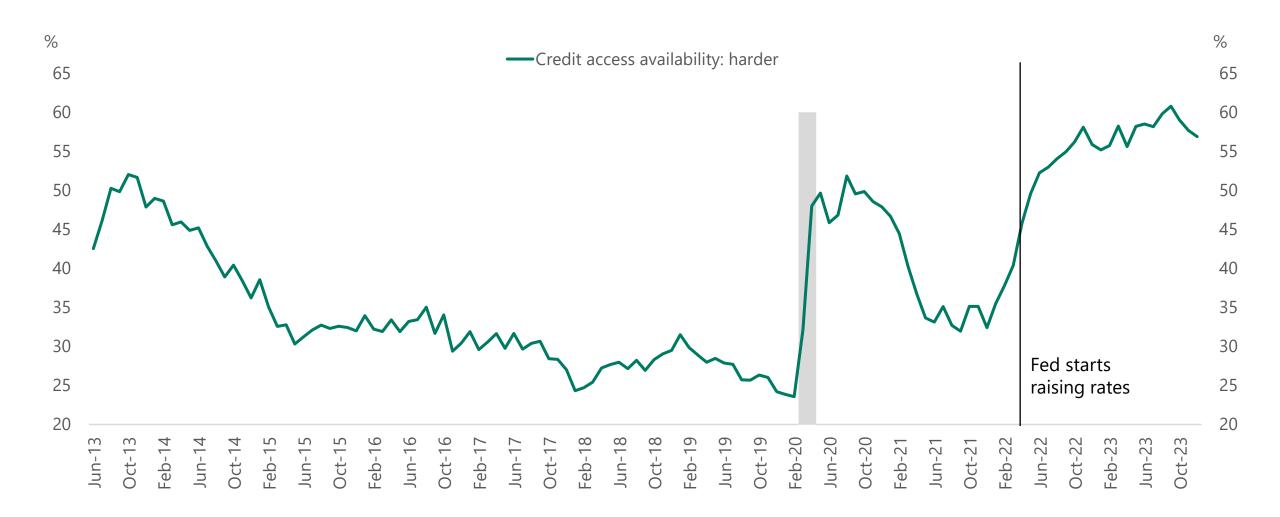
Banks' willingness to lend to consumers approaching 2008 levels



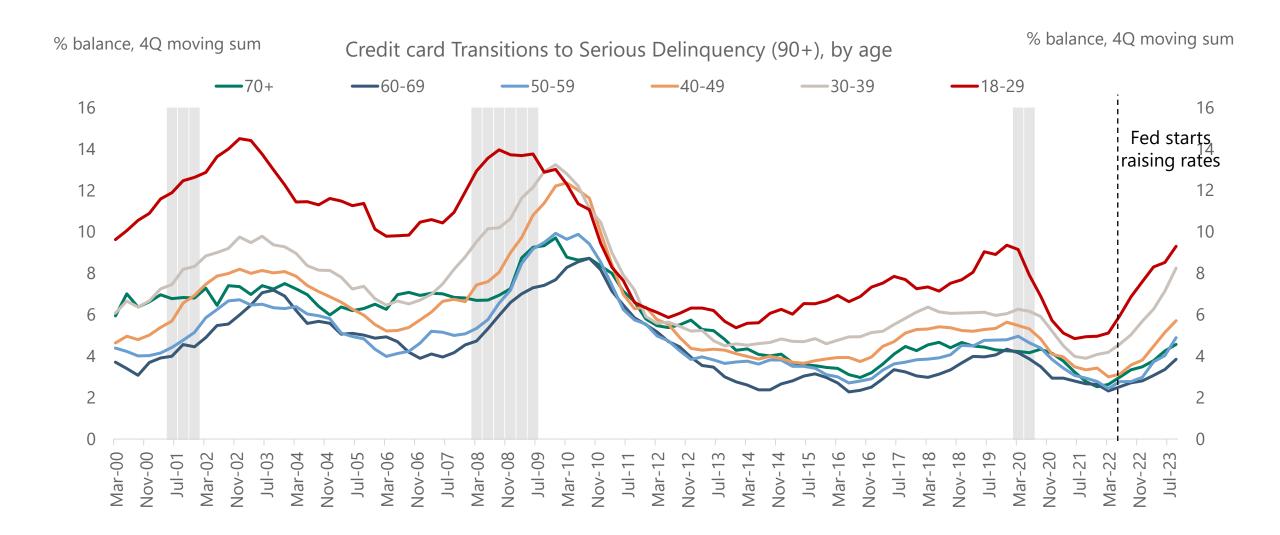
Lending standards are tightening for consumers, approaching 2008 levels



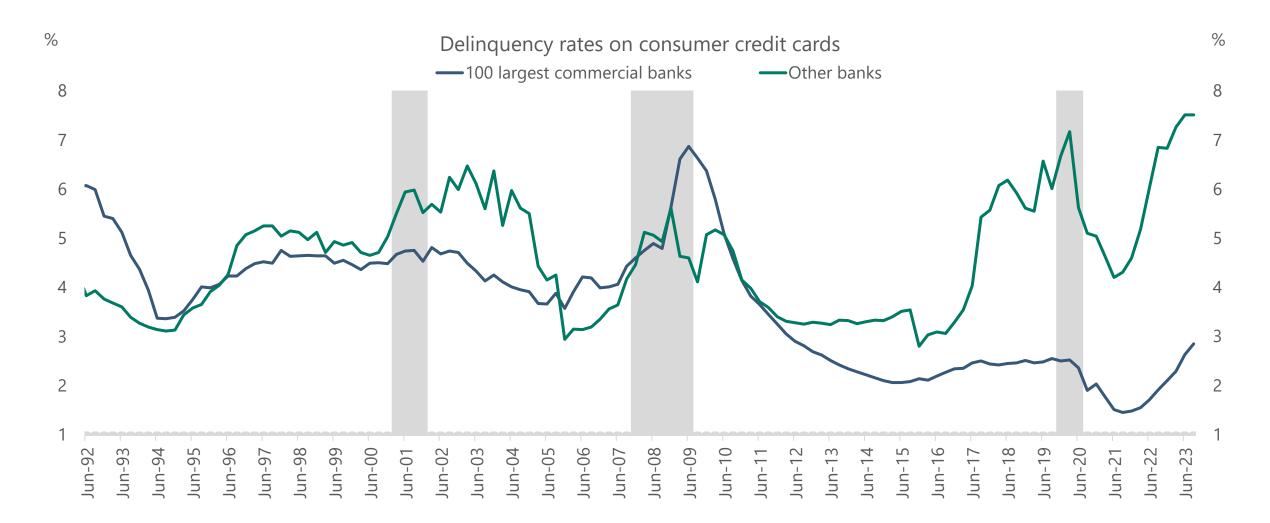
The share of households reporting it is harder to obtain credit than one year ago



Credit card delinquency rates rising

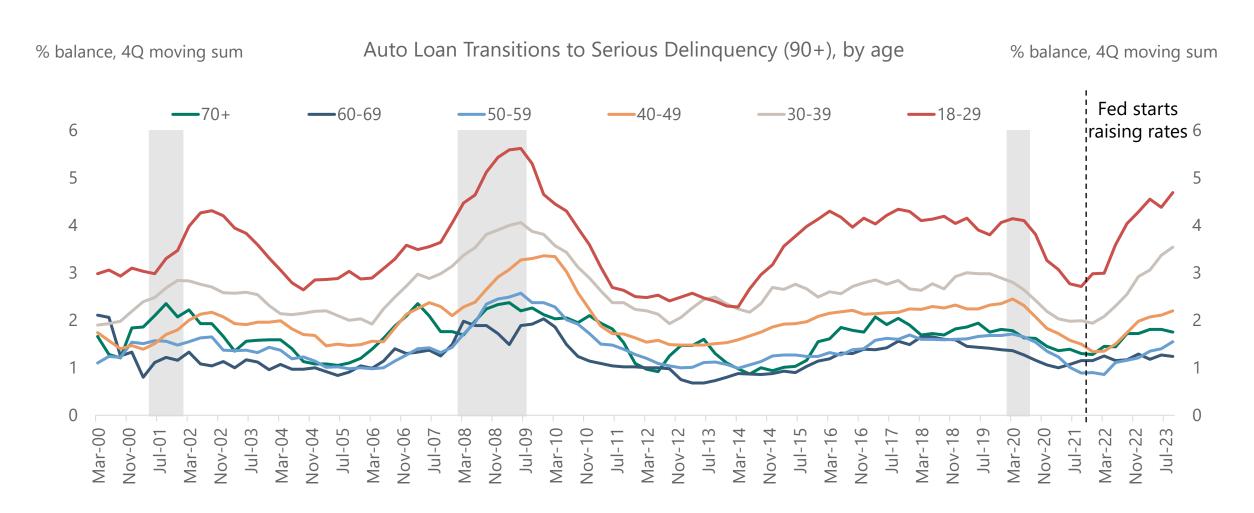


Credit card delinquency rates at small banks are higher than at large banks

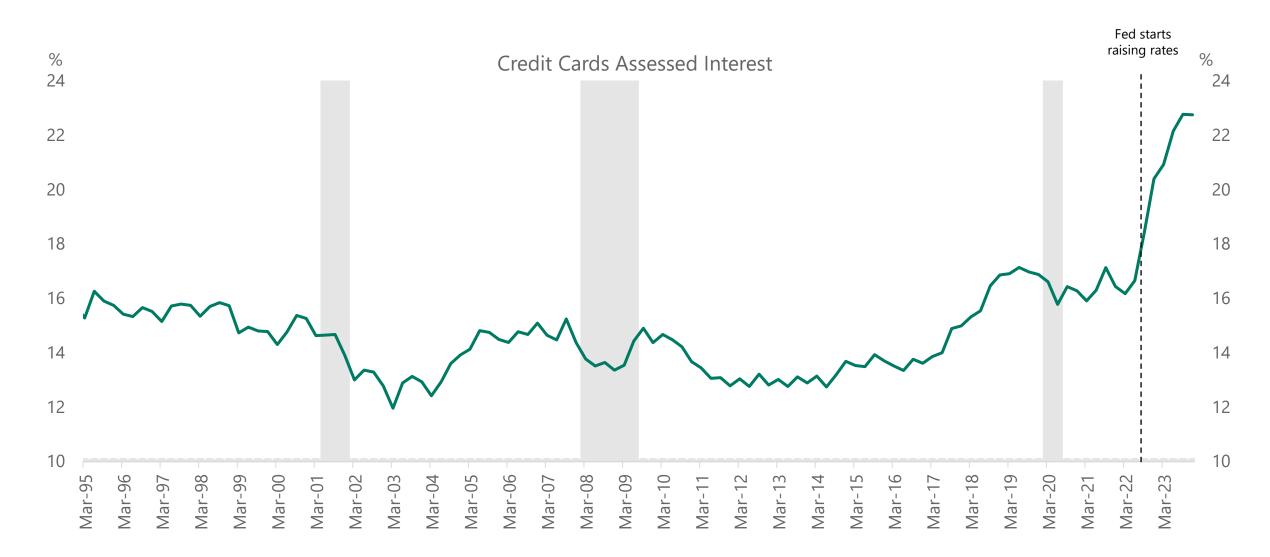


Source: FRB, Bloomberg, Apollo Chief Economist 39

Auto loan transitions to serious delinquency at 2008 levels

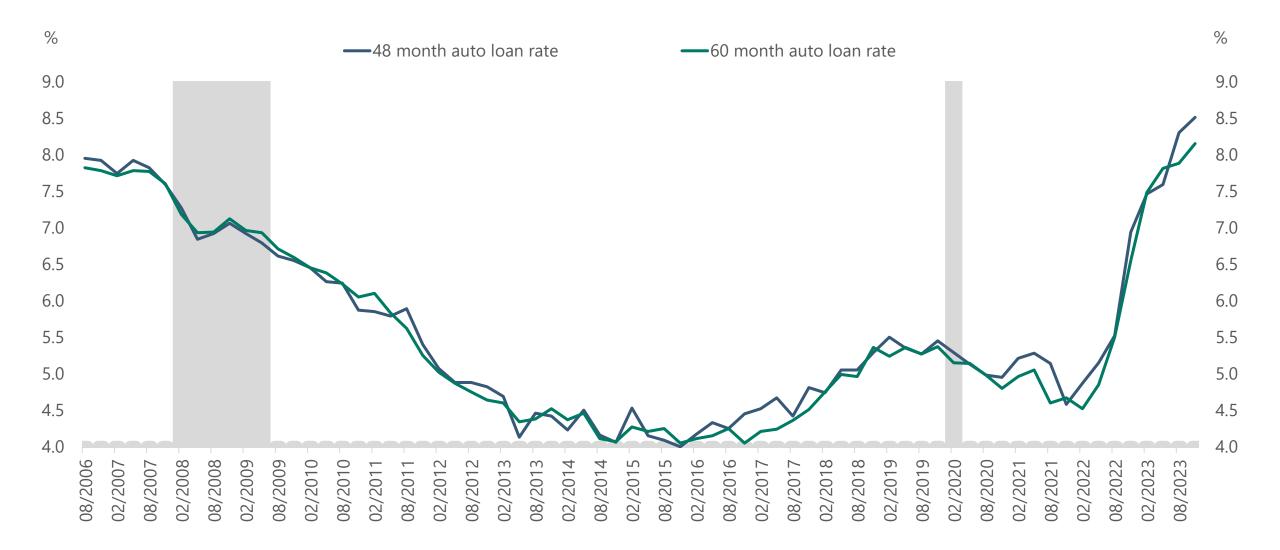


Interest rate on credit cards



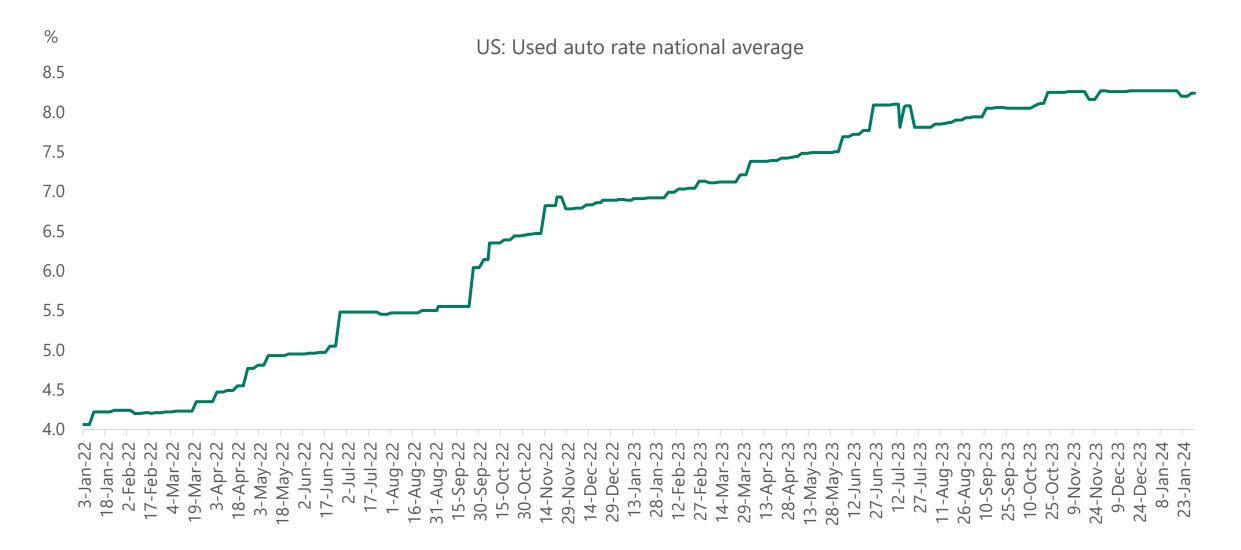
Source: FRB, Haver Analytics, Apollo Chief Economist

Commercial bank auto loan rates highest since 2008



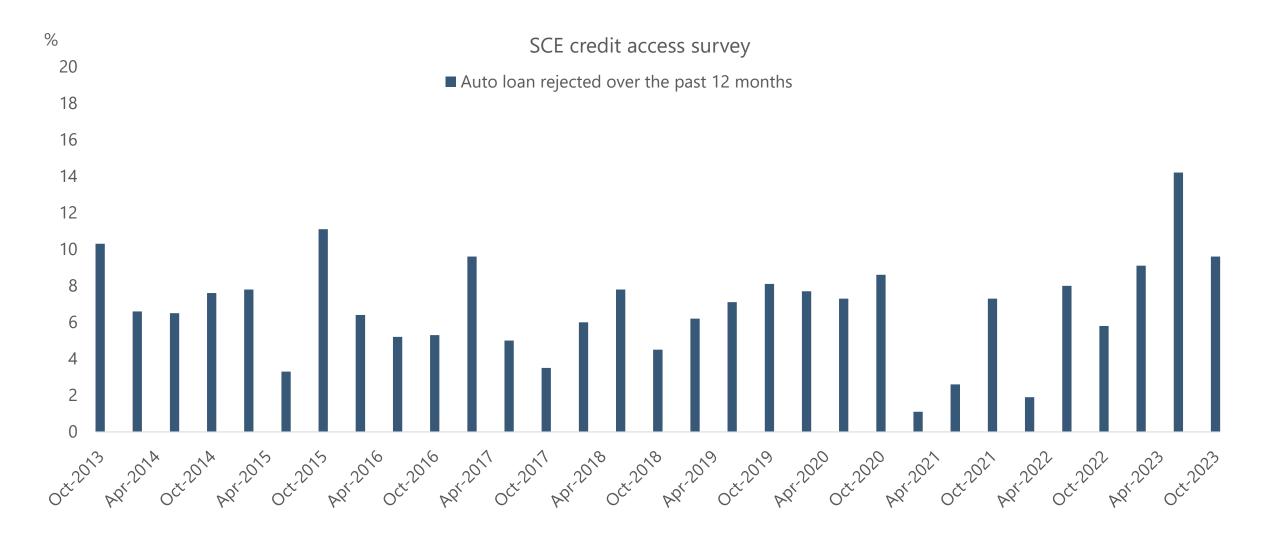
Source: FRB, Bloomberg, Apollo Chief Economist 42

Interest rate on auto loans



Source: Bankrate.com, Apollo Chief Economist

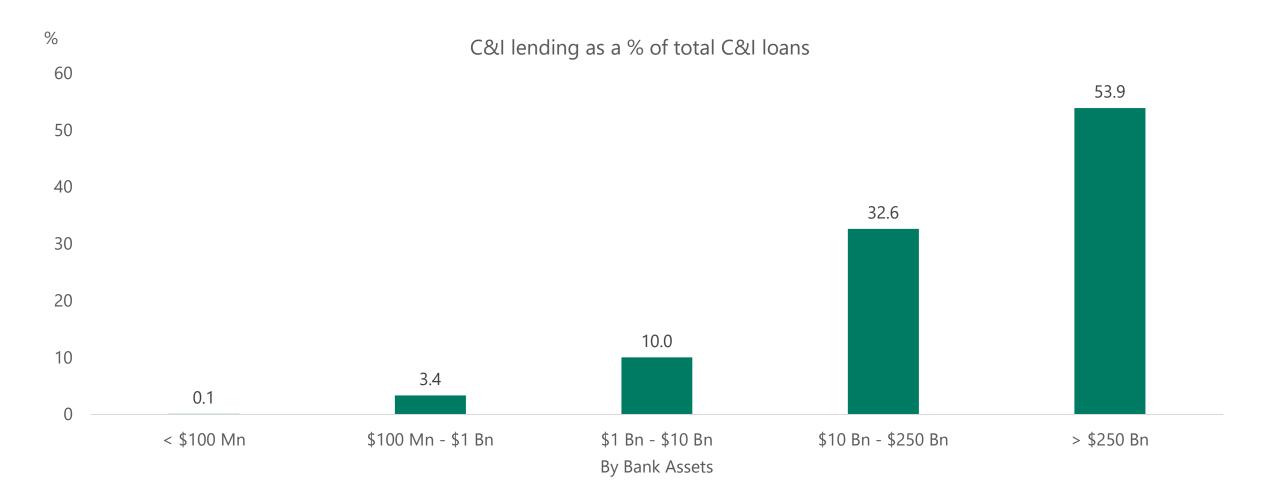
Auto loan rejection rate over the past 12 months



Source: FRBNY, Haver Analytics, Apollo Chief Economist 4

Small banks lend to small businesses

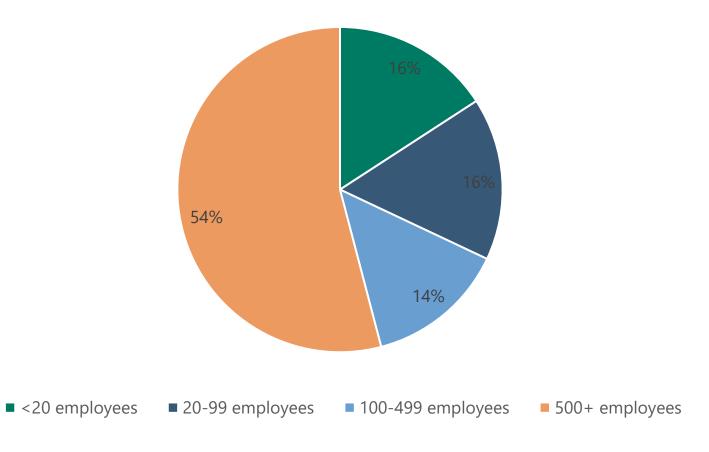
Banks with less than \$250bn in assets account for 46% of commercial and industrial lending



Source: FDIC, Apollo Chief Economist. Data as of Q3 2023 45

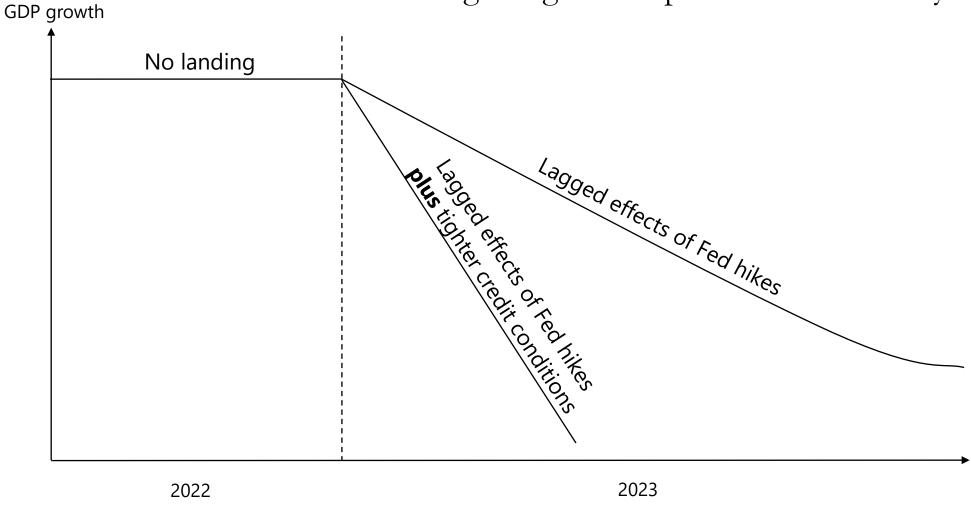
Half of US employment is in firms with fewer than 500 employees

Share of total employment by employment size of the firm, 2020

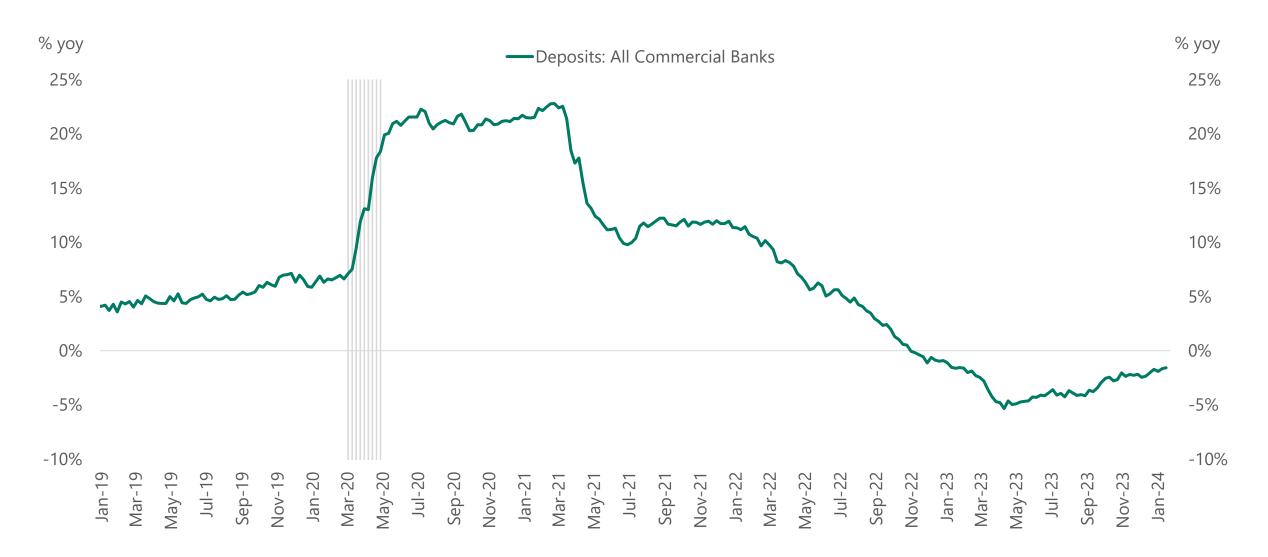


Source: Census, Apollo Chief Economist 46

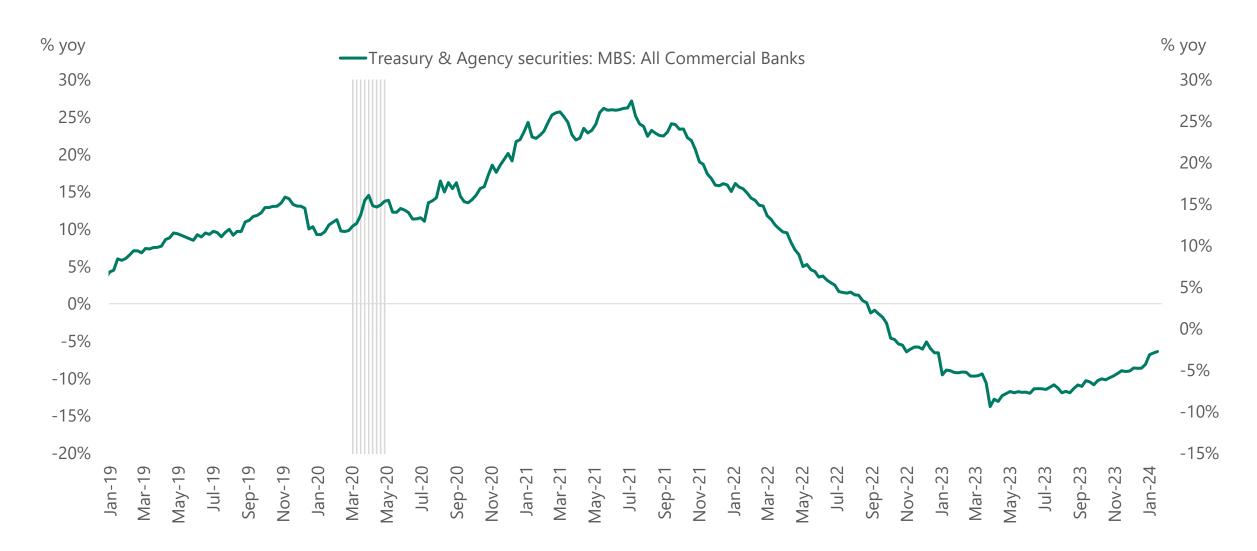
Lagged effects of Fed hikes combined with tighter credit conditions having a negative impact on the economy



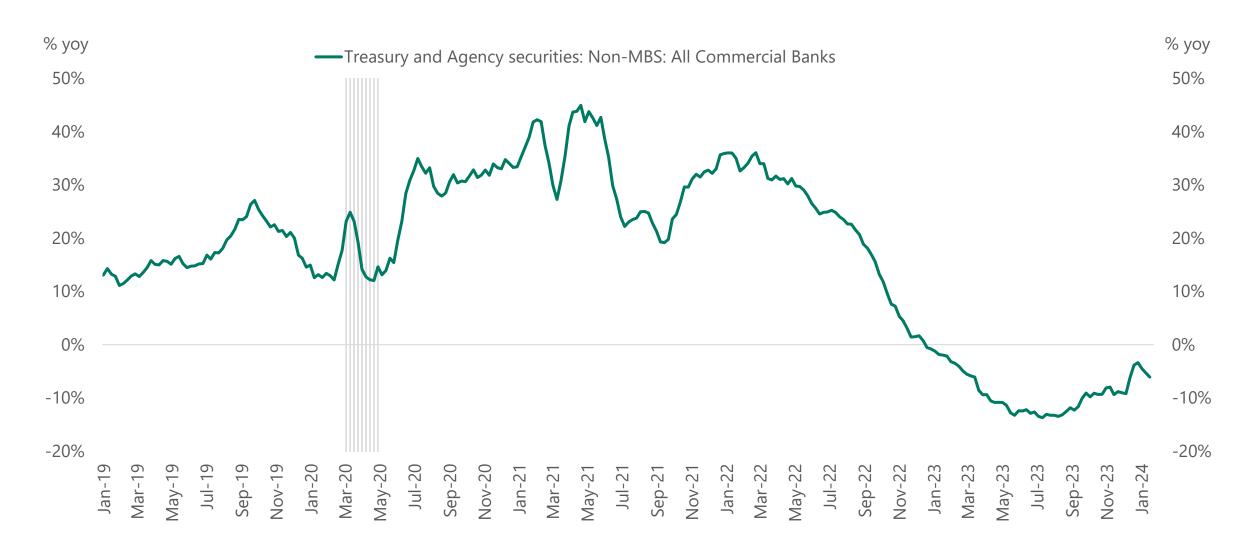
Negative growth in deposits



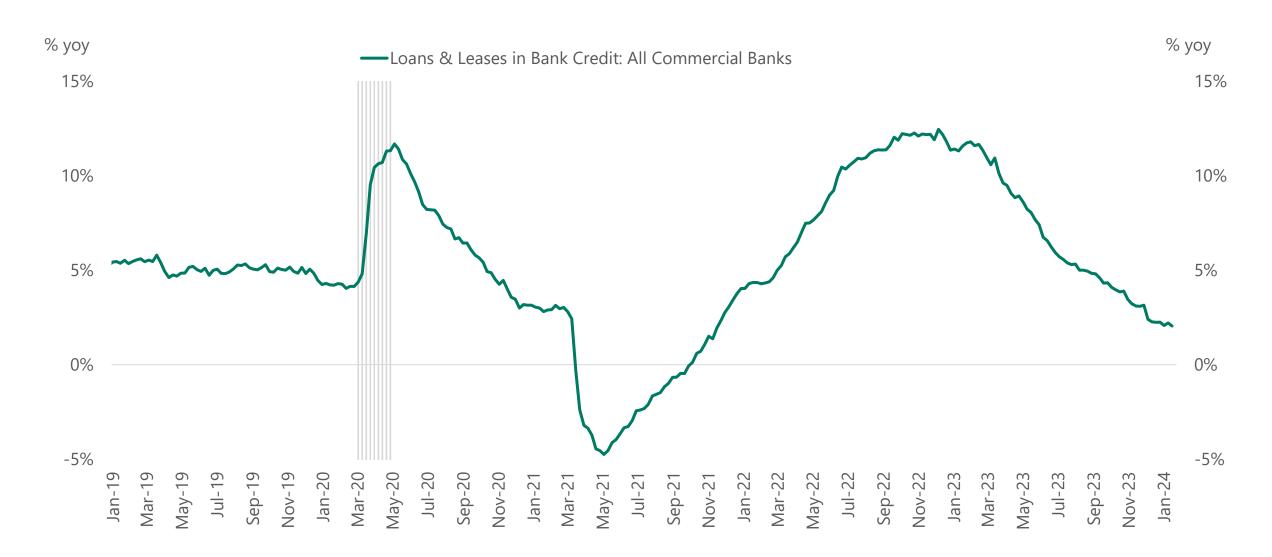
Negative growth in bank holdings of mortgages



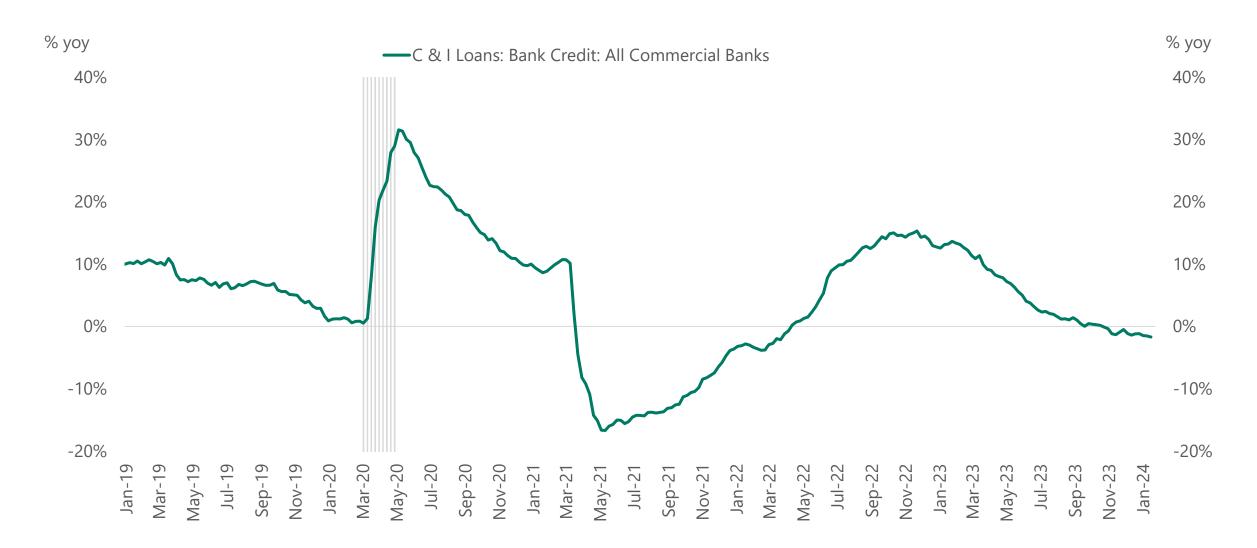
Growth in bank holdings of Treasuries



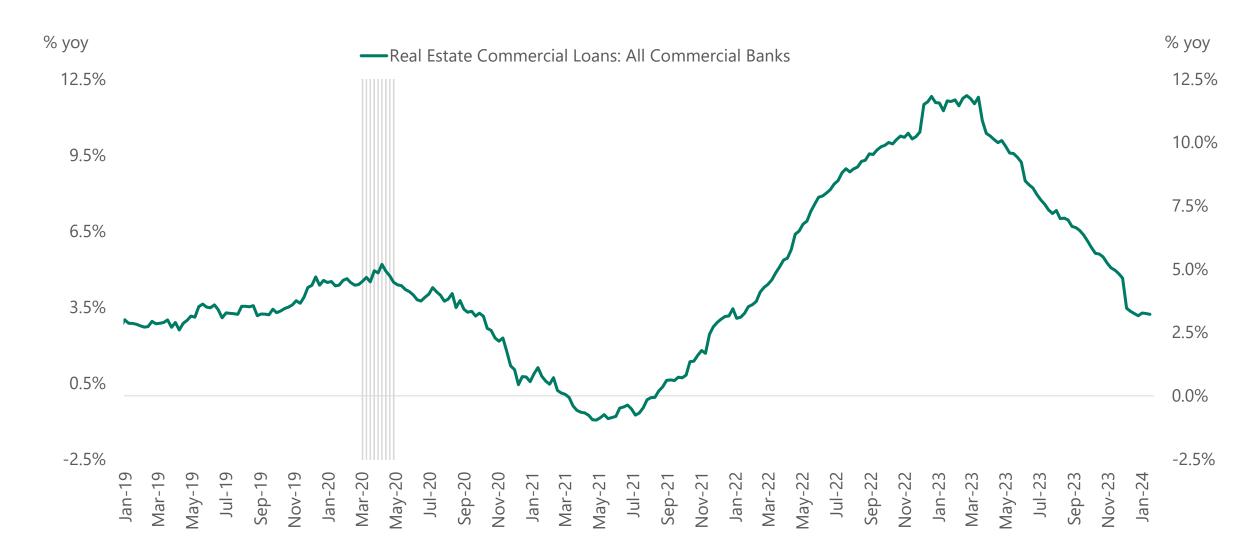
Bank loan growth declining



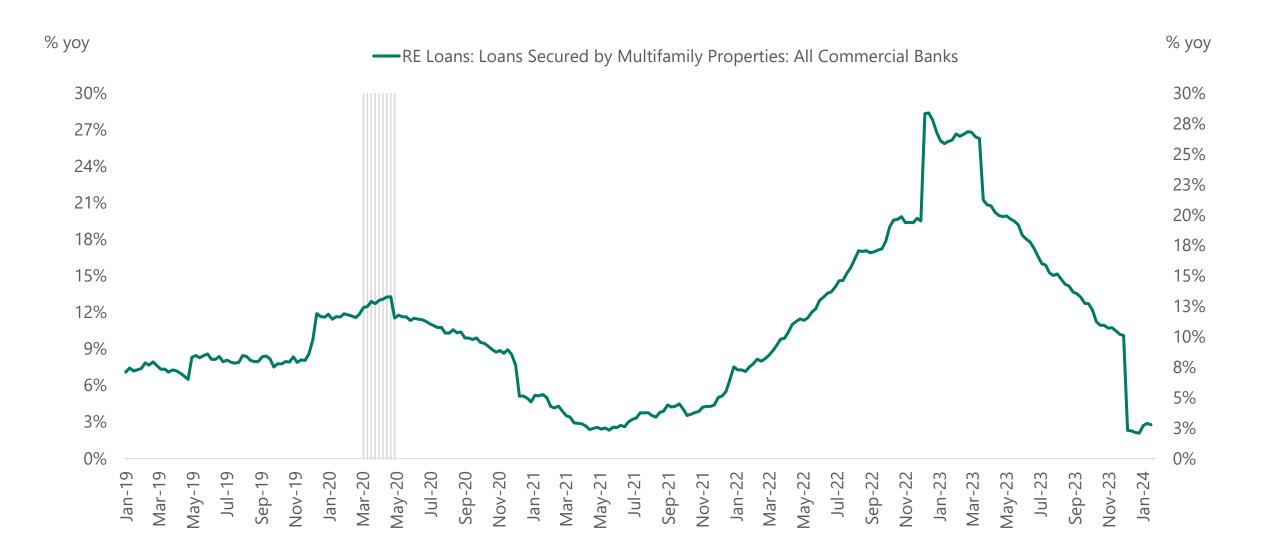
Negative growth in lending to corporates



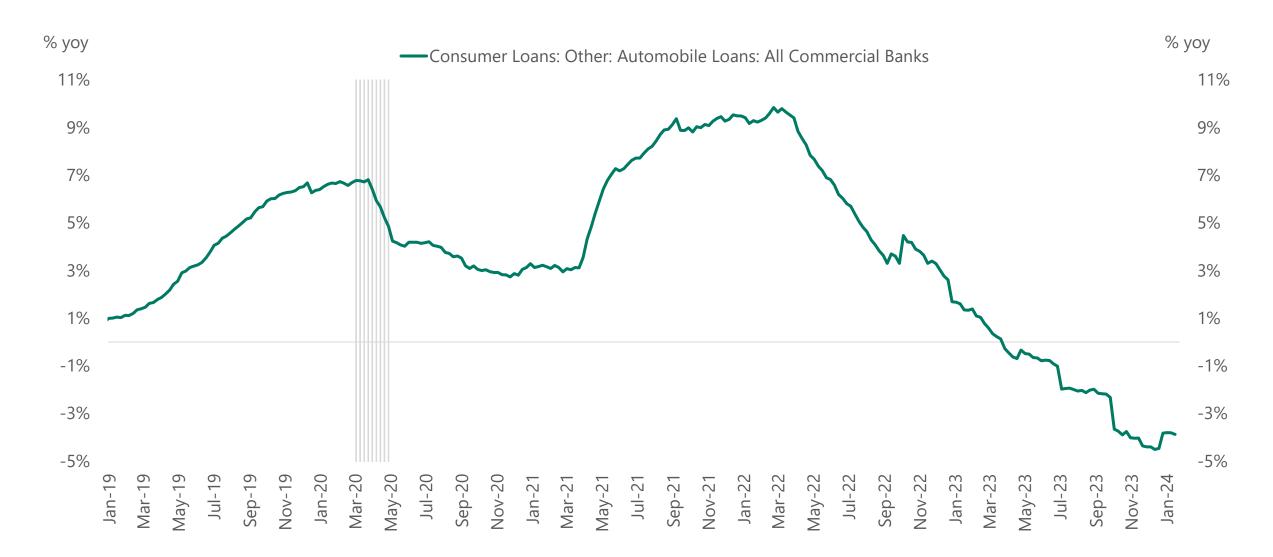
Decline in growth in real estate lending



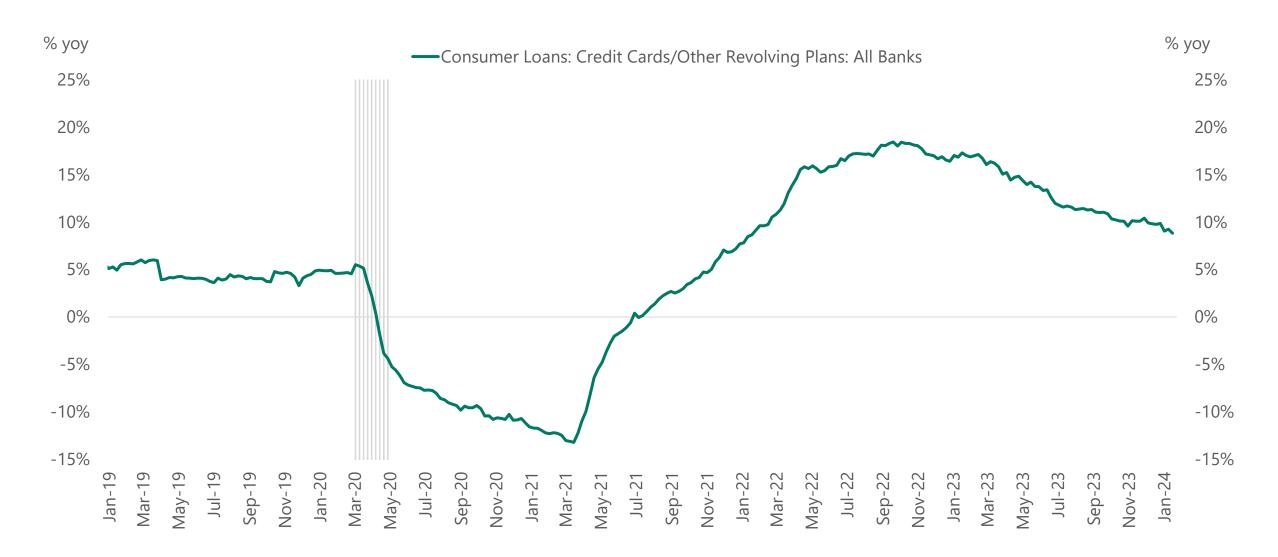
Decline in growth in lending to multifamily construction



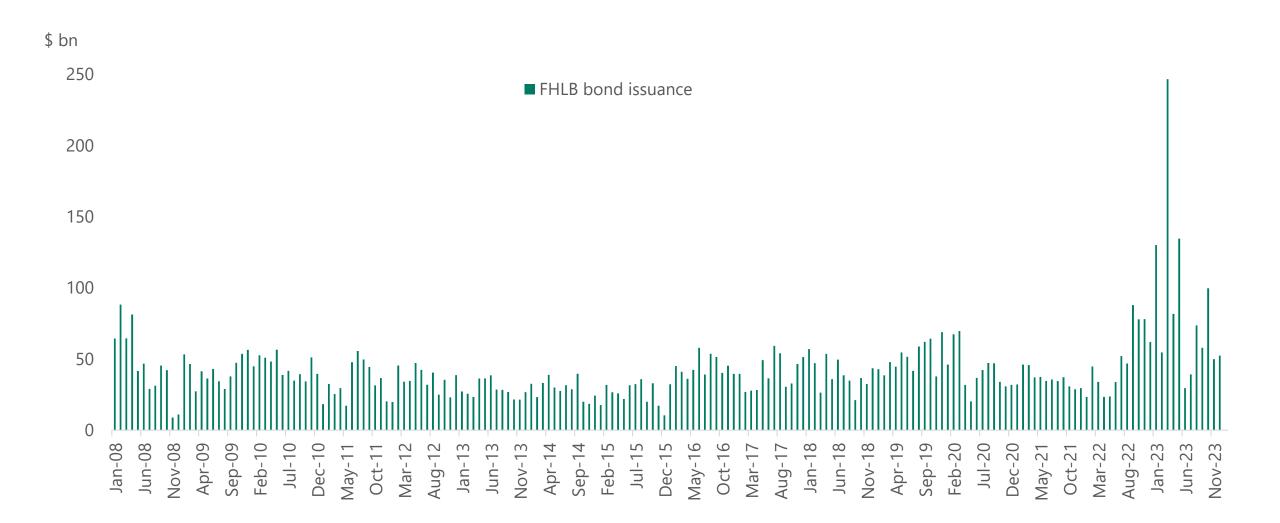
Negative growth in auto loan lending



Decline in growth in banks' credit card lending



FHLB bond issuance



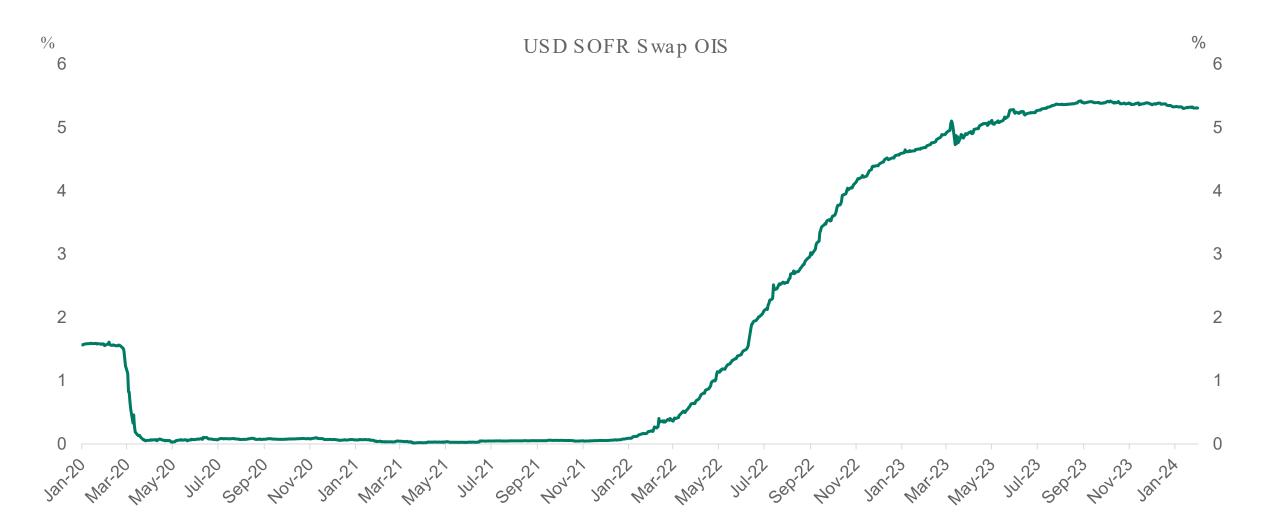
Source: FHLB, Haver, Apollo Chief Economist.

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Bank funding pressures:

Deposits and market-based measures

SOFR OIS Swap



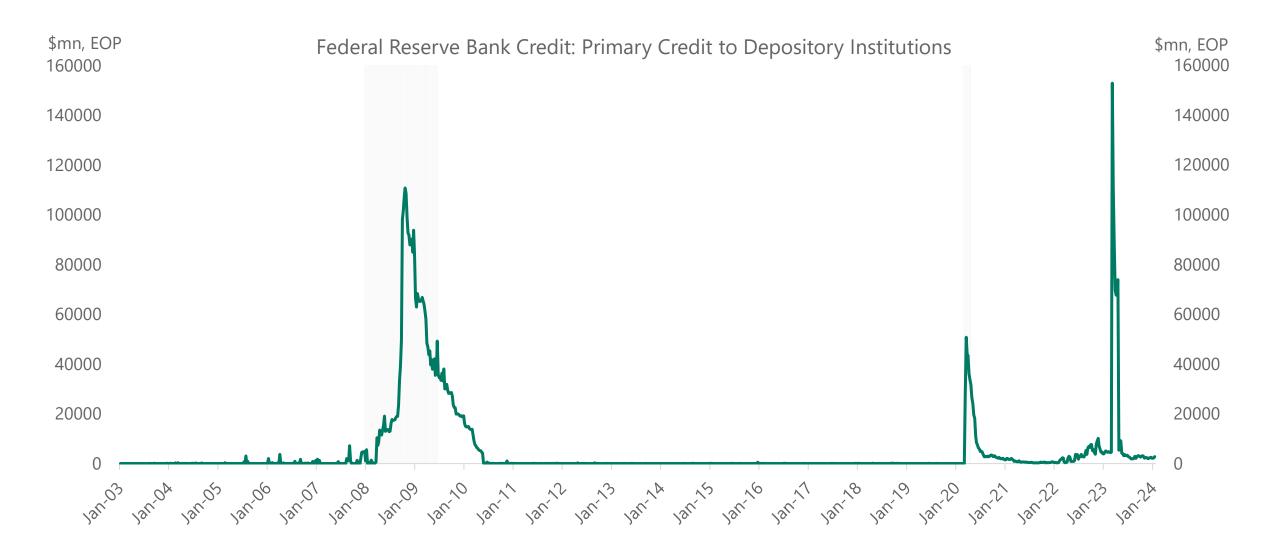
Source: Bloomberg. Note: Ticker used USFOSC1 BGN Currency. As of Nov 28, 2023.

SOFR spreads currently pricing aggressive Fed cuts in 2024

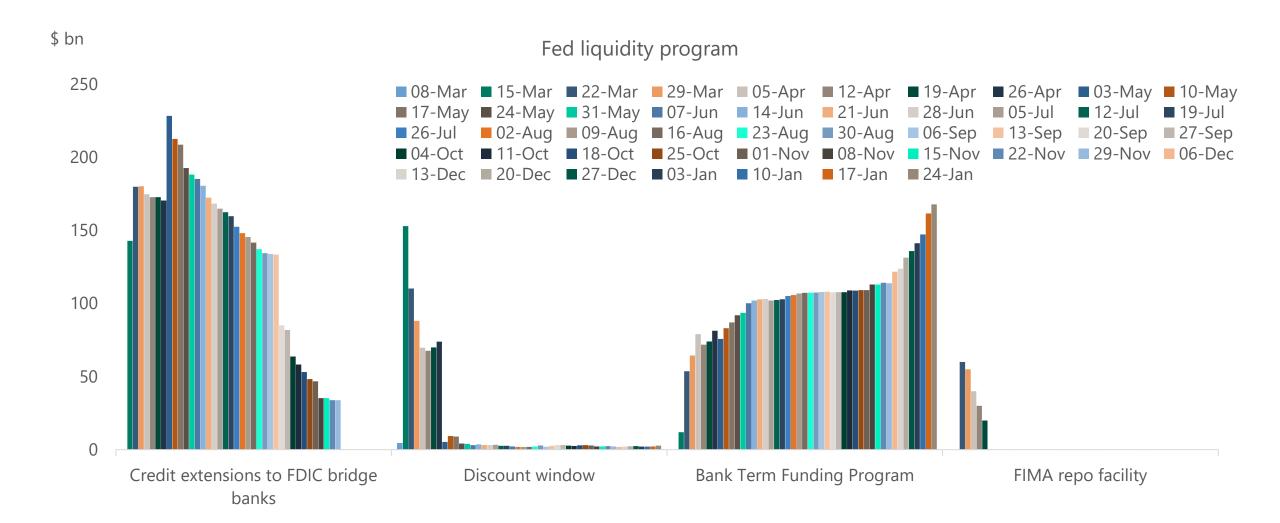


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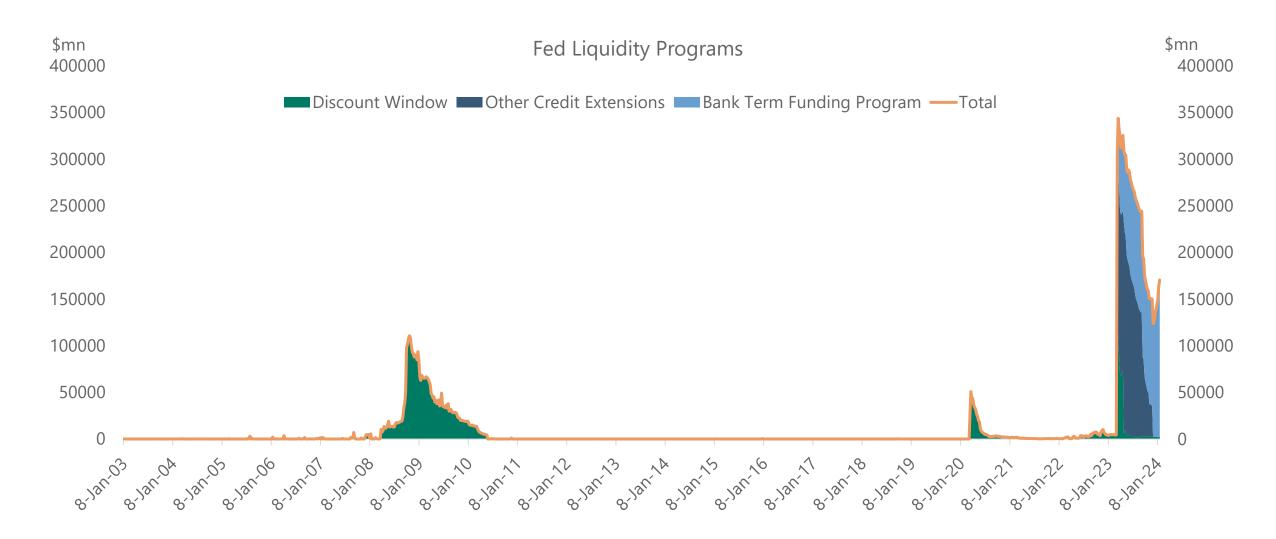
Fed Discount Window borrowing was higher during regional banking crisis than in 2008



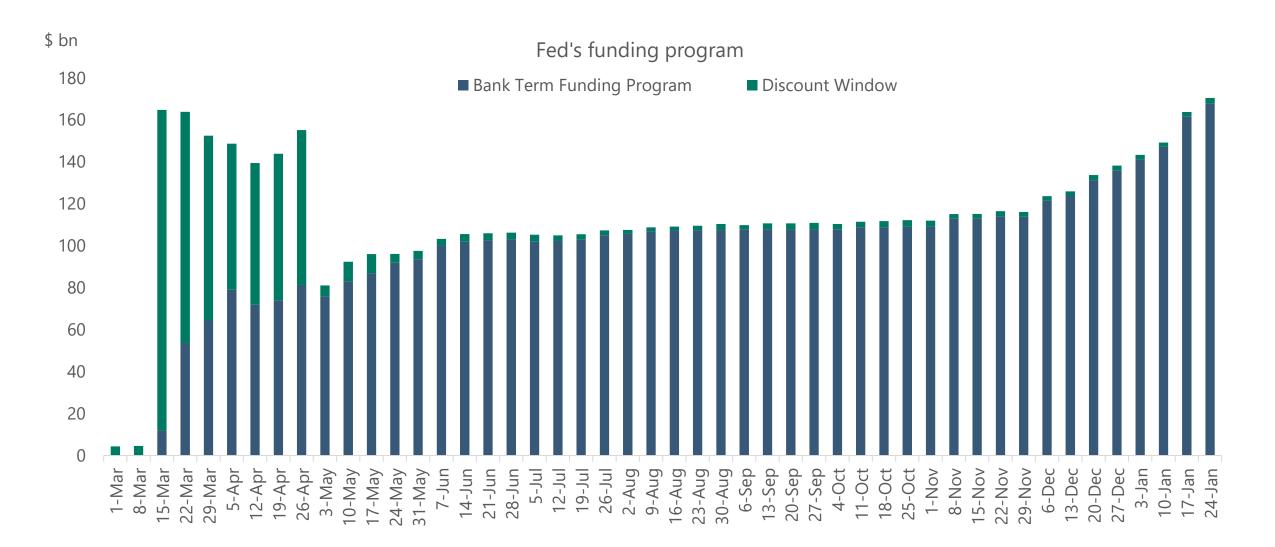
Fed liquidity programs



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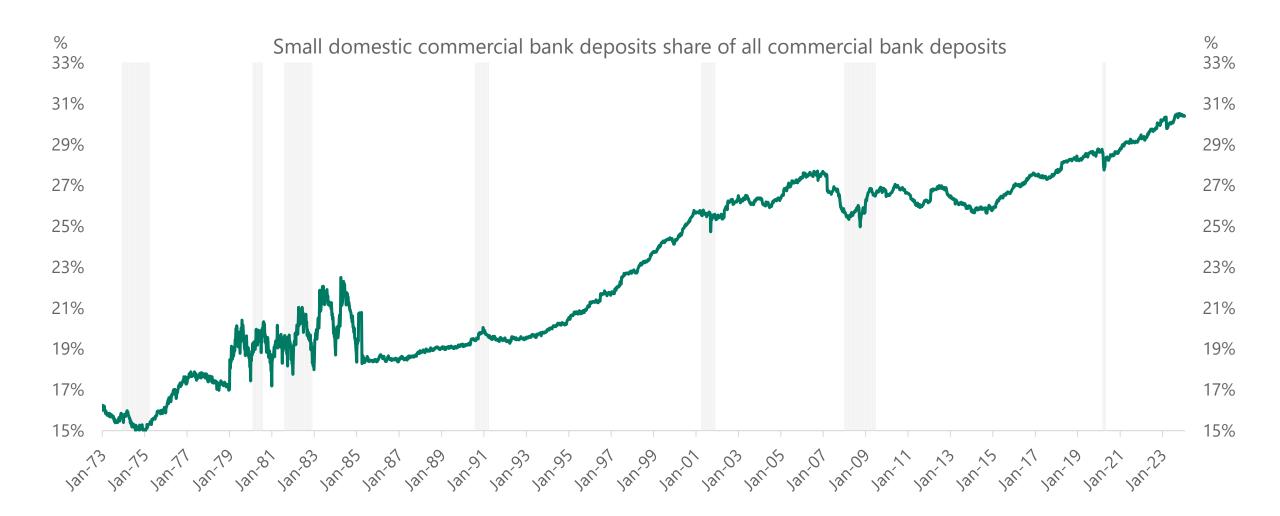
Borrowing through the Bank Term Funding Program



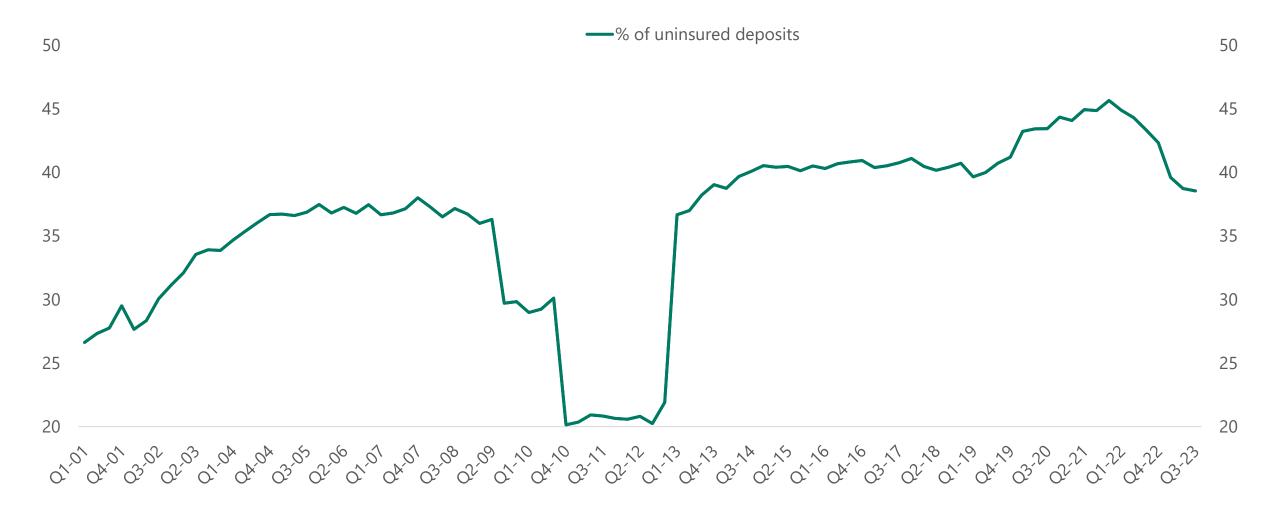
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What is happening with deposits in regional banks?

Small banks account for about 30% of total deposits in the banking sector, and the share has been rising since the 2008 financial crisis

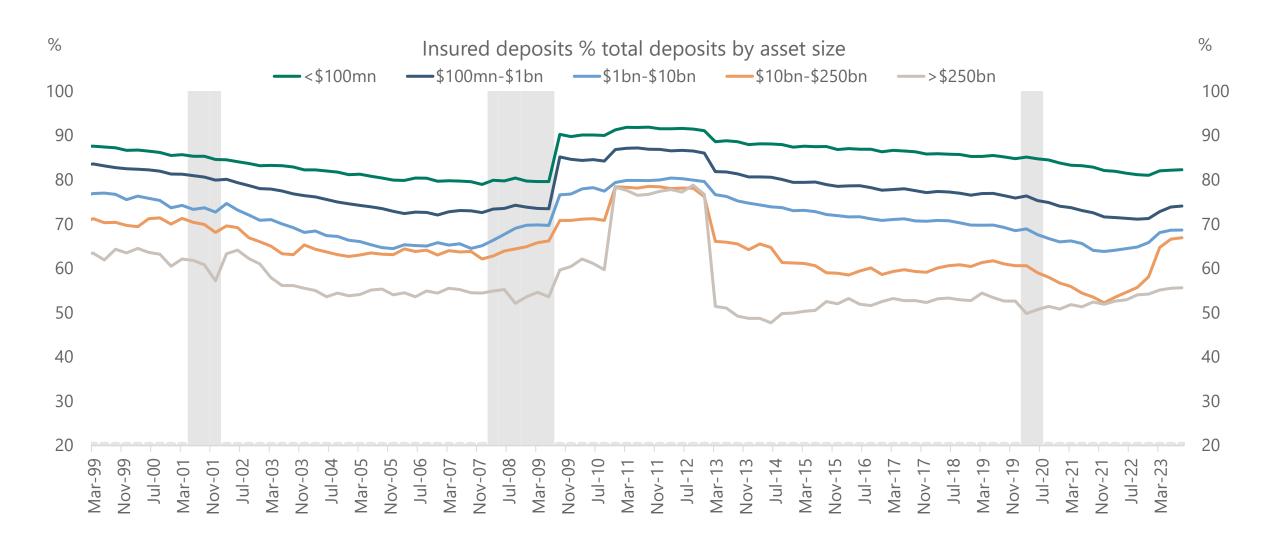


Share of total bank deposits that are uninsured: 39%



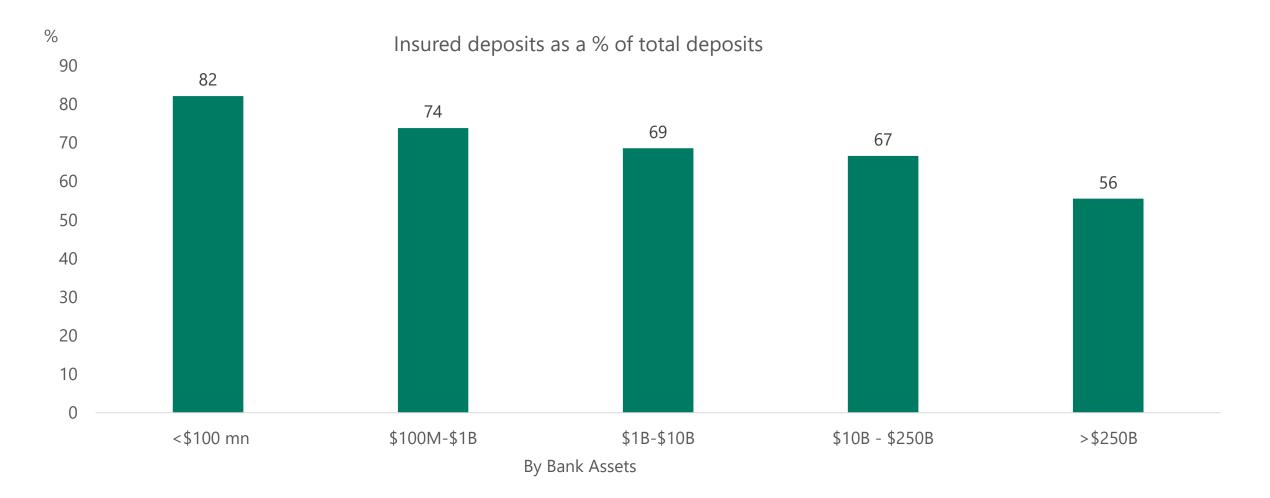
Source: FDIC, Haver Analytics, Apollo Chief Economist.

Share of insured deposits, by bank size



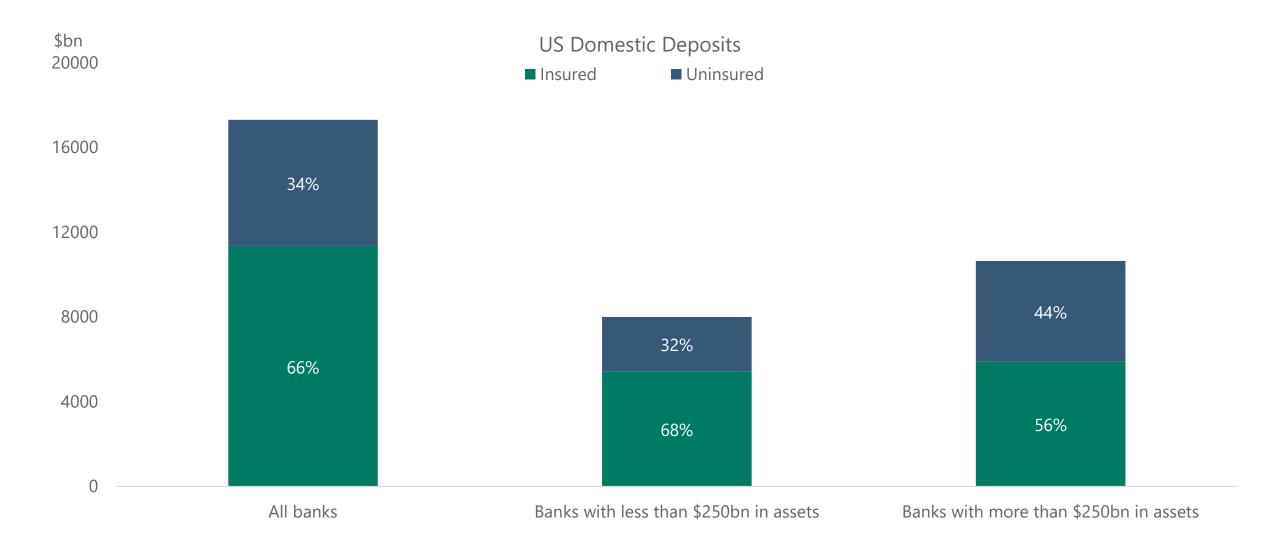
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Share of insured deposits, by bank size



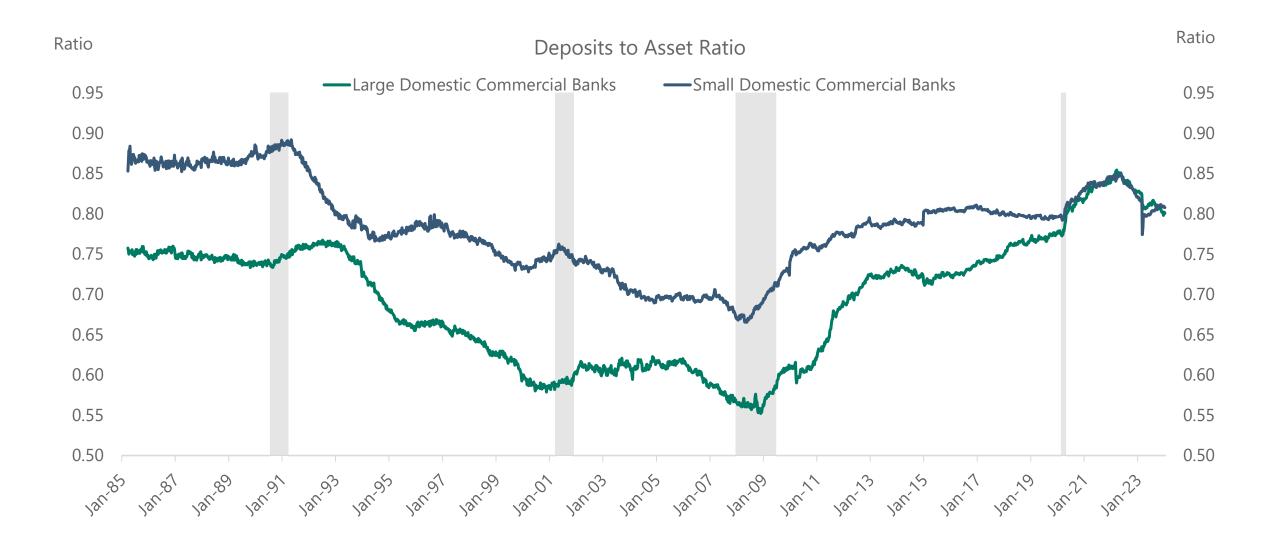
Source: FDIC, Haver Analytics, Apollo Chief Economist. As of Q2 2023

Share of insured deposits, by bank size

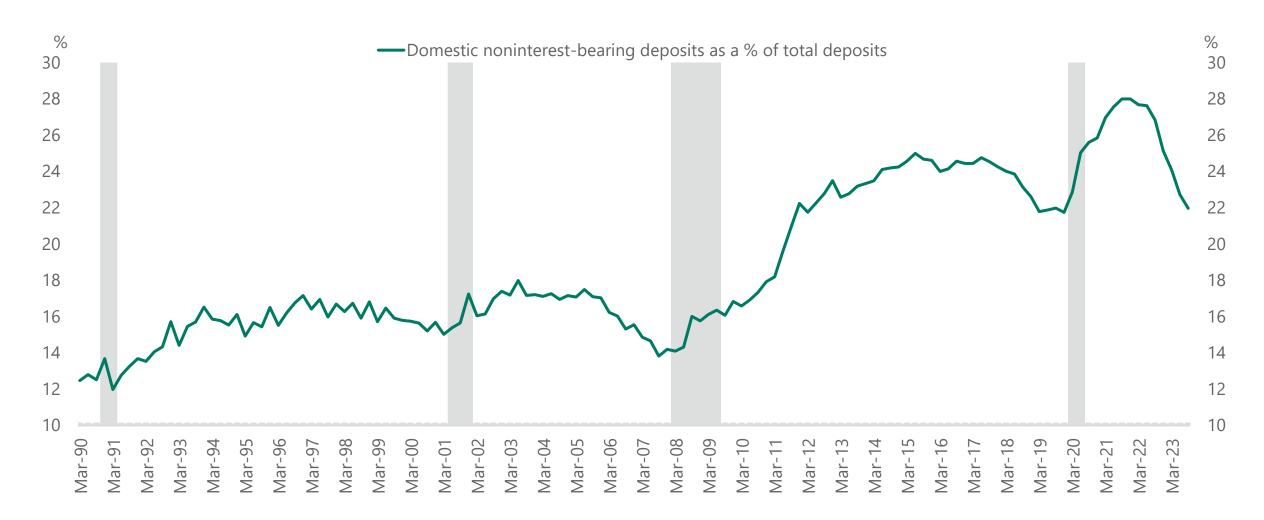


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Deposit to asset ratio for large and small banks

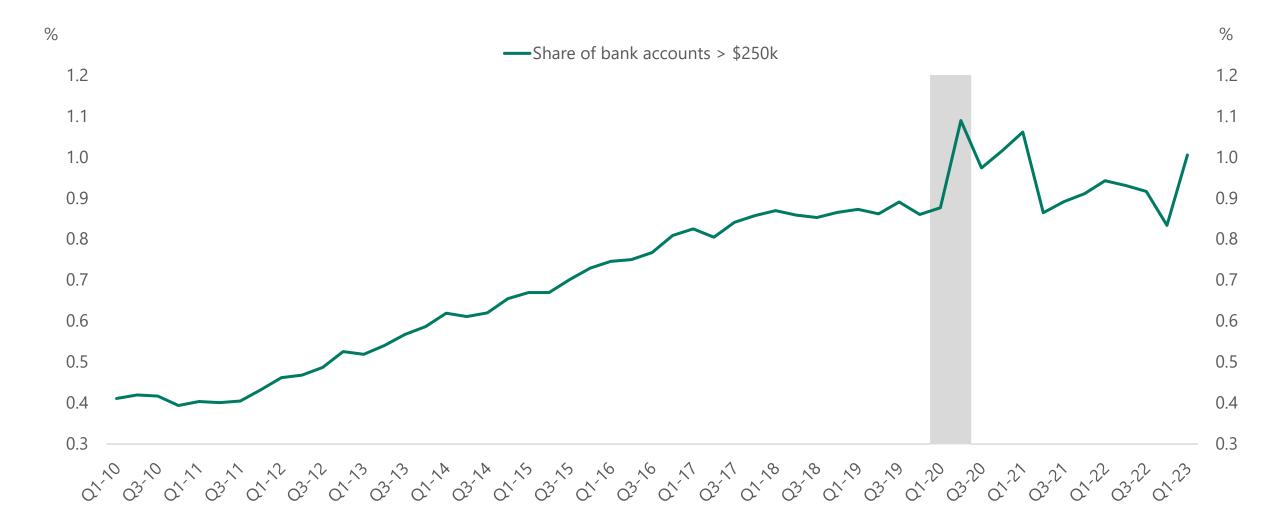


22% of deposits pay no interest



Source: FDIC, Apollo Chief Economist.

1% of bank accounts have a balance higher than \$250k

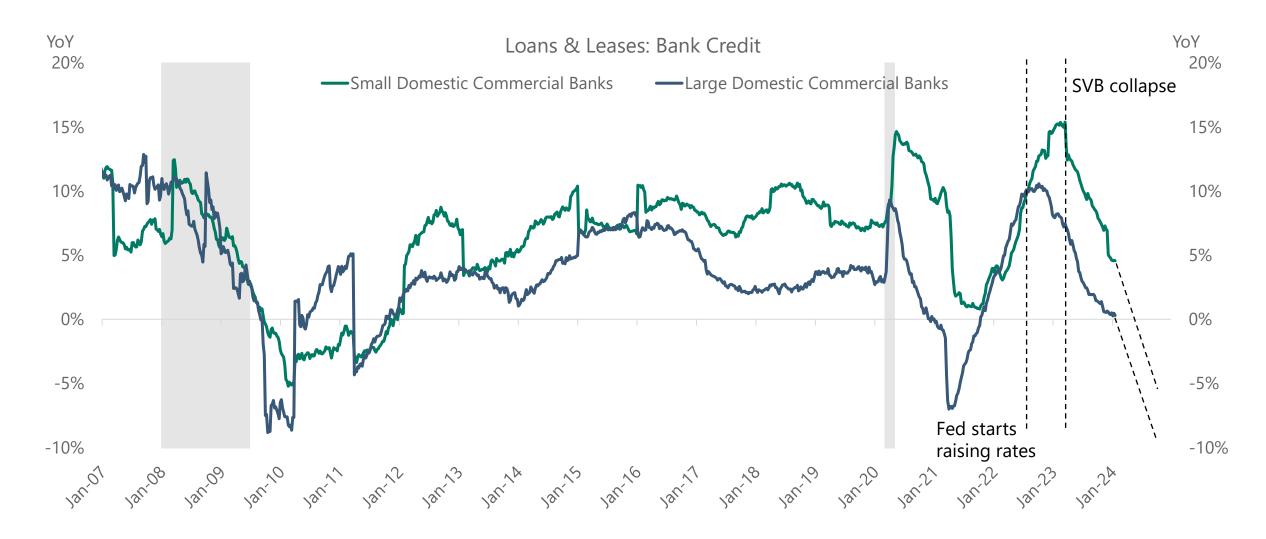


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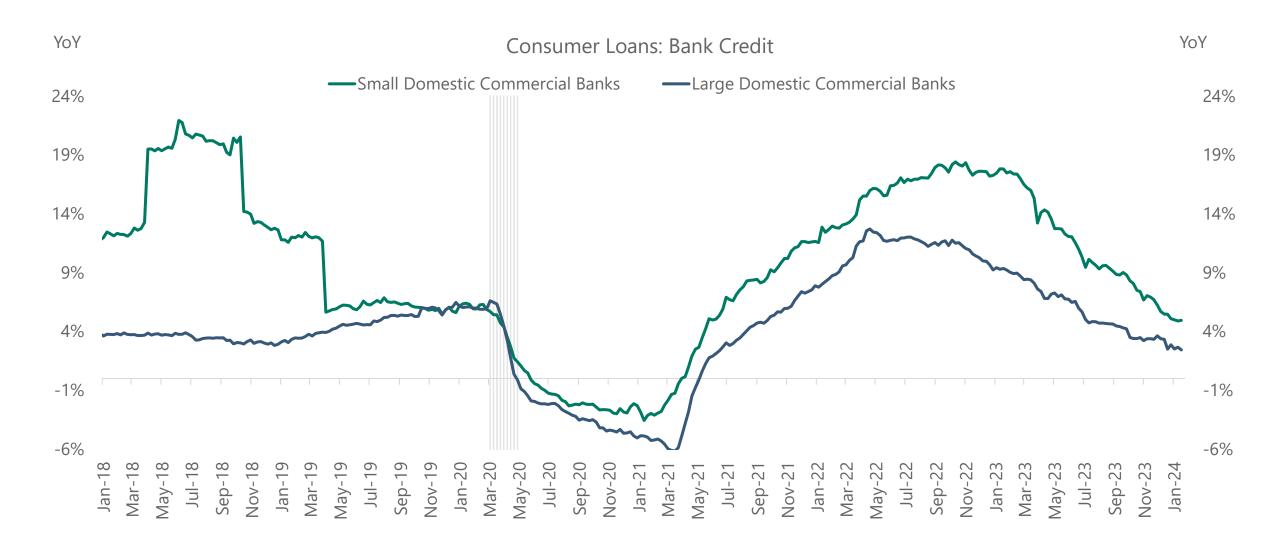
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Weekly data for bank lending by small and large banks

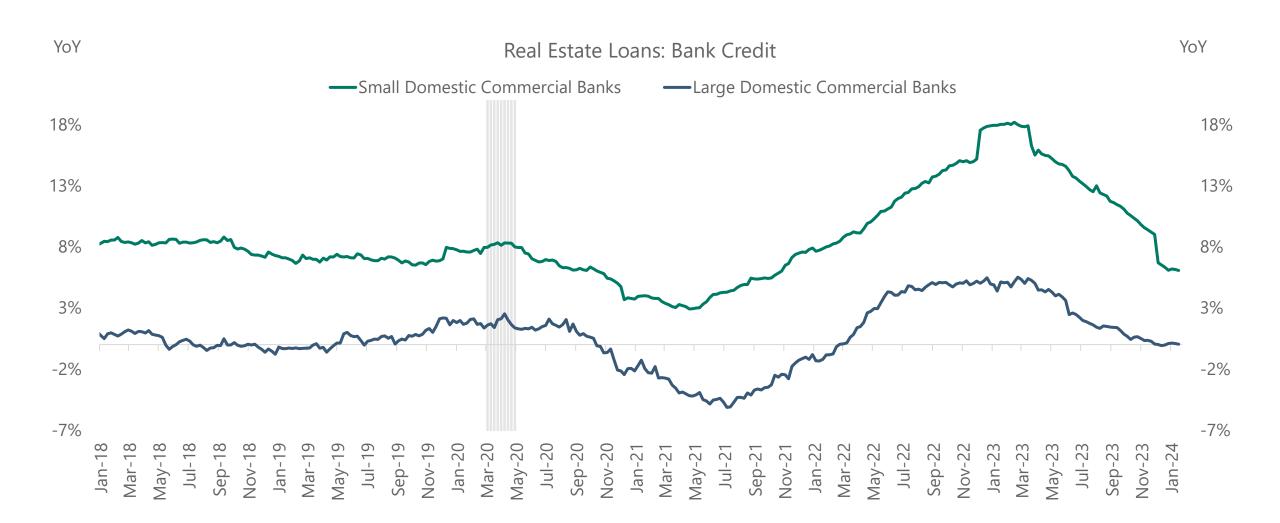
Weekly Fed data shows small and large bank lending growth slowing



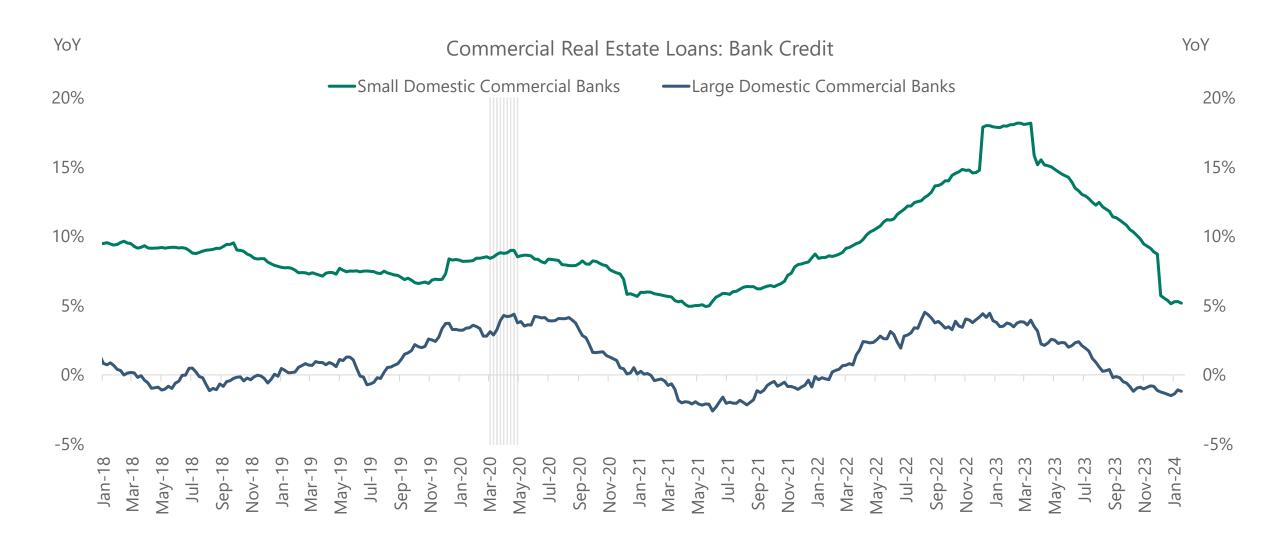
Lending to consumers is slowing for both small and large banks



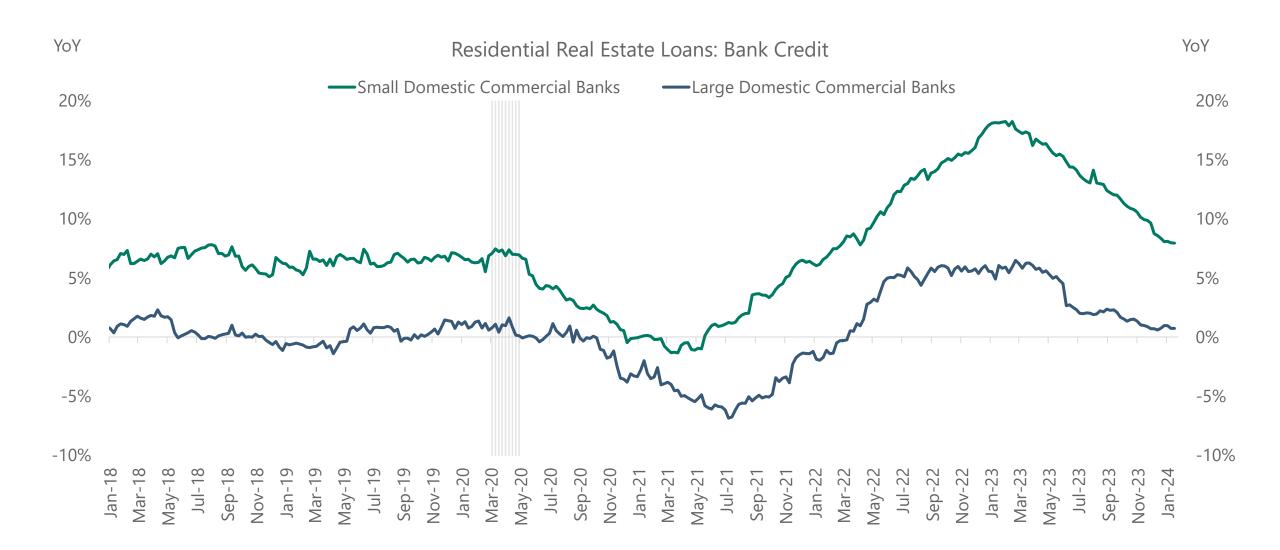
Real estate lending is slowing for both small and large banks



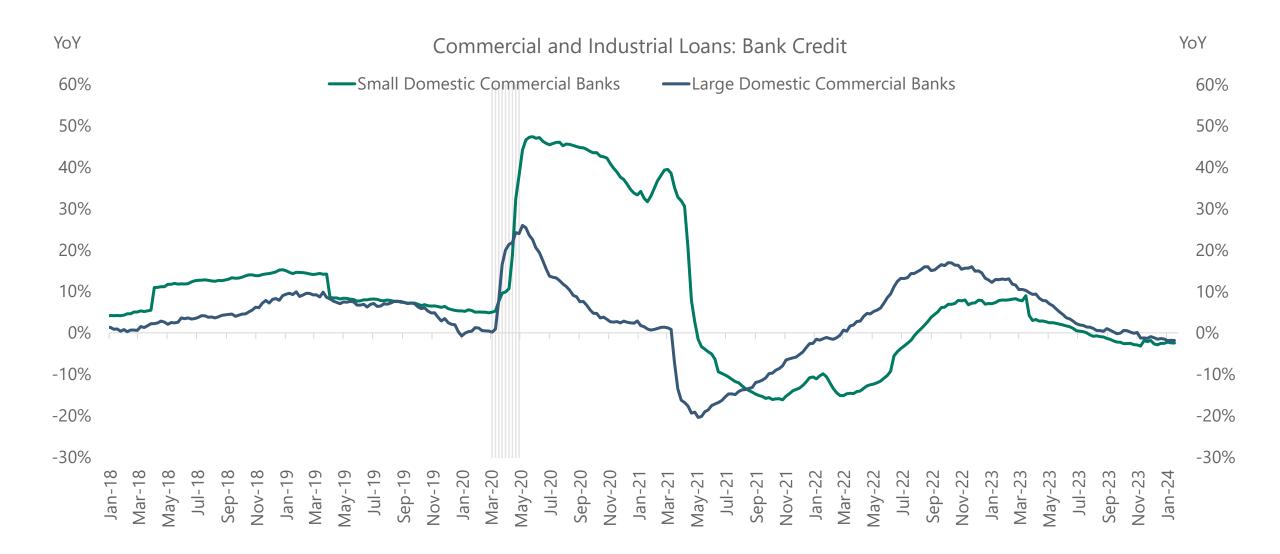
Commercial real estate lending is slowing for both small and large banks



Residential real estate lending is slowing for both small and large banks



Lending to corporates is slowing for both small and large banks

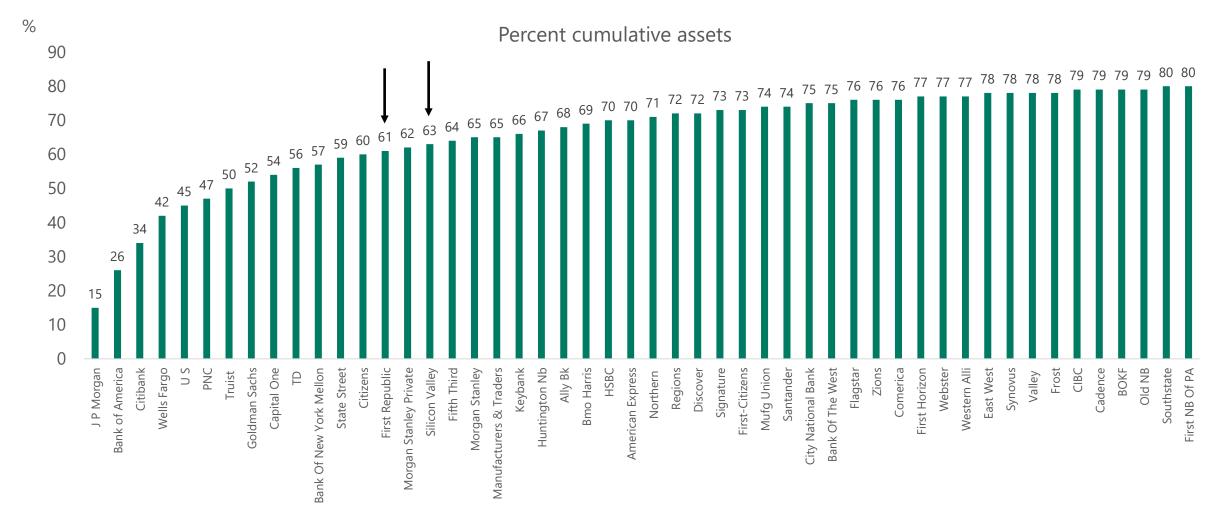


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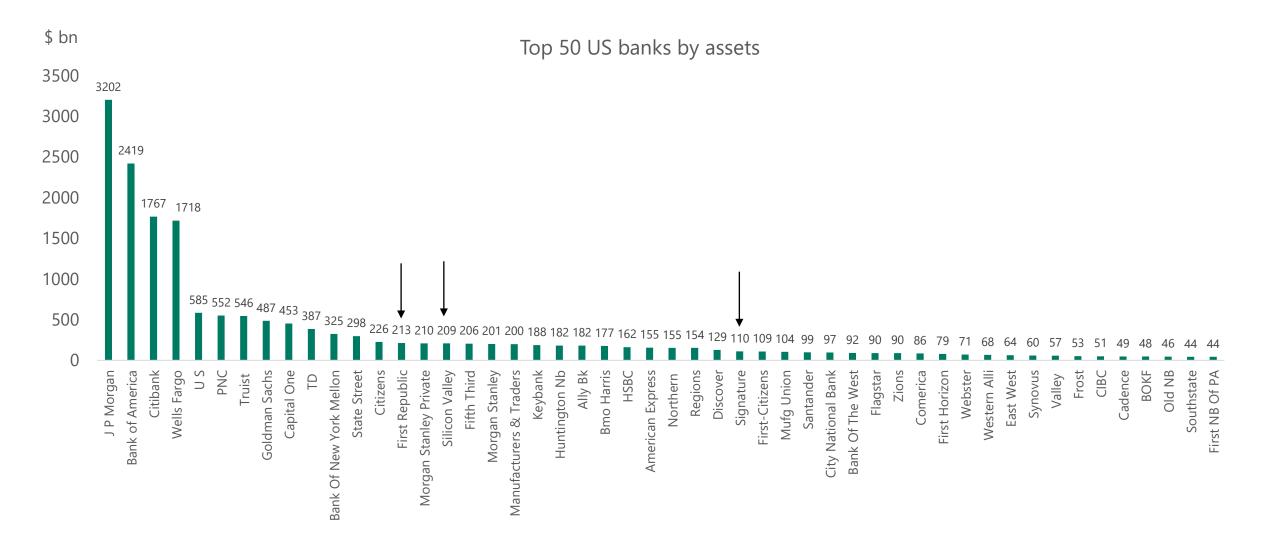
US banks by asset size:

The importance of regional banks for the US economy

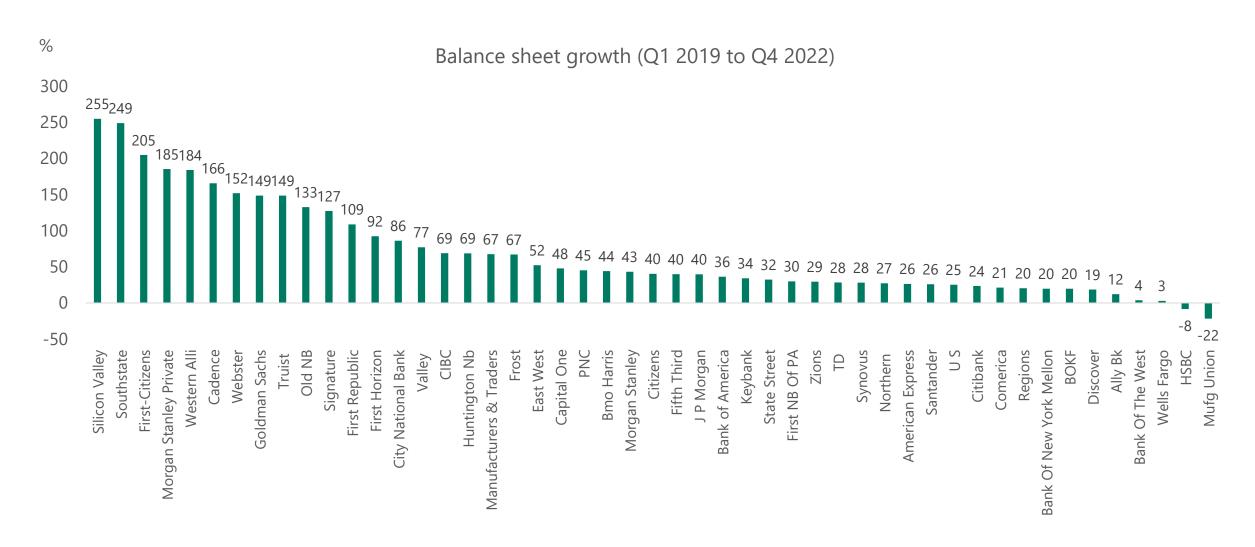
Tighter credit conditions are coming: Banks "to the right" of SVB are likely to start reorganizing their balance sheets



Top 50 US banks by assets

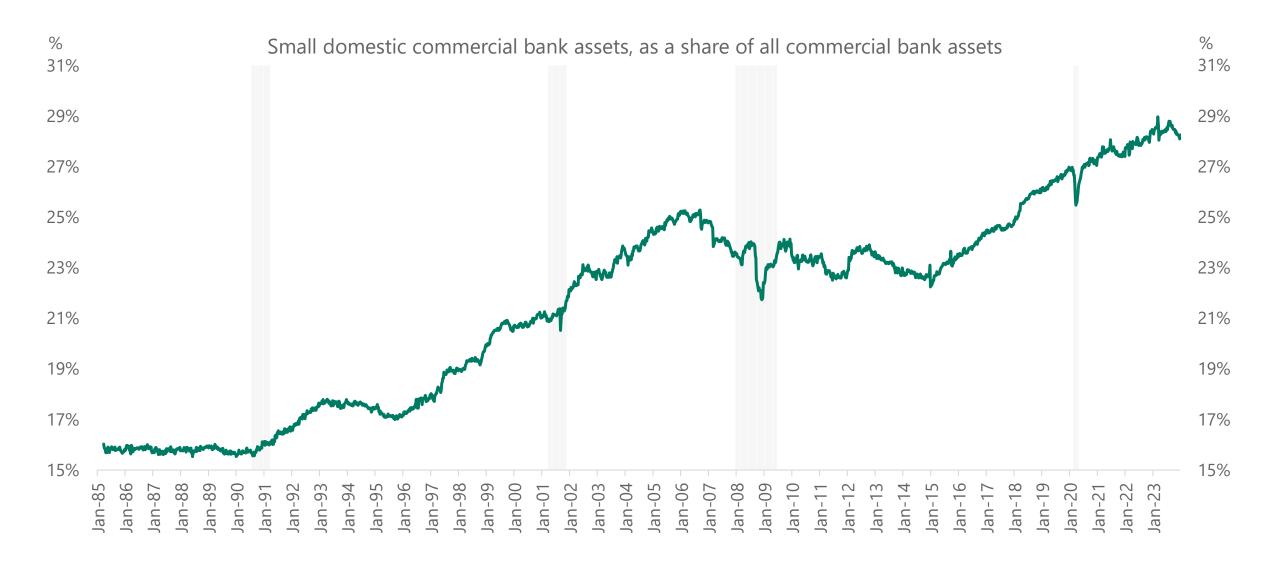


Balance sheet growth of US banks, ranked by fastest growth in percent

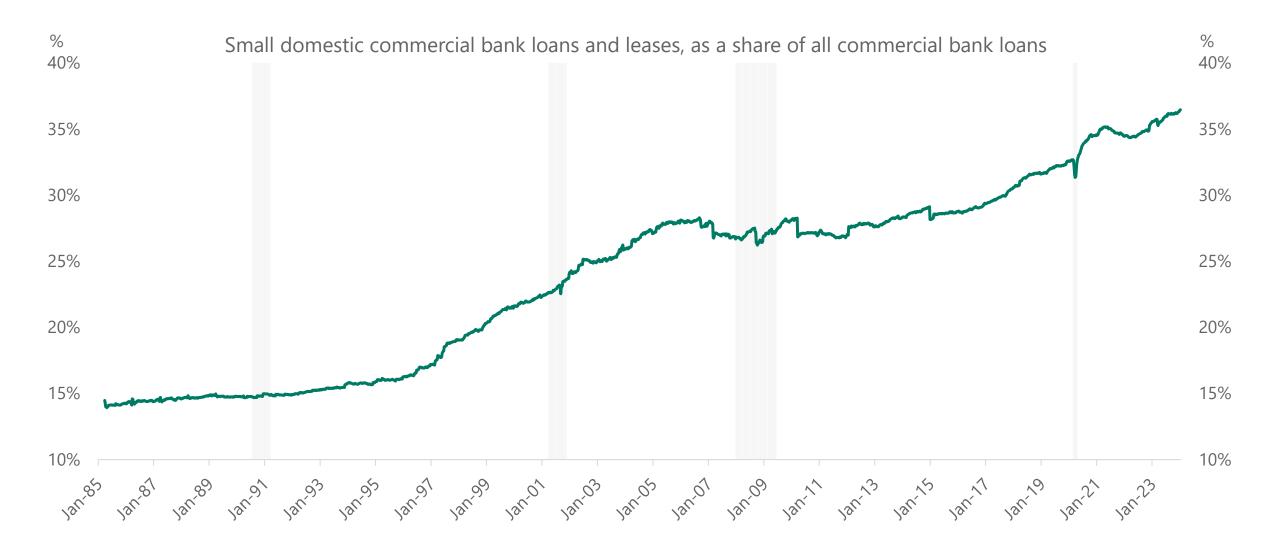


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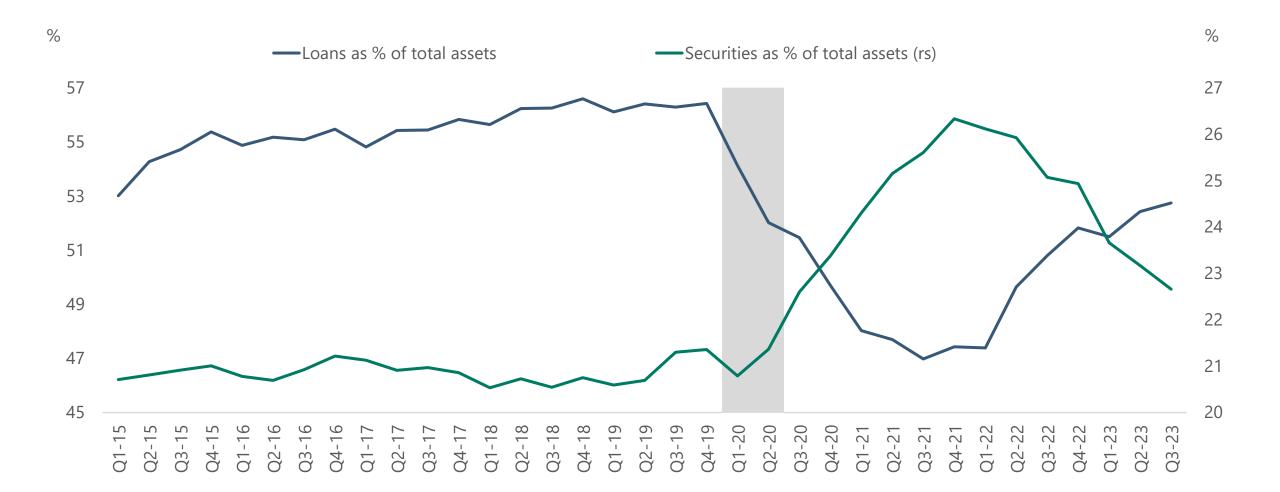
Small bank assets as a share of total banking sector assets



Share of lending by smaller banks

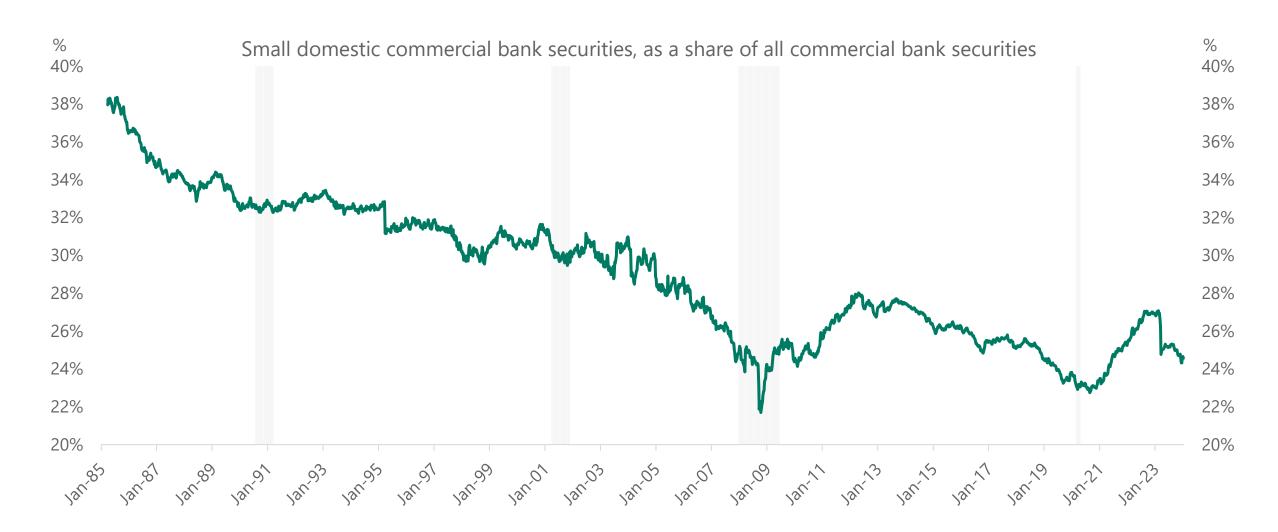


During the pandemic, banks shifted from lending to holding securities, which made them more vulnerable to Fed hikes and higher rates

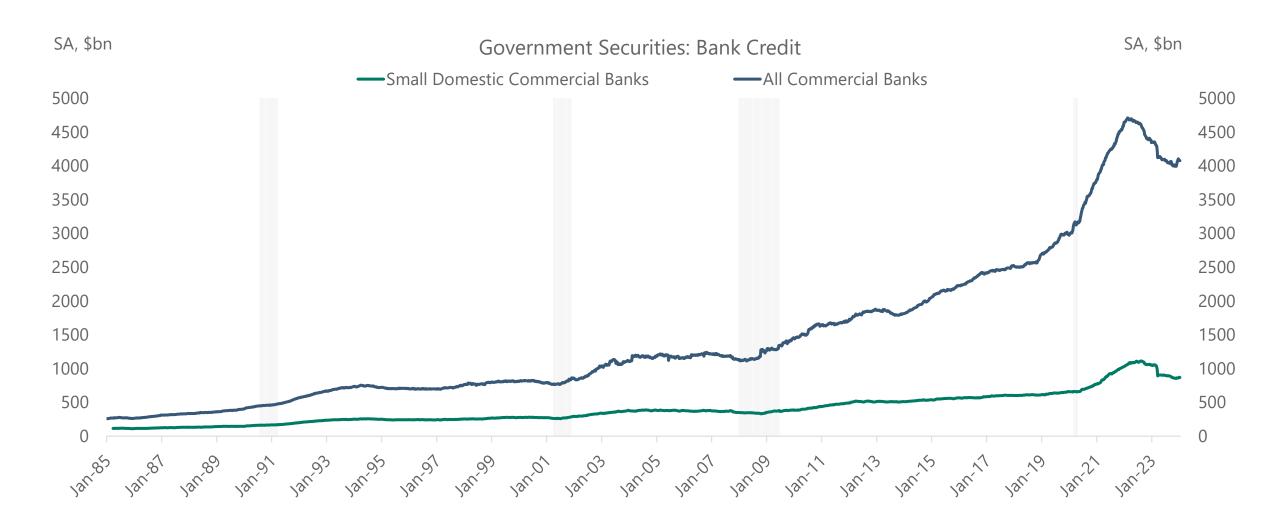


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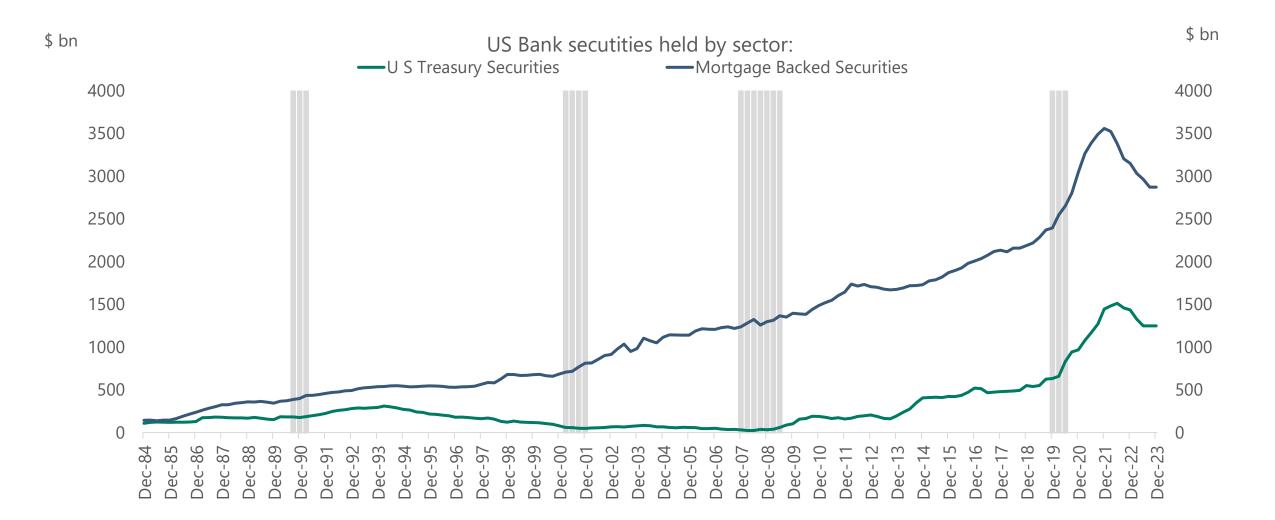
Share of securities in the banking sector held by small banks



Small banks hold about \$868bn in Treasuries

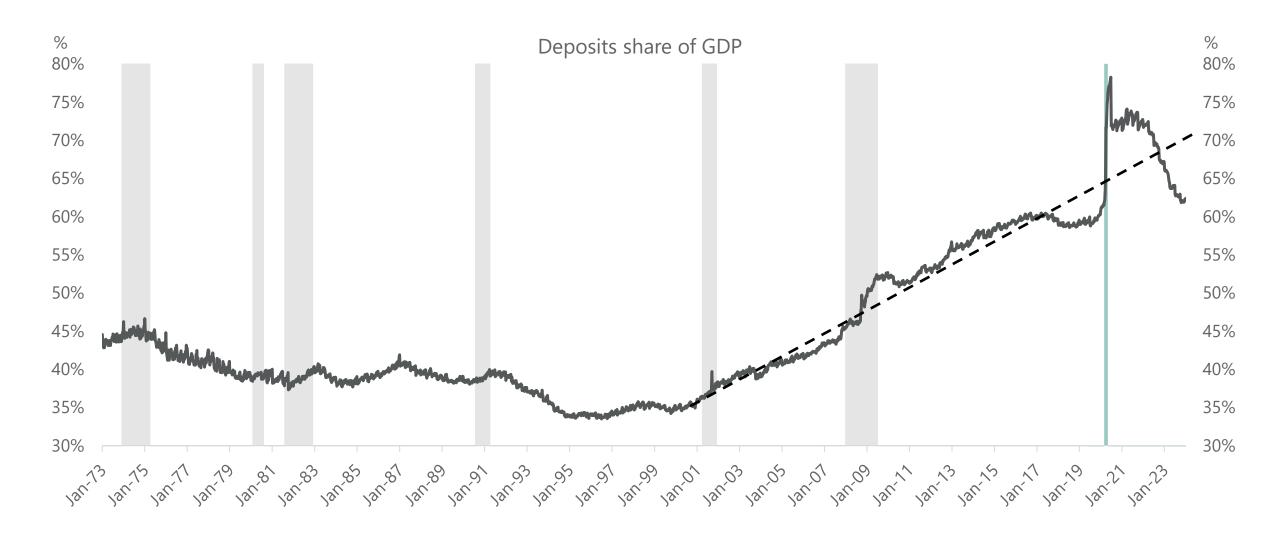


Securities held by FDIC-insured banks



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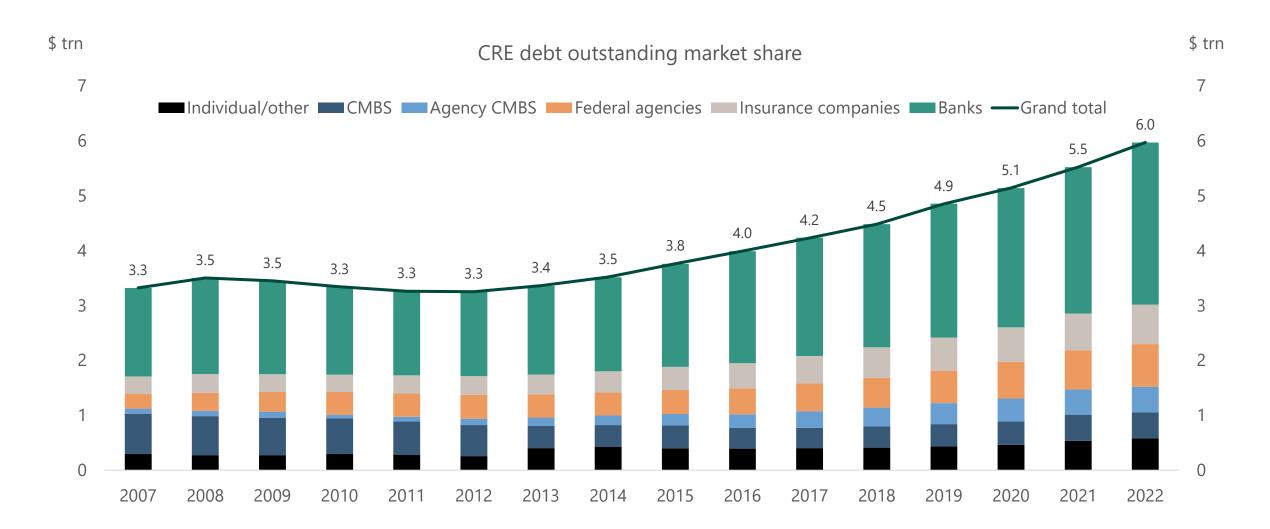
Deposits as a share of GDP



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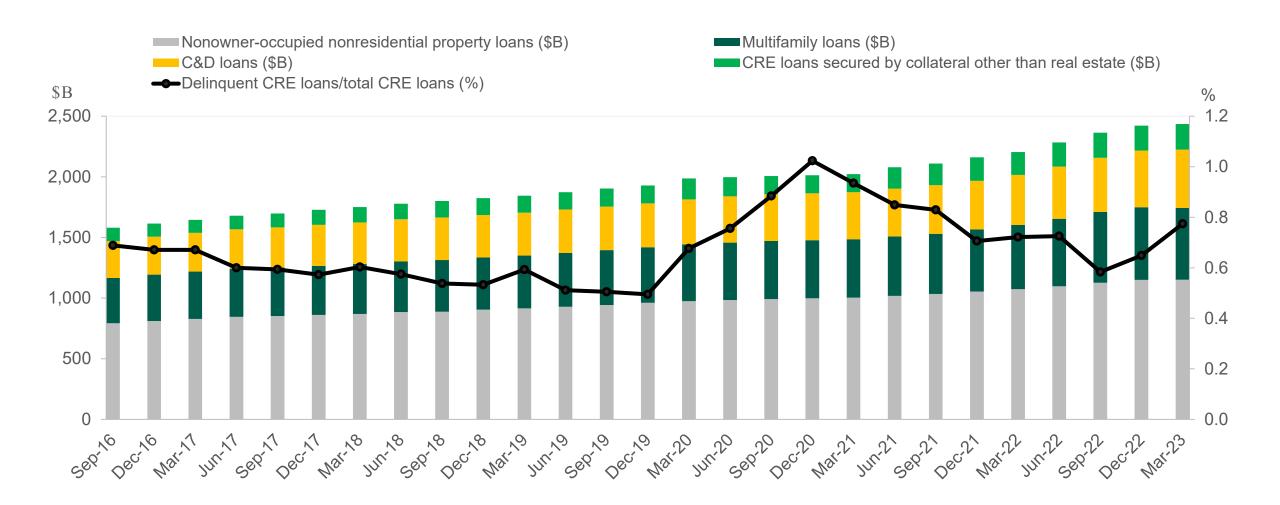
Regional banks' asset concentration in CRE

US banks hold half of CRE debt outstanding



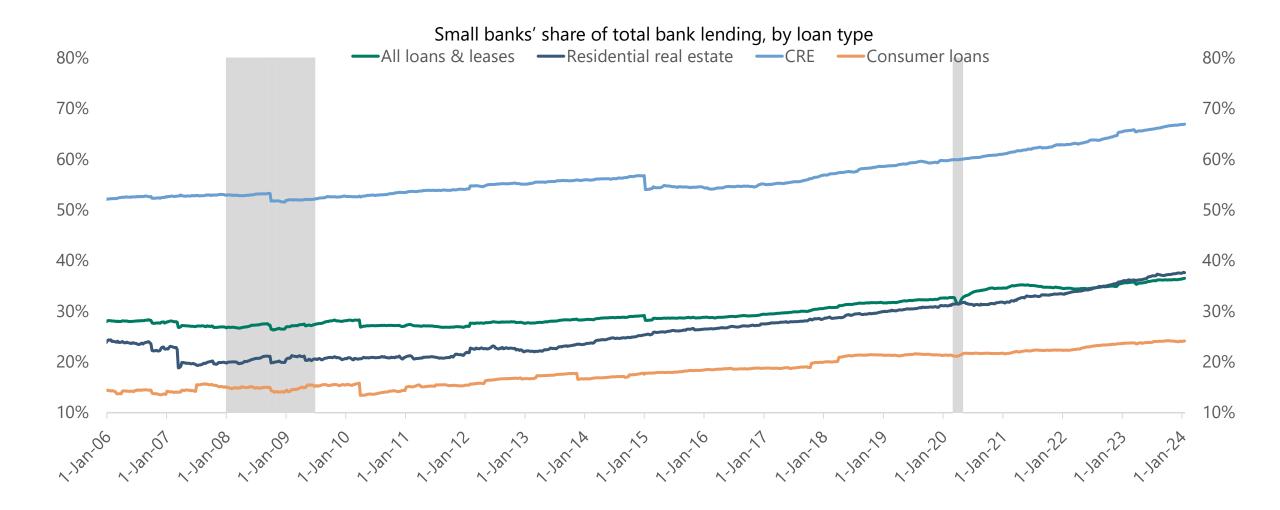
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CRE composition and delinquency at US banks

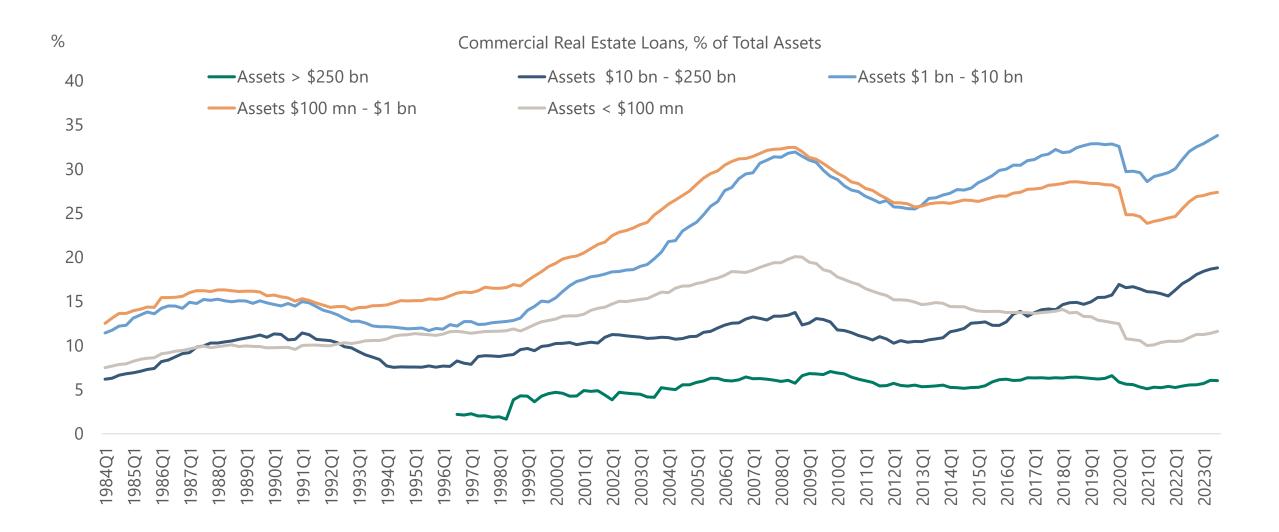


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Small banks account for almost 70% of all commercial real estate loans outstanding

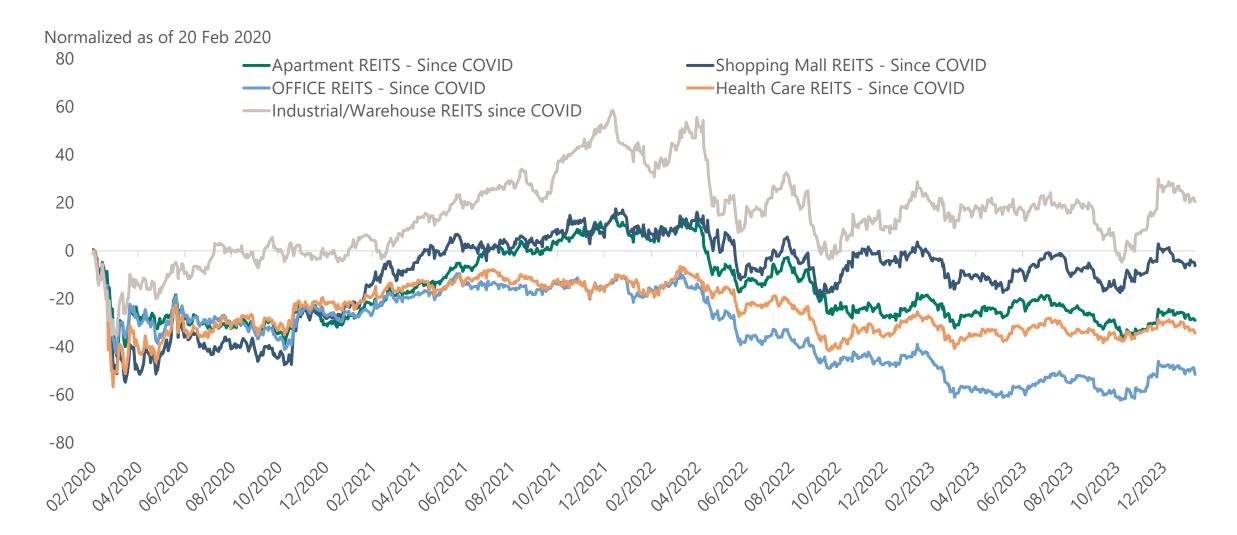


Banks with total assets between \$100mn and \$10bn are more exposed to CRE loans



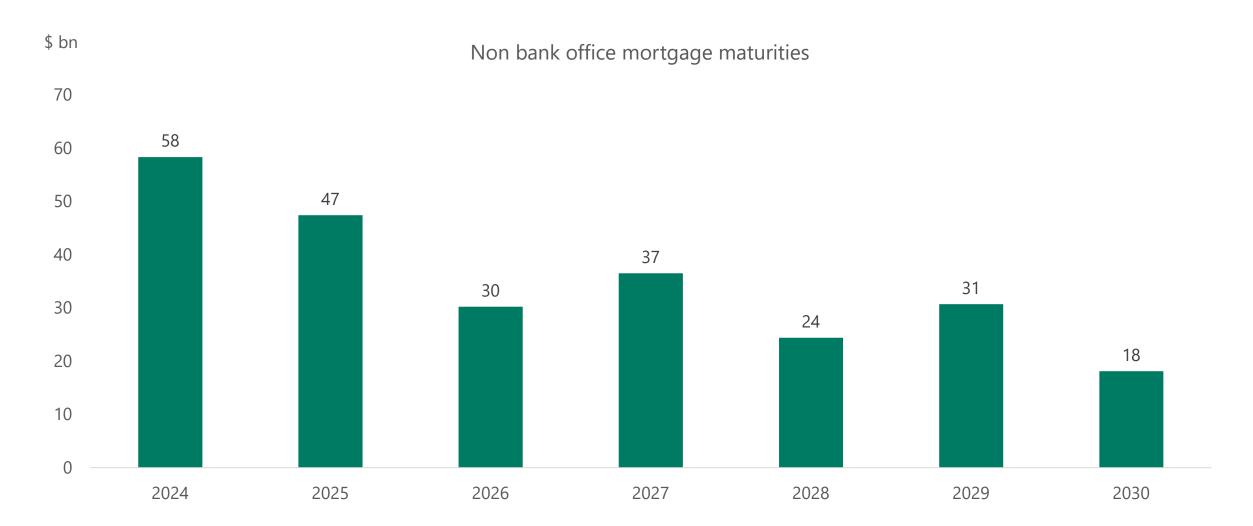
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Where are the problems in CRE?



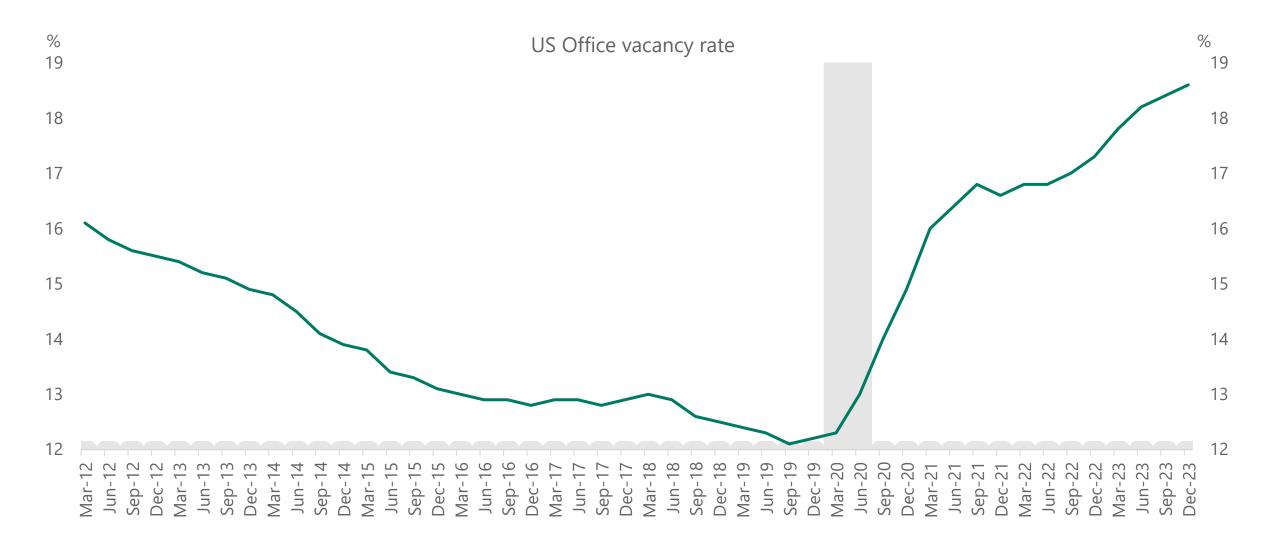
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Nearly \$58 bn of nonbank office debt is set to mature in 2024



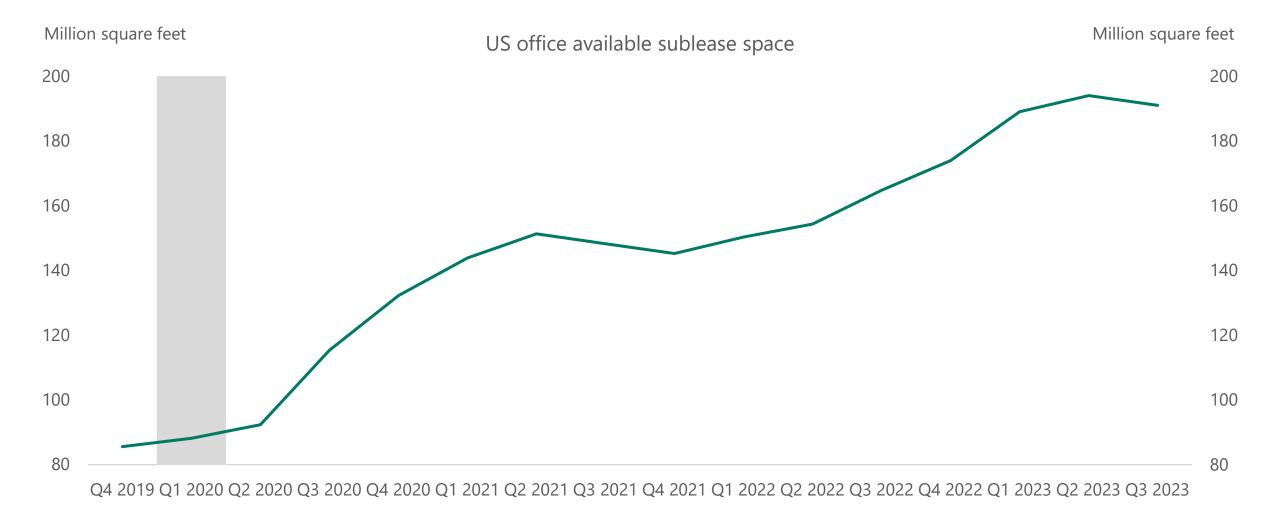
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US Office vacancy rate rising



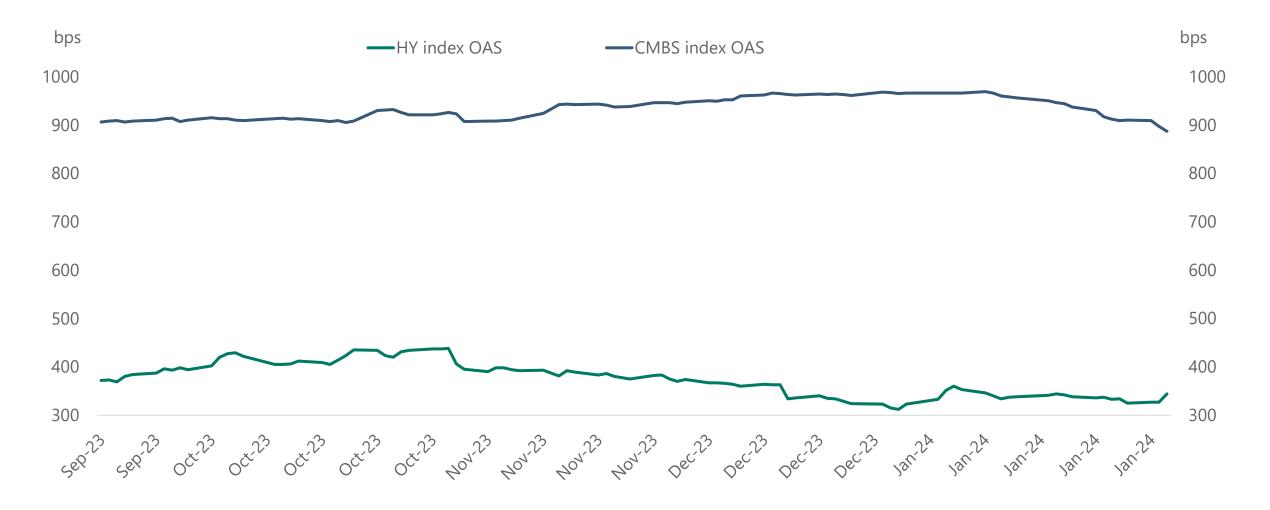
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Available US office space

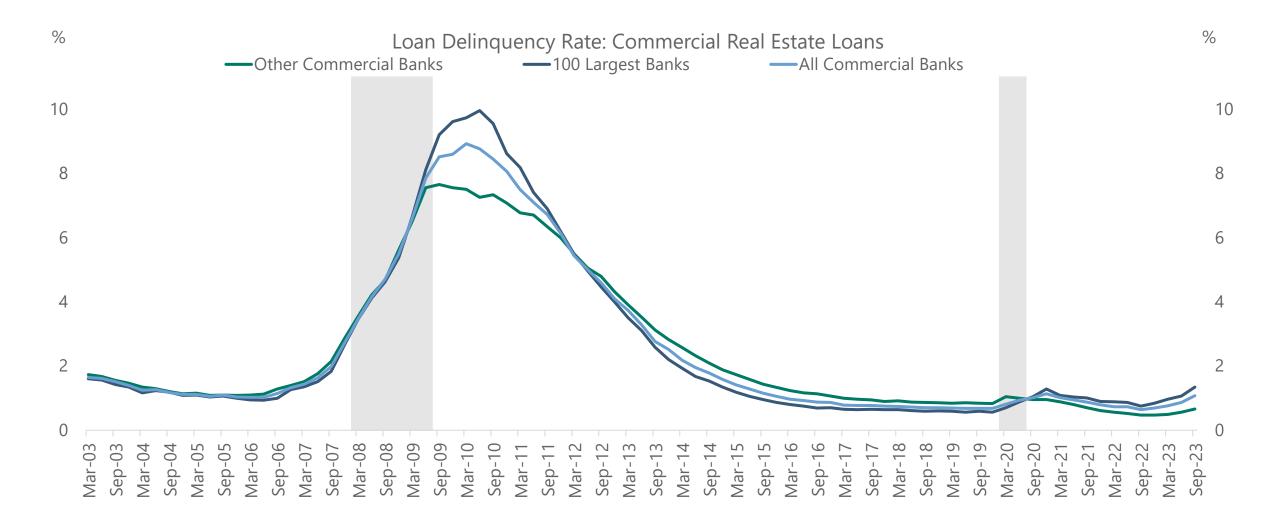


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CMBS spreads compared with HY spreads

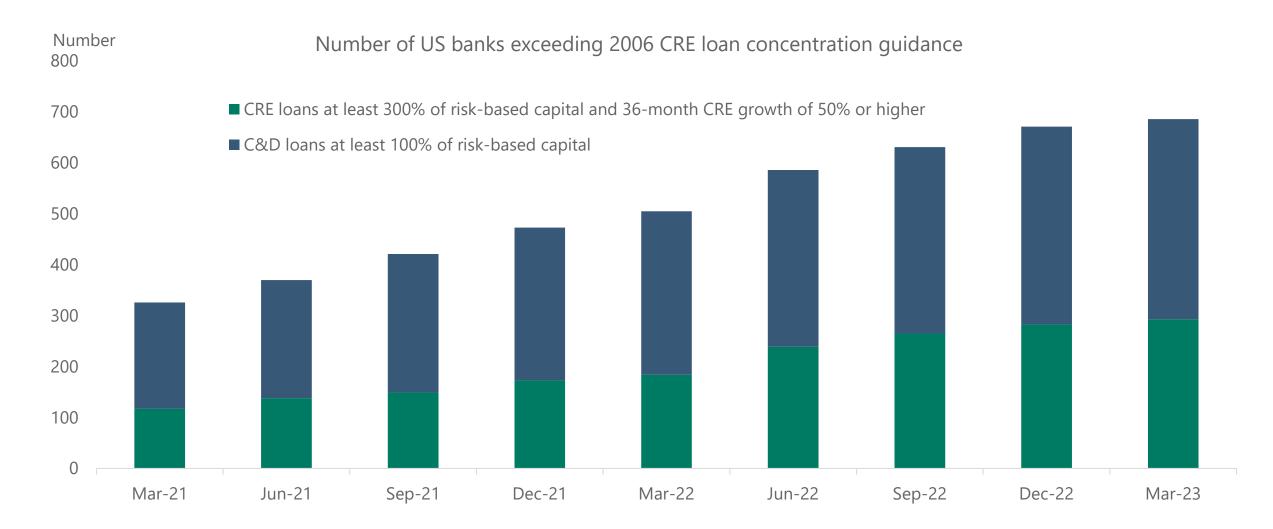


CRE delinquency rate

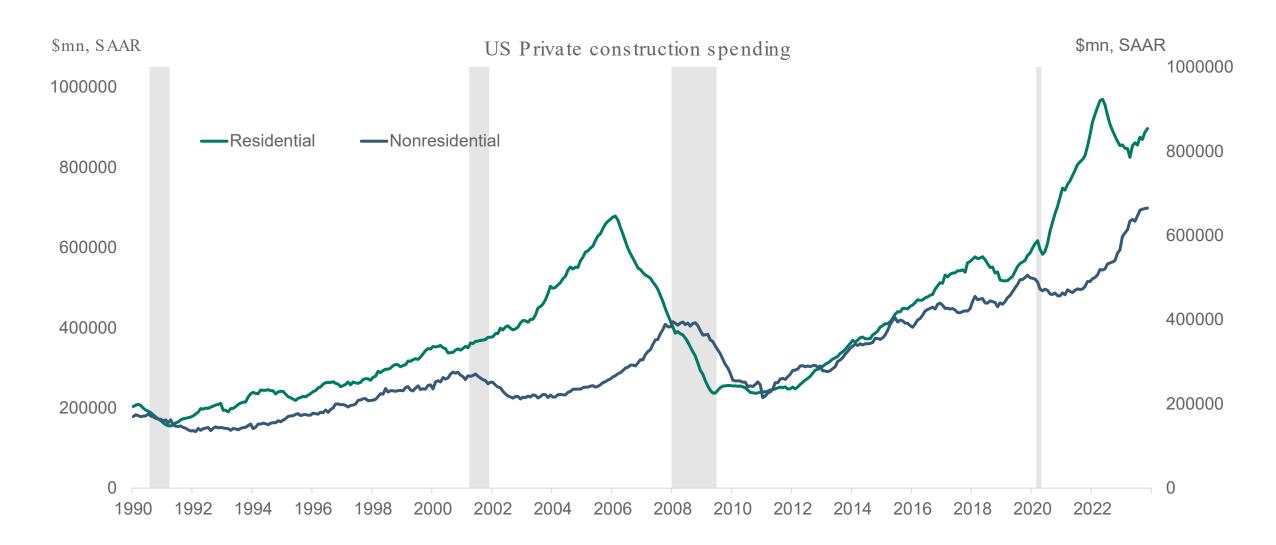


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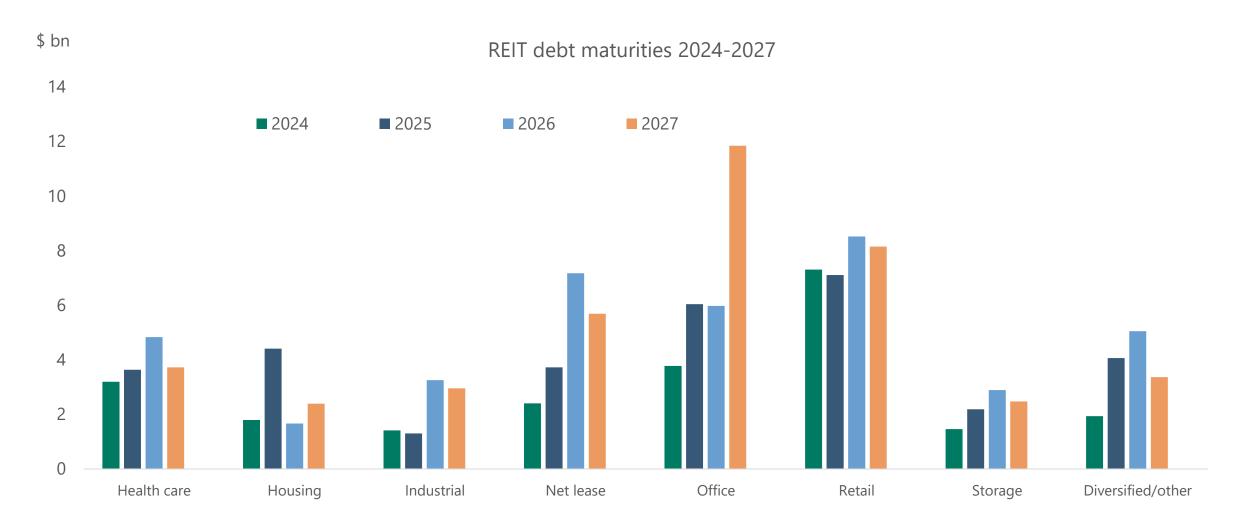
Number of banks with CRE exposure rising



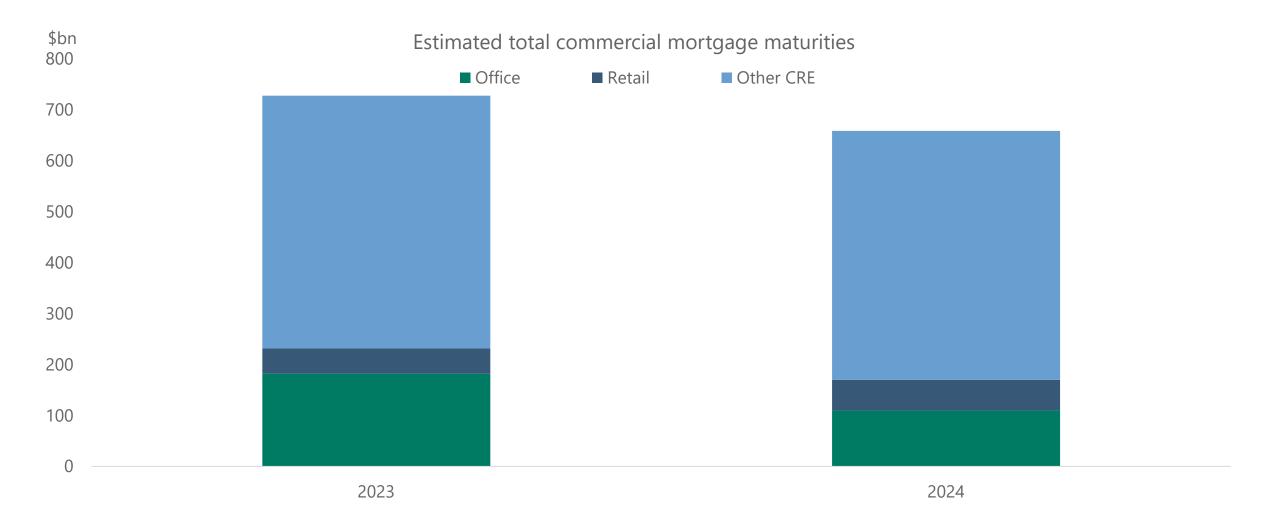
Residential construction spending elevated



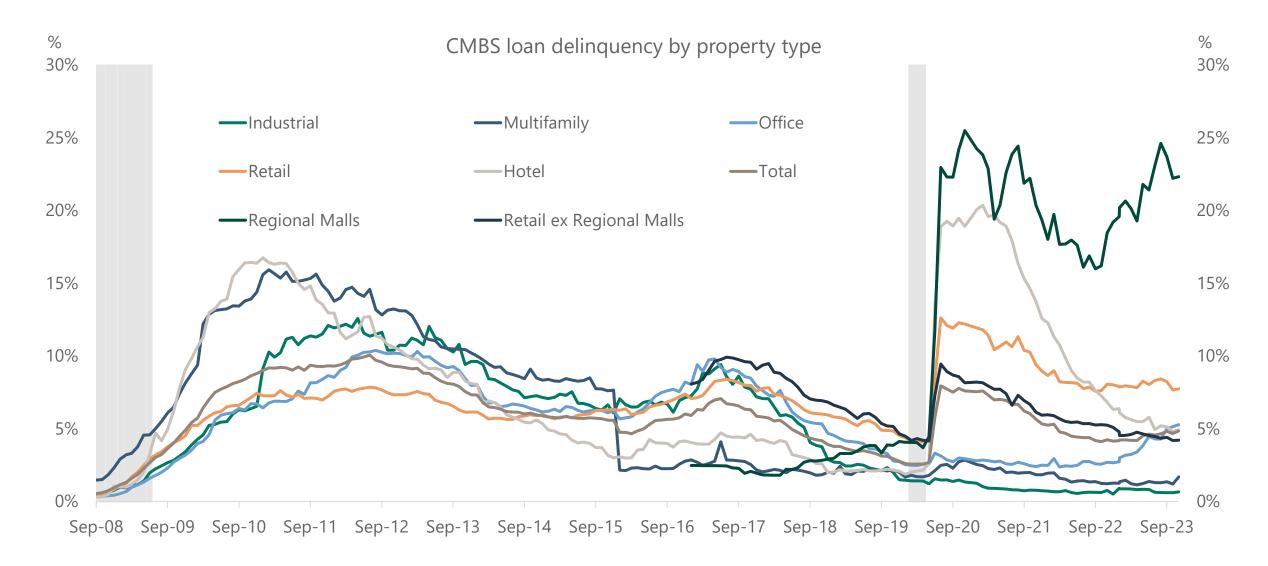
U.S. REITs hold approximately \$23 billion of debt maturing this year



CRE maturity profile

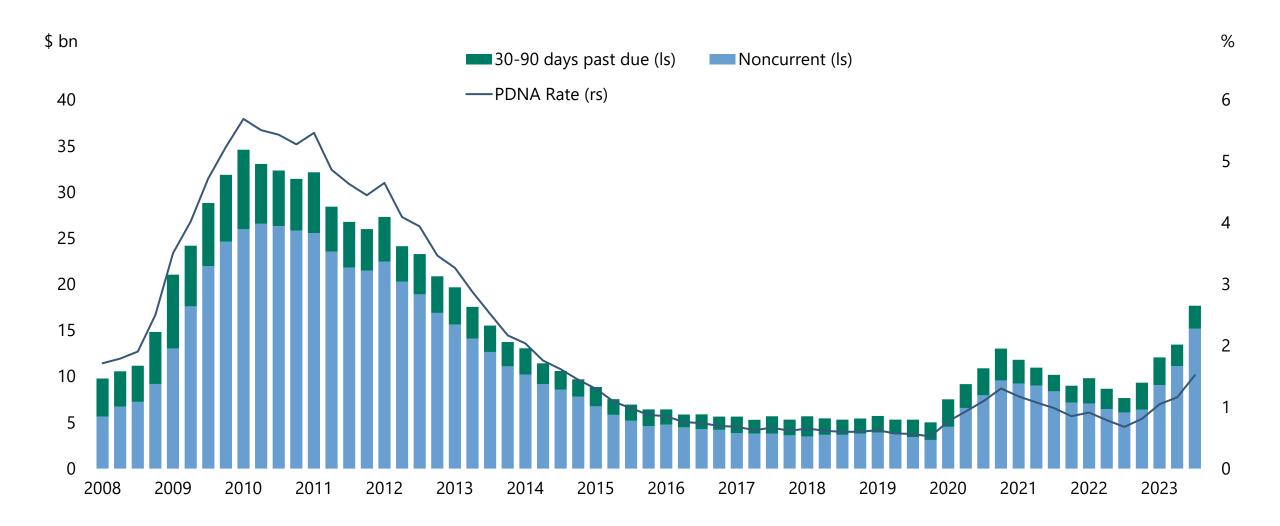


Delinquency rates rising for multifamily



Source: Moodys Analytics, Apollo Chief Economist

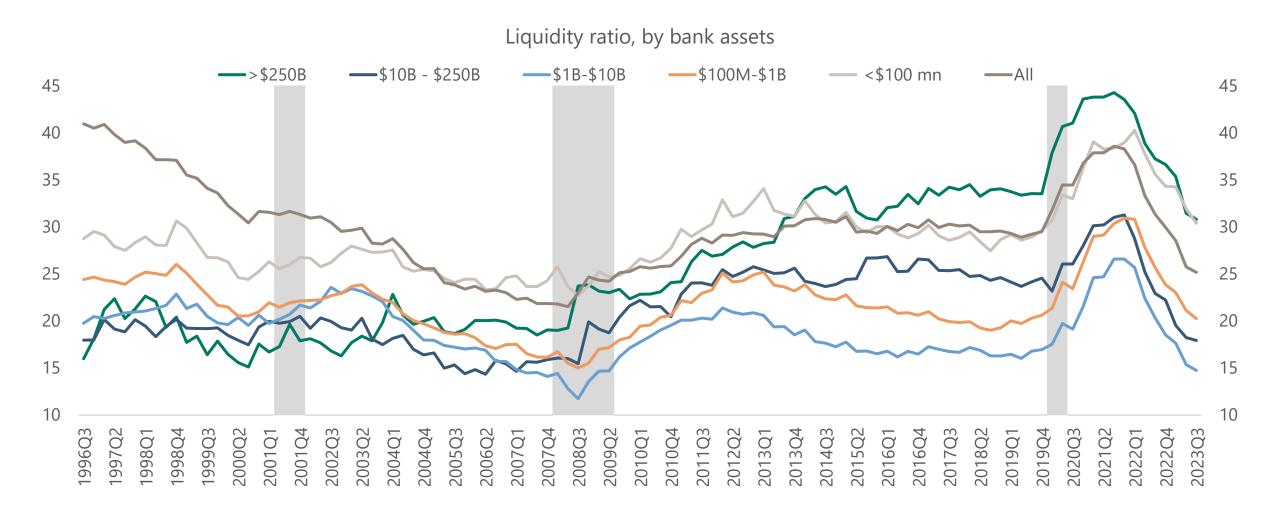
Non-owner-occupied CRE past-due and noncurrent loans



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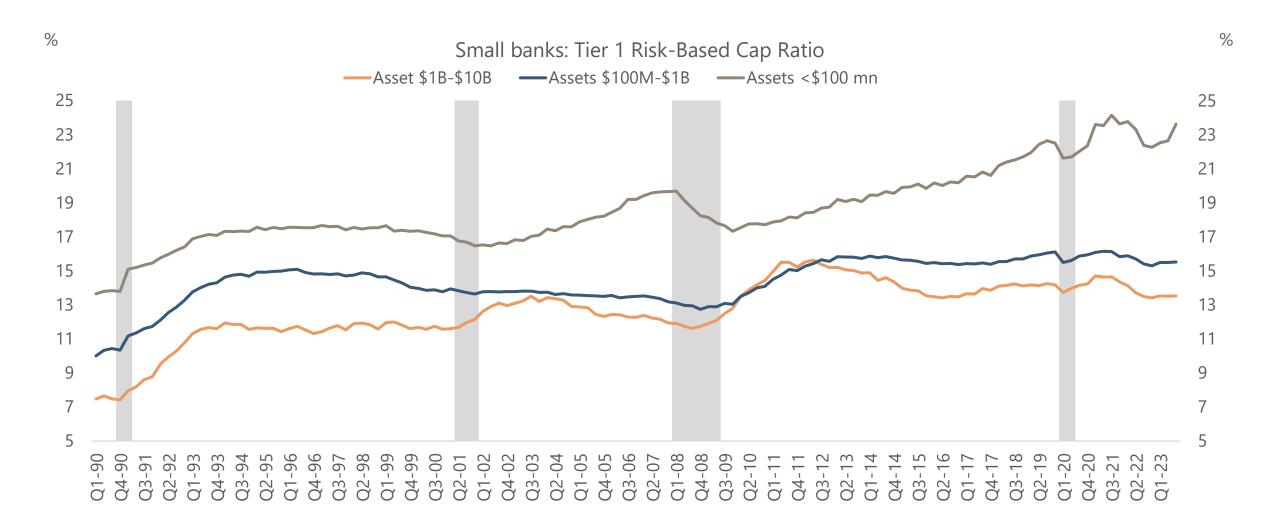
Measures of banking sector liquidity and capital ratios

Liquidity ratio, by bank assets: Banks from \$1bn to \$10bn have lower liquidity ratios

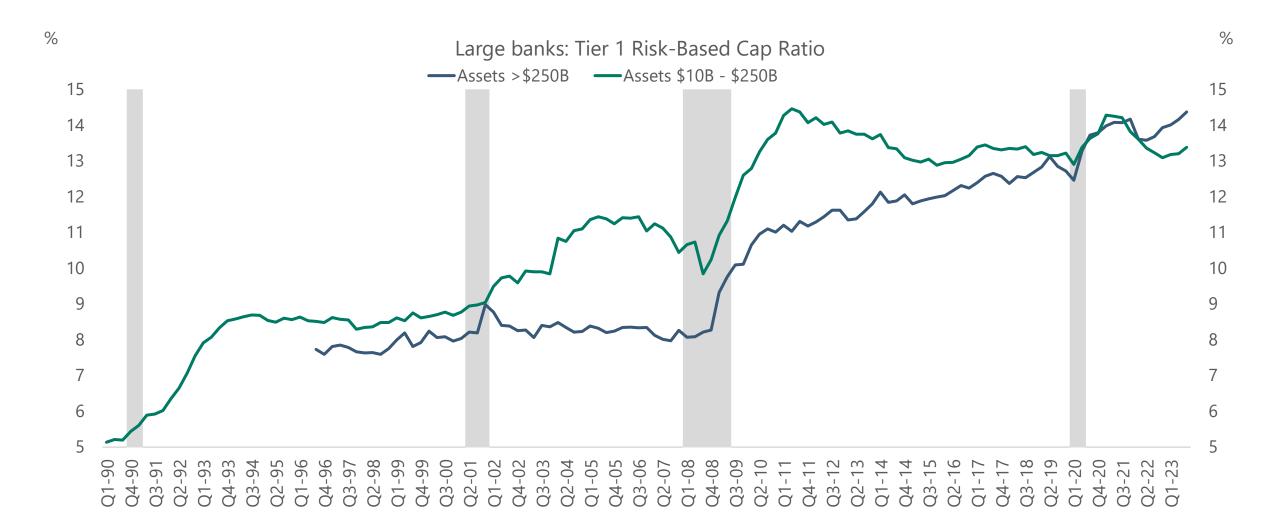


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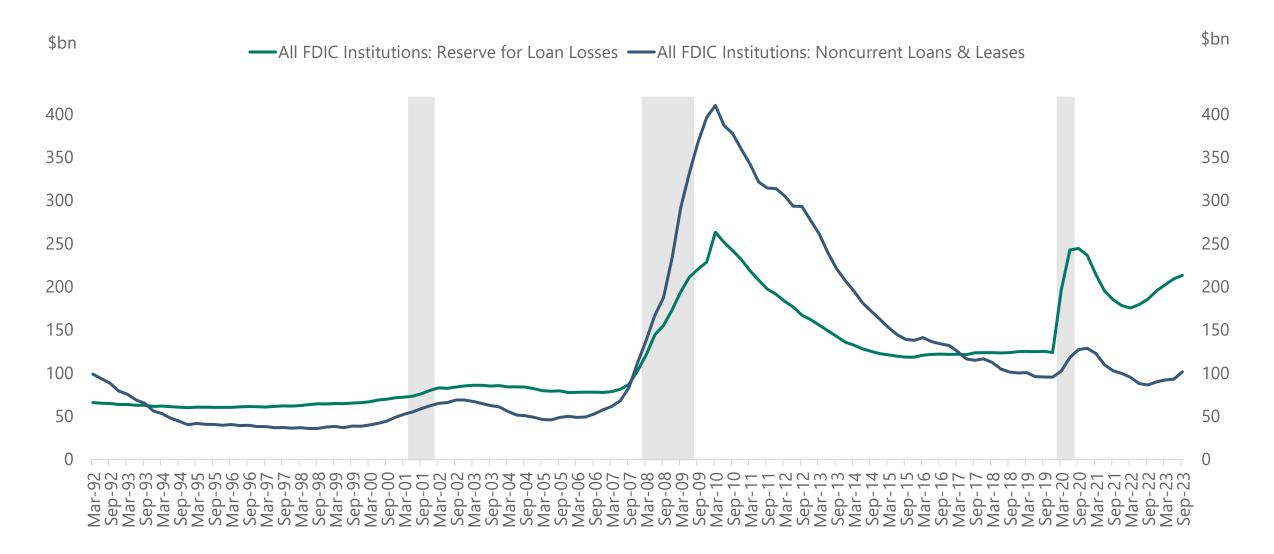
Tier-1 risk-based capital ratio for banks, by size



Tier 1 risk-based capital ratio for larger banks

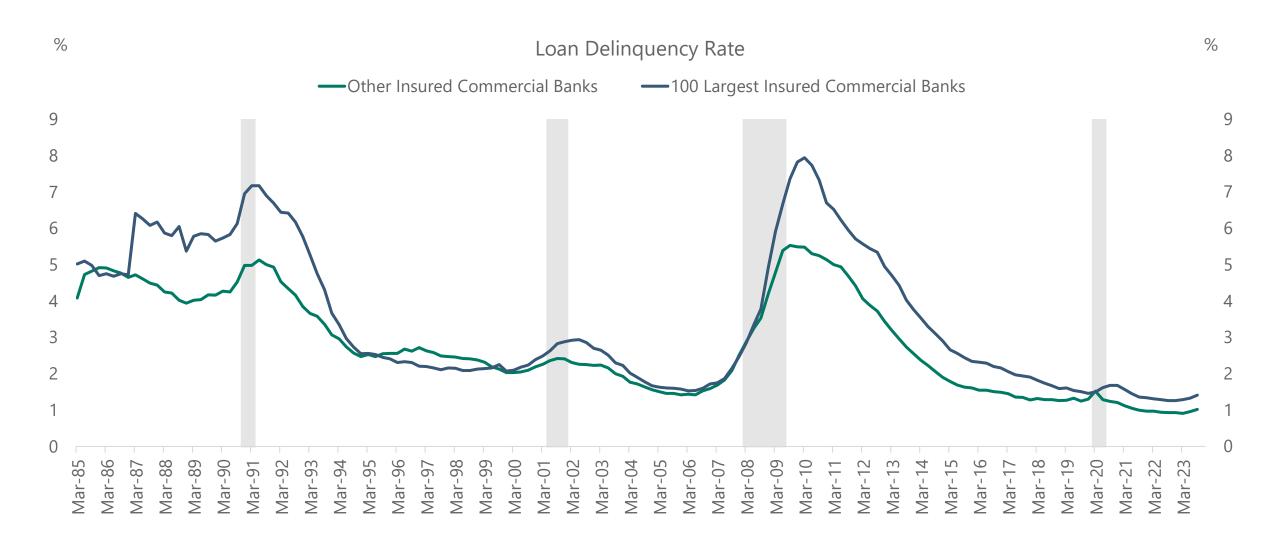


Reserves for loan losses



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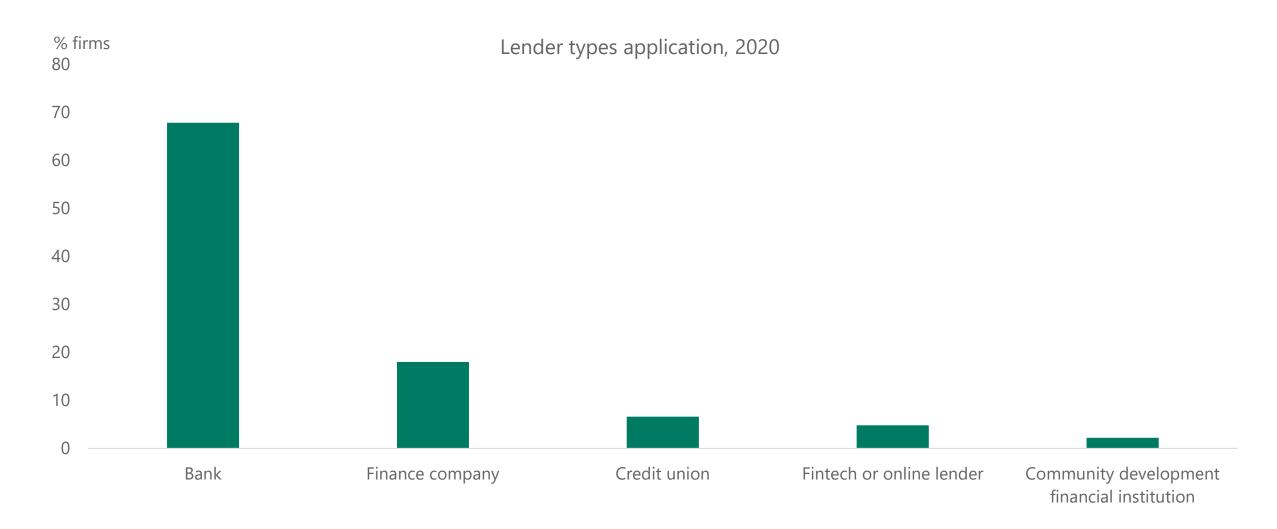
Loan delinquency rates for large and small banks



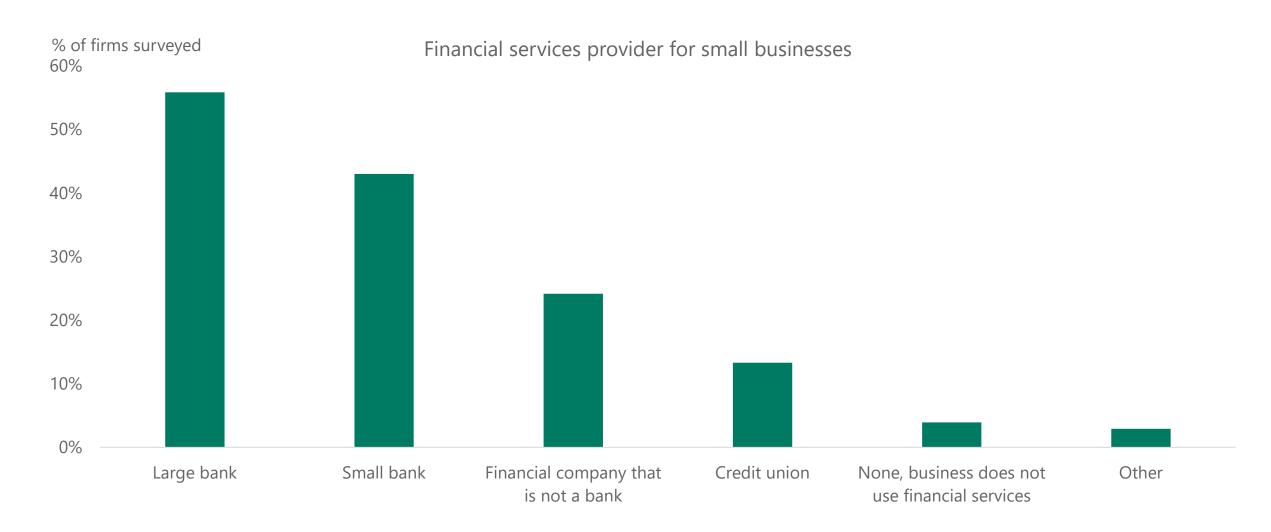
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Sources of financing for small businesses

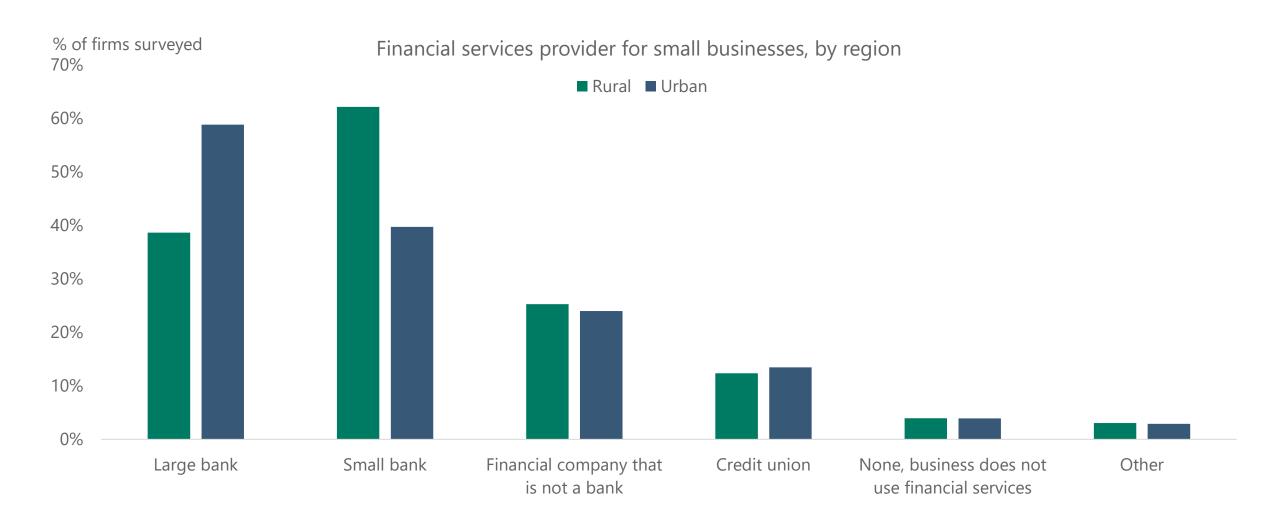
Banks are the most important source of financing for small businesses



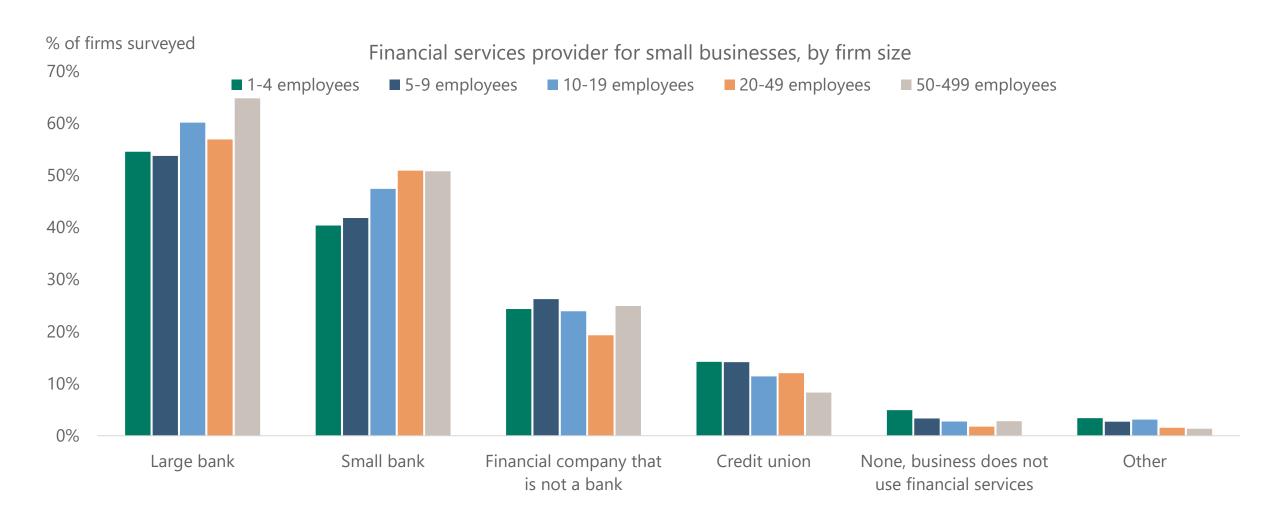
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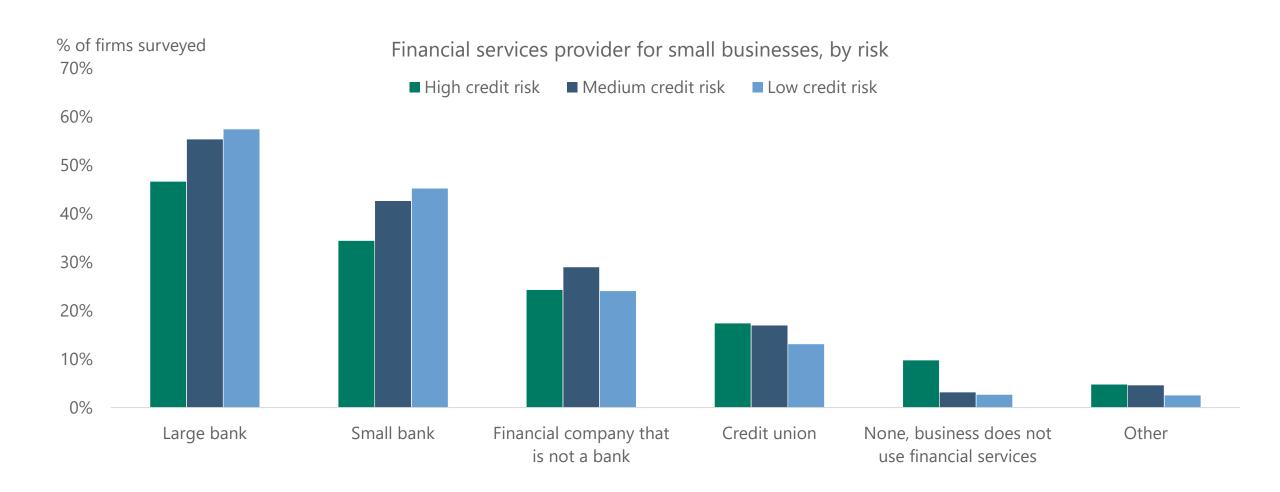
Small banks provide 60% of lending for small businesses in rural areas and 40% in urban areas



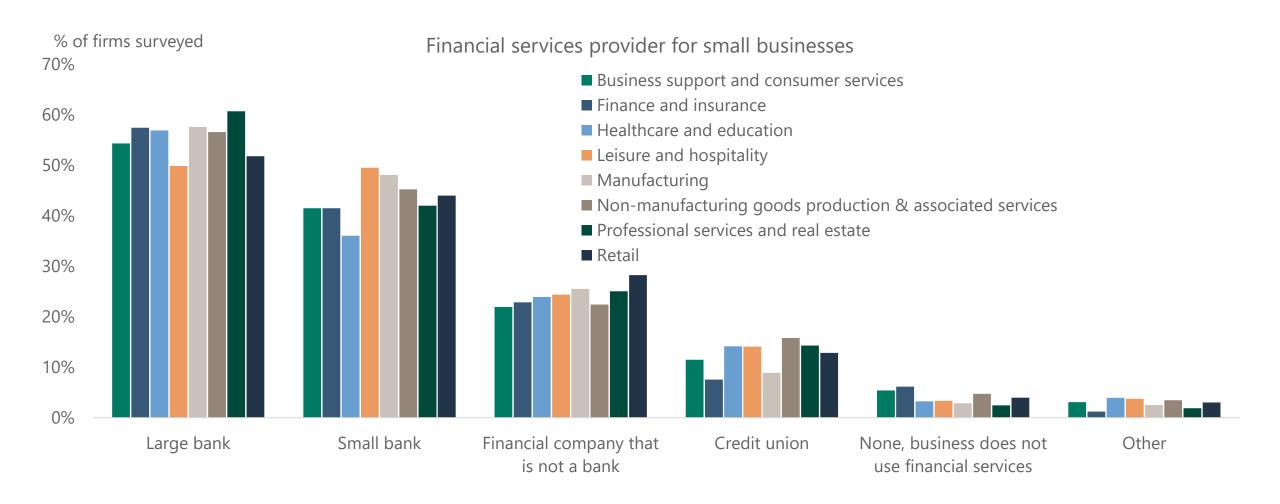
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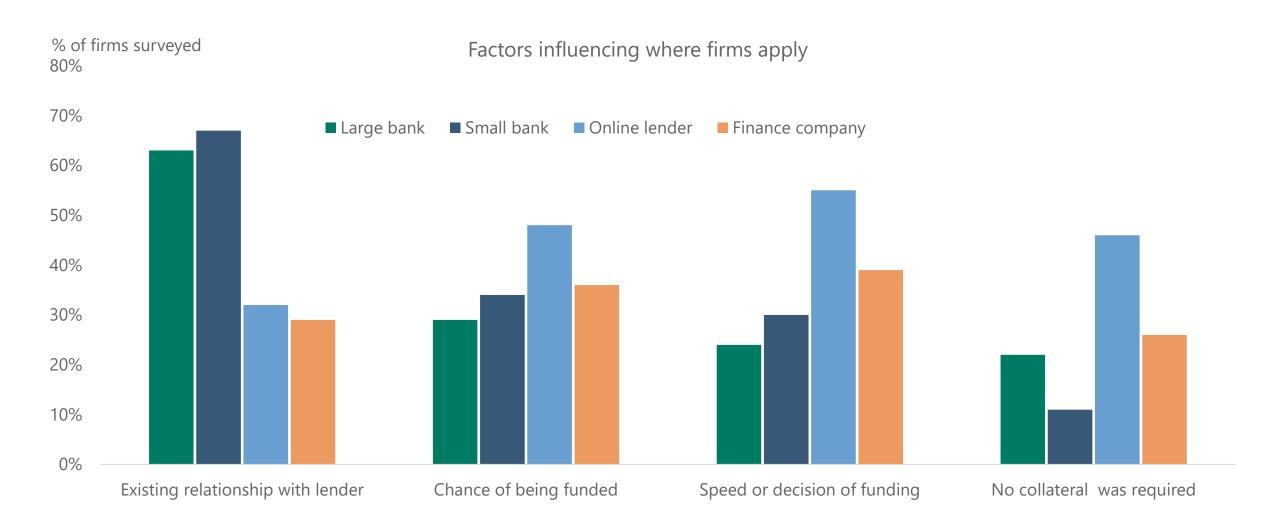
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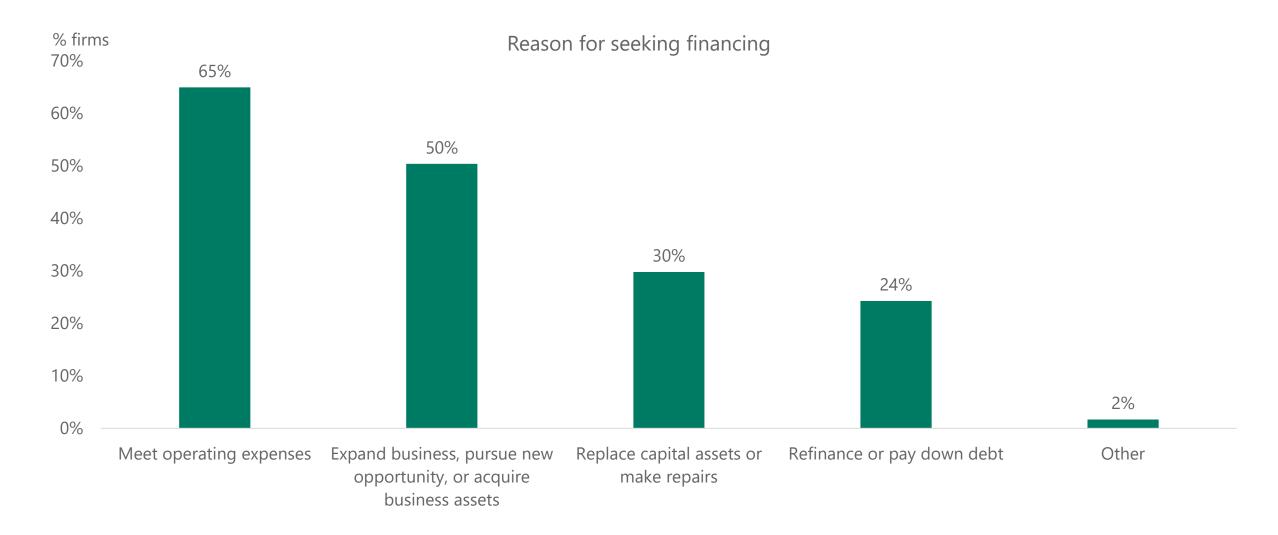
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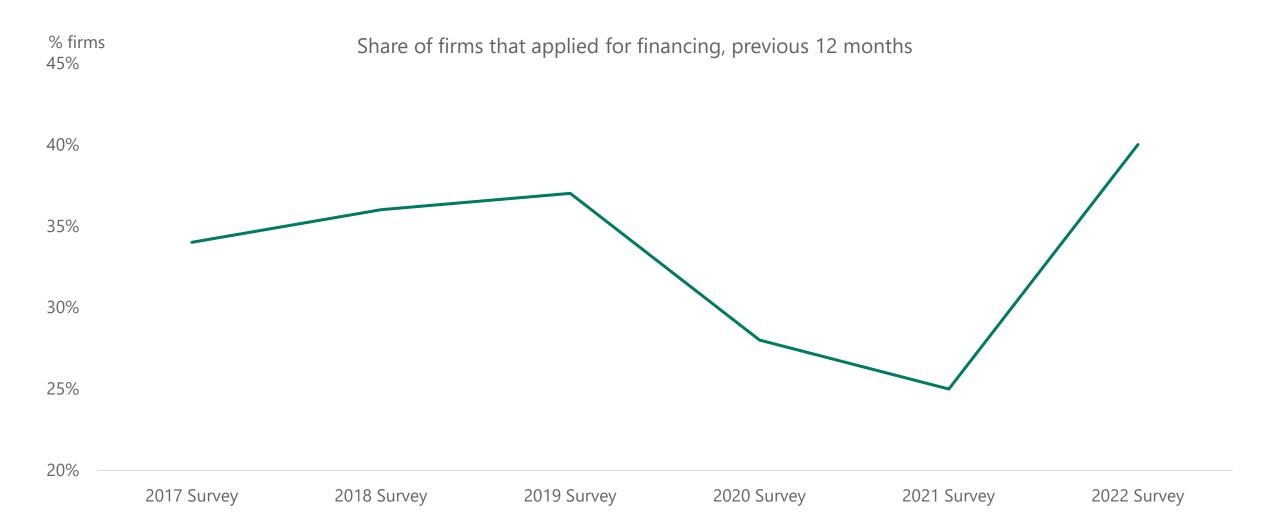
Factors influencing where small businesses apply for a loan. Relationship is important for small bank lending



Purpose of seeking financing for small businesses



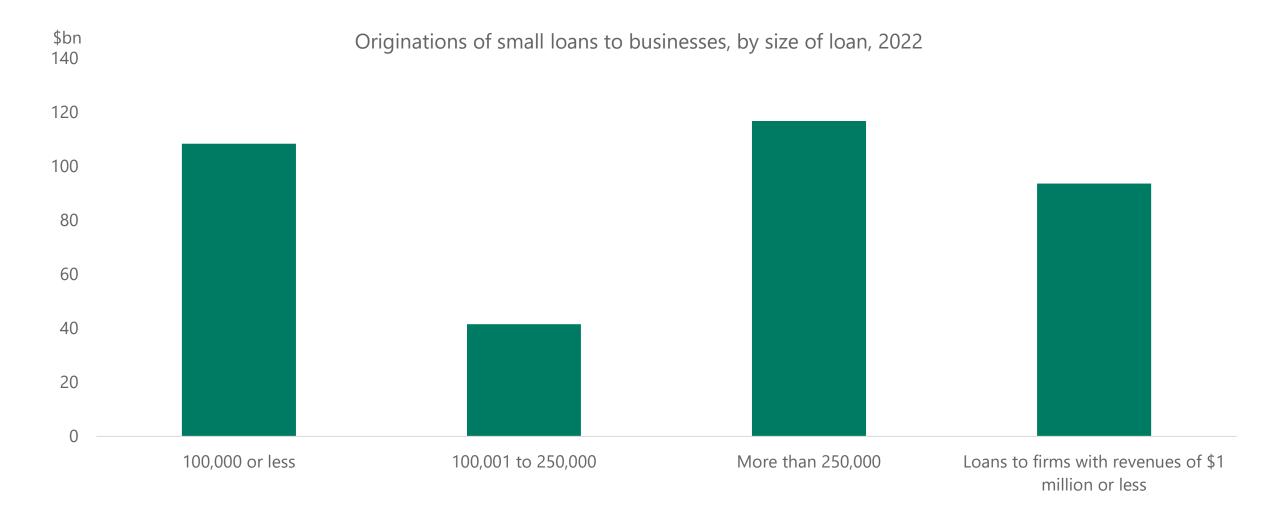
Share of small firms applying for financing in the past 12 months



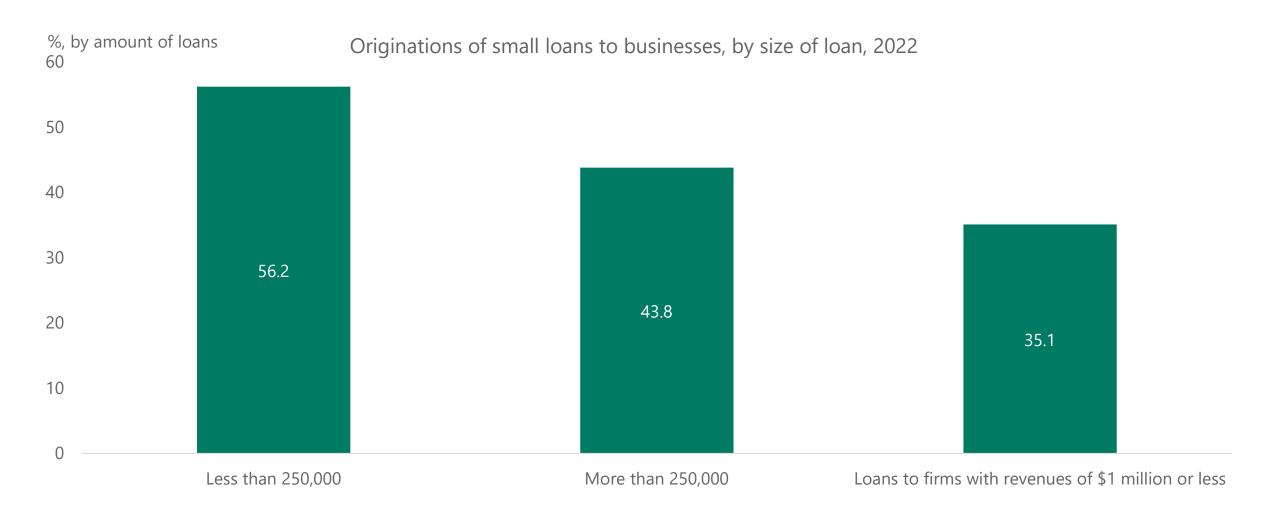
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Small business loans

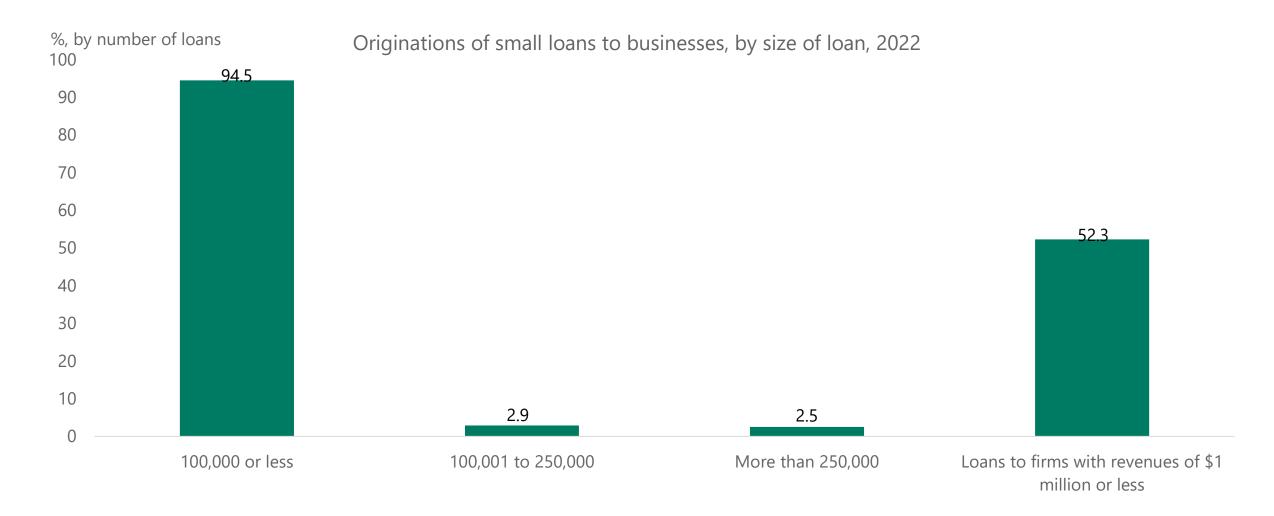
Size of small loans to businesses



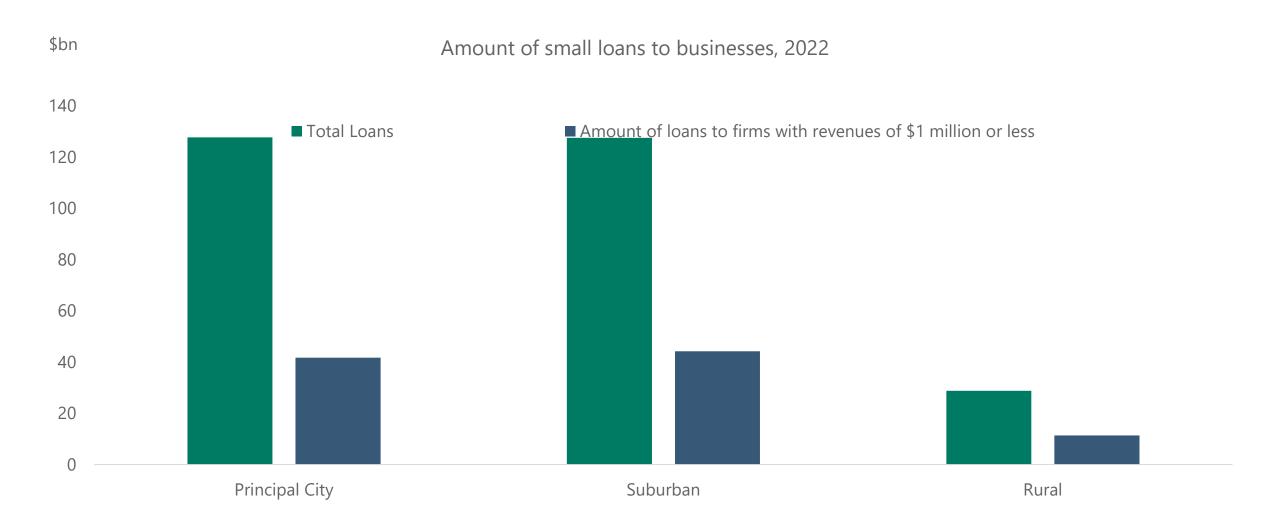
Share of loans to small businesses, by loan size



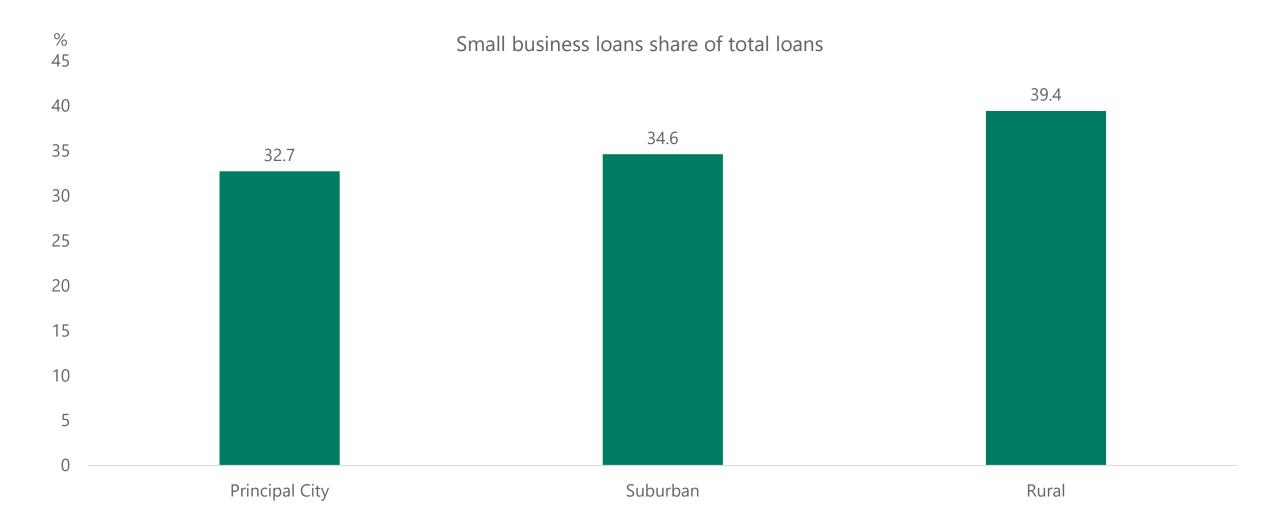
92% of all loans to small businesses in the US are less than \$100,000



Total loans vs loans to small businesses by neighborhood characteristic



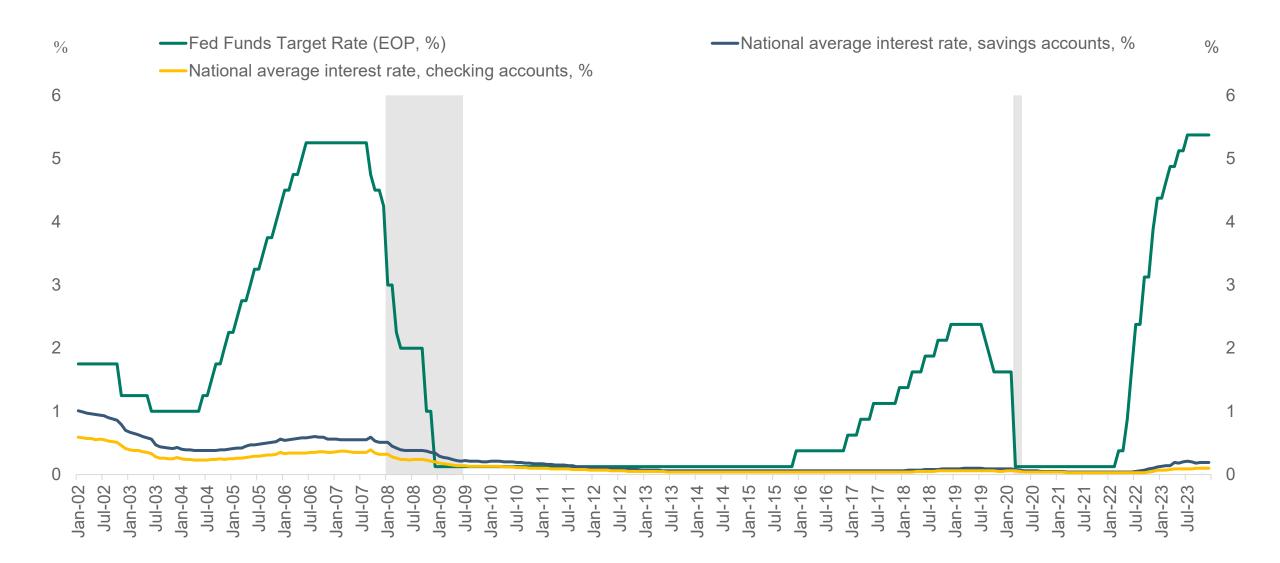
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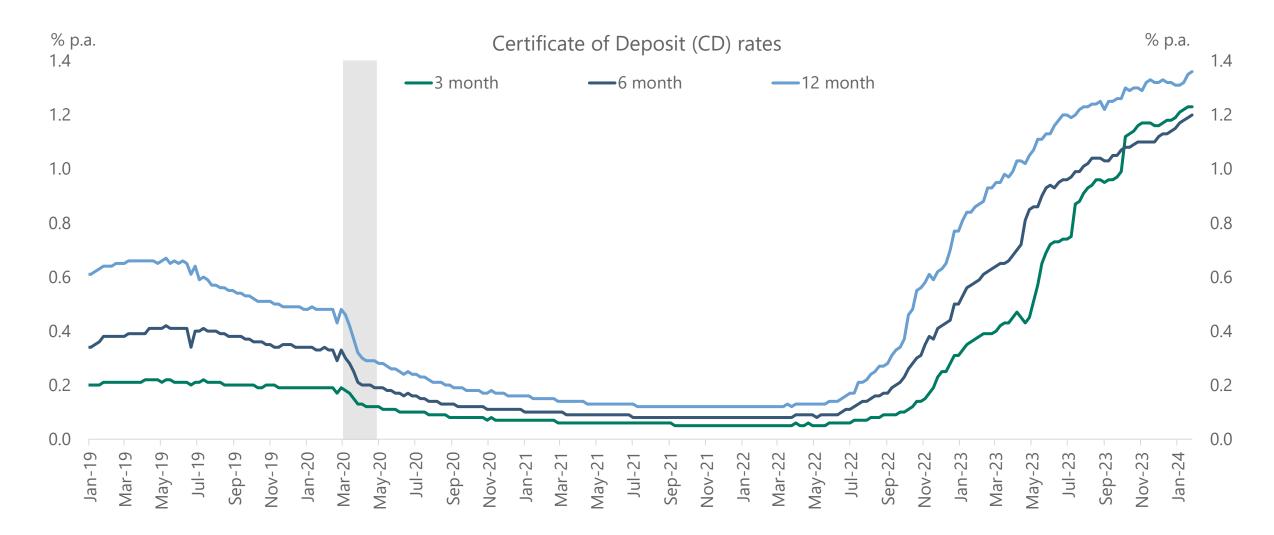
Fed funds rate versus national average interest rate on checking accounts and CDs

Interest rate on checking accounts versus the Fed funds rate



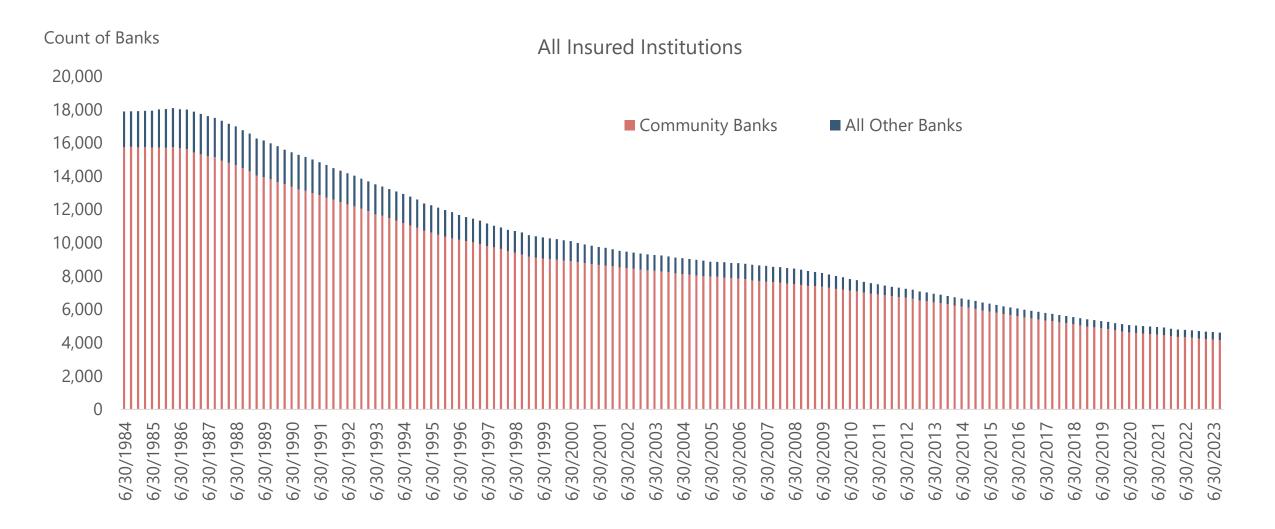
Source: FRB, RateWatch, Haver Analytics, Apollo Chief Economist.

CD rates have slowly increased as the Fed has raised interest rates



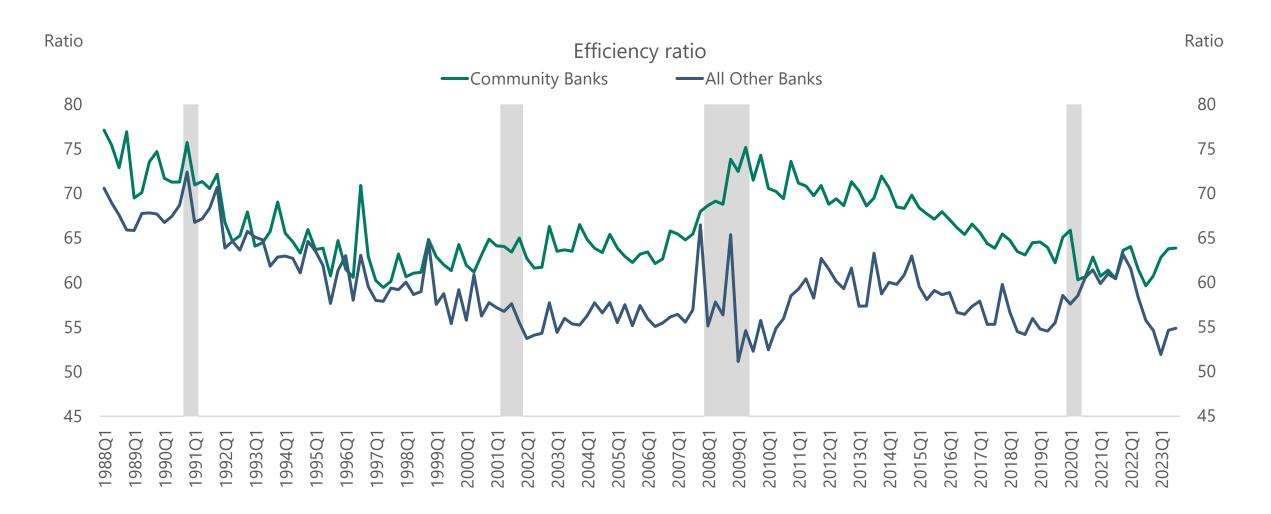
Community banks

90% of all banks in the US are community banks

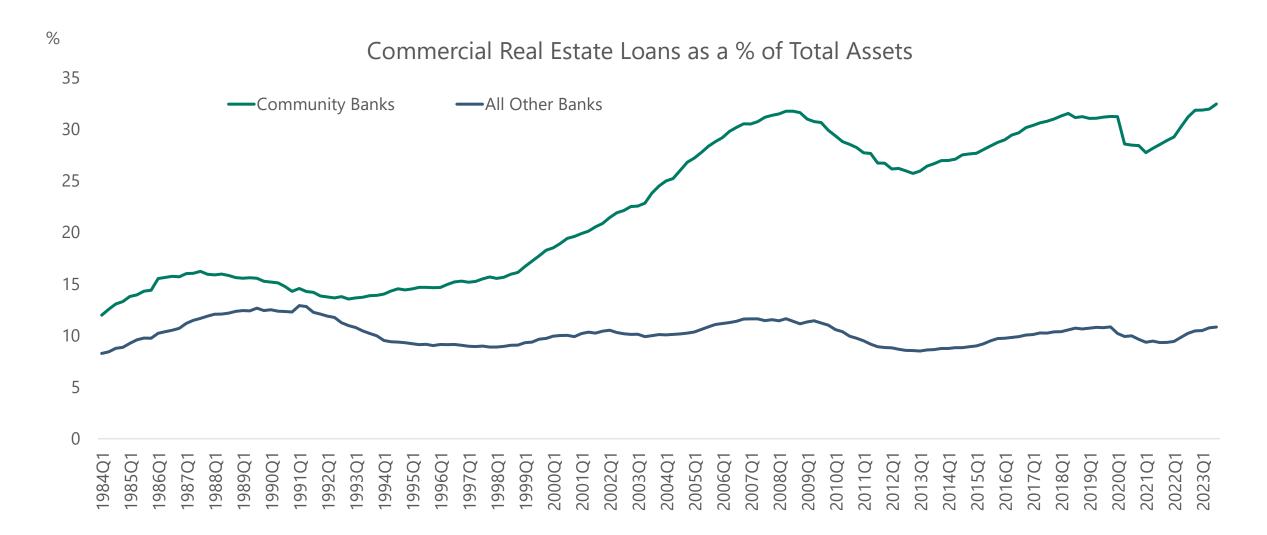


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The average efficiency ratio for community banks is around 64% compared with 55% for noncommunity banks.

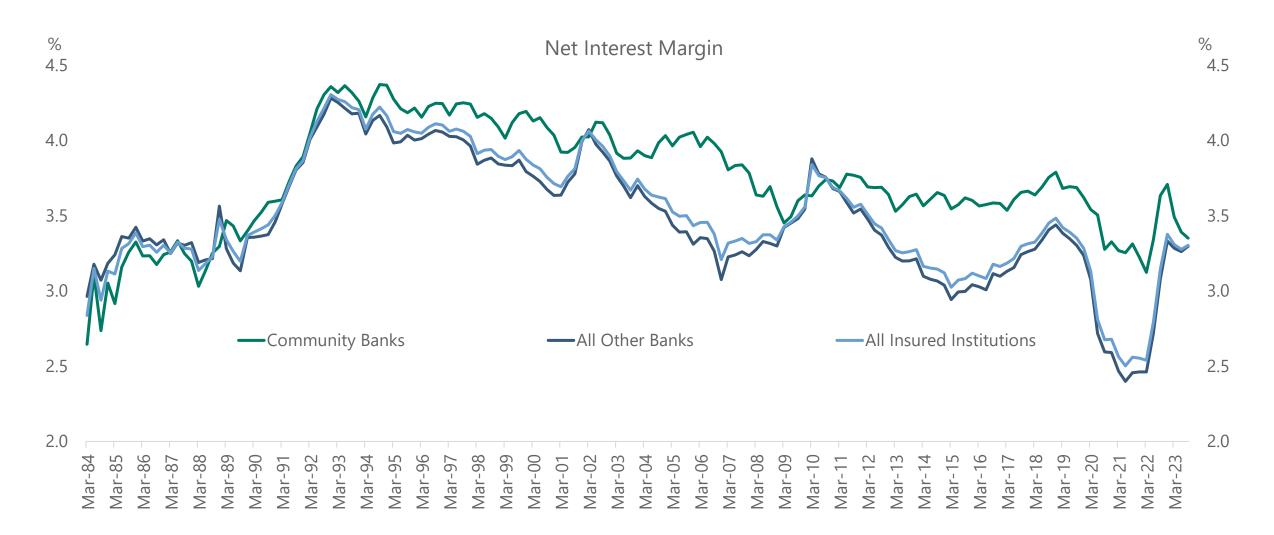


CRE loans make up a significant share of community banks' assets



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Net interest margin higher for community banks

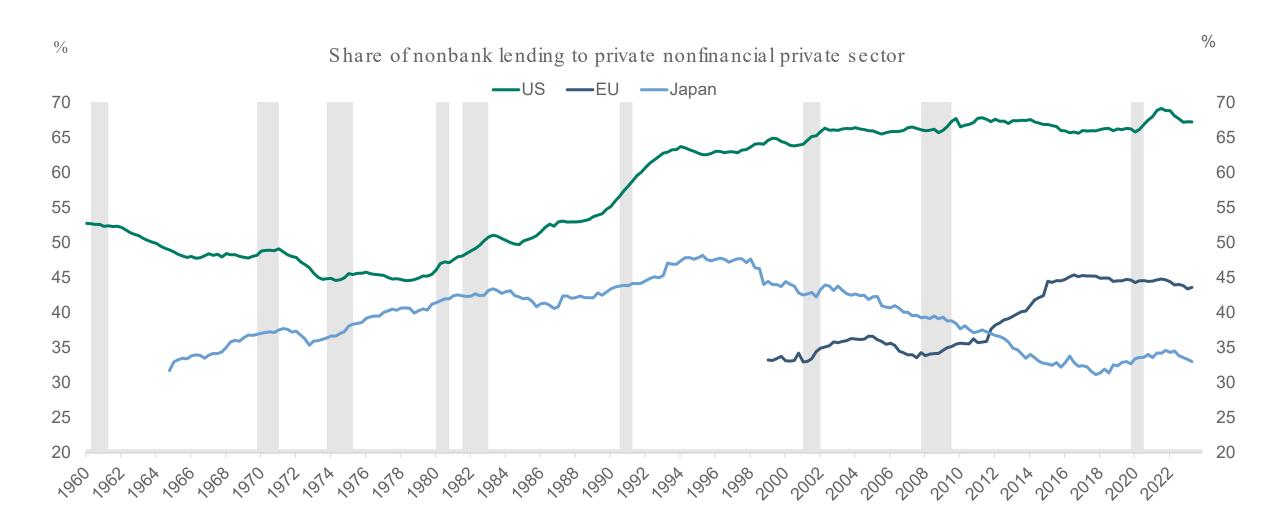


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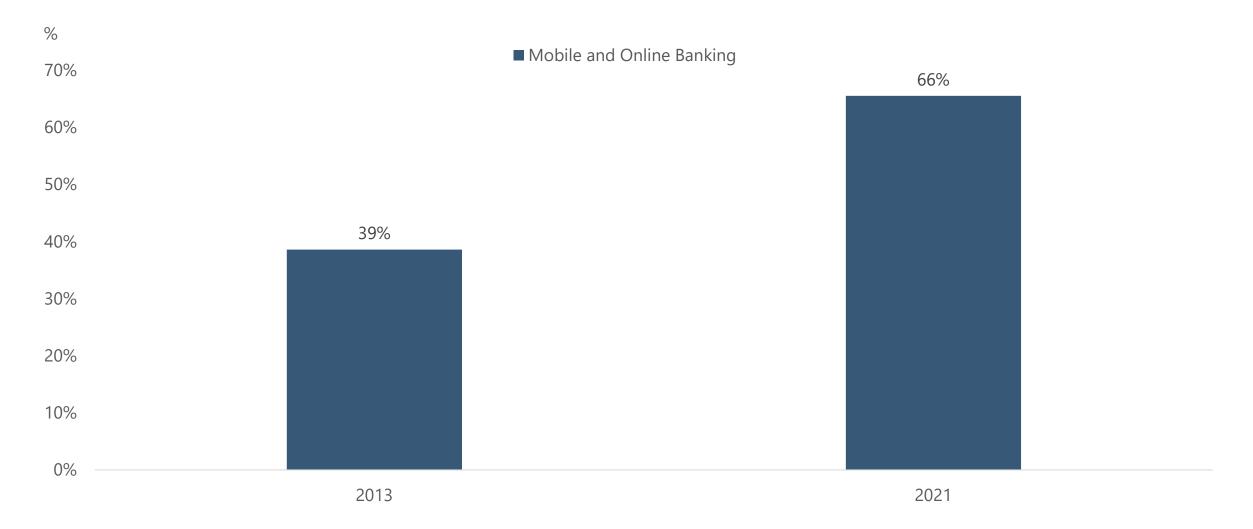
Other banking sector indicators

The US is a market-based financial system. EU and Japan are bank-based.

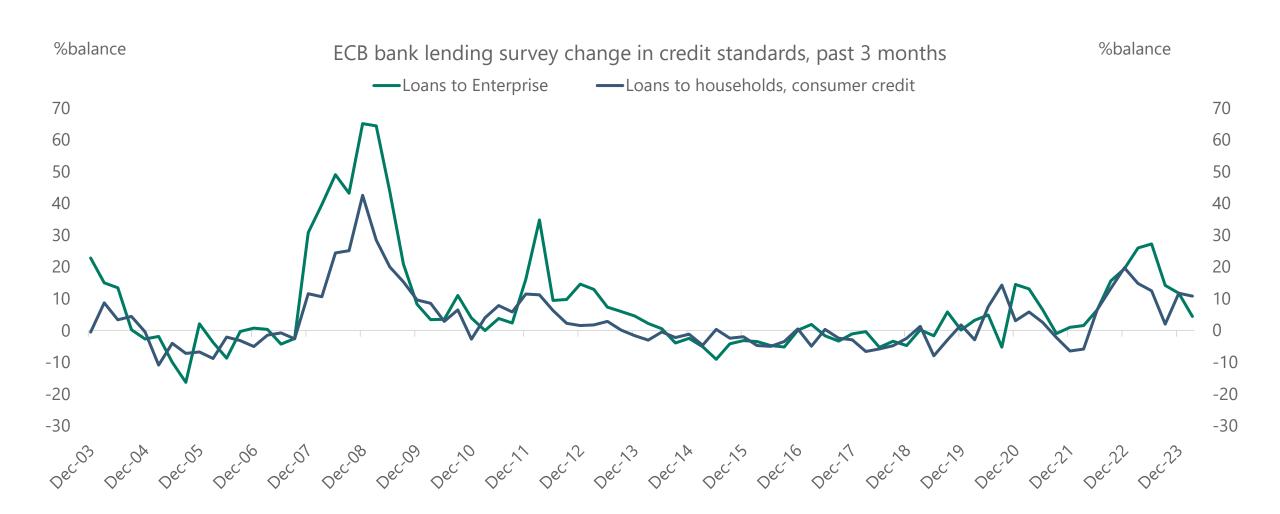


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Primary method of bank account access: More and more households use mobile and online banking

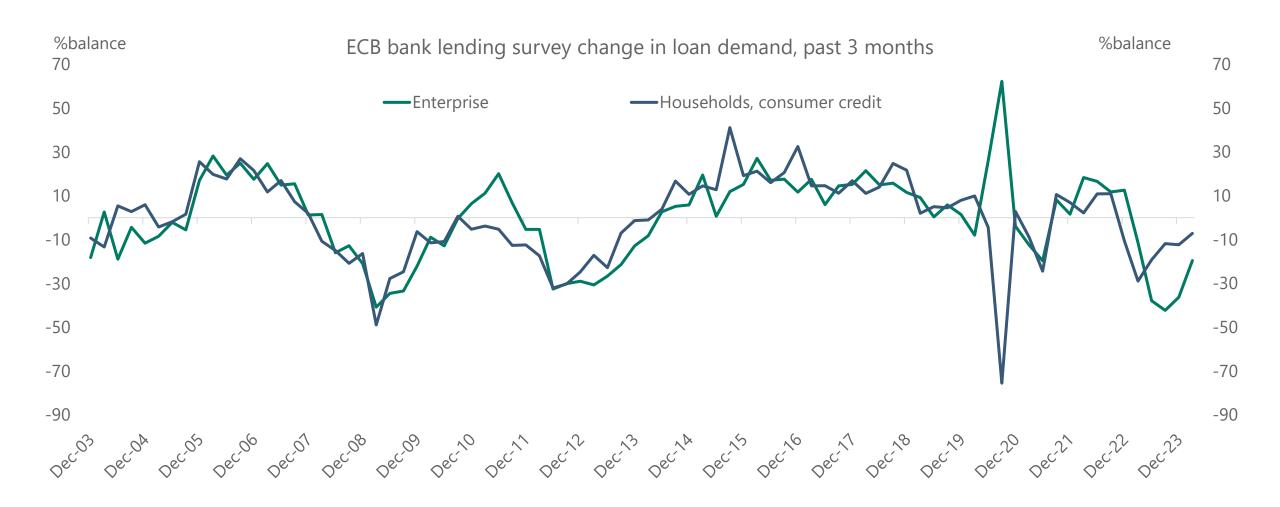


Euro Area credit conditions



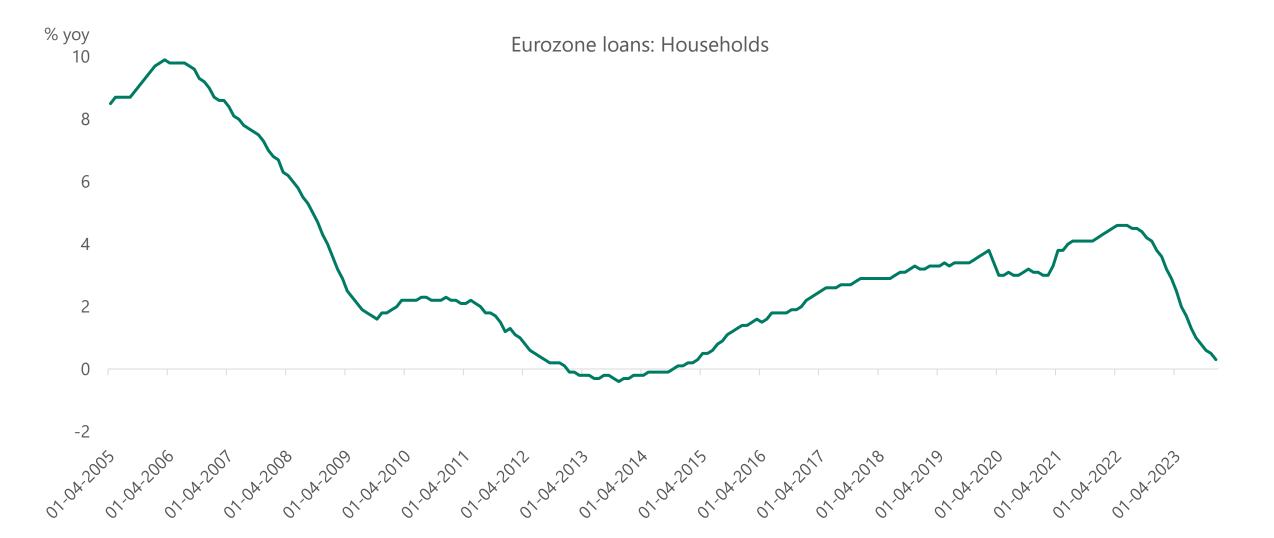
Source: ECB Bank Lending Survey, Bloomberg, Apollo Chief Economist

Euro Area loan demand falling



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Euro Area loan growth to households is slowing



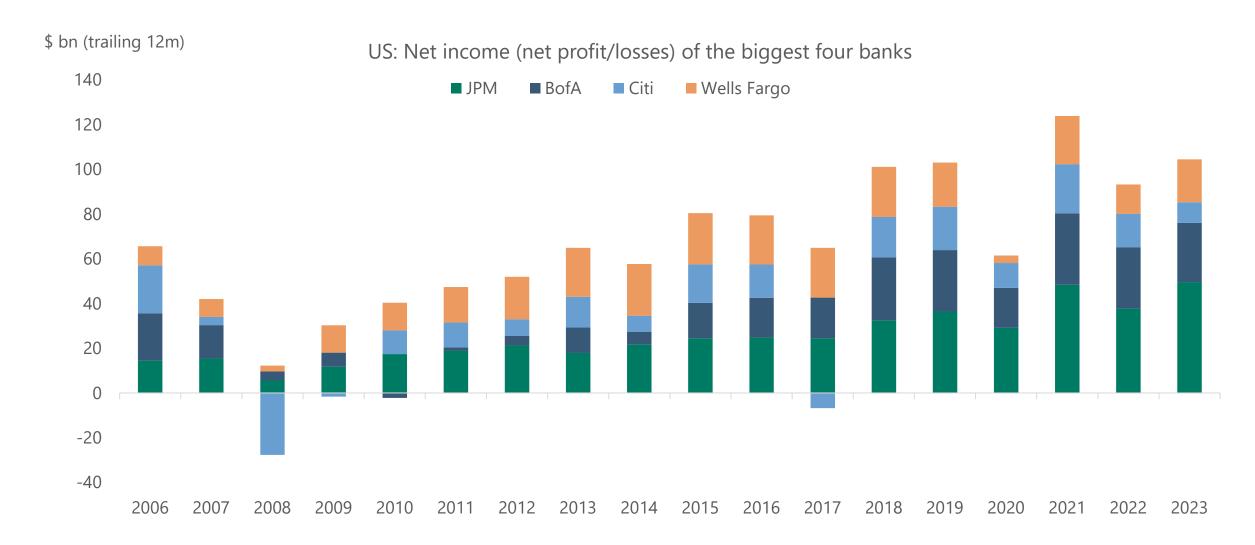
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Euro Area loan growth to businesses



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The biggest US bank made \$49.6bn for the year



Source: Bloomberg, Apollo Chief Economist



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