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Daily and weekly indicators for the US economy

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What are daily and weekly indicators telling us about the US economy?

Daily data:

Restaurant bookings: Strong

TSA air travel data: Strong

Tax withholdings: No signs of a slowdown

Weekly data:

Atlanta Fed GDPNow: 2.4%

Fed's weekly GDP index: 2.3%

Retail sales: Strong

Jobless claims: Declining

Hotel occupancy rate, daily rate, and RevPAR: Strong

Bank lending to firms and consumers: Growing

Bankruptcy filings: Trending lower

Credit and debit card data: Solid

Global jet fuel demand: Strong

Broadway show attendance: Strong

Box office weekly grosses: Strong

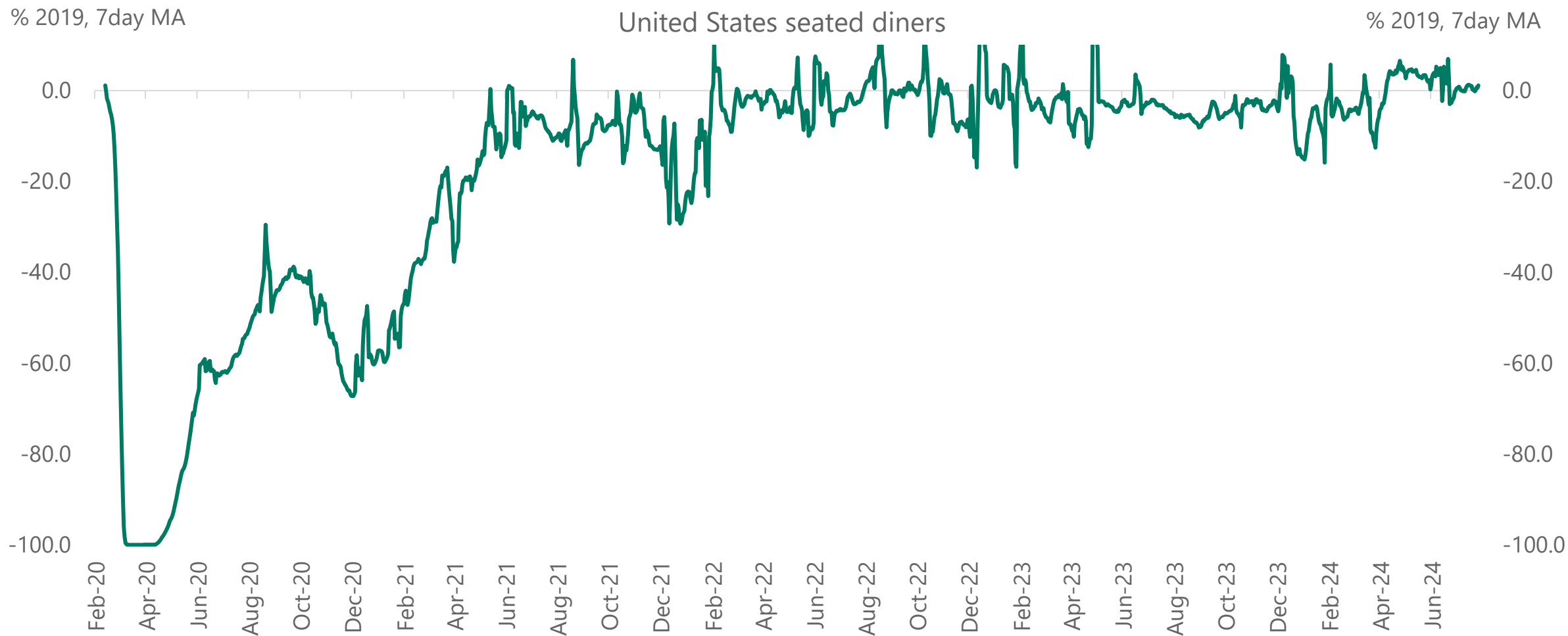
S&P 500 forward profit margins: Near record highs

Business formation: Slightly weaker

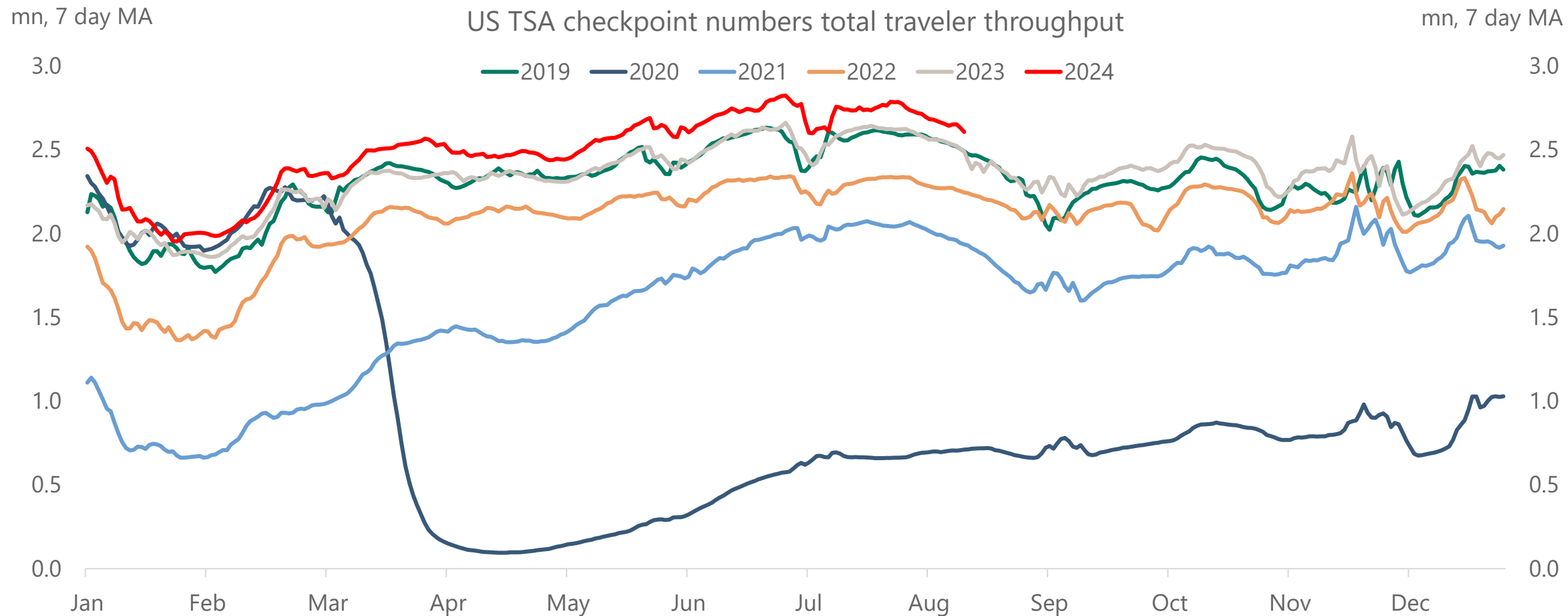
ASA temp worker staffing index: Trending lower

Daily data

Daily data for restaurant bookings



Daily data for US air travel

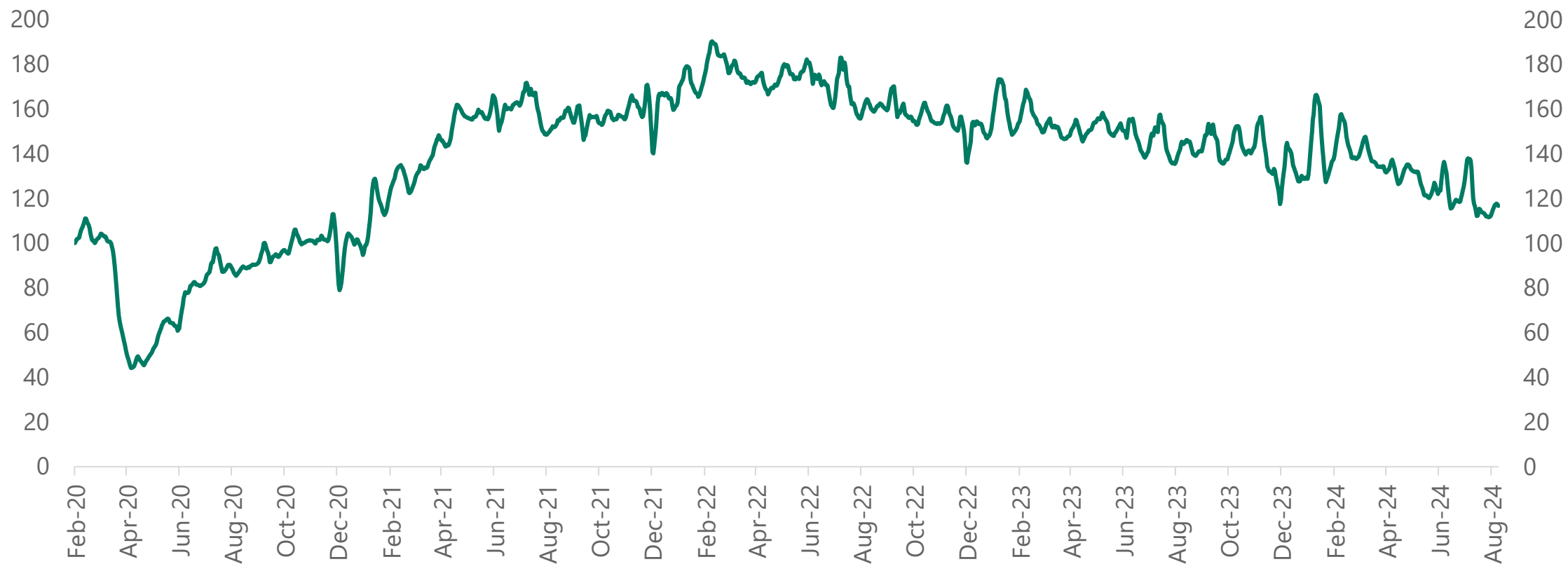


Daily jobs postings

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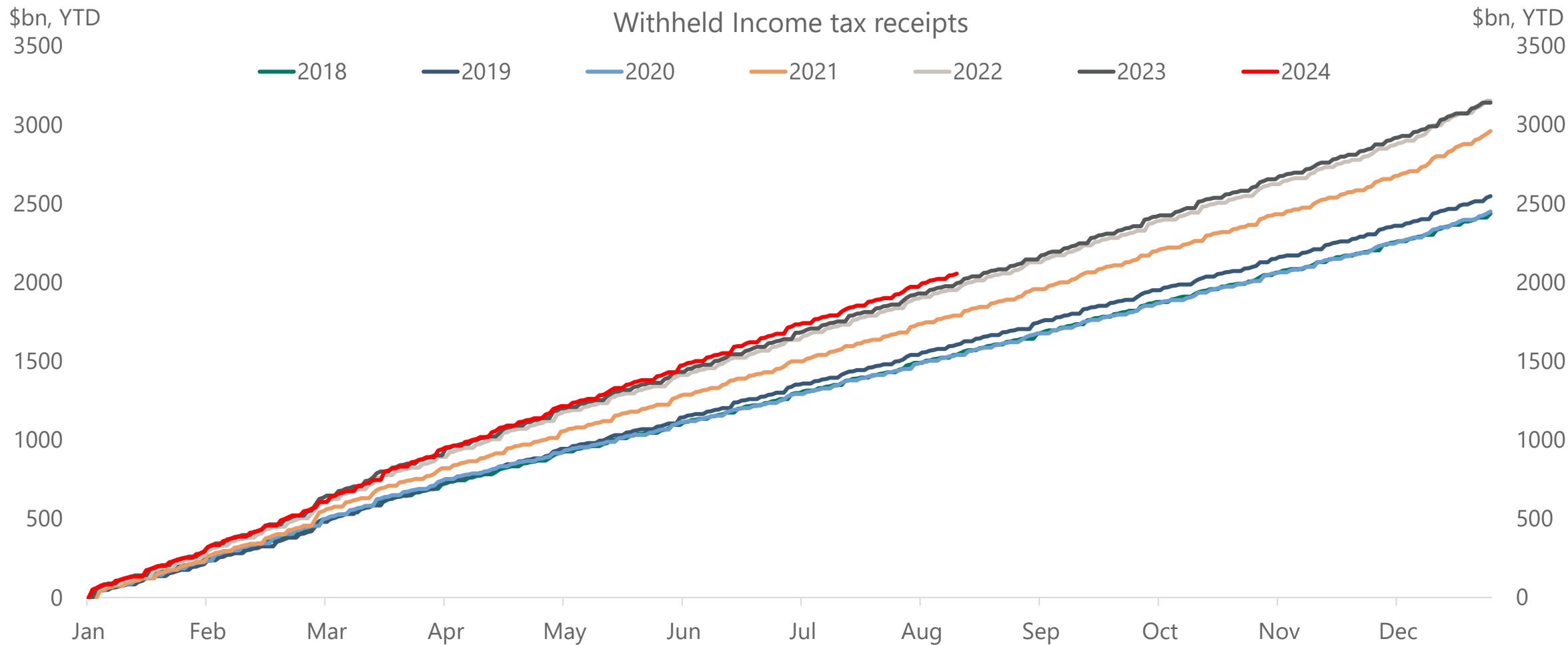
— New job postings on Indeed in the United States

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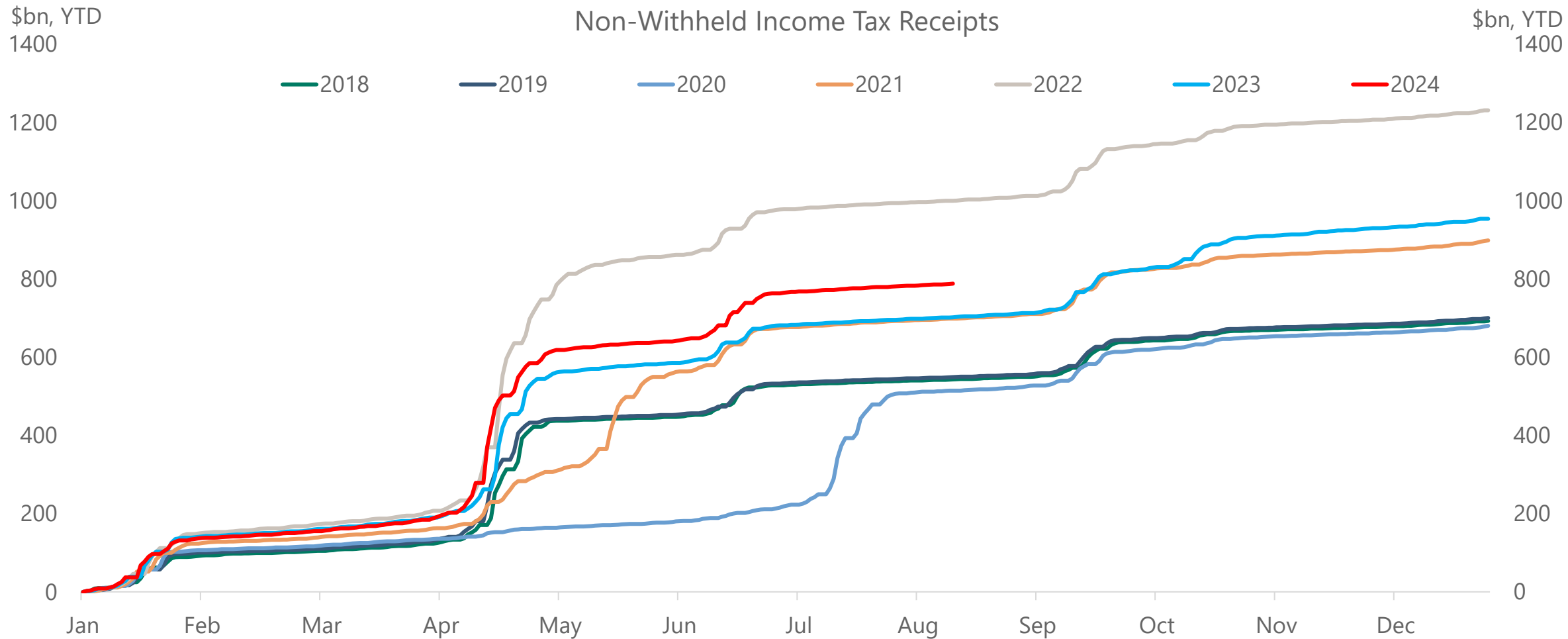


Source: Indeed, Bloomberg, Apollo Chief Economist. Note: The data is seasonally adjusted

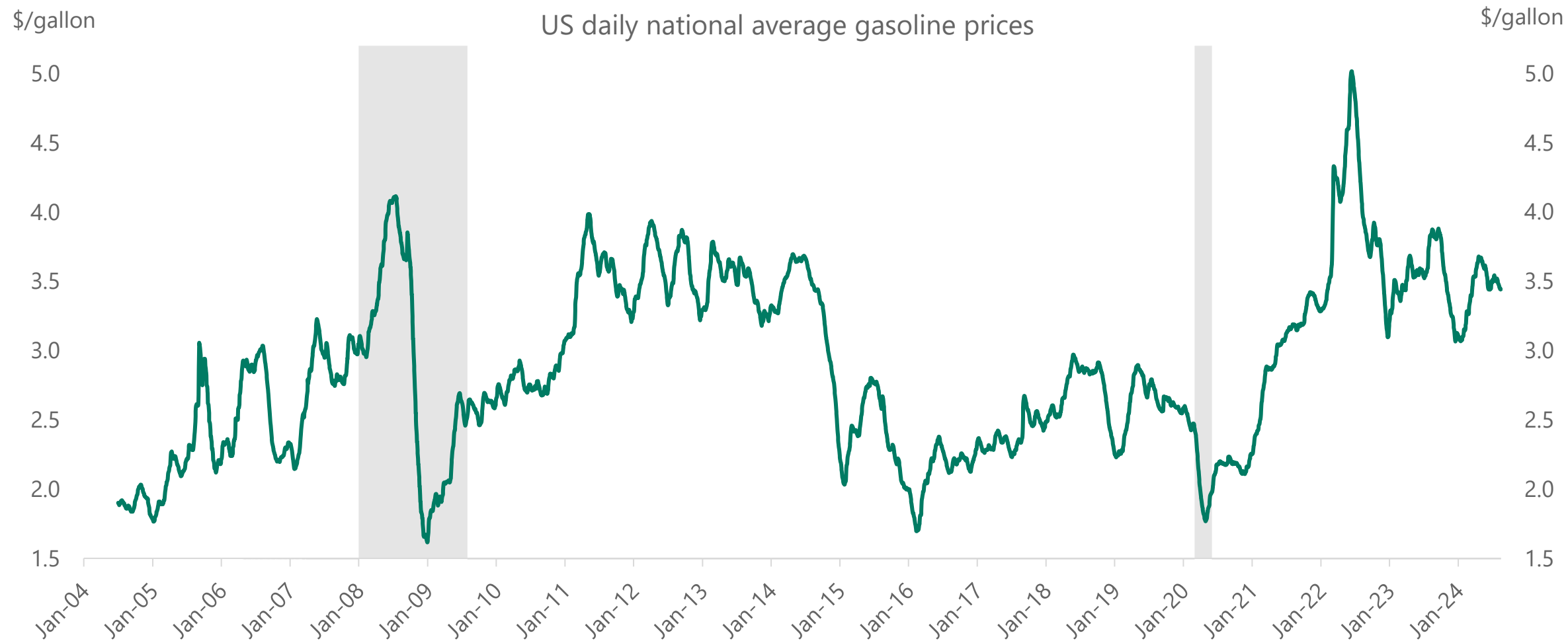
Daily withheld income tax receipts



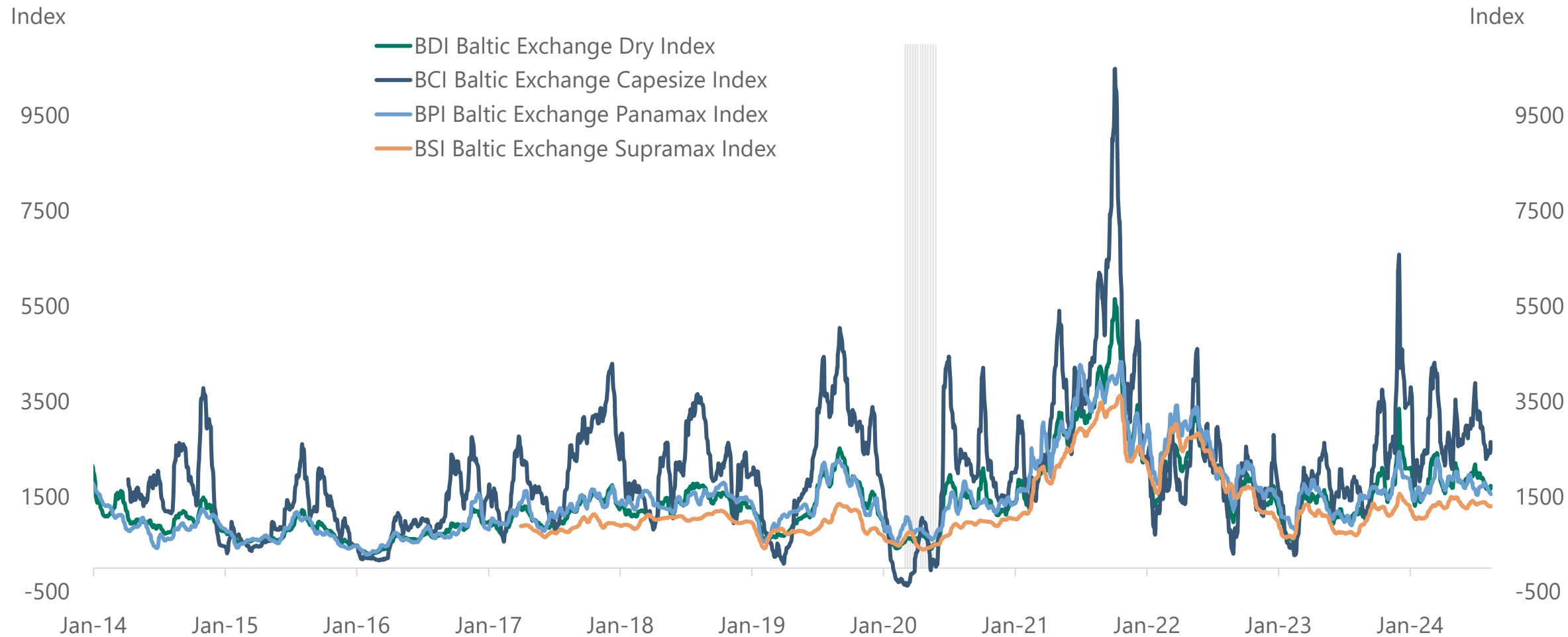
Daily non-withheld income tax receipts



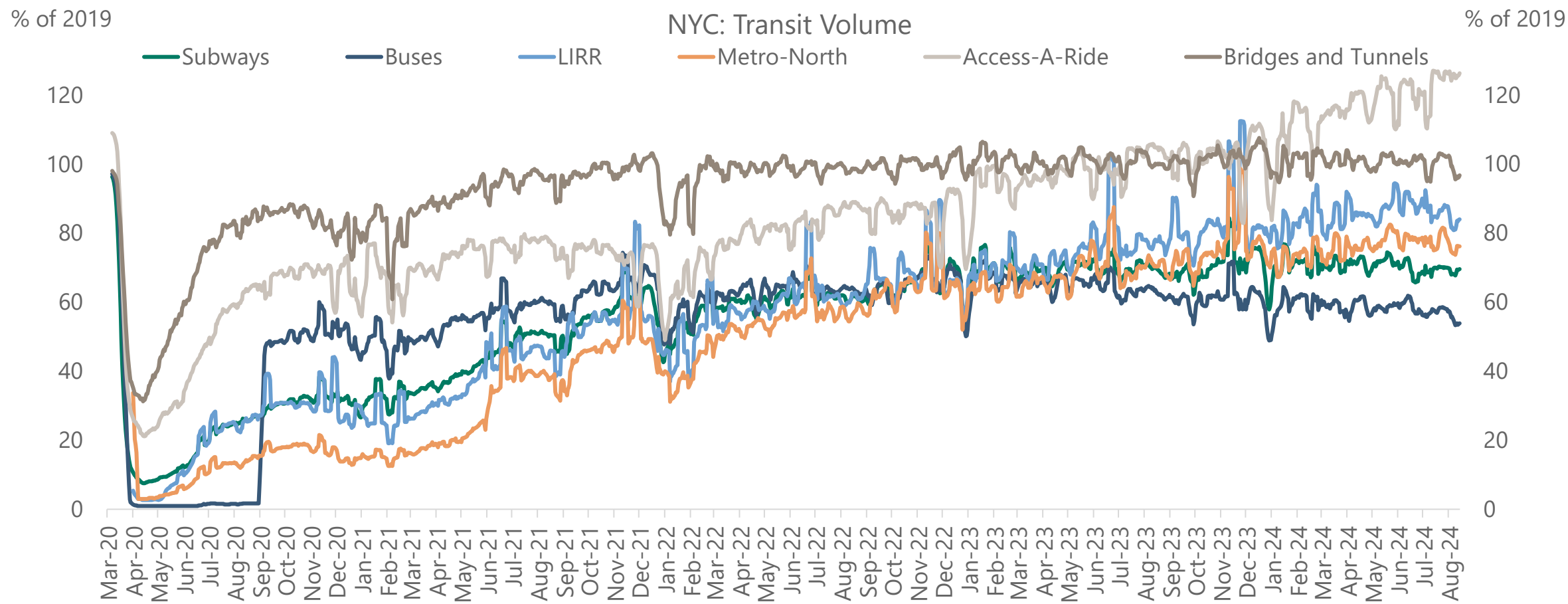
Daily gasoline prices



Daily Baltic Exchange indexes

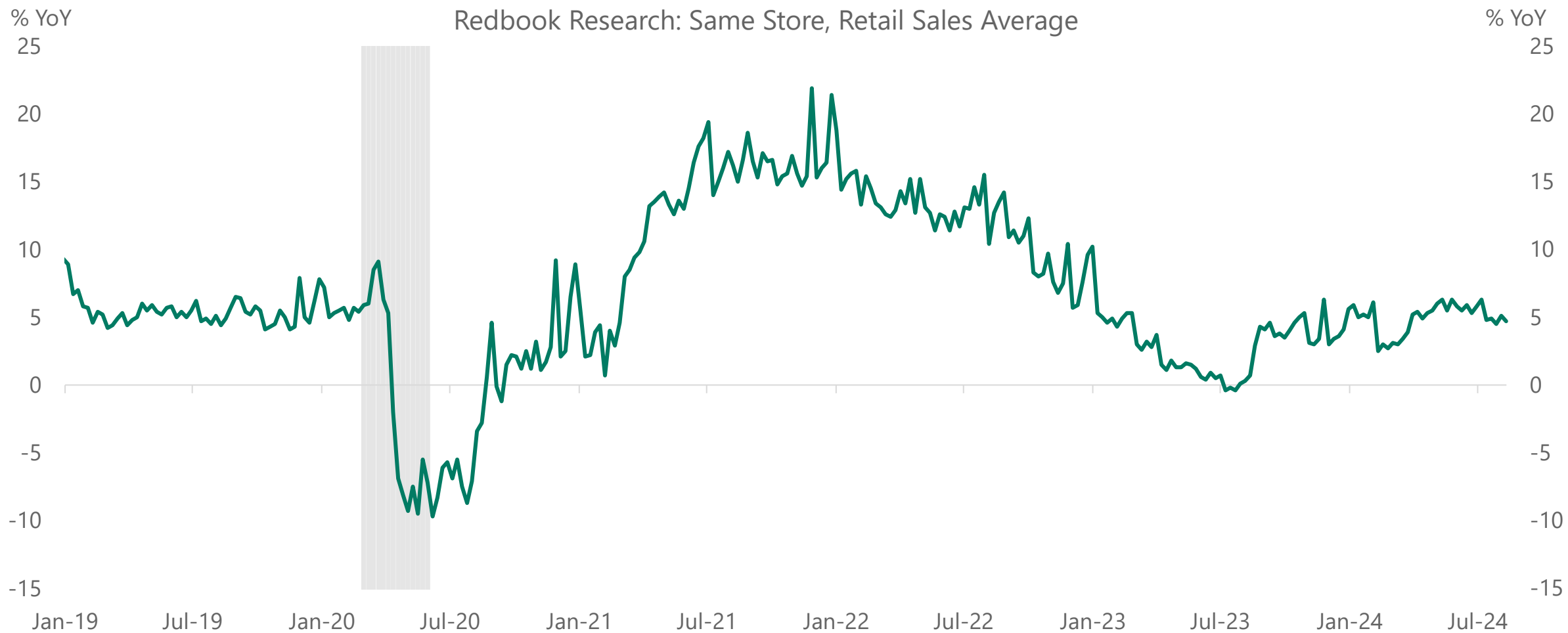


Daily NYC mobility indicators

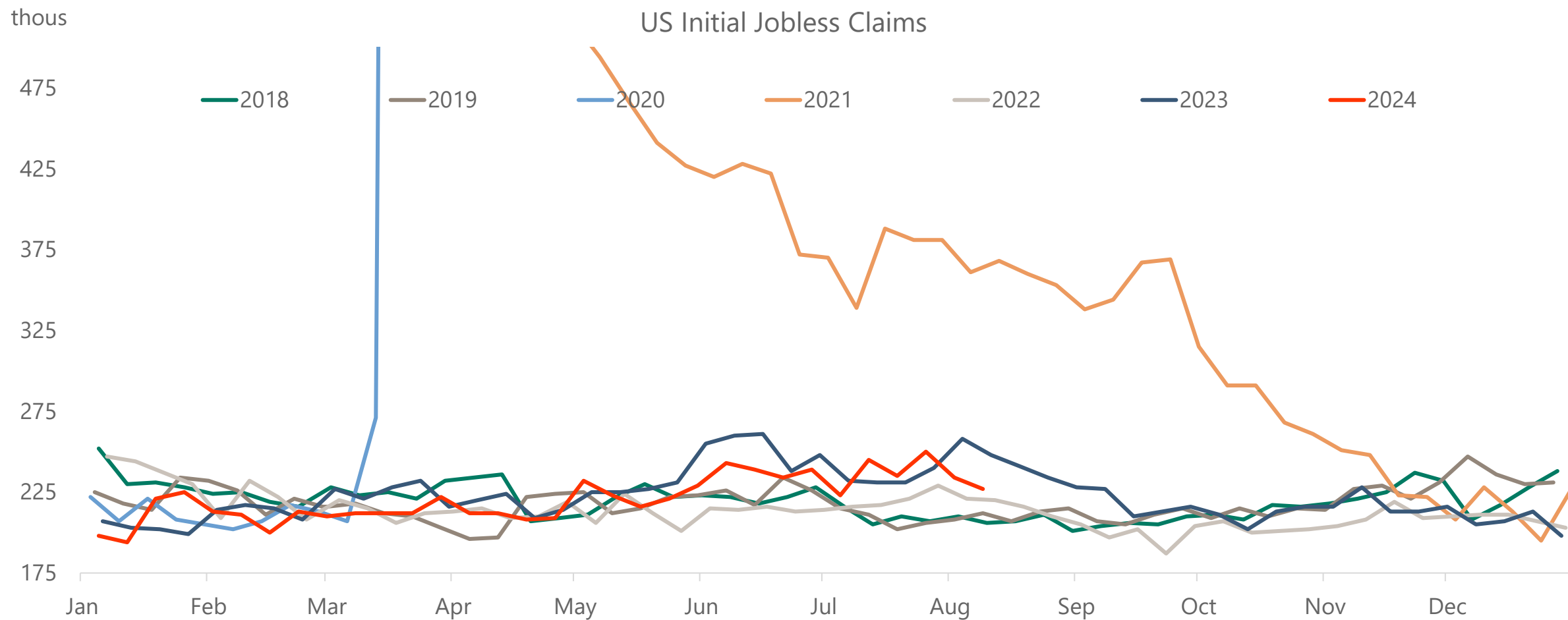


Weekly data

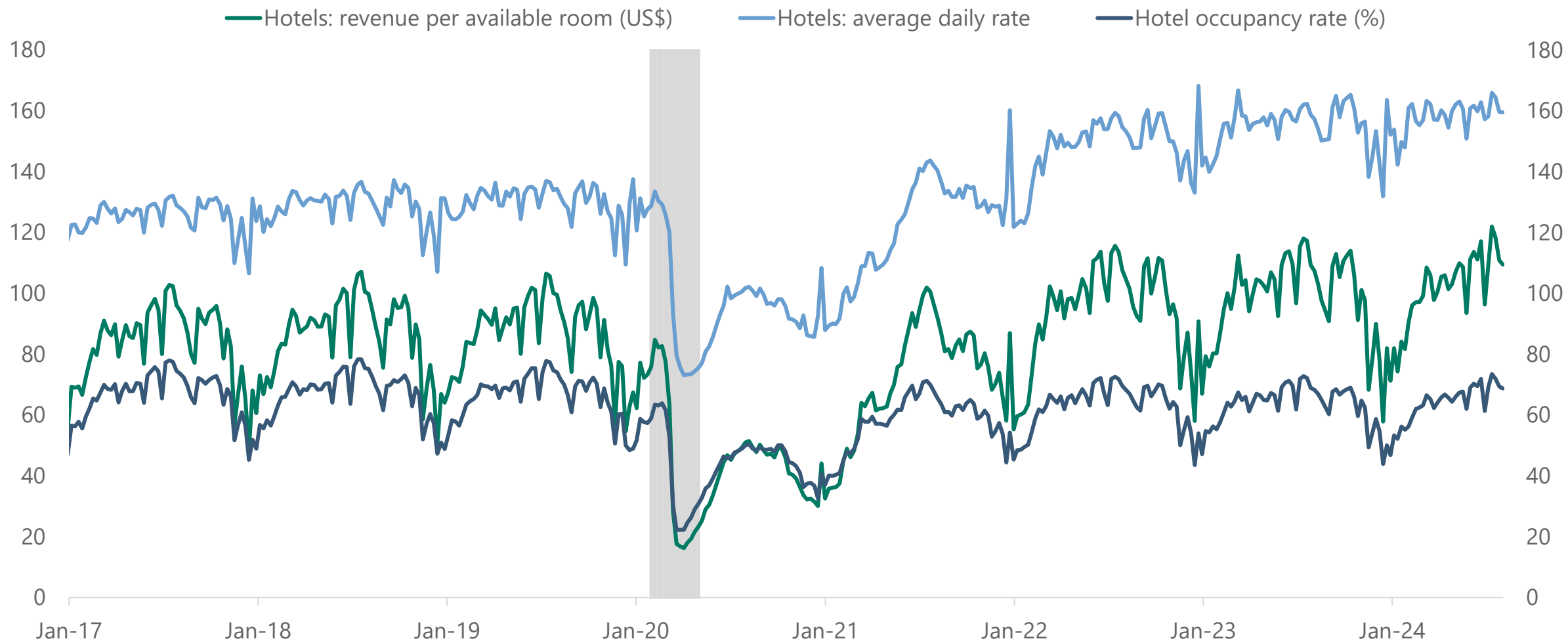
Weekly data for same-store retail sales



Weekly initial jobless claims



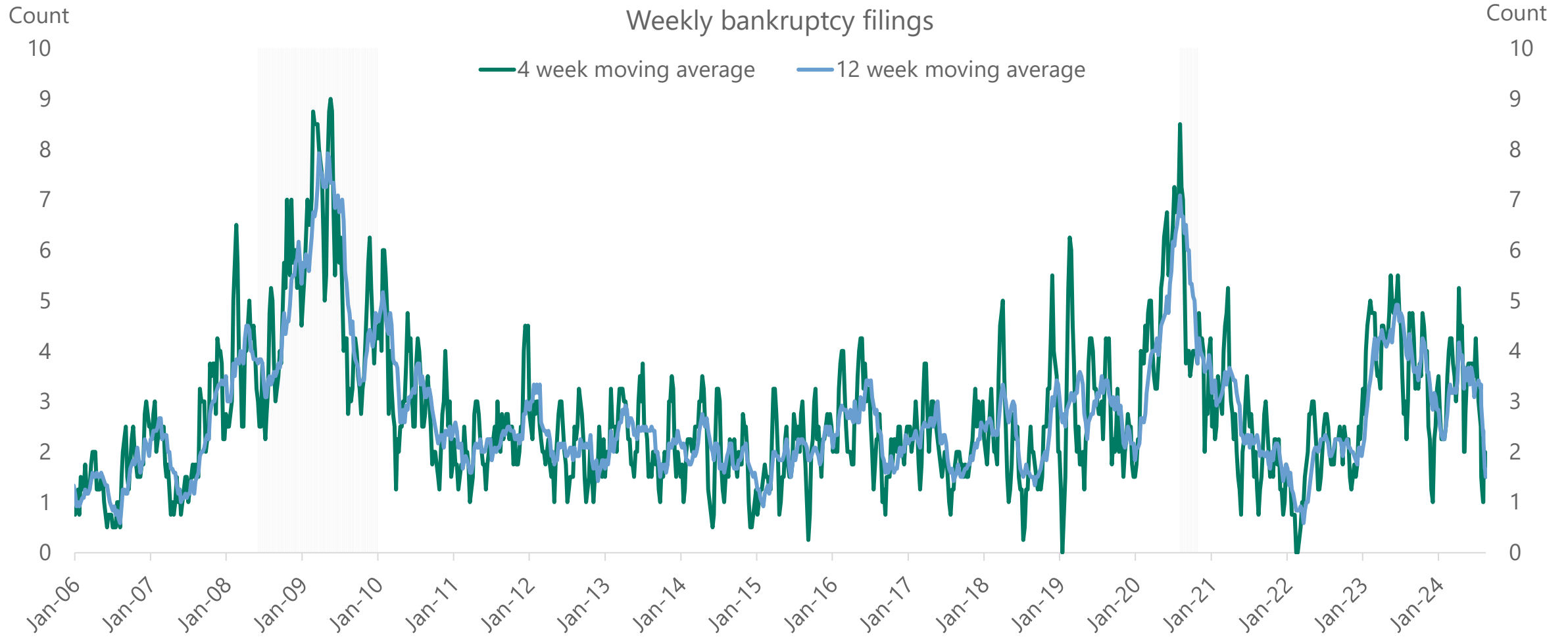
Weekly data for hotel demand



Weekly loan growth for banks

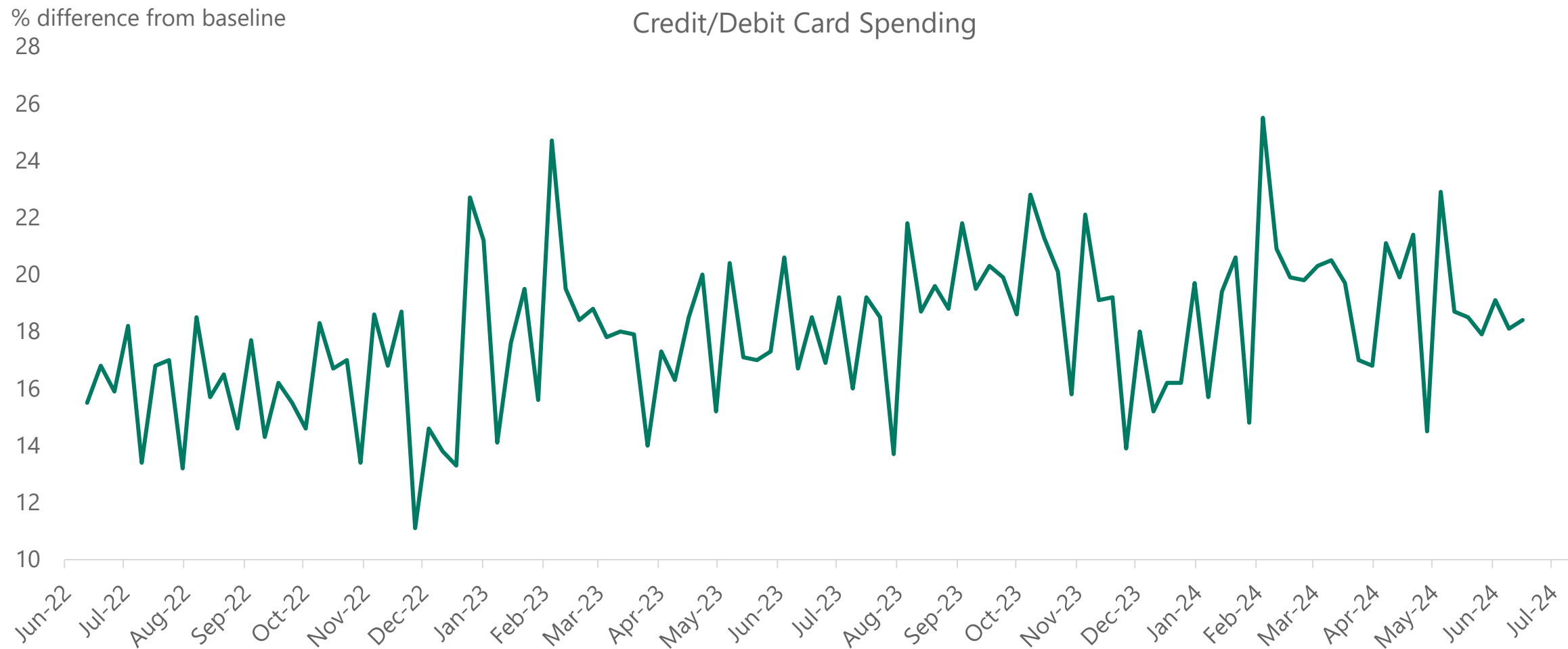


Weekly bankruptcy filings



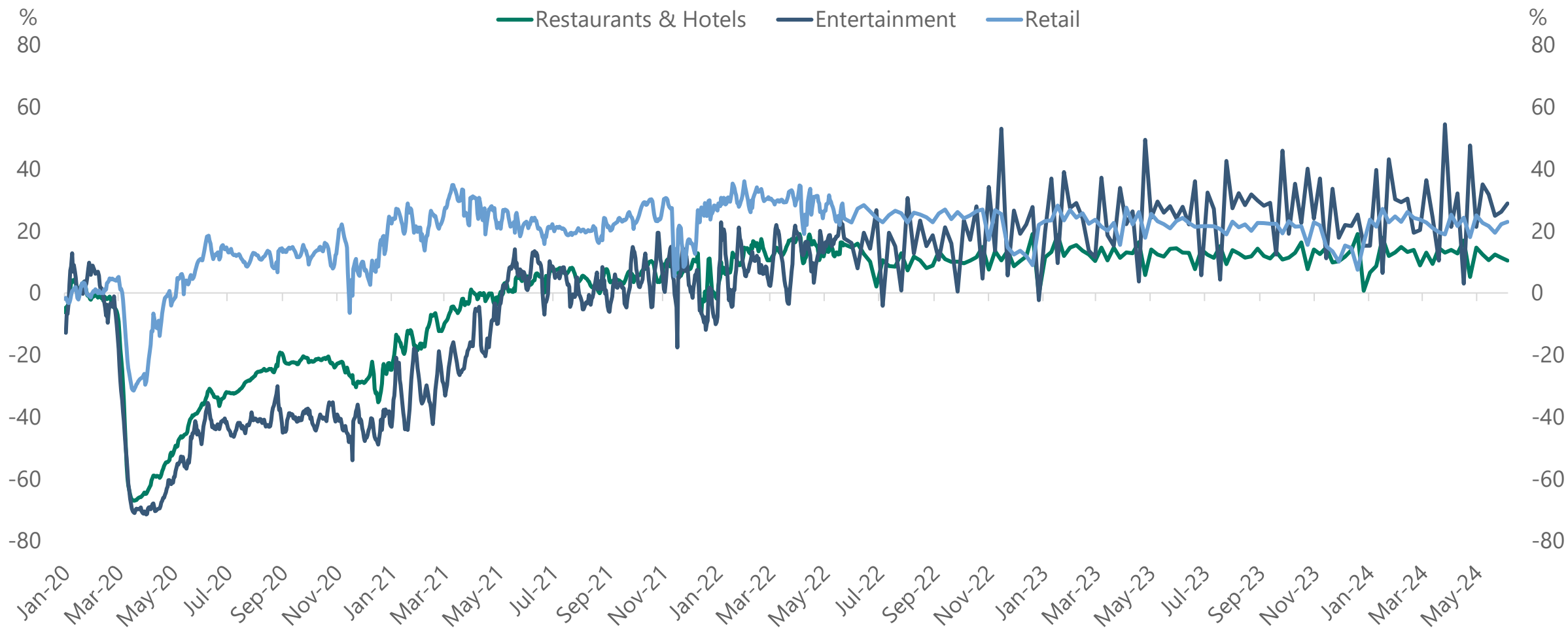
Source: Bloomberg, Apollo Chief Economist. Note: Filings are for companies with more than \$50mn in liabilities. For week ending on August 15, 2024

Weekly credit and debit card spending

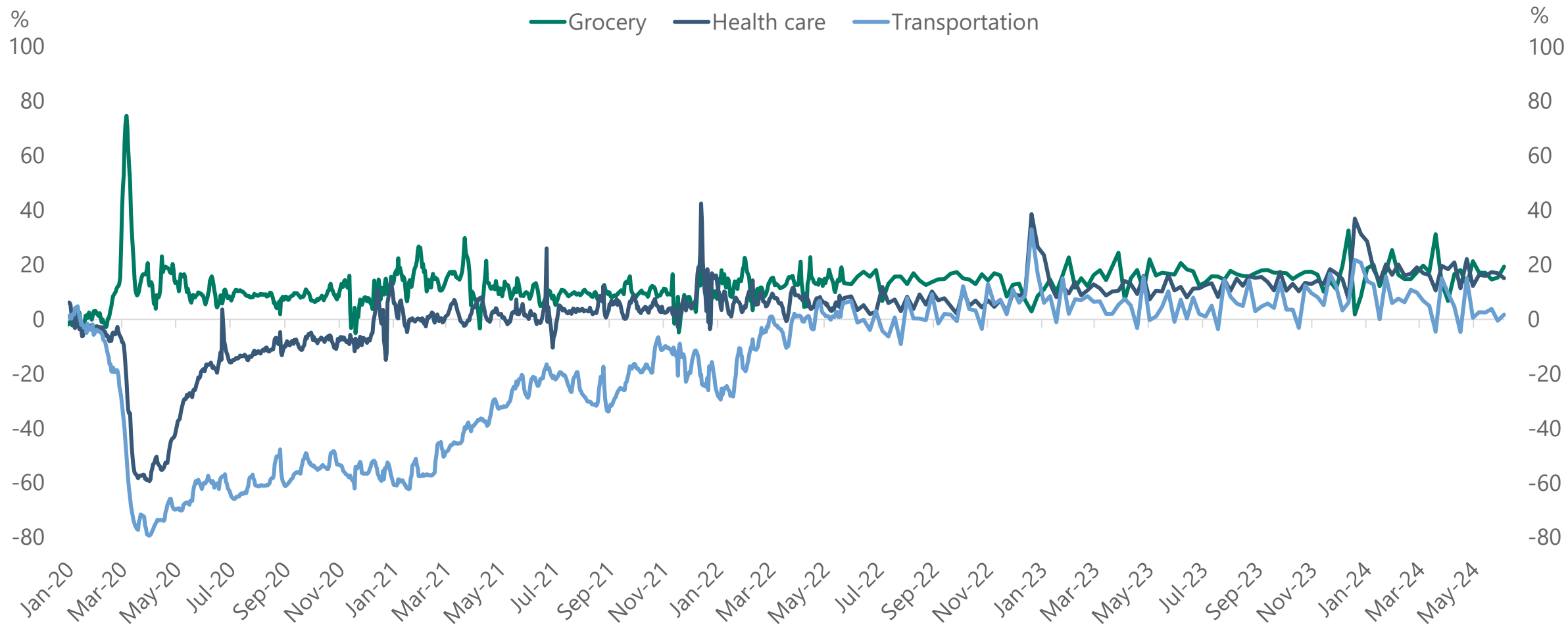


Source: Affinity solutions via Opportunity Insights, Haver Analytics, Apollo Chief Economist. Note: Baseline is January 2020

Weekly credit card consumer spending, by sector

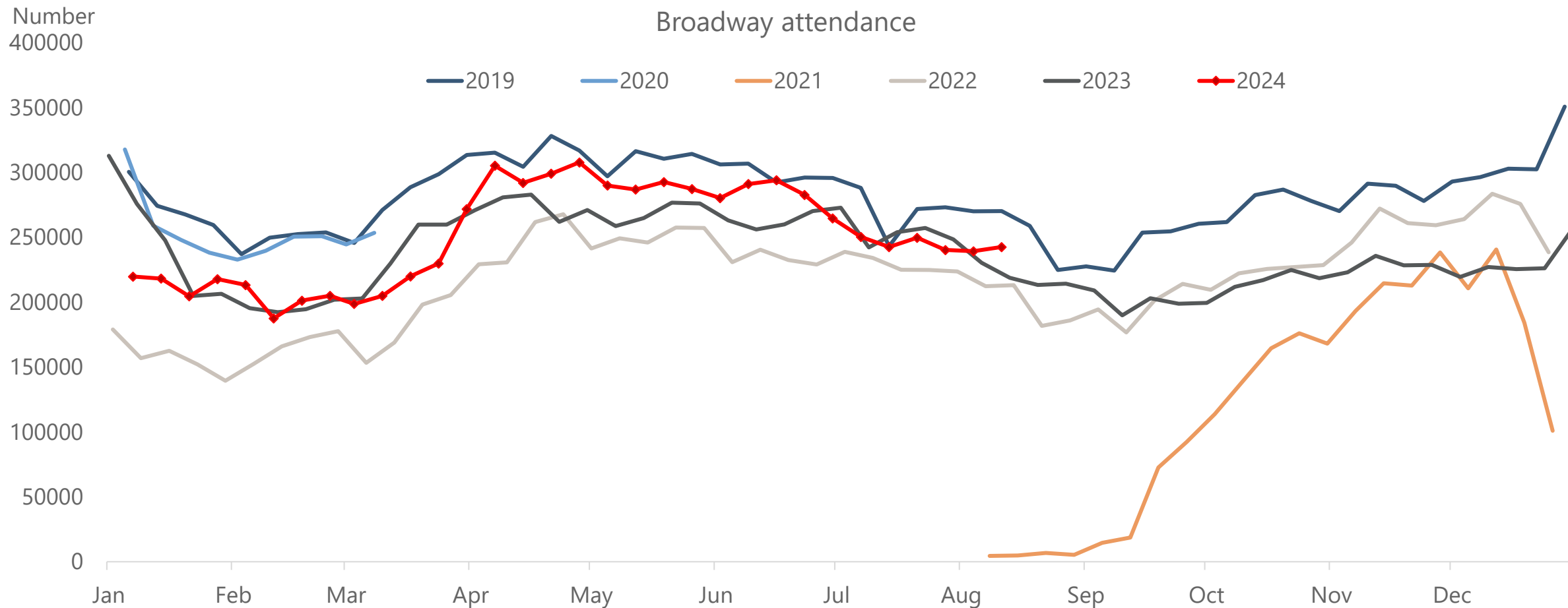


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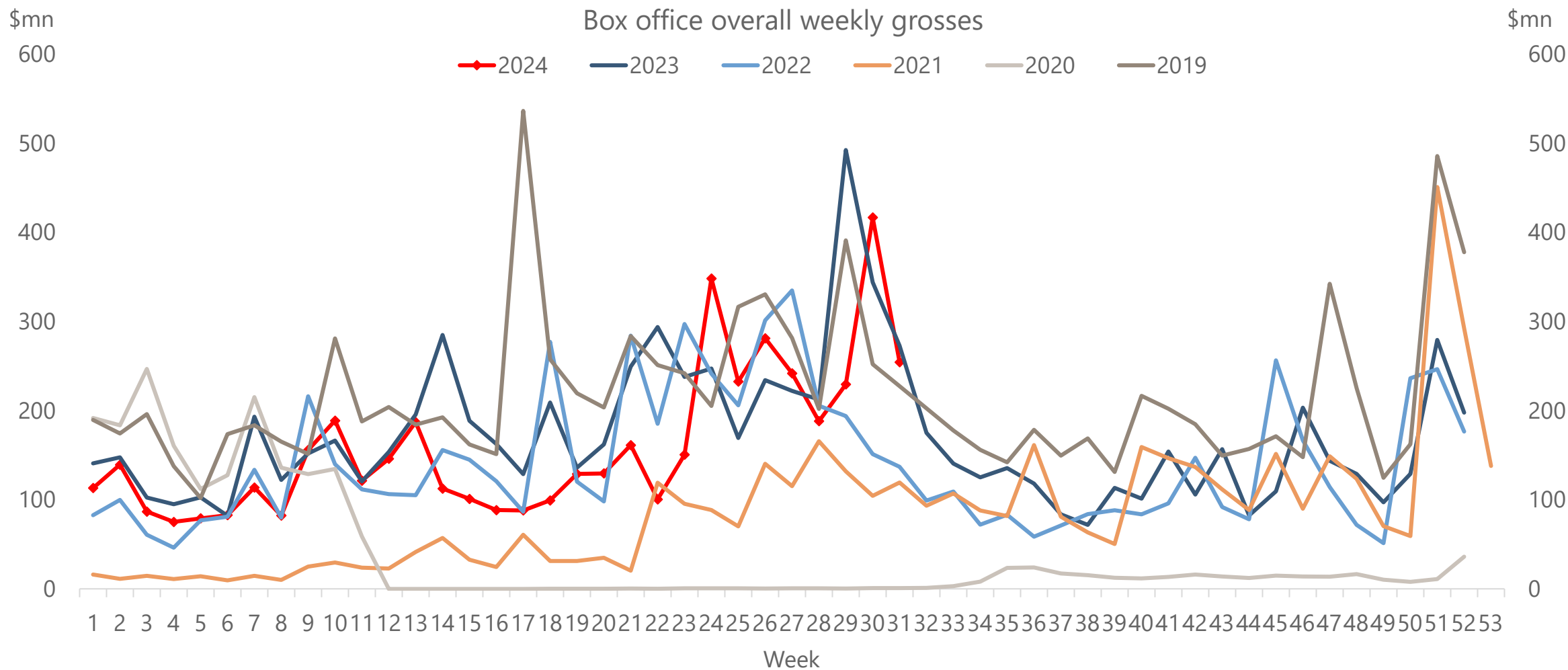


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Weekly Broadway show attendance

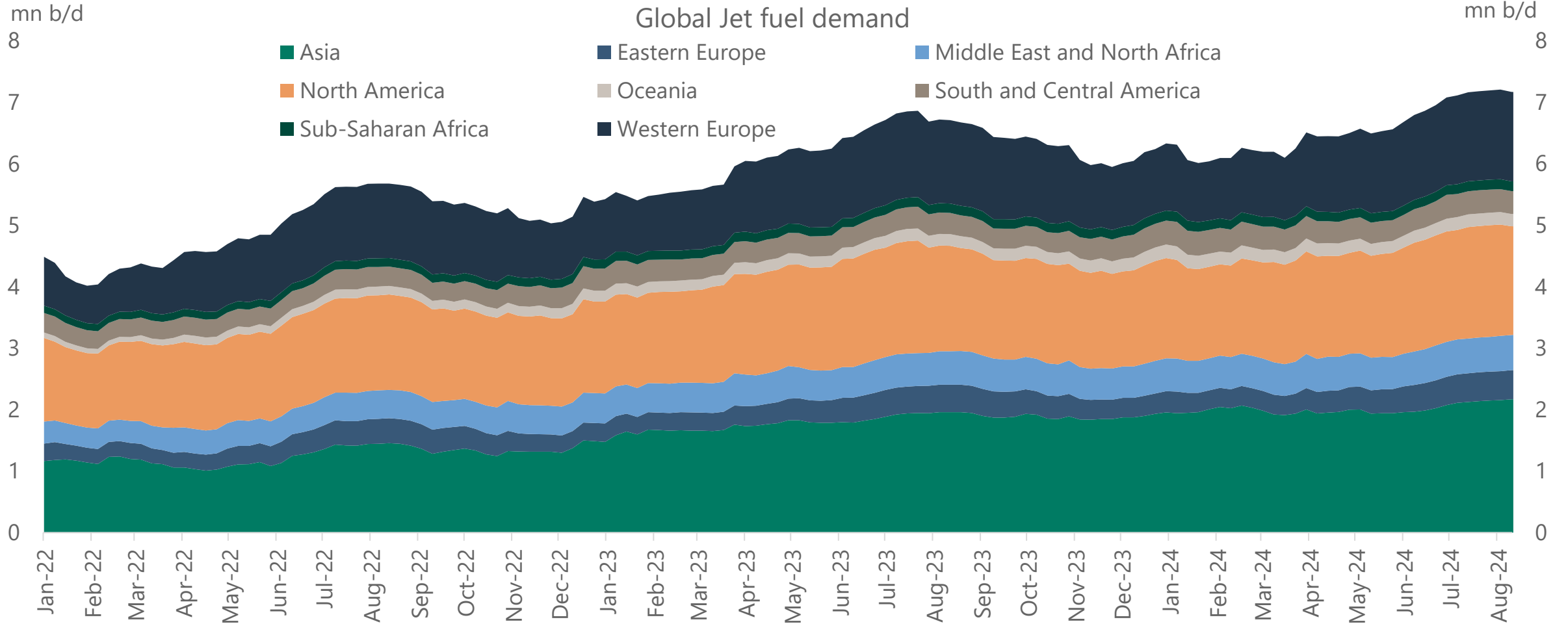


Weekly movie theatre visits

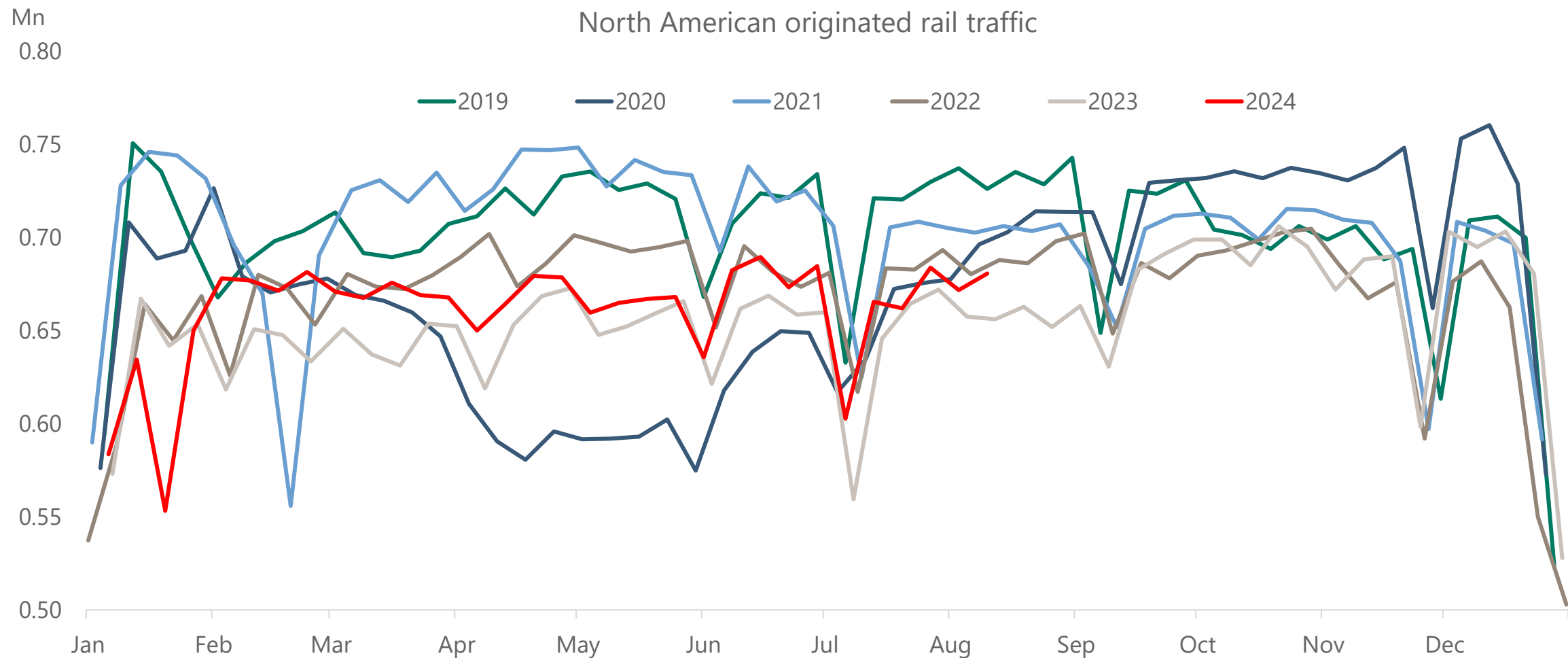


Source: Boxofficemojo.com, Apollo Chief Economist

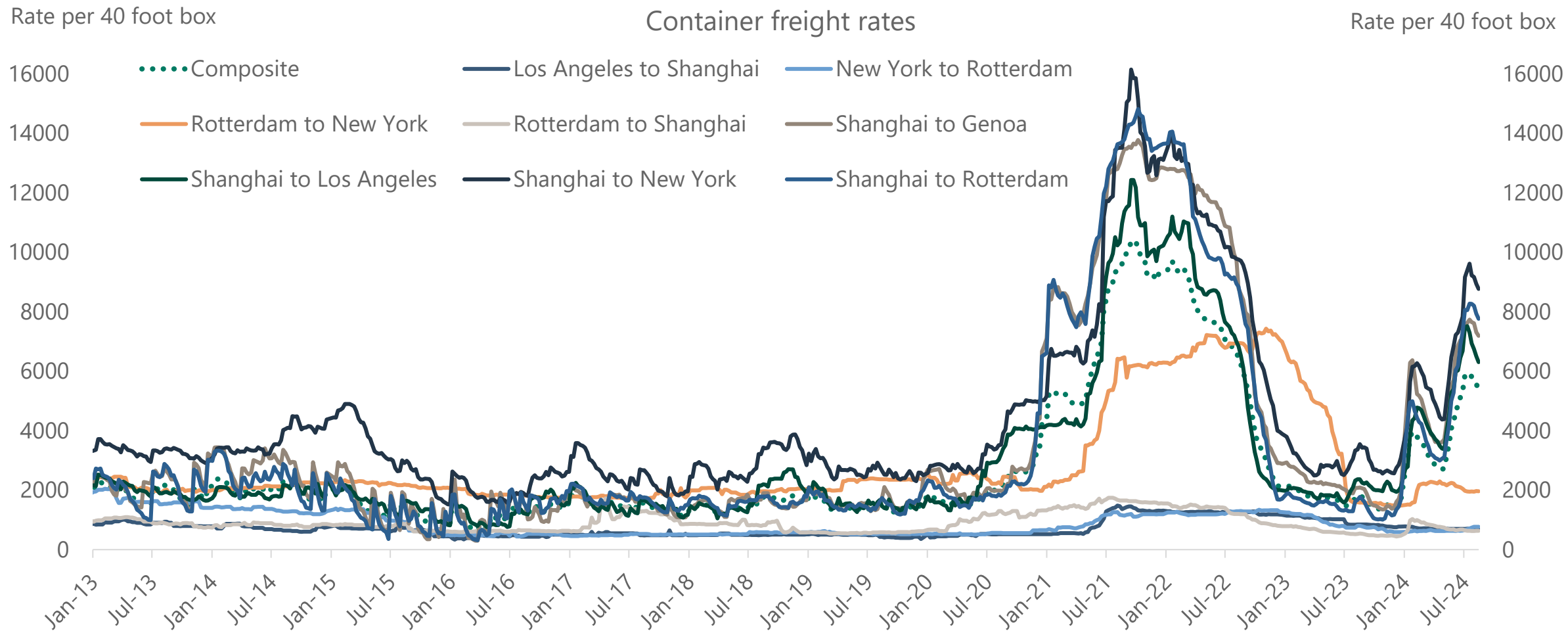
Global jet fuel demand



Rail traffic volumes



Weekly container freight rates



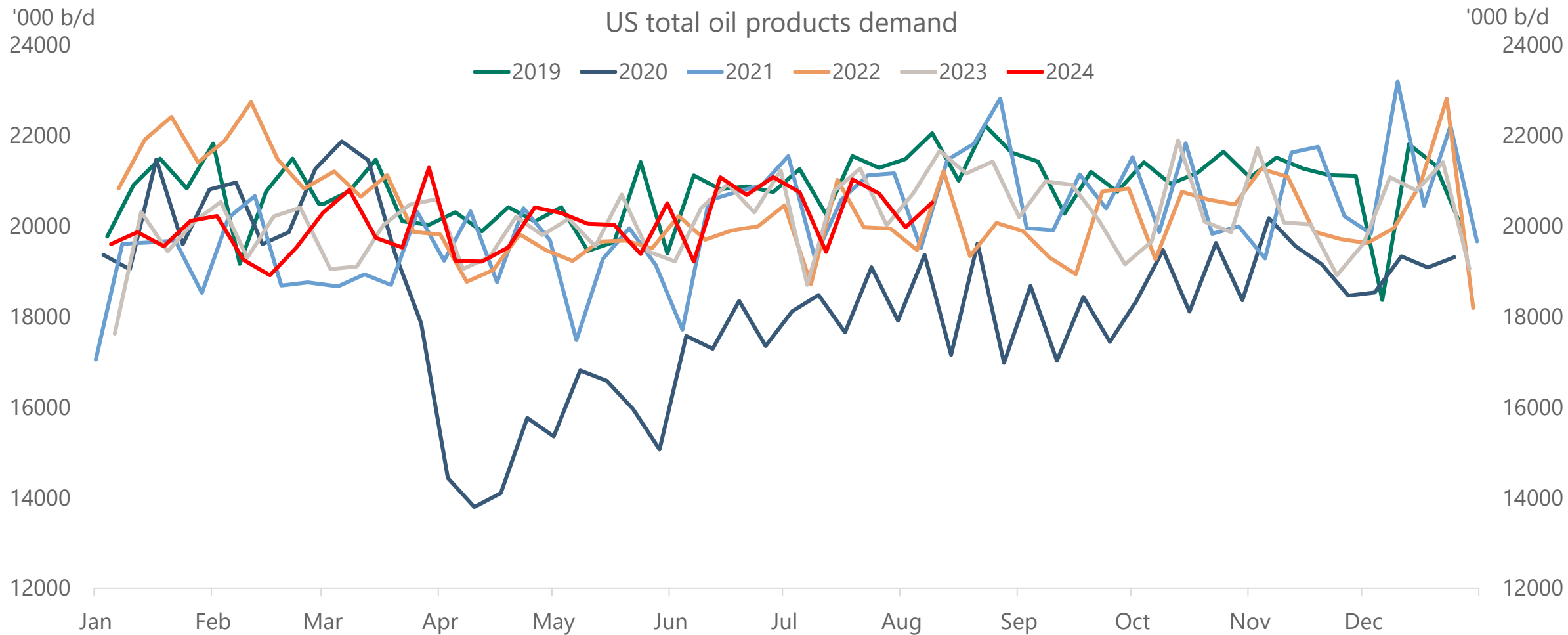
Source: WCI, Bloomberg, Apollo Chief Economist

China: Containerized freight index half of covid peak

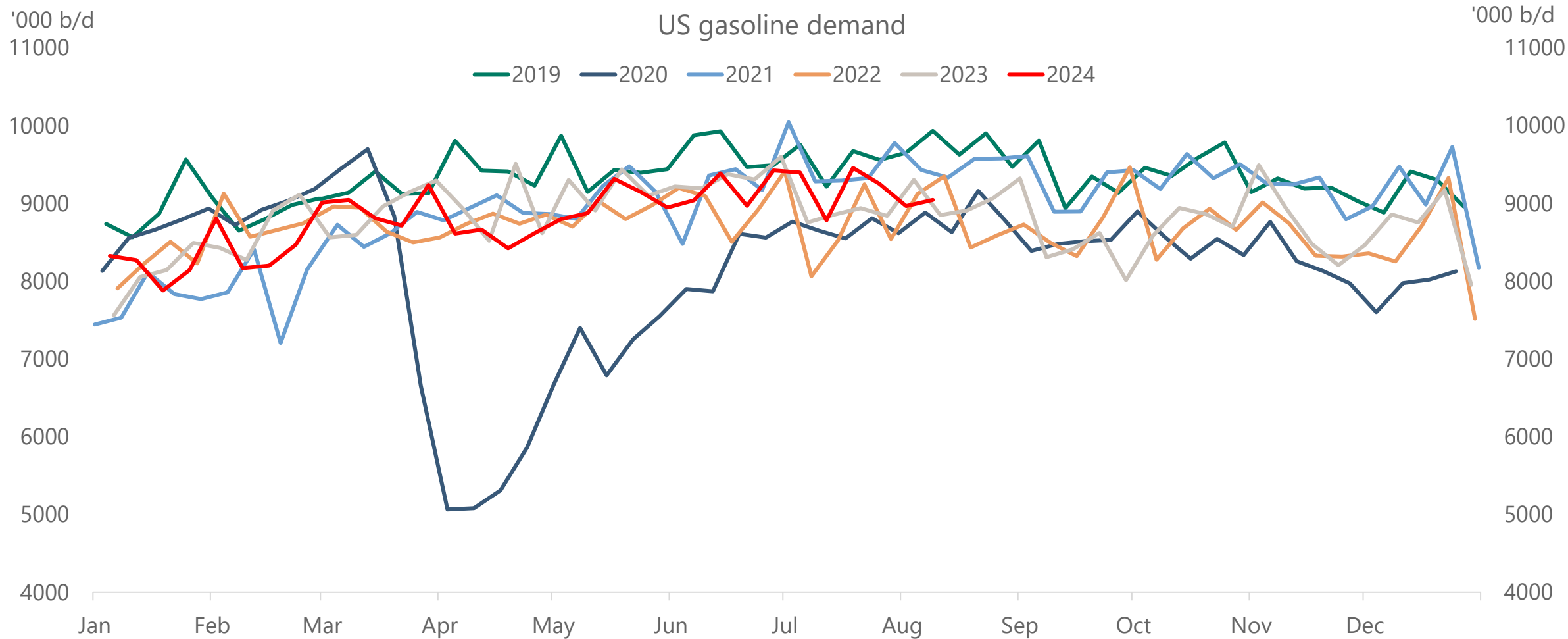


Source: Shanghai Shipping Exchange, Bloomberg, Apollo Chief Economist

Weekly oil demand

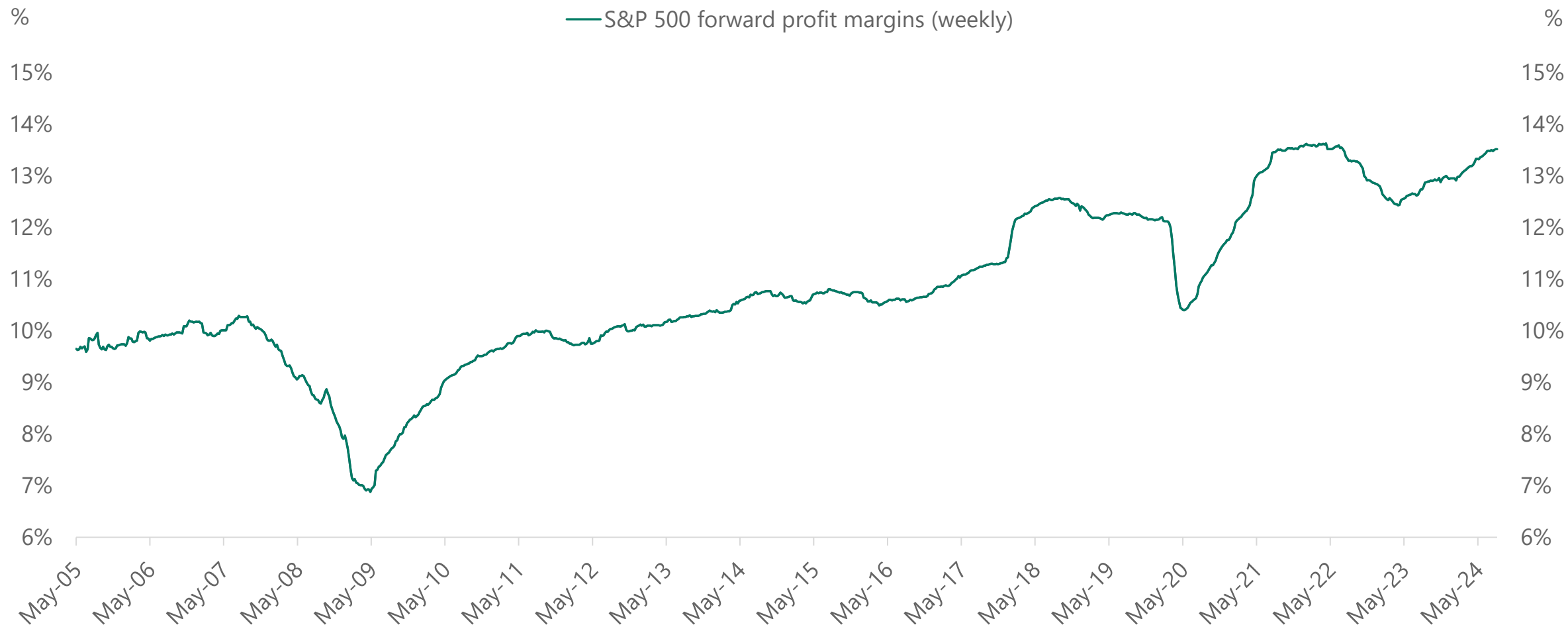


Weekly gasoline demand



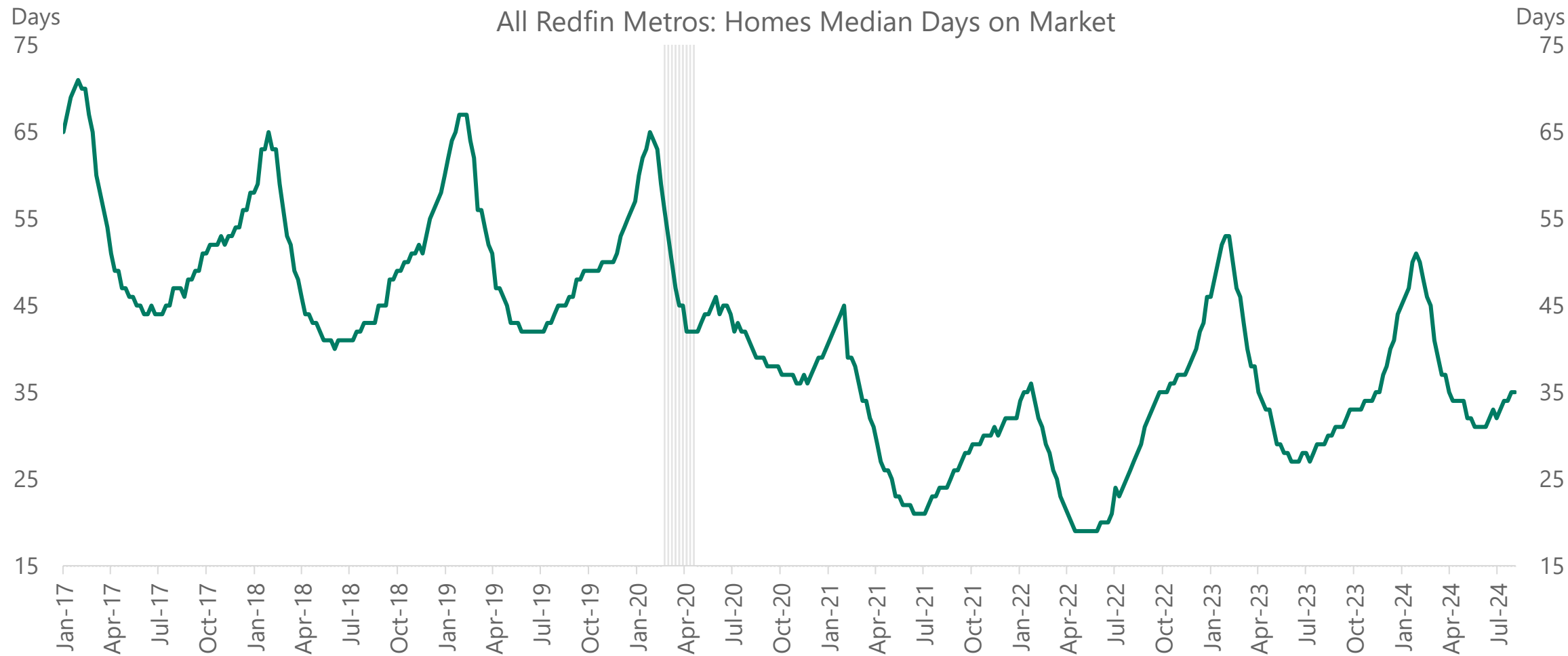
Source: Department of Energy, Bloomberg, Apollo Chief Economist

S&P 500 weekly forward profit margins near record high levels

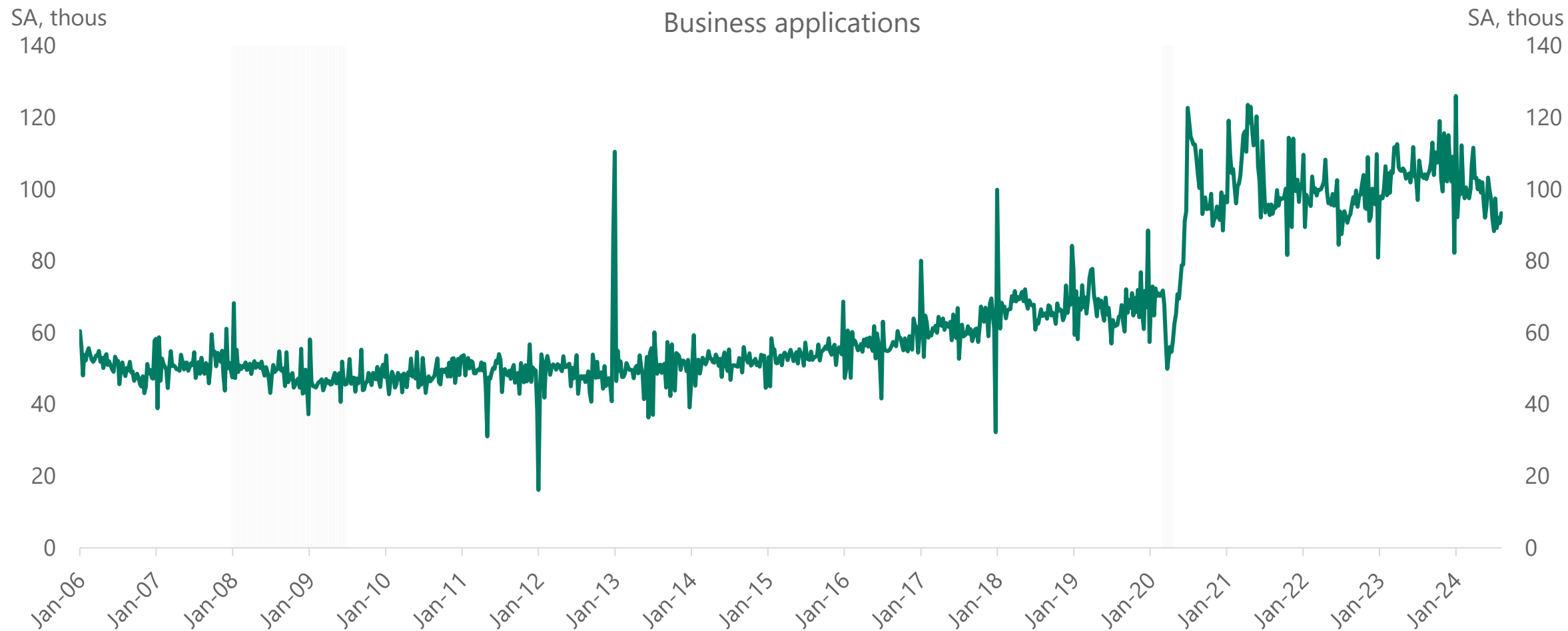


Source: Bloomberg, Apollo Chief Economist. Note: The 12 months forward profit margins are calculated by using the weighted average of 1FY (current year estimate) and 2FY (next year estimate) to smooth out fiscal year transitions.

Weekly supply of homes

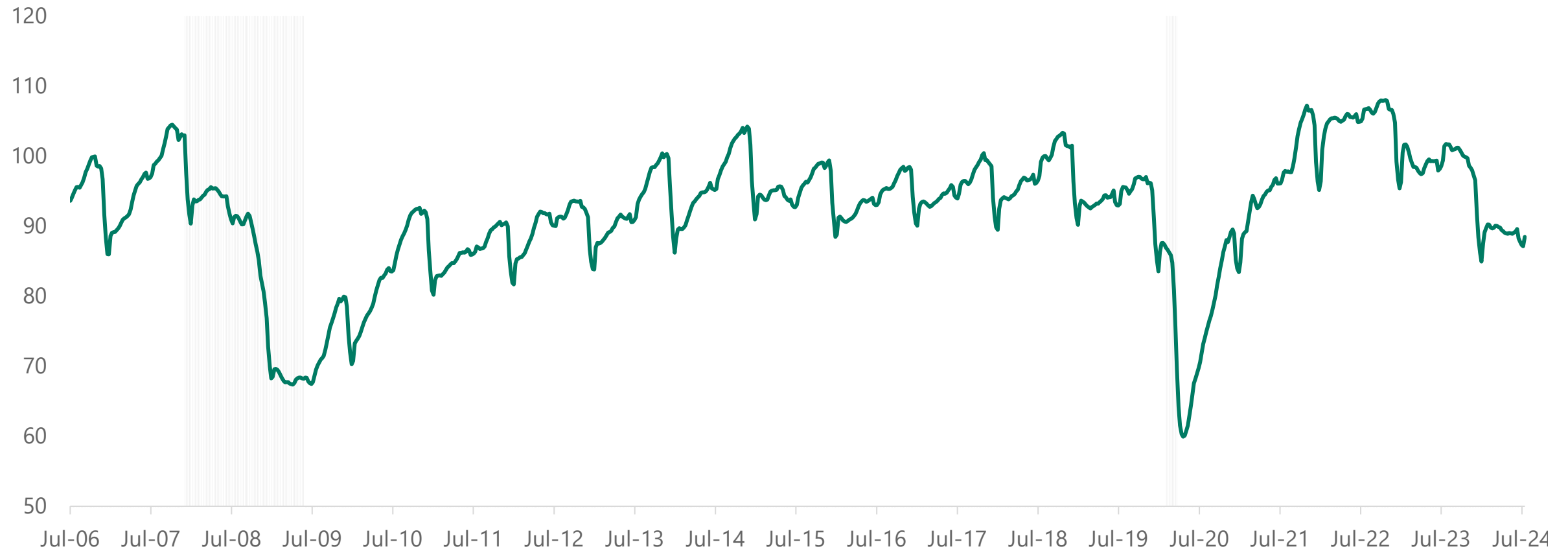


Weekly business formation statistics



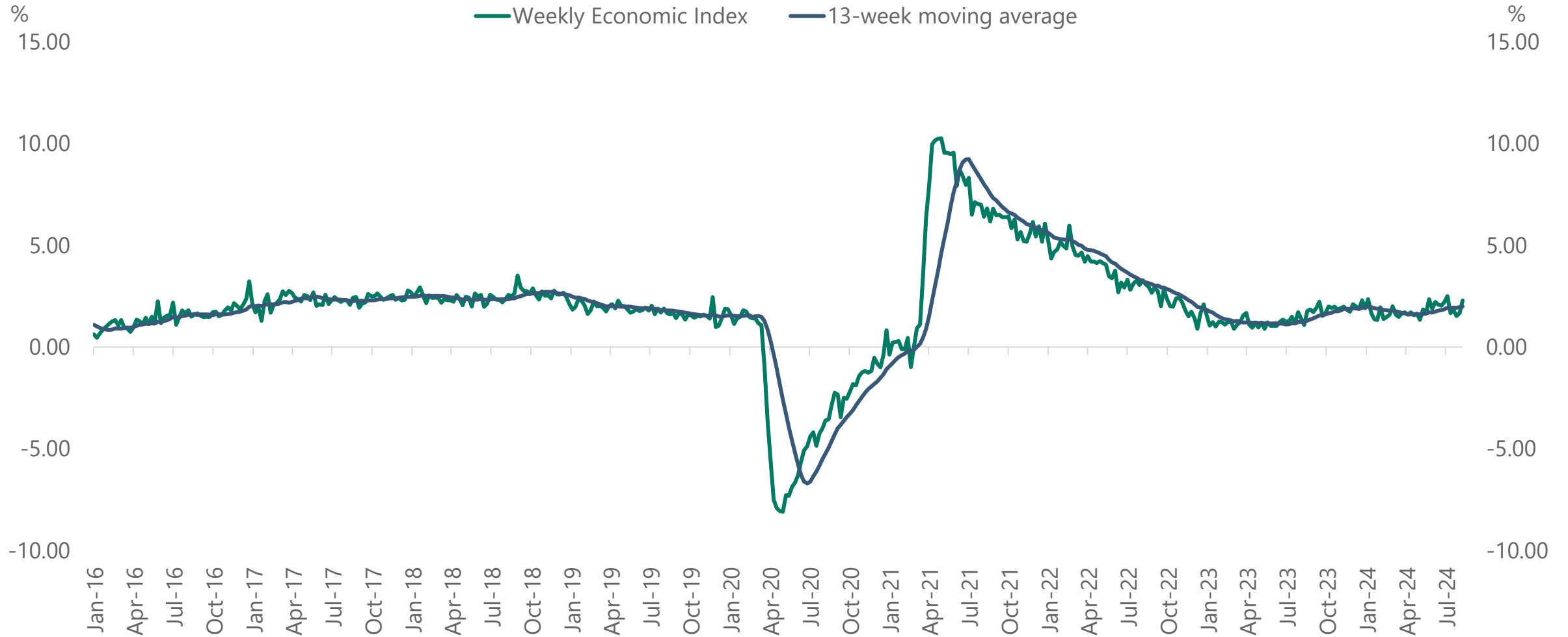
Weekly ASA temp worker staffing index

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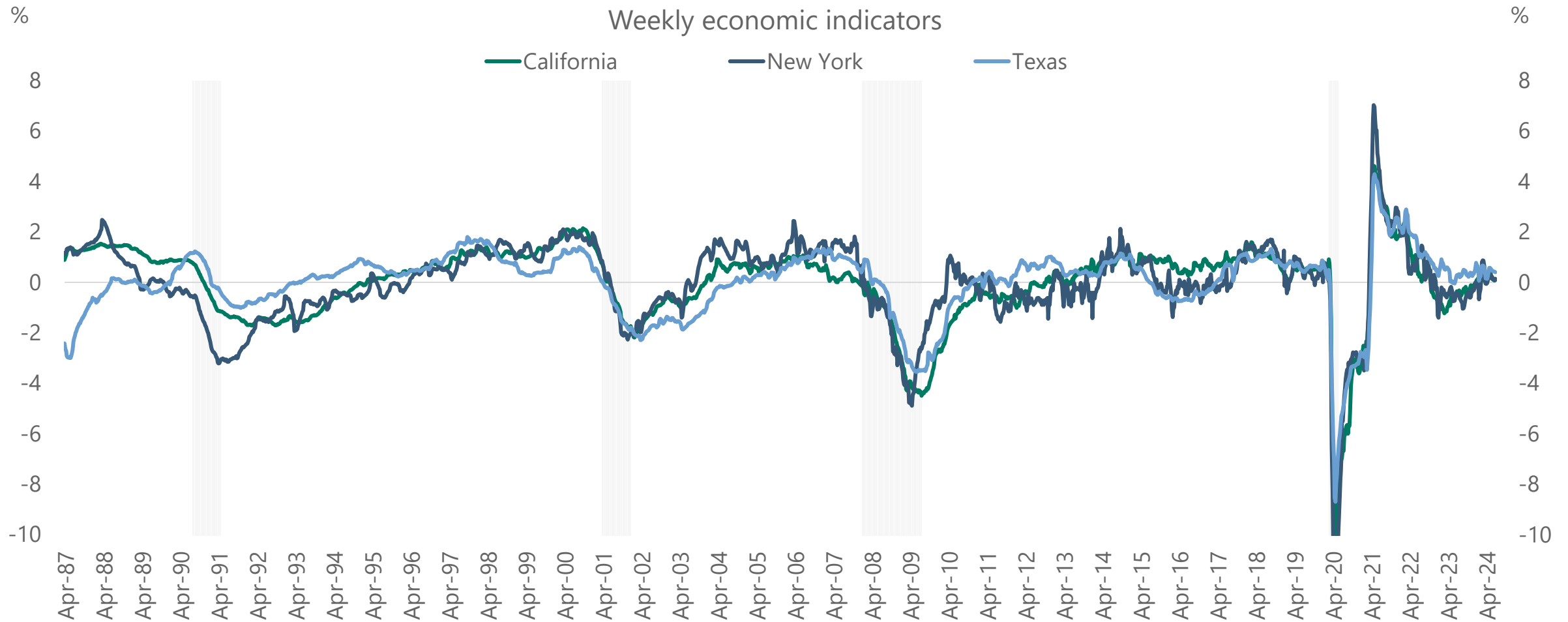


Source: American Staffing Association (ASA), Bloomberg, Apollo Chief Economist. Note: The ASA Staffing Index tracks weekly changes in temporary and contract employment and serves as an indicator of current economic conditions. All staffing firms with US operations are invited to participate in the ASA Staffing Index survey.

The Fed's Weekly Economic Index, measured in GDP units

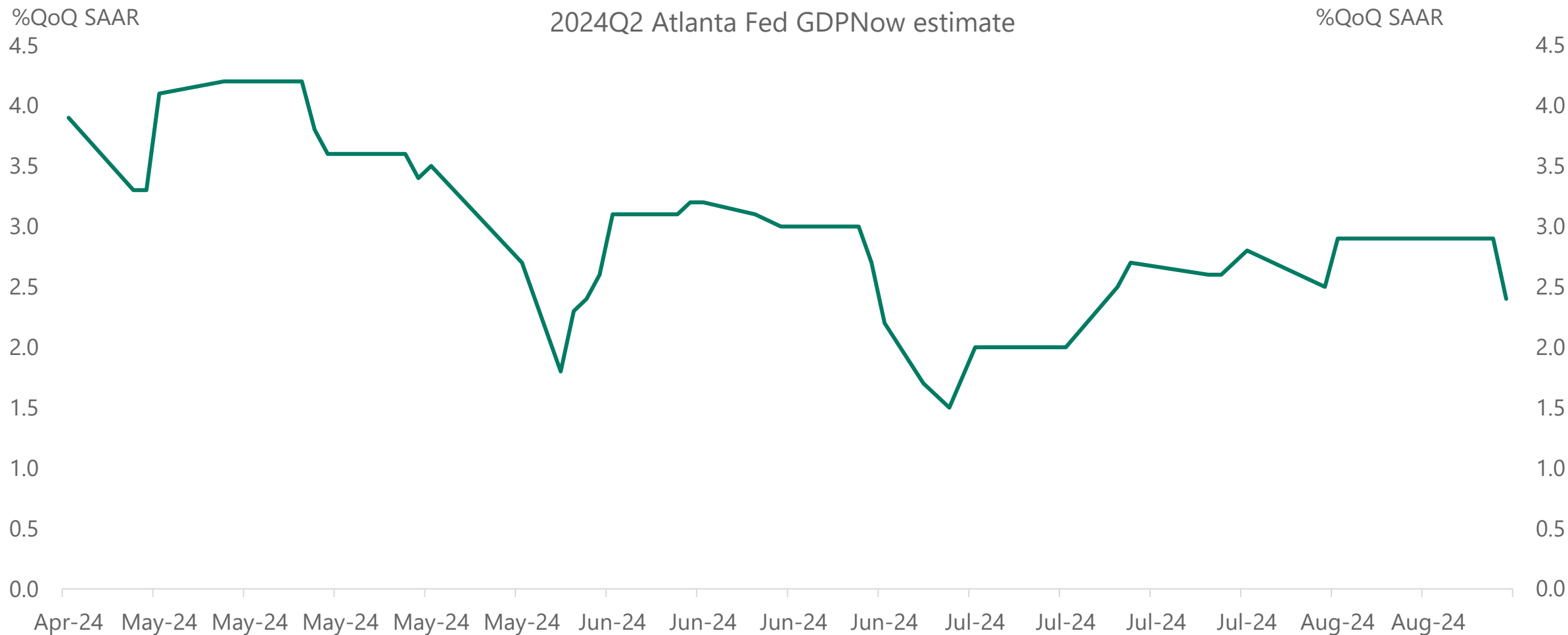


Weekly economic indicators for New York, California, and Texas



Source: Baumeister, Christiane, Danilo Leiva-Leon, and Eric Sims (2024), "Tracking Weekly State-Level Economic Conditions," Review of Economics and Statistics, 106(2), 483-504., Apollo Chief Economist. Note: The economic conditions indices are computed with mixed-frequency dynamic factor models with weekly, monthly, and quarterly variables that cover multiple dimensions of state economies. The indices are scaled to 4-quarter growth rates of US real GDP and normalized such that a value of zero indicates national long-run growth.

2024 Q3 GDP estimate from Atlanta Fed: 2.4





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