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Why is the Norwegian krone falling? Fed hikes and weak oil prices

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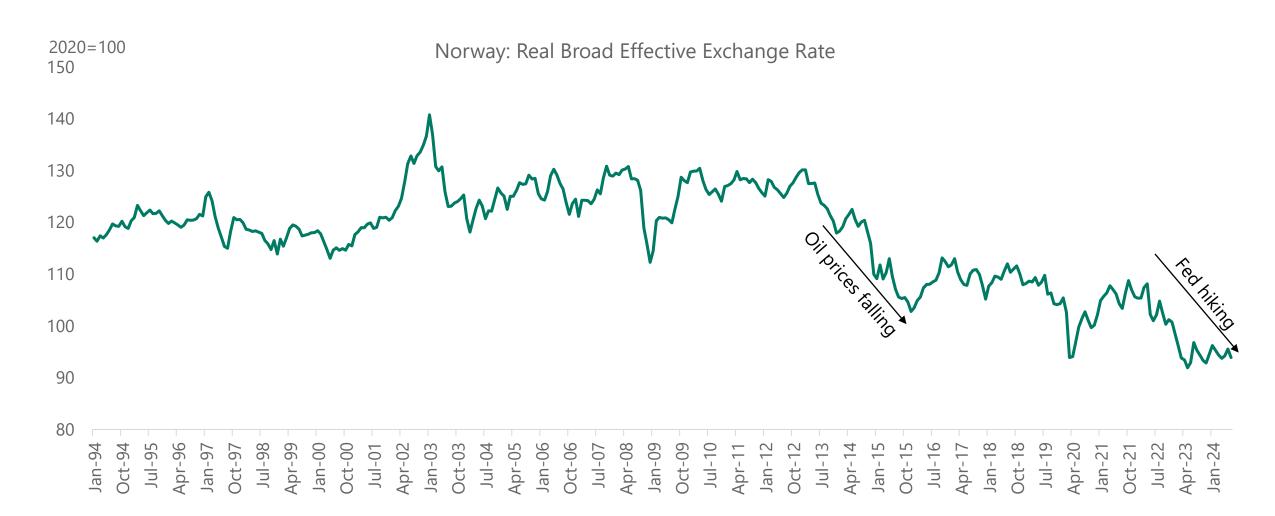
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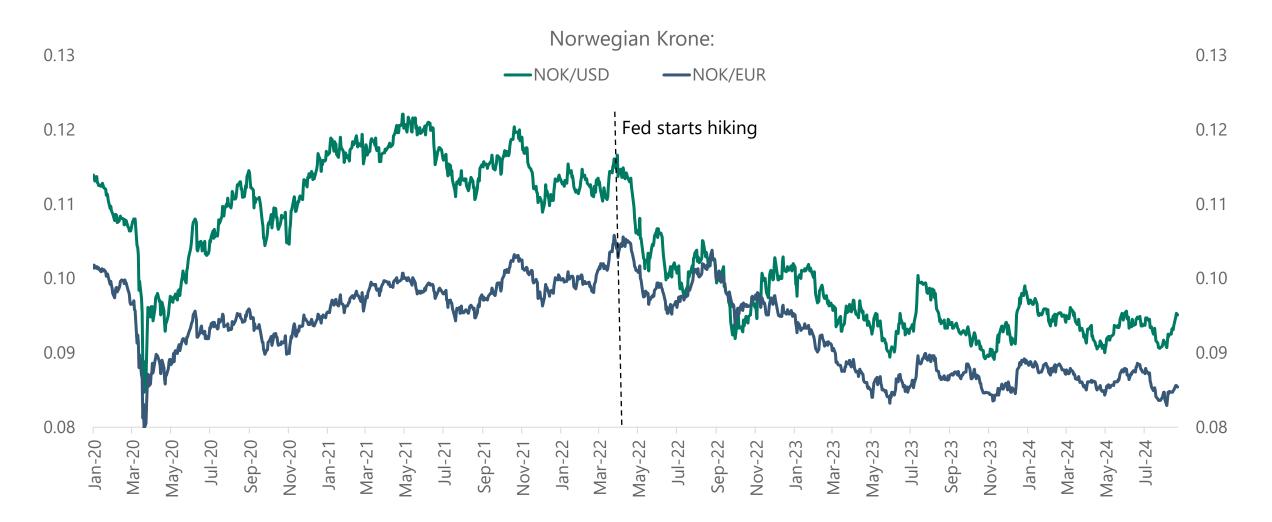
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Norwegian krone: Real exchange rate depreciation



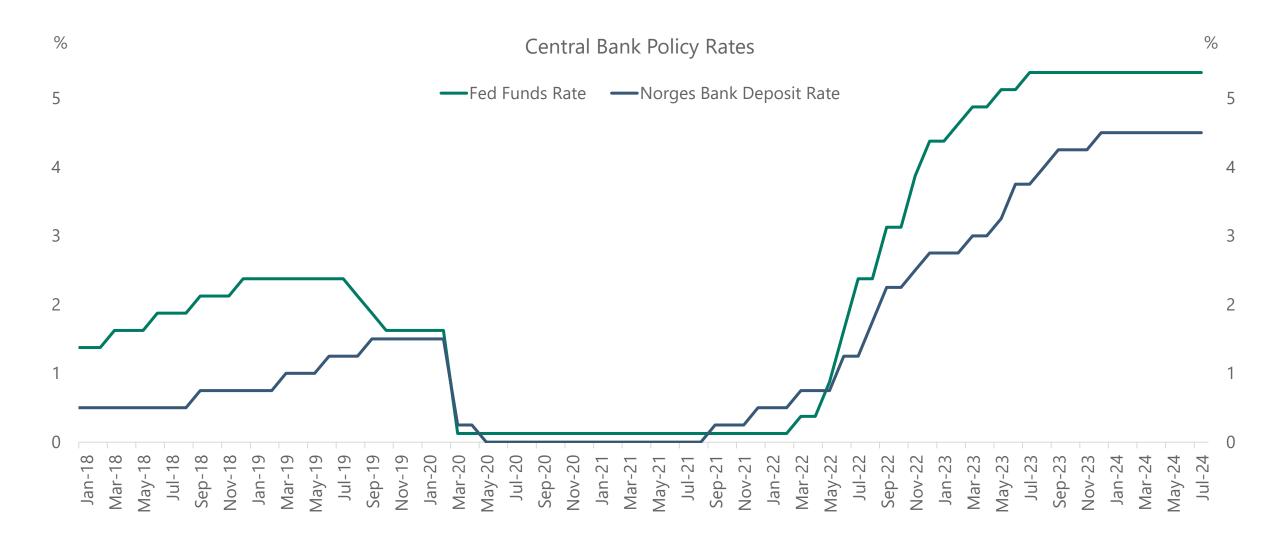
Norwegian krone has been depreciating since the Fed started hiking



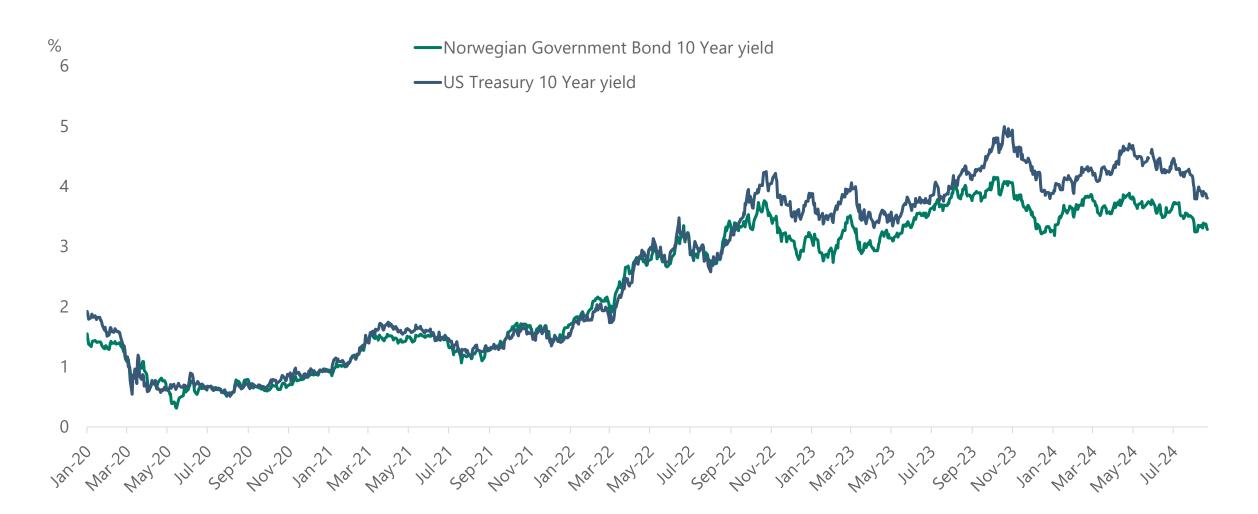
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The role of interest rate differentials and oil prices

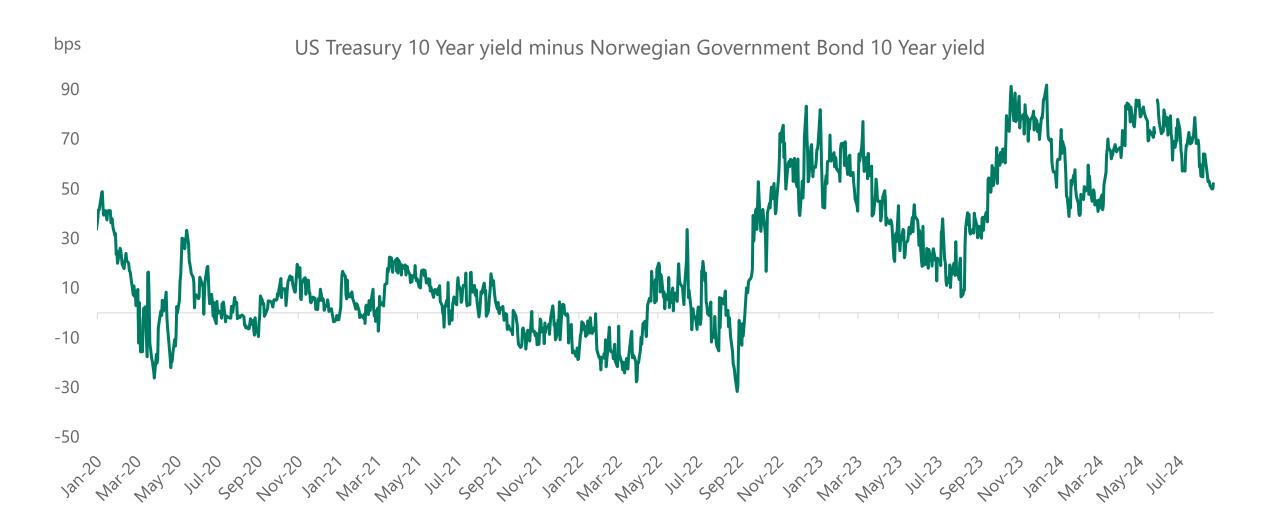
The Fed raised interest rates faster than Norges Bank



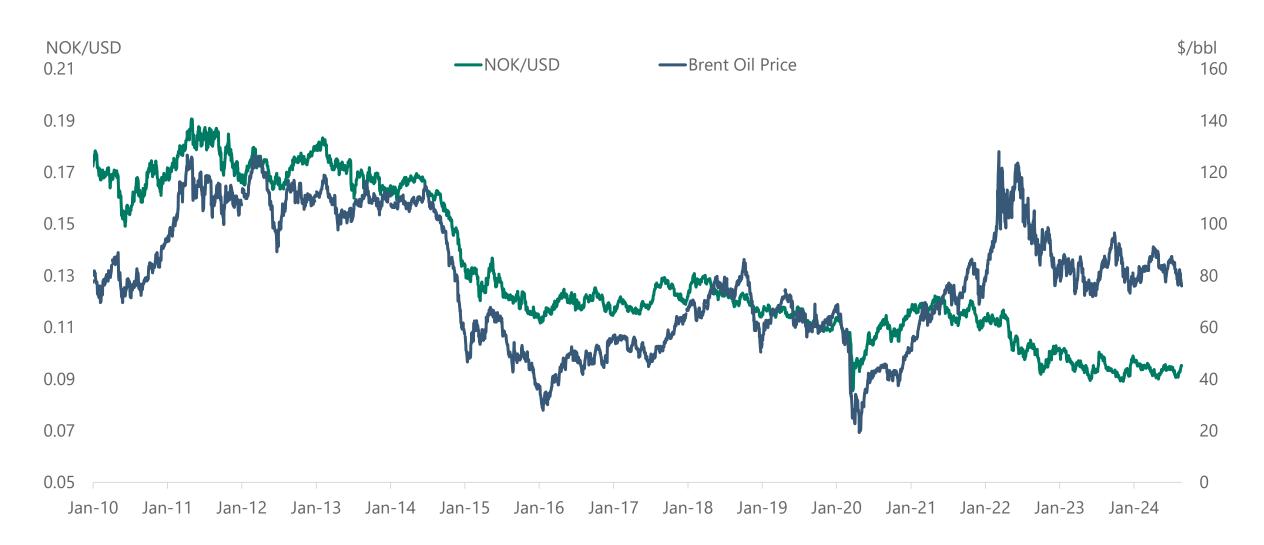
Yield differential widening for long-term interest rates



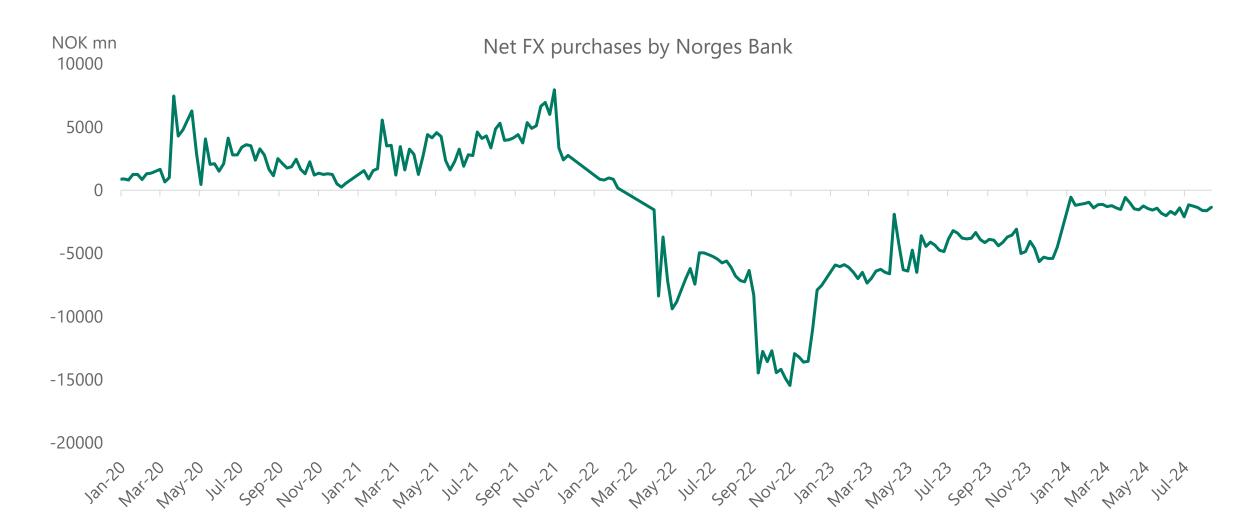
Yield differential widening making USD more attractive relative to NOK



Weaker oil prices have also been contributing to NOK weakness



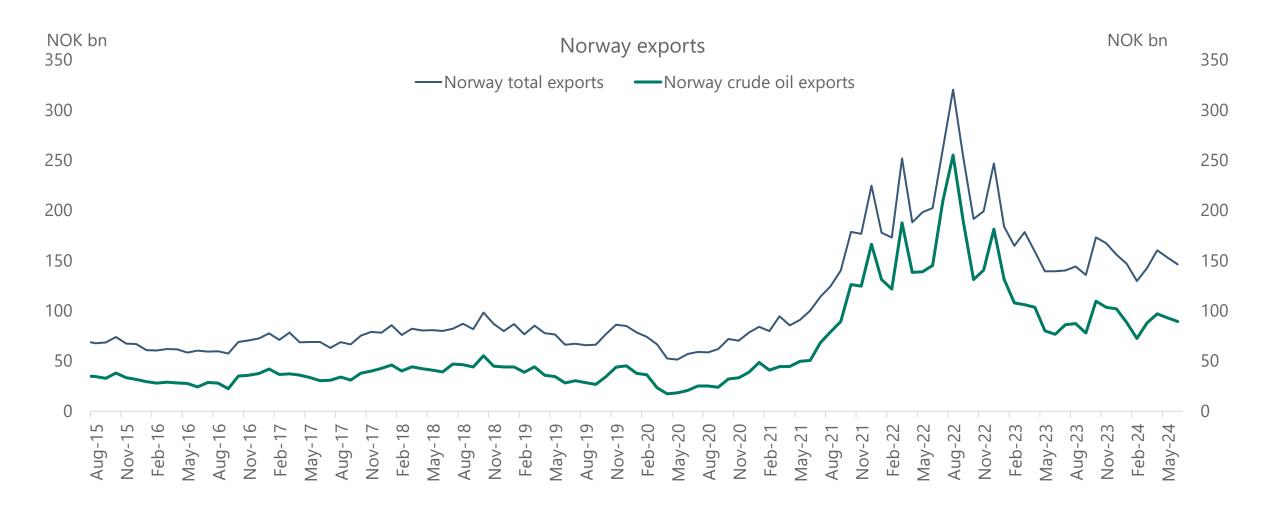
Central bank of Norway net seller of krone



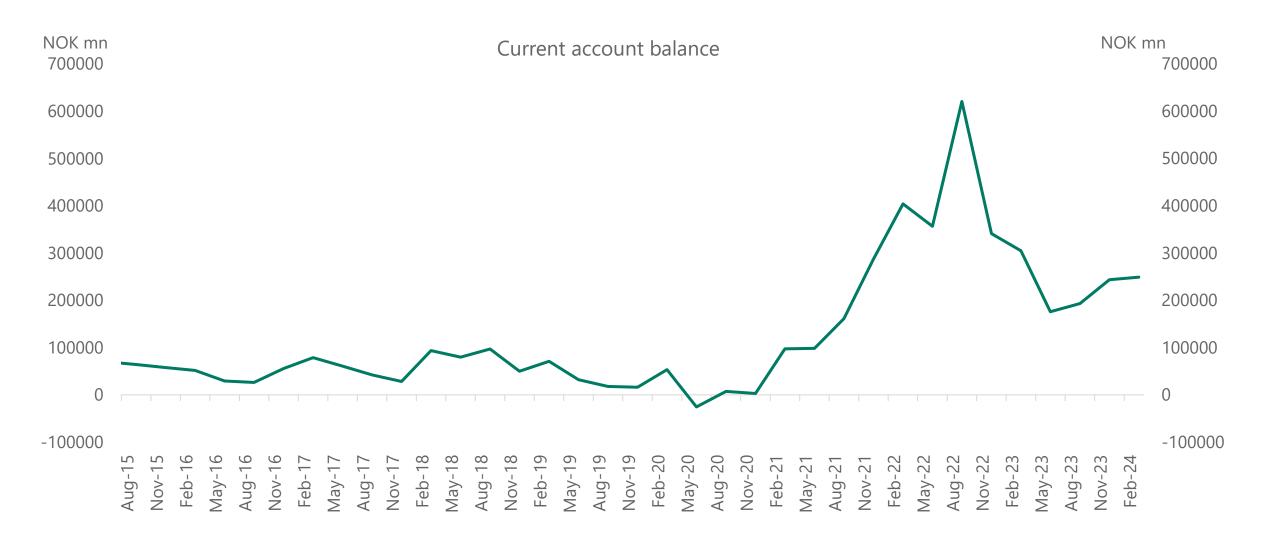
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What are the implications for inflation and exports?

Weaker exchange rate boosts exports



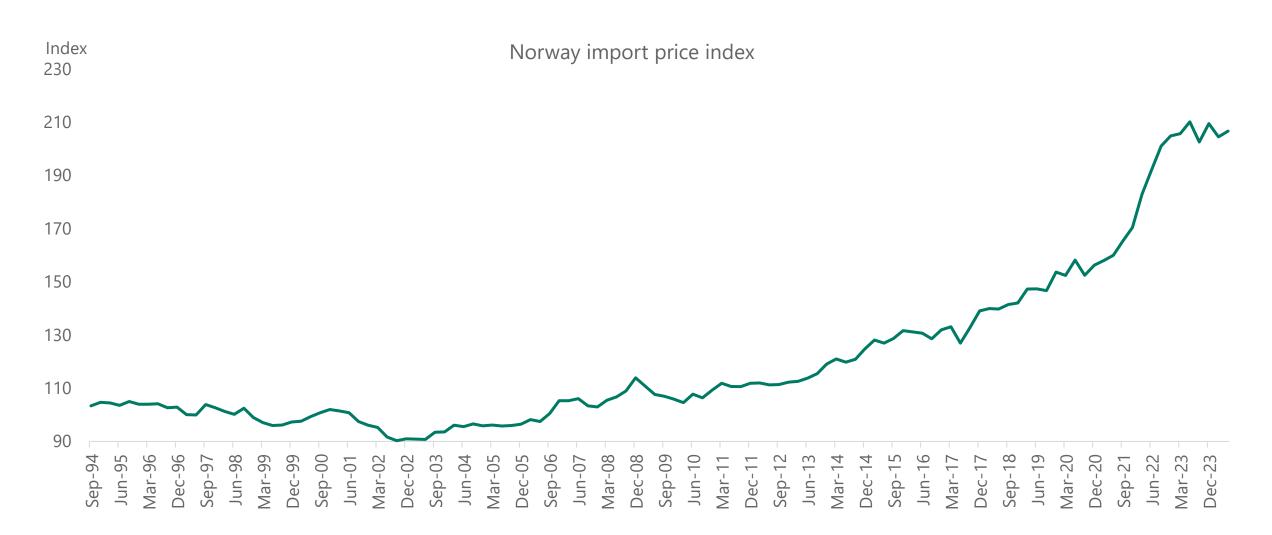
Current account balance has improved



Inflation starting to normalize



Upside risk to inflation due to imported inflation





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