



# CRE & BANKS

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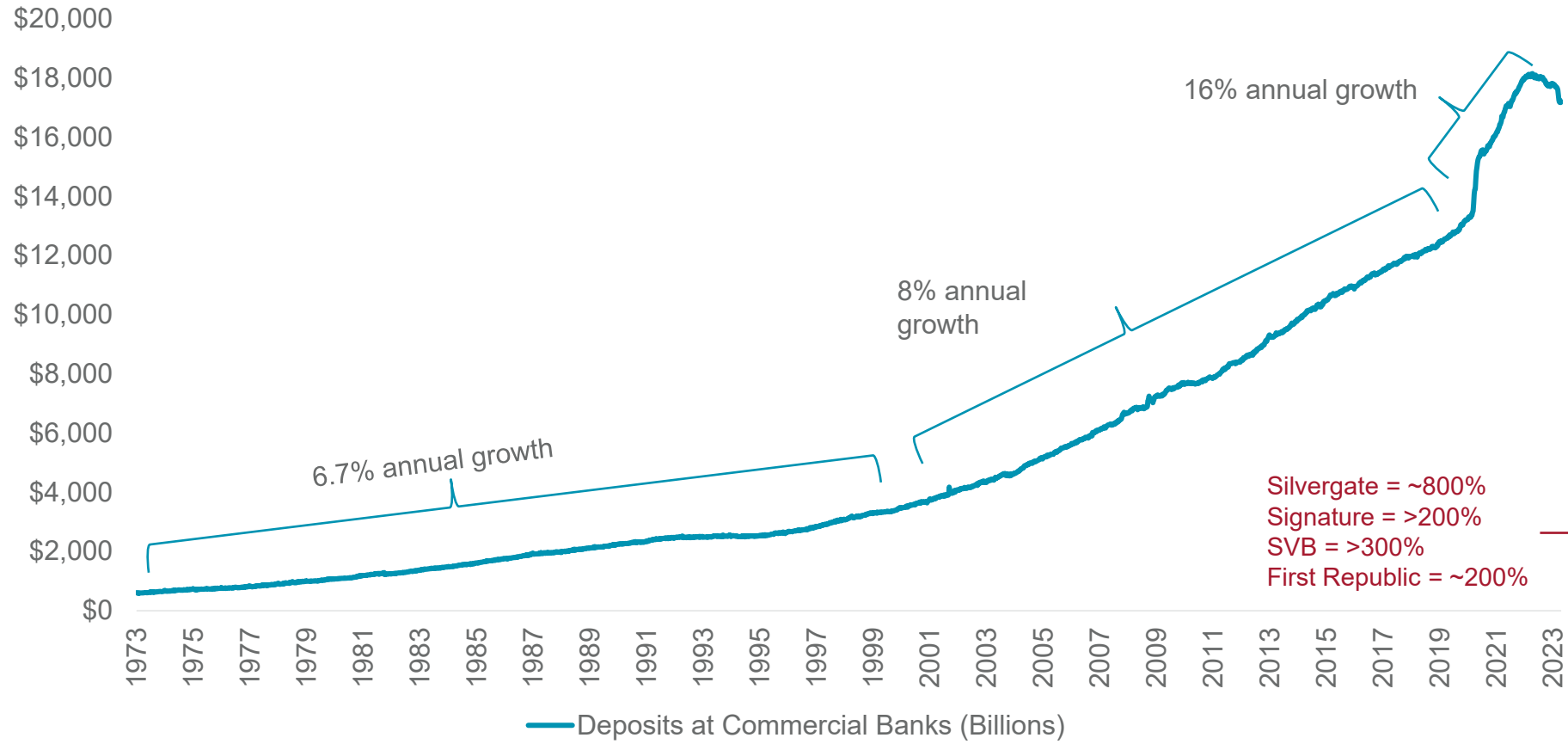
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# What happened?

*Banks had a lot of deposits they needed to invest following the COVID-stimulus*



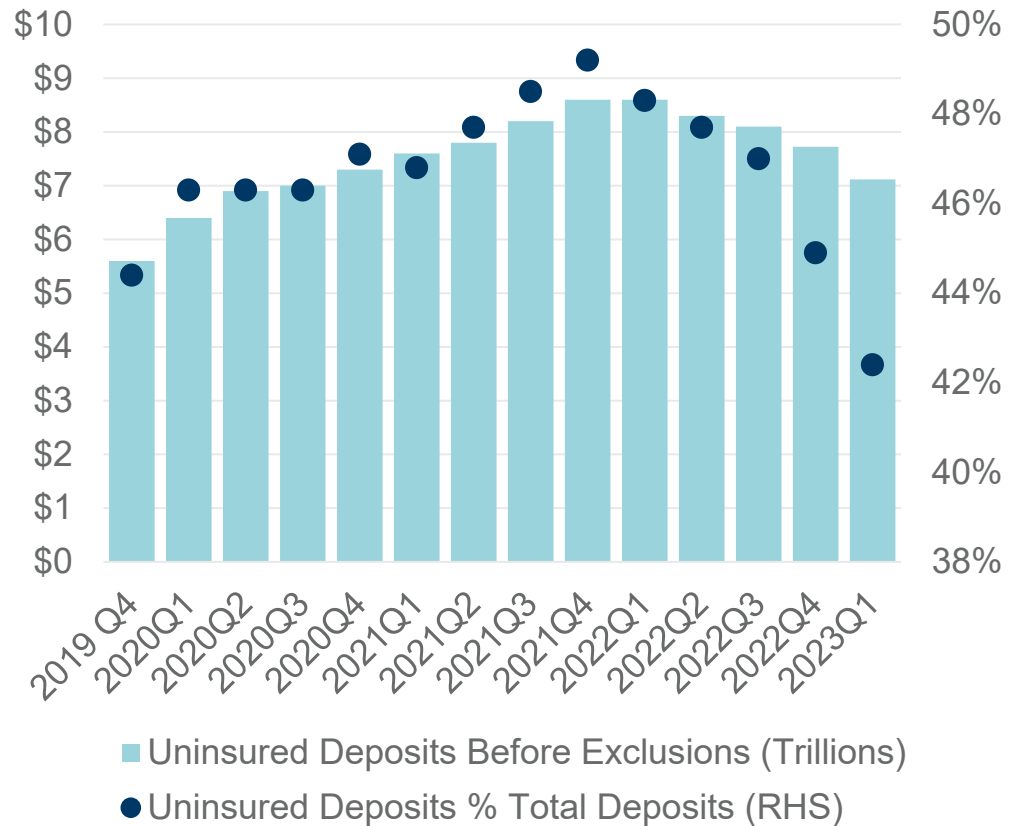
Silvergate = ~800%  
Signature = >200%  
SVB = >300%  
First Republic = ~200%

- Total bank deposits swelled in the wake of the pandemic, as the U.S. passed massive stimulus equating to 25% of pre-pandemic GDP.
- Much of the stimulus ended up in individual and bank deposit accounts.
- **Total deposits grew by 35% from February 2020 to the peak in April 2022, reflecting an annual growth rate of 16%.**

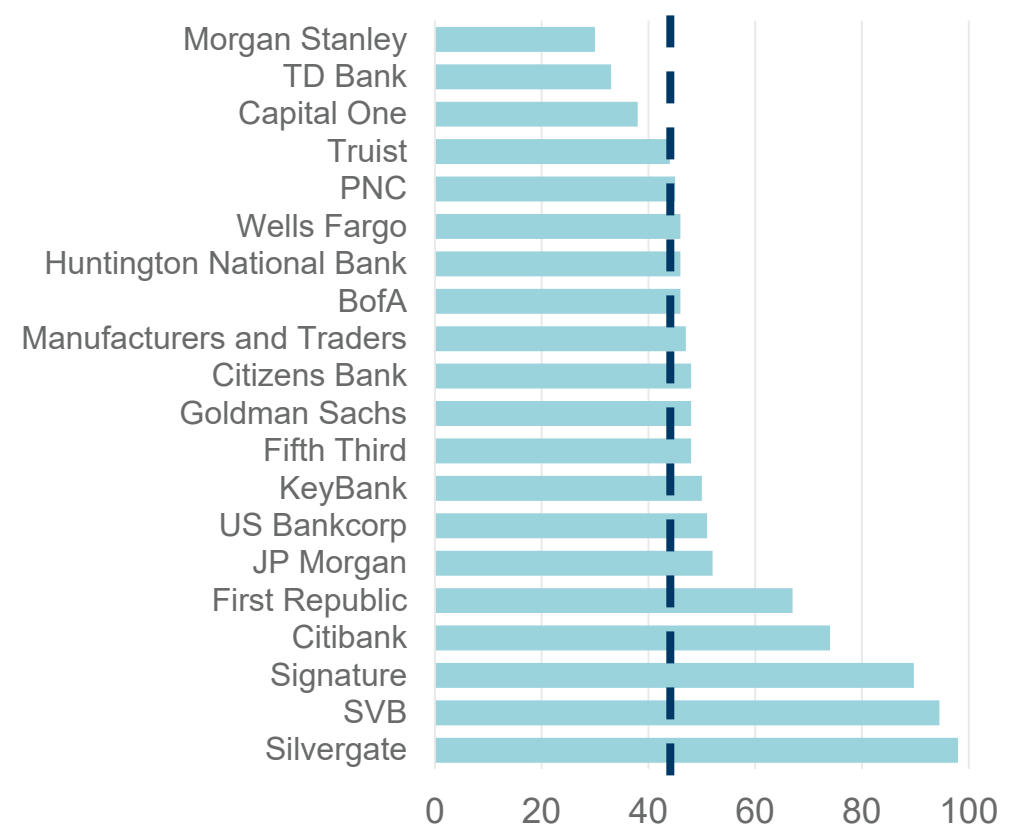
# Not All Bank Deposits Are Insured...

Normally ~40 to 45%-ish are uninsured

## Uninsured Deposits at U.S. Banks



## Uninsured Share of Deposits

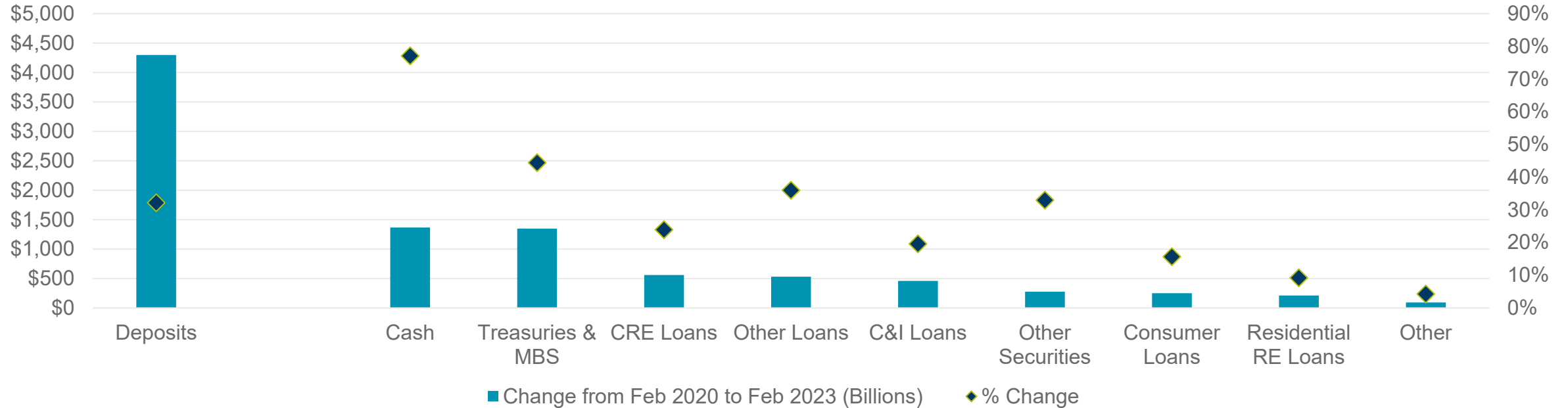


# Current Commercial Bank Landscape

*Smaller banks rely (much) less on uninsured deposits*

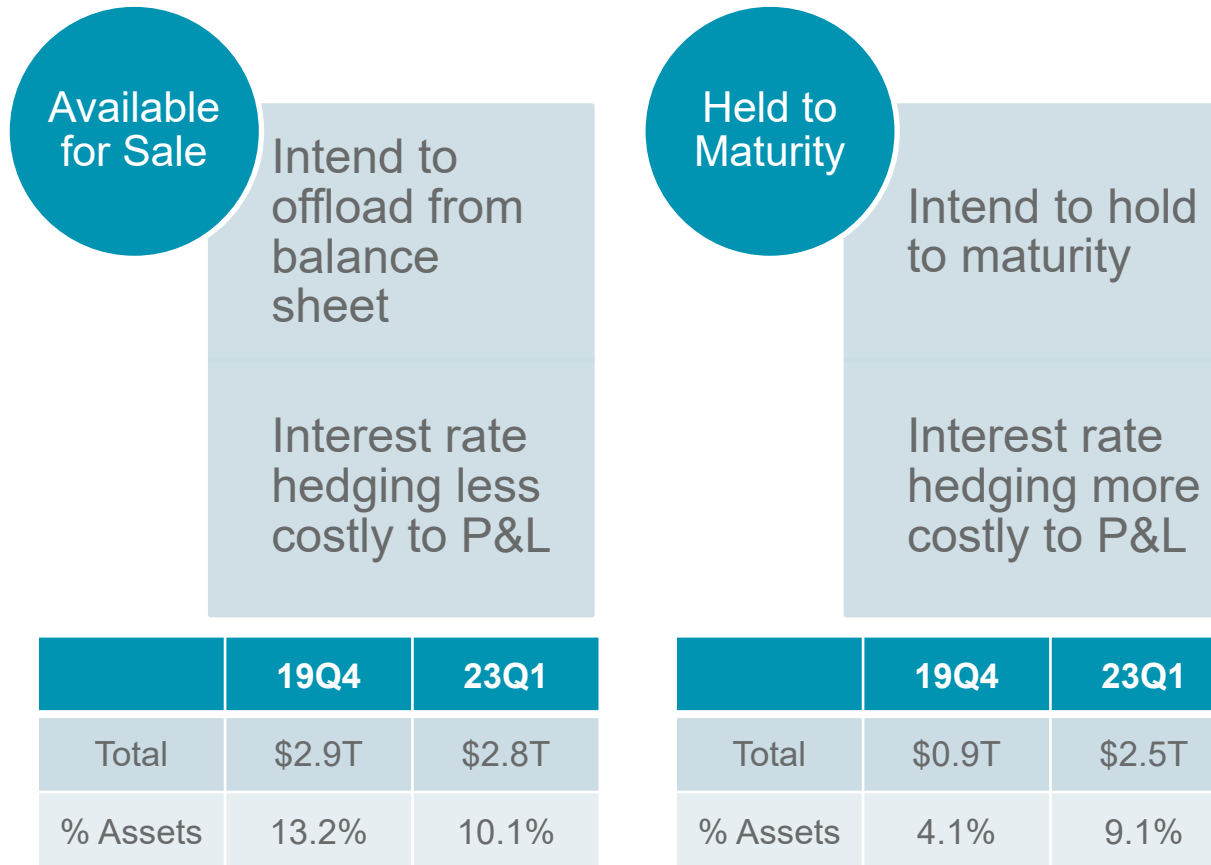
|                           | Community      | Regional        | Quasi-Regional   | Big             |
|---------------------------|----------------|-----------------|------------------|-----------------|
| Asset Size                | Under \$10B    | \$10B to \$100B | \$100B to \$250B | Over \$250B     |
| # of Banks                | 4,555          | 126             | 21               | 13              |
| # Employees (FTE)*        | 472,044        | 301,790         | 231,370          | 1,119,070       |
| Total Assets              | \$3.5 trillion | \$3.7 trillion  | \$3.5 trillion   | \$13.1 trillion |
| Average Assets per Bank   | \$759 million  | \$29 billion    | \$167 billion    | \$1.0 trillion  |
| <b>% Deposits Insured</b> | <b>67.9%</b>   | <b>58.3%</b>    | <b>52.9%</b>     | <b>42.3%</b>    |

# It's Also Hard to Grow Organic Lending That Fast



- Banks had to increase cash on hand and Treasury/MBS holdings in order to absorb the increase in deposits
- Deposits grew by \$4.3 trillion during the pandemic while lending increased by \$2 trillion
- Cash increased by \$1.4 trillion and Treasury/MBS by \$1.3 trillion

# How Banks Can Classify Securities Holdings

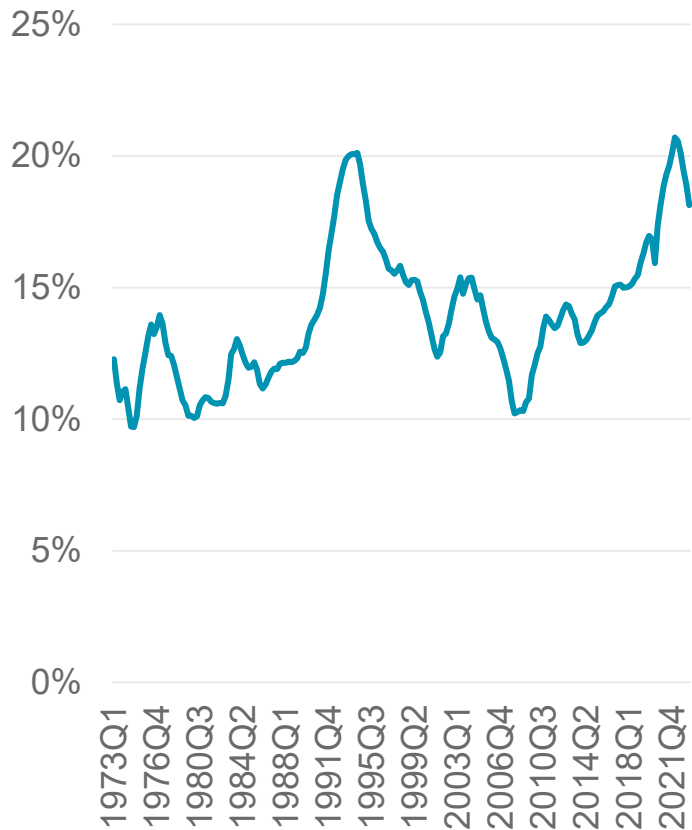


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Total assets grew from \$21.7T to \$27.5T

# Context of Securities Assets Matters

*HTM dominated by U.S.-backed securities, essentially zero credit risk*

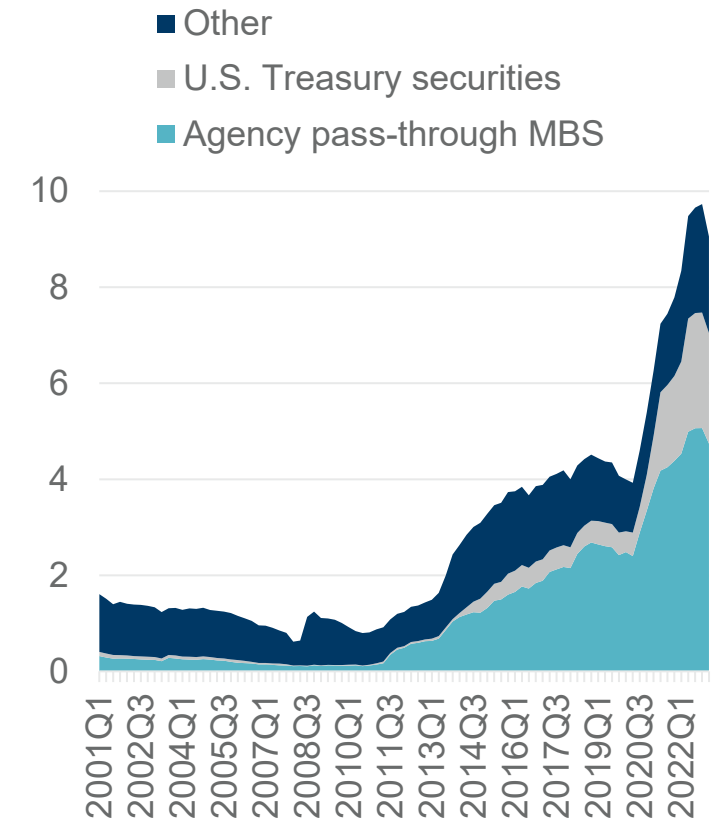
Treasury & Agency % of Total Assets



As % of Total Assets



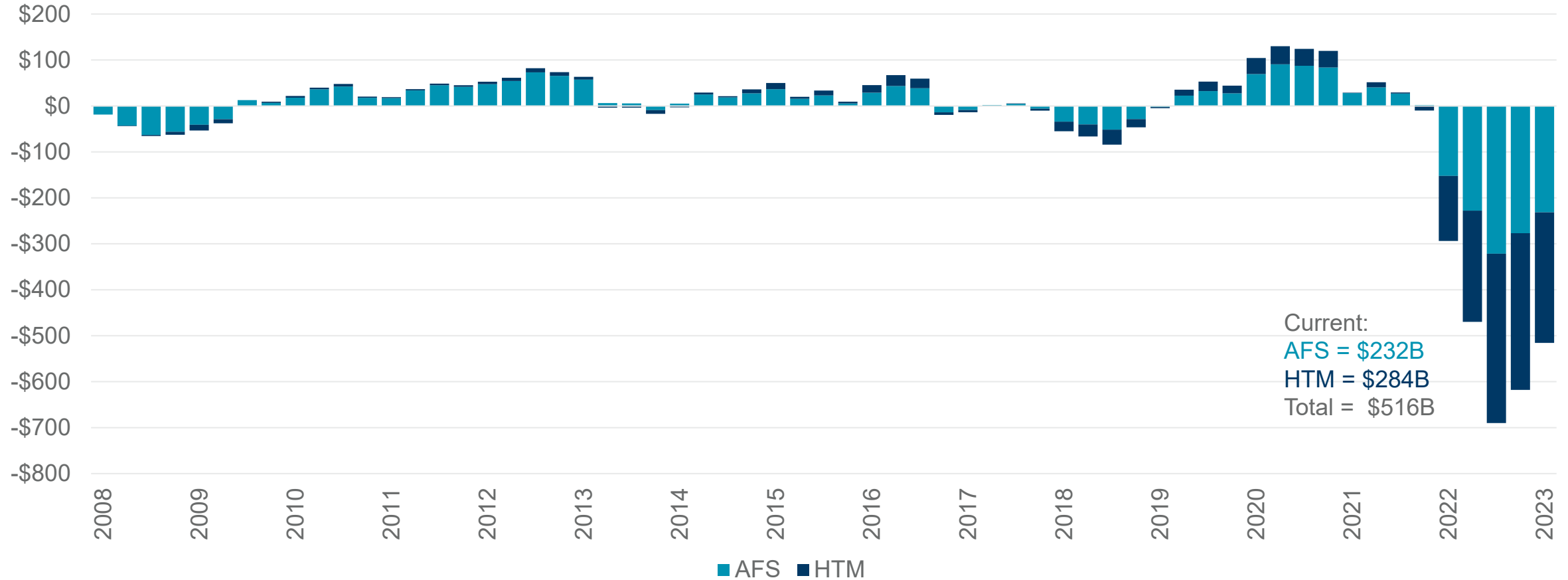
“HTM” Composition (% Total Assets)





# Shocker: Securities Prices Change With Interest Rates!

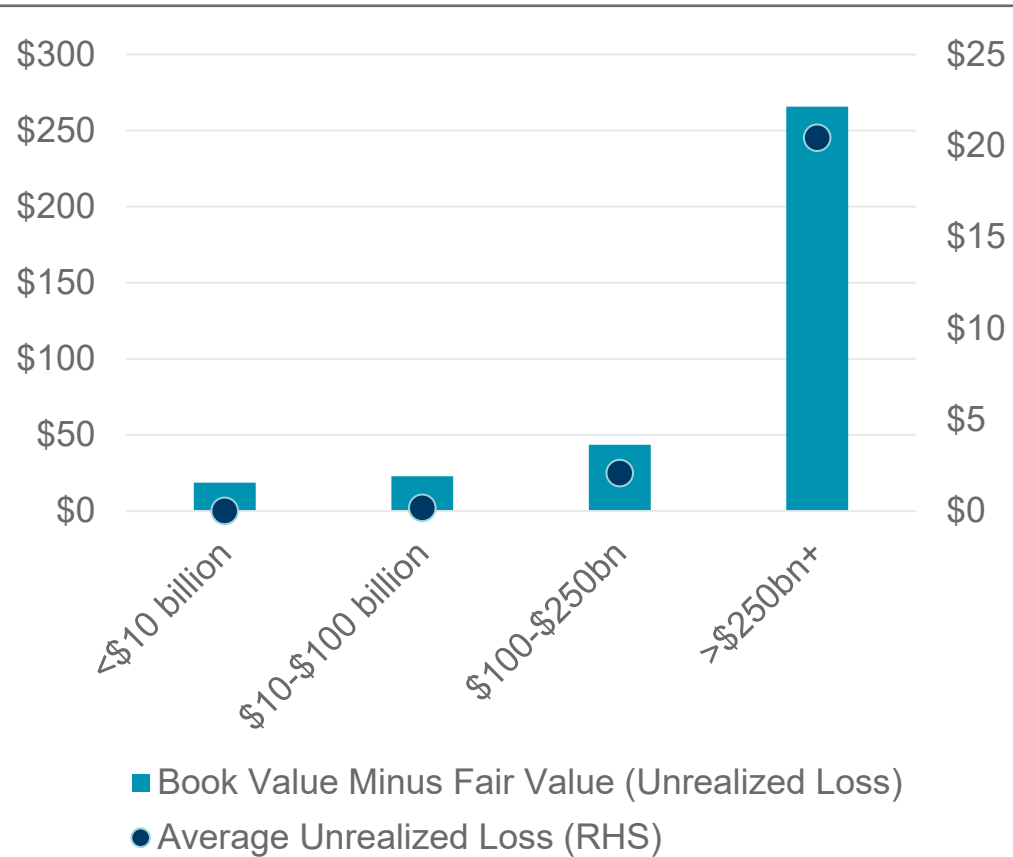
*Unrealized gains/losses on securities portfolios (billions)*



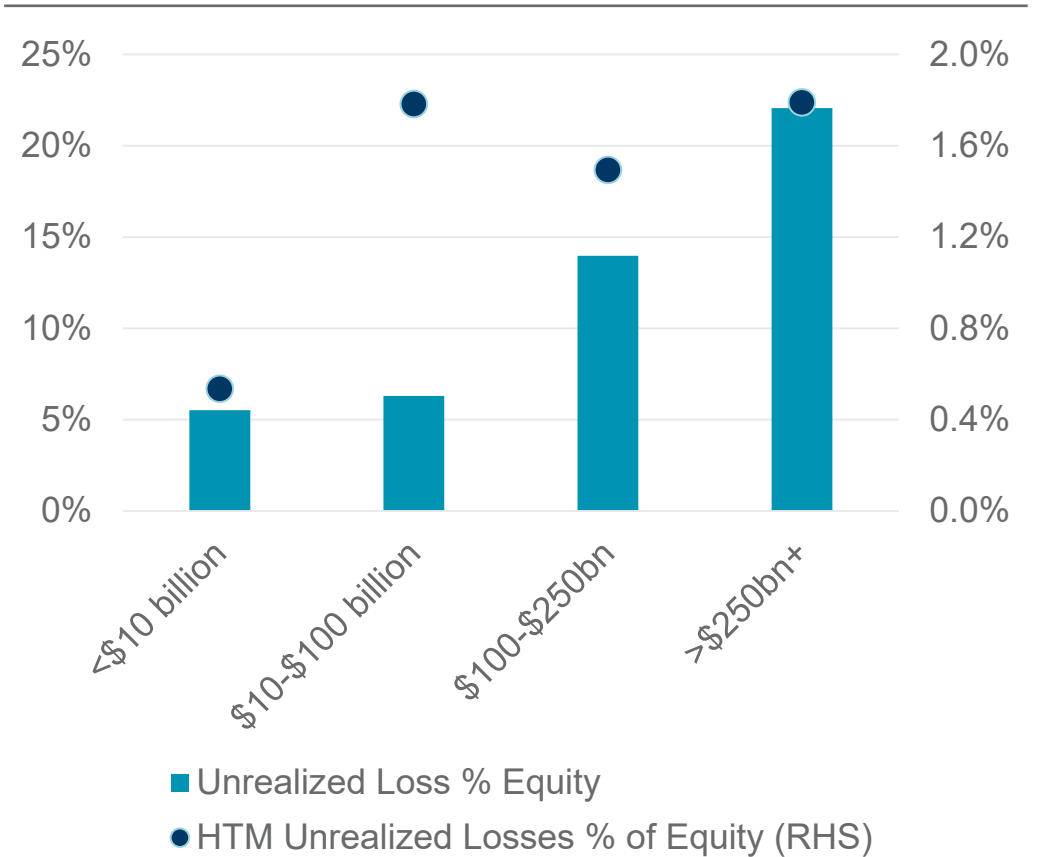
# Unrealized Losses on Securities

Relative exposure by bank size

## Nominal Unrealized Losses (Billions)

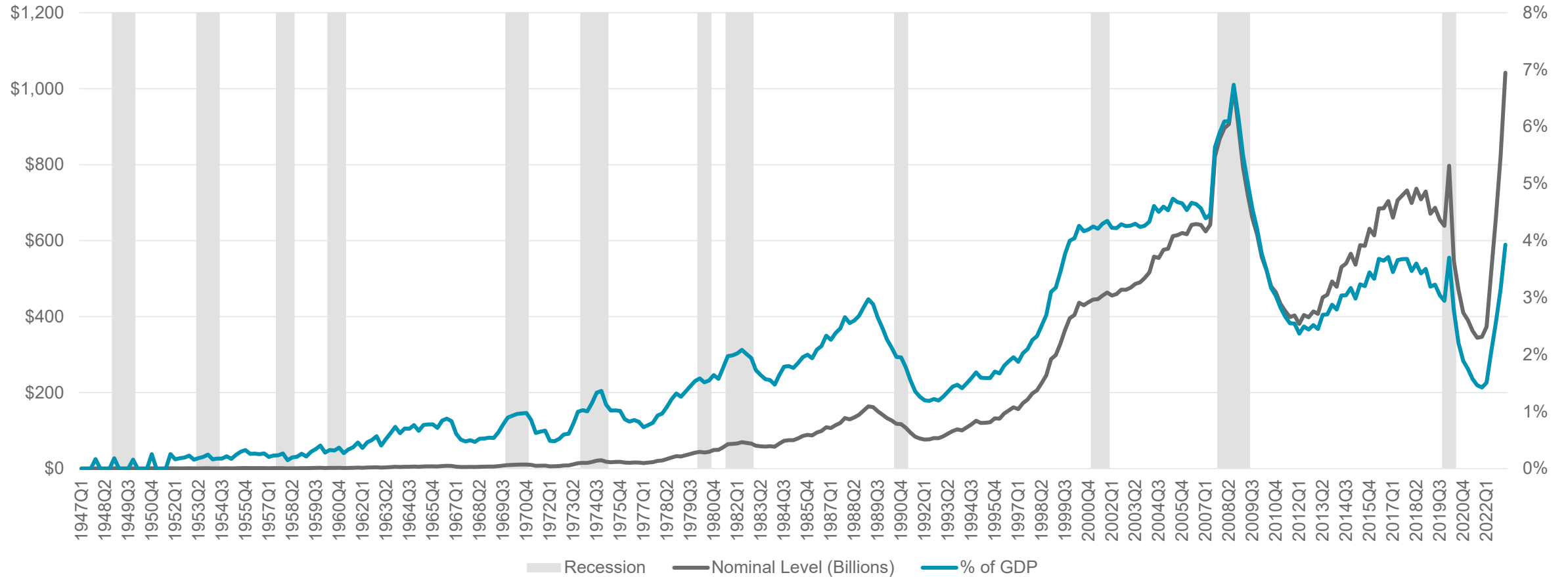


## Nominal Unrealized Losses Relative to Capital



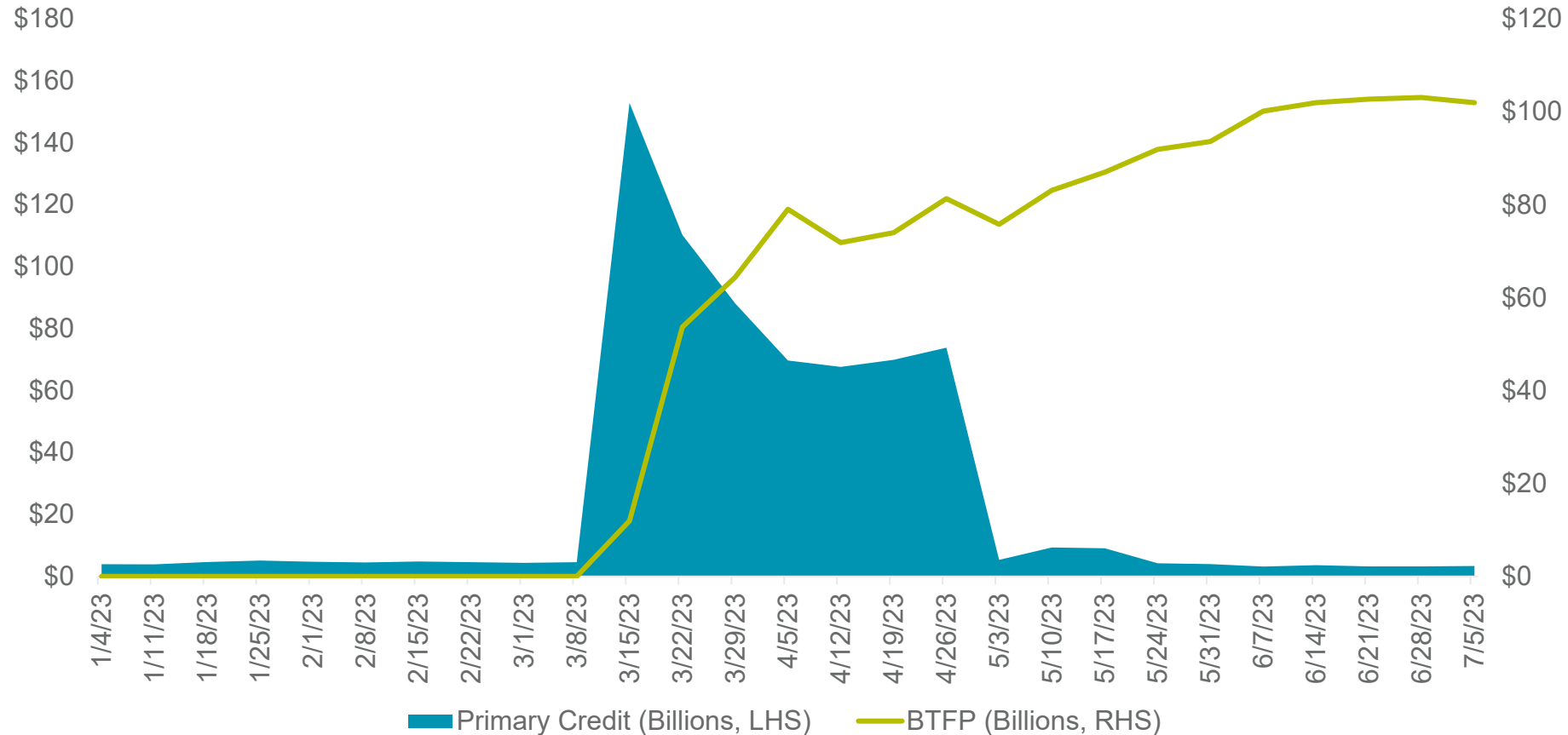
# So...Banks Sought Liquidity

*FHLB advances as a % of GDP*



# And the Fed Came to the Rescue

## Bank Term Funding Program



- The Bank Term Funding Program (BTFP) acted as a backstop for banks facing these unique liquidity challenges, and it shored up confidence so that deposit outflow didn't continue in a more systemic way.
- The BTFP kept the situation from becoming a full-blown larger "run on banks."
- Apart from monitoring bank liquidity, it's important not to get too hung up on the SVB bank event...as the big picture conditions are what really matter for CRE.

# Taking a Step Back....

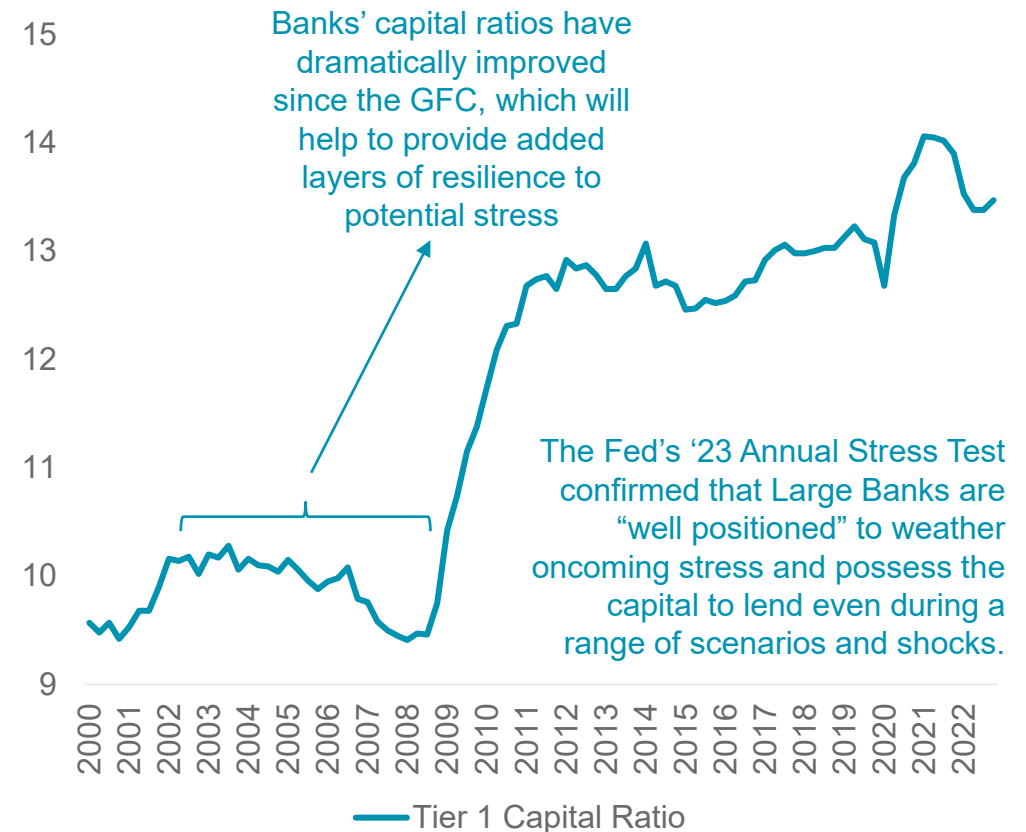
....this isn't the GFC all over again

## 5 Reasons This Is NOT the GFC

1. Bank liquidity is tight, but this is not a banking crisis in the sense that failures were idiosyncratic and acute stress is relatively more isolated
2. Current economy is MUCH stronger vs. the GFC
3. Financial system is MUCH stronger (and additional oversight/rules borne out of this are likely to strengthen banking system further)\*
4. Policymakers had MUCH faster response
5. GFC was a housing crisis – which hit everywhere – this one is not

To read more on the banking sector – recent turmoil and what it means for CRE – see our [Bank FAQ](#).

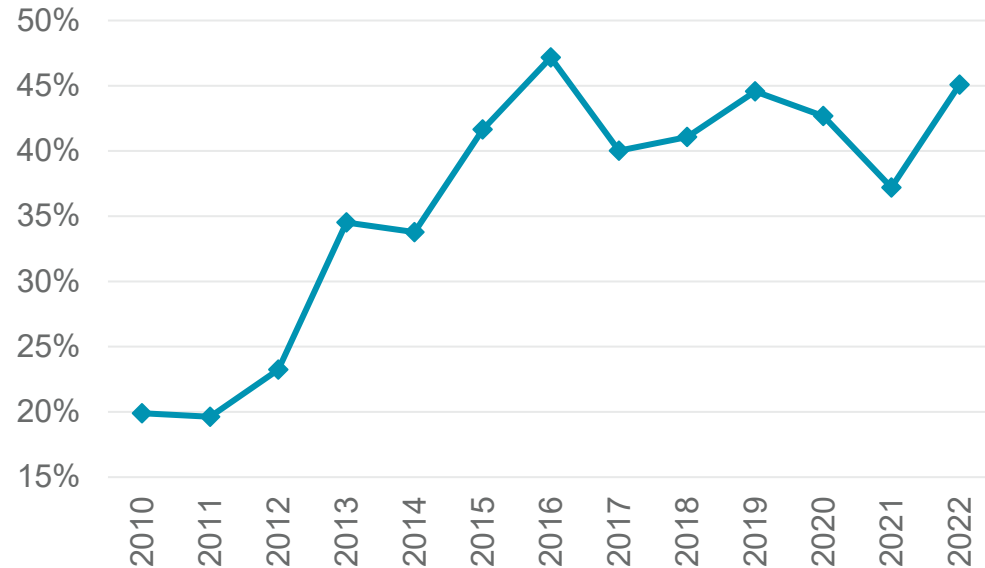
## Large Banks Well-Capitalized to Weather Potential Stress



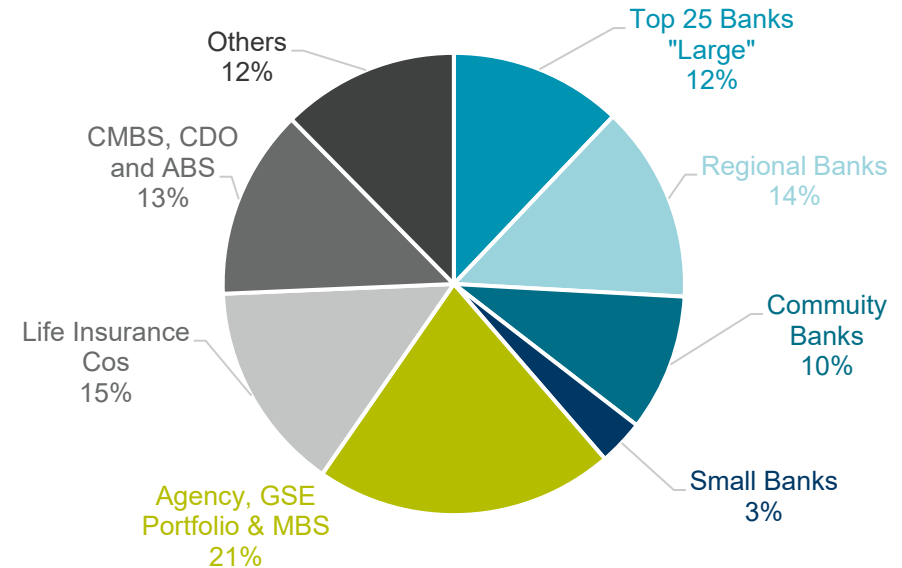
# Banks are Important Lender for CRE

Typically accounting for 40 to 45% of originations

## Bank Originations as Share of Total CRE

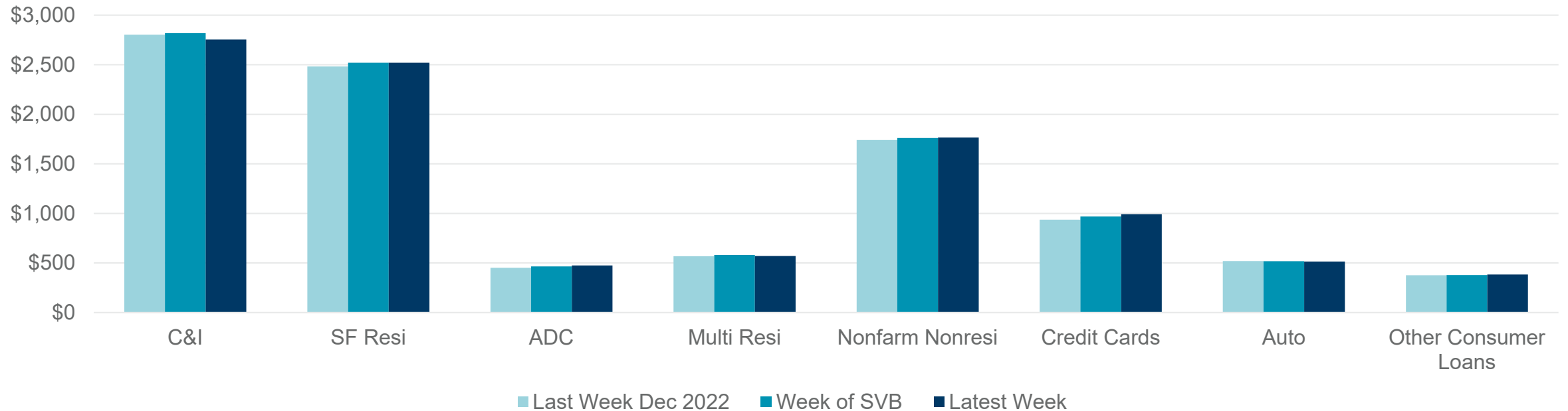


## Share of CRE Debt Outstanding\* ~ of \$4.5 Trillion in Total



- Banks typically account for around 40% to 45% of total CRE financing in any given year.
- Throughout 2022, banks played an even larger role in CRE financing as CMBS and GSE activity retreated.
- Banks also account for about 40% of outstanding income producing debt throughout the CRE universe which totals \$4.5 trillion.
- So, any conversation on broader CRE debt and lending should start with a deeper dive into the conditions facing banks leading up to today and heading into the next chapter.

# Pulse Check on Bank Lending in 2023

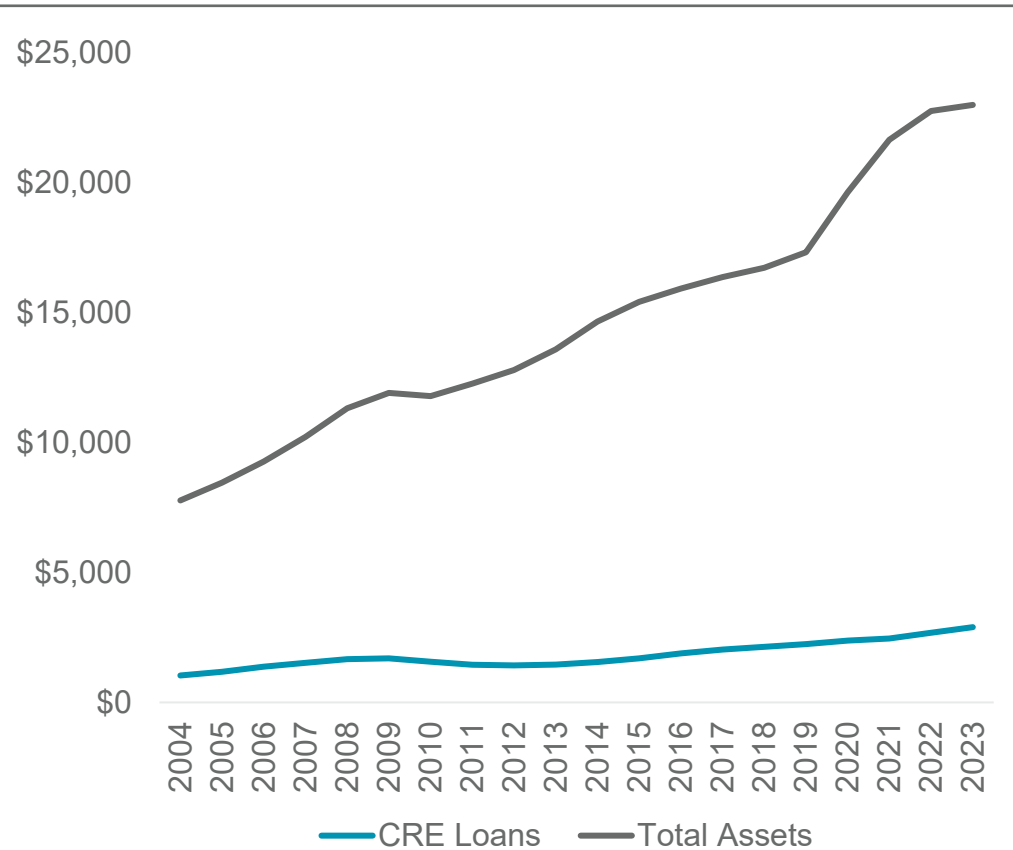


- Some segments have recorded net declines since SVB – including C&I (-2.3%), multifamily (-1.9%) and consumer auto (-0.7%). Single-family residential has been flat.
- Other categories like consumer credit card (+2.5%), ADC (+2.1%) and other consumer loans (+1.2%) have been positive. Note that ~20% of ADC loans are for single-family while ~80% are for nonfarm nonresidential construction.
- Believe it or not, nonfarm nonresidential (+0.2%) has been mildly positive. Note that ~35% of nonfarm nonresidential loans are owner-occupied (and are not income producing per se).

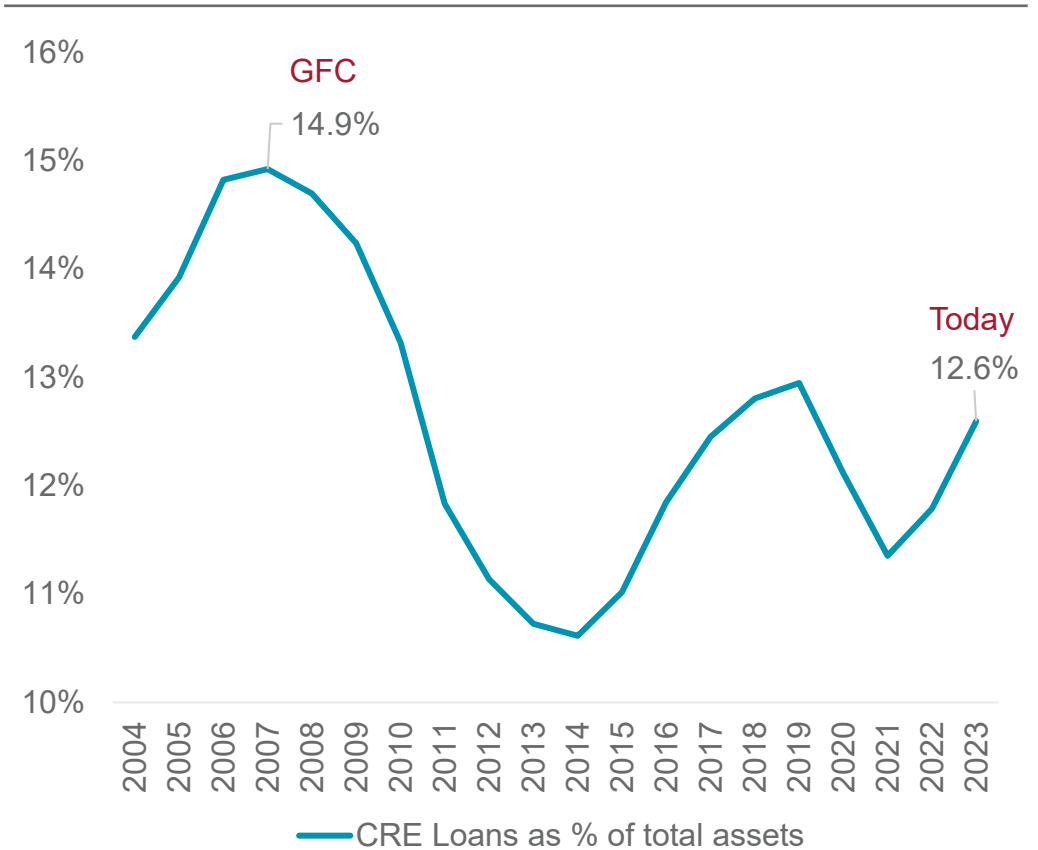
# CRE Exposure is Manageable for Most Banks

...but now we are thinking about credit (not liquidity) risk

### Total Assets vs. CRE Loans (Billions)



### CRE Loans as % of Total Assets



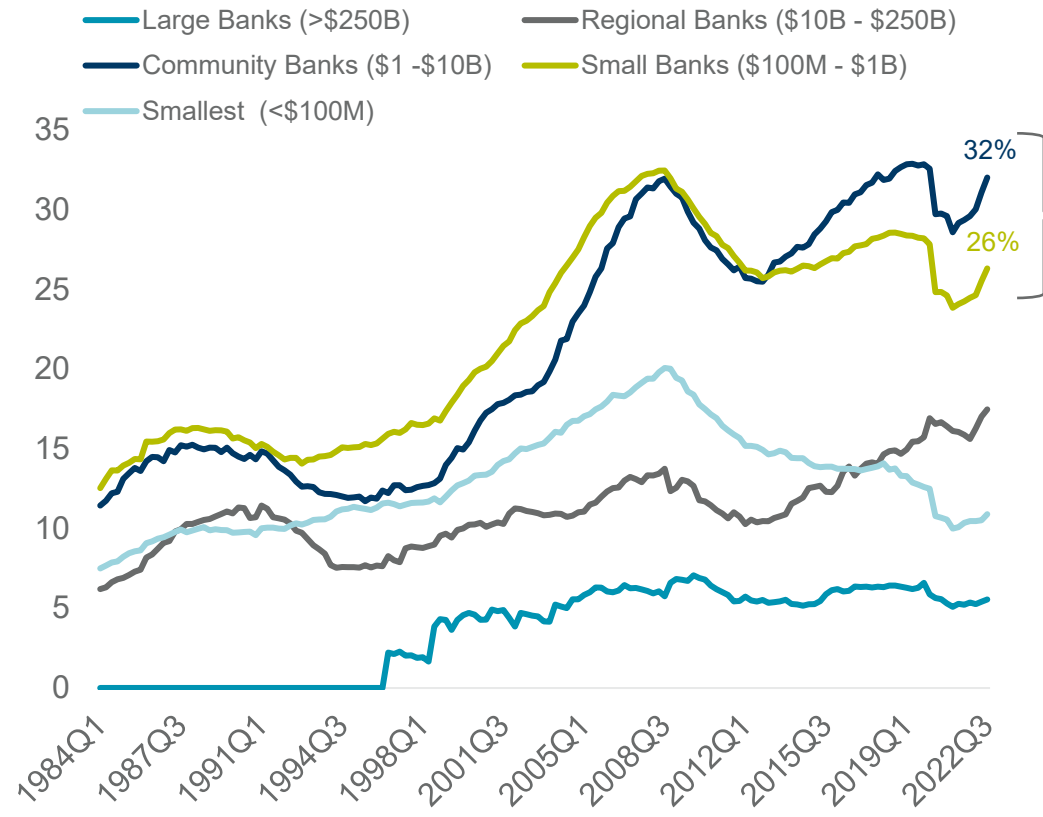
Source: Federal Reserve. Note: CRE loans include farm lending, although this is a small proportion of CRE loans.



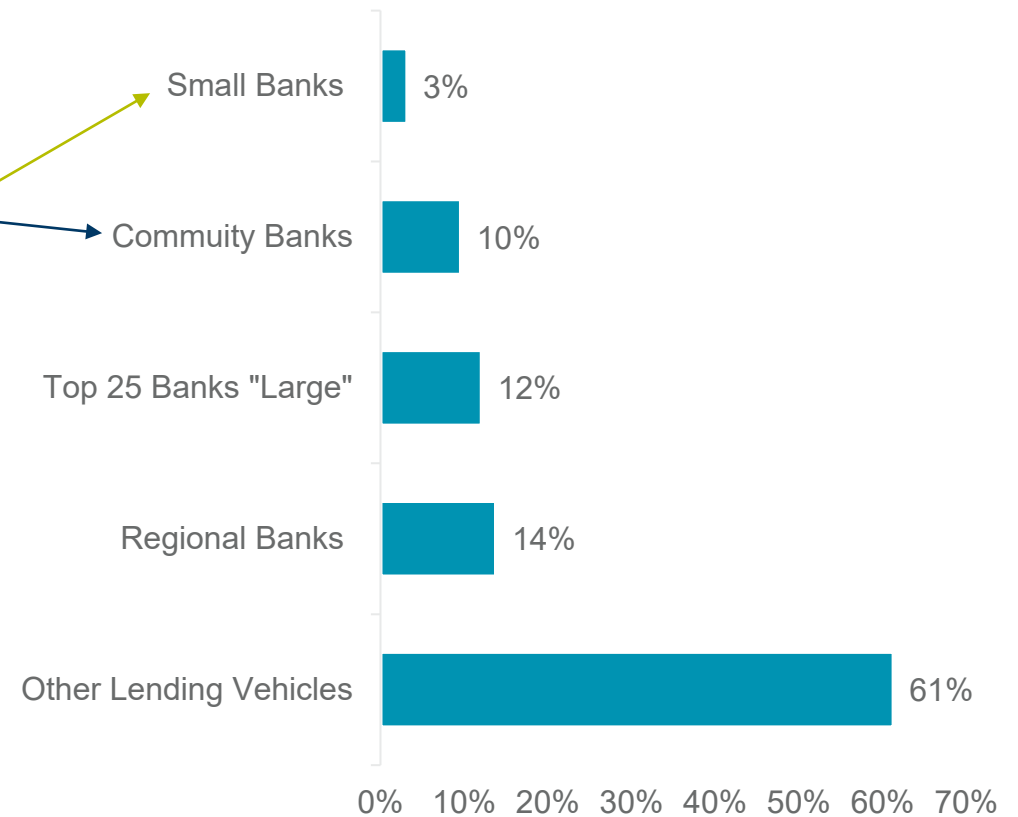
# Small & Community Banks Have More Exposure

...but their shares of outstanding CRE debt is relatively low

## CRE Loans % of Total Assets



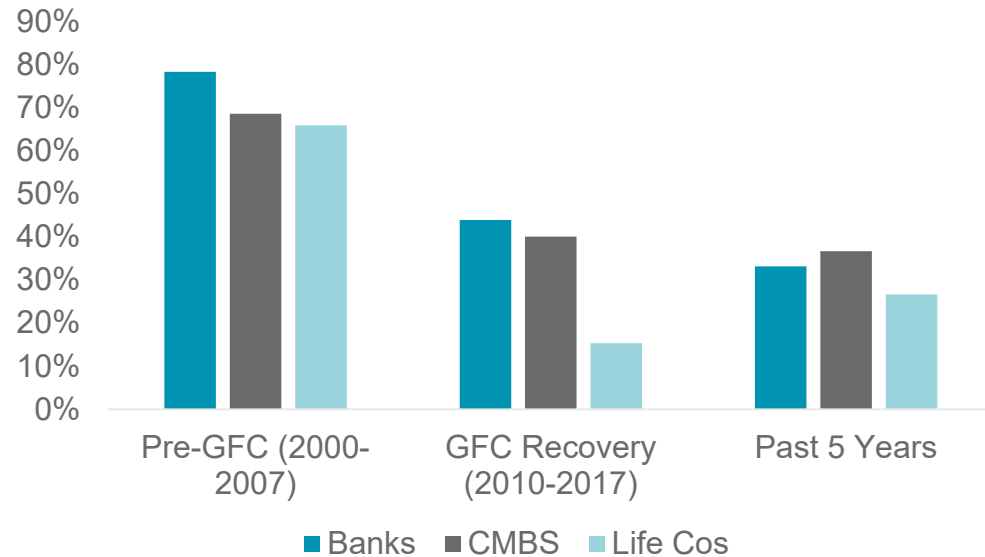
## Share of CRE Debt Outstanding



Source: FDIC, Mortgage Bankers Association. Note: Share of Total Debt Outstanding does not equate to 100% because other non-bank lender types were excluded from the visualization.

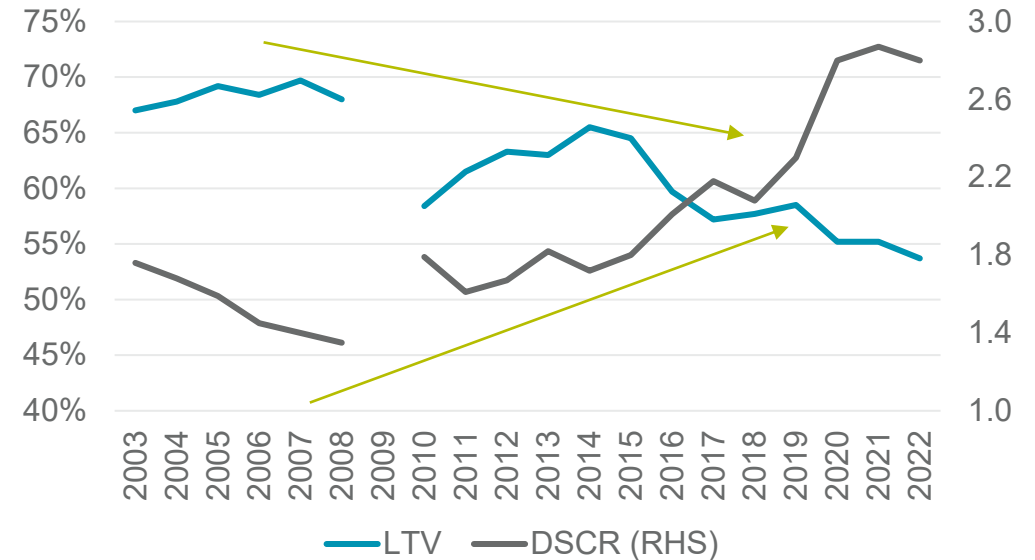
# Lenders Were More Disciplined This Go Around

## Share of CRE Loans Over 65% LTV by Time Frame



- Leading up to the GFC, LTVs were upwards of 73% for Banks and in the mid- to high-60s% for Life Cos and CMBS. More than 60% of loans were made above 65% LTV across lender types.
- Owners now have more skin in the game, with LTVs trending lower at high-50s to mid-60s%, helping to insulate them from facing underwater circumstances as values reset.

## CMBS Underwriting: Better Buffers for Debt-service Post-GFC



- DSCRs were very healthy in recent years, averaging 2.5 over the 2017-2022 period, so owners have had more than double the NOI needed to pay their monthly mortgage (even if dramatically rising debt costs will stress floating rate and maturing mortgages).
- Keep in mind that it's primarily the lower quality assets that are more exposed to weakening NOI (think low quality office) that will face the greatest challenges.

# And Better Supply Fundamentals

*Occupancy going into recession for CRE sector*



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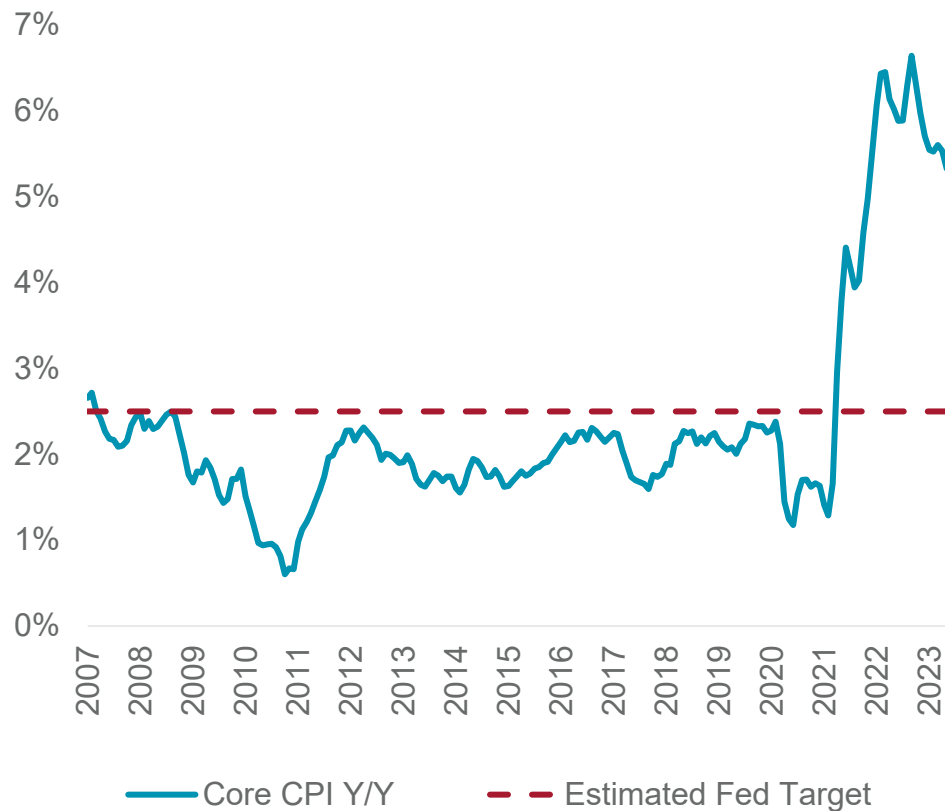
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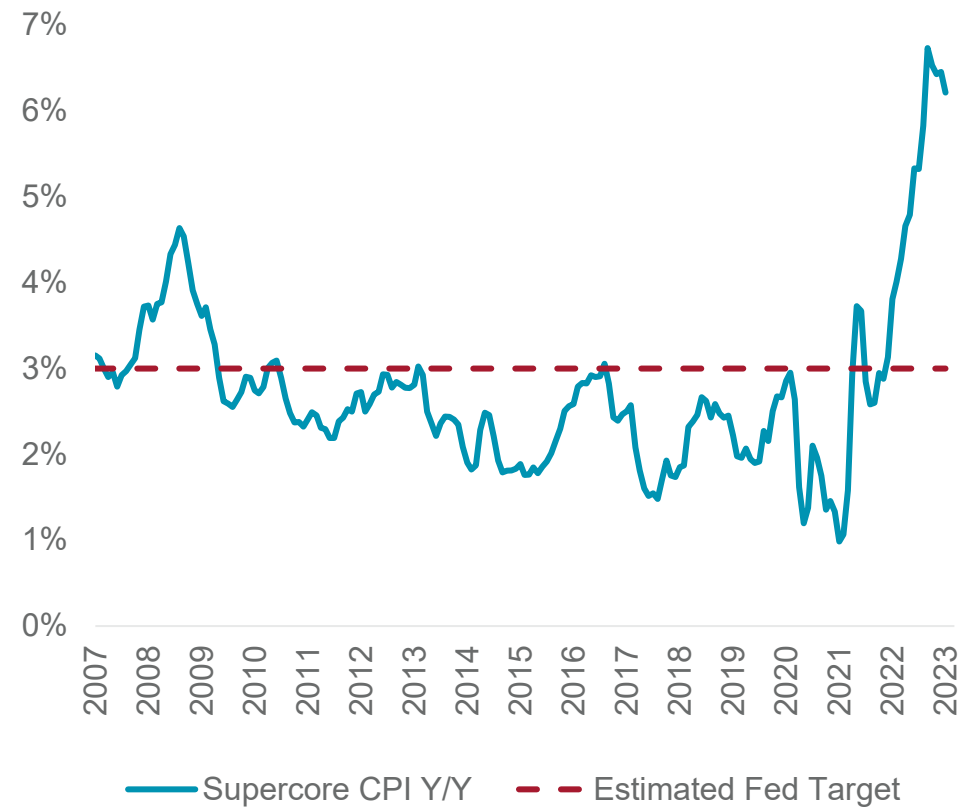
# Key Measures of Inflation are Still Running Too Hot

*Year-over-year changes mask recent stabilization or reacceleration on a 3- and 6-month basis*

## Core Inflation (Less Food & Energy)



## Supercore Inflation (Core Services Excluding Shelter)

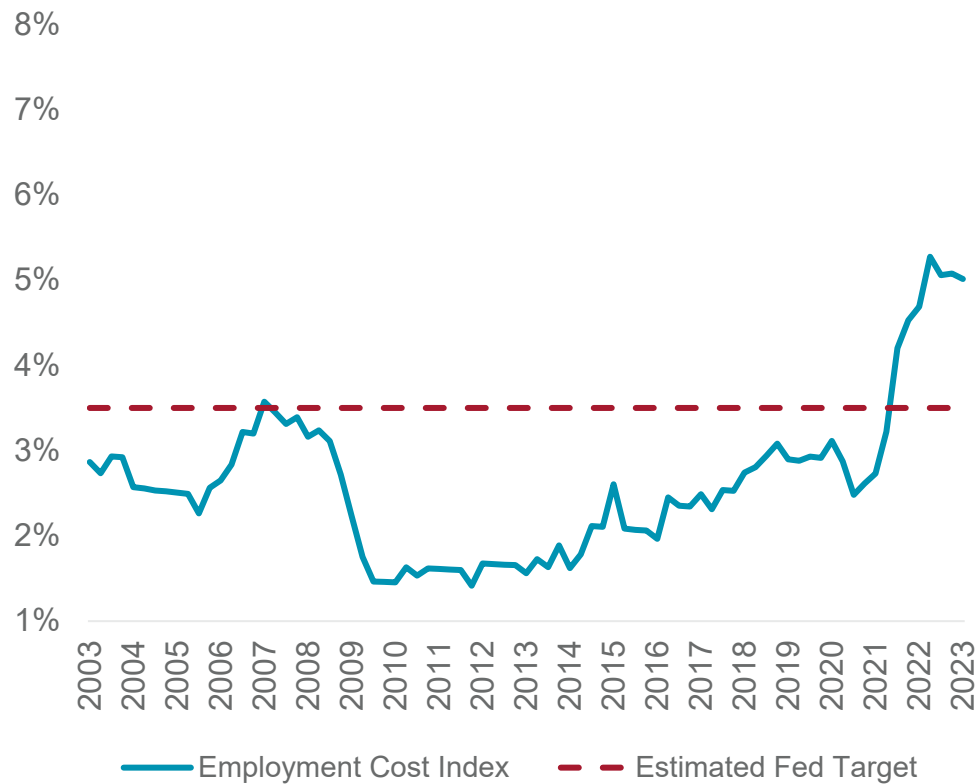


Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. Note: [Shelter costs lag in terms of their impact on CPI inflation](#). \*The Fed's estimated target for Core CPI is 2.5%; an estimated target for supercore is not widely or formally noted from the Fed, but 3.0% is provided as a reference point.

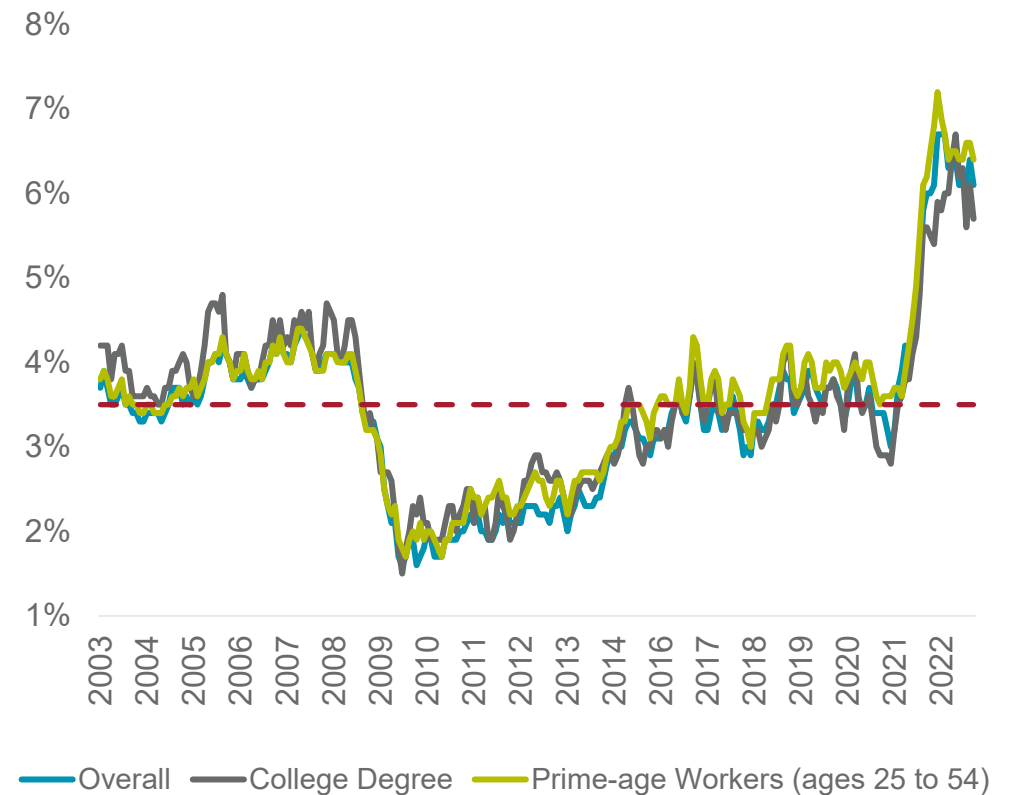
# Wage Growth Must Cool to Bring Inflation Down

*Labor market tightness contributing to sustained wage pressure*

## BLS Employment Cost Index

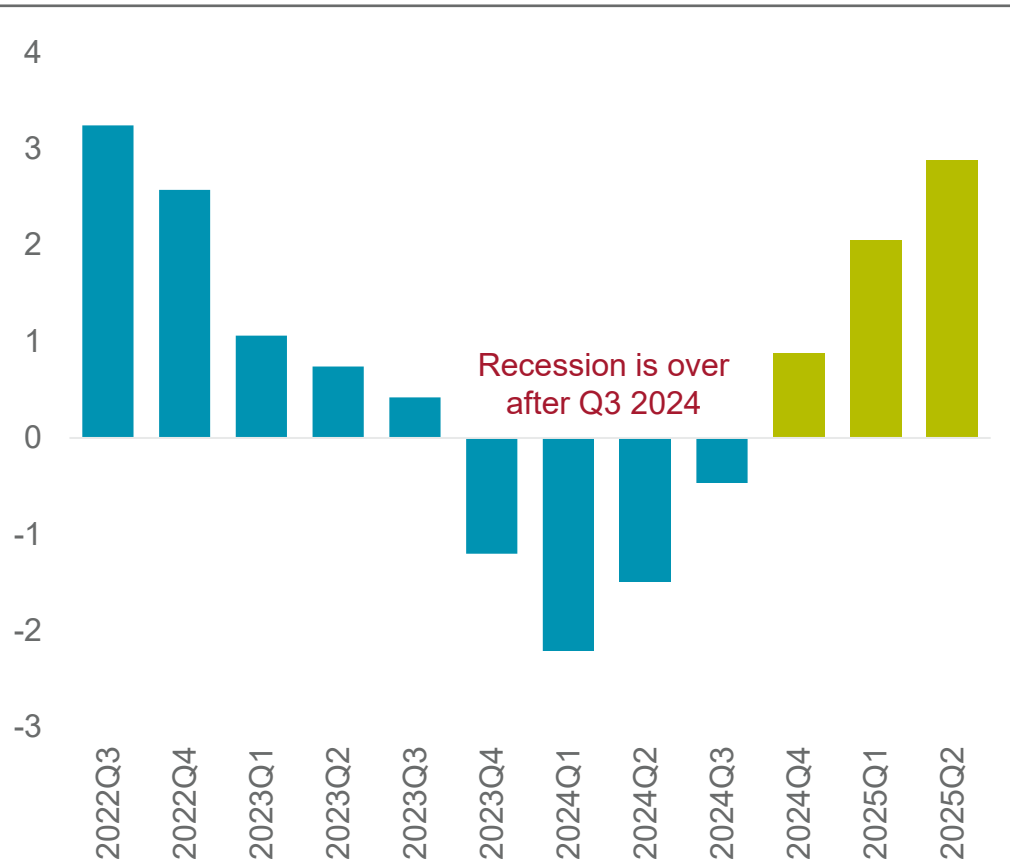


## Atlanta Fed Wage Growth Tracker

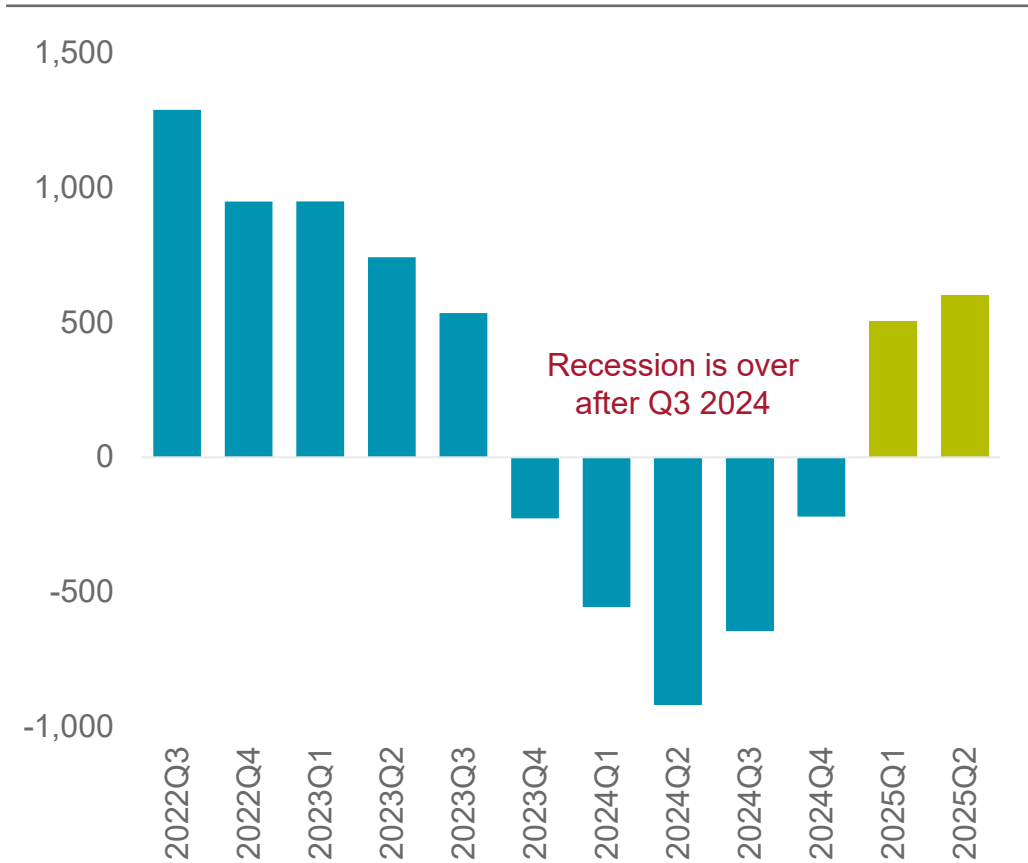


# U.S. Economy Expected to Enter Recession 'Soon'

## Real GDP Growth, Annualized Rate (%)



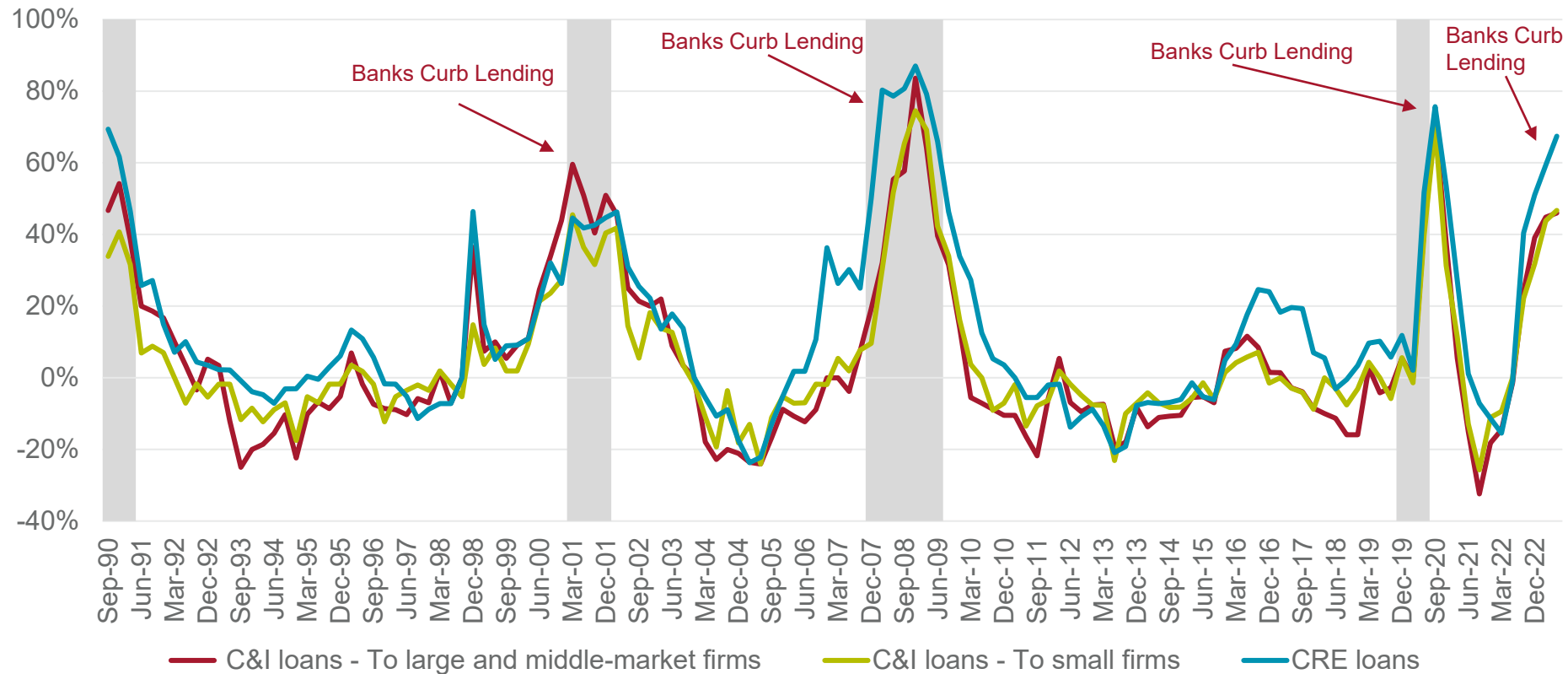
## Job Growth (000's)



# Must Pass Other Macroeconomic Milestones First

*The credit-flow story extends to all types of businesses (not just the CRE sector)*

## Net Percent of Banks Tightening Standards (%)

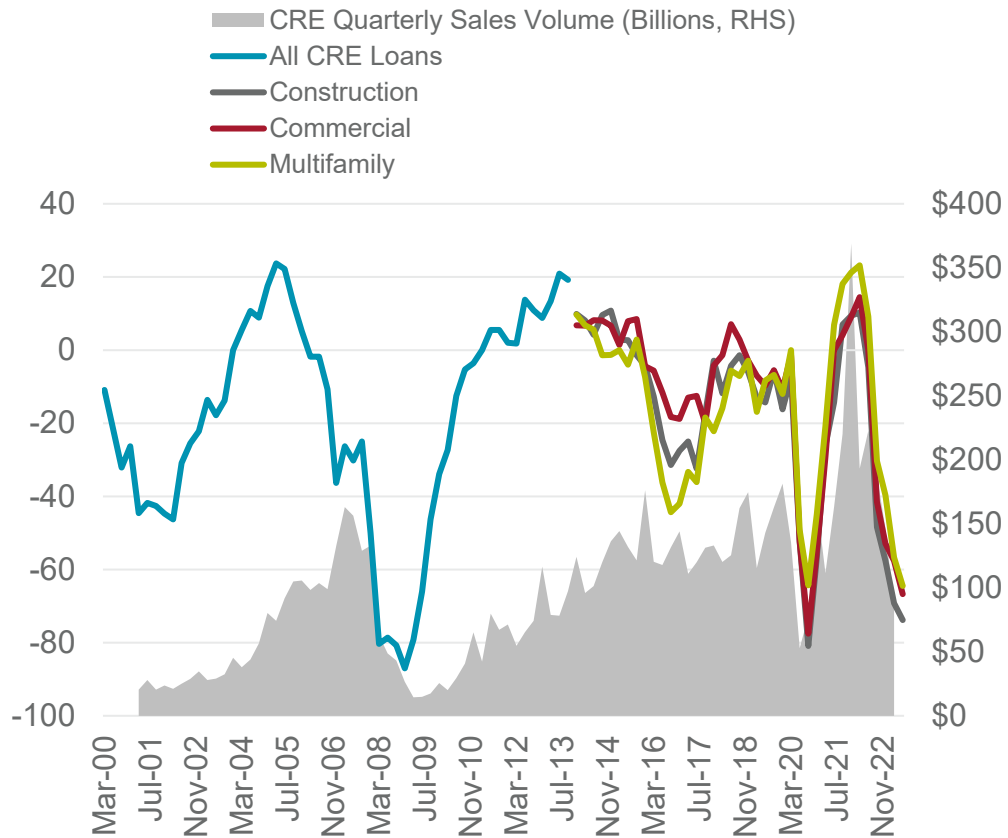


- Approximately 1-2 quarters ahead of a recession, >40% banks report tightening lending standards.
- As standards tighten, business, consumer and investor sentiment typically falters as well.
- Banks and other lenders typically begin loosening credit standards towards the end of a recession.
- In the current downcycle, pencil in a gradual thawing in the credit markets (both the business and CRE sectors) to start H1 2024.

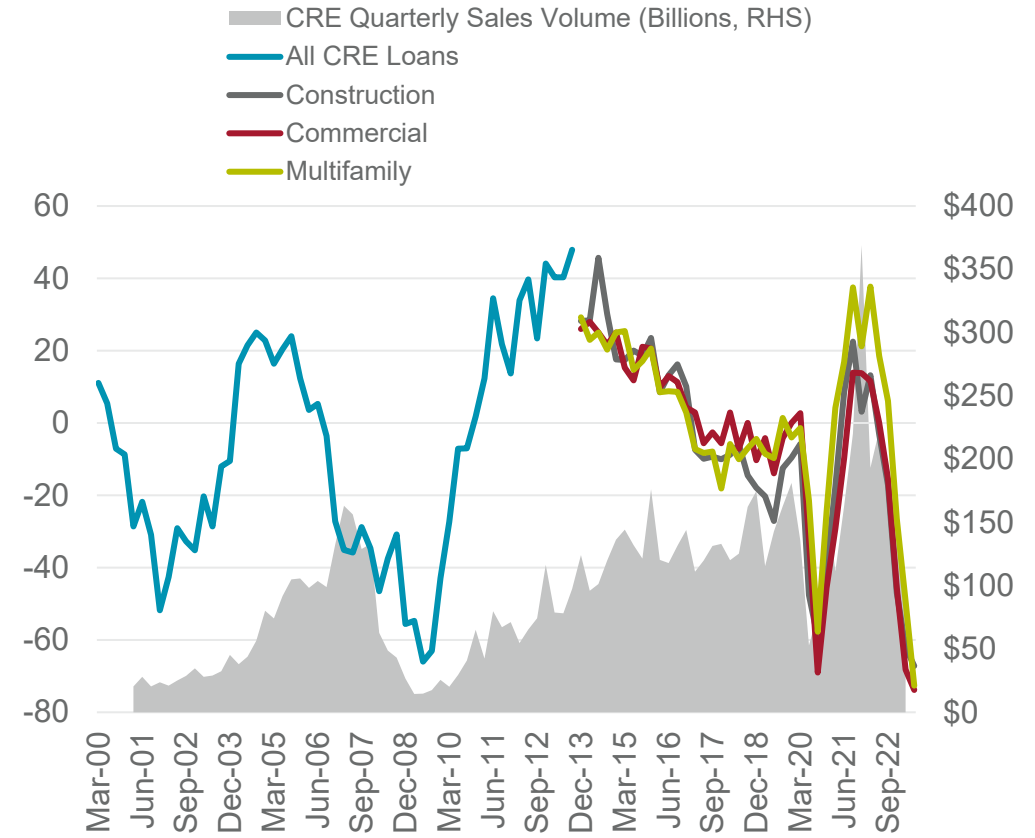


# Impact of Tighter Lending Standards on CRE Investment

% of Loan Officers Tightening Standards (Inverted) Alongside CRE Transaction Volume



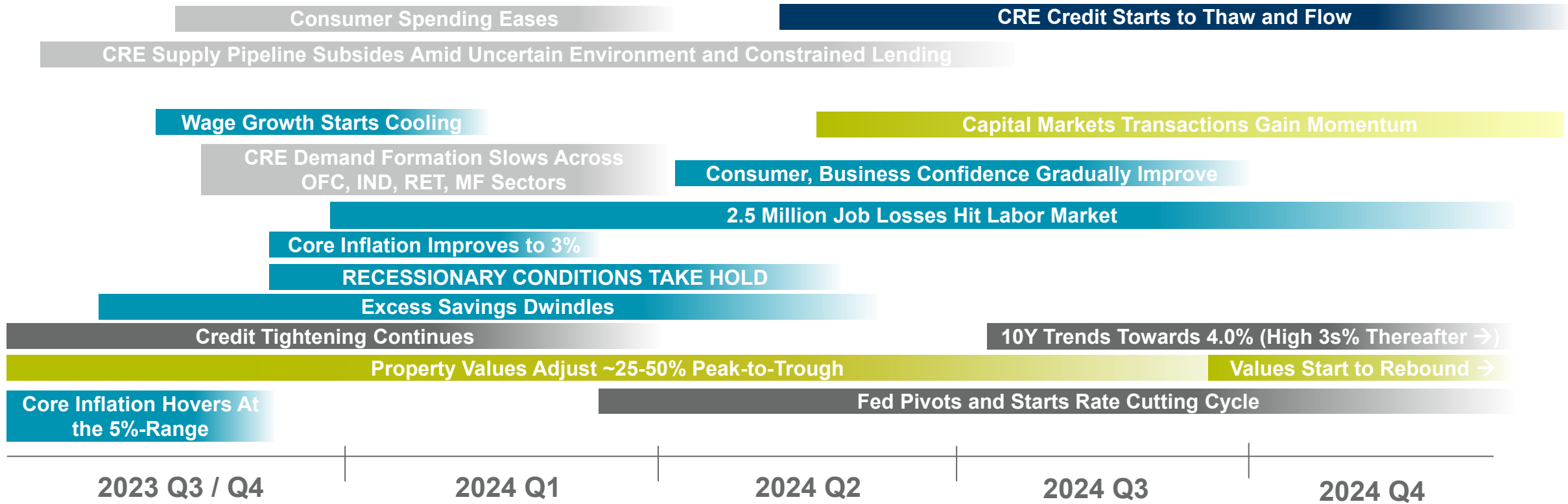
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# C&W's Baseline Glide Path

Glide path timeline for key indicators

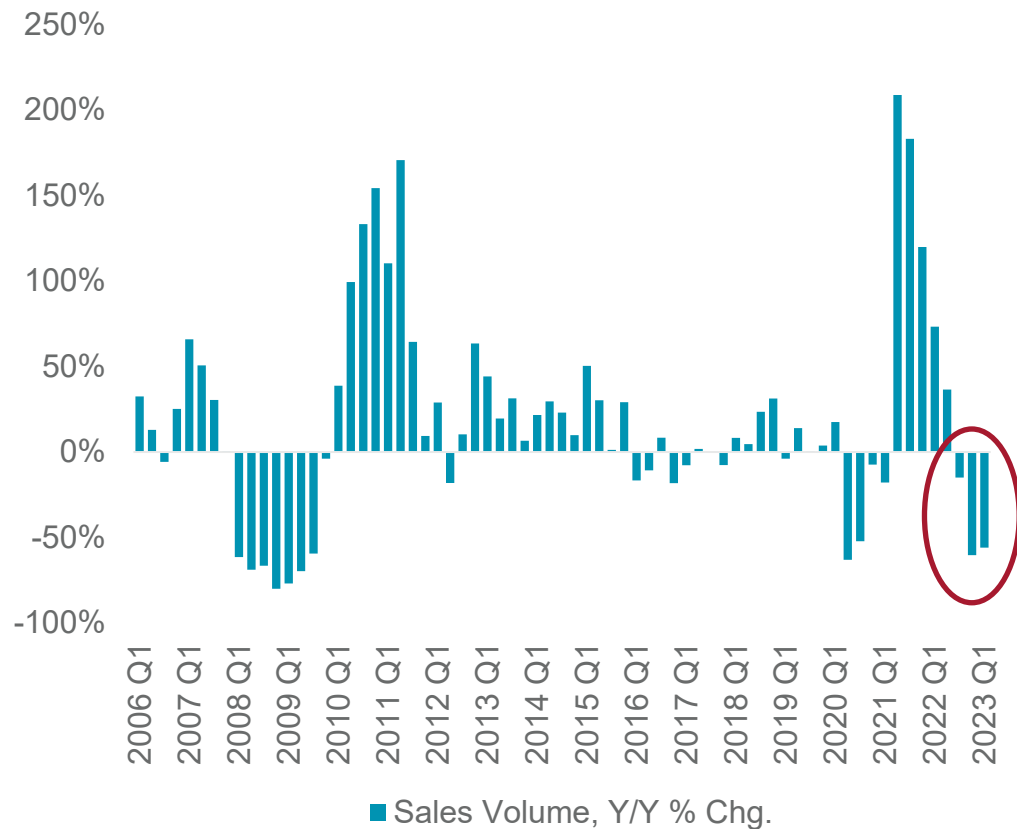
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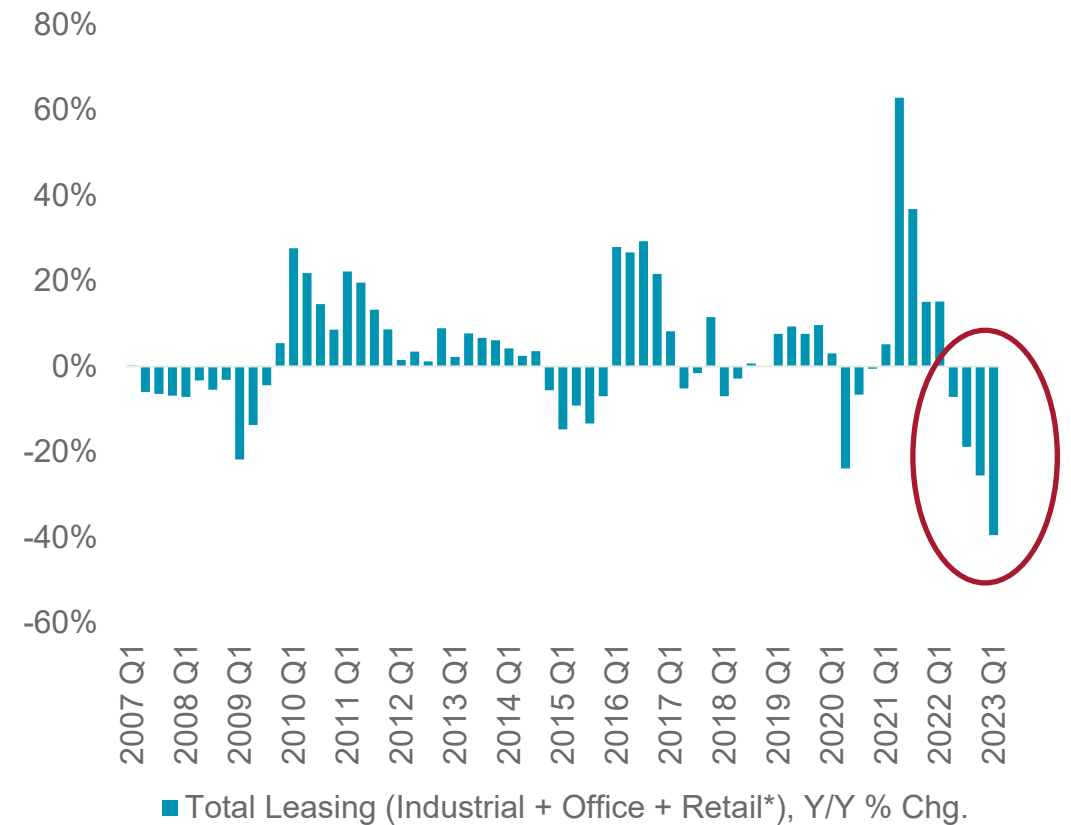
# In Case You Didn't Get the Memo...

...U.S. CRE is already in a recession

## U.S. Sales Volume Downturn

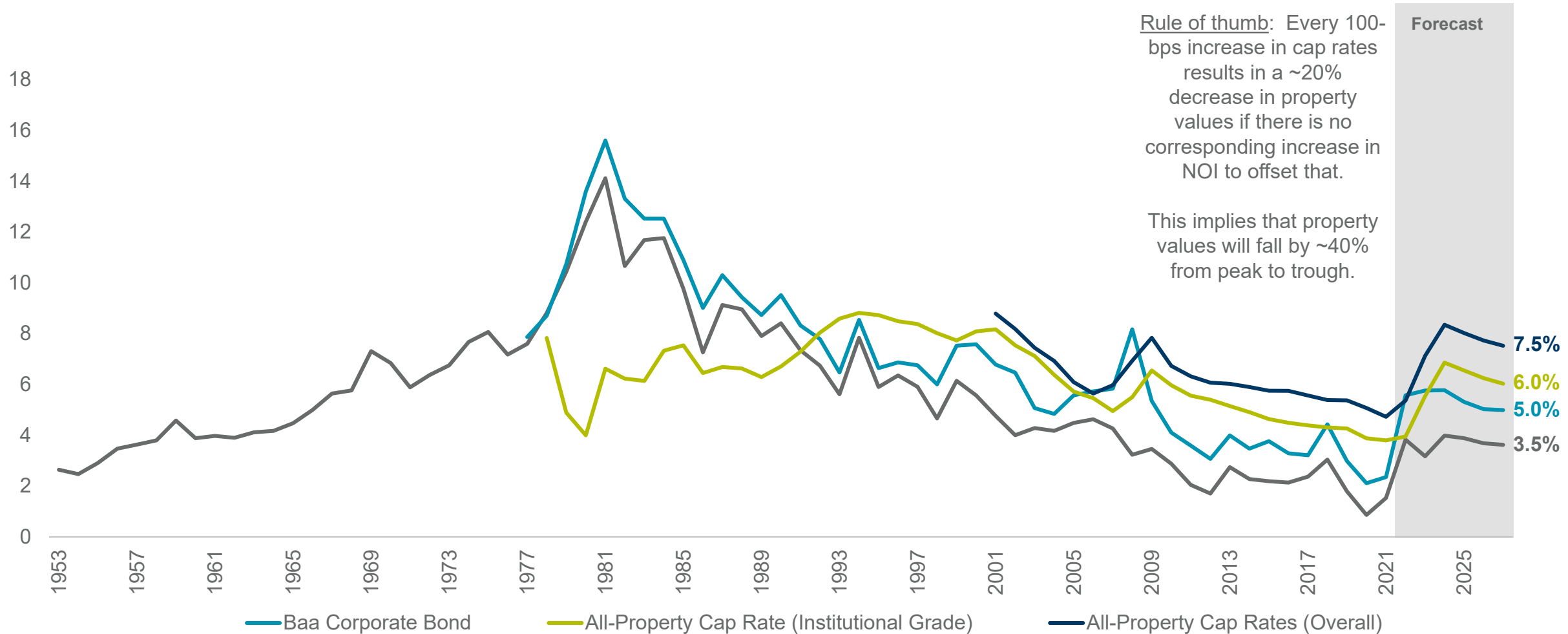


## U.S. Leasing Volume Downturn



# Higher Debt Costs Mean U.S. Cap Rates go to 6.0% - 7.5%

*CRE cap rates must adjust upward to remain attractive as a comparative asset class*



Source: Federal Reserve, Moody's Investor Services, NCREIF, MSCI Real Capital Analytics, Cushman & Wakefield Research. Note: \*All-property cap rate comprised of industrial, multifamily, office and retail, weighted by each sector's share of sales from 2018-2022.

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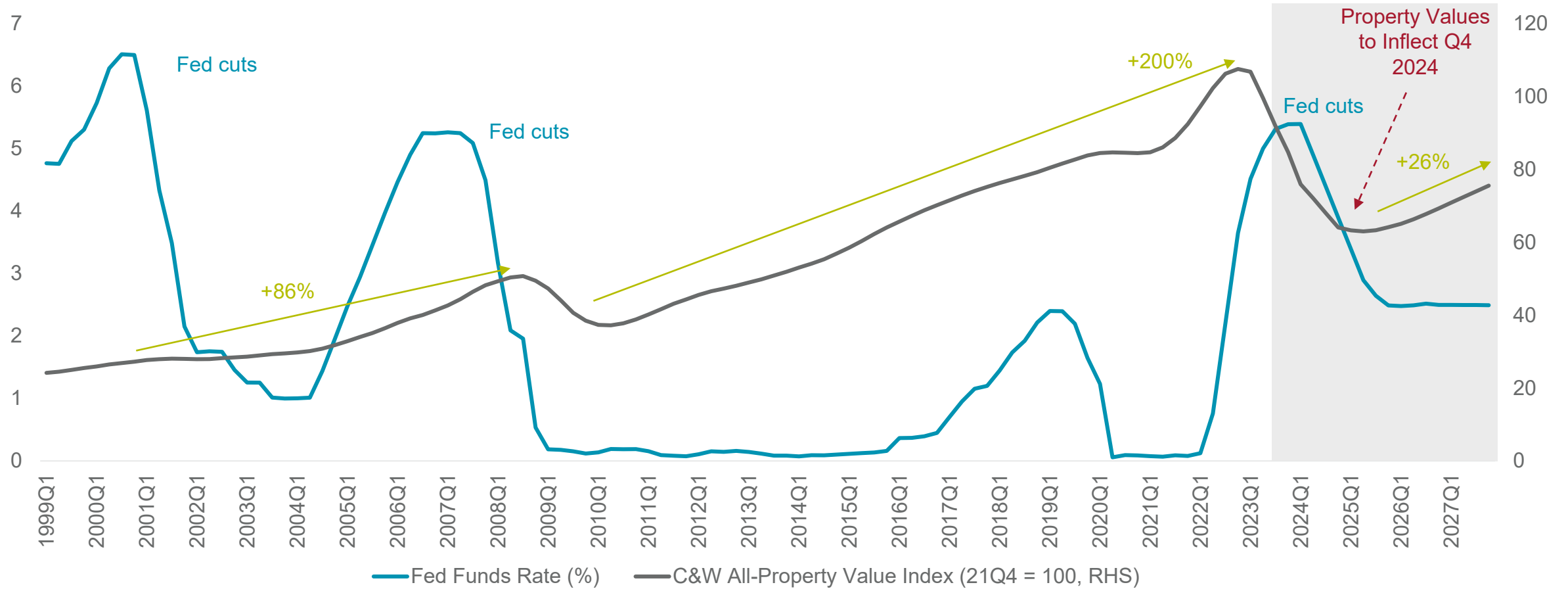
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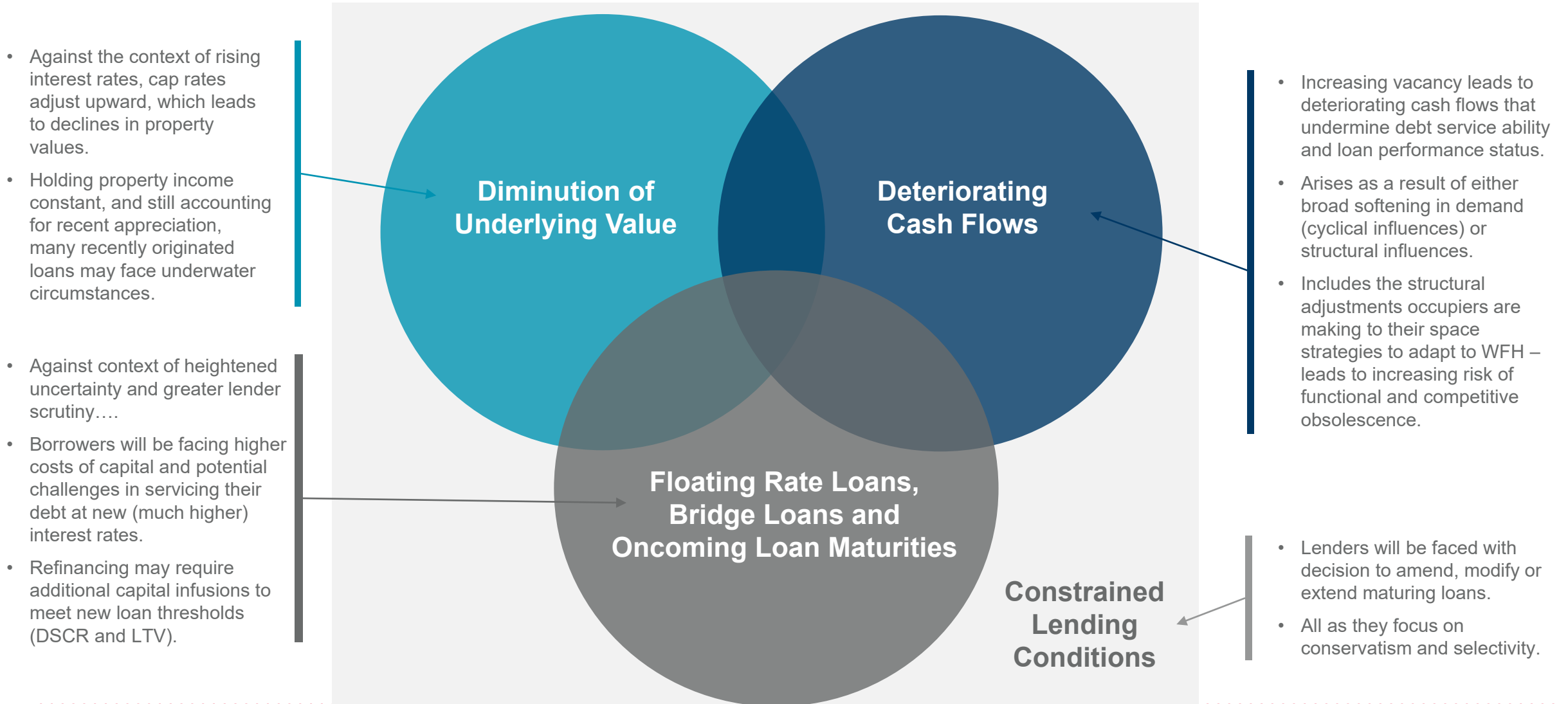
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# Historically, Fed Pivot Signals Nadir in Pricing



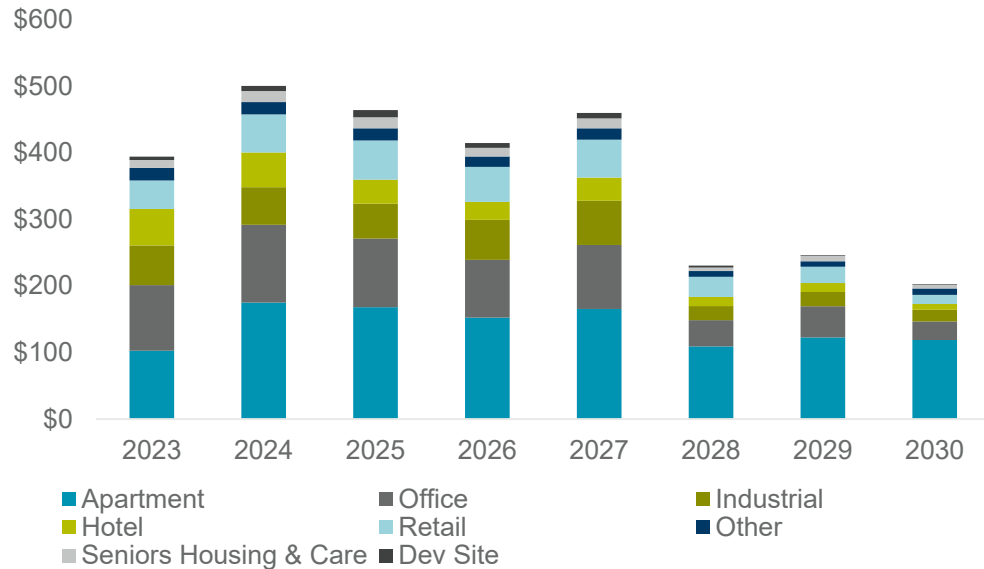
# Triggers to Stress & Distress = Confluence of Factors

*Quantifying stress/distress involves overlaying several factors against the context of constrained lending conditions*



# Cross-Sector Loan Maturities Vary by Magnitude

## Loan Maturities by Sector (Billions)



## \$318B of Office Loan Maturities Through 2025

| Billions                      | 2023        | 2024         | 2025         |
|-------------------------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|
| Total Maturities              | \$394       | \$501        | \$464        |
| <b>Office Maturities</b>      | <b>\$98</b> | <b>\$117</b> | <b>\$103</b> |
| Bank Maturities               | \$115       | \$171        | \$88         |
| <b>Bank Office Maturities</b> | <b>\$28</b> | <b>\$40</b>  | <b>\$33</b>  |

- Loan maturities will remain a challenge and will fuel demand for rescue capital, particularly because borrowers will be facing higher capital costs, constrained lending availability, and increasingly restrictive standards and terms.
- Many recently originated loans were of floating rate debt structure and will face acute challenge. As a result, loan maturity arises as a particular trigger to oncoming stress / distress.
- As the wave of maturities pushes properties to adjust to today's new environment, this will likely pave the way for price discovery and the potential for more transaction activity.



# Quantifying One Layer of Distress: Increasing Obsolescence

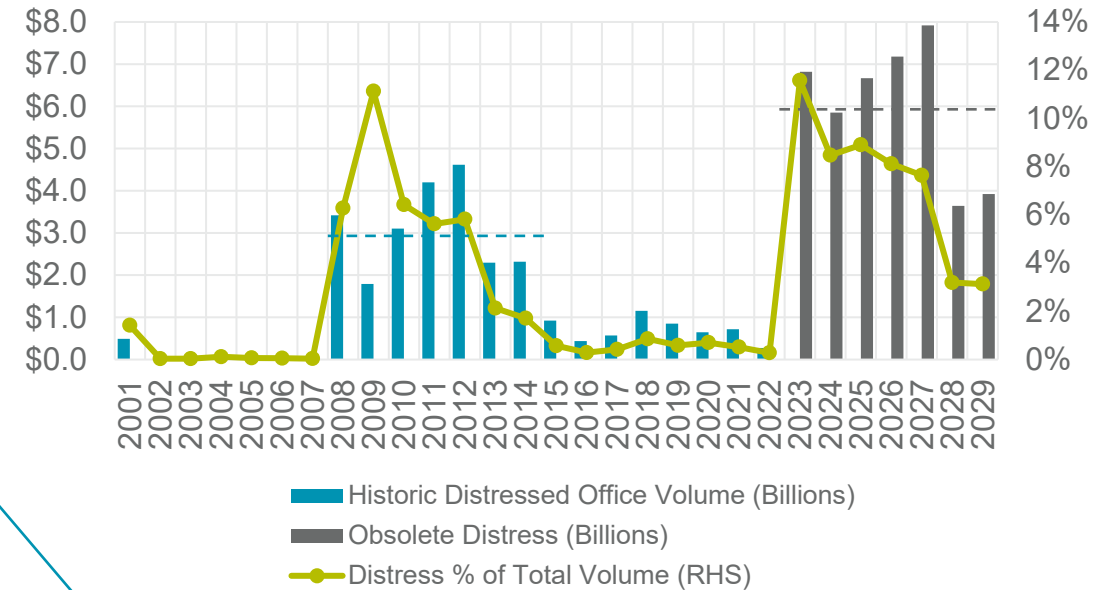
...and drilling specifically into office...

## Distress Linked Directly to Obsolescence

| <b>Total</b>  |                      |
|---|----------------------|
| Obsolete SF at Risk   | 330 MSF              |
| Value Prior to Reset (average P/SF since 2014, Bottom Tier) | \$130 P/SF           |
| <b>Total Asset Value Facing Risk of Distress</b>            | <b>\$42 Billion</b>  |
| <b>Average Per Year</b>                                     | <b>\$6.0B / year</b> |

- One approach to quantifying distress is to utilize excess vacancy (330 MSF) and apply average psf value estimates prior to the pricing reset to arrive at estimated total value figures, which can be extended across a distress transaction cycle (last distress cycle unfolded over seven years during/after GFC) – See chart on the right.

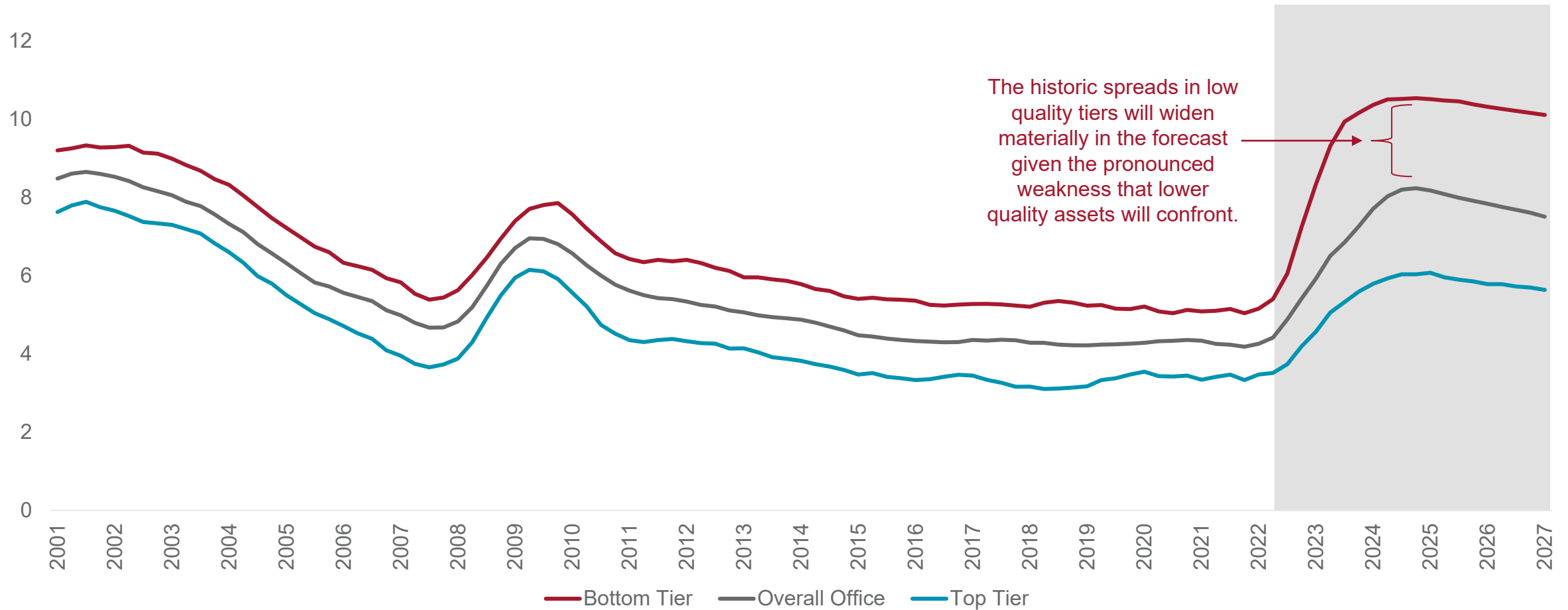
## ...Overlaid Against Historic Office Distress



- Overlaying the \$42 billion estimated annual distressed volume across a seven-year forecast horizon shows that distressed volume will reach and exceed GFC-peak levels.
- On a share (%) of total volume basis, obsolescence-related distress is expected to average 7.3%, and trend below the GFC prior peak of 11% recorded in 2009.

# Anything “Not Trophy” Faces Even Greater Pressure

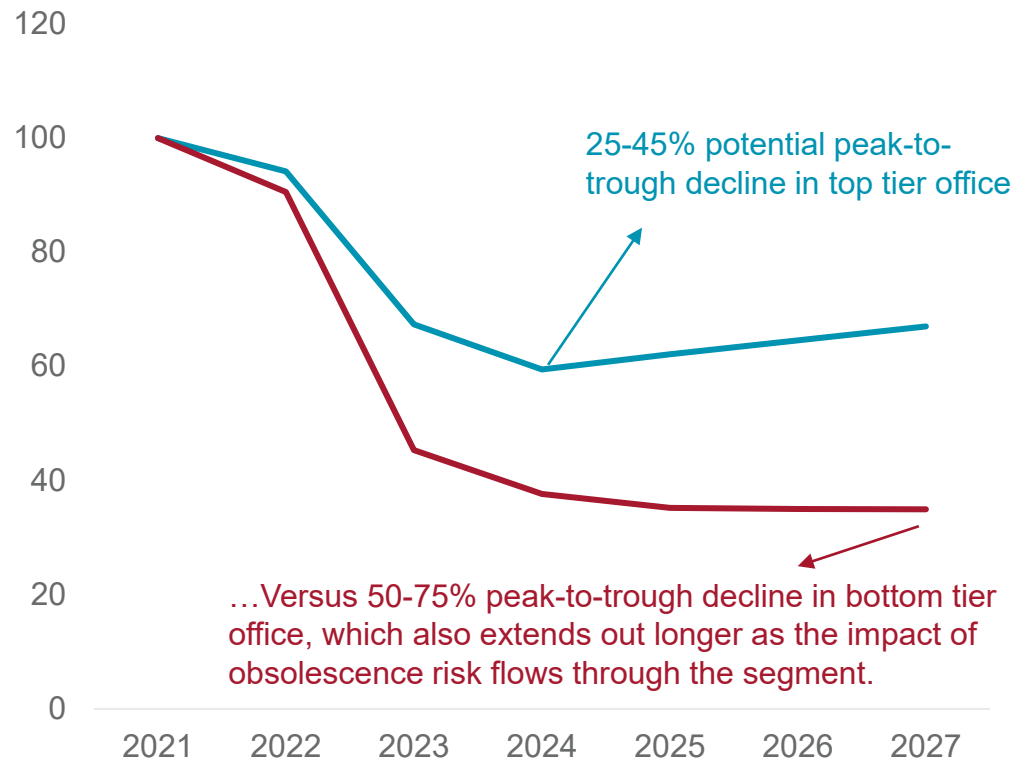
Office sector cap rates by quality tier



# Anything “Not Trophy” Faces Even Greater Pressure

Low quality (Bottom Tier) office to face much more significant price corrections

## Office Property Value Index\*



## Year-over-Year Percentage Changes in Office Tiers\*\*

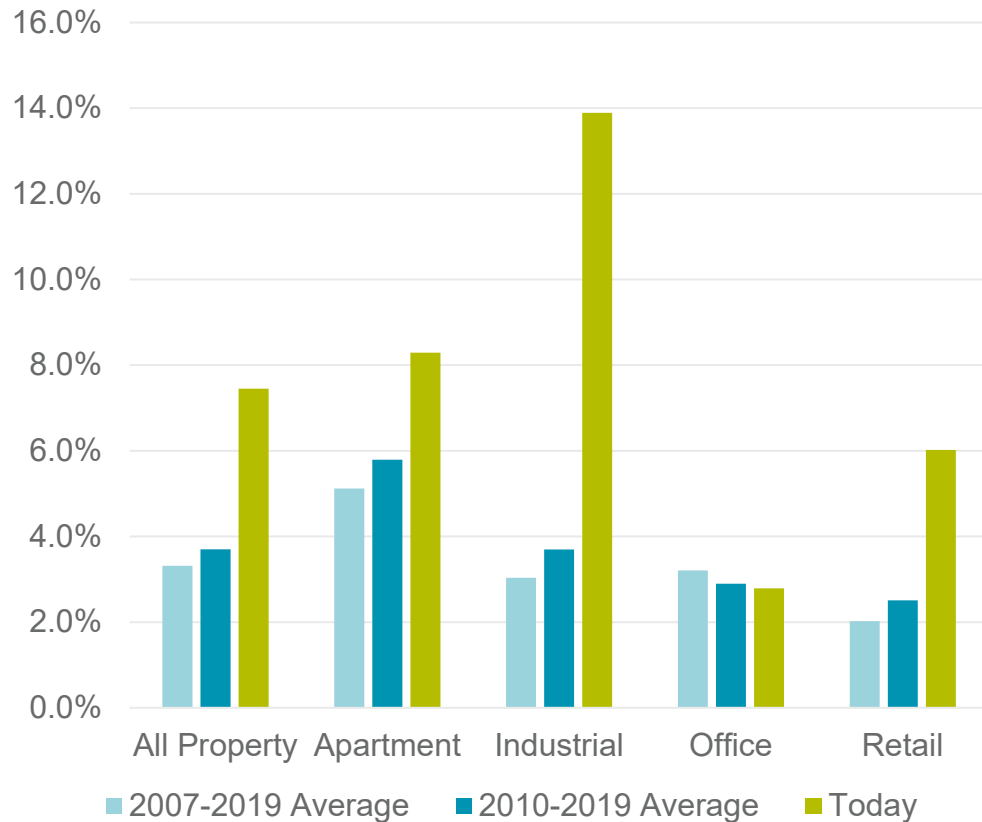
|      | Top Tier | Bottom Tier |
|------|----------|-------------|
| 2022 | -5.8%    | -9.4%       |
| 2023 | -28.5%   | -49.9%      |
| 2024 | -11.7%   | -17.0%      |
| 2025 | 4.5%     | -6.5%       |
| 2026 | 3.9%     | -0.5%       |
| 2027 | 3.8%     | -0.1%       |

- This does not imply that all properties will encounter these actualized annual or peak-to-trough losses.
- Many owners with cash-flow positive properties (particularly those with low or no leverage) may seek to ride-out the downturn and will hold through this period without having to actualize such peak-to-trough losses.
- During downcycles, fewer assets trade and realize such real-time market repricing thereby allowing time for the market to recover.
- For assets that are held through the worst of the price declines, realized value diminution would deviate from these estimates, and possibly significantly.

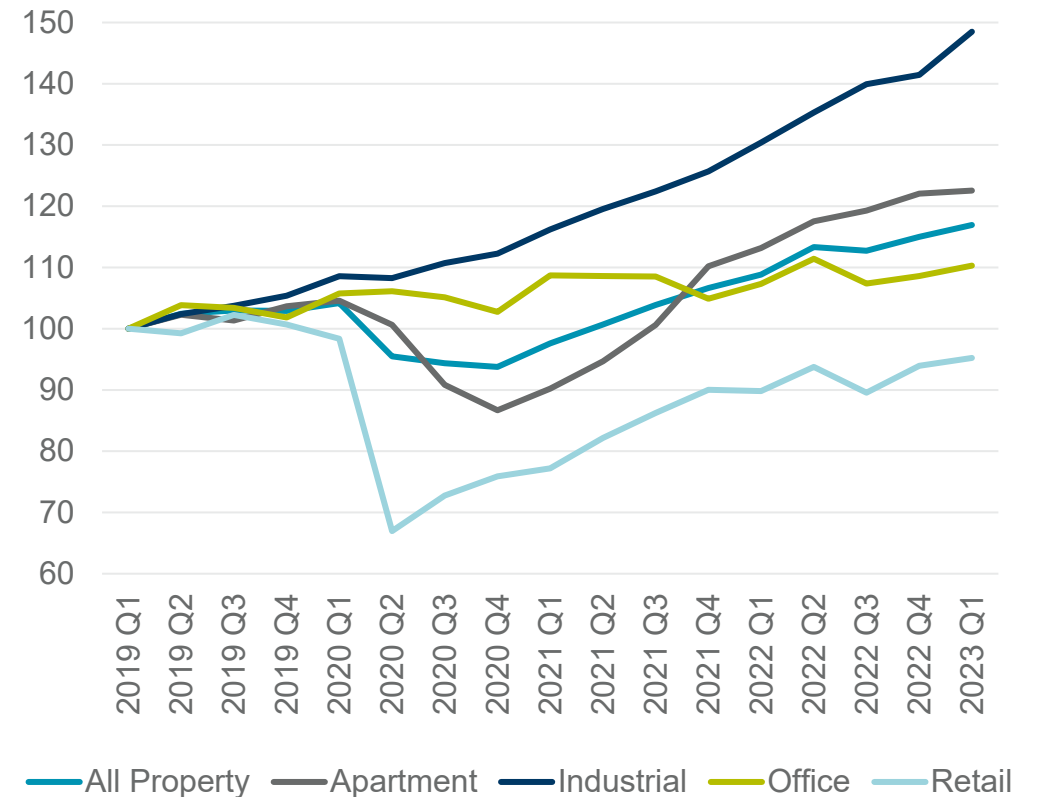
# Buy-side: An Income-Focused Era is Upon Us....

NOI growth by asset type

NOI Growth Still Historically Strong (excl. Office)



Income Prospects to Define Next Chapter (19Q4 = 100)

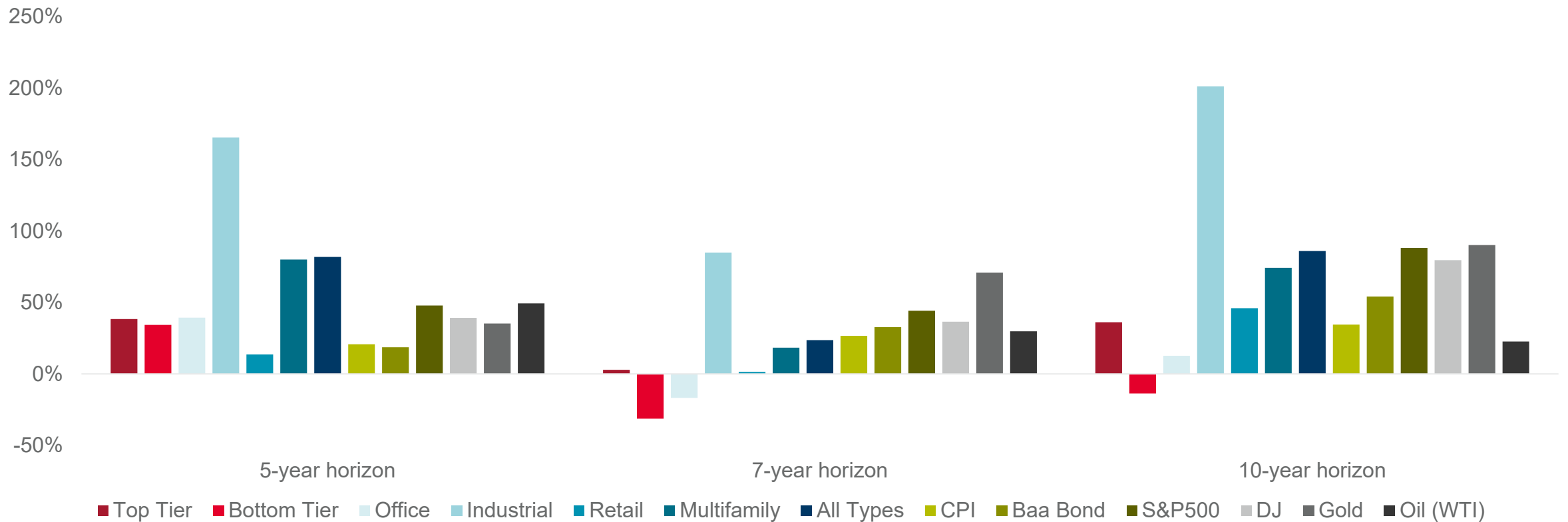


Source: NCREIF, Cushman & Wakefield Research. Note: Figures are based on year-end.

# CRE Stacks Up Well Against Other Assets

*...even with oncoming price reset*

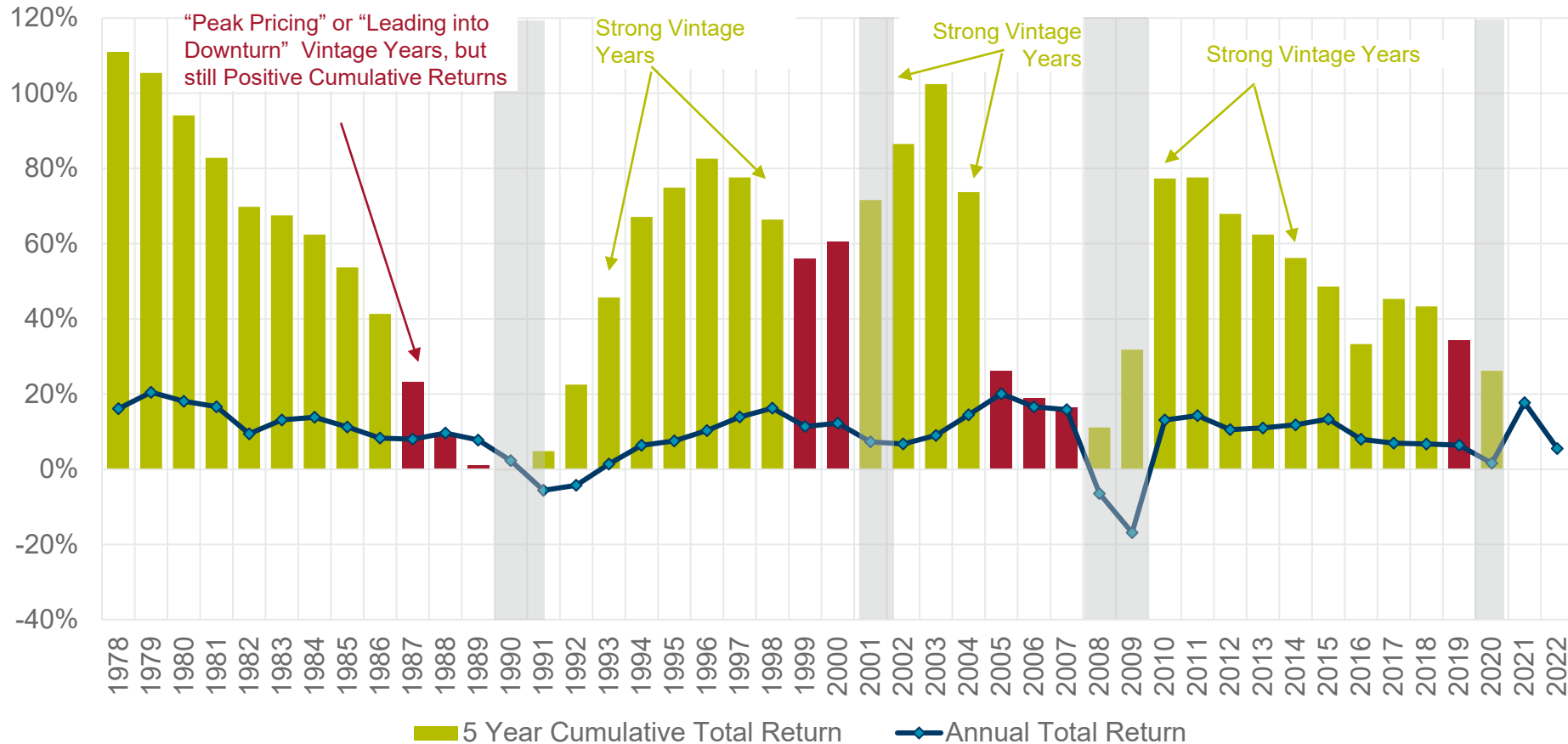
Relative Cumulative Forward Total Returns  
if Invested in Q4 2017...



Source: NCREIF, Various, Cushman & Wakefield Research. All types cap rate calculated for four main property types using weights based on capital investment share from 2018-2022. For each horizon, the sell dates are: 5-year = 22Q4, 7-year = 24Q4, 10-year = 27Q4.

# Strong Vintage Years Follow Periods of Dislocation

Rolling five-year forward returns (all-property)



- The age-old adage still holds....
- Periods following times of dislocation are typically great vintage years for investment.
- Periods of acute uncertainty offer opportunities for those that are nimble, with deployable capital and with an ability to identify relative value, distress or long-term growth potential.
- Now is also an opportune time to consider actualizing returns (and creating liquidity for future buying opportunities) for high-quality assets that remain in favor for lenders.



A nighttime photograph of a city skyline. In the foreground, the Cloud Gate sculpture (The Bean) is illuminated and reflects the surrounding lights. The background features several tall skyscrapers, some with their windows lit up, against a deep blue twilight sky with wispy clouds. The overall scene is a vibrant urban landscape.

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Questions?

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