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INFLATION AND MACROECONOMIC OUTLOOK

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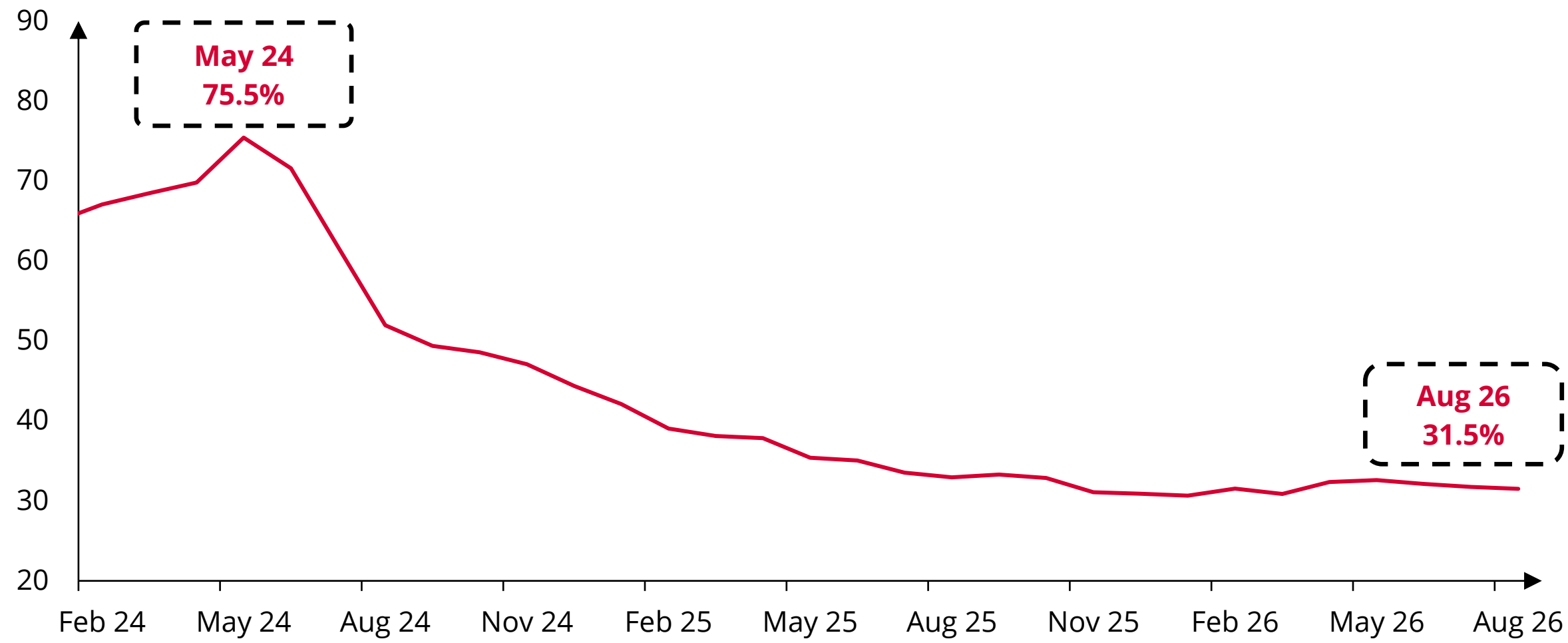
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What is driving short-term inflation dynamics?

- Supply issues in food and energy
- Uneven inertia in services
- Moderating demand

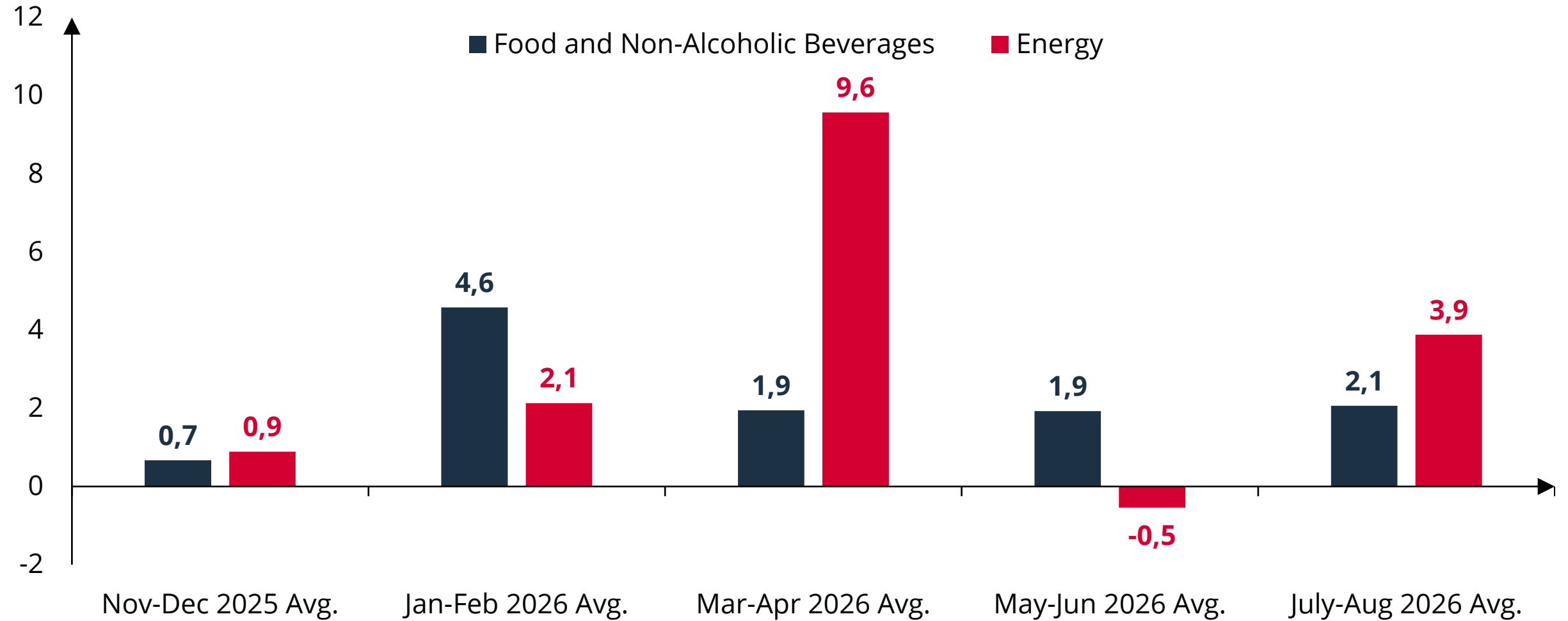
Annual inflation declined to 31.5 percent in August.

CPI (Annual % Change)



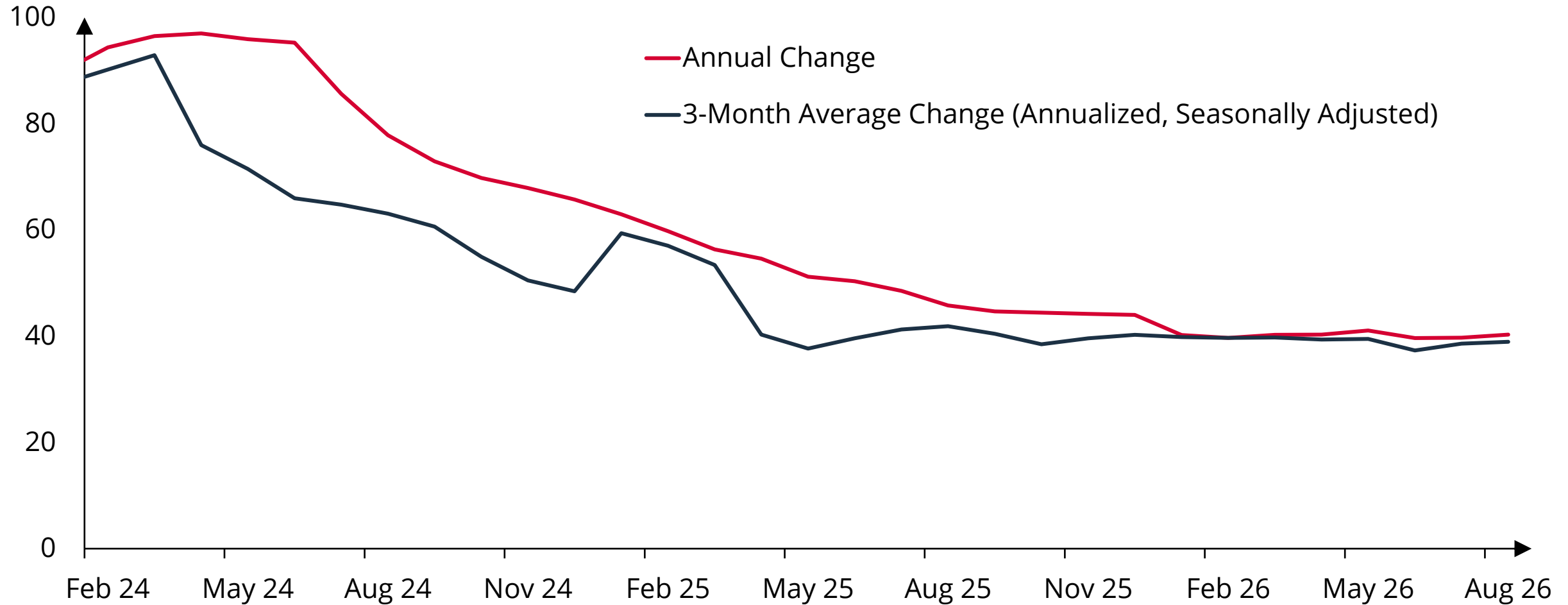
Supply shocks pushed up headline inflation.

Inflation (Seasonally Adjusted, Monthly % Change)



Is there a reemergence of inertia in services inflation?

Services Prices (Annualized Monthly Change and Annual Change, %)



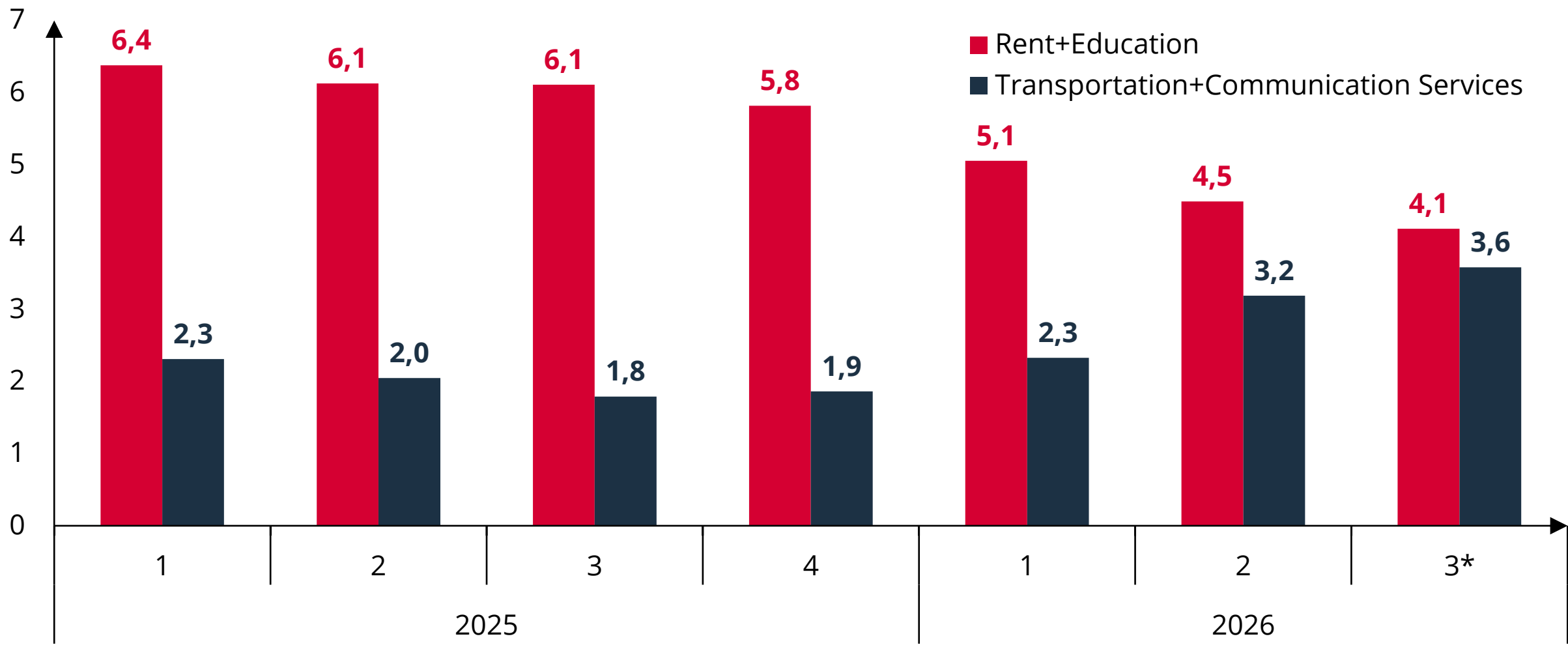
Rent and education are driving services disinflation

Contribution to Headline Annual Inflation (Averages of Monthly Contributions)



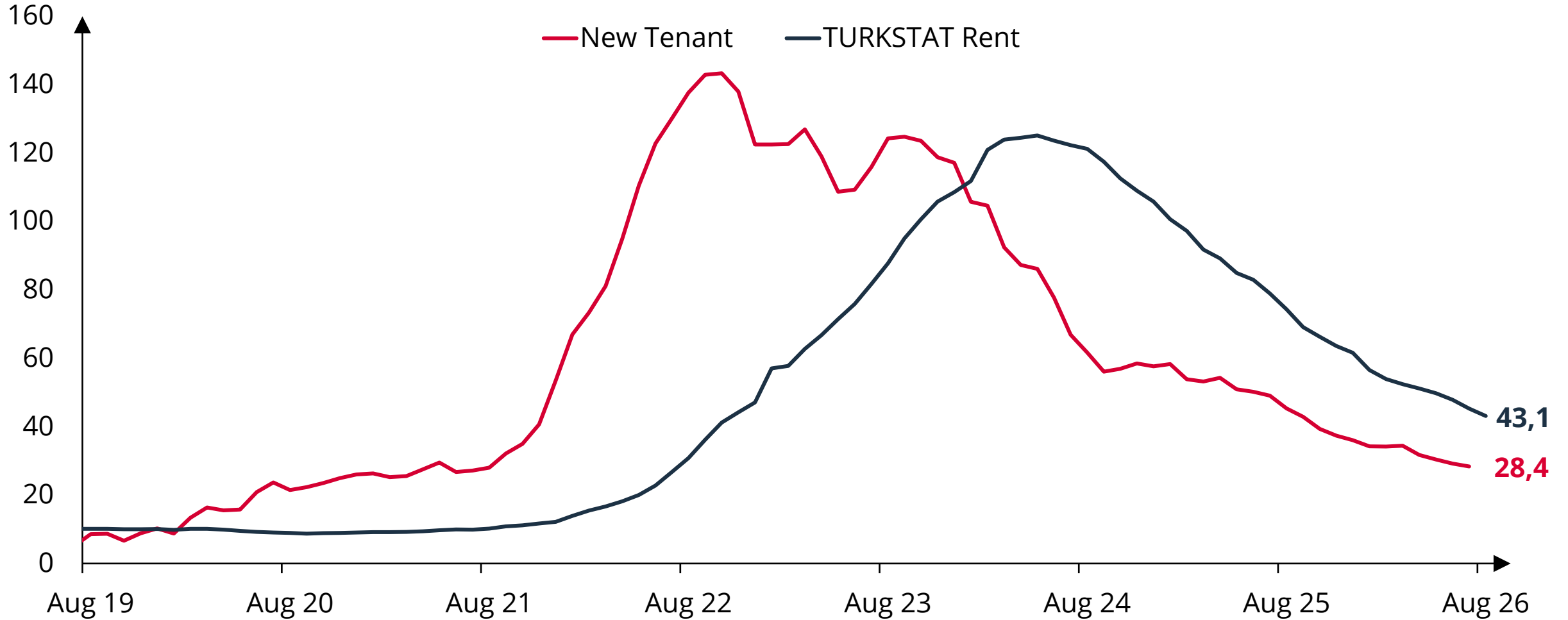
Transportation and communication services are offsetting these gains.

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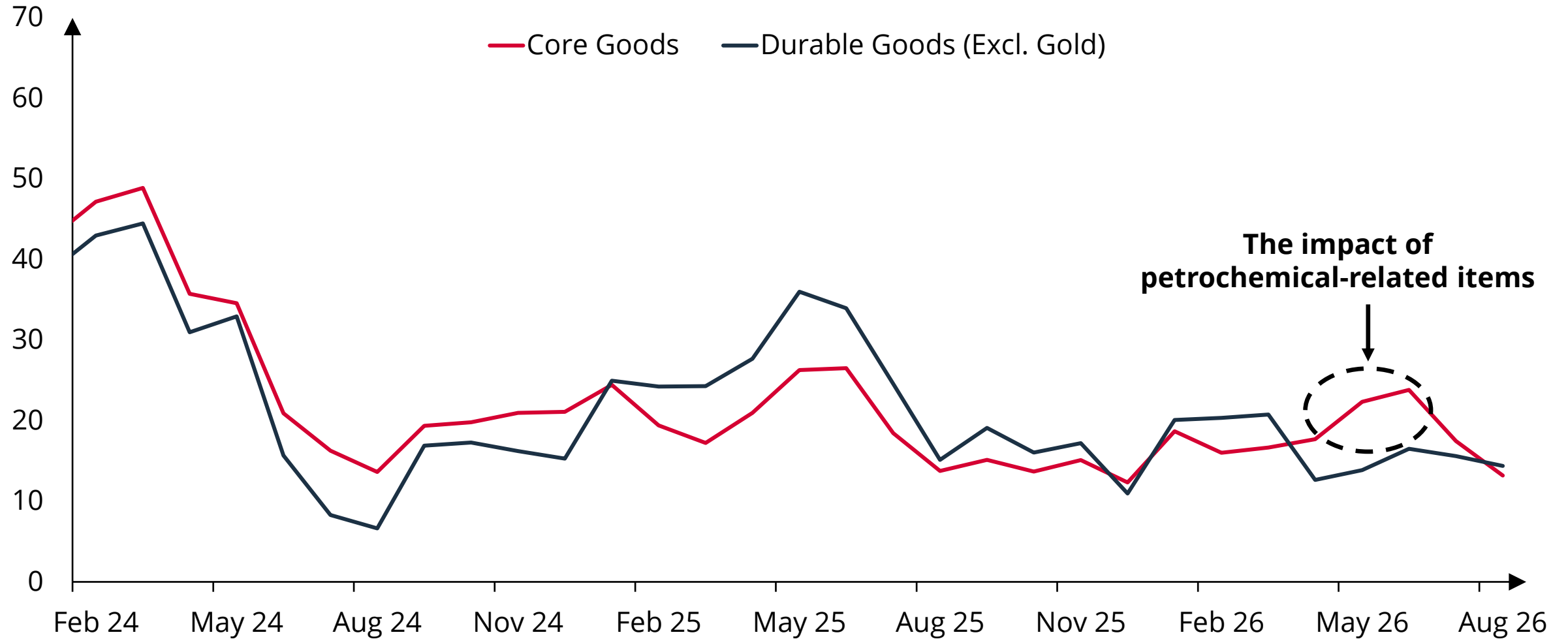
Leading indicators point to further room for disinflation in rents.

New Tenants and TURKSTAT Actual Rent Indices* (Annual % Change)



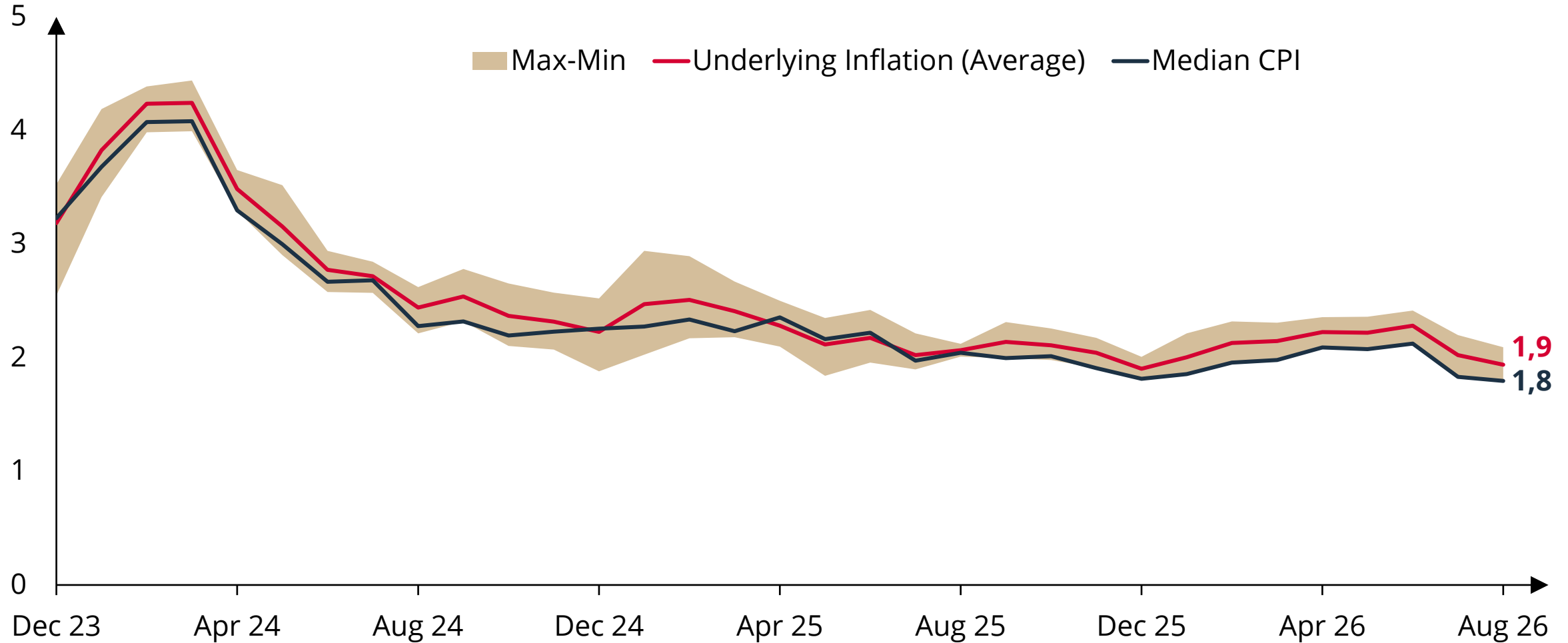
Core goods inflation remains moderate despite strong headwinds.

Core Goods and Durable Goods* (Seasonally Adjusted and Annualized 3-Month Moving Average, %)



Underlying inflation edged down.

Median and Underlying Inflation* (Monthly % Change, 3-Month Average)



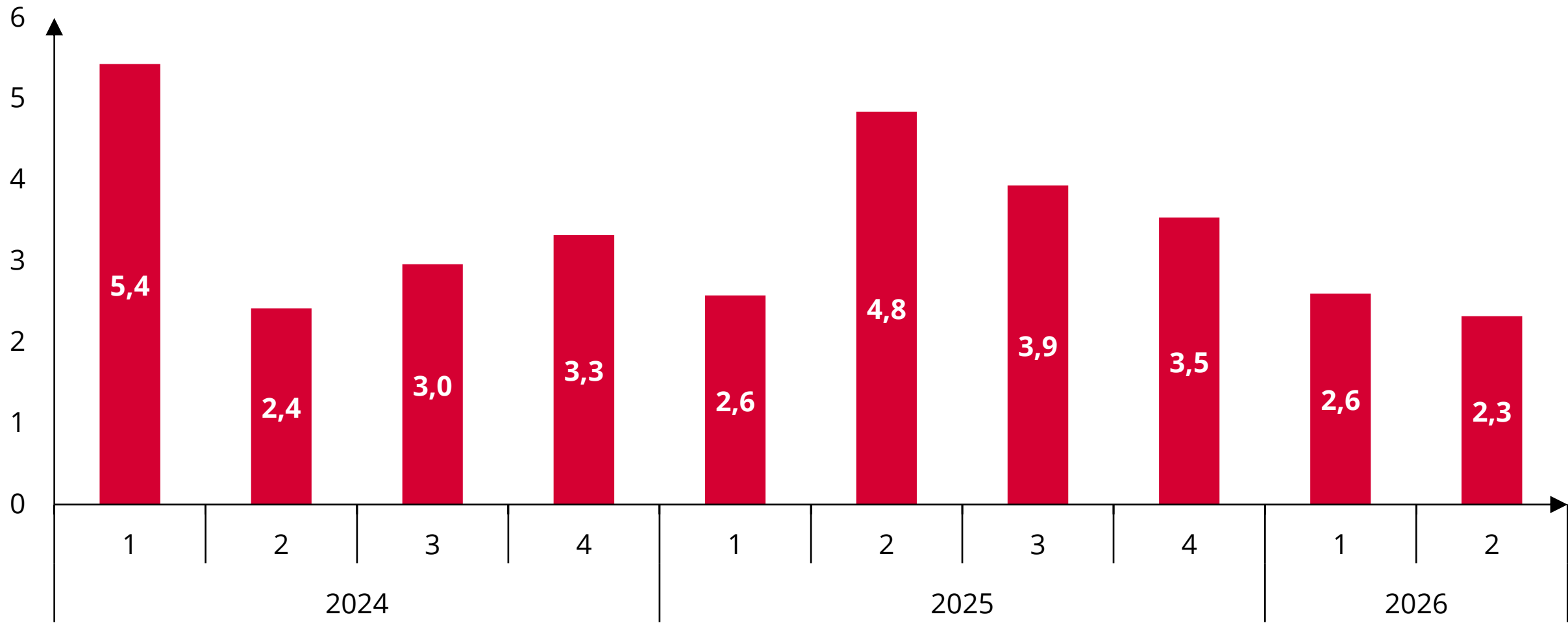
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What factors will shape inflation going forward?

- Weak domestic demand in Q2
- Further weakening in Q3
- Moderate credit growth

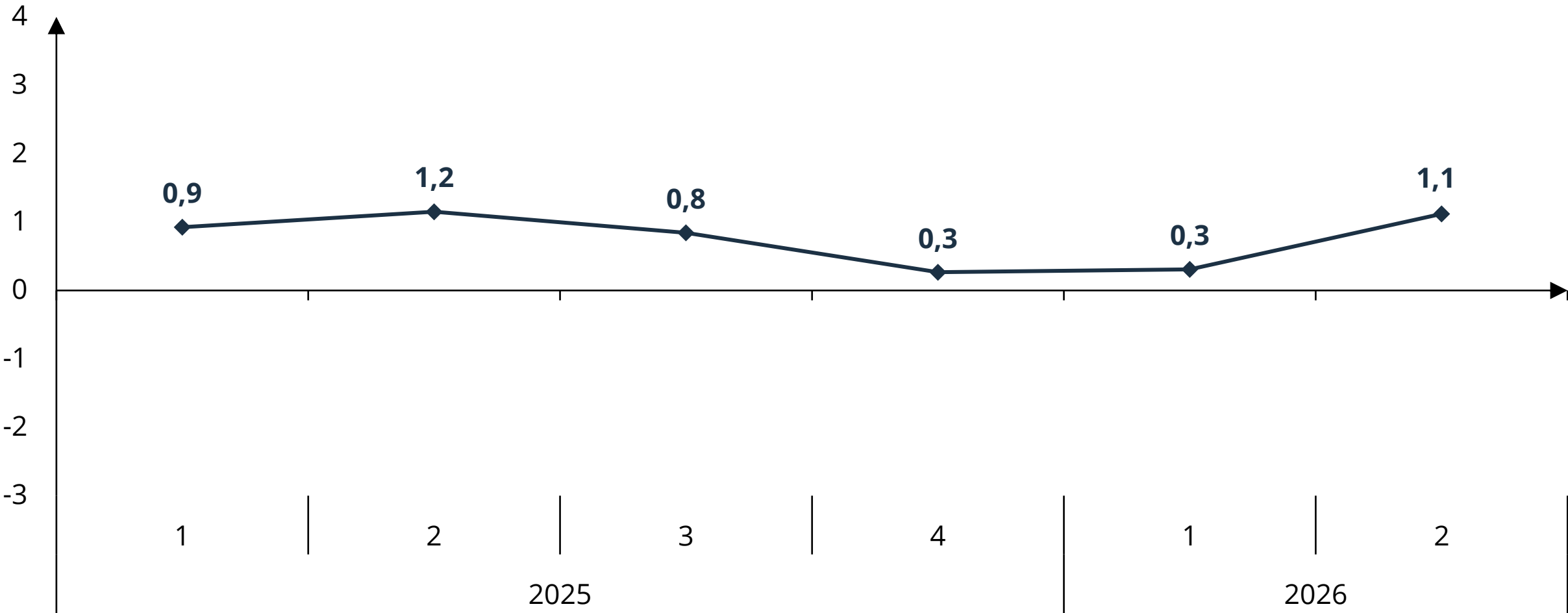
Economic activity is slowing down.

GDP (Annual % Change)



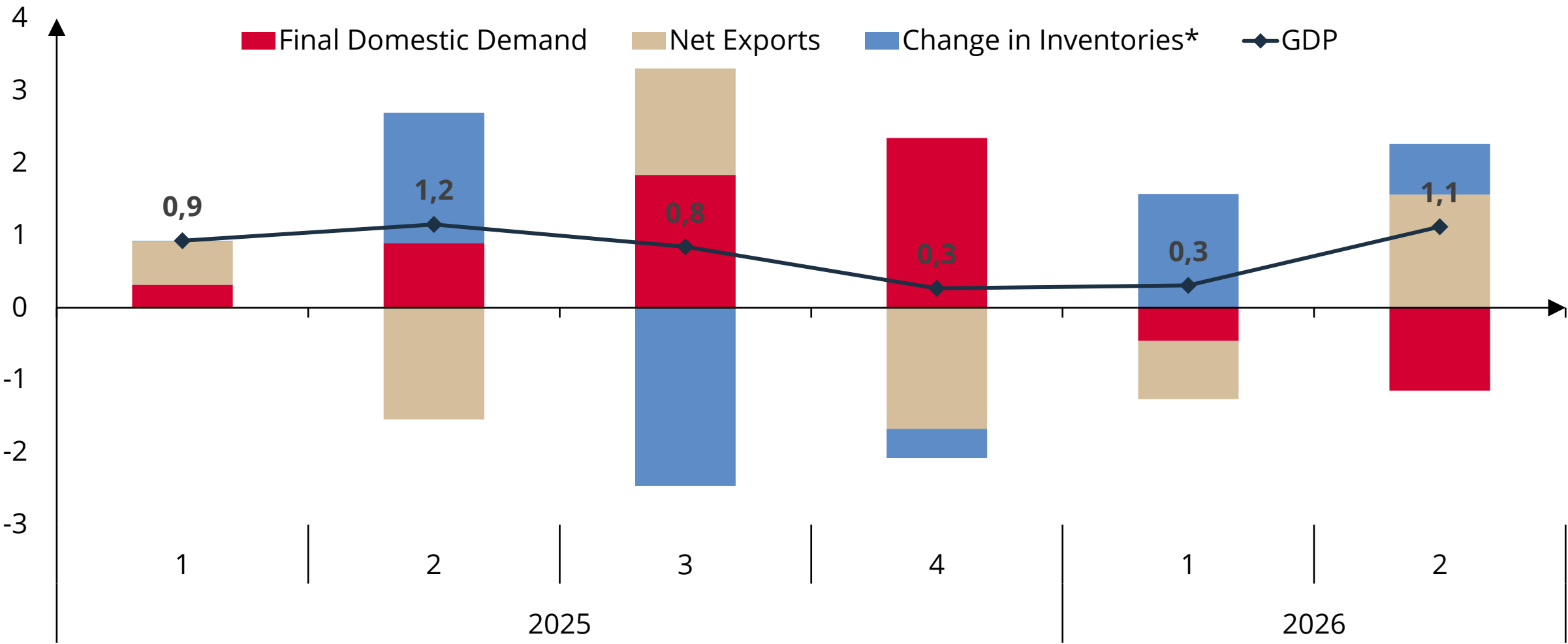
But quarterly growth picked up in Q2.

Contributions to Quarterly GDP Growth by Expenditure (Seasonally Adjusted, % Points)



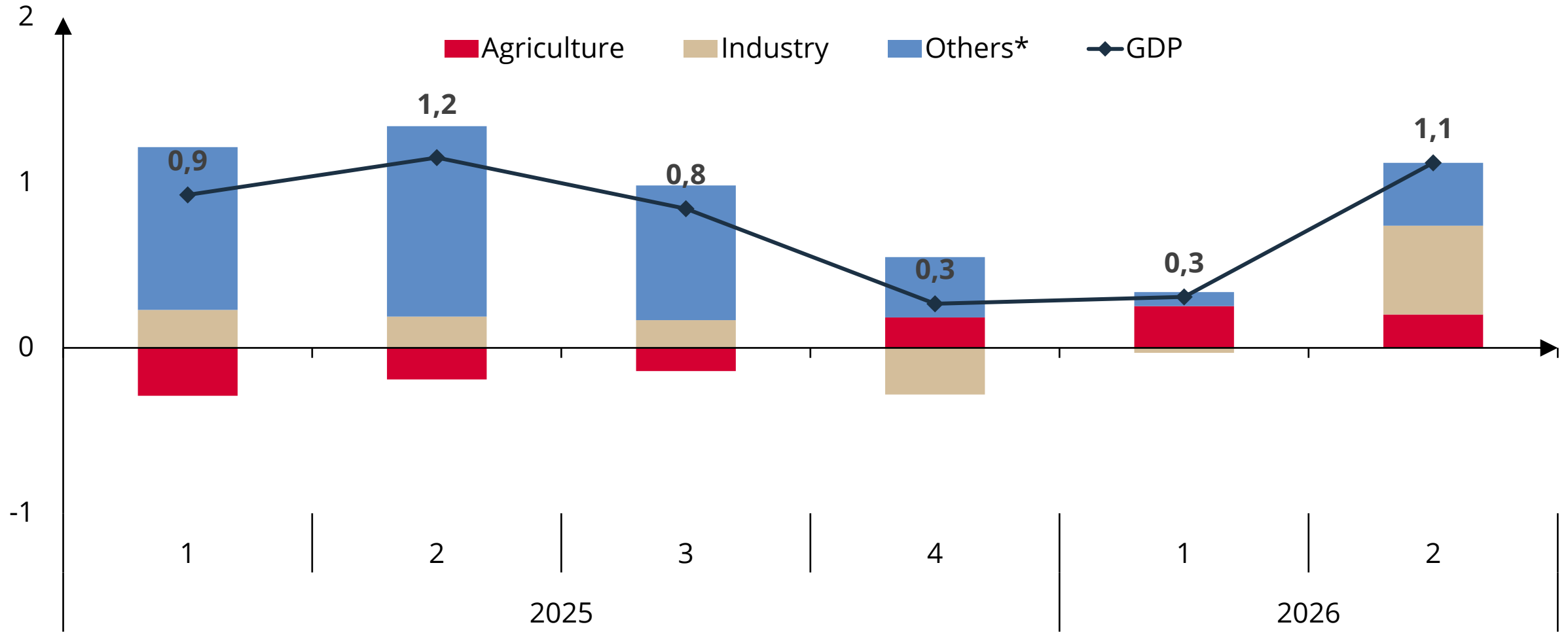
Led by external demand...

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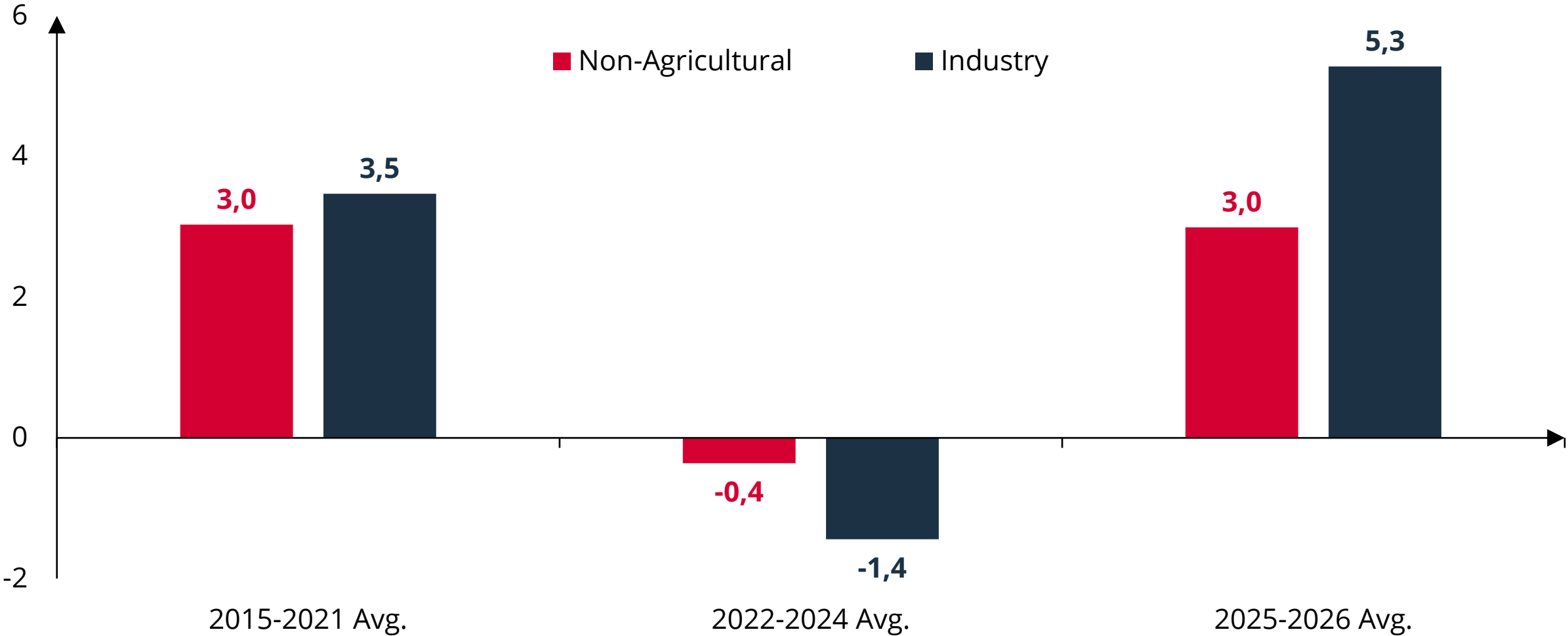
...which boosted industrial output.

Contributions to Quarterly GDP Growth by Production (Seasonally Adjusted, % Points)



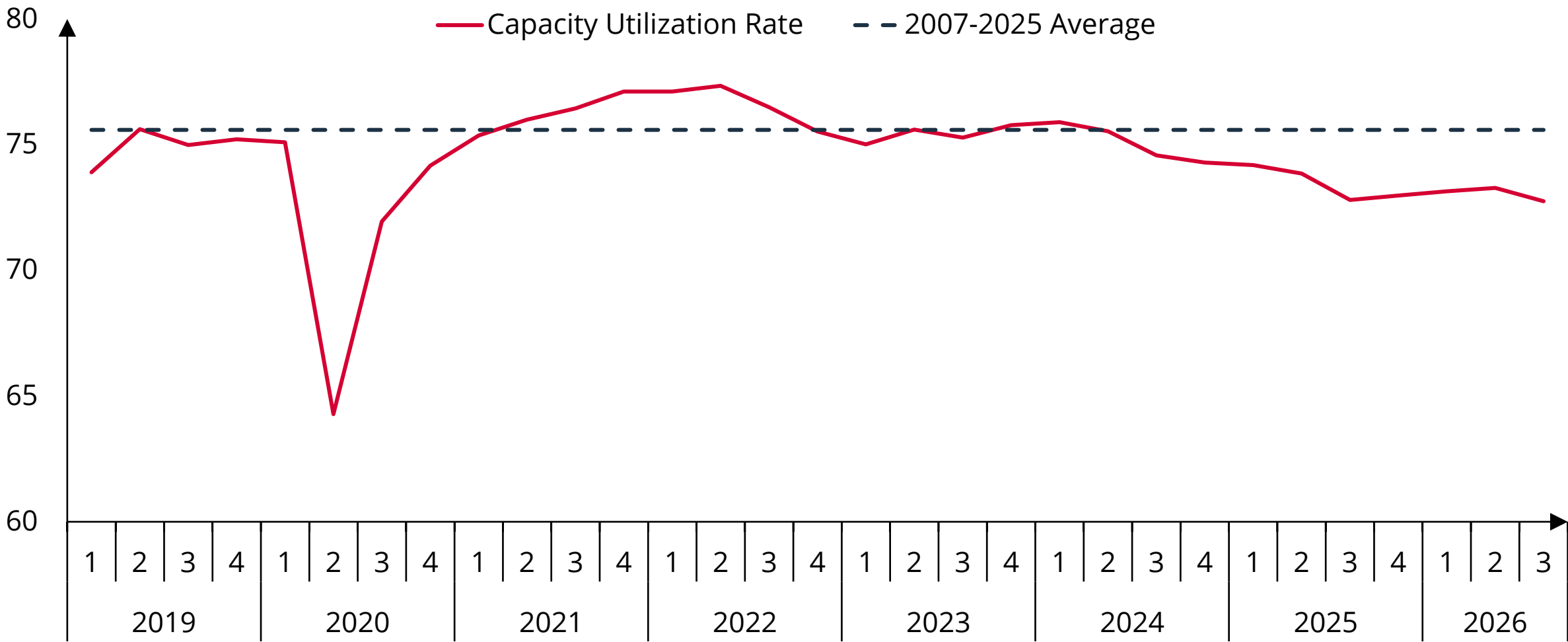
Productivity growth has picked up during disinflation.

Output per Worker* (Annual % Change)



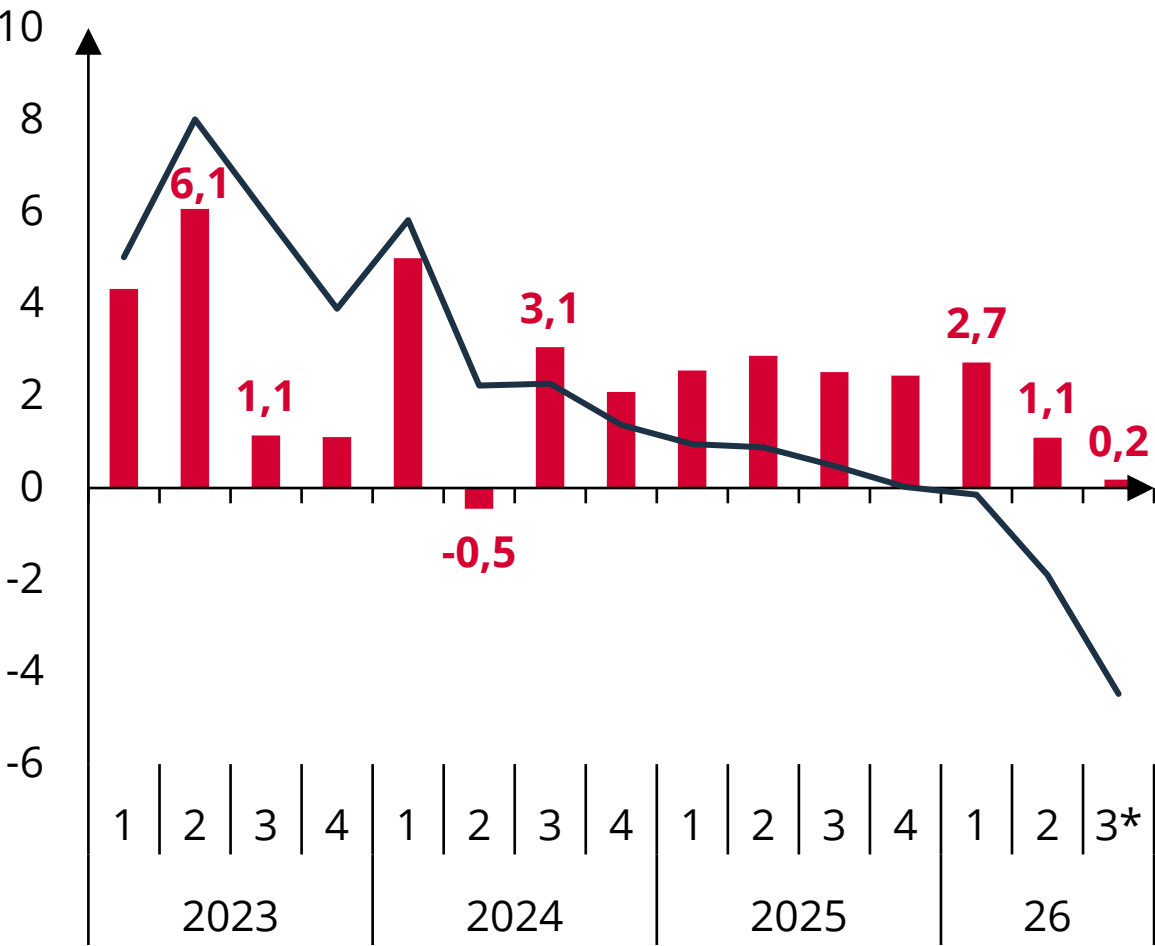
Capacity utilization remains below historical averages.

Capacity Utilization Rate* (Seasonally Adjusted, %)

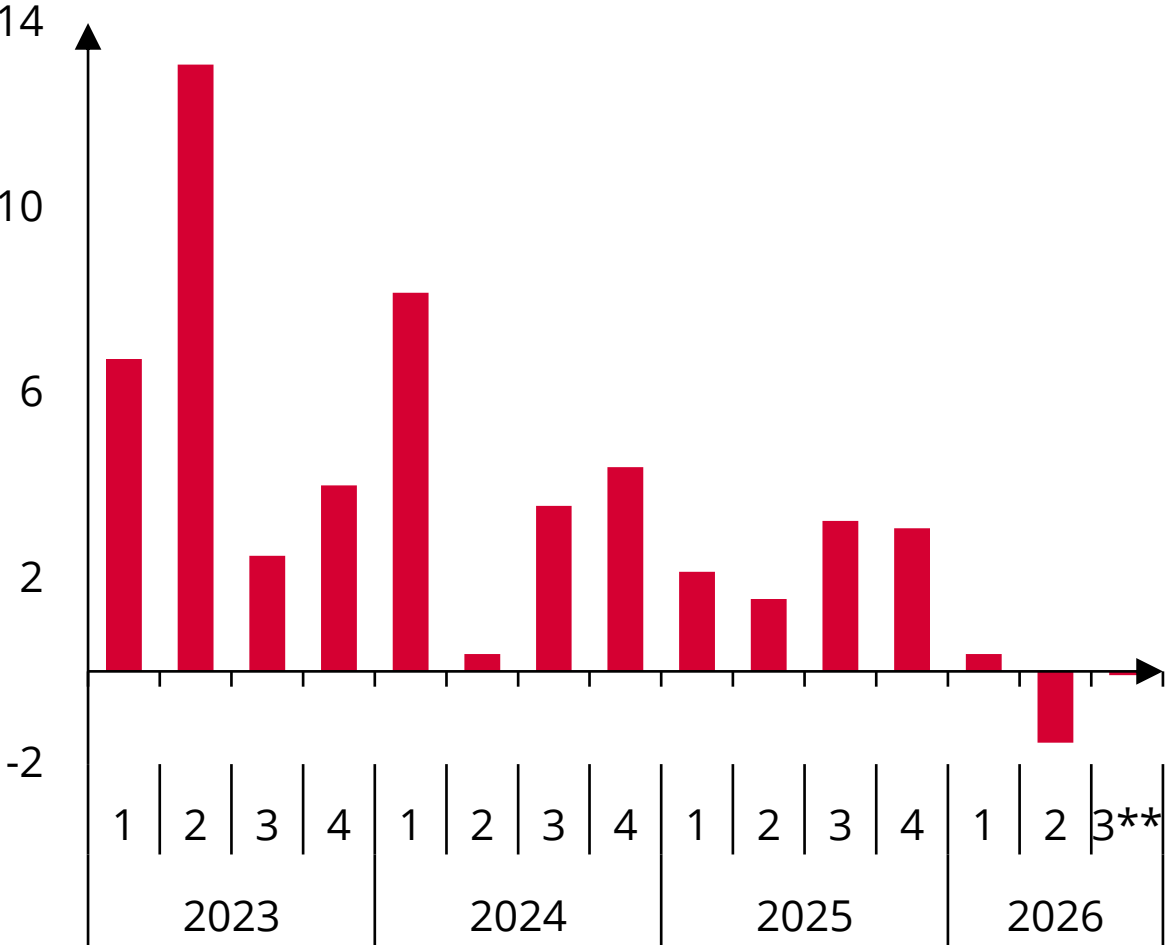


High frequency indicators point to further softening in Q3.

Retail Sales Volume Index* (Excl. Gold, SA, Quarterly % Change, Deviation from HP Trend, %)



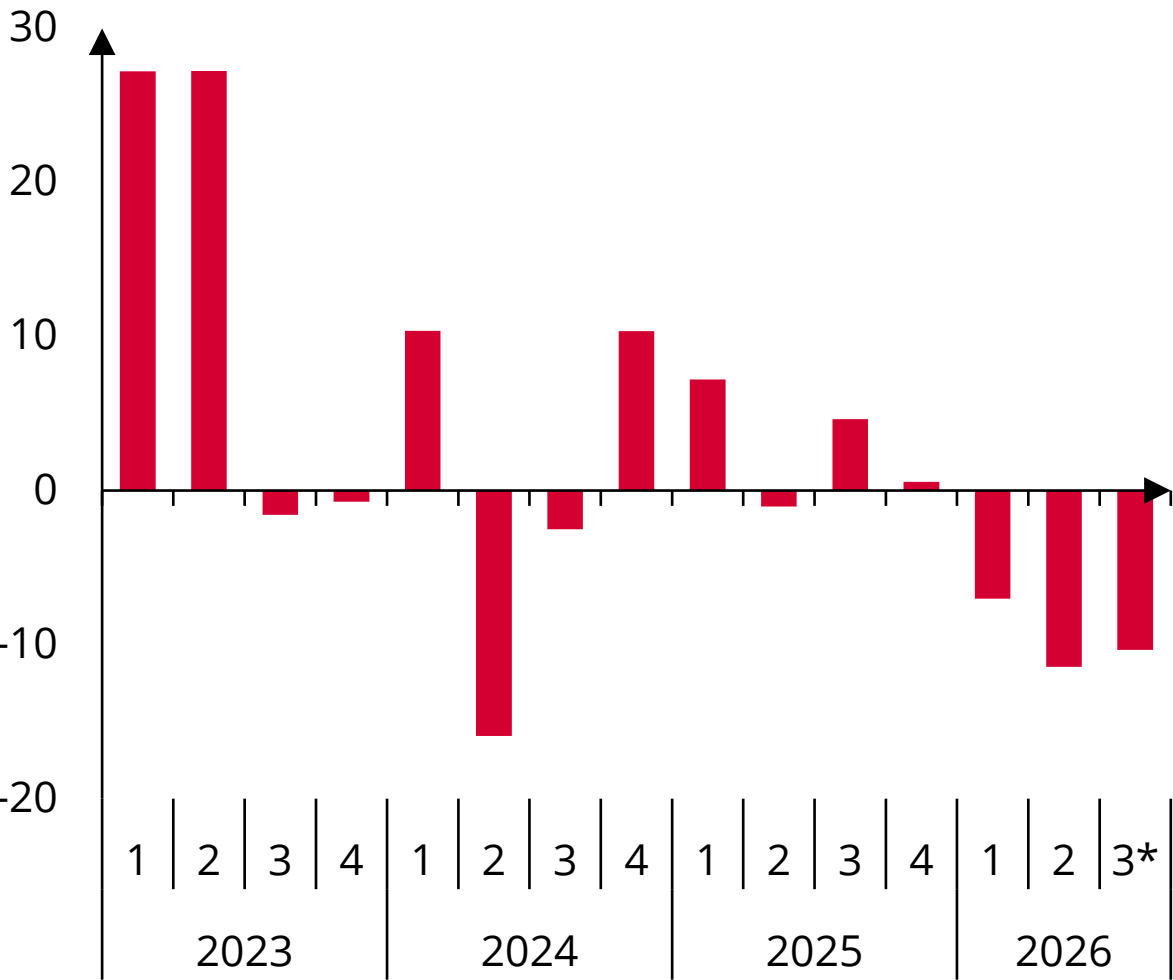
Total Card Spending (Real, QoQ % Change)



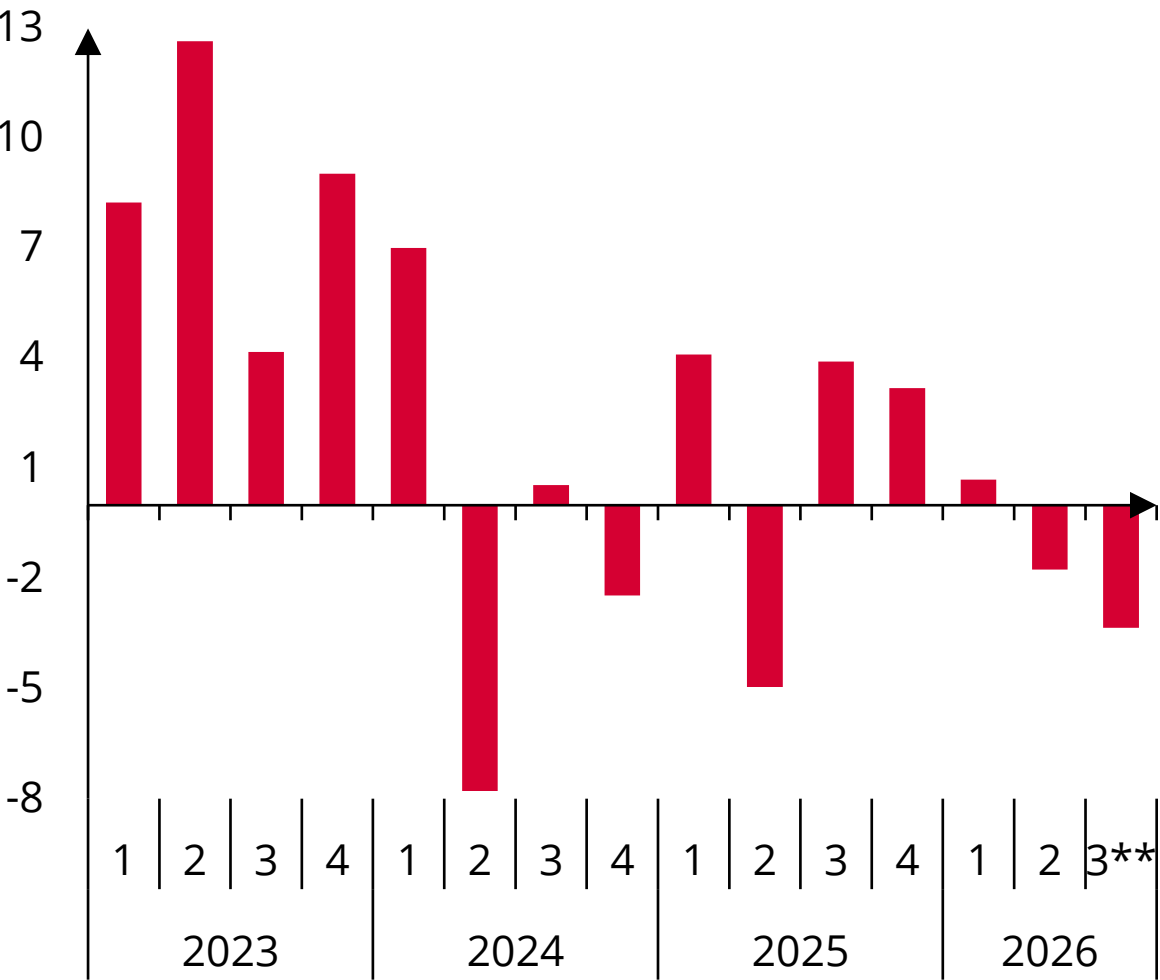
*The dark line indicates deviation from the trend. SA: Seasonally and calendar adjusted. Retail sales are as of July.
**Total card spending data are as of August 30, 2026. Excluding public and individual pension payments.

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Automobile Sales (Quarterly % Change)



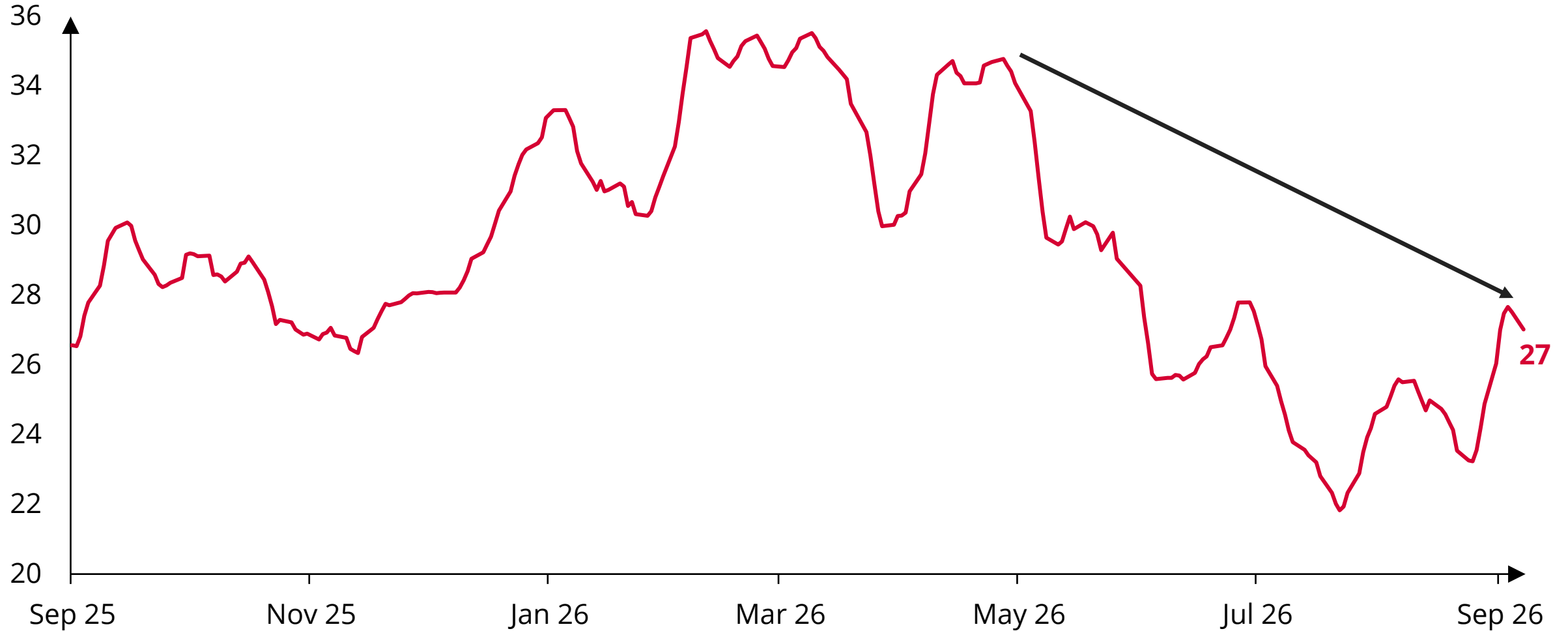
Card Spending on Durable Goods (Real, QoQ % Change)



*Automobile sales are as of August 2026.
**Card spending data are as of August 30, 2026.

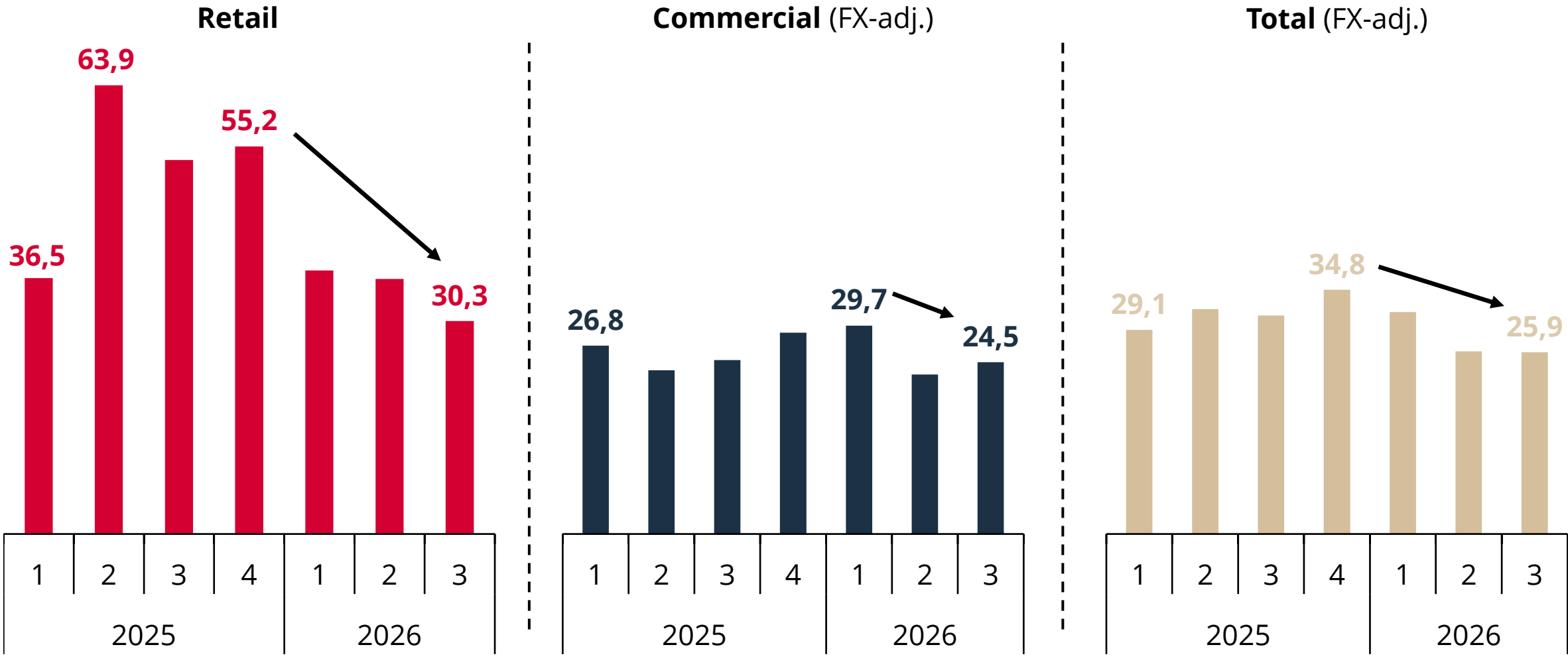
Credit growth has moderated significantly since spring.

Credit Growth (13 Week, Annualized, FX-Adjusted, 5-Day Moving Average, %)



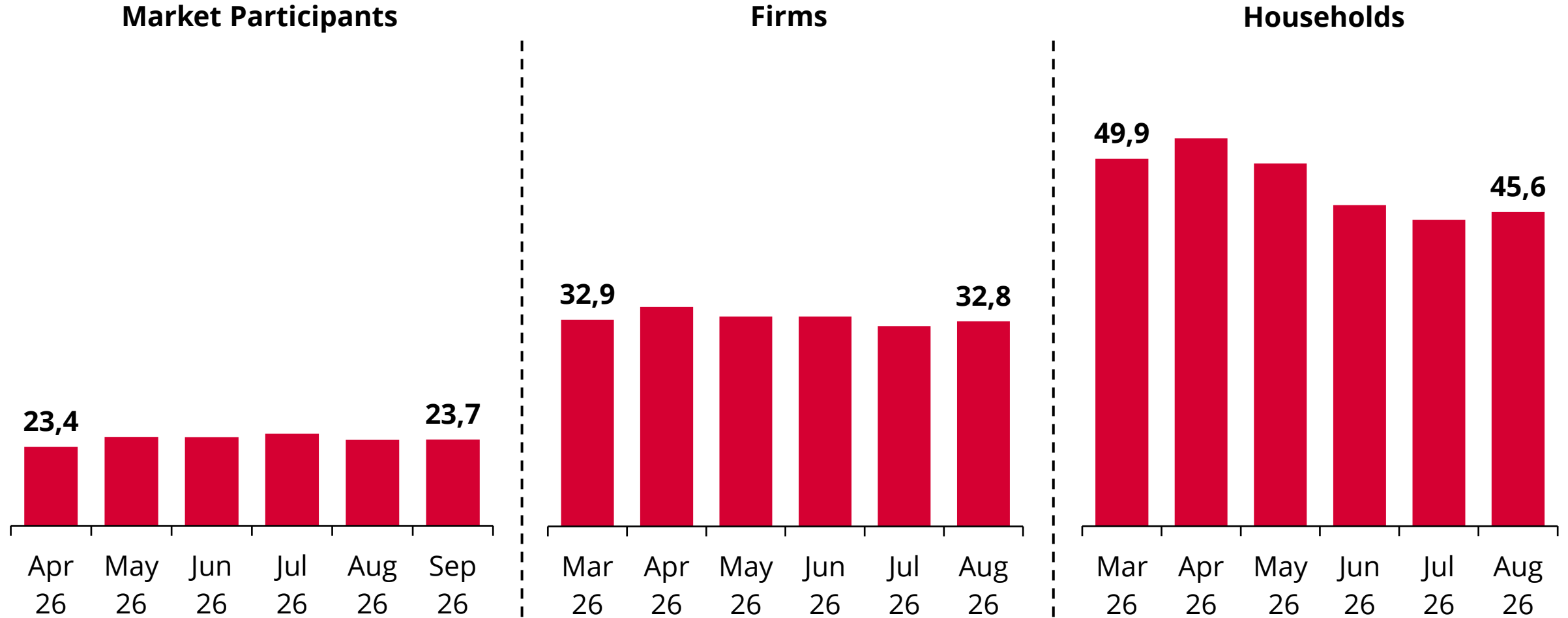
Credit growth has moderated across all segments.

Credit Growth (13 Week, Annualized, FX-Adjusted, %)



Inflation expectations warrant continued caution.

12-Month-Ahead Annual CPI Inflation Expectations (%)



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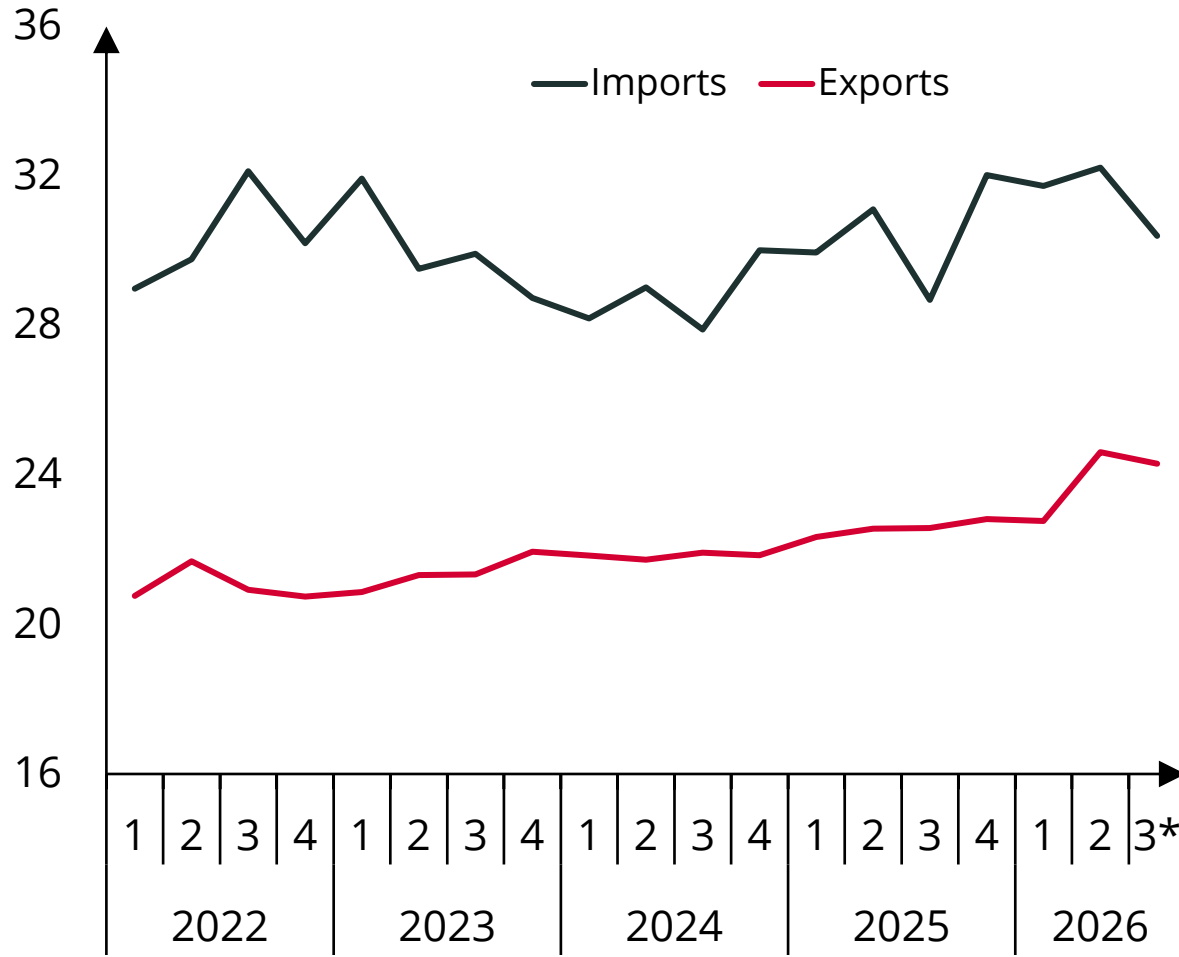
How is geopolitics reshaping the current account?

- Resilient exports
- Stable tourism revenues
- Manageable current account deficit

Trade balance improved further in the third quarter.

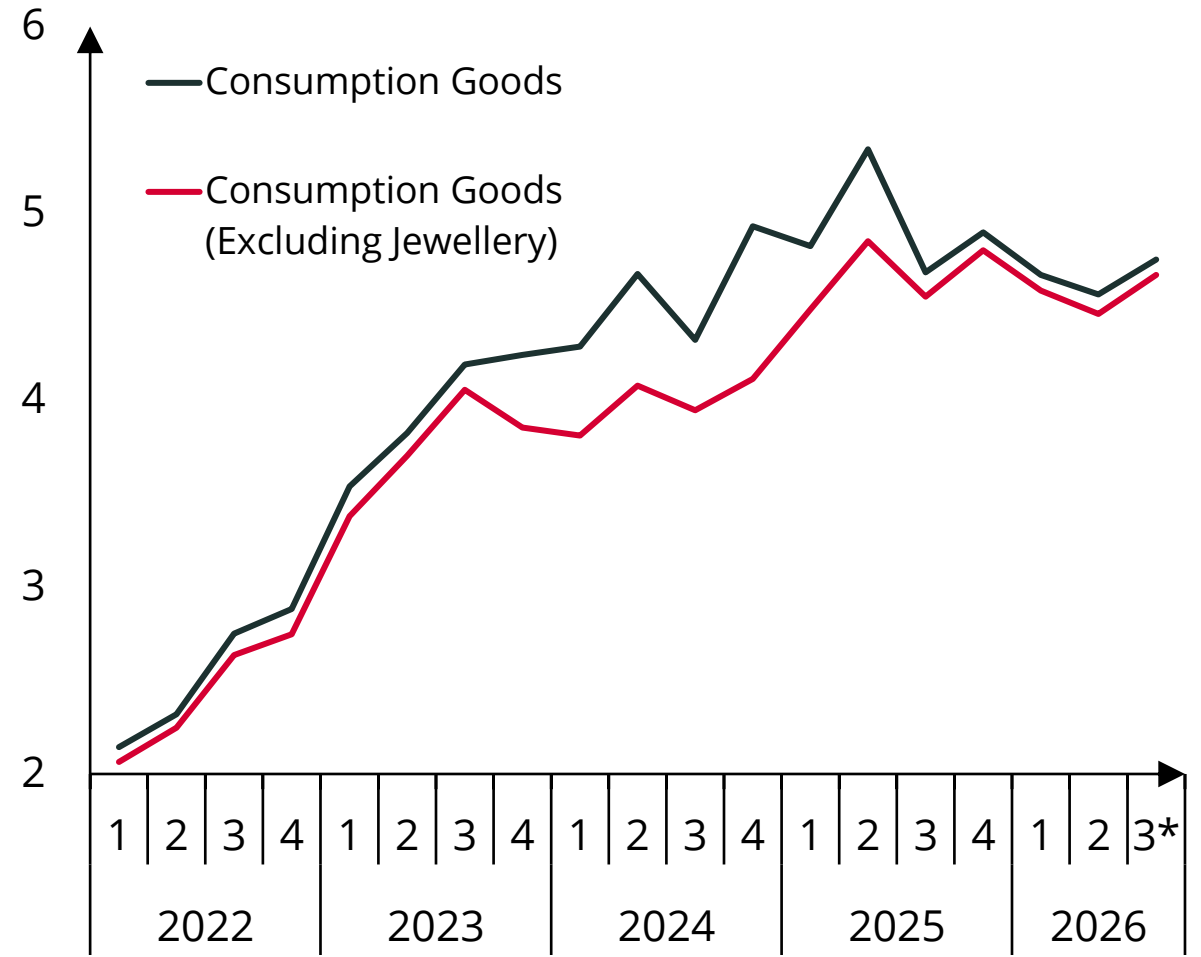
Exports and Imports**

(Average, Billion USD, Seasonally Adjusted)



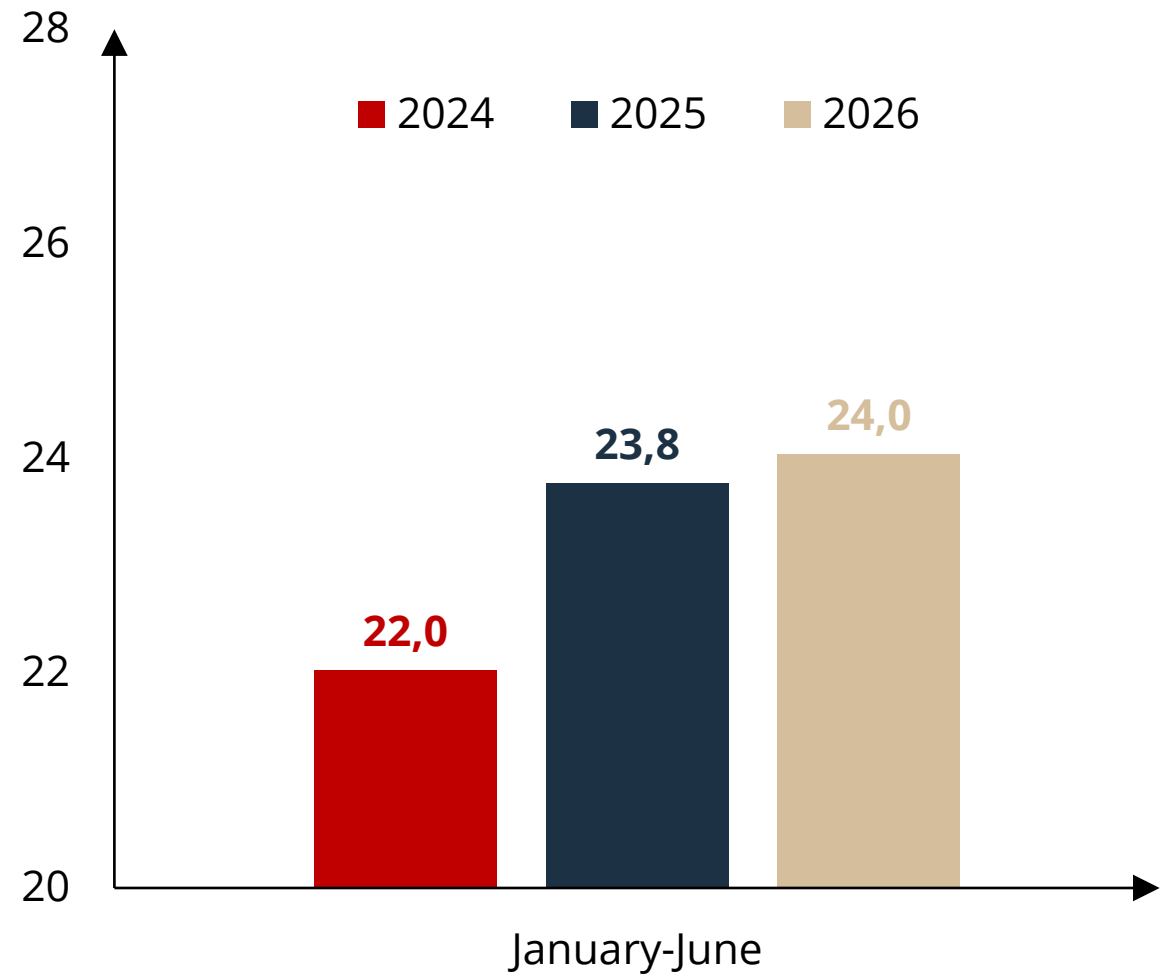
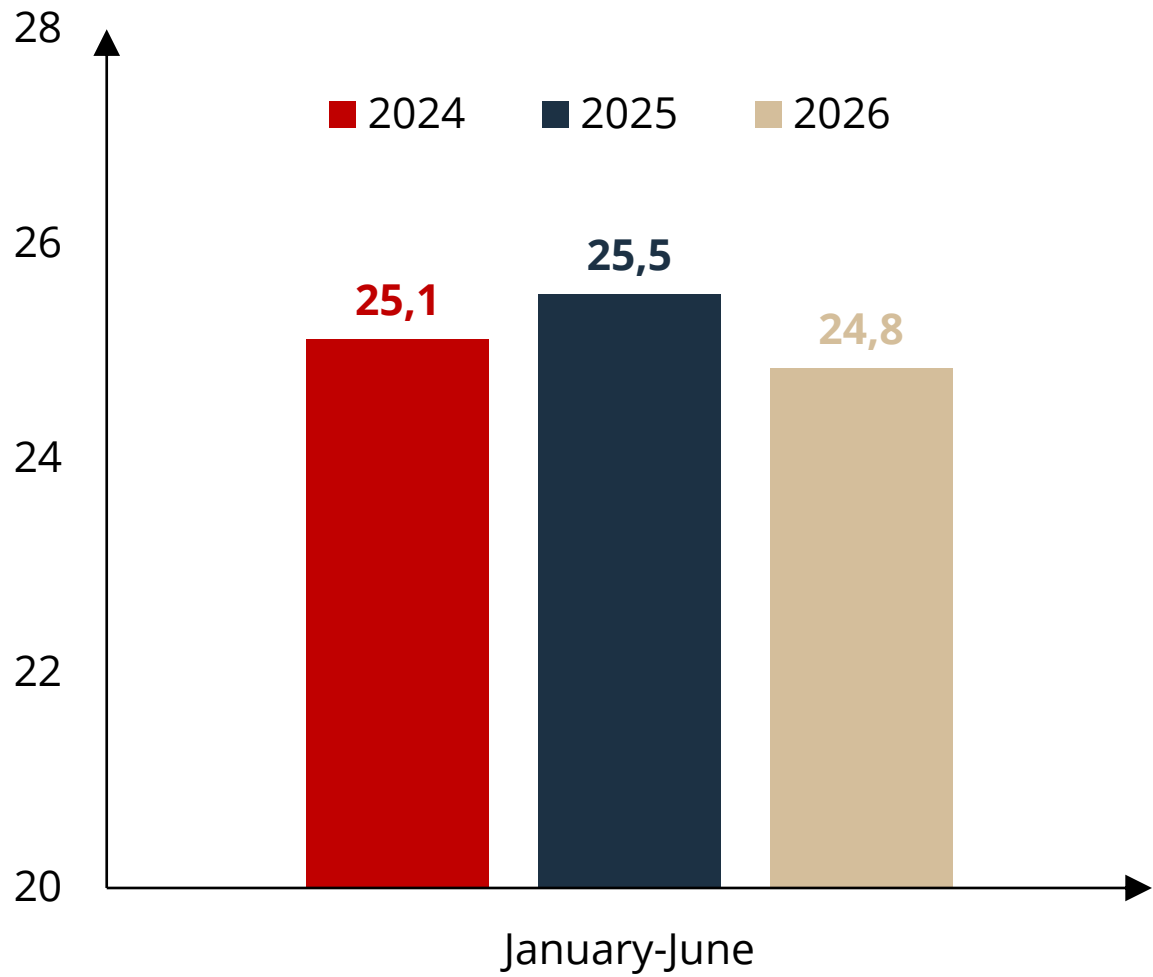
Consumption Goods Imports**

(Average, Billion USD, Seasonally Adjusted)



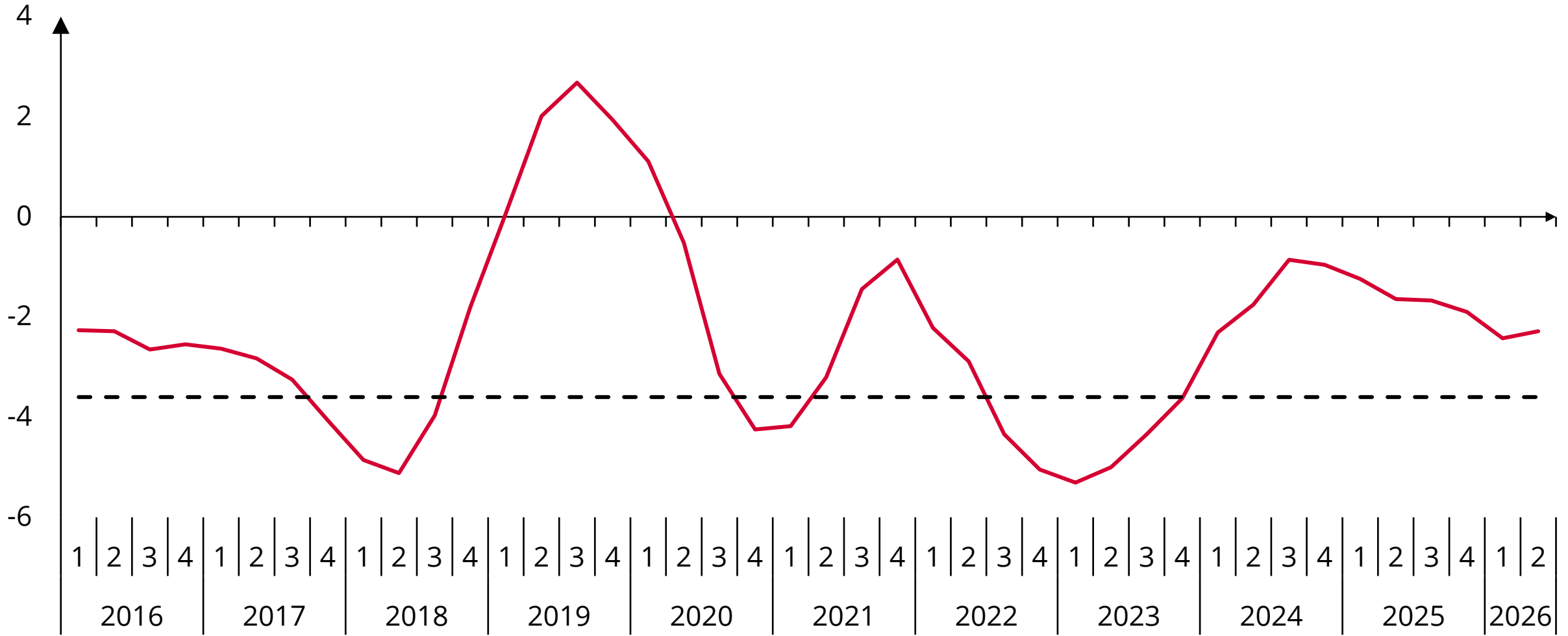
Tourism revenues remained resilient.

Monthly Visitor Arrivals (January-June, Total, Million Persons) **Monthly Travel Revenues** (January-June, Total, USD Billion)



Current account deficit moved sideways despite unfavorable external backdrop.

Current Account Balance/GDP* (%)



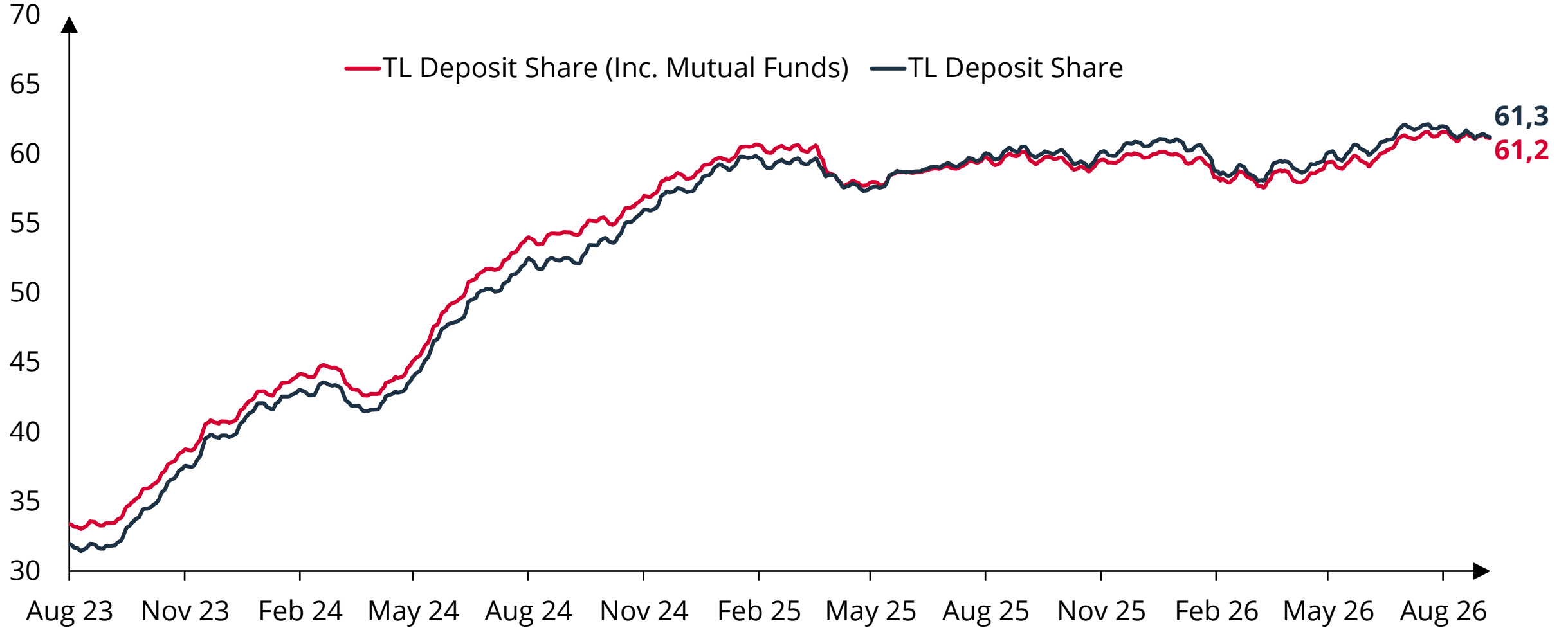
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Is re-dollarization a potential risk?

- Robust demand for TL
- Tight policy stance
- Strong reserve buffers

Residents' demand for Turkish lira remains robust.

TL Share in Deposits and Mutual Funds* (Including Official Deposits, 5 Day Moving Average, %)

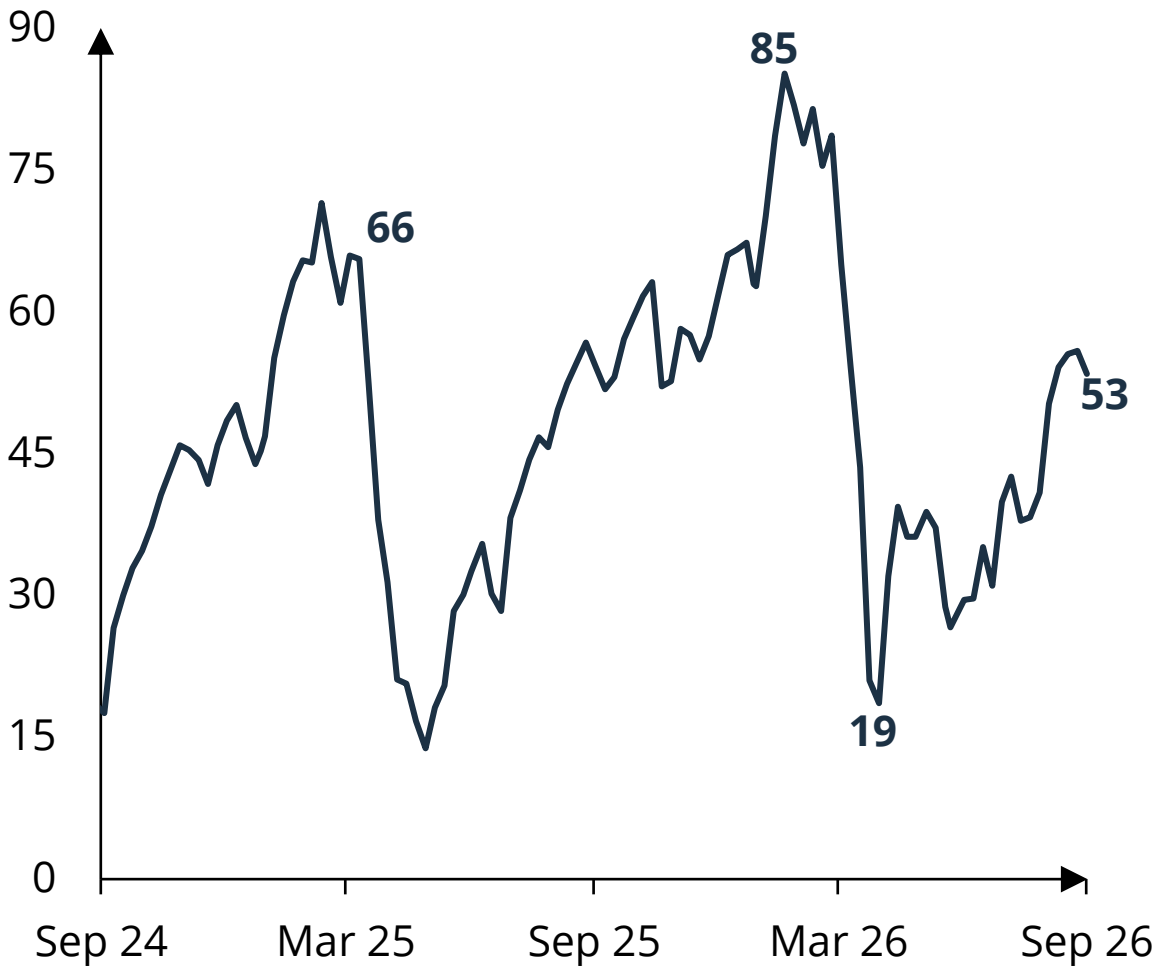


International reserve buffers remain strong.

Gross International Reserves (Billion USD)



Net Reserves Excluding Swaps (Billion USD)



Conclusion

- Despite monthly fluctuations, recent inflation figures and leading indicators suggest that the underlying trend of inflation is decelerating.
- Data on economic activity as well as the limited pass-through of supply shocks to domestic prices confirm the weakness in domestic demand.
- Elevated energy prices amid geopolitical developments pose an upward risk to the inflation outlook.
- The tight monetary policy stance, which will be maintained until price stability is achieved, will strengthen the disinflation process through demand, exchange rate, and expectation channels.
- The Committee will determine the policy rate by taking into account realized and expected inflation and its underlying trend in a way to ensure the tightness required by the projected disinflation path in line with the interim targets.
- Monetary policy decisions are made prudently on a meeting-by-meeting basis with a focus on the inflation outlook.
- Monetary policy stance will be tightened in case of a significant deviation in inflation outlook from the interim targets.



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