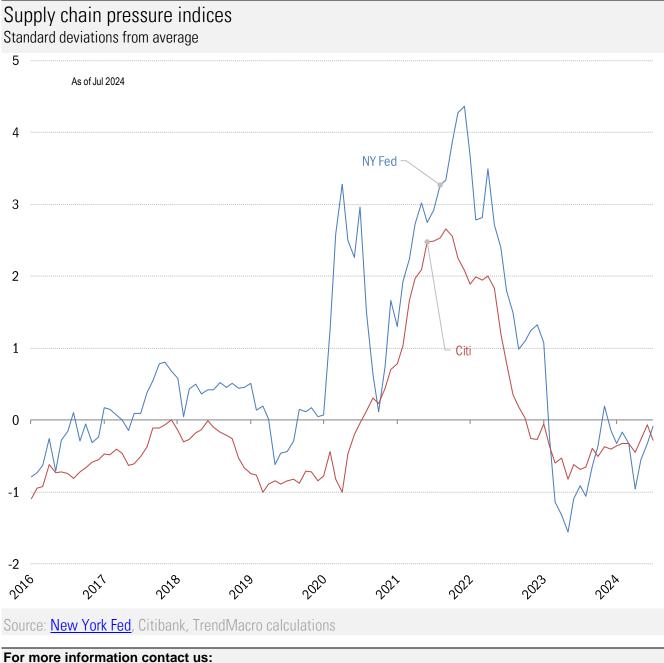


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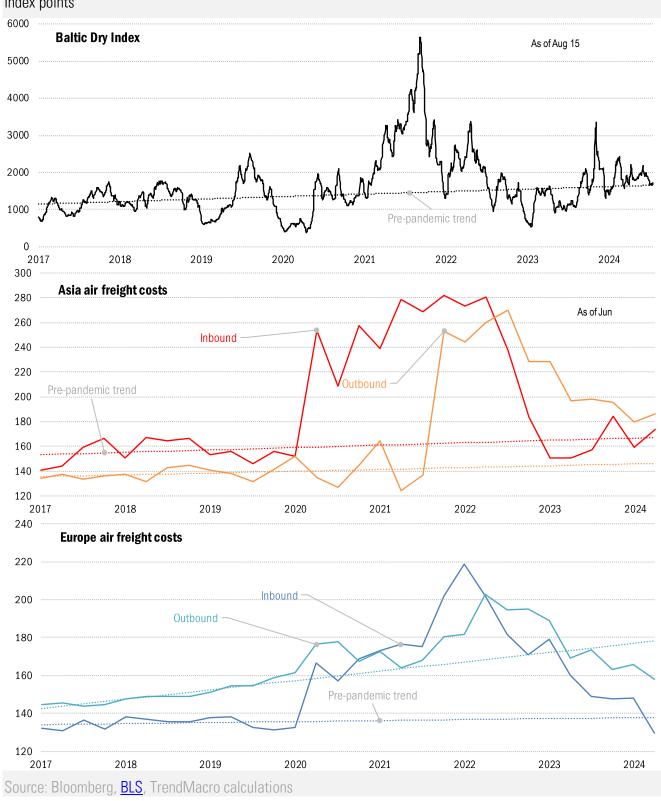


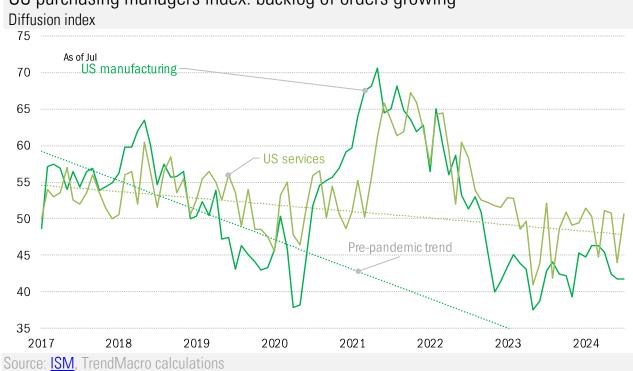
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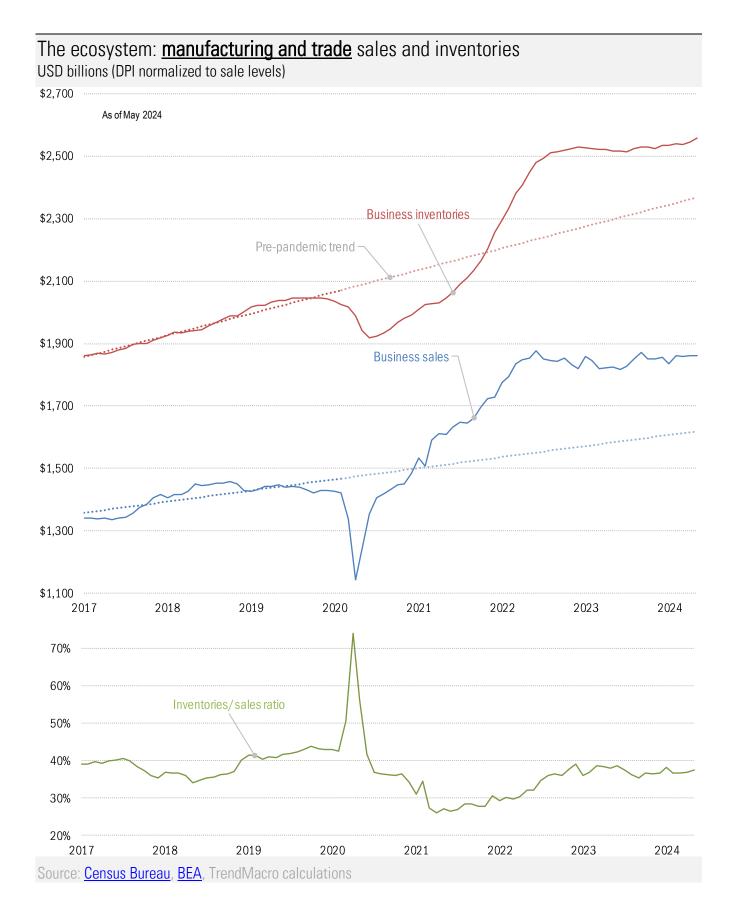




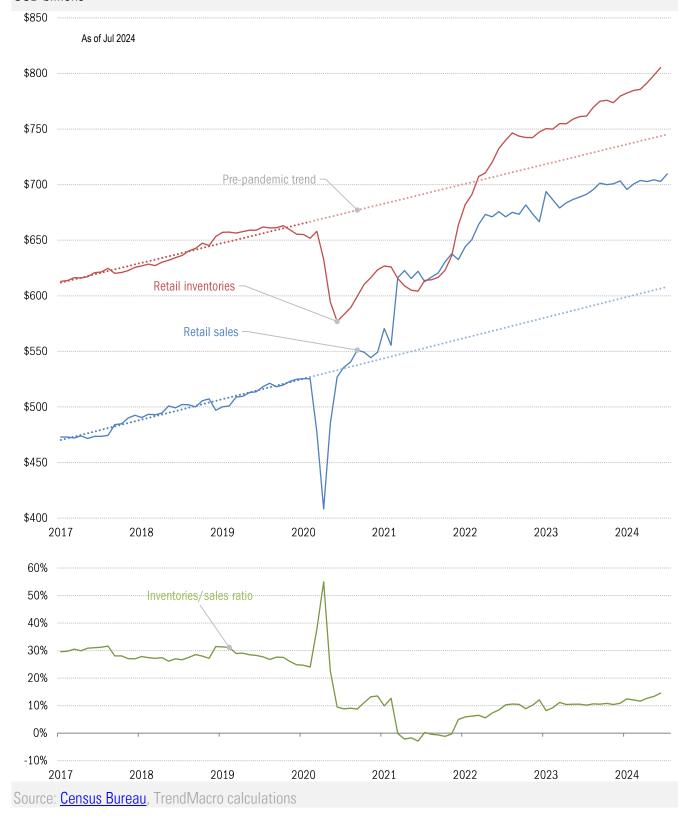
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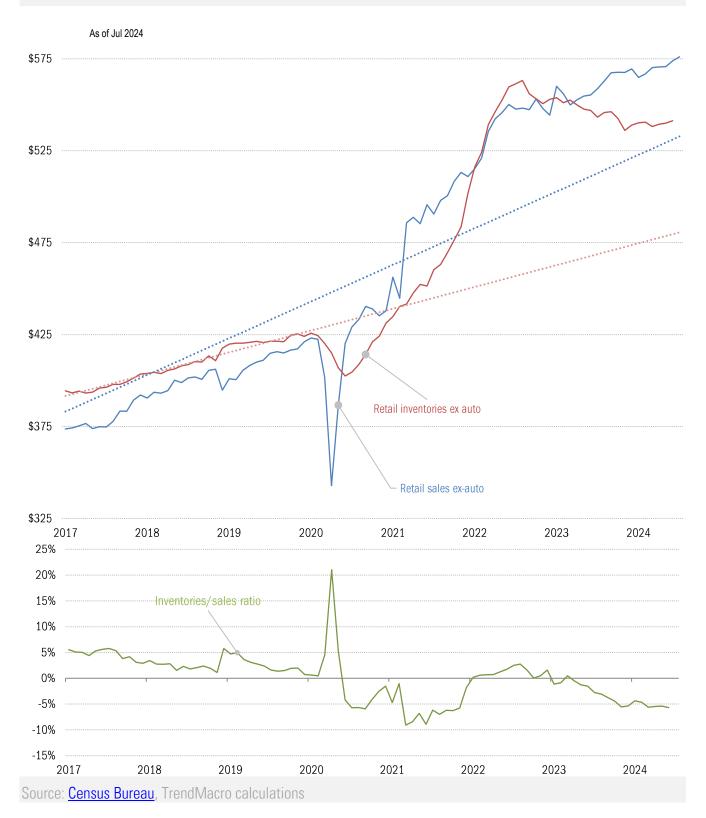


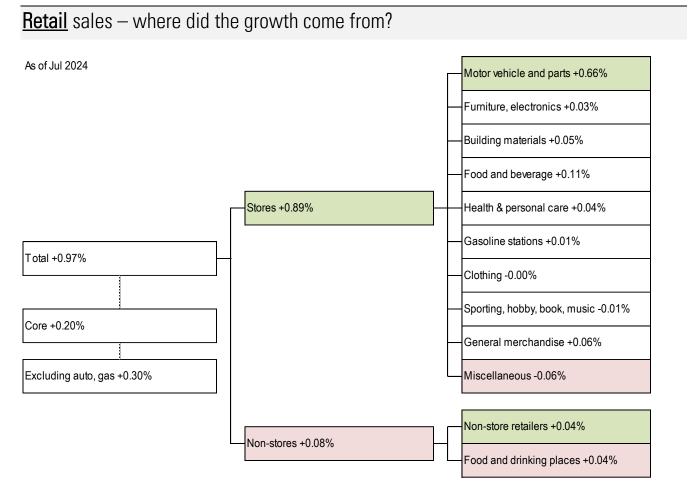
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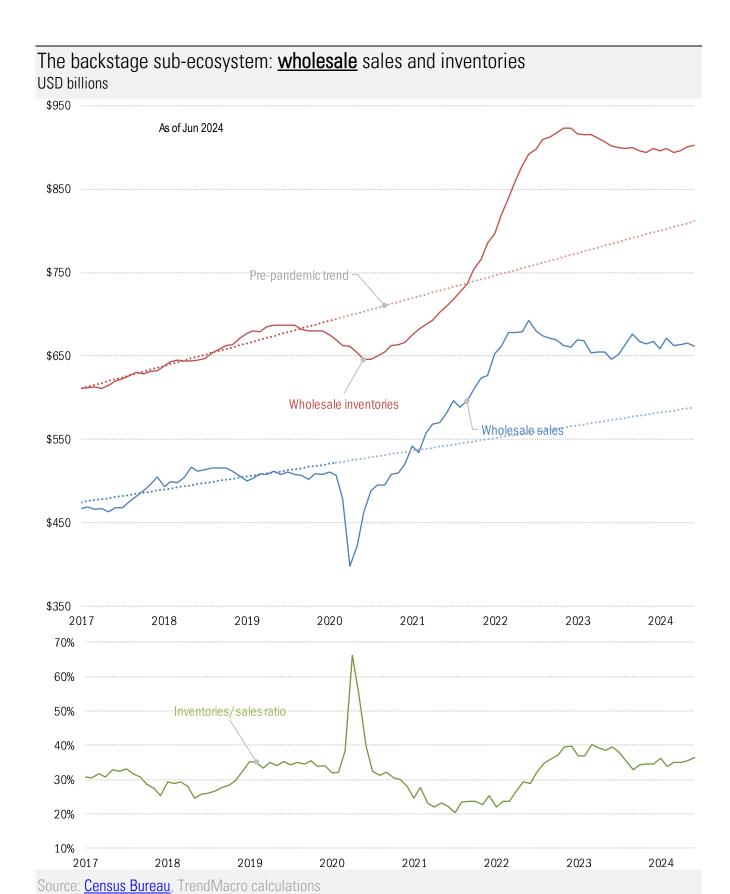


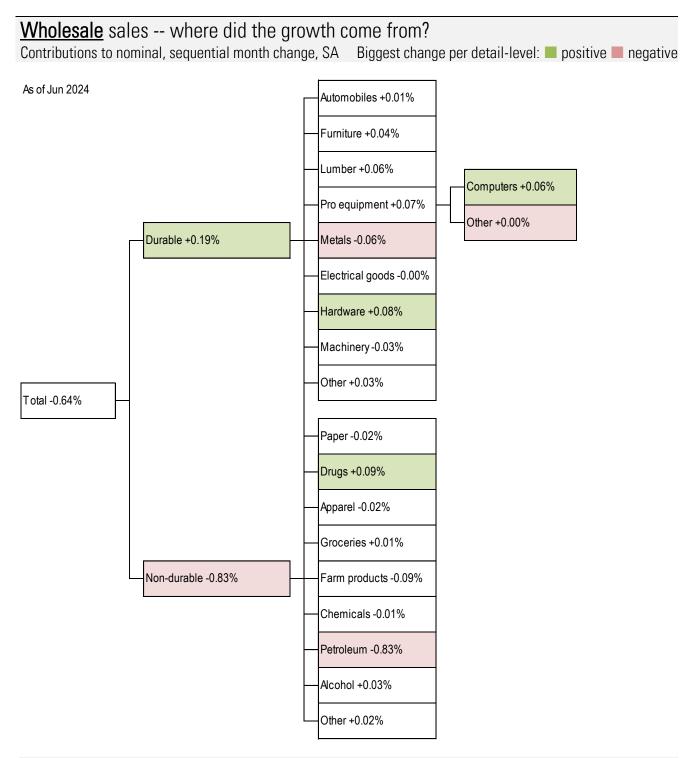
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Contributions to nominal, sequential month change, SA Biggest change per detail-level: positive negative

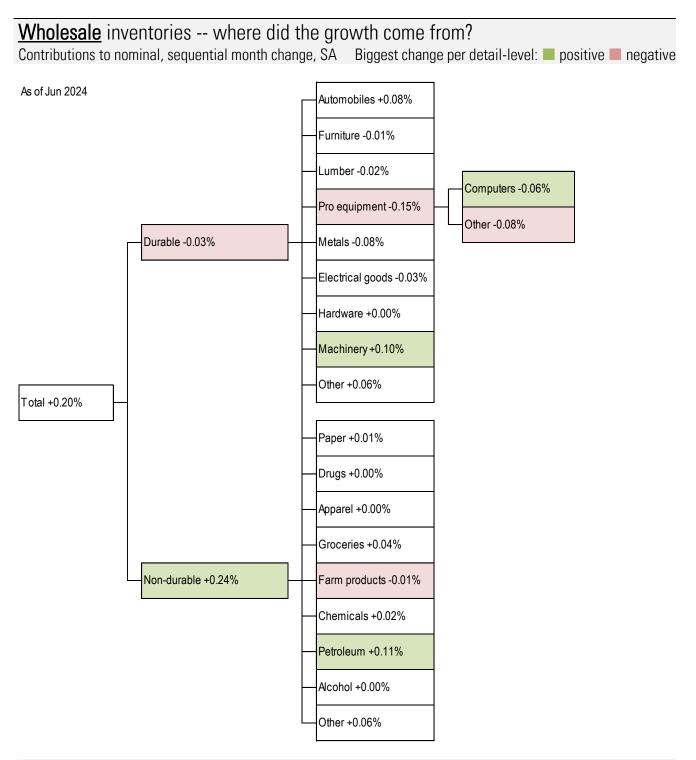
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	Furniture +0.01%
	Building materials -0.02%
	Food and beverage +0.00%
Total +0.74%	Clothing +0.09%
	General +0.05%
Excluding autos +0.14%	— Department stores +0.03%
	— Other -0.02%

Source: Census Bureau, TrendMacro calculations





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