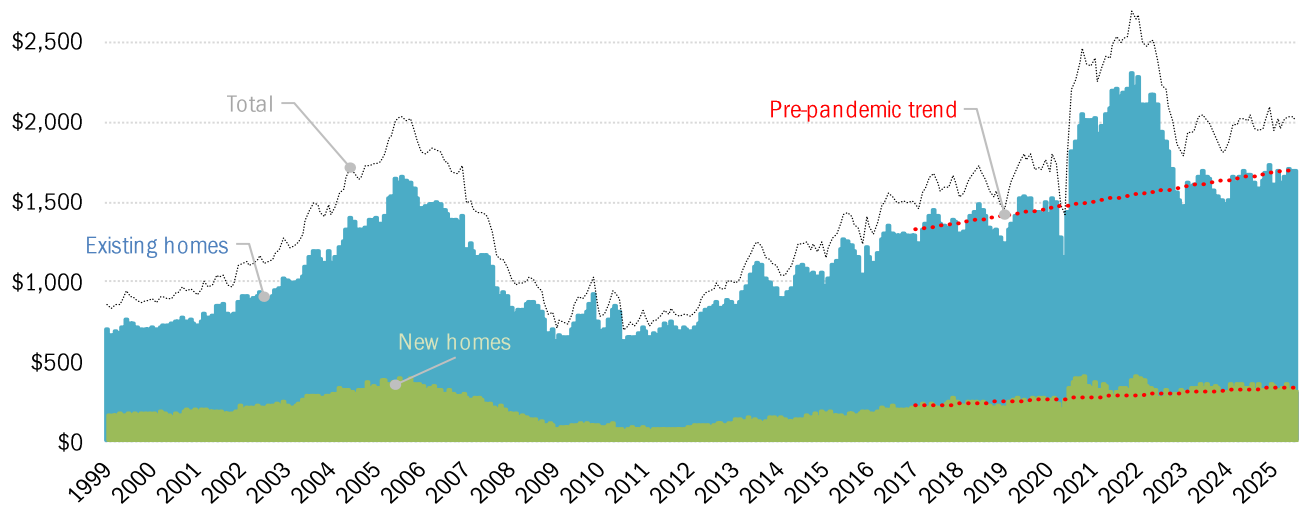


Data Insights: A Few of Our Favorite Things

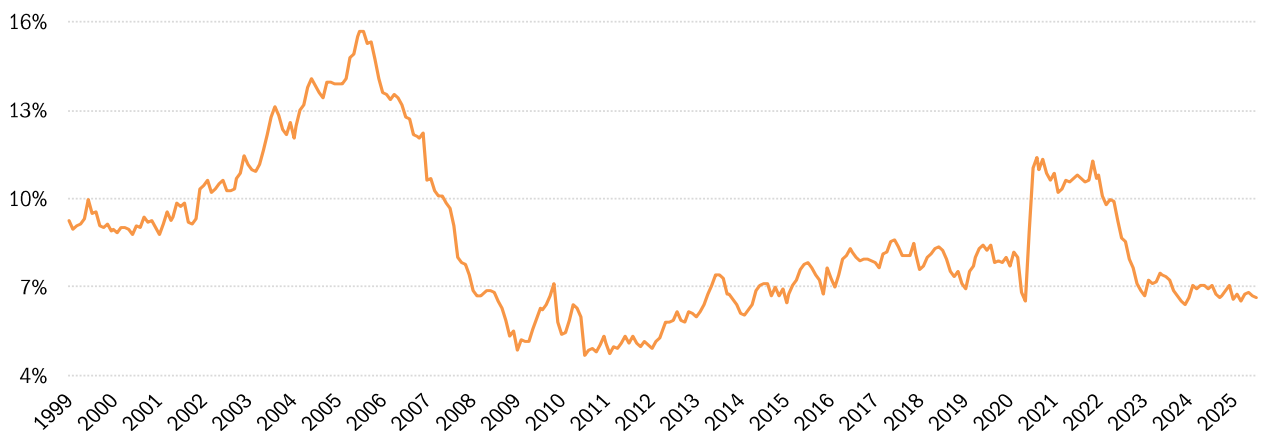
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Mid-frequency growth indicators not already covered in other regular reports

Valuing the housing recovery: TrendMacro Housing Transaction Value Aggregate USD billions, nominal, SAAR



TrendMacro Housing Transaction Value Aggregate: Total as percentage of GDP



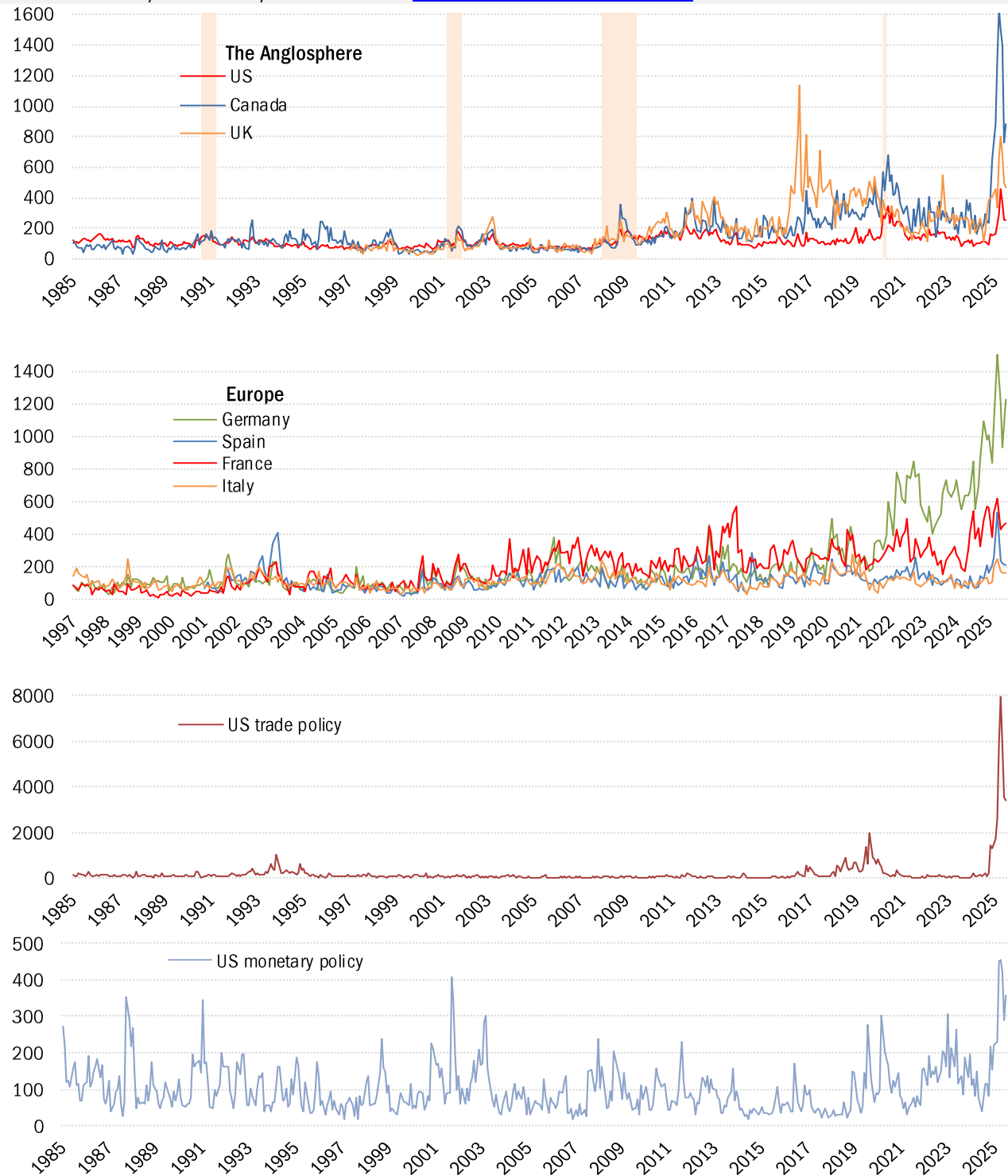
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The drag on animal spirits: tracking the burden of economic policy uncertainty

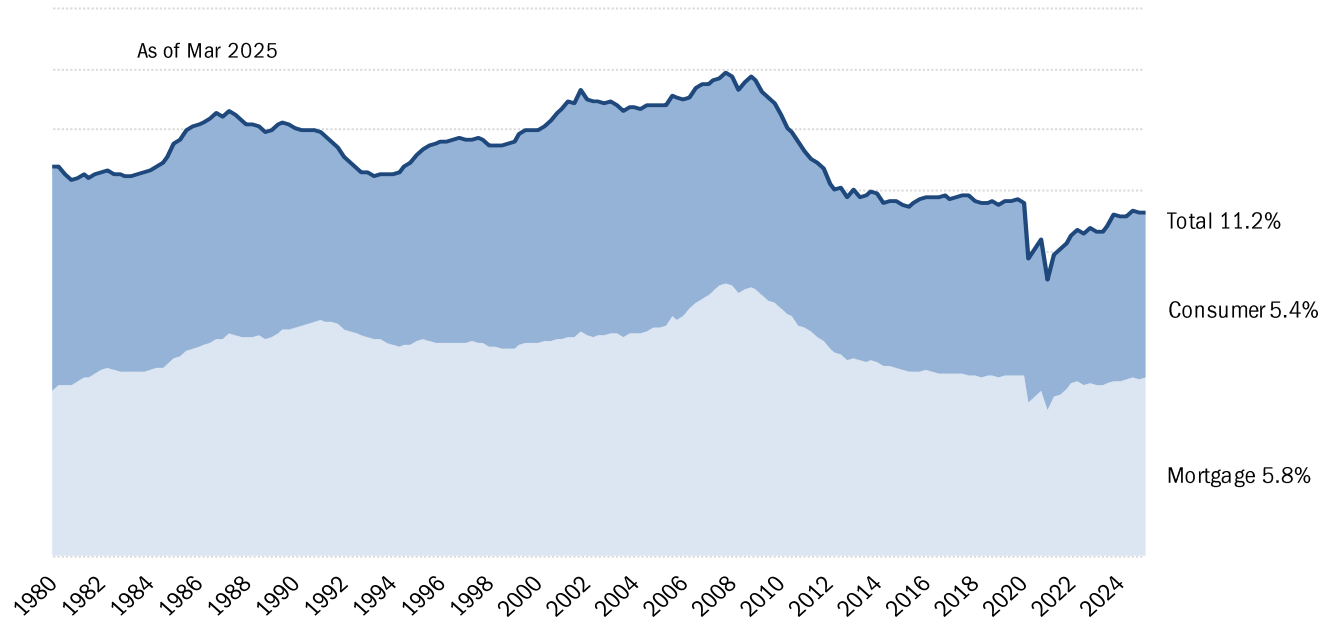
Economic Policy Uncertainty indices After [Baker, Bloom and Davis \(2015\)](#) US recession



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The deleveraged consumer: Debt service

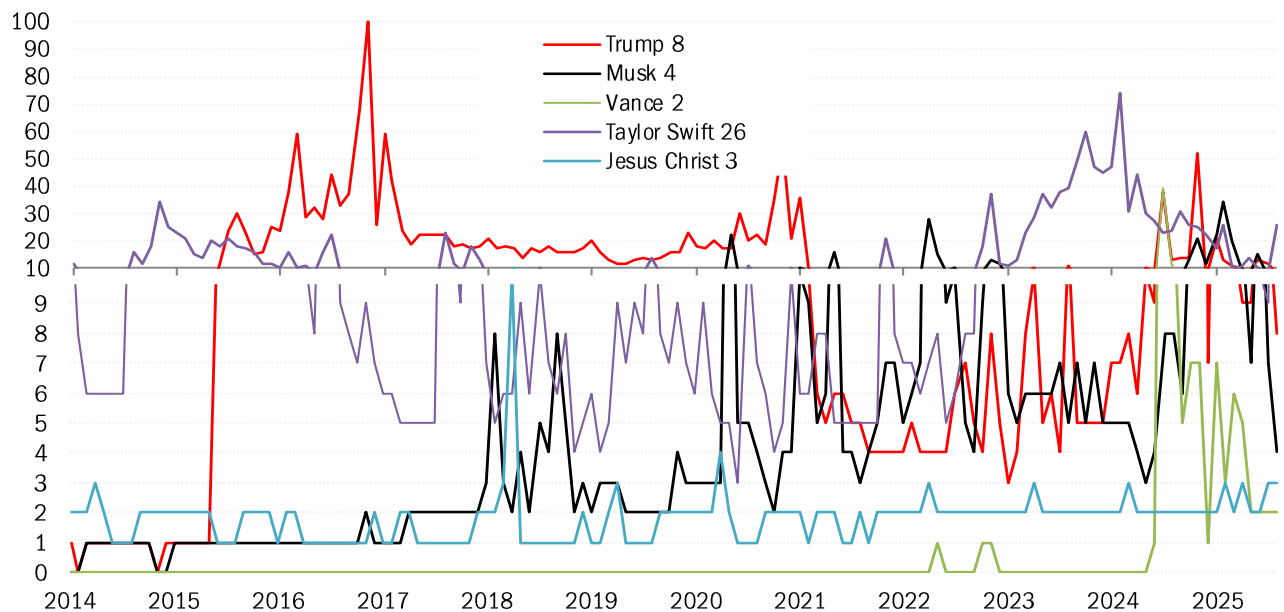
Household debt service payments as a percentage of disposable personal income; seasonally adjusted



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The world fights Trump for public mindshare

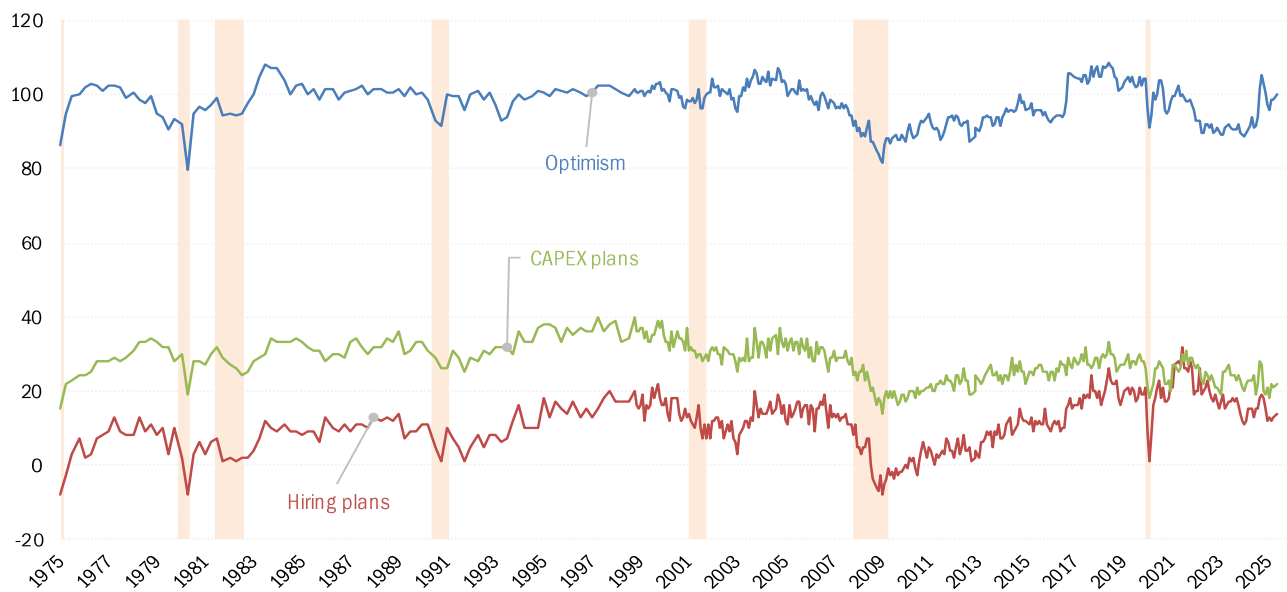
Google search requests, normalized to 100



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The drive-train of job creation: Small business optimism and growth plans

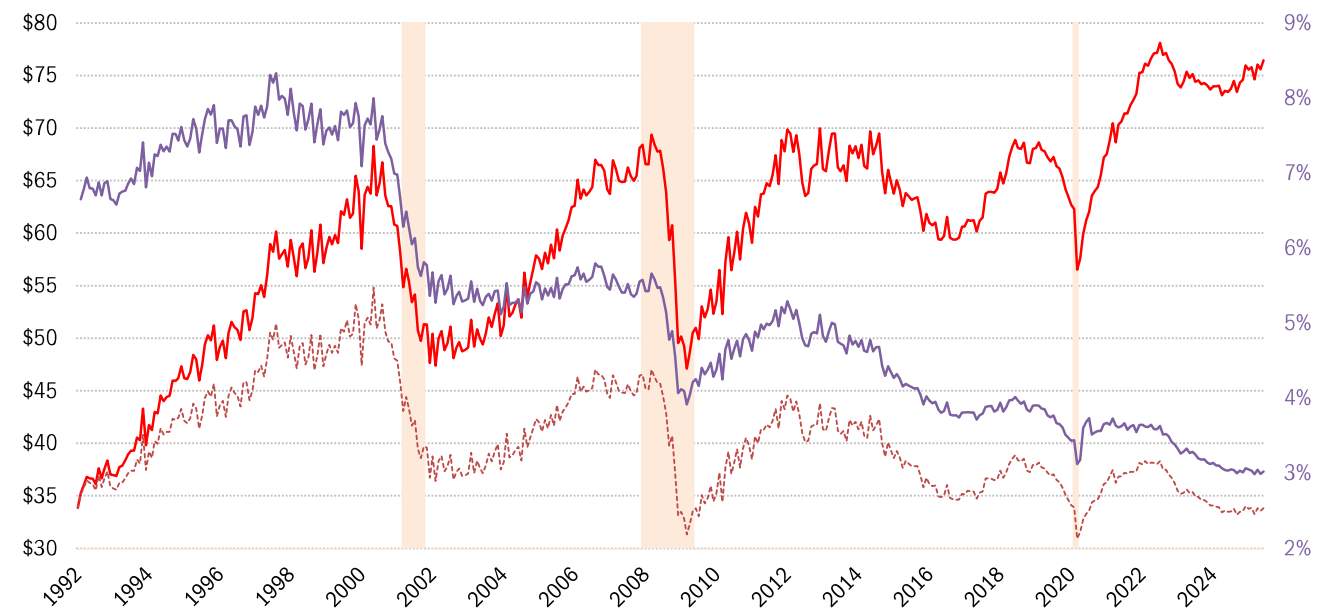
Surveys by National Federation of Independent Business



Source: NFIB, NBER, TrendMacro calculations

Precursor of the precursor of growth: orders for non-defense cap goods, ex-air

USD billions, SA — Nominal — Real — Percent GDP



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