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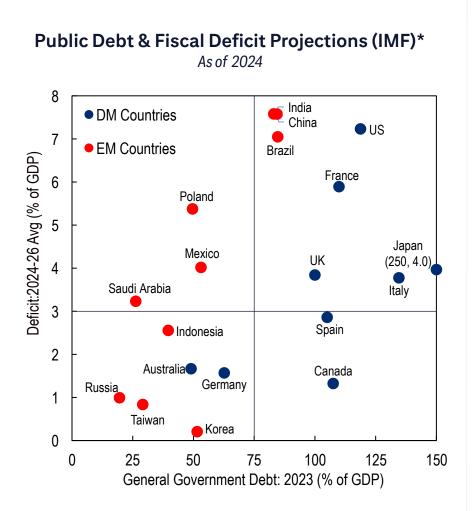
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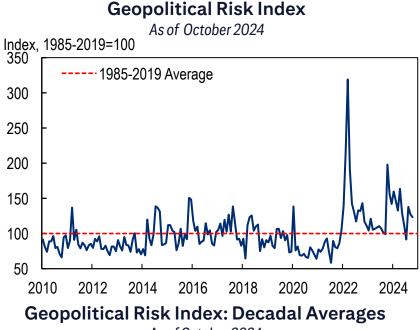
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The Context for Monetary Policy





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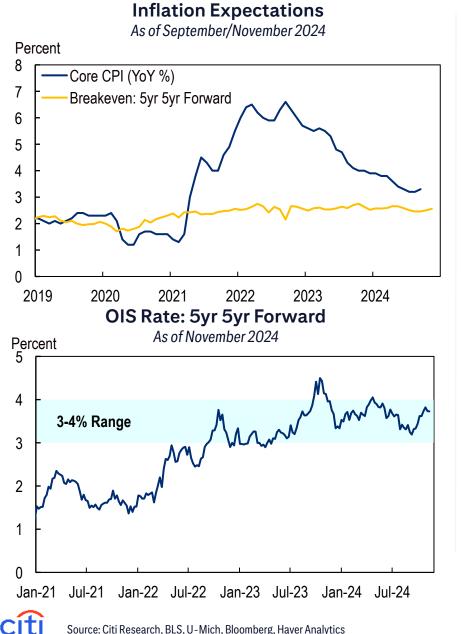
	Average (1900-2019=100)	Percentile
1900-1909	47.8	15.6
1910-1919	171.1	89.7
1920-1929	55.5	20.8
1930-1939	80.7	48.5
1940-1949	213.0	92.1
1950-1959	108.2	76.0
1960-1969	104.8	73.7
1970-1979	81.0	49.0
1980-1989	94.4	64.5
1990-1999	75.3	41.6
2000-2009	90.9	61.0
2010-2019	77.3	44.3
2020's	88.8	59.1

*Data are for general government.

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Source: Citi Research, IMF, Caldara and Iacoviello (2022), "Measuring Geopolitical Risk"

How Well Has the Fed Navigated the Challenges?



Key Points

Long-term inflation expectations have been well anchored.

- Markets have expected that the Fed will do its job.
- But there's uncertainty about where the Fed Funds rate will land over the longer run.
- How tight will the Fed need to be?

- Potential Implications of the US Election:
 - Tariffs
 - Tightening of immigration policy
 - Deregulation (disinflationary?)
 - Threats to Fed's independence?
- Some Longer-Term Forces:
 - Shifting contours of globalization
 - Efforts to achieve net zero?
 - Aging demographics
 - Advent of AI

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