



US Strategy Weekly

Job Contradictions

The 3-week-old Trump presidency continues to generate multiple headlines every day and this week was no exception. The big news was that the United States imposed a 25% tariff on imports of aluminum and steel and also cancelled exemptions for major suppliers such as Canada and Brazil. Trump also imposed a blanket 10% tariff on imports from top trading partner China and threatened a 25% barrier on all imports from Canada and Mexico, as well as looking at new reciprocal tariffs on imports of cars, computer chips and pharmaceuticals. These actions triggered condemnations by Mexico, Canada, and the European Union and ignited fears of a trade war; yet the stock market was unmoved. In our view, this stoic reaction by the market was rational because from a purely economic perspective these tariffs will be very troublesome for Mexico, Canada, China, and other major exporters to the US, but they are unlikely to be much of an issue domestically. And as we noted previously, a strong dollar will help to mute the impact of tariffs. More importantly, these tariffs are more likely to change the behavior of consumers and corporations and nullify much of the impact of tariffs. At least this is the long-term goal and US equities appear to have figured this out.

Gold has risen 16% since Trump was elected and the media has attributed this to the unpredictability of President Trump and the potential of trade wars; however, many precious metal analysts have noticed that demand for gold from abroad, particularly China, has increased and this is a reaction to their concern of weakness in their own currencies and a fear that tariffs will pressure their already declining economies. However, our favorite event of the week was the 30-minute press conference in the Oval Office with President Trump, Elon Musk, and X Musk, where Elon detailed much of what DOGE is doing and finding. Plus, Elon gave a mini course in business discipline and accounting. Nevertheless, the star was little X who clearly stole the show. (<https://www.foxnews.com/video/6368671861112>)

Overall, the story of the week was the resilience of the stock market even though a wave of tariffs were being imposed. Perhaps more surprisingly, our technical indicators improved this week. The 25-day up/down volume oscillator is at 1.42 this week, neutral and down a bit from two weeks ago when it was closing in on an overbought reading of 3.0 or greater. Nevertheless, it has a bullish bias. See page 14. The 10-day average of daily new highs is 162 this week and new lows are averaging 75. This combination of daily new highs above 100 and new lows below 100 is definitely positive. But the surprise of the week was the NYSE cumulative advance/decline line which made a new high on February 6, 2025. The previous high was made in November, generating a period of nonconfirmation; however, this new high confirms the current advance. See page 15. Last week's AAll survey showed bullishness fell 7.7% to 33.3% and bearishness rose 8.9% to 42.9%. Bullishness is now below average, and bearishness is above average, which is a favorable combination for the equity market. See page 16. All in all, these indicators, along with the charts of the popular indices, are all bullish.

What is not bullish is the growing federal deficit. This is shown on page 3, with newly released data from the CBO, the fiscal 2024 (September 30, 2024) deficit was 6.2% of GDP. However, new Treasury data show federal debt subsequently grew \$711 billion in the last three months of 2024, and the 12-

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month deficits-to-GDP rose to 6.9% (October), 7.1% (November), and 6.8% (December). This combination of rising deficits and rising interest rates has lifted interest payments as a percentage of outlays from 5.3% in 2020 to 13.1% in 2024. These deficit trends are unsustainable. See page 3.

Nonetheless, economic data has been favorable. The ISM nonmanufacturing index fell 1.2 points in January but continues to show an expanding service sector. See page 4. The NFIB small business survey dipped 2.3 points in January but remained above the long-term average of 98 for the third consecutive month. See page 5. The January employment report showed a 143,000 increase in the month of January, while revisions to previous months added an additional 100,000 more jobs. The household survey showed the unemployment rate fell slightly from 4.1% to 4.0% in the month. See page 6.

Unfortunately, the January employment release is a difficult report to analyze due to the annual benchmark revisions in the establishment survey, the Census population revisions to the household survey, and the updating of seasonal adjustments in both surveys. This year the establishment survey benchmark revision for March 2024, without seasonal adjustments, lowered employment by 598,000 workers, or 0.4%. This was unusually large since the typical revision is plus or minus 0.1%.

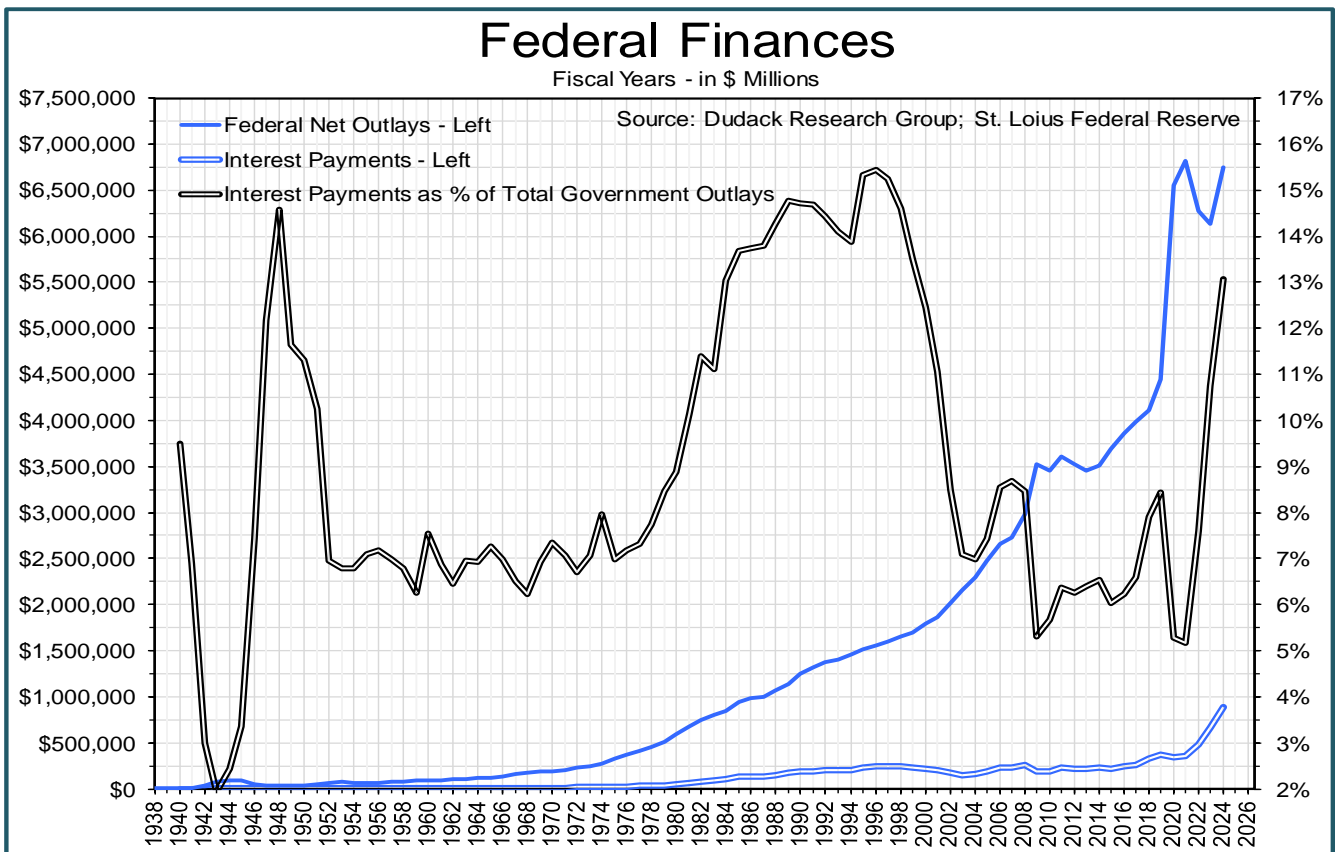
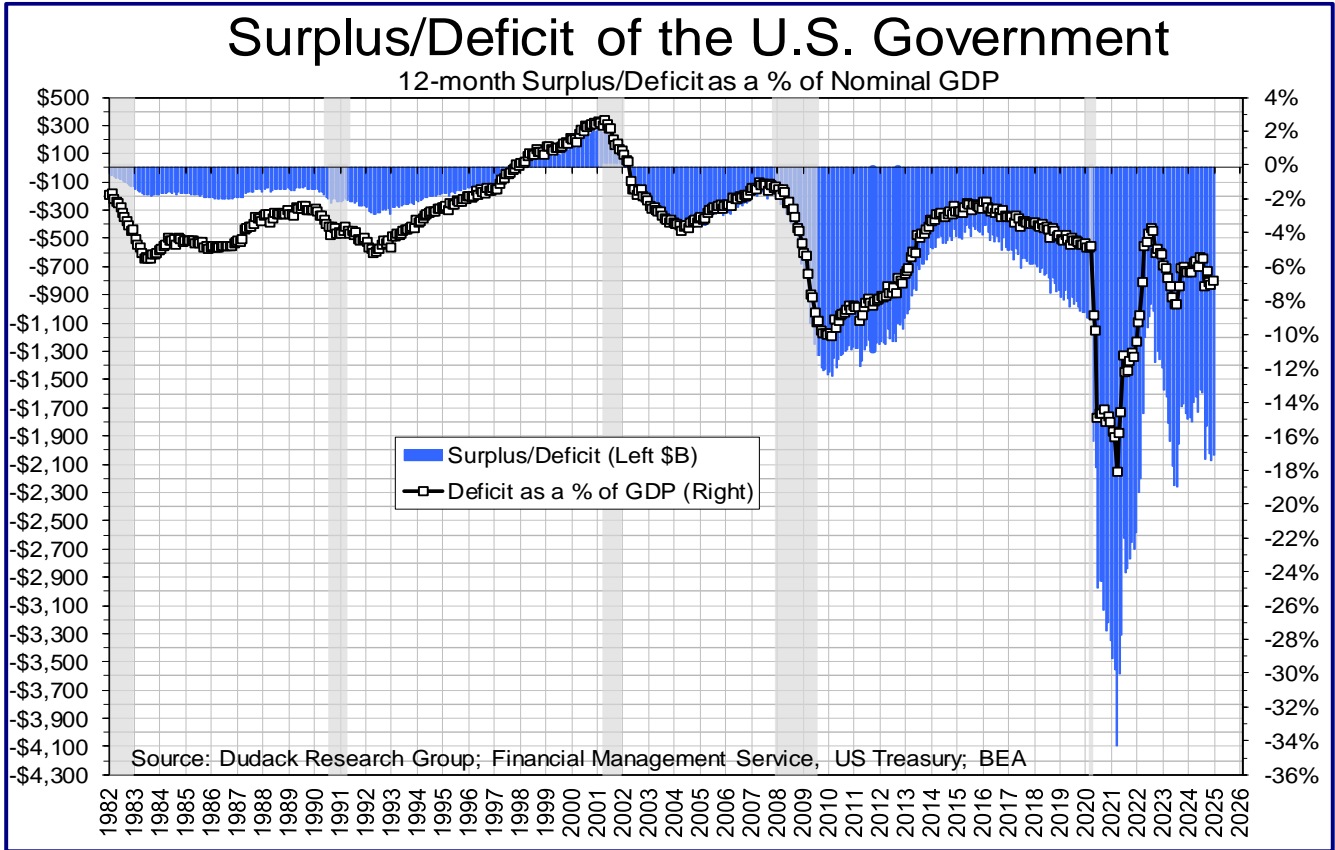
The population adjustment to the household survey increased the civilian noninstitutional population (age 16 and over) by 2.9 million and increases were substantial for Asians and Hispanics. The total civilian labor force increased 2.1 million, including an increase of 2.0 million in employment and 105,000 in unemployment. The number of people not in the labor force increased by 765,000. As is its usual practice, the BLS does not revise official household survey estimates for earlier months and therefore this bump in population is very obvious in many of the charts on the following pages. The uptick in January employment in the household survey depicts a 1.7% YOY growth rate, which is well above the long-term average of 1.5%. However, this spike in employment could be less an increase in real workers and more an increase in the Census Bureau's estimate of population growth. Still, we are relieved that the household survey, which had been showing no employment growth for much of 2024, could simply have been an undercounting of both population and employment.

Nevertheless, the January report is dubious for a variety of reasons. We know that seasonal adjustments were revised in both surveys, however there were unusually large differences between the seasonal adjusted data and the not-seasonally-adjusted data this month. For example, January's establishment survey showed the addition of 143,000 new jobs in seasonally adjusted data, and a loss of 2.85 million jobs in the not-seasonally adjusted data. That is a strangely large discrepancy.

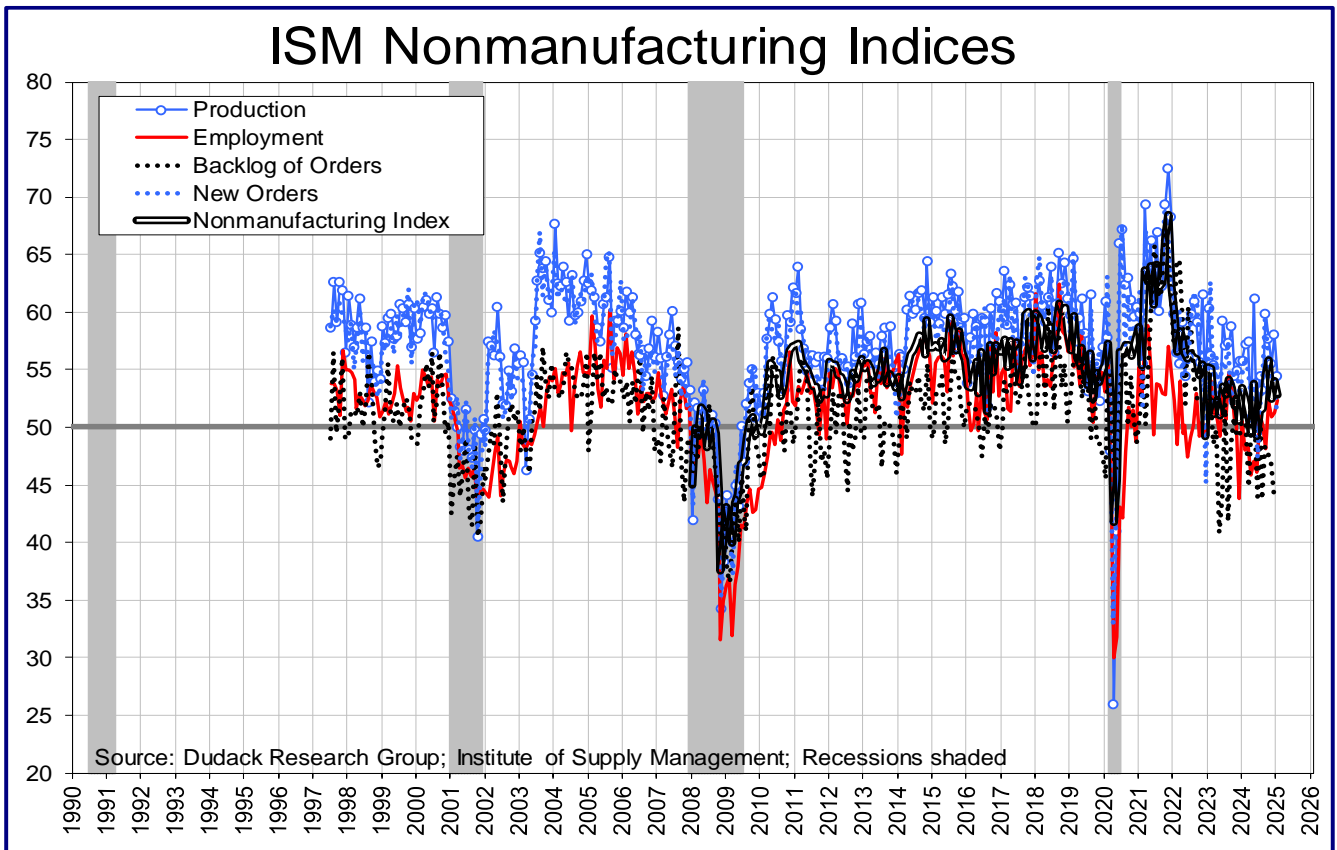
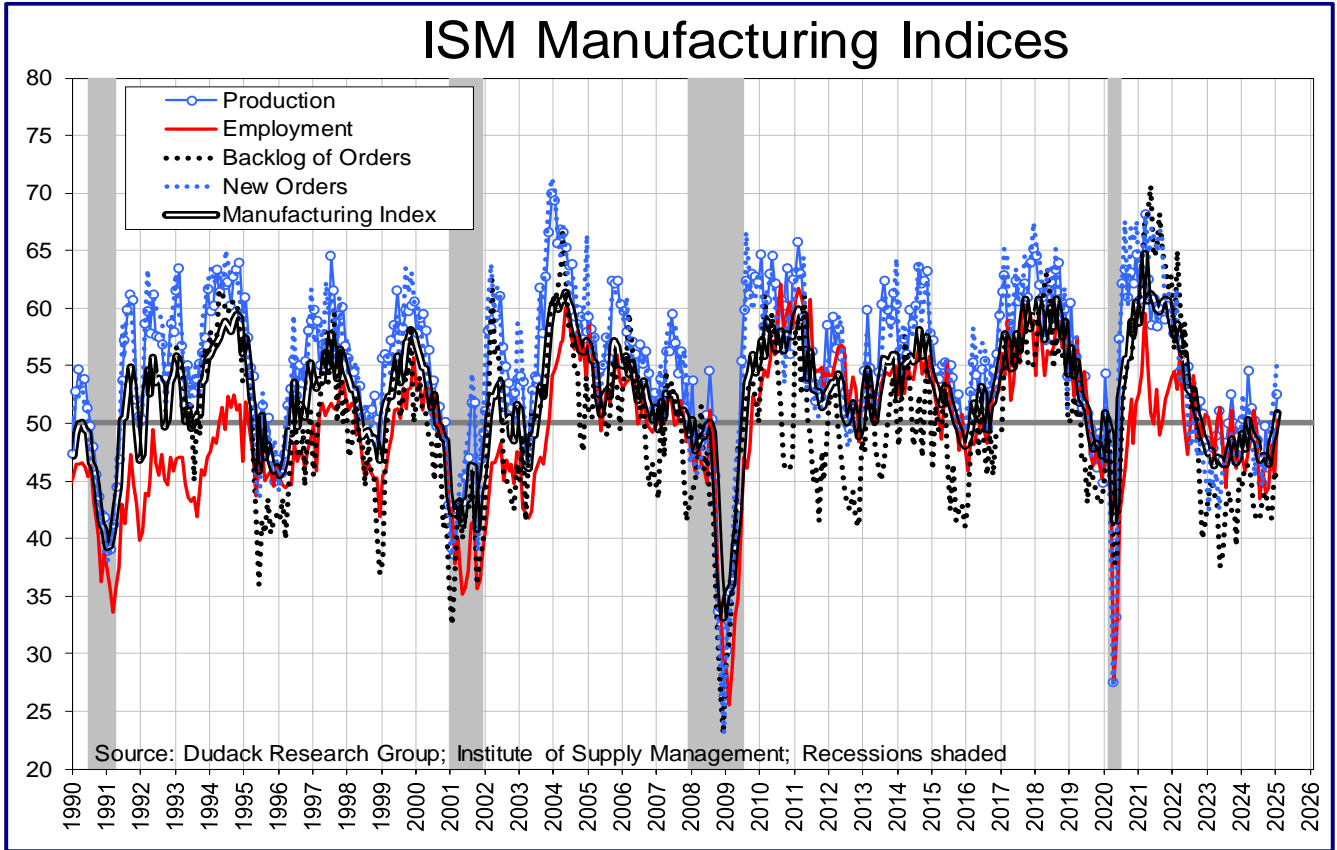
In the household survey, January's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate fell from 4.1% to 4.0%, but the unadjusted unemployment rate for those 16 and over rose from 3.7% to 4.2%. Unadjusted unemployment rates for men, women, and workers by level of education also rose in January. Only the not seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for those with less than a high school diploma actually fell from 5.6% to 5.2%. Those with a bachelor's degree or higher saw their unemployment rate ease from 2.4% to 2.3%. But other educational categories saw a rise in their unemployment rates, contrary to the decline in the overall rate.

Similarly, native versus foreign employment statistics, which are not seasonally adjusted, showed the native unemployment rate rising from 3.7% to 4.3% and the foreign unemployment rate rising from 4.3% to 4.6%. The seasonally adjusted employment-population ratio and labor force participation rates both rose 0.1% due to Census revisions, but the unadjusted employment population ratio fell from 59.3% to 57.6%. In sum, January's job report is filled with contradictions. We wonder if Elon Musk and his minions can do something to improve government agency data.

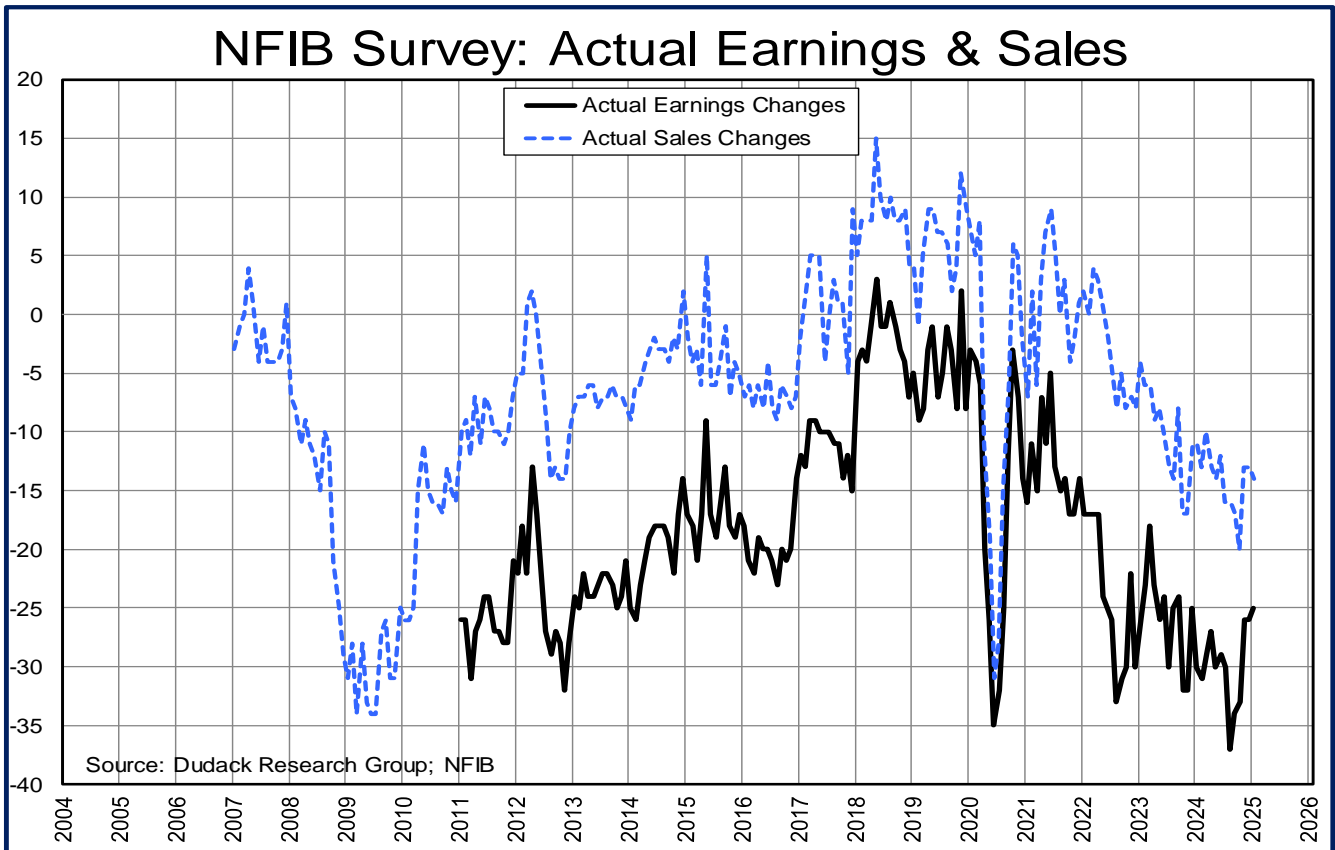
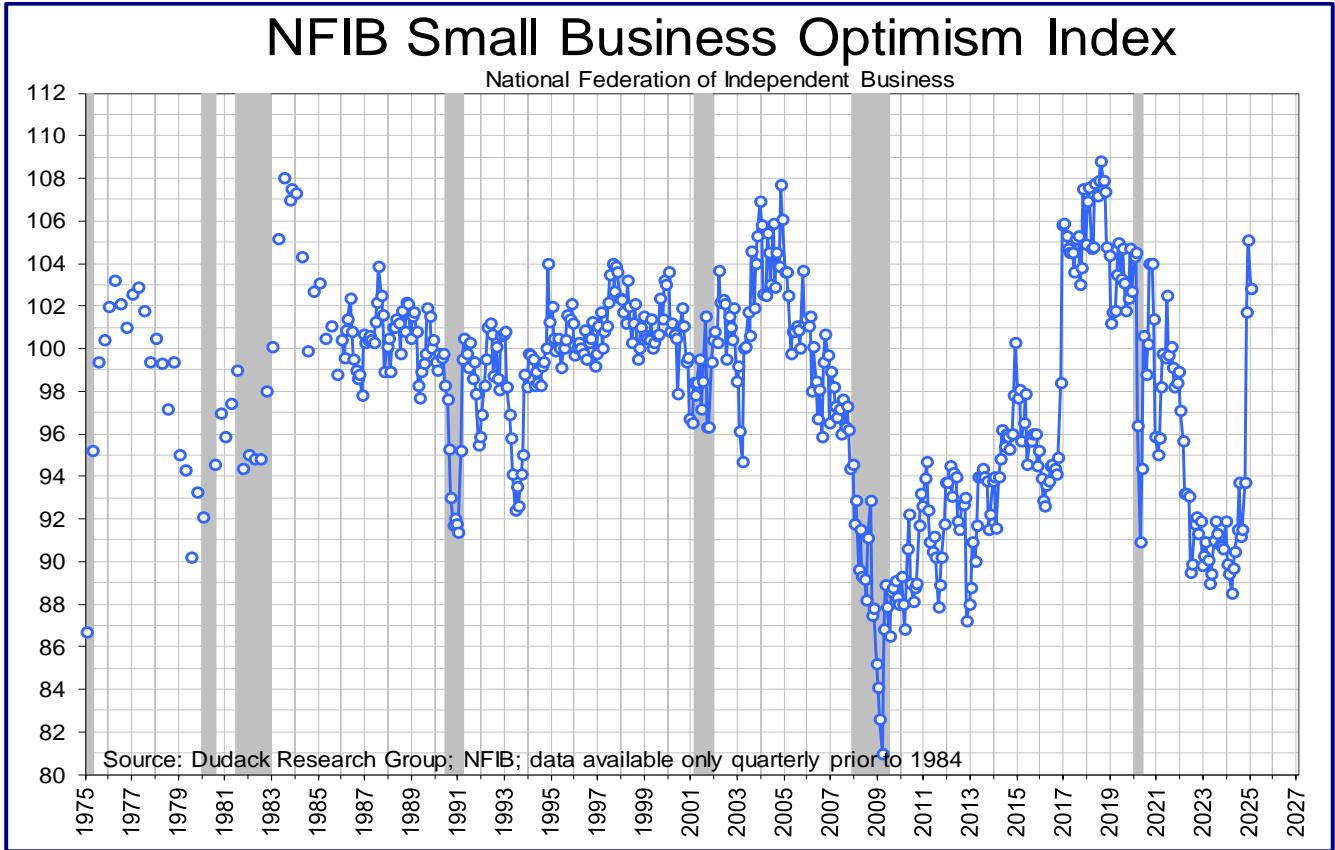
The new administration inherits a massive deficit, which we view as a potential hurdle for bonds in 2025. CBO data shows the fiscal 2024 (September 30, 2024) deficit was 6.2% of GDP. However, Treasury data shows the 12-month deficits-to-GDP in the last 3 months of the year rose to 6.9%, 7.1%, and 6.8%, respectively. This combination of rising deficits and rising interest rates has lifted interest payments as a % of outlays from 5.3% in 2020 to 13.1% in 2024. These deficit trends are unsustainable.



Last week we reported that the ISM manufacturing index for January was 50.9 and above 50 for the first time in 26 months. This week the ISM nonmanufacturing index fell 1.2 points to 52.8 but continued to show an expansion in the service sector. The parts of the survey that registered below 50 were inventory (47.5), backlog of orders (44.8), and imports (49.8). The biggest increases in January were employment (51.3 to 52.3), exports (50.1 to 52.0), supplier deliveries (52.5 to 53.0), and backlog of orders (44.3 to 44.8).



The NFIB small business optimism Index fell by 2.3 points in January to 102.8, the third consecutive month above the 51-year average of 98. Of the 10 components, one increased, 7 decreased and 2 were unchanged. The NFIB uncertainty index rose 14 points to 100 after two months of declines. Actual earnings changes rose 1 point to negative 25, but this index is up from negative 37 in August. Actual sales changes fell 1 point to negative 14, but this too is up from negative 20 in October.



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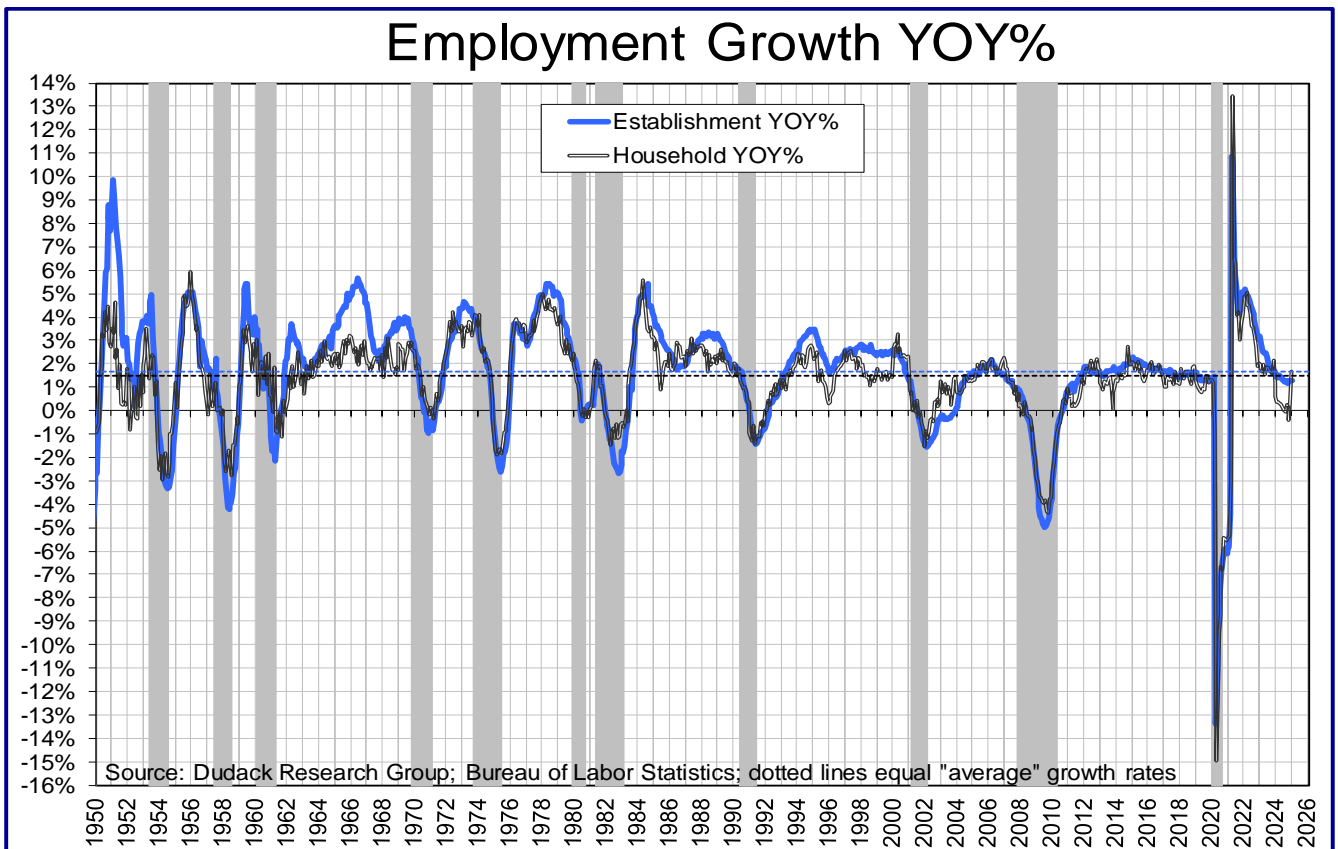
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The January jobs report showed a 143,000 increase in the month of January, but revisions to previous months added an additional 100,000 more jobs than previously reported. Revisions included additional reports from businesses and government agencies, as well as recalculation of seasonal factors, and annual benchmarking.

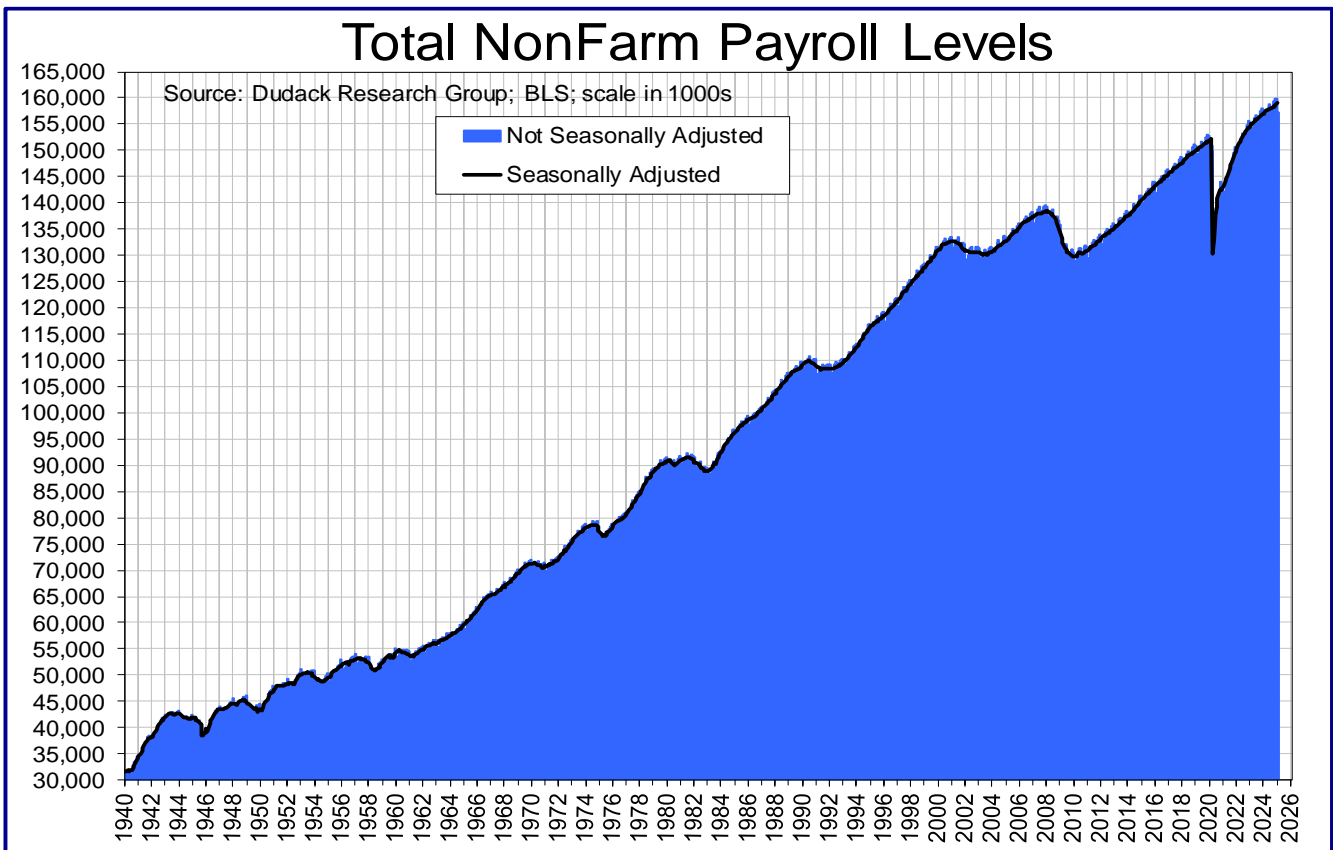
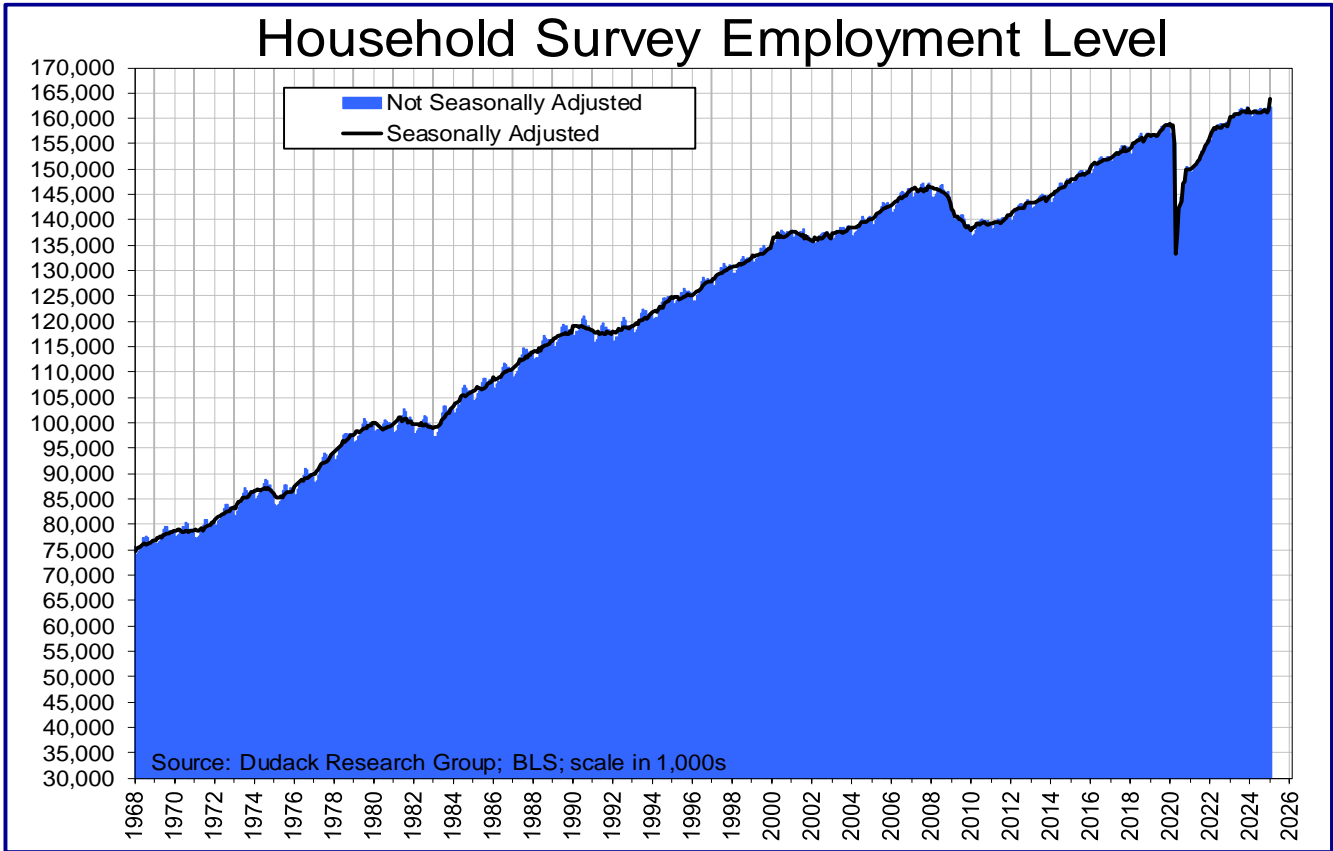
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| Employment Surveys (1,000s SA) | Jan-25 | Dec-24 | Change | Jan-24 | Yr/Yr |
|---|---------|---------|--------|---------|-------|
| Establishment Survey: NonFarm Payrolls | 159,069 | 158,926 | 143 | 157,049 | 2,020 |
| Household Survey Data (1,000s) | | | | | |
| Employed (A) | 163,895 | 161,661 | 2,234 | 161,190 | 2,705 |
| Unemployed (B) | 6,849 | 6,886 | (37) | 6,149 | 700 |
| Civilian labor force [A+B] | 170,744 | 168,547 | 2,197 | 167,339 | 3,405 |
| Unemployment rate [B/(A+B)] | 4.0% | 4.1% | -0.1% | 3.7% | 0.3% |
| U6 Unemployment rate | 7.5% | 7.5% | 0.0% | 7.2% | 0.3% |
| Civilian noninstitutional population (C) | 272,685 | 269,638 | 3,047 | 267,540 | 5,145 |
| Participation rate [(A+B)/C] | 62.6 | 62.5 | 0.1 | 62.5 | 0.1 |
| Employment-population ratio [A/C] | 60.1 | 60.0 | 0.1 | 60.2 | -0.1 |
| Not in labor force | 101,941 | 99,754 | 2,187 | 100,201 | 1,740 |

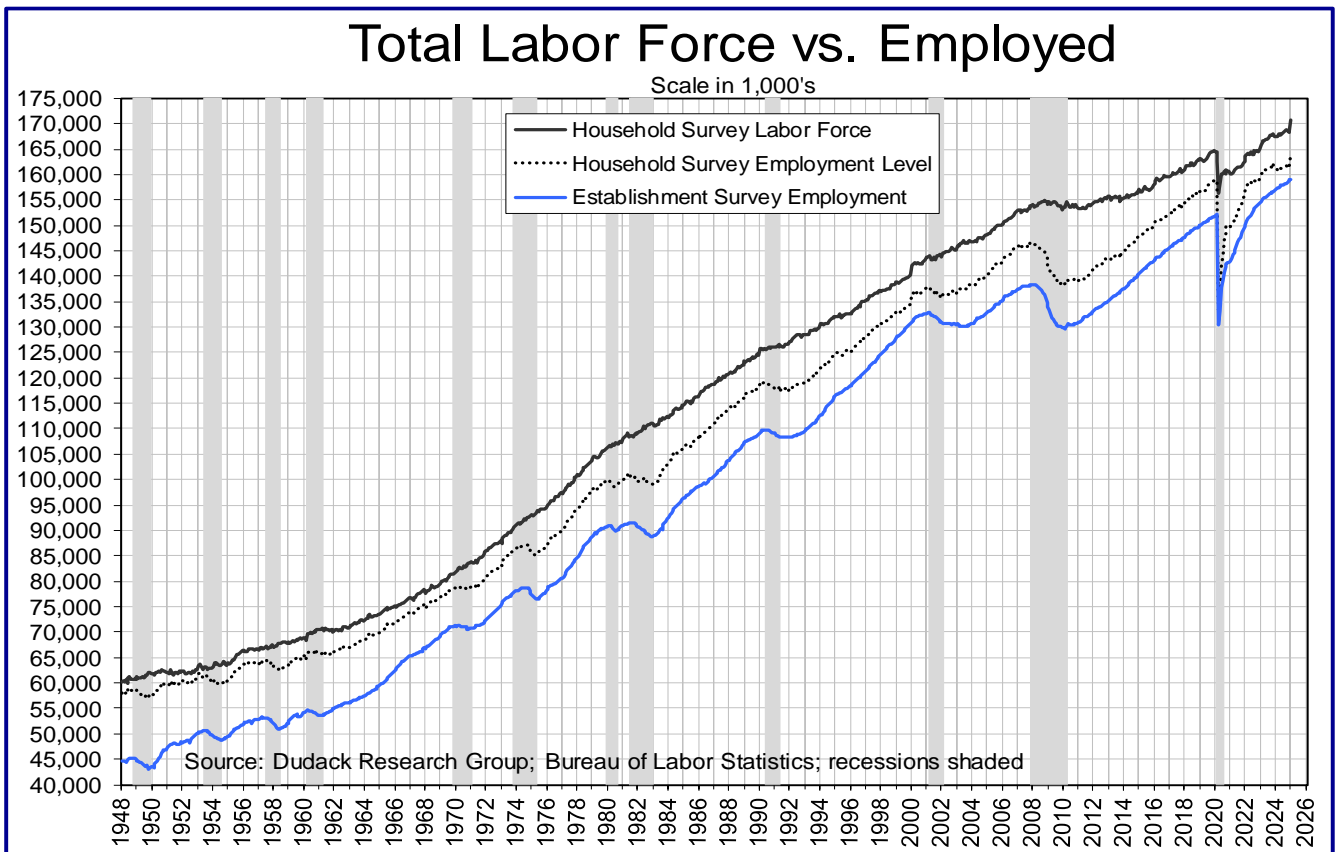
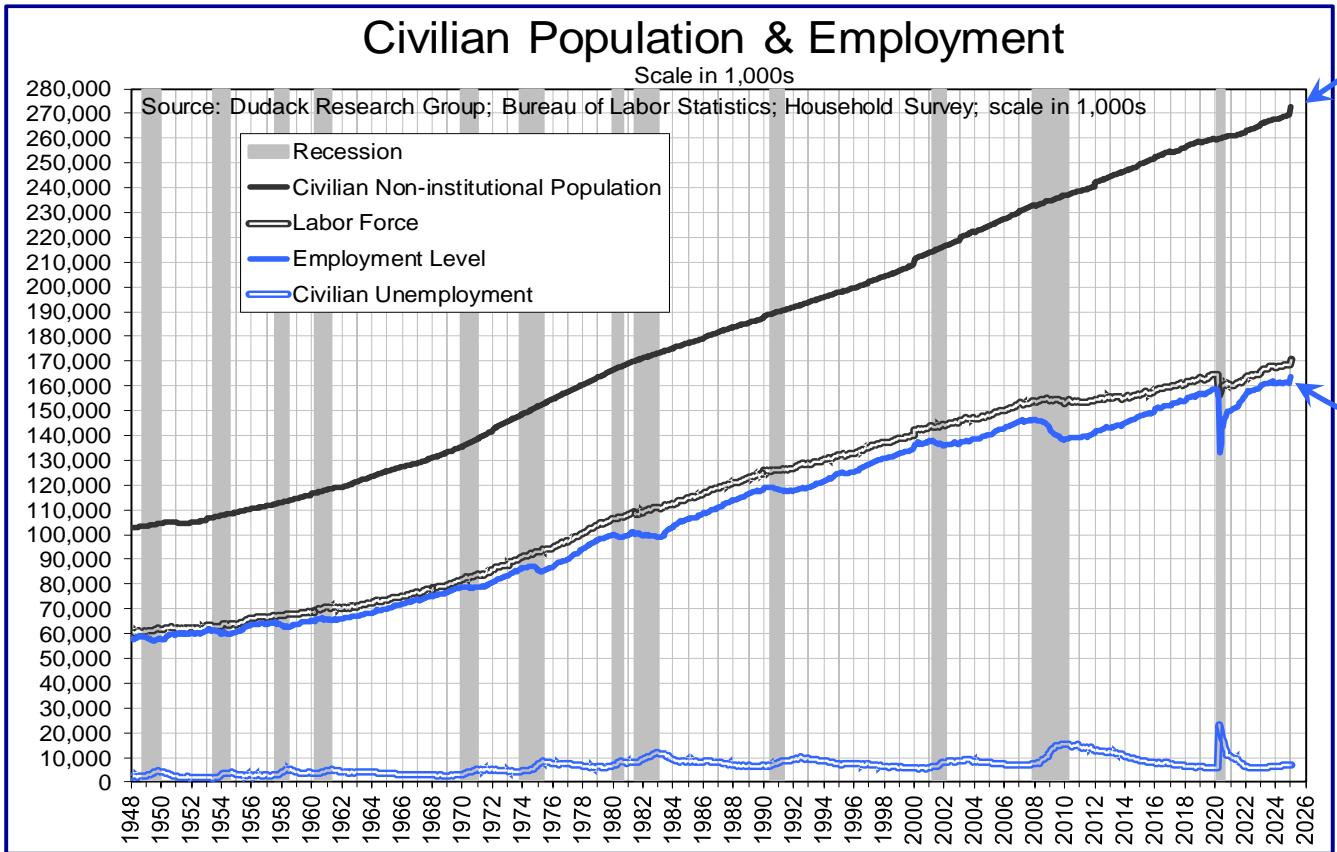
Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics



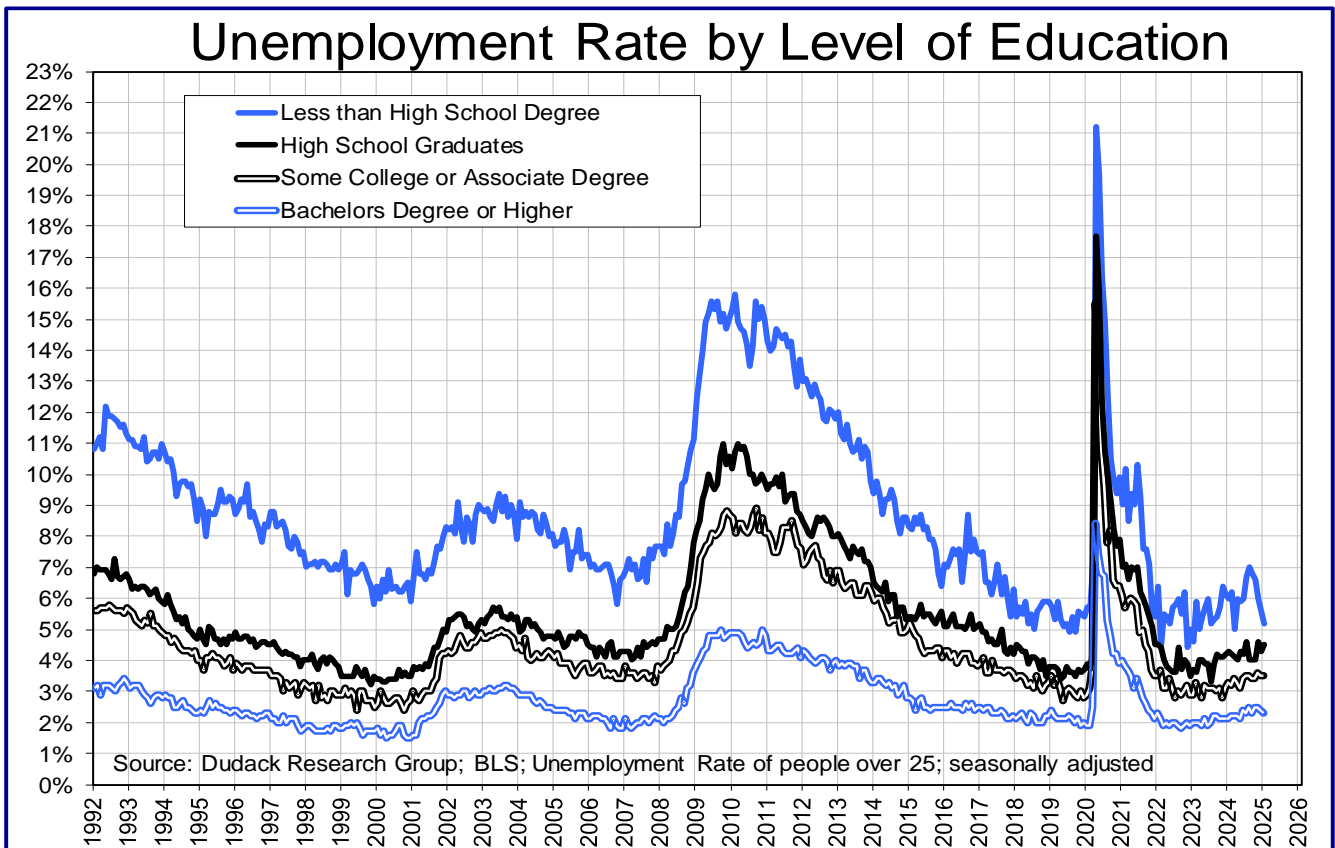
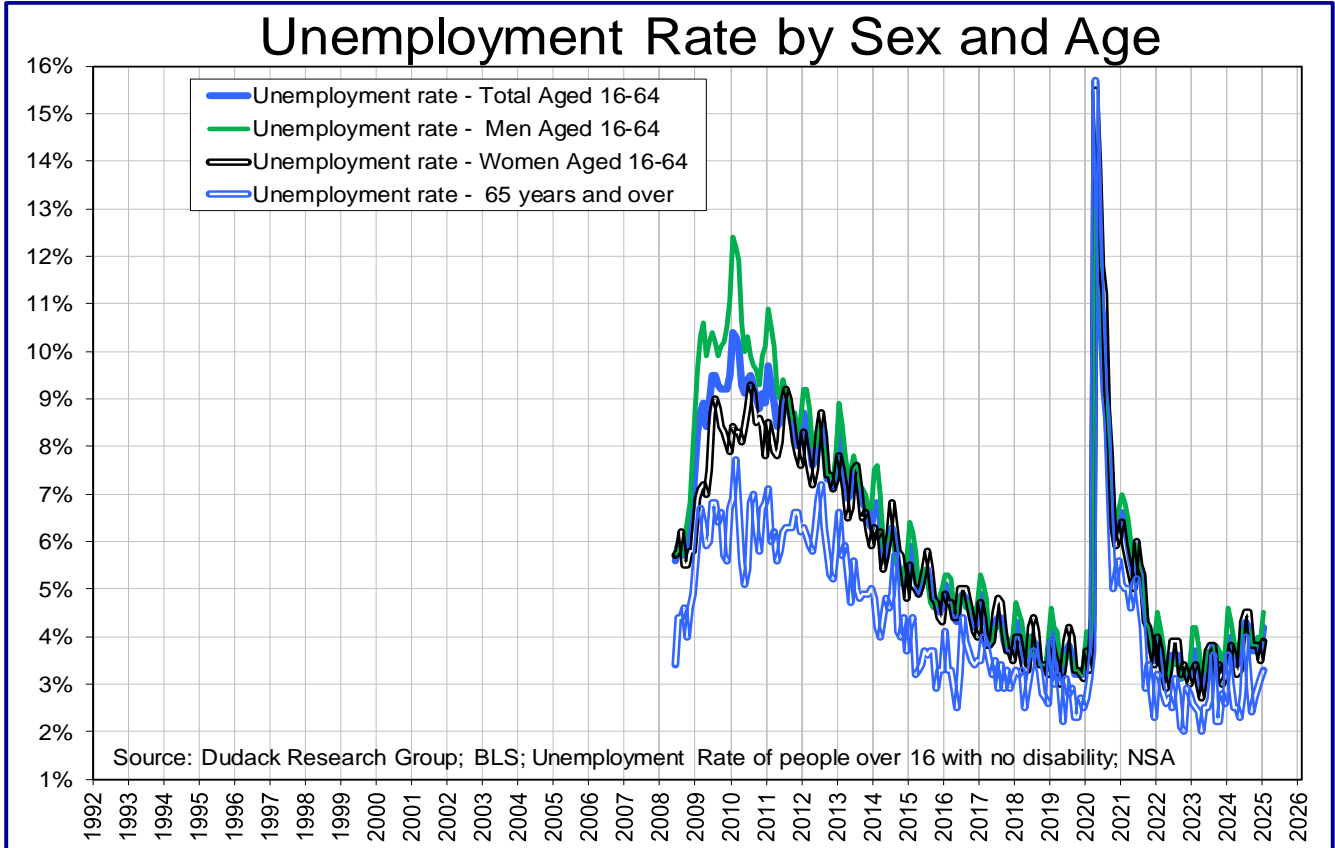
The 2.0 million increase in employment in the household survey is clearly seen in the chart below. The benchmark revisions in nonfarm payrolls are adjusted back to 2024 and it shows a slower but still steady climb in employment. What is important to us is that the year-over-year gains in both surveys are now positive. The establishment survey had a 1.3% YOY gain versus the 1.7% average; whereas the household survey displayed a 1.7% YOY gain versus the 1.5% long-term average. However, since this survey has not been revised in earlier months, this % growth in the labor force is not analyzable.



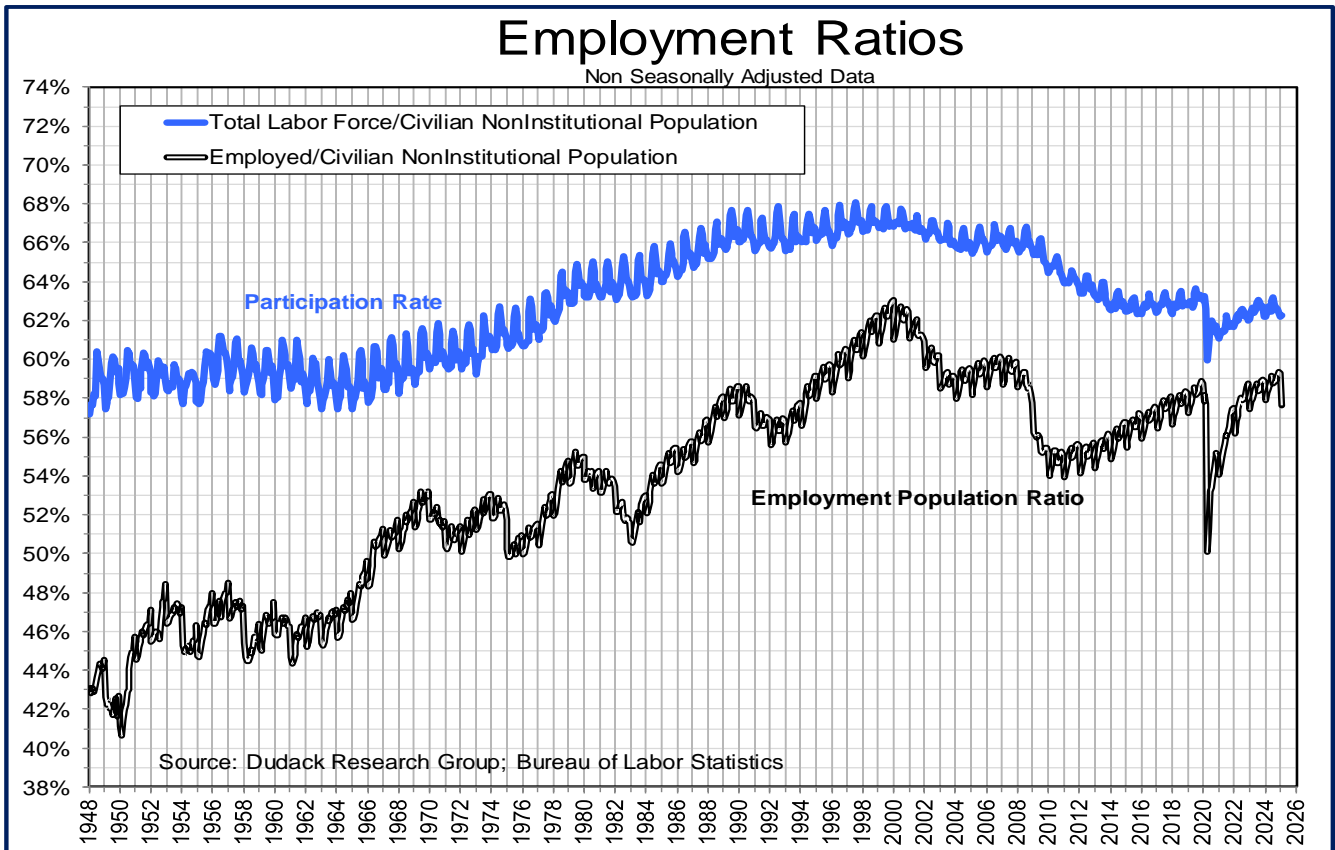
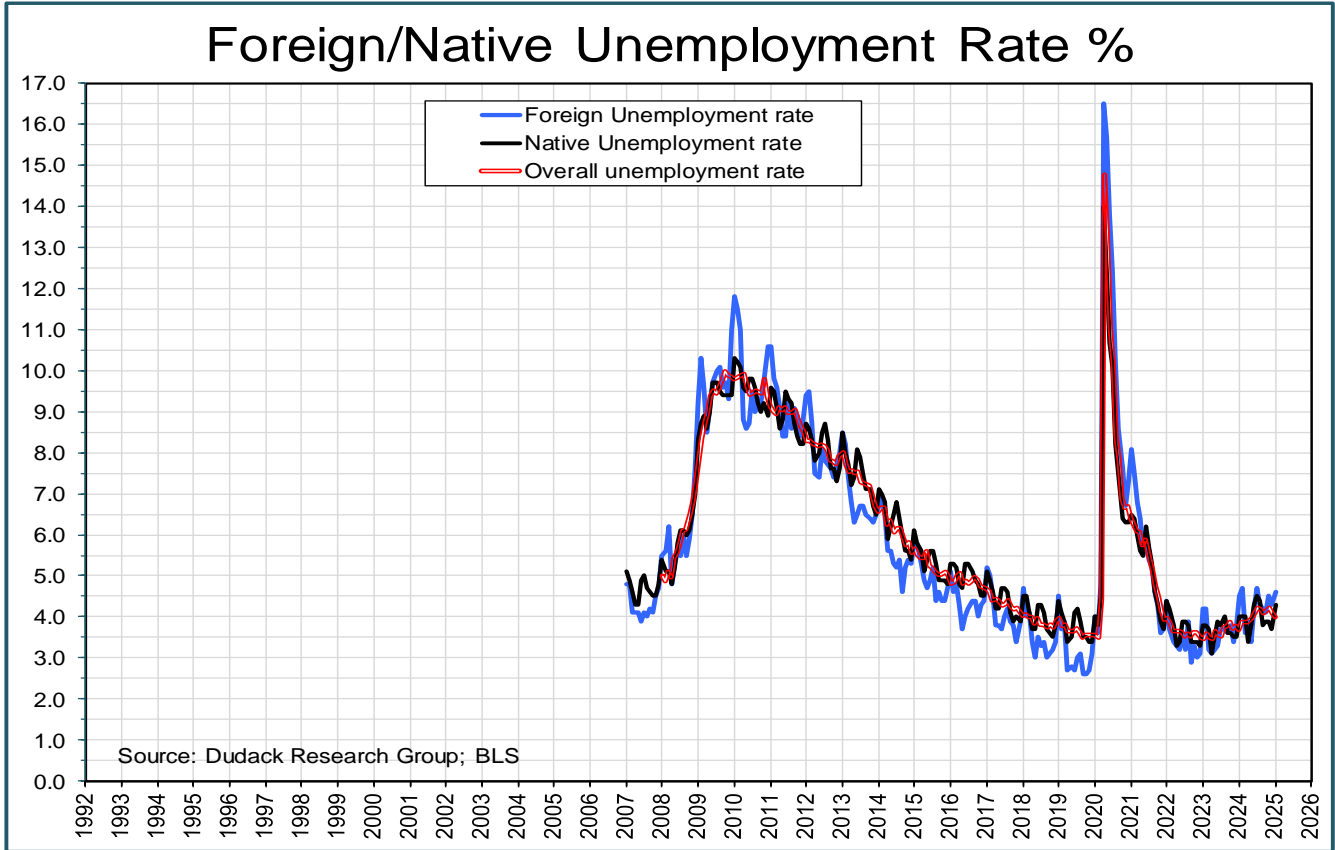
January's changes in the household survey begin with the Census Bureau's increase in the civilian non-institutional population. It then trickles down to an increase in the labor force, employment, and unemployment. But the largest positive change was in employment. How this compares to the establishment survey employment level is seen in the bottom chart.



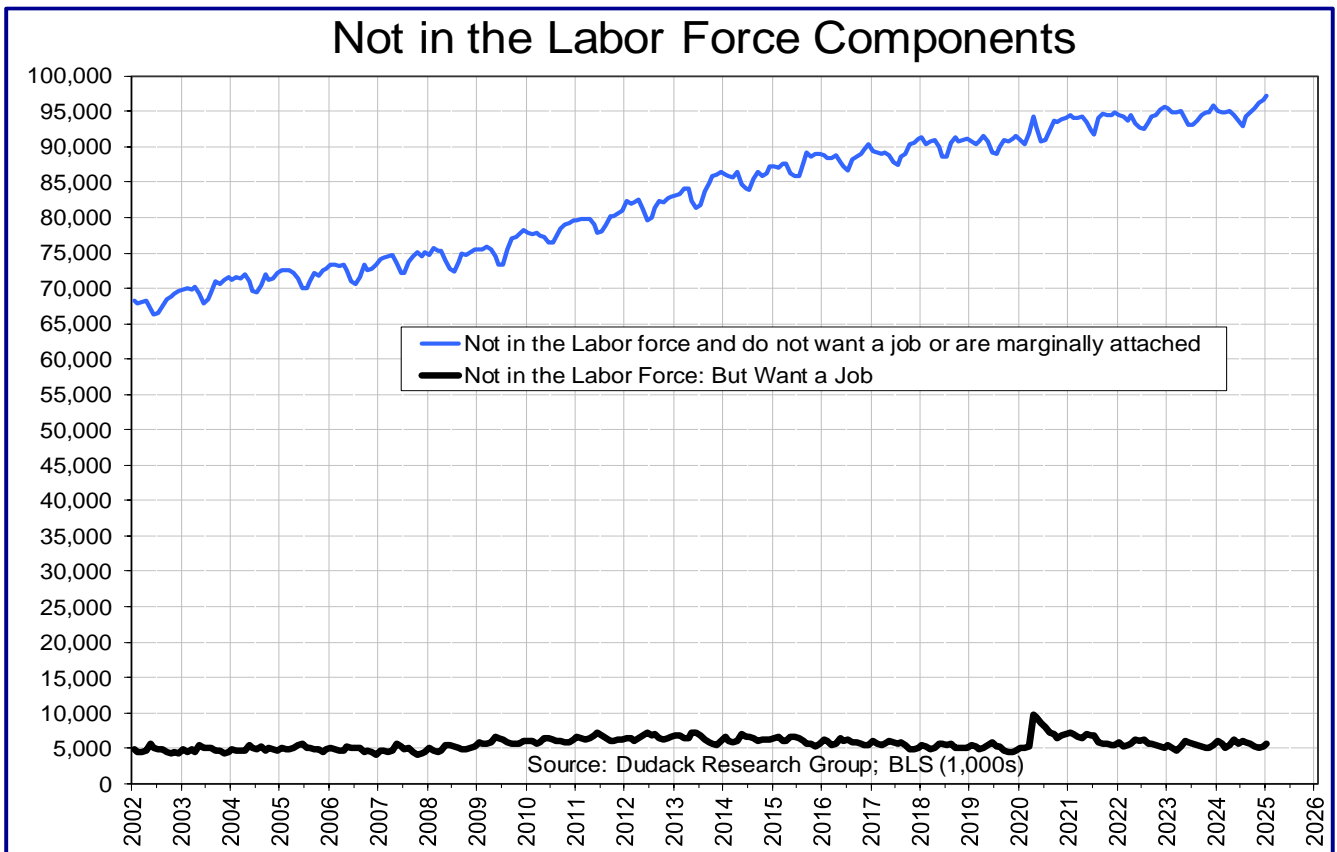
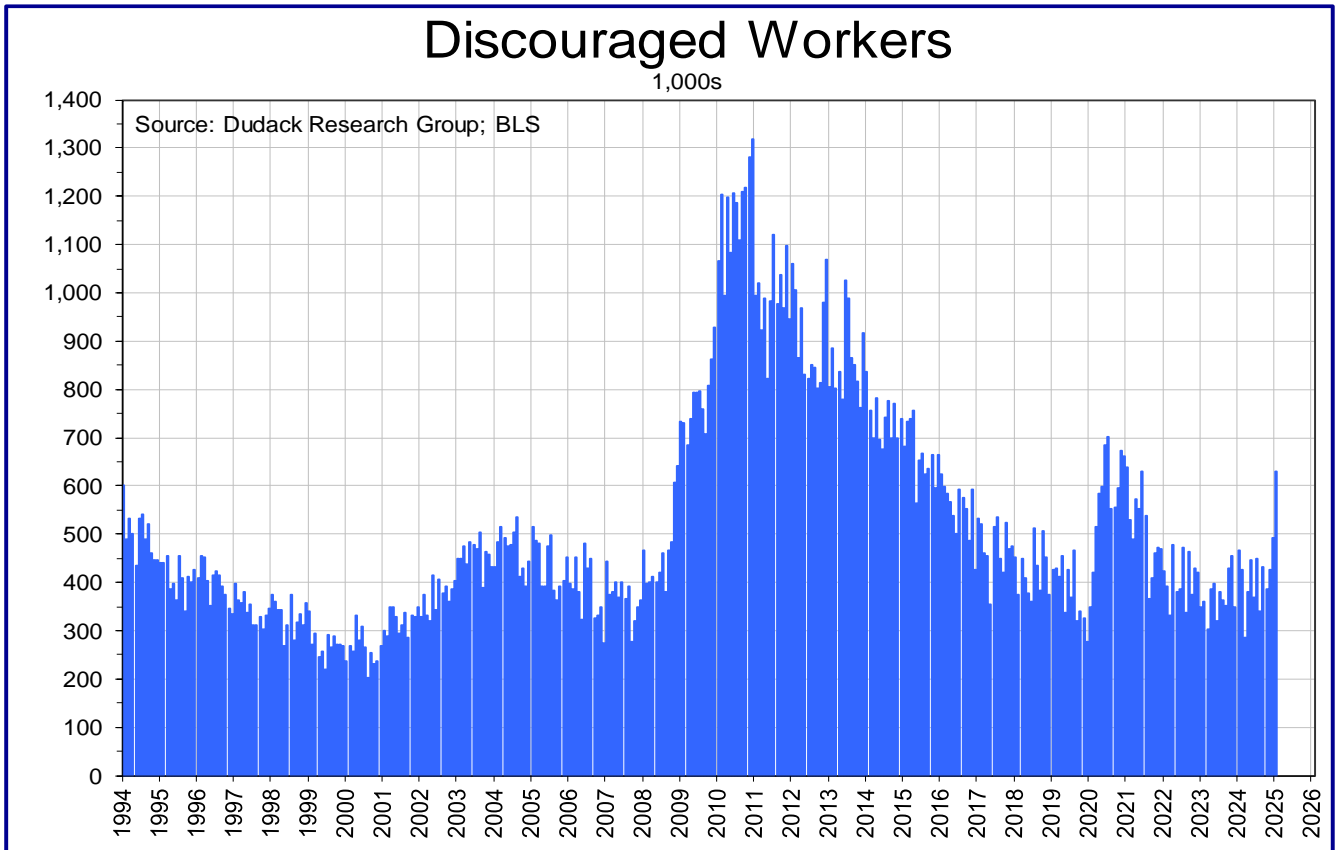
Some oddities in the report were seen in unemployment rates. The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate fell from 4.1% to 4.0%, but the unadjusted unemployment rate for those 16 and over rose from 3.7% in December to 4.2% in January. Unadjusted unemployment rates for men, women, and workers by level of education also rose. However, after seasonal adjustments the unemployment rate for those with less than a high school diploma fell from 5.6% to 5.2% and those with a bachelor's degree or higher fell from 2.4% to 2.3%. Other educational categories saw a rise in their unemployment rate despite seasonal adjustments.



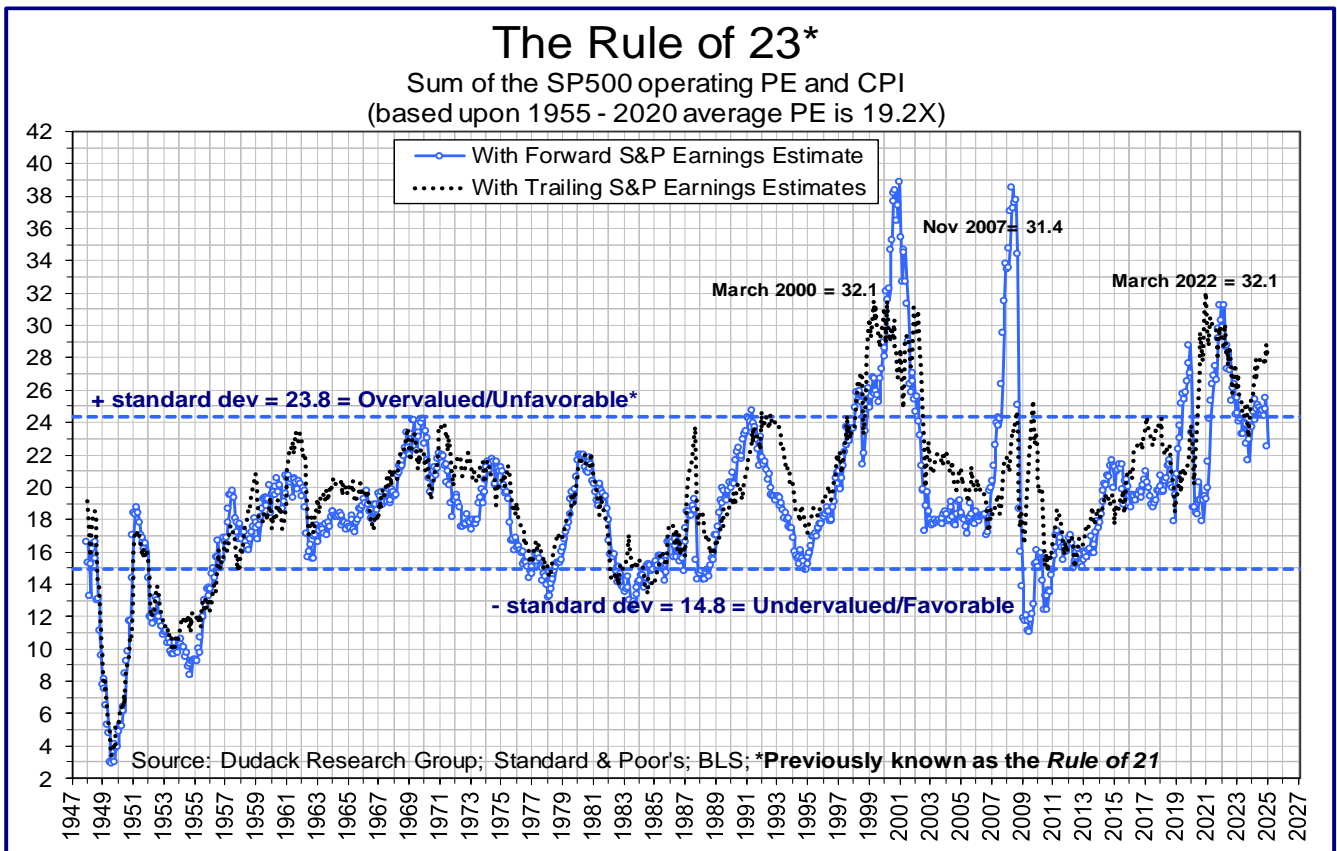
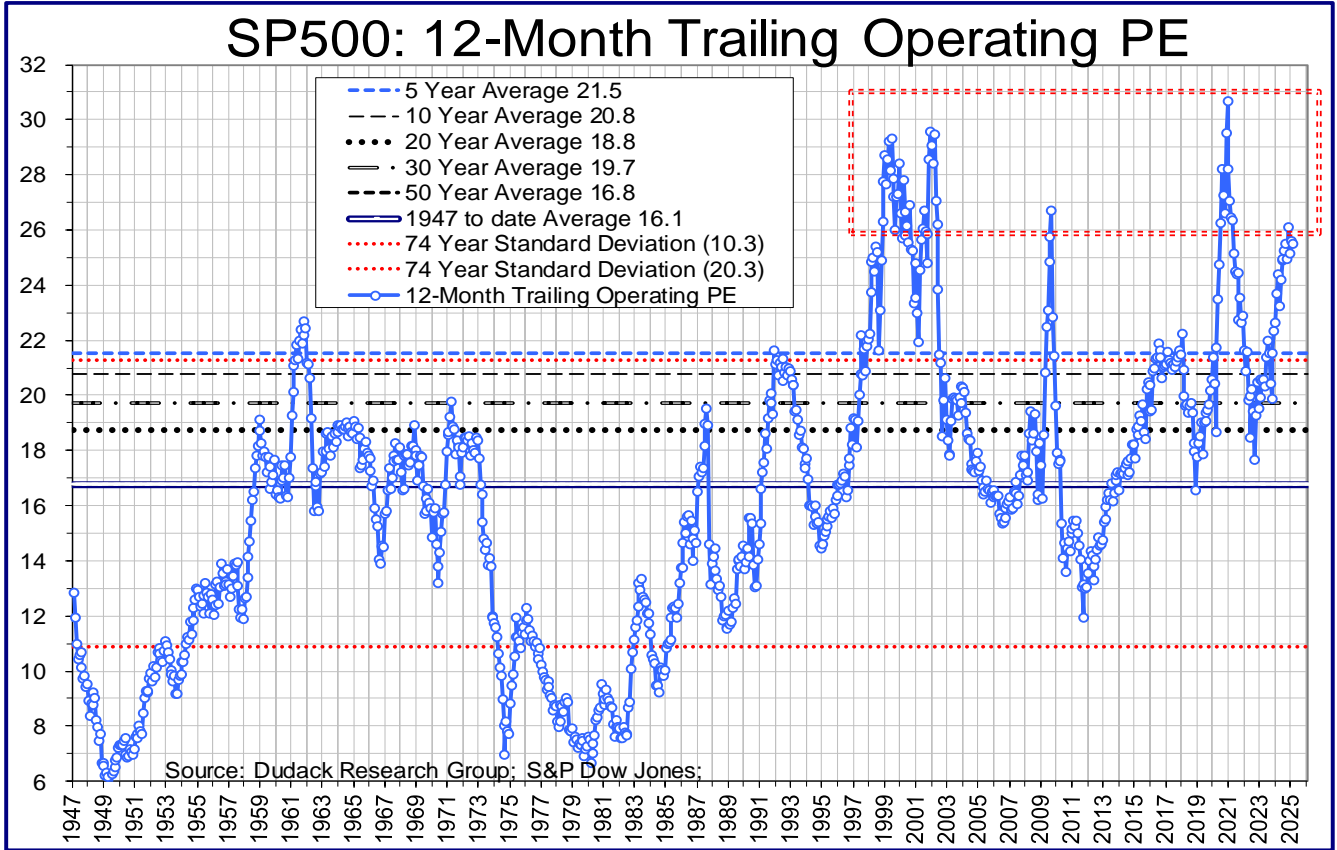
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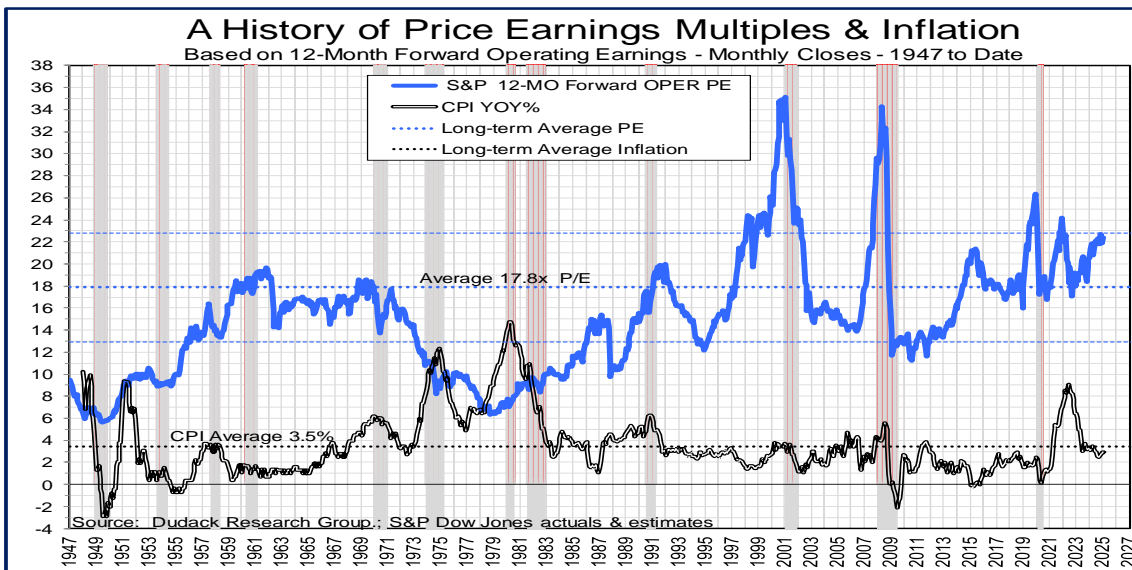
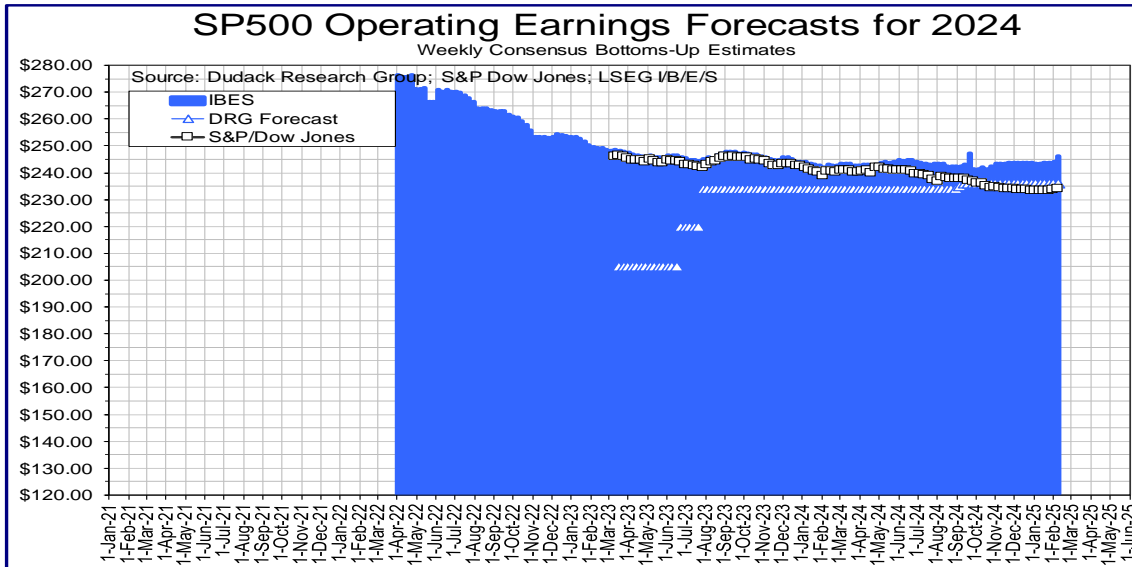
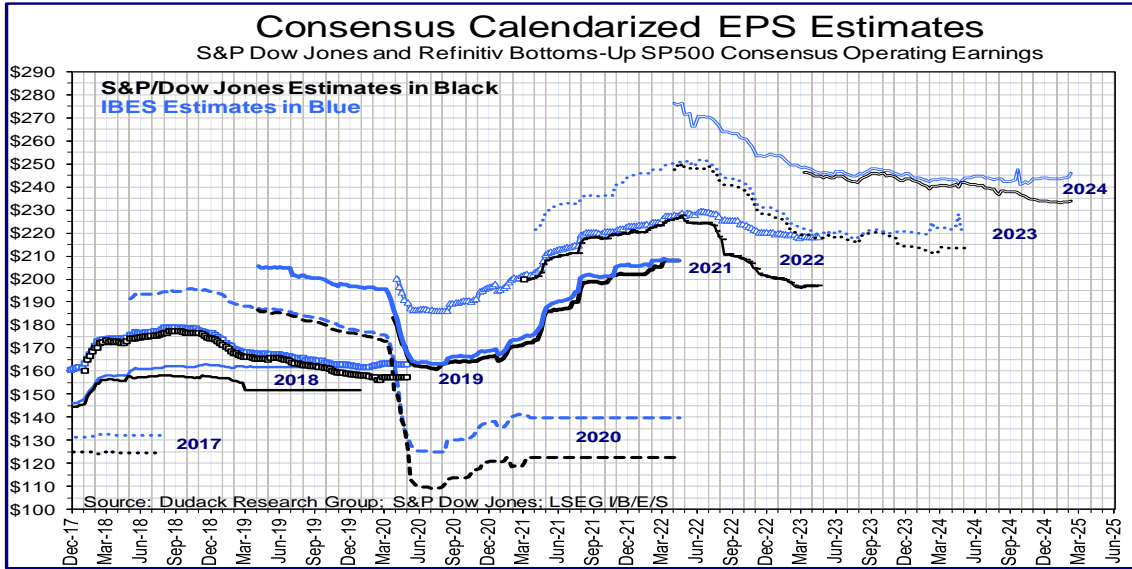
Before seasonal adjustments, discouraged workers rose to 630,000, the highest level since June 2021 and the pandemic era. A continuation of this trend would be worrisome. Our calculation of those not in the labor force and who do not want a job or are marginally attached, hit 97.2 million in January, an all-time record.



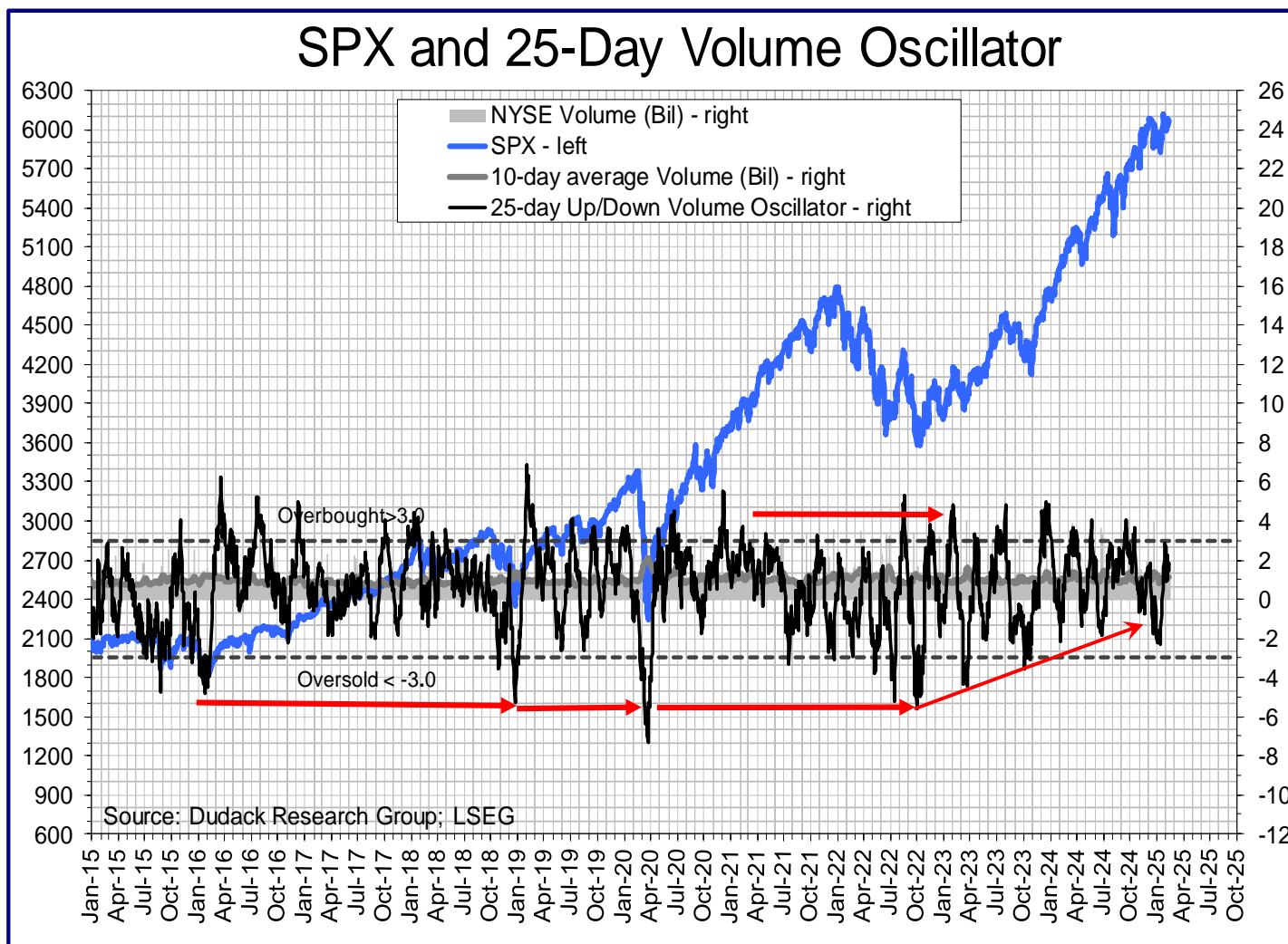
Valuation is not supportive of equities, but momentum, hope, and sentiment have been overruling valuation for two years. The SPX **trailing** 4-quarter operating multiple is 25.5 times, and well above all long- and short-term averages. And with new 2026 S&P Dow Jones estimates, the **12-month forward** PE multiple is 19.7 times and when added to inflation of 2.9%, it comes to 22.6, which is just at the top of the normal range of 14.8 to 23.8. By all measures, the equity market remains richly valued and has been at levels last seen during the 1997-2000 bubble, the financial crisis of 2008, or the post-COVID-19 earnings slump.



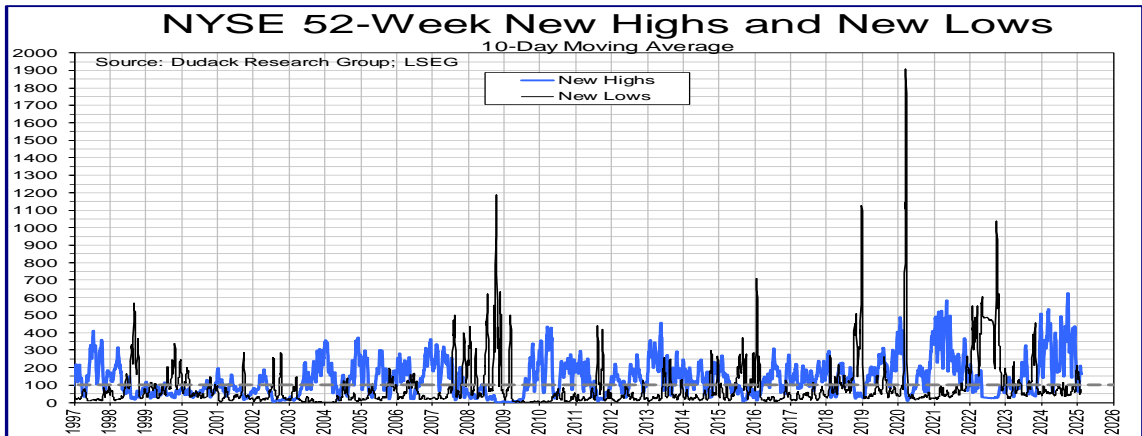
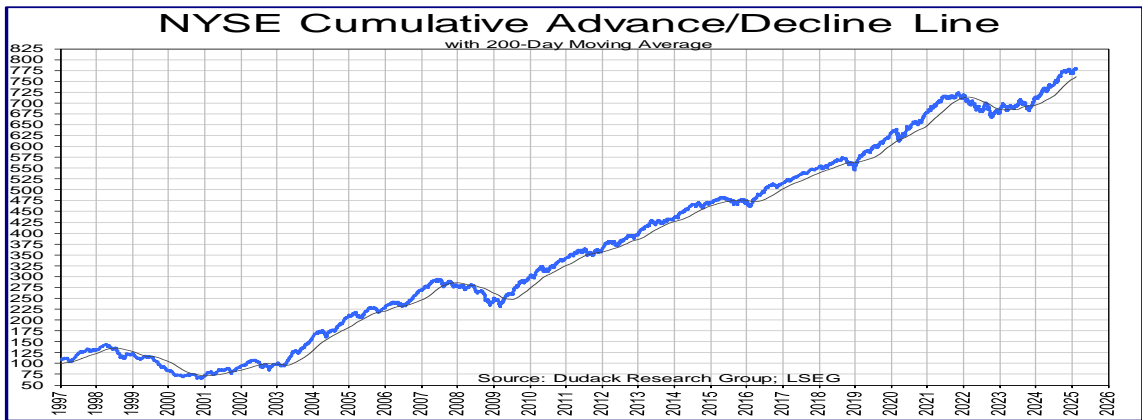
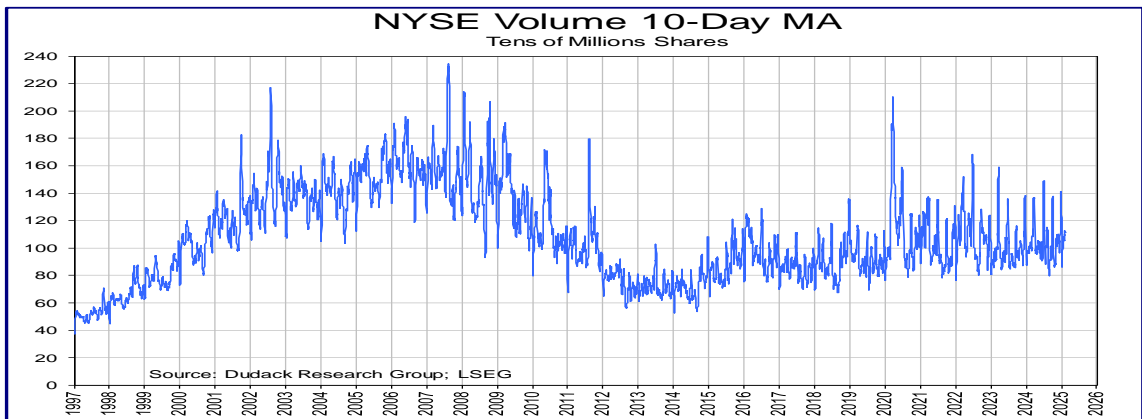
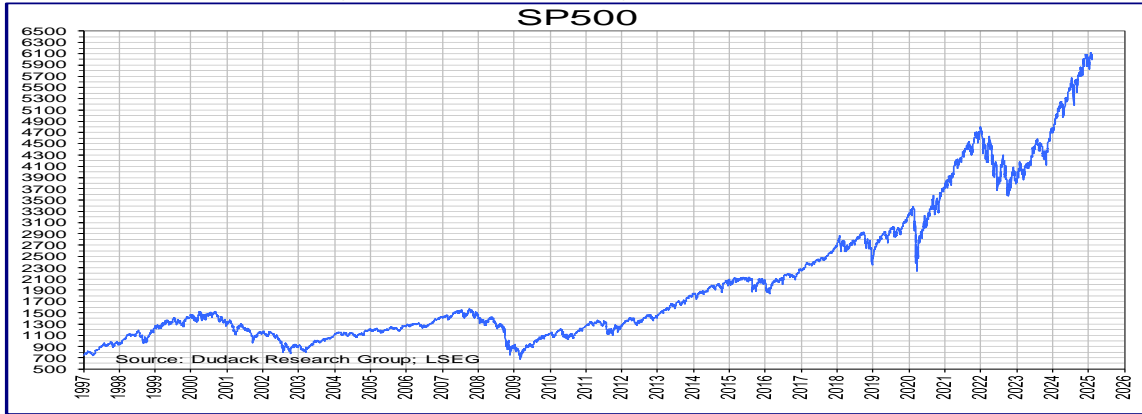
The S&P Dow Jones consensus estimate for calendar 2024 is \$233.87, up \$0.24 and the 2025 estimate is \$269.11, down \$1.16 this week. The LSEG IBES estimate for 2024 is \$246.05, up \$1.98 and the estimate for 2025 is \$271.71, down \$1.62. The IBES guesstimate for 2026 EPS is \$309.402, down \$1.32. The rally that began in December has been based on hopes for an improvement in the economy and earnings growth. However, since President Trump began implementing tariffs, 2025 and 2026 estimates have been falling.



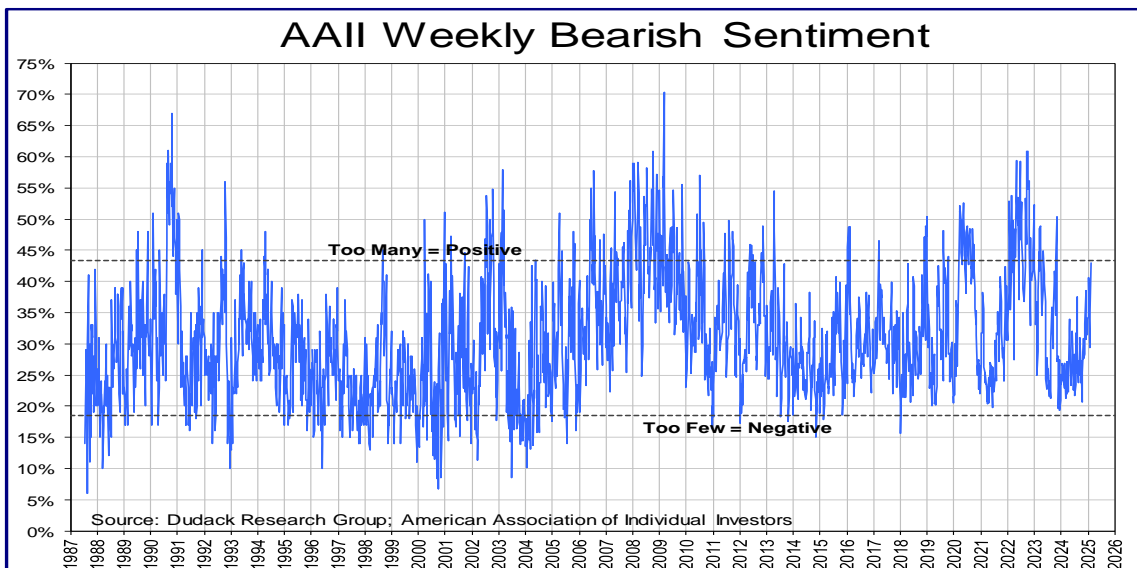
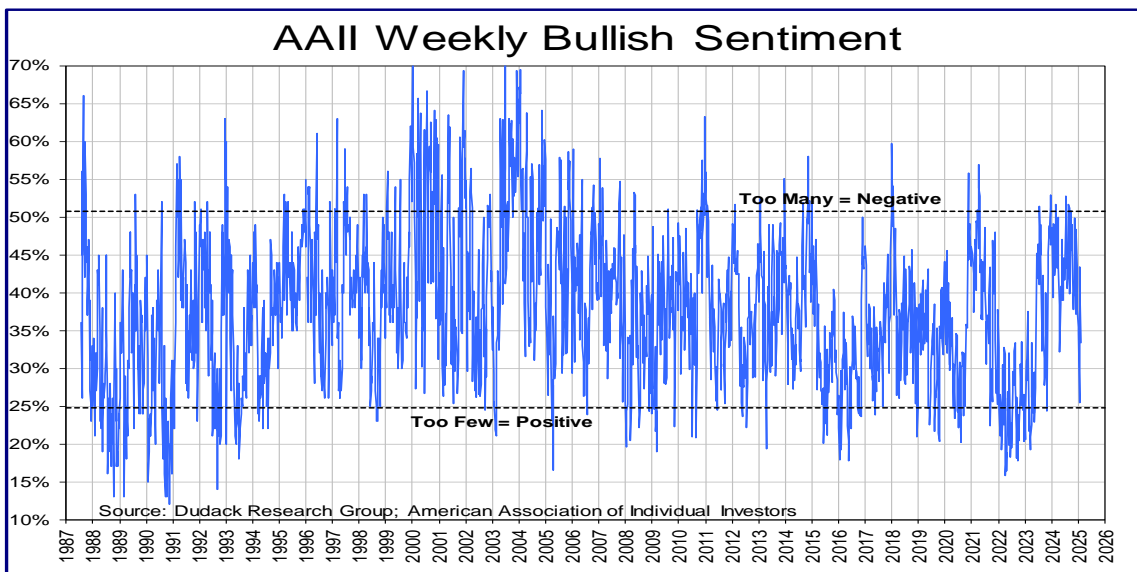
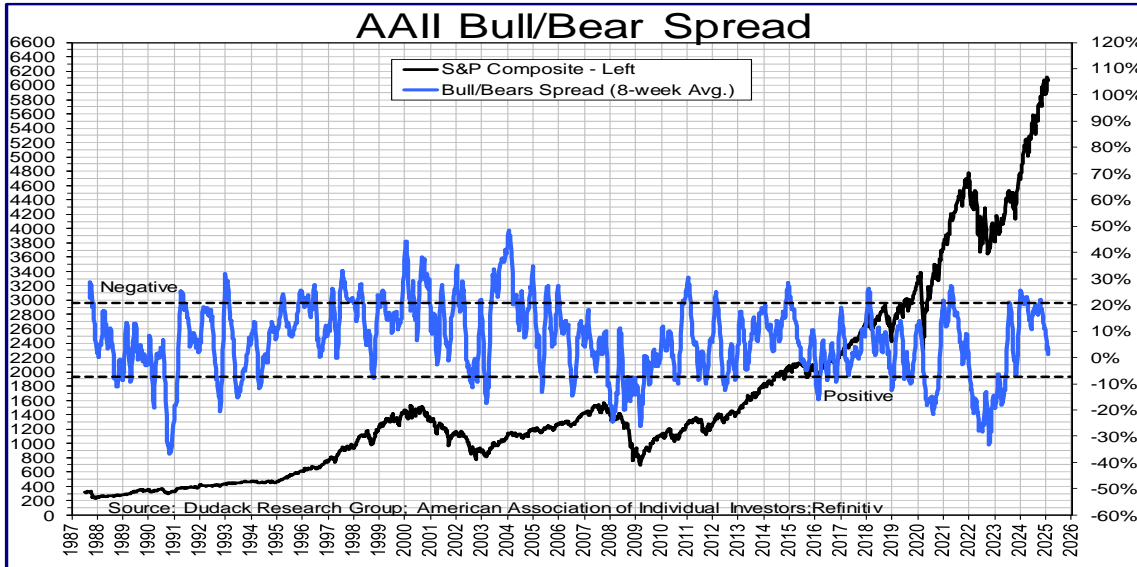
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Last week's AAI survey showed bullishness fell 7.7% to 33.3% and bearishness rose 8.9% to 42.9%. Bullishness is now below average, and bearishness is above average, which is a favorable combination for the equity market. Extreme sentiment readings -- a negative signal -- were seen on December 13, 2023, when bearishness was 19.6%, its lowest level since January 3, 2018's reading of 15.6%, and bullishness was 51.3%. The 8-week bull/bear is 4.9% and neutral. The last negative readings were recorded in mid-October 2024.



GLOBAL MARKETS AND COMMODITIES - RANKED BY LAST 5-DAY TRADING PERFORMANCE

| Index/EFT | Symbol | Price | 5-Day% | 20-Day% | QTD% | YTD% |
|--|--------|----------|--------|---------|-------|-------|
| iShares MSCI Brazil Capped ETF | EWZ | 25.79 | 1.3% | 13.7% | 14.6% | 14.6% |
| Silver Future | Slc1 | 32.23 | -2.0% | 3.7% | 11.4% | 11.4% |
| iShares MSCI Germany ETF | EWG | 35.40 | 2.9% | 10.5% | 11.3% | 11.3% |
| SPDR Gold Trust | GLD | 267.39 | 1.9% | 7.7% | 10.4% | 10.4% |
| iShares Silver Trust | SLV | 30.40 | -0.8% | 5.2% | 10.3% | 10.3% |
| iShares China Large Cap ETF | FXI | 33.34 | 2.7% | 16.4% | 9.5% | 9.5% |
| iShares MSCI Mexico Capped ETF | EWX | 51.28 | 2.3% | 8.8% | 9.5% | 9.5% |
| iShares MSCI South Korea Capped ETF | EWY | 55.07 | 1.3% | 2.9% | 8.2% | 8.2% |
| iShares MSCI Austria Capped ETF | EWO | 22.64 | 3.9% | 8.8% | 8.0% | 8.0% |
| iShares MSCI United Kingdom ETF | EWU | 36.46 | 2.6% | 8.9% | 7.6% | 7.6% |
| iShares DJ US Oil Eqpt & Services ETF | IEZ | 21.21 | 0.5% | 4.0% | 7.0% | 7.0% |
| SPDR S&P Bank ETF | KBE | 59.35 | 1.1% | 10.8% | 7.0% | 7.0% |
| Communication Services Select Sector SPDR Fund | XLC | 103.37 | -0.1% | 7.9% | 6.8% | 6.8% |
| Financial Select Sector SPDR | XLF | 51.54 | 0.8% | 8.9% | 6.6% | 6.6% |
| Energy Select Sector SPDR | XLE | 91.24 | 1.3% | 3.2% | 6.5% | 6.5% |
| iShares MSCI EAFE ETF | EFA | 80.53 | 1.7% | 7.3% | 6.5% | 6.5% |
| Health Care Select Sect SPDR | XLV | 146.03 | -0.7% | 4.6% | 6.1% | 6.1% |
| Materials Select Sector SPDR | XLB | 89.26 | 0.1% | 7.2% | 6.1% | 6.1% |
| iShares MSCI Singapore ETF | EWS | 23.11 | 1.7% | 6.6% | 5.8% | 5.8% |
| Industrial Select Sector SPDR | XLI | 138.61 | 1.2% | 5.5% | 5.2% | 5.2% |
| Vanguard FTSE All-World ex-US ETF | VEU | 60.36 | 1.4% | 6.5% | 5.1% | 5.1% |
| iShares MSCI Australia ETF | EWA | 25.04 | 1.0% | 5.2% | 4.9% | 4.9% |
| Utilities Select Sector SPDR | XLU | 79.39 | 2.3% | 5.0% | 4.9% | 4.9% |
| iShares Russell 1000 Value ETF | IWD | 194.11 | 0.5% | 5.7% | 4.9% | 4.9% |
| SPDR DJIA ETF | DIA | 446.11 | 0.1% | 6.4% | 4.8% | 4.8% |
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| iShares MSCI BRIC ETF | BKF | 38.12 | 1.3% | 9.0% | 4.5% | 4.5% |
| iShares MSCI Canada ETF | EWC | 42.07 | 1.8% | 5.1% | 4.4% | 4.4% |
| iShares MSCI Emerg Mkts ETF | EEM | 43.55 | 0.9% | 6.0% | 4.1% | 4.1% |
| iShares US Telecomm ETF | IYZ | 27.91 | 1.0% | 5.2% | 4.0% | 4.0% |
| iShares US Real Estate ETF | IYR | 96.47 | 1.9% | 7.8% | 3.7% | 3.7% |
| United States Oil Fund, LP | USO | 78.27 | 1.0% | -2.9% | 3.6% | 3.6% |
| iShares Russell 1000 ETF | IWB | 333.59 | 0.5% | 4.4% | 3.5% | 3.5% |
| PowerShares Water Resources Portfolio | PHO | 68.09 | 0.9% | 5.5% | 3.5% | 3.5% |
| NASDAQ 100 | NDX | 21693.52 | 0.6% | 4.1% | 3.2% | 3.2% |
| SP500 | .SPX | 6068.50 | 0.5% | 4.1% | 3.2% | 3.2% |
| Consumer Staples Select Sector SPDR | XLP | 80.61 | 2.5% | 5.6% | 2.5% | 2.5% |
| iShares MSCI Japan ETF | EWJ | 68.74 | 0.7% | 5.4% | 2.4% | 2.4% |
| iShares Russell 1000 Growth ETF | IWF | 411.05 | 0.2% | 3.2% | 2.4% | 2.4% |
| iShares Russell 2000 Value ETF | IWN | 167.92 | 0.3% | 5.0% | 2.3% | 2.3% |
| Oil Future | CLc1 | 73.32 | 0.9% | -4.2% | 2.2% | 2.2% |
| iShares Russell 2000 ETF | IWM | 225.70 | -0.5% | 4.1% | 2.1% | 2.1% |
| iShares Russell 2000 Growth ETF | IWO | 293.74 | -1.3% | 3.1% | 2.1% | 2.1% |
| SPDR Homebuilders ETF | XHB | 106.45 | -0.1% | 4.0% | 1.9% | 1.9% |
| Nasdaq Composite Index Tracking Stock | ONEQ.O | 77.35 | -0.1% | 2.5% | 1.7% | 1.7% |
| Technology Select Sector SPDR | XLK | 236.33 | 2.3% | 3.3% | 1.6% | 1.6% |
| iShares Nasdaq Biotechnology ETF | IBB.O | 134.24 | -3.3% | 1.1% | 1.5% | 1.5% |
| iShares MSCI Taiwan ETF | EWT | 52.52 | 1.5% | 2.7% | 1.5% | 1.5% |
| iShares 20+ Year Treas Bond ETF | TLT | 88.43 | 0.0% | 3.5% | 1.3% | 1.3% |
| Gold Future | GCc1 | 3014.10 | 0.2% | 0.7% | 1.0% | 1.0% |
| iShares iBoxx \$ Invest Grade Corp Bond | LQD | 107.32 | -0.1% | 1.8% | 0.4% | 0.4% |
| Consumer Discretionary Select Sector SPDR | XLY | 223.78 | -3.5% | 1.3% | -0.3% | -0.3% |
| SPDR S&P Retail ETF | XRT | 78.87 | -1.1% | -0.2% | -0.9% | -0.9% |
| Shanghai Composite | .SSEC | 3318.06 | 2.1% | 4.7% | -1.0% | -1.0% |
| iShares MSCI Malaysia ETF | EWM | 23.98 | 1.1% | 1.4% | -2.2% | -2.2% |
| iShares MSCI Hong Kong ETF | EWH | 16.18 | -1.7% | 2.2% | -2.9% | -2.9% |
| SPDR S&P Semiconductor ETF | XSD | 237.75 | -4.1% | -4.9% | -4.3% | -4.3% |
| iShares MSCI India ETF | INDA.K | 50.14 | -2.5% | -2.1% | -4.7% | -4.7% |

Outperformed SP500

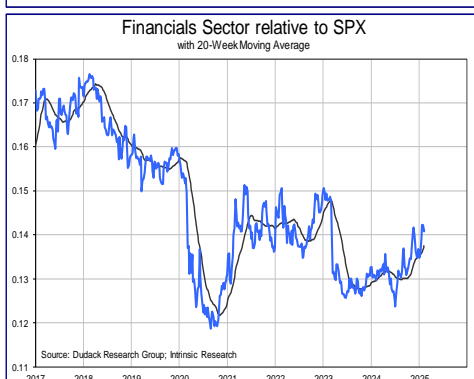
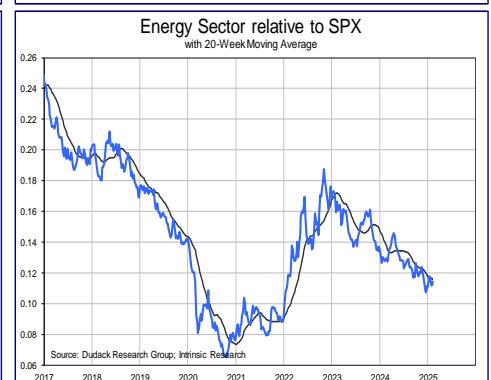
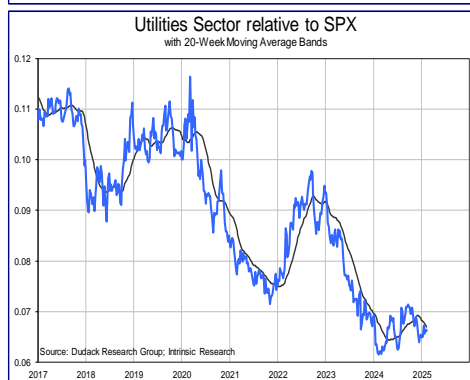
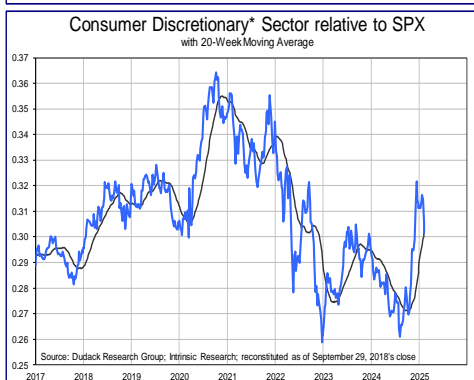
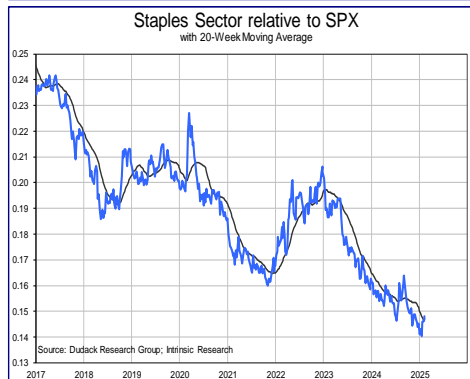
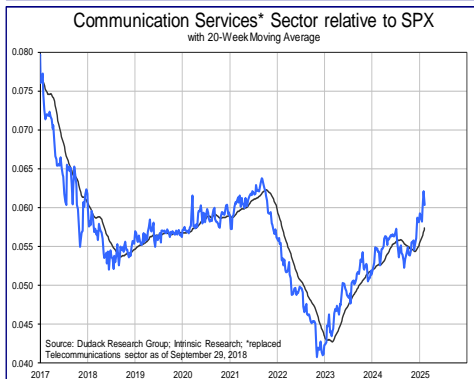
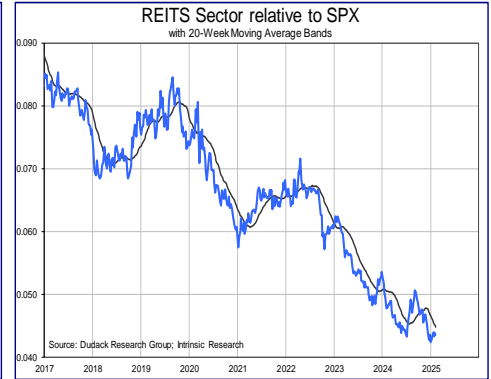
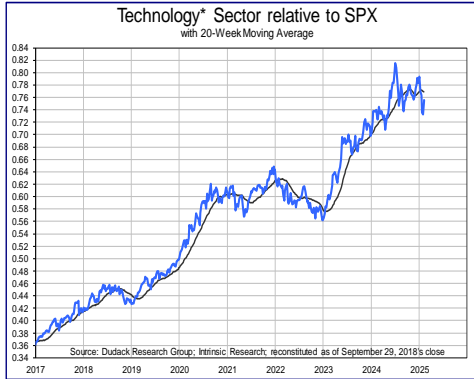
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SECTOR RELATIVE PERFORMANCE – RELATIVE OVER/UNDER/ PERFORMANCE TO S&P 500

DRG Recommended Sector Weights

| | | | | |
|--|--|---|--|------------------------------|
| Overweight | | Neutral | | Underweight |
| Communication Services Technology Consumer Discretionary Financials | | Healthcare Staples Utilities Industrials | | REITS Materials Energy |

11/19/2024: Upgraded Consumer Discretionary from N to O; Downgraded Healthcare from O to N. 9/10/2024: Upgraded Utilities from U to N; Downgraded Energy from N to U.



| 2025 Performance - Ranked | |
|-----------------------------|----------|
| SP500 Sector | % Change |
| S&P COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES | 7.1% |
| S&P FINANCIAL | 6.5% |
| S&P MATERIALS | 6.0% |
| S&P ENERGY | 6.0% |
| S&P HEALTH CARE | 6.0% |
| S&P CONSUMER STAPLES | 5.2% |
| S&P INDUSTRIALS | 5.1% |
| S&P UTILITIES | 4.7% |
| S&P REITS | 3.8% |
| S&P 500 | 3.2% |
| S&P CONSUMER DISCRETIONARY | -0.1% |
| S&P INFORMATION TECH | -0.5% |

Source: Dudack Research Group; Refinitiv; Monday closes

US Asset Allocation

| | Benchmark | DRG % | Recommendation |
|----------------|-----------|-------|----------------|
| Equities | 60% | 60% | Neutral |
| Treasury Bonds | 30% | 30% | Neutral |
| Cash | 10% | 10% | Neutral |
| | 100% | 100% | |

Source: Dudack Research Group; 11/26/2024: moved 5% cash to equities

DRG Earnings and Economic Forecasts

| | S&P 500 Price | S&P Dow Jones Reported EPS** | S&P Dow Jones Operating EPS** | DRG Operating EPS Forecast | DRG EPS YOY % | LSEG IBES Consensus Bottom-Up \$ EPS** | LSEG IBES Consensus Bottom-Up EPS YOY% | S&P Op PE Ratio | S&P Divd Yield | GDP Annual Rate | GDP Profits post-tax w/ IVA & CC | YOY % |
|-----------|---------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------|--|--|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|----------------------------------|--------|
| 2008 | 903.25 | \$14.88 | \$49.51 | \$49.51 | -40.0% | \$65.47 | -23.1% | 18.2X | 2.5% | 0.1% | \$1,029.90 | -9.8% |
| 2009 | 1115.10 | \$50.97 | \$56.86 | \$56.86 | 14.8% | \$60.80 | -7.1% | 19.6X | 2.6% | -2.6% | \$1,182.90 | 14.9% |
| 2010 | 1257.64 | \$77.35 | \$83.77 | \$83.77 | 47.3% | \$85.28 | 40.3% | 15.0X | 1.9% | 2.7% | \$1,456.50 | 23.1% |
| 2011 | 1257.60 | \$86.95 | \$96.44 | \$96.44 | 15.1% | \$97.82 | 14.7% | 13.0X | 2.0% | 1.6% | \$1,529.00 | 5.0% |
| 2012 | 1426.19 | \$86.51 | \$96.82 | \$96.82 | 0.4% | \$103.80 | 6.1% | 14.7X | 2.1% | 2.3% | \$1,662.80 | 8.8% |
| 2013 | 1848.36 | \$100.20 | \$107.30 | \$107.30 | 10.8% | \$109.68 | 5.7% | 17.2X | 2.0% | 2.1% | \$1,648.10 | -0.9% |
| 2014 | 2127.83 | \$102.31 | \$113.02 | \$113.01 | 5.3% | \$118.78 | 8.3% | 18.8X | 2.2% | 2.5% | \$1,713.10 | 3.9% |
| 2015 | 2043.94 | \$86.53 | \$100.45 | \$100.45 | -11.1% | \$117.46 | -1.1% | 20.3X | 2.1% | 2.9% | \$1,664.20 | -2.9% |
| 2016 | 2238.83 | \$94.55 | \$106.26 | \$106.26 | 5.8% | \$118.10 | 0.5% | 21.1X | 1.9% | 1.8% | \$1,661.50 | -0.2% |
| 2017 | 2673.61 | \$109.88 | \$124.51 | \$124.51 | 17.2% | \$132.00 | 11.8% | 21.5X | 1.8% | 2.5% | \$1,816.60 | 9.3% |
| 2018 | 2506.85 | \$132.39 | \$151.60 | \$151.60 | 21.8% | \$161.93 | 22.7% | 16.5X | 1.9% | 3.0% | \$2,023.40 | 11.4% |
| 2019 | 3230.78 | \$94.55 | \$157.12 | \$157.12 | 3.6% | \$162.93 | 0.6% | 20.6X | 1.8% | 2.5% | \$2,065.60 | 2.1% |
| 2020 | 3756.07 | \$109.88 | \$122.38 | \$122.38 | -22.1% | \$139.72 | -14.2% | 30.7X | 1.6% | -2.2% | \$1,968.10 | -4.7% |
| 2021 | 4766.18 | \$132.39 | \$208.17 | \$208.17 | 70.1% | \$208.12 | 49.0% | 22.9X | 1.3% | 5.8% | \$2,382.80 | 21.1% |
| 2022 | 3839.50 | \$139.47 | \$196.95 | \$196.95 | -5.4% | \$218.09 | 4.8% | 19.5X | 1.7% | 1.9% | \$2,478.80 | 4.0% |
| 2023 | 4769.83 | \$94.14 | \$213.53 | \$213.53 | 8.4% | \$221.36 | 1.5% | 22.3X | 1.5% | 2.5% | \$3,101.80 | 4.0% |
| 2024P | 5881.63 | \$197.87 | \$233.88 | \$233.42 | 9.3% | \$246.05 | 11.2% | 25.1X | 1.4% | 2.5% | NA | NA |
| 2025E | ~~~~~ | \$172.75 | \$269.11 | \$270.00 | 15.7% | \$271.71 | 10.4% | 22.6X | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| 2026E | ~~~~~ | \$192.43 | NA | \$310.50 | 15.0% | \$309.40 | 13.9% | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| 2018 1Q | 2640.87 | \$33.02 | \$36.54 | \$36.54 | 26.8% | \$38.07 | 23.2% | 20.0 | 1.9% | 3.3% | \$2,028.40 | 6.1% |
| 2018 2Q | 2718.37 | \$34.05 | \$38.65 | \$38.65 | 26.7% | \$41.00 | 25.8% | 19.4 | 1.9% | 2.1% | \$2,071.00 | 9.2% |
| 2018 3Q | 2913.98 | \$36.36 | \$41.38 | \$41.38 | 32.1% | \$42.66 | 27.5% | 19.4 | 1.8% | 2.5% | \$2,072.00 | 7.5% |
| 2018 4Q | 2506.85 | \$28.96 | \$35.03 | \$35.03 | 3.5% | \$41.18 | 14.3% | 16.5 | 2.1% | 0.6% | \$2,099.60 | 6.2% |
| 2019 1Q | 2834.40 | \$35.02 | \$37.99 | \$37.99 | 4.0% | \$39.15 | 2.8% | 18.5 | 1.9% | 2.5% | \$2,124.50 | 4.7% |
| 2019 2Q | 2941.76 | \$34.93 | \$40.14 | \$40.14 | 3.9% | \$41.31 | 0.8% | 19.0 | 1.9% | 3.4% | \$2,147.20 | 3.7% |
| 2019 3Q | 2976.74 | \$33.99 | \$39.81 | \$39.81 | -3.8% | \$42.14 | -1.2% | 19.5 | 1.9% | 4.8% | \$2,220.30 | 7.2% |
| 2019 4Q | 3230.78 | \$35.53 | \$39.18 | \$39.18 | 11.8% | \$41.98 | 1.9% | 20.6 | 1.8% | 2.8% | \$2,199.60 | 4.8% |
| 2020 1Q | 2584.59 | \$11.88 | \$19.50 | \$19.50 | -48.7% | \$33.13 | -15.4% | 18.6 | 2.3% | -5.5% | \$1,993.80 | -6.2% |
| 2020 2Q | 4397.35 | \$17.83 | \$26.79 | \$26.79 | -33.3% | \$27.98 | -32.3% | 35.1 | 1.9% | -28.1% | \$1,785.00 | -16.9% |
| 2020 3Q | 3363.00 | \$32.98 | \$37.90 | \$37.90 | -4.8% | \$38.69 | -8.2% | 27.3 | 1.7% | 35.2% | \$2,386.80 | 7.5% |
| 2020 4Q | 3756.07 | \$31.45 | \$38.19 | \$38.19 | -2.5% | \$42.58 | 1.4% | 30.7 | 1.6% | 4.4% | \$2,137.60 | -2.8% |
| 2021 1Q | 3972.89 | \$45.95 | \$47.41 | \$47.41 | 143.1% | \$49.13 | 48.3% | 26.4 | 1.5% | 5.6% | \$2,401.00 | 20.4% |
| 2021 2Q | 4297.50 | \$48.39 | \$52.03 | \$52.03 | 94.2% | \$52.58 | 87.9% | 24.5 | 1.3% | 6.4% | \$2,596.30 | 45.5% |
| 2021 3Q | 4307.54 | \$49.59 | \$52.02 | \$52.02 | 37.3% | \$53.72 | 38.8% | 22.7 | 1.4% | 3.5% | \$2,553.30 | 7.0% |
| 2021 4Q | 4766.18 | \$53.94 | \$56.71 | \$56.71 | 48.5% | \$53.95 | 26.7% | 22.9 | 1.3% | 7.4% | \$2,521.90 | 18.0% |
| 2022 1Q | 4530.41 | \$45.99 | \$49.36 | \$49.36 | 4.1% | \$54.80 | 11.5% | 21.6 | 1.4% | -1.0% | \$2,497.90 | 4.0% |
| 2022 2Q | 3785.38 | \$42.74 | \$46.87 | \$46.87 | -9.9% | \$57.62 | 9.6% | 18.5 | 1.7% | 0.3% | \$2,712.60 | 4.5% |
| 2022 3Q | 3585.62 | \$44.41 | \$50.35 | \$50.35 | -3.2% | \$56.02 | 4.3% | 17.6 | 1.8% | 2.7% | \$2,754.60 | 7.9% |
| 2022 4Q | 3839.50 | \$39.61 | \$50.37 | \$50.37 | -11.2% | \$53.15 | -1.5% | 19.5 | 1.7% | 3.4% | \$2,700.10 | 7.1% |
| 2023 1Q | 4109.31 | \$48.41 | \$52.54 | \$52.54 | 6.4% | \$53.08 | -3.1% | 20.5 | 1.7% | 2.8% | \$2,588.60 | 3.6% |
| 2023 2Q | 4450.38 | \$48.58 | \$54.84 | \$54.84 | 17.0% | \$54.29 | -5.8% | 21.4 | 1.5% | 2.4% | \$2,601.80 | -4.1% |
| 2023 3Q | 4288.05 | \$47.65 | \$52.25 | \$52.25 | 3.8% | \$58.41 | 4.3% | 20.4 | 1.6% | 4.4% | \$2,697.90 | -2.1% |
| 2023 4Q | 4769.83 | \$47.79 | \$53.90 | \$53.90 | 7.0% | \$57.16 | 7.5% | 22.3 | 1.5% | 3.2% | \$2,803.20 | 3.8% |
| 2024 1Q | 5254.35 | \$47.37 | \$54.63 | \$54.63 | 4.0% | \$56.56 | 6.6% | 24.4 | 1.3% | 1.6% | \$2,726.80 | 5.3% |
| 2024 2Q | 5521.50 | \$53.12 | \$58.36 | \$58.36 | 6.4% | \$60.40 | 11.3% | 25.2 | 1.3% | 3.0% | \$3,141.60 | 20.7% |
| 2024 3Q | 5521.50 | \$53.75 | \$59.17 | \$59.17 | 13.2% | \$63.21 | 8.2% | 24.4 | 1.3% | 2.8% | \$3,128.50 | 16.0% |
| 2024 4QE | 5881.63 | \$56.65 | \$61.72 | \$61.26 | 13.7% | \$64.71 | 13.2% | 25.1 | 1.3% | NA | NA | NA |
| 2025 1QE* | 6068.50 | \$57.23 | \$60.70 | \$63.75 | 16.7% | \$61.28 | 8.3% | 25.3 | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| 2025 2QE | NA | \$60.96 | \$65.79 | \$65.25 | 11.8% | \$66.33 | 9.8% | 24.5 | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| 2025 3QE | NA | \$65.43 | \$70.23 | \$68.00 | 14.9% | \$70.75 | 11.9% | 23.5 | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| 2025 4QE* | NA | \$67.70 | \$72.39 | \$73.00 | 19.2% | \$72.87 | 12.6% | 22.6 | NA | NA | NA | NA |

Source: DRG; S&P Dow Jones **quarterly EPS may not sum to official CY estimates; LSEG IBES Consensus estimates *2/11/2025

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