# HIGH FREQUENCY DATA TRACKER





Indicator	Date (2023)	Level	2019 Level	% Change 2019	% Change MOM	% Change WOW
Initial Jobless Claims	August 25	228,000	231,000	-1.3%	0.4%	-1.7%
Continuing Jobless Claims	August 18	1,725,000	1,654,000	4.3%	2.0%	1.6%
ASA Staffing Index <sup>1</sup>	August 21	101.0	95.4	5.8%	-0.3%	-0.9%
Weekly Retail Sales <sup>2</sup>	August 26	4.3%	5.7%	N/A	N/A	N/A
Box Office Receipts	August 25-31	\$117,222,966	\$142,189,067	-17.6%	-65.9%	-9.2%
Rail Car Traffic (cars)	August 25	472,525	532,511	-11.3%	-2.3%	-1.3%
Steel Production (net tons)	August 28	1,733	1,877	-7.7%	-0.9%	-1.3%
Hotel Occupancy	August 20-26	65.0%	70.0%	-7.2%	-10.0%	-3.0%
TSA Checkpoint Data <sup>3</sup>	August 31	2,275,489	2,220,621	2.5%	-12.3%	-4.1%
Supply of Motor Gasoline in the US (Mbbl/d)	August 25	9,068	9,900	-8.4%	2.6%	1.8%
Global Commercial Flights <sup>3</sup>	August 31	130,583	123,840	5.4%	-1.3%	-0.8%

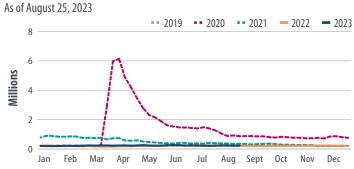
#### Indicates level is at a new post-pandemic best

Source: First Trust Advisors, Bloomberg, Department of Labor, Redbook Research, Box Office Mojo, Association of American Railroads, American Iron and Steel Institute, Hotel News Now, Transportation Security Administration, Energy Information Administration, American Staffing Association, Flight Radar 24

2019 Level and % Change 2019 are from the same week in 2019, unless otherwise noted. MOM = Month-over-Month; WOW = Week-over-Week.

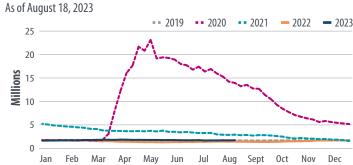
All data is for the U.S. except for commercial flights.

### **INITIAL JOBLESS CLAIMS**



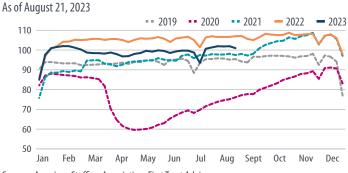
Sources: Bloomberg, Department of Labor, First Trust Advisors

## CONTINUING JOBLESS CLAIMS



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### **ASA STAFFING INDEX**



Sources: American Staffing Association, First Trust Advisors

#### **WEEKLY RETAIL SALES**



Sources: Bloomberg, Redbook Research, First Trust Advisors

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The baseline value for the ASA Staffing Index was set at 100 in June 2006.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Data for level and 2019 level are both Year-over-Year (YOY)% changes.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Data is provided daily instead of weekly; the 7-day moving average is shown.

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#### **BOX OFFICE RECEIPTS**

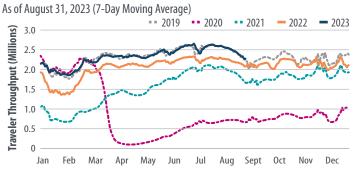


## STEEL PRODUCTION (NET TONS)



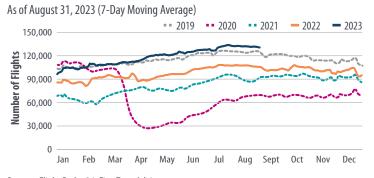
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#### TSA CHECKPOINT DATA



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#### GLOBAL COMMERCIAL FLIGHTS



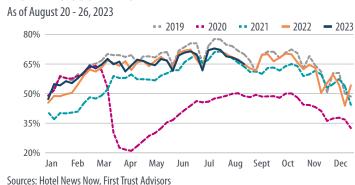
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## RAIL CAR TRAFFIC (CARS)

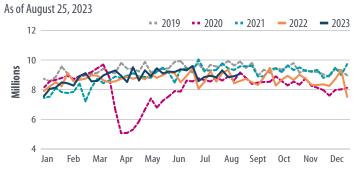


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#### HOTEL OCCUPANCY



## SUPPLY OF MOTOR GASOLINE IN THE U.S. (MBBL/D)



Sources: Bloomberg, First Trust Advisors