Market Snapshot January 31, 2023

# **Economic Overview**

- US GDP growth remained strong with an annualized growth rate of 2.9% in Q4 and 2.1% overall increase for calendar year 2022
- ullet Data supported a deceleration in Fed tightening, with headline CPI declining to 6.5% in December and wage growth declining to 4.6%
- Global growth remains under pressure, but China's reopening and a mild European winter helped those regions exceed Q4 GDP expectations

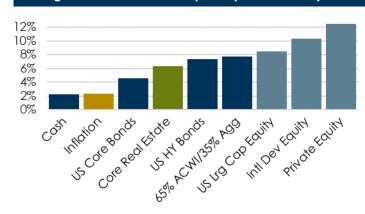
#### **Market Returns**

- GDP growth, lower inflation helped equity markets rally
- Bond indices performed well amid strong investor demand



## Average Annual Return Assumptions (Next 10 Years)

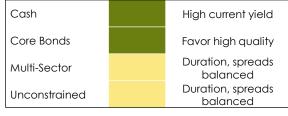
Source: Bloomberg, ACG Research (as of 1/31/2023)



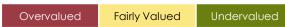
### Asset Class Valuations - Rebalancing Rationale

- Equity valuations improved as prices fell in 2022
- Favor investment grade credit over high yield
- Cash yields remain attractive

Asset Class	Current Valuation	Rationale
US Large Cap		Balanced upside/downside risks
US Small Cap		Balanced upside/downside risks
Intl Developed		Favorable valuations, currency tailwinds
Emerging Mkt		Balanced upside/downside risks







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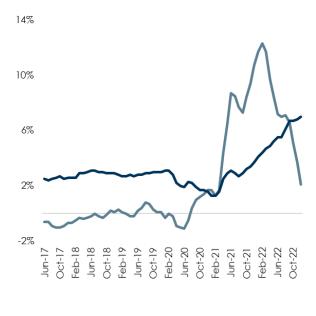
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## Key Risk Factors We Are Watching

- Inflation and labor market data
- Tightening financial conditions
- Downward revisions to corporate earnings
- Ongoing geopolitical tensions
- Regulatory policy shifts (US and China in particular)

### Elevated Services Inflation Still a Fed Concern



CPI: Core Services

—CPI: Core Goods

Source: Bloomberg

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