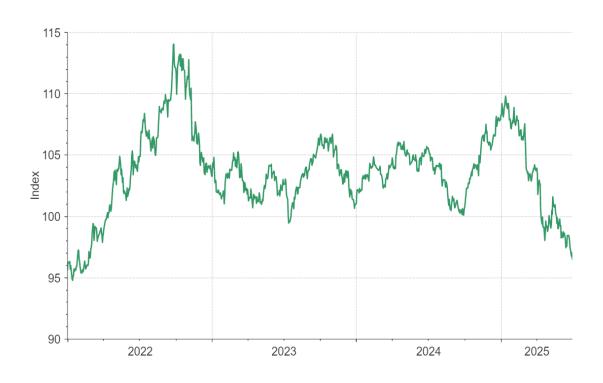
#### US Dollar Index Fades to a Three-Year Low

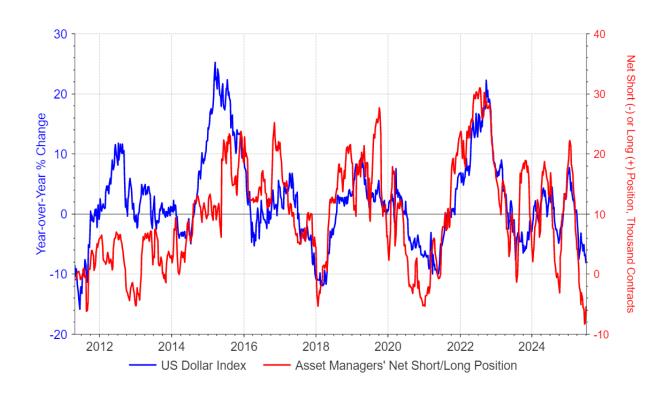


- 1. DXY ↓11.6% YTD
- 2. Weakest YTD since '09
- 3. Israel/Iran spat cooling
- 4. Fed set to resume cutting rates in 2H 2025



Source: ICE Futures U.S.

### Dollar Drops as Asset Managers Turn more Bearish on the Greenback

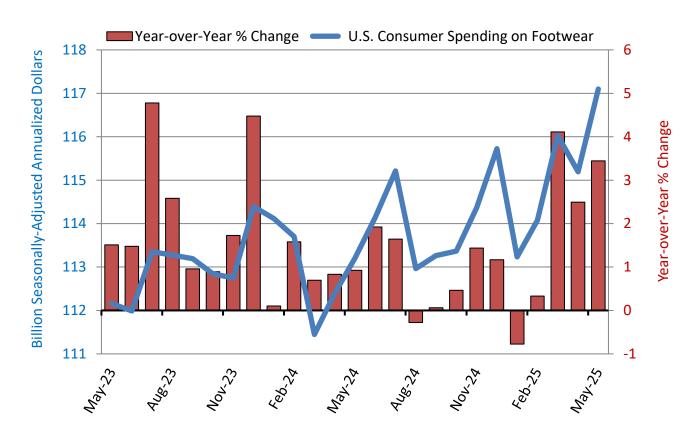


- 1. Asset managers: Most next short on record
- A weaker dollar → firmer commodity prices and import costs



Sources: ICE Futures U.S. & CFTC

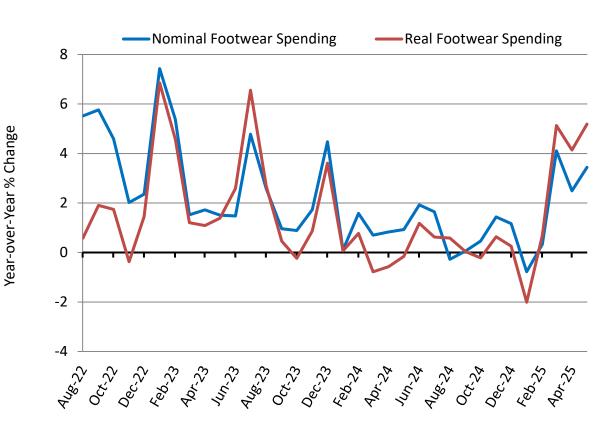
### Footwear Spending Grows again to a Record in May



- Footwear demand in May: An annualized \$117.1B, highest on record
- 2. 个3.4% y/y, higher 33 of 35 months
- 3. 2<sup>nd</sup> fastest expansion in 17 months
- 4. But rose slower than gains in other key areas of consumer spending



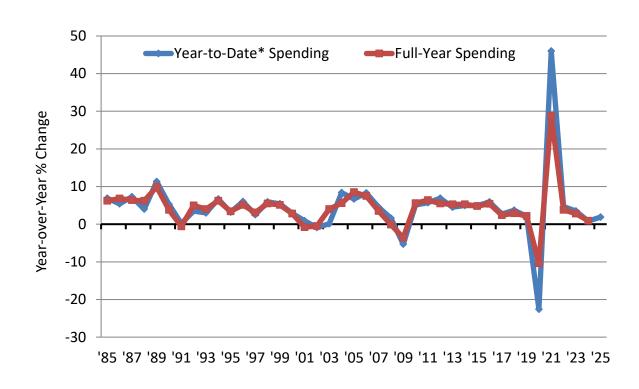
#### Footwear Spending Grows even Faster in Volume Terms



- 1. Volume terms: 个5.2% y/y in May
- 2. Fastest in 20 months
- Volume spending > dollar spending only 4 of last 22 months



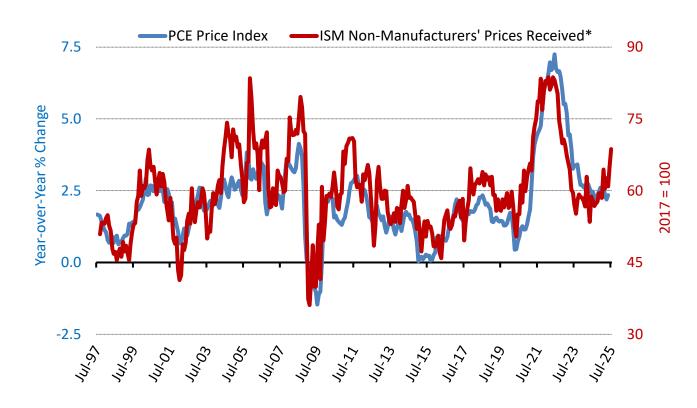
### Uptick in Year-to-Date Footwear Spending Hints at Modest Change in 2025



- 1. YTD spending: ↑1.9% y/y
- 2. YTD +/-  $\rightarrow$  full-year +/- 39 of the last 42 years
- ~2-in-3 chance that spending in 2025 will range from -1.2% lower to 5.0% higher
- 4. Range is likely to narrow with each passing month



## Inflation Holds Steady...for now

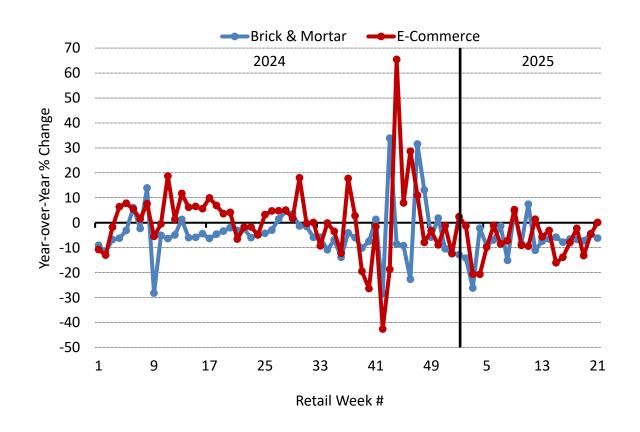


- 1. Inflation ↑2.3% y/y in May
- ISM Non-manufacturer's Index of Prices Received jumped to 68.7 in May
- 3. ↑18.5% y/y, 2-month lag
- 4. Hints inflation set to rise soon





### Both Brick & Mortar and E-Commerce Shoe Sales Diverge in Latest Week

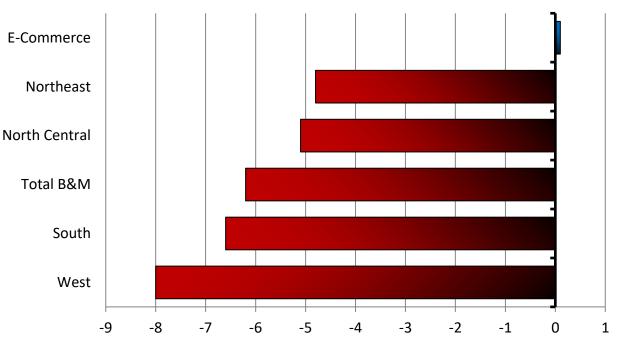


- B&M ↓6.2% y/y
- 2.  $\downarrow$  21 of last 23 weeks
- 3. 18-week low
- 4. E-comm ↑0.1% y/y
- 5. 个 Only 4 of last 26 weeks
- 6. Just up from 17-week low touched 2 weeks ago



Source: FDRA confidential weekly survey

### Brick & Mortar Shoe Store Sales Lower Across the Board again in Latest Week



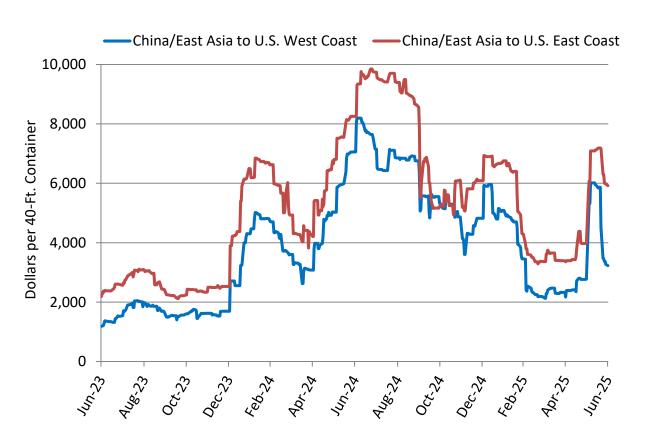
Week 21 2025 vs. Week 21 2024, % Change

- 1. Northeast:  $\sqrt{4.8\%}$ ,  $\sqrt{21}$  of 24 weeks
- North Central:  $\sqrt{5.1\%}$ ,  $\sqrt{20}$  of 23 weeks
- South:  $\downarrow$ 6.6%,  $\downarrow$ 21 of 23 weeks
- 4. West:  $\sqrt{8.0\%}$ ,  $\sqrt{22}$  of 24 weeks
- 5. YTD B&M: ↓7.3%
- . YTD e-comm: ↓7.3%
- 7. YTD total: ↓7.3%



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### Trans-Pac Container Rates Fade Further from Nine-Month Highs

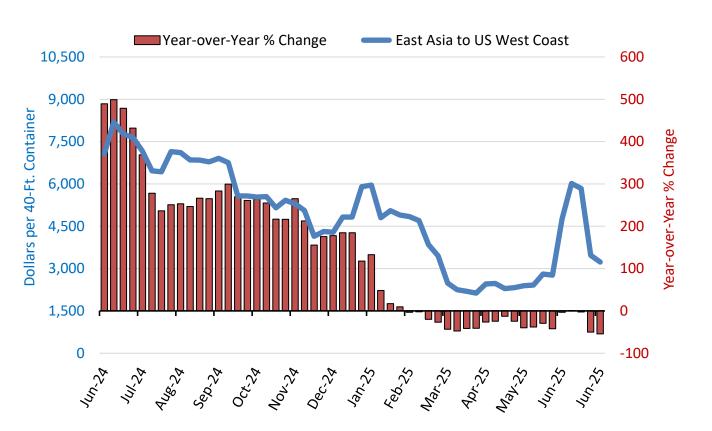


- L. US W Coast: \$3,230/FEU
- 2. US E Coast: \$5,921/FEU
- B. Both sharply off 9-month highs
- Oil ↓, bunker fuel ↓, shipping capacity ↑



Source: Freightos

# China/East Asia to US West Coast Rate Sharply Lower y/y



- L. Currently ↓ 54.2% y/y
- 2. Demand surge behind us?
- Carriers have increased capacity on the lane by 13% compared to March and early April.



Source: Freightos

Amazon Prime Day:

7 days

End of 90-day pause on new tariffs: 8 days



Shoe Sourcing Executive Summit:

15 days



Next FOMC meeting concludes:

29 days





End of reciprocal tariff pause:

43 days