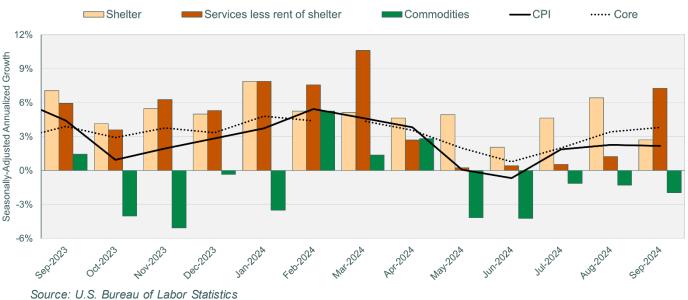


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Key Points:

- The <u>seasonally adjusted consumer price index (CPI) grew at a 2.2%</u> annualized rate in September.
 - Core CPI, which excludes volatile food and energy components, <u>grew at a 3.8%</u> <u>annualized rate</u> the fastest pace since March.
 - The <u>pace of core inflation increased</u> despite a significant decline in the pace of shelter inflation, which accounts for around 45% of the core CPI.
 - Key drivers of inflation were auto insurance, airfares and medical services.



Consumer Price Index Inflation

- As disinflation continues, <u>year-over-year real wage growth remains robust</u> across the wage distribution.
 - <u>Low unemployment and strong real wage growth</u> are supportive of real consumption growth and GDP growth generally, particularly for households with low levels of savings.

Atlanta Fed Wage Growth Tracker, CPI Inflation-Adjusted

