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In [ ]: import pandas as pd, numpy as np, matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from statsmodels.tsa.api import VAR
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In [ ]: gdp_raw = pd.read_csv("GDP_Component.csv")
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gdp_raw = gdp_raw[[
    "REF_DATE", "GEO", "Prices", "Seasonal adjustment",
    "Estimates", "VALUE"
]]
gdp_raw.head()
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	REF_DATE	GEO	Prices	Seasonal adjustment	Estimates	VALUE
0	1990-01	Canada	Chained (2017) dollars	Seasonally adjusted at annual rates	Final consumption expenditure	892824
1	1990-04	Canada	Chained (2017) dollars	Seasonally adjusted at annual rates	Final consumption expenditure	882793
2	1990-07	Canada	Chained (2017) dollars	Seasonally adjusted at annual rates	Final consumption expenditure	888741
3	1990-10	Canada	Chained (2017) dollars	Seasonally adjusted at annual rates	Final consumption expenditure	889602
4	1991-01	Canada	Chained (2017) dollars	Seasonally adjusted at annual rates	Final consumption expenditure	875730

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In [15]: print(gdp_raw["GEO"].unique())
print(gdp_raw["Prices"].unique())
print(gdp_raw["Seasonal adjustment"].unique())
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['Canada']
['Chained (2017) dollars']
['Seasonally adjusted at annual rates']
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In [16]: gdp = gdp_raw[
    (gdp_raw["GEO"] == "Canada") &
    (gdp_raw["Prices"] == "Chained (2017) dollars") &
    (gdp_raw["Seasonal adjustment"] == "Seasonally adjusted at annual rates")
].copy()

print("rows after filter:", len(gdp))
gdp.head()
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rows after filter: 4402

	REF_DATE	GEO	Prices	Seasonal adjustment	Estimates	VALUE
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In [17]: gdp_wide = (
    gdp.pivot(index="REF_DATE", columns="Estimates", values="VALUE")
        .reset_index()
)

gdp_wide["REF_DATE"] = pd.to_datetime(gdp_wide["REF_DATE"])
gdp_wide = gdp_wide.sort_values("REF_DATE").set_index("REF_DATE")

print("columns:", list(gdp_wide.columns)[:15])
gdp_wide.tail()
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columns: ['Business gross fixed capital formation', 'Durable goods', 'Exports of goods', 'Exports of goods and services', 'Exports of services', 'Farm', 'Final consumption expenditure', 'Final domestic demand', 'General governments final consumption expenditure', 'General governments gross fixed capital formation', 'Goods', 'Gross domestic product at market prices', 'Gross fixed capital formation', 'Household final consumption expenditure', 'Imports of goods']

Out[17]:

Estimates	Business gross fixed capital formation	Durable goods	Exports of goods	Exports of goods and services	Exports of services	Farm	Final consumption expenditure	Final domestic demand
REF_DATE								
2024-04-01	412401	174453	563595	732534	173046	-2967	1938889	2443520
2024-07-01	409356	179925	564772	731408	170563	-2097	1961068	2462587
2024-10-01	418674	187224	578970	744109	168776	293	1981053	2494078
2025-01-01	413456	184389	587798	754705	170542	-1938	1982459	2488291
2025-04-01	410942	189009	533997	698086	168183	-2740	2004878	2509589

5 rows × 31 columns



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In [ ]: patterns = {
    "C": r"^(Final consumption expenditure|Household final consumption expenditure)$",
    "I": r"^(Gross fixed capital formation$",
    "G": r"^(General governments final consumption expenditure|Government final consu",
    "X": r"^(Exports of goods and services$",
    "M": r"^(Imports of goods and services$",
}

selected = {}
for short, pat in patterns.items():
    matched = gdp_wide.columns[gdp_wide.columns.str.fullmatch(pat)]
    if len(matched) == 0:
        matched = gdp_wide.columns[gdp_wide.columns.str.contains(pat.strip("^$")).split()]
    selected[short] = matched[0] if len(matched) else None

selected
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Out[ ]: {'C': 'Final consumption expenditure',
 'I': 'Gross fixed capital formation',
 'G': 'General governments final consumption expenditure',
 'X': 'Exports of goods and services',
 'M': 'Less: imports of goods and services'}
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In [19]: keep_cols = [v for v in selected.values() if v is not None]
gdp_block_level = gdp_wide[keep_cols].dropna()
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print("Selected columns (in order C,I,G,X,M):", keep_cols)
gdp_block_level.tail()
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Selected columns (in order C,I,G,X,M): ['Final consumption expenditure', 'Gross fixed capital formation', 'General governments final consumption expenditure', 'Exports of goods and services', 'Less: imports of goods and services']

Out[19]:

Estimates	Final consumption expenditure	Gross fixed capital formation	General governments final consumption expenditure	Exports of goods and services	Less: imports of goods and services
REF_DATE					
2024-04-01	1938889	509764	537645	732534	794175
2024-07-01	1961068	507456	544858	731408	792198
2024-10-01	1981053	518483	548051	744109	797086
2025-01-01	1982459	511943	547464	754705	804141
2025-04-01	2004878	511490	554367	698086	793594

In [20]:

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gdp_block_growth = np.log(gdp_block_level).diff().dropna()
gdp_block_growth.tail()
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Out[20]:

Estimates	Final consumption expenditure	Gross fixed capital formation	General governments final consumption expenditure	Exports of goods and services	Less: imports of goods and services
REF_DATE					
2024-04-01	0.006753	0.008166	0.013548	-0.012333	0.000020
2024-07-01	0.011374	-0.004538	0.013327	-0.001538	-0.002492
2024-10-01	0.010139	0.021497	0.005843	0.017216	0.006151
2025-01-01	0.000709	-0.012694	-0.001072	0.014139	0.008812
2025-04-01	0.011245	-0.000885	0.012530	-0.077985	-0.013203

In [21]:

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from statsmodels.tsa.api import VAR
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In [22]:

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model = VAR(gdp_block_growth)
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c:\Users\logc0\anaconda3\envs\hw6\lib\site-packages\statsmodels\tsa\base\tsa_model.py:  
473: ValueWarning: No frequency information was provided, so inferred frequency QS-OCT  
will be used.  
... self._init_dates(dates, freq)
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In [23]: lag_selection = model.select_order(maxlags=8)  
print(lag_selection.summary())
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VAR Order Selection (* highlights the minimums)  
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	AIC	BIC	FPE	HQIC
0	-42.27*	-42.16*	4.386e-19*	-42.23*
1	-42.27	-41.62	4.392e-19	-42.00
2	-42.08	-40.88	5.322e-19	-41.59
3	-42.02	-40.28	5.666e-19	-41.31
4	-42.03	-39.75	5.631e-19	-41.11
5	-42.07	-39.25	5.484e-19	-40.92
6	-41.90	-38.53	6.657e-19	-40.53
7	-41.70	-37.79	8.297e-19	-40.11
8	-41.68	-37.23	8.781e-19	-39.87

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In [28]: lag_opt = 2  
var_fit = model.fit(lag_opt)  
print(var_fit.summary())
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## Summary of Regression Results ..

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 Model: VAR  
 Method: OLS  
 Date: Mon, 13, Oct, 2025  
 Time: 16:29:27

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 No. of Equations: 5.00000 BIC: -40.9293  
 Nobs: 139.000 HQIC: -41.6186  
 Log likelihood: 1994.13 FPE: 5.26094e-19  
 AIC: -42.0905 Det(Omega\_mle): 3.59485e-19

## Results for equation Final consumption expenditure

t-stat	prob	coefficient	std. error
const		0.008703	0.001521
5.723	0.000		
L1.Final consumption expenditure		-0.241576	0.164724
-1.467	0.142		
L1.Gross fixed capital formation		0.137295	0.076995
1.783	0.075		
L1.General governments final consumption expenditure		-0.021730	0.172562
-0.126	0.900		
L1.Exports of goods and services		-0.007131	0.066322
-0.108	0.914		
L1.Less: imports of goods and services		-0.129785	0.083336
-1.557	0.119		
L2.Final consumption expenditure		-0.293120	0.160317
-1.828	0.067		
L2.Gross fixed capital formation		0.035428	0.076269
0.465	0.642		
L2.General governments final consumption expenditure		0.053237	0.175842
0.303	0.762		
L2.Exports of goods and services		0.011954	0.064403
0.186	0.853		
L2.Less: imports of goods and services		0.035731	0.082667
0.432	0.666		

## Results for equation Gross fixed capital formation

t-stat	prob	coefficient	std. error
const		0.009985	0.002841
3.515	0.000		
L1.Final consumption expenditure		-0.372268	0.307730
-1.210	0.226		
L1.Gross fixed capital formation		0.344013	0.143837

2.392	0.017		
L1.General governments final consumption expenditure		-0.510639	0.322373
-1.584	0.113		
L1.Exports of goods and services		0.076655	0.123899
0.619	0.536		
L1.Less: imports of goods and services		-0.142666	0.155685
-0.916	0.359		
L2.Final consumption expenditure		-0.199252	0.299496
-0.665	0.506		
L2.Gross fixed capital formation		0.085953	0.142483
0.603	0.546		
L2.General governments final consumption expenditure		-0.026395	0.328499
-0.080	0.936		
L2.Exports of goods and services		-0.126242	0.120314
-1.049	0.294		
L2.Less: imports of goods and services		0.062433	0.154435
0.404	0.686		
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## Results for equation General governments final consumption expenditure

t-stat	prob	coefficient	std. error
const		0.005176	0.000976
5.305	0.000		
L1.Final consumption expenditure		-0.129020	0.105678
-1.221	0.222		
L1.Gross fixed capital formation		0.100120	0.049396
2.027	0.043		
L1.General governments final consumption expenditure		0.010786	0.110707
0.097	0.922		
L1.Exports of goods and services		-0.035849	0.042548
-0.843	0.399		
L1.Less: imports of goods and services		-0.056762	0.053464
-1.062	0.288		
L2.Final consumption expenditure		-0.106439	0.102850
-1.035	0.301		
L2.Gross fixed capital formation		-0.023638	0.048930
-0.483	0.629		
L2.General governments final consumption expenditure		0.173460	0.112811
1.538	0.124		
L2.Exports of goods and services		-0.003996	0.041317
-0.097	0.923		
L2.Less: imports of goods and services		0.010380	0.053035
0.196	0.845		
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## Results for equation Exports of goods and services

coefficient	std. error
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t-stat	prob		
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const		0.011979	0.003309
3.620	0.000		
L1.Final consumption expenditure		-0.015105	0.358447
-0.042	0.966		
L1.Gross fixed capital formation		0.284337	0.167543
1.697	0.090		
L1.General governments final consumption expenditure		-0.732030	0.375503
-1.949	0.051		
L1.Exports of goods and services		0.079456	0.144319
0.551	0.582		
L1.Less: imports of goods and services		-0.192903	0.181343
-1.064	0.287		
L2.Final consumption expenditure		-0.646046	0.348856
-1.852	0.064		
L2.Gross fixed capital formation		-0.116343	0.165965
-0.701	0.483		
L2.General governments final consumption expenditure		-0.018935	0.382639
-0.049	0.961		
L2.Exports of goods and services		-0.111874	0.140143
-0.798	0.425		
L2.Less: imports of goods and services		0.383100	0.179887
2.130	0.033		
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## Results for equation Less: imports of goods and services

t-stat	prob	coefficient	std. error
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const		0.015142	0.003916
3.867	0.000		
L1.Final consumption expenditure		-0.105226	0.424186
-0.248	0.804		
L1.Gross fixed capital formation		0.287572	0.198271
1.450	0.147		
L1.General governments final consumption expenditure		-0.551882	0.444370
-1.242	0.214		
L1.Exports of goods and services		0.108479	0.170787
0.635	0.525		
L1.Less: imports of goods and services		-0.306846	0.214602
-1.430	0.153		
L2.Final consumption expenditure		-0.555662	0.412835
-1.346	0.178		
L2.Gross fixed capital formation		0.068746	0.196403
0.350	0.726		
L2.General governments final consumption expenditure		-0.254482	0.452815
-0.562	0.574		
L2.Exports of goods and services		-0.087087	0.165845
-0.525	0.600		
L2.Less: imports of goods and services		0.210812	0.212879

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## Correlation matrix of residuals

	Final consumption expenditure	Gr oss fixed capital formation	General governments final consumption expenditure	Export s of goods and services	Less: imports of goods and services
Final consumption expenditure	1.000000				
0.638020	0.625426				0.58
1832	0.769686				
Gross fixed capital formation		0.638020			
1.000000		0.339162			0.51
3539		0.786366			
General governments final consumption expenditure			0.625426		
0.339162			1.000000		0.25
2789			0.395796		
Exports of goods and services				0.581832	
0.513539				0.252789	1.00
0000					0.769686
Less: imports of goods and services					
0.786366					0.395796
8241					1.000000

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In [ ]: lag_used = var_fit.k_ar
forecast = var_fit.forecast(gdp_block_growth.values[-lag_used:], steps=8)
forecast_df = pd.DataFrame(forecast, columns=gdp_block_growth.columns)

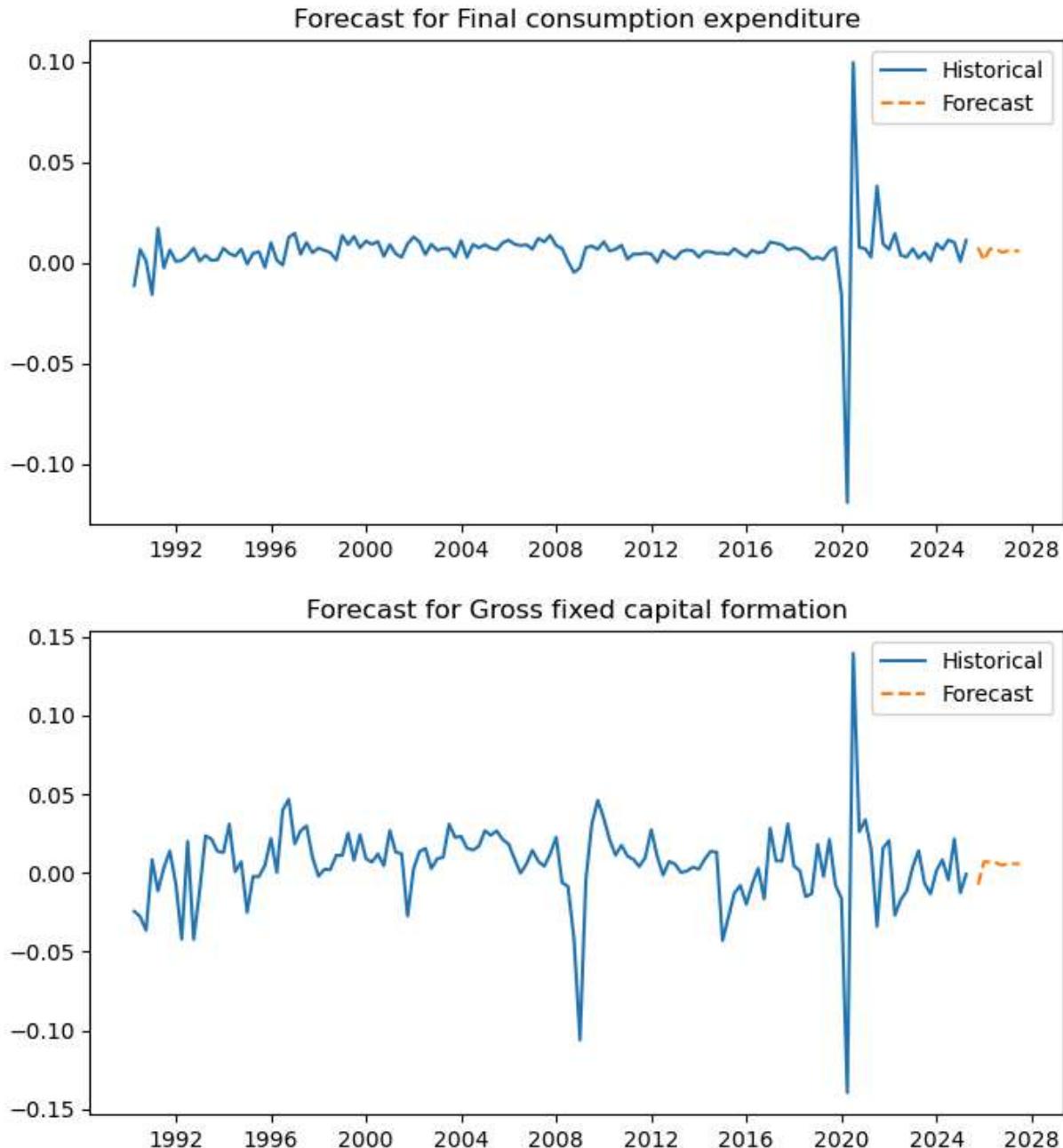
last_per = gdp_block_growth.index.to_period('Q')[-1]
forecast_df.index = pd.period_range(last_per + 1, periods=8, freq='Q')
forecast_df
```

Out[ ]:

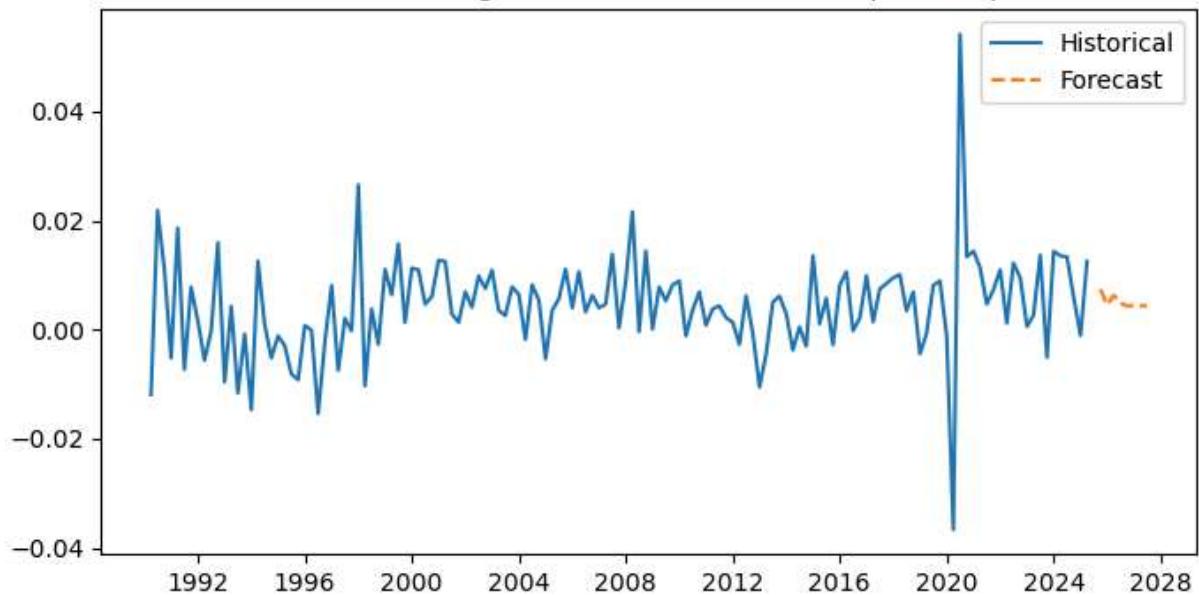
Estimates	Final consumption expenditure	Gross fixed capital formation	General governments final consumption expenditure	Exports of goods and services	Less: imports of goods and services
2025Q3	0.007631	-0.007438	0.007390	0.001568	0.002013
2025Q4	0.001341	0.007018	0.004528	0.000342	0.002185
2026Q1	0.006942	0.006875	0.006278	0.006636	0.007543
2026Q2	0.006986	0.006302	0.004868	0.007336	0.010346
2026Q3	0.005271	0.004828	0.004347	0.005432	0.007184
2026Q4	0.005919	0.005596	0.004453	0.006940	0.008817
2027Q1	0.005930	0.005719	0.004403	0.007166	0.009057
2027Q2	0.005832	0.005612	0.004334	0.007157	0.008949

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In [31]: import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

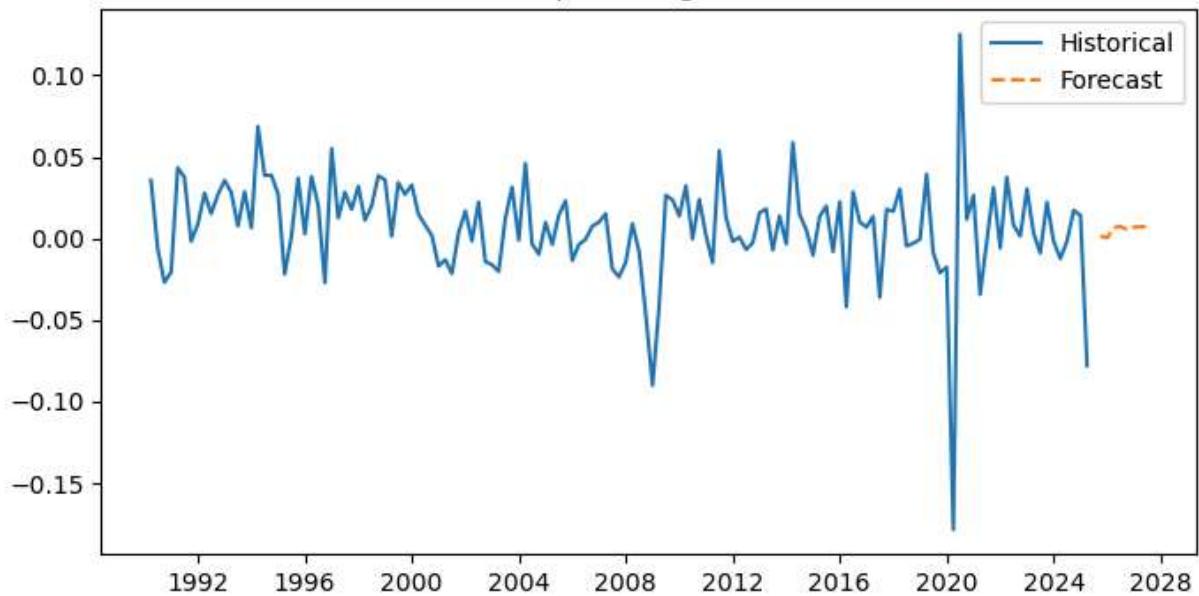
for col in forecast_df.columns:
    plt.figure(figsize=(8,4))
    plt.plot(gdp_block_growth[col], label='Historical')
    plt.plot(forecast_df[col], label='Forecast', linestyle='--')
    plt.title(f"Forecast for {col}")
    plt.legend()
    plt.show()
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## Forecast for General governments final consumption expenditure



## Forecast for Exports of goods and services



## Forecast for Less: imports of goods and services



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In [32]: last_level = gdp_block_level.iloc[-1].copy()
last_level
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Out[32]: Estimates
Final consumption expenditure ..... 2004878
Gross fixed capital formation ..... 511490
General governments final consumption expenditure ..... 554367
Exports of goods and services ..... 698086
Less: imports of goods and services ..... 793594
Name: 2025-04-01 00:00:00, dtype: int64
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In [33]: level_forecast = pd.DataFrame(index=forecast_df.index, columns=forecast_df.columns, c
                                         current = last_level.copy()
                                         for i, idx in enumerate(forecast_df.index):
                                             current = current * (1.0 + forecast_df.iloc[i])
                                             level_forecast.loc[idx] = current
                                         level_forecast.head()
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Out[33]:

Estimates	Final consumption expenditure	Gross fixed capital formation	General governments final consumption expenditure	Exports of goods and services	Less: imports of goods and services
2025Q3	2.020177e+06	507685.700399	558463.775725	699180.526312	795191.425369
2025Q4	2.022886e+06	511248.591523	560992.359205	699419.948813	796928.563254
2026Q1	2.036928e+06	514763.631260	564514.227085	704061.491116	802939.797245
2026Q2	2.051158e+06	518007.864902	567262.355408	709226.192903	811246.790814
2026Q3	2.061970e+06	520508.805425	569728.214699	713079.021600	817074.922402

In [34]:

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import_col = [c for c in level_forecast.columns if "imports of goods and services" in c]

total_gdp_level = (
    level_forecast["Final consumption expenditure"]
    + level_forecast["Gross fixed capital formation"]
    + level_forecast.filter(like="final consumption", axis=1).filter(like="government")
    + level_forecast["Exports of goods and services"]
    - level_forecast[import_col]
)

total_gdp_level.name = "GDP (level, chained 2017$)"
total_gdp_level.head()
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Out[34]:

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2025Q3 ... 2.990316e+06
2025Q4 ... 2.997618e+06
2026Q1 ... 3.017328e+06
2026Q2 ... 3.034408e+06
2026Q3 ... 3.048212e+06
Freq: Q-DEC, Name: GDP (level, chained 2017$), dtype: float64
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In [ ]:

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total_gdp_growth = np.log(total_gdp_level).diff()
total_gdp_growth.name = "GDP growth (Δlog)"
total_gdp_growth.dropna().head()
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Out[ ]:

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2025Q4 ... 0.002439
2026Q1 ... 0.006554
2026Q2 ... 0.005645
2026Q3 ... 0.004539
2026Q4 ... 0.005039
Freq: Q-DEC, Name: GDP growth (Δlog), dtype: float64
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In [39]:

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hist_total_level = (
    gdp_block_level["Final consumption expenditure"]
    + gdp_block_level["Gross fixed capital formation"]
    + gdp_block_level["General governments final consumption expenditure"]
    + gdp_block_level["Exports of goods and services"]
    - gdp_block_level["Less: imports of goods and services"]
)
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hist_total_growth = np.log(hist_total_level).diff().dropna()

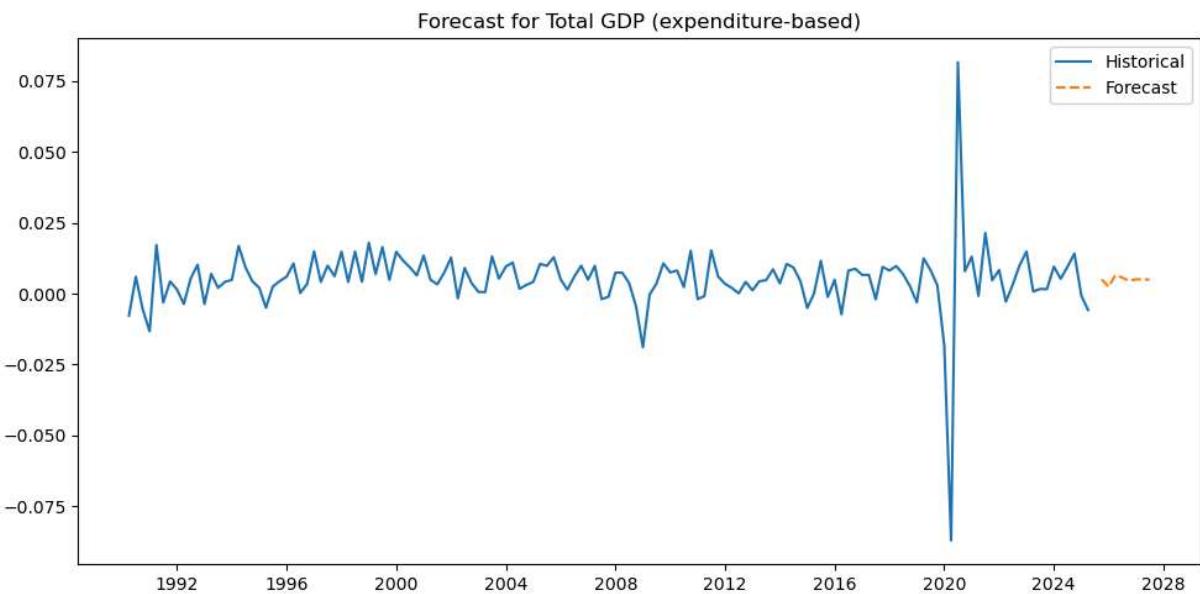
fc_total_level = (
    level_forecast["Final consumption expenditure"]
    + level_forecast["Gross fixed capital formation"]
    + level_forecast["General governments final consumption expenditure"]
    + level_forecast["Exports of goods and services"]
    - level_forecast["Less: imports of goods and services"]
)

combo_level = pd.concat([hist_total_level.iloc[-1:], fc_total_level])
fc_total_growth = np.log(combo_level).diff().iloc[1:]

hist_idx = hist_total_growth.index.to_timestamp(how="end") if isinstance(hist_total_gro
fc_idx = fc_total_growth.index.to_timestamp(how="end") if isinstance(fc_total_gr

plt.figure(figsize=(10,5))
plt.plot(hist_idx, hist_total_growth, label="Historical")
plt.plot(fc_idx, fc_total_growth, linestyle="--", label="Forecast")
plt.title("Forecast for Total GDP (expenditure-based)")
plt.legend()
plt.tight_layout()
plt.show()

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In [ ]: # CPI → Canada, All-items
cpi = pd.read_csv("Inflation.csv")[["REF_DATE", "GEO", "Products and product groups", "V
cpi = cpi[(cpi["GEO"]=="Canada") & (cpi["Products and product groups"]=="All-items")]
cpi["REF_DATE"] = pd.to_datetime(cpi["REF_DATE"])
cpi = cpi.sort_values("REF_DATE").set_index("REF_DATE").rename(columns={"VALUE":"CPI"})

# Monthly MoM% and YoY%
infl_mom = (np.log(cpi["CPI"]) - np.log(cpi["CPI"].shift(1))) * 100
infl_yoy = (np.log(cpi["CPI"]) - np.log(cpi["CPI"].shift(12))) * 100

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# Quarterly (average)
iq_mom = infl_mom.dropna().resample("Q").mean()
iq_yoy = infl_yoy.dropna().resample("Q").mean()
iq_mom.index = iq_mom.index.to_period("Q")
iq_yoy.index = iq_yoy.index.to_period("Q")

# VAR dataset: inflation-only (YoY & MoM)
var_data = pd.concat([iq_yoy.rename("Infl_YoY_%"), iq_mom.rename("Infl_MoM_%")], axis=1)

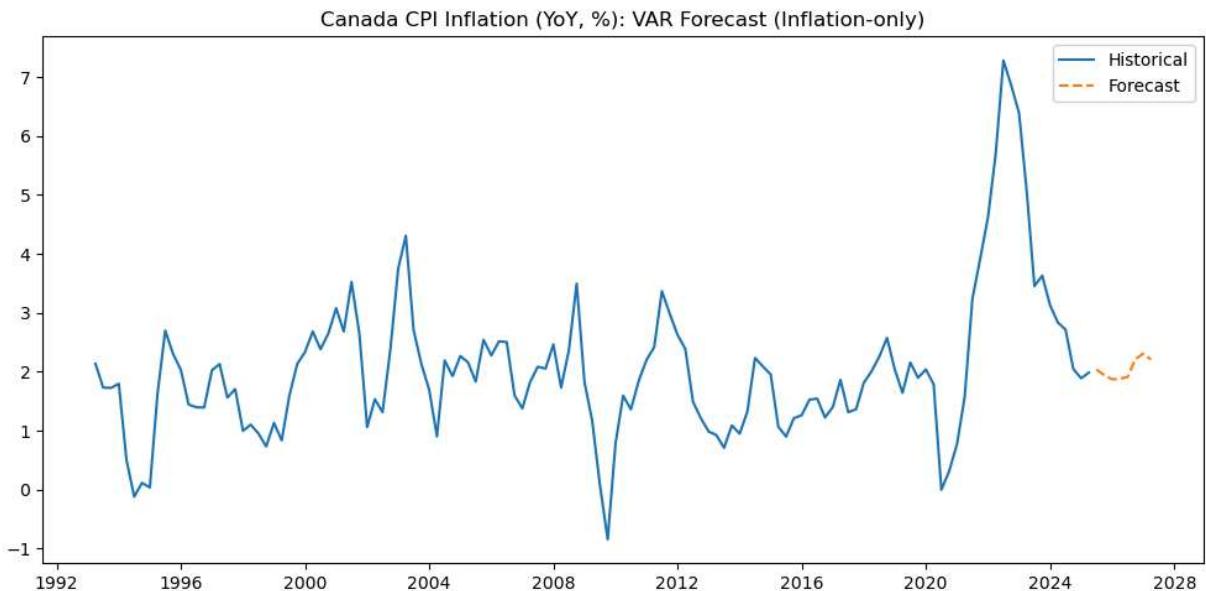
# Fit VAR
sel = VAR(var_data).select_order(8)
lag = max(1, sel.selected_orders.get("aic", 2))
fit = VAR(var_data).fit(lag)

# Forecast
h = 8
yhat = fit.forecast(var_data.values[-lag:], steps=h)
fc_idx = pd.period_range(var_data.index[-1]+1, periods=h, freq="Q")
fc = pd.DataFrame(yhat, columns=var_data.columns, index=fc_idx)

# Plot: YoY only
hist = var_data.to_timestamp("Q")
fut = fc.to_timestamp("Q")
plt.figure(figsize=(10,5))
plt.plot(hist.index, hist["Infl_YoY_%"], label="Historical")
plt.plot(fut.index, fut["Infl_YoY_%"], linestyle="--", label="Forecast")
plt.title("Canada CPI Inflation (YoY, %): VAR Forecast (Inflation-only)")
plt.legend(); plt.tight_layout(); plt.show()

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C:\Users\logc0\AppData\Local\Temp\ipykernel\_32060\2353328134.py:15: FutureWarning: 'Q' is deprecated and will be removed in a future version, please use 'QE' instead.  
 iq\_mom = infl\_mom.dropna().resample("Q").mean()  
 C:\Users\logc0\AppData\Local\Temp\ipykernel\_32060\2353328134.py:16: FutureWarning: 'Q' is deprecated and will be removed in a future version, please use 'QE' instead.  
 iq\_yoy = infl\_yoy.dropna().resample("Q").mean()



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In [50]: print("lag (selected):", lag)
print("lag (fit.k_ar):", fit.k_ar)
print(sel.summary())
```

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lag (selected): 8
lag (fit.k_ar): 8
VAR Order Selection (* highlights the minimums)
=====
      AIC      BIC      FPE      HQIC
-----
0    -3.266   -3.220   0.03816   -3.247
1    -5.095   -4.956   0.006129   -5.038
2    -5.402   -5.171   0.004509   -5.308
3    -6.286   -5.963   0.001862   -6.155
4    -6.396   -5.980   0.001669   -6.227
5    -6.512   -6.004   0.001487   -6.305
6    -6.465   -5.865   0.001559   -6.221
7    -6.717   -6.023*  0.001214   -6.435*
8    -6.726*  -5.940   0.001204*  -6.406
```

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In [ ]: print(fit.is_stable())
print(fit.roots)
```

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True
[ 4.2964697 -0.j ... -1.26047078+0.8193306j -1.26047078-0.8193306j
 -0.91085167+0.93526031j -0.91085167-0.93526031j 1.24752342-0.j
 -1.00991733+0.63379071j -1.00991733-0.63379071j 1.06879054+0.49713113j
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 0.74411672+0.84486558j 0.74411672-0.84486558j 0.44118693+1.00355731j
 0.44118693-1.00355731j]
```

```
In [52]: print(fit.summary())
```

## Summary of Regression Results

=====
 Model: VAR  
 Method: OLS  
 Date: Mon, 13, Oct, 2025  
 Time: 17:22:44

=====
 No. of Equations: 2.00000 BIC: -5.93996  
 Nobs: 121.000 HQIC: -6.40649  
 Log likelihood: 97.5126 FPE: 0.00120436  
 AIC: -6.72555 Det(Omega\_mle): 0.000925909

## Results for equation Infl\_YoY\_%

	coefficient	std. error	t-stat	prob
const	0.237881	0.097870	2.431	0.015
L1.Infl_YoY_%	-0.250265	0.211297	-1.184	0.236
L1.Infl_MoM_%	3.700723	0.495058	7.475	0.000
L2.Infl_YoY_%	-0.026225	0.185510	-0.141	0.888
L2.Infl_MoM_%	4.262309	0.759946	5.609	0.000
L3.Infl_YoY_%	0.078205	0.185236	0.422	0.673
L3.Infl_MoM_%	3.996342	0.938199	4.260	0.000
L4.Infl_YoY_%	-0.777706	0.172501	-4.508	0.000
L4.Infl_MoM_%	2.637617	1.088465	2.423	0.015
L5.Infl_YoY_%	-0.138504	0.196411	-0.705	0.481
L5.Infl_MoM_%	2.856044	1.083580	2.636	0.008
L6.Infl_YoY_%	0.056538	0.126749	0.446	0.656
L6.Infl_MoM_%	2.766208	0.985072	2.808	0.005
L7.Infl_YoY_%	0.162689	0.127235	1.279	0.201
L7.Infl_MoM_%	2.221850	0.831217	2.673	0.008
L8.Infl_YoY_%	-0.109323	0.080746	-1.354	0.176
L8.Infl_MoM_%	0.242537	0.586313	0.414	0.679

## Results for equation Infl\_MoM\_%

	coefficient	std. error	t-stat	prob
const	0.110875	0.042000	2.640	0.008
L1.Infl_YoY_%	-0.087860	0.090675	-0.969	0.333
L1.Infl_MoM_%	0.305390	0.212448	1.437	0.151
L2.Infl_YoY_%	-0.018411	0.079609	-0.231	0.817
L2.Infl_MoM_%	0.447258	0.326121	1.371	0.170
L3.Infl_YoY_%	0.052090	0.079492	0.655	0.512
L3.Infl_MoM_%	0.404299	0.402616	1.004	0.315
L4.Infl_YoY_%	-0.089869	0.074027	-1.214	0.225
L4.Infl_MoM_%	0.131315	0.467101	0.281	0.779
L5.Infl_YoY_%	-0.073230	0.084287	-0.869	0.385
L5.Infl_MoM_%	0.542152	0.465005	1.166	0.244
L6.Infl_YoY_%	-0.005517	0.054393	-0.101	0.919
L6.Infl_MoM_%	0.469569	0.422731	1.111	0.267
L7.Infl_YoY_%	0.055267	0.054601	1.012	0.311
L7.Infl_MoM_%	0.314828	0.356706	0.883	0.377
L8.Infl_YoY_%	-0.012889	0.034651	-0.372	0.710
L8.Infl_MoM_%	-0.086698	0.251609	-0.345	0.730

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=====
Correlation matrix of residuals
   Infl_YoY_%  Infl_MoM_%
Infl_YoY_%    1.000000  0.894893
Infl_MoM_%    0.894893  1.000000
```

```
In [54]: employment = pd.read_csv("employment.csv")
employment.columns
```

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Out[54]: Index(['REF_DATE', 'GEO', 'DGUID', 'Products and product groups', 'UOM',
       'UOM_ID', 'SCALAR_FACTOR', 'SCALAR_ID', 'VECTOR', 'COORDINATE', 'VALUE',
       'STATUS', 'SYMBOL', 'TERMINATED', 'DECIMALS'],
      dtype='object')
```

```
In [56]: emp = pd.read_csv("employment.csv")
emp = emp[emp["GEO"]=="Canada"].copy()
emp["REF_DATE"] = pd.to_datetime(emp["REF_DATE"])
emp = emp.sort_values("REF_DATE")

main_name = None
cands = emp["Products and product groups"].dropna().unique().tolist()
if "Employment" in cands:
    main_name = "Employment"
else:
    cand_list = [c for c in cands if "employment" in c.lower()]
    main_name = cand_list[0] if cand_list else cands[0]

emp = emp[emp["Products and product groups"]==main_name][["REF_DATE", "VALUE"]]
emp = emp.set_index("REF_DATE").rename(columns={"VALUE": "EMP"}).astype(float)

emp_yoy_m = (np.log(emp["EMP"]) - np.log(emp["EMP"].shift(12))) * 100
emp_mom_m = (np.log(emp["EMP"]) - np.log(emp["EMP"].shift(1))) * 100

emp_yoy_q = emp_yoy_m.dropna().resample("Q").mean()
emp_mom_q = emp_mom_m.dropna().resample("Q").mean()
emp_yoy_q.index = emp_yoy_q.index.to_period("Q")
emp_mom_q.index = emp_mom_q.index.to_period("Q")

var_data = pd.concat([emp_yoy_q.rename("Emp_YoY_%"),
                      emp_mom_q.rename("Emp_MoM_%")], axis=1).dropna()

T, k = var_data.shape
maxlags_safe = max(1, min(8, T // (k + 1) - 1))
sel = VAR(var_data).select_order(maxlags_safe)
lag = max(1, sel.selected_orders.get("aic", 2))
fit = VAR(var_data).fit(lag)

h = 8
yhat = fit.forecast(var_data.values[-lag:], steps=h)
```

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fc_idx = pd.period_range(var_data.index[-1]+1, periods=h, freq="Q")
emp_fc = pd.DataFrame(yhat, columns=var_data.columns, index=fc_idx)

print("selected_lag:", lag, "| stable:", fit.is_stable())


hist = var_data.to_timestamp("Q")
fut = emp_fc.to_timestamp("Q")

plt.figure(figsize=(10,5))
plt.plot(hist.index, hist["Emp_YoY_%"], label="Historical")
plt.plot(fut.index, fut["Emp_YoY_%"], linestyle="--", label="Forecast")
plt.title("Canada Employment (YoY, %): VAR Forecast")
plt.legend(); plt.tight_layout(); plt.show()

plt.figure(figsize=(10,5))
plt.plot(hist.index, hist["Emp_MoM_%"], label="Historical")
plt.plot(fut.index, fut["Emp_MoM_%"], linestyle="--", label="Forecast")
plt.title("Canada Employment (MoM, %): VAR Forecast")
plt.legend(); plt.tight_layout(); plt.show()

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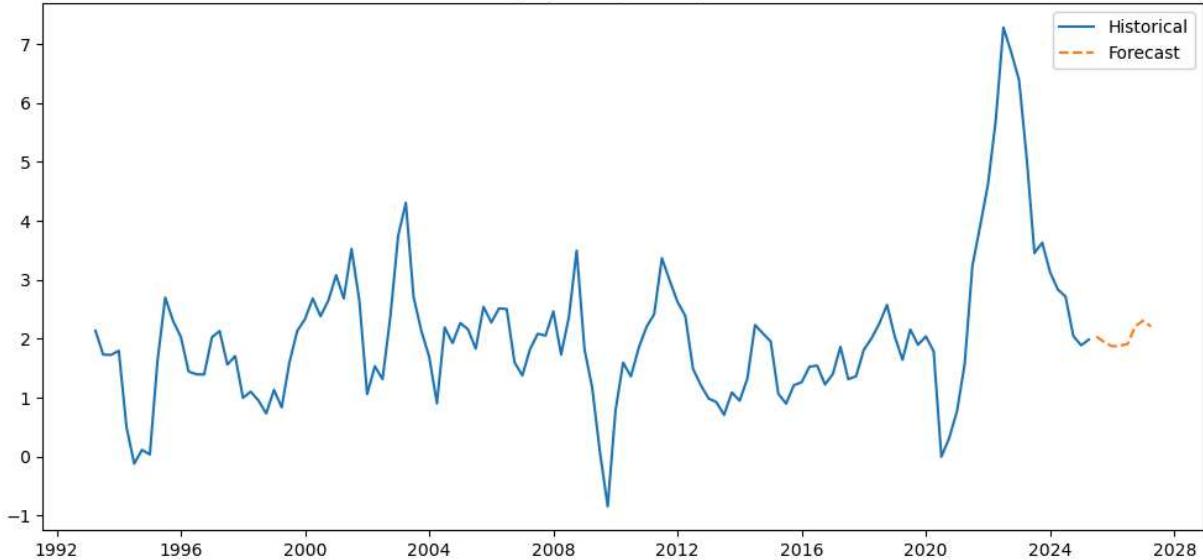
selected\_lag: 8 | stable: True

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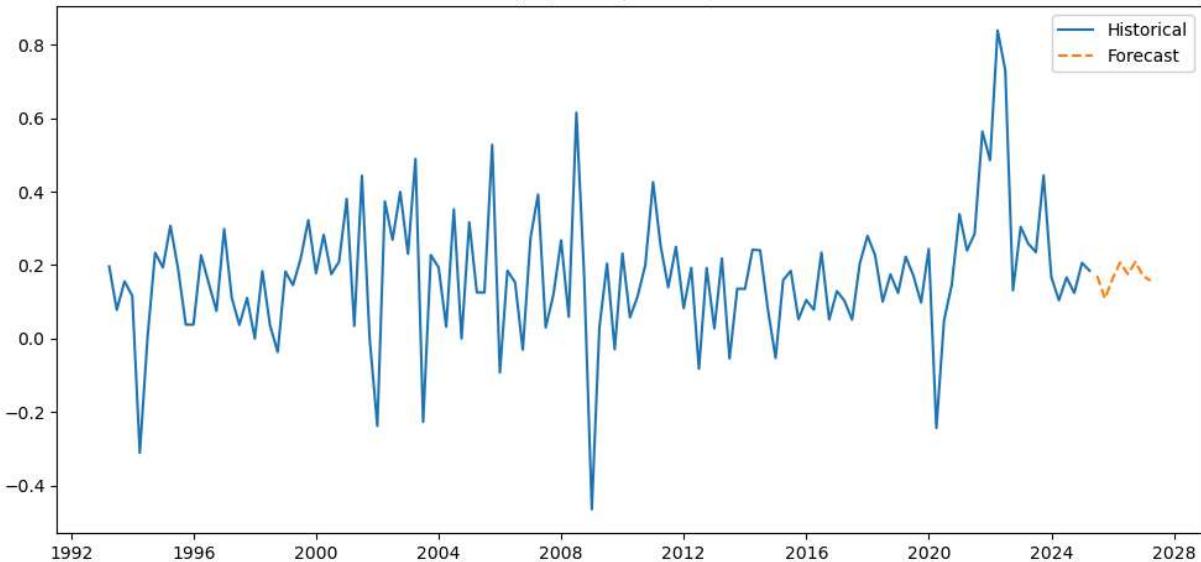
C:\Users\logc0\AppData\Local\Temp\ipykernel_32060\1252648259.py:22: FutureWarning: 'Q'
is deprecated and will be removed in a future version, please use 'QE' instead.
... emp_yoy_q = emp_yoy_m.dropna().resample("Q").mean()
C:\Users\logc0\AppData\Local\Temp\ipykernel_32060\1252648259.py:23: FutureWarning: 'Q'
is deprecated and will be removed in a future version, please use 'QE' instead.
... emp_mom_q = emp_mom_m.dropna().resample("Q").mean()

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Canada Employment (YoY, %): VAR Forecast



## Canada Employment (MoM, %): VAR Forecast



```
In [58]: pol = pd.read_csv("population.csv")
pol.columns
```

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Out[58]: Index(['REF_DATE', 'GEO', 'DGUID', 'UOM', 'UOM_ID', 'SCALAR_FACTOR',
       'SCALAR_ID', 'VECTOR', 'COORDINATE', 'VALUE', 'STATUS', 'SYMBOL',
       'TERMINATED', 'DECIMALS'],
      dtype='object')
```

```
In [59]: pop = pd.read_csv("population.csv")
pop = pop[pop["GEO"]=="Canada"][[ "REF_DATE", "VALUE"]].copy()
pop["REF_DATE"] = pd.to_datetime(pop["REF_DATE"])
pop = pop.sort_values("REF_DATE").set_index("REF_DATE").rename(columns={"VALUE": "POP"})

pop_yoy = (np.log(pop["POP"]) - np.log(pop["POP"].shift(12))) * 100
pop_mom = (np.log(pop["POP"]) - np.log(pop["POP"].shift(1))) * 100

pop_yoy_q = pop_yoy.dropna().resample("Q").mean()
pop_mom_q = pop_mom.dropna().resample("Q").mean()
pop_yoy_q.index = pop_yoy_q.index.to_period("Q")
pop_mom_q.index = pop_mom_q.index.to_period("Q")

var_data = pd.concat([pop_yoy_q.rename("Pop_YoY_%"),
                      pop_mom_q.rename("Pop_MoM_%")], axis=1).dropna()

T, k = var_data.shape
maxlags_safe = max(1, min(8, T // (k + 1) - 1))
sel = VAR(var_data).select_order(maxlags_safe)
lag = max(1, sel.selected_orders.get("aic", 2))
fit = VAR(var_data).fit(lag)

h = 8
yhat = fit.forecast(var_data.values[-lag:], steps=h)
fc_idx = pd.period_range(var_data.index[-1]+1, periods=h, freq="Q")
pop_fc = pd.DataFrame(yhat, columns=var_data.columns, index=fc_idx)
```

```

print("selected_lag:", lag, "| stable:", fit.is_stable())

hist = var_data.to_timestamp("Q")
fut = pop_fc.to_timestamp("Q")

plt.figure(figsize=(10,5))
plt.plot(hist.index, hist["Pop_YoY_%"], label="Historical")
plt.plot(fut.index, fut["Pop_YoY_%"], linestyle="--", label="Forecast")
plt.title("Canada Population (YoY, %): VAR Forecast")
plt.legend(); plt.tight_layout(); plt.show()

plt.figure(figsize=(10,5))
plt.plot(hist.index, hist["Pop_MoM_%"], label="Historical")
plt.plot(fut.index, fut["Pop_MoM_%"], linestyle="--", label="Forecast")
plt.title("Canada Population (MoM, %): VAR Forecast")
plt.legend(); plt.tight_layout(); plt.show()

```

selected\_lag: 8 | stable: False

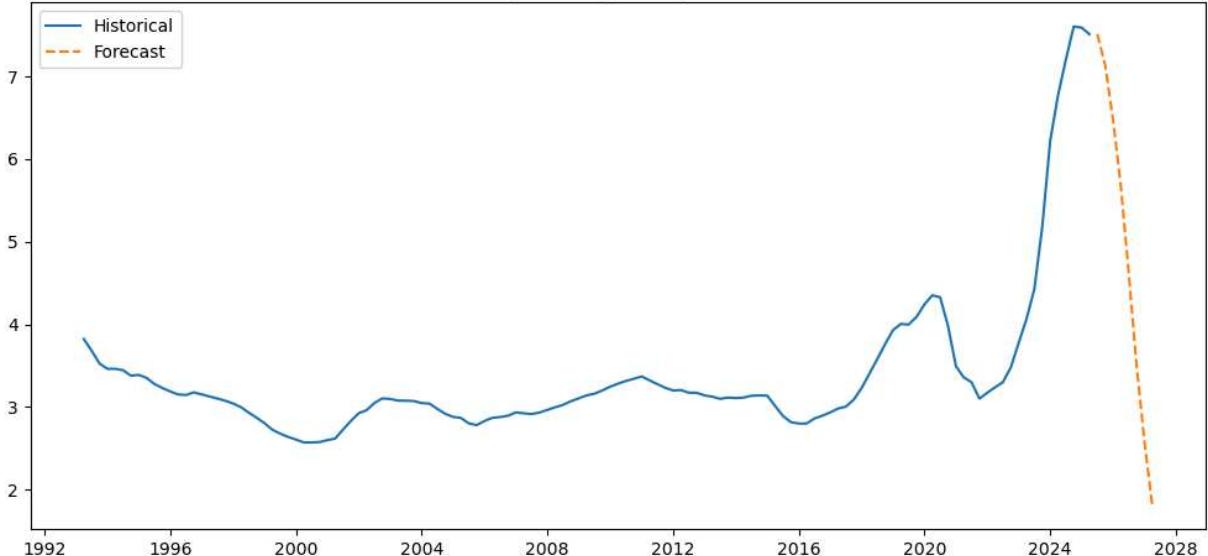
C:\Users\logc0\AppData\Local\Temp\ipykernel\_32060\3406423.py:10: FutureWarning: 'Q' is deprecated and will be removed in a future version, please use 'QE' instead.

... pop\_yoy\_q = pop\_yoy.dropna().resample("Q").mean()

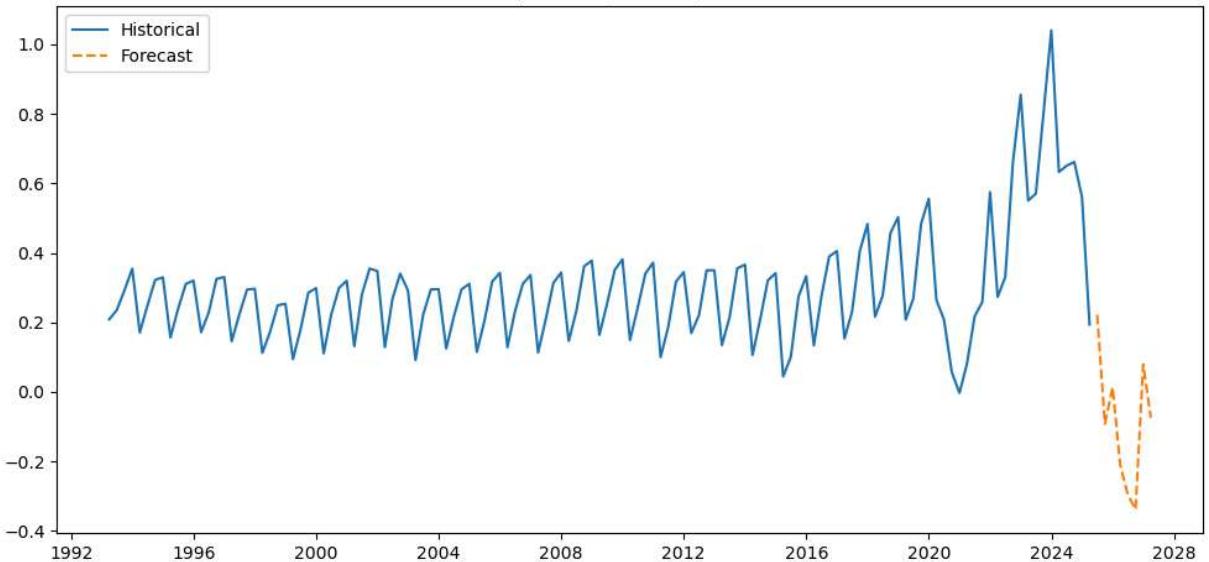
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... pop\_mom\_q = pop\_mom.dropna().resample("Q").mean()

Canada Population (YoY, %): VAR Forecast



## Canada Population (MoM, %): VAR Forecast



```
In [61]: pop = pd.read_csv("population.csv")
pop = pop[pop["GEO"]=="Canada"][[ "REF_DATE", "VALUE"]].copy()
pop["REF_DATE"] = pd.to_datetime(pop["REF_DATE"])
pop = pop.sort_values("REF_DATE").set_index("REF_DATE").rename(columns={"VALUE": "POP"})

pop_yoy = (np.log(pop["POP"]) - np.log(pop["POP"].shift(12))) * 100
pop_mom = (np.log(pop["POP"]) - np.log(pop["POP"].shift(1))) * 100

pop_yoy_q = pop_yoy.dropna().resample("Q-DEC").mean()
pop_mom_q = pop_mom.dropna().resample("Q-DEC").mean()
pop_yoy_q.index = pop_yoy_q.index.to_period("Q-DEC")
pop_mom_q.index = pop_mom_q.index.to_period("Q-DEC")

var_data = pd.concat([pop_yoy_q.rename("Pop_YoY_%"),
                      pop_mom_q.rename("Pop_MoM_%")], axis=1).dropna()

T, k = var_data.shape
maxlags_safe = max(1, min(8, T // (k + 1) - 1)) # estimation limit

def choose_stable_var(data, maxlags=maxlags_safe, ic="bic"):
    for p in range(maxlags, 0, -1): # try from high to low
        fit = VAR(data).fit(p)
        if fit.is_stable():
            return fit
    # if none stable, fall back to p=1
    return VAR(data).fit(1)

fit_try = VAR(var_data).select_order(maxlags_safe)
p0_bic = max(1, fit_try.selected_orders.get("bic", 1))
p0_bic = min(p0_bic, maxlags_safe)
fit = choose_stable_var(var_data, max(p0_bic, 2)) # start near BIC, allow step-down

print("chosen lag:", fit.k_ar, "| stable:", fit.is_stable())

h = 8
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yhat = fit.forecast(var_data.values[-fit.k_ar:], steps=h)
fc_idx = pd.period_range(var_data.index[-1] + 1, periods=h, freq=var_data.index.freq)
pop_fc = pd.DataFrame(yhat, columns=var_data.columns, index=fc_idx)

hist = var_data.to_timestamp()
fut = pop_fc.to_timestamp()

plt.figure(figsize=(10,5))
plt.plot(hist.index, hist["Pop_YoY_%"], label="Historical")
plt.plot(fut.index, fut["Pop_YoY_%"], linestyle="--", label="Forecast")
plt.title("Canada Population (YoY, %): VAR Forecast (stability-checked)")
plt.legend(); plt.tight_layout(); plt.show()

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chosen lag: 6 | stable: True

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.. pop\_yoy\_q = pop\_yoy.dropna().resample("Q-DEC").mean()

C:\Users\logc0\AppData\Local\Temp\ipykernel\_32060\3678002316.py:11: FutureWarning: 'Q-DEC' is deprecated and will be removed in a future version, please use 'QE-DEC' instead.

.. pop\_mom\_q = pop\_mom.dropna().resample("Q-DEC").mean()

Canada Population (YoY, %): VAR Forecast (stability-checked)

