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Summary: The Fed’s preferred inflation measure is services excluding energy services and housing. That inflation rate has consistently been 2-3 percentage points faster than it was before the pandemic, with remarkably little volatility. The combined picture is not terrible, in the grand scheme of things, but it is also consistent with the claim that the last bit of excess inflation will not be squeezed out without some significant disruption to the real economy. I still hope that a truly immaculate disinflation can be achieved, but I am increasingly skeptical that it is the likeliest outcome.

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