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Summary: Global core inflation—averaged across the G10 ex Japan plus the EM early hikers—picked up to an estimated 1-month annualized rate of 2.6% in December from the rock-bottom 1.2% reading in November. This has triggered a renewed round of concerns that the disinflation of 2023 may not last, with some arguing that it was due to a one-off improvement in goods supply—and thus a one-off decline in the level of goods prices—alongside entrenched service inflation. We continue to take a more optimistic view. First, the trend is still improving, as the 3-month annualized rate fell further to an estimated 2.0% in December. Second, the adjustment in core goods prices is far from complete—for example, US used cars have only unwound 31% of their covid-related price increase. And third, we expect both service inflation and wage growth to continue slowing gradually in a lagged response to the improved supply/demand balance across the global economy. We expect “only” 5 cuts this year, below the 6-7 cuts now discounted in market pricing, and we view the chance of 50bp steps as low. Related: [The Case For A Mistake](#) and [The Fed Prepares for Rate Cuts. But Why?](#) and [The Big Picture: Back to the Future](#)

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