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In [1]: # Import necessary libraries
import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import matplotlib.dates as mdates
import seaborn as sns
from statsmodels.tsa.seasonal import seasonal_decompose
from scipy import stats

# Suppress warnings for cleaner output
import warnings
warnings.filterwarnings('ignore')

# Set visualization style
plt.style.use('seaborn-v0_8-whitegrid')
sns.set_palette('viridis')
sns.set_context("notebook", font_scale=1.2)

# Load the dataset
file_path = "D:/capstone/datasets/Affinity - State - Daily.xlsx" # Adjust path if
df = pd.read_excel(file_path)
print(f"Dataset shape: {df.shape}")

# Preview the data
print("\nFirst few rows:")
display(df.head())

# Check columns
print("\nColumns in the dataset:")
print(df.columns.tolist())

# Basic information about the dataset
print("\nDataset information:")
df.info()

# Check for missing values
print("\nMissing values per column:")
print(df.isnull().sum())
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Dataset shape: (50694, 29)

First few rows:

	year	month	day	statefips	freq	spend_all	spend_aap	spend_acf	spend_aer	spend_ap
0	2018	12	31	1	d	.	.	.	.	.
1	2018	12	31	2	d	.	.	.	.	.
2	2018	12	31	4	d	.	.	.	.	.
3	2018	12	31	5	d	.	.	.	.	.
4	2018	12	31	6	d	.	.	.	.	.

5 rows × 29 columns



Columns in the dataset:

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['year', 'month', 'day', 'statefips', 'freq', 'spend_all', 'spend_aap', 'spend_acf',
'spend_aer', 'spend_apg', 'spend_durables', 'spend_nondurables', 'spend_grf', 'spend_gen', 'spend_hic', 'spend_hcs', 'spend_inperson', 'spend_inpersonmisc', 'spend_remo
teservices', 'spend_sgh', 'spend_tws', 'spend_retail_w_grocery', 'spend_retail_no_grocery', 'spend_all_incmiddle', 'spend_all_q1', 'spend_all_q2', 'spend_all_q3', 'spen
d_all_q4', 'provisional']
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Dataset information:

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<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
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RangeIndex: 50694 entries, 0 to 50693
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Data columns (total 29 columns):

#	Column	Non-Null Count	Dtype
0	year	50694 non-null	int64
1	month	50694 non-null	int64
2	day	50694 non-null	int64
3	statefips	50694 non-null	int64
4	freq	50694 non-null	object
5	spend_all	50694 non-null	object
6	spend_aap	50694 non-null	object
7	spend_acf	50694 non-null	object
8	spend_aer	50694 non-null	object
9	spend_apg	50694 non-null	object
10	spend_durables	50694 non-null	object
11	spend_nondurables	50694 non-null	object
12	spend_grf	50694 non-null	object
13	spend_gen	50694 non-null	object
14	spend_hic	50694 non-null	object
15	spend_hcs	50694 non-null	object
16	spend_inperson	50694 non-null	object
17	spend_inpersonmisc	50694 non-null	object
18	spend_remoteservices	50694 non-null	object
19	spend_sgh	50694 non-null	object
20	spend_tws	50694 non-null	object
21	spend_retail_w_grocery	50694 non-null	object
22	spend_retail_no_grocery	50694 non-null	object
23	spend_all_incmiddle	50694 non-null	object
24	spend_all_q1	50694 non-null	object
25	spend_all_q2	50694 non-null	object
26	spend_all_q3	50694 non-null	object
27	spend_all_q4	50694 non-null	object
28	provisional	50694 non-null	int64

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dtypes: int64(5), object(24)
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memory usage: 11.2+ MB
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Missing values per column:

year	0
month	0
day	0
statefips	0
freq	0
spend_all	0
spend_aap	0
spend_acf	0
spend_aer	0

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spend_apg                0
spend_durables            0
spend_nondurables        0
spend_grf                 0
spend_gen                 0
spend_hic                 0
spend_hcs                 0
spend_inperson            0
spend_inpersonmisc        0
spend_remoteservices      0
spend_sgh                 0
spend_tws                 0
spend_retail_w_grocery    0
spend_retail_no_grocery   0
spend_all_incmiddle       0
spend_all_q1              0
spend_all_q2              0
spend_all_q3              0
spend_all_q4              0
provisional               0
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In [2]: # Create a proper date column
if 'date' not in df.columns:
    if all(col in df.columns for col in ['year', 'month', 'day']):
        df['date'] = pd.to_datetime(df[['year', 'month', 'day']])
        print("Created date column from year, month, and day columns")

# Identify spending columns
spend_cols = [col for col in df.columns if 'spend' in col.lower()]
print(f"Found {len(spend_cols)} spending-related columns")

# Clean spending columns
for col in spend_cols:
    # Convert to numeric, handling any non-numeric values
    if df[col].dtype == object:
        df[col] = pd.to_numeric(df[col].replace('.', np.nan), errors='coerce')

# Handle missing values with interpolation
for col in spend_cols:
    missing_before = df[col].isna().sum()
    if missing_before > 0:
        df[col] = df[col].interpolate(method='linear')
        df[col] = df[col].fillna(method='ffill').fillna(method='bfill')
        missing_after = df[col].isna().sum()
        print(f"Column '{col}': {missing_before} missing values before, {missing_af

# Focus on total spending ('spend_all')
df_clean = df.dropna(subset=['spend_all', 'date'])
df_clean = df_clean.sort_values('date')
print(f"\nCleaned dataset: {df_clean.shape[0]} rows")
print(f"Date range: {df_clean['date'].min().strftime('%Y-%m-%d')} to {df_clean['dat

# Calculate basic statistics
print("\nBasic statistics for spend_all:")
print(df_clean['spend_all'].describe())

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# After creating the date column and before analyzing the data
# Filter out 2019 data
df_clean = df_clean[df_clean['date'].dt.year >= 2020]
print(f"Filtered dataset (2020-2024 only): {df_clean.shape[0]} rows")
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Created date column from year, month, and day columns

Found 23 spending-related columns

Column 'spend\_all': 1644 missing values before, 0 after cleaning  
 Column 'spend\_aap': 1644 missing values before, 0 after cleaning  
 Column 'spend\_acf': 1644 missing values before, 0 after cleaning  
 Column 'spend\_aer': 1644 missing values before, 0 after cleaning  
 Column 'spend\_apg': 1644 missing values before, 0 after cleaning  
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 Column 'spend\_retail\_no\_grocery': 1644 missing values before, 0 after cleaning  
 Column 'spend\_all\_incmiddle': 1644 missing values before, 0 after cleaning  
 Column 'spend\_all\_q1': 4587 missing values before, 0 after cleaning  
 Column 'spend\_all\_q2': 1644 missing values before, 0 after cleaning  
 Column 'spend\_all\_q3': 1644 missing values before, 0 after cleaning  
 Column 'spend\_all\_q4': 3606 missing values before, 0 after cleaning

Cleaned dataset: 50694 rows

Date range: 2018-12-31 to 2024-06-16

Basic statistics for spend\_all:

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count    50694.000000
mean       0.069241
std       0.137384
min      -0.440000
25%      -0.017800
50%       0.073500
75%       0.164000
max       0.540000
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Name: spend\_all, dtype: float64

Filtered dataset (2020-2024 only): 50643 rows

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In [3]: # Calculate rolling averages for smoother trend analysis
df_clean['30d_ma'] = df_clean['spend_all'].rolling(window=30).mean()
df_clean['90d_ma'] = df_clean['spend_all'].rolling(window=90).mean()

# Plot the full time series with economic phases
plt.figure(figsize=(14, 8))
ax = plt.subplot(111)

# Plot daily spending and moving averages
plt.plot(df_clean['date'], df_clean['spend_all'],
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        alpha=0.3, label='Daily Spending Index', color='gray')
plt.plot(df_clean['date'], df_clean['30d_ma'],
         linewidth=2, label='30-Day Moving Average', color='blue')
plt.plot(df_clean['date'], df_clean['90d_ma'],
         linewidth=3, label='90-Day Moving Average', color='red')

# Define economic phases
phases = [
    {"start": "2020-01-15", "end": "2020-04-15", "label": "COVID Crash", "color": "red"},
    {"start": "2020-04-16", "end": "2020-12-31", "label": "Pandemic Response", "color": "blue"},
    {"start": "2021-01-01", "end": "2021-12-31", "label": "Early Recovery", "color": "green"},
    {"start": "2022-01-01", "end": "2022-12-31", "label": "Inflation Period", "color": "orange"},
    {"start": "2023-01-01", "end": "2024-06-16", "label": "Stabilization", "color": "gray"}
]

# Add phase annotations
ymin, ymax = plt.ylim()
for phase in phases:
    start = pd.to_datetime(phase["start"])
    end = pd.to_datetime(phase["end"])

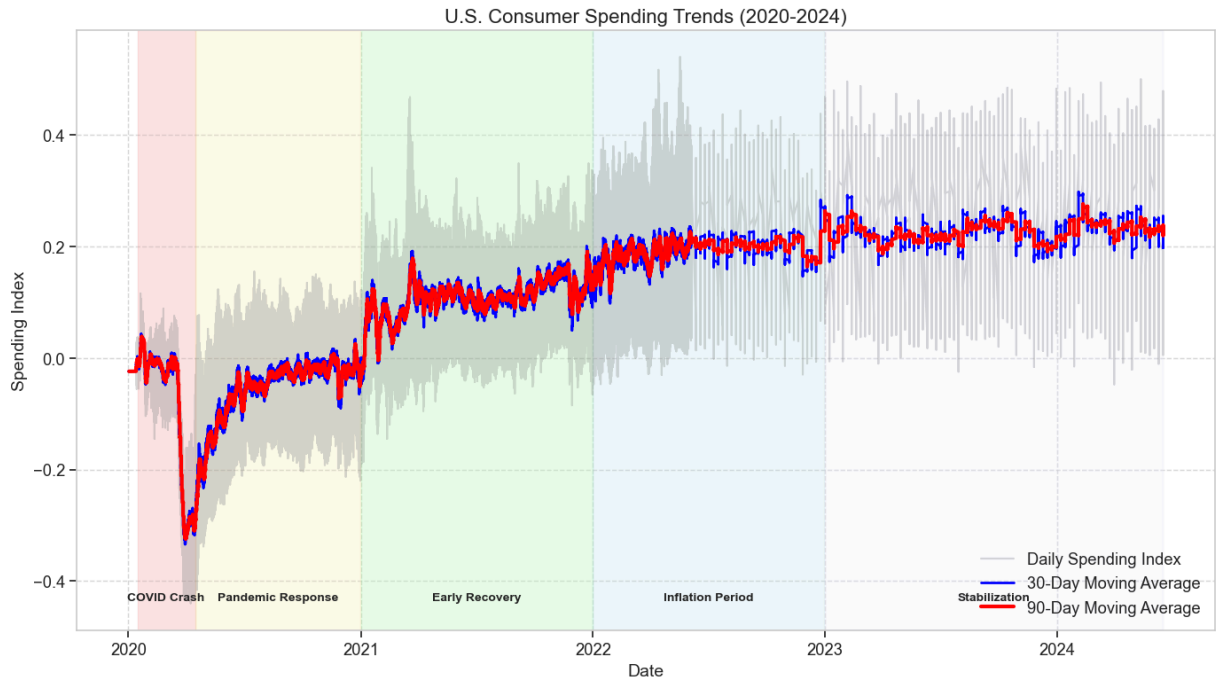
    # Add shaded area for each phase
    plt.axvspan(start, end, alpha=0.2, color=phase["color"])

    # Add phase Label
    middle_date = start + (end - start) / 2
    plt.text(middle_date, ymin + (ymax - ymin) * 0.05,
             phase["label"], ha='center', fontsize=10, fontweight='bold')

# Format the axis
ax.xaxis.set_major_locator(mdates.YearLocator())
ax.xaxis.set_major_formatter(mdates.DateFormatter('%Y'))
plt.grid(True, linestyle='--', alpha=0.7)
plt.xlabel('Date', fontsize=14)
plt.ylabel('Spending Index', fontsize=14)
plt.title('U.S. Consumer Spending Trends (2020-2024)', fontsize=16)
plt.legend(loc='best')
plt.tight_layout()
plt.show()

# Print key observations
print("Key observations from the time series:")
print("1. Sharp decline in spending during the COVID crash (Q1-Q2 2020)")
print("2. Gradual recovery throughout late 2020 and 2021")
print("3. By 2022, spending exceeded pre-pandemic levels")
print("4. 2023-2024 shows a stabilization pattern with more consistent spending levels")

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In [4]: # Prepare data for seasonal decomposition
df_monthly = df_clean.set_index('date')['spend_all'].resample('D').mean().fillna(me

# Perform seasonal decomposition
decomposition = seasonal_decompose(df_monthly, model='additive', period=365)

# Plot the components
fig, axes = plt.subplots(3, 1, figsize=(14, 12), sharex=True)

# Trend
axes[0].plot(decomposition.trend, color='green')
axes[0].set_title('Trend Component', fontsize=14)
axes[0].set_ylabel('Trend')
axes[0].grid(True, linestyle='--', alpha=0.7)

# Seasonal
axes[1].plot(decomposition.seasonal, color='orange')
axes[1].set_title('Seasonal Component', fontsize=14)
axes[1].set_ylabel('Seasonality')
axes[1].grid(True, linestyle='--', alpha=0.7)

# Residual
axes[2].plot(decomposition.resid, color='red')
axes[2].set_title('Residual Component', fontsize=14)
axes[2].set_ylabel('Residual')
axes[2].grid(True, linestyle='--', alpha=0.7)

# Format x-axis
plt.tight_layout()
plt.show()
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# Analyze seasonal patterns
print("Observations from seasonal decomposition:")
print("1. The trend component confirms the overall recovery pattern from 2020-2024")
print("2. Regular seasonal patterns show peaks during holiday seasons and early summer")
print("3. Residuals show exceptional periods that deviate from the expected seasonal pattern")
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In [5]: # Create monthly averages by year
df_clean['year'] = df_clean['date'].dt.year
df_clean['month'] = df_clean['date'].dt.month

# Calculate monthly averages
monthly_avg = df_clean.groupby(['year', 'month'])['spend_all'].mean().reset_index()
pivot_table = monthly_avg.pivot(index='month', columns='year', values='spend_all')

# Plot monthly patterns by year
plt.figure(figsize=(14, 8))
for year in pivot_table.columns:
    plt.plot(pivot_table.index, pivot_table[year],
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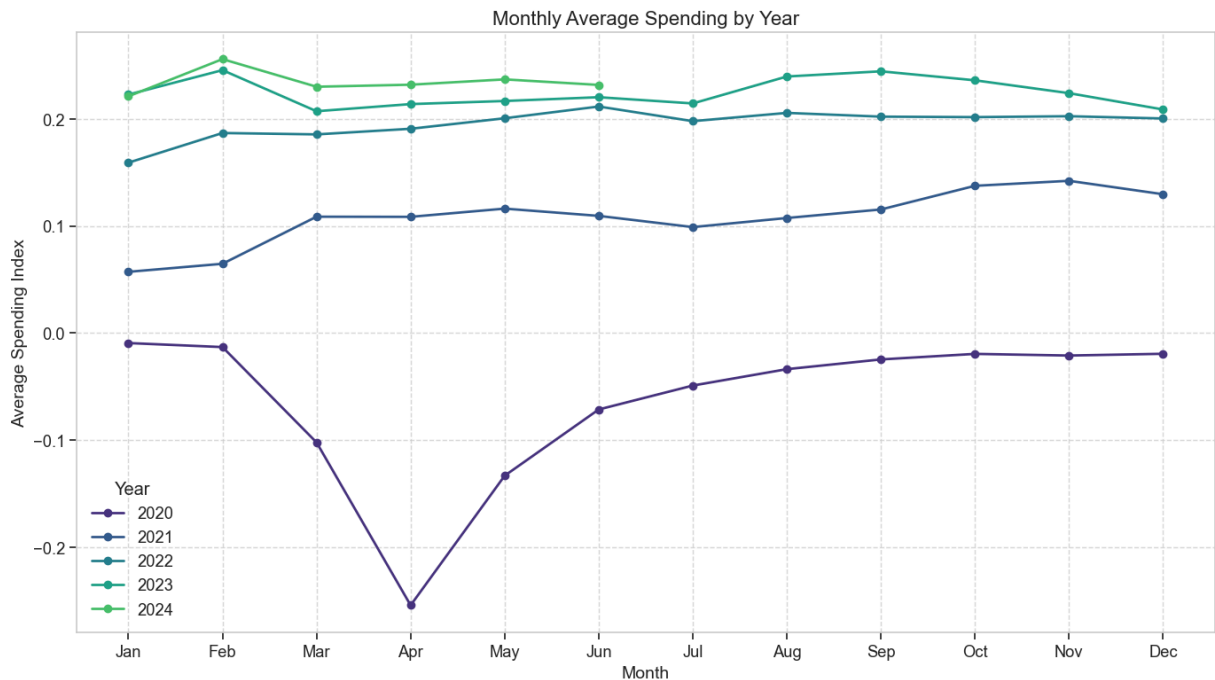
marker='o', linewidth=2, label=str(year))

plt.xticks(range(1, 13), ['Jan', 'Feb', 'Mar', 'Apr', 'May', 'Jun',
                          'Jul', 'Aug', 'Sep', 'Oct', 'Nov', 'Dec'])
plt.grid(True, linestyle='--', alpha=0.7)
plt.xlabel('Month', fontsize=14)
plt.ylabel('Average Spending Index', fontsize=14)
plt.title('Monthly Average Spending by Year', fontsize=16)
plt.legend(title='Year', loc='best')
plt.tight_layout()
plt.show()

# Calculate year-over-year growth
yearly_avg = df_clean.groupby('year')['spend_all'].mean()
yoy_growth = yearly_avg.pct_change() * 100

print("Year-over-Year Growth in Spending:")
print(yoy_growth)

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Year-over-Year Growth in Spending:

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year
2020      NaN
2021  -272.914574
2022   73.807566
2023   19.100460
2024    4.715425
Name: spend_all, dtype: float64

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In [6]: # Calculate statistics by economic phase
phase_stats = []

for phase in phases:
    # Filter data for each phase
    phase_data = df_clean[(df_clean['date'] >= phase["start"]) &
                          (df_clean['date'] <= phase["end"])]

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# Calculate statistics
stats = {
    'Phase': phase["label"],
    'Mean': phase_data['spend_all'].mean(),
    'Median': phase_data['spend_all'].median(),
    'Min': phase_data['spend_all'].min(),
    'Max': phase_data['spend_all'].max(),
    'Std Dev': phase_data['spend_all'].std(),
    'Volatility': phase_data['spend_all'].std() / abs(phase_data['spend_all'].m
    'Days': len(phase_data)
}
phase_stats.append(stats)

# Convert to DataFrame
phase_df = pd.DataFrame(phase_stats)
print("Statistics by Economic Phase:")
display(phase_df)

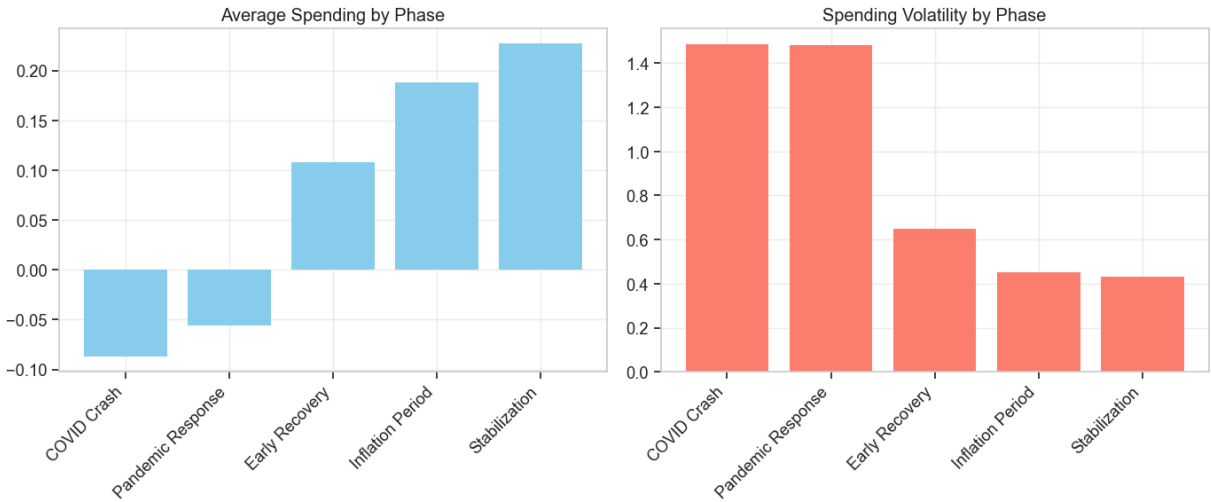
# Visualize phase statistics
plt.figure(figsize=(14, 6))
plt.subplot(121)
plt.bar(phase_df['Phase'], phase_df['Mean'], color='skyblue')
plt.xticks(rotation=45, ha='right')
plt.title('Average Spending by Phase')
plt.grid(alpha=0.3)

plt.subplot(122)
plt.bar(phase_df['Phase'], phase_df['Volatility'], color='salmon')
plt.xticks(rotation=45, ha='right')
plt.title('Spending Volatility by Phase')
plt.grid(alpha=0.3)
plt.tight_layout()
plt.show()

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Statistics by Economic Phase:

	Phase	Mean	Median	Min	Max	Std Dev	Volatility	Days
0	COVID Crash	-0.086616	-0.0221	-0.4400	0.116	0.128713	1.486026	4692
1	Pandemic Response	-0.056232	-0.0453	-0.4160	0.155	0.083312	1.481566	13260
2	Early Recovery	0.108150	0.1100	-0.1890	0.468	0.070366	0.650634	18615
3	Inflation Period	0.187972	0.1900	-0.0469	0.540	0.085256	0.453557	9435
4	Stabilization	0.227166	0.2280	-0.0472	0.500	0.098470	0.433470	3927

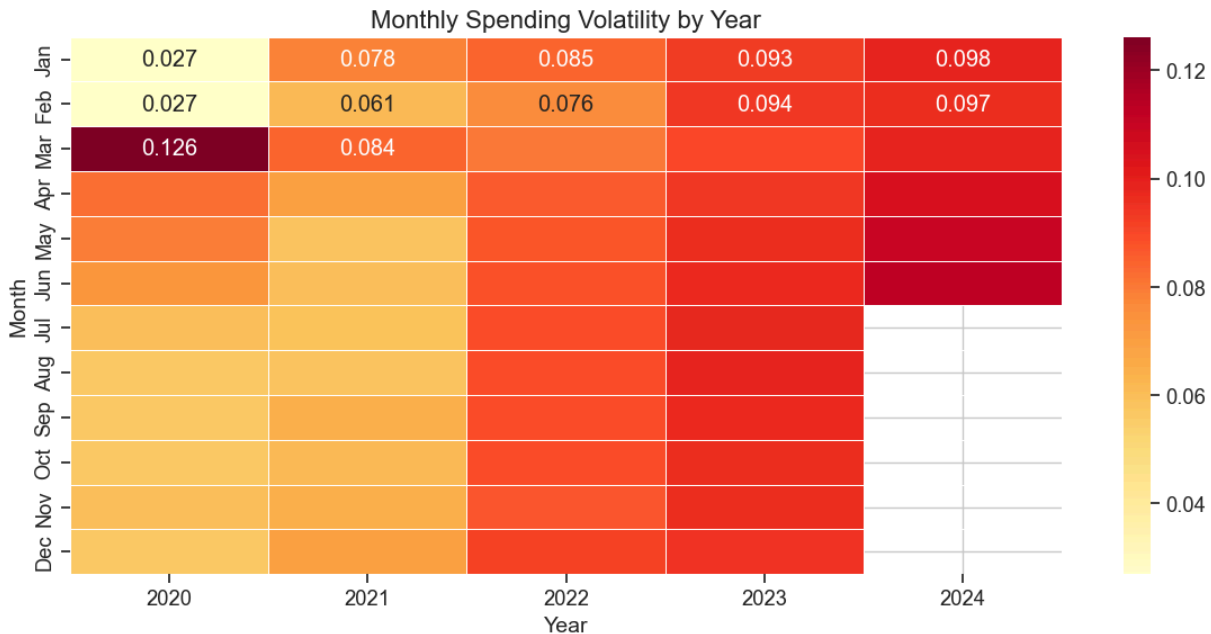


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In [7]: # Calculate monthly volatility
monthly_volatility = df_clean.groupby([
    df_clean['date'].dt.year.rename('Year'),
    df_clean['date'].dt.month.rename('Month')
])[ 'spend_all' ].std().reset_index(name='Volatility')

# Create heatmap
pivot_volatility = monthly_volatility.pivot(index='Month', columns='Year', values='Volatility')

plt.figure(figsize=(12, 6))
sns.heatmap(pivot_volatility, annot=True, cmap='YlOrRd', fmt='.3f', linewidths=.5)
plt.title('Monthly Spending Volatility by Year', fontsize=16)
plt.xlabel('Year', fontsize=14)
plt.ylabel('Month', fontsize=14)
plt.yticks(np.arange(0.5, 12.5), ['Jan', 'Feb', 'Mar', 'Apr', 'May', 'Jun', 'Jul', 'Aug', 'Sep', 'Oct', 'Nov', 'Dec'])

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In [8]: # Print comprehensive summary
print("\nMAJOR TRENDS IN CONSUMER SPENDING (2020-2024):")
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print("    - Dramatic decline during early 2020 COVID crash")
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print("\n2. Economic Phase Characteristics:")
print("    - COVID Crash: Highest volatility with rapid negative growth")
print("    - Pandemic Response: Stabilization but with high variance")
print("    - Early Recovery: Consistent positive growth with decreasing volatility")
print("    - Inflation Period: Elevated spending with moderate volatility")
print("    - Stabilization: More consistent spending patterns with lower volatility")

print("\n3. Seasonal Patterns:")
print("    - Regular annual cycles with peaks during holiday seasons")
print("    - 2020 seasonal pattern was highly distorted due to pandemic disruptions")
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print("\n4. Year-over-Year Growth:")
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print("    - 2024: Minimal growth around 5%, indicating stabilization")

print("\n5. Volatility Evolution:")
print("    - Highest volatility during COVID crash and early pandemic")
print("    - Gradual reduction in volatility through recovery phases")
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