

Market Comments

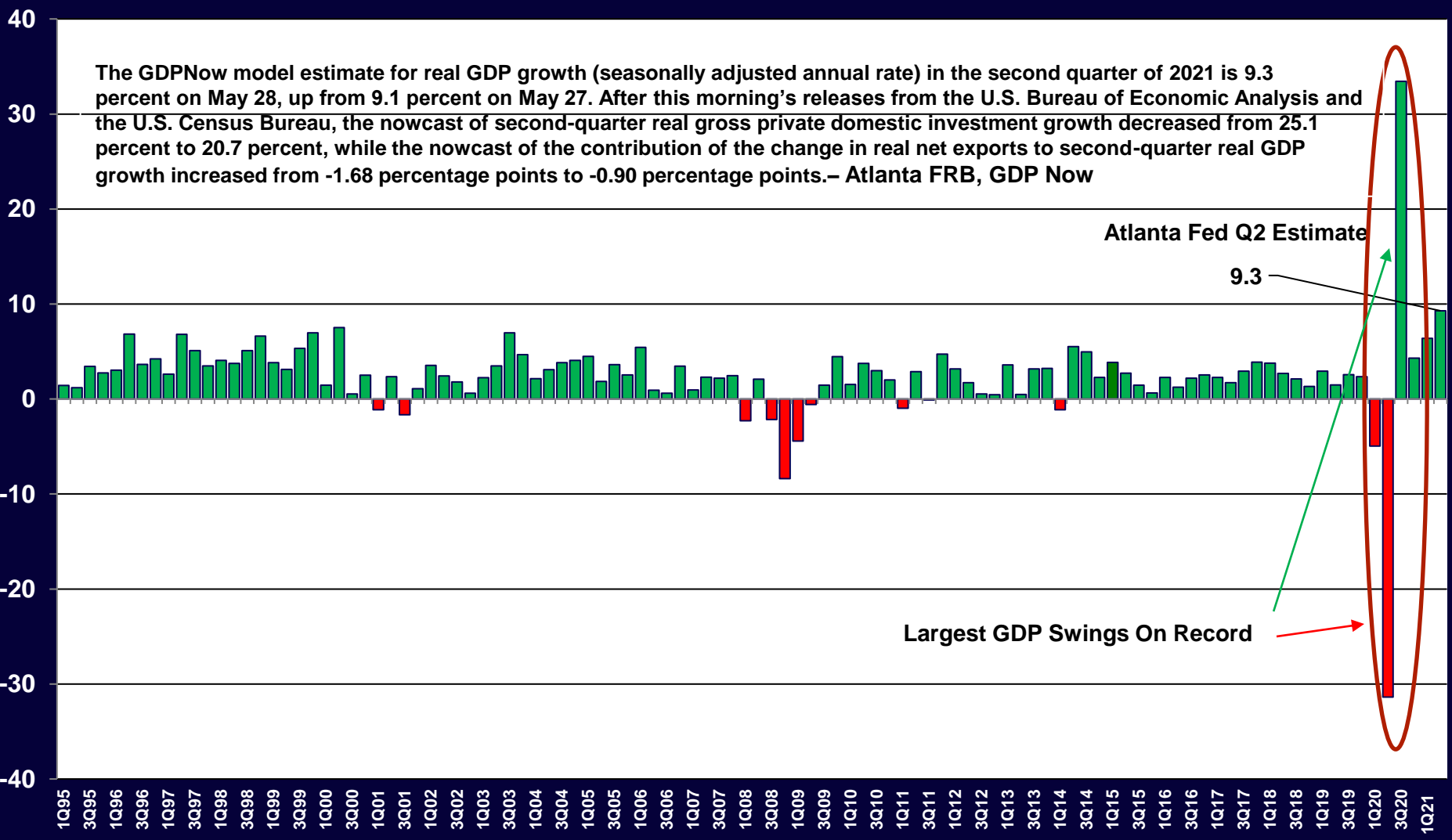
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U.S. GDP Growth

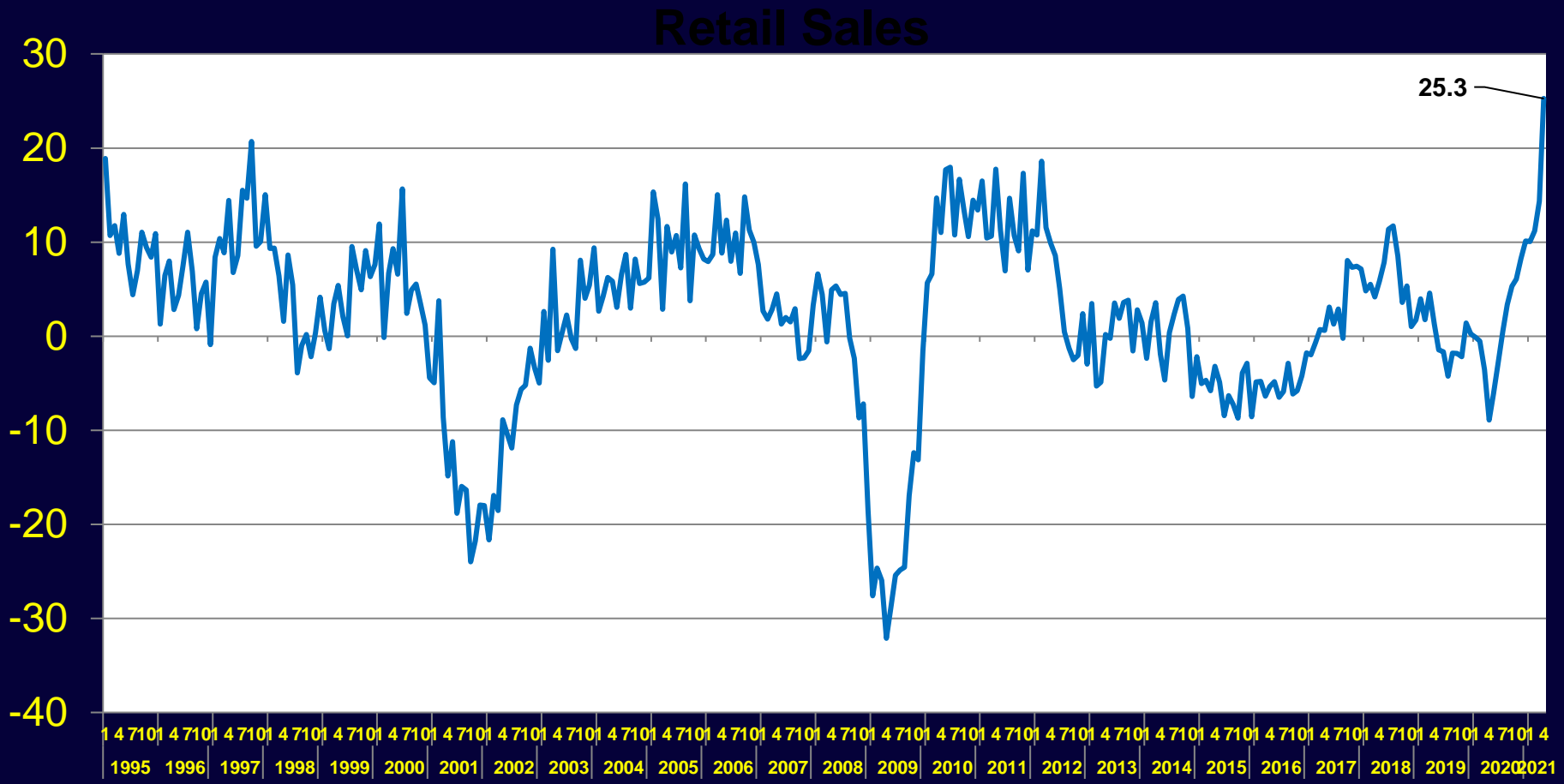
% Annualized Change vs. Prior Quarter (2012 \$)

The GDPNow model estimate for real GDP growth (seasonally adjusted annual rate) in the second quarter of 2021 is 9.3 percent on May 28, up from 9.1 percent on May 27. After this morning's releases from the U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis and the U.S. Census Bureau, the nowcast of second-quarter real gross private domestic investment growth decreased from 25.1 percent to 20.7 percent, while the nowcast of the contribution of the change in real net exports to second-quarter real GDP growth increased from -1.68 percentage points to -0.90 percentage points.— Atlanta FRB, GDP Now



U.S. Business Investment Soaring

12-month % Increase In Core Capital Goods Orders



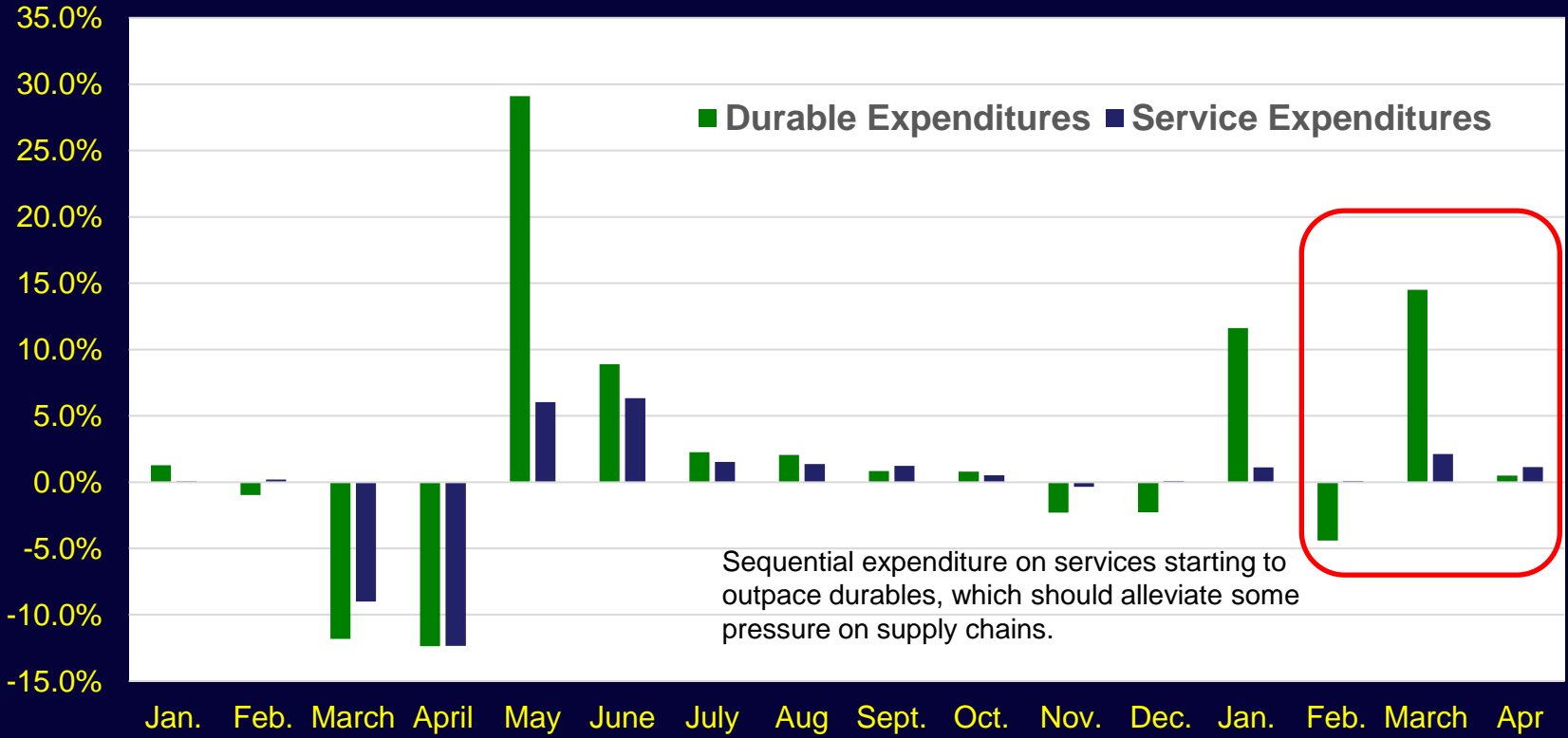
U.S. Retail Sales – Bollinger Bands

3-Year Moving Average +/- 2 Standard Deviations



--- Moving Average
— +2 STD
— -2 STD
— Retail Sales

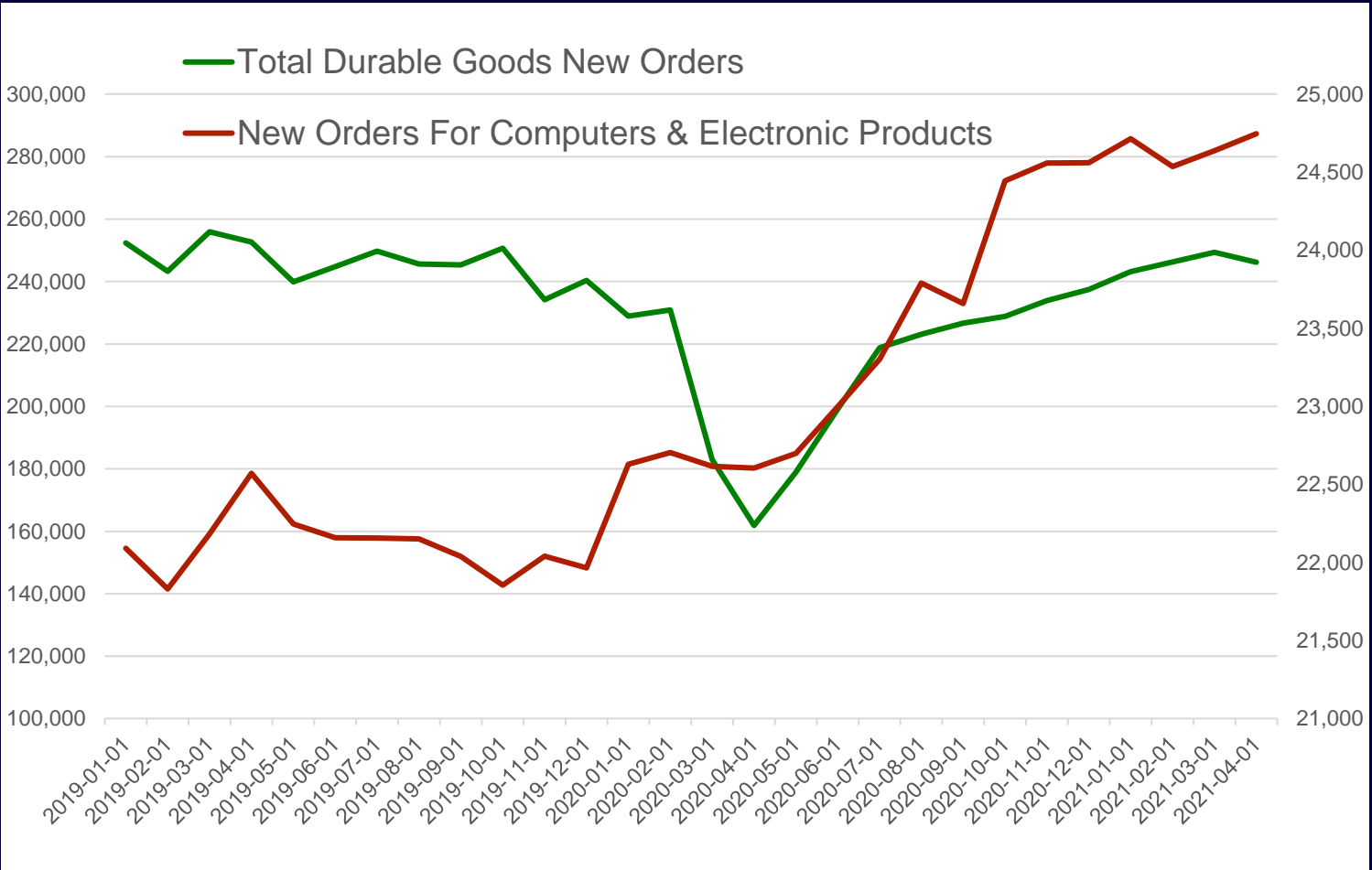
Personal Expenditures on Durables & Services (Monthly Sequential Growth)



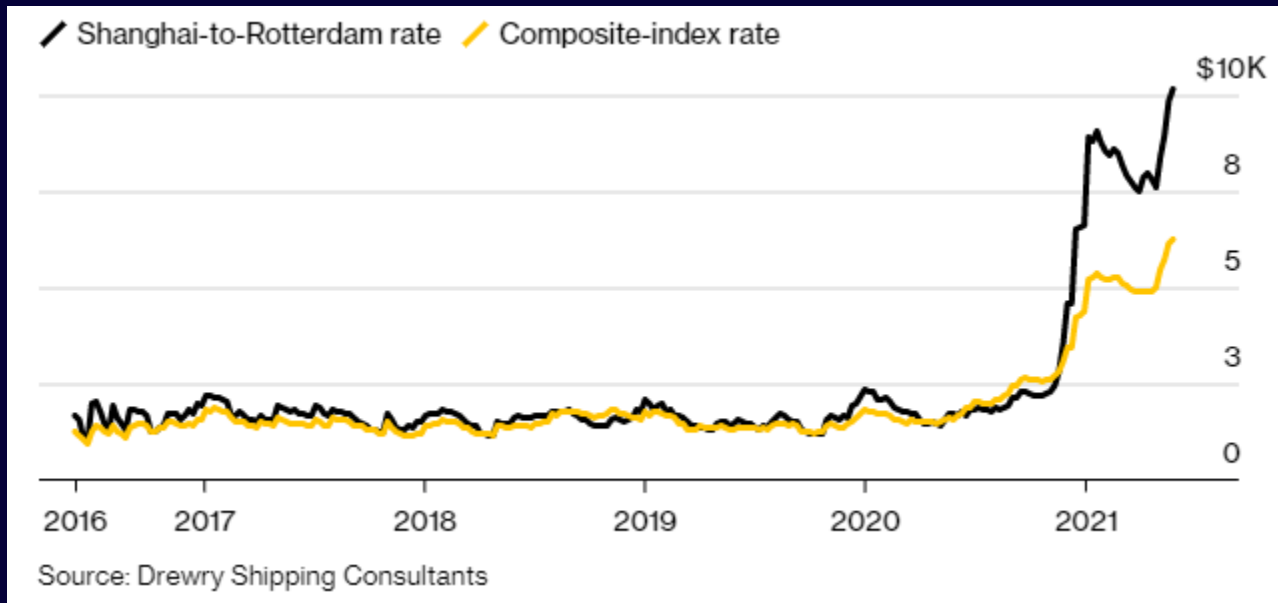
Source: BEA

New Orders For Electronics Products Continue To Outperform

\$ Millions

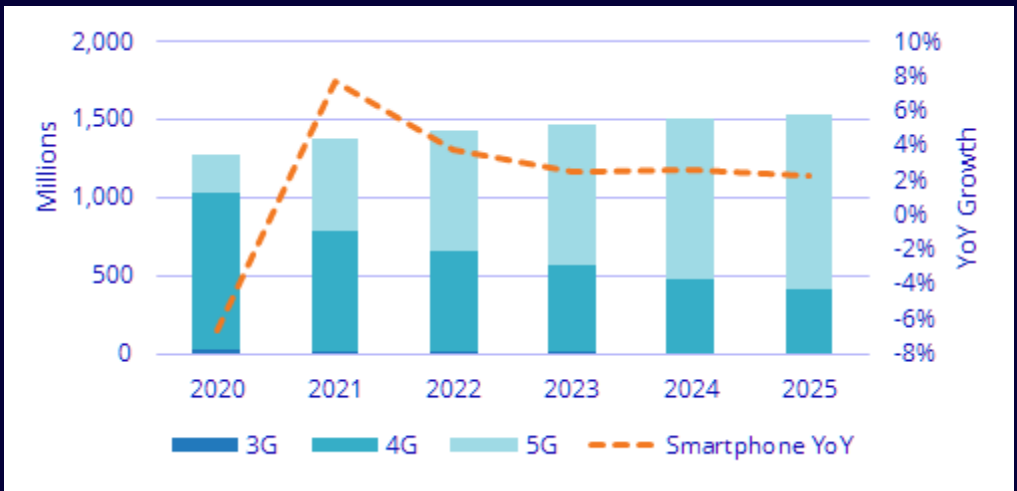


Container-Shipping Costs Soar To The Highest On Record



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Trends In North American EMS Book-to-Bill Ratio



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