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Special guest panelists



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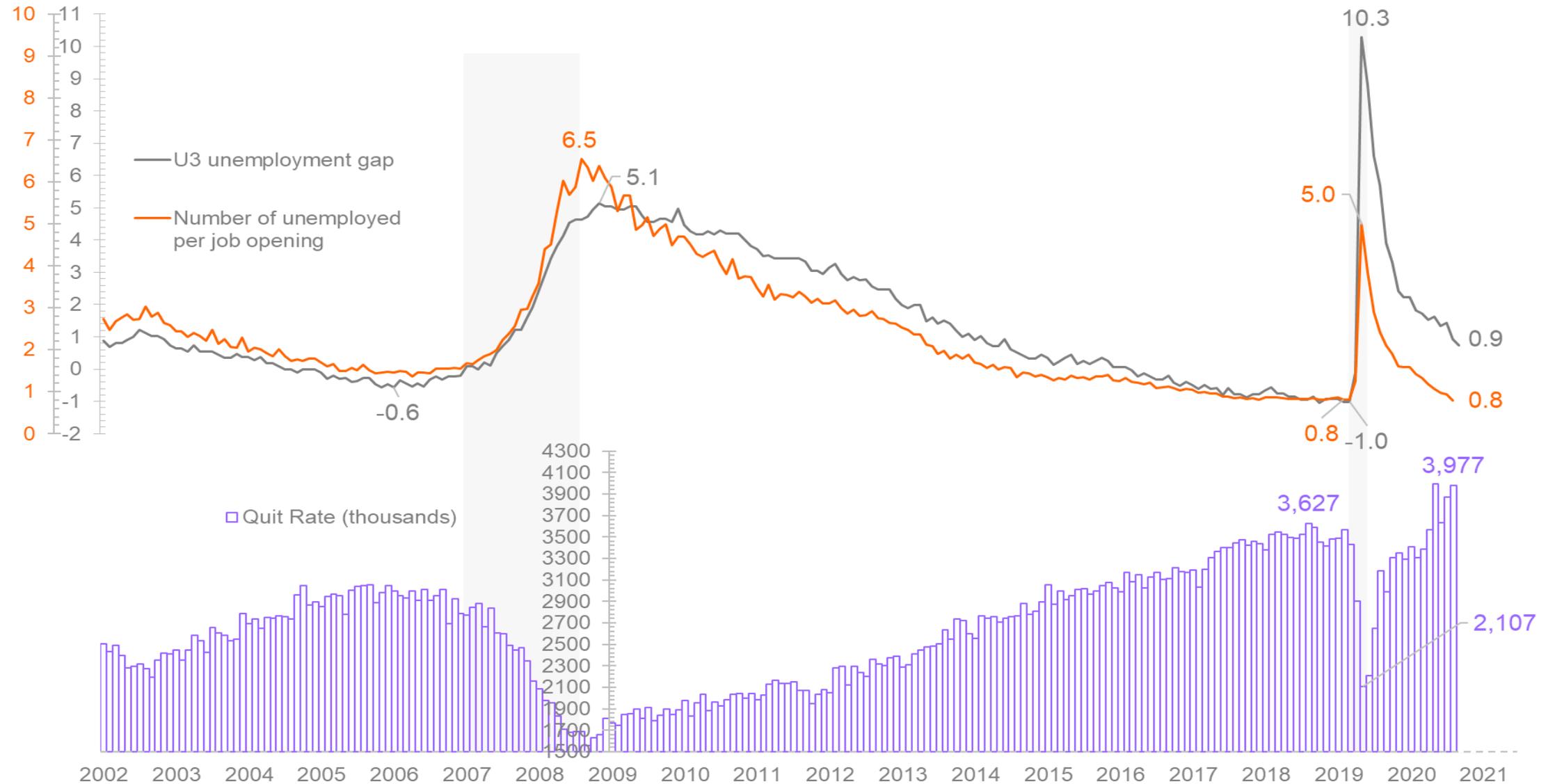
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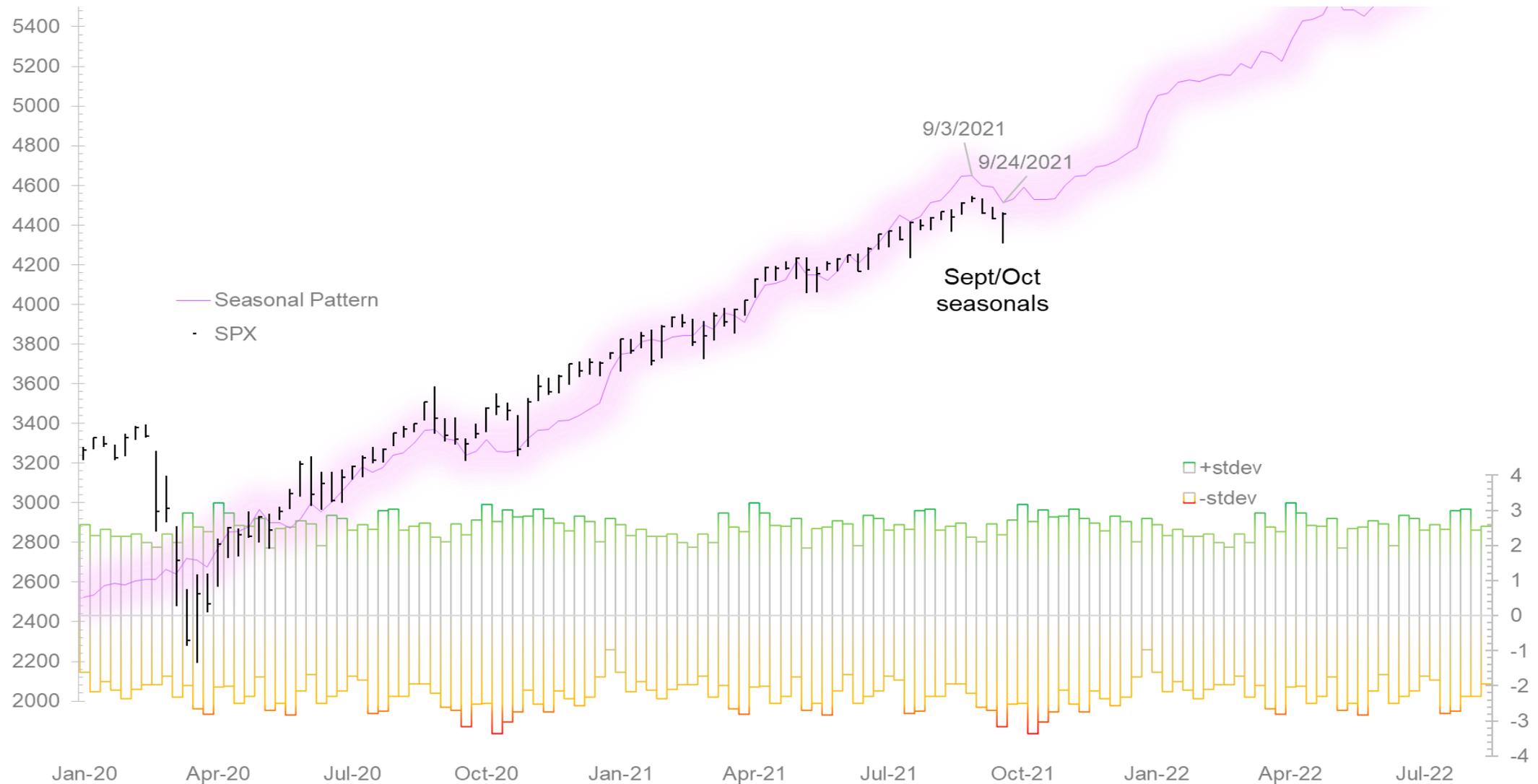
U.S. Employment



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Seasonal Pattern for U.S. Equities



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Know Your Employer's Policies

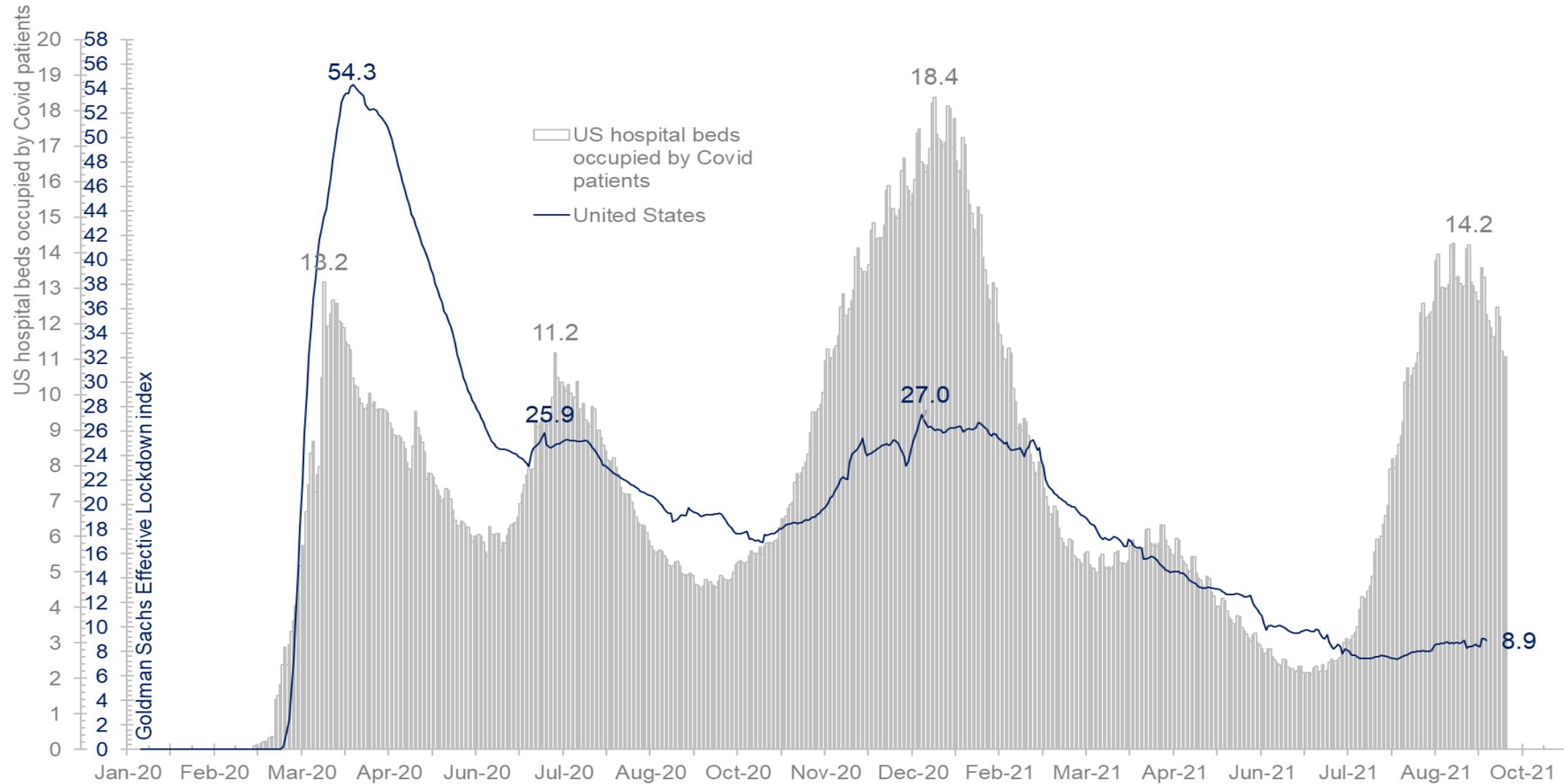
- Important dates
 - Bonus cutoff
 - Vesting for retirement plans
 - Stock options, profit sharing, etc.
- Vacation policy
 - Reimbursement? Use it or lose it?
- Health insurance
 - Plan to cover the gap between plans
- Other benefits
 - Will you have to repay signing bonus or relocation expenses?



What Happens to Old Accounts?

- Retirement accounts [401(k), 403(b), etc.]
 - Stay in plan
 - Rollover to new plan
 - Rollover to IRA
 - Cash out
- Health savings accounts (HSAs)
- Flexible spending accounts (FSAs)

U.S. Lockdown Index vs. Hospitalizations



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Additional disclosures for U.S. Lockdown Index vs. Hospitalizations

The Goldman Sachs Effective Lockdown Index combines two prominent measures of lockdowns and social distancing—the government response stringency index constructed at Oxford University and the Google global mobility reports—into an Effective Lockdown Index (ELI) which reflects both policy settings and on-the-ground behavior.

The government policy stringency index combines seven policy measures: 1) school closings, 2) workplace closings, 3) public event cancellations, 4) closure of public transportation, 5) public information campaigns, 6) internal movement restrictions and 7) international travel controls for over 73 countries. The daily policy stringency index ranges in value from 0 to 100, with higher values indicating more stringent policy.[2]

To help gauge the actual shift in behavior we also employ daily Google data on smartphone user behavior. For 131 geographies, Google reports the frequency of visits to workplaces, retail centers, public transportation, parks, and residences relative to a baseline period (an average of January 3-February 6).

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