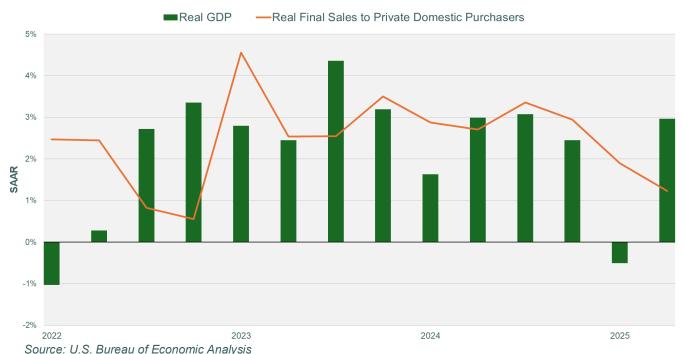
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Key Points:

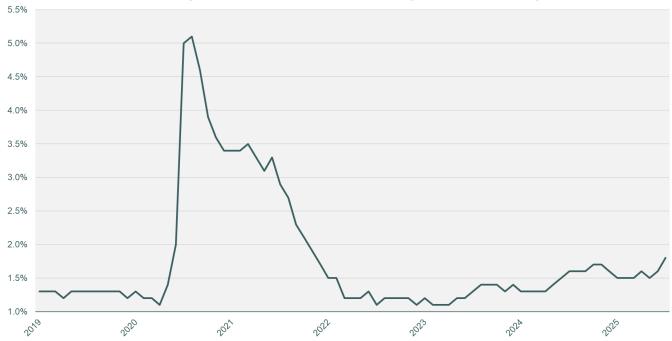
- Real <u>GDP growth</u> rebounded from a small Q1 contraction related to tariff front-running, growing at a 3.0% seasonally adjusted annualized rate.
 - Final sales to private domestic purchasers (FSPDP) which is equal to personal consumption plus private fixed investment remained relatively robust in Q1.
 - In Q2, FSPDP growth moderated, indicating some softening in private demand.

Real Growth Trends



- The headline unemployment rate rose to 4.2% in July.
 - U-1, an alternative measure that covers workers that are unemployed for 15 or more weeks, rose to the highest level since November 2021.
 - The U-1 rate rose significantly over the second half of 2024 and remains elevated relative to the 1.3% average rate seen over 2019.

U-1 (15+ Week Unemployment Rate)



Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

