

# Corporate Results Roundup Q1 2024

Recovery continues excluding commodity sectors  
but remains fragile and fragmented

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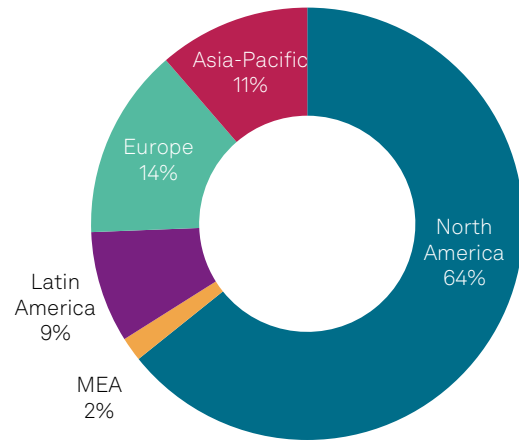
## Corporate results Q1 2024 | Key takeaways from results so far

- **The global Q1 2024 results season for rated nonfinancial corporates is two-thirds done**, with 64% of results in for investment-grade (IG) and 65% for speculative-grade (SG). North America is nearing completion with 86% of companies having reported. European results are 43% complete and Asia-Pacific (APAC) is 48% complete.
- **Global earnings are still declining.** Measured at an annual rate, global sales and EBITDA are down by 1.9% and 5.8%, respectively, both figures worse than last quarter. Revenues are down 1.4% versus the same quarter a year ago, and EBITDA down 0.6%.
- **The picture is more encouraging if volatile commodity components are excluded.** On that basis, revenues are up 1.7% annually and EBITDA up 1.9%. The degree to which results have beaten market expectations has also moved up sharply, with 29% of EBITDA figures delivering a big beat, versus 12% seeing a big miss.
- **Results overall can be characterized as fragile and fragmented**, with marked regional and industry differences. Europe still appears to be struggling the most. Industrial cyclicals are still under pressure, while positive global industry growth concentrated in leisure-related consumer sectors, technology, healthcare, and aerospace and defense. Margin pressure is still apparent in one-third of sectors.
- **Regional and sector differences are also apparent in transcript and investor presentation sentiment analysis.** Sentiment remains most positive in North America. At an industry level sentiment remains subdued for most European industries; whereas two-thirds of North America industries have positive median scores.
- **Companies are exhibiting caution with cash, while interest rate pressures may be peaking.** Dividend growth has turned negative and capital expenditure appears to be slowing sharply. Cash interest payments are still rising sharply, up 19% annually based on current results, but the rate of increase is showing signs of moderating across all regions.

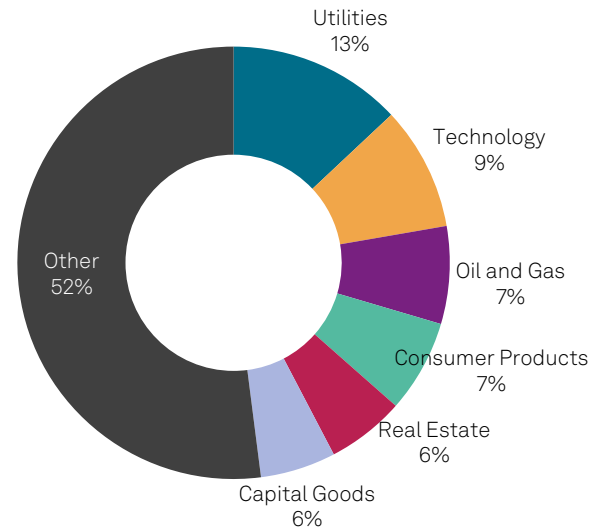
# Global

# Rated nonfinancial corporates | Companies reported so far by geography industry and ratings group, Q1 2024

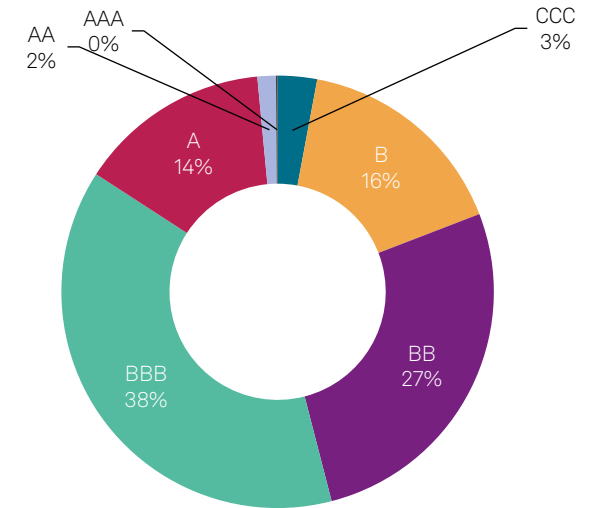
Share of reported results by geography



Share of reported results by industry



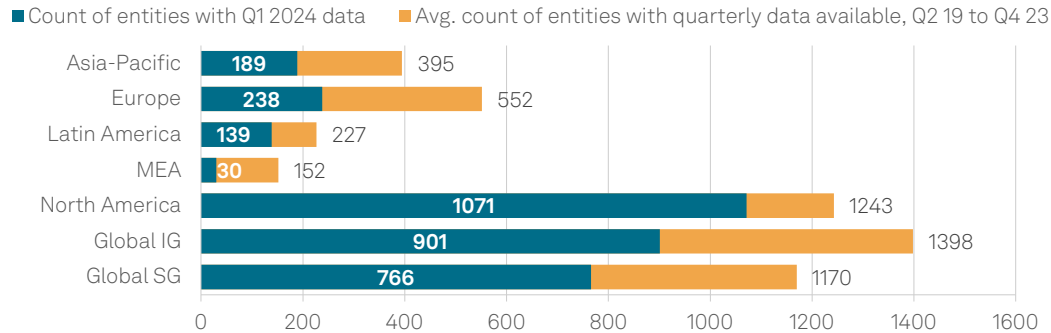
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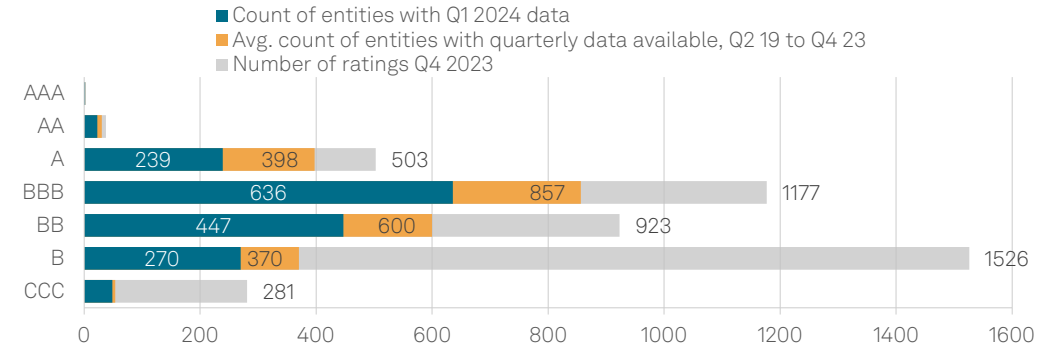
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# Rated nonfinancial corporates | Number of companies reported so far by geography and ratings, Q1 2024

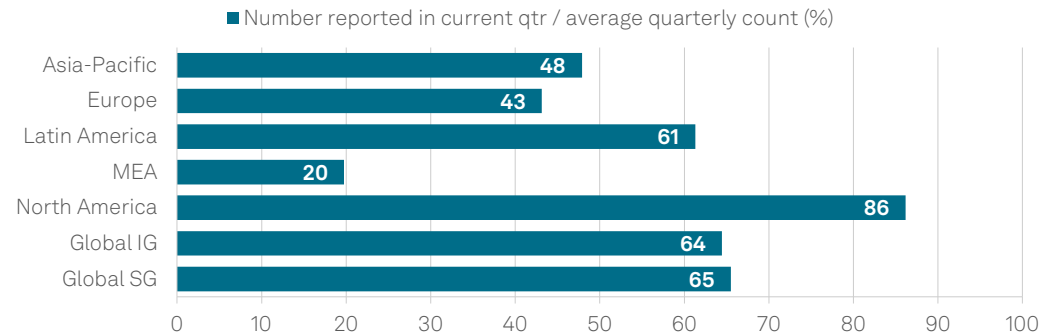
## Number of reported results by geography



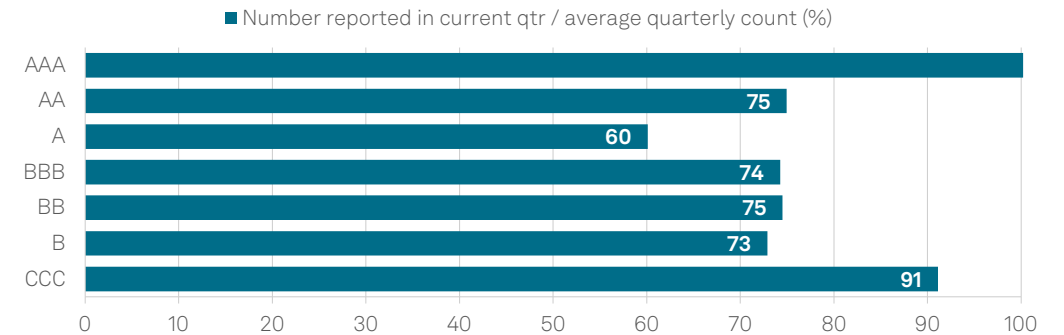
## Number of reported results by rating



## Reported results as percent of average quarterly total



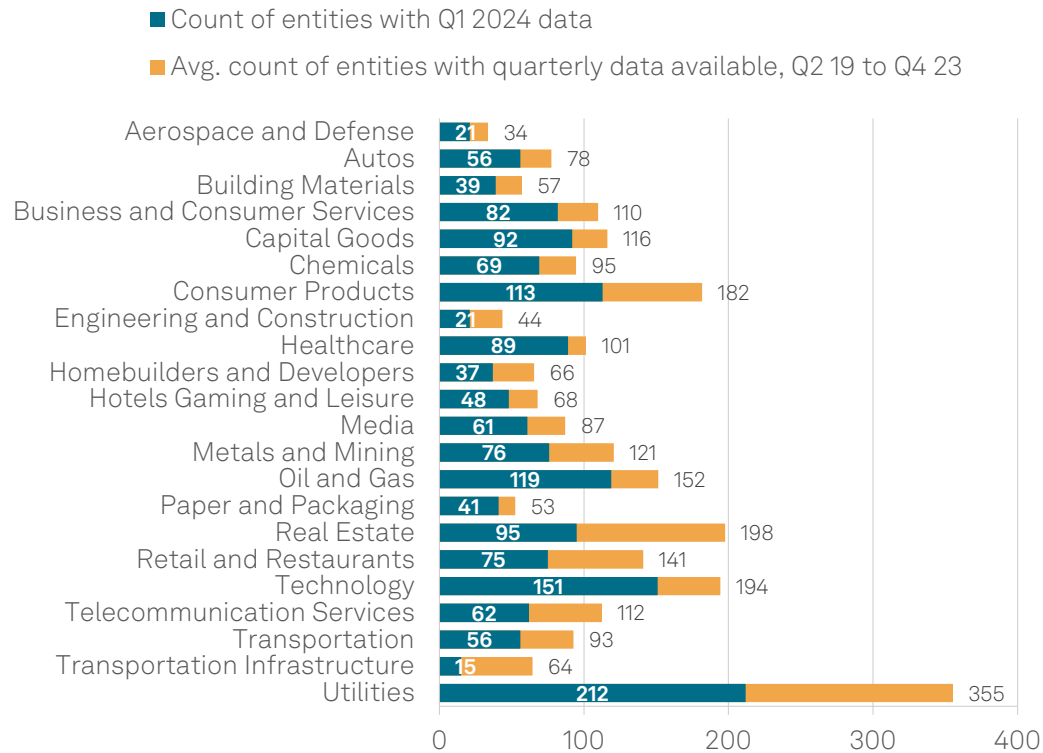
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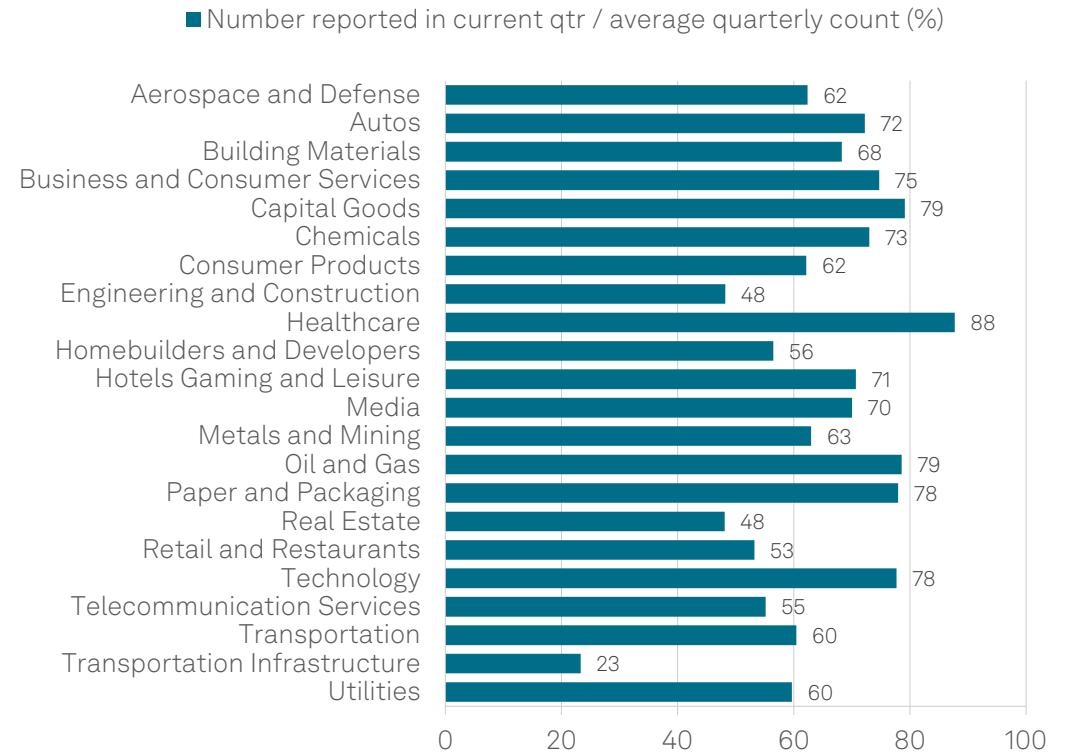
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# Rated nonfinancial corporates | Number of companies reported so far by industry, Q1 2024

## Number of reported results by industry



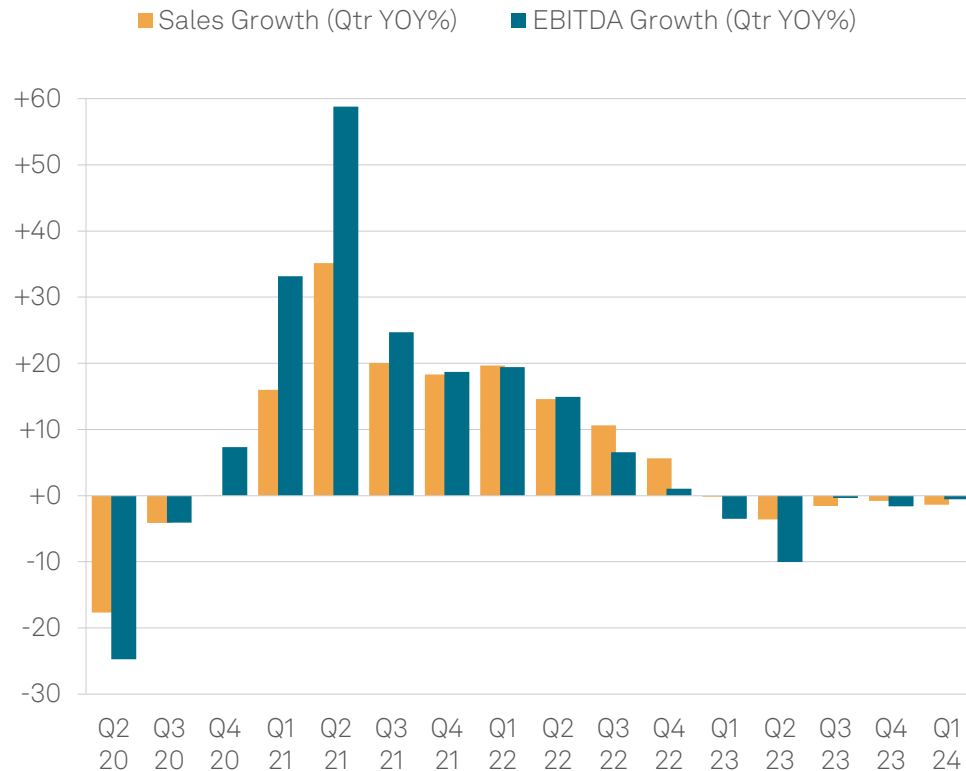
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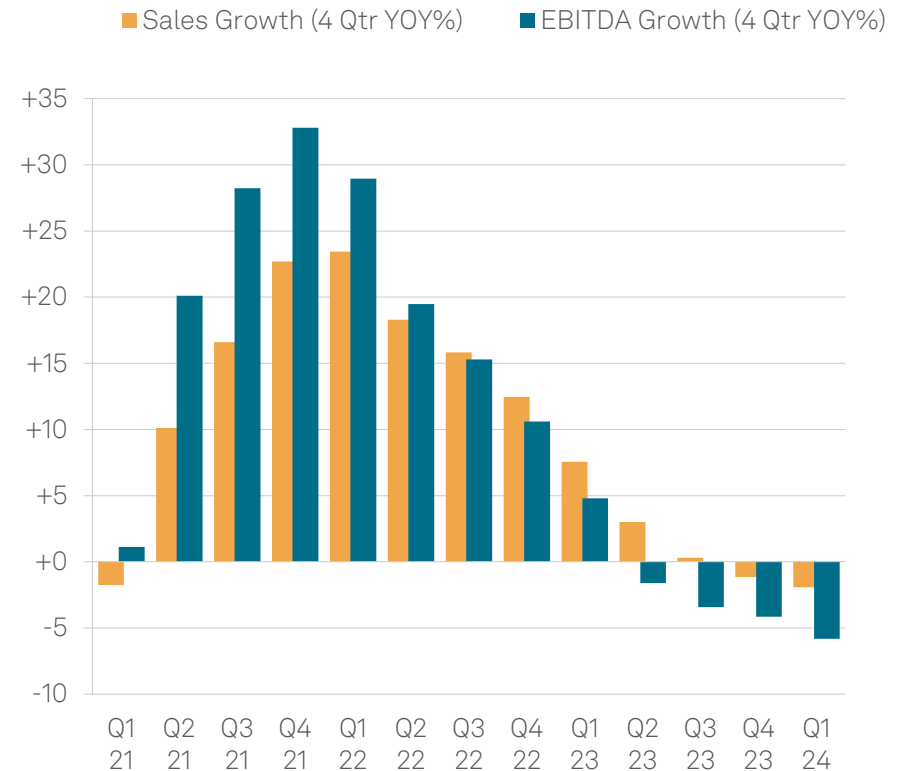
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# Rated nonfinancial corporates | Sales and EBITDA growth\*

## Global | Quarterly, Year-Over-Year



## Global | Trailing 4 Quarter, Year-Over-Year



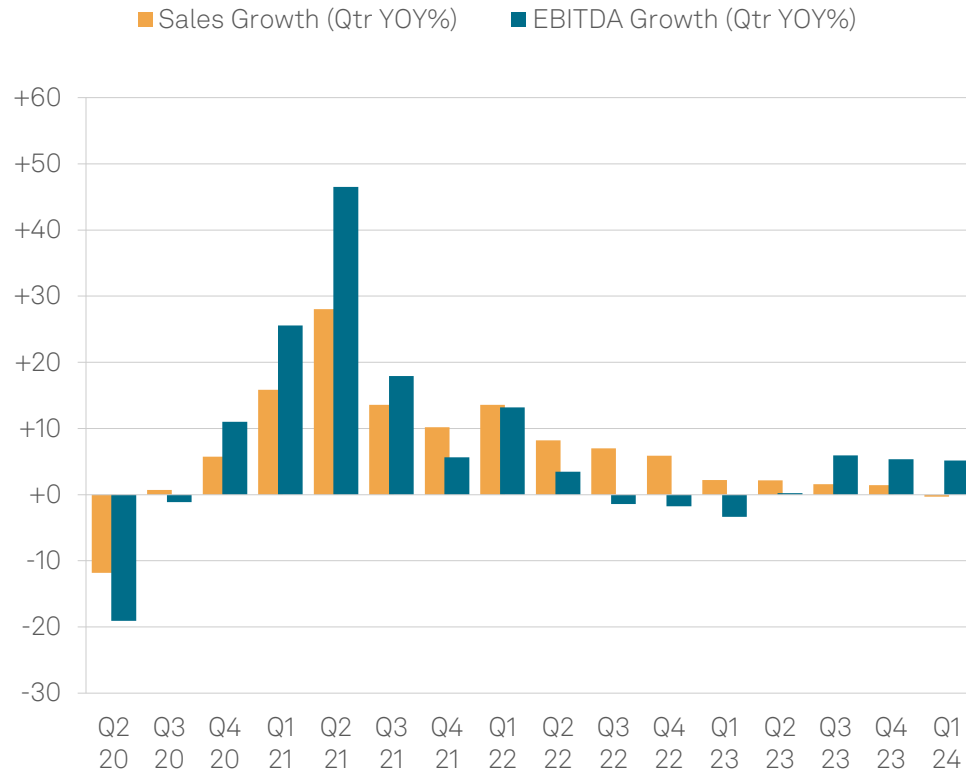
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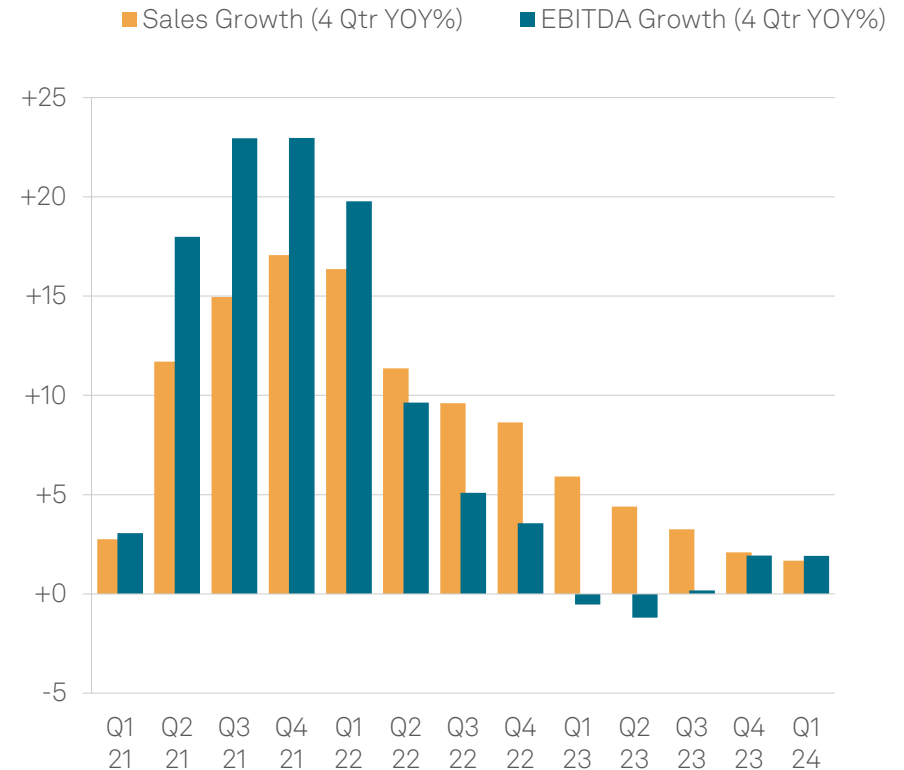


# Rated nonfinancial corporates | Sales and EBITDA growth\*

## Global Ex Oil and Mining | Quarterly, Year-Over-Year



## Global Ex Oil and Mining | Trailing 4 Qtr, Year-Over-Year

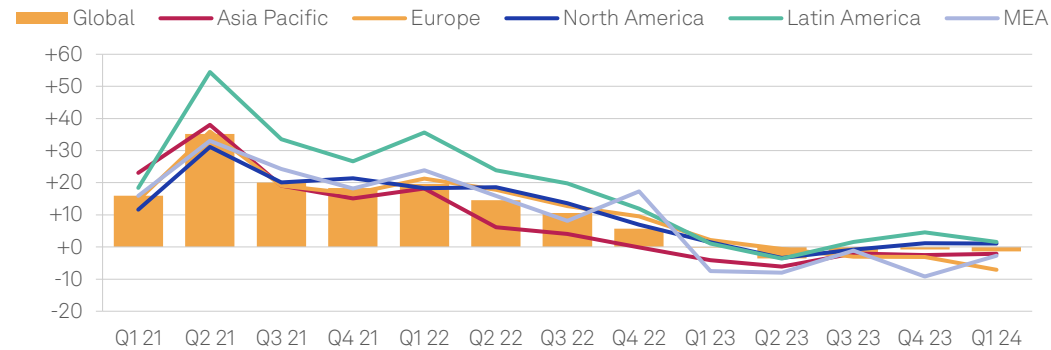


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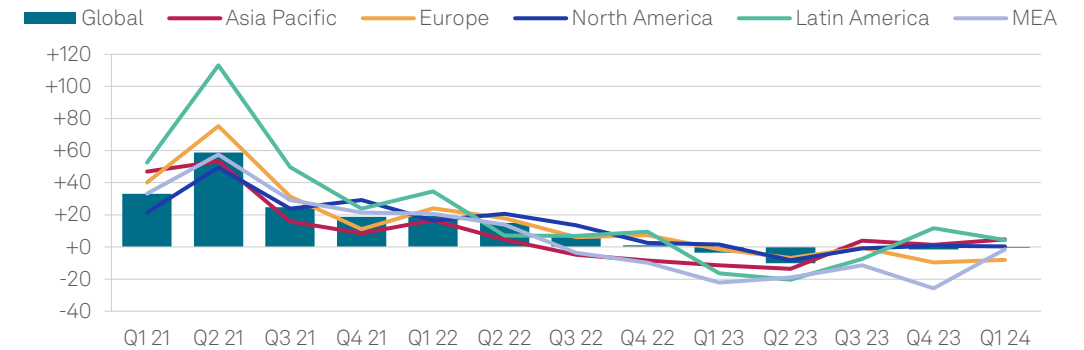
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# Rated nonfinancial corporates | Sales and EBITDA growth by region\*

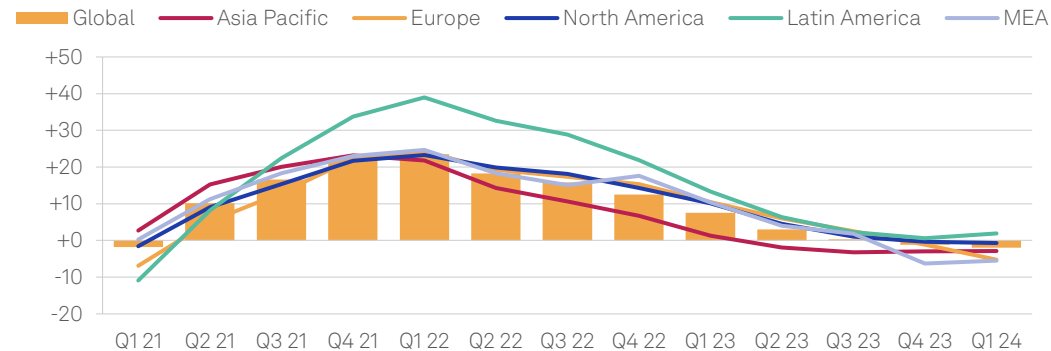
## Sales Growth | Quarterly, Year-Over-Year



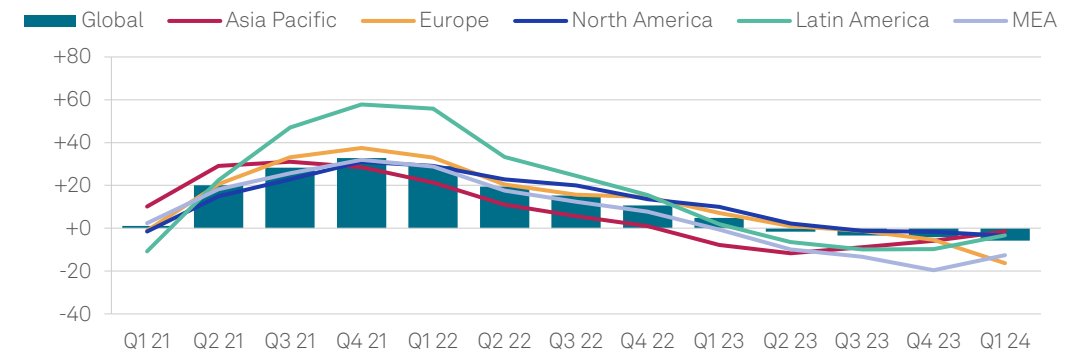
## EBITDA Growth | Quarterly, Year-Over-Year



## Sales Growth | Trailing 4 Quarter, Year-Over-Year



## EBITDA Growth | Trailing 4 Quarter, Year-Over-Year

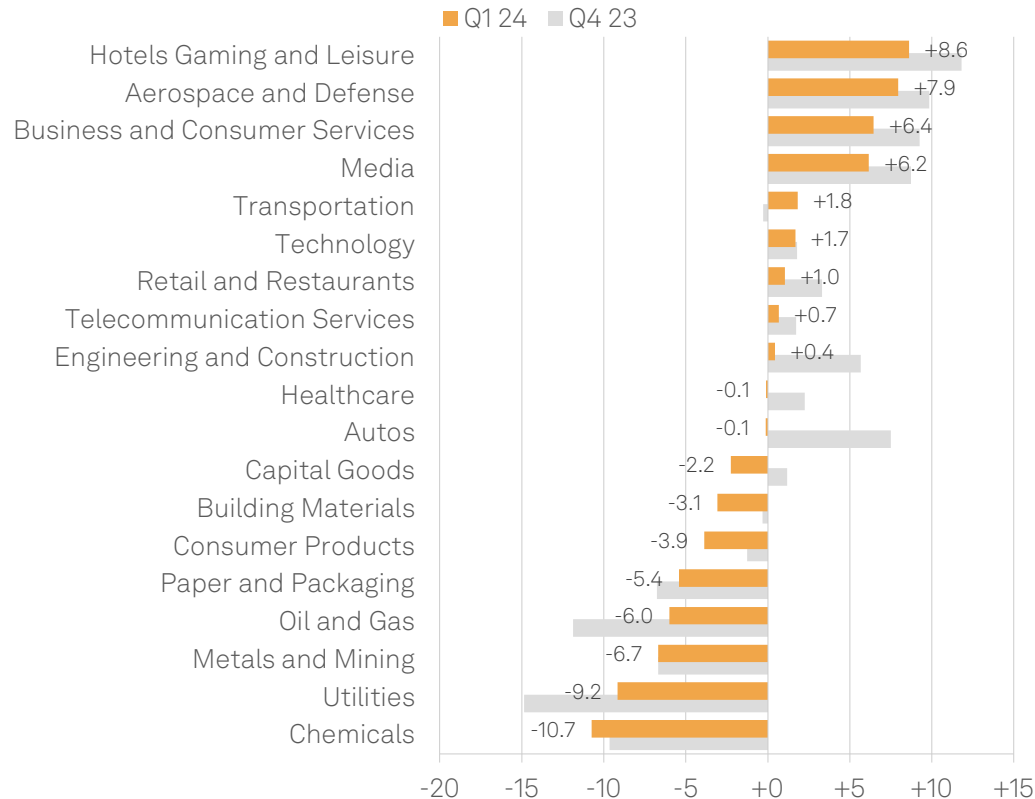


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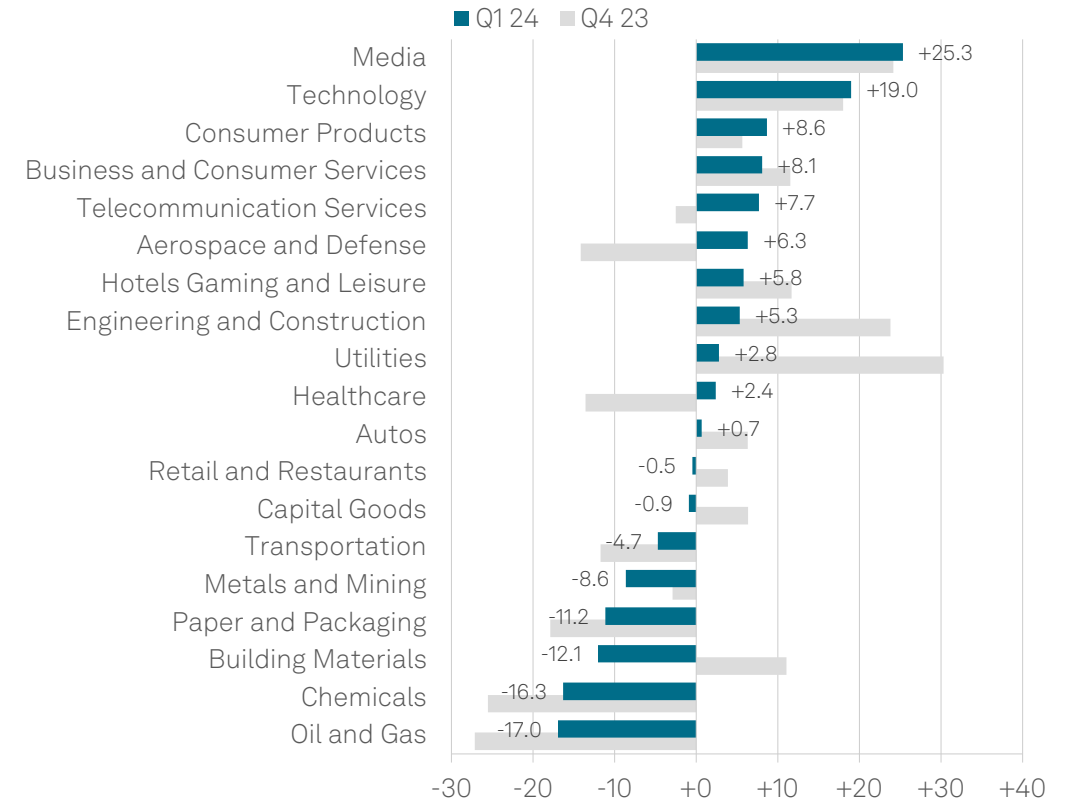
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# Rated nonfinancial corporates | Global industry growth\*

## Sales Growth | Quarterly, Year-Over-Year



## EBITDA Growth | Quarterly, Year-Over-Year

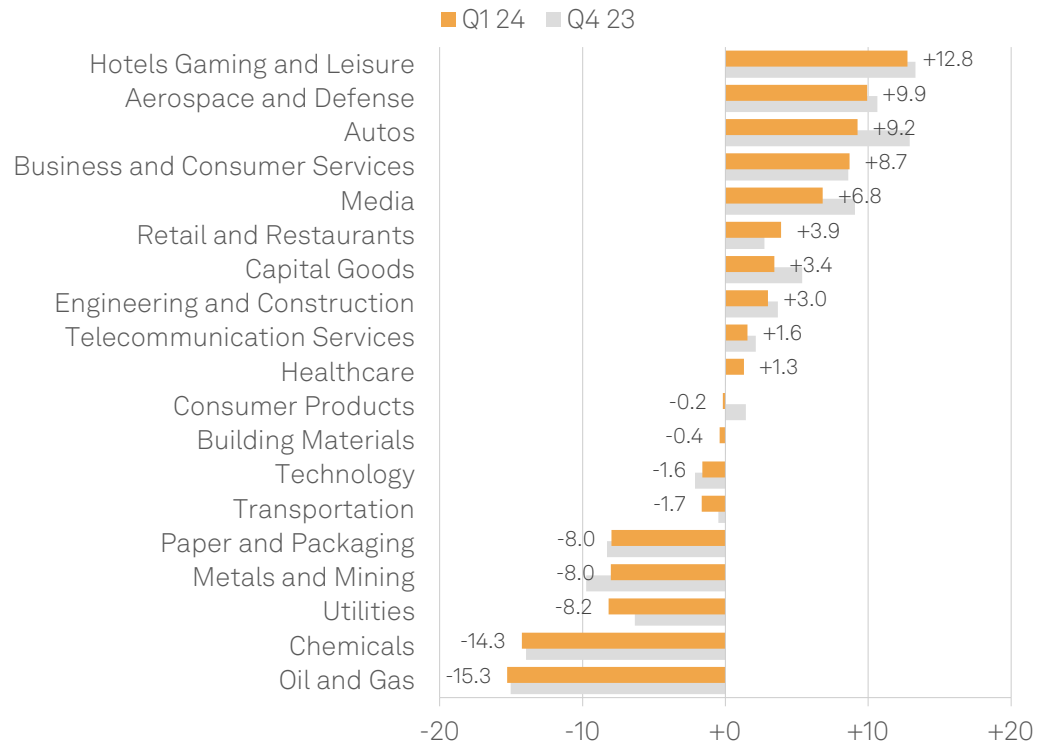


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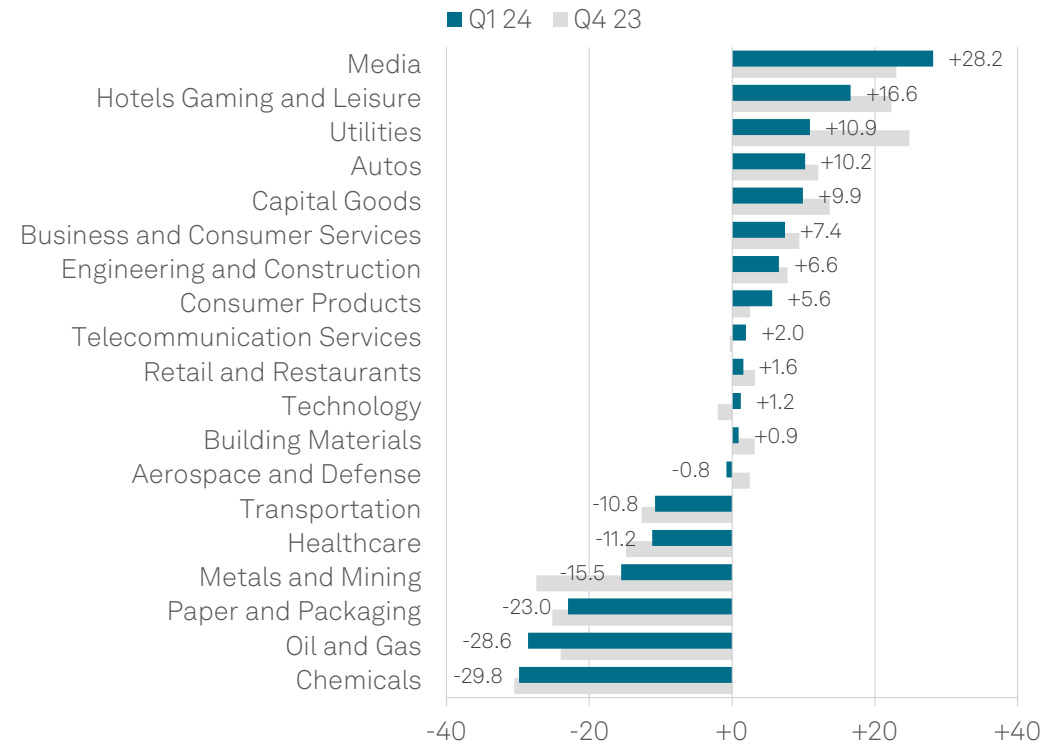
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# Rated nonfinancial corporates | Global industry growth\*

## Sales Growth | Trailing 4 Quarter, Year-Over-Year



## EBITDA Growth | Trailing 4 Quarter, Year-Over-Year

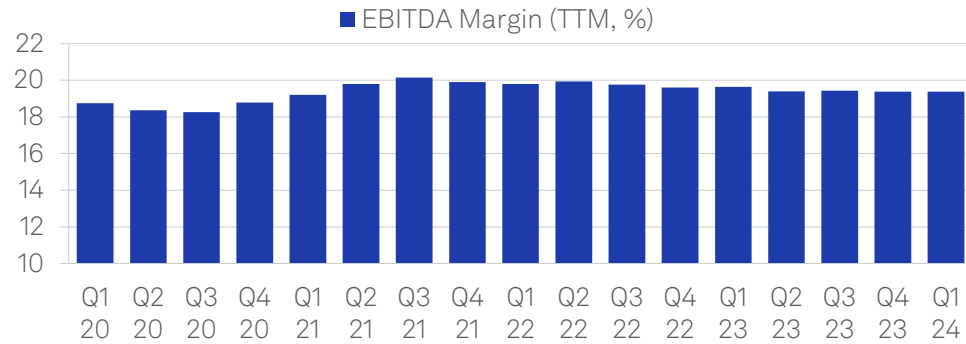


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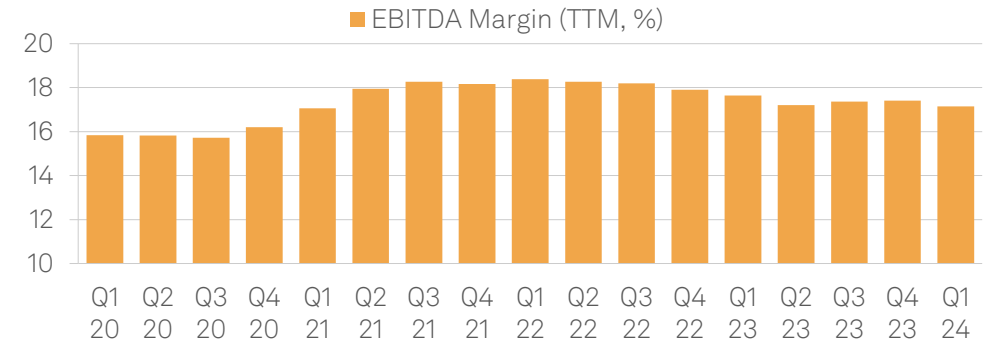
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# Rated nonfinancial corporates | EBITDA margin by region\*

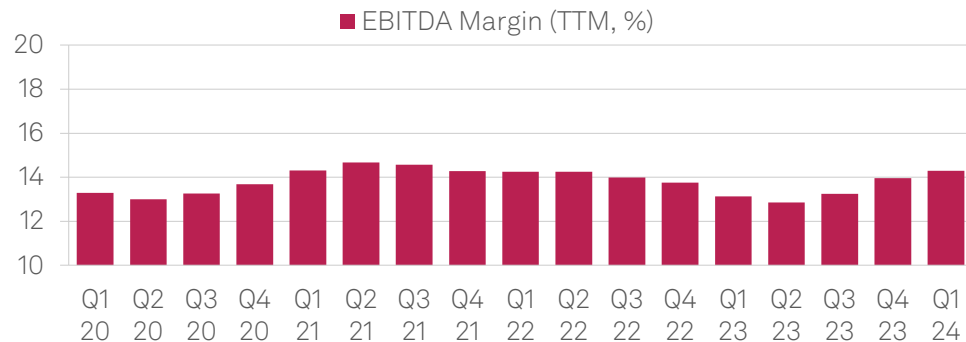
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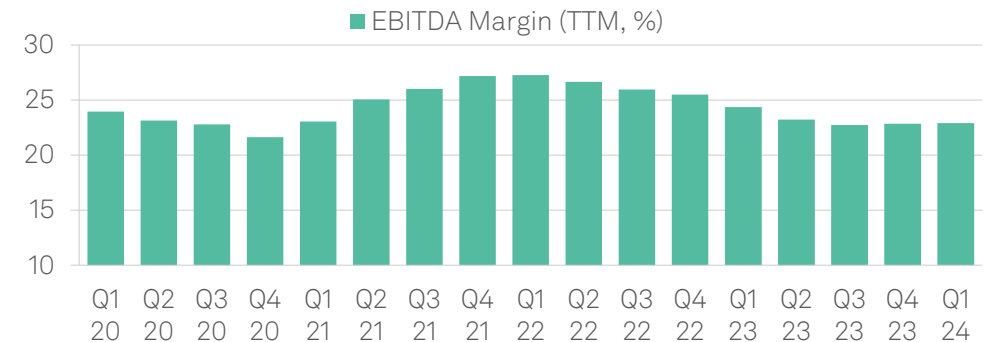
## Europe | EBITDA Margin Trailing 12 Month



## Asia Pacific | EBITDA Margin Trailing 12 Month



## Latin America | EBITDA Margin Trailing 12 Month

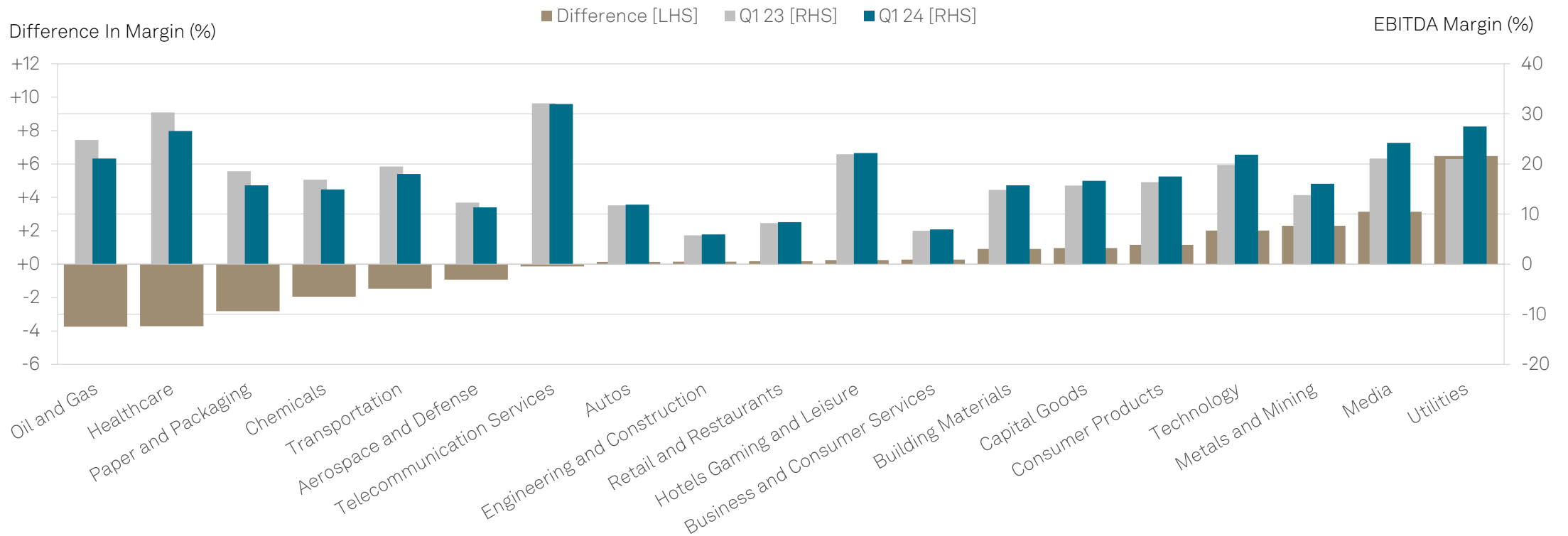


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# Rated nonfinancial corporates | EBITDA margin by industry\*

EBITDA Margin Trailing 12 Month – Q1 2024 versus Q1 2023

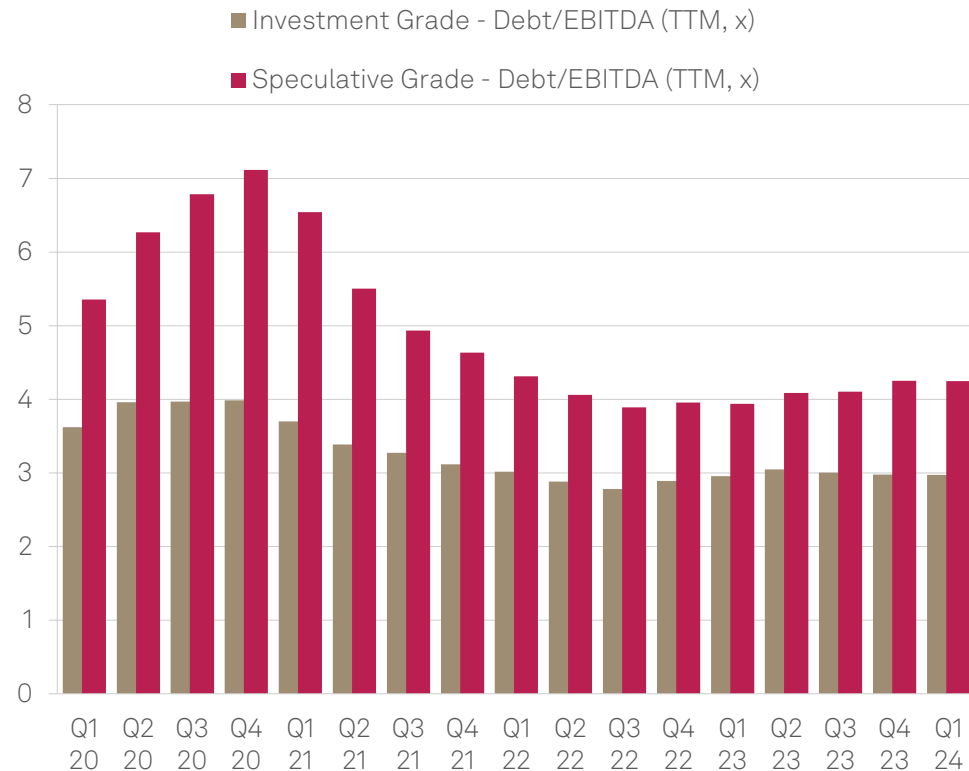


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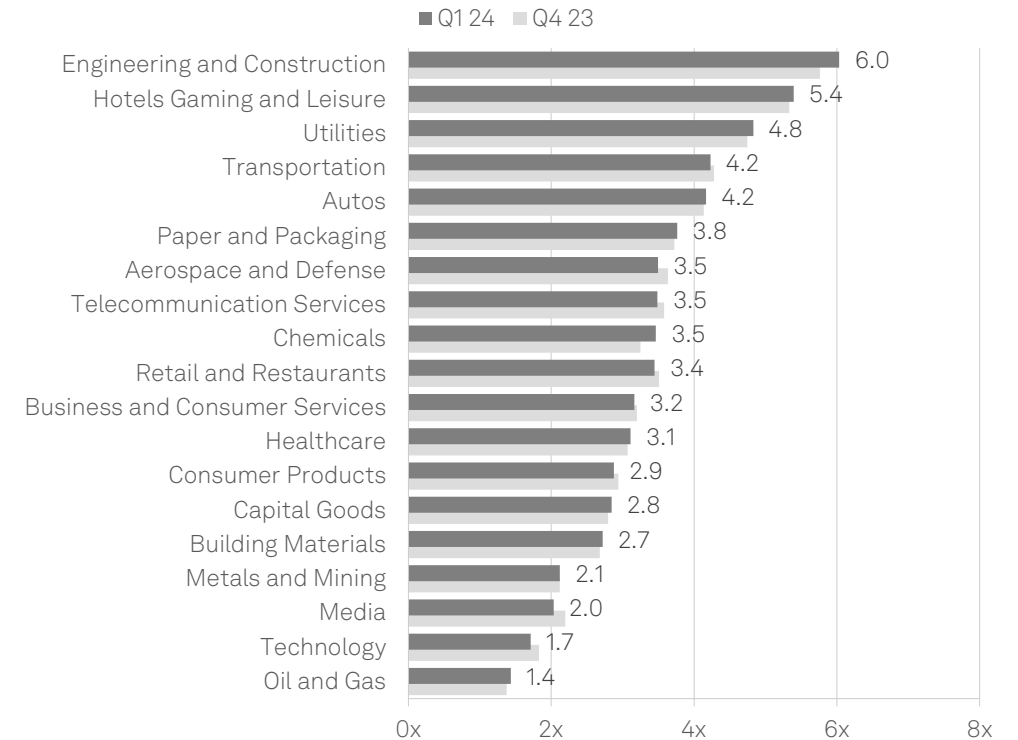
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# Rated nonfinancial corporates | Debt/EBITDA\*

## Global Debt/EBITDA | Trailing 12 Month



## Global Industry Debt/EBITDA | Trailing 12 Month

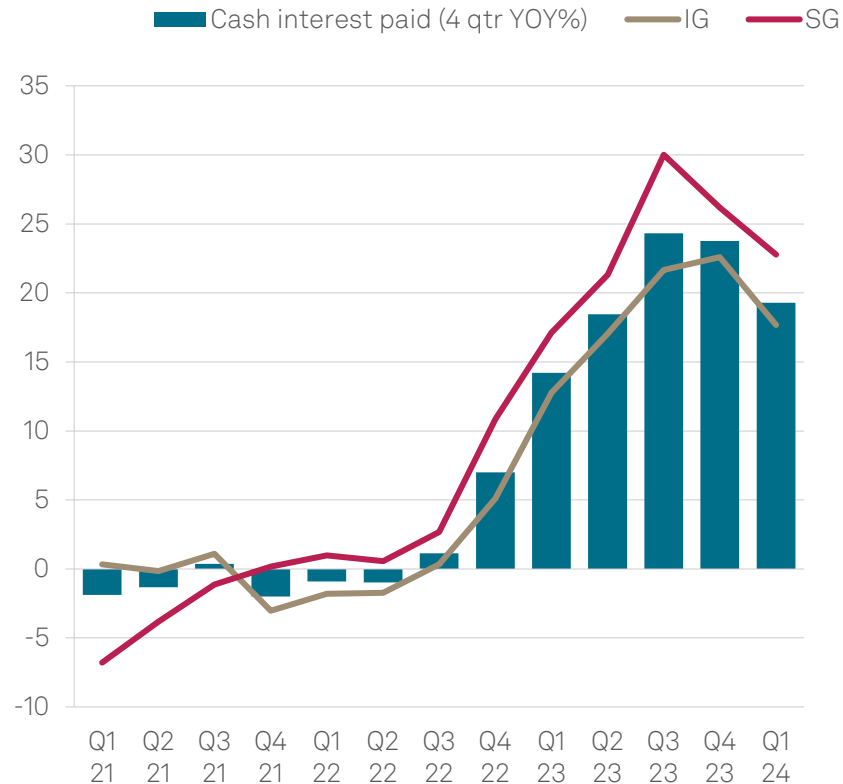


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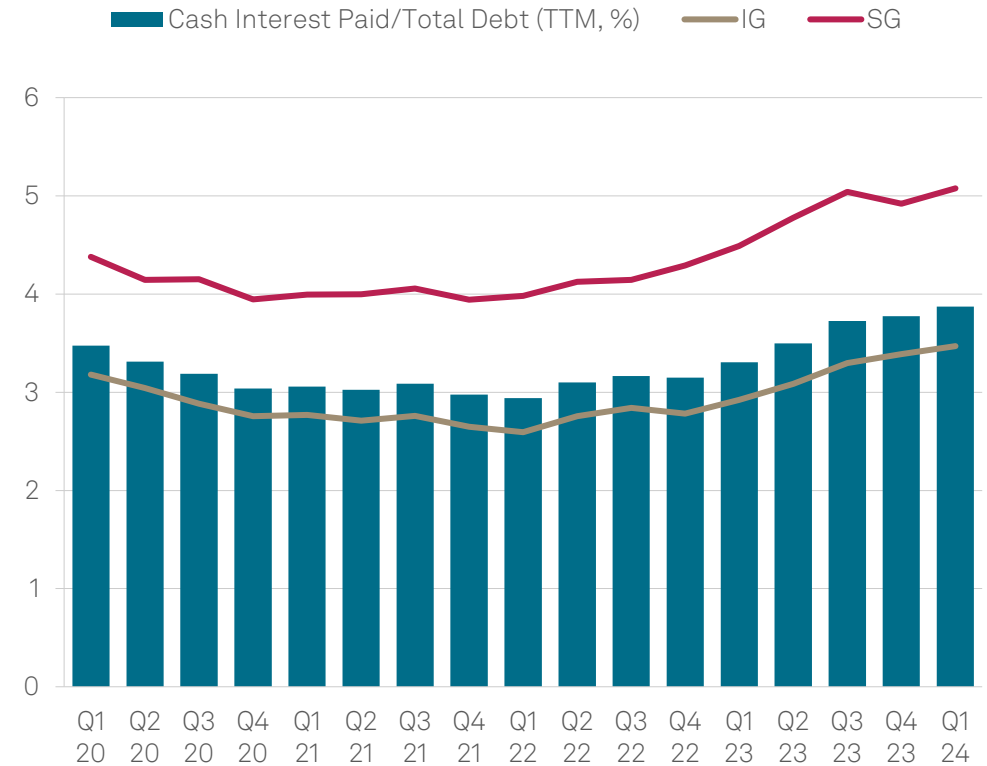
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# Rated nonfinancial corporates | Cash interest paid\*

## Global | Cash Interest Paid, Trailing 4 Quarter, YOY



## Global | Cash Interest Paid/Total Debt, Trailing 12 Month



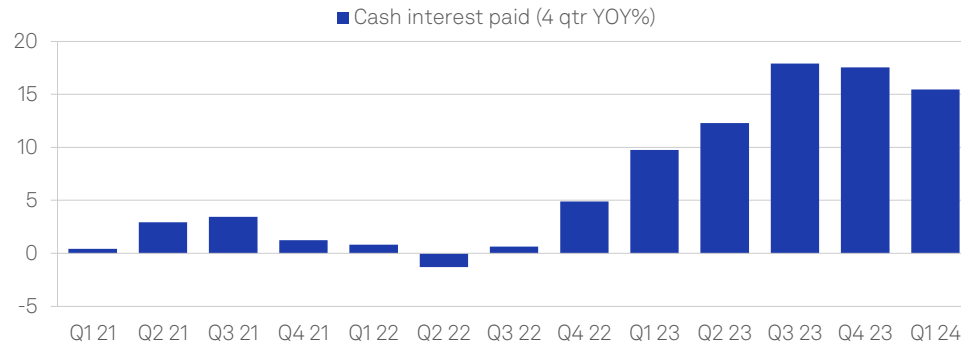
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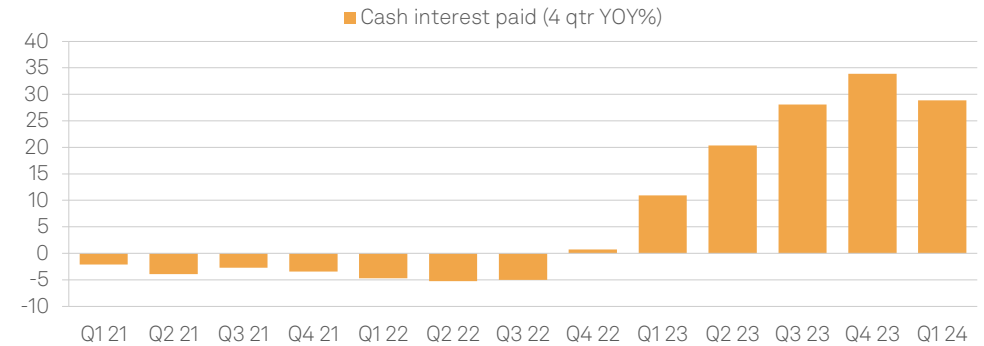


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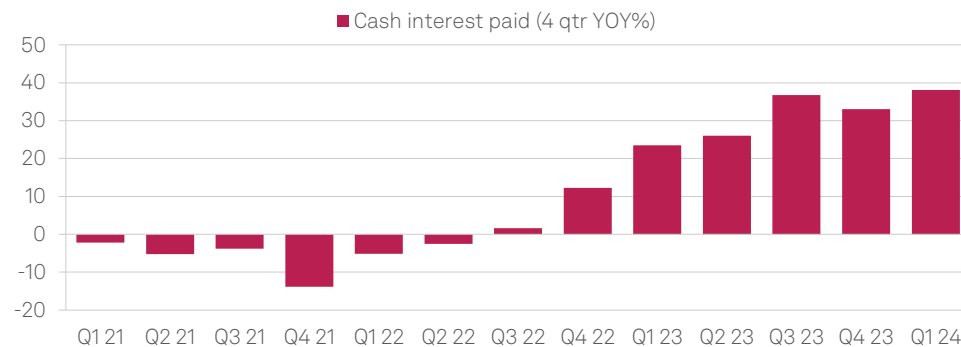
## North America | Cash Interest Paid, Trailing 4 Quarter, YOY



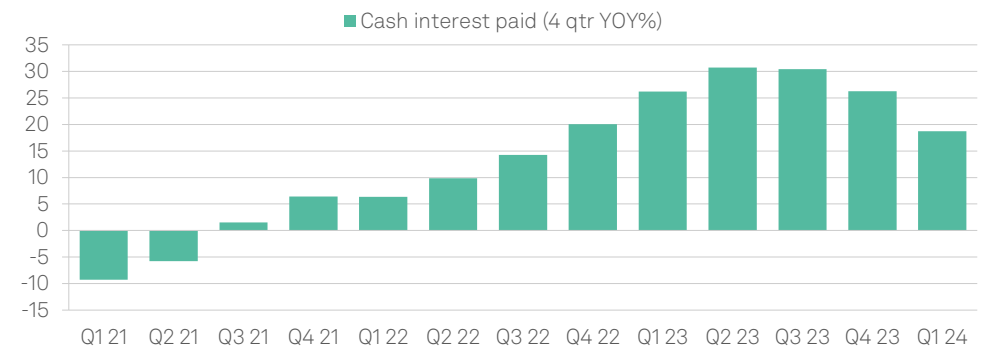
## Europe | Cash Interest Paid, Trailing 4 Quarter, YOY



## Asia Pacific | Cash Interest Paid, Trailing 4 Quarter, YOY



## Latin America | Cash Interest Paid, Trailing 4 Quarter, YOY

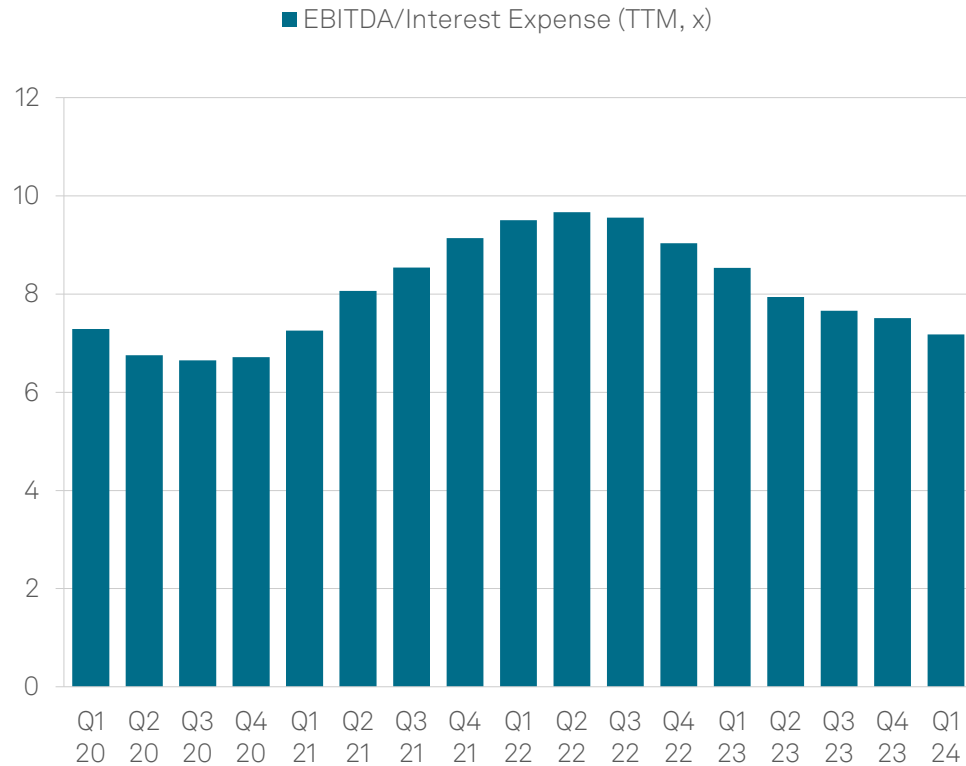


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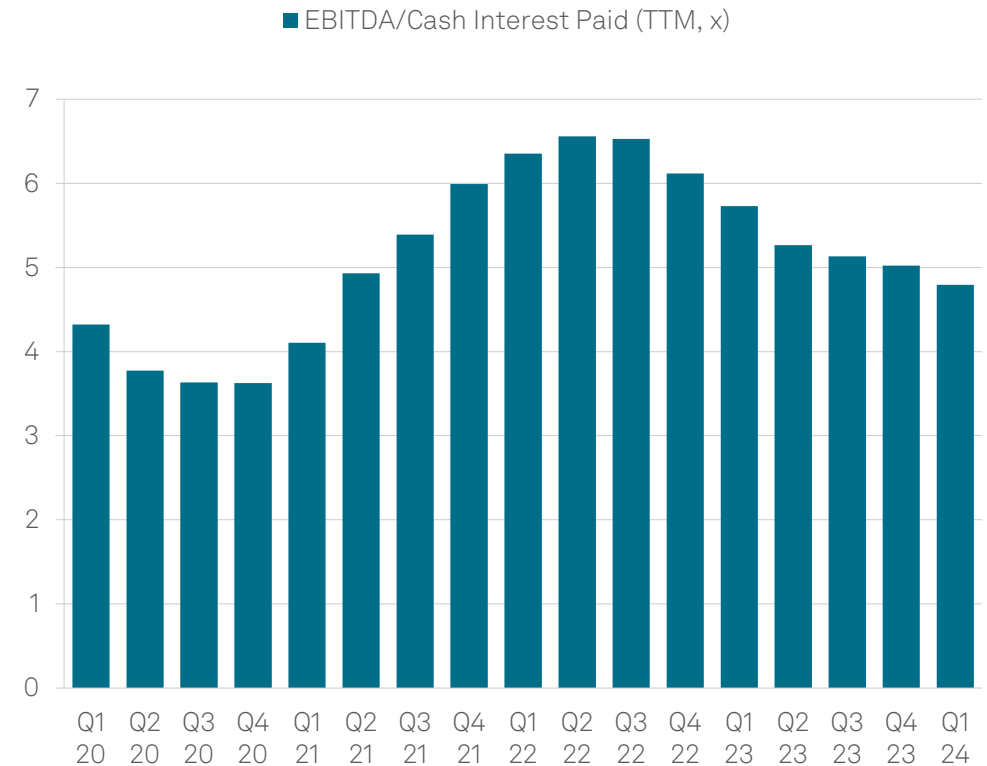
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# Rated nonfinancial corporates | Interest coverage\*

Global | EBITDA/Interest Expense, Trailing 12 Month



Global | EBITDA/Cash Interest Paid, Trailing 12 Month

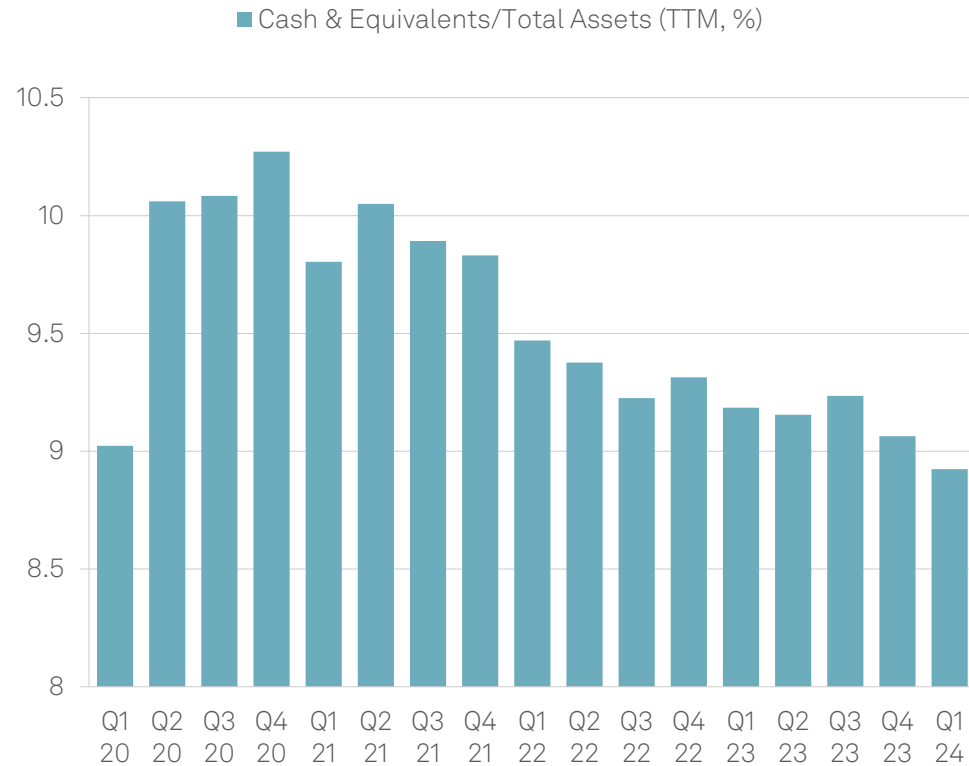


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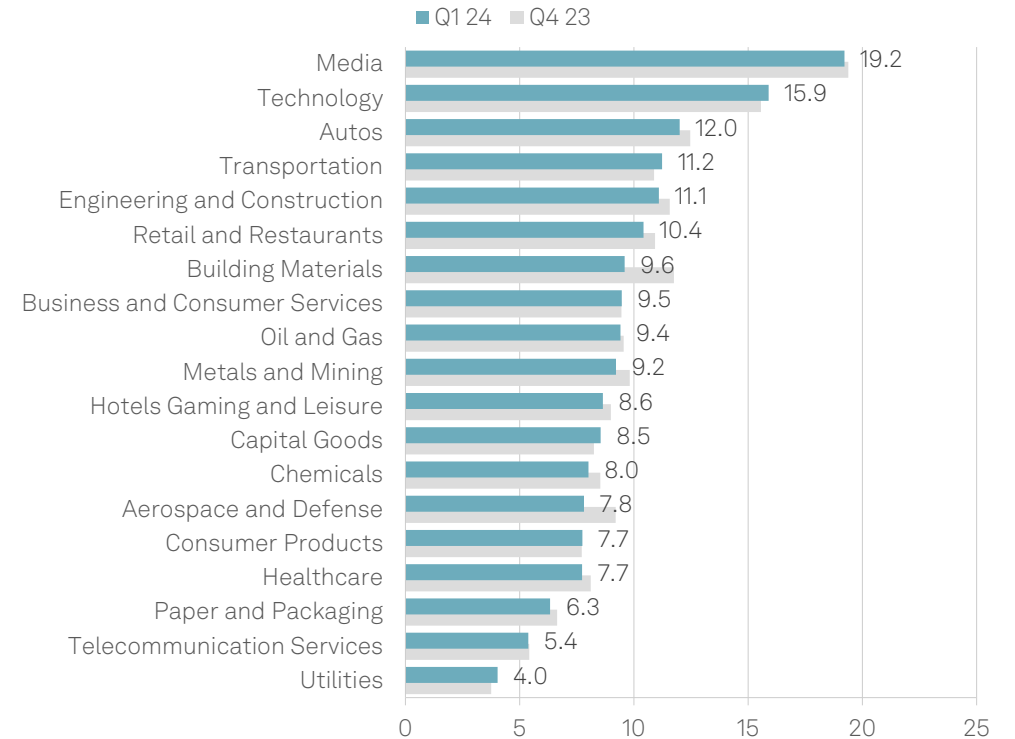
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# Rated nonfinancial corporates | Cash and equivalents/total assets\*

## Global Cash/Assets | Trailing 12 Month



## Global Industry Cash/Assets | Trailing 12 Month

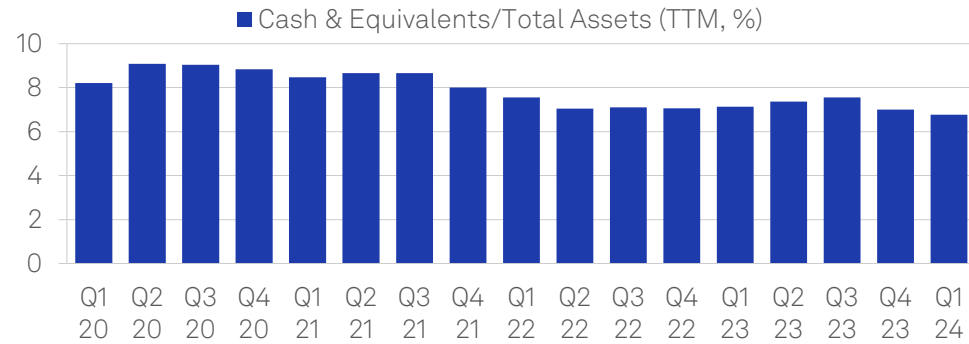


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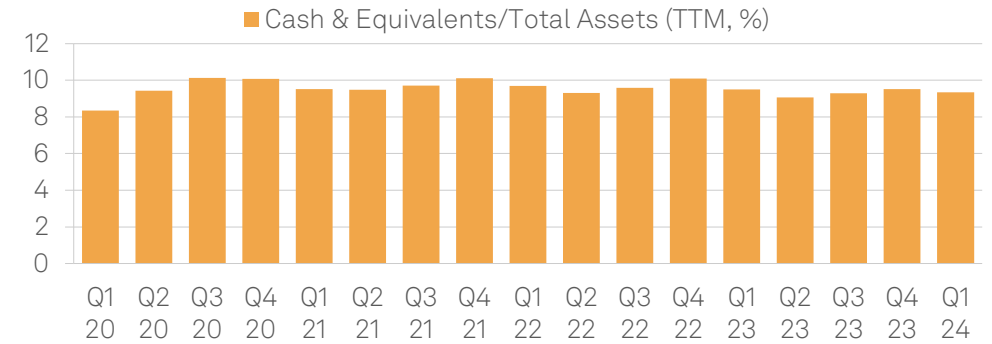
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# Rated nonfinancial corporates | Cash and equivalents/total assets by region\*

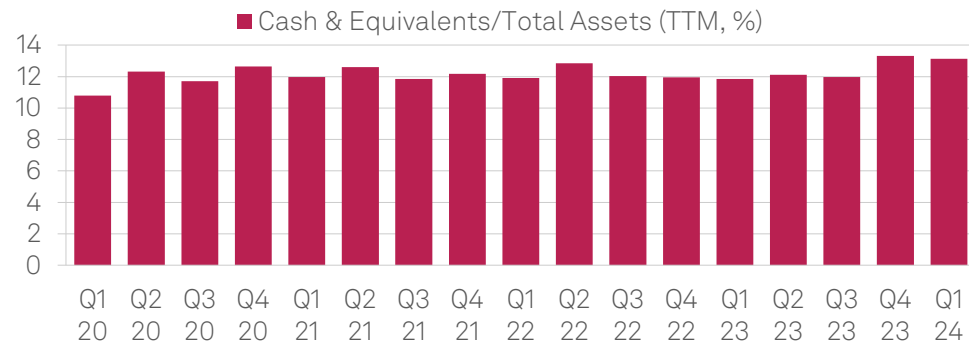
## North America | Cash/total assets, trailing 12 month



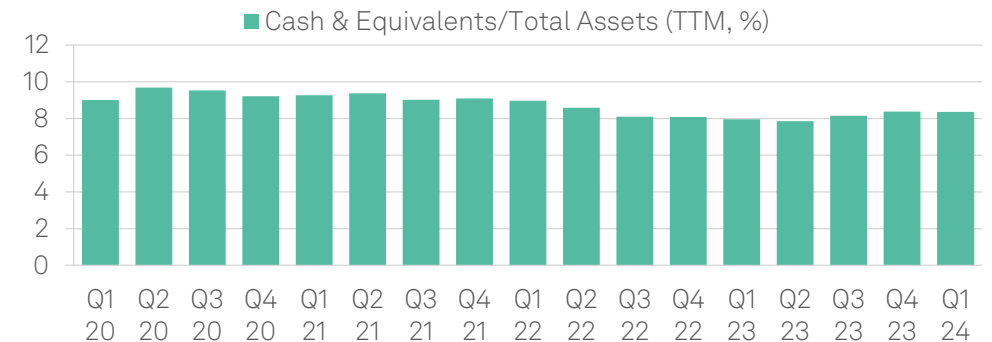
## Europe | Cash/total assets, trailing 12 month



## Asia Pacific | Cash/total assets, trailing 12 month



## Latin America | Cash/total assets, trailing 12 month

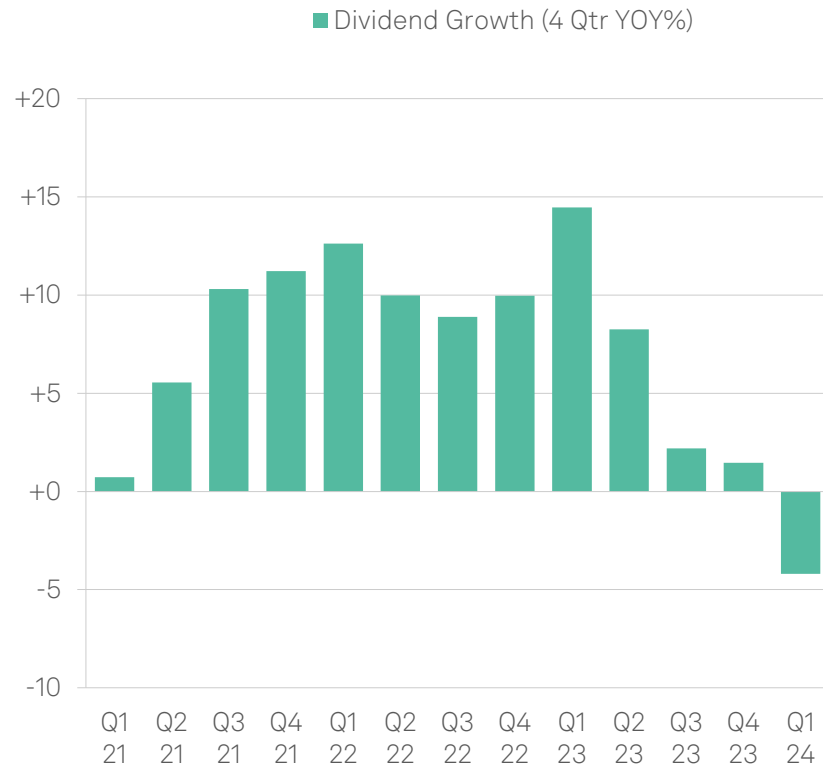


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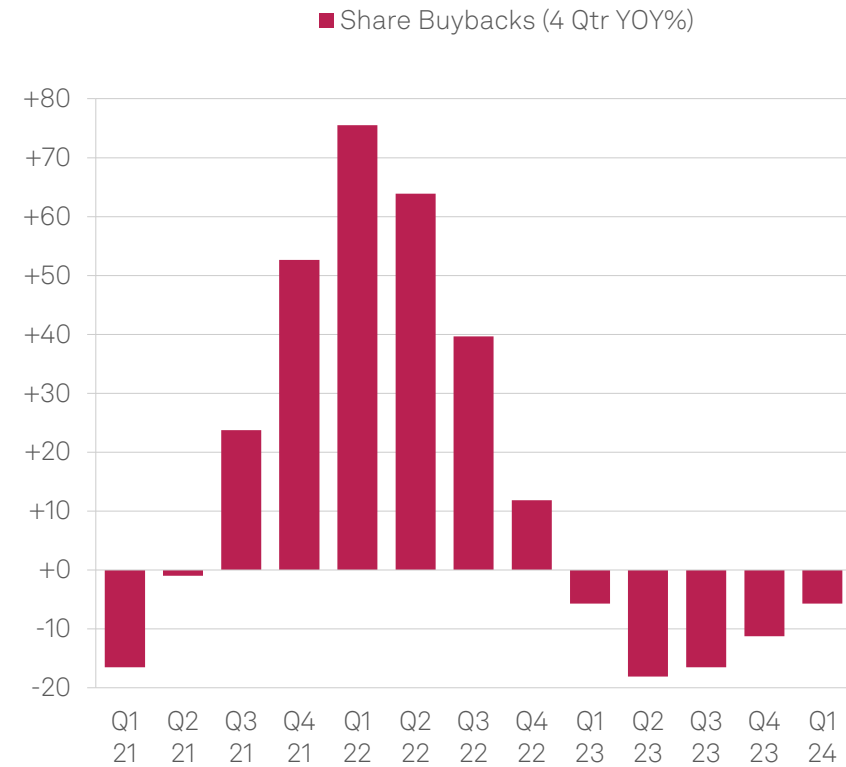
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# Rated nonfinancial corporates | Shareholder returns\*

## Global Dividend Growth | Trailing 4 Quarter, YOY



## Global Share Buyback Growth | Trailing 4 Quarter, YOY

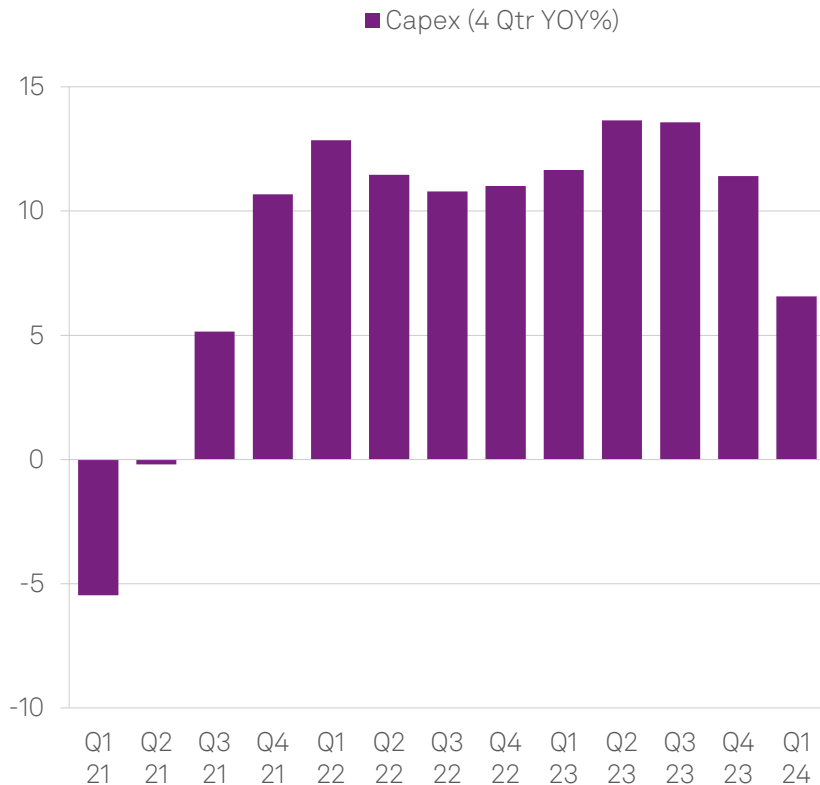


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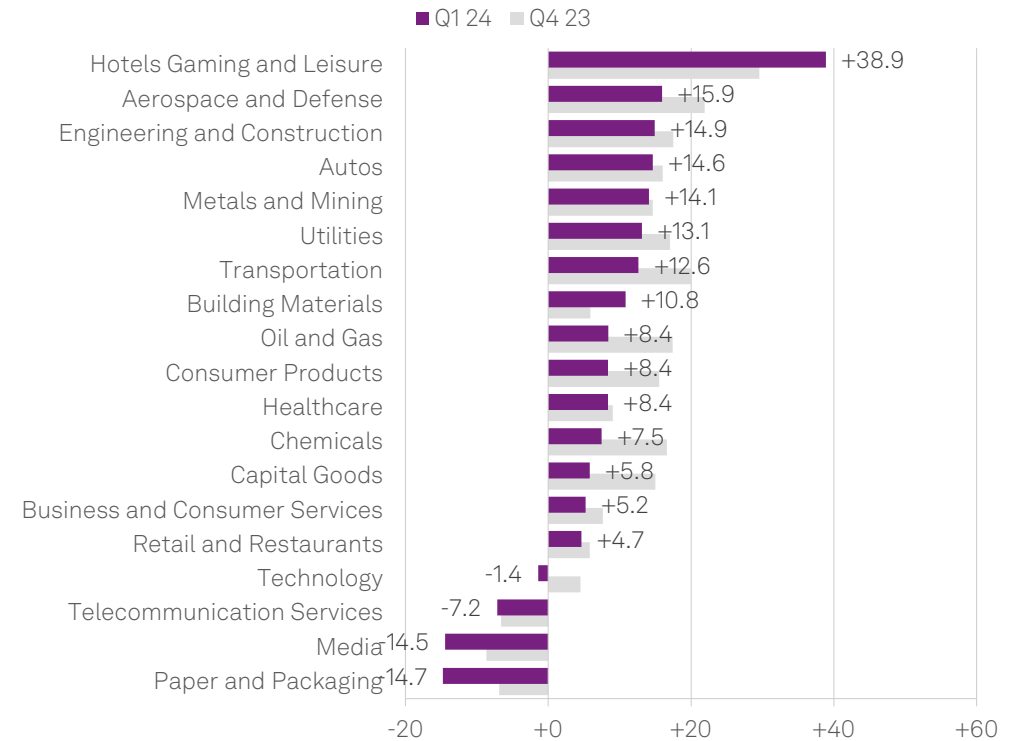
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# Rated nonfinancial corporates | Capital expenditure growth\*

## Global Capex Growth | Trailing 4 Quarter, Year-Over-Year



## Global Industry Capex Growth | Trailing 4 Quarter, YOY

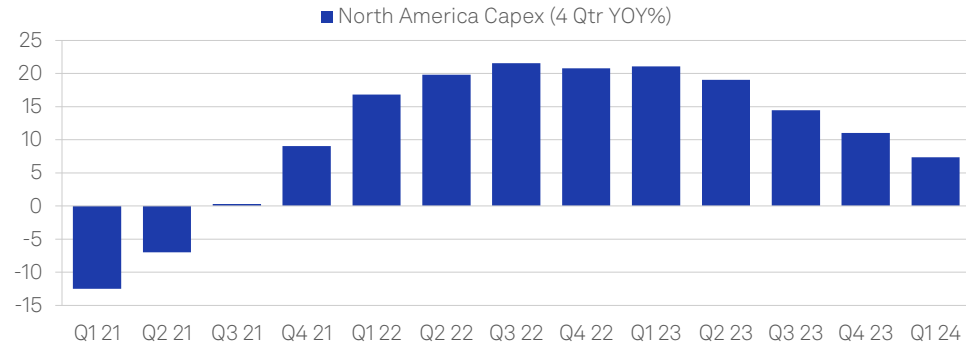


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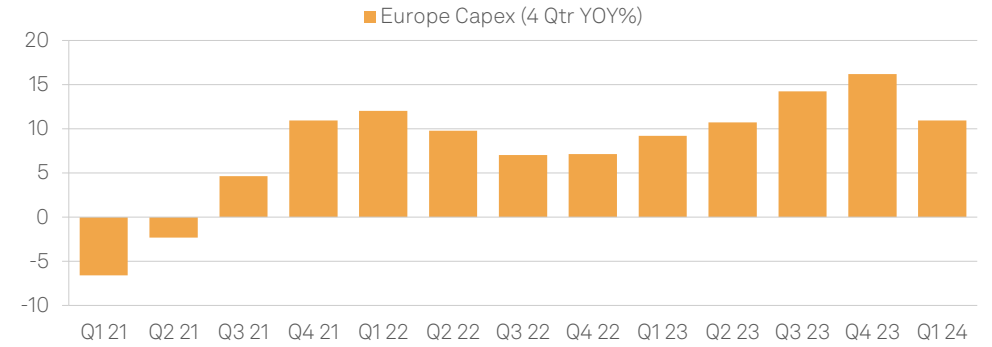
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# Rated nonfinancial corporates | Capital expenditure growth by region\*

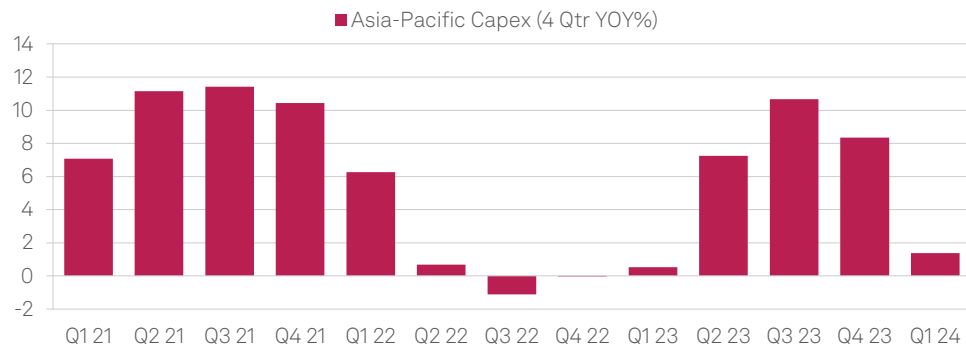
## North America | Capex Growth, 4 Qtr YOY%



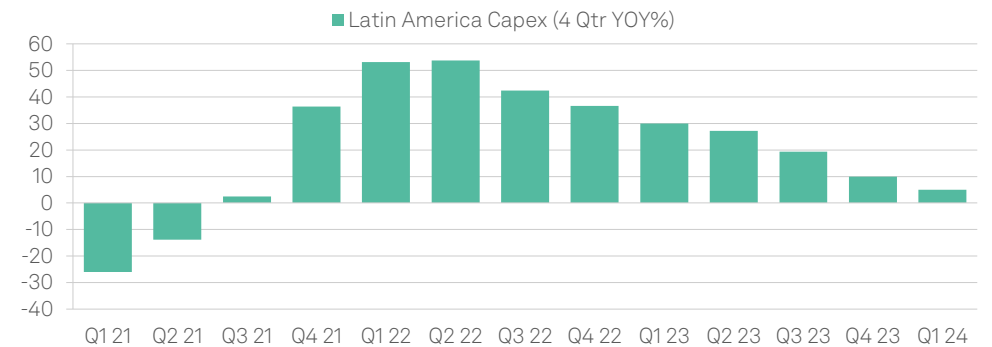
## Europe | Capex Growth, 4 Qtr YOY%



## Asia Pacific | Capex Growth, 4 Qtr YOY%



## Latin America | Capex Growth, 4 Qtr YOY%

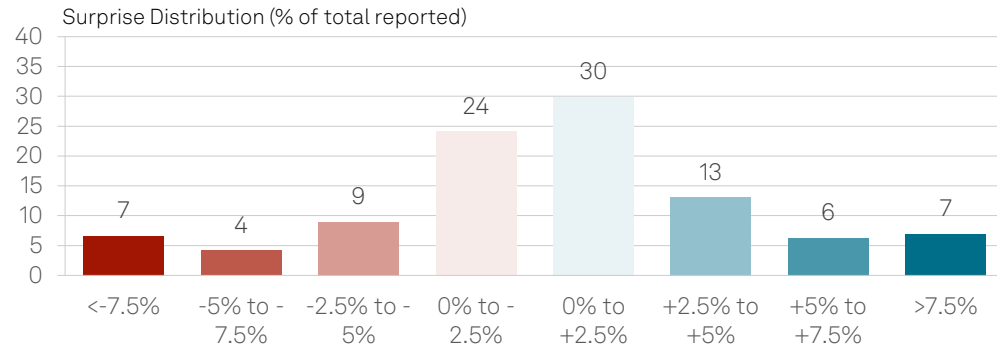


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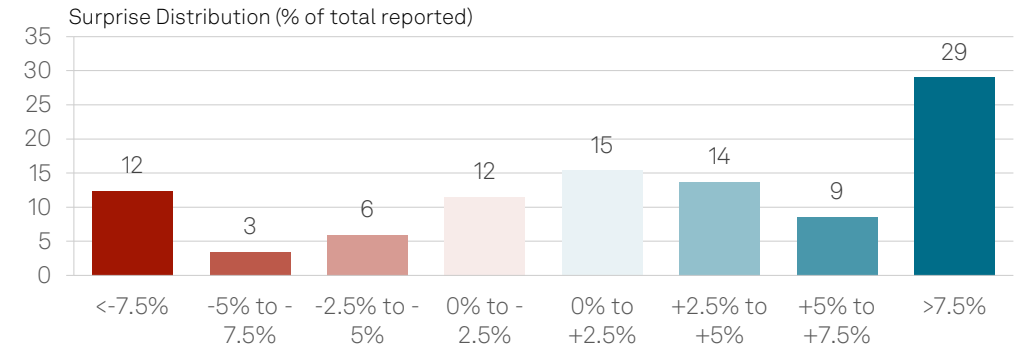
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# Rated nonfinancial corporates | Results versus market expectations

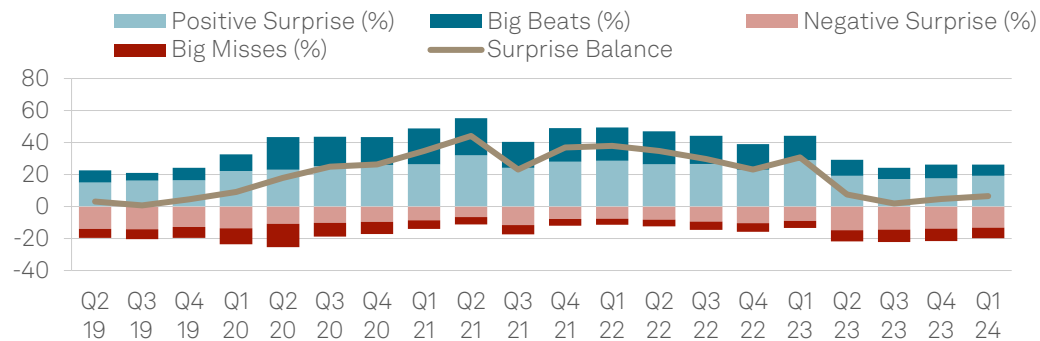
“Surprise” versus consensus - Sales, Q1 2024



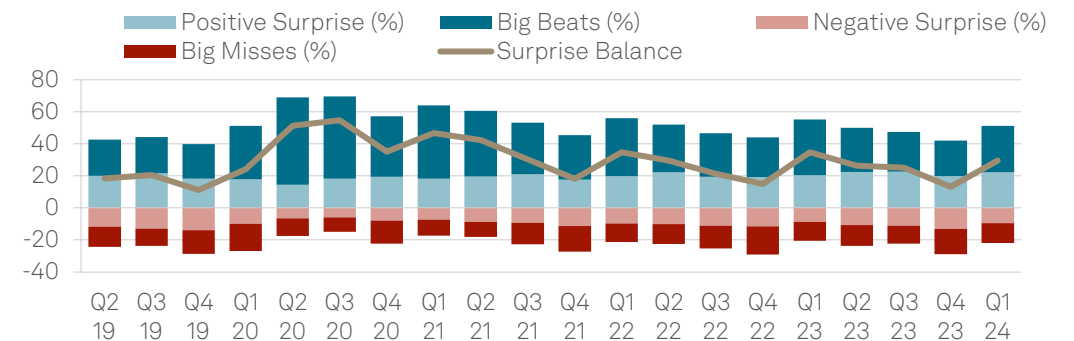
“Surprise” versus consensus - EBITDA, Q1 2024



Evolution of "surprise" versus consensus - Sales



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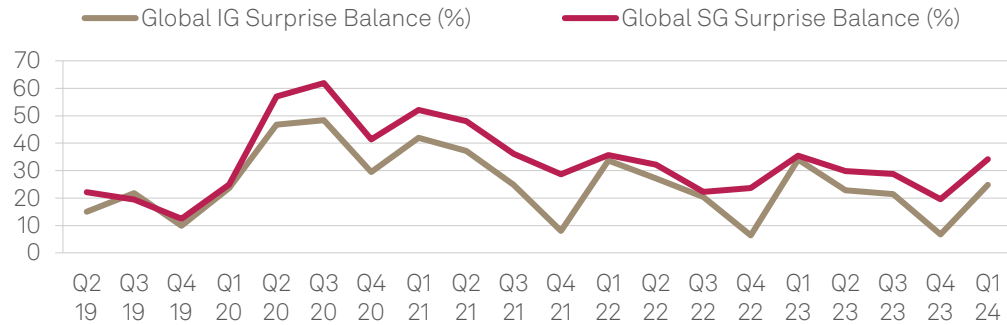


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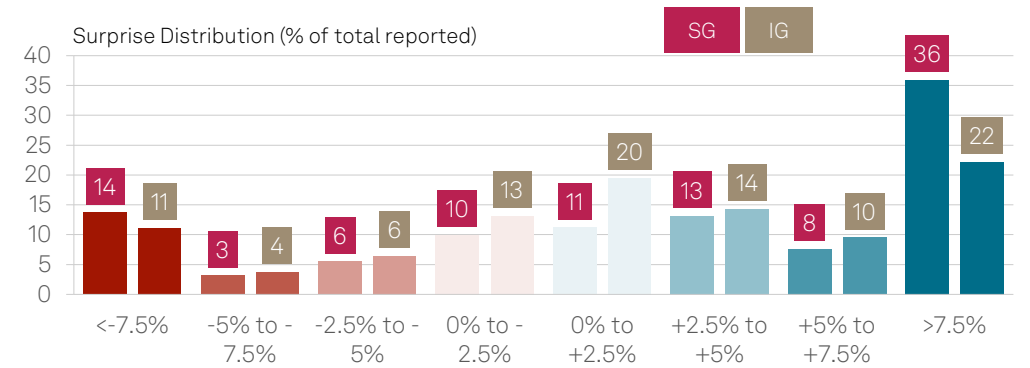


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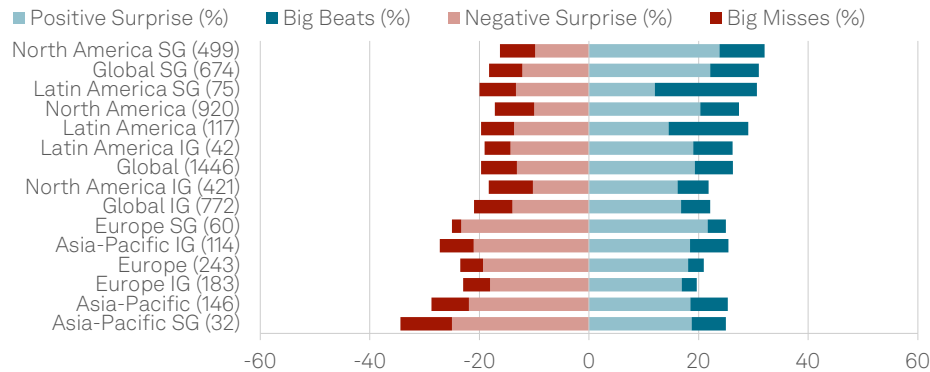
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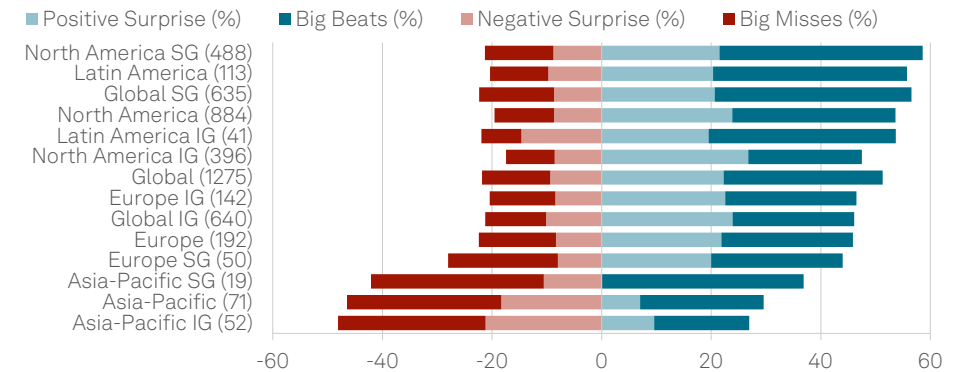
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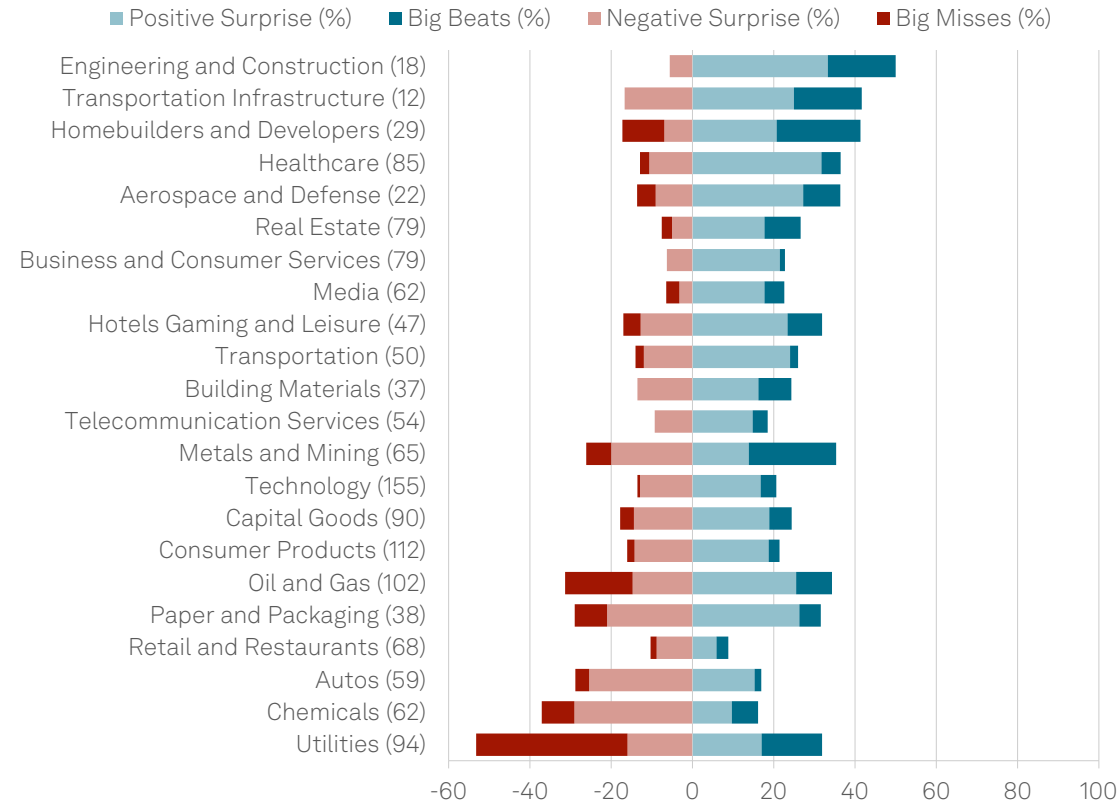
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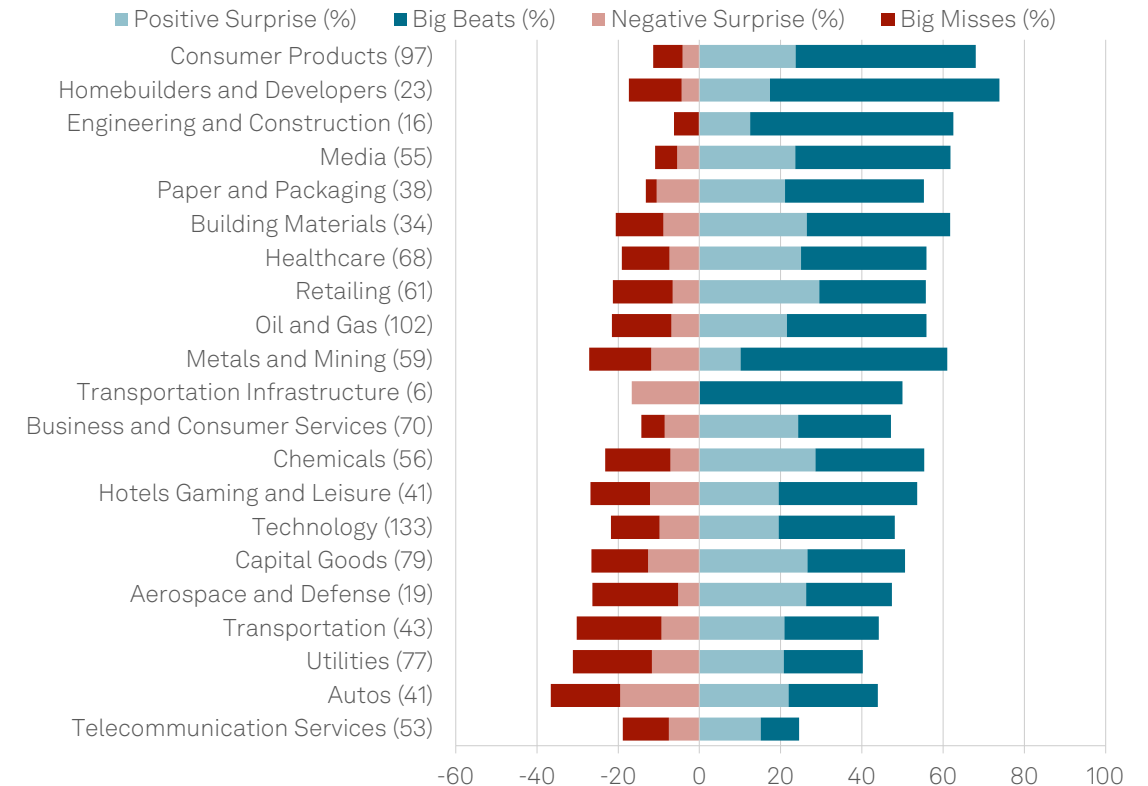
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# Rated nonfinancial corporates | Results versus market expectations by industry

## "Surprise" by industry - Sales (Ranked)



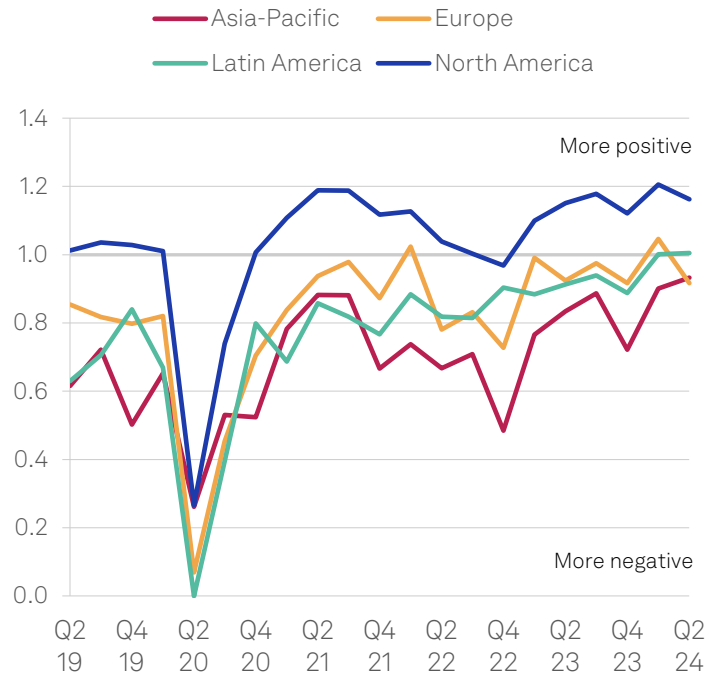
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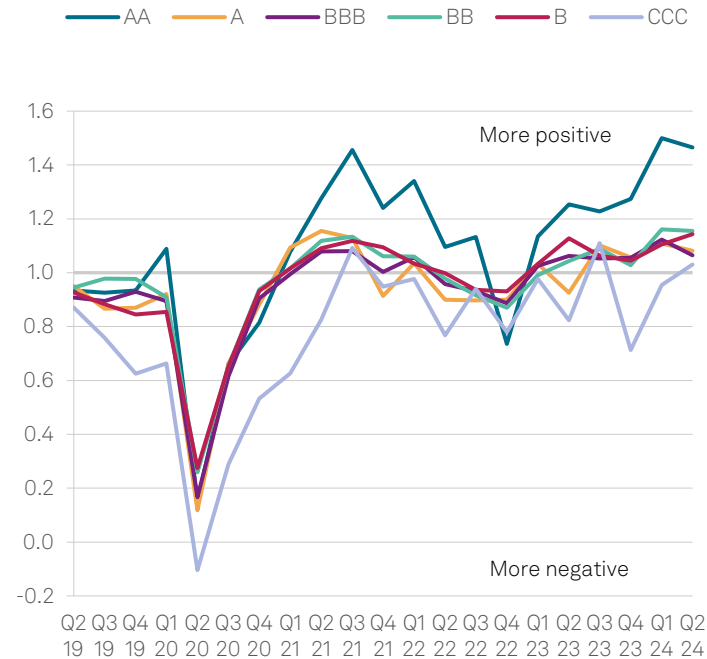
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# Rated nonfinancial corporates | Transcript sentiment by region, rating, and industry

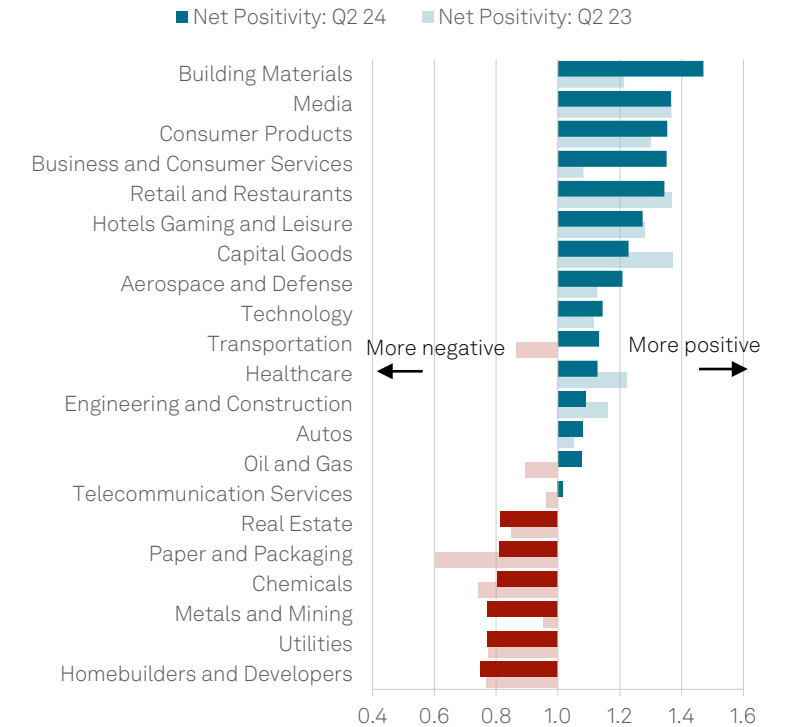
Median net positivity score by region



Median net positivity score by rating



Median net positivity score by industry

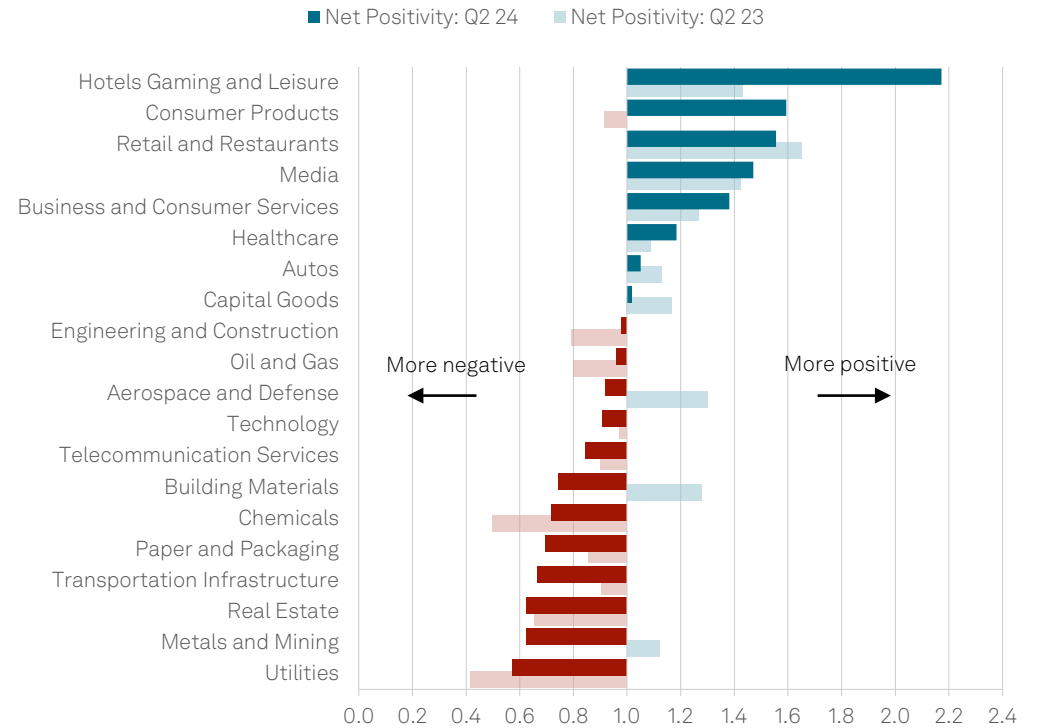
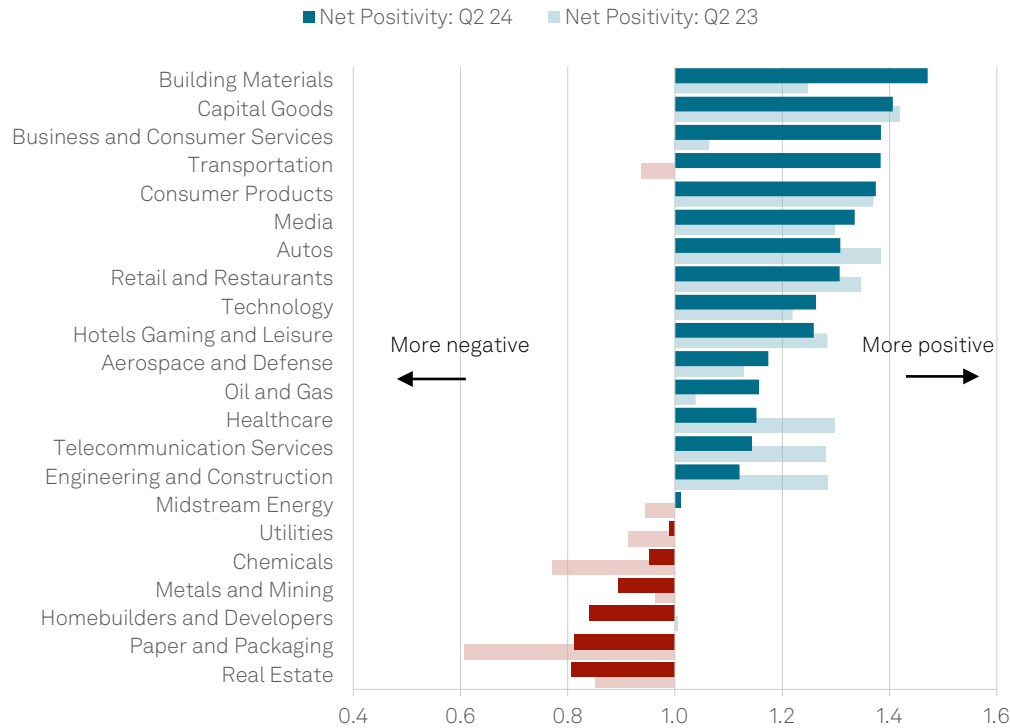


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# Rated nonfinancial corporates | Transcript sentiment for North American and European industries

## North America | Median net positivity score by industry

## Europe | Median net positivity score by industry

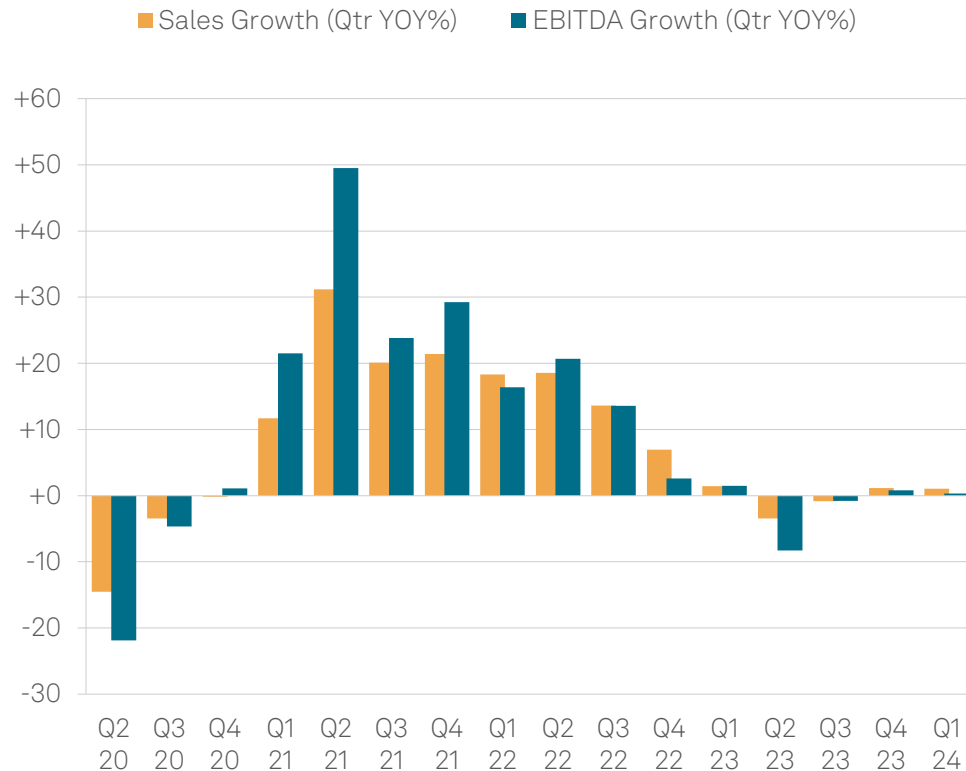


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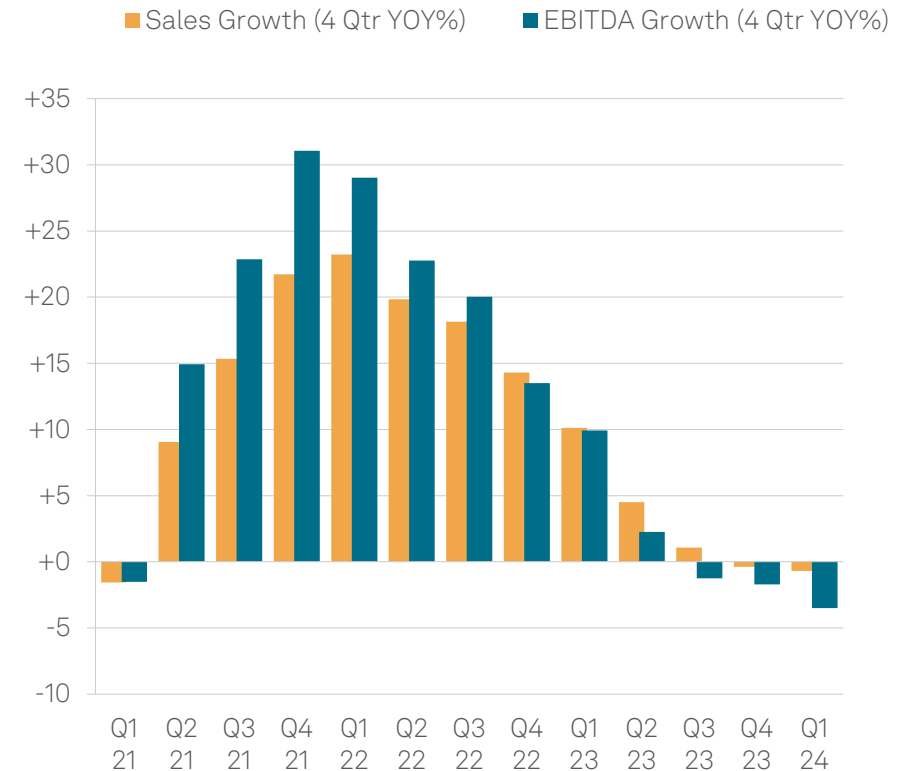
# North America

# Rated North American Nonfinancial Corporates | Sales and EBITDA Growth\*

## North America | Quarterly, Year-Over-Year



## North America | Trailing 4 Quarter, Year-Over-Year

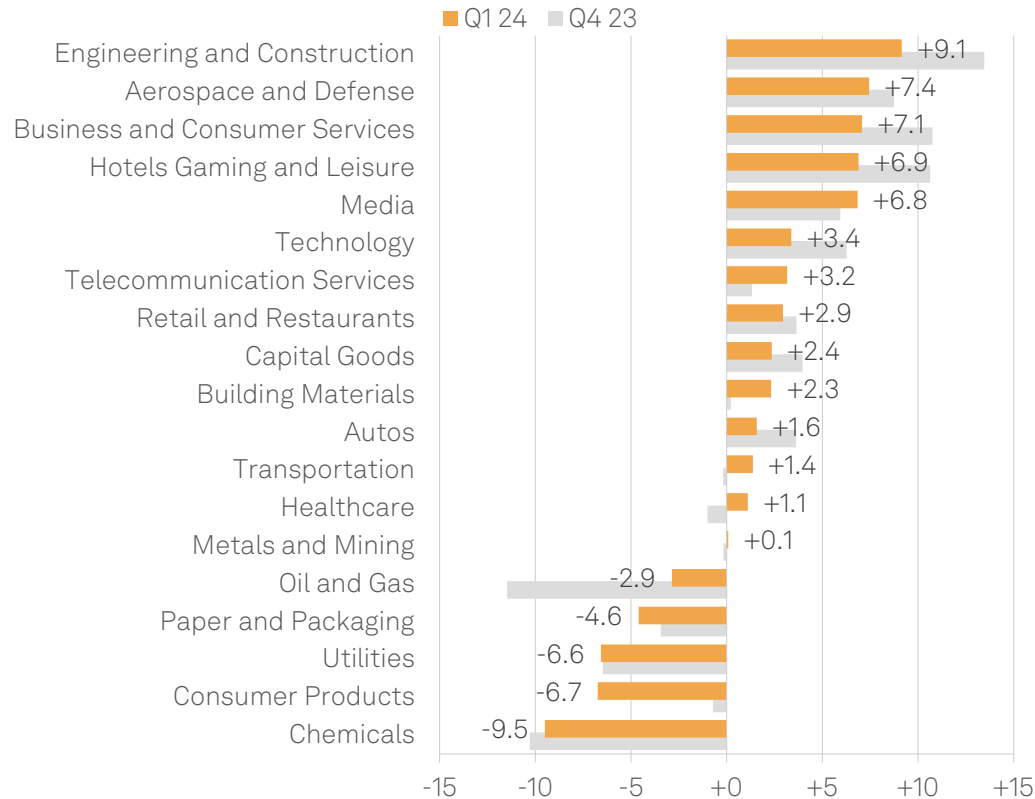


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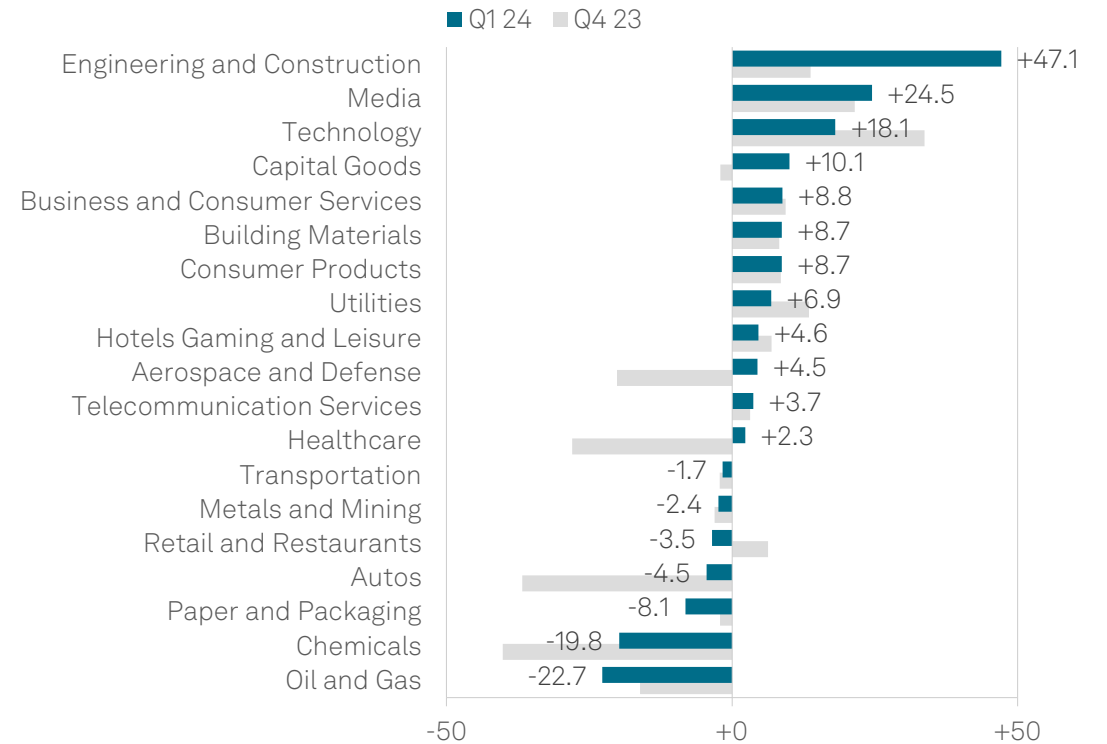
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# Rated North America Nonfinancial Corporates | Industry Growth\*

## Sales Growth | Quarterly, Year-Over-Year



## EBITDA Growth | Quarterly, Year-Over-Year

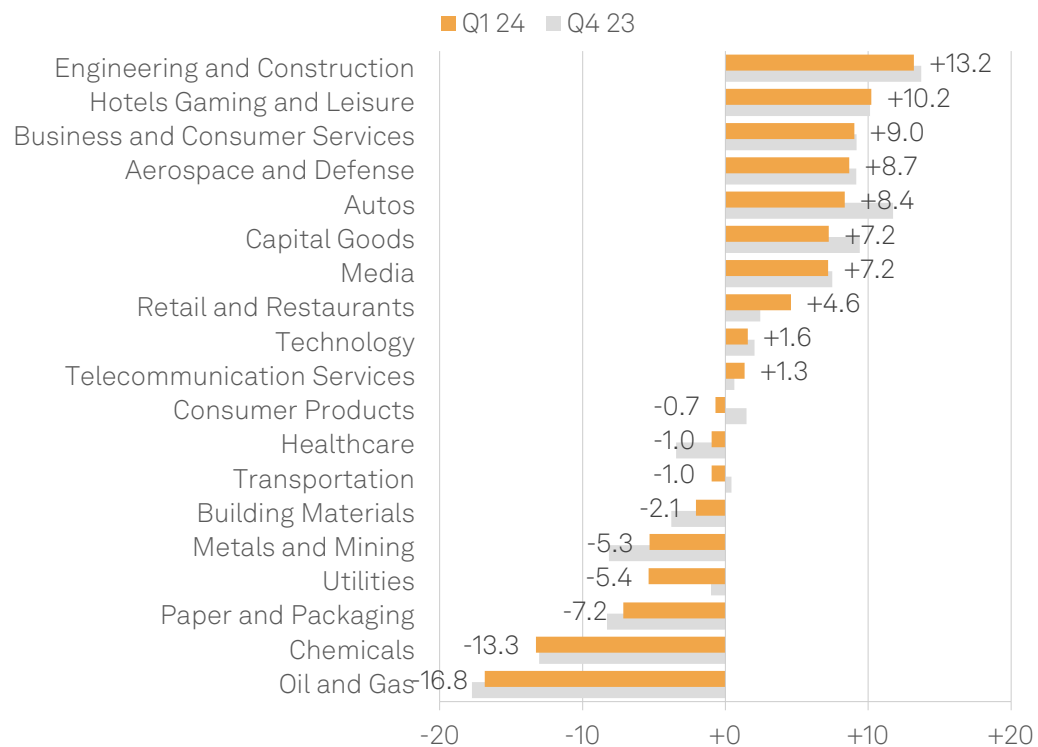


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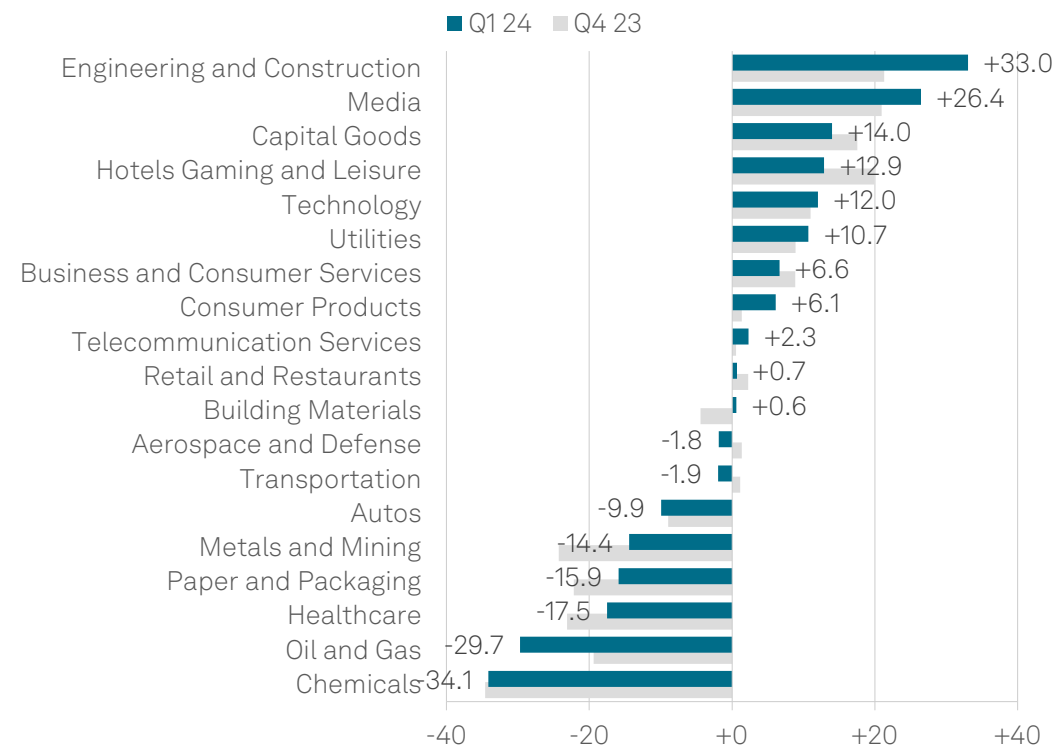
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## EBITDA Growth | Trailing 4 Quarter, Year-Over-Year



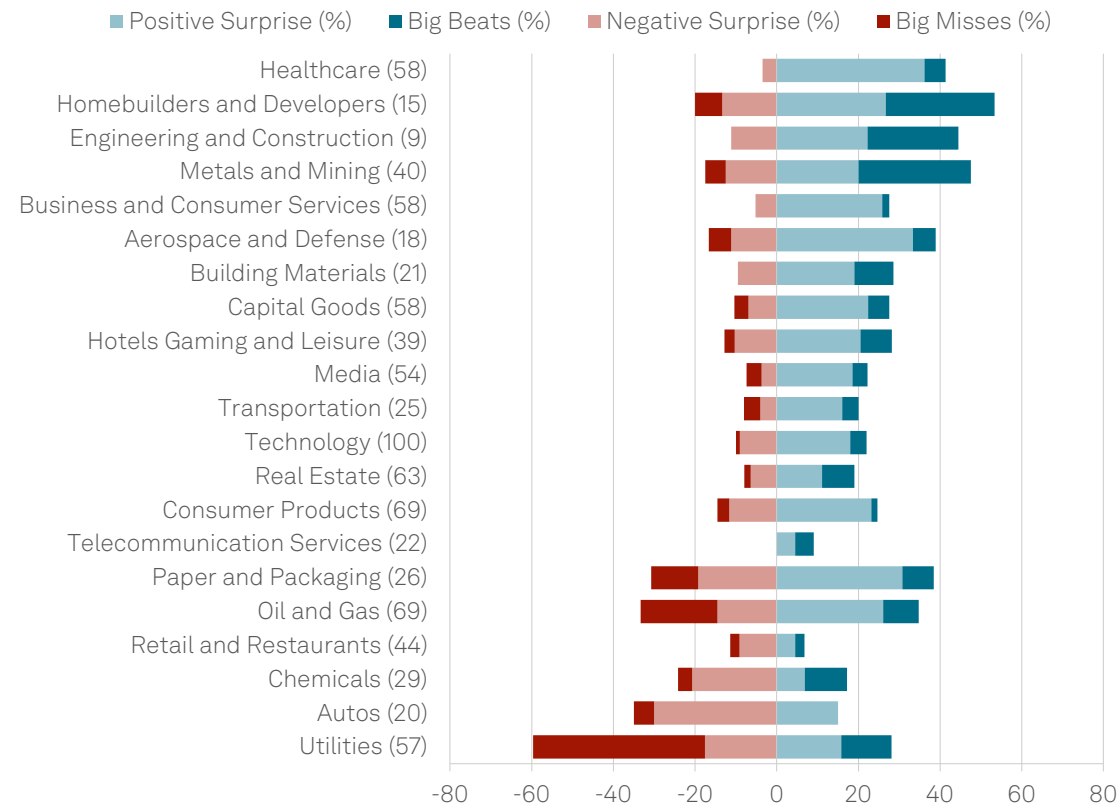
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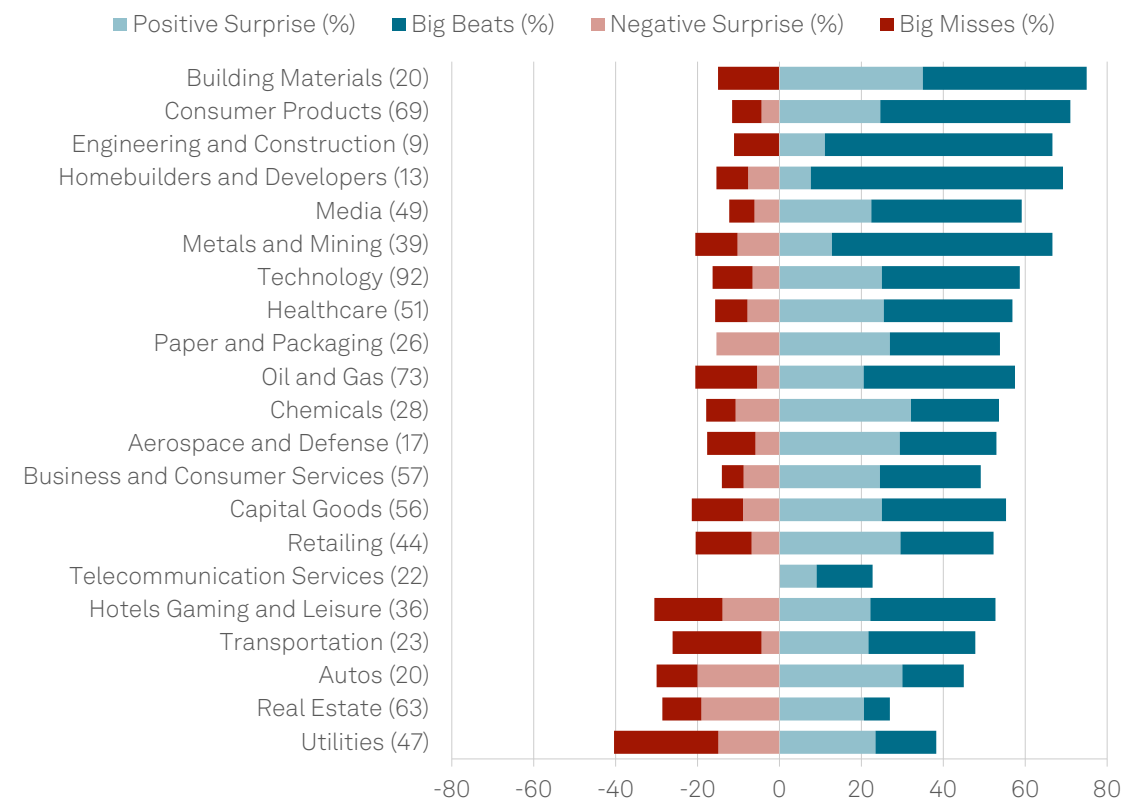


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"Surprise" by industry - EBITDA (Ranked)

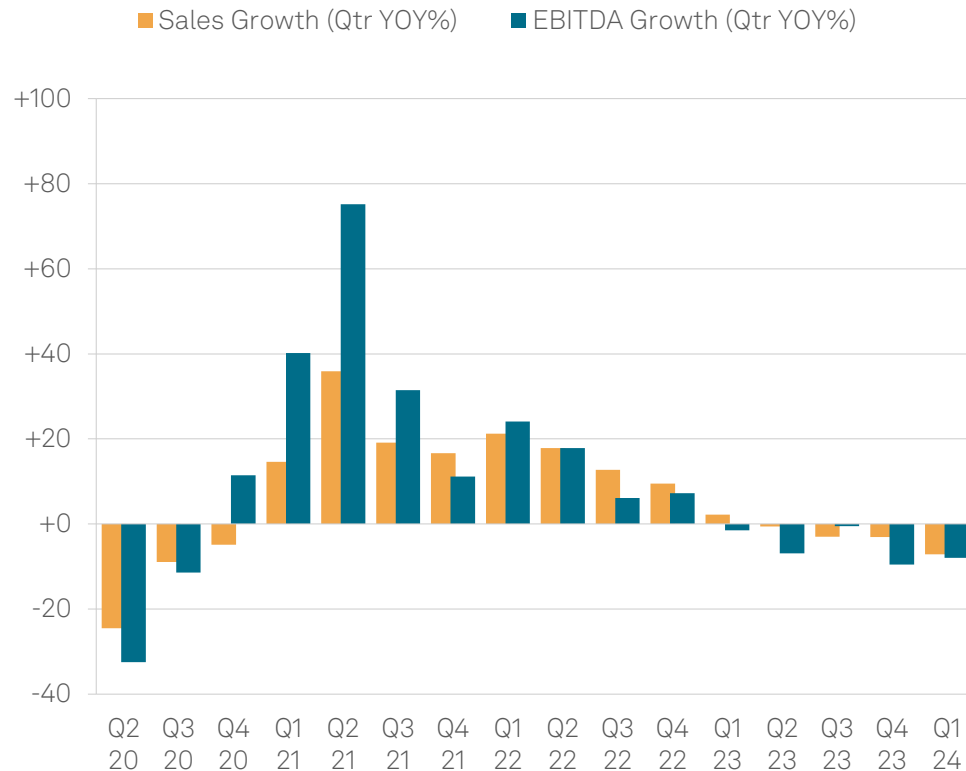


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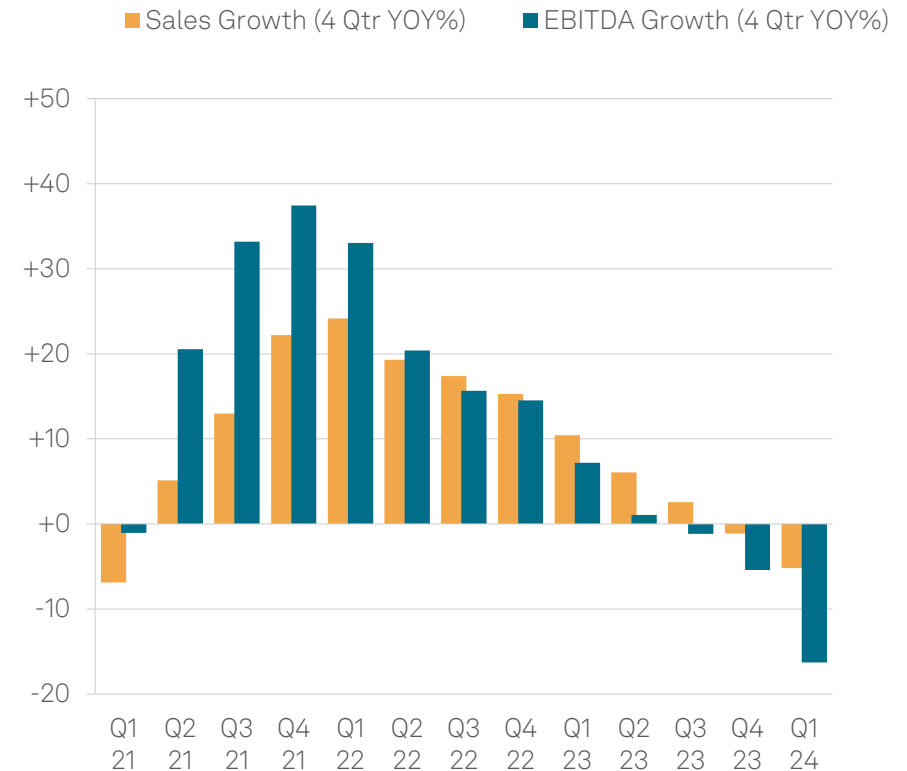
# Europe

# Rated European Nonfinancial Corporates | Sales and EBITDA Growth\*

## Europe | Quarterly, Year-Over-Year



## Europe | Trailing 4 Quarter, Year-Over-Year

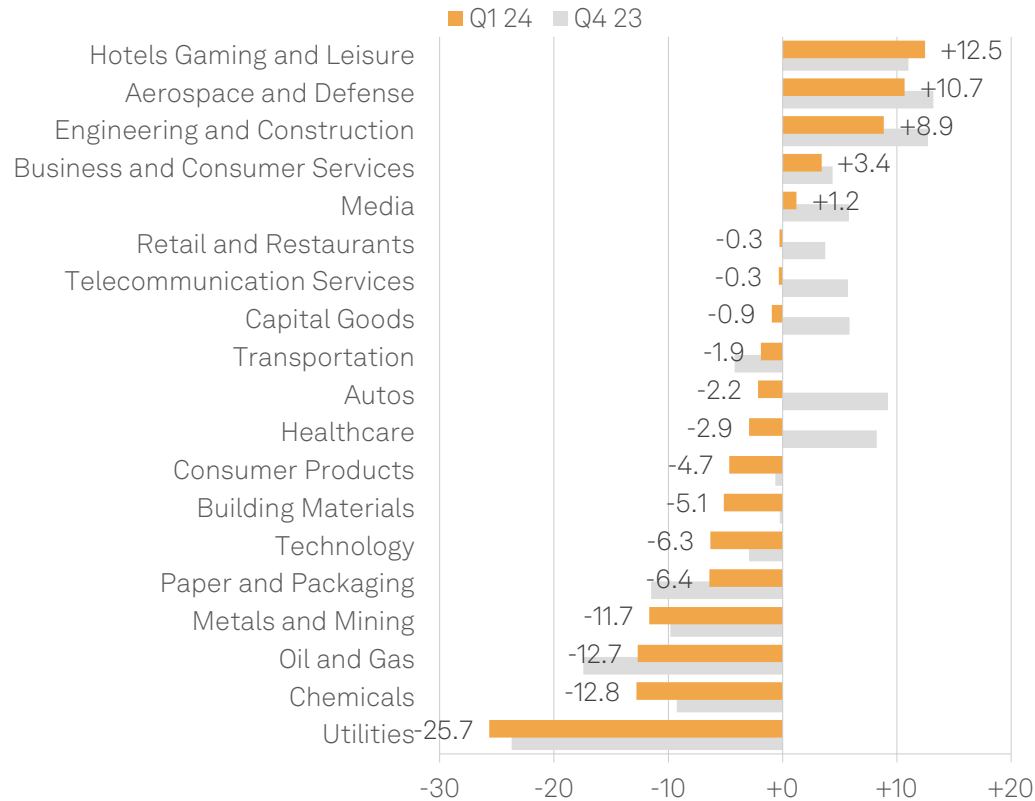


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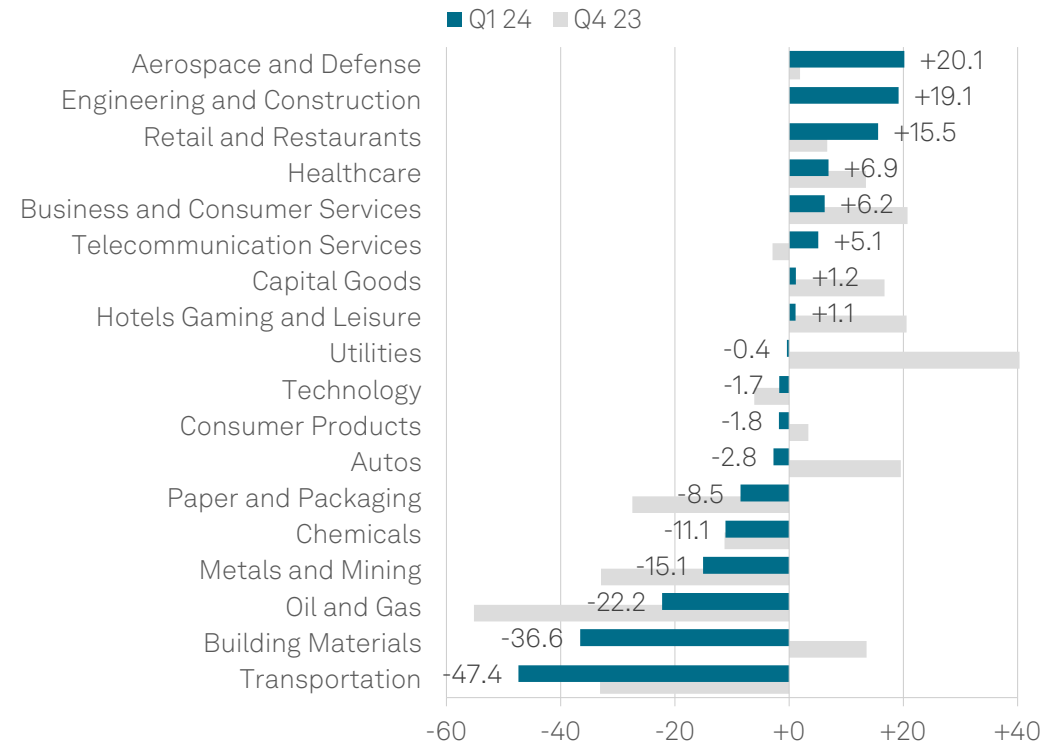
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## Sales Growth | Quarterly, Year-Over-Year



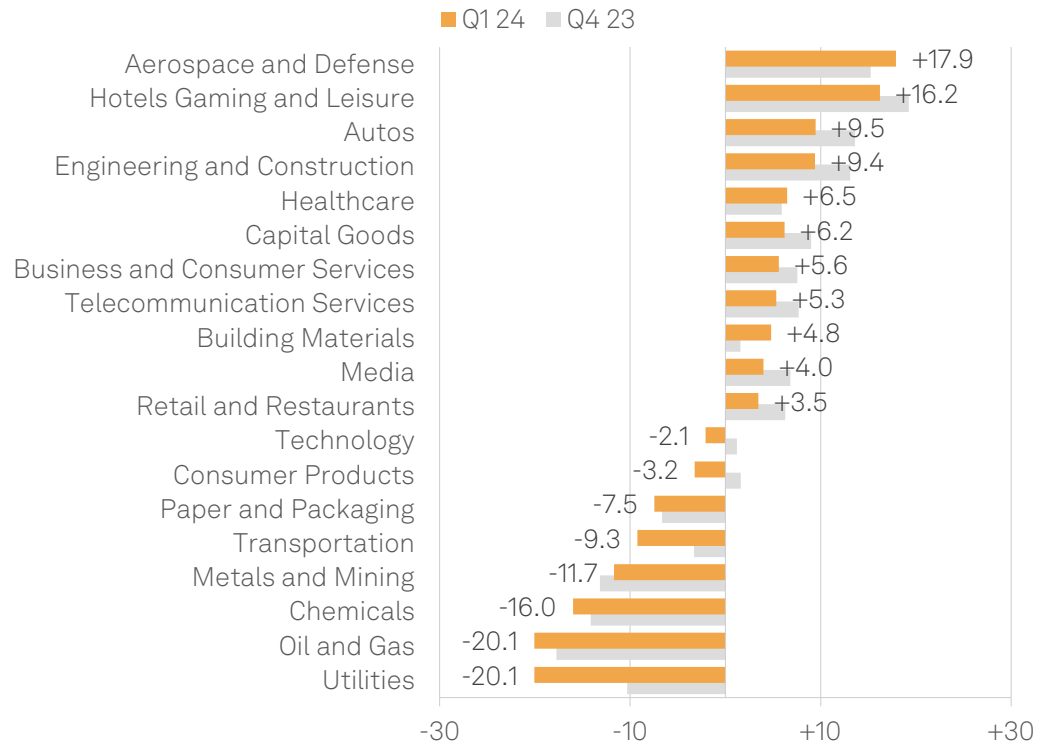
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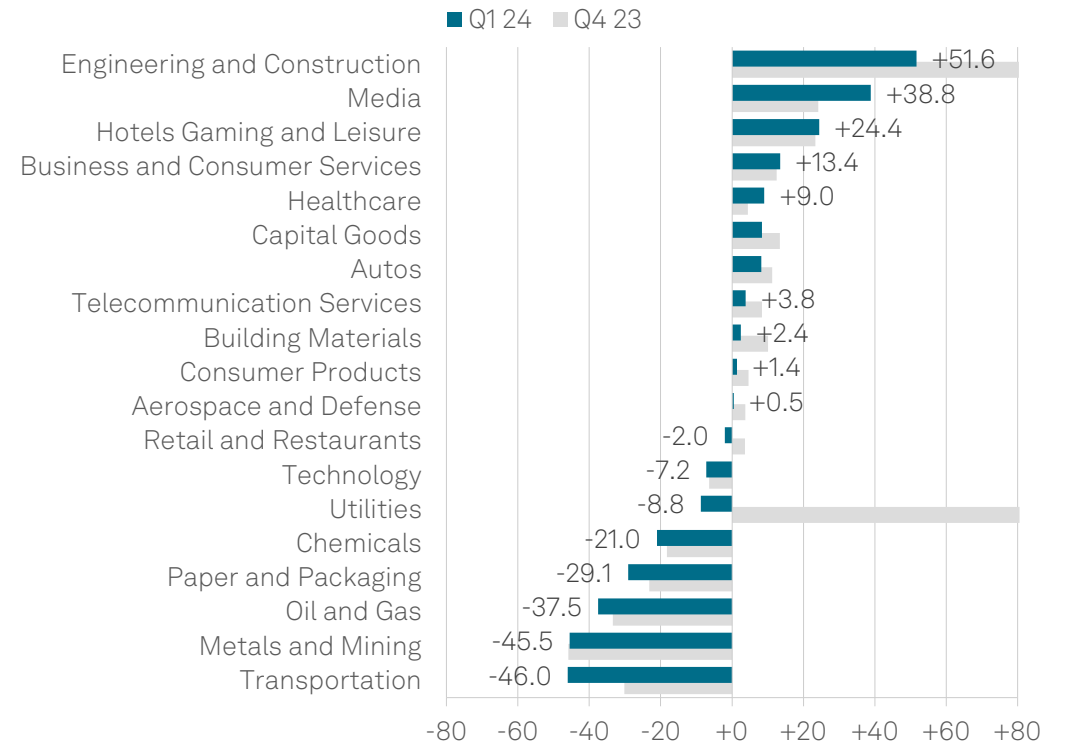
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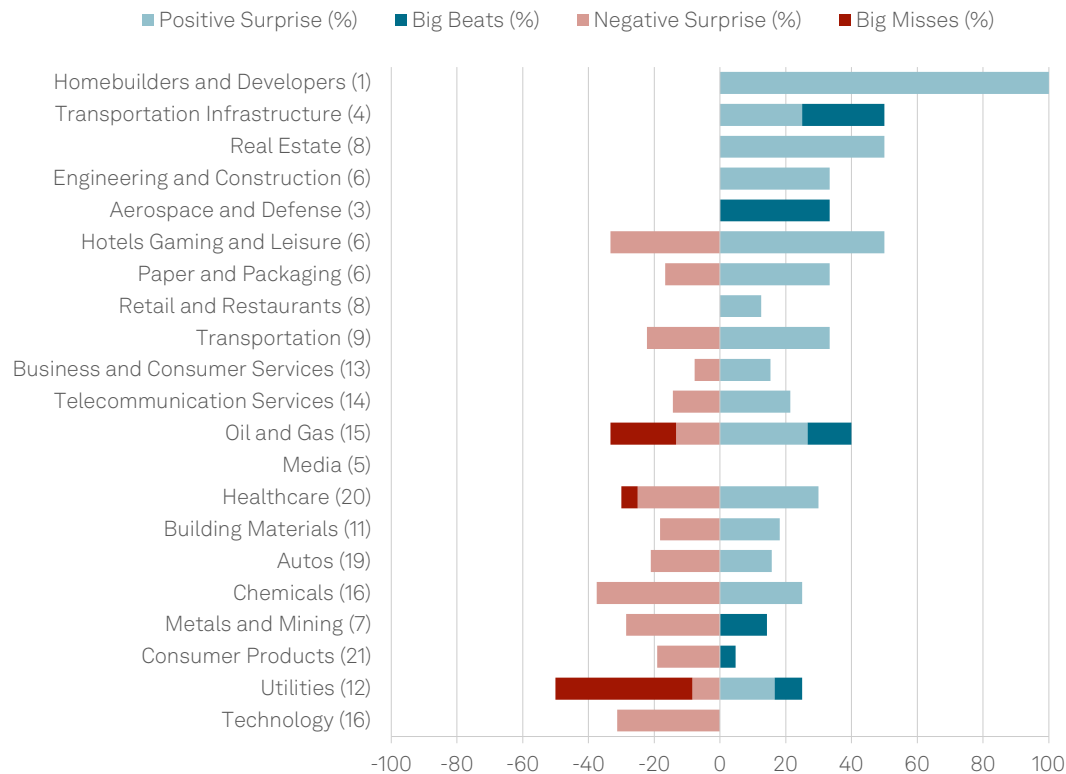


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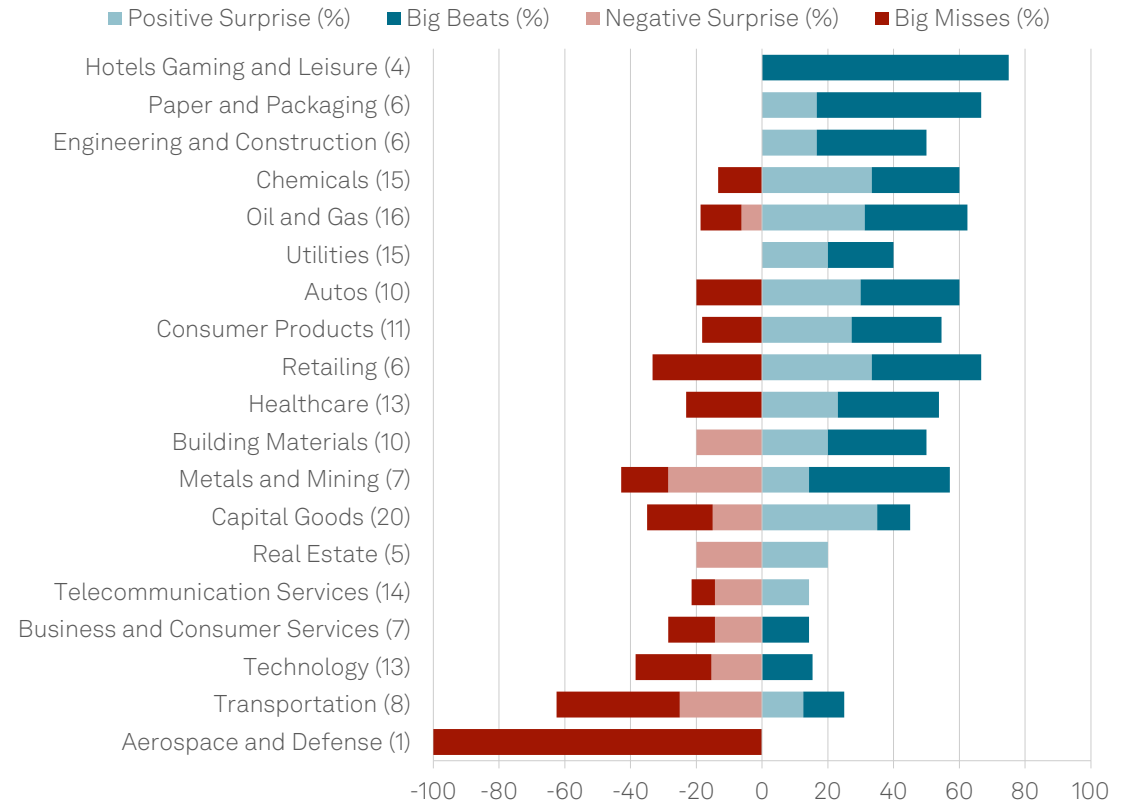
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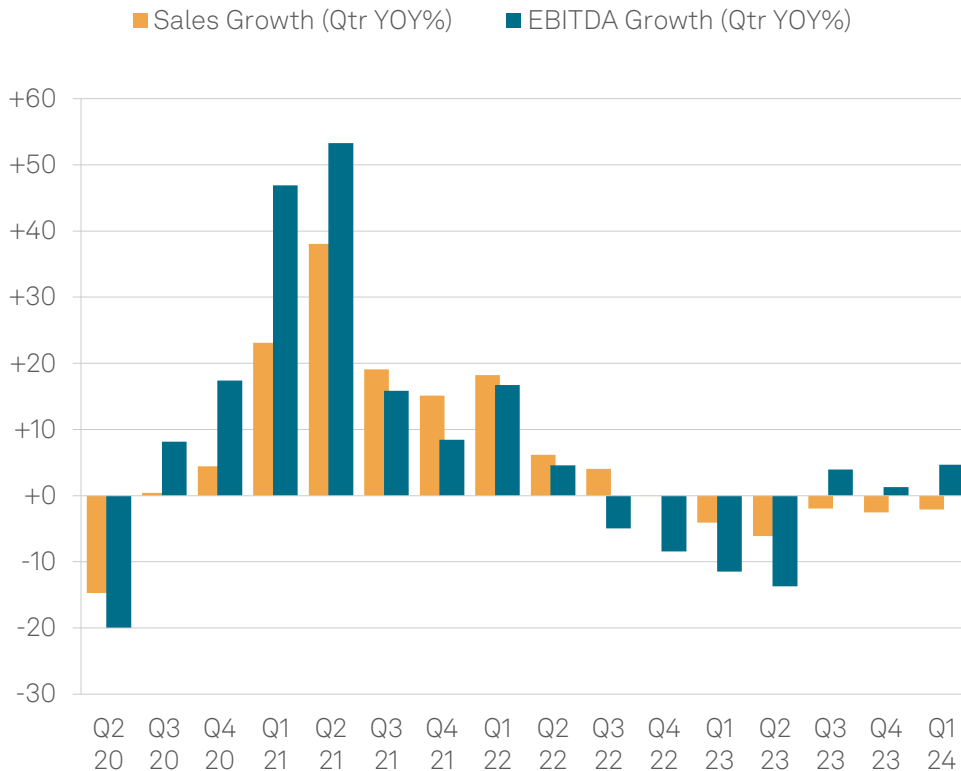


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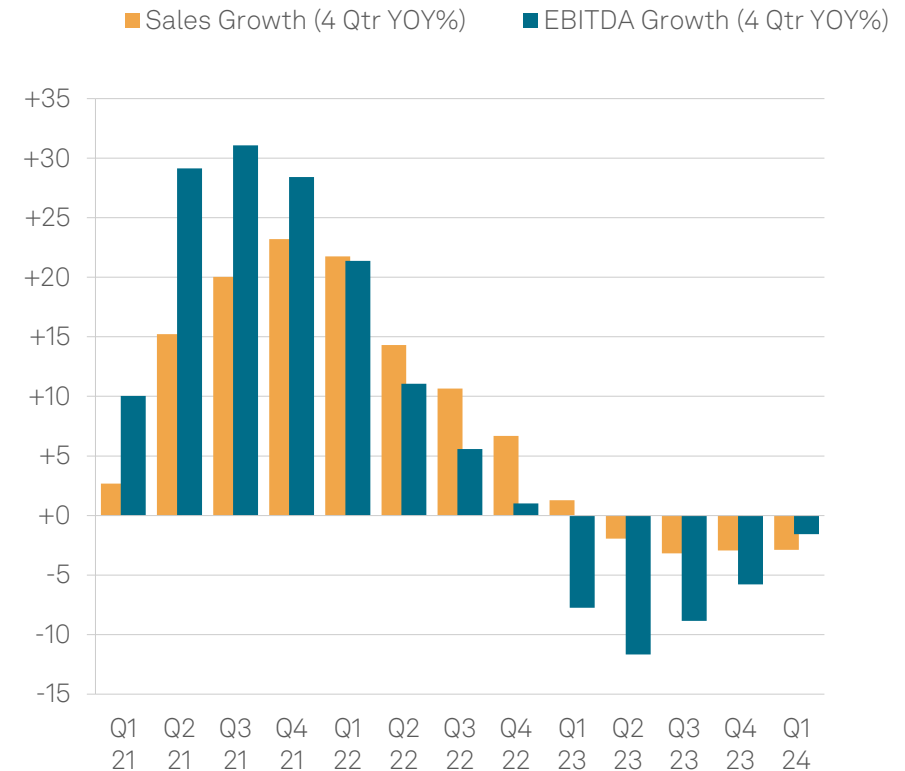
# Asia-Pacific

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## Asia-Pacific | Quarterly, Year-Over-Year



## Asia-Pacific | Trailing 4 Quarter, Year-Over-Year



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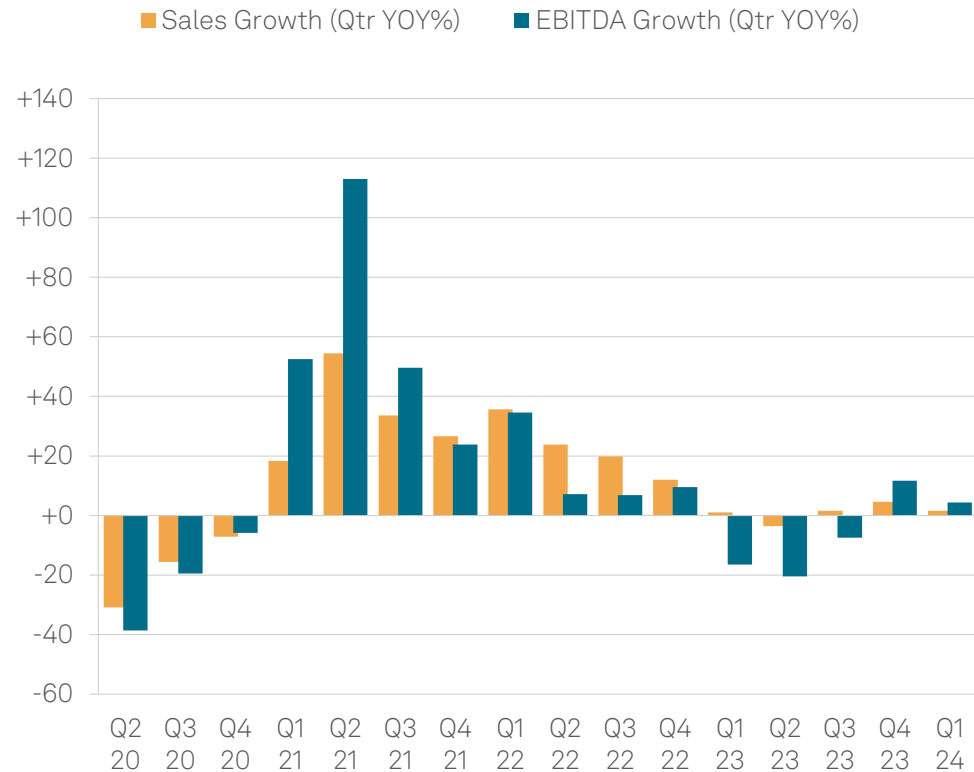
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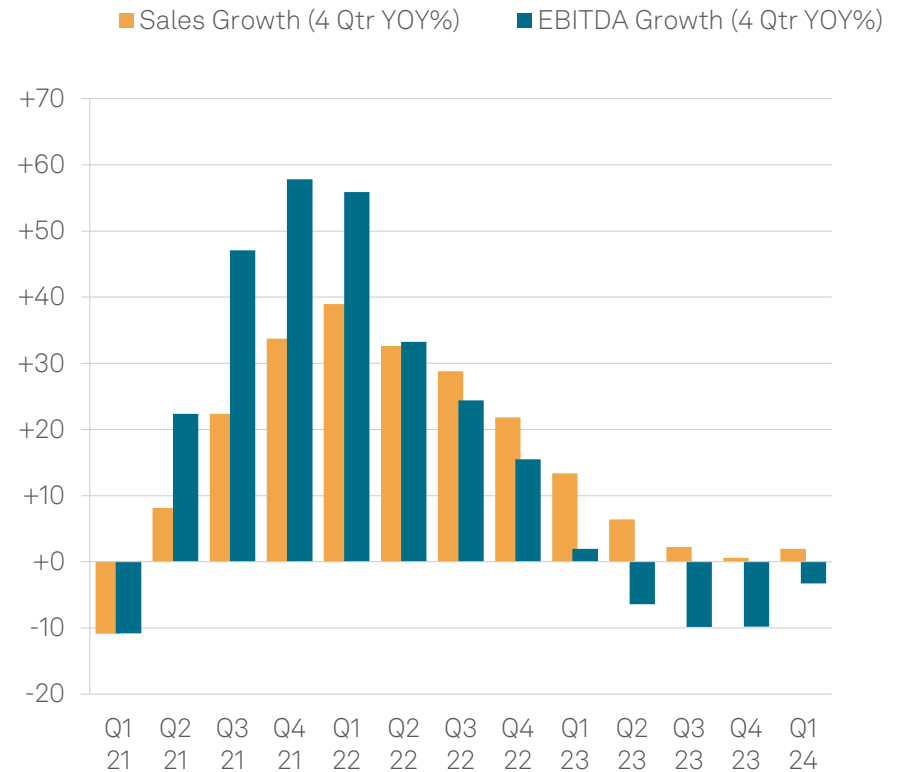
# Latin America

# Rated Latin America Nonfinancial Corporates | Sales and EBITDA Growth\*

## Latin America | Quarterly, Year-Over-Year



## Latin America | Trailing 4 Quarter, Year-Over-Year



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