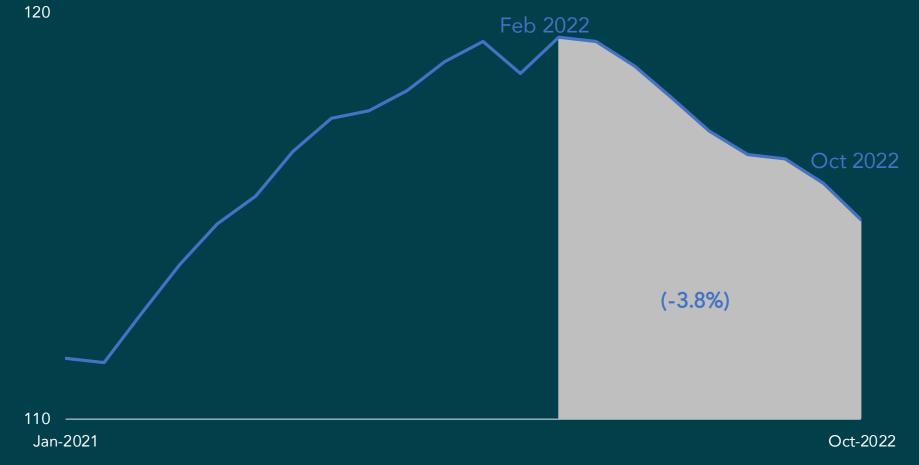
US recession remains our baseline forecast for the 2H 2023. In October, the Conference Board's Leading Economic Index (LEI) fell for its eighth consecutive month to reach 114.9, 3.8% below its February peak. The LEI tracks 10 economic indicators including consumer expectations for business conditions, interest rates, manufacturers' orders, and employment statistics. In October, 7 of the 10 subcomponents contracted, indicating broad-based weakness and elevated 2023 recession risk.

Conference Board Leading Economic Index (LEI)



Source: (1) Bloomberg. Data as of November 18, 2022.

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