

Issues and Insights

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Welcome to the latest issue of **Issues and Insights**, summarizing our latest thinking on subjects affecting your business. Use the information to stay resilient and grow through these disruptive times.

Hot topics



Job growth: April pace quickens

A broad-based gain in April payrolls reversed the sharp slowdown seen in March. Hiring in healthcare and social assistance drove the increases, with professional and business services next. What larger trends does this suggest? To get our latest view of the U.S. economy, read the facts in our [Monthly Economic Update](#).



What were they thinking? CCOs reveal hopes, concerns in new survey

In February and March, KPMG polled 240 Chief Ethics and Compliance Officers (CCOs) at Fortune 500 organizations to learn what's top of mind, given increased government scrutiny. The varied responses had one consistent conclusion: technology in the Ethics & Compliance function is a "must" for identifying, measuring, and mitigating risk. See the complete survey results [here](#).



Low-code solutions for a low-growth economy

More and more organizations are discovering the many advantages of building applications through low-code technology. Given its low cost, ease of use, and ability to accelerate the development process, low code is fast becoming the industry's preferred development platform – especially when cost is a concern. [Learn more and see how KPMG can help.](#)



Earth Day 2023 affirms consumers' environmental focus

Since its inauguration 53 years ago, two generations have grown up with Earth Day, and they take the environment more seriously than ever. A recent survey indicated that consumers are embracing eco-friendly brands and rejecting those that fail to meet their sustainability criteria. [See what these trends mean for ESG – and you.](#)



What corporate directors should know now

Artificial intelligence, governance and oversight; preparing for quantum computing; diversity, African American board representation, a financial reporting and auditing update: these are among the topics we cover in the latest issue of [Directors Quarterly](#). Be sure to read the insights from the KPMG Board Leadership Center. It's information you'll want to know.



Building products manufacturers take the tech route

Over the past few years, the once-stodgy building materials industry has adopted digital transformation to gain competitive advantage and reduce costs. Even in an uncertain economy, our experience suggests that technology investments generate both cost and revenue benefits; and can be structured to achieve payback in a limited time frame. [See how these investments might help you, too.](#)

Tax topics



What's next for the U.S. economy?

In our latest [Biannual Economic Outlook](#), Diane Swonk, Chief Economist KPMG U.S., digs into the numbers to deliver a cool, cogent, and detailed look at the arguments for and against a coming recession. Ms. Swonk presents the information with her trademark blend of facts, brevity and wit.



More (IRS) Money, More (Taxpayer) Problems? The Impact of IRS Funding on Information Reporting

In this recent article, we discuss reporting deficiencies that the IRS is seeking to correct; upcoming reporting changes; and proposed improvements under the \$80 billion budget.

Podcasts and webcasts



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