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A CLOSER LOOK AT CHINA

China's ascension over the past twenty years to the second largest economy in the world has changed the global landscape in a variety of ways. As China's economic size and market capitalization grows, many investors have reasonably been pondering how to treat their allocations to Chinese assets. In this Topic of Interest white paper, we offer some potential opportunities and threats around Chinese investment that should help provide context to investors in their decisions around this market.

A PRIMER: TIMBERLAND & FARMLAND

In this Topic of Interest white paper, we will aim to inform readers of the investment thesis for timberland and agriculture, detailing the return drivers and characteristics unique to each asset class. Next, we cover historical performance and how these asset classes might fit within institutional portfolios and contribute to portfolio return objectives. Here we touch on the commonly acknowledged issues around interpreting the volatility of private market assets, due to data lag and appraisal-smoothing effects. Last, we conclude with a Verus outlook on both Timberland and Agriculture in the current market environment.

Annual research

2022 REAL ASSETS OUTLOOK

For the first time in decades, high inflation has emerged and is creating challenges for consumers and investors. We believe inflation will likely begin falling later in 2022, though notable inflationary and deflationary forces are in play, and it is difficult to gauge which of these forces will have greater impacts. While inflation remains the topic most discussed in the media, and among many investors, how the Fed responds and whether the tightening path overcorrects is an issue we are discussing more today. Learning from history and the actions of the Volker Fed, we would not rule out the possibility that this inflation cycle quickly turns into deflation as recessionary forces take hold.

Verus business update

Since our last Investment Landscape webinar:

- Verus hired several new employees. John Santopadre, CFA, Director | Portfolio Management; Colleen Flannery, Associate Director | Public Markets; Lukas Seeley, Performance Analyst; James Wadner, Performance Analyst; Jonah Coffee, Performance Analyst; and Nicholas Pecache, Performance Analyst.
- The firm continues to grow with new clients that stretch from Hawaii to South Carolina. We now proudly serve clients in 26 states in every domestic time zone.
- Recent research found at verusinvestments.com/insights
 - In May, we released our 2022 Real Assets Outlook
 - In June, we published a Primer on Mortgage Income and A Primer: Timberland & Farmland
 - Earlier this month, we released a Topics of Interest paper on A Closer Look at China

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2nd quarter summary

THE ECONOMIC CLIMATE

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PORTFOLIO IMPACTS

- U.S. core CPI slowed to 5.9% year-over-year in June. Headline inflation, which includes food and energy prices, came in surprisingly hot at 9.1% year-over-year, exceeding expectations. Higher energy prices were a major driver of the inflation print, with energy commodities and gasoline moving more than 10% higher from May to June. p. 10
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THE INVESTMENT CLIMATE

- Russia's invasion of Ukraine continued, resulting in heavy losses on both sides. Most fighting has taken place in the east, as Russia gradually advances. Both Finland and Sweden are in the process of joining NATO—a landmark move and result of war likely unforeseen by Russia. *p. 16*
- Early in 2022 many investors feared a potential global commodity shortage—a product of underinvestment in production capacity in recent years. Russia's invasion of Ukraine further amplified these concerns, pushing commodities higher. This trend appears to have reversed, as recession is a notable possibility, and many commodities have seen sharp losses. p. 36

ASSET ALLOCATION ISSUES

- Nearly every asset class delivered moderate to deeply negative returns during Q2. Global equities saw a -15.7% pullback (MSCI ACWI), fixed income experienced losses as interest rates rose and credit spreads widened (BBG US Aggregate -4.7%, BBG US High Yield -9.8%), and commodities saw a reversal (BBG Commodity -5.7%). p. 46
- Value stocks outperformed Growth stocks by a wide margin again during Q2 (Russell 1000 Value -12.2% vs Russell 1000 Growth -20.9%) as many Growth stocks with lofty valuations were hit by rising rates and risk-off sentiment. Large capitalization stocks slightly outperformed small cap stocks (Russell 1000 -16.7%, Russell 2000 -17.2%). p. 29

Most asset classes delivered further losses during Q2 over fears of inflation and recession



What drove the market in Q2?

"Inflation Surges Heap Pressure on Global Policy Makers"

HEADLINE CONSUMER PRICE INFLATION (YEAR-OVER-YEAR)

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
7.5%	7.9%	8.5%	8.3%	8.6%	9.1%

Article Source: Financial Times, April 13th, 2022

"Fed Raises Rates by 0.75%, Largest Increase Since 1994"

FED FUNDS RATE EXPECTED AT YEAR-END 2022

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
1.4%	1.4%	2.4%	2.9%	2.7%	3.4%

Article Source: Wall Street Journal, June 15th, 2022

"Risk of Global Recession by End of Year Rises on High Inflation"

IMF U.S. 2022 GDP GROWTH PROJECTIONS

Jul 21	Oct 21	Jan 22	Apr 22	Jun 22	Jul 22
4.9%	5.2%	4.0%	3.7%	2.9%	2.3%

Article Source: Bloomberg, April 11th, 2022

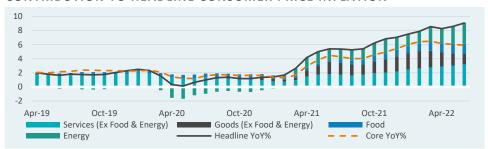
"Consumer Sentiment Plunges to Record Low Amid Surging Inflation"

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Jan	Fed	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
67.2	62.8	59.4	65.2	58.4	50.0

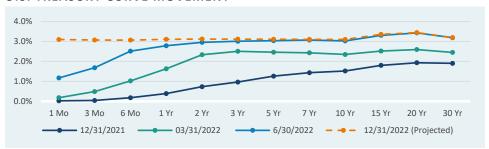
Article Source: CNN, June 10th, 2022

CONTRIBUTION TO HEADLINE CONSUMER PRICE INFLATION



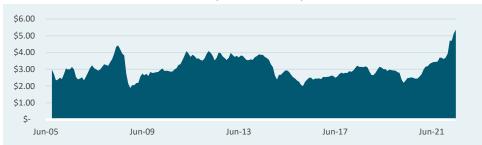
Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, as of 6/30/22

U.S. TREASURY CURVE MOVEMENT



Source: Bloomberg, as of 6/30/22

AVERAGE U.S. GASOLINE PRICES (PER GALLON)



Source: Bloomberg, as of 6/30/22



Economic environment



U.S. economics summary

- U.S. real GDP fell -0.9% annualized during Q2 (+1.6% over the past full year). Most aspects of economic activity showed decline, including private investment (-2.7%), government spending (-0.3%), and imports (-0.5%). This stoked fears of recession, as two quarters of negative growth is a common definition of technical recession.
- The Federal Reserve's objective of a "soft landing" for the economy appears to have failed. An increasingly aggressive stance during the first half of the year contributed to a broad market selloff. The negative wealth effect of the market selloff, paired with a slowdown in big ticket purchases, has slowed the economy.
- U.S. core CPI, which excludes food & energy prices, slowed to 5.9% year-over-year in June. However, headline inflation which includes food and energy prices, came in surprisingly hot at 9.1% year-overyear, exceeding expectations.

- Higher energy prices were a major driver of the inflation print, with energy commodities and gasoline moving more than 10% higher just from May to June.
- Unemployment was unchanged at 3.6% during Q2. The broader U-6 unemployment rate tightened from 6.9% to 6.7%. A strong job market likely emboldens the Federal Reserve in its fight against high inflation, as the Fed holds a dual mandate to maximize employment and keep prices stable.
- Consumer sentiment collapsed to the lowest reading on record, according to the University of Michigan survey, which moved from 59.4 to 50.0. Survey respondents across all income, age, education, region, and political affiliation groups displayed deterioration in their outlook for the economy. Nearly half of respondents feel that inflation is damaging living standards.

	Most Recent	12 Months Prior
Real GDP (YoY)	1.6% 6/30/22	12.2% 6/30/21
Inflation (CPI YoY, Core)	5.9% 6/30/22	4.4% 6/30/21
Expected Inflation (5yr-5yr forward)	2.1% 6/30/22	2.2% 6/30/21
Fed Funds Target Range	1.50% – 1.75% 6/30/22	0.00% – 0.25% 6/30/21
10-Year Rate	2.89% 6/30/22	1.45% 6/30/21
U-3 Unemployment	3.6% 6/30/22	5.9% 6/30/21
U-6 Unemployment	6.7% 6/30/22	9.8% 6/30/21



GDP growth

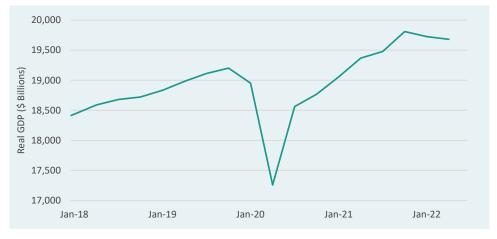
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labeled as an official recession.

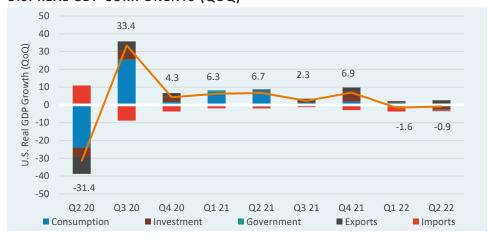
A variety of economic data indicates further deceleration, and sentiment remains very poor across citizens and businesses. In July, the IMF cut its U.S. 2022 GDP growth forecast from 2.9% to 2.3%. The Federal Reserve's objective of a "soft landing" for the economy appears to have failed. An increasingly aggressive stance throughout the first half of the year contributed to a bear market for equities and other risk assets, as well as sharp losses for bonds. The negative wealth effect of market losses, paired with a slowdown in bigger ticket purchases such as homes and automobiles has created a drop in economic activity.

The U.S. has likely entered recession

U.S. REAL GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT



U.S. REAL GDP COMPONENTS (QOQ)



Source: FRED, as of 6/30/22

Source: FRED, as of 6/30/22



Inflation

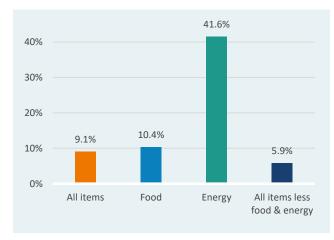
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We believe there is a rising chance of economic deceleration coinciding with a drop in inflation. There appear to be a variety of forces that could contribute to this scenario, such as: the recent sharp fall in commodity prices, Federal Reserve tightening which has contributed to a slowdown in consumer demand, further easing of supply chain and shipping problems which reduces cost burdens on businesses, and reports that many businesses have *overbought* inventories which could lead to excesses and the need to offer more attractive pricing for quicker inventory liquidation.

U.S. CPI (YOY)



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MONTHLY PRICE MOVEMENT



Source: BLS, as of 6/30/22 Source: BLS, as of 6/30/22



Source: BLS, as of 6/30/22

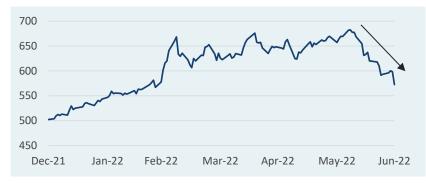
How are inflation conditions evolving?

CPI SHELTER COSTS (YEAR-OVER-YEAR)



Shelter costs, which account for 32% of CPI gauge, have moved considerably higher along with the broader real estate boom. The continuation of this trend could result in a higher floor for inflation near-term. This is possible since shelter CPI is survey-based and slow moving as consumers tend to anchor their survey responses on recent data.

BLOOMBERG COMMODITY SPOT INDEX



Fears of a recession which would hinder the demand for commodities, and likely some easing of uncertainty around Ukraine, have contributed to a sharp drop in commodity prices. If weaker prices persist, the reversal in commodity markets should have a deflationary impact on broader consumer prices, though this effect may take time to flow through to broader prices.

Source: FRED, as of 6/30/22 (upper), Bloomberg, as of 6/30/22 (lower)

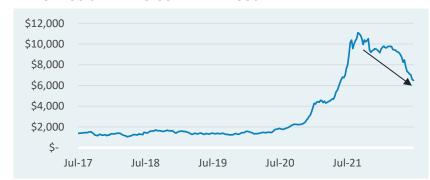
USED CAR & TRUCK PRICES



Used auto prices remain high as the shortage of cars continues. If this pandemic-related price rise reverses, it could bring inflation down materially.

Inflation
dynamics are
complex. On
this slide we
take a look at
a few
potentially
inflationary
forces and
deflationary
forces

FREIGHTOS SHIPPING CONTAINER COST INDEX



Pandemic-related supply and demand complexities contributed to many supply shortages and price spikes. These shipping costs are quickly falling back towards pre-pandemic levels. We would expect the mitigation of shipping problems to have a deflationary effect on prices, assuming businesses begin to pass these cost savings on to customers.

Source: FRED, as of 6/30/22 (upper), Freightos, as of 7/10/22 (lower)



Labor market

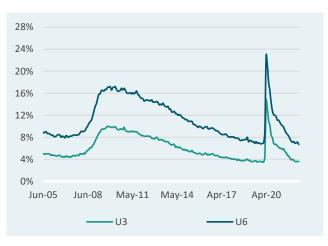
The U.S. labor market continues to be strong. Unemployment was unchanged at 3.6% during the quarter. Meanwhile, the broader U-6 unemployment rate, which includes workers who are underemployed and those who are unemployed but have given up looking for work, tightened from 6.9% to 6.7%. Weekly *initial jobless claims* —a measure of the number of workers who filed for unemployment during any given week —moved higher during the quarter from a low of 166,000 in mid-March to 244,000 in early July.

A strong job market likely emboldens the Federal Reserve in

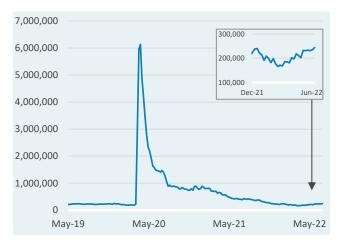
its fight against high inflation, as the Fed holds a *dual* mandate to maximize employment and keep prices stable.

Abnormally early retirements of older workers during the pandemic had a large impact on the overall U.S. labor participation rate. While workers younger than age 55 have gradually gone back to work, much of the age 55+ cohort has not returned to the job market. In fact, more workers in the 55+ age cohort have dropped out of the labor force in 2022 than returned. Overall, there are materially fewer workers available nationwide now relative to pre-pandemic times.

U.S. UNEMPLOYMENT



INITIAL JOBLESS CLAIMS



U.S. LABOR PARTICIPATION RATE



Source: FRED, as of 7/9/22 Source: FRED, as of 6/30/22



Source: FRED, as of 6/30/22

The consumer

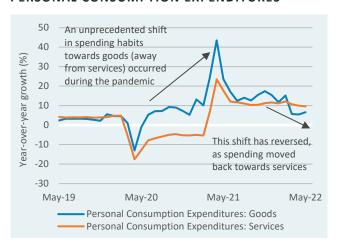
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At the same time overall spending has slowed, savings rates have also dropped to 5.4%—the lowest level since 2009. Less saving but also less spending (inflation-adjusted) may

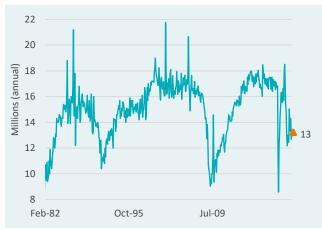
indicate that household budgets are being squeezed by the higher prices of goods and services.

Auto sales activity remains very weak, at levels that have historically occurred during recession. The long-lasting semiconductor shortage has created widespread difficulties for auto manufacturers and has led to skyrocketing used vehicle prices. We also suspect that stimulus checks and heightened spending habits during the pandemic are contributing to the current slowdown, as this spending may have effectively *pulled forward* spending that would have otherwise occurred in years subsequent to the pandemic.

PERSONAL CONSUMPTION EXPENDITURES

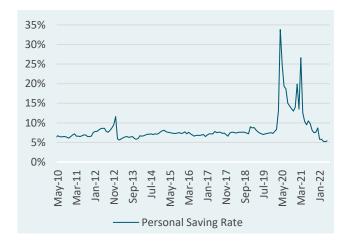


AUTO SALES



Source: Federal Reserve, as of 6/30/22

PERSONAL SAVINGS RATE



Source: FRED, as of 5/31/22



Source: FRED, as of 5/31/22

Sentiment

Consumer sentiment collapsed to the lowest reading on record, according to the University of Michigan survey, which fell from 59.4 to 50.0 during Q2. Survey respondents across all income, age, education, region, and political affiliation groups showed deterioration in their outlook for the economy. Nearly half of respondents pointed to inflation as damaging living standards. Around 79% of respondents expected bad times over the next year for business conditions, which was the highest reading since 2009.

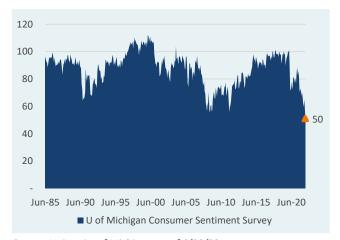
In a June Economist/YouGov Poll, more than half of respondents said they believe the U.S. is in recession. Of those respondents, 43% called the recession moderate and 38% called it serious (only

19% called it mild). Interestingly, the survey suggested that most Americans view *the prices they pay for goods and services* as the most important indicator of recession. Much of the blame was generally placed on supply chain issues and COVID-19 for economic woes.

The NFIB Small Business Optimism index dropped substantially to the weakest level in 48 years. According to NFIB, expected business conditions have further weakened in every month of 2022. Twenty-eight percent of small businesses reported that inflation was the greatest problem to business operations. Owners remain pessimistic about the second half of 2022 and foresee supply chain issues, higher input prices, and labor shortages.

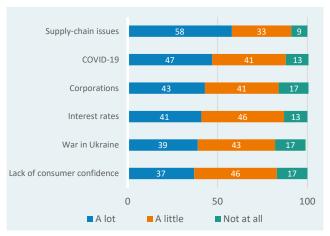
Sentiment, by most measures, is extremely poor

CONSUMER SENTIMENT



Source: University of Michigan, as of 6/30/22

WHAT TO BLAME FOR ECONOMIC PROBLEMS?



Source: The Economist / YouGov, June 11-14, 2022

Survey asked "How much, if at all, do you attribute economic problems in the U.S. to the following"?

NFIB SMALL BUSINESS SENTIMENT





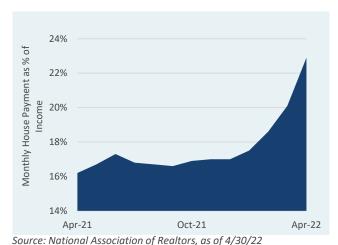
Housing

U.S. home prices rose 2.1% from March to April, continuing steady appreciation. Home prices were 7.9% higher year-todate, as of April, and 20.3% higher year-over-year. The average 30-year fixed rate mortgage began the year at 2.67% and ended June at 5.70%.

High home prices coupled with a material jump in mortgage interest rates has acted as a double whammy for potential homebuyers. According to the National Association of Realtors, the cost for a family with an average income to buy an average priced home jumped from around 16% of that family's income one year ago, to more than 22% of that family's income in April (a 38% increase in overall cost). Housing and rent prices have contributed to higher inflation.

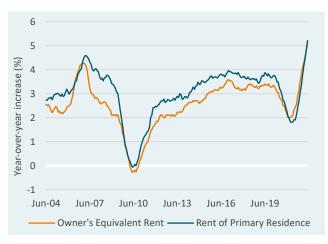
Historically, larger jumps in interest rates resulted in a softening of the real estate market and placed downward pressure on home values, all else equal. This effect appears to be occurring somewhat in recent months, as home sales have fallen to pre-pandemic levels and bidding wars have become less frequent. Conditions may result in a moderation of the real estate market, though continued tight inventory levels could act as an ongoing support to high prices.

CHANGE IN HOUSING AFFORDABILITY



Census Bureau median family income is compared here to the monthly Source: FRED, as of 5/31/22 cost (principal + interest) of an average priced home

HOUSING & RENT COSTS



HOME SALES ACTIVITY



Source: Bloomberg, as of 5/31/22



International economics summary

- Economic growth has moderated in most countries, moving toward average levels. Higher inflation continues to erode growth figures as GDP is typically quoted as inflation-adjusted growth.
- Inflation trends continue to be disparate around the world. Japan and China are experiencing very low inflation and muted price pressures, while Europe and the United States are coping with multidecade-high inflation.
 Countries with low inflation and countries with high inflation all appear to have experienced an uptick during the second quarter.
- Labor markets have been relatively stable in developed markets, with conditions in the Eurozone strengthening. Unemployment in emerging markets were mixed—Brazil and Russia experienced improvement, while India and China saw slight weakening.

- Russia's invasion of Ukraine continued in the second quarter, leading to heavy loss of life on both sides. Most fighting has taken place in the east, as Russia generally gradually pushing forward.
 Concerns around food shortages in nearby countries that depend on Ukrainian agriculture persist, though many commodity prices that had shot higher in March and April have eased, falling closer to pre-invasion costs.
- During the first week of July, millions of Chinese citizens were put back into lockdown, and subjected to mass testing, as small outbreaks have led to renewed restrictions. China continues to stick to a "zero COVID" approach, which is increasingly at odds with the recognition by most nations that civilization will have to live with the virus for the long-term, while moving back to normal life.

Area	GDP (Real, YoY)	Inflation (CPI, YoY)	Unemployment			
United States	1.6%	9.1%	3.6%			
	6/30/22	6/30/22	6/30/22			
Eurozone	5.4% 3/31/22	8.6% 6/30/22	6.6% 5/31/22			
Japan	0.4%	2.3%	2.6%			
	3/31/22	6/30/22	5/31/22			
BRICS	4.4% 3/31/22	4.6%	5.2%			
Nations		6/30/22	12/31/21			
Brazil	1.7%	11.9%	9.8%			
	3/31/22	6/30/22	5/31/22			
Russia	3.5%	15.9%	3.9%			
	3/31/22	6/30/22	5/31/22			
India	4.1%	7.0%	7.8%			
	3/31/22	6/30/22	6/30/22			
China	4.8%	2.5%	5.9%			
	3/31/22	6/30/22	5/31/22			

NOTE: India lacks reliable government unemployment data. Unemployment rate shown above is estimated from the Centre for Monitoring Indian Economy. The Chinese unemployment rate represents the monthly surveyed urban unemployment rate in China.



International economics

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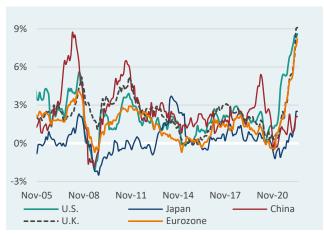
For some central banks, the issue of fighting inflation has been made more challenging given economic deceleration, as overly aggressive monetary policy might quickly send an economy into recession. Inflation has become a lightning rod for political leaders, as rising prices squeeze household budgets and standards of living.

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REAL GDP GROWTH (YOY)



INFLATION (CPI YOY)



Source: Bloomberg, as of 5/31/22 – or most recent release

UNEMPLOYMENT



Source: Bloomberg, as of 6/30/22 – or most recent release



Source: Bloomberg, as of 6/30/22

Fixed income rates & credit



Fixed income environment

- The 10-year U.S. Treasury yield jumped during Q2 from 2.34% to nearly 3.50%, ending the quarter at 2.89%. Yields have fallen from their highs as recession fears mount. The Federal Reserve has a history of cutting interest rates during recession. This implies a higher chance of rate cuts as it appears the U.S. may currently be in recession.
- Credit markets sold off during Q2, impacted by concerns of a slowing economy and recession as the Fed signaled a willingness to raise rates until inflation slows. Bank loans performed the best at -4.4% and outperformed longer duration bonds such as investment grade and high yield (-7.3% and -9.8%, respectively).
- Credit spreads jumped considerably alongside the broader market selloff. U.S. high yield spreads increased from 3.4% to 5.6% and U.S. investment grade spreads headed from 1.2% to 1.6%. In

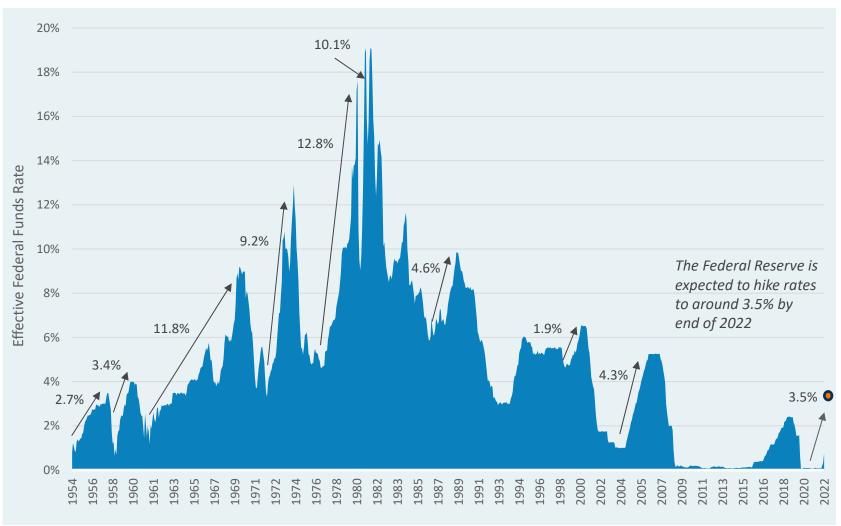
- contrast to the recent low yield environment, fixed income now offers investors more robust yields.
- The U.S. yield curve remained fairly flat during the second quarter. The 10-year minus 2-year yield spread fluctuated between -0.05% and 0.4%. Markets continue to price a flat or inverted yield curve, which is generally recognized as a sign of incoming recession.
- In June, the U.S. Federal Reserve began to unwind its \$9 trillion balance sheet. Initially this action involved not purchasing new bonds and letting existing bonds mature and roll off. The Fed signaled plans to allow \$30 billion of U.S. Treasuries and \$17.5 billion of mortgage-backed securities to fall off the balance sheet by end of month. Leadership has admitted that this size of divestment program is essentially the first of its kind and that the committee will be moving with caution.

	QTD Total Return	1 Year Total Return
Core Fixed Income (Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate)	(4.7%)	(10.3%)
Core Plus Fixed Income (Bloomberg U.S. Universal)	(5.1%)	(10.9%)
U.S. Treasuries (Bloomberg U.S. Treasury)	(3.8%)	(8.9%)
U.S. High Yield (Bloomberg U.S. Corporate HY)	(9.8%)	(12.8%)
Bank Loans (S&P/LSTA Leveraged Loan)	(4.4%)	(2.7%)
Emerging Market Debt Local (JPM GBI-EM Global Diversified)	(8.6%)	(19.3%)
Emerging Market Debt Hard (JPM EMBI Global Diversified)	(11.4%)	(21.1%)
Mortgage-Backed Securities (Bloomberg MBS)	(4.0%)	(9.0%)

Source: Bloomberg, as of 6/30/22



How does this tightening cycle stack up?



This tightening cycle is milder than most, in terms of total magnitude of hikes

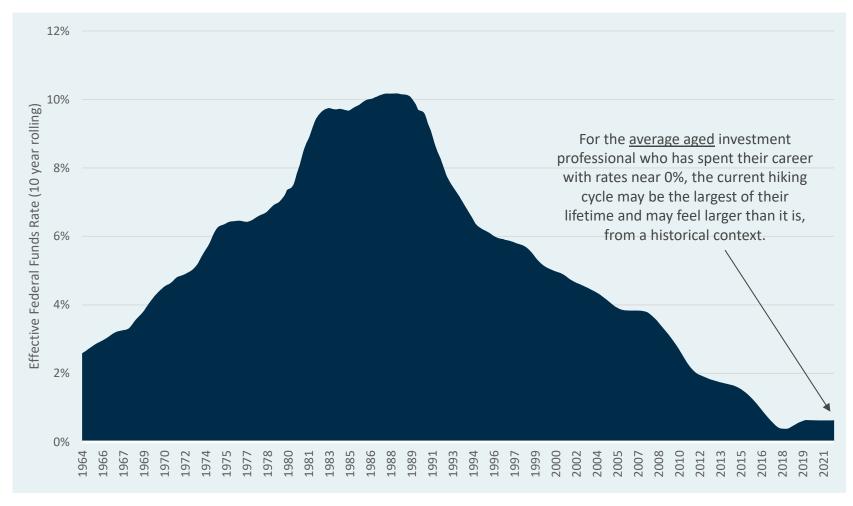
The Fed's plans to reduce their large balance sheet does pose a unique challenge relative to past cycles, however

Source: FRED, as of 6/30/22 - rate hiking cycle of each economic cycle shown



How does this tightening cycle stack up?

10 YEAR ROLLING AVERAGE FED FUNDS LEVEL



Source: FRED, Verus, as of 6/30/22

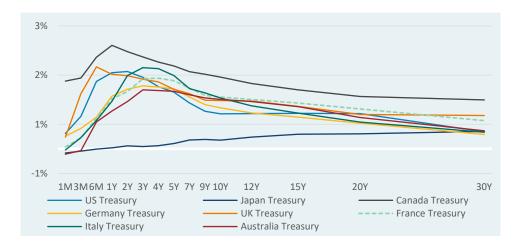


Yield environment

U.S. YIELD CURVE

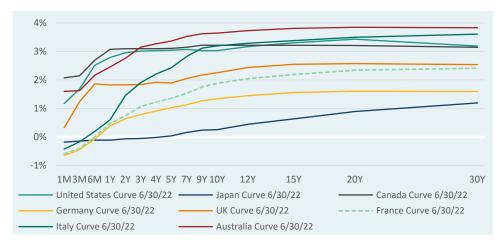


YIELD CURVE CHANGES OVER LAST FIVE YEARS



Source: Bloomberg, as of 6/30/22

GLOBAL GOVERNMENT YIELD CURVES



IMPLIED CHANGES OVER NEXT YEAR





Credit environment

Credit markets experienced a broad selloff over the quarter impacted by concerns of slowing economic growth and recession as the Fed signaled a willingness to raise rates until inflation slows. Bank loans performed the best, returning -4.4% and outperforming higher duration exposures such as investment grade and high yield corporate credit which returned -7.3% and -9.8%, respectively. The decline in high yield was the third worst quarterly decline since 2000, behind the 18% decline experienced during Q4 of 2008 and the 13% decline experienced during Q1 of 2020.

Risk-off sentiment and elevated concerns over economic growth prospects contributed to spread widening during the quarter. Investment grade credit spreads increased 39 basis points to end the quarter at 155

bps. High yield spreads increased 163 basis points to end the quarter and 569 bps which was above the long term non-recessionary average of 454 bps.

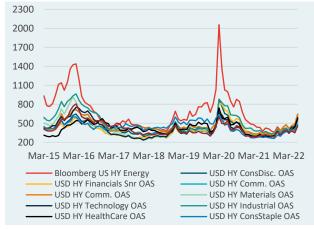
At the end of June, the Bloomberg US High Yield Index offered a yield just shy of 9%, up more than 4% from the beginning of the year. While these levels appear attractive in the context of the recent low yield environment, there is still potential for spreads to widen from these levels if recession concerns worsen.

SPREADS



Source: Barclays, Bloomberg, as of 6/30/22

HIGH YIELD SECTOR SPREADS (BPS)



Source: Bloomberg, as of 6/30/22

	Credit Spread (OAS)										
Market	6/30/22	6/30/21									
Long U.S. Corp	1.9%	1.2%									
U.S. Inv Grade Corp	1.6%	0.8%									
U.S. High Yield	5.7%	2.7%									
U.S. Bank Loans*	5.9%	4.3%									

Source: Barclays, Credit Suisse, Bloomberg, as of 6/30/22

*Discount margin (4-year life)



Default & issuance

Default activity picked up in the second quarter with seven companies defaulting on loans and bonds, totaling \$15.6 billion. While default volumes have increased from the \$1.2 billion experienced last quarter and \$9.8 billion experienced throughout 2021, the volumes are in line with the 5-year quarterly average of \$16 billion.

Default rates for par-weighted US high yield and bank loans ended the quarter at 0.76% and 0.74%, respectively—well below the longer-term historical averages of 3.2% and 3.1%. The default rate is expected to rise modestly over the remainder of 2022 and throughout 2023, given the prospects for lower growth, more restrictive financing rates, and an expected surge in rising stars exiting the high yield index. While modest

increases in default rates are expected, record bond and loan refinancing activity totaling over \$1 trillion in 2020 and 2021 has led to relatively healthy issuer fundamentals and very limited near-term financing needs.

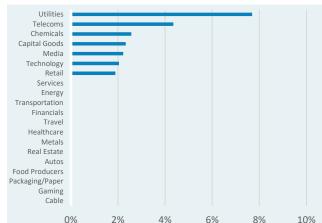
Leveraged credit issuance continued to be light amid high market volatility. The \$24.6 billion of high yield bonds issued over the quarter was the lowest issuance since the fourth quarter of 2018 and second lowest total since 2009. Similarly, bank loan issuance totaled \$60.6 billion, which was down from \$120.5 billion issued in the first quarter. Notably, nearly all of the loans issued over the quarter were SOFR-linked deals as the discontinuation of LIBOR is expected to occur at the end of June 2023.

HY DEFAULT RATE (ROLLING 1-YEAR)



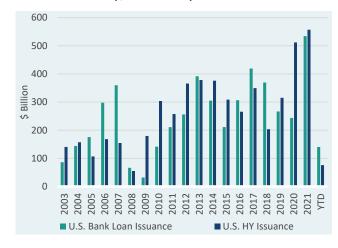
Source: BofA Merrill Lynch, as of 6/30/22

U.S. HY SECTOR DEFAULTS (LAST 12 MONTHS)



Source: BofA Merrill Lynch, as of 6/30/22 – par weighted

U.S. ISSUANCE (\$ BILLIONS)



Source: BofA Merrill Lynch, as of 6/30/22



Alternative credit

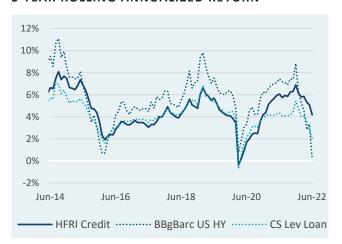
Credit hedge fund strategies succumbed to overwhelming risk-off moves in fixed income markets during the quarter. The HFRI Credit Index lost 3.2% for Q2, slightly outperforming loan markets as hedges helped offset spread widening. On a three-year rolling basis, alternative credit strategies outperformed high yield bonds by nearly 4% annualized. The only other time since 2008 (the inception of the index) that HFRI Credit outperformed high yield on a three-year basis was a brief period after the 2015 energy sector sell-off.

Looking closer within hedge fund credit, managers focused on structured credit remained the bright spot with only slightly negative returns for the

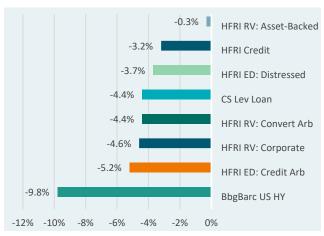
quarter and continued outperformance relative to other credit strategies and fixed income markets.

The magnitude of losses in traditional credit markets began to impact even those strategies which try to minimize duration and credit spread risk, such as convertible arbitrage and credit arbitrage. These strategies typically involve substantial leverage or basis risk, and are susceptible to large down moves in extreme stress periods.

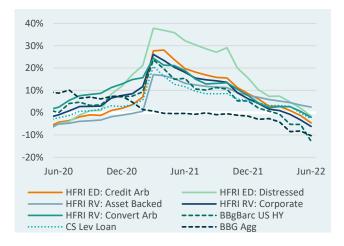
3 YEAR ROLLING ANNUALIZED RETURN



2Q 2022 QUARTERLY RETURN



1 YEAR ROLLING RETURN



Source: HFR, MPI, Morningstar, as of 6/30/22



Equity



Equity environment

- U.S. equities suffered large losses during the second quarter (S&P 500 -16.1%), as many highly priced growth stocks took an exceptionally large hit due to interest rate rises and risk-off sentiment. International developed equities (MSCI EAFE -14.5%) experienced similar losses, while emerging market equities (MSCI Emerging Markets -11.4%) outperformed materially, on an unhedged currency basis.
- As mentioned during Q2 earnings calls, a rising number of S&P 500 companies were concerned about material & commodity costs,
 COVID costs, and oil & gas prices. A decreasing number of companies were concerned about labor costs & shortages, supply chain disruptions, transport & freight costs, and Russia/Ukraine.
- Currency movement generated large losses for investors who do not hedge their foreign currency exposure. Investors in international

- developed markets would have seen a loss of approximately -7.3% with a currency hedging program, rather than the -14.5% loss of unhedged investors. Over the past full year, losses from currency movement were -12.4%.
- Value stocks outperformed Growth stocks by a wide margin again in Q2 (Russell 1000 Value -12.2% vs Russell 1000 Growth -20.9%) as many Growth stocks with lofty valuations suffered due to rising interest rates and broader risk-off sentiment. Large capitalization stocks outperformed small cap stocks slightly (Russell 1000 -16.7%, Russell 2000 -17.2%).
- The Cboe VIX Index rose during the quarter from 20.6% to 28.7%, as risk assets sold-off and investors began focusing on potential recession. Investors remain acutely focused on the path of inflation, and market volatility may ease if inflation does in fact begin to moderate in future months.

	QTD TOTA	L RETURN	1 YEAR TOT	AL RETURN			
	(unhedged)	(hedged)	(unhedged)	(hedged)			
U.S. Large Cap (S&P 500)	(16.	1%)	(10.	6%)			
U.S. Small Cap (Russell 2000)	(17.	1%)	(25.	2%)			
U.S. Equity (Russell 3000)	(16.	7%)	(13.	9%)			
U.S. Large Value (Russell 1000 Value)	(12.	2%)	(6.8%)				
US Large Growth (Russell 1000 Growth)	(20.	9%)	(18.8%)				
Global Equity (MSCI ACWI)	(15.7%)	(13.5%)	(15.8%)	(12.1%)			
International Large (MSCI EAFE)	(14.5%)	(7.3%)	(17.8%)	(5.4%)			
Eurozone (Euro Stoxx 50)	(15.3%)	(9.2%)	(23.1%)	(11.3%)			
U.K. (FTSE 100)	(11.2%)	(3.6%)	(7.1%)	6.2%			
Japan (NIKKEI 225)	(14.8%)	(4.2%)	(23.8%)	(6.0%)			
Emerging Markets (MSCI Emerging Markets)	(11.4%)	(8.2%)	(25.3%)	(21.5%)			

Source: Russell Investments, MSCI, STOXX, FTSE, Nikkei, as of 6/30/22



Domestic equity

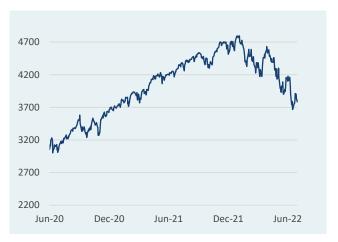
U.S. equities saw sharp losses during the second quarter (S&P 500 -16.1%), underperforming global markets (MSCI ACWI ex-US -13.7%). U.S. sector dispersion was wide, with consumer discretionary stocks suffering the worst pain (-26.2%) and consumer staples faring the best (-4.6%).

Calendar year 2022 bottom-up earnings estimates for the S&P 500 improved slightly during the quarter, despite the equity bear market. A rosier earnings outlook was fueled mostly by the energy and materials sectors, while consumer discretionary and communication services sectors saw worsening expectations. According to Factset, an increased

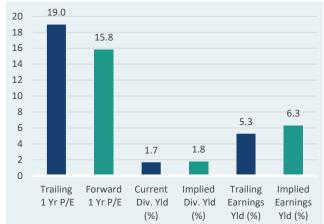
number of companies issued negative earnings guidance during the quarter, though the balance of companies offering positive and negative guidance remains in a relatively normal range.

According to Q2 earnings calls, a rising number of S&P 500 companies were concerned about material & commodity costs, COVID costs, and oil & gas prices. A decreasing number of S&P 500 companies were concerned about labor costs & shortages, supply chain disruptions, transport & freight costs, and the economic impacts of Russia's invasion of Ukraine.

S&P 500 PRICE INDEX

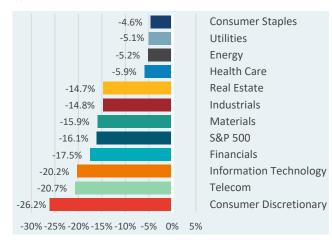


S&P VALUATION SNAPSHOT



Source: Bloomberg, as of 6/30/22

Q2 SECTOR PERFORMANCE



Source: Morningstar, as of 6/30/22



Source: Standard & Poor's, as of 6/30/22

Domestic equity size & style

Value stocks outperformed Growth stocks by a wide margin once again in the second quarter (Russell 1000 Value -12.2% vs Russell 1000 Growth -20.9%) as many Growth stocks with lofty valuations suffered due to rising interest rates and broader risk-off sentiment. Large capitalization stocks outperformed small capitalization stocks slightly (Russell 1000 -16.7%, Russell 2000 -17.2%).

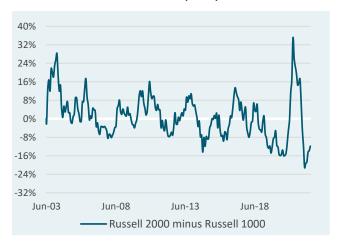
The recent drawdown of Growth stocks has helped partially close the historically wide price gap between Value and Growth, as reflected in the bottom right chart. Sector trends contributed to style performance during the quarter. The energy sector

outperformed, and information technology was a poor performer. Other Value-concentrated sectors such as financials and materials performed closely in line with the overall index.

In last quarter's research commentary we mentioned that further tightening of Fed policy and interest rate hikes would likely impact Value and Growth stock behavior. This foresight was valid and we believe will remain so. Further Fed hawkishness and market risk-off behavior may lead to additional Growth underperformance, but a reversal by the Federal Reserve and easing of interest rates may bolster the returns of Growth, all else equal.

A rebound in Value continued during Q2

SMALL CAP VS LARGE CAP (YOY)

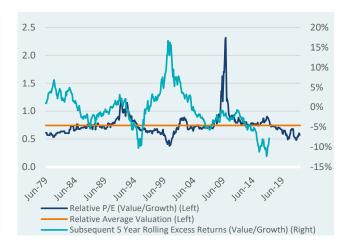


VALUE VS GROWTH (YOY)



Source: FTSE, as of 6/30/22

VALUE VS. GROWTH RELATIVE VALUATIONS



Source: Standard & Poor's, as of 6/30/22

Source: FTSE, as of 6/30/22

International developed equity

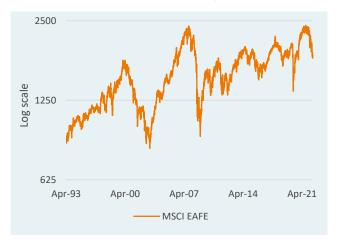
International developed equities fell during the quarter (MSCI EAFE -14.5%), mildly outperforming U.S. equities (S&P 500 -16.1%) and materially underperforming emerging market equities (MSCI Emerging Markets -11.4%), on an unhedged currency basis.

Currency movement during the quarter generated large losses for investors who do not hedge foreign currency exposure. Investors in international developed markets would have seen a loss of approximately -7.3% with a currency hedging program, rather than the -14.5% loss if

currency was left unhedged. Over the past year, investors in international equities with a currency hedging program would have experienced roughly a -5.4% return, compared to a return of -17.8% if currency was left unhedged.

Eurozone equities provided the poorest performers during the quarter (MSCI Euro -11.1%), as EUR/USD reached parity for the first time in nearly 20 years. The United Kingdom market (MSCI UK 1.8%) and Japanese market (MSCI Japan -6.6%) lifted the overall MSCI EAFE Index.

INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPED EQUITY

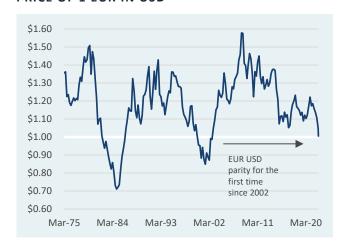


EFFECT OF CURRENCY (1-YEAR ROLLING)



Source: MSCI, as of 6/30/22

PRICE OF 1 EUR IN USD



Source: Bloomberg, as of 7/14/22



Source: MSCI, as of 6/30/22

Emerging market equity

Emerging market equities have delivered broad outperformance throughout the global risk asset drawdown (MSCI EM -11.4%, MSCI ACWI -15.7%) on an unhedged currency basis. A bounce-back in Chinese equities over the quarter (MSCI China 3.5%) from their sharp recent losses helped lift overall performance of the asset class. Latin American markets lagged Asian markets (MSCI EM Latin America -21.9%%, MSCI EM Asia -9.3%), reversing last quarter's gains.

Strong returns from the consumer discretionary sector (12.9%)—the largest sector in the MSCI China Index—propelled

Chinese equity performance forward. Outside of Chinese equities, emerging markets struggled, as central banks around the world tightened policy to fight inflation. Emerging market countries whose economies are reliant on raw goods exports were particularly impacted by tightening, as global commodity prices have drawn down from peaks seen earlier in the year.

The strong dollar also provided a headwind to emerging market equity returns, as currency movement resulted in a -3.2% loss. Emerging market currencies remain far weaker than the historical average, which may allow performance upside if mean reversion were to occur.

EMERGING MARKET EQUITY



Source: MSCI, as of 6/30/22

Q2 PERFORMANCE - TOP 10 EM CONSTITUENTS



Source: Bloomberg, MSCI as of 6/30/22, performance in USD terms

MSCI CHINA Q2 SECTOR PERFORMANCE



Source: Bloomberg, MSCI as of 6/30/22, performance in USD terms



Equity valuations

Valuations fell substantially during the market selloff, bringing multiples closer in line with long-term historical averages. U.S. earnings forecasts have held strong, and analysts expect 2022 calendar year earnings growth of 10.4%. However, these earnings forecasts arguably contain greater uncertainty, given higher interest rates, higher input prices, and weakening consumer demand. The path of corporate earnings in 2022 will be a key variable in determining whether equity markets recover, remain subdued, or fall further. The bottom-up S&P 500 12-month analyst price target was 4,987 as of June 23rd.

Domestic equity valuations remain elevated relative to international developed and emerging markets, which translates to U.S. equities offering a lower yield and likely lower prospective total performance over the longer-term. Domestic equities trade at roughly a 50% valuation premium over international developed equities on a trailing price/earnings basis, and a 75% valuation premium over emerging market equities. While we are more pessimistic around the outlook for international developed equities and believe cheaper prices are justified, we are bullish around emerging markets which appear to offer attractive returns in the current environment.

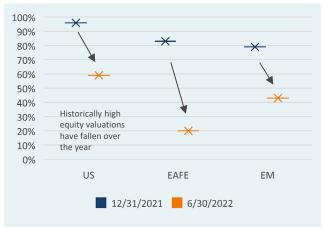
Most equity valuations have moved back towards normal levels, though U.S. prices remain rich

FORWARD P/E RATIOS



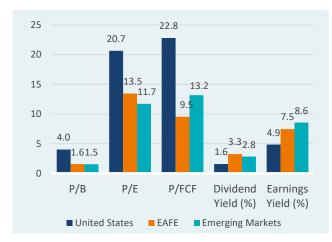
Source: MSCI, 12m forward P/E, as of 6/30/22

FORWARD P/E PERCENTILE RANKINGS



Source: Bloomberg, MSCI, as of 6/30/22

VALUATION METRICS (3-MONTH AVERAGE)



Source: Bloomberg, MSCI as of 6/30/22 - trailing P/E



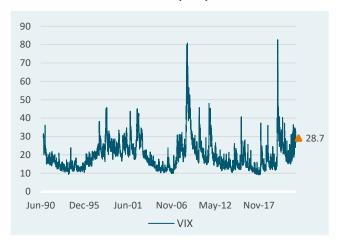
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Realized volatility of equity markets over the past year has remained within an average range. U.S. markets were the most volatile relative to developed and emerging markets. This dynamic has been rare historically, and is likely driven in part by inflation and recession risks that are especially high in the United States.

The 2022 equity bear market, while fairly moderate in speed and magnitude by historical standards, may justifiably feel severe for investors due to the broad-based nature of the selloff. Fixed income has delivered notable losses, failing to provide the diversification which investors expect. Commodities were a bright spot in Q1, but a sharp reversal in June led to quarterly Q2 loss of -5.7%. Currency markets also moved against investors, as U.S. dollar appreciation further compounded losses for unhedged international asset exposure. It seems there was nowhere to hide except for cash during the second quarter.

U.S. IMPLIED VOLATILITY (VIX)



REALIZED VOLATILITY



Source: Standard & Poor's, MSCI, as of 6/30/22

S&P 500 PEAK DRAWDOWNS



Source: Bloomberg, as of 6/30/22



Source: Choe, as of 6/30/22

Long-term equity performance



Source: Morningstar, as of 6/30/22



Other assets



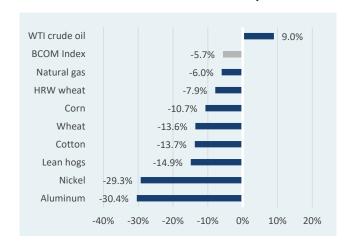
Commodities

The Bloomberg Commodity Index fell -10.8% during June, bringing the second quarter return to -5.7%. Industrial metals (-26.4%) and precious metals (-10.5%) experienced the largest losses, while energy (7.0%) and petroleum (13.7%) marched higher around fears of a potential global energy shortage, though many prices reversed their gains in June.

Early in 2022 many investors expressed fears about a potential global commodity supply shortage, perhaps fueled by underinvestment in production capacity preceding and throughout the COVID-19 recession. Russia's invasion of

Ukraine further amplified these fears and commodity price growth accelerated further. Later in the second quarter this trend appears to have reversed. Fears of a recession which would hinder the demand for commodities, and likely some easing of uncertainty around Ukraine, have contributed to a sharp drop in commodity prices. If weaker prices persist, the reversal in commodity markets should have a deflationary impact on broader consumer prices, though this effect may take time to flow through to broader prices. For example, lower oil prices have far-reaching impacts on the U.S. economy, such as on the transportation of goods, ground transportation and taxis, air travel, and the production of plastics.

BLOOMBERG COMMODITY INDEX - Q2 2022



S&P GSCI INDEX ROLL YIELD (LAST 12 MONTHS)



Source: Standard & Poor's, Bloomberg, as of 6/30/22

INDEX AND SECTOR PERFORMANCE

	Month	QTD	YTD	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	10 Year
Bloomberg Commodity	(10.8)	(5.7)	18.4	24.3	14.3	8.4	(0.8)
Bloomberg Agriculture	(9.1)	(5.7)	13.0	18.9	18.8	6.9	(1.2)
Bloomberg Energy	(14.6)	7.0	58.3	66.6	11.7	10.0	(4.7)
Bloomberg Grains	(11.7)	(7.1)	16.1	16.6	17.5	6.2	(2.1)
Bloomberg Industrial Metals	(16.0)	(26.4)	(9.6)	0.2	11.9	7.5	1.2
Bloomberg Livestock	(0.3)	(8.7)	(3.4)	(3.6)	(6.8)	(6.6)	(4.3)
Bloomberg Petroleum	(4.0)	13.7	63.5	79.4	19.5	18.1	(1.2)
Bloomberg Precious Metals	(3.1)	(10.5)	(4.4)	(4.8)	7.2	5.6	(0.8)
Bloomberg Softs	(5.9)	(4.3)	3.3	27.2	16.8	5.3	(3.2)

Source: Morningstar, as of 6/30/22



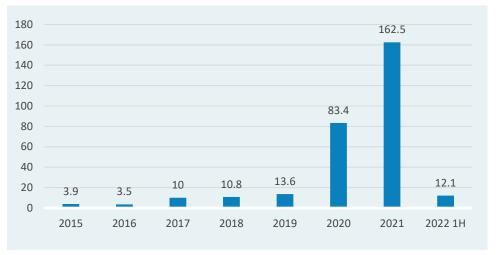
Source: Bloomberg, as of 6/30/22

SPACs development

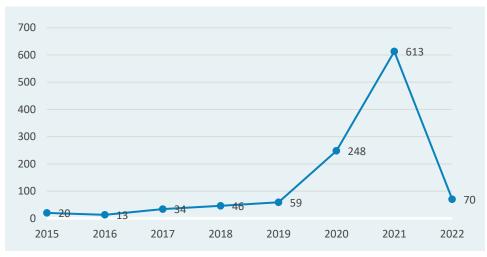
While SPACs proliferated between 2020 through 2021, coinciding with record retail investor trading volume, this activity has subsided notably in 2022.

Market volatility year-to-date and reduced market liquidity have rendered speculative areas of the markets, including SPACs, less attractive. Existing SPAC sponsors from 2020-2021 are struggling to source target deals for their mergers, rendering a large volume of SPAC sponsors at risk of returning their capital to investors without a successful deal executed. The required holding lock-up period after SPACs go public, as well as the impact of market volatility, have led many venture capital and private equity funds to reevaluate the viability of SPAC as an exit channel.

U.S. SPAC AMOUNT RAISED (\$BILLIONS)



NUMBER OF SPACIPOS



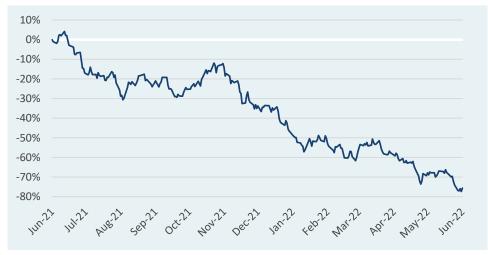
Source: SPAC Research, as of 6/30/22



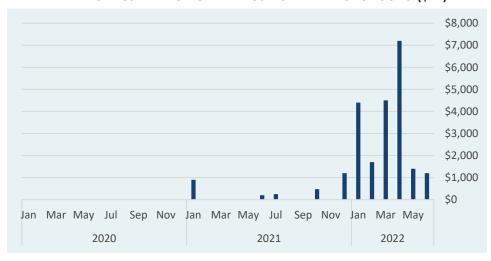
SPACs return analysis

- For **institutional investors**: A number of companies that initially went public via a merger with a SPAC have seen very large share price declines and have since been acquired by a competitor at a far lower price.
- For **retail investors**: Declining share prices of SPACs have eroded billions of dollars of value for shareholders who held SPACs after their acquisition deals.
- —Blank check companies have a history of surging and subsiding. During the 1980s, SPACs had boomed, and many were eventually wiped out when Congress passed more stringent regulations. The Securities Exchange Commission is currently tightening regulations around SPACs amid the resurgence.

DE-SPAC INDEX - CHANGE SINCE JUNE 17, 2021



WITHDRAWN SPACS - VALUE OF FILINGS PULLED BY SPONSORS (\$M)



Source: Bloomberg, as of 6/30/22



Appendix

Periodic table of returns

Small Cap Value

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	YTD	5-Year	10-Year
Commodities	31.8	14.0	25.9	56.3	26.0	34.5	32.6	39.8	5.2	79.0	29.1	14.3	18.6	43.3	13.5	13.3	31.7	37.3	6.7	36.4	38.5	28.3	18.4	14.3	14.8
Real Estate	22.8	8.4	10.3	48.5	22.2	21.4	26.9	16.2	1.4	37.2	26.9	7.8	18.1	38.8	13.2	5.7	21.3	30.2	1.9	31.4	34.6	27.6	5.3	11.0	12.8
Cash	12.2	7.3	6.7	47.3	20.7	20.1	23.5	15.8	-6.5	34.5	24.5	2.6	17.9	34.5	13.0	0.9	17.3	25.0	0.0	28.5	21.0	27.1	0.1	8.5	10.5
Hedge Funds of Funds	11.6	3.3	1.6	46.0	18.3	14.0	22.2	11.8	-21.4	32.5	19.2	1.5	17.5	33.5	11.8	0.6	12.1	22.2	-1.5	26.5	20.0	26.5	-6.3	8.4	9.6
US Bonds	7.0	2.8	1.0	39.2	16.5	7.5	18.4	11.6	-25.9	28.4	16.8	0.4	16.4	33.1	6.0	0.0	11.8	21.7	-3.5	25.5	18.3	25.2	-10.3	7.2	9.4
Large Cap Value	4.1	-2.4	-6.0	29.9	14.3	6.3	15.5	10.3	-33.8	23.3	16.1	-2.1	15.3	23.3	4.9	-0.8	11.2	14.6	-6.0	22.4	14.0	17.7	-12.9	5.2	9.3
Small Cap Value	6.0	2.5	-5.9	30.0	14.5	7.1	16.6	10.9	-28.9	27.2	16.7	0.1	16.3	32.5	5.6	-0.4	11.3	17.1	-4.8	22.0	10.3	14.8	-17.3	4.9	9.1
Emerging Markets Equity	-3.0	-5.6	-11.4	29.7	12.9	5.3	15.1	7.0	-35.6	20.6	15.5	-2.9	14.6	12.1	4.2	-1.4	8.0	13.7	-8.3	18.6	7.8	11.3	-17.6	4.8	5.4
60/40 Global Portfolio	-7.3	-9.1	-15.5	25.2	11.4	4.7	13.3	7.0	-36.8	19.7	13.1	-4.2	11.5	11.0	3.4	-2.5	7.1	7.8	-9.3	18.4	7.5	8.9	-17.7	4.2	5.4
International Equity	-7.8	-9.2	-15.7	23.9	9.1	4.6	10.4	5.8	-37.6	18.9	10.2	-5.5	10.5	9.0	2.8	-3.8	5.7	7.7	-11.0	8.7	4.6	6.5	-19.6	3.7	3.8
Large Cap Equity	-14.0	-12.4	-20.5	11.6	6.9	4.6	9.1	4.4	-38.4	11.5	8.2	-5.7	4.8	0.1	0.0	-4.4	2.6	7.0	-11.2	7.8	2.8	2.8	-20.9	2.2	3.1
Small Cap Equity	-22.4	-19.5	-21.7	9.0	6.3	4.2	4.8	-0.2	-38.5	5.9	6.5	-11.7	4.2	-2.0	-1.8	-7.5	1.0	3.5	-12.9	7.7	0.5	0.0	-23.4	2.2	1.5
Large Cap Growth	-22.4	-20.4	-27.9	4.1	4.3	3.2	4.3	-1.6	-43.1	0.2	5.7	-13.3	0.1	-2.3	-4.5	-14.9	0.5	1.7	-13.8	6.4	0.5	-1.5	-28.1	1.0	0.6
Small Cap Growth	-30.6	-21.2	-30.3	1.0	1.4	2.4	2.1	-9.8	-53.2	-16.9	0.1	-18.2	-1.1	-9.5	-17.0	-24.7	0.3	0.9	-14.6	2.1	-3.1	-2.5	-29.5	0.9	-0.8
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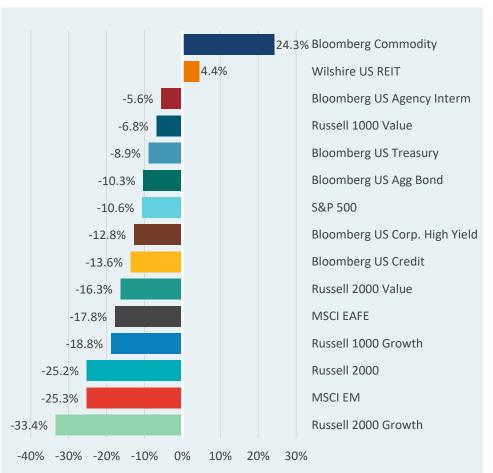
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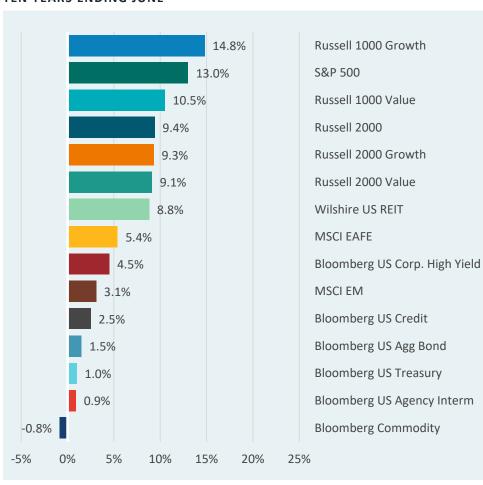


Major asset class returns

ONE YEAR ENDING JUNE



TEN YEARS ENDING JUNE



*Only publicly traded asset performance is shown here. Performance of private assets is typically released with a 3- to 6-month delay.

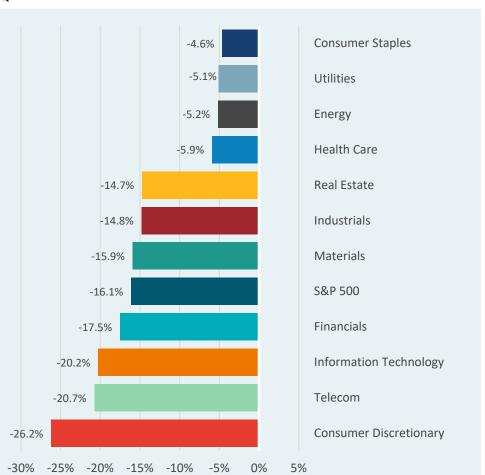
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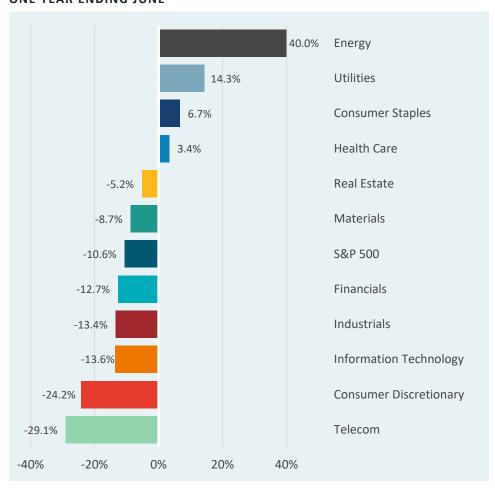


S&P 500 sector returns

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ONE YEAR ENDING JUNE



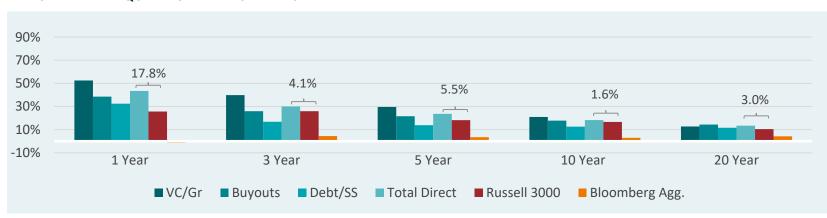
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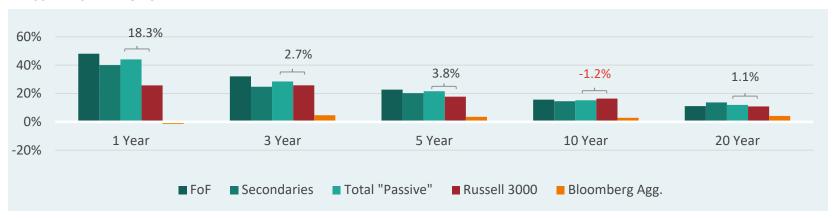
Private equity vs. traditional assets performance

DIRECT PRIVATE EQUITY FUND INVESTMENTS



Direct P.E Fund Investments outperformed comparable public equites across all time periods.

"PASSIVE" STRATEGIES



"Passive" strategies outperformed comparable public equities across all time periods, aside from the 10-year basis.

Sources: Refinitiv PME: U.S. Private Equity Funds sub asset classes as of December 31 2021. Public Market Equivalent returns resulted from "Total Passive" and Total Direct's identical cash flows invested into and distributed from respective traditional asset comparable.



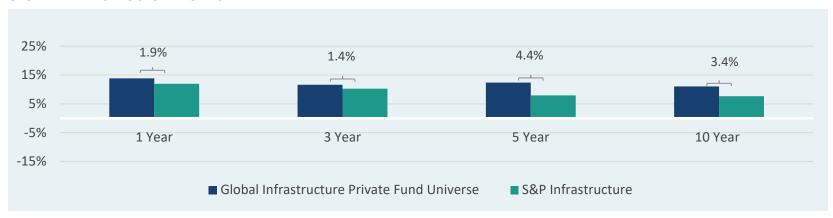
Private vs. liquid real assets performance

GLOBAL NATURAL RESOURCES FUNDS



N.R. funds underperformed the MSCI World Natural Resources benchmark across all time periods.

GLOBAL INFRASTRUCTURE FUNDS



Infra. funds outperformed the S&P Infra. across all periods.

Sources: Refinitiv PME: Global Natural Resources (vintage 1999 and later, inception of MSCI World Natural Resources benchmark) and Global Infrastructure (vintage 2002 and later, inception of S&P Infrastructure benchmark) universes as of December 31, 2021. Public Market Equivalent returns resulted from identical cash flows invested into and distributed from respective liquid real assets universes.



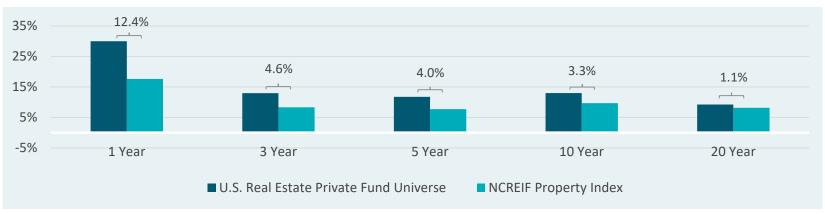
Private vs. liquid and core real estate performance

U.S. PRIVATE REAL ESTATE FUNDS VS. LIQUID UNIVERSE



U.S. Private R.E. funds underperformed the Wilshire U.S. REIT Index across all time periods, aside on a 5 and 10 -year basis.

U.S. PRIVATE REAL ESTATE FUNDS VS. CORE FUNDS



U.S. Private
R.E. Funds
outperformed
the NCREIF
Property Index
across all time
periods.

Sources: Refinitiv PME: U.S. Real Estate universes as of December 31, 2021. Public Market Equivalent returns resulted from identical cash flows invested into and distributed from respective liquid real estate universes.



Detailed index returns

DOMESTIC EQUITY								FIXED INCOME							
	Month	QTD	YTD	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	10 Year		Month	QTD	YTD	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	10 Year
Core Index								Broad Index							
S&P 500	(8.3)	(16.1)	(20.0)	(10.6)	10.6	11.3	13.0	Bloomberg US TIPS	(3.2)	(6.1)	(8.9)	(5.1)	3.0	3.2	1.7
S&P 500 Equal Weighted	(9.4)	(14.4)	(16.7)	(9.4)	9.7	9.9	12.7	Bloomberg US Treasury Bills	(0.0)	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.6	1.1	0.6
DJ Industrial Average	(6.6)	(10.8)	(14.4)	(9.1)	7.2	10.0	11.7	Bloomberg US Agg Bond	(1.6)	(4.7)	(10.3)	(10.3)	(0.9)	0.9	1.5
Russell Top 200	(7.8)	(16.6)	(20.7)	(11.5)	11.5	12.2	13.4	Bloomberg US Universal	(2.0)	(5.1)	(10.9)	(10.9)	(0.9)	0.9	1.8
Russell 1000	(8.4)	(16.7)	(20.9)	(13.0)	10.2	11.0	12.8	Duration							
Russell 2000	(8.2)	(17.2)	(23.4)	(25.2)	4.2	5.2	9.4	Bloomberg US Treasury 1-3 Yr	(0.6)	(0.5)	(3.0)	(3.5)	0.2	0.9	0.8
Russell 3000	(8.4)	(16.7)	(21.1)	(13.9)	9.8	10.6	12.6	Bloomberg US Treasury Long	(1.5)	(11.9)	(21.3)	(18.5)	(2.9)	0.5	1.6
Russell Mid Cap	(10.0)	(16.8)	(21.6)	(17.3)	6.6	8.0	11.3	Bloomberg US Treasury	(0.9)	(3.8)	(9.1)	(8.9)	(0.9)	0.7	1.0
Style Index								Issuer							
Russell 1000 Growth	(7.9)	(20.9)	(28.1)	(18.8)	12.6	14.3	14.8	Bloomberg US MBS	(1.6)	(4.0)	(8.8)	(9.0)	(1.4)	0.4	1.2
Russell 1000 Value	(8.7)	(12.2)	(12.9)	(6.8)	6.9	7.2	10.5	Bloomberg US Corp. High Yield	(6.7)	(9.8)	(14.2)	(12.8)	0.2	2.1	4.5
Russell 2000 Growth	(6.2)	(19.3)	(29.5)	(33.4)	1.4	4.8	9.3	Bloomberg US Agency Interm	(0.6)	(1.3)	(5.0)	(5.6)	(0.3)	0.8	0.9
Russell 2000 Value	(9.9)	(15.3)	(17.3)	(16.3)	6.2	4.9	9.1	Bloomberg US Credit	(2.6)	(6.9)	(13.8)	(13.6)	(1.0)	1.2	2.5
INTERNATIONAL EQUITY								OTHER							
Broad Index								Index							
MSCI ACWI	(8.4)	(15.7)	(20.2)	(15.8)	6.2	7.0	8.8	Bloomberg Commodity	(10.8)	(5.7)	18.4	24.3	14.3	8.4	(0.8)
MSCI ACWI ex US	(8.6)	(13.7)	(18.4)	(19.4)	1.4	2.5	4.8	Wilshire US REIT	(7.3)	(5.4)	(14.9)	4.4	7.4	7.5	8.8
MSCI EAFE	(9.3)	(14.5)	(19.6)	(17.8)	1.1	2.2	5.4	CS Leveraged Loans	(2.1)	(4.4)	(4.4)	(2.7)	2.0	3.0	3.9
MSCI EM	(6.6)	(11.4)	(17.6)	(25.3)	0.6	2.2	3.1	S&P Global Infrastructure	(7.7)	(7.4)	(0.5)	5.6	3.5	4.8	7.2
MSCI EAFE Small Cap	(11.0)	(17.7)	(24.7)	(24.0)	1.1	1.7	7.2	Alerian MLP	(14.0)	(7.4)	10.1	4.1	(1.2)	(1.2)	0.8
Style Index								Regional Index							
MSCI EAFE Growth	(8.6)	(16.9)	(26.8)	(23.8)	1.3	3.5	6.3	JPM EMBI Global Div	(6.2)	(11.4)	(20.3)	(21.2)	(5.2)	(1.2)	2.2
MSCI EAFE Value	(10.0)	(12.4)	(12.1)	(11.9)	0.2	0.5	4.2	JPM GBI-EM Global Div	(4.5)	(8.6)	(14.5)	(19.3)	(5.8)	(2.3)	(1.5)
Regional Index								Hedge Funds							
MSCI UK	(8.6)	(10.5)	(8.8)	(4.0)	1.2	2.2	3.7	HFRI Composite	(3.1)	(4.9)	(5.9)	(5.8)	6.1	5.0	5.0
MSCI Japan	(7.9)	(14.6)	(20.3)	(19.9)	1.0	1.8	5.6	HFRI FOF Composite	(0.9)	(3.6)	(6.3)	(5.2)	4.1	3.7	3.8
MSCI Euro	(11.3)	(15.8)	(25.2)	(23.8)	(1.1)	0.4	5.3	Currency (Spot)							
MSCI EM Asia	(4.8)	(9.3)	(17.2)	(25.9)	3.1	3.4	5.5	Euro	(2.4)	(6.0)	(8.1)	(11.8)	(2.8)	(1.7)	(1.9)
MSCI EM Latin American	(17.0)	(21.9)	(0.6)	(16.1)	(6.3)	(0.6)	(2.2)	Pound Sterling	(3.6)	(7.8)	(10.3)	(12.1)	(1.5)	(1.3)	(2.5)
								Yen	(5.3)	(10.7)	(15.2)	(18.3)	(7.4)	(3.7)	(5.2)

FIVED INCOME

Source: Morningstar, HFRI, as of 6/30/22.



DOMESTIC FOLLITY

Definitions

Bloomberg US Weekly Consumer Comfort Index - tracks the public's economic attitudes each week, providing a high-frequency read on consumer sentiment. The index, based on cell and landline telephone interviews with a random, representative national sample of U.S. adults, tracks Americans' ratings of the national economy, their personal finances and the buying climate on a weekly basis, with views of the economy's direction measured separately each month. (www.langerresearch.com)

University of Michigan Consumer Sentiment Index - A survey of consumer attitudes concerning both the present situation as well as expectations regarding economic conducted by the University of Michigan. For the preliminary release approximately three hundred consumers are surveyed while five hundred are interviewed for the final figure. The level of consumer sentiment is related to the strength of consumer spending. (www.Bloomberg.com)

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