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Quarterly Market Review Second Quarter 2024



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Second quarter 2024

This report features world capital market performance and a timeline of events for the past quarter. It begins with a global overview, then features the returns of stock and bond asset classes in the US and international markets. The report concludes with a quarterly topic.

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Quarterly Market Summary

Index returns

	US Stock Market	International Developed Stocks	Emerging Markets Stocks	Global Real Estate	US Bond Market	Global Bond Market ex US
Q2 2024		STO	CKS		ВО	NDS
	3.22%	-0.60%	5.00%	-1.48%	0.07%	0.11%
Since Jan. 2001						
Average Quarterly Return	2.4%	1.6%	2.5%	2.2%	0.9%	0.9%
Best	22.0%	25.9%	34.7%	32.3%	6.8%	5.4%
Quarter	2020 Q2	2009 Q2	2009 Q2	2009 Q3	2023 Q4	2023 Q4
Worst	-22.8%	-23.3%	-27.6%	-36.1%	-5.9%	-4.1%
Quarter	2008 Q4	2020 Q1	2008 Q4	2008 Q4	2022 Q1	2022 Q1

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Long-Term Market Summary

Index returns as of June 30, 2024

	US Stock Market	International Developed Stocks	Emerging Markets Stocks	Global Real Estate	US Bond Market	Global Bond Market ex US
1 Year		STO	CKS		ВОІ	NDS
	23.13%	11.22%	12.55%	5.10%	2.63%	5.26%
5 Years						
	14.14%	6.55%	3.10%	0.65%	-0.23%	0.51%
10 Years						
	12.15%	4.27%	2.79%	2.94%	1.35%	2.45%

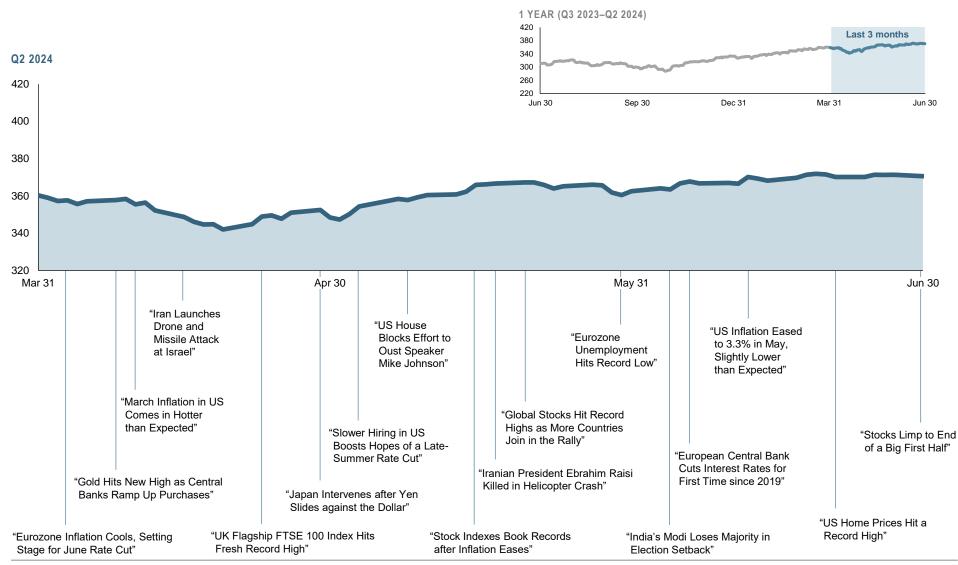
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World Stock Market Performance

MSCI All Country World Index with selected headlines from Q2 2024

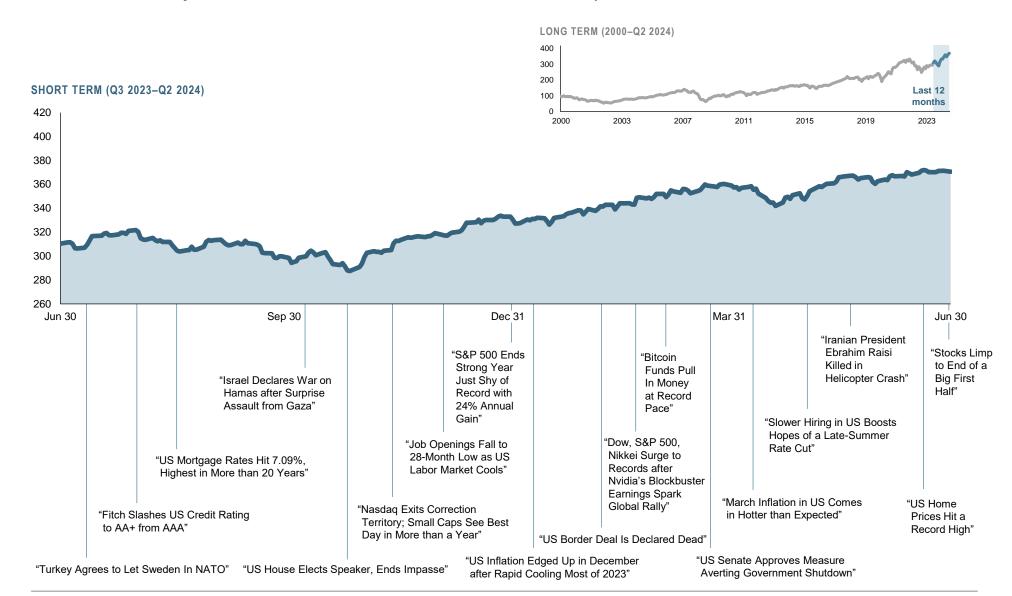


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World Stock Market Performance

MSCI All Country World Index with selected headlines from past 12 months



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US Stocks

Second quarter 2024 index returns

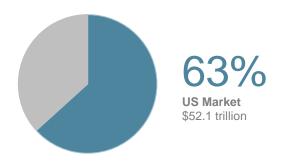
The US equity market posted positive returns for the quarter and outperformed non-US developed markets, but underperformed emerging markets.

Value underperformed growth.

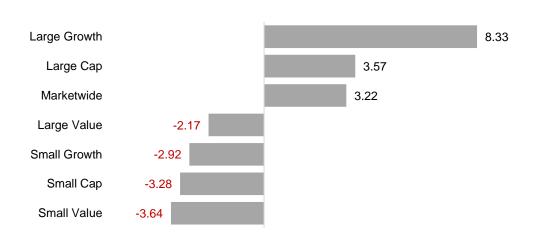
Small caps underperformed large caps.

REIT indices underperformed equity market indices.

World Market Capitalization—US



Ranked Returns (%)



Period Returns (%)

					Annualized	
Asset Class	QTR	YTD	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years
Large Growth	8.33	20.70	33.48	11.28	19.34	16.33
Large Cap	3.57	14.24	23.88	8.74	14.61	12.51
Marketwide	3.22	13.56	23.13	8.05	14.14	12.15
Large Value	-2.17	6.62	13.06	5.52	9.01	8.23
Small Growth	-2.92	4.44	9.14	-4.86	6.17	7.39
Small Cap	-3.28	1.73	10.06	-2.58	6.94	7.00
Small Value	-3.64	-0.85	10.90	-0.53	7.07	6.23

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International Developed Stocks

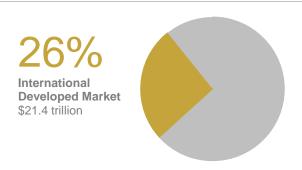
Second quarter 2024 index returns

Developed markets outside of the US posted negative returns for the quarter and underperformed both US and emerging markets.

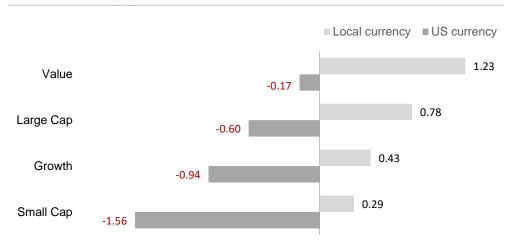
Value outperformed growth.

Small caps underperformed large caps.

World Market Capitalization—International Developed



Ranked Returns (%)



Period Returns (%)

					Annualized	
Asset Class	QTR	YTD	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years
Value	-0.17	4.03	13.17	5.45	6.21	3.06
Large Cap	-0.60	4.96	11.22	2.82	6.55	4.27
Growth	-0.94	5.91	9.36	0.02	6.46	5.23
Small Cap	-1.56	0.98	7.80	-2.98	4.69	4.04

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Emerging Markets Stocks

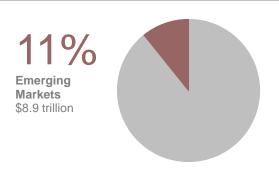
Second quarter 2024 index returns

Emerging markets posted positive returns for the quarter and outperformed both US and non-US developed markets.

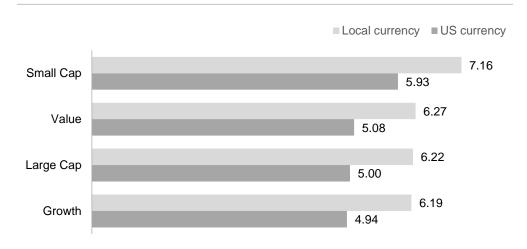
Value outperformed growth.

Small caps outperformed large caps.

World Market Capitalization—Emerging Markets



Ranked Returns (%)



Period Returns (%)

					Annualized	
Asset Class	QTR	YTD	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years
Small Cap	5.93	7.04	20.04	2.54	9.99	5.15
Value	5.08	6.46	14.13	-1.09	2.91	1.96
Large Cap	5.00	7.49	12.55	-5.07	3.10	2.79
Growth	4.94	8.45	11.08	-8.70	3.18	3.51

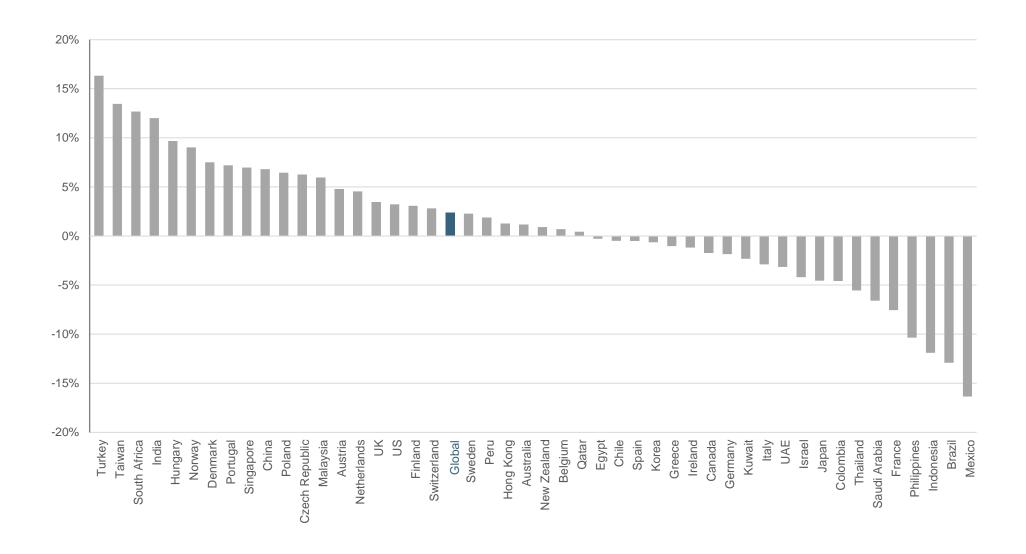
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Country Returns

Second quarter 2024 index returns



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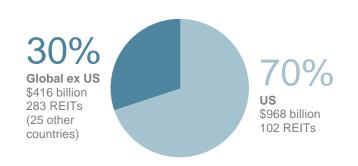
Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITs)

Second quarter 2024 index returns

US real estate investment trusts outperformed non-US REITs during the quarter.



Total Value of REIT Stocks



Period Returns (%)

					Annualized	
Asset Class	QTR	YTD	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years
US REITS	-0.16	-0.55	7.15	-0.14	2.78	5.17
Global ex US REITS	-4.39	-6.72	2.45	-7.80	-3.59	-0.05

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Number of REIT stocks and total value based on the two indices. All index returns are net of withholding tax on dividends. Total value of REIT stocks represented by Dow Jones US Select REIT Index and the S&P Global ex US REIT Index. Dow Jones US Select REIT Index used as proxy for the US market, and S&P Global ex US REIT Index used as proxy for the World ex US market. Dow Jones and S&P data © 2024 S&P Dow Jones Indices LLC, a division of S&P Global. All rights reserved.



Commodities

Second quarter 2024 index returns

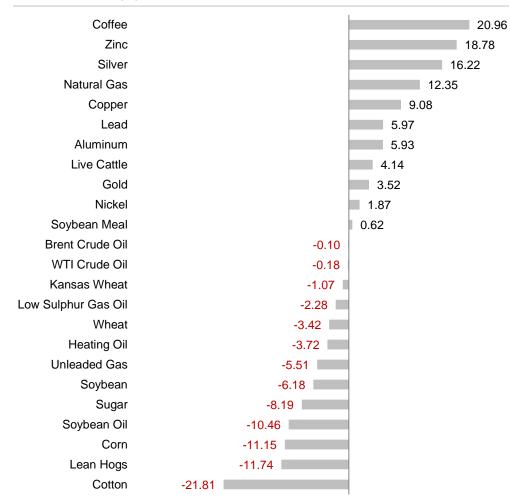
The Bloomberg Commodity Total Return Index returned +2.89% for the second quarter of 2024.

Coffee and Zinc were the best performers, returning +20.96% and +18.78% during the quarter, respectively. Cotton and Lean Hogs were the worst performers, returning -21.81% and -11.74% during the quarter, respectively.

Period Returns (%)

					Annualized	
Asset Class	QTR	YTD	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years
Commodities	2.89	5.14	5.00	5.65	7.25	-1.29

Ranked Returns (%)





Fixed Income

Second quarter 2024 index returns

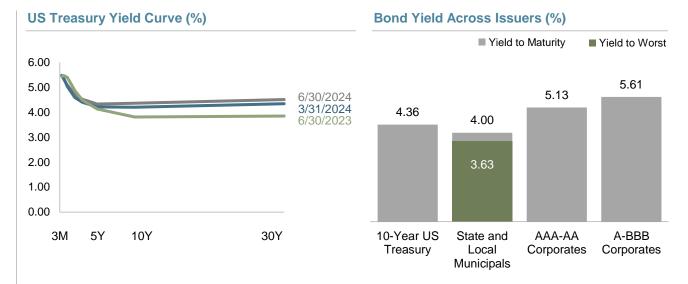
Interest rates generally increased in the US Treasury market for the quarter.

On the short end of the yield curve, the 1-Month US Treasury Bill yield decreased 2 basis points (bps) to +5.47%, while the 1-Year US Treasury Bill yield increased 6 bps to +5.09%. The yield on the 2-Year US Treasury Note increased 12 bps to +4.71%.

The yield on the 5-Year US Treasury Note increased 12 bps to +4.33%. The yield on the 10-Year US Treasury Note increased 16 bps to +4.36%. The yield on the 30-Year US Treasury Bond increased 17 bps to +4.51%.

In terms of total returns, short-term US treasury bonds returned +0.77% while intermediate-term US treasury bonds returned +0.58%. Short-term corporate bonds returned +0.96% and intermediate-term corporate bonds returned +0.74%.¹

The total returns for short- and intermediateterm municipal bonds were +0.35% and -0.92%, respectively. Within the municipal fixed income market, general obligation bonds returned -0.30% while revenue bonds returned +0.07%.²



Period Returns (%)

					Annualized	
Asset Class	QTR	YTD	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years
ICE BofA US 3-Month Treasury Bill Index	1.32	2.63	5.40	3.03	2.16	1.51
ICE BofA 1-Year US Treasury Note Index	1.11	1.95	5.02	1.80	1.69	1.36
Bloomberg U.S. High Yield Corporate Bond Index	1.09	2.58	10.44	1.64	3.92	4.31
FTSE World Government Bond Index 1-5 Years (hedged to USD)	0.87	1.13	4.84	0.38	1.03	1.43
Bloomberg U.S. TIPS Index	0.79	0.70	2.71	-1.33	2.07	1.91
Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index	0.07	-0.71	2.63	-3.02	-0.23	1.35
Bloomberg Municipal Bond Index	-0.02	-0.40	3.21	-0.88	1.16	2.39
FTSE World Government Bond Index 1-5 Years	-0.06	-1.41	2.43	-2.73	-0.79	-0.78
Bloomberg U.S. Government Bond Index Long	-1.80	-4.99	-5.55	-10.45	-4.24	0.60

^{1.} Bloomberg US Treasury and US Corporate Bond Indices.

^{2.} Bloomberg Municipal Bond Index.

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Global Fixed Income

Second quarter 2024 yield curves

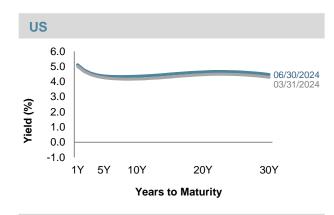
Interest rates generally increased across global developed markets for the quarter.

Realized term premiums were negative across global developed markets, as longer-term bonds generally underperformed shorter-term bonds.

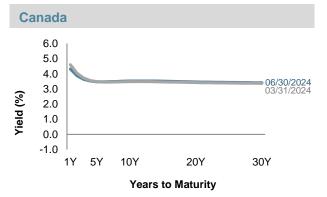
In Germany and Canada, short-term interest rates decreased while longer-term interest rates generally increased. The short-term segment of the yield curve remained inverted in Australia, UK, Germany, and Canada.

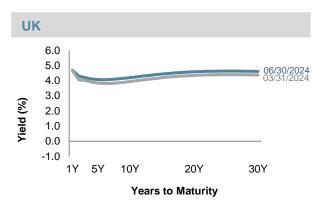
Changes in Yields (bps) since 03/31/2024

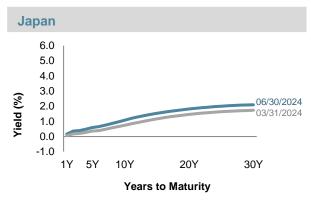
	1Y	5Y	10Y	20Y	30Y
US	11.1	12.2	18.1	18.2	18.5
UK	2.7	23.5	25.9	23.6	23.5
Germany	-15.0	13.2	19.0	21.9	22.3
Japan	10.9	23.2	33.9	35.6	36.9
Canada	-28.4	-0.8	4.5	4.4	3.6
Australia	38.3	44.6	34.8	32.5	30.4

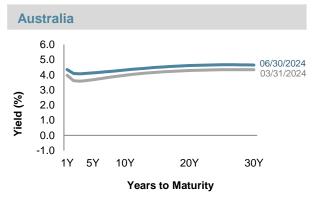














Reality Meets Expectation for the Mag 7

Second quarter 2024

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It is unlikely any stock has an expected return of 100% per year. That seems too high to be the cost of equity capital for a company, and it's doubtful anyone would sell a stock with an expected return 10 times the historical stock market return.¹ A realized return that big likely means the company surprised investors in a good way.

The Magnificent 7 stocks returned on average more than 111% in 2023, exceeding the S&P 500 Index by over 85 percentage points. While it's hard to say what cash flow expectations were built into their stock prices, comparing analyst earnings estimates to actual earnings suggests these companies exceeded expectations for the year. All seven reported earnings exceeding average forecasts. For example, Nvidia posted an earnings per share 37.4% higher than the average analyst expectation. Contrast this with 2022, when five of the seven companies' earnings fell short of analyst expectations. The average Magnificent 7 stock return that year trailed the S&P 500 Index by 28 percentage points.

Expecting Mag 7 outperformance to continue is to bet on these companies further exceeding the market's expectations. Simply meeting expectations may result in returns more in line with the market, consistent with the history of top US stocks.

SURPRISE, SURPRISE

Magnificent 7 actual vs. analyst forecast earnings per share, 2022–2023

		202:	2		2023	
	ANALYST FORECAST	ACTUAL	DIFFERENCE	ANALYST FORECAST	ACTUAL	DIFFERENCE
NVDA	\$3.77	\$1.74	-53.8%	\$8.69	\$11.94	37.4% ==
AAPL	\$6.06	\$6.10	0.7% ==	\$5.95	\$6.13	3.0% =
TSLA	\$3.73	\$3.63	-2.7% ==	\$3.61	\$4.30	19.2% 📤
MSFT	\$9.14	\$9.64	5.5 % *	\$9.35	\$9.68	3.6%
AMZN	\$1.09	-\$0.27	-125.0%	\$1.93	\$2.89	49.7% -
GOOGL	\$5.04	\$4.55	-9.6%	\$5.21	\$5.81	11.4%
META	\$10.49	\$8.59	-18.2%	\$11.33	\$14.90	31.5% -

^{1.} The S&P 500 Index had an annualized return of 10.3% from January 1926 to December 2023. S&P data © 2024 S&P Dow Jones Indices LLC, a division of S&P Global. All rights reserved. See following page for important disclosure.



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