

Chart of the Week



Weekly Highlights

- Domestic stock prices posted robust gains this week. Equities rallied this week, as investors speculated economic growth will accelerate. The Dow Jones Industrial Average reached a new record high, partly as a result of strong gains in pharmaceutical companies, which performed well as a result of merger activity. Analysts point to a favorable backdrop that includes rising earnings, stable and low interest rates, and benign inflation as additional catalysts for the market's continued climb.
- Global markets were also generally higher on the week. World markets on balance posted moderate gains, with merger activity being a key driver as it was in the U.S. Asian stocks posted a six-year high, in part as a result of Fed chairman Yellen's statement that interest rates would remain low for a "considerable time." However, emerging markets stocks declined for the week, with violence in Iraq causing growth concerns for emerging economies.
- Treasury prices were modestly lower for the week. The yield on the benchmark 10-year U.S. Treasury rose modestly on the week.
- Commodity indices rallied on the week. Energy, metals and grains all advanced on the week.

Talking Points

- Among equities, large-caps underperformed small-caps, and value stocks outperformed growthoriented issues. Domestic stocks underperformed international equities. Developed markets outperformed emerging market stocks.
- Treasury prices fell slightly this week. The yield on the 10-year Tnote was modestly higher.
- Commodity prices advanced on the week. Energy, metals and grains all rose.
- The dollar was lower this week against a basket of currencies.
- Among economic data released this week, consumer prices rose the most in more than a year during May; industrial production jumped more than forecast; housing starts exceeded 1 million for the second consecutive month in May; and initial jobless claims declined in the latest week.

MARKET DASHBOARD

	Last Price	Change	% Chg.	YTD %
S&P 500	1,962.88	27.46	1.42%	6.2%
Dow Industrials	16,947.08	193.48	1.15%	2.4%
Nasdaq	4,368.04	53.82	1.25%	4.5%
Russell 2000	1,188.37	23.07	1.98%	1.9%
Euro Stoxx Index	348.09	1.49	0.43%	6.2%
Shanghai Composite	2,026.67	-44.04	-2.13%	-4.2%
Russell Global	1,782.10	20.88	1.18%	5.4%

Source: Bloomberg; Index % change is based on price.

	S&P 500 Index: Trailing 180 Days
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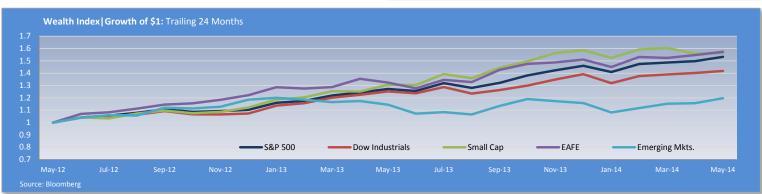
	Last Price	Change	% Chg.	YTD %
Russell Global EM	3,264.00	3.18	0.10%	5.1%
10-Year US Treas.	2.62	2 bps	NM	NM
DJ UBS Comm. ldx.	136.55	1.65	1.22%	8.5%
Gold	\$1,314.98	\$38.30	3.00%	9.5%
Crude Oil	\$107.26	\$0.22	0.21%	11.1%
Dollar Index	80.35	-0.12	-0.15%	0.5%
VIX Index	10.72	-1.82	-14.94%	-24.5%

	One Week						
	Value		Growth				
L	1.71%	1.37%	1.03%				
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	YTD	
Value		Growth
6.67%	5.79%	4.92%
9.82%	7.51%	5.47%
2.70%	1.90%	1.12%

	% Wgt in	Week %	
	S&P 500	Chg.	YTD % Chg.
Consumer Discretionary	11.8	0.93%	-1.0%
Consumer Staples	9.6	1.97%	5.4%
Energy	10.8	2.54%	12.5%
Financials	16.1	1.40%	4.6%
Health Care	13.2	2.03%	9.4%
Industrials	10.7	1.17%	4.8%
Information Technology	18.7	0.30%	7.1%
Materials	3.5	1.42%	7.5%
Telecom Services	2.4	1.04%	2.7%
Utilities	3.1	3.42%	14.8%





A Macro View – Perspectives on Impact Investing

Impact investing, also commonly known as Socially Responsible Investing (SRI), has become increasingly popular over the past two decades as investors strive to marry a desire for doing good while still generating solid investment performance. There has been a significant amount of research done on the subject of whether SRI can generate excess returns over non-SRI approaches. Some of the academic papers outline three general camps into which investors belong regarding SRI: First, some believe that SRI investors can "do good" while also "doing well" (from a performance perspective). Those in this category believe that investing in socially conscious companies can generate superior performance. Second, some believe that limiting the universe of available securities from which to choose will necessarily hinder performance. The idea underlying this belief is that since the palette of potential investments meeting socially conscious standards is limited, performance will also be constrained. Third, there are those that believe that SRI investing is neutral – that there is no difference between SRI and non-SRI performance.

Much of the academic research tends to support the view that *at the mean* there is no difference between SRI and non-SRI performance. In a forthcoming study, PMC's Quantitative Research Group (QRG) affirms those results, showing that - on average - SRI mutual fund performance is not statistically or economically different from non-SRI mutual fund performance.

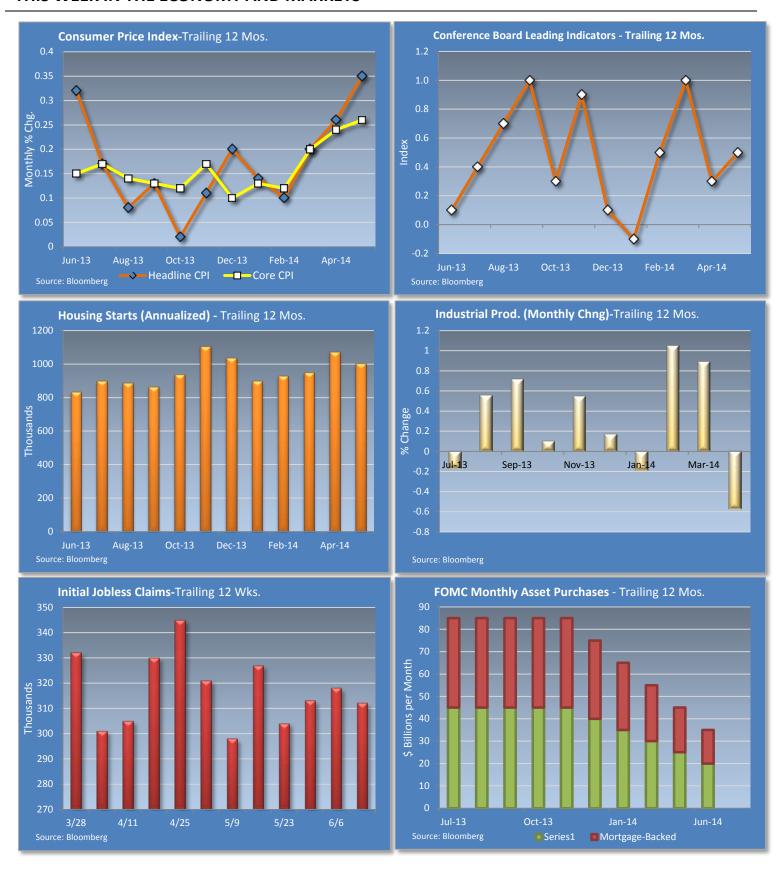
However, QRG makes a unique contribution to the literature in that they go beyond looking at the average. They refine the study to analyze the distributions of the total returns of SRI and non-SRI funds. What they find is that while performance is not statistically different at the mean, there are drastic differences as one moves out toward the tails of the distributions. Specifically, the distribution of SRI fund returns is narrower than that of non-SRI funds. Essentially, what this means is that top-performing SRI funds tend to underperform top-performing non-SRI funds, while bottom-performing SRI funds outperform bottom-performing non-SRI funds.

One of the reasons this may be the case relates back to the relatively limited universe of SRI stocks. The universe of socially conscious stocks likely has more homogenous characteristics than the non-SRI universe.

QRG's research on SRI will be published soon.

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THIS WEEK IN THE ECONOMY AND MARKETS

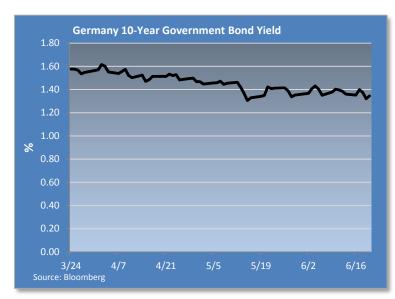


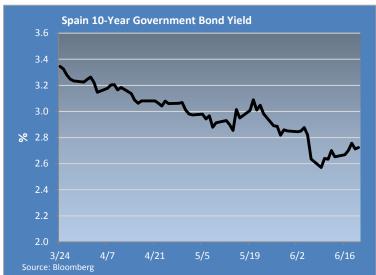
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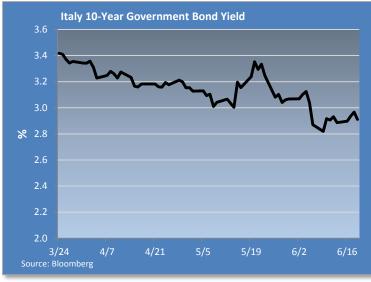
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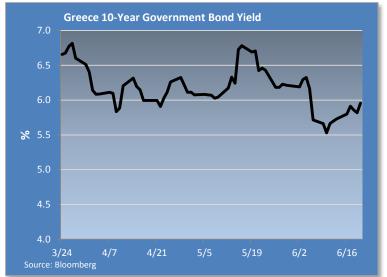
	Last	Change	% Chg.	YTD %
Germany 10-Yr. Govt.	1.35	1 bps	NM	NM
Greece 10-Yr. Govt.	5.95	-14 bps	NM	NM
Italy 10-Yr. Govt.	2.95	-6 bps	NM	NM
Spain 10-Yr. Govt.	2.72	-7 bps	NM	NM
Belgium 10-Yr. Govt.	1.81	4 bps	NM	NM

	Last	Change	% Chg.	YTD %
France 10-Yr. Govt.	1.79	4 bps	NM	NM
Ireland 10-Yr. Govt.	2.45	-5 bps	NM	NM
Portugal 10-Yr. Govt.	3.52	-14 bps	NM	NM
Netherlands 10-Yr. Govt.	1.59	3 bps	NM	NM
U.K. 10-Yr. Govt.	2.77	-2 bps	NM	NM









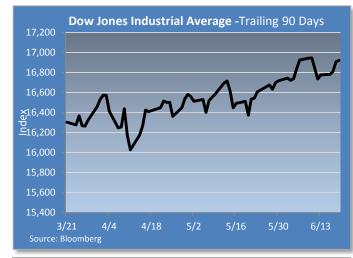
EQUITIES

WORLD MARKET PERFORMANCE

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S&P/TSX (Canada)	15,109.10	110.49	0.74%	10.94%	
Mexico IPC	42,865.72	463.74	1.09%	0.52%	
Brazil Bovespa	54,638.19	-107.39	-0.20%	6.20%	
Euro Stoxx 600	348.09	1.49	0.43%	6.18%	
FTSE 100	6,825.20	55.68	0.82%	1.25%	
IBEX 35 (Spain)	11,155.10	53.70	0.48%	12.61%	

	Last	Change	% Chg.	YTD %
Swiss Market Index	8,701.61	62.00	0.72%	6.25%
CAC 40 Index (France)	4,541.34	7.90	0.17%	5.94%
DAX Index (Germany)	9,987.24	98.75	1.00%	4.81%
Irish Overall Index	4,812.92	-61.29	-1.25%	6.53%
Nikkei 225	15,349.42	251.58	1.67%	-5.78%
Hang Seng Index	23,194.06	-125.11	-0.54%	-0.48%
Shanghai Composite	2,026.67	-44.04	-2.13%	-4.22%
Kospi Index (S. Korea)	1,968.07	-22.78	-1.14%	-2.15%
Taiwan Taiex Index	9,273.79	77.40	0.84%	7.69%
Tel Aviv 25 Index	1,404.60	7.21	0.52%	5.66%
MICEX Index (Russia)	1,486.30	-14.88	-0.99%	-1.18%

Source: Bloomberg; Index % change is based on price.









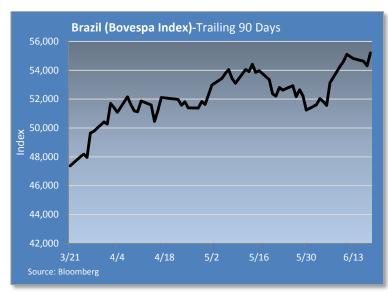
EQUITIES – EMERGING AND FRONTIER MARKETS

EMERGING AND FRONTIER MARKET PERFORMANCE

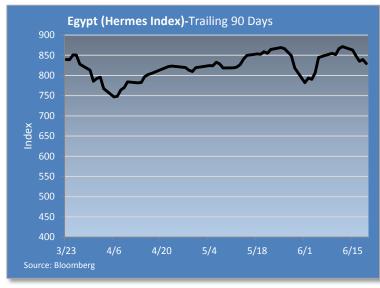
	Last	Change	% Chg.	YTD %
Mexico IPC	42,861.89	463.74	1.1%	0.5%
Brazil (Bovespa Index)	54,638.19	-107.39	-0.2%	6.2%
MICEX Index (Russia)	1,486.30	-14.88	-1.0%	-1.2%
Czech Republic (Prague)	1,032.53	-0.22	0.0%	4.4%
Turkey (Istanbul)	78,400.69	-610.93	-0.8%	15.6%
Egypt (Hermes Index)	829.72	-41.94	-4.8%	22.9%
Kenya (Nairobi 20 Index)	4,825.52	-11.19	-0.2%	-2.1%
Saudi Arabia (TASI Index)	9,648.26	-178.41	-1.8%	13.0%
Lebanon (Beirut BLOM Index)	1,224.92	0.86	0.1%	6.5%
Palestine	519.54	-3.80	-0.7%	-4.1%

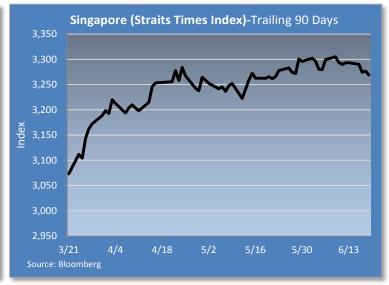
	Last	Change	% Chg.	YTD %
Hang Seng Index	23,194.06	-125.11	-0.5%	-0.5%
India (Sensex 30)	25,105.51	-122.66	-0.5%	18.6%
Malaysia (KLCI Index)	1,885.72	8.98	0.5%	1.0%
Singapore (Straits Times Index)	3,258.80	-34.45	-1.0%	2.9%
Thailand (SET Index)	1,467.29	11.27	0.8%	13.0%
Indonesia (Jakarta)	4,847.70	-78.96	-1.6%	13.4%
Pakistan (Karachi KSE 100)	28,691.84	-1039.02	-3.5%	13.6%
Vietnam (Ho Chi Minh)	560.78	-13.70	-2.4%	11.1%
Sri Lanka (Colombo)	6,302.45	-34.77	-0.5%	6.6%
Cambodia (Laos)	1,288.95	0.59	0.0%	2.8%

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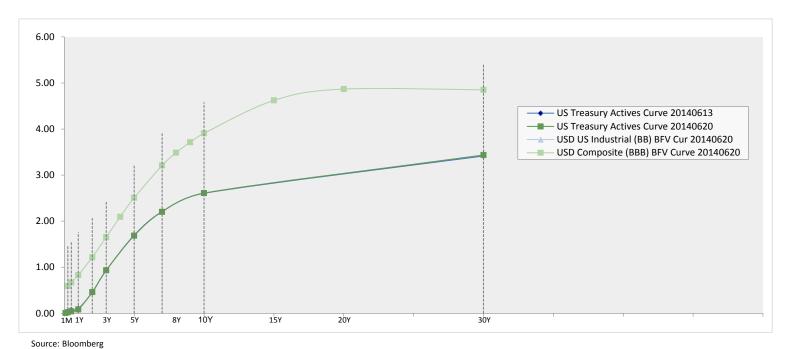


INTEREST RATES

SELECTED INTEREST RATES

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	Last	Change	% Chg.	YTD %
2-Yr. U.S. Treasury	0.47%	0 bps	NM	NM
5-Yr. U.S. Treasury	1.70%	1 bps	NM	NM
10-Yr. U.S. Treasury	2.62%	2 bps	NM	NM
30-Yr. U.S. Treasury	3.45%	4 bps	NM	NM
German 10-Yr. Govt.	1.35%	1 bps	NM	NM
France 10-Yr.	1.79%	4 bps	NM	NM
Italy 10-Yr.	2.95%	-6 bps	NM	NM
Fed 5-Yr Fwd BE Inf.	2.42%	3 bps	NM	NM

	Last	Change	% Chg.	YTD %	
Prime Rate	3.25%	0.00	NM	NM	
Fed Funds Rate	0.25%	0.00	NM	NM	
Discount Rate	0.75%	0.00	NM	NM	
LIBOR (3 Mo.)	0.23%	0 bps	NM	NM	
Bond Buyer 40 Muni	4.17%	1 bps	NM	NM	
Bond Buyer 40 G.O.	4.36%	NA	NM	NM	
Bond Buyer 40 Rev.	4.80% NA		NM	NM	







CURRENCIES

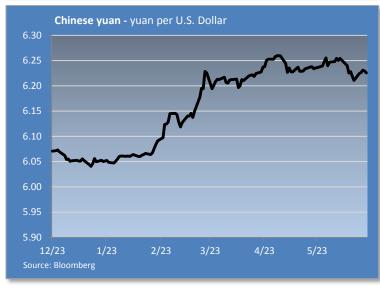
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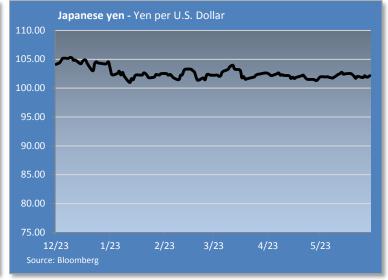
	Last	Change	% Chg.	YTD %
Dollar Index	80.35	-0.122	-0.15%	0.52%
Euro	1.36	0.004	0.32%	-1.16%
Japanese Yen	102.07	0.120	-0.12%	3.08%
British Pound	1.70	0.005	0.27%	2.76%
Canadian Dollar	1.08	-0.009	0.80%	-1.36%

	Last		% Chg.	YTD %	
Chinese Yuan	6.23	0.015	-0.24%	-2.75%	
Swiss Franc	0.90	-0.004	0.44%	-0.37%	
New Zealand Dollar	0.87	0.002	0.28%	5.77%	
Brazilian Real	2.23	0.013	-0.56%	5.60%	
Mexican Peso	12.98	-0.002	0.01%	0.18%	









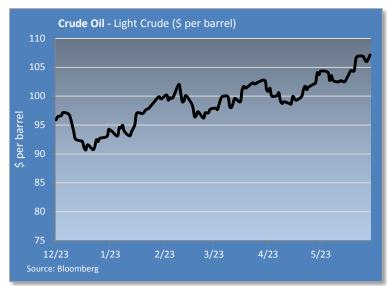
COMMODITIES

SELECTED COMMODITY MARKET PERFORMANCE

	Last	Change	% Chg.	YTD %					
DJ UBS Comm. ldx.	136.55	1.65	1.22%	8.48%					
Rogers Int. Comm. ldx.	3778.36	57.55	1.55%	6.25%					
Crude Oil	\$107.26	\$0.22	0.21%	11.07%					
Natural Gas	\$4.56	-\$0.20	-4.22%	9.51%					
Gasoline (\$/Gal.)	\$3.68	\$0.02	0.60%	10.71%					
Heating Oil	305.32	6.87	2.30%	1.26%					
Gold Spot	\$1,315.03	\$38.30	3.00%	9.46%					
Silver Spot	\$20.86	\$1.16	5.91%	7.11%					

	Last	Change	% Chg.	YTD %
Platinum Spot	\$1,455.75	\$24.24	1.69%	6.36%
Corn	452.00	3.75	0.84%	0.22%
Wheat	593.25	1.50	0.25%	-4.55%
Soybeans	1,231.50	2.25	0.18%	7.80%
Sugar	18.75	0.89	4.99%	9.91%
Orange Juice	161.65	-4.30	-2.58%	12.48%
Aluminum	1,889.00	44.00	2.38%	4.93%
Copper	6,725.00	70.00	1.05%	-8.63%

Source: Bloomberg; % change is based on price.









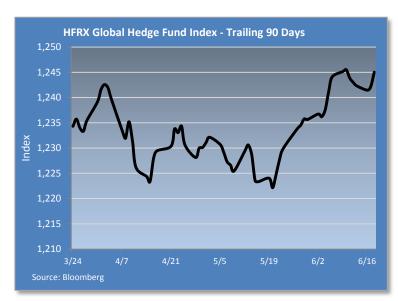
ALTERNATIVE INVESTMENTS

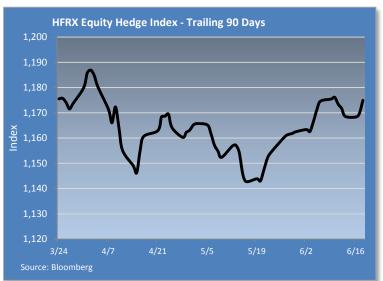
SELECTED ALTERNATIVE INVESTMENT INDEX PERFORMANCE

	Last	Change	% Chg.	YTD %
HFRX Global Hedge Fund Index	1243.00	2.72	0.22%	1.60%
HFRX Equity Market Neutral	964.04	-0.28	-0.03%	1.17%
HFRX Equity Hedge Index	1171.67	6.36	0.54%	0.82%
HFRX Event-Driven Index	1633.19	7.67	0.47%	4.04%
HFRX Absolute Return Index	1005.07	1.15	0.11%	1.67%

	Last	Change	% Chg.	YTD %
HFRX Distressed Index	1061.64	5.11	0.48%	5.91%
HFRX Merger Arbitrage Index	1580.27	-0.34	-0.02%	0.77%
HFRX Convertible Arbitrage Index	775.15	-2.15	-0.28%	-0.07%
HFRX Macro CTA Index	1130.97	-2.79	-0.25%	-0.49%
IQ Fixed Income Beta Arb Index	1359.53	4.13	0.30%	4.63%

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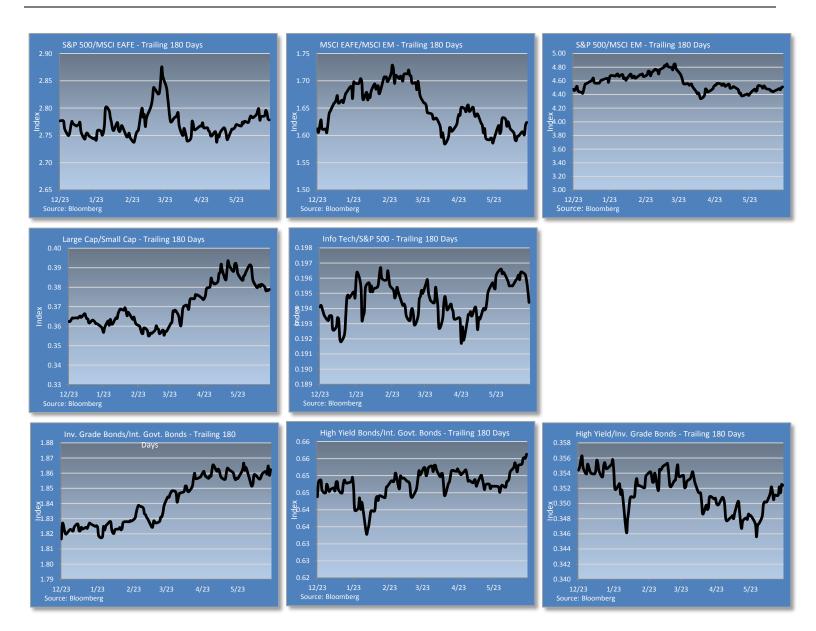


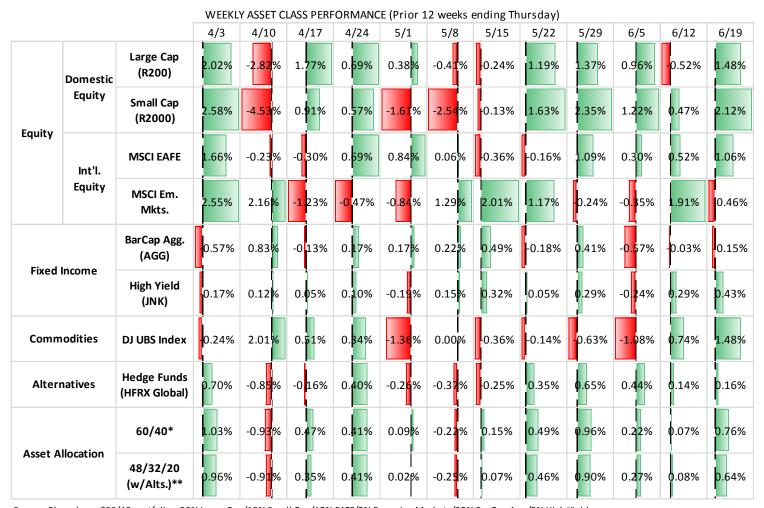






PORTFOLIO CONSTRUCTION





 $Source: Bloomberg; *60/40\ portfolio = 30\%\ Large\ Cap/10\%\ Small\ Cap/15\%\ EAFE/5\%\ Emerging\ Markets/35\%\ BarCap\ Agg./5\%\ High\ Yield.$

^{**48/32/20} portfolio = 24% Large Cap/8% Small Cap/12% EAFE/4% Emerging Markets/28% BarCap Agg./4% High Yield/20% HFRX Global Index.

RELATIVE STRENGTH MATRIX ((BASED ON 30-DAY RSI)

	Large Cap	Large Cap	Large Cap	Mid Cap	Mid Cap	Mid Cap	Small Cap	Small Cap	Small Cap	Int'l.	Emerging				
	Core	Growth	Value	Core	Growth	Value	Core	Growth	Value	Developed	Markets	REITs	Comm.	Int. Bond	High Yield
Large Cap Core	1.00	1.04	0.96	1.02	1.05	0.98	1.09	1.09	1.10	0.99	1.04	1.05	1.13	1.23	1.02
Large Cap Growth	0.96	1.00	0.92	0.97	1.01	0.94	1.05	1.05	1.05	0.95	1.00	1.01	1.08	1.18	0.98
Large Cap Value	1.04	1.08	1.00	1.05	1.09	1.02	1.14	1.14	1.14	1.03	1.08	1.10	1.17	1.27	1.06
Mid Cap Core	0.98	1.03	0.95	1.00	1.03	0.97	1.08	1.08	1.08	0.98	1.03	1.04	1.11	1.21	1.01
Mid Cap Growth	0.95	0.99	0.92	0.97	1.00	0.94	1.04	1.04	1.05	0.95	0.99	1.01	1.08	1.17	0.98
Mid Cap Value	1.02	1.06	0.98	1.03	1.07	1.00	1.11	1.11	1.12	1.01	1.06	1.07	1.15	1.25	1.04
Small Cap Core	0.91	0.95	0.88	0.93	0.96	0.90	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.91	0.95	0.96	1.03	1.12	0.94
Small Cap Growth	0.91	0.95	0.88	0.93	0.96	0.90	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.91	0.95	0.96	1.03	1.12	0.94
Small Cap Value	0.91	0.95	0.88	0.93	0.96	0.90	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.91	0.95	0.96	1.03	1.12	0.93
Int'l. Developed	1.01	1.05	0.97	1.02	1.06	0.99	1.10	1.10	1.10	1.00	1.05	1.06	1.14	1.24	1.03
Emerging Markets	0.96	1.00	0.92	0.97	1.01	0.94	1.05	1.05	1.05	0.95	1.00	1.01	1.08	1.18	0.98
REITs	0.95	0.99	0.91	0.96	0.99	0.93	1.04	1.04	1.04	0.94	0.99	1.00	1.07	1.16	0.97
Commodities	0.89	0.92	0.85	0.90	0.93	0.87	0.97	0.97	0.97	0.88	0.92	0.93	1.00	1.09	0.91
Int. Bond	0.81	0.85	0.78	0.83	0.85	0.80	0.89	0.89	0.89	0.81	0.85	0.86	0.92	1.00	0.83
High Yield	0.98	1.02	0.94	0.99	1.02	0.96	1.07	1.07	1.07	0.97	1.02	1.03	1.10	1.20	1.00

Source: Bloomberg

The Relative Strength Matrix provides an indication of how the various asset classes have performed relative to one another over the past 30 days. A number greater than 1.0 indicates that the asset class in the far left column has outperformed the corresponding asset class in the top row over the past 30 days. A number below 1.0 means the asset class on the left has underperformed the asset class at the top. The green shading indicates outperformance, and the red shading indicates underperformance.

INDEX OVERVIEW

The S&P 500 Index is an unmanaged index comprised of 500 widely held securities considered to be representative of the stock market in general. The S&P/Case-Shiller Home Price Indices measure the residential housing market, tracking changes in the value of the residential real estate market in 20 metropolitan regions across the United States. The Nasdaq Composite is a stock market index of the common stocks and similar securities listed on the NASDAQ stock market. The MSCI EAFE Index represents 21 developed markets outside of North America. The MSCI EAFE Growth Index is an unmanaged index considered representative of growth stocks of Europe, Australasia and the Far East. The MSCI EAFE Value Index is an unmanaged index considered representative of value stocks of Europe, Australasia and the Far East. The MSCI Emerging Markets Index is a free float-adjusted market capitalization index that is designed to measure equity market performance in the global emerging markets. The MSCI Europe Index is an unmanaged index considered representative of stocks of developed European countries. The MSCI Pacific Index is a free float-adjusted market capitalization weighted index that is designed to measure the equity market performance of the developed markets in the Pacific region. The Barclays US Credit Index is an unmanaged index considered representative of publicly issued, SEC-registered US corporate and specified foreign debentures and secured notes. The Barclays US Aggregate Bond Index is a market capitalization-weighted index of investment-grade, fixed-rate debt issues, including government, corporate, asset-backed, and mortgage-backed securities, with maturities of at least one year. The Barclays US Corporate High Yield Index covers the USD-denominated, non-investment grade, fixed-rate, taxable corporate bond market. Securities are classified as high-yield if the middle rating of Moody's, Fitch and S&P is Ba1/BB+/BB+ or below. The index may include emerging market debt. The Barclays Capital Municipal Bond Index is an unmanaged index comprised of investment-grade, fixed-rate municipal securities representative of the tax-exempt bond market in general. The Barclays US Treasury Total Return Index is an unmanaged index of public obligations of the US Treasury with a remaining maturity of one year or more. The Citigroup World Government Bond Index is a market capitalization weighted bond index consisting of the government bond markets of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Malaysia, Mexico, the Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Singapore, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, the United Kingdom and the United States. The DJ-UBS Commodity Index Total ReturnSM measures the collateralized returns from a basket of 19 commodity futures contracts representing the energy, precious metals, industrial metals, grains, softs and livestock sectors. The Russell 1000 Index is a market capitalization-weighted benchmark index made up of the 1000 largest U.S. companies in the Russell 3000 Index. The Russell 1000 Growth Index is an unmanaged index considered representative of large-cap growth stocks. The Russell 1000 Value Index is an unmanaged index considered representative of large-cap value stocks. The Russell 2000 Index is an unmanaged index considered representative of small-cap stocks. The Russell 2000 Growth Index is an unmanaged index considered representative of small-cap growth stocks. The Russell 2000 Growth Index is an unmanaged index considered representative of small-cap value stocks. The Russell 3000 Index is an unmanaged index considered representative of the US stock market. The Russell Midcap Index is a subset of the Russell 1000 Index. It includes approximately 800 of the smallest securities based on a combination of their market cap and current index membership. The Russell Midcap Growth Index is an unmanaged index considered representative of mid-cap growth stocks. The Russell Midcap Value Index is an unmanaged index considered representative of mid-cap value stocks. The HFRX Indices are a series of benchmarks of hedge fund industry performance which are engineered to achieve representative performance of a larger universe of hedge fund strategies. Hedge Fund Research, Inc. employs the HFRX Methodology (UCITS compliant), a proprietary and highly quantitative process by which hedge funds are selected as constituents for the HFRX Indices. The ISM Non-Manufacturing Index is an index based on surveys of more than 400 nonmanufacturing firms' purchasing and supply executives, within 60 sectors across the nation, by the Institute of Supply Management (ISM). The ISM Non-Manufacturing Index tracks economic data, like the ISM Non-Manufacturing Business Activity Index. A composite diffusion index is created based on the data from these surveys that monitors economic conditions of the nation. The ISM Manufacturing Index is an index based on surveys of more than 300 manufacturing firms by the Institute of Supply Management. The ISM Manufacturing Index monitors employment, production inventories, new orders and supplier deliveries. A composite diffusion index is created that monitors conditions in national manufacturing based on the data from these surveys. The Consumer Price Index (CPI) measures the change in the cost of a fixed basket of products and services. The Gross Domestic Product (GDP) rate is a measurement of the output of goods and services produced by labor and property located in the United States. Basis Point(s) is a unit that is equal to 1/100th of 1%, and is used to denote the change in a financial instrument. 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The index includes Treasury securities, Government agency bonds, Mortgage-backed bonds, Corporate bonds, and a small amount of foreign bonds traded in U.S. The University of Michigan Consumer Sentiment Index (MCSI) is a survey of consumer confidence conducted by the University of Michigan. The Michigan Consumer Sentiment Index (MCSI) uses telephone surveys to gather information on consumer expectations regarding the overall economy. A separately managed account (SMA) is an individual managed investment account offered typically by a brokerage firm through one of their brokers or financial consultants and managed by independent investment management firms (often called money managers for short) and have varying fee structures. An open-end index fund continuously issues and redeems shares based on investor demand. As an index fund, its investment objective is to duplicate the performance of the index it uses as a benchmark. 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