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Stock Index Performance						
Index	Week	YTD	12-mo.	2018	5-yr.	
Dow Jones Industrial Avg. (26,032)	0.59%	12.02%	6.71%	-3.48%	12.76%	
S&P 500 (2,793)	0.65%	11.74%	5.35%	-4.39%	10.98%	
NASDAQ 100 (7,091)	0.55%	12.22%	5.99%	0.04%	15.46%	
S&P 500 Growth	0.85%	11.65%	7.12%	-0.01%	12.81%	
S&P 500 Value	0.43%	11.84%	3.40%	-8.97%	8.78%	
S&P MidCap 400 Growth	0.76%	15.33%	2.35%	-10.34%	9.05%	
S&P MidCap 400 Value	1.36%	17.74%	6.77%	-11.90%	8.76%	
S&P SmallCap 600 Growth	1.01%	15.14%	9.21%	-4.09%	10.87%	
S&P SmallCap 600 Value	1.49%	19.01%	5.19%	-12.68%	9.08%	
MSCI EAFE	1.65%	8.94%	-6.59%	-13.79%	2.13%	
MSCI World (ex US)	1.95%	9.62%	-6.84%	-14.20%	2.62%	
MSCI World	1.03%	11.03%	0.50%	-8.71%	6.73%	
MSCI Emerging Markets	2.79%	9.78%	-9.65%	-14.58%	4.43%	
S&P GSCI	1.48%	13.92%	-2.95%	-13.82%	-12.77%	

**Source: Bloomberg.** Returns are total returns. *5-yr. return is an average annual.* One-week, YTD, 12-mo. and 5-yr. performance returns calculated through 2/22/19. An index cannot be purchased directly by investors. Past performance is no guarantee of future results.

S&P Sector Performance					
Index	Week	YTD	12-mo.	2018	5-yr.
Communication Services	0.65%	11.48%	3.89%	-12.53%	5.62%
Consumer Discretionary	1.02%	11.94%	6.50%	0.82%	12.73%
Consumer Staples	0.42%	7.76%	4.58%	-8.39%	8.61%
Energy	-0.48%	14.84%	0.77%	-18.10%	-2.35%
Financials	0.12%	11.11%	-5.97%	-13.04%	10.81%
Health Care	-0.33%	7.12%	12.13%	6.47%	11.33%
Industrials	0.69%	18.34%	0.94%	-13.32%	10.00%
Information Technology	1.48%	14.01%	7.74%	-0.29%	17.70%
Materials	2.35%	10.42%	-5.74%	-14.70%	5.87%
Real Estate	0.25%	13.19%	20.81%	-2.23%	8.38%
Utilities	2.43%	7.84%	20.53%	4.11%	10.93%

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Bond Index Performance					
Index	Week	YTD	12-mo.	2018	5-yr.
U.S. Treasury: Intermediate	0.14%	0.47%	3.31%	1.41%	1.39%
GNMA 30 Year	0.21%	0.95%	4.22%	1.03%	2.22%
U.S. Aggregate	0.11%	1.21%	3.65%	0.01%	2.45%
U.S. Corporate High Yield	0.35%	5.78%	4.13%	-2.08%	4.58%
U.S. Corporate Investment Grade	0.04%	2.68%	3.01%	-2.51%	3.38%
Municipal Bond: Long Bond (22+)	0.20%	1.07%	3.82%	0.34%	5.14%
Global Aggregate	0.36%	1.05%	-0.54%	-1.20%	0.94%

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Key Rates					
Fed Funds	2.25-2.50%	2-yr T-Note	2.49%		
LIBOR (1-month)	2.48%	5-yr T-Note	2.47%		
CPI - Headline	1.60%	10-yr T-Note	2.65%		
CPI - Core	2.20%	30-yr T-Bond	3.02%		
Money Market Accts.	1.25%	30-yr Mortgage Refinance	4.34%		
1-yr CD	2.70%	Prime Rate	5.50%		
3-yr CD	2.89%	Bond Buyer 40	4.05%		
5-vr CD	3.03%	-			

Sources: Bankrate.com, Federal Reserve Bank NY, & US Bureau of Labor Statistics. All data as of 2/22/19.

19 bps
150 bps
405 bps

Source: Bloomberg as of 2/22/19.

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# Market Watch

Week of February 25<sup>t</sup>

Weekly Fund Flows						
Estimated Flows to Long-Term Mutual Funds for the Week Ended 2/13/19						
	Current	Current Week		ous		
Domestic Equity	-\$2.730	Billion	-\$1.119	Billion		
Foreign Equity	\$1.004	Billion	\$966	Million		
Taxable Bond	\$2.948	Billion	\$8.998	Billion		
Municipal Bond	\$2.928	Billion	\$3.264	Billion		
Change in Money Market Fund Assets for the Week Ended 2/20/19						
	Current	Current Week		ous		
Retail	\$6.03	Billion	-\$1.43	Billion		
Institutional	-\$13.94	Billion	\$18.07	Billion		
Source: Investment Company Institute						

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#### Factoids for the week of February 18, 2019

#### Monday, February 18, 2019

No Factoid, Holiday - President's Day

#### Tuesday, February 19, 2019

Data from Coresight Research indicates that there were 5,524 retail store closures in the U.S. in 2018, down from 8,139 in 2017, according to The Motley Fool. There have been 2,187 store closures so far in 2019 (as of 2/13), up 23% compared to the same period a year ago. That number does not include the announcement late last week by Payless ShoeSource that it intends to close 2,100 stores in the U.S. and Puerto Rico over the next few months, according to CNN Business.

#### Wednesday, February 20, 2019

The Mortgage Bankers Association reported that the number of U.S. homeowners behind on their mortgage payments in Q4'18 declined to the lowest level in 18 years, according to Reuters. The delinquency rate for mortgages on one-to-four-unit homes stood at a seasonally adjusted 4.06%, down 41 basis points from Q3'18 and down 111 basis points from Q4'17.

#### Thursday, February 21, 2019

The Q4'18 MoneyTree<sup>™</sup> Report from PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP (PwC) and CB Insights revealed that venture capital (VC) funding in the U.S. increased by 30% year-over year to \$99.5 billion (5,536 deals) in 2018, according to its own release. Total global VC funding increased by 21% year-over-year to \$207 billion (14,247 deals) in 2018. Both the \$99.5 billion and the \$207 billion were 18-year highs.

#### Friday, February 22, 2019

The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) announced that U.S. commercial banks and savings institutions insured by the FDIC reported aggregate net income totaling \$59.1 billion in Q4'18, down from \$62.0 billion in Q3'18, but up 133% year-over-year, according to its own release. The \$25.3 billion reported in Q4'17 was low due to one-time income tax effects from the new tax law. Full-year 2018 net income was \$236.7 billion, up 44.1% year-over-year. Community banks reported net income totaling \$6.8 billion in Q4'18, matching the \$6.8 billion posted in Q3'18, but up 65.1% year-over-year. The number of institutions on the FDIC's list of "problem banks" stood at 60 in Q4'18, down from 71 in Q3'18. The post-crisis high for the list was 888 in Q1'11.