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| Stock Index Performance | | | | | | |
|------------------------------------|--------|--------|---------|---------|---------|--|
| Index | Week | YTD | 12-mo. | 2018 | 5-yr. | |
| Dow Jones Industrial Avg. (24,815) | -2.93% | 7.54% | 4.05% | -3.48% | 10.86% | |
| S&P 500 (2,752) | -2.58% | 10.73% | 3.78% | -4.39% | 9.64% | |
| NASDAQ 100 (7,128) | -2.35% | 13.15% | 3.41% | 0.04% | 15.11% | |
| S&P 500 Growth | -2.18% | 13.21% | 6.15% | -0.01% | 12.19% | |
| S&P 500 Value | -3.05% | 7.97% | 1.16% | -8.97% | 6.67% | |
| S&P MidCap 400 Growth | -2.16% | 11.22% | -4.36% | -10.34% | 8.28% | |
| S&P MidCap 400 Value | -3.40% | 7.90% | -6.58% | -11.90% | 6.01% | |
| S&P SmallCap 600 Growth | -2.58% | 6.05% | -7.59% | -4.09% | 9.49% | |
| S&P SmallCap 600 Value | -3.62% | 5.61% | -13.15% | -12.68% | 6.11% | |
| MSCI EAFE | -1.87% | 7.64% | -5.75% | -13.79% | 1.27% | |
| MSCI World (ex US) | -1.05% | 7.15% | -6.26% | -14.20% | 1.31% | |
| MSCI World | -2.29% | 9.75% | -0.29% | -8.71% | 5.62% | |
| MSCI Emerging Markets | 1.24% | 4.09% | -8.70% | -14.58% | 1.78% | |
| S&P GSCI | -4.49% | 8.53% | -14.10% | -13.82% | -13.70% | |

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 5/31/19. 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 | -2.98% | 14.21% | 11.59% | -12.53% | 4.22% |
| Consumer Discretionary | -2.23% | 13.04% | 5.90% | 0.82% | 12.70% |
| Consumer Staples | -3.50% | 10.42% | 15.59% | -8.39% | 7.24% |
| Energy | -4.45% | 3.53% | -20.05% | -18.10% | -6.27% |
| Financials | -3.06% | 9.85% | -2.32% | -13.04% | 9.63% |
| Health Care | -2.60% | 1.34% | 7.67% | 6.47% | 9.66% |
| Industrials | -2.38% | 12.55% | -1.03% | -13.32% | 7.68% |
| Information Technology | -1.91% | 16.49% | 4.40% | -0.29% | 17.00% |
| Materials | -1.91% | 4.97% | -7.30% | -14.70% | 3.47% |
| Real Estate | -0.84% | 18.34% | 19.87% | -2.23% | 7.73% |
| Utilities | -2.54% | 11.01% | 18.40% | 4.11% | 10.23% |

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| Bond Index Performance | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------|--------|-------|--------|--------|-------|--|
| Index | Week | YTD | 12-mo. | 2018 | 5-yr. | |
| U.S. Treasury: Intermediate | 0.78% | 3.13% | 5.30% | 1.41% | 1.76% | |
| GNMA 30 Year | 0.53% | 3.28% | 5.33% | 1.03% | 2.25% | |
| U.S. Aggregate | 0.92% | 4.80% | 6.40% | 0.01% | 2.70% | |
| U.S. Corporate High Yield | -0.54% | 7.49% | 5.51% | -2.08% | 4.40% | |
| U.S. Corporate Investment Grade | 0.93% | 7.23% | 7.45% | -2.51% | 3.60% | |
| Municipal Bond: Long Bond (22+) | 0.58% | 6.59% | 7.53% | 0.34% | 5.08% | |
| Global Aggregate | 0.55% | 3.28% | 3.09% | -1.20% | 0.91% | |

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| Key Rates | | | | | |
|---------------------|------------|----------------------|-------|--|--|
| Fed Funds | 2.25-2.50% | 2-yr T-Note | 1.92% | | |
| LIBOR (1-month) | 2.43% | 5-yr T-Note | 1.91% | | |
| CPI - Headline | 2.00% | 10-yr T-Note | 2.13% | | |
| CPI - Core | 2.10% | 30-yr T-Bond | 2.57% | | |
| Money Market Accts. | 1.34% | 30-yr Fixed Mortgage | 4.03% | | |
| 1-yr CD | 2.65% | Prime Rate | 5.50% | | |
| 3-yr CD | 2.65% | Bond Buyer 40 | 3.71% | | |
| 5-yr CD | 2.60% | | | | |

Sources: Bankrate.com, Federal Reserve Bank NY, & US Bureau of Labor Statistics.

LIBOR and Prime Rate as of 5/28/19, Money Market, 30-yr Fixed Mortgage and CD Rates as of 6/3/19, all other data as of 5/31/19.

| Market Indicators | |
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| TED Spread | 15 bps |
| Investment Grade Spread (A2) | 151 bps |
| ML High Yield Master II Index Spread | 459 bps |
| Source: Bloomberg as of 5/31/19 | |

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Market Watch

Week of June 3rd

| Weekly Fund Flows | | | | | | |
|--|----------|---------|----------|----------|--|--|
| Estimated Flows to Long-Term Mutual Funds for the Week Ended 5/22/19 | | | | | | |
| | Current | Week | Previ | Previous | | |
| Domestic Equity | -\$3.221 | Billion | -\$2.523 | Billion | | |
| Foreign Equity | \$1.544 | Billion | \$601 | Million | | |
| Taxable Bond | \$1.626 | Billion | -\$1.948 | Billion | | |
| Municipal Bond | \$1.934 | Billion | \$1.764 | Billion | | |
| Change in Money Market Fund Assets for the Week Ended 5/29/19 | | | | | | |
| | Current | Week | Previ | Previous | | |
| Retail | \$0.90 | Billion | \$5.26 | Billion | | |
| Institutional | \$17.07 | Billion | \$24.68 | Billion | | |
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Source: Investment Company Institute.

Factoids for the week of May 27, 2019

Monday, May 27, 2019

No Factoid, Holiday - Memorial Day

Tuesday, May 28, 2019

Goldman Sachs reported that the richest people in the U.S. have increased their share of stock ownership over the past 30 years, according to MarketWatch. The wealthiest 0.1% and 1% currently own approximately 17% and 50% of all household equities, respectively, up from 13% and 39% in the late 1980s.

Wednesday, May 29, 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 \$60.7 billion in Q1'19, up 8.7% from Q1'18, according to its own release. Of the 5,362 FDIC-insured institutions that reported, roughly two-thirds posted year-over-year growth in quarterly earnings. Community banks reported net income totaling \$6.5 billion in Q1'19, up 10.1% from Q1'18. The number of institutions on the FDIC's list of "problem banks" stood at 59 in Q1'19, down from 60 in Q4'18. The post-crisis high for the list was 888 in Q1'11.

Thursday, May 30, 2019

U.S. companies are expected to hire 16.6% more college graduates from the Class of 2019 than they did from last year's class, according to a recent survey by the National Association of Colleges and Employers. This is the most optimistic employers have been since 2007. While 38.6% of survey participants said they plan to increase hiring in 2019, only 4% said they plan to decrease hiring. Several companies noted that they plan to focus on converting more interns to full-time hires.

Friday, May 31, 2019

Hurricane season officially begins tomorrow and runs through November 30. The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration is forecasting a total of nine to 15 named storms, with four to eight likely becoming hurricanes, including two to four major hurricanes, according to 24/7 Wall St. In an average year, the U.S. endures 12 named storms, six hurricanes and three major hurricanes. CoreLogic estimates that more than 7.3 million homes along the Atlantic and Gulf coasts are at risk for storm surge damage totaling nearly \$1.8 trillion.