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# Market Watch

Week of September 26th

Stock Index Performance						
Index	Week	YTD	12-mo.	2021	5-yr.	
Dow Jones Industrial Avg. (29,590)	-4.00%	-17.30%	-13.15%	20.95%	8.10%	
S&P 500 (3,693)	-4.63%	-21.62%	-15.73%	28.68%	10.01%	
NASDAQ 100 (11,311)	-4.62%	-30.26%	-25.57%	27.51%	14.81%	
S&P 500 Growth	-4.47%	-28.22%	-22.02%	32.00%	12.23%	
S&P 500 Value	-4.79%	-14.25%	-8.95%	24.86%	6.90%	
S&P MidCap 400 Growth	-6.22%	-25.18%	-21.97%	18.89%	6.03%	
S&P MidCap 400 Value	-5.64%	-15.37%	-9.85%	30.61%	6.44%	
S&P SmallCap 600 Growth	-5.45%	-25.73%	-22.52%	22.56%	6.26%	
S&P SmallCap 600 Value	-5.67%	-18.37%	-14.77%	30.85%	5.07%	
Russell 2000	-6.58%	-24.50%	-24.74%	14.78%	4.27%	
MSCI EAFE	-5.60%	-26.10%	-26.29%	11.26%	-0.57%	
MSCI World (ex US)	-5.23%	-25.07%	-25.54%	7.82%	-0.52%	
MSCI World	-5.08%	-23.61%	-20.26%	21.82%	5.88%	
MSCI Emerging Markets	-4.03%	-24.70%	-26.79%	-2.54%	-1.52%	
S&P GSCI	-3.94%	21.43%	25.90%	40.35%	7.75%	

**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 9/23/22. 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.	2021	5-yr.		
Communication Services	-5.09%	-37.13%	-38.94%	21.57%	2.68%		
Consumer Discretionary	-7.01%	-28.19%	-21.18%	24.43%	11.16%		
Consumer Staples	-2.15%	-8.31%	1.23%	18.63%	8.44%		
Energy	-9.00%	32.06%	47.12%	54.39%	5.98%		
Financials	-5.58%	-19.32%	-16.77%	34.87%	6.24%		
Health Care	-3.36%	-11.88%	-5.93%	26.13%	10.51%		
Industrials	-4.54%	-18.83%	-14.36%	21.10%	5.39%		
Information Technology	-3.57%	-28.45%	-20.38%	34.52%	17.94%		
Materials	-5.63%	-23.26%	-13.86%	27.28%	6.10%		
Real Estate	-6.37%	-26.11%	-16.88%	46.14%	6.67%		
Utilities	-2.99%	2.50%	13.33%	17.67%	9.73%		

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Communication Services. GICS sector information for periods prior to 9/28/18 may not necessarily be comparable to the reconstituted sectors.

# Bond Index Performance

Week	YTD	12-mo.	2021	5-yr.
-1.11%	-8.49%	-9.17%	-1.72%	0.19%
-2.30%	-12.03%	-12.37%	-1.46%	-0.77%
-1.56%	-13.75%	-14.24%	-1.54%	-0.09%
-1.75%	-13.57%	-13.30%	5.28%	1.91%
-1.61%	-17.15%	-17.80%	-1.04%	0.37%
-1.64%	-18.48%	-17.93%	3.17%	0.14%
-2.44%	-19.31%	-20.81%	-4.71%	-2.30%
	-1.11% -2.30% -1.56% -1.75% -1.61% -1.64%	-1.11% -8.49%   -2.30% -12.03%   -1.56% -13.75%   -1.75% -13.57%   -1.61% -17.15%   -1.64% -18.48%		-2.30% -12.03% -12.37% -1.46%   -1.56% -13.75% -14.24% -1.54%   -1.75% -13.57% -13.30% 5.28%   -1.61% -17.15% -17.80% -1.04%   -1.64% -18.48% -17.93% 3.17%

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Key Rates					
Fed Funds	3.00% - 3.25%	2-yr T-Note	4.20%		
LIBOR (1-month)	3.05%	5-yr T-Note	3.98%		
CPI - Headline	8.30%	10-yr T-Note	3.69%		
CPI - Core	6.30%	30-yr T-Bond	3.61%		
Money Market Accts.	0.95%	30-yr Fixed Mortgage	6.43%		
1-yr CD	2.57%	Prime Rate	6.25%		
3-yr CD	2.69%	Bond Buyer 40	4.91%		
5-vr CD	2.85%				

Sources: Bankrate.com, Federal Reserve Bank NY, & US Bureau of Labor Statistics. LIBOR as of 9/21/22, all other data as of 9/23/22.

Market Indicators	
TED Spread	44 bps
Investment Grade Spread (A2)	191 bps
ICE BofA US High Yield Constrained Index Spread	514 bps
Source: Bloomberg. As of 9/23/22.	

Weekly Fund Flows Estimated Flows to Long-Term Mutual Funds for the Week Ended 9/14/22 Current Week Previous -\$4.097 Billion -\$5 942 Billion **Domestic Equity** Foreign Equity -\$1.789 Billion \$494 Million Taxable Bond -\$6.774 Billion -\$3.302 Billion -\$2.034 Municipal Bond -\$1.671 Billion Billion Change in Money Market Fund Assets for the Week Ended 9/21/22 Current Week Previous Retail \$9.08 Billion \$2.90 Billion Institutional \$22.68 Billion -\$15.26 Billion

Source: Investment Company Institute.

# Factoids for the Week of September 19, 2022

# Monday, September 19, 2022

Data from WalletHub indicates that Americans now carry a near-record amount of credit card debt, with the average household owing \$8,942, according to CNBC. The average credit card rate is currently 18.1%, according to Bankrate. Sixty percent of credit card debtors have been carrying a balance for at least a year, up from 50% at this point a year ago, according to CreditCards.com.

#### Tuesday, September 20, 2022

Moody's reported that its global speculative-grade default rate stood at 2.3% in August, according to its own release. Moody's puts the historical average default rate at 4.1%. Its baseline scenario sees the default rate increasing to 2.9% by December 2022. Moody's recorded 59 defaults over the first eight months of 2022, up from 37 defaults a year ago. The U.S. speculative-grade default rate rising to 2.4% by December 2022. The default rate on senior loans stood at 0.69% at the close of August, according to Leveraged Commentary & Data (LCD).

### Wednesday, September 21, 2022

ETFGI reported that total assets invested in ETFs/ETPs listed in the U.S. stood at \$6.43 trillion on 8/31/22, according to its own release. Capital inflows have remained strong despite the sharp selloff in the markets. Net inflows to ETFs/ETPs listed in the U.S. totaled \$386.21 billion in the first eight months of 2022. The \$189.99 billion garnered by equity ETFs/ETPs accounted for nearly half of all net inflows. Fixed income and Active ETFs/ETPs brought in a net \$107.31 billion and \$63.51 billion, respectively, over the same period.

#### Thursday, September 22, 2022

Data from the Congressional Budget Office indicates that federal tax collections are up more than 20% year-over-year for fiscal year 2022, which ends on 9/30, according to *Forbes*. At the current pace, federal tax collections in the current fiscal year will reach an all-time high of around \$5 trillion, approximately \$1 trillion more than last year's \$4 trillion in tax collections (previous record high). Individual income tax collections have risen the most, up 32% to \$2.4 trillion.

#### Friday, September 23, 2022

ATTOM Data Solutions reported that 115,198 U.S. single family homes and condos were flipped in Q2'22, the second-highest total ATTOM has recorded in the past 22 years, according to its own release. The homes flipped represented 8.2% of total home sales, up from 5.3% a year ago. The median sales price of flipped properties was \$328,000, the highest ever recorded. Homes flipped in Q2'22 typically generated a gross profit of \$73,700, up from \$66,944 a year ago. That translated into a 29.0% return on investment. In Q2'22, 63.0% of the homes flipped were purchased with cash-only. The average flip took 165 days to complete.

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