

# Market Watch

Week of May 26

-\$3.73 Billion

Billion

-\$1.29

Stock Index Performance						
Index	Week	YTD	12-mo.	2024	5-yr.	
Dow Jones Industrial Avg. (41,603)	-2.43%	-1.56%	8.39%	14.99%	13.40%	
S&P 500 (5,803)	-2.58%	-0.82%	11.62%	25.00%	16.16%	
NASDAQ 100 (20,916)	-2.38%	-0.16%	13.18%	25.88%	18.22%	
S&P 500 Growth	-2.48%	0.08%	17.62%	35.81%	16.70%	
S&P 500 Value	-2.70%	-1.83%	4.26%	12.27%	14.60%	
S&P MidCap 400 Growth	-3.43%	-3.64%	-0.70%	15.93%	11.42%	
S&P MidCap 400 Value	-3.68%	-4.52%	5.81%	11.65%	15.71%	
S&P SmallCap 600 Growth	-3.61%	-6.15%	-0.73%	9.55%	10.97%	
S&P SmallCap 600 Value	-4.71%	-12.76%	-2.61%	7.54%	12.88%	
Russell 2000	-3.45%	-8.07%	0.93%	11.53%	9.93%	
MSCI EAFE	1.42%	17.06%	13.46%	3.82%	11.76%	
MSCI World (ex US)	1.12%	14.47%	13.16%	5.53%	10.67%	
MSCI World	-1.53%	3.57%	11.71%	18.67%	14.24%	
MSCI Emerging Markets	0.34%	9.88%	10.70%	7.50%	7.39%	
S&P GSCI	0.44%	-0.60%	-1.86%	9.25%	18.96%	

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 5/23/25. An index cannot be purchased directly by investors. Past performance is no quarantee of future results.

S&P Sector Performance						
Index	Week	YTD	12-mo.	2024	5-yr.	
Communication Services	-0.62%	1.44%	18.49%	40.23%	14.97%	
Consumer Discretionary	-3.09%	-7.55%	20.04%	30.14%	12.31%	
Consumer Staples	-0.36%	6.53%	12.47%	14.87%	11.81%	
Energy	-4.12%	-3.47%	-7.22%	5.72%	21.27%	
Financials	-3.07%	3.94%	22.98%	30.50%	20.17%	
Health Care	-2.13%	-4.89%	-8.59%	2.58%	7.28%	
Industrials	-2.00%	7.24%	15.36%	17.30%	19.05%	
Information Technology	-3.45%	-3.84%	11.60%	36.61%	22.17%	
Materials	-1.18%	2.70%	-3.34%	-0.04%	12.37%	
Real Estate	-3.26%	0.59%	12.72%	5.23%	8.08%	
Utilities	-1.48%	7.82%	18.01%	23.43%	10.99%	

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Bond Index Performance						
Index	Week	YTD	12-mo.	2024	5-yr.	
U.S. Treasury: Intermediate	0.04%	2.52%	5.85%	2.42%	-0.12%	
GNMA 30 Year	-0.66%	1.52%	4.69%	0.95%	-1.02%	
U.S. Aggregate	-0.45%	1.56%	4.64%	1.25%	-1.03%	
U.S. Corporate High Yield	-0.47%	1.93%	8.44%	8.19%	6.01%	
U.S. Corporate Investment Grade	-0.52%	1.14%	4.61%	2.13%	0.08%	
Municipal Bond: Long Bond (22+)	-1.12%	-3.90%	-1.50%	1.40%	-0.26%	
Global Aggregate	0.52%	4.73%	6.50%	-1.69%	-1.30%	

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Key Rates					
Fed Funds	4.25% - 4.50%	2-yr T-Note	3.99%		
CPI - Headline	2.30%	5-yr T-Note	4.08%		
CPI - Core	2.80%	10-yr T-Note	4.51%		
Money Market Accts.	0.46%	30-yr T-Bond	5.04%		
1-yr CD	1.99%	30-yr Fixed Mortgage	6.89%		
3-yr CD	1.69%	Prime Rate	7.50%		
5-yr CD	1.70%	Bond Buyer 40	4.95%		

Sources: Bankrate.com, Federal Reserve Bank NY, & US Bureau of Labor Statistics. All data as of 5/23/25. National average banking rates are displayed for the Money Market Accts., 1-yr CD, 3-yr CD and 5-yr CD.

Market Indicators				
Investment Grade Spread (A2)	111 bps			
ICE BofA US High Yield Constrained Index Spread	340 bps			
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Source: Bloomberg. As of 5/23/25.						
Weekly Fund Flows						
Estimated Flows to Long-Term Mutual Funds for the Week Ended 5/14/25						
Current Week Previous						
Domestic Equity	\$8.426	Billion	-\$15.972	Billion		
Foreign Equity	\$3.380	Billion	-\$708	Million		
Taxable Bond	\$17.461	Billion	\$11.171	Billion		
Municipal Bond	\$1.543	Billion	\$1.467	Billion		
Change in Money Market Fund Assets for Week Ended 5/21/25						
Current Week			Previo	ous		

Source: Investment Company Institute.

## Factoids for the Week of May 19, 2025

\$24.70

\$2.97 Billion

Billion

Institutional

Monday, May 19, 2025 LIMRA reported that U.S. annuity sales totaled \$105.4 billion (preliminary results) in Q1'25, representing the sixth consecutive quarter where total annuity sales surpassed \$100 million. Fixed-rate deferred annuity sales totaled \$39.5 billion in Q1'25, followed by fixed indexed annuities, which garnered \$26.7 billion in sales over the time frame. Sales of registered index-linked annuities totaled \$17.5 billion during the quarter, an increase of 21% year-over-year.

### Tuesday, May 20, 2025

ETFGI reported that total assets invested in ETFs/ETPs listed globally stood at \$15.19 trillion at the end of March 2025, up from \$14.85 trillion in December 2024. Net inflows into ETFs/ETPs listed globally totaled \$463.51 billion in Q1'25, a record for the first quarter. Equity ETFs reported \$211.58 billion in net inflows in Q1'25, down from \$234.73 billion in net inflows over the same period last year. Fixed income ETFs saw net inflows of \$81.26 billion in Q1'25, up from \$62.75 billion in net inflows in Q1'24.

### Wednesday, May 21, 2025

Moody's reported that its trailing 12-month global speculative-grade default rate stood at 4.1% at the end of April 2025 (preliminary results), down from 4.6% in the previous month. Its baseline scenario sees the global default rate decreasing to 3.3% in December 2025. Moody's puts the global historical average default rate at 4.2%. The U.S. speculative-grade default rate stood at 5.4% in April. Moody's baseline scenario sees the U.S. default rate decreasing to 3.8% in December 2025. For comparison, in January, Moody's estimated that the global and U.S. speculative-grade default rates would decline to 2.6% and 2.7%, respectively, by December 2025.

**Thursday, May 22, 2025**Data from FactSet revealed that a total of 3,031 mergers & acquisitions (M&A) were announced in the U.S. market in Q1'25, down from 3,668 deals announced over the same period last year. Despite the decline in deal activity, aggregate M&A spending increased year-over-year. Aggregate M&A spending totaled \$620.1 billion in Q1'25, up from \$467.8 billion in Q1'24.

Friday, May 23, 2025
GasBuddy, a fuel savings platform, reported that it expects the average price of regular-grade gasoline will total \$3.08 per gallon in the U.S. on Memorial Day 2025, down from \$3.58 per gallon on Memorial Day last year, according to CBS News. The platform estimates that gasoline prices will continue to decline throughout the summer months, falling to \$3.02 per gallon by Labor Day 2025. California and Mississippi currently have the highest and lowest gasoline prices nationwide, charging an average of \$4.83 and \$2.64 per gallon, respectively.

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