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Market Watch

Week of July 7th

| Stock Index Performance | | | | | |
|------------------------------------|-------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Index | Week | YTD | 12-mo. | 2024 | 5-yr. |
| Dow Jones Industrial Avg. (44,829) | 3.36% | 6.33% | 16.11% | 14.99% | 13.86% |
| S&P 500 (6,279) | 2.29% | 7.49% | 14.92% | 25.00% | 16.66% |
| NASDAQ 100 (22,867) | 1.89% | 9.26% | 14.16% | 25.88% | 18.11% |
| S&P 500 Growth | 2.00% | 9.69% | 17.72% | 35.81% | 17.10% |
| S&P 500 Value | 2.63% | 5.08% | 11.74% | 12.27% | 15.30% |
| S&P MidCap 400 Growth | 2.85% | 2.70% | 6.94% | 15.93% | 11.69% |
| S&P MidCap 400 Value | 3.59% | 3.46% | 15.59% | 11.65% | 16.44% |
| S&P SmallCap 600 Growth | 2.97% | 1.31% | 7.54% | 9.55% | 11.21% |
| S&P SmallCap 600 Value | 4.26% | -3.58% | 9.53% | 7.54% | 13.80% |
| Russell 2000 | 3.61% | 1.56% | 11.93% | 11.53% | 10.88% |
| MSCI EAFE | 1.22% | 19.61% | 16.13% | 3.82% | 10.85% |
| MSCI World (ex US) | 1.19% | 18.54% | 16.84% | 5.53% | 9.83% |
| MSCI World | 2.00% | 10.48% | 15.66% | 18.67% | 14.49% |
| MSCI Emerging Markets | 1.00% | 16.74% | 16.00% | 7.50% | 6.44% |
| S&P GSCI | 1.58% | 3.74% | 0.17% | 9.25% | 17.57% |

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 7/3/25. 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. | 2024 | 5-yr. |
| Communication Services | 1.39% | 10.59% | 21.02% | 40.23% | 16.45% |
| Consumer Discretionary | 2.65% | -2.23% | 17.05% | 30.14% | 11.53% |
| Consumer Staples | 2.15% | 7.42% | 13.43% | 14.87% | 11.28% |
| Energy | 1.58% | 3.56% | -1.55% | 5.72% | 23.42% |
| Financials | 2.81% | 10.92% | 29.81% | 30.50% | 20.47% |
| Health Care | 1.04% | -0.56% | -3.77% | 2.58% | 7.72% |
| Industrials | 2.79% | 14.11% | 24.41% | 17.30% | 18.56% |
| Information Technology | 2.56% | 9.63% | 13.00% | 36.61% | 23.19% |
| Materials | 3.82% | 9.92% | 6.19% | -0.04% | 11.89% |
| Real Estate | 2.10% | 4.44% | 13.30% | 5.23% | 6.88% |
| Utilities | 0.87% | 9.64% | 23.19% | 23.43% | 10.62% |

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| Bond Index Performance | | | | | |
|---------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Index | Week | YTD | 12-mo. | 2024 | 5-yr. |
| U.S. Treasury: Intermediate | -0.41% | 3.49% | 5.59% | 2.42% | 0.04% |
| GNMA 30 Year | -0.38% | 3.69% | 5.58% | 0.95% | -0.59% |
| U.S. Aggregate | -0.31% | 3.56% | 5.33% | 1.25% | -0.84% |
| U.S. Corporate High Yield | 0.53% | 4.78% | 10.48% | 8.19% | 5.85% |
| U.S. Corporate Investment Grade | 0.10% | 3.96% | 6.17% | 2.13% | -0.02% |
| Municipal Bond: Long Bond (22+) | -0.15% | -3.63% | -2.13% | 1.40% | -0.55% |
| Global Aggregate | -0.07% | 7.09% | 8.38% | -1.69% | -1.21% |
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| Key Rates | | | | | |
|---------------------|---------------|----------------------|-------|--|--|
| Fed Funds | 4.25% - 4.50% | 2-yr T-Note | 3.88% | | |
| CPI - Headline | 2.40% | 5-yr T-Note | 3.94% | | |
| CPI - Core | 2.80% | 10-yr T-Note | 4.35% | | |
| Money Market Accts. | 0.46% | 30-yr T-Bond | 4.86% | | |
| 1-yr CD | 2.01% | 30-yr Fixed Mortgage | 6.80% | | |
| 3-yr CD | 1.68% | Prime Rate | 7.50% | | |
| 5-yr CD | 1.70% | Bond Buyer 40 | 4.94% | | |

Sources: Bankrate.com, Federal Reserve Bank NY, & US Bureau of Labor Statistics. Prime Rate as of 7/1/25. All other data as of 7/3/25. National average banking

rates are displayed for the Money Market Accts., 1-yr CD, 3-yr CD and 5-yr CD.

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Market Indicators Investment Grade Spread (A2) 95 bps ICE BofA US High Yield Constrained Index Spread 280 bps Source: Bloomberg. As of 7/3/25. Weekly Fund Flows Estimated Flows to Long-Term Mutual Funds for the Eight-Day Period Ended 6/25/25 Current Week Previous **Domestic Equity** -\$3.038 Billion -\$11.742 Billion Foreign Equity \$7.244 Billion \$7.602 Billion Taxable Bond \$10.149 Billion \$7.179 Billion Municipal Bond \$1.615 Billion \$1.277 Billion Change in Money Market Fund Assets for the Week Ended 7/2/25 Current Week Previous \$11.78 Billion \$5.17 Billion Retail \$2.47 Billion Institutional \$43.78 Billion Source: Investment Company Institute.

Factoids for the Week of June 30, 2025

Monday, June 30, 2025

Fidelity Investments reported that the average 401(k) balance for accounts it services stood at \$127,100 in Q1'25, an increase of 1% year-over-year. The average value of assets held in individual retirement accounts declined by 1% over the period to \$121,983. Higher savings rates contributed to the increase in 401(k) account balances. Fidelity noted that the average 401(k) savings rate stood at a record 14.3% in Q1'25.

Tuesday, July 1, 2025

Morgan Stanley research reported that China's robotics market is projected to Surge from \$47 billion today to \$108 billion by 2028, according to NBC News. China is expected to have 302.3 million humanoid robots in use by 2050, compared to 77.7 million projected in the U.S. over the period. The 2025 World Humanoid Robot Games, which will be hosted in China from August 15-17, will feature eleven robot sports, including gymnastics, track and field, and soccer.

Wednesday, July 2, 2025 In June 2025, the dividend-payers (407) in the S&P 500 Index (equal weight) posted a total return of 2.71% vs. 5.16% for the non-payers (96), according to S&P Dow Jones Indices. For the 12-month period ended in June, payers were up 11.40% vs. a gain of 12.82% for the non-payers. The number of dividend increases totaled 11 in June 2025, down from 13 in June 2024. Zero dividends were cut or suspended during the month, unchanged from last year.

Thursday, July 3, 2025

The American Pyrotechnics Association reported that sales of consumer fireworks totaled \$2.2 billion in 2024, unchanged from total sales in 2023, according to its own release. Sales of consumer fireworks first crossed \$1.0 billion in 2019, before exploding to \$2.3 billion in 2022 as COVID-19 lockdowns were removed. For comparison, sales of fireworks for municipal or professional display stood at \$375 million in 2019 and increased to \$400 million in 2022.

Friday, July 4, 2025 No Factoid - Holiday