

Stock Index Performance

Index	Week	YTD	12-mo.	2008	5-yr
Dow Jones Industrial Avg. (10,389)	0.78%	22.06%	28.04%	-31.92%	2.22%
S&P 500 (1,106)	1.36%	25.27%	34.15%	-36.99%	0.60%
NASDAQ 100 (1,792)	1.50%	48.91%	60.05%	-41.57%	2.64%
S&P 500/Citigroup Growth	0.84%	29.63%	40.01%	-34.91%	1.49%
S&P 500/Citigroup Value	1.96%	20.69%	28.00%	-39.19%	-0.39%
S&P MidCap 400/Citigroup Growth	1.71%	36.19%	54.57%	-37.58%	3.59%
S&P MidCap 400/Citigroup Value	3.70%	29.00%	46.39%	-34.78%	2.70%
S&P SmallCap 600/Citigroup Growth	3.29%	21.30%	36.15%	-32.84%	1.15%
S&P SmallCap 600/Citigroup Value	4.71%	18.21%	35.48%	-29.50%	0.30%
MSCI EAFE	3.07%	33.35%	47.31%	-43.07%	4.31%
MSCI World (ex US)	3.26%	42.18%	58.08%	-43.26%	6.51%
MSCI World	2.14%	29.92%	41.72%	-40.39%	2.45%
MSCI Emerging Markets	4.52%	77.19%	100.59%	-53.49%	16.28%

Source: Bloomberg. Returns are total returns. The 5-yr. return is an average annual. One-week, YTD, 12-mo. and 5-yr. performance returns calculated through 12/07/09.

S&P Sector Performance

Index	Week	YTD	12-mo.	2008	5-yr
Consumer Discretionary	1.34%	37.49%	45.77%	-33.49%	-1.84%
Consumer Staples	0.60%	16.45%	21.14%	-15.44%	6.35%
Energy	-1.40%	13.14%	23.95%	-34.89%	10.40%
Financials	2.40%	18.63%	27.28%	-55.23%	-10.86%
Health Care	0.79%	18.51%	30.05%	-22.80%	3.04%
Industrials	2.28%	21.90%	28.73%	-39.92%	-0.75%
Information Technology	2.23%	56.09%	68.71%	-43.14%	2.40%
Materials	0.56%	46.05%	58.20%	-45.64%	4.26%
Telecom Services	2.45%	7.07%	10.16%	-30.47%	1.48%
Utilities	3.86%	9.24%	14.81%	-28.99%	6.33%

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Bond Index Performance

Index	Week	YTD	12-mo.	2008	5-yr
U.S. Treasury: Intermediate	-0.85%	-0.25%	0.37%	11.35%	4.95%
GNMA 30 Year	-0.59%	6.35%	8.26%	7.87%	5.88%
U.S. Aggregate	-0.80%	6.69%	9.39%	5.24%	5.22%
U.S. Corporate High Yield	0.56%	54.32%	67.37%	-26.16%	6.19%
U.S. Corporate Investment Grade	-0.99%	18.44%	24.50%	-4.94%	4.70%
Municipal Bond: Long Bond (22+)	0.71%	22.64%	26.54%	-14.68%	4.02%
Global Aggregate	-1.15%	9.52%	14.87%	4.79%	5.25%

Source: Barclays Capital. Returns are total returns. The 5-yr. return is an average annual. One-week, YTD, 12-mo. and 5-yr. performance returns calculated through 12/07/09.

Key Rates

As of 12/07

Fed Funds	0.00-0.25%	5-yr CD	2.94%
LIBOR (1-month)	0.24%	2-yr T-Note	0.83%
CPI - Headline	-0.20%	5-yr T-Note	2.24%
CPI - Core	1.70%	10-yr T-Note	3.47%
Money Market Accts.	0.96%	30-yr T-Bond	4.40%
Money Market Funds	0.04%	30-yr Mortgage	5.03%
6-mo. CD	1.24%	Prime Rate	3.25%
1-yr CD	1.74%	Bond Buyer 40	5.39%

Sources: Bankrate.com, iMoneyNet.com and Bloomberg.

Market Indicators

As of 12/07

TED Spread	20 bps
Investment Grade Spread (A2)	225 bps
ML High Yield Master II Index Spread	726 bps

Sources: Bloomberg and Merrill Lynch via Bloomberg.

Weekly Fund Flows for the Week Ended 11/25/09

Estimated Flows to Long-Term Mutual Funds

	Current Week	Previous
Domestic Equity	-\$2.354 Billion	-\$1.276 Billion
Foreign Equity	\$994 Million	\$2.239 Billion
Taxable Bond	\$7.168 Billion	\$8.876 Billion
Municipal Bond	\$1.053 Billion	\$1.253 Billion

Change in Money Market Fund Assets

	Current Week	Previous
Retail	-\$3.97 Billion	-\$5.39 Billion
Institutional	-\$4.39 Billion	-\$2.43 Billion

Source: Investment Company Institute

Factoids for the week of November 30th – December 4th

Monday, November 30, 2009

Institutional investors continue to funnel money into the stock market, but retail investors remain cautious, according to Bloomberg. In the first 10 months of 2009, bond funds reported net inflows totaling \$312.8 billion, while stock funds experienced net outflows totaling \$1.9 billion, according to the ICI. Stock fund investors liquidated \$17.5 billion more in the past two months (September-October) than they put in. Since 1941, the year that Thanksgiving became an official holiday, the S&P 500 has been up 20% or more (price-only) through Thanksgiving on 16 occasions, and this year is one of them (+22.96%), according to Bespoke Investment Group.

Tuesday, December 1, 2009

India's \$1.2 trillion economy grew by an annualized 7.9% in Q3'09, its highest growth rate since the Indian government began releasing figures in 1996, according to *BusinessWeek*. The government believes the economy will grow at a 9.0% clip in the next fiscal year, which runs through March 2011. The impressive surge in economic activity, which was broad-based, was aided by an \$80 billion stimulus package that included tax cuts.

Wednesday, December 2, 2009

In November, the dividend-payers (360) in the S&P 500 (equal weight) posted a total return of 5.77%, vs. 4.86% for the non-payers (140), according to Standard & Poor's. Year-to-date, the payers are up 21.47%, vs. a gain of 54.13% for the non-payers. For the 12-month period ended November '09, payers were up 26.83%, vs. a gain of 60.11% for the non-payers. The number of dividend increases year-to-date totaled 137. That significantly lagged the 225 increases registered at this point in 2008. The number of companies that decreased their dividend totaled 68, up from 37 a year ago. Ten companies have suspended their dividend payments, down from 18 a year ago.

Thursday, December 3, 2009

Goldman Sachs sees Brazil's economy expanding by 5.8% in 2010, an upgrade from its earlier estimate of 4.8%, according to Bloomberg. Brazil's output rose for the tenth consecutive month in October, up 2.2%. The strong growth will likely be accompanied by rate hikes at some point. Its benchmark interest rate is currently at a record-low 8.75%, but could rise to 12.50% by the end of 2010, according to Goldman Sachs. Brazil's \$1.6 trillion economy was fueled this year by a \$58 billion injection from the government, including tax cuts on cars and consumer goods.

Friday, December 4, 2009

There is one month remaining in this decade. The S&P 500 has posted a cumulative total return of -10.8% over the past 119 months, according to Bloomberg. Three out of the 10 major sectors that comprise the index are largely responsible for the poor showing: Technology (-54.1%); Telecom Services (-52.4%); and Financials (-21.7%). Here are the other seven from best to worst: Energy (+149.4%); Consumer Staples (+66.9%); Materials (+56.3%); Utilities (+52.4%); Health Care (+27.5%); Industrials (+6.9%); and Consumer Discretionary (-15.5%).