



Capital Markets Snapshot

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Week ending June 28, 2024

The equity markets had a mixed week to close out the first half of the year; however, on a year-to-date basis, all three major equity indices have shown impressive gains. Economic news last week showed inflation continues to trend lower as the core Personal Consumption Expenditure (PCE) Index for May was reported in line with expectations with an annual gain at 2.6%. This marked the lowest annual rate since 2021. In other economic news, U.S. personal income exceeded expectations with a gain of 0.5% but consumer spending came in slightly below forecasts. The University of Michigan Consumer Sentiment Index came in above expectations with participants also showing a decline in inflation expectations.

Fixed Income Markets Overview

- U.S. Treasury yields were higher at the end of the week following the positive PCE report.
- On Friday, the 2-, 10-, and 30-year U.S. Treasury yields are all higher than they were at the start of the year.
- The spread between the 2-year and 10-year U.S Treasury remains inverted by 35 basis points.

Asset Class	Name	1W	YTD	3Y(Ann.)	5Y(Ann.)
Short	1-3 Year Govt/Credit	0.0%	1.4%	0.6%	1.2%
	Core Plus				
Core Plus	Intermediate Govt/Credit	-0.2%	0.5%	-1.2%	0.7%
	International Aggregate	-0.4%	-3.2%	-5.5%	-2.0%
	US Aggregate	-0.6%	-0.7%	-3.0%	-0.2%
	US Treasury	-0.6%	-0.9%	-3.2%	-0.7%
	US TIPS	-0.2%	0.7%	-1.3%	2.1%
	US Corporate	-0.7%	-0.5%	-3.0%	0.6%
	US Corporate High Yield	0.0%	2.6%	1.7%	3.9%
Other	Emerging Markets Aggregate	-0.4%	2.2%	-2.2%	0.5%
Muni	US Municipals	-0.2%	-0.4%	-0.9%	1.2%
	US Municipals High Yield	-0.4%	4.1%	0.2%	3.0%

Source: Bloomberg as of June 28, 2024

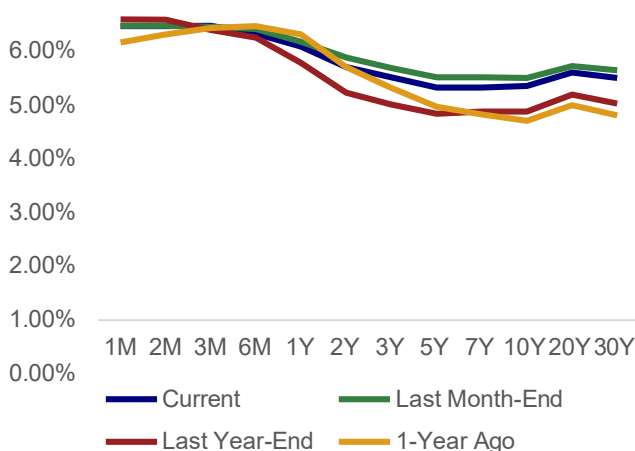
Interest Rates (%)

Date	6/28/2024	5/31/2024	12/29/2023	6/28/2023
Federal Funds Rate	5.47%	5.48%	5.60%	5.17%
3 Month Treasury	5.48%	5.46%	5.40%	5.44%
6 Month Treasury	5.33%	5.42%	5.26%	5.47%
2 Year Treasury	4.71%	4.89%	4.23%	4.71%
5 Year Treasury	4.33%	4.52%	3.84%	3.97%
10 Year Treasury	4.36%	4.51%	3.88%	3.71%
30 Year Treasury	4.51%	4.65%	4.03%	3.81%
US Aggregate	5.00%	5.10%	4.53%	4.71%
US Corporate	5.48%	5.52%	5.06%	5.43%
US Corporate High Yield	7.91%	8.00%	7.59%	8.56%
US Municipal	3.72%	3.93%	3.22%	3.49%
US Municipal High Yield	5.43%	5.63%	5.57%	5.70%

Spreads Over 10-Year US Treasuries

Date	6/28/2024	5/31/2024	12/29/2023	6/28/2023
30 Year Treasury	0.15%	0.14%	0.15%	0.10%
US Aggregate	0.64%	0.59%	0.65%	1.00%
US Corporate	1.12%	1.01%	1.18%	1.72%
US Corporate High Yield	3.55%	3.49%	3.71%	4.85%
US Municipal	-0.64%	-0.58%	-0.66%	-0.22%
US Municipal High Yield	1.07%	1.12%	1.69%	1.99%

U.S. Treasury Yield Curve



Source: Bloomberg and U.S Treasury as of June 28, 2024

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Equity Markets Overview

- The Nasdaq was the only positive equity index for the week with a slight gain of 0.3% but was the clear winner for the first half of the year with a gain of 18.6%. The S&P 500 was down by 0.1% for the week but is up 15.3% year-to-date. The Dow Jones Industrial Average was also down for the week with a loss of 0.1% but is up 4.8% so far this year.
- Energy was the leading sector last week with a gain of 2.7%. The other sectors remained mixed with seven sectors showing losses for the week.
- For the year-to-date, technology has been the winner among the equity sectors with a gain of 28.2%, followed closely by Communication Services with an increase of 26.7%. Of the eleven S&P 500 sectors, the only negative sector for the year is Real Estate with a loss of 1.9%.
- Stocks in the news last week included Nike, which was able to beat earnings expectations but cut their annual guidance based on slowing sales from China. Pharmacy giant Walgreens reported disappointing earnings and reduced their full year outlook due to a challenging environment.

Asset Class	Name	1W	YTD	3Y(Ann.)	5Y(Ann.)
All-Cap	S&P 1500	0.0%	14.3%	9.5%	14.6%
Large-Cap	S&P 500	-0.1%	15.3%	10.1%	15.0%
	S&P 500 Growth	0.2%	23.6%	9.4%	16.9%
	S&P 500 Value	-0.4%	5.8%	9.7%	11.9%
Mid-Cap	S&P Midcap 400	0.0%	6.2%	4.5%	10.3%
	S&P Midcap 400 Growth	-0.3%	11.7%	4.0%	10.5%
	S&P Midcap 400 Value	0.3%	0.4%	4.8%	9.5%
Small-Cap	S&P Smallcap 600	1.2%	-0.7%	-0.1%	8.1%
	S&P Smallcap 600 Growth	1.3%	3.3%	0.1%	8.3%
	S&P Smallcap 600 Value	1.1%	-4.7%	-0.5%	7.4%
Int'l.	MSCI ACWI ex-USA	0.4%	5.7%	0.3%	5.5%
	MSCI EM	0.1%	7.5%	-5.1%	3.1%

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Alternative Markets Overview

- Oil continues to trend higher with a gain of 1.0% last week. For the year-to-date, the price per barrel has risen by over 19%.
- Gold was relatively flat for the week but has also seen some significant gains in 2024 with an increase of over 12%.
- Bitcoin closed out a disappointing quarter after reaching a new high in mid-March of this year. However, for the year-to-date, the price of the cryptocurrency is up over 43%.

Name	1W	YTD	3Y (Ann.)	5Y (Ann.)
S&P GSCI	0.0%	11.1%	13.1%	8.3%
Gold	0.4%	12.9%	9.9%	10.6%
FTSE All Equity NAREIT	1.1%	-2.2%	-1.8%	3.4%
Bitcoin	-6.3%	43.1%	18.2%	37.3%
Ethereum	-4.4%	46.4%	14.9%	61.2%

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Upcoming Week

- Despite the upcoming holiday week, the markets have a full slate of economic releases scheduled including the ISM Manufacturing Index, Construction Spending, Factory Orders, and U.S. Trade Balance.
- Look for the all-important jobs report on Friday. The market is currently looking for a gain of 189,000 jobs in June, down from May's level of 272,000.

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Bloomberg Galaxy Ethereum Index is designed to measure the performance of a single Ethereum traded in USD.

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