

Last Week's Summary

- S&P 500 Index rose 0.56%
- International Equities rose 1.61%
- Emerging Markets rose 2.01%
- U.S. 10-Year Treasury Yield fell to 4.50%
- Initial Jobless Claims fell to 208k
- FOMC left rates unchanged at 5.25%–5.50%
- Change in Nonfarm Payrolls fell to 175k
- Unemployment Rate rose to 3.9%

What to Watch for This Week

- T, 5/7/24 Consumer Credit
- W, 5/8/24 Wholesale Inventories, MBA Mortgage Applications
- Th, 5/9/24 Initial Jobless Claims, Continuing Claims
- F, 5/10/24 U. of Mich. Sentiment, U. of Mich. 1-Year Inflation

Weekly Market Recap

Equities rose in their most significant rally, on Friday, since February, propelled by a notable deceleration in U.S. job growth that caused bond yields to plummet. This development reignited trader optimism for potential Federal Reserve interest rate cuts later this year. On Friday, the S&P 500 surged by 1.3%, fueled further by Apple Inc.'s impressive post-earnings performance. The tech-dominated Nasdag 100 also saw a robust climb of 2%. Reflecting the newfound confidence, Wall Street's "fear gauge," the VIX. descended to its lowest level in over a month. Investor concerns about "stagflation" or a looming recession were assuaged by a jobs report that, while softer than anticipated, did not indicate a labor market downturn. Instead, it suggested a gradual economic slowdown, bolstering the case for a Fed responsive to evolving data. This sentiment was reinforced by Fed Chair Jerome Powell's remarks following Wednesday's decision to maintain interest rates, where he hinted at a predisposition towards easing policy rather than tightening. In a parallel development, unexpected contraction in the U.S. services sector for the first time since 2022 was reported on Friday. This decline was underscored by a business activity gauge slumping to a four-year low, coupled with a rise in input costs. These mixed signals further underscored the delicate balance the Fed faces in navigating economic uncertainties while maintaining stability.

WEEKLY MARKET DAT		Index Returns (%)							
Equities	Level	1 Week	QTD	YTD	1 YR	3 YR	5 YR	10 YR	Max DD
S&P 500	5,151.86	0.56	-2.32	7.99	29.96	11.48	15.03	12.94	-55.25
Dow Jones Industrial Avg.	38,834.02	1.14	-2.76	3.21	22.24	8.66	11.31	11.75	-53.78
Nasdaq Composite	16,241.26	1.44	-1.33	7.86	35.25	8.22	17.24	15.79	-77.93
Russell 2000	2,035.72	1.71	-4.11	0.85	19.72	-0.14	8.07	7.55	-59.89
MSCI EAFE	2,309.49	1.65	-1.17	4.72	16.00	5.41	7.95	5.40	-61.85
MSCI ACWI ex USA	326.85	1.61	-0.35	4.47	13.89	2.48	6.53	4.81	-62.17
MSCI Emerging Market	1,061.45	2.01	2.00	4.50	8.57	-4.72	2.57	3.32	-66.06
S&P 500 Growth	3,363.52	0.96	-1.36	11.22	33.82	10.19	15.77	14.55	-61.84
S&P 500 Value	1,778.66	0.08	-3.49	4.29	25.64	12.15	13.23	10.60	-63.27
S&P High Dividend	9,930.27	0.86	-2.21	3.62	9.52	6.85	9.12	10.22	-54.72
S&P 500 Buy Backs	46,522.32	-0.88	-5.87	3.72	25.74	10.14	13.89	11.93	-57.19
S&P 500 Low Volatility	10,315.58	0.27	-2.56	3.13	8.51	6.85	7.15	9.48	-40.04
Fixed Income	Yield	1 Week	QTD	YTD	1 YR	3 YR	5 YR	10 YR	Max DD
U.S. Aggregate	5.09	1.17	-1.29	-2.06	1.70	-2.46	0.36	1.54	-18.41
IG LLS Corporates	5.47	1 27	-1 2/1	-1.64	116	-1.86	1 30	2.49	-21 31

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IG U.S. Corporates	5.47	1.27	-1.24	-1.64	4.16	-1.86	1.39	2.49	-21.31
Municipals	4.12	0.61	-0.57	-0.66	3.34	-0.20	1.66	2.69	-15.11
High Yield Municipals	5.60	0.85	0.09	1.60	7.93	0.55	3.03	4.55	-30.59
High Yield Corporates	7.85	1.06	0.00	1.47	11.18	2.20	4.21	4.44	-35.34
S&P/LSTA Leveraged Loan	9.36	0.29	0.85	2.84	12.10	5.51	5.13	4.10	-33.03
S&P U.S. Preferred Stock	6.80	1.52	-1.55	2.22	5.90	0.49	3.76	4.52	-71.77
Strategic Blend		1 Week	QTD	YTD	1 YR	3 YR	5 YR	10 YR	Max DD
60/40 S&P 500/AGG		0.77	-1.89	3.87	17.88	6.00	9.06	8.21	-32.19
60/40 MSCI ACWI/AGG		1.01	-1.45	3.03	14.38	3.55	6.90	6.05	-35.34

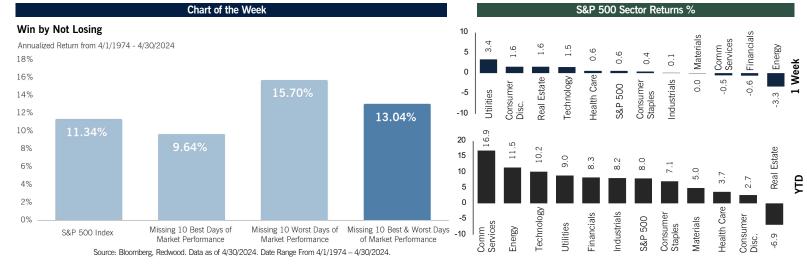
Levels %					
5/3/2024	12/29/2023	12/30/2022	12/31/2021	12/31/2020	5/3/2021
4.50	3.85	4.00	1.26	0.36	0.82
4.51	3.88	3.87	1.51	0.91	1.60
2.50	2.02	2.57	-0.19	-0.57	-0.20
5.51	5.37	5.10	0.36	0.32	0.22
5.59	5.59	4.77	0.21	0.24	0.18
8.50	8.50	7.50	3.25	3.25	3.25
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Index Characteristics						
Div. Yld (%) FCF Yld (%) P/E P/B						
1.39	3.31	24.53	4.24			
1.87	1.81	22.72	4.63			
0.73	2.44	38.57	5.51			
1.50	2.46	36.79	1.58			
2.97	5.18	15.30	1.80			
2.91	5.17	15.47	1.74			
2.75	5.15	15.38	1.57			
0.65	2.96	33.43	8.88			
2.31	3.77	18.51	2.59			
2.91	3.67	19.20	2.93			
1.26	7.75	13.92	2.64			
2.30	3.43	19.32	3.59			

Levels						
Currencies	5/3/2024	12/29/2023	12/30/2022			
\$ per €	1.08	1.10	1.07			
≠ per \$	153.05	141.04	131.12			
per £	1.25	1.27	1.21			

Commodities	5/3/2024 1	2/29/20231	2/30/2022
Oil (WTI)	78.11	71.65	80.26
Natural Gas	2.14	2.51	4.48
Gold	2,301.74	2,062.98	1,824.02
Silver	26.56	23.80	23.95
Copper	457.35	389.05	381.05

Net Flows (\$ Millions)							
Fund Flows 1 Week YTD 1 Ye							
Equities	-6,571	24,469	-21,711				
Fixed Income	1,831	174,620	253,389				
Commodities	676	-2,502	-11,282				





Definitions and Disclosures

Market Recap and Chart of the Week: See below for S&P 500 information.

Abbreviations: MAX DD refers to Maximum Drawdown from 1/1/2000 to the as of data date indicated. A drawdown is a measure of peak to trough loss in a given period; maximum drawdown is a measure of the maximum peak to trough percentage loss in any given period. YTD refers to year to date and QTD refers to quarter to date.

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