

Stock Index Performance

Index	Week	YTD	12-mo.	2009	5-yr
Dow Jones Industrial Avg. (10,997)	0.71%	6.25%	40.03%	22.68%	3.68%
S&P 500 (1,194)	1.43%	7.69%	42.42%	26.47%	2.34%
NASDAQ 100 (1,994)	1.79%	7.40%	49.78%	54.63%	6.63%
S&P 500 Growth	1.27%	5.72%	39.70%	31.58%	3.01%
S&P 500 Value	1.59%	9.70%	45.32%	21.17%	1.57%
S&P MidCap 400 Growth	2.09%	12.87%	54.00%	41.23%	6.40%
S&P MidCap 400 Value	2.25%	12.18%	54.58%	33.77%	5.49%
S&P SmallCap 600 Growth	1.88%	10.18%	50.54%	28.34%	4.39%
S&P SmallCap 600 Value	3.10%	14.41%	53.29%	22.86%	4.28%
MSCI EAFE	0.35%	2.52%	47.36%	31.78%	3.96%
MSCI World (ex US)	0.64%	3.69%	52.70%	41.45%	6.42%
MSCI World	0.90%	5.24%	45.07%	29.99%	3.23%
MSCI Emerging Markets	1.52%	5.86%	68.51%	78.51%	16.09%

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 04/09/10.

S&P Sector Performance

Index	Week	YTD	12-mo.	2009	5-yr
Consumer Discretionary	2.78%	14.37%	57.08%	41.33%	2.08%
Consumer Staples	-0.31%	6.02%	32.38%	14.89%	6.75%
Energy	2.37%	4.69%	27.48%	13.86%	7.69%
Financials	2.82%	15.36%	57.58%	17.24%	-7.68%
Health Care	-0.67%	3.29%	34.96%	19.70%	2.97%
Industrials	1.04%	14.92%	58.24%	20.93%	2.07%
Information Technology	1.80%	3.84%	48.90%	61.72%	5.58%
Materials	1.31%	6.10%	48.75%	48.57%	5.23%
Telecom Services	1.07%	-2.37%	7.38%	8.93%	2.71%
Utilities	0.52%	-1.78%	21.17%	11.91%	4.35%

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Bond Index Performance

Index	Week	YTD	12-mo.	2009	5-yr
U.S. Treasury: Intermediate	0.23%	0.95%	0.62%	-1.41%	4.99%
GNMA 30 Year	0.46%	1.84%	4.68%	5.37%	5.96%
U.S. Aggregate	0.41%	1.69%	7.73%	5.93%	5.40%
U.S. Corporate High Yield	0.60%	5.33%	52.85%	58.21%	7.74%
U.S. Corporate Investment Grade	0.59%	2.34%	23.54%	18.68%	5.28%
Municipal Bond: Long Bond (22+)	0.08%	2.12%	16.87%	23.43%	3.94%
Global Aggregate	-0.04%	-0.45%	10.64%	6.93%	5.03%

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 04/09/10.

Key Rates

As of 04/09

Fed Funds	0.00-0.25%	5-yr CD	2.85%
LIBOR (1-month)	0.25%	2-yr T-Note	1.05%
CPI - Headline	2.10%	5-yr T-Note	2.62%
CPI - Core	1.30%	10-yr T-Note	3.88%
Money Market Accts.	0.79%	30-yr T-Bond	4.74%
Money Market Funds	0.02%	30-yr Mortgage	5.20%
6-mo. CD	0.94%	Prime Rate	3.25%
1-yr CD	1.36%	Bond Buyer 40	5.21%

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

Market Indicators

As of 04/09

TED Spread	14 bps
Investment Grade Spread (A2)	165 bps
ML High Yield Master II Index Spread	569 bps

Sources: Bloomberg and Merrill Lynch via Bloomberg.

Weekly Fund Flows for the Week Ended 03/31/10

Estimated Flows to Long-Term Mutual Funds			
	Current Week	Previous	
Domestic Equity	-\$64 Million	-\$926 Million	
Foreign Equity	\$472 Million	\$1.220 Billion	
Taxable Bond	\$4.489 Billion	\$7.754 Billion	
Municipal Bond	\$6 Million	\$989 Million	
Change in Money Market Fund Assets			
	Current Week	Previous	
Retail	-\$3.53 Billion	-\$8.11 Billion	
Institutional	-\$14.96 Billion	-\$22.26 Billion	

Source: Investment Company Institute

Factoids for the week of April 5th – April 9th

Monday, April 5, 2010

In March, the dividend-payers (368) in the S&P 500 (equal weight) posted a total return of 6.70%, vs. 8.61% for the non-payers (132), according to Standard & Poor's. Year-to-date through March, the payers were up 8.37%, vs. a gain of 8.35% for the non-payers. For the 12-month period ended March '10, payers were up 73.46%, vs. a gain of 85.84% for the non-payers. The number of dividend increases year-to-date totaled 70. That topped the 54 increases registered at this point in 2009. One company decreased its dividend, down from 40 at this point a year ago. One company suspended its dividend, down from six a year ago.

Tuesday, April 6, 2010

Approximately 7,000 publicly owned companies report dividend information to Standard & Poor's Dividend Record. In Q1'10, 48 companies decreased their dividend distributions – a significant improvement from the record 367 cuts in Q1'09, according to S&P. The number of companies that increased their dividend payouts totaled 399 – a noticeable improvement from the 283 increases registered in Q1'09, but well below the 740 hikes in Q1'07. Howard Silverblatt, Senior Index Analyst at S&P, believes the dividend recovery will be slow and that it will take until 2013 to return to the levels reached in 2007/2008.

Wednesday, April 7, 2010

The spread between the number of companies raising guidance this past earnings season versus those lowering guidance was at one of the highest levels in more than a decade, according to Bespoke Investment Group. Technology companies offered the most optimistic outlook. Twenty-one percent of tech companies raised guidance, while only 5% lowered guidance. Health Care and Consumer Discretionary were the only other sectors to see more than 10% of companies raise guidance.

Thursday, April 8, 2010

Office vacancies just hit a 16-year high due to the elevated unemployment levels (9.7%) in the U.S. While the 162,000 new jobs reported in March is encouraging (biggest monthly gain in three years), more than 6.5 million Americans have been out of work for six months or longer – a record high, according to *The Washington Post*. Approximately 700 million square feet, or 17.2%, of the roughly 4 billion square feet of office space nationwide was unoccupied at the end of March, according to real estate research firm Reis. Commercial property prices are down 40.2% from their October 2007 peak, according to Moody's/REAL All Property Type Aggregate Index. Prices, however, are only down about 10%, on average, for those properties that kept their tenants.

Friday, April 9, 2010

MasterCard Advisors' SpendingPulse reported that online spending grew 18% (y-o-y) in March – the eighth consecutive month of double-digit growth, according to *Forbes*. In 2008, 41 of the 50 largest retail chains reported that e-commerce revenue grew as store sales declined, according to InternetRetailer.com. Online sales totaled \$155.2 billion in 2009, or 6% of total retail sales, according to Forrester Research. It estimates that online sales will total \$229.8 billion and account for 8% of total retail sales by the end of 2013.