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Stock Index Performance						
Index	Week	YTD	12-mo.	2017	5-yr.	
Dow Jones Industrial Avg. (25,451)	1.57%	4.22%	19.43%	28.11%	13.04%	
S&P 500 (2,819)	0.61%	6.55%	16.08%	21.82%	13.04%	
NASDAQ 100 (7,297)	-0.73%	14.71%	24.63%	32.99%	20.29%	
S&P 500 Growth	-0.09%	11.60%	21.76%	27.43%	15.66%	
S&P 500 Value	1.45%	1.23%	9.97%	15.35%	10.02%	
S&P MidCap 400 Growth	-1.61%	5.94%	15.29%	19.91%	12.16%	
S&P MidCap 400 Value	-0.66%	3.57%	11.11%	12.30%	10.89%	
S&P SmallCap 600 Growth	-1.45%	15.25%	24.61%	14.71%	14.69%	
S&P SmallCap 600 Value	-1.31%	8.83%	18.85%	11.43%	12.32%	
MSCI EAFE	1.35%	-0.10%	6.71%	25.03%	5.74%	
MSCI World (ex US)	1.48%	-1.23%	6.13%	27.19%	5.43%	
MSCI World	0.80%	3.70%	11.89%	22.40%	9.39%	
MSCI Emerging Markets	2.14%	-4.19%	4.55%	37.28%	5.03%	
S&P GSCI	1.59%	6.40%	21.19%	5.77%	-10.86%	

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 7/27/18. 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.	2017	5-yr.	
Consumer Discretionary	-0.45%	13.94%	22.92%	22.98%	15.20%	
Consumer Staples	0.99%	-5.20%	-1.97%	13.49%	7.95%	
Energy	2.32%	7.74%	19.11%	-1.01%	1.22%	
Financials	2.04%	1.61%	14.91%	22.14%	13.02%	
Health Care	1.40%	7.37%	12.49%	22.08%	13.31%	
Industrials	2.08%	1.11%	11.75%	21.01%	12.75%	
Information Technology	-1.15%	14.88%	29.60%	38.83%	21.82%	
Materials	1.82%	-0.87%	9.43%	23.84%	10.11%	
Real Estate	-0.16%	0.05%	2.78%	10.85%	6.02%	
Telecom Services	1.15%	-7.30%	-3.67%	-1.25%	3.53%	
Utilities	0.69%	1.69%	2.58%	12.11%	9.90%	

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Bond Index Performance						
Index	Week	YTD	12-mo.	2017	5-yr.	
U.S. Treasury: Intermediate	-0.22%	-0.92%	-1.24%	1.14%	0.95%	
GNMA 30 Year	-0.22%	-0.91%	-0.27%	1.87%	2.12%	
U.S. Aggregate	-0.17%	-1.64%	-0.72%	3.54%	2.22%	
U.S. Corporate High Yield	0.32%	1.08%	2.46%	7.51%	5.29%	
U.S. Corporate Investment Grade	0.17%	-2.57%	-0.66%	6.42%	3.45%	
Municipal Bond: Long Bond (22+)	-0.33%	-0.63%	1.90%	8.19%	5.61%	
Global Aggregate	-0.20%	-1.63%	0.01%	7.40%	1.17%	

Source: Bloomberg Barclays. Returns are total returns. 5-vr. return is an average annual. One-week, YTD, 12-mo. and 5-yr. performance returns calculated through 7/27/18. An index cannot be purchased directly by investors. Past performance is no guarantee of future results.

Key Rates					
Fed Funds	1.75-2.00%	2-yr T-Note	2.67%		
LIBOR (1-month)	2.07%	5-yr T-Note	2.84%		
CPI - Headline	2.90%	10-yr T-Note	2.95%		
CPI - Core	2.30%	30-yr T-Bond	3.08%		
Money Market Accts.	1.24%	30-yr Mortgage Refinance	4.45%		
1-yr CD	2.41%	Prime Rate	5.00%		
3-yr CD	2.47%	Bond Buyer 40	4.01%		
5-yr CD	2.77%				

Sources: Bankrate.com and Bloomberg. All other rates are as of 7/27/18.

Market Indicators	
As of 7/27/18	
TED Spread	35 bps
Investment Grade Spread (A2)	130 bps
ML High Yield Master II Index Spread	342 bps
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### Source: Bloomberg.

# Market Watch

Week of July 30th

Weekly Fund Flows						
Estimated Flows to Long-Term Mutual Funds for the Week Ended 7/18/18						
	Current	Current Week		Previous		
Domestic Equity	-\$4.141	Billion	-\$4.123	Billion		
Foreign Equity	-\$888	Million	-\$52	Million		
Taxable Bond	\$5.078	Billion	\$2.239	Billion		
Municipal Bond	\$1.677	Billion	\$980	Million		
Change in Money Market Fund Assets for the Week Ended 7/25/18						
	Current	Week	Previ	Previous		
Retail	-\$2.68	Billion	\$1.33	Billion		
Institutional	-\$0.33	Billion	-\$6.54	Billion		

Source: Investment Company Institute.

#### Factoids for the week of July 23, 2018

#### Monday, July 23, 2018

ETFGI reported that total assets invested in ETFs/ETPs listed globally stood at \$4.986 trillion at the end of June, according to its own release. In June, net inflows to ETFs/ETPs listed globally totaled \$8.69 billion, the lowest amount since January 2014. It did mark the 53rd consecutive month of net inflows. In the first half of 2018, net inflows totaled \$223.26 billion, down from \$347.73 billion at this point in 2017. A total of 442 new ETFs/ETPs were listed in the first half of 2018, up from 408 at this point a year ago.

#### Tuesday, July 24, 2018

International Data Corporation's (IDC) Worldwide Semiannual Robotics and Drones Spending Guide estimates that spending on robotics and drones will reach \$201.3 billion in 2022, according to its own release. IDC is forecasting a compound annual growth rate of 19.6% from 2017 through 2022. Spending is expected to total \$95.9 billion in 2018, with robotics accounting for \$86.6 billion of it. Of the \$86.6 billion earmarked for robotics solutions, \$58.1 billion is expected to target robotic systems, after-market robotics hardware and systems hardware.

Wednesday, July 25, 2018 In 2017, there were 456 food recalls in the U.S., down from 764 in 2016, according to 24/7 Wall St. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reports that one in six Americans become ill from foodborne diseases each year. Nearly 128,000 people end up hospitalized and 3,000 die from it. The World Health Organization estimates that one in 10 people globally fall ill from eating contaminated food and 420,000 die as a result, according to CNN.

#### Thursday, July 26, 2018

The Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts reported that overall bankruptcy filings declined 2.6% to 775,578 for the 12-month period ended 6/30/18, compared to the same period a year ago, according to Bloomberg. Nonbusiness filings, which capture consumer bankruptcies, declined 2.5% to 753,333, while business filings fell 5.0% to 22,245.

#### Friday, July 27, 2018

The National Association of Realtors reported that the dollar volume of U.S. home sales to international buyers between April 2017 and March 2018 declined 21% compared to the year-ago period, according to CNBC. Foreign buyers accounted for 8% of existing home sales, down from 10%. China accounted for 15% of international home sales, the most of any country for the sixth consecutive year. Chinese buyers also purchased the most expensive homes, with a median price of \$439,100.

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