

Stock Index Performance

Index	Week	YTD	12-mo.	2020	5-yr.
Dow Jones Industrial Avg. (31,148)	3.90%	1.87%	8.79%	9.72%	16.69%
S&P 500 (3,887)	4.67%	3.60%	18.69%	18.39%	17.92%
NASDAQ 100 (13,604)	5.28%	5.62%	46.53%	48.88%	28.93%
S&P 500 Growth	4.80%	4.26%	31.55%	33.46%	22.27%
S&P 500 Value	4.52%	2.86%	3.62%	1.35%	12.61%
S&P MidCap 400 Growth	5.85%	7.81%	29.63%	22.77%	17.89%
S&P MidCap 400 Value	5.89%	7.11%	11.43%	3.71%	13.57%
S&P SmallCap 600 Growth	6.01%	12.67%	31.71%	19.56%	19.68%
S&P SmallCap 600 Value	4.81%	11.40%	16.94%	2.48%	14.71%
MSCI EAFE	2.75%	1.66%	10.36%	7.82%	9.76%
MSCI World (ex US)	3.57%	3.79%	16.01%	10.65%	11.54%
MSCI World	4.22%	3.18%	17.19%	15.90%	14.84%
MSCI Emerging Markets	4.96%	8.18%	30.92%	18.31%	16.21%
S&P GSCI	4.54%	9.71%	-5.57%	-23.72%	1.78%

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 2/5/21. 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.	2020	5-yr.
Communication Services	7.26%	5.87%	27.10%	23.61%	11.18%
Consumer Discretionary	5.99%	6.42%	37.00%	33.30%	21.57%
Consumer Staples	2.55%	-2.75%	5.93%	10.75%	8.87%
Energy	8.29%	12.39%	-18.30%	-33.68%	-1.70%
Financials	6.63%	4.76%	1.97%	-1.76%	15.04%
Health Care	0.50%	1.93%	13.58%	13.45%	14.58%
Industrials	4.90%	0.39%	8.21%	11.05%	13.80%
Information Technology	4.93%	3.97%	37.60%	43.89%	31.44%
Materials	3.87%	1.40%	23.26%	20.73%	14.92%
Real Estate	3.16%	3.71%	-1.20%	-2.17%	9.20%
Utilities	2.31%	1.37%	-4.18%	0.52%	10.17%

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Bond Index Performance

Index	Week	YTD	12-mo.	2020	5-yr.
U.S. Treasury: Intermediate	-0.15%	-0.40%	4.35%	5.78%	2.35%
GNMA 30 Year	-0.08%	-0.26%	2.92%	3.68%	2.50%
U.S. Aggregate	-0.39%	-1.11%	4.74%	7.51%	3.79%
U.S. Corporate High Yield	0.70%	1.04%	7.52%	7.11%	9.70%
U.S. Corporate Investment Grade	-0.48%	-1.76%	5.86%	9.89%	6.18%
Municipal Bond: Long Bond (22+)	0.10%	1.08%	5.22%	6.25%	5.00%
Global Aggregate	-0.74%	-1.61%	7.08%	9.20%	3.85%

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Key Rates

Fed Funds	0.00% - 0.25%	2-yr T-Note	0.10%
LIBOR (1-month)	0.12%	5-yr T-Note	0.46%
CPI - Headline	1.40%	10-yr T-Note	1.16%
CPI - Core	1.60%	30-yr T-Bond	1.97%
Money Market Accts.	0.28%	30-yr Fixed Mortgage	2.84%
1-yr CD	0.53%	Prime Rate	3.25%
3-yr CD	0.56%	Bond Buyer 40	3.41%
5-yr CD	0.69%		

Sources: Bankrate.com, Federal Reserve Bank NY, & US Bureau of Labor Statistics. Prime Rate as of 2/2/21, LIBOR as of 2/3/21, all other data as of 2/5/21.

Market Indicators

TED Spread	16 bps
Investment Grade Spread (A2)	107 bps
ICE BofA US High Yield Constrained Index Spread	359 bps

Source: Bloomberg. As of 2/5/21.

Weekly Fund Flows

Estimated Flows to Long-Term Mutual Funds for the Week Ended 1/27/21

	Current Week	Previous
Domestic Equity	-\$6.332 Billion	-\$8.160 Billion
Foreign Equity	-\$8.774 Billion	\$378 Million
Taxable Bond	\$17.146 Billion	\$12.714 Billion
Municipal Bond	\$3.258 Billion	\$3.241 Billion

Change in Money Market Fund Assets for the Week Ended 2/3/21

	Current Week	Previous
Retail	\$6.89 Billion	-\$5.55 Billion
Institutional	-\$20.23 Billion	\$25.00 Billion

Source: Investment Company Institute.

Factoids for the Week of February 1, 2021

Monday, February 1, 2021

In January, the dividend-payers (382) in the S&P 500 Index (equal weight) posted a total return of -0.54% vs. -0.79% for the non-payers (123), according to S&P Dow Jones Indices. There are currently 505 stocks in the index. For the 12-month period ended January 2021, payers were up 8.66%, vs. a gain of 27.29% for the non-payers. The number of dividends increased in January totaled 33, down from 41 a year ago. No dividends were cut in January, as was the case a year ago. One dividend was suspended in January, up from zero suspensions a year ago.

Tuesday, February 2, 2021

Worldwide sales of semiconductors totaled \$39.2 billion in December 2020, down 2.0% from the prior month, but up 8.3% from a year ago, according to the Semiconductor Industry Association (SIA). In 2020, sales increased by 6.5% year-over-year to \$412.3 billion. The U.S.'s share of global chip production has declined from 37% in 1990 to 12% today, according to John Neuffer, SIA president and CEO. In January 2021, the Philadelphia Semiconductor Index posted a total return of 3.33%, compared to -0.92% for the S&P 500 Information Technology Index and -1.01% for the S&P 500 Index, according to Bloomberg.

Wednesday, February 3, 2021

Oil and natural gas producers have boosted the number of active oil and gas rigs in the U.S. over the past six months. Baker Hughes reported that 295 crude oil rigs were active on 1/29/21, up 123 rigs from the 172 in operation on 8/14/20 (low for 2020), according to Bloomberg. The active crude oil rig count stood at 675 on 1/31/20. There were 88 active natural gas rigs on 1/29/21, up 20 rigs from the 68 in operation on 7/24/20 (low for 2020). The active natural gas rig count stood at 112 on 1/31/20. The price of WTI crude oil closed at \$52.20 per barrel on 1/29/21, up from \$51.56 on 1/31/20. Natural gas closed at \$2.56 per million British thermal units on 1/29/21, up from \$1.84 on 1/31/20.

Thursday, February 4, 2021

Data from the Tax Foundation indicates that the top 1% of U.S. taxpayers paid 40.1% of all the federal income taxes collected in 2018, according to Fox Business. For comparative purposes, the top 1% accounted for 33.2% of all the federal income taxes collected in 2001. The top 1% paid the highest average tax rate in 2018 at 25.4%, more than seven times the rate paid by the bottom 50% of taxpayers.

Friday, February 5, 2021

Nielsen Media Research revealed that a 30-second television commercial played during the first Super Bowl in 1967 cost between \$37,500 and \$42,500 to air, according to Business Insider. It took until around 1994 for the average cost of a Super Bowl ad to top \$1 million. This Sunday, the average cost of a 30-second Super Bowl commercial will be \$5.6 million, up from \$5.25 million last year, according to Ad Age.

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