

# Before the Bell

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# Starting the Day

- U.S. futures are pointing to a higher open.
- European markets are trading mixed at midday.
- · Asian markets ended mixed overnight.
- S&P 500 advances for the fifth week in six.
- The economic slate is heavy this week.
- 10-year Treasury yield at 3.75%.
- West Texas Intermediate (WTI) oil is trading at \$71.28.
- Gold is trading at \$2,649.80.

# Market Perspectives

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**Weekly Market Perspectives:** The S&P 500 Index set a fresh new all-time high last week, following a somewhat unexpected "jumbo-sized" Federal Reserve rate cut that kept the soft-landing narrative alive and well. While technology stocks performed well during the week, other cyclical areas took the lead, as prospects for lower rates brightened the outlook for areas like Energy and Financials. Generally positive economic reports, including better-than-expected retail sales and weekly initial jobless claims, also helped boost investor confidence.

#### Last Week in Review:

- The S&P 500 rose +1.4%, logging its 39<sup>th</sup> all-time closing high of the year and its second consecutive weekly gain. The Index is higher in five of the last six weeks.
- The NASDAQ Composite rose +1.5%, logging its second consecutive week of gains. Over the last two weeks, the techheavy index is higher by +7.5%, its largest two-week gain since November 2023.
- The Russell 2000 Index led major averages, rising by +2.1%. Before a modest pullback on Friday, the small-cap stock barometer had traded higher for seven consecutive trading days.
- The Dow Jones Industrials Average rose +1.7%, crossing 42,000 for the first time and posting its 29th record close of the year.
- The Federal Reserve lowered its fed funds target range by an outsized 50 basis points to 4.75% 5.00%. Importantly, the committee noted an increased focus on supporting the *maximum employment* side of its dual mandate now that policymakers see better control on the *price stability* side. The Fed now projects lower rates over the coming quarters, stable growth/employment trends, and near-trend inflation by the end of 2025. In our view, the soft-landing scenario (i.e., normalizing inflation without materially increasing unemployment) is fully baked into Fed projections.
- With the big bounce in stocks last week, investor sentiment and equity fund flows also jumped higher. The latest *American Association of Individual Investors (AAII)* saw its bull-bear spread jump +15.6 percentage points to 24.4% in the week ending September 19<sup>th</sup>. That's the biggest weekly jump since November. In addition, the *BofA Flow Show* report showed that U.S. equity funds attracted nearly \$34 billion in the week ending September 18<sup>th</sup>, the largest inflow in nine weeks and the third-largest weekly haul of the year.
- Headline August retail sales came in slightly positive, beating expectations for a decline. Favorable weather trends and a solid back-to-school shopping season drove the better-than-expected results.
- New York and Philadelphia Federal Reserve manufacturing activity unexpectedly moved into expansion from contraction.
- Jobless claims posted their lowest weekly reading since May, and August housing starts/permits beat expectations.

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- U.S. Treasury yields were mostly weaker, with the 2-year/10-year spread ending 15 basis points in "positive" territory.
- Gold notched another new record high, West Texas Intermediate (WTI) rose, and the U.S. Dollar Index moved lower.

### The "soft-landing" scenario looks largely baked into stock prices. What now?

Heading into last week's Fed decision, some Fed watchers stated that an upcoming presidential election or concern about what message a 50-basis point rate cut would potentially signal about the state of the economy would prevent the committee from making such an outsized cut at the start of the easing cycle. At the end of the day, the Fed themselves were not very concerned about either of those factors. We believe it was a great reminder to the market of their independence.

Moving rates lower close to an election (which the Fed has done in the past) would likely draw some criticism whether they went 25 or 50 basis points last week. Further, if most of the Fed sees rates lower by 100 basis points at the end of the year anyway (which implies 50 basis points more in cuts by yearend), why not move faster to help keep the economy on track? Notably, the Fed manages policy to the economy and where they believe rates should be on their outlook for growth/inflation. In our view, their move last week sent a very clear message to the market and investors that the only priority the Fed has is to steer policy in a direction that best suits the current and future state of the economy. Doing anything else could inject doubt into their credibility and independence.

That said, expectations for further rate cuts over the next few quarters are well-entrenched into both market and Fed officials' expectations. Any incoming economic data that suggests the Fed could delay further cuts because of lingering inflation or have to move more aggressively due to a sudden deterioration in employment could cause stock volatility to rise. On a related note, with the S&P 500 ending last week above 5,700, the Index is well within striking distance of our year-end target of 5,750. As much as we'd like to brush off our hands, call mission accomplished, and head to the beach for the rest of the year, there's still an entire quarter left to go in 2024. The third quarter earnings season is approaching, as is the pending outcome of the U.S. election. Thus, the market and investors still have much to contend with as the year winds down. Did we mention that the U.S. government is facing yet another potential shutdown at the end of the month?

As we have noted previously, the economy is on firm ground, rates are now easing, and corporate profits are growing. Overall, that's a positive tailwind for asset prices. Notably, lower rates favor stocks when the economy isn't in a recession. *Goldman Sachs* recently put some data behind that statement. During the last five cutting cycles since 1984, where the U.S. economy did not quickly enter a recession, the S&P 500 on average returned +6.0% during the three months, +9.0% during the six months, and +17% during the next year following the first Fed rate cut. *Goldman* also noted that earnings drove most of the gains, with price-to-earnings multiples expanding in three of the five episodes. *FactSet* analyst S&P 500 earnings per share (EPS) estimates forecast profits rising by +3.8% y/y in Q3 and by +15.1% y/y in Q4. Full-year 2025 S&P 500 EPS is seen rising by an impressive +15.0% over 2024 levels, which implies a 20 P/E multiple based on current Index levels. That said, we believe much of the good news is now mostly priced into stocks.

Moving forward, stock prices will likely move based on how much <u>better</u> or <u>worse</u> results come in around already somewhat elevated expectations for economic/profit growth and easing rate policy. Uncertainties about the pace of growth heading into next year, as well as the fiscal policy path post-election, given some of the "extreme" fiscal proposals from both presidential candidates, may temper how much stocks can keep riding higher through yearend.

For now, we remain comfortable with our yearend S&P 500 targets, recognizing that stocks may drift higher or lower from current levels through yearend. Yet the S&P 500 is also unlikely to move enough away from our base (5,750) and favorable (5,900) targets to necessitate large changes in our target forecast that would inform a material shift in how investors should allocate their portfolios through yearend.

#### The Week Ahead:

The U.S. economic calendar is full this week, which could keep stocks volatile as investors continue to digest last week's aggressive Fed actions.

 Preliminary looks at September manufacturing and services activity as well as August PCE, personal income, consumption, and durable orders, should provide updated views on the current state of the economy. A final look at Q2 GDP is expected to hold at +3.0%.

	5	Stock Market	Recap					
		<b>Total Returns</b>	1	LTN	I PE	Yield %		
Benchmark	Weekly	MTD	YTD	Current	5-Year Median	Current	5-Year Median	
S&P 500 Index: 5,703	1.4%	1.1%	20.8%	26.6	22.7	1.2	1.5	
Dow Jones Industrial Average: 42,063	1.7%	1.3%	13.2%	24.0	20.3	1.7	2.0	
Russell 2000 Index: 5,537	2.1%	0.5%	11.0%	60.2	38.4	1.3	1.3	
NASDAQ Composite: 17,948	1.5%	1.4%	20.2%	39.7	37.1	0.7	0.8	
Best Performing Sector (weekly): Energy	3.8%	-2.7%	8.4%	13.0	11.0	3.3	3.9	
Worst Performing Sector (weekly): Consumer Staples	-1.2%	0.6%	18.4%	23.1	22.6	2.4	2.5	

Source: Factset. Data as of 09/20/2024

Bond/Commodity/C	urrency Rec	ар		YTD Total Return	ns by S&P 500 Sec	tor
Benchmark		Total Returns		Utilities		28.7%
Benchinark	Weekly	MTD	YTD	Health Care	14.9%	
Bloomberg U.S. Universal	-0.1%	1.6%	5.1%	Staples	18.4%	Defensive
West Texas Intermediate (WTI) Oil: \$71.91	3.3%	-3.5%	0.0%	Real Estate	13.5%	Cyclical
	3.376	-3.376	0.076	Materials	11.0%	.,
Spot Gold: \$2,622.24	1.7%	4.7%	27.1%	Info Tech		28.1%
U.S. Dollar Index: 100.72	-0.4%	-1.0%	-0.6%	Industrials	17.8%	
		Yield Chg	1	Financials	22.3	2%
Government Bond Yields	Weekly	MTD	YTD	Energy	8.4%	
	WEEKIY	IVIIU	יוו	Discretionary	12.3%	
2-year U.S. Treasury Yield: 3.60%	0 bps chg	-34 bps chg	-66 bps chg	Comm Services		26.5%
10-year U.S. Treasury Yield: 3.73%	7 bps chg	-19 bps chg	-15 bps chg	-15%	5% 25%	45%

Source: Factset. Data as of 09/20/2024. bps = basis points

Source: S&P Global, Factset. Data as of 09/20/2024

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### **U.S. Premarket Indicators / Overnight International Market Activity**

### **United States:**

Here is a quick news rundown to start your morning:

• **Premarket activity points to a higher open.** Stocks will have a lot of economic data to pour through this week, starting with preliminary looks at September S&P Global manufacturing and services PMI out this morning.

### **Europe:**

Fresh updates on German PMI and Ifo business confidence this week are likely to show that Europe's number one economy and Europe as a whole continue to slow. Notably, weakening manufacturing and services activity in Germany is expected to dampen sentiment in Europe further.

### **Asia-Pacific:**

Markets in Japan were closed on Monday for the fall equinox. With the Bank of Japan remaining sidelined last week, Governor Ueda indicated there is no rush to hike rates after the BOJ tightened rats in March and July. This week, preliminary September PMI reports for Japan, as well as department store sales and Tokyo CPI, are on the docket.

#### **WORLD CAPITAL MARKETS**

9/23/2024	As of: 8	30 AM E	T.								
Americas	% chg.	% YTD	Value	Europe (Intra-day)	% chg.	%YTD	Value	Asia/Pacific (Last Night)	% chg.	%YTD	Value
S&P 500	-0.2%	20.8%	5,702.6	DJSTOXX 50 (Europe)	0.1%	11.0%	4,875.9	Nikkei 225 (Japan)	1.5%	13.8%	37,723.9
Dow Jones	0.1%	13.2%	42,063.4	FTSE 100 (U.K.)	-0.1%	9.6%	8,225.6	Hang Seng (Hong Kong)	-0.1%	11.6%	18,247.1
NASDAQ Composite	-0.4%	20.2%	17,948.3	DAX Index (Germany)	0.4%	12.2%	18,797.8	Korea Kospi 100	0.3%	-1.0%	2,602.0
Russell 2000	-1.1%	11.0%	2,227.9	CAC 40 (France)	-0.3%	1.9%	7,474.5	Singapore STI	0.4%	17.8%	3,638.5
Brazil Bovespa	-1.5%	-2.3%	131,065	FTSE MIB (Italy)	-0.3%	10.9%	33,664.1	Shanghai Comp. (China)	0.4%	-7.6%	2,748.9
S&P/TSX Comp. (Canada)	0.0%	16.4%	23,867.4	IBEX 35 (Spain)	0.0%	20.2%	11,753.2	Bombay Sensex (India)	0.5%	18.9%	84,928.6
Russell 3000	-0.3%	19.5%	3,250.5					S&P/ASX 200 (Australia)	-0.7%	11.8%	8,153.0
Global	% chg.	% YTD	Value	Developed International	% chg.	%YTD	Value	Emerging International	% chg.	%YTD	Value
MSCI All-Country World Idx	0.1%	17.1%	837.9	MSCI EAFE	0.1%	11.3%	2,424.4	MSCI Emerging Mkts	0.3%	11.0%	1,109.5
				equity index data shown above							
S&P 500 Sectors	% chg.	% YTD	Value	Equity Income Indices	% chg.	% YTD	Value	Commodities			
Communication Services	0.5%	26.5%	309.0	JPM Alerian MLP Index	-0.2%	12.4%	285.8	Futures & Spot (Intra-day)	% chg.	% YTD	Value
Consumer Discretionary	0.0%	12.3%	1,582.2	FTSE NAREIT Comp. TR	-0.3%	13.7%	27,189.5	CRB Raw Industrials	0.1%	1.6%	552.1
Consumer Staples	0.4%	18.4%	886.2	DJ US Select Dividend	-0.1%	17.6%	3,531.5	NYMEX WTI Crude (p/bbl.)	0.3%	-0.6%	71.2
Energy	-0.3%	8.4%	676.5	DJ Global Select Dividend	-0.3%	12.4%	237.9	ICE Brent Crude (p/bbl.)	0.2%	-3.1%	74.7
Financials	-0.3%	22.1%	755.8	S&P Div. Aristocrats	-0.3%	12.3%	4,795.7	NYMEX Nat Gas (mmBtu)	1.4%	-1.8%	2.5
Health Care	-0.3%	14.9%	1,805.9					Spot Gold (troy oz.)	0.0%	27.1%	2,622.5
Industrials	-0.7%	17.8%	1,124.1					Spot Silver (troy oz.)	-1.7%	28.8%	30.7
Materials	-0.6%	11.0%	591.4	Bond Indices	% chg.	% YTD	Value	LME Copper (perton)	-0.4%	10.4%	9,346.5
Real Estate	-0.2%	13.5%	278.9	Barclays US Agg. Bond	-0.1%	4.7%	2,263.7	LME Aluminum (per ton)	-2.6%	5.0%	2,463.7
Technology	-0.5%	28.1%	4,329.4	Barclays HY Bond	0.0%	7.8%	2,674.5	CBOT Corn (cents p/bushel)	1.3%	-19.2%	407.0
Utilities	2.7%	28.7%	404.4					CBOT Wheat (cents p/bushel)	1.6%	-13.7%	577.5
Foreign Exchange (Intra-day)	% chg.	% YTD	Value		% chg.	% YTD	Value		% chg.	% YTD	Value
<b>Euro</b> (€/\$)	-0.4%	0.7%	1.11	Japanese Yen (\$/¥)	0.3%	-1.7%	143.43	Canadian Dollar (\$/C\$)	0.1%	-2.3%	1.36
British Pound (£/\$)	-0.2%	4.5%	1.33	Australian Dollar (A\$/\$)	0.2%	0.2%	0.68	Swiss Franc (\$/CHF)	0.0%	-1.0%	0.85

Data/Price Source: Bloomberg. Equity Index data is total return, inclusive of dividends, where applicable.

## **Ameriprise Global Asset Allocation Committee (GAAC)**

U.S. Equity Sector - 1	Tactical V	iews .							
	S&P 500 Index <u>Weight</u>	GAAC Tactical View	GAAC Tactical <u>Overlay</u>	GAAC Recommended <u>Weight</u>		S&P 500 Index <u>Weight</u>	GAAC Tactical View	GAAC Tactical <u>Overlay</u>	GAAC Recommended <u>Weight</u>
Consumer Staples	5.8%	Overweight	2.0%	7.8%	Industrials	8.1%	Equalweight	-	8.1%
Information Technology	32.5%	Equalweight	-	32.5%	Energy	3.6%	Equalweight	-	3.6%
Financials	12.3%	Equalweight	-	12.3%	Utilities	2.3%	Equalweight	-	2.3%
Health Care	11.7%	Equalweight	-	11.7%	Materials	2.2%	Equalweight	-	2.2%
<b>Communication Services</b>	9.4%	Equalweight	-	9.4%	Real Estate	2.1%	Equalweight	-	2.1%
As of: June 30, 2024					<b>Consumer Discretionary</b>	10.0%	Underweight	-2.0%	8.4%

Index weightings represent the respective market capitalization of each sector in the S&P 500 as of 6/30/2024. The GAAC Tactical Overlay, as well as Recommended Tactical Weights, is derived from the Ameriprise Global Asset Allocation Committee (GAAC). Views are expressed relative to the Index and are provided to represent investment conviction in each region. Tactical Allocations are designed to augment Index returns over a 6-12 month time horizon. Numbers may not add due to rounding.

Global Equity I	Regions - Tac	ctical Views							
	MSCI All-Country		GAAC	GAAC		MSCI All-Country	y	GAAC	GAAC
	World Index	GAAC	Tactical	Recommended		World Index	GAAC	Tactical	Recommended
	Weight	Tactical View	<u>Overlay</u>	<u>Weight</u>		<u>Weight</u>	Tactical View	<u>Overlay</u>	<u>Weight</u>
<b>United States</b>	63.6%	Overweight	2.1%	65.7%	Latin America	0.8%	Equalweight	-	0.8%
Europe ex U.K.	12.8%	Overweight	2.0%	14.8%	Asia-Pacific ex Japan	10.6%	Underweight	-3.0%	7.6%
Japan	<b>5.1</b> %	Overweight	1.0%	6.1%	Canada	2.7%	Underweight	-1.0%	1.7%
<b>United Kingdom</b>	3.3%	Equalweight	-	3.3%	Middle East / Africa	1.1%	Underweight	<b>-1.1</b> %	0.0%
as of: June 30, 2024									

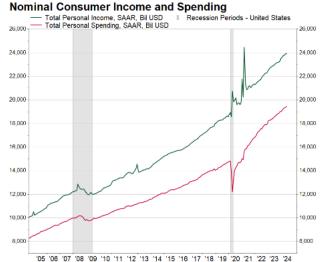
Index weightings are based on the regional market capitalizations of the MSCI All-Country World Index as of 06/30/2024. The GAAC Tactical Overlay, as well as the Recommended Tactical Weights, are derived from the Ameriprise Global Asset Allocation Committee (GAAC). Views are expressed relative to the Index and are provided to represent investment conviction in each region. Tactical Allocations are designed to augment Index returns over a 6-12 month time horizon. Numbers may not add due to rounding.

# The Week Ahead:

### Russell T. Price, CFA, Chief Economist

Unless otherwise noted, all economic estimates are sourced from Bloomberg and all corporate earnings measures are sourced from FactSet.

- <u>The Economic Calendar:</u> Personal income and spending likely carry the most weight in this week's economic calendar, but investors will also see Consumer Confidence, New Home sales, New Orders for Durable Goods, and the Commerce Department's third estimate of Q2 real GDP.
- August New Home Sales: After jumping nearly 11% month-over-month (m/m) in July, new home sales are expected to have moderated in August. Forecasters, as surveyed by Bloomberg, expect sales to be down about 7% m/m. Although down for the month, the predicted sales rate of 693,000 units (annualized) would represent a year-over-year increase of about 6%. Much like the existing home market, potential buyers may have waited to sign their purchase agreements until after the Fed's decision on interest rates. We note, however, that the new home market has been less affected by the sharply higher mortgage rates of the last few years, as many builders have offered mortgage rate buydowns or other incentives to keep sales running more smoothly.
- New Orders for Durable Goods: New orders for durable goods are expected to have dropped notably last month, mostly
  due to a sharp surge in July. July new orders were nearly 10% higher (relative to June levels) based on a sharp increase
  in civilian aircraft orders. A normalization of such orders in August has forecasters looking for an approximate 3% m/m
  decline. Such a decline would leave durable goods demand about flat with year ago levels.
- August Personal Income and Spending: Personal income is forecast to have grown by 0.4% in August a tenth better than July's +0.3%. If so, it would put income as up about 4.5% versus year-ago levels. To put this into perspective, personal income grew at an average rate of 4.4% from 2015 through 2019.
- <u>Personal Spending</u>, meanwhile, is forecast to have grown by 0.3% in the month (we believe the rate could be modestly higher and are for foresting a rate of +0.4%).
- Sales related to about a third of spending spending on hard goods via the retail sales report - were already reported to have been a modest 0.1% higher m/m. The weakness was primarily due to lower gasoline prices and a weaker month for automobile sales. Overall, if the m/m rate proves correct, consumer spending will have been about 4.8% higher relative to August 2023. The chart at right is sourced from FactSet.



The calendar below is sourced from American Enterprise Investment Services Inc.

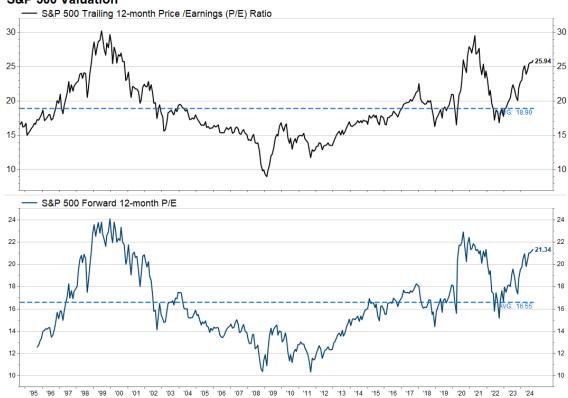
September 23	24	25	26	27
Markit Prelim. Mfg. Index	Richmond Fed Index	New Home Sales	Initial Jobless Claims	Personal Income
Manufacturing PMI - Japan	Consumer Confidence	Retail Sales - Japan	Pending Home Sales	Personal Spending
Manufacturing PMI - Eurozone	S&P /CaseShiller Home \$\$\$		Durable Goods Orders	Advance Trade - Goods
	Consumer Sentiment - S. Korea		Q2 Real GDP - 3rd	UofM Consumer Sentiment
			Inflation - Japan	Economic Sentiment - Eurozone
			Trade - Japan	Consumer Sentiment - Eurozone

### Where Market Fundamentals Stand Heading into The Week:

### S&P 500 Trailing and Forward P/E valuations: Source: FactSet

<u>Please note:</u> Although we try to maintain consistency as much as possible, Price to Earnings (P/E) ratios may differ from one source to another. Most notably, P/E numbers can often show their most notable differences during an earnings release season as some sources may still use the last full 'actual' earnings number while others use earnings per share that are updated via a combination of actual and estimated earnings per share. The calculation of earnings (operating earnings versus 'as reported' or GAAP) also often differ modestly from one data source to another due to the proprietary use of calculation methodologies.

### S&P 500 Valuation



### Consensus Earnings Estimates: Source: FactSet

<u>Please note:</u> The consensus earnings estimates shown below should viewed cautiously. The business environment remains very dynamic, thus leaving current estimates with greater uncertainty than usual, in our view. The table below is sourced from American Enterprise Investment Management Inc and is based on data from FactSet.

S&P 500 Earnings Estimates	2020	2021	2022		20	23			20	24			20	25		2026
9/23/2024	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Est.	Est.	Est.	Est.	Est.	Est.	Est.
				Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	FY
Quarterly \$\$ amount change over last week				\$53.34	\$54.52	\$58.91	\$55.56	\$56.45	\$60.55	<b>\$61.11</b> -\$0.17	<b>\$63.94</b> -\$0.25		<b>\$68.67</b> -\$0.22	<b>\$71.17</b> -\$0.32	<b>\$73.35</b> -\$0.31	
yr/yr qtr/qtr				<b>-1.4%</b> -0.2%	<b>-3.8%</b> 2.2%	<b>5.8%</b> 8.1%	3.9% -5.7%	<b>5.8%</b> 1.6%	<b>11.1%</b> 7.3%		<b>15.1%</b> 4.6%	14.4%	* -	<b>16.5%</b> 3.6%	<b>14.7%</b> 3.1%	
Trailing 4 quarters \$\$ yr/yr % change	\$143.08 -13.0%	\$211.09 47.5%	•		\$216.99	\$220.24	\$222.33 0.0%		\$231.47	\$233.67	\$242.05 8.9%	\$250.20	\$258.32	\$268.38	\$277.79 14.8%	• • • • • •
<u>Implied P/E based on</u> <u>a S&amp;P 500 level of:</u> <b>5703</b>										24.4	23.6	22.8	22.1	21.2	20.5	18.2

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# Economic News and Views:

Russell T. Price, CFA - Chief Economist

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All times Eastern. Consensus estimates via Bloomberg

**None Scheduled** 

Ameriprise Econon	Ameriprise Economic Projections												
Forecast:	Full-year Quarterly												
	Actual	Actual	Est.	Est.	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Est.	Est.	Est.		
	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>	Q3-2023	Q4-2023	Q1-2024	Q2-2024	Q3-2024	Q4-2024	Q1-2025		
Real GDP (annualized)	1.9%	2.5%	2.6%	1.7%	4.9%	3.4%	1.4%	3.0%	2.4%	1.5%	1.8%		
Unemployment Rate	3.6%	3.7%	4.4%	4.2%	3.8%	3.7%	3.8%	4.1%	4.3%	4.4%	4.4%		
CPI (YoY)	8.0%	3.4%	2.4%	2.0%	3.7%	3.4%	3.5%	3.0%	2.5%	2.4%	2.1%		
Core PCE (YoY)	5.2%	2.9%	2.4%	2.0%	3.6%	2.9%	2.8%	2.6%	2.5%	2.3%	2.2%		

Sources: Historical data via FactSet. Estimates (Est.) via American Enterprise Investment Services Inc.

PCE: Personal Consumption Expenditures Price Index. Core excludes food and energy.

All estimates other than GDP are period ending.

# Ameriprise Global Asset Allocation Committee Targets and Views

Targets			
	Favorable	Base-Case	Adverse
2024 Year-end Targets:	Scenario	Scenario	Scenario
S&P 500 Index:	5,900	5,750	5,000
10-Year U.S. Treasury Yield:	4.00%	3.75%	3.00%
Fed Funds Target Range:	4.50% to 4.75%	4.75% to 5.00%	4.25% to 4.50%

Estimates (Est.) via American Enterprise Investment Services Inc.

Please see latest Quarterly Capital Market Digest for more information.

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# Ameriprise Global Asset Allocation Committee Tactical Asset Class Views

As of 6/30/24

	Overweight	Equalweight	Underweight
	<ul> <li>U.S. Large Cap Growth</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>U.S. Large Cap Value</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Emerging Foreign Equity</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Developed Foreign Equity</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>U.S. Mid Cap Value</li> </ul>	
Equity		<ul> <li>U.S. Mid Cap Growth</li> </ul>	
Equity		<ul> <li>U.S. Small Cap Value</li> </ul>	
		U.S. Small Cap Growth	
	Consumer Staples	Communication Services	Consumer Discretionary
	· ·	Energy	·
		Financials	
		Health Care	
S&P 500 Sectors		<ul> <li>Industrials</li> </ul>	
		<ul> <li>Information Technology</li> </ul>	
		<ul> <li>Materials</li> </ul>	
		Real Estate	
		<ul> <li>Utilities</li> </ul>	
	Europe ex U.K.	Latin America	Asia-Pacific ex Japan
Global Equity	Japan	<ul> <li>United Kingdom</li> </ul>	Canada
Regions	United States		Middle East / Africa
e 11	U.S. Government	Developed Foreign Bond	Emerging Foreign Bond
Fixed Income	U.S. Inv. Grd Corporate		High Yield Bond
Alternatives		Real Assets	Alternative Strategies
Cash		Cash	

Note: Our Tactical Allocations are designed to augment a Strategic portfolio over a 6-12-month time horizon. Asset Allocation and diversification do not ensure or guarantee better performance and do not eliminate the risk of investment losses. Investors should note that rising interest rates could have a detrimental effect on bond prices. Please consult with your financial advisor. Cash generally refers to assets, securities and/or products low in risk and highly liquid. For asset allocation purposes, instruments can include Treasury bills, certificates of deposit, money market funds and high quality bonds whose maturities are less than 3 months. Outside of asset allocation purposes, cash investments can also include illiquid cash held in a mutual fund or pledged as collateral for derivatives. You can only access this cash by redeeming the fund using it, subject to fees or time constraints associated with redemptions.

As of June 30, 2024	Rolling Returns								
Major Market Indices	Q2'24	1-year	3-years	5-years					
Russell 3000 <sup>®</sup> Index (U.S. Equity)	3.22%	23.13%	8.05%	14.14%					
MSCI ACWI Ex USA Index – net (Foreign Equity)	0.96%	11.62%	0.46%	5.55%					
Bloomberg U.S. Universal Bond Index (Fixed Income)	0.19%	3.47%	-2.68%	0.11%					
Wilshire Liquid Alternative Index (Alternatives)	0.49%	7.30%	1.37%	2.75%					
FTSE Three-Month Treasury Bill Index (Cash)	1.37%	5.64%	3.17%	2.22%					

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