



JULY 2023 – MARKET REVIEW

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AssetGrade Market Summary – July 2023 Review

Markets Improving...But Why is Consumer Still Gloomy?

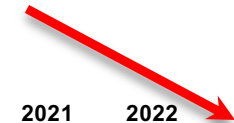
- Investors continue to enjoy gains across the equity and fixed income markets. Large Cap Equities, as measured **by the S&P 500 Index returned 16.9% in the first half of 2023**. The S&P 500 Index is a market cap weighted index. The robust return was fueled by overall multiple expansion particularly among the “Magnificent Seven,”: Apple, Microsoft, Alphabet, Amazon, Nvidia, Tesla, and Meta.
- After years of extremely low interest rates, investors with cash on the sidelines are being rewarded. **Interest rates on US Treasuries, with maturities ranging from 1 month to 10 years are the highest in 15 years.**
- **International equities remain favorably valued relative to their US counterparts** even as the global economy has gained steam, due to an increase in travel and leisure overseas. After reaching a 20 year high in September, the US Dollar has fallen 10% through June. Historically, a weak dollar has been associated with strong international equity performance due to currency translation.
- The US Consumer is an important component to the US economy representing 68% of Gross Domestic Product (GDP). If consumer sentiment remains low (relative to historical standards), we may see a slow down in the economy. **The potential recession has been one of the most forecasted recessions in history and may be avoided because of the unpredictable nature of the post-pandemic economy.**
- **The unemployment rate is hovering near 50 year low** due to low labor force participation and an aging American population. Labor force participation may edge up as people spend their savings/excess cash and need to pay for their renewed enthusiasm for travel and new experiences.
- Staying diversified and taking a long-term approach matters. If you have a financial plan that appropriately considers your goals and time horizon, do not overreact to market forces. If your circumstances or goals do change, call your advisor to **stay invested for your future success!**

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Asset Class Returns

Year to Date through 6/30/23, only Commodities posted a negative return. Diversified portfolios rebounded nicely from their negative return in 2022.



	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	YTD	2008 - 2022	
																	Ann.	Vol.
Fixed Income	5.2%	EM Equity	REITs	REITs	REITs	Small Cap	REITs	REITs	Small Cap	EM Equity	Cash	Large Cap	Small Cap	REITs	Comdty.	Large Cap	Large Cap	REITs
	5.2%	79.0%	27.9%	8.3%	19.7%	38.8%	28.0%	2.8%	21.3%	37.8%	1.8%	31.5%	20.0%	41.3%	16.1%	16.9%	8.8%	23.4%
Cash	1.8%	High Yield	Small Cap	Fixed Income	High Yield	Large Cap	Large Cap	Large Cap	High Yield	DM Equity	Fixed Income	REITs	EM Equity	Large Cap	Cash	DM Equity	Small Cap	Small Cap
	1.8%	59.4%	26.9%	7.8%	19.6%	32.4%	13.7%	1.4%	14.3%	25.6%	0.0%	28.7%	18.7%	28.7%	1.5%	12.1%	7.2%	23.2%
Asset Alloc.	-25.4%	DM Equity	EM Equity	High Yield	EM Equity	DM Equity	Fixed Income	Fixed Income	Large Cap	Large Cap	REITs	Small Cap	Large Cap	Comdty.	High Yield	Small Cap	REITs	EM Equity
	-25.4%	32.5%	19.2%	3.1%	18.6%	23.3%	6.0%	0.5%	12.0%	21.8%	-4.0%	25.5%	18.4%	27.1%	-12.7%	8.1%	6.6%	23.0%
High Yield	-26.9%	REITs	Comdty.	Large Cap	DM Equity	Asset Alloc.	Asset Alloc.	Cash	Comdty.	Small Cap	High Yield	DM Equity	Asset Alloc.	Small Cap	Fixed Income	Asset Alloc.	Asset Alloc.	Comdty.
	-26.9%	28.0%	16.8%	2.1%	17.9%	14.9%	5.2%	0.0%	11.8%	14.6%	-4.1%	22.7%	10.6%	14.8%	-13.0%	7.8%	6.1%	20.2%
Small Cap	-33.8%	Small Cap	Large Cap	Cash	Small Cap	High Yield	Small Cap	DM Equity	EM Equity	Asset Alloc.	Large Cap	Asset Alloc.	DM Equity	Asset Alloc.	Asset Alloc.	High Yield	High Yield	DM Equity
	-33.8%	27.2%	15.1%	0.1%	16.3%	7.3%	4.9%	-0.4%	11.6%	14.6%	-4.4%	19.5%	8.3%	13.5%	-13.9%	5.2%	5.4%	20.0%
Comdty.	-35.6%	Large Cap	High Yield	Asset Alloc.	Large Cap	REITs	Cash	Asset Alloc.	REITs	High Yield	Asset Alloc.	EM Equity	Fixed Income	DM Equity	DM Equity	EM Equity	Fixed Income	Large Cap
	-35.6%	26.5%	14.8%	-0.7%	16.0%	2.9%	0.0%	-2.0%	8.6%	10.4%	-5.8%	18.9%	7.5%	11.8%	-14.0%	5.1%	2.7%	17.7%
Large Cap	-37.0%	Asset Alloc.	Asset Alloc.	Small Cap	Asset Alloc.	Cash	High Yield	High Yield	Asset Alloc.	REITs	Small Cap	High Yield	High Yield	High Yield	Large Cap	REITs	DM Equity	High Yield
	-37.0%	25.0%	13.3%	-4.2%	12.2%	0.0%	0.0%	-2.7%	8.3%	8.7%	-11.0%	12.6%	7.0%	1.0%	-18.1%	3.0%	2.3%	13.0%
REITs	-37.7%	Comdty.	DM Equity	DM Equity	Fixed Income	Fixed Income	EM Equity	Small Cap	Fixed Income	Fixed Income	Comdty.	Fixed Income	Cash	Cash	EM Equity	Cash	EM Equity	Asset Alloc.
	-37.7%	18.9%	8.2%	-11.7%	4.2%	-2.0%	-1.8%	-4.4%	2.6%	3.5%	-11.2%	8.7%	0.5%	0.0%	-19.7%	2.3%	1.0%	12.4%
DM Equity	-43.1%	Fixed Income	Fixed Income	Comdty.	Cash	EM Equity	DM Equity	EM Equity	DM Equity	Comdty.	DM Equity	Comdty.	Comdty.	Fixed Income	Small Cap	Fixed Income	Cash	Fixed Income
	-43.1%	5.9%	6.5%	-13.3%	0.1%	-2.3%	-4.5%	-14.6%	1.5%	1.7%	-13.4%	7.7%	-3.1%	-1.5%	-20.4%	2.1%	0.6%	4.2%
EM Equity	-53.2%	Cash	Cash	EM Equity	Comdty.	Comdty.	Comdty.	Comdty.	Cash	Cash	EM Equity	Cash	REITs	EM Equity	REITs	Comdty.	Comdty.	Cash
	-53.2%	0.1%	0.1%	-18.2%	-1.1%	-9.5%	-17.0%	-24.7%	0.3%	0.8%	-14.2%	2.2%	-5.1%	-2.2%	-24.9%	-7.8%	-2.6%	0.4%

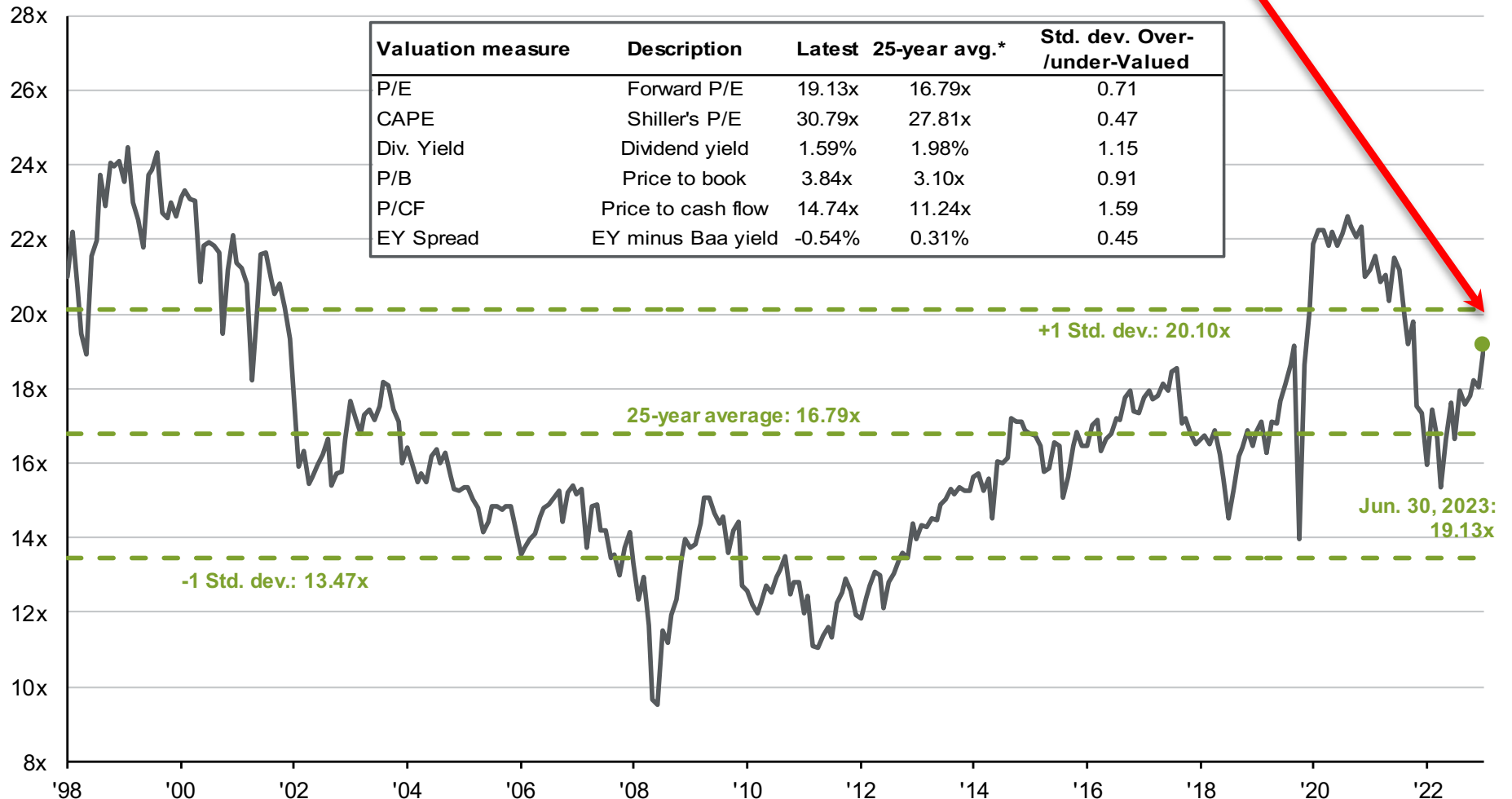
Source: Bloomberg, FactSet, MSCI, NAREIT, Russell, Standard & Poor's, J.P. Morgan Asset Management.
 Large cap: S&P 500, Small cap: Russell 2000, EM Equity: MSCI EME, DM Equity: MSCI EAFE, Comdty: Bloomberg Commodity Index, High Yield: Bloomberg Global HY Index, Fixed Income: Bloomberg US Aggregate, REITs: NAREIT Equity REIT Index, Cash: Bloomberg 1-3m Treasury. The "Asset Allocation" portfolio assumes the following weights: 25% in the S&P 500, 10% in the Russell 2000, 15% in the MSCI EAFE, 5% in the MSCI EME, 25% in the Bloomberg US Aggregate, 5% in the Bloomberg 1-3m Treasury, 5% in the Bloomberg Global High Yield Index, 5% in the Bloomberg Commodity Index and 5% in the NAREIT Equity REIT Index. Balanced portfolio assumes annual rebalancing. Annualized (Ann.) return and volatility (Vol.) represents period from 12/31/2007 to 12/31/2022. Please see disclosure page at end for index definitions. All data represents total return for stated period. The "Asset Allocation" portfolio is for illustrative purposes only. Past performance is not indicative of future returns.
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S&P 500 valuation measures

While markets began recovering from last years lows, current valuations still look attractive relative to 2021

S&P 500 Index: Forward P/E ratio



Source: FactSet, FRB, Refinitiv Datastream, Robert Shiller, Standard & Poor's, Thomson Reuters, J.P. Morgan Asset Management.

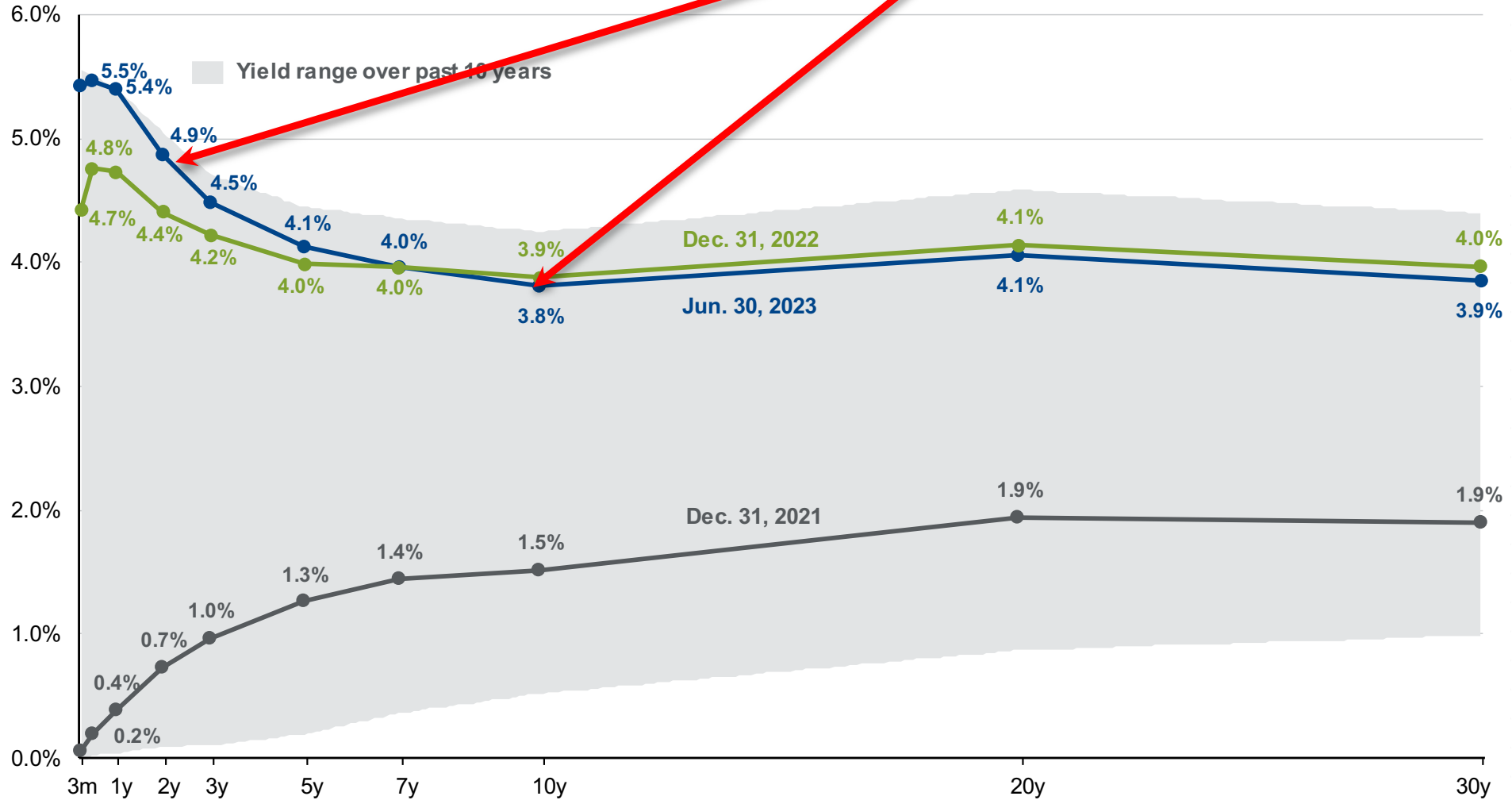
Price-to-earnings is price divided by consensus analyst estimates of earnings per share for the next 12 months as provided by IBES since June 1998 and by FactSet since January 2022. Current next 12-months consensus earnings estimates are \$233. Average P/E and standard deviations are calculated using 25 years of history. Shiller's P/E uses trailing 10-years of inflation-adjusted earnings as reported by companies. Dividend yield is calculated as the next 12-months consensus dividend divided by most recent price. Price-to-book ratio is the price divided by book value per share. Price-to-cash flow is price divided by NTM cash flow. EY minus Baa yield is the forward earnings yield (consensus analyst estimates of EPS over the next 12 months divided by price) minus the Moody's Baa seasoned corporate bond yield. Std. dev. over-/under-valued is calculated using the average and standard deviation over 25 years for each measure. *P/CF is a 20-year average due to cash flow availability. *Guide to the Markets – U.S.* Data are as of June 30, 2023.

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Yield curve

Shorter term Treasury rates have moved higher. Resulting in a greater inverted yield curve, as measured by the difference between the 2 year and 10 year Treasury bond. The 2 to 10 year spreads went from 0.5% to 1.1%

U.S. Treasury yield curve



Source: FactSet, Federal Reserve, J.P. Morgan Asset Management.
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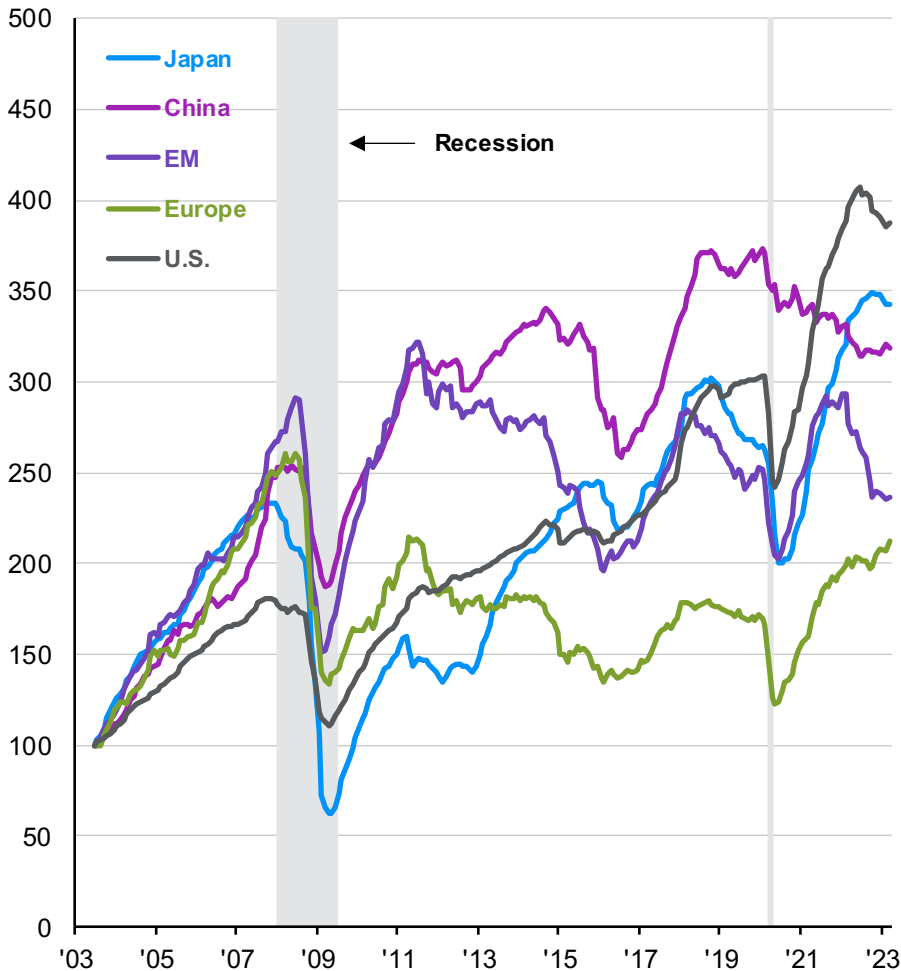
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International Equity Earnings and Valuations

Across the pond, international valuations are more favorable than US. In 2023, the global economy gained speed, due to falling energy prices and an uptick in travel and leisure spending.

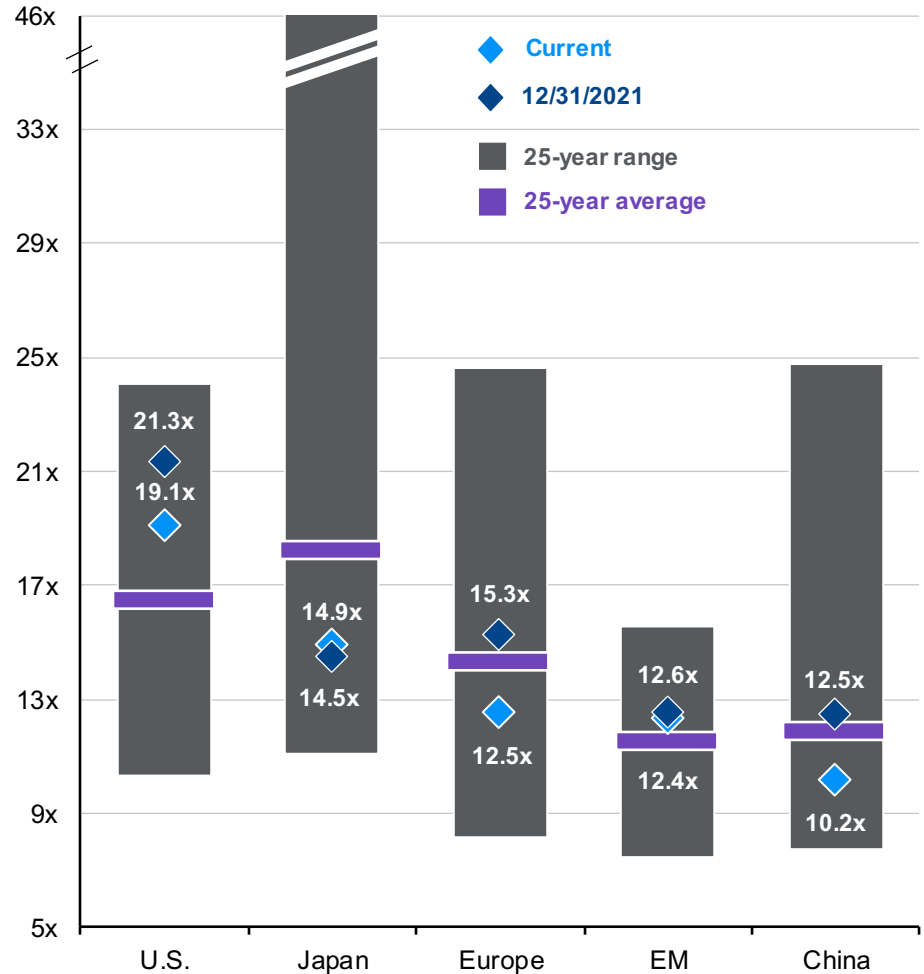
Global earnings estimates

Jun. 2003 = 100, next 12 months consensus estimates, U.S. dollars



Global valuations

Current and 25-year next 12 months price-to-earnings ratio



Source: FactSet, MSCI, Standard & Poor's, Thomson Reuters, J.P. Morgan Asset Management.

Next 12 months consensus estimates are based on pro-forma earnings and are in U.S. dollars. MSCI Europe includes the eurozone as well as countries not in the currency bloc, such as Norway, Sweden, Switzerland and the UK (which collectively make up 44% of the overall index). The purple lines for EM and China show 20-year averages due to a lack of available data. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of current and future results.

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Currency and international equity returns

The US Dollar reached a 20 year high in September, but now has fallen 10% through June. A lower US Dollar has historically been followed by a period of outperformance by foreign investments.

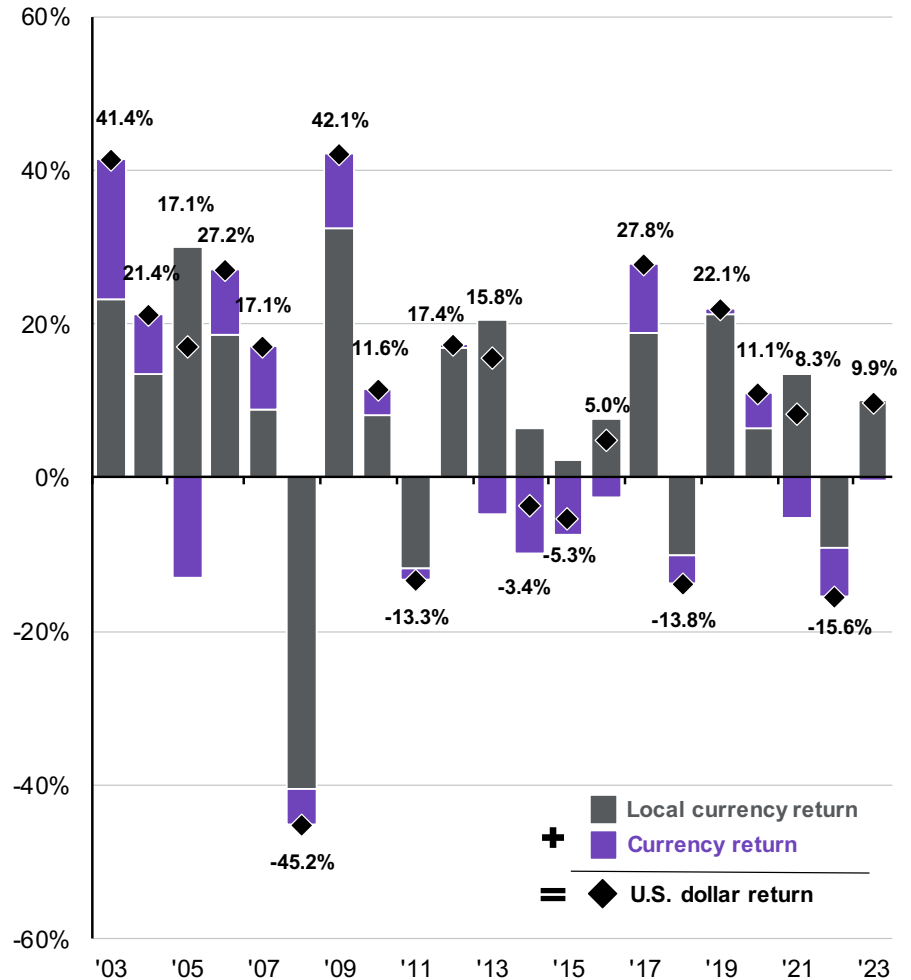
U.S. dollar and relative international equity returns

Real broad effective exchange rate, MSCI World ex-U.S. vs. S&P 500*



Currency impact on international returns

MSCI All Country World ex-U.S. Index, total return



Source: MSCI, J.P. Morgan Asset Management; (Left) J.P. Morgan Global Economic Research.

*U.S. dollar is the J.P. Morgan Global Economic Research real broad effective exchange rate (CPI) indexed to 100 in 1974. Relative international equity returns are cumulative, total returns in U.S. dollars and are calculated as MSCI World ex.-U.S. minus S&P 500 for each period of U.S. dollar peak/trough. **Data since Oct. 2022 represents the relative outperformance to the latest month end. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of current and future results.

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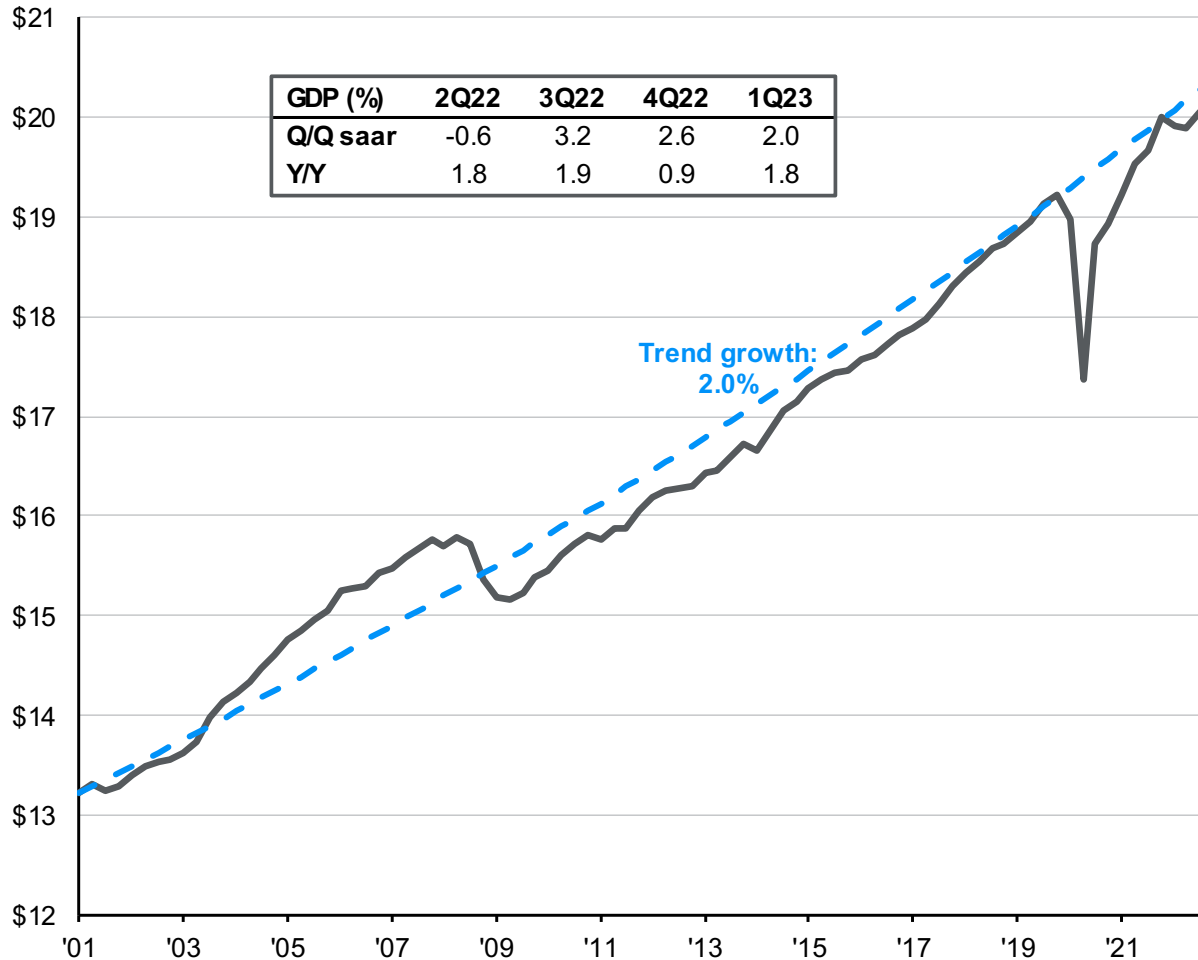
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Economic Growth and the Composition of GDP

Consumers are important to economic growth, as they represent over 68% of GDP.

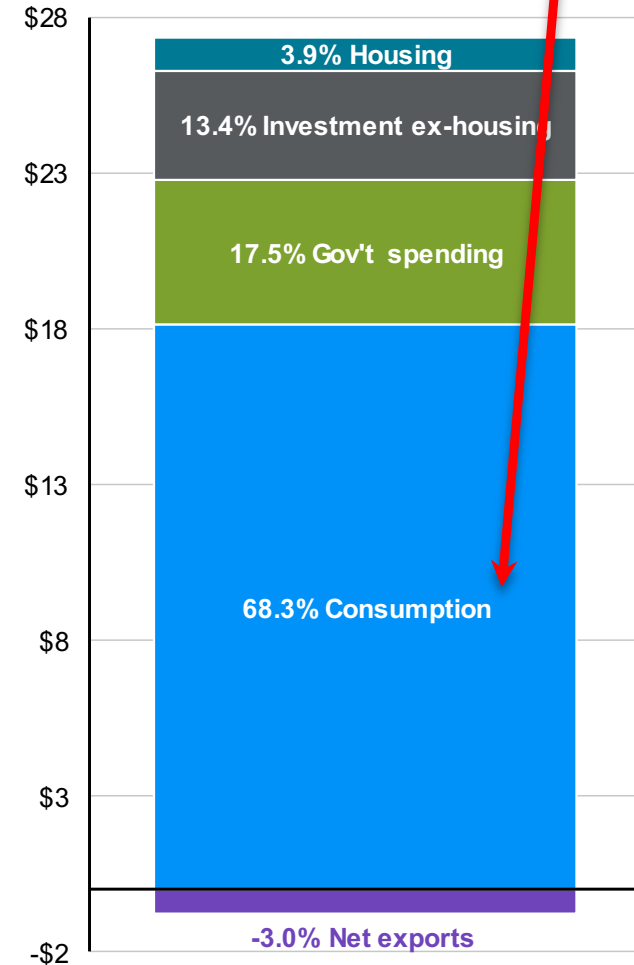
Real GDP

Trillions of chained (2012) dollars, seasonally adjusted at annual rates



Components of GDP

1Q23 nominal GDP, USD trillions



Source: BEA, FactSet, J.P. Morgan Asset Management. Values may not sum to 100% due to rounding. Trend growth is measured as the average annual growth rate from business cycle peak 1Q01 to business cycle peak 4Q19.

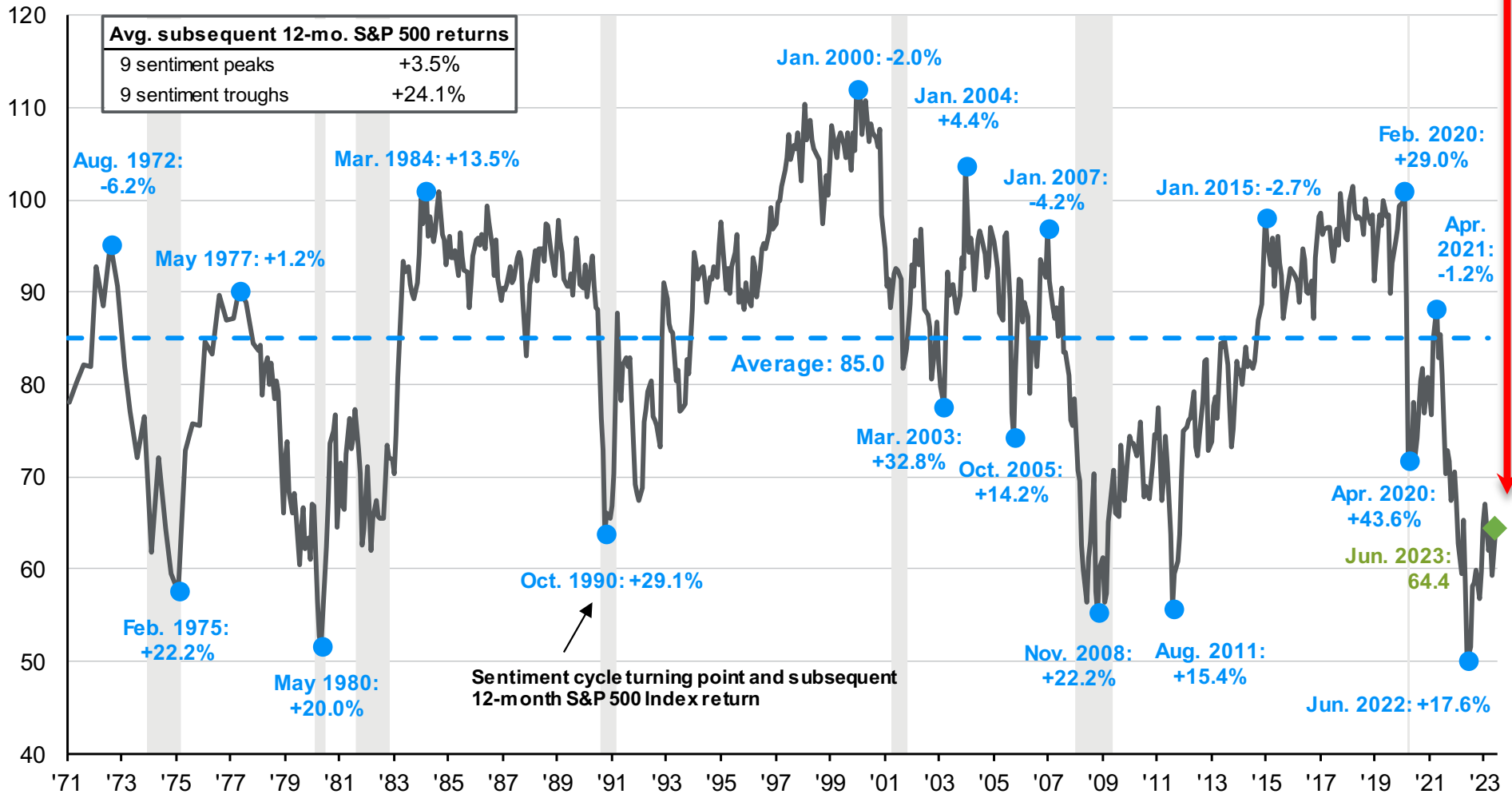
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Consumer Confidence and the Stock Market

Consumer sentiment still remains low even though the economic numbers are better than average.

Consumer Sentiment Index and subsequent 12-month S&P 500 returns



Source: FactSet, Standard & Poor's, University of Michigan, J.P. Morgan Asset Management.

Peak is defined as the highest index value before a series of lower lows, while a trough is defined as the lowest index value before a series of higher highs.

Subsequent 12-month S&P 500 returns are price returns only starting from the end of the month and excluding dividends. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of current and future results.

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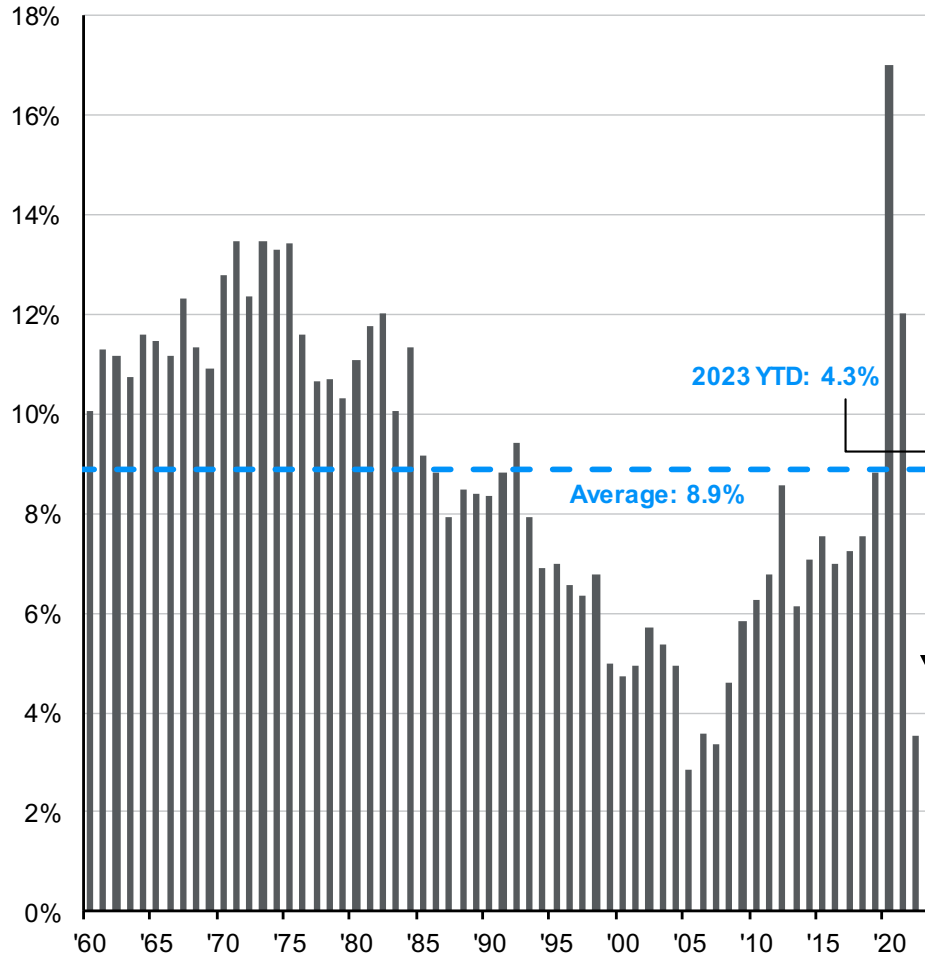
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Consumer Saving and Borrowing

Personal savings rate rose in 2020 due to extra checks from the government, savings rate is now below average as people try and maintain standard of living without stimulus checks

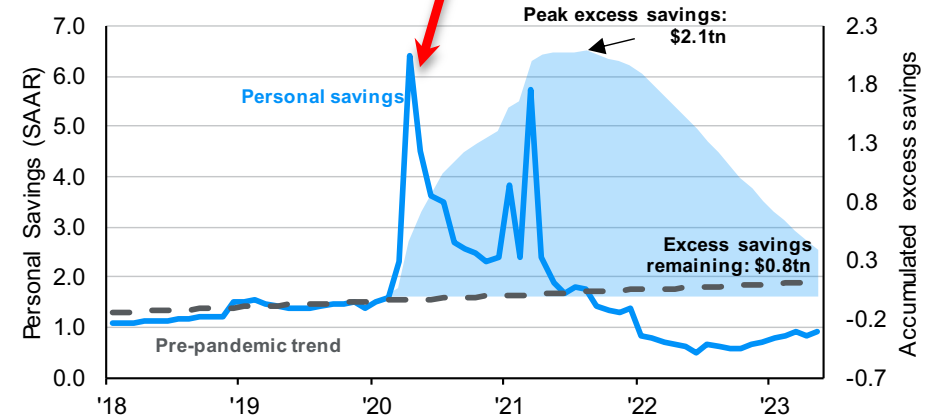
Personal saving rate

Personal savings as a % of disposable personal income, annual



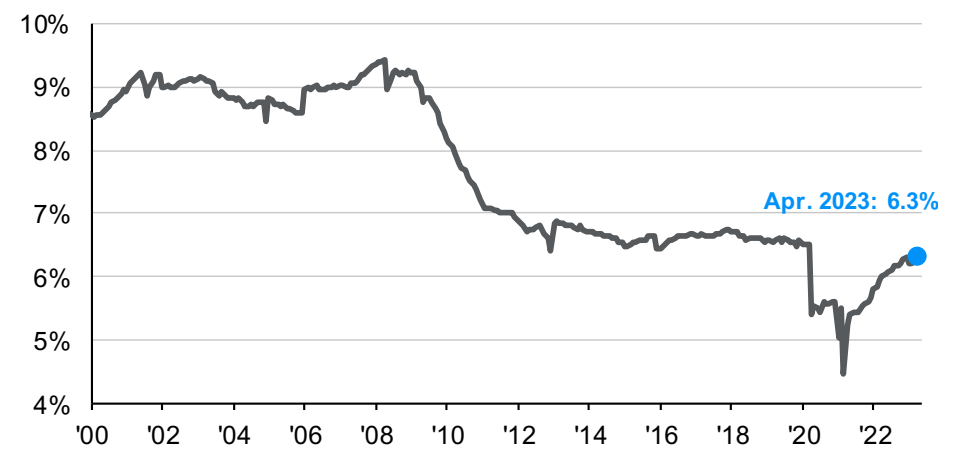
Household excess savings

Trillions of USD



Revolving consumer credit outstanding

% of disposable income, SAAR



Source: BEA, Federal Reserve, J.P. Morgan Asset Management. From March 2020 to August 2021, consumers amassed a peak \$2.1 trillion in excess savings relative to the pre-pandemic trend. Since August 2021, consumers have drawn down on those excess savings, with the remaining reflected in the chart annotation.

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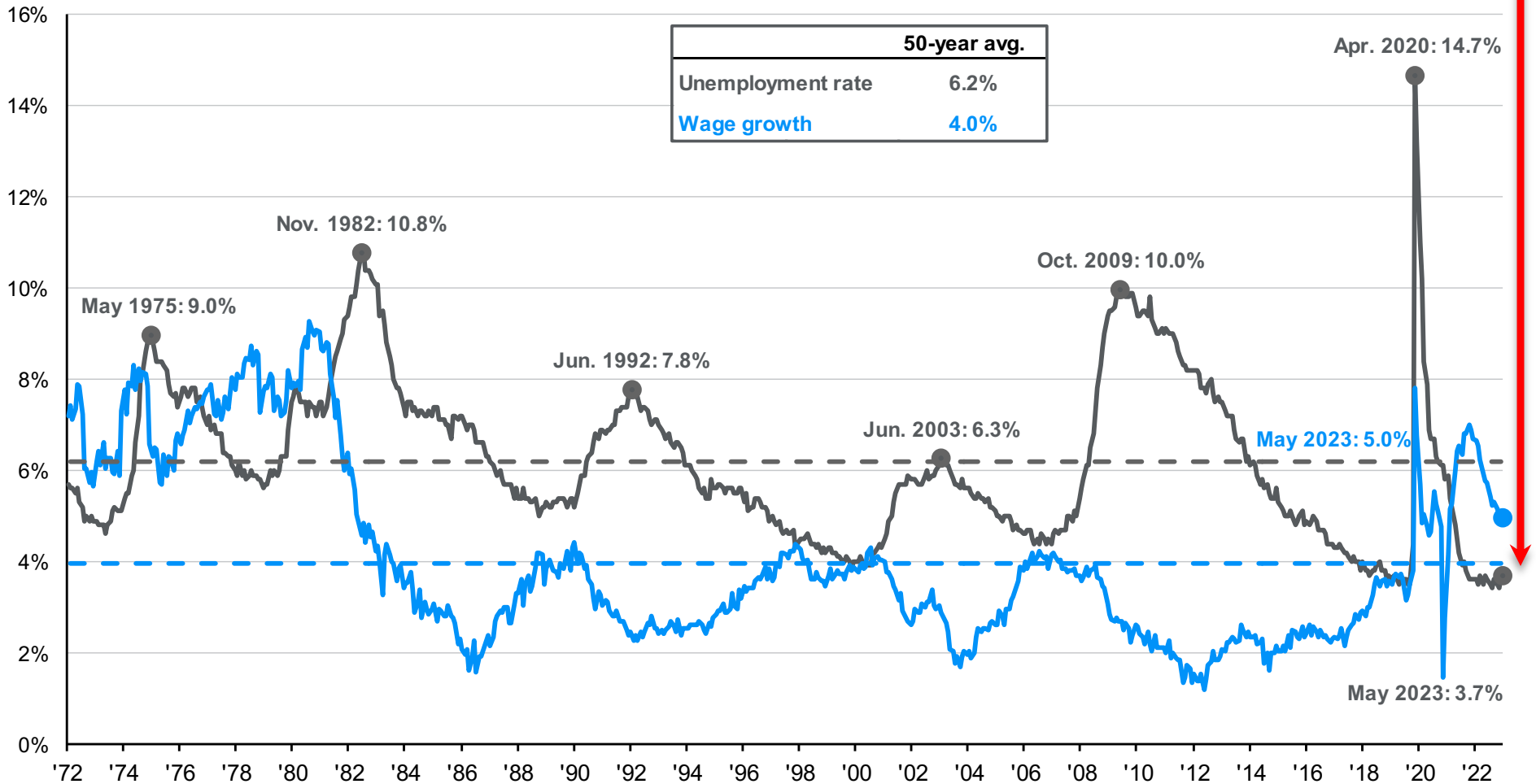
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Unemployment and Wages

Unemployment rate hovers near 50 year low, due to smaller labor force participation and baby-boomers facing retirement

Civilian unemployment rate and year-over-year wage growth

Private production and non-supervisory workers, seasonally adjusted, percent



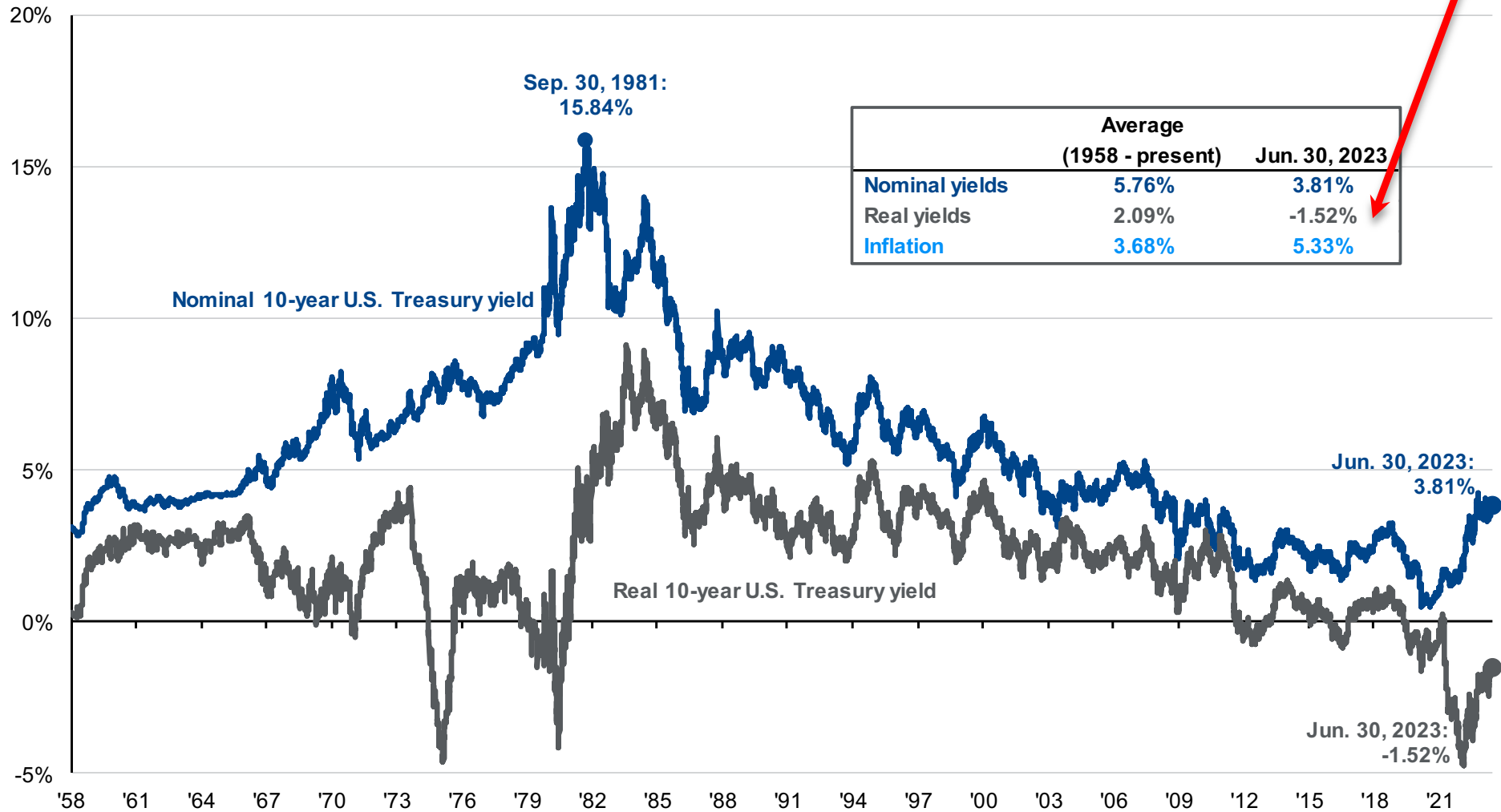
Source: BLS, FactSet, J.P. Morgan Asset Management. Private production and non-supervisory jobs represent just over 80% of total private nonfarm jobs. Guide to the Markets – U.S. Data are as of June 30, 2023.

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Interest Rates and Inflation

Although yields have increased and inflation has cooled, real yields (returns that an investor earns from interest payments after inflation) are still negative.

Nominal and real U.S. 10-year Treasury yields



Source: BLS, FactSet, Federal Reserve, J.P. Morgan Asset Management.

Real 10-year Treasury yields are calculated as the daily Treasury yield less year-over-year core CPI inflation for that month. For the current month, we use the prior month's core CPI figures until the latest data is available.

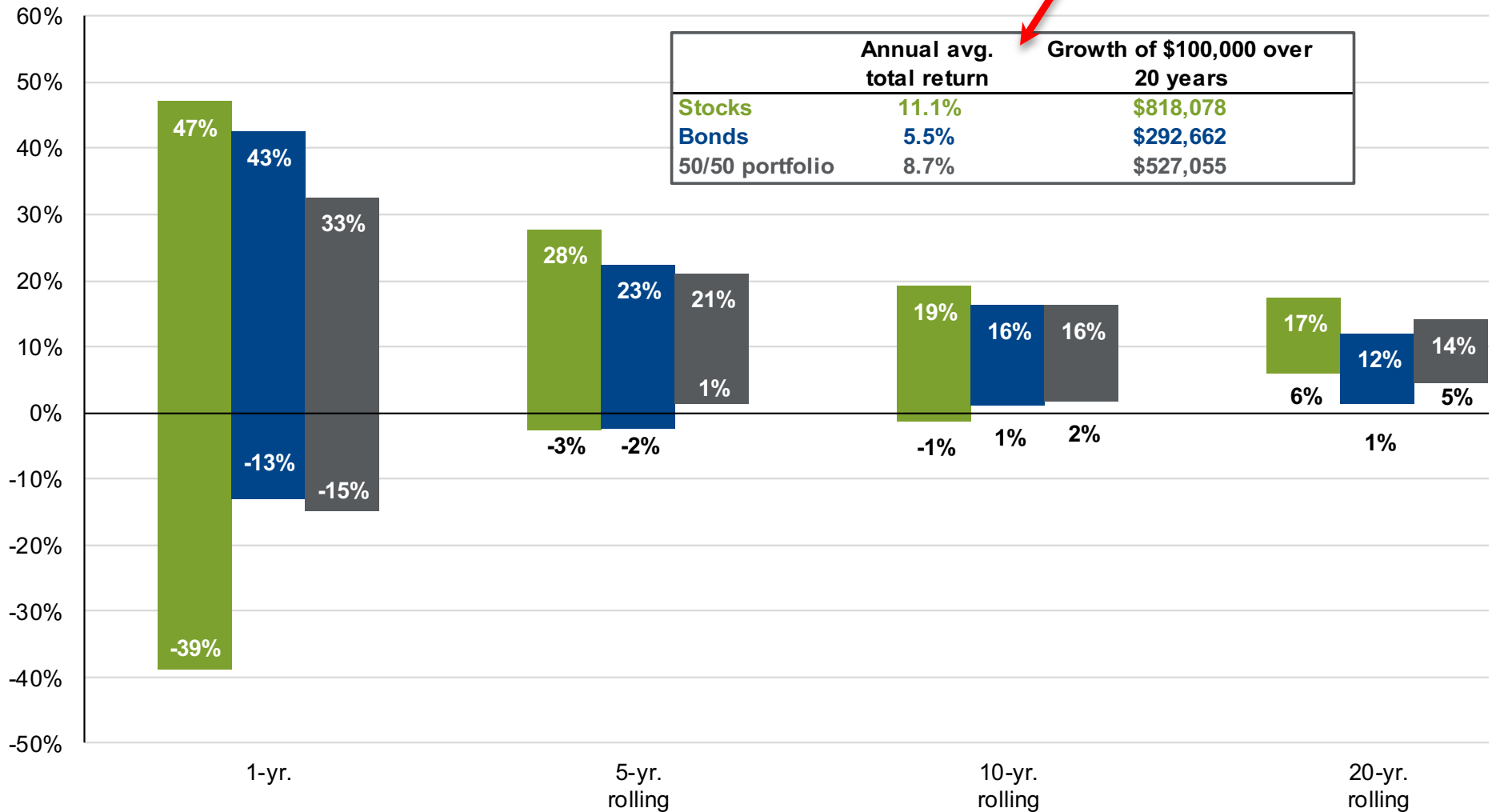
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Time, diversification and the volatility of returns

Staying diversified and taking a longterm approach matters

Range of stock, bond and blended total returns

Annual total returns, 1950-2022



Source: Bloomberg, FactSet, Federal Reserve, Robert Shiller, Strategas/Ibbotson, J.P. Morgan Asset Management. Returns shown are based on calendar year returns from 1950 to 2021. Stocks represent the S&P 500 Shiller Composite and Bonds represent Strategas/Ibbotson for periods from 1950 to 2010 and Bloomberg Aggregate thereafter. Growth of \$100,000 is based on annual average total returns from 1950 to 2022. Guide to the Markets – U.S. Data are as of June 30, 2023.

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Other asset classes: The **Alerian MLP Index** is a composite of the 50 most prominent energy Master Limited Partnerships (MLPs) that provides investors with an unbiased, comprehensive benchmark for the asset class. The **Bloomberg Commodity Index** and related sub-indices are composed of futures contracts on physical commodities and represents twenty two separate commodities traded on U.S. exchanges, with the exception of aluminum, nickel, and zinc. The **Cambridge Associates U.S. Global Buyout and Growth Index®** is based on data compiled from 1,768 global (U.S. & ex – U.S.) buyout and growth equity funds, including fully liquidated partnerships, formed between 1986 and 2013. The **CS/Tremont Hedge Fund Index** is compiled by Credit Suisse Tremont Index, LLC. It is an asset-weighted hedge fund index and includes only funds, as opposed to separate accounts. The Index uses the Credit Suisse/Tremont database, which tracks over 4500 funds, and consists only of funds with a minimum of US\$50 million under management, a 12-month track record, and audited financial statements. It is calculated and rebalanced on a monthly basis, and shown net of all performance fees and expenses. It is the exclusive property of Credit Suisse Tremont Index, LLC. The **HFRI Monthly Indices (HFRI)** are equally weighted performance indexes, utilized by numerous hedge fund managers as a benchmark for their own hedge funds. The HFRI are broken down into 4 main strategies, each with multiple sub strategies. All single-manager HFRI Index constituents are included in the HFRI Fund Weighted Composite, which accounts for over 2200 funds listed on the internal HFR Database. The **NAREIT EQUITY REIT Index** is designed to provide the most comprehensive assessment of overall industry performance and includes all tax-qualified real estate investment trusts (REITs) that are listed on the NYSE, the American Stock Exchange or the NASDAQ National Market List. The **NFI-ODCE**, short for NCREIF Fund Index - Open End Diversified Core Equity, is an index of investment returns reporting on both a historical and current basis the results of 33 open-end commingled funds pursuing a core investment strategy, some of which have performance histories dating back to the 1970s. The NFI-ODCE Index is capitalization-weighted and is reported gross of fees. Measurement is time-weighted.

The **U.S. Treasury Index** is a component of the U.S. Government index.