



# Capital Markets Snapshot

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Week ending November 15, 2024

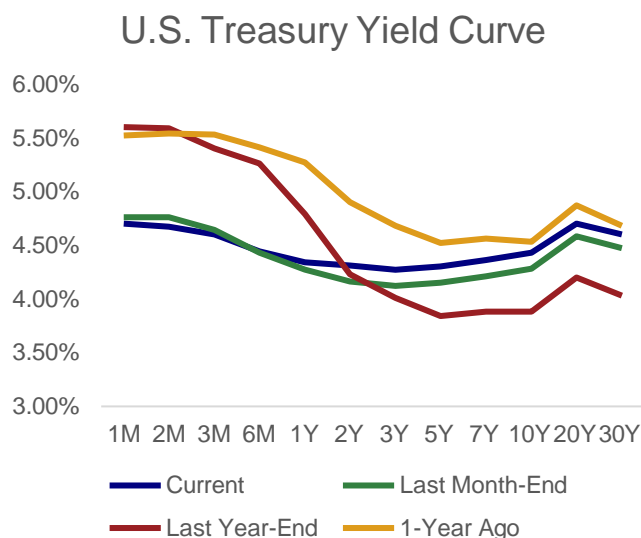
Last week, the equity markets experienced a notable pullback after a strong post-election rally. Major indices like the S&P 500, Nasdaq, and Russell 2000 all posted significant losses, with the Russell 2000 down over 4%. This decline was driven by rising bond yields, which reached multi-month highs, and comments from Fed Chair Jerome Powell suggesting a more cautious approach to rate cuts. Additionally, there was a noticeable sector rotation as investors moved out of Information Technology and into more cyclical sectors like Financials, Industrials, and Energy. Despite the pullback, the overall market remains up for the year, supported by strong economic fundamentals and resilient consumer spending.

## Fixed Income Markets Overview

- Bond yields surged to multi-month highs, with the 10-year Treasury yield briefly surpassing 4.50% before closing around 4.44% on Friday.
- The Federal Reserve delivered a 25-basis-point rate cut but emphasized inflation remains somewhat elevated and the economy is firm.
- Economic data, including the Consumer Price Index (CPI) and Producer Price Index (PPI), showed persistent inflation, particularly in services.
- The probability of future rate cuts decreased, with the CME FedWatch tool suggesting a lower likelihood of a December rate cut.

Asset Class	Name	1W	YTD	3Y(Ann.)	5Y(Ann.)
Short	1-3 Year Govt/Credit	0.0%	3.8%	1.4%	1.5%
	Intermediate Govt/Credit	-0.4%	2.7%	-0.2%	0.9%
Core Plus	International Aggregate	-1.3%	-1.2%	-4.4%	-1.7%
	US Aggregate	-0.8%	1.3%	-2.2%	-0.2%
	US Treasury	-0.7%	0.7%	-2.6%	-0.7%
	US TIPS	-1.0%	2.2%	-2.2%	2.1%
	US Corporate	-1.1%	2.4%	-2.0%	0.6%
	US Corporate High Yield	-0.4%	7.9%	3.0%	4.6%
Other	Emerging Markets Aggregate	-0.7%	6.5%	-0.5%	1.0%
Muni	US Municipals	0.1%	1.5%	-0.3%	1.2%
	US Municipals High Yield	0.2%	6.7%	0.6%	2.9%

Source: Bloomberg as of November 15, 2024



Source: Bloomberg and U.S. Treasury as of November 15, 2024

## Interest Rates (%)

Date	11/15/2024	10/31/2024	12/29/2023	11/15/2023
Federal Funds Rate	4.70%	4.76%	5.60%	5.52%
3 Month Treasury	4.60%	4.64%	5.40%	5.53%
6 Month Treasury	4.44%	4.43%	5.26%	5.41%
2 Year Treasury	4.31%	4.16%	4.23%	4.90%
5 Year Treasury	4.30%	4.15%	3.84%	4.52%
10 Year Treasury	4.43%	4.28%	3.88%	4.53%
30 Year Treasury	4.60%	4.47%	4.03%	4.68%
US Aggregate	4.84%	4.73%	4.53%	5.30%
US Corporate	5.25%	5.16%	5.06%	5.93%
US Corporate High Yield	7.29%	7.33%	7.59%	8.72%
US Municipal	3.59%	3.66%	3.22%	3.99%
US Municipal High Yield	5.38%	5.44%	5.57%	6.06%

## Spreads Over 10-Year US Treasuries

Date	11/15/2024	10/31/2024	12/29/2023	11/15/2023
30 Year Treasury	0.17%	0.19%	0.15%	0.15%
US Aggregate	0.41%	0.45%	0.65%	0.77%
US Corporate	0.82%	0.88%	1.18%	1.40%
US Corporate High Yield	2.86%	3.05%	3.71%	4.19%
US Municipal	-0.84%	-0.62%	-0.66%	-0.54%
US Municipal High Yield	0.95%	1.16%	1.69%	1.53%

Source: Bloomberg and U.S. Treasury as of November 15, 2024

## Equity Markets Overview

- All three major large cap indices experienced pullbacks ranging from -1% to -3%, after last week's strong rallies, with rising bond yields and Fed Chair Powell's comments about their planned cautious approach to future cuts contributing to the decline.
- Most sectors were down for the week, with Healthcare (-5.54%), Materials (-3.33%), and Technology (-3.18%) posting the biggest losses. Energy (+1.42%) and Financials (+0.58%) were the only positive gains for the week, while Utilities came in flat for the week and all remaining sectors posted losses of -1% to -2%.
- From a size perspective, small-cap stocks gave up the most ground falling -3% compared to large- and mid-cap with losses of -2.1% and -2.7%, respectively. From a style perspective, value stocks held up better than their growth counterparts across all market caps, with the largest outperformance in the large cap segment.

Asset Class	Name	1W	YTD	3Y(Ann.)	5Y(Ann.)
All-Cap	S&P 1500	-2.1%	23.8%	9.1%	15.0%
Large-Cap	S&P 500	-2.0%	24.6%	9.5%	15.3%
	S&P 500 Growth	-2.7%	31.6%	7.2%	17.3%
	S&P 500 Value	-1.1%	16.7%	11.3%	12.1%
Mid-Cap	S&P Midcap 400	-2.7%	16.8%	5.0%	11.6%
	S&P Midcap 400 Growth	-3.3%	19.0%	3.4%	11.3%
	S&P Midcap 400 Value	-2.0%	14.5%	6.5%	11.5%
Small-Cap	S&P Smallcap 600	-3.0%	12.6%	1.9%	10.0%
	S&P Smallcap 600 Growth	-3.2%	14.8%	1.1%	10.3%
	S&P Smallcap 600 Value	-2.8%	10.4%	2.5%	9.4%
Int'l.	MSCI ACWI ex-USA	-3.0%	6.3%	0.3%	5.1%
	MSCI EM	-4.4%	8.3%	-3.0%	3.1%

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## Alternative Markets Overview

- Oil prices slid down around -4% last week due to weaker Chinese demand and a increasing expectations of slowing in the pace of U.S. Federal Reserve interest rate cuts.
- Gold prices continued to retreat falling just over -4%, their biggest weekly decline in over three years, as expectations of less aggressive interest rate cuts by the U.S. Federal Reserve fell.
- Bitcoin's price reached a new record high for the second consecutive week, trading around \$91,000 on Friday afternoon after briefly hitting \$93,000 earlier in the week, up from approximately \$77,000 the previous week.

Name	1W	YTD	3Y (Ann.)	5Y (Ann.)
S&P GSCI	-2.3%	3.9%	6.7%	6.9%
Gold	-4.1%	25.2%	11.5%	11.9%
FTSE All Equity NAREIT	-1.9%	9.6%	-0.9%	4.4%
Bitcoin	19.1%	115.1%	12.7%	61.0%
Ethereum	5.0%	33.9%	-12.2%	76.6%

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### Upcoming Week

- As third quarter earnings season approaches its end, it will be a lighter week of releases, with notable ones from Walmart, Nvidia, and Deere & Company.
- This week we will be keeping an eye on the Wednesday's Leading Economic Indicator Index and Friday's Purchasing Managers Index releases. Other notable releases include a variety of housing market data throughout the week.

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S&P Smallcap 600 Index measures the performance of 600 small-sized U.S. companies to reflect the small-cap segment of the U.S. equity market, which is typically known for less liquidity than large cap stocks.

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Bloomberg Galaxy Bitcoin Index is designed to measure the performance of a single bitcoin traded in USD.

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Bloomberg Galaxy Ethereum Index is designed to measure the performance of a single Ethereum traded in USD.

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