
QUARTERLY MARKETS REVIEW

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After the marked downturn we saw in late February and into March, the broad US market woke itself up and snapped to attention, increasing just over 22% in three months. Other markets followed suit, though not necessarily to the same degree.

Where do we go from here? We wouldn't hazard a guess. But we know that some folks have heard the words "recession" looming, either because of what's already happened or what may lie ahead related to COVID-19. Accordingly, our feature article in this quarterly review looks at how long-term investors should think about recessions, as they relate to the stock market.

Following that, we look at world capital market performance and a timeline of events for the past quarter. We start with a global overview, then examine the returns of stock and bond asset classes in the US and international markets.

Finally, we illustrate the impact of globally diversified portfolios.

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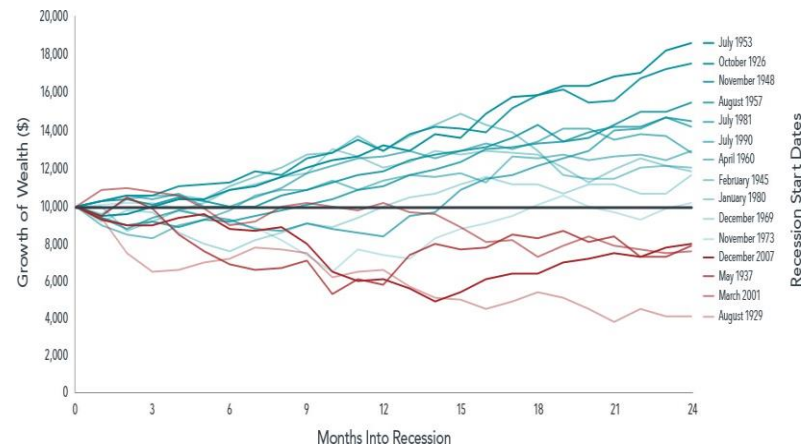
Long-Term Investors, Don't Let a Recession Faze You

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With activity in many industries sharply curtailed in an effort to reduce the chances of spreading the coronavirus, some economists say a recession is inevitable, if one hasn't already begun.¹ From a markets perspective, we have already experienced a drop in stocks, as prices have likely incorporated the growing chance of recession. Investors may be tempted to abandon equities and go to cash because of perceptions of recessions and their impact. But across the two years that follow a recession's onset, equities have a history of positive performance.

Data covering the past century's 15 US recessions show that investors tended to be rewarded for sticking with stocks. **Exhibit 1** shows that in 11 of the 15 instances, or 73% of the time, returns on stocks were positive two years after a recession began. The annualized market return for the two years following a recession's start averaged 7.8%.

Exhibit 1. Downturns, Then Upturns
Growth of wealth for the Fama/French Total US Market Research Index



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In USD. Performance includes reinvestment of dividends and capital gains. Indices are not available for direct investment; therefore, their performance does not reflect the expenses associated with the management of an actual portfolio.

Growth of wealth shows the growth of a hypothetical investment of \$10,000 in the securities in the Fama/French US Total Market Research Index over the 24 months starting the month after the relevant Recession Start Date. Sample includes 15 recessions as identified by the National Bureau of Economic Research (NBER) from October 1926 to December 2007.

NBER defines recessions as starting at the peak of a business cycle.

1. Nelson D. Schwartz, "Coronavirus Recession Looms, Its Course 'Unrecognizable,'" New York Times, March 21, 2020; Peter Coy, "The U.S. May Already Be in a Recession," Bloomberg Businessweek, March 6, 2020.

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Recessions understandably trigger worries over how markets might perform. But history can be a comfort for investors wondering whether now may be the time to move out of stocks.

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Fama/French Total US Market Research Index: The value-weighted US market index is constructed every month, using all issues listed on the NYSE, AMEX, or Nasdaq with available outstanding shares and valid prices for that month and the month before. Exclusions: American Depositary Receipts. Sources: CRSP for value-weighted US market return. Rebalancing: Monthly. Dividends: Reinvested in the paying company until the portfolio is rebalanced.

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Index Returns

	US Stock Market	International Developed Stocks	Emerging Markets Stocks	Global Real Estate	US Bond Market	Global Bond Market ex US
2Q 2020	STOCKS				BONDS	
	22.03%	15.34%	18.08%	11.17%	2.90%	1.76%
						
Since Jan. 2001						
Avg. Quarterly Return	2.1%	1.4%	2.7%	2.3%	1.2%	1.1%
Best Quarter	22.0%	25.9%	34.7%	32.3%	4.6%	4.6%
	2020 Q2	2009 Q2	2009 Q2	2009 Q3	2001 Q3	2008 Q4
Worst Quarter	-22.8%	-23.3%	-27.6%	-36.1%	-3.0%	-2.7%
	2008 Q4	2020 Q1	2008 Q4	2008 Q4	2016 Q4	2015 Q2

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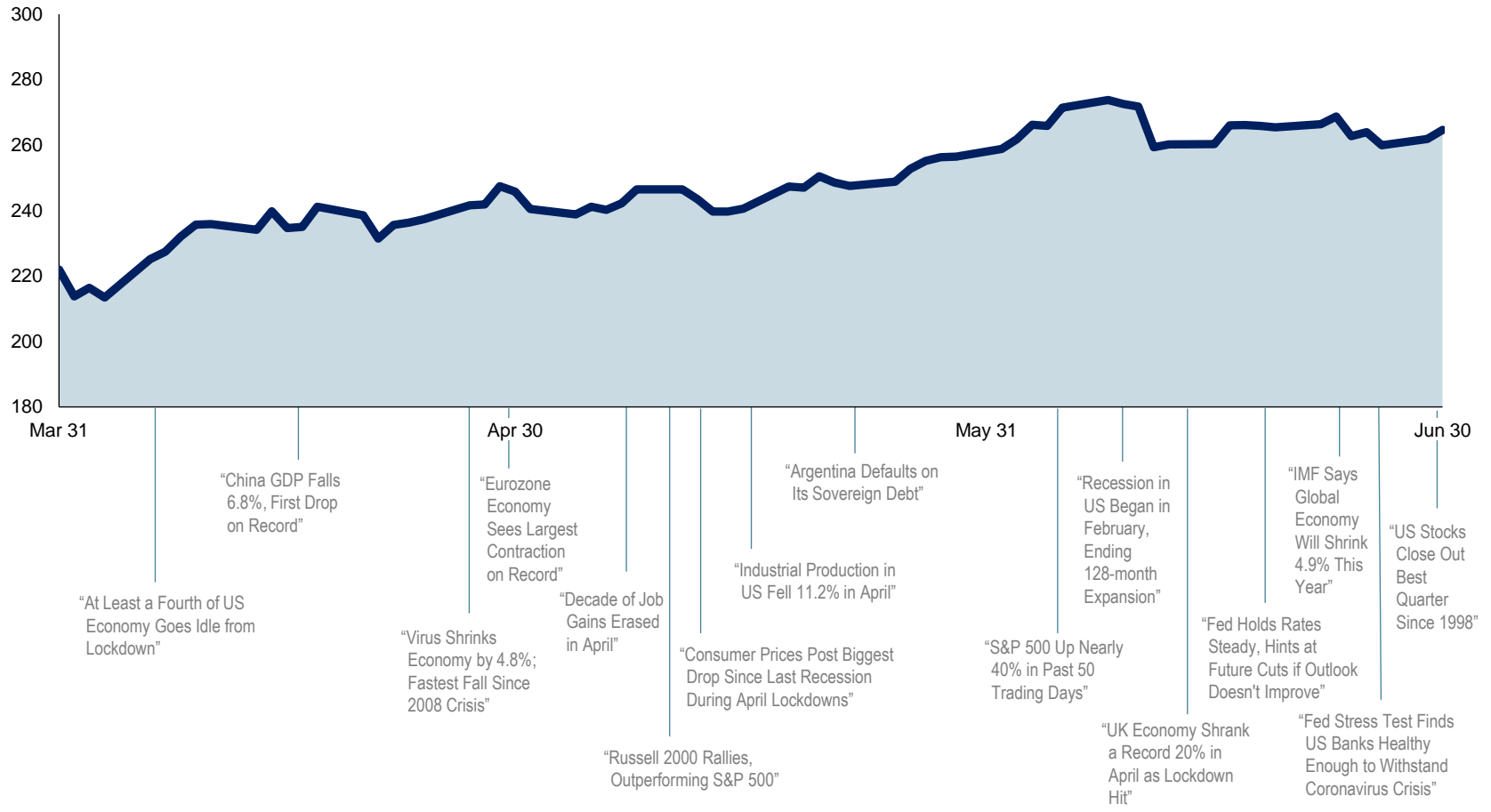
Index Returns

	US Stock Market	International Developed Stocks	Emerging Markets Stocks	Global Real Estate	US Bond Market	Global Bond Market ex US
1 Year	STOCKS				BONDS	
	6.53%	-5.42%	-3.39%	-15.91%	8.74%	4.00%
						
5 Years						
	10.03%	2.01%	2.86%	1.62%	4.30%	4.49%
						
10 Years						
	13.72%	5.43%	3.27%	6.97%	3.82%	4.20%
						

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World Stock Market Performance

MSCI All Country World Index with selected headlines from Q2 2020



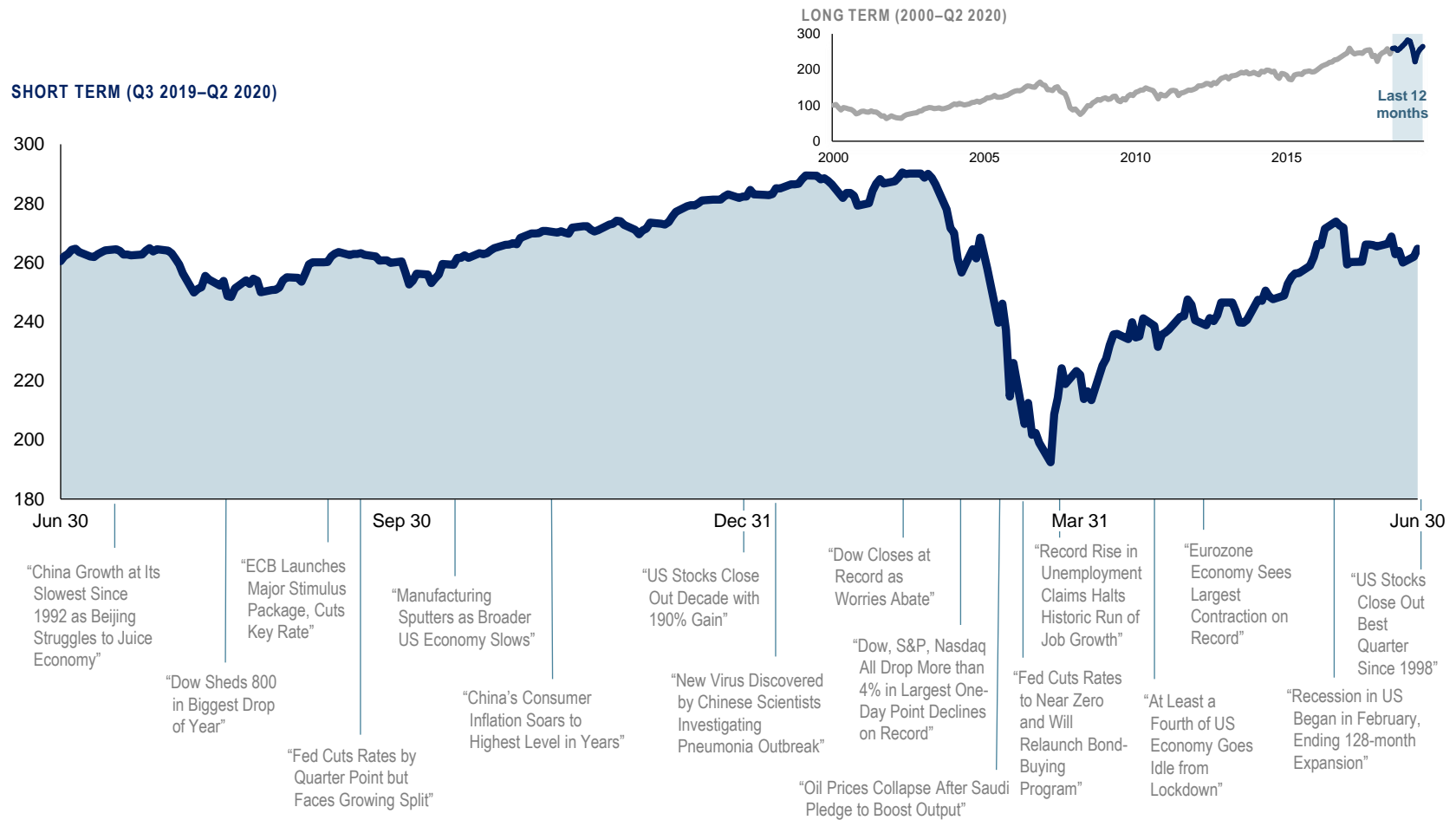
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World Stock Market Performance

MSCI All Country World Index with selected headlines from past 12 months



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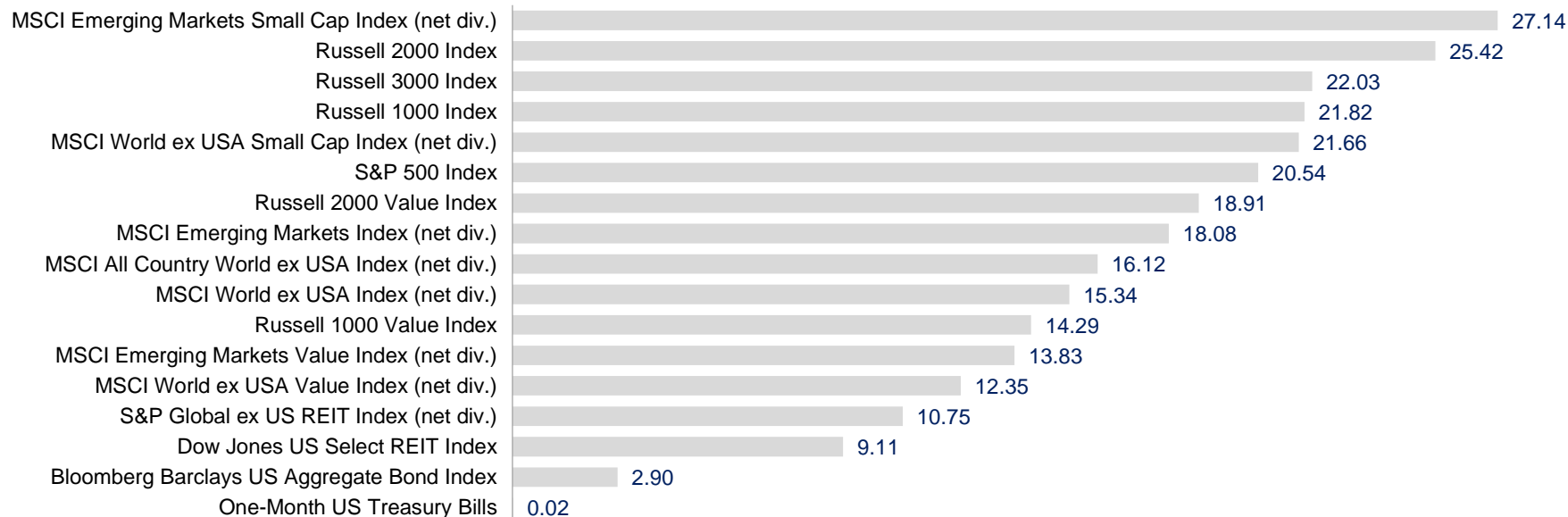
World Asset Classes

Second Quarter 2020 Index Returns (%)

Equity markets around the globe posted positive returns in the second quarter. Looking at broad market indices, US equities outperformed non-US developed markets and emerging markets.

Value stocks underperformed growth stocks, and small caps outperformed large caps.

REIT indices underperformed equity market indices in both the US and non-US developed markets.



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US Stocks

Second Quarter 2020 Index Returns

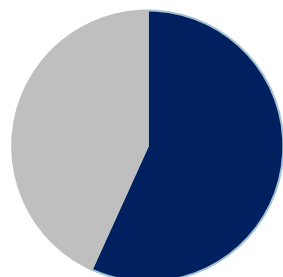
The US equity market posted positive returns for the quarter, outperforming non-US developed markets and emerging markets.

Value underperformed growth in the US across large and small cap stocks.

Small caps outperformed large caps in the US.

REIT indices underperformed equity market indices.

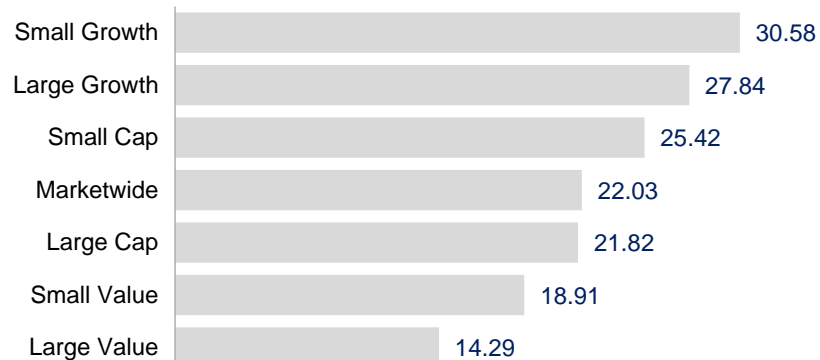
World Market Capitalization—US



57%

US Market
\$30.5 trillion

Ranked Returns (%)



Period Returns (%)

* Annualized

Asset Class	YTD	1 Year	3 Years*	5 Years*	10 Years*
Large Growth	9.81	23.28	18.99	15.89	17.23
Large Cap	-2.81	7.48	10.64	10.47	13.97
Small Growth	-3.06	3.48	7.86	6.86	12.92
Marketwide	-3.48	6.53	10.04	10.03	13.72
Small Cap	-12.98	-6.63	2.01	4.29	10.50
Large Value	-16.26	-8.84	1.82	4.64	10.41
Small Value	-23.50	-17.48	-4.35	1.26	7.82

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International Developed Stocks

Second Quarter 2020 Index Returns

Developed markets outside the US underperformed both the US equity market and emerging markets equities for the quarter.

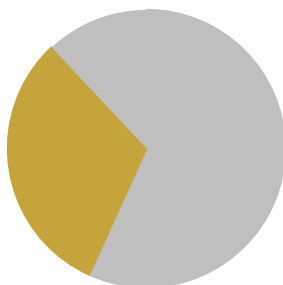
Small caps outperformed large caps in non-US developed markets.

Value underperformed growth across large and small cap stocks.

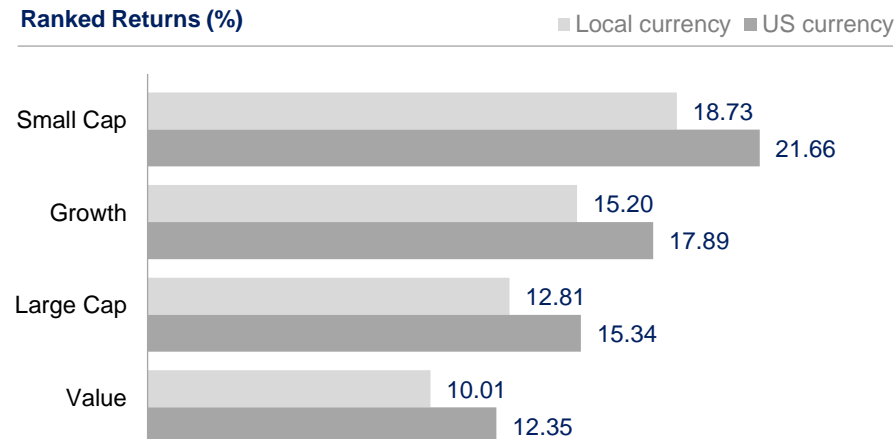
World Market Capitalization—International Developed

31%

International
Developed Market
\$16.7 trillion



Ranked Returns (%)



Period Returns (%)

Asset Class	YTD	1 Year	3 Years*	* Annualized	
				5 Years*	10 Years*
Growth	-3.11	4.25	5.93	5.29	7.36
Large Cap	-11.49	-5.42	0.84	2.01	5.43
Small Cap	-12.87	-3.20	0.53	3.56	7.26
Value	-19.96	-15.14	-4.42	-1.46	3.36

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Emerging Markets Stocks

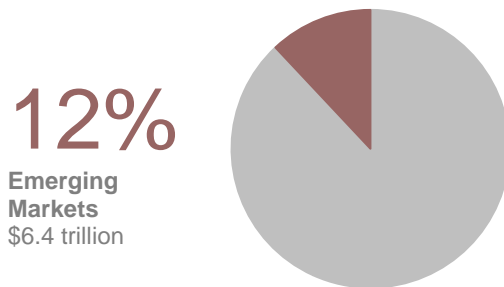
Second Quarter 2020 Index Returns

Emerging markets underperformed the US equity market but outperformed developed ex US equities for the quarter.

Value stocks underperformed growth stocks.

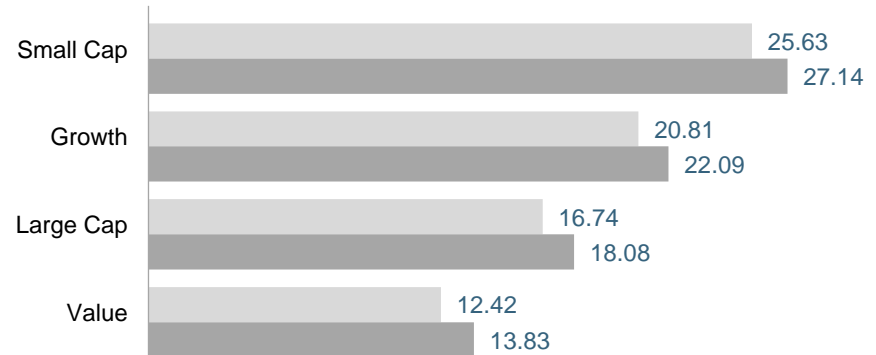
Small caps outperformed large caps.

World Market Capitalization—Emerging Markets



Ranked Returns (%)

■ Local currency ■ US currency



Period Returns (%)

* Annualized

Asset Class	YTD	1 Year	3 Years*	5 Years*	10 Years*
Growth	-1.52	9.67	6.19	6.35	5.76
Large Cap	-9.78	-3.39	1.90	2.86	3.27
Small Cap	-12.74	-8.82	-2.95	-1.38	1.78
Value	-18.05	-15.74	-2.64	-0.80	0.66

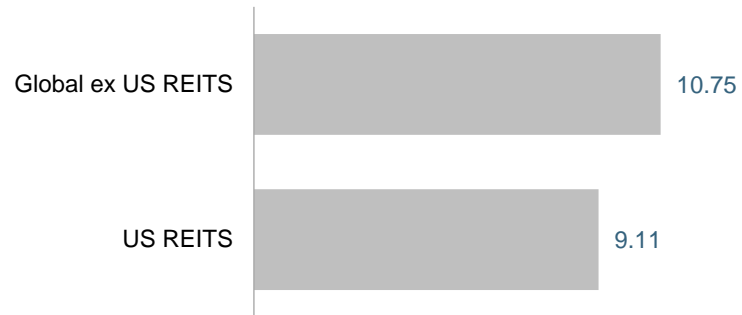
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Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITs)

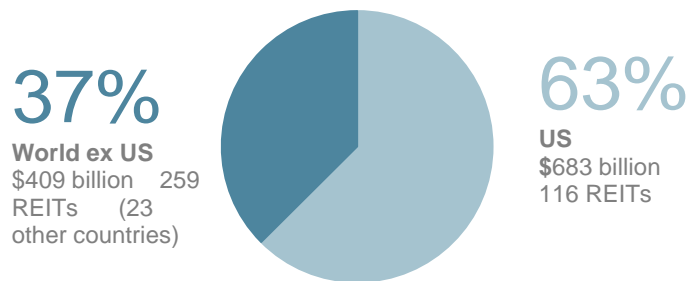
Second Quarter 2020 Index Returns

US real estate investment trusts underperformed non-US REITs in US dollar terms during the quarter.

Ranked Returns (%)



Total Value of REIT Stocks



Period Returns (%)

Asset Class	YTD	1 Year	3 Years*	* Annualized	
				5 Years*	10 Years*
US REITs	-22.01	-17.71	-1.99	2.45	8.27
Global ex US REITs	-25.25	-19.44	-2.37	-0.11	5.73

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Fixed Income

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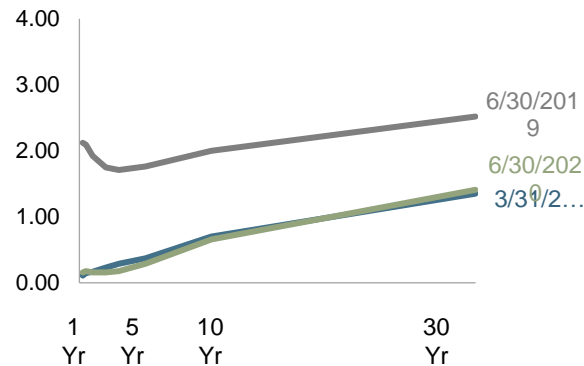
Interest rate changes were mixed in the US Treasury fixed income market in the second quarter. The yield on the 5-Year US Treasury Note decreased by 8 basis points (bps), ending at 0.29%. The yield on the 10-year note decreased by 4 bps to 0.66%. The 30-Year US Treasury Bond yield increased by 6 bps to 1.41%.

On the short end of the curve, the 1-Month T-bill yield rose by 8 bps to 0.13%, while the 1-year T-bill yield fell by 1 bp to 0.16%. The 2-year note finished at 0.16% after a yield decrease of 7 bps.

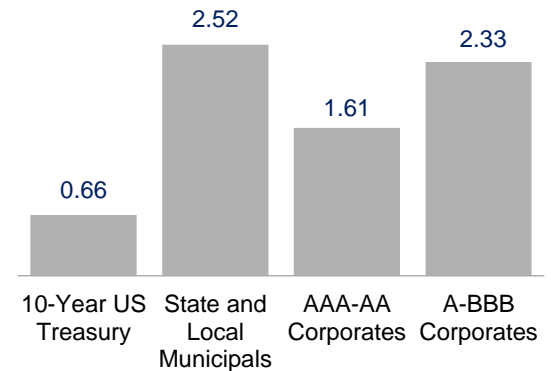
In terms of total returns, short-term corporate bonds returned 5.59% for the quarter. Intermediate corporates returned 7.63%. The total return for short-term municipal bonds was 2.38%, while intermediate-term muni bonds returned 3.19%.

General obligation bonds outperformed revenue bonds.

US Treasury Yield Curve (%)



Bond Yield across Issuers (%)



Period Returns (%)

Asset Class	QTR	YTD	1 Year	3 Years*	5 Years*	10 Years*
Bloomberg Barclays US High Yield Corporate Bond Index	10.18	-3.80	0.03	3.33	4.79	6.68
Bloomberg Barclays US TIPS Index	4.24	6.01	8.28	5.05	3.75	3.52
Bloomberg Barclays US Aggregate Bond Index	2.90	6.14	8.74	5.32	4.30	3.82
Bloomberg Barclays Municipal Bond Index	2.72	2.08	4.45	4.22	3.93	4.22
FTSE World Government Bond Index 1-5 Years	1.41	2.11	2.27	1.86	1.68	0.62
FTSE World Government Bond Index 1-5 Years (hedged to USD)	0.53	2.79	3.96	3.09	2.38	1.96
Bloomberg Barclays US Government Bond Index Long	0.28	20.97	25.14	11.96	9.21	7.71
ICE BofA US 3-Month Treasury Bill Index	0.02	0.60	1.63	1.77	1.19	0.64
ICE BofA 1-Year US Treasury Note Index	-0.03	1.69	2.86	2.25	1.54	0.95

*Annualized

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Global Fixed Income

Second Quarter 2020 Yield Curves

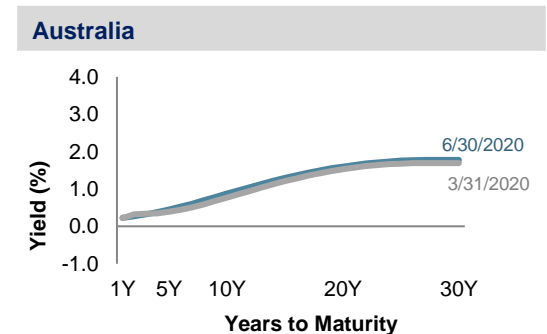
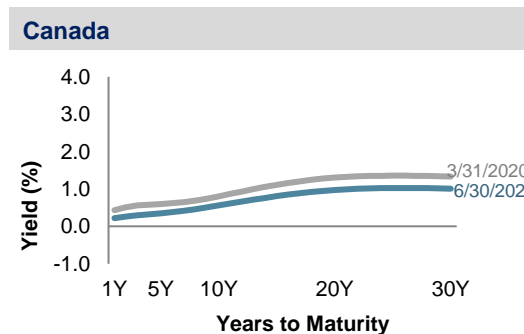
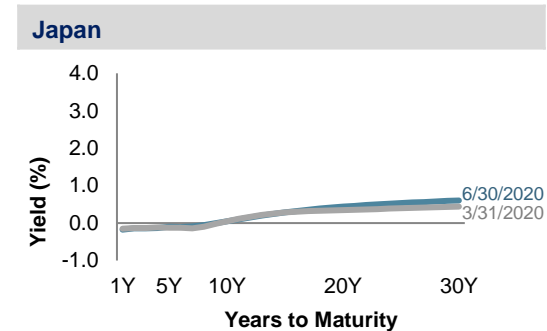
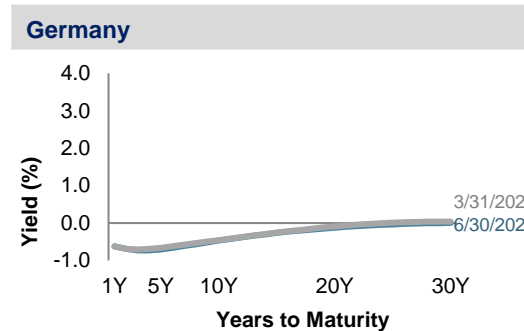
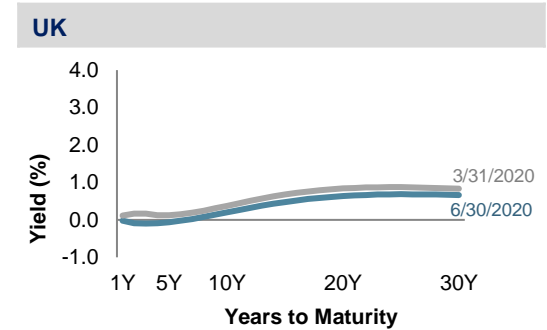
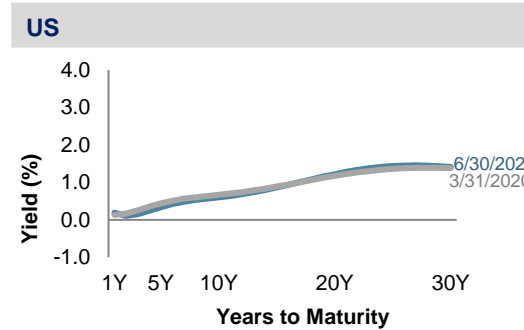
Changes in government bond interest rates in the global developed markets were mixed for the quarter.

Longer-term bonds generally outperformed shorter-term bonds in global developed markets.

Short- and intermediate-term nominal interest rates were negative in Japan, while all maturities finished the quarter negative in Germany.

Changes in Yields (bps) since 3/31/2020

	1Y	5Y	10Y	20Y	30Y
US	5.7	-9.9	-6.9	4.6	3.1
UK	-13.5	-18.9	-17.1	-20.2	-16.9
Germany	1.2	-4.0	-1.5	-3.2	-3.3
Japan	-3.0	2.2	0.0	8.9	16.1
Canada	-21.0	-24.6	-24.5	-33.1	-32.6
Australia	1.4	6.1	10.7	7.0	8.9



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Impact of Diversification

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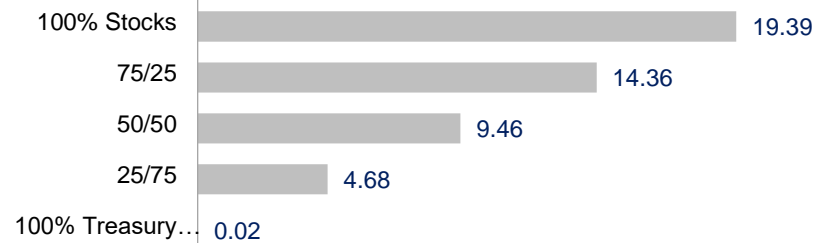
These portfolios illustrate the performance of different global stock/bond mixes and highlight the benefits of diversification. Mixes with larger allocations to stocks are considered riskier but have higher expected returns over time.

Period Returns (%)

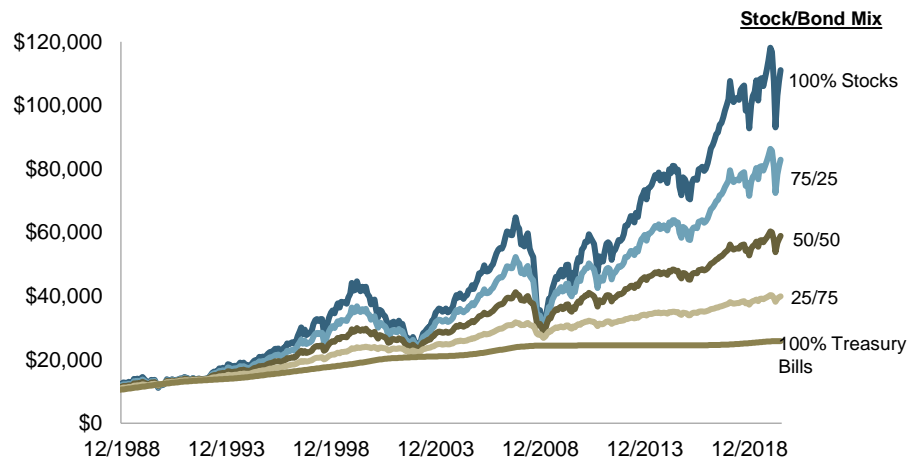
* Annualized

Asset Class	YTD	1 Year	3 Years*	5 Years*	10 Years*	10-Year STDEV ¹
100% Treasury Bills	0.39	1.35	1.62	1.07	0.55	0.23
25/75	-0.86	2.10	3.12	2.73	2.97	3.49
50/50	-2.34	2.57	4.48	4.29	5.31	7.00
75/25	-4.05	2.75	5.67	5.72	7.57	10.51
100% Stocks	-5.99	2.64	6.70	7.03	9.74	14.02

Ranked Returns (%)



Growth of Wealth: The Relationship between Risk and Return



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