



Quarterly Market Review
Third Quarter 2025

## **Quarterly Market Summary**



Returns (USD), as of September 30, 2025

		Sto	Bonds				
	US Stock Market	International Developed Stocks	Emerging Markets Stocks	Global Real Estate	US Bond Market	Global Bond Market ex US	
Q3 2025	8.18%	5.33%	10.64%	4.22%	2.03%	0.49%	
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Since January 200	<b>)</b> 1						
Average Quarterly Return	2.5%	1.8%	2.7%	2.2%	1.0%	0.9%	
Best Quarter	22.0%	25.9%	34.7%	32.3%	6.8%	5.4%	
	2020 Q2	2009 Q2	2009 Q2	2009 Q3	2023 Q4	2023 Q4	
Worst Quarter	-22.8%	-23.3%	-27.6%	-36.1%	-5.9%	-4.1%	
	2008 Q4	2020 Q1	2008 Q4	2008 Q4	2022 Q1	2022 Q1	

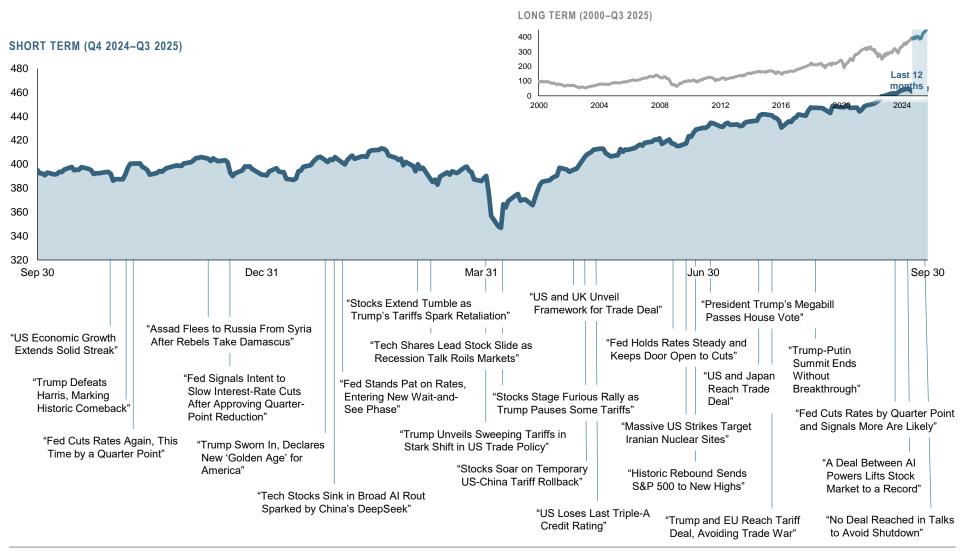
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Market segment (index representation) as follows: US Stock Market (Russell 3000 Index), International Developed Stocks (MSCI World ex USA Index [net dividends]), Emerging Markets (MSCI Emerging Markets Index [net dividends]), Global Real Estate (S&P Global REIT Index [net dividends]), US Bond Market (Bloomberg US Aggregate Bond Index), and Global Bond Market ex US (Bloomberg Global Aggregate ex-USD Bond Index [hedged to USD]). S&P data © 2025 S&P Dow Jones Indices LLC, a division of S&P Global. All rights reserved. Frank Russell Company is the source and owner of the trademarks, service marks, and copyrights related to the Russell Indexes. MSCI data © MSCI 2025, all rights reserved. Bloomberg data provided by Bloomberg.

### World Stock Market Performance



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



These headlines are not offered to explain market returns. Instead, they serve as a reminder that investors should view daily events from a long-term perspective and avoid making investment decisions based solely on the news.

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### **US Stocks**

### Returns (USD), 3rd Quarter 2025



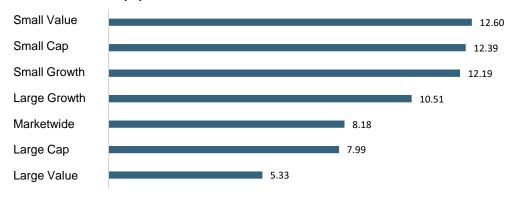
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- The US equity market posted positive returns for the quarter and outperformed non-US developed markets but underperformed emerging markets.
- Value underperformed growth.
- Small caps outperformed large caps.
- REIT indices underperformed equity market indices.

#### **World Market Capitalization**



#### Ranked Returns (%)



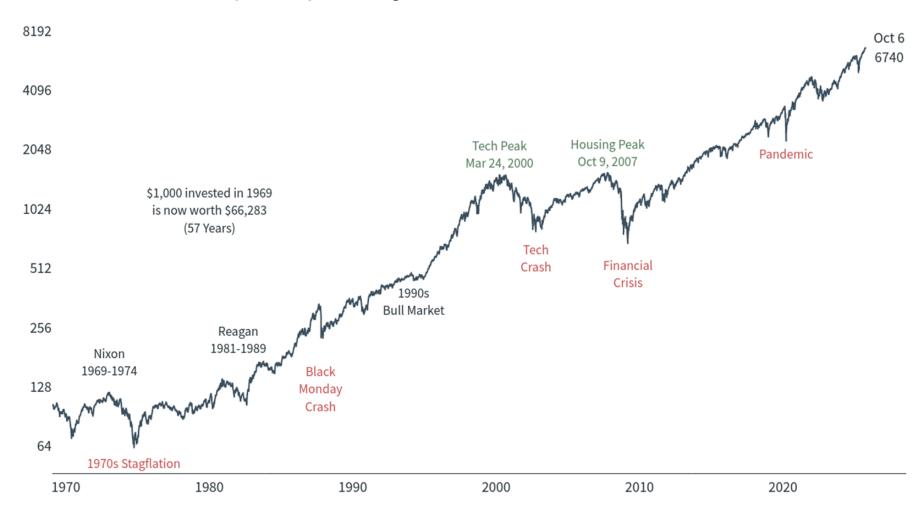
#### Periodic Returns (%)

			ANNOALIZED						
Asset Class	QTR	YTD	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years	15 Years	20 Years	
Small Value	12.60	9.04	7.88	13.56	14.59	9.23	9.54	7.27	
Small Cap	12.39	10.39	10.76	15.21	11.56	9.77	10.42	8.14	
Small Growth	12.19	11.65	13.56	16.68	8.41	9.91	11.01	8.78	
Large Growth	10.51	17.24	25.53	31.61	17.58	18.83	17.36	13.33	
Marketwide	8.18	14.40	17.41	24.12	15.74	14.71	14.23	10.75	
Large Cap	7.99	14.60	17.75	24.64	15.99	15.04	14.49	10.92	
Large Value	5.33	11.65	9.44	16.96	13.88	10.72	11.24	8.19	

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## **Stock Market Cycles**

S&P 500 Index over the past 50 years (log scale)



Latest data point is Oct 6, 2025

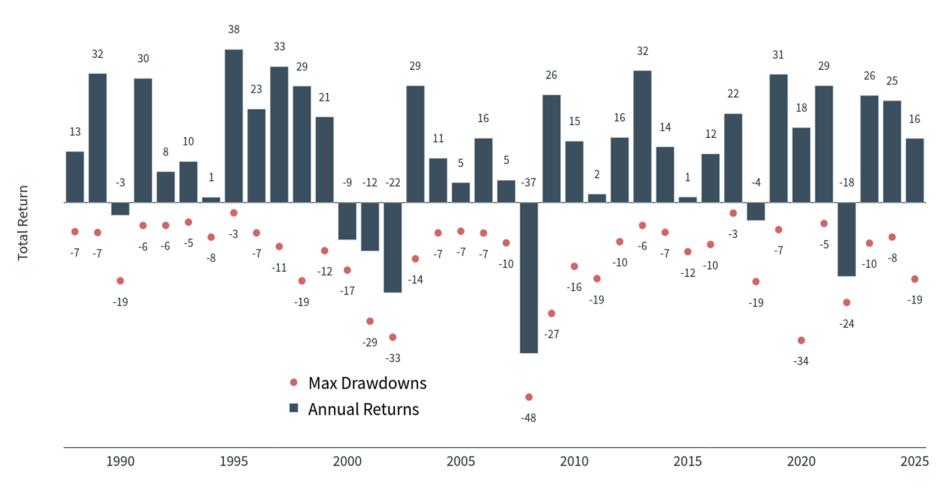
- As this chart shows, the stock market has performed well over the past 50 years despite short-term ups and downs.
- These periods of turbulence were due to economic, political and global turmoil during those decades.
- This emphasizes the importance of staying invested, rather than focusing on days or months, especially as volatility rises.

Sources: Clearnomics, Standard & Poor's



### Total Returns and Pullbacks

S&P 500 Index total returns. Max drawdown represents the biggest intra-year decline



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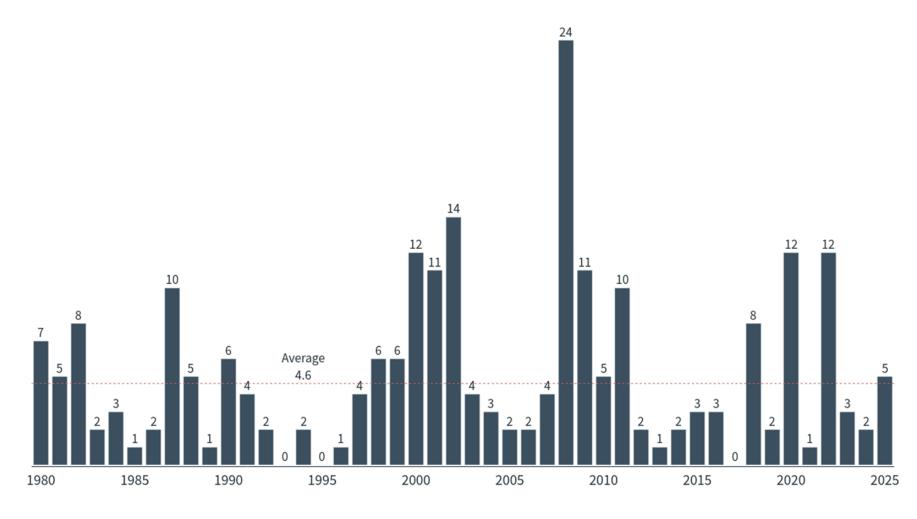
- This chart shows total returns of the stock market (bars) and the largest intra-year decline (dots) each year.
- The average year sees a significant intra-year drop. However, most years still end in positive territory, especially with dividends.
- Volatility in prices is a normal part of investing. It is important to not forget that investments also generate income.

Source: Clearnomics, Standard & Poor's

Number of Pullbacks Experienced

### Stock Market Pullbacks

The number of 5% S&P 500 pullbacks experienced by investors each year



Latest data point is Oct 7, 2025

- Investing in the stock market is inherently uncertain. Large pullbacks can occur at any time.
- Investors experience several large pullbacks each year with very few exceptions.
- Over the long run, stocks are still the best way to protect and create wealth. Staying invested is thus an important discipline.

Sources: Clearnomics, Standard & Poor's

## The Stock Market and Earnings

S&P 500 Index price and trailing earnings-per-share since 1990



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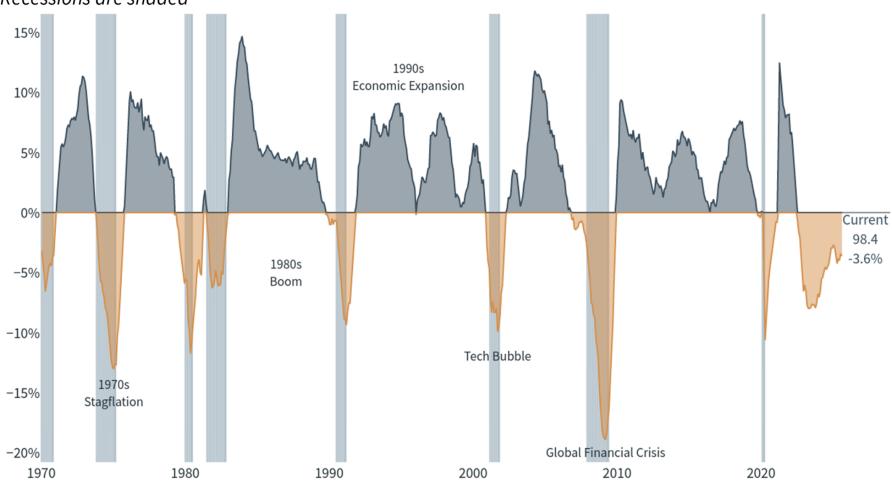
- This chart shows the S&P 500 index alongside its trailing 12 months earnings-per-share.
- Over the long run, the stock market tends to follow earnings. If earnings are rising, investors are willing to pay more per share.
- Earnings, in turn, tend to track economic growth. Thus, a healthy economy tends to result in a rising stock market.

Sources: Clearnomics, LSEG, Standard & Poor's



## **Leading Economic Indicators**

Conference Board LEI year-over-year percent change Recessions are shaded



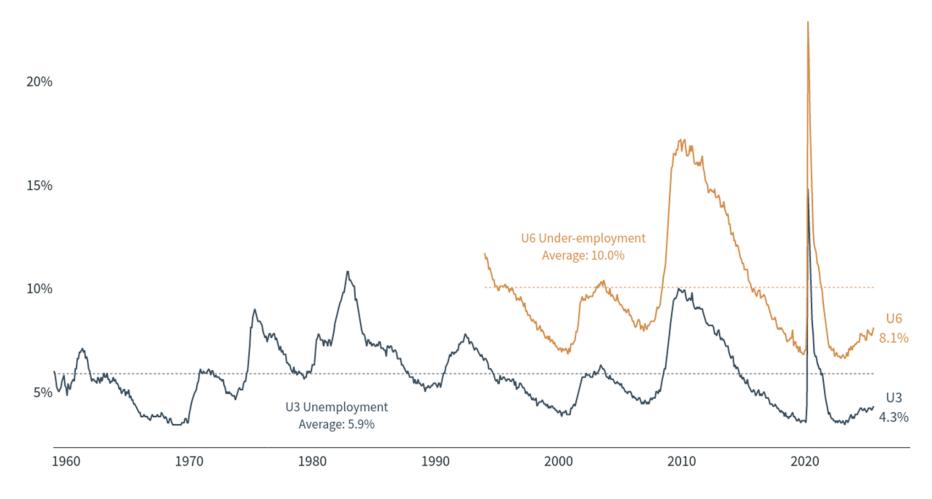
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- This chart shows the year-over-year percent change in an index of leading economic indicators.
- This indicator usually turns negative several months before a recession as the economy decelerates.
- This pattern is also evident over the prior seven recessions and is the result of the economic cycle.

Sources: Clearnomics, Conference Board, NBER, LSEG

## **Unemployment Rates**

U-3 unemployment and U-6 under-employment rates, since 1960



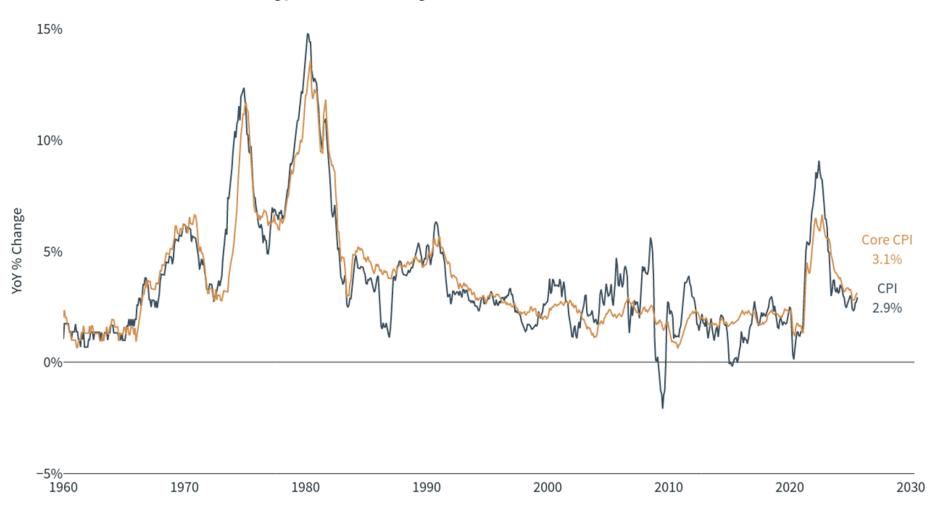
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- Unemployment is still historically low despite economic uncertainty and slowing hiring activity.
- Even the so-called under-employment rate has fallen to near historic lows as jobs remain plentiful.
- This is partly because the supply of labor has fallen, especially as immigration has slowed.

Sources: Clearnomics, Bureau of Labor Statistics

### Consumer Price Index

### CPI and Ex Food and Energy, YoY % Change



Latest data point is Aug 2025

- CPI is a commonly cited measure of inflation. It uses a basket of goods and services to track price changes for consumers.
- In order to measure the underlying trend in inflation, rather than temporary shocks to food and energy, economists often focus on core CPI.
- Tariffs could drive some prices higher, extending the timeline to achieve the Fed's target.

Sources: Clearnomics, Bureau of Labor Statistics

## **Definitions and Methodology**



The **S&P 500** is a market capitalization-weighted index of large cap U.S. stocks. U.S. **mid cap** and **small cap** are the S&P 400 and S&P 600, respectively. **Value** and **growth** are the corresponding Standard & Poor's value and growth indices.

**MSCIEM** is an index of emerging market stocks. **MSCIEAFE** is an index of developed market stocks. **MSCIACWI** is an index of global stocks.

The **forward P/E** is a ratio of the current market price of an index divided by an estimate of earnings over the next twelve months. The **Shiller P/E** is based on Robert Shiller's cyclically adjusted price-to-earnings ratio.

The **AAII Investor Sentiment** index is based on a weekly survey conducted by AAII.

Unless stated otherwise, **earnings** and **valuations** data are from LSFG indices.

The **LEI**, or Leading Economic Index, is produced monthly by the Conference Board.

**Consumer sentiment** indices are based on surveys conducted by the University of Michigan Surveys of Consumers.

Asset Class Performance and Asset Classes Relative to U.S. Stocks charts: The EM, EAFE, Small Cap, Fixed Income and Commodities are these indices, respectively: MSCI EM, MSCI EAFE, Russell 2000, Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index, Bloomberg Commodity Index.

**Fixed Income Performance**: All sectors are represented by the Bloomberg bond indices except for EMD USD and Local which are the JPMorgan EMBIG Diversified Index and JPMorgan GBI-EM Core Index, respectively.

The Balanced Portfolio is a historical 60/40 index calculation consisting of 40% U.S. Large Cap, 5% Small Cap, 10% International Developed Equities, 5% Emerging Market Equities, 35% U.S. Bonds, and 5% Commodities.

The **Bloomberg Commodity Index** is a broadly diversified basket of physical commodities futures contracts.

The **DXY** is a U.S. dollar index based on a basket of currencies, including the Euro, Yen, Pound, Canadian Dollar, Swedish Krona and Swiss Franc.

**Portfolio Risk/Reward and Portfolio Drift Since 2009** charts: stocks and bonds are the S&P 500 and Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate bond index, respectively. Each portfolio represents a historical stock/bond asset allocation.

The **MSCI Factor** indices are created and maintained by MSCI to capture factor returns. They cover various factors including Quality, Size, Momentum, Volatility, Value and Yield. The Multi-Factor index tracks the performance of Value, Momentum, Quality and Size.

The MSCI USA index tracks large and mid cap U.S. stocks.



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