## **Weekly Market Update**

Gold (\$/oz.)

4197.78



Market Data as of Week Ending: 12/5/2025 unless noted otherwise

Equities edged higher last week as investors continued to digest delayed economic releases and position around the evolving path of monetary policy. Risk appetite improved modestly, helping small-cap stocks outpace mid and large-caps, while style trends remained relatively muted. Cyclical sectors of the S&P 500 led performance as improving sentiment and expectations for easing financial conditions supported demand for growth-oriented areas of the market. Information Technology was the strongest sector, benefiting from renewed interest in large-cap tech and Al-related names. Defensive sectors lagged, with utilities down 4.48% and healthcare 2.72% lower for the week. Foreign markets also advanced, with both developed and emerging markets outperforming as global risk sentiment improved.

Fixed income traded lower last week as Treasury yields rose across longer-term maturities. The 2-Year Treasury yield moved higher to 3.56% while the 10-Year finished the week at 4.14%, widening the 2-10yr slope to 0.58%. Higher yields led longer-duration bonds to underperform. Both government and corporate bonds declined over the week, while spread contraction allowed high-yield bonds to finish higher. Investment-grade corporate yields increased to 4.84%, while high-yield bond yields fell to 7.06%.

Economic data continued to trickle in last week, with a mix of delayed government releases and timely private indicators. The data reinforced the "low-hire, low-fire" narrative. The ADP National Employment Report showed that the private sector lost 32K jobs in November, weaker than expected. The Department of Labor reported 191K initial jobless claims for the prior week, a better-than-expected reading. Continuing claims remain elevated but declined to 1.939M. ISM reported a manufacturing PMI of 48.2 in November, with new orders and employment under pressure. ISM services PMI came in at 52.6, remaining in expansion, though hiring softened. While labor-market weakness persists, inflation remains within expectations. The September PCE price index increased 0.3%, while core PCE increased 0.2%, bringing year-over-year core PCE to 2.8%, slightly better than expected. Personal spending in September increased \$65.1B, driven almost entirely by a rise in services spending. Consumer expectations improved as the University of Michigan's preliminary December survey reported the index of consumer sentiment rising to 53.3, supported by gains in consumer expectations.

					U.S.	Equity Return	s (Size & Sty	le - Russell)					
		Week			MTD			QTD			YTD		
	Value	Core	Growth	Value	Core	Growth	Value	Core	Growth	Value	Core	Growth	
Large	0.26%	0.36%	0.45%	0.26%	0.36%	0.45%	3.38%	2.78%	2.22%	15.43%	17.78%	19.84%	
Mid	0.33%	0.30%	0.23%	0.33%	0.30%	0.23%	1.69%	0.74%	-2.17%	11.34%	11.24%	10.39%	
Small	0.90%	0.88%	0.87%	0.90%	0.88%	0.87%	3.99%	3.69%	3.42%	13.40%	14.47%	15.47%	
				U.	S. Fixed Inc	ome Returns	(Quality & D	uration - Blo	omberg)				
		Week		MTD			QTD			YTD			
	Short	Interm	Long	Short	Interm	Long	Short	Interm	Long	Short	Interm	Long	
Govt	-0.18%	-0.31%	-1.74%	-0.18%	-0.31%	-1.74%	0.75%	0.80%	-0.05%	5.41%	6.12%	5.59%	
Corp	-0.12%	-0.23%	-0.99%	-0.12%	-0.23%	-0.99%	0.80%	0.86%	-0.05%	6.32%	7.49%	7.51%	
HY	0.16%	0.14%	-0.86%	0.16%	0.14%	-0.86%	0.77%	0.88%	-0.26%	7.37%	8.03%	13.50%	
	Index Returns							S&P 500 Sector Returns					
			Week	MTD	QTD	YTD			Week	MTD	QTD	YTD	
Equities (Stocks)							Consumer Disc		0.88%	0.88%	0.80%	6.14%	
S&P 500			0.35%	0.35%	2.95%	18.22%	Consumer Staples		-1.25%	-1.25%	0.35%	4.25%	
S&P MidCap 400			0.39%	0.39%	1.97%	7.84%	Energy		1.44%	1.44%	2.79%	10.02%	
Russell 2000			0.88%	0.88%	3.69%	14.47%	Financials		0.70%	0.70%	-0.33%	12.37%	
MSCI EAFE			0.77%	0.77%	2.59%	28.38%	Health Care		-2.72%	-2.72%	10.14%	13.02%	
MSCI Emerging Markets			1.42%	1.42%	3.13%	31.53%	Industrials		0.60%	0.60%	0.21%	18.63%	
MSCI EAFE Small Cap			-0.13%	-0.13%	0.27%	28.74%	Info Technology		1.38%	1.38%	3.08%	26.08%	
Fixed Income (Bonds)							Materials		-1.37%	-1.37%	-2.44%	6.65%	
Bloomberg Int Gov/Credit			-0.29%	-0.29%	0.82%	6.57%	Real Estate		-1.48%	-1.48%	-2.17%	3.88%	
	Bloomberg US Agg		-0.48%	-0.48%	0.76%	6.94%	Communication Svcs			0.81%	9.20%	35.96%	
	Bloomberg US High Yield		0.12%	0.12%	0.86%	8.14%	Utilities		-4.48%	-4.48%	-0.75%	16.81%	
Other		J										, -	
Bloomberg Commodity 1.52% 1.52% 7.80% 17.91%						17.91%	Bond Yields						
	Dev Proper		-1.48%	-1.48%	-0.77%	10.97%			12/5/25	11/30/25	9/30/25	12/31/24	
		•					SOFR 3N	lo Swap	3.75%	3.78%	3.97%	4.30%	
Commodities and Currency								2Yr Treasury		3.47%	3.60%	4.25%	
12/5/25 11/30/25 9/30/25 12/31/24						10Yr Treasury		3.56% 4.14%	4.02%	4.16%	4.58%		
Oil (\$/barrel)			60.08	58.65	62.37	71.72	2-10 Slope		0.58%	0.55%	0.56%	0.33%	

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