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Fourth Quarter 2023

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This report features world capital market performance and a timeline of events for the past quarter. It begins with a global overview, then features the returns of stock and bond asset classes in the US and international markets. The report concludes with a quarterly topic.



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# **Quarterly Market Summary**



Index returns

	US Stock Market	International Developed Stocks	Emerging Markets Stocks	Global Real Estate	US Bond Market	Global Bond Market ex US		
Q4 2023		STO	CKS		ВС	BONDS		
	12.07%	10.51%	7.86%	15.47%	6.82%	5.36%		
Since Jan. 2001								
Average Quarterly Return	2.3%	1.6%	2.5%	2.3%	0.9%	0.9%		
Best	22.0%	25.9%	34.7%	32.3%	6.8%	5.4%		
Quarter	2020 Q2	2009 Q2	2009 Q2	2009 Q3	2023 Q4	2023 Q4		
Worst	-22.8%	-23.3%	-27.6%	-36.1%	-5.9%	-4.1%		
Quarter	2008 Q4	2020 Q1	2008 Q4	2008 Q4	2022 Q1	2022 Q1		

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# **Long-Term Market Summary**

Index returns as of December 31, 2023

	US Stock Market	International Developed Stocks	Emerging Markets Stocks	Global Real Estate	US Bond Market	Global Bond Market ex US
1 Year		STO	CKS		вог	NDS
	25.96%	17.94%	9.83%	10.23%	5.53%	8.32%
5 Years						
	15.16%	8.45%	3.68%	4.16%	1.10%	1.50%
10 Years						
	11.48%	4.32%	2.66%	4.72%	1.81%	2.80%

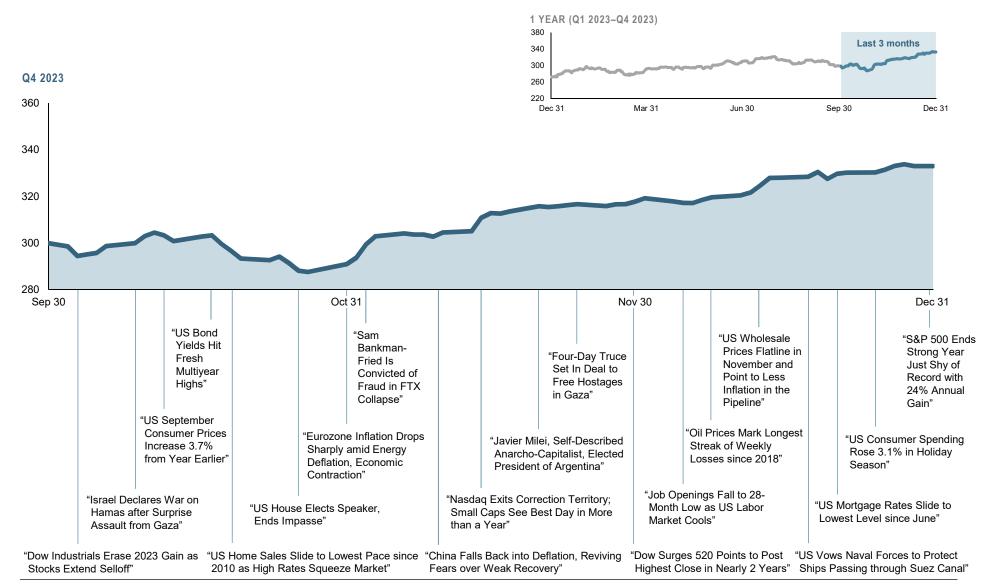
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## World Stock Market Performance

MSCI All Country World Index with selected headlines from Q4 2023

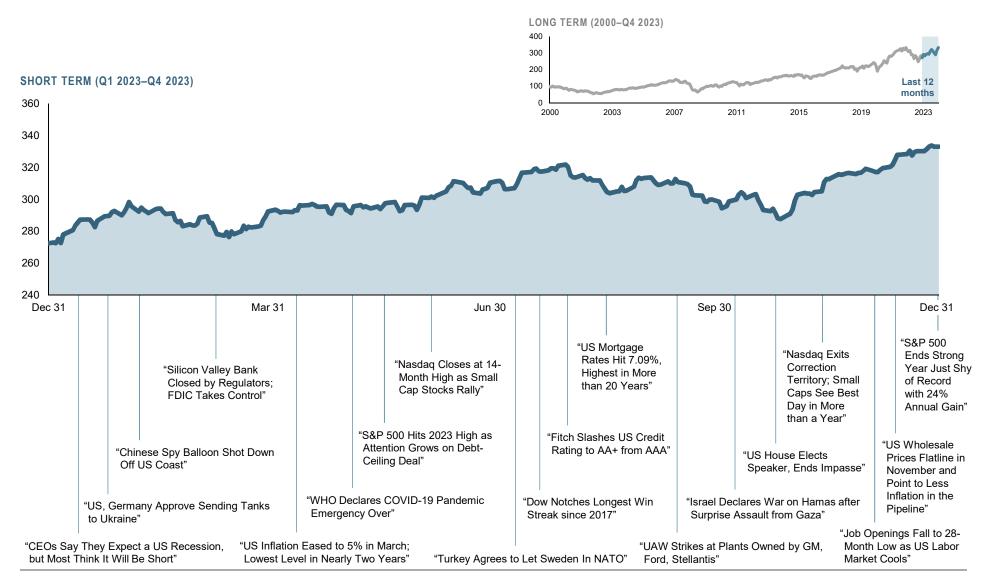


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## World Stock Market Performance

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



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# **US Stocks**

## Fourth quarter 2023 index returns

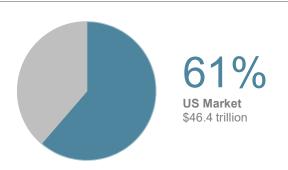
The US equity market posted positive returns for the quarter and outperformed both non-US developed and emerging markets.

Value underperformed growth within large caps and outperformed within small caps.

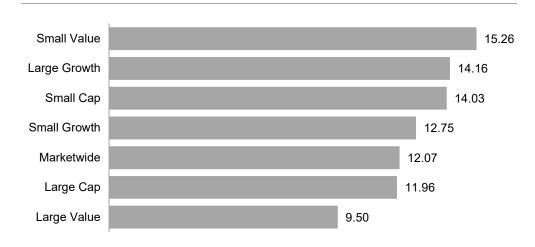
Small caps outperformed large caps.

REIT indices outperformed equity market indices.

#### **World Market Capitalization—US**



#### Ranked Returns (%)



#### Period Returns (%)

				Annualized	
Asset Class	QTR	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years
Small Value	15.26	14.65	7.94	10.00	6.76
Large Growth	14.16	42.68	8.86	19.50	14.86
Small Cap	14.03	16.93	2.22	9.97	7.16
Small Growth	12.75	18.66	-3.50	9.22	7.16
Marketwide	12.07	25.96	8.54	15.16	11.48
Large Cap	11.96	26.53	8.97	15.52	11.80
Large Value	9.50	11.46	8.86	10.91	8.40

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# **International Developed Stocks**



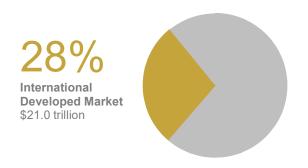


Developed markets outside of the US posted positive returns for the quarter and underperformed the US market, but outperformed emerging markets.

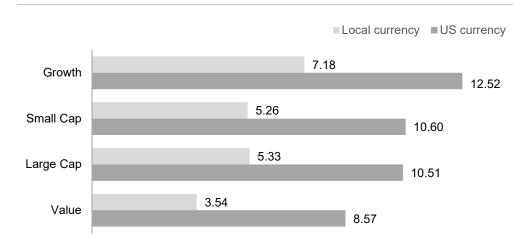
Value underperformed growth.

Small caps outperformed large caps.

#### **World Market Capitalization—International Developed**



#### Ranked Returns (%)



#### Period Returns (%)

				Annualized	
Asset Class	QTR	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years
Growth	12.52	17.45	0.44	8.94	5.08
Small Cap	10.60	12.62	-0.20	7.05	4.63
Large Cap	10.51	17.94	4.42	8.45	4.32
Value	8.57	18.48	8.19	7.48	3.29

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# **Emerging Markets Stocks**

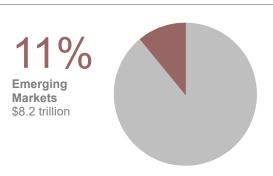
### Fourth quarter 2023 index returns

Emerging markets posted positive returns for the quarter and underperformed both US and non-US developed markets.

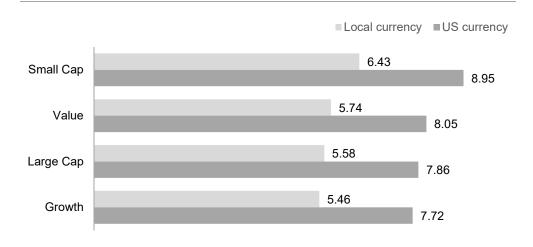
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#### **World Market Capitalization—Emerging Markets**



#### Ranked Returns (%)



#### Period Returns (%)

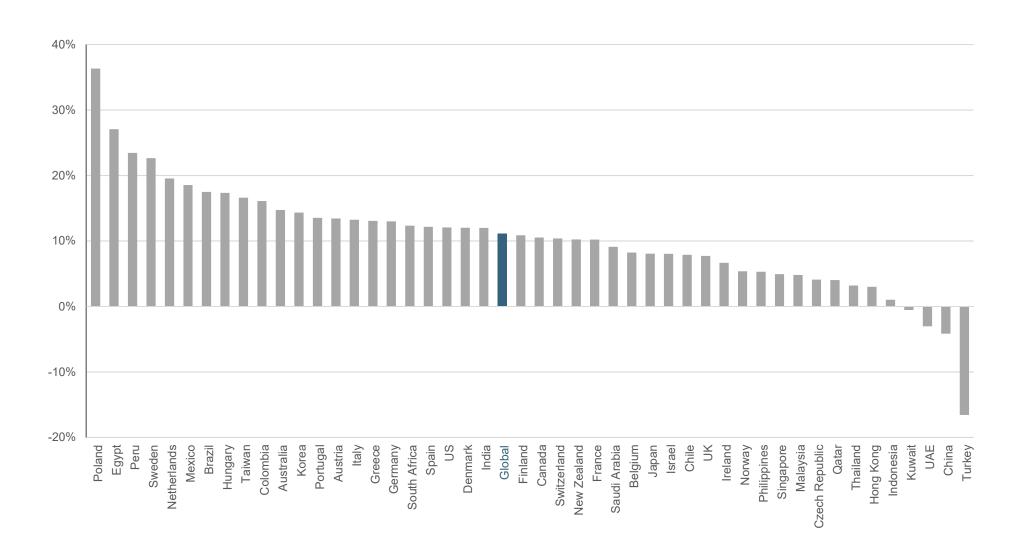
				Annualized	
Asset Class	QTR	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years
Small Cap	8.95	23.92	6.45	9.92	5.34
Value	8.05	14.21	-0.01	3.37	1.94
Large Cap	7.86	9.83	-5.08	3.68	2.66
Growth	7.72	5.83	-9.67	3.90	3.28

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# **Country Returns**

Fourth quarter 2023 index returns



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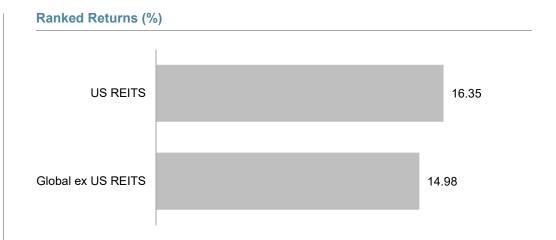
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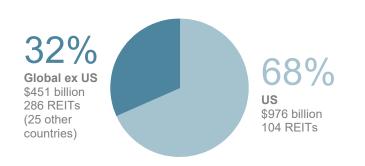


Fourth quarter 2023 index returns

US real estate investment trusts outperformed non-US REITs during the quarter.



#### **Total Value of REIT Stocks**



#### Period Returns (%)

			Annualized			
Asset Class	QTR	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years	
US REITS	16.35	13.96	7.18	6.12	7.00	
Global ex US REITS	14.98	5.59	-2.69	0.48	1.92	

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Number of REIT stocks and total value based on the two indices. All index returns are net of withholding tax on dividends. Total value of REIT stocks represented by Dow Jones US Select REIT Index and the S&P Global ex US REIT Index. Dow Jones US Select REIT Index used as proxy for the US market, and S&P Global ex US REIT Index used as proxy for the World ex US market. Dow Jones and S&P data © 2024 S&P Dow Jones Indices LLC, a division of S&P Global. All rights reserved.

# **Commodities**

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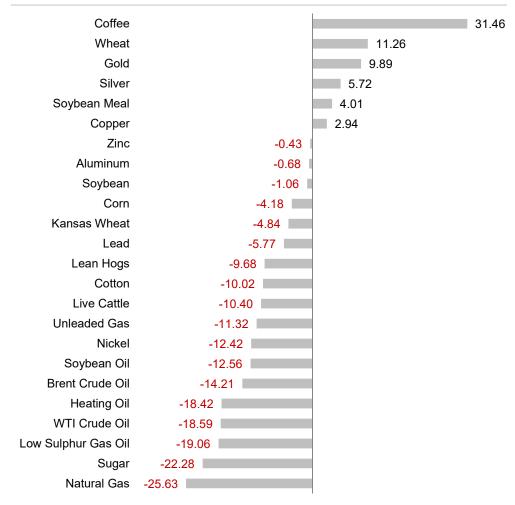
The Bloomberg Commodity Total Return Index returned -4.63% for the fourth quarter of 2023.

Natural Gas and Sugar were the worst performers, returning -25.63% and -22.28% during the quarter, respectively. Coffee and Wheat were the best performers, returning +31.46% and +11.26% during the quarter, respectively.

#### Period Returns (%)

			Annualized					
Asset Class	QTR	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years			
Commodities	-4.63	-7.91	10.76	7.23	-1.11			

#### Ranked Returns (%)





## **Fixed Income**

### Fourth quarter 2023 index returns

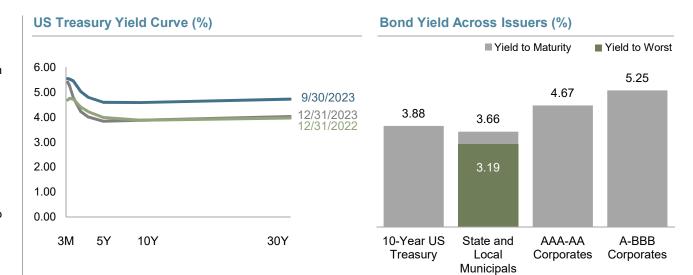
Interest rates generally decreased in the US Treasury market for the quarter.

On the short end of the yield curve, the 1-Month US Treasury Bill yield increased 5 basis points (bps) to 5.60%, while the 1-Year US Treasury Bill yield decreased 67 bps to 4.79%. The yield on the 2-Year US Treasury Note decreased 80 bps to 4.23%.

The yield on the 5-Year US Treasury Note decreased 76 bps to 3.84%. The yield on the 10-Year US Treasury Note decreased 71 bps to 3.88%. The yield on the 30-Year US Treasury Bond decreased 70 bps to 4.03%.

In terms of total returns, short-term US treasury bonds returned +3.21% while intermediate-term US treasury bonds returned +3.99%. Short-term corporate bonds returned +4.12% and intermediate-term corporate bonds returned +5.86%.1

The total returns for short- and intermediateterm municipal bonds were +3.53% and +6.53%, respectively. Within the municipal fixed income market, general obligation bonds returned +7.79% while revenue bonds returned +8.15%.<sup>2</sup>



#### **Period Returns (%)**

				Annualized	
Asset Class	QTR	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years
Bloomberg U.S. Government Bond Index Long	12.69	3.11	-11.35	-1.23	2.27
Bloomberg Municipal Bond Index	7.89	6.40	-0.40	2.25	3.03
Bloomberg U.S. High Yield Corporate Bond Index	7.16	13.44	1.98	5.37	4.60
Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index	6.82	5.53	-3.31	1.10	1.81
FTSE World Government Bond Index 1-5 Years	4.95	4.79	-2.95	-0.07	-0.44
Bloomberg U.S. TIPS Index	4.71	3.90	-1.00	3.15	2.42
FTSE World Government Bond Index 1-5 Years (hedged to USD)	3.09	5.26	-0.09	1.34	1.44
ICE BofA 1-Year US Treasury Note Index	1.79	4.74	1.18	1.66	1.18
ICE BofA US 3-Month Treasury Bill Index	1.37	5.01	2.15	1.88	1.25

<sup>1.</sup> Bloomberg US Treasury and US Corporate Bond Indices.

<sup>2.</sup> Bloomberg Municipal Bond Index.

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# Global Fixed Income

## Fourth quarter 2023 yield curves

Interest rates generally decreased across global developed markets for the quarter.

Realized term premiums were generally positive across global developed markets, as longer-term bonds generally outperformed shorter-term bonds.

In Japan, ultrashort-term nominal interest rates were negative. In the UK, Germany, Canada, and Australia, the short-term segment of the yield curve was inverted.

#### Changes in Yields (bps) since 09/30/2023

	1Y	5Y	10Y	20Y	30Y
US	-65.2	-76.9	-72.2	-70.3	-67.8
UK	-59.7	-93.9	-84.8	-72.8	-73.1
Germany	-52.7	-84.6	-76.3	-72.1	-74.9
Japan	3.9	-10.3	-13.3	-4.1	0.8
Canada	-58.0	-106.2	-90.0	-85.7	-80.5
Australia	-30.6	-48.0	-51.1	-53.2	-52.9

