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Equities

Equity markets rebounded from September. Large cap U.S. companies led the way. Stocks overcame an increasingly gloomy macroeconomic picture; the U.S. jobs report missed expectations for the second consecutive month and the Atlanta Fed's Q3 GDP forecast sunk to 0.2%, a steep decline from August's 6.3% projection. Measures of consumer confidence and manufacturing activity also continued along downward trends. Corporate earnings were strong, however, emboldening investors to "buy the dip" after September's sell-off and push global equity indexes higher in October.

Fixed Income

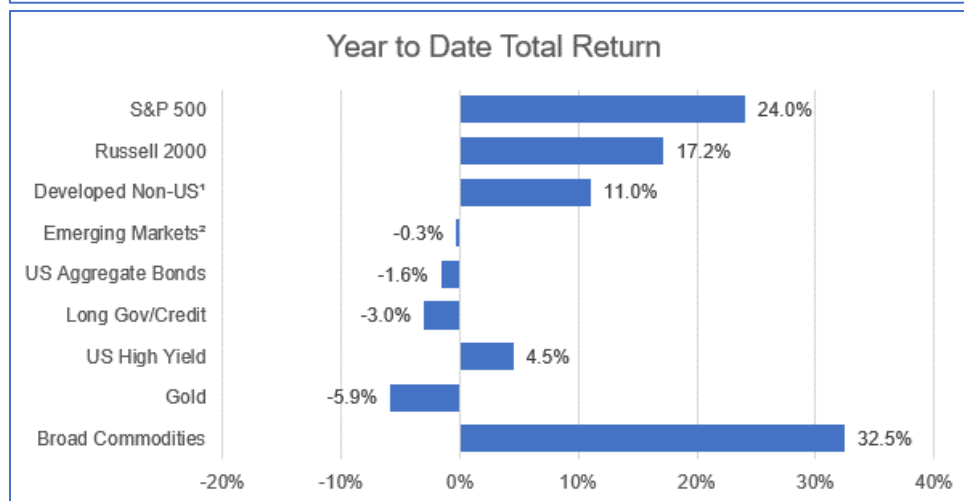
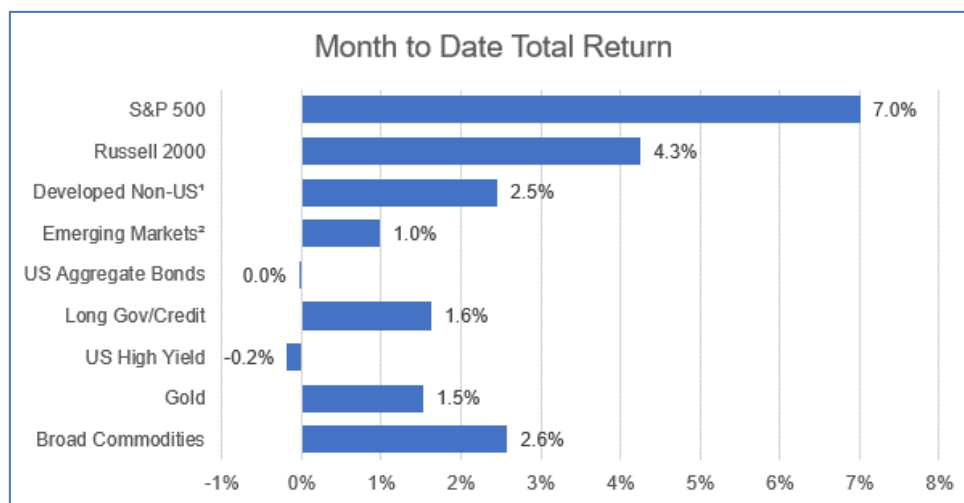
Treasury yields were mixed, and credit spreads widened, producing uneven returns for fixed income. Long bonds outperformed, as the 30-year Treasury yield fell 11 basis points for the month, while shorter dated yields rose modestly. High yield spreads shifted upward by 20 bps, producing negative returns for credit. Inflation concerns continue to weigh on investors, as September's CPI report remained at 5.4% annualized.

Commodities

Commodities gained in October with oil and gas leading the way. Concerns over possible global shortages for natural gas heading into winter have pushed prices higher across Europe with carryover into U.S. markets. Supply chain disruptions remain pervasive, and agricultural commodities, industrial metals, and gold all showed price gains for the month.

Market Trends

As of October 31, 2021



	1M	3M	YTD	1Y	3Y	5Y	10Y
S&P 500	7.0%	5.1%	24.0%	42.9%	21.5%	18.9%	16.2%
Russell 2000	4.3%	3.4%	17.2%	50.8%	16.5%	15.5%	13.5%
Developed Non-US ¹	2.5%	1.2%	11.0%	34.2%	11.5%	9.8%	7.4%
Emerging Markets ²	1.0%	-0.5%	-0.3%	17.0%	12.3%	9.4%	4.9%
US Aggregate Bonds	0.0%	-1.1%	-1.6%	-0.5%	5.6%	3.1%	3.0%
Long Gov/Credit	1.6%	-1.0%	-3.0%	0.2%	12.0%	6.2%	6.0%
US High Yield	-0.2%	0.4%	4.5%	10.7%	7.1%	6.3%	6.7%
Gold	1.5%	-1.8%	-5.9%	-5.1%	13.7%	7.0%	0.3%
Broad Commodities	2.6%	7.4%	32.5%	43.9%	8.6%	5.2%	-3.0%

1 - MSCI EAFE

2 - MSCI – EM

Source: Bloomberg

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