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# **Quarterly Market Update**

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# **Market Summary**



# Tumultuous 2020 Ended with More Hopeful Expectations

Despite the recent U.S. surge in COVID-19 cases, financial markets continued to recover from pandemic- and recession-related declines experienced in the first half of the year. The cyclical outlook for most economies is constructive amid maturing recoveries, supportive policies, and vaccine-assisted reopenings on the horizon. Lofty asset valuations, combined with policy and inflation uncertainty, may keep volatility elevated in 2021.

	MACRO	ASSET MARKETS
Q4 2020	<ul> <li>Global economic recovery continued, with some moderation amid rise in virus cases.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Big gains for riskier asset prices, including a shift toward reflationary leadership.</li> </ul>
OUTLOOK	<ul> <li>Most major countries' recoveries should broaden into expansions as vaccine-related full reopening occurs.</li> <li>Near-term headwinds from the recent spike in virus cases are unlikely to cause a double-dip recession.</li> <li>China's economy remains a bit ahead of the rest of the world, underpinned by strength in global manufacturing activity.</li> <li>Monetary policy remains extraordinarily supportive of liquidity and financial conditions.</li> <li>Fiscal policy is likely to become even more stimulative and supportive of inflation.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Policy decisions and their impact on real interest rates are likely to have an increasingly large influence on asset returns.</li> <li>Buoyant asset valuations reflect positive expectations built into asset prices.</li> <li>Market volatility may return as expectations adjust to the post-pandemic landscape.</li> <li>Potential shifts in long-term trends, including the possibility of a more inflationary backdrop, also loom.</li> <li>Cyclical outlook remains constructive, but portfolio diversification is as important as ever.</li> </ul>



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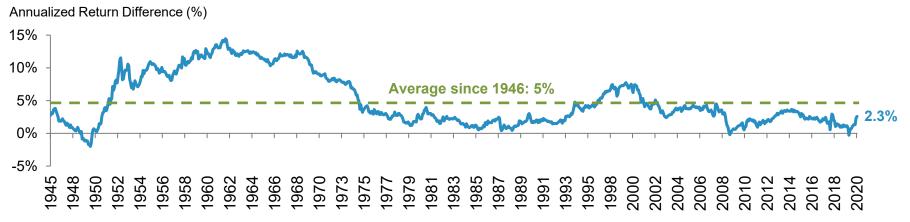


# Q4 Stock Rally Accentuated Strong Year for Asset Returns

A reflation rally powered riskier assets to strong gains in Q4, with small cap and non-U.S. equities leading the way. For the year, the sharp second-half recovery led to above-average, double-digit returns for U.S. and emerging-market stocks. Safer assets also prospered, as gold and long-duration bonds benefited from monetary stimulus and a drop in real yields, and all bond categories generated solid returns.

	Q4 2020 (%)	1 Year (%)		Q4 2020 (%)	1 Year (%)
Gold	0.7	25.1	U.S. Corporate Bonds	2.8	9.4
U.S. Small Cap Stocks	31.4	20.0	Non-U.S. Developed-Country Stocks	16.0	7.8
U.S. Large Cap Stocks	12.1	18.4	Investment Grade Bonds	0.7	7.5
Emerging-Market Stocks	19.7	18.3	High Yield Bonds	6.5	6.2
U.S. Mid Cap Stocks	19.9	17.1	Emerging-Market Bonds	5.5	5.9
Long Government & Credit Bonds	1.7	16.1	Commodities	10.2	-3.1
Non-U.S. Small Cap Stocks	17.3	12.3	Real Estate Stocks	11.6	-8.0

## 20-Year U.S. Stock Returns Minus IG Bond Returns since 1946



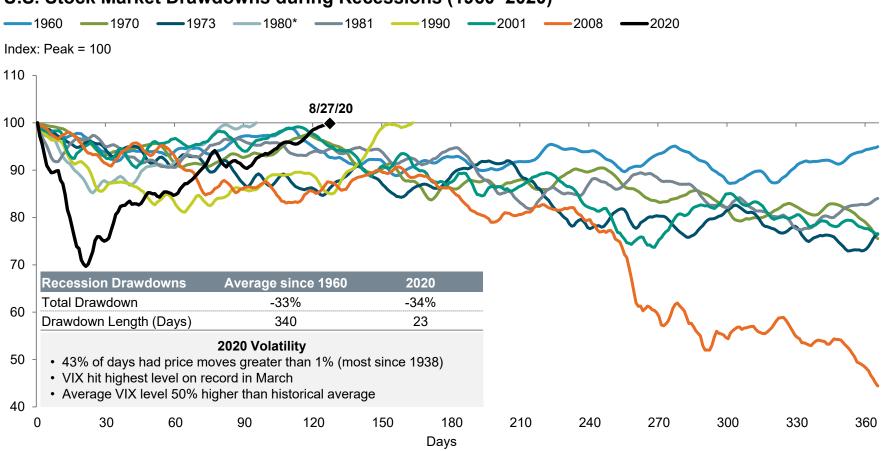
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5 & Credit Index. Source: Bloomberg Finance L.P., Haver Analytics, Fidelity Investments Asset Allocation Research Team (AART), as of 12/31/20.



# Historic Market Volatility in 2020

By several measures, U.S. stock prices experienced one of the most volatile years in history. Compared with other recessionary sell-offs in recent decades, 2020 marked the swiftest drop as well as the quickest, sharpest bounce back to prior peak. The entire year was characterized by large, frequent daily price swings in both directions, and implied volatility remained elevated throughout.



U.S. Stock Market Drawdowns during Recessions (1960–2020)

\* Since the 1973 peak is not regained until after the 1980 recession, the 1980 line starts at its near-term high on 2/20/80. Index: S&P 500<sup>®</sup>. Lines represent a 5-day moving average, table uses daily values, and 1973 recession not included in average for return to peak. All indexes are unmanaged. You cannot invest directly in an index. **Past performance is no guarantee of future results**. Source: Standard & Poor's, Bloomberg Finance L.P.,



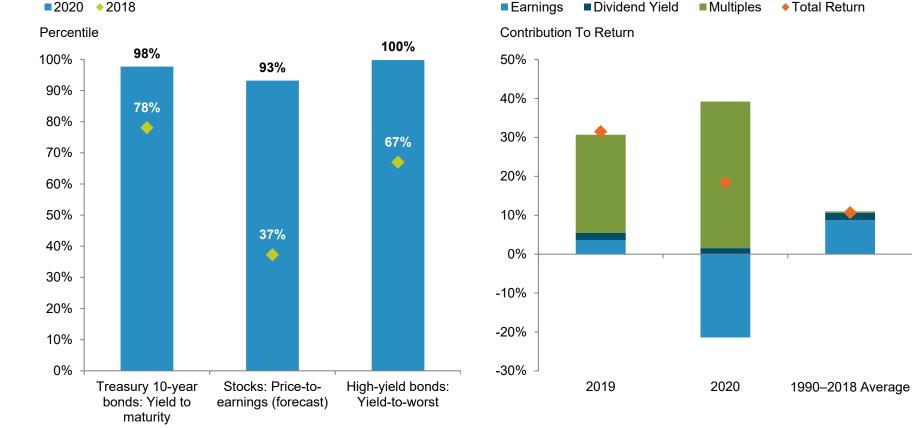
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6 Fidelity Investments (AART), as of 12/31/20.

# Lofty U.S. Asset Valuations Reflect High Expectations

A bullish reversal in market sentiment in the second half of 2020, combined with easy monetary policies, catalyzed a sizable rise in asset valuations across most major categories. These valuations—from high priceto-earnings (P/E) ratios for stocks to low Treasury bond yields—are among the most extreme on record. After two straight years of valuation-driven stock rallies, a strong earnings recovery could be critical to the outlook.

**Decomposition of S&P 500 Total Return** 



## Valuations of U.S. Assets (1989–2020)

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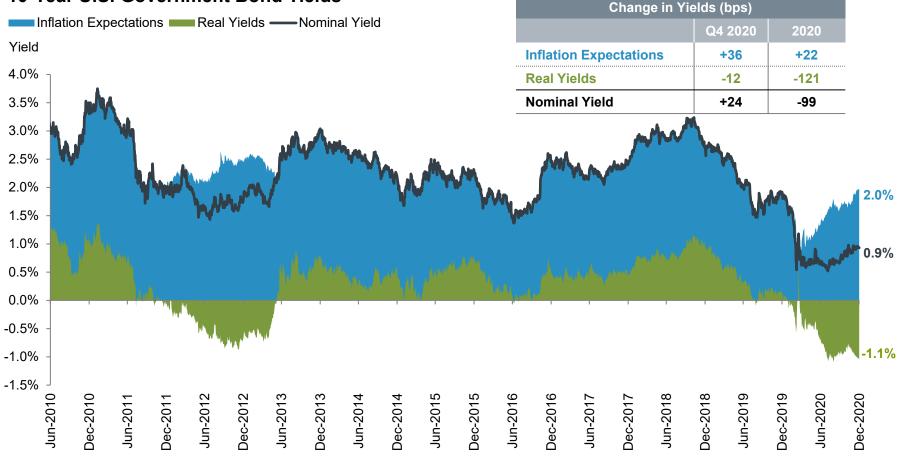
LEFT: Stocks are S&P 500 Index; High-yield bonds are Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Corporate High Yield Index. Source: Bloomberg, FactSet, Fidelity Investments (AART) as of Dec 31, 2020. RIGHT: Source: Standard & Poor's, Haver Analytics, Fidelity Investments (AART) as of 12/31/20.



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# Bond Yields Ticked Up but Remained Near Record Lows

U.S. 10-year Treasury yields rose about 20 basis points during Q4 but remained roughly one percentage point lower versus 2020's start. Inflation expectations continued to recover and finished at their highest levels of 2020. The real cost of borrowing remained deeply negative, although the most negative real yields in U.S. history occurred during periods of monetary accommodation and higher inflation in the late 1940s and the mid-1970s.



## **10-Year U.S. Government Bond Yields**



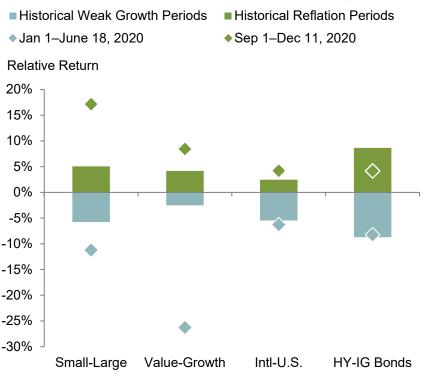
# **Reflation Performance Consistent with Real Yield Patterns**

We can classify historical relative return patterns into regimes based on the movement and drivers of real bond yields. Positive vaccine developments and expectations for economic reopening in 2021 generated a "reflation" regime that put upward pressure on yields during the final months of 2020. This reflation dynamic reversed prior asset patterns, with small cap, value, and international stocks spearheading market gains.

#### Rising inflation Weak growth Disinflation\* Real Yields Reflation Yield % of Days (21-Day Rolling) 60% 0.75% 0.50% 50% 0.25% 40% 0.00% -0.25% 30% -0.50% 20% -0.75% 10% -1.00% 0% -1.25% 01/26/20 02/15/20 03/06/20 03/26/20 04/15/20 05/05/20 05/25/20 06/14/20 07/04/20 08/13/20 1/21/20 07/24/20 09/22/20 10/12/20 1/01/20 2/31/20 01/06/20

**Real Yield Regimes in 2020** 

## Relative Performance in Real Yield Regimes



**LEFT:** \* Disinflation not observed this period. Shaded areas represent regimes with respect to the direction of real rates. Regimes determined by dominating factor between the change in 10-Year Treasury bond yields and 10-Year breakeven rates as implied by Treasury Inflation Protected Securities. Source: Bloomberg Financial L.P., Fidelity Investments (AART), as of 12/31/20. **RIGHT:** Intl: Global Equities ex U.S. HY: High Yield. IG: Investment Grade. Historical period returns 1950–2019 annualized. Source: Bloomberg Financial L.P., Fidelity Investments (AART), as of 12/31/20.



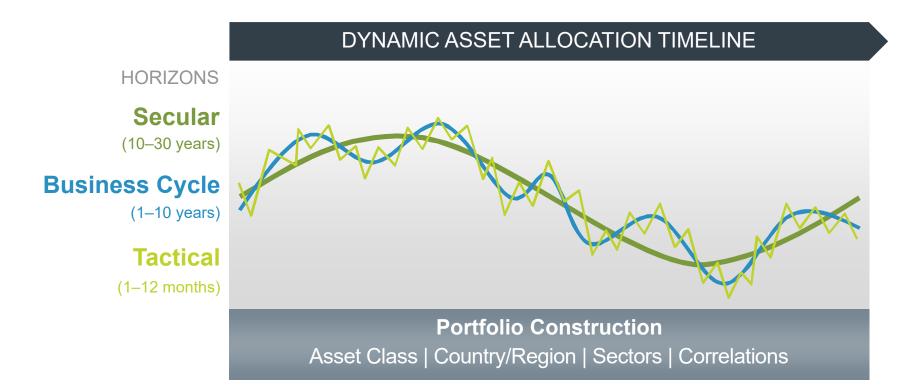
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**Economy/Macro Backdrop** 



# Multi-Time-Horizon Asset Allocation Framework

Fidelity's Asset Allocation Research Team (AART) believes that asset-price fluctuations are driven by a confluence of various factors that evolve over different time horizons. As a result, we employ a framework that analyzes trends among three temporal segments: tactical (short term), business cycle (medium term), and secular (long term).





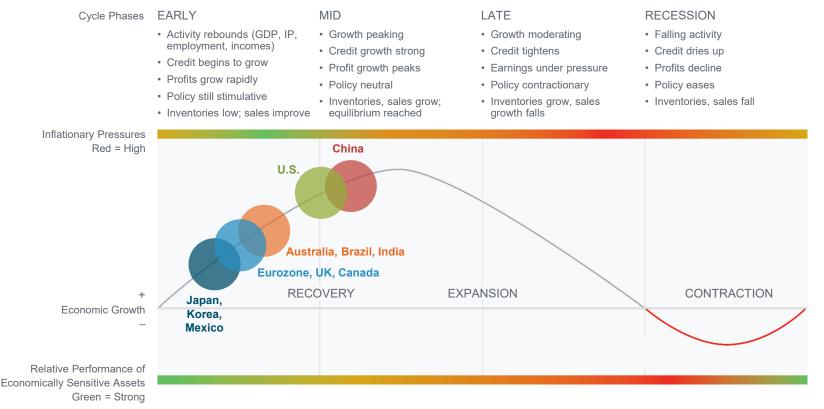
**11** For illustrative purposes only. Source: Fidelity Investments (AART), as of 12/31/20.

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# Global Business Cycle in a Maturing Recovery

The U.S. and most major economies enter 2021 in maturing recoveries. Some face near-term, virus-related headwinds, whereas China's progression is advanced due partly to its quicker emergence from lockdowns. Activity remains below 2019 levels in most countries, but the prospect of a vaccine-assisted full reopening over the coming year has us constructive on continued broadening of the global economic expansion.

## **Business Cycle Framework**



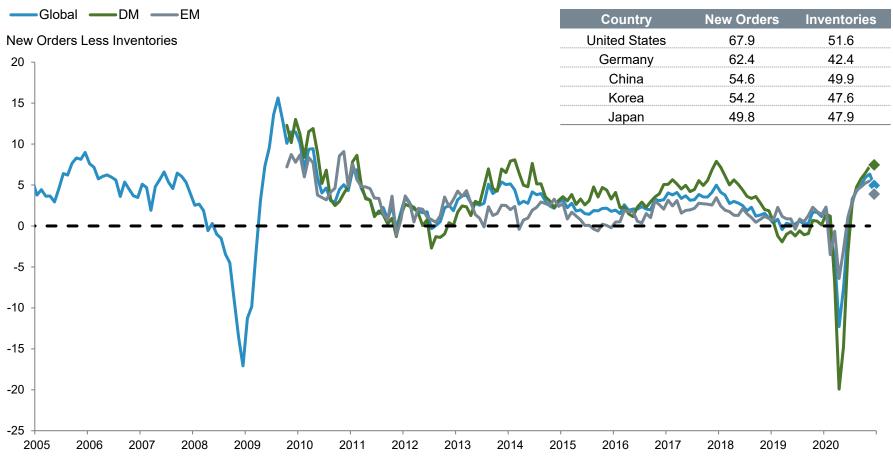
Note: The diagram above is a hypothetical illustration of the business cycle. There is not always a chronological, linear progression among the phases of the business cycle, and there have been cycles when the economy has skipped a phase or retraced an earlier one. Source: Fidelity **12** Investments (AART), as of 12/31/20.



# Synchronized Global Rebound in Manufacturing

Healthy levels of manufacturing bullwhips—leading indicators that measure the gap between the demand from new orders and the supply from existing inventories—point to an ongoing rebound in global industrial activity. The manufacturing recovery has been broad-based and unusually rapid across regions, due partly to increased demand for household and technology goods as virus-related restrictions curbed mobility.

## **Global Manufacturing Bullwhips**



PMI: Purchasing Managers Index. New orders and inventories are sourced from country level PMIs. **Graph:** Source: ISM, HIS Markit, Haver Analytics, **13** Fidelity Investments (AART), as of 12/31/20. **TABLE:** Source: Caixin, ISM, IHS Markit, Haver Analytics, Fidelity Investments (AART), as of 12/31/20.

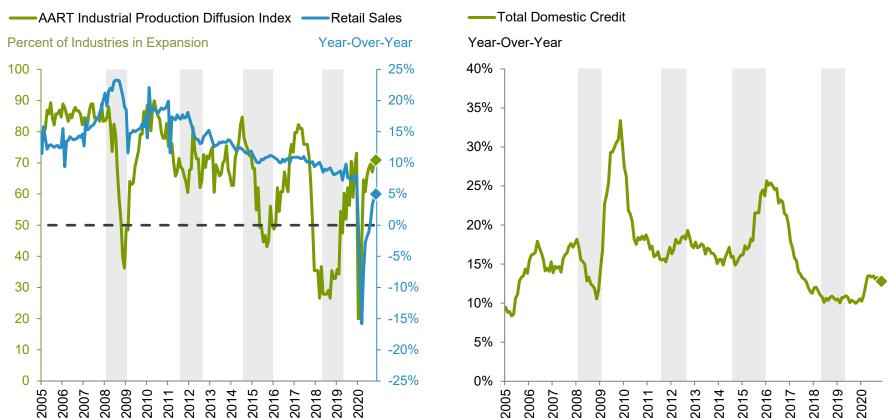


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# Consumption to Drive China's Growth in 2021

China has managed an impressive industrial-led recovery following the outbreak of COVID-19, but the rate of overall economic improvement is likely to moderate as the expansion matures. Consumption continues to show signs of improvement and, in our view, will likely be the incremental driver of growth in 2021. Policy is becoming less supportive, with credit growth peaking and monetary policy shifting toward a neutral stance.

**China Credit Growth** 



## **China Industrial Production and Retail Sales**

Grey bars represent China growth recessions as defined by AART. **LEFT**: Source: People's Bank of China, Haver Analytics, Fidelity Investments (AART), as of 11/30/20. Source: Markit, Haver Analytics, Fidelity Investments (AART). **RIGHT**: AART Industrial Production Diffusion Index is a proprietary index based on industrial production data. Source: China National Bureau of Statistics, Haver Analytics, Fidelity Investments (AART), as of 11/30/20.



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# New Virus Cases, but Europe Shows Signs of Resilience

**Newly Reported COVID-19 Cases** 

Europe implemented varying degrees of lockdowns during Q4 amid the spike in COVID-19 cases. Subsequent new-case levels dropped and have remained far below those observed in the United States. The negative effects on economic activity have lately been less severe than they were during the spring, and major drivers of business cycle momentum, such as business confidence and manufacturing, have remained resilient.

#### -U.S. - Major European Countries ----Offline Retail Activity ----Germany IFO Business Climate Index Year-Over-Year Cases (Thousands) Index (2015 = 100)20% 250 100 0% 95 200 -20% 90 150 -40% 85 100 -60% 80 50 -80% 75 -100% 0 70 Jun-2020 Jul-2020 -Mar-2020 Apr-2020 Jun-2020 Jul-2020 Aug-2020 Sep-2020 Feb-2020 **Mar-2020** Apr-2020 May-2020 Aug-2020 Jan-2020 Oct-2020 Vov-2020 Dec-2020 Sep-2020 Oct-2020 Nov-2020 Dec-2020 Feb-2020 May-2020

LEFT: Seven-day moving average of newly reported COVID-19 cases. Major European countries include France, Germany, Spain, Italy, Ireland, and the UK. Source: WHO, Bloomberg finance, L.P., Fidelity Investments (AART), as of 12/31/20. RIGHT: Offline retail activity reflects high-frequency foot traffic and retail sales in Ireland, France, and the UK. Source: ShopperTrak, Bloomberg Finance, L.P., Ifo-Institut fur Wirtschaftsforschung, Haver
 15 Analytics, Fidelity Investments (AART), as of 12/21/20.

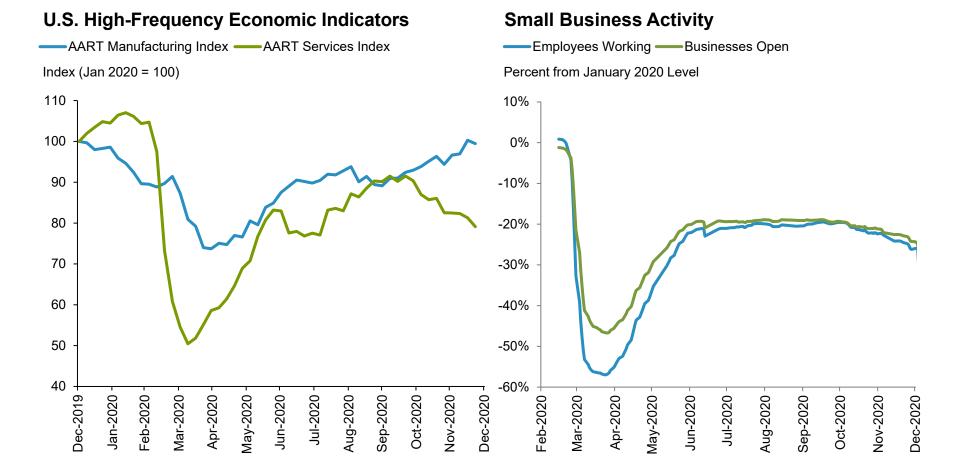




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# U.S. Near-Term Activity Lull Due to Virus Outbreak

Versus most past recessions, manufacturing activity in the U.S. declined less and recovered faster than did services activity. The recent surge in new COVID-19 cases suggests that services industries and small businesses hit hardest by virus-related restrictions may continue to lose momentum over the rest of winter, leaving them far below normal activity levels but still well above the troughs experienced in the spring of 2020.



LEFT: AART Services and Manufacturing Indices are proprietary indices based on high-frequency data from multiple and variable sources. Source: Haver Analytics, Fidelity Investments (AART), as of 12/23/20. RIGHT: Five-day moving average. Data immediately following Memorial Day, the Fourth
 of July, Labor Day, Thanksgiving, and Christmas are not displayed. Source: Homebase, Haver Analytics, Fidelity Investments (AART), as of 12/21/20.



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# U.S. Asset Rally, Stimulus, and Savings Provide a Cushion

In aggregate, U.S. consumers are better situated to weather the near-term economic lull, making a double-dip recession unlikely, in our view. The broad-based rise in prices for financial assets and housing boosted U.S. household net worth by more than 10% from March to September of 2020. Consumers accumulated more than \$1.4 trillion of excess savings during 2020 due to reduced spending plus income gains from fiscal stimulus.

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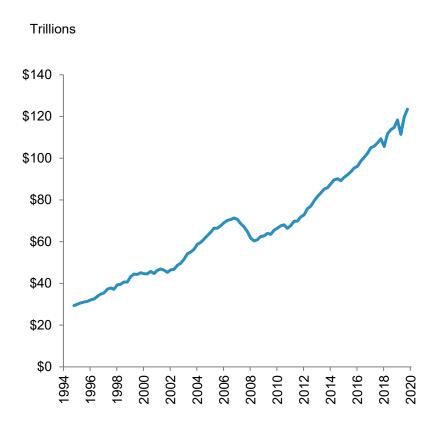
\$600

\$400

\$200

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## **Household Net Worth**



# Billions Savings Rate \$1,600 Apr-Nov 2020 19% \$1,400 \$1,200 \$746

\$674

Excess Personal Savings (2020)

LEFT: Households and nonprofit organizations. Source: Federal Reserve Board, Haver Analytics, Fidelity Investments (AART), as of 11/30/20.
 17 RIGHT: Bureau of Economic Analysis, Haver Analytics, Fidelity Investments (AART), as of 11/30/20.



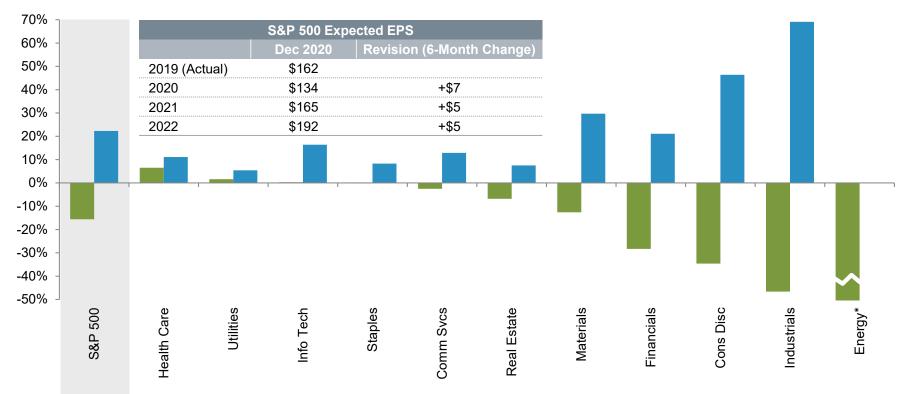
# Earnings Revised Higher as Market Expects Sharp Recovery

After 2020's steep earnings decline, investors expect profits in the hardest-hit sectors to rebound sharply and the overall market to fully reclaim its pre-pandemic earnings levels by the end of 2021. Earnings estimates were revised higher during the second half of 2020, helped by vaccine-related optimism. If earnings meet expectations, we could see a significantly faster recovery versus past recessions.

## Market Expectations for Earnings Growth by Sector

#### 2020 2021

Year-Over-Year



\* Energy is expected to have negative earnings in 2020, which makes growth numbers non-numeric. EPS: Earnings per share.
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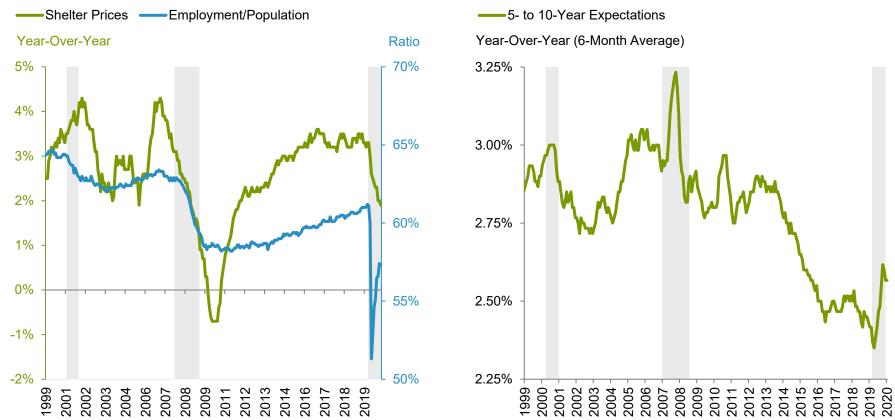
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# Wages and Shelter Key to Near-Term Inflation Outlook

Headline CPI halved to 1% by year-end, primarily from weak demand and the deceleration in shelter prices. Labor market slack remains high, with the employment-to-population ratio improved but still near its lowest point in more than three decades. Weak growth in wages and rents likely will keep inflation subdued in the near term, but a reopening boost may help sustain the 2020 rise in long-run consumer inflation expectations.

**Consumer Inflation Expectations** 

## Labor Market vs. Inflation



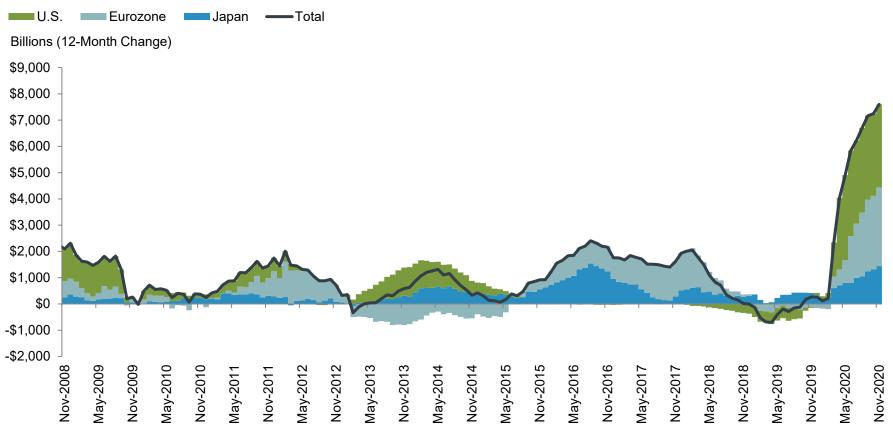
**LEFT:** Shelter Prices are a component of the Consumer Price Index. Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, Haver Analytics, Fidelity Investments **19** (AART), as of 11/30/20. **RIGHT:** Source: University of Michigan, Haver Analytics, Fidelity Investments (AART), as of 11/30/20.



# Monetary Accommodation Still Supportive of Asset Prices

Over the course of 2020, global central banks injected nearly \$8 trillion of liquidity into financial markets. Most of the easing came in the form of QE, helping support asset prices. The pace of balance-sheet expansion has lately been less forceful than it was at the beginning of the pandemic, but the Federal Reserve's monthly asset purchases of \$120 billion and its commitment to keep rates low continue to support asset-market liquidity.

## **Central Bank Balance Sheets**



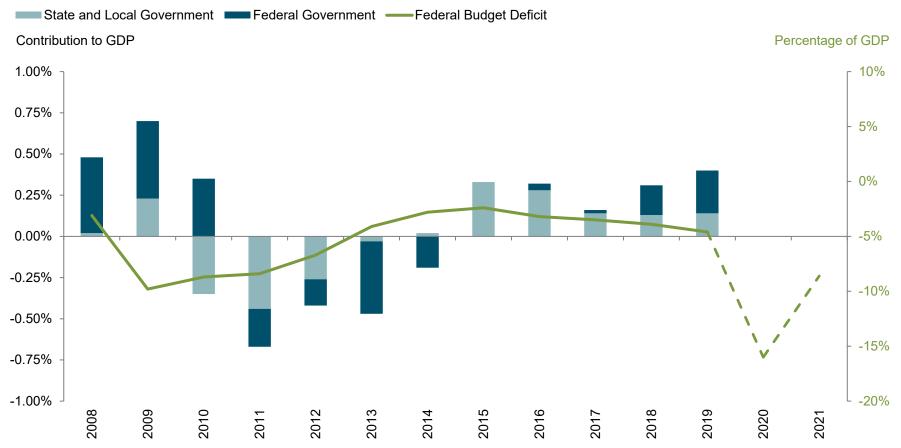
QE: Quantitative Easing. Source: Federal Reserve, Bank of Japan, European Central Bank, Haver Analytics, Fidelity Investments (AART),



# More Fiscal Stimulus Approved, More May Be on the Way

At the end of 2020, the U.S. government approved roughly \$900 billion of additional emergency fiscal stimulus, providing important support to counter pandemic-limited economic activity. Absent additional support, the very large 2020 fiscal deficit is projected to tighten during 2021. Coupled with severe budget shortfalls among state and local governments, ongoing federal support may be needed to avoid a fiscal drag on the economy.

## **U.S. Federal Fiscal Deficit and Government Impact on GDP**



GFC: The great financial crisis of 2007–2008. GDP: Gross domestic product. Source: Congressional Budge Office (CBO), Bureau of Economic Analysis, **21** Haver Analytics, Fidelity Investments (AART); as of 12/31/20. 2020 and 2021 Budget Deficits are CBO projections.



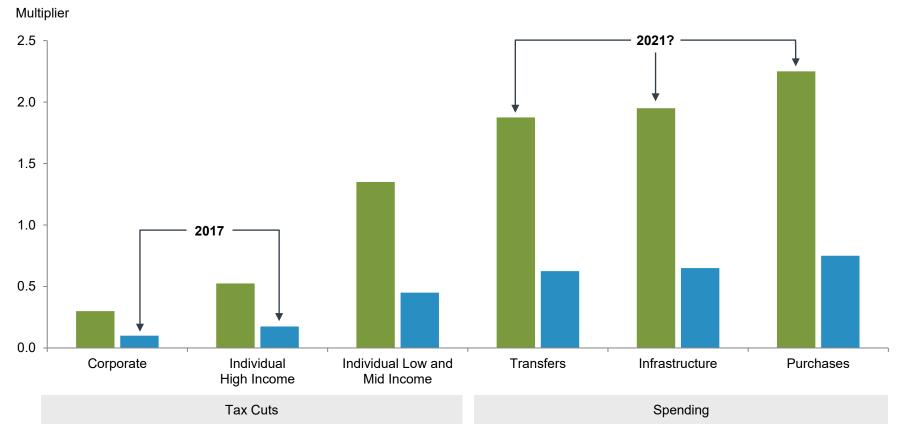
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# High-Multiplier Spending May Be on the Horizon

In winning control of the federal government, Democrats may be inclined and able to raise high-multiplier government spending. Fiscal multipliers—estimates of the increase in economic activity generated by fiscal stimulus—tend to be stronger during periods of easy monetary policy and economic weakness. High-multiplier spending may also be more inflationary, and Democratic plans may include higher corporate taxes.

## **Fiscal Multipliers by Policy Category and Economic Conditions**

Unused Capacity (Fed Easy) Full Capacity (Fed Typical)

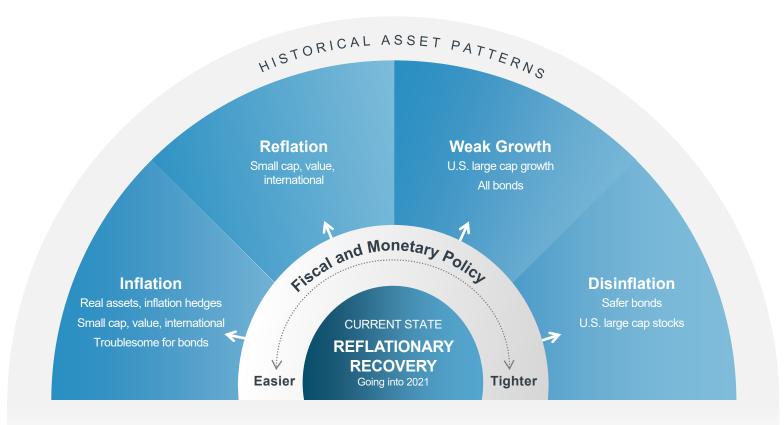


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# Policy and Inflation Direction Critical to 2021 Outlook

Markets enter 2021 with a reflationary recovery dynamic. As economic reopening occurs, patterns may be influenced by the trajectories of policy, inflation, and real interest rates. More accommodative monetary and fiscal policies could generate inflationary pressure, whereas a move toward policy normalization could result in a growth disappointment. We expect the potential for elevated volatility in 2021.



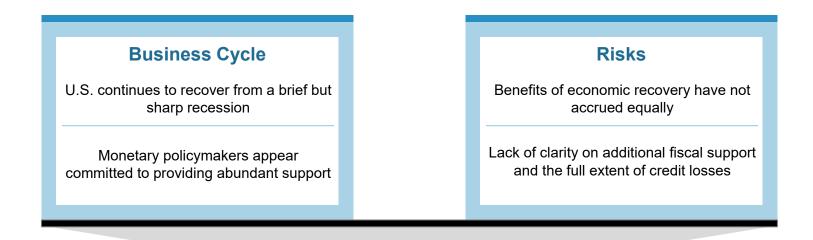


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## **Outlook: Market Assessment**

Fidelity's Business Cycle Board, composed of portfolio managers responsible for a variety of global asset allocation strategies, is constructive on the global economic outlook for 2021. Board members hold a wide range of views but collectively tend to believe that, after a strong run of market performance, active opportunities may be greater in security selection and within asset classes than among broad asset classes.



## **Asset Allocation Implications**

Emphasize focus on diversified and disciplined investment strategies

High valuations imply more attractive intra-asset class tilts and more selective inter-asset class positions

Opportunities include non-U.S. assets, U.S. small cap and value equities, TIPS, gold, and high-yield bonds  $\bigcirc$ 

# **Asset Markets**



## Continued Broad-Based Recovery across Asset Categories

Almost all asset categories posted positive returns for Q4, with leadership shifting toward small cap and value stocks, non-U.S. markets, and sectors such as energy and financials. Even so, large cap U.S. growth, including tech stocks, still finished atop the 2020 leaderboard. Riskier fixed income credit segments such as high yield and EM debt maintained their strong rally in Q4, but long-duration bonds and TIPS were ahead for 2020 overall.

## **U.S. Equity Styles Total Return**

	Q4	2020
Growth	12.4%	38.3%
Small Caps	31.4%	20.0%
Large Caps	12.1%	18.4%
Mid Caps	19.9%	17.1%
Value	17.2%	2.9%

## U.S. Equity Sectors Total Return

	Q4	2020
Info Tech	11.8%	43.9%
Consumer Discretionary	8.0%	33.3%
Communication Services	13.8%	23.6%
Materials	14.5%	20.7%
Health Care	8.0%	13.4%
Industrials	15.7%	11.1%
Consumer Staples	6.4%	10.7%
Utilities	6.6%	0.5%
Financials	23.2%	-1.8%
Real Estate	4.9%	-2.2%
Energy	27.8%	-33.7%

# International Equities and Global Assets Total Return

	Q4	2020
ACWI ex USA	17.0%	10.7%
Japan	15.3%	14.5%
EAFE Small Cap	17.3%	12.3%
EAFE	16.0%	7.8%
Europe	15.6%	5.4%
Canada	13.9%	5.3%
EM Asia	18.9%	28.4%
Emerging Markets	19.7%	18.3%
EMEA	16.3%	-6.9%
Latin America	34.8%	-13.8%
Gold	0.7%	25.1%
Commodities	10.2%	-3.1%

## **U.S. Equity Factors Total Return**

	Q4	2020
Momentum	9.9%	22.0%
Quality	10.7%	16.5%
Low Volatility	8.6%	12.7%
Size	21.8%	9.2%
Value	14.3%	9.2%
Yield	16.7%	3.1%

EM: Emerging Markets. EMEA: Europe, the Middle East, and Africa. For indexes and other important information used to represent above asset categories, see Appendix. Past performance is no guarantee of future results. It is not possible to invest directly in an index. All indexes are unmanaged. Sector returns represented by S&P 500 sectors. Sector investing involves risk. Because of its narrow focus, sector investing may be
 more volatile than investing in more diversified baskets of securities. Source: Bloomberg Finance L.P., Fidelity Investments (AART), as of 12/31/20.

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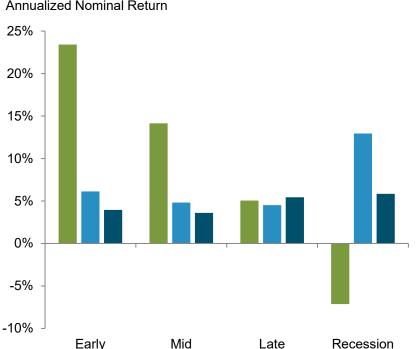
## **Fixed Income Total Return**

	Q4	2020
Long Govt & Credit	1.7%	16.1%
TIPS	1.6%	11.0%
Credit	2.8%	9.4%
CMBS	1.0%	8.1%
Treasuries	-0.8%	8.0%
Aggregate	0.7%	7.5%
High Yield	6.5%	6.2%
EM Debt	5.5%	5.9%
Agency	0.0%	5.5%
Municipal	1.8%	5.2%
ABS	0.4%	4.5%
MBS	0.2%	3.9%
Leveraged Loan	3.8%	3.1%

# Business Cycle Important, but Dissipates in the Long Run

The business cycle can be a critical determinant of asset performance over the intermediate term. Stocks have consistently performed better earlier in the cycle, whereas bonds tend to outperform during recession. While we believe a business cycle approach to actively managed asset allocation can add value, portfolio returns are expected to even out over the long term (>10 years), regardless of the starting point of the cycle phase.

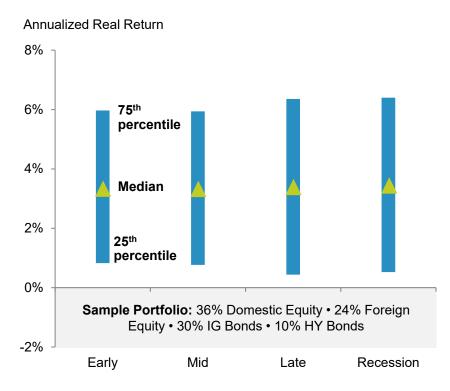
## Asset Class Performance by Cycle Phase (1950 - 2020)



#### ■U.S. Stocks ■IG Bonds ■Cash

Annualized Nominal Return

## **10-Year Portfolio Return Distribution by Cycle Phase Starting Point**



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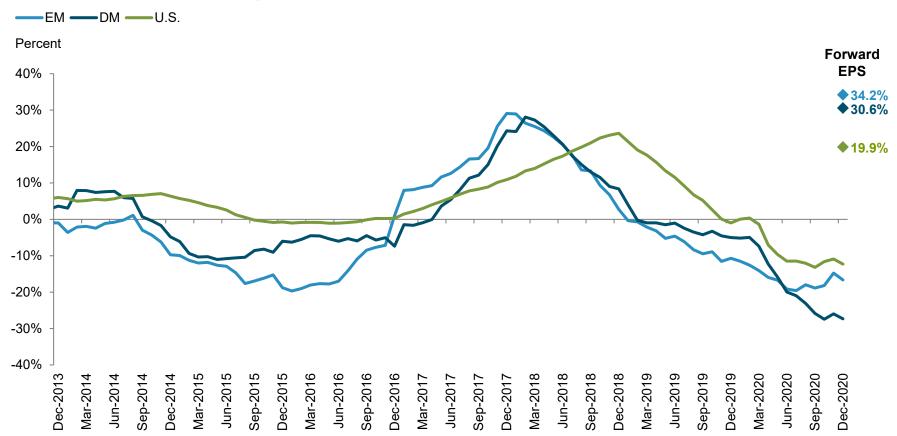
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# Expectations of a Strong Global Earnings Growth Rebound

Trailing earnings remained in negative territory, with all major regions ending the year with double-digit declines. Forward expectations continued to improve, indicating hope that earnings will rebound sharply over the next 12 months, with double-digit growth rates in all regions, led by emerging markets.



## Global EPS Growth (Trailing 12 Months)

Past performance is no guarantee of future results. DM: Developed Markets. EM: Emerging Markets. EPS: Earnings per share. Forward EPS: 28 Next 12 months expectations. Source: MSCI, Bloomberg Finance L.P., Fidelity Investments (AART), as of 12/31/20.



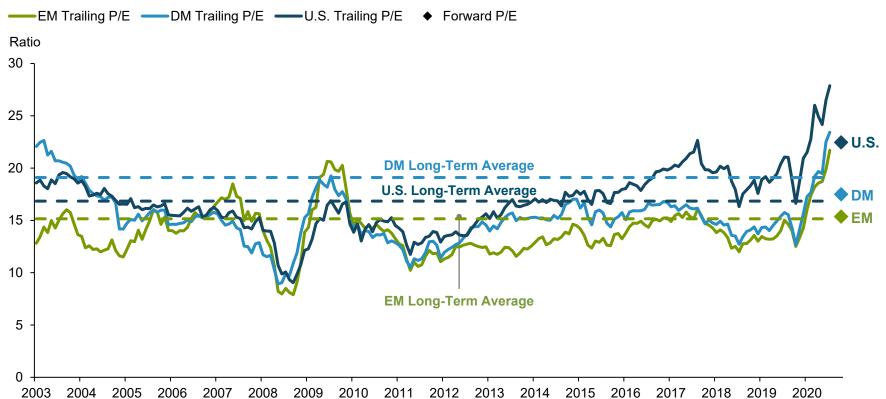
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# Equity Valuations Became Even More Elevated

With stock prices rising and earnings still cyclically depressed, equity valuations rose to multi-decade highs. Price-to-earnings ratios across all major global regions finished the year well above their long-term historical valuation averages. Forward-looking P/E ratios indicate expectations for the U.S. to remain above its long-term historical average while non-U.S. developed and emerging markets move back closer to theirs.

## **Global Stock Market P/E Ratios**



DM: Non-U.S. Developed Markets. EM: Emerging Markets. Past performance is no guarantee of future results. It is not possible to invest directly in an index. All indexes are unmanaged. See Appendix for important index information. Price-to-earnings ratio (P/E): stock price divided by earnings per share. Also known as the multiple, P/E gives investors an idea of how much they are paying for a company's earnings power. Long-term average P/E for Emerging Markets includes data for 1988–2017; for Non-U.S. Developed Markets, 1973–2016; for the United States, 1926–2017. Indexes: DM—
 MSCI EAFE Index; EM—MSCI EM Index; United States—S&P 500. Source: Bloomberg Finance L.P., Fidelity Investments (AART), as of 12/31/20.



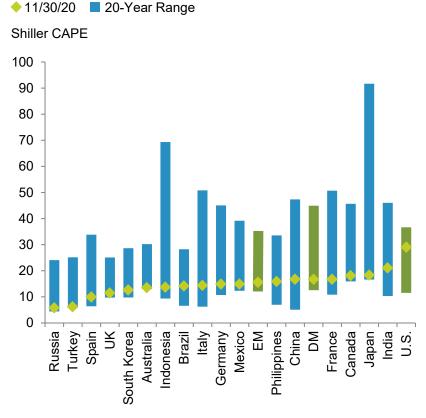
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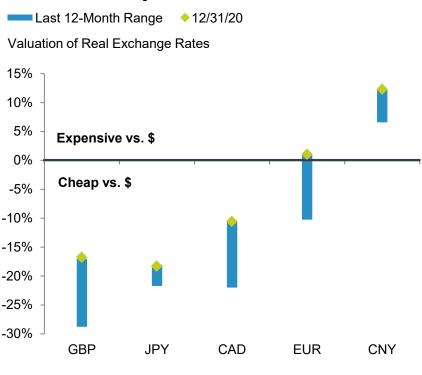
# Dollar Dropped, but Non-U.S. Currencies Still Attractive

Cyclically adjusted P/E (CAPE) ratios for non-U.S. equities remained below U.S. valuations, indicating an attractive long-term backdrop for non-U.S. stocks. The U.S. dollar experienced a broad-based decline in 2020, and other primary currencies such as the euro and Japanese yen ended at the upper bound of their 12-month ranges. The dollar, however, still appears relatively expensive against most major currencies.

## **Cyclically Adjusted P/Es**



## Valuation of Major Currencies vs. USD



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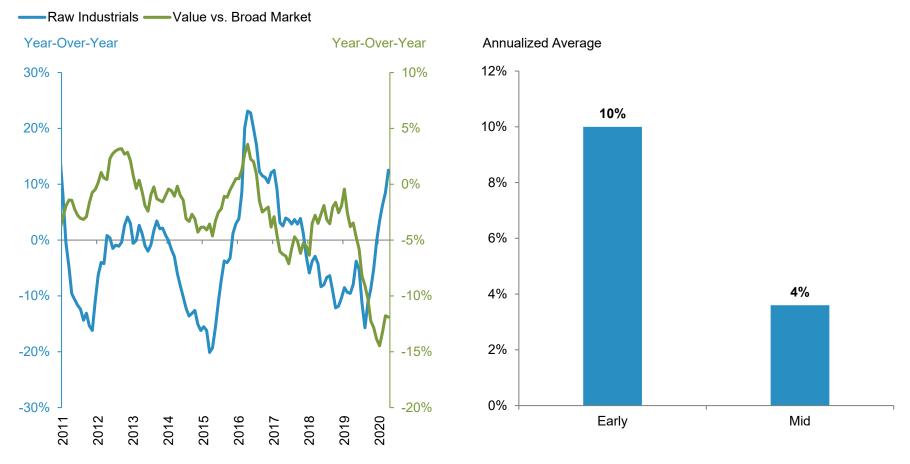
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30 Source: Federal Reserve Board, Haver Analytics, Fidelity Investments (AART), as of 12/31/20.

# Value Factor Supported by Global Growth Trend

Value stocks' performance versus the broader market historically has been correlated to movements in raw industrials prices, which tend to reflect demand for commodities and global growth momentum. In the second half of 2020, raw industrials prices rebounded alongside the global recovery. Historically, the earlier phases of the U.S. business cycle have been positive for raw industrials and should continue to support value equities.



## U.S. Value Stocks vs. Raw Industrials Prices Raw Industrials Prices (1950–2020)

LEFT: Broad Market is represented by Russell 1000 and Value is the Russell 1000 Value. Source (left and right): Commodity Research Bureau,
 Haver Analytics, Russell, Fidelity Investments (AART), as of 12/31/20.



# Business Cycle Approach to Equity Sectors

A disciplined business cycle approach to sector allocation seeks to generate active returns by favoring industries that may benefit from cyclical trends. Economically sensitive sectors historically have performed better in the early and mid-cycle phases of an economic expansion. Meanwhile, companies in defensive sectors with relatively more stable earnings growth have tended to outperform in weaker environments.

## **Business Cycle Approach to Sectors**

Sector	EARLY CYCLE Rebounds	MID CYCLE Peaks	LATE CYCLE Moderates	RECESSION Contracts
\$ Financials	+			
Real Estate	++			
Consumer Discretionary	++ /		< -	
Information Technology	+	+	<u> </u>	
Industrials	++			
Materials	+		+	
Consumer Staples			++	++
Health Care			++	++
Lnergy			++	
Communication Services		+		-
Utilities		-	+	++
	Economically sensitive sectors may tend to outperform, while more defensive sectors have tended to underperform.	Making marginal portfolio allocation changes to manage drawdown risk with sectors may enhance risk-adjusted returns during this cycle.	Defensive and inflation-resistant sectors tend to perform better, while more cyclical sectors underperform.	Since performance is generally negative in recessions, investors should focus on the most defensive, historically stable sectors.

Past performance is no guarantee of future results. Sectors as defined by GICS. White line is a theoretical representation of the business cycle as it moves through early, mid, late, and recession phases. Green and red shaded portions above respectively represent over- or underperformance relative to the broader market; unshaded (white) portions suggest no clear pattern of over- or underperformance. Double +/- signs indicate that the sector is showing a consistent signal across all three metrics: full-phase average performance, median monthly difference, and cycle hit rate. 32 A single +/- indicates a mixed or less consistent signal. Return data from 1962 to 2020. Source: Fidelity Investments (AART), as of 12/31/20.

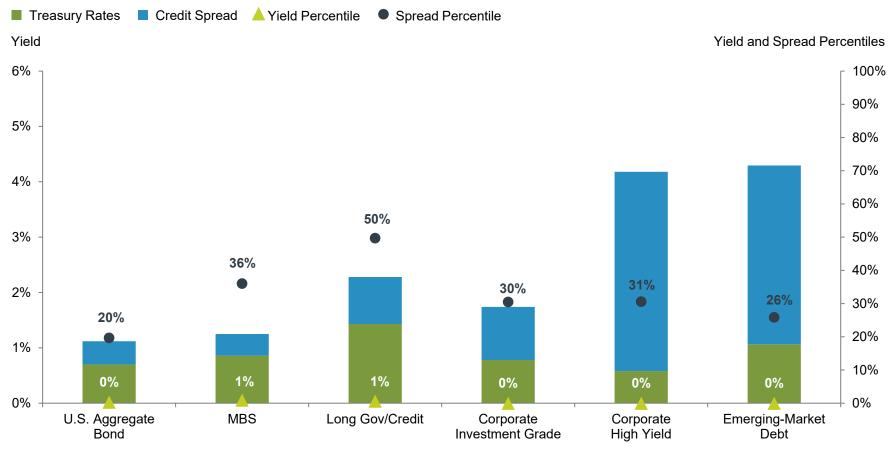


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# Yields Near All-Time Lows as Spreads Tightened Further

Credit spreads tightened across fixed income asset classes for the third quarter in a row, with almost all categories finishing the year below their long-term averages. During 2020, extraordinary central bank accommodation in both the Treasury and credit markets put downward pressure on both rates and spreads, helping push bond yields in high-quality debt categories near their lowest levels on record.



## Fixed Income Yields and Spreads (1993–2020)

Past performance is no guarantee of future results. It is not possible to invest directly in an index. All indexes are unmanaged. See Appendix for important index information. Percentile ranks of yields and spreads based on historical period from 1993 to 2020. MBS: mortgage-backed
 securities. Source: Bloomberg Barclays, Bank of America Merrill Lynch, JP Morgan, Fidelity Investments (AART), as of 12/31/20.



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# **Long-Term Themes**



# Performance Rotations Underscore Need for Diversification

The performance of different assets has fluctuated widely from year to year, and the magnitude of returns can vary significantly among asset classes in any given year—even among asset classes that are moving in the same direction. A portfolio allocation with a variety of global assets illustrates the potential benefits of diversification.

## **Periodic Table of Returns**

2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	Legend
32%	14%	26%	56%	32%	35%	35%	40%	5%	<b>79%</b>	28%	8%	20%	39%	28%	5%	21%	38%	0%	36%	38%	Growth Stocks
26%	8%	10%	47%	26%	21%	33%	16%	-20%	58%	27%	8%	19%	34%	14%	3%	18%	30%	-2%	31%	20%	Small Cap Stocks
12%	5%	4%	39%	21%	14%	27%	12%	-26%	37%	19%	4%	18%	33%	13%	1%	18%	26%	-2%	26%	18%	Large Cap Stocks
8%	2%	-2%	37%	18%	12%	22%	11%	-34%	32%	18%	4%	18%	32%	12%	1%	12%	22%	-3%	26%	18%	Emerging-Market Stocks
-1%	-2%	-6%	31%	17%	7%	18%	7%	-36%	28%	17%	2%	16%	23%	11%	1%	12%	15%	-4%	26%	14%	60% Large Cap 40% IG Bonds
-3%	-4%	-9%	31%	11%	5%	16%	6%	-36%	27%	16%	2%	16%	19%	6%	0%	11%	15%	-4%	22%	8%	Foreign-Developed Country Stocks
-5%	-4%	-15%	29%	11%	5%	12%	5%	-37%	26%	15%	0%	16%	7%	5%	-4%	9%	13%	-9%	22%	8%	Investment-Grade Bonds
-9%	-12%	-16%	28%	9%	5%	11%	2%	-38%	20%	15%	-4%	15%	3%	3%	-4%	8%	9%	-11%	18%	6%	High-Yield Bonds
-14%	-20%	-20%	24%	8%	4%	9%	-1%	-38%	19%	12%	-12%	11%	-2%	-2%	-5%	7%	8%	-11%	14%	3%	Value Stocks
-22%	-20%	-22%	19%	7%	3%	4%	-2%	-43%	18%	8%	-13%	4%	-2%	-4%	-15%	3%	4%	-11%	9%	-3%	Commodities
-31%	-21%	-28%	4%	4%	2%	2%	-16%	-53%	6%	7%	-18%	-1%	-10%	-17%	-25%	2%	1%	-14%	8%	-8%	REITs

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35 Russell 3000 Value Index. Source: Morningstar, Standard & Poor's, Haver Analytics, Fidelity Investments (AART), as of 12/31/20.



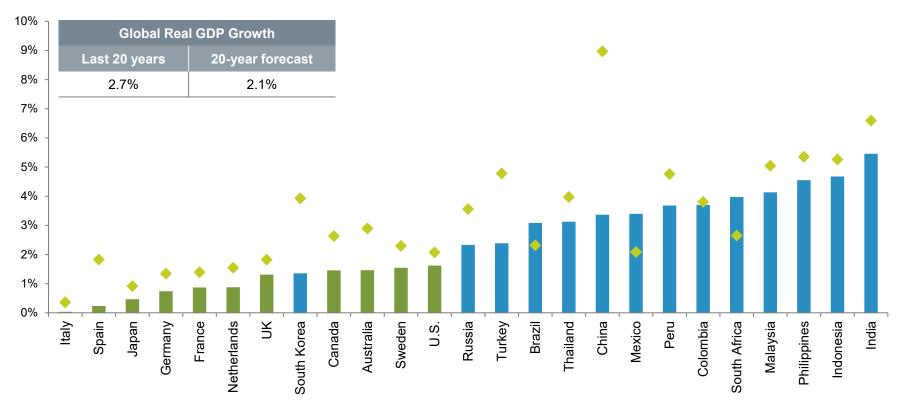
# Secular Forecast: Slower Global Growth, EM to Lead

Slowing labor force growth and aging demographics are expected to tamp down global growth over the next two decades. We expect GDP growth in emerging markets to outpace that of developed markets over the long term, providing a relatively favorable secular backdrop for emerging-market equity returns.

## **Real GDP 20-Year Growth Forecasts vs. History**

Developed Markets Emerging Markets + Last 20 Years

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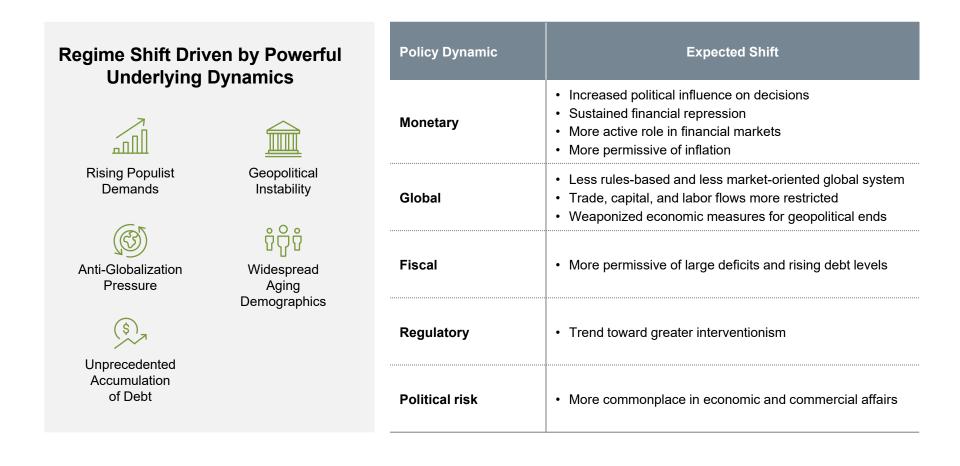


Past performance is no guarantee of future results. EM: Emerging Markets. GDP: Gross Domestic Product. **36** Source: OECD, Fidelity Investments (AART), as of 6/30/20.



# Secular: Rising Policy and Political Risk

We believe the longstanding global regime of relatively stable and investment-friendly policies, politics, and regulation is nearing an end. Rising populism, geopolitical destabilization, and de-globalization pressures are key drivers of this change. We expect greater government intervention may inhibit corporate profitability, distort market signals, and lead to higher political risk in investment decisions throughout the world.

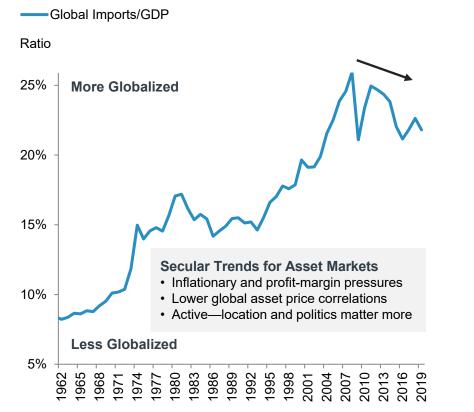




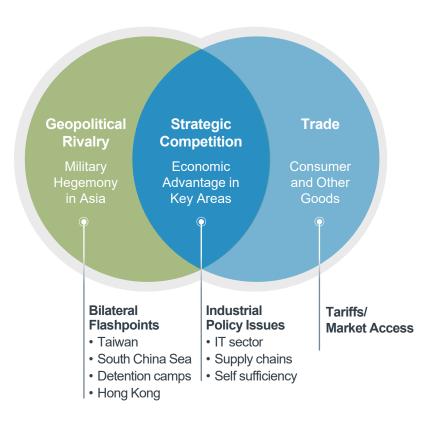
# Secular Trends: De-Globalization, Higher Geopolitical Risk

After decades of rapid global integration, economic openness stalled in recent years in many advanced economies. The deepening U.S.-China rivalry implies continued risks and bipolarization of the tech industry, even as the policy tone and tools shift under the new U.S. administration. The more that domestic politics and location matter, the greater may be the benefits and active opportunities from global asset diversification.

## Trade Globalization



## **U.S.-China Relationship**



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# Unintended Consequences of Extraordinary Monetary Policy

Over the past decade, global central banks have continued to employ extraordinary monetary accommodation. These policies have had mixed and unintended effects on the global economy, including increased risk in financial systems, deflationary impulses, and a weak consumer response. With many investors having grown accustomed to routine intervention, central banks may find it increasingly difficult to normalize their policies.

## **Extraordinary Monetary Policy Goals vs. Consequences**



Substitution effect Ease credit conditions Reduce debt-service burden Improve export competitiveness Unintended Consequences

Income effect Price controls Weaker productivity Currency wars

Consumption up Bank lending up Lower interest expense Weaker currency

Savings up Bank lending down Less-productive firms stay in business Limited impact on currency

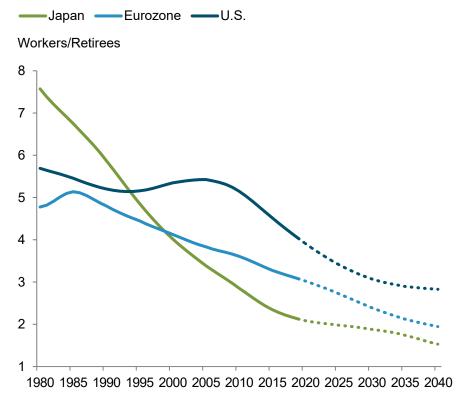


# For most advanced economies, deteriorating demographic trends will only worsen in coming decades, with fewer new workers to support a growing number of retirees. This creates even greater fiscal pressure due to right approximate and health ears. The already alwate distributed is a support distributed with the support of the superior of the support of the support distributed is a support distributed with the support of the support of the support of the support distributed is a support of the suppo

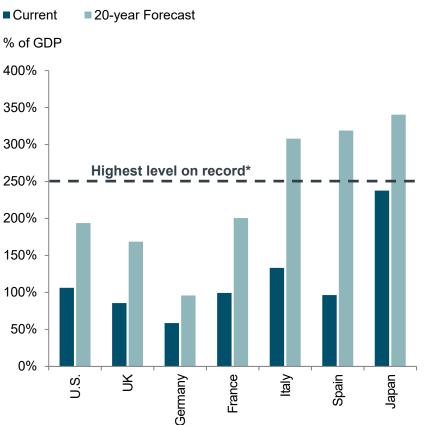
Demographic Deterioration Exacerbates Fiscal Pressures

rising spending on pensions and health care. The already elevated levels of government debt/GDP are likely to rise much further, with some major economies on pace to surpass the highest debt levels ever recorded.

## **Demographic Support Ratio**



## **Gross Government Debt**



LEFT: The demographic support ratio is calculated as the number of workers (15–64 years old)/number of retirees (65 and older).

Source: United Nations, Haver Analytics, Fidelity Investments (AART), as of 10/31/19. **RIGHT:** \* This level attained by the UK (1821), Netherlands (1834), France (1944), and Japan (1945), Forecasts by Fidelity Investments (AART), Source: International Monetary Fund, United Nations, Fidelity

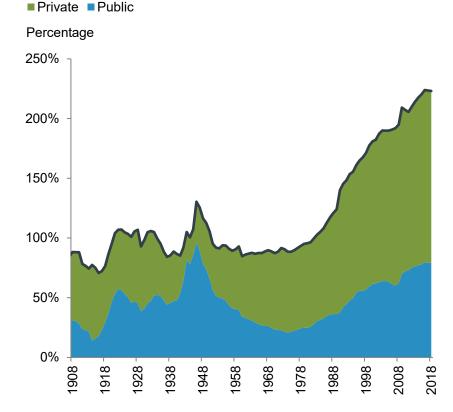
40 Investments (AART), as of 5/31/20.



# Rising Debt: Will Policy Response Be Inflationary?

The dramatic worldwide rise in public and private debt in recent decades reflects monetary and fiscal policymakers' proclivity to use low interest rates and government support in an attempt to boost growth rates. While technology and other factors have kept inflation in check, we believe greater policy experimentation and "peak globalization" trends will eventually cause long-term inflation to rise faster than expected.

## Global Debt as a Share of GDP



## **Possible Secular Impact on Inflation**

Secular Factors	Possible Developments	Risks to Inflation
Policy	Fed targets higher inflation	1
	More stimulative fiscal policy	1
Aging Demographics	Elderly people: • Spend less (reducing demand) • Work less (reducing supply)	<b>₽</b> <b>1</b>
Peak Globalization	More expensive goods/labor	1
Technological Progress	More robots, Amazon effect	₽

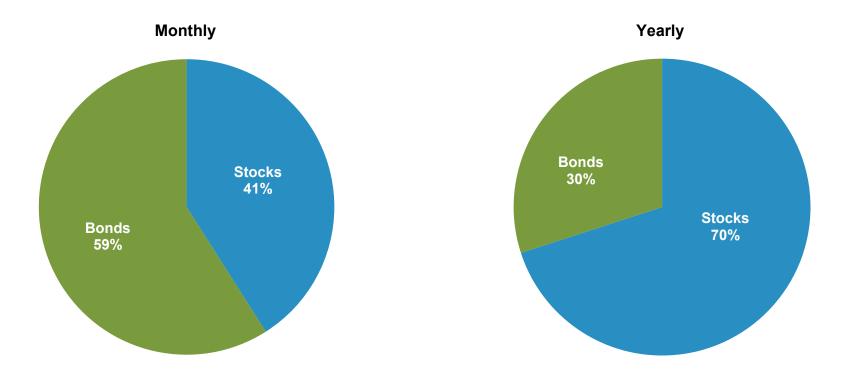
LEFT: Source: Bank of International Settlements, International Monetary Fund, Maddison Project, Fidelity Investments (AART), and the Jordà-Schularick-Taylor Macrohistory Database, compiled by Oscar Jordà, Moritz Schularick, and Alan M. Taylor. Accessed through <u>www.macrohistory.net</u>,
 as of 12/31/18. RIGHT: Source: Fidelity Investments (AART), as of 3/31/20.



# "Myopic Loss Aversion" Prompts Risk-Averse Behavior

Myopic loss aversion describes a common bias in which greater sensitivity to losses than to gains is compounded by the frequent evaluation of outcomes. Historically, investors who review their portfolios more frequently have tended to shift toward more conservative exposures, as increased monitoring raises the likelihood of seeing (and reacting to) a loss.

## Impact of Feedback Frequency on Investment Decisions



In a study, subjects were assigned simulated conditions that were similar to making portfolio decisions on a monthly or yearly basis. Source: Thaler, R.H., A. Tversky, D. Kahneman, and A. Schwartz. "The Effect of Myopia and Loss Aversion on Risk Taking: An Experimental Test." *The Quarterly Journal of Economics* 112.2 (1997), used by permission of Oxford University Press; Fidelity Investments (AART), as of 12/31/20.



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Although bonds generally present less short-term risk and volatility than stocks, bonds do contain interest rate risk (as interest rates rise, bond prices usually fall, and vice versa) and the risk of default, or the risk that an issuer will be unable to make income or principal payments.

Additionally, bonds and short-term investments entail greater inflation risk—or the risk that the return of an investment will not keep up with increases in the prices of goods and services—than stocks. Increases in real interest rates can cause the price of inflation-protected debt securities to decrease.

Stock markets, especially non-U.S. markets, are volatile and can decline significantly in response to adverse issuer, political, regulatory, market, or economic developments. Foreign securities are subject to interest rate, currency exchange rate, economic, and political risks, all of which are magnified in emerging markets. The securities of smaller, less well-known companies can be more volatile than those of larger companies.

Growth stocks can perform differently from the market as a whole and from other types of stocks and can be more volatile than other types of stocks. Value stocks can perform differently from other types of stocks and can continue to be undervalued by the market for long periods of time.

Lower-quality debt securities generally offer higher yields but also involve greater risk of default or price changes due to potential changes in the credit quality of the issuer. Any fixed income security sold or redeemed prior to maturity may be subject to loss.

Floating rate loans generally are subject to restrictions on resale, and sometimes trade infrequently in the secondary market; as a result, they may be more difficult to value, buy, or sell. A floating rate loan may not be fully collateralized and therefore may decline significantly in value.

The municipal market can be affected by adverse tax, legislative, or political changes, and by the financial condition of the issuers of municipal securities. Interest income generated by municipal bonds is generally expected to be exempt from federal income taxes and, if the bonds are held by an investor resident in the state of issuance, from state and local income taxes. Such interest income may be subject to federal and/or state alternative minimum taxes. Investing in municipal bonds for the purpose of generating tax-exempt income may not be appropriate for investors in all tax brackets. Generally, tax-exempt municipal securities are not appropriate holdings for tax-advantaged accounts such as IRAs and 401(k)s.

The commodities industry can be significantly affected by commodity prices, world events, import controls, worldwide competition, government regulations, and economic conditions.

The gold industry can be significantly affected by international monetary and political developments, such as currency devaluations or revaluations, central bank movements, economic and social conditions within a country, trade imbalances, or trade or currency restrictions between countries.

Changes in real estate values or economic downturns can have a significant negative effect on issuers in the real estate industry.

Leverage can magnify the impact that adverse issuer, political, regulatory, market, or economic developments have on a company. In the event of bankruptcy, a company's creditors take precedence over the company's stockholders.



#### **Market Indexes**

Index returns on slide 26 represented by: Growth-Russell 3000<sup>®</sup> Growth Index: Small Caps—Russell 2000<sup>®</sup> Index, Large Caps—S&P 500<sup>®</sup> index, Mid Caps—Russell Midcap<sup>®</sup> Index: Value—Russell 3000<sup>®</sup> Value Index: ACWI ex USA—MSCI ACWI (All Country World Index) ex USA Index; Japan-MSCI Japan Index; EAFE Small Cap-MSCI EAFE Small Cap Index: EAFE—MSCI EAFE (Europe, Australasia, Far East) Index; Europe—MSCI Europe Index: Canada—MSCI Canada Index: EM Asia—MSCI Emerging Markets Asia Index; Emerging Markets (EM)-MSCI EM Index; EMEA (Europe, Middle East, and Africa)—MSCI EM EMEA Index: Latin America—MSCI EM Latin America Index: Gold— Gold Bullion Price, LBMA PM Fix; Commodities—Bloomberg Commodity Index; High Yield—ICE BofA U.S. High Yield Index; Leveraged Loan—S&P/LSTA Leveraged Loan Index; TIPS (Treasury Inflation-Protected Securities)—Bloomberg Barclays U.S. TIPS Index: EM Debt (Emerging-Market Debt)-JP Morgan EMBI Global Index: CMBS (Commercial Mortgage-Backed Securities)—Bloomberg Barclays Investment-Grade CMBS Index; Credit—Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Credit Bond Index; Municipal—Bloomberg Barclays Municipal Bond Index; Long Government & Credit (Investment-Grade)-Bloomberg Barclavs Long Government & Credit Index: ABS (Asset-Backed Securities)-Bloomberg Barclays ABS Index; Aggregate—Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Aggregate Bond Index; Agency—Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Agency Index; Treasuries—Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Treasury Index: MBS (Mortgage-Backed Securities)-Bloomberg Barclays MBS Index: Momentum—Fidelity U.S. Momentum Factor Index TR: Low Volatility—Fidelity U.S. Low Volatility Factor Index; Quality—Fidelity U.S. Quality Factor Index; Value—Fidelity U.S. Value Factor Index: Size—Fidelity Small-Mid Factor Index: Yield—Fidelity High Dividend Index.

Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Aggregate Bond is a broad-based, market value-weighted benchmark that measures the performance of the investment-grade, U.S. dollardenominated, fixed-rate taxable bond market. Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Credit Bond Index is a market value-weighted index of investment-grade corporate fixed-rate debt issues with maturities of one year or more. Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Corporate High Yield Bond Index is a market value-weighted index covering the universe of dollardenominated, fixed-rate, non-investment grade debt. Eurobonds and debt issues from countries designated as emerging markets are excluded.

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**Bloomberg Barclays U.S. MBS Index** is a market value-weighted index of fixed-rate securities that represent interests in pools of mortgage loans, including balloon mortgages, with original terms of 15 and 30 years that are issued by the Government National Mortgage Association (GNMA), the Federal National Mortgage Association (FNMA), and the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp. (FHLMC).

**Bloomberg Barclays CMBS Index** is designed to mirror commercial mortgage-backed securities of investment-grade quality (Baa3/BBB-/BBB- or above) using Moody's, S&P, and Fitch, respectively, with maturities of at least one year. **Bloomberg Barclays ABS Index** is a market value-weighted index that covers fixed-rate asset-backed securities with average lives greater than or equal to one year and that are part of a public deal; the index covers the following collateral types: credit cards, autos, home equity loans, stranded-cost utility (rate-reduction bonds), and manufactured housing.

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#### Market Indexes (continued)

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