



# Capital Markets Snapshot

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Week ending April 5, 2024

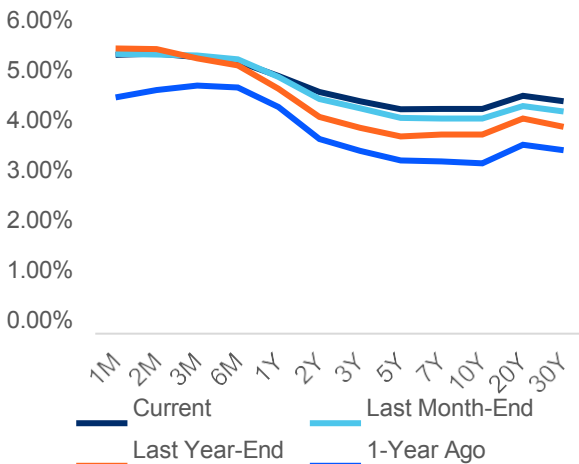
The second quarter started off with positive news on the jobs front as the March non-farm payroll report came in with a gain of 303,000 jobs which was well above expectations of 205,000. Wage pressure seems to be declining as wages grew at a rate of 4.1%, which marked the slowest pace since 2021. The unemployment rate fell to 3.8%.

## Fixed Income Markets Overview

- Following the jobs report, U.S. Treasury yields climbed higher with the 10-year yield reaching a four-month high. Signs of a strong job market are concerning investors that the Fed may further delay any rate cuts.
- As of Friday, expectations for a June rate cut fell to 50.8% from 55.2% a week earlier according to the CME FedWatch Tool.
- Other economic data during the week included a positive surprise from the ISM Manufacturing Index which rose above the key 50 threshold with a reading of 50.3. A reading above 50 indicates the metric has moved into expansionary territory. However, the ISM Services Index fell for the second month in a row to 51.4.

	Name	1W	YTD	3Y (Ann.)	5Y (Ann.)
Short	1-3 Year Govt/Credit	-0.1%	0.3%	0.2%	1.9%
	Intermediate Govt/Credit	-0.6%	-0.7%	-1.3%	1.8%
	International Aggregate	-0.7%	-2.8%	-5.1%	-1.3%
	US Aggregate	-1.1%	-1.8%	-3.0%	1.0%
Core Plus	US Treasury	-1.1%	-2.0%	-3.2%	0.6%
	US TIPS	-0.8%	-0.9%	-0.8%	2.9%
	US Corporate	-1.2%	-1.6%	-2.5%	2.3%
	US Corporate High Yield	-0.5%	1.0%	1.8%	5.3%
Other	Emerging Markets Aggregate	-0.5%	1.1%	-1.8%	1.8%
Muni	US Municipals	-0.6%	-1.0%	-0.7%	2.5%
	US Municipals High Yield	-0.8%	0.7%	0.2%	4.4%

## U.S. Treasury Yield Curve



Source: Bloomberg and U.S. Treasury as of April 5, 2024

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Interest Rates (%)				
Date	4/5/2024	3/28/2024	12/29/2023	4/5/2023
Federal Funds Rate	5.47%	5.49%	5.60%	4.62%
3 Month Treasury	5.43%	5.46%	5.40%	4.86%
6 Month Treasury	5.34%	5.38%	5.26%	4.82%
2 Year Treasury	4.73%	4.59%	4.23%	3.79%
5 Year Treasury	4.38%	4.21%	3.84%	3.36%
10 Year Treasury	4.39%	4.20%	3.88%	3.30%
30 Year Treasury	4.54%	4.34%	4.03%	3.56%
US Aggregate	5.00%	4.85%	4.53%	4.20%
US Corporate	5.45%	5.30%	5.06%	4.99%
US Corporate High Yield	7.84%	7.66%	7.59%	8.54%
US Municipal	3.61%	3.49%	3.22%	3.14%
US Municipal High Yield	5.59%	5.50%	5.57%	5.58%

Spreads Over 10-Year US Treasuries				
Date	4/5/2024	3/28/2024	12/29/2023	4/5/2023
30 Year Treasury	0.15%	0.14%	0.15%	0.26%
US Aggregate	0.61%	0.65%	0.65%	0.90%
US Corporate	1.06%	1.10%	1.18%	1.69%
US Corporate High Yield	3.45%	3.46%	3.71%	5.24%
US Municipal	-0.78%	-0.71%	-0.66%	-0.16%
US Municipal High Yield	1.20%	1.30%	1.69%	2.28%

Source: Bloomberg and U.S. Treasury as of April 5, 2024

## Equity Markets Overview

- Although the markets rallied after Friday's job report, it was not enough to recover from a week of losses. All three indices were down for the week, with the largest decline seen in the Dow Jones Industrial Average (DJIA) which was down by 2.3%. The S&P 500 fell by 0.9%, while the Nasdaq was down by 0.8%.
- Most sectors were negative for the week with gains only seen in the Energy and Communication Services sectors, which gained by 3.9% and 2.5% respectively.
- This week will mark the start of first quarter earnings reports with Delta Airlines releasing earnings on Wednesday. JP Morgan Chase, Wells Fargo, and State Street will report on Friday.

Asset Class	Name	1W	YTD	3Y (Ann.)	5Y (Ann.)	
All-Cap	S&P 1500	-1.0%	9.2%	9.7%	16.7%	
	Large-Cap	S&P 500	-0.9%	9.5%	10.2%	17.3%
		S&P 500 Growth	-0.2%	12.5%	8.9%	18.9%
Mid-Cap	S&P 500 Value	-1.8%	6.2%	10.9%	14.4%	
	S&P Midcap 400	-1.9%	7.9%	5.5%	12.2%	
	S&P Midcap 400 Growth	-1.3%	14.1%	5.1%	12.4%	
Small-Cap	S&P Midcap 400 Value	-2.5%	1.5%	5.6%	11.4%	
	S&P Smallcap 600	-2.7%	-0.3%	0.7%	9.0%	
	S&P Smallcap 600 Growth	-1.8%	2.9%	0.5%	9.7%	
Int'l.	S&P Smallcap 600 Value	-3.5%	-3.4%	0.8%	7.9%	
	MSCI ACWI ex-USA	-0.8%	3.8%	1.0%	4.9%	
	MSCI EM	0.3%	2.7%	-5.7%	0.9%	

Source: Bloomberg as of April 5, 2024

## Alternative Markets Overview

- Oil continued to climb higher which gave a boost to energy stocks this week. The price per barrel rose by over 4% on continued geopolitical tensions.
- It was another strong week for the price of gold which closed at an all-time high on Friday of \$2,330.06 per ounce.
- Other precious metals have been mixed this year with silver increasing by 7.2% in the first quarter, but platinum falling by over 8% over the period.

Name	1W	YTD	3Y (Ann.)	5Y (Ann.)
S&P GSCI	3.5%	14.2%	19.3%	8.4%
Gold	0.0%	6.5%	8.3%	10.7%
FTSE All Equity NAREIT	-3.1%	-4.3%	0.5%	7.3%
Bitcoin	-4.6%	60.8%	5.1%	59.2%
Ethereum	-6.8%	44.3%	16.3%	55.2%

Source: Bloomberg as of April 5, 2024



- The big report of the week will be the Consumer Price Index (CPI) on Wednesday. Current expectations are looking for a decline from February's reading of 3.8%.
- Other economic news this week includes the release of the March FOMC Minutes, the Producer Price Index, and the University of Michigan Consumer Sentiment Index.

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