



# Capital Markets Snapshot

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Week ending March 6, 2026

Elevated volatility returned last week as investors navigated a sharp energy-price shock tied to the U.S.–Iran conflict alongside a weaker-than-expected U.S. labor report. Crude oil prices surged to roughly \$90 per barrel by week’s end, reigniting near-term inflation concerns and contributing to a broad risk-off tone across global markets. Equity markets responded negatively, with U.S. stocks retreating and the S&P 500 down about 2% for the week, while international equities experienced more pronounced declines as investors reassessed growth and inflation risks. Fixed income markets also came under pressure as rising energy prices pushed inflation expectations higher. The 10-year Treasury yield climbed during the week to finish above 4.10% even as labor market conditions showed signs of softening. Sector performance was broadly negative for the week, with energy the only sector posting gains amid the oil price surge, while cyclical sectors such as materials and industrials lagged. Overall, market activity during the week appeared to be driven more by uncertainty surrounding the duration of energy supply disruptions and inflation persistence than by a deterioration in underlying economic fundamentals. **For our perspective on the Iran war, please see our latest [Wealth Management Market Update](#).**

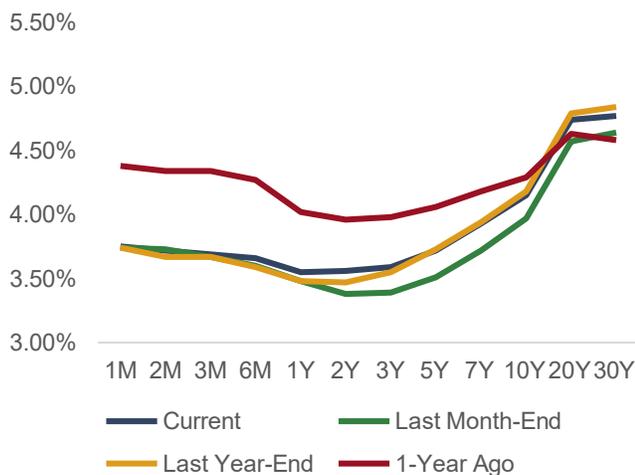
## Fixed Income Markets Overview

- Treasury yields increased broadly as the oil spike introduced upside inflation risks, even as the February jobs report surprised to the downside.
- The 10-year Treasury yield rose roughly 0.2% to finish the week around 4.14%, as rising inflation concerns pushed short- and intermediate-term rates higher and lifted yields across the curve.
- Market expectations for near-term Fed rate cuts remained subdued, with investors weighing weaker growth signals against the possibility that energy-driven inflation will keep Fed policy restrictive for longer.

Asset Class	Name	1W	YTD	3Y(Ann.)	5Y(Ann.)
<b>Short</b>	1-3 Year Govt/Credit	-0.3%	0.5%	5.0%	2.1%
	<b>Core Plus</b>				
	Intermediate Govt/Credit	-0.6%	0.6%	5.3%	1.4%
	Global Aggregate	-1.8%	0.3%	4.1%	-1.4%
	US Aggregate	-1.0%	0.8%	4.9%	0.4%
	US Treasury	-1.0%	0.7%	4.0%	-0.1%
	US TIPS	-0.4%	1.2%	4.4%	1.7%
	US Corporate	-0.9%	0.5%	6.0%	0.9%
	US Corporate High Yield	-0.4%	0.3%	9.0%	4.4%
<b>Other</b>	Emerging Markets Aggregate	-1.1%	0.5%	8.8%	2.2%
<b>Muni</b>	US Municipals	-0.8%	1.4%	4.2%	1.2%
	US Municipals High Yield	-0.7%	2.0%	6.3%	2.3%

Source: Bloomberg as of March 6, 2026

## U.S. Treasury Yield Curve



Source: Bloomberg and U.S Treasury as of March 6, 2026

## Interest Rates (%)

Date	3/6/2026	2/27/2026	12/31/2025	3/6/2025
1 Month Treasury	3.75%	3.74%	3.74%	4.38%
3 Month Treasury	3.69%	3.67%	3.67%	4.34%
6 Month Treasury	3.66%	3.60%	3.59%	4.27%
2 Year Treasury	3.56%	3.38%	3.47%	3.96%
5 Year Treasury	3.72%	3.51%	3.73%	4.06%
10 Year Treasury	4.15%	3.97%	4.18%	4.29%
30 Year Treasury	4.77%	4.64%	4.84%	4.58%
US Aggregate	4.36%	4.16%	4.32%	4.65%
US Corporate	4.90%	4.73%	4.81%	5.15%
US Corporate High Yield	6.95%	6.71%	6.53%	7.30%
US Municipal	3.44%	3.29%	3.60%	3.63%
US Municipal High Yield	5.47%	5.38%	5.59%	5.47%

## Spreads Over 10-Year US Treasuries

Date	3/6/2026	2/27/2026	12/31/2025	3/6/2025
30 Year Treasury	0.62%	0.67%	0.66%	0.29%
US Aggregate	0.21%	0.19%	0.14%	0.36%
US Corporate	0.75%	0.76%	0.63%	0.86%
US Corporate High Yield	2.80%	2.74%	2.35%	3.01%
US Municipal	-0.71%	-0.68%	-0.58%	-0.66%
US Municipal High Yield	1.32%	1.41%	1.41%	1.18%

Source: Bloomberg and U.S. Treasury as of March 6, 2026

## Equity Markets Overview

- U.S. equity indices declined for the week, led by weakness following Friday's jobs report.
- The Dow Jones Industrial Average fell roughly 3% and the Nasdaq declined by about 1%, leaving major indices modestly negative for the year.
- Technology sector performance was mixed, with software stocks stabilizing even as semiconductor stocks weakened.
- Market breadth deteriorated as selling pressure broadened, reflecting risk reduction ahead of heightened geopolitical uncertainty.
- Sector performance was broadly negative for the week, with energy the only sector to finish in positive territory, while materials, industrials, and consumer staples lagged.

Asset Class	Name	1W	YTD	3Y(Ann.)	5Y(Ann.)
<b>All-Cap</b>	S&P 1500	-2.2%	-1.0%	19.4%	13.0%
<b>Large-Cap</b>	S&P 500	-2.0%	-1.3%	20.2%	13.5%
	S&P 500 Growth	-1.4%	-4.2%	25.0%	14.4%
	S&P 500 Value	-2.7%	2.0%	14.5%	11.8%
<b>Mid-Cap</b>	S&P Midcap 400	-4.6%	3.4%	11.0%	7.9%
	S&P Midcap 400 Growth	-4.9%	4.7%	12.6%	7.3%
	S&P Midcap 400 Value	-4.3%	2.1%	9.3%	8.5%
<b>Small-Cap</b>	S&P Smallcap 600	-3.8%	3.8%	8.9%	4.9%
	S&P Smallcap 600 Growth	-4.3%	3.3%	9.7%	4.3%
	S&P Smallcap 600 Value	-3.3%	4.4%	8.0%	5.4%
<b>Int'l.</b>	MSCI ACWI ex-USA	-6.5%	4.1%	16.4%	8.3%
	MSCI EM	-6.9%	6.9%	17.5%	4.8%

Source: Bloomberg as of March 6, 2026

## Alternative Markets Overview

- Amid geopolitical volatility, the price of oil continued to move sharply higher, reflecting fears of sustained disruption of key shipping routes in the Middle East.
- Gold traded with mixed safe-haven dynamics and ended the week lower, supported by geopolitical stress but pressured by a stronger dollar and rising yields.
- Private credit concerns continued this week, as elevated redemption activity prompted some large managers to adjust fund liquidity measures.

Name	1W	YTD	3Y (Ann.)	5Y (Ann.)
S&P GSCI	15.3%	29.7%	13.9%	16.5%
Gold	-1.6%	19.0%	40.7%	24.9%
FTSE All Equity NAREIT	-2.1%	8.2%	7.3%	6.2%
Bitcoin	3.9%	-22.2%	45.0%	7.0%
Ethereum	2.9%	-33.3%	8.2%	5.1%

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## Upcoming Week

- Q4 earnings season is nearing its close, but there is still a busy week of releases ahead. Noteworthy reports include Oracle, Adobe, and Dollar General.
- This week brings a host of economic releases including Existing Home Sales, January's PCE report, and February's CPI report.

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