



Capital Markets Snapshot

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Week ending October 2, 2026

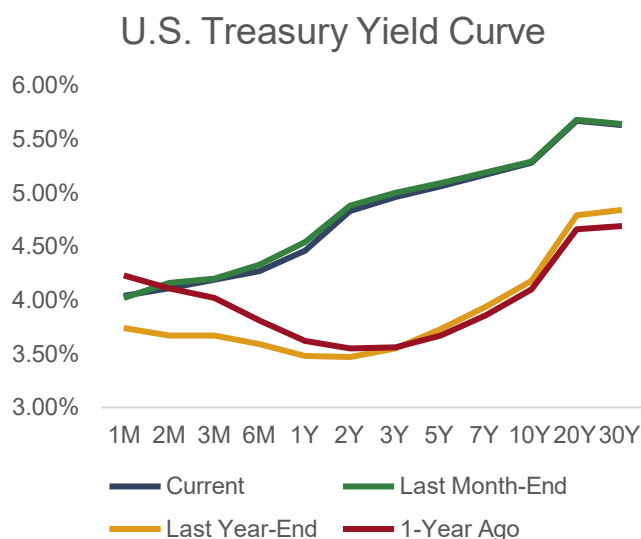
US equity markets delivered a mixed performance for the week, as surging Treasury yields weighed on rate-sensitive sectors, while a softer-than-expected September jobs report on Friday provided some late relief. The S&P 500 declined 0.2% for the week, as strength in technology-led mega-cap stocks was offset by broad weakness across the rest of the index. Treasury yields moved broadly higher on the week, with the 30-year yield reaching its highest level since 2002 mid-week before partially retreating. WTI crude oil fell approximately 1.4% on the week amid continued volatility tied to the US-Iran conflict. September Nonfarm Payrolls rose by just 29,000 as the unemployment rate ticked up to 4.2%, while the Conference Board Consumer Confidence Index fell to 81.9, its lowest reading since 2014.

Fixed Income Markets Overview

- US Treasury yields rose broadly over the week, with upward pressure concentrated in longer maturities as resilient consumer spending data reinforced expectations for a higher-for-longer interest rate environment, steepening the yield curve.
- The 2-year Treasury yield rose 2 basis points (from 4.81% to 4.83%), the 10-year yield rose 11 basis points (from 5.17% to 5.28%), and the 30-year yield rose 14 basis points (from 5.49% to 5.63%).
- The primary driver of yield moves was resilient economic data, as August Personal Spending rose 0.9% and the second estimate of Q2 GDP was revised up to 2.2% annualized.
- Market-implied odds of a Fed rate hike at the October Fed meeting fell sharply over the week, dropping from approximately 64.2% to 22.7%, as the market digested Friday's softer-than-expected jobs report.

Asset Class	Name	1W	YTD	3Y(Ann.)	5Y(Ann.)
Short	1-3 Year Govt/Credit	0.1%	0.7%	4.4%	2.1%
	Core Plus				
	Intermediate Govt/Credit	-0.2%	-1.4%	4.5%	0.8%
	Global Aggregate	-0.5%	-2.8%	4.0%	-1.9%
	US Aggregate	-0.6%	-2.9%	4.3%	-0.7%
	US Treasury	-0.5%	-2.7%	3.4%	-1.1%
	US TIPS	-0.4%	-2.1%	4.0%	-0.1%
	US Corporate	-0.7%	-3.1%	5.2%	-0.5%
	US Corporate High Yield	-0.6%	0.1%	8.2%	3.6%
Other	Emerging Markets Aggregate	-1.2%	-1.9%	8.1%	1.3%
	Muni				
	US Municipals	0.5%	-3.2%	3.3%	-0.0%
	US Municipals High Yield	0.1%	-0.8%	5.8%	0.7%

Source: Bloomberg as of October 2, 2026



Source: Bloomberg and U.S. Treasury as of October 2, 2026

Interest Rates (%)

Date	10/2/2026	9/30/2026	12/31/2025	10/2/2025
1 Month Treasury	4.04%	4.02%	3.74%	4.23%
3 Month Treasury	4.19%	4.20%	3.67%	4.02%
6 Month Treasury	4.27%	4.33%	3.59%	3.81%
2 Year Treasury	4.83%	4.88%	3.47%	3.55%
5 Year Treasury	5.06%	5.09%	3.73%	3.67%
10 Year Treasury	5.28%	5.29%	4.18%	4.10%
30 Year Treasury	5.63%	5.64%	4.84%	4.69%
US Aggregate	5.56%	5.56%	4.32%	4.31%
US Corporate	6.05%	6.04%	4.81%	4.75%
US Corporate High Yield	8.29%	8.35%	6.53%	6.65%
US Municipal	4.63%	4.78%	3.60%	3.65%
US Municipal High Yield	6.11%	6.21%	5.59%	5.69%

Spreads Over 10-Year US Treasuries

Date	10/2/2026	9/30/2026	12/31/2025	10/2/2025
30 Year Treasury	0.35%	0.35%	0.66%	0.59%
US Aggregate	0.28%	0.27%	0.14%	0.21%
US Corporate	0.77%	0.75%	0.63%	0.65%
US Corporate High Yield	3.01%	3.06%	2.35%	2.55%
US Municipal	-0.65%	-0.51%	-0.58%	-0.45%
US Municipal High Yield	0.83%	0.92%	1.41%	1.59%

Source: Bloomberg and U.S. Treasury as of October 2, 2026

Equity Markets Overview

- US equity markets finished the week mixed, as the spike in long-term Treasury yields to multi-decade highs weighed on rate-sensitive sectors, while technology mega-caps provided relative resilience.
- The S&P 500 declined 0.2%, the Nasdaq Composite gained 0.5%, and the Dow Jones Industrial Average fell 1.3% for the week.
- The top two performing sectors were Information Technology (+1.4%) and Energy (+1.4%), with technology buoyed by continued AI optimism and energy supported by elevated oil prices tied to ongoing Middle East tensions.
- The bottom two performing sectors were Health Care (-2.7%) and Financials (-2.5%), with financials pressured by rising yields and concerns about credit conditions.
- Market breadth remained historically narrow, with the equal-weight S&P 500 on track for a seventh consecutive weekly loss, a streak seen only twice before, during the dot-com bust and the 2022 bear market.

Asset Class	Name	1W	YTD	3Y(Ann.)	5Y(Ann.)
All-Cap	S&P 1500	-0.2%	13.8%	22.7%	13.2%
Large-Cap	S&P 500	-0.2%	13.8%	23.3%	13.7%
	S&P 500 Growth	0.4%	17.3%	28.8%	15.0%
	S&P 500 Value	-1.1%	9.7%	16.8%	11.5%
Mid-Cap	S&P Midcap 400	0.6%	12.1%	15.8%	8.1%
	S&P Midcap 400 Growth	1.1%	15.9%	17.2%	8.0%
	S&P Midcap 400 Value	0.0%	8.1%	14.4%	8.1%
Small-Cap	S&P Smallcap 600	0.2%	16.2%	16.0%	6.2%
	S&P Smallcap 600 Growth	0.5%	16.5%	15.9%	5.5%
	S&P Smallcap 600 Value	-0.0%	15.9%	16.1%	6.8%
Int'l.	MSCI ACWI ex-USA	-1.4%	13.7%	20.9%	9.6%
	MSCI EM	-1.2%	23.7%	24.2%	9.1%

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Alternative Markets Overview

- Commodity markets were volatile over the week, with energy prices driven by geopolitical developments related to the US-Iran conflict, while precious metals faced headwinds from rising real yields.
- WTI crude oil fell approximately 1.4% over the week, ending near \$91 per barrel, as Middle East crude exports reportedly returned to near pre-war levels and the G-7 agreed to release 100 million barrels from emergency reserves.
- Gold declined approximately 3.7% for the week, closing near \$4,140 per troy ounce, as surging Treasury yields raised the opportunity cost of holding the non-yielding metal.
- Bitcoin rose modestly on the week, gaining 0.3% to close near \$84,400.

Name	1W	YTD	3Y (Ann.)	5Y (Ann.)
S&P GSCI	-0.9%	55.3%	18.0%	17.2%
S&P GSCI Crude Oil Spot	-1.4%	58.7%	0.9%	3.7%
Gold	-3.7%	-4.1%	31.1%	18.8%
FTSE All Equity NAREIT	-1.5%	7.7%	11.6%	2.1%
Bitcoin	0.3%	-3.7%	44.5%	11.8%
Ethereum	-1.0%	-10.2%	16.9%	-4.2%

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Upcoming Week

- Notable earnings reports this week include PepsiCo, Delta Air Lines, and Constellation Brands.
- On the economic front, investors will be closely monitoring the ISM Services Index, Trade Balance data, and the University of Michigan Consumer Sentiment Index.

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Bloomberg Galaxy Ethereum Index is designed to measure the performance of a single Ethereum traded in USD.

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