### Halftime Report 2024

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**Politics and Investing** 

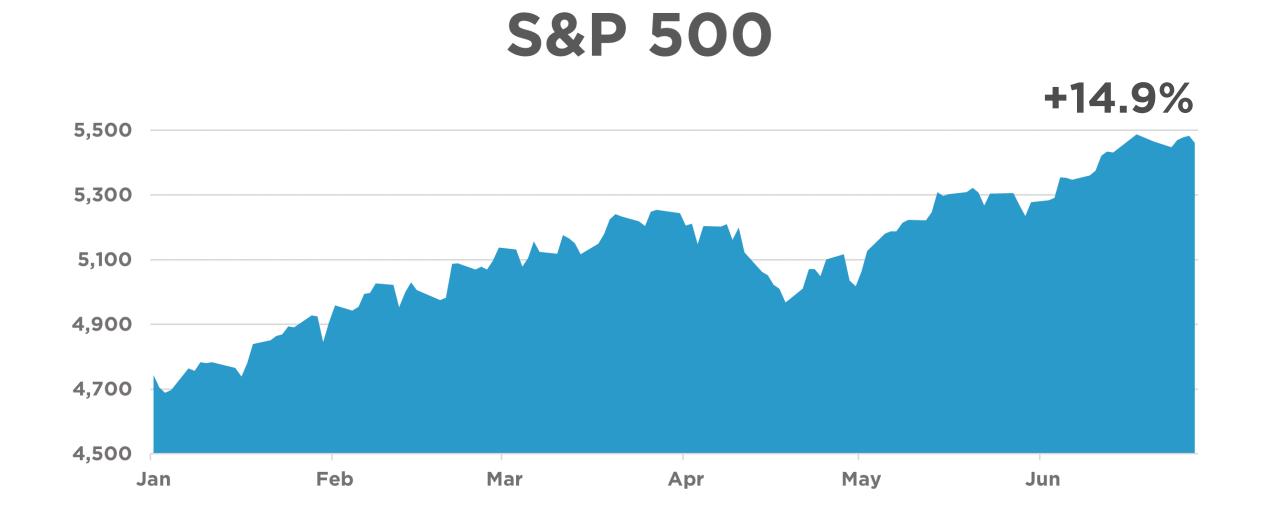
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## Review of 2024 so far

### S&P 500 First Half



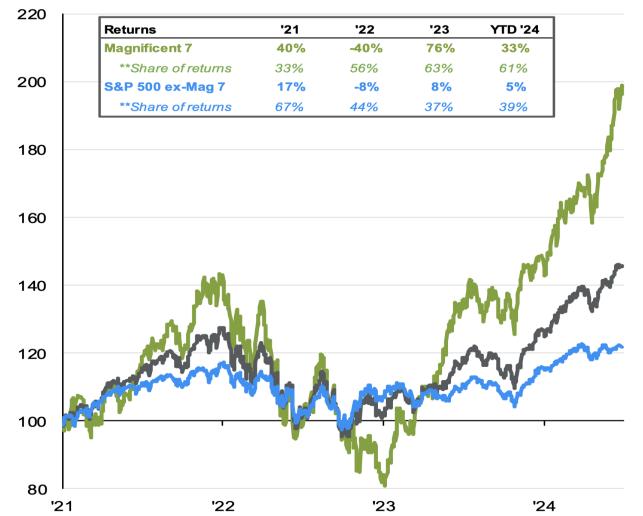


### **S&P 500 Concentration**



#### Performance of "Magnificent 7" stocks in S&P 500\*

Indexed to 100 on 1/1/2021, price return



Source: FactSet, Standard & Poor's, J.P. Morgan Asset Management.

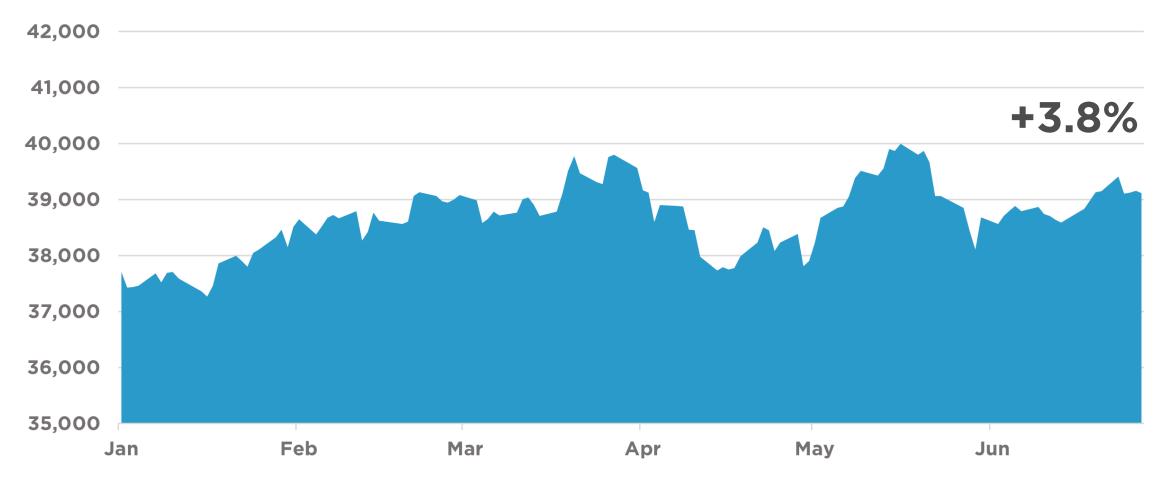
\*Magnificent 7 includes AAPL, AMZN, GOOG, GOOGL, META, MSFT, NVDA and TSLA. Earnings estimates for 2024 are forecasts based on consensus analyst expectations. \*\*Share of returns represent how much each group contributed to the overall return. Numbers are always positive despite negative performance in 2022. Guide to the Markets – U.S. Data are as of June 30, 2024.

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### **Dow Jones First Half**



## **Dow Jones**





## Inflation and the Fed

Is it over?



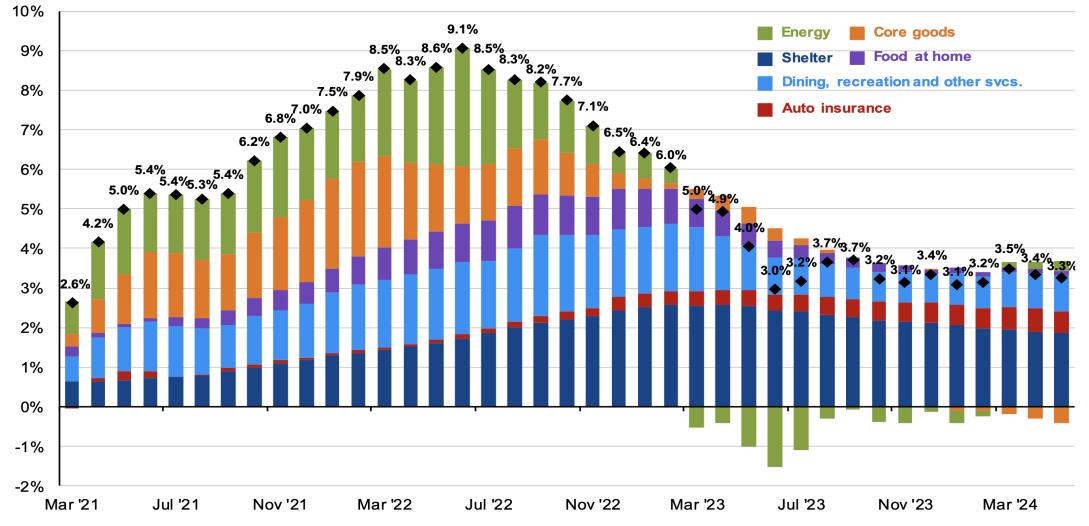


### **Drivers of Inflation**



#### **Contributors to headline CPI inflation**

Contribution to y/y % change in CPI, non-seasonally adjusted



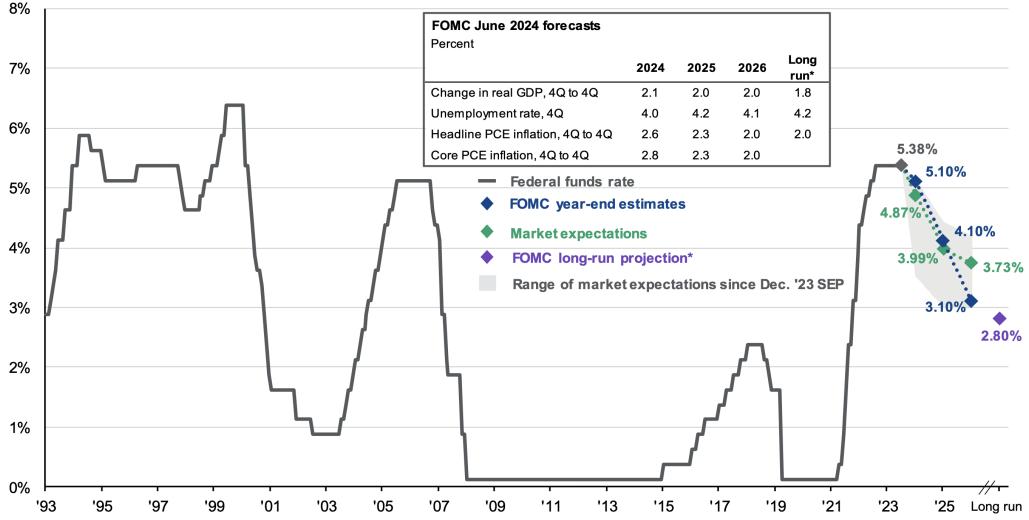
Source: BLS, FactSet, J.P. Morgan Asset Management. Contributions mirror the BLS methodology on Table 7 of the CPI report. Values may not sum to headline CPI figures due to rounding and underlying calculations. "Shelter" includes owners' equivalent rent, rent of primary residence and home insurance. Guide to the Markets – U.S. Data are as of June 30, 2024.

### **The Fed and Interest Rates**



#### Federal funds rate expectations

FOMC and market expectations for the federal funds rate

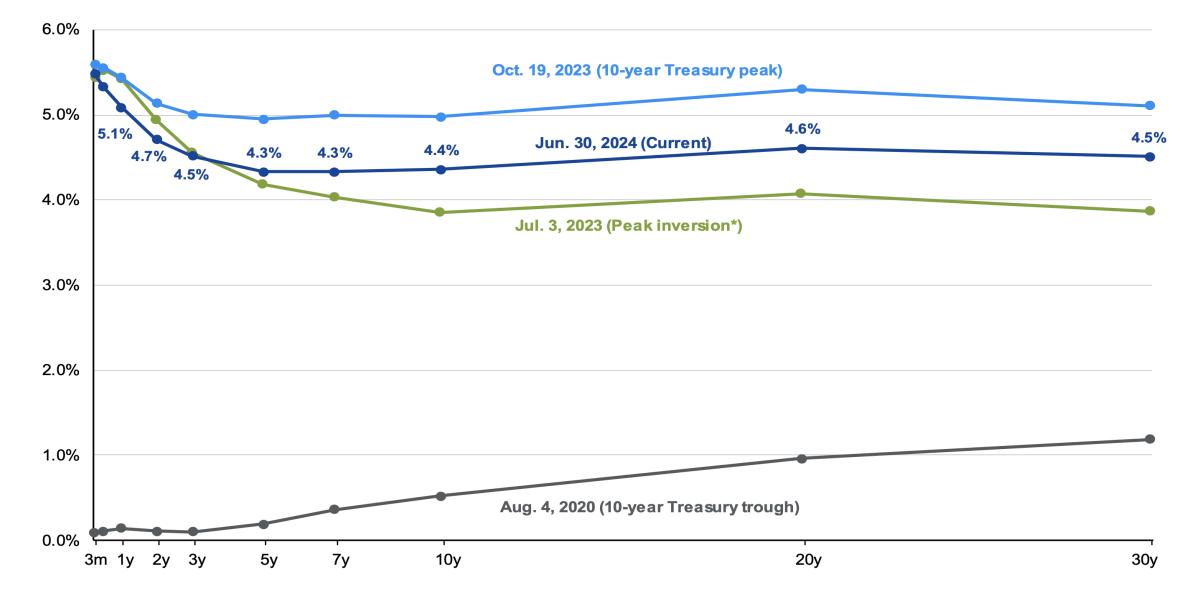


Source: Bloomberg, FactSet, Federal Reserve, J.P. Morgan Asset Management.

Market expectations are based off of USD Overnight Index Swaps. \*Long-run projections are the rates of growth, unemployment and inflation to which a policymaker expects the economy to converge over the next five to six years in absence of further shocks and under appropriate monetary policy. Forecasts are not a reliable indicator of future performance. Forecasts, projections and other forward-looking statements are based upon current beliefs and expectations. They are for illustrative purposes only and serve as an indication of what may occur. Given the inherent uncertainties and risks associated with forecasts, projections or other forward-looking statements, actual events, results or performance may differ materially from those reflected or contemplated. Guide to the Markets – U.S. Data are as of June 30, 2024.

### **US Treasury Yield Curve**





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### **Commercial Real Estate**

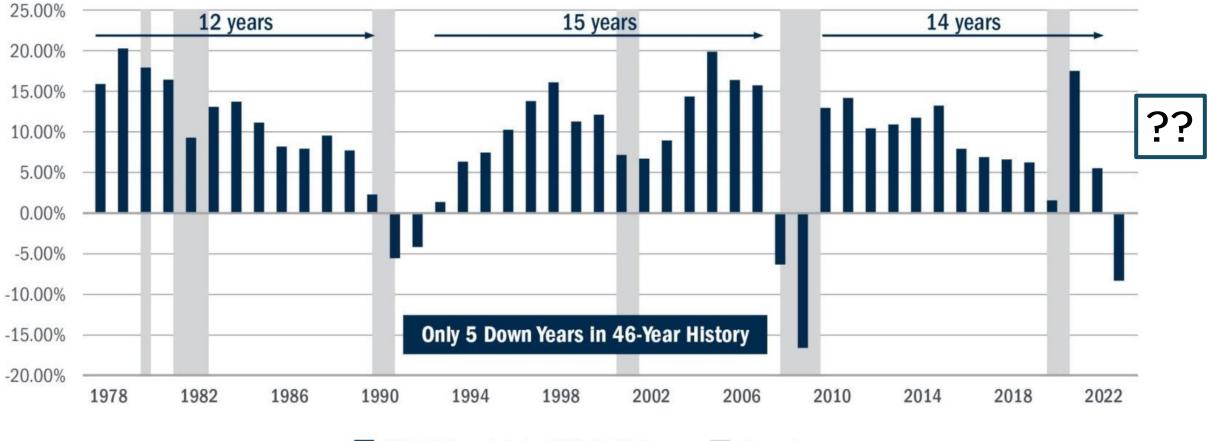




### **Commercial Real Estate**



#### NCREIF Property Index Total Return (1978-2023)



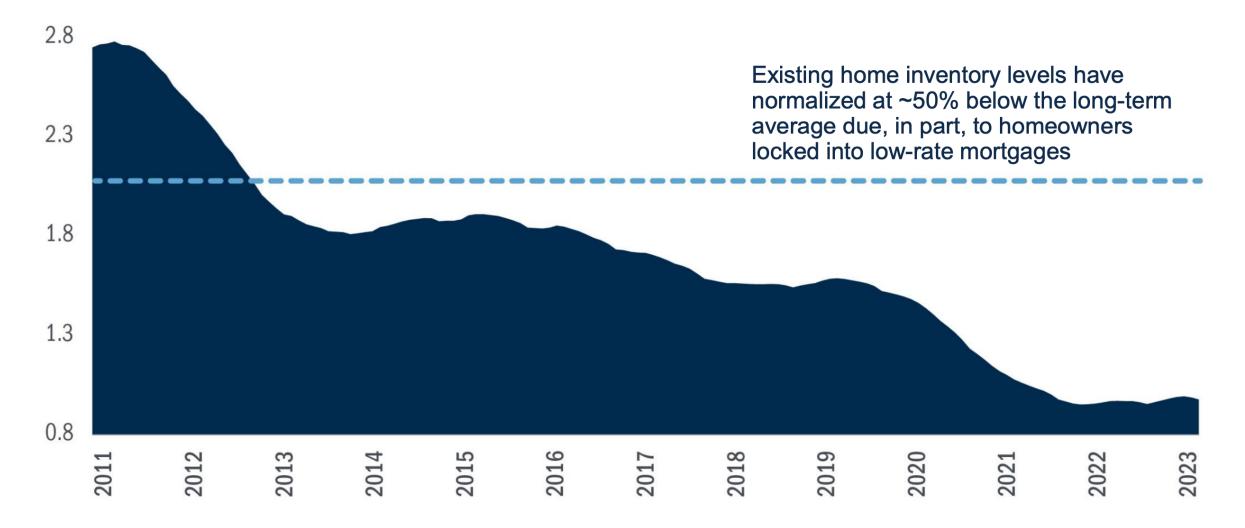
NCREIF Property Index (NPI) Total Return

Recession

### **Existing Home Inventory**

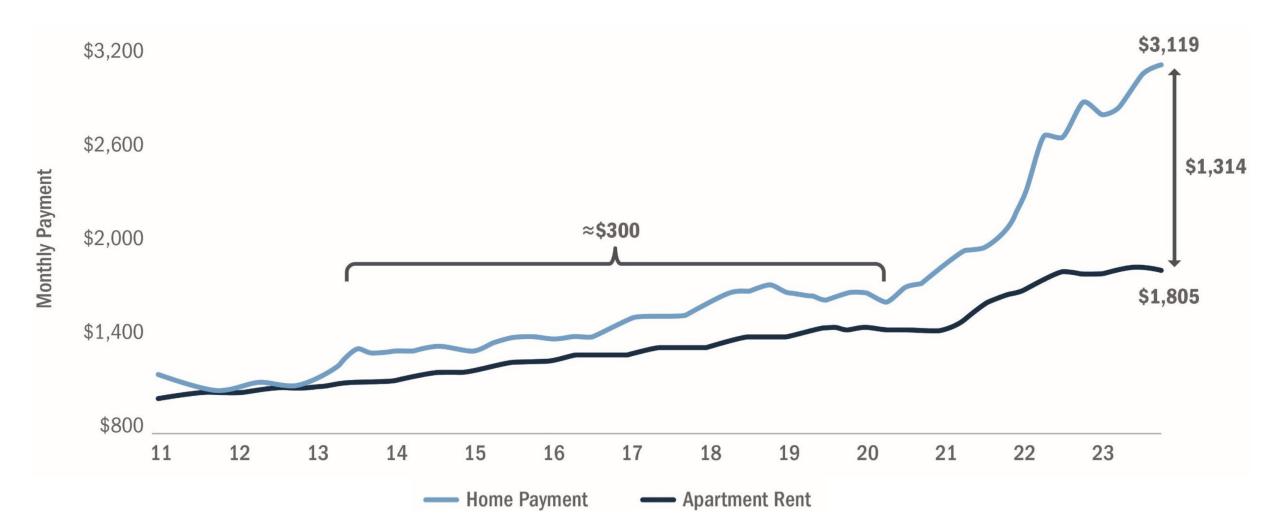


### TTM Average National Existing Home Inventory<sup>2</sup> (MM-Units)



### **Affordability Gap**





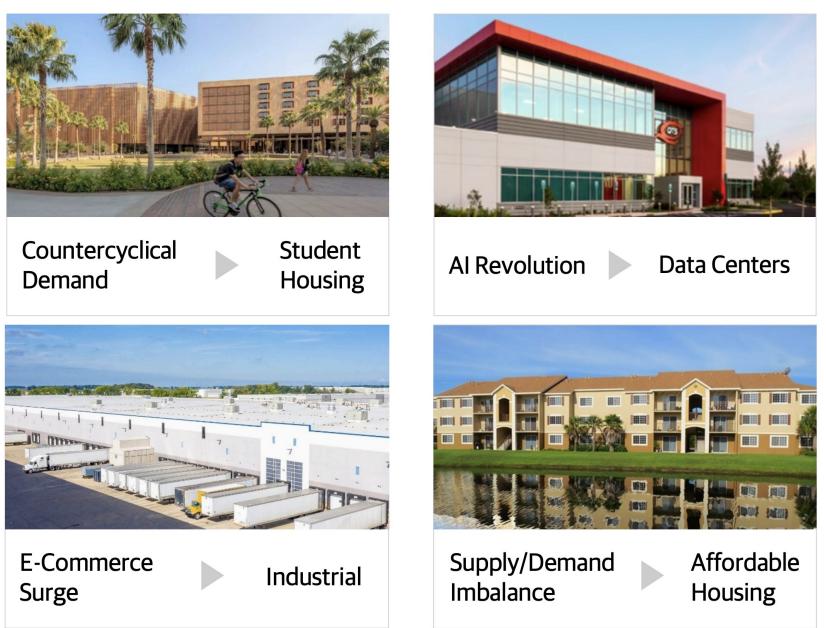
### Affordability Gap



	Housing affordability index (% disposable income)			Adjustment required to return to pre- Covid average affordability		
	Latest	Pre-Covid 10Y Average	Pre-GFC peak	House prices (%)	Income (%)	Mortgage rates (ppts)
U.S.	23	14	26	-41	69	-4.3
Germany	34	21	30	-36	60	-3.4
NZ	56	35	56	-35	59	-4.2
Canada	38	25	29	-33	55	-3.5
U.K.	31	21	35	-33	50	-3.5
Australia	45	32	44	-25	41	-2.8
Japan	32	25	25	-23	26	-1.7
Sweden	27	20	29	-19	25	-1.7
Korea	39	35		-11	22	-1.0

### WHAT you own REALLY matters.







## **Recession and the Stock Market**

### Are we headed for a recession?



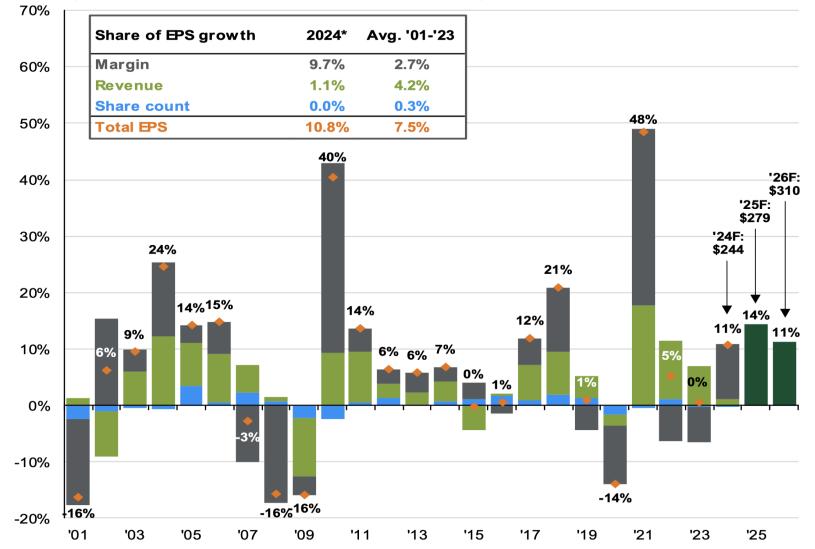


### **Corporate Earnings Growth**



#### S&P 500 year-over-year pro-forma EPS growth

Annual growth broken into changes in revenue, profit margin and share count

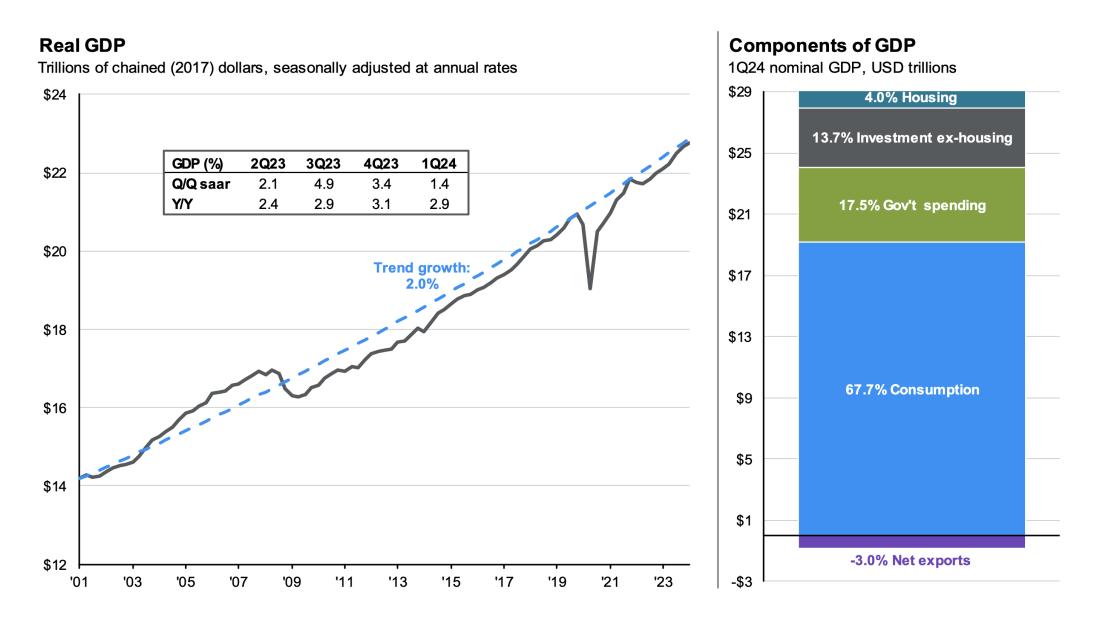


Source: Compustat, FactSet, Standard & Poor's, J.P. Morgan Asset Management.

Historical EPS levels are based on annual pro-forma earnings per share. \*2024, 2025 and 2026 EPS growth are based on consensus analyst estimates for each calendar year. Past performance is not indicative of future returns. Guide to the Markets – U.S. Data are as of June 30, 2024.

### **Economic Growth**

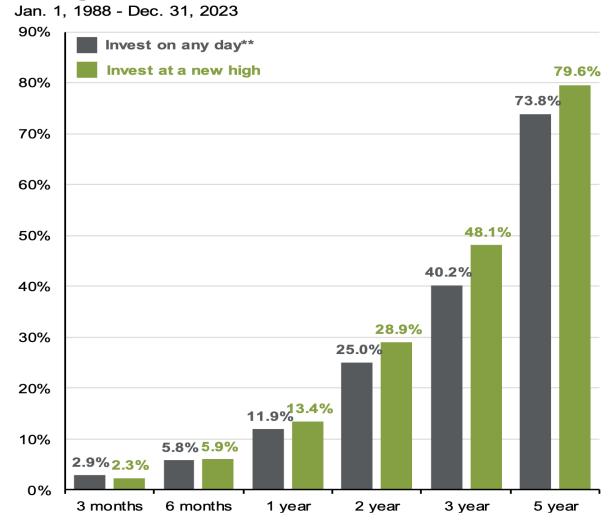




### **Investing at All-Time Highs?**



#### Average cumulative S&P 500 total returns

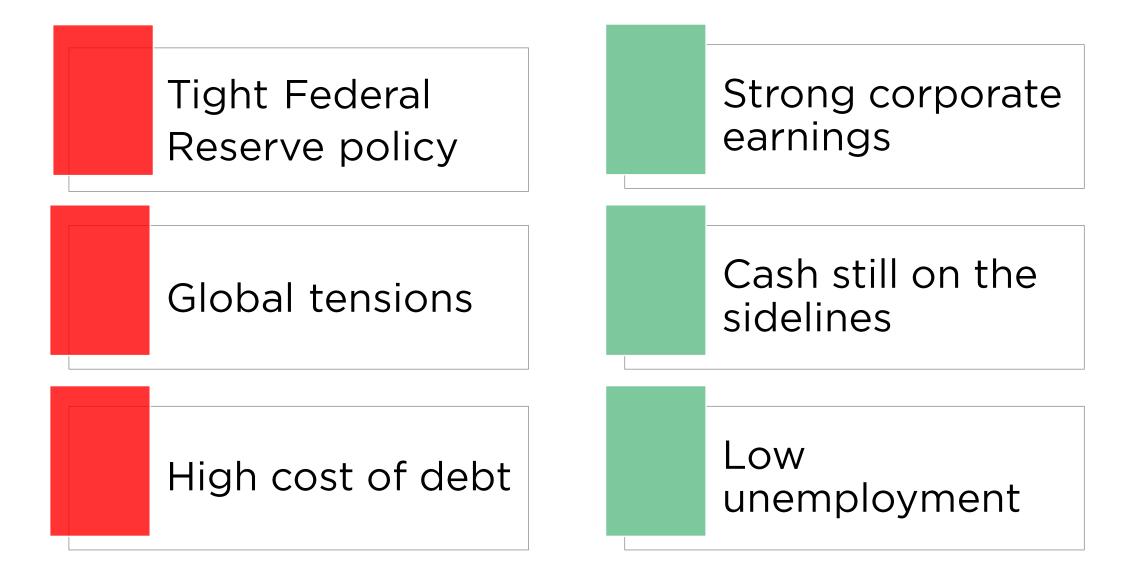


Source: FactSet, FRB, Refinitiv Datastream, Robert Shiller, Standard & Poor's, Thomson Reuters, J.P. Morgan Asset Management.

Price-to-earnings is price divided by consensus analyst estimates of earnings per share for the next 12 months as provided by IBES since March 1994 and by FactSet since January 2022. Average P/E and standard deviations are calculated using 30 years of history. Shiller's P/E uses trailing 10-years of inflation-adjusted earnings as reported by companies. Dividend yield is calculated as the next 12-months consensus dividend divided by most recent price. Price-to-book ratio is the price divided by book value per share. Price-to-cash flow is price divided by NTM cash flow. EY minus Baa yield is the forward earnings yield (consensus analyst estimates of EPS over the next 12 months divided by price) minus the Moody's Baa seasoned corporate bond yield. Std. dev. over/under-valued is calculated using the average and standard deviation over 30 years for each measure. \*Averages and standard deviations for dividend yield and P/CF are since November 1995 due to data availability. Guide to the Markets – U.S. Data are as of June 30, 2024.

### **Headwinds and Tailwinds**







## **Politics and Investing**

### **Election 2024**

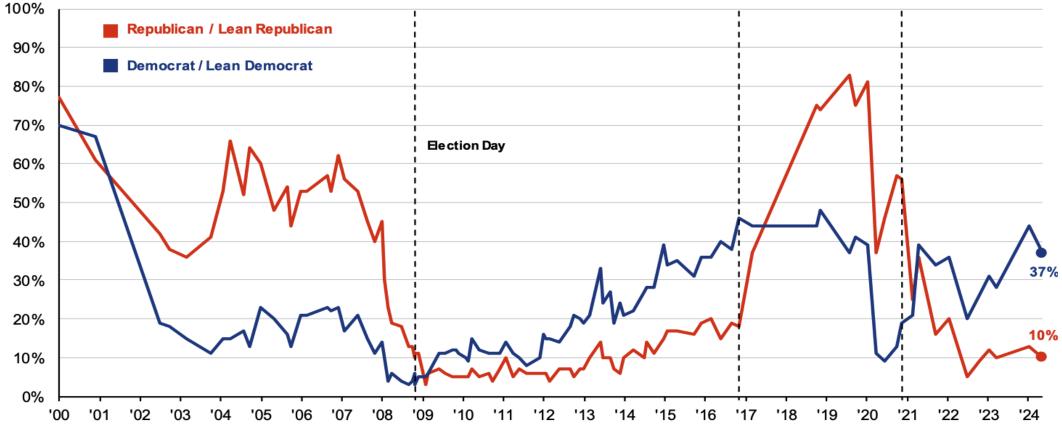




### **Election 2024**



#### Percentage of Republicans and Democrats who rate national economic conditions as excellent or good



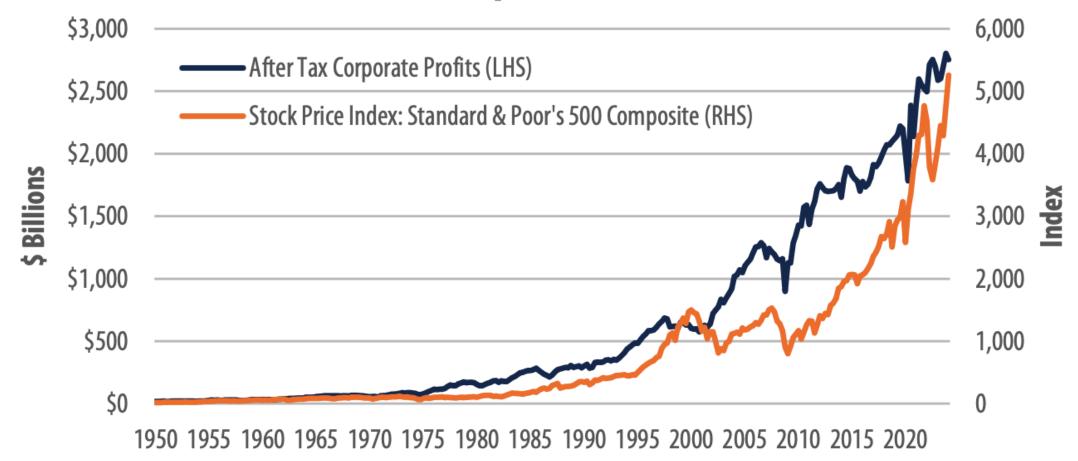
Administrati	on <mark>Bush</mark>	Obama	Trump	Biden
Dates in offi	ce Jan '01 – Jan '09	Jan '09 – Jan '17	Jan '17 – Jan '21	Jan '21 – Today
S&P 500 ret	rn -4.5%	16.3%	16.0%	12.4%
Real GDP gro	wth 1.9%	2.2%	1.8%	2.7%

Source: Pew Research Center, J.P. Morgan Asset Management. The survey was last conducted in May 2024, "Public's Positive Economic Ratings Slip; Inflation Still Widely Viewed as Major Problem." Pew Research Center asks the question: "Thinking about the nation's economy, How would you rate economic conditions in this country today... as excellent, good, only fair, or poor?". S&P 500 returns are average annualized total returns between presidential inauguration dates and are updated monthly. Real GDP growth are average annualized GDP growth rates. Guide to the Markets – U.S. Data are as of June 30, 2024.

### **Profits Drive Price**



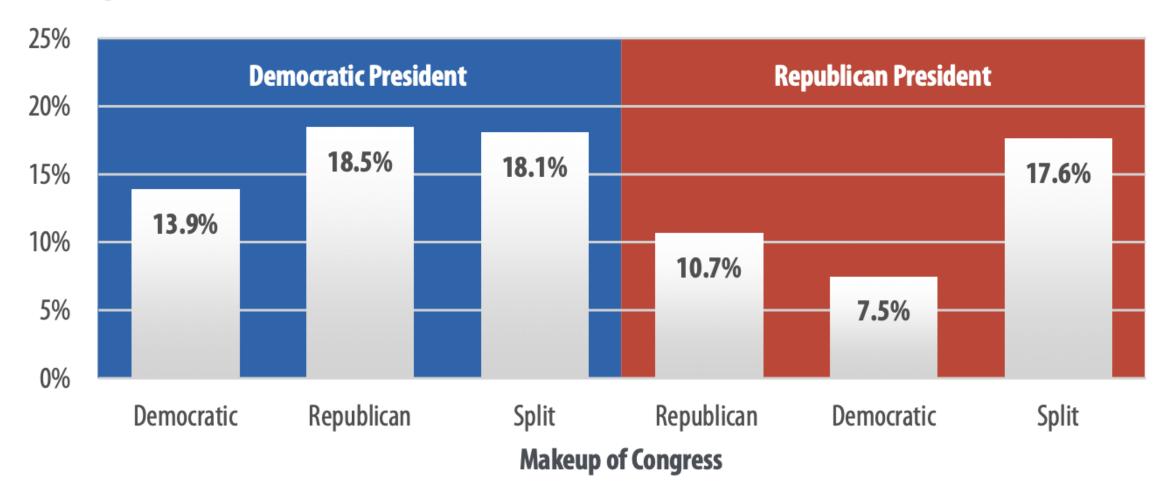
### S&P 500 Price Index vs. U.S. Corporate Profits



### **S&P 500 Performance**

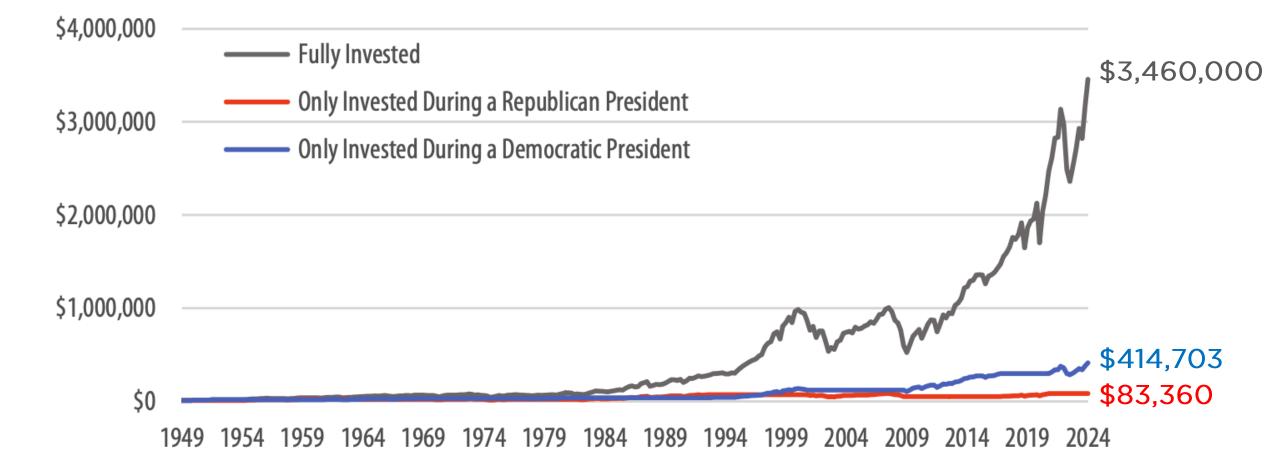


### Average S&P 500 Index Total Return Annual Performance 1949-2023



### Non-partisan investing pays off



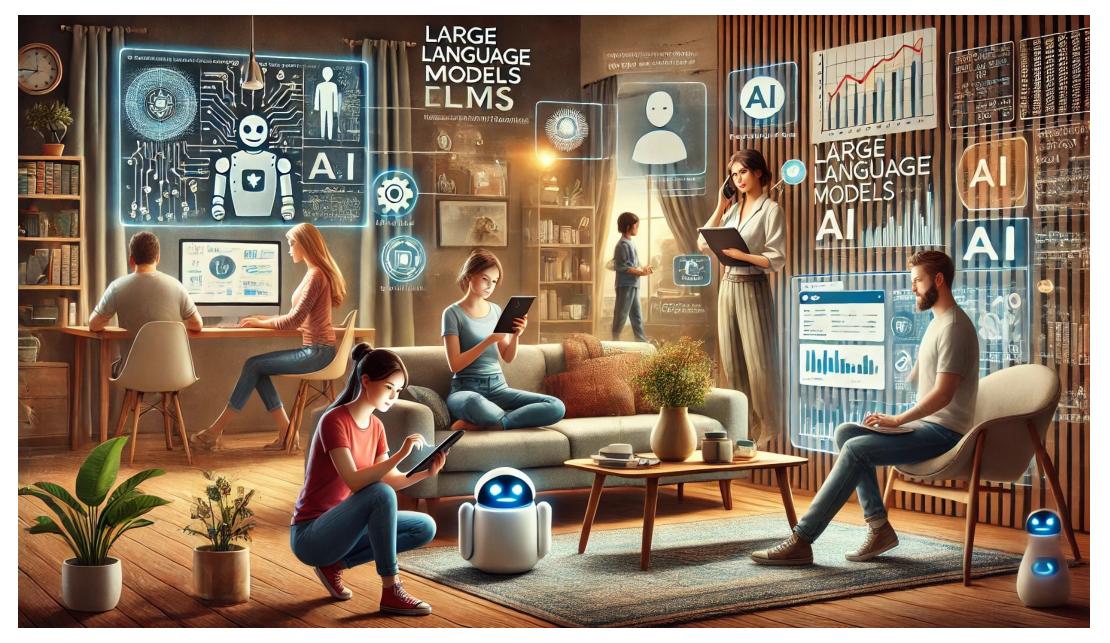




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### Should you use it?





### **In Summary**



- The election is front and center, but a long-term investment focus is key to success.
- Risk management strategies will continue to be a key tool in mitigating the potential risk going forward.
- The Fed tightening cycle has most likely ended and we expect a pivot in September.
- Through it all, our focus: quality investments, proper diversification and a disciplined process.

### Wealth Management Matrix



Investment	Retirement	Risk	Estate	Tax	Business		
Management	Planning	Management	Planning	Planning	Planning		
Asset	Income	Asset	Document	Corporate	401(k)		
Allocation	Distribution	Protection	Review	Benefits	Plan Design		
Manager	Scenario	Liability	Estate Tax	Deferral	Deferred		
Research	Analysis	Insurance	Mitigation	Techniques	Comp.		
Performance	Benefit	Long-term	Beneficiary	Loss	Succession		
Analysis	Planning	Care Insurance	Review	Harvesting	Planning		
Education	Social Security	Life/Disability	Charitable	Dividend	Buy/Sell		
Funding	Optimization	Insurance	Planning	Strategies	Agreements		
Trust	Tax	Prop/Casualty	Proper Use	"Stretch"	Key Man		
Management	Efficiency	Insurance	of Trusts	Planning	Insurance		

### **Our Team!**





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