



The Market Place

- Global equities returned 1.1% last week
- Most World indices saw positive returns
- Brent crude rose 2.3% to \$85.57 per barrel
- Gold rose 2.4% to \$1797.63 per ounce

US

US equities returned 1.2% last week

Comments from Federal Reserve chairman Jerome Powell signalling smaller interest rate hikes going forward drove U.S. Treasury yields lower this week. He also highlighted the risk of relaxing monetary policy too soon and reiterated that the peak interest rate for this tightening cycle is likely to be “somewhat higher” than previously estimated

Data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics showed that the number of job openings declined by about 353,000 to 10.3 million—a level that was slightly below a consensus estimate for 10.4 million available positions

Europe

European equities returned 0.5% last week, the seventh consecutive week of gains

European Central Bank (ECB) Governing Council member François Villeroy de Galhau says the ECB should raise interest rates by 0.5% this month to help tame surging consumer prices, adding that inflation should peak during the first half of 2023

French President Emmanuel Macron says he and Joe Biden agreed to “fix” a dispute over the U.S. president’s Inflation Reduction Act, which includes new subsidies for North American-made electric vehicles that allies have criticized

The European Union agreed a price cap on Russian oil at \$60 a barrel, paving the way for a wider Group of Seven deal. Moscow says it won't accept the barrel price cap agreed by the bloc

UK

UK equities returned 0.9% last week

Swati Dhingra, the newest member of the bank’s monetary policy committee says The Bank of England’s benchmark interest rate should peak below 4.5% if the central bank wants to avoid deepening and prolonging a recession

The Confederation of British Industry has warned the UK economy faces a decade of lost growth unless the government acts on investment tax reliefs, the Northern Ireland protocol, and the shrinking workforce

Asia / ROW

Global emerging market equities returned 3.5% last week

Japanese equities fell 3.1% last week

Chinese equities returned 8.1% last week

Japan’s industrial production fell 2.6% month on month in October. The decline, stemmed from decreases across the production machinery, electronic parts and devices, and chemicals industries

Chinese authorities eased COVID-19 testing requirements across major cities over the weekend as Beijing appears to be engineering a gradual shift away from its strict COVID-19 Zero policy amid elevated cases and public protests

The Organisation of the Petroleum Exporting Countries+ alliance decided to maintain production at current levels, pausing to take stock of a global oil market that’s roiled by uncertainty over Chinese demand and Russian supply



Performance

Asset Class/Region	Currency				
		Week ending 2 Dec 2022	Month to date	YTD 2022	12 Months
Developed Market Equities					
United States	USD	1.2%	-0.2%	-13.7%	-10.0%
United Kingdom	GBP	0.9%	-0.2%	8.4%	12.3%
Continental Europe	EUR	0.5%	0.7%	-8.9%	-4.5%
Japan	JPY	-3.1%	-1.6%	0.6%	4.2%
Asia Pacific (ex Japan)	USD	3.7%	0.7%	-16.5%	-16.2%
Australia	AUD	0.6%	0.2%	2.4%	5.7%
Global	USD	1.1%	0.5%	-14.1%	-10.7%
Emerging markets equities					
Emerging Europe	USD	-0.9%	-0.1%	-72.9%	-73.6%
Emerging Asia	USD	4.4%	0.6%	-20.0%	-20.4%
Emerging Latin America	USD	3.1%	-0.3%	13.1%	16.4%
BRICs	USD	6.3%	0.5%	-21.6%	-23.3%
China	USD	8.7%	0.9%	-25.1%	-27.7%
MENA countries	USD	-0.1%	-0.2%	-4.0%	-1.5%
South Africa	USD	-3.8%	-6.1%	-6.1%	-4.8%
India	USD	1.4%	-0.2%	-0.1%	0.3%
Global emerging markets	USD	3.5%	0.2%	-18.8%	-18.9%
Bonds					
US Treasuries	USD	1.5%	1.1%	-10.5%	-11.0%
US Treasuries (inflation protected)	USD	2.7%	2.0%	-9.9%	-9.6%
US Corporate (investment grade)	USD	1.7%	1.6%	-13.9%	-13.9%
US High Yield	USD	0.9%	0.8%	-9.8%	-8.4%
UK Gilts	GBP	-1.1%	-0.4%	-21.6%	-23.7%
UK Corporate (investment grade)	GBP	-0.4%	0.0%	-18.3%	-19.5%
Euro Government Bonds	EUR	0.9%	0.7%	-13.9%	-15.5%
Euro Corporate (investment grade)	EUR	0.9%	0.7%	-12.0%	-12.4%
Euro High Yield	EUR	0.3%	0.4%	-10.5%	-10.0%
Japanese Government	JPY	-0.1%	0.2%	-4.3%	-4.4%
Australian Government	AUD	1.3%	0.9%	-7.6%	-7.5%
Global Government Bonds	USD	1.6%	1.9%	-15.7%	-16.5%
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Global Convertible Bonds	USD	1.8%	2.1%	-17.5%	-17.5%
Emerging Market Bonds	USD	2.4%	1.5%	-23.5%	-23.0%



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Property					
US Property Securities	USD	0.7%	-0.5%	-21.6%	-15.8%
Australian Property Securities	AUD	-0.6%	-1.6%	-20.8%	-16.7%
Asia Property Securities	USD	-0.3%	-1.6%	-11.6%	-11.6%
Global Property Securities	USD	0.4%	0.0%	-21.4%	-17.4%
Currencies					
Euro	USD	1.2%	2.0%	-7.6%	-6.9%
UK Pound Sterling	USD	1.5%	2.8%	-9.3%	-7.7%
Japanese Yen	USD	3.3%	3.5%	-14.6%	-15.9%
Australian Dollar	USD	0.8%	1.3%	-6.6%	-4.2%
South African Rand	USD	-2.3%	-3.1%	-9.0%	-8.8%
Swiss Franc	USD	0.8%	1.5%	-2.8%	-1.8%
Chinese Yuan	USD	1.6%	0.5%	-9.9%	-9.6%
Commodities & Alternatives					
Commodities	USD	1.1%	-1.0%	19.5%	27.3%
Agricultural Commodities	USD	-1.1%	-1.9%	5.7%	9.0%
Oil	USD	2.3%	0.2%	10.0%	22.8%
Gold	USD	2.4%	2.6%	-1.7%	1.9%
Hedge funds	USD	0.3%	0.1%	-4.2%	-3.7%



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