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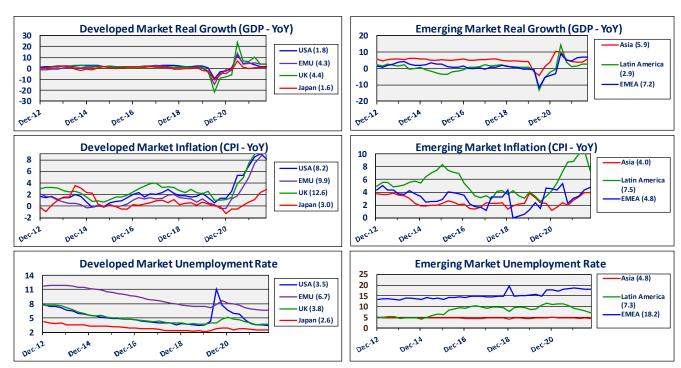
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Third Quarter 2022

Global Market and Economic Perspective

Global Economic Commentary

- **❖** The third quarter of 2022 saw weak GDP growth in many countries, including the US, China, and Germany. Although growth was anemic, in most cases it was above consensus expectations.
- ❖ Growth in the US was enough to offset the declines in the first two quarters of the year. Unfortunately, consumer spending was weak and private sector investment decreased sharply. Government spending and exports were the bright spots, although the strong dollar should dampen exports in the future.
- ❖ Inflation remained elevated globally, with Japan being a notable exception to the trend. Although headline CPI in the US fell slightly from its high in June due to a decline in fuel prices, core CPI (ex-food and energy) continued its upward trend, due to the important and heavily weighted housing component. The UK and countries in much of continental Europe continued to suffer from very high inflation, due to the ongoing effects on food and energy markets resulting from Russia's invasion of Ukraine.
- **❖** The US unemployment rate during the third quarter remained near historic lows around 3.5%, and the number of employed persons finally reached pre-Covid employment levels. However, the labor force participation rate was still well below previous highs, as early retirees and discouraged workers remained out of the labor force.



Notes: Emerging market economic statistics are estimated by region using eight countries, which represent roughly 80% of the MSCI Emerging Market Equity Index.

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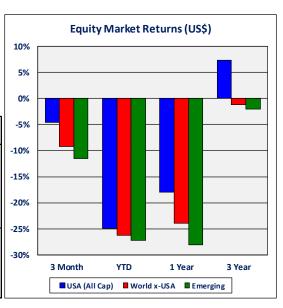
Global Market and Economic Perspective – Q3 2022

Global Equity and Currency Commentary

- Most developed and emerging equity markets produced losses during the third quarter. Several factors were responsible for the poor performance, including aggressive interest rate hikes by a number of central banks to address persistently high inflation. An increase in core interest rates hurts equity values by effectively raising the discount rates used to determine the present value of future earnings.
- ❖ In contrast to the first half of the year, growth-oriented stocks did not fare as poorly as value stocks in the third quarter. Small-cap stocks in the US performed slightly better than large and mid-cap stocks, likely as a result of their lower exposure to foreign income. The strong dollar has had a negative effect on US companies' non-US revenues and earnings.
- Developed non-US equity markets performed better than US equities in the third quarter, whereas emerging markets fell by more than the US market. The aforementioned strength of the US dollar detracted from both foreign developed and emerging markets, which helped US equities in relative terms.

Global Equity Market Returns (MSCI)

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	Returns (US\$)							
9/30/2022	3 Month	YTD	1 Year	3 Year				
<u>United States</u>								
USA (All Cap)	-4.6%	-24.9%	-18.0%	7.4%				
USA Growth	-3.6%	-32.4%	-25.7%	10.4%				
USA Value	-5.9%	-17.8%	-9.9%	3.6%				
USA SC Growth	-1.1%	-29.1%	-28.3%	4.9%	Returns (Local)			
USA SC Value	-3.7%	-18.4%	-13.5%	4.7%	3 Month	YTD	1 Year	3 Year
Foreign Developed								
World x-USA	-9.2%	-26.2%	-23.9%	-1.2%	-3.4%	-14.2%	-10.6%	2.8%
Europe	-10.1%	-28.8%	-24.8%	-1.7%	-4.1%	-17.2%	-11.8%	1.2%
Far East	-8.5%	-25.3%	-28.2%	-2.9%	-3.4%	-9.3%	-10.5%	5.4%
Australia	-6.7%	-18.1%	-16.4%	0.5%	-0.3%	-7.4%	-6.1%	2.1%
Canada	-7.9%	-18.9%	-13.1%	4.1%	-1.9%	-11.8%	-5.7%	5.4%
Emerging Markets								
Emerging	-11.6%	-27.2%	-28.1%	-2.1%	-8.2%	-20.8%	-21.5%	1.1%
Asia	-14.0%	-28.8%	-29.5%	-0.8%	-10.6%	-22.3%	-23.2%	1.4%
Latin America	3.6%	3.0%	0.2%	-3.4%	6.1%	1.7%	0.6%	2.9%
EMEA	-5.3%	-32.2%	-33.8%	-6.5%	-1.8%	-23.1%	-22.7%	-0.6%

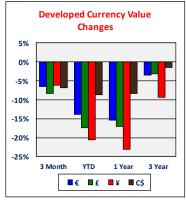


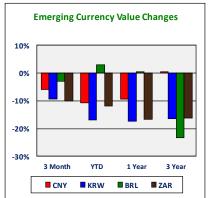
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Foreign Exchange Rate History (Bloomberg)

	Current	Change (Foreign Currency versus \$)				
9/30/2022	Level	3 Month	YTD	1 Year	3 Year	
<u>Developed</u>						
Euro (€)	0.98	-6.5%	-13.8%	-15.4%	-3.5%	
British Pound (£)	1.12	-8.3%	-17.5%	-17.1%	-3.1%	
Japanese Yen (¥)	145	-6.2%	-20.5%	-23.1%	-9.3%	
Canadian Dollar (C\$)	1.38	-6.9%	-8.6%	-8.3%	-1.4%	
Emerging						
Chinese Renminbi (CNY)	7.12	-5.9%	-10.7%	-9.4%	0.5%	
Korean Won (KRW)	1432	-9.3%	-16.9%	-17.3%	-16.5%	
Brazilian Real (BRL)	5.41	-2.9%	2.9%	0.5%	-23.2%	
South African Rand (ZAR)	18.09	-10.0%	-11.9%	-16.7%	-16.3%	

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US Fixed Income and Fed Commentary

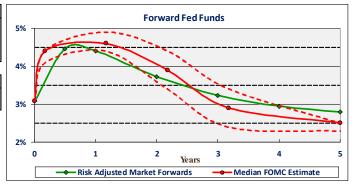
- ❖ During the third quarter, the Federal Reserve continued on their path of tightening monetary policy to address the elevated inflation that US consumers are experiencing. At both the July and September FOMC meetings, the Fed raised their policy interest rate, the Fed Funds rate, by 0.75%. At the end of the third quarter, the Fed's target for the Fed Funds rate was 3.0% to 3.25%, which is well above the range of 0.0%-0.25% in the first quarter.
- ❖ The Fed's aggressive increases in short-term interest rates caused rates along the entire yield curve to rise sharply. Investment grade bonds have turned in one of their worst returns in history, as capital losses due to price declines have overwhelmed the low yields that investors started the year earning. During the third quarter alone, the investment grade bond index lost over 4.5%, which brought the loss since the start of the year to more than 14.5%, which is a number that is more typical for equities than it is for high quality bonds.
- ❖ Higher yields were also reflected in mortgages, with the average interest rate on a 30-year fixed-rate mortgage more than doubling from its late-2021 level around 3%. As a result, affordability declined and home prices began falling in a number of cities in the third quarter. The weakening housing market was reflected in pending home sales, which have fallen for 11 of the 12 months through September of this year.

FOMC Fed Funds Rate Projections as of September 2022 Meeting							
	Current	Dec-22	Dec-23	Dec-24	Dec-25	Long Run	
Lower	3.08%	4.10%	4.40%	3.40%	2.40%	2.30%	
Median	3.08%	4.40%	4.60%	3.90%	2.90%	2.50%	
Upper	3.08%	4.40%	4.90%	4.40%	3.40%	2.50%	

Market Implied Fed Funds Rate as of Oct 03, 2022						
Current	6 Month	1 Year	2 Year	3 Year	4 Year	5 Year
3.08%	4.46%	4.40%	3.72%	3.23%	2.95%	2.79%

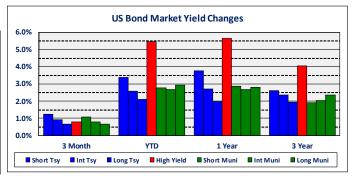
Notes

Upper and lower bands show central tendency for FOMC projections. Market implied Fed Funds rates are risk adjusted.



US Bond Yield and Spread History (Bloomberg)

	Current	Change Through September 2022				
	Level	3 Month	YTD	1 Year	3 Year	
US Treasury						
Short	4.25%	1.23%	3.36%	3.75%	2.62%	
Intermediate	3.97%	0.91%	2.57%	2.69%	2.34%	
Long	4.00%	0.66%	2.10%	1.97%	1.93%	
US High Yield						
Yield	9.68%	0.79%	5.46%	5.64%	4.03%	
Spread	5.51%	-0.18%	2.68%	2.64%	1.78%	
Tax-Exempt Muni.						
Short	3.22%	1.07%	2.76%	2.85%	1.91%	
Intermediate	3.59%	0.78%	2.68%	2.67%	2.04%	
Long	4.34%	0.66%	2.93%	2.81%	2.36%	



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