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Market review



Economic overview

- Global economic activity strengthened in the first quarter of 2024. The US remained resilient, and signs of recovery were evident in Canada, Europe, and China.
- A common thread has been the collective health of consumers, who have navigated the higher interest rate environment more robustly than expected through a combination of higher real incomes and strong wealth effects.
- Efforts to return inflation to central bank policy targets have also made substantial progress. But the last mile is proving the hardest, as expected, and service sector inflation has remained sticky, particularly in the US.



Fixed income

- Fixed income markets struggled during the first quarter. Canada Universe bonds posted a small negative return, and global bonds a slightly larger decline. Corporate bonds were broadly flat.
- The primary driver of this performance was less constructive news on inflation, with progress back towards policy targets stalling in several countries, particularly the US.
- With inflation staying higher than expected in recent months, the magnitude of expected central bank policy easing cycles has been reduced. This caused bond yields to back up to the higher end of the ranges we expect to prevail over the coming 12 months.



Equities

Canada:

- After a slow January, the S&P/TSX Composite Index posted strong gains of 6.6% overall in Q1, with gains in 9 of 11 Global Industry Classification Standard sectors.
- This performance partly reflected the improving global economic environment, including in Canada. Canadian GDP data have shown signs of recovery after a weak patch in the middle of 2023, and the consumer remains surprisingly resilient.
- After 2 years of relative underperformance, this market's valuation looks relatively attractive setting the stage for a period of catch-up performance helped by economic recovery.

US:

- The equity market has continued to be driven by the surprising resilience of GDP growth and the positive outlook for technology and artificial intelligence. Performance was not significantly impacted by revisions to the outlook for central bank policy stance.
- The S&P 500 Index rose by 10.5% USD, led by companies with exposure to artificial intelligence adoption and technologies.
- Market performance remained narrow, although the 'Magnificent 7' theme showed signs of fraying, with only four of the seven outperforming the S&P 500. We also saw evidence of 'catch-up' performance as Healthcare, Energy, and Materials made a bigger contribution to S&P 500 performance towards the end of the quarter.

International:

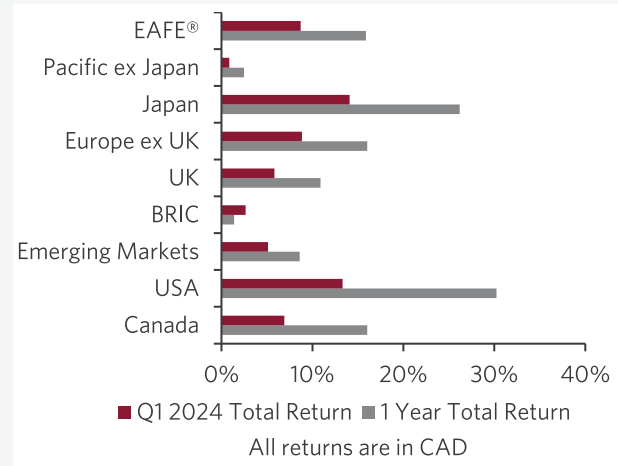
- International markets gained on the hopes of rate cuts following an announcement that Switzerland became the first developed economy to begin an easing cycle.
- Consumer confidence in emerging markets outpaced developed markets, led by India, Indonesia, Mexico, and Brazil.
- The MSCI EAFE® Index gained 8.7% CAD in Q1, with double-digit gains in four sectors including the information technology sector which returned over 17% CAD.

Summary in charts

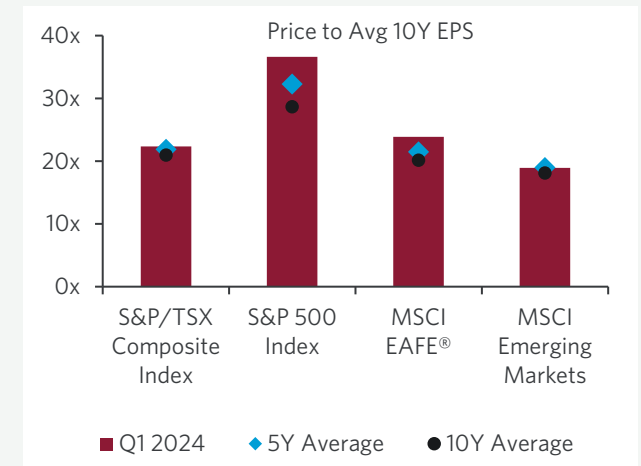
A traditional 60/40 equity and fixed income balanced portfolio outperformed cash over 3 months, 6 months and 1 year.

3 Months	6 Months	1 Year
US Equities 13.46%	US Equities 23.60%	US Equities 29.87%
Global Equities 11.87%	Global Equities 21.69%	Global Equities 25.71%
International Equities 8.71%	International Equities 17.12%	International Equities 15.89%
Canadian Equities 6.62%	Canadian Equities 15.25%	Canadian Equities 13.94%
Canadian Dividend 6.62%	Canadian Dividend 14.42%	Balanced Portfolio 13.34%
Balanced Portfolio 5.13%	Balanced Portfolio 12.94%	Canadian Dividend 12.93%
Emerging Market Equities 5.13%	Emerging Market Equities 10.67%	Canadian High Yield 11.19%
Canadian High Yield 2.96%	Canadian High Yield 9.25%	Emerging Market Equities 8.58%
Cash 1.24%	Canadian Corporate Bonds 7.70%	Canadian Corporate Bonds 5.50%
Global Bonds 0.15%	Core Bonds 6.94%	Cash 4.84%
Canadian Corporate Bonds 0.07%	Canadian Gov Bonds 6.69%	Core Bonds 2.10%
Core Bonds -1.22%	Global Bonds 5.57%	Canadian Gov Bonds 0.95%
Canadian Gov Bonds -1.66%	Cash 2.54%	Global Bonds -0.85%

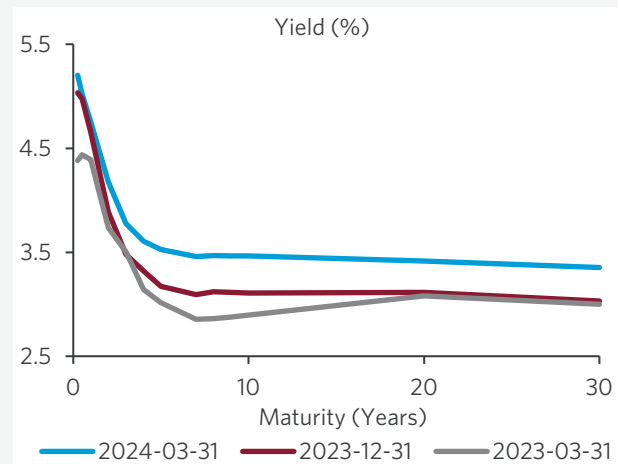
Investor optimism around US economic resilience and the “Magnificent Seven” has driven stocks up...



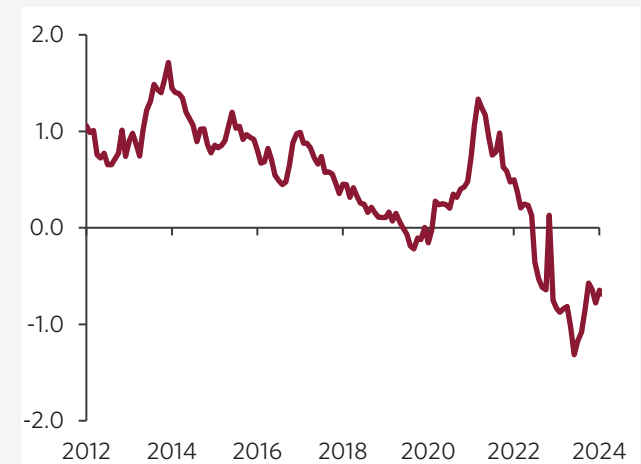
...moving valuations to or slightly above their longer-term averages.



The yield curve began to normalize as longer-dated yields rose relative to cash.



A lower rate on longer-dated bonds vs. short-term bonds means investors weren't paid for taking term risk.



Benchmark Proxies: MSCI EAFE® (EAFE®), MSCI Pacific ex Japan (Pacific ex Japan), MSCI Japan (Japan), MSCI Europe ex UK (Europe ex UK), MSCI UK (UK), MSCI BRIC (BRIC), MSCI Emerging Markets (Emerging Markets). The Balanced Portfolio is composed as follows: 21.5% Canadian Bonds, 16.5% Canadian Stocks, 25% US Stocks, 15% International Stocks, 3.5% Emerging Market Stocks, 5% T-Bills, and 13.5% Global Bonds. Source: MSCI Indices, TSX © Copyright 2022 TSX Inc. All rights reserved., Bloomberg, Rimes Technologies Inc. "EAFE" is a registered trademark of MSCI Inc., used under license. Data available as of March 31, 2024.

Message from our Portfolio Solutions Research Forum

The first quarter of 2024 saw a major shift in the market's sentiment around aggressive rate cuts for the year. The US Federal Reserve (the Fed) has been consistent in estimating three rate cuts for 2024 in its median forecast contained in its Summary of Economic Projections. However, the 30-Day Fed Funds Futures market saw the probability of seven rate cuts by December 2024 go from 58.9% on January 12, 2024 to 0% by April 10, 2024. In fact, the Fed Funds Futures market is now looking at two rate cuts as having the highest odds this year.

While the effects of this extreme shift in expectations were negative for bond market returns—the FTSE Canada Universe Bond Index was down -1.22% for the quarter—the equity markets shrugged off any concerns about a higher for longer environment. US equities led the charge, with the S&P 500 up 13.46% over Q1. The EAFE® index trailed at 8.71%, and the S&P/TSX Capped Composite index was further behind at 6.62%.

The reduction in market expectations for lower policy rates was the result of economic data that showed inflation remaining stubborn, while economic growth remained robust. The resilience of the economy in the face of the rapid increase in administered interest rates has been surprising. However, the equity markets appear to be more focused on the outlook for earnings driven by innovation, rather than worrying about any lagged effects of rate hikes.

Ultimately, investors received above average returns from equities and below average returns from bonds over the quarter. The net effect is that a typical 60/40 portfolio delivered robust and “on-purpose” returns over the quarter. While negative returns on bonds are unpleasant, the results over Q1 2024 do not violate the principle of diversification which states that complementary assets should move around their averages in different ways from each other. Bond yields continue to be attractive relative to history, and the conditions for positive capital gains in a flight to safety environment are very much present.

In a positive development, breadth across equities started to expand in the last month of the quarter, and the concentrated US market showed signs of expanding over the quarter. In 2023, only 23% of the stocks in the S&P 500 outperformed the average of the index—in the first quarter of 2024 this number was 40%. Further, 63% of S&P 500 stocks in 2023 had a positive absolute return, while in Q1 2024, 82% of stocks did. In contrast to the first two months of the year, US equities lagged behind Canadian, and EAFE® equities, with a March monthly return of 2.98% versus 4.14% and 3.17% respectively. What's more, value stocks started to outperform the hot growth stocks in the US and internationally over the month.

This increase in the participation level of strong returns in the US market will likely be felt positively in the active management environment for the quarter. In 2023, the median US equity manager (the mid-point of the 1060 strategies in the eVestment US Large Cap Equity Universe) fell short of the S&P 500 by an astounding 516 bps due to the concentration of leadership in the market. These conditions have calmed down in the data points for Q1 2024 so far (with additional data to come), and the result is that the median manager is behind the index by a much more normal 24 bps.

Remaining fully invested, diversified, and disciplined should continue to be top of mind for investors for the rest of 2024. Cash returns underperformed a balanced portfolio over the quarter (as they have over most trailing performance windows), creating an opportunity cost for any investor still on the sidelines in any meaningful way. Once again, trying to time the markets has proven to be difficult, and punitive to financial well-being.

Preparation and not prediction is a better plan for being able to enjoy the compounding effects of financial productivity from equities, and income and downside protection from bonds. Those that are bearishly inclined point to conflicts in the Middle East and other geopolitical risks, ongoing uncertainties in the inflation outlook, and a US election in the back half of the year as reasons to be cautious.

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But the economy has defied expectations despite a challenged rate backdrop, and there is a compelling case for risk assets to do well as breadth continues to expand beyond the narrow segments that have lifted the market. We believe that a combination of fixed and floating rate

bonds and loans across the credit ratings spectrum—combined with liquid and less liquid equities from companies located around the world—will continue to provide the strongest foundation to deliver on purpose no matter what path ultimately follows from here.



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Our asset allocation views



Strategic

There are no changes to our long-term views, or base probability estimates, of relative asset class performance

Our strategic views:

- Equities will remain the cornerstone of wealth generation and will continue to reward investors for additional volatility over risk-free assets.
- Similar to equities, over the long term, corporate bonds will reward investors for additional risk, such as default risk.
- Higher growth in emerging markets relative to developed markets will drive a higher relative return.
- Ahead of potential economic weakness, our priority is to continue to identify diversifying assets that will create value for our clients.



Tactical

Positioned for economic growth with sticky inflation

- Neutral Equities versus Fixed Income.
- Overweight Canada & Emerging Market Equities, underweight International & US small-cap.
- Overweight Global Fixed Income, underweight Canadian Fixed Income.

Our tactical views:

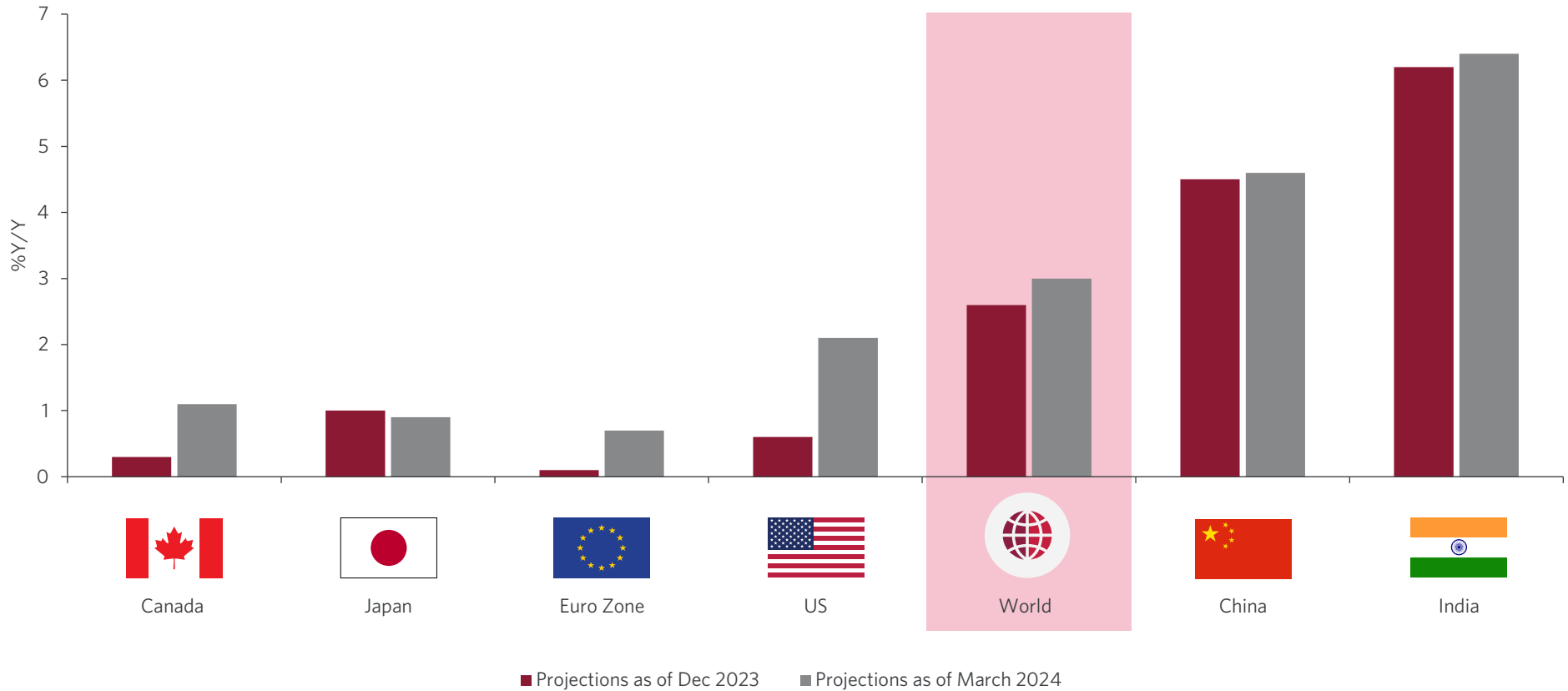
- Cautiously optimistic. US GDP growth has remained resilient; green shoots of recovery elsewhere in global economy.
- Inflation has remained stickier than expected, which could mean central banks will ease policy by less than expected.
- Focused on equity markets with better valuation and scope for cyclical recovery.
- Pick-up in hedged carry motivates our relative fixed income positioning. We see more room for a back-up in Canadian yields on rate cut disappointment.

Economic review

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Global growth projections

Global economic prospects are improving, with global real GDP growth projected to average 3.0% over the next 12 months.



Sources: Refinitiv-Datastream and CIBC Asset Management Inc. Data as of March 31, 2024.

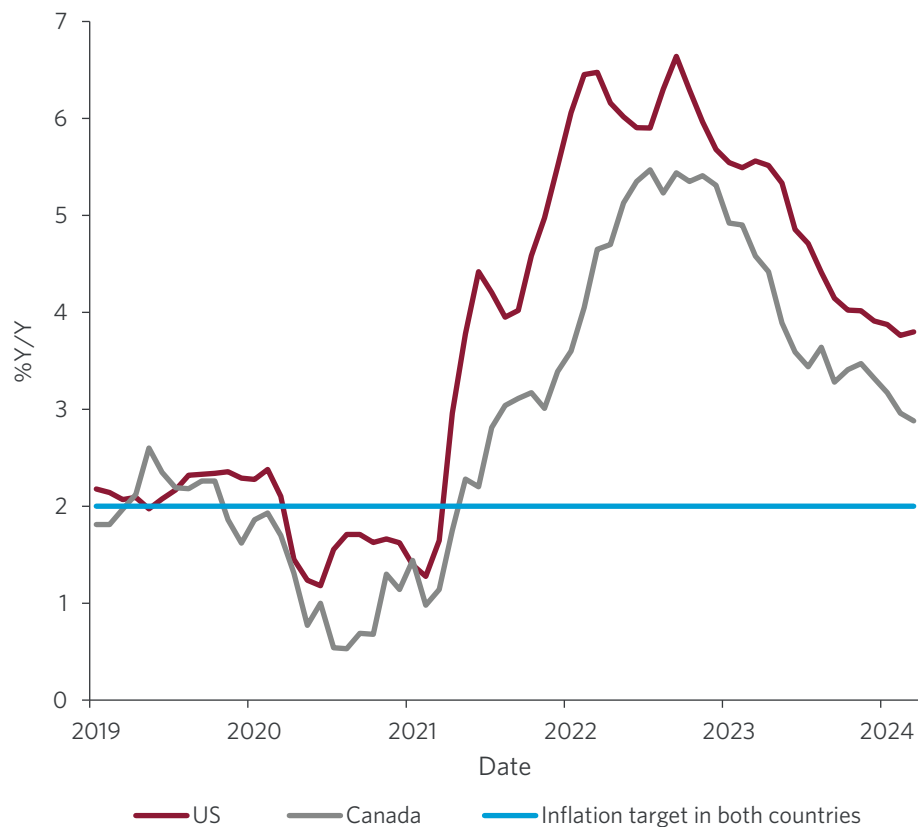


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Inflation in Canada and the US has declined

Returning inflation all the way back to 2% policy targets will likely prove challenging, particularly in the US given resilient growth. This suggests fewer interest rate cuts than currently priced by the market consensus.

CPI excluding food & energy



Canadian consumer price inflation

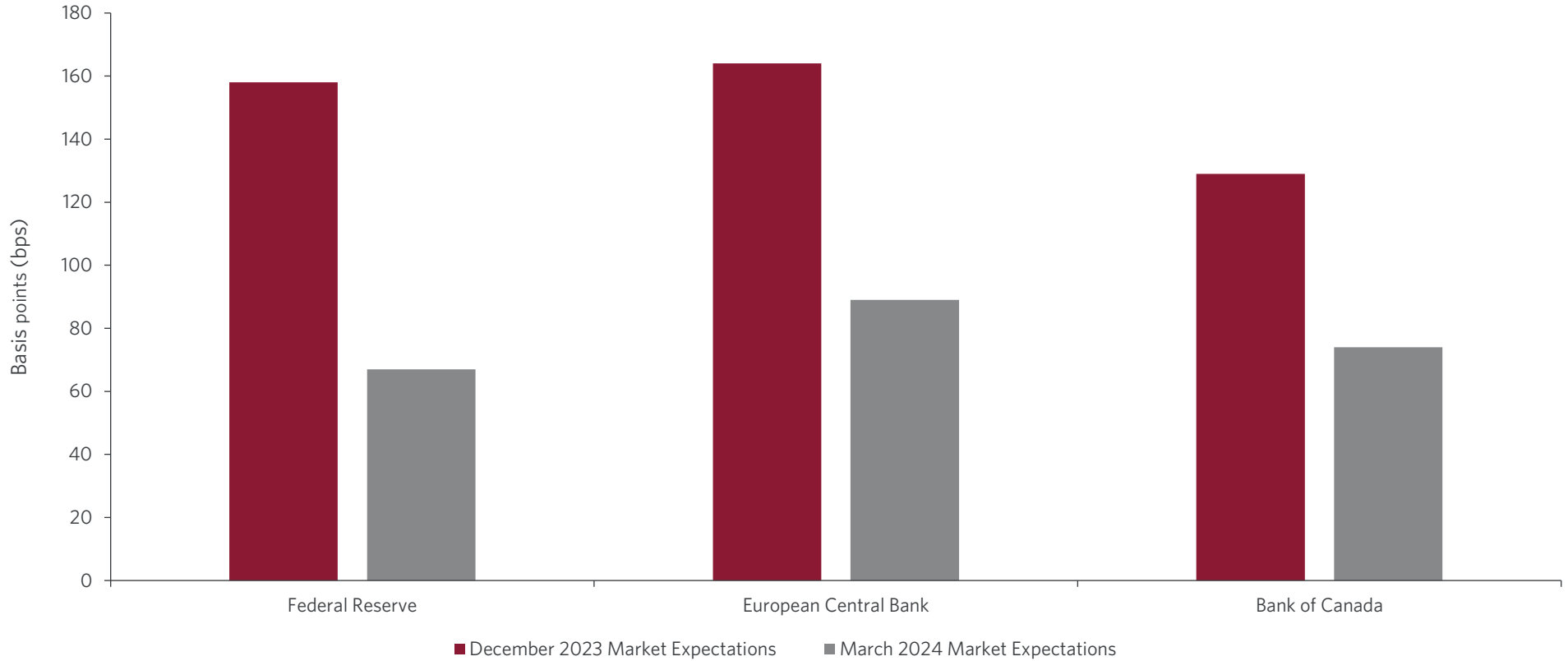
Categories	12-month inflation	Change from previous quarter
CPI	2.9%	-0.5%
Core CPI	2.9%	-0.5%
Food	3.0%	-2.0%
Energy	2.8%	3.2%
Shelter	6.5%	0.5%
Transportation	2.9%	-0.2%
Health and personal care	3.2%	-0.5%
Recreation, education and reading	1.9%	0.2%
Clothing and footwear	-2.7%	-3.6%
Alcoholic beverages and tobacco products	3.2%	-1.1%
Household operations, furnishings and equipment	-2.3%	0.6%

Sources: US Bureau of Labour Statistics, Stats Canada. Available data as of March 2024.

Aggressive policy tightening is in the rear-view but uncertainty remains

Sticky inflation means that the magnitude of expected rate cuts is less than previously priced.

Central bank market expectation of policy rate cuts

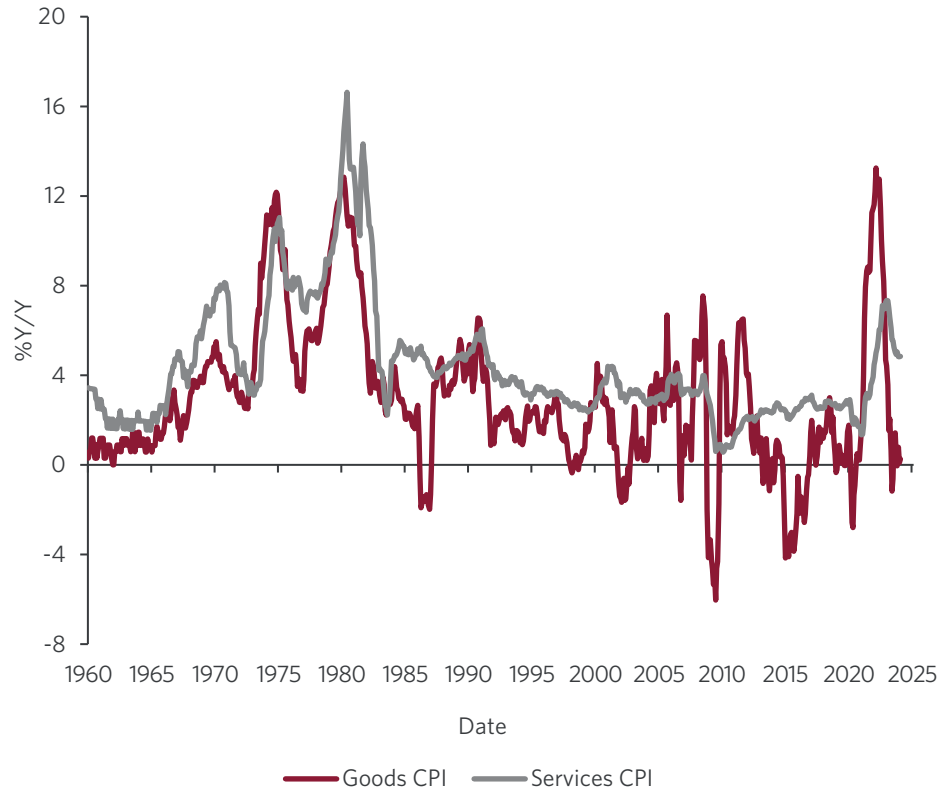


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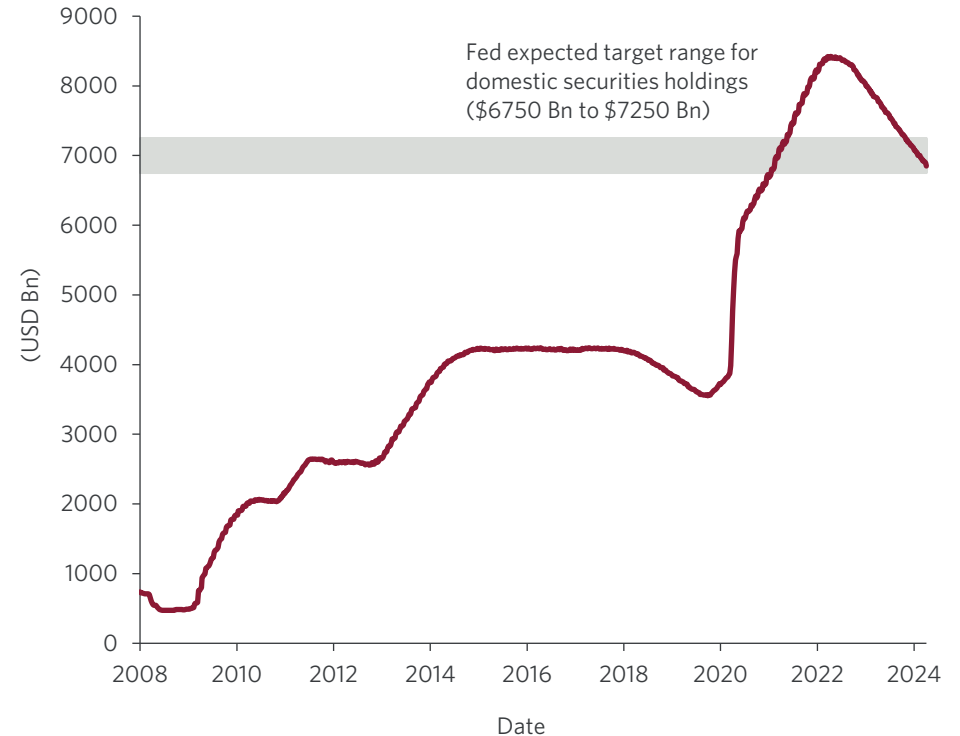
US outlook: Higher for longer, but Fed playing it safe

The US economy has remained resilient despite past interest rate increases, with inflation proving stickier than expected. The Fed is likely to err on the side of caution, delivering fewer rate cuts than the market anticipates, but also keeping ample liquidity in the economy.

US Goods & Services inflation



Fed holdings of Domestic Securities (a proxy for economy-wide liquidity)



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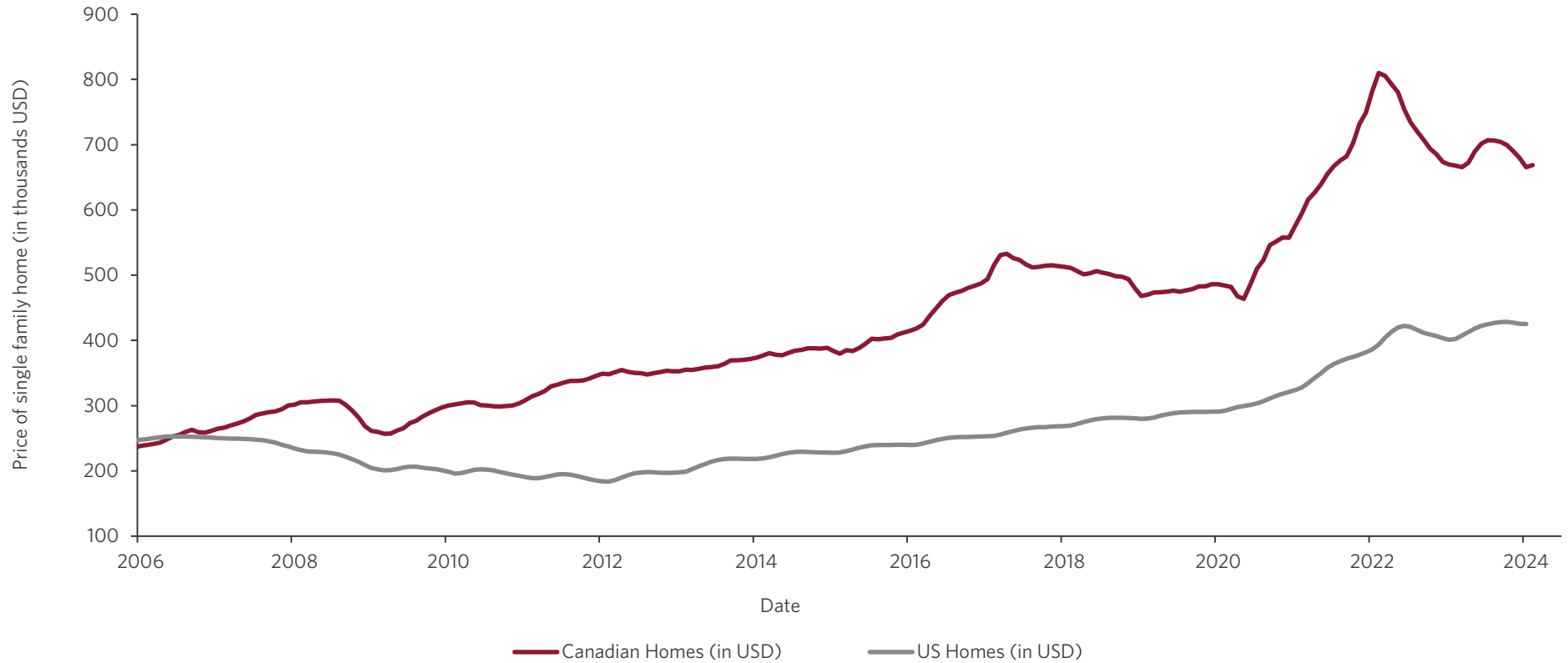


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Canada outlook: Difficult for the BoC to cut more than the Fed

Although Canadian economic activity has not been as resilient as in the US, high wage costs and a persistent housing market imbalance suggest the Bank of Canada is unlikely to loosen policy significantly more than the US Fed.

Wide Canadian housing imbalances still prevail



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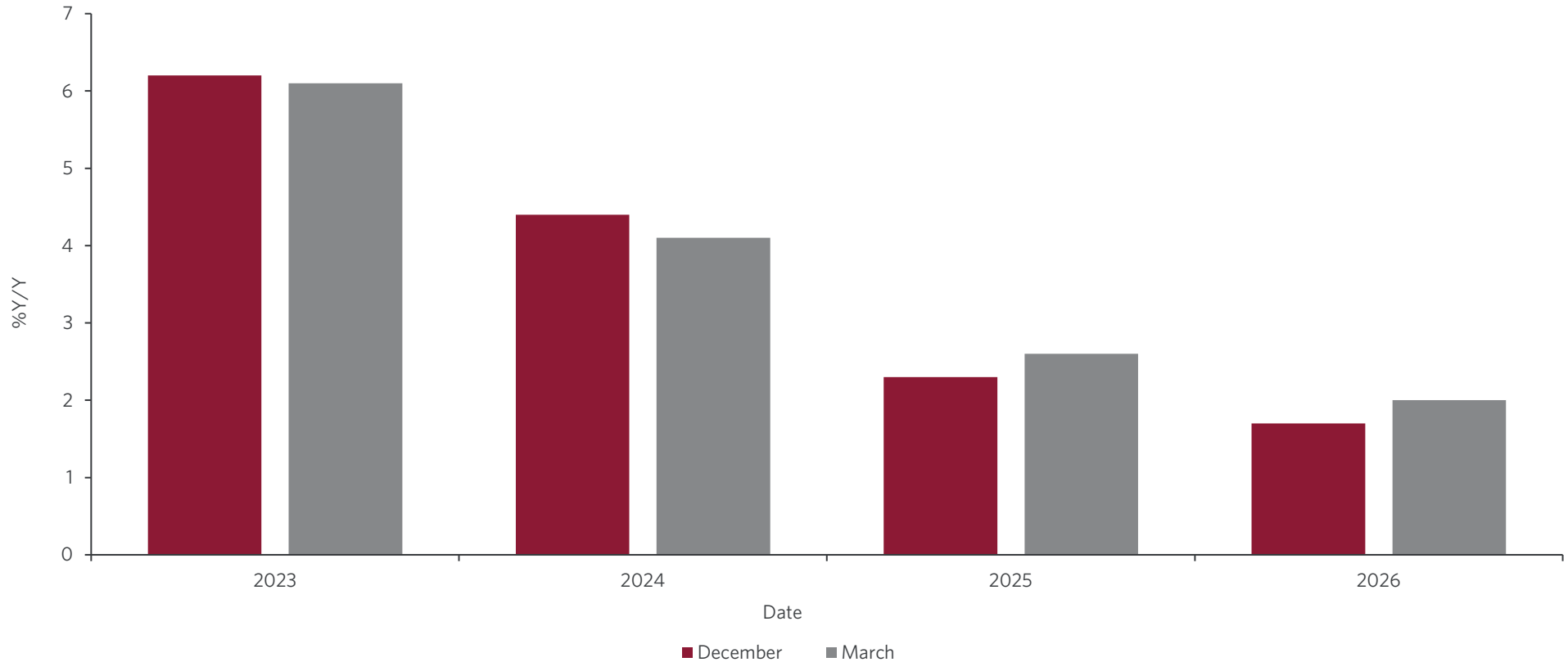


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Eurozone outlook: ECB setting the stage for rate cuts

By projecting a combination of sluggish recovery and weaker inflation, the ECB has set the stage for policy rate cuts this year. We think poor productivity will keep labour costs higher than the ECB expects, which will likely limit the extent of its ability to ease policy.

ECB projections for Unit Labor Cost (ULC) inflation



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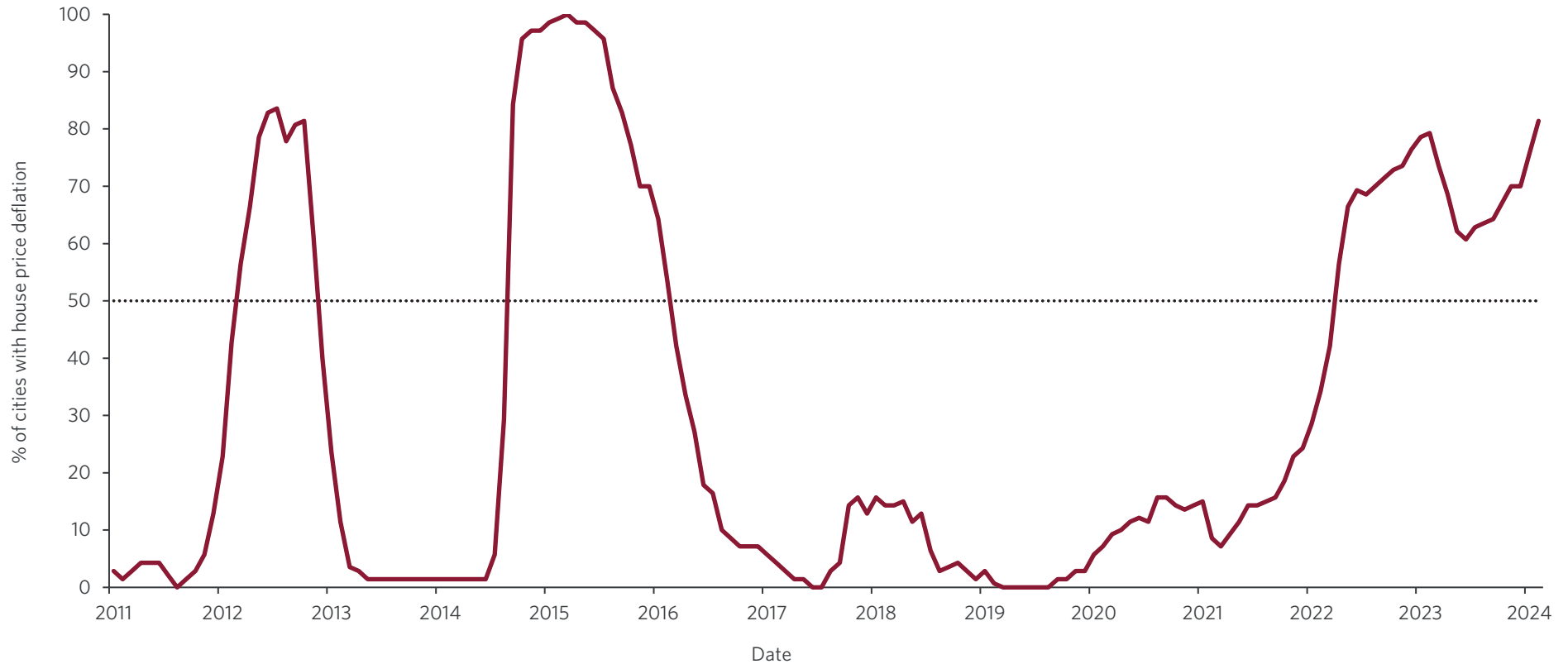


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China outlook: Weak growth to persist

Despite tentative signs of stabilization, Chinese GDP growth is not expected to be strong enough to absorb existing excess supply, particularly in housing. Downward pressure on inflation will remain.

House price deflation diffusion index



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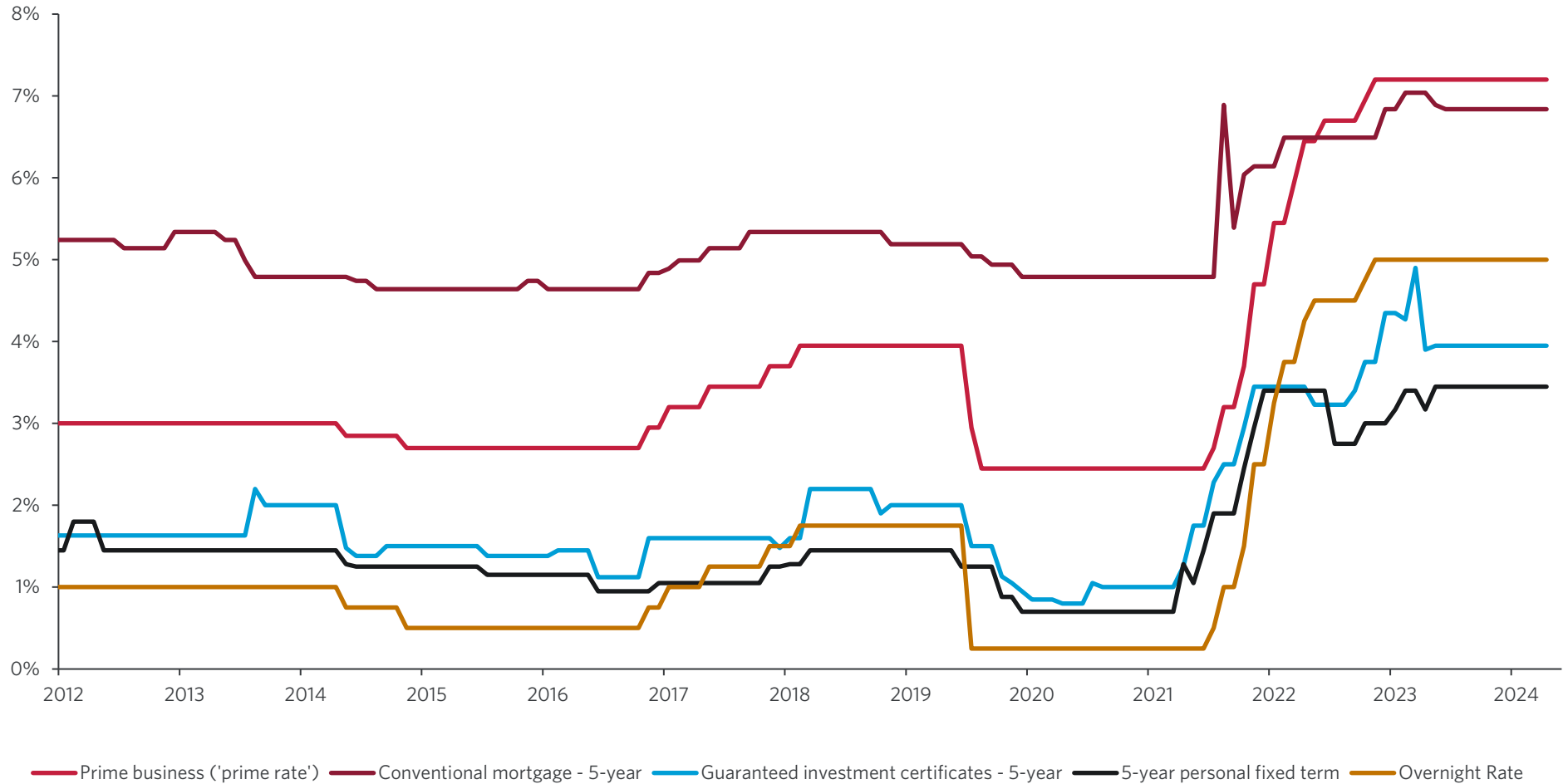


Fixed income, currency and commodities markets

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Canadian key interest rates

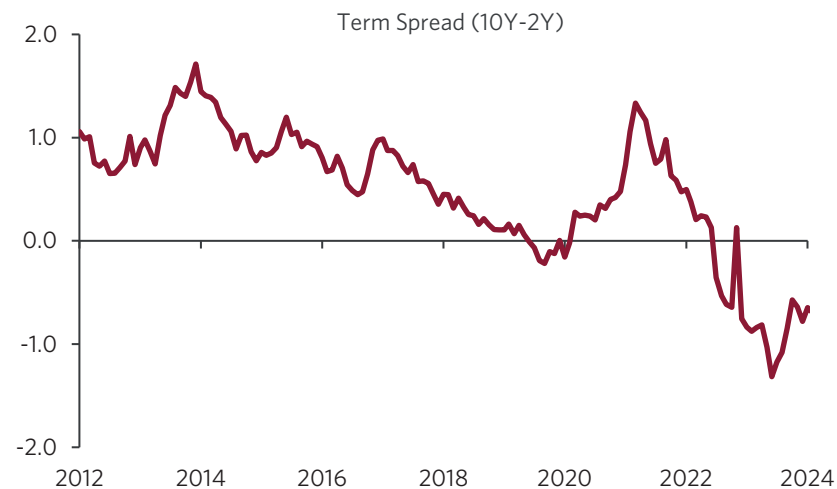
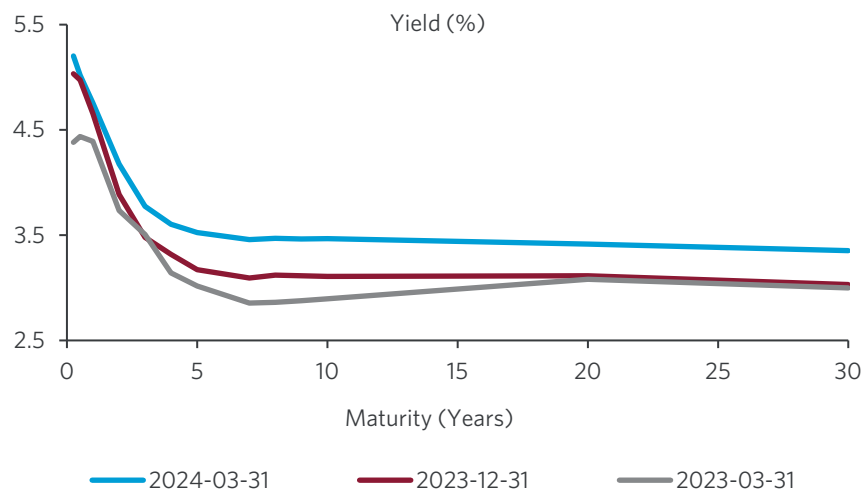
The BoC policy rate remained at 5% in Q1 2024. The ability of the BoC to ease policy will likely be limited by continued labour market and housing imbalances.



Source: Bank of Canada. Data as of March 31, 2024.

Canadian sovereign bond yields

We expect Canadian bond yields to trade in a broad range for the next 12 months. Weaker inflation data will allow a move to the lower half of this range. The yield curve is still inverted, but we expect an eventual return to a normal/positively sloped curve, with longer-dated bonds offering a higher yield than short-dated bonds.

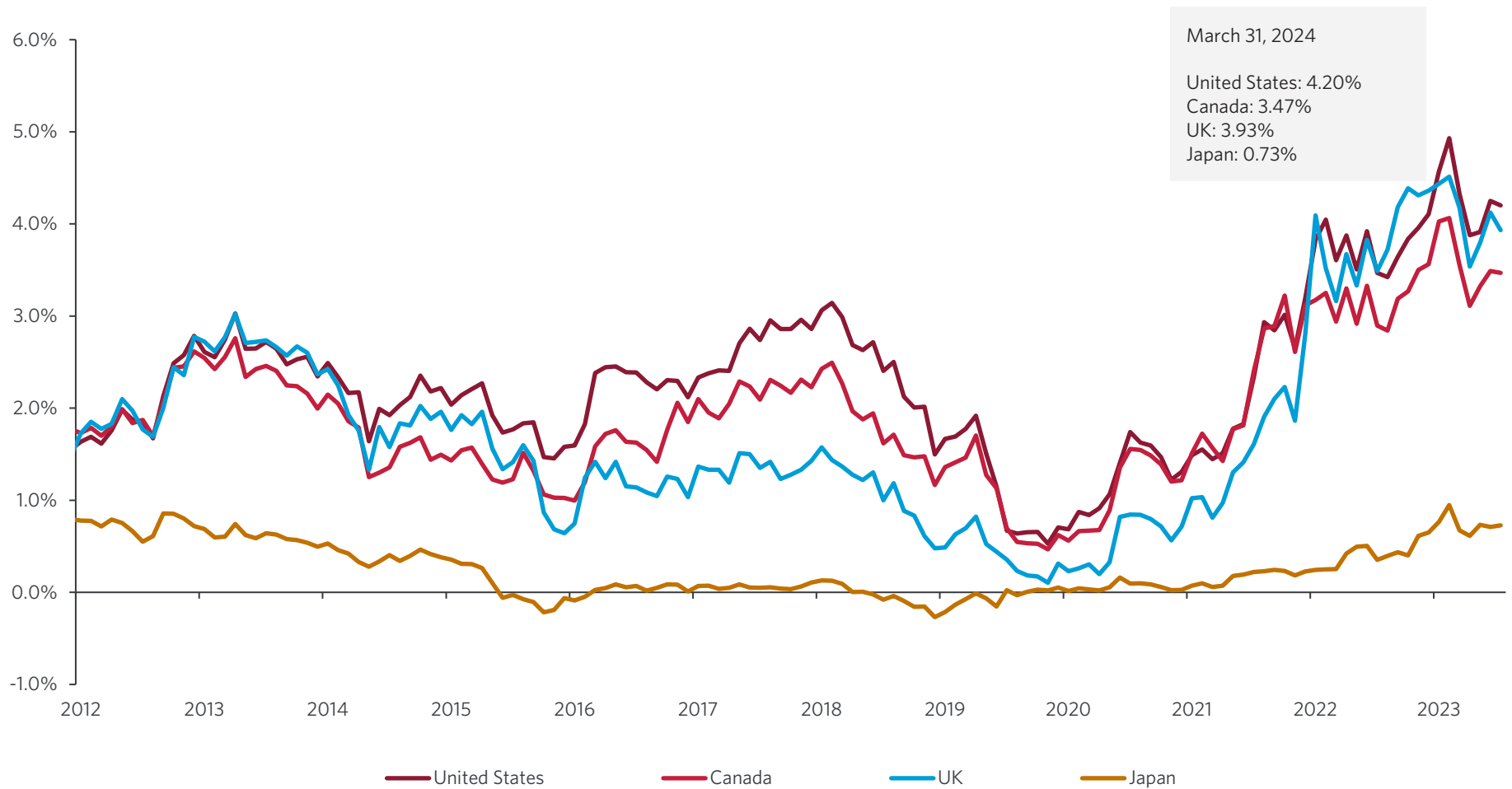


Canadian bond yields (%)

Period	3 mo	6 mo	1 yr	2 yr	3 yr	4 yr	5 yr	7 yr	8 yr	9 yr	10 yr	20 yr	30 yr
2024-03-31	5.20	5.02	4.76	4.18	3.77	3.61	3.53	3.46	3.47	3.47	3.47	3.41	3.35
2023-12-31	5.03	4.97	4.66	3.89	3.48	3.32	3.17	3.09	3.12	3.11	3.11	3.11	3.03
2023-03-31	4.38	4.44	4.39	3.73	3.51	3.14	3.02	2.86	2.86	2.88	2.90	3.08	3.00

Global government bond yields

10-year government bond yields in most major economies have declined from recent peaks. Further progress lower will depend upon continued progress returning inflation to policy targets. One exception is Japan, where the central bank is looking to allow yields to return to a higher level consistent with better economic data.

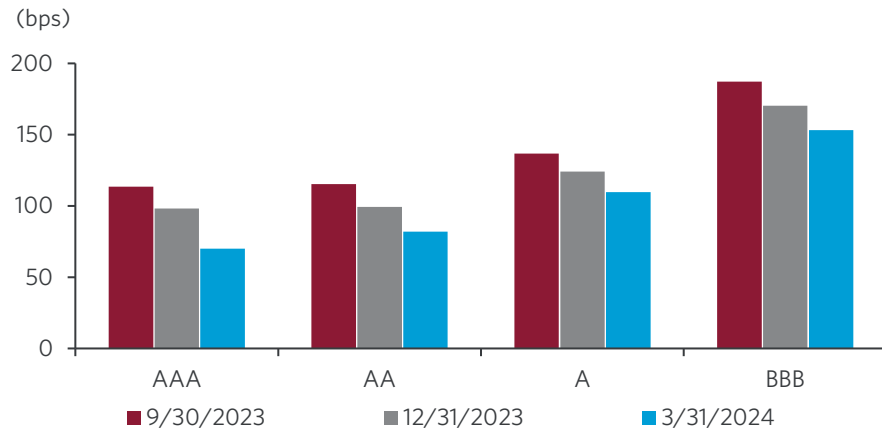


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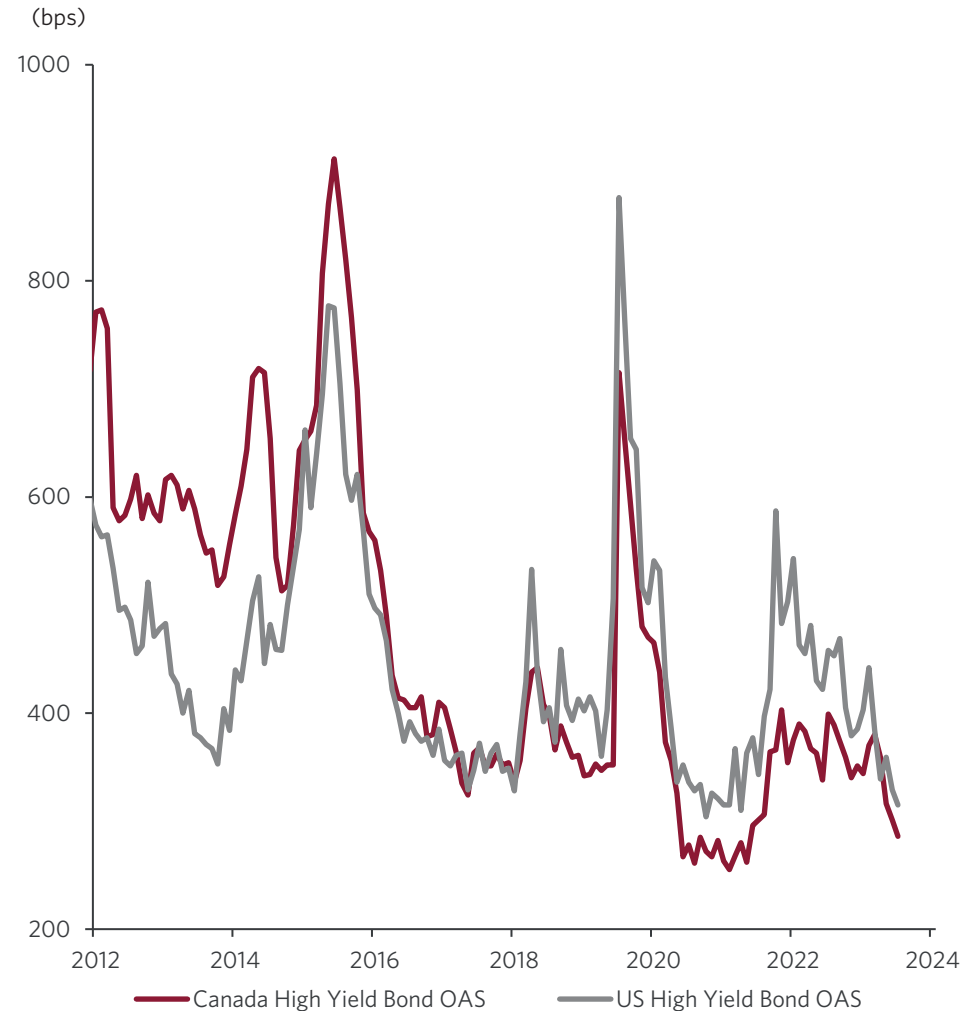
Credit spreads

Non-Investment grade credit spreads narrowed in Q1, and are at historically tight levels. Risks to high yield would rise if we see significant odds of a recession or sustained market turbulence.

FTSE Canada all corporate bond index corporate bond spreads



High-yield corporate bond spreads











The BofA Merrill Lynch US corporate index corporate bond spreads



Source: Bloomberg, Bank of America Merrill Lynch Bond Indices, PC Bond Analytics, FTSE Global Debt Capital Markets Inc. Data as of March 31, 2024. High-Yield bond sectors represented by Merrill Lynch Canada High Yield Index and Merrill Lynch US High Yield Master II Index. Investment Grade Corporate Bond sectors represented by FTSE Canada Universe Corporate Index and BofA Merrill Lynch US Corporate Index.

Key Canadian dollar (CAD) exchange rates

	Currency	Exchange	3-31-24	12-29-23
	US Dollar	CAD-USD	0.74	0.76
	Euro	CAD-EUR	0.68	0.68
	Japanese Yen	CAD-JPY	111.77	106.32
	Pound Sterling	CAD-GBP	1.71	1.69
	Australian Dollar	CAD-AUD	1.13	1.11
	Swiss Franc	CAD-CHF	0.67	0.63
	Hong Kong Dollar	CAD-HKD	5.78	5.90
	Chinese Yuan	CAD-CNY	5.33	5.37
	Swedish Krona	CAD-SEK	7.87	7.62
	New Zealand Dollar	CAD-NZD	1.23	1.19
	South Korean Won	CAD-KRW	994.85	974.53
	Singapore Dollar	CAD-SGD	1.00	1.00
	Norwegian Krone	CAD-NOK	7.99	7.68
	Mexican Peso	CAD-MXN	12.23	12.80
	Brazilian Real	CAD-BRL	3.71	3.66
	Indian Rupee	CAD-INR	61.55	62.80

We expect CAD to trade with a weakening bias versus USD in the remainder of 2024. Canada appears less resilient on a cyclical basis and exhibits more structural weaknesses, including in the housing market.



Source: Bloomberg. Data as of March 31, 2024.

Canadian bonds: Performance

High-yield and short-term were the best performing fixed income categories in Q1 2024. Short-term bonds outperformed long-term bonds over the quarter and the year. A key performance driver has been the revision higher in the expected level of policy interest rates, driven by sticky inflation data.

3 Months	6 Months	1 Year
High Yield 2.96%	Long Term 10.68%	High Yield 11.19%
Short Term 0.33%	High Yield 9.25%	Corporate 5.50%
Corporate 0.07%	Real Return 8.50%	Short Term 3.48%
MBS -0.01%	Corporate 7.70%	MBS 2.29%
Mid Term -1.12%	Mid Term 7.05%	Core 2.10%
Federal -1.17%	Core 6.94%	Mid Term 1.05%
Core -1.22%	Government 6.69%	Government 0.95%
Government -1.66%	Federal 5.56%	Long Term 0.81%
Real Return -1.81%	Short Term 4.45%	Federal 0.80%
Long Term -3.61%	MBS 4.03%	Real Return 0.38%

Source: PC Bond Analytics, FTSE Global Debt Capital Markets Inc. Canadian Dollar Total Returns. Data as of March 31, 2024.

Currency returns

The Mexican Peso led currency returns over 3-month, 6-month and 1-year periods. The Japanese yen remained the weakest currency, as domestic policy makers kept a ceiling on bond yields and maintained policy interest rates close to zero. Currency volatility was at the low end of its historical range but is expected to increase as we approach Fall US elections.

3 Months	6 Months	1 Year
Mexican Peso 4.87%	Mexican Peso 4.87%	Mexican Peso 9.07%
US Dollar 2.24%	Pound Sterling 3.22%	Pound Sterling 2.52%
Hong Kong Dollar 2.03%	Euro 1.79%	Swiss Franc 1.68%
Pound Sterling 1.33%	Swiss Franc 1.21%	Hong Kong Dollar 0.50%
Chinese Yuan 0.64%	Australian Dollar 1.02%	US Dollar 0.18%
Euro 0.05%	Chinese Yuan 0.97%	Euro -0.26%
Singapore Dollar -0.05%	Singapore Dollar 0.97%	Singapore Dollar -1.19%
Australian Dollar -2.29%	Hong Kong Dollar -0.20%	Australian Dollar -2.28%
Swiss Franc -4.61%	US Dollar -0.27%	Chinese Yuan -4.72%
Japanese Yen -4.75%	Japanese Yen -1.57%	Japanese Yen -12.11%

Source: Bloomberg. Currency returns relative to the Canadian dollar. Data as of March 31, 2024.

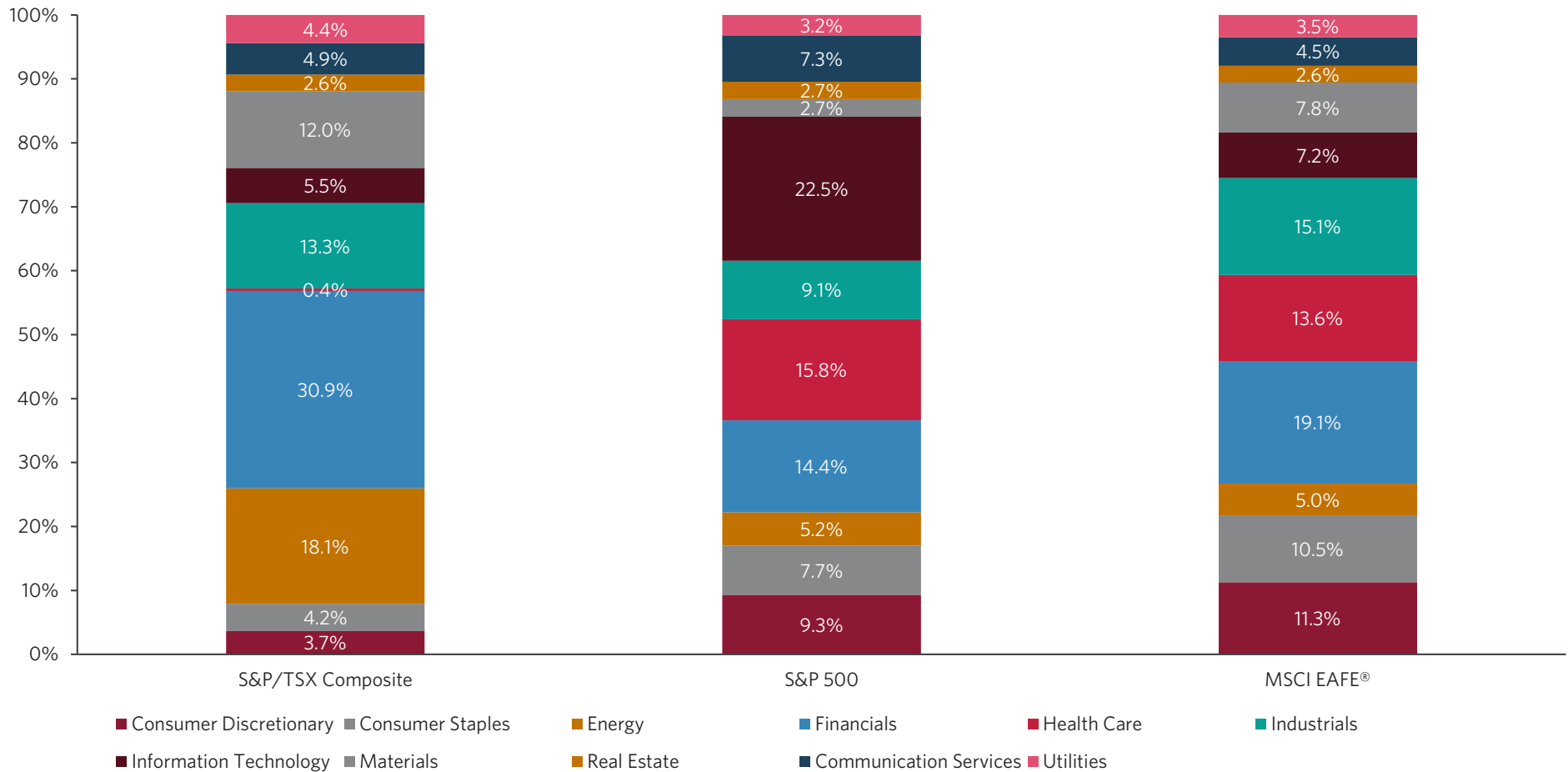
Equity markets

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Canadian equities

The Canadian equity market is comprised of more cyclical industries like Financials, Energy, Materials and Industrials than non-domestic markets. This difference in sector composition is a large driver of relative performance.

GICS sector breakdown across equity markets



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Global equities: GICS sector returns

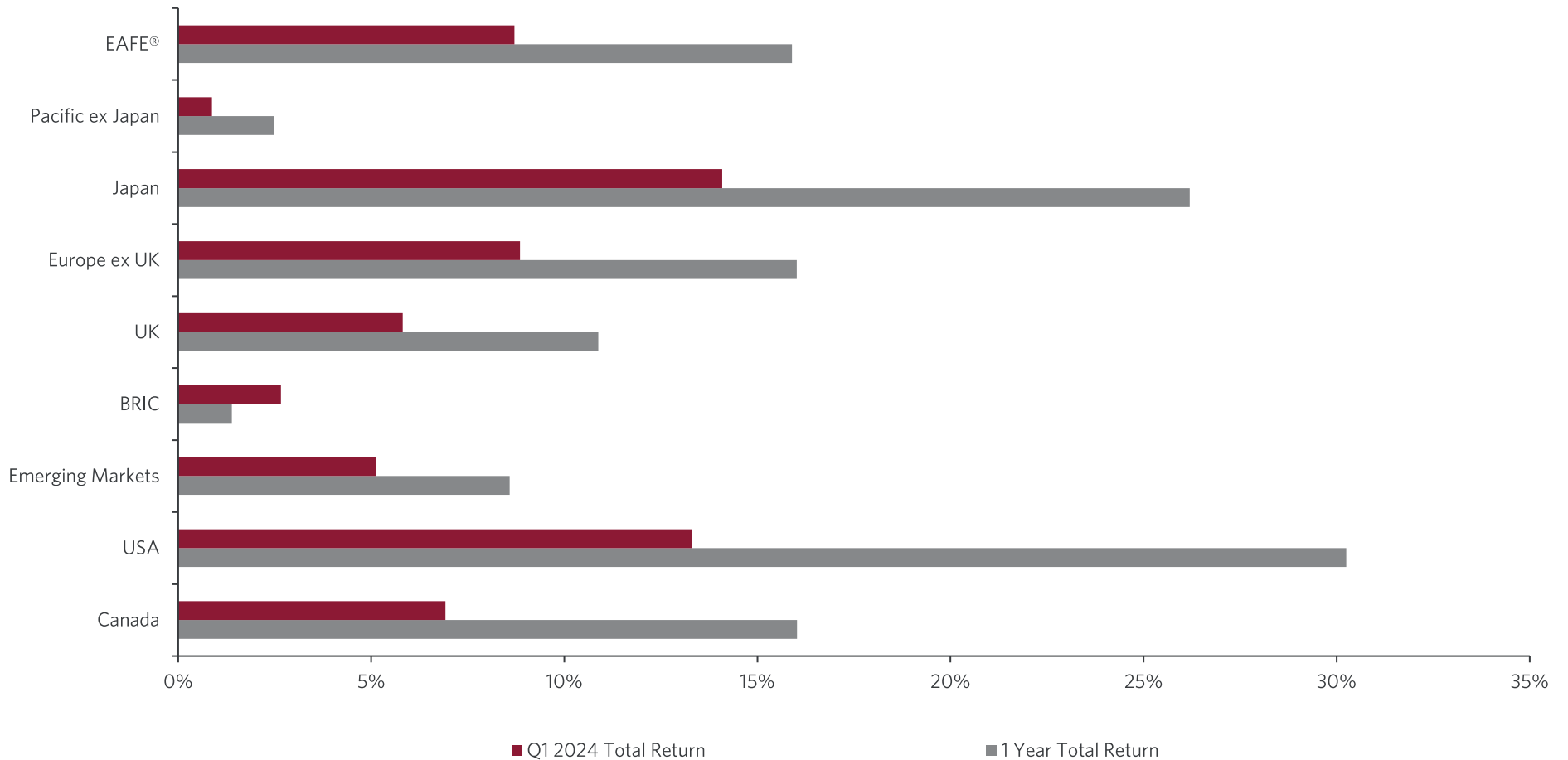
Global market performance has been relatively narrow and driven by a narrow set of Communications and Technology stocks. Defensive sectors such as Utilities, Consumer Staples, and Health Care underperformed in the face of US economic resilience.

3 Months	6 Months	1 Year
Communication Services 15.97%	Information Technology 32.24%	Information Technology 42.45%
Information Technology 15.31%	Financials 25.57%	Communication Services 39.62%
Financials 13.56%	Communication Services 25.40%	Financials 31.35%
Energy 12.92%	Industrials 25.18%	Industrials 26.74%
Industrials 12.66%	Consumer Discretionary 18.96%	Consumer Discretionary 24.23%
Health Care 10.49%	Materials 16.73%	Energy 17.62%
Consumer Discretionary 9.65%	Health Care 14.19%	Health Care 13.87%
Consumer Staples 6.23%	Utilities 12.49%	Materials 12.31%
Materials 6.13%	Consumer Staples 9.30%	Consumer Staples 2.92%
Utilities 4.15%	Energy 5.87%	Utilities 1.97%

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Global equities performance

Continued strong equity market performance in Q1 was driven by the surprising strength of growth and the positive outlook for technology and Artificial Intelligence. Market participants looked through the rise in bond yields that was driven by sticky inflation.

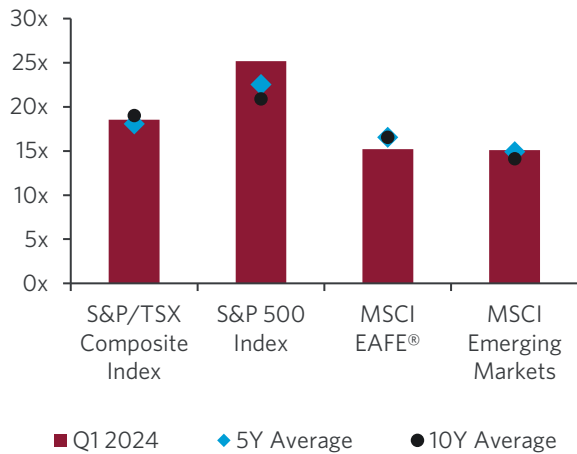


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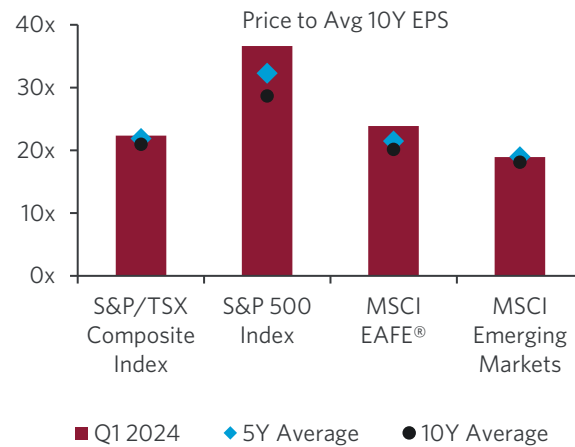
Equity valuation measures

Recent strong equity performance has driven up most valuation metrics to or above their 5-year averages.

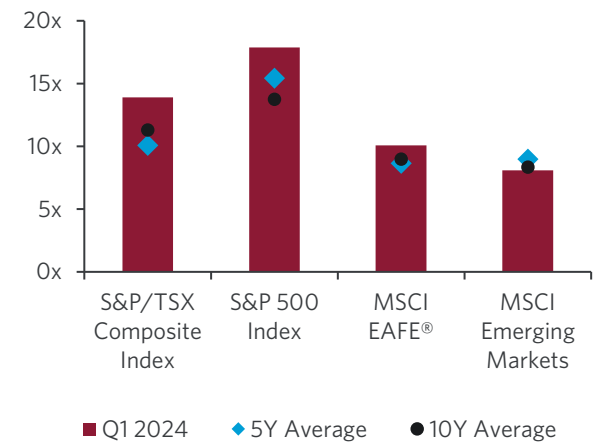
Trailing price earnings ratio (P/E)



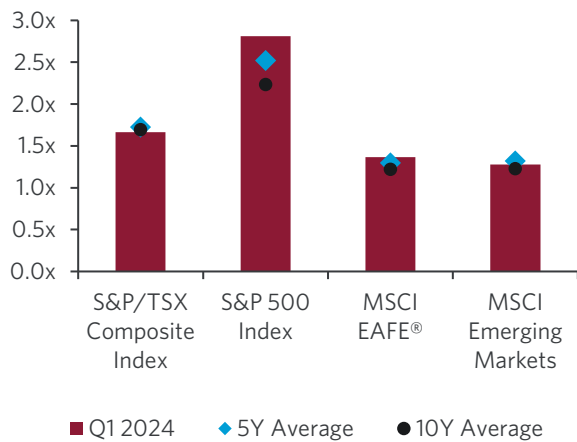
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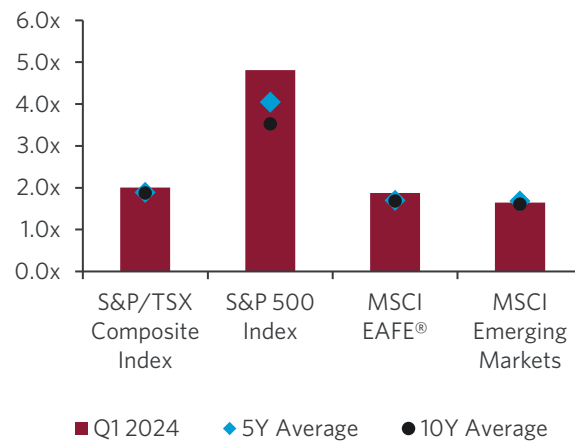
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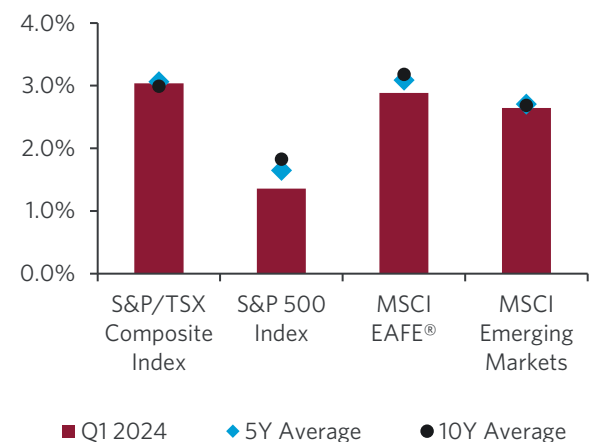
Price to sales ratio



Price to book ratio



12-month dividend yield



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Asset allocation

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Asset class returns

Asset class leadership varies over time based on a variety of factors. Investing in a broadly diversified portfolio will ensure at least some participation in the highest performing asset classes at any given time.

3 Months	6 Months	1 Year
US Equities 13.46%	US Equities 23.60%	US Equities 29.87%
Global Equities 11.87%	Global Equities 21.69%	Global Equities 25.71%
International Equities 8.71%	International Equities 17.12%	International Equities 15.89%
Canadian Equities 6.62%	Canadian Equities 15.25%	Canadian Equities 13.94%
Canadian Dividend 6.62%	Canadian Dividend 14.42%	Balanced Portfolio 13.34%
Balanced Portfolio 5.13%	Balanced Portfolio 12.94%	Canadian Dividend 12.93%
Emerging Market Equities 5.13%	Emerging Market Equities 10.67%	Canadian High Yield 11.19%
Canadian High Yield 2.96%	Canadian High Yield 9.25%	Emerging Market Equities 8.58%
Cash 1.24%	Canadian Corporate Bonds 7.70%	Canadian Corporate Bonds 5.50%
Global Bonds 0.15%	Canadian Gov Bonds 6.69%	Cash 4.84%
Canadian Corporate Bonds 0.07%	Global Bonds 5.57%	Canadian Gov Bonds 0.95%
Canadian Gov Bonds -1.66%	Cash 2.54%	Global Bonds -0.85%

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Asset class correlations

Correlations between stocks and bonds over the shorter term have increased, but remain relatively low. With yields higher today, motivation for investors to focus on building well-diversified portfolios is supported by the case for lower correlation going forward.

Currency: CAD	Cash	Canadian Equities	Canadian Dividend	Canadian Bond	Canadian High Yield	US Equities	Global Equities	International Equities	Emerging Market Equities	Global Bonds	Benchmark
Cash	1.00	-0.19	-0.18	-0.03	0.08	-0.05	-0.06	-0.05	-0.11	0.35	FTSE Canada 91 Day T-Bill Index
Canadian Equities	-0.10	1.00	0.99	0.74	0.79	0.69	0.82	0.96	0.66	0.44	S&P/TSX Composite Index
Canadian Dividend	-0.13	0.99	1.00	0.71	0.76	0.65	0.78	0.95	0.65	0.42	S&P/TSX Composite Dividend Index
Canadian Bonds	0.12	0.45	0.39	1.00	0.86	0.51	0.60	0.69	0.40	0.73	FTSE Canada Universe Bond Index
Canadian High Yield	-0.08	0.70	0.67	0.47	1.00	0.51	0.63	0.75	0.50	0.62	FTSE Canada High Yield Overall Bond Index
US Equities	0.05	0.80	0.76	0.49	0.51	1.00	0.98	0.81	0.70	0.48	S&P 500 Index
Global Equities	0.06	0.85	0.80	0.51	0.57	0.98	1.00	0.91	0.75	0.51	MSCI World Index
International Equities	0.08	0.80	0.77	0.49	0.57	0.81	0.91	1.00	0.70	0.54	MSCI EAFE® Index
Emerging Market Equities	-0.01	0.58	0.54	0.39	0.57	0.56	0.63	0.71	1.00	0.26	MSCI Emerging Markets Index
Global Bonds	0.26	-0.22	-0.27	0.60	-0.09	0.02	0.03	0.06	0.08	1.00	Citigroup World Government Bond Index

1-Year Correlations

7-Year Correlations

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Appendix – Index returns

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Canadian bonds: Returns

3 Months	6 Months	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	7 Year	10 Year
High Yield 2.96%	Long Term 10.68%	High Yield 11.19%	High Yield 3.61%	High Yield 4.82%	High Yield 5.26%	High Yield 5.08%
Short Term 0.33%	High Yield 9.25%	Corporate 5.50%	Short Term 0.25%	Corporate 1.72%	Corporate 2.18%	Corporate 2.80%
Corporate 0.07%	Real Return 8.50%	Short Term 3.48%	Corporate -0.03%	Short Term 1.34%	Short Term 1.39%	Long Term 2.41%
MBS -0.01%	Corporate 7.70%	MBS 2.29%	MBS -0.65%	MBS 0.95%	MBS 1.30%	Mid Term 2.14%
Mid Term -1.12%	Mid Term 7.05%	Core 2.10%	Mid Term -1.37%	Mid Term 0.55%	Real Return 1.21%	Core 2.01%
Federal -1.17%	Core 6.94%	Mid Term 1.05%	Core -1.52%	Real Return 0.29%	Core 1.13%	Real Return 1.93%
Core -1.22%	Government 6.69%	Government 0.95%	Federal -1.64%	Core 0.28%	Mid Term 1.12%	Government 1.74%
Government -1.66%	Federal 5.56%	Long Term 0.81%	Real Return -1.95%	Federal -0.11%	Government 0.76%	Short Term 1.60%
Real Return -1.81%	Short Term 4.45%	Federal 0.80%	Government -2.04%	Government -0.23%	Long Term 0.68%	MBS 1.59%
Long Term -3.61%	MBS 4.03%	Real Return 0.38%	Long Term -4.06%	Long Term -1.44%	Federal 0.54%	Federal 1.27%

Source: PC Bond Analytics, FTSE Global Debt Capital Markets Inc. Canadian Dollar Total Returns. Data as of March 31, 2024.

Canadian bonds: Returns

2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
High Yield 10.00%	Short Term -4.04%	High Yield 6.18%	Real Return 13.02%	Long Term 12.71%	MBS 2.47%	High Yield 9.94%	High Yield 16.93%	Mid Term 4.86%	Long Term 17.48%
Long Term 9.51%	High Yield -5.44%	Real Return 1.84%	Long Term 11.90%	High Yield 8.48%	Federal 2.39%	Long Term 7.03%	Corporate 3.73%	Government 3.84%	Real Return 13.18%
Corporate 8.37%	MBS -5.69%	MBS -0.76%	Mid Term 10.08%	Corporate 8.05%	High Yield 2.15%	Corporate 3.38%	Real Return 2.86%	Long Term 3.80%	Government 9.29%
Core 6.69%	Federal -9.34%	Short Term -0.93%	Corporate 8.74%	Real Return 8.02%	Short Term 1.91%	Core 2.52%	Long Term 2.47%	Federal 3.66%	Mid Term 9.16%
Mid Term 6.13%	Corporate -9.87%	Corporate -1.34%	Government 8.69%	Core 6.87%	Mid Term 1.91%	Government 2.18%	Core 1.66%	Core 3.52%	Core 8.79%
Government 6.11%	Mid Term -10.29%	Core -2.54%	Core 8.68%	Government 6.42%	Government 1.53%	MBS 0.97%	Mid Term 1.61%	Real Return 2.79%	Corporate 7.58%
Short Term 5.02%	Core -11.69%	Federal -2.62%	Federal 7.28%	Mid Term 5.75%	Core 1.41%	Mid Term 0.96%	MBS 1.24%	Corporate 2.71%	Federal 6.91%
Federal 5.00%	Government -12.34%	Mid Term -2.69%	High Yield 6.69%	Federal 3.73%	Corporate 1.10%	Real Return 0.72%	Short Term 1.01%	Short Term 2.61%	MBS 3.10%
MBS 4.15%	Real Return -14.32%	Government -2.97%	MBS 5.95%	MBS 3.21%	Long Term 0.31%	Federal 0.13%	Government 0.89%	MBS 2.54%	Short Term 3.06%
Real Return 1.99%	Long Term -21.76%	Long Term -4.52%	Short Term 5.29%	Short Term 3.10%	Real Return -0.05%	Short Term 0.08%	Federal 0.00%	High Yield -3.81%	High Yield 2.54%

Source: PC Bond Analytics, FTSE Global Debt Capital Markets Inc. Data as of December 31, 2023.

Global equities: GICS sector returns

3 Months	6 Months	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	7 Year	10 Year
Communication Services 15.97%	Information Technology 32.24%	Information Technology 42.45%	Energy 28.07%	Information Technology 23.04%	Information Technology 22.25%	Information Technology 22.27%
Information Technology 15.31%	Financials 25.57%	Communication Services 39.62%	Information Technology 18.29%	Consumer Discretionary 12.44%	Consumer Discretionary 12.06%	Consumer Discretionary 12.93%
Financials 13.56%	Communication Services 25.40%	Financials 31.35%	Financials 12.69%	Industrials 12.09%	Health Care 11.20%	Health Care 11.99%
Energy 12.92%	Industrials 25.18%	Industrials 26.74%	Industrials 11.47%	Financials 11.69%	Industrials 10.82%	Industrials 11.60%
Industrials 12.66%	Consumer Discretionary 18.96%	Consumer Discretionary 24.23%	Health Care 11.06%	Communication Services 11.41%	Materials 9.69%	Financials 10.29%
Health Care 10.49%	Materials 16.73%	Energy 17.62%	Materials 8.34%	Health Care 11.15%	Financials 9.26%	Communication Services 9.48%
Consumer Discretionary 9.65%	Health Care 14.19%	Health Care 13.87%	Consumer Staples 7.40%	Materials 11.00%	Communication Services 9.09%	Materials 9.25%
Consumer Staples 6.23%	Utilities 12.49%	Materials 12.31%	Communication Services 6.46%	Energy 10.47%	Energy 8.61%	Consumer Staples 8.97%
Materials 6.13%	Consumer Staples 9.30%	Consumer Staples 2.92%	Consumer Discretionary 5.94%	Consumer Staples 6.77%	Utilities 6.95%	Utilities 8.32%
Utilities 4.15%	Energy 5.87%	Utilities 1.97%	Utilities 5.36%	Utilities 5.57%	Consumer Staples 6.46%	Energy 5.92%

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Global equities: GICS sector returns

2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Information Technology 49.53%	Energy 58.33%	Energy 40.57%	Information Technology 41.73%	Information Technology 40.66%	Health Care 12.33%	Information Technology 29.63%	Energy 23.16%	Consumer Staples 28.48%	Health Care 29.40%
Communication Services 42.08%	Utilities 3.11%	Information Technology 29.04%	Consumer Discretionary 34.59%	Industrials 22.00%	Utilities 12.16%	Materials 20.98%	Materials 18.79%	Health Care 28.43%	Information Technology 27.12%
Consumer Discretionary 31.89%	Health Care 1.94%	Financials 27.60%	Communication Services 21.27%	Communication Services 21.46%	Information Technology 6.55%	Industrials 17.62%	Industrials 9.62%	Consumer Discretionary 27.06%	Utilities 26.70%
Industrials 20.49%	Consumer Staples 1.31%	Health Care 19.32%	Materials 18.38%	Consumer Discretionary 20.69%	Consumer Discretionary 3.45%	Consumer Discretionary 16.06%	Financials 9.26%	Information Technology 26.18%	Consumer Staples 17.72%
Financials 13.86%	Financials -2.99%	Consumer Discretionary 17.17%	Health Care 12.10%	Financials 20.02%	Communication Services -0.94%	Financials 15.30%	Information Technology 8.10%	Communication Services 24.00%	Consumer Discretionary 13.83%
Materials 12.24%	Materials -3.80%	Industrials 16.07%	Industrials 10.22%	Materials 17.67%	Consumer Staples -1.34%	Health Care 12.51%	Utilities 3.19%	Industrials 18.13%	Financials 13.01%
Health Care 1.48%	Industrials -6.42%	Materials 15.79%	Consumer Staples 6.62%	Health Care 17.63%	Industrials -6.36%	Consumer Staples 10.06%	Communication Services 2.86%	Financials 16.49%	Industrials 10.05%
Energy 0.75%	Information Technology -25.56%	Communication Services 13.81%	Utilities 3.78%	Consumer Staples 17.34%	Energy -7.55%	Utilities 7.08%	Consumer Discretionary 0.06%	Utilities 12.98%	Communication Services 7.80%
Consumer Staples 0.26%	Consumer Discretionary -28.28%	Consumer Staples 12.76%	Financials -3.89%	Utilities 17.33%	Financials -8.94%	Communication Services -0.26%	Consumer Staples -1.26%	Materials 2.09%	Materials 3.95%
Utilities -1.51%	Communication Services -32.14%	Utilities 9.81%	Energy -31.74%	Energy 6.79%	Materials -9.04%	Energy -1.08%	Health Care -9.56%	Energy -6.66%	Energy -3.00%

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Canadian equities: Returns

3 Months	6 Months	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	7 Year	10 Year
Growth 10.75%	Value 16.61%	Growth 16.93%	Value 12.07%	Large Cap 10.35%	Large Cap 8.96%	Large Cap 8.33%
Preferred 8.03%	Growth 16.05%	Value 14.54%	Dividend 11.00%	Dividend 10.28%	Growth 8.92%	Dividend 8.23%
Small Cap 7.92%	Large Cap 15.64%	Large Cap 14.44%	Equity Income 10.14%	Value 10.17%	Dividend 8.65%	Core 7.67%
Core 6.62%	Core 15.25%	Core 13.94%	Large Cap 9.55%	Core 9.96%	Core 8.47%	Growth 7.50%
Dividend 6.62%	Dividend 14.42%	Dividend 12.93%	Growth 9.37%	Equity Income 9.28%	Value 7.72%	Value 7.46%
Large Cap 6.33%	Small Cap 14.37%	Small Cap 8.22%	Core 9.11%	Growth 9.15%	Equity Income 7.61%	Equity Income 6.47%
Value 5.85%	Preferred 13.95%	Equity Income 8.01%	Small Cap 3.99%	Small Cap 7.82%	REIT 4.61%	REIT 5.20%
Equity Income 4.35%	Equity Income 11.99%	Preferred 6.45%	REIT 1.45%	REIT 1.01%	Small Cap 4.23%	Small Cap 3.95%
REIT -1.15%	REIT 8.13%	REIT -2.61%	Preferred -4.13%	Preferred -1.44%	Preferred -2.61%	Preferred -3.17%

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Canadian equities: Returns

2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Growth 12.27%	Value 1.51%	Value 36.18%	Small Cap 12.87%	Equity Income 25.81%	REIT 6.29%	Growth 13.06%	Small Cap 38.48%	REIT -4.74%	Growth 15.94%
Large Cap 12.05%	Equity Income 0.65%	Equity Income 36.10%	Growth 10.53%	Value 22.93%	Growth -6.05%	REIT 9.85%	Equity Income 28.49%	Value -6.38%	Large Cap 12.27%
Core 11.83%	Dividend -0.09%	REIT 35.22%	Core 5.60%	Core 22.84%	Large Cap -7.58%	Large Cap 9.78%	Value 27.01%	Dividend -7.66%	Dividend 10.85%
Value 10.51%	Core -5.75%	Large Cap 28.05%	Large Cap 5.56%	REIT 22.79%	Dividend -8.59%	Dividend 9.33%	Dividend 24.00%	Large Cap -7.76%	Core 10.55%
Dividend 9.63%	Large Cap -6.24%	Dividend 27.82%	Dividend 1.08%	Large Cap 21.93%	Core -8.88%	Core 9.08%	Large Cap 21.36%	Core -8.33%	REIT 10.22%
Equity Income 6.97%	Growth -7.53%	Core 25.15%	Preferred 0.05%	Dividend 21.71%	Equity Income -10.77%	Preferred 8.34%	Core 21.08%	Growth -10.53%	Value 5.38%
Small Cap 4.79%	Small Cap -9.29%	Small Cap 20.27%	Equity Income -7.39%	Growth 20.44%	Value -11.86%	Equity Income 7.61%	REIT 17.63%	Small Cap -13.31%	Equity Income 5.24%
REIT 2.80%	REIT -16.99%	Growth 14.84%	Value -7.55%	Small Cap 15.84%	Preferred -12.21%	Value 5.84%	Growth 14.20%	Equity Income -14.55%	Preferred 1.72%
Preferred -0.73%	Preferred -22.31%	Preferred 13.65%	REIT -13.08%	Preferred -2.02%	Small Cap -18.17%	Small Cap 2.75%	Preferred 1.25%	Preferred -19.31%	Small Cap -2.34%

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Asset class returns

A traditional Balanced portfolio has outperformed cash on every period from 3-months to 10 years. Investors benefit from staying invested and focusing on long-term strategic objectives.

3 Months	6 Months	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	7 Year	10 Year
US Equities 13.46%	US Equities 23.60%	US Equities 29.87%	US Equities 14.27%	US Equities 15.35%	US Equities 14.33%	US Equities 15.29%
Global Equities 11.87%	Global Equities 21.69%	Global Equities 25.71%	Global Equities 11.85%	Global Equities 12.92%	Global Equities 11.90%	Global Equities 12.24%
International Equities 8.71%	International Equities 17.12%	International Equities 15.89%	Canadian Dividend 11.00%	Canadian Dividend 10.28%	Canadian Dividend 8.65%	Canadian Dividend 8.23%
Canadian Equities 6.62%	Canadian Equities 15.25%	Canadian Equities 13.94%	Canadian Equities 9.11%	Canadian Equities 9.96%	Canadian Equities 8.47%	Canadian Equities 7.67%
Canadian Dividend 6.62%	Canadian Dividend 14.42%	Balanced Portfolio 13.34%	International Equities 7.94%	International Equities 8.13%	International Equities 7.44%	International Equities 7.47%
Balanced Portfolio 5.13%	Balanced Portfolio 12.94%	Canadian Dividend 12.93%	Balanced Portfolio 4.94%	Balanced Portfolio 6.11%	Balanced Portfolio 6.00%	Balanced Portfolio 6.68%
Emerging Market Equities 5.13%	Emerging Market Equities 10.67%	Canadian High Yield 11.19%	Canadian High Yield 3.61%	Canadian High Yield 4.82%	Canadian High Yield 5.26%	Emerging Market Equities 5.46%
Canadian High Yield 2.96%	Canadian High Yield 9.25%	Emerging Market Equities 8.58%	Cash 2.63%	Emerging Market Equities 2.88%	Emerging Market Equities 4.32%	Canadian High Yield 5.08%
Cash 1.24%	Canadian Corporate Bonds 7.70%	Canadian Corporate Bonds 5.50%	Canadian Corporate Bonds -0.03%	Cash 2.00%	Canadian Corporate Bonds 2.18%	Canadian Corporate Bonds 2.80%
Global Bonds 0.15%	Canadian Gov Bonds 6.69%	Cash 4.84%	Canadian Gov Bonds -2.04%	Canadian Corporate Bonds 1.72%	Cash 1.75%	Canadian Gov Bonds 1.74%
Canadian Corporate Bonds 0.07%	Global Bonds 5.57%	Canadian Gov Bonds 0.95%	Emerging Market Equities -2.30%	Canadian Gov Bonds -0.23%	Canadian Gov Bonds 0.76%	Cash 1.41%
Canadian Gov Bonds -1.66%	Cash 2.54%	Global Bonds -0.85%	Global Bonds -3.78%	Global Bonds -1.95%	Global Bonds -0.45%	Global Bonds 1.19%

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Asset class returns

2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
US Equities 22.90%	Cash 1.82%	Canadian Dividend 27.82%	Emerging Market Equities 16.60%	US Equities 24.84%	Global Bonds 8.09%	Emerging Market Equities 28.70%	Canadian Dividend 24.00%	US Equities 21.59%	US Equities 23.93%
Global Equities 21.08%	Canadian Dividend -0.09%	US Equities 27.61%	US Equities 16.32%	Canadian Equities 22.84%	US Equities 4.23%	International Equities 17.36%	Canadian Equities 21.08%	Global Equities 19.55%	Global Equities 15.01%
International Equities 15.66%	Canadian High Yield -5.44%	Canadian Equities 25.15%	Global Equities 14.45%	Global Equities 21.91%	Canadian High Yield 2.15%	Global Equities 14.99%	Canadian High Yield 16.93%	International Equities 19.46%	Balanced Portfolio 11.66%
Balanced Portfolio 12.77%	Canadian Equities -5.75%	Global Equities 21.31%	Balanced Portfolio 9.91%	Canadian Dividend 21.71%	Canadian Gov Bonds 1.53%	US Equities 13.83%	US Equities 8.09%	Global Bonds 15.22%	Canadian Dividend 10.85%
Canadian Equities 11.83%	International Equities -7.76%	International Equities 10.82%	Canadian Corporate Bonds 8.74%	International Equities 16.45%	Cash 1.38%	Canadian High Yield 9.94%	Emerging Market Equities 7.74%	Balanced Portfolio 7.78%	Canadian Equities 10.55%
Canadian High Yield 10.00%	Balanced Portfolio -9.09%	Balanced Portfolio 7.53%	Canadian Gov Bonds 8.69%	Emerging Market Equities 12.87%	Canadian Corporate Bonds 1.10%	Canadian Dividend 9.33%	Balanced Portfolio 6.33%	Canadian Gov Bonds 3.84%	Canadian Gov Bonds 9.29%
Canadian Dividend 9.63%	Canadian Corporate Bonds -9.87%	Canadian High Yield 6.18%	Global Bonds 8.18%	Balanced Portfolio 12.56%	Global Equities 0.06%	Balanced Portfolio 9.27%	Global Equities 4.41%	Canadian Corporate Bonds 2.71%	Global Bonds 8.49%
Canadian Corporate Bonds 8.37%	Global Equities -11.75%	Cash 0.17%	Canadian High Yield 6.69%	Canadian High Yield 8.48%	Balanced Portfolio -0.76%	Canadian Equities 9.08%	Canadian Corporate Bonds 3.73%	Emerging Market Equities 2.42%	Canadian Corporate Bonds 7.58%
Emerging Market Equities 7.31%	US Equities -12.16%	Canadian Corporate Bonds -1.34%	International Equities 6.38%	Canadian Corporate Bonds 8.05%	International Equities -5.55%	Canadian Corporate Bonds 3.38%	Canadian Gov Bonds 0.89%	Cash 0.63%	Emerging Market Equities 7.03%
Canadian Gov Bonds 6.11%	Global Bonds -12.32%	Canadian Gov Bonds -2.97%	Canadian Equities 5.60%	Canadian Gov Bonds 6.42%	Emerging Market Equities -6.52%	Canadian Gov Bonds 2.18%	Cash 0.51%	Canadian High Yield -3.81%	International Equities 4.12%
Cash 4.71%	Canadian Gov Bonds -12.34%	Emerging Market Equities -3.06%	Canadian Dividend 1.08%	Cash 1.61%	Canadian Dividend -8.59%	Cash 0.56%	Global Bonds -1.91%	Canadian Dividend -7.66%	Canadian High Yield 2.54%
Global Bonds 2.36%	Emerging Market Equities -13.90%	Global Bonds -7.76%	Cash 0.90%	Global Bonds 0.54%	Canadian Equities -8.88%	Global Bonds 0.43%	International Equities -2.00%	Canadian Equities -8.33%	Cash 0.91%

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US equity performance

3 Months	6 Months	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	7 Year	10 Year
Large Cap Growth 11.41%	Large Cap Growth 27.19%	Large Cap Growth 39.00%	Large Cap Growth 12.50%	Large Cap Growth 18.52%	Large Cap Growth 18.06%	Large Cap Growth 15.98%
Large Cap Core 10.30%	Mid Cap Growth 25.42%	Large Cap Core 29.87%	Large Cap Core 10.45%	Large Cap Core 14.76%	Large Cap Core 13.85%	Large Cap Core 12.68%
Mid Cap Growth 9.50%	Large Cap Core 23.49%	Mid Cap Growth 26.28%	Large Cap Value 8.11%	Mid Cap Growth 11.82%	Mid Cap Growth 12.87%	Mid Cap Growth 11.35%
Large Cap Value 8.99%	Mid Cap Core 22.52%	Mid Cap Core 22.35%	Mid Cap Value 6.80%	Mid Cap Core 11.10%	Mid Cap Core 10.58%	Mid Cap Core 9.95%
Mid Cap Core 8.60%	Mid Cap Value 21.33%	Mid Cap Value 20.40%	Mid Cap Core 6.07%	Large Cap Value 10.32%	Large Cap Value 9.16%	Large Cap Value 9.01%
Mid Cap Value 8.23%	Small Cap Growth 21.30%	Small Cap Growth 20.35%	Mid Cap Growth 4.62%	Mid Cap Value 9.94%	Mid Cap Value 8.41%	Mid Cap Value 8.57%
Small Cap Growth 7.58%	Small Cap Core 19.94%	Large Cap Value 20.27%	Small Cap Value 2.22%	Small Cap Value 8.17%	Small Cap Growth 8.39%	Small Cap Growth 7.88%
Small Cap Core 5.18%	Large Cap Value 19.34%	Small Cap Core 19.71%	Small Cap Core -0.10%	Small Cap Core 8.10%	Small Cap Core 7.73%	Small Cap Core 7.58%
Small Cap Value 2.90%	Small Cap Value 18.60%	Small Cap Value 18.75%	Small Cap Growth -2.68%	Small Cap Growth 7.38%	Small Cap Value 6.55%	Small Cap Value 6.87%

Source: Russell Indices, Bloomberg. US Dollar Total Returns. Data as of March 31, 2024.

US equity performance

2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Large Cap Growth 42.68%	Large Cap Value -7.54%	Mid Cap Value 28.34%	Large Cap Growth 38.49%	Large Cap Growth 36.39%	Large Cap Growth -1.51%	Large Cap Growth 30.21%	Small Cap Value 31.72%	Large Cap Growth 5.67%	Mid Cap Value 14.75%
Large Cap Core 26.53%	Mid Cap Value -12.03%	Small Cap Value 28.27%	Mid Cap Growth 35.59%	Mid Cap Growth 35.47%	Mid Cap Growth -4.75%	Mid Cap Growth 25.27%	Small Cap Core 21.31%	Large Cap Core 0.92%	Large Cap Value 13.45%
Mid Cap Growth 25.87%	Small Cap Value -14.48%	Large Cap Growth 27.60%	Small Cap Growth 34.63%	Large Cap Core 31.43%	Large Cap Core -4.78%	Small Cap Growth 22.14%	Mid Cap Value 20.00%	Mid Cap Growth -0.20%	Large Cap Core 13.24%
Small Cap Growth 18.66%	Mid Cap Core -17.32%	Large Cap Core 26.46%	Large Cap Core 20.96%	Mid Cap Core 30.54%	Large Cap Value -8.27%	Large Cap Core 21.69%	Large Cap Value 17.34%	Small Cap Growth -1.38%	Mid Cap Core 13.22%
Mid Cap Core 17.23%	Large Cap Core -19.13%	Large Cap Value 25.16%	Small Cap Core 19.96%	Small Cap Growth 28.48%	Mid Cap Core -9.06%	Mid Cap Core 18.52%	Mid Cap Core 13.80%	Mid Cap Core -2.44%	Large Cap Growth 13.05%
Small Cap Core 16.93%	Small Cap Core -20.44%	Mid Cap Core 22.58%	Mid Cap Core 17.10%	Mid Cap Value 27.06%	Small Cap Growth -9.33%	Small Cap Core 14.65%	Large Cap Core 12.05%	Large Cap Value -3.83%	Mid Cap Growth 11.90%
Small Cap Value 14.65%	Small Cap Growth -26.36%	Small Cap Core 14.82%	Mid Cap Value 4.96%	Large Cap Value 26.54%	Small Cap Core -11.01%	Large Cap Value 13.66%	Small Cap Growth 11.28%	Small Cap Core -4.41%	Small Cap Growth 5.60%
Mid Cap Value 12.71%	Mid Cap Growth -26.72%	Mid Cap Growth 12.73%	Small Cap Value 4.63%	Small Cap Core 25.52%	Mid Cap Value -12.29%	Mid Cap Value 13.34%	Mid Cap Growth 7.33%	Mid Cap Value -4.78%	Small Cap Core 4.89%
Large Cap Value 11.46%	Large Cap Growth -29.14%	Small Cap Growth 2.83%	Large Cap Value 2.80%	Small Cap Value 22.39%	Small Cap Value -12.84%	Small Cap Value 7.82%	Large Cap Growth 7.08%	Small Cap Value -7.47%	Small Cap Value 4.21%

Source: Russell Indices, Bloomberg. US Dollar Total Returns. Data as of December 31, 2023.

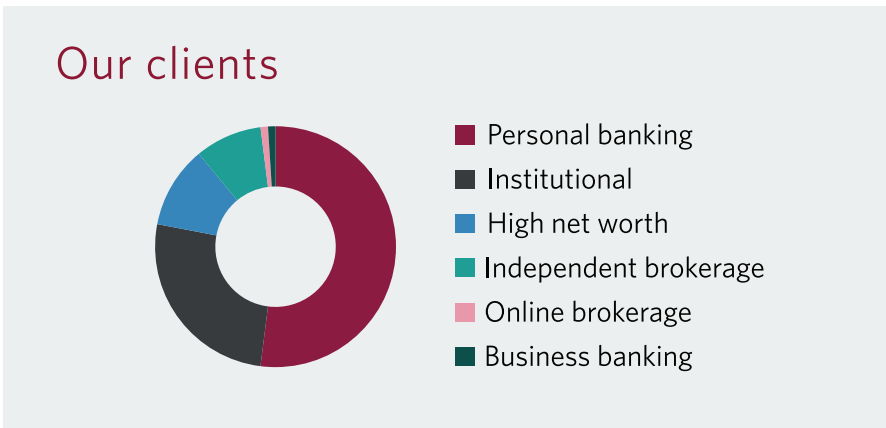
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