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Quarterly Market Review

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This report features world capital market performance and a timeline of events for the past quarter. It begins with a global overview, then features the returns of stock and bond asset classes in the US and international markets. The report concludes with a quarterly topic.

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Quarterly Market Summary

Index returns

	US Stock Market	International Developed Stocks	Emerging Markets Stocks	Global Real Estate	US Bond Market	Global Bond Market ex US
Q1 2024	STOCKS				BONDS	
	10.02%	5.59%	2.37%	-1.19%	-0.78%	0.58%
Since Jan. 2001						
Average Quarterly Return	2.4%	1.6%	2.5%	2.2%	0.9%	0.9%
Best Quarter	22.0%	25.9%	34.7%	32.3%	6.8%	5.4%
	2020 Q2	**2009 Q2**	**2009 Q2**	**2009 Q3**	**2023 Q4**	**2023 Q4**
Worst Quarter	-22.8%	-23.3%	-27.6%	-36.1%	-5.9%	-4.1%
	2008 Q4	**2020 Q1**	**2008 Q4**	**2008 Q4**	**2022 Q1**	**2022 Q1**

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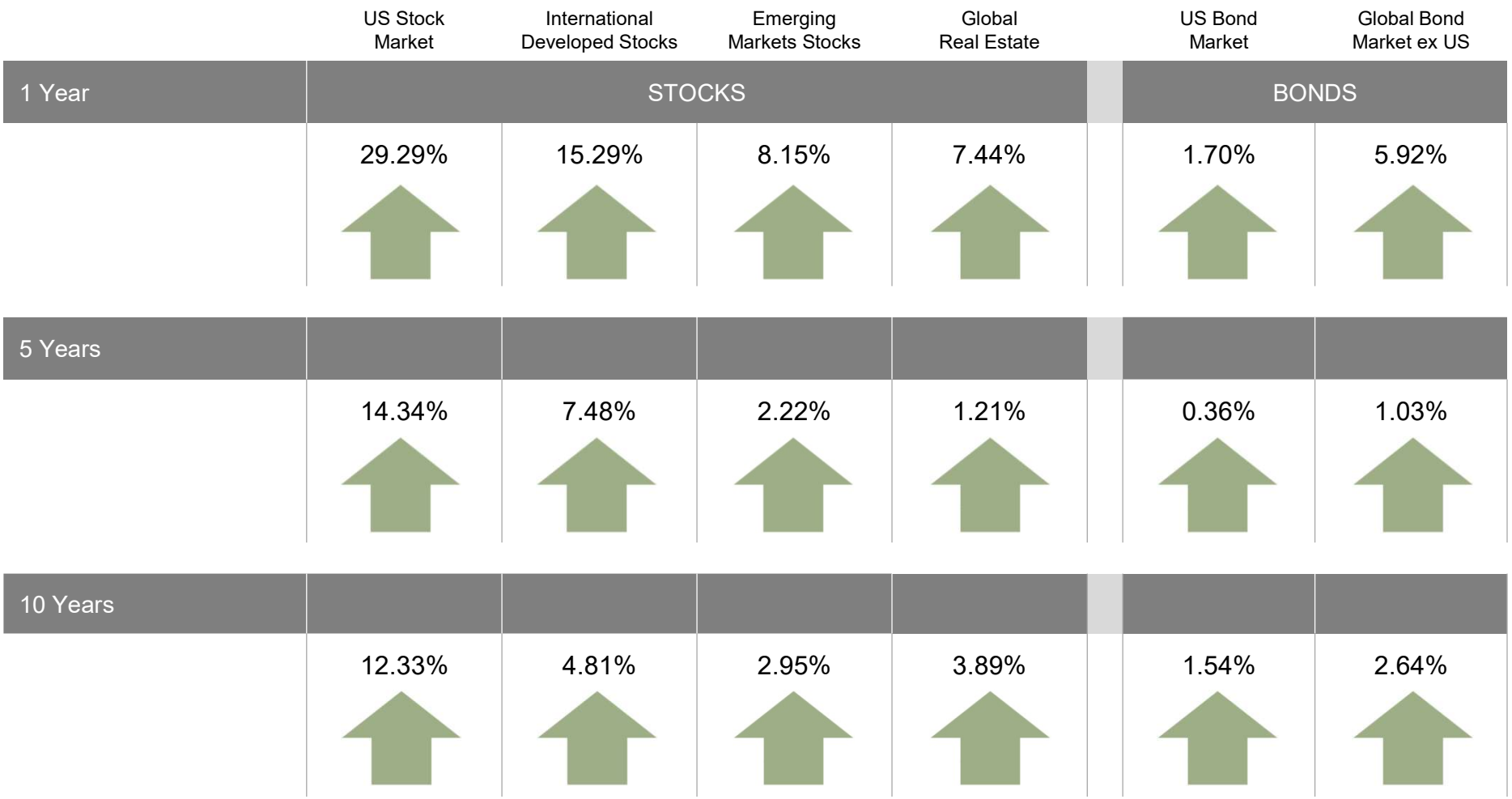
Long-Term Market Summary

Index returns as of March 31, 2024



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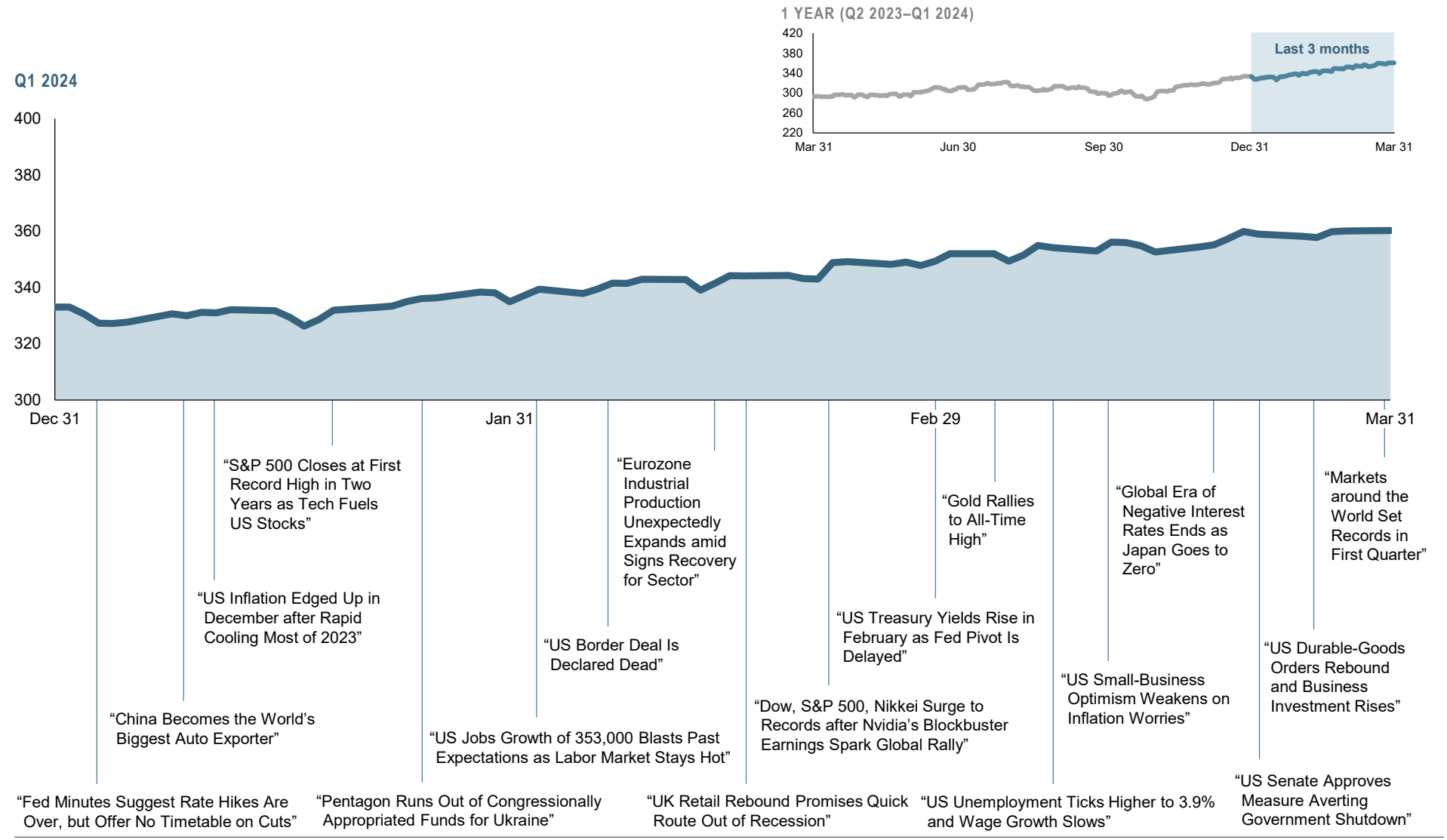
World Stock Market Performance

MSCI All Country World Index with selected headlines from Q1 2024



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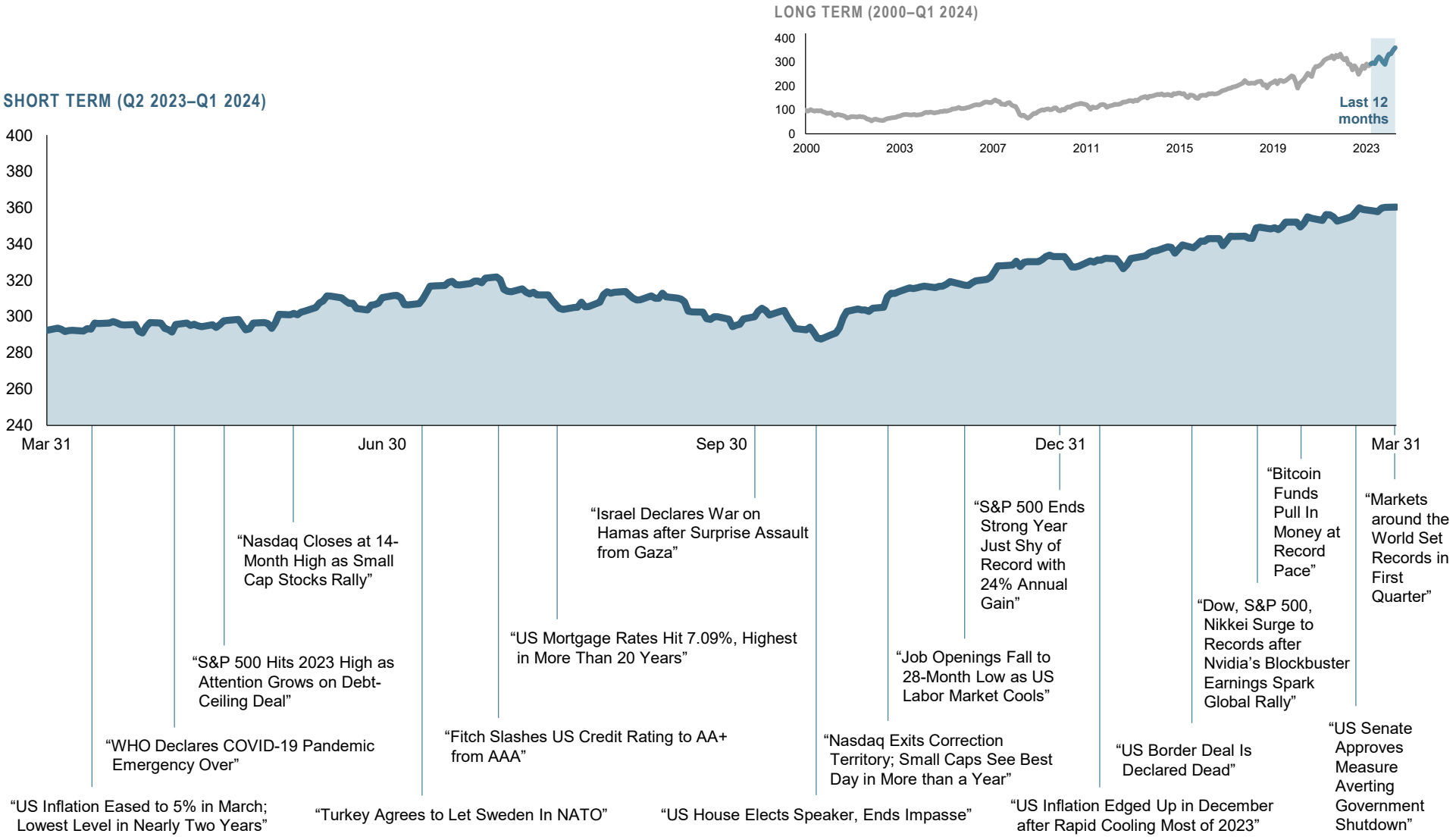
World Stock Market Performance

MSCI All Country World Index with selected headlines from past 12 months



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US Stocks

First quarter 2024 index returns

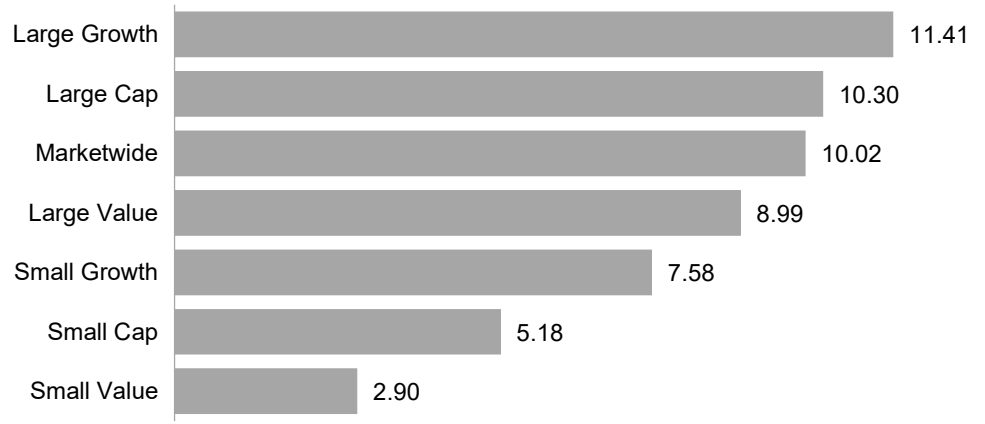
The US equity market posted positive returns for the quarter and outperformed both non-US developed and emerging markets.

Value underperformed growth.

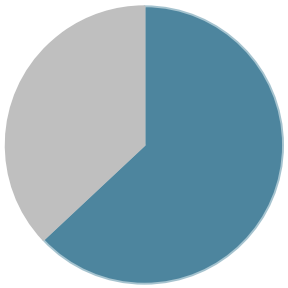
Small caps underperformed large caps.

REIT indices underperformed equity market indices.

Ranked Returns (%)



World Market Capitalization—US



63%

US Market

$50.7 trillion

Period Returns (%)

			Annualized		
Asset Class	QTR	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years
Large Growth	11.41	39.00	12.50	18.52	15.98
Large Cap	10.30	29.87	10.45	14.76	12.68
Marketwide	10.02	29.29	9.78	14.34	12.33
Large Value	8.99	20.27	8.11	10.32	9.01
Small Growth	7.58	20.35	-2.68	7.38	7.89
Small Cap	5.18	19.71	-0.10	8.10	7.58
Small Value	2.90	18.75	2.22	8.17	6.87

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International Developed Stocks

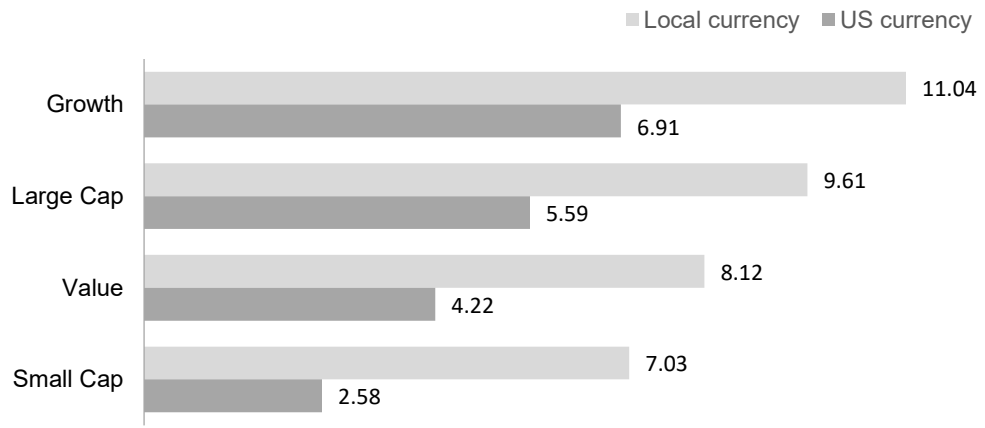
First quarter 2024 index returns

Developed markets outside of the US posted positive returns for the quarter and underperformed the US market, but outperformed emerging markets.

Value underperformed growth.

Small caps underperformed large caps.

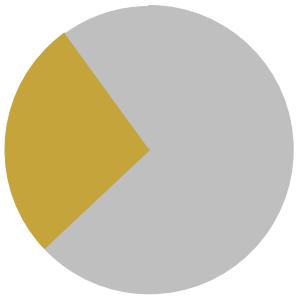
Ranked Returns (%)



World Market Capitalization—International Developed

27%

International Developed Market
$21.9 trillion



Period Returns (%)

			Annualized		
Asset Class	QTR	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years
Growth	6.91	13.66	2.83	7.86	5.74
Large Cap	5.59	15.29	4.93	7.48	4.81
Value	4.22	16.90	6.80	6.62	3.61
Small Cap	2.58	10.04	-0.93	5.39	4.54

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Emerging Markets Stocks

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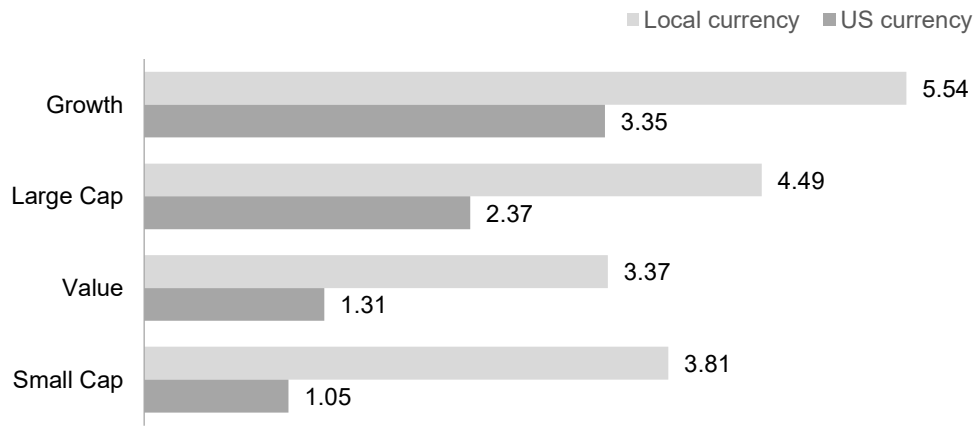
Emerging markets posted positive returns for the quarter and underperformed both US and non-US developed markets.

Value underperformed growth.

Small caps underperformed large caps.

Ranked Returns (%)



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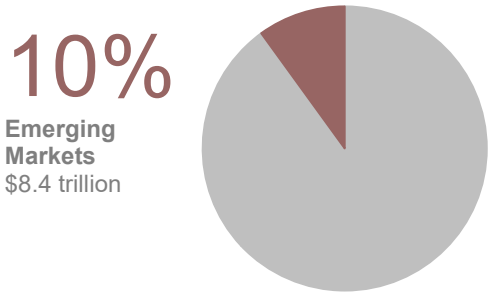

Period Returns (%)

			Annualized		
Asset Class	QTR	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years
Growth	3.35	5.16	-8.85	2.24	3.63
Large Cap	2.37	8.15	-5.05	2.22	2.95
Value	1.31	11.36	-0.91	2.09	2.15
Small Cap	1.05	20.56	4.23	8.51	5.09

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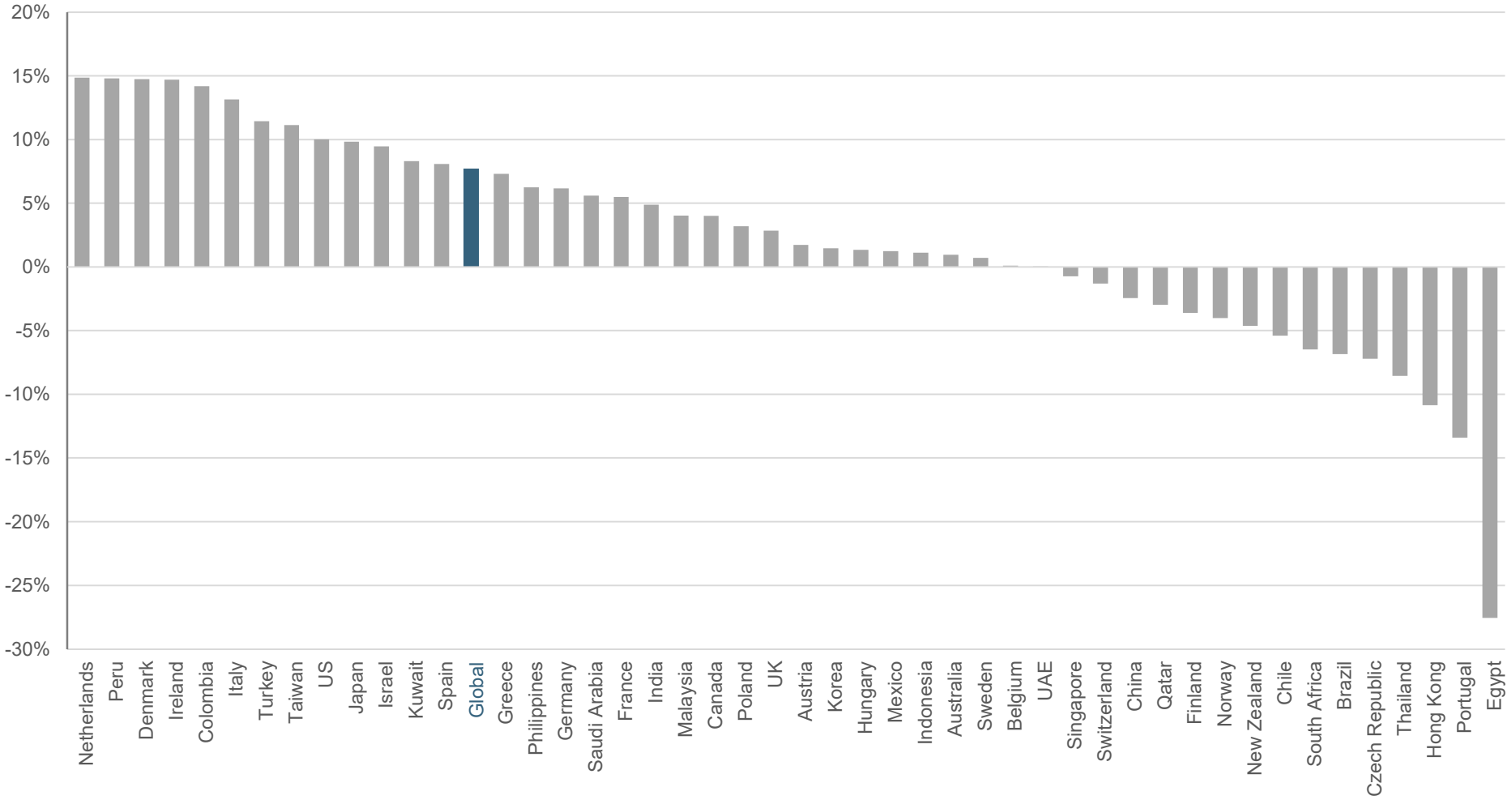
Country Returns

First quarter 2024 index returns



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Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITs)

First quarter 2024 index returns

US real estate investment trusts outperformed non-US REITs during the quarter.

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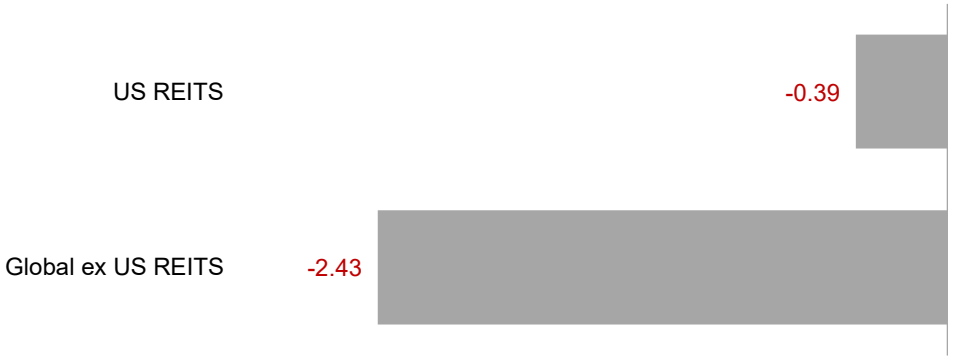
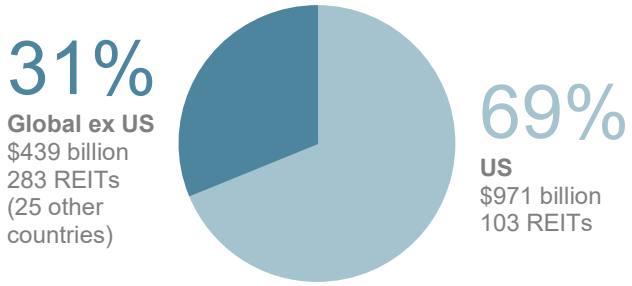


Total Value of REIT Stocks



Period Returns (%)

			Annualized		
Asset Class	QTR	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years
US REITS	-0.39	10.45	3.69	2.99	5.91
Global ex US REITS	-2.43	3.96	-4.19	-2.21	1.35

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Commodities

First quarter 2024 index returns

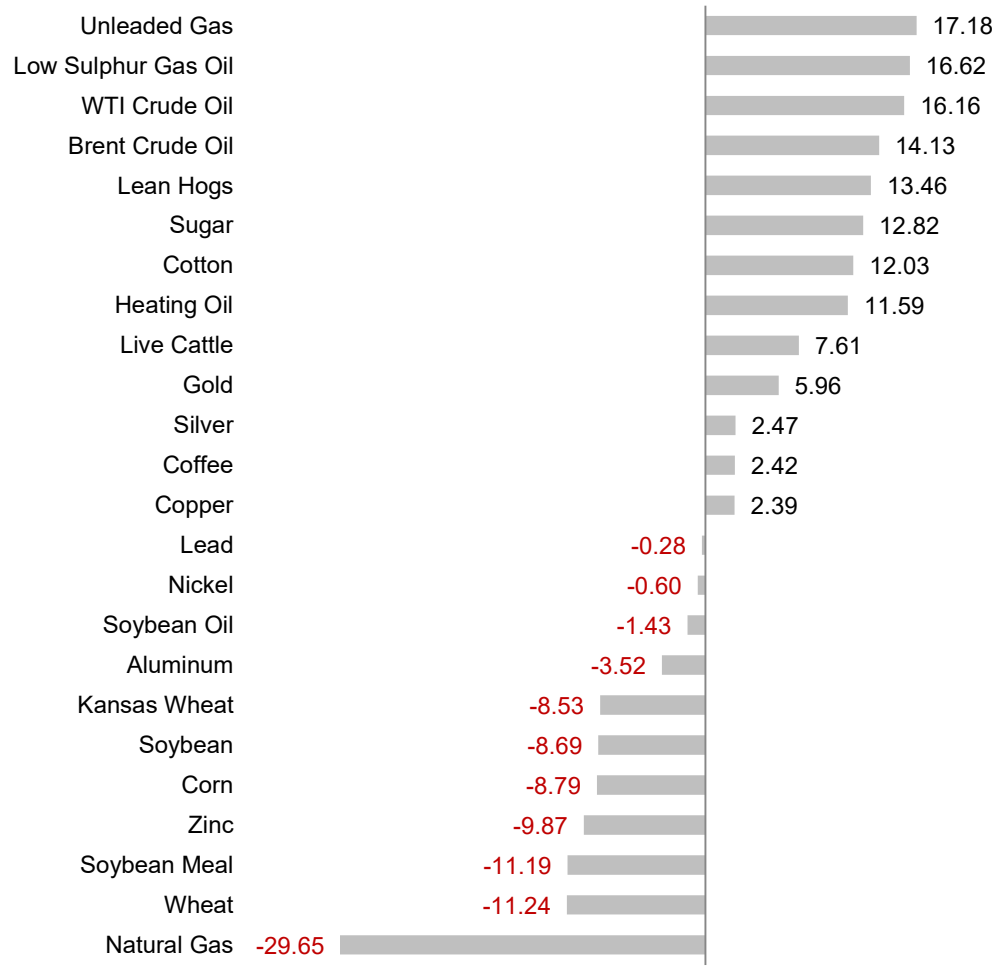
The Bloomberg Commodity Total Return Index returned +2.19% for the first quarter of 2024.

Unleaded Gas and Low Sulfur Gas Oil were the best performers, returning +17.18% and +16.62% during the quarter, respectively. Natural Gas and Wheat were the worst performers, returning -29.65% and -11.24% during the quarter, respectively.

Period Returns (%)

			Annualized		
Asset Class	QTR	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years
Commodities	2.19	-0.56	9.11	6.38	-1.56

Ranked Returns (%)



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Fixed Income

First quarter 2024 index returns

Interest rates generally increased in the US Treasury market for the quarter.

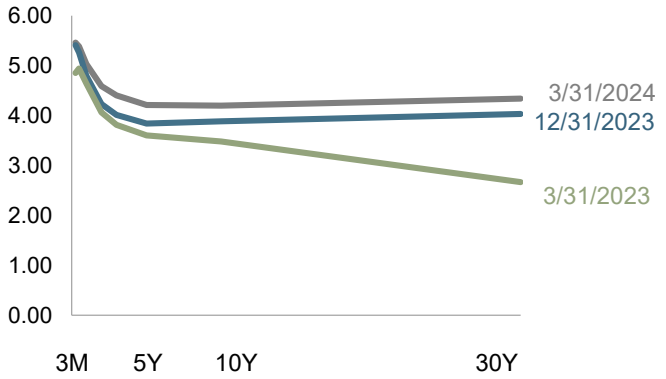
On the short end of the yield curve, the 1-Month US Treasury Bill yield decreased 11 basis points (bps) to 5.49%, while the 1-Year US Treasury Bill yield increased 24 bps to 5.03%. The yield on the 2-Year US Treasury Note increased 36 bps to 4.59%.

The yield on the 5-Year US Treasury Note increased 37 bps to 4.21%. The yield on the 10-Year US Treasury Note increased 32 bps to 4.20%. The yield on the 30-Year US Treasury Bond increased 31 bps to 4.34%.

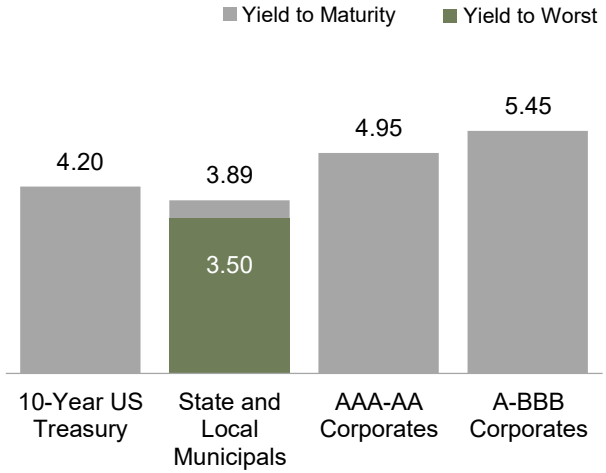
In terms of total returns, short-term US treasury bonds returned -0.05% while intermediate-term US treasury bonds returned -0.36%. Short-term corporate bonds returned +0.60% and intermediate-term corporate bonds returned +0.26%.[1]

The total returns for short- and intermediate-term municipal bonds were -0.19% and -0.52%, respectively. Within the municipal fixed income market, general obligation bonds returned -0.70% while revenue bonds returned -0.27%.[2]

US Treasury Yield Curve (%)



Bond Yield Across Issuers (%)



Period Returns (%)

			Annualized		
Asset Class	QTR	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years
Bloomberg U.S. High Yield Corporate Bond Index	1.47	11.15	2.19	4.21	4.44
ICE BofA US 3-Month Treasury Bill Index	1.29	5.24	2.58	2.02	1.38
ICE BofA 1-Year US Treasury Note Index	0.83	4.30	1.44	1.66	1.25
FTSE World Government Bond Index 1-5 Years (hedged to USD)	0.26	3.66	0.11	1.16	1.41
Bloomberg U.S. TIPS Index	-0.08	0.45	-0.53	2.49	2.21
Bloomberg Municipal Bond Index	-0.39	3.13	-0.41	1.59	2.66
Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index	-0.78	1.70	-2.46	0.36	1.54
FTSE World Government Bond Index 1-5 Years	-1.35	1.27	-2.61	-0.40	-0.68
Bloomberg U.S. Government Bond Index Long	-3.24	-6.03	-8.01	-2.77	1.25

1. Bloomberg US Treasury and US Corporate Bond Indices.
2. Bloomberg Municipal Bond Index.

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Global Fixed Income

First quarter 2024 yield curves

Interest rates generally increased across global developed markets for the quarter. Short-term rates in Japan turned positive.

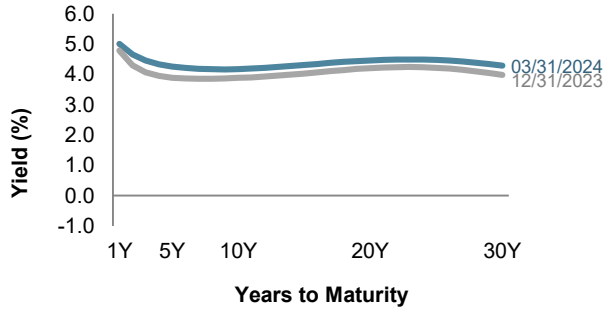
Realized term premiums were generally negative across global developed markets, as longer-term bonds generally underperformed shorter-term bonds.

In Australia, short- and intermediate-term rates decreased. However, in Australia, UK, Germany, and Canada, the short-term segment of the yield curve remained inverted.

Changes in Yields (bps) since 12/31/2023

	1Y	5Y	10Y	20Y	30Y
US	21.7	36.7	29.4	25.5	31.5
UK	27.7	43.7	33.7	25.8	28.2
Germany	29.6	40.0	24.8	19.0	20.2
Japan	8.1	14.0	7.9	7.1	10.1
Canada	8.4	33.3	32.8	31.9	31.9
Australia	5.7	-2.9	0.9	1.7	4.9

US



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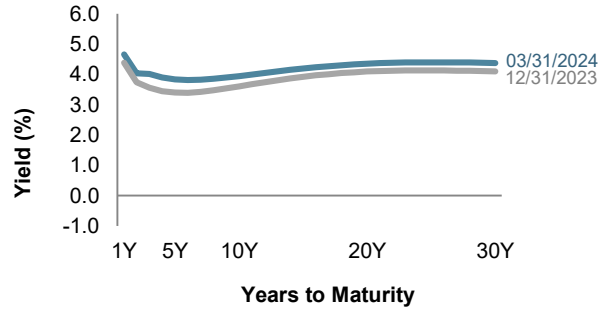

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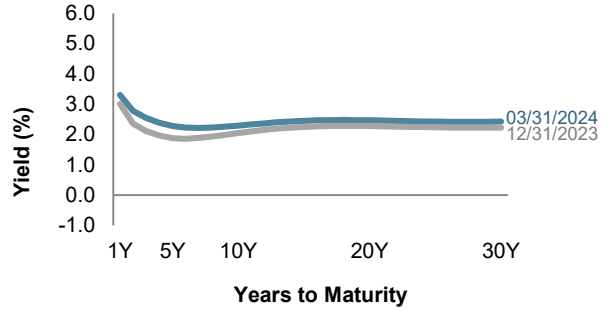

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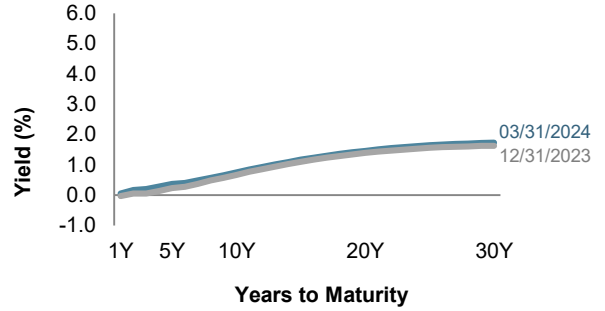

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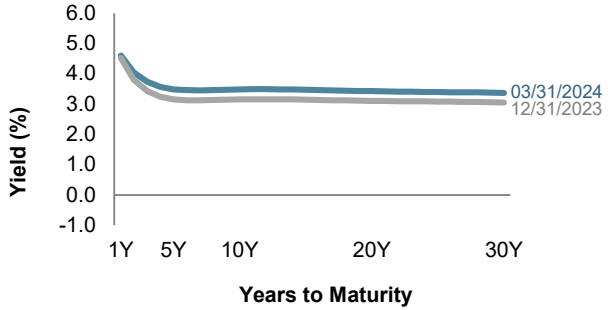

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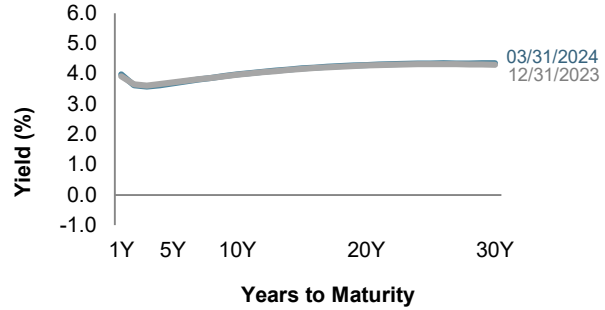

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The Next BlackBerry?

First quarter 2024

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Some investors attribute the Magnificent 7 stocks' dominance to a "winner-take-all" environment in which a handful of companies achieve sufficient market share to hinder competition.[1] In businesses where gaining users drives success, establishing a strong market share may be like building a moat around profitability. But that doesn't guarantee these companies can stay on top.

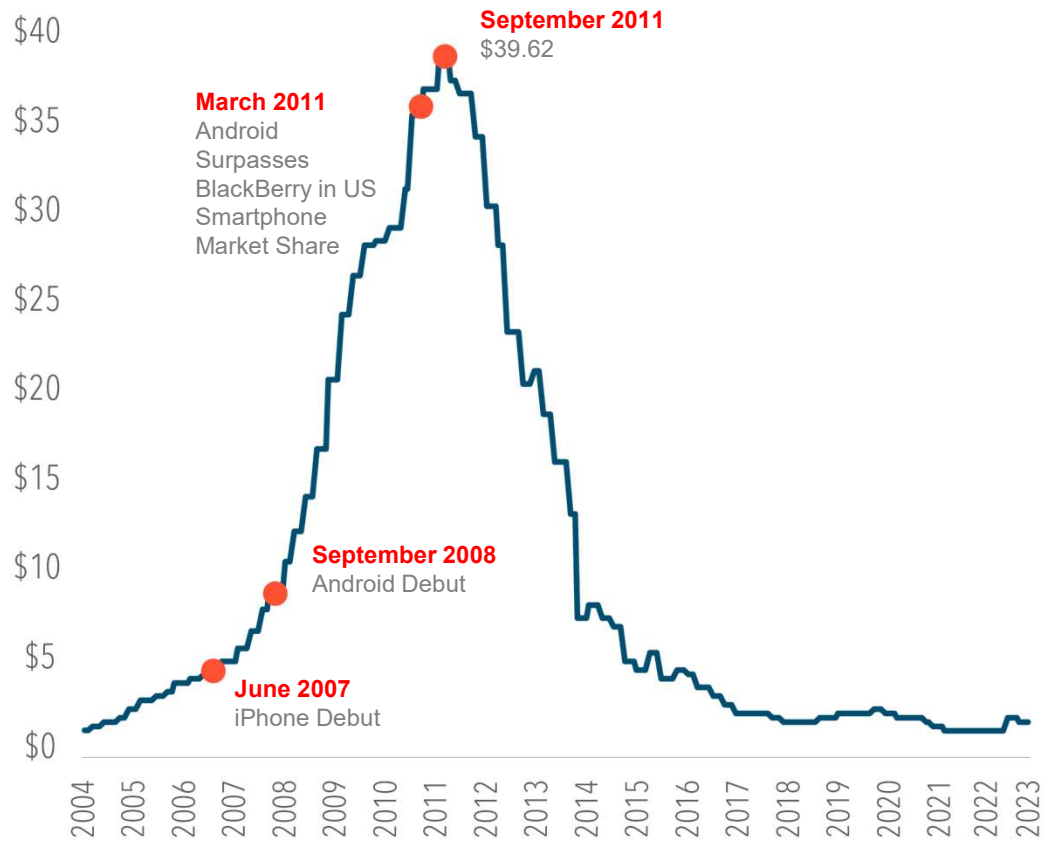
Think about the state of mobile phones 15 years ago. In all likelihood, you would have been reading this on a BlackBerry, such was that device's entrenchment for mobile business communication. Then, along came iPhones and Androids and suddenly BlackBerry's foothold was eroded.

History is littered with examples of household names that were usurped by the Next Big Thing. Remember, Sears was a Top 10-sized stock in the US once upon a time. AOL was synonymous with internet access in the 1990s. And in 2003, the most popular social media network starting with the letter F was Friendster.

Even the biggest companies have uncertain futures, highlighting the need for broadly diversified investments. And even if these companies stay at the top of the market, that's no assurance higher returns will continue if their success is expected.

BLACKBERRY TRAILING 12-MONTH SALES PER SHARE

February 2004–January 2024



1. Magnificent 7 include Alphabet, Amazon, Apple, Meta, Microsoft, Nvidia, and Tesla. Named securities may be held in accounts managed by Dimensional.

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