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Fund flows diverge

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Worst start to a year for bonds and 3rd worst start for stocks

Worst ever start to a year for U.S. Bonds

Since 1926, total return for 1/1-6/30 each calendar year

Year	First 6 months	Next 6 months		
2022	-10.4	Ş		
1994	-3.9	1.0		
1974	-2.8	8.7		
2013	-2.4	0.4		
1984	-1.7 17.1			
2018	-1.6	1.7		
2021	-1.6	0.1		
1999	-1.4	0.6		
1996	-1.2 4.9			
1955	-0.9	0.3		
Avg.	-2.8	3.9		

3rd worst ever start to a year for U.S. Stocks

Since 1926, total return for 1/1-6/30 each calendar year

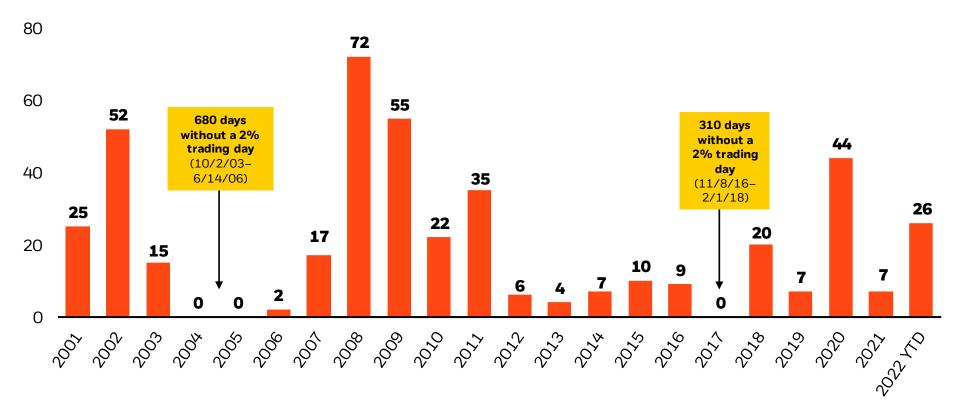
Year	First 6 months	Next 6 months
1932	-43.3	62.0
1962	-22.3	17.4
2022	-20.0	?
1970	-19.5	29.1
1940	-17.6	9.5
1939	-15.7	18.1
2002	-13.2	-10.3
2008	-11.9	-28.5
1973	-10.4	-4.8
1974	-10.2	-18.1
Avg.	-18.4	8.3

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Volatility picking up in 2022

Number of single day stock market returns of +/-2% or more

S&P 500, past 20+ years by calendar year (1/1/01 - 6/30/22)

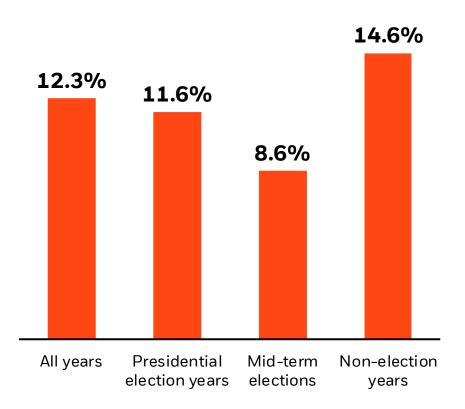


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U.S. stocks across the election cycle

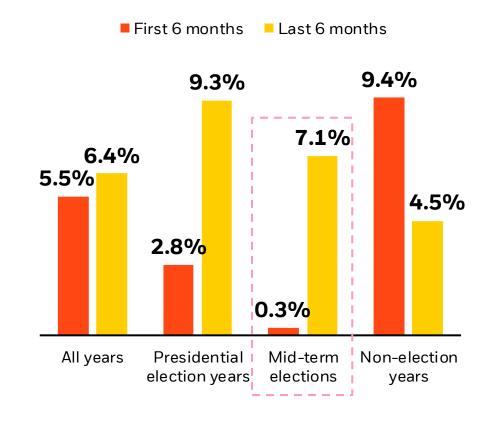
U.S. stock performance across election cycles

Average annual return, 1/1/26 - 6/30/22



U.S. stock performance 1st and 2nd half of the year

Average annual return, 1/1/26 - 6/30/22

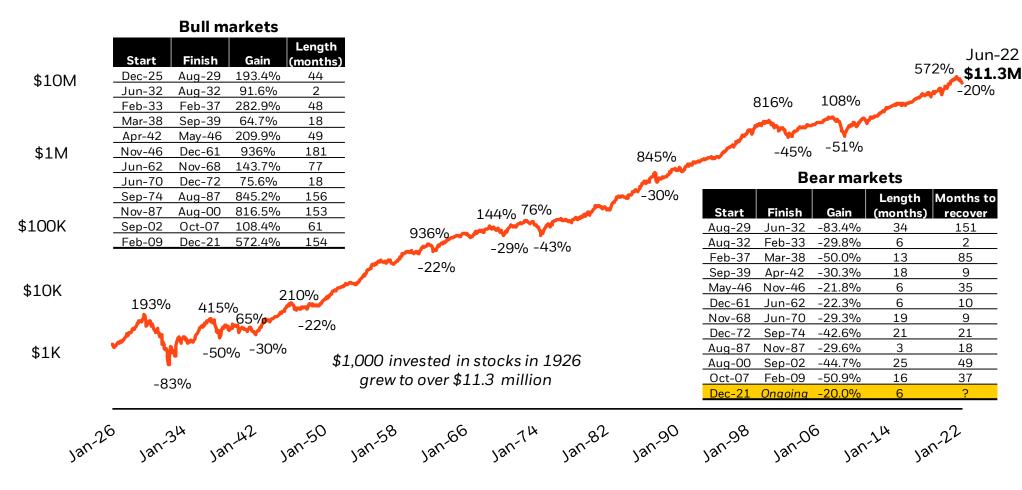


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BULL AND BEAR MARKETS

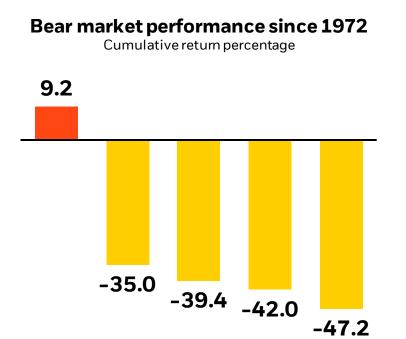
Bulls and bears since 1926

Monthly returns, 12/31/1925 through 6/30/2022, log scale



Source: Morningstar and BlackRock as of 6/30/22. Stock market represented by the S&P 500 Index from 3/4/57 to 6/30/22 and IASBBI U.S. Large Cap TR Index from 1/1/26 to 3/4/57. This illustration assumes reinvestment of dividends and capital gains. Assumes investor stays fully invested over the full time period. Index performance is for illustrative purposes only. Past performance does not guarantee or indicate future results. It is not possible to invest in an index.

Performance during bear markets



U.S. Large Small U.S. Large bonds value caps stocks growth

Recent bear market performance since 1972

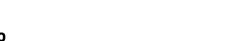
Cumulative return percentage

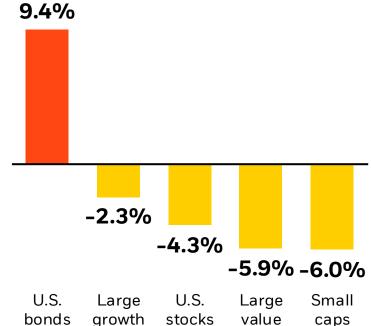
	Oct '07 to Feb '09	Aug '00 to Sept '02	Aug '87 to Nov '87	Dec '72 to Sept '74	Average
U.S. bonds	6.1	23.4	2.2	4.9	9.2
Municipals	2.6	19.6	-0.8	-	7.1
High Yield	-25.6	-8.7	-3.6	-	-12.6
Dividend Growth	-49.2	14.9	-	-	-17.1
High Dividend	-50.3	-13.3	-21.1	-	-28.2
U.S. Min Vol	-41.6	-25.8	-	-	-33.7
Large Value	-54.4	-23.7	-27.0	-	-35.0
U.S. Quality	-41.0	-40.9	-29.8	-	-37.2
International stocks	-56.7	-42.6	-14.5	-36.4	-37.5
Mid Cap	-53.7	-30.3	-30.2	-	-38.1
Small Cap	-52.0	-30.6	-35.5	-	-39.4
Momentum	-52.0	-37.0	-31.0	-	-40.0
U.S. stocks	-51.0	-44.7	-29.6	-42.6	-42.0
Emerging Market stocks	-61.1	-29.5	-	-	-45.3
Large Growth	-48.0	-61.9	-31.7	-	-47.2
Technology	-52.3	-81.9	-34.1	-51.5	-55.0

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Performance during recessions

Performance during recessions since 1972 Cumulative return percentage





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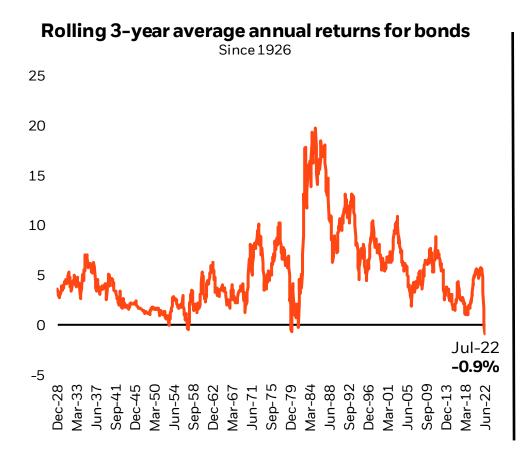
Cumulative return percentage

	Mar '20	Jan '08	Mar '01	Jul '90	Aug '81	Feb '80	Dec '73	
	to Apr'20	to Jun '09	to Nov '01	to Mar '91	to Aug '82	to July '80	to Mar '75	Average
U.S. bonds	1.2	7.2	5.9	7.5	27.1	9.5	7.6	9.4
Municipals	-4.8	3.8	3.8	5.2	18.9	-0.4	-	4.4
High Yield	-7.5	-3.7	-0.6	3.7	-	-	-	-2.0
U.S. Quality	-0.5	-24.8	4.1	10.8	-5.1	8.1	-	-1.2
High Dividend	-2.7	-31.4	-4.4	5.9	8.7	9.1		-2.5
Large Growth	3.5	-31.3	0.8	12.0	-8.0	9.4	-	-2.3
Mid Cap	-7.9	-35.6	1.4	10.2	-5.9	10.7		-4.5
U.S. stocks	-1.1	-35.0	-0.9	8.0	-2.8	9.6	-7.8	-4.3
High Div Growth	-4.5	-29.5	6					-9.3
Minimum Volatility	-3.8	-27.0	-5.2					-12.0
Small Cap	-11.0	-32.0	3.2	7.7	-11.4	7.5	-	-6.0
Technology	1.6	-30.7	-6.6	11.5	-0.7	7.4	-11.4	-4.1
Large Value	-7.8	-38.7	-2.0	6.2	-1.3	8.5	-	-5.9
International stocks	-7.8	-38.9	-9.5	-7.7	-13.2	7.1	-3.1	-10.4
Momentum	-1.1	-42.2	-0.4	6.09	_	-	_	-9.4
Emerging Market stocks	-7.7	-36.5	-4.5	-	_	-	-	-16.2

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Worst 3-year period for bonds ever

Only the 9th time in history bonds lost money over a 3-year period



Bonds following a 3 year period in which they lost money

	3-year average annual return	Next 3 years, average annual return
Jun-22	-0.9	?
Mar-80	-0.7	17.9
Feb-80	-0.5	17.8
Jul-57	-0.4	5.3
Jun-57	-0.4	4.3
Sep-81	-0.3	19.3
Aug-81	-0.3	18.4
Aug-57	-0.1	4.9
Sep-57	-0.01	5.0

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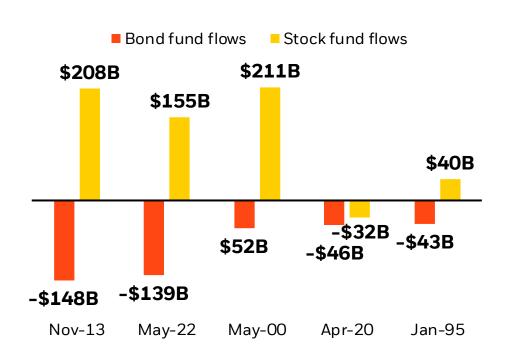
FUND FLOWS DIVERGE

2nd worst period for bond outflows

Bond fund flows saw their 2nd largest outflow ever while stock fund flows remain strongly positive

Worst 6-month fund flows for bonds

All mutual funds and ETFs for each category, Feb-93 through May-22



Periods when bond flows were negative and stock funds were positive

	Bond performance 1 year later	Stock performance 1 year later
Nov- 2013	5.3%	16.9%
May- 2022	,	?
May- 2000	13.1%	-10.6%
April- 2020	-0.3%	46%
Jan-1995	16.7%	38.7%

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Total Ret 1 Year	Total Ret 5 Years	Total Ret 10 Years
-10.62	11.31	12.96
-8.57	1.51	2.38
-10.29	0.88	1.54
-12.82	2.09	4.47
-8.13	0.82	1.15
-10.62	11.31	12.96
-17.77	2.20	5.40
-25.28	2.18	3.06
-1.69	7.42	10.12
-3.67	8.97	10.91
-20.31	9.90	12.93
-15.07	9.85	11.49
-18.77	14.29	14.80
-6.82	7.17	10.50
-25.20	5.17	9.35
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