

August 2026 Global Market Index Performance



Global equity and bond markets delivered positive results in August. The S&P 500 returned 2.7%, the MSCI ACWI IMI increased 2.8%, and developed non-U.S. equities (MSCI EAFE) rose 2.0%. In the U.S., value stocks outperformed growth, while large caps outperformed small caps. The Bloomberg Aggregate Bond Index returned 0.4% and U.S. high yield bonds returned 1.0% for the month.

Markets rallied early in August as de-escalation in the Middle East improved investor sentiment. Despite elevated oil prices, inflation remained relatively muted, with CPI rising 0.1% in July bringing the annual headline rate to 3.4%, broadly in line with expectations. However, markets experiences increased volatility later into the month as Treasury yields surged and Fed Chair Warsh's Jackson Hole speech reinforced concerns around persistent inflation which prompted investors to reassess the potential for rate hikes later this year. Trade tensions also weighed on sentiment, with U.S. tariffs on Canadian goods set to take effect on September 8th, prompting dollar-for-dollar retaliatory tariffs from Canada.

Public Equities	1 Mo.	QTD	YTD	1 Yr.	3 Yr.	5 Yr.	10 Yr.
MSCI ACWI IMI (NR)	2.8%	2.5%	14.6%	22.4%	20.1%	10.5%	12.3%
S&P 500 (TR)	2.7%	2.7%	13.1%	20.4%	21.0%	12.8%	15.4%
MSCI US Large Cap Value (TR)	3.7%	7.0%	18.2%	22.7%	18.0%	11.4%	11.4%
MSCI US Large Cap Growth (TR)	2.3%	(0.2%)	8.9%	18.9%	25.1%	13.8%	19.7%
MSCI US Small Cap (TR)	1.9%	(2.7%)	19.5%	24.7%	17.2%	8.2%	11.7%
MSCI US Small Cap Value (TR)	(0.9%)	(0.2%)	18.6%	24.0%	16.8%	9.7%	10.2%
MSCI US Small Cap Growth (TR)	3.6%	(6.0%)	22.3%	28.9%	18.5%	7.1%	13.1%
MSCI US IMI (TR)	2.7%	2.2%	13.6%	20.4%	20.7%	11.9%	15.0%
MSCI EAFE (USD) (NR)	2.0%	4.0%	13.8%	21.6%	18.2%	9.3%	9.5%
MSCI ACWI Ex US (NR)	2.6%	2.9%	17.0%	27.3%	20.2%	9.4%	9.6%
MSCI Emerging Markets (NR)	3.4%	0.2%	24.1%	39.2%	23.2%	8.2%	9.3%
Real Assets/Inflation Hedge	1 Mo.	QTD	YTD	1 Yr.	3 Yr.	5 Yr.	10 Yr.
Bloomberg Commodity Index (TR)	7.4%	15.5%	32.1%	42.8%	15.1%	12.2%	8.1%
S&P Developed Property	(3.4%)	(1.4%)	6.2%	6.2%	6.2%	(1.0%)	1.0%
Fixed Income	1 Mo.	QTD	YTD	1 Yr.	3 Yr.	5 Yr.	10 Yr.
Bloomberg US Aggregate (TR)	0.4%	(0.9%)	(0.3%)	1.9%	4.1%	(0.3%)	1.4%
Bloomberg Global Aggregate (TR)	0.5%	(0.1%)	(0.3%)	0.6%	3.6%	(1.7%)	0.3%
Bloomberg US Universal (TR)	0.4%	(0.8%)	0.0%	2.2%	4.6%	0.1%	1.8%
Bloomberg US Corporate High Yield (TR)	1.0%	0.7%	2.7%	4.9%	8.5%	4.1%	5.4%
Bloomberg Muni Bond (TR)	(0.2%)	(2.1%)	0.2%	4.1%	3.4%	0.5%	1.9%
Bloomberg Global Inflation US (TR)	0.1%	(0.7%)	0.4%	1.0%	3.9%	0.2%	2.4%
ICE US 3 Mo. T-Bill (TR)	0.3%	0.6%	2.4%	3.8%	4.6%	3.7%	2.4%
US Inflation (1 Mo. Lag)	1 Mo.	QTD	YTD	1 Yr.	3 Yr.	5 Yr.	10 Yr.
CPI - Seasonally Adjusted	0.1%	0.8%	2.1%	3.3%	3.0%	4.1%	3.3%
Other	1 Mo.	QTD	YTD	1 Yr.	3 Yr.	5 Yr.	10 Yr.
US Dollar Index	(0.4%)	(1.7%)	1.2%	1.7%	(1.4%)	1.4%	0.3%

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