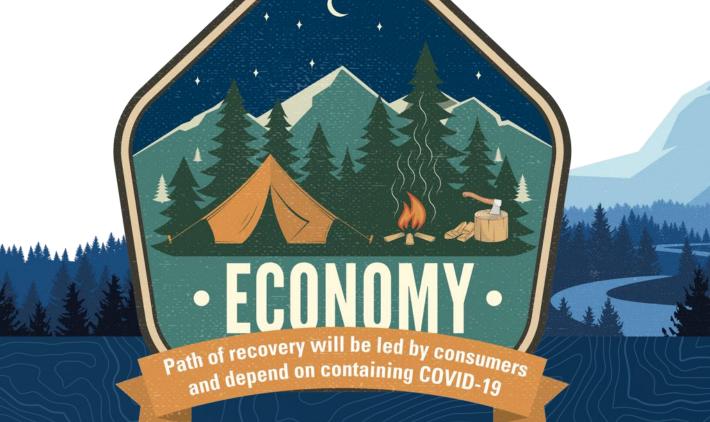
LPL Research Midyear Outlook 2020

THE TRAIL TO RECOVERY





Second Quarter Economic Contraction May Be Followed by Second-Half Snapback





Source: LPL Research, Bloomberg 06/30/20 Gross Domestic Product (GDP) projections are median Bloomberg consensus forecasts. Economic forecasts may not develop as predicted.



2020 Economic Forecasts—COVID-19 Has Had a Significant Impact on Global Growth

Real GDP Growth Forecasts (YoY)	2019	2020 Bull Case	2020 Base Case	2020 Bear Case
United States	2.0%	-2% to -3%	-3% to -5%	-5% to -8%
Developed ex-US	1.3%	-4% to -5%	-5% to -7%	-7% to -10%
Emerging Markets	4.3%	2% to 3%	flat to 2%	flat to -3%
Global	3.5%	-1% to flat	-1% to -3%	-3% to -6%

Source: LPL Research, Bloomberg 06/30/20 Economic forecasts set forth may not develop as predicted and are subject to change.





Bear Market Recoveries Can Take Years

Date of S&P 500 Index Peak	Bear Market Duration (Months)	Magnitude of Decline	Months to Recover
Aug '56	14	-22%	11
Dec '68	17	-36%	21
Jan '73	21	-48%	69
Nov '80	21	-27%	3
Jul '90	3	-20%	4
Mar '00	31	-49%	56
Oct '07	17	-56%	49
Feb '20	1	-34%	?

Source: LPL Research, FactSet, CFRA 06/30/20

A bear market is when a stock index or security closes 20% or more below a 52-week high.

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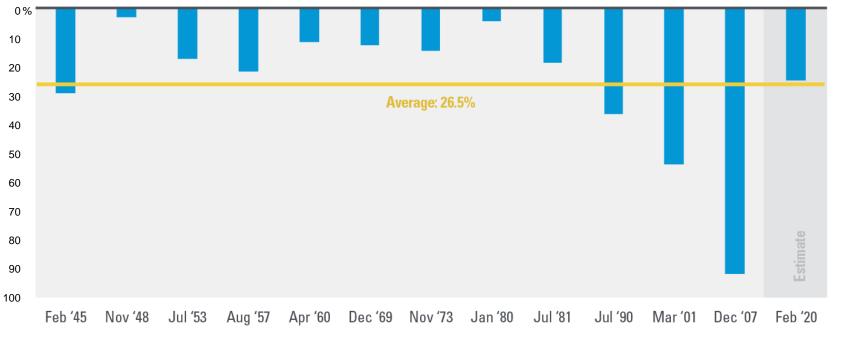
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Earnings per Share Declines During Recessions





Source: LPL Research, NBER, Strategas 06/30/20

LPL Research assumes that the current recession continued at least through April, although that isn't official as of June 30, 2020.

Estimates may not develop as predicted.





2020 US Market Forecasts—Base Case Forecast Allows for Modest Second-Half Gains for Stocks

2020 US Market Forecasts	2020 Bull Case	2020 Base Case	2020 Bear Case
S&P 500 Index Fair Value	3,450+	3,250–3,300	2,650
S&P 500 Earnings per Share	\$130+	\$120–125	\$110–115
10-Year US Treasury Yield	1.5–2%	1–1.5%	0-0.5%

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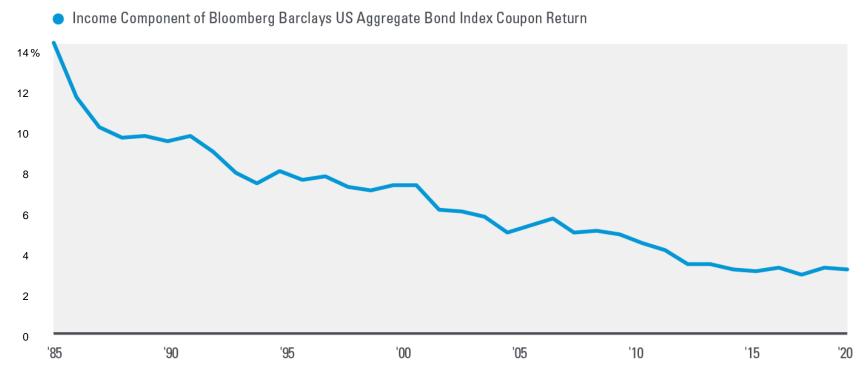


BOND MARKET

Modestly rising but depressed yields may leave investors with little return from bonds



Bond Income Has Been Declining for Decades

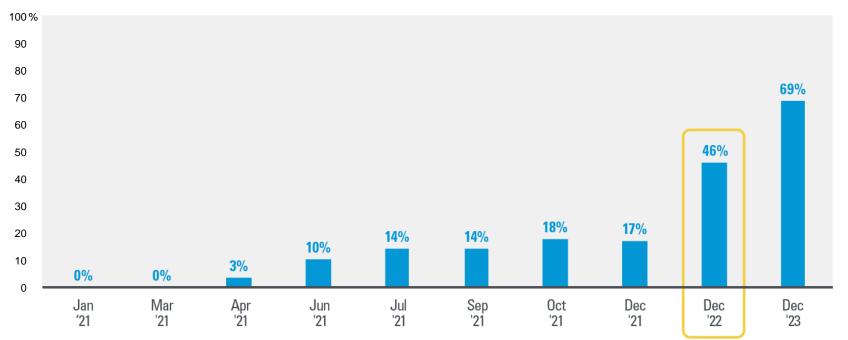


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Less than 50% of Economists Surveyed by Bloomberg Forecast a Rate Hike by the End of 2022

• % of Bloomberg-Surveyed Economists Who Believe We'll Have at Least One Rate Hike by the Given Date



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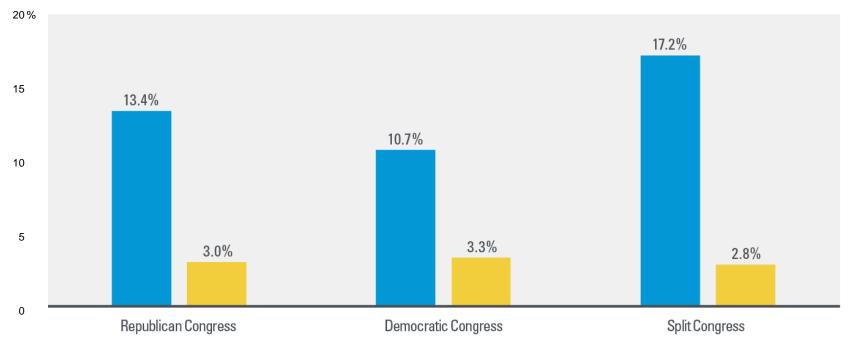


Historically, A Split Congress Has Been Positive for Stocks

Performance Based on Congress Makeup

Average S&P 500 Index Annual Return

• Average Gross Domestic Product Growth



Source: LPL Research, Bloomberg 06/30/20 Data are from 1950–2019.

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Stock Performance Ahead of the Election Could Signal the Outcome

S&P 500 Index Performance During Election Years (1950–2019)

Incumbent Party Wins





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