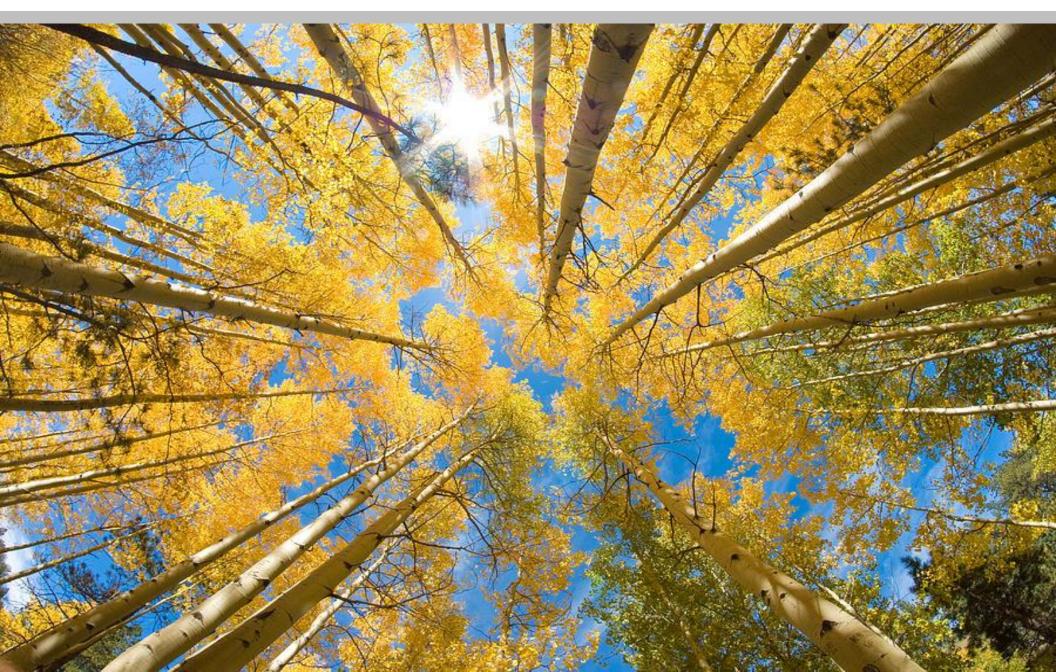


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This report features world capital market performance for the past year.

#### Overview:

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### **Market Summary**

Index Returns

	US Stock Market	International Developed Stocks	Emerging Markets Stocks	Global Real Estate	US Bond Market	Global Bond Market ex US	
2021		STO	СКЅ		BOI	BONDS	
	25.66%	12.62%	-2.54%	31.38%	-1.54%	-1.40%	
Since Jan. 2001							
Avg. Annual Return	10.2%	7.0%	12.9%	10.8%	4.6%	4.3%	
Best Year	33.6% <b>2013</b>	39.4% <b>2003</b>	78.5% <b>2009</b>	37.4% <b>2006</b>	10.3% <b>2002</b>	8.8% <b>2014</b>	
feal	2013	2003	2009	2000	2002	2014	
Worst	-37.3%	-43.6%	-53.3%	-45.7%	-2.0%	-1.4%	
Year	2008	2008	2008	2008	2013	2021	

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### US Stocks 2021 Index Returns

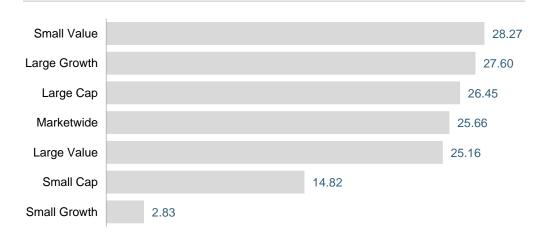
The US equity market posted positive returns for the year and outperformed non-US developed and emerging markets.

Value underperformed growth in large cap stocks but outperformed growth in small cap stocks.

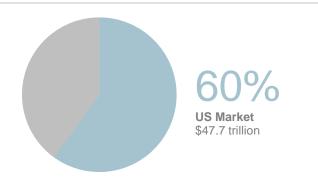
Small caps underperformed large caps.

REIT indices outperformed equity market indices.

#### Ranked Returns for 2021 (%)



#### World Market Capitalization—US



Period Returns (%)				* Annualized
Asset Class	1 Year	3 Years*	5 Years*	10 Years*
Small Value	28.27	17.99	9.07	12.03
Large Growth	27.60	34.08	25.32	19.79
Large Cap	26.45	26.21	18.43	16.54
Marketwide	25.66	25.79	17.97	16.30
Large Value	25.16	17.64	11.16	12.97
Small Cap	14.82	20.02	12.02	13.23
Small Growth	2.83	21.17	14.53	14.14

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## **International Developed Stocks**

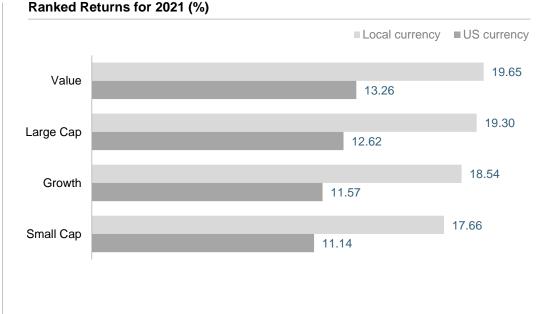


2021 Index Returns

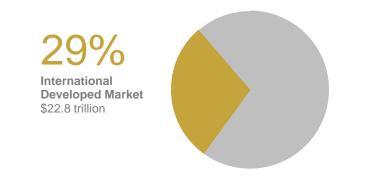
Developed markets outside the US posted positive returns for the year, underperforming US equities but outperforming emerging markets equities.

Value outperformed growth.

Small caps underperformed large caps.



#### World Market Capitalization—International Developed



Period Returns (%)				* Annualized
Asset Class	1 Year	3 Years*	5 Years*	10 Years*
Value	13.26	8.66	5.69	5.83
Large Cap	12.62	14.07	9.63	7.84
Growth	11.57	19.11	13.37	9.66
Small Cap	11.14	16.27	11.03	9.99

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## **Emerging Markets Stocks**

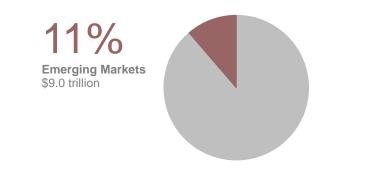
2021 Index Returns

Emerging markets fell 2.5% for the year, underperforming both US and non-US developed equity markets.

Value outperformed growth.

Small caps outperformed large caps.







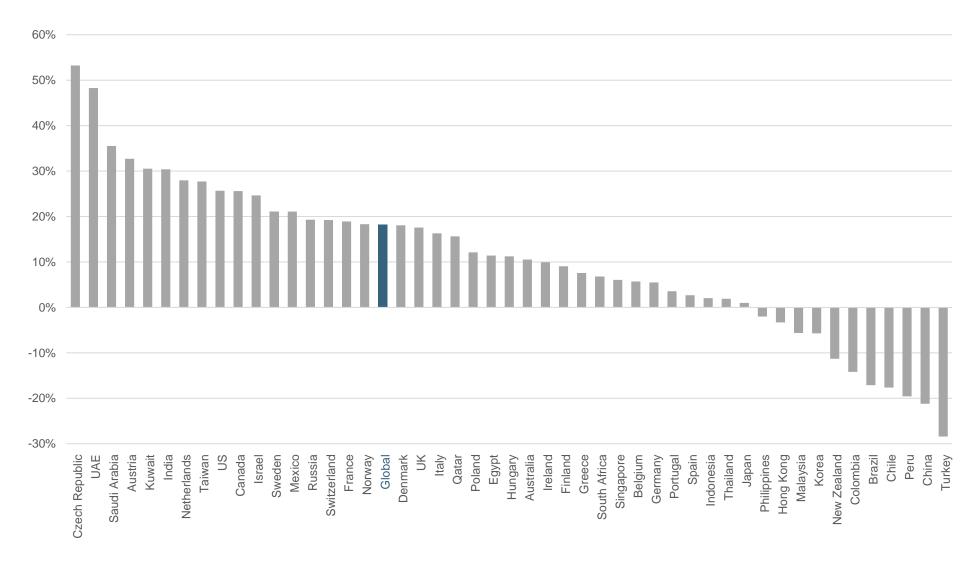
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#### Ranked Returns for 2021 (%)



### **Country Returns**

2021 Index Returns



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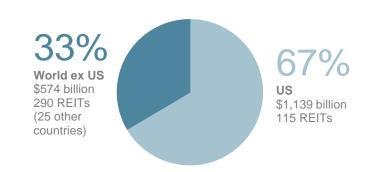
## Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITs)

2021 Index Returns

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



#### **Total Value of REIT Stocks**



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# Commodities

2021 Index Returns

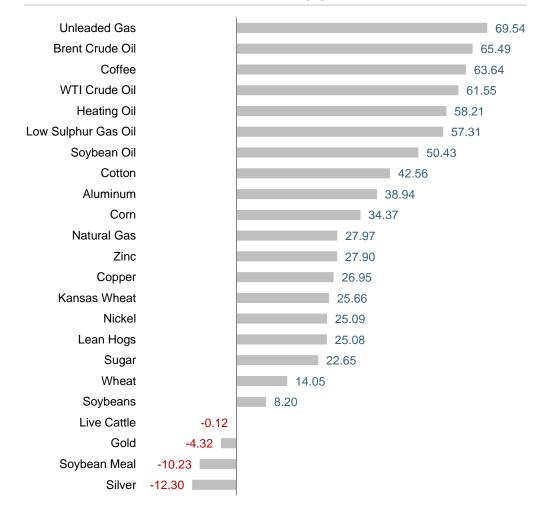
The Bloomberg Commodity Index Total Return gained 27.11% for the year.

Unleaded Gas and Brent Crude Oil were the best performers, advancing 69.54% and 65.49%, respectively.

Silver and Soybean Meal were the worst performers, declining 12.30% and 10.23%, respectively.

Period Returns (%) * Annualized					
Asset Class	1 Year	3 Years*	5 Years*	10 Years*	
Commodities	27.11	9.86	3.66	-2.85	

#### Ranked Returns for Individual Commodities (%)





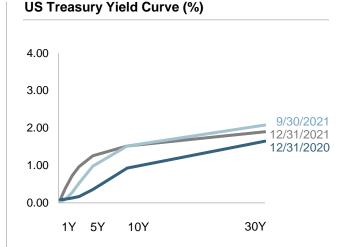
### Fixed Income 2021 Index Returns

Interest rates in the US Treasury fixed income market generally increased during the year. The yield on the 5-year US Treasury note added 90 basis points (bps) to 1.26%. The yield on the 10-year US Treasury note increased 59 bps to 1.52%. The 30-year US Treasury bond yield rose 25 bps to 1.90%.

On the short end of the yield curve, the 1month US Treasury bill yield decreased 2 bps to 0.06%, while the 1-year US Treasury bill yield climbed 29 bps to 0.39%. The yield on the 2-year US Treasury note increased 60 bps to 0.73%.

In terms of total returns, short-term corporate bonds declined 0.47% for the year. Intermediate-term corporate bonds lost 1.00%.

The total return for short-term municipal bonds was 0.36%, while intermediate-term municipal bonds gained 0.51%. Revenue bonds generally outperformed general obligation bonds for the year.



#### Bond Yield Across Issuers (%)



#### Period Returns (%) \*Annualized Asset Class 1 Year 3 Years\* 5 Years\* 10 Years\* Bloomberg US TIPS Index 5.96 8.44 5.34 3.09 Bloomberg US High Yield Corporate Bond Index 5.28 8.83 6.30 6.83 Bloomberg Municipal Bond Index 1.52 4.73 4.17 3.72 ICE BofA US 3-Month Treasury Bill Index 0.05 0.99 1.14 0.63 ICE BofA 1-Year US Treasury Note Index -0.07 1.55 1.42 0.86 FTSE World Government Bond Index 1-5 Years (hedged to USD) -0.802.07 1.89 1.66 Bloomberg US Aggregate Bond Index -1.54 4.79 3.57 2.90 FTSE World Government Bond Index 1-5 Years -0.33 -4.43 1.38 1.79 Bloomberg US Government Bond Index Long 8.78 6.53 4.53 -4.57

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## **Global Fixed Income**

2021 Yield Curves

Government bond yields in the global developed markets generally increased for the year.

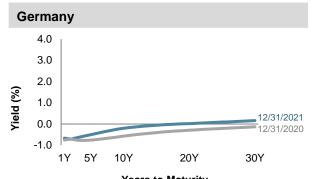
Term premiums were generally negative across global developed markets.

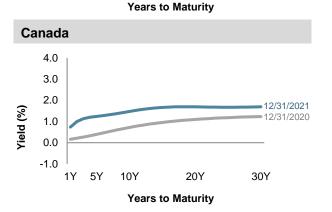
Short- and intermediate-term nominal interest rates were negative in Japan and Germany.

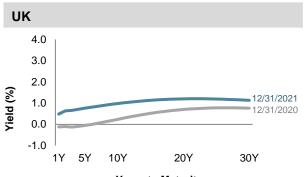
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	11	5 Y	10 Y	20 Y	30 Y
US	29.4	88.0	59.3	46.1	20.1
UK	60.3	81.6	74.2	50.1	36.4
Germany	7.9	25.6	37.0	29.4	30.1
Japan	2.9	3.1	5.6	7.1	4.9
Canada	57.5	84.8	75.6	59.1	46.7
Australia	28.5	93.0	71.6	54.6	41.8

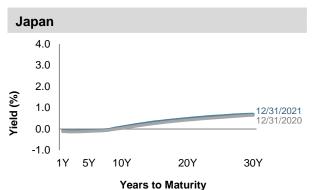


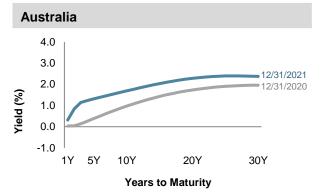






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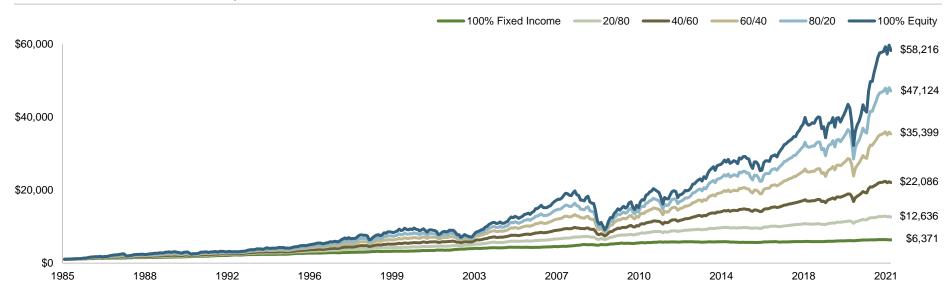


### Impact of Diversification

As of November 30, 2021

These indices illustrate the performance of different global stock/bond mixes and highlight the benefits of diversification. Mixes with larger allocations to stocks are considered riskier but have higher expected returns over time. These portfolios include the returns of the indexes and do not include mutual fund or ETF expense ratios. An investor's actual return would be lower than the numbers listed on this page by the amount of the mutual fund expense ratios – likely about 0.30% for a broadly diversified global portfolio of index funds. **Growth of Wealth: The Relationship Between Risk and Return** 

Period Returns (%) *A						
Dimensional Core Plus Wealth Index Model	1 Year	3 Years*	5 Years*	10 Years*	10-Year STDEV <sup>1</sup>	
100% Equity	23.54	15.92	14.01	12.71	14.06	
80/20	18.55	14.51	12.50	11.57	11.73	
60/40	13.35	12.61	10.53	9.76	9.04	
40/60	8.37	9.15	7.57	7.17	6.12	
20/80	3.23	5.98	4.87	4.05	3.71	
100% Fixed Income	0.33	2.65	2.08	1.04	1.72	



1. STDEV (standard deviation) is a measure of the variation or dispersion of a set of data points. Standard deviations are often used to quantify the historical return volatility of a security or portfolio. **Diversification does not eliminate the risk of market loss. For illustrative purposes only. Past performance is no guarantee of future results.** The performance reflects the growth of a hypothetical \$1,000. Assumes all models have been rebalanced monthly. See appendix for allocation information. All performance results are based on performance does not reflect advisory fees or other expenses associated with the management of an actual portfolio. In particular, Model performance may not reflect the impact that economic and market factors may have had on the advisor's decision making if the advisor were actually managing client money. The models are not recommendations for an actual allocation. Indices are not available for direct investment. Backtested performance results assume the reinvestment of dividends and capital gains. Sources: Dimensional Fund Advisors LP for Dimensional Indices. Copyright 2022 S&P Dow Jones Indices LLC, a division of S&P Global. All rights reserved.