

# Capital Markets Snapshot

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Week ending November 28, 2025

Markets rebounded after early November volatility, with major U.S. indexes posting strong weekly gains. International equities also continued their impressive 2025 performance, supported by a weaker dollar and improving global growth outlook. US economic resilience continues, as recession expectations continue to fade and consumer spending remains resilient. Corporate profits are strong, with S&P 500 earnings on track for an 11% year-over-year increase and margins near record highs. AI-driven innovation continues to underpin tech sector strength, though concentration risks persist. The Fed's resumed easing cycle has eased financial conditions, which helped mortgage rates decline. Inflation has moderated slightly, falling from 3% in 2024 to 2.7% in 2025. Treasury yields hovered near 4%, offering historically attractive income opportunities for bond investors. Seasonal trends of the S&P 500 suggest potential for a strong year-end finish, as December has historically delivered positive returns about 70% of the time of the last 30 years.

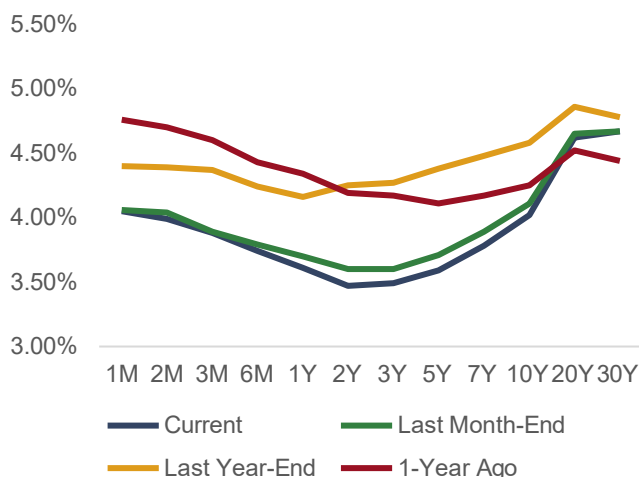
## Fixed Income Markets Overview

- Rates ticked down modestly last week, as US bonds posted small gains to close out November. Since January, all rates have fallen across the curve, with the most movement occurring in the intermediate rates (1-5 year maturities).
- The 10-year Treasury yield ended near 4%, down from its peak of 4.8% earlier this year. Yields remain historically attractive, near 15-year highs, providing income above inflation.
- At the last Fed meeting, Powell's remarks suggested a December rate cut was not certain. Since then, rate cut expectations for the December meeting have become extremely volatile, falling from an expected 100% probability to around 40%. Expectations have since increased to an over 80% probability.
- Mortgage rates continue to trend down on the year, the average 30-year rate of 6.2% is down from its January high of 7%. Falling rates have led to increased housing market activity, with pending home sales at their high levels since November last year.

Asset Class	Name	1W	YTD	3Y(Ann.)	5Y(Ann.)
Short	1-3 Year Govt/Credit	0.1%	5.0%	4.8%	1.9%
	Core Plus				
Core Plus	Intermediate Govt/Credit	0.2%	6.9%	5.1%	1.0%
	International Aggregate	0.7%	7.9%	4.0%	-1.9%
	US Aggregate	0.4%	7.5%	4.6%	-0.3%
	US Treasury	0.3%	6.7%	3.6%	-1.0%
	US TIPS	0.2%	7.4%	4.3%	1.5%
	US Corporate	0.7%	8.0%	6.1%	0.1%
	US Corporate High Yield	0.8%	8.0%	9.8%	4.8%
Other	Emerging Markets Aggregate	0.3%	10.6%	9.3%	1.7%
Muni	US Municipals	0.1%	4.2%	4.1%	0.9%
	US Municipals High Yield	0.1%	2.7%	6.1%	2.6%

Source: Bloomberg as of November 28, 2025

## U.S. Treasury Yield Curve



Source: Bloomberg and U.S Treasury as of November 28, 2025

## Interest Rates (%)

Date	11/28/2025	10/31/2025	12/31/2024	11/27/2024
Federal Funds Rate	4.05%	4.06%	4.40%	4.76%
3 Month Treasury	3.88%	3.89%	4.37%	4.60%
6 Month Treasury	3.74%	3.79%	4.24%	4.43%
2 Year Treasury	3.47%	3.60%	4.25%	4.19%
5 Year Treasury	3.59%	3.71%	4.38%	4.11%
10 Year Treasury	4.02%	4.11%	4.58%	4.25%
30 Year Treasury	4.67%	4.67%	4.78%	4.44%
US Aggregate	4.27%	4.33%	4.91%	4.69%
US Corporate	4.76%	4.82%	5.33%	5.11%
US Corporate High Yield	6.57%	6.78%	7.49%	7.19%
US Municipal	3.58%	3.57%	3.74%	3.46%
US Municipal High Yield	5.64%	5.63%	5.52%	5.26%

## Spreads Over 10-Year US Treasuries

Date	11/28/2025	10/31/2025	12/31/2024	11/27/2024
30 Year Treasury	0.65%	0.56%	0.20%	0.19%
US Aggregate	0.25%	0.22%	0.33%	0.44%
US Corporate	0.74%	0.71%	0.75%	0.86%
US Corporate High Yield	2.55%	2.67%	2.91%	2.94%
US Municipal	-0.44%	-0.54%	-0.84%	-0.79%
US Municipal High Yield	1.58%	1.52%	0.94%	0.94%

Source: Bloomberg and U.S. Treasury as of November 28, 2025

## Equity Markets Overview

- US equities posted strong weekly gains to close out November. The Nasdaq led with a 4.9% gain followed by the S&P 500's 3.7%, and Dow Jones' 3.2%. On a YTD basis, the S&P 500 is up almost 18% as the 3-year bull market continues.
- All sectors were up last week as Telecommunications, Consumer Discretionary, and Technology sectors led the charge, up 5.9%, 5.3%, and 4.3%, respectively.
- Small and mid-cap stocks slightly outperformed large caps, potentially fueled by the increasing expectations of a December rate cut.
- Corporate earnings exceeded expectations, with profits projected to rise 11% in 2025. Looking ahead to 2026, expectations are for continued earnings growth around 14%.

Asset Class	Name	1W	YTD	3Y(Ann.)	5Y(Ann.)
All-Cap	S&P 1500	3.8%	16.9%	20.8%	14.7%
Large-Cap	S&P 500	3.7%	17.8%	21.8%	15.2%
	S&P 500 Growth	4.4%	22.4%	27.5%	16.0%
	S&P 500 Value	3.0%	12.8%	15.0%	13.4%
Mid-Cap	S&P Midcap 400	4.0%	7.4%	11.4%	10.1%
	S&P Midcap 400 Growth	4.2%	7.6%	12.4%	8.3%
	S&P Midcap 400 Value	3.7%	7.2%	10.4%	11.8%
Small-Cap	S&P Smallcap 600	4.6%	6.1%	8.7%	8.5%
	S&P Smallcap 600 Growth	4.4%	6.4%	9.5%	7.2%
	S&P Smallcap 600 Value	4.8%	5.7%	7.8%	9.7%
Int'l.	MSCI ACWI ex-USA	3.2%	28.5%	16.3%	8.1%
	MSCI EM	2.5%	29.7%	16.4%	4.6%

Source: Bloomberg as of November 28, 2025

## Alternative Markets Overview

- Bitcoin rebounded nearly 8% ending the week around \$91k. The coin is down 27% from its October high of \$125k and on a YTD basis returning -2.3%.
- Gold posted a respectable 3.4% increase last week. Its 61% YTD return continues its multi-year run as one of the top performing assets in recent markets.

Name	1W	YTD	3Y (Ann.)	5Y (Ann.)
S&P GSCI	1.7%	7.4%	4.5%	15.9%
Gold	3.4%	61.1%	34.3%	18.9%
FTSE All Equity NAREIT	1.8%	4.5%	6.4%	5.6%
Bitcoin	7.9%	-2.3%	77.7%	38.8%
Ethereum	11.7%	-8.5%	37.7%	42.8%

Source: Bloomberg as of November 28, 2025



### Upcoming Week

- As we move into December and wrap up 2025, it is a light week for earnings reports. Two notable releases this week include Salesforce and Dollar General.
- Key economic releases this week include the delayed September Personal Consumption Expenditures (PCE) Price Index and Core PCE (the Fed's preferred inflation gauge) on Friday, alongside November ADP employment data, ISM manufacturing and services PMIs, weekly jobless claims, and the October U.S. trade deficit.

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Bloomberg Galaxy Ethereum Index is designed to measure the performance of a single Ethereum traded in USD.

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