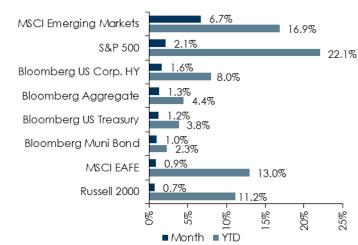
Market Snapshot

Economic Overview

- The FOMC reduced the Federal Funds target rate by 50 bps to 4.75% 5.00%, its first cut since 2020
- Inflation and jobs data were mixed but near expectations, with unemployment ticking down to 4.2% and core CPI holding steady at 3.2%
- China announced a comprehensive stimulus package of funding and interest rate cuts in an attempt to boost their ailing economy

Market Returns

- Emerging markets outperformed as China equities rallied
- Policy easing supported both equity and bond markets



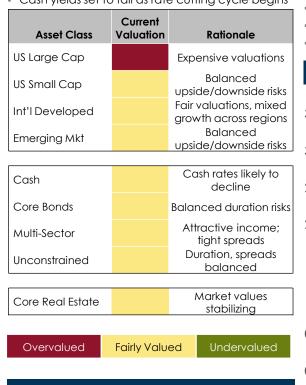
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Fixed Income and Equity Valuation Metrics



Asset Class Valuations - Rebalancing Rationale

- Equities discounting a soft landing and continued easing monetary policy
- Upside for duration limited with additional Fed cuts already discounted by markets
- Cash yields set to fall as rate cutting cycle begins



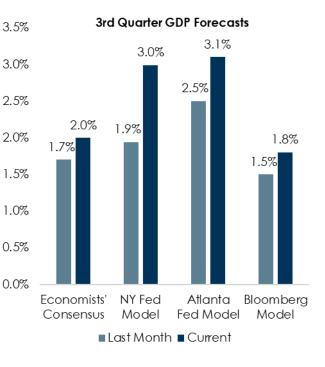
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- Has Real Estate Hit Bottom? (September)
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- Fiscal Policy Impact of 2024 Election (April)

Key Risk Factors We Are Watching

- Stronger inflation and labor market data
- Rising headwinds for consumers (higher rates, student loan repayments, depleted savings...)
- Potential Fed policy error
- Headwinds to corporate earnings
- Rising geopolitical tensions
- Weaker than expected China recovery

Soft Landing Probable as GDP Forecasts Trend Up



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