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## **Quarterly Credit Class Performance**

2Q 2021	3Q 2021	4Q 2021	1Q 2022	2Q 2022	3Q 2022	4Q 2022	1Q 2023	2Q 2023	3Q 2023	4Q 2023	1Q 2024	1 year
Trsy (30Y)	TIPS	Trsy (30Y)	Trsy (2Y)	Trsy (2Y)	Convertibles	EM Svgn	Trsy (30Y)	Convertibles	Trsy (2Y)	Trsy (30Y)	Preferreds	Convertibles 11.0%
7.0%	1.7%	3.2%	-2.5%	-0.5%	-1.5%	8.4%	7.4%	4.7%	0.6%	12.8%	4.4%	
Convertibles	Trsy (30Y)	Preferreds	TIPS	Municipals	Trsy (2Y)	Corp HY	Corp IG	EM Svgn	Corp HY	Corp IG	Convertibles	Preferreds
4.4%	0.4%	3.0%	-3.1%	-2.5%	-1.6%	5.0%	4.6%	2.7%	-0.3%	10.0%	1.5%	9.8%
Corp IG	Corp HY	TIPS	Corp HY	CMBS	Corp HY	Corp IG	Convertibles	Preferreds	Preferreds	Convertibles	Corp HY	Corp HY
3.9%	0.3%	2.4%	-4.7%	-2.9%	-1.7%	4.2%	4.6%	0.7%	-1.0%	7.3%	1.5%	8.8%
Preferreds	MBS	Corp HY	MBS	MBS	Preferreds	Municipals	Trsy (10Y)	Corp HY	CMBS	MBS	CMBS	CMBS
3.6%	0.1%	0.8%	-4.9%	-3.9%	-2.3%	3.7%	3.9%	0.7%	-1.0%	7.2%	1.2%	5.1%
TIPS	Trsy (2Y)	Municipals	Municipals	Trsy (10Y)	Municipals	Convertibles 2.7%	EM Svgn	CMBS	Convertibles	Corp HY	Trsy (2Y)	Corp IG
3.2%	0.0%	0.7%	-5.4%	-4.5%	-3.0%		3.9%	0.0%	-2.6%	7.0%	0.3%	3.5%
EM Svgn	Trsy (10Y)	Corp IG	CMBS	TIPS	CMBS	MBS	Corp HY	Municipals	TIPS	EM Svgn	TIPS	Trsy (2Y)
2.5%	0.0%	0.4%	-5.6%	-6.1%	-4.1%	2.2%	3.7%	-0.3%	-2.7%	6.8%	-0.1%	2.7%
Trsy (10Y)	CMBS	Trsy (10Y)	EM Svgn	EM Svgn	TIPS	TIPS	TIPS	Corp IG	Municipals	Municipals	Municipals	Municipals
2.5%	-0.1%	0.1%	-5.9%	-7.4%	-5.1%	1.9%	3.6%	-0.4%	-3.3%	6.7%	-0.3%	2.6%
Corp HY	Preferreds	Trsy (2Y)	Trsy (10Y)	Corp IG	EM Svgn	CMBS	Preferreds	Trsy (2Y)	MBS	Trsy (10Y)	Corp IG	EM Svgn
2.0%	-0.2%	-0.6%	-6.4%	-8.4%	-5.4%	1.1%	3.6%	-0.6%	-3.9%	6.4%	-0.9%	1.4%
CMBS	Municipals	MBS	Convertibles	Preferreds	MBS	Trsy (2Y)	MBS	MBS	Trsy (10Y)	Preferreds	MBS	MBS
1.5%	-0.4%	-0.6%	-7.0%	-8.6%	-5.5%	0.7%	2.7%	-0.7%	-4.4%	5.8%	-1.1%	1.0%
Municipals	Corp IG	CMBS	Preferreds	Corp HY	Trsy (10Y)	Trsy (10Y)	Municipals	TIPS	Corp IG	CMBS	Trsy (10Y)	TIPS
1.5%	-0.4%	-1.0%	-7.0%	-9.4%	-5.7%	0.6%	2.5%	-1.5%	-4.6%	5.0%	-1.3%	0.1%
MBS	Convertibles	Convertibles-	Corp IG	Trsy (30Y)	Corp IG	Preferreds	Trsy (2Y)	Trsy (10Y)	EM Svgn	TIPS	EM Svgn	Trsy (10Y)
0.3%	-1.3%	1.7%	-8.4%	-12.6%	-6.1%	-1.2%	1.6%	-1.9%	-5.9%	4.5%	-1.8%	-1.6%
Trsy (2Y)	EM Svgn	EM Svgn	Trsy (30Y)	Convertibles-	Trsy (30Y)	Trsy (30Y)	CMBS	Trsy (30Y)	Trsy (30Y)	Trsy (2Y)	Trsy (30Y)	Trsy (30Y)
-0.1%	-3.0%	-3.8%	-10.6%	15.7%	-10.2%	-1.9%	1.1%	-2.5%	-13.0%	2.5%	-3.7%	-7.8%

Disclosures: Past performance is no guarantee of future results. All performance data represents total returns for the stated period. Credit types represented by the following ETFs: 2Y Treasury Bond (SHY - iShares 1-3 Year Treasury Bond ETF), 10Y Treasury Bond (IEF - iShares 7-10 Year Treasury Bond ETF), 30Y Treasury Bond (TLT - iShares 20+ Year Treasury Bond ETF), Corp HY (HYG - iShares iBoxx \$ Investment Grade Corporate Bond ETF), Corp HY (HYG - iShares iBoxx \$ High Yield Corporate Bond ETF), TIPS (TIP - iShares TIPS Bond ETF), Municipals (MUB - iShares National Muni Bond ETF), Convertibles (CWB - SPDR Bloomberg Barclays Convertible Securities ETF), Preferreds (PFF - iShares Preferred & Income Securities ETF), MBS (MBB - iShares MBS ETF), CMBS (CMBS - iShares CMBS ETF).



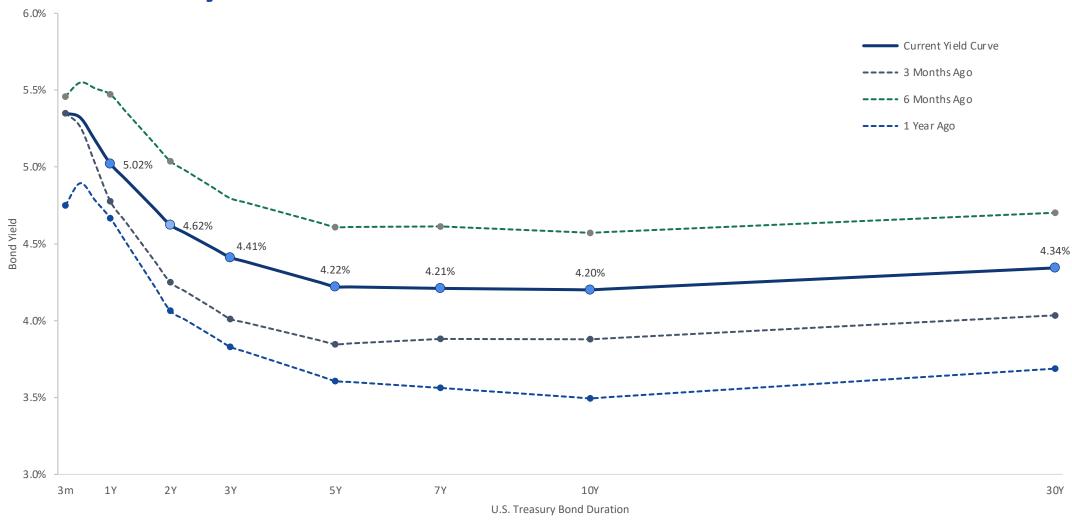
#### **Credit Market Overview**

	Tot	al Returns	(%)	As	sset Flows (	%)	Spr	ead vs 10Y	UST	Yield to	Duration		Current Yield vs 20 Year Range			
Credit Markets	3M	6M	<b>1</b> Y	3M	6M	1Y	3M	6M	1Y	- Maturity	(Years)	Percentile	Range			
U.S. Treasuries													1st			100th
Short-Term (1-3 yrs)	0.3	2.8	2.7	-6.6	-11.6	-8.4	0.4%	0.5%	0.6%	4.6%	-	87%			87%	•
Intermediate (7-10 yrs)	-1.3	5.0	-1.6	12.1	16.5	26.2	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	4.2%	-	77%		77%	6 ●	
Long-Term (+20 yrs)	-3.7	8.7	-7.8	5.1	28.3	67.4	0.1%	0.1%	0.2%	4.3%	-	73%		73%	•	
U.S. Credit													1st			100th
Cash (3-Month Treasury)	1.3	2.6	5.1	-5.4	-3.5	-5.7	1.1%	0.9%	1.3%	5.3%	-	97%			97	7% •
Investment Grade	-0.9	9.0	3.5	3.9	8.6	4.8	1.0%	1.3%	1.5%	5.2%	6.8	52%	529	<b>6</b> ●		
High Yield	1.5	8.6	8.8	-3.4	15.5	20.0	3.1%	3.9%	4.4%	7.3%	3.8	26%	26% ●			
TIPS	-0.1	4.4	0.1	-4.3	-15.2	-24.3	-2.2%	-2.0%	-2.1%	2.0%	7.0	65%		65%	•	
Municipals	-0.3	6.4	2.6	-0.3	6.7	10.6	-0.2%	0.0%	0.3%	4.0%	9.0	50%	50	% ●		
Convertibles	1.5	8.9	11.0	4.3	-10.0	5.1	-	-	-	-		-				
Preferreds	4.4	10.4	9.8	1.3	2.2	0.9	2.3%	2.7%	3.6%	6.5%	9.4	15%	15% •			
MBS	-1.1	6.0	1.0	1.9	9.9	17.4	0.8%	1.1%	1.0%	5.0%	5.8	78%		78%	% <b>•</b>	
CMBS	1.2	6.2	5.1	9.5	-3.1	-23.7	2.3%	2.8%	2.7%	6.5%	3.6	31%	<b>31</b> % ●			

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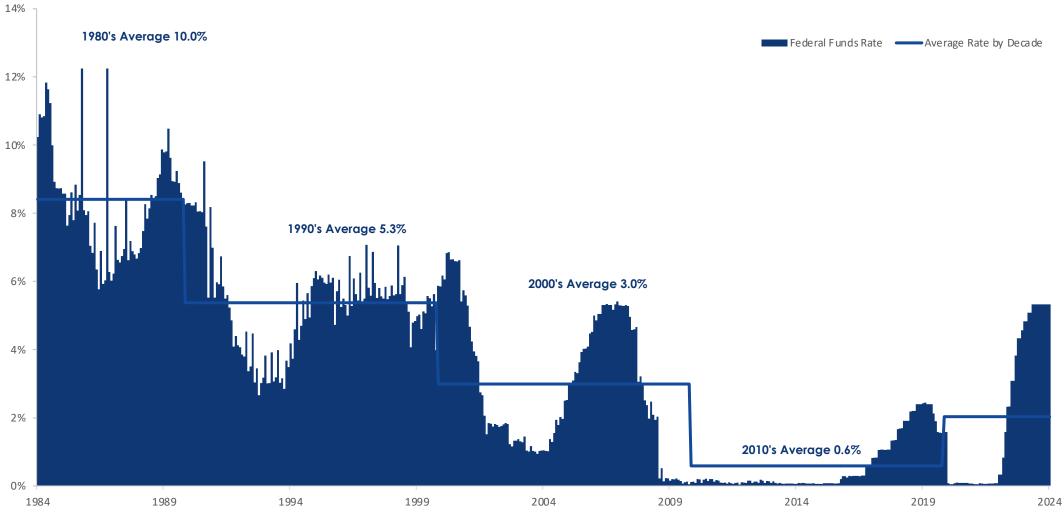
# **U.S. Treasury Yield Curve**



Disclosures: Data based on latest available data sourced from Federal Reserve. The yield curve shows the relationship between interest rates and time-to-maturity.



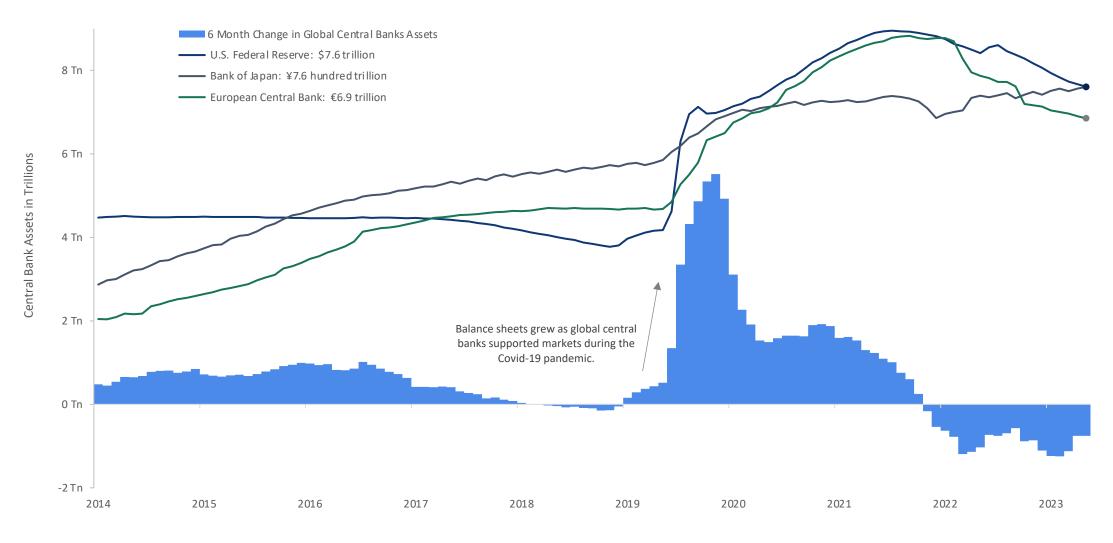
### **Federal Funds Rate**



Disclosures: Monthly datapoints from the Federal Reserve since the 1980s. The Federal Funds Rate is the target interest rate set by the Federal Reserve at which commercial banks borrow and lend excess reserves overnight.



### **Global Central Bank Balance Sheets**



Disclosures: Monthly datapoints from the Federal Reserve. U.S. Federal Reserve Total Assets (ID: WALCL), Bank of Japan Total Assets (ID: JPNASSETS), European Central Bank Total Assets (ECBASSETSW).



# **Real Yields & Inflation Expectations**

#### Nominal vs Real Yield (10-Year U.S. Treasury)

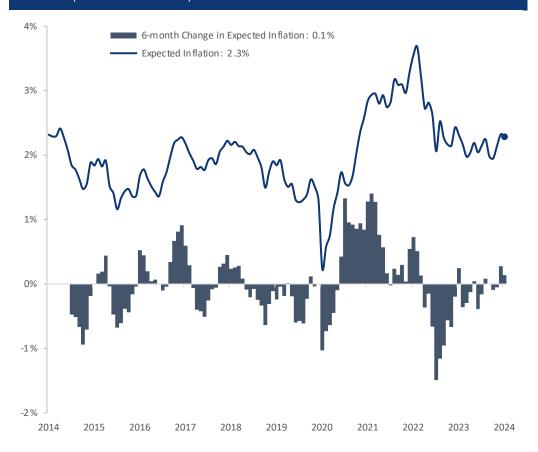
Real Yield = Nominal Yield - Current Inflation Rate



Disclosures: The Nominal Yield is the interest rated earned on a fixed income investment. The Nominal Yield is based on the 10-Year Treasury bond yield. The Real Yield is based on the 10-Year Treasury Inflation-Indexed Security, Constant Maturity from the St. Louis Federal Reserve Bank.

#### **Investors' Inflation Expectations**

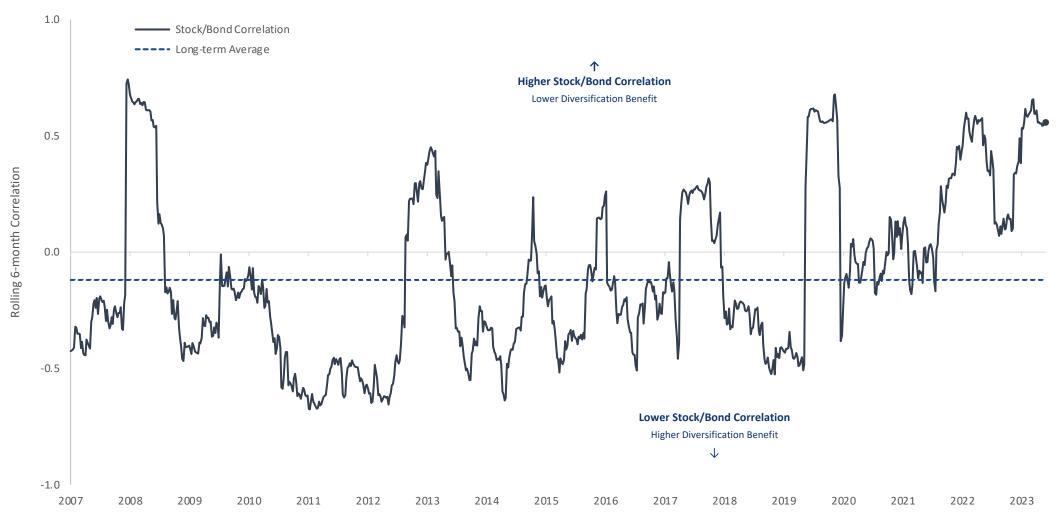
Inflation Expectations = 5Y Treasury Yield – 5Y TIPS



Disclosures: Treasury Inflation-Protected Securities, or TIPS, provide investors protection against inflation. The principal of a TIPS increases with inflation and decreases with deflation (measured by CPI). Expected Inflation is calculated as the yield of the 5-year Treasury minus 3-5 year TIPs. Data from St. Louis Federal Reserve Bank.



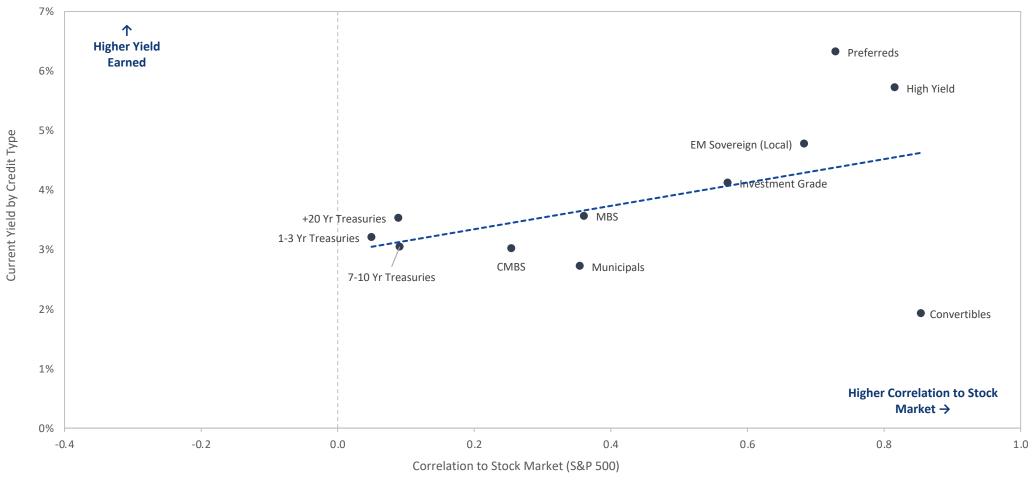
#### **Bond's Diversification Benefit**



Disclosures: Past performance is no guarantee of future results. Correlation is calculated as the correlation of weekly price returns over the past rolling 6-month period. Stocks are represented by the State Street SPDR S&P 500 ETF (SPY) and bonds by the iShares Core U.S. Aggregate ETF (AGG). The long-term average is calculated as the average correlation over the past 15 years.



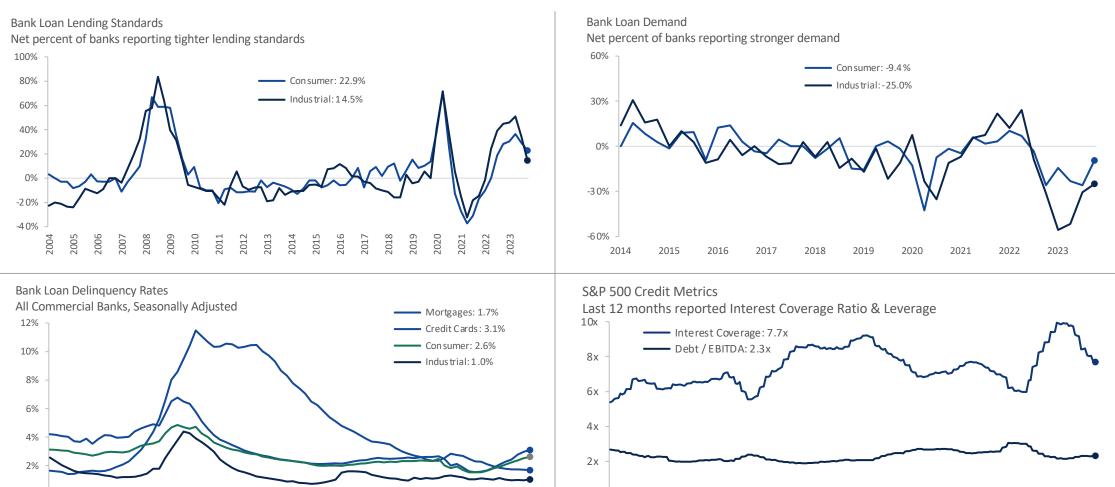
# **Correlation to S&P 500 by Credit Class**



Disclosures: Correlations are calculated based on 10 years of monthly price returns. Credit classes represented by the following ETFs: 2-Year US Treasuries (SHY - iShares 1-3 Year Treasury Bond ETF), 10-Year UST (IEF - iShares 7-10 Year Treasury Bond ETF), 30-Year UST (TLT - iShares 20+ Year Treasury Bond ETF), EM Sovereign (LEMB- iShares J.P. Morgan EM Local Currency Bond ETF), Cash (BIL - SPDR Bloomberg Barclays 1-3 Month T-Bill ETF), Investment Grade (LQD - iShares iBoxx \$ Investment Grade Corporate Bond ETF), High Yield (HYG - iShares iBoxx \$ High Yield Corporate Bond ETF), TIPS (TIP - iShares TIPS Bond ETF), Municipals (MUB - iShares National Muni Bond ETF), Convertibles (CWB - SPDR Bloomberg Barclays Convertible Securities ETF), Preferreds (PFF - iShares Preferred & Income Securities ETF), MBS (MBB - iShares MBS ETF), CMBS (CMBS - iShares CMBS ETF).



### **Credit Conditions**

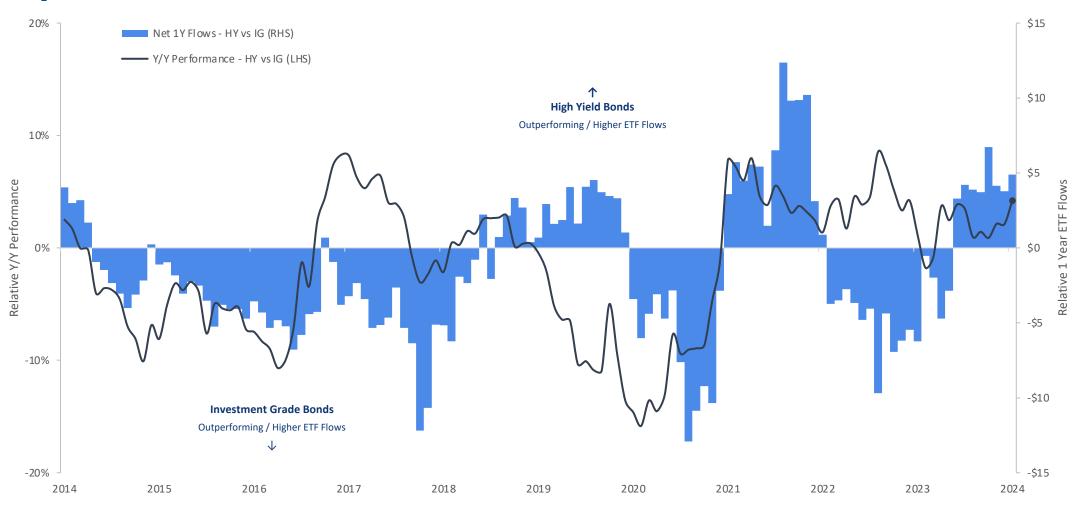


Disclosures: Based on latest available data sourced from the Federal Reserve. S&P 500 credit metrics based on last 12 month reported results using the State Street SPDR S&P 500 ETF (SPY).

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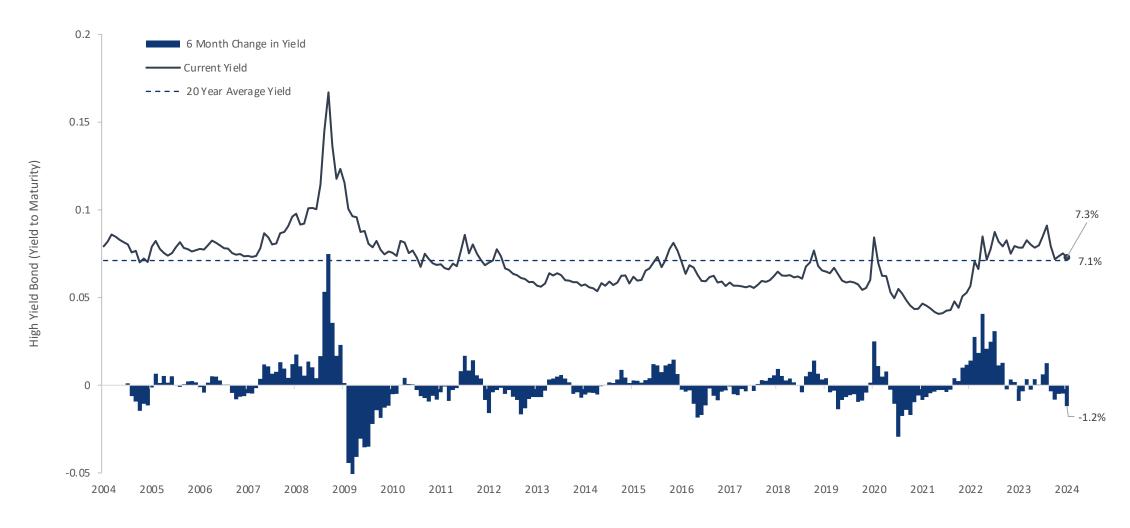
## **Corporate Bonds - Flows & Performance**



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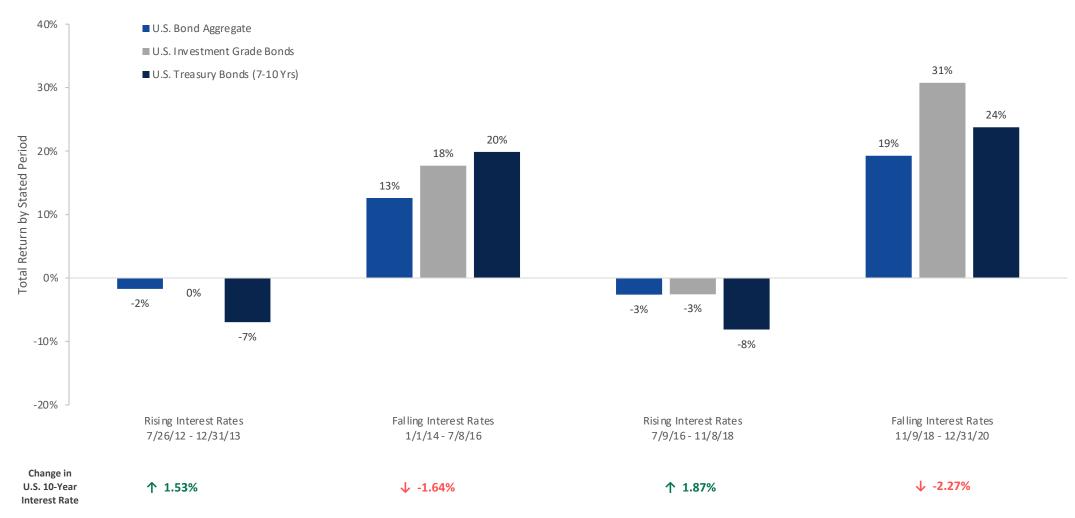
# **High Yield Bond Market**



Disclosure: Past performance is no guarantee of future results. The current yield is based on the ICE BofA U.S. High Yield 100 index. The average yield is based on 20 years of monthly datapoints.



## **Bond Returns in Rising & Falling Interest Rate Environments**



Disclosures: Past performance is no guarantee of future results. Data sourced from the Federal Reserve. All performance is based on total returns. Credit types are represented by the following ETFs: U.S. Bond Aggregate (AGG - iShares Core U.S. Aggregate Bond ETF), U.S. Investment Grade Bonds (LQD - iShares iBoxx \$ Investment Grade Corporate Bond ETF), and U.S. Treasury Bonds (IEF - iShares 7-10 Year Treasury Bond ETF).



# **Definitions**

Correlation	A measure of the extent to which two variables are related.
Bank of Japan	The Bank of Japan, or BOJ, is Japan's central bank; it has been operational since 1885—when it first issued currency. The BOJ is responsible for determining monetary policy, setting interest rates, and issuing and monitoring currency and treasury securities.
European Central Bank	The European Central Bank (ECB) is the central bank responsible for monetary policy of those European Union (EU) member countries which have adopted the euro currency.
Federal Funds Rate	The target interest rate set by the Federal Reserve at which commercial banks borrow and lend excess reserves overnight.
Federal Reserve	The Federal Reserve System is the central bank of the United States. It was founded by Congress in 1913 to provide the nation with a safer, more flexible, and more stable monetary and financial system.
High Yield Corporate Bonds	In finance, a high-yield bond is a bond that is rated below investment grade by credit rating agencies. These bonds have a higher risk of default or other adverse credit events but offer higher yields than investment grade bonds in order to compensate for the increased risk.
Investment Grade Corporate Bonds	Investment grade refers to the quality of a company's credit. To be considered an investment grade issue, the company must be rated at 'BBB' or higher by Standard and Poor's or Moody's. Anything below this 'BBB' rating is considered non-investment grade.
Nominal Yield	The interest rated earned on a fixed income investment.
Price Return	The rate of return on an investment portfolio, where the return measure takes into account only the capital appreciation of the portfolio, not including income generated in the form of interest or dividends.
Real Yield	The interest rate earned on a fixed income investment after factoring in the impact of inflation as measured by the Consumer Price Index (CPI).
Treasury Bonds	Treasuries are debt obligations issued and backed by the full faith and credit of the U.S. government.
Treasury Inflation-Protected Securities (TIPs)	Provide investors protection against inflation. The principal of a TIPS increases with inflation and decreases with deflation as measured by the Consumer Price Index (CPI).
Total Return	The return on a portfolio of investments taking into account capital appreciation as well as any income received on the portfolio.
Yield Curve	Refers to the relationship between the remaining time-to-maturity of debt securities and the yield on those securities. Yield curves have many practical uses, including pricing of various fixed-income securities, and are closely watched by market participants for potential clues about the market's perception of the path of the policy rate and the macroeconomic outlook.
Yield to Maturity (YTM)	Total rate of return that will have been earned by a bond when it makes all interest payments and repays the original principal.



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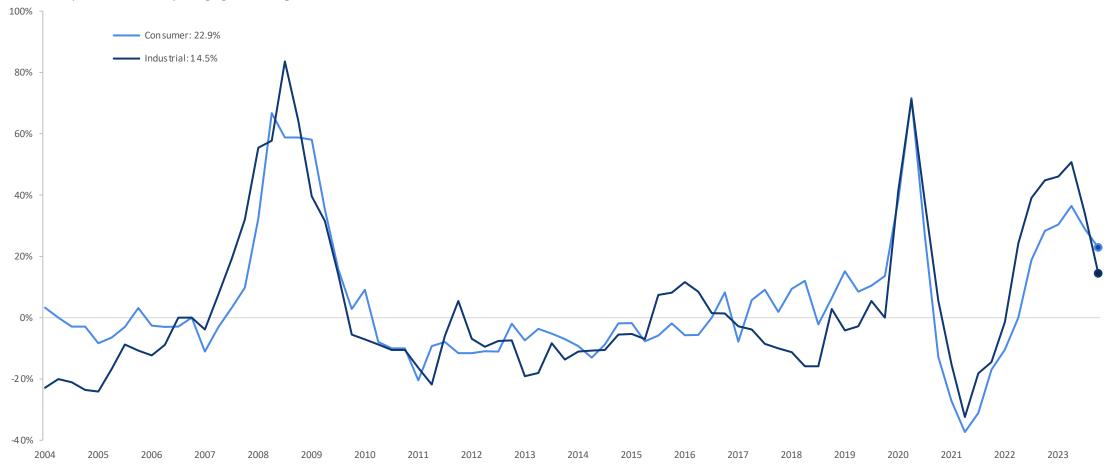
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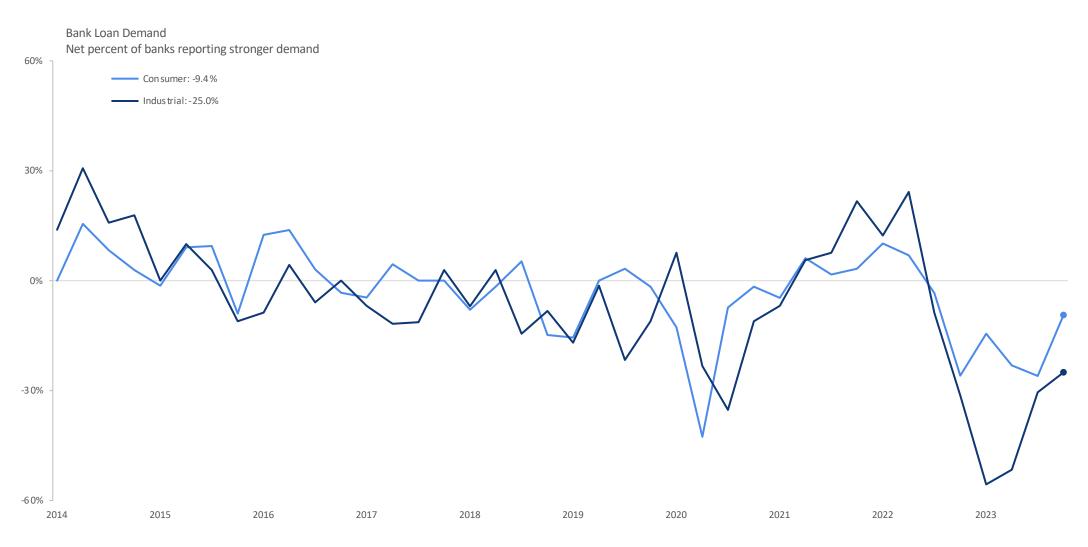
# **Credit Conditions – Lending Standards**

Bank Loan Lending Standards
Net percent of banks reporting tighter lending standards





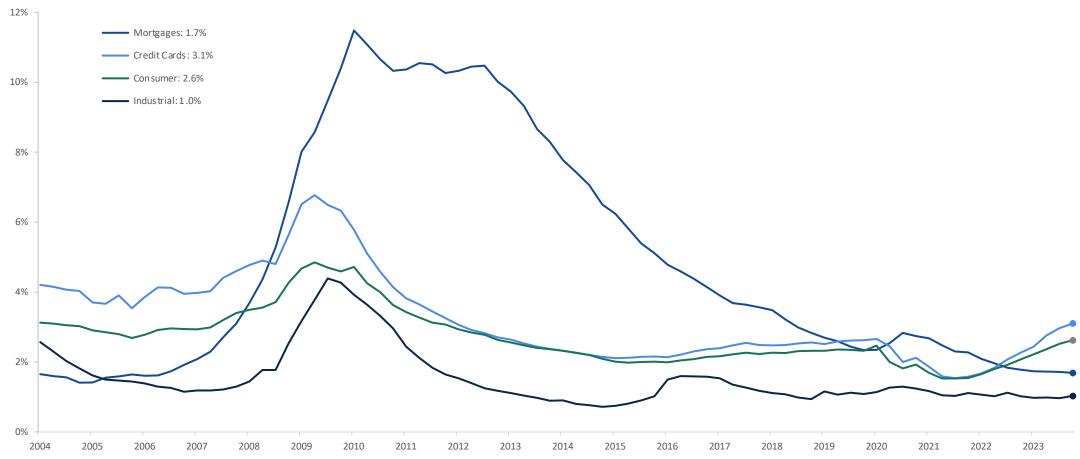
## **Credit Conditions – Loan Demand**





# **Credit Conditions – Delinquency Rates**







### **Credit Conditions – S&P 500 Credit Metrics**

S&P 500 Credit Metrics Last 12 months reported Interest Coverage Ratio & Leverage

