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This report features world capital market performance and a timeline of events for the last quarter. It begins with a global overview, then features the returns of stock and bond asset classes in the US and international markets.

The report also illustrates the performance of globally diversified portfolios and features a topic of the quarter.

### Overview:

Market Summary **Timeline of Events** World Asset Classes **US Stocks** International Developed Stocks **Emerging Markets Stocks** Select Country Performance Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITs) Commodities **Fixed Income Global Diversification** Quarterly Topic: The Art of Letting Go

## Market Summary

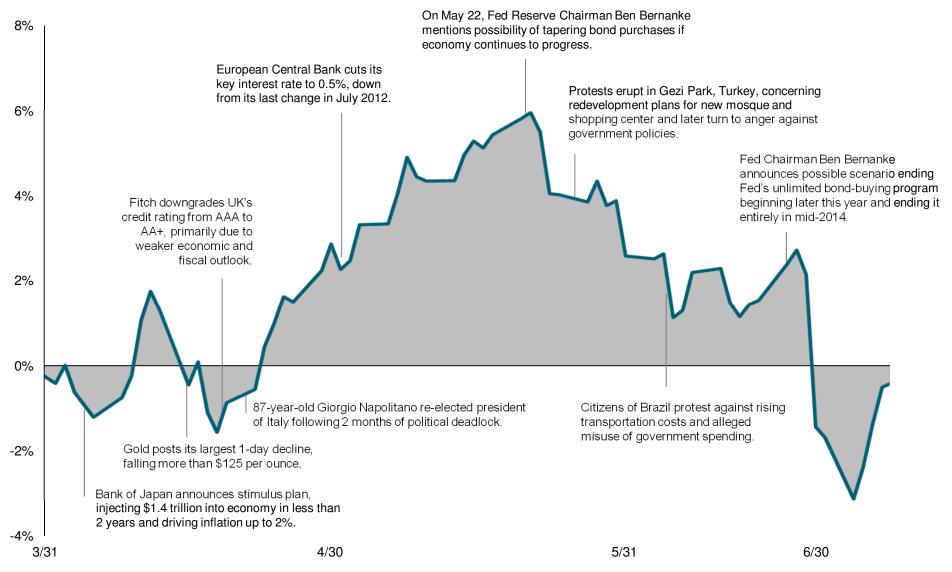
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## Timeline of Events: Quarter in Review

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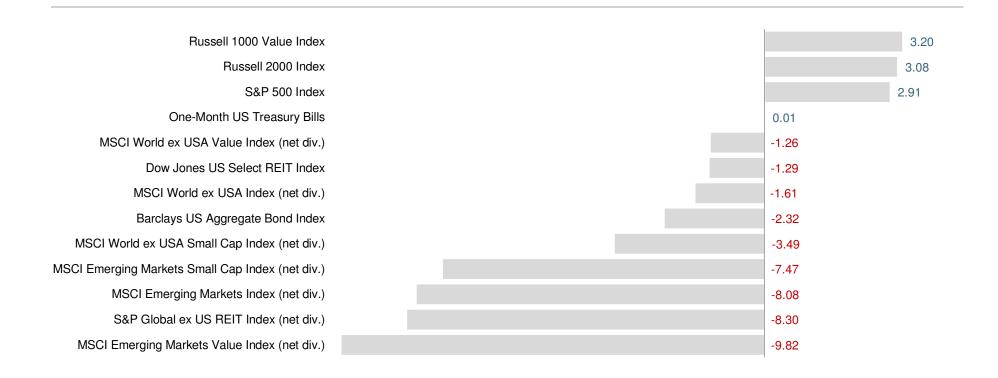


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### World Asset Classes

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The US market led equity returns. Emerging markets strongly underperformed across all asset classes, with negative returns primarily driven by poor performance in May and June.



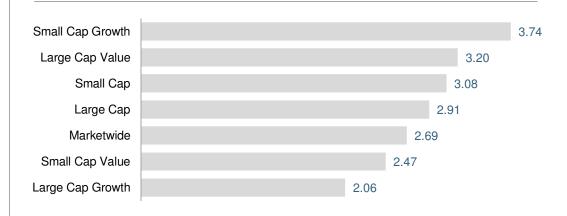
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### US Stocks Second Quarter 2013 Index Returns

All major US asset classes, with the exception of REITs, maintained positive performance in the 2nd quarter, with the broad market returning 2.69%. Asset class returns ranged from 3.74% for small growth stocks to 2.06% for large growth stocks.

Across the size spectrum, returns were mixed. Small growth outperformed large growth, and large value outperformed small value.

#### Ranked Returns for the Quarter (%)



#### World Market Capitalization—US



#### Period Returns (%)

1 Year	3 Years*	5 Years*	10 Years*
21.46	18.63	7.25	7.81
20.60	18.45	7.01	7.30
25.32	18.51	6.67	7.79
17.07	18.68	7.47	7.40
24.21	18.67	8.77	9.53
24.76	17.33	8.59	9.30
23.67	19.97	8.88	9.63
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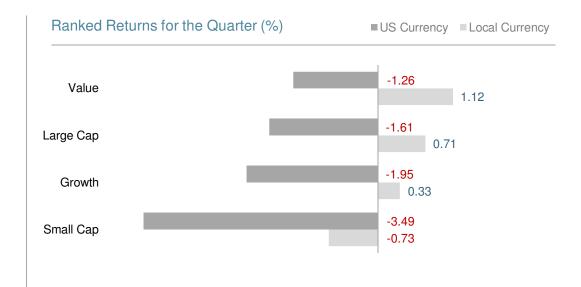
# International Developed Stocks

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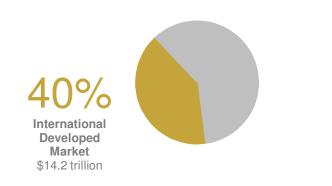
International developed markets posted negative returns for the quarter. The strong size premium present in the first quarter was reversed in the second.

Consistent with the first quarter, the US dollar appreciated relative to most major foreign developed currencies, with the exception of the euro.

Across the size and style spectrum, large beat small and value outperformed growth.



#### World Market Capitalization—International Developed



#### Period Returns (%) \* Annualized Asset Class 1 Year 3 Years\* 5 Years\* 10 Years\* Large Cap 17.07 9.43 -0.84 7.86 Small Cap 17.82 10.80 2.06 10.25 8.92 Value 17.39 -0.61 7.97 Growth 16.73 9.88 -1.107.67

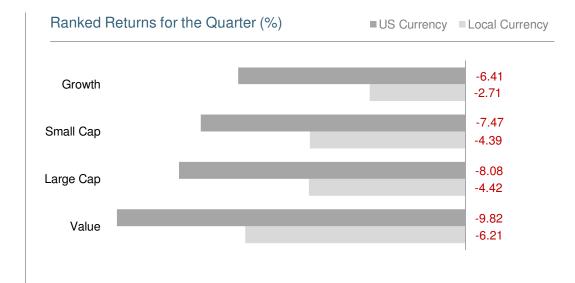
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## **Emerging Markets Stocks**

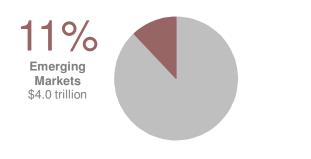
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Emerging markets continued to post negative returns. There was a marginal size premium, with small caps outperforming large caps by 61 basis points. Across the style spectrum, growth outperformed value by 3.41%.

The US dollar appreciated vs. most emerging markets currencies.



#### World Market Capitalization—Emerging Markets



### Period Returns (%)

Asset Class	1 Year	3 Years*	5 Years*	10 Years*
Large Cap	2.87	3.38	-0.43	13.66
Small Cap	9.86	3.72	4.55	14.74
Value	-1.21	1.72	-0.46	14.66
Growth	6.89	5.00	-0.47	12.63

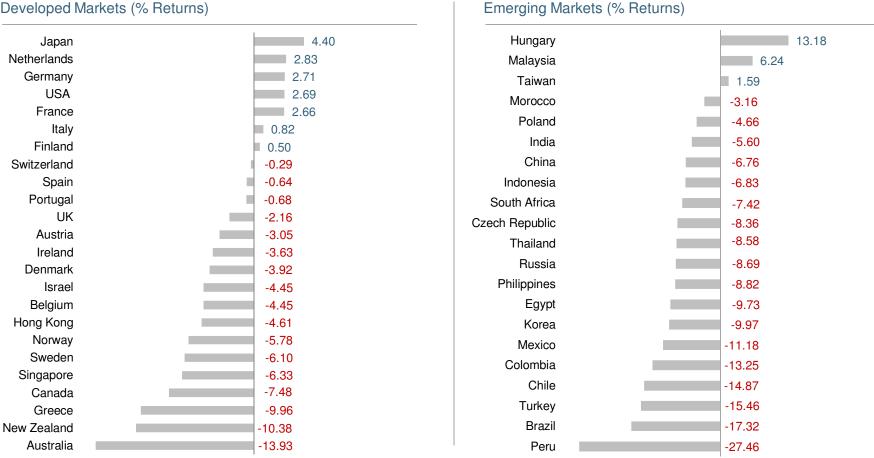
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# Select Country Performance

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The majority of developed and emerging markets countries posted negative returns in the second guarter. Japan continued to outperform most developed market countries. The best-performing emerging markets country was Hungary, which exited its recession in the first guarter.



### **Developed Markets (% Returns)**

Country performance based on respective indices in the MSCI All Country World IMI Index (for developed markets), Russell 3000 Index (for US), and MSCI Emerging Markets IMI Index. All returns in USD and net of withholding tax on dividends. MSCI data copyright MSCI 2013, all rights reserved. Russell data copyright © Russell Investment Group 1995–2013, all rights reserved.

# Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITs)

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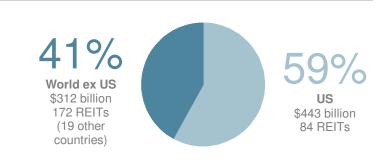
REITs had negative performance during the quarter, with International REITs strongly underperforming US REITs by approximately 7%.

International REITs experienced their first negative quarter for the first time in the last year and a half.

#### Ranked Returns for the Quarter (%)



#### Total Value of REIT Stocks



Period Returns (%)				* Annualized
Asset Class	1 Year	3 Years*	5 Years*	10 Years*
US REITs	7.69	18.08	6.97	10.68
Global REITs (ex US)	14.28	15.47	2.20	7.91

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### **Commodities** Second Quarter 2013 Index Returns

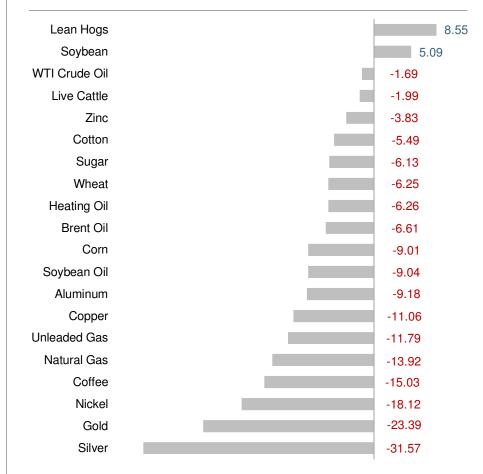
Commodities continued to decline, as the DJ-UBS Commodity Index gave up a further 9.5% during the quarter.

Precious metals bore the brunt of the market decline. Global economic uncertainty abated somewhat, and the perceived safe haven status of gold and silver was less attractive. The ease with which investors could sell these commodities via exchange-traded funds was a focus of investor attention.

Soft commodities, with the exception of lean hogs and soybeans, lost ground, and the energy complex traded down during the quarter as global economic activity appeared to wane.

Period Returns (%) * Annualiz				Annualized	
Asset Class	Q2	1 Year	3 Years*	5 Years*	10 Years*
Commodities	-9.45	-8.01	-0.26	-11.61	2.39

### Individual Commodity (% Returns)



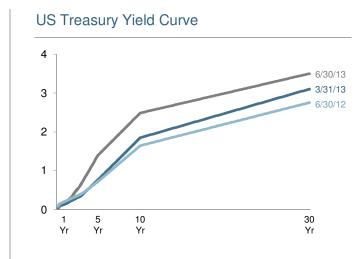
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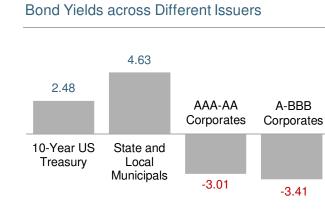
Bond investors suffered during the quarter, as the US Federal Reserve offered indications that the market interpreted as a nearer-thanexpected cessation of quantitative easing. Yields soared in the US, in particular for maturities beyond 3 years. The bellwether 10-year lost significant ground, moving from a yield of 1.85% on March 31, 2013, to 2.49% at quarter end. The majority of the move came in the second half of the quarter.

The absence of meaningful levels of inflation in the US paced negative returns for TIPS investors. Real rates turned positive in longer-dated maturities.

Yield-seeking investors came under pressure as credit spreads widened in the difficult environment.



### Period Returns (%)



### \* Annualized

Asset Class	1 Year	3 Years*	5 Years*	10 Years*
One-Month US Treasury Bills (SBBI)	0.06	0.06	0.19	1.59
Bank of America Merrill Lynch Three-Month T-Bills	0.11	0.11	0.29	1.72
Bank of America Merrill Lynch One-Year US Treasury Note	0.31	0.41	1.06	2.11
Citigroup World Government Bond 1-5 Years (hedged)	1.10	1.53	2.84	3.14
US Long-Term Government Bonds (SBBI)	-8.86	5.74	7.34	5.97
Barclays Capital Corporate High Yield	9.49	10.74	10.94	8.91
Barclays Capital Municipal Bonds	0.24	4.46	5.33	4.42
Barclays Capital US TIPS Index	-4.78	4.63	4.41	5.20

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# **Global Diversification**

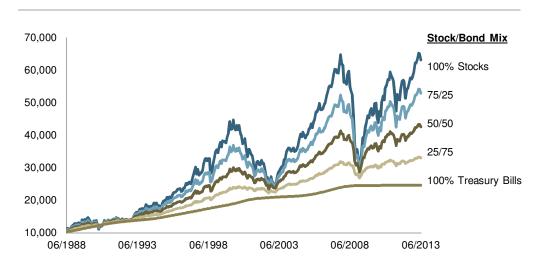
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These portfolios illustrate the performance of different global stock/bond mixes and highlight the benefits of diversification. Mixes with larger allocations to stocks are considered riskier but also have higher expected returns over time.

### Ranked Returns for the Quarter (%)



#### Growth of Wealth: The Relationship between Risk and Return



#### Period Returns (%) \* Annualized Asset Class 1 Year 3 Years\* 5 Years\* 10 Years\* 100% Stocks 8.14 17.21 12.96 2.86 75/25 12.74 9.85 2.63 6.75 50/50 8.38 6.66 2.10 5.19 25/754.16 3.39 1.28 3.47 100% Treasury Bills 0.06 0.06 0.19 1.59

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## The Art of Letting Go

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### In many areas of life, intense activity and constant monitoring of results represent the path to success. In investment, that approach gets turned on its head.

The Chinese philosophy of Taoism has a word for it: "wuwei." It literally means "non-doing." In other words, the busier we are with our long-term investments and the more we tinker, the less likely we are to get good results.

That doesn't mean, by the way, that we should do nothing whatsoever. But it does mean that the culture of "busyness" and chasing returns promoted by much of the financial services industry and media can work against our interests.

Investment is one area where constant activity and a sense of control are not well correlated. Look at the person who is forever monitoring his portfolio, who fitfully watches business TV, or who sits up at night looking for stock tips on social media. Financial science and experience show that our investment efforts are best directed toward areas where we can make a difference and away from things we can't control.

So we can't control movements in the market. We can't control news. We have no say over the headlines that threaten to distract us.

But each of us can control how much risk we take. We can diversify those risks across different assets, companies, sectors, and countries. We do have a say in the fees we pay. We can influence transaction costs. And we can exercise discipline when our emotional impulses threaten to blow us off-course.

These principles are so hard for people to absorb because the perception of investment promoted through financial media is geared around the short term, the recent past, the ephemeral, the narrowly focused and the quick fix.

We are told that if we put in more effort on the external factors, that if we pay closer attention to the day-to-day noise, we will get better results.

What's more, we are programmed to focus on idiosyncratic risks—like glamor stocks—instead

of systematic risks, such as the degree to which our portfolios are tilted toward the broad dimensions of risk and return.

The consequence is that most individual investors earn poor long-term returns.

This is borne out each year in the analysis of investor behavior by research group Dalbar. In 20 years, up to 2012, for instance, Dalbar found the average US mutual fund investor underperformed the S&P 500 by nearly 4 percentage points a year.<sup>1</sup>

This documented difference between simple index returns and what investors receive is often due to individual behavior—in being insufficiently diversified, in chasing returns, in making bad timing decisions, and in trying to "beat" the market.

This type of individual behavior reinforces the ancient Chinese wisdom: "By letting it go, it all gets done. The world is won by those who let it go. But when you try and try, the world is beyond the winning."

Diversification does not protect against loss in declining markets. It is not possible to invest in an index.

1. "Quantitative Analysis of Investor Behavior," Dalbar, 2013.

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