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### Chart of the week

### **VERY ROUND TRIP**

The S&P 500 has recouped all of its plunge since the cycle's first rate hike in March 2022.



Source: Bloomberg, Cheddar Flow



### Best week since the end of March for the S&P 500

US main index continues a rally that began with only a few interruptions in late May. The S&P 500 Index notched its longest stretch of daily gains since November 2021 and its best weekly performance since the end of March. Indeed, several signs emerged that the economy is enjoying a "Goldilocks" expansion of continued growth alongside falling inflation. On Tuesday, US May CPI numbers print was 4.0%, down from the prior month's 4.9% and the slowest pace since March 2021. On Thursday, the Labor Department revealed that producer prices had declined 0.3% in May, marking four declines over the past six months. Investors also received some good news on the consumer side of the economy as retail sales rose 0.3% for the month and 1.6% over the past 12 months, marking the first y-o-y increase since January. This might have helped investors absorb a somewhat hawkish outlook from Fed policymakers. While the Fed kept rates unchanged, the "dot plot" suggested that this was more of a "skip" than a durable "pause" in their rate-hiking schedule, as the median rate projection suggested two more quarter-point hikes by the end of the year. In Europe, the Stoxx 600 advanced by 1.5% while the 10-year German government bond yield climbed above 2.5% after the ECB raised interest rates and signalled more tightening was likely. Japan's Nikkei 225 Index rose 4.5% to their highest levels in over three decades, supported by the BoJ's decision to leave its ultra-loose monetary policy unchanged.



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### #weekly #performance

| INDEX                        | CLOSE   | WEEK | YTD    |
|------------------------------|---------|------|--------|
| Dow Jones Industrial Average | 34,299  | 1.2% | 3.5%   |
| S&P 500 Index                | 4,410   | 2.6% | 14.8%  |
| NASDAQ                       | 13,690  | 3.2% | 30.8%  |
| MSCI EAFE                    | 2,162   | 2.4% | 8.7%   |
| 10-yr Treasury Yield         | 3.76%   | 0.0% | -0.1%  |
| Oil (\$/bbl)                 | \$71.88 | 2.4% | -10.4% |
| Bonds                        | \$98.19 | 0.2% | 2.8%   |

Source: Factset 06/16/2023. Bonds represented by the iShares Core U.S. Aggregate Bond ETF. Past performance does not guarantee future results. \* 4-day performance ending on Thursday.



Source: Edward Jones

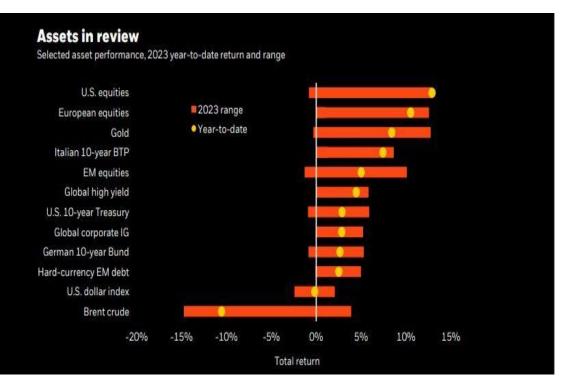
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### **#asset-class #performance**

### Main asset classes performance (YTD and 2023 range).





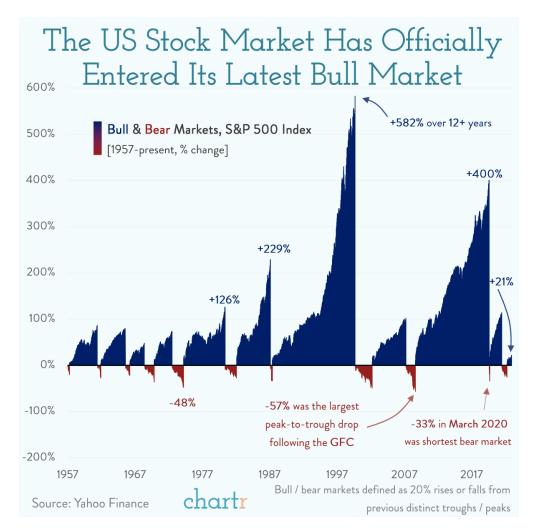
Source: Blackrock

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### **#us #equities #bull-market**

The S&P 500 has surged 21% since its October low, surpassing the 20% that many hold as an unofficial threshold for entering a bull market.





#### Source: chartr

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### #us #equities #sp500 #wall-of-worry

"Markets climb a wall of worry" is an old Wall Street adage. Are we now in the "wall of worry" phase until back to new highs?



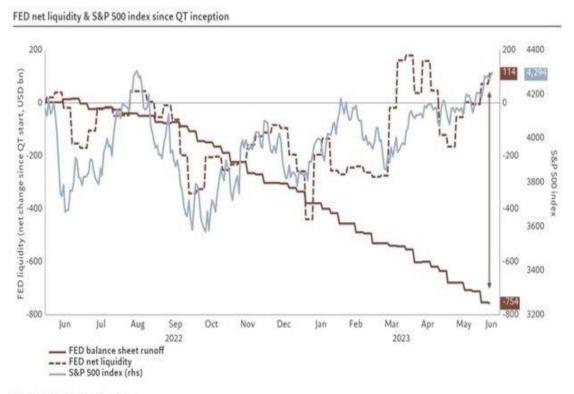
Syr PRIVATE BANKING Source: bespoke

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### #us #equity-market #fed #liquidity-injection

Did a stealth qe propel the equity market higher? While the Fed QT "plan" was a \$750bn runoff, the "end result" is \$100bn of net liquidity injection (stealth QE) instead.



Source: Refinitiv, Pictet Asset Management



Source: Pictet Asset Management, Bloomberg

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### #vix #sp500

# The lowest vix since the pandemic. Translation: what could go wrong?



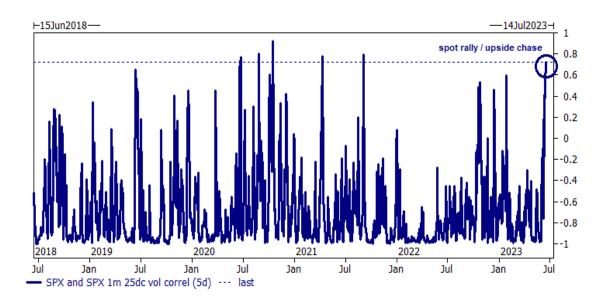
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### #vix #sp500 #correlation

There is an unusual super-positive correlation between stocks and vol, which as Goldman said earlier has "rarely been this positive"...





Source: Goldman Sachs

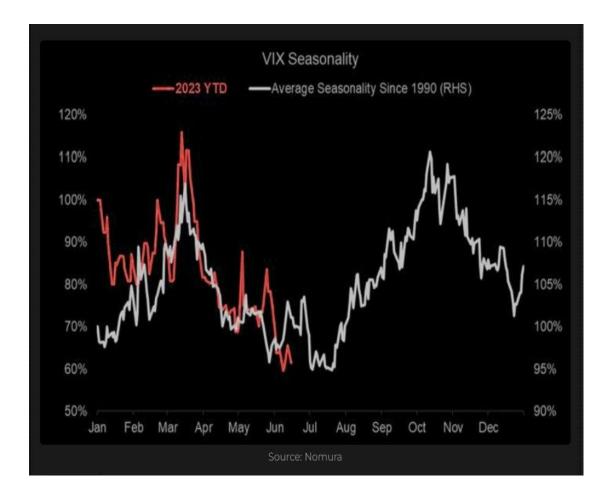
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### #vix #seasonality

Time to go long volatility? Below a great VIX seasonality chart via Nomura's derivatives guru McElligott thru TME.





Source: TME

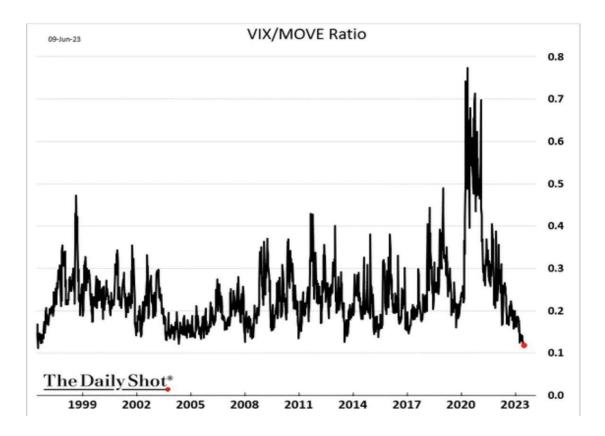
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### **#vix #move**

The VIX/MOVE ratio is at lowest level since 1996 as the vix (US equities implied volatility) now trades below 14 while the MOVE index (us treasuries implied volatility) stays quite high.





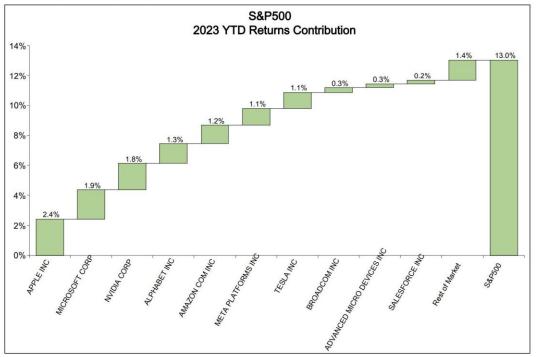
Source: The Daily Shot



### #us #equities #sp500 #returns

To put things into perspective: 10 stocks have contributed 90% of S&P 500's 13.0% gain this year, the most concentrated market ever, Bernstein says. The stocks are AAPL (up 39%), MSFT (+36%), NVDA (+164%), GOOG (+38%), AMZN (+48%), META (+120%), TSLA (+91%), AVGO (+45%), AMD (+87%) & CRM (+58%).

EXHIBIT 2: Top 10 contributors to Returns in 2023 YTD



S&P 500 Universe Source: Factset, CRSP, Bernstein Analysis



Source: HolgerZ, Bernstein

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### #us #equities #returns

2023 Returns



2023 Returns... NVIDIA \$NVDA: +174% Facebook \$META: +128% Tesla \$TSLA: +107% AMD \$AMD: +100% Amazon \$AMZN: +51% Apple \$AAPL: +42% Google \$GOOGL: +41% Microsoft \$MSFT: +40% Nasdaq 100 \$QQQ: +36% S&P 500 \$SPY: +15% S&P 500 Equal Weight \$RSP: +5% Dow \$DIA: +4% Volatility \$VXX: -51%



Source: Charlie Bilello

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### **#us #equities #returns**

Last 12 month us equities performance by sectors.





Source: J-C Parets

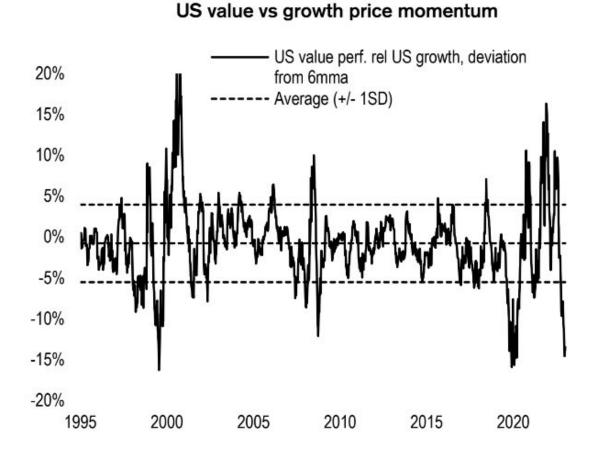
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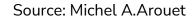
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### **#us #equities #style**

US value momentum is lagging US growth momentum by a margin similar to 2020 and 2000...





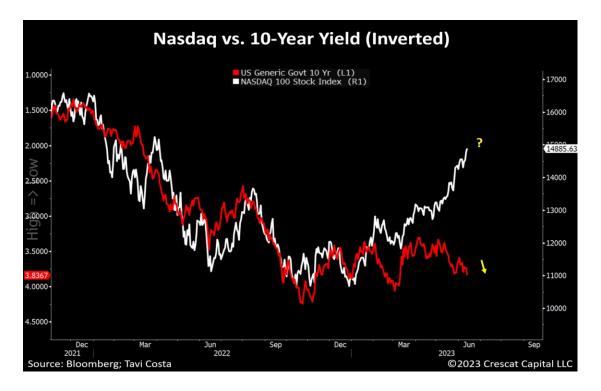


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### #us #equities #nasdaq #10-year-treasuries-yield

\$QQQ vs \$TLT: what an enormous divergence! One of them is lying. Since the market peaked, Nasdaq has been significantly impacted by the increase in interest rates. Despite the continuous this upward movement in 10-vear vields, correlation has been disrupted by the euphoria surrounding AI consequently, the surge in mega-cap companies. and. Ultimately, the present value of long-duration businesses must reflect the ongoing rise in discount rates.



Source: Tavi Costa, Crescat Capital, Bloomberg



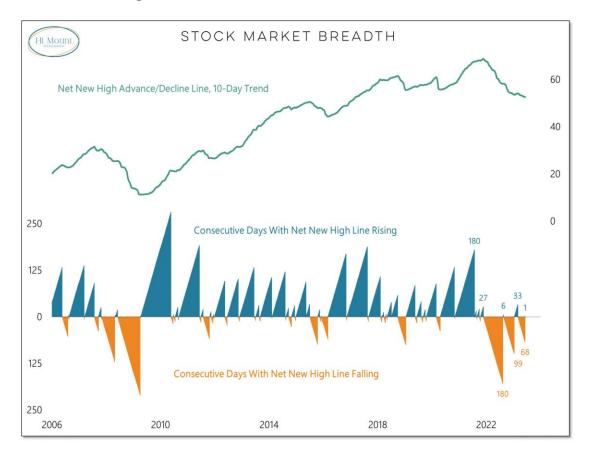
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### **#us #equities #breadth**

Improving breadth for us equities: the trend in net new highs has turned higher for the first time in 3+ months.





Source: Willie Delwiche

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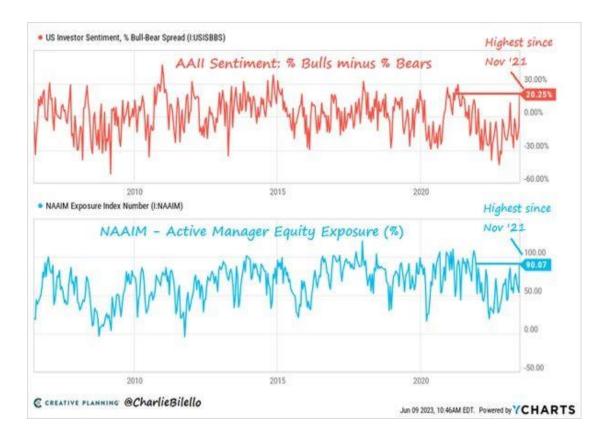


### #us #equities #sentiment #bull #bear

After a 24% S&P 500 rally off the October lows, US equity investors are finally getting bullish again:

-AAII Sentiment Poll: Bulls exceed Bears by 20%, most since Nov 2021.

-NAAIM Active Manager Exposure: 90% net long, highest since Nov 2021.





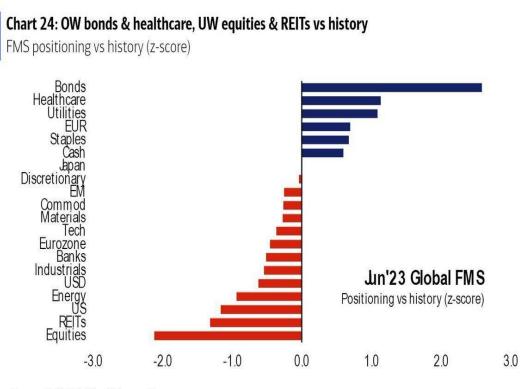
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### **#fund-manager #positioning**

Biggest standout in fund manager positioning (at least according to the BofA survey) is the overweight to bonds and underweight to equities... From a contrarian perspective, this is positive for stocks.



Source: BofA Global Fund Manager Survey.

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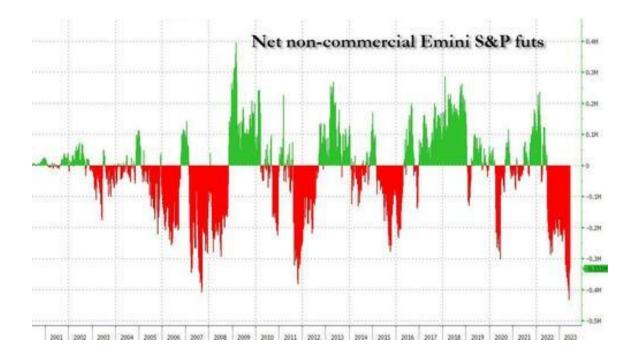
Source: BofA

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### #sp500 #speculators #positioning

Record e-mini S&P future shorts were squeezed for a 2nd week in a row after the net short position hit a record at the end of May.

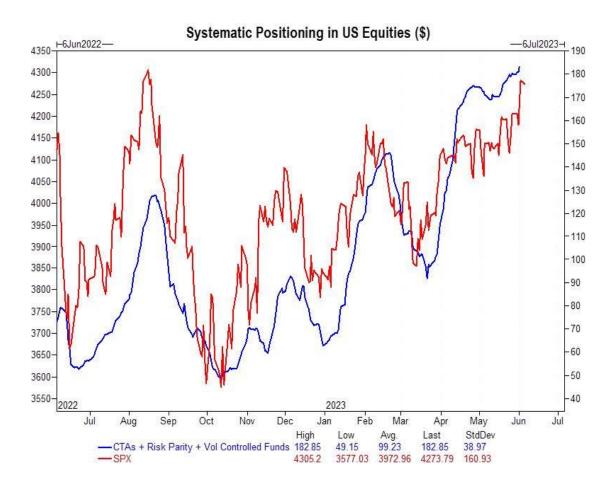


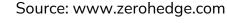


Source: <u>www.zerohedge.com</u>, Bloomberg

### #us #equities #s&p500 #systematic #positioning

Consolidated systematic positioning vs SPX. Systematic funds (CTAs, risk parity, etc.) seem almost fully invested in us equities.







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### #us #equities #sp500 #target

12.06.2023. S&P 500 is now at 4300 and over most Wall Street Estimate. Banks are now rushing to raise their price targets. Goldman Sachs just raised its target to 4500 from 4000.

### Wall Street expects S&P 500 to finish 2023 at 4,000 after missing mark by the widest margin since 2008

Last Updated<mark>: Dec. 27, 2022 at 7</mark>:27 a.m. ET First Published: Dec. 21, 2022 at 7:00 a.m. ET

#### S&P 500 estimates

A recent survey of top Wall Street forecasters by MarketWatch put the average S&P 500 estimate at 4,031 for the end of 2023, an advance of only about 6% from Tuesday's close of 3,821.62. To get to that average (see chart), MarketWatch collected estimates from 18 investment banks and brokers.

| Firm                | Advertisement<br>Strategist | S&P 500 Target |  |
|---------------------|-----------------------------|----------------|--|
| Deutsche Bank       | Binky Chadha                | 4,500          |  |
| Oppenheimer         | John Stoltzfus              | 4,400          |  |
| BMO                 | Brian Belski                | 4,300          |  |
| Scotiabank          | Hugo Ste-Marie              | 4,225          |  |
| Jefferies           | Sean Darby                  | 4,200          |  |
| JPMorgan            | Marko Kolanovic             | 4,200          |  |
| Cantor Fitzgerald   | Eric Johnson                | 4,100          |  |
| RBC Capital Markets | Lori Calvasina              | 4,100          |  |
| Credit Suisse       | Jonathan Golub              | 4,050          |  |
| Bank of America     | Brian Hartnett              | 4,000          |  |
| Goldman Sachs       | David Kostin                | 4,000          |  |
| HSBC                | Max Kettner                 | 4,000          |  |
| Citigroup           | Scott Chronert              | 3,900          |  |
| Morgan Stanley      | Mike Wilson                 | 3,900          |  |
| UBS                 | Keith Parker                | 3,900          |  |
| Barclays            | Venu Krishna                | 3,725          |  |
| Societe Generale    | Manish Kabra                | 3,650          |  |
| BNP Paribas         | Greg Boutle                 | 3,400          |  |
|                     | Average                     | 4,031          |  |
|                     |                             |                |  |



Source: marketwatch, gs

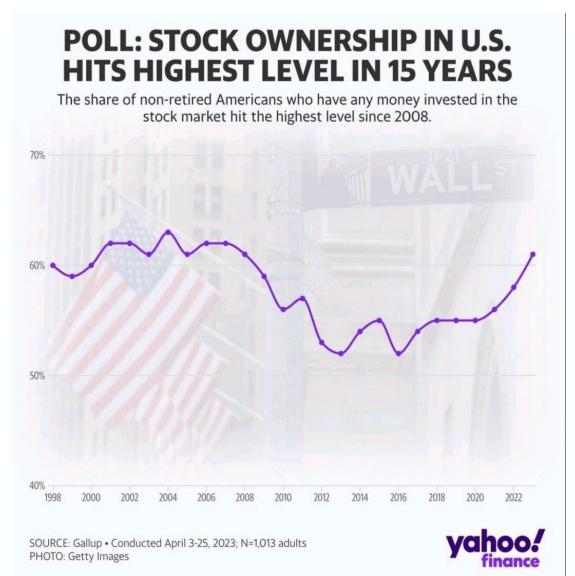
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### #us #stocks #ownership

Stock ownership in the US hits a 15-year high...





Source: Gallup, Yahoo Finance

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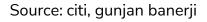


### **#Odte-calls #puts #derivatives-trading**

Trading in Odte calls has outpaced puts for 7 consecutive sessions.

### Odte call volumes continue to outnumber puts:







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### **#us #equities #triple-witching**

Friday's triple-witching was a massive one!

# Options referencing \$4.2tln of equities expire on 16-Jun

Notional open interest of equity index options, ETF options, single stock options, and options on equity index futures expiring 16-Jun-2023





Source: Asym 500

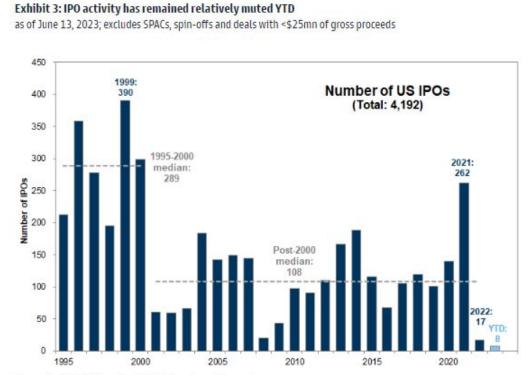
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### #us #ipo

US IPO activity has remained quiet since the beginning of the year.



Source: FactSet, Goldman Sachs Global Investment Research



Source: goldman sachs

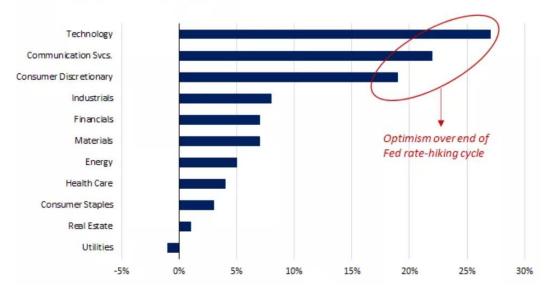
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### **#us #equities #sector #performance**

Recent performance has been driven by growth investments, namely mega-cap technology.



#### Sector Performance: Last 3 Months

Source: Bloomberg. Past performance does not guarantee future results.



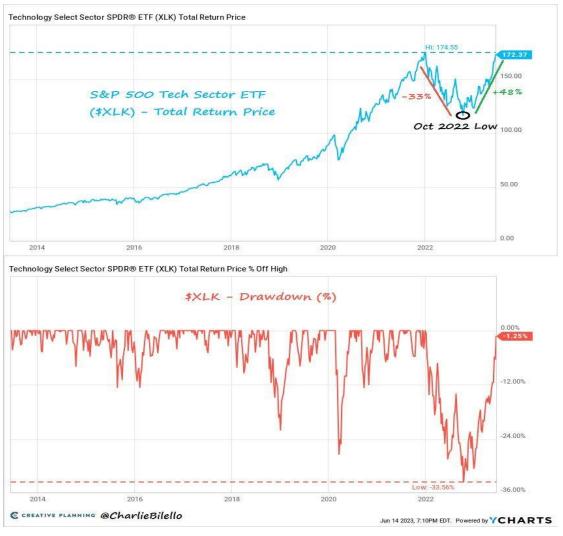
Source: goldman sachs

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### #us #equities #tech #new-all-time-high

15.06.2023. The S&P tech sector ETF has rallied 48% from its October low and is now only 1% away from hitting a new all-time high. \$XLK





Source: Charlie Bilello

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### #us #equities #nasdaq

Nasdaq- leaving the 200 day moving average behind. Nasdaq's squeeze has forced people chasing it and it is now trading 20% above the 200 day moving average. This has occurred on 15 occasions since 1983...





Source: tme

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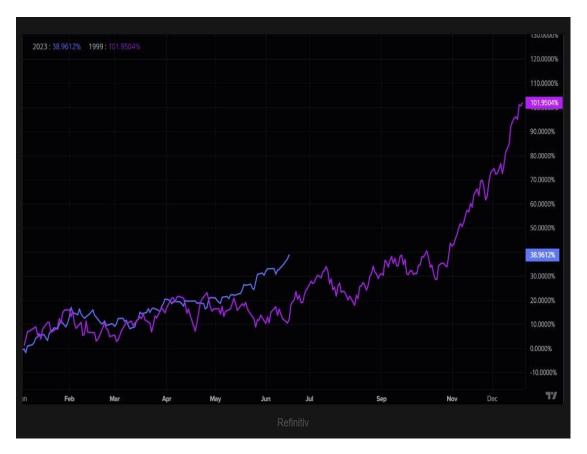


### #us #equities #nasdaq #ai #internet #bubble

Chart below shows Nasdaq 100 now (light blue) vs. Nasdaq 100 in 1999 (purple). Some hints:

1999: liquidity injection ahead of Y2K went into the "Internet" craze

2023: liquidity injection ahead of the debt ceiling has been going into the "AI" craze.





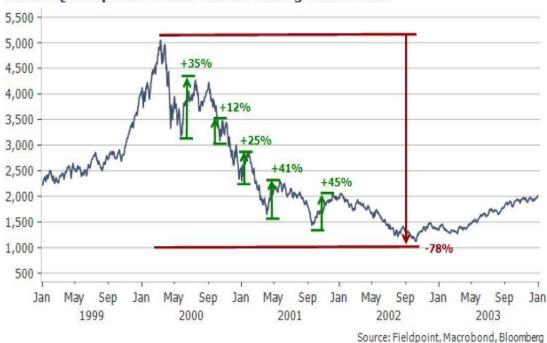
Source: TME; Refinitiv

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### #us #equities #nasdaq #cyclical #bull

CYCLICAL bull markets can take place within SECULAR bear markets - e.g 2000-2002.



### NASDAQ Composite Index: Rallies During 2000's Bear

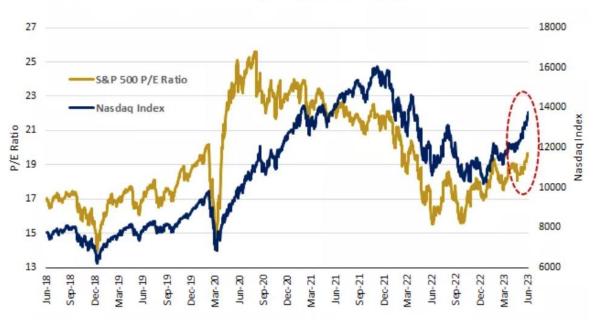


Source: Wifey

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### #us #equities #valuations

Stock market valuations are approaching their highest since the Fed began raising rates.



#### S&P 500 Forward Price-to-Earnings Ratio and Nasdaq Index

Source: Bloomberg, price-to-earnings based on forward twelve month consensus earnings estimates. An index is unmanaged and not available for direct investment. Past performance does not guarantee future results.



Source: Edward Jones

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### #us #equities #sp500 #valuations

Are us equities that expensive? Excluding the 50 biggest stocks, the S&P 500 trades at just 15x, a full standard deviation below its historical average multiple (18x).





Source: TME

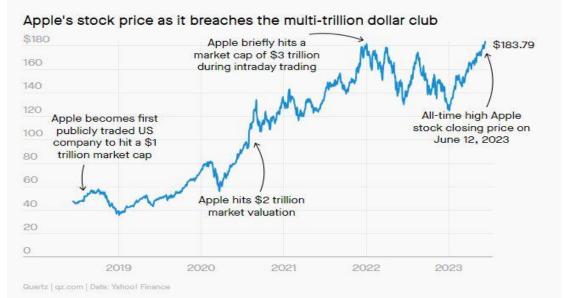
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### #us #equities #tech #apple

Apple is close to becoming the first-ever \$3 trillion company. Apple is closer than ever to becoming the first \$3 trillion company, currently worth \$2.89 trillion. Apple was the first company to breach a \$1 trillion valuation in August 2018, and the first to surpass \$2 trillion two years after that milestone. Other companies like tech giants Microsoft and Alphabet have breached the barrier, and so has oil giant Saudi Aramco from halfway around the world, but Apple still holds the pole position.

# Charted: Apple's climbing further up in the trillion-dollar club





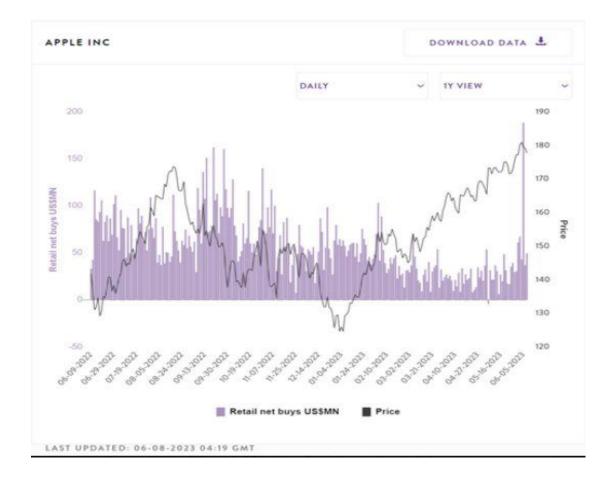
Source: qzcom

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### #us #equities #apple #retail-investors #positioning

Retail bought the most AAPL since Dec 2021 recently - (according to vanda).





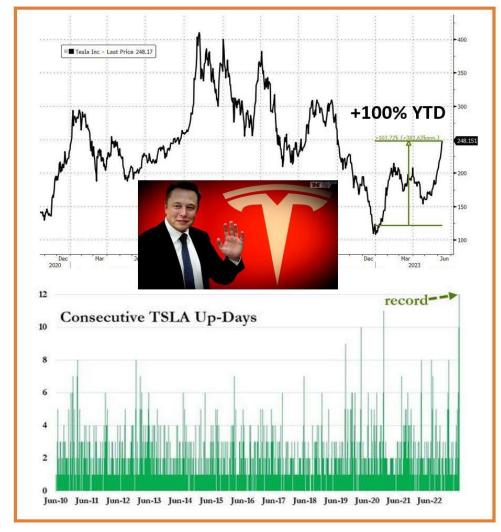
Source: vedanta, markets&mayhem

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### **#us #equities #tesla**

13.06.2023. Tesla's stock price rose for the 12th straight day - the longest winning streak in the company's history...and is now up over 100% YTD...





Source: ZeroHedge

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# **#us #equities #tesla**

**Tesla's Current Price Targets** 

TESLA'S CURRENT PRICE TARGETS \$TSLA

\$300 WEDBUSH

\$247 TESLA'S CURRENT PRICE

\$220 BARCLAYS

\$215 CITI

\$212 RBC

\$200 MORGAN STANLEY

\$200 DEUTSCHE BANK

\$185 GOLDMAN SACHS

\$170 WELLS FARGO

\$115 JP MORGAN

\$24.33 GLJ RESEARCH



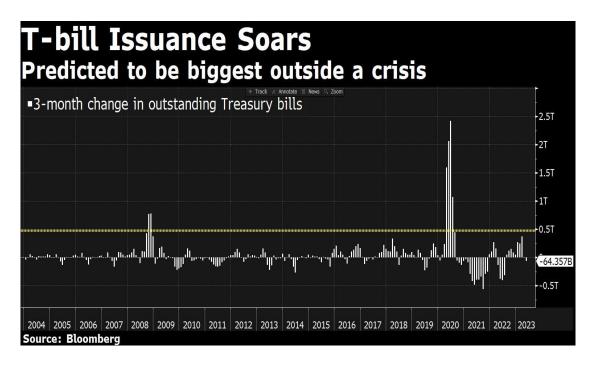
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# #debt-ceiling #t-bill #issuance

With the debt ceiling issue over and the need to replenish the TGA (Treasury General Account), T-bill issuance is expected to soar and should be the biggest outside a crisis.





Source: Bloomberg TV Chart.

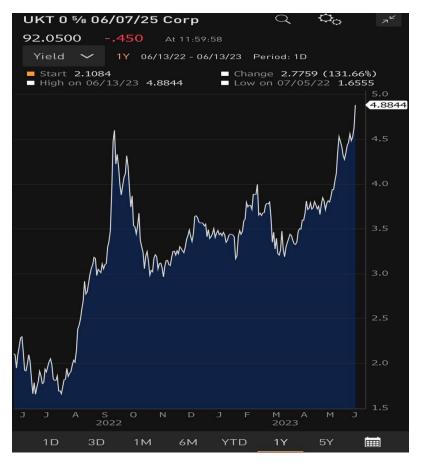
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## **#uk #yields**

More bad news for the UK mortgage market: Spooked by yesterday's inflation-related data, the 2-year UK yield surged higher again as #markets anticipate a more hawkish. The transmission mechanism from such yield moves to household pain is faster and more pervasive than in many other countries due to the structure of the mortgage market in Britain.





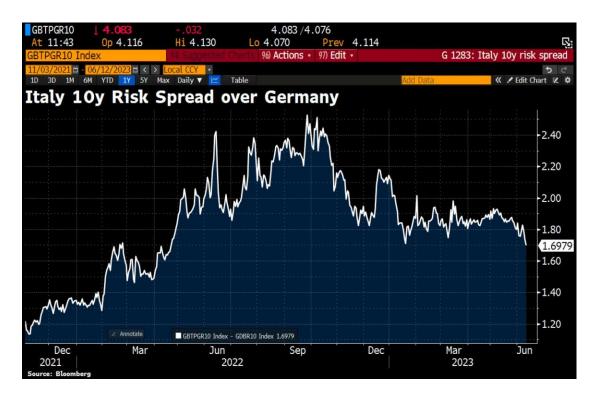
Source: Mohamed El-Erian

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## #italy #germany #risk-spread

Italy's 10y risk spread over Germany drops to 169bps, lowest in 14 months. Investors have been encouraged by Italy's strong growth (vs Germany's stagnation) & Rome's acquiescence of EU budget rules, which contrasts to a prior populist coalition that battled union & roiled markets.





Source: HolgerZ, Bloomberg

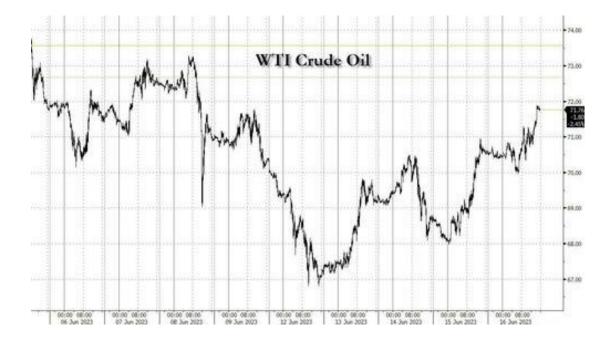
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### #oil

While stocks failed to catch a bid after the recent meltup, other more beaten down sectors finally pushed higher, with WTI pushing back over \$70 after hitting a one-month lower earlier this week.





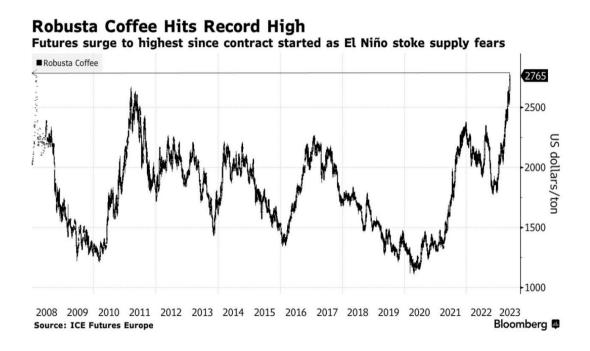
Source: <u>www.zerohedge.com</u>, Bloomberg

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### **#commodities #rosted-coffee**

Robusta Coffee surges to highest level since at least 2008. The US Climate Prediction Center confirmed El Niño's return, and forecasters believe it will be at least a moderate and possibly a strong one. The weather event usually brings hotter and drier conditions to main robusta growing regions including Vietnam and Indonesia threatening crucial supplies.





Source: Bloomberg

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# #commodities #supply-risk

The medium-term "criticality matrix": a great chart by Willem Middelkoop showing the importance of various commodities vs. their supply risk (2025-2035).

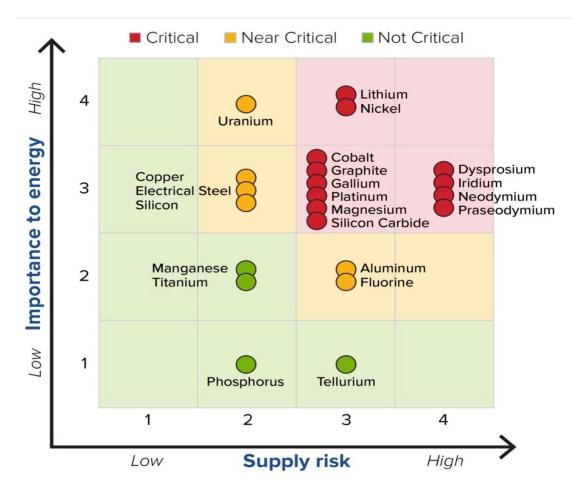


Figure 3.2 Medium-term (2025–2035) criticality matrix



Source: Willem Middelkoop

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### **#us #retail-sales**

After adjusting for inflation, US retail sales fell 3.3% over the last year, the 7th consecutive YoY decline. That's the longest down streak since 2009. Nominal sales increased 0.7% YoY vs. historical average of 4.8%.





Source: Charlie Bilello

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# **#global #inflation**

Global inflation rates: a clear downward trend

| Global Inflation Rates            |               |                 |  |  |  |  |
|-----------------------------------|---------------|-----------------|--|--|--|--|
|                                   | CPI Inflation | Trend vs. Prior |  |  |  |  |
| Country/Region                    | (YoY %)       | Reading         |  |  |  |  |
| CHINA                             | 0.2%          | Higher          |  |  |  |  |
| THAILAND                          | 0.5%          | Lower           |  |  |  |  |
| TAIWAN                            | 2.0%          | Lower           |  |  |  |  |
| SWITZERLAND                       | 2.2%          | Lower           |  |  |  |  |
| RUSSIA                            | 2.5%          | Higher          |  |  |  |  |
| SAUDI ARABIA                      | 2.7%          | Unchanged       |  |  |  |  |
| SPAIN                             | 3.2%          | Lower           |  |  |  |  |
| SOUTH KOREA                       | 3.3%          | Lower           |  |  |  |  |
| JAPAN                             | 3.5%          | Higher          |  |  |  |  |
| BRAZIL                            | 3.9%          | Lower           |  |  |  |  |
| PORTUGAL                          | 4.0%          | Lower           |  |  |  |  |
| INDONESIA                         | 4.0%          | Lower           |  |  |  |  |
| US                                | 4.0%          | Lower           |  |  |  |  |
| INDIA                             | 4.3%          | Lower           |  |  |  |  |
| CANADA                            | 4.4%          | Higher          |  |  |  |  |
| FRANCE                            | 5.1%          | Lower           |  |  |  |  |
| SINGAPORE                         | 5.7%          | Higher          |  |  |  |  |
| MEXICO                            | 5.8%          | Lower           |  |  |  |  |
| NETHERLANDS                       | 6.1%          | Higher          |  |  |  |  |
| EUROZONE                          | 6.1%          | Lower           |  |  |  |  |
| GERMANY                           | 6.1%          | Lower           |  |  |  |  |
| PHILIPPINES                       | 6.1%          | Lower           |  |  |  |  |
| IRELAND                           | 6.6%          | Lower           |  |  |  |  |
| NEW ZEALAND                       | 6.7%          | Lower           |  |  |  |  |
| SOUTH AFRICA                      | 6.8%          | Lower           |  |  |  |  |
| AUSTRALIA                         | 6.8%          | Higher          |  |  |  |  |
| ITALY                             | 7.6%          | Lower           |  |  |  |  |
| FINLAND                           | 7.9%          | Unchanged       |  |  |  |  |
| UK                                | 8.7%          | Lower           |  |  |  |  |
| SWEDEN                            | 10.5%         | Lower           |  |  |  |  |
| POLAND                            | 13.0%         | Lower           |  |  |  |  |
| TURKEY                            | 39.6%         | Lower           |  |  |  |  |
| ARGENTINA                         | 109%          | Higher          |  |  |  |  |
| VENEZUELA                         | 458%          | Lower           |  |  |  |  |
| CREATIVE PLANNING @CharlieBilello |               |                 |  |  |  |  |



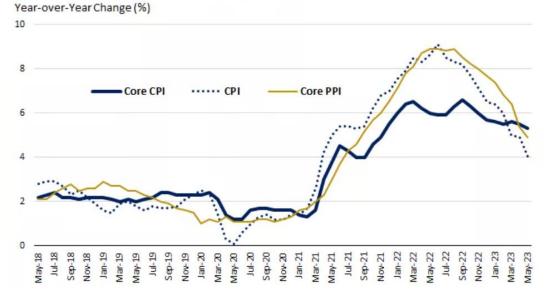
Source: Charlie Bilello

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# #cpi #us #inflation

The release of the May consumer price index (CPI) confirmed that inflation remains on a downward trend. Headline CPI is at a more than two-year low (4%), helped by falling energy prices and less upward pressure from food prices (egg prices are down 14% from a year ago)1. More importantly, core CPI, which strips out volatile food and energy prices and serves as the guide for monetary policy, continues to moderate. Core inflation fell to its lowest since November 2021, helped by declines in core services, such as airfare and recreation.



### **Consumer Price Index and Producer Price Index**

Source: Bloomberg. Core inflation excludes food and energy prices.



Source: Edward Jones

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# #cpi #us #inflation

Here's the inflation breakdown for May 2023, in one chart The us consumer price index rose at a 4% annual pace in May, the lowest reading in over two years, the U.S.

Here's the inflation breakdown for May 2023 - in one chart

These are some of the core categories, plus other items with notable year-over-year price changes.

| Motor vehicle repair                        |        | 19.7% |
|---|--------|-------|
| Motor vehicle insurance                     |        | 17.1% |
| Food from vending machines + mobile vendors |        | 15.3% |
| Pet food                                    |        | 13.8% |
| Frozen fruits + vegetables                  |        | 12.9% |
| Household paper products                    |        | 12.4% |
| Fats + oils                                 |        | 11.8% |
| Medical equipment/supplies                  |        | 10.3% |
| Outdoor equipment/supplies                  |        | 10.2% |
| Baby food + formula                         |        | 10.1% |
| Rent of primary residence                   |        | 8.7%  |
| Food away from home                         |        | 8.3%  |
| Ice cream<br>+ Related products             |        | 8%    |
| Food  |        | 6.7%  |
| Day care + preschool                        |        | 6.4%  |
| Electricity                                 |        | 5.9%  |
| Food at home                                |        | 5.8%  |
| All items less food + energy                |        | 5.3%  |
| New vehicles                                |        | 4.7%  |
| All items                                   |        | 4%    |
| Fresh whole milk                            |        | -3.4% |
| Used cars + trucks                          |        | -4.2% |
| Citrus fruits                               |        | -5.3% |
| Major appliances                            | -10%   |       |
| Televisions                                 | -11.5% |       |
| Energy                                      | -11.7% |       |
| Car + truck rental                          | -12.4% |       |
| Airline fares                               | -13.4% |       |
| Unleaded regular<br>Gasoline                | -20.3% |       |
| Health insurance                            | -20.5% |       |

Note: Items in bold represent major consumer price index categories.

Table: Gabriel Cortes / CNBC Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics' consumer price index Data as of June 13, 2023



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Source: CNBC

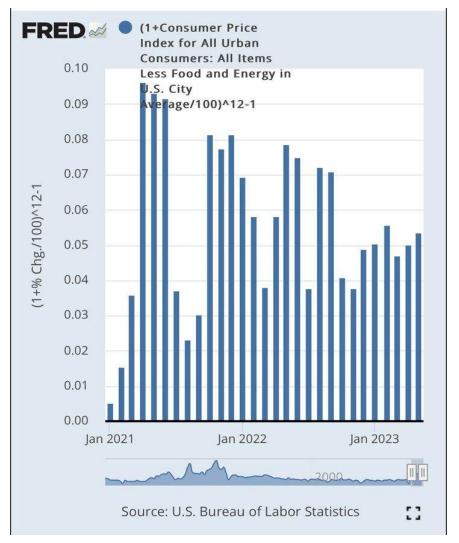
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### **#inflation #fed**

Cut through the noise. Core inflation has been stable at 5% annualized over the last 6 months. That is far too high given the Fed's mandate.





Source: FRED, Bob Elliott

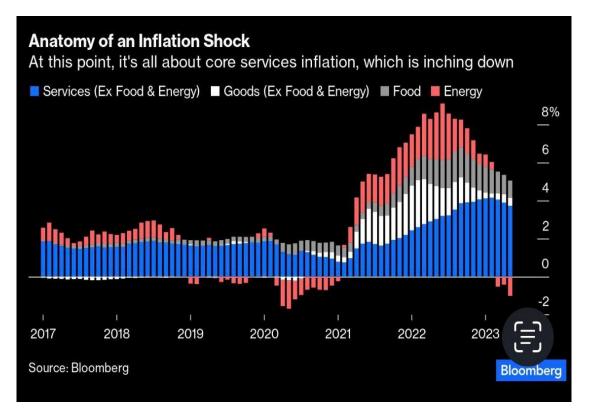
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### #us #inflation-shock

ANATOMY OF AN INFLATION SHOCK. This chart, from John Authers, illustrates well the migration of inflationary pressures from a few items - and then the goods sector as a whole - to services. It is why history has taught Central Banks not to fall behind in combatting inflation. Once they do, as has happened to the Fed, inflation gets more embedded, is less interest rate sensitive, and takes longer to fall back to low levels.





Source: Mohamed El-Erian, Bloomberg

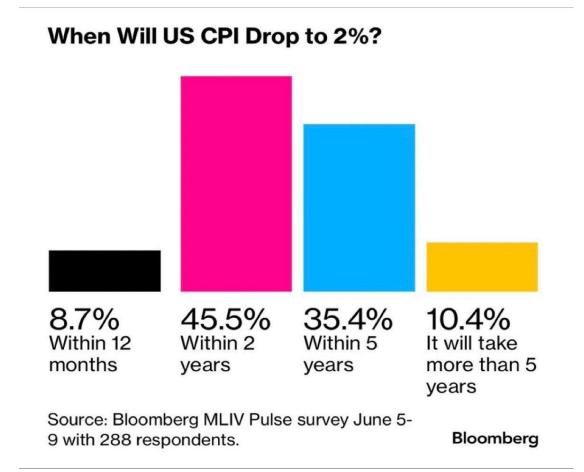
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### #cpi #us #fed

All eyes will be on us cpi number today. Most analysts expect number to come out between 4% and 4.3%. Here's the market view with regards to the time needed for CPI to fall back to fed target (2%).





Source: Bloomberg

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# #germany #falling-prices #ecb

Could this number somewhat cool down the ECB hawkish tone? German wholesale prices simply falling. Not only energy but also prices for agriculture raw materials and live animals. "It is just the beginning of the end of inflation i.e. consumer price inflation," Ruland Research says.



Source: HolgerZ, Bloomberg



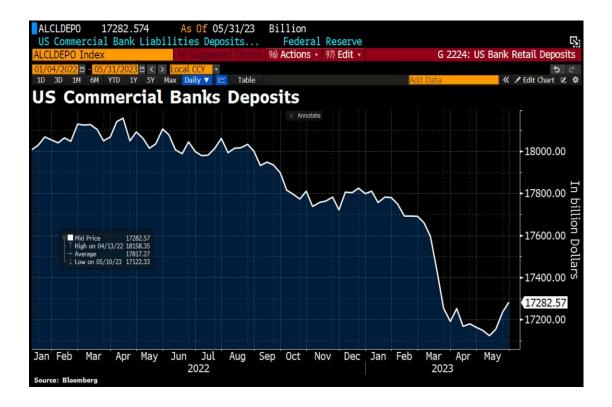
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## **#us #banking-crisis #deposits**

Is the slow-motion bank run over? US bank deposits rose for a 3rd week by \$46.6bn.

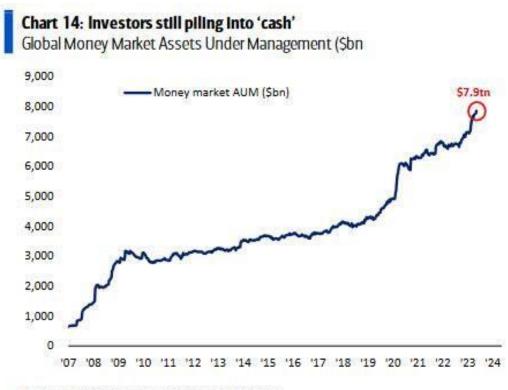




Source: HolgerZ, Bloomberg

# #us #banking-crisis #money-markets-funds

Investors love 5% cash yields...Last week saw another big inflow (\$70.6bn) into money markets funds...Inflows YTD stand at a huge \$837bn, almost as large as a record \$917bn in 2020.



Source: BofA Global Investment Strategy, Bloomberg

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Source: BofA

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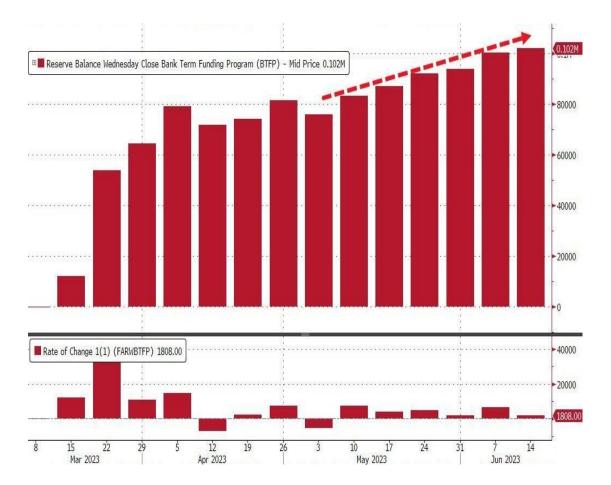
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### #us #banking-crisis #fed #emergency-funding #bftp

Fed Emergency Bank Bailout Facility Usage Hits New Record High. The Fed's emergency Bank Term Funding Program (BTFP) rose once again to a new record at \$102 billion (up \$1.8 billion from last week)..



Source: www.zerohedge.com, Bloomberg



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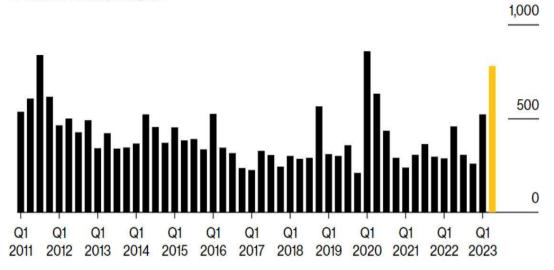
# **#us #banking-crisis #insiders**

Unlike in Tech... us banks Insiders are buying

### More Bank Insiders Are Buying Shares

A total of 778 insiders purchased stock in the second quarter

Number of unique buyers



Source: VerityData Note: Data for 2Q 2023 are through May 26



Source: Disruptor, VerityData, Bloomberg

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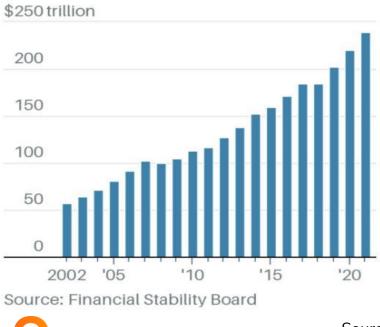
## #non-financial-system #financial-assets

The nonbank financial system now controls \$239trnn, or almost half of the world's financial assets, acc. to the Financial Stability Board. That's up from 42% in 2008, and has doubled since the 2008-09 GFC.

# **Explosive Growth**

Assets controlled by nonbank financial intermediaries have more than doubled since the global financial crisis, fueled by restrictions on banks and the availability of cheap financing.

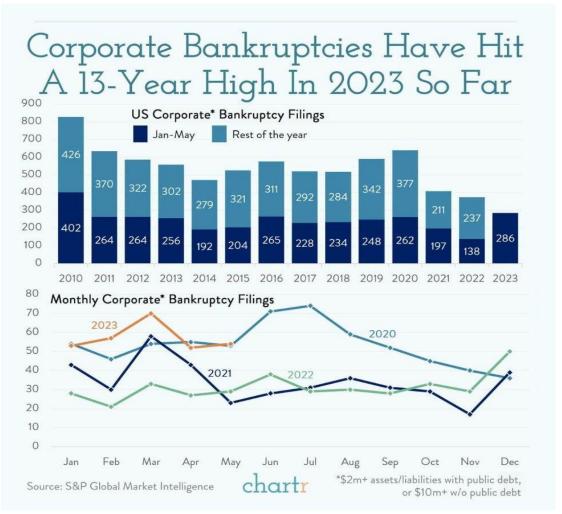
### Assets controlled by NBFIs



Source: barronsonline, acemaxx

## **#us #corporate-bankruptcies**

286 us companies filed for bankruptcy in the US during the first 5 months of 2023, according to data released earlier this week by S&P Global Market Intelligence, the highest figure for the period through May since 2010.





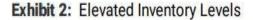
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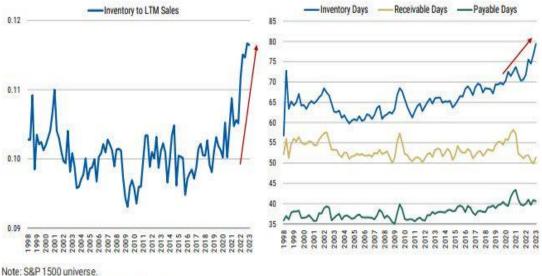
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# **#us #companies #inventory-level**

"Companies are sitting on  $\sim$  \$200 billion of excess inventory" - MS





Note: S&P 1500 universe. Source: FactSet and Morgan Stanley Research.



Source: Morgan Stanley

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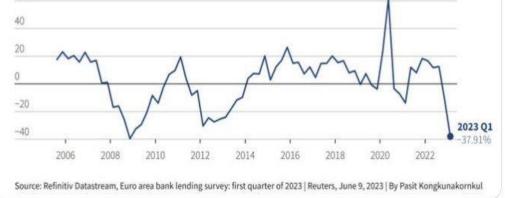
# #europe #corporate-financing

More troubles ahead for European growth?



As 75% of corporate financing in the Eurozone come from bank loans (vs. only 20% in the US) it's just a matter of time till this finds its way thru the system But keep hiking Christine. (Reuters)







Source: Michael A.Arouet

# #global #real-estate #average-apartment-price

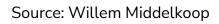
Average Apartments price / m2 in selected cities - Dubai looks cheap...

# Average Apartment Price/m<sup>2</sup>

Apartments in City Centers, prices in US Dollars

| 🛠 Hong Kong     | \$30,351 | + Vancouver | \$10,284 | Doha               | \$4,727 |
|-----------------|----------|-------------|----------|--------------------|---------|
| + Zurich        | \$24,021 | Milan       | \$9,620  | Brussels           | \$4,097 |
| 💓 Seoul         | \$20,851 | LA          | \$9,245  | C Dubai            | \$3,846 |
|                 | \$20,032 | - Prague    | \$8,800  | Belgrade           | \$3,673 |
| 🕒 Geneva        | \$19,122 | Auckland    | \$8,650  | Mexico City        | \$3,072 |
| 😪 Shanghai      | \$17,798 | to Slo      | \$8,304  | - Jakarta          | \$2,849 |
| Shenzhen        | \$17,219 | Tokyo       | \$8,258  | 📀 Istanbul         | \$2,678 |
| Beijing         | \$16,787 | Amsterdam   | \$8,137  | 📀 São Paulo        | \$2,635 |
| London          | \$16,079 | Vienna      | \$7,995  | Buenos Aires       | \$2,506 |
| 🗢 Tel Aviv-Yafo | \$15,704 | Copenhagen  | \$7,993  | o Delhi            | \$2,497 |
| New York        | \$15,349 | +- Helsinki | \$7,487  | - Kyiv             | \$2,304 |
| Sydney          | \$15,235 | Dublin      | \$7,436  | New York Cape Town | \$1,924 |
| San Jose        | \$14,908 | Moscow      | \$7,026  | Tbilisi            | \$1,900 |
| Taipei          | \$13,987 | 💿 Mumbai    | \$6,013  | 👜 Riyadh           | \$1,737 |
| Paris           | \$13,233 | Lisbon      | \$5,953  | Lagos              | \$890   |
| Munich          | \$12,884 | 💼 Barcelona | \$5,407  | 🛜 Caracas          | \$732   |
| San Francisco   | \$11,691 | Warsaw      | \$4,889  | C Lahore           | \$532   |
| Stockholm       | \$10,438 | 🍅 Ljubljana | \$4,887  | 💼 Cairo            | \$498   |
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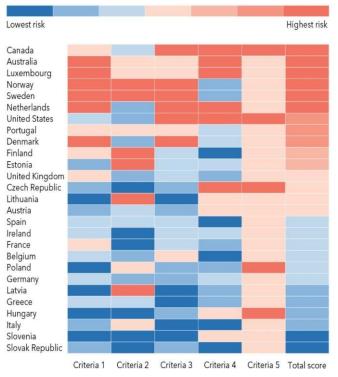
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# #global #real-estate #risk-indicator

# Housing Market Risk Indicators

Economies with high household debt and more floating-rate loans have greater exposure to higher mortgage payments, and a heightened risk of defaults.





Source: IMF

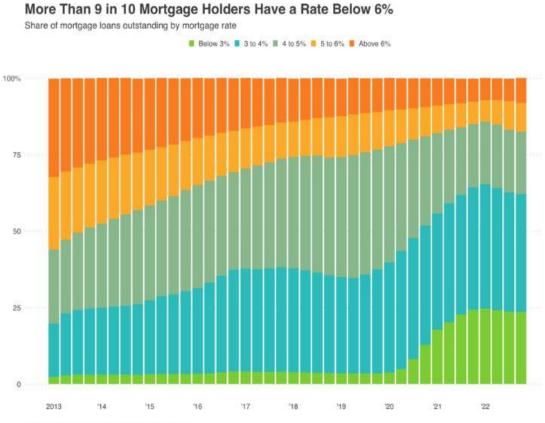
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### **#us #housing**

The main reason behind the us housing shortage: 62% of US mortgage holders have a rate below 4% and 92% have a rate below 6%. With current mortgage rates at close to 7%, many existing homeowners are staying put, leading to a shortage of homes for sale.



Source: FHFA, National Mortgage Database (NMDB)

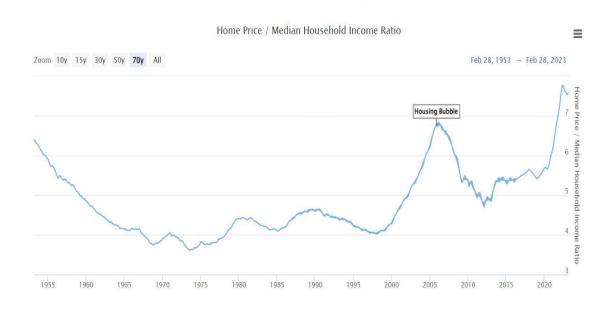


Source: Charlie Bilello

# **#us #housing #prices #income**

Home Price to Median Household Income Ratio (US)

In the us, the ratio of home price to median income is higher than it was during the Housing Bubble.





Source: Genevieve Roch-Decter.

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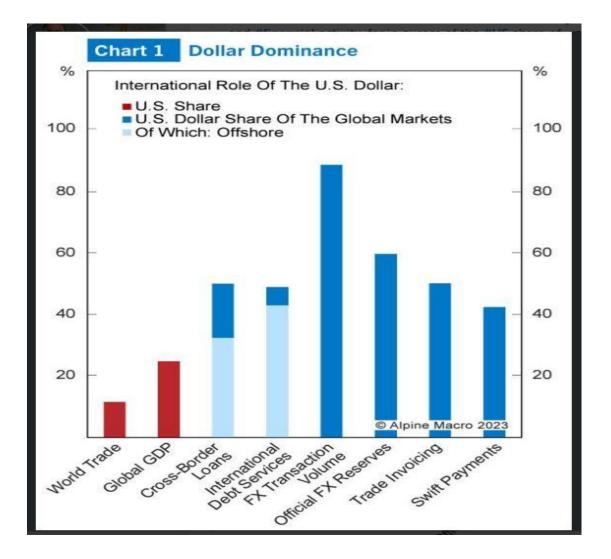
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# **#us #dollar #dominance**

The international role of the US dollar. Will the dollar fall from grace?



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Source: Alpine Macro

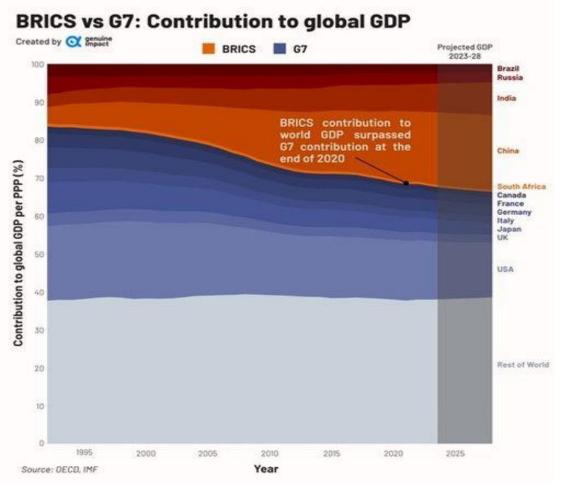
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### #gdp #brics #g7

In 2020, BRICS contribution to world GDP surpassed G7 contribution. The story of BRICS overtaking the G7 is not just about numbers and economic output. It's about a shift in the global narrative, about the emergence of new voices and new perspectives.





Source: Genuine Impact

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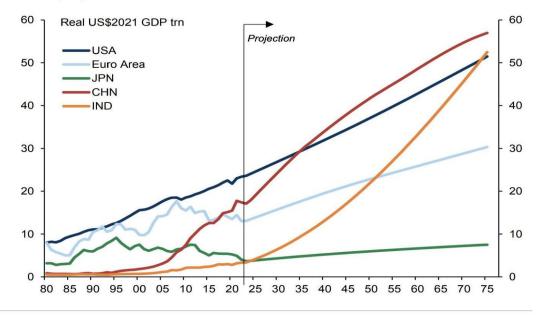
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### #gdp #china #us #india

Goldman Sachs expects China to overtake the US not in this decade but around 2035, while India should catch up by 2075.

GDP level projections in Real (2021) US\$ trillion



Source: Goldman Sachs Global Investment Research



Source: HolgerZ

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# #geopolitics

## **#france #africa**

Signs of time... French President Emmanuel Macron has asked South African President Cyril Ramaphosa for an invitation to the upcoming BRICS summit in Pretoria, French newspaper L'Opinion reported on Monday. Macron's recent attempts to win over his African counterparts have fallen flat.





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### **#**geopolitics

# #china #nvidia #potential-ban

Are chinese companies front-running demand for Nvidia GPUs as they rushed to secure supply ahead of possible ban? As spotted in a tweet by Cathy Yuan Zhang, Chinese internet firms said to have placed large orders for Nvidia GPUs, with ByteDance's order exceeding \$1bn. A possible ban was announced in September 22. This proved to be the bottom of NVDIA...



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### **#us #fed #interest-rates**

Fed opts not to raise interest rates after more than a year of increases as widely expected, BUT signals the break may be temporary. Fed's new '23 dot implies two more 25bp hikes this year. Fed's Powell says the process of getting back to the 2% target "has a long way to go." Powell added that longer-term inflation expectations appear "well anchored."





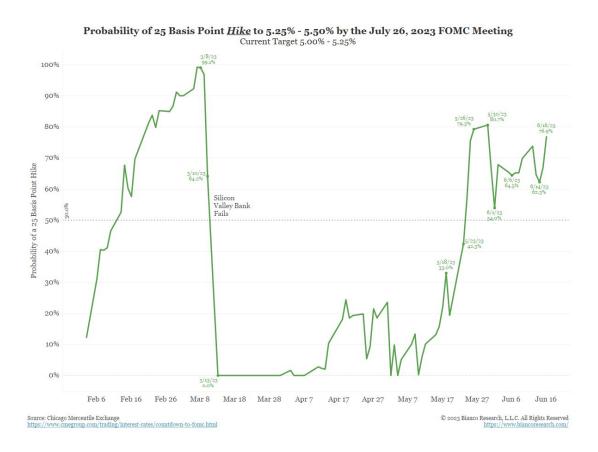
Source: Bloomberg, HolgerZ

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# #fed #rate #expectations

Stock investors are saying the Fed is done, to help explain the rally. The problem is that is not what bond investors are pricing. Remember, the calls for the Fed to pause, pivot, step down, skip, stop, and/or cut have been continuous the last 18 months, and continuously wrong the last 18 months. So why will these same calls now work?





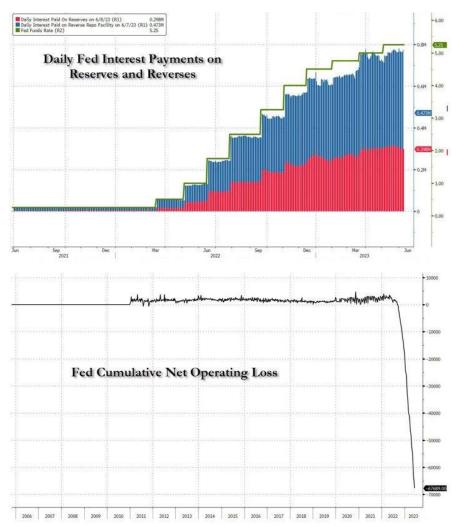
Source: Bianco Research

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# **#fed #interest-payment**

Every day the Fed is paying \$800 million in interest to banks and money market funds. This means that the Fed's net operating loss is now a record \$68 billion.





Source: www.zerohedge.com

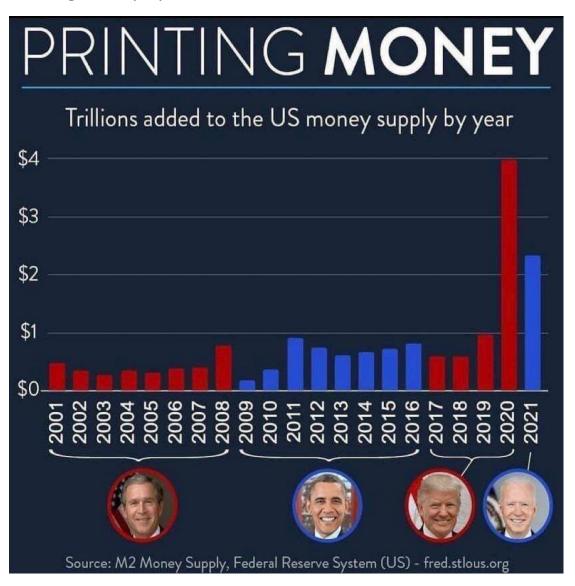
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# #us #money-supply

Printing money by administration & US President





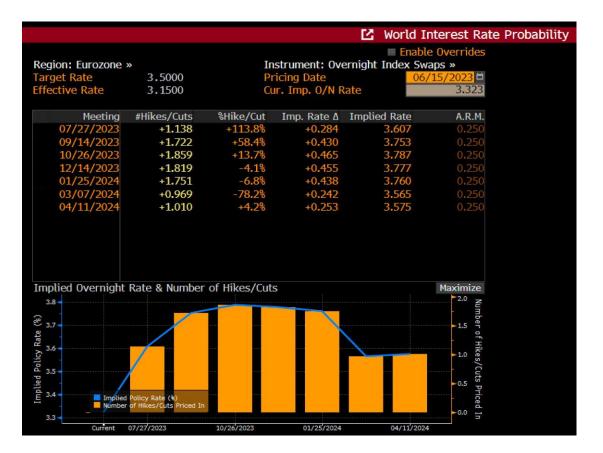
Source: WallStreet Silver, fred.stlous.org

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### #ecb #interest-rate-hike

ECB: A HAWKISH HIKE. 15.06.2023. ECB lifted interest rate on the main refinancing operations to 4% from 3.75%, as expected. This is the 8th hike in a row and the rate is now at the highest level since 2001.





Source: Bloomberg

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### #japan #monetary-policy #interest-rate

Japan's central bank maintained its ultra-loose monetary policy on Friday, electing to support fragile economic growth at a time of swirling global uncertainty.

The Bank of Japan held its short-term interest rate target at -0.1%. The Japanese yen declined after the decision, falling by as much as 0.3% to around 140.70 per U.S. dollar before paring losses. The Nikkei 225 similarly reversed earlier losses to creep higher.





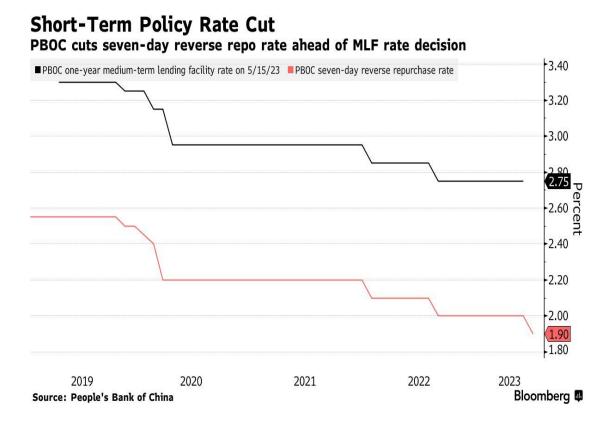
Source: CNBC

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### #china #short-term-policy-rate

China cuts short-term policy rate as recovery weakens. China is considering a broad package of stimulus measures as pressure builds on Xi Jinping's government to boost the world's second-largest economy.





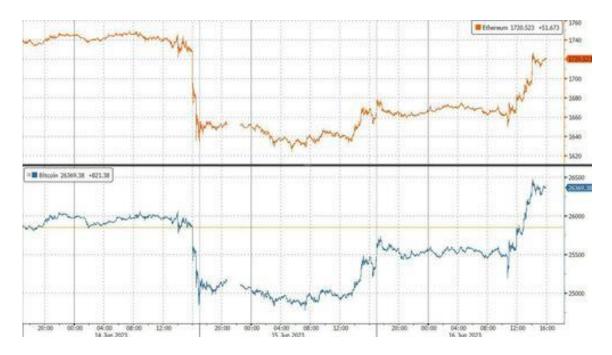
Source: Bloomberg

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### #bitcoin #ethereum #weekly

Bitcoin finally caught a bid on Friday, one day after news hit that the world's largest asset manager, Blackrock, had filed for a spot bitcoin ETF, a move which sets up for an interesting confrontation between the most important man on Wall Street and the most useless Liz Warren henchman at the SEC, Gary Gensler.





Source: <u>www.zerohedge.com</u>, Bloomberg

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### #bitcoin-etf #blackrock

BlackRock's iShares Files Paperwork for Spot Bitcoin ETF The iShares unit of fund management giant BlackRock filed paperwork Thursday afternoon with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) for the formation of a spot bitcoin (BTC) ETF. To be named the iShares Bitcoin Trust, the fund's assets are to "consist primarily of bitcoin held by a custodian on behalf of the Trust," according to the filing. That custodian will by crypto exchange Coinbase said the filing.

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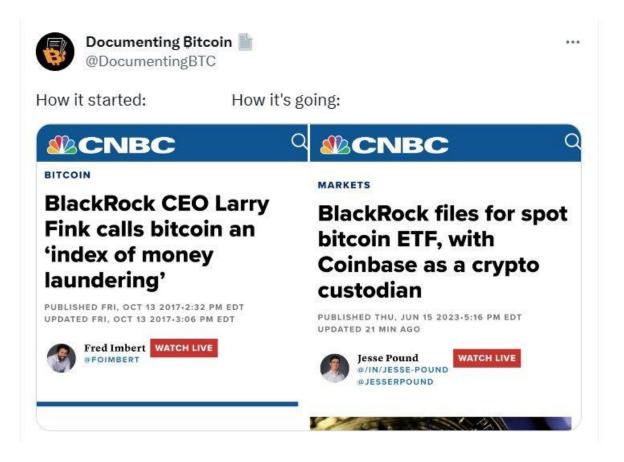
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### #bitcoin #blackrock





Source: xxx

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### #bitcoin #market-cap #dominance

Bitcoin market cap dominance continues to grow as altcoins come under pressure with recent SEC suits..

\$BTC looks poised to reach 50% of the total crypto market cap again for the first time in over two years.





Source: Steven Strazza

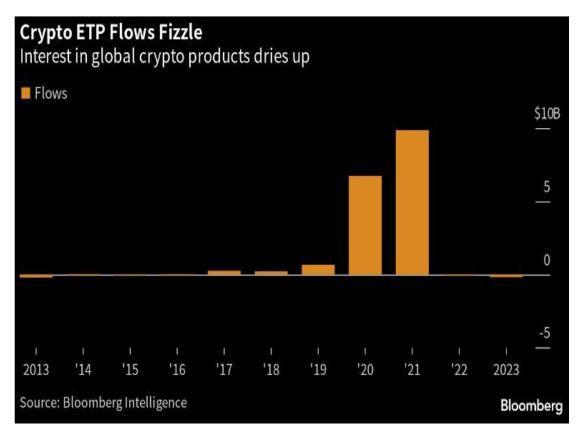
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### #etp #crypto-outflow

Crypto ETP Flows Fizzle. Nearly \$172 million exited from global exchange-traded products in the first six months of 2023 amid an industry wide rally, following outflows of just \$37 million in 2022. That compares to record cash inflows of nearly \$10 billion in 2021 and \$6.7 billion in 2020, Bloomberg data show.



Source: bloomberg



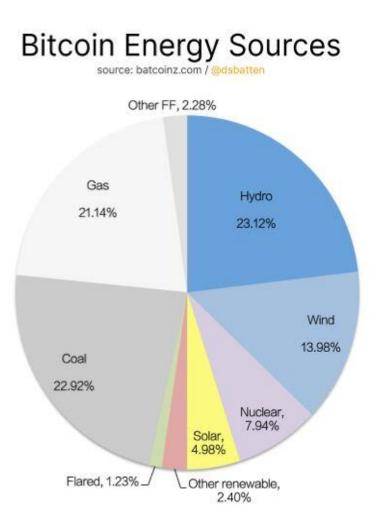
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### #bitcoin #energy-sources

Bitcoin has become the only global industry NOT powered predominantly by coal.





Source: Batcoinz.com

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### #adidas #nft #web3 #fashion

Adidas Reveals Sneaker Collab With NFT Artist Fewocious. Global apparel giant Adidas has teamed up with prominent digital artist Fewocious on a physical sneaker collaboration, with the kicks to be sold via an NFT redemption pass.





Source: decrypt

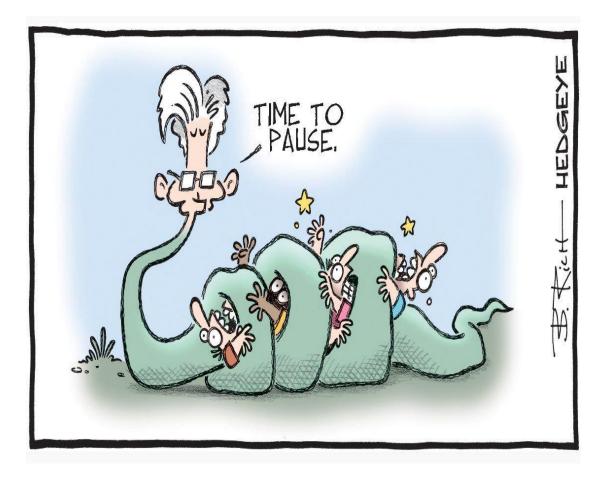
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### #fed #humour

#### Hedgeye Cartoon of the Day: Jay Constrictor





Source: Jay Constrictor

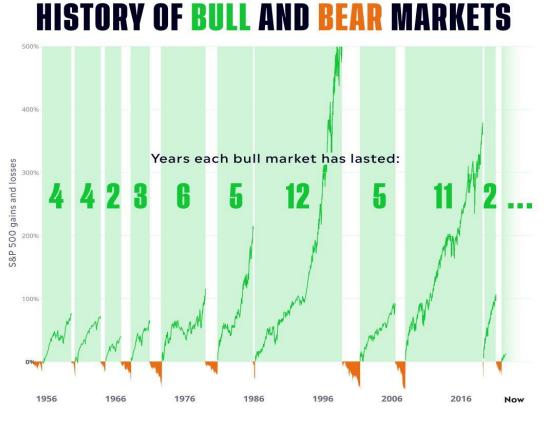
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### #markets #bull #bear

#### History of bull and bear markets



\*Bull markets are defined as a 20% rise from a 52-week low in the S&P 500 \*Bear markets are defined as a 20% fall from a 52-week high in the S&P 500



Source: etoro, Bloomberg

Source: eToro, Bloomberg

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### **#financial-magazine #cover-pages**

Financial magazine cover page can sometimes be used as contrarian indicators - e.g Barron's.

The cover page on the left came over a year after the bear market started. The bear market ended a couple weeks later. The one on the right came almost a year after the bull market started. How should it be interpreted?





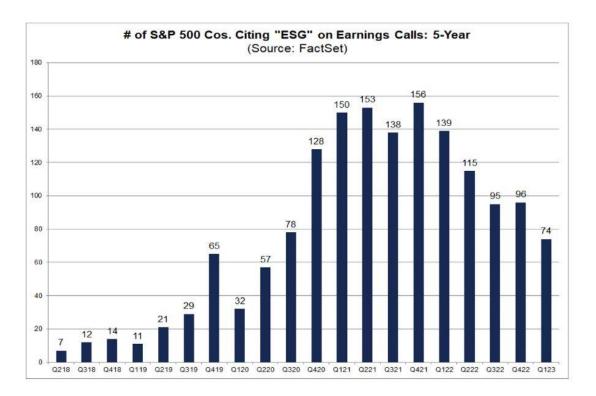
Source: J-C Parets

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### #esg #sp500 #earnings-season

Lowest Number of S&P 500 Companies Citing "ESG" on Earnings Calls Since Q2 2020. FactSet searched for the term "ESG" in the conference call transcripts of all the S&P 500 companies that conducted earnings conference calls from March 15 through June 9. Of these companies, 74 cited the term "ESG" during their earnings calls. This is the lowest number of S&P 500 companies citing "ESG" on earnings calls going back to Q2 2020 (57).





Source: factset

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### #performance-kpis

#### 5 Performance KPIs by Oana Labes, MBA, CPA





Source: Oana Labes, MBA, CPA

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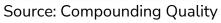
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### **#assets #liabilities #balance-sheet**

## Assets vs. liabilities by yourcfoguy.com thru Compounding Quality

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| Cash<br>Accounts Receivable  | 49,402<br>8,138   | 34,724 77,705  | 9,910<br>19,350   | 2<br>10<br>11   | Liabilities  |  | Q1 2022   | Q2 2022 Q3  | 3 2022 0   | 24 2022  | I                     |
| Inventory<br>Fixed Assets  | 527<br>11,602   | 1,133 69,261   | 7,040<br>54,284   | 12<br>13  | Accounts Payable<br>Credit Cards   |  | 4,069 264   | 853   | 38,853<br>10,677   | 9,675<br>3,520   |                       |
| Total Assets   | 69,669  | 94,877 260,467   | 90,584  | 14<br>15  | Other Current Liab<br>Debt   | ilities  | 5,801<br>53   | 171   | 34,630<br>2,135  | 27,142<br>704  |                       |
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- 1. The artificial gives us hangovers, the natural inverse-hangovers.
- 2. The only problem with the last laugh is that the winner has to laugh alone.
- 3. Intelligence without imagination: a deadly combination.
- 4. There is no more unmistakable sign of failure than that of a middle-aged man boasting of his successes in college.
- 5. Never trust a journalist unless she's your mother.
- 6. One of life's machinations is to make some people both rich and unhappy, that is, jointly fragile and deprived of hope.

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- 7. [If] someone is making an effort to ignore you he is not ignoring you.
- The danger of reading financial & other news (or econobullshit) is that things that don't make sense at all start making sense to you after progressive immersion.
- 9. It's a sign of weakness to worry about showing signs of weakness.
- 10. Friends, I wonder if someone has computed how much would be saved if we shut down economics and political science departments in universities. Those who need to research these subjects can do so on their private time.
- 11. I trust those who trust me and distrust those who are suspicious of others.
- 12. A good man is warm and respectful towards the waiter or people of lower rank.
- 13. Journalists feel contempt for those who fear them and a deep resentment for those who don't.
- 14. When someone starts a sentence with the first half containing "I", "not", and "but", the "not" should be removed and the "but" replaced with "therefore."
- High Modernity: routine in place of physical effort, physical effort in place of mental expenditure, & mental expenditure in place of mental clarity.
- (16) The only valid political system is one that can handle an imbecile in power without suffering from it.
- Journalists cannot grasp that what is interesting is not necessarily important; most cannot even grasp that what is sensational is not necessarily interesting.
- Never buy a product that the owner of the company that makes it doesn't use, or, in the case of, say, medication, wouldn't contingently use.
- 19. Just realized that to politely get rid of someone people in Brooklyn say "call me if you need anything."
- 20. Injuries done to us by others tend to be acute; the self-inflicted ones tend to be chronic.
- 21. We often benefit from harm done to us by others; almost never from self-inflicted injuries.
- 22. You will never know if someone is an asshole until he becomes rich.
- 23. When someone writes "I dislike you but I agree with you", I read "I dislike you because I agree with you."
- 24. A great book eludes summaries. A great aphorism resists expansion. The rest is just communication.
- 25. For a free person, the optimal most opportunistic route between two points should never be the shortest one.
- 26. What counts is not \*what\* people say, it is \*how much\* energy they spend saying it.
- 27. Used skillfully, a compliment will be much more offensive than any disparagement.
- 28. I trust those who are greedy for money a thousand time more than those who are greedy for credentials.
- -> 29. Just as eating cow-meat doesn't turn you into a cow, studying philosophy doesn't make you wiser.
- 30. It is a great compliment for an honest person to be mistaken for a crook by a crook.



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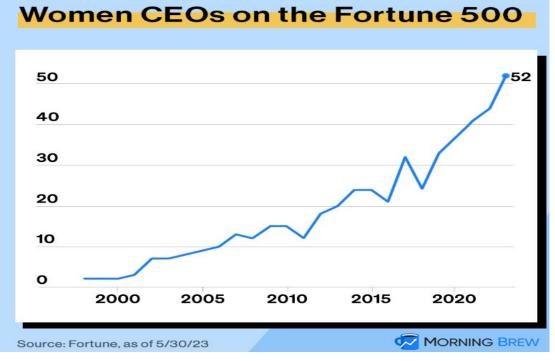
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#### **#women-in-business**

Women CEOs Run 10.4% of Fortune 500 Companies At the beginning of this year, the Fortune 500 crossed a

milestone: For the first time in history, women ran more than 10% of the businesses on the list of America's largest public companies. Five months later, the 69th annual Fortune 500 ranking is out, and those CEOs are proving their staying power. Women run 10.4% of companies on the Fortune 500 this year. A quarter of the 52 leaders became CEO in the last year.



Source: fortune, morning brew

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### #corporate #innovation #tech

The Most Innovative Companies in 2023 by Boston Consulting Group (BCG).





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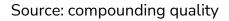
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### #corporate #beauty-industry-giants #luxury #brands

#### 8 Companies that own the beauty market.







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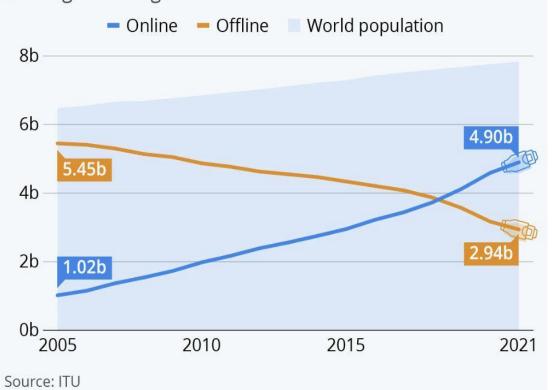
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### #internet #offline #online

2.9 billion people are still offline

## Disconnected: 2.9 Billion People Still Offline

Estimated number of individuals worldwide using/not using the internet





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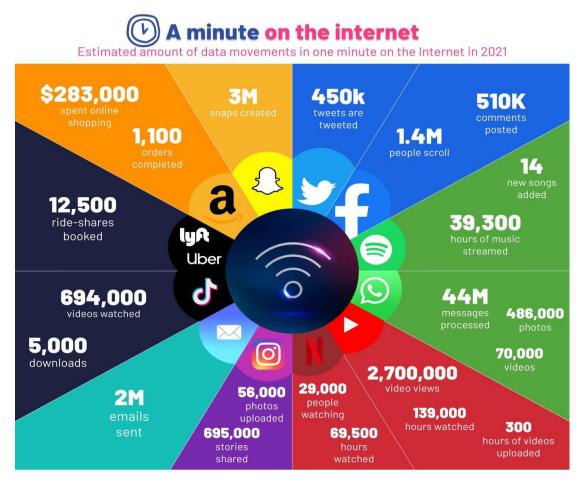
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### #internet #apps

#### What happens on the internet in one minute?



Source: Statista, Hypebot, Smart Insights, Visual.ly

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### #openai #sam-altman #personal-development

In 2019, OpenAI's CEO Sam Altman wrote a blog post called "How To Be Successful" – outlining 13 life principles to apply if you seek outlier success.

| #1<br>Compound<br>yourself                                 | #2<br>Have almost<br>too much<br>self-belief | #3<br>Learn to think<br>independently | #4<br>Get good<br>at "sales"               | #5<br>* * * *<br>Make it easy<br>to take risks |
|--|--|---------------------------------------|--|--|
| #6<br>-Öj-<br>Focus  | #7<br>Work hard                              | #8                                    | #9   | #10<br>Be hard to<br>compete with              |
| <sup>13 principles from</sup><br>Sam Altman's<br>How To Be |  | #11<br>K<br>Build a<br>network        | #12<br>You get rich<br>by owning<br>things | #13<br>Be internally<br>driven                 |
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### #ai #tools

If you're not using AI, you're falling behind - tweet by Zain Kahn. Here are 20 AI tools to future-proof yourself. Get more tools like this by signing up to Superhuman AI--the world's biggest AI newsletter.

- 1. 12ft: An AI tool that unlocks paid online articles for free.
- 2. Photoroom AI: AI-powered photo studio for e-commerce.
- 3. Mayday AI: The AI assisted calendar that helps you save time.
- 4. Recall AI: Your personal AI powered encyclopedia.
- 5. Stylized AI: Draw any object and turn it into a studio quality image.
- 6. Tugan AI: Generate promotional emails instantly by entering URL or a topic.
- 7. Pico AI: Build simple and shareable web apps with AI.
- 8. Xembly AI: Manage your work across various platforms.
- 9. Claid AI: An AI tool to add compelling backgrounds to your products.
- 10. Bardeen Al plugin: Al-powered Chrome extension that automates manual work.
- 11. Onesta AI: A finance chatbot powered by AI that answers all financial questions.
- 12. ChatGPT Writer: Chrome extension to generate entire emails and messages.
- 13. Butternut AI: Build websites instantly using generative AI.
- 14. Al Photo sorter: Sort all of your photos using Al.
- 15. ColorAir: ChatGPT for teachers and instructors.
- 16. Baked: Turn your idea into art with AI.
- 17. Opus Clip: Turn a long video into 10 viral clips.
- 18. Ellie: An email writing assistant that learns from your writing style.
- 19. Rask AI: Localise your videos into 60+ different languages using AI.
- 20. Fibery AI: An AI-powered work and knowledge hub for starters.



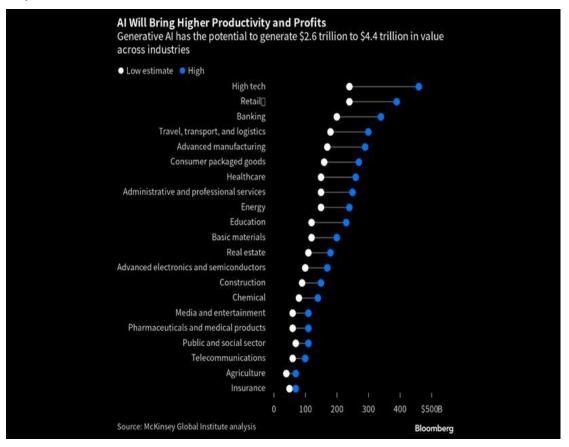
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### #ai #productivity #knowledge-worker

Biggest Losers Of AI Boom Are Knowledge Workers, McKinsey Says. Productivity increases could range between 0.1% and 0.6% over the next 20 years with potential economic benefits of as much as \$4.4 trillion, about 4.4% of the world economy's output . Generative AI will give humans a new "superpower", and the economy a much-needed productivity injection said the report.





#### Source: Mckinsey, bloomberg

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### #ai #tech

Hype of AI.



*Air India is getting huge investments since we called it AI* 



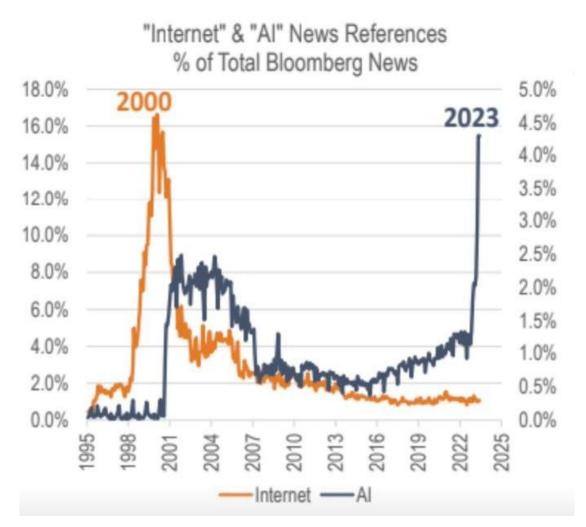
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### #ai #tech #buzz

Al is the new buzz. "Artificial Intelligence" as a percentage of Total Bloomberg news is skyrocketing and nears "Internet" news during the 2000 bubble.





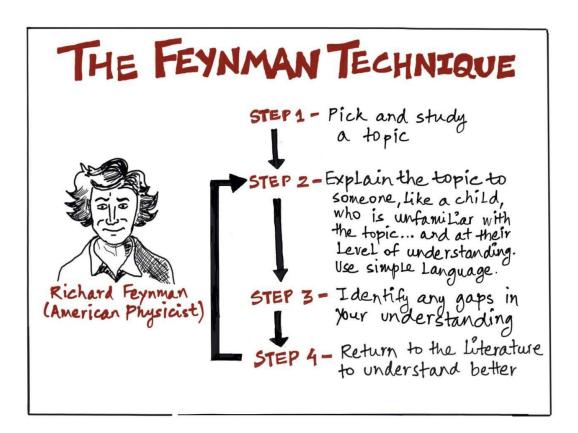
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### #feynman-technique

The Feynman Technique by Compounding Quality





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### #learning-to-learn #experience #teaching

Experience and teaching to others are the most effective way to LEARN.





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### **#soros #succession-plan**

George Soros is handing control of his \$25 billion empire to his younger son Alexander Soros. Alexander Soros, a self-described center-left thinker who grew up self-conscious of the family's wealth and wasn't thought to be a potential successor. The 37year-old, who goes by Alex, said in the first interview since his selection that he was broadening his father's liberal aims—"We think alike," the elder Soros said—while embracing some different causes.





Source: wsj

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### #storytelling #kahneman

The power of storytelling

"No one ever made a decision because of a number. They need a story."

Nobel laureate (economics) **Daniel Kahneman** (from The Undoing Project)





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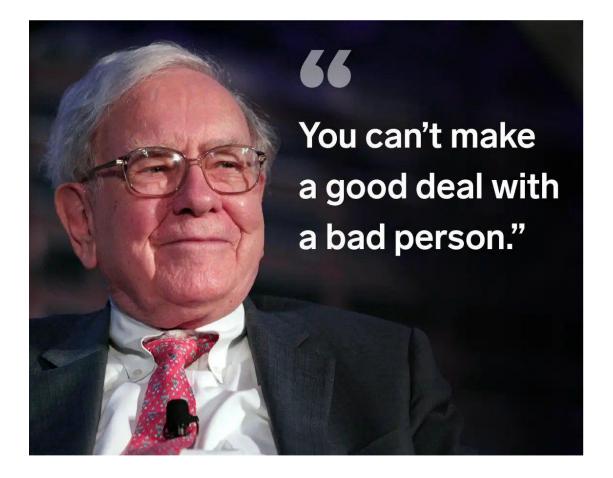
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### #warren-buffet #success-story

Integrity matters.





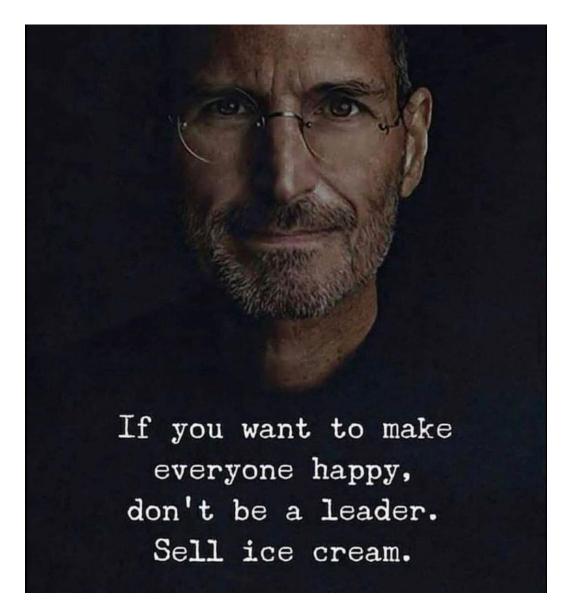
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### #leadership





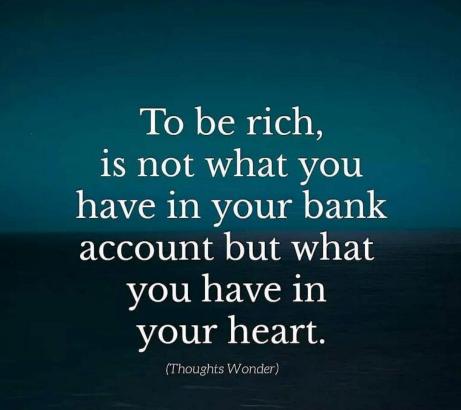
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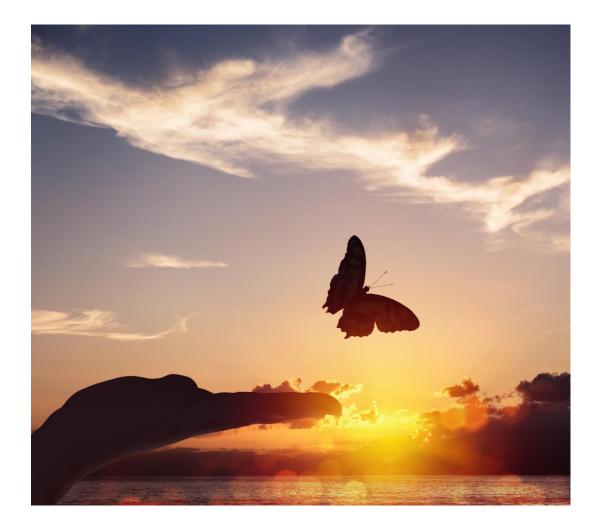
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