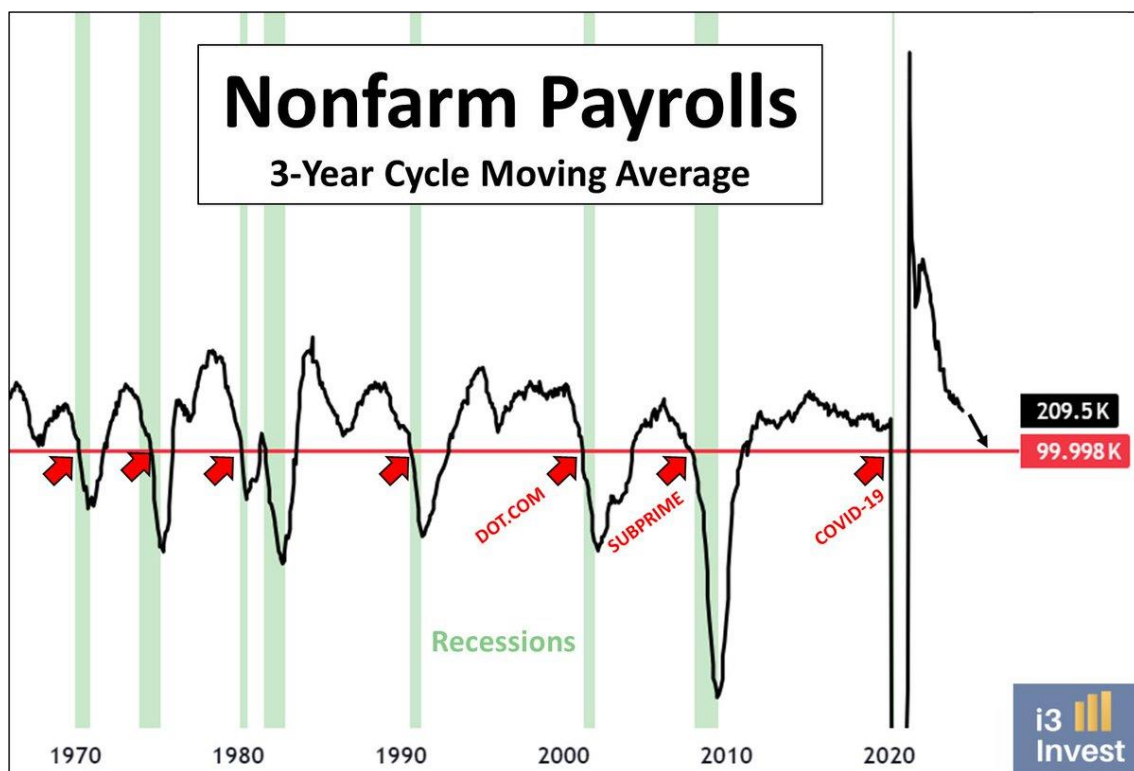


Chart of the week

Can the US economy avoid a recession?

US monthly non-farm payrolls keep weakening and the 3-year average is now barely above 200k. Looking at historical data, the key level to watch is when the 3-year average of nonfarm payroll drops below 100k. It was a leading indicator for the dotcom and subprime recessions. Despite the "distortion" caused by COVID-19, this indicator remains interesting to watch. So stay tuned.



Worst weekly drop in 18 months for the S&P500

Worries over an economic slowdown appeared to weigh on sentiment as the S&P 500 recorded its worst weekly performance since March 2023 . Tech shares led the declines, driven in part by a drop in NVIDIA following rumors that it may be the subject of a Justice Department antitrust investigation, which led to a roughly USD 300 billion drop in the chip giant's market capitalization. Energy shares were also especially weak on the back of a decline in oil prices. Conversely, the typically defensive utilities, consumer staples, and real estate sectors held up better. US economic data generally surprised on the downside, raising fears that the Federal Reserve had waited too long to ease monetary policy. On Tuesday, the ISM US manufacturing activity index remained firmly in contraction territory in August, with new orders falling for the third consecutive month. Friday's official payrolls report from the Labor Department painted a complicated picture of the health of the labor market. Overall, employers added 142,000 jobs in August, below consensus estimates of around 160,000, while July's gain was revised down to 89,000, marking the lowest level since December 2020. The yield on the 10-year U.S. Treasury note appeared to fall back in response to the jobs report, hitting its lowest level since May 2023. In Europe, the STOXX Europe 600 Index ended 3.52% lower on renewed fears about a deterioration in the outlook for global economic growth. Japan's stock markets fell over the week, with the Nikkei 225 Index down 5.8%.



#sp500 #weekly

The worst week since March 2023 for the S&P 500



Source: www.zerohedge.com, Bloomberg

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#sp500 #drawdown

The S&P 500 has now erased \$2.2 trillion of market cap in the first week of September.



Source: www.zerohedge.com, Bloomberg





#mag7 #weekly

The entire Mag 7 sector is now back to levels last seen just after the Aug 5 breakout..



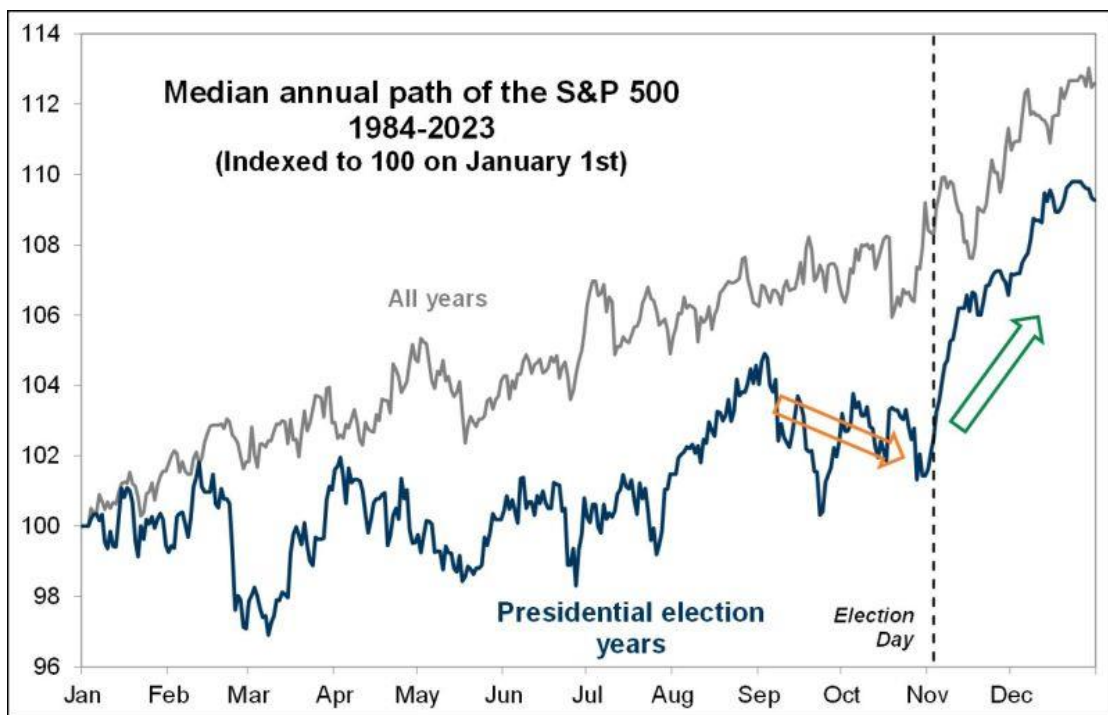
Source: www.zerohedge.com, Bloomberg





#sp500 #performance #election

Tuesday's rout is right on schedule: in presidential election years, markets peak right around Labor Day then trap door all the way until the election. September and October tend to be weak in election years. This doesn't mean the world will fall apart, but just be aware the calendar over the next 8 weeks isn't doing anyone any favours. "Plans are useless, but planning is everything." Eisenhower



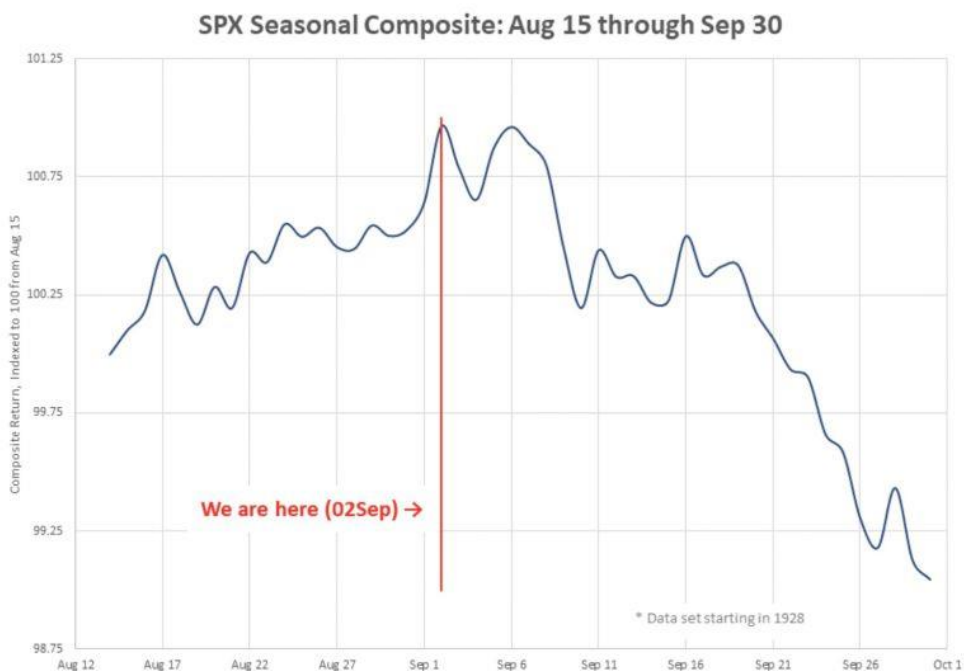
Source: Goldman Sachs, www.zerohedge.com, Ryan Detrick





#sp500 #performance #election

This Goldman chart shows that September is historically weak for global equities and risk assets w/avg return at -2.31%. Sept 16th has been a seasonal turning point, w/2H Sept being the worst performing 2 weeks of the year, BUT maybe this seasonality gets pre-traded by market participants this year. Goldman says flow-of-funds, such as the quarter-end pension rebalancing can explain the annual weakness in September.



Source: Goldman Sachs FICC and Equities, Scott Rubner, as of 9/4/24, data from 1928. Past performance is not indicative of future returns. "Simulated results are for illustrative purposes only. GS provides no assurance or guarantee that the strategy will operate or would have operated in the past in a manner consistent with the above analysis. Past performance figures are not a reliable indicator of future results.

Source: HolgerZ, GS





#sp500 #performance #september

September is historically the worst month of the year for stocks: The S&P 500 has fallen -2.3% on average in September over the last 10 years, marking the only month with negative returns. Since World War II, the average September return has been negative, at -0.8%. Moreover, the Volatility Index, \$VIX, has seen an average spike of ~10% in September over the last 33 years. Subsequently, in October and November, the S&P 500 has seen a +1.6% and +3.8% rally on average. Markets are entering their most volatile period of the year.



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Data source: YCharts



Source: The Motley Fool, The Kobeissi Letter





#sp500 #recession #performance

Recessions are Bad for Stocks...

-but only during the first part

-stocks do well in the later stages

Basically, you need to lighten exposure into recession, then load up in the depths.

Chart 3: Average S&P returns are typically higher towards the end of recessions

Schroders



Note: Performance statistics based on daily S&P 500 price returns. For recessions less than 12 months, they are excluded from the first 6 months and last 6 months calculation.
Source: Refinitiv, Yahoo Finance, Schroders Economics Group, 5 December 2022. 606693

Source: Schroders thru Callum Thomas



#vix #options #trading

Options Trader Spends \$9 Million Betting on September Volatility Spike. An options trader or traders bought call spreads on the Cboe Volatility Index — or VIX — expiring in September, spending upwards of \$9 million to protect against a spike in the gauge of S&P 500 volatility past 22 from its current level of just over 15. Some 350,000 contracts of VIX 22/30 call spreads expiring on Sept. 18 changed hands for about \$0.25 each, some in small trades, others in big blocks. The trade will be profitable if the VIX Index jumps above 22, but gains will be capped at a reading of 30.

Bloomberg

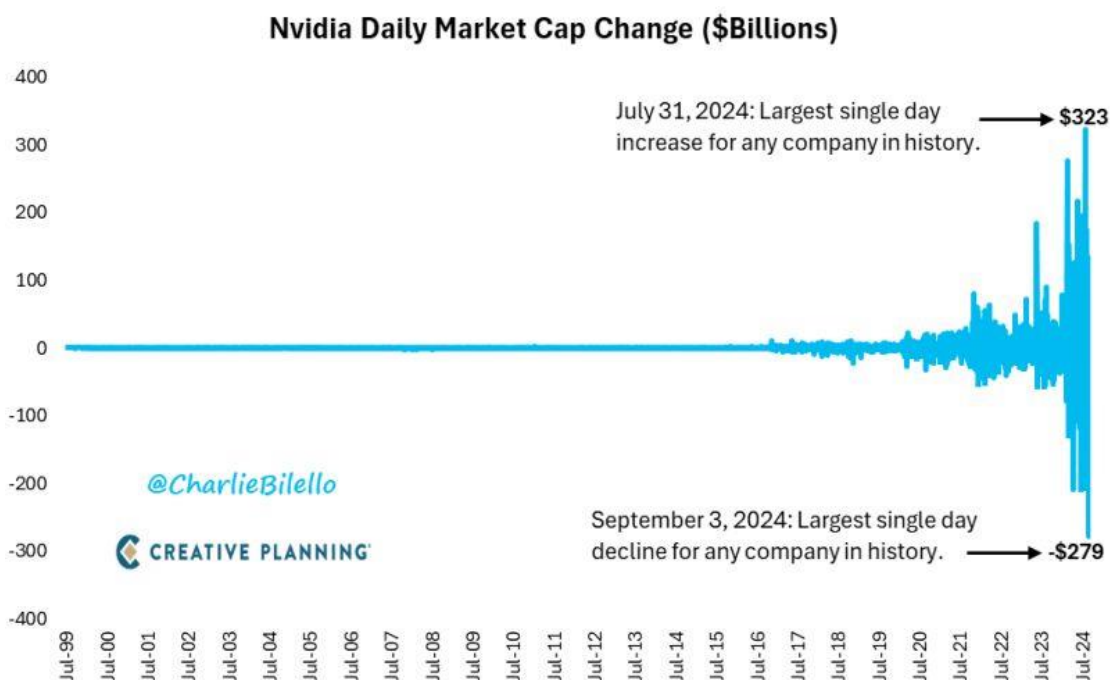
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Source: bloomberg, yahoo!finance



#nvidia #market-cap

Nvidia's market cap fell \$279 billion today, the largest single-day decline for any company in history. That's bigger than the market cap of 474 companies in the S&P 500. \$NVDA



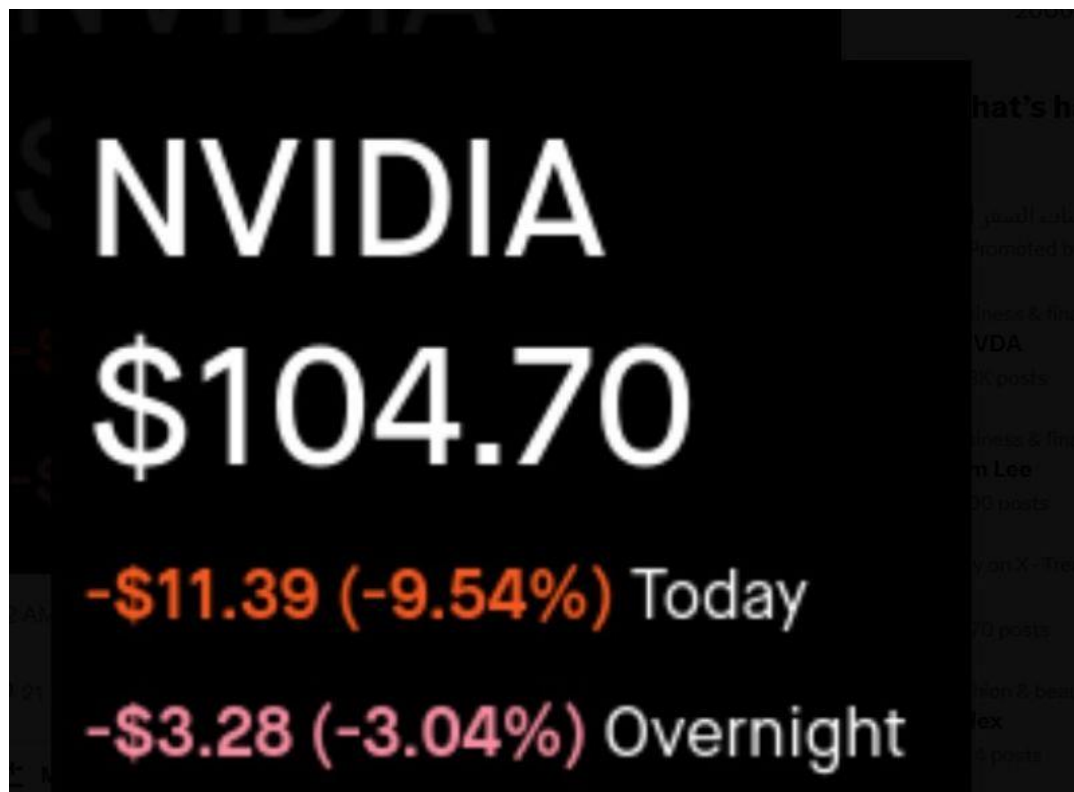
Source: Charlie Bilello





#nvidia #doj

Adding Insult To Margin Calls, Nvidia Receives DOJ Subpoena Making Record Price Drop Even Worse. \$NVDA is down another 3% in the overnight session. After the close on Tuesday, the DOJ sent subpoenas to Nvidia and other companies in an escalation of its investigation into possible antitrust law violations by Nvidia. The DOJ is concerned with whether Nvidia penalizes buyers that don't exclusively use Nvidia chips and makes it difficult to switch suppliers.



Source: Markets & Mayhem

#nvidia #doj

BREAKING >>> \$NVDA Nvidia just said they have NOT been subpoenaed by the Department of Justice - stock is up 1% after-hours. Nvidia on Wednesday denied reports it received a subpoena from the Department of Justice over antitrust concerns. "We have inquired with the U.S. Department of Justice and have not been subpoenaed," an Nvidia representative told CNBC. "Nonetheless, we are happy to answer any questions regulators may have about our business."





#nvidia #drawdown

Nvidia resumed its plunge and just barely managed to remain above \$100. It is now down more 30% from its all time high hit all the way back in June...



Source: www.zerohedge.com, Bloomberg



#capex

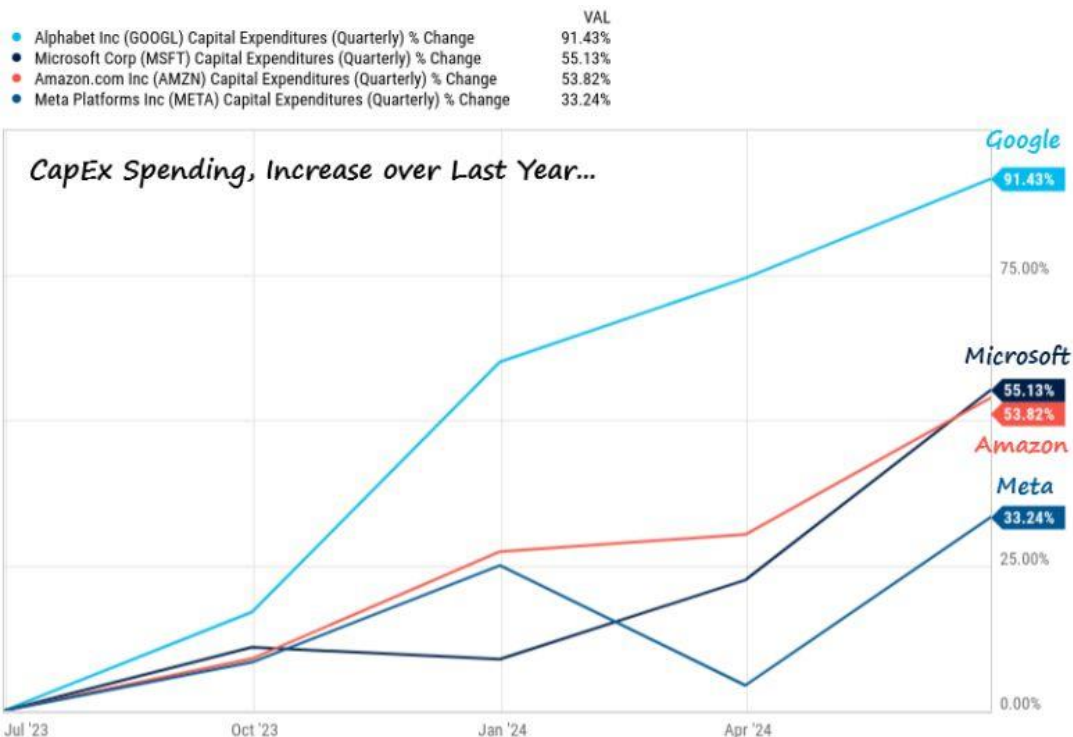
Increase in CapEx spending over the last year...

-Google \$GOOGL: +91%

-Amazon \$AMZN: +55%

-Microsoft \$MSFT: +54%

-Meta \$META: +33%



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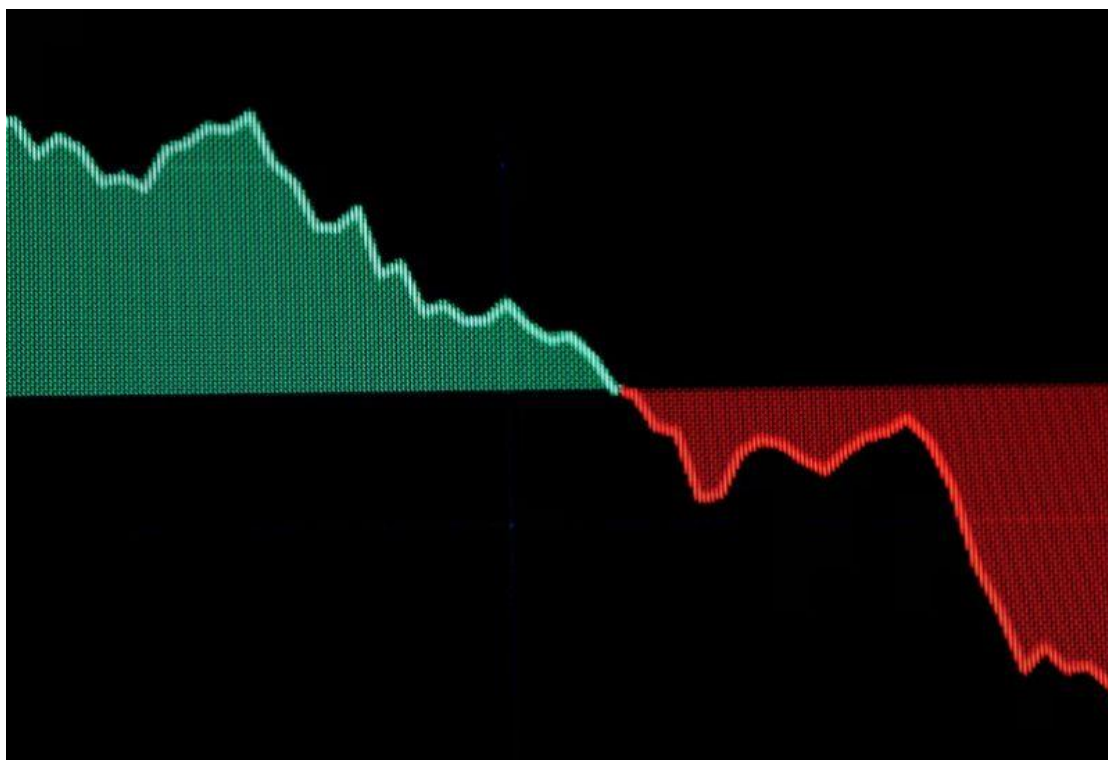
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Source: Charlie Bilello



#dow-jones #intel

Intel's Dow status is under threat. Analysts and investors said, as the company is likely to be removed from the Dow Jones Industrial Average (DJI) due to a nearly 60% decline in its shares this year, making it the worst performer on the index and leaving it with the lowest stock price on the price-weighted Dow.

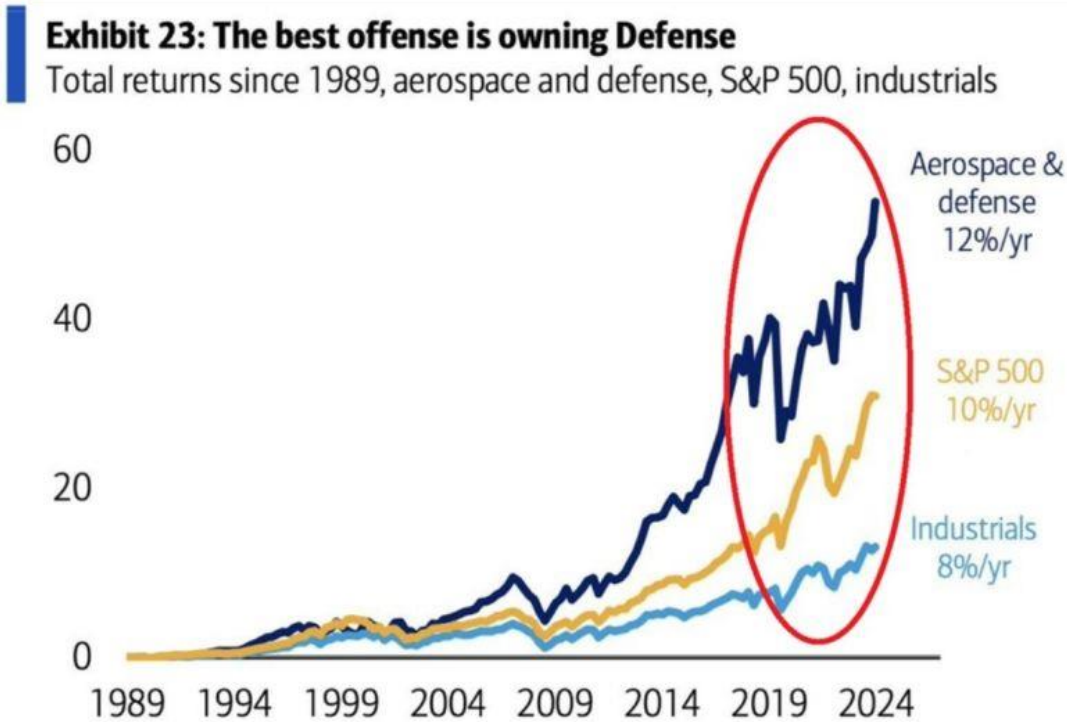


Source: reuters



#sp500 #defense #performance

Aerospace & defense stocks have outperformed the S&P 500 index by ~20% per year on average over the last 35 years. Defense stocks have returned 12% per annum beating the S&P 500's average annual gain of 10%.



Source: BofA Global Research, Bloomberg

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Source: kobeissiletter, bofa





#volkswagen #factory

Next shoe to drop: Volkswagen is considering unprecedented factory closures in Germany in a bid for deeper cutbacks in another blow to Chancellor Olaf Scholz's govt. Any shutdowns would mark the 1st closures in Germany during the company's 87 years history, setting VW up for a clash with powerful unions.



Source: HolgerZ, Bloomberg



#china #stock #valuation

There's cheap and there's very cheap. Chinese stocks are now trading at just 40% of US stock valuations. That ratio is now 2 standard deviations below the historical average.



Source: David Ingles, Bloomberg

#china #stock

Nobody wants to touch China

JPMorgan Abandons Recommendation to Buy China Stocks Ahead of US Election

- Bank cuts stocks recommendation to neutral from overweight
- It joins UBS, Nomura in downgrading China exposure recently

Source: Markets & Mayhem



#us #yield-curve

US yield curve disinverts as soft labor data fuels Fed cut bets. 2s/10s yield spread briefly rose to +0.5bps as 2y yields slip below those on 10y. (BBG)

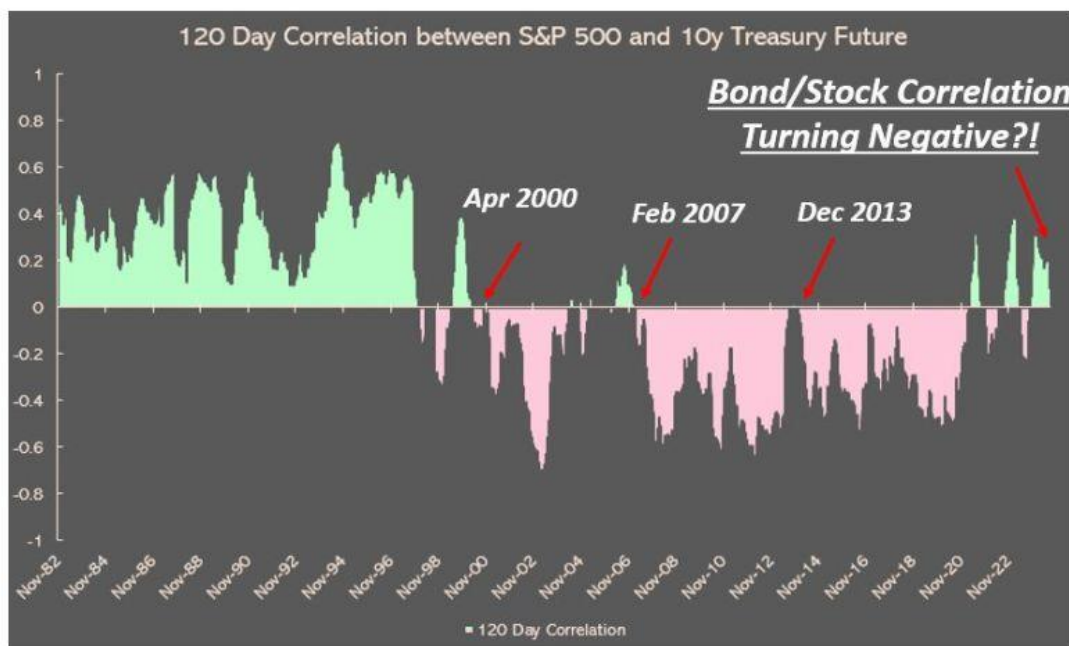


Source: HolgerZ, Bloomberg



#stock #bonds #hedge

Is a massive regime change in markets taking place? This week has again been volatile for stocks. But the big news for investors is for the first time in a few years, bonds are acting again as a hedge against stock market drawdowns. Or in other words: after a period of positive correlation which wrecked 60/40 portfolios, the stock/bond correlation is turning negative again. This is an important development.



Source: Alfonso Peccatiello



#oil #performance

Crude Oil closed below \$70 a barrel today for the first time since last December and is now down 3% on the year.



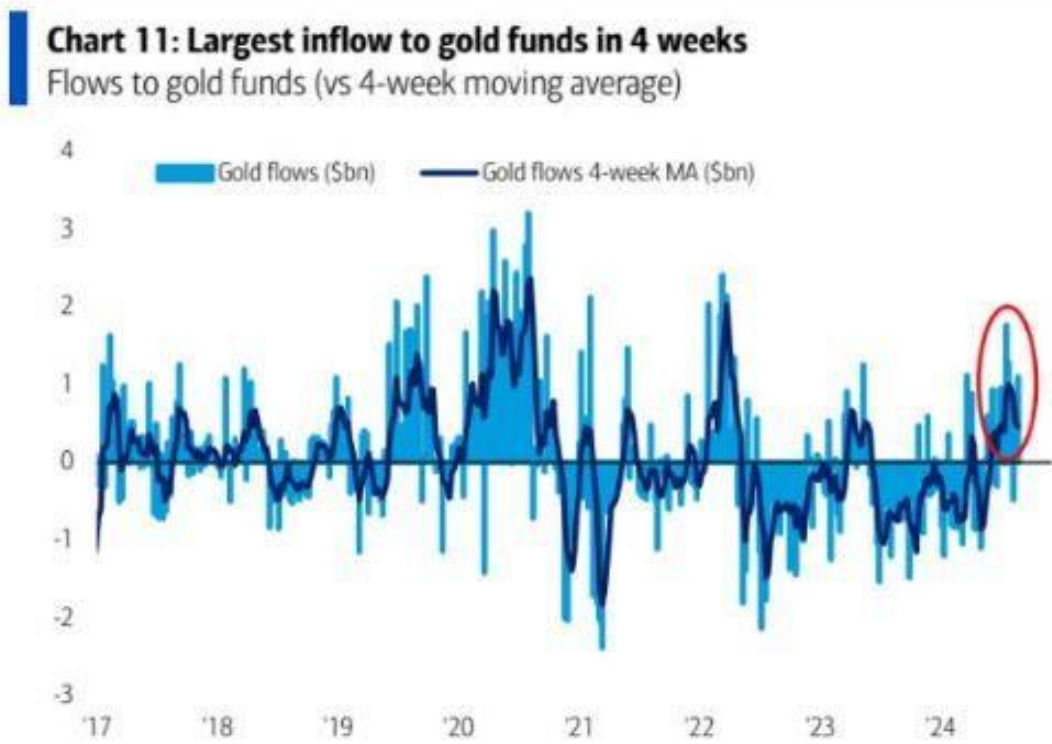
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#gold #inflow

Largest Inflow to Gold Fund in 4 Weeks



Source: BofA Global Investment Strategy, EPFR

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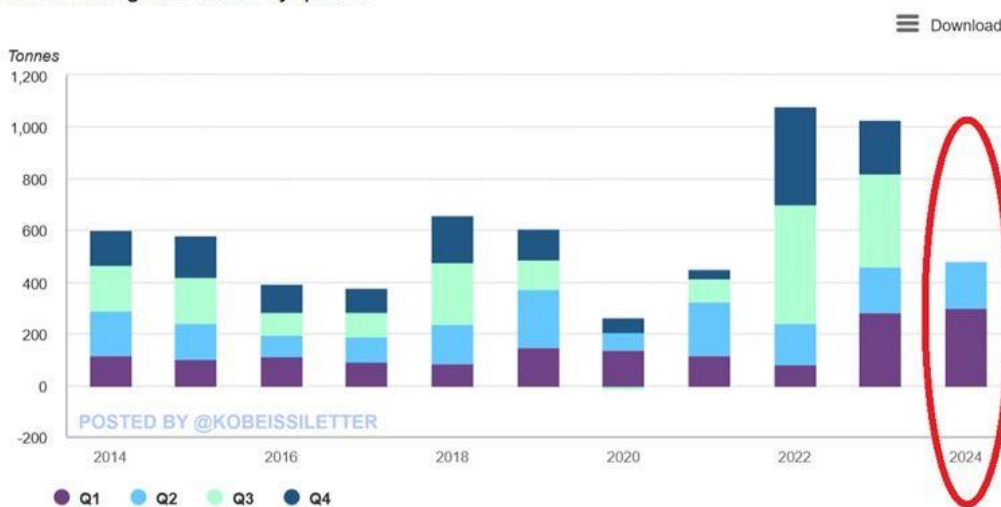


#gold #central-banks

BREAKING: Global net gold purchases by central banks reached 483 tonnes in the first half of 2024, the most on record. This is 5% higher than the previous record of 460 tonnes set in the first half of 2023. In Q2 2024, central banks bought 183 tonnes of gold, marking a 6% year-over-year increase. On the other hand, this was 39% lower than the 300 tonnes of purchases seen in Q1. The largest buyers were the National Bank of Poland, the Reserve Bank of India, and the Central Bank of Turkey. Why are central banks stocking up on gold?

Chart 10: Central bank gold demand in H1 was the highest on record

Central bank gold demand by quarter*



Sources: Metals Focus, World Gold Council; Disclaimer

*Data as of 30 June 2024.

Source: The Kobeissi Letter





#dollar #bearish

Speculators have turned Bearish on the U.S. Dollar for the first time since February 🚨

Speculators Are Dollar Bears for First Time Since February

Net dollar bets have fallen more than \$42 billion since April peak

■ Aggregate USD position, non-commercial traders



Source: CFTC, Bloomberg

Note: Data includes net futures positions recorded by CFTC through August 27, 2024

Bloomberg

Source: Barchart, Bloomberg



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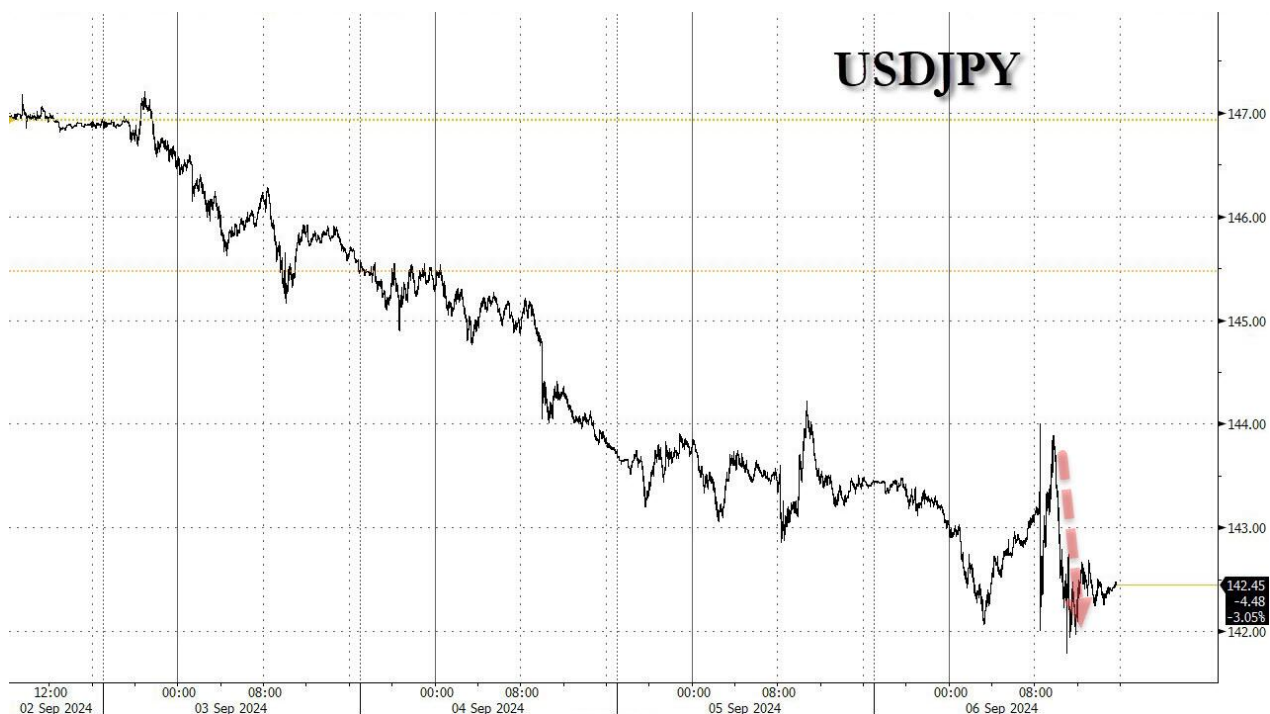
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#forex #yen

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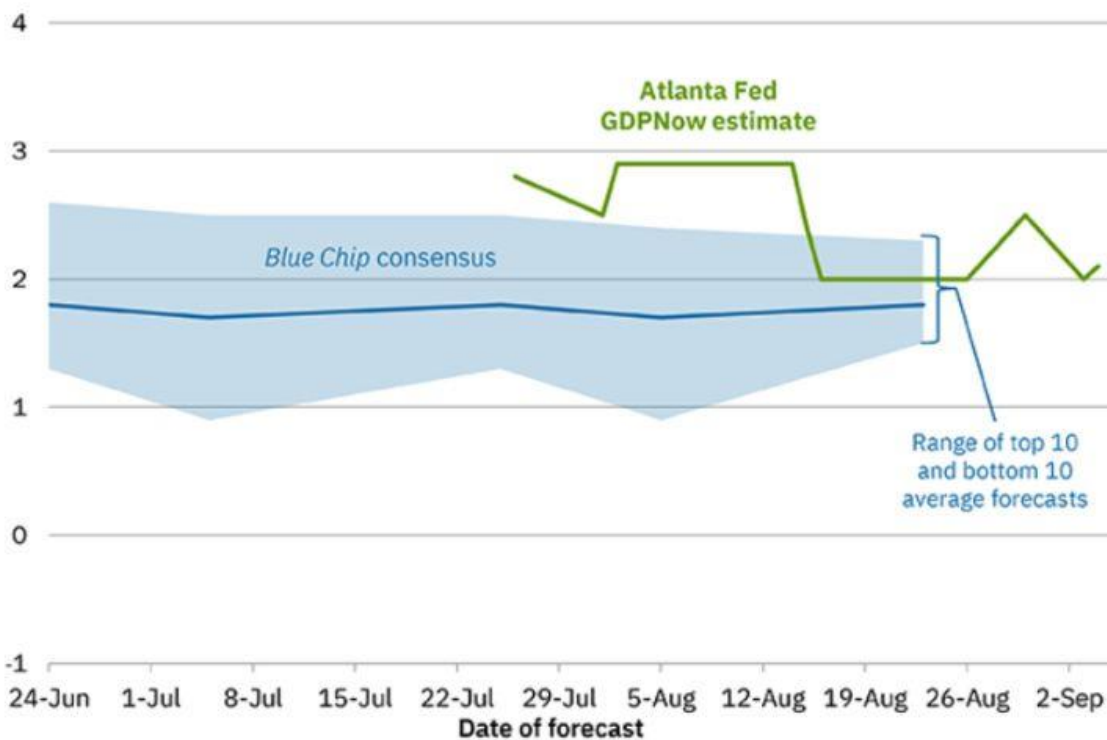




#us #gdp

Atlanta Fed GDPNow is forecasting just 2.1% US GDP growth for Q3

Evolution of Atlanta Fed GDPNow real GDP estimate for 2024: Q3
Quarterly percent change (SAAR)



Sources: Blue Chip Economic Indicators and Blue Chip Financial Forecasts

Note: The top (bottom) 10 average forecast is an average of the highest (lowest) 10 forecasts in the Blue Chip survey.



#us #non-farm-payrolls

NFP increased 142k in Aug, below the expected 165k. Additionally, the prior 2mths were revised down a net -86k, w/July now at an 89k (was 114k) gain and 118k (was 179k) in June. The jobless rate ticked down to 4.2%, as expected. Average hourly earnings climbed a bigger than forecast 0.4% from 0.2%.

Hours worked increased to 34.3 from 34.2. The labor force was up 120k after rising 420k previously. Household employment increased 168 following the 67k rise.

The labor force participation rate was steady at 62.7%. Private payrolls were up 118k from 74k (was 97k) previously (ADP was 99k).

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21)	09/06 14:30				Change in Nonfarm Payrolls	Aug	165k	142k	114k	89k
22)	09/06 14:30				Two-Month Payroll Net Revision	Aug	--	-86k	-29k	--
23)	09/06 14:30				Change in Private Payrolls	Aug	140k	118k	97k	74k
24)	09/06 14:30				Change in Manufact. Payrolls	Aug	-2k	-24k	1k	6k
25)	09/06 14:30				Unemployment Rate	Aug	4.2%	4.2%	4.3%	--
26)	09/06 14:30				Average Hourly Earnings MoM	Aug	0.3%	0.4%	0.2%	--
27)	09/06 14:30				Average Hourly Earnings YoY	Aug	3.7%	3.8%	3.6%	--
28)	09/06 14:30				Average Weekly Hours All Employees	Aug	34.3	34.3	34.2	--
29)	09/06 14:30				Labor Force Participation Rate	Aug	62.7%	62.7%	62.7%	--
30)	09/06 14:30				Underemployment Rate	Aug	--	7.9%	7.8%	--

Source: HolgerZ, Bloomberg

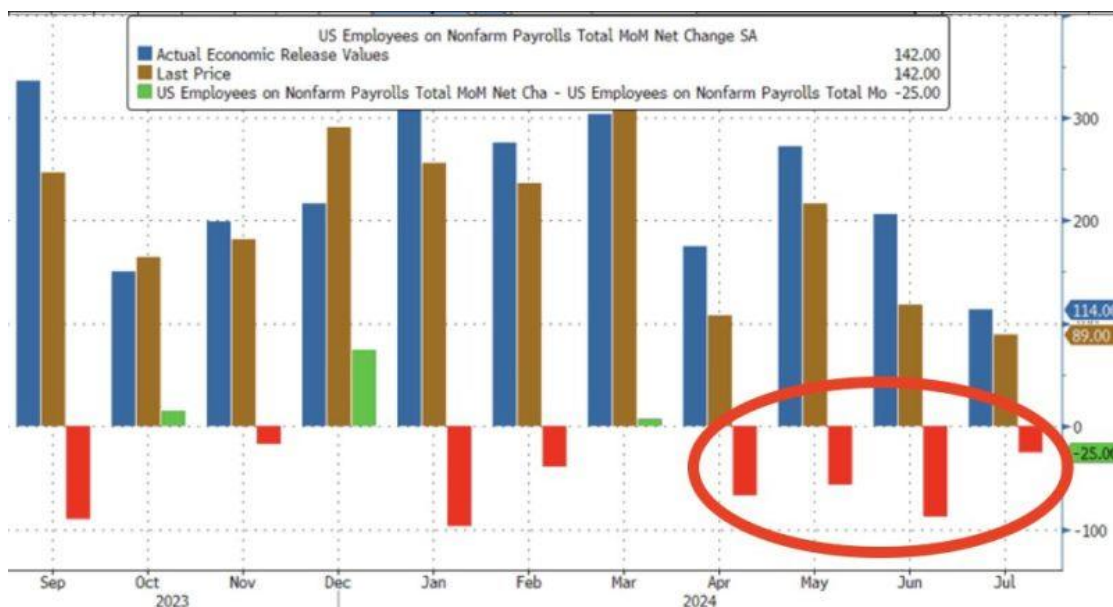




#us #non-farm-payrolls

This is though to make it up. The June and July hashtag#us jobs reports were just revised lower by an additional 86,000 hashtag#jobs.


This is the SECOND TIME that the June jobs report was revised lower. 6 out of the last 7 jobs reports have now been revised LOWER, per ZeroHedge. In fact, 11 out of the last 15 jobs reports have now been revised lower. We are talking about MILLIONS in jobs revisions over the last two years.



Source: The Kobeissi Letter, www.zerohedge.com



#us #labor

 US job openings dropped to 7.67 million in July from 7.91 million in June, the lowest level since January 2021. US available vacancies materially missed expectations of 8.09 million. Since the March 2022 peak, job openings have declined by a MASSIVE 4.51 million or 38%. The most notable drop was seen in construction openings which fell to 248,000 in July, their lowest since October 2020. Meanwhile, the ratio of job vacancies to unemployed workers fell to 1.07 in July, in line with 2018 levels. The US labor market is definitely cooling down.



Source: FRED, The Kobeissi Letter



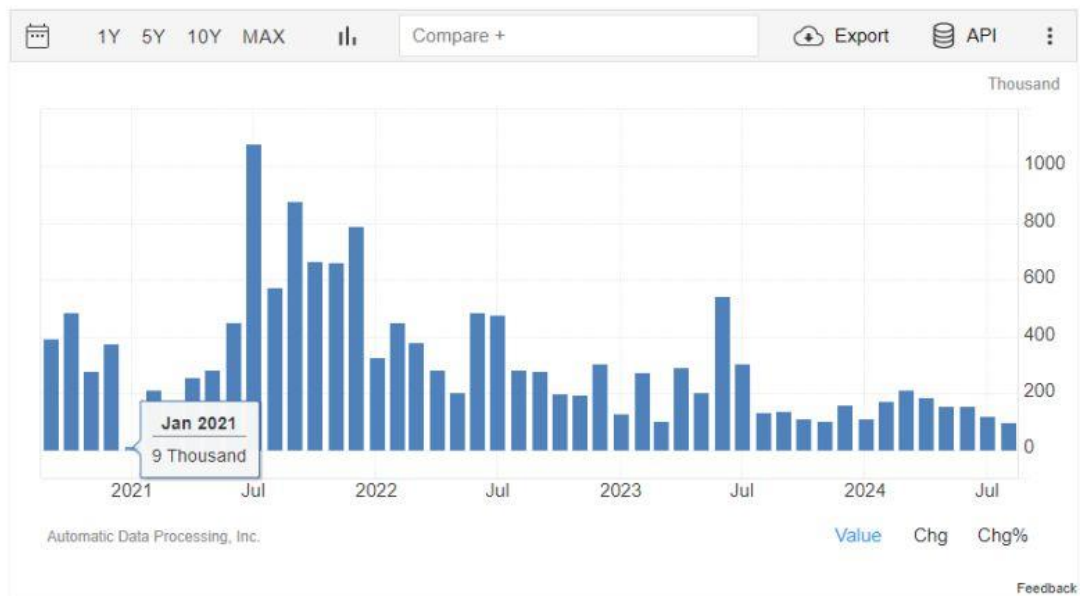
#us #labor

August private payrolls in the US rose by 99,000, well below expectations of 144,000. This marks the smallest gain since 2021.

United States ADP Employment Change

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Private businesses in the United States hired 99 thousand workers in August of 2024 compared to 122 thousand in July of 2024. ADP Employment Change in the United States averaged 162.53 Thousand from 2010 until 2024, reaching an all time high of 1081 Thousand in July of 2021 and a record low of -6759 Thousand in April of 2020. source: Automatic Data Processing, Inc.



Source: ADP, The Kobeissi Letter



#us #labor

BREAKING: 90% of US cities saw a rise in year over year unemployment rates in July, according to the BLS. Jobless rates jumped in 350 of the 389 metropolitan areas last month. Additionally, in 8 large metro areas with a population of 1 million or more, FEWER people held a job in July 2024 than in July 2019. At the same time, average weekly wages DROPPED in 43% of the 389 metropolitan areas. In 5 of the 8 highest-paying areas with average weekly wages above \$1,400, salaries declined year-over-year. The US labor market is weakening.

Average Weekly Earnings

Weekly pay is negative in many of the highest wage areas from a year ago

Metropolitan area	Percent change	Jul-23	Jul-24
San Jose-Sunnyvale-Santa Clara, CA	0.8%	\$1,853	\$1,868
San Francisco-Oakland-Hayward, CA	-0.3	1,584	1,580
Midland, TX	-8.9	1,602	1,460
Boston-Cambridge-Nashua, MA-NH NECTA	-1.9	1,470	1,442
Seattle-Tacoma-Bellevue, WA	-4.9	1,492	1,419
Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, DC-VA-MD-WV	-1.6	1,438	1,415
Bismarck, ND	8.3	1,303	1,411
Fairbanks, AK	2.3	1,375	1,406
Denver-Aurora-Lakewood, CO	5.7	1,300	1,373
Portland-Vancouver-Hillsboro, OR-WA	4.6	1,309	1,370
Boulder, CO	5.0	1,279	1,343

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

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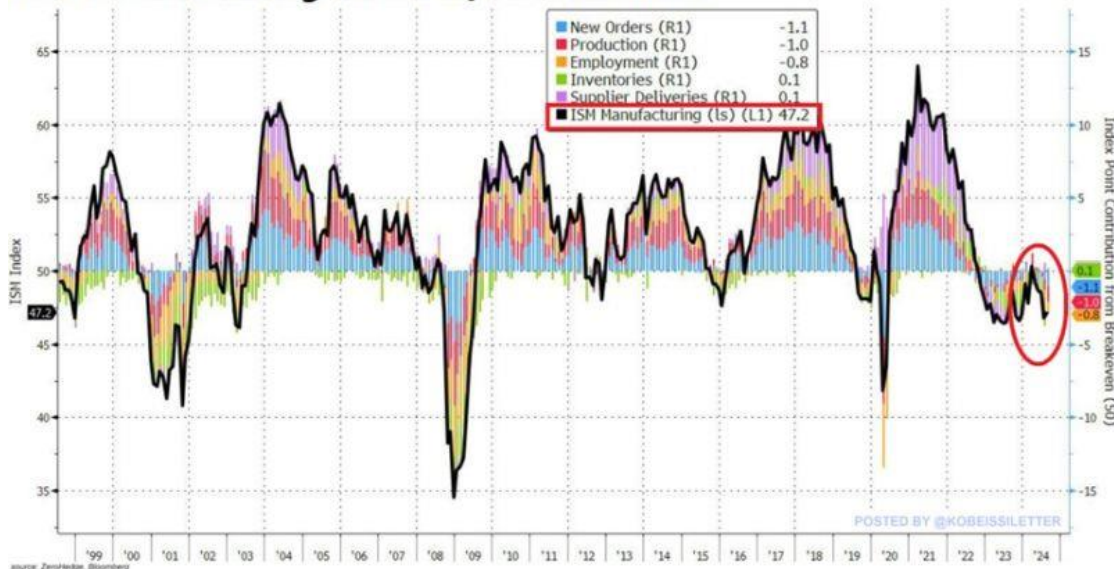
Source: The Kobeissi Letter



#us #manufacturing #index

US manufacturing has officially contracted for the 5th consecutive month, to 47.2 points. The ISM manufacturing PMI index missed expectations of 47.5 points for last month. New orders fell to 44.6 points from 47.4 in July, experiencing contraction for the 3rd straight month. Manufacturing activity has now shrunk in 21 of the last 22 months, extending the second-longest downturn in history. The worst part? The prices paid index jumped to 54.0 points from 52.9 in July, expanding for the 8th month in a row. Rising prices with falling output is rarely a good combo for stocks >>> to be monitored

ISM Manufacturing Index w/Contributions

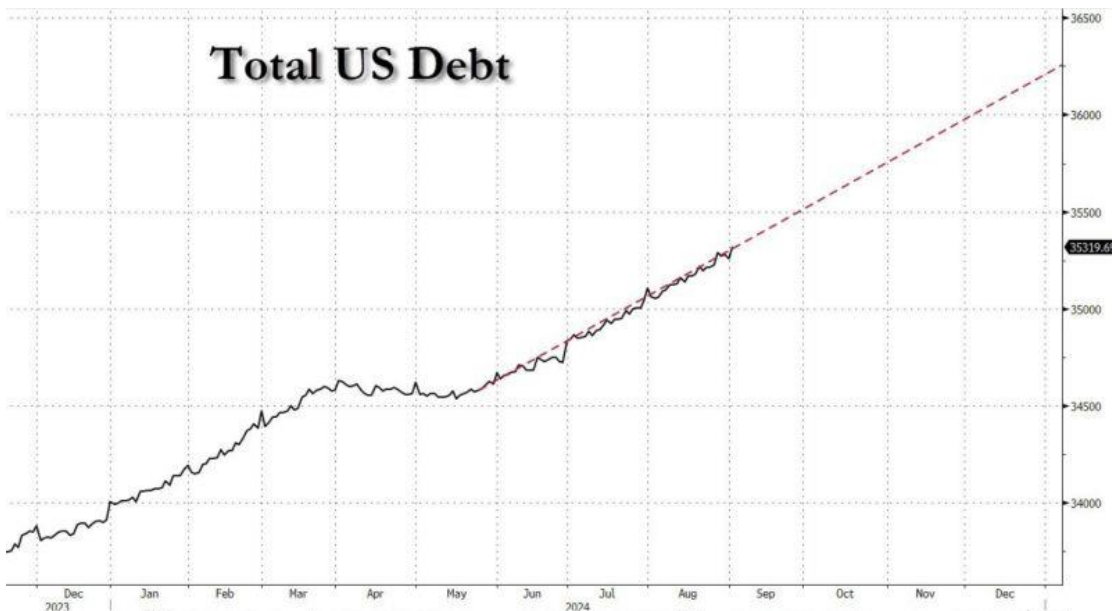


Source: www.zerohedge. The Kobeissi Letter



#us #debt

Before covid, the US paid \$1 billion in debt interest per day; During covid it was \$2 billion. Today, it is \$3 billion every day. US debt up \$64 billion in 1 day to start the month of September, to a record high of \$35.3 trillion.





#germany #italy #industrial #production

Two scary trends in Europe. Interesting to see how the year of the euro introduction coincides with Italian industrial production trend. Meanwhile, German deindustrialization has just brought its industrial production to 2006 level...

Italy & Germany: Industrial production

2000=100



Source: Oxford Economics/Haver Analytics



Source: Chart @DanielKral1, Michel A.Arouet

#central-banks

#fed #rate-cuts #expectations

The market now see 50% chance of Jumbo (50bps) Fed rate cut in September as soft US jobs data fuels bond rally.

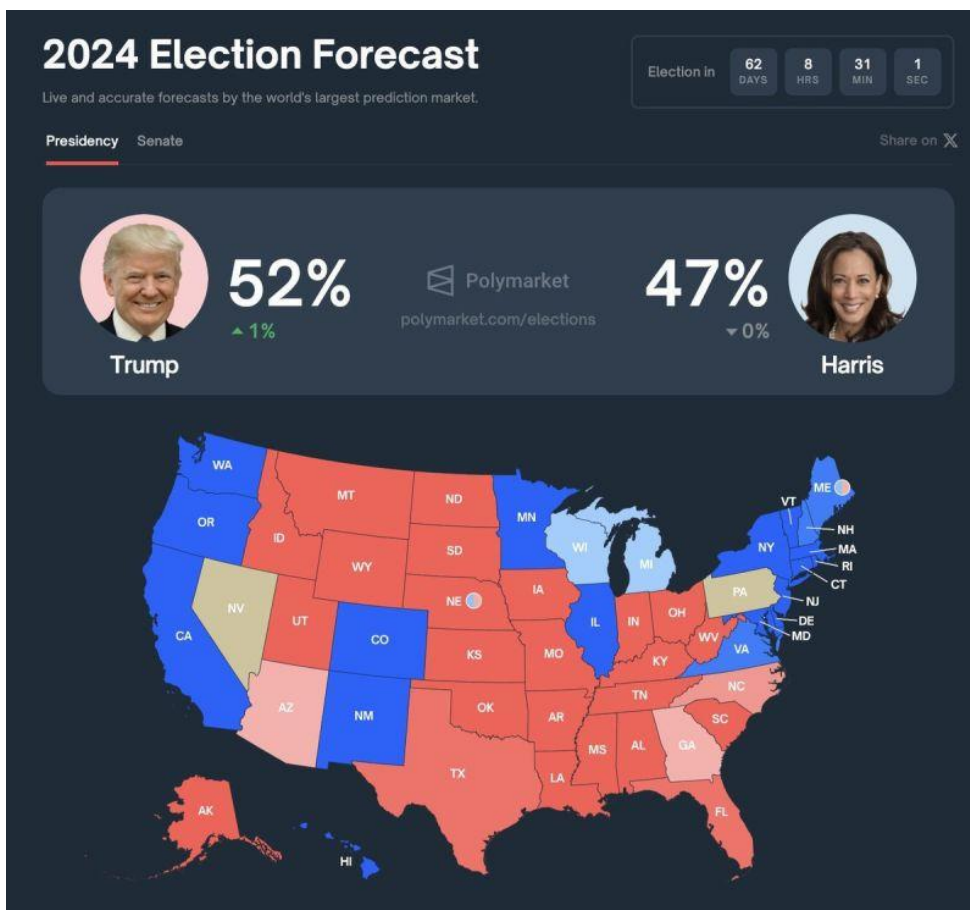


Source: Bloomberg, HolgerZ

#geopolitics

#us #election

US ELECTION UPDATE >>> Donald Trump is now leading Kamala Harris by 5 percentage points in 2024 election odds, according to Polymarket's prediction markets. Just one month ago, Harris was leading Trump by 10 percentage points on the same platform. The election is 2 months out.



Source: The Kobeissi Letter



#germany #afd #election

BREAKING: The right-wing AfD and the anti-woke BSW emerge as clear winners in the German state elections of Saxony and Thuringia, while the globalist government parties suffer a crushing defeat.



Source:Dr. Simon Goddek on X



#etf #bitcoin #ethereum

13 out of the top 25 ETF launches this year are Bitcoin or Ethereum related! Out of roughly 400 new ETFs, the top 4 are all spot Bitcoin ETFs.

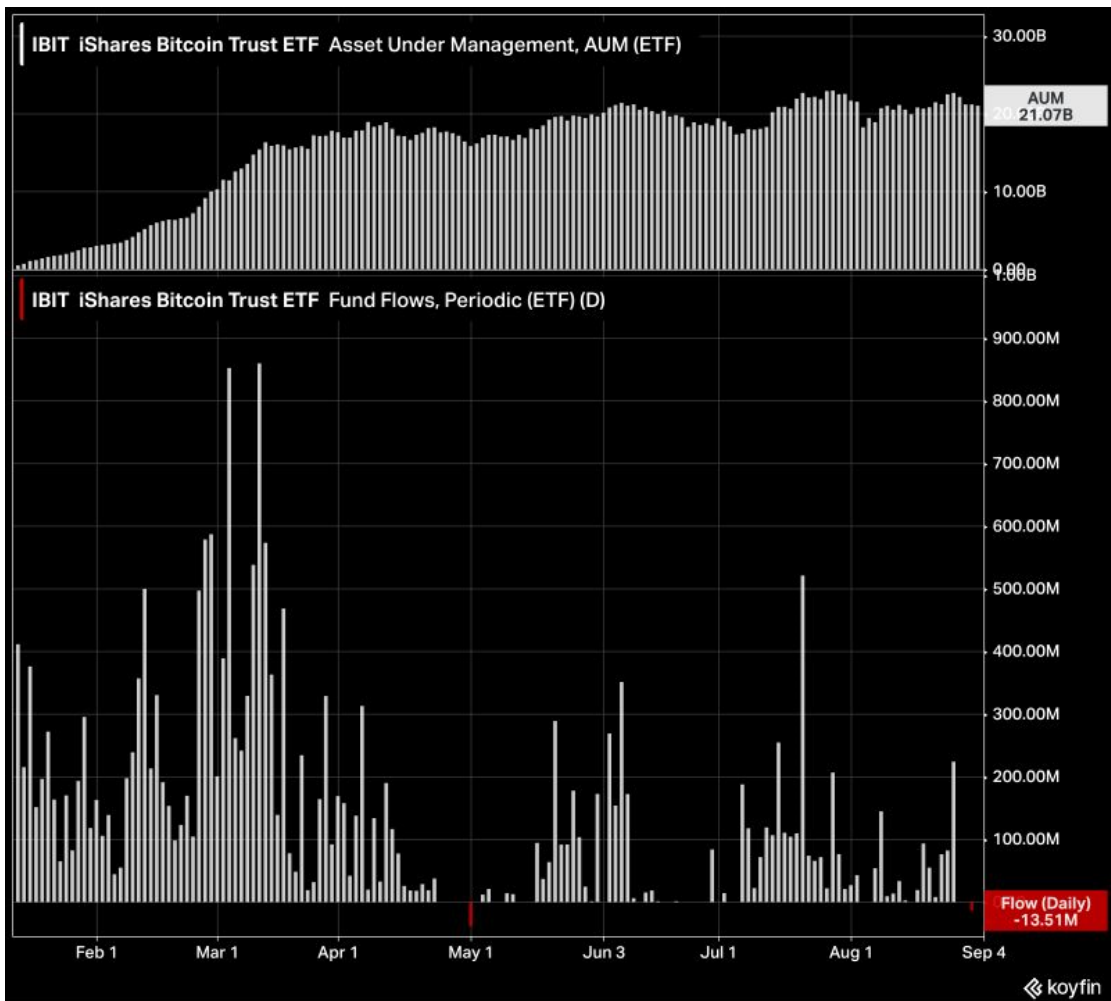
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FBTC	Fidelity Wise Origin Bitcoin Fund	9,835,850,307
ARKB	ARK 21Shares Bitcoin ETF	2,382,059,470
BITB	Bitwise Bitcoin ETF Trust	2,008,304,100
RSSL	Global X Russell 2000 ETF	1,361,531,570
PUSH	PGIM Ultra Short Municipal Bond ETF	1,205,579,000
ETHA	iShares Ethereum Trust ETF	1,012,789,200
EVLN	Eaton Vance Floating-Rate ETF	827,534,000
CCMG	CCM Global Equity ETF	811,777,463
AMJB	Alerian MLP Index ETN	668,409,950
HODL	VanEck Bitcoin ETF	580,743,133
MSTY	YieldMax MSTR Option Income Strategy ETF	573,536,630
FCTE	SMI 3Fourteen Full-Cycle Trend ETF	532,902,245
BRRR	Coinshares Valkyrie Bitcoin Fund	527,836,635
BITU	ProShares Ultra Bitcoin ETF	446,854,192
FHEQ	Fidelity Hedged Equity ETF	438,217,306
QQQI	NEOS Nasdaq 100 High Income ETF	433,517,468
EZBC	Franklin Bitcoin ETF	394,792,000
FETH	Fidelity Ethereum Fund ETF	392,899,413
FLDB	Fidelity Low Duration Bond ETF	367,127,536
QDTE	Roundhill Innovation-100 ODTE Covered Call Strategy ETF	353,160,799
BTC	Grayscale Bitcoin Mini Trust (BTC)	347,902,800
BTCO	Invesco Galaxy Bitcoin ETF	342,390,408
ETHW	Bitwise Ethereum ETF	314,025,520
YMAX	YieldMax Universe Fund of Option Income ETFs	304,380,023

Source: natergraci



#etf #blacrock #bitcoin #performance

First negative outflow for Blackrock's \$IBIT Bitcoin ETF since May.

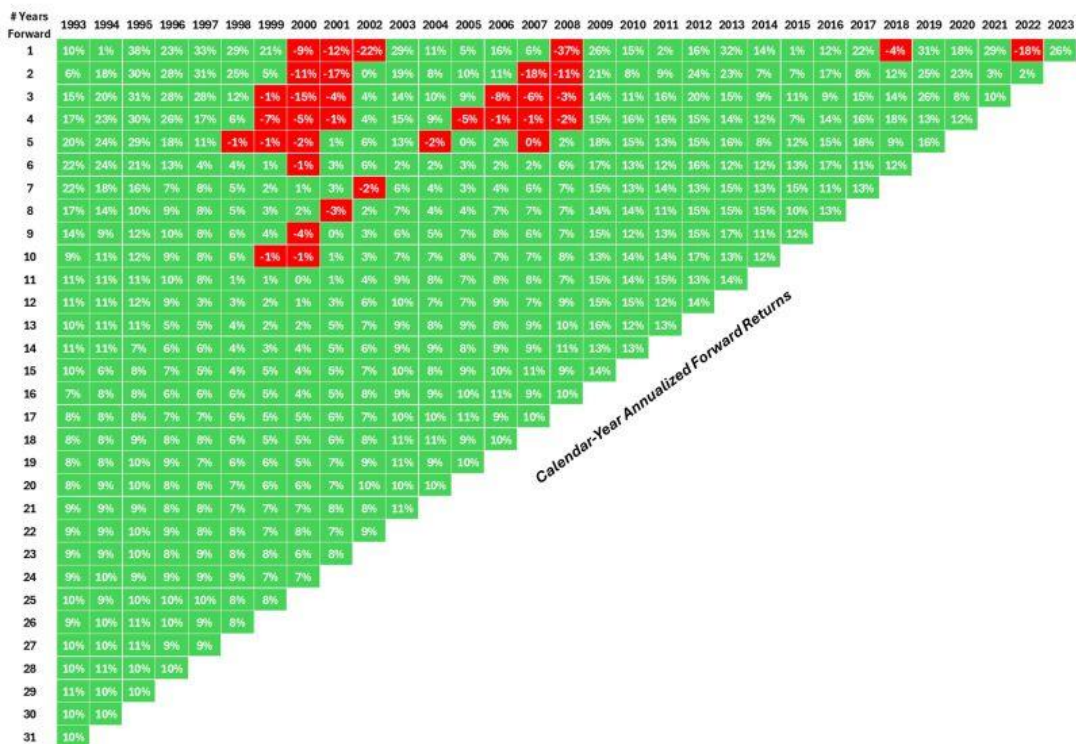


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#sp500 #return #historical

31 Years of Stock Market Returns in one chart offering a different perspective. The past cannot predict the future. However, studying the past can provide a baseline to help set expectations when it comes to risk and a potential range of outcomes. This is how to read this chart: 1) Pick a starting year. 2) Then, go down the number of years and the corresponding square will tell you the annualized return from that starting point. For example, the 9-year annual return starting in 1993 was 14% per year.



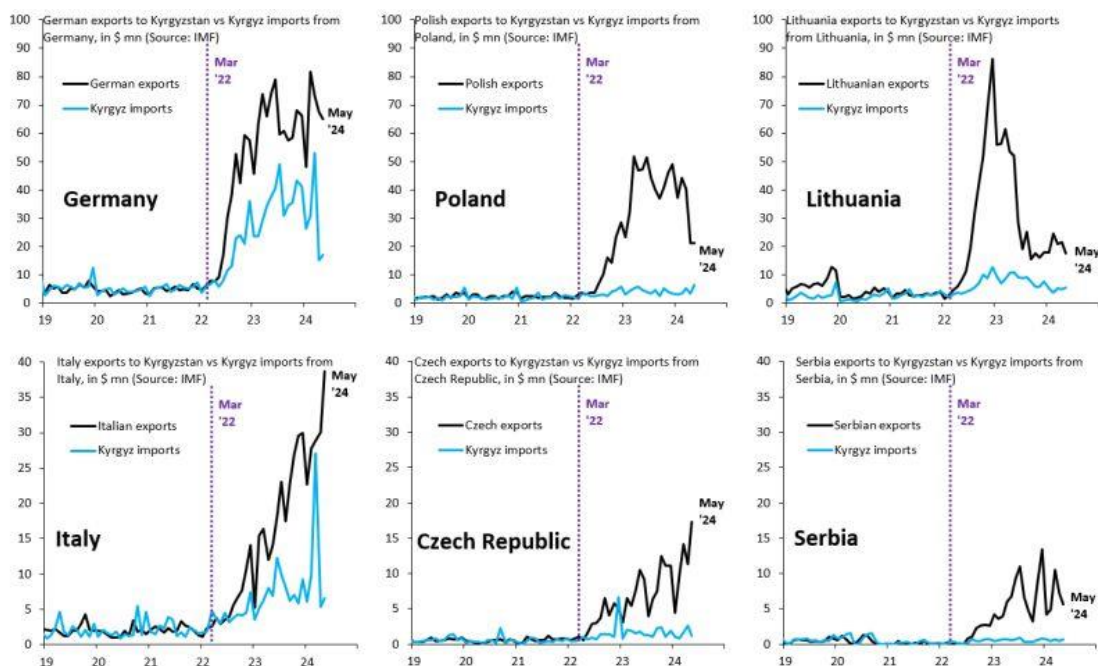
Source: Ben Carlson @awealthofcs



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#russia #kyrgyzstan #export

From the moment Russia invaded Ukraine, Europe was supposed to halt exports to Russia. Instead, many EU countries have been sending flood of exports to Russia that's invoiced to Kyrgyzstan.



Source: Robin Brooks

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#export #partner

This Visual Capitalist graphic shows largest export market for each G20 member, based on share of goods exported; data sourced from @OECtoday as of 2022 Key Takeaways

- U.S. and China are primary export destinations for an equal number of G20 countries (7 each)
- While U.S. is China’s top export market, reverse is not true, with U.S. sending its largest share (16% of its exports) to Canada

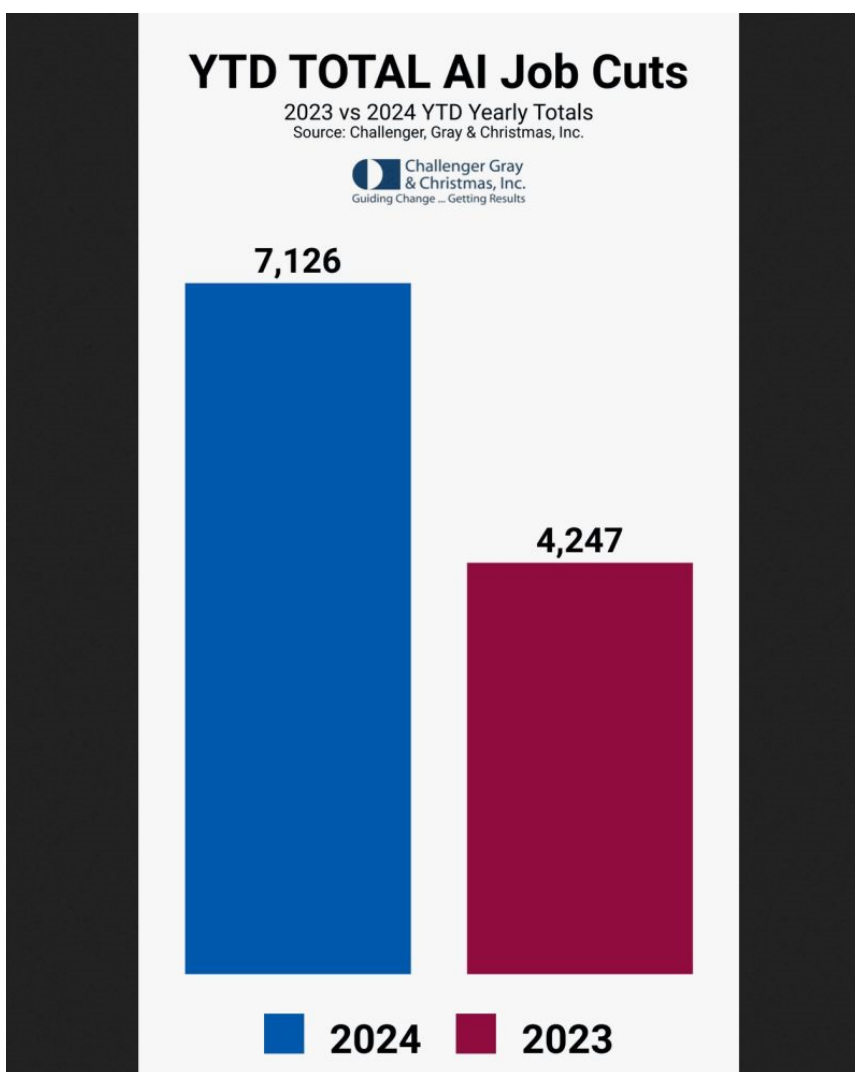


Source: Markets & Mayhem

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#job #ai

An increasing number of job cuts are also being attributed to AI in 2024 vs 2023



Source: Markets & Mayhem

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#ai #nvidia

TIME's new cover: The 100 most influential people in AI. Note that Elon Musk is missing on this cover page while Scarlett Johansson appears nearby the CEO of Nvidia. Indeed, according to TIME, Scarlett Johansson is more influential in AI than Elon Musk...



Source: Ben Carlson @awealthofcs

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#lockheed-martin

Really?



On Friday, Lockheed Martin **\$LMT** was awarded a \$3.4 BILLION contract with the US Army.

Congress members have been loading the boat relentlessly for the last 24 months.

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#nvidia #nancy-pelosi

Beware of some posts on X... E.g there is a debate today about what Nancy Pelosi did on her Nvidia calls before the DOJ subpoena.

The screenshot shows three tweets on X. The top tweet is from Stocktwits (@Stocktwits) with a verified badge, stating: "UPDATE 🚨 Nancy Pelosi has NOT sold any of her \$NVDA position (as of now)". Below the text is a photo of Nancy Pelosi in an orange blazer and a rainbow scarf, standing in front of a large green Nvidia logo on a stone wall. The middle tweet is from Quiver Quantitative (@QuiverQuant) with a verified badge, posted 7 hours ago. It says: "This post is blowing up, but does not appear to be accurate. We have not seen Nancy Pelosi sell any Nvidia stock recently. You can track her recent trades on Quiver." The bottom tweet is from Mike Alfred (@mikealfred) with a verified badge, posted at 5:51 PM on 9/3/24, with 105K views. It reads: "BREAKING: Congresswoman Nancy Pelosi dumped her entire Nvidia position just a day before news of an antitrust investigation. No charges will be filed as everyone knows insider trading is only illegal if you're not a politician." The tweet shows 476 reposts, 84 quotes, 2.7K likes, and 153 bookmarks.

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#buffett #income-statement

Warren Buffett's income statement rules of thumb by Brian Feroldi

WARREN BUFFETT'S
INCOME STATEMENT RULES OF THUMB
 BY BRIAN FEROLDI

METRIC:	EQUATION:	RULE OF THUMB:
Gross Margin	$\frac{\text{Gross Profit}}{\text{Revenue}}$	>40%
SG&A Margin	$\frac{\text{SG\&A}}{\text{Gross Profit}}$	<30%
R&D Margin	$\frac{\text{R\&D}}{\text{Gross Profit}}$	<30%
Depreciation Margin	$\frac{\text{Depreciation}}{\text{Gross Profit}}$	<10%
Interest Margin	$\frac{\text{Interest}}{\text{Operating Income}}$	<15%
Tax Margin	$\frac{\text{Taxes}}{\text{Pre-Tax Income}}$	Corporate Tax Rate
Net Income Margin	$\frac{\text{Net Income}}{\text{Revenue}}$	>20%
EPS Growth	$\frac{\text{Year 2 EPS}}{\text{Year 1 EPS}}$	Positive & Growing

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#templeton #investing

Sir John Templeton has been one of the most successful investors ever. His investing career ranged over half a century. These were the 10 Maxims he invested by:

The 10 Investing Maxims of Sir John Templeton

- 1. Invest For Real Returns**
There are plenty of ways to artificially improve one's own performance.
The easiest way is to choose certain timeframes or exclude certain costs.
The true objective for any long-term investor is the maximum total real return after taxes.
- 2. Keep An Open Mind**
Never fall in love with an investment or asset, and don't categorize.
Stay flexible, open-minded, and skeptical.
The best long-term results are achieved by going for unpopular stocks and researching through alternative methods.
- 3. Never Follow The Crowd**
Making the same decisions and expecting different results is insanity.
Buying the same securities as everyone else and expecting different results falls into that category.
Superior performance always takes a deviation from the norm.
- 4. Everything Changes**
Bear markets have always been temporary. And so have bull markets.
Every stock and every industry that is popular now will be unpopular eventually.
What's unpopular now can be popular tomorrow.
- 5. Avoid The Popular**
It's not only stocks or industries that become popular.
The same goes for valuation techniques.
New business models often bring new "valuation techniques."
Do not get tricked. Stick with unpopular.
- 6. Learn From Your Mistakes**
"This time is different" are among market history's most costly four words.
In the vast majority of cases, it is not different. It's just differently packaged.
Expensive will always be expensive and costly in the long run.
- 7. Buy During Times Of Pessimism**
Bull markets are born on pessimism, grow on skepticism, mature on optimism, and die on euphoria.
The time of maximum pessimism is the best time to buy, and the time of maximum optimism is the best time to sell.
- 8. Hunt For Value And Bargains**
The majority of investors are trend followers. Consequently, they buy into expensive fads.
In the stock market, the only way to get a bargain is to buy what most investors are selling.
- 9. Search Worldwide**
The US stock market is not the only one in the world. There are great companies all over the world.
If you search worldwide, you will find more bargains and better bargains than by studying only one nation.
You also gain the safety of diversification.
- 10. No-one Knows Everything**
An investor who has all the answers doesn't even understand the questions.
You're bombarded with so-called expert opinions in the markets.
While you should always be open to learning, remember that no one knows everything, especially not the future.



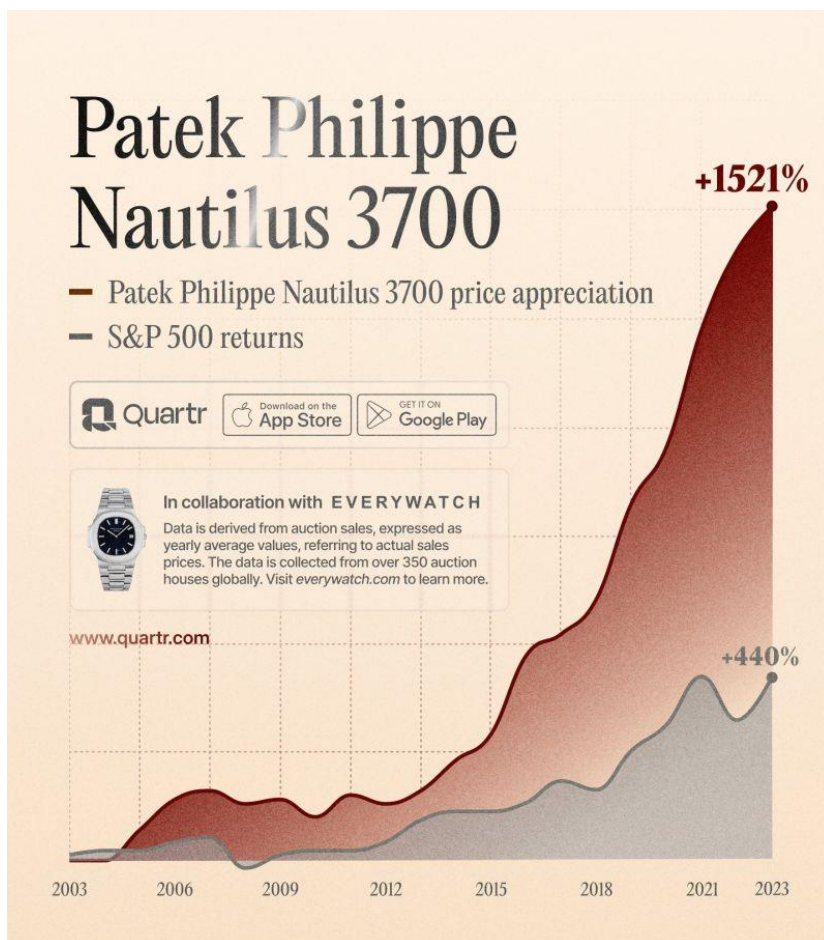
@MnkeDaniel @DanielMnke Get Access to my Stock Research and Portfolio: www.danielmnke.com

Source: @MnkeDaniel on X

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#patek #value

"You never actually own a Patek Philippe, you merely look after it for the next generation." The value of Patek Philippe's iconic Nautilus 3700 has appreciated >1,500% since 2003, outpacing SP500 by a wide margin.



Source: Quartr

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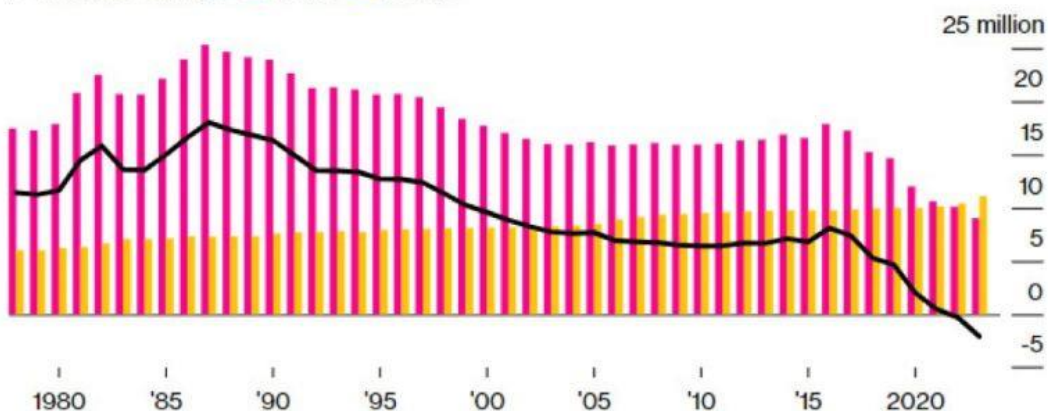
#china #demographics

BREAKING 🚨: China demographics Deaths in China now outnumber births by the largest margin in history after the number of births fell to a record low in 2023!

China's Population Shrinks Faster

Deaths rose while the number of births fell to a record in 2023

📉 Absolute change 🎀 Births 🟡 Deaths



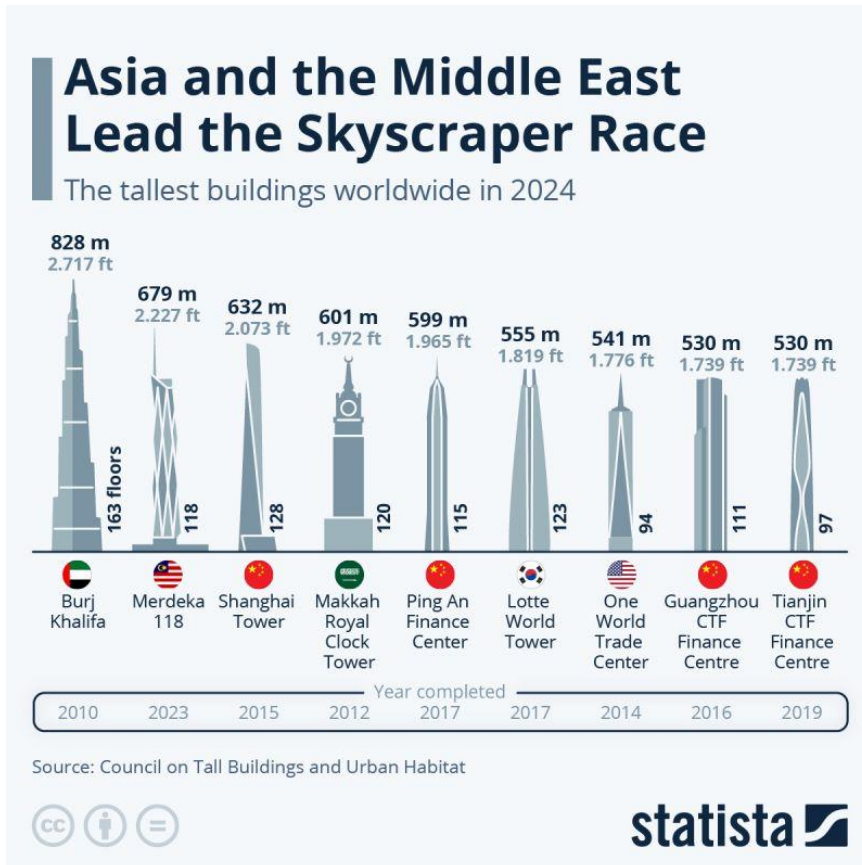
Source: Chinese official data

Source: Barchart, Bloomberg

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#skyscraper

The Skyscraper Race Saudi Arabia is planning to build a two-kilometer-high skyscraper on a site north of the capital city of Riyadh. If completed, it will be the world's highest building. According to architecture and design magazine Dezeen, UK studio Foster + Partners is the primary architecture firm on the proposal. As it stands, the Burj Khalifa is the tallest building worldwide at 828 meters (2,717ft).

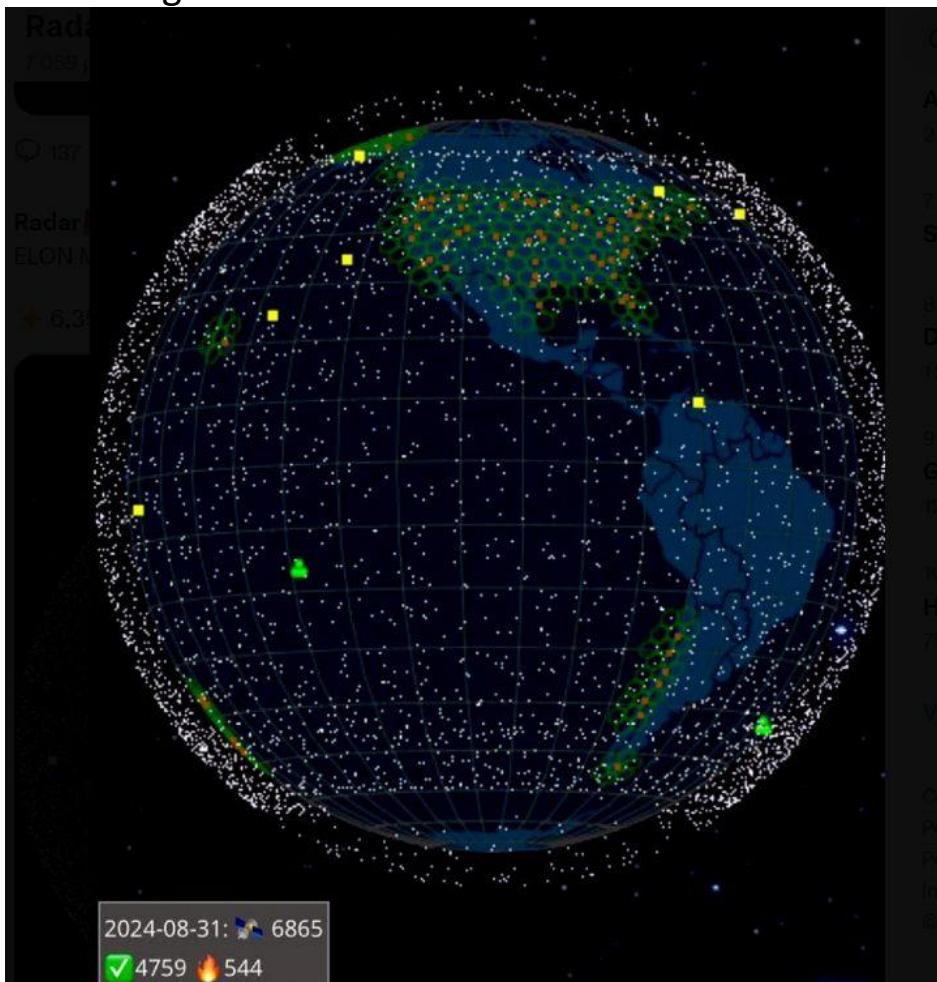


Source: statista

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#starlink

How many Starlink satellites are in orbit? As of August 2024, there are 6,350 Starlink satellites in orbit, of which 6,290 are working, according to Astronomer Jonathan McDowell who tracks the constellation on his website. Elon Musk's Starlink dominates the globe.



Source: space

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#success #da-vinci

Reads with Ravi on X

**“Success lies in
relentless execution
of the basics.”**

— Leonardo da Vinci

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#trust #love



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