Weekly Market Update

The week ending 4 October showed global economic conditions increasingly influenced by easing inflation and persistent growth concerns, prompting central banks to adopt more cautious or easing stances

US

US job growth accelerated in September as non-farm payrolls increased by 254,000, significantly more than expected, helping alleviate concerns about a potential slowdown.

UK

UK mortgage approvals jumped to a two-year high in August, as the housing market continued its recovery.

Europe

Eurozone inflation estimates fell to below 2% for the first time in over three years fuelling expectations that the European Central Bank could pause further rate cuts.

Asia/ROW

Chinese equities surged last week after stimulus announcements, it was Hang Seng's best week since 1998 and CSI 300's since 2008.

Performance

	Currency				
Asset Class/Region		Week ending 04 Oct 2024	Month to date	YTD 2024	12 Months
Property					
US Property Securities	USD	-1.5%	-2.2%	12.3%	33.0%
Australian Property Securities	AUD	0.9%	0.4%	23.5%	45.5%
Asia Property Securities	USD	-1.1%	1.2%	5.9%	16.5%
Global Property Securities	USD	-1.8%	-1.8%	11.6%	31.6%
Currencies					
Euro	USD	-1.7%	-1.7%	-0.9%	4.3%
UK Pound Sterling	USD	-2.0%	-2.1%	2.8%	7.9%
Japanese Yen	USD	-4.3%	-3.9%	-5.4%	0.0%
Australian Dollar	USD	-1.6%	-2.1%	-0.6%	7.4%
South African Rand	USD	-2.3%	-1.6%	4.3%	10.3%
Swiss Franc	USD	-2.0%	-1.7%	-2.3%	6.6%
Chinese Yuan	USD	-0.1%	0.0%	1.2%	4.0%
Commodities & Alternatives					
Commodities	USD	3.2%	3.1%	9.0%	6.0%
Agricultural Commodities	USD	0.2%	-0.3%	5.1%	4.7%
Oil	USD	8.4%	8.8%	1.3%	-9.0%
Gold	USD	-0.2%	0.5%	28.6%	45.7%

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	Currency	Week ending 04 Oct 2024	Month to date	YTD 2024	12 Months	
Developed Market Equities						
United States	USD	0.3%	-0.2%	21.5%	36.3%	
United Kingdom	GBP	-0.3%	0.6%	10.4%	15.9%	
Continental Europe	EUR	-2.1%	-1.1%	9.7%	20.6%	
Japan	JPY	-1.7%	1.8%	16.3%	24.3%	
Asia Pacific (ex Japan)	USD	0.8%	0.6%	20.6%	33.7%	
Australia	AUD	-0.8%	-1.4%	10.7%	22.8%	
Global	USD	-0.7%	-0.6%	18.1%	33.5%	
Emerging markets equities						
Emerging Europe	USD	-6.3%	-4.3%	7.5%	24.1%	
Emerging Asia	USD	1.2%	1.2%	23.1%	34.5%	
Emerging Latin America	USD	-0.4%	0.6%	-12.0%	9.1%	
BRICs	USD	4.1%	2.6%	25.6%	33.5%	
China	USD	11.5%	7.3%	38.8%	37.6%	
MENA countries	USD	-3.5%	-2.6%	-0.7%	6.0%	
South Africa	USD	-3.7%	-1.4%	19.8%	42.0%	
India	USD	-4.8%	-3.4%	15.1%	29.0%	
Global emerging markets	USD	0.4%	0.7%	17.7%	30.4%	
Bonds						
US Treasuries	USD	-1.4%	-1.1%	2.8%	9.5%	
US Treasuries (inflation protected)	USD	-1.0%	-0.9%	4.0%	9.9%	
US Corporate (investment grade)	USD	-1.0%	-0.8%	4.9%	14.4%	
US High Yield	USD	-0.2%	-0.2%	7.8%	17.1%	
UK Gilts	GBP	-0.9%	-0.8%	-1.2%	8.2%	
UK Corporate (investment grade)	GBP	-0.5%	-0.4%	2.1%	12.0%	
Euro Government Bonds	EUR	-0.3%	-0.4%	1.6%	9.7%	
Euro Corporate (investment grade)	EUR	-0.1%	-0.1%	3.7%	10.1%	
Euro High Yield	EUR	0.1%	0.1%	6.8%	13.4%	
Global Government Bonds	USD	-2.0%	-1.8%	1.1%	9.9%	
Global Bonds	USD	-1.7%	-1.5%	2.1%	11.8%	
Global Convertible Bonds	USD	0.0%	0.1%	6.0%	15.7%	
Emerging Market Bonds	USD	-0.5%	-0.6%	7.2%	20.3%	





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