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## Weekly Recap

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### Market Returns

INDEX <sup>1</sup>	CLOSE	WEEKLY CHANGE	YTD CHANGE
Dow Jones Industrial Avg.	44,645.52	-268.13 / -0.60%	18.45%
S&P 500 <sup>®</sup>	6,090.27	57.89 / 0.96%	27.68%
Nasdaq	19,859.77	641.60 / 3.34%	32.30%
Russell 2000 <sup>®</sup>	2,480.99	-25.74 / -1.06%	18.84%

  

	12/06/24 CLOSE	12/06/23 CLOSE
10-Year U.S. Treasury	4.15%	4.12%

Data: Bloomberg, Federal Reserve

### The Bottom Line

Positive earnings reports from several technology companies and jobs data drove both the S&P 500<sup>®</sup> Index and the Nasdaq to record highs on Friday. For the week, the Nasdaq rose 3.34% followed by the S&P 500<sup>®</sup> (0.96%); in contrast, the Dow Jones Industrial Average (-0.60%) and the Russell 2000<sup>®</sup> Index (-1.06%) declined. The yield on the 10-Year U.S. Treasury Note continued to ease, falling 30 basis points in three weeks, to 4.15% from 4.18% last Friday.

Economic reports, including payroll data, support a *not-too-hot* and *not-too cold* sentiment. The addition of 227,000 jobs in November far exceeded the upwardly revised 36,000 job gains in October and the estimate for 214,000. The unemployment rate rose 0.1%, as expected, to 4.2%; wage growth remained steady at 4.0% year-over-year. The ISM manufacturing index rose from 46.5 to 48.4 while remaining in contraction. The ISM services index fell from 56.0, a two+ year high, to 52.1 with many participants sighting cautionary, post-election outlooks. Initial jobless claims rose from 213,000 to 224,000 while continuing claims unexpectedly fell from 1.896 million to 1.871 million.

The results support an 85% likelihood of another Federal Reserve interest rate cut. In comments on Wednesday, Fed Chair Powell commented that the U.S. economy is in a good place, with inflation coming down a great deal and unemployment remaining low. He observed, "We're not quite there on inflation" but noted that the Fed can afford to be a little more cautious in making policy less restrictive over time. Also, in response to speculation relating to the incoming President's talk of tariffs, Chair Powell stressed that the Fed is not prepared to establish policy based on potential tariffs.

Black Friday retail sales rose 3.4% year-over-year with a notable emphasis on online spending. The University of Michigan consumer sentiment rose for the fifth consecutive month, to 74, up from 71.8. Next week's release of November Consumer Price Information (CPI) and Producer Price Information (PPI) data will inform the Fed's upcoming meeting on December 17-18.

<sup>1</sup>The Dow Jones Industrial Average is an unmanaged, price weighted measure of 30 U.S. stocks selected by the Averages Committee to represent the performance of all U.S. stocks outside the Transportation and Utilities sectors. The S&P 500<sup>®</sup> Index is an unmanaged, market capitalization weighted index which measures the performance of the large cap segment of the U.S. equities market, covering approximately 75% of the U.S. equities market. The Index includes 500 leading companies in leading industries of the U.S. economy. The Nasdaq Composite Index is an unmanaged, market capitalization weighted measure of all domestic and international common stocks listed on The Nasdaq Stock Market. The Russell Midcap<sup>®</sup> Index measures the 800 smallest companies within the Russell 1000<sup>®</sup> Index based on a combination of their market cap and current index membership. The Russell 2000<sup>®</sup> Index is an unmanaged, market-weighted measure of stock market performance. It contains stocks of the 2,000 smallest publicly traded companies of the Russell 3000<sup>®</sup> Index. It is not possible to invest in the Indices.

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