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MESSAGE FROM JACK

Corporations Were Big Buyers Of Their Own Stock In 2022

Last year's widespread pessimism among individual investors stood in stark contrast to the outlook among S&P 500 executives, who bought back stock at record levels.



Jack Bowers

These insiders, who have a pretty good idea what their companies are worth, can only be described as bullish. Despite higher borrowing costs, ongoing labor shortages, and recession risks, many came to the conclusion they were sitting on more cash than necessary to sustain operations. Seeing the

potential return on their firms' shares being right up there with other opportunities for deploying capital (automation, paying down debt, acquisitions), this optimistic group didn't hold back.

Stock buybacks are a form of shareholder compensation. Unlike dividends, which compensate shareholders directly, stock buybacks reduce the number of shares outstanding. Other things being equal, buybacks boost earnings per share, as shareholders end up owning a slightly bigger slice of the company. In effect, shareholders are compensated indirectly through stock price appreciation (which isn't taxed until they sell shares).

For the full year 2022, share repurchases were \$923 billion for an increase of 5% over 2021. That compares with \$565 billion for dividends, which also set a record by climbing 4%.

Stock repurchasing activity was widespread in the S&P 500; 318 firms reported buyback activity of at least \$5 million. And the impact was significant, with 19.2%

S&P 500 Dividend Plus Buyback Yield

Share repurchases imply a number of things, including management's view that its shares are trading at a discount.

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MARKET OUTLOOK

Debt Ceiling Could Be Market's Next Big Stress Test

At the risk of offending anyone's political sensibilities or worse, triggering sleepless nights, I am compelled to sidestep the shadowy canyons of Wall Street for the just-as-shadowy halls of Congress and 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue.



John Bonnanzio

This road trip is necessary because I am concerned that last month's bank run (which some have appropriately called "a fast stroll") may not be over. Frankly, my thinking is more based on history than anything quantifiable.

Still, I am left to wonder this: What if the Silicon Valley Bank collapse is the proverbial canary in the coal mine?

Lessons From The Financial Crisis

Though the Bear Stearns collapse was a watershed event in the Financial Crisis, U.S. housing prices started to fall in 2006 and accelerated into 2007. But it was not until March 2008 that Bear Stearns imploded. And another half-year passed before Lehman Brothers followed.

During that pause, the government effectively nationalized Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac, though to no avail: the mortgage-default crisis accelerated.

With Lehman imploding on September 15, the very next day, the Federal Reserve bailed out AIG — the biggest Wall Street firm that Main Street had never heard of — until \$182 billion of taxpayer money effectively bought it. (The GAO claims that taxpayers eventually made some money on the bailout.)

To be very clear, I'm not suggesting that bank balance sheets are similarly stressed today and that an even larger "run" is in the cards. But that's a moot point. If depositors don't feel safe, their money will keep moving regardless of fundamentals. That possibility wasn't lost on the Fed. Indeed, if not for Silicon Valley and other bank failures, the FOMC might have raised rates 50 basis points in March, not the dovish 25 bps it settled upon.

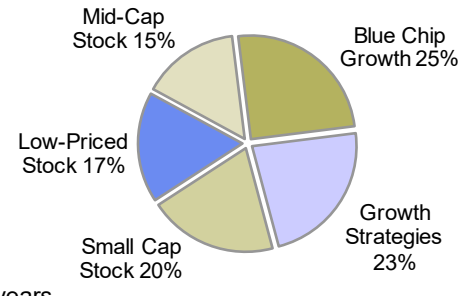
Granted, the latest inflation read shows improvement (the PCE index rose a modest 0.3% in February, versus 0.6% in January), but Chairman Powell and his fellow rate-setters didn't know that two weeks ago.

Market Outlook *cont'd on page 3*

Unique Opportunities Target Risk: 1.20 (Current: 1.08) Foreign Holdings: 11.2% **YTD Return: 7.4%**

Stocks: 97.4% Bonds: 0.0% Cash: 2.6% Alternatives*: 0.0% Yield: 0.2%

Holdings	Ticker	NAV	Shares	Value	Mar Ret
Blue Chip Growth	FBGRX	\$134.45	1,694.34	\$227,804	7.0%
Growth Strategies	FDEGX	50.53	4,136.17	209,001	2.1
Small Cap Stock	FSLCX	14.88	12,216.42	181,780	-4.1
Low-Priced Stock	FLPSX	46.71	3,364.30	157,146	-1.6
Mid-Cap Stock	FMCSX	37.93	3,629.53	137,668	-2.8



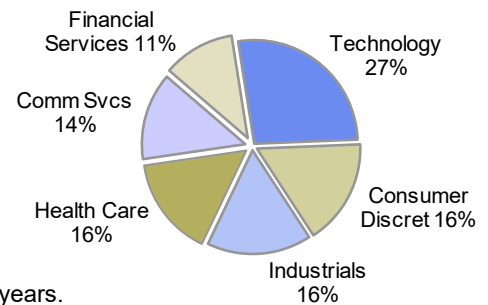
Current Value (3/31/99 = \$100,000) **\$913,399** **0.5%**

For aggressive members who have no need for income or principal for more than 10 years.

Select Target Risk: 1.20 (Current: 1.12) Foreign Holdings: 4.3% **YTD Return: 9.6%**

Stocks: 99.0% Bonds: 0.6% Cash: 0.4% Alternatives*: 0.0% Yield: 1.9%

Holdings	Ticker	NAV	Shares	Value	Mar Ret
Technology	FSPTX	\$22.42	78,626.61	\$1,762,809	9.6%
Consumer Discret	FSCPX	49.05	21,993.42	1,078,777	3.2
Industrials	FCYIX	30.23	35,401.98	1,070,202	-1.2
Health Care	FSPHX	27.78	36,850.59	1,023,709	2.2
Communication Svcs	FBMPX	67.87	13,152.35	892,650	7.9
Financial Services	FIDSX	10.12	72,727.00	735,997	-12.1



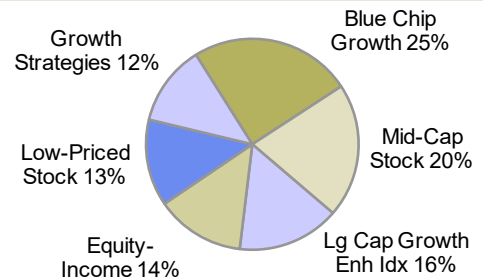
Current Value (12/31/88 = \$100,000) **\$6,564,144** **1.6%**

For aggressive members who have no need for income or principal for more than 10 years.

Growth Target Risk: 1.00 (Current: 1.04) Foreign Holdings: 11.8% **YTD Return: 7.8%**

Stocks: 97.9% Bonds: 0.0% Cash: 2.1% Alternatives*: 0.0% Yield: 0.6%

Holdings	Ticker	NAV	Shares	Value	Mar Ret
Blue Chip Growth	FBGRX	\$134.45	8,472.03	\$1,139,065	7.0%
Mid-Cap Stock	FMCSX	37.93	25,048.77	950,100	-2.8
Lg Cap Growth Enh Idx	FLGEX	25.89	27,834.62	720,638	6.1
Equity-Income	FEQIX	64.08	9,782.50	626,863	0.4
Low-Priced Stock	FLPSX	46.71	13,167.23	615,041	-1.6
Growth Strategies	FDEGX	50.53	11,287.83	570,374	2.1



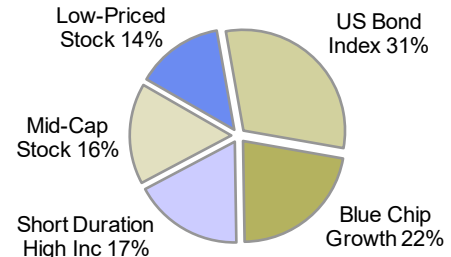
Current Value (12/31/86 = \$100,000) **\$4,622,081** **2.1%**

For moderately aggressive members who want equity-dominated portfolios and have no income needs for at least 10 years.

Growth & Income Target Risk: 0.66 (Current: 0.67) Foreign Holdings: 13.7% **YTD Return: 5.6%**

Stocks: 50.9% Bonds: 31.1% Cash: 1.1% Alternatives*: 16.9% Yield: 2.8%

Holdings	Ticker	NAV	Shares	Value	Mar Ret
US Bond Index	FXNAX	\$10.42	28,819.32	\$300,297	2.5%
Blue Chip Growth	FBGRX	134.45	1,605.61	215,874	7.0
Short Duration High Inc	FSAHX	8.64	19,841.62	171,432	0.8
Mid-Cap Stock	FMCSX	37.93	4,184.12	158,704	-2.8
Low-Priced Stock	FLPSX	46.71	2,917.02	136,254	-1.6



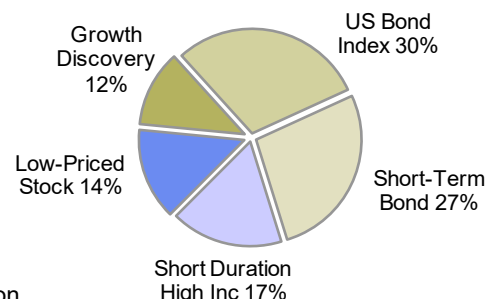
Current Value (12/31/93 = \$100,000) **\$982,560** **1.7%**

A good choice for members retiring in 5-10 years looking for less volatility than the market.

Income Target Risk: 0.33 (Current: 0.39) Foreign Holdings: 17.2% **YTD Return: 3.1%**

Stocks: 25.3% Bonds: 57.4% Cash: 0.6% Alternatives*: 16.7% Yield: 3.7%

Holdings	Ticker	NAV	Shares	Value	Mar Ret
US Bond Index	FXNAX	\$10.42	13,434.07	\$139,983	2.5%
Short-Term Bond	FSHBX	8.29	15,349.91	127,251	1.1
Short Duration High Inc	FSAHX	8.64	9,343.31	80,726	0.8
Low-Priced Stock	FLPSX	46.71	1,420.45	66,349	-1.6
Growth Discovery	FDSVX	44.95	1,231.45	55,353	5.1



Current Value (12/31/91 = \$100,000) **\$469,663** **1.5%**

For members needing income and protection of their purchasing power against inflation.

As for March's outflows from regional banks and brokerage sweep accounts (like Schwab's) into money center banks (as well as Fidelity money market funds — see p. 11), if not for last year's stock and bond market selloff, plus a roster of other concerns, bank deposits would likely be stickier. Then again, perhaps Main Street has learned that where there's smoke there's fire.

Though the "evidence" is anecdotal, hedge funds are closely monitoring money fund flows to identify the winners, and especially the next losers. Bottom line, don't be surprised if more bank shoes drop before the markets face their next big hurdle: the debt ceiling.

Ticking Time Bomb

If recent history is prologue, Republicans and Democrats will once again shut down various federal agencies for a few days (the record is 35), and eventually raise the debt ceiling. No harm, no foul, right?

Without wading into the weeds or taking sides, the country's official debt ceiling has tripled in the past 15 years to \$31.38 trillion. And that has already been surpassed thanks to the Treasury's so-called "extraordinary measures" to meet its bills. (For the record, that's about 22% greater than the nation's GDP.)

Intransigence over more recent debt ceilings have involved political disputes ranging from funding for "Obamacare" to building a wall along the Mexican border. One difference today is not only the pace of deficit spending, but the fact that House Speaker McCarthy owes his job to lawmakers who made spending cuts conditional to their support. Among their demands: a balanced budget in 10 years and freezing

FUNDS YOU SHOULD BUY NOW

Growth: Blue Chip Growth, Growth Company and Large Cap Growth Enhanced Index are aggressive, volatile large-cap options; **Growth Discovery** is somewhat more conservatively positioned resulting in lower risk. **Low-Priced Stock** and **Mid-Cap Stock** have lower market caps and hold companies that are less pricey.

Growth & Income: Equity-Income and **Equity-Dividend Income** hold attractively valued, dividend-producing stocks.

Taxable Bond: Conservative Income Bond is your alternative to a money fund. **Short-Term Bond** holds higher-yielding corporates while limiting interest-rate-risk. For those willing to assume more interest-rate risk consider **Investment Grade Bond**. Finally, **U.S. Bond Index** provides diversified exposure (mostly corporates and government bonds).

High Yield Funds: Short Duration High Income has only limited interest-rate risk, but boosts its yield through lower-rated bonds whose overall credit risk is not substantial (relative to the broader junk bond market)..

Muni Bond Funds: Conservative Income Muni is your tax-free alternative to a muni money market fund. **Limited Term Muni Income** is our preferred nationally-diversified fund for tax-free bond income. ■

spending at pre-pandemic levels. (Tax hikes aren't on the table.)

All this could come to a head in July, with serious consequences. But should a shutdown drag on, the most dire predictions include a default (Treasury downgrade), a bank run, a credit crisis and perhaps a sudden downturn into recession.

I'm not predicting any of this. My broader point is that while last month's mini-bank run appears to have ended, at least one serious risk to the financial markets still looms large. As such, this isn't the time for investors to take on any more risk — in either stocks or bonds. ■

— John Bonnanzio

MODEL PORTFOLIO TRADE

As announced on our Hotline message of Friday, March 24, on Monday, March 27, we made the model portfolio trade below.

Select Model:

We sold our entire position in **Select Biotechnology** [FBIOX] and with the proceeds purchased **Select Health Care** [FSPHX]. It created a 16% stake in that fund.

Trade Rationales: The failure of Silicon Valley Bank could make fund-raising more challenging for smaller biotech firms, so we are moving back to Select Health Care. It's a more diversified portfolio (its biotech weight is 20% versus 92% for Biotech) and may see a greater benefit from stock buybacks and the dollar's weakening trend. Select Biotech has a volatility score that's roughly 30% greater than Select Health Care, and should have significantly outperformed it over the eleven-month holding period in the Select Model. But that's not the way things turned out.

NOTE: In addition to model portfolio trades being announced on Friday Hotlines, they are also posted on our website (click on a model's "Trades" tab). ■

Model Portfolios Key:

*Alternative investments include such areas as high-yield bonds, commodities, real estate; asset allocations and yields are approximate based on most current data available. Portfolio trades and total returns do not take taxes into account. Some percentage figures may not sum to 100 due to rounding. Dividends are reinvested. Consider the tax implications of trades before you decide to buy or sell any fund. Any trades are detailed on p. 3 and are announced on regularly scheduled Friday evening Hotline updates via e-mail and web. **Annuity Model Portfolios** are on p. 10.

FUND COMMENTARY

March Madness And Other Surprises

Once again, March lived up to its reputation for madness.

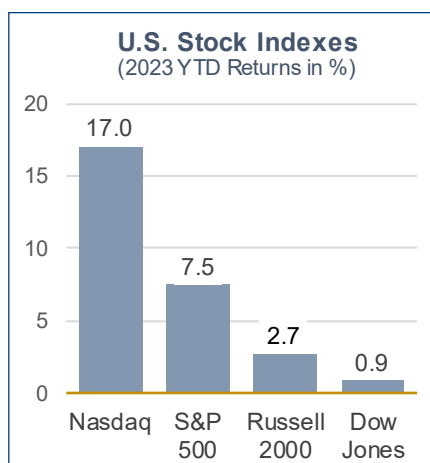
In addition to men’s college basketball destroying everyone’s brackets on day one, the financial markets were every bit as unpredictable — and certainly far less fun to watch.

With the month getting underway without much fuss (and ending that way), the first hint of trouble should have been the FDIC’s report that bank profits slumped last year. Granted, that wasn’t particularly surprising. But what surprised most everyone (including bank regulators) was the sudden collapse of Silicon Valley Bank (SVB). Its demise triggered a mini-run elsewhere, including Signature and First Republic. At about that point, the Treasury, the Federal Reserve and the FDIC each sprang into action.

Waning bank confidence shifted billions of dollars in deposits from small- and regional banks into mega banks. In the few days following SVB’s collapse, Bank of America, JPMorgan Chase and nearly two dozen others saw their deposits swell by over \$100 billion. Their allure: they are periodically stress-tested by the Fed (though rather mysteriously, not for rising interest rates!). Moreover, their sheer size makes them “systemically important financial institutions” (SIFIs). Bottom line: The U.S. government would never allow them to fail.

Market Indexes

For all its troubles (and volatility), March saw most major equity indexes rebound in high fashion. The strongest performer was the tech-rich Nasdaq Composite. Rising more than 3% in the final week of the month, it wound up gaining 6.8% in March and ended the first quarter up an impressive 17.0% (see chart). Ending the period at 12,221.91, the over-the-counter index was last at that level in August 2022.



The S&P 500 also rebounded in March—though somewhat less dramatically. Rising 3.7%, its 27% weight in tech was especially beneficial, though shares of communication services and consumer services also provided the index with a substantial boost. For the quarter, the widely followed index rose 7.5%.

Higher up the market-cap ladder, the blue-chip Dow Jones Industrial Average gained 2.1% in March. However, with dividends reinvested, its total return for the quarter was positive 0.9%.

In contrast to these big-cap gains, shares of small and mid-sized companies struggled under the weight of banking jitters. Sector-wise, local and regional banks have significant representation in the Russell’s small (2000) and Midcap indexes. Outside that arena, “smid-caps” are far more reliant on such banks for credit (see p. 3 Trade box). As such, the Russell 2000 fell 4.8% in March and midcaps declined 1.5%. For the quarter, they rose 2.7% and 4.1%, respectively.

Stock Funds

The average Fidelity stock fund returned 0.8% last month. Weighing down that average were the above-mentioned smid-cap offerings generally, while those with a value orientation were hit especially hard. (Again, their financial exposures weighed most heavily on their performance.) **Small Cap Value Index** was the worst-performing fund (down 7.2%) whereas **Value** (down 5.9%) didn’t fare much better.

On the other hand, large-cap growth funds led the performance chart: **OTC, Trend and Blue Chip Growth** each gained more than 7% for the month, while **Large Cap Growth Index** and **Nasdaq Composite Index** weren’t far behind (they rose 6.9% and 6.8%, respectively). As for other widely held large-cap growth stock funds, **Growth Company** gained 6.8%, **Contrafund** rose 5.9%, **Magellan** advanced 3.8%.

[Fund Commentary cont’d on p. 11](#)

April Scorecard Rating Changes

Mutual Funds	Ticker	Ratings		Comments	
		Old	New		
Global Credit	FGBFX	H	S	↓	U.S. credit markets are healthier and have more upside; Corporate Bond is a better choice.
Macro Opportunities	FAQAX	S	H	↑	Portfolio hedges have been working okay through volatile market conditions.
Puritan	FPURX	B	B	↓	We currently have a slight preference for Balanced whose higher risk is paying off.
Select Biotechnology	FBIOX	B	B	↓	See Model Portfolio Trade box on p. 3.
Select Defense & Aero	FSDAX	H	B	↑	Boeing’s turnaround coupled with greater spending in both subsectors are positives.
Select Semiconductors	FSELX	B	B	↑	Chipmakers have the most to gain as businesses embrace artificial intelligence.
Trend	FTRNX	B	B	↑	Relative to its peers, fund strikes an attractive balance between risk and reward.

B = Buy; B = OK to Buy; H = Hold; S = OK to Sell; S = Sell; N/C = No Change; NR = No Rating (↑) Rating upgraded; (↓) Rating downgraded.

FIDELITY SCORECARD

MARCH 31, 2023

Fund No.	Fund Ticker	Fund Name	\$Price (NAV)	Advice	Total Return (%)			Avg Annual (%)					Rel Vol (Risk) ¹	
					Mar	YTD	3 Mo.	1 Yr	3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr	15 Yr		
Comparative Indexes		S&P 500	4109.3		3.7	7.5	7.5	-7.7	18.6	11.2	12.2	10.1	1.00	
		Nasdaq Composite	12221.9		6.8	17.0	17.0	-13.3	17.6	12.6	15.3	13.1	1.24	
		Dow Jones Industrials	33274.2		2.1	0.9	0.9	-2.0	17.3	9.0	11.1	9.6	0.97	
		Russell 2000 (Small Caps)	1802.5		-4.8	2.7	2.7	-11.6	17.5	4.7	8.0	8.1	1.19	
		Bloomberg Barclays Agg Bond*			2.5	3.1	3.1	-4.8	-2.9	0.9	1.3	2.0	0.33	
Model Portfolios		Unique Opportunities			0.5	7.4	7.4	-9.8	20.6	10.6	11.2	8.9	1.08	
		Select			1.6	9.6	9.6	-6.0	18.4	10.4	12.5	10.2	1.12	
		Growth			2.1	7.8	7.8	-8.9	19.6	10.9	11.4	9.0	1.04	
		Growth & Income			1.7	5.6	5.6	-7.1	12.3	7.4	8.6	7.0	0.67	
		Income			1.5	3.1	3.1	-4.0	5.0	3.3	3.8	4.4	0.39	
											Rel Vol (Risk) ¹	Assets (\$Mil)		
LARGE CAP GROWTH					Average	5.5	12.4	12.4	-11.5	17.8	12.2	13.9	1.17	
312	FBGRX	Blue Chip Growth	134.45	Buy	7.0	19.6	19.6	-15.7	19.3	13.9	15.6	1.41	\$34,541	
307	FDCAX	Capital Appreciation	34.33	Hold	2.9	7.7	7.7	-9.9	19.2	11.2	12.0	1.03	4,879	
22	FCNTX	Contrafund	13.29	Buy	5.9	11.5	11.5	-11.3	15.2	10.2	12.6	1.10	85,075	
3	FFIDX	Fidelity Fund	63.80	Buy	5.7	9.4	9.4	-10.0	16.4	11.3	11.9	1.07	5,393	
333	FTQGX	Focused Stock	24.99	Hold	3.6	5.7	5.7	-13.8	15.4	11.7	12.6	1.09	2,466	
3336	FIFNX	Founders Fund	15.09	Hold	4.0	10.6	10.6	-12.2	17.4	--	--	1.12	60	
25	FDGRX	Growth Company (Closed)	26.26	Buy	6.8	16.7	16.7	-13.3	21.7	14.8	16.9	1.38	34,378	
339	FDSVX	Growth Discovery	44.95	Buy	5.1	10.1	10.1	-10.8	19.3	13.6	14.9	1.10	2,540	
1829	FLGEX	Lrge Cap Growth Enhcd Index	25.89	Buy	6.1	13.0	13.0	-10.6	18.9	12.9	13.8	1.14	2,110	
2826	FSPGX	Lrge Cap Growth Index	23.82	OK to Buy	6.9	14.4	14.4	-10.9	18.5	13.7	--	1.20	11,505	
21	F MAGX	Magellan	11.60	OK to Buy	3.8	8.5	8.5	-10.7	14.3	9.6	12.1	1.14	23,502	
1282	FN CMX	Nasdaq Composite Index	154.38	OK to Buy	6.8	17.1	17.1	-13.1	17.6	12.6	15.2	1.24	10,509	
93	FOCPX	OTC	14.77	OK to Buy	7.7	15.1	15.1	-11.8	18.4	13.4	17.2	1.22	15,250	
320	F DSSX	Stock Selector All Cap	60.20	Hold	2.8	8.2	8.2	-7.7	18.8	9.9	11.7	1.02	1,330	
5	F TRNX	Trend	126.69	Buy↑	7.3	17.7	17.7	-11.2	17.0	12.6	14.1	1.30	2,243	
LARGE CAP BLEND					Average	2.5	6.5	6.5	-5.8	18.7	10.5	11.3	1.00	
2328	F XAIX	500 Index	143.10	OK to Buy	3.7	7.5	7.5	-7.7	18.6	11.2	12.3	1.00	364,992	
315	F DEQX	Disciplined Equity	50.14	Hold	5.5	9.7	9.7	-11.1	15.6	9.6	10.6	1.13	1,408	
330	F DGFY	Dividend Growth	29.62	OK to Buy	1.9	2.0	2.0	-5.7	18.5	7.5	9.4	0.93	5,299	
27	F GRX	Growth & Income	49.95	OK to Buy	0.3	5.0	5.0	-0.8	20.9	10.7	11.0	0.99	7,639	
1827	FLCEX	Lrge Cap Core Enhcd Index	19.04	OK to Buy	3.4	6.6	6.6	-7.6	19.1	11.2	12.1	0.97	1,850	
338	FLCSX	Large Cap Stock	40.03	OK to Buy	0.9	6.5	6.5	-2.0	21.5	10.6	11.5	1.04	2,899	
361	FGR TX	Mega Cap Stock	18.22	OK to Buy	1.9	7.8	7.8	-2.3	22.0	11.9	11.8	1.07	961	
300	F MILX	New Millennium	42.26	OK to Buy	2.3	6.9	6.9	2.8	24.0	10.1	11.0	0.96	2,664	
2361	F SKAX	Total Market Index	113.67	Buy	2.6	7.3	7.3	-8.7	18.3	10.3	11.7	1.02	66,923	
5029	F ULVX	U.S. Low Volatility Equity	10.21	Hold	1.4	0.0	0.0	-6.1	10.6	--	--	0.78	275	
6391	F SEBX	Sustainability U.S. Equity	9.61	Hold	2.7	8.5	8.5	-6.4	--	--	--	--	16	
2941	F ITLX	U.S. Sustainability Index	18.01	OK to Buy	4.0	8.1	8.1	-8.4	18.2	11.4	--	1.01	2,090	
3396	F WOMX	Women's Leadership	13.54	Hold	1.0	7.1	7.1	-5.6	17.7	--	--	1.09	100	
3231	F NILX	Zero Large Cap Index	14.45	OK to Buy	3.7	7.8	7.8	-8.3	18.2	--	--	1.02	5,598	
3227	F ZROX	Zero Total Market Index	14.32	Buy	2.7	7.3	7.3	-8.5	18.6	--	--	1.02	13,151	
LARGE CAP VALUE					Average	-0.8	-0.2	-0.2	-4.6	19.0	7.9	9.2	0.91	
1271	F BCVX	Blue Chip Value	23.26	OK to Buy	-1.0	-3.6	-3.6	-3.4	18.9	6.1	8.3	0.87	769	
319	F EQTX	Equity Dividend Income	25.92	Buy	-1.9	1.2	1.2	-2.3	19.4	8.3	9.1	0.91	5,102	
23	F EQIX	Equity-Income	64.08	Buy	0.4	0.6	0.6	-3.5	17.6	9.2	9.1	0.85	6,426	
1828	FLVEX	Lrge Cap Value Enhcd Index	14.38	OK to Buy	-0.5	0.3	0.3	-6.3	19.2	8.0	9.8	0.92	5,540	
2830	FLCOX	Lrge Cap Value Index	14.95	OK to Buy	-0.5	1.0	1.0	-5.9	17.9	7.5	--	0.93	5,631	
708	F SLVX	Stock Sel Large Cap Value	23.26	OK to Buy	-1.2	1.3	1.3	-4.9	20.3	8.1	9.0	0.98	391	
832	F VDFX	Value Discovery	34.29	OK to Buy	-0.9	-2.4	-2.4	-5.8	19.8	8.0	9.6	0.89	2,846	
MID-CAP GROWTH					Average	1.7	8.7	8.7	-7.3	14.9	9.2	11.1	1.18	
324	F DEGX	Growth Strategies	50.53	Buy	2.1	8.2	8.2	-6.1	14.6	9.2	11.1	1.17	2,736	
3403	F MDGX	Mid Cap Growth Index	23.65	OK to Buy	1.4	9.1	9.1	-8.5	15.1	--	--	1.20	615	
MID-CAP BLEND					Average	-2.6	3.9	3.9	-8.5	20.7	8.0	9.9	1.10	
2365	F SMAX	Extended Market Index	66.72	Buy	-2.9	5.9	5.9	-14.1	17.2	6.1	8.9	1.24	32,175	
2012	F MEIX	Mid Cap Enhanced Index	16.02	OK to Buy	-1.8	3.7	3.7	-6.4	20.5	7.7	10.0	1.05	1,821	
2352	F SMIX	Mid Cap Index	26.97	OK to Buy	-1.5	4.1	4.1	-8.7	19.2	8.1	10.1	1.06	26,507	
337	F MCSX	Mid-Cap Stock	37.93	Buy	-2.8	1.3	1.3	-5.2	23.9	9.8	10.7	0.98	7,057	
2412	F SMX	Stock Selector Mid Cap	37.34	OK to Buy	-2.7	5.2	5.2	-6.5	22.7	8.2	9.6	1.12	355	
3230	F ZIPX	Zero Extended Market Index	10.89	Hold	-3.8	3.5	3.5	-10.3	20.7	--	--	1.13	1,357	

Notes: Fund yields, durations and assets are the most current available. *Fidelity's U.S. Bond Index used as a proxy for the Barclays Aggregate Bond Index. ¹Relative Volatility (Rel Vol) versus the S&P 500 over the last 36 months; 1.50 means the fund has been 50% more volatile. ²Duration is a measure of interest rate sensitivity. ³Stated yield is actual distributed yield over prior 12 months. ⁴Almost a Specialty fund with 30%+ typically in foreign stocks. (p) Partial year; (↑) Rating upgraded; (↓) Rating downgraded.

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Fund No.	Fund Ticker	Fund Name	\$Price (NAV)	Advice	Total Return (%)			Avg Annual (%)				Rel Vol (Risk) ¹	Assets (\$Mil)	
					Mar	YTD	3 Mo.	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	10Year			
MID-CAP VALUE					Average	-4.2	1.4	1.4	-6.9	24.3	8.0	9.2	1.10	
316	FLPSX	Low-Priced Stock ⁵	46.71	Buy	-1.6	1.1	1.1	-2.5	21.7	8.0	9.5	0.93	\$24,771	
762	FSMVX	Mid Cap Value	24.42	OK to Buy	-4.8	2.0	2.0	-7.4	22.2	5.2	8.0	1.11	1,079	
3404	FIMVX	Mid Cap Value Index	23.03	OK to Buy	-3.2	1.3	1.3	-9.3	20.5	--	--	1.04	815	
39	FDVLX	Value	12.66	Hold	-5.9	1.4	1.4	-8.3	29.6	9.2	9.7	1.26	7,588	
14	FSLSX	Value Strategies	47.58	OK to Buy	-5.3	1.3	1.3	-6.8	27.7	9.6	9.4	1.18	599	
SMALL CAP GROWTH					Average	-1.8	6.7	6.7	-9.9	14.6	8.0	12.0	1.21	
1388	FCPGX	Small Cap Growth	25.35	OK to Buy	-1.1	7.1	7.1	-9.6	15.8	8.0	12.0	1.17	2,707	
3405	FECGX	Small Cap Growth Index	21.94	OK to Buy	-2.4	6.2	6.2	-10.3	13.4	--	--	1.25	453	
SMALL CAP BLEND					Average	-4.1	4.1	4.1	-8.4	20.8	6.3	8.4	1.14	
384	FSCRX	Small Cap Discovery	24.17	OK to Buy	-3.4	5.3	5.3	-6.8	26.2	7.3	8.1	1.14	2,931	
2011	FCPEX	Small Cap Enhanced Index	12.42	OK to Buy	-4.4	4.4	4.4	-7.8	21.1	5.6	8.3	1.14	585	
2358	FSSNX	Small Cap Index	22.31	OK to Buy	-4.8	2.8	2.8	-11.4	17.6	4.8	8.2	1.19	20,639	
340	FSLCX	Small Cap Stock	14.88	Buy	-4.1	3.5	3.5	-10.0	18.0	4.9	7.7	1.13	1,252	
336	FDSCX	Stock Selector Small Cap	29.32	OK to Buy	-3.7	4.6	4.6	-6.2	21.1	8.9	9.7	1.12	1,407	
SMALL CAP VALUE					Average	-6.6	0.7	0.7	-11.4	23.5	7.2	8.9	1.19	
1389	FCPVX	Small Cap Value	18.09	OK to Buy	-5.9	1.9	1.9	-10.0	26.0	7.2	8.9	1.19	2,735	
3406	FISVX	Small Cap Value Index	21.31	OK to Buy	-7.2	-0.6	-0.6	-12.9	21.0	--	--	1.20	927	
REAL ESTATE														
1368	FIREX	International Real Estate	10.07	Hold	-2.8	-0.1	-0.1	-21.6	2.6	0.8	3.9	0.87	260	
833	FRIFX	Real Estate Income	11.38	Hold	-1.9	2.1	2.1	-9.7	11.3	4.4	4.8	0.59	1,381	
2355	FSRNX	Real Estate Index	14.80	Hold	-2.1	1.9	1.9	-20.0	9.5	3.7	4.8	1.08	2,473	
303	FRESX	Real Estate Investment	38.49	Hold	-1.5	3.1	3.1	-17.1	10.1	5.7	6.1	1.05	3,027	
ASSET ALLOCATION														
328	FASIX	Asset Manager 20%	13.08	Hold	1.8	3.1	3.1	-3.7	3.4	2.8	3.2	0.35	3,641	
1957	FTANX	Asset Manager 30%	11.14	Hold	2.1	3.9	3.9	-4.6	5.2	3.5	4.2	0.45	1,584	
1958	FFANX	Asset Manager 40%	11.91	Hold	2.2	4.5	4.5	-5.1	6.9	4.3	5.0	0.53	1,508	
314	FASMX	Asset Manager 50%	18.60	Hold	2.4	5.0	5.0	-5.7	8.5	4.8	5.8	0.61	7,296	
1959	FSANX	Asset Manager 60%	13.70	Hold	2.5	5.6	5.6	-6.3	10.2	5.4	6.6	0.70	2,058	
321	FASGX	Asset Manager 70%	23.89	Hold	2.7	6.1	6.1	-6.5	12.0	6.0	7.3	0.77	3,787	
347	FAMRX	Asset Manager 85%	22.10	Hold	2.8	6.9	6.9	-7.2	14.5	6.9	8.5	0.89	1,864	
304	FBALX	Balanced	24.65	Buy	3.4	7.5	7.5	-7.4	13.9	8.7	9.1	0.79	30,148	
3083	FMSDX	Multi-Asset Income	13.13	Hold	0.5	6.2	6.2	-5.8	12.6	9.3	--	0.62	978	
355	FFNOX	Multi-Asset Index	50.26	Hold	2.7	6.8	6.8	-6.7	13.4	7.0	8.3	0.87	7,187	
4	FPURX	Puritan	21.64	OK to Buy	2.6	5.6	5.6	-7.8	12.2	7.9	8.8	0.73	22,361	
6477	FYMRX	Sustainable Multi-Asset	8.81	Hold	3.0	6.4	6.4	-7.6	--	--	--	--	8	
INTERNATIONAL					Average	2.9	7.3	7.3	-5.2	12.2	3.4	5.7	1.05	
309	FICDX	Canada	60.94	OK to Buy	1.2	4.6	4.6	-8.1	20.5	8.4	5.6	0.98	841	
352	FHKCX	China Region	35.09	Hold	3.6	7.2	7.2	-3.5	5.4	2.5	7.4	1.50	1,016	
325	FDIVX	Diversified International	39.72	Hold	3.4	9.0	9.0	-5.6	11.3	4.5	6.0	1.00	7,831	
351	FSEAX	Emerging Asia	37.92	Hold	3.8	7.7	7.7	-6.4	7.6	4.0	6.8	1.40	987	
322	FEMKX	Emerging Markets	34.05	Hold	3.5	8.4	8.4	-8.9	9.3	2.8	5.1	1.10	4,040	
2374	FEDDX	Emerging Mkts Discovery	14.62	Hold	1.0	5.2	5.2	-2.9	17.5	1.5	4.0	0.92	298	
2344	FPADX	Emerging Markets Index	9.83	Hold	3.1	4.2	4.2	-9.8	7.7	-1.2	2.1	0.99	6,139	
5031	FEOPX	Enduring Opportunities	12.39	Buy	2.9	9.5	9.5	-10.6	14.0	--	--	1.10	12	
301	FIEUX	Europe	33.27	Hold	2.4	8.3	8.3	-1.7	11.7	2.8	4.8	1.05	594	
2406	FGILX	Global Equity Income	16.90	Buy	3.1	6.0	6.0	-3.6	16.3	9.0	9.0	0.84	161	
2348	FSGGX	Global ex U.S. Index	13.43	Hold	2.9	7.0	7.0	-4.0	12.0	2.5	4.2	0.93	8,926	
335	FIVFX	International Cap App	23.74	Buy	5.9	13.8	13.8	-3.9	11.5	5.9	7.9	1.11	4,178	
305	FIGRX	International Discovery	42.63	Hold	3.7	7.5	7.5	-7.7	11.2	3.2	5.3	1.01	3,651	
2010	FIENX	International Enhanced Index	10.20	Hold	3.7	9.0	9.0	0.2	13.4	2.7	5.4	0.96	1,499	
1979	FIGFX	International Growth	17.57	Buy	5.0	10.4	10.4	-2.2	11.6	6.3	7.0	1.05	1,329	
2363	FSPSX	International Index	44.73	OK to Buy	3.1	8.6	8.6	-0.2	13.4	3.7	5.2	0.99	39,129	
818	FISMX	International Small Cap	29.00	Hold	1.6	8.5	8.5	-2.9	16.2	2.8	7.4	0.93	1,415	
1504	FSCOX	Int'l Small Cap Opps (Closed)	19.10	Hold	2.0	7.6	7.6	-6.8	11.2	2.8	7.4	1.10	728	
2988	FNIDX	International Sustainability Idx	11.28	Hold	3.3	7.6	7.6	-5.5	10.9	2.4	--	0.96	377	
1597	FIVLX	International Value	8.88	OK to Buy	0.3	5.6	5.6	-1.5	17.1	2.9	3.9	1.05	453	
350	FJPNX	Japan	15.48	Hold	4.5	7.4	7.4	-4.1	9.8	2.4	5.4	0.98	135	
360	FJSCX	Japan Smaller Companies	14.22	Hold	4.5	5.6	5.6	0.4	5.2	-1.1	6.2	0.82	382	
349	FLATX	Latin America	17.53	Hold	-2.7	-1.4	-1.4	-17.6	9.7	-5.2	-4.2	1.44	235	
342	FNORX	Nordic	57.21	OK to Buy	3.2	9.9	9.9	4.2	20.8	9.2	10.0	1.18	309	
94	FOSFX	Overseas	55.70	OK to Buy	3.6	10.2	10.2	-4.8	12.5	4.9	7.2	1.08	6,967	
302	FPBFX	Pacific Basin	30.14	Hold	4.1	10.0	10.0	-2.5	11.1	4.4	8.1	1.06	756	
6468	FSYJX	Sustainable Emerg Mkts Eqty	7.98	Hold	3.8	6.5	6.5	-9.7	--	--	--	--	4	
6462	FSYRX	Sustainable Int'l Equity	8.52	Hold	2.7	7.3	7.3	-7.7	--	--	--	--	5	
2369	FTEMX	Total Emerging Markets	11.31	Hold	1.9	3.5	3.5	-9.3	5.4	-1.6	2.4	0.91	95	
1978	FTIEX	Total International Equity	10.07	OK to Buy	2.3	6.6	6.6	-3.3	14.1	4.7	5.7	0.96	112	
2834	FTIHX	Total International Index	12.50	OK to Buy	2.6	6.7	6.7	-4.7	12.4	2.4	--	0.94	9,406	
318	FWWFX	Worldwide	26.87	OK to Buy	3.3	6.9	6.9	-10.9	14.2	8.2	9.5	1.03	1,942	
3228	FZILX	Zero International Index	10.50	OK to Buy	2.8	7.0	7.0	-4.2	12.3	--	--	0.94	3,109	

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					Mar	YTD	3 Mo.	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	10Year			
SPECIALTY														
6385	FCAEX	Climate Action	8.99	Hold	3.1	8.1	8.1	-9.7	--	--	--	--	\$19	
308	FCVSX	Convertible Securities	30.96	OK to Buy	-0.7	4.0	4.0	-8.8	16.2	11.8	8.8	0.86	1,530	
2120	FFGCX	Global Commodity Stock	18.22	OK to Sell	-2.4	-5.4	-5.4	-12.2	31.3	9.7	4.6	1.29	808	
6553	FAPHX	Healthy Future Fund	10.35	OK to Buy	4.8	8.5p	8.5	--	--	--	--	--	3	
6875	FEQHX	Hedged Equity	9.91	OK to Sell	2.5	4.3p	4.3	--	--	--	--	--	46	
3488	FNSTX	Infrastructure Fund	12.03	OK to Sell	3.3	5.0	5.0	-6.6	11.6	--	--	0.85	51	
122	FLVCX	Leveraged Company Stock	33.49	Hold	-0.2	7.3	7.3	-10.8	23.8	8.5	8.8	1.23	1,795	
6519	FAQAX	Macro Opportunities	9.79	Hold	4.8	2.7p	2.7	--	--	--	--	--	3	
6513	FAPSX	Risk Parity	9.08	Hold	2.1	3.5p	3.5	--	--	--	--	--	2	
1329	FSDIX	Strategic Dividend & Income	15.69	OK to Buy	-0.1	2.1	2.1	-5.7	13.7	8.0	8.2	0.73	3,018	
1505	FSRRX	Strategic Real Return	8.46	Hold	0.0	0.7	0.7	-6.9	11.0	4.6	2.4	0.48	350	
311	FIUIX	Telecom & Utilities	27.20	Hold	3.9	-1.1	-1.1	-1.6	11.1	7.8	8.2	0.80	908	
DISRUPTOR/MEGATREND FUNDS					Average		2.7	9.5	9.5	-11.8				
6041	FARMX	Agricultural Productivity	20.46	Hold	-3.0	-2.7	-2.7	-7.3	--	--	--	--	125	
6036	FBOTX	Disruptive Automation	16.22	OK to Buy	6.7	18.7	18.7	-4.9	--	--	--	--	17	
6037	FNETX	Disruptive Communications	11.91	OK to Buy	8.0	20.4	20.4	-15.4	--	--	--	--	4	
6038	FNTEX	Disruptive Finance	13.04	Hold	-8.2	-2.6	-2.6	-20.3	--	--	--	--	6	
6039	FMEDX	Disruptive Medicine	10.99	OK to Buy	2.6	1.9	1.9	-7.7	--	--	--	--	5	
6040	FTEKX	Disruptive Technology	12.17	OK to Buy	9.4	22.4	22.4	-20.0	--	--	--	--	23	
6043	FGDFX	Disruptors	13.30	OK to Buy	3.8	12.1	12.1	-13.1	--	--	--	--	21	
6042	FLOWX	Water Sustainability	14.30	OK to Buy	2.1	5.5	5.5	-5.9	--	--	--	--	88	
SELECT PORTFOLIOS					Average		1.0	6.2	6.2	-6.6	19.7	9.1	10.7	1.25
502	FSAVX	Automotive	46.64	Hold	1.4	15.9	15.9	-13.4	27.6	11.6	10.7	1.49	106	
507	FSRBX	Banking	20.96	OK to Buy	-20.1	-14.5	-14.5	-23.6	17.1	0.0	7.0	1.42	430	
42	FBIOX	Biotechnology	15.63	OK to Buy	-2.1	-4.0	-4.0	-3.4	4.7	2.9	9.4	1.18	4,971	
68	FSLBX	Brokerage & Investment	108.06	OK to Buy	-6.1	1.2	1.2	-9.6	22.0	9.6	10.9	1.27	813	
69	FSCHX	Chemicals	15.13	Hold	-1.9	3.8	3.8	-5.1	25.1	4.6	8.3	1.19	678	
503	FBMPX	Communication Services	67.87	Buy	7.9	21.2	21.2	-14.4	12.1	9.4	9.7	1.29	711	
511	FSHOX	Construction & Housing	86.99	OK to Buy	-1.7	5.1	5.1	1.0	29.3	15.4	13.2	1.20	499	
517	FSCPX	Consumer Discretionary	49.05	Buy	3.2	15.6	15.6	-14.5	15.8	8.3	11.1	1.39	425	
9	FDFAX	Consumer Staples	95.86	Hold	3.7	1.8	1.8	3.9	15.8	8.8	7.7	0.85	863	
67	FSDAX	Defense & Aerospace	16.03	OK to Buy	0.8	3.1	3.1	2.9	16.5	4.4	11.5	1.18	1,574	
60	FSENX	Energy	53.93	OK to Sell	-1.8	-3.9	-3.9	11.7	51.0	7.3	3.2	1.94	2,847	
516	FSLEX	Environment & Alt Energy	28.73	OK to Buy	3.2	9.6	9.6	-11.8	20.2	7.4	9.9	1.23	473	
66	FIDSX	Financial Services	10.12	Buy	-12.1	-5.8	-5.8	-12.5	21.4	5.8	9.6	1.22	731	
98	FSVLX	FinTech	13.84	Hold	0.8	8.5	8.5	-14.1	17.5	3.1	7.0	1.31	108	
41	FSAGX	Gold	25.04	Sell	14.4	11.6	11.6	-16.8	10.7	7.1	-0.9	2.00	1,229	
63	FSPHX	Health Care	27.78	Buy	2.2	0.6	0.6	-3.9	11.0	10.3	13.9	0.92	8,157	
505	FSHCX	Health Care Services	122.57	OK to Buy	-1.8	-7.1	-7.1	-8.2	15.4	12.4	14.1	0.99	1,709	
515	FCYIX	Industrials	30.23	Buy	-1.2	2.6	2.6	-2.1	19.0	5.8	8.8	1.08	454	
45	FSPCX	Insurance	71.41	OK to Buy	-5.3	-3.6	-3.6	-2.7	23.7	9.7	11.6	0.97	475	
353	FBSOX	IT Services	56.14	OK to Buy	1.8	6.8	6.8	-11.1	6.9	7.4	13.2	1.30	2,087	
62	FDSLX	Leisure	16.28	OK to Buy	2.7	13.4	13.4	1.4	27.1	10.8	12.3	1.33	564	
509	FSDPX	Materials	98.63	Hold	-2.0	3.5	3.5	-7.1	26.6	6.4	6.7	1.19	604	
354	FSMEX	Medical Tech & Devices	64.67	OK to Buy	4.9	5.0	5.0	-9.5	14.1	12.8	16.1	1.11	6,926	
514	FNARX	Natural Resources	39.45	OK to Sell	-1.3	1.5	1.5	8.2	45.1	8.8	3.3	1.68	807	
580	FPHAX	Pharmaceuticals	22.71	OK to Buy	4.3	-0.3	-0.3	0.8	11.6	11.2	10.5	0.75	761	
46	FSRPX	Retailing	17.00	Hold	1.5	7.0	7.0	-12.2	16.1	10.1	14.7	1.30	2,776	
8	FSELX	Semiconductors	20.29	Buy	9.3	38.9	38.9	2.3	37.2	23.5	25.1	1.81	7,754	
28	FSCSX	Software & IT Services	22.82	OK to Buy	8.6	16.0	16.0	-8.7	16.3	14.4	17.8	1.19	8,678	
7	FDCPX	Tech Hardware	81.80	OK to Buy	7.1	14.7	14.7	-8.2	20.2	13.7	13.4	1.15	718	
64	FSPTX	Technology	22.42	Buy	9.6	25.7	25.7	-9.8	21.4	15.6	18.5	1.39	8,638	
96	FSTCX	Telecommunications	46.35	Hold	-1.3	4.4	4.4	-10.1	3.4	3.7	5.6	0.97	172	
512	FSRFX	Transportation	95.42	Hold	-1.6	6.0	6.0	-7.8	24.4	8.6	11.7	1.17	587	
65	FSUTX	Utilities	102.21	OK to Sell	5.0	-3.2	-3.2	-3.9	13.6	9.6	9.5	0.89	1,354	
963	FWRLX	Wireless	10.53	Hold	3.5	11.0	11.0	-13.6	11.2	9.7	10.0	1.06	302	
SECTOR ETFs					Average		1.3	4.6	4.6	-7.4	19.7	9.3	1.18	
	FCOM	MSCI Communication Services	36.60	OK to Buy	6.7	18.1	18.1	-18.7	9.0	6.3	--	1.24	517	
	FDIS	MSCI Consumer Discretionary	65.48	Buy	2.5	15.8	15.8	-16.4	21.1	11.6	--	1.46	1,030	
	FSTA	MSCI Consumer Staples	45.15	Hold	3.9	1.4	1.4	0.8	14.5	10.1	--	0.77	1,100	
	FENY	MSCI Energy	22.44	OK to Sell	-1.2	-5.0	-5.0	11.4	50.1	8.4	--	1.99	1,590	
	FNCL	MSCI Financials	45.10	Buy	-10.4	-5.3	-5.3	-14.7	17.9	4.7	--	1.17	1,540	
	FHLC	MSCI Health Care	61.47	OK to Buy	1.8	-3.6	-3.6	-5.1	14.2	10.8	--	0.85	2,980	
	FIDU	MSCI Industrials	52.89	Buy	-0.1	4.7	4.7	-0.1	21.9	8.7	--	1.09	725	
	FTEC	MSCI Information Technology	113.95	Buy	9.7	20.8	20.8	-6.6	23.0	18.2	--	1.29	5,550	
	FMAT	MSCI Materials	45.59	Hold	-1.5	4.9	4.9	-6.3	25.3	8.8	--	1.20	456	
	FREL	MSCI Real Estate	24.91	Hold	-2.0	1.8	1.8	-20.1	9.8	5.7	--	1.06	1,460	
	FUTY	MSCI Utilities	43.82	OK to Sell	4.5	-3.1	-3.1	-5.9	10.1	9.1	--	0.91	2,130	

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Fund No.	Fund Ticker	Fund Name	\$Price (NAV)	Advice	Total Return (%)			Avg Annual (%)				SEC %Yield	Dur ² (Yrs)	Rel Vol (Risk) ¹	
					Mar	YTD	3 Mo.	1 Yr	3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr				
TAXABLE BOND					Average	1.9	2.7	2.7	-4.3	-2.0	1.0	1.2	4.30	5.1	0.29
2267	FCONX	Conservative Income Bond	10.01	Buy	0.3	1.3	1.3	2.7	1.5	1.5	1.1	4.79	0.3	0.05	
2208	FCBFX	Corporate Bond	10.32	OK to Buy	2.1	3.5	3.5	-6.3	-0.5	1.5	2.3	5.26	7.0	0.47	
6379	FFBFX	Environmental Bond	8.52	OK to Buy	2.0	3.1	3.1	-5.8	--	--	--	3.88	--	--	
2423	FGBFX	Global Credit	7.40	OK to Sell	-1.9	0.8	0.8	-13.2	-2.4	-0.2	0.2	5.57	6.5	0.48	
15	FGMNX	GNMA (Ginnie Mae)	10.27	Hold	2.2	2.7	2.7	-4.7	-2.8	0.2	0.8	3.48	5.2	0.31	
54	FGOVX	Government Income	9.35	OK to Buy	2.7	3.0	3.0	-5.0	-4.2	0.4	0.7	3.55	6.1	0.30	
2418	FIPDX	Inflation-Protected Index	9.33	OK to Sell	2.9	3.4	3.4	-6.2	1.6	2.9	1.4	0.00	6.7	0.37	
32	FTHRFX	Intermediate Bond	10.03	OK to Buy	1.9	2.4	2.4	-2.0	-0.5	1.5	1.4	4.47	3.8	0.23	
452	FSTGX	Intermediate Gov't Income	9.75	OK to Buy	2.6	2.3	2.3	-2.0	-2.8	0.7	0.6	3.65	3.8	0.20	
3045	FUAMX	Intermediate Treasury Index	9.86	OK to Buy	3.4	3.4	3.4	-4.0	-4.3	1.1	1.0	3.72	6.2	0.33	
4506	FBIIX	International Bond Index	9.04	Hold	2.0	2.6	2.6	-4.1	-2.0	--	--	3.17	6.9	0.25	
26	FBNDX	Investment Grade Bond	7.24	Buy	2.3	3.4	3.4	-5.0	-1.4	1.6	1.8	4.74	6.2	0.34	
2622	FJRLX	Limited Term Bond	10.94	Buy	1.2	1.8	1.8	-0.5	0.3	1.4	1.3	4.70	2.5	0.17	
662	FFXSX	Limited Term Government	9.51	OK to Buy	2.1	1.9	1.9	-1.0	-1.9	0.6	0.5	3.87	2.7	0.15	
3047	FNBGX	Long-Term Treasury Index	10.75	Hold	4.7	6.8	6.8	-16.1	-11.6	-0.3	1.4	3.87	16.0	0.72	
40	FMSFX	Mortgage Securities	9.97	Hold	2.0	2.4	2.4	-5.1	-3.1	0.2	1.0	3.42	6.0	0.33	
450	FSHBX	Short-Term Bond	8.29	Buy	1.1	1.5	1.5	0.4	0.3	1.3	1.1	4.46	1.7	0.11	
3041	FNSOX	Short-Term Bond Index	9.61	OK to Buy	1.8	1.9	1.9	-0.4	-0.9	1.2	--	4.50	2.5	0.15	
3049	FUMBX	Short-Term Treasury Index	10.01	OK to Buy	2.1	2.0	2.0	-0.3	-1.5	1.1	0.8	4.23	2.5	0.14	
3086	FNDSX	Sustainability Bond Index	9.33	OK to Buy	2.4	3.0	3.0	-4.9	-3.1	--	--	4.06	6.0	0.32	
6541	FIAEX	Sustainable Core Plus Bond	9.34	OK to Buy	2.1	3.3p	3.3	--	--	--	--	4.53	5.9	--	
6526	FAPGX	Sustainable Low Dur Bond	10.04	Hold	0.4	1.1p	1.1	--	--	--	--	4.63	0.5	--	
6502	FBAGX	Tactical Bond	8.97	Hold	1.7	3.6	3.6	-4.6	--	--	--	5.19	6.1	--	
820	FTBFX	Total Bond	9.54	Buy	1.8	3.3	3.3	-4.9	-0.4	1.6	2.1	5.32	5.9	0.34	
2326	FXNAX	U.S. Bond Index	10.42	Buy	2.5	3.1	3.1	-4.8	-2.9	0.9	1.3	4.12	6.1	0.33	
HIGH-YIELD BOND					Average	0.9	2.9	2.9	-3.0	5.2	2.1	3.3	7.23	3.6	0.44
38	FAGIX	Capital & Income	9.24	Hold	0.9	3.7	3.7	-2.7	11.5	5.2	5.8	6.86	3.6	0.56	
814	FFRHX	Floating Rate High Income	9.08	OK to Buy	0.1	3.1	3.1	2.7	8.3	3.4	3.4	8.97	0.2	0.25	
1366	FHIFX	Focused High Income	7.76	OK to Buy	1.9	3.3	3.3	-2.9	3.0	2.4	3.1	6.41	4.3	0.45	
2297	FGHNX	Global High Income	8.30	OK to Buy	0.4	2.6	2.6	-3.5	5.8	1.7	3.3	7.35	3.5	0.48	
455	SPHIX	High Income	7.39	Hold	0.7	2.8	2.8	-5.7	3.7	1.6	3.1	8.14	4.1	0.47	
331	FNMIX	New Markets Income	11.54	OK to Buy	0.5	1.5	1.5	-6.8	1.1	-1.7	1.3	6.97	6.5	0.58	
2580	FSAHX	Short Duration High Income	8.64	Buy	0.8	2.7	2.7	-1.5	4.3	2.3	--	7.57	2.4	0.31	
3082	FADMX	Strategic Income	11.11	OK to Buy	1.5	3.1	3.1	-3.8	3.8	2.1	2.9	5.60	4.4	0.38	
MUNICIPAL BOND					Average	1.9	2.4	2.4	-0.3	0.1	1.7	2.1	3.11	5.8	0.30
434	FSAZX	Arizona Muni Income	11.35	OK to Buy	2.0	2.4	2.4	-0.6	-0.1	1.6	2.2	3.01	6.5	0.31	
1534	FCSTX	Calif Limited Term Tax Free	10.27	Buy	1.6	1.5	1.5	1.1	0.3	1.1	1.2	2.63	2.8	0.19	
91	FCTFX	California Muni Income	12.10	OK to Buy	2.1	2.8	2.8	0.0	0.2	1.8	2.4	3.14	6.8	0.33	
407	FICNX	Connecticut Muni Income	10.87	OK to Buy	2.1	2.5	2.5	-0.3	0.2	2.0	2.1	2.77	5.8	0.32	
2578	FCRDY	Conservative Income Muni	10.00	Buy	0.5	0.9	0.9	1.7	0.7	1.0	--	3.07	0.5	0.04	
36	FLTMX	Interm Municipal Income	10.08	OK to Buy	1.9	2.4	2.4	1.1	0.9	2.0	2.0	3.07	4.6	0.26	
404	FSTFX	Limited Term Muni Income	10.25	Buy	1.4	1.4	1.4	0.8	0.5	1.2	1.1	2.97	2.5	0.18	
429	SMDMX	Maryland Muni Income	10.66	OK to Buy	1.9	2.4	2.4	-0.8	-0.2	1.5	2.0	2.98	6.6	0.33	
70	FDMMX	Mass Muni Income	11.32	OK to Buy	1.8	2.2	2.2	-1.1	-0.3	1.4	2.0	3.01	7.1	0.32	
81	FMHTX	Michigan Muni Income	11.39	OK to Buy	1.8	2.2	2.2	-1.5	-0.3	1.7	2.1	3.19	6.5	0.31	
82	FIMIX	Minnesota Muni Income	11.04	OK to Buy	1.8	2.0	2.0	-0.3	-0.1	1.7	1.9	2.89	6.0	0.29	
3469	FMBIX	Municipal Bond Index	18.48	OK to Buy	2.4	2.7	2.7	-0.9	-0.7	--	--	3.28	6.6	0.35	
7330	FMBAX	Municipal Core Plus	10.12	Buy	1.8	--	--	--	--	--	--	3.26	--	--	
37	FHIGX	Municipal Income	12.15	OK to Buy	2.2	3.1	3.1	-0.8	0.4	2.1	2.5	3.45	7.4	0.38	
416	FNJHX	New Jersey Muni Income	11.44	OK to Buy	2.3	3.4	3.4	0.5	1.1	2.4	2.5	2.99	6.7	0.37	
71	FTFMX	New York Muni Income	12.21	OK to Buy	2.2	3.2	3.2	-0.6	-0.1	1.7	2.2	3.37	8.0	0.38	
88	FOHFX	Ohio Muni Income	11.34	OK to Buy	1.8	2.4	2.4	-0.6	-0.1	1.6	2.3	3.15	6.6	0.32	
402	FPXTX	Pennsylvania Muni Income	10.40	OK to Buy	2.0	2.4	2.4	-1.8	-0.3	1.7	2.3	3.36	7.2	0.34	
6532	FSIKX	Sustainable Intermed Muni	10.09	OK to Buy	2.0	2.4p	2.4	--	--	--	--	2.98	5.0	--	
90	FTABX	Tax-Free Bond	10.88	OK to Buy	2.2	3.2	3.2	-0.7	0.6	2.1	2.6	3.64	7.3	0.38	

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TAXABLE GOV'T MONEY MARKETS		Total Return (%)		SEC %Yield	
		Mar	YTD	%Yield	
55	FDRXX	Gov't Cash Reserves	0.37	1.03	4.51
458	SPAXX	Government MM	0.37	1.02	4.48
2742	FZFXX	Treasury MM	0.36	1.02	4.46
415	FDLXX	Treasury Only MM (closed)	0.36	1.00	4.21
PRIME MONEY MARKETS					
454	SPRXX	Money Market	0.37	1.06	4.54
NOTE: SPRXX is available in premium class shares (ticker: FZDXX) with a \$100,000 minimum investment (\$10,000 for certain Fidelity retirement accounts and lower expenses).					

NATIONAL MUNICIPAL MONEY MKTS			Total Return (%)		SEC %Yield
			Mar	YTD	%Yield
10	FTEXX	Municipal Money Market	0.24	0.65	3.82
275	FMOXX	Tax-Exempt MM	0.23	0.62	3.76
STATE MUNICIPAL MONEY MARKETS					
433	FSAXX	Arizona Muni MM ¹	0.22	0.14	--
457	FSPXX	California Muni MM ²	0.22	0.59	3.38
418	FCMXX	Connecticut Muni MM ¹	0.30	0.15	--
426	FMSXX	Massachusetts Muni MM ²	0.23	0.61	3.44
420	FMIXX	Michigan Muni MM ¹	0.21	0.15	--
423	FSJXX	New Jersey Muni MM ²	0.22	0.60	3.49
422	FSNXX	New York Muni MM ²	0.24	0.64	3.76
419	FOMXX	Ohio Muni MM ¹	0.21	0.15	--
401	FPTXX	Pennsylvania Muni MM ¹	0.22	0.15	--

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						Mar	YTD	3 Mo.	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	10 Year	
FIDELITY PERSONAL RETIREMENT ANNUITY PORTFOLIOS													
Model Portfolios	Annuity Sector Model					2.4	10.4	10.4	-5.4	19.1	10.7	12.8	1.11
	Annuity Growth Model					0.7	6.1	6.1	-10.1	19.4	10.7	11.0	1.06
	Annuity Growth & Income Model					1.5	4.6	4.6	-7.6	11.6	7.2	7.5	0.70
	Annuity Income Model					1.7	3.5	3.5	-5.2	5.0	3.5	3.6	0.44
9067	FLRQC	Fid VIP Asset Manager	Allocation	25.07	Hold	2.4	4.9	4.9	-6.0	8.2	4.5	5.4	0.61
9066	FAEEC	Fid VIP Asset Manager: Growth	Allocation	27.86	Hold	2.6	6.0	6.0	-6.8	11.7	5.7	6.8	0.77
9069	FJBAC	Fid VIP Balanced	Allocation	36.25	Buy	3.4	7.4	7.4	-7.6	13.5	8.4	8.7	0.79
9461	FBIQC	Fid VIP Bond Index	Bond	10.30	Buy	2.5	3.0	3.0	-5.2	-3.4	--	--	0.33
9173	FVTAC	Fid VIP Communication Services	Sector	24.27	Buy	8.0	21.2	21.2	-14.3	11.9	9.3	8.2	1.29
9081	FVHAC	Fid VIP Consumer Discretionary	Sector	45.35	Buy	3.3	15.6	15.6	-14.8	15.8	8.2	10.8	1.38
9171	FCSAC	Fid VIP Consumer Staples	Sector	38.02	Hold	3.7	1.8	1.8	3.6	15.0	8.4	8.5	0.85
9065	FPDFC	Fid VIP Contrafund	Large Growth	44.34	Buy	5.3	9.4	9.4	-11.0	15.2	10.2	11.1	1.07
9148	FPRGC	Fid VIP Disciplined Small Cap	Small Blend	27.53	OK to Buy	-4.4	4.3	4.3	-8.0	20.7	5.3	7.8	1.14
9074	FZAMC	Fid VIP Dynamic Capital App	Large Growth	49.58	Hold	2.9	7.6	7.6	-10.0	19.0	11.0	11.8	1.02
9198	FEMAC	Fid VIP Emerging Markets	Emg Mkts	12.97	Hold	2.7	4.0	4.0	-5.1	10.4	2.1	4.5	1.12
9085	FJLLC	Fid VIP Energy	Sector	21.75	OK to Sell	-1.8	-4.0	-4.0	11.8	50.6	7.0	3.0	1.93
9061	FLOLC	Fid VIP Equity-Income	Large Value	31.90	Buy	0.4	0.5	0.5	-3.7	17.4	8.9	8.7	0.85
9469	FEMJC	Fid VIP Extended Market Index	Mid Blend	12.56	Buy	-3.8	3.4	3.4	-10.6	20.2	--	--	1.13
9083	FONNC	Fid VIP Financial Services	Sector	19.15	Buy	-12.0	-5.8	-5.8	-12.8	21.0	5.4	9.3	1.22
9361	FFLCC	Fid VIP Floating Rate High Income	High-Yield Bond	13.23	OK to Buy	0.1	3.0	3.0	2.3	7.8	3.2	--	0.25
9157	FMPAC	Fid VIP FundsManager 20	Allocation	17.26	Hold	1.7	3.3	3.3	-3.3	2.5	2.5	2.8	0.34
9158	FMPBC	Fid VIP FundsManager 50	Allocation	22.50	Hold	2.3	5.0	5.0	-5.2	8.0	4.7	5.5	0.61
9197	FMPPC	Fid VIP FundsManager 60	Allocation	22.16	Hold	2.3	5.2	5.2	-5.9	9.8	5.3	6.4	0.69
9159	FMPCC	Fid VIP FundsManager 70	Allocation	25.49	Hold	2.5	5.9	5.9	-6.0	11.8	6.0	7.1	0.76
9160	FMPDC	Fid VIP FundsManager 85	Allocation	27.46	Hold	2.5	6.3	6.3	-6.7	14.4	6.8	8.3	0.88
9059	FTNJC	Fid VIP Gov't Money Market	Money Mkt	11.97	--	0.3	1.0	1.0	2.2	0.6	1.0	0.5	0.02
9062	FMNDC	Fid VIP Growth	Large Growth	55.71	Buy	5.2	10.1	10.1	-11.0	19.0	13.5	14.6	1.10
9070	FLFNC	Fid VIP Growth & Income	Large Blend	40.44	OK to Buy	0.2	4.8	4.8	-1.1	20.6	10.3	10.6	0.99
9068	FIDPC	Fid VIP Growth Opportunities	Large Growth	60.43	Buy	5.0	14.5	14.5	-18.5	15.8	15.1	15.3	1.43
9084	FPDRC	Fid VIP Health Care	Sector	64.87	Buy	2.3	0.6	0.6	-3.8	10.1	9.1	13.2	0.91
9060	FBBLC	Fid VIP High Income	High-Yield Bond	22.17	Hold	0.9	2.8	2.8	-5.6	3.9	1.6	2.7	0.47
9064	FXVLT	Fid VIP Index 500	Large Blend	44.83	OK to Buy	3.6	7.4	7.4	-8.0	18.2	10.8	11.9	1.00
9082	FBALC	Fid VIP Industrials	Sector	45.66	Buy	-1.2	2.6	2.6	-2.3	18.7	5.6	8.7	1.08
9473	FFIQC	Fid VIP International Index	Diversified Int'l	11.13	OK to Buy	2.9	7.0	7.0	-4.5	11.7	--	--	0.94
9076	FVJIC	Fid VIP Int'l Capital App	Diversified Int'l	27.46	Buy	5.9	13.7	13.7	-4.1	11.2	5.6	7.6	1.11
9063	FTLKC	Fid VIP Investment Grade Bond	Inv Grd Bond	17.19	Buy	2.1	3.1	3.1	-5.1	-1.2	1.3	1.6	0.34
9172	FVMAC	Fid VIP Materials	Sector	30.11	Hold	-2.0	3.6	3.6	-7.3	27.3	6.6	6.6	1.16
9071	FNBSC	Fid VIP Mid Cap	Mid Blend	39.31	Buy	-3.0	3.2	3.2	-6.5	22.6	6.2	8.8	1.06
9088	FEMMC	Fid VIP Overseas	Diversified Int'l	22.46	OK to Buy	3.7	10.1	10.1	-4.8	12.5	4.6	5.9	1.08
9072	FFWKC	Fid VIP Real Estate	Sector	25.97	Hold	-2.4	2.7	2.7	-20.4	7.5	3.4	4.3	1.05
9075	FGDQC	Fid VIP Strategic Income	High-Yield Bond	21.31	OK to Buy	1.6	3.0	3.0	-4.1	3.2	1.7	2.5	0.37
9086	FYENC	Fid VIP Technology	Sector	100.59	Buy	9.2	25.1	25.1	-9.7	23.7	17.1	18.9	1.42
9465	FTMJC	Fid VIP Total Market Index	Large Blend	15.25	Buy	2.6	7.1	7.1	-8.8	18.1	--	--	1.02
9087	FXRRC	Fid VIP Utilities	Sector	42.84	OK to Sell	5.0	-3.4	-3.4	-4.1	13.2	9.2	9.2	0.90
9079	FKMSC	Fid VIP Value	Large Value	34.92	OK to Buy	-4.0	1.1	1.1	-5.1	26.2	9.3	9.7	1.12
9073	FRBSC	Fid VIP Value Strategies	Mid Value	36.14	OK to Buy	-5.2	1.3	1.3	-6.7	27.5	9.4	8.9	1.18
9347	FBMEC	Black Rock Global Allocation	Global Allocation	16.62	Hold	2.3	3.8	3.8	-6.5	8.4	4.0	4.6	0.70
9349	FTMEC	Franklin Templeton Global Bond	Global Bond	9.83	Hold	3.7	1.1	1.1	-4.8	-3.4	-2.6	-1.1	0.38
9348	FMEC	Franklin Templeton US Gov't	Intermed Gov't	10.18	Buy	1.8	2.2	2.2	-3.9	-3.1	-0.1	0.1	0.26
9285	FIGXC	Invesco Global Core Eqty	Global Stock	16.81	Hold	3.1	8.9	8.9	-7.3	14.0	3.5	5.8	0.99
9147	FPRLC	Lazard Retirement Emerging Mkts	Emg Mkts	16.78	Hold	2.6	7.9	7.9	-4.6	11.1	-2.1	0.8	0.98
9143	FPRMC	Morgan Stanley Emerg Mkt Debt	Emg Mkt Bond	17.32	Hold	0.2	1.1	1.1	-9.9	-0.6	-1.9	0.2	0.66
9144	FPRNC	Morgan Stanley Emerg Mkt Equity	Emg Mkts	14.14	Hold	2.2	2.6	2.6	-12.4	7.2	-2.8	0.5	1.06
9146	FPRPC	Morgan Stanley Global Strategist	Diversified Int'l	16.08	Hold	2.4	4.9	4.9	-8.8	8.1	2.6	4.0	0.75
9346	FPMEC	Pimco Commodity Real Return	Commodities	8.13	OK to Sell	1.0	-4.4	-4.4	-16.6	24.1	5.9	-2.2	0.94
9276	FPMBC	Pimco VIT Low Duration	Shrt-Term Bond	11.72	Buy	1.3	1.5	1.5	-1.3	-1.0	0.2	0.3	0.13
9277	FPNBC	Pimco VIT Real Return	TIPS	14.74	OK to Sell	2.6	3.0	3.0	-6.7	1.8	2.5	0.9	0.38
9278	FPOBC	Pimco VIT Total Return	Intermed Bond	13.54	Hold	1.9	2.6	2.6	-6.5	-2.8	0.3	0.9	0.34

Annuity Sector		Annuity Growth		Annuity Growth & Income		Annuity Income	
Fund	Allocation	Fund	Allocation	Fund	Allocation	Fund	Allocation
VIP Technology	26%	VIP Mid-Cap	28%	VIP Bond Index	28%	VIP Bond Index	34%
VIP Health Care	17	VIP Growth	23	VIP Equity-Income	22	Frkln Temp U.S. Gov't	25
VIP Consumer Discret	16	VIP Growth Opps	19	VIP Growth Opps	20	VIP Strategic Income	17
VIP Industrials	15	VIP Equity-Income	17	VIP Strategic Income	16	VIP Mid-Cap	13
VIP Comm Services	14	VIP Extended Mkt. Index	13	VIP Mid-Cap	14	VIP Growth	11
Total Return:		Total Return:		Total Return:		Total Return:	
Mar: 2.4% YTD: 10.4%		Mar: 0.7% YTD: 6.1%		Mar: 1.5% YTD: 4.6%		Mar: 1.7% YTD: 3.5%	

ESG FUNDS

Socially Conscious Investing At Fidelity

With the Dep't. of Labor and President Biden pressing Wall Street to hew to “socially responsible” or “impact” investing (and some members of Congress fighting back), readers are asking which Fidelity funds bake ESG principles (Environmental, Social and Governance) into their investment decisions.

For those wanting to avoid ESG funds, here's the good news: Unless otherwise stated in a prospectus, neither Fidelity's actively-run nor their index funds have any ESG mandates. Still, they could provide better clarity.

To that end, Fidelity tags most of its ESG funds with the “Sustainability” moniker: **Sustainable Intermediate Municipal Income** is the newest example. It joins eight other such funds covered in the *Scorecard*. (Including ETFs, there are 15 fund options, with more likely on the way.)

Where matters get murky are the five other ESG-themed funds without Sustainability labels. They are **Climate Action**, **Environmental Bond**, **Environment & Alternative Energy**, **Water Sustainability** and **Women's Leadership**. In fairness, their very names suggest a dual investment strategy that incorporates ESG. Still, it would be far better for Fidelity to add the Sustainability moniker to these and future funds.

A final note: As with many values, ESG principles are in the eye of the beholder. When appropriate, Fidelity uses proprietary ESG screens and third-party evaluators; conflicts are inevitable. Further, investors are likely to have their own opinions about the moral certitude of a company or industry. For our part, we always focus on our readers' investment objectives, while preferring to let the marketplace of ideas hash out the rest. ■

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Select Funds

The combination of market volatility and a handful of bank failures pushed gold prices up over 8% last month. In turn, **Select Gold** was the top-performing sector fund: up 14.4%. However, the next five top-performers are all related to tech. Helping to propel **Technology** and **Semiconductors** up 9.6% and 9.3% last month were headline-grabbing stories about advances in artificial intelligence (AI) and the technology's insatiable appetite for chips.

In contrast to that were double-digit declines for **Banking** (down 20.1%) and **Financial Services** (down 12.1%).

Foreign Funds

The world outside the U.S. also had its share of surprises last month.

Apart from presidents Putin and Xi's public display of affection and presumed desire to fashion a New World Order, the European Central Bank hiked interest rates 50 basis points. It did so in the face of a stubbornly high inflation of 8.5%. The hike was deemed necessary even as the EU's growth for this year is forecast to be a negligible 0.8%. At the same time, the continent grappled with its own banking concerns, though financial markets staged a mini-rally late in the month.

Europe fund gained a comparatively modest 2.4% in March and

the broader **International Index** fund gained 3.1%.

Elsewhere, **China Region** rose 3.6% as China's economy continues to shake off its Covid lockdowns, although funds with significant tech exposures were among the best-performers. For example, **International Cap App** gained 5.9%. On the other hand, falling oil prices were a negative for certain emerging markets, especially **Latin America** which fell 2.7% last month.

Real Estate Funds

While falling bond yields late in March lifted REITs (which are seen as alternatives to bonds), those gains weren't enough to offset earlier declines. **Real Estate Index** fell 2.1% for the month. Ongoing weakness in the office space sector and commercial properties are weighing on the asset class.

Bond Funds

The Fed raised interest rates 25 basis points to a range of 4.75% to 5.00% in March. But, of course, the real driver of bond prices was the short-lived banking crisis. Against the backdrop of dramatic volatility, Treasury yields ended the month lower, meaning that bond prices rose. With the yield on the benchmark 10-year Treasury falling 44 basis points to 3.48%, **U.S. Bond Index** and **Municipal Bond Index** rose 2.5% and 2.4%, respectively. ■

— John Bonnanzio

Fidelity's Muscle

According to Crane Data, assets in Fidelity's money market funds (MMF) soared \$52.5 billion last month (through March 28) and have now topped \$1 trillion, up from about \$900 billion at year-end.

This recent surge is the result of mostly individuals' flight to the safety of bigger financial institutions — even non-banks like Fidelity whose money funds have never broken a buck and whose yields are generally more competitive owing to their sheer size and depth of research. With MMF assets totaling \$5.6 trillion nationally, Crane estimates Fidelity's market share at 20%, and 30% of the entire fund industry.

For its part, **Government Cash Reserves** (the industry's biggest MMF) saw its assets rise almost 2% in March to \$210 billion. Part of its allure: the fund's 4.51% yield (at month-end). ■

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of firms buying back enough shares to lift earnings per share by 4% or more year-over-year. Apple, the largest stock in the index and a long-time buyback heavyweight, repurchased \$94 billion of its stock in 2022, far exceeding other firms. (Warren Buffett is a big fan of Apple for this reason; it's why Berkshire holds such a large stake in its

DIVIDEND UPDATE

In addition to regular monthly dividends paid by bond and money market funds and Asset Mgr: 20%/30%, the following funds may make a dividend or cap gain distribution in April:

500 Index, Asst Mgr 40% and 50%, Balanced, CA Ltd Term Tax Free, CA Muni Inc, Convertible Secs, Equity Div Inc, Equity-Inc, Extended Mkt Idx, Global Credit, Global Equity Inc, Growth & Inc, Infrastructure, Intern Treas Idx, Int'l Bond Idx, Int'l Idx, Long-Term Treas Idx, Multi-Asset Idx, Puritan, Short-Term Treas Idx, Small Cap Enhcd Idx, Strat Div & Inc, Strat Real Ret, Telecom & Utilities, Total Market Idx, and all Select funds.

The final distributions for March were as follows:

Fund	Ex-Date	\$ Amt	NAV
Equity-Inc	3/10	0.022	62.04
Hedged Equity	3/10	0.006	9.54
Mid Cap Value	3/10	0.111	24.19
MSCI Comm Svs	3/17	0.080	35.47
MSCI Cons Discr	3/17	0.174	63.25
MSCI Cons Staple	3/17	0.261	43.73
MSCI Energy	3/17	0.207	21.71
MSCI Financials	3/17	0.276	45.03
MSCI Health Care	3/17	0.232	60.40
MSCI Industrials	3/17	0.186	51.62
MSCI Info Tech	3/17	0.232	108.78
MSCI Materials	3/17	0.199	43.81
MSCI Real Estate	3/17	0.328	24.09
MSCI Utilities	3/17	0.357	42.56
Risk Parity	3/10	0.282	8.83
Stk Sel Lg Cp Val	3/10	0.084	22.73
Telecom and Util	3/10	0.721	25.91

portfolio.)

Dollar-wise, the top spending buyback industries were technology, communications services, and health care. The energy group saw the biggest increase over 2021, with repurchase activity quintupling to \$64 billion. The biggest decline was logged by financial services, which reduced 2022 buybacks by 37% to \$121 billion.

Compared with the amount of money that was paid out as dividends in 2022, companies spent 63% more on buybacks. For the 12 months ending 12/31/22, the S&P 500 buyback yield was 2.87%, far ahead of the index's dividend yield of 1.76%. Overall shareholder compensation was 4.63%, on par with the level over the last decade. Throw in 2.5% from GDP growth, and it's not hard to see how stocks can deliver 7 percentage points in excess of inflation longer-term.

Not everyone is happy that corporations are such robust buyers of their own stock. Some would like to see shareholder compensation in the form of dividends only, which would create an immediate tax liability (instead of an unrealized gain). Others prefer dividends over buybacks because they think corporate execs have too much influence on stock prices, and would prefer the less efficient capital allocation that would come with shareholders (who lack an inside view) making the reinvestment decision.

At any rate, a 1% tax on buybacks was enacted as part of the Inflation Reduction Act, and took effect at the beginning of this year. President Biden is now proposing that the buyback tax be quadrupled to 4%. It's not clear that Congress will support an increase like that,

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Fund Fees — On April 1, expenses on actively managed investment-grade bond funds with durations of less than three years will be cut. The reduction will effect a half-dozen taxable and muni funds. In a related move, **Conservative Income Bond** and **Conservative Income Muni** (whose expenses of 0.35% are capped at 25 bps) will merge with their institutional counterparts. The new share class will have a permanent net expense ratio of 25 bps. ■

but if it does, repurchases could moderate somewhat (so far the existing 1% tax doesn't seem to be discouraging buybacks).

The economy and the dollar, on the other hand, do carry a lot of weight because they affect cashflow. The financial sector seems destined for another big decline in buyback activity; that alone might shrink total 2023 repurchase activity by 10%. On the flip side, technology buybacks may have upside potential if the dollar declines, and strong leisure spending by consumers might lead to increased stock repurchases in the transportation and consumer discretionary groups. Barring a major economic slowdown, 2023 seems likely to see a 10-20% decline from last year. Even at that reduced volume, it's still a lot of buying activity, coming at a time when last year's selling is giving way to this year's bargain-hunting.

So don't give up on stocks. To some this is a scary time, but America's most profitable corporations are continuing to reward shareholders. In effect, you are being paid to wait for the eventual recovery. ■

— Jack Bowers

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