

# S&P Dow Jones Indices

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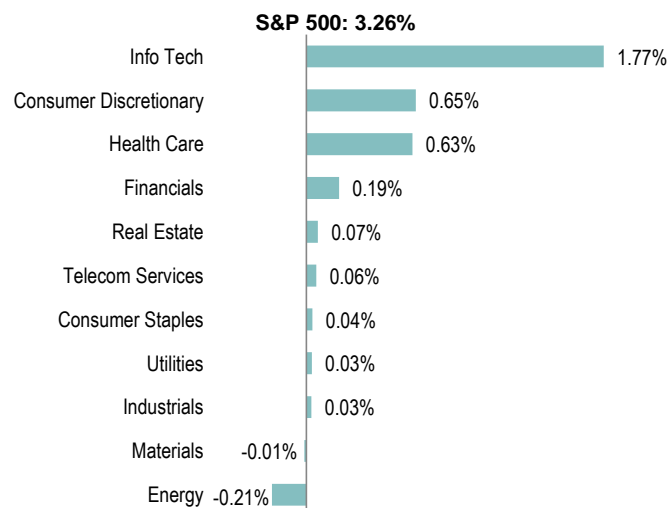
INDEX	1M	QTD	YTD
<b>Headline Equity</b>			
S&P 500® (index level: 2902)	3.26%	7.10%	9.94%
S&P MidCap 400®	3.19%	5.02%	8.68%
S&P SmallCap 600®	4.83%	8.15%	18.30%
S&P Composite1500®	3.30%	6.99%	10.10%
S&P 500/CBOE Volatility (VIX® index level: 12.86)	0.23%	-20.07%	16.49%
Dow Jones Industrial Average® (index level: 25965)	2.56%	7.51%	6.73%
<b>Factor-Based Equity</b>			
S&P 500 Growth	4.89%	8.49%	16.39%
S&P 500 Quality	4.49%	7.89%	7.37%
S&P 500 Momentum	4.35%	8.21%	17.80%
S&P 500 Enhanced Value	2.41%	7.05%	4.75%
S&P 500 High Beta	2.38%	5.37%	7.72%
S&P High Yield Dividend Aristocrats	2.01%	6.15%	5.67%
S&P 500 Equal Weight	2.00%	5.28%	7.13%
S&P 500 Dividend Aristocrats	1.82%	6.89%	5.45%
S&P 500 Low Volatility	1.82%	5.41%	6.17%
S&P 500 Value	1.36%	5.46%	3.12%
Dow Jones U.S. Select Dividend	1.06%	3.39%	4.45%
S&P 500 Low Volatility High Dividend	0.40%	2.42%	1.25%
<b>S&amp;P 500 Sectors</b>			
Information Technology	6.93%	9.17%	21.03%
Consumer Discretionary	5.13%	7.06%	19.39%
Health Care	4.37%	11.27%	13.31%
Telecom Services	3.05%	5.44%	-3.36%
Real Estate	2.49%	3.60%	4.44%
Financials	1.39%	6.73%	2.37%
Utilities	1.12%	3.00%	3.33%
Consumer Staples	0.52%	4.61%	-4.33%
Industrials	0.30%	7.64%	2.59%
Materials	-0.45%	2.50%	-0.66%
Energy	-3.30%	-1.92%	4.75%

## Summary

- August was a strong month for U.S. equities. The S&P 500 reached record highs, closing with a total return of 3%, as economic strength and strong corporate earnings proved to be key tailwinds. Smallcaps outperformed, with the S&P SmallCap 600 up 5%.
- Most sectors posted gains, with Info Tech as the leader, up 7%. Growth, Quality, and Momentum were the leading factor indices in August.
- Most non-U.S. markets declined in August, as the S&P Developed ex-U.S. BMI declined by 1%. Buffeted by currency crises and contagion concerns, emerging and frontier markets were particularly weak, with the S&P Emerging BMI and S&P Frontier BMI down 4% and 5%, respectively.
- August performance in U.S. fixed income was positive, with preferred stock as the leader.
- Commodities performance was mixed in August, with the DJCI down 2% and the S&P GSCI up 1%.

INDEX	1M	QTD	YTD	
<b>International Equity</b>				
S&P Developed Ex-U.S. BMI	-1.44%	0.46%	-2.00%	
S&P Emerging BMI	-3.51%	-0.81%	-6.81%	
S&P Frontier BMI	-4.50%	-1.66%	-7.39%	
S&P 700	-2.19%	0.36%	-2.37%	
S&P Asia 50	-0.10%	0.05%	-3.49%	
S&P/TOPIX 150	-0.37%	0.94%	-0.99%	
S&P/ASX All Australian 50	-1.32%	0.86%	-0.08%	
S&P/TSX 60	-1.33%	1.36%	-1.38%	
S&P Europe 350®	-3.21%	0.15%	-2.69%	
S&P Latin America 40	-8.36%	1.91%	-9.83%	
S&P BMI International Developed Low Volatility	-0.77%	1.52%	-0.47%	
S&P BMI Emerging Markets Low Volatility	-0.77%	3.59%	0.23%	
<b>Fixed Income</b>				
<b>Yield</b>				
S&P U.S. Preferred Stock	6.31%	1.19%	1.69%	2.98%
S&P U.S. Aggregate Bond*	3.27%	0.49%	0.56%	-0.83%
S&P 500 Bond*	3.93%	0.53%	1.36%	-1.68%
S&P/LSTA U.S. Leveraged Loan 100*	5.23%	0.48%	1.37%	3.23%
S&P U.S. Issued IG Corporate Bond II*	3.83%	0.58%	1.28%	-1.74%
S&P 500 High Yield Corporate Bond*	5.03%	0.70%	1.94%	0.12%
S&P U.S. Agency*	2.69%	0.44%	0.33%	0.18%
S&P National AMT-Free Muni Bond*	2.55%	0.12%	0.38%	0.03%
S&P U.S. Treasury Bond 7-10 Year*	2.85%	0.99%	0.46%	-1.52%
S&P U.S. Treasury Bond*	2.70%	0.62%	0.31%	-0.54%
S&P 500/MarketAxess IG Corporate Bond*	3.91%	0.36%	1.53%	-2.20%
<b>Commodity</b>				
Dow Jones Commodity (DJCI)	-1.71%	-4.02%	-2.31%	
S&P GSCI	1.08%	-2.49%	7.61%	
S&P GSCI Energy	3.60%	-1.46%	17.91%	
S&P GSCI Livestock	-0.34%	-4.45%	-8.62%	
S&P GSCI Precious Metals	-2.50%	-4.95%	-9.46%	
S&P GSCI Industrial Metals	-2.88%	-7.79%	-13.07%	
S&P GSCI Agriculture	-5.53%	-1.88%	-5.12%	

## S&P 500 Sector Contribution August 2018



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