Return Documentation

S&P 500

Source YCharts

DJ Industrial Average

Source YCharts
Russell 2000

**Total Return Performance**

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<td>Russell 2000 Total Return</td>
<td>1.24%</td>
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As of March 31, 2022. Returns for periods of 1 year and above are annualized.

**Annual Performance**

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<td>Russell 2000 Total Return</td>
<td>-4.41%</td>
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MSCI EAFE TR USD (Foreign Developed)

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<td>MSCI EAFE Total Return</td>
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<td>22.66%</td>
<td>8.28%</td>
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MSCI EM TR USD (Emerging Markets)

Source: YCharts

MSCI ACWI Ex USA TR USD (Foreign Dev & EM)

Source: YCharts
S&P GSCI (Broad-Based Commodities)

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WTI Crude Oil

*Source Koyfin.com*
Gold Price

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BBgBarc US Agg Bond

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BBgBarc US T-Bill 1-3 Mon

Source YCharts

ICE US T-Bond 7-10 Year

Source YCharts
BBgBarc US MBS ( Mortgage-backed)

Source YCharts

BBgBarc Municipal

Source YCharts
BBgBarc US Corporate Invest Grade

Source YCharts

BBgBarc US Corporate High Yield

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Other Citations

Sector Performance Q1 2022

Value vs. Growth Q1 2022
S&P 500 Monthly Returns

Elevated Volatility
After a historically calm 2021, volatility returned in the first quarter of 2022, as inflation surged to 40-year highs, the Federal Reserve promised to raise interest rates faster than previously thought, and Russia surprised the world with a full-scale military invasion of Ukraine, marking the first major military conflict in Europe in decades.


The prospect of sooner-than-expected interest rate hikes weighed on the sectors with the highest valuations, specifically growth-oriented technology stocks. The steep declines in the tech sector exacerbated market volatility in January.


Additionally, while the fourth-quarter earnings season was solid, there were several large, widely held technology companies that posted disappointing results or forecasts, and that also contributed to general market volatility.


Finally, in late January at the FOMC meeting, Fed Chair Powell clearly signaled that the Fed would be raising rates at the next meeting (in March) confirming to investors that interest rates were going to rise much more quickly than had been assumed just a few months prior.


The conflict sent essential commodity prices such as oil, wheat, corn, and natural gas surging as commodity producers and end users feared production disruptions and reduced supply.


Then, on March 16th, the Federal Reserve raised interest rates by 25 basis points, the first-rate hike in over three years. But the rate hike was no worse than markets feared, and that provided a spark for a “relief rally” in stocks that produced a solidly positive monthly return for the S&P 500 and carried the major indices to multi-week highs by the end of the quarter.


Investors rotated out of growth-oriented, high-P/E technology stocks and into sectors that were more exposed to the traditional economy which, generally speaking, trade at a cheaper valuation relative to the tech sector. That rotation benefitted the Dow Jones Industrial Average primarily while the Nasdaq Composite badly lagged both the S&P 500 and the Dow.

https://www.barrons.com/articles/tech-stocks-rout-51641321157
Small-cap stocks typically are more reliant on debt financing to sustain their businesses, and therefore, rising interest rates can be a headwind on small-cap stocks. Additionally, investors flocked to the relative safety of large caps amid the rise in volatility over the course of the quarter.


On a sector level, only two of the eleven sectors in the S&P 500 finished the first quarter with a positive return. Energy was the clear standout as the sector benefitted from the increase in geopolitical uncertainty and subsequent surge in oil and natural gas prices in response to the Russia-Ukraine war. Utilities, a traditionally defensive sector, logged a modestly positive return as investors rotated to defensive sectors in response to elevated market volatility and geopolitical uncertainty. Finally, financials relatively outperformed the S&P 500 and saw only a small loss as the sector has historically benefited from rising interest rates, although concerns about exposure to the Russian economy weighed on many financial stocks in February and early March.