# Q3 2020 LOOK AHEAD



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# Consumer Strength



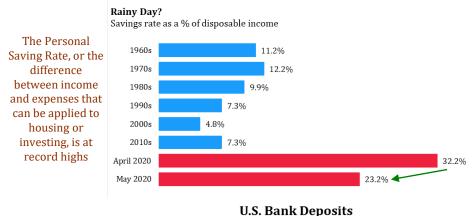
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## A World of Cash

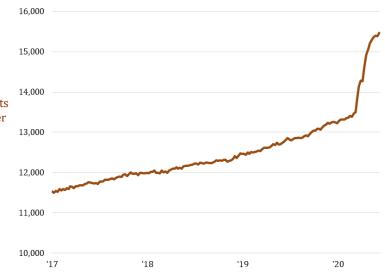
## **Emptying the Tank**





Retail &
Institutional
Money Funds have
shattered any
measurable past
record, topping
\$4.4 trillion
through the second
week of June





(US\$ Billions)

- The definitive question is: Will the U.S. consumer and businesses spend down to maintain their lifestyles and supply chains?
- ☐ If spending habits do return to normal levels, it could add approximately \$3 trillion to GDP (or 15%) and more than make up for the forced suspension of our economy



# **Animal Spirits**



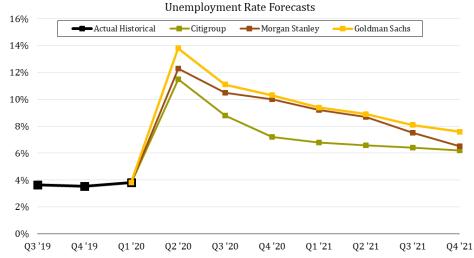
# **Consumers Are Gradually Restoring a Sense of Safety**

% of U.S. adults who said they're currently comfortable doing the following



Based on polls among at least 1,501 U.S. adults for each data range Source: Morning Consult

### What a Potential Jobs Recovery Might Look Like

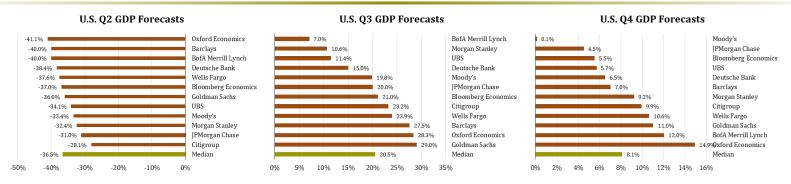


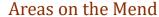
☐ Consumption will continue to drive the recovery in jobs, wages, and corporate earnings





## A Quick Recession





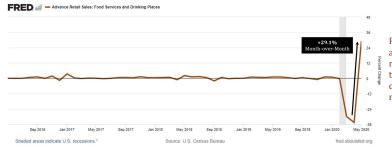


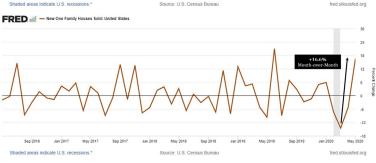
FRED and - Advance Retail Sales: Retail and Food Services, Total

Recent retail sales

data suggests the

consumer is





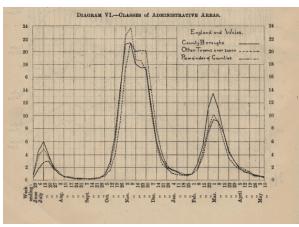
Retail sales in food and beverage came roaring back from the depths of depression to rise nearly 30% in May

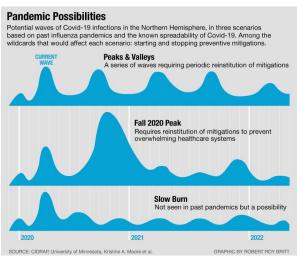
New home sales are beginning to recover, with month-over-month increases in the South (+53k), the Northeast (+10k), the West (+38k) in May

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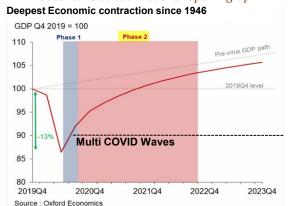
# The 90% Economy

#### No mass economic shutdown, but rolling restrictions





## A 90% Economy will likely be a byproduct of the surge in outbreaks at each level of opening up



A second wave will put a ceiling on the economic recovery, likely creating a pullback, which is quite normal

#### Pullbacks Are Normal After Major Lows Are In Place

S&P 500 Index Drawdowns After Rally Off Lows

Major Bear Market Low	Initial Rally Off Lows	Length of Rally (Days)	First Drawdown
October 1957	7.0%	26	-5.5%
June 1962	14.3%	40	-10.5%
May 1970	13.3%	6	-9.3%
October 1974	20.8%	25	-13.6%
August 1982	23.7%	31	-5.0%
October 1987	14.9%	2	-14.7%
October 1990	13.4%	39	-7.4%
October 2002	24.2%	36	-17.3%
March 2009	43.4%	67	-9.1%
March 2020	44.5%	53*	?
Average	21.9%	30	-10.3%
Median	17.9%	31	-9.3%

Source: LPL Research, Strategas 06/11/2020

" Current rally is still active



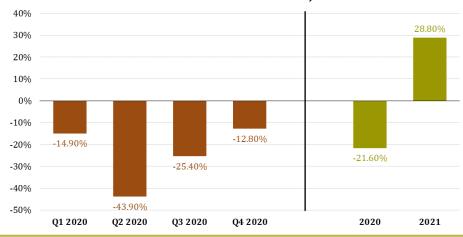
## Does the "E" Matter in 2020?

### A Race for Survival to 2021

☐ Investors have discounted a 2020 earnings depression





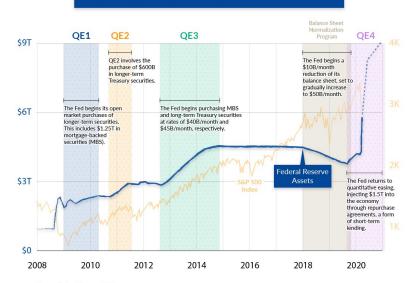


☐ They have also likely discounted a 2021 earnings recovery



# Stimulus – The U.S. Economic Safety Net

#### TOTAL ASSETS OF THE U.S. FEDERAL RESERVE



Sources: Federal Reserve, CNBC
------ Projected future assets based on BofA Global Research

- Moral hazard while distinctive is the new normal for the Fed and Congress
- ☐ Any significant threat to consumption will be met with more monetary and fiscal policy
- Potential threats include:
  - ☐ Job losses
  - Wage contractions
  - ☐ Equity markets retesting the March lows
  - ☐ Credit market bottlenecks
  - Widespread COVID shutdowns

### Federal Spending in Response to Coronavirus

Amount (\$ bn)	Measure
\$293	One-time recovery rebates checks amounting to \$1,200 per adult and \$500 per child up to certain income limits
\$268	Boost to unemployment benefits, adding \$600 per week to every check until July 31st, expanding program to cover contractors and self-employed and extending program from 26 weeks to 39 weeks
\$27	Grants to airlines and businesses deemed important for national security. Non-forgivable loans through Fed are excluded as they are assumed to be repaid
\$760	Small business relief, mostly "forgivable loans" for spending on payroll, rent and utilities
\$150	Direct aid to state and local governments
\$425	Health-related spending
\$517	Other spending and tax breaks
\$2.441 trillion	~11.8% of GDP

#### Goldman Sachs Expectations for Future Stimulus

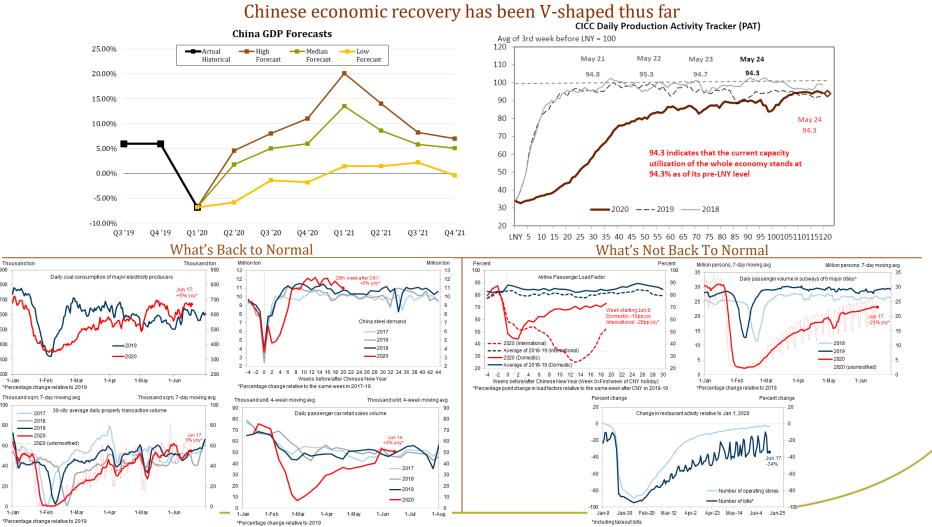
	FY2020	FY2021	FY2022	FY2023	CY2020	CY2021	CY2022	CY2023
Phase 4 (G\$ Expectations)								
State fiscal aid	100	100	-	-	200	50	-	_
Unemployment insurance: broadended eligibility	-	15	16	13	-	19	15	13
Unemployment insurance: extended duration	-	80	95	94	-	104	95	94
Unemployment insurance: extra \$300/wk through Dec. 2020	57	58	-	-	115	-	-	- '
Payments to individuals	270	150	-	-	270		-	- '
Additional business support					200			,
Additional federal spending	-	150	200	-	-	150	75	-
Infrastructure	-	25	35	40	-	25	35	40
Total	427	578	346	147	785	348	220	147
Total, enacted and expected (\$bn)	2691	1053	222	-4	3381	331	85	165
Total, enacted and expected (% of GDP)	13.0	4.9	1.0	0.0	16.5	1.5	0.4	0.7

<sup>\*</sup> We have adjusted CBO's initial estimate to assume a greater portion of funds paid in 2020



# Emerging Markets – A Focus on China





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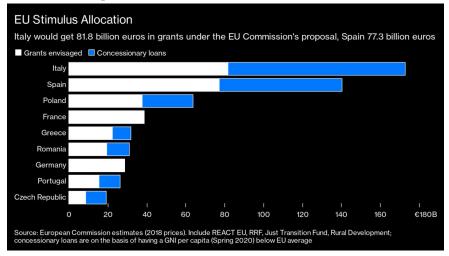
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## Developed Markets - Focus on EU

## Monetary Union to Fiscal Union?

### European Union Stimulus Plan Details



- □ Proposed package value of €750 billion (\$853 billion)
- Goal is to distribute €500 billion euros in grants and €250 billion in loans to countries and sectors hit hardest by COVID-19
- ☐ Distribution would be set to begin in January 2021 and last through December 2024
- ☐ Largest fiscal stimulus in Europe (far larger than post-World War II)
- ☐ Proposed package would need unanimous support from all 27 members.

### Three Main Problems

- ☐ Some nations do not agree with the idea
  - ☐ The commissioner has never tapped markets in such large proportion
  - ☐ Four countries not in support (Austria, Netherlands, Denmark, and Sweden)
  - ☐ Many citizens worry that their tax contributions will be used in other countries
- ☐ How to calculate the distribution of funds
  - Any method of calculation would be met with resistance by one or more members.
- ☐ The 27 countries must discuss the plan
  - ☐ Leaders must decide how they will monitor funds
  - ☐ Some do not want to agree because countries like the Czech Republic and Hungary have been accused of misusing EU money
  - ☐ Finding a way for 27 different countries looking out for themselves to come to an agreement is challenging
- ☐ The European Fund is unlikely to pass in its current format



# Interest Rates = Much Lower for Much Longer

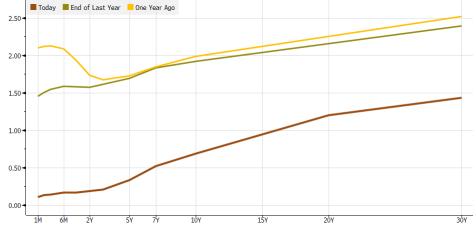
#### **Global Interest Rates Forecasts:** 10-Year Gov Yield %

				Fore	cast
Country	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Australia	2.63	2.32	1.37	0.87	1.07
Brazil	10.26	9.23	6.79	7.25	6.00
China	3.90	3.31	3.14	2.70	2.88
Germany	0.42	0.24	-0.19	-0.38	-0.14
Italy	2.01	2.74	1.41	1.29	1.20
Japan	0.05	0.00	-0.01	-0.02	0.02
Switzerland	-0.18	-0.28	-0.50	-0.46	-0.36
United Kingdom	1.19	1.27	0.82	0.38	0.70
United States	2.41	2.69	1.92	0.94	1.34

#### Australia's three-year government bond yield







### Fed Yield Curve Management

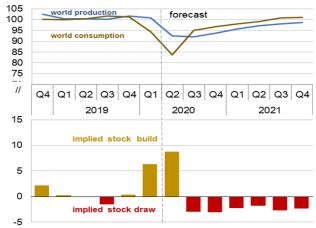
- ☐ Yield curve control has appeared likely since last year to emerge from the Fed's framework review as the key new addition to its toolkit
- ☐ Analysts expect the Fed's version to cap front-end rather than back-end rates
- ☐ Under the current environment, this tool would probably not add much beyond providing the market with certainty, as St. Louis Fed President Bullard noted at the end of May, unless the controls extended far out the curve, offering implicit guidance at a very distant horizon

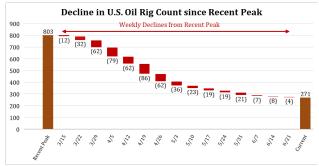


# Special Note on Energy

## Supply Constraints on Oil

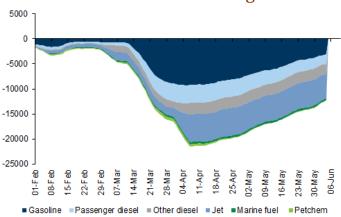






- ☐ Production is expected to increase through the summer as shut-in wells are brought back online
  - ☐ Both North American shale and Libyan shut-in production are currently restarting

### **Demand Returning**



### Projected Outlook for Major Oil Consuming Countries

	% of World Con	sumption Growtl	h (Mil. barrels	per day)	Projected 2-Yr
Country	Consumption	2019	2020	2021	Growth Rate
China	15%	0.5	-0.9	1.7	5.5%
United States	20%	0.0	-2.4	1.4	-4.9%
India	5%	0.1	-0.2	0.5	6.5%

- Demand continues to recover, but remains well below normal levels
- ☐ China has continued its V-shaped recovery, with implied demand increasing although some of this can be attributed to large stockpiling
- Expectations are for oil to remain between \$35 and \$50/bbl through the midpoint of 2021



# The Policy of Politics

☐ Since 1944, if the S&P 500 rose in price from July 31 through October 31 of a presidential election year, the incumbent party was re-elected 80% of the time. This was the case in 2012 when President Barack Obama was re-elected. If the market is down during the period, the incumbent party lost the White House 86% of the time.

		_	DJIA Percent (	Change (%)
	_		Percent	Annualized
President	Start	End	Change (%)	Return (%)
T. Roosevelt	9/14/1901	3/4/1909	21.6	2.7
Taft	3/4/1909	3/4/1913	-1.3	-0.3
Wilson	3/4/1913	3/4/1921	-6.9	-0.9
Harding	3/4/1921	8/2/1923	17.4	6.9
Coolidge	8/2/1923	3/4/1929	255.9	25.5
Hoover	3/4/1929	3/4/1933	-82.8	-35.6
FDR	3/4/1933	4/12/1945	194.4	9.3
Truman	4/12/1945	1/20/1953	81.7	8.0
Eisenhower	1/20/1953	1/20/1961	120.3	10.4
JFK	1/20/1961	11/22/1963	12.2	4.1
Johnson	11/22/1963	1/20/1969	30.9	5.3
Nixon	1/20/1969	8/9/1974	-16.5	-3.2
Ford	8/9/1974	1/20/1977	23.4	8.9
Carter	1/20/1977	1/20/1981	-0.9	-0.2
Reagan	1/20/1981	1/20/1989	135.1	11.3
Bush I	1/20/1989	1/20/1993	45.0	9.7
Clinton	1/20/1993	1/20/2001	226.6	15.9
Bush II	1/20/2001	1/20/2009	-24.9	-3.5
Obama	1/20/2009	1/20/2017	149.4	12.1
Trump	1/20/2017	12/31/2019	54.3	15.9
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Average			61.7	5.1
Average Repu	blican		45.6	4.1
Average Demo	ocratic		85.9	6.7

- ☐ Trump administration will do whatever it takes to try and support equity prices.
- ☐ The president is hyper focused on the stock market, he has tweeted about the economy/stock market 120 times since the beginning of 2020

#### **Election Policy & Politics**

- · Bipartisan approach to spending
- Limited fiscal constraints
- Anti-China rhetoric tests limits on trade, but likely little in the way of action
- Tax Policy and deficit reduction not addressed until 2022
- Billionaire tax used as political football during campaign season
- Ongoing rhetoric on multinationalism, the U.S. bureaucracy, and law and order



## Mean Reversion Dashboard

#### Style Current P/E as a % of 20-Yr Avg. P/E

	Value	Blend	Growth
Large	124.1%	135.0%	147.6%
Mid	124.4%	140.5%	161.0%
Small	141.3%	192.7%	279.0%

### Regional Fwd. P/E as a % of 10-Yr Avg. Fwd. P/E

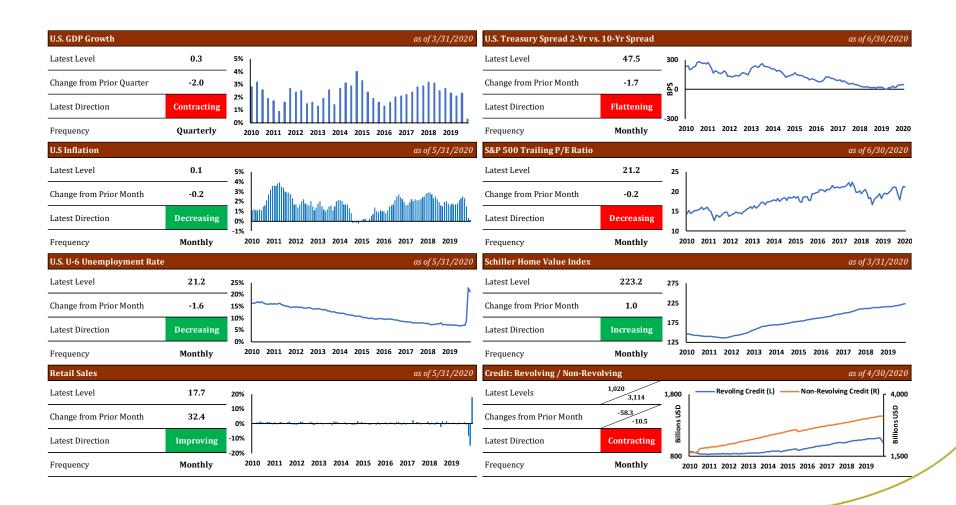
ACWI	EAFE Index	EM Index	United States	Germany	United Kingdom	China	Brazil	India	Russia
133.7%	130.2%	126.7%	136.7%	139.9%	121.4%	132.0%	141.6%	130.5%	146.3%

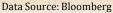
#### Sector Fwd. P/E as a % of 20-Yr Avg. P/E

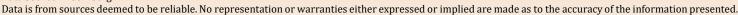
Energy	Materials	Industrials	Consumer Discretionary	Consumer Staples	Health Care	Financials	Technology	Telecom	Utilities	Real Estate
515.2%	129.4%	146.6%	198.0%	112.4%	98.8%	109.9%	146.3%	124.1%	113.9%	111.9%



## **Economic Dashboard**









## Our View and Recommendations

### **Our View**

- ☐ Trump administration will use all tools necessary with no regard to deficits in order to mitigate the short-term damage of COVID-19
- ☐ Extreme volatility will persist until such time as corporate cash flows can be approximated
- ☐ China will continue to lead the world out of this economic crisis by having the best testing, tracing, and COVID management systems
- ☐ Equity valuations may be susceptible to any 2021 earnings revisions and threats to 2020 COVID rolling restrictions that limit the recovery in GDP to below 80%
- ☐ Interest rates will remain much lower (near zero) for much longer, perhaps for many years to come, to compensate for any threat of deflation
- ☐ Congress will pass a fifth round of stimulus before the August recess to support the broader economy as well as those needing an additional bridge to economic recovery

## **Recommendations**

- ☐ Rebalance Rebalance Rebalance. Focus on using multiple time periods to rebalance portfolios back to targets
- Review planning and spending to align with revised capital market and portfolio return expectations
- ☐ Increase exposure to China as a diversifier to both the United States and general Emerging Markets exposure
- ☐ Rebalance back to target weights in Small Cap and Mid Cap as they represent better valuations
- ☐ Stress test portfolios against the COVID lows to determine your willingness to ride out the likely storms to the economy and U.S. equity prices

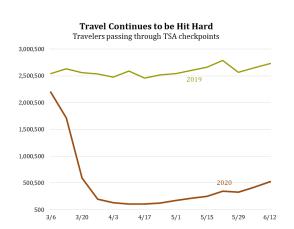
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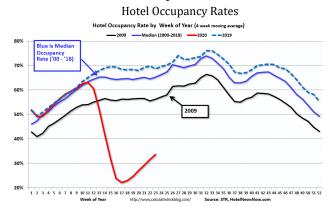
- ☐ Review of upcoming policy changes from leading Washington, DC lobbyists
- Discussion with Arthur Laffer—best known as a member of Reagan's Economic Policy Advisory Board and creator of the Laffer Curve—to help review long term implications from debt and inflation



## **Bruises & Scars**

The impact of the economic shutdown will certainly leave bruises and scars on our economy **Likely Bruises** 







### **Potential Scars**

- Credit downgrade of the United States
- Higher taxes
- Structural shifts in commercial real estate usage
- Migration patterns to smaller urban centers



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