

Weekly Update

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		<u>Last Week</u>	<u>YTD Returns</u>
Domestic Equities	S&P 500	-1.35%	11.73%
International Developed	MSCI EAFE	-1.29%	7.94%
Emerging Markets	MSCI EM	-3.00%	1.79%
Fixed Income	BBgBarc US Agg Bond	-0.37%	-2.70%

Markets were lower last week, as inflation fears once again were on the minds of investors. April's CPI figures showed a large increase in inflation, however, it was primarily driven by used car prices. We continue to believe that inflation data will trend higher in the coming months, but this phenomenon will ultimately prove to be short lived. We understand that the risks of sustained inflation are higher than normal and that there may be more market disruptions around this. In the end, we continue to see longer-term structural forces as being more deflationary. The inflation question will remain a key area of interest and will likely play a large part in determining the direction of any upcoming portfolio changes.

*Index returns are from Morningstar and are calculated on a total return basis, with dividends reinvested.