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Weekly Update

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		<u>Last Week</u>	<u>YTD Returns</u>
Domestic Equities	S&P 500	-3.23%	-16.78%
International Developed	MSCI EAFE	-3.01%	-21.15%
Emerging Market	MSCI EM	-3.41%	-19.66%
Fixed Income	Bloomberg US Agg Bond	-1.02%	-10.94%

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

It was another tough week for markets, as the summer holidays came to an end and the ongoing macro uncertainties came back into focus. Bond yields have resumed their upward march with more Fed tightening expected later this month. It is just about a 50/50 proposition whether the Fed raises rates by 0.50% or 0.75% this month, and markets continue to price in more hikes. Elsewhere, the ongoing slowdown and energy concerns remain in Europe, and the never-ending on-again, off-again Covid restrictions remain in China, with new lockdowns recently announced in Chengdu and Shenzhen. Here in the US, we saw another fairly strong jobs report, and there were some signs of easing labor tightness and slowing wage growth. We expect choppiness in markets leading up to the midterm elections, which will then hopefully remove a bit of uncertainty through the end of the year.