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Administrative Note:

There will be NO NEWSLETTER next weekend (December 16th) as I am traveling. The newsletter will resume on December 23rd.

Market Review And Update

Last week, we noted that the current rally was exceptionally extended, and corrective or consolidative action was necessary.

"While it seems as if 'nothing will stop the market,' such was the same sentiment we discussed in July in ["Trading An Unstoppable Bull Market."](#) To wit: 'We must remember that market advances can only go so far before an eventual correction occurs. My best guess is that if the markets are to reach all-time highs this year, we will likely have a correction to reset some of the more extreme overbought conditions.' Of course, that correction came the next month."

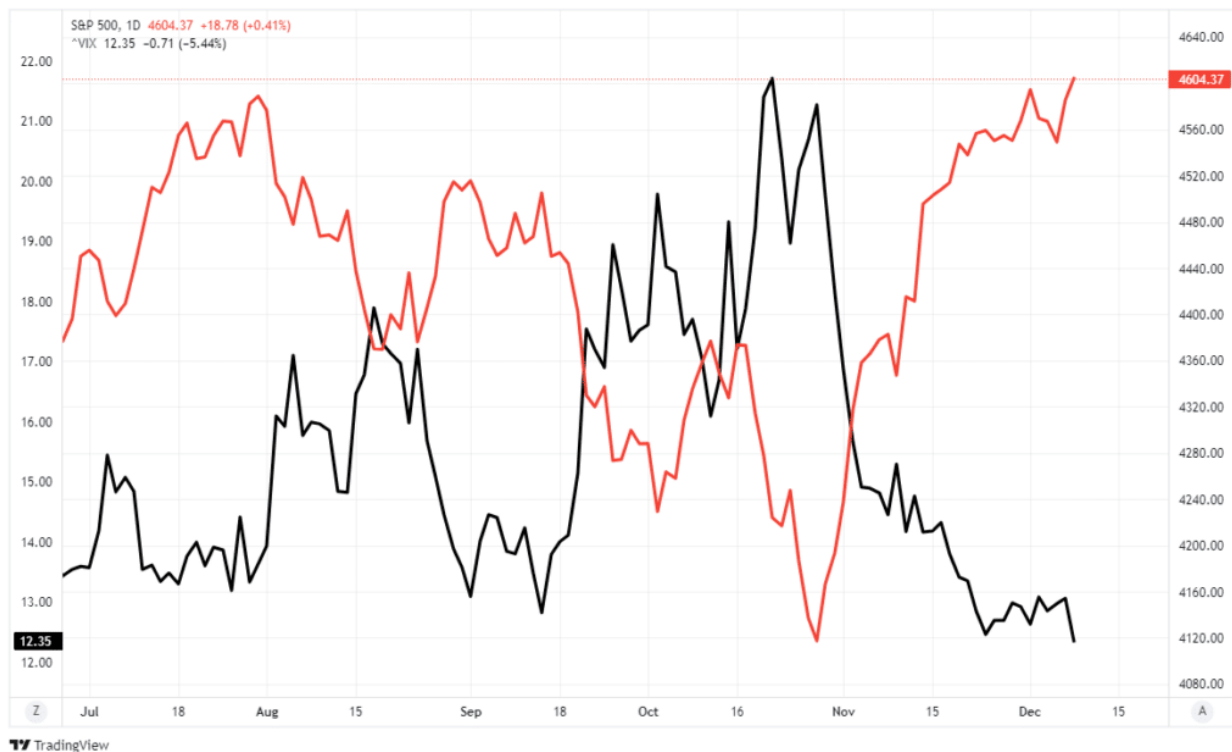
While the market struggled to advance early in the week, on Thursday and Friday, markets climbed to set new closing highs for the year, as shown. However, the combination of overbought conditions and excess bullish sentiment limited gains from weaker-than-expected economic reports that should keep the Federal Reserve at bay next week. It is worth remembering, however, that we are still lower nearly two years later. Most investors have spent the last 15 months making up losses, and markets may struggle next year.



As noted by YahooFinance on Thursday:

*"Historically, volatility tends to contract at the end of December, paving the way for predictable year-end gains. **But this year, November's gangbuster returns may have brought forward an early Christmas for investors.** ?Stocks have had three principle catalysts over the last two years ? inflation, jobs, and the Federal Reserve ? and all three are on the docket over the next week. Whether bullish or bearish, markets could get quite interesting in what is normally a sleepy time of year."*

The jobs report yesterday was weak across the board, which will likely keep the Federal Reserve on hold for now, and next week is the inflation report and the last FOMC meeting for the year. With volatility at extremely low levels, as shown, a hot CPI report or a "hawkish message" from the Fed could cause stocks to stumble.



The message remains that risk is prevalent at the moment. However, the question is whether the "Santa Claus" rally was pulled forward.

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The Santa Claus Rally Cometh

As we start moving into the last few weeks of the trading year, investors everywhere are hopeful that "Santa Claus" will visit "Broad & Wall."

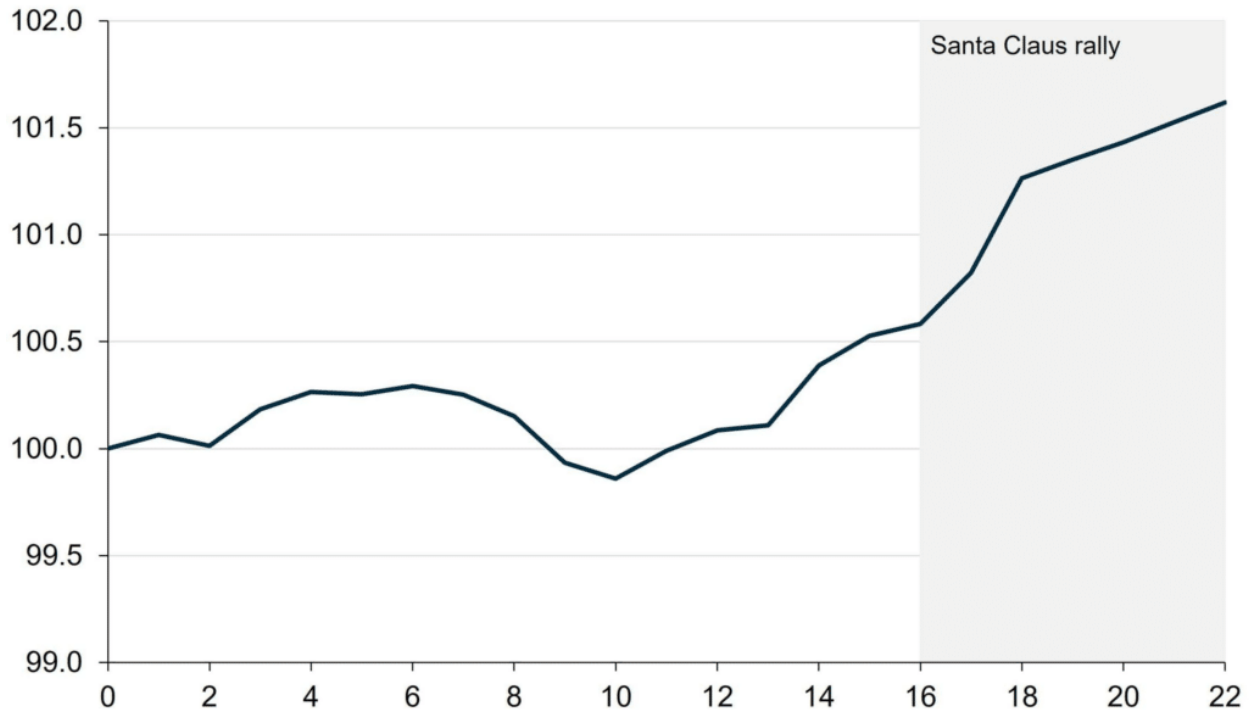
The actual Wall Street saying is, **"If Santa Claus should fail to call, bears may come to Broad & Wall."** The Santa Claus Rally, also known as the December effect, is a term for more frequent than average stock market gains as the year winds down. However, as is always the case with data, average returns sometimes differ from reality.

Stock Trader's Almanac explored why end-of-year trading has a directional tendency. The Santa Claus indicator is pretty simple. It looks at market performance over a seven-day trading period ? the last five trading days of the current trading year and the first two trading days of the New Year. The stats are compelling.

"The stock market has risen 1.3% on average during the 7 trading days in question since both 1950 and 1969. Over the 7 trading days in question, stock prices have historically risen 76% of the time, which is far more than the average performance over a 7-day period."

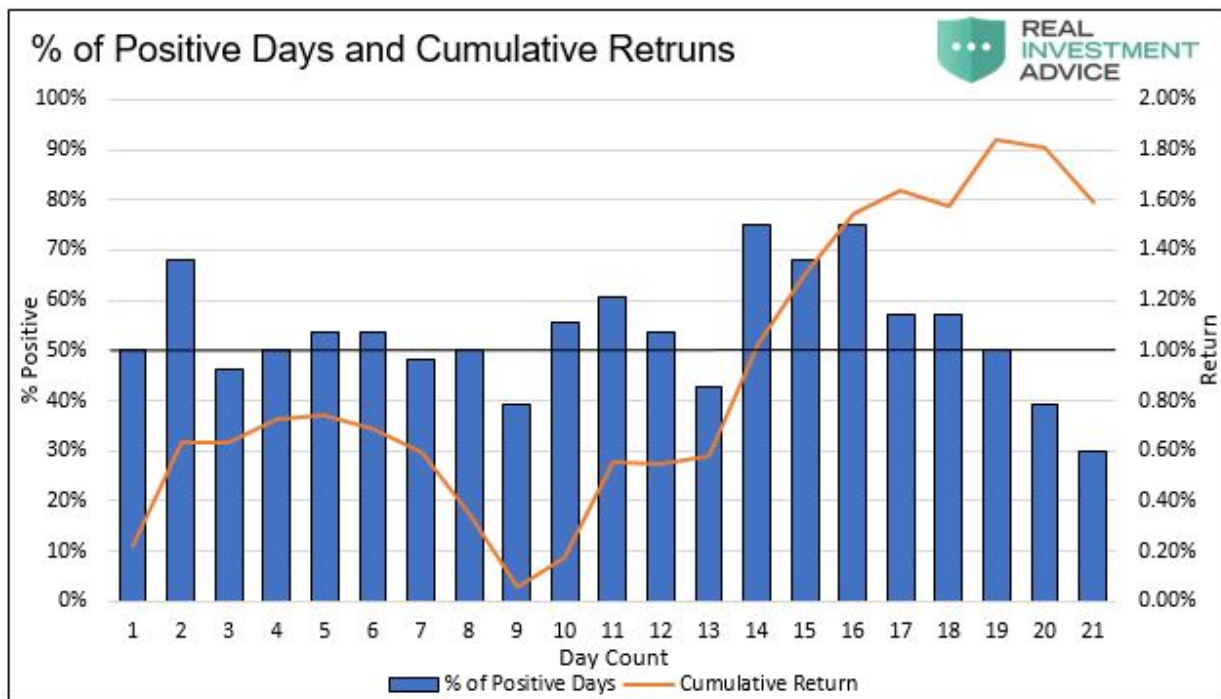
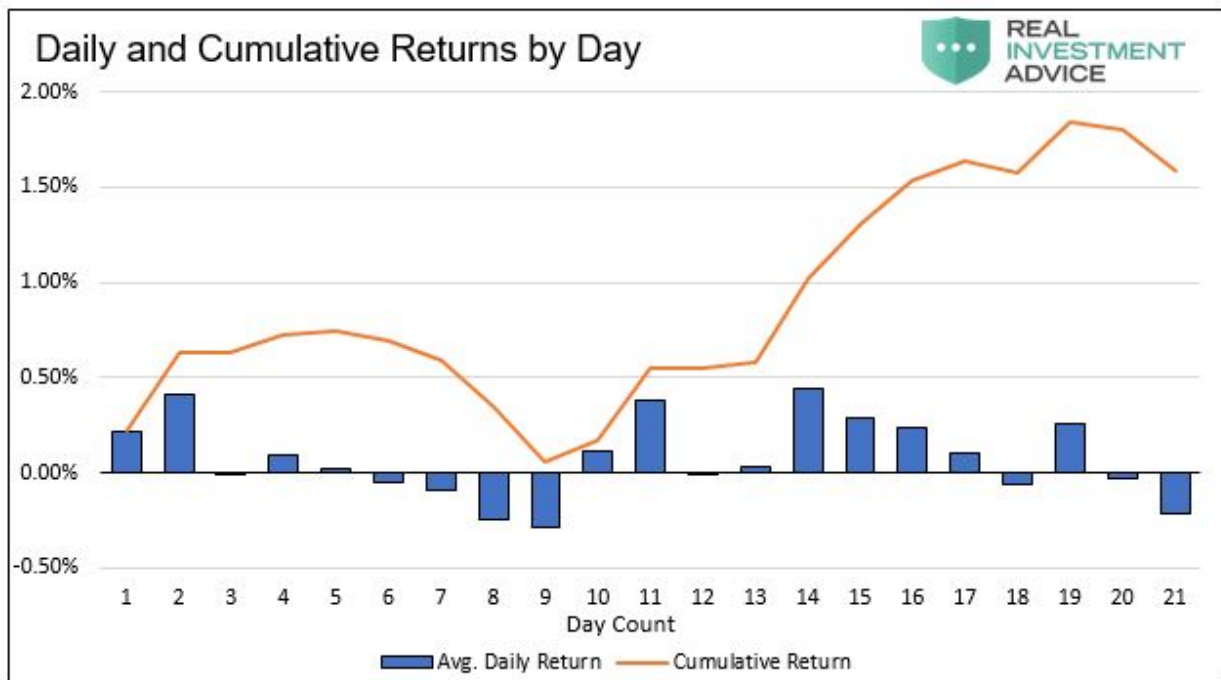
S&P 500 average December performance, 1964 — 2022

Index in December trading days, day 0 = 100



Source: LSEG Datastream / Fathom Consulting

The end of the year tends to be strong for a couple of reasons. First, professional managers tend to "window dress" portfolios for year-end reporting purposes. Secondly, given that many professional funds make year-end distributions, there tends to be a need to rebalance portfolios. The following two graphs in orange show aggregate cumulative returns by day count for the December 30th months we analyzed. In the first graph, we plotted returns alongside daily aggregated average returns by day. The second graph illustrates the percentage of positive days versus negative days by day count and returns.



Visually, one notices the "sweet spot" in the two graphs between the 10th and 17th trading days. The 17th trading day, in most cases, falls within a day or two of Christmas.

Did Investors Front Run Santa?

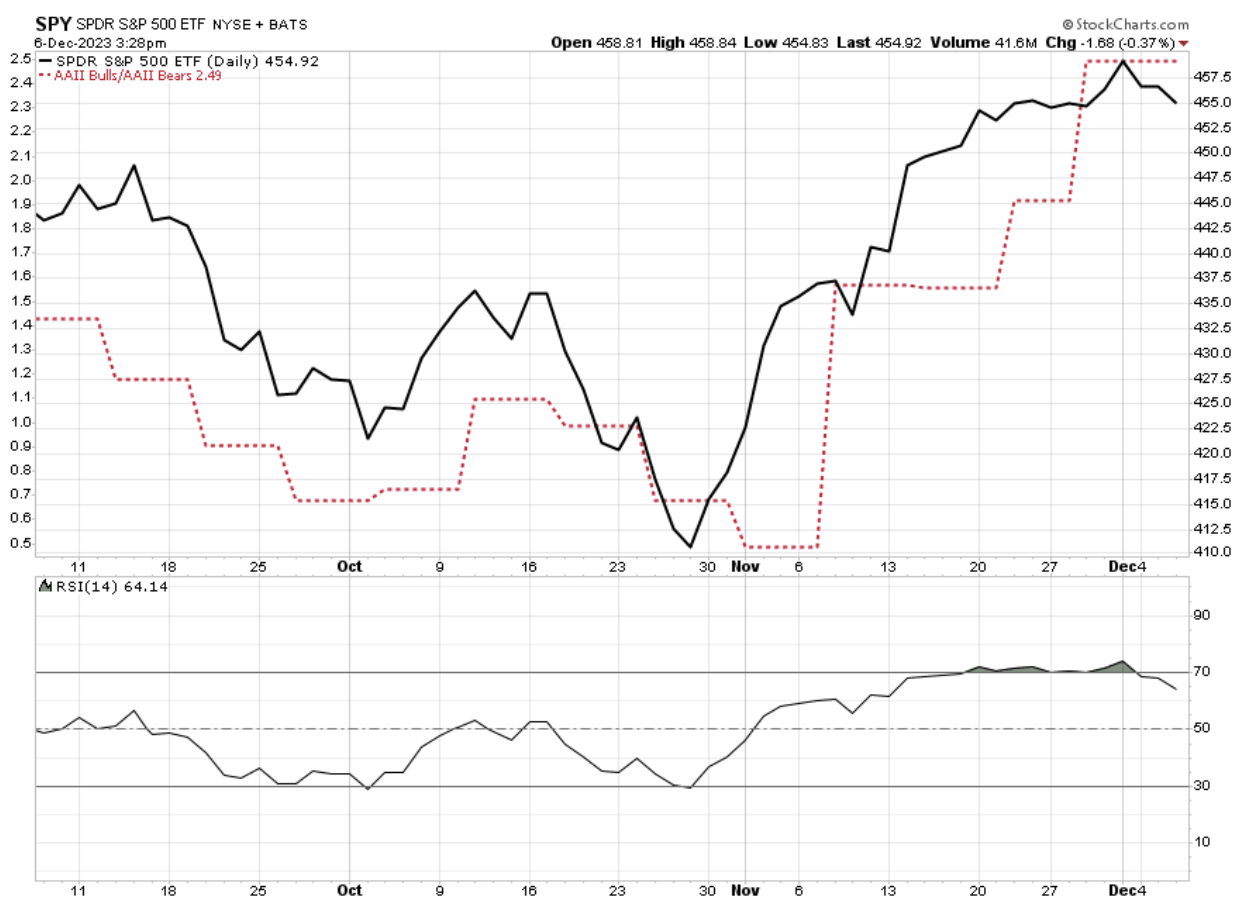
While there is a high probability that stock prices will climb, there is a not-so-insignificant 24% chance they won't. With the substantial November advance, the question is whether anyone is "*left to buy?*" We want to analyze the technical backdrop to minimize the risk of "*getting a lump of coal.*"

As noted, not every December has a "*Santa Claus Rally.*" 2018, as shown, is a good reminder that once in a while, investors receive a lump of coal in their stockings.



At that time, the Federal Reserve was on a rate hiking campaign and insisted that it was *"nowhere near the neutral rate"* on monetary policy. Furthermore, since the market had declined steeply since early September, sentiment and investor positioning were very negative.

However, this year, such was not the case as the S&P 500 rallied nearly 9% for the month. Notably, this rally followed a 10% decline from August to October, which sent investor sentiment to bearish levels. As shown, the resurgence in bullish sentiment is quite astonishing.



The difference today is that while the Fed has not cut rates, they have signaled they are close to, or at, the end of its rate hiking campaign. This gave the bulls an early *"Santa Claus"* gift that *"rate cuts will soon be here."* With such a surge in the market, the question is whether bullish investors front-ran the year-end rally.

Buyers Fading

From a technical perspective, the biggest concern is the more extreme exuberance the markets have seen recently. You have to wonder precisely how much *"gas is left in the tank"* when the bears are bullish.

While such extreme bullish sentiment isn't necessarily bearish, it does suggest that further upside in the markets is likely limited until a reversal occurs. Furthermore, such a consolidation or correction should be anticipated. As shown in the table below, in previous years, when November was *"hot,"* December was not.

	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
2023	6.18%	-2.61%	3.51%	1.46%	0.25%	6.47%	3.11%	-1.77%	-4.87%	-2.20%	8.72%	
2022	-5.26%	-3.14%	3.58%	-8.80%	0.01%	-8.39%	9.11%	-4.24%	-9.34%	7.99%	5.38%	-5.90%
2021	-1.11%	2.61%	4.24%	5.24%	0.55%	2.22%	2.27%	2.90%	-4.76%	6.91%	-0.83%	4.36%
2020	-0.16%	-8.41%	-12.51%	12.68%	4.53%	1.84%	5.51%	7.01%	-3.92%	-2.77%	10.75%	3.71%
2019	7.87%	2.97%	1.79%	3.93%	-6.58%	6.89%	1.31%	-1.81%	1.72%	2.04%	3.40%	2.86%
2018	5.62%	-3.89%	-2.69%	0.27%	2.16%	0.48%	3.60%	3.03%	0.43%	-6.94%	1.79%	-9.18%
2017	1.79%	3.72%	-0.04%	0.91%	1.16%	0.48%	1.93%	0.05%	1.93%	2.22%	2.81%	0.98%
2016	-5.07%	-0.41%	6.60%	0.27%	1.53%	0.09%	3.56%	-0.12%	-0.12%	-1.94%	3.42%	1.82%
2015	-3.10%	5.49%	-1.74%	0.85%	1.05%	-2.10%	1.97%	-6.26%	-2.64%	8.30%	0.05%	-1.75%
2014	-3.56%	4.31%	0.69%	0.62%	2.10%	1.91%	-1.51%	3.77%	-1.55%	2.32%	2.45%	-0.42%
AVG	0.32%	0.06%	0.34%	1.74%	0.68%	0.99%	3.09%	0.25%	-2.31%	1.59%	3.79%	-0.39%

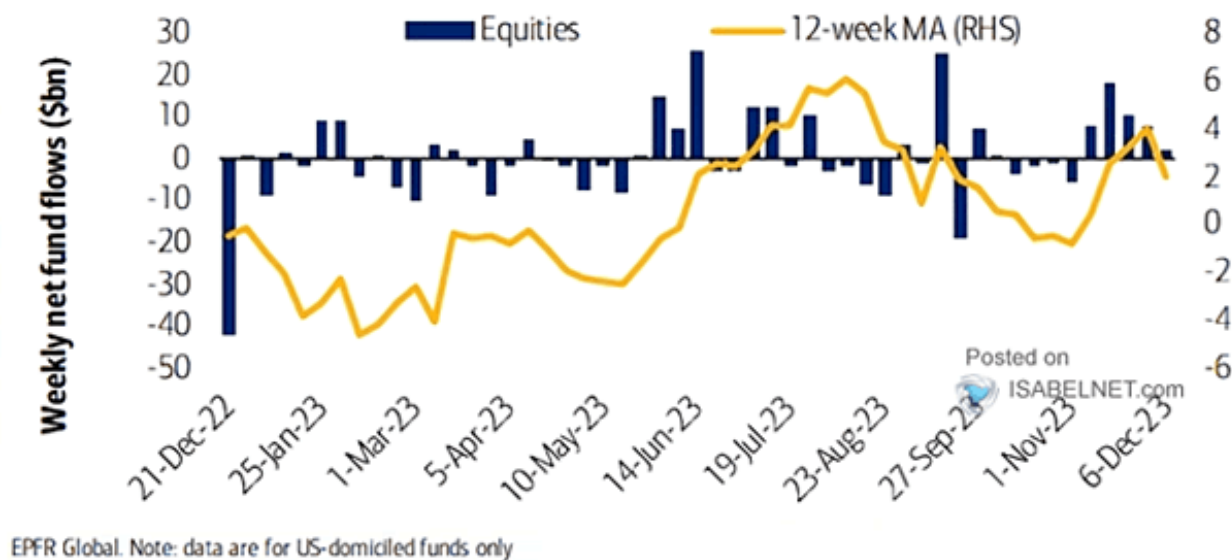


Given that the market is currently overbought on a relative strength basis and well deviated above its 50-DMA, a correction to resolve those conditions remains probable.



Such becomes more likely as inflows into equity funds continue to wane as we head into year-end.

Exhibit 2: Weekly equity fund flows, \$bn
 Equities +\$1.91bn

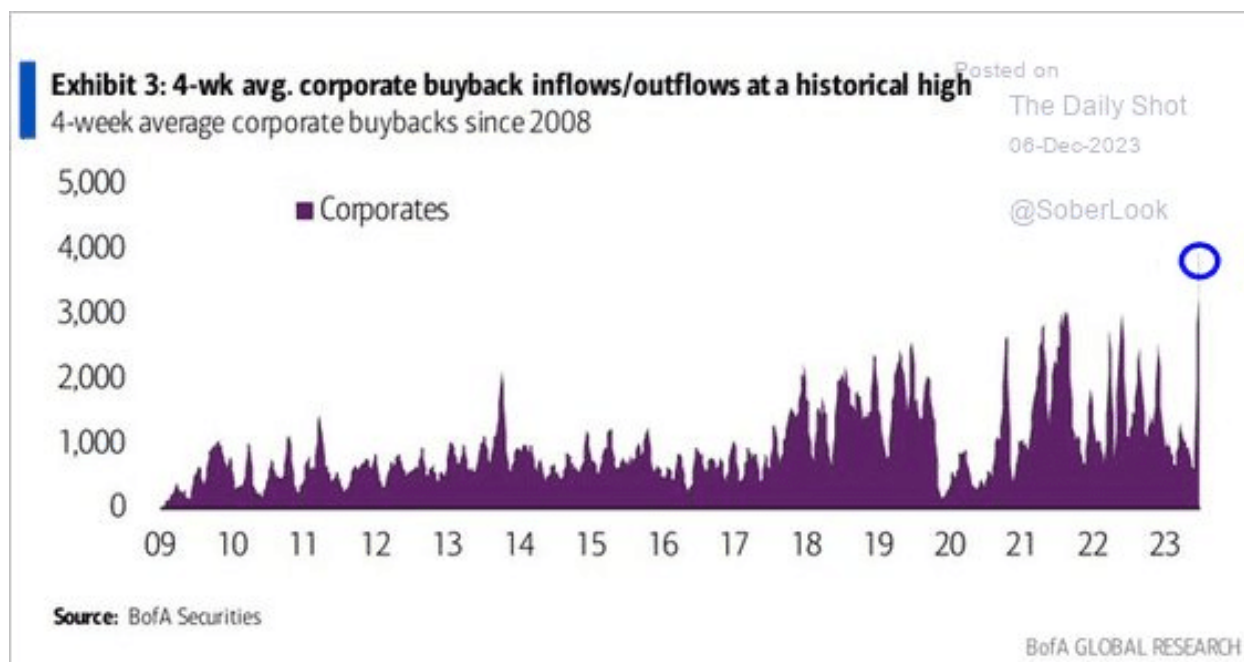


Notably, one of the significant drivers of the gains in November was a surge in corporate "stock buybacks." We addressed such mid-September in ["October Weakness Before The Year-End Run."](#) To wit:

*"Lastly, corporate share buyback windows will reopen in November and December as companies exit their earnings 'blackout period.' **Notably, the last two months of the year represent the best two-month period of the year for corporate executions. Such is because corporations have a clear picture of their current financial positions and can use stored cash to execute buybacks.** As noted by Goldman Sachs, 'The VWAP machines will be lining up to buy \$5bn worth of equities daily during*

November and December."

The buyback bonanza did not disappoint, as shown in the chart below.



However, that window closed on Friday, eliminating a key "buyer" of equities from the market through year-end.

With the markets overbought, bullishness elevated, and stock buybacks over, a reversal into the last week of December remains possible. Of course, the good news is that such a correction would set the stage for "Santa Claus to visit Broad and Wall," after all.

Calculating The Madness

Let me repeat something that seems apropos currently:

Sir Isaac Newton once said:

?I can calculate the motions of the heavenly bodies, but not the madness of the people..?

As we head into year-end, we will navigate the risk of overly extended and bullish markets against the seasonally strong end-of-year period.

We believe that capital preservation and risk management lead to better outcomes over the long term. However, managing risk can be frustrating in the short run as the "Fear Of Missing Out" overrides common sense and logic.

If you disagree, that is okay.

When the opportunity presents itself, and the "madness has subsided," these are the questions we will ask ourselves before we add exposure to portfolios:

1. What is the expected return from current valuation levels? (___%)
2. If I am wrong, what is my potential downside, given my current risk exposure? (___%)
3. What actions should I take now if #2 exceeds #1? (#2 ? #1 = ___%)

How you answer those questions is entirely up to you.

What you do with the answers is also up to you.

We are all trying to answer the question, "*How much of the 'narrative' already got priced into the market?*"

By looking at the data, it would be easy to assume the answer is "*much.*"

While bullishness indeed prevails at the moment, along with solid momentum in the market, this is a great time to set aside the narratives and return our focus to the basic portfolio management rules.

Rules For "Santa Rally"

If you are long equities in the current market, rebalancing risk is manageable.

1. ***Tighten up stop-loss levels*** to current support levels for each position.
2. ***Hedge portfolios*** against major market declines.
3. ***Take profits*** in positions that have been big winners
4. ***Sell laggards*** and losers
5. ***Raise cash*** and rebalance portfolios to target weightings.

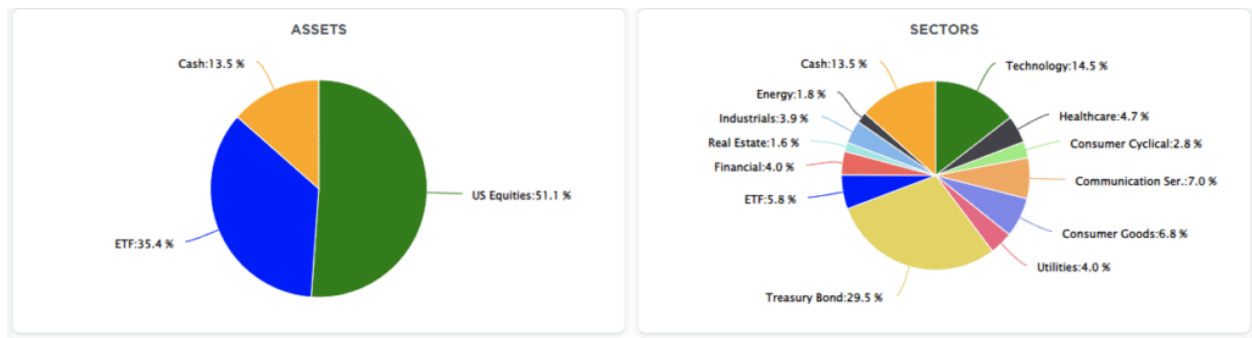
Notice, nothing in there says *?sell everything and go to cash.?*

Remember, our job as investors is pretty simple ? protect our investment capital from short-term destruction so we can play the long-term investment game. Here are our thoughts on this.

- ***Capital preservation*** is always the primary objective. If you lose your capital, you are out of the game.
- ***Seek a rate of return sufficient to keep pace with the inflation rate.*** Don't focus on beating the market.
- ***Keep expectations based on realistic objectives.*** (The market does not compound at 8%, 6% or 4%)
- ***Higher rates of return require an exponential increase in the underlying risk profile.*** This tends to never work out well.
- ***You can replace lost capital ? but you can?t replace lost time.*** Time is a precious commodity that you cannot afford to waste.
- ***Portfolios are time-frame specific.*** If you have a 5-year retirement horizon but build a portfolio with a 20-year time horizon (taking on more risk), the results will likely be disastrous.

As [discussed on Tuesday](#), there is a wide range of potential outcomes, based on valuations, in 2024. No one knows with any certainty what next year will hold. However, by focusing on risk controls and the technical underpinnings, we can safely navigate the waters to safety.

We are certainly anxiously anticipating the arrival of "*Santa Claus.*" **However, we remain keenly aware of the lessons taught to us in 2018 and 2020 that nothing is guaranteed.**



Have a great week.

Research Report



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Healthcare

UHS	ALGN	DVA	GENC	LLY
2.31%	2.13%	1.74%	1.68%	1.66%
IDXX	ZTS	CVS	HCA	EW
1.58%	1.52%	1.47%	1.41%	1.35%
BAX	REGN	VRTX	A	HOLX
-1.04%	-1.06%	-1.07%	-1.15%	-1.23%
DXCM	XRAY	BIO	COO	ILMN
-1.61%	-1.85%	-1.95%	-2.88%	-3.58%

Industrials

ALLE	CARR	BA	PWR	URI
5%	4.5%	3.11%	2.51%	2.28%
FDX	ETN	EFX	TT	TDG
2.19%	1.92%	1.84%	1.15%	1.13%
J	ALK	AAL	AVY	JBHT
-0.84%	-1%	-1.08%	-1.18%	-1.2%
ODFL	CSX	HON	CHRW	NSC
-1.48%	-1.61%	-1.61%	-1.77%	-2.81%

Technology

ANET	QRVO	AVGO	STX	PTC
4.06%	3.64%	2.39%	2.3%	2.06%
NVDA	NXPI	MU	KEYS	NOW
1.95%	1.82%	1.78%	1.72%	1.66%
TXN	MTCH	AKAM	AMAT	LRCX
-0.41%	-0.43%	-0.45%	-0.45%	-0.69%
VRSN	KLAC	GOOG	SEDG	ENPH
-0.75%	-1.26%	-1.42%	-2.23%	-3.88%

Consumer Cyclical

LULU	MGM	LVS	CZR	WYNN
5.37%	4.04%	3.43%	2.89%	2.01%
PHM	F	DHI	LEN	BBWI
1.96%	1.76%	1.55%	1.53%	1.51%
NCLH	BBY	ORLY	GPC	SEE
-0.48%	-0.76%	-0.82%	-0.97%	-1.2%
APTIV	DRI	ULTA	DPZ	POOL
-1.26%	-1.33%	-1.57%	-1.77%	-2.64%

Financial

MS	COF	GS	SCHW	USB
2.4%	2.35%	1.8%	1.76%	1.76%
RJF	CFG	WFC	CMA	ZION
1.59%	1.54%	1.54%	1.48%	1.43%
AXP	MA	NDAQ	PGR	MSCI
-0.11%	-0.24%	-0.3%	-0.33%	-0.35%
TRV	BEN	SPGI	BX	TROW
-0.36%	-0.43%	-0.48%	-1.13%	-1.5%

Consumer Goods

BF-B	BG	TAP	PM	TGT
1.03%	0.38%	0.29%	0.21%	0%
COST	LW	MO	ADM	KO
-0.03%	-0.04%	-0.05%	-0.11%	-0.22%
KMB	CHD	GIS	SJM	CLX
-1.28%	-1.29%	-1.39%	-1.43%	-1.46%
HRL	EL	HSY	DLTR	DG
-1.48%	-1.55%	-1.76%	-1.84%	-3.84%

Utilities

PCG	DTE	NRG	CEG	D
1.38%	1.3%	0.72%	0.62%	0.53%
CMS	AES	PEG	EIX	ETR
0.36%	0.28%	0.24%	0.21%	0.12%
LNT	AEE	SRE	AWK	ATO
-0.85%	-0.9%	-0.9%	-0.91%	-0.93%
ED	PNW	XEL	WEC	ES
-0.96%	-0.99%	-1.04%	-1.09%	-1.19%

Materials

FCX	ALB	CTVA	FMC	MLM
4.89%	2.11%	1.46%	0.92%	0.87%
VMC	LIN	APD	LYB	DD
0.87%	0.66%	0.48%	0.43%	0.24%
CE	EMN	DOW	SHW	MOS
-0.25%	-0.26%	-0.29%	-0.6%	-0.64%
NUE	PPG	STLD	CF	NEM
-0.69%	-0.69%	-1.09%	-1.25%	-1.64%

Real Estate

HST	SPG	EXR	VTR	UDR
1.18%	1.16%	1.15%	1.08%	1.06%
INVH	COR	REG	PLD	DLR
1.01%	0.77%	0.77%	0.76%	0.58%
PEAK	IRM	CSGP	BXP	EQIX
-0.11%	-0.21%	-0.23%	-0.82%	-1.03%
CCI	O	AMT	ARE	SBAC
-1.33%	-1.52%	-2.03%	-2.07%	-2.76%

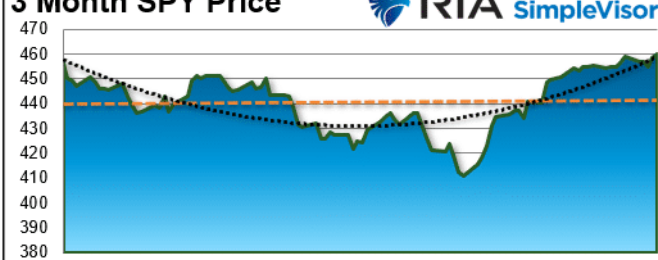
Energy

TRGP	APA	MRO	HES	WMB
2.17%	1.89%	1.82%	1.72%	1.69%
BKR	HAL	DVN	OKE	CVX
1.61%	1.48%	1.45%	1.44%	1.33%
MPC	FANG	FI	SLB	PSX
1.02%	0.77%	0.72%	0.7%	0.56%
VLO	EOG	CTRA	EQT	OXY
0.55%	0.52%	0.49%	0.38%	0.12%

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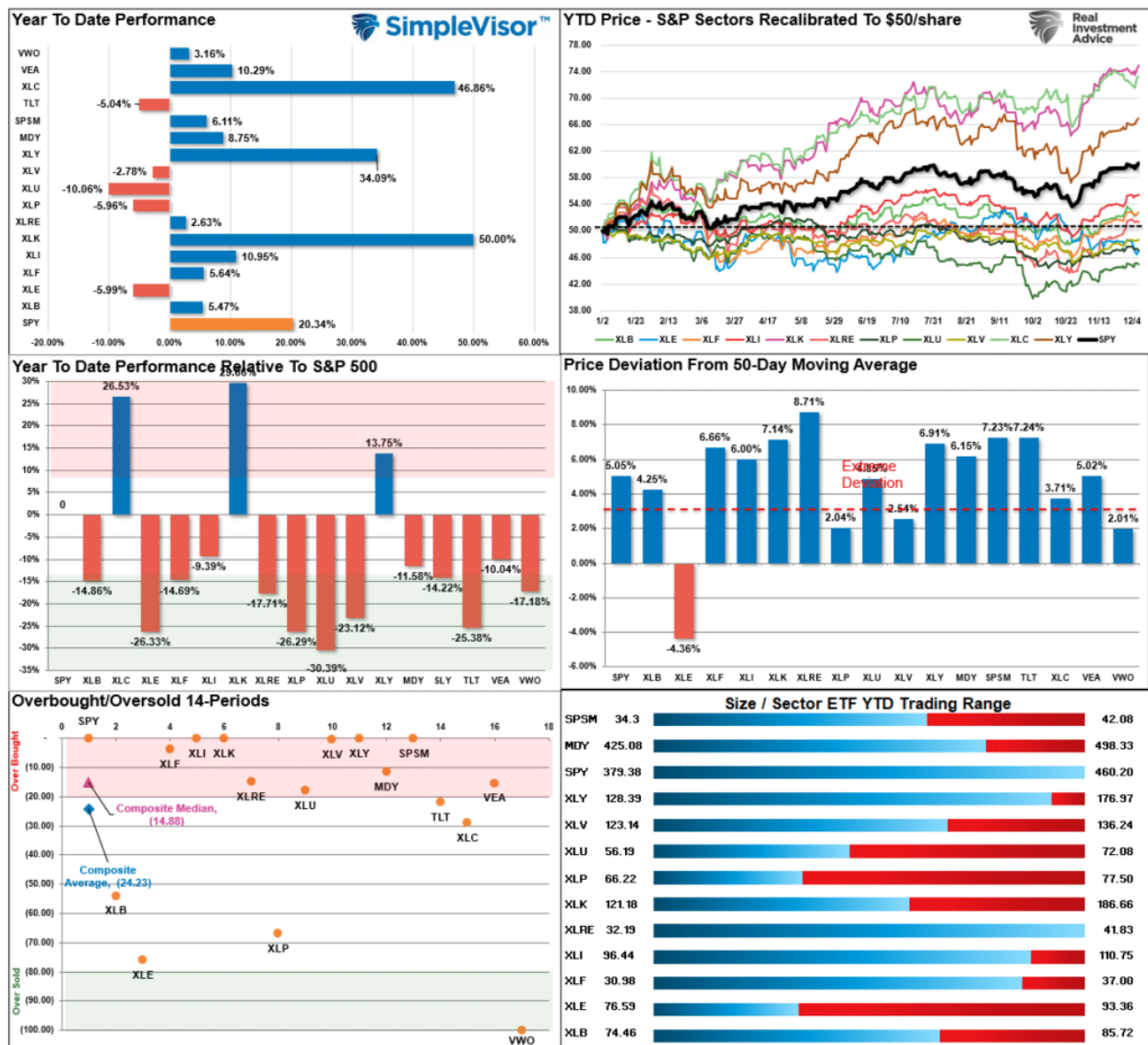
PARA	WBD	FOX	FOXA	META
12.11%	6.01%	2.49%	2.08%	1.89%
IPG	EA	LYV	DIS	TTWO
1.27%	1.17%	1.08%	0.84%	0.72%
NFLX	TMUS	NWS	NWSA	CMCSA
0.39%	0.03%	0%	-0.05%	-0.17%
OMC	CHTR	T	VZ	GOOG
-0.19%	-0.3%	-0.99%	-1.03%	-1.31%

S&P 500 Weekly Tear Sheet

3 Month SPY Price								SPY RISK INFO						
								Item	T 2-Yr	T 1-Yr.	YTD	% Diff YTD/T1-YR		
								Price Return	(1.99%)	16.14%	20.34%	25.98%		
								Max Drawdown	(27.47%)	(10.93%)	(10.93%)	0.00%		
								Sharpe	(0.06)	1.04	1.37	0.31		
								Sortino	(0.07)	1.75	2.25	0.29		
								Volatility	19.58	13.65	13.27	(0.03)		
								Daily VaR-5%	(29.69)	(2.51)	1.61	(1.64)		
								Mnthly VaR-5%	(29.26)	(11.87)	(1.06)	(0.91)		
S&P 500 Market Cap Analysis														
Item	2 years ago	1 year ago	Current	1 Yr % Change	5 Year High	5 year Low	% From High	% From Low	Item	12-M Ago	Current	% Chg		
Dividend Yield	1.22%	1.50%	1.42%	(5.86%)	2.14%	1.20%	(33.82%)	18.12%	Shares	3,716.7	3,622.0	(2.55%)		
P/E Ratio	24.75	18.14	21.66	16.26%	27.57	16.07	(21.5%)	34.76%	Sales	108,810	113,943	4.72%		
P/S Ratio	4.80	3.67	3.87	5.02%	5.00	3.24	(22.64%)	19.36%	SPS	29.3	31.5	7.46%		
P/B Ratio	6.70	5.73	5.84	1.84%	6.78	4.31	(13.91%)	35.40%	Earnings	19,344	18,525	(4.23%)		
ROE	28.28%	27.73%	25.68%	(7.98%)	29.58%	19.25%	(13.20%)	33.39%	EPS TTM	5.7	5.6	(2.25%)		
ROA	6.38%	6.39%	6.10%	(4.77%)	6.72%	4.48%	(9.28%)	36.14%	Dividend	1.6	1.7	4.93%		
S&P 500 Asset Allocation														
Sector	1 Year Price Return	Weight	Beta	P/E	P/E High-5yr (Mo.)	P/E Low-5Yr (Mo.)	P/E % From Peak	ROE	DIV. YIELD	TTM Earnings Yield	Current Forward Earnings	Forward PE		
Energy	(4.27%)	3.98%	1.33	10.01	93.64	(357.54)	(89.3%)	19.6%	3.3%	10.04%	7.56	10.22		
Materials	0.64%	2.41%	1.14	17.96	26.87	11.36	(33.2%)	12.5%	2.0%	5.59%	4.87	18.46		
Industrials	7.15%	8.42%	1.14	20.63	54.45	14.96	(62.1%)	23.3%	1.7%	4.86%	7.01	18.49		
Discretionary	27.94%	10.87%	1.42	29.99	71.65	22.45	(58.1%)	16.5%	0.8%	3.37%	5.07	25.38		
Staples	(11.70%)	6.26%	0.62	19.45	22.79	17.34	(14.6%)	30.8%	2.7%	5.11%	4.64	19.06		
Health Care	(6.04%)	12.78%	0.67	19.34	19.84	14.89	(2.5%)	24.7%	1.7%	5.18%	8.04	17.39		
Financials	8.22%	12.95%	1.16	15.37	21.47	12.76	(28.4%)	12.4%	1.8%	6.54%	7.43	14.24		
Technology	45.43%	28.79%	1.18	34.92	34.61	15.53	0.9%	65.3%	0.8%	2.90%	6.91	28.26		
Telecom	44.65%	8.48%	0.98	22.00	28.38	15.42	(22.5%)	23.2%	0.5%	4.59%	5.85	17.47		
Utilities	(11.04%)	2.44%	0.68	17.58	21.24	15.58	(17.2%)	10.6%	3.5%	5.68%	3.41	15.67		
Real Estate	(1.00%)	2.49%	1.03	17.66	26.21	15.47	(32.6%)	6.6%	3.5%	5.67%	4.75	17.03		
Momentum Analysis														
Item	Price	ROC 50-Days	50-DMA	# Days Since Cross	% Dev 50-Day	200-DMA	# Days Since Cross	% Dev 200-Day	% Dev 50-200 DMA	% From 52-W High	% From 52-W Low	Buy/Sell		
Large Cap	460.20	7.65%	438.31	26	4.99%	430.16	27	6.98%	1.89%	(0.12%)	22.80%	Buy		
Mid Cap	481.55	5.46%	453.59	19	6.16%	462.04	16	4.22%	(1.83%)	(3.84%)	13.51%	Sell		
Small Cap	39.23	6.31%	36.58	19	7.25%	37.63	6	4.26%	(2.78%)	(7.17%)	14.81%	Sell		

Relative Performance Analysis

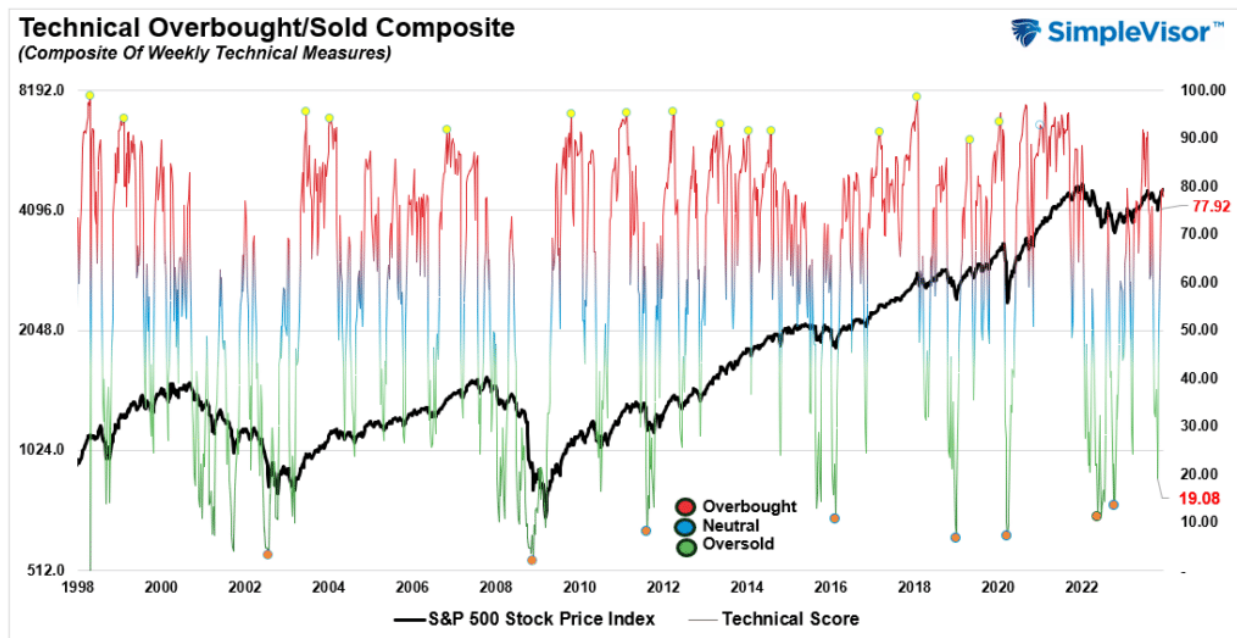
While most of the market remains overbought, the weakness early in the week reversed some of the more extreme overbought conditions last week. However, it wasn't enough to move the market back into a more buyable position just yet. International and Energy are the most attractive for trading, while Technology, Healthcare, Discretionary, Industrials, Financials, and Small Cap Stocks are the least attractive. I continue to expect the market to take a bit of a breather here over the next week or so, but such is not guaranteed when momentum is as strong as it is currently.



Technical Composite

The technical overbought/sold gauge comprises several price indicators (R.S.I., Williams %R, etc.), measured using "weekly" closing price data. Readings above "80" are considered overbought, and below "20" are oversold. The market peaks when those readings are 80 or above, suggesting prudent profit-taking and risk management. **The best buying opportunities exist when those readings are 20 or below.**

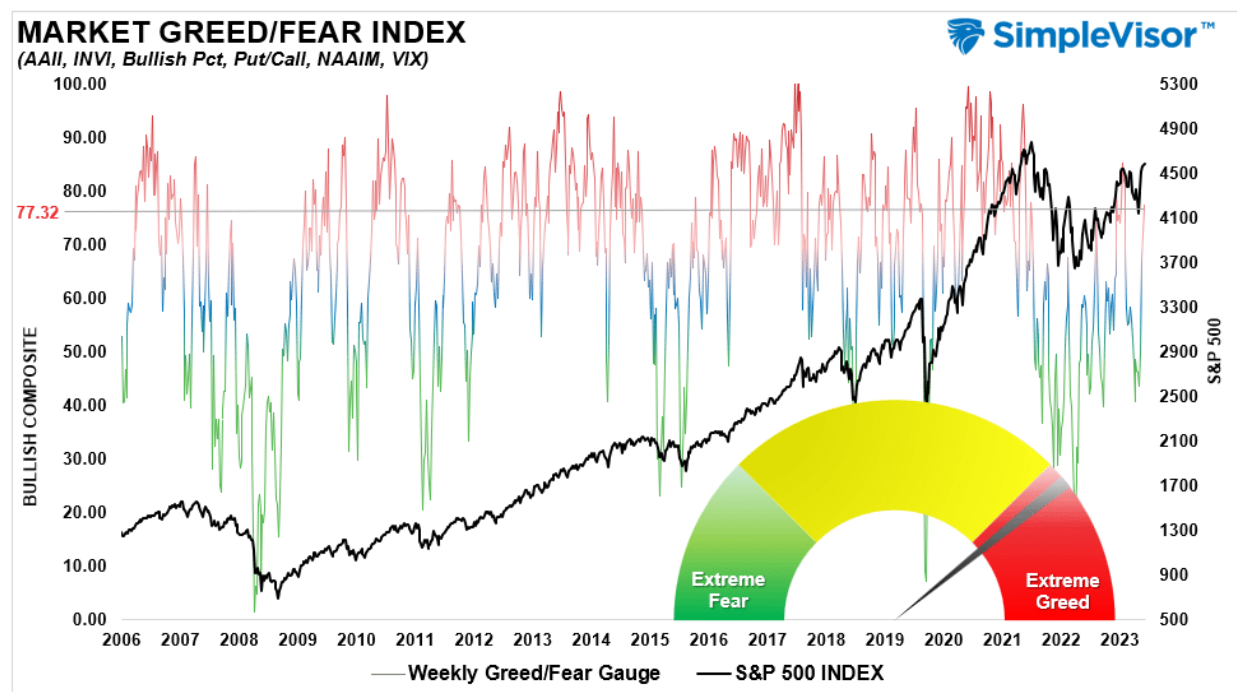
The current reading is 77.92 out of a possible 100.



Portfolio Positioning "Fear / Greed" Gauge

The "Fear/Greed" gauge is how individual and professional investors are "positioning" themselves in the market based on their equity exposure. From a contrarian position, the higher the allocation to equities, the more likely the market is closer to a correction than not. The gauge uses weekly closing data.

NOTE: The Fear/Greed Index measures risk from 0 to 100. It is a rarity that it reaches levels above 90. The current reading is 77.32 out of a possible 100.



Relative Sector Analysis

Relative Analysis of Sectors against SPY

(click sector symbol for sector details including a relative analysis of its top ten holdings)

Energy (XLE) -0.74 >>	Consumer Staples (XLP) -0.46 >>	Health Care (XLV) -0.34 >>	Communication Services (XLC) -0.26 >>	Utilities (XLU) -0.18 >>	Materials (XLB) -0.07 >>
Industrials (XLI) 0.11 >>	Transportation (XTN) 0.19 >>	Real Estate (XLRE) 0.33 >>	Financial (XLF) 0.33 >>	Technology (XLK) 0.35 >>	Consumer Discretionary (XLY) 0.38 >>

Overbought - could be a good time to reduce holdings. **Oversold** - could be a good time to increase holdings

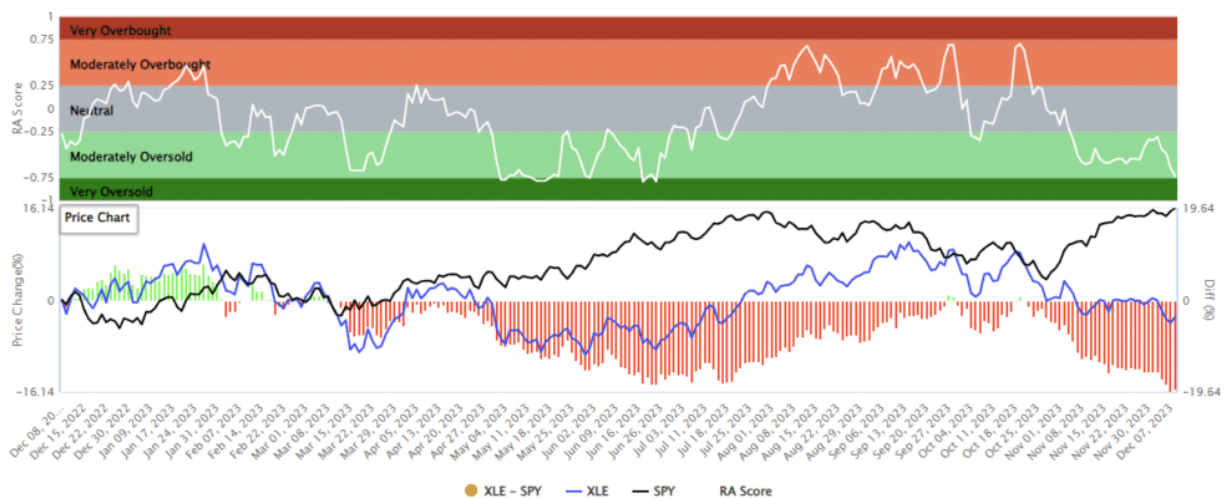
About Relative Analysis

This analysis uses the price ratio of two securities to establish a relative technical score. 13 technical measures are applied to the ratio to determine the score. The score tells us how one stock compares to another stock. We like to compare sector ETFs to the S&P 500 to help assess relative strength or weakness of the sectors.

Quite often scores of +.75 or greater are good times to reduce holdings and -.75 are good times to buy. However, scores can stay extremely overbought or sold for a few weeks so at times patience is required.

Most Oversold Sector Analysis

XLE (Energy) / SPY - Analysis



Description

In seeking to track the performance of the index, the fund employs a replication strategy. It generally invests substantially all, but at least 95%, of its total assets in the securities comprising the index. The index includes companies that have been identified as Energy companies by the GICS®, including securities of companies from the following industries: oil, gas and consumable fuels; and energy equipment and services. It is non-diversified.

Latest Price (Jan 20, 1970, 10:47:49 AM)

\$82.23 ▲ (\$0.88) (1.08%)

Last Close

\$81.35

Open

\$81.89

Volume

16,918,826

Annual Div.

\$2.16

52 Week Range

\$75.36

\$93.69

Day Range

\$81.73

Avg. Volume (3m)

N/A

Div. Yield

2.66%

Symbol	Name	Holdings	COP/	MPC/	PSX/	PXD/	SLB/	VLO/	WMB/	CVX/	EOG/	XLE/	XOM/	
XOM	Exxon Mobil Corp	22.11%	0.00	0.17	0.78	-0.18	-0.87	0.14	0.38	-0.07	-0.16	0.03	-0.54	COP
CVX	Chevron Corp	16.92%	-0.17	0.00	0.64	-0.34	-0.76	-0.05	0.31	-0.06	-0.17	-0.06	-0.26	MPC
EOG	EOG Resources Inc	4.76%	-0.78	-0.64	0.00	-0.79	-0.84	-0.79	-0.68	-0.54	-0.77	-0.83	-0.82	PSX
COP	ConocoPhillips	4.54%	0.18	0.34	0.79	0.00	-0.47	0.16	0.73	0.09	0.00	0.16	0.05	PXD
MPC	Marathon Petroleum Corp	4.51%	0.87	0.76	0.84	0.47	0.00	0.75	0.77	0.65	0.66	0.74	0.59	SLB
PSX	Phillips 66	4.34%	-0.14	0.05	0.79	-0.16	-0.75	0.00	0.32	-0.16	-0.25	-0.25	-0.51	VLO
SLB	SLB	4.17%	-0.38	-0.31	0.68	-0.73	-0.77	-0.32	0.00	-0.35	-0.43	-0.41	-0.39	WMB
PXD	Pioneer Natural Resources Co	4.08%	0.07	0.06	0.54	-0.09	-0.65	0.16	0.35	0.00	-0.05	0.14	-0.15	CVX
WMB	Williams Companies Inc	3.38%	0.16	0.17	0.77	0.00	-0.66	0.25	0.43	0.05	0.00	0.10	-0.35	EOG
VLO	Valero Energy Corp	3.34%	-0.03	0.06	0.83	-0.16	-0.74	0.25	0.41	-0.14	-0.10	0.00	-0.55	XLE
			0.54	0.26	0.82	-0.05	-0.59	0.51	0.39	0.15	0.35	0.55	0.00	XOM

Sector Model Analysis & Risk Ranges

How To Read This Table

- The table compares the relative performance of each sector and market to the S&P 500 index.
- "MA XVER" (Moving Average Crossover) is determined by the short-term weekly moving average crossing positively or negatively with the long-term weekly moving average.
- The risk range is a function of the month-end closing price and the "beta" of the sector or market. (Ranges reset on the 1st of each month)
- The table shows the price deviation above and below the weekly moving averages.

Most sectors and markets are trading within their respective monthly ranges, with the exception of transportation, small-capitalization stocks, and bonds, which are overbought. Notably, despite the "bullish bias" to the market as of late, many sectors and markets are still trading with bearish moving average crossovers on a weekly basis. The return of a long-term trending bull market will be signified by a reversal of those crossovers. For now, markets are technically stretched, so use corrective pullbacks to add exposure as needed.

RELATIVE PERFORMANCE		Current	PERFORMANCE RELATIVE TO S&P 500 INDEX					SHORT	LONG WMA	MONTH END	REL S&P	RISK RANGE		% DEV -	% DEV -	M/A XVER
Ticker	ETF NAME	Price	1 Week	4 Week	12 Weeks	24 Weeks	52 Weeks	WMA	LONG WMA	PRICE	BETA	HIGH	LOW	Short M/A	Long M/A	SIGNAL
IVV	ISHARS-SP500	462.35	0.26	4.45	3.42	6.18	17.05	440.33	437.53	458.42	1.00	469.88	446.96	5%	0%	BULLISH
XLB	SPDR-MATLS SELS	81.93	(1.97)	1.46	(3.15)	(3.34)	(15.87)	78.92	80.21	82.41	1.06	85.35	79.47	4%	2%	BEARISH
XLC	SPDR-COMM SV SS	70.48	0.85	(1.51)	0.98	3.85	25.51	67.68	65.35	69.77	1.02	72.23	67.31	4%	6%	BULLISH
XLE	SPDR-EOY SELS	82.23	(3.55)	(5.99)	(14.05)	6.12	(17.59)	87.13	84.78	84.58	1.28	87.78	81.38	-5%	-3%	BULLISH
XLK	SPDR-FINL SELS	36.13	(0.39)	2.19	0.31	4.18	(12.41)	33.97	33.73	35.90	1.08	37.19	34.61	6%	7%	BULLISH
XLK	SPDR-TECH SELS	186.66	0.32	(0.47)	7.09	4.58	25.54	172.83	168.55	185.15	1.13	191.89	178.43	8%	15%	BULLISH
XLI	SPDR-INDU SELS	108.96	(0.06)	1.80	0.35	(0.58)	(7.96)	103.02	103.87	107.05	1.10	110.90	103.20	6%	5%	BEARISH
XLP	SPDR-CONS STPL	70.11	(1.45)	(2.78)	(6.12)	(11.15)	(24.66)	69.23	72.47	70.66	0.61	72.86	68.46	1%	-3%	BEARISH
XLRE	SPDR-RE SELS	37.90	(0.55)	6.76	(0.41)	(0.49)	(18.09)	35.06	36.36	37.23	0.90	38.49	35.97	8%	4%	BEARISH
XLU	SPDR-UTIL SELS	63.41	(0.45)	0.68	(5.78)	(8.67)	(27.52)	61.11	64.14	62.76	0.56	64.68	60.84	4%	-1%	BEARISH
XLV	SPDR-HLTH CR	132.07	(0.08)	0.15	(3.51)	(6.12)	(21.33)	129.40	131.21	131.31	0.67	135.48	127.14	2%	1%	BEARISH
XLV	SPDR-CONS DISCR	173.19	0.96	2.86	(2.61)	(1.50)	7.17	163.30	162.42	168.78	1.19	175.01	162.55	6%	7%	BULLISH
XTN	SPDR-SP TRANSP	79.04	1.89	9.73	(1.88)	(5.42)	(4.74)	73.58	76.83	74.69	1.36	77.57	71.81	7%	3%	BEARISH
SDY	SPDR-SP DIV ETF	121.25	(0.23)	1.74	(2.26)	(4.58)	(22.40)	116.18	120.10	119.65	0.87	123.68	115.62	4%	1%	BEARISH
RSP	INVS-SPS EQ ETF	150.57	(0.24)	2.52	(1.40)	(2.17)	(12.51)	142.84	145.57	148.30	1.07	153.59	143.01	5%	3%	BEARISH
SPSM	SPDR-PRT SC	39.23	1.00	5.14	(0.29)	(0.77)	(13.81)	36.76	37.68	37.66	1.14	39.63	36.29	7%	4%	BEARISH
MDY	SPDR-SP MC 400	481.55	0.02	3.53	(0.65)	(1.18)	(10.30)	455.74	464.17	468.83	1.12	485.81	451.85	6%	4%	BEARISH
EEM	ISHARS-EMG MKT	39.01	(2.08)	(2.72)	(3.73)	(6.58)	(17.07)	38.37	39.13	39.56	0.75	40.84	38.28	2%	0%	BEARISH
EFA	ISHARS-EAFE	73.14	(0.32)	1.40	(0.96)	(3.10)	(7.74)	69.75	71.38	72.42	0.86	74.85	69.99	5%	2%	BEARISH
IAU	ISHARS-GOLD TR	37.90	(3.61)	(1.01)	0.84	(1.91)	(5.74)	36.89	36.96	38.54	0.17	39.57	37.51	3%	3%	BEARISH
GDX	VANECK-GOLD MNR	29.68	(6.96)	4.47	(3.56)	(6.54)	(14.95)	28.75	30.17	31.32	0.85	32.37	30.27	3%	-2%	BEARISH
UUP	INVS-DB USS BU	29.46	0.63	(5.72)	(3.29)	(2.25)	(13.17)	29.60	28.80	29.29	(0.17)	29.97	28.61	0%	2%	BULLISH
BOND	PIMCO-ACTV BOND	90.40	0.14	(1.06)	(2.28)	(7.53)	(18.56)	87.93	89.99	89.68	0.20	92.10	87.26	3%	0%	BEARISH
TLT	ISHARS-20+YTB	94.54	1.40	3.86	(1.72)	(14.88)	(28.14)	88.94	96.07	91.56	0.12	93.56	89.16	6%	-2%	BEARISH
BNOX	VANGD-TTL INT B	49.62	0.10	(1.78)	(0.63)	(4.56)	(15.53)	48.27	48.48	49.23	0.15	50.53	47.93	3%	2%	BEARISH
HYG	ISHARS-IBX HYCB	75.86	(0.44)	(2.02)	(1.79)	(3.92)	(15.95)	73.93	74.39	75.71	0.44	77.93	73.49	3%	2%	BEARISH



RISK RANGE REPORT



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AIZ	Financial	10/10	\$167.68	\$137.78(-21.70%)	63.94	\$164.59(1.88%)	\$151.51(10.67%)	\$140.37(19.46%)	3	7	3	1.71%					
AKAM	Technology	10/10	\$114.41	\$108.36(-5.58%)	65.93	\$111.23(2.86%)	\$105.35(8.60%)	\$97.95(16.80%)	1	6	3	3.79%					
CBOE	Financial	10/10	\$178.72	\$180.73(1.11%)	67.94	\$170.59(4.77%)	\$157.90(13.19%)	\$147.16(21.45%)	5	7	2	1.21%					
CE	Materials	10/10	\$141.35	0	74.21	\$127.56(10.81%)	\$123.17(14.76%)	\$118.67(19.11%)	0	6	3	2.13%					
EXPE	Consumer Cyclical	10/10	\$145.50	0	78.41	\$129.69(12.19%)	\$112.40(29.45%)	\$112.20(29.68%)	1	8	3	%					
FICO	Technology	10/10	\$1,134.39	\$345.82(-228.03%)	75.18	\$1,033.31(9.78%)	\$944.00(20.17%)	\$887.63(27.80%)	—	7	3	%					
KEY	Financial	10/10	\$13.26	0	66.53	\$11.97(10.78%)	\$11.18(18.60%)	\$10.85(22.21%)	4	6	3	6.79%					
NRG	Utilities	10/10	\$47.81	0	66.80	\$46.02(3.89%)	\$41.95(13.97%)	\$38.77(23.32%)	4	6	3	3.29%					
NTAP	Technology	10/10	\$89.39	\$73.20(-22.12%)	73.96	\$80.64(10.85%)	\$77.54(15.28%)	\$75.79(17.94%)	—	8	2	2.19%					
PANW	Technology	10/10	\$298.42	\$250.51(-19.12%)	73.09	\$255.82(16.65%)	\$247.91(20.37%)	\$243.53(22.54%)	5	4	3	%					
PHM	Consumer Cyclical	10/10	\$96.31	0	81.21	\$85.27(12.95%)	\$78.98(21.94%)	\$77.92(23.60%)	4	7	2	0.92%					
RCL	Consumer Cyclical	10/10	\$120.47	0	81.41	\$101.56(18.62%)	\$94.66(27.27%)	\$97.21(23.93%)	1	—	4	%					
SNPS	Technology	10/10	\$535.93	\$330.22(-62.29%)	77.53	\$505.18(6.09%)	\$478.04(12.11%)	\$452.62(18.41%)	1	9	2	1.63%					
WRK	Consumer Cyclical	10/10	\$41.16	\$40.41(-1.86%)	71.50	\$37.48(9.82%)	\$35.81(14.94%)	\$32.88(25.18%)	5	8	3	3.22%					
ZION	Financial	10/10	\$38.93	0	63.70	\$34.95(11.39%)	\$34.31(13.47%)	\$31.37(24.10%)	2	6	1	4.77%					
DLR	Real Estate	9/10	\$134.81	\$71.44(-88.70%)	54.83	\$133.57(0.93%)	\$128.06(5.27%)	\$119.83(12.50%)	1	8	3	3.75%					
KLAC	Technology	9/10	\$534.43	0	58.92	\$537.76(-0.62%)	\$497.05(7.52%)	\$486.70(9.81%)	5	7	3	1.04%					
AVGO	Technology	8/10	\$944.30	\$1,045.59(9.69%)	51.97	\$912.48(3.49%)	\$881.68(7.10%)	\$872.91(8.18%)	3	8	2	1.89%					
CEG	Utilities	8/10	\$111.21	0	37.69	\$119.86(-7.22%)	\$114.50(-2.87%)	\$102.76(8.22%)	—	—	—	0.96%					
NCLH	Consumer Cyclical	8/10	\$18.68	0	77.91	\$14.89(25.45%)	\$15.17(23.14%)	\$16.44(13.63%)	—	1	3	%					

Momentum Screen

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AZO	Consumer Cyclical	10/10	\$2,620.49	\$3,170.52(17.35%)	62.11	\$2,597.67(0.88%)	\$2,537.48(3.27%)	\$2,543.26(3.04%)	5	7	3	%	
FICO	Technology	10/10	\$1,134.39	\$345.82(-228.03%)	75.18	\$1,033.31(9.78%)	\$944.00(20.17%)	\$887.63(27.80%)	—	7	3	%	
IT	Technology	10/10	\$452.00	\$158.74(-184.74%)	77.88	\$404.32(11.79%)	\$369.81(22.22%)	\$350.19(29.07%)	6	7	3	%	
LULU	Consumer Cyclical	10/10	\$489.64	\$338.50(-44.65%)	70.92	\$414.30(18.18%)	\$395.64(23.76%)	\$386.74(26.61%)	6	7	3	%	
NOW	Technology	10/10	\$699.08	\$494.65(-41.33%)	76.65	\$657.16(6.38%)	\$598.09(16.89%)	\$585.74(19.35%)	7	5	3	%	
PANW	Technology	10/10	\$298.42	\$250.51(-19.12%)	73.09	\$255.82(16.65%)	\$247.91(20.37%)	\$243.53(22.54%)	5	4	3	%	
SNPS	Technology	10/10	\$535.93	\$330.22(-62.29%)	77.53	\$505.18(6.09%)	\$478.04(12.11%)	\$452.62(18.41%)	1	9	2	1.63%	
BKNG	Consumer Cyclical	9/10	\$3,275.00		68.42	\$3,099.01(5.68%)	\$3,030.25(8.08%)	\$2,904.29(12.76%)	2	6	3	%	
LRCX	Technology	9/10	\$703.17	\$1,026.80(31.52%)	71.05	\$648.62(8.41%)	\$638.32(10.16%)	\$649.76(8.22%)	4	—	3	1.14%	
NFLX	Communication Ser.	9/10	\$453.76	\$236.97(-91.48%)	78.70	\$451.53(0.49%)	\$410.23(10.61%)	\$420.12(8.01%)	4	—	5	%	
BA	Industrials	8/10	\$244.70	\$58.75(-316.51%)	80.50	\$198.18(23.47%)	\$202.40(20.90%)	\$211.90(15.48%)	3	4	4	%	
BLK	Financial	8/10	\$744.73	\$516.64(-44.15%)	78.91	\$650.41(14.50%)	\$661.17(12.64%)	\$678.53(9.76%)	2	6	3	2.80%	
CMG	Consumer Cyclical	8/10	\$2,242.95	\$1,022.39(-119.38%)	71.66	\$2,110.36(6.28%)	\$1,974.07(13.62%)	\$2,008.48(11.67%)	1	7	3	1.90%	
REGN	Healthcare	8/10	\$840.14		65.85	\$814.46(3.15%)	\$815.80(2.98%)	\$782.41(7.38%)	4	6	3	%	
ULTA	Consumer Cyclical	8/10	\$482.16		80.00	\$418.66(15.17%)	\$405.23(18.98%)	\$436.95(10.35%)	4	7	3	%	
EQIX	Real Estate	7/10	\$801.77	\$190.15(-321.65%)	62.61	\$779.91(2.80%)	\$757.46(5.85%)	\$759.37(5.58%)	1	5	3	2.18%	
NVR	Consumer Cyclical	7/10	\$6,535.89		66.16	\$6,098.11(7.18%)	\$6,007.15(8.80%)	\$6,077.85(7.54%)	1	7	2	%	
SHW	Materials	7/10	\$289.82	\$173.32(-67.22%)	74.34	\$251.63(15.18%)	\$255.27(13.53%)	\$251.97(15.02%)	1	5	4	0.95%	
URI	Industrials	7/10	\$495.06	\$499.14(0.82%)	61.75	\$440.54(12.38%)	\$447.15(10.71%)	\$439.86(12.55%)	3	8	3	1.47%	
EFX	Industrials	6/10	\$228.38	\$56.89(-301.44%)	77.16	\$191.50(19.26%)	\$188.79(20.97%)	\$200.45(13.93%)	5	6	3	0.88%	


Fundamental & Technical Strength

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AMD	Technology	10/10	\$128.92		67.82	\$120.30(7.17%)	\$110.69(16.47%)	\$109.04(18.23%)	5	7	1	%	
AZO	Consumer Cyclical	10/10	\$2,620.49	\$3,170.52(17.35%)	62.11	\$2,597.67(0.88%)	\$2,537.48(3.27%)	\$2,543.26(3.04%)	5	7	3	%	
CBOE	Financial	10/10	\$178.72	\$180.73(1.11%)	67.94	\$170.59(4.77%)	\$157.90(13.19%)	\$147.16(21.45%)	5	7	2	1.21%	
CE	Materials	10/10	\$141.35		74.21	\$127.56(10.81%)	\$123.17(14.76%)	\$118.67(19.11%)	0	6	3	2.13%	
EXPE	Consumer Cyclical	10/10	\$145.50		78.41	\$129.69(12.19%)	\$112.40(29.45%)	\$112.20(29.68%)	1	8	3	%	
GRMN	Technology	10/10	\$124.59	\$44.16(-182.13%)	75.26	\$116.40(7.04%)	\$108.87(14.44%)	\$106.73(16.73%)	—	3	4	2.41%	
IT	Technology	10/10	\$452.00	\$158.74(-184.74%)	77.88	\$404.32(11.79%)	\$369.81(22.22%)	\$350.19(29.07%)	6	7	3	%	
LULU	Consumer Cyclical	10/10	\$489.64	\$338.50(-44.65%)	70.92	\$414.30(18.18%)	\$395.64(23.76%)	\$386.74(26.61%)	6	7	3	%	
PHM	Consumer Cyclical	10/10	\$96.31		81.21	\$85.27(12.95%)	\$78.98(21.94%)	\$77.92(23.60%)	4	7	2	0.92%	
RCL	Consumer Cyclical	10/10	\$120.47		81.41	\$101.56(18.62%)	\$94.66(27.27%)	\$97.21(23.93%)	1	—	4	%	
ROST	Consumer Cyclical	10/10	\$132.08	\$111.56(-18.39%)	71.36	\$125.42(5.31%)	\$119.73(10.31%)	\$113.46(16.41%)	3	9	4	1.12%	
BKNG	Consumer Cyclical	9/10	\$3,275.00		68.42	\$3,099.01(5.68%)	\$3,030.25(8.08%)	\$2,904.29(12.76%)	2	6	3	%	
DHI	Consumer Cyclical	9/10	\$138.46		68.74	\$117.14(18.20%)	\$116.41(18.94%)	\$113.45(22.04%)	3	7	1	0.94%	
DLR	Real Estate	9/10	\$134.81	\$71.44(-88.70%)	54.83	\$133.57(0.93%)	\$128.06(5.27%)	\$119.83(12.50%)	1	8	3	3.75%	
ETN	Industrials	9/10	\$232.31	\$75.57(-207.41%)	62.93	\$220.51(5.35%)	\$216.96(7.08%)	\$199.35(16.53%)	7	8	3	1.50%	
LRCX	Technology	9/10	\$703.17	\$1,026.80(31.52%)	71.05	\$648.62(8.41%)	\$638.32(10.16%)	\$649.76(8.22%)	4	—	3	1.14%	
NFLX	Communication Ser	9/10	\$453.76	\$236.97(-91.48%)	78.70	\$451.53(0.49%)	\$410.23(10.61%)	\$420.12(8.01%)	4	—	5	%	

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