

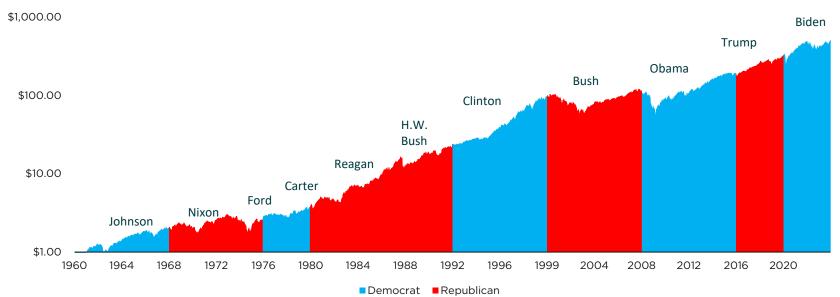
# WEALTH MANAGEMENT FORUM

MARKET REVIEW & ECONOMIC OUTLOOK FEBRUARY 2024



#### POLITICAL REGIMES HAVE LITTLE BEARING ON MARKET RETURNS

#### Growth of \$1 (January 1960 - December 2023)

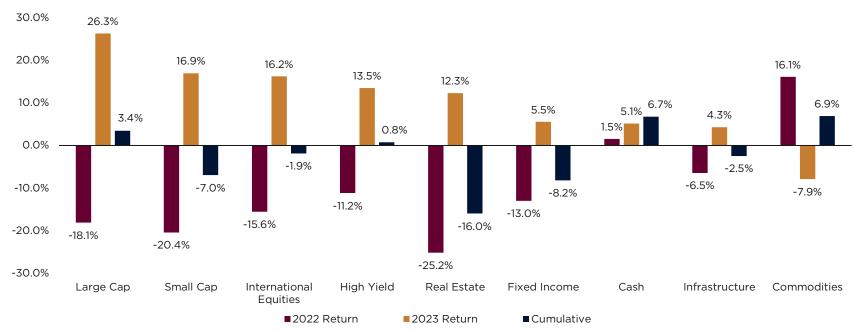


NOTE: THE CHART ABOVE SHOWS THE HYPOTHETICAL GROWTH OF \$1 INVESTED IN THE \$\$ 500 INDEX STARTING JANUARY 4TH, 1960. JANUARY RETURNS IN INAUGURATION YEARS ARE ASSUMED TO BE UNDER THE PARTY THAT IS BEING INAUGURATED. RETURNS INCLUDE REINVESTMENT OF DIVIDENDS. THIS CHART SHOULD NOT BE INTERPRETED AS AN ENDORSEMENT OF ANY POLITICAL PARTY.

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#### RECOVERY ACROSS ASSET CLASSES IN 2023



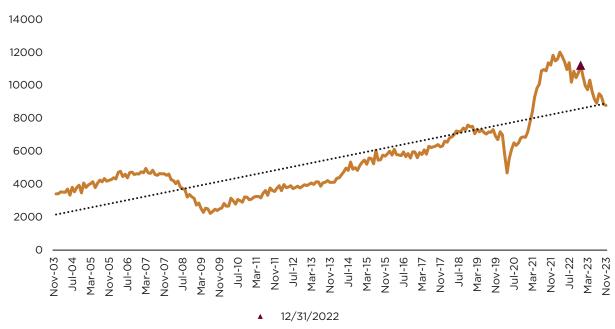
NOTE: LARGE CAP = S&P 500; SMALL CAP = RUSSELL 2000; INTERNATIONAL EQUITIES = MSCI ACWI EX US; HIGH YIELD = BLOOMBERG US HIGH YIELD; FIXED INCOME = BLOOMBERG US AGGREGATE; INFRASTRUCTURE = DOW JONES BROOKFIELD GLOBAL INFRASTRUCTURE; REAL ESTATE = DOW JONES US REAL ESTATE; CASH = BLOOMBERG 1-3 MO. T-BILL; COMMODITIES = BLOOMBERG COMMODITIES INDEX.

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## SIGNS OF SLOWDOWN: JOB OPENINGS NORMALIZE

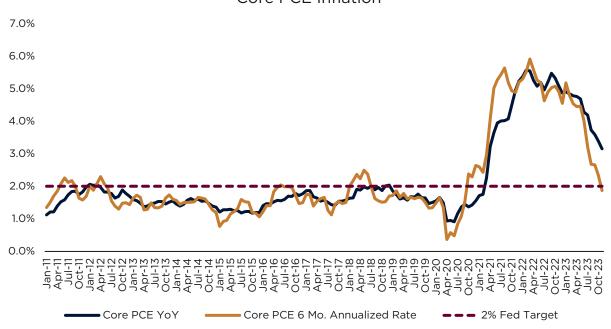






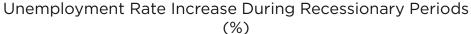
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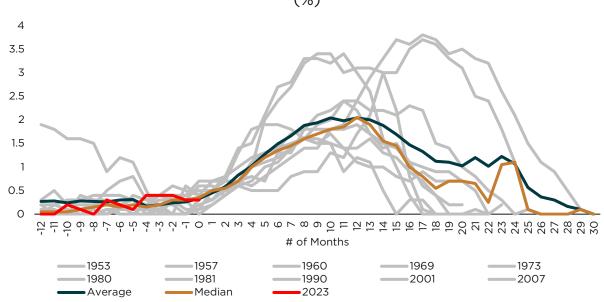






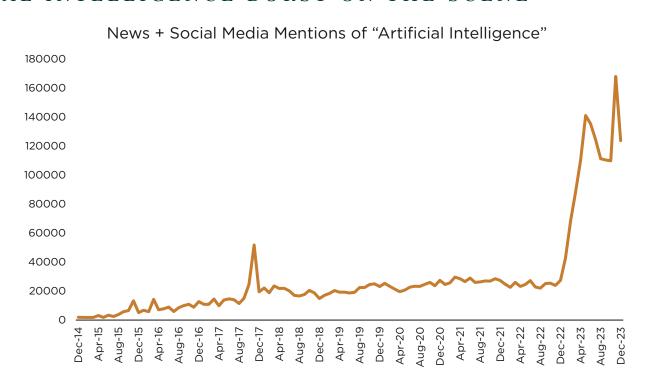
#### WE ARE WATCHING THE LABOR MARKET CLOSELY







#### ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE BURST ON THE SCENE





## THE "MAGNIFICENT 7" DOMINATED EQUITY MARKETS IN 2023

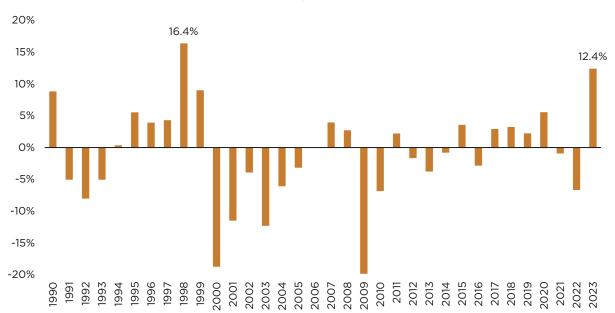
#### Distribution of 2023 S&P 500 Return Contribution





#### RESULTING IN AN EXTREME PERFORMANCE YEAR FOR THE S&P 500

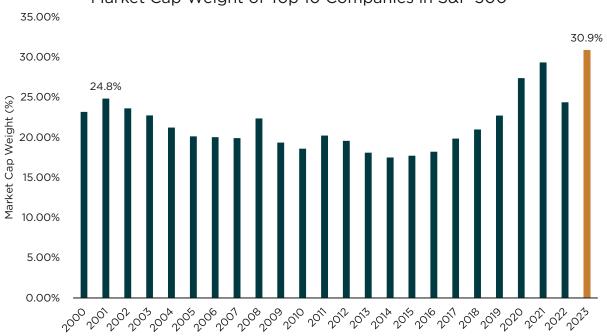
Total Return Difference Between Cap Weighted S&P 500 vs. Equal Weighted S&P 500





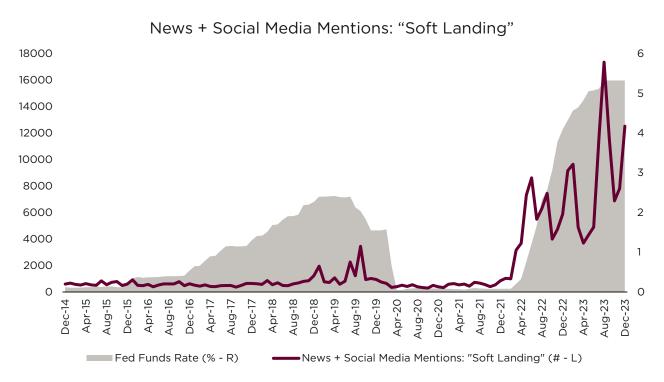
#### THE HIGHEST LEVELS OF MARKET CONCENTRATION IN DECADES





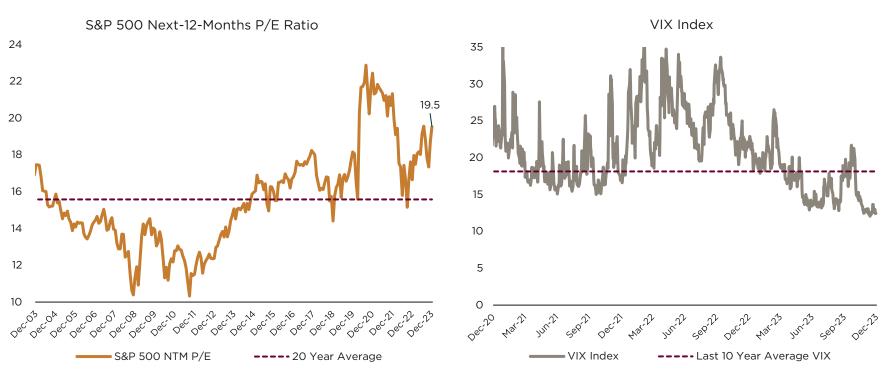


## SOFT LANDING NARRATIVE BECOMING BROAD CONSENSUS





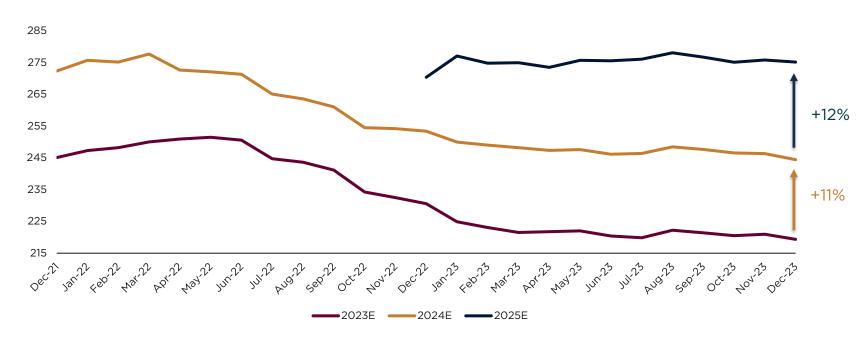
### WHERE DOES THAT LEAVE US? MARKETS PRICING FOR LITTLE RISK





#### THE MARKET IS EXPECTING AN ACCELERATION IN EARNINGS

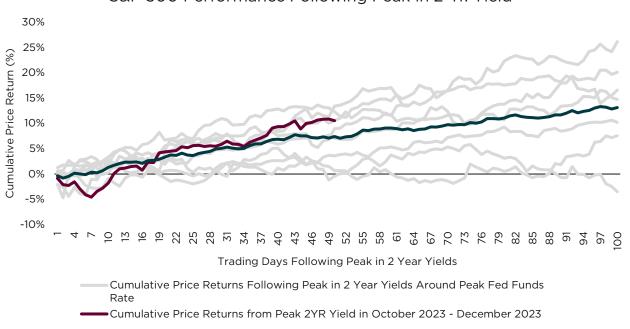
#### S&P 500 Earnings Estimates





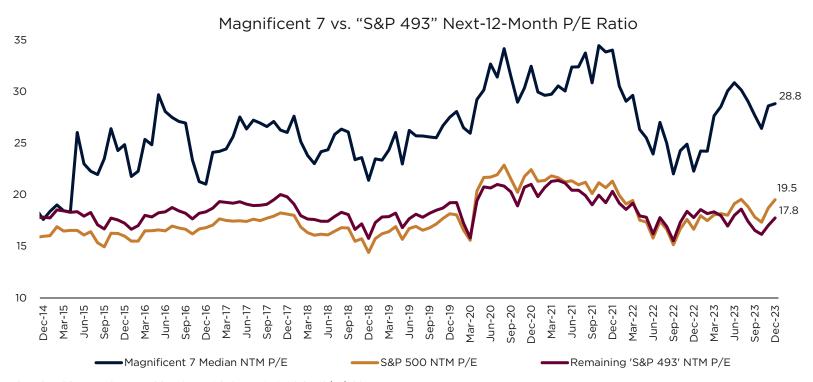
#### MARKETS OFTEN PERFORM WELL AT THE END OF FED CYCLES

#### S&P 500 Performance Following Peak in 2-Yr. Yield





#### VALUATION RISKS ARE CONCENTRATED





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