

## The Flow Show

## The Bros, the Base &amp; the Billionaires

**Scores on the Doors:** gold 27.7%, stocks 6.7%, govt bonds 6.1%, IG 5.8%, HY bonds 5.0%, cash 1.8%, commodities -1.7%, US dollar -8.9%, crypto -10.0%, oil -12.4% YTD.

**Zeitgeist I:** “Trump cuts taxes like a Republican, spends like a Democrat, DOGE was a bust, tariffs are a bust, so only way he gets the deficit down to 3% of GDP is via max pumping GDP and hoping Bessent can sweet talk the vigilantes,” bond bear.

**Zeitgeist II:** “It’s like the ‘80s deregulation boom and the ‘90s tech boom all at the same time,” stock bull.

**Zeitgeist III:** “If the US is so exceptional, why does it need tariffs?” dollar bear.

**Zeitgeist IV:** “A year ago with all the student debt forgiveness stuff I was dreaming I might not need to save to put the kids through college, but now with all this AI stuff I’ll need to work longer and save more to fund my jobless kids after college,” NJ dad.

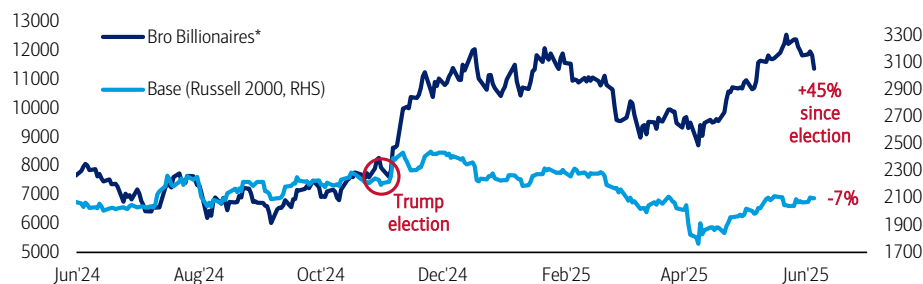
**The Price is Right:** broker-dealers @ 16-year high vs. homebuilders (Chart 3) as Gen Z/Millennials shun unaffordable housing, choose to save for future/hedge AI via stocks & crypto (U-rate of 20-24 year old graduates 6% past 3 months, up from 4% in Dec’23).

**Tale of the Tape:** US dollar breaking down despite 5% Treasury yields (Chart 4) because US government spending \$7 trillion, revenues \$5tn, deficit \$2tn, national debt \$36tn, Big Beautiful Bill set to raise debt by \$1.5tn before ‘28 election, House/Senate to raise debt ceiling \$4-5tn with July passage of bill.

**The Biggest Picture:** “bro billionaire” stock basket +45% since election, Trump “base” Russell 2000 -7%...tariffs, tax cuts, reshoring, deregulation, but no bid for the little guys.

### Chart 2: The Bro Billionaires vs the Base

“Bro Billionaire” stocks\* vs the Base stocks (Russell 2000, RHS)



Source: BofA Global Investment Strategy, Bloomberg

\*equal-weighted average of NVDA, META, PLTR, TSLA, IBKR, XBT, ARKK, COIN, APO

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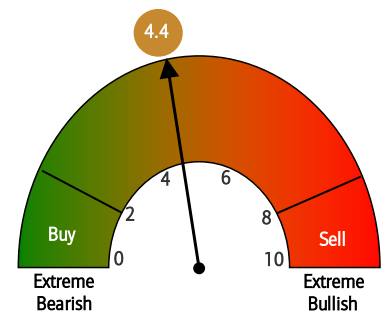
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### Chart 1: BofA Bull & Bear Indicator

Rises to 4.4 from 4.2



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**Weekly Flows:** \$94.8bn to cash, \$15.8bn to bonds, \$5.4bn to equities, \$1.9bn to gold, \$0.2bn from crypto.

**Weekly Flows to Know:**

- Cash: biggest inflow since Jan'25 (\$94.8bn);
- Crypto: 1<sup>st</sup> outflow in 7 weeks (\$0.2bn);
- IG & HY bonds: strongest 4-week inflow since Oct'24 (\$13.7bn this week);
- EM: strongest inflow to EM equities & debt in 8 weeks (\$4.8bn);
- Healthcare: biggest outflow since Dec'24 (\$1.3bn).

**YTD Flows to Know:** annualized flows thus far in '25...

- Cash...\$972bn inflow (3<sup>rd</sup> largest inflow year ever – Chart 12);
- Gold...\$75bn (record inflow year – Chart 13);
- Crypto...\$28bn inflow (2<sup>nd</sup> biggest year ever – Chart 14);
- Treasuries...\$166bn inflow (3<sup>rd</sup> largest ever – Chart 15);
- IG/HY bonds...\$263bn inflow (4<sup>th</sup> biggest year ever – Chart 16);
- Equities...\$515bn inflow (2<sup>nd</sup> biggest year ever – Chart 17);
- US equities...\$328bn inflow (3<sup>rd</sup> biggest year ever – Chart 18);
- Leveraged ETFs...\$21bn inflow...(2<sup>nd</sup> biggest year ever – Chart 19).

**BofA Private Clients:** \$3.9tn AUM...63.0% stocks, 19.0% bonds, 11.0% cash; equity allocation at 6-month high, bond allocation at 4-month low, cash allocation at 6-month low; in ETFs in past 4 weeks private clients buying utilities, staples, and Japan stocks past 4 weeks, selling dividend, energy, and municipal bonds.

**BofA Bull & Bear Indicator:** up to 4.4 from 4.1 on bullish inflows to HY & EM bonds, bullish breadth of global stock indices, smaller hedge fund longs in 2-year US Treasuries and Japanese yen futures.

**BofA Global Flow Trading Rule:** when flows to global equity & high yield bonds exceed 1.0% of AUM in 4 weeks...sell, and when outflows >1.0% of AUM...buy; past 4 weeks inflows to stocks/HY bonds = 0.9% of AUM, close to “sell signal” that would be triggered if global equity funds see inflows >\$30bn and HY bonds see inflows >\$1.5bn in coming weeks.

**BofA Global Breadth Rule:** when >88% of MSCI ACWI country stock indices trading above 50- & 200-day moving averages...sell, and when >88% trading below...buy; currently 84% trading >50/200dma...market overbought territory.

**On Price I:** YTD gold +27%, international stocks +16%, govt bonds +6%, corporate bonds +6%, US stocks +1%, US dollar -9%; Price & Positioning say long US dollar is summer pain trade, but Profits & Policy keep us long weak dollar plays, such as gold, Emerging Markets, international stocks (consensus is long US tech & global banks), better buyer of 5% yields than 6k stocks.

**On Price II:** Swiss bond yields out 5 years are now negative (Chart 5), as SNB expected to counter Swiss franc appreciation and Swiss CPI -0.1% deflation via (31% probability); prospect of NIRP (negative interest rate policy) returning in Europe (31% probability SNB takes policy rates negative June 19<sup>th</sup>) makes 5% bond yields attractive (UK 10-year gilt yield vs Swiss 10-year govt bond yield at highest since 1991 – Chart 6).



**On Payrolls:** May payrolls <75k = bond bullish, >175k bond bearish; note service sector ISM (activity index @ lowest level since May'20) correlated with payrolls (service sector = 72% of payrolls – Chart 10), suggests payroll trend is weakening.

**On Profits:** BofA Global EPS Model forecasts modest deceleration in consensus forward EPS from 7% YoY in May to 3% in Sept, driven by Asian export growth drop from 11% to 7%, global manufacturing PMIs trending ~50 range, easy-but-steady China financial conditions, lagged impact of US yield curve inversion (Chart 8); in US ISM business surveys remain highly correlated with profits and payrolls, inventory/sales ratios lead ISMs by 3 months, and currently predict in coming months manufacturing ISM up to 50-51 from 48.5, service sector ISM stays below 50; readings neither recessionary, but also inconsistent with EPS acceleration required to significantly extend big SPX jump from 5K to 6k (Chart 9), improve narrow breadth (SGX growth vs SGV value highest since Nov'21).

**On Policy:** Trump pivot from small back to big government, from tariffs to tax cuts = US macro positive; but we say 2025 policy shifts more bullish for Rest-of-World...1. 15 global central bank rate cuts in May (most since Dec'24 - Chart 11), and EM central banks driving monetary easing YTD (10 cuts last month, 29 YTD), 2. Trump geopolitical success via unheralded "Riyadh Accord" (Saudi/OPEC+ higher oil production in exchange for no Russia sanctions, military support for Middle East) caps oil prices, puts downward pressure on US gas prices (Chart 7), but really positive for Europe, Japan, China, India oil importers, 3. US deficits will remain large but see new fiscal excess in Europe/Asia.

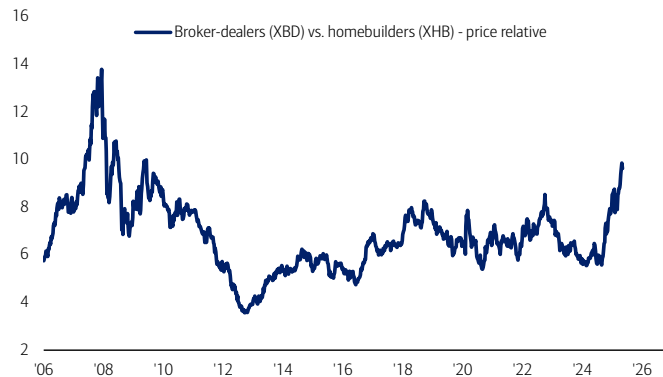
**Summer Policy Dates:** June 15<sup>th</sup> to July 4<sup>th</sup> likely sees tariff war shifting to peace, peak global defense spend expectations, US tax cuts cemented...

- June 15<sup>th</sup>: G7 Summit (Canada)...expect trade deals announced in advance;
- June 19<sup>th</sup>: SNB meeting...21% probability Swiss reintroduce Negative Interest Rate Policy (NIRP);
- June 24<sup>th</sup>: NATO summit (Netherlands)...32 members commit to spend 3.5% of GDP of defense, 5% of GDP on national security by 2032;
- July 4<sup>th</sup>: Trump potentially signs "The One Big Beautiful Bill Act" into law (target date for GOP lawmakers);
- July 6<sup>th</sup>: BRICS summit (Brazil)...no official confirmation of Xi/Putin attendance;
- July 8<sup>th</sup>: Trump 90-day pause on reciprocal tariffs with 57 countries ends (US tariff rate would jump from 10% to 20%), likely ends without a bang;
- July (late): mooted China-EU summit (Beijing);
- Sep 3<sup>rd</sup>: Putin to visit China for 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary of end of World War II;
- Sep 17<sup>th</sup>: FOMC...98% probability of rate cut.

**AI & Bonds:** "Is AI bullish or bearish for US Treasuries?" = big existential question; AI = bullish bonds if U-rate rises allowing productivity (trend = 1.5%) up, unit labor costs down (trend), and inflation falls; AI = bearish if AI causes equity bubble (= higher yields), higher oil prices given energy needs, forces governments to combat AI unemployment via higher deficits/Fed to support deficits via QE/YCC (US dollar -ve); most bond investors believe best to navigate via yield curve steepeners.

**Chart 3: Broker-dealers at 16-year high vs. homebuilders**

Broker-dealers (XBD) vs. homebuilders (XHB) – price relative

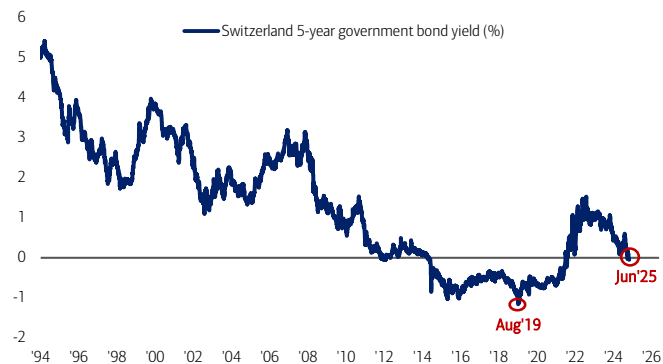


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**Chart 5: Swiss 5-year bond yields now negative**

Switzerland 5-year government bond yield %

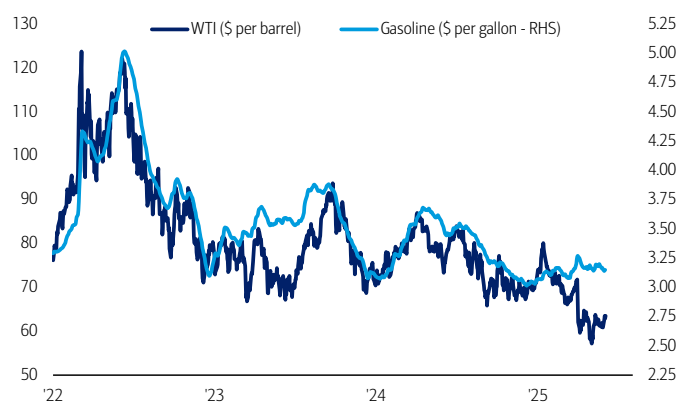


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**Chart 7: Trump geopolitics a “win” as energy & gasoline prices down**

WTI (\$ per barrel) and gasoline (\$ per gallon)



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**Chart 4: US dollar breaking down despite Treasury yields at 5%**

US dollar (DXY) vs US 10-year Treasury yield

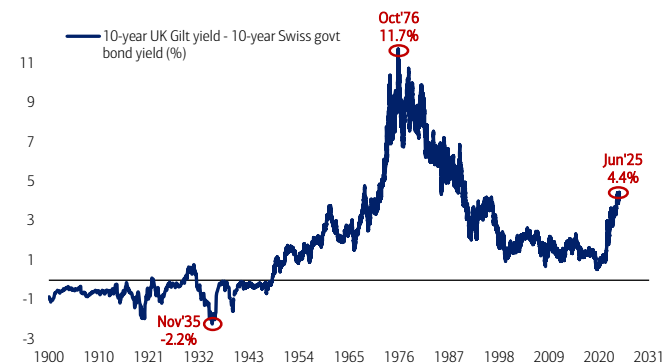


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**Chart 6: UK 10Y yield at highest vs Swiss 10Y yield since 1991**

Spread: 10-year UK Gilt yield – 10-year Swiss government bond yield



Source: BofA Global Investment Strategy, Bloomberg, GFD Finaeon

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**Chart 8: BofA Global EPS Model points to slower profit growth**

BofA Global EPS growth model vs MSCI ACWI 12m fwd EPS (YoY %)



Source: BofA Global Investment Strategy, Datastream, IBES, MSCI; The performance prior to March 2018 is back-tested and does not represent the actual performance of any account or fund. Back-tested performance depicts the theoretical (not actual) performance of a particular strategy over the time period indicated. No representation is being made that any actual portfolio is likely to have achieved returns similar to those shown herein.

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**Chart 9: ISM manufacturing PMI not suggesting big EPS acceleration**

ISM manufacturing PMI and S&amp;P 500 12-month forward EPS (YoY %)

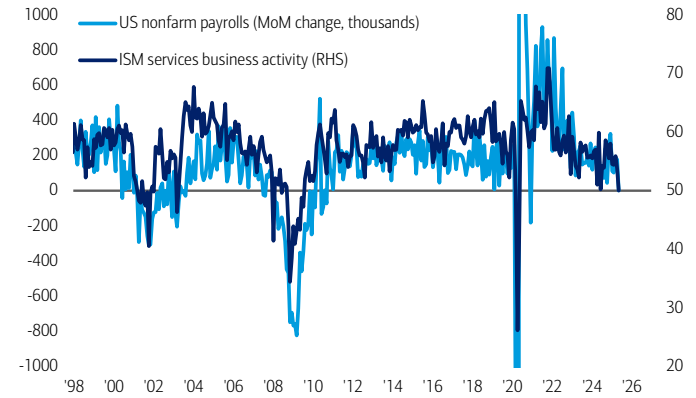


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**Chart 10: US payrolls very correlated with service sector activity**

US NFP (monthly chg) vs. ISM services business activity

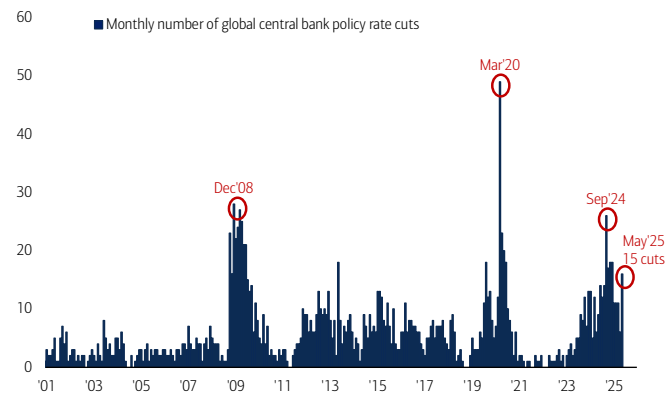


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**Chart 11: Central banks cut rates at fastest pace in 2025 last month**

Number of global policy rate cuts per month

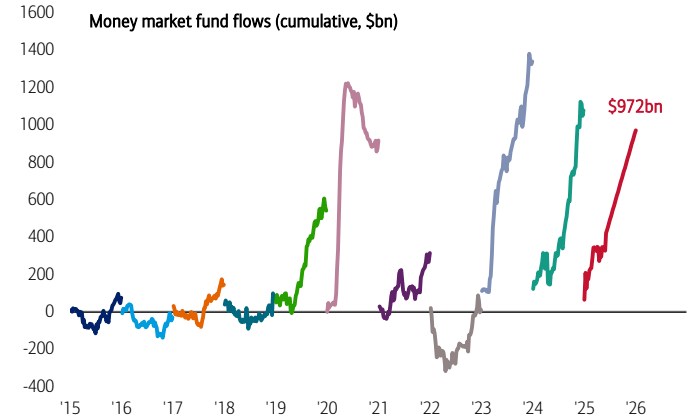


Source: BofA Global Investment Strategy, Bloomberg. Large sample of 100+ central banks.

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**Chart 12: 2025 tracking 3<sup>rd</sup> largest inflow year to cash ever**

Money market fund flows (annual cumulative, \$bn)

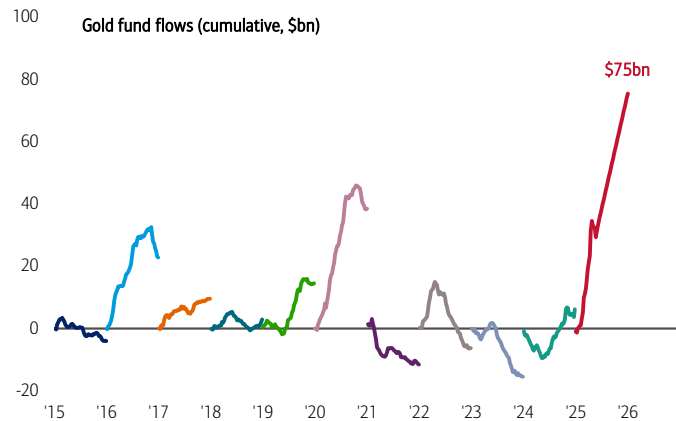


Source: BofA Global Investment Strategy, EPFR. \*2025 YTD annualized

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**Chart 13: Inflows to gold annualizing record \$75bn YTD**

Gold fund flows (annual cumulative, \$bn)

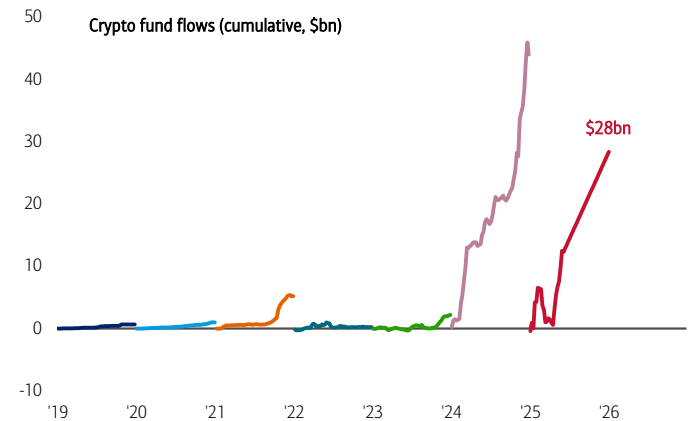


Source: BofA Global Investment Strategy, EPFR. \*2025 YTD annualized

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**Chart 14: 2025 tracking 2<sup>nd</sup> biggest inflow year to crypto**

Crypto fund flows (annual cumulative, \$bn)

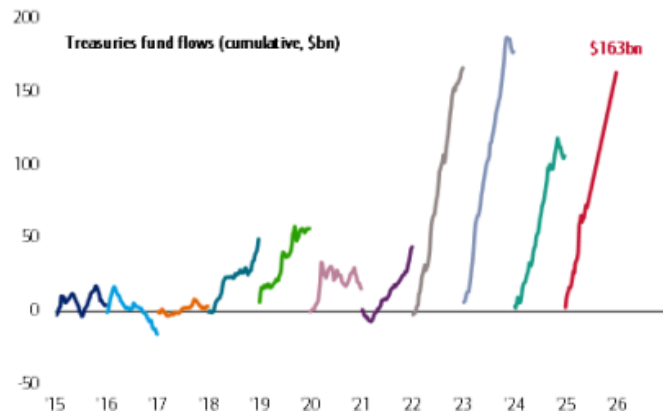


Source: BofA Global Investment Strategy, EPFR. \*2025 YTD annualized

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**Chart 15: 2025 tracking 3<sup>rd</sup> biggest inflow year to Treasuries**

Treasuries fund flows (annual cumulative, \$bn)

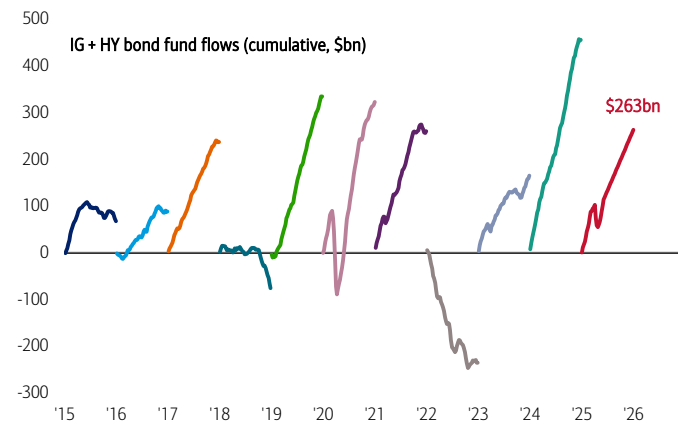


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**Chart 16: 2025 tracking 4<sup>th</sup> biggest inflow year to IG + HY bonds**

IG + HY bond fund flows (annual cumulative, \$bn)

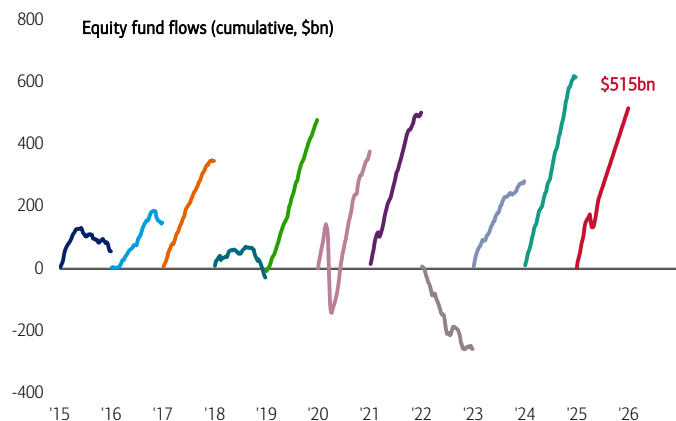


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**Chart 17: 2025 tracking 2<sup>nd</sup> biggest inflow year to equities**

Equity fund flows (annual cumulative, \$bn)

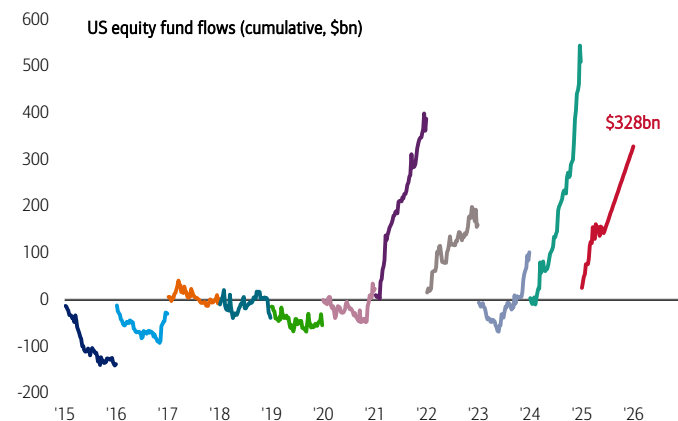


Source: BofA Global Investment Strategy, EPFR. \*2025 YTD annualized

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**Chart 18: 2025 tracking 3<sup>rd</sup> biggest inflow year to US equities**

US equity fund flows (annual cumulative, \$bn)

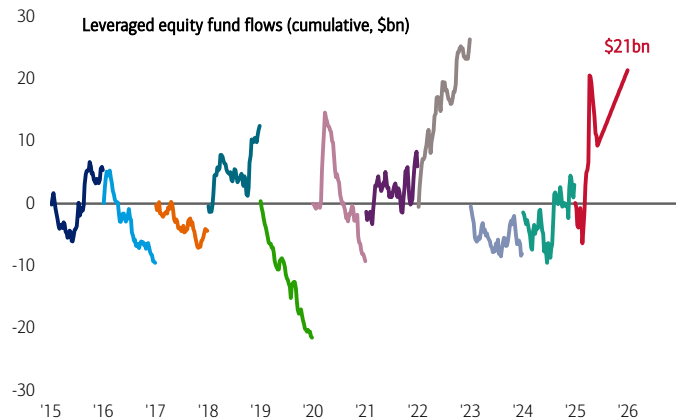


Source: BofA Global Investment Strategy, EPFR. \*2025 YTD annualized

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**Chart 19: 2025 tracking 2<sup>nd</sup> biggest inflow year to leveraged equities**

Leveraged equity fund flows (annual cumulative, \$bn)



Source: BofA Global Investment Strategy, EPFR. \*2025 YTD annualized

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## Asset Class Flows (Table 1)

**Equities:** \$5.4bn inflow (\$12.2bn inflow to ETFs, \$6.8bn outflow from mutual funds)

**Bonds:** inflows past 6 weeks (\$15.8bn)

**Precious metals:** inflows past 2 weeks (\$1.9bn)

## Fixed Income Flows (Chart 20)

**IG Bond** inflows past 6 weeks (\$11.3bn)

**HY Bond** inflows past 6 weeks (\$2.4bn)

**EM Debt** inflows past 7 weeks (\$2.5bn)

**Munis** 1<sup>st</sup> outflow in 6 weeks (\$0.4bn)

**Govt/Tsy** 1<sup>st</sup> outflow in 3 weeks (\$0.6bn)

**TIPS** inflows past 5 weeks (\$0.1bn)

**Bank loan** inflows past 6 weeks (\$0.6bn)

## Equity Flows (Table 2)

**US:** outflows past 3 weeks (\$7.5bn)

**Japan:** 1<sup>st</sup> inflow in 3 weeks (\$4.3bn)

**Europe:** inflows past 8 weeks (\$2.6bn)

**EM:** inflows past 2 weeks (\$2.3bn)

By style: outflows **US growth** (\$1.5bn), **US value** (\$1.6bn), **US small cap** (\$3.0bn), **US large cap** (\$3.6bn).

By sector: inflows **consumer** (\$0.5bn), **com svcs** (\$0.3bn), **materials** (\$0.3bn); outflows **energy** (\$52mn), **real estate** (\$56mn), **utilities** (\$0.2bn), **tech** (\$0.4bn), **financials** (\$0.5bn), **healthcare** (\$1.3bn).

**Table 1: Cumulative YTD flows by asset class**

Global flows by asset class, \$mn

	Wk % AUM	YTD	YTD %AUM
Equities	0.0%	286,463	1.3%
ETFs	0.1%	439,198	3.7%
LO	-0.1%	-152,834	-1.4%
Bonds	0.2%	223,641	2.7%
Commodities	0.3%	45,649	7.7%
Money-market	0.9%	421,737	4.5%

\*week ended 06/04/2025: Source: EPFR Global

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**Table 2: US equity inflows still dominating YTD**

Global equity flows by region, \$mn

	Wk % AUM	YTD
<b>Total Equities</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>286,463</b>
long-only funds	-0.1%	-152,834
ETFs	0.1%	439,198
<b>Total EM</b>	<b>0.1%</b>	<b>2,282</b>
Brazil	1.5%	206
India	0.1%	-1,676
China	-0.2%	-4,574
<b>Total DM</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>284,181</b>
US	-0.1%	142,442
Europe	0.1%	45,629
Japan	0.5%	5,793
International	0.1%	81,291

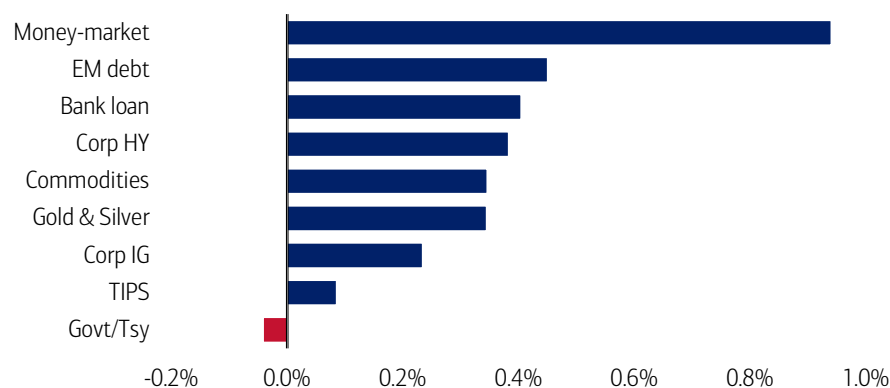
Total Equities = Total EM + Total DM

Source: EPFR Global

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**Chart 20: FICC inflows to money-market, EM debt, and bank loans**

Weekly FICC flows as a % AUM



Source: EPFR Global

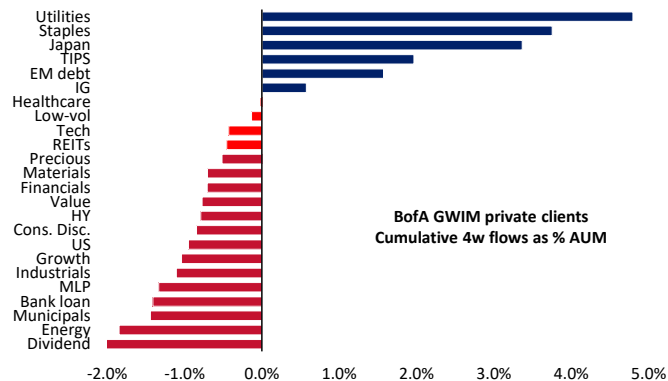
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# BofA private client flows & allocations

**Chart 21: Private clients bought utilities, staples & Japan**

BofA private clients 4-week ETF flows as % of AUM

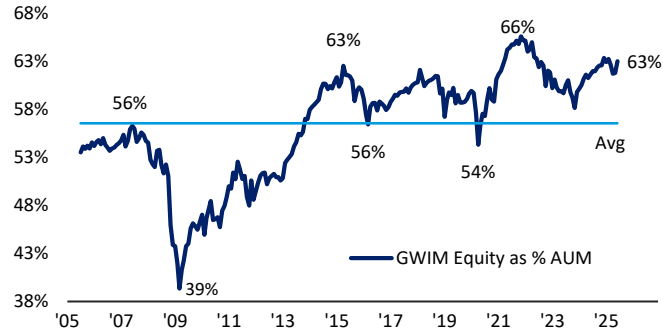


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**Chart 22: GWIM equity allocation at 63%**

BofA private client equity holdings as % of AUM

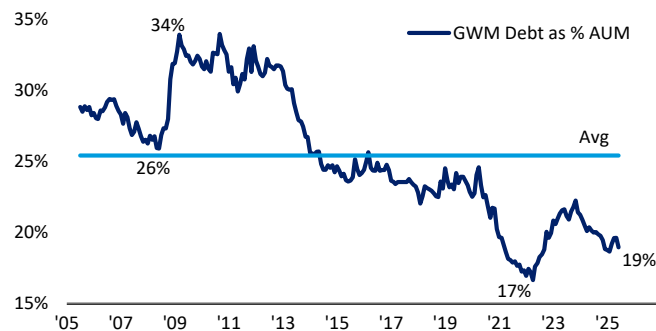


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**Chart 23: GWIM debt allocation at 19%**

BofA private client debt holdings as % of AUM

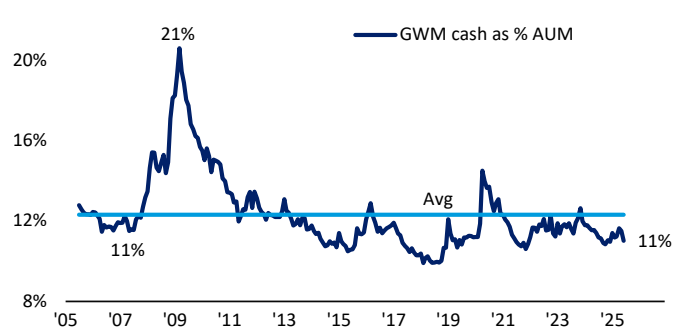


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**Chart 24: GWIM cash allocation at 11%**

BofA private client cash holdings as % of AUM

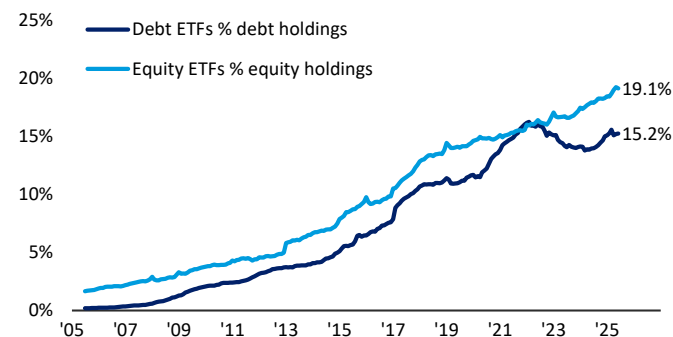


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**Chart 25: GWIM equity ETFs 19%, debt ETFs 15% of AUM**

BofA private client ETF holdings as % of AUM

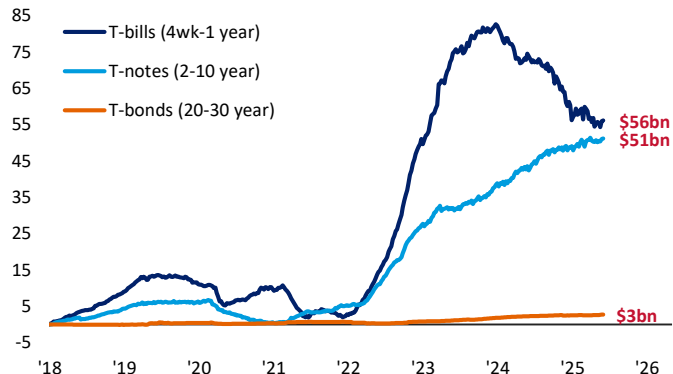


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**Chart 26: BofA private clients continue to add to T-notes**

BofA private client cumulative inflow to Treasuries since '18



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# The Asset Class Quilt of Total Returns

**Chart 27: Historical asset class performance by year**  
Ranked cross asset returns by year since 2000

2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025*
Commodities 58.2%	US Treasuries 6.7%	Commodities 39.5%	MSCI EM 56.3%	REITS 32.0%	MSCI EM 34.5%	REITS 37.5%	MSCI EM 39.8%	US Treasuries 14.0%	MSCI EM 79.0%	Gold 29.2%	US Treasuries 9.8%	REITS 23.8%	S&P 500 32.4%	S&P 500 13.7%	S&P 500 1.4%	Commodities 17.5%	MSCI EM 37.8%	Cash 1.8%	S&P 500 31.5%	Gold 24.8%	Commodities 46.3%	Commodities 31.1%	S&P 500 26.3%	Gold 26.7%	Gold 28.4%
US Treasuries 13.4%	Global IG 4.6%	Gold 25.6%	MSCI EAFE 39.2%	Commodities 28.7%	Commodities 33.7%	MSCI EM 32.6%	Commodities 33.0%	Gold 4.3%	Global HY 62.0%	MSCI EM 19.2%	Gold 8.9%	Global HY 19.3%	MSCI EAFE 23.3%	REITS 11.7%	US Treasuries 0.8%	Global HY 14.8%	MSCI EAFE 25.9%	US Treasuries 0.8%	REITS 27.4%	MSCI EM 18.8%	REITS 37.1%	Cash 1.5%	MSCI EAFE 18.9%	S&P 500 25.0%	MSCI EAFE 18.6%
REITS 8.5%	Cash 4.4%	Global IG 14.9%	REITS 33.5%	MSCI EM 26.0%	Gold 17.8%	MSCI EAFE 26.9%	Gold 31.9%	Cash 2.1%	MSCI EAFE 32.5%	REITS 15.9%	Global IG 4.5%	MSCI EM 18.6%	Global HY 8.0%	US Treasuries 6.0%	Cash 0.1%	S&P 500 12.0%	S&P 500 22.0%	Gold -1.9%	MSCI EAFE 22.8%	S&P 500 18.4%	S&P 500 28.7%	Gold -0.8%	Global HY 13.4%	MSCI EM 8.0%	MSCI EM 10.3%
Cash 6.2%	Global HY 3.1%	US Treasuries 11.6%	Commodities 30.1%	MSCI EAFE 20.7%	MSCI EAFE 14.0%	Gold 23.2%	MSCI EAFE 11.6%	Global IG -8.3%	REITS 31.7%	S&P 500 15.1%	Global HY 2.6%	MSCI EAFE 17.9%	REITS 0.7%	Global IG 3.2%	MSCI EAFE -0.8%	MSCI EM 11.2%	Gold 12.9%	Global HY -3.3%	Commodities 20.1%	Global IG 10.3%	MSCI EAFE 11.9%	US Treasuries -12.9%	Gold 12.7%	Global HY 7.5%	Global IG 5.7%
Global IG 3.1%	Gold -0.7%	Cash 1.8%	Global HY 30.7%	Global HY 12.4%	REITS 10.7%	S&P 500 15.8%	US Treasuries 9.1%	Global HY -27.9%	S&P 500 26.5%	Global HY 13.9%	S&P 500 2.1%	S&P 500 16.0%	Global IG 0.1%	Gold 0.1%	REITS -3.4%	Gold 8.6%	REITS 11.5%	Global IG -3.4%	MSCI EM 18.6%	MSCI EAFE 8.4%	Global HY 1.4%	Global HY -13.2%	REITS 11.3%	Commodities 5.5%	Global HY 5.0%
Gold -5.4%	MSCI EM -2.4%	Global HY -1.1%	S&P 500 28.7%	S&P 500 10.9%	S&P 500 4.9%	Global HY 13.5%	Global IG 7.3%	S&P 500 -37.0%	Commodities 26.1%	Commodities 13.3%	Cash 0.1%	Global IG 11.1%	Cash 0.1%	Cash 0.0%	Global IG -3.8%	Global IG 4.3%	Global HY 10.2%	REITS -3.9%	Gold 17.9%	US Treasuries 8.2%	Cash 0.0%	MSCI EAFE -13.9%	MSCI EM 10.1%	Cash 5.3%	REITS 4.8%
Global HY -5.8%	REITS -7.8%	REITS -2.4%	Gold 19.9%	Global IG 9.4%	Cash 3.1%	Global IG 7.2%	S&P 500 5.5%	Commodities -42.6%	Gold 25.0%	MSCI EAFE 8.2%	Commodities -2.6%	Gold 8.3%	Commodities -2.1%	Global HY -0.1%	Global HY -4.2%	REITS 1.3%	Global IG 9.3%	S&P 500 -4.3%	Global HY 13.7%	Global HY 8.0%	MSCI EM -2.3%	Global IG -16.7%	Global IG 9.5%	MSCI EAFE 4.4%	US Treasuries 2.7%
S&P 500 -9.1%	S&P 500 -11.9%	MSCI EM -6.0%	Global IG 14.5%	Gold 4.6%	US Treasuries 2.8%	Cash 4.9%	Cash 5.0%	MSCI EAFE -43.1%	Global IG 19.2%	Global IG 6.0%	REITS -9.4%	US Treasuries 2.2%	MSCI EM -2.3%	MSCI EM -1.8%	Gold -10.4%	US Treasuries 1.1%	Commodities 7.6%	Commodities -13.1%	Global IG 11.4%	Cash 0.5%	US Treasuries -2.4%	S&P 500 -18.1%	Cash 5.1%	REITS 3.2%	S&P 500 2.1%
MSCI EAFE -14.0%	MSCI EAFE -21.2%	MSCI EAFE -15.7%	US Treasuries 2.3%	US Treasuries 3.5%	Global HY 1.5%	US Treasuries 3.1%	Global HY 3.0%	REITS -50.2%	Cash 0.2%	US Treasuries 5.9%	MSCI EAFE -11.7%	Cash 0.1%	US Treasuries -3.3%	MSCI EAFE -4.5%	MSCI EM -14.9%	MSCI EAFE 1.0%	US Treasuries 2.4%	MSCI EAFE -13.2%	US Treasuries 7.0%	REITS -4.4%	Global IG -3.0%	MSCI EM -19.8%	US Treasuries 3.9%	Global IG 1.2%	Cash 1.8%
MSCI EM -30.6%	Commodities -21.4%	S&P 500 -22.1%	Cash 1.1%	Cash 1.3%	Global IG -3.0%	Commodities -0.2%	REITS -10.0%	MSCI EM -53.2%	US Treasuries -3.7%	Cash 0.1%	MSCI EM -18.2%	Commodities -0.3%	Gold -27.3%	Commodities -29.3%	Commodities -29.4%	Cash 0.3%	Cash 0.8%	MSCI EM -14.3%	Cash 2.2%	Commodities -15.0%	Gold -4.1%	REITS -25.2%	Commodities -3.5%	US Treasuries 0.5%	Commodities -1.7%

Source: BofA Global Investment Strategy, Bloomberg. \*2025 YTD

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# BofA Rules & Tools

**Table 3: BofA Global Investment Strategy Proprietary Indicators**

Current reading of all BofA Global Investment Strategy Proprietary Indicators

Proprietary Indicators	Category	Current reading	Current signal	Duration of signal
<b>Contrarian</b>				
<b>BofA Bull &amp; Bear Indicator (B&amp;B)</b>	Contrarian	4.4	Neutral	1-3 months
Sell when investor sentiment > 8.0; Buy when investor sentiment < 2.0				
<b>BofA Global FMS Cash Indicator</b>	Contrarian	4.5%	Neutral	4 weeks
Buy when cash at or above 5.0%; Sell when cash at or below 4.0%				
<b>BofA Global Breadth Rule</b>	Contrarian	84.4%	Neutral	3 months
Buy when net 88% of markets in MSCI ACWI trading below 200-day moving & 50-day moving averages				
<b>BofA Global Flow Trading Rule</b>	Contrarian	0.9%	Neutral	8 weeks
Buy when outflows from global equities & HY > 1.0% AUM over 4wks; Sell when inflows > 1.0% AUM over 4wks				
<b>BofA EM Flow Trading Rule</b>	Contrarian	-0.2%	Neutral	8 weeks
Buy when outflows from EM equities > 3.0% of AUM; Sell when inflows > 1.5% of AUM over 4 wks				
<b>Macro</b>				
<b>BofA Global EPS Growth Model</b>	Macro	5%	EPS growth rising	6-12 months
Model indicates trend in year-on-year change in 12-month forward global EPS growth.				
<b>Source:</b> BofA Global Investment Strategy. For a (see report) <a href="#">guide to our trading models</a>				

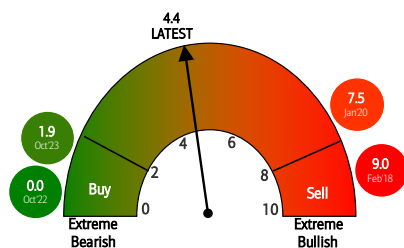
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## BofA Bull & Bear Indicator (B&B)

Our BofA Bull &amp; Bear Indicator is at 4.4 signal is Neutral.

**Chart 28: BofA Bull & Bear Indicator**

Rises to 4.4 from 4.2


**Source:** BofA Global Investment Strategy

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**Table 4: BofA B&B Indicator**

BofA Bull &amp; Bear current component readings

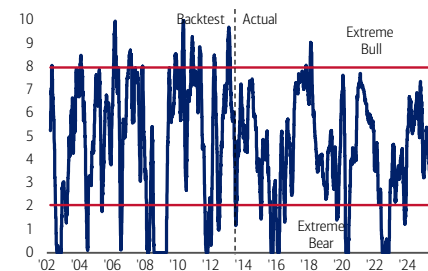
Components	Percentile	Sentiment
HF positioning	8%	V Bearish
Credit mkt technicals	85%	V Bullish
Equity market breadth	95%	V Bullish
Equity flows	25%	Bearish
Bond flows	75%	Bullish
LO positioning	11%	V Bearish

**Source:** BofA Global Investment Strategy, Bloomberg, EPFR Global, Lipper FMI, Global FMS, CFTC, MSCI

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**Chart 29: BofA Bull & Bear Indicator at 4.4**

BofA Bull &amp; Bear Indicator since 2002


**Source:** BofA Global Investment Strategy, EPFR Global, FMS, CFTC, MSCI

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# 2025 Cross-Asset Winners & Losers

**Table 5: 2025 YTD ranked returns**

Year-to-date cross asset returns in US dollar terms

**Ranked Returns, USD-terms (YTD 2025)**

Assets			Equities		Sectors		Fixed Income		FX vs. USD		Commodities						
1	Gold	27.7%	1	Greece Equities	50.1%	1	ACWI Banks	15.5%	1	European HY	13.2%	1	Swedish krona	15.5%	1	Gold	27.7%
2	Europe Equities	22.7%	2	Spain Equities	40.4%	2	ACWI Industrials	13.8%	2	German Govt	10.1%	2	Norwegian krone	12.6%	2	Platinum	21.9%
3	UK Equities	18.7%	3	Germany Equities	34.2%	3	ACWI Financials	11.9%	3	UK Govt	9.9%	3	Bitcoin	11.7%	3	Silver	18.5%
4	Pacific Rim xJapan	12.9%	4	Italy Equities	33.6%	4	ACWI Utilities	11.1%	4	Non-US IG Government	9.1%	4	Swiss franc	10.9%	4	Copper	11.5%
5	EM Equities	10.4%	5	S. Africa Equities	29.0%	5	ACWI Consumer Staples	10.2%	5	Japan Govt	6.3%	5	Euro	10.3%	5	Natural Gas	2.3%
6	Japan Equities	10.1%	6	Mexico Equities	28.9%	6	ACWI Materials	9.3%	6	EM Sovereign	5.1%	6	Japanese yen	10.1%	6	Commodities	-1.7%
7	Government Bonds	6.1%	7	Korea Equities	23.1%	7	ACWI Telecoms	8.4%	7	TIPS	3.6%	7	Brazilian real	9.6%	7	Iron Ore	-3.8%
8	Investment Grade Bonds	5.8%	8	Portugal Equities	21.8%	8	ACWI Real Estate	4.2%	8	US Corp HY	3.0%	8	Taiwanese dollar	9.5%	8	WTI Crude Oil	-12.4%
9	EM Sovereign Bonds	5.1%	9	Brazil Equities	21.8%	9	ACWI BioTechnology	3.7%	9	EM Corporate	3.0%	9	Mexican peso	8.5%			
10	High Yield Bonds	5.0%	10	Switzerland Equities	21.0%	10	ACWI Info Tech	1.7%	10	BBB IG	2.9%	10	British pound	8.3%			
11	Industrial Metals	4.4%	11	France Equities	20.0%	11	ACWI Healthcare	-0.5%	11	US Corp IG	2.8%	11	Korean won	7.8%			
12	US Equities	2.2%	12	Singapore Equities	19.8%	12	ACWI Energy	-0.5%	12	US Mortgage Master	2.7%	12	NZ dollar	7.7%			
13	US Dollar	-8.9%	13	UK Equities	18.7%	13	ACWI Cons. Discretionary	-0.9%	13	Treasury Master	2.7%	13	Singapore dollar	6.2%			
14	Oil	-12.4%	14	Hong Kong Equities	15.6%				14	2-year Treasury	2.2%	14	South African rand	5.7%			
			15	China Equities	15.4%				15	CCC HY	1.9%	15	Canadian dollar	5.2%			
			16	Canada Equities	13.1%				16	3-Month Treasury Bills	1.8%	16	Australian dollar	4.9%			
			17	Australia Equities	10.9%				17	30-year Treasury	0.2%	17	Chinese renminbi	1.7%			
			18	Japan Equities	10.1%							18	Indian rupee	-0.3%			
			19	Taiwan Equities	2.5%							19	Indonesian rupiah	-1.2%			
			20	India Equities	2.4%							20	Turkish lira	-9.7%			
			21	US Equities	2.2%												
			22	Türkiye Equities	-10.2%												

Source: BofA Global Investment Strategy, Bloomberg, as of 4 June 2025.

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**Table 6: The Overbought & Oversold**

Ranked deviation from 200-day moving averages in US dollar terms

**Ranked Deviation from 200-Day Moving Average, USD-terms**

Assets		Equities		Sectors		Fixed Income		FX vs. USD		Commodities							
1	Gold	18.1%	1	Greece Equities	33.4%	1	ACWI Banks	11.6%	1	Non-US IG Government	4.6%	1	Swedish krona	8.9%	1	Gold	18.0%
2	Europe Equities	13.0%	2	Spain Equities	23.7%	2	ACWI Industrials	9.5%	2	EM Sovereign	3.2%	2	Taiwanese dollar	7.7%	2	Natural Gas	12.3%
3	UK Equities	11.7%	3	Germany Equities	21.8%	3	ACWI Financials	9.0%	3	CCC HY	2.6%	3	Norwegian krone	7.3%	3	Platinum	11.5%
4	Pacific Rim xJapan	8.7%	4	Italy Equities	20.6%	4	ACWI Telecoms	9.0%	4	European HY	2.6%	4	Swiss franc	6.3%	4	Silver	8.8%
5	Japan Equities	8.4%	5	S. Africa Equities	16.7%	5	ACWI Info Tech	5.7%	5	US Corp HY	2.5%	5	Euro	5.7%	5	Copper	4.0%
6	EM Equities	6.7%	6	Mexico Equities	16.5%	6	ACWI Utilities	5.6%	6	EM Corporate	1.8%	6	British pound	5.1%	6	Iron Ore	-3.8%
7	High Yield Bonds	3.7%	7	Singapore Equities	16.2%	7	ACWI Consumer Staples	5.3%	7	3-Month Treasury Bills	1.6%	7	Japanese yen	4.8%	7	WTI Crude Oil	-8.5%
8	US Equities	3.6%	8	Hong Kong Equities	12.4%	8	ACWI Cons. Discretionary	3.0%	8	BBB IG	1.6%	8	Mexican peso	4.4%	8	Brent Crude Oil	-10.2%
9	Investment Grade Bonds	3.4%	9	UK Equities	11.7%	9	ACWI Materials	2.1%	9	2-year Treasury	1.6%	9	Korean won	3.4%			
10	EM Sov Bonds	3.2%	10	Portugal Equities	11.3%	10	ACWI Real Estate	0.0%	10	TIPS	1.5%	10	Singapore dollar	3.2%			
11	Government Bonds	2.9%	11	France Equities	11.0%	11	ACWI BioTechnology	-2.6%	11	US Corp IG	1.4%	11	NZ dollar	2.8%			
12	Industrial Metals	0.8%	12	Switzerland Equities	10.5%	12	ACWI Energy	-3.6%	12	US Mortgage Master	1.1%	12	Brazilian real	2.6%			
13	US Dollar	-5.1%	13	Korea Equities	10.4%	13	ACWI Healthcare	-5.3%	13	Treasury Master	1.0%	13	Canadian dollar	2.6%			
14	Oil	-8.5%	14	Canada Equities	10.1%				14	German Govt	0.1%	14	South African rand	2.1%			
			15	China Equities	9.9%				15	UK Govt	0.0%	15	Australian dollar	0.9%			
			16	Japan Equities	8.4%				16	Japan Govt	-2.5%	16	Chinese renminbi	0.6%			
			17	Australia Equities	6.3%				17	30-year Treasury	-3.2%	17	Indian rupee	-0.7%			
			18	Brazil Equities	6.2%							18	Indonesian rupiah	-1.2%			
			19	Taiwan Equities	5.4%							19	Turkish lira	-8.2%			
			20	US Equities	3.6%							20	Argentine peso	-11.8%			
			21	India Equities	1.6%												
			22	Russia Equities	0.0%												
			23	Türkiye Equities	-7.4%												

Source: BofA Global Investment Strategy, Bloomberg, as of 4 June 2025.

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## Acronyms

FMS – Fund Manager Survey  
 GWIM – Global Wealth and Investment Management  
 MA – Moving average  
 MMF – Money Market Fund  
 FCI – Financial conditions index  
 AUM – Assets Under Management  
 U-rate – unemployment rate  
 RoW – Rest of World  
 CRFB – Committee for a Responsible Federal Budget

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