

Playbook

SPRING 2021

Our *Playbook* is designed to share our quarterly views in a visual presentation with comments providing context to what we believe are the pertinent issues of the most recent quarter and what we see moving forward.

Highlights

The equity market maintains its momentum into 2021, despite continued COVID challenges, with the breadth of the returns spreading to most equity asset classes.

We're gaining the upper hand on COVID-19

The economic growth cycle is underway and will be fueled by aggressive fiscal and monetary policy

Finding yield in a low-yield world



Momentum Continues







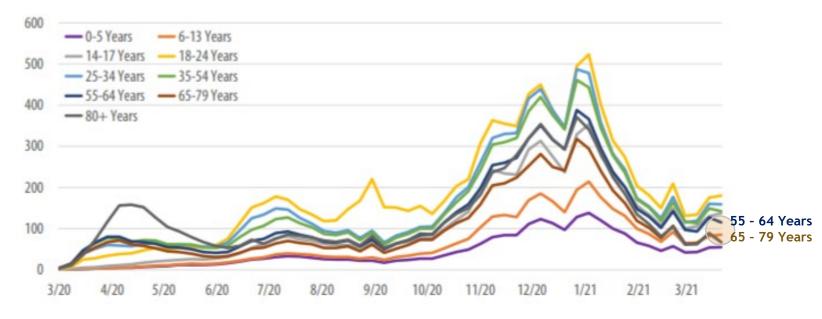
Path to Immunity

235M

doses administered in the U.S.*

U.S. COVID-19 Weekly Cases per 100,000 Population by Age Group

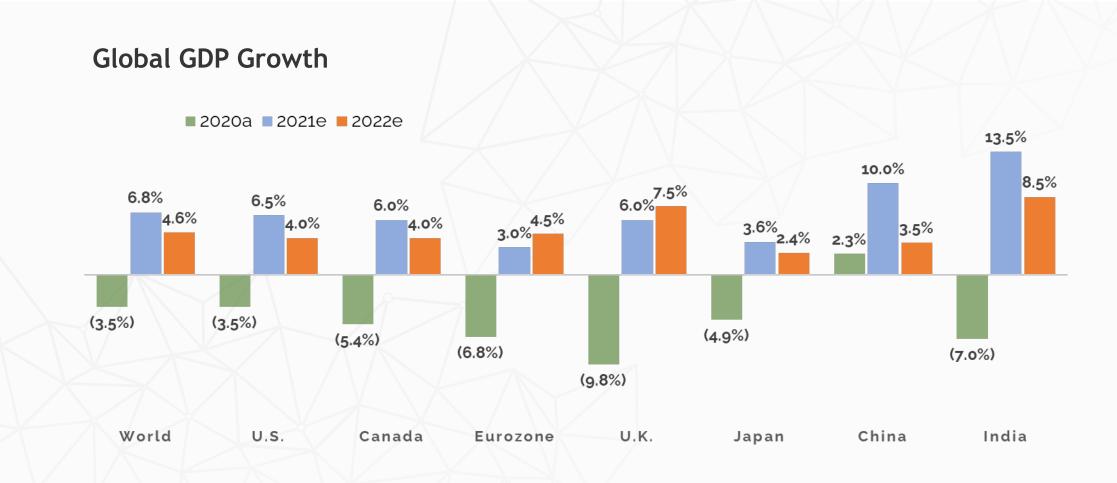
March 7, 2021 - March 27, 2021



More than 180 million Americans with 80% or better immunity (54.9%)*



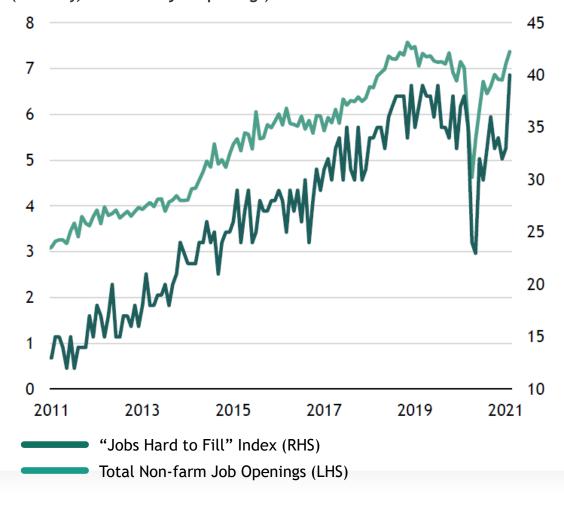
A Year (or Two) of Recovery

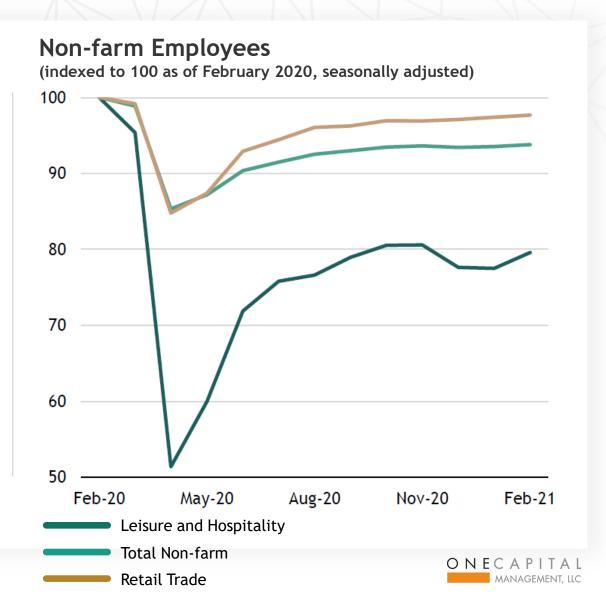




Labor Dynamics



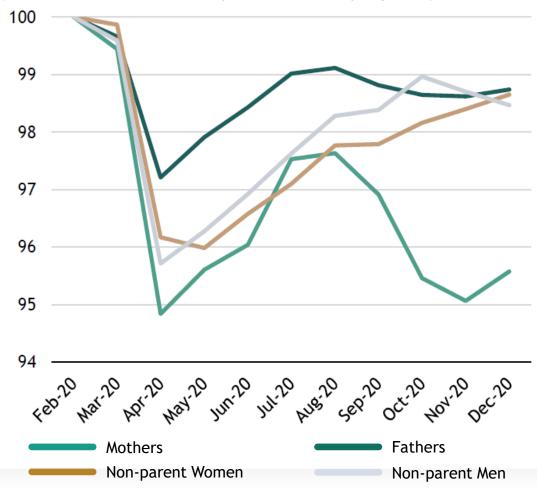




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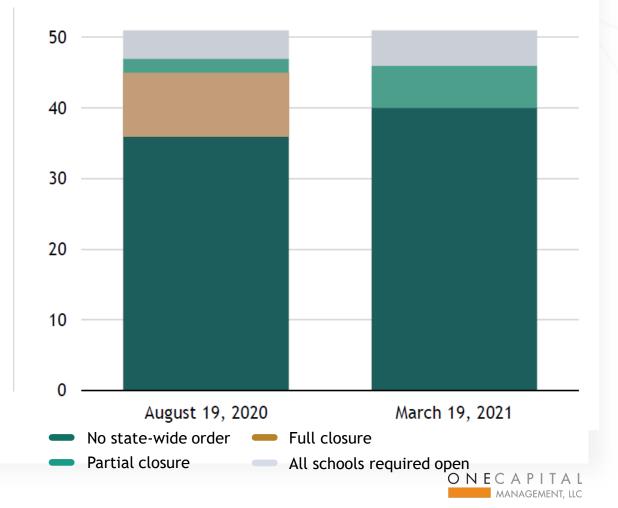


(indexed to 100 as of February 2020, seasonally adjusted)

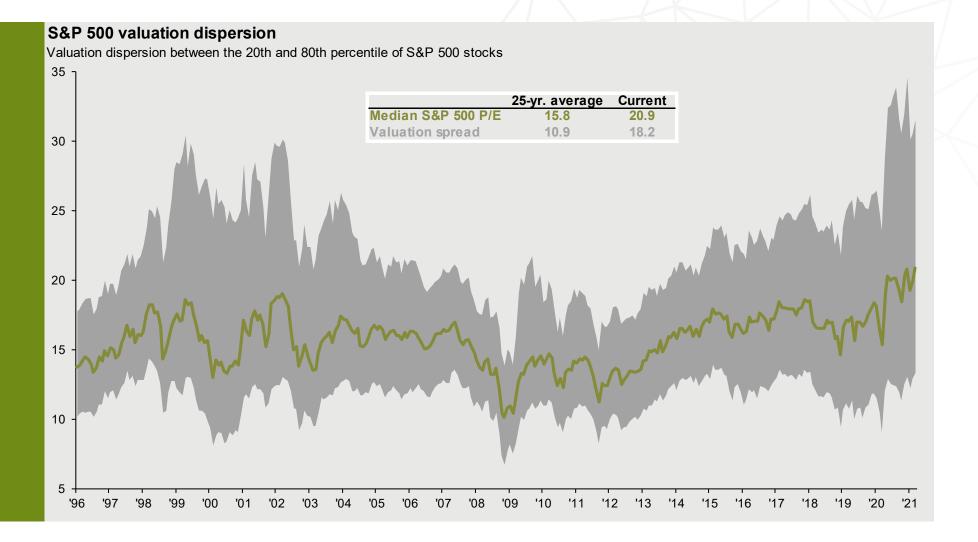


U.S. School Closures by State Order

(number of states; 50 states plus Washington D.C.)



Valuation

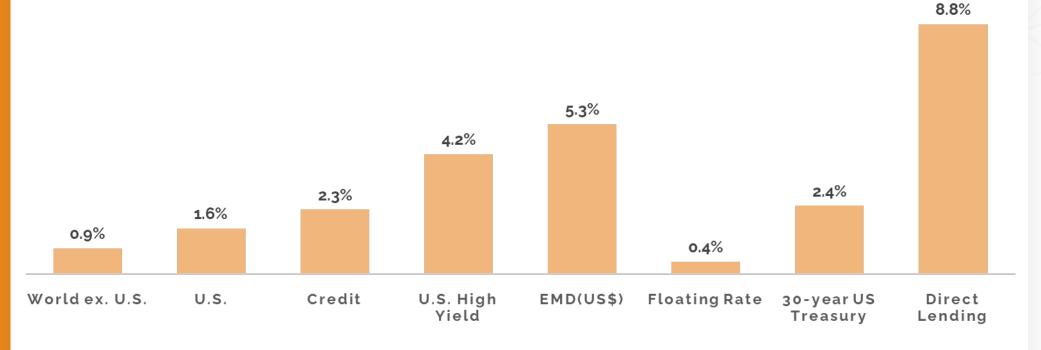




Yield Dynamics

Global Fixed Income Yields

As of March 31, 2021

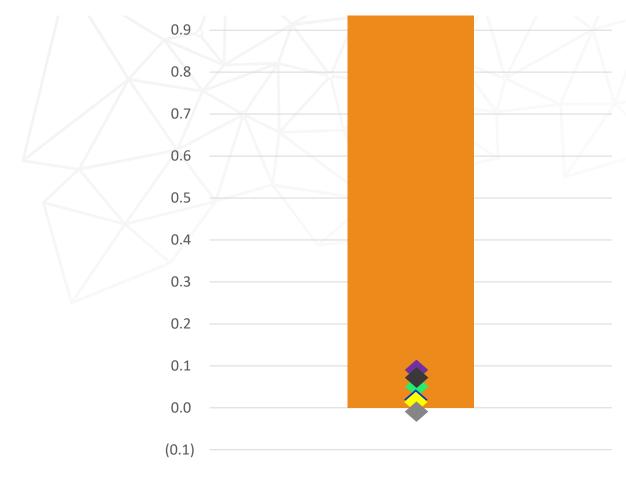




Diversification

Correlation to Private Debt

As of March 2021



Benchmarks and correlations to Private Debt represented by Private Debt: Cliffwater Corporate Lending Fund (CCLFX), U.S. Intermediate Duration Municipal Bonds: S&P National AMT-Free Municipal Bond Index (0.01), U.S. Short Duration Municipal Bonds: S&P Short Term National AMT-Free Municipal Bond Index 0.09, U.S. Intermediate Duration Investment Grade Bonds: U.S. 5-10 Year Investment Grade Bonds 0.03, U.S. High Yield Bonds: First Trust Tactical High Yield ETF 0.07, U.S. Stocks: S&P 500 0.05.



Takeaways

We're gaining the upper hand on COVID-19

The economic growth cycle is underway and will be fueled by aggressive fiscal and monetary policy

Jobs are available and opportunities will continue as vaccinations lead to more openness. As schools open, women will lead the way.

Parts of the stock market are trading at elevated valuations, but overall, it is not overvalued

And, we can find yield by taking measured credit risk



Q&A



