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# Market Performance Perspective

Equity sector returns experienced widely different results for the first half of 2023. Returns varied from nearly 30% to small losses. The S&P 500 Index grew at a rate of 16.9% in the first six months. It's top 5 constituents returned 46.9%. The other 495 stocks returned 9.9%.



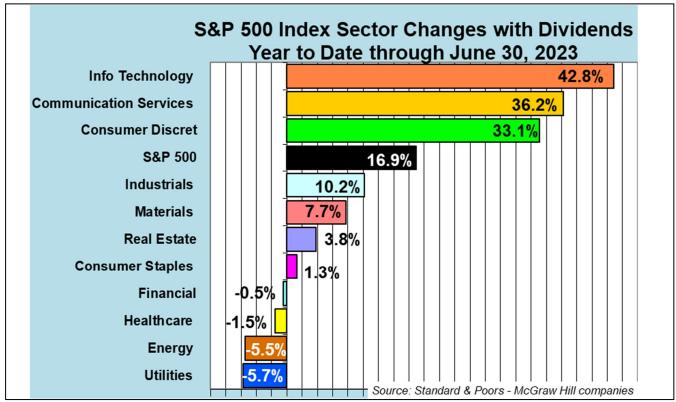
This capital weighted index uses each company's number of shares outstanding multiplied by its market price to determine the weighting given to the stock's increase or decrease for the period under review. Therefore, the greater the number of shares and the greater the market price, the greater the impact on the index, up or down.

Source: Dana Investment Advisors

The S&P 500 Index average annualized return for periods ending June 30, 2023:

<b>YTD</b>	<u>1 Yr</u>	<u>5 Yrs</u>	<u> 10 Yrs</u>	<u>20 Yrs</u>
16.9%	19.6%	12.3%	12.9%	10.0%





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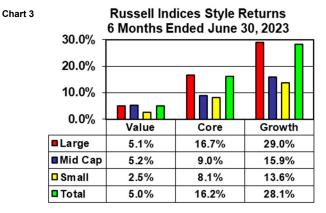
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#### **Sector Returns - Chart 2:**

The tech and communications sectors lead the positive performers. Financials, utilities, energy & and healthcare were the only sector losers the first six months of 2023.

#### Style & Capitalization Size Returns - Chart 3 & 4:

Growth style stocks outperformed value across all capitalization ranges and all were led by Mega-cap Growth.

## A New Bull Market

A bear market is defined as a 20% decline from the previous peak, while a bull market is a 20% increase from the most recent low. On 6/8/23, the S&P 500 Index closed 20.04% higher than its most recent low (set on 10/12/22), signaling the end of a bear market. (Source: First Trust Advisors L.P.)

## **Less Productivity??**

Economic data appears to show that productivity is falling in the U.S. In the past year, total jobs have increased 2.7%, but real GDP is up only 1.6%. More people working, but less growth in the economy. (Source: First Trust Advisors L.P.)

Source: Chart 1, 3 & 4 = MSCI Barra, Standard & Poors, Wall Street Journal; Frank Russell Chart 1 Indices: International Stocks = MSCI EAFE Index; U.S. Stocks = S&P 500 Index; Bonds Corporate = BB Credit; Bonds Gov't= BB Government; Bonds Gov't Short Term = BB 1-3 Year Government; Bonds Government; Bonds Gov't Snort Term = BB 1-3 Year Government; Bonds Muni's = BB 7 Year Municipal Year Index; Chart 3 Indices: Value Large = Russell 1000 Value; Value MidCap = Russell MidCap Value; Value Small = Russell 2000 Value; Value Total = Russell 3000 Value; Core Large = Russell 1000; Core Midcap = Russell MidCap; Core Small = Russell 2000; Core Total = Russell 3000; Growth Large = Russell 1000 Growth; Growth Midcap = Russell Midcap Growth; Growth Small = Russell 2000 Growth; Growth Total = Russell 2000 Growth; Growth Small = Russell 2000 Growth; Growth Total = Russell 2000 Growth; Growth Small = Russell 2000 Growth; Growth Total = Russell 2000 Growth; Growth Small = Russell 2000 Growth; Growth Total 3000 Growth. Chart 4 Indices: Large = S&P 100 Index; Midcap = S&P MidCap 400 Index; Small = S&P Small Cap 600 Index. The Russell Indices are provided by The Frank Russell Company. The BB indices are provided by Bloomberg Capital, Inc. The MSCI EAFE Index is provided by Morgan Stanley. The S&P 100, 400, 500 and 600 Indices (a registered trademark of the McGraw Hill Companies) are unmanaged indices of common stocks. S&P Dow Jones Indices information is a joint venture between S&P Global, the CME Group, and News Corp Investors cannot purchase any index. Past performance is no quarantee of future results.



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