
Quarterly Market Review

Second Quarter 2026

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Market Summary

Returns (GBP), as of June 30, 2026

	Stocks				Bonds		
	UK Market	Europe Developed Market	Developed Market	Emerging Market	UK Govt. Bond Market	Global ex UK Govt. Bond Market	Global Credit Bond Market
Q2 2026	3.44%	10.22%	13.03%	23.25%	2.10%	1.06%	1.84%
	↑	↑	↑	↑	↑	↑	↑
Since January 2000							
Average Quarterly Return	1.6%	1.7%	2.1%	2.4%	0.9%	1.0%	1.2%
Best Quarter	22.0%	26.6%	20.9%	27.8%	10.6%	6.2%	7.0%
	2009 Q3	2009 Q3	2009 Q3	2001 Q4	2008 Q4	2008 Q4	2023 Q4
Worst Quarter	-23.9%	-25.2%	-20.9%	-25.0%	-14.4%	-4.7%	-7.0%
	2020 Q1	2002 Q3	2002 Q3	2001 Q3	2022 Q3	2022 Q1	2022 Q1

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Long-Term Market Summary

Returns (GBP), as of June 30, 2026

	Stocks				Bonds		
	UK Market	Europe Developed Market	Developed Market	Emerging Market	UK Govt. Bond Market	Global ex UK Govt. Bond Market	Global Credit Bond Market
1 Year	24.23% ↑	22.49% ↑	25.28% ↑	48.17% ↑	2.51% ↑	2.28% ↑	4.34% ↑
5 Years	12.93% ↑	10.38% ↑	12.37% ↑	8.06% ↑	-5.21% ↓	-0.35% ↓	0.31% ↑
10 Years	8.89% ↑	10.00% ↑	13.22% ↑	10.15% ↑	-1.54% ↓	0.56% ↑	1.78% ↑
15 Years	7.75% ↑	8.23% ↑	12.34% ↑	6.59% ↑	1.54% ↑	2.11% ↑	2.97% ↑
20 Years	6.81% ↑	7.40% ↑	10.52% ↑	8.54% ↑	2.57% ↑	2.93% ↑	3.72% ↑

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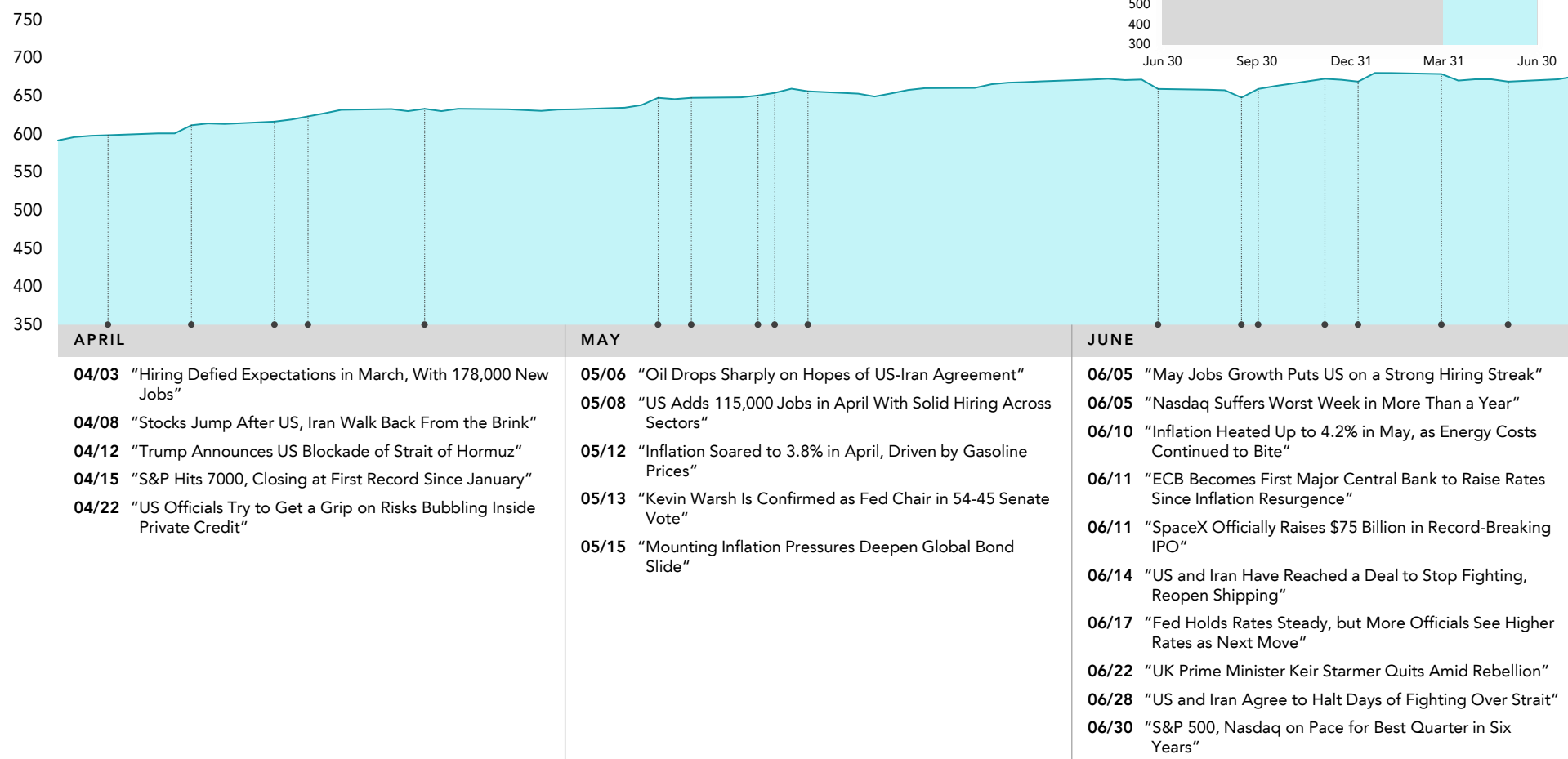
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World Stock Market Performance

MSCI All Country World IMI Index with selected headlines from Q2 2026 (GBP)

Q2 2026



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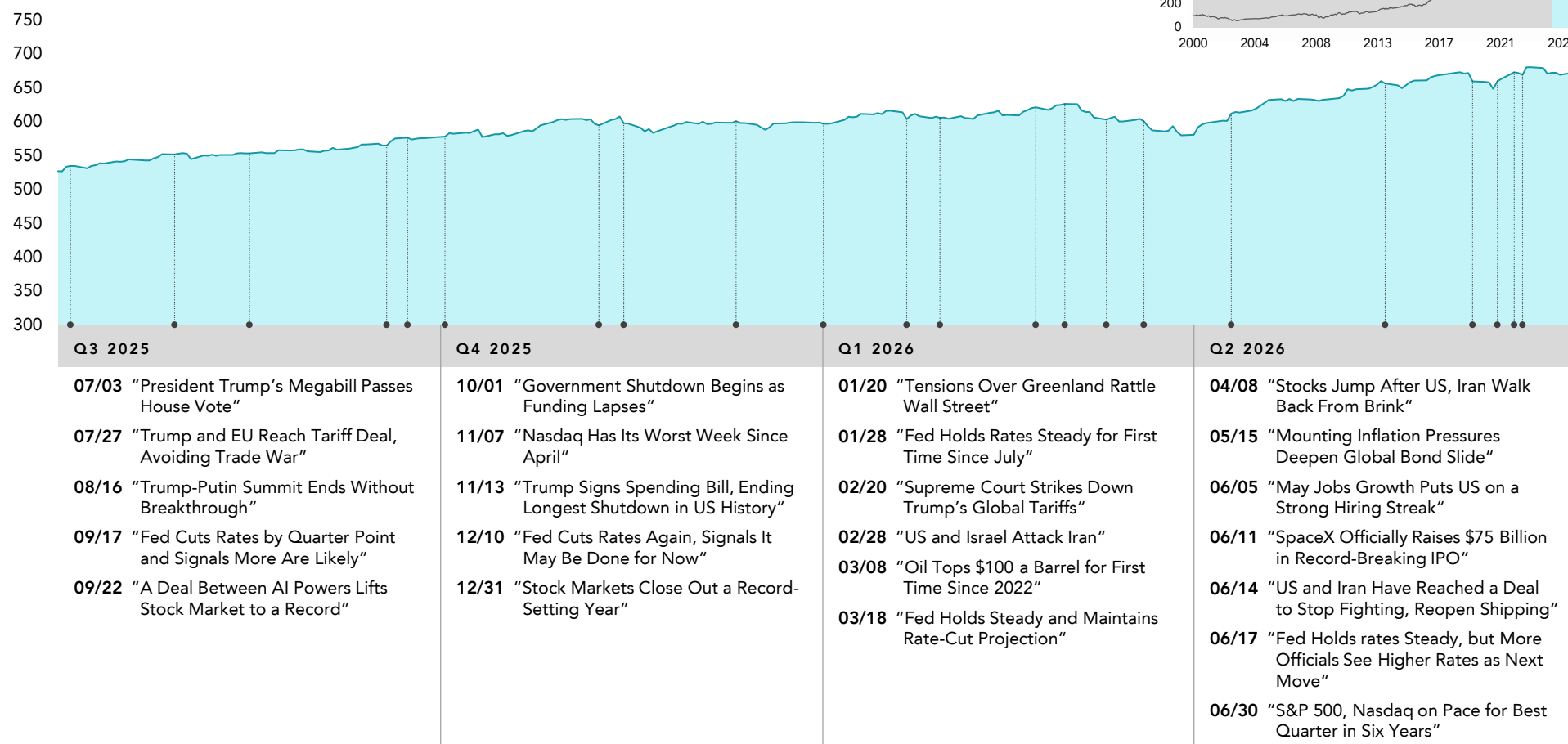
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World Stock Market Performance

MSCI All Country World IMI Index with selected headlines from past 12 months (GBP)

SHORT TERM (Q3 2025–Q2 2026)



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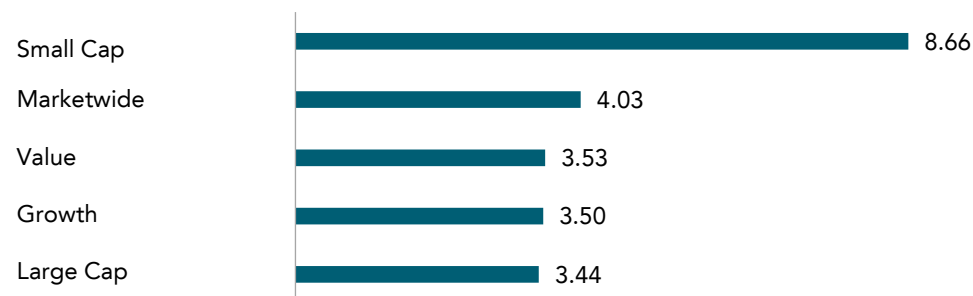
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UK Equities

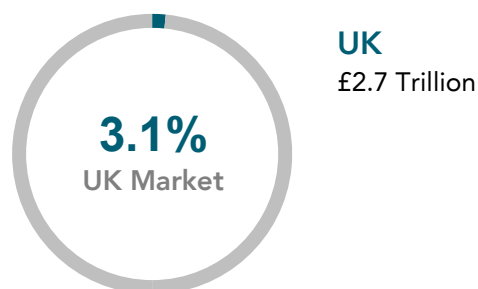
Returns (GBP), 2nd Quarter 2026

- The UK equity market posted positive returns for the quarter and underperformed both world developed and emerging markets.
- Value outperformed growth.
- Small caps outperformed large caps.

Ranked Returns (%)



World Market Capitalisation



Periodic Returns (%)

Asset Class	QTR	YTD	ANNUALISED					
			1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years	15 Years	20 Years
Small Cap	8.66	3.07	8.20	11.87	2.45	6.03	7.48	7.02
Marketwide	4.03	7.05	22.04	15.36	11.23	8.46	7.67	6.85
Value	3.53	11.04	34.12	20.90	16.67	9.75	8.14	6.52
Growth	3.50	2.60	10.61	8.19	6.95	7.61	7.38	6.99
Large Cap	3.44	7.63	24.23	15.86	12.93	8.89	7.75	6.81

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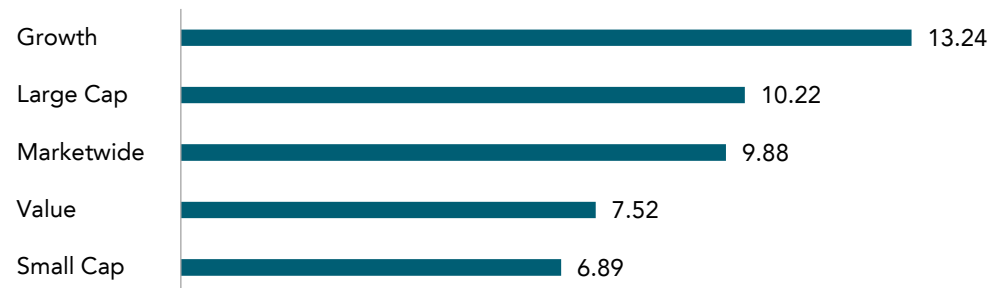
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Europe Developed Markets Equities

Returns (GBP), 2nd Quarter 2026

- European developed equity markets posted positive returns for the quarter and underperformed both world developed and emerging markets.
- Value underperformed growth.
- Small caps underperformed large caps.

Ranked Returns (%)



World Market Capitalisation



Europe Developed
£11.8 Trillion

Periodic Returns (%)

Asset Class	QTR	YTD	ANNUALISED					
			1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years	15 Years	20 Years
Growth	13.24	8.71	16.43	9.03	6.13	9.11	8.42	8.18
Large Cap	10.22	9.26	22.49	14.53	10.38	10.00	8.23	7.40
Marketwide	9.88	8.72	21.23	14.23	9.62	9.83	8.28	7.53
Value	7.52	9.74	28.68	20.17	14.54	10.55	7.76	6.37
Small Cap	6.89	3.99	10.65	11.53	4.03	8.39	8.62	8.24

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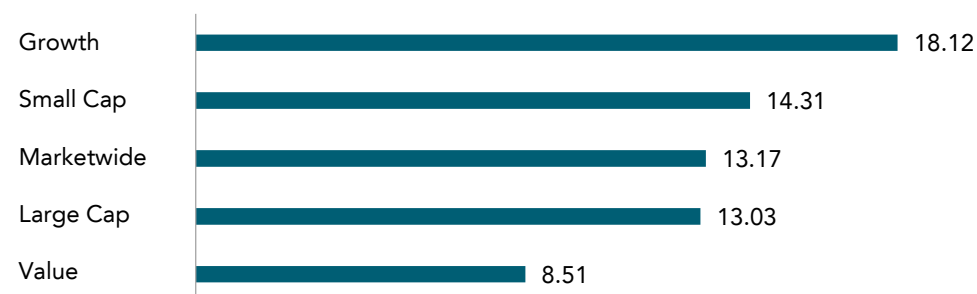
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World Developed Markets Equities

Returns (GBP), 2nd Quarter 2026

- World developed equity markets posted positive returns for the quarter and underperformed emerging equity markets.
- Value underperformed growth.
- Small caps outperformed large caps.

Ranked Returns (%)



World Market Capitalisation



World Developed
£75.3 Trillion

Periodic Returns (%)

Asset Class	QTR	YTD	ANNUALISED					
			1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years	15 Years	20 Years
Growth	18.12	10.30	25.40	19.68	12.81	15.76	14.40	12.39
Small Cap	14.31	18.19	34.38	15.92	8.32	10.94	10.90	10.01
Marketwide	13.17	11.89	26.21	17.38	11.90	12.95	12.17	10.50
Large Cap	13.03	11.17	25.28	17.54	12.37	13.22	12.34	10.52
Value	8.51	11.98	24.76	15.19	11.40	10.24	9.97	8.38

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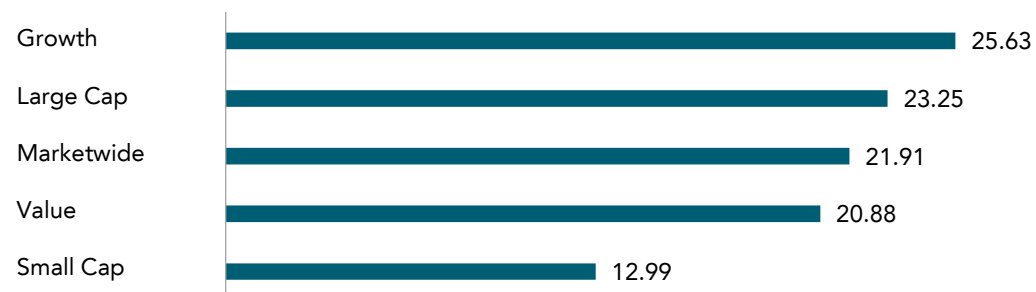
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Emerging Markets Equities

Returns (GBP), 2nd Quarter 2026

- Emerging equity markets posted positive returns for the quarter and outperformed developed equity markets.
- Value underperformed growth.
- Small caps underperformed large caps.

Ranked Returns (%)



World Market Capitalisation



Emerging Markets
£10.6 Trillion

Periodic Returns (%)

Asset Class	QTR	YTD	ANNUALISED					
			1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years	15 Years	20 Years
Growth	25.63	26.31	49.35	21.90	6.16	10.68	7.54	8.89
Large Cap	23.25	25.51	48.17	21.27	8.06	10.15	6.59	8.54
Marketwide	21.91	24.05	44.86	20.37	8.03	10.06	6.60	8.67
Value	20.88	24.66	46.89	20.56	10.05	9.51	5.53	8.10
Small Cap	12.99	14.40	24.81	14.64	8.02	9.56	6.75	9.52

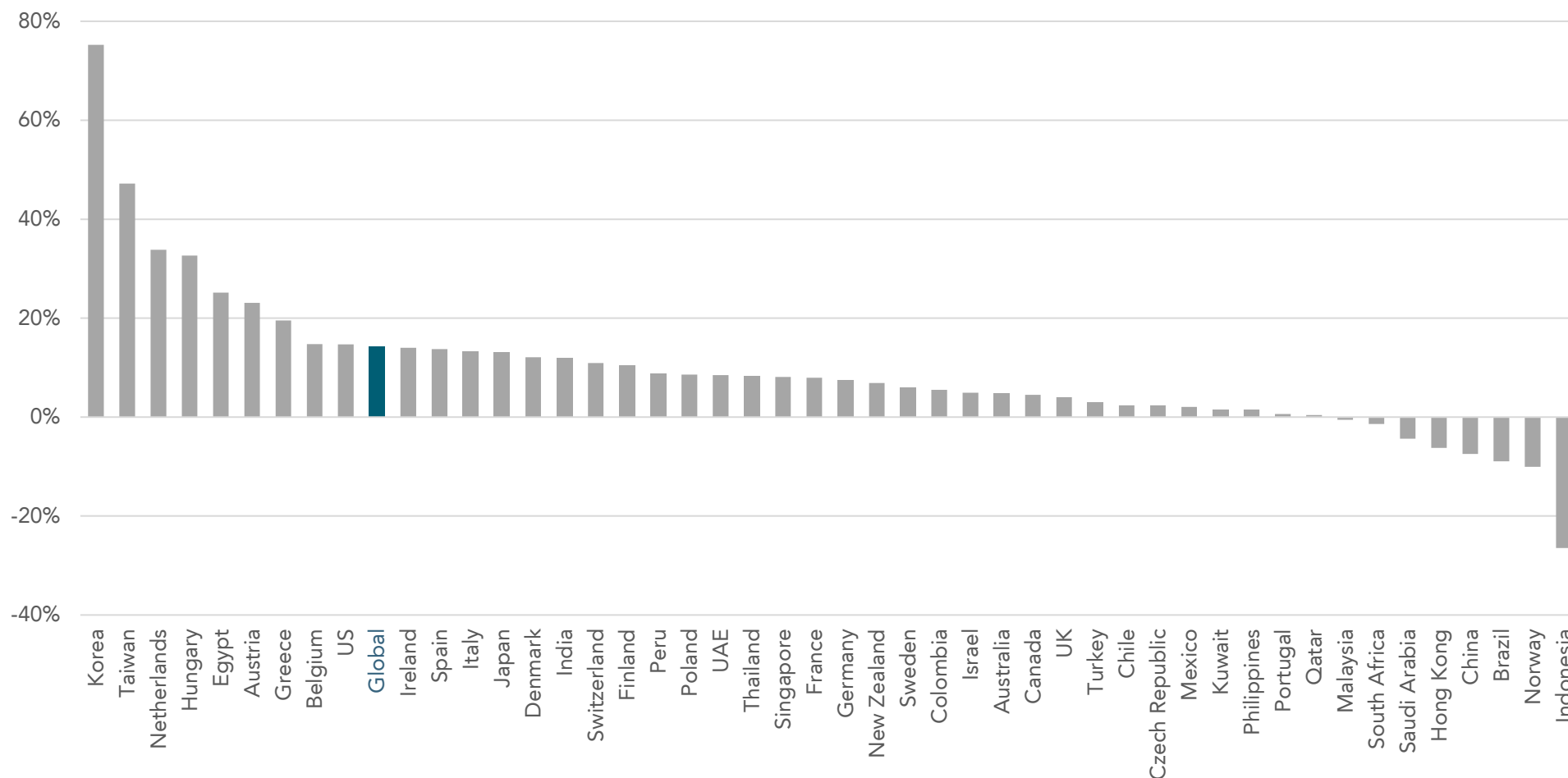
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Country Returns

Returns (GBP), 2nd Quarter 2026



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Fixed Income

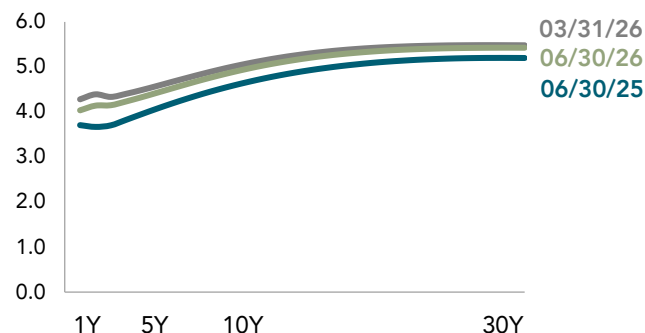
Returns, 2nd Quarter 2026

Interest rates decreased in the UK government bond market during the quarter. The UK government yield curve was relatively flat in the short-term maturity range while the intermediate- to long-term maturity range was upwardly sloped over the quarter.

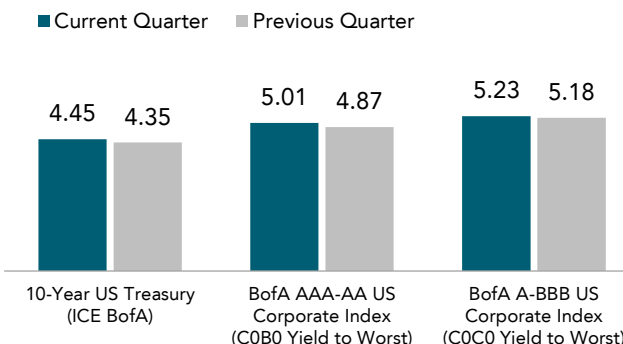
Realized term premiums, in bonds denominated in the British pound, were positive during the quarter as longer-term bonds outperformed their shorter-term counterparts.

Realized credit premiums, in bonds denominated in the British pound were positive during the quarter as corporate bonds generally outperformed government bonds.

UK Government Yield Curve (%)



Bond Yield Across Issuers (USD, %)



Periodic Returns (GBP, %)

	QTR	ANNUALISED						
		1 Year	YTD	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years	15 Years	20 Years
Government Bonds (hedged to GBP)								
Bloomberg Global Credit Bond Index (hedged to GBP)	2.09	1.51	4.82	6.10	0.84	2.22	3.34	4.11
FTSE Non-GBP World Government Bond Index (hedged to GBP)	1.06	1.01	2.28	3.26	-0.35	0.56	2.11	2.93
FTSE UK Government Bond Index (hedged to GBP)	2.10	0.06	2.51	2.73	-5.21	-1.54	1.54	2.57
Corporate Bonds (hedged to GBP)								
Bloomberg Global Credit Bond Index	2.09	1.51	4.82	6.10	0.84	2.22	3.34	4.11
Bloomberg Global Credit Bond Index: Aaa	1.64	1.60	3.39	4.38	-0.19	0.71	1.92	2.82
Bloomberg Global Credit Bond Index: Aa	1.35	0.90	3.45	4.34	-0.27	1.05	2.28	3.03
Bloomberg Global Credit Bond Index: A	1.74	1.20	4.28	5.24	0.34	1.69	2.93	3.49
Bloomberg Global Credit Bond Index: Baa	2.14	1.46	4.95	6.22	0.63	2.35	3.55	4.52
Bloomberg Global High Yield Corporate Index	2.86	2.21	5.96	8.82	3.49	4.73	5.21	6.17

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Global Fixed Income

Yield curves, 2nd Quarter 2026

Interest rate changes were mixed across global developed markets for the quarter. In the US and Japan, interest rates increased. Interest rates decreased in the UK, Germany, Canada, and Australia.

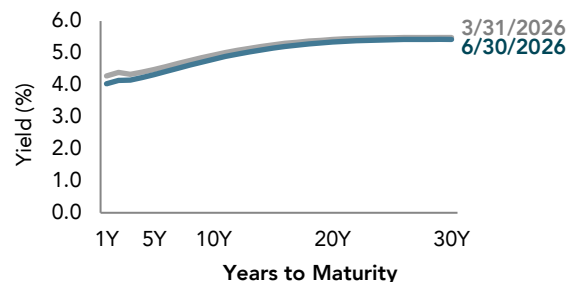
Realized term premiums were generally mixed across global developed markets. In the US, term premiums were broadly positive. However, within the short-term maturity range, term premiums were negative. In Canada and Australia, term premiums were positive. In Japan, term premiums were negative.

In the US, Canada, and Japan, yield curves remained generally upwardly sloped. In Germany, the short-term maturity range flattened but remained upwardly sloped like the overall yield curve. In Australia, the short-term maturity range inverted while the intermediate- to long-term maturity range remained upwardly sloped.

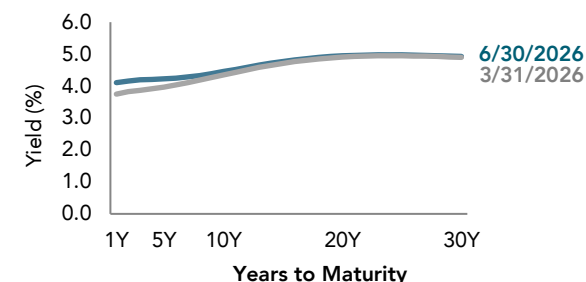
Changes in Yields (bps) since 3/31/2026

Asset Class	1Y	5Y	10Y	20Y	30Y
UK	-24.5	-15.9	-12.7	-8.0	-5.4
US	35.9	25.4	10.6	4.0	2.9
Germany	-7.8	-12.8	-13.5	-8.2	-4.0
Japan	5.3	12.4	30.2	30.4	20.5
Canada	-9.4	-6.6	-10.2	-9.8	-8.9
Australia	-0.1	-30.2	-23.2	-16.3	-10.6

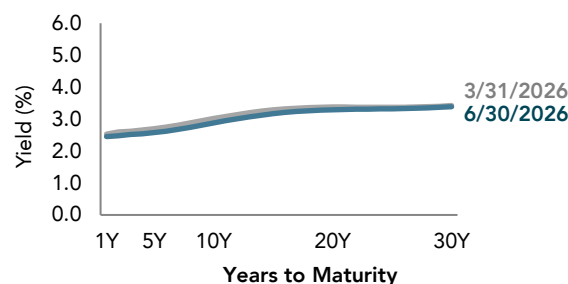
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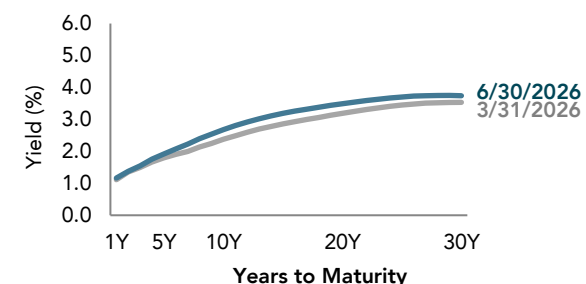
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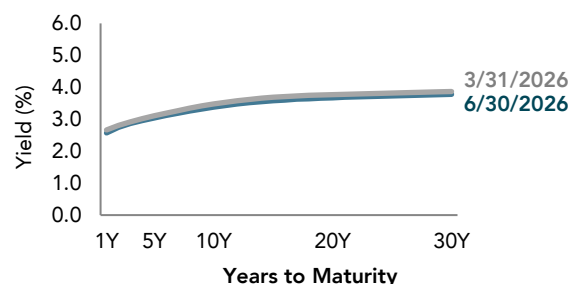
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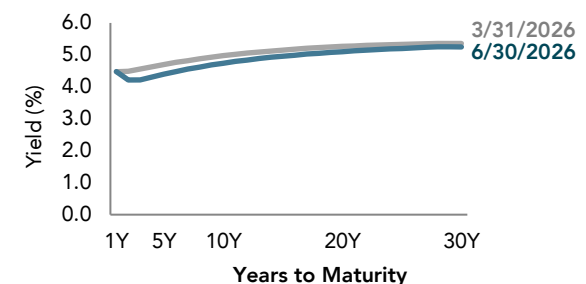
Japan



Canada



Australia



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