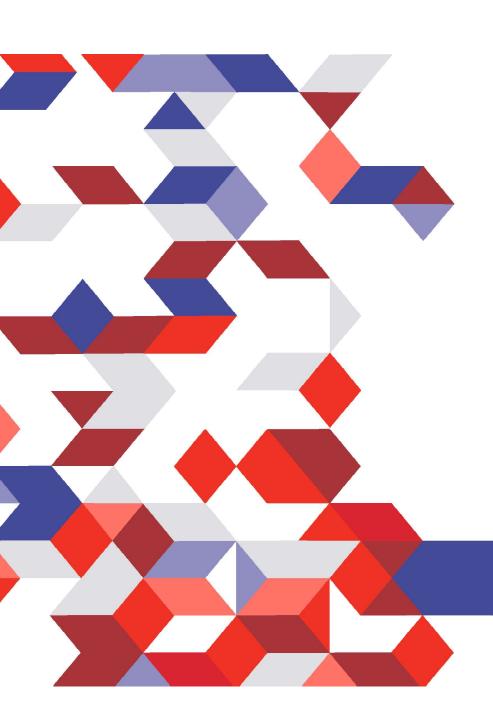


30th November 2024





CURRENCIES & MARKETS UPDATE

November 2024



HIGHS & LOWS

South African equities (-0.9%) recorded another negative month, in spite of the -0.25% interest rate cut, and the soaring US markets.

The Rand weakened by 2.5% for the month, on the back of a stronger US Dollar fueled by President-elect Trump's re-election and spectacular victory.

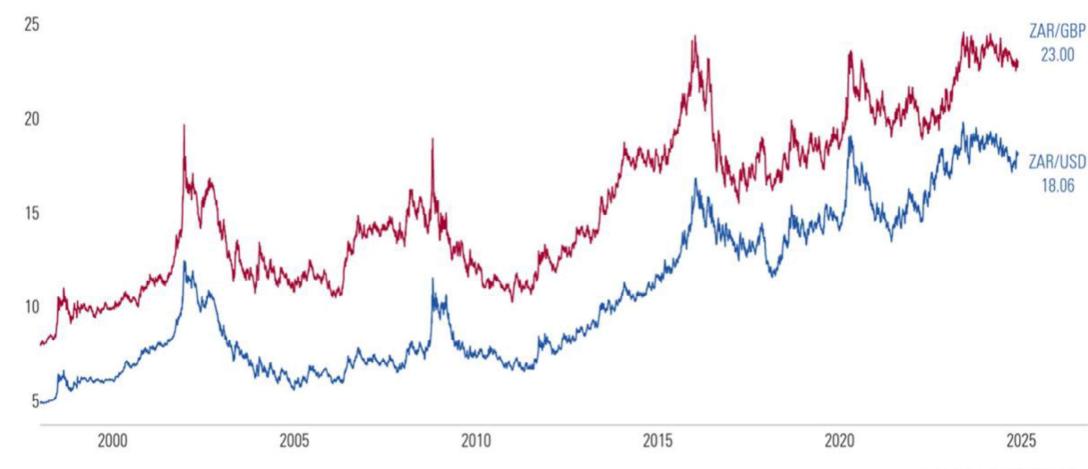
The SA Reserve Bank has signaled a measured approach with more rate cuts to come. Recently, we were shocked to see that SA's GDP contracted by -0.3% for the quarter although economists believe that the next quarter will be significantly better.

DOMESTIC
HIGHS & LOWS



South African Rand

Since 1998



Latest data point is Nov 29, 2024

ECONOMIC UPDATE

South Africa CPI:

2.84% pa (3.85%)

Prime Lending Rate:

11,25% pa (11.50%)

Currencies

Rand/USD: R18.11 (-2.43%)

Rand/GBP: R22.92 (-0.84%)

Rand/Euro: R19.04 (0.78%)

(red = weaker; green = stronger)



<u>Economic</u> <u>Update</u>

Investec Bank (Savings Account)

Investec Bank Deposit Rates

1-Day Call Rates

Money Fund: 8,11% pa (effective)
PrimeMoney Fund: 8,46% pa (effective)

15 & 32-Day Call Deposit Rates

15-Day: 8,40% pa (effective) 32-Day: 8,45% pa (effective)

Fixed Deposit Rates

36 months: 9.05% pa (effective) 60 months: 10.56% pa (effective)



Global markets experienced significant volatility during November, largely driven by Donald Trump's re-election as US President. The victory triggered significant differences between US and international markets, with US equities rallying while certain global markets declined. The immediate market reaction saw a pronounced 'Trump Trade' phenomenon, characterised by a surge in US equities and dollar strength (with Rand weakness).

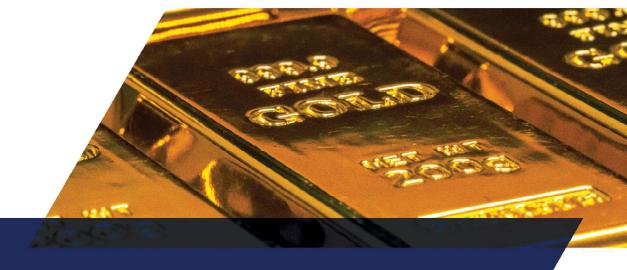
In spite of the Fed's -0.25% cut in interest rates 2 days after the election, the US dollar strengthened against major currencies, particularly impacting emerging market currencies, including the Rand.

US Indexes soared for November with the S&P 500 (5.9%), Dow Jones, Nasdaq (5.3%), and Russel 2000 reaching new all-time highs.

GLOBAL HIGHS & LOWS







INTERNATIONAL INDEXES

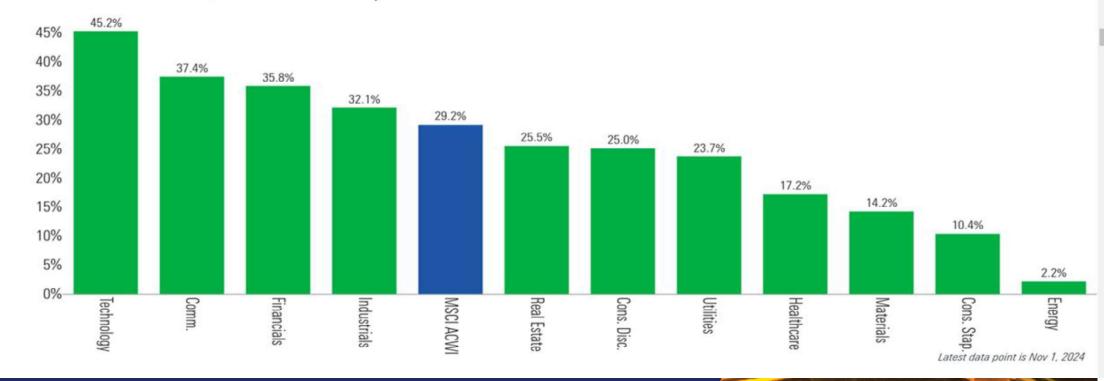
International Indexes Comparison	7
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Index	November %		YTD %		1 Year %		3 Year %		5 Year %		7 Year %	
JSE All-Share Index (Rand)	-0.94	8	13.76	4	16.04	5	10.50	2	12.96	3	8.92	4
US S&P 500 Index (USD)	5.87	1	28.07	1	33.89	1	11.44	1	17.77	2	14.41	2
US Nasdaq (USD)	5.31	2	25.31	2	32.27	2	9.97	3	21.01	1	19.59	1
UK FTSE 100 Index (USD)	1.44	4	10.76	6	15.83	6	8.10	5	5.84	6	4.80	6
German Dax Index (USD)	0.09	5	12.02	5	17.16	4	6.84	6	7.27	5	4.21	7
Japan Nikkei Index (USD)	-0.82	7	8.95	8	14.35	7	3.33	7	5.67	8	5.33	5
China Shangai Index (USD)	-0.22	6	9.64	7	8.25	8	-6.32	8	2.39	8	-1.24	8
MSCI World (USD)	4.62	3	22.34	3	28.39	3	9.31	4	12.96	3	11.43	3



Global Sector Returns - Year Over Year

MSCI ACWI Sectors, Local Currency

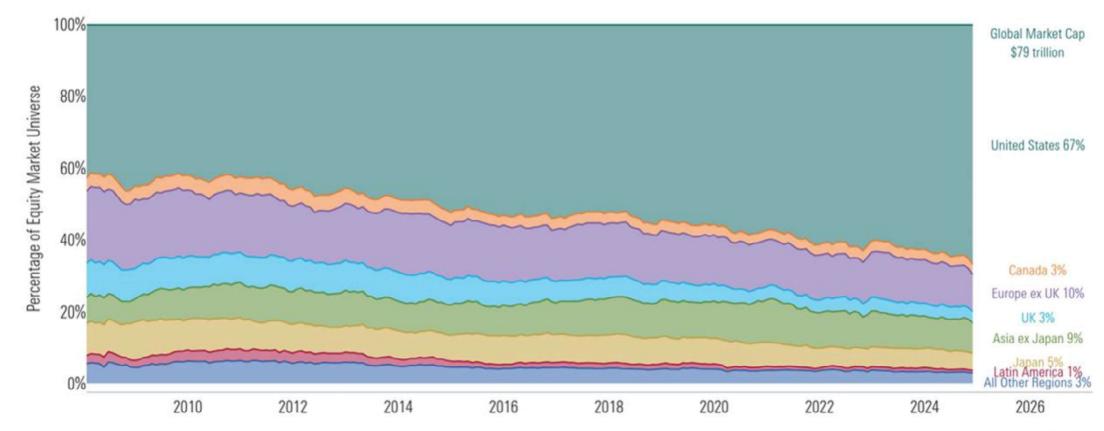






Global Equity Market by Size

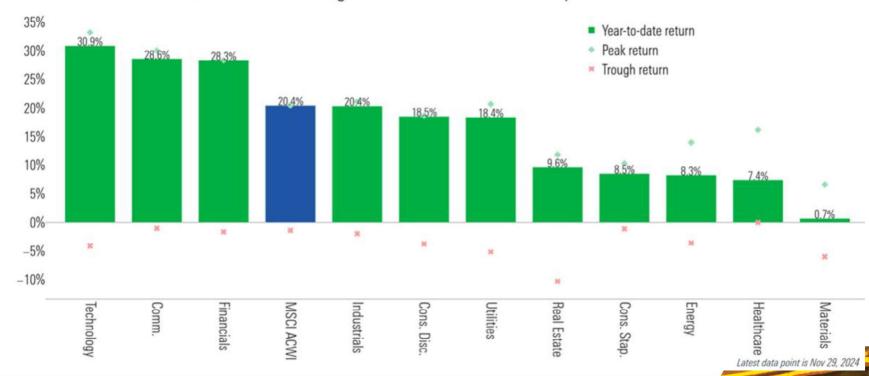
Region and Country Market Caps Relative to MSCI ACWI



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Global Sector Returns — Year-to-Date

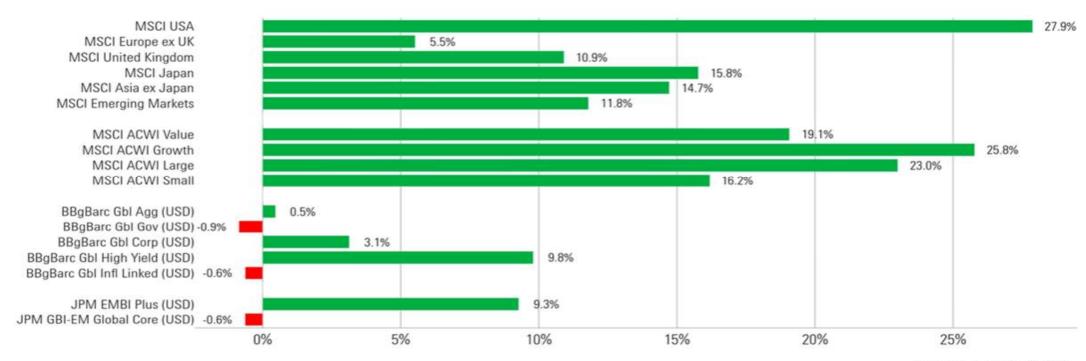
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Global Sector Returns



Global Asset Class Returns: Year-to-Date



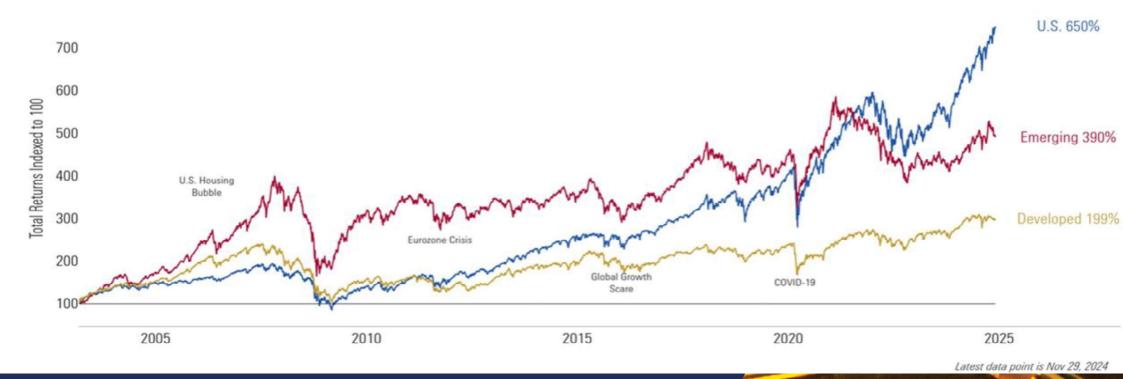
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Global Asset Class Returns



Global Stock Market Cycles

S&P 500, MSCI EAFE, and MSCI EM, Local Currency, Since 2003

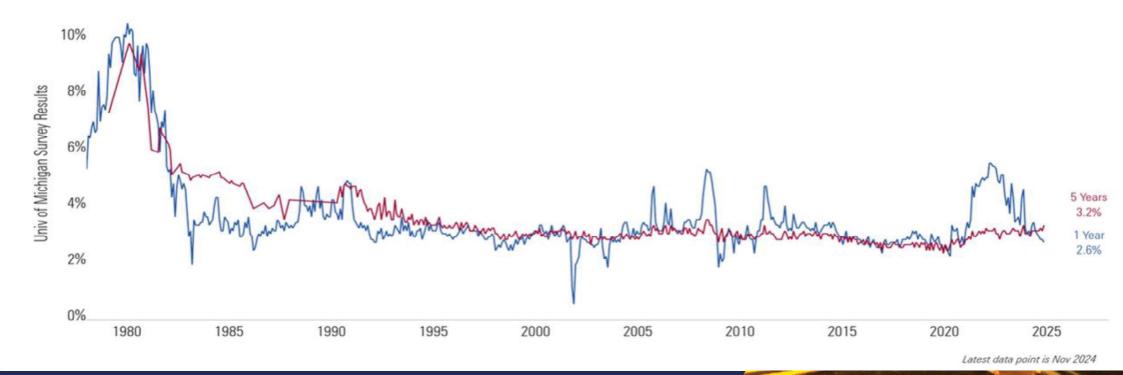


Global Stock Market Cycles



Consumer Inflation Expectations

Inflation Expectations Next 12 Months and 5 Years, Univ. of Michigan



Consumer Inflation Expectations

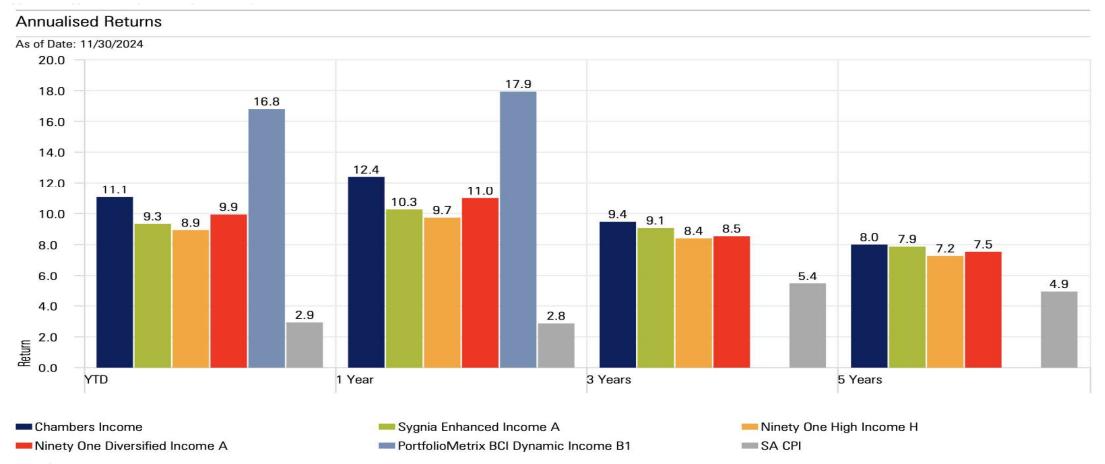






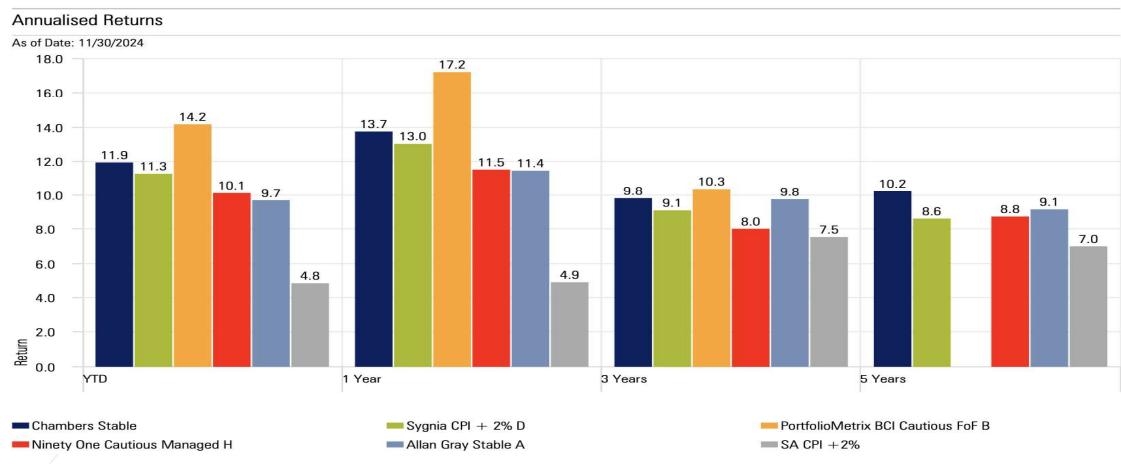
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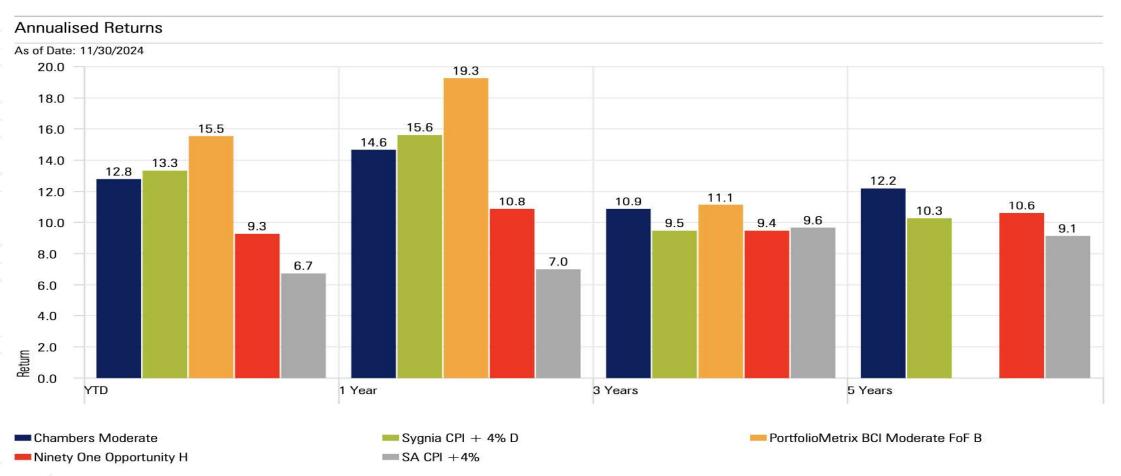


Investment horizon recommended: 6-18 months Equity (shares) exposure: <3%

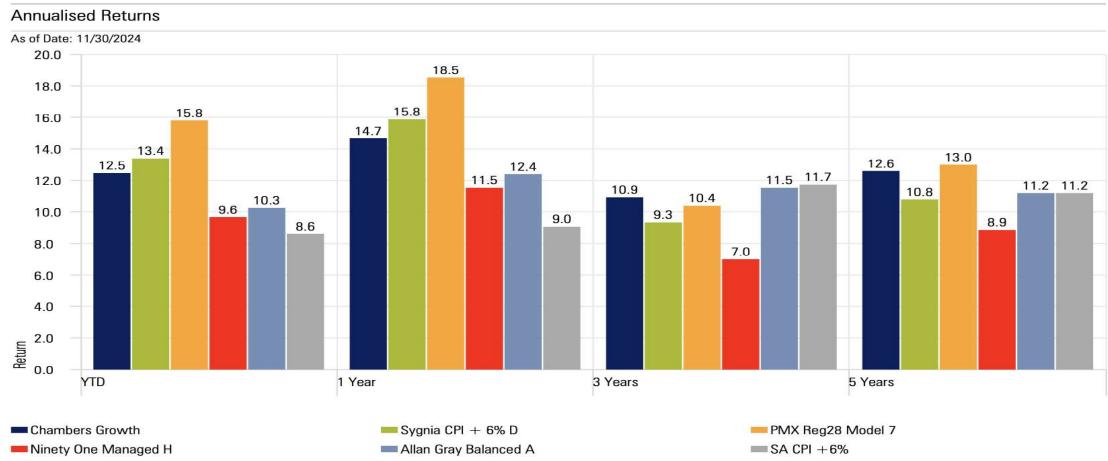
INCOME FUNDS / CASH PLUS



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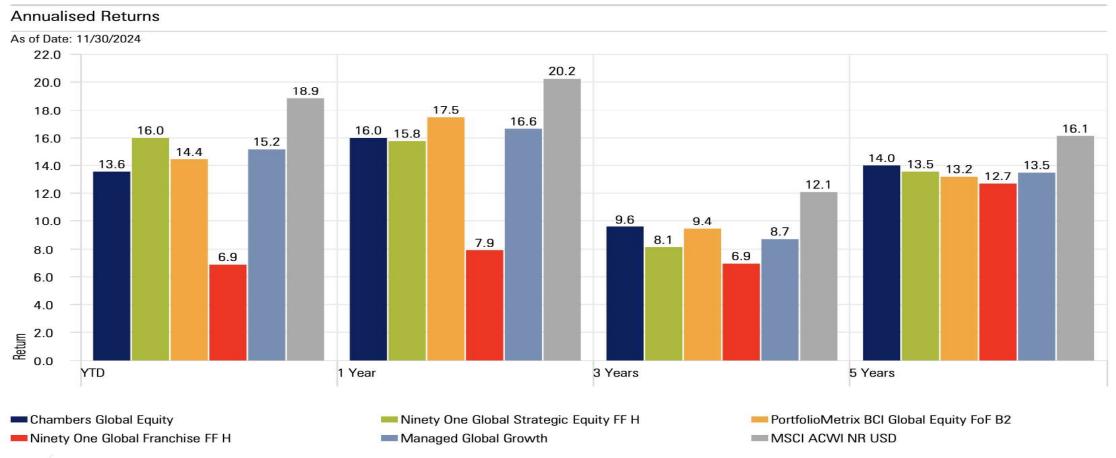
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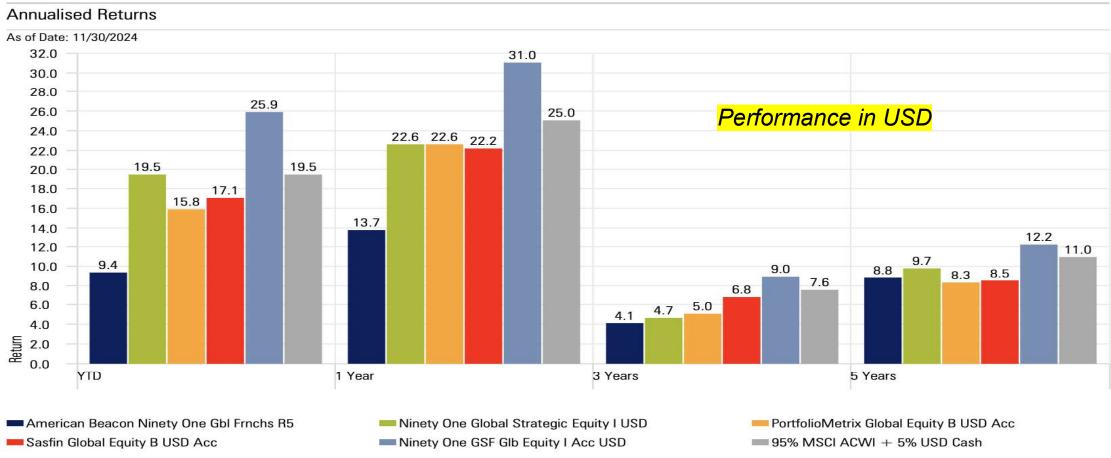
Investment horizon recommended: 3 to 5 Years

Equity (shares) exposure: <60%



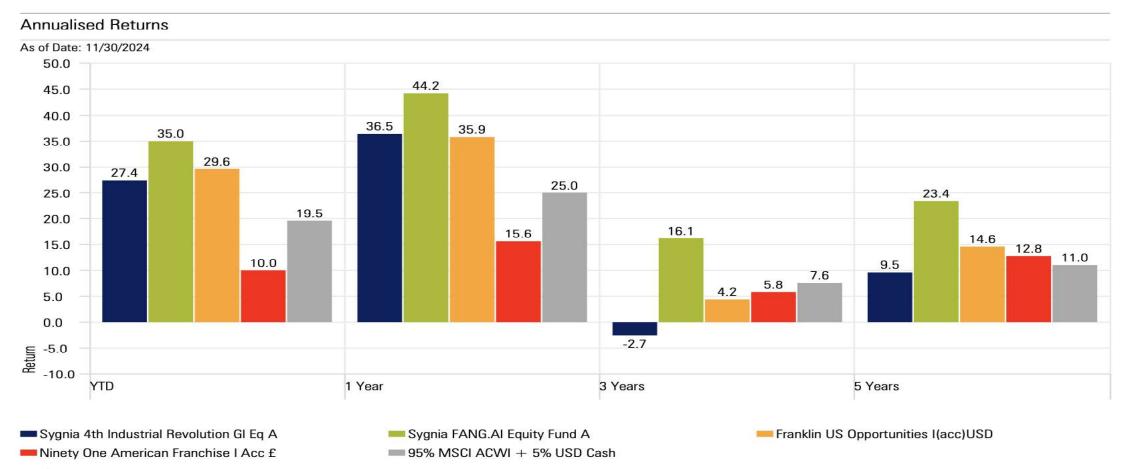


OFFSHORE FEEDER FUNDS



Investment horizon recommended: 5 to 7 Years Equity (shares) exposure: >95%

INTERNATIONAL FUNDS (USD)



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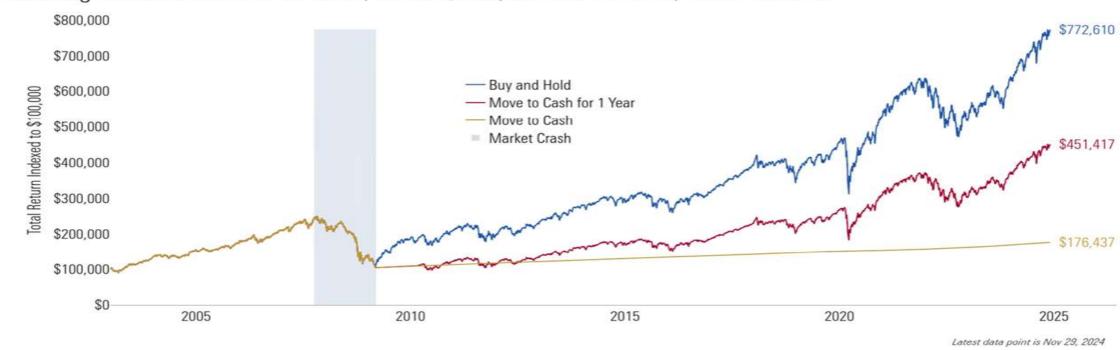
INTERNATIONAL SPECIALIST FUPerformance in USD

So, some clients are getting concerned that the markets are too expensive right now – lets examine a few stats



The Value of Staying Invested

Holding the MSCI ACWI vs Cash, Initial \$100,000 Investment, Total Returns



Source: Clearnomics, MSCI, Federal Reserve







Staying Invested: Missing the Best Days

25 years, Initial \$1,000 investment, S&P 500 Before Fees



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Staying Invested – Missing the Best Days



Stock Market Bull and Bear Cycles

S&P 500 Price Index Since 1956 Bear Market with Recessions Shaded



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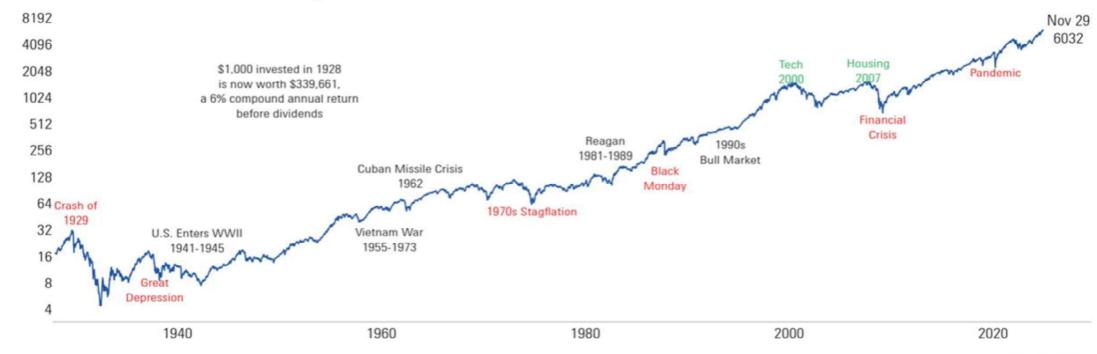
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Consumer Inflation Expectations



Stocks Since the Great Depression

S&P 500 Index Since 1928 (Log Scale)



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