Is a negative October good for stocks?



Source: Morningstar as of 10/31/20. Stock market represented by the S&P 500 Index from 1/1/70 to 10/31/20 and IA SBBI U.S. large cap stocks index from 1/1/26 to 1/1/70. Past performance does not guarantee or indicate future results. Index performance is for illustrative purposes only. You cannot invest directly in the index.

U.S. stock sectors by President

Sector performance

Average annual return for length of presidency, each sector of the S&P 500

Clinton	Bush	Obama	Trump	
Tech 30.3%	Energy 9.9%	Consumer Disc. 18.6%	Technology 26.8%	The top 3 performing
Financials 22.4%	Materials 6.6%	Technology 16.4%	Consumer Disc. 18.6%	
Healthcare 21.8%	Consumer Staples 4.2%	Healthcare 14.2%	Healthcare 12.7%	sectors have been the same under
Industrials 18.5%	Utilities -0.1%	ConsumerStaples 12.8%	Utilities 9.9%	Obama and Trump
Energy 16.0%	Industrials -1.0%	Industrials 12.7%	Materials 9.9%	
Comm. Services 15.1%	Healthcare -2.2%	Real Estate 12.7%	Comm. Services 9.1%	
Consumer Disc. 14.0%	Consumer Disc2.3%	Utilities 10.9%	Industrials 8.5%	
Utilities 13.4%	Financials -4.4%	Materials 10.1%	ConsumerStaples 7.4%	The worst performing sector
Consumer Staples 13.0%	Comm. Services -5.1%	Comm. Services 9.5%	Financials 6.8%	
Materials 6.6%	Technology-8.7%	Financials 7.2%	Real Estate 6.5%	has been the same under Obama and
		Energy 5.0%	Energy-16.4%	Trump

Source: Morningstar as of 10/31/20. Technology represented by the S&P 500 information technology sector index, Health care repesented by the S&P 500 health care sector index, Financials represented by the S&P 500 industrials represented by the S&P 500 industrial sector index, Materials represented by the S&P 500 materials sector index, Consumer discretionary represented by the S&P 500 consumer discretionary sector index, Communication services represented by the S&P 500 consumer discretionary sector index, Real estate represented by the S&P 500 real estate sector index and Consumer staples represented by the S&P 500 consumer staples sector index. Past performance does not guarantee or indicate future results. Index performance is for illustrative purposes only. You cannot invest directly in the index. Clinton period is from 11/4/1992 to 12/13/2000, Bush time period from 12/14/2004 to 11/4/2008, Obama time period from 11/5/2008 to 11/8/2016 and Trump time period from 11/9/2016 to 10/31/2020.

Lower bond returns taking hold

Bonds on pace for the lowest returns since the 1960s

U.S. bond returns follow interest rates

(Avg. annual 10-year returns since 1926)



Source: Morningstar and U.S. Treasury as of 10/31/20. †Represents return decade-to-date (1/1/10 to 10/31/20). U.S. Bonds represented by the IAUS IT Govt Tr Index before 1979 and by the BBg Barc US Agg Bond Index after 1979. Past performance does not guarantee or indicate future results. Index performance is for illustrative purposes only. You cannot invest directly in the index.

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A diversified portfolio can work even though it never feels good

Last 20 years

40% U.S. stocks, 10% international stocks, 5% small cap stocks, 5% emerging market stocks, 30% U.S. bonds, 10% high yield bonds

Years	S&P 500	Diversified Portfolio		
2000-2002†	-18.4%	-6.8%		"I lost money"
2003-2007	82.9%	80.1%		"I didn't make as much"
2008	-37.0%	-24.0%		"I lost money"
2009–2019	351.0%	195.9%		"I didn't make as much"
2020 ⁺	-30.4%	-20.7%		"I lost money"
2020*	51.8%	30.0%		"I didn't make as much"
Total Return	247.1%	253.5%		"Diversification can work even
Gr \$100K	\$347,100	\$353,530		when it feels like its losing"

Source: Morningstar as of 9/30/20. ¹Performance is from 10/1/2000 to 12/31/02. ¹Performance is from 1/1/20 to 3/23/20. ¹Performance is from 3/24/20 to 9/30/20. Diversified Portfolio is represented by 40% S&P 500 Index, 10% MSCI EAFE Index, 5% Russell 2000 Index, 30% Bloomberg Barclays US Aggregate Bond Index, and 10% Bloomberg Barclays US Corporate High Yeld Index, 5% FTSE Emerging Stock Index. Past performance does not guarantee or indicate future results. Index performance is for illustrative purposes only. You cannot invest directly in the index.

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