



- U.S. stock returns were mixed during the holiday-shortened week. The S&P 500 fell 0.68% on a total return basis.
- The continued rise of interest rates was a key contributor to the mixed performance of stocks. Financial stocks have benefited from the upswing, while other sectors have been negatively impacted. The 10-Year Treasury rate ended the week at 1.34%.
- Investors are starting to see signs of increased inflation. Producer prices increased by 1.3% in January – the largest month-over-month increase since 2009.

Figure 1. Index Performance

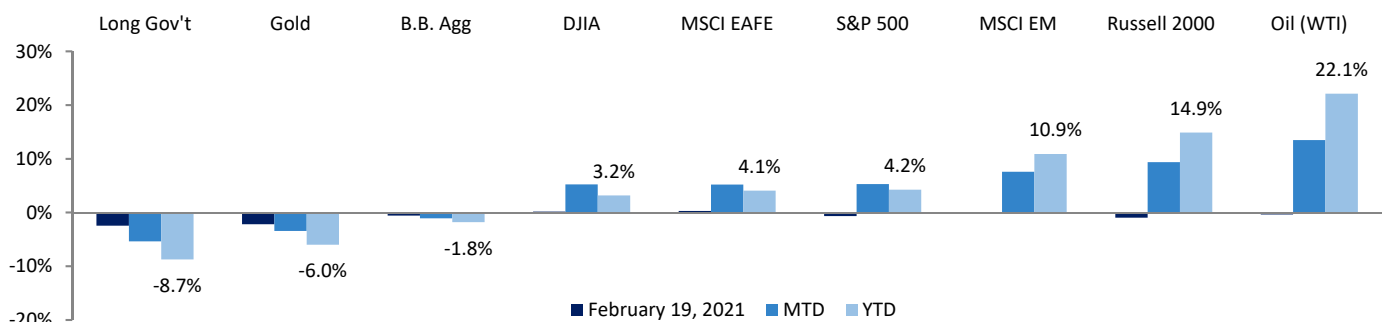


Figure 2. S&P 500 Sector Performance

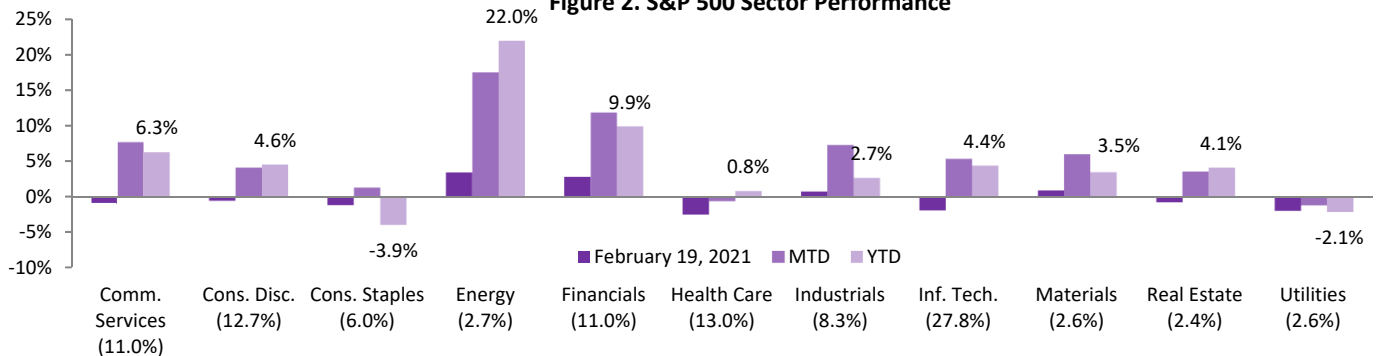
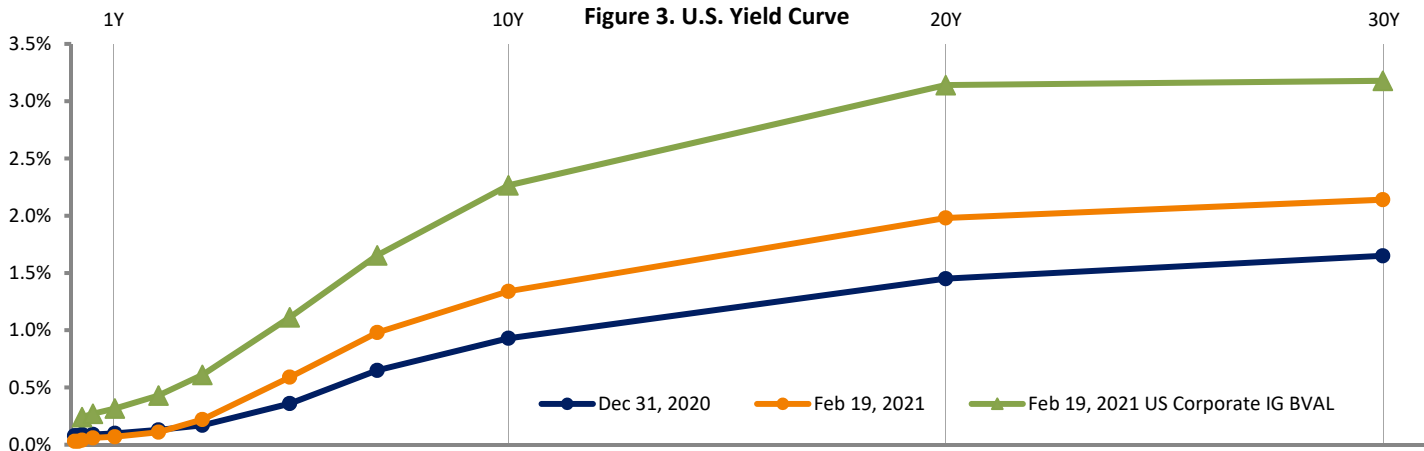


Figure 3. U.S. Yield Curve



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