



- The S&P 500 Index rose 6.19% on a total return basis last week, posting its best weekly gain since November 2020. The index is now up 5.6% since Russia invaded Ukraine and has trimmed year-to-date losses to -6.4%.
- The Fed raised interest rates by a quarter-percentage-point on Wednesday and new projections show that most officials expect the fed-funds rate to rise to at least 1.875% by the end of the year.
- Existing-home sales fell 7.2% in February from the prior month as home-buying demand continued to exceed supply, and 30-year fixed mortgage rates crossed 4% for the first time since 2019.

Figure 1. Index Performance

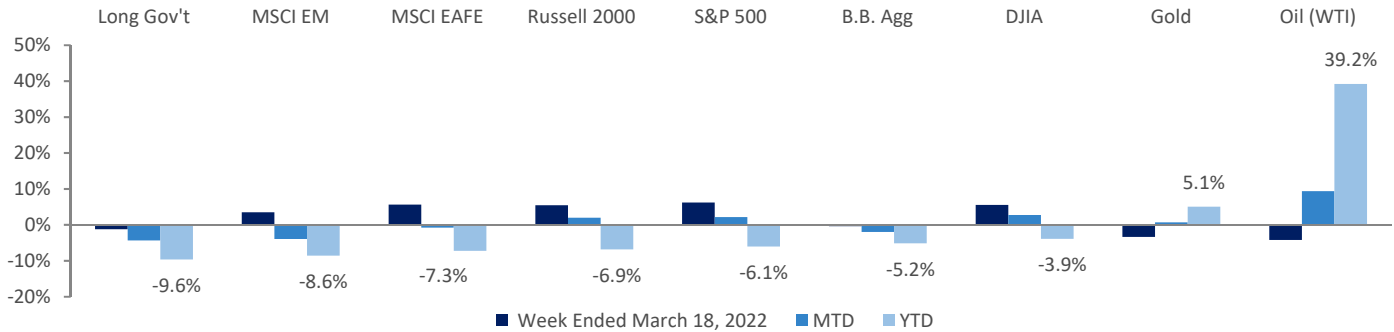


Figure 2. S&P 500 Sector Performance

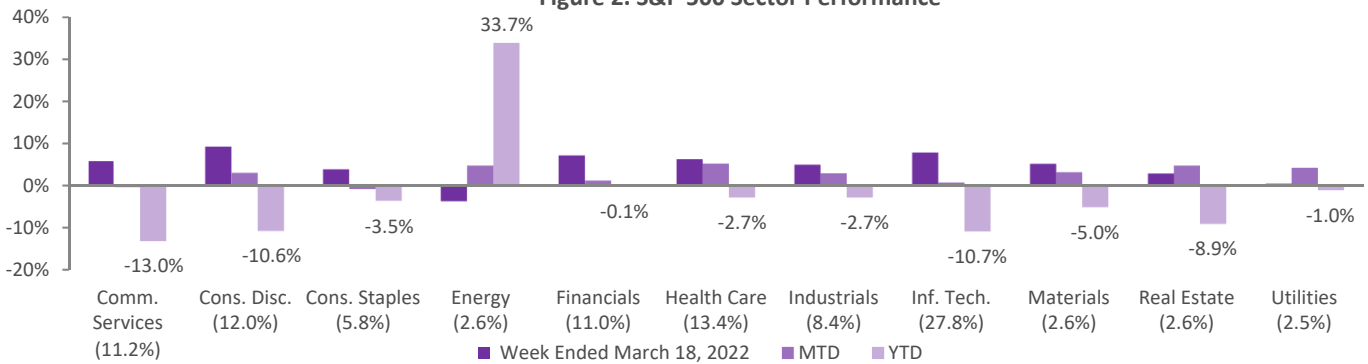
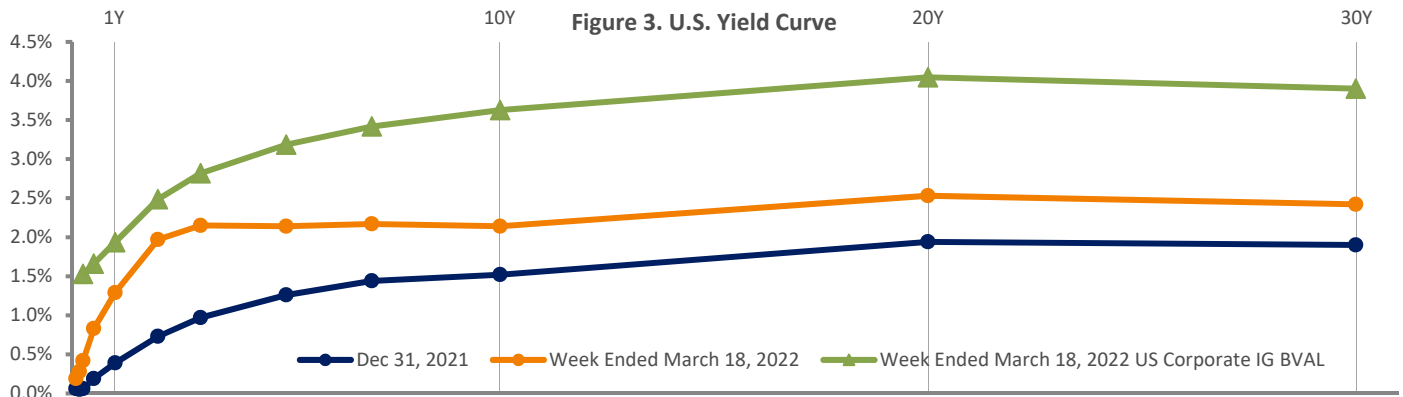


Figure 3. U.S. Yield Curve



Data Source: Bloomberg Index Services, MSCI, S&P Global, FTSE Russell

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