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# MONTHLY HIGHLIGHTS

Fresh ideas for a life well planned.

### #FoodForThought

"Don't tell me where your priorities are. Show me where you spend your money and I'll tell you what they are." – James W. Frick

# **UNCERTAINITY ABOUT UNCERTAINITIES!**



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# MARKET WRAP



Markets seek direction, hope for soft landing

Markets failed in May, seeking certainty amid conflicting signals.

May was a complex month in a complex year. For now, expect the volatility to continue and for the markets to continue their search for a surer way forward. Weak markets are challenging for any investor, but doubly so for those who take too big a bite from exciting trends at the cost of more pragmatic

# **INSIDE THIS EDITION:**

- My monthly video message
- <u>Financial Markets Wrap</u>
- Upcoming & Past Events
- Infographic of the Month
- Some timely updates
- June Plan for all Seasons
- Ways to connect

### approaches.

Index	12/31/21 Close	5/31/22 Close	Change Year to Date	% Gain/Loss Year to Date
Dow Jones Industrial Average (DJIA)	36,338	32,990	-3,348	-9.21%
NASDAQ	15,645	12,081	-3,564	-22.78%
S&P 500	4,766	4,132	-634	-13.30%
MSCI EAFE	2,336	2,063	-272	-11.68%
Russell 2000	2,245	1,864	-381	-16.98%
Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index	2,355	2,156	-199	-8.47%

Source: Raymond James Markets & Investing.

Performance reflects price returns as of market close on May 31, 2022. For the MSCI EAFE and Bloomberg Aggregate Bond indices, values reflect May 27 closing prices.

### **UPCOMING & PAST EVENTS**

# TECH PROFESSIONALS GUIDE TO PERSONAL FINANCE

A 12-part educational series on information you will need to realize the power of your money.

# Webinar topic for June 2022 : Personal Finance is Personal

Changing jobs, marriage, having a child, divorce, retirement and beyond - your financial situation is personal! And giving meaning to your finances could be the best thing to do.

Other topics discussed in the series: Balancing Spending | Managing Savings | Investing
Housing & Real Estate | Stock-based Compensation
Managing Taxes | Retirement Planning | Liquidity Events
Personal Finance | Legacy & Charitable Giving

Event sponsored by Raymond James & Associates, Inc.

<u>Monthly Educational Series hosted by Ali Dhanji</u> (Click or Scan to Register)

# **Ascending Into Summer**



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# SCAN ME



Next Session: June 30th, 2022 3:00pm CDT

**Bobby Griffin, CFA** Director, Equity Research, Consumer Hardline/Specialty Retail Analyst

#### Chris Meekins

Managing Director, Equity Research, HealthCare Policy Analyst

#### Savanthi Syth, CFA

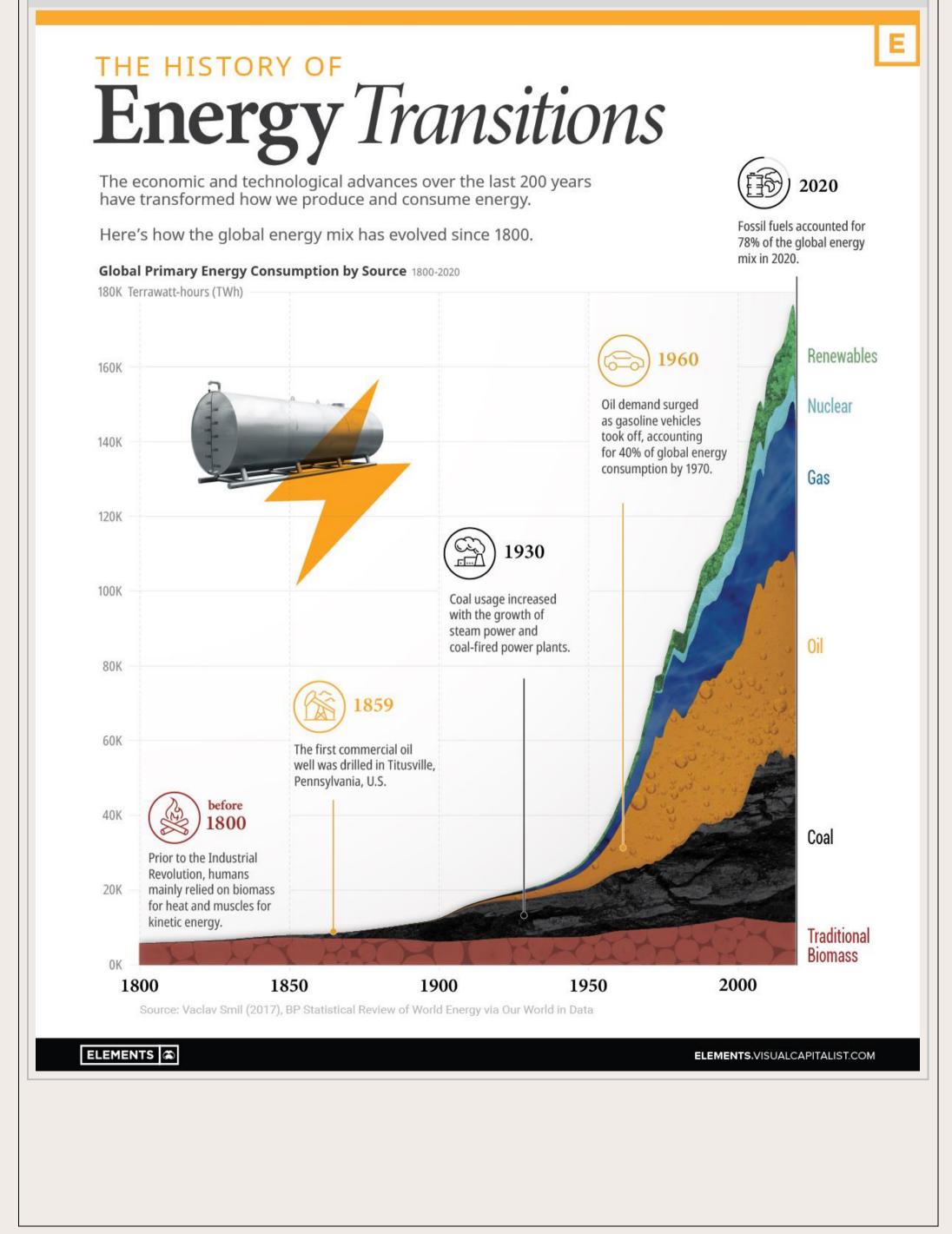
Managing Director, Equity Research, Airlines Analyst

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Raymond James Chief Investment Officer, Larry Adam's Client Webinar (Click for Webinar Replay)

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## **INFOGRAPHIC OF THE MONTH**



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## **SPECIAL PRIMER**

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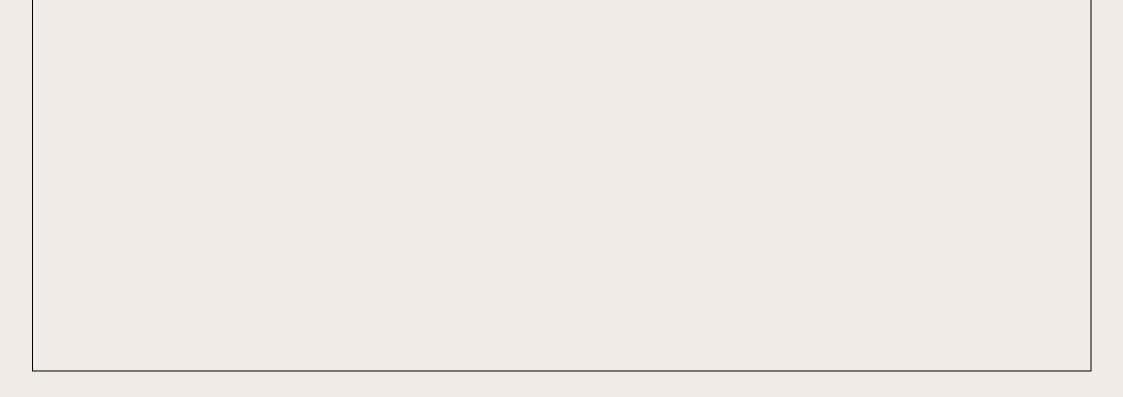
# **Cryptocurrency Primer**

A quick guide on cryptocurrency application and risks

Raymond James Cryptocurrency Primer (Click to download pdf)

### **TIMELY UPDATES**

Business Ownership: Expand your entrepreneurial reach with a new business Tax Planning: Sorting through complicated compensation plans Estate & Giving: As the tax law sunset nears, review savvy gifting solutions Family & Lifestyle: Four priceless money lessons for kids Retirement & Longevity: Social Security myths and misconceptions Technology & Innovation: Quick facts about the bright future of Solar energy



## PLAN FOR ALL SEASONS

### Market Closure:

June 20: Juneteenth (observed)

## Dates To Remember:

- June 15: The deadline for U.S. citizens abroad to file tax returns. Second quarter estimated tax payments are also due, if required
- June 19: Father's Day
- June 19: Juneteenth

# Things To Do:

- Create an account with SSA.gov: Check your earnings history for accuracy and review your expected benefits; doing this regularly should ward off error. If you're close to retirement age, discuss with your advisor when and how you should file to maximize household benefits.
- Freshen up your estate plan: Check the beneficiaries of your IRAs, insurance policies, trusts and other accounts, and update information that's no longer relevant. Ensure your plan protects you and your family in the case of an unexpected event.
- Pencil in a family meeting: Legacy planning is more than sharing wealth it's also about passing down family values and history to the next generation. Host a family meeting to spark dialogue about traditions and building the future you want to see.
- Share big news with your financial team: Speak with your advisor about major life changes you've experienced and how your financial plan could be affected. These changes include marriages, births, deaths, divorces, a sudden windfall and more.
- Check for college deadlines: Many colleges and universities have registration and tuition payment deadlines in the summer months. If you have a 529 plan, make sure to discuss qualified expenses and payment plans with your advisor.
- Assess insurance needs: Periodically review coverage to ensure proper protection, especially if you've recently experienced major life events; your advisor can help as part of your larger risk management plan.

Once-in-a-lifetime trip: Travelers are planning big bucket list adventures to make up for lost time, according to Trafalgar. Skyscanner reported that 2022 bookings were up for flights to Cancún, London, Paris, Rome and Tokyo.

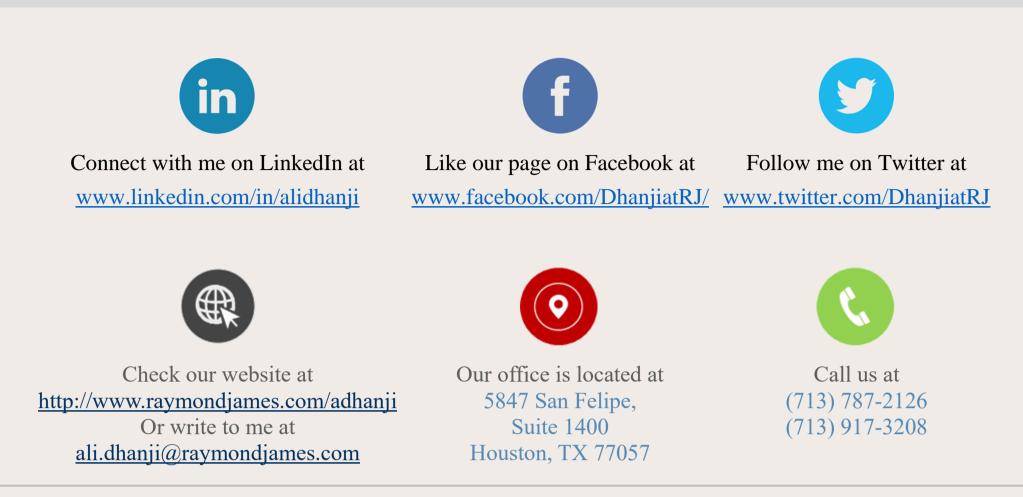
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