

## THE STOCK MARKET'S COVID PATTERN: FASTER RECOVERY FROM EACH PANIC

STRONG ARGUMENT FOR A CONTINUATION OF POSITIVE RETURNS IN EQUITIES FOR 2022

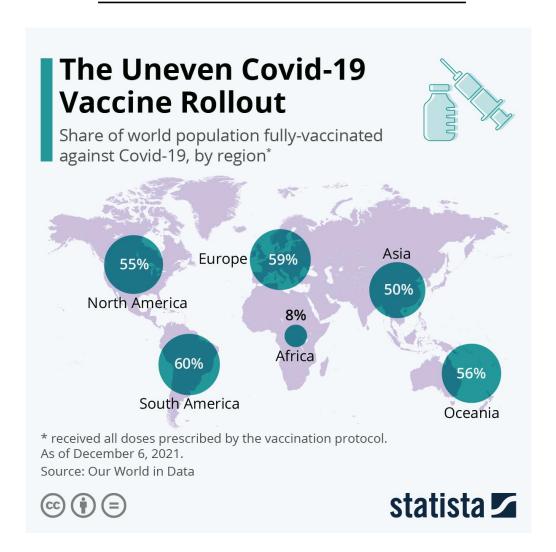


### FOUR SCENARIOS FOR THE POTENTIAL IMPACT ON GLOBAL GROWTH

- ✓ Downside Scenario: Omicron transmits faster than predecessor, delta. This results in first-quarter global growth slowing to a 2% quarter-on-quarter annual rate, or roughly 2.5% below Goldman's current forecast.
- ✓ Severe Downside: Both the disease severity and immunity against hospitalizations are substantially worse than for delta. Global economic growth takes a more substantial hit, while "the inflation impact is again ambiguous".
- ✓ False Alarm: Omicron spreads slower than delta and has no significant effect on global growth and inflation.
- ✓ Upside: Omicron is slightly more transmissible, but causes much less severe disease. In this speculative "normalization" scenario, a net reduction in disease burden leaves global growth higher than Goldman's baseline. Inflation is likely lower as the rebalancing of demand, and the recovery in goods and labour supply accelerate.

# NEW COVID VARIANTS ARE GOING TO KEEP EMERGING UNTIL THE GLOBAL VACCINATION RATE IMPROVES

### **Vaccination Rates Around The Globe.**



## PFIZER SAYS ITS BOOSTER OFFERS STRONG PROTECTION AGAINST OMICRON

### **Booster Shots Are Effective Against Omicron.**

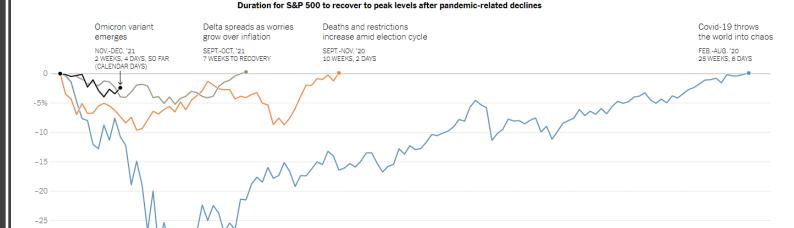
WASHINGTON — <u>Pfizer and BioNTech said</u> Wednesday that laboratory tests suggest a booster shot of their coronavirus vaccine offers significant protection against the fast-spreading Omicron variant of the virus.

The companies said that tests of blood from people who had received only two doses found much lower levels of antibodies protecting against Omicron than against an earlier version of the virus. That suggests that two doses "may not be sufficient to protect against infection" by the new variant, the companies said.

While limited in scope — to get fast results, the companies examined only about 39 samples — the findings provided a bit of hopeful news at a time of renewed uncertainty. Health departments are identifying close to 100,000 cases a day, hospitalizations are ticking up and deaths are again on the rise in the United States, almost all due to the Delta variant.

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### **Historic Recovery From Each COVID Variant.**



✓ Historically the market has recovered faster each time there is a new COVID scare.

Percentage change in the S&P 500 during each period

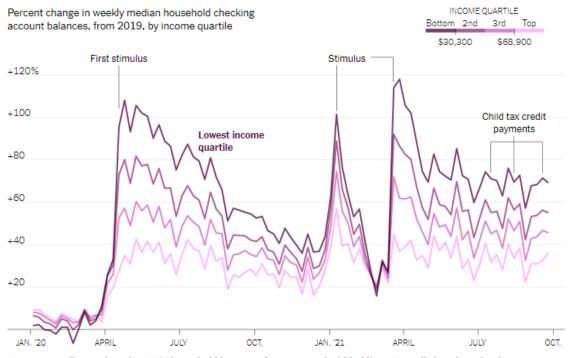
✓ This suggests investors should not panic sell.

### MOODY'S **ANALYTICS** ESTIMATES THAT THERE WAS STILL \$2.5 TRILLION LEFT IN OVERALL EXCESS SAVING; **DECREASING BY** \$50 BILLION A MONTH TO THE END OF 2021

### **Consumers Are Rich With Savings.**

### The poorest households saw the greatest impact from stimulus.

But spikes in savings faded quickly.



 $Income \ quartiles \ are \ based \ on \ 2019 \ household \ income, \ after \ taxes \ and \ withholdings. \ Quartile \ benchmarks \ shown \ are \ rounded \ to \ the \ nearest \ \$100. \ \circ \ Source: \ J.P. \ Morgan \ Chase \ Institute \ \circ \ By \ Ella \ Koeze$ 

✓ Consumers are still cash healthy as a result of lockdown and working from home.

### INFLATION IS STILL BEING DRIVEN PRIMARILY BY THOSE GOODS AND SERVICES THAT ARE MOST SENSITIVE TO THE PANDEMIC

### **Inflation Is Being Driven By COVID.**



- High inflation is specific to sectors most impacted by COVID.
- ✓ Energy prices seem to be pulling back from their highs.

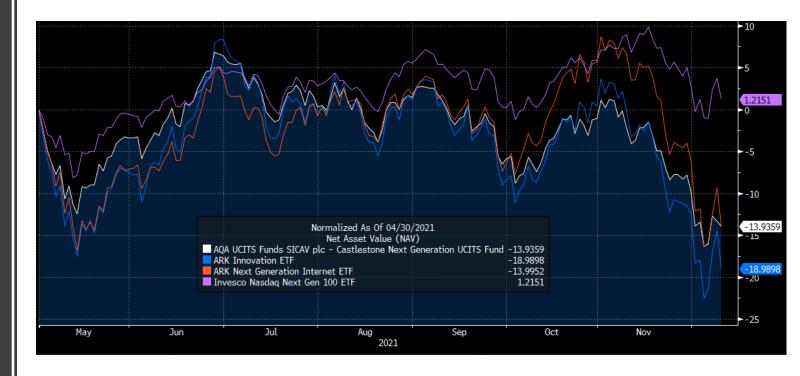
### **INFLOWS INTO** ETF'S IN OCTOBER AMOUNTED TO \$76.9 BILLION, MAKING IT THE THIRD-LARGEST INFLOW MONTH IN 2021

### **Equity Inflows Continue To Be Positive.**

- ✓ The nearly 30% gain from September is primarily from a rebound in U.S. equity investing, which jumped from \$25.5 billion worth of inflows in September to \$51.2 billion last month, according to ETF.com data provider FactSet.
- ✓ The iShares Core S&P 500 ETF (IVV) was a zero-to-hero leader, going from having the largest outflow in September at almost \$3.1 billion to gaining a whopping \$9.1 billion in October.
- ✓ Other broad funds that appeared in the month's top 10 include the SPDR S&P 500 ETF Trust (SPY), the Vanguard S&P 500 ETF (VOO) and the Vanguard Total Stock Market ETF (VTI), which gained a combined \$10.2 billion.
- ✓ Fixed income funds saw the largest outflows on the month, as investors retook risk-on positions and feared that inflation would cut further into bottom-scraping yields.

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