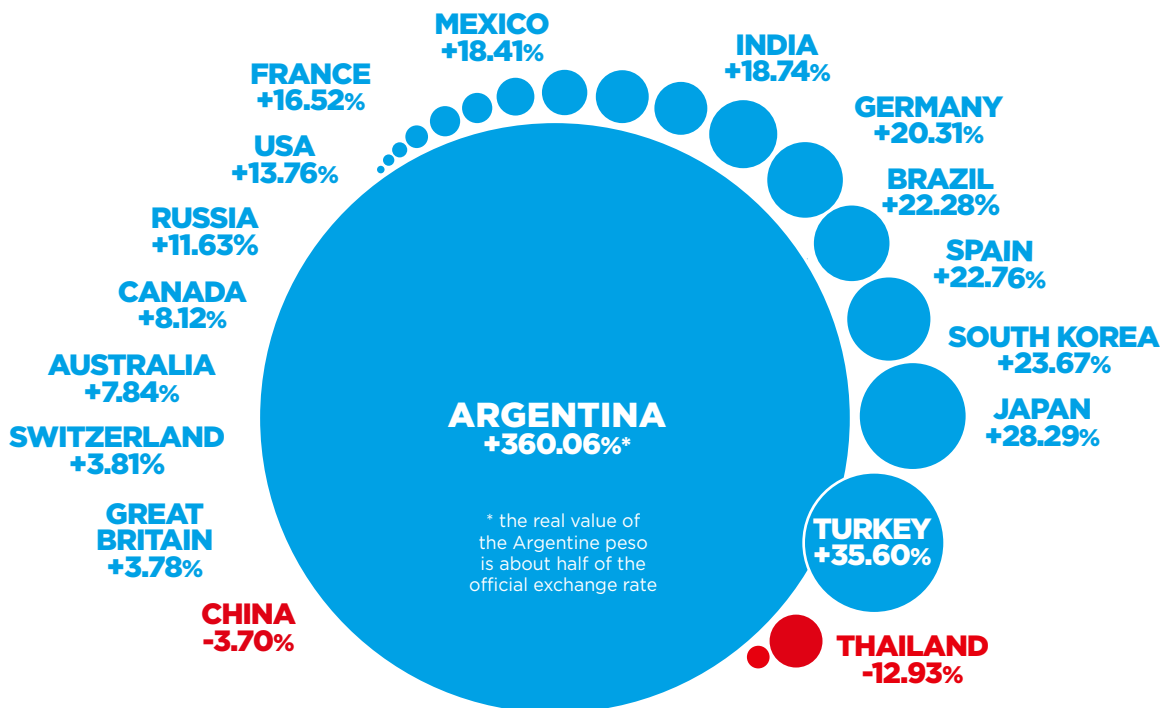


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Winners and losers in December 2023 :

Stocks Argentina (Index in country currency) +14.30%	Currency Argentina (ARS/EUR) -56.08%
Stocks India (Index in country currency) +7.84%	Oil (Raw materials, in USD) -6.05%
Stocks Australia (Index in country currency) +7.10%	Stocks Türkei (Index in country currency) -6.02%
Stocks Southkorea (Index in country currency) +6.15%	Silver (Raw materials, in USD) -5.77%

Fluctuations of Stock Exchange Indices during 1 year period 31.12.2022 - 31.12.2023 (in local currencies)



«The program of liberalism in one word is 'property.'»
Ludwig von Mises

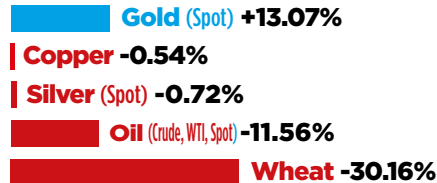
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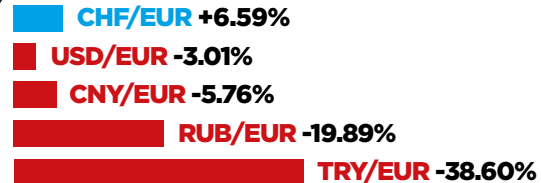
Exchange Rates 1 Year

(31.12.2022 - 31.12.2023)

Raw Materials (in USD)



Currencies



Indices (Natural Resources) (in USD)



Looking back on the year 2023

January 2, 2023	Brazilian President Lula takes office.
January 3, 2023	Benjamin Netanyahu is sworn in as Israeli Prime Minister for the sixth time.
January 5, 2023	Peruvians demand the resignation of interim President Dina Boluarte
January 7, 2023	Republican Kevin McCarthy is elected Speaker of the US Congress.
January 10, 2023	Deaths during riots in Peru
16 January 2023	Doreen Denstädt is nominated as the new Minister of Justice and Migration. Minister of Defense Christine Lambrecht resigns after numerous inadequacies. Storms and flooding in California
17 January 2023	Boris Pistorius becomes the new German Minister of Defense
January 18, 2023	Ukrainian interior minister and deputy die in helicopter crash
January 20, 2023	Millions of people protest in France against the planned pension reform
January 23, 2023	Erdogan brings forward election date to May 14
January 26, 2023	Palestinian stabs two people to death on a regional train from Kiel to Hamburg Machete attack in two churches in Algeciras, Spain, with at least one dead
January 30, 2023	Pakistan: Islamist suicide bomber kills 27 people Petr Pavel is elected fourth President of the Czech Republic
February 1, 2023	Purge wave in Ukraine, dismissals of government members suspected of corruption Great Britain: wave of strikes due to economic crisis
February 6, 2023	Severe earthquake in Turkey and Syria with a magnitude of 7.8 - more than 50,000 fatalities.
February 16, 2023	The US Air Force shoots down a Chinese weather balloon over the USA Scottish First Minister Nicola Sturgeon resigns

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February 20, 2023	US President Biden visits Kiev after Putin assures him of free passage Joint military exercise between South Africa, Russia and China French army leaves Burkina Faso
February 21, 2023	Further earthquake in Turkey and Syria with a magnitude of 6.4
February 24, 2023	North Korea fires cruise missile into the Sea of Japan
February 27, 2023	Mass protests in Mexico against the government of President Andres Lopez Obrador.
February 28, 2023	England and the EU agree new trade rules for Northern Ireland
March 1, 2023	Serious train accident in Greece with many fatalities
March 6, 2023	Estonia: Kaja Kallas wins parliamentary elections
10 March 2023	Eight people killed in a rampage at a Jehovah's Witness center in Hamburg
13 March 2023	USA and South Korea launch maneuvers
March 14, 2023	North Korea fires ballistic missiles China allows foreigners to enter the country again
March 15, 2023	At least 100 people killed by tropical storm Freddy in Mozambique and Malawi Russia brings down an American drone over the Black Sea
March 20, 2023	Facebook parent company announces the dismissal of 10,000 employees Major Swiss bank UBS takes over Credit Suisse
March 21, 2023	Chinese President Xi Jinping meets Vladimir Putin in Moscow. French government passes pension reform without parliamentary vote Boris Johnson admits deception of parliament
March 24, 2023	North Korea: underwater nuclear drone tested China expels US warship from South China Sea
March 27, 2023	North Korea tests further short-range ballistic missiles Israeli prime minister halts controversial judicial reform after strike threats
March 30, 2023	Russia arrests American journalist on espionage charges
March 31, 2023	Turkey approves Finland's accession to NATO
April 3, 2023	Social Democratic Prime Minister Sanna Marin loses the elections in Finland
April 5, 2023	President Macron and EU President von der Leyen arrive in China for a state visit
April 11, 2023	Major data leak in the USA, highly classified documents published on the internet
April 14, 2023	India becomes the most populous country in the world with over 1.4 billion people
April 19, 2023	Syrian President Assad meets with the Saudi Foreign Minister and ends the more than ten-year diplomatic silence between the two countries
April 21, 2023	The USA invites 50 allied countries to the American Ramstein airbase to discuss arms deliveries to Ukraine
April 24, 2023	Peru's former president Alejandro Toledo, accused of money laundering and corruption is imprisoned in Peru after being extradited by the USA.
April 27, 2023	Selenskyi speaks on the phone for 1.5 hours with China's head of state Xi Jinping
April 28, 2023	Pope Francis travels to Hungary and meets Victor Orban
May 2, 2023	Israeli airstrikes on Syrian airport in Aleppo
May 3, 2023	Iranian President Raisi visits Syria
May 4, 2023	Diesel scandal: ex-Audi boss Stadler pleads guilty in exchange for suspended sentence
May 5, 2023	Great Britain: Conservatives suffer heavy losses in local elections
May 6, 2023	Coronation of the British King Charles III.
May 7, 2023	The Arab League decides to readmit Syria.

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May 15, 2023	Military parade in Moscow to mark the anniversary of the victory over Nazi Germany China and Canada expel each other's diplomats SPD wins Bremen parliamentary election with 30% of the vote
May 17, 2023	The party favored by the USA wins the elections in Thailand French court confirms the conviction of former President Sarkozy to three years in prison for corruption. Sarkozy intends to appeal.
May 19, 2023	Syrian head of state Assad visits Saudi Arabia G7 meeting in Hiroshima, the site of the American atomic bombing in 1945
May 22, 2023	The Russian Wagner unit captures the long-contested, strategically important Ukrainian city of Bakhmut, with up to 70,000 Ukrainian soldiers reported killed
May 23, 2023	Russia and China conclude various infrastructure and trade agreements
May 28, 2023	President Erdogan wins the Turkish presidential elections
May 30, 2023	Uganda enacts draconian measures against homosexuals
June 5, 2023	Start of the Ukrainian 'counter' offensive, few successes, high losses
June 6, 2023	Demolition of a large dam in the Russian-occupied territories in Ukraine
June 9, 2023	Indictment against Donald Trump for allegedly wrongfully retaining secret documents Former Italian Prime Minister Silvio Berlusconi has died.
June 8, 2023	The EU interior ministers decide to significantly tighten their asylum laws.
June 9, 2023	The UK Supreme Court rejects Julian Assange's appeal against his extradition to the USA.
June 15, 2023	USA applies to rejoin UNESCO Belarus receives tactical nuclear weapons from Russia
June 19, 2023	US Secretary of State Blinken visits China
June 23, 2023	US President Biden - son Hunter makes a deal with the public prosecutor's office and must not go to prison despite illegal gun possession and tax evasion
June 24, 2023	Unsuccessful mutiny by parts of the Wagner militia in Russia
June 26, 2023	Conservative Mitsotakis wins the parliamentary elections in Greece AfD candidate wins district council election in Thuringia
July 5, 2023	Cocaine found in the White House shortly after her son Hunter Biden visited
July 6, 2023	Federal Constitutional Court overturns the heating law
July 10, 2023	Federal President Steinmeier speaks out in favor of sending cluster bomb munitions to Ukraine
July 11, 2023	Turkey approves Sweden's accession to NATO Protests in Israel against judicial reform
July 13, 2023	US Secretary of State Blinken meets top Chinese diplomat Wang Yi
July 17, 2023	The EU and Tunisia conclude a comprehensive partnership agreement
July 18, 2023	After Ukrainian attack on the Crimean bridge, Russia retaliates and bombs the port cities of Odessa and Mykolaiv, Russia also terminates Black Sea grain agreement
July 19, 2023	North Korea launches short-range missiles into the Sea of Japan Hungary tightens measures against the LGBTQ community
July 20, 2023	Chinese head of state Xi Jinping meets Henry Kissinger Because of Koran burning in Sweden: Swedish embassy in Baghdad set on fire

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July 21, 2023	Ukraine begins using cluster munitions on the battlefield
July 25, 2023	African heads of state visit Russia
July 26, 2023	Wang Yi becomes the new Chinese Foreign Minister, replacing Qin Gang
July 27, 2023	Coup in Niger: the military takes power in the African state
August 1, 2023	North Korean leader Kim Jong Un receives delegations from Russia and China
August 2, 2023	Mali and Burkina Faso want to support Niger in the event of foreign military intervention
August 6, 2023	The rating agency Fitch lowers the rating and downgrades America from AAA to AA+
August 7, 2023	Anniversary of the atomic bombing of Hiroshima
August 8, 2023	Ukraine peace conference in Saudi Arabia ends without results
August 10, 2023	Moody's lowers the rating of some American banks
August 10, 2023	Assassination of presidential candidate Fernando Villavicencio in Ecuador
August 14, 2023	Conservative Javier Milei wins the primaries in Argentina
August 18, 2023	Chinese real estate group Evergrande files for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection in the USA
August 22, 2023	The 15th BRICS summit begins in Johannesburg. The summit focuses on the expansion of the association and its role among the economies of the Global South.
August 23, 2023	The head of the Wagner militia, Prigozhin, dies when his Embraer Legacy 600 crashes
August 24, 2023	India's lander lands on the south pole of the moon
August 24, 2023	Japan discharges nuclear wastewater into the Pacific
August 24, 2023	At the conclusion of the summit meeting of the BRICS countries, it is decided to include Egypt, Argentina, Ethiopia, Iran, Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates.
August 25, 2023	The ruling Nigerien military junta calls on the ambassadors of France, Germany, Nigeria and the United States to leave the country, France rejects the ultimatum on the grounds that it does not recognize its authority, while the USA claims that it has not received a request to withdraw its personnel from Niger.
August 30, 2023	Military takes power in Gabon - borders closed, elections suspended
4 September 2023	Corruption allegations: Ukrainian defense minister submits resignation
September 6, 2023	Summit in Indonesia between Southeast Asian states, the USA, China and Japan
7 September 2023	USA delivers internationally banned depleted uranium shells to Ukraine
September 8, 2023	Earthquake of magnitude 6.8 claims many lives in Morocco
September 11, 2023	In the regional and local elections in Russia, including the annexed territories Vladimir Putin's United Russia party wins with a large majority,
September 12, 2023	North Korean leader Kim Jong Un meets with Russian President Putin and assures him of support
September 14, 2023	Storms, heavy rainfall and dam bursts claim many thousands of lives in Libya
September 19, 2023	Indictment against the president's son Hunter Biden for illegal gun possession
September 21, 2023	Canada and India expel each other's diplomats
September 21, 2023	Poland announces that it will no longer supply weapons to Ukraine
September 25, 2023	Saudi Arabia announces that it will further normalize relations with Israel
September 29, 2023	France announces that it will withdraw its ambassador from Niger and its military
September 29, 2023	Republicans initiate impeachment proceedings against President Biden, due to allegations of corruption, among other things
October 2, 2023	Suicide bombing in Ankara, after which the Turkish air force attacks targets in northern Iraq
October 3, 2023	Robert Fico and his left-wing nationalist party Smer win parliamentary elections in Slovakia
October 3, 2023	Republicans remove their own Speaker of the US House of Representatives Kevin McCarthy

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October 7, 2023	After rocket fire on Israel, Hamas overcomes the barriers around the Gaza Strip and advance deep into Israeli territory. Around 1,200 civilians and security forces are killed in the fighting and around 250 others kidnapped.
October 9, 2023	Luxembourg Liberals lose the parliamentary elections Extensive attack by Israel on the Gaza Strip, in which, according to Israeli military more than 1,000 targets were hit, according to Israeli military figures Strong earthquakes in Afghanistan
October 16, 2023	Daniel Noboa becomes the new president of Ecuador The opposition wins the parliamentary elections in Poland
October 17, 2023	India's Supreme Court rejects same-sex marriages
October 18, 2023	US President Biden visits Israel
October 26, 2023	Republican Mike Johnson becomes the new Speaker of the US House of Representatives
November 3, 2023	Former crypto tycoon Sam Bankman-Fried was convicted by a New York jury on all seven counts of fraud, embezzlement and criminal conspiracy Putin repeals law banning nuclear tests
November 6, 2023	Severe earthquake in northern Nepal
November 8, 2023	Corruption allegations: Portuguese Prime Minister Costa resigns
November 9, 2023	USA attacks Iranian Revolutionary Guards weapons depot in Syria
November 13, 2023	Fighting between the military and Tuareg rebels in Mali
November 14, 2023	Great Britain: Prime Minister Sunak reshuffles cabinet - David Cameron becomes Foreign Secretary China's President Xi Jinping visits the USA
November 17, 2023	Israeli forces storm Al-Shifa hospital in the Gaza Strip EU approves authorization for glyphosate for another ten years Socialist Pedro Sanchez re-elected as Spanish Prime Minister with the support of Catalan separatists
November 20, 2023	Argentina elects right-wing liberal Javier Milei as new president
November 22, 2023	Houthi rebels capture cargo ship in the Red Sea Israel and Hamas sign agreement on the release of hostages and prisoners hostages and prisoners Geert Wilders' PVV party clearly wins the elections in the Netherlands
November 24, 2023	Serious riots in Dublin after Islamist knife attack on children
November 28, 2023	Israel-Hamas conflict: ceasefire extended by two days - More hostages and prisoners released
November 29, 2023	Saudi capital Riyadh wins bid for EXPO 2030 Burkina Faso: Islamists kill 40 civilians
November 30, 2023	US politician Henry Kissinger dies at the age of 100 Start of UN climate conference in Dubai Insolvency of René Benko's Signa Holding
December 1, 2023	Russian Supreme Court bans LGBTQ+ activism
December 4, 2023	Naka/Japan: The JT-60SA fusion reactor is officially put into operation Israel expands ground offensive to southern Gaza Strip Paris: IS terrorist kills German tourist

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December 5, 2023	Merchant ships and US destroyers attacked in the Red Sea
December 10, 2023	Ukraine prevents ex-President Poroshenko from leaving the country
December 16, 2023	Berlin: The Left Party parliamentary group in the Bundestag dissolves.
December 18, 2023	Opening of the New Synagogue in Magdeburg
December 21, 2023	Mishal al-Ahmad al-Jabir as-Sabah becomes the new Emir of Kuwait
December 23, 2023	Egypt : Incumbent Abd al-Fattah as-Sisi wins the presidential election
December 31, 2023	At least 15 people are killed in a shooting rampage in Prague.
	Persistent attacks by gangs on villages in Nigeria kill at least 200 people die
	The UN mission in Mali comes to an end
	Electricity and gas price brakes expire
January 1, 2024	The BRICS association of states expands to include Egypt, Ethiopia, Iran Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates
	The Israeli Supreme Court declares important parts of the judicial reform passed the previous year as unconstitutional.
January 3, 2024	Two bomb attacks are carried out at a memorial event in Iran, 91 dead
January 8, 2024	The French Prime Minister Élisabeth Borne resigns

Upcoming significant events 2024

March 2024	Presidential elections in Russia
May 2, 2024	British general election
May 2024	European elections
June/July 2024	European Football Championship in Germany
July/August 2024	Summer Olympics in Paris
Autumn 2024	State elections in Brandenburg and Saxony
November 5, 2024	Presidential election in the U.S

Potential risks to look out for

- Energy Blackout
- Disruptive technologies
(e.g. quantum computing)
- Target balances
- EU becoming a transfer union
- Banking crisis
- Reduction of quantitative easing
- Italian sovereign debt crisis
- EU bad debts of above 300 B
- Greek sovereign debt crisis
- Brexit
- Refugee crisis
- Costs of German energy transition
- Chinese debt crisis
- South American crisis, Venezuela,
Mexico
- Cash ban, special taxes
- Natural desasters (Earthquakes)
- Black Swan events (monster waves)
- War risks (Iran)
Turkey (instability, currency crisis)

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Why Open Borders Don't Work for Small Countries

<https://mises.org/wire/why-open-borders-dont-work-small-countries>

Texas is suing Pfizer for “unlawfully misrepresenting the effectiveness of the company’s COVID-19 vaccine

<https://www.theguardian.com/us-news/2023/dec/01/texas-pfizer-covid-19-vaccine-lawsuit-effectiveness>

How the Free Market Drove History’s «Great Enrichment»

<https://mises.org/wire/how-free-market-drove-historys-great-enrichment>

The Economic Wisdom of Antony C. Sutton’s The War on Gold

<https://mises.org/wire/economic-wisdom-antony-c-suttons-war-gold>

Whatever It Takes Won't Be Enough

<https://www.lewrockwell.com/2023/12/james-howard-kunstler/whatever-it-takes-wont-be-enough/>

World’s Most Dangerous Combination: China and Russia

<https://www.gatestoneinstitute.org/20257/china-russia-dangerous-combination>

Washington Spins Tale to New York Times that Putin is Looking For An Escape Hatch

<https://sonar21.com/washington-spins-tale-to-new-york-times-that-putin-is-looking-for-an-escape-hatch/>

What Were Romans Thinking as They Watched Rome Collapse?

<https://www.lewrockwell.com/2023/12/paul-craig-roberts/what-were-romans-thinking-as-they-watched-rome-collapse/>

Could America Have a French-Style Revolution?

<https://www.oftwominds.com/blogdec23/french-rev12-23.html>

Ukraine: Biden Helping Putin to Win

<https://www.gatestoneinstitute.org/20217/biden-helping-putin-win>

Moscow on the Rocks

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Interview: John Mearsheimer: Israel-Palstine, Russia-Ukraine, China, NATO and WW3

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Peter Schiff: Dow Jones Still Far from Record When Priced in Gold

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Democracy – the Illusion of Liberty

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The Wrong Way and the Right Way to Fix the Fed

<https://mises.org/library/wrong-way-and-right-way-fix-fed>

The Fed’s Bank Term Lending Program Probably Won’t Ever Go Away

<https://mises.org/power-market/feds-bank-term-lending-program-probably-wont-ever-go-away>

The Origins of the Federal Reserve

<https://mises.org/library/origins-federal-reserve-1>

Gold in 2024

<https://www.lewrockwell.com/2023/12/aldasair-macleod/gold-in-2024/>

«Four Pillars of Civilization» Under Attack

<https://mises.org/power-market/four-pillars-civilization-under-attack>

I Love ,My Country’ – ,My Country Is Best?’

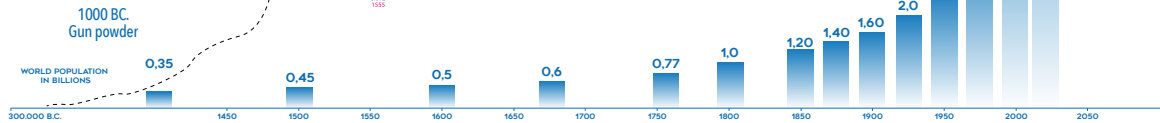
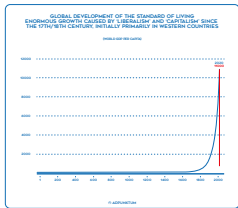
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MORE FREEDOM LEADS TO GREATER PROSPERITY HISTORY OF EVOLUTION OF MANKIND AND ECONOMIC ACTIVITIES

'Big Bang' about 13.6 billion years ago
 Planet Earth about 4.5 billion years ago
 The current ice age ('Cenozoic Ice Age') has lasted for about 34 million years (temperatures were about 25-30 degrees higher than today 15 million years ago).
 Dividing line separating humans from apes dates back about 5 million years
 Stone Age (2.5 million years BC to around 8-2000 BC; depending on the region)
 Our 'species' of humans (*Homo Sapiens*) has been around for 300,000 years
 Cognitive Revolution 70,000 BC
 Beginning of Agriculture and settlements about 10,000 years ago
 Invention of the 'wheel' 3000 BC.
 Invention of 'scripture' 2500 BC.
 First forms of 'money' 2500 BC
 Babylonian Empire 1880-500 BC
 Roman Empire ('Law') 750 BC - 480 AD
 Ancient Greece ('Philosophy') 500 BC - 500 AD
 Enlightenment 18th century, began around 1715
 (First) Industrial Revolution starting around 1760
 Genetic Engineering beginning around 1970
 Artificial Intelligence starting around 1970
 Nanotechnology since around 1970s



5 MILLION YEARS

COMPULSION + ENVY → STAGNATION

TRIBALISM, FEUDALISM ETC. (=SOCIALISM) 5 MILLION YEARS OF RELATIVE STANDSTILL REGARDING STANDARD OF LIVING. REDISTRIBUTION BY WAR, ROBBERY, PLUNDER.

300 YEARS

FREEDOM → PROGRESS

FREEDOM - BEGINNING 300 YEARS AGO. RAPID GROWTH OF WEALTH THROUGH ENTREPRENEURSHIP AND TRADE BASED ON CAPITAL ACCUMULATION, INNOVATION AND PRODUCTIVITY PROGRESS. THIS IN TURN BUILDING ON CHRISTIAN ETHICS AND CHRISTIAN ETHICS AND CIVIC VALUES.

WEALTH

An Insight Into Russia's View on Gold

<https://www.lewrockwell.com/2024/01/aldasair-macleod/an-insight-into-russias-view-on-gold/>

Thailand Accelerates Joint-Chinese High-Speed Rail, Proposes Land Bridge & Why US Seeks to Stop BOTH

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cxz8euISWTU>

Why Secession Offers a Path to Wealth and Self-Determination

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The Electronic Takeover of Every Asset on Earth, 'The Great Taking', and the Control of Humanity

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Trickery, Humiliation, Death – and the Timeless Hunger for ,Honour and Glory‘

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African countries rush to sign nuclear deals with Russia

<https://www.dailymaverick.co.za/article/2019-10-29-african-countries-rush-to-sign-nuclear-deals-with-russia/>

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Peter Schiff: Did the Fed Steal the Santa Claus Rally?

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Right Before Hamas Attacked Someone Shorted Israeli Stocks And Funds

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US Congress‘ Disfunctional Agendas Driving a Trump Victory

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Grinding Down Into Deflation: The National Debt Disaster No One Is Talking About

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Washington’s Entrenched War Machine

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The First Enemies of Free Markets Were Conservatives, Not Socialists

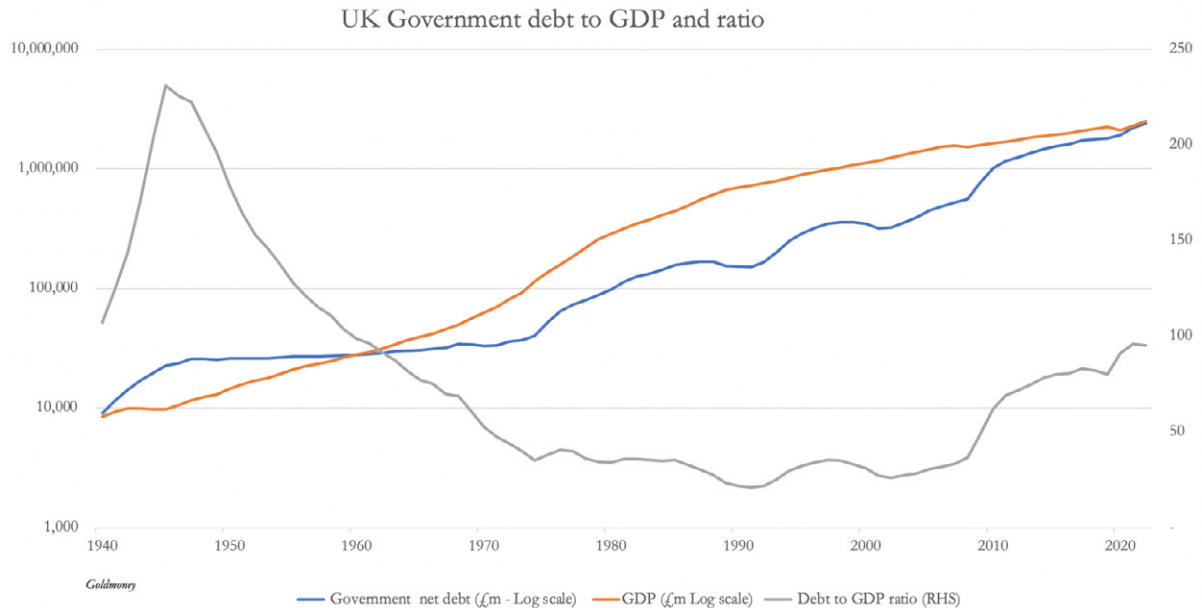
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Friedman versus Rothbard

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*“This Power Elite directly employs several millions of the country’s working force in its factories, offices and stores, controls many millions more by lending them the money to buy its products, and, through its ownership of the media of mass communication, influences the thoughts, the feelings and the actions of virtually everybody. To parody the words of W. Churchill, never have so many been manipulated so much by so few.” **Aldous Huxley***
(Robert S. Baker, James Sexton, Complete Essays: 1956-1963)

THE DEVELOPMENT OF GOVERNMENT DEBT SINCE 1940



After the Second World War, debt was extremely high as a percentage of national product, then it fell because the economy grew faster than the debt. Since the end of gold backing in 1971 and especially since the last financial crises, the ratio has risen sharply

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Our Godless era is dead

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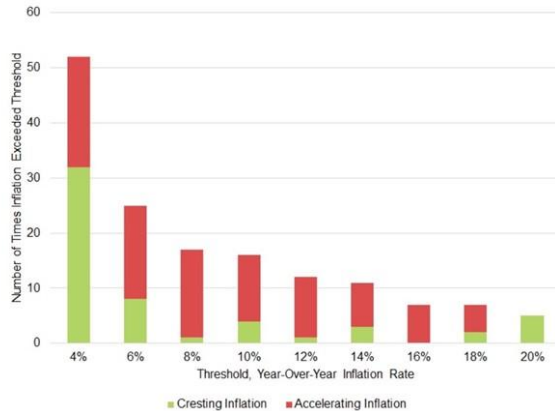
“The peculiar evil of silencing the expression of an opinion is, that it is robbing the human race; posterity as well as the existing generation; those who dissent from the opinion, still more than those who hold it. If the opinion is right, they are deprived of the opportunity of exchanging error for truth: if wrong, they lose, what is almost as great a benefit, the clearer perception and livelier impression of truth, produced by its collision with error.”

John Stuart Mill, On Liberty

HOW “TRANSITORY” IS INFLATION?

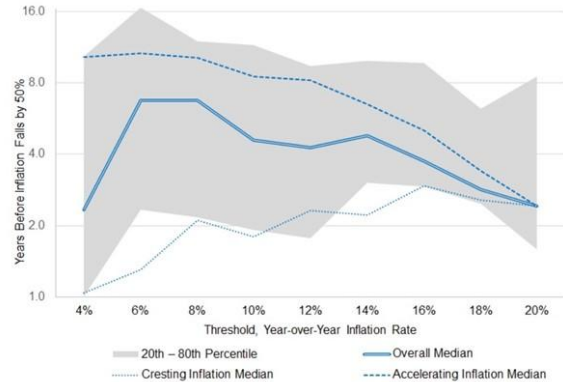
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Number of times inflation rose above threshold level, January 1970 - September 2022



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"Below and beneath the economic harm done by this redistributive socialism will be moral decay.

The financial disincentive to work stokes a disinclination to fend for oneself, to be self-reliant, upstanding, and (in its best sense) proud. People who look after themselves, who see opportunities rather than a dead-end in front of them, and who take steps to improve their lot and the lot of their dependents are a happier, more fulfilled people.

Socialism is not just ruin camouflaged as equality. It is despair wrapped up in the rhetoric of hope." Hugo Gurdon

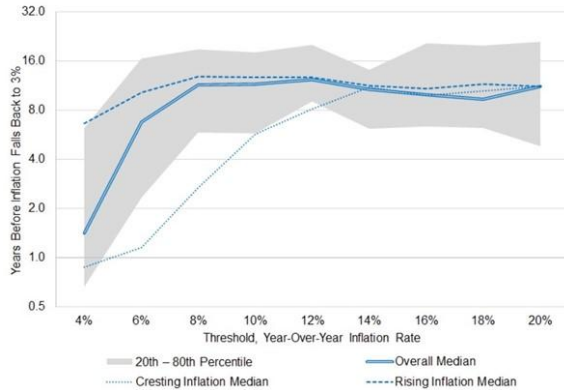
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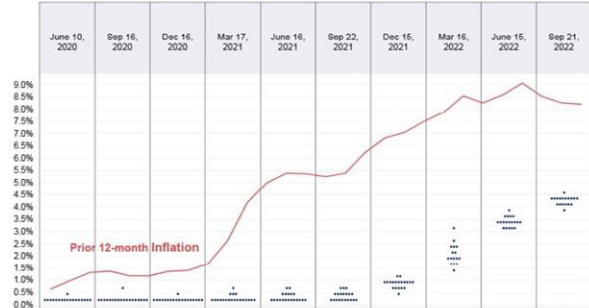
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Number of years until inflation reverts below 3%, since January 1970



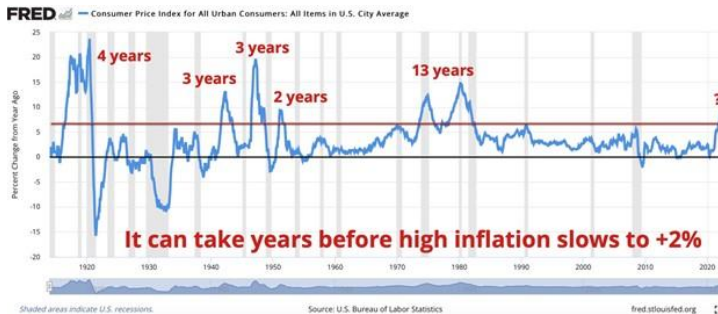
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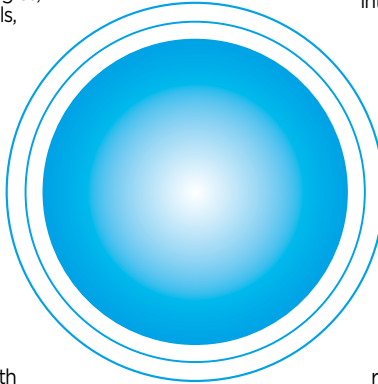
Macroeconomic global SWOT analysis SWOT: Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, Threats

- Strengths

Technological progress (artificial intelligence, robots, energy storage, alternative energies, pharmaceuticals, 3D printers) Internet - faster global exchange of knowledge, acceleration of technological progress
Theoretical models for a meaningful social and economic structure are available (liberalism, capitalism) only need to be implemented.

- Threats

Volcanic eruptions, earthquakes, other natural disasters, Wars / Civil Wars
Protectionism, tariffs, restriction of international trade
Credit defaults (China, banks, Italy...) with rising interest rates
Decay of the Euro with corresponding turbulences
Uncontrollable migration of peoples
«Black Swans» in general



- Weaknesses

High government and private sector debt
Interventionist states (welfare state, overregulation, redistribution, basic socialist ideas), increasing interventionism, e.g. in Germany
Necessary reforms in many countries are not taking place (e.g. Southern Europe)

Lack of integration of foreigners in Europe (Germany, France...) with corresponding risks of social unrest
Pension systems often underfunded

- Opportunities

Peace (dividend) - Korea, Iran, Syria, Ukraine, Africa
Problems of energy storage technology are solved
Economic growth, rising corporate profits
Opportunities of globalization
Liberalism / Capitalism (if ideology were to become more widespread), the result would be a major increase in international prosperity in the long term

Up until now, the world has recovered again and again even after very major crises and in the long term, share prices, for example, have always risen. Gold has maintained its value over time. From the investor's perspective, this means that one should buy after a major price slump and view the low prices then available as an entry opportunity. In order to have capital to get in at this time, you should never be over-invested - even if you are currently extremely positive about the future. And one should also see the chances of speculating for falling prices at the right time or hedging oneself with hedge positions.

"If wars can be started by lies, they can be stopped by truth." **Julian Assange**

"The only freedom which deserves the name, is that of pursuing our own good in our own way, so long as we do not attempt to deprive others of theirs, or impede their efforts to obtain it."
John Stuart Mill, On Liberty

"I know not what others may choose but, as for me, give me liberty or give me death. I know of no way of judging the future but by the past. For my part, whatever anguish of spirit it may cost, I am willing to know the whole truth, to know the worst and provide for it."
Patrick Henry (1736-1799)

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY OF POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC NEWS WITH REGARDS TO IMPACT ON ASSETS

World indices 1 year period

Stock Indices	Price December 31, 2023	Price ending 2022	Change in %
Each in country currency			1 Year
Argentina	929,704.19	202,085.13	360.06
Turkey	7,470.18	5,509.16	35.60
Japan	33,464.17	26,084.50	28.29
South Korea	2,701.73	2,184.56	23.67
Spain	10,102.10	8,229.10	22.76
Brazil	134,185.00	109,735.00	22.28
Germany	16,751.64	13,923.59	20.31
India	72,240.26	60,840.74	18.74
Mexico	57,386.25	48,463.86	18.41
France	7,543.18	6,473.76	16.52
USA	37,707.59	33,147.28	13.76
Russia	1,083.48	970.60	11.63
Canada	20,958.44	19,384.92	8.12
Australia	7,590.80	7,038.70	7.84
Switzerland	11,137.79	10,729.40	3.81
Great Britain	7,733.24	7,451.74	3.78
China	2,974.93	3,089.26	(3.70)
Thailand	875.25	1,005.24	(12.93)

Raw Materials Indices	Price December 31, 2023	Price ending 2022	Change in %
Prices in USD			1 Year
Agriculture Subindex	62.4567	68.8241	(9.25)
Commodity Index	98.6460	112.8052	(12.55)

Raw materials	Price December 31, 2023	Price ending 2022	Change in %
Prices in USD			1 Year
Gold (Spot)	2,062.94	1,824.40	13.07
Copper	339.82	341.68	(0.54)
Silver (Spot)	23.79	23.97	(0.72)
Oil (Crude, WTI, Spot)	71.24	80.55	(11.56)

Wheat	5.53	7.92	(30.16)
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Currencies	Price December 31, 2023	Price ending 2022	Change in %
Value of foreign currency in Euros			1 Year
Switzerland CHF/EUR	1.07660	1.01000	6.59
Brazil BRL/EUR	0.18670	0.17670	5.66
Great Britain GBP/EUR	1.15350	1.12990	2.09
Canada CAD/EUR	0.68380	0.68920	(0.78)
Thailand THB/EUR	0.02633	0.02699	(2.43)
USA USD/EUR	0.90600	0.93410	(3.01)
Australia AUD/EUR	0.61710	0.63640	(3.03)
India INR/EUR	0.01089	0.01129	(3.54)
China CNY/EUR	0.12760	0.13540	(5.76)
South Korea KRW/EUR	0.00070	0.00074	(5.80)
Japan JPY/EUR	0.64240	0.71230	(9.81)
Russia RUB/EUR	0.01015	0.01267	(19.89)
Turkey TRY/EUR	0.03070	0.05000	(38.60)
Argentina ARS/EUR	0.00112	0.00528	(78.79)



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