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## The Markets



It's been a wild, wild quarter.

In early April, stock markets were doing so well (14 of 47 national benchmark indices hit all-time highs) that global market capitalization - the value of stocks trading on exchanges throughout the world - pushed past \$70 trillion, according to Bloomberg Business. The publication attributed the climb to stimulus programs. About two-dozen countries' central banks were either engaged in quantitative easing or had committed to lower interest rates.

[Click here to read the entire article.](#)

## How Will the Situation in Greece Affect You?

Letter From LPL Financial's Chief Investment Officer

Negotiations between Greece and its creditors over the weekend of June 27 ended without a deal, which will lead Greece to default on its 1.6 billion euro

## Quarterly Market Review

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**"It's not what happens to you, but how you react to it that matters."**

**- Epictetus,  
Greek Philosopher**

loan payment due to the International Monetary Fund (IMF) today (June 30). The decision by the Greek government to reject the latest offer by the so-called

Troika - comprised of the IMF, European Central Bank (ECB), and European Commission - of reforms

in exchange for fresh rescue funds or a bailout extension has made a Greek exit from the Eurozone a real

possibility. In response, the Greek government has instituted capital controls, closed banks and stock exchanges, and limited ATM withdrawals to keep deposits from leaving the country. However, this unfortunate development leaves Greece's future in the Eurozone currency union in question, something that

is understandably of concern to investors and markets.

[Click here to read the entire letter.](#)

## The Ultimate Guide to Saving Money on Summer Travel

As we head swiftly towards summer, many people are pulling together their last minute vacation plans. In fact, according to a survey by Orbitz, more than two-thirds of Americans already have at least one trip planned for the

season. And surprisingly, 36% are booking the cheapest rates possible - even if that includes layovers and delays along the way.

So in a time where people are looking to be as thrifty as possible on their vacation spending, Yahoo Travel has put together a list of tips to help



you get the most bang for your buck when booking your trip this summer.

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