# **Rinehart Wealth Management** First Quarter 2011 Economic Overview

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### **Market Overview**

#### **Positives:**

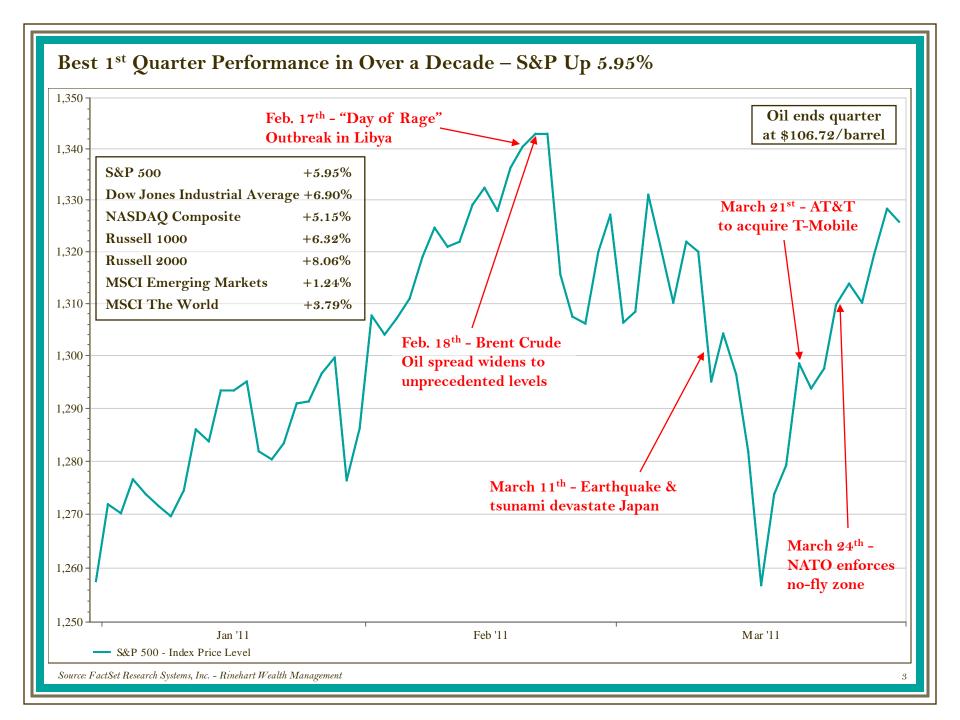
- Corporate balance sheets Nonfinancial companies in the S&P 500 have a record \$830 billion of cash on hand. We see increased capital expenditures, hiring, and capital returns to shareholders.
- The Federal Reserve Extremely accommodative policy is pushing money into equities and emerging markets. We see positive implications for the equity markets relative to the bond market.
- Conservative job growth underway There are 1.7 million more people with private sector jobs today than there were a year ago. Unemployment has ticked down from 10.1% in October 2009 to 8.8% today. Jobs outpaced population growth in February by 45,000 for the first time since March 2006 (Source: Boenning & Scattergood).
- **Emerging market** The pace of policy tightening should slow and improve performance.
- **Corporate earnings** Continue to beat modest expectations.
- Equity multiples Remain relatively attractive. S&P 500 Index is 15.2x trailing earnings compared to the average of 17.9x over the last 10 years.

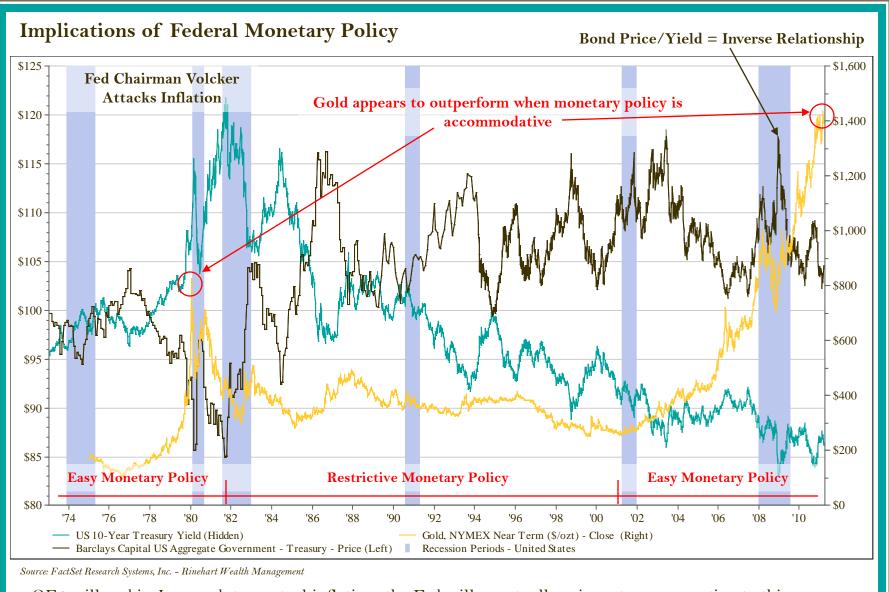
#### **Negatives:**

• Unemployment – Persistently high at 8.8% with GDP growth slowing to a level that gets unemployment back to pre-recession levels in 15 years. Morgan Stanley's tracking estimate of annualized real GDP growth has dropped from 4.5% to 2.9% over the past six weeks.

Offsetting the improvement in private sector payroll jobs are the job cuts coming out of local government.

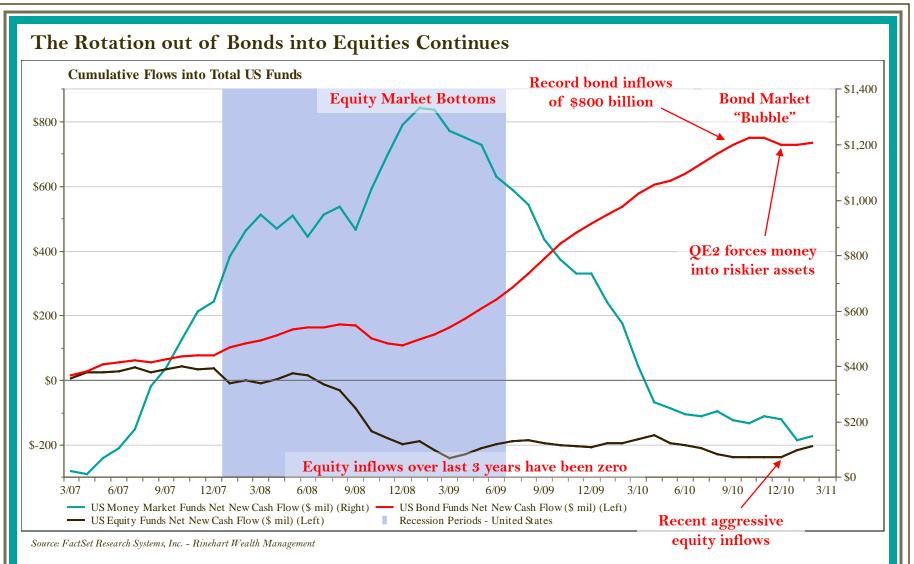
- Unwinding of Quantitative Easing (QE2) Has the potential to cause a modest market correction after one of the best first quarters on record.
- Consumer confidence Consumer Confidence Index<sup>®</sup> (CCI) declined 8.6 points in March 2011.
- **Commodity inflation** Rising oil prices due to geopolitical turmoil and escalating food & healthcare costs could pressure the consumer, whose wages are stagnant.
- Housing market double-dip Current data suggests the housing market has slipped back into a recession and should have a negative impact on consumer sentiment.



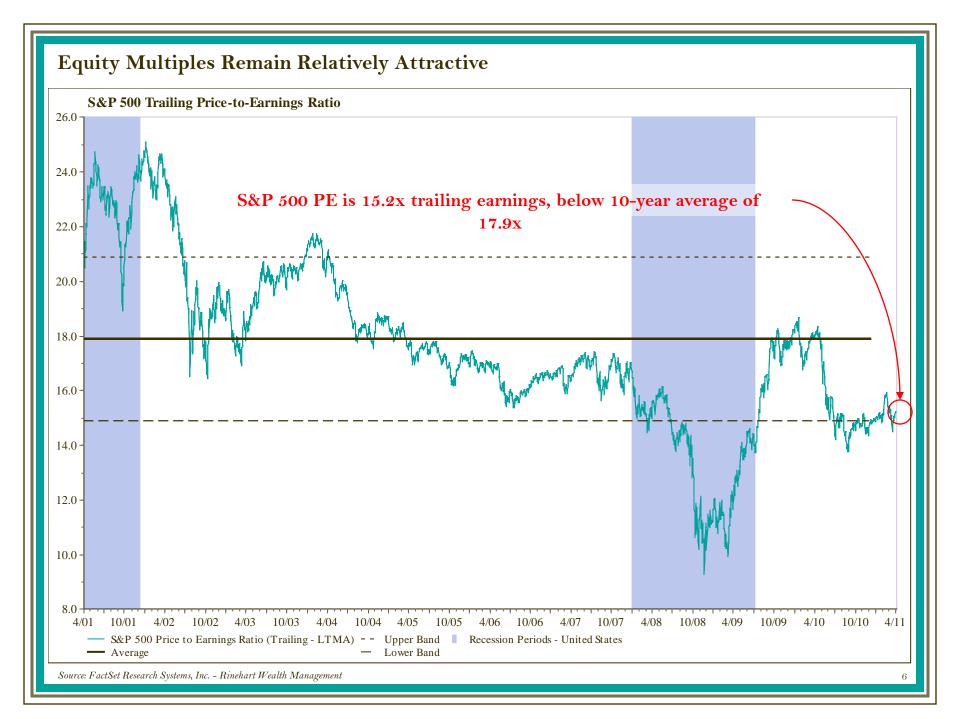


• QE2 will end in June and, to control inflation, the Fed will eventually raise rates, some estimate this year

• Equities appear attractive relative to bonds because they have marginally less interest rate risk



- Portfolios are significantly underweight domestic equity relative to fixed income. Equity allocations of households & pension funds are at 15-year lows (*Source: Deutsche Bank*)
- Allocations to cash and cash equivalents are approximately 1.8% above historic averages, while equity allocations are 1.2% below historic averages. Mean reversion would translate into nearly \$1.7 trillion in new flows into the global equity markets (*Source: J.P. Morgan*)



| <b>Risky Assets</b> | Outperform - | Low Quality | Leads Market | Rally |
|---------------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|-------|
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| S&P Sector Annualized Returns |         |         |        |        | S&P Sector Trailing 3-Month Relative Performance |          |                  |          |           |           |                       |                     |          |          |
|-------------------------------|---------|---------|--------|--------|--|----------|------------------|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------------------|---------------------|----------|----------|
| Sectors                       | 2007    | 2008    | 2009   | 2010   | 6/4/2010   | 7/4/2010 | 8/4/2010         | 9/4/2010 | 10/4/2010 | 11/4/2010 | 12/4/2010             | 1/4/2011            | 2/4/2011 | 3/4/2011 |
| Defensives                    |         |         |        |        |  |          |                  |          |           |           | Defensive assets have |                     |          |          |
| Utilities                     | 15.81%  | -31.55% | 6.80%  | 0.86%  | -0.20%   | 6.90%    | 6.01%            | 9.03%    | 0.57%     | -4.61%    | -11.98%               | 1erperio<br>-11.04% | -8.07%   | -4.93%   |
| Telecom                       | 8.45%   | -33.62% | 2.63%  | 12.30% | 3.53%  | 7.20%    | <u>9.</u> 9%     | 10.52%   | 8.1%      | 3.29%     | -4.14%                | -4.26%              | -6.80%   | -6.02%   |
| Health Care                   | 5.39%   | -24.48% | 17.07% | 0.71%  | -5.04%   | -0.0686  | <b>5</b> - 0.05% | -0.59%   | A Co      | -1.58%    | -4.50%                | -6.21%              | -5.34%   | -0.86%   |
| Staples                       | 11.60%  | -17.65% | 11.20% | 10.67% | -0.19%   | RISH     | 3.08%            | 2.33%    | -1.43%    | SA- 157%  | -5.21%                | -6.51%              | -7.26%   | -4.87%   |
| Near Cyclicals                |         |         |        |        | JE SE  | 81       |                  |          |           |           | Turmoil in Middle Eas |                     |          | East     |
| Energy                        | 32.38%  | -35.93% | 11.29% | 17.86% | -3.50%   | -1.95%   | -0.89%           | 1.20%    | 2.02%     | 1.79%     | 9.30%                 | 9.30%               | 11.99%   | 11.64%   |
| Financials                    | -20.84% | -56.95% | 14.80% | 10.83% | 0.01%  | -2.79%   | -2.66%           | -1.64%   | -4.78%    | -6.45%    | -6.38%                | 1.42%               | 1.65%    | 1.55%    |
| Cyclicals                     |         |         |        |        |  |          |                  |          |           |           |                       |                     |          |          |
| Technology                    | 15.54%  | -43.68% | 59.92% | 9.13%  | 2.21%  | 0.17%    | -0.21%           | -4.17%   | -0.42%    | 3.57%     | 4.57%                 | 1.08%               | -0.20%   | -0.11%   |
| Discretionary                 | -14.32% | -34.73% | 38.76% | 25.72% | 6.03%  | 1.03%    | -2.92%           | -1.72%   | 3.77%     | 4.71%     | 5.22%                 | 1.32%               | -1.86%   | -2.39%   |
| Industrials                   | 9.83%   | -41.52% | 17.27% | 23.92% | 1.74%  | -1.48%   | -0.36%           | 0.34%    | 3.17%     | -1.66%    | 1.59%                 | 1.32%               | 3.82%    | 1.53%    |
| Materials                     | 19.99%  | -47.05% | 45.23% | 19.92% | -5.77%   | -4.84%   | 3.29%            | 7.94%    | 6.95%     | 5.51%     | 4.71%                 | 7.27%               | 2.56%    | -1.13%   |
| S&P 500                       | 3.53%   | -38.49% | 23.45% | 12.78% | -5.17%   | -13.20%  | -3.95%           | 0.15%    | 11.19%    | 8.32%     | 10.88%                | 11.71%              | 7.36%    | 7.87%    |

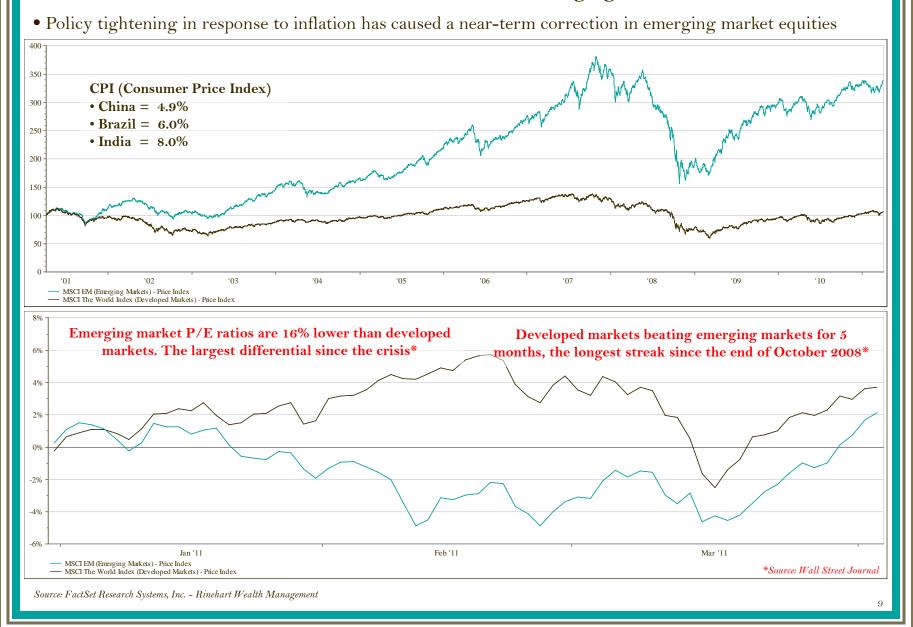
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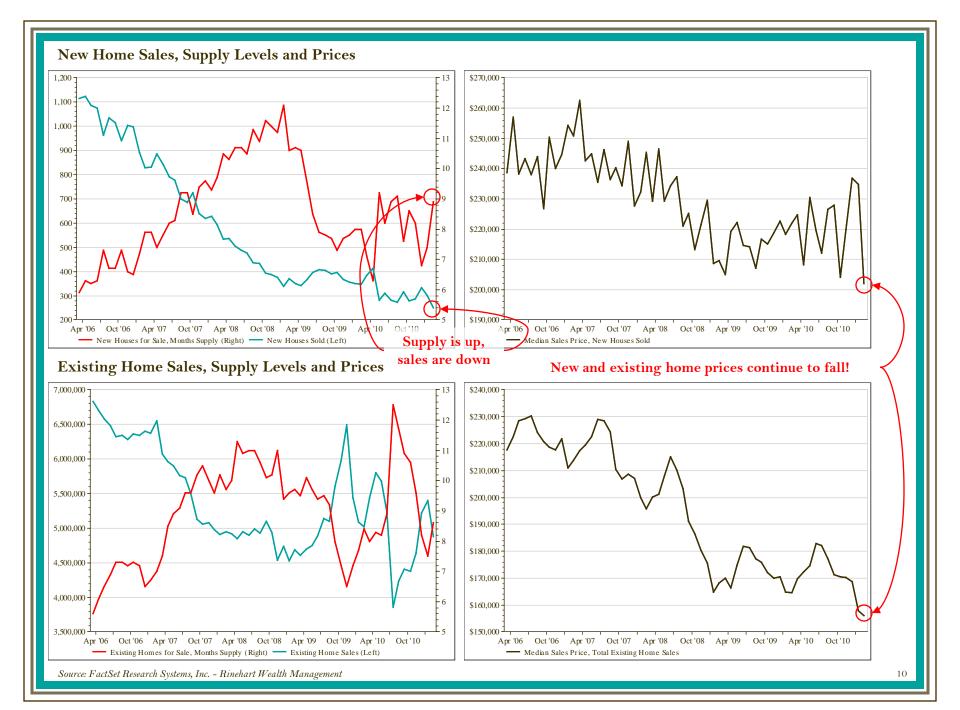
- Risky assets continue to outperform safer assets dramatically. Will this reverse when QE2 ends? We believe high dividend yielding defensives could gain some relative performance this summer
- When equity investors add risk to portfolios, cyclicals tend to outperform defensive sectors

#### We Are Focused on Quality & Dividend Yield In 2011

- Focus on higher-yielding and quality names likely to increase dividends significantly.
- Reversion to the mean and investor rotation out of bonds to chase yield could help this category outperform the S&P 500 in 2011.
- Cash levels for S&P 500 companies stood around \$1.52 trillion at the end of the third quarter *(Source: Barron's)*. We are seeing large cap multinationals accelerate/initiate dividends
- Companies that initiate a dividend have outperformed the market in the quarter after the announcement (~200 bp), and outperformance has also tended to continue in the first year (*Source: J.P. Morgan*)
- 1926 2009 A dollar grew to \$87.39 on price appreciation (3.37% of total returns). The combination of price and dividends reinvested grew to \$2,591.82 (26.62% of total returns) (Source: Miller/Howard Investments, Inc. and Ibbotson)
- Dividends paid to shareholders have accounted for 35% of total return over the past 20 years (*Source: Guggenheim Partners*)
- Dividend yield increases for the S&P 500 will likely be driven by the technology and financial sectors. Currently, these sectors represent 66% of cash holdings, but only contribute 21% of dividends for S&P 500 companies (*Source: Guggenheim Partners*)

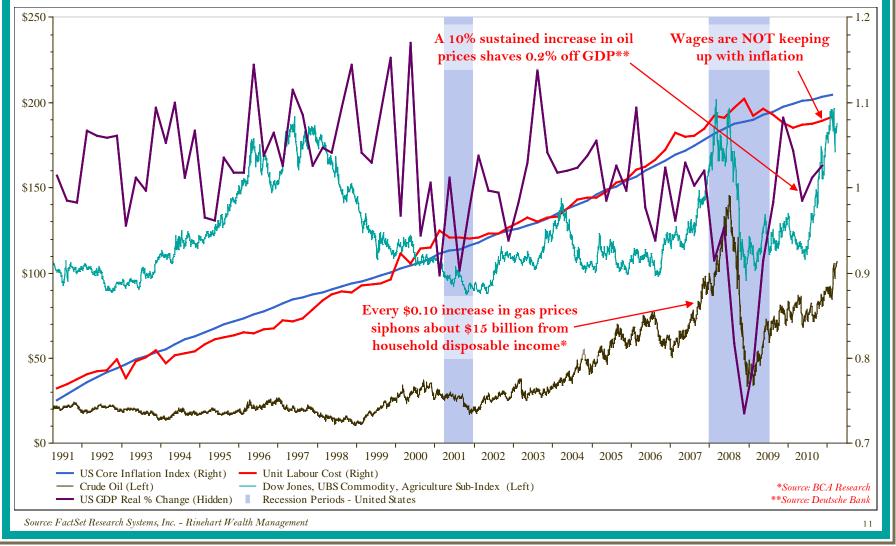
#### International – Recommended 30-40% Allocation to Emerging Markets

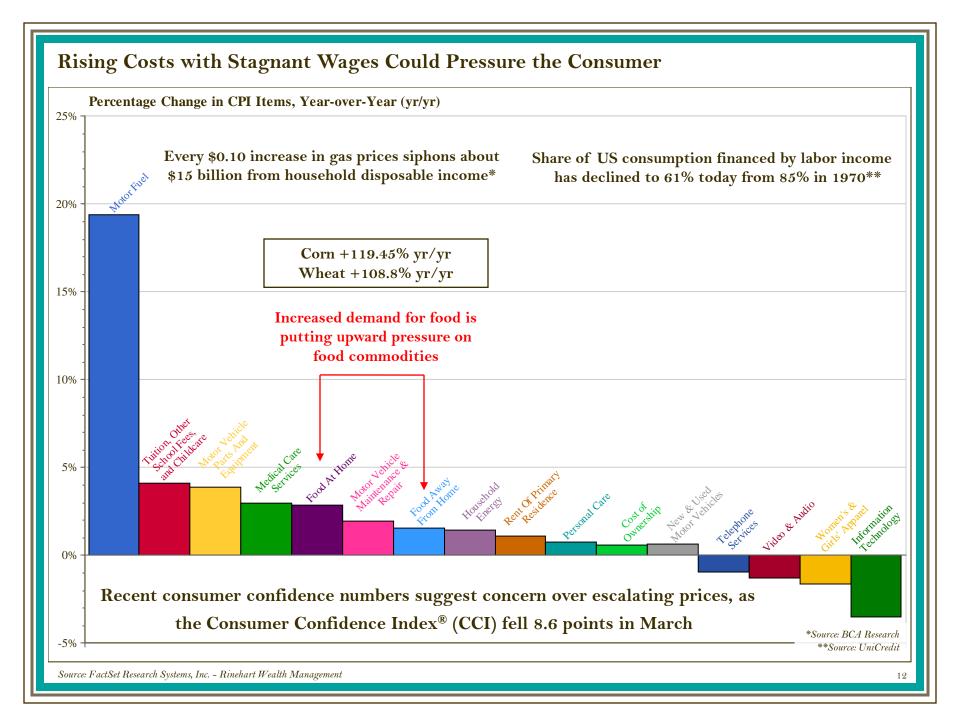




#### **Inflation & Commodity Prices**

• The Consumer Price Index (CPI) is a measure of the average price of goods & services purchased by a typical urban household. Accordingly, the inflation rate is the annual percentage change in the CPI. Core CPI excludes oil and food prices and is assumed to be a more accurate gauge of long-term inflation.





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