

How Quickly Do Stocks Begin to Bounce Back?

Sharp market declines can be painful, but stocks tend to bounce back relatively quickly.

10 Worst Market Drawdowns Since the 1960s

				Returns (%) After Reaching Bottom		
Cause	Max Drawdown	# of Months To Hit Bottom	# of Months To Break Even	After 6 Months	After 1 Year	After 3 Years
Kennedy Slide/Flash Crash (1961–1962)	-27.97	6	14	20.45	32.66	16.65
Vietnam Worries (1968–1970)	-36.06	18	21	22.80	43.73	15.92
Nixon Shock (1973–1974)	-48.15	21	69	29.74	39.36	15.49
Rate Hikes to Fight Inflation (1980–1982)	-27.11	20	3	44.14	58.33	22.35
Black Monday (1987)	-33.51	3	20	19.26	22.78	13.69
Iraq Invaded Kuwait (1990)	-19.92	3	4	27.81	29.10	15.97
Asian Financial Crisis (1998)	-19.34	2	3	29.36	37.93	5.66
Dot-com Bubble Burst (2000–2002)	-49.15	31	56	11.49	33.73	15.47
Global Financial Crisis (2007–2009)	-56.78	17	49	52.75	68.57	26.54
COVID-19 Pandemic (2020)	-33.93	1	5	44.67	74.78	20.86
Average	-35.19	12	24	30.25	44.10	16.84

6 MONTHS AFTER HITTING A LOW, STOCKS HAVE RETURNED ON AVERAGE

Past performance does not quarantee future results. Data shown is for the S&P 500 Price Index as of 9/30/23. A drawdown measures a peak-to-trough decline in the market. Returns for less than one year are not annualized. Indices are unmanaged and not available for direct investment. The S&P 500 Price Index, a market capitalization-weighted price index composed of 500 widely held common stocks, and does not include the reinvestment of dividend payments. Data Sources: Morningstar and Hartford Funds, 11/23.

Talk to your financial professional to learn more about maintaining perspective during times of volatility.