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PURPOSE-DRIVEN WEALTH MANAGEMENT

March 10, 2025: Goldman Sachs - <u>Assessing the Balance of Risks</u> Market review following the recent correction

KEY POINTS

- Equities Outlook Goldman Sachs keeps its S&P 500 target at 6,500, with earnings growth at 9% for 2025.
- Sector Focus Health Care remains attractive, outperforming YTD but still undervalued.
- Key Risks Economic uncertainty and policy changes keep markets volatile, with jobs data in focus.



Goldman Sachs top-down S&P500 forecast

SUMMARY

Markets faced turbulence as the S&P 500 declined by 5% last week, driven by concerns over slowing economic growth and an unwind of elevated positioning.

Cyclicals underperformed Defensives by 9%, and Momentum strategies declined by 7%.

Despite this, investor sentiment remains above levels that typically indicate tactical upside. The upcoming jobs report and potential policy signals will be crucial in shaping the market's trajectory.

OUR VANTAGE POINT

While the recent sell-off has rattled investors, we believe **the market's fundamental backdrop remains solid**. The S&P 500 is still priced in line with long-term earnings growth expectations, and selective sector exposure—particularly in Health Care and defensive plays—remains key. The economic growth outlook, policy shifts, and corporate earnings will dictate market movements in the weeks ahead and **we see this as an opportune time for active asset allocation**.

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- Morgan Stanley: On the Market, available here
- Bridgewater Associates: Investing in a New World, available here

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