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a weekly commentary on investing

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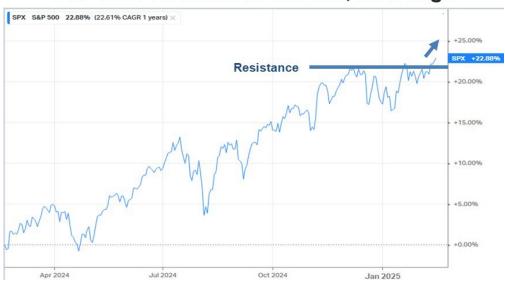
Buy-The-Dip

February 21, 2025

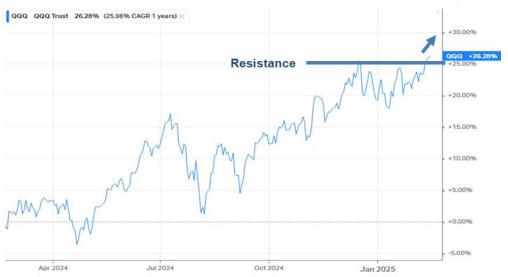
Consumer sentiment is at its lowest point since July and September, respectively. Both measures posted a local high after the election. Consumers' assessment of the labor market fell for the first time in four months and business conditions fell for the second consecutive month. Consumption tends to track changes in consumer confidence.

Although consumer sentiment is waning, the S&P 500 has been resilient and investors continue to buy-the-dips. The stock market has experienced below normal levels of volatility (10-day realized volatility is 8.8%, the lowest 10-day stretch of the year) and has broken out to new highs this week.

S&P 500: Resistance Broken, New High



NASDAQ 100: Resistance Broken, New High



It has taken roughly two months for the S&P 500 and NASDAQ 100 to breakthrough resistance. Technical traders may view this as a significant event as the market often continues to move higher following a breakout.

If the stock market is able to hold onto its gains over the next week, the breakout will

be "confirmed." Historically, tax season has not been a bullish time period for the markets as investors may be sending money to the IRS rather than to new equity purchases. Over the next week or so, we will see if buy-the-dip remains the predominant investment thesis

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"I can see why they made February the shortest month of the year."

Delta Stock Market Dashboard

MARKET SENTIMENT IS

BULLISH

THIS WEEK'S NUMBER IS

50.7

Our technical indicator increased from 50.6 to 50.7 this week

BULLISH

BEARISH

INDICATOR STATISTICS

Consecutive Bullish Weeks	4
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Cycle Inception Date:	1/30/2025
Range:	50.6 - 53.8
Mean::	52.4
Bullish Weeks YTD:	4
Bearish Weeks YTD:	4
*S&P 500	1.8%
*DJIA	0.0%
*NASDAQ	2.3%

^{*} Percentage change during current cycle

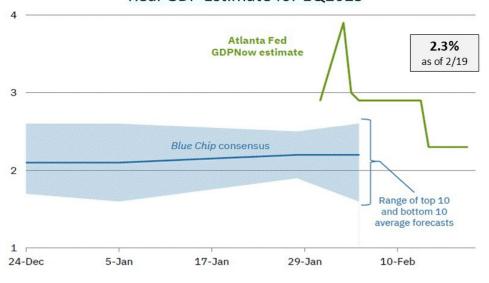
Delta Market Sentiment Indicator Over the Past Year



Delta Market Sentiment Indicator (MSI) is published weekly in Barron's

Atlanta Fed GDPNow Forecast

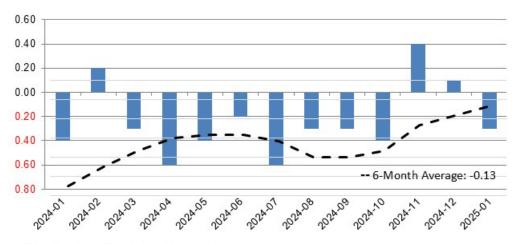
Real GDP Estimate for 1Q2025



Date of forecast Sources: Blue Chip Economic Indicators and Blue Chip Financial Forecasts

Leading Economic Index % Change Monthly

Jan 2024 - Jan 2025



Source: The Conference Board - last update 2/20/2025

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