

Municipal Market Update

April 2024 Monthly Report

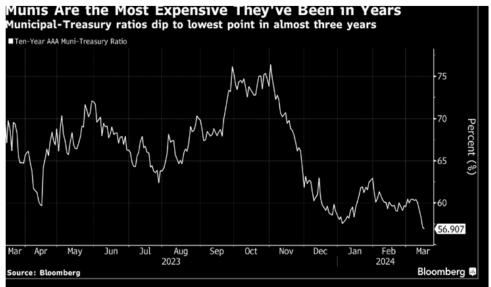


MARKET COMMENTARY

With both monthly and annual core inflation figures surpassing expectations for February, the Federal Reserve's Open Market Committee (FOMC) opted to maintain the federal funds rate within the range of 5-1/4 to 5-1/2 percent during its meetings held on March 19th and 20th. While, the FOMC remains committed to steering inflation towards its target rate of 2%, it will closely scrutinize incoming economic data before contemplating any adjustments to the overnight rate. Market sentiments still anticipate cuts of up to 75 basis points (0.75%) throughout 2024, and are optimistic about further cuts in 2025.

In the latest economic data release, the Core Personal Consumption Expenditures (PCE) price index, which excludes food and energy, rose by 2.8% over the past 12 months, with a modest month-on-month increase of 0.3%, aligning with market expectations. Similarly, the Real PCE, which includes food and energy, exhibited stability, showing a month-on-month increase of 0.3% and a 12-month growth rate of 2.5%. Meanwhile, consumer spending witnessed a notable surge, rising by 0.8% from the previous month, exceeding the estimated 0.5% increase. However, personal income experienced more moderate growth, with a 0.3% increase, slightly below the projected 0.4% growth rate. These indicators collectively provide insights into consumer behavior and inflationary pressures, influencing market sentiments and monetary policy.

Tax season is historically a tough time for munis as investors sell short-term paper to pay tax bills. However, demand should stay strong during the upcoming week as the municipal bond market sees lower supply levels. The new-issue calendar is projected at only \$3.921 billion. Negotiated deals are expected to make up \$2.883 billion, while competitive deals are forecasted to amount to \$1.037 billion.

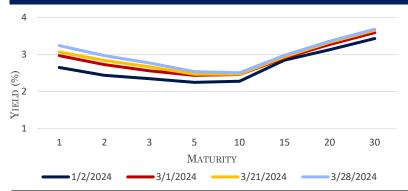


Munis/treasury ratios remain expensive on a historic basis. How long can this continue before one asset-class has to correct?



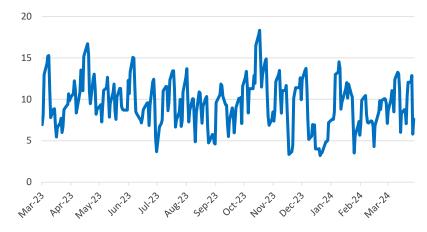
CURRENT MARKET DATA

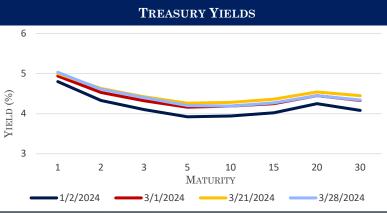
AAA GO YIELD COMPARISON



	AAA GO Yields (%)					1 mo. chg.	YTD chg.
AAA Rated GO	3/28/2024	3/21/2024	3/1/2024	1/2/2024	(bps)	(bps)	(bps)
1 yr AAA GO	3.24	3.07	2.97	2.65	0.17	0.27	0.59
5 yr AAA GO	2.54	2.47	2.44	2.25	0.07	0.10	0.29
10 yr AAA GO	2.51	2.47	2.46	2.28	0.04	0.05	0.23
20 yr AAA GO	3.36	3.33	3.27	3.13	0.03	0.09	0.23

30-DAY VISIBLE SUPPLY (BILLIONS)





		Treasury Yields (%)				1 mo. chg.	YTD chg.
	3/28/2024	3/21/2024	3/1/2024	1/2/2024	(bps)	(bps)	(bps)
1 yr Treasury	5.03	5.00	4.94	4.80	0.03	0.09	0.23
5 yr Treasury	4.20	4.26	4.16	3.92	(0.06)	0.04	0.28
10 yr Treasury	4.19	4.28	4.19	3.94	(0.09)	0.00	0.25
30 yr Treasury	4.34	4.45	4.33	4.08	(0.11)	0.01	0.26

MUNICIPAL BOND FUND FLOWS (BILLIONS)





MUNISTAT RECENT SALES

Bond Transactions								
Connecticut Transactions								
Sale Date Issuer	Rating	Par Amount	Final Maturity	Туре	Average Life	TIC		
3/5/2024 T/O New Canaan	Aaa	\$27,025,000	3/15/2044	Competitve	9.830	3.21%		
3/5/2024 C/O New London	AA-/AA	\$13,030,000	3/15/2044	Competitve	12.291	3.31%		

New York Transactions								
Sale Date Issuer	Rating	Par Amount	Final Maturity Type	Average Life	TIC			
3/13/2024 T/O Smithtown	Aaa	\$5,546,180	2/15/2038 Competitive	e 8.122	2.82%			
3/14/2024 Three Village CSD	N/R	\$375,000	10/1/2029 Competitive	e 3.500	5.89%			
3/19/2024 Suffolk Regional OTB	N/R	\$346,680,000	12/1/2053 Negotiated	19.708	6.04%			

Note Transactions								
Connecticut Transactions								
Sale Date Issuer	Rating	Par Amount Final Maturity Type	Term NIC					
3/5/2024 C/O New London	FI+/SP-1+	\$35,913,000 3/13/2025 Competi	tve 358 Days 3.23%					

New York Transactions								
Sale Date Issuer	Rating	Par Amount	Final Maturity	Туре	Term	NIC		
3/12/2024 Vails Gate F	D N/R	\$13,000,000	3/28/2025	Competitive	360 Days	3.74%		
3/20/2024 T/O Clarksto	own N/R	\$3,525,000	4/3/2025	Competitive	360 Days	5.55%		
3/26/2024 V/O South B	Blooming Grove N/R	\$2,955,000	4/11/2025	Competitive	360 Days	3.69%		

*Federally Taxable.

**Revenue Bonds.



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