

 Spotlight 2024

## **The future of global macro and markets leadership**

### **Will the US be overtaken?**

June 2024

Will the US remain the global economic outperformer? Will China or Europe ever catch up? Will US equities continue to provide higher returns?

Our annual Spotlight project provides a unique, cohesive and coherent framework for understanding whether the drivers of US economic growth and financial markets outp like China and the euro-zone will catch up. Explore the insight and data below.

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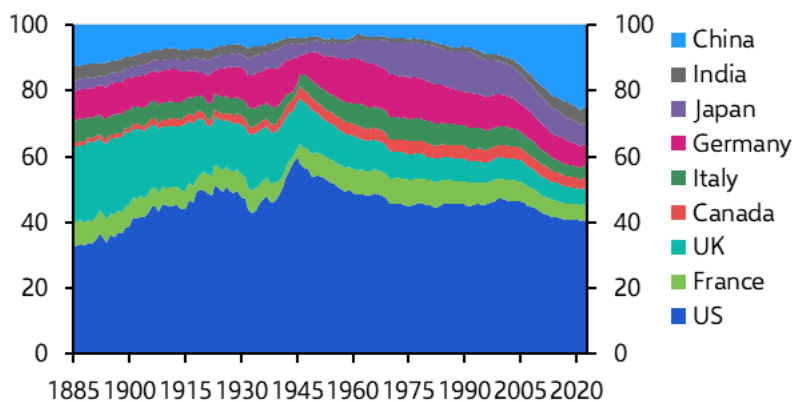
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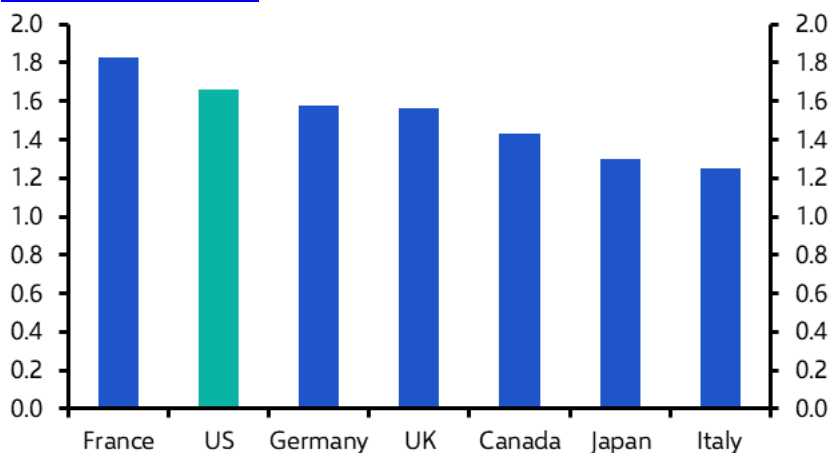
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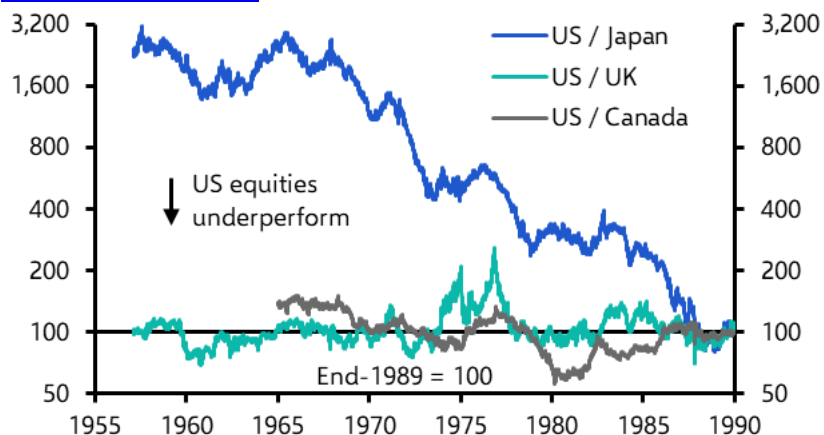
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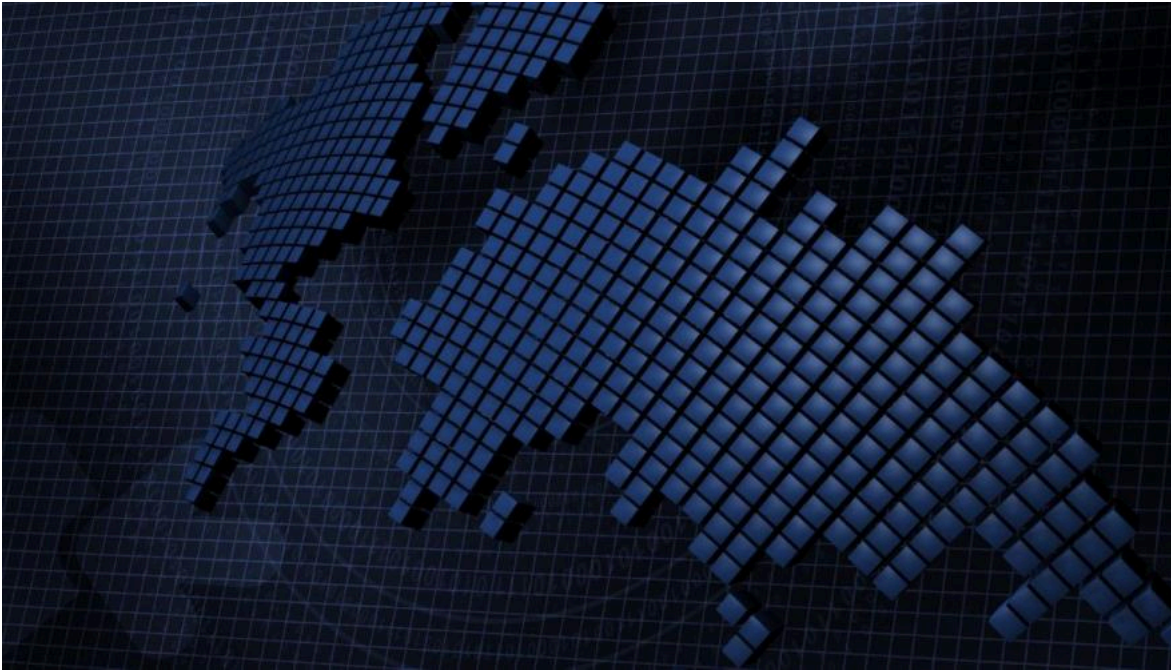
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While there are many threats to this position, we expect it to sustain its economic lead in future.  
World Rankings by Nominal GDP at \$ Market Exchange Rates:

2024	2040
1 US	1 US
2 China	2 China
3 Germany	3 India
4 Japan	4 Japan
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- 3. Can the US stock market keep outshining the rest?**  
Nonetheless, there are good reasons why the stock market will not outperform indefinitely.  
Realised And Projected Average Annual Returns (US\$, %):

Period	USA	Rest Of The World*
Since End-2009	~14%	~6%
Now to End-2025	~16%	~13%
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End-2033 to End-2050	~7%	~8%

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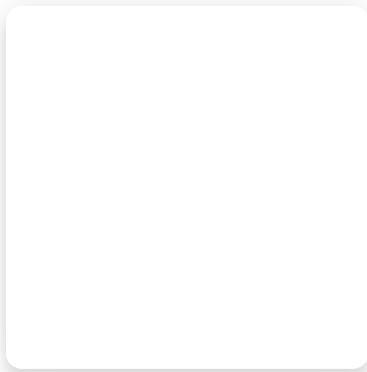
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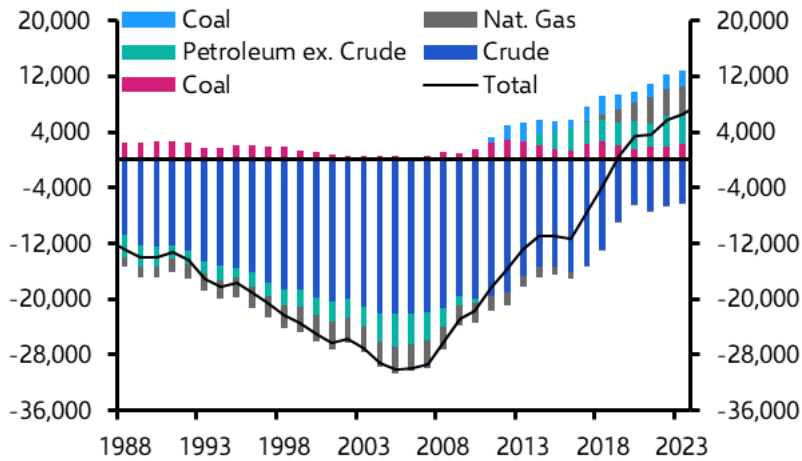
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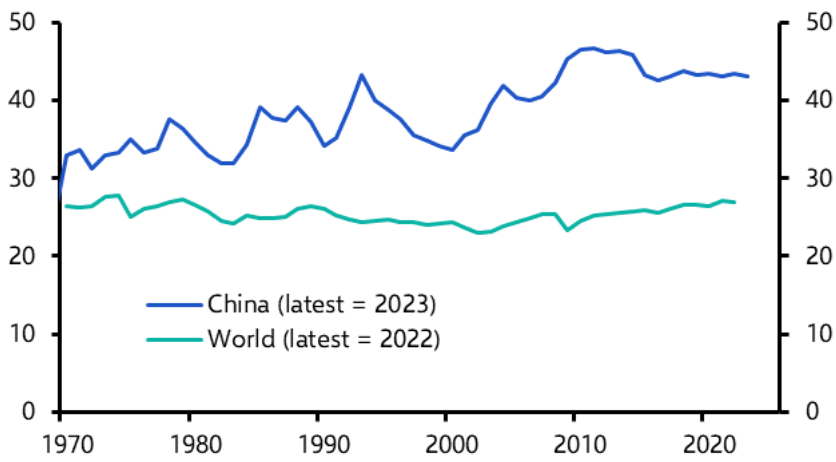
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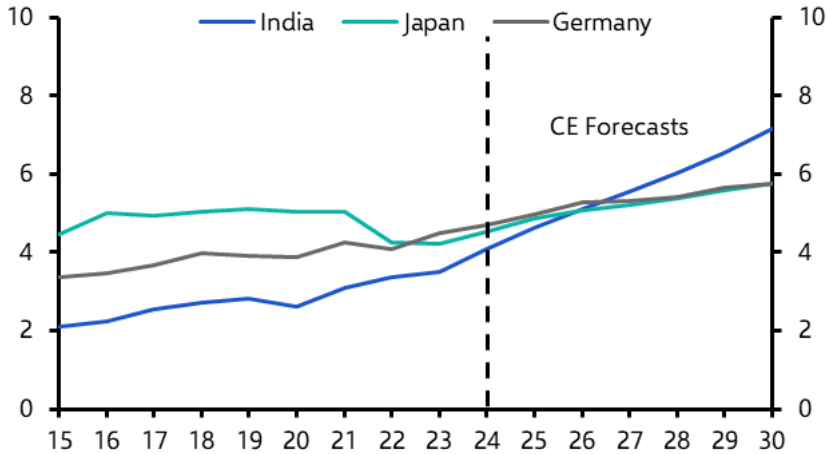
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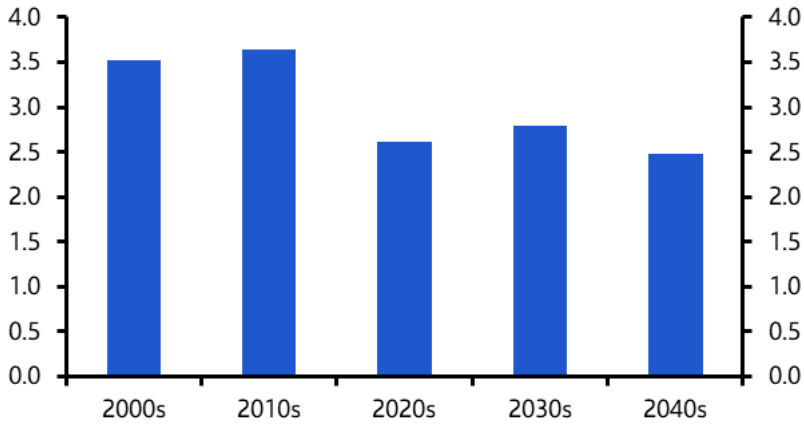
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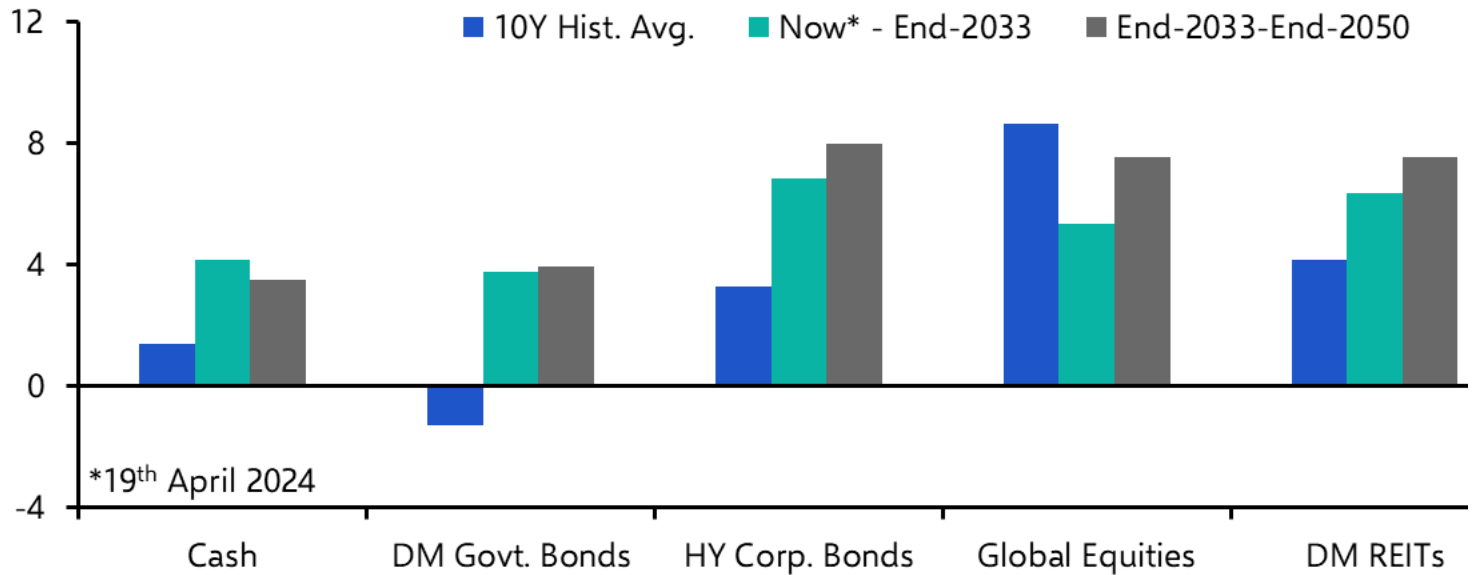
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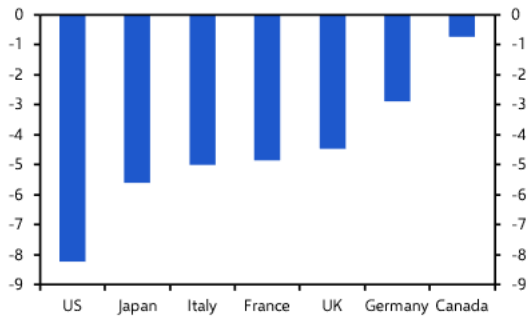


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