

# 2011 REVIEW

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The following charts give one a snapshot of what happened in the financial markets in 2011. All of these are not December 31, 2011 closes, but still reflect the general trend, and, of course, every day makes a new closing price. The first is the Rydex fund we use in our Bison Bond I program.



Adapted from [finance.yahoo.com](http://finance.yahoo.com)

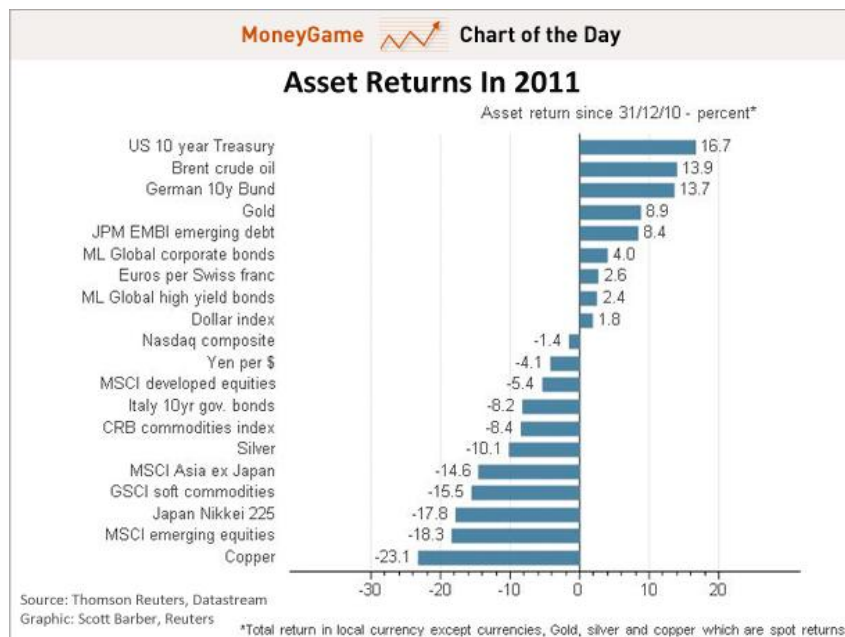
As you can see, it is quite volatile; however, if it were not there would be no way we could obtain capital gains. These capital gains come from lower yields (higher prices) and that has been and will be our major focus.

The second chart is that of the S&P 500 stock index. Does it look to you like a massive head and shoulders formation is taking place? We think so, thus our belief that the stock market is due for a major decline in the future.



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The last chart gives one an idea of what various financial assets did during 2011. Please note that U.S. Treasuries were the number one performer. We do not expect that to be the case every year. Our best thought is that once the U.S. recession is recognized there will be a major decline in yields (upward movement in prices). If so, we will likely take some profits and go to cash for a while. We will keep you informed.



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