

## Virtual Investor Summit Series





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## Review & Outlook



### 2024 was a year full of many twists and turns

- A risk-on "red wave" was seen in late November
- The Federal Reserve began an aggressive rate cutting cycle
- Government spending and borrowing concerns caught up to inflation
- Geopolitical risks and questions surrounding the strength of the consumer persisted

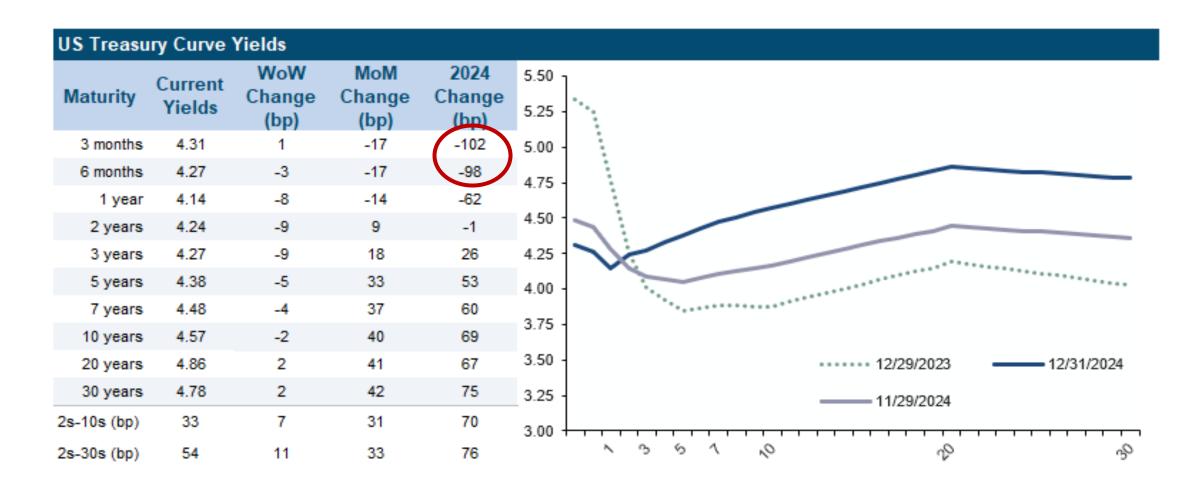
## 2025 elevated interest rates are compelling

- Opportunities exist in the high-quality lending markets
- Particular attention to growth and inflation relationship is critical
- Flexibility is key to seizing opportunity and managing risk



## Have the Fed's Rate Cuts Worked?





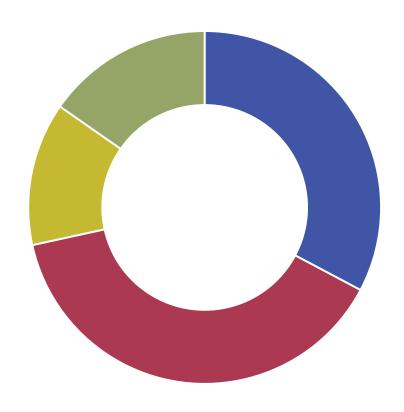
Source: CreditSights, Bloomberg. Data as of 12/31/2024

## When the Rubber Meets the Road: The Growing Concerns Around the State of the U.S. Debt



## **Total Debt Held by the Public (Principal Only) Maturity Schedule**

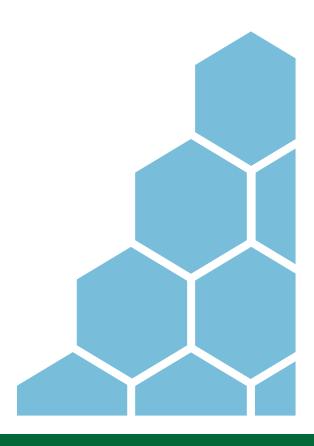
- 2025: Approximately \$9.3T
- 2026-2030: Approximately \$11.1T
- 2031-2040: Approximately \$3.7T
- 2041-2054: Approximately \$4.4T



Source: Bloomberg. Data as of 1/13/2025



# Questions?



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