



MARKET ANALYSIS DEPARTMENT

HISTORICAL BEAR MARKETS SINCE 1900 BASED ON THE DOW JONES INDUSTRIAL AVERAGE

Starting Date	Ending Date	Starting Level	Ending Level	LENGTH OF DECLINE (# Months)	DEPTH OF DECLINE (Percentage)	ONE-YEAR LATER From BEAR MARKET LOW
06/17/1901	11/09/1903	78.26	42.15	28.8	(46.1%)	59.1%
01/19/1906	11/15/1907	103.00	53.00	21.9	(48.5%)	66.2%
11/19/1909	09/25/1911	100.53	72.94	22.3	(27.4%)	28.1%
09/30/1912	07/30/1914	94.15	52.32	22.3	(44.4%)	44.9%
11/21/1916	12/19/1917	110.15	65.95	13.0	(40.1%)	25.9%
11/03/1919	08/24/1921	119.62	63.90	21.8	(46.6%)	57.0%
09/03/1929	11/13/1929	381.17	198.69	2.3	(47.9%)	(10.8%)
04/17/1930	07/08/1932	294.07	41.22	26.8	(86.0%)	155.6%
09/07/1932	02/27/1933	79.93	50.16	5.7	(37.2%)	105.6%
02/05/1934	07/26/1934	110.74	85.51	5.6	(22.8%)	44.8%
03/10/1937	03/31/1938	194.40	98.95	12.7	(49.1%)	33.2%
11/09/1938	04/11/1939	158.08	123.75	5.1	(21.7%)	20.7%
09/12/1939	04/28/1942	155.92	92.92	31.6	(40.4%)	44.6%
05/29/1946	10/09/1946	212.50	163.12	4.4	(23.2%)	9.6%
04/06/1956	10/22/1957	521.05	419.79	18.6	(19.4%)	29.5%
12/31/1961	06/26/1962	734.91	535.76	5.8	(27.1%)	33.7%
02/09/1966	10/07/1966	995.15	744.32	7.9	(25.2%)	24.8%
12/03/1968	05/26/1970	985.21	631.16	17.8	(35.9%)	43.7%
01/11/1973	12/06/1974	1,051.70	577.60	22.9	(45.1%)	41.8%
09/21/1976	02/28/1978	1,014.79	742.12	17.3	(26.9%)	8.7%
04/27/1981	08/12/1982	1,024.05	776.92	15.6	(24.1%)	51.2%
08/25/1987	10/19/1987	2,722.42	1,738.74	1.8	(36.1%)	24.2%
07/17/1990	10/11/1990	2,999.75	2,365.10	2.8	(21.2%)	25.9%
01/14/2000	10/09/2002	11,722.98	7,286.27	33.0	(37.8%)	32.9%
10/09/2007	03/09/2009*	14,164.53	6,547.05*		(53.8%)	

AVERAGES**

	LENGTH OF DECLINE (# Months)	DEPTH OF DECLINE (Percentage)	ONE-YEAR LATER From BEAR MARKET LOW
LAST 3	12.5	(31.7%)	27.7%
LAST 5	14.1	(29.2%)	28.6%
LAST 11 (Post WWII)	13.4	(29.3%)	29.6%
LAST 20	13.6	(35.7%)	40.1%
ALL (24)	15.3	(36.7%)	41.7%

* Closing level is the lowest in current bear market.

** Averages do not include the current bear market

Sources: Dow Jones & Company, Inc.; Thomson Charts, Thomson Financial Networks, Inc.

- Measured by the DJIA since 1900, the stock market is currently experiencing its 25th bear market. The accompanying table defines a bear market using the conventional industry definition of a 20% decline from closing peak to trough. The 1956-1957 decline was included because of the close proximity to the 20% definition.
- The 24 completed bear markets had an average decline of -36.7% and an average length of 15.3 months. Post World War II, there have been 11 completed bear markets with an average decline of -29.3% and 13.4 months in length. As of the March 9, 2009 closing level, the current bear market that began in October 2007 has declined -53.8% and lasted 17.2 months.
- The summary statistics at the bottom of the table show a slight tendency for bear markets in recent history to decline less and have shorter lengths. We believe this tendency has been because of the explosion of financial information reporting through multiple media sources, most importantly the Internet; information is received and discounted much more quickly now than in the past.
- The current bear market now ranks as the second largest decline since 1900, only surpassed by the -86% decline during the Great Depression.
- There have been sharp advances following the lows of bear markets. In all 24 completed bears since 1900, the DJIA has an average a rise of 41.7% during the next 12 months. The last three bear markets have been followed by a 27.7% advance.

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