

# MEDIA REPLAY



### **Economic Meltdown**

9/28/1992





1/8/2001

# So Long Retirement



3/20/1995



SOCIAL SECURITY
What can the Nation Afford?

5/24/1982







10/19/2009

10/31/2005

7/29/2002

# Our System Is Broken





TIME After a wild week on Wall Street, the world is different

12/1/2008



11/2/1987

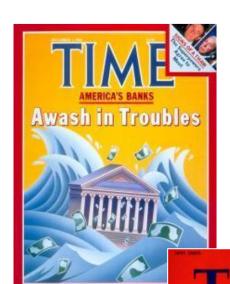


9/17/2012

3/13/1995

### **Debt, Debt, and More Debt**





12/3/1984



3/5/1984







"New Beginning"

# Agenda

















# The Daily **Media Storm**

**Average Time News Consumers Spend** on Various Platforms—Heavy Viewers **79** 

(minutes per day)

**Minutes** 

32 22 **Minutes Minutes** 

Local TV News Network TV News Cable TV News

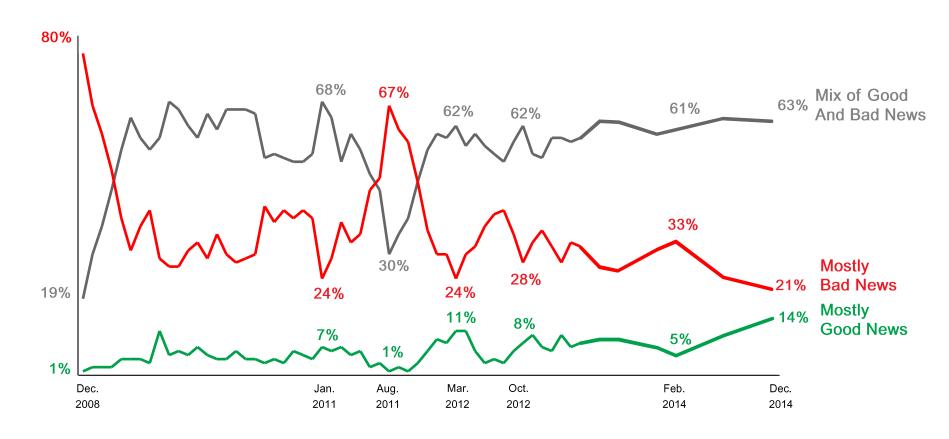
Data Source: Nielsen Data & Pew Research Center, How Americans Get TV News at Home, February, 2013.







### The Public's View of Recent Economic News

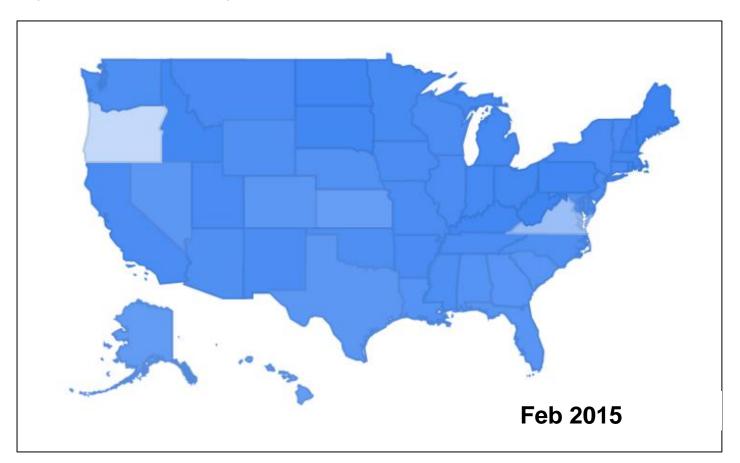






### Google Searches for "Anxiety" in United States

January 2004 - February 2015



Source: MIT AgeLab









### **Investing Attention in the Negative**



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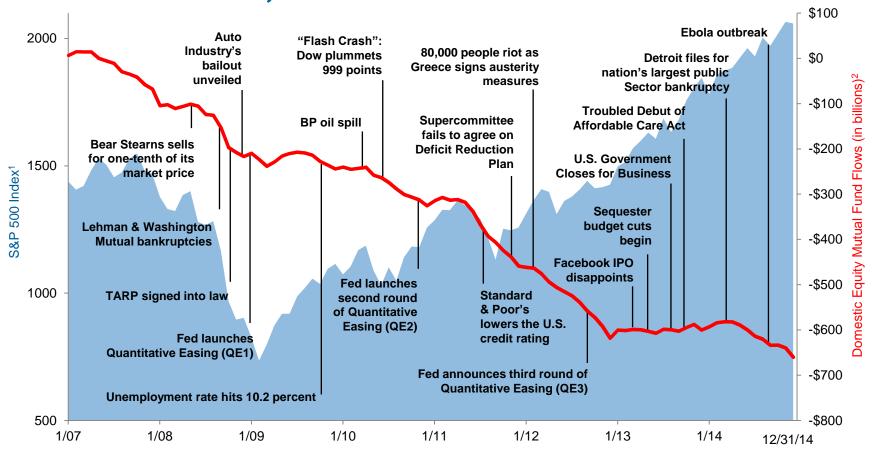
<sup>1</sup>Data Source: Nielson Media Research/Zero Hedge, June, 2014

<sup>2</sup>Data Source: Yahoo Finance, 1/15





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**Cumulative Asset Flows** 

(1/31/07-12/31/14)

\$1.1 Trillion

-\$661 Billion

**Domestic Equity Mutual Funds** 

**Bond Mutual Funds** 

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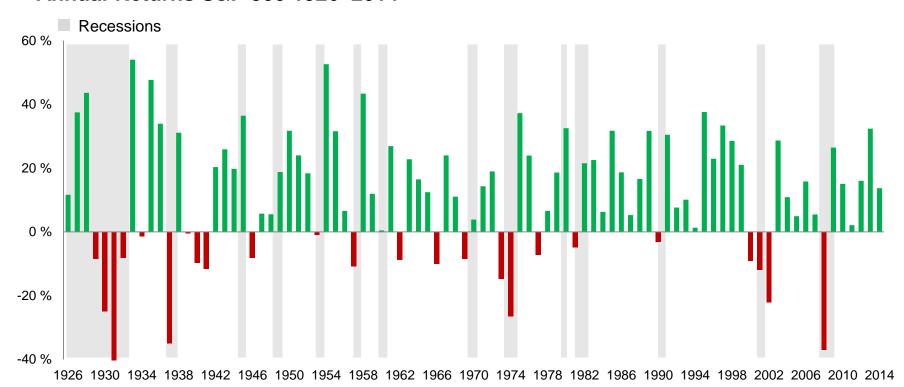






### **Risk Aversion**

#### Annual Returns S&P 500 1926-2014



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### "I Can't Take It Anymore!"



















1/11/73-10/3/74

- Middle East Oil Embargo
- Watergate

#### 8/25/87-10/19/87

 Black Monday: The Dow Jones Industrial Average dropped 22% in one day.

#### 9/1/00-9/21/01

- Dot Com Bubble
- Accounting Scandals
- 9/11

#### 3/19/02-10/9/02

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- WorldCom collapse
- Tyco Executives indicted
- Ford closes five plants

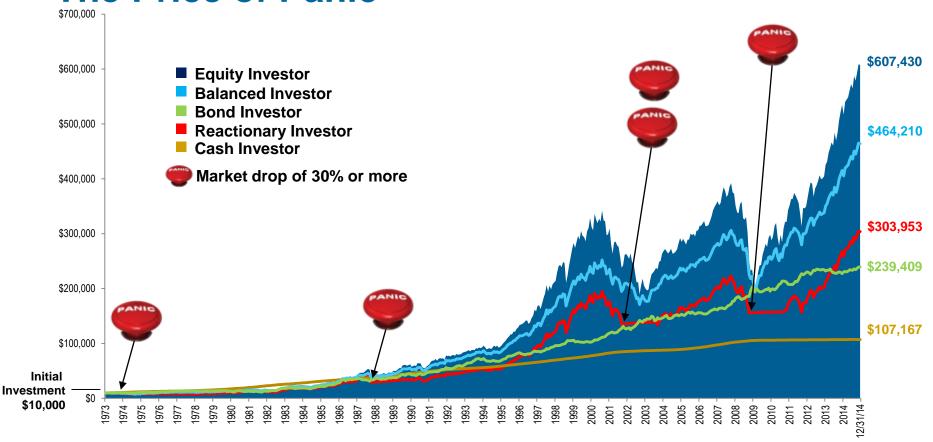
10/9/07-11/20/08

- Housing Bubble
- Financial Crisis





### The Price of Panic



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Data Source: Ned Davis Research, 1/15

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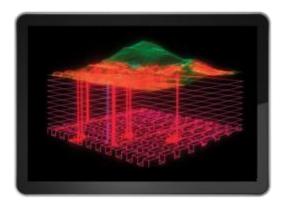
Our benchmark is the investor."

# Headlines You'll Probably Never See

The Power of 3D Printing



U.S. Energy Independence





Transportation Without Ownership







### Your Advisor Can Help

#### **Individual Investors Have Underperformed Market Indices**

30-Year Returns for Period Ending 12/31/14



Data Source: DALBAR's Annual Quantitative Analysis of Investor Behavior (QAIB), 2015. Performance data for indices represents a lump sum investment in January 1985 to December 2014 with no withdrawals. Stocks are represented by the S&P 500 Index. Bonds are represented by the Barclays U.S. Aggregate Bond Index. Indices are unmanaged, unavailable for direct investment, and do not reflect fees, expenses, or sales charges. Unmanaged index returns do not reflect any fees, expenses or sales charges.

See last slide for index descriptions.

Dalbar's Quantitative Analysis of Investor Behavior Methodology — Dalbar's Quantitative Analysis of Investor Behavior uses data from the Investment Company Institute (ICI), Standard & Poor's and Barclays Index Products to compare mutual fund investor returns to an appropriate set of benchmarks. Covering the period from January 1, 1985, to December 31, 2014, the study utilizes mutual fund sales, redemptions and exchanges each month as the measure of investor behavior. These behaviors reflect the "average investor." Based on this behavior, the analysis calculates the "average investor return" for various periods. These results are then compared to the returns of respective indices.

Average equity investor and average bond investor performance results are calculated using data supplied by the Investment Company Institute. Investor returns are represented by the change in total mutual fund assets after excluding sales, redemptions and exchanges. This method of calculation captures realized and unrealized capital gains, dividends, interest, trading costs, sales charges, fees, expenses and any other costs. After calculating investor returns in dollar terms, two percentages are calculated for the period examined: Total investor return rate and annualized investor return rate. Total investor return rate is determined by calculating the investor return dollars as a percentage of the net of the sales, redemptions, and exchanges for each period.





# **Your Advisor Can Help**

- Review your portfolio balance
- Provide perspective
- Act as an emotional coach
- Help you avoid common investment mistakes

### **Summary**









### **The Bottom Line**



The Mainstream media's tendency to report on imminent market collapse often leads to panic decisions.

Your advisor can provide perspective to help you avoid mistakes and help keep you on course with your investment plan.



### **Next Steps**



### Within two weeks:

- 1. Review the Media Replay brochure
- 2. Schedule an appointment with your advisor
- 3. Discuss your portfolio asset allocation



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**Dow Jones Industrial Average** is price-weighted average of 30 significant stocks traded on the New York Stock Exchange and the Nasdaq.

**S&P 500 Index** is an unmanaged list of 500 widely held U.S. common stocks frequently used as a measure of U.S. stock market performance.

**Barclays U.S. Aggregate Bond Index** is comprised of government securities, mortgage-backed securities, asset-backed securities, and corporate securities to simulate the universe of bonds in the market.

**Barclays Long-Term U.S. Treasury Total Return Index** includes all publicly issued, U.S. Treasury securities that have a remaining maturity of 10 or more years, are rated investment grade, and have \$250 million or more of outstanding face value.

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