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The Stock Market Just Had Its Worst Week of the Year. No News Is Bad News.



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Investors should use 2023's early rally in risky assets to shift back toward defensive stocks, says Gavekal Research's Tan Kai Xian. Spencer Platt/Getty Images

Even the most optimistic investors will admit that January's blistering pacewhich lingered into the first trading days of February—couldn't continue indefinitely, not after the Nasdaq Composite COMP -0.61% ▼ posted its best start to a year since 2001. In that

sense, the fact that the Dow Jones Industrial Average DJIA +0.50% ▲ dipped 0.2%, the S&P 500 index SPX +0.22% ▲ fell 1.1%, and the Nasdaq dropped 2.4% this past week isn't too troubling.