

# 2026 MAY

The adage is to "sell in May and go away", and history backs that up. For the Dow, May ranks as the second worst monthly performance of the year over the past 100 years (-0.09%), and it is one of only two months that averages a decline.



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
27	28	29	30	01 <b>0.15%</b> - S&P Global Man'f PMI - ISM Manufacturing - Wards Vehicle Sales	02	03
04 <b>0.13%</b> - Factory Orders - Durable/Capital Goods	05 <b>0.12%</b> - Trade Balance - S&P Global Svcs PMI - ISM Services - New Home Sales - JOLTS Job Openings - Building Permits	06 <b>-0.23%</b> - MBA Mortgage Apps - ADP Employment	07 <b>-0.22%</b> - Nonfarm Productivity - Unit Labor Costs - Jobless Claims - Construction Spending - NY Fed Inflation Exp. - Consumer Credit	08 <b>0.39%</b> - Nonfarm Payrolls - Unemployment Rate - Avg. Hourly Earnings - U. of Mich. Sentiment - Wholesale Inventories - Wholesale Trade Sales	09	10
11 <b>-0.21%</b> - Existing Home Sales	12 <b>0.27%</b> - NFIB Small Business - ADP Weekly Payrolls - CPI - Real. Hourly Earnings - Federal Budget	13 <b>-0.08%</b> - MBA Mortgage Apps - PPI	14 <b>0.10%</b> - Import/Export Prices - Jobless Claims - Retail Sales - Business Inventories	15 <b>0.02%</b> - Empire Fed - Industrial Production - Capacity Utilization <b>Options Expiration</b>	16	17
18 <b>-0.01%</b> - NY Fed Svcs Activity - Homebuilder Sentiment - TIC Flows	19 <b>-0.09%</b> - ADP Weekly Payrolls - Pending Home Sales	20 <b>-0.05%</b> - MBA Mortgage Apps - FOMC Meeting Minutes	21 <b>0.01%</b> - Jobless Claims - Philly Fed Man'f Index - Housing Starts/Permits - Prelim. S&P Global PMIs - KC Fed Man'f Index	22 <b>0.09%</b> - U. of Mich. Sentiment - KC Fed Svcs Index	23 <i>Historical Average S&amp;P 500 % Change For This Date</i> <i>Historical Composite S&amp;P 500 Intraday Chart for This Date</i>	24
25 <b>Markets Closed for Memorial Day Holiday</b>	26 <b>0.42%</b> - ADP Weekly Payrolls - Philly Fed Svcs Index - FHFA Home Prices - Case-Shiller Home Prices - Consumer Confidence - Dallas Fed Man'f Index	27 <b>0.49%</b> - MBA Mortgage Apps - Richmond Fed Man'f - Richmond Fed Svcs	28 <b>0.12%</b> - Personal Income/Spend - PCE Price Index - Durable/Capital Goods - Jobless Claims - GDP - GDP Price Index - New Home Sales	29 <b>0.07%</b> - Advanced Goods Trade - Wholesale Inventories - Retail Inventories - MNI Chicago PMI	30	31