

# Financial Stress Monitor

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## Market Risk & Compliance Alert Dashboard

CURRENT STRESS INDEX

**-0.65**

RISK LEVEL

**Normal**

12-MONTH AVERAGE

**-0.53**

12-MONTH RANGE

**-0.90 to 0.58**

## Stress Index Components

Indicator	Current Value	Trend	Risk Contribution
High Yield Bond Spread	2.64	↓ (-0.01)	Normal
10Y-2Y Treasury Spread	0.64	↓ (-0.01)	Normal
VIX (Market Volatility)	15.64	↓ (-0.22)	Normal

## Stress Index Interpretation

Level	Range	Interpretation	Action
Normal	< 0	Below-average financial stress	Standard monitoring
Elevated	0 to 1	Above-average stress	Enhanced monitoring
High	> 1	Significant financial stress	Heightened alert status
Crisis	> 2	Severe stress (2008 levels)	Emergency protocols

## **Current Assessment:**

- Financial Stress Index: -0.65 (Normal)
- Trend: Decreasing from 12-month average
- Recommendation: Standard compliance procedures

**Methodology:** St. Louis Financial Stress Index (STLFSI4) from Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis. Index measures financial market stress using 18 data series including interest rates, yield spreads, and volatility. Zero represents normal conditions; positive values indicate above-average stress.

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