

# Stock Market Briefing: S&P 500 Trailing P/E Ratios

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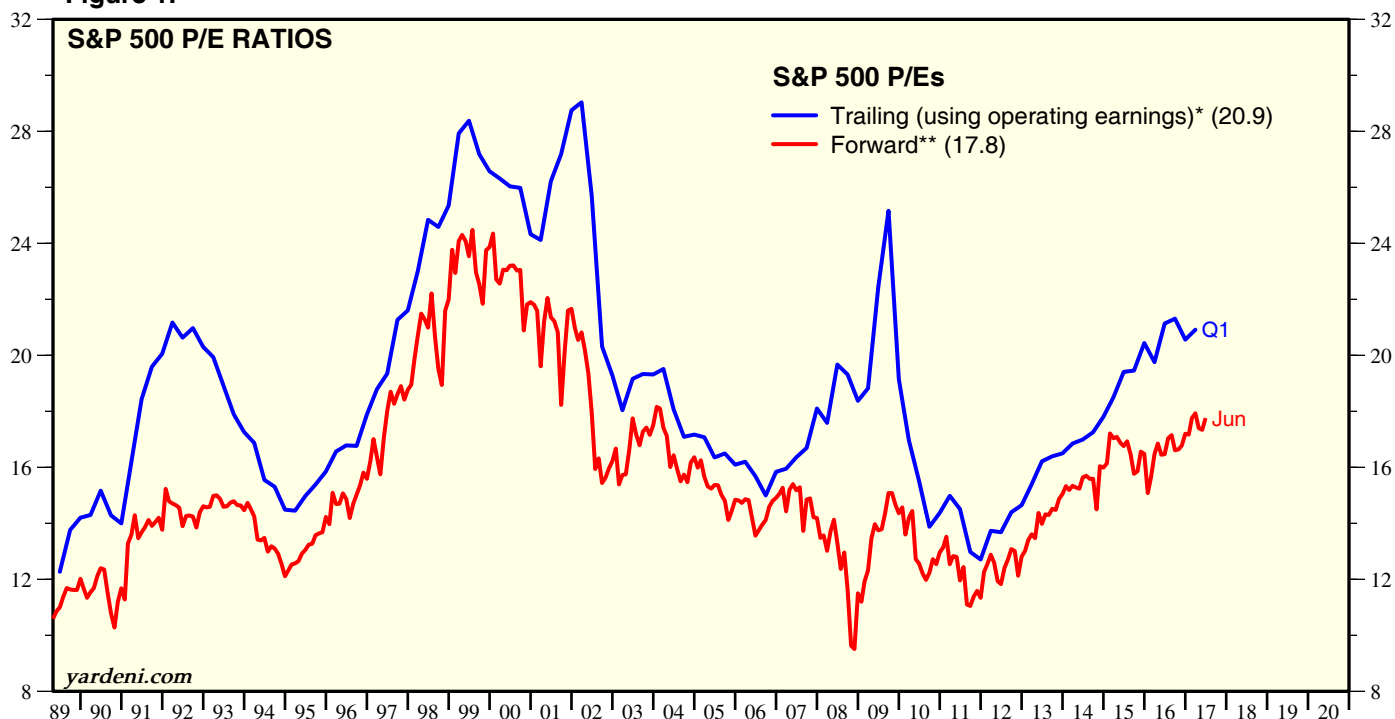
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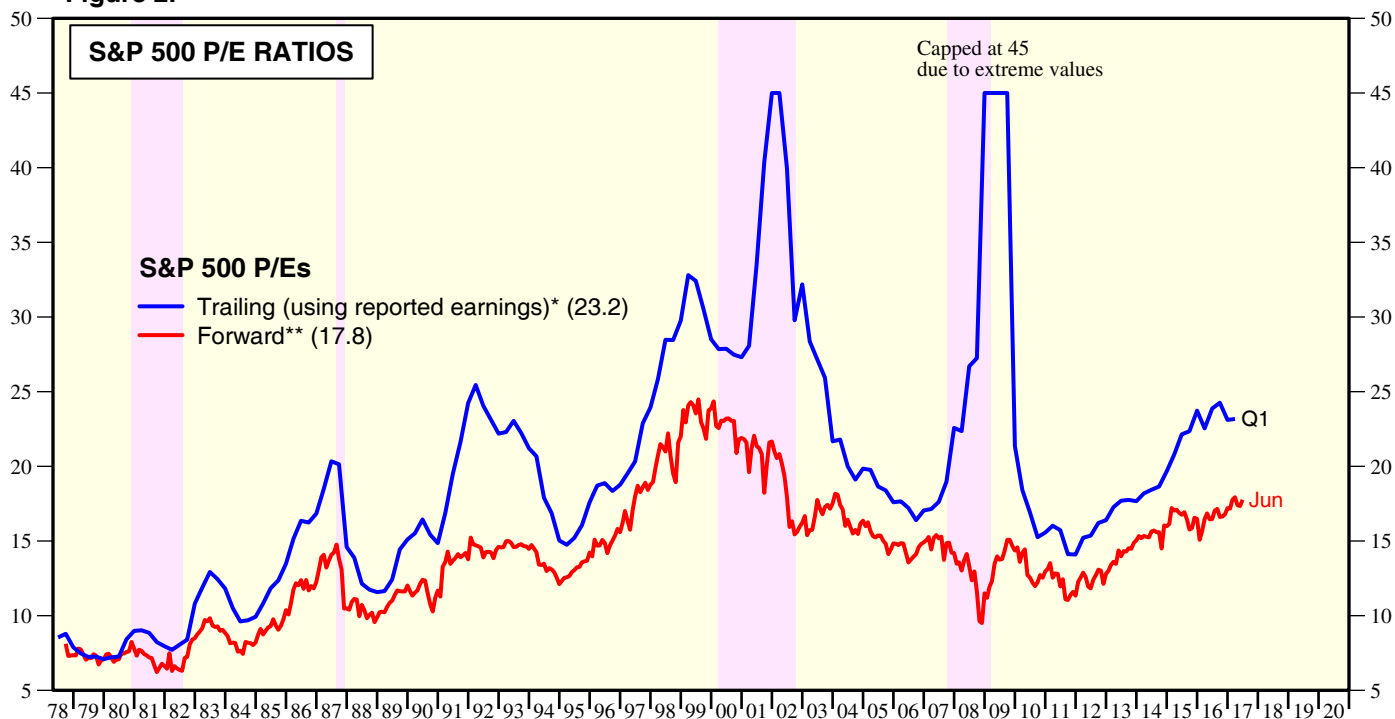


\* Using 4-quarter trailing operating earnings.

\*\* S&P 500 stock price index divided by S&P 500 12-month forward consensus expected operating earnings.

Source: Thomson Reuters I/B/E/S and Standard & Poor's.

Figure 2.



\* Using 4-quarter trailing reported earnings.

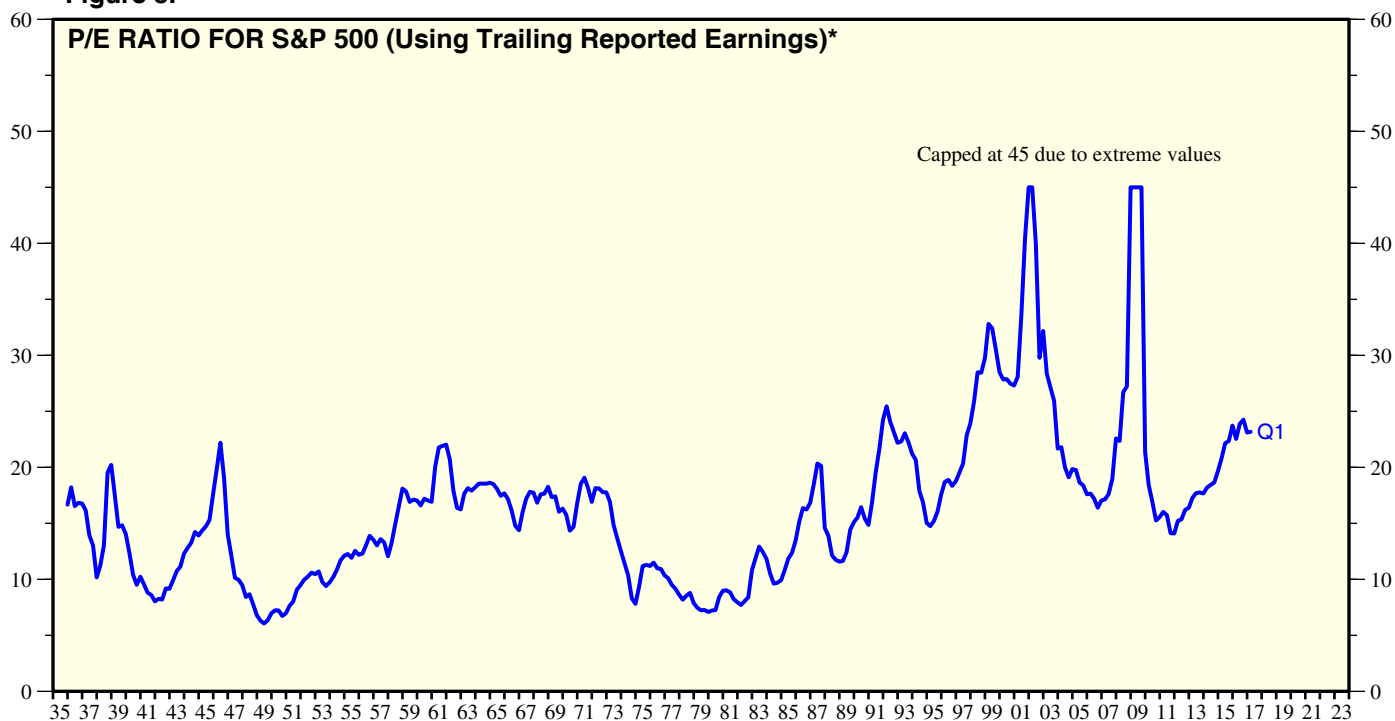
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Note: Shaded red areas denote S&P 500 bear market declines of 20% or more. Yellow areas show bull markets.

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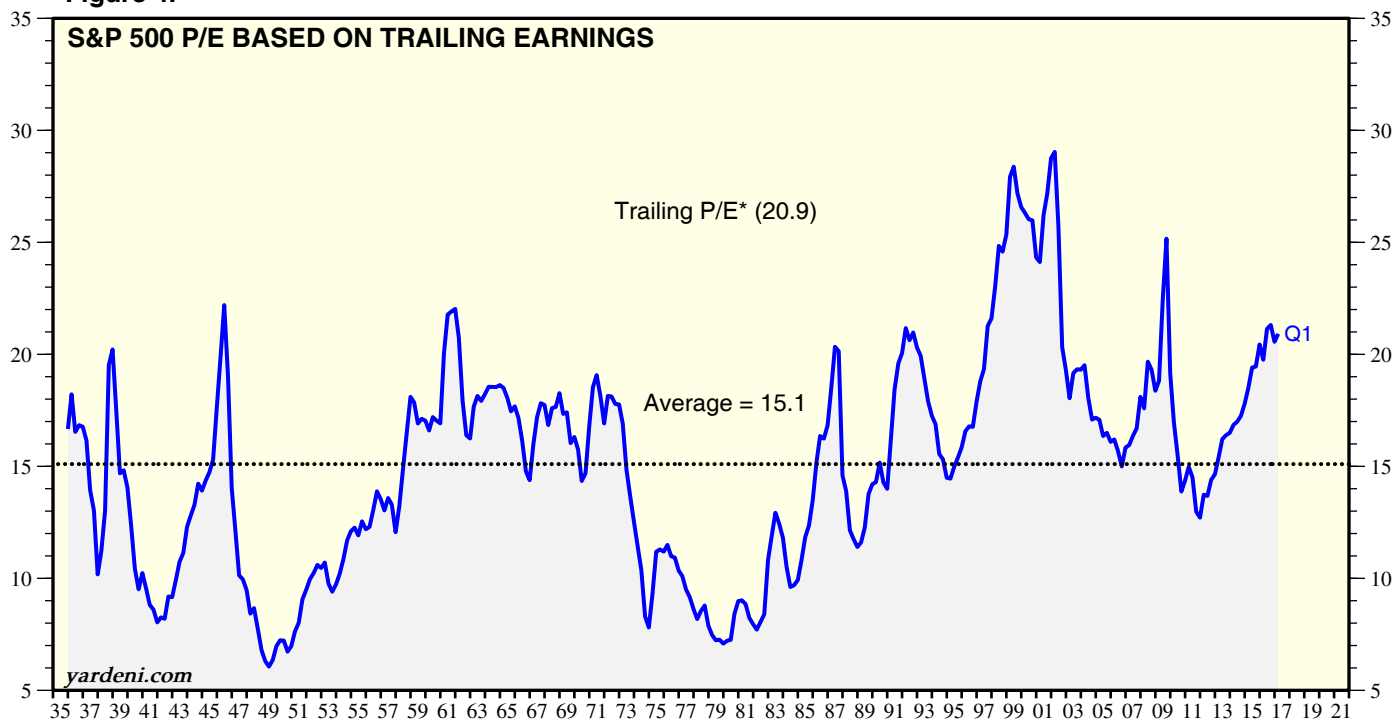
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Figure 3.



\* Using 4-quarter trailing reported earnings.  
Source: Standard & Poor's Corporation.

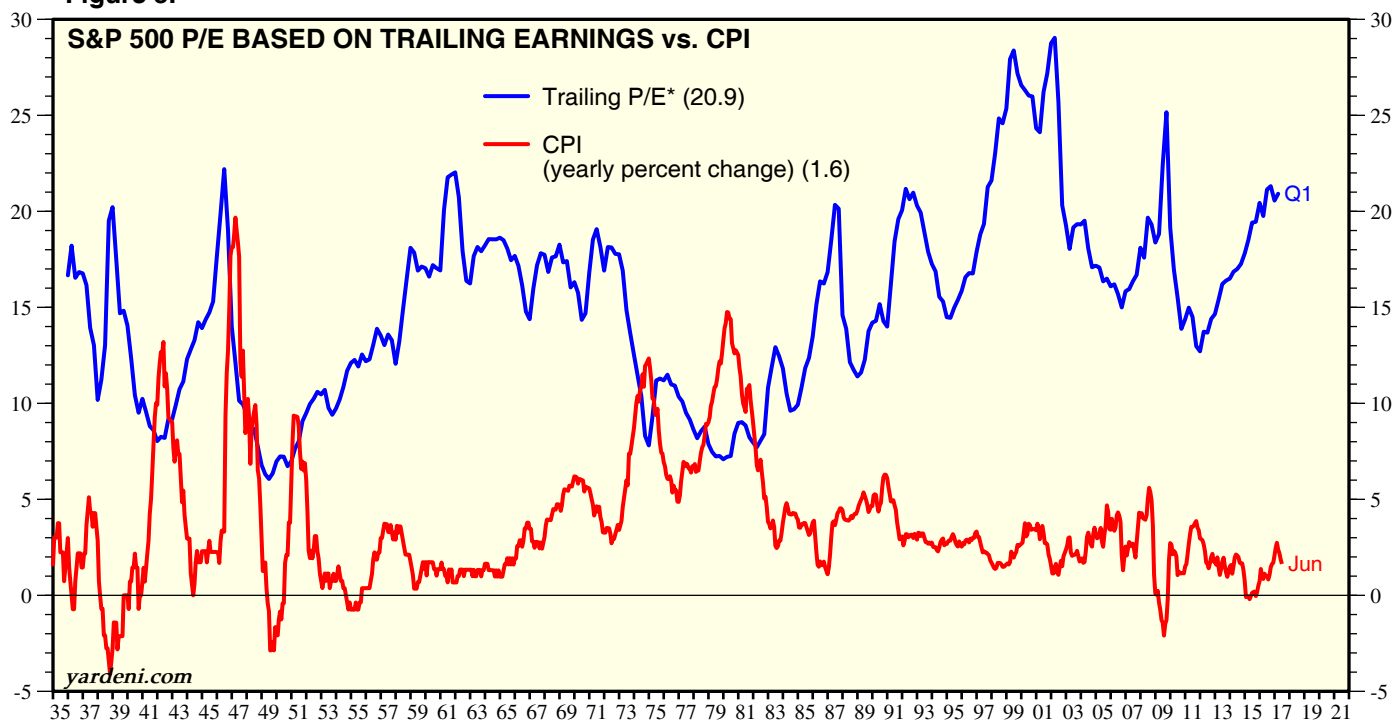
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\* Using quarterly average of daily data for S&P 500 price index, and 4-quarter trailing reported earnings through Q3-1988, then operating earnings.  
Source: Standard & Poor's.

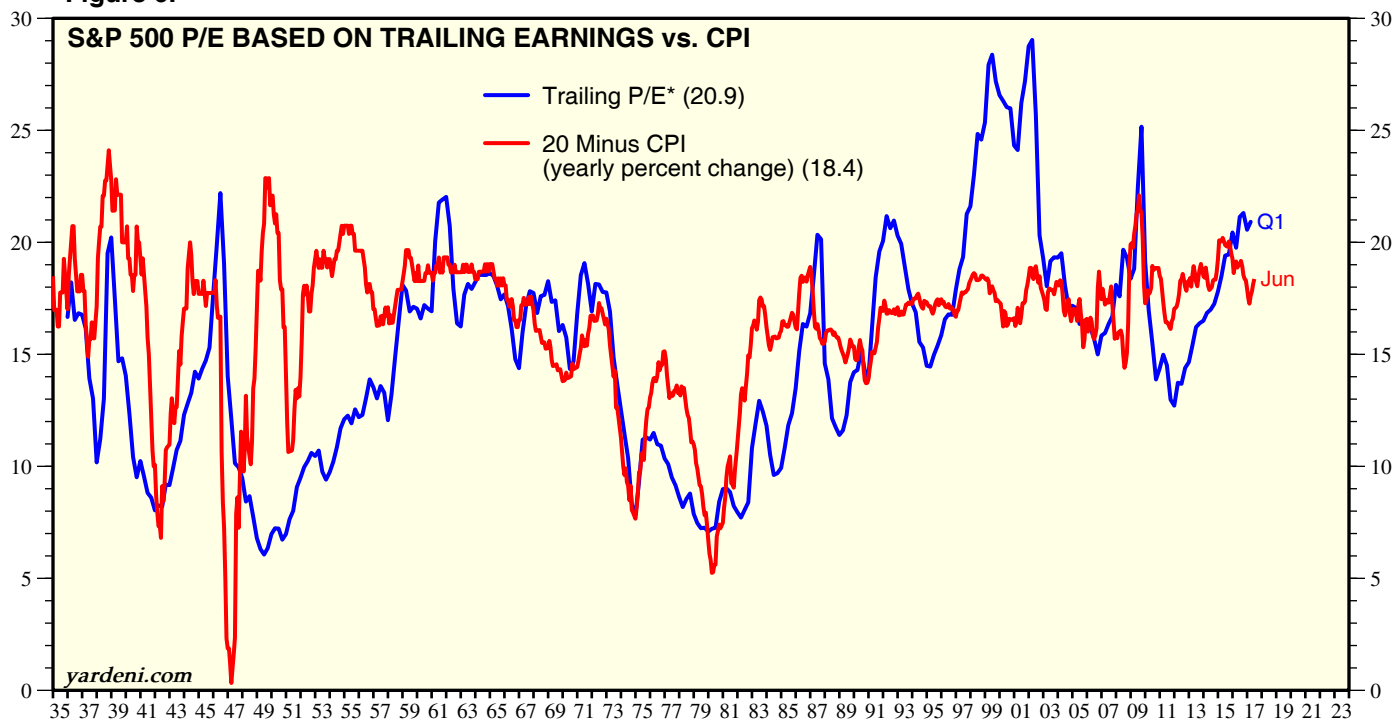
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Figure 5.



\* Using quarterly average of daily data for S&P 500 price index, and 4-quarter trailing reported earnings through Q3-1988, then operating earnings. Source: Standard & Poor's and Bureau of Economic Analysis.

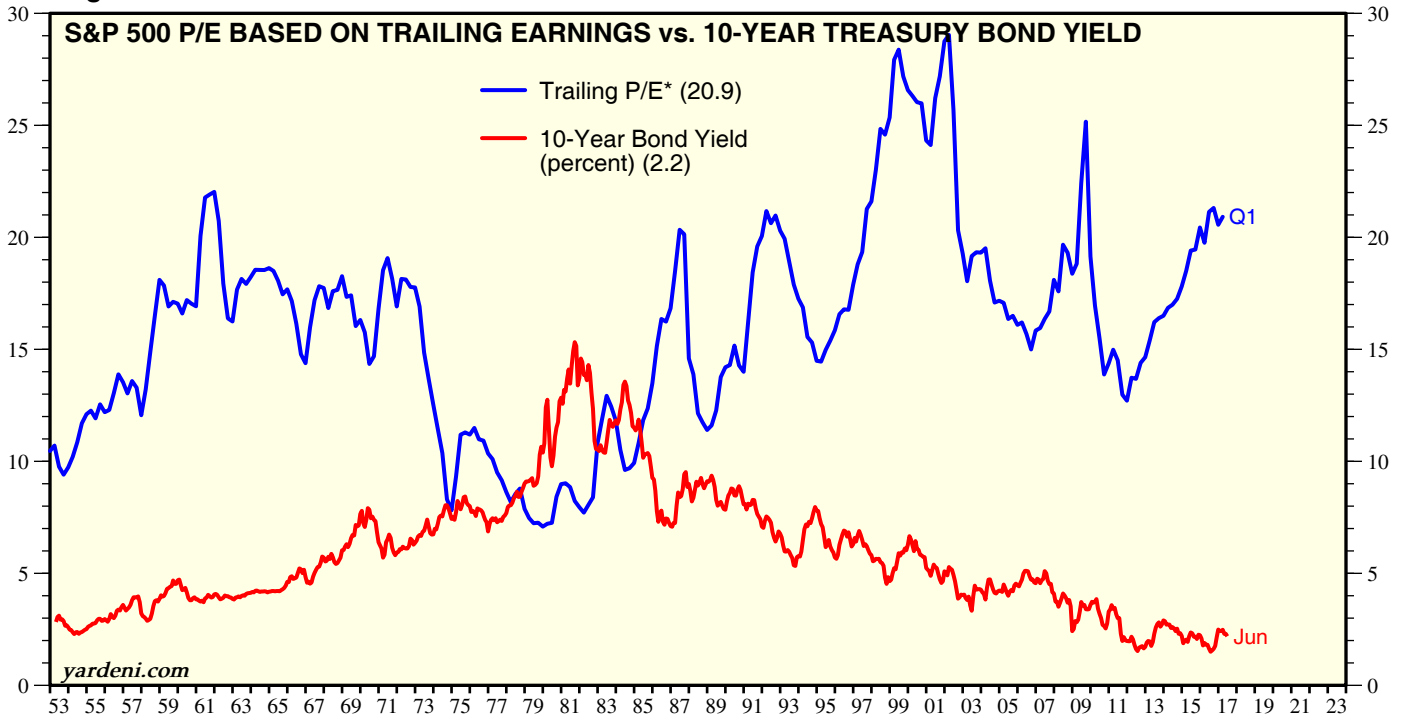
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\* Using quarterly average of daily data for S&P 500 price index, and 4-quarter trailing reported earnings through Q3-1988, then operating earnings. Source: Standard & Poor's Corporation and Bureau of Economic Analysis.

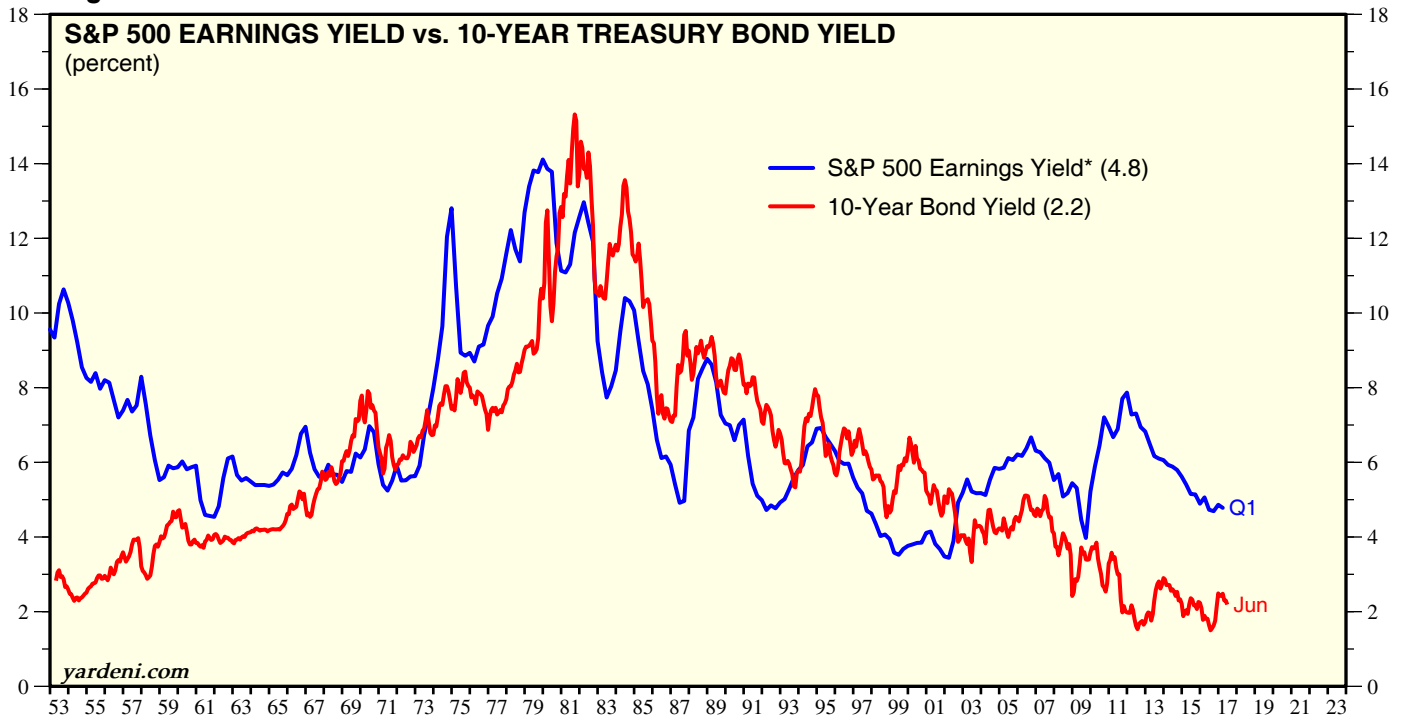
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\* Using quarterly average of daily data for S&P 500 price index, and 4-quarter trailing reported earnings through Q3-1988, then operating earnings. Source: Standard & Poor's and Federal Reserve Board.

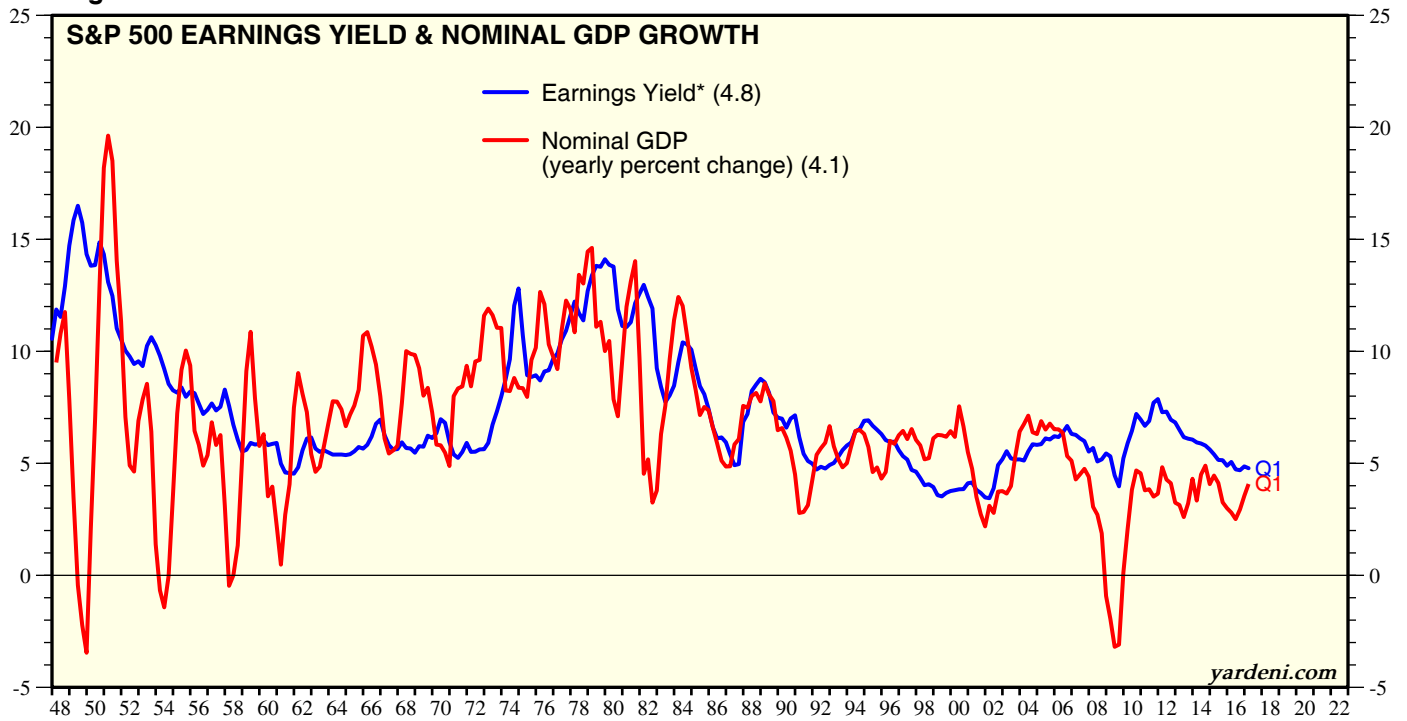
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\* Using quarterly average of daily data for S&P 500 price index, and 4-quarter trailing reported earnings through Q3-1988, then operating earnings. Source: Standard & Poor's and Federal Reserve Board.

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Figure 9.



\* S&P 500 trailing earnings divided by stock price index. Using quarterly average of daily data for S&P 500 price index, and 4-quarter trailing reported earnings through Q3-1988, then operating earnings.  
Source: Standard & Poor's Corporation and Bureau of Economic Analysis.

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