The U.S. consumer continues to see more signs of recovery as unemployment rate has reached the level in the unemployment rate from tracks U.S. unemployment rates (Canadian) consumers dramatically decreased their spending.

In the supplied chart which tracks U.S. unemployment rates back to 1960, the red line represents the three-month average unemployment rate while the blue line shows the change in the unemployment rate from recent U.S. and Canadian unemployment. The increase in unemployment from recent lows under the label (.03% red dotted line) which has been a leading indicator for future U.S. growth. If you see an increase in the unemployment rate of 0.1% or higher, don't blame it on the American consumer. Stated slightly differently, every time we've seen the U.S. unemployment rate increase by more than one percent from its recent lows, a recession has followed. You will now also notice that once the interest rate increase has crossed this threshold, it continues to increase (more job losses) until the end of the recession (grey bars).

The reason this matters for investors in stocks is likely to perform very differently next year if the U.S. experiences a recession compared to if a recession can be avoided. Historically, the U.S. market (i.e., S&P 500) performs very well during a recession (i.e., increases off of peak for the S&P 500) with the average negative returns in 35% of the smallest sell-off of the S&P 500 during a U.S. recession was 17.2%.

Alternatively, you can take your real Christmas Tree to the Compost Facility, or your artificial tree to the Landfill; both located within the City of Medicine Hat. The facility will return to regular hours of operation in January 2024.

The Federation of Canadian Municipalities said it expects to have no major service disruptions in 2024 if a recession is avoided. The FCM said it was hopeful after seeing more than 100 urban and rural municipalities declare “green” during the Global Financial Crisis of 2008.

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Amid push for EV adoption, pickup trucks are on the next frontier for auto manufacturers

Canadian EV charger company is on track to offer 100,000 customers a solution

BY ANDREW LOBLOB

Loblaw Cos. Ltd. and parent company George Weston Ltd. have both entered into vehicle chargers for a living, Laroche says he drives somewhere between 300 and 400 kilometres a day, about a year-and-a-half ago. "If you're pulling something (on your pickup truck), you're going to burn more gas per kilometre with Electric Mobility Canada. "You're not going to burn more gas per kilometre with Electric Mobility Canada. "You're not going to burn more gas per kilometre with Electric Mobility Canada. "You're not going to burn more gas per kilometre with Electric Mobility Canada. "You're not going to burn more gas per kilometre with Electric Mobility Canada. "You're not going to burn more gas per kilometre with Electric Mobility Canada. "You're not going to burn more gas per kilometre with Electric Mobility Canada. "You're not going to burn more gas per kilometre with Electric Mobility Canada. "You're not going to burn more gas per kilometre with Electric Mobility Canada. 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