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We cited some statistics last week on the performance of the 500 individual issues in the Standard and Poors 500. We have compared prices on September 25, when the S & P average itself reached a low of 112.77 and February 23, when it first penetrated that low at 111.51. It has, of course, moved somewhat lower this week. The following table summarizes the performance of each of the component groups, including the average change (unweighted) for the stocks in the group. *What is interesting is the excellent performance of a fair number of groups.* Eliminating takeovers, many areas have demonstrated *superior relative strength. A number, such as Drugs, Foods, Soft Drinks, Food Chains, Department* Stores, and Electric Utilities are classic defensive issues. In addition, finance-related issues have tended to perform well. We do not think this phenomenon is accidental or temporary. Individual groups that show above-average relative strength on a downswing also tend to perform well on the next up-cycle. Some analysts have explained the above-average performance of defensive issues in terms of their low volatility. In our view, this explanation is only partially satisfactory, and we think there is a strong likelihood that many of these issues may be leaders in the next bull market.

GROUP	STOCKS UP	STOCKS DOWN	AVERAGE CHANGE	GROUP	STOCKS UP	STOCKS DOWN	AVERAGE CHANGE
SUGAR REFINERS	2	1	37.12	COSMETICS	3	3	-0.67
RESTAURANTS	4	1	33.62	ELECTRICAL HOUSEHOLD APPLIANCE	2	2	-0.67
HOSPITAL SUPPLIES	6	0	28.27	PUBLISHING (NEWSPAPERS)	1	3	-0.80
ENTERTAINMENT	5	0	27.26	OFFICE & BUS. EQUIP.	5	7	-0.93
ELECTRONICS-INSTRUMENTATION	3	1	25.89	TIRES & RUBBER	2	2	-1.40
TOYS	2	1	23.08	AEROSPACE	4	4	-1.79
LEISURE TIME	4	1	23.06	20 TRANSPORTATION	7	13	-1.80
SOAPS	5	0	21.62	MISCELLANEOUS	7	13	-2.91
BLDG. : AIR CONDITIONING	1	1	21.35	PAPER	3	5	-3.23
MULTI-LINE INSURANCE	5	0	17.01	CHEMICALS	2	4	-3.48
DRUGS	9	3	14.82	AIR TRANSPORT	1	4	-3.52
FOODS	18	3	14.64	CHEMICALS-MISC.	3	4	-3.67
SOFT DRINKS	4	1	12.04	GENERAL MERCHANDISE CHAINS	2	2	-3.80
FOOD CHAIN	6	1	11.81	CONTAINER METAL & GLASS	2	3	-4.06
CONTAINER PAPER	2	2	11.68	RAILROAD EQUIPMENT	2	1	-4.31
RETAIL STORES: DEPARTMENT	7	1	11.31	TELEPHONE (XCLU ATT)	0	4	-4.62
TEXTILE PRODUCTS	6	1	10.41	ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT	2	4	-4.63
PROPERTY-CASUALITY INSURANCE	6	0	10.33	HOME FURNISHINGS	1	2	-4.75
ELECTRIC COMPANIES	20	2	10.22	MACHINERY INDUSTRIAL/SPECIALTY	3	5	-5.26
MOBILE HOMES	3	0	10.17	COAL :BITUMINOUS	1	3	-5.43
HOTEL/MOTEL	2	1	9.09	NATURAL GAS PIPELINES	2	4	-5.61
POLLUTION CONTROL	3	2	8.99	AUTO PARTS-ORG. EQUIPMENT	1	5	-5.81
TEXTILE APPAREL MFRS.	3	3	8.80	BANKS(OUTSIDE NEW YORK CITY)	3	7	-6.16
RADIO BROADCASTERS	5	1	8.58	ROOFING & WALLBOARD	1	4	-6.38
PUBLISHING	5	2	8.23	SHOES	1	3	-6.78
LIFE INSURANCE	5	0	8.21	STEEL	1	7	-7.13
BEVERAGES : BREWERS	2	2	7.50	OIL WELL EQUIPMENT AND SERVICE	1	5	-7.63
COMMUNICATION EQUIP/MFRS	2	2	7.09	OIL: INTEGRATED INTERNATIONAL	1	5	-7.67
TRUCKERS	1	3	6.61	HEATING & PLUMBING	0	3	-9.12
BANKS(NEW YORK CITY)	4	2	5.04	PERSONAL LOANS	1	1	-9.28
FINANCIAL MISCELLANEOUS	1	2	3.55	OIL: CRUDE PRODUCERS	1	4	-9.75
TOBACCO	2	1	3.12	FOREST PRODUCTS	0	7	-11.70
ELECTRONIC MAJOR COS.	1	2	2.83	AUTO TRUCKS & PARTS	0	3	-11.83
CONGLOMERATES	5	3	2.27	AUTOMOBILE	0	4	-12.06
AUTO PARTS-AFTER MARKET	2	1	1.81	MACHINERY: CONSTRUCTION & MAT. H	1	4	-12.20
400 INDUSTRIALS	192	208	1.73	OIL: INTEGRATED DOMESTIC	1	8	-12.86
STANDARD & POORS 500	248	252	1.54	HOME BUILDING	1	2	-13.00
40 UTILITIES	24	16	1.51	COMPUTER SERVICES	0	4	-13.14
40 FINANCIAL	25	15	1.40	NATURAL GAS DISTRIBUTORS	2	6	-14.02
ELECTRONICS:(SEMICONDUCTORS/COMP	3	2	1.38	FERTILIZERS	0	4	-14.66
BEVERAGES : DISTILLERS	2	2	1.28	AIR FREIGHT	1	2	-17.32
MACHINE TOOLS	2	3	1.06	AGRICULTURAL MACHINERY	0	4	-19.02
RAILROADS	4	4	0.88	ALUMINUM	0	4	-19.77
RETAIL STORES(DRUG)	3	1	0.82	METALS MISCELLANEOUS	1	4	-19.91
OFFSHORE DRILLING	3	1	0.63	COPPER	0	3	-25.60
CEMENT	2	2	0.35	GOLD	0	3	-30.03
HOSPITAL MANAGEMENT COMPANIES	2	2	-0.32	SAVINGS & LOAN COMPANIES	0	3	-31.01

Dow-Jones Industrials (12:00 p.m.)	**809.93**
S& P Composite (12:00 p.m.)	**110.01**
Cumulative Index (3/4/82)	**1043.62**

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