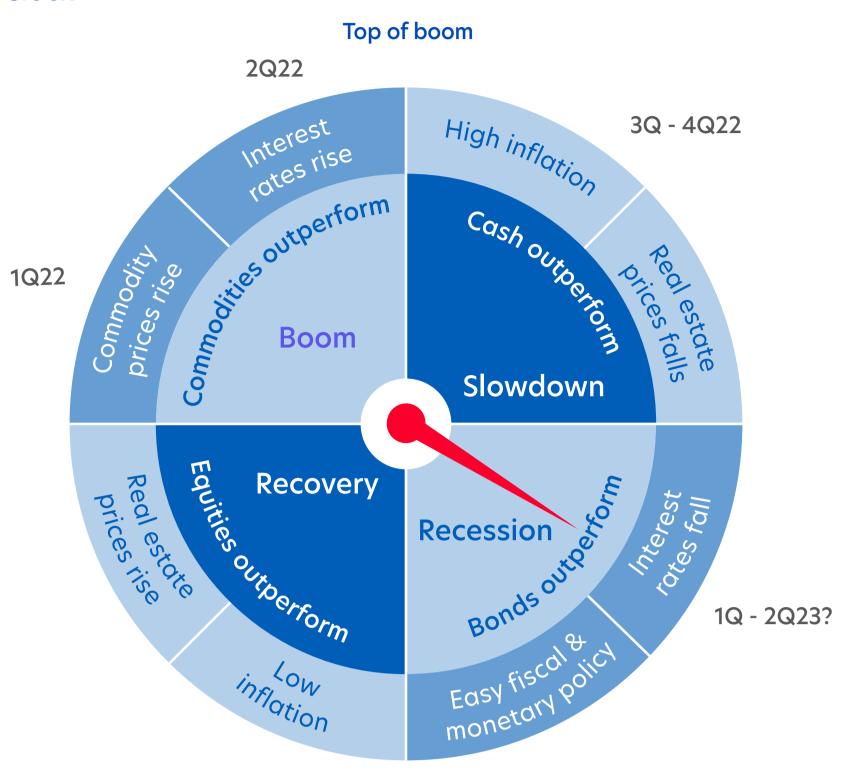


# Economic imbalances are improving

### Inflation is easing amid slowing growth

#### **UOBAM Investment Clock**

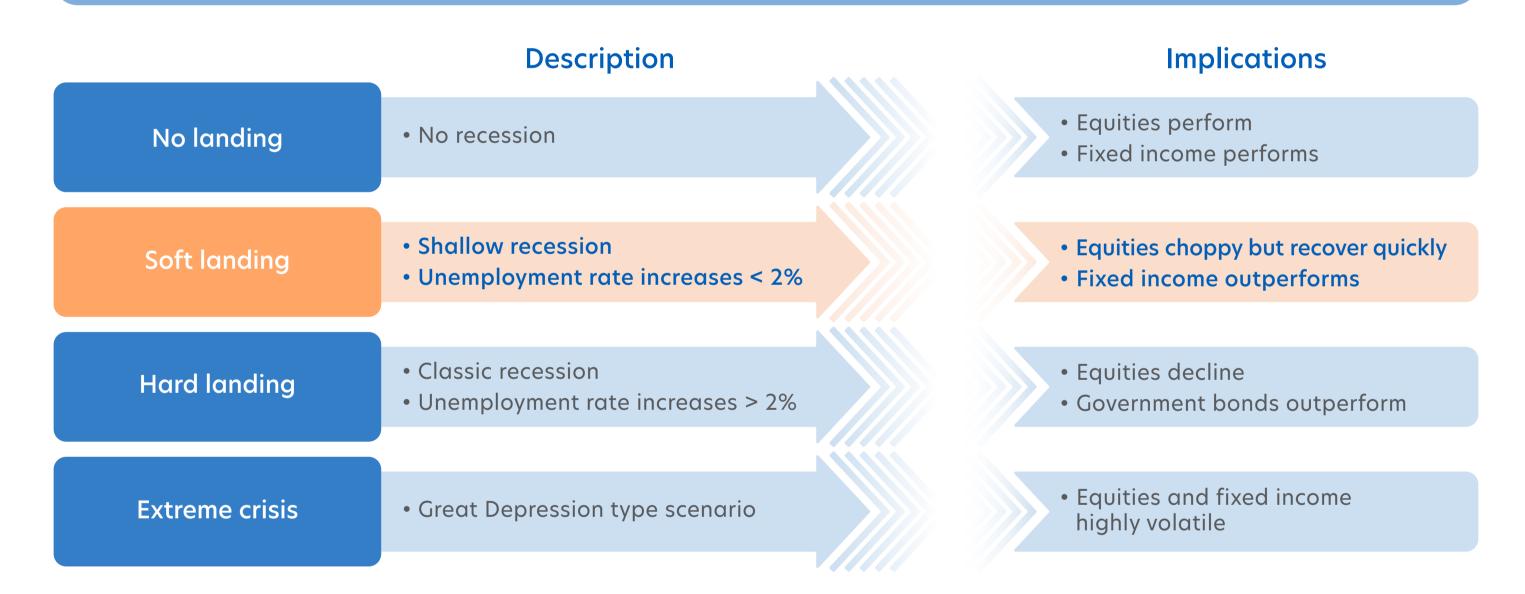


The UOBAM Investment Clock has proven highly accurate, albeit within a shorter timeframe than usual.

As we move towards the "Recession" quadrant of the cycle, we expect bonds to outperform.

## Of the 4 economic scenarios, our base case is a soft landing

**Bottom of bust** 



### We are positive on bonds, neutral on equities

In a shallow downturn, investment grade credit offers attractive risk-adjusted returns.

On the other hand, this will weigh on **equity market performance**, with developed markets likely to be hurt more.

| Global asset allocation                               |          | -        | N        | +        | + |
|---|----------|----------|----------|----------|---|
| Equities ————————————————————————————————————         |          | <u> </u> |          | 0        |   |
| - US equities ————————————————————————————————————    | <u> </u> | <u> </u> |          | <u> </u> |   |
| - European equities ——————                            | <u> </u> |          |          | <u> </u> |   |
| - Japan equities ———————————————————————————————————— |          |          | <u> </u> | <u> </u> |   |
| Asian ex Japan equities ————                          |          | <u> </u> | <u> </u> |          |   |
| Government bonds ——————                               |          | <u> </u> |          | •        |   |
| nvestment grade credits ————                          |          | <u> </u> | <u> </u> |          |   |
| High yield credits ——————                             |          |          | <u> </u> | <u> </u> |   |
| Real estate investment trusts ———                     |          | <u> </u> |          | <u> </u> |   |
| Commodities ————————————————————————————————————      | <u> </u> | <u> </u> |          | <u> </u> | ( |
| Alternatives (hedged strategies) —                    | <u> </u> | <u> </u> |          | 0        |   |
| Alternatives (private equity)                         |          | <u> </u> |          | 0        |   |
| Cash ————   |          |          |          |          |   |