



Technical Update

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Volatile change. The market indexes have been trading in a both-direction volatile fashion for the past two weeks where token new highs in the indexes are not following through to the upside but instead are being met by selling and volatility in what has often been a toppy pattern. Higher volatility in both directions after a big move in the market is a possible sign of an overall change in direction, and given the recent surge in the short-term bullish sentiment, we see the markets as being vulnerable to a pullback this month. December may have been statistically positive over the years, but that does not mean December is always up, and this year looks to us like it is set up to go against the general expectation.

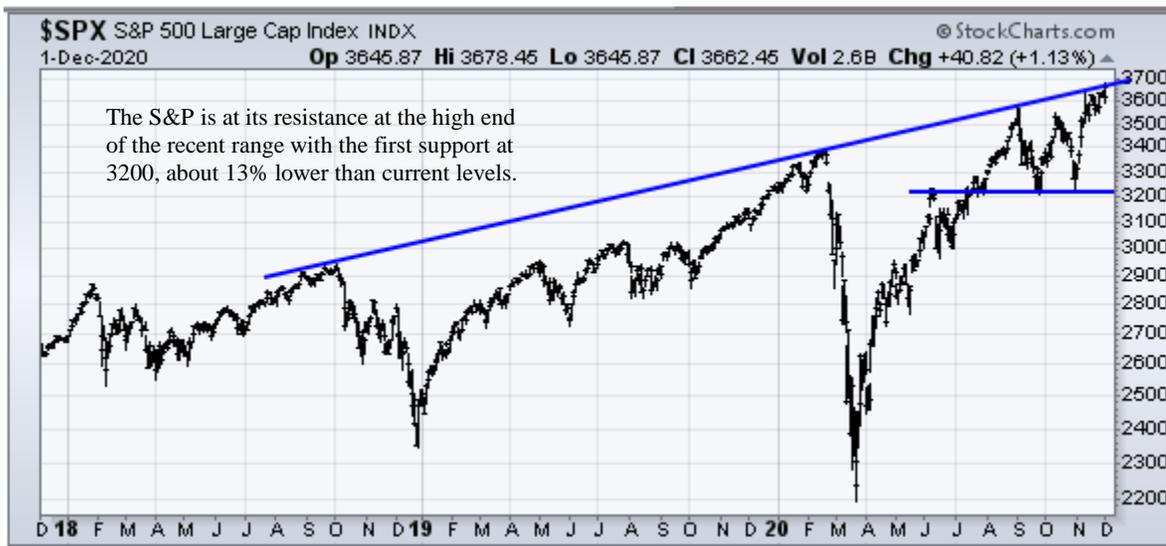


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