



Weekly Market Review February 9, 2015

News Headlines

- The Northeast braces for another round of winter weather while drought-stricken California should benefit from more heavy rain early this week.
- The G-20 meets this week in Istanbul to discuss coordinating action to spur economic activity as most of the world's economies suffer from sub-par growth.
- S&P downgraded Greece's credit rating from B to B- and warned of the narrowing window that Greece has to come to terms with creditors.

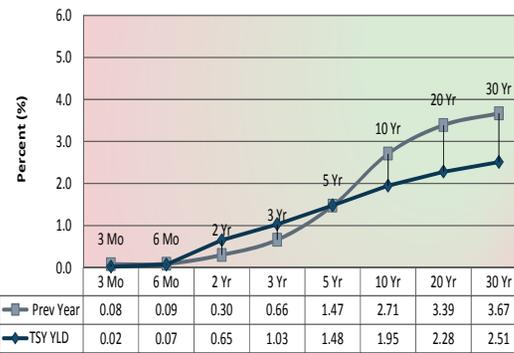
Economic News

- The US trade deficit jumped 17% to \$47B in December hitting its highest level since late 2012.
- US productivity fell unexpectedly in 2014Q3 at a 1.8% annual rate; economists had predicted a 0.5% rise.
- US jobless claims approach a 15-year low as initial claims for unemployment benefits dropped to a seasonally adjusted 265,000, exceeding economists expectations.
- US consumer borrowing spiked in December to \$14.8B which could indicate that spending will strengthen as job gains continue.

Key Commodity Prices

	Close	1 Yr Ago
Dom Crude Oil (bbl)-NYMEX	51.69	90.79
Natural Gas (MMBtu)	2.47	5.84
Gold (oz)	1241	1259
Platinum (oz)	1239	1379
Copper (lb)	2.60	3.27
Coffee (lb)	1.60	1.35
Cotton (lb)	0.61	0.86
Corn (bu)	3.66	4.30
Soybeans (bu)	9.61	13.24

Treasury Yield Curve



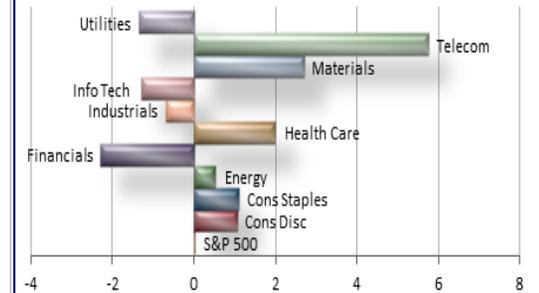
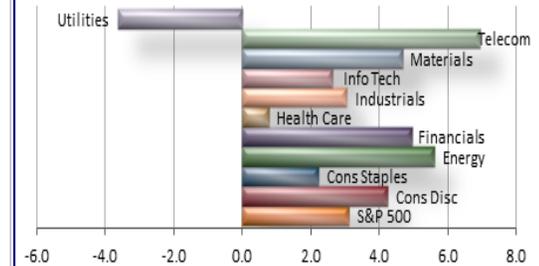
US\$ to buy Canadian Dollar	0.798
US\$ to buy Euro	1.132
US\$ to buy U.K. Pound	1.525
Yen to buy US\$	119.136

Russell Style Returns

	V	B	G
L	3.5	3.1	2.8
M	2.6	2.8	3.0
S	3.8	3.5	3.1

	V	B	G
L	-0.7	0.3	1.2
M	1.2	1.2	1.3
S	-0.5	0.1	0.8

S&P 500 Sector Returns



Consumer Money Rates

Interest Rate	YIELD / RATE (%)		
	Last	Wk Ago	1-Yr Ago
Federal-funds rate target	0-0.25	0-0.25	0-0.25
Prime rate*	3.25	3.25	3.25
Labor, 3-month	0.26	0.25	0.26
Money market, annual yield	0.42	0.42	0.41
Five-year CD, annual yield	1.45	1.46	1.33
30-year mortgage, fixed	3.78	3.75	4.39
15-year mortgage, fixed	3.04	3.10	3.44
Jumbo mortgages, \$417,000-plus	4.62	4.47	4.48
Five-year adj mortgage (ARM)	3.98	3.45	3.61
New-car loan, 48-month	2.94	2.94	2.91
Home-equity LOC, \$30,000	4.48	4.48	5.10

* Base rate posted by 70% of the nation's largest banks.

Major Markets Returns

Index	Closing Price	Tot Ret % - 1 Wk	Tot Ret % - YTD	Tot Ret % - 1 Yr	Tot Ret % - 5 Yr
US Equities					
Dow Jones	17,824	3.93	0.21	16.73	15.16
S&P 500	2,055	3.12	0.02	18.29	16.47
NASDAQ	4,744	2.43	0.29	18.33	18.61
Foreign and REIT					
MSCI EAFE NR		1.66	2.16	1.52	7.59
MSCI EM NR		1.80	2.41	7.87	4.25
FTSE Nareit - All REITS		-1.26	4.27	28.34	18.79
Bonds					
BarCap Agg Bond		-1.00	1.07	5.62	4.29
Citi Treasury 3 Mo T-Bill		0.00	0.00	0.03	0.07
BarCap US High Yield		0.98	1.65	3.35	9.25
BarCap US TIPS		-1.33	1.77	3.59	4.17
ML Global Broad Mrkt		-0.68	-0.71	-0.88	2.63

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