



Weekly Market Review March 30, 2015

News Headlines

- Investigators examine the background of the pilot that crashed the Germanwings Airbus 320 in the French alps as questions have arisen regarding his mental health.
- The Asian Development Bank predicts that India's economy is likely to grow 7.8% next year and 8.2% the year after that.
- Germany's Chancellor Merkel and Greece's PM Tsipras met in Berlin last week to discuss Greece's ongoing financial crisis and ways to keep them in the Eurozone.

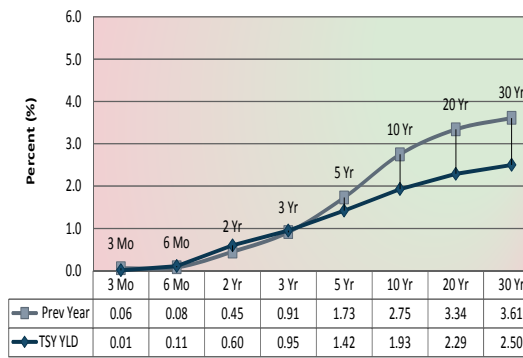
Economic News

- US CPI was up 0.2% in February as gasoline prices increased for the first time since June 2014.
- The Eurozone's manufacturing and service sector growth index had its best reading in nearly 4 years, climbing to 51.4.
- Weekly jobless claims dropped by 9,000 to 282,000.
- US Crude inventories hit new record levels last week.

Key Commodity Prices

| | Close | 1 Yr Ago |
|---------------------------|-------|----------|
| Dom Crude Oil (bbl)-NYMEX | 48.87 | 91.25 |
| Natural Gas (MMBtu) | 2.56 | 4.40 |
| Gold (oz) | 1196 | 1295 |
| Platinum (oz) | 1138 | 1401 |
| Copper (lb) | 2.78 | 3.06 |
| Coffee (lb) | 1.39 | 1.72 |
| Cotton (lb) | 0.62 | 0.90 |
| Corn (bu) | 3.76 | 4.73 |
| Soybeans (bu) | 9.57 | 14.32 |

Treasury Yield Curve



Key Currency Exchange Rates

| | |
|-----------------------------|---------|
| US\$ to buy Canadian Dollar | 0.793 |
| US\$ to buy Euro | 1.089 |
| US\$ to buy U.K. Pound | 1.488 |
| Yen to buy US\$ | 119.140 |

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 | 0.27 | 0.26 | 0.27 |
| Money market, annual yield | 0.42 | 0.42 | 0.41 |
| Five-year CD, annual yield | 1.49 | 1.49 | 1.36 |
| 30-year mortgage, fixed | 3.86 | 3.84 | 4.44 |
| 15-year mortgage, fixed | 3.22 | 3.15 | 3.50 |
| Jumbo mortgages, \$417,000-plus | 4.38 | 4.40 | 4.76 |
| Five-year adj mortgage (ARM) | 3.47 | 3.45 | 3.67 |
| New-car loan, 48-month | 2.97 | 3.04 | 3.01 |
| Home-equity LOC, \$30,000 | 4.26 | 4.26 | 5.04 |

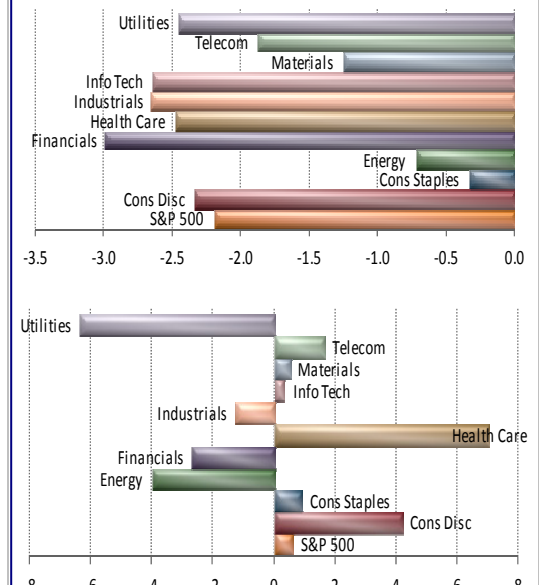
* Base rate posted by 70% of the nation's largest banks.

Russell Style Returns

| | V | B | G |
|---|------|------|------|
| L | -2.2 | -2.2 | -2.2 |
| M | -2.2 | -2.0 | -1.8 |
| S | -1.7 | -2.0 | -2.3 |

| | V | B | G |
|---|------|-----|-----|
| L | -1.3 | 1.2 | 3.6 |
| M | 1.6 | 3.3 | 4.9 |
| S | 0.9 | 3.3 | 5.6 |

S&P 500 Sector Returns



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 | 17,713 | -2.29 | -0.05 | 11.46 | 13.16 |
| S&P 500 | 2,061 | -2.20 | 0.60 | 13.76 | 14.45 |
| NASDAQ | 4,891 | -2.67 | 3.56 | 19.22 | 16.69 |
| Foreign and REIT | | | | | |
| MSCI EAFE NR | | -0.73 | 6.04 | 1.39 | 6.60 |
| MSCI EM NR | | -1.11 | 0.50 | 0.70 | 1.75 |
| FTSE Nareit - All REITS | | -2.79 | 3.72 | 23.11 | 15.16 |
| Bonds | | | | | |
| BarCap Agg Bond | | 0.01 | 1.49 | 5.41 | 4.41 |
| Citi Treasury 3 Mo T-Bill | | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.03 | 0.07 |
| BarCap US High Yield | | 0.28 | 2.36 | 1.97 | 8.58 |
| BarCap US TIPS | | -0.11 | 1.52 | 2.88 | 4.42 |
| ML Global Broad Mrkt | | 0.21 | -1.33 | -2.60 | 2.70 |

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Market Returns: All return data represents total return including capital appreciation and reinvestment of dividends.

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