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News Headlines

- Tensions between the U.S. and North Korea continue to intensify after North Korea's failed missile launch on Saturday. Today North Korea hints of an impending nuclear weapons test.
- President Donald Trump proposed multiple tax cuts for both corporations and for individuals.
- The White House announced that the U.S. will not terminate the NAFTA trade agreement at this time and has decided to renegotiate with world leaders.

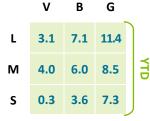
Economic News

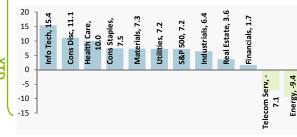
- The Eurostat reported that the Eurozone's 2016Q4 deficit dropped to 1.4%, the lowest level since 2008.
- China's National Bureau Statistics reported a spike in combined industrial profits, up 23.8% in March year-overyear.
- The U.S. GDP grew at an annual rate of 0.7% in Q1, the slowest growth in 3 years.

Key Commodity Prices

	Close	1 yr Ago
Dom Crude Oil (bbl)-NYMEX	49.33	48.95
Natural Gas (MMBtu)	2.92	1.85
Gold (oz)	1268	1302
Platinum (oz)	948	1069
Copper (lb)	2.60	2.28
Coffee (lb)	1.28	1.26
Cotton (lb)	0.77	0.64
Corn (bu)	3.38	3.75
Soybeans (bu)	9.15	9.97

Equity Style Returns S&P 500 Sector Returns Cons Disc, 2.1 1 2.0 0.9 1.5 Week Telecom Serv, -1.5 Real Estate, -2.0 0.9 1.5 -1 М 0.4 -2 1.0 1.5 2.1





Fixed Income Returns

Short

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Int	Long		US
-0.2	-0.3		US
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0.6	0.9		

	Short	Int	Long	
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Key Currency Exchange Rates

US\$ to buy Canadian Dollar	0.732
US\$ to buy Euro	1.090
US\$ to buy U.K. Pound	1.295
Yen to buy US\$	111.539
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Treasury Yield Curve



Major Market Returns

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US Equities	Closing	1 WK	YTD	1 Year	5 Year
Dow Jones	20,941	1.91	6.71	20.90	12.44
S&P 500	2,384	1.53	7.16	17.92	13.68
NASDAQ	6,048	2.33	12.71	28.18	16.14
Foreign & REIT	•	1 WK	YTD	1 Year	5 Year
MSCI EAFE NR		3.09	9.97	11.29	6.78
MSCI EM NR		1.73	13.88	19.13	1.49
FTSE Nareit - AL	L REITS	-2.18	3.49	8.65	9.95
Bonds		1 WK	YTD	1 Year	5 Year
BBgBarc Agg Bor	nd	-0.16	1.59	0.83	2.27
Citi Treasury 3 M	1o T-Bill	0.04	0.12	0.34	0.11
BBgBarc US High	Yield	0.66	3.89	13.30	6.84
BBgBarc US TIPS		0.27	1.86	1.73	0.69
ML Global Broad	l Mrkt	-0.01	2.69	-1.98	0.56

Consumer Money Rates

Interest Rate	Last	Wk Ago	1 Yr Ago
Federal-funds rate target	0.75-1.00	0.75-1.00	0.25-0.50
Prime rate*	4.00	4.00	3.50
Libor, 3-month	1.17	1.15	0.64
Money market, annual yield	0.30	0.32	0.25
Five-year CD, annual yield	1.31	1.31	1.26
30-year mortgage, fixed	4.04	3.98	3.64
15-year mortgage, fixed	3.24	3.18	2.87
Jumbo mortgages, \$417,000-plus	4.59	4.53	4.27
Five-year adj mortage (ARM)	3.28	3.21	3.31
New-car loan, 48-month	3.11	3.11	3.21
Home-equity LOC, \$30,000	4.93	4.88	4.83

^{*} Base rate posted by 70% of the nation's largest banks

All information is as of the most recent price available as of the prior week's market close. Please see disclosure notes on the following page; this document is to be forwarded only in its entirety.



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