

Chart of the Week



Weekly Highlights

- **Domestic stocks ended the week higher,** as investors reacted positively to a Friday jobs report. After reaching record highs in April, stocks began to move lower last week, and continued to fall this week. However, a jobs report that was positive, but not too positive, will hold off the Fed from raising rates.
- World markets closed the week slightly higher. European markets fell to a two-month low during the week, as investors began to shy away on the Euro moving to a two-month high. While Asian markets have managed to rally throughout the year, this week the rally slowed down on concerns that it was overdone, and that U.S. Dollar denominated debt could stress recent growth.
- U.S. Treasury yields hit five-month high. Pressure from competing corporate bond sales from the likes of Apple, alongside a global slide in government bond market, pushed yields higher.
- **Commodity indices closed mixed,** with the oil complex peaking for the year as protests disrupted exports for Libya. Whereas metals pared back on a stronger U.S. Dollar, as well as lower jobless claims.

Talking Points

- Among equities, large caps underperformed small caps, and value stocks outperformed growth oriented issues. Domestic stocks underperformed international equities. Developed markets outperformed emerging market stocks. Overall, markets closed slightly higher, ignoring negative data early in the week, and rebounding on Friday's job report.
- Treasury prices moved to five month highs. Long maturity instruments posted the largest gains.
- Commodity indices were mixed, with energy gaining and metals losing.
- The dollar index rallied this week against a basket of six major currencies.
- Among economic data released this week, Factory Orders rose as expected; Productivity fell 1.9% on higher labor Costs; International Trade deficit came in much higherthan-expected, moving to a March trade deficit of \$51.4 billion, the largest since October 2008; Additionally, domestic private employers added 169,000 jobs last month, the fewest since January 2014; jobless claims fell to the lowest level in fifteen years, as well as an April jobs report that was better than expectations, but still low.

MARKET DASHBOARD

	Last Price	Change	% Chg.	YTD %
S&P 500	2,116.09	6.07	0.29%	2.7%
Dow Industrials	18,191.11	161.41	0.90%	2.0%
Nasdaq	5,003.55	-3.31	-0.07%	5.6%
Russell 2000	1,234.93	7.40	0.60%	2.6%
Euro Stoxx Index	400.16	5.50	1.39%	16.8%
Shanghai Composite	4,205.92	-235.74	-5.31%	30.0%
Russell Global	1,821.80	4.45	0.24%	5.4%

Source: Bloomberg; Index % change is based on price.



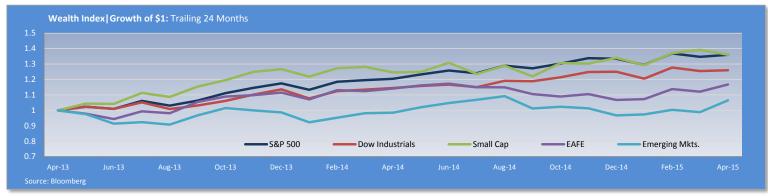
	% Wgt in	Week %	
	S&P 500	Chg.	YTD % Chg.
Consumer Discretionary	12.5	0.27%	6.0%
Consumer Staples	9.5	0.6 <mark>9%</mark>	1.0%
Energy	8.3	1.19%	1.9%
Financials	16.3	1.54%	-0.1%
Health Care	14.7	0.98%	7.1%
Industrials	10.3	0.41%	0.1%
Information Technology	19.9	0 .28%	3.7%
Materials	3.3	0.58%	5.9%
Telecom Services	2.3	-1.58%	3.0%
Utilities	2.9	1.06%	-6.9%

Source: Bloomberg

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Russell Global EM	3,189.22	-68.80	-2.11%	7.0%
10-Year US Treas.	2.15	3 bps	NM	NM
DJ UBS Comm. ldx.	104.10	0.70	0.68%	-0.2%
Gold	\$1,188.50	\$10.11	0.86%	0.4%
Crude Oil	\$59.46	\$0.21	0.36%	6.7%
Dollar Index	94.80	-0.55	-0.58%	5.0%
VIX Index	12.86	0.19	1.50%	-32.9%

	One Week				YTD				
	Value		Growth		Value		Growth		
L	0.47%	0.30%	0.15%		0.32%	2.75%	5.16%		
	0.24%	0.23%	0.23%		1.77%	3.78%	5.66%		
S	0.26%	0.60%	0.92%		-0.18%	2.56%	5.27%		
	Source: B	loomberg							





THE ECONOMY AND MARKETS

A Macro View – Are Corporate Buy-backs Bolstering the Market?

First quarter data was less than upbeat, and April data showed signs of an economic soft patch. The first week of May was no different, with productivity falling, labor costs rising, and employers adding the fewest amount of jobs since January 2014. Adding to negative sentiment, on Wednesday for the opening session of the "Finance and Society" conference in Washington, Janet Yellen, the Chair of the Federal Reserve, stated "that equity market valuations at this point generally are quite high" and that "[t]here are potential dangers there." All this negativity begs the question - why have equity indexes moved to historical highs over the last month?

While there is speculation that central banks' easing efforts are artificially inflating stock values, there is also speculation that the recent increase in share buy-backs could be doing the same. In fact, the topic has not only drawn attention in the financial media, but also drawn attention in Congress, with Senator Tammy Baldwin and Senator Elizabeth Warren criticizing SEC rules which allow companies to repurchase their own shares. According to data provider FactSet, last year alone roughly 72% of the S&P 500 repurchased equity shares; and since the financial crisis companies have spent more than \$2.5 trillion to repurchase their own stock. Goldman Sachs Group Inc. projects that there will be an 18% increase in buybacks in 2015, and that this along with a 7% increase in dividends in 2015 will equate to "\$1 trillion of cash to investors this year" (David Kostin, chief U.S. equity strategist at Goldman Sachs).

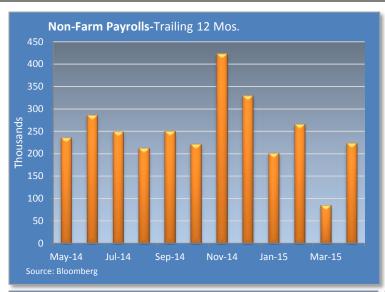
Just as dividends are paid with company cash, equity shares are repurchased using a company's own cash. It is for this reason that both are considered a way of distributing earnings to shareholders. However, buy-backs are scrutinized because they can influence stock valuations. That is, share repurchases reduces the number of shares outstanding, which typically increases earnings per share (EPS). However, many forget that this will reduce interest income and earnings. Furthermore, if a firm does not use cash, but rather debt financing, interest charges are incurred, and unless the borrowing rate is lower than the weighted average cost of capital (WACC), EPS will fall. Additionally, buy-backs can influence a firm's book value. That is, book value per share (BVPS) will decrease if the repurchase price is greater than the firms original BVPS and vice versa. Additionally, worries are also fueled that executives can benefit from buy-backs, as compensation can be tied to stock price or valuations metrics. This could influence an executive to choose a buy-back over a dividend. Overall the concern is that an increase in EPS can in turn raise share prices, and to answer the original question, could prop-up the broad market given the large amount of companies utilizing buy-backs.

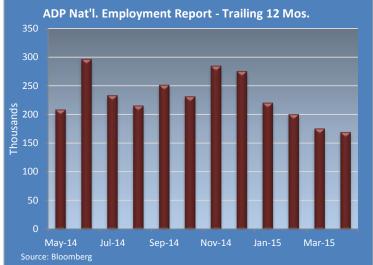
Outside of valuations, investors are also concerned that equity share repurchases artificially inflate, or hold up the stock price itself. While equity shares can be repurchased through tender offer, direct negotiation or on the open market, the latter is more widely used, and is of the most concern to investors. The reason open market repurchases are more widely used it that the SEC instituted Rule 10b-18 of the Securities Exchange Act in 1982, which allows a corporation's Board of Directors to authorize repurchases up to a certain amount over time. This gives flexibility to the corporation's treasury department, to determine the purchases timing and the purchases price. While there are restraints (the amount cannot exceed 25% of the previous four weeks' average daily trading volume), companies only disclose total quarterly repurchases, and therefore it's hard to determine if a company has surpassed this limitation. Furthermore, with the corporation's ability to dictate purchase price, stock prices can be lifted, or even a floor created (also known as support level), with Goldman Sachs expressing concerns that this "could fuel an extended rally."

As the S&P 500 Index continues to trade over 2,000, investors will continue to debate why. As previously mentioned, there is speculation that central banks' easing efforts are artificially inflating stock values, or that the recent increase in share buybacks could be doing the same. It is evident that buybacks continue to be a popular source of cash distribution to shareholders, reaching levels not seen since before the financial crisis. We suspect the financial media and the Senate will continue to debate the effects equity stock repurchases have on valuations of stocks, stock prices and the overall market.

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THIS WEEK IN THE ECONOMY AND MARKETS









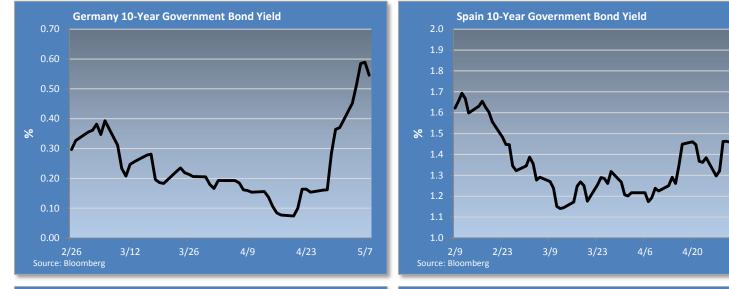


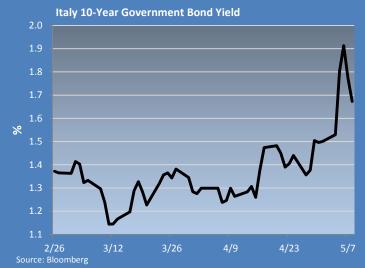


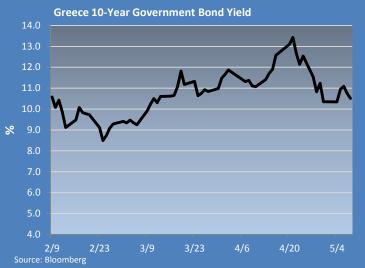
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	SELECTED EUROPEAN SOVEREIGN YIELD PERFORMANCE											
	Last	Change	% Chg.	YTD %		Last	Change	% Chg.	YTD %			
Germany 10-Yr. Govt.	0.55	-17 bps	NM	NM	France 10-Yr. Govt.	0.83	-18 bps	NM	NM			
Greece 10-Yr. Govt.	10.51	-7 bps	NM	NM	Ireland 10-Yr. Govt.	1.19	-34 bps	NM	NM			
Italy 10-Yr. Govt.	1.67	-16 bps	NM	NM	Portugal 10-Yr. Govt.	2.26	-19 bps	NM	NM			
Spain 10-Yr. Govt.	1.66	-18 bps	NM	NM	Netherlands 10-Yr. Govt.	0.72	-21 bps	NM	NM			
Belgium 10-Yr. Govt.	0.82	-18 bps	NM	NM	U.K. 10-Yr. Govt.	1.88	-4 bps	NM	NM			
Source: Bloomberg												

Basis points (bps)





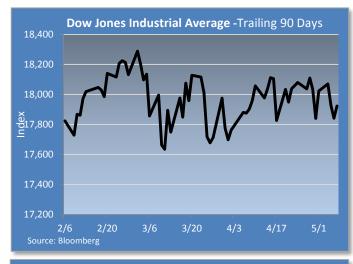


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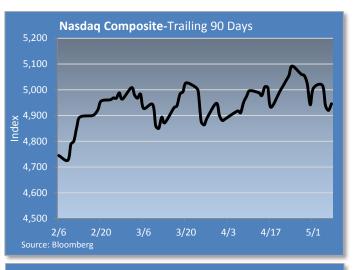
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S&P/TSX (Canada)	15,170.02	-167.01	-1.09%	3.69%			
Mexico IPC	45,125.95	499.74	1.12%	4.49%			
Brazil Bovespa	57,149.33	896.21	1.59%	14.23%			
Euro Stoxx 600	400.16	5.50	1.39%	16.82%			
FTSE 100	7,046.82	60.87	0.87%	7.32%			
IBEX 35 (Spain)	11,424.70	39.70	0.35%	11.14%			

E1	PERFORMANCE				
		Last	Change	% Chg.	YTD %
	Swiss Market Index	9,093.33	16.21	0.18%	1.22%
	CAC 40 Index (France)	5,090.39	43.90	0.87%	19.14%
	DAX Index (Germany)	11,709.73	255.35	2.23%	19.42%
	Irish Overall Index	6,229.62	162.54	2.68%	19.24%
	Nikkei 225	19,379.19	-604.13	-3.02%	11.05%
	Hang Seng Index	27,577.34	-555.66	-1.98%	16.83%
	Shanghai Composite	4,205.92	-235.74	-5.31%	30.03%
	Kospi Index (S. Korea)	2,085.52	-57.11	-2.67%	8.87%
	Taiwan Taiex Index	9,692.00	-128.05	-1.30%	4.13%
	Tel Aviv 25 Index	1,632.78	-12.07	-0.73%	11.45%
	MICEX Index (Russia)	1,708.52	20.18	1.20%	22.33%

Source: Bloomberg; Index % change is based on price.









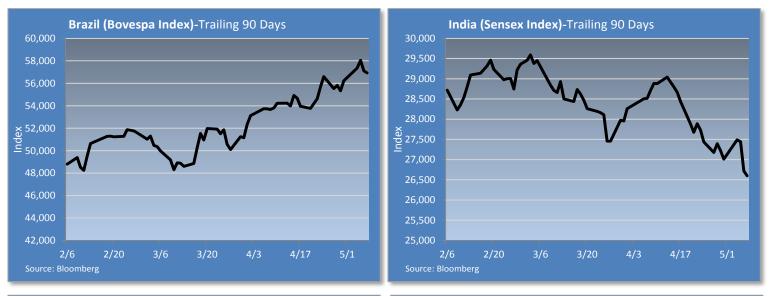
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EMERGING AND FRONTIER MARKET PERFORMANCE

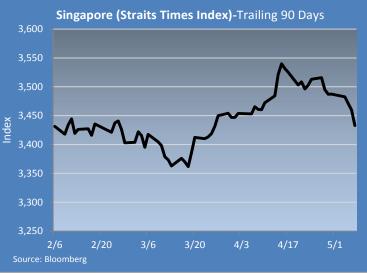
	Last	Change	% Chg.	YTD %	
Mexico IPC	45,110.73	499.74	1.1%	4.5%	
Brazil (Bovespa Index)	57,152.16	896.21	1.6%	14.2%	
MICEX Index (Russia)	1,708.52	20.18	1.2%	22.3%	
Czech Republic (Prague)	1,028.05	2.04	0.2%	8.6%	
Turkey (Istanbul)	84,059.89	112.85	0.1%	-1.9%	
Egypt (Hermes Index)	790.17	1.65	0.2%	-5.2%	
Kenya (Nairobi 20 Index)	5,070.75	-20.68	-0.4%	-0.8%	
Saudi Arabia (TASI Index)	9,717.90	-116.59	-1.2%	16.6%	
Lebanon (Beirut BLOM Index)	1,190.03	-4.02	-0.3%	1.7%	
Palestine	483.41	-0.63	-0.1%	-3.9%	

	Last	Change	% Chg.	YTD %								
Hang Seng Index	27,577.34	-555.66	-2.0%	16.8%								
India (Sensex 30)	27,105.39	94.08	0.3%	-1.4%								
Malaysia (KLCI Index)	1,807.65	-35.28	-1.9%	2.6%								
Singapore (Straits Times Index)	3,452.01	-35.38	-1.0%	2.6%								
Thailand (SET Index)	1,510.51	-21.02	-1.4%	0.9%								
Indonesia (Jakarta)	5,182.21	95.79	1.9%	-0.9%								
Pakistan (Karachi KSE 100)	33,530.30	-199.66	-0.6%	4.4%								
Vietnam (Ho Chi Minh)	554.51	-7.89	-1.4%	1.6%								
Sri Lanka (Colombo)	7,212.47	39.10	0.5%	-1.2%								
Cambodia (Laos)	1,455.25	-6.94	-0.5%	2.9%								

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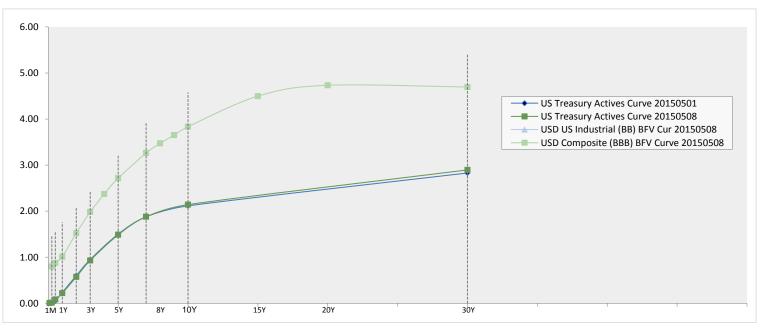




INTEREST RATES

SELECTED INTEREST RATES											
	Last	Change	% Chg.	YTD %		Last	Change	% Chg.	YTD 9		
2-Yr. U.S. Treasury	0.57%	1 bps	NM	NM	Prime Rate	3.25%	0.00	NM	NM		
5-Yr. U.S. Treasury	1.50%	-1 bps	NM	NM	Fed Funds Rate	0.25%	0.00	NM	NM		
10-Yr. U.S. Treasury	2.15%	3 bps	NM	NM	Discount Rate	0.75%	0.00	NM	NM		
30-Yr. U.S. Treasury	2.90%	7 bps	NM	NM	LIBOR (3 Mo.)	0.28%	0 bps	NM	NM		
German 10-Yr. Govt.	0.55%	-17 bps	NM	NM	Bond Buyer 40 Muni	4.04%	6 bps	NM	NM		
France 10-Yr.	0.83%	-18 bps	NM	NM	Bond Buyer 40 G.O.	3.74%	NA	NM	NM		
Italy 10-Yr.	1.67%	-16 bps	NM	NM	Bond Buyer 40 Rev.	4.47%	NA	NM	NM		
Fed 5-Yr Fwd BE Inf.	2.06%	-2 bps	NM	NM							

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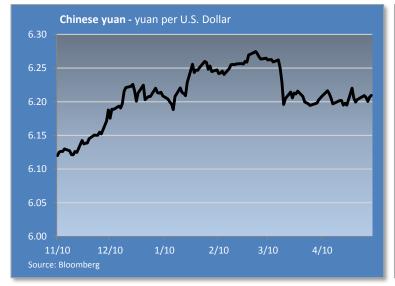
	Last	Change	% Chg.	YTD %					
Dollar Index	94.78	-0.552	-0.58%	4.96%					
Euro	1.12	0.001	0.06%	-7.37%					
Japanese Yen	119.74	-0.400	0.33%	0.03%					
British Pound	1.54	0.031	2.02%	-0.79%					
Canadian Dollar	1.21	-0.007	0.56%	-3.89%					

SELECTED CURRENCY PERFORMANCE

	Last	Change	% Chg.	YTD %
Chinese Yuan	6.21	0.006	-0.10%	-0.06%
Swiss Franc	0.93	-0.001	0.09%	6.73%
New Zealand Dollar	0.75	-0.005	-0.72%	-4.07%
Brazilian Real	2.98	-0.032	1.07%	-10.89%
Mexican Peso	15.14	-0.409	2.70%	-2.52%

Source: Bloomberg









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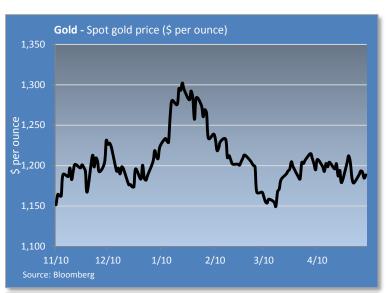
COMMODITIES

SELECTED COMMODITY MARKET PERFORMANCE													
	Last	Change	% Chg.	YTD %		Last	Change	% Chg.	YTD %				
DJ UBS Comm. ldx.	104.10	0.70	0.68%	-0.22%	Platinum Spot	\$1,141.75	\$10.27	0.91%	-5.45%				
Rogers Int. Comm. Idx.	2719.11	-5.25	-0.19%	-2.63%	Corn	363.00	0.00	0.00%	-12.00%				
Crude Oil	\$59.40	\$0.21	0.36%	6.67%	Wheat	481.50	7.50	1.58%	-19.41%				
Natural Gas	\$2.86	\$0.09	3.21%	-2.98%	Soybeans	976.25	11.50	1.19%	-5.86%				
Gasoline (\$/Gal.)	\$2.66	\$0.05	2.00%	18.71%	Sugar	13.42	0.51	3.95%	-12.00%				
Heating Oil	195.78	-2.68	-1.35%	7.77%	Orange Juice	118.90	-0.55	-0.46%	-16.24%				
Gold Spot	\$1,188.44	\$10.11	0.86%	0.35%	Aluminum	1,883.00	-27.00	-1.41%	1.65%				
Silver Spot	\$16.49	\$0.34	2.11%	4.99%	Copper	6,400.00	0.00	0.00%	1.59%				

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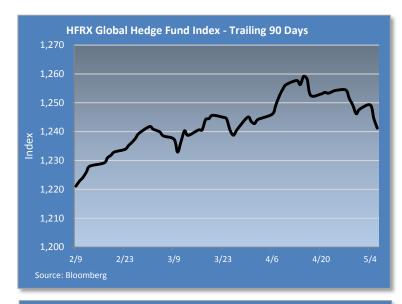




	Last	Change	% Chg.	YTD %	ESTIVIENT INDEX PERFORMANCE	Last	Change	% Chg.	YTD %
HFRX Global Hedge Fund Index	1247.79	-6.59	-0.53%	1.87%	HFRX Distressed Index	1028.07	0.17	0.02%	2.01%
HFRX Equity Market Neutral	988.37	-1.43	-0.14%	0.31%	HFRX Merger Arbitrage Index	1655.22	0.04	0.00%	3.25%
HFRX Equity Hedge Index	1214.31	-9.76	-0.80%	2.74%	HFRX Convertible Arbitrage Index	723.34	1.56	0.22%	3.12%
HFRX Event-Driven Index	1543.00	-7.10	-0.46%	1.80%	HFRX Macro CTA Index	1200.74	-11.21	-0.93%	-0.22%
HFRX Absolute Return Index	1015.40	1.96	0.19%	1.87%	IQ Fixed Income Beta Arb Index	1389.49	-1.77	-0.13%	0.12%

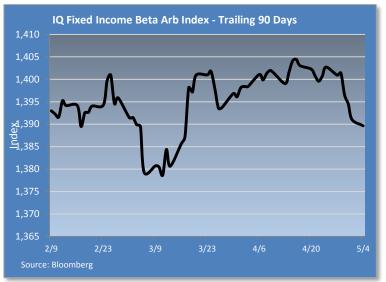
SELECTED ALTERNATIVE INVESTMENT INDEX PERFORMANCE

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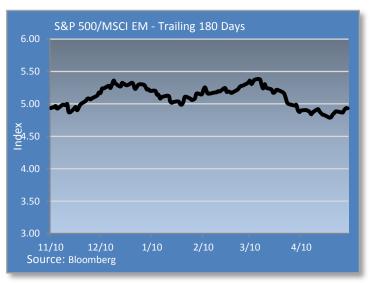


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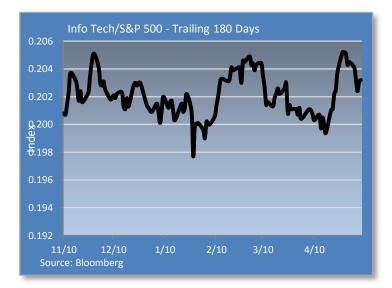


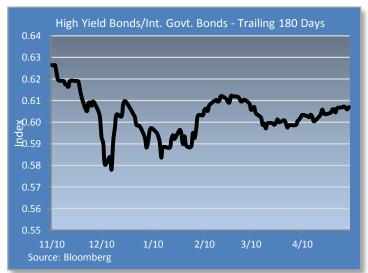






PORTFOLIO CONSTRUCTION (cont'd.)









			2/19	2/26	3/5	3/12	3/19	3/26	4/2	4/9	4/16	4/23	4/30	5/7
Domestic Equity Equity Int'l. Equity	Large Cap (R200)	0.40%	0.70%	-0.49 <mark>%</mark>	-1.79%	1.07%	-153%	0.33%	.24%	0.80%	0.42%	-1.01%	0.08%	
	Small Cap (R2000)	0.96%	0.91%	-0.39%	0.19%	1.47%	-1 82%	1.92%	0.27%	1.10%	-0.11%	-4.04%	0.44%	
	MSCI EAFE	2.25%	0.91%	-0.81%	-2.34%	1.60%	1.27%	-0.22%	1.36%	0.87%	0.21%	0.11%	-1.32%	
	MSCI Em. Mkts.	1.43%	0.89%	-1.94%	-2.67%	1.73%	-0 <mark>26%</mark>	3.16%	3.60%	2.30%	0.16%	-0.58%	-2.18%	
		BarCap Agg. (AGG)	-0.32%	0.35%	-0.45 <mark>%</mark>	0.12%	0.39%	0.05%	0.36%	-0.16%	0.30%	-0.24%	-0.40%	-0.84%
Fixed Income	High Yield (JNK)	0.36%	0.66%	-0.73%	-0.48%	-1 02%	0.77%	0.00%	0.54%	0.43%	0.00%	-0.23%	-0.63%	
Comm	nodities	DJ UBS Index	0.20%	-1.08%	-0.40%	-2.66%	-1 02%	3.12%	-1.34%	-0.89%	3.56%	-0.68%	2.10%	-0.62%
Alter	natives	Hedge Funds (HFRX Global)	0.47%	0.48%	0.18%	0.04%	0.34%	-0 46%	0.44%	0.84%	0.27%	-0.34%	-0.60%	-0.40%
Asset Allocation		60/40*	0.53%	0.64%	-0.60%	-0.99%	0.88%	-0 41%	0.54%	0.75%	0.72%	0.07%	-0.87%	-0.57%
		48/32/20 (w/Alts.)**	0.52%	0.61%	-0.44%	-0.78%	0.77%	-0 42%	0.52%	0.77%	0.63%	-0.01%	-0.82%	-0.53%

WEEKLY ASSET CLASS PERFORMANCE (Prior 12 weeks ending Thursday)

Source: Bloomberg; *60/40 portfolio = 30% Large Cap/10% Small Cap/15% EAFE/5% Emerging Markets/35% BarCap Agg./5% High Yield. **48/32/20 portfolio = 24% Large Cap/8% Small Cap/12% EAFE/4% Emerging Markets/28% BarCap Agg./4% High Yield/20% HFRX Global Index.

RELATIVE STRENGTH MATRIX (BASED ON 30-DAY RSI)

	Large Cap	Large Cap	Large Cap	Mid Cap	Mid Cap	Mid Cap	Small Cap	Small Cap	Small Cap	, Int'l.	Emerging				
	Core	Growth	Value	Core	Growth	Value	Core	Growth	Value	Developed	Markets	REITs	Comm.	Int. Bond	High Yield
Large Cap Core	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.04	1.02	1.07	1.07	1.05	1.10	0.97	0.95	1.20	0.97	1.23	1.09
Large Cap Growth	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.04	1.02	1.07	1.07	1.05	1.10	0.97	0.95	1.20	0.97	1.23	1.09
Large Cap Value	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.04	1.02	1.07	1.07	1.05	1.10	0.97	0.95	1.20	0.97	1.23	1.09
Mid Cap Core	0.96	0.96	0.96	1.00	0.98	1.02	1.03	1.01	1.06	0.93	0.91	1.15	0.93	1.18	1.04
Mid Cap Growth	0.98	0.98	0.98	1.02	1.00	1.05	1.05	1.03	1.08	0.95	0.93	1.18	0.95	1.20	1.06
Mid Cap Value	0.94	0.94	0.94	0.98	0.96	1.00	1.00	0.98	1.03	0.91	0.89	1.13	0.91	1.15	1.02
Small Cap Core	0.93	0.93	0.93	0.97	0.95	1.00	1.00	0.98	1.03	0.91	0.89	1.12	0.91	1.15	1.01
Small Cap Growth	0.95	0.95	0.95	0.99	0.97	1.02	1.02	1.00	1.05	0.93	0.91	1.15	0.93	1.17	1.03
Small Cap Value	0.91	0.91	0.91	0.95	0.93	0.97	0.97	0.95	1.00	0.88	0.87	1.09	0.88	1.12	0.99
Int'l. Developed	1.03	1.03	1.03	1.07	1.05	1.10	1.10	1.08	1.13	1.00	0.98	1.24	1.00	1.26	1.11
Emerging Markets	1.05	1.05	1.05	1.09	1.07	1.12	1.13	1.10	1.16	1.02	1.00	1.26	1.02	1.29	1.14
REITs	0.83	0.83	0.83	0.87	0.85	0.89	0.89	0.87	0.92	0.81	0.79	1.00	0.81	1.02	0.90
Commodities	1.03	1.03	1.03	1.07	1.05	1.10	1.10	1.08	1.13	1.00	0.98	1.24	1.00	1.26	1.12
Int. Bond	0.81	0.81	0.81	0.85	0.83	0.87	0.87	0.85	0.90	0.79	0.78	0.98	0.79	1.00	0.88
High Yield	0.92	0.92	0.92	0.96	0.94	0.98	0.99	0.97	1.01	0.90	0.88	1.11	0.90	1.13	1.00

Source: Bloomberg

The Relative Strength Matrix provides an indication of how the various asset classes have performed relative to one another over the past 30 days. A number greater than 1.0 indicates that the asset class in the far left column has outperformed the corresponding asset class in the top row over the past 30 days. A number below 1.0 means the asset class on the left has underperformed the asset class at the top. The green shading indicates outperformance, and the red shading indicates underperformance.

INDEX OVERVIEW & KEY DEFINITIONS

Fed, The Fed or FED refers to the Federal Reserve System, the central bank of the United States. The Federal Open Market Committee (FOMC) is the monetary policymaking body of the Federal Reserve System. Fed Funds Rate, the interest rate at which a depository institution lends funds maintained at the Federal Reserve to another depository institution overnight. The ECB is the central bank for Europe's single currency, the euro. The ECB's main task is to maintain the euro's purchasing power and thus price stability in the euro area. The euro area comprises the 19 European Union countries that have introduced the euro since 1999.

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The Barclays US Aggregate Bond Index is a market capitalization-weighted index of investment-grade, fixed-rate debt issues, including government, corporate, asset-backed, and mortgage-backed securities, with maturities of at least one year. The Barclays US Corporate High Yield Index covers the USD-denominated, non-investment grade, fixed-rate, taxable corporate bond market. Securities are classified as high-yield if the middle rating of Moody's, Fitch and S&P is Ba1/BB+/BB+ or below. The index may include emerging market debt. The Barclays Capital Municipal Bond Index is an unmanaged index comprised of investment-grade, fixed-rate municipal securities representative of the tax-exempt bond market in general. The Barclays US Treasury Total Return Index is an unmanaged index of public obligations of the US Treasury with a remaining maturity of one year or more. The Citigroup World Government Bond Index is a market capitalization weighted bond index consisting of the government bond markets of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Malaysia, Mexico, the Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Singapore, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, the United Kingdom and the United States. The DJ-UBS Commodity Index Total Return SM measures the collateralized returns from a basket of 19 commodity futures contracts representing the energy, precious metals, industrial metals, grains, softs and livestock sectors. The Russell 1000 Index is a market capitalization-weighted benchmark index made up of the 1000 largest U.S. companies in the Russell 3000 Index. The Russell 1000 Growth Index is an unmanaged index considered representative of large-cap growth stocks. The Russell 1000 Value Index is an unmanaged index considered representative of large-cap value stocks. 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Hedge Fund Research, Inc. employs the HFRX Methodology (UCITS compliant), a proprietary and highly quantitative process by which hedge funds are selected as constituents for the HFRX Indices. The ISM Non-Manufacturing Index is an index based on surveys of more than 400 non-manufacturing firms' purchasing and supply executives, within 60 sectors across the nation, by the Institute of Supply Management (ISM). The ISM Non-Manufacturing Index tracks economic data, like the ISM Non-Manufacturing Business Activity Index. A composite diffusion index is created based on the data from these surveys that monitors economic conditions of the nation. The ISM Manufacturing Index is an index based on surveys of more than 300 manufacturing firms by the Institute of Supply Management. The ISM Manufacturing Index monitors employment, production inventories, new orders and supplier deliveries. A composite diffusion index is created that monitors conditions in national manufacturing based on the data from these surveys. The Consumer Price Index (CPI) measures the change in the cost of a fixed basket of products and services. The Gross Domestic Product (GDP) rate is a measurement of the output of goods and services produced by labor and property located in the United States. Basis Point(s) is a unit that is equal to 1/100th of 1%, and is used to denote the change in a financial instrument. The basis point is commonly used for calculating changes in interest rates, equity indexes and the yield of a fixed-income security. The CBOE Volatility Index (VIX) is an up-to-the-minute market estimate of expected volatility that is calculated by using real-time S&P 500 Index option bid/ask quotes. 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The Barclays Global Aggregate ex-U.S. Index - is a market capitalization-weighted index, meaning the securities in the index are weighted according to the market size of each bond type. Most U.S. traded investment grade bonds are represented. Municipal bonds, and Treasury Inflation-Protected Securities are excluded, due to tax treatment issues. The index includes Treasury securities, Government agency bonds, Mortgage-backed bonds, Corporate bonds, and a small amount of foreign bonds traded in U.S. The University of Michigan Consumer Sentiment Index (MCSI) is a survey of consumer confidence conducted by the University of Michigan. The Michigan Consumer Sentiment Index (MCSI) uses telephone surveys to gather information on consumer expectations regarding the overall economy. 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Treasury securities, mortgage-backed securities (MBS) foreign bonds, government agency bonds and corporate bonds are some of the categories included in the index. Barclays U.S Corporate High-Yield Index is composed of fixed-rate, publicly issued, noninvestment grade debt. Barclays U.S. Corporate 5-10 Year Index includes U.S. dollar-denominated, investment-grade, fixed-rate, taxable securities 15 issued by industrial, utility, and financial companies, with maturities between 5 and 10 years. (05.08.15)

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