

Chart of the Week



Weekly Highlights

- The Fed remains on the sidelines. The big news of the week was the Federal Reserve's (Fed) decision on Thursday to hold its target rate at 0.0-0.25%. There were some significant gyrations in the equity markets, but the Dow Jones and S&P 500 both closed down roughly 0.30%. Treasury yields from 2-10 years fell in parallel fashion 11-13 basis points. Please see the page 3 commentary for more insight.
- Several signs of a modest slowing in the U.S. Perhaps playing a role in the Fed's non-decision this week were continued weak readings from the Empire State manufacturing index* and a drop in both industrial production and capacity utilization. The Philadelphia Fed manufacturing index* also fell into negative territory in September.
- Inflation once again negligible. Despite some early signs of inflation during the second quarter, the Consumer Price Index (CPI) fell in August by 0.1%, the first such drop this year. The decline was led by a 2% drop in the price of energy. The "core" CPI rose by 0.1%. On a trailing 12-month basis the main Index is up just 0.2%, while the core measure is up 1.8%.

Talking Points

- Among equities, global markets outperformed the U.S., particularly the emerging markets led by Russia, China and Greece.
 Domestically, small caps continued their recent outperformance of larger cap companies; growth stocks modestly outperformed value stocks.
- Treasury yields were lower during the week after the Fed's decision to keep its target rate unchanged.
- Commodities were mixed, with a sharp jump in energy and precious metals prices, but weak in most other areas.
- The dollar ended the week lower against a basket of six major currencies due to the Fed's decision, after strengthening in the first half of the week.
- Among other economic data released this week, retail sales were modestly higher in August, led by auto sales. Weekly new jobless claims were down slightly to 264,000 while the four week average dipped slightly to 275,000. The home builders index was up slightly as were new building permits, but actual housing starts slipped from 1.16 million to 1.13 million.

^{*} The <u>Empire State Manufacturing Index</u>, a Federal Reserve Bank of New York index summarizing general business conditions in New York State. The <u>Philadelphia Fed Manufacturing Index</u>, a regional Federal Reserve Bank index measuring changes in business growth.

MARKET DASHBOARD

| | Last Price | Change | % Chg. | YTD % |
|--------------------|------------|---------|--------|-------|
| S&P 500 | 1,958.08 | -2.97 | -0.15% | -4.9% |
| Dow Industrials | 16,384.79 | -48.30 | -0.29% | -8.1% |
| Nasdaq | 4,827.23 | 4.89 | 0.10% | 1.9% |
| Russell 2000 | 1,163.37 | 5.58 | 0.48% | -3.4% |
| Euro Stoxx Index | 354.77 | -0.95 | -0.27% | 3.6% |
| Shanghai Composite | 3,097.92 | -102.32 | -3.20% | -4.2% |
| Russell Global | 1,624.33 | 28.33 | 1.74% | -4.1% |

| | Last Price | Change | % Chg. | YTD % |
|-------------------|------------|---------|--------|--------|
| Russell Global EM | 2,523.31 | 72.70 | 2.89% | -13.3% |
| 10-Year US Treas. | 2.13 | -5 bps | NM | NM |
| DJ UBS Comm. ldx. | 87.73 | -1.20 | -1.35% | -15.9% |
| Gold | \$1,138.74 | \$31.44 | 2.84% | -3.8% |
| Crude Oil | \$44.91 | \$0.30 | 0.67% | -22.7% |
| Dollar Index | 95.23 | 0.02 | 0.02% | 5.5% |
| VIX Index | 22.28 | -0.92 | -3.97% | 16.0% |

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

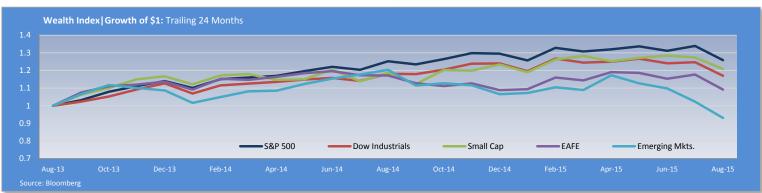


| | | One Week | (| | YTD | |
|---|--------|----------|--------|---------|--------|--------|
| | Value | | Growth | Value | | Growth |
| L | -0.75% | -0.18% | 0.36% | -10.53% | -4.74% | 1.12% |
| | 0.29% | 0.09% | -0.11% | -6.84% | -3.69% | -0.62% |
| S | 0.09% | 0.48% | 0.86% | -8.85% | -3.43% | 2.10% |

Source: Bloomberg

| | % Wgt in | Week % | |
|------------------------|----------|--------|-----------------------|
| | S&P 500 | Chg. | YTD % Chg |
| Consumer Discretionary | 13.1 | 0.36% | 4.79 |
| Consumer Staples | 9.7 | 0.82% | -3. <mark>0</mark> 9 |
| Energy | 7.0 | 0.32% | -21. <mark>2</mark> 9 |
| Financials | 16.3 | -1.44% | 8. <mark>3</mark> 9 |
| Health Care | 15.4 | 0.74% | 3.69 |
| Industrials | 10.1 | -0.65% | -9. 6 9 |
| Information Technology | 20.1 | -0.50% | -2.9 |
| Materials | 2.9 | -1.59% | -13. <mark>7</mark> 9 |
| Telecom Services | 2.4 | -1.46% | - <mark>6.2</mark> 9 |
| Utilities | 3.0 | 2.47% | 10.7 |





THE ECONOMY AND MARKETS

A Macro View - Much Ado About Nothing

Thursday's meeting of the Federal Open Market Committee (FOMC) was the focal point of nearly every market commentator, economist and money manager for the last four months. It was certainly the first meeting in several years where the outcome was in any sort of doubt. Yet, as it has for the last year since it ended new bond purchases under the quantitative easing process, the Fed again declined to raise the Fed Funds target rate from its current 0.0-0.25% range. The U.S. equity markets gyrated for the remainder of the afternoon, but the S&P 500 Index closed down less than 0.30% on the day. On the bond side, Treasury yields from 2 years to 10 years closed down 11-13 basis points, almost exactly where they ended up last Friday.

Even had the Fed raised its target rate by 25 basis points investors, professional and amateur alike, should have shrugged at the announcement and moved on with their day. The news might have created some short-term volatility in the markets (as though we haven't seen rampant volatility over the last 90 days), but in the end, a modest increase in borrowing rates isn't likely to have a significant impact on domestic economic growth. That won't come until we see the cumulative effect of at least three or four quarter-point hikes. Chairwoman Yellen has stated clearly that when the Fed does move, it will be at a slow and gradual pace, far slower than any hiking cycle in the last 30 years, and we likely won't see that third or fourth hike for at least nine months after the first one. Right now the bond market is pricing in roughly a 60 basis point increase in the 1-year Treasury, to 1%, over the next 12 months, meaning the Fed Funds rate won't have hit its third hike by then.

Similarly, when a hike in rates does come, it won't be the end of your fixed income portfolio, especially with the expected slow glide path. Since 1986, the smallest increase in the Fed Funds rate during a hiking cycle was a total of 1.75% over the course of 13 months, from mid-1999 through mid-2000. An even slower pace of rate increases will minimize the price loss on current bonds, and will allow the income component, as small as it is today, to overcome most, if not all, of it. In fact, during the 13 months of the 1999/2000 rate hike cycle, both the Barclays US Aggregate Bond Index and the Barclays Intermediate US Government Credit Bond Index rose by nearly 4.5% on an annualized basis. Of far greater impact on the fixed income markets than these marginal rate hikes over the next 12 to 24 months will be domestic and global macro events, similar to those that have driven returns since early 2009, when Fed Funds hit the zero-bound level. Global uncertainty in places like Greece, Ukraine and China will have both short-term and intermediate-term effects. General investor sentiment, particularly in the municipal bond market, will increase or decrease demand for fixed income securities, moving the prices and yields appropriately. And, as exemplified by the non-investment grade corporate and emerging markets, company- and country-specific events will have a significant bearing on excess returns.

In the end, professional fixed income investors are far less worried, at least at this point, about whether the Fed now will hike rates in October, December or in 2016. Rather, they are focused on managing their exposure to broad, global macro risks and company-or country-specific fundamentals to deliver their stated risk/return profile. Shouldn't we retail investors follow their lead?

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ECONOMIC DATA



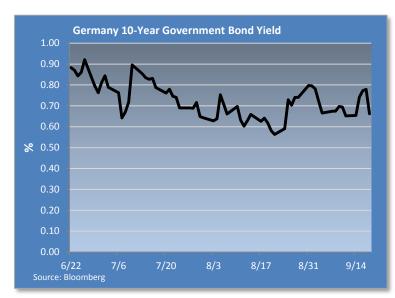
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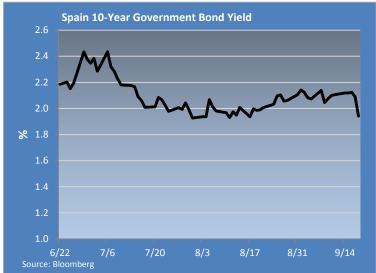
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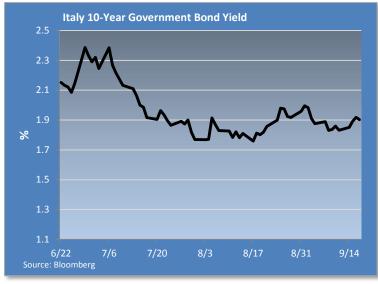
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|----------------------|------|--------|--------|-------|
| Germany 10-Yr. Govt. | 0.66 | -1 bps | NM | NM |
| Greece 10-Yr. Govt. | 8.07 | 22 bps | NM | NM |
| Italy 10-Yr. Govt. | 1.76 | 6 bps | NM | NM |
| Spain 10-Yr. Govt. | 1.94 | 15 bps | NM | NM |
| Belgium 10-Yr. Govt. | 0.97 | 2 bps | NM | NM |

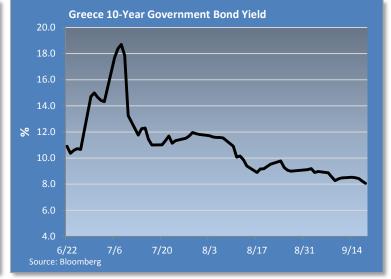
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| France 10-Yr. Govt. | 1.03 | 3 bps | NM | NM |
| Ireland 10-Yr. Govt. | 1.25 | 1 bps | NM | NM |
| Portugal 10-Yr. Govt. | 2.51 | 9 bps | NM | NM |
| Netherlands 10-Yr. Govt. | 0.83 | 1 bps | NM | NM |
| U.K. 10-Yr. Govt. | 1.83 | 0 bps | NM | NM |

Source: Bloomberg Basis points (bps)









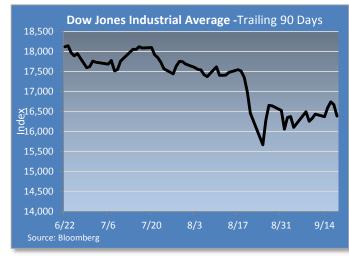
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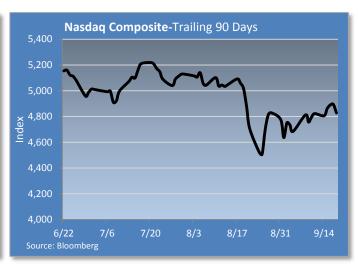
WORLD MARKET PERFORMANCE

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| S&P/TSX (Canada) | 13,646.90 | 185.43 | 1.38% | -6.74% |
| Mexico IPC | 43,565.05 | 784.32 | 1.83% | 0.97% |
| Brazil Bovespa | 47,264.08 | 848.39 | 1.83% | -5.52% |
| Euro Stoxx 600 | 354.77 | -0.95 | -0.27% | 3.57% |
| FTSE 100 | 6,104.11 | -13.65 | -0.22% | -7.04% |
| IBEX 35 (Spain) | 9,847.20 | 109.30 | 1.12% | -4.21% |

| | Last | Change | % Chg. | YTD % |
|------------------------|-----------|---------|--------|--------|
| Swiss Market Index | 8,739.22 | -33.22 | -0.38% | -2.72% |
| CAC 40 Index (France) | 4,535.85 | -12.87 | -0.28% | 6.16% |
| DAX Index (Germany) | 9,916.16 | -207.40 | -2.05% | 1.13% |
| Irish Overall Index | 6,467.17 | 19.61 | 0.30% | 23.78% |
| Nikkei 225 | 18,070.21 | -194.01 | -1.06% | 3.55% |
| Hang Seng Index | 21,920.83 | 416.46 | 1.94% | -7.13% |
| Shanghai Composite | 3,097.92 | -102.32 | -3.20% | -4.23% |
| Kospi Index (S. Korea) | 1,995.95 | 54.58 | 2.81% | 4.20% |
| Taiwan Taiex Index | 8,462.14 | 156.32 | 1.88% | -9.08% |
| Tel Aviv 25 Index | 1,594.83 | -3.33 | -0.21% | 8.86% |
| MICEX Index (Russia) | 1,710.84 | -7.22 | -0.42% | 22.50% |

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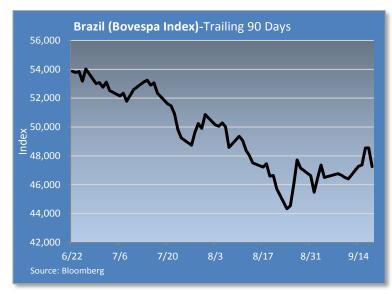
EQUITIES – EMERGING AND FRONTIER MARKETS

EMERGING AND FRONTIER MARKET PERFORMANCE

| | Last | Change | % Chg. | YTD % | |
|-----------------------------|-----------|---------|--------|--------|--|
| Mexico IPC | 43,565.05 | 784.32 | 1.8% | 1.0% | |
| Brazil (Bovespa Index) | 47,264.08 | 848.39 | 1.8% | -5.5% | |
| MICEX Index (Russia) | 1,710.84 | -7.22 | -0.4% | 22.5% | |
| Czech Republic (Prague) | 983.45 | -17.73 | -1.8% | 3.9% | |
| Turkey (Istanbul) | 75,099.06 | 3748.16 | 5.3% | -12.4% | |
| Egypt (Hermes Index) | 652.28 | 17.99 | 2.8% | -21.8% | |
| Kenya (Nairobi 20 Index) | 4,236.26 | 26.24 | 0.6% | -17.1% | |
| Saudi Arabia (TASI Index) | 7,470.19 | -248.21 | -3.2% | -10.4% | |
| Lebanon (Beirut BLOM Index) | 1,150.12 | 15.28 | 1.3% | -1.7% | |
| Palestine | 484.85 | 3.36 | 0.7% | -3.6% | |

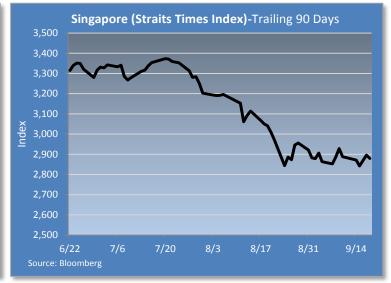
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| Hang Seng Index | 21,920.83 | 416.46 | 1.9% | -7.1% |
| India (Sensex 30) | 26,218.91 | 608.70 | 2.4% | -4.7% |
| Malaysia (KLCI Index) | 1,669.45 | 55.43 | 3.4% | -5.2% |
| Singapore (Straits Times Index) | 2,879.59 | -8.44 | -0.3% | -14.4% |
| Thailand (SET Index) | 1,390.32 | 8.60 | 0.6% | -7.2% |
| Indonesia (Jakarta) | 4,380.32 | 19.85 | 0.5% | -16.2% |
| Pakistan (Karachi KSE 100) | 32,760.95 | -911.77 | -2.7% | 2.0% |
| Vietnam (Ho Chi Minh) | 566.25 | -0.49 | -0.1% | 3.8% |
| Sri Lanka (Colombo) | 7,107.87 | -45.62 | -0.6% | -2.6% |
| Cambodia (Laos) | 1,220.34 | -30.05 | -2.4% | -13.7% |

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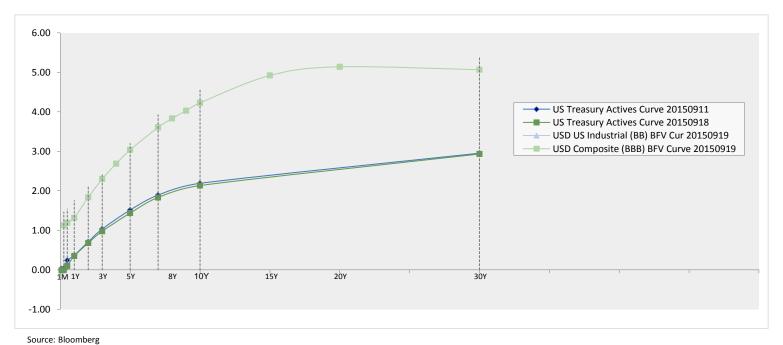
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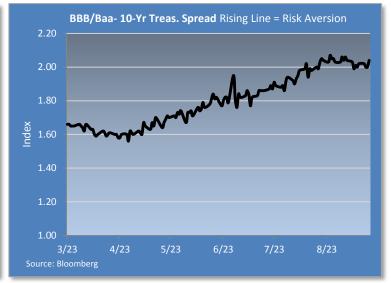
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| 2-Yr. U.S. Treasury | 0.68% | 1 bps | NM | NM |
| 5-Yr. U.S. Treasury | 1.44% | -7 bps | NM | NM |
| 10-Yr. U.S. Treasury | 2.13% | -5 bps | NM | NM |
| 30-Yr. U.S. Treasury | 2.93% | -1 bps | NM | NM |
| German 10-Yr. Govt. | 0.66% | -1 bps | NM | NM |
| France 10-Yr. | 1.03% | 3 bps | NM | NM |
| Italy 10-Yr. | 1.76% | 6 bps | NM | NM |
| Fed 5-Yr Fwd BE Inf. | 1.84% | -2 bps | NM | NM |

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| | Last | Change | % Chg. | YTD % |
| Prime Rate | 3.25% | 0.00 | NM | NM |
| Fed Funds Rate | 0.25% | 0.00 | NM | NM |
| Discount Rate | 0.75% | 0.00 | NM | NM |
| LIBOR (3 Mo.) | 0.35% | 1 bps | NM | NM |
| Bond Buyer 40 Muni | 4.24% | 2 bps | NM | NM |
| Bond Buyer 40 G.O. | 3.78% | NA | NM | NM |
| Bond Buyer 40 Rev. | 4.18% | NA | NM | NM |
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CURRENCIES

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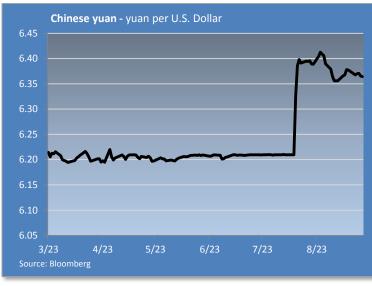
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|-----------------|--------|--------|--------|---------|
| Dollar Index | 95.23 | 0.016 | 0.02% | 5.47% |
| Euro | 1.13 | -0.004 | -0.35% | -6.61% |
| Japanese Yen | 119.97 | -0.590 | 0.49% | -0.18% |
| British Pound | 1.55 | 0.010 | 0.66% | -0.30% |
| Canadian Dollar | 1.32 | -0.005 | 0.36% | -12.07% |

| | Last | Change | % Chg. | YTD % |
|---------------------------|-------|--------|--------|---------|
| Chinese Yuan | 6.36 | -0.011 | 0.17% | -2.50% |
| Swiss Franc | 0.97 | -0.001 | 0.11% | 2.71% |
| New Zealand Dollar | 0.64 | 0.008 | 1.33% | -17.89% |
| Brazilian Real | 3.95 | 0.078 | -1.99% | -32.71% |
| Mexican Peso | 16.66 | -0.182 | 1.09% | -11.44% |

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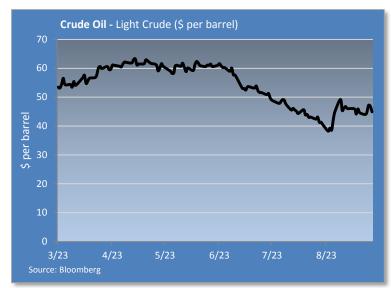
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| | Last | Change | % Chg. | YTD % | | | | | | |
| DJ UBS Comm. ldx. | 87.73 | -1.20 | -1.35% | -15.91% | | | | | | |
| Rogers Int. Comm. ldx. | 2327.68 | -2.32 | -0.10% | -16.65% | | | | | | |
| Crude Oil | \$44.90 | \$0.30 | 0.67% | -22.71% | | | | | | |
| Natural Gas | \$2.61 | -\$0.09 | -3.23% | -14.22% | | | | | | |
| Gasoline (\$/Gal.) | \$2.30 | -\$0.05 | -2.09% | 2.72% | | | | | | |
| Heating Oil | 149.67 | -5.25 | -3.39% | -20.56% | | | | | | |
| Gold Spot | \$1,138.70 | \$31.44 | 2.84% | -3.80% | | | | | | |
| Silver Spot | \$15.17 | \$0.55 | 3.76% | -3.49% | | | | | | |

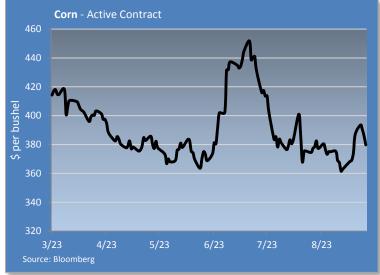
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| Platinum Spot | \$981.75 | \$12.10 | 1.25% | -18.71% |
| Corn | 377.25 | -9.75 | -2.52% | -10.39% |
| Wheat | 486.75 | 1.75 | 0.36% | -20.82% |
| Soybeans | 867.25 | -7.00 | -0.80% | -13.75% |
| Sugar | 11.70 | -0.75 | -6.02% | -28.75% |
| Orange Juice | 120.20 | -3.75 | -3.03% | -16.47% |
| Aluminum | 1,632.00 | -8.00 | -0.49% | -11.90% |
| Copper | 5,390.00 | 20.00 | 0.37% | -14.44% |

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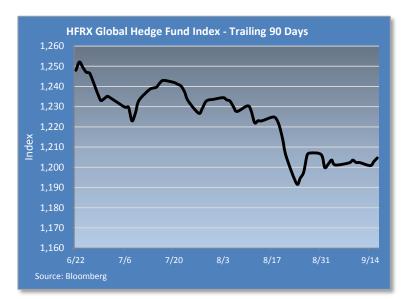
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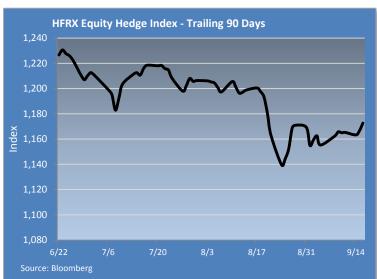
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| | Last | Change | % Chg. | YTD % |
|------------------------------|---------|--------|--------|--------|
| HFRX Global Hedge Fund Index | 1202.33 | 2.64 | 0.22% | -1.10% |
| HFRX Equity Market Neutral | 1018.96 | 7.65 | 0.75% | 4.08% |
| HFRX Equity Hedge Index | 1165.27 | 9.65 | 0.83% | -0.59% |
| HFRX Event-Driven Index | 1456.35 | 5.69 | 0.39% | -3.39% |
| HFRX Absolute Return Index | 1022.42 | 4.69 | 0.46% | 3.07% |

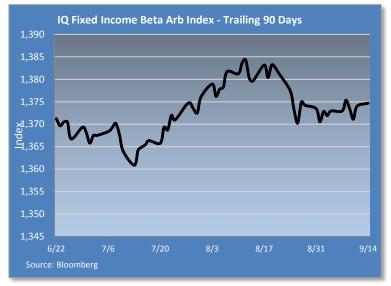
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| HFRX Distressed Index | 979.44 | -0.25 | -0.03% | -2.91% |
| HFRX Merger Arbitrage Index | 1684.23 | 1.40 | 0.08% | 5.24% |
| HFRX Convertible Arbitrage Index | 719.37 | -0.11 | -0.02% | 2.32% |
| HFRX Macro CTA Index | 1175.43 | -4.50 | -0.38% | -1.90% |
| IQ Fixed Income Beta Arb Index | 1381.49 | 7.49 | 0.55% | -0.44% |

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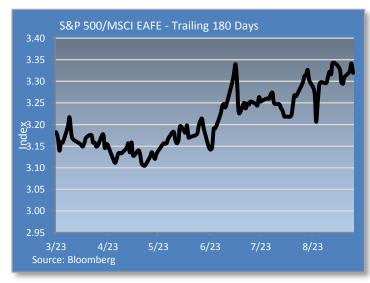




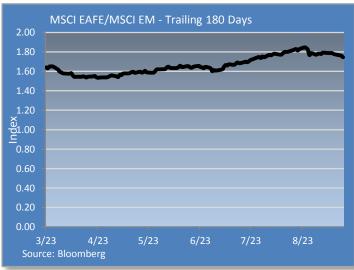




PORTFOLIO CONSTRUCTION



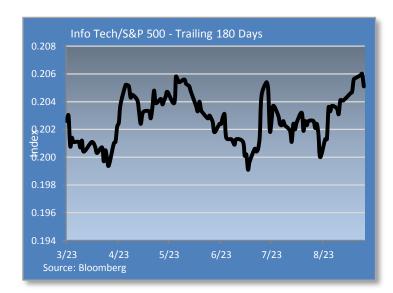






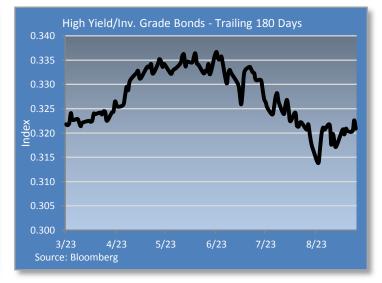


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| | WEEKLY ASSET CLASS PERFORMANCE (Prior 12 weeks ending Thursday) | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| | | | 7/2 | 7/9 | 7/16 | 7/23 | 7/30 | 8/6 | 8/13 | 8/20 | 8/27 | 9/3 | 9/10 | 9/17 |
| С | Domestic | Large Cap (R200) | -1.14% | -1.23% | 3.86% | -0.95 <mark>%</mark> | 0.33% | -1.31% | -0.16% | -2.44% | -2.30% | -1.90% | 0.10% | 1.94% |
| Equity | Equity | Small Cap (R2000) | -2.73% | -1.13% | 3.13% | -2.19% | -1.04% | -1.3 2 % | -0.91% | -2.67% | -1.61% | -0.73% | 0.69% | 2.40% |
| Equity | Int'l. | MSCI EAFE | -2.81% | -2.1 <mark>7%</mark> | 4.28% | -0.89% | -0.97% | 0.88% | -1.58% | -2.73% | -3.57% | -1.56% | 0.36% | 1.27% |
| | Equity | MSCI Em. Mkts. | -1.69% | -5.32% | 2.38% | -1.93% | -3.19% | -1.02% | -2.27% | -3.99% | -2.07% | -1.43% | 0.33% | 2.90% |
| Eivad | Income | BarCap Agg. (AGG) | -0.03% | 0.37% | -0.06% | 0.33% | -0.06% | -0.06% | 0.10% | 0.41% | -0.43% | -0.05% | -0.10% | 0.24% |
| rixeu | income | High Yield (JNK) | -0.88% | -0.73% | 0.66% | -1.36% | 0.45% | -1.26% | -0.96% | -0.86% | 0.38% | -0.32% | 0.62% | -0.40% |
| Comn | nodities | DJ UBS Index | 0.96% | -2.77% | 0.97% | -3.76% | -1.87% | -2.26% | -0.09% | -1.35% | -1.69% | 1.94% | -0.31% | -0.13% |
| Alter | natives | Hedge Funds (HFRX Global) | -1.02% | -0.59% | 1.21% | -0.36% | -0.32% | -0.29% | -0.55% | -0.75% | -0.65% | -0.21% | -0.10% | 0.22% |
| Acced Allegation | 60/40* | -1.17% | -0.98% | 2.25% | -0.69% | -0.31% | -0.53% | -0.50% | -1.51% | -1.62% | -0.99% | 0.16% | 1.22% | |
| Asset A | Asset Allocation | 48/32/20 (w/Alts.)** | -1.14% | -0.90% | 2.04% | -0.62% | -0.31% | -0.48% | -0.51% | -1.36% | -1.43% | -0.83% | 0.11% | 1.02% |

 $Source: Bloomberg; *60/40\ portfolio = 30\%\ Large\ Cap/10\%\ Small\ Cap/15\%\ EAFE/5\%\ Emerging\ Markets/35\%\ BarCap\ Agg./5\%\ High\ Yield.$

^{**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.

| | 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 | 0.95 | 1.06 | 0.99 | 0.97 | 1.01 | 0.98 | 0.95 | 1.02 | 1.08 | 1.09 | 0.95 | 1.08 | 0.93 | 1.14 |
| Large Cap Growth | 1.05 | 1.00 | 1.11 | 1.04 | 1.02 | 1.06 | 1.03 | 1.00 | 1.07 | 1.13 | 1.15 | 1.00 | 1.13 | 0.97 | 1.20 |
| Large Cap Value | 0.95 | 0.90 | 1.00 | 0.94 | 0.92 | 0.96 | 0.93 | 0.90 | 0.96 | 1.02 | 1.04 | 0.90 | 1.02 | 0.88 | 1.08 |
| Mid Cap Core | 1.01 | 0.96 | 1.07 | 1.00 | 0.98 | 1.02 | 0.99 | 0.96 | 1.03 | 1.09 | 1.11 | 0.96 | 1.09 | 0.93 | 1.15 |
| Mid Cap Growth | 1.03 | 0.98 | 1.09 | 1.02 | 1.00 | 1.04 | 1.01 | 0.98 | 1.05 | 1.11 | 1.13 | 0.97 | 1.11 | 0.95 | 1.17 |
| Mid Cap Value | 0.99 | 0.94 | 1.05 | 0.98 | 0.96 | 1.00 | 0.97 | 0.94 | 1.01 | 1.07 | 1.08 | 0.94 | 1.07 | 0.92 | 1.13 |
| Small Cap Core | 1.02 | 0.97 | 1.08 | 1.01 | 0.99 | 1.03 | 1.00 | 0.97 | 1.04 | 1.10 | 1.12 | 0.97 | 1.10 | 0.94 | 1.16 |
| Small Cap Growth | 1.05 | 1.00 | 1.11 | 1.04 | 1.02 | 1.06 | 1.03 | 1.00 | 1.07 | 1.13 | 1.15 | 1.00 | 1.13 | 0.97 | 1.20 |
| Small Cap Value | 0.98 | 0.93 | 1.04 | 0.97 | 0.95 | 0.99 | 0.96 | 0.93 | 1.00 | 1.06 | 1.07 | 0.93 | 1.06 | 0.91 | 1.12 |
| Int'l. Developed | 0.93 | 0.88 | 0.98 | 0.92 | 0.90 | 0.94 | 0.91 | 0.88 | 0.95 | 1.00 | 1.02 | 0.88 | 1.00 | 0.86 | 1.06 |
| Emerging Markets | 0.91 | 0.87 | 0.97 | 0.90 | 0.89 | 0.92 | 0.90 | 0.87 | 0.93 | 0.98 | 1.00 | 0.86 | 0.98 | 0.85 | 1.04 |
| REITs | 1.06 | 1.00 | 1.12 | 1.05 | 1.03 | 1.07 | 1.04 | 1.00 | 1.08 | 1.14 | 1.16 | 1.00 | 1.14 | 0.98 | 1.20 |
| Commodities | 0.93 | 0.88 | 0.98 | 0.92 | 0.90 | 0.94 | 0.91 | 0.88 | 0.95 | 1.00 | 1.02 | 0.88 | 1.00 | 0.86 | 1.06 |
| Int. Bond | 1.08 | 1.03 | 1.14 | 1.07 | 1.05 | 1.09 | 1.06 | 1.03 | 1.10 | 1.16 | 1.18 | 1.02 | 1.16 | 1.00 | 1.23 |
| High Yield | 0.88 | 0.83 | 0.93 | 0.87 | 0.85 | 0.88 | 0.86 | 0.83 | 0.89 | 0.94 | 0.96 | 0.83 | 0.95 | 0.81 | 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 European Central Bank (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. 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. A separately managed account (SMA) is an individual managed investment account offered typically by a brokerage firm through one of their brokers or financial consultants and managed by independent investment management firms (often called money managers for short) and have varying fee structures. The Consumer Price Index (CPI) measures the change in the cost of a fixed basket of products and services. The Producer Price Index (PPI) program measures the average change over time in the selling prices received by domestic producers for their output. The prices included in the PPI are from the first commercial transaction for many products and some services.

The Dow Jones Industrial Average (DOW or DJIA) is an unmanaged index of 30 common stocks comprised of 30 actively traded blue chip stocks, primarily industrials and assumes reinvestment of dividends. The S&P 500 Index is an unmanaged index comprised of 500 widely held securities considered to be representative of the stock market in general. The S&P/Case-Shiller Home Price Indices measure the residential housing market, tracking changes in the value of the residential real estate market in 20 metropolitan regions across the United States. The Nasdaq Composite Index is a stock market index of the common stocks and similar securities listed on the NASDAQ stock market. The US Dollar Index is a measure of the value of the United States dollar relative to a basket of foreign currencies. It is a weighted geometric mean of the dollar's value relative to other select currencies (Euro, Japanese yen, Pound sterling, Canadian dollar, Swedish krona (SEK) & Swiss franc). The Nikkei Index (Nikkei 225 or Nikkei) is a stock market index for the Tokyo Stock Exchange calculated daily by the Nihon Keizai Shimbun (Nikkei) newspaper since 1950. It is a price-weighted index (the unit is yen), and the components are reviewed once a year. The FTSE 100 Index (FTSE 100) is a share index of the 100 companies listed on the London Stock Exchange (LSE) with the highest market capitalization. The Bloomberg Commodity Index (formerly the Dow Jones-UBS Commodity Index) tracks prices of futures contracts on physical commodities on the commodity markets and is designed to minimize concentration in any one commodity or sector (currently 22 commodity futures in seven sectors). The Barclays Capital US Credit Index is an unmanaged index considered representative of publicly issued, SEC-registered US corporate and specified foreign debentures and secured notes. The Barclays Capital 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 Capital 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 Capital 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. 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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. The Russell 2000 Index is an unmanaged index considered representative of small-cap stocks. The Russell 2000 Growth Index is an unmanaged index considered representative of small-cap growth stocks. The Russell 2000 Growth Index is an unmanaged index considered representative of small-cap value stocks. The Russell 3000 Index is an unmanaged index considered representative of the US stock market. The Russell Midcap Index is a subset of the Russell 1000 Index. It includes approximately 800 of the smallest securities based on a combination of their market cap and current index membership. The Russell Midcap Growth Index is an unmanaged index considered representative of mid-cap growth stocks. The Russell Midcap Value Index is an unmanaged index considered representative of mid-cap value stocks. The HFRX Indices are a series of benchmarks of hedge fund industry performance which are engineered to achieve representative performance of a larger universe of hedge fund strategies. 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 University of Michigan Consumer Sentiment Index (MCSI) is a survey of consumer confidence conducted by the University of Michigan using telephone surveys to gather information on consumer expectations regarding the overall economy. 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 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 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. The Index uses nearby and second nearby options with at least 8 days left to expiration and then weights them to yield a constant, 30-day measure of the expected volatility of the S&P 500 Index. The MSCI EAFE Index is designed to measure the equity market performance of developed markets outside of the U.S. & Canada. The MSCI EAFE Growth Index is an unmanaged index considered representative of growth stocks of Europe, Australasia and the Far East. The MSCI EAFE Value Index is an unmanaged index considered representative of value stocks of Europe, Australasia and the Far East. The MSCI EM (Emerging Markets) Latin America Index is a free float-adjusted market capitalization weighted index that is designed to measure the equity market performance of emerging markets in Latin America. The MSCI World ex-U.S. Index captures large and mid-cap representation across 22 of 23 Developed Markets (DM) countries - excluding the US. With 1,002 constituents, the index covers approximately 85% of the free float-adjusted market capitalization in each country. 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The Barclays Intermediate US Government/Credit Bond Index is a market capitalization-weighted index of investmentgrade, fixed-rate debt issues, including Treasuries, government-related and U.S. corporate securities, with maturities of at least one year and less than 10 years.

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