

# **Weekly Market Review**

January 14, 2019

#### **Chart of the Week**



### **Weekly Highlights**

- New year, new beginning. The US stock market had its best start in more than a decade. The S&P 500 Index has risen by 3.58% for the year through Thursday, and the DJIA returned 2.89%. This rally comes on the back of dovish sentiments from the Federal Reserve and a thaw in the US-China trade talks.
- Inflation declines for the first time in three quarters. The Consumer Price Index (CPI) slipped 0.1% month over month in December, as expected, whereas core CPI, which excludes food and energy, declined 0.2%. Year-over-year CPI was up 1.9%, versus 2.2% in November, and core CPI rose 2.2%, unchanged from November.
- Job cuts continued in the US asset management industry, as BlackRock announced plans to trim its workforce by about 3%. This follows similar announcements by State Street, AQR, and J.P. Morgan Asset Management. In Europe, meanwhile, auto majors Jaguar and Ford Motors announced major cost-cutting programs. Jaguar Land Rover said it may cut up to 5,000 jobs in its primarily UK-based workforce, whereas Ford Europe announced it would be cutting thousands of jobs but did not specify the exact number.

#### **Talking Points**

- Asian stocks rallied to five-week highs on Friday, tracking positive sentiments from US-China trade talks, whereas European markets remained flat by the end of Thursday's trading session, as automakers announced job cuts.
- The yield on the 10-Year
  Treasury Note traded higher
  during the week, reaching 2.74%
  on Thursday. The yield increased
  seven basis points in four trading
  days, and the yield on the 30year Treasury bond increased by
  three basis points to 3.06%.
- The US Dollar hit a three-month low in the middle of the week before stabilizing on Thursday.
- Oil prices traded considerably higher for the week until Thursday. West Texas Intermediate crude futures have risen nearly 25% since their December lows. Oil has risen for its tenth consecutive session, making it the longest rally since 2010.
- Department store chain Macy's shares fell more than 17% on Thursday. The sell-off was triggered after Macy's cut its earnings forecast for the year, following disappointing holiday sales. The dismal sales numbers also prompted a broader sell-off across the retail industry.
- the ISM Non-Manufacturing Index slipped to 57.6% in December from the 60.7% reading in November. Initial unemployment claims decreased by 17,000 to 216,000 for the week ending January 5.

# **Market Dashboard**

	Last Price	Change	% Chg.	YTD %
S&P 500	2,596.26	64.32	2.54%	3.6%
Dow Industrials	23,995.95	562.79	2.40%	2.9%
Nasdaq	6,971.48	232.62	3.45%	5.1%
Russell 2000	1,447.39	66.64	4.83%	7.3%
Euro Stoxx Index	349.20	5.82	1.69%	3.4%
Shanghai Composite	2,553.83	38.96	1.55%	2.4%
Russell Global	1,910.11	0.00	0.00%	1.0%

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

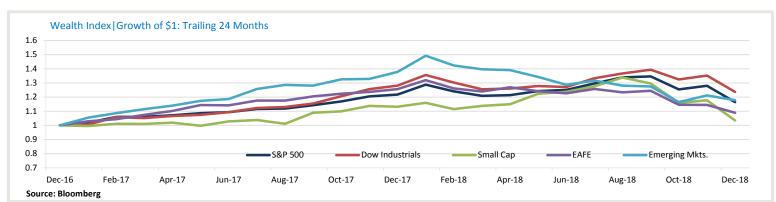
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Russell Global EM	3,026.64	0.00	0.00%	-0.1%
10-Year US Treas.	2.70	4 bps	NM	NM
Bloomberg Cmdts. Idx.	79.66	1.33	1.69%	3.8%
Gold	\$1,287.88	\$1.93	0.15%	0.4%
Crude Oil	\$51.71	\$3.76	7.84%	13.9%
Dollar Index	95.67	-0.50	-0.52%	-0.5%
VIX Index	18.19	-3.19	-14.92%	-28.4%

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	One Week					
	Value		Growth	Value		Growth
L	1.71%	2.25%	2.74%	2.90%	3.25%	3.56%
	3.75%	4.15%	4.71%	5.33%	5.31%	5.30%
S	4.03%	4.83%	5.60%	7.13%	7.33%	7.52%
	Source: B	loomberg				

	% Wgt in Week %		
	S&P 500	Chg.	YTD % Chg
Consumer Discretionary	10.2	3.73%	6.0%
Consumer Staples	7.3	0.62%	1.69
Energy	5.5	3.35%	8.19
Financials	13.3	1.04%	2.79
Health Care	15.2	2.26%	1.69
Industrials	9.4	4.09%	5.49
Information Technology	19.9	3.36%	2.59
Materials	2.7	1.90%	3.49
Real Estate	2.9	3.97%	3.29
Communication Services	10.4	2.05%	6.0%
Utilities	3.2	0.84%	0.69





## The Economy and Markets

#### A Macro View - Calm Markets or Return of Volatility: Politics in Focus to Start 2019

2019 has begun with mixed macroeconomic data, but the market thus far has responded favorably, especially when compared with the sharp sell-off in equities in late 2018. The Purchasing Managers' Index (PMI) fell to 54.1 from 59.3, its lowest reading since November 2016, signaling a downturn in manufacturing growth. This was followed by a steep fall in Treasury yields that touched their lowest levels since late January 2017. Markets reacted positively to Federal Reserve Chairman Jerome Powell's statement that it will be patient in hiking interest rates and will be sensitive to market sentiments. This reversed the earlier impression from his December statement that the central bank's balance sheet wind-down was on 'autopilot.' Additionally, the nonfarm payroll data was positive, as 312,000 net new jobs were added in December, which beat expectations, and wage growth increased by 3.2%. As we embark on 2019, some major political events are worth a deeper review, as they likely could shape markets in the coming months.

Brexit: March 29, 2019, is the day of reckoning for the UK, as it prepares to leave the European Union (EU) after two years of negotiations on the nature of its planned exit. After cancelling an earlier vote on the deal planned for December 11, British Prime Minister Theresa May will table in Parliament the draft withdrawal agreement that had been negotiated between the UK and EU, which then will be put to a vote for approval on January 15. The deal is supposed to provide the UK a transition period and allow for a soft exit from the EU. If the agreement that the Prime Minister has negotiated with the EU fails to pass the House of Commons, the UK will leave with no deal at all. A 'no deal' Brexit, as it is commonly referred to, means that British businesses and the public must brace for a harder exit, as there would be no transition period. Both the EU and UK have ramped up contingency plans for a 'no deal' Brexit, as rejecting the deal is seen as the more probable scenario. Article 50 of the Lisbon Treaty is the formal plan for any country to leave the EU, allowing the UK a two-year time frame for negotiations, which ends on March 29, 2019. Extending the Article 50 period as a way to avoid a 'no deal' Brexit in the short term also is being discussed. That result would require the UK Parliament's approval and the agreement of all 27 other EU member states. With so many permutations and combinations, Brexit is a political drama that the markets will be watching closely in 2019.

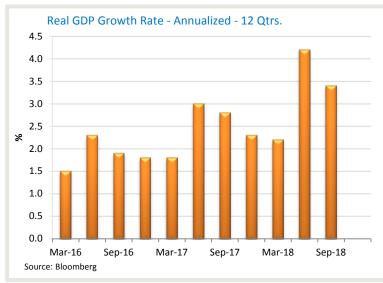
*US-China Trade relations:* 2019 has begun on a positive note for the US-China Trade relationship. Midlevel American and Chinese officials wrapped up three days of negotiations on Wednesday. The talks largely were believed to have progressed significantly, as can be seen by the markets' positive response to their extension. This has raised hopes of higher-level talks on the sidelines of the World Economic Forum in Davos later this month. This week's meetings in Beijing are the first direct talks since President Donald Trump and his Chinese counterpart, President Xi Jinping, agreed to a 90-day ceasefire in the trade war when they met on the sidelines of the G20 Summit in Buenos Aires. The truce will end on March 1, 2019, and if there is no breakthrough in talks by then, the US is likely to raise tariffs to 25% from 10% on \$200 billion worth of Chinese imports. In 2018, the US imposed trade tariffs on steel, aluminum, and several other Chinese imports worth billions of dollars, and restrictions were placed on investments. These sanctions were designed to address intellectual property theft and other alleged unfair trade practices by China. All this resulted in the highest level of trade conflict in the last three decades. A protracted trade war in 2019 between the US and China, which contributes more than one-third to global Gross Domestic Product, can have an adverse effect on both countries as well as other world economies.

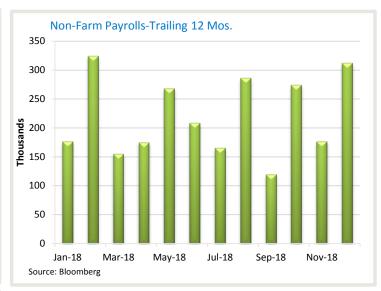
Government Shutdown: The partial shutdown of the US government that began on December 22<sup>nd</sup> has entered its third week. The shutdown, which affects more than 800,000 federal workers, is now the second-longest in US history, and is the result of the US Democratic-led Congress's failure to appropriate funds for the proposed wall on the Mexican border. President Trump and the previously Republican-led Congress had asked for \$5.7 billion to fund border security, and when the new Congress did not agree, he retaliated by refusing to sign legislation to fund the government, which technically led to the shutdown. Credit rating agency Fitch has warned that the US is in danger of losing its 'AAA' credit rating if the shutdown continues.

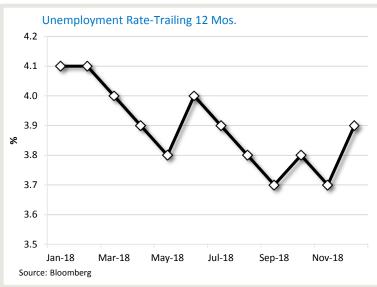
Increased geopolitical concerns, such as the US-China trade war and uncertainty around Brexit, along with domestic factors, such as raising US interest rates, produced increased market volatility at the close of 2018. Although the beginning of 2019 has been relatively calm thus far, the three political events highlighted above could either escalate volatility or further calm the markets. Only time will tell which of these outcomes is reached, but one thing is certain: Politics is certainly in focus as we begin 2019.

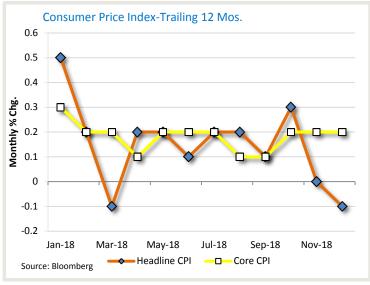
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## **Economic Data**













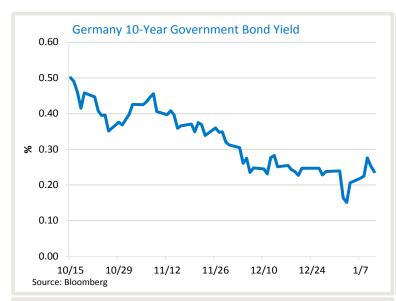
### **Eurozone**

#### SELECTED EUROPEAN SOVEREIGN YIELD PERFORMANCE

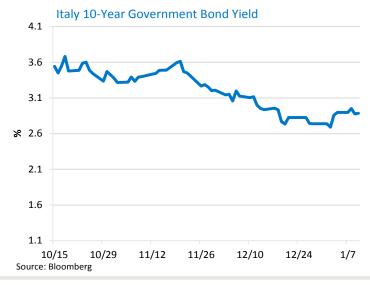
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Germany 10-Yr. Govt.	0.24	0 bps	NM	NM
Greece 10-Yr. Govt.	4.28	8 bps	NM	NM
Italy 10-Yr. Govt.	2.85	4 bps	NM	NM
Spain 10-Yr. Govt.	1.44	3 bps	NM	NM
Belgium 10-Yr. Govt.	0.71	4 bps	NM	NM

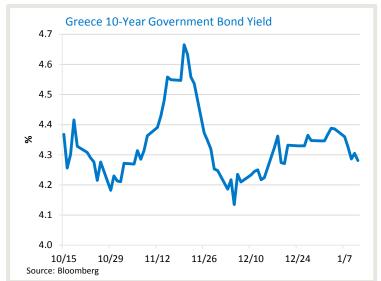
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France 10-Yr. Govt.	0.66	3 bps	NM	NM
Ireland 10-Yr. Govt.	1.01	0 bps	NM	NM
Portugal 10-Yr. Govt.	1.70	9 bps	NM	NM
Netherlands 10-Yr. Govt.	0.33	2 bps	NM	NM
U.K. 10-Yr. Govt.	1.29	-1 bps	NM	NM

Source: Bloomberg Basis points (bps)









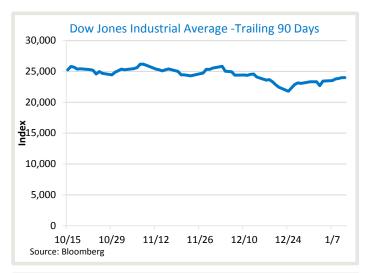
# **Equities**

#### **WORLD MARKET PERFORMANCE**

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S&P/TSX (Canada)	14,939.18	512.56	3.55%	4.30%	
Mexico IPC	43,556.11	1116.43	2.63%	4.64%	
Brazil Bovespa	93,658.31	1817.52	1.98%	6.57%	
Euro Stoxx 600	349.20	5.82	1.69%	3.42%	
FTSE 100	6,918.18	80.76	1.18%	2.82%	
IBEX 35 (Spain)	8,877.10	139.30	1.59%	3.95%	

	Last	Change	% Chg.	YTD %
Swiss Market Index	8,828.22	219.66	2.55%	4.73%
CAC 40 Index (France)	4,781.34	44.22	0.93%	1.07%
DAX Index (Germany)	10,887.46	119.77	1.11%	3.11%
Irish Overall Index	5,699.45	43.00	0.76%	4.01%
Nikkei 225	20,359.70	797.74	4.08%	1.72%
Hang Seng Index	26,667.27	1041.24	4.06%	3.18%
Shanghai Composite	2,553.83	38.96	1.55%	2.40%
Kospi Index (S. Korea)	2,075.57	65.32	3.25%	1.69%
Taiwan Taiex Index	9,759.40	376.89	4.02%	0.33%
Tel Aviv 25 Index	1,498.63	47.36	3.26%	2.37%
MOEX Index (Russia)	2,444.45	37.95	1.58%	3.17%

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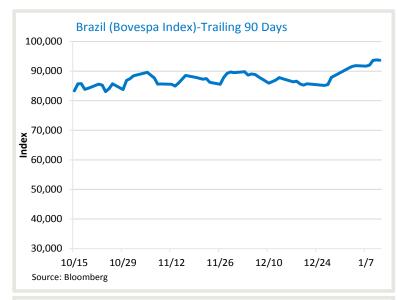
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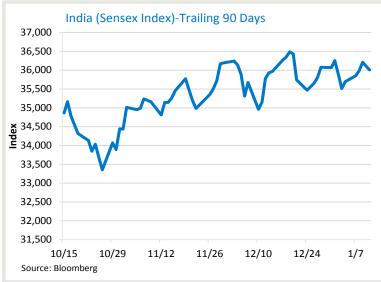
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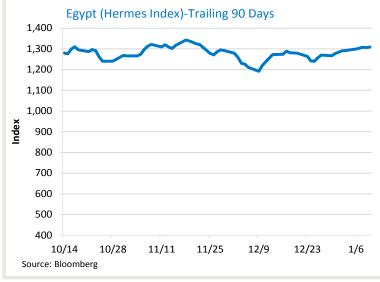
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Brazil (Bovespa Index)	93,658.31	1817.52	2.0%	6.6%	
MOEX Index (Russia)	2,444.45	37.95	1.6%	3.2%	
Czech Republic (Prague)	1,011.44	7.23	0.7%	2.5%	
Turkey (Istanbul)	91,687.04	2856.22	3.2%	0.5%	
Egypt (Hermes Index)	1,308.79	16.65	1.3%	2.4%	
Kenya (Nairobi 20 Index)	2,794.43	10.55	0.4%	-1.4%	
Saudi Arabia (TASI Index)	8,210.16	379.69	4.8%	4.9%	
Lebanon (Beirut BLOM Index)	972.12	-3.22	-0.3%	-0.5%	
Palestine	529.71	-0.85	-0.2%	0.1%	

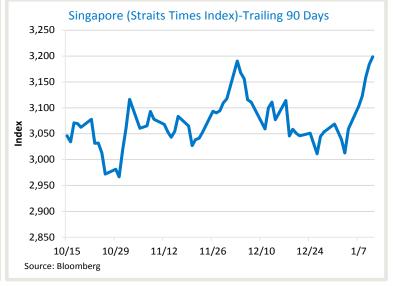
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Hang Seng Index	26,667.27	1041.24	4.1%	3.2%
India (Sensex 30)	36,009.84	314.74	0.9%	-0.2%
Malaysia (KLCI Index)	1,683.22	13.44	0.8%	-0.4%
Singapore (Straits Times Index)	3,198.65	139.42	4.6%	4.2%
Thailand (SET Index)	1,597.04	21.91	1.4%	2.1%
Indonesia (Jakarta)	6,361.47	86.92	1.4%	2.7%
Pakistan (Karachi KSE 100)	39,049.08	1501.59	4.0%	5.3%
Vietnam (Ho Chi Minh)	902.71	21.81	2.5%	1.1%
Sri Lanka (Colombo)	5,967.27	-100.39	-1.7%	-1.4%
Cambodia (Laos)	817.37	-3.48	-0.4%	-2.3%

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









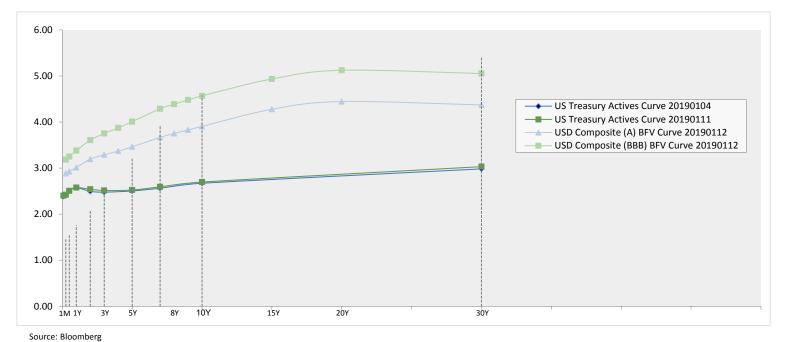
## **Interest Rates**

#### **SELECTED INTEREST RATES**

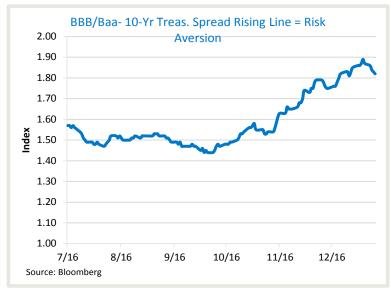
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	Last	Change	% Chg.	YTD %
2-Yr. U.S. Treasury	2.54%	-1 bps	NM	NM
5-Yr. U.S. Treasury	2.53%	4 bps	NM	NM
10-Yr. U.S. Treasury	2.70%	4 bps	NM	NM
30-Yr. U.S. Treasury	3.04%	6 bps	NM	NM
German 10-Yr. Govt.	0.24%	0 bps	NM	NM
France 10-Yr.	0.66%	3 bps	NM	NM
Italy 10-Yr.	2.85%	4 bps	NM	NM
Fed 5-Yr Fwd BE Inf.	1.75%	-6 bps	NM	NM

	Last	Change	% Chg.	YTD %
Prime Rate	5.50%	0.00	NM	NM
Fed Funds Rate	2.50%	0.00	NM	NM
Discount Rate	3.00%	0.00	NM	NM
LIBOR (3 Mo.)	2.80%	-1 bps	NM	NM
Bond Buyer 40 Muni	4.05%	15 bps	NM	NM
Bond Buyer 40 G.O.	4.20%	NA	NM	NM
Bond Buyer 40 Rev.	4.67%	NA	NM	NM

Source: Bloomberg







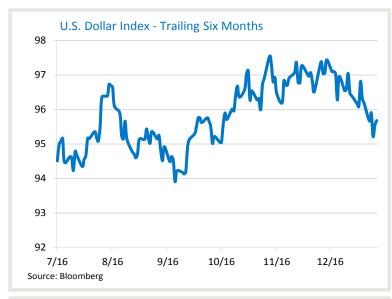
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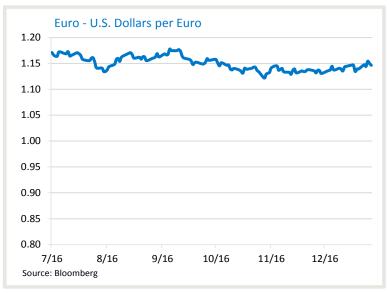
#### **SELECTED CURRENCY PERFORMANCE**

	Last	Change	% Chg.	YTD %
Dollar Index	95.68	-0.498	-0.52%	-0.51%
Euro	1.15	0.007	0.61%	-0.03%
Japanese Yen	108.55	0.020	-0.02%	1.07%
<b>British Pound</b>	1.28	0.012	0.94%	0.70%
Canadian Dollar	1.33	-0.011	0.85%	2.84%

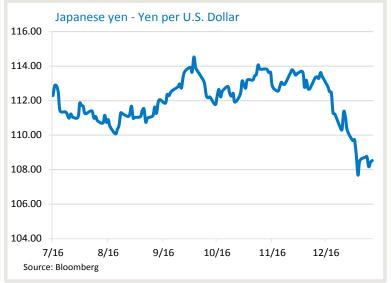
	Last	Change	% Chg.	YTD %
Chinese Yuan	6.76	-0.106	1.57%	1.71%
Swiss Franc	0.98	-0.004	0.38%	-0.18%
<b>New Zealand Dollar</b>	0.68	0.010	1.52%	1.71%
Brazilian Real	3.71	-0.002	0.05%	4.33%
Mexican Peso	19.13	-0.286	1.49%	2.71%

Source: Bloomberg









Source: Bloomberg; % change is based on price.

## **Commodities**

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#### SELECTED COMMODITY MARKET PERFORMANCE

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Last	Change	% Chg.	YTD %					
79.66	1.33	1.69%	3.84%					
\$51.70	\$3.76	7.84%	13.90%					
\$3.16	\$0.11	3.58%	7.24%					
\$2.24	\$0.00	-0.09%	-0.62%					
188.59	11.62	6.57%	12.27%					
\$1,287.89	\$1.93	0.15%	0.43%					
\$15.60	-\$0.09	-0.60%	0.71%					
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	Last	Change	% Chg.	YTD %
Platinum Spot	\$810.60	-\$11.86	-1.44%	1.91%
Corn	378.25	-4.75	-1.24%	0.87%
Wheat	519.50	2.50	0.48%	3.23%
Soybeans	910.25	-11.25	-1.22%	1.70%
Sugar	12.78	0.85	7.12%	6.23%
Orange Juice	121.00	-2.30	-1.87%	-3.82%
Aluminum	1,861.00	-4.00	-0.21%	0.81%
Copper	5,930.00	12.00	0.20%	-0.59%

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## **Alternative Investments**

#### SELECTED ALTERNATIVE INVESTMENT INDEX PERFORMANCE

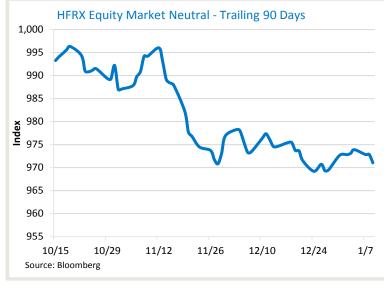
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HFRX Global Hedge Fund Index	1203.20	6.18	0.52%	1.12%
HFRX Equity Market Neutral	971.03	-2.86	-0.29%	-0.17%
HFRX Equity Hedge Index	1183.35	17.08	1.46%	2.80%
HFRX Event-Driven Index	1501.26	13.59	0.91%	2.04%
HFRX Absolute Return Index	1062.52	2.81	0.27%	0.42%

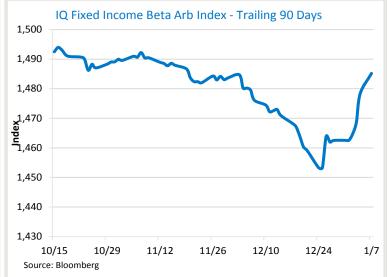
	Last	Change	% Chg.	YTD %
HFRX Distressed Index	1020.11	11.74	1.16%	1.86%
HFRX Merger Arbitrage Index	1820.63	2.60	0.14%	0.16%
HFRX Convertible Arbitrage Index	792.06	7.77	0.99%	0.56%
HFRX Macro CTA Index	1091.51	-24.77	-2.22%	-3.07%
IQ Fixed Income Beta Arb Index	1484.57	6.25	0.42%	1.51%

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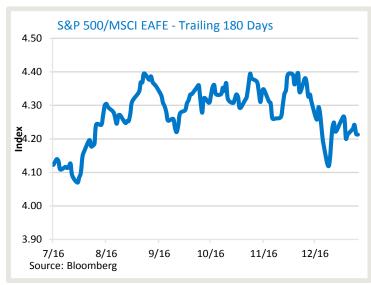


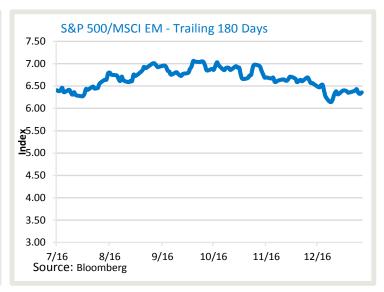


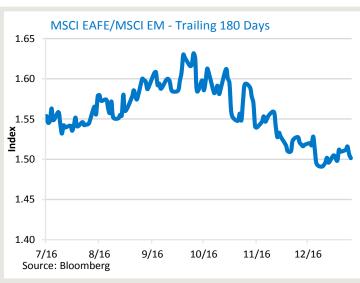




## **Portfolio Construction**



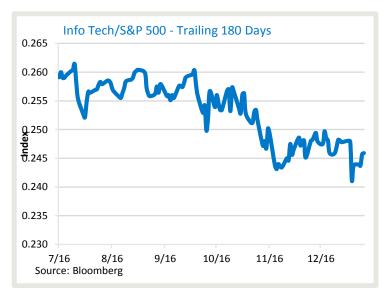


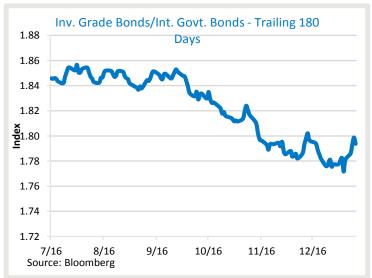




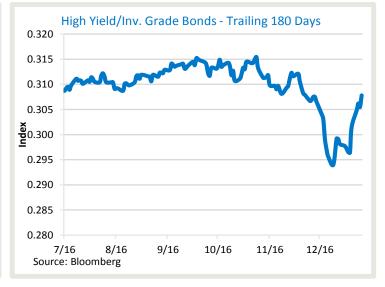


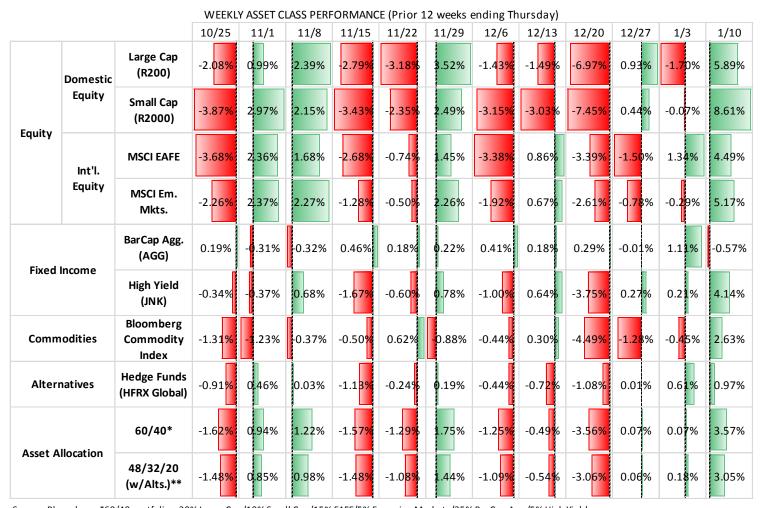
# **Portfolio Construction (continued)**











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

<sup>\*\*48/32/20</sup> 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 Core	Large Cap Growth	Large Cap Value	Mid Cap Core	Mid Cap Growth	Mid Cap Value	Small Cap Core	Small Cap Growth	Small Cap Value	Int'l. Developed	Emerging Markets	REITs	Comm.	Int. Bond	High Yield
Large Cap Core	1.00	0.98	1.02	0.98	0.95	1.01	0.98	0.97	1.01	0.94	0.88	0.95	1.07	0.79	0.87
Large Cap Growth	1.02	1.00	1.04	1.00	0.97	1.03	1.00	0.98	1.02	0.96	0.89	0.97	1.08	0.80	0.89
Large Cap Value	0.98	0.96	1.00	0.96	0.93	0.99	0.96	0.95	0.99	0.92	0.86	0.93	1.04	0.77	0.85
Mid Cap Core	1.02	1.00	1.04	1.00	0.97	1.03	1.00	0.99	1.03	0.96	0.90	0.97	1.09	0.80	0.89
Mid Cap Growth	1.05	1.03	1.08	1.03	1.00	1.06	1.04	1.02	1.06	0.99	0.93	1.00	1.12	0.83	0.92
Mid Cap Value	0.99	0.97	1.01	0.97	0.94	1.00	0.97	0.96	1.00	0.93	0.87	0.94	1.05	0.78	0.86
Small Cap Core	1.02	1.00	1.04	1.00	0.97	1.03	1.00	0.98	1.02	0.96	0.89	0.96	1.08	0.80	0.89
Small Cap Growth	1.03	1.02	1.06	1.01	0.98	1.04	1.02	1.00	1.04	0.97	0.91	0.98	1.10	0.81	0.90
Small Cap Value	0.99	0.98	1.01	0.97	0.94	1.00	0.98	0.96	1.00	0.94	0.87	0.94	1.06	0.78	0.87
Int'l. Developed	1.06	1.04	1.08	1.04	1.01	1.07	1.04	1.03	1.07	1.00	0.93	1.01	1.13	0.84	0.92
Emerging Markets	1.14	1.12	1.16	1.12	1.08	1.15	1.12	1.10	1.14	1.07	1.00	1.08	1.21	0.89	0.99
REITs	1.05	1.04	1.08	1.03	1.00	1.06	1.04	1.02	1.06	0.99	0.93	1.00	1.12	0.83	0.92
Commodities	0.94	0.92	0.96	0.92	0.89	0.95	0.92	0.91	0.94	0.88	0.83	0.89	1.00	0.74	0.82
Int. Bond	1.27	1.25	1.30	1.25	1.21	1.28	1.25	1.23	1.28	1.20	1.12	1.21	1.35	1.00	1.11
High Yield	1.15	1.13	1.17	1.13	1.09	1.16	1.13	1.11	1.16	1.08	1.01	1.09	1.22	0.90	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. Core CPI is an additional CPI Index, excludes energy and food item price changes, and measures the "core" or "underlying" rate of inflation. The PCE (Personal Consumption Expenditure) Index of Prices is a US---wide indicator of the average increase in prices for all domestic personal consumption. Using a variety of data including U.S. Consumer Price Index and Producer Price Index prices, it is derived from personal consumption expenditures; essentially a measure of goods and services targeted towards individuals and consumed by individuals. The Purchasing Managers' Index (PMI) is an indicator of the economic health of the manufacturing sector. The PMI is based on five major indicators: new orders, inventory levels, production, supplier deliveries and the employment environment. Brexit is a commonly used term for the United Kingdom's withdrawal from the European Union. The Kansas City Fed Manufacturing Survey monitors manufacturing plants selected according to geographic distribution, industry mix and size in the Tenth Federal Reserve District. West Texas Intermediate (WTI), also known as Texas light sweet, is a grade of crude oil used as a benchmark in oil pricing. Risk Premium is the return in excess of the risk-free rate of return an investment is expected to yield. LIBOR or ICE LIBOR (previously BBA LIBOR) is a benchmark rate, which some of the world's leading banks charge each other for short-term loans. It stands for Intercontinental Exchange London Interbank Offered Rate and serves as the first step to calculating interest rates on various loans throughout the world.

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 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, assetbacked, 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. The Barclays Capital 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. 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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. The MSCI Japan Index is designed to measure the performance of the large and mid-cap segments of the Japanese market. With 320 constituents, the index covers approximately 85% of the free float-adjusted market capitalization in Japan. The MSCI Emerging Markets Index is a free float-adjusted market capitalization index that is designed to measure equity market performance in the global emerging markets. The MSCI Europe Index is an unmanaged index considered representative of stocks of developed European countries. The MSCI Pacific Index is a free float-adjusted market capitalization weighted index that is designed to measure the equity market performance of the developed markets in the Pacific region. 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