

The Daily Roll Market Recap

Thursday, March 15, 2012



Today's Commentary

The bearish side of the market returned yesterday, just one day after the biggest American market rally of 2012 so far. The Federal Reserve's bolstered economic outlook dashed hopes of another round of quantitative easing. The S&P 500 slid by 0.12% yesterday while the Dow gained 0.12%. The S&P/TSX tumbled 1.27% to completely erase the gains made in yesterday's rally and more. The Canadian index reacted poorly to a large decline in commodities, where crude and gold slipped by -1.2% and -1.75%, respectively. Gold is now trading near a two month low. Most other major commodities dropped appreciably as well. Consequently, the Materials and Metals & Mining sectors both dropped over 3% each. Treasuries dropped as yield rates skyrocketed yet again yesterday. Over the past three days American Government 10-year bonds have jumped 27 basis points, while Canadian 10-years yields have risen by 24 basis points. The American dollar also rose significantly yesterday against almost all major currencies.

Stock futures rose this morning on upbeat economic news south of the border. The US released its weekly jobless claims numbers and they came in much better than last week's figures, and ahead of expectations. Initial jobless claims are reported to be 351K, compared with the previous week of 362K, while continuing claims were 3343K, 73,000 lower than the previous week. The US producer price index also beat forecasts, with the month-over-month number for February at 0.4% versus a 0.5% expected increase.

Spain has been left behind in the recent equity market rally. Of 24 major equity markets, Spain is the only nation that has suffered year-to-date losses in 2012. Compared with an 11% increase since January 1 in the Stoxx Europe 600 – an equity index containing 600 large, medium and small cap companies from 18 European countries – Spain's equity indices have fallen 2.1% as of yesterday's close. The fall is being attributed to the Spanish Prime Minister Mariano Rajoy's inability to control his country's budget deficit. Rajoy announced on March 2nd that the 2012 target budget deficit is 5.8% of GDP, up from the initial target of 4.4% of the country's GDP. Making things worse for Spain is its 23% unemployment rate – double the Eurozone average – and a recent property bubble burst that has left lenders with 175 billion euros in troubled real-estate assets. Analysts are forecasting that Spain's economy will shrink by 1% in 2012, compared with a consensus 0.4% decline in Eurozone growth as a whole.

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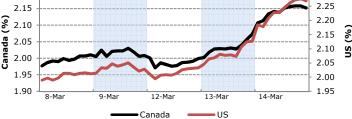
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0.4%

0.1%

Today's Major Economic Releases						
United States	<u>Period</u>	<u>Survey</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Prior</u>		
Continuing Claims		3405K	3343K	3416K		
Intial Jobless Claims		356.5K	351K	362K		

Canada None Scheduled	<u>Period</u>	<u>Survey</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Prior</u>
Interest Rates				
Govern	ment 10-yea	r Yields		2.30



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Producer Price Index (MoM)

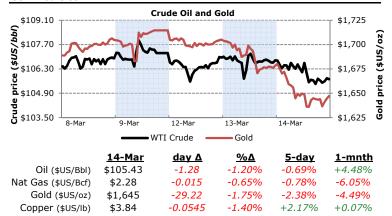


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Commodities







(USDCAD IIIIpiles \$1	-03D 10 CAD)				13	
Spot	<u>14-Mar</u>	<u>day Δ</u>	<u>-5 days</u>	<u>-1 mnth</u>	<u>-1 year</u>	
USDCAD	\$0.993	+0.004	0.997	0.999	0.991	
EURUSD	\$1.303	-0.005	1.315	1.313	1.390	
USDJPY	¥83.73	+0.790	81.090	78.44	79.59	
AUDUSD	\$1.045	-0.010	1.058	1.069	0.984	

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The Equities Roll



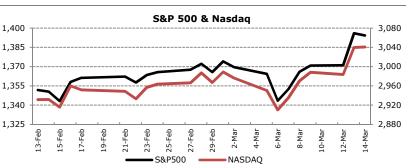
ASSOCIATION				Thursday, March 15, 2012					
	<u>14-Mar</u>	<u>day Δ</u>	<u>%</u>	12,850	S&P/TSX Composite				
S&P/TSX	12,377.90	-159.79	-1.27%	12,700					
	Trailing	<u>S&P/TSX</u>	<u>TSX 60</u>	12,550					
	5-day	+0.22%	+0.21%	12,550	\sim $) \sim \wedge$				
	1-month	+0.19%	-0.02%	12,400					
	3-months	+7.23%	+6.89%						
	6-months	+0.69%	+0.41%	12,250					
	12-months	-9.11%	-10.64%		13-Feb 15-Feb 19-Feb 23-Feb 23-Feb 29-Feb 4-Mar 6-Mar 8-Mar 110-Mar 114-Mar				
TSX Sector Retu	<u>ırns</u>				TSX Top Performers				
	<u>1-day</u>	<u>5-day</u>	<u>1-mnth</u>	12-mnths	<u>Ranked by 1-day 1-day 5-day 1-mnth 12-mnths</u>				
C. Discretionary	-0.71%	+1.65%	+5.40%	-7.20%	Industrial Alliance Insur +10.97% +16.16% +20.58% -24.23%				
C. Staples	-1.02%	+3.80%	+5.16%	+7.39%	Manulife Financial Corp +6.64% +14.32% +14.81% -15.79%				
Energy	-2.08%	-1.47%	-2.19%	-19.77%	Power Financial Corp +5.23% +8.40% +9.84% -0.43%				
Financials	+0.61%	+3.71%	+4.75%	-5.41%	Power Corp Of Canada +4.87% +8.53% +9.40% -0.29%				
Healthcare	-0.54%	+0.43%	+7.27%	+18.27%	Sun Life Financial Inc +4.48% +9.39% +8.44% -24.58%				
Info Tech	-0.15%	+3.63%	-0.23%	-22.20%					
Industrials	-1.06%	+1.53%	-2.93%	-1.53%	TSX Worst Performers				
Materials	-3.34%	-3.76%	-5.72%	-16.98%	<u>Ranked by 1-day 1-day 5-day 1-mnth 12-mnths</u>				

-18.01%

+14.91%

+7.20%

<u>ISX Worst Performers</u>				
<u>Ranked by 1-day</u>	<u>1-day</u>	<u>5-day</u>	<u>1-mnth</u>	<u>12-mnths</u>
Premier Gold Mines Ltd	-9.52%	-2.26%	-15.63%	-26.58%
Guyana Goldfields Inc	-9.42%	-22.16%	-49.18%	-57.34%
Great Basin Gold Ltd	-8.54%	-15.73%	-23.47%	-69.88%
Detour Gold Corp	-7.62%	-4.43%	-10.57%	-15.50%
Crew Energy Inc	-7.46%	-9.21%	-20.08%	-40.40%



<u>S&P</u>	500	Sector	Returns

Trailing

14-Mar

1-day

5-day

1-month

3-months

6-months

12-months

Metals & Mining

Telecom

Utilities

<u>US Indices</u>

-3.11%

-1.09%

-1.11%

S&P 500

1,394.28

-0.12%

+3.08%

+3.24%

+15.06%

+17.30%

+7.55%

-0.11%

-0.11%

-0.20%

DJIA

13,194.10

+0.12%

+2.78%

+2.45%

+11.59%

+17.31%

+10.01%

-6.06%

+1.80%

+1.87%

Nasdaq

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+0.03%

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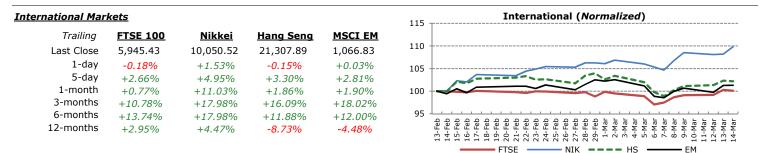
+3.71%

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	<u>1-day</u>	<u>5-day</u>	<u>1-mnth</u>	12-mnths	DJIA Top Performers			
C. Discretionary	-0.07%	+2.80%	+4.20%	+15.55%	<u>Ranked by 1-day</u>	<u>1-day</u>	<u>5-day</u>	<u>1-mnth</u>
C. Staples	-0.25%	+1.73%	+2.38%	+13.91%	Bank Of America Corp	+4.12%	+10.22%	+9.54%
Energy	-1.00%	+0.32%	+0.38%	-1.49%	American Express Co	+3.50%	+7.42%	+8.38%
Financials	+0.02%	+5.46%	+5.97%	-5.86%	Boeing Co/The	+1.24%	+2.33%	+0.37%
Healthcare	-0.02%	+2.97%	+1.92%	+13.63%				
Info Tech	+0.63%	+4.39%	+5.85%	+17.95%	DJIA Worst Performer	<u>'S</u>		
Industrials	-0.16%	+3.65%	+0.89%	+3.10%	<u>Ranked by 1-day</u>	<u>1-day</u>	<u>5-day</u>	<u>1-mnth</u>
Materials	-0.46%	+2.32%	+0.40%	-0.88%	Walt Disney Co/The	-1.20%	+4.14%	+4.90%
Telecom	-0.51%	+1.78%	+4.26%	+6.64%	Exxon Mobil Corp	-0.97%	+0.22%	+2.67%
Utilities	-1.42%	+0.68%	+0.52%	+9.63%	Hewlett-Packard Co	-0.94%	-0.08%	-15.22%



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<u>12-mnths</u> -36.68% +28.67% +7.95%

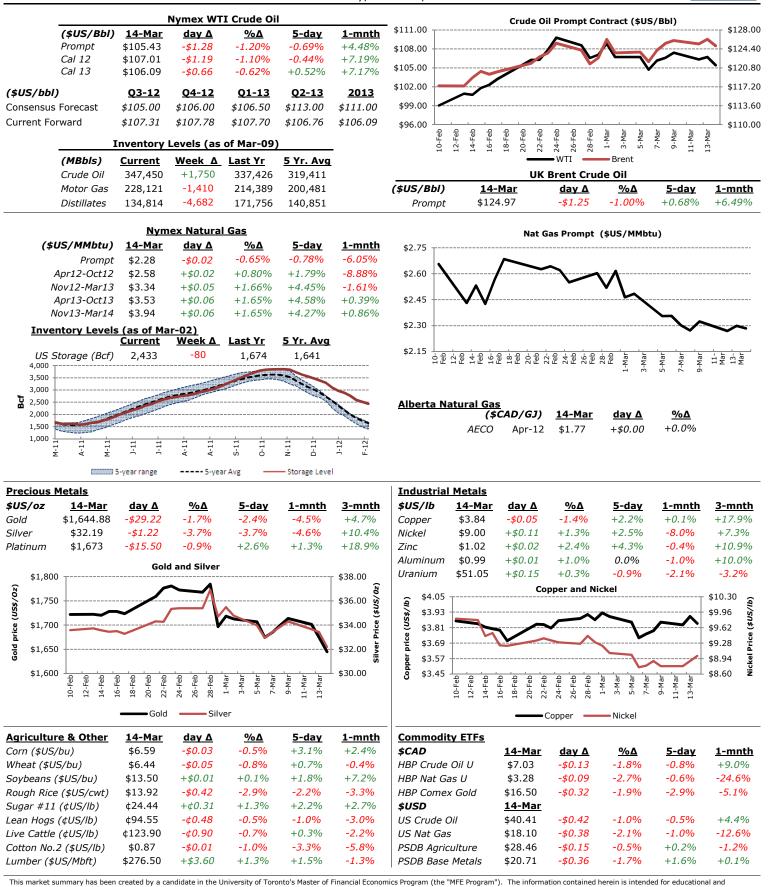
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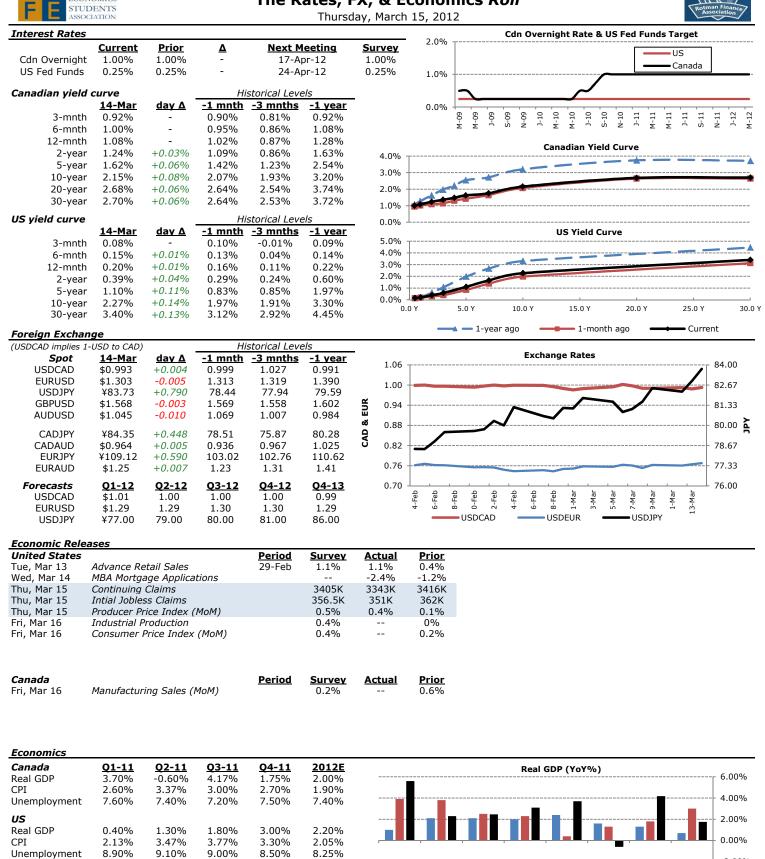


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The Rates, FX, & Economics Roll





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Canada US Eurozone

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9.70%

9.50%

9.10%

8.90%

8.50%

China

Real GDP

-2.00%