

The Daily Roll

Market Recap
Tuesday, September 25, 2012



S&P 500

Today's Commentary

Clashing European leaders lead North American equity markets to another day of declines on Monday. Germany's building frustration with Spain also sent commodity markets down. WTI crude fell 1.03%, while industrial metals copper, nickel, zinc and aluminum all fell by 1.0% or more causing a significant decline of 2.62% in the TSX Materials sector. Coupled with a 1.24% decline in Energy sector prices, the Materials sector helped drop the S&P/TSX 0.57% by the end of trading. US equity markets were not unscathed either as the S&P 500 and DJIA fell by 0.22% and 0.15%, respectively. The Federal Reserve's QE3 appears to be completing its objective as US rates continue to fall. The additional \$40 billion of monthly asset purchases lowered yields on the US 10 and 30-year bonds by 4 and 5 basis points, respectively. The yield curve north of the border followed a similar pattern yesterday, as yields on the 5 through 30-year Canadian notes all fell by 3 basis points.

It appears that Germany's patience is running thin with the Spanish government and, in particular, Prime Minister Mariano Rajoy. Germany's main focus is for Spain to recapitalize its banks – using a 100 billion euro banking aid package agreed upon in June – but is becoming increasingly suspicious Rajoy's ability to contain his country's fiscal problems. There is growing speculation amongst investors that Spain will need further bailout funds in the near future, prompting a German finance spokesperson to claim that "Rajoy has a communications problem. If he needs help he must say so." The euro retracted on these statements, falling 0.6% to \$1.2899 USD as investors anticipate the ECB will again fire up its euro printing press to help Spain.

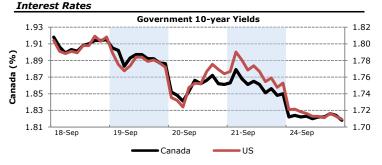
Signs of a Chinese hard landing have started showing themselves in one of the strongest economies in the world: Australia. The AUD appreciated more than any other major currency in the three and a half years after 2008; however, August proved to be a much different story for the Aussie. Australia's dollar has dropped 1.5% in the last two months against a weighted index of major currencies due to declines in the country's exports of iron ore and other commodities to China. It also appears that investors are now positioning themselves for interest rate cuts by the Australian central bank as fears of falling exports to China continue to grow.

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Today's Major Economic Releases

| United States | <u>Period</u> | Survey | <u>Actual</u> | Prior |
|---------------------|---------------|--------|---------------|-------|
| Consumer Confidence | 31-Aug | 63.1 | | 60.6 |

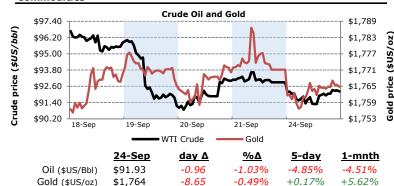
| Canada | Period | Survey | <u>Actual</u> | <u>Prior</u> |
|--------------------|---------------|--------|---------------|--------------|
| Retail Sales (MoM) | 30-Jun | 0.2% | | -0.4% |



Equities



Commodities



Foreign Exchange



| | (USDCAD in | nplies \$1-USD to | CAD) | Historical levels | | | | | | | |
|---|------------|-------------------|--------|-------------------|----------------|---------|--|--|--|--|--|
| | Spot | 24-Sep | day ∆ | -5 days | <u>-1 mnth</u> | -1 year | | | | | |
| | USDCAD | \$0.979 | +0.002 | 0.975 | 0.992 | 1.055 | | | | | |
| | EURUSD | \$1.293 | -0.005 | 1.312 | 1.251 | 1.318 | | | | | |
| ? | USDJPY | ¥77.85 | -0.320 | 78.710 | 78.67 | 76.63 | | | | | |
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| | 24-Sep | <u>day ∆</u> | | | | |
| Canada | 1.82% | -0.032% | | | | |
| Jnited States | 1.71% | -0.043% | | | | |

| | Historical levels | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|-------------------|----------|---------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| | <u>-1 mnth</u> | -3 mnths | -1 year | | | | | | | | | | |
| 6 | 1.83% | 1.75% | 2.08% | | | | | | | | | | |
| 6 | 1.69% | 1.63% | 1.83% | | | | | | | | | | |

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3-months

6-months

12-months

+5 90%

-0.27%

+15.24%

+3.08%

-9.41%

+5.95%

+8 95%

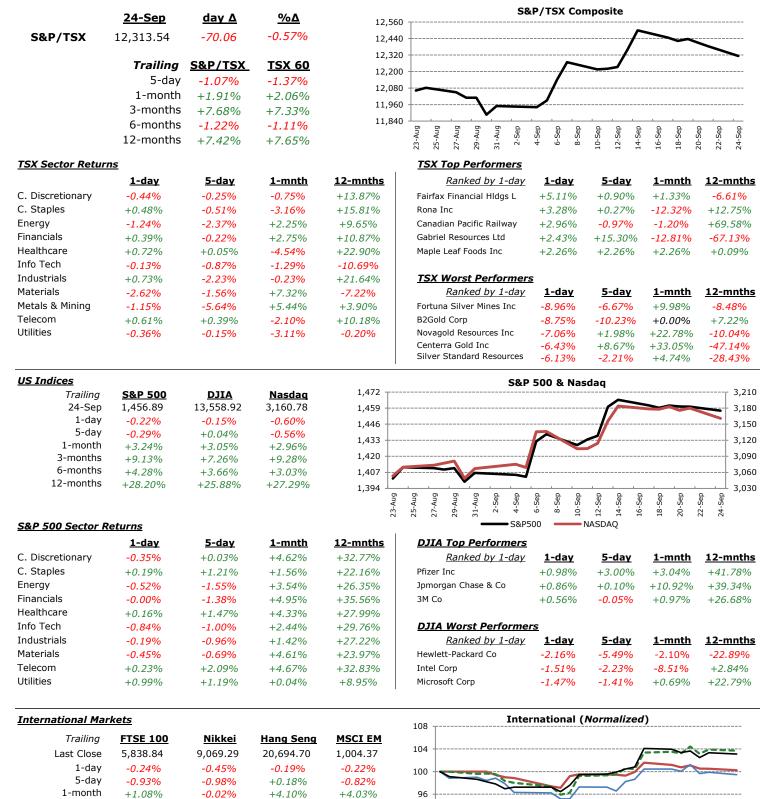
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+17.13%

The Equities Roll

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23-Aug

27-Aug

2-Sep 4-Sep

6-Sep 8-Sep

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31-Aug

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29-Aug

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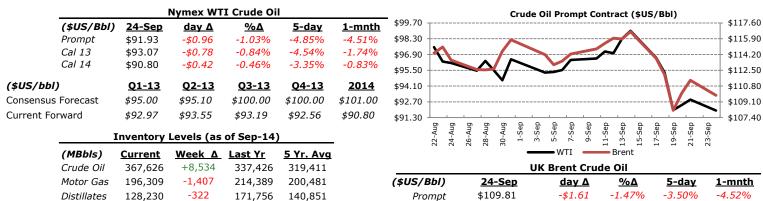
24-Sep

\$US/oz

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S-12

3-mnth

Industrial Metals

24-Sep

\$3.75

\$US/Ib

Copper

Storage Level

1-mnth

| (\$US/MMbtu) | 24-Sep | <u>day Δ</u> | <u>%∆</u> | <u>5-day</u> | 1-mnth |
|-------------------------|-----------|---------------|-----------|------------------|--------|
| Prompt | \$2.84 | -\$0.05 | -1.66% | -0.98% | +1.25% |
| Nov12-Mar13 | \$3.37 | -\$0.03 | -0.79% | +1.65% | +0.84% |
| Apr13-Oct13 | \$3.60 | -\$0.02 | -0.47% | +1.94% | +1.79% |
| Nov13-Mar14 | \$4.00 | -\$0.02 | -0.38% | +2.20% | +1.27% |
| Apr14-Oct14 | \$3.97 | -\$0.02 | -0.43% | +2.19% | +2.04% |
| Inventory Levels | (as of Se | p-14) | | | |
| | Current | Week D | Last Yr | <u>5 Yr. Avg</u> | |
| US Storage (Bcf) | 3,496 | +67 | 3,201 | 3,218 | |
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| 3,000 | | | | | |

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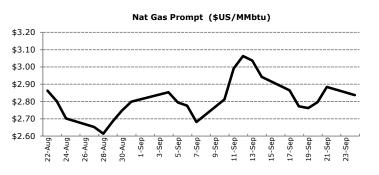
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|-------------------|-----------|---------------|--------------|-------|
| (| \$CAD/GJ) | <u>24-Sep</u> | <u>day ∆</u> | %Δ |
| AECO | Oct-12 | \$2.30 | -\$0.07 | -3.0% |

day ∆

-\$0.06

| <u>Agr</u> | Agriculture & Other 24-Sep day Δ %Δ 5-day 1-mnth | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| | \$1,600 | 22-Aug | 24-Aug | 26-Aug | 28-Aug | 30-Aug | 1-Sep | 3-Sep | 5-Sep | 7-Sep | 9-Sep | 11-Sep | 13-Sep | 15-Sep | 17-Sep | 19-Sep | 21-Sep | 23-Sep | [⊥] \$2 | 8.00 | | |
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| ice (L | \$1,700 | + | | | | | | - | = | / | | | | | | | | | - \$3 | 2.00 | Price (| |
| Gold price (<i>US\$/Oz</i>) | \$1,750 | + | | | | | | | | F | | ~ | | - | | | | | \$3 | 4.00 | zo/sn\$) | |
| ଚ | \$1,800 | T | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | r \$3 | 6.00 | (Z | |
| | | | | | | | (| Solo | l an | d Si | lver | - | | | | | | | | | | |
| Plat | inum | \$ | 1,62 | 22 | | -\$1 | 4.0 | 0 | - | 0.9 | % | | -2. | 6% |) | + | 4.6 | % | + | 13.6 | % | |
| Silv | er | \$3 | 33.9 | 99 | | -\$(|). <i>5</i> 4 | 4 | - | 1.6 | % | | -0. | 6% |) | +. | 10.4 | 1% | + | 25.4 | 1% | |
| Gold | 1 | \$1, | 764 | .45 | | -\$8 | 3.6 | 5 | - | 0.5 | % | | +0 | .2% | Ó | + | 5.6 | % | + | 12.2 | 2% | |

| Nick | cel | \$8 | 3.3 | 7 | | -\$0 | .09 |) | -1 | 1.0 | % | | -0. | .8% | ó | 4 | -8 | 1% | | +3 | 10.0 |)% |
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| Zinc | : | \$1 | 1.0 | 1 | | -\$0 | .02 | | -2 | 2.3 | % | | -0. | 4% | ó | + | 10. | 5% | ó | +3 | 12.8 | 3% |
| Alur | ninum | \$(| و.0 | 4 | | -\$0 | .01 | | -1 | 1.1 | % | | -4. | .1% | ó | + | 10. | 6% | ó | +3 | 14.6 | 5% |
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| 1/\$5 | \$3.80 | | | | | | | | | | | | -/ | | | | <u></u> | | + | \$8.3 | 30 | (41/SN\$) |
| (NS | \$3.70 | | | | | | | | | | | | J | | | | | | + | \$8.0 | 00 | |
| Copper price (US\$/1b) | \$3.60 | - | - | | - | ~ | | | | L | | | | | | | | | + | \$7.7 | 70 | Nickel Price |
| per | \$3.50 | / | | | | | | | X | | | | | | | | | | + | \$7.4 | 10 | kel |
| Cop | \$3.40 | 22-Aug | 24-Aug | 26-Aug | 28-Aug | 30-Aug | 1-Sep | 3-Sep | 5-Sep | 7-Sep | 9-Sep | 11-Sep | 13-Sep | 15-Sep | 17-Sep | 19-Sep | 21-Sep | 23-Sep | Τ | \$7.1 | .0 | Σ̈́ |
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Copper —

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-1.7%

Nickel

1-mnth

+7.5%

3-mnth

+13.1%

| Agriculture & Other | 24-Sep | day ∆ | <u>%∆</u> | <u>5-day</u> | 1-mnth | Commodity ETFs | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|----------|---------|-----------|--------------|--------|------------------|---------|---------|-----------|--------------|--------|
| Corn (\$US/bu) | \$7.45 | -\$0.04 | -0.5% | -0.4% | -7.9% | \$CAD | 24-Sep | day ∆ | <u>%∆</u> | <u>5-day</u> | 1-mnth |
| Wheat (\$US/bu) | \$8.92 | -\$0.05 | -0.6% | +1.6% | +0.4% | HBP Crude Oil U | \$4.69 | -\$0.11 | -2.3% | -9.2% | -9.3% |
| Soybeans (\$US/bu) | \$16.10 | -\$0.12 | -0.7% | -3.5% | -7.0% | HBP Nat Gas U | \$13.07 | -\$0.17 | -1.3% | +0.8% | +1.5% |
| Rough Rice (\$US/cwt) | \$15.19 | -\$0.05 | -0.4% | -0.7% | -3.2% | HBP Comex Gold | \$17.62 | -\$0.09 | -0.5% | +0.4% | +5.4% |
| Sugar #11 (¢US/lb) | ¢20.27 | +¢0.20 | +1.0% | -2.5% | -0.1% | \$USD | 24-Sep | | | | |
| Lean Hogs (¢US/lb) | ¢75.35 | +¢0.38 | +0.5% | +2.7% | +6.8% | US Crude Oil | \$34.09 | -\$0.40 | -1.2% | -4.6% | -4.5% |
| Live Cattle (¢US/lb) | ¢128.40 | -¢0.07 | -0.1% | +0.1% | +0.4% | US Nat Gas | \$19.58 | -\$0.14 | -0.7% | +0.7% | +6.5% |
| Cotton No.2 (\$US/lb) | \$0.73 | -\$0.01 | -1.0% | -3.8% | -3.6% | PSDB Agriculture | \$29.51 | -\$0.27 | -0.9% | -1.3% | -1.3% |
| Lumber (\$US/Mbft) | \$275.40 | -\$2.60 | -0.9% | -0.2% | -5.7% | PSDB Base Metals | \$19.73 | -\$0.18 | -0.9% | -0.5% | +8.9% |

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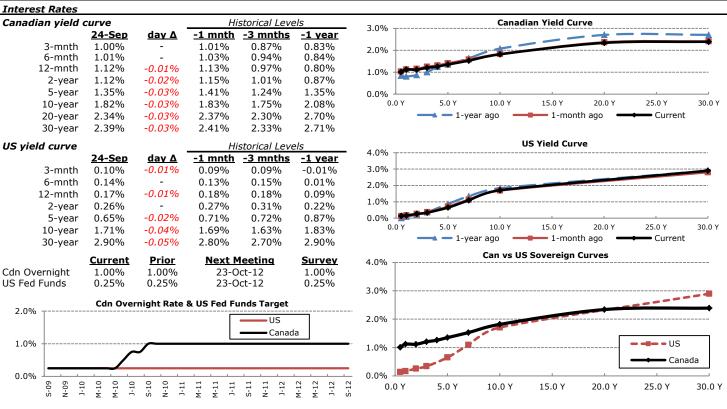
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| Foreign Exchar | ıge |
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| (USDCAD implies 1 | -US |

| USDCAD implies 1-USD to CAD) | | | Hi | storical Leve | els | | | | Historical Levels | | | |
|------------------------------|---------|--------|---------|---------------|---------|--------|---------|--------|-------------------|----------|---------|--|
| Spot | 24-Sep | day ∆ | -1 mnth | -3 mnths | -1 year | Spot | 24-Sep | day ∆ | -1 mnth | -3 mnths | -1 year | |
| USDCAD | \$0.979 | +0.002 | 0.992 | 1.024 | 1.055 | CADJPY | ¥79.54 | -0.504 | 79.28 | 77.66 | 72.66 | |
| EURUSD | \$1.293 | -0.005 | 1.251 | 1.249 | 1.318 | CADAUD | \$0.980 | +0.001 | 0.969 | 0.970 | 0.995 | |
| USDJPY | ¥77.85 | -0.320 | 78.67 | 79.52 | 76.63 | GBPCAD | £1.588 | +0.003 | 1.569 | 1.602 | 1.628 | |
| GBPUSD | \$1.622 | -0.001 | 1.581 | 1.564 | 1.543 | EURJPY | ¥100.67 | -0.790 | 98.44 | 99.32 | 100.97 | |
| AUDUSD | \$1.043 | -0.003 | 1.040 | 1.006 | 0.953 | EURAUD | \$1.24 | -0.001 | 1.20 | 1.24 | 1.38 | |

Economic Releases

| United States | | <u>Period</u> | Survey | <u>Actual</u> | <u>Prior</u> |
|---------------|---------------------------|---------------|---------|---------------|--------------|
| Tue, Sep 25 | Consumer Confidence | 31-Aug | 63.1 | | 60.6 |
| Wed, Sep 26 | MBA Mortgage Applications | 21-Sep | | | -0.2% |
| Wed, Sep 26 | New Home Sales | 31-Aug | 380K | | 372K |
| Thu, Sep 27 | Durable Goods Orders | 31-Aug | -5% | | 4.2% |
| Thu, Sep 27 | Continuing Claims | 15-Sep | 3287.5K | | 3272K |
| Thu, Sep 27 | Intial Jobless Claims | 22-Sep | 375K | | 382K |
| Thu, Sep 27 | GDP QoQ (Annualized) | 30-Sep | 1.7% | | 1.7% |
| Fri, Sep 28 | Personal Income | 31-Aug | 0.2% | | 0.3% |

| Canada | | <u>Period</u> | Survey | <u>Actual</u> | <u>Prior</u> |
|-------------|--------------------|---------------|--------|---------------|--------------|
| Tue, Sep 25 | Retail Sales (MoM) | 30-Jun | 0.2% | | -0.4% |
| Fri, Sep 28 | GDP MoM | 31-Jul | 0.1% | | 0.2% |

Economics

| Economics | | | | | | | |
|------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|---|--------------------|
| Canada Real GDP | Q3-11 4.48% | Q4-11 1.87% | Q1-12 1.81% | Q2-12 1.82% | 2012E 2.00% | Real GDP (YoY%) | ₋ 6.00% |
| CPI Unemployment | 3.00% 7.20% | 2.70% 7.50% | 2.33% 7.20% | 1.57% 7.20% | 1.70% 7.30% | | 4.00% |
| US Real GDP CPI Unemployment | 1.30% 3.77% 9.00% | 4.10% 3.30% 8.50% | 2.00% 2.83% 8.20% | 1.70% 1.90% 8.20% | 2.20% 2.00% 8.20% | | - 2.00% - 0.00% |
| China Real GDP | 9.10% | 8.90% | 8.10% | 7.60% | 7.70% | Q3-10 Q4-10 Q1-11 Q2-11 Q3-11 Q4-11 Q1-12 Q2-12 | 2.009 |

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