

# The Daily Roll

Market Recap

Monday, December 03, 2012



#### Today's Commentary

The S&P 500 ended 2 basis points higher than it opened on Friday, marking a two week rally. U.S. Treasury yields suggest that there remains a considerable amount of concern among investors about the ability of Washington to negotiate a deal to avert the fiscal cliff, 10 year yields have fallen 7 basis points over the course of the last month. Gold prices tumbled on Wednesday and again on Friday, ending the week at 1715 on similar sentiment. The S&P/TSX composite closed higher, moving up to 12,239, led by the Healthcare and Mining sectors. The Nikkei and Hang Send were up 48 and 49 basis points, respectively, while the FTSE 100 fell 0.06 percent.

Democrats are taking a hard line on the key point of contention in the ongoing fiscal cliff debate, which concerns a tax increase on the wealthiest 2 percent of Americans in order to offset fiscal spending and continued tax breaks for the less wealthy. Treasury Secretary Timothy Geithner reiterated the plan on Sunday, emphasizing that it was now up to the Republican Party to make a counteroffer, stating that "The ball really is with them now... They don't have that much time though." House Speaker John Boehner's response when the plan was first presented last week was "You can't be serious", as he dismissed the offer as an attempt to avoid making a deal. It seems markets will remain in limbo until a compromise of some sort is reached.

While the Eurozone is experiencing its worst manufacturing slump since the financial crisis in 2009, hopeful numbers on Monday suggested that China may be picking up some of the slack. HSBC's China manufacturing Purchasing Managers' Survey (PMI) was above 50 points for the first time since October 2011, with a reading over 50 indicating growth from the previous month. However, some analysts are concerned that the higher growth can be attributed to government investment, and that small to medium sized companies are not taking part in the recovery. Indeed, manufacturing numbers in South Korea and Taiwan are not reflecting the same level of growth, as they are yet to pull out of the slowdown that spread across Asia in late summer. Meanwhile, manufacturing numbers in the U.S. to be released later today are expected to show growth has diminished slightly from the prior month.

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#### Today's Major Economic Releases

Master of Financial Economics Program

United States	<u>Period</u>	<u>Survey</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Prior</u>
ISM Manufacturing	30-Nov	51.4	51.7	51.5

Canada Period Survey Actual Prior

#### Interest Rates Government 10-year Yields 1.78 1.69 1.76 1.67 Canada (%) 1.65 1.72 1.63 1.70 1.61 26-Nov 27-Nov 28-Nov 29-Nov 30-Nov

Canada

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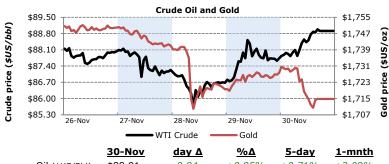
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#### **Equities**



#### Commodities



 Oil (\$US/BbI)
 \$88.91
 0.84
 +0.95%
 +0.71%
 +2.09%

 Gold (\$US/oz)
 \$1,715
 -10.9
 -0.63%
 -2.18%
 -0.34%

### Foreign Exchange



	(USDCAD implies \$1-USD to CAD)					
	Spot	30-Nov	day ∆			
	USDCAD	\$0.994	+0.002			
_	EURUSD	\$1.299	+0.001			
8	USDJPY	¥82.48	+0.360			
<u>s</u>						

-5 days	-1 mnth	-1 year
0.993	0.997	1.027
1.298	1.294	1.319
82.400	80.12	77.94

Historical levels

Government 10-year Yields				
	30-Nov	day ∆		
Canada	1.70%	-0.007%		
United States	1.62%	0.001%		

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-1 mnth	-3 mnths	-1 year					
1.79%	1.77%	2.14%					
1.69%	1.55%	2.09%					

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3-months

6-months

12-months

+2 58%

+10.75%

+6.56%

+5 15%

+9.42%

+11.99%

+12.67%

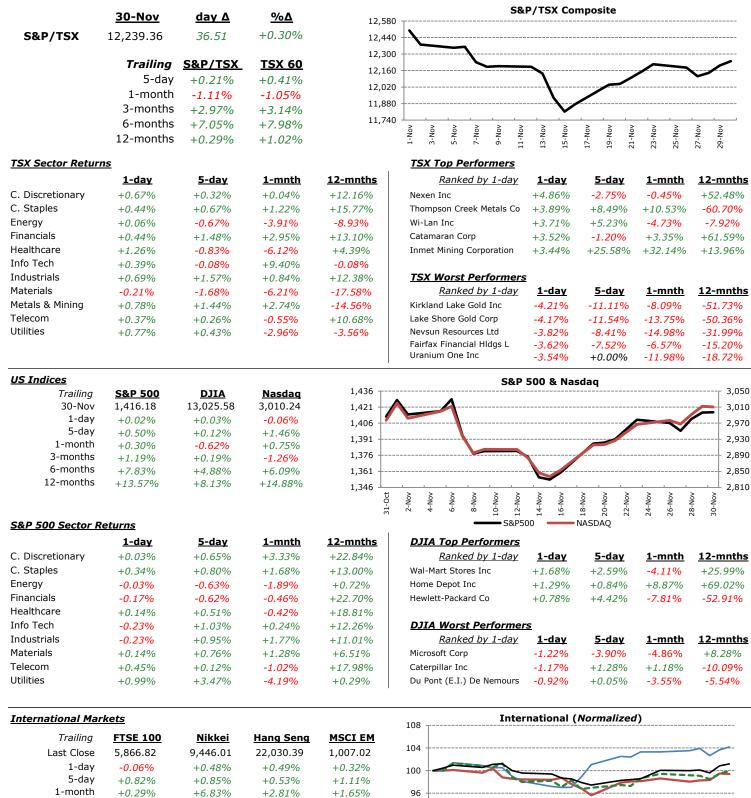
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+22.46%

# The Equities Roll

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8-Nov 9-Nov

FTSE

NIK

11-Nov 112-Nov 113-Nov 15-Nov 115-Nov 116-Nov 116-Nov 20-Nov 21-Nov 21-N

HS

+6.63%

+10.92%

+8.48%

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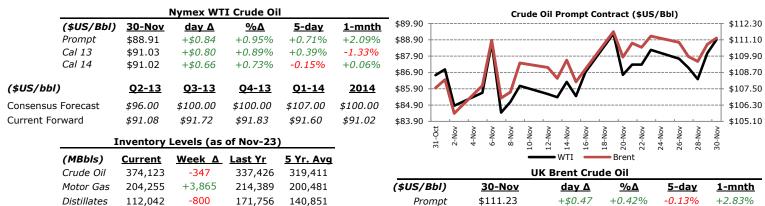
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5-year range

## The Commodities Roll

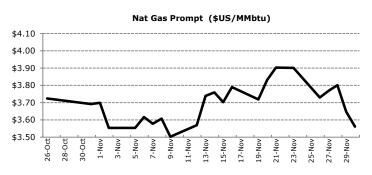
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Nymex Natural Gas							
(\$US/MMbtu)	30-Nov	day ∆	<u>%∆</u>	<u>5-day</u>	1-mnth		
Prompt	\$3.56	-\$0.09	-2.38%	-8.72%	-3.55%		
Jan13-Mar13	\$3.58	-\$0.08	-2.12%	-10.75%	-11.05%		
Apr13-Oct13	\$3.67	-\$0.07	-1.86%	-9.31%	-9.06%		
Nov13-Mar14	\$4.06	-\$0.07	-1.64%	-7.25%	-7.18%		
Apr14-Oct14	\$4.00	-\$0.04	-1.05%	-5.39%	-4.94%		
Inventory Levels (as of Nov-23)							
	Current	Week <b>D</b>	Last Yr	5 Yr. Avg			
US Storage (Bcf)	3,877	+4	3,851	3,687			
4,500							
3,500							
Apr14-Oct14 Inventory Levels US Storage (Bcf) 4,500	\$4.00 (as of No Current	-\$0.04 ev-23) Week Δ	-1.05% Last Yr	-5.39% 5 Yr. Avg			

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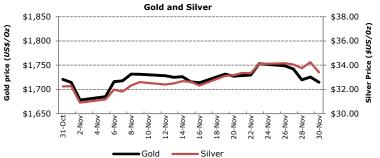


	Alberta Natural Gas				
		AD/GJ)	30-Nov	<u>day ∆</u>	<u>%∆</u>
	AECO	Jan-13	\$3.03	-\$0.08	-2.6%
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<u>Precious</u>	<u>Metals</u>					
\$US/oz	30-Nov	day ∆	<u>%∆</u>	<u>5-day</u>	1-mnth	3-mnth
Gold	\$1,714.80	-\$10.90	-0.6%	-2.2%	-0.3%	+1.3%
Silver	\$33.41	-\$0.83	-2.4%	-2.0%	+3.6%	+5.3%
Platinum	\$1,603	-\$10.00	-0.6%	-1.1%	+2.1%	+4.1%
Gold and Silver						

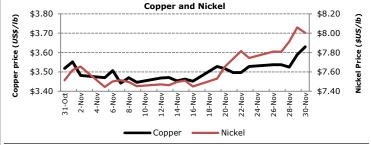
---- 5-year Avg

Storage Level



	Gold	3110	ei		
Agriculture & Other	30-Nov	day ∆	<u>%∆</u>	<u>5-day</u>	1-mnth
Corn (\$US/bu)	\$7.53	-\$0.06	-0.8%	+0.4%	-0.6%
Wheat (\$US/bu)	\$8.64	-\$0.22	-2.5%	+0.2%	-1.8%
Soybeans (\$US/bu)	\$14.39	-\$0.09	-0.6%	+1.4%	-7.1%
Rough Rice (\$US/cwt)	\$15.27	+\$0.16	+1.1%	+1.6%	+0.9%
Sugar #11 (¢US/lb)	¢19.34	+¢0.00	+0.0%	+1.0%	-0.6%
Lean Hogs (¢US/lb)	¢86.93	-¢0.20	-0.2%	-0.5%	+2.9%
Live Cattle (¢US/lb)	¢130.40	-¢1.70	-1.3%	-1.8%	+0.4%
Cotton No.2 (\$US/Ib)	\$0.74	+\$0.01	+0.8%	+3.5%	+3.5%
Lumber (\$US/Mbft)	\$340.10	-\$0.40	-0.1%	+6.9%	+2.7%

<u>Industrial</u>	Metals					
\$US/Ib	30-Nov	day ∆	<u>%∆</u>	<u>5-day</u>	1-mnth	3-mnth
Copper	\$3.63	+\$0.04	+1.1%	+2.9%	+3.2%	+5.1%
Nickel	\$8.00	-\$0.06	-0.7%	+3.3%	+6.5%	+6.9%
Zinc	\$1.00	+\$0.01	+1.0%	+5.4%	+10.3%	+11.8%
Aluminum	\$0.95	+\$0.02	+2.2%	+8.0%	+10.5%	+13.1%
Uranium	\$42.25	+\$0.00	0.0%	+1.2%	+1.8%	-12.0%



Commodity ETFs					
\$CAD	<u> 30-Nov</u>	day ∆	<u>%∆</u>	<u>5-day</u>	<u>1-mnth</u>
HBP Crude Oil U	\$4.20	+\$0.10	+2.4%	+1.9%	+2.2%
HBP Nat Gas U	\$13.87	-\$0.58	-4.0%	-20.7%	-12.9%
HBP Comex Gold	\$17.11	-\$0.10	-0.6%	-2.2%	-0.1%
\$USD	30-Nov				
US Crude Oil	\$32.56	+\$0.39	+1.2%	0.74%	+2.4%
US Nat Gas	\$20.39	-\$0.42	-2.0%	-11.31%	-6.9%
PSDB Agriculture	\$28.85	-\$0.23	-0.8%	0.42%	+0.1%
PSDB Base Metals	\$19.23	+\$0.29	+1.5%	4.40%	+7.1%

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Real GDP

8.90%

8.10%

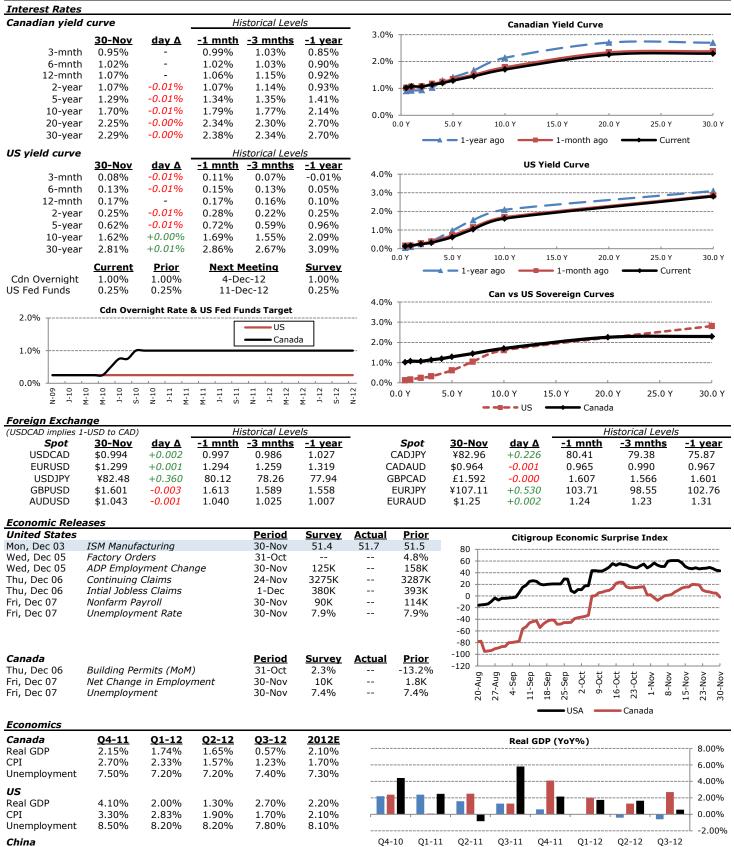
7.60%

7.40%

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7.70%

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