

The Daily Roll

Market Recap February 19, 2013



Today's Commentary

U.S. markets ended a mixed week with the Dow up 0.06 percent and the S&P 500 and Nasdaq down 0.10 and 0.21 percent respectively on Friday. Gold prices fell to a six-month low, dragging the S&P/TSX composite down 0.28 percent to close at 12,687. Weak Canadian manufacturing sales numbers also weighed on the index, while the materials sector dropped 2 percent, with Goldcorp and Barrick Gold losing 2.0 and 1.9 percent respectively. Meanwhile, a drop in U.S. industrial production pulled oil prices lower and negatively impacted energy stocks. The yen fell in response to a G20 statement on the weekend that avoided any criticism of Japan's monetary policy. Markets were closed for holidays in the U.S. and Canada

G20 policymakers made an effort to calm fears of currency wars during their meeting in Moscow on the weekend. The Japanese government, whose aggressive monetary and fiscal stimulus has pushed the yen down by about 20 percent against the USD since November, avoided any direct criticism. European Central Bank President Mario Draghi stated that "Most of the exchange rate movements that we have seen were not explicitly targeted, they were the result of domestic macroeconomic policies meant to boost the economy. . . In this sense, I find really excessive any language referring to currency wars." The yen dropped 0.5 percent against the USD and 0.3 percent against the euro following the G20 statement, as investors anticipate that Japanese Prime Minister Shinzo Abe's policies will proceed as planned. Abe is expected to appoint the next governor of the Bank of Japan this week, as the current governor steps down on March 19.

German investor confidence has risen to a three year high. The gauge has climbed to 48.2 from a 31.5 reading in January. The Bundesbank stated yesterday that it expects positive growth this quarter on the back of strong confidence and the strengthening global economy. German GDP fell 0.6 percent in the last quarter of 2012, more than the consensus forecast. For the coming year the German central bank expects GDP to grow 0.4 percent, slightly higher than the European Central Bank's estimate of 0.3 percent for the Eurozone as a whole. Mario Draghi, the ECB president, said yesterday that growth in the common currency zone should benefit as monetary stimulus works its ways through the system. A statement from the Bundesbank released yesterday reads, "For the first quarter of 2013 an expansion of overall economic output can be expected from today's perspective. For the remainder of the year, a gradual economic recovery in on the cards.

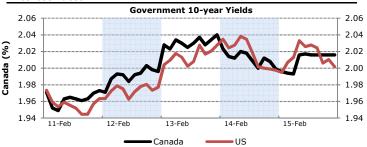
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Today's Major Economic Releases

United States	<u>Period</u>	Survey	<u>Actual</u>	Prior	
None Scheduled			-		

Canada Period Survey **Actual Prior** None Scheduled

Interest Rates Government 10-year Yields

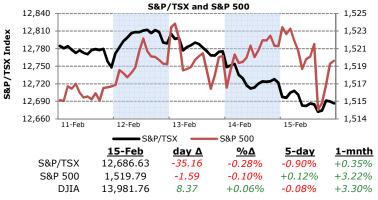


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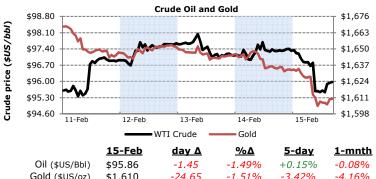
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Equities



Commodities



Gold (\$US/oz) \$1,610 -24.65 -1.51% -3.42% -4.16%

Foreign Exchange



(USDCAD implies \$1-USD to CAD)			Historical levels			
5	Spot	<u>15-Feb</u>	day ∆	<u>-5 days</u>	<u>-1 mnth</u>	-1 year
USD	CAD	\$1.006	+0.006	1.002	0.986	0.990
EUF	USD	\$1.336	-0.000	1.337	1.338	1.333
US	DJPY	¥93.50	+0.620	92.680	89.88	81.15

Government 10-year Yields 15-Feb dav A Canada 2.02% 0.017% **United States** 2.00% 0.004%

Historical levels				
<u>-1 mnth</u>	-3 mnths	-1 year		
1.89%	1.70%	2.03%		
1.82%	1.58%	1.98%		

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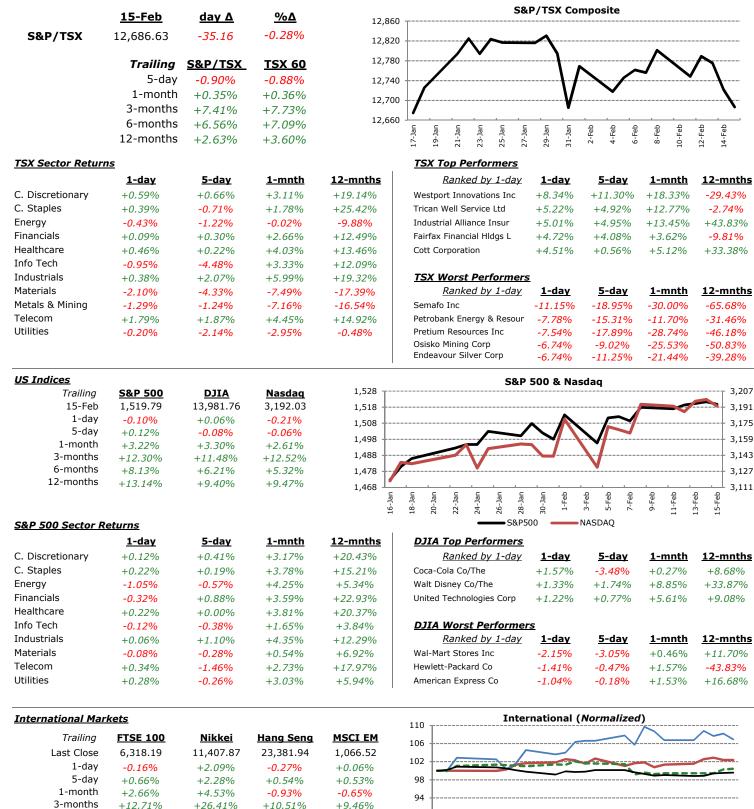
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The Equities Roll

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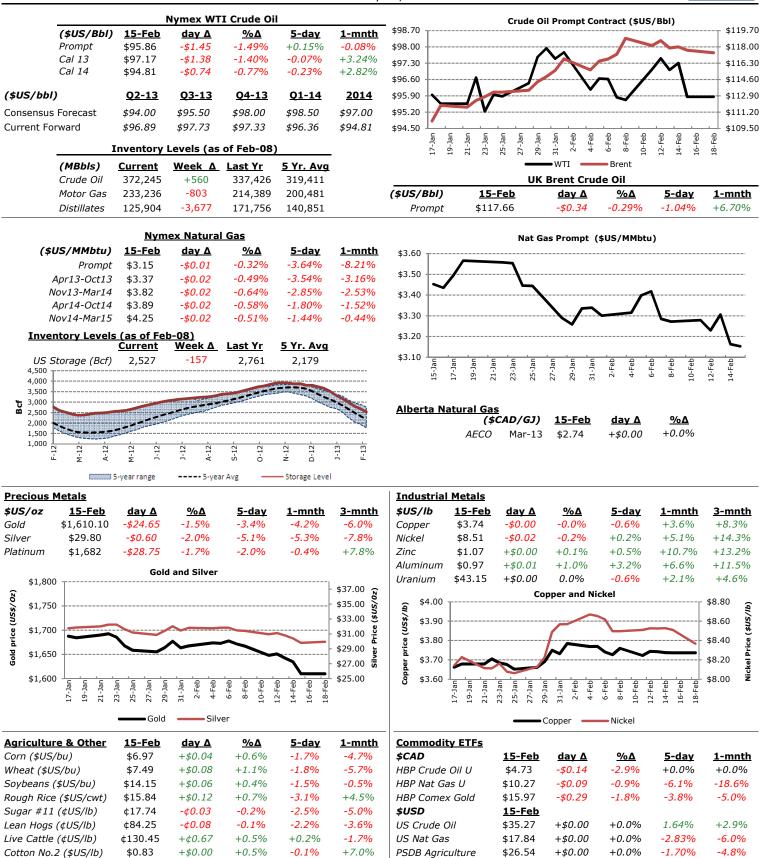
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PSDB Base Metals

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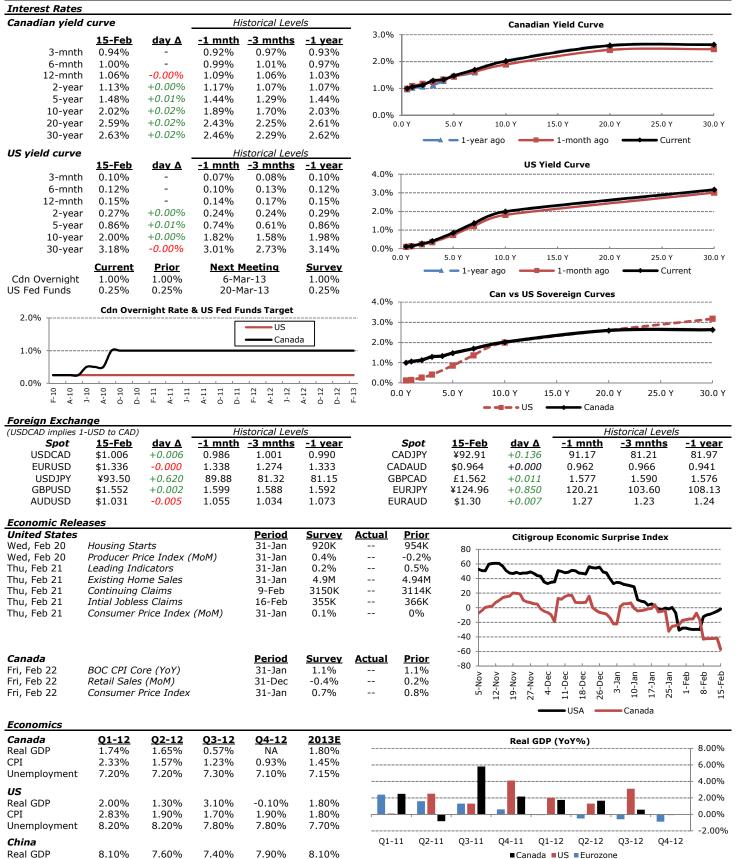
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