

The Daily Roll

Market Recap March 11, 2013



Today's Commentary

The S&P/TSX composite rose slightly on Friday to close at 12,836, while the S&P 500 and Nasdaq followed the Dow's momentum upward, gaining 0.45 and 0.38 percent respectively. The Dow capped four successive days of gains with a 66 point increase, setting yet another record high at 14,397, and gaining an impressive 2.18 percent on the week. Bullish employment numbers in the U.S. indicated that 236,000 new jobs were created in January, well ahead of estimates. WTI crude oil failed to follow the rally in equities last week as it closed at \$90.46 per barrel. Precious metals prices also remain in a consolidation period, although there was some recovery in mining shares on Friday, led by Iamgold (IMG) rising 5.5 percent. The biggest drag on the TSX was SNC-Lavalin Group, which reported weak fourth-quarter earnings, sending shares down 6.2 percent.

Protesters rallied in cities across Spain on Sunday to express their frustration with persistent unemployment and government corruption. Former treasurer Luis Barcenas has been accused of operating a government slush fund, and King Juan Carlos' son-in-law has allegedly embezzled millions of dollars. Meanwhile, Spain's unemployment rate sits at 26 percent and the economy is in the midst of a double dip recession. Spain is pursuing austerity policies that have been harshly criticized for damaging the country's growth prospects and adding to the jobless numbers. The fiscal spending cuts are aimed at bringing Spain's budget in line with promises made to European authorities. A spokesman from the Socialist Worker's Party released a statement saying that "Poverty in this country is rising at an alarming rate, we must say enough, right now."

Inflation expectations in the U.K. are close to a two year high while the central bank continues its focus on reviving sputtering growth in spite of rising consumer prices. The Bank of England has indicated that inflation will rise from the current 2.7 percent and will remain above the 2 percent target until 2016. Gross domestic product shrank in the fourth quarter by 0.3 percent, while inflation has remained above 2 percent for more than three years as a weaker pound has driven up import prices. The consumer price data has meant the spread between inflation linked bonds and non-linked debt has risen to 3.27 percent, from 2.67 percent earlier in the year. Mark Carney, the incoming head of the BOE, has indicated that he will be more flexible in terms of price controls as the central banks attempts to stop the economy from sliding back into a recession.

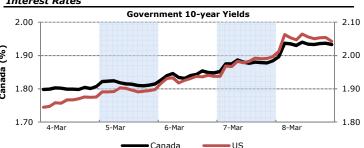
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Today's Major Economic Releases

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

Canada <u>Period</u> <u>Survey</u> <u>Actual</u> <u>Prior</u>

None Scheduled Interest Rates



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Equities



Crude Oil and Gold \$92.30 \$1,588 Crude price (*\$US/bbI*) \$91.80 \$1,584 /sn\$) \$1,580 \$91.30 \$90.80 \$1,576 price (\$90.30 \$1,572 \$89.80 \$1,568 Gold \$89.30 \$1,564 4-Mar 5-Mar 7-Mar WTI Crude Gold

	<u>8-Mar</u>	<u>day ∆</u>	<u>%∆</u>	<u>5-day</u>	<u>1-mnth</u>
Oil (\$US/BbI)	\$91.95	0.39	+0.43%	+1.40%	-4.05%
Gold (\$US/oz)	\$1,579	-0.17	-0.01%	+0.16%	-5.89%

Foreign Exchange **Exchange Rates** 1.330 0.975 1.320 (\$N\$) (**\$**0**\$**) 0.973 CADUSD EURUSD 0.971 .300 1.290 0.969 0.967 1.280 5-Mar 6-Mar 7-Mai 8-Mar • CADUSD EURUSD

	(USDCAD implies \$1-USD to CAD)			Historical levels			
	Spot	<u>8-Mar</u>	day ∆	-5 days	<u>-1 mnth</u>	-1 year	
	USDCAD	\$1.029	-0.001	1.027	0.996	0.992	
	EURUSD	\$1.301	-0.010	1.302	1.352	1.323	
?	USDJPY	¥96.00	+1.180	93.590	93.64	83.70	
	Government 10-year Yields			Historical levels			
		<u>8-Mar</u>	day ∆	-1 mnth	-3 mnths	-1 year	
	Canada	1.93%	0.049%	2.00%	1.71%	2.01%	

0.046%

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2.04%



United States

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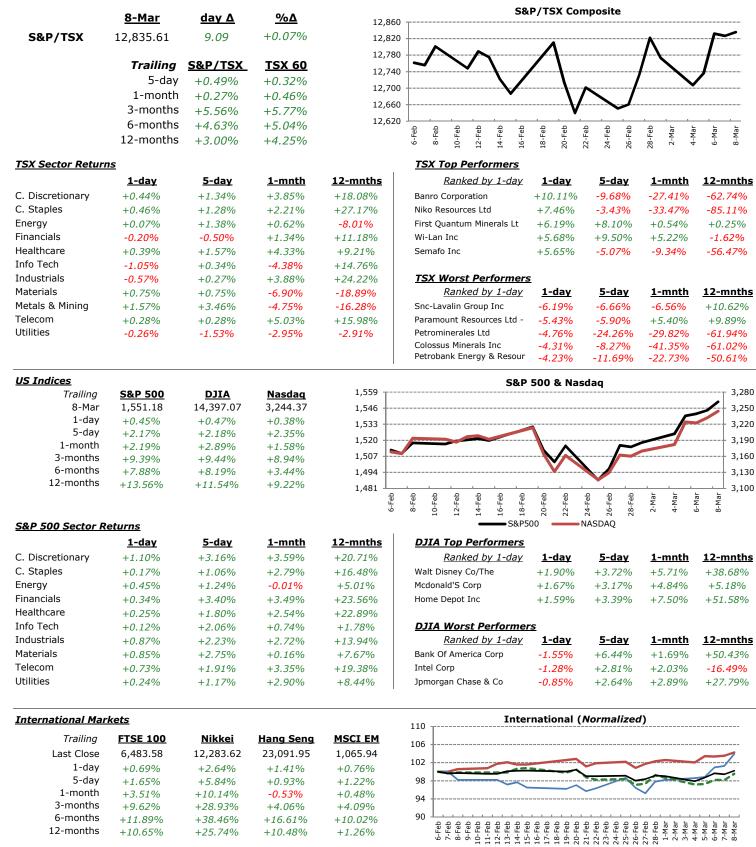
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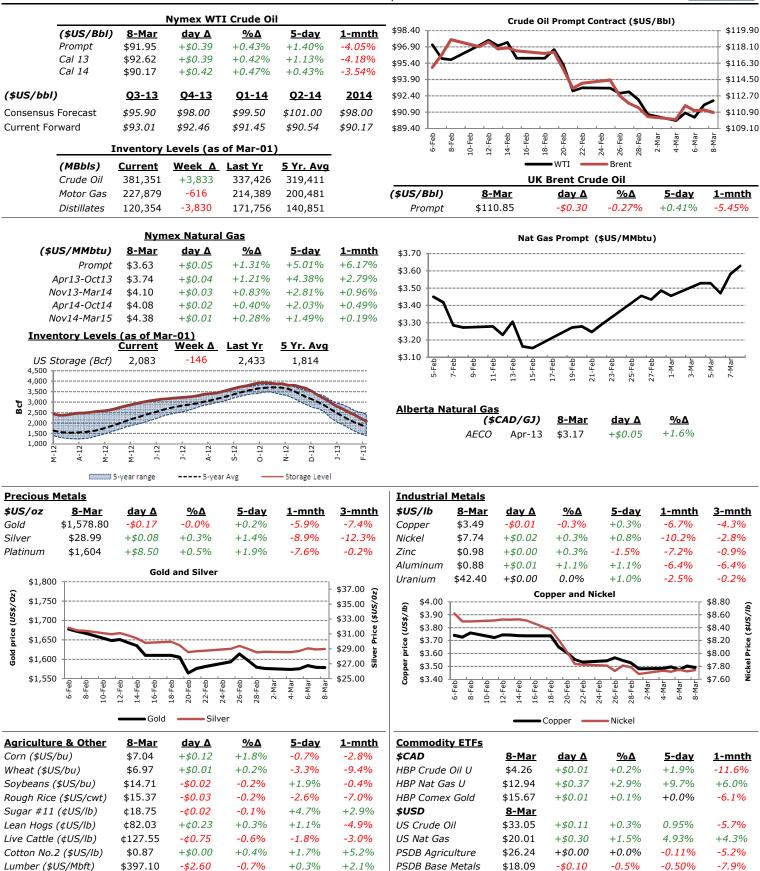
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Real GDP

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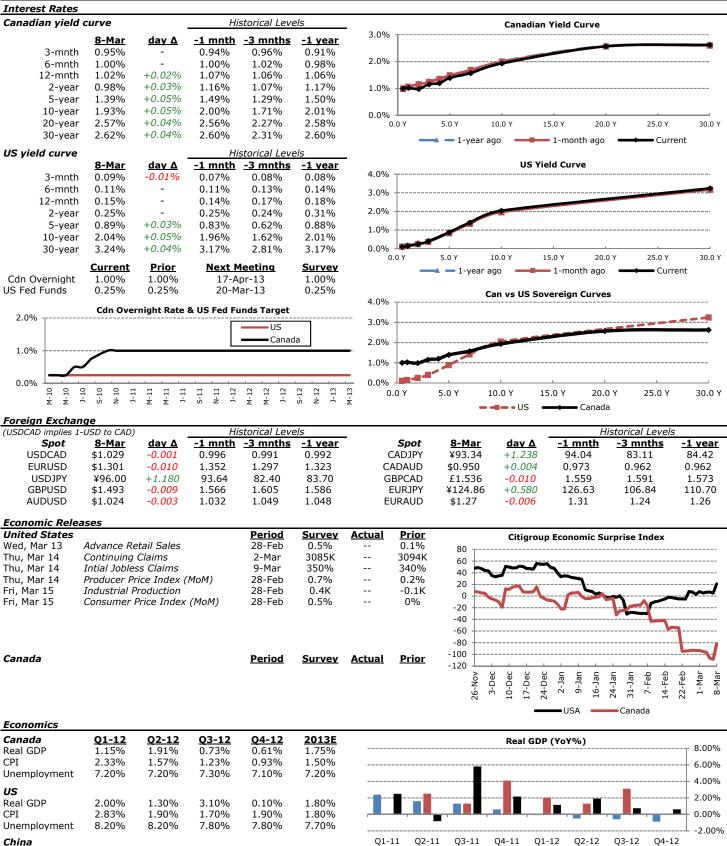
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8.10%

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