

The Daily Roll

Market Recap March 19, 2013



Today's Commentary

Canadian and U.S. markets were down on Monday, as the S&P/TSX composite dropped 0.38 percent, while the S&P 500 and Nasdaq fell 0.55 and 0.35 percent respectively. The Dow was also down 0.43 percent on the day. Concerns about the outcome of the unprecedented levy on bank deposits in Cyprus led to sharp losses at the open, but markets recovered somewhat in the afternoon. The proposal will be put to a parliamentary vote on Tuesday, and banks will remain closed until Thursday. Canadian financial shares traded lower, although Canadian lenders have no significant exposure to Cypriot banks, suggesting that the move was largely due to market psychology. Bank of Nova Scotia and TD Bank fell 0.8 and 0.6 percent respectively. Energy shares were also down, as the European uncertainty weighed on the price of crude.

According to the Bank for International Settlements' (BIS) quarterly report, an abundance of monetary and fiscal stimulus focusing on financial markets is discouraging governments from making necessary reforms. Despite minimal improvements in the real economy, financial markets have been driven upward by central bank intervention and historically low interest rates. BIS economic advisor Stephen Cecchetti said on Sunday that "The fact that market dynamics have become ever more dependent on central bank and government stimulus is a cause for concern", adding that "importantly, expansionary policy, especially central bank accommodation, cannot solve structural problems". Cecchetti pointed to problems with national pension plans, health care, and education that are in need of reform in many countries. The BIS argues that as long as stimulus is sustaining rallies in financial markets, governments will lack the motivation to make necessary

Cyprus's Parliament is most likely going to reject measures to tax depositors to help for a bailout of its banking sector. The tax was designed to add 5.8 billion euros to an international bailout package of 10 billion euros. The news of such measures had sent reverberations through the markets as there was fear that such levies would set a dangerous precedent for other peripheral euro-zone countries. Failure to pass the extraordinary tax measures would force Cyprus and its European partners to return to the negotiating table. The managing director of the IMF, Christine Lagarde, has indicated that she is open to modifications that would put less of a burden on smaller depositors. The hard stance taken against Cyprus by its European partners partly stems from the fact that a large proportion of bank deposits belong to Russian nationals who have long been suspected of laundering money through the small Mediterranean nation.

Today's Major Economic Releases

United States	Period	Survey	<u>Actual</u>	Prior
Housing Starts	31-Mar	919K	917K	890K

Period Survey **Actual** Prior Manufacturing Sales (MoM) 28-Feb 0.6% -0.2%-3.1%

Interest Rates Government 10-year Yields 2.00 2.10 Canada (%) 1.90 2.00

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Canada

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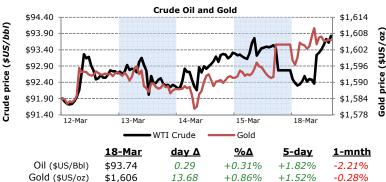
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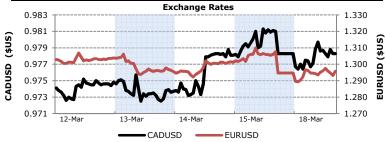
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Foreign Exchange



(USDCAD implies \$1-USD to CAD) Spot <u> 18-Mar</u> day ∆

	18-Mar	day Λ	-1 mnth	-3 mnths	-1 vear
Government 10-year Yields		Historical levels			
USDJPY	¥95.21	-0.070	96.280	92.88	82.90
EURUSD	\$1.296	-0.012	1.305	1.336	1.332
USDCAD	\$1.022	+0.003	1.026	1.001	0.998

⊃ Govern	Government 10-year Yields			
	<u> 18-Mar</u>	day ∆		
Canada	1.86%	-0.034%		
United States	1.95%	-0.035%		

-1 mnth	-3 mnths	-1 year
2.02%	1.84%	2.24%
2.00%	1.82%	2.29%

Historical levels

<u>-1 mnth</u>

<u>-1 year</u>

<u>-5 days</u>

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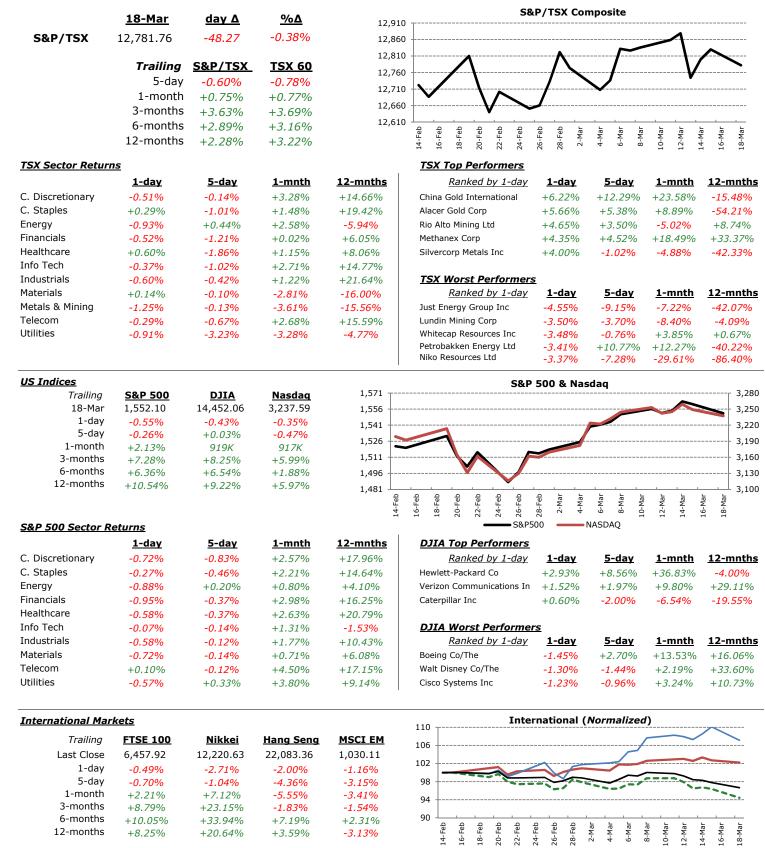
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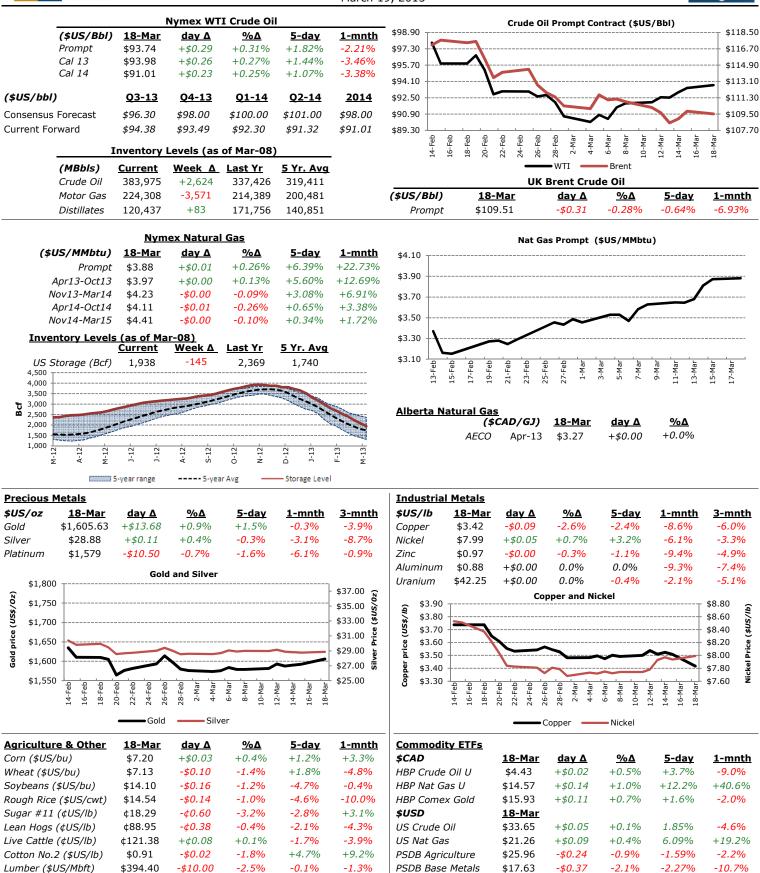
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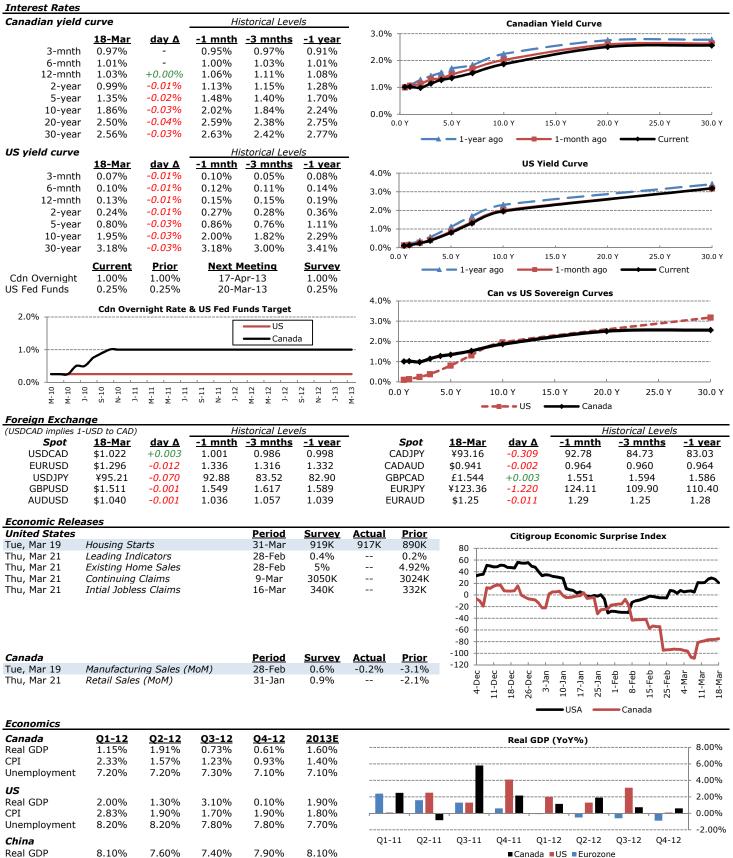
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