

The Daily Roll

Market Recap October 1, 2013



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Today's Commentary

Markets declined on Monday as investors awaited a U.S. federal budget deal that has yet to materialize. The S&P/TSX composite shed 57 points to close at 12,787, while the Dow and S&P 500 declined 0.84 and 0.6 percent respectively. Base metals and oil prices both fell as Chinese manufacturing data missed September estimates. The real estate sector helped support the TSX after Brookfield Property Partners LP announced plans to buy out shareholders of Brookfield Office Properties Inc. in a \$5 billion deal. According to Statistics Canada, GDP rebounded from a 0.5 percent decline in June to a 0.6 percent gain in July, with goods production rising 1.2 percent.

The failure to reach a budget deal on Monday has jeopardized paycheques for about 800,000 U.S. government employees. While the impasse is not expected to last for long, it could impact negotiations regarding the federal debt ceiling. If the debt ceiling is not raised by October 17, treasury yields could be pushed upward as investors lose confidence in the government's ability to pay its creditors. Nevertheless, many fund managers are using weakness in U.S. equities as a buying opportunity. According to Bank of America-Merrill Lynch strategists, "the risk of a 10 percent correction brought about by political brinkmanship [is] a low probability event." Indeed, pullbacks in the market during previous government shutdowns have typically been shortlived. The impending debt ceiling debate will likely have a greater impact on markets.

Japanese Prime Minister Shinzo Abe has announced that the government will raise the national sales tax from 5 percent to 8 percent in April of 2014. Abe's goal is to half the current budget deficit – which stands at 10 percent of GDP – by 2016 and completely balance it by 2021. Japan currently faces the heaviest debt load in the developed world, with public debt standing at more that 200 percent of GDP, and previous governments have had little success reigning in public spending. Critics point out that this small measure is unlikely to wipe out the primary deficit in the stated time frame. The Japanese government also has a delicate balancing act as they try to end 15 years of low growth and deflation through massive fiscal and monetary stimulus. Economists estimate that the tax increases could reduce 0.8 to 1.2 percent of growth in the fiscal year starting next April. Prime Minister Abe has promised to offset some of the impact of these taxes but has not formally outlined a policy measure to do so.

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Today's Major Economic Releases

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United States	<u>Period</u>	Survey	<u>Actual</u>	Prior			
ISM Manufacturing	30-Sep	55	55.7	55.4			

Canada **Period** Survey **Actual Prior** None Scheduled

Interest Rates Government 10-year Yields 2.64 2.71 2.69 2.60 2.67 2.58 2.65 2.56 2.63 2.61 2.59 24-Sep 30-Sep 25-Sep 26-Sep 27-Sep

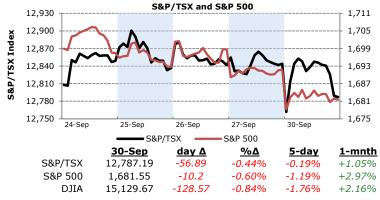
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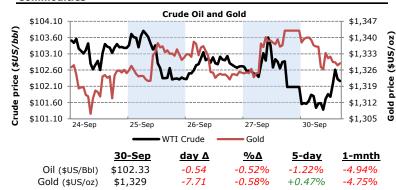
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Equities



Commodities



Foreign Exchange



(USDCAD in			
Spot	30-Sep	day ∆	-5 day
USDCAD	\$1.031	+0.000	1.028
EURUSD	\$1.353	+0.000	1.349
USDJPY	¥98.27	+0.030	98.850

USDCAD	\$1.031	+0.000	1.028	1.053	0.980
EURUSD	\$1.353	+0.000	1.349	1.324	1.302
USDJPY	¥98.27	+0.030	98.850	98.35	78.48
Government 10-year Yields			Hi	storical leve	els

	Government 10-year Yields					
		30-Sep	<u>day ∆</u>			
United States 2.61% -0.015%	Canada	2.54%	-0.014%			
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Thistorical levels					
-1 mnth	-3 mnths	-1 year			
2.62%	2.41%	1.73%			
2.78%	2.47%	1.63%			

Historical levels

<u>-1 mnth</u>

<u>-1 year</u>

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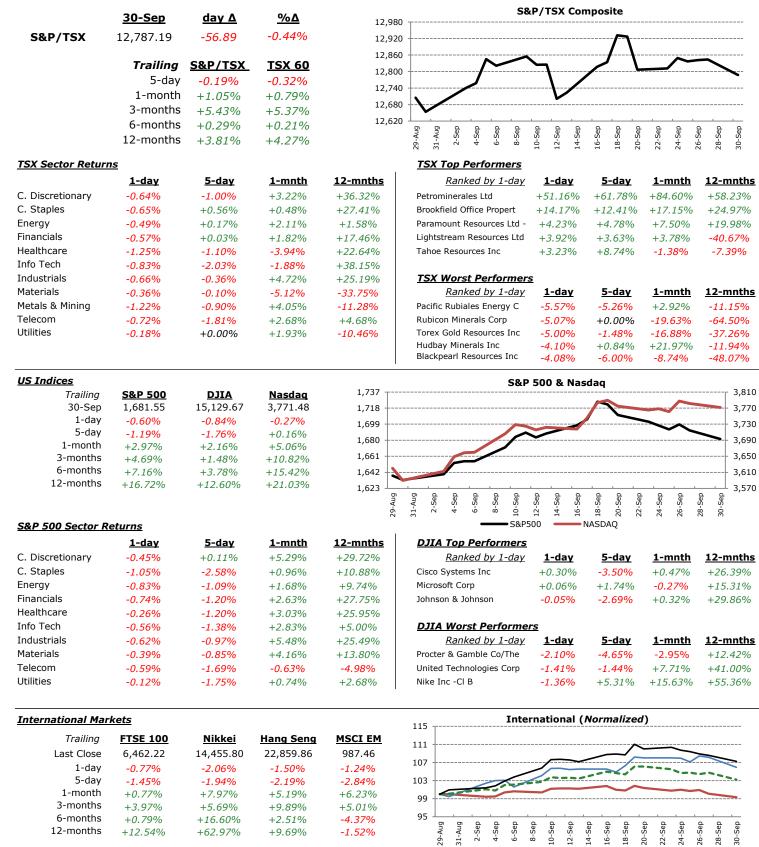
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The Equities Roll

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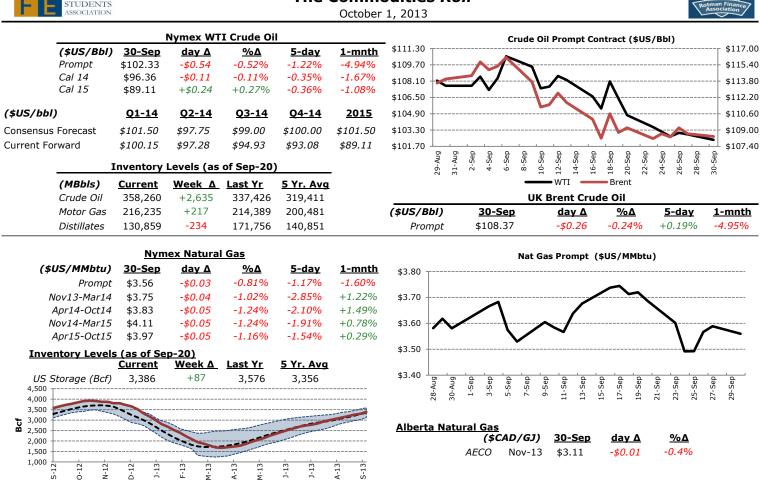
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The Commodities Roll



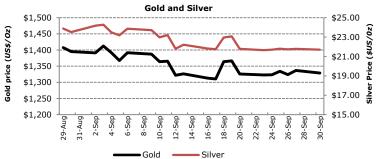


<u>Precious Metals</u>						
\$US/oz	30-Sep	day ∆	%Δ	<u>5-day</u>	1-mnth	3-mnth
Gold	\$1,328.94	<i>-\$7.71</i>	-0.6%	+0.5%	-4.7%	+8.6%
Silver	\$21.70	-\$0.09	-0.4%	+0.2%	-7.8%	+14.7%
Platinum	\$1,404	-\$16.45	-1.2%	-1.2%	-7.8%	+6.0%

---- 5-year Avg

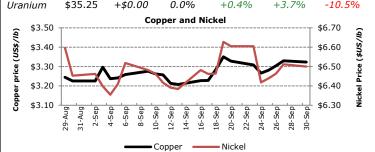
Storage Level

5-year range



Agriculture & Other	30-Sep	day ∆	<u>%∆</u>	<u>5-day</u>	1-mnth
Corn (\$US/bu)	\$4.42	-\$0.13	-2.8%	-2.6%	-8.4%
Wheat (\$US/bu)	\$6.79	-\$0.04	-0.7%	+3.8%	+3.7%
Soybeans (\$US/bu)	\$12.83	-\$0.37	-2.8%	-1.9%	-5.5%
Rough Rice (\$US/cwt)	\$15.13	<i>-\$0.27</i>	-1.8%	-2.6%	-3.9%
Sugar #11 (¢US/lb)	¢18.14	+¢0.40	+2.3%	+2.1%	+7.5%
Lean Hogs (¢US/lb)	¢86.63	-¢1.50	-1.7%	+0.2%	+2.2%
Live Cattle (¢US/lb)	¢131.98	-¢0.10	-0.1%	+1.1%	+1.1%
Cotton No.2 (\$US/lb)	\$0.87	+\$0.01	+0.7%	+3.5%	+4.5%
Lumber (\$US/Mbft)	\$344.10	+\$2.30	+0.7%	-3.2%	+7.9%

Industrial Metals							
	\$US/Ib	30-Sep	day ∆	<u>%∆</u>	<u>5-day</u>	1-mnth	3-mnth
	Copper	\$3.32	-\$0.01	-0.2%	+0.5%	+3.0%	+7.9%
	Nickel	\$6.50	-\$0.01	-0.2%	-1.6%	+0.7%	+2.4%
	Zinc	\$0.94	-\$0.01	-1.2%	+0.5%	-1.1%	+3.6%
	Aluminum	\$0.82	+\$0.01	+1.2%	+1.2%	+1.2%	+3.8%
	Uranium	\$35.25	+\$0.00	0.0%	+0.4%	+3.7%	-10.5%



Commodity ETFs					
\$CAD	30-Sep	day Δ	<u>%∆</u>	<u>5-day</u>	1-mnth
HBP Crude Oil U	\$5.12	-\$0.04	-0.8%	-2.5%	-9.2%
HBP Nat Gas U	\$10.11	-\$0.24	-2.3%	-6.8%	-8.1%
iShares Gold ETF	\$11.83	-\$0.05	-0.4%	+0.9%	-5.3%
\$USD	30-Sep				
US Crude Oil	\$36.85	-\$0.11	-0.3%	-1.13%	-4.5%
US Nat Gas	\$18.28	-\$0.20	-1.1%	-3.38%	-3.7%
PSDB Agriculture	\$25.29	-\$0.15	-0.6%	0.40%	+0.6%
PSDB Base Metals	\$16.73	+\$0.05	+0.3%	0.97%	-0.4%

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Real GDP

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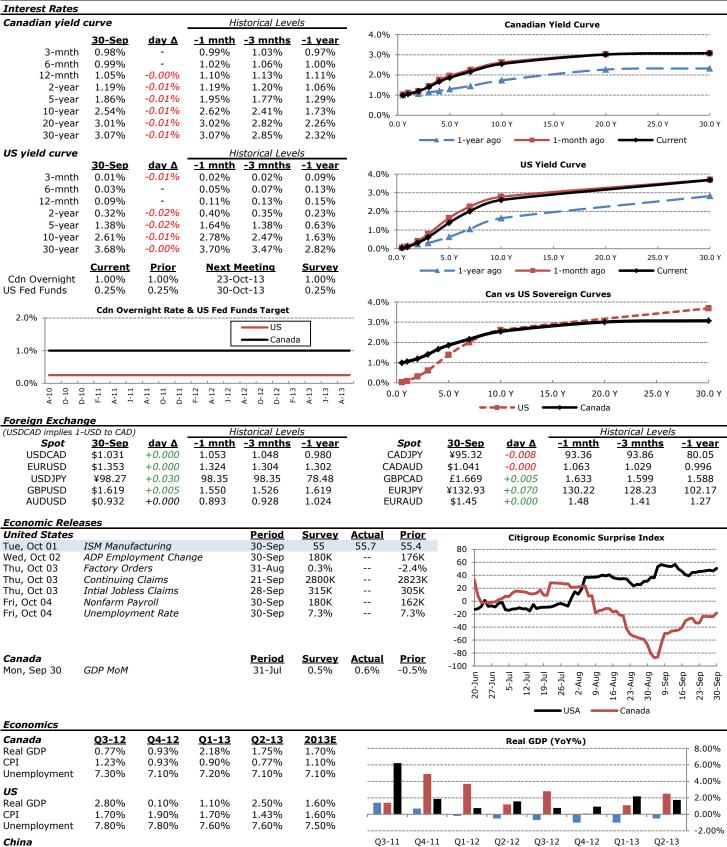
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The Rates, FX, & Economics Roll

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