

The Daily Roll

Market Recap
October 24, 2013



Today's Commentary

Equities underperformed yesterday with the S&P500 off of recent highs closing at 1746.38 (-0.47%) and the TSX down only slightly to 13,243.32 (-0.00%). European stock markets on the other hand moved higher on Thursday as investors welcomed upbeat manufacturing data from China. Additionally, fixed income gained with US 10yr treasury benchmark yields at 2.48% and Canadian 10 years at 2.40% this morning with continued expectations of easy money. US Initial Jobless Claims also came in slightly higher than anticipated at 350k with consensus of 340k and the trade balance was little changed at a deficit of \$38.9B with a consensus of -\$39.4B.

The era of easy money is expected to extend into 2014. The Bank of Canada dropped its language about the need for future interest-rate increases and the central bank in Norway and Sweden decided to keep rate hikes on hold yesterday. Expecting a delay of Fed tapering, Treasury Inflation Protected Securities are seeing their biggest gains in two months. Demand for inflation insurance increased on speculation that the Fed will extend its loose monetary policy into 2014 increasing expectation for gains in consumer prices.

Asian stocks moved higher Thursday as a strong reading of China's Purchasing Managers' Index lifted most markets outside of China. China's manufacturing strengthened more than anticipated this month offering some positive news after disappointing export figures and September's manufacturing PMI, which had shown weak domestic demand. HSBC's preliminary flash reading of October's manufacturing rose to a seven month high of 50.9, up from September's final reading of 50.2. A number above 50 usually signals expansion in the economy. Final statistics of the HSBC-Markit China manufacturing PMI will be released on Nov. 1. The Flash PMI from HSBC and Markit is based on 85 percent to 90 percent of responses to surveys sent to more than 420 manufacturers. The survey showed output, new orders and export orders rising at a faster pace while employment declined at a slower rate. This shows that China's Economy is still on course for decent growth, not the kind of spectacular growth in the past, but enough growth to keep it above the government's bottom line. In the first nine months of the year, the \$8.5 trillion economy grew 7.7 percent from a year earlier, putting it on track to achieve Beijing's 2013 target of 7.5 percent, which would be the weakest growth in 23 years. Still, many economists see growth slowing ahead as global demand remains soft and as Beijing re-structures the economy towards one driven more by consumer demand than investment and credit.

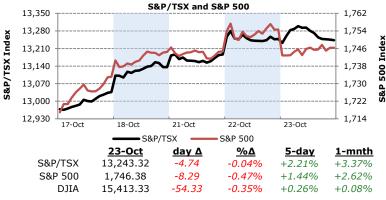
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Today's Major Economic Releases

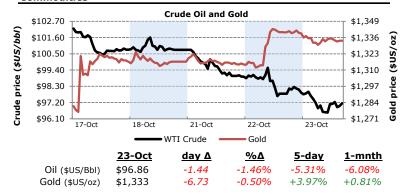
United States	Period	Survey	Actual	Prior
Continuing Claims	12-Oct	2870K	2874K	2859K
Trade Balance	30-Sep	-39.4B	-38.9B	-38.8B

Canada Period Survey Actual Prior

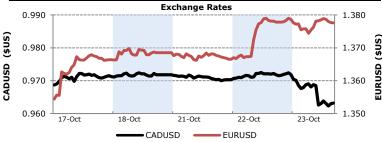
Equities



Commodities



Foreign Exchange



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a (%)	2.60		~~~	~	1		2.60
Canada	2.50	```					2.50
	2.40	17-Oct	18-Oct	21-Oct	22-Oct	23-Oct	2.40
CanadaUS							

	(USDCAD im	Historical levels					
	Spot	23-Oct	day ∆	-5 days	<u>-1 mnth</u>	<u>-1 year</u>	
	USDCAD	\$1.038	+0.010	1.033	1.028	0.997	
_	EURUSD	\$1.378	-0.000	1.353	1.349	1.294	
(%)	USDJPY	¥97.38	-0.760	98.770	98.85	79.65	
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_	Government 10-year Yields			Historical levels			
		23-Oct	day ∆	-1 mnth	-3 mnths	-1 year	
	Canada	2.43%	-0.048%	2.65%	2.46%	1.85%	
United States 2.50% -0.011%			2.70%	2.57%	1.76%		

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6-months

12-months

+4.19%

+15.12%

+6.63%

+60.04%

+5.47%

+6.00%

The Equities Roll

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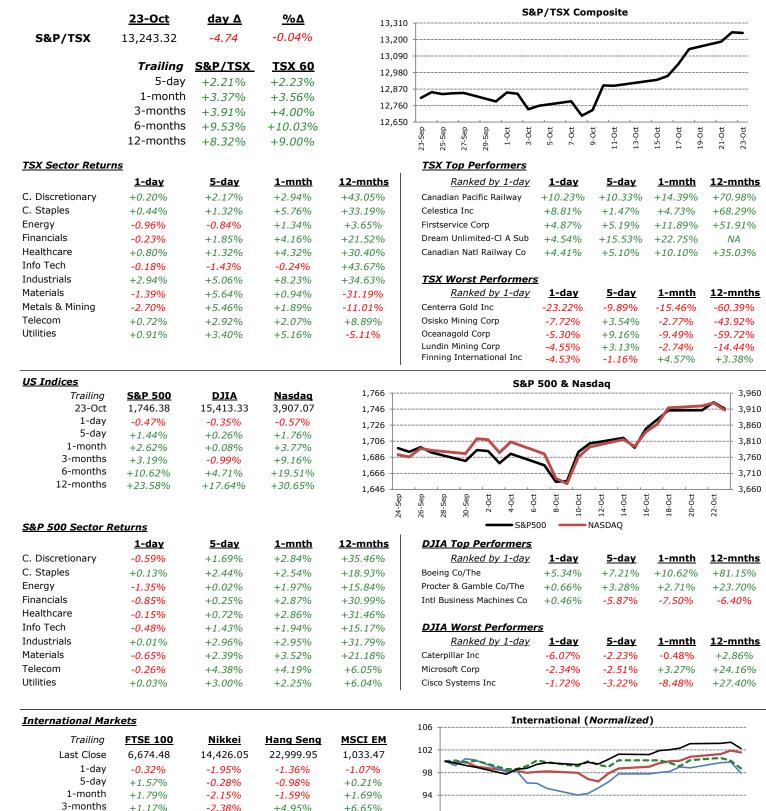
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24-Sep 25-Sep 26-Sep 27-Sep 28-Sep 29-Sep 30-Sep

FTSE

+2.34%

+3.68%

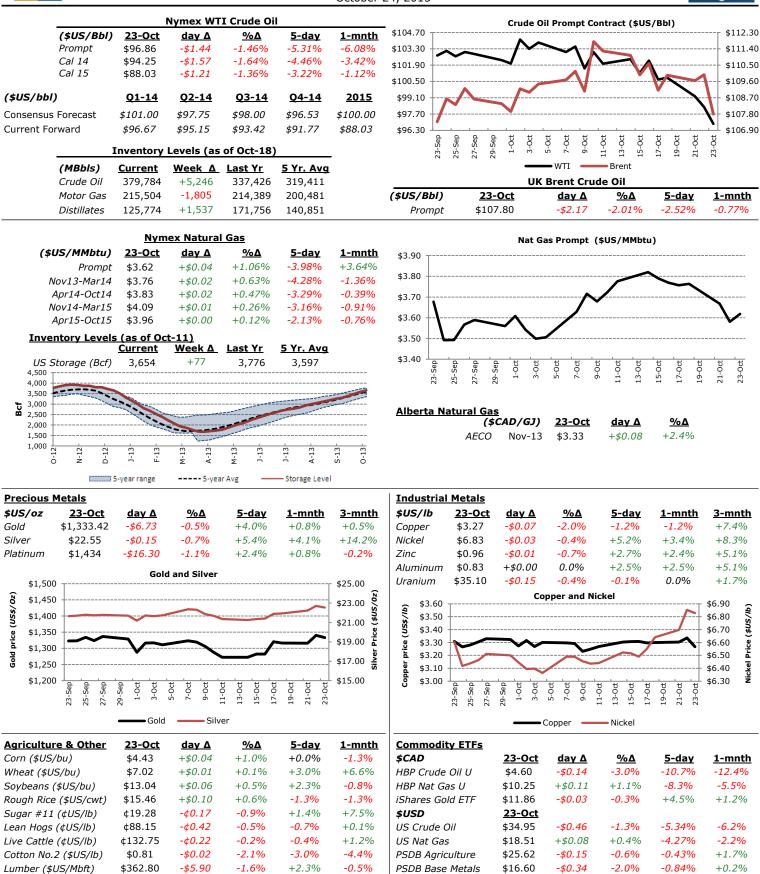
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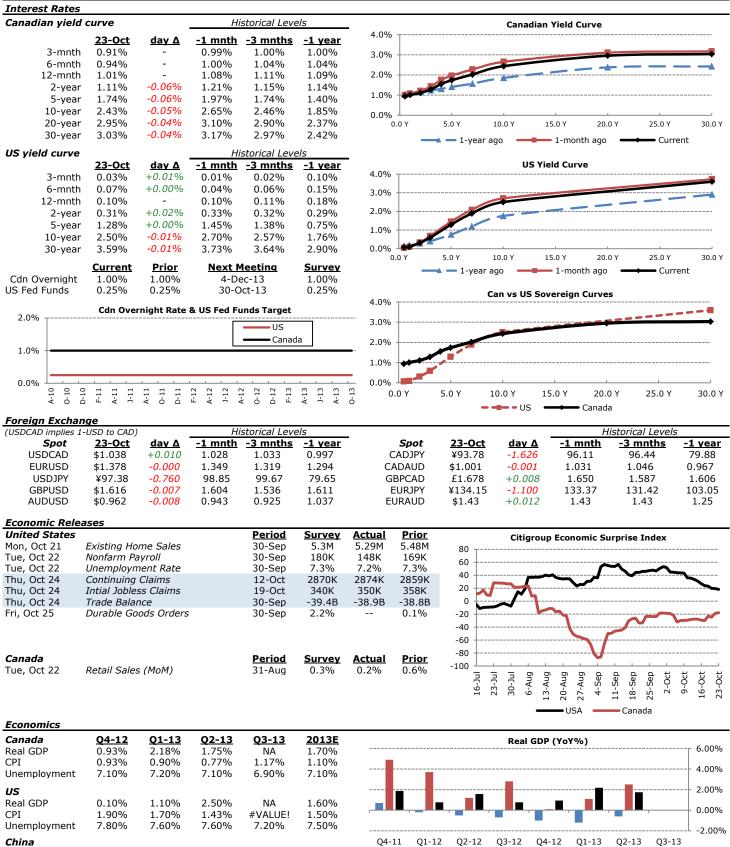
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7.60%

7.70%

7.50%

7.80%

7.90%

Real GDP

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■Canada ■US ■Eurozone