

# The Daily Roll

Market Recap October 20, 2014



#### Today's Commentary

Friday was a positive end to a tumultuous week for markets, as North American indices saw a rise by market close. The Dow gained 263.17 (1.63%) to 16,380.41, but was still down 1% from the start of the week. Following suit, the S&P 500 was up 24.00 (1.29%) at 1,886.76, though has continued its weekly downward decline for a fourth week in a row. The TSX saw a rise of 174.71 (1.24%) to 14,227.68, reaching its highest level in a week, benefiting from 8 of its 10 main sectors rising on the back of strong US data, and an increase in the price of oil. This week expects to see earnings reports from a fifth of the S&P 500, including Apple and Microsoft, as well as Dow stocks such as McDonald's, Coca-Cola, and Boeing.

The Nikkei 225 is up 579 points (3.98%) today to 15,111, its largest single-day rally in over a year, amid a Nikkei newspaper report that the \$1.2 trillion Government Pension Investment Fund (GPIF) will raise its asset allocation target for domestic shares to about 25 percent from 12 percent. "The view was that they'd maybe lift Japanese share holdings to 22 percent, so if it's the mid-20s, that's 2-3 percent more than expected", said Shoji Hirakawa, chief equity strategist at Okasan Securities Co. in Tokyo. The increased demand for Japanese shares will be swapped with a reduction in domestic debt holdings to 40% from 60%, likely weighing on the Japanese bond market. Prime Minister Abe hopes the changing risk profile of the world's largest public-sector investor will not only help meet the demands of an ageing population, but will boost the market and spur greater oversight of firms to improve corporate governance.

Moody's has downgraded Russian sovereign debt from Baa1 to Baa2. According to Kristin Lindow, an analyst at Moody's Investors Service Inc., the downgrade was a result of "Russia's increasingly subdued medium-term growth prospect," and "the gradual and ongoing erosion of the country's international reserve buffer". She also suggested that Moody's expects Russia to enter into a recession by 2015, having contracted 0.5% this past year. This month alone, Russia has used \$13 billion from its foreign reserves to combat the falling ruble, as the falling oil prices, and US and European sanctions damage the economy. The ruble has tumbled 13% against the dollar since July and yields have increased to 2.81%.

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### Today's Major Economic Releases

United States Period Survey Actual Prior None Scheduled

Canada **Period** Survey **Actual Prior** 

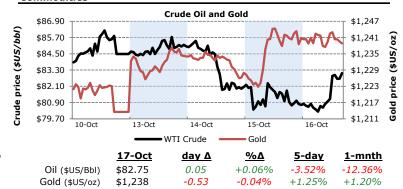
None Scheduled

#### Interest Rates Government 10-year Yields 2.20 2.40 2.30 2.10 Canada (%) 2.00 2.20 1.90 2.10 1.80 2.00 1.90 10-Oct 14-0ct 17-Oct 15-Oct 16-Oct Canada •US

### **Equities**



#### **Commodities**



#### Foreign Exchange **Exchange Rates** 1.300 (\$N\$) 0.900 1.290 EURUSD (\$US) 0.890 1.280 1.270 0.880

14-Oct

CADUSD

15-Oct

<u>-5 days</u>

EURUSD

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	Spot	17-Oct	day ∆			
	USDCAD	\$1.128	+0.002			
_	EURUSD	\$1.276	-0.005			
(%)	USDJPY	¥106.88	+0.550			
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(USDCAD implies \$1-USD to CAD)

13-Oct

USDCAD	\$1.128	+0.002	1.119	1.100	1.029
EURUSD	\$1.276	-0.005	1.269	1.287	1.368
USDJPY	¥106.88	+0.550	107.840	108.37	97.91
Government 10-year Yields			Historical levels		

Governme	ernment 10-year Yields			
	17-Oct	<u>day ∆</u>		
Canada	1.95%	0.025%		
Jnited States	2.19%	0.038%		

Historical levels				
-1 mnth	-3 mnths	-1 year		
2.27%	2.16%	2.56%		
2.62%	2.48%	2.59%		

16-Oct

Historical levels

<u>-1 mnth</u>

1.260

<u>-1 year</u>

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CADUSD

0.870

10-Oct



12-months

-4.04%

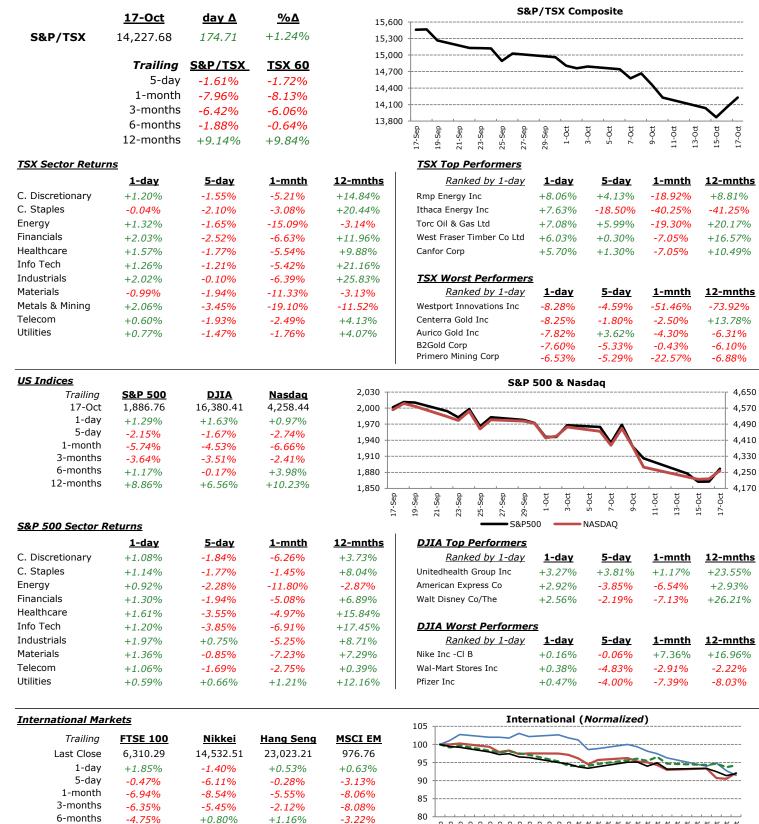
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### The Equities Roll

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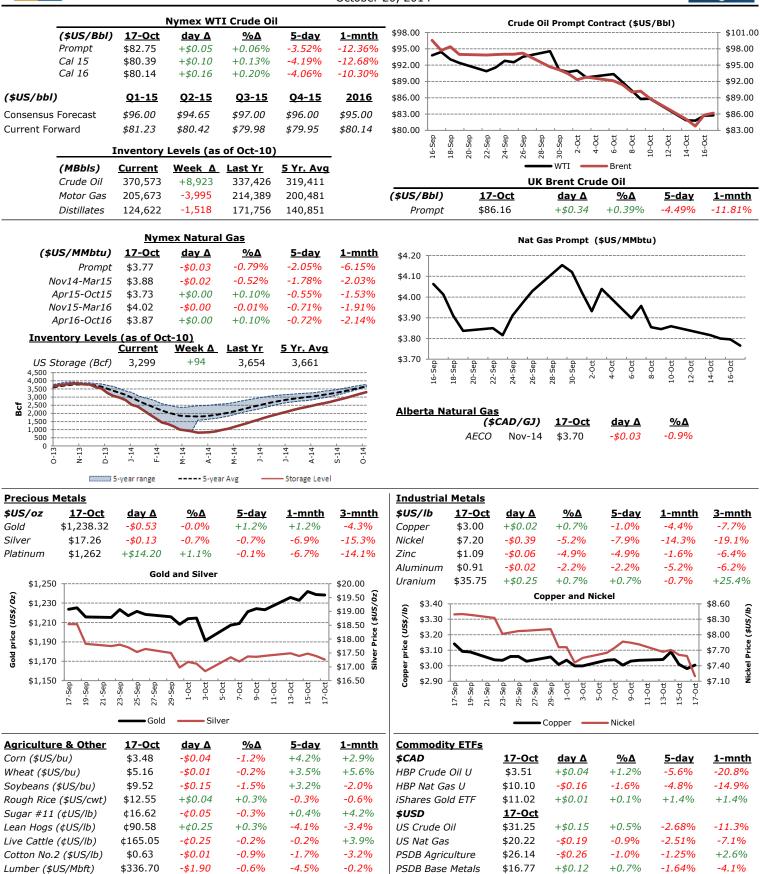
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7.70%

7.40%

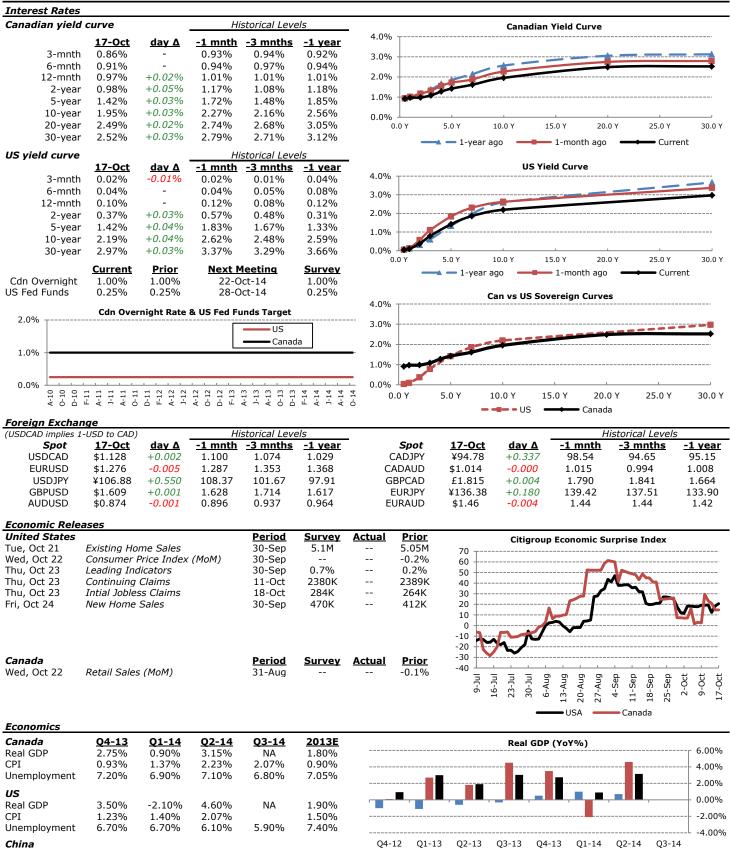
7.50%

Real GDP

## The Rates, FX, & Economics Roll

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7.70%

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