

The Daily Roll

Market Recap October 22, 2014



Today's Commentary

North American markets rose yesterday, as about 80% of the S&P 500 companies that have released profits beat estimates, while 61% realized revenues above projections. The S&P 500 rose 1.96% to 1,941.28, with the TSX rising 1.46% to 14,547.71. Bond prices also advanced, including periphery sovereign debt such as Portuguese and Greek bonds, as the ECB's new asset purchase program began. US 10s yields fell 3bps to 2.19%. The Canadian 10s also followed this trend, falling 3 $\,$ bps to 1.94%. The US September CPI was released today, increasing only 0.1%, which confirms that the Fed will likely keep the current benchmark rate for longer than anticipated. Canadian August retail sales were also announced today. The data fell 0.2%, which was worse than an expected flat reading, signalling that the Bank of Canada will likely keep its dovish stance in its interest rate announcement later today.

Asian markets rose today on the back of the ECB's first purchases for its two year asset purchase plan. Japan's Topix index rose 1.8%, while the South Korean Kospi index climbed 0.6%, after both indices had declined more than 0.7% yesterday. The yen has fallen 8.3% against the US dollar, with September showing the largest fall since January 2013. The depreciating currency is helping Japanese exports beat expectations, as they rose 6.9% in September, the most in 7 months, while imports rebounded by 6.2%, after a decline of 1.5% in August. The strong export numbers are a positive for the shrinking economy, which is still reeling after Japan's Prime Minister Shinzo Abe increased the sales tax in April.

Good news from US existing home sales, as September's numbers beat expectations and posted a one year high. Purchases of previously owned homes gained 2.4% up to 5.17 million, far exceeding the market anticipated 1% gain. Demand is 1.9% higher compared to a year ago as more than 2 million more American jobs have been created this year, and the US economy continues to strengthen. Mortgage prices are down due to slow Eurozone growth, and borrowing costs may become even lower as regulators are working on plans to create housing loans backed by the US government. However, inventory of homes for sale turnover has dropped to 5.3 months, compared to a market average of 6.3 months, showing a reduced supply of homes and a possible future increase in

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Today's Major Economic Releases

Master of Financial Economics Program

United States	Period	Survey	<u>Actual</u>	Prior
Consumer Price Index (MoM)	31-Oct	0.0%	0.1%	-0.2%
Leading Indicators	30-Sep	0.7%		0.2%
Continuing Claims	11-Oct	2380K		2389K

Canada	<u>Period</u>	<u>Survey</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Prior</u>	
Retail Sales (MoM)	30-Sep	0.00%	-0.30%	-0.1%	

Interest Rates Government 10-year Yields 2.00 2.25 2.15 1.80 2.05 1.95 15-Oct 17-Oct 21-Oct 16-Oct 20-Oct Canada US

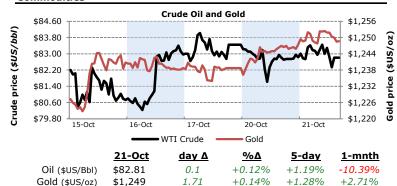
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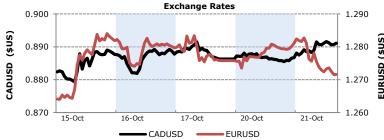
Equities



Commodities



Foreign Exchange



	(USDCAD implies \$1-USD to CAD)				
	Spot	21-Oct	day ∆		
	USDCAD	\$1.122	-0.006		
	EURUSD	\$1.272	-0.008		
	USDJPY	¥107.00	+0.050		
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Spot	21-Oct	day ∆	-5 days	<u>-1 mnth</u>	<u>-1 year</u>
USDCAD	\$1.122	-0.006	1.130	1.096	1.030
EURUSD	\$1.272	-0.008	1.266	1.283	1.368
USDJPY	¥107.00	+0.050	107.050	109.04	98.19
Governm	ent 10-year Yı	ields	Hi	storical leve	ls

Government 10-year Yields		
21-Oct	<u>day ∆</u>	
1.97%	0.027%	
2.22%	0.031%	
	21-Oct 1.97%	

Historical levels			
-1 mnth	-3 mnths	-1 year	
2.25%	2.13%	2.55%	
2.57%	2.47%	2.60%	

Historical levels

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6-months

12-months

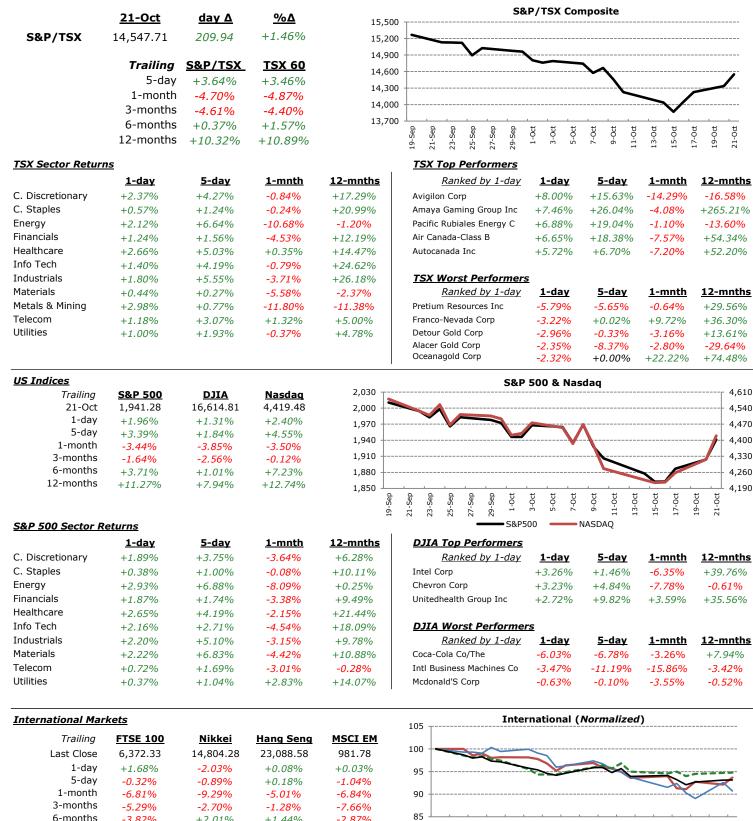
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-4.24%

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21-Sep 23-Sep 27-Sep

59-FTSE

25-

11-0ct 13-Oct

5-0ct 3-Oct

NIK

7-0ct 9-0ct

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21-0ct

ΕM

-2.87%

-5.84%

+1.44%

-1.49%

+2.01%

+0.75%

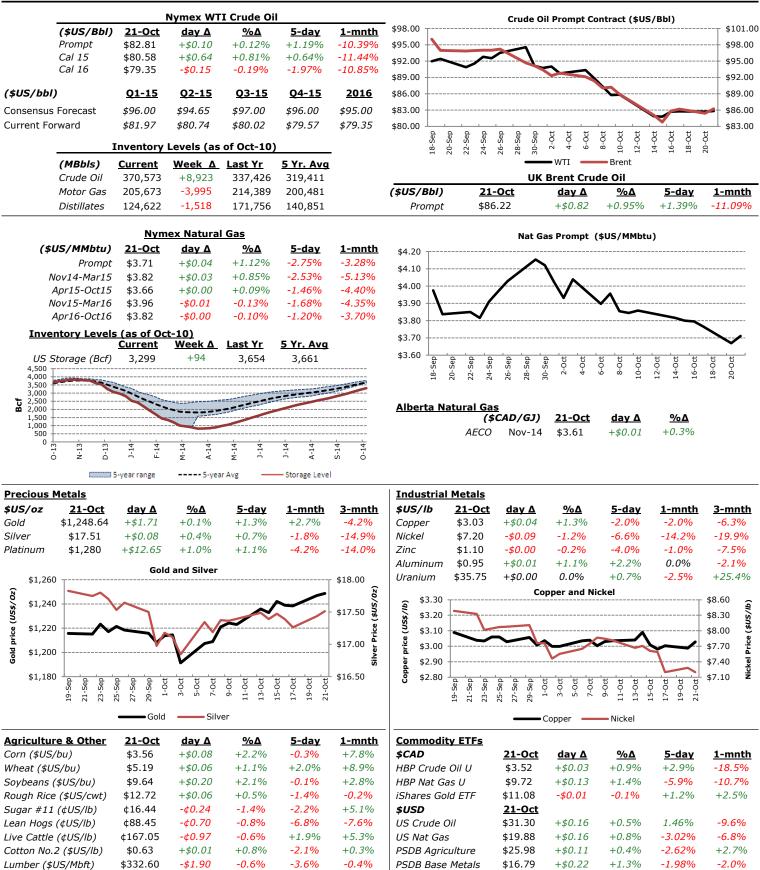
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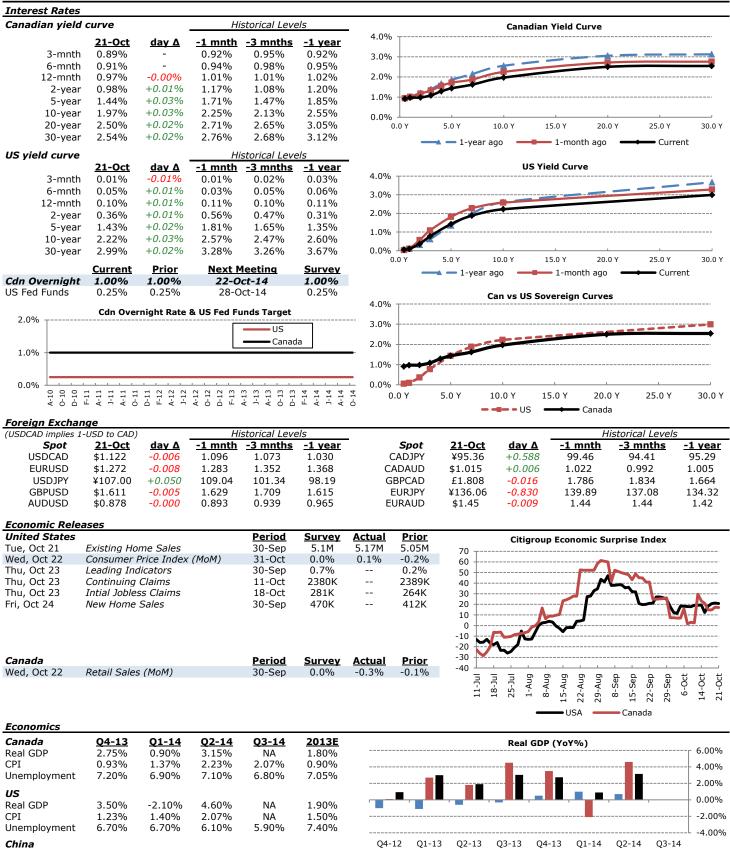
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7.70%

7.40%

7.50%

7.30%

7.70%

Real GDP

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