

# The Daily Roll

Market Recap October 30, 2014



#### Today's Commentary

Markets dipped yesterday on a slightly more hawkish tone from the Fed which will be ending QE3 this month. The S&P 500 was down 2.75 points (0.14%) to 1,982.30, while the Dow also fell 31.44 points (0.18%) to 16,974.31. At home, the TSX also closed lower, slipping 96.68 points (0.66%) to 14,527.57. On news of the Fed statement, the US dollar strengthened against most major currencies while US yields rose, sending the US 10s up 2bps to 2.32%. US third quarter GDP released this morning showed a seasonally adjusted annual growth rate of 3.5%, exceeding market forecasts of 3%. This result will likely put continued upward pressure on US yields and the greenback in trading today.

The Fed announced the end of quantitative easing yesterday in its release at 2pm (not 6pm as stated yesterday), citing a strong US labour market and lower unemployment rate since its previous meeting last month. QE3 has added an additional \$1.66 trillion to the Fed's balance sheet, for a total of \$4.48 trillion between the 3 rounds since the recession of 2008. The Fed also stated it would continue to keep interest rates low until inflation outlook for "one-to-two-years" ahead" had returned to its 2 percent target. Global growth was stated as a concern to continued US growth outlook, but interest rates could rise sooner than anticipated if the Fed accelerates progress toward its goal of full employment and price stability.

UK banks are awaiting the announcement by the Bank of England on bank regulation, which will occur today at 2:00pm London time. The BOE is expected to follow in the US's footsteps of enforcing a leverage ratio that exceeds the current global minimum of 3%. Many of the banks have shown concern with this possible decision. Executives fear that if this decision is made, it will result in more expensive loans for homeowners. In addition, according to Simon Hills, an executive at the British Bankers' Association, "the measure could create perverse effects, incentivizing banks to increase the cost of new mortgages or even to engage in higher-risk lending".

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#### Today's Major Economic Releases

Master of Financial Economics Program

United States	<u>Period</u>	Survey	<u>Actual</u>	Prior
Continuing Claims	18-Oct	2410K	2381K	2402K
Intial Jobless Claims	18-Oct	280K	287K	283K
GDP QoQ (Annualized)	30-Sep	3%	3.5%	4.6%

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

# None Scheduled

#### Interest Rates Government 10-year Yields 2.07 2.34 2.32 2.05 2.30 2.03 2.01 2.28 1.99 2.26 23-Oct 27-Oct 29-Oct 24-Oct 28-Oct Canada US

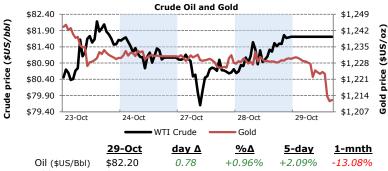
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#### **Equities**



#### Commodities



Gold (\$US/oz) \$1,212 -16.48 -1.34% -2.35% -0.31%

## Foreign Exchange



(USDCAD implies \$1-USD to CAD)			Historical levels			
	Spot	29-Oct	day ∆	-5 days	<u>-1 mnth</u>	-1 year
	USDCAD	\$1.118	+0.002	1.124	1.116	1.047
	EURUSD	\$1.263	-0.010	1.265	1.269	1.375
	USDJPY	¥108.89	+0.730	107.140	109.50	98.19

<b>□</b> Governm	Government 10-year Yields			
	29-Oct	<u>day ∆</u>		
Canada	2.06%	0.027%		
United States	2.32%	0.021%		

Historical levels			
-1 mnth	-3 mnths	-1 year	
2.12%	2.16%	2.41%	
2.48%	2.56%	2.50%	

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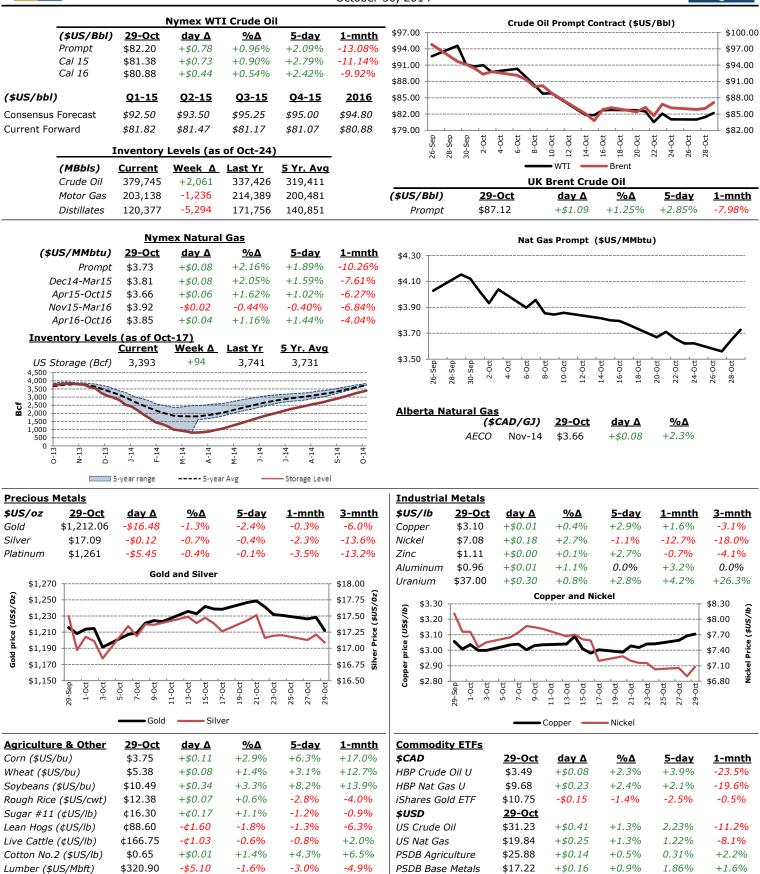
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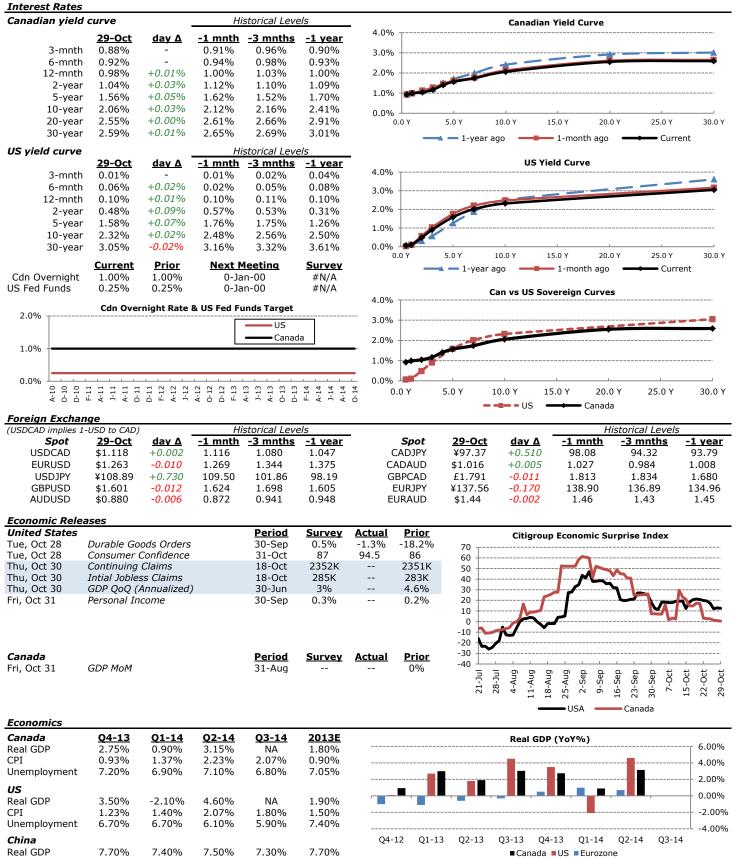
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