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The Weekly
Economic & Market Recap

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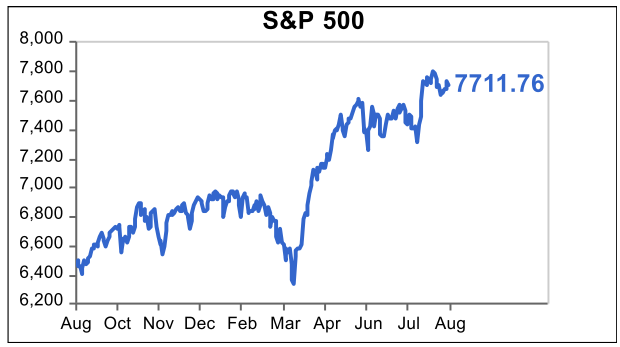
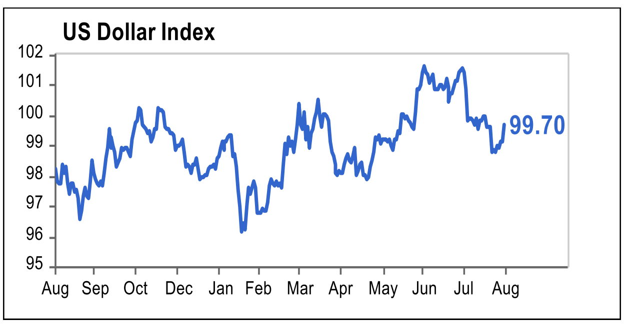
Weekly Recap

U.S. markets navigated a busy week as investors weighed consumer sentiment, inflation, Nvidia earnings, labor data, and the Federal Reserve's Jackson Hole Economic Policy Symposium. The Conference Board's Consumer Confidence Index fell 0.8 points to 89.4 in August, its weakest reading since January, as households grew more cautious about future business and labor conditions over the next six months. Wednesday's economic data reinforced a challenging backdrop for the Federal Reserve. Second-quarter GDP growth was unchanged at a 1.5% annualized pace, while July headline PCE inflation rose 3.7% year over year (y/y) and core PCE increased 3.3%, remaining above the Fed's 2% objective. Stocks finished slightly lower and Treasury yields edged higher as investors reassessed expectations for a more restrictive policy outlook. Market sentiment improved sharply following Nvidia's earnings release. The company reported quarterly revenue up 106% y/y, while Data Center revenue surged 117%. Strong guidance reinforced confidence in continued AI infrastructure spending, helping lift the Nasdaq and S&P 500 by 1.6% and 0.7%, respectively. Labor data remained constructive with initial jobless claims falling to 203,000 and continuing claims declining to 1.78 million, both metrics reading below expectations. The week ended with Fed Chair Warsh speaking in Jackson Hole where he delivered a decidedly hawkish message, reinforcing the Fed's willingness to raise rates if inflation does not move convincingly toward 2%. In response, short-term yields moved higher with the 2-year yield reaching 4.35% and expectations for a September rate hike increased to 57% from 36% at today's open. The S&P 500, Dow and Nasdaq closed modestly higher.

Key Points for Investors to Consider:

- Fed Chair Warsh's hawkish Jackson Hole remarks pushed short-term Treasury yields higher and increased expectations for a September rate hike
- Nvidia's earnings supported equities and reignited confidence among investors for the AI trade
- Labor market resilience intact despite softer GDP growth



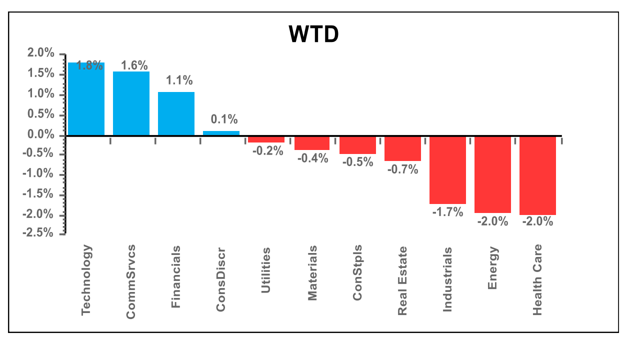


INDICES	Close	Wk Net Change	Wk % Change	Div Yield	YTD % Change	12 Mos % Change
DJII-USA	53,559.99	282.98	0.53	1.62	11.44	17.36
S&P 500	7,711.76	37.39	0.49	1.35	12.65	18.61
NASDAQ	26,402.42	221.97	0.85	0.85	13.60	21.64
S&P MidCap 400	3,779.47	-50.93	-1.33	2.15	14.35	15.52
EAFE	107.72	-0.52	-0.48	3.02	12.17	17.06
Emerging Markets	81.82	0.25	0.31	2.98	21.72	31.16

COMMODITIES	Price	Wk % Change
Copper	6.63	0.70
Gold	4,503.80	-3.78
WTI	83.45	-4.15
Brent	88.29	-6.46
Natural Gas	2.88	3.86

FOREX	Price	Wk % Change
EUR/USD	1.16	-0.80
USD/JPY	159.87	0.72
GBP/USD	1.36	-0.84
USD/CAD	1.39	1.05

TREASURIES	Current Yield	12/31/25 Yield
1 - Year	4.13	3.47
2 - Year	4.35	3.48
5 - Year	4.48	3.73
10 - Year	4.72	4.17
30 - Year	5.21	4.84



RUSSELL STYLE RETURNS

WTD	Value	Blend	Growth
Large	0.40%	0.35%	0.29%
Medium	-0.72%	-1.02%	-1.91%
Small	-0.74%	-1.40%	-2.18%

YTD	Value	Blend	Growth
Large	23.67%	13.27%	3.92%
Medium	21.80%	17.25%	3.06%
Small	23.92%	20.64%	17.48%

SECTORS - Large Cap	Close	Wk Net Change	WTD	MTD	QTD	YTD
Defensive						
Staples	936.57	-4.68	(0.5%)	(0.5%)	1.5%	8.3%
Health Care	1,992.64	-40.73	(2.0%)	5.2%	7.6%	10.3%
CommServices	458.44	7.06	1.6%	0.4%	0.9%	1.3%
Eco Sensitive						
Consumer Disc	1,934.63	1.13	0.1%	0.6%	1.4%	0.3%
Energy	951.76	-19.02	(2.0%)	4.3%	17.4%	38.5%
Industrials	1,497.27	-26.34	(1.7%)	(1.5%)	(4.6%)	14.0%
Info Tech	6,938.98	122.49	1.8%	5.9%	2.2%	22.1%
Materials	669.36	-2.59	(0.4%)	6.7%	4.9%	16.5%
Interest Rate Sensitive						
Financials	965.19	10.10	1.1%	1.9%	8.1%	5.9%
Utilities	431.96	-0.85	(0.2%)	(4.0%)	(6.2%)	(0.4%)
REIT	287.60	-1.95	(0.7%)	(0.9%)	1.3%	14.3%

Source: FactSet

COMING UP NEXT WEEK		Consensus	Prior
09/01 ISM Manufacturing SA	(Aug)	55.8	55.6
09/01 JOLTS Job Openings	(Jul)	7,300K	7,359K
09/02 Factory Orders SA M/M	(Jul)	0.70%	-0.30%
09/03 Unit Labor Costs SAAR Q/Q (Final)	(Q2)	1.3%	1.3% P
09/03 Productivity SAAR Q/Q (Final)	(Q2)	1.4%	1.4% P
09/03 ISM Services PMI SA	(Aug)	54.3	54.1
09/04 Hourly Earnings SA M/M (Preliminary)	(Aug)	0.20%	0.10%
09/04 Nonfarm Payrolls SA	(Aug)	65.0K	-23.0K
09/04 Private Nonfarm Payrolls	(Aug)	25.0K	30.0K
09/04 Unemployment	(Aug)	4.1%	4.1%