

The Weekly Economic & Market Recap

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Equity markets experienced a slight rebound after selling off the previous week, with investors reacting positively to the Federal Reserve's recent statements. The Fed held rates unchanged and indicated that it is still on track to cut interest rates twice later this year, which helped to lift sentiment across markets. This dovish stance, which signals a shift toward easing rather than tightening, provided relief to investors concerned about the potential for an economic slowdown and the impact of higher rates, leading to US Treasury yields moving down modestly across the curve. Stocks in sectors such as health care, financials, and energy saw notable gains, while technology lagged on worries of potential supply chain disruptions. Market participants continue to wrestle with concerns over inflation, economic growth, and ongoing trade developments. The question of whether the Fed will follow through on its rate cuts amid evolving economic data adds to this uncertainty. First quarter earnings results from key companies will provide further clues on the health of the economy. While there was some recovery this week, the broader market still faces risks tied to both domestic economic factors and global geopolitical tensions. As such, while investor sentiment improved, markets are likely to remain volatile in the face of these ongoing uncertainties.

		Wk	Wk	Div	YTD	12 Mos
Stocks	Close	Net Change	% Change	Yield	% Change	% Change
DJII-USA	41,985.35	497.16	1.20	1.89	-1.31	5.54
S&P 500	5,667.56	28.62	0.51	1.67	-3.64	8.13
NASDAQ	17,784.05	29.96	0.17	1.12	-7.91	8.43
S&P MidCap 400	2,945.77	18.62	0.64	2.42	-5.61	-2.24
EAFE	83.66	-0.05	-0.06	3.27	10.65	4.82
Emerging Markets	55.08	0.05	0.09	3.15	5.48	6.64
Sector - Large Cap		Wk				
	Close	Net Change	WTD	MTD	QTD	YTD
Defensive						
Staples	864.15	-2.22	(0.3%)	(5.9%)	1.2%	1.2%
Health Care	1,703.97	18.15	1.1%	(1.7%)	6.2%	6.2%
CommServices	329.64	-0.31	(0.1%)	(5.5%)	(3.5%)	(3.5%)
Eco Sensitive						
Consumer Disc	1,577.46	-0.55	(0.0%)	(8.9%)	(13.9%)	(13.9%)
Energy	702.73	21.73	3.2%	1.9%	7.3%	7.3%
Industrials	1,116.78	9.40	0.8%	(3.1%)	0.1%	0.1%
Info Tech	4,171.05	-3.07	(0.1%)	(5.4%)	(9.5%)	(9.5%)
Materials	538.06	-1.35	(0.3%)	(3.6%)	1.6%	1.6%
Interest Rate Sensitive						
Financials	820.54	15.21	1.9%	(5.3%)	2.0%	2.0%
Utilities	397.43	-0.84	(0.2%)	(0.8%)	3.2%	3.2%
REIT	260.13	2.32	0.9%	(3.3%)	2.3%	2.3%

Russell Style Returns

WTD	Value	Blend	Growth	YTD	Value	Blend	Growth
Large	0.98%	0.58%	0.30%	Large	1.52%	-3.57%	-7.79%
Medium	0.86%	1.10%	2.00%	Medium	-2.37%	-2.94%	-4.56%
Small	0.56%	0.67%	0.81%	Small	-6.43%	-7.56%	-8.50%

Commodity	Price	Wk % Change	FOREX	Price	Wk % Change
Copper	5.11	4.33	EUR/USD	1.08	-0.62
Gold	3,028.70	0.92	USD/JPY	148.99	0.50
WTI	68.29	1.65	GBP/USD	1.29	-0.18
Brent	72.15	2.22	USD/CAD	1.44	-0.17
Natural Gas	3.95	-3.65			

Source: FactSet



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-0.5%	Energy	Financials	Health Care	Real Estate	Industrials	ConsDiscr %	echnology	-0.1%	Utilities	Materials	ConStpls



		12/31/24
Treasuries	Current Yield	Yield
1 - Year	4.05	4.15
2 - Year	3.90	4.24
5 - Year	4.00	4.38
10 - Year	4.25	4.57
30 - Year	4.59	4.78



COMING UP NEXT WEEK		Consensus	Prior
03/24 Markit PMI Manufacturing SA (Preliminary)	(Mar)	52.2	52.7
03/24 Markit PMI Services SA (Preliminary)	(Mar)	50.1	51.0
03/25 Consumer Confidence	(Mar)	94.5	98.3
03/26 Durable Orders SA M/M (Preliminary)	(Feb)	0.30%	3.2%
03/27 GDP SAAR Q/Q (Final)	(Q4)	2.3%	2.3%
03/27 GDP SA Y/Y (Final)	(Q4)	2.5%	2.5%
03/28 Core PCE Deflator M/M	(Feb)	0.33%	0.28%
03/28 Core PCE Deflator Y/Y	(Feb)	2.7%	2.6%
03/28 Personal Consumptn Expenditure SA M/M	(Feb)	0.20%	0.20%
03/28 Personal Income SA M/M	(Feb)	0.35%	0.90%
03/28 Michigan Sentiment NSA (Final)	(Mar)	57.9	57.9

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