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AFTERNOON MARKET UPDATE

GLOBAL MARKET SNAPSHOT

Equity Markets:

Global indices finished mixed on Thursday though momentum was positive. The session finished with the

Americas posting solid gains (e.g., U.S. 0.8%, Canada 0.7%, Brazil 1.0%). U.S. markets experienced a cyclical rally with materials 1.7%. industrials 1.7%, and energy 1.0% leading. This afternoon S&P 500 surged 0.9% in 10 minutes on a WSJ report that U.S. officials were considering lifting its trade tariffs on China, a report that was swiftly denied by Treasury but gives an indication of how the market will react if there is a resolution to the trade issue.

Developed	1-Day Return	MTD Return	YTD Return	Emerging	1-Day Return	MTD Return	YTD Return
AILD	0.7%	4.6%	4.6%	Mexico IPC	0.3%	5.5%	5.5%
S&P 500	0.8%	5. 2 %	5.2%	Bovespa	1.0%	8.5%	8.5%
Nasdaq	0.7%	6.8%	6.8%	Chile IPSA	0.3%	6,5%	6,5%
Russell 2000	0.9%	8.8%	8.8%	Colombia IGBC	-0.1%	4.6%	4.6%
EuroStoxx 50	-0.3%	2.3%	2.3%	Warsaw WIG	-0.1%	3.8%	3.8%
DAX	-0.1%	3.4%	3.4%	MICEX	0.5%	3.6%	3.6%
CAC	-0.3%	1.4%	1.4%	JSE Africa	-0.7%	1.4%	1.4%
FTSE 100	-0.4%	1.6%	1.6%	Borsa Istanbul	1.5%	6.1%	6.1%
FTSE MIB	0.0%	6.3%	6.3%				
IBEX	0.0%	4.6%	4.6%	Hang Seng	-0.5%	3.5%	3.5%
PSI (Portugal)	0.6%	6.3%	6.3%	Shanghai Comp	-0.4%	2.6%	2.6%
ASE	-0.9%	0.6%	0.6%	KOSPI	0.0%	3.8%	3.8%
				Sensex	0.2%	0.9%	0.9%
Nikkei	-0.2%	1.9%	1.9%	Jakarta Comp	0.2%	3.7%	3.7%
ASX 300	0.3%	4.1%	4.1%	Thai SET	0.2%	1.1%	1.1%

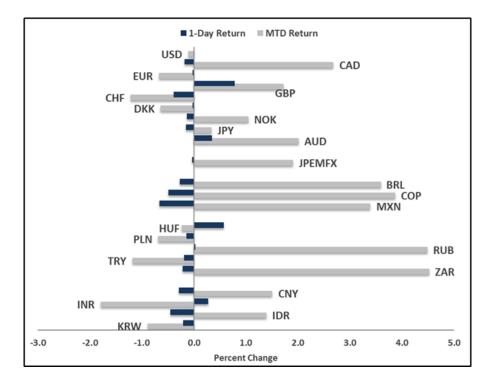
Bond Markets:

Treasuries were weaker in the belly as yields in the 5- to 10-year part of the curve rose 3 bps, while credit continued to strengthen.

Bond	Yield (%)		1-Day (bps)		MTD bps)		A YTD (bps)
UST 2yr	2.56	r	3	Ŷ	8	Ŷ	8
UST 5yr	2.57	T	3	Ŷ	6	T	6
UST 10yr	2.75	T	3	Ŷ	6	T	6
UST 30yr	3.07	Ð	0	Ŷ	6	T	6
UK 10 yr	1.33	Ŷ	3	Ŧ	6	Ŷ	6
GER 10 yr	0.24	T	2	⇒	0	⇒	0
FRF 10yr	0.64	Ŷ	1	Ψ	-6		-6
ITL 10yr	2.76	T	1	Ŷ	2	T	2
ESP 10yr	1.36		-1		-5		-5
PTE 10yr	1.75	•	-3	Ŧ	4	r	4
JPY 10yr	0.01	$\mathbf{\hat{r}}$	1	ſ	2	Ŷ	2

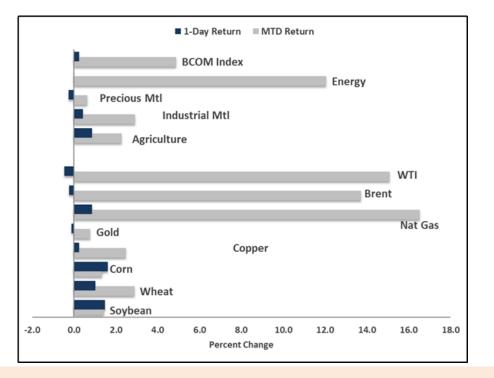
Currency Markets:

The U.S. dollar index was flat. British pound had its best day in over a month, rallying 0.8% as sentiment continues to seesaw on Brexit. Hungarian forint 0.6% led among emerging market crosses as markets price a more hawkish outlook for monetary policy.



Commodity Markets:

The Bloomberg Commodity Index gained 0.2%. Grains jumped on the trade headlines with soybeans and wheat finished 1.5% and 1.7% higher, respectively. Crude oil was largely unchanged on the day but was down as much as -2.5% intraday.



MACRO OVERVIEW

The Philadelphia Fed's manufacturing business outlook gave a boost to the market and offset some of concern arising from yesterday's Beige Book. The headline index for manufacturing activity in the region increased 7.9 points to 17.0, well above expectations, as 30% of manufacturers reported an increase in activity and new orders rose to a six-month high.

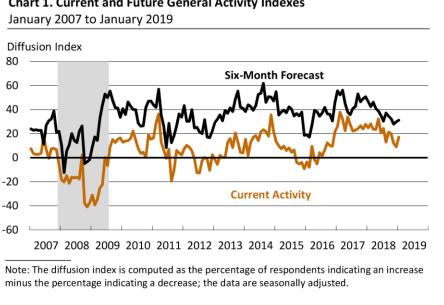


Chart 1. Current and Future General Activity Indexes

Source: Philadelphia FRB

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