

Weekly Review July 14, 2017

Chart of the Week



Weekly Highlights

- Janet Yellen Speaks. Federal Reserve Chair, Janet Yellen, conceded that wage pressures are weak but warned it's premature to conclude that inflation trends are falling back below 2%. She repeated that inflation is being held down by unusual factors, and uncertainty remains as to when it will respond to high levels of employment. Other comments centered on the Federal Reserve's (Fed's) balance sheet, with the takeaway being that she expects the Fed's reserves, currently at \$4.5 trillion, to be reduced substantially. Yellen declined to say how low the balance sheet will ultimately be reduced.
- Jobless claims held with little change. Demand for labor is very strong, reflected in jobless claims that are at historic lows. Initial claims for the week ended July 8 were 247,000. Continuing claims, where data lag by a week, fell by 20,000 to 1.945 million, with the 4-week average at 1.949 million, also up slightly. The unemployment rate for insured workers is unchanged at a very low 1.4%.
- **Consumer Price Index Numbers Released.** Core consumer prices could manage only a 0.1% increase in June. In what is one of the weakest 4-month stretches in 60 years of records, this is the third straight 0.1% showing for the core (ex food & energy) that was preceded by the very rare 0.1% decline in March. Housing, which is a central category, continues to moderate, also coming in at 0.1%, following a 0.2% gain in May

Talking Points

- US equity markets rose moderately, pushing major benchmarks into record territory, including a 24th record high for the Dow. Emerging markets also ticked higher, as contributions from China and Russia aided performance.
- The Treasury yield curve flattened marginally, despite the yield on the 10year note edging up to 2.35% on Thursday. This is still lower on the year, however, as the Fed's more dovish tone has made investors cautious of a potentially more conservative pace of US rate hikes.
- Commodities remained relatively flat, with the Bloomberg Commodity Index finishing slightly lower after an up-anddown week. Crude oil has advanced over four consecutive days, extending the week's gain to 4.2%, as the global demand outlook improves.
- The US Dollar ended the week lower against a basket of major trade partners' currencies, reversing earlier gains and hitting an 8-month low. The dollar fell after Fed Chair Yellen's comments on inflation, calling investors to lower expectations on the pace of US rate increases, as well as concerns spurred by emails between President Donald Trump's son and a Kremlin-linked lawyer, reigniting collusion speculation.
- In other economic news: Consumer spending has been modest, but consumers did run up their credit-card debt in May, helping to lift consumer credit outstanding by a larger-thanexpected \$18.4 billion. Credit card debt may not be a plus for long-term consumer health, but it is one for nearterm consumer spending and gross domestic product (GDP).

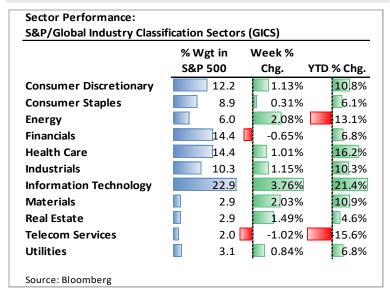
Market Dashboard

	Last Price	Change	% Chg.	YTD %
S&P 500	2,459.27	34.09	1.41%	9.8%
Dow Industrials	21,637.74	223.40	1.04%	9.5%
Nasdaq	6,312.47	159.39	2.59%	17.3%
Russell 2000	1,428.82	12.98	0.92%	5.3%
Euro Stoxx Index	386.84	6.66	1.75%	7.0%
Shanghai Composite	3,222.42	4.46	0.14%	3.8%
Russell Global	1,964.85	28.43	1.47%	11.5%

Source: Bloomberg; Index % change is based on price.



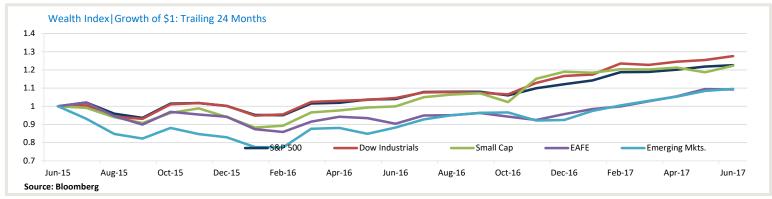
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		One Week	κ	YTD					
	Value		Growth	Value		Growth			
L	0.51%	1.41%	2.26%	3.58%	10.33%	16.87%			
	1.28%	1.37%	1.49%	4.89%	8.28%	12.49%			
S	0.53%	0.92%	1.29%	-0.01%	5.28%	11.18%			
	Source: B	loomberg							





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The Economy and Markets

A Macro View – Who Wants a Raise?

As the economic expansion enters its ninth year, investors have grown accustomed to the Federal Reserve's (Fed) "wait-andsee" approach to monetary policy and its well-telegraphed path towards interest rate and balance sheet normalization. Amidst the slew of economic data the Fed takes into account are the important non-farm payroll numbers and their ability to translate into wage growth. In June, the economy added 222,000 jobs, beating expectations for a 179,000 increase, and continued a record 81-month stretch in which the US has added jobs, absorbing roughly 16 million workers since the start of the recovery. These are numbers the Fed was likely hoping for, keeping the unemployment rate at 4.4%. This was a slight increase from May's 16-year low in the unemployment rate, but was a result of more people entering the workforce, which can be viewed as a positive for the economy. However, one nagging problem persists: stagnant wage growth.

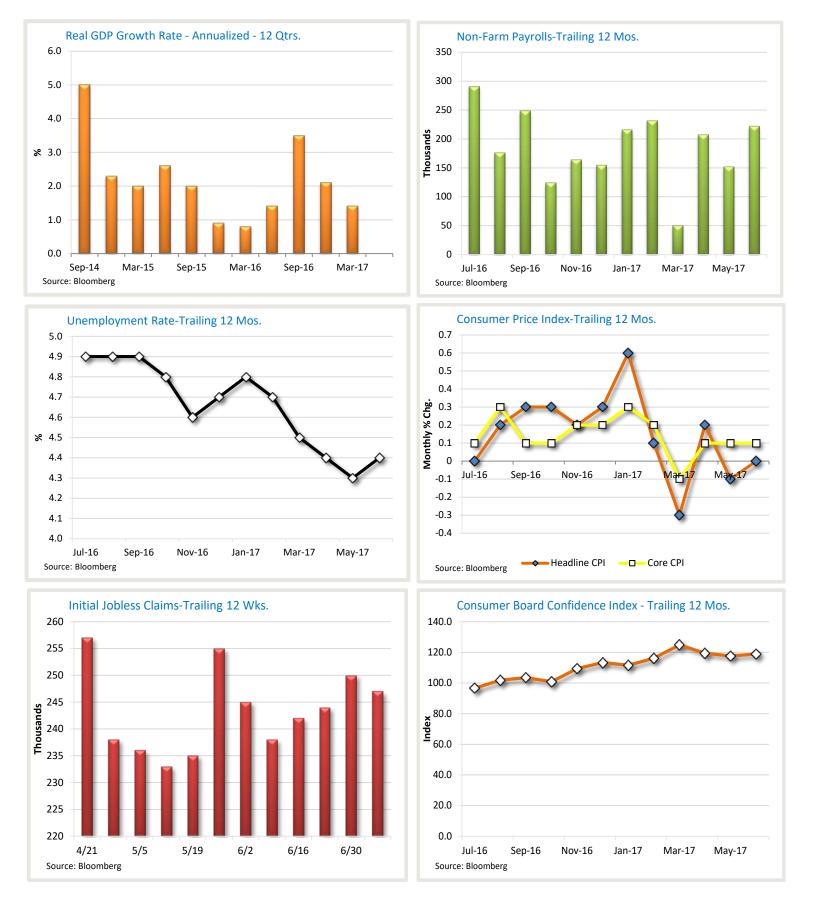
Lagging wage growth is more than a problem for individual workers, who see their purchasing power erode as their expenses grow faster than their earnings. The US, as a consumer-centric economy, relies on ever-increasing consumer spending. History tells us that as the jobless rate decreases, firms' need for workers and resultant labor shortages increase bargaining power for workers, ultimately resulting in higher wages. Past economic expansions consistently show wage growth above 3.0%, as seen in the 2000s, prior to the recession, 3.2% growth during the 1990s, and 3.3% growth in the 1980s. For years after the 2008 crisis, growth in average hourly earnings stayed low, hovering around 2.0% year over year. The average hourly earnings growth for private sector workers reported in June 2017 was a disappointing 2.5% year over year. What is so different about this expansion that wage growth is significantly lower than past cycles, despite low unemployment?

Economists point to a variety of factors that may help explain why the US finds itself in its current dilemma. To begin, a globalized economy appears to have taken its toll on wage growth, exerting downward pressure on what workers can earn everywhere. Wealthier countries have lost jobs to low-wage economies, particularly in lower-skilled labor roles, with countries like China having absorbed these jobs. Additionally, although job numbers are rising, the type of jobs offered in the post-recession economy are different from those lost in the recession. Many jobs lost then, particularly in the construction and manufacturing sectors, have not returned, and, to a large extent, have been replaced by lower-paid service jobs. Economists have termed this the "decomposition effect." New employees, especially low-wage workers, are hired for less than the average wage rate, compared to peers, bringing down the average across all workers as a result. Further, retiring Baby Boomers are leaving behind high-paid positions that are either not backfilled or are filled at a lower rate of pay. Additionally, some economists contend many firms were not able to lower wages as much as they wanted or needed to during and after the financial crisis. If true, this could have resulted in a slower pace of wage increases to make up for past costs. Other research from a <u>2014 National Bureau of Economic Research study</u> also points to a slowing in labor mobility, as a traditional source of wage growth resulted from changing jobs across firms or sectors in an effort to "climb the corporate ladder."

Although no single reason stands out as the lone culprit keeping wage growth stubbornly tepid, there is something amiss in the labor market, a reminder from the Great Recession. Many measures depict a US economy on a path towards higher economic growth and monetary normalization, but structural shifts in the domestic labor market appear to have resulted in below-trend wage growth, with a large number of frustrated workers wondering when their next meaningful raise will come.

Sources: Bloomberg and Business Insider

Economic Data



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Eurozone

SELECTED EUROPEAN SOVEREIGN YIELD PERFORMANCE									
	Last	Change	% Chg.	YTD %		Last	Change	% Chg.	YTD %
Germany 10-Yr. Govt.	0.59	0 bps	NM	NM	France 10-Yr. Govt.	0.86	8 bps	NM	NM
Greece 10-Yr. Govt.	5.28	6 bps	NM	NM	Ireland 10-Yr. Govt.	0.89	6 bps	NM	NM
Italy 10-Yr. Govt.	2.28	5 bps	NM	NM	Portugal 10-Yr. Govt.	3.12	1 bps	NM	NM
Spain 10-Yr. Govt.	1.64	7 bps	NM	NM	Netherlands 10-Yr. Govt.	0.71	5 bps	NM	NM
Belgium 10-Yr. Govt.	0.87	6 bps	NM	NM	U.K. 10-Yr. Govt.	1.31	-1 bps	NM	NM
Source: Bloomberg									

Basis points (bps)



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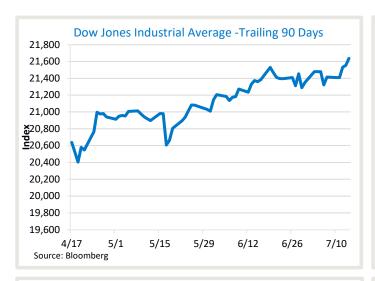
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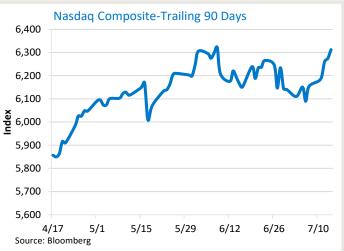
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Russell Global EM	3,241.60	76.07	2.40%	18.7%
S&P/TSX (Canada)	15,174.81	147.65	0.98%	-0.74%
Mexico IPC	51,162.23	1103.21	2.20%	12.09%
Brazil Bovespa	65,436.18	3113.78	5.00%	8.65%
Euro Stoxx 600	386.84	6.66	1.75%	7.03%
FTSE 100	7,378.39	27.47	0.37%	3.30%
IBEX 35 (Spain)	10,655.10	166.30	1.59%	13.93%

	Last	Change	% Chg.	YTD %
Swiss Market Index	9,034.57	151.30	1.70%	9.91%
CAC 40 Index (France)	5,235.31	90.15	1.75%	7.67%
DAX Index (Germany)	12,631.72	243.04	1.96%	10.02%
Irish Overall Index	6,893.47	18.26	0.27%	5.77%
Nikkei 225	20,118.86	189.77	0.95%	5.26%
Hang Seng Index	26,389.23	1048.38	4.14%	19.95%
Shanghai Composite	3,222.42	4.46	0.14%	3.83%
Kospi Index (S. Korea)	2,414.63	34.76	1.46%	19.16%
Taiwan Taiex Index	10,443.91	146.66	1.42%	12.86%
Tel Aviv 25 Index	1,456.12	27.76	1.94%	-1.00%
MICEX Index (Russia)	1,960.69	48.21	2.52%	-12.18%

Source: Bloomberg; Index % change is based on price.









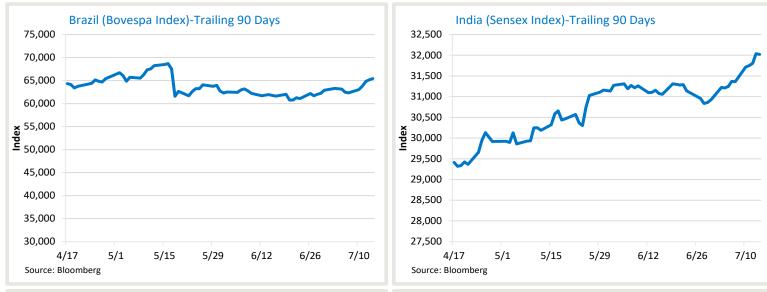
Equities – Emerging and Frontier Markets

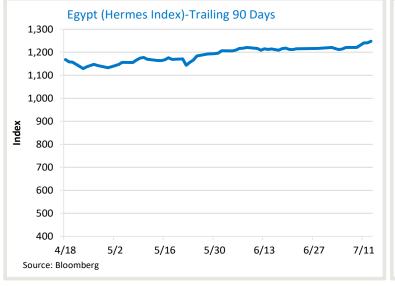
EMERGING AND FRONTIER MARKET PERFORMANCE

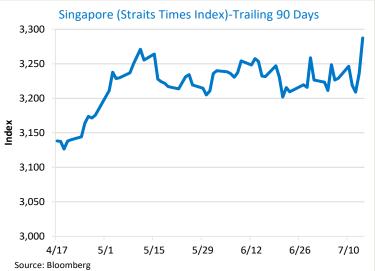
Last	Change	% Chg.	YTD %
51,162.23	1103.21	2.2%	12.1%
65,436.18	3113.78	5.0%	8.6%
1,960.69	48.21	2.5%	-12.2%
1,000.54	8.36	0.8%	8.6%
105,175.73	5091.31	5.1%	34.6%
1,248.15	26.89	2.2%	14.6%
3,642.90	38.84	1.1%	14.3%
7,313.42	109.43	1.5%	1.4%
1,151.89	0.48	0.0%	-4.9%
565.88	5.26	0.9%	6.7%
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	Last	Change	% Chg.	YTD %
Hang Seng Index	26,389.23	1048.38	4.1%	19.9%
India (Sensex 30)	32,020.75	660.12	2.1%	20.3%
Malaysia (KLCI Index)	1,755.00	-4.93	-0.3%	6.9%
Singapore (Straits Times Index)	3,287.43	58.42	1.8%	14.1%
Thailand (SET Index)	1,577.79	8.15	0.5%	2.3%
Indonesia (Jakarta)	5,831.80	17.00	0.3%	10.1%
Pakistan (Karachi KSE 100)	44,337.44	-884.71	-2.0%	-7.3%
Vietnam (Ho Chi Minh)	777.60	1.87	0.2%	17.0%
Sri Lanka (Colombo)	6,766.14	28.64	0.4%	8.6%
Cambodia (Laos)	1,030.56	17.69	1.7%	1.6%

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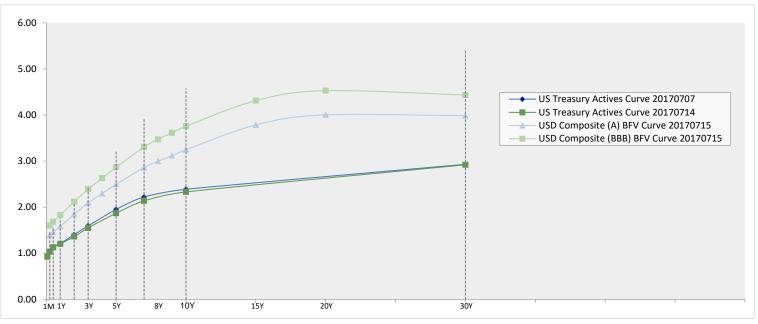




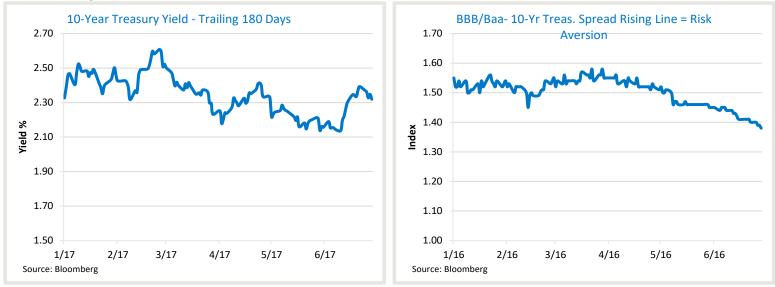
Interest Rates

SELECTED INTEREST RATES									
	Last	Change	% Chg.	YTD %		Last	Change	% Chg.	YTD %
2-Yr. U.S. Treasury	1.36%	1 bps	NM	NM	Prime Rate	4.25%	0.00	NM	NM
5-Yr. U.S. Treasury	1.86%	-10 bps	NM	NM	Fed Funds Rate	1.25%	0.00	NM	NM
10-Yr. U.S. Treasury	2.32%	-7 bps	NM	NM	Discount Rate	1.75%	0.00	NM	NM
30-Yr. U.S. Treasury	2.91%	-3 bps	NM	NM	LIBOR (3 Mo.)	1.30%	0 bps	NM	NM
German 10-Yr. Govt.	0.59%	0 bps	NM	NM	Bond Buyer 40 Muni	3.68%	-6 bps	NM	NM
France 10-Yr.	0.86%	8 bps	NM	NM	Bond Buyer 40 G.O.	3.61%	NA	NM	NM
Italy 10-Yr.	2.28%	5 bps	NM	NM	Bond Buyer 40 Rev.	3.77%	NA	NM	NM
Fed 5-Yr Fwd BE Inf.	1.79%	4 bps	NM	NM					
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Source: Bloomberg



Source: Bloomberg



Currencies

	Last	Change	% Chg.	YTD %				
Dollar Index	95.09	-0.892	-0.93%	-6.94%	Chinese Y			
Euro	1.15	0.007	0.61%	9.07%	Swiss Fra			
Japanese Yen	112.52	-1.430	1.27%	3.97%	New Zea			
British Pound	1.31	0.022	1.74%	6.27%	Brazilian			
Canadian Dollar	1.26	-0.023	1.79%	6.26%	Mexican			
Source: Bloomberg								

SELECTED CURRENCY PERFORMANCE

	Last	Change	% Chg.	YTD %
Chinese Yuan	6.78	-0.031	0.45%	2.51%
Swiss Franc	0.96	-0.001	0.08%	5.79%
New Zealand Dollar	0.73	0.007	0.91%	5.96%
Brazilian Real	3.18	-0.098	3.08%	2.09%
Mexican Peso	17.55	-0.539	3.07%	18.09%

Source: Bloomberg

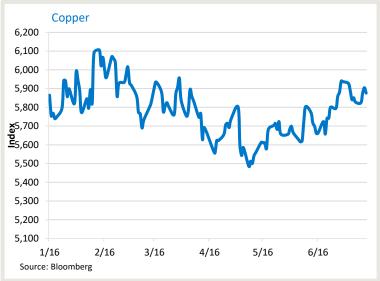


SELECTED COMMODITY MARKET PERFORMANCE												
	Last	Change	% Chg.	YTD %		Last	Change	% Chg.				
Bloomberg Comm. Idx.	82.70	0.90	1.10%	-5.50%	Platinum Spot	\$921.72	\$14.94	1.65%				
Crude Oil	\$46.62	\$2.39	5.40%	-18.07%	Corn	376.25	-16.25	-4.14%				
Natural Gas	\$2.98	\$0.12	4.02%	-16.67%	Wheat	510.75	-24.25	-4.53%				
Gasoline (\$/Gal.)	\$2.26	-\$0.01	-0.35%	-3.47%	Soybeans	1,001.50	-14.00	-1.38%				
Heating Oil	151.90	7.05	4.87%	-14.03%	Sugar	14.30	0.15	1.06%				
Gold Spot	\$1,228.45	\$16.12	1.33%	7.07%	Orange Juice	126.90	-6.85	-5.12%				
Silver Spot	\$15.97	\$0.36	2.32%	0.31%	Aluminum	1,923.00	-7.00	-0.36%				

Source: Bloomberg; % change is based on price.



Copper





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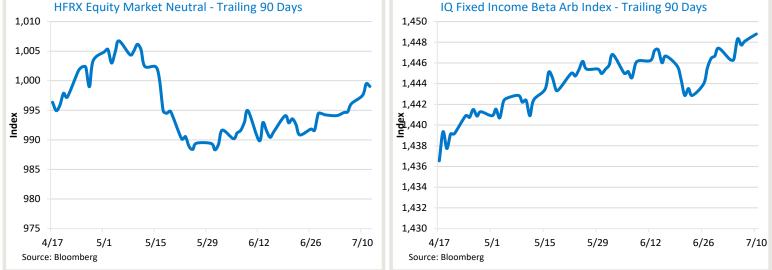
Alternative Investments

	Last	Change	% Chg.	YTD %		Last	Change	% Chg.	YTD %
HFRX Global Hedge Fund Index	1240.61	6.40	0.52%	3.09%	HFRX Distressed Index	1101.37	3.46	0.32%	2.64%
HFRX Equity Market Neutral	998.20	2.08	0.21%	1.11%	HFRX Merger Arbitrage Index	1834.08	-0.61	-0.03%	1.19%
HFRX Equity Hedge Index	1207.21	6.68	0.56%	4.48%	HFRX Convertible Arbitrage Index	776.88	2.59	0.33%	4.61%
HFRX Event-Driven Index	1642.88	9.08	0.56%	5.02%	HFRX Macro CTA Index	1132.55	7.86	0.70%	-0.25%
HFRX Absolute Return Index	1047.93	3.27	0.31%	1.89%	IQ Fixed Income Beta Arb Index	1449.73	1.61	0.11%	2.10%

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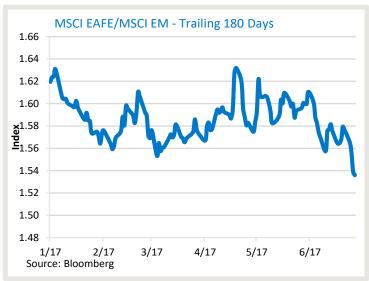
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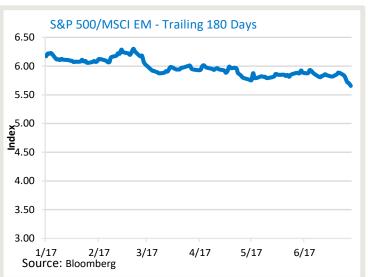


Portfolio Construction



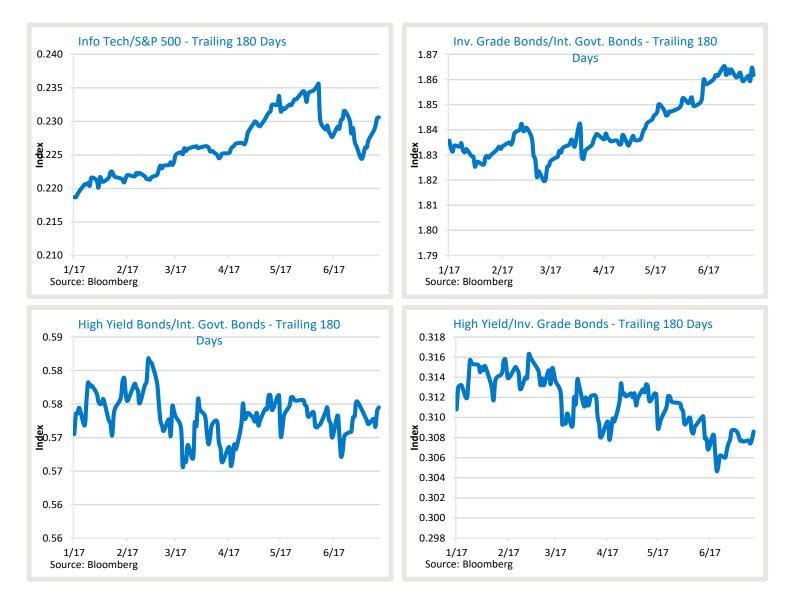








Portfolio Construction (continued)



WEEKLY ASSET CLASS PERFORMANCE (Prior 12 weeks ending Thursday)														
			4/27	5/4	5/11	5/18	5/25	6/1	6/8	6/15	6/22	6/29	7/6	7/13
Domestic Equity Equity Int'l. Equity	Large Cap (R200)	1.47%	0.24%	0.08%	-1.17%	2.09%	0.56%	0.29%	-0.17%	0.23%	-0.69%	-0.39%	1.58%	
	Equity	Small Cap (R2000)	2.38%	-2.00%	0.10%	-2.09%	1.64%	0.92%	1.40%	-0.39%	-0.39%	0.83%	-1.09%	1.77%
	MSCI EAFE	2.93%	0.94%	0.28%	0.55%	1.27%	0.12%	-0.01%	-0.92%	0.48%	0.52%	-0.70%	1.19%	
	MSCI Em. Mkts.	2.21%	0.04%	2.07%	-1.20%	2.65%	-0 60%	1.05%	-1.51%	0.52%	0.52%	-0.78%	3.43%	
Fixed	Income	BarCap Agg. (AGG)	-2.04%	-3.28%	-1 23%	-1.56%	-7.92%	2.41%	-1.34%	14.14%	-5.67%	-3.48%	17.54%	-2.37%
Fixed	Fixed Income	High Yield (JNK)	0.62%	-0.81%	0.68%	0.03%	0.59%	-0 13%	-0.30%	0.05%	-0.56%	0.43%	-0.67%	0.68%
Comm	nodities	Bloomberg Commodity Index	-0.98%	-1.68%	1.11%	0.36%	0.34%	-1 48%	-0.35%	-1.53%	-1.93%	2.49%	1.34%	-0.60%
Alter	natives	Hedge Funds (HFRX Global)	0.46%	-0.02%	0.17%	-0.38%	0.56%	0.14%	0.02%	-0.26%	0.32%	0.02%	-0.21%	0.59%
Asset Allocation		60/40*	0.54%	-1.17%	-0 22%	-1.08%	-1.63%	1.08%	-0.21%	4.65%	-1.89%	-1.22%	5.74%	0.20%
		48/32/20 (w/Alts.)**	0.53%	-0.94%	-0 14%	-0.94%	-1.19%	0.89%	-0.16%	3.67%	-1.45 <mark>%</mark>	-0.97%	4.55%	0.28%

WEEKLY ASSET CLASS PERFORMANCE (Prior 12 weeks ending Thursday)

Source: Bloomberg; *60/40 portfolio = 30% Large Cap/10% Small Cap/15% EAFE/5% Emerging Markets/35% BarCap Agg./5% High Yield. **48/32/20 portfolio = 24% Large Cap/8% Small Cap/12% EAFE/4% Emerging Markets/28% BarCap Agg./4% High Yield/20% HFRX Global Index.

RELATIVE STRENGTH MATRIX (BASED ON 30-DAY RSI)

	Large Cap Core	Large Cap Growth	Large Cap Value	Mid Cap Core	Mid Cap Growth	Mid Cap Value	Small Cap Core	Small Cap Growth	Small Cap Value	Int'l. Developed	Emerging Markets	REITs	Comm.	Int. Bond	High Yield
Large Cap Core	1.00	0.99	1.09	1.05	1.02	1.08	1.06	1.02	1.11	1.00	0.92	1.16	1.23	1.09	1.13
Large Cap Growth	1.01	1.00	1.10	1.06	1.04	1.10	1.07	1.03	1.12	1.01	0.93	1.17	1.25	1.10	1.14
Large Cap Value	0.92	0.91	1.00	0.96	0.94	1.00	0.97	0.94	1.02	0.92	0.84	1.07	1.13	1.00	1.04
Mid Cap Core	0.95	0.94	1.04	1.00	0.98	1.04	1.01	0.97	1.06	0.95	0.88	1.11	1.18	1.04	1.08
Mid Cap Growth	0.98	0.96	1.06	1.02	1.00	1.06	1.03	0.99	1.08	0.97	0.89	1.13	1.20	1.06	1.10
Mid Cap Value	0.92	0.91	1.00	0.97	0.94	1.00	0.97	0.94	1.02	0.92	0.85	1.07	1.14	1.00	1.04
Small Cap Core	0.95	0.94	1.03	0.99	0.97	1.03	1.00	0.96	1.05	0.95	0.87	1.10	1.17	1.03	1.07
Small Cap Growth	0.98	0.97	1.07	1.03	1.01	1.07	1.04	1.00	1.09	0.98	0.90	1.14	1.21	1.07	1.11
Small Cap Value	0.90	0.89	0.98	0.95	0.93	0.98	0.95	0.92	1.00	0.90	0.83	1.05	1.11	0.98	1.02
Int'l. Developed	1.00	0.99	1.09	1.05	1.03	1.09	1.06	1.02	1.11	1.00	0.92	1.16	1.23	1.09	1.13
Emerging Markets	1.09	1.08	1.19	1.14	1.12	1.18	1.15	1.11	1.21	1.09	1.00	1.26	1.34	1.19	1.23
REITS	0.86	0.85	0.94	0.90	0.89	0.94	0.91	0.88	0.96	0.86	0.79	1.00	1.06	0.94	0.98
Commodities	0.81	0.80	0.88	0.85	0.83	0.88	0.86	0.83	0.90	0.81	0.74	0.94	1.00	0.88	0.92
Int. Bond	0.92	0.91	1.00	0.96	0.94	1.00	0.97	0.93	1.02	0.92	0.84	1.06	1.13	1.00	1.04
High Yield	0.88	0.87	0.96	0.93	0.91	0.96	0.93	0.90	0.98	0.88	0.81	1.02	1.09	0.96	1.00

Source: Bloomberg

The Relative Strength Matrix provides an indication of how the various asset classes have performed relative to one another over the past 30 days. A number greater than 1.0 indicates that the asset class in the far left column has outperformed the corresponding asset class in the top row over the past 30 days. A number below 1.0 means the asset class on the left has underperformed the asset class at the top. The green shading indicates outperformance, and the red shading indicates underperformance.

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The S&P 500 Index is an unmanaged index comprised of 500 widely held securities considered to be representative of the stock market in general. The S&P/Case-Shiller Home Price Indices measure the residential housing market, tracking changes in the value of the residential real estate market in 20 metropolitan regions across the United States. The Nasdaq Composite is a stock market index of the common stocks and similar securities listed on the NASDAQ stock market. The MSCI EAFE Index represents 21 developed markets outside of North America. The MSCI EAFE Growth Index is an unmanaged index considered representative of growth stocks of Europe, Australasia and the Far East. The MSCI EAFE Value Index is an unmanaged index considered representative of value stocks of Europe, Australasia and the Far East. The MSCI Emerging Markets Index is a free float-adjusted market capitalization index that is designed to measure equity market performance in the global emerging markets. 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The Russell 1000 Index is a market capitalization-weighted benchmark index made up of the 1000 largest U.S. companies in the Russell 3000 Index. The Russell 1000 Growth Index is an unmanaged index considered representative of large-cap growth stocks. The Russell 1000 Value Index is an unmanaged index considered representative of large-cap value stocks. The Russell 2000 Index is an unmanaged index considered representative of small-cap stocks. The Russell 2000 Growth Index is an unmanaged index considered representative of small-cap growth stocks. The Russell 2000 Growth Index is an unmanaged index considered representative of small-cap value stocks. The Russell 3000 Index is an unmanaged index considered representative of the US stock market. The Russell Midcap Index is a subset of the Russell 1000 Index. It includes approximately 800 of the smallest securities based on a combination of their market cap and current index membership. The Russell Midcap Growth Index is an unmanaged index considered representative of mid-cap growth stocks. The Russell Midcap Value Index is an unmanaged index considered representative of mid-cap value stocks. The HFRX Indices are a series of benchmarks of hedge fund industry performance which are engineered to achieve representative performance of a larger universe of hedge fund strategies. Hedge Fund Research, Inc. employs the HFRX Methodology (UCITS compliant), a proprietary and highly quantitative process by which hedge funds are selected as constituents for the HFRX Indices. The ISM Non-Manufacturing Index is an index based on surveys of more than 400 nonmanufacturing firms' purchasing and supply executives, within 60 sectors across the nation, by the Institute of Supply Management (ISM). The ISM Non-Manufacturing Index tracks economic data, like the ISM Non-Manufacturing Business Activity Index. 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