

Weekly Review July 20, 2018

Chart of the Week



Weekly Highlights

- Retail sales surged. Not only the June retail sales rose an impressive 0.5%, but the May growth was revised substantially higher from 0.8% to 1.3%.
- June housing starts plunged. June housing starts plunged a much-worse-than-expected 12.3%, the biggest drop since November 2016.
- Jobless claims hit a multidecade low. Initial jobless claims for the week ended 7/13 continued to drop, sliding to a seasonally adjusted 207,000, the lowest since December 1969.

Talking Points

- Among equities, small caps outperformed large caps; growth stocks beat value stocks; international stocks essentially matched the performance of US stocks; and emerging markets underperformed developed markets.
- Treasury yields little changed.
 The yield on the 10-year Treasury
 Note stayed close to the 2.85%
 level.
- Commodity indices declined slightly, dragged down mainly by sliding gold price, which hit a 52week low during the week.
- The dollar's rise slowed somewhat, after President Trump complained about the strong dollar.
- Among major economic data, retail sales surged, housing starts plunged, and jobless claims hit a multidecade low.

Market Dashboard

	Last Price	Change	% Chg.	YTD %
S&P 500	2,801.83	0.52	0.02%	4.8%
Dow Industrials	25,058.12	38.71	0.15%	1.4%
Nasdaq	7,820.20	-5.78	-0.07%	13.3%
Russell 2000	1,696.81	9.73	0.58%	10.5%
Euro Stoxx Index	385.62	0.59	0.15%	-0.9%
Shanghai Composite	2,829.27	-1.91	-0.07%	-14.5%
Russell Global	2,154.50	-1.95	-0.09%	0.5%
Source: Bloomberg; Index % char	nge is based on p	orice.		

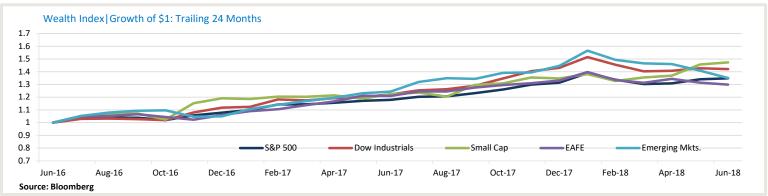
	Last Price	Change	% Chg.	YTD %
Russell Global EM	3,331.78	-45.74	-1.35%	-8.6%
10-Year US Treas.	2.90	6 bps	NM	NM
Bloomberg Cmdts. Idx.	83.68	-0.15	-0.18%	-5.1%
Gold	\$1,229.53	-\$12.52	-1.01%	-5.4%
Crude Oil	\$68.11	-\$1.85	-2.64%	15.3%
Dollar Index	94.46	-0.20	-0.21%	2.6%
VIX Index	12.86	0.68	5.58%	16.5%

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		One Weel	(YTD	
	Value		Growth	Value		Growth
L	0.05%	0.00%	-0.05%	-1.67%	5.34%	11.60%
	-0.15%	0.09%	0.43%	0.34%	4.12%	9.14%
S	0.37%	0.58%	0.78%	6.85%	10.50%	13.99%
	Source: B	loomberg				

	% Wgt in	Week %	
	S&P 500	Chg.	YTD % Chg.
Consumer Discretionary	12.9	0.45%	13.6%
Consumer Staples	6.8	0.08%	-7.7%
Energy	6.1	1.89%	3.7%
Financials	13.9	2.22%	-1.4%
Health Care	14.2	0.82%	4.9%
Industrials	9.6	0.88%	-1.9%
Information Technology	26.4	0.10%	15.4%
Materials	2.5	0.49%	-3.6%
Real Estate	2.8	1.56%	-1.6%
Telecom Services	1.9	1.84%	12.0%
Utilities	2.9	0.55%	-0.9%





The Economy and Markets

A Macro View - The IMF's Updated World Economic Outlook: A Stark Change in Sentiment

Earlier this week, the International Monetary Fund (IMF) issued an updated World Economic Outlook, keeping its global forecast unchanged since April. It continued with an optimistic prediction that the world economy will grow 3.9% through 2019, but warns that expansion will be less synchronized, with risks tilted to the downside. ¹ The IMF believes that near-term momentum in the US will continue, but is less optimistic about the eurozone, Japan, Latin America, and the U.K.

Despite the unwavering forecast, overall sentiment undoubtedly has changed. In April, the IMF reported that the global economic upswing had become broader and stronger, pointing to a notable rebound in global trade during 2017, which had increased to an estimated real growth rate of 4.9%. ² However, much has changed since then. Several trade spats later, the IMF has changed its sentiment significantly. Earlier this week its chief economist warned that ongoing trade tensions are the greatest near-term threat to global growth. In fact, the IMF's internal models suggest that if round two of levies and existing trade threats comes to fruition, it would cost global growth approximately 0.5%, amounting to an estimated \$430 billion in lost Gross Domestic Product (GDP) by 2020. ³

Although the first round of tariffs that has been imposed and gone into effect is small relative to overall trade flows and gross domestic product (GDP), it is clear that a civil resolution is nowhere in sight. Several outstanding threats remain, including another impending round of tariffs imposed by the US on automobiles from the European Union (EU), as well as an additional \$200 billion worth of goods from China, ranging from fish to telephone components. Both China and the EU were quick to announce their willingness to retaliate and implement countermeasures, quickly escalating the severity of the situation.

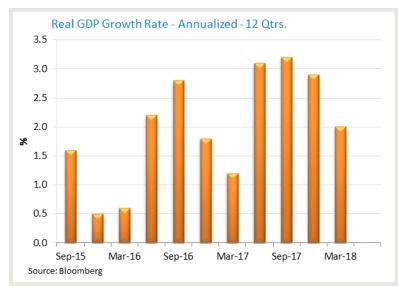
The rest of the world's willingness to preserve free trade may offer some consolation to the situation. On Tuesday, the EU did an about-face and signed its largest bilateral trade deal with Japan, which is estimated to create an open-trade zone for more than 600 million people. The EU and Japan account for approximately one-third of the world's GDP; and even though that is just a fraction more than US's GDP alone, the stance against protectionism seems to resonate strongly among the rest of the world, providing some solace in today's tense atmosphere.

¹ IMF World Economic Outlook, July 2018: Less Even Expansion, Rising Trade Tensions

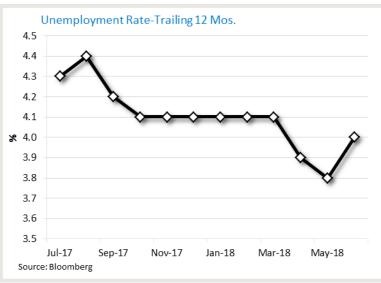
² IMF World Economic Outlook, April 2018: Cyclical Upswing, Structural Changes

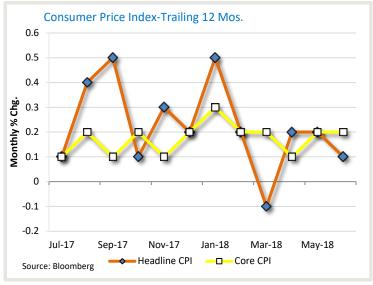
³ IMF Blogs July 18, 2018: Shifting Tides: Policy Changes and Opportunities for the G-20

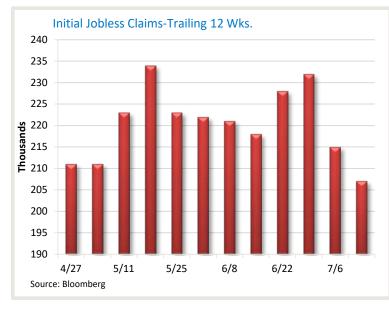
Economic Data













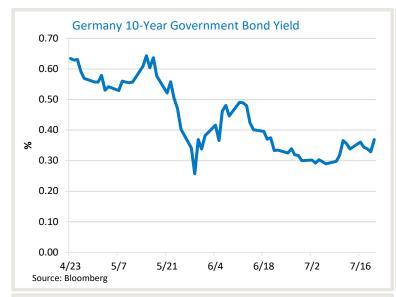
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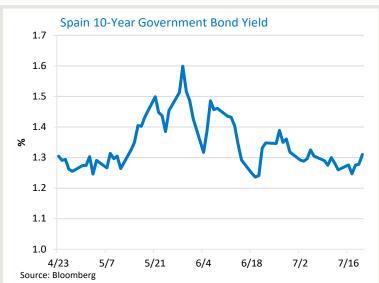
SELECTED EUROPEAN SOVEREIGN YIELD PERFORMANCE

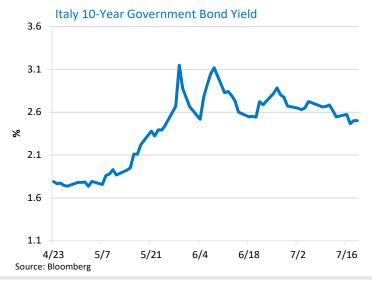
	Last	Change	% Chg.	YTD %
Germany 10-Yr. Govt.	0.37	-3 bps	NM	NM
Greece 10-Yr. Govt.	3.85	-1 bps	NM	NM
Italy 10-Yr. Govt.	2.59	-3 bps	NM	NM
Spain 10-Yr. Govt.	1.31	-5 bps	NM	NM
Belgium 10-Yr. Govt.	0.69	-6 bps	NM	NM

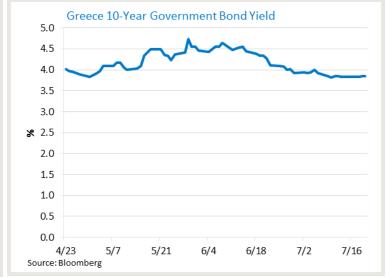
	Last	Change	% Chg.	YTD %
France 10-Yr. Govt.	0.68	-6 bps	NM	NM
Ireland 10-Yr. Govt.	0.84	-4 bps	NM	NM
Portugal 10-Yr. Govt.	1.77	-4 bps	NM	NM
Netherlands 10-Yr. Govt.	0.47	-4 bps	NM	NM
U.K. 10-Yr. Govt.	1.23	4 bps	NM	NM

Source: Bloomberg Basis points (bps)









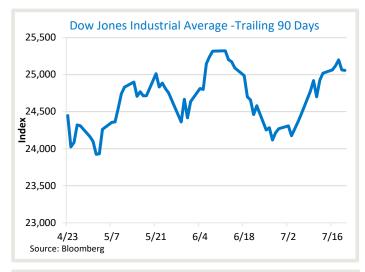
Equities

WORLD MARKET PERFORMANCE

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S&P/TSX (Canada)	16,435.46	-125.66	-0.76%	1.40%
Mexico IPC	48,908.24	502.23	1.04%	-0.90%
Brazil Bovespa	78,571.31	1976.94	2.58%	2.84%
Euro Stoxx 600	385.62	0.59	0.15%	-0.91%
FTSE 100	7,678.79	16.92	0.22%	-0.12%
IBEX 35 (Spain)	9,724.80	-10.00	-0.10%	-3.18%

	Last	Change	% Chg.	YTD %
Swiss Market Index	8,991.34	130.29	1.47%	-4.16%
CAC 40 Index (France)	5,398.32	-30.88	-0.57%	1.61%
DAX Index (Germany)	12,561.42	20.69	0.16%	-2.76%
Irish Overall Index	6,935.73	-110.28	-1.57%	-1.46%
Nikkei 225	22,697.88	509.92	2.30%	-0.29%
Hang Seng Index	28,224.48	-300.96	-1.06%	-5.66%
Shanghai Composite	2,829.27	-1.91	-0.07%	-14.45%
Kospi Index (S. Korea)	2,289.19	-21.71	-0.94%	-7.23%
Taiwan Taiex Index	10,932.11	67.57	0.62%	2.72%
Tel Aviv 25 Index	1,544.13	-5.57	-0.36%	2.28%
MOEX Index (Russia)	2,247.82	-98.61	-4.20%	6.54%

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









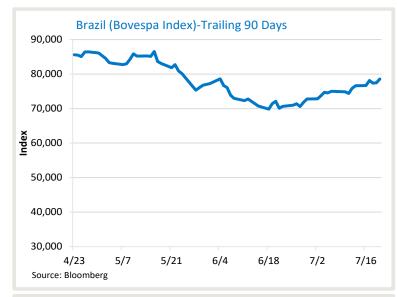
Equities – Emerging and Frontier Markets

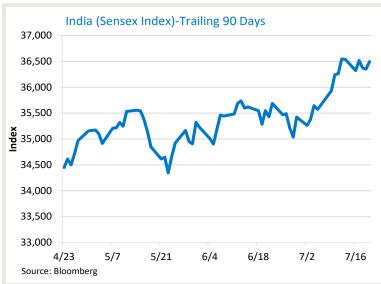
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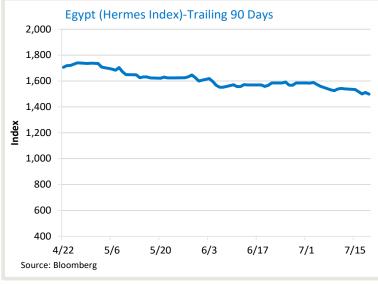
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Mexico IPC	48,908.24	502.23	1.0%	-0.9%	
Brazil (Bovespa Index)	78,571.31	1976.94	2.6%	2.8%	
MOEX Index (Russia)	2,247.82	-98.61	-4.2%	6.5%	
Czech Republic (Prague)	1,084.97	0.18	0.0%	0.6%	
Turkey (Istanbul)	94,082.34	4184.67	4.7%	-18.4%	
Egypt (Hermes Index)	1,498.40	-40.45	-2.6%	4.3%	
Kenya (Nairobi 20 Index)	3,314.60	-19.61	-0.6%	-10.7%	
Saudi Arabia (TASI Index)	8,449.97	87.56	1.0%	16.9%	
Lebanon (Beirut BLOM Index)	1,032.75	-5.75	-0.6%	-10.1%	
Palestine	543.56	-1.53	-0.3%	-5.4%	

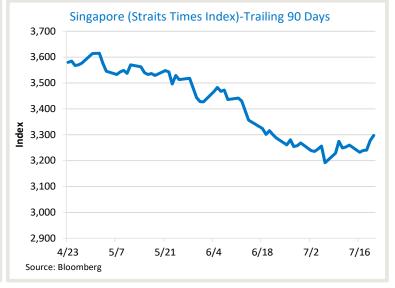
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Hang Seng Index	28,224.48	-300.96	-1.1%	-5.7%
India (Sensex 30)	36,496.37	-45.26	-0.1%	7.2%
Malaysia (KLCI Index)	1,754.67	32.74	1.9%	-2.3%
Singapore (Straits Times Index)	3,297.83	37.48	1.1%	-3.1%
Thailand (SET Index)	1,671.06	27.54	1.7%	-4.7%
Indonesia (Jakarta)	5,872.79	-71.29	-1.2%	-7.6%
Pakistan (Karachi KSE 100)	41,221.75	950.75	2.4%	1.9%
Vietnam (Ho Chi Minh)	933.39	23.67	2.6%	-5.2%
Sri Lanka (Colombo)	6,191.17	53.09	0.9%	-2.8%
Cambodia (Laos)	912.99	13.22	1.5%	-8.6%

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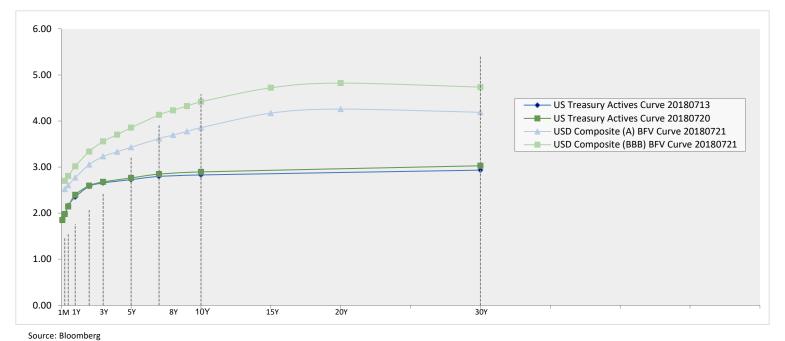
Interest Rates

SELECTED INTEREST RATES

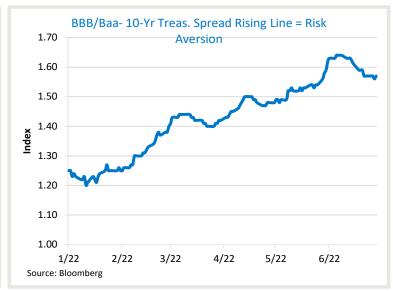
	Last	Change	% Chg.	YTD %
2-Yr. U.S. Treasury	2.59%	0 bps	NM	NM
5-Yr. U.S. Treasury	2.77%	4 bps	NM	NM
10-Yr. U.S. Treasury	2.90%	6 bps	NM	NM
30-Yr. U.S. Treasury	3.03%	10 bps	NM	NM
German 10-Yr. Govt.	0.37%	-3 bps	NM	NM
France 10-Yr.	0.68%	-6 bps	NM	NM
Italy 10-Yr.	2.59%	-3 bps	NM	NM
Fed 5-Yr Fwd BE Inf.	2.11%	-1 bps	NM	NM

	Last	Change	% Chg.	YTD %
Prime Rate	5.00%	0.00	NM	NM
Fed Funds Rate	2.00%	0.00	NM	NM
Discount Rate	2.50%	0.00	NM	NM
LIBOR (3 Mo.)	2.35%	1 bps	NM	NM
Bond Buyer 40 Muni	3.72%	2 bps	NM	NM
Bond Buyer 40 G.O.	3.83%	NA	NM	NM
Bond Buyer 40 Rev.	4.33%	NA	NM	NM

Source: Bloomberg







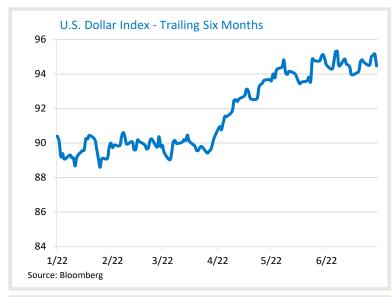
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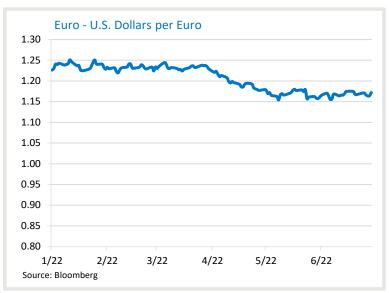
SELECTED CURRENCY PERFORMANCE

	Last	Change	% Chg.	YTD %
Dollar Index	94.45	-0.203	-0.21%	2.55%
Euro	1.17	0.004	0.31%	-2.37%
Japanese Yen	111.41	-0.920	0.83%	1.10%
British Pound	1.31	-0.009	-0.67%	-2.81%
Canadian Dollar	1.31	-0.003	0.21%	-4.27%

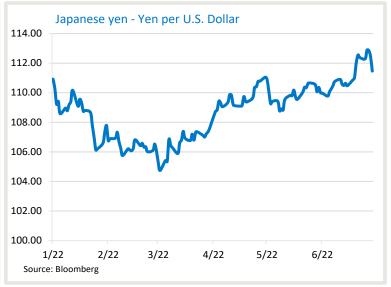
	Last	Change	% Chg.	YTD %
Chinese Yuan	6.77	0.078	-1.15%	-3.89%
Swiss Franc	0.99	-0.010	0.97%	-1.79%
New Zealand Dollar	0.68	0.006	0.86%	-4.04%
Brazilian Real	3.77	-0.080	2.11%	-12.29%
Mexican Peso	19.02	0.128	-0.67%	3.36%

Source: Bloomberg







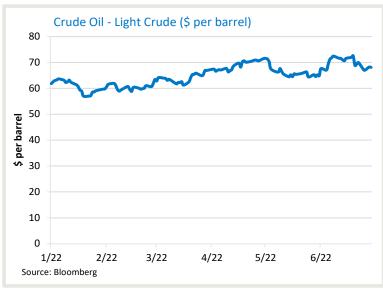


Commodities

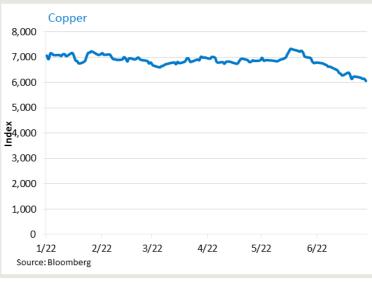
SELECTED COMMODITY MARKET PERFORMANCE

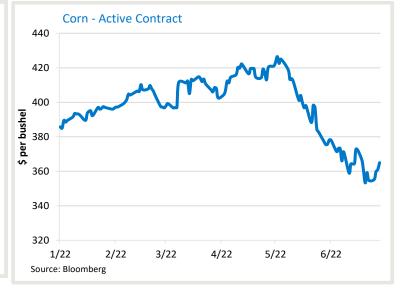
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Bloomberg Comm. ldx.	83.68	-0.15	-0.18%	-5.09%							
Crude Oil	\$68.11	-\$1.85	-2.64%	15.29%							
Natural Gas	\$2.76	\$2.76 \$0.01 0.36%		-1.60%							
Gasoline (\$/Gal.)	\$2.85	\$2.85 -\$0.03		14.68%							
Heating Oil	210.30	-3.05	-1.43%	7.06%							
Gold Spot	\$1,229.53	-\$12.52	-1.01%	-5.45%							
Silver Spot	\$15.51	-\$0.30	-1.91%	-8.41%							
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	Last	Change	% Chg.	YTD %
Platinum Spot	\$828.63	-\$0.83	-0.10%	-10.77%
Corn	369.00	14.25	4.02%	-3.91%
Wheat	516.00	19.00	3.82%	10.79%
Soybeans	864.75	30.50	3.66%	-11.38%
Sugar	11.12	0.16	1.46%	-26.89%
Orange Juice	170.95	2.15	1.27%	21.98%
Aluminum	2,001.00	-30.00	-1.48%	-11.77%
Copper	6,065.00	-172.00	-2.76%	-16.31%









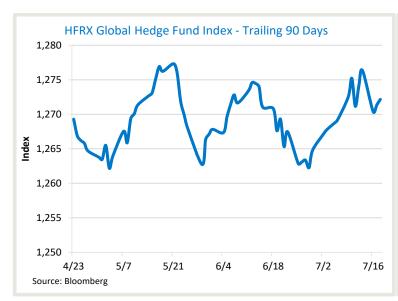
Alternative Investments

SELECTED ALTERNATIVE INVESTMENT INDEX PERFORMANCE

	Last	Change	% Chg.	YTD %
HFRX Global Hedge Fund Index	1273.47	-2.87	-0.22%	-0.17%
HFRX Equity Market Neutral	1011.42	2.77	0.27%	0.70%
HFRX Equity Hedge Index	1286.69	-8.57	-0.66%	1.25%
HFRX Event-Driven Index	1595.85	-7.79	-0.49%	-4.20%
HFRX Absolute Return Index	1077.85	2.50	0.23%	1.37%

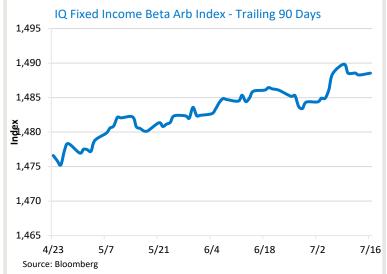
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HFRX Distressed Index	1039.52	-0.16	-0.02%	-6.07%
HFRX Merger Arbitrage Index	1842.95	-5.83	-0.32%	-0.54%
HFRX Convertible Arbitrage Index	802.12	1.86	0.23%	0.74%
HFRX Macro CTA Index	1161.27	4.85	0.42%	-0.22%
IQ Fixed Income Beta Arb Index	1490.93	2.66	0.18%	1.39%

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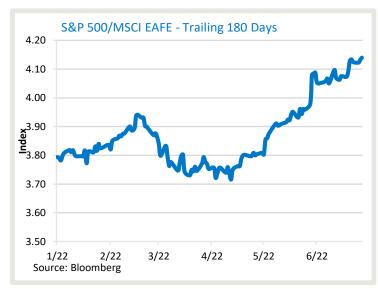


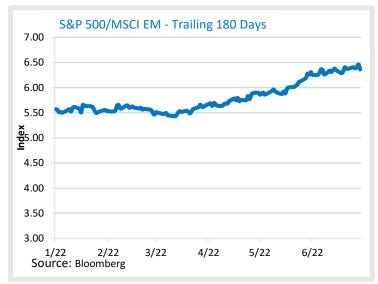


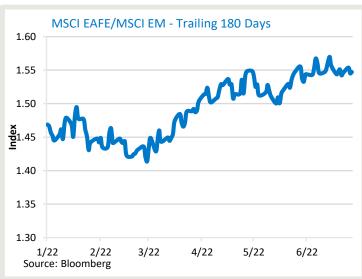




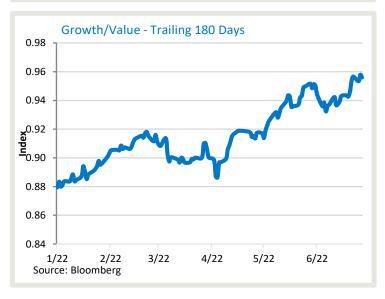
Portfolio Construction



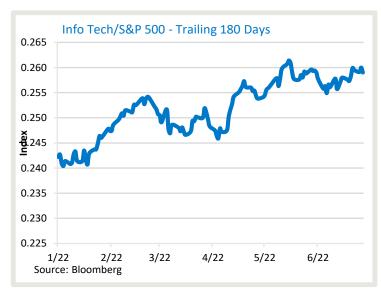


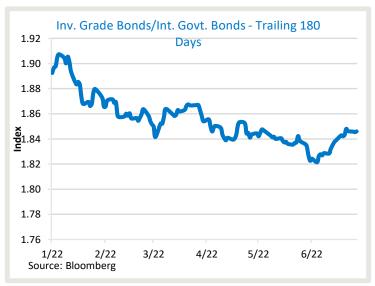


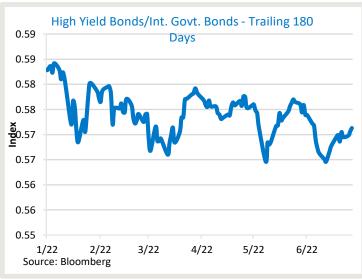


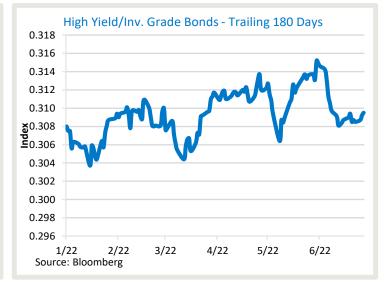


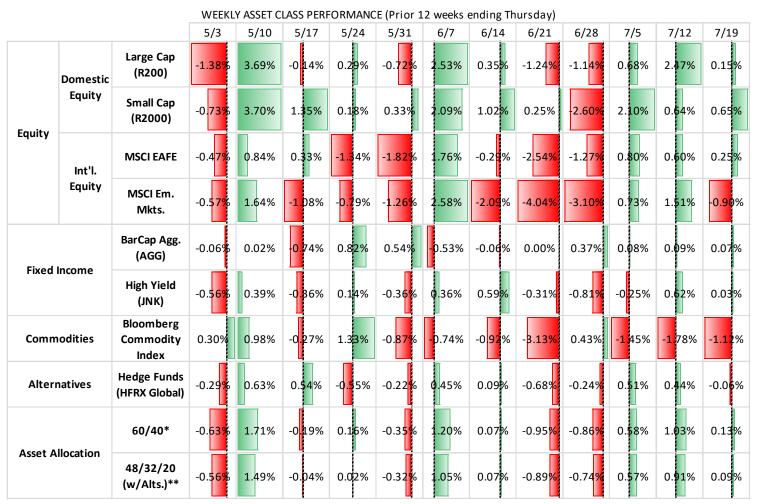
Portfolio Construction (continued)











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	0.96	1.09	1.00	0.97	1.03	0.97	0.96	0.99	1.24	1.44	0.97	1.62	1.07	1.18
Large Cap Growth	1.04	1.00	1.14	1.04	1.02	1.07	1.01	1.00	1.03	1.30	1.51	1.02	1.70	1.12	1.23
Large Cap Value	0.92	0.88	1.00	0.91	0.89	0.94	0.88	0.88	0.90	1.14	1.32	0.89	1.49	0.98	1.08
Mid Cap Core	1.00	0.96	1.10	1.00	0.98	1.03	0.97	0.96	0.99	1.25	1.45	0.98	1.63	1.07	1.18
Mid Cap Growth	1.03	0.98	1.12	1.02	1.00	1.05	0.99	0.98	1.01	1.28	1.48	1.00	1.67	1.10	1.21
Mid Cap Value	0.97	0.93	1.06	0.97	0.95	1.00	0.94	0.93	0.96	1.21	1.41	0.95	1.58	1.04	1.15
Small Cap Core	1.04	0.99	1.13	1.03	1.01	1.06	1.00	0.99	1.02	1.29	1.50	1.01	1.68	1.11	1.22
Small Cap Growth	1.04	1.00	1.14	1.04	1.02	1.07	1.01	1.00	1.03	1.30	1.51	1.02	1.69	1.11	1.23
Small Cap Value	1.02	0.97	1.11	1.01	0.99	1.04	0.98	0.97	1.00	1.26	1.47	0.99	1.65	1.08	1.20
Int'l. Developed	0.80	0.77	0.88	0.80	0.78	0.83	0.78	0.77	0.79	1.00	1.16	0.78	1.31	0.86	0.95
Emerging Markets	0.69	0.66	0.76	0.69	0.67	0.71	0.67	0.66	0.68	0.86	1.00	0.67	1.12	0.74	0.82
REITs	1.03	0.98	1.12	1.02	1.00	1.06	0.99	0.98	1.01	1.28	1.48	1.00	1.67	1.10	1.21
Commodities	0.62	0.59	0.67	0.61	0.60	0.63	0.59	0.59	0.61	0.77	0.89	0.60	1.00	0.66	0.73
Int. Bond	0.94	0.90	1.02	0.93	0.91	0.96	0.90	0.90	0.92	1.16	1.35	0.91	1.52	1.00	1.10
High Yield	0.85	0.81	0.93	0.84	0.83	0.87	0.82	0.81	0.84	1.06	1.23	0.83	1.38	0.91	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.

INDEX OVERVIEW

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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