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News Headlines

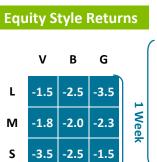
- About 3,000 firefighters continue to battle the nearly 100 wildfires raging in California and Oregon. The death toll from the fires has risen to 33 with many more still missing.
- President Trump announced on Friday that Israel and Bahrain will normalize ties in a U.S. brokered peace deal. This follows the agreement reached by Israel and the U.A.E. last month to establish diplomatic ties.
- Two Los Angeles County sheriffs are in critical condition after being shot while parked in their patrol car. The county is offering a \$100,000 reward for information leading to a conviction of the shooter.

Economic News

- New unemployment claims last week came in at 884,000, the 2nd week in a row the tally remained below 1 million. Meanwhile continuing claims rose 93,000 to 13.39M.
- Consumer Prices (CPI) rose 0.4% last month and is now running at an annualized rate of 6.3% over the last 3 months, the fastest rate of inflation since 2008. Core CPI (excludes food and energy) also rose 0.4%.
- Producer Prices (PPI) rose 0.3% last month led by higher costs for services, while costs for goods fell.

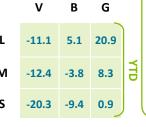
Key Commodity Prices

	Close	1 yr Ago
Dom Crude Oil (bbl)-NYMEX	37.33	54.85
Natural Gas (MMBtu)	2.27	2.61
Gold (oz)	1,948	1,500
Platinum (oz)	934	959
Copper (lb)	3.03	2.68
Coffee (lb)	1.23	1.01
Cotton (lb)	0.60	0.61
Corn (bu)	3.52	3.56
Soybeans (bu)	9.74	8.51

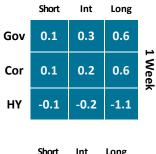


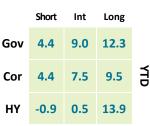
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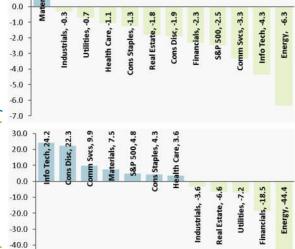


Fixed Income Returns





S&P 500 Sector Returns



Key Currency Exchange Rates

US\$ to buy Canadian Dollar	0.759
US\$ to buy Euro	1.185
US\$ to buy U.K. Pound	1.280
Yen to buy US\$	106.160

Treasury Yield Curve



Major Market Returns

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US Equities	Closing	1 WK	YTD	1 Year	5 Year
Dow Jones	27,666	-1.61	-1.34	4.44	13.71
S&P 500	3,341	-2.49	4.80	13.49	13.52
NASDAQ	10,854	-4.06	21.76	34.15	18.92
Foreign & REIT	Г	1 WK	YTD	1 Year	5 Year
MSCI EAFE NR		1.45	-5.21	2.40	4.97
MSCI EM NR		-0.67	-0.39	9.81	8.88
FTSE Nareit - AL	L REITS	-2.12	-13.22	-10.89	6.86
Bonds		1 WK	YTD	1 Year	5 Year
BBgBarc Agg Bo	nd	0.25	7.03	7.75	4.32
1-3 Mth T-Bill ET	F SPDR	0.00	0.40	0.91	0.99
BBgBarc US High	n Yield	-0.22	1.34	3.89	6.25
BBgBarc US TIPS		0.27	9.06	9.92	4.50
ML Global Broad	d Mrkt	0.14	6.25	6.61	3.98

Consumer Money Rates

Interest Rate	Last	Wk Ago	1 Yr Ago
Federal-funds rate target	0.00-0.25	0.00-0.25	2.00-2.25
Prime rate*	3.25	3.25	5.25
Libor, 3-month	0.25	0.25	2.12
Money market, annual yield	0.23	0.23	0.72
Five-year CD, annual yield	0.65	0.65	1.61
30-year mortgage, fixed	3.07	3.08	3.97
15-year mortgage, fixed	2.58	2.54	3.43
Jumbo mortgages, \$484,850-plus	3.10	3.13	4.47
Five-year adj mortage (ARM)	3.28	3.30	4.74
New-car loan, 48-month	4.18	4.17	4.64

^{*} Base rate posted by 70% of the nation's largest banks



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