# Voya Global Perspectives

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As of January 13, 2017

## **Investment Weekly**

## Commentary and Statistics

- It was a relatively flat week for U.S. equity markets following the post-election rally. The key tailwinds for stocks remain the reflation theme, positioning and better economic data. The 10-year U.S. Treasury yield closed at approximately 2.39%. Oil was flat and gold was slightly up as investors shift their attention toward earnings season.
- According to FactSet, the fourth quarter blended earnings growth rate for the S&P 500 is 3.2%. If the index reports earnings growth for the quarter, it will mark the first time the index has recorded year-overyear earnings growth for two consecutive quarters since Q4 2014 and Q1 2015. Pacific Continental, Valeant and Brookdale Senior Living impressed this week; Ethan Allen, Kohl's and Macy's were among the disappointments.
- Corporate tax reform and the repealing of Obamacare dominated a slew of political headlines during the period as the presidential inauguration approaches. President-elect Donald Trump gave his first press conference since July 2016 and pushed back against unverified allegations that Russian officials have gathered compromising information on him, as reported by BuzzFeed and CNN.
- The National Federation of Independent Business (NFIB) Index of Small Business Optimism jumped to 105.8 in December from 98.4 in November. This was ahead of the 99.6 consensus and marked the biggest monthly increase on record and the highest level since 2004.
- The report further noted that there is also evidence that higher small business optimism is leading to increased business activity, including capital investment. Last month, the NFIB said that small business optimism soared after the election on expectations that tax and regulatory headwinds will all be addressed.

Index Prices (\$)		
Index	01/13/17	12/31/16
Dow Jones Industrial Average	19,885.73	19,762.60
S&P 500 Index	2,274.64	2,238.83

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Returns (%)				
U.S. Market Indexes Returns	One Week	MTD	YTD	3-Months
Dow Jones Industrial Average	-0.39	0.68	0.68	10.60
S&P 500 Index	-0.09	1.67	1.67	7.24
Russell 2000 Index	0.37	1.13	1.13	13.27
Russell MidCap Index	0.07	1.94	1.94	7.97
Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Aggregate Index	0.20	0.37	0.37	-2.18
Bloomberg Barclays High Yield Bond Index	0.20	1.17	1.17	2.52
United States 20-Year Treasury Bond	0.52	1.62	1.62	-8.44
S&P/LSTA Senior Loan Index	0.06	0.36	0.36	2.16
S&P 500 Sector Returns	One Week	MTD	YTD	3-Months
S&P 500 Sector Returns Consumer Discretionary	One Week 0.84	MTD 3.19	3.19	<b>3-Months</b> 6.98
Consumer Discretionary	0.84	3.19	3.19	6.98
Consumer Discretionary Consumer Staples	0.84 -1.13	3.19 -0.46	3.19 -0.46	6.98 -0.73
Consumer Discretionary Consumer Staples Energy	0.84 -1.13 -1.90	3.19 -0.46 -1.35	3.19 -0.46 -1.35	6.98 -0.73 6.60
Consumer Discretionary Consumer Staples Energy Financials	0.84 -1.13 -1.90 -0.12	3.19 -0.46 -1.35 1.14	3.19 -0.46 -1.35 1.14	6.98 -0.73 6.60 22.37
Consumer Discretionary Consumer Staples Energy Financials Health Care	0.84 -1.13 -1.90 -0.12 -0.03	3.19 -0.46 -1.35 1.14 2.92	3.19 -0.46 -1.35 1.14 2.92	6.98 -0.73 6.60 22.37 1.64
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#### U.S. Returns by Style

One W	eek (%)	Year to Date (%)		3-Mont	hs (%)
Large Value -0.4	Large Growth 0.3	Large Value 0.9	Large Growth 2.7	Large Value 9.2	Large Growt 5.7
Mid Value	Mid Growth	Mid Value	Mid Growth	Mid Value	Mid Growth
-0.5	0.8	1.2	2.8	9.3	6.4
Small Value	Small Growth	Small Value	Small Growth	Small Value	Small Growt
-0.3	1.1	0.1	2.3	17.0	9.5

Large Value: Russell 1000 Value MidCap Value: Russell MidCap Value Small Value: Russell 2000 Value Large Growth: Russell 1000 Growth MidCap Growth: Russell MidCap Growth Small Growth: Russell 2000 Growth

Global Market Returns (%)	One Week	MTD	YTD	3-Months
Bloomberg Barclays Global Aggregate Bond Index	0.48	0.46	0.46	-4.82
MSCI EAFE Index	0.82	2.61	2.61	4.81
MSCI United Kingdom Index	0.52	1.22	1.22	5.63
MSCI Europe ex-U.K. Index	0.67	2.32	2.32	5.60
MSCI Japan Index	0.74	3.13	3.13	3.72
MSCI AC Asia ex-Japan Index	1.88	4.46	4.46	-0.26
MSCI Emerging Markets Index	1.69	3.92	3.92	1.07
JPM EMBI+ Emerging Markets Bond Index	0.17	1.42	1.42	-2.24
FTSE EPRA/NAREIT GRE Index	-1.12	0.93	0.93	-0.23

Source: FactSet



- The Job Opening and Labor Turnover Survey (JOLTS) reported 5.52 million U.S. job openings in November, a slight rise from October's 5.45 million.
- In the week ended January 6, 2017, the Mortgage Bankers Association stated that U.S. mortgage applications rose 5.8 percent during the period.
- According to the Sentix, euro zone economic sentiment reached its highest level since 2015, rising to 18.2 in January from December's reading of 10. Unemployment came in at 9.8% in November, compared to 10.5% a year prior.

Bond Rates (%) as of:	01/13/2017	01/06/2017	12/31/16	10/13/2016
U.S. Federal Funds Target Rate	0.75	0.75	0.75	0.50
U.S. Two-Year Treasury Yield	1.20	1.22	1.20	0.84
U.S. Ten-Year Treasury Yield	2.38	2.42	2.43	1.74
High Yield (Merrill U.S. Corporates)	5.59	5.60	5.72	5.58

Commodity Prices as of:	01/13/17	01/06/17	12/31/16	10/13/16
Gold (USD/oz)	1,196.20	1,173.40	1,151.70	1,257.60
Crude Oil (USD/bbl)	52.37	53.99	53.72	50.44
Gasoline (USD/gal)	2.51	2.50	2.43	2.39
Copper (NYM \$/lbs)	2.68	2.54	2.50	2.12

Exchange Rates as of:	01/13/17	01/06/17	12/31/16	10/13/16
\$ per €	1.06	1.06	1.05	1.10
\$ per £	1.22	1.23	1.24	1.22
¥ per \$	115.02	116.48	116.64	103.43

#### **Index Definitions**

**Bloomberg Barclays Global Aggregate Bond Index** measures a wide range of global government, government-related, corporate and securitized fixed-income investments, all with maturities greater than one year.

**Bloomberg Barclays High-Yield Bond Index** tracks the performance of below investment grade U.S. dollar-denominated corporate bonds publicly issued in the U.S. domestic market.

**Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Aggregate Index** is a bond market index composed of U.S. securities in Treasury, Government-Related, Corporate, and Securitized sectors that are of investment-grade quality or better, have at least one year to maturity, and have an outstanding par value of at least \$250 million.

**Dow Jones Industrial Average** is a price-weighted average computed from the stock prices of 30 of the largest and most widely held public companies in the United States, adjusted to reflect stock splits and stock dividends.

FTSE EPRA/NAREIT Global Real Estate Index represents general performance trends of the equity securities of real estate companies involved in the ownership, disposition and development of income-producing properties worldwide.

JPMorgan Emerging Markets Bond Index Plus (EMBI+) tracks total returns for traded foreign currency denominated debt instruments in the emerging markets which meet minimum criteria for face value outstanding and market trading liquidity.

MSCI EAFE Index is a free float-adjusted market capitalization weighted index designed to measure developed markets' equity performance, excluding the U.S. & Canada, for 21 countries.

**MSCI Europe ex-U.K. Index** is a free float-adjusted market capitalization weighted index designed to measure equity performance of the 15 developed European markets except the United Kingdom.

**MSCI U.K. Index** is a free float-adjusted market capitalization weighted index designed to measure equity performance of listed common stocks in the United Kingdom.

**MSCI Asia ex-Japan Index** is a free float-adjusted market capitalization weighted index designed to measure equity performance of the 15 developed Asian markets except Japan.

**MSCI Japan Index** is a free float-adjusted market capitalization weighted index designed to measure equity performance of listed common stocks in Japan.

**MSCI Emerging Markets Index** is a free float-adjusted market capitalization index that measures emerging market equity performance of 23 countries.

**Municipal Bond Index** is a bond index that includes investment-grade, tax-exempt fixed-rate bonds with long-term maturities (greater than two years) selected from issues larger than \$50 million.

NASDAQ Composite Index is a market capitalization weighted index of the performance of domestic and international common stocks listed on The Nasdaq Stock Market including over 2,800 securities.

**Russell 1000 Growth Index** measures the large-cap growth segment of the U.S. equity market including Russell 1000 companies with higher price-to-book ratios and forecasted growth.

**Russell 1000 Value Index** measures the large-cap value segment of the U.S. equity market including Russell 1000 companies with lower price-to-book ratios and lower expected growth.

**Russell MidCap Growth Index** measures the performance of the mid-cap growth segment of the U.S. equity market including Russell Midcap Index companies with higher price-to-book ratios and forecasted growth.

**Russell MidCap Value Index** measures the performance of the mid-cap growth segment of the U.S. equity market including Russell Midcap Index companies with lower price-to-book ratios and forecasted growth.

**Russell 2000 Growth Index** measures the performance of small-cap growth stocks in the U.S. equity market including Russell 2000 companies with higher price-to-value ratios and forecasted growth.

**Russell 2000 Value Index** measures the performance of small-cap growth stocks in the U.S. equity market including Russell 2000 companies with lower price-to-value ratios and forecasted growth.

**S&P 500 Index** is a widely regarded as the best single gauge of the U.S. equities market, including 500 leading companies in major industries of the U.S. economy.

**S&P 500 Sectors** are defined as the GICS (Global Industry Classification Standard) sectors which provide standardized industry definitions consisting of 10 sectors, 24 industry groups, and 67 industries.

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#### **Economic Release Calendar**

Monday, January 16	Tuesday, January 17	Wednesday, January 18	Thursday, January 19	Friday, January 20
Trade Balance SA (Nov) Euro Zone	CPI YoY (Dec) U.K.	CPI YoY Germany	Initial Jobless Claims (Jan 14) U.S.	PPI YoY (Dec) Germany
Industrial Production YTD YoY (Dec) China	House Price Index YoY (Nov) U.K.	CPI YoY (Dec F) Euro Zone	Building Permits (Dec) U.S.	Retail Sales Ex Auto Fuel YoY (Dec) U.K.
Retail Sales YTD YoY (Dec) China		CPI YoY (Dec) U.S.	Bloomberg Consumer Comfort (Jan 15) U.S.	
GDP YoY (4Q) China		RICS House Price Balance (Dec) U.K.		

Source: Bloomberg

## **Earnings Announcements**

Monday, January 16	Tuesday, January 17	Wednesday, January 18	Thursday, January 19	Friday, January 20
Progress Software Corporation	Morgan Stanley UnitedHealth Group	Goldman Sachs Netflix TD Ameritrade	American Express IBM Union Pacific	General Electric Schlumberger SunTrust Banks

Source: Bloomberg

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**85%** of our assets outperformed their benchmark or peer median on a 5-year basis.<sup>2</sup>

83% of our assets outperformed their benchmark on a 5-year basis.<sup>3</sup>

**85%** of the time our portfolios outperformed their benchmark on a rolling 3-year basis.<sup>4</sup>

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