

Voya Global Perspectives

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Investment Weekly

Commentary and Statistics

- A difficult week coming out of the Memorial Day holiday wasn't enough to take the shine off a successful May for domestic equity markets, as major stock indexes —led by the Nasdaq — posted solid gains for the month. Yield on the benchmark ten-year Treasury moved lower during the week but finished the month slightly higher.
- As anticipated, first quarter GDP growth was revised lower in the Commerce Department's second estimate, coming in at -0.7% compared to the initial statement of 0.2%. Trade was the biggest drag on growth during the first three months of the year, as the widening deficit deducted 1.9% from economic growth, while business investment and government spending also hurt.
- April durable goods orders excluding the volatile transportation categories rose 0.5%, the second increase after five straight monthly declines. Meanwhile, nondefense capital goods excluding aircraft — considered a proxy for business investment —climbed 1% during the month.
- Consumer spending rose a cautious 0.4% in March from the prior month, just short of expectations. The personal savings rate declined during the month, suggesting that Americans dipped into their savings in the face of stagnant income growth. Separately, the final May consumer sentiment index from the University of Michigan beat expectations but remained well shy of January's 11-year high.
- The latest housing market data were for the most part encouraging. March's Case-Shiller Index showed a 4.1% increase in single-family home prices from the previous month. Turning to April numbers, new-home sales spiked 6.8% from the month prior; while existing-home sales fell 3.3%, analysts attributed the decline to

Index Prices (\$)		
Index	5/29/2015	12/31/2014
Dow Jones Industrial Average	18,010.68	17,823.07
S&P 500 Index	2,107.39	2,058.90

Returns (%)				
U.S. Market Indexes Returns	One Week	MTD	YTD	One Year
Dow Jones Industrial Average	-1.18	1.14	2.06	10.40
S&P 500 Index	-0.84	1.29	3.23	12.01
Russell 2000 Index	-0.43	2.28	3.98	10.78
Russell MidCap Index	-0.78	1.46	4.52	12.50
Barclays U.S. Aggregate Index	0.62	-0.24	1.00	3.00
Barclays High Yield Bond Index	0.17	0.30	4.07	2.04
United States 20-Year Treasury Bond	2.84	-1.78	-1.16	10.92
S&P/LSTA Senior Loan Index	-0.01	0.03	2.62	1.75

S&P 500 Sector Returns	One Week	MTD	YTD	One Year
Consumer Discretionary	-0.80	1.32	6.14	18.13
Consumer Staples	-0.88	0.84	1.06	12.02
Energy	-2.05	-4.76	-1.33	-15.49
Financials	-1.00	1.84	-0.07	12.56
Health Care	-0.01	4.53	9.86	27.58
Industrials	-1.85	0.33	-0.55	5.40
Materials	-0.95	0.47	4.59	4.64
Technology	-0.47	2.31	5.30	18.90
Telecom	-0.36	-1.77	5.60	3.45
Utilities	-0.12	0.67	-4.97	8.75

U.S. Returns by Style					
One Week (%)		Year to Date (%)		One Year (%)	
Large Value	Large Growth	Large Value	Large Growth	Large Value	Large Growth
-0.7	-1.0	1.4	5.8	9.1	14.9
Mid Value	Mid Growth	Mid Value	Mid Growth	Mid Value	Mid Growth
-0.5	-1.0	3.1	5.9	10.2	14.7
Small Value	Small Growth	Small Value	Small Growth	Small Value	Small Growth
-0.6	-0.3	0.6	7.3	4.9	16.9

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	One Year
Barclays Global Aggregate Bond Index	-0.21	-1.79	-2.65	-6.01
MSCI EAFE Index	-1.82	-0.40	8.93	0.00
MSCI United Kingdom Index	-2.22	-0.11	5.80	-4.23
MSCI Europe ex-U.K. Index	-2.53	-0.82	8.37	-4.22
MSCI Japan Index	-0.48	1.31	15.76	16.18
MSCI AC Asia ex-Japan Index	-2.26	-2.60	9.57	10.25
MSCI Emerging Markets Index	-3.18	-3.99	5.78	-0.72
JPM EMBI+ Emerging Markets Bond Index	-0.44	-0.54	3.51	0.67
NAREIT Global Real Estate Index	-1.87	-1.86	2.14	6.67

Source: FactSet

supply constraints. A forward-looking index of pending home sales climbed for a fourth straight month in April to reach the highest level in nine years.

- The personal consumption expenditures price index, the Fed's preferred inflation metric, rose 1.3% year-over-year in March. This reflects the 35th consecutive month inflation fell short of the central bank's 2% target.
- The U.K. economy grew 0.3% in the first quarter, matching the previous estimate but confounding expectations for a slight increase. As in the U.S., U.K. economic growth was constrained by a widening trade deficit.

Bond Rates (%) as of:	5/29/2015	5/22/2015	12/31/2014	5/29/2014
U.S. Federal Funds Target Rate	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25
U.S. Two-Year Treasury Yield	0.58	0.63	0.69	0.37
U.S. Ten-Year Treasury Yield	2.09	2.23	2.17	2.45
High Yield (Merrill U.S. Corporates)	5.72	5.75	6.19	5.28

Commodity Prices as of:	5/29/2015	5/22/2015	12/31/2014	5/29/2014
Gold (USD/oz)	1189.80	1204.00	1184.10	1256.30
Crude Oil (USD/bbl)	60.30	59.72	53.27	103.58
Gasoline (USD/gal)	3.05	3.04	2.45	3.82
Copper (NYM \$/lbs)	2.76	2.83	2.84	3.15

Exchange Rates as of:	5/29/2015	5/22/2015	12/31/2014	5/29/2014
\$ per €	1.10	1.10	1.21	1.36
\$ per £	1.53	1.55	1.56	1.67
¥ per \$	124.10	121.45	119.90	101.55

Index Definitions

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.

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.

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, June 1	Tuesday, June 2	Wednesday, June 3	Thursday, June 4	Friday, June 5
Manufacturing PMI (May) Euro Zone	Vehicle Sales (May) U.S.	Services and Composite PMI (May) Euro Zone	BOE Policy Announcement U.K.	GDP (1Q15) Euro Zone
Personal Income and Spending (Apr) U.S.	CPI (May) Euro Zone	Unemployment Rate (Apr) Euro Zone		Unemployment Rate (May) U.S.
Manufacturing PMI (May) U.S.	ISM New York (May) U.S.	OECD Economic Outlook Euro Zone		
Construction Spending (Apr) U.S.	Factory Orders (Apr) U.S.	ECB Policy Announcement Euro Zone		
ISM Mnfg and Prices Paid (May) U.S.	Composite PMI (May) China	ADP Employment Change (May) U.S.		
		Trade Balance (Apr) U.S.		
		Composite PMI (May) U.S.		
		ISM Non-Mnfg (May) U.S.		
		Fed Beige Book U.S.		

Source: Bloomberg

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- Long-term perspective
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- Disciplined processes
- Intensive research
- Expert portfolio construction

Our Core Capabilities

- Equities
- Fixed Income
- Multi-Asset Strategies and Solutions

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\$218 Billion AUM* | Over 900 Employees | Over 200 Investment Professionals

* Data as of March 31, 2015. Voya IM assets of \$218 billion include proprietary insurance general account assets of \$89 billion calculated on a market value basis. Voya IM assets, as reported in Voya Financial, Inc. SEC filings, include general account assets valued on a statutory book value basis and total approximately \$209 billion.

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