

### **WM Research**

The Week Ahead

Monday, November 11, 2024

#### Weekly Market Update

- The Federal Reserve Bank (Fed) remains on a path to lower its overnight interest rate target, but market-traded interest rates have moved higher. The Fed's Open Market Committee (FOMC) met last week, concluding its 7th of 8 scheduled 2024 monetary policy meetings. As expected, the Fed reduced its overnight bank lending fed funds interest rate target by -0.25% to a new range of 4.50% to 4.75%. At his post-meeting press conference, Fed Chair Jerome Powell repeated recent comments that Fed policy reflects a "recalibration" of its stance. Essentially, this means that the Fed is on a path to lowering interest rates to a more 'neutral' position. Theoretically, the neutral rate is at a level that is neither restrictive nor stimulative to the U.S. economy. The precise level of what constitutes neutral is unknown, and likely changes over time due to macroeconomic factors. However, we agree with the Fed that when the lower limit of the target range was 5.25%, the rate was significantly above neutral (restrictive), and remains restrictive here at 4.50%. While the Fed has reduced the fed funds target by a total of -0.75% since 9/18/24, the U.S. 2-year Treasury yield has increased to 4.25% (11/8/24) from 3.63%, and the 10-year Treasury yield has moved to 4.30% from 3.71%. We attribute the increase in Treasury yields to bond investors reacting to better-than-expected economic data, the U.S. economy growing +2.8% annualized in the third quarter, and an emerging view that those solid trends are likely to continue into 2025. The economic outlook also improved with pre-election polls and election results that favored Donald Trump. The Fed's congressional mandate is to use monetary policy to promote maximum employment (jobs) and stable prices (inflation). If the economy and employment market remain resilient, the Fed is less likely to rapidly decrease rate targets from current levels because lower rates could be stimulative, creating more growth and the return of inflation. For now, investors appear more enthusiastic about U.S. economic growth and less fearful of inflation, but we believe that the path to lower interest rates in 2024 and 2025 might not be as linear as previously believed.
- 3Q24 earnings growth is in-line with estimates as equities move higher. Through 11/8/24, about 91% of S&P 500 constituents had reported financial results for the 3Q24 equivalent quarter. Year-overyear (Y/Y) earnings growth was reported at +4.1%, roughly in-line with the estimate on 9/30/24. If this holds, it would be the lowest quarterly Y/Y earnings growth in the past five quarters. While earnings growth is positive, a stronger earnings environment often includes actual results that exceed estimates, leading to higher revisions for future quarters. This has not been the case, at least recently, as the earnings estimate for 4Q24 has moved -2.4% lower since 9/30/24 and the 2025 full-year estimate has declined a modest -1%. Meanwhile, the S&P 500 index increased +4.1% since the end of September. Most of that increase came last week as equity markets cheered the Trump victory and perceived pro-growth policies. Perhaps it is too soon to see postelection earnings estimates move higher, but we argue that is needed for sustained equity gains.
- Financial markets continue to interpret election results, we await October inflation data, and the U.S. bond market is closed Monday to observe Veterans Day. U.S. equity markets opened Monday with solid gains but had given much back by mid-day. We expect some volatility ahead as many indices sit at record highs, and we suggest rebalancing portfolios as needed to maintain desired diversification. October inflation data (consumer price index, CPI) is due this week with the Y/Y figure expected to rise to +2.6% from +2.4% in September. For all veterans out there thank you for your service.

Major Indices (Price Returns)	Close	Last Week	YTD
S&P 500	5,995.54	+4.66%	+25.70%
Dow Jones Industrial Average	43,988.99	+4.61%	+16.71%
NASDAQ Composite	19,286.78	+5.74%	+28.48%
Russell 2000	2,399.64	+8.57%	+18.38%
MSCI EAFE	2,336.75	+0.02%	+4.50%
MSCI Emerging Markets	1,135.65	+1.19%	+10.93%
Bloomberg Commodity Index	98.13	+0.07%	-0.52%
Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond	91.64	+0.72%	-0.07%

S&P 500 Sectors	Price R	Returns	Forwa	S&P 500	
SAF 300 Sectors	Last Week	YTD	Current	10yr Avg	Weight
Consumer Discretionary	+7.62%	+22.81%	28.1x	26.5x	10.5%
Energy	+6.16%	+12.16%	14.5x	15.4x	3.4%
Industrials	+5.93%	+24.41%	23.8x	19.1x	8.6%
Financials	+5.53%	+30.46%	17.0x	14.3x	13.4%
Information Technology	+5.44%	+36.14%	30.2x	20.1x	32.0%
S&P 500	+4.66%	+25.70%	22.4x	18.4x	
Communication Services	+3.72%	+34.93%	19.4x	19.0x	9.0%
Real Estate	+2.67%	+9.35%	19.1x	18.9x	2.2%
Health Care	+1.57%	+9.95%	18.9x	16.5x	10.9%
Materials	+1.46%	+9.99%	20.5x	16.9x	2.1%
Consumer Staples	+1.20%	+14.31%	21.8x	19.7x	5.6%
Utilities	+1.20%	+24.71%	18.3x	17.5x	2.4%

Source: FactSet; \*Factset Consensus EPS (FFO for Real Estate)

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# **Event Calendar**

Conferences, Economics, Stock Splits, IPOs, Etc.

GENERAL CALENDAR	ECONOMIC CALEN	DAR	
		Consensus	Last
Tuesday, November 12	Tuesday, November 12		
13-Week Treasury Bills <u>auction (\$81 billion)</u>	NFIB Small Business Index (October)	_	91.5
26-Week Treasury Bills <u>auction (\$72 billion)</u> 42-Day Treasury Bills auction (\$80 billion)	Johnson Redbook Retail Sales (11/9, Y/Y%)	_	6.0%
Linde Plc Morgan Stanley Chemicals, Agriculture & Packaging Conf.	Wednesday, November 13		
Novartis AG Guggenheim Securities Healthcare Innovation Conf.	MBA 30-Year Mortgage Rate (11/8)	_	6.8%
Novartis AG UBS Global Healthcare Conference	MBA Mortgage Applications (11/8, W/W%) CPI ex-Food & Energy (October, M/M%)	0.3%	<b>-10.8%</b> 0.3%
Johnson & Johnson Guggenheim Securities Healthcare Conference	CPI ex-Food & Energy (October, W/W/%)	3.3%	3.3%
Wednesday, November 13	CPI (October, M/M%)	0.2%	0.2%
17-Week Treasury Bills auction	CPI (October, Y/Y%) Hourly Earnings (October, M/M%)	2.6% 0.4%	2.4% 0.4%
Novartis AG UBS European Conference	Hourly Earnings (October, Y/Y%)	4.0%	4.0%
CSX Corp. Baird Global Industrial Conference EOG Resources, Inc. Bank of America Energy Conference	Average Workweek (October)	34.3	34.3
Ecolab, Inc. Baird Global Industrial Conference	Thursday, November 14		
Pfizer Inc. <u>UBS Global Healthcare Conference</u>	Continuing Jobless Claims (11/2)	1,870K	1,892K
Thursday, November 14	Initial Jobless Claims (11/9) PPI ex-Food & Energy (October, M/M%)	221.0K 0.2%	221.0K 0.2%
4-Week Treasury Bills auction	PPI ex-Food & Energy (October, Y/Y%)	3.0%	2.8%
8-Week Treasury Bills <u>auction</u>	PPI ex-Food, Energy & Trade (October, M/M%)	_	0.1% 3.2%
Accenture Plc J.P Morgan Ultimate Services Investor Conference Johnson & Johnson American College of Rheumatology Meeting	PPI ex-Food, Energy & Trade (October, Y/Y%) PPI (October, M/M%)	0.2%	3.2% 0.0%
S&P Global, Inc. J.P Morgan Ultimate Services Investor Conference	PPI (October, Y/Y%)	2.3%	1.8%
Friday, November 15	EIA Natural Gas Stocks (11/8, W/W Chg) EIA Crude Oil Stocks (11/8, W/W Chg)	_	69.0B 2.1M
Sysco Corp. Annual General Meeting	EIA Distillate Stocks (11/8, W/W Chg)	_	2.9M
29300 Corp. Militadi Ceneral Medang	Cushing OK Crude Inventory (11/8)	_	0.52M 22.0M
	Total Fuel Ethanol Inventory (11/8) Fuel Ethanol Total Production (11/8)	_	22.0M 1.1M
	U.S. Refinery Utilization (11/8)	_	1.4%
	EIA Gasoline Stocks (11/8, W/W Chg)	_	0.41M
	Friday, November 15		
	Export Price Index (October, M/M%)	0.1%	-0.7%
	Export Price Index (October, Y/Y%) Import Price Index (October, M/M%)	-0.1%	-2.1% -0.4%
	Import Price Index (October, Y/Y%)	_	-0.1%
	Import Price Index ex-Fuel (October, M/M%) Empire State Index SA (November)	<u> </u>	0.2% -11.9
	Retail sales ControlGroup (October, M/M%)	0.3%	0.7%
	Retail sales Ex AutoFuel (October, M/M%)	0.4%	0.7%
	Retail Sales ex-Auto (October, M/M%) Retail Sales (October, M/M%)	0.3% 0.4%	0.5% 0.4%
	Retail Sales (October, Y/Y%)	_	1.7%
	Capacity Utilization (October) Industrial Production (October, M/M%)	77.1% -0.3%	77.5% -0.3%
	Manufacturing Production (October, M/M%)	-0.3% -0.6%	-0.3% -0.4%
	Business Inventories (September, M/M%)	0.2%	0.3%
	Baker Hughes U.S. Rotary Gas Rigs (11/15) Baker Hughes U.S. Rotary Oil Rigs (11/15)	_	102 479
	Baker Hughes U.S. Rig Count (11/15)	_	585



# **Earnings Release Calendar**

### S&P 500, D.A. Davidson WM Research, D.A. Davidson Institutional Research

Source: F  A) D.A.  Ticker	. Davidson & Co. makes a market in this security  Company Name	Sector	Time (Expected)		Dividend Yield	YTD Total Return	Market Cap (\$mil)	Current Qtr EPS	Year Ago LT Act.	stimates T Growth Rate	Forwar P/
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A) MND	DY monday.com Ltd.	Information Technology	Pre-Market	Davidson Institutional Research	0.0%	72.7%	16,170	\$0.63	\$0.15	34%	98.4
ZETA	FA Zeta Global Holdings Corp. Class	s A Information Technology	After-Market	Davidson Institutional Research	0.0%	303.4%	7,226	(\$0.06)	(\$0.27)	34%	2,950.9
TUES	ESDAY, NOVEMBER 12				_						
ALIT	T Alight, Inc. Class A	Information Technology	Pre-Market	Davidson Institutional Research	0.0%	-14.0%	3,929	\$0.09	(\$0.10)	_	13.1
A) FOUI	JR Shift4 Payments, Inc. Class A	Financials	Pre-Market	Davidson Institutional Research	0.0%	35.6%	6,570	\$1.06	\$0.55	29%	21.8
A) HD	Home Depot, Inc.	Consumer Discretionary	Pre-Market	Davidson Institutional Research	2.2%	19.4%	403,178	\$3.64	\$3.81	4%	26.3
A) JRSH	SH Jerash Holdings (US), Inc.	Consumer Discretionary	Pre-Market	Davidson Institutional Research	6.6%	1.9%	37	\$0.00	\$0.03	_	126.0
A) PLL		Materials	Pre-Market	Davidson Institutional Research	0.0%	-59.4%	223	(\$0.50)	\$1.19	_	_
A) RMB	BL RumbleOn, Inc. Class B	Consumer Discretionary	Pre-Market	Davidson Institutional Research	0.0%	-29.6%	202	(\$0.16)	(\$0.99)	_	_
A) SHO		Financials	Pre-Market	Davidson Institutional Research	0.0%	11.8%	105,782	\$0.27	\$0.55	38%	64.8
SPO	• •	Communication Services	Pre-Market	Davidson WM Research	0.0%	113.2%	79,757	\$1.81	\$0.36	41%	46.2
A) TLS	. , 0,	Information Technology	Pre-Market	Davidson Institutional Research	0.0%	27.7%	337	(\$0.14)	(\$0.12)	_	.0.2
TSN		Consumer Staples	Pre-Market	S&P 500	3.3%	13.7%	17,032	\$0.72	(\$1.29)	48%	16.6
ALC		Healthcare	After-Market	Davidson WM Research	0.3%	18.9%	46,346	\$0.74	\$0.41	11%	27.0
ALTO		Industrials	After-Market	Davidson Institutional Research	2.9%	-34.7%	262	(\$0.14)	\$0.20	-	27.0
BW	4.1		After-Market	Davidson Institutional Research	0.0%	75.3%	236	\$0.00	(\$1.35)	_	16.0
LYV		Communication Services	After-Market	S&P 500	0.0%	31.4%	28.329	\$1.61	\$1.78	31%	54.8
MOS		Materials	After-Market	S&P 500	3.0%	-20.7%	8,836	\$0.52	(\$0.01)	-5%	10.9
NATI		Financials	After-Market	Davidson Institutional Research		17.2%	2,058	\$0.79	(\$0.82)	-5/0	7.2
OXY			After-Market	S&P 500	0.0% 1.7%	-14.4%	45,761	\$0.79	\$1.20	14%	15.2
A) RPA	•	0,									
	11.7	Financials	After-Market	Davidson Institutional Research	0.0%	2.6%	768	\$0.23	(\$0.07)	- 048/	8.7
02.11	<b>3</b> ·	Industrials	After-Market	Davidson Institutional Research	0.0%	-40.1%	149	(\$0.09)	\$0.08	21%	149.8
000		Information Technology	After-Market	Davidson Institutional Research	0.0%	239.6%	2,347	(\$0.07)	(\$0.09)	_	
SWK		Information Technology	After-Market	S&P 500	3.1%	-19.1%	14,240	\$1.52	\$1.53	8%	13.7
	ZoomInfo Technologies Inc	Communication Services	After-Market	Davidson Institutional Research	0.0%	-35.2%	4,380	\$0.22	\$0.08	9%	12.6
WED	DNESDAY, NOVEMBER 13										
A) CYBI	BR CyberArk Software Ltd.	Information Technology	Pre-Market	Davidson Institutional Research	0.0%	34.5%	12,837	\$0.46	(\$0.35)	22%	91.7
A) RSKI	KD Riskified Ltd. Class A	Information Technology	Pre-Market	Davidson Institutional Research	0.0%	-1.7%	560	(\$0.07)	(\$0.12)	_	-
A) CSC	CO Cisco Systems, Inc.	Information Technology	After-Market	S&P 500	2.8%	18.7%	231,428	\$0.87	\$0.89	3%	15.9
A) HI	Hillenbrand, Inc.	Industrials	After-Market	Davidson Institutional Research	2.9%	-34.0%	2,179	\$0.92	\$0.23	12%	10.0
A) IDN	Intellicheck Inc	Information Technology	After-Market	Davidson Institutional Research	0.0%	41.1%	52	(\$0.01)	(\$0.03)	_	77.0
A) KLIC	C Kulicke & Soffa Industries, Inc.	Information Technology	After-Market	Davidson Institutional Research	1.7%	-10.8%	2,626	\$0.35	\$0.41	20%	25.2
MLR	R Miller Industries, Inc.	Industrials	After-Market	Davidson Institutional Research	1.0%	79.6%	861	\$1.33	\$1.52	_	12.3
A) XOS	S Xos, Inc.	Industrials	After-Market	Davidson Institutional Research	0.0%	-40.6%	38	(\$1.35)	(\$2.40)	_	-
THUI	JRSDAY, NOVEMBER 14										
AAP	Advance Auto Parts, Inc.	Consumer Discretionary	Pre-Market	Davidson Institutional Research	2.6%	-36.8%	2,262	\$0.52	(\$0.82)	-46%	14.0
DIS		Communication Services	Pre-Market	Davidson WM Research	0.8%	10.2%	179,581	\$1.10	\$0.14	17%	18.9
6647		Information Technology	Pre-Market	Davidson Institutional Research	0.0%	-9.9%	11,105	\$9.94	\$5.20	14%	14.8
A) ONE		Consumer Discretionary	Pre-Market	Davidson Institutional Research	0.0%	-25.8%	367	\$0.13	(\$6.88)	_	8.7
A) SBH		Consumer Discretionary	Pre-Market	Davidson Institutional Research	0.0%	-3.5%	1,315	\$0.48	\$0.39	_	7.2
A) WKH	, , , , , ,	Industrials	Pre-Market	Davidson Institutional Research	0.0%	-89.1%	19	(\$0.83)	(\$2.84)	_	-
AMA	•	Information Technology	After-Market	S&P 500	0.8%	19.1%	158,310	\$2.19	\$2.38	11%	19.8
	DAY, NOVEMBER 15										
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## **Global Index Performance**

## Global Equity and Commodity Index Performance Update

U.S. Equities	Closing	Last Week	November	Q4 2024	YTD 2024	1 Year	% Off 52 Week	
D. H.OOCC	Price	% Change	% Change	% Change	% Change	% Change	High	Low
Russell 2000	2,399.64	8.57	9.24	7.61	18.38	40.00	0.11	42.48
NASDAQ Composite Index	19,286.78	5.74	6.59	6.03	28.48	41.29	0.16	42.80
S&P 500	5,995.54	4.66	5.08	4.04	25.70	36.80	0.28	38.02
Dow Jones Industrial Average	43,988.99	4.61	5.33	3.92	16.71	28.95	0.38	29.92
CBOE Market Volatility Index	14.94	-31.72	-35.49	-10.70	20.00	3.39	77.27	40.68
S&P 500 Sectors	Sector Weight %							
Consumer Discretionary	10.52	7.62	10.21	8.48	22.81	35.73	0.00	38.25
Energy	3.38	6.16	5.37	6.12	12.16	13.43	4.21	17.67
Industrials	8.60	5.93	6.11	4.63	24.41	40.07	0.00	40.41
Financials	13.44	5.53	5.65	8.35	30.46	46.21	0.86	46.81
Information Technology	31.99	5.44	6.09	5.02	36.14	47.97	0.34	48.57
Communication Services	8.98	3.72	3.65	5.51	34.93	45.10	0.66	45.54
Real Estate	2.21	2.67	1.56	-1.91	9.35	27.16	2.95	28.76
Health Care	10.85	1.57	2.17	-2.66	9.95	17.15	4.43	19.67
Materials	2.09	1.46	1.26	-2.33	9.99	22.30	3.80	23.34
Consumer Staples	5.56	1.20	1.13	-1.84	14.31	19.97	3.17	20.46
Utilities	2.38	1.20	-1.09	-2.15	24.71	30.19	3.89	32.99
Growth & Value	Closing Price							
Russell 2000 Growth	1,575.13	9.03	10.31	8.82	22.67	45.35	0.03	47.84
Russell 2000 Value	2,665.78	8.10	8.15	6.37	14.27	34.89	0.66	37.36
S&P Mid Cap 400 Growth	1,568.66	6.38	6.64	5.17	21.99	37.12	0.17	38.44
S&P Mid Cap 400 Value	1,052.21	6.15	6.22	6.10	14.87	33.48	0.22	35.56
Russell 1000 Growth	4,011.79	5.72	6.48	6.10	31.46	42.90	0.25	46.54
Russell 1000 Value	1,920.97	3.95	3.97	2.70	17.89	30.13	0.27	31.64
International Equities	Closing	Last Week	November	Q4 2024	YTD 2024	1 Year	% Off 52 Week	
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Regions								
MSCI Pacific	3,165.18	3.69	2.09	-2.73	7.66	18.72	5.03	18.72
MSCI The World Index	3,791.23	3.58	3.95	1.83	19.63	31.26	0.00	31.69
MSCI Emerging Markets	1,135.65	1.19	1.44	-3.01	10.93	18.55	4.40	19.75
MSCI Frontier Markets	539.34	0.32	0.29	-0.37	6.38	12.63	0.52	12.63
MSCI EAFE	2,336.75	0.02	0.16	-5.34	4.50	15.78	6.78	16.15
MSCI Europe	2,074.59	-1.87	-0.86	-6.79	2.68	14.01	7.82	14.65
Countries	2,07 1.00	1.01	0.00	0.10	2.00	1 1.01	7.02	11.00
MSCI Japan	3,993.46	4.26	1.77	-2.20	7.98	18.34	6.08	18.34
MSCI Canada	2,469.20	2.66	3.26	0.69	12.74	26.87	0.63	26.87
MSCI Australia	978.38	2.57	2.57	-4.59	5.53	21.99	4.59	23.53
MSCI China	67.69	1.83	2.90	-3.25	22.04	18.10	11.01	39.22
MSCI Brazil	1,395.60	1.47	-0.76	-6.27	-22.46	-13.82	22.95	2.24
MSCI India	1,054.37	-1.04	-0.49	-8.18	14.40	28.50	9.44	28.82
MSCI Germany	2,365.91	-1.21	-0.38	-4.88	8.65	23.09	5.68	23.34
MSCI United Kingdom	1,241.49	-1.53	0.06	-5.52	5.50	14.30	6.37	15.65
MSCI France	2,360.62	-1.86	-1.16	-7.48	-4.44	5.68	10.84	5.89
MSCI Italy	377.00	-3.69	-2.60	-4.65	9.90	20.11	6.54	20.49
Commodities	Closing Price	Last Week % Change	November % Change	Q4 2024 % Change	YTD 2024 % Change	1 Year % Change	% Off 52 Week High	Low
Gold (\$/ozt)	2,691.15	2.12	2.12	2.12	29.48	37.35	3.12	39.35
Crude Oil (NYM \$/bbl)	70.38	1.28	1.62	3.24	-1.77	-6.57	19.02	7.04
Natural Gas (NYM \$/btu)	2.67	0.23	-1.40	-8.69	6.17	-14.07	19.44	69.46
Bloomberg Commodity Index	98.14	0.07	0.04	-2.20	-0.52	-4.12	8.49	5.15
Sources: FactSet, MSCI Barra, I				2.20	3.32	2	3.10	0.10



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Rating Distribution (as of 9/30/2024)	Coverag	nt Banking Distribution				
	IR	WMR	Combined	IR	WMR	Combined
BUY/ADD (Buy)	60%	82%	60%	11%	0%	9%
NEUTRAL (Hold)	39%	14%	39%	5%	0%	4%
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