## **Weekly Market & Economic Highlights**



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## The Week's Highlights

Headline July retail sales rose 0.5% (also consensus) with June revised up to 0.9% (was 0.6%). Retail sales ex-autos also in-line with consensus, rising 0.3%, while June was revised to 0.8% (was 0.5%). Control group sales (feeds into GDP) rose 0.5%, just above consensus for 0.4%.

Preliminary August University of Michigan consumer sentiment came in at 58.6, below consensus 62.2 and July's final 61.7. Decline was mostly driven by consumer concerns that inflation and labor market will worsen.

July headline PPI (Producer Price Index) up 0.9%, above consensus for 0.2%, and up most since March 2022. Annualized headline of 3.3% above 2.4% consensus (also June). Core PPI (ex-Food & Energy) also rose 0.9%, above consensus for 0.2%. Annualized core of 3.7%, well-ahead of 2.9% consensus and June's 2.6%. Noted over 75% of the advance traced to index for final demand services, tied to margins for machinery and equipment wholesaling.

July headline CPI (Consumer Price Index) up 0.2% as expected but below June's 0.3%. Core CPI rose 0.3% (also consensus), just above June's 0.2%, with annualized core at 3.1%. Mixed report as services saw some re-acceleration while goods inflation was cooler.

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Equities	Last	1 Week	MTD	YTD	1 YR	% of 52 Wk High	P/B	P/E	NTM P/E	Div. Yld.
Dow Jones Industrial Average	44,946	1.79	1.91	6.72	12.76	99.43%	5.54	24.88	20.60	1.62
S&P 500	6,450	0.99	1.81	10.54	17.87	99.51%	5.45	27.34	22.44	1.20
NASDAQ COMPOSITE	21,623	0.83	2.40	12.45	23.77	99.17%	7.62	62.80	28.40	0.64
Russell 2000 Index	2,287	3.12	3.47	3.38	8.54	92.70%	2.05	55.76	25.38	1.45
Russell Growth Index	4,519	0.68	1.93	12.21	24.38	99.15%	14.04	38.07	30.02	0.50
Russell Value Index	1,949	1.38	1.49	8.20	11.36	99.00%	2.91	20.21	17.41	1.95
MSCI EAFE Index	2,741	2.37	4.91	24.10	20.63	99.93%	2.11	16.60	15.66	2.95
MSCI Emerging Markets Index	1,272	1.56	2.50	20.81	21.56	99.44%	2.04	16.45	13.14	2.52

Total Returns (%)

	Fixed Income	Last	1 Week	MTD	YTD	1 YR
	U.S. Aggregate Bond Index	2,285	-0.02	0.61	4.38	2.90
r	U.S. Treasury Index	2,378	-0.16	0.45	3.85	2.04
	U.S. Corporate Index	3,454	0.19	0.73	5.01	4.00
	U.S. MBS Index	2,254	-0.03	0.74	4.58	3.01
	U.S Municipal Bond Index	1,337	-0.03	0.60	0.05	-0.07
,	U.S. High Yield Index	2,833	0.27	0.53	5.59	8.65
	Emerging Markets USD Index	1,337	0.51	1.14	7.12	8.46

Currencies	Exchange Rate					
\$ per €	1.17	1.04	1.10	1.07		
\$ per £	1.36	1.25	1.27	1.21		
¥ per \$	147.19	157.20	141.04	131.12		
Commodities		Price	: (\$)			

Index Characteristics

Commodities	Price (\$)					
Oil WTI	62.80	71.72	71.65	80.26		
Natural Gas	2.92	3.63	2.51	4.48		
Gold	3,336.19	2,624.50	2,062.98	1,824.02		

## Chart of the Week - PPI and CPI NSA Year/Year - US



	Alternative Assets	Last	1 Week	MTD	YTD	1 YR
	LBMA Gold Price PM USD	3,335.5	-1.73	1.11	27.84	36.33
	LBMA Silver Price/USD Index	37.7	-1.46	4.17	28.07	34.51
	Bloomberg Commodity Index	100.4	-0.41	-0.80	1.64	4.45
	Alerian MLP Index	301.2	-0.05	-2.27	7.94	16.52
	Dow Jones Equity REIT Total Return Index	2,623.5	0.64	0.39	1.13	-0.30
-	S&P 500 Real Estate Index	259.3	0.20	-0.18	3.23	2.12

Interest Rates	Rate (%)				
Fed Funds Target	4.50	4.50	5.50	4.50	
2 year Treasury	3.75	4.24	4.25	4.43	
10 year Treasury	4.32	4.57	3.88	3.88	
15 year Mortgage	5.71	6.00	5.93	5.68	
30 year Mortgage	6.58	6.85	6.61	6.42	
Prime Rate	7.50	7.50	8.50	7.50	
SOFR	4.36	4.49	5.38	4.30	

Source: Bloomberg Finance L.P. & FactSet as of August 15, 2025

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