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Booming tech earnings outweigh oil prices and inflation.

Equity markets received an overdue breather last week with the S&P 500 snapping a streak of nine consecutive positive weeks and the NASDAQ turning it its worst week since the beginning of the U.S. tariff regime. U.S. stocks fell approximately 2.6% with value outperforming growth by a wide margin. Developed international markets performed similarly to the U.S. but emerging markets were sharply lower. Key headlines included the sharp selloff in the AI/semi space and another strong monthly jobs report bolstering the solid macro narrative and the higher for longer case in terms of short-term interest rates and Fed policy. Bond yields backed up firmly on the short end with 2yr yields closing up 19bps on the week and the USD benefited (+1.17%) from wider expected rate differentials.

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Financial Market Highlights
• Booming AI/technology, robust corporate earnings, a resilient U.S. economy, and fading concerns about the labor market have thus far outweighed oil prices and inflation caused by the Iranian war.
• Strategists have noted the potential challenges posed by the record supply of new equity issuance projected to come online in the coming months including IPOs from SpaceX, Anthropic, and OpenAI.
• 10yr treasury rates jumped back above 4.5% last week as investors continue to price outlooks for inflation and Fed policy into bond yields.

Economic Highlights
• Key highlights on the economic calendar last week included another blowout jobs report, a large jump in open job listings (JOLTS), and strong PMI readings from both services and manufacturing sectors.

Policy Highlights
• Fed policy was front and center last week as the combination of strong growth indications (labor, PMIs) and sticky high inflation pulled Fed Fund
• policy rate expectations firmly higher.
• It does not appear the U.S. and Iran have made much progress on talks, opting to trade skirmishes and continue to jawbone one another but neither side looks interested in a prolonged entanglement.

Bullish Asset Allocation Narratives
• Robust U.S. corporate fundamentals including strong earnings growth, upward street revisions, and positive guidance from management.
• Artificial intelligence infrastructure, earnings momentum (ROI), and projected productivity gains.
• Growth conducive policies across fiscal (elevated deficit spending) and regulatory landscapes.
• Resilient consumption with low unemployment and under levered consumer balance sheets.

Bearish Asset Allocation Narratives
• Energy price shock and associated risks to inflation (bond yields) and growth (demand destruction).
• Artificial Intelligence equity market concentration, narrow earnings breadth, shift toward asset/capex intensive business models, circular investment deals, increased debt financing, and related labor/business model disruption.
• Tariff (trade) policy uncertainty and impacts on business uncertainty, price levels, and supply chains.

SUMMARY OF ECONOMIC REPORTS

Economic Report	Release	Period	Prior	Estimate Range	Consensus	Actual
Payrolls (MoM)	6/5/26	May	115,000	50,000 to 110,000	85,000	172,000
Unemployment Rate	6/5/26	May	4.3%	4.3% to 4.4%	4.3%	4.3%
JOLTS	6/2/26	April	6.887M	6.79M to 7.02M	6.833M	7.618M
ISM Services	6/3/26	May	53.6	53.0 to 54.5	53.7	54.5
ISM Manufacturing	6/1/26	May	52.7	52.0 to 53.5	53.1	54.0
PCE YoY (Headline/Core)	5/28/26	April	3.5% / 3.2%	3.3% to 4.0%	3.8% / 3.3%	3.8% / 3.3%
PCE MoM (Headline/Core)	5/28/26	April	0.7% / 0.3%	0.2% / 0.6%	0.5% / 0.3%	0.4% / 0.2%
Personal Income / PCE (MoM)	5/28/26	April	0.5% / 1.0%	0.2% to 0.9%	0.4% / 0.5%	0.0% / 0.5%
Durable Goods Orders (Orders)	5/28/26	April	1.3%	0.1% to 4.5%	2.8%	7.9%
Consumer Confidence	5/26/26	May	93.8	91.0 to 93.7	92.0	93.1
Case-Shiller HPI (YoY)	5/26/26	Mar	0.9%	-0.1% to 0.1%	0.1%	-0.2%
U.S. GDP (QoQ AR)	5/28/26	Q1	2.0%	1.9% to 2.2%	2.0%	1.6%
Personal Consumption (QoQ AR)	5/28/26	Q1	1.6%	1.6% to 1.7%	1.7%	1.4%
New Home Sales (AR)	5/28/26	April	663k	645k to 690k	662k	622k
PMI Services	5/21/26	May	51.0	50.5 to 51.7	51.2	50.9
PMI Manufacturing	5/21/26	May	54.5	53.0 to 53.8	53.5	55.3
UofM Consumer Sentiment	5/22/26	June	48.2	47.9 to 49.0	48.2	44.8
Housing Starts & Permits (M)	5/21/26	April	1.50M / 1.37M	1.35M to 1.50M	1.41M / 1.38M	1.47M / 1.44M
Pending Home Sales (MoM)	5/19/26	April	1.7%	0.5% to 1.6%	0.9%	1.4%
Housing Market Index (MoM)	5/18/26	May	34	34 to 35	34	37
CPI (Headline/Core YoY)	5/12/26	April	3.3% / 2.6%	2.6% to 4.0%	3.8% / 2.7%	3.8% / 2.8%
CPI (Headline/Core MoM)	5/12/26	April	0.9% / 0.2%	0.2% to 0.9%	0.6% / 0.3%	0.6% / 0.4%
Retail Sales (Headline/Core)	5/14/26	April	1.7% / 0.6%	-0.3% to 0.8%	0.5% / 0.4%	0.5% / 0.5%
NFIB Small Biz Optimism	5/12/26	April	95.8	95.4 to 96.8	96.1	95.9
Industrial Production (MoM)	5/15/26	April	-0.5%	-0.4 to 0.4%	0.2%	0.7%
Existing Home Sales	5/11/26	April	3.98M	4.01M to 4.11M	4.05M	4.02M
Employment Cost Index (QoQ/YoY)	4/30/26	Q1	0.7% / 3.4%	0.7% to 0.9%	0.8% / N/A	0.9% / 3.4%

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MARKET ANALYSIS

Equity	Level	1 Wk	1 Mo	3 Mo	YTD	1 Yr
Dow Jones	50867	(0.21)	3.45	6.54	6.63	22.23
NASDAQ	25709	(4.65)	1.61	13.23	10.92	34.06
S&P 500	7384	(2.55)	1.86	8.44	8.43	25.86
Russell 1000 Growth		(4.02)	1.91	8.44	3.87	22.32
Russell 1000 Value		(0.68)	1.88	7.59	12.91	27.56
Russell 2000		(2.91)	(0.28)	9.94	14.71	36.83
Russell 3000		(2.45)	1.77	8.19	8.48	25.50
MSCI EAFE		(1.38)	2.08	4.69	8.22	20.40
MSCI Emg Mkts		(1.93)	4.41	14.99	23.31	48.79
Fixed Income	**Δ Yield**	**1 Wk**	**1 Mo**	**3 Mo**	**YTD**	**1 Yr**
US Aggregate	4.00	0.04	0.03	0.11	0.11	0.16
High Yield	6.64	0.06	0.02	0.02	0.10	(0.00)
Municipal	3.49	0.03	0.01	0.12	0.17	0.29
Treasury	3.59	0.14	0.12	0.23	0.27	0.40

Commodities	Current	3/31/26	12/31/25	9/30/25
Oil (WTI)	95.96	102.86	57.26	63.17
Gold (Mo-End)	4587.52	4587.52	4289.48	3665.20

Currencies	Current	3/31/26	12/31/25	9/30/25
USD/Euro ($/€)	1.16	1.15	1.18	1.17
USD/GBP ($/£)	1.35	1.35	1.34	1.34
Yen/USD (¥/$)	159.23	159.23	156.80	147.97

Treasury Rates	Current	3/31/26	12/31/25	9/30/25
3 Month	3.78	3.70	3.67	4.02
2 Year	4.17	3.79	3.47	3.60
5 Year	4.29	3.92	3.73	3.74
10 Year	4.55	4.30	4.18	4.16
30 Year	5.01	4.88	4.84	4.73

Style Returns

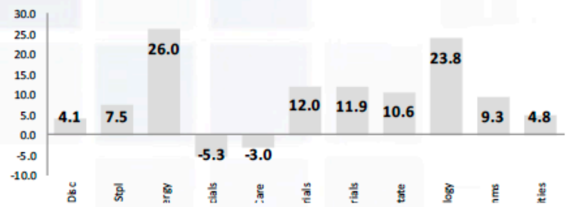
MTD

	V	B	G
L	-0.68	-2.42	-4.02
M	-0.58	-1.01	-2.53
S	-1.93	-2.91	-3.79

YTD

	V	B	G
L	12.91	8.20	3.87
M	13.47	10.69	1.81
S	16.01	14.71	13.51

S&P 500 Sector Returns



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