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#### STOCKS RETREAT DESPITE SOLID EARNINGS

Rising bond yields and uncertainty over whether this was the close of the Fed's rate-hike cycle dragged markets lower last week despite solid corporate earnings results.

The Dow Jones Industrial Average sank 1.61%, while the Standard & Poor's 500 fell 2.39%. The Nasdaq Composite index, which has led for much of the year, slumped 3.16%. The MSCI EAFE index, which tracks developed overseas stock markets, retreated 1.67%.

Market Index		Close	Week	١	/-T-D
DJIA		33,127.28	-1.61%		0.06%
NASDAQ		12,983.81	-3.16%	+	24.05%
MSCI-EAFE		1,978.98	-1.67%	+	+1.80%
S&P 500		4,224.16	-2.39%	4	10.02%
4600					
4500					
4400	4373.63	4373.20	4214.60		
4300			4314.60	4278.00	4224.16
4200					4224.10
4100					
4000					
	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thurs	Fri
			S&P 500 (daily clos	e)	
		Treasury	Close	Week	Y-T-D
_		10-Year Note	4.93%	+0.30%	+1.05%

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#### **Rising Yields Sink Stocks**

Stocks rallied to start the week on earnings optimism before losing momentum over rising bond yields. Yields rose after traders speculated that strong economic data might persuade the Fed to raise rates. By mid-week, stocks turned lower as the 10-year Treasury yield moved above 4.9% for the first time since 2007, while mortgage rates hit 8%-the highest level since mid-2000.

Stocks were under pressure Thursday as the 10-year Treasury yield moved closer to 5% and in response to comments from Fed Chair Powell that inflation remained too high. With the 10-year Treasury yield crossing above the 5% mark on Friday-and ahead of a weekend of uncertainty in the Middle East-stocks weakened further, ending a down week on a sour note.

## **Economic Strength, Housing Weakness**

The economy continued to evidence surprising strength according to data released last week. Despite worries of a struggling consumer, consumers increased their spending as retail sales

rose 0.7% in September–well above the forecast of a 0.3% rise, while industrial output jumped 0.3%, exceeding the forecast of a 0.1% gain.

There were also updates on the state of housing. Housing starts rebounded 7.0% from August, though permits (an indicator of future housing starts) declined 4.4% month-over-month. Existing home sales were weak, falling 2.0% from August and 15.4% from a year ago. Existing home sales are on track to record their slowest year since 2011.



#### **Key Economic Data**

**Tuesday:** Purchasing Managers' Index (PMI).

Wednesday: New Home Sales.

**Thursday:** Gross Domestic Product (GDP). Durable Goods Orders. Jobless Claims.

**Friday:** Personal Income and Outlays. Consumer Sentiment.

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## Companies Reporting Earnings

**Tuesday:** Microsoft Corporation (MSFT), General Electric Company (GE), Verizon Communications, Inc. (VZ), Alphabet, Inc. (GOOGL), General Motors Company (GM), The CocaCola Company (KO), 3M Company (MMM), Texas Instruments, Inc. (TXN), HCA Healthcare, Inc. (HCA), NextEra Energy, Inc. (NEE), Kimberly-Clark Corporation (KMB), The Sherwin-Williams Company (SHW), Danaher Corporation (DHR), PulteGroup, Inc. (PHM)

Wednesday: The Boeing Company (BA), International Business Machines Corporation (IBM), ServiceNow, Inc. (NOW), Thermo Fisher Scientific, Inc. (TMO), General Dynamics Corporation (GD), O'Reilly Automotive, Inc. (ORLY), T-Mobile US, Inc. (TMUS)

Thursday: Amazon.com, Inc. (AMZN), Intel Corporation (INTC), Ford Motor Company (F), Mastercard, Inc. (MA), Merck & Co., Inc. (MRK), Northrop Grumman Corporation (NOC), United Parcel Service, Inc. (UPS), Comcast Corporation (CMCSA), Honeywell International, Inc. (HON)

**Friday:** AbbVie, Inc. (ABBV), Exxon Mobil Corporation (XOM), Chevron Corporation (CVX), Colgate-Palmolive Company (CL)



#### **Gig Economy Tax Tips**

There are some essential tips to remember if you work as a gig worker:

All income is taxable, regardless of whether you receive information returns, including full-time and part-time work and those paid in cash.

As a gig worker, your classification is as an employee or an independent contractor; this can depend on where you live, even for the same services.

Lastly, it's important to remember to pay the correct taxes on this income throughout the year to manage owing additional taxes when you file. Because gig employees don't have an employer withholding taxes from their paychecks, they can either submit a new W-4 and have their employer withhold more from their pay (if they have another job as an employee) or make quarterly estimated tax payments throughout the year.

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#### HEALTH LIVING TIP



## **Boost Your Productivity With These Tips**

Take regular breaks. It seems counterintuitive, but most people are more productive when they take frequent breaks.

Do the challenging tasks first. Mark Twain famously said to "eat the frog first thing in the morning," meaning you should tackle your most difficult task immediately.

Make two to-do lists: one with your weekly goals and objectives and one with your daily tasks.

Divide large projects into manageable steps. Make the things on your to-do list specific so you can continue to cross things out and make progress.

### FOOD FOR THOUGHT



"Each day will be triumphant only when your smiles bring forth smiles from others."

Og Mandino-Leo Tolstoy

#### WEEKLY RIDDLE



It is round and has a big mouth but never speaks. It is most often in a cabinet. What is it?

Riddle from last edition: What goes in the blank below: Bob is Ken's son. Therefore, Ken is the \_\_\_\_\_of Bob's father?

<u>Answer</u>: Name.



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