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## **General Market News**

- After the Federal Open Market Committee (FOMC) meeting on June 19, rates have ranged between 1.97 percent and 2.06 percent. The 10-year Treasury yield opened at 2.01 percent on Monday. Most of the curve moved slightly lower, with the 1-month and 3-month yields moving the most. Bond investors are anticipating a possible rate cut at the end of July FOMC meeting.
- · All three major U.S. markets were down slightly ahead of the meeting between President Trump and Chinese leader Xi Jinping. Despite the tension surrounding the G20 meeting, the market actually moved away from bond proxies and favored a more risk-on sentiment. As the week continued, the consensus expectation was that there would be a truce that would restart trade negotiations. As a result, REITs and utilities sold off, and investors rotated into financials, materials, and industrials. Financials were supported by the U.S. banks passing their capital asset stress tests. The pass allowed many of these firms, such as JPMorgan, Bank of America, and Wells Fargo, to propose raising dividends.
- Turning to economic reports, we saw the release of May's new home sales report last Tuesday. Sales fell by 7.8 percent during the month, which was a disappointment given economist expectations for growth of 2.2 percent. This marks the second straight month of declining new home sales.
- Also on Tuesday, the Conference Board Consumer Confidence Index was released, dropping sharply from 131.3 in May down

- to 121.5 in June. Both the present condition and future expectations indices declined during the month, as concerns regarding trade tensions with China outweighed the positive tailwind from the month's strong equity performance.
- On Wednesday, we received the first estimate of May's durable goods orders. Headline orders declined by 1.3 percent, in large part due to the ongoing issues Boeing is having with its grounded 737 MAX airplanes. The core durable goods figure, however, which strips out transportation orders, grew 0.3 percent in May. This steady growth in the core figure suggests that overall business investment remains healthy, despite the problems with Boeing.
- On Friday, May's personal income and personal spending reports were released. Income grew by 0.5 percent in May, while spending rose by 0.4 percent. These results were largely in line with expectations and show growth remained constant with April's levels.
- Finally, the week ended with the release of the second and final estimate of the University of Michigan consumer sentiment index for June. Consumer confidence increased from 97.9 mid-month to 98.2 by month-end. This improvement was driven by a jump in the current conditions index, which was likely helped by the strong equity returns we saw during the month. While this improvement is encouraging, the index still sits slightly below May's level.



# **Market Index Performance Data**

### **EQUITIES**

Index	Week-to-Date %	Month-to-Date %	Year-to-Date %	12-Month %
S&P 500	-0.27	7.05	18.54	10.51
Nasdaq Composite	-0.30	7.51	21.33	7.88
DJIA	-0.45	7.31	15.40	12.45
MSCI EAFE	0.67	5.93	14.49	2.64
MSCI Emerging Markets	0.43	6.24	10.76	3.83
Russell 2000	1.16	7.07	16.98	-3.41

Source: Bloomberg

### **FIXED INCOME**

Index	Month-to-Date %	Year-to-Date %	12-Month %
U.S. Broad Market	1.26	6.11	7.91
U.S.Treasury	0.92	5.18	7.23
U.S. Mortgages	0.72	4.17	6.31
Municipal Bond	0.37	5.09	6.74

Source: Morningstar Direct



# What to Look Forward To

On Monday, data from the Institute for Supply Management (ISM) Manufacturing index was released. This measure of manufacturer optimism fell from 52.1 in May to 51.7 in June. This decline was smaller than economists expected, but it still brought the index to its lowest level since October 2016. This is a diffusion index, where values greater than 50 indicate expansion, so manufacturers still expect growth going forward.

On Wednesday, we will receive the report on May's international trade balance. It is expected to show the deficit widening from \$50.8 billion to \$52.5 billion during the month. Declines in both imports and exports are expected, given the increasing pressure on global trade from the ongoing trade war between China and the U.S.

Wednesday will also see the release of the ISM Nonmanufacturing index. It is expected

### What to Look Forward To (continued)

to drop from 56.9 to 56 in June, following a jump in May that was larger than economists expected. Despite the expected modest pullback, the index still shows solid growth expectations for the service sector.

Finally, on Friday, we will receive June's employment report. It is slated to show 160,000 new jobs were added during the month. The unemployment rate is expected to stay at 3.6 percent, which represents the lowest level since August 1969.

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