

Weekly Market Recap

Asia Pacific | 16 Oct 2017

Week in review

		Survey	Actual	Prior
CN	General Service PMI	-	51.4	52.4
US	JOLTS	6.16	6.08	6.17
EU	Industrial Production	-	3.8%	3.2%
US	CPI	2.3%	2.2%	1.9%

Week ahead

- 16/10 - **CN** - CPI
- 16/10 - **CN** - PPI
- 17/10 - **US** - Ind. Production
- 18/10 - **US** - Housing Starts
- 19/10 - **CN** - GDP
- 19/10 - **CN** - Retail Sales

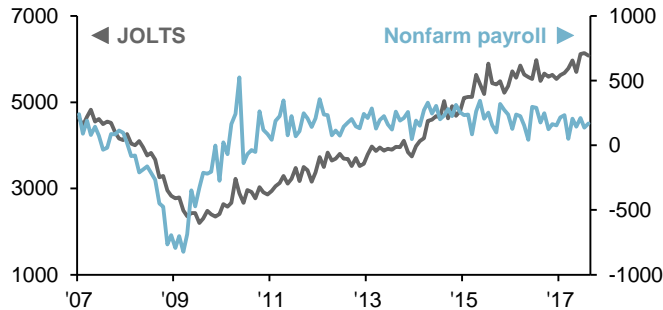
Thought of the week

The latest U.S. Job opening and labor turnover survey (JOLTS) result was released last Wednesday showed that there were 6.1 million job openings in America, slightly below market expectation. The recent hurricanes that impacted the southern parts of the U.S. likely contributed to the small decline. Nevertheless, job openings remain at near record-high levels, indicating that U.S. economy is very close to full employment. We expect the tight labor market conditions will eventually lead to a higher rate of inflation as wages rise. More importantly, the robust labor market conditions provide a constructive backdrop for the Federal Reserve to implement its proposed rate hike in December.

Chart of the week

U.S. Labor Market Conditions

Thousands, seasonally adjusted

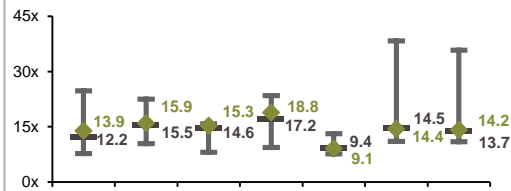


EQUITIES (Indices: 9 Oct to 13 Oct)

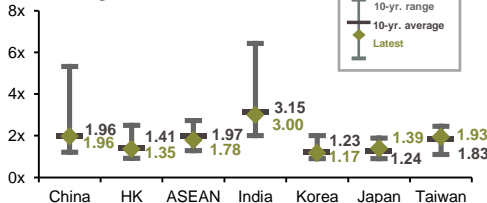
	% w/w	% m/m	% YTD
MSCI AC Asia Pac ex JP U\$	2.1	2.1	28.9
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MSCI US	0.1	2.1	14.1
MSCI Europe U\$	1.4	1.9	21.0
MSCI EM U\$	2.1	2.4	30.6
MSCI World U\$	0.7	2.1	15.8
Countries			
Hong Kong Hang Seng	0.1	2.1	29.4
Taiwan SE Weighted	1.8	1.8	15.9
Korea SE Composite	3.3	4.8	22.1
Japan Topix	1.3	4.4	12.5
MSCI Japan U\$	2.0	3.0	15.4
Shanghai SE A Share	1.2	0.2	9.3
MSCI China U\$	0.1	3.3	46.7
Singapore Straits Times	0.8	2.7	15.2
KLCI Composite	-0.5	-1.7	6.9
Bangkok SET	1.0	4.2	11.0
Philippine SE Composite	1.6	4.9	23.5
Jakarta SE Composite	0.3	1.3	11.8
MSCI ASEAN U\$	1.3	1.5	19.1
India BSE100	1.8	0.6	26.0
ASX All Ordinaries	1.9	1.4	2.9

Asian equity markets valuations

Consensus forward (NTM) P/E Ratios



Trailing P/B Ratios



	Change (bps)			
GOV'T 10-YEAR YIELDS	13/10/2017	w/w	m/m	YTD
China	3.71	5	3	64
India	6.94	-2	15	31
Korea	2.39	2	15	30
UK	1.37	0	23	28
Germany	0.40	-6	0	20
Australia	2.79	-2	13	4
Japan	0.06	1	4	2
US	2.28	-9	9	-17
Thailand	2.22	-8	-9	-44
Singapore	2.07	-7	6	-48
Indonesia	6.52	4	12	-137

	Change (%) (per USD)*			
CURRENCIES	13/10/2017	w/w	m/m	YTD
Australia AUD/USD	0.7889	1.6	-1.4	8.9
Thailand USD/THB	33.11	1.0	-0.1	8.2
UK GBP/USD	1.3305	1.9	0.6	7.7
Canada USD/CAD	1.2481	0.5	-2.3	7.5
Singapore USD/SGD	1.3502	1.1	-0.1	7.0
Korea USD/KRW	1,129	1.5	0.0	7.0
Taiwan USD/TWD	30.16	0.7	-0.3	6.8
Malaysia USD/MYR	4.2220	0.4	-0.7	6.3
China USD/CNY	6.5874	0.8	-0.9	5.5
India USD/INR	64.91	0.7	-1.4	4.6
Swiss USD/CHF	0.9744	0.4	-1.1	4.3
Japan USD/JPY	111.93	0.8	-1.2	4.2
New Zealand NZD/USD	0.7195	1.5	-0.9	3.2
Indonesia USD/IDR	13,491	0.1	-2.1	-0.1
Philippines USD/PHP	51.39	-0.5	-0.8	-3.3

	Change (%)			
COMMODITIES	13/10/2017	w/w	m/m	YTD
Crude Oil (WTI, \$/bbl)	51.44	4.3	4.3	-4.3
Nat. Gas (HH, \$/mm BTU)	3.01	2.7	-0.3	-18.9
Silver (\$/troy oz)	17.20	3.5	-4.0	5.9
Gold (\$/troy oz)	1,300	3.0	-2.1	13.4
DJ/UBS Commodity Index	85.90	2.3	1.1	-1.8
Copper (\$/ton)	6,858	3.3	5.1	24.7

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Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, J.P. Morgan Asset Management

All returns in local currency except where stated.

* Currencies' return are based on foreign currencies per U.S. dollar. An appreciation of the foreign currency against the U.S. dollar would be positive and a depreciation of the foreign currency against the U.S. dollar would be negative.

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