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#### **Economic Calendar**

Monday, July 1 Manufacturing Activity PMIs, Construction Spending;

Tuesday, July 2 No Major Releases;

Wednesday, July 3
ADP Private Payrolls, US
Trade Deficit, Services
Activity PMIs, Durable
Goods Orders:

Thursday, July 4 Independence Day, All Markets Closed:

Friday, July 5 Nonfarm Payrolls, Unemployment Rate, Hourly Earnings.

### What We're Reading

New Trade Truce

GDP Holds Steady

Oil Outlook Stabilizes

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# **WEEKLY VANTAGE POINT**

June 24-28, 2019 Recap

# **Stocks Slip Last Week**

## Equities Rip in June

U.S. stocks finished higher on Friday but capped its first weekly loss in June which slightly trimmed a stellar monthly gain. The S&P 500 posted its best June performance since 1955, up 7.05%, while recording its best two-quarter start to a year since 1997, up 18.54%.

## Weekly Performance

For the week, the Dow Industrials fell 0.45%, the S&P 500 slipped 0.27% and the tech-heavy Nasdaq Composite lost 0.30%. The S&P 500 ended Friday 0.42% below its June 20 record high.

#### **GDP Holds Steady**

The final reading of U.S. first quarter gross domestic product was unchanged at 3.1%. Officials noted that stronger business investment (up 3% vs. 1% previously) offset a smaller increase in consumer spending (up 0.9% vs. 1.3% previously reported).

#### **Materials Performed Best**

Seven of the 11 major sector groups ended negative last week, with Real Estate (-2.55%), Utilities (-2.12%) and Healthcare (-1.15%) falling the most. Materials (+1.54%), Financials (+1.50%) and Industrials (+0.33%) led gainers.

#### Treasury Yields Fall

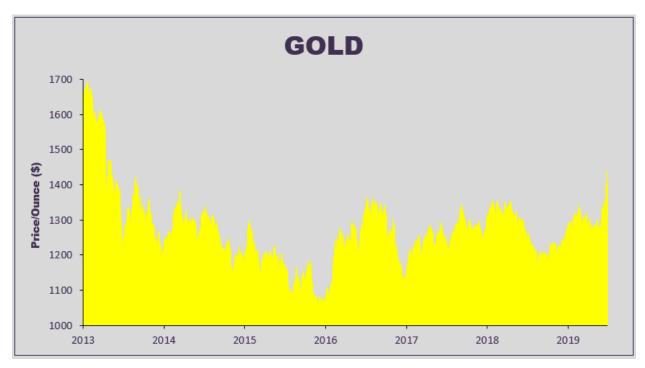
Treasury prices rose last week amid rising tensions with Iran, pushing the yield on 10-year notes down five basis points to 2.0%. Prospects for a Fed rate cut this year pushed 10-year yields down nearly 12 basis points since the start of June. The U.S. Dollar Index weakened by 0.09% last week.

# **Market Watch**

Stocks	1-Week	MTD	3-Month	YTD	1-Year	3-Year
Dow Jones Industrial Avg.	-0.45	7.19	3.43	14.03	9.85	15.19
S&P 500	-0.27	7.05	5.01	18.54	10.52	15.37
NASDAQ Composite	-0.30	7.51	4.69	21.33	7.88	20.85
Russell 3000	-0.12	7.02	4.77	18.71	9.07	15.24
MSCI EAFE	0.65	5.93	4.26	14.03	2.11	10.56
MSCI Emerging Markets	0.39	6.24	1.85	10.58	3.42	12.03
Bonds	1-Week	MTD	3-Month	YTD	1-Year	3-Year
Barclays Agg Bond	0.43	1.26	2.98	6.11	7.91	2.31
Barclays Municipal	0.08	0.37	2.16	5.09	6.75	2.53
Barclays US Corp High Yield	-0.02	2.28	2.71	9.94	7.54	7.84
Commodities	1-Week	MTD	3-Month	YTD	1-Year	3-Year
Bloomberg Commodity	1.08	2.69	-1.18	5.06	-6.08	-1.98
S&P GSCI Crude Oil	1.81	9.29	-1.40	28.76	-20.41	6.91
S&P GSCI Gold	0.97	7.83	9.14	10.33	13.02	2.37

Source: Morningstar

# **Chart of the Week: Gold Getting More Golden**



2019 has been a good year for most of the major asset classes after a tough year in 2018. Gold struggled last year because of rising interest rates and a strengthening dollar. This year is a different story for the yellow metal. Gold has rallied over the last month and reached a six-year high last week. Tensions in the middle east, expectations of the Fed easing rates, and a weaker U.S. dollar have pushed demand for gold higher.



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The **Dow Jones Industrial Average** is a price-weighted average of 30 significant stocks traded on the New York Stock Exchange and the NASDAQ.

The **S&P 500** is an index of 500 stocks chosen for market size, liquidity and industry grouping (among other factors) designed to be a leading indicator of U.S. equities and is meant to reflect the risk/return characteristics of the large cap universe.

The NASDAQ Composite Index includes all domestic and international based common type stocks listed on The NASDAQ Stock Market. The NASDAQ Composite Index is a broad based index.

The **Russell 2000 Index** measures the performance of the small-cap segment of the U.S. equity universe and is a subset of the Russell 3000 Index representing approximately 10% of the total market capitalization of that index. It includes approximately 2000 of the smallest securities based on a combination of their market cap and current index membership.



The **Russell 3000 Index** measures the performance of the largest 3,000 U.S. companies representing approximately 98% of the investable U.S. equity market.

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The **Bloomberg Barclays US Aggregate Bond Index**, which was originally called the Lehman Aggregate Bond Index, is a broad based flagship benchmark that measures the investment grade, US dollar-denominated, fixed-rate taxable bond market. The index includes Treasuries, government—related and corporate debt securities, MBS (agency fixed-rate and hybrid ARM pass-throughs), ABS and CMBS (agency and non-agency) debt securities that are rated at least Baa3 by Moody's and BBB- by S&P. Taxable municipals, including Build America bonds and a small amount of foreign bonds traded in U.S. markets are also included. Eligible bonds must have at least one year until final maturity, but in practice the index holdings have a fluctuating average life of around 8.25 years. This total return index, created in 1986 with history backfilled to January 1, 1976, is unhedged and rebalances monthly.

The **Bloomberg Barclays US Corporate High Yield Index** measures the USD-denominated, non-investment grade, fixed-rate, taxable corporate bond market. Securities are classified as high yield if the middle rating of Moody's, Fitch, and S&P is Ba1/BB+/BB+ or below, excluding emerging market debt. Payment-in-kind and bonds with predetermined step-up coupon provisions are also included. Eligible securities must have at least one year until final maturity, but in practice the index holdings have a fluctuating average life of around 6.3 years. This total return unhedged index was created in 1986, with history backfilled to July 1, 1983 and rebalances monthly.

The **Bloomberg Barclays US Municipal Bond Index** covers the USD-denominated long-term tax exempt bond market. The index has four main sectors: state and local general obligation bonds, revenue bonds, insured bonds, and prerefunded bonds. Many of the subindicies of the Municipal Index have historical data to January 1980. In addition, several subindicies based on maturity and revenue source have been created, some with inception dates after January 1980, but no later than July 1, 1993. Eligible securities must be rated investment grade (Baa3/BBB- or higher) by Moody's and S&P and have at least one year until final maturity, but in practice has a fluctuating average life of around 12.8 years. This total return index is unhedged and rebalances monthly.

The MSCI All-Country World Index is a free float-adjusted market capitalization weighted index that is designed to measure the equity market performance of developed and emerging markets. The SMCI ACWI consists of 46 country indexes comprising 23 developed and 23 emerging market country indexes. The developed country indexes include: Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Hong Kong, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, the United Kingdom and the United States. The emerging market country indexes included are: Brazil, Chile, China, Colombia, Czech Republic, Egypt, Greece, Hungary, India, Indonesia, Korea, Malaysia, Mexico, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Qatar, Russia, South Africa, Taiwan, Thailand, Turkey and United Arab Emirates.

The MSCI EAFE Index is designed to measure the equity market performance of developed markets (Europe, Australasia, Far East) excluding the U.S. and Canada. The Index is market-capitalization weighted.

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The **S&P GSCI Crude Oil Index** is a sub-index of the S&P GSCI, provides investors with a reliable and publicly available benchmark for investment performance in the crude oil market.

The **S&P GSCI Gold Index**, a sub-index of the S&P GSCI, provides investors with a reliable and publicly available benchmark tracking the COMEX gold futures market.

West Texas Intermediate (WTI) is a crude oil stream produced in Texas and southern Oklahoma which serves as a reference or "marker" for pricing a number of other crude streams. WTI is the underlying commodity of the New York Mercantile Exchange's oil futures contracts

The Cboe Volatility Index® (VIX®) is a key measure of market expectations of near-term volatility conveyed by S&P 500 stock index option prices.



**The U.S. Dollar Index** is a weighted geometric mean that provides a value measure of the United States dollar relative to a basket of major foreign currencies. The index, often carrying a USDX or DXY moniker, started in March 1973, beginning with a value of the U.S. Dollar Index at 100.000. It has since reached a February 1985 high of 164.720 and has been as low as 70.698 in March 2008.

