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CURRENT ECONOMIC OUTLOOK FOR TIMELY FINANCIAL PLANNING

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**Market Commentary**

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There was a lot of economic data in the holiday-shortened week, but trade deal perceptions remained the dominant factor. Fed Chair Powell said that monetary policy was “well-positioned” to support economic growth, a strong labor market, and inflation near the 2% goal. However, he added that the Fed would react “if the outlook changes materially.”

Real GDP rose at a 2.1% annual rate in the 2nd estimate for 3Q19 (vs. +1.9% in the advance estimate), mostly due to faster inventory growth (which is likely to slow in 4Q19). Personal income was flat in October, reflecting a reduction in farm subsidies (aggregate wage growth was moderate). Consumer spending rose modestly after adjusting for inflation. Ex-food and energy, the PCE Price Index edged up 0.1%, up 1.6% year-over-year (still short of the Fed’s goal). The Conference Board’s Consumer Confidence Index showed improved expectations in November, but weaker ratings of current conditions (consistent with good growth in consumer spending, but relative softness in the overall economy).

Next week, fresh November data begin to arrive. The ISM manufacturing survey is likely to have remained in contraction. The ISM’s non-manufacturing data should remain consistent with moderate growth in the overall economy. Some 42,000 strikers will return, boosting the monthly change in nonfarm payrolls, but likely masking a general downtrend in job growth (more indicative of labor market constraints than economic weakness). In the House Judiciary Committee’s hearing on the impeachment inquiry, the question will be what constitutes an impeachable offense.

**Indices**

	Last	Last Week	YTD return %
DJIA	28164.00	27766.29	20.73%
NASDAQ	8705.18	8506.21	31.20%
S&P 500	3153.63	3103.54	25.80%
MSCI EAFE	1982.23	1969.07	15.25%
Russell 2000	1634.10	1583.99	21.17%

### Consumer Money Rates

	Last	1 year ago
Prime Rate	4.75	5.25
Fed Funds	1.55	2.18
30-year mortgage	3.76	4.84

### Currencies

	Last	1 year ago
Dollars per British Pound	1.291	1.279
Dollars per Euro	1.101	1.139
Japanese Yen per Dollar	109.51	113.48
Canadian Dollars per Dollar	1.328	1.328
Mexican Peso per Dollar	19.472	20.235

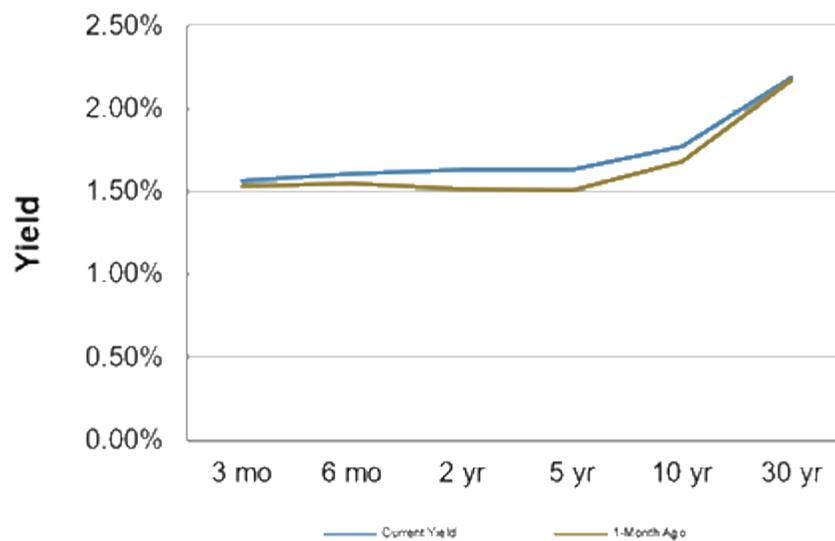
### Commodities

	Last	1 year ago
Crude Oil	58.11	51.45
Gold	1460.80	1230.40

### Bond Rates

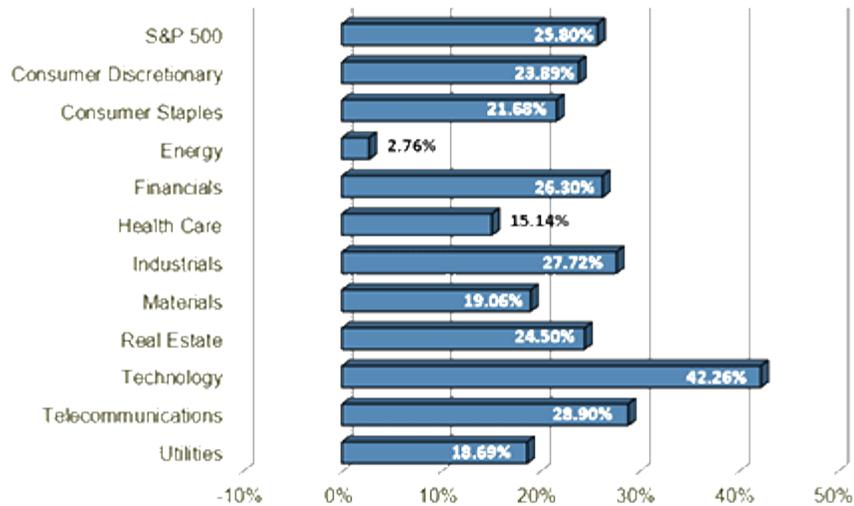
	Last	1 month ago
2-year treasury	1.63	1.52
10-year treasury	1.77	1.68
10-year municipal (TEY)	2.31	2.28

### Treasury Yield Curve – 11/29/2019



As of close of business 11/27/2019

## S&P Sector Performance (YTD) – 11/29/2019



As of close of business 11/27/2019

## Economic Calendar

<b>December 2</b>	—	ISM Manufacturing Index (November)
<b>December 4</b>	—	ADP Payroll Estimate (November)
	—	ISM Non-Manufacturing Index (November)
	—	House Judiciary Hearing on Impeachment
<b>December 5</b>	—	Challenger Job-Cut Report (November)
	—	Jobless Claims (week ending December 30)

- Trade Balance (October)
- Factory Orders (October)
- December 6** — Employment Report (November)
- UM Consumer Sentiment (mid-December)

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