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# Economics & Markets Dashboard

Data as of 8/15/2025

>> Core CPI has ticked up alongside its forecast in recent months as the market awaits the full impact of tariffs

- PPI came in above expectations, stoking some concern that producers have begun passing on the cost of tariffs
- Labor market momentum is weakening, as evidenced by slowing payroll growth (estimates subject to change), even as GDP remains stable
- This could open the window for Fed rate cuts, unless inflation readings continue to edge upward

>> Investors continue to face a conundrum in equity markets - US large cap has the best earnings but a significantly above average valuation

- Small cap and international stocks are a better value, but expected earnings growth is currently below average, although improving for small cap
- Maintaining diversification will capture a composition of favorable earnings growth in one market and more favorable valuations in others

| Economics: Top 10 Indicators | Type | May 25 | Jun 25 | Jul 25 | TTM | 10y | 10y Avg | Z-Score | Status[1] |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| CPI - NSA | YoY Pct | 2.4 | 2.7 | 2.7 | | | 3.0 | -0.1 | Stable |
| CPI NSA - Median Forecast[2] | Linear | 2.4 | 2.6 | 2.8 | | | 3.0 | -0.1 | Worse |
| Core CPI - NSA | YoY Pct | 2.8 | 2.9 | 3.1 | | | 3.0 | 0.0 | Worse |
| Core CPI NSA - Median Forecast[2] | Linear | 2.9 | 2.9 | 3.0 | | | 3.0 | 0.0 | Worse |
| PPI: Final Demand | MoM Pct | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.9 | | | 0.26 | 1.7 | Worse |
| Nonfarm Payrolls | Linear | 19.0 | 14.0 | 73.0 | | | 145.1 | 0.0 | Worse |
| Unemployment Rate | Linear | 4.2 | 4.1 | 4.2 | | | 4.6 | -0.2 | Stable |
| Atlanta Fed GDPNow Forecast | Linear | 3.8 | 2.9 | 2.3 | | | 2.6 | 0.0 | Stable |
| Advance Retail Sales: Retail Trade and Food Services | MoM Pct | -0.8 | 0.9 | 0.5 | | | 0.5 | 0.0 | Stable |
| UoM: Consumer Sentiment | Linear | 52.2 | 60.7 | 61.7 | | | 80.9 | -1.3 | Better |

| Markets: Top 10 Indicators | Type | Jun 25 | Jul 25 | Aug 25 | TTM | 10y | 10y Avg | Z-Score | Status |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| S&P 500 Forward P/E | Linear | 22.7 | 23.3 | 23.8 | | | 19.0 | 1.9 | Worse |
| S&P 600 Forward P/E | Linear | 16.5 | 16.3 | 16.4 | | | 17.6 | -0.5 | Stable |
| MSCI World Ex-USA Forward P/E | Linear | 15.7 | 15.9 | 15.9 | | | 14.8 | 0.6 | Stable |
| S&P 500 Expected 1 Year EPS Growth | Linear | 7.1 | 6.3 | 6.0 | | | 5.9 | 0.0 | Worse |
| S&P 600 Expected 1 Year EPS Growth | Linear | -2.1 | 0.1 | 1.8 | | | 4.1 | -0.1 | Stable |
| MSCI World Ex-USA Expected 1 Year EPS Growth | Linear | 7.6 | 4.7 | 2.5 | | | 6.1 | -0.4 | Worse |
| 10y US Treasury Yield | Linear | 4.2 | 4.4 | 4.3 | | | 2.6 | 1.5 | Stable |
| Bloomberg US Corporate High Yield OAS | Linear | 2.9 | 2.8 | 2.8 | | | 4.1 | -1.1 | Stable |
| Bloomberg Muni 1-10 (1-12) Yield to Worst | Linear | 3.3 | 3.2 | 3.1 | | | 2.0 | 1.1 | Stable |
| Bloomberg Municipal High Yield YTW | Linear | 5.8 | 5.9 | 5.9 | | | 5.14 | 0.8 | Stable |

[1] Status of "better," "worse," or "stable" refers to each indicator in isolation, relative to its own history and interpretation in a normal market environment. For example, a rising rate of inflation in a high inflation environment that comes in below expectations is marked "worse," however, the fact that it is considered better in terms of beating expectations for a less favorable outcome would be addressed when notable in the commentary above.

[2] The calculation of consensus data is provided by Bloomberg.

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