Weekly Newsletter – Tuesday, 9 December 2025

Industry Indicators

US Equities	Price	% Change 1W	1M	YTD
S&P 500	6,870.40	0.31	2.10	16.81
DJIA	47,954.99	0.50	2.06	12.72
Nasdaq-100	25,692.05	1.01	2.52	22.27
Russell 1000	3,748.87	0.32	2.09	16.39
Russell 2000	2,521.48	0.84	3.64	13.06
S&P MidCap 400	3,320.12	0.35	2.38	6.38
Nasdaq Composite	23,578.13	0.91	2.49	22.10

Global Equities	Price	% Change 1W	1M	YTD
MSCI World	4,418.63	0.46	2.16	19.17
MSCI Emerging Markets	1,385.48	1.36	0.28	28.82
MSCI North America	6,837.96	0.37	2.20	17.38
MSCI Latin America Index	2,702.91	-0.69	2.52	45.90
MSCI Europe ex. UK	229.25	0.60	2.91	14.41
MSCI United Kingdom	2,756.40	-0.58	-0.30	18.19
MSCI Asia ex. Japan	902.48	1.34	-0.13	28.18
MSCI Pacific ex Japan	9,439.96	1.16	-0.03	19.29
MSCI Japan	2,068.19	-0.17	1.70	20.52
MSCI Emerging EMEA	252.11	1.55	0.90	23.48

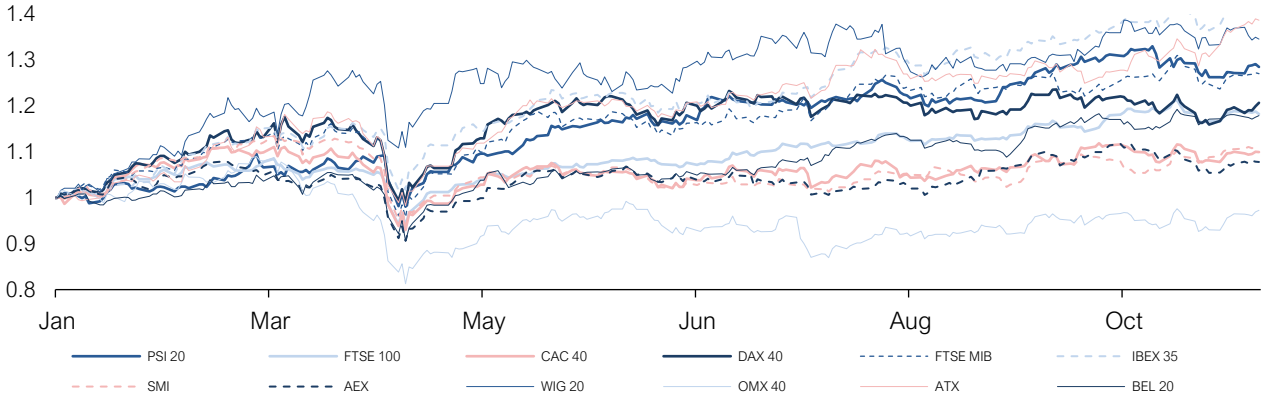
Fixed Income	% YTW	yrs Dur.	% Change 1W	YTD
U.S Aggregate	4.35	6.08	-0.48	6.94
U.S. Corporates	4.84	6.98	-0.47	7.48
Municipals	3.60	6.24	-0.12	4.03
Global High Yield	3.52	6.43	-0.24	7.62

FX	Spot	% Change 1W	1M
EURUSD	1.16	0.38	1.31
EURGBP	0.87	0.35	0.83
EURCHF	0.94	-0.50	-0.61
USDJPY	155.33	0.55	-0.78
USDCNY	7.07	0.05	0.79
USDMXN	18.17	0.68	2.35
USDBRL	5.45	-2.12	-1.72

Commodity	Price	% Change 1W	1M
Bent Crude	63.75	0.87	0.36
WTI Crude	60.08	2.61	0.81
U.S. Nat Gas	5.29	9.05	24.98
Gold	4,212.90	-0.13	5.51
Silver	58.42	3.50	21.66
Copper	538.20	3.79	7.94
Aluminum	2,897.50	1.03	1.67
Corn	436.75	0.29	0.34
Soybeans	1,105.25	-2.86	-1.29
Wheat	537.50	1.22	-3.11

Yields	% Yield	% Change 1W	1M
U.S. 10Y	4.14	0.12	-0.02
Germany 10Y	2.80	0.11	0.13
U.K. 10Y	4.48	0.04	0.01
Mexico 10Y	8.90	-0.01	0.02

Major European Indices



Weekly Recap

Global markets started December on cautious but ultimately posted small positive returns in the first. week Equities had to digest a sharp repricing in global yields after BoJ's hawkish signal pushed 10Y JGBs to ~1.9–2.0% (18-year high). Expectations of a FED 25bp cut next week (~80–85% priced) helped risk sentiment, supporting a small rebound in equities: the MSCI World rose 0.46%, while MSCI EM gained 1.36% on a softer USD and strong Asian EM flows.

US Equities posted modest gains despite rate volatility: the S&P 500 +0.31%, Dow +0.50% and Nasdaq +0.91%. Rate-sensitive segments outperformed, with Dow Transports +3.6% and the Russell 2000 +0.8% on the week. Tech/AI regained strength mid-week to help reverse earlier losses due to soft manufacturing data and crypto-linked drawdowns. By week's end, equities were pushed higher by a wave of optimistic investor positioning ahead of key inflation data.

European markets extended their recovery, with MSCI Europe ex-UK up 0.60% on renewed Fed-cut expectations and better risk appetite. Cyclicals outperformed, as autos and industrials rose on upgrades, tech gained on optimism around China's semiconductor output, and banks advanced on improving sentiment. Defensives lagged, with healthcare and staples lower and defence stocks pressured by Airbus' sharp decline.

Commodities were mixed: Copper rose 3.79% on tight supply, while Gold and Silver stayed firm on a softer USD. Oil was uneven (WTI up, Brent slightly lower), and U.S. natural gas jumped 9.05% on colder-weather forecasts and strong exports. Soybeans fell 2.86% on weak trade. In FX, the USD softened as markets priced near-term FED cuts; USD/JPY moved lower on a more hawkish BoJ, and USD/BRL dropped 2.12% on commodity inflows and renewed foreign interest.

Rates were volatile as markets digested the BoJ's hawkish shift and positioned ahead of the Fed meeting. Bunds and gilts inched higher (German 10Y ~2.80%, UK 10Y ~4.48%), while Treasuries ended firmer after an early selloff (10Y ~4.14%, 2Y ~3.6%, 30Y ~4.8%). Japan remained the key driver: Ueda's comments pushed the 2Y JGB above 1% for the first time since 2008 and lifted the 10Y toward ~1.9%, spilling over into global bonds. Futures now price an 80–85% chance of a 25 bp Fed cut, with light easing expected into 2026. Credit stayed resilient as U.S. IG spreads tightened slightly despite busy issuance. – *John Stavale*

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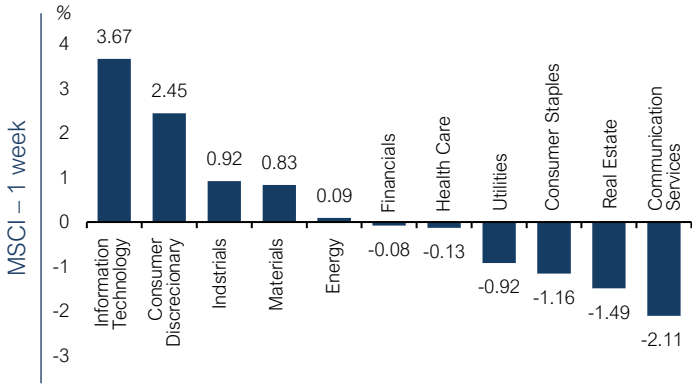

Consumer Staples

Portfolio moves and near-term operational updates: Unilever advanced its portfolio reshaping, agreeing to sell Graze to Katjes and moving forward with the ice-cream separation as Euronext set a €12.80 reference price for Magnum's Amsterdam listing. Nestlé continued its own review, considering options including a sale of Blue Bottle Coffee. Supply risks eased for Diageo's Guinness 0.0 after Unite suspended planned strikes at its Belfast site following an improved pay offer. *– Cristina Lin*

Health Care

Early December saw strong healthcare deal flow. GE HealthCare moved to acquire Intelerad for roughly $2.3B. Protego Biopharma raised a $130M Series B, and Triana Biomedicines secured $120M to advance its ALK-targeted degrader. OTR Therapeutics and SciNeuro added $100M and $58M for CNS and neurodegeneration programs. Angelini Ventures and the EIB launched a €150M co-investment to address Europe's Series B gap. The momentum reflected Q3's 71% rebound in biotech VC funding, while Viatris monetized its remaining Biocon Biologics stake. *– José Lima*

Real Estate

Vonovia rose 0.28% while URW fell 1.80%. AEW UK sold 100,000 treasury shares, signalling continued commitment to UK commercial real estate. In debt markets, Aroundtown issued a £400M 7-year bond and launched an €870M tender for existing notes. Recent data show European real estate funds on track to nearly double inflows to €30B, with Europe's share of global private capital fundraising hitting a 20-year high through September 2025. *– Mafalda Bento*

Financials

The MSCI Europe Financials lagged the broader market as investors grew cautious on rate-sensitive names after a strong YTD rally. The move looked mostly like profit-taking rather than weaker fundamentals, though banks' sharp outperformance has left positioning crowded. A broader risk-off tone in European equities also weighed on cyclicals, while softer rate expectations and lower long-end yields reduced near-term upside for net interest margins, pressuring financials despite a solid long-term outlook. *– Thor Cordeiro*

Industrials

Eurozone manufacturing softened despite a 1.12% sector gain, with PMI falling to a five-month low of 49.6 as orders and exports weakened and firms accelerated job cuts. Among individual moves, Holcim stood out after acquiring three recycling companies, Thames Materials (U.K.), A&S Recycling GmbH (Germany), and an unnamed recycler in France, as part of a broader push into circular construction, reinforcing its pivot towards sustainability and higher-margin recycled materials. Industrial and automaker names such as Schneider Electric, Siemens Energy and Porsche inched higher, showing pockets of resilience despite a soft week for the sector. *– João Pedro Ferreira*

Consumer Discretionary

The sector underwent a seismic shift this week: Netflix struck a cash-and-stock agreement to acquire Warner Bros. Discovery's studios and streaming business for $72 billion (about $82.7 billion enterprise value), but the contest has already re-escalated: Paramount Skydance has since launched a $108.4 billion hostile bid for the full group, re-igniting the takeover battle and putting regulatory scrutiny firmly in focus. Europe offered equally compelling headlines as Inditex surged 8.6%, defying regional gloom with a 10.6% jump in recent sales that underscored the resilience of its fast-fashion model against a sluggish macro backdrop. Broader sentiment was further buoyed by the National Retail Federation's forecast that U.S. holiday spending is on track to surpass $1 trillion for the first time despite inflationary headwinds. *– Pedro Mazzetti*

Information Technology

EU on tighter regulation and funding resilience: The EU issued a landmark €120m DSA fine against X and opened a competition probe into Meta linked to WhatsApp's AI policy. Commercially, HSBC signed a multi-year partnership with France's Mistral AI, alongside its latest model releases, highlighting potential rising adoption of European GenAI providers. Infrastructure resilience importance was reinforced following a Cloudflare outage on 5 December. Funding stayed robust with Brevo raising €500m and ICEYE financing at a ~€2.4bn valuation. *– Raul Vasconcelos*