

# Monday Morning Quarterback

Monday January 28, 2019

## **Coaches Corner**

Last week, the S&P/TSX Composite Index gained 0.41% while the S&P 500 index lost (0.22%). During calendar year 2019 the S&P/TSX Composite has now gained 7.28% while the S&P 500 has gained 6.30%.

On the week the Health Care sector led the way for the S&P/TSX as it gained 5.60%, while the Energy sector was the weakest sector as it fell (3.09%) on the week..

Resource: National Bank

## **MARKET NEWS**

#### Canada

In November, retail sales declined 0.9% m/m in nominal terms (after climbing 0.2% the prior month). This was not surprising given the sharp drop in gasoline prices in the month and the weakness in auto sales. Retail volumes (-0.4%) fell for the fifth time in six months, which might be an indication that Canadian consumers have been stung by higher interest rates. Year on year, nominal retail spending advanced just 0.5%, its third smallest gain since the recession.

#### US

In December, sales of existing homes registered their worst monthly drop in more than three years, plunging 6.4% to 4,990K. The slump was broad based as contract closings tumbled in the two main dwelling categories—singles (-5.5%) and condos (-12.9%, their steepest drop since 2010)—and in all four geographic regions covered. Year on year, sales were down 10.3%, their worst showing since 2011.

World

As expected, the ECB kept its benchmark interest rates unchanged, just as it did for its forward guidance regarding prospects for rate hikes and the reinvestment of principal payments from maturing securities. Resource: National Bank



#### Canada

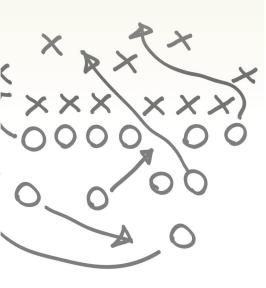
| Overnight      | 1.75% |
|----------------|-------|
| Bank of Canada | 2.00% |
| Prime Rate     | 3.95% |
|                |       |

Next Meeting: March 6, 2019

#### United States

| Fed Fund Rates | 2.50% |
|----------------|-------|
| Discount Rate  | 2.75% |
| Prime Rate     | 5.50% |

Next Meeting: Jan 30, 2019



### MARKET INDICATORS & TRENDS (As at January 25, 2019

|                     | INDEX MTD   |        | YTD       | 2018    | 2017    |  |
|---------------------|-------------|--------|-----------|---------|---------|--|
| S&P/TSX             | 7.28%       | 7.28%  | 15,366.05 | -11.64% | 6.03%   |  |
| S&P 500             | 6.30%       | 6.30%  | 2,664.76  | -6.24%  | 19.42%  |  |
| MSCI EAFE           | 5.45%       | 5.45%  | 1,813.63  | -16.13% | 21.78%  |  |
| MSCI World          | 6.26%       | 6.26%  | 2,001.86  | -10.44% | 20.11%  |  |
|                     |             |        |           |         |         |  |
| CAD                 | \$ 0.7563   | 3.18%  | 3.18%     | -8.04%  | 6.71%   |  |
| Euro                | \$ 1.1413   | -0.42% | -0.42%    | -4.49%  | 13.71%  |  |
| Gold                | \$ 1,304.20 | 2.03%  | 2.03%     | -2.04%  | 13.30%  |  |
| Oil – WTI           | \$ 53.69    | 18.23% | 18.23%    | -24.62% | 12.14%  |  |
| Gas                 | \$ 3.18     | 8.10%  | 8.10%     | -0.20%  | -20.89% |  |
|                     |             |        |           |         |         |  |
| FTSE/TMX CAD Univ   | 1,056.90    | 0.52%  | 0.52%     | 1.41%   | 2.51%   |  |
| FTSE/TMX Short Term | 712.30      | 0.28%  | 0.28%     | 1.91%   | 0.09%   |  |
| FTSE/TMX Mid Term   | 1,147.60    | 0.57%  | 0.57%     | 1.90%   | 0.96%   |  |
| FTSE/TMX Long Term  | 1,723.00    | 0.81%  | 0.81%     | 0.31%   | 7.03%   |  |

## S&P / TSX SECTOR PERFORMANCE (As at January 25, 2019)

| SECTOR                 | MTD    | YTD    |
|------------------------|--------|--------|
| Financials             | 6.92%  | 6.92%  |
| Energy                 | 7.72%  | 7.72%  |
| Materials              | 1.93%  | 1.93%  |
| Industrial             | 8.04%  | 8.04%  |
| Consumer Discretionary | 10.36% | 10.36% |
| Telecom Services       | 3.18%  | 3.18%  |
| Information Technology | 9.01%  | 9.01%  |
| Consumer Staples       | 3.07%  | 3.07%  |
| Utilities              | 5.91%  | 5.91%  |
| Health Care            | 37.32% | 37.32% |

## **GIC RATES—RSP COMPOUNDING**

(As at January 28, 2019)

|                  | 1 YEAR | 3 YEARS | 5 YEARS |
|------------------|--------|---------|---------|
| B2B              | 2.40   | 2.80    | 2.90    |
| Effort Trust     | 2.45   | 2.85    | 3.00    |
| Laurentian Trust | 2.40   | 2.80    | 2.90    |
| Laurentian Bank  | 2.40   | 2.80    | 2.90    |
| Community Trust  | 2.45   | 2.65    | 2.80    |
| Home Trust       | 2.61   | 2.91    | 3.10    |

### SAVINGS ACCOUNTS

(As at January 28, 2019)

|  | FUND CODE    | RATE  |
|--|--------------|-------|
| Equitable Bank*                            | EQB 100 (A)  | 1.60% |
|  | EQB 200 (F)  | 1.85% |
| B2B High Interest Investment Account*      | BTB 100 (A)  | 1.60% |
|  | BTB 101 (F)  | 1.85% |
| ADS Investment Savings Account (Hollis)    | DYN 5000 (A) | 1.60% |
|  | DYN 5004 (F) | 1.85% |
| Manulife Bank Investment Savings Account*  | MIP 510 (A)  | 1.60% |
|  | MIP 610 (F)  | 1.85% |
| Renaissance High Interest Savings Account* | ATL 5000 (A) | 1.60% |
|  | ATL 5001 (F) | 1.85% |

\*Nominee accounts only

## **UPCOMING DATES**

| Jan 30 | US ADP Employment change report     | Jan 31 | CAD GDP Report                             |
|--------|-------------------------------------|--------|--|
| Jan 30 | US MBA Mortgage Applications Report | Feb 1  | US Unemployment Rate Report                |
| Jan 30 | US Personal Consumption Report      | Feb 1  | US University of Michigan Sentiment Report |
| Jan 30 | US FOMC Rate Decision               |        |  |
| Jan 31 | US Personal Income Report           |        |  |
| Jan 31 | US Personal Spending Report         |        |  |
| Jan 31 | US Initial Jobless Claims Report    |        |  |

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