

Weekly Recap

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MarketReturns

INDEX ¹	CLOSE	WEEKLY CHANGE	YTD CHANGE
Dow Jones Industrial Avg.	44,901.92	559.73 / 1.26%	5.54%
S&P 500®	6,388.64	91.85 / 1.46%	8.62%
Nasdaq	21,108.32	212.66 / 1.02%	9.31%
Russell 2000®	2,261.07	21.06 / 0.94%	1.39%

	07/25/25 CLOSE	07/25/24 CLOSE
10-Year U.S. Treasury	4.39%	4.27%

Data: The Wall Street Journal, Federal Reserve

The Bottom Line

The S&P 500® Index and the Nasdaq reached multiple new highs this week on the strength of better-than-expected corporate earnings reports and several completed trade agreements. The S&P 500® (1.46%) led the major indices followed by the Dow Jones Industrial Average (1.26%), the Nasdaq (1.02%) and the Russell 2000® Index (0.94%). The yield on the 10-Year U.S. Treasury Note ended the week at 4.39%, three basis points below last Friday.

Trade agreements dominated investor attention as the White House announced new tariff rates on imports from Indonesia (19%), the Philippines (19%) and Japan (15%). Treasury Secretary Bessent anticipates a deadline extension for China as negotiations continue. Also, President Trump will be meeting this weekend with EU representatives in Scotland; a tariff rate of 15% seems likely. Talks with both Canada and Mexico are ongoing regarding imports not covered under current trade agreements.

Earnings results have thus far exceeded analysts' expectations. Many companies, while acknowledging tariff uncertainties, believe that their impact will be less severe than first anticipated. Also, positive economic data have provided confidence that consumer spending may remain resilient; and, companies are exploring alternatives, such as cost-sharing and changes to supply-chains, to minimize the cost of tariffs.

Alphabet reported better-than-expected earnings on the strength of cloud computing and search even as increased AI spending impacted results. Other companies reporting robust earnings and revenues included Northrop Grumman (defense industry), SAIA (trucking), Deckers (Uggs and HOKA), PACCAR (truck manufacturer), Sonic Automotive (auto dealerships) and Solaris Energy Infrastructure (sand logistics and back-up electrical equipment). Employment data, including initial jobless claims (217,000) and continuing claims (1.955 million) were each modestly better-than-anticipated.

The trade agreements and better-than-feared earnings results have buoyed market sentiment. Looking ahead, next week's updates on inflation and interest rates (following the Federal Reserve's meeting) may, along with possible tariff surprises and other geopolitical issues, impact market momentum.

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