

# Market Review

March 17, 2010

INDEX	CLOSE	NET CHANGE	DAILY % CHANGE	WEEKLY % CHANGE	% YTD	% LAST 12 MONTHS
Dow Jones Industrial Average	10,733.67	47.69	0.45%	1.57%	2.93%	45.13%
S&P 500 Index	1,166.21	6.75	0.58%	1.80%	4.58%	49.88%
Nasdaq Composite Index	2,389.09	11.08	0.47%	1.28%	5.29%	63.40%
S&P/TSX Composite Index	12,100.66	11.26	0.09%	1.17%	3.02%	41.37%
FTSE 100 (UK)	5,644.63	24.20	0.43%	0.07%	4.28%	46.34%
DAX (Germany)	6,024.28	53.29	0.89%	1.47%	1.12%	51.07%
NIKKEI 225 (Japan)	10,846.98	125.27	1.17%	2.68%	2.85%	36.45%
HANG SENG (Hong-Kong)	21,384.49	361.56	1.72%	0.83%	-2.23%	66.05%

## MARKET REVIEW

### FED signaled the recovery isn't strong enough to justify an end to record-low interest rates.

Stocks rose, sending the Dow Jones Industrial Average to a 17-month high, and commodities rallied as U.S. producer prices fell and Federal Reserve officials signaled the U.S. recovery isn't strong enough to stoke inflation, reduce unemployment quickly or justify an end to record-low interest rates. The Dow Jones Industrials Average advanced 47.69 points, or 0.45%, to 10733.67. The S&P 500 Composite rose 6.75 points, or 0.58%, to 1166.21. The Nasdaq Composite increased 11.08 points, or 0.47%, to 2389.09.

Wholesale prices in the U.S. fell in February more than anticipated, led by a drop in fuel costs and signaling there are few inflation pressures building in the early stages of the economic recovery. The 0.6% decrease in prices paid to factories, farmers and other producers was the biggest since July and followed a 1.4% January increase. Excluding food and fuel, so-called core prices climbed 0.1%.

Canadian stocks gained for a second day, led by energy producers, as oil climbed. Suncor Energy Inc., the country's largest oil and gas company, rose as crude advanced to its highest closing price in two months. EnCana Corp., the country's largest natural gas producer, lost almost 3% after three analyst downgrades. The S&P/TSX Composite gained 11.26 points, or 0.09%, to 12100.66. Crude prices advanced \$1.23 to \$82.93/barrel. Gold retreated \$8.00 to \$1119.70/ounce.

Canadian wholesale sales rose at the fastest pace in three years in January, as automobiles led gains in every major category tracked by the government's statistics agency. Sales advanced 3% to C\$44.4 billion. Economists expected a 0.5% increase. The agency revised its December estimate to a 0.9 percent gain from the originally reported 0.7 percent rise.

MOST ACTIVE BY VOLUME IN S&P/TSX	LAST PRICE	VAR DAY \$	VOLUME
Uranium One Inc (UUU)	\$2.79	-\$0.03	7,276,104
Suncor Energy Inc (SU)	\$32.10	\$0.74	6,484,114
EnCana Corp (ECA)	\$32.62	-\$0.97	5,406,027
Barrick Gold Corp (ABX)	\$40.61	-\$0.03	3,784,641
Manulife Financial Corp (MFC)	\$20.76	\$0.14	3,512,904

MOST ACTIVE BY VOLUME IN S&P 500	LAST PRICE	VAR DAY \$	VOLUME
Citigroup Inc (C)	\$4.05	\$0.00	65,608,700
General Electric Co (GE)	\$18.04	-\$0.03	28,663,800
Intel Corp (INTC)	\$22.24	\$0.24	21,995,265
Ford Motor Co (F)	\$14.11	\$0.62	17,414,400
Bank of America Corp (BAC)	\$17.27	\$0.24	16,067,400

S&P/TSX INDUSTRY GROUP	DAILY % CHANGE	YTD
ENERGY	0.52%	-2.36%
MATERIALS	-0.27%	3.55%
INDUSTRIALS	0.19%	3.09%
CONSUMER DISCRETIONARY	-0.08%	5.32%
CONSUMER STAPLES	0.06%	-0.04%
HEALTH CARE	1.43%	6.28%
FINANCIALS	-0.02%	6.63%
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	-0.99%	6.20%
TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES	0.48%	5.68%
UTILITIES	0.46%	3.63%

INTEREST RATES	LAST YIELD	PREVIOUS
CAN GOVT 2 YR	1.59%	1.55%
CAN GOVT 5 YR	2.79%	2.77%
CAN GOVT 7 YR	2.98%	2.96%
CAN GOVT 10 YR	3.47%	3.45%
CAN GOVT 30 YR	4.04%	4.02%

CURRENCIES & COMMODITIES	LAST PRICE	PREVIOUS	1 YEAR AGO
OIL WTI (\$/BARREL)	\$82.93	\$81.70	\$49.16
GOLD SPOT (\$/OZ)	\$1,119.70	\$1,127.70	\$915.40
CAD per USD	1.0102	1.0141	1.2701
CAD per EURO	1.3879	1.3960	1.6531
USD per EURO	1.3738	1.3766	1.3017
YEN per USD	90.270	90.310	98.600

Source: Bloomberg



1) National Bank Financial is an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of National Bank of Canada.

2) National Bank of Canada is a public company listed on Canadian stock exchanges.

3) National Bank Financial may act as financial advisor, fiscal agent or underwriter for certain companies mentioned herein and may receive remuneration for its services. 4) National Bank Financial and/or its officers, directors, representatives or associates may have a position in the securities mentioned herein and may make purchases and/or sales of these securities from time to time in the open market or otherwise. 5) The information contained herein was obtained from sources which we believe to be reliable, however we cannot represent that it is accurate or complete. 6) This is not a recommendation for any security or investment sector as it may not be suitable for all types of investors. Please contact your investment advisor before purchase to discuss your investor profile and to further discuss these risk factors.