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# Weekly Market Recap

November <u>14, 2011</u>

## **Headlines**

- · Lucas Papademos named next PM of Greece.
- Italian government passed new austerity package, PM Berlusconi resigned.

### **Economic News**

- The trade deficit fell to -\$43.1bn in September.
- Jobless claims fell to 390,000.
- · Consumer credit grew more than expected.
- Next Week: Retail Sales, PPI, CPI, Business Inventories, Housing Starts.

# Thought of the Week

Following the formation of the European Monetary Union (EMU), member nations enjoyed a prolonged period of relative prosperity and noticeably lower borrowing costs. Today, the honeymoon is over, and fears of sovereign default have caused rates to rise dramatically. In our view, any long-term solution for Europe will need to include: 1) Credible long-term plans for tax and spending reform to achieve budget balance long-term; 2) Fiscal transfers from "strong Europe" to "weak Europe" to allow for growth; 3) Guarantees by European governments that investors in sovereign debt will be paid in full and on-time; 4) Commitment by ECB to buy peripheral debt in whatever quantities necessary to keep yields manageable. Confidence needs to be restored, and soon.

### Ouestion of the week:

What is the Euro zone's expected real GDP growth rate in 2012?

# Prior week's question:

According to the October employment report, how much did household employment increase in October?

# Answer to prior week's question:

Household employment increased 277,000 in October 2011.

	Friday Close	Prior Week	Year End	Year Ago
Index Levels	11/11/11	11/4/11	12/31/10	11/11/10
Dow Jones 30	12,154	11,983	11,578	11,283
S&P 500	1,264	1,253	1,258	1,214
Nasdaq	2,679	2,686	2,653	2,556
Russell 2000	745	746	784	732
Bond Rates				
Fed Funds Target	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25
2 Year Treasury	0.23	0.23	0.60	0.43
10 Year Treasury	2.06	2.05	3.30	2.66
10 Year Municipal	2.87	2.92	3.75	3.11
High Yield	8.50	8.27	7.51	7.12

	1 week		YTD	
Market Returns	Local	USD	Local	USD
S&P 500	0.94	0.94	2.28	2.28
MSCI - EAFE	-0.32	-0.22	-11.54	-8.93
United Kingdom	0.37	0.71	-2.61	0.01
Europe ex-UK	0.72	0.34	-12.68	-10.60
Japan	-3.12	-1.72	-18.43	-14.16
Asia ex-Japan	-1.75	-2.57	-10.36	-11.30

#### Close Week End Ago 12/31/10 11/11/10 **Consumer Rates** 11/11/11 11/4/11 6 Month CD 0.50 0.51 0.410.35 30 Year Mortgage 4.22 4.31 4.82 4.28 Prime Rate 3.25 3.25 3.25 3.25 Commodities Gold 1773.00 1749.00 1405.50 1398.50 98.99 Crude Oil 94.07 89.84 87.81 3.42 3.05 2.87 Gasoline 3.45 Currency \$ per € 1.37 1.34 1.37 1.38 1.57 \$ per £ 1.61 1.60 1.62 77.07 ¥ per \$ 78.18 81.11 82.48

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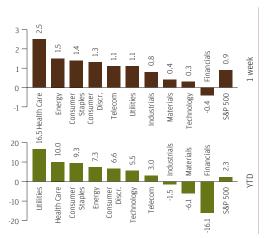
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P/E Forward	P/E Trailing	Dividend Yield	Wtd Avg Mkt Cap (billions)
12.08	14.86	2.16	91.59
10.96	13.01	2.58	70.63
13.84	16.20	1.58	92.00
17.21	22.12	1.45	1.23
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### S&P 500 Sector Returns

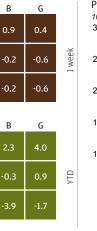


# Style Returns Chart of the Week

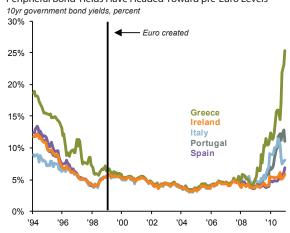
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# Peripheral Bond Yields Have Headed Toward pre-Euro Levels



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Chart of the Week: Source: FactSet, J.P. Morgan Asset Management.

Thought of the Week: Source: J.P. Morgan Asset Management.

Question of the Week: Source: BLS, J.P. Morgan Asset Management.

Market Returns: All data represents total return including the reinvestment of dividends for stated period. Index: MSCI - EAFE; provided by: MSCI - gross official pricing. Index: UK; provided by: MSCI - gross official pricing. Index: Europe ex-UK; provided by: MSCI - gross official pricing. Index: Japan; provided by: MSCI - gross official pricing. Index: S&P 500 Index; provided by: IDC.

(MSCI EAFE is a Morgan Stanley Capital International Index that is designed to measure the performance of the developed stock markets of Europe, Australia, and the Far East).

Dow Jones-UBS Commodity Index (DJ-UBSCI) is a broadly diversified index composed of futures contracts on physical commodities. The index is designed to minimize concentration in any one commodity or sector. It includes 19 commodity futures in five groups.

Bond Rates: Fed Funds Target, EcoWin; 2 Year Treasury, IDC; 10 Year Treasury, IDC; 10 Year Muni, Barclays Capital; High Yield, Barclays Capital High-yield Index.

Consumer Rates: 6 Month CD, Federal Reserve; 30 Year Mortgage, Mortgage Bankers Association (MBA); Prime Rate: Federal Reserve.

Commodities: Gold, EcoWin; Crude Oil (WTI), EcoWin; Gasoline, EcoWin.

Currency: Dollar per Pound, IDC; Dollar per Euro, IDC; Yen per Dollar, IDC.

Index Price Levels: Reflects closing price level for each index as of stated date. Dow Jones Industrial 30 (The Dow Jones is a price-weighted index composing of 30 widely-traded blue chip stocks.): IDC, S&P 500 Index (The S&P 500 Index is widely regarded as the best single gauge of the U.S. equities market, this world-renowned index includes a representative sample of 500 leading companies in leading industries of the U.S. economy. Although the S&P 500 focuses on the large-cap segment of the market, with approximately 75% coverage of U.S. equities, it is also an ideal proxy for the total market.): IDC, NASDAQ Composite Index (The NASDAQ Index is a market-value weighted index of all common stocks listed on the NASDAQ stock exchange.): IDC, Russell 2000 Index: IDC. Indexes are not available for direct investment.

S&P Index Characteristics: Trailing P/E price is provided by Factset Pricing database while trailing earnings is provided by Compustat. Dividend Yield provided by FactSet Pricing database. Fwd. P/E is a bottom-up weighted Harmonic average using First Call Mean estimates for the "Next 12 Months" (NTM) period. Marketcap is a bottom-up weighted average based on share information from Compustat and Price information from FactSet's Pricing database as provided by Standard & Poor's.

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Sector Returns: Sectors are based on the GICS Classification model. Return data are calculated by FactSet using constituents and weights as provided by Standard & Poor's. Returns are cumulative total return for stated period, including reinvestment of dividends.

Style Returns: Style box returns based on Russell Indexes with the exception of the Large-Cap Blend box, which reflects the S&P 500 Index. All values are cumulative total return for stated period including the

reinvestment of dividends. The Index used from L to R, top to bottom are: S&P 500 Index (Index represents the 500 Large Cap portion of the stock market, and is comprised of 500 stocks as selected by the S&P Index Committee), Russell 1000 Value Index (Measures the performance of those Russell 1000 companies with lower price-to-book ratios and lower forecasted growth values), Russell 1000 Growth Index (Measures the performance of those Russell 1000 companies with higher price-to-book ratios and higher forecasted growth values), Russell Mid Cap Value Index (Measures the performance of those Russell Mid Cap companies with lower price-to-book ratios and lower forecasted growth values), Russell Mid Cap Index (The Russell Midcap Index includes the smallest 800 securities in the Russell 1000), Russell Mid Cap Growth Index (Measures the performance of those Russell Mid Cap companies with higher price-to-book ratios and higher forecasted growth values), Russell 2000 Value Index (Measures the performance of those Russell 2000 Index (The Russell 2000 includes the smallest 2000 securities in the Russell 3000), Russell 2000 Growth Index (Measures the performance of those Russell 2000 companies with higher price-to-book ratios and higher forecasted growth values).

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