

Key weekly points:

December 8, 2025

- U.S. Labor data were mixed: weekly jobless claims fell sharply, ADP private payrolls unexpectedly declined, and Challenger layoffs rose to the highest annual total since 2020.
- U.S. Service-sector activity showed resilience as the ISM services index surprised to the upside at 52.6, while industrial production rose modestly and factory orders were slightly soft.
- Inflation data showed headline personal consumption expenditures ticking higher YoY, while core inflation edged down, reinforcing expectations for near-term policy easing.
- December Fed meeting (Dec 10-11) is the key near-term event. The odds of a cut have swung sharply in the past weeks and the focus will also be on the updated SEP (Summary of Economic Projections), and any dissents signaling post-Powell dynamics.
- Energy sector was strong (up 1.4% week) as WTI crude rebounded; crude settled +1.2% Thursday after earlier volatility tied to Ukraine headlines
- Key upcoming catalysts into year-end/2026: Nov NFP (Dec 16, exp. only +38k jobs), potential Santa Claus rally (73% historical probability), ongoing AI/semiconductor events - Broadcom(AVGO) earnings are due this week.
- US equities closed higher for the week, with the S&P 500 up 0.35% on Friday (YTD +17%), NASDAQ +0.94% on the week (YTD 23%), and Russell 2000 strongly outperforming (+0.87% on the week, 14% for the year).
- Small-caps, cyclical, energy, industrials, and select retail/apparel names led; breadth improved markedly, momentum factor revived, and micro/company-specific news dominated over top down macro news.
- NVIDIA (NVDA) shares weakened on reports that Alphabet(GOOG) is expanding its custom AI (Artificial Intelligence) chip strategy, raising concerns about potential long-term revenue pressure.
- U.S. Treasury yields rose on the week as labor market data came stronger than expected, even though the 10-year briefly dipped below 4% mid-week. International bond market were also under pressure led by Japan bonds reaching fresh highs.
- Interest rate futures markets are pricing a high probability (near 90%) of a 25-basis-point Federal Reserve rate cut at the December meeting next week. However, the bar for additional cuts in 2026 will be high as inflation will have to show consistent progress toward the target goal.
- Credit markets remained active, with over \$26 billion issued in U.S. investment-grade debt for the week, while high-yield sentiment improved due to risk-on sentiment. The riskiest segment still remains under pressure and has lagged throughout the year.
- In EM, Honduras presidential elections took place and potential winners are Asfura or Nasralla, who belong to right wing parties. However, the official count has not ended yet and uncertainty remains.

Global Equity Markets

Major Equity Indexes

United States	Value	WTD	MTD	YTD
S&P 500	6,870.4	0.31%	0.31%	16.81%
Dow Jones	47,955.0	0.50%	0.50%	12.72%
Nasdaq	23,578.1	0.91%	0.91%	22.10%
Russell 2000 (US Small Cap)	2,521.5	0.84%	0.84%	13.06%
Europe	Value	WTD	MTD	YTD
Euro Stoxx (Euro)	5,723.9	0.98%	0.98%	16.91%
FTSE 100 (UK)	9,667.0	-0.55%	-0.55%	18.28%
CAC 40 (France)	8,114.7	-0.10%	-0.10%	9.94%
DAX (Germany)	24,028.1	0.80%	0.80%	20.69%
Ibex 35 (Spain)	16,688.5	1.94%	1.94%	43.93%
Asia	Value	WTD	MTD	YTD
Nikkei (Japan)	50,491.9	0.47%	0.47%	26.56%
Hang Seng (Hong Kong)	26,085.1	0.87%	0.87%	30.04%
CSI 300 (China)	4,584.5	1.28%	1.28%	16.51%
Latam	Value	WTD	MTD	YTD
Brazil Bovespa	157,369.4	-1.07%	-1.07%	30.83%
Mexico	63,378.3	-0.34%	-0.34%	28.00%
Volatility	Value	7d	30d	Start of Year
VIX	15.4	16.4	18.0	17.9

Commodities

	Value	WTD	MTD	YTD
Oil (WTI)	60.1	2.61%	2.61%	-16.23%
Gold (Spot - USD/Oz)	4,197.8	-0.98%	-0.98%	59.95%
Silver (Spot - USD/Oz)	59.1	3.31%	3.31%	90.71%
Copper (USD/MT)	11,620.5	3.86%	3.86%	32.53%
Zinc (USD/MT)	3,098.0	1.39%	1.39%	4.01%
Bitcoin	89,203.5	-1.88%	-2.16%	-4.81%

Global Fixed Income Markets

Government Bonds Yields

United States	Value	7d	30d	Start of Year
FED Rate (Effective Rate)	3.87	3.89	3.87	4.33
US Treasury 2y	3.56	3.49	3.63	4.24
US Treasury 10y	4.14	4.01	4.16	4.56
International	Value	7d	30d	Start of Year
Germany 10y	2.80	2.69	2.67	2.38
France 10y	3.52	3.41	3.46	3.23
UK 10y	4.48	4.44	4.46	4.59
LatAm (USD)	Value	7d	30d	Start of Year
Brazil 10y	6.20	6.14	6.16	7.15
Mexico 10y	5.76	5.60	5.70	6.68
Colombia 10y	6.97	6.90	6.82	7.72
Dom Rep 10y	5.95	5.98	5.95	6.66
Panama 10y	5.79	5.89	5.87	7.71
Salvador 10y	7.20	7.18	7.14	8.05
Corporate Spreads	Value	7d	30d	Start of Year
US Investment Grade (IG)	0.77	0.80	0.80	0.80
US High Yield (HY)	2.64	2.69	2.87	2.82
EM Latam	2.58	2.72	2.63	3.30
CDX EM*	98.60	98.41	98.36	97.03

Foreign Exchange Markets

	Value	WTD	MTD	YTD
Dollar Index (DXY)	98.99	-0.47%	-0.47%	-8.75%
Euro	1.16	0.38%	0.38%	12.44%
UK Pound	1.33	0.70%	0.70%	6.49%
Brazilian Real	5.45	-2.08%	-2.08%	13.27%
Mexican Peso	18.17	0.68%	0.68%	14.62%
Colombian Peso	3842.61	-2.28%	-2.28%	14.66%
Chilean Peso	923.66	0.49%	0.49%	7.94%
Dominican Peso	64.35	-1.82%	-1.82%	-5.05%
Costa Rican Colon	490.00	0.59%	0.59%	4.19%

Source: Bloomberg. As of December 05, 2025. *Markit CDX Emerging Markets Index is quoted in price.

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