

Global equities led lower by Tech stocks

Snapshot



Sovereign Bonds

Corporate Bonds

Oil

Copper

Gold



World Equities

Global equities were mixed last week, with technology stocks once again weighing on the global index. Value stocks and small caps outperformed in the U.S., as some investors continue to rotate out of the market leaders of recent months. The week started brightly on positive vaccine news set an optimistic tone, however worries about the Fed's ability to continue to support equity markets grew as the week progressed, even as the Fed signalled that it is likely to keep interest rates on hold through to 2023. That news was welcomed as the latest data confirmed that the G20 GDP for Q2 came in at -6.9% for the quarter – the worst on record. China was the only major global economy to grow in Q2, and those gains have been extended in recent weeks. Flash September PMIs across the globe on Wednesday will give a further indication of how Q3 is progressing. Data in general disappointed last week, as U.S. retail sales and industrial production came in below expectations. Whilst some details under the surface were more positive, the initial data rebound from the depths of the recession is starting to level out. On the virus front, the WHO warned over the weekend that Europe was facing a 'very serious' situation as the number of weekly new cases in Europe hit over 300,000 for the first time. Whilst a return to wider restrictions has so far been resisted, there are discussions regarding the reintroduction of a lockdown in a number of major European cities, similar to what we are now seeing ourselves here in Dublin.

The week ahead

22
Sep

The latest eurozone consumer confidence figures are released.

23
Sep

Flash PMIs for the U.S., eurozone, and U.K. go to market.

25
Sep

US durable goods orders for August go to print.

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	1 Week Return 14.09.20 to 21.09.20		Year to Date Return 01.01.20 to 21.09.20	
	Local Currency	Euro	Local Currency	Euro
World	-1.2%	-1.1%	0.4%	-5.0%
U.S.	-1.8%	-1.7%	4.3%	-1.4%
Europe	-0.1%	-0.1%	-7.3%	-7.3%
Ireland	2.4%	2.4%	-2.7%	-2.7%
U.K.	-0.4%	0.5%	-21.7%	-27.6%
Japan	-0.6%	0.8%	-4.2%	-5.6%
Hong Kong	-0.3%	-0.2%	-7.7%	-12.3%
Corporate Bonds	0.1%	0.1%	1.0%	1.0%
Sovereign Bonds	0.4%	0.4%	4.9%	4.9%

Equities

- Global markets were down last week by -1.1% in euro terms and -1.2% in local terms.
- Year to date the U.K. market is down -27.6% in euro terms and -21.7% in local terms.
- The influential U.S. Market led global markets down this week by -1.8% in local terms and -1.7% in Euro terms.

Fixed Income & FX

- The U.S. 10-year yield finished at 0.69% last week. The German equivalent remained at -0.49%. The Irish 10 year bond yield finished at -0.13%.
- The Euro/U.S. Dollar exchange rate finished at 1.19, whilst Euro/GBP finished at 0.92.

Commodities

- Oil finished the week at \$41 per barrel.
- Gold finished the week at \$1,953 per troy ounce up 28.7% year to date in local terms and 21.6% year to date in Euro terms.
- Copper finished the week at \$6,853 per tonne.

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