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Global Overview
• US equities ended the week higher ahead of Presidents' Day, recording
their best weekly gains in over two years, with the S&P 500 at +4.3%, the
Dow Jones at +4.3%, the Nasdaq at +5.3% and the Russell 2000 at +4.4%.
Rally in equities was led by tech and bank shares amid lower volatility and
trading volumes as investors digested US macro data which included rising
inflation and disappointing retail sales. The White House released its
infrastructure plan earlier in the week which is expected to stimulate USD
1.5 trillion in spending over ten years

Global Overview

- 2-year and 10-year yields were higher as US Treasuries sold off on higher-than-expected US core CPI which reinforced expectations of a Fed rate hike in March 2018 despite softer retail sales. US Dollar Index weakened on negative sentiment from US economy overheating concerns as inflation and interest rates rise in addition to fiscal deficit worries. Gold traded higher on US dollar weakness and safe-haven demand despite weaker physical demand from Asia
- WTI crude oil closed higher following lower-than-expected build in US crude inventories. Recovery in oil prices was also supported by weaker US dollar, rebound in global equities and short-covering. In their monthly reports, OPEC pointed out to higher oil demand in 2018 while IEA indicated that oil supply is likely to outgrow demand this year.
- European equities closed higher with the Stoxx 600 at +3.3% driven by global rally, favorable European Q4/17 corporate earnings and better-than-expected macro data despite stronger EUR/USD. UK equities closed higher with the FTSE 100 at +2.9% also supported by global rally while GBP/USD strengthened. UK retail sales came in weaker-than-expected raising concerns over consumer spending's capacity to drive economic growth in 2018 amid rising inflation
- Japanese equities closed higher with the Nikkei 225 at +1.6% although USD/JPY weakened to a 15-month low. GDP rose in Q4/17 posting its longest streak since 1989, helped by consumer spending which could support inflation towards BoJ's 2% target and lead the central bank to scale back its ultra-loose monetary policy. BoJ Kuroda was reappointed as BoJ chief for another five-year term starting April
- Chinese equities closed higher with the Shanghai Composite at +2.2% ahead of Lunar New Year week-long holiday. Chinese markets will be closed from February 15 to February 21
- MENA equities ended the week higher with the S&P Pan Arab at +1.1% mainly driven by gains in Saudi equities which were supported by stronger oil

Previous \	Week Macro Data	Actual	Cons.	Date
UK Core C	PI (YoY) (Jan)	2.7%	2.6%	20-Feb
US NFIB bi	usiness optimism index (Jan)	106.9	106.2	20-Feb
JPY GDP (C	JPY GDP (Q4)		0.9%	21-Feb
CNY FDI (Y	TD) (YoY) (Jan)	0.3%	-	21-Feb
EU GDP (Y	oY) (Q4)	2.7%	2.7%	21-Feb
EU Industrial production (YoY) (Dec)		5.2%	4.2%	21-Feb
US Retail sales (MoM) (Jan)		-0.3%	0.2%	21-Feb
US Core CPI (YoY) (Jan)		1.8%	1.7%	22-Feb
US Business inventories (Dec)		0.4%	0.3%	22-Feb
US EIA crude oil stocks change (Feb 9)		1.8M	2.8M	22-Feb
JPY Industrial production (YoY) (Dec)		4.4%	3.9%	23-Feb
US Initial j	obless claims (Feb 9)	230K	230K	23-Feb
US Industr	ial production (MoM) (Jan)	-0.1%	0.2%	
UK Retail s	sales (YoY) (Jan)	1.6%	2.6%	Date
US Housin	g starts (MoM) (Jan)	1.33M	1.23M	19-Feb
US Michig	an consumer sentiment index (Feb)	99.9	95.5	20-Feb
US Baker I	Hughes oil rig count	798	-	21 Fab
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Date	Upcoming Week Key Earnings			22-Feb

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)	19-Feb	Toyota, Rosneft, Reckitt Benckiser, Gazprom
6	20-Feb	Wal-Mart, Home Depot, HSBC, BHP Billiton, Medtronic, HDFC, Duke Energy, Ecolab, Public Storage, ICICI Bank, Concho Resources
9	21-Feb	Lloyds, Glencore, Southern, Novatek, Energy Transfer, DISH Network, Continental Resources
í	22-Feb	BAT, Axa, Telefonica, Barclays, Orange, Intuit, CIBC, HP, HPE, PPL, Newmont Mining
	23-Feb	Berkshire Hathaway, RBC, RBS, Public Service Enterprise

20-гер	EO ZEW- economic sentiment (Feb)	20.4	31.0				
20-Feb	EU Consumer confidence (Feb)	1.0	1.3				
21-Feb	JPY Nikkei manufacturing PMI (Feb)	-	54.8				
21-Feb	EU Markit PMI composite (Feb)	58.5	58.8				
21-Feb	UK ILO unemployment rate (3M) (Dec)	4.3%	4.3%				
21-Feb	US Markit PMI composite (Feb)	-	53.8				
21-Feb	US Existing home sales (MoM) (Jan)	5.61M	5.57M				
22-Feb	UK GDP (YoY) (Q4)	1.5%	1.5%				
22-Feb	US Initial jobless claims (Feb 16)	230K	230K				
22-Feb	US EIA crude oil stocks change (Feb 16)	-	1.8M				
23-Feb	EU Core CPI (YoY) (Jan)	1.0%	1.0%				
23-Feb	US Baker Hughes oil rig count	-	798				
Date	Upcoming Policy & Related Events						
19-Feb	EU Eurogroup meeting, UK BoE Carney, EU ECI	3 Cœuré					
20-Feb	EU EcoFin meeting, EU ECB Constâncio						
21-Feb	EU ECB non-monetary policy, UK BoE Inflation report hearings, US Fed Harker & Kashkari, US FOMC minutes						
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22-Feb	* * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *	•					
	Fed Harker & Kashkari, US FOMC minutes US Fed Kashkari, Quarles, Dudley & Bostic, EU	ECB monetary	y policy				

Upcoming Week Macro Data

EU ZEW- economic sentiment (Feb)

Equities	Value	1 Day %	1 Week %	YTD %	P/E	Div. Yld. %
S&P 500	2,732.22	0.04	4.30	2.19	21.75	1.95
Dow Jones	25,219.38	0.08	▲ 4.25	▲ 2.02	20.33	2.23
NASDAQ	7,239.47	-0.23	▲ 5.31	▲ 4.87	20.88	1.07
Russell 2000	1,543.55	0.41	▲ 4.45	▲ 0.52	21.72	1.17
STOXX 600	380.62	1.09	▲ 3.26	▼ -2.16	17.16	3.58
FTSE 100	7,294.70	0.83	▲ 2.85	▼ -5.22	18.84	4.32
Nikkei 225	21,720.25	1.19	▲ 1.58	▼ -2.70	16.00	1.79
Shanghai Comp.	3,199.16	0.44	▲ 2.21	▼ -3.27	15.44	2.25
S&P Pan Arab	712.68	0.67	1.07	▲ 3.90	13.53	3.84
MSCI ACWI	2,075.67	0.83	▲ 4.18	1.21	17.16	3.29
MSCI EM	1,199.73	-0.24	▲ 4.98	▲ 3.56	15.79	2.66

Rates	Value	1 Week %	YTD %	Yield %
Treasuries 2-Yr	99.64	▼ -0.22	▼ -0.34	2.19
Treasuries 10-Yr	98.91	▼ -0.20	▼ -0.39	2.88
Treasuries 30-Yr	97.45	▲ 0.56	▼ -1.27	3.13
Gilts 10-Yr	124.14	▼ -0.13	▼ -3.46	1.58
Bunds 10-Yr	98.04	▲ 0.37	▼ -1.67	0.70
French 10-Yr	98.05	▲ 0.32	▼ -1.66	0.95
Italian 10-Yr	100.67	▲ 0.52	▲ 0.20	1.98
Spanish 10-Yr	99.95	▲ 0.16	▲ 0.94	1.46
JGBs 10-Yr	96.10	▼ -1.29	▼ -1.32	4.24

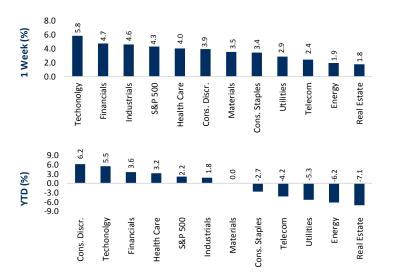
Commodities	Value	1 Week %	YTD %
Oil-Brent	64.84	▲ 3.26	▼ -3.04
Oil-WTI	61.68	4.19	▲ 2.09
Natural Gas	2.56	▼ -1.01	▼-13.38
Gold	1,356.20	▲ 3.08	▲ 3.58
Silver	16.71	▲ 3.55	▼ -2.53
Copper	326.85	▲ 7.06	▼ -0.97
S&P GSCI	443.59	▲ 3.52	▲ 0.26

Value	1 Week %	YTD %	Yield %
489.63	1.01	▲ 1.01	1.86
248.85	▼ -0.12	▼ -1.71	2.84
1,309.74	▲ 0.93	▼ -0.01	5.60
51.38	▼ -14.81	4.82	NA
105.08	▲ 0.27	▼ -0.27	NA
99.12	1.08	▲ 0.01	NA
117.32	▼ -4.70	▲ 8.11	NA
16.69	▼ -15.15	▲ 33.34	NA
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Volatility	Value	1 Week %	YTD %
S&P 500 VIX	19.46	▼ -33.04	▲ 76.27
Stoxx 50 VIX	17.76	▼ -48.87	▲ 31.45
EM VIX	23.11	▼ -27.60	▲ 42.22
Interest rate VIX	76.31	▼ -2.74	▲ 16.72
Deutsche Bank FX VIX	8.46	▼ -1.74	▲ 38.24
Crude Oil VIX	26.86	▼ -10.88	▲ 37.67

Currencies	Value	1 Week %	YTD %
EUR-USD	1.2406	▲ 1.26	▲ 3.34
GBP-USD	1.4026	▲ 1.44	▲ 3.80
JSD-JPY	106.2100	▼ -2.38	▼ -5.75
JSD-CNY	6.3415	▲ 0.61	▼ -2.54
JSD-CHF	0.9270	▼ -1.24	▼ -4.85
AUD-USD	0.7905	▲ 1.18	▲ 1.23
JSD-CAD	1.2558	▼ -0.18	▼ -0.10
JSD-SEK	7.9688	▼ -1.38	▼ -2.62
DXY Index	89.1000	▼ -1.48	▼ -3.28

S&P 500 Sector



Investment Style

		Value	Blend	Growth
%	Large	3.6	4.3	4.9
1 Week (%)	Mid	4.1	4.4	4.6
1 \	Small	4.3	4.3	4.4

		Value	Blend	Growth	
(%	Large	-0.3	2.2	4.5	
ΔŢ	Mid	-1.8	0.0	1.8	
	Small	-0.3	0.6	1.5	

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