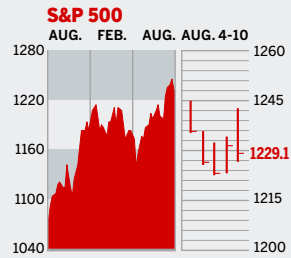


# Personal Business Figures of the Week

## STOCKS



### COMMENTARY

Oil trumped the Fed in setting the tone in the markets. After a quarter-point hike in the Fed funds rate on Aug. 9, stocks rose and seemed poised to erase earlier declines. Then crude hit \$65 a barrel on Aug. 10, and stock investors headed for the exit. Meanwhile, Cisco Systems fell 6.9% on Aug. 10 after giving a cautious outlook for the next quarter. Earnings at AIG were a pleasant surprise.

Data: Bloomberg Financial Markets, Reuters

## U.S. MARKETS

	AUG. 10	WEEK	% CHANGE YEAR TO DATE	% CHANGE LAST 12 MONTHS
S&P 500	1229.1	-1.3	1.4	13.9
Dow Jones Industrials	10,594.4	-1.0	-1.7	6.5
NASDAQ Composite	2157.8	-2.7	-0.8	19.3
S&P MidCap 400	708.2	-2.1	6.8	26.2
S&P SmallCap 600	346.1	-2.7	5.3	28.4
DJ Wilshire 5000	12,241.0	-1.6	2.4	16.9

## SECTORS

	AUG. 10	WEEK	% CHANGE YEAR TO DATE	% CHANGE LAST 12 MONTHS
BusinessWeek 50*	737.8	-0.6	4.7	19.6
BW Info Tech 100**	371.0	-1.1	-0.6	17.1
S&P/BARRA Growth	589.2	-1.4	1.2	11.7
S&P/BARRA Value	635.6	-1.2	1.6	16.1
S&P Energy	377.3	2.0	30.7	50.3
S&P Financials	397.7	-1.8	-3.3	7.1
S&P REIT	148.5	-7.5	2.8	22.9
S&P Transportation	221.9	-1.2	-8.1	13.4
S&P Utilities	159.8	-3.6	12.8	29.2
GSTI Internet	175.1	-2.5	-1.8	35.1
PSE Technology	793.6	-2.3	1.9	23.5

\*Mar. 19, 1999=1000 \*\*Feb. 7, 2000=1000

## GLOBAL MARKETS

	AUG. 10	WEEK	% CHANGE YEAR TO DATE	% CHANGE LAST 12 MONTHS
S&P Euro Plus (U.S. Dollar)	1458.4	0.9	4.4	29.3
London (FT-SE 100)	5377.5	0.8	11.7	23.6
Paris (CAC 40)	4527.1	0.7	18.5	28.1
Frankfurt (DAX)	4990.6	1.4	17.3	34.1
Tokyo (NIKKEI 225)	12,098.1	1.0	5.3	10.4
Hong Kong (Hang Seng)	15,346.4	1.5	7.8	23.7
Toronto (S&P/TSX Composite)	10,671.4	0.7	15.4	29.6
Mexico City (IPC)	14,702.6	0.6	13.8	48.3

## FUNDAMENTALS

	AUG. 9	WEEK AGO	YEAR AGO
S&P 500 Dividend Yield	2.00%	1.97%	1.73%
S&P 500 P/E Ratio (Trailing 12 mos.)	19.4	19.5	19.2
S&P 500 P/E Ratio (Next 12 mos.)*	15.5	15.6	15.8
First Call Earnings Revision*	0.22%	0.59%	-0.03%

\*First Call Corp.

## TECHNICAL INDICATORS

	AUG. 9	WEEK AGO	READING
S&P 500 200-day average	1189.8	1186.6	Positive
Stocks above 200-day average	66.0%	71.0%	Neutral
Options: Put/call ratio	0.77	0.74	Positive
Insiders: Vickers NYSE Sell/buy ratio	5.90	5.40	Negative

## BEST-PERFORMING GROUPS

	LAST MONTH %	LAST 12 MONTHS %
Internet Retailers	20.7	102.3
Steel	20.1	87.4
Oil & Gas Refining	15.7	102.3
Oil & Gas Drilling	15.7	87.4
Oil & Gas Equipment	15.7	80.9
Fertilizers & Ag. Chems.	13.8	80.9
Employment Services	13.8	74.6
Managed Health Care	12.8	74.4
Trading Cos. & Distribs.	12.8	74.4
Oil & Gas Exploration	12.8	74.4

## WORST-PERFORMING GROUPS

	LAST MONTH %	LAST 12 MONTHS %
Home Furnishings	-10.4	-36.8
IT Consulting	-10.4	-36.8
Comptr. Stge. & Perphs.	-8.3	-22.4
Automobiles	-8.3	-22.4
Distillers & Vintners	-8.0	-22.4
Insurance Brokers	-8.0	-22.4
Food Wholesalers	-6.9	-15.3
Brewers	-6.9	-15.3
Specialized Consmr. Serv.	-6.8	-14.7
Paper Products	-6.8	-14.7

## EQUITY FUND CATEGORIES

4-WEEK TOTAL RETURN	%	52-WEEK TOTAL RETURN	%
<b>LEADERS</b>			
Latin America	8.3	Latin America	74.3
Diversified Emerg. Mkts.	6.3	Natural Resources	55.4
Natural Resources	5.6	Diversified Emerg. Mkts.	47.1
Pacific/Asia ex-Japan	5.6	Pacific/Asia ex-Japan	36.1
<b>LAGGARDS</b>			
Real Estate	-4.2	Japan	8.1
Financial	-0.9	Domestic Hybrid	12.0
Utilities	-0.7	Financial	14.4
Small-cap Blend	-0.5	Large-cap Blend	16.0

## INTEREST RATES

### KEY RATES

	AUG. 10	WEEK AGO	YEAR AGO
Money Market Funds	2.91%	2.86%	0.91%
90-Day Treasury Bills	3.50	3.45	1.49
2-Year Treasury Notes	4.11	4.01	2.53
10-Year Treasury Notes	4.39	4.29	4.29
30-Year Treasury Bonds	4.58	4.50	5.07
30-Year Fixed Mortgage †	5.83	5.83	5.97

†BarNQuote, Inc.

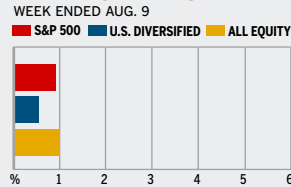
## BLOOMBERG MUNI YIELD EQUIVALENTS

Taxable equivalent yields on AAA-rated, tax-exempt municipal bonds, assuming a 30% federal tax rate.

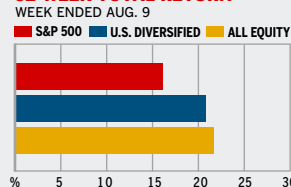
	10-YR. BOND	30-YR. BOND
General Obligations	3.84%	4.40%
Taxable Equivalent	5.49	6.29
Insured Revenue Bonds	3.90	4.60
Taxable Equivalent	5.57	6.57

## MUTUAL FUNDS

### 4-WEEK TOTAL RETURN



### 52-WEEK TOTAL RETURN



Data: Standard & Poor's

## EQUITY FUNDS

4-WEEK TOTAL RETURN	%	52-WEEK TOTAL RETURN	%
<b>LEADERS</b>			
ProFunds Biotech. Inv.	10.3	Guinness Atkn. Gl. Energy	84.8
iShares FTSE Xha. Ch. 25 Idx.	10.2	iShares MSCI Brazil Idx.	80.2
Third Millennium Russia	10.1	ProFunds Oil & Gas Inv.	80.0
iShares MSCI Brazil Idx.	9.6	T. Rowe Price Lat. Am.	79.0
<b>LAGGARDS</b>			
ProFunds. Real Est. Inv.	-8.5	Ameritor Investment	-56.0
Ameritor Investment	-8.3	ProFds. USh. Sm. Cap Inv.	-39.0
Stratton Mthly. Dvd. REIT	-7.5	ProFds. USh. Mid Cap Inv.	-38.4
Spirit of Amrca. R. Est. A	-7.0	Rydex Dyn. Vent. 100 H	-30.9

## THE WEEK AHEAD

### CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

**Tuesday, Aug. 16, 8:30 a.m.**  
EDT » July consumer prices for goods and services are forecast to have risen 0.4%, while prices less food and energy probably climbed 0.2%. That's the median estimate of economists surveyed by Action Economics. Consumer prices in June were flat, with core inflation posting a 0.1% rise.

### RESIDENTIAL CONSTRUCTION

**Tuesday, Aug. 16, 8:30 a.m.**

**EDT »** Housing starts in July most likely rose to an annual rate of 2.02 million, after holding at a rate of 2 million in June.

### INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION

**Tuesday, Aug. 16, 9:15 a.m.**  
EDT » July industrial output probably expanded 0.4%, following a gain of 0.9% in June. The average monthly operating rate probably ticked up to 80.3%, after hitting 80% in June for the first time since December, 2000.

### PRODUCER PRICE INDEX

**Wednesday, Aug. 17, 8:30 a.m.** EDT » Producer prices are expected to have risen 0.5% in July, after holding steady in June. Excluding food and energy, prices probably moved 0.1% higher, following a June fall of 0.1%.

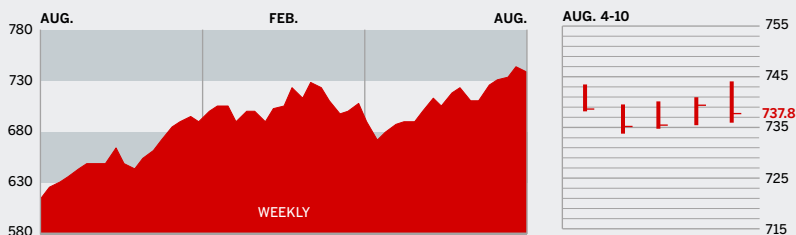
**LEADING INDICATORS Thursday, Aug. 18, 10 a.m.** EDT » The Conference Board's July index of leading economic indicators most likely rose 0.2%, after a 0.9% gain.

The *BusinessWeek* production index eased to 251.9 for the week ended July 30 but stayed 12.7% above the year-ago level. Before calculation of the four-week moving average, the index bounced up to 251.

## BusinessWeek online

For the BW50, more investment data, and the components of the production index visit [www.businessweek.com/magazine/extra.htm](http://www.businessweek.com/magazine/extra.htm)

## THE BUSINESSWEEK FIFTY



The BW50 managed to do better than the broader indexes, falling 0.6% for the week. Oil outfits Apache and Devon Energy rose 4.4% and 4.1%, respectively, as crude shot up to \$65 a barrel. Pulte Homes fell 6.9% on worries that rising interest rates could hurt the housing market. Cisco Systems, off 6.6%, reported good quarterly earnings but was cautious in its remarks to investors.

### COMPANY PERFORMANCE

RANK	COMPANY	% CHANGE		RANK	COMPANY	% CHANGE	
		WEEK	SINCE 3/1/05			WEEK	SINCE 3/1/05
1	Nucor	0.9	-7.1	26	Johnson & Johnson	-1.6	-2.7
2	ConocoPhillips	2.7	18.4	27	Carnival	0.3	-4.8
3	ChevronTexaco	3.5	0.6	28	Adobe Systems	-7.8	-16.1
4	Valero Energy	5.0	27.4	29	Cummins	2.3	18.9
5	UnitedHealth Group	-2.9	13.2	30	Boston Scientific	0.6	-12.5
6	Occidental Petroleum	-1.4	16.9	31	EOG Resources	1.9	38.6
7	Exxon Mobil	1.5	-5.4	32	Symantec	-0.5	-0.1
8	Yahoo	-0.9	5.9	33	Starbucks	-1.0	-0.8
9	Nextel Communications	-0.9	15.9	34	Electronic Arts	-0.7	-8.4
10	Apache	4.4	14.4	35	WellPoint	-1.1	19.9
11	Devon Energy	4.1	28.2	36	Deere	-1.4	0.4
12	Pulte Homes	-6.9	12.3	37	United States Steel	2.5	-28.8
13	Qualcomm	-1.8	8.8	38	Zimmer Holdings	-1.3	-6.9
14	Apple Computer	0.4	-3.3	39	FedEx	0.2	-13.3
15	Dell	-2.0	-0.9	40	Chubb	-1.5	10.8
16	Paccar	-2.2	-5.9	41	XTO Energy	2.7	10.2
17	Coach	-2.3	24.6	42	Microsoft	-1.1	7.1
18	Sunoco	2.3	32.6	43	Danaher	-1.5	3.1
19	eBay	-6.6	-2.9	44	Unocal	1.8	22.2
20	Burlington Resources	3.4	36.1	45	Dow Chemical	0.4	-12.7
21	Progressive	-5.7	8.4	46	Cisco Systems	-6.6	4.8
22	Caremark Rx	4.8	22.3	47	Gilead Sciences	-8.4	20.3
23	Caterpillar	1.1	15.7	48	Nike	-4.9	-4.9
24	Phelps Dodge	1.2	6.1	49	Anadarko Petroleum	2.7	17.0
25	Autodesk	1.8	23.4	50	Bank of America	-2.4	-8.4

Data: Reuters

## BW PRODUCTION INDEX

### INDUSTRIAL OUTPUT

CHANGE FROM LAST WEEK: -0.2%  
CHANGE FROM LAST YEAR: 12.7%



The production index slipped a little in the latest period. Before calculation of the four-week moving average, however, the index rebounded to 251, from 248.7. After seasonal adjustments, electric-power production and lumber output were the only components to decline. Auto and truck assemblies led the index higher, followed by coal, rail-freight traffic, steel, and crude oil refining. The average index level during the month of July increased to 251.9, from 246 in June.

Information on each of the index components is at [www.businessweek.com](http://www.businessweek.com).  
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