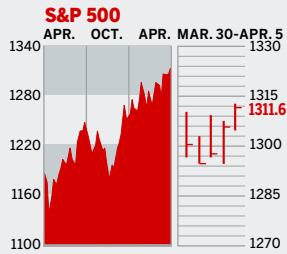


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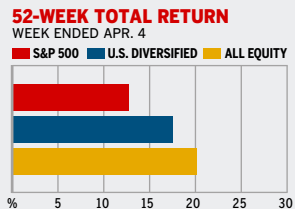
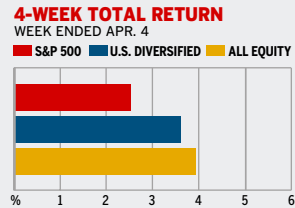


COMMENTARY

Wall Street greeted April with open arms, carrying over the rally that began in the first-quarter. The NASDAQ set new five-year highs almost daily, as investors flocked to shares of Google, Apple, and Qualcomm. Meanwhile, metals outfits such as Phelps Dodge and Alcoa soared higher still. The market's strong move came despite rising interest rates and higher oil.

Data: Bloomberg Financial Markets, Reuters

MUTUAL FUNDS



Data: Standard & Poor's

U.S. MARKETS

	APR. 5	WEEK	% CHANGE YEAR TO DATE	% CHANGE LAST 12 MONTHS
S&P 500	1310.8	0.6	5.0	11.0
Dow Jones Industrials	11,233.0	0.2	4.8	7.4
NASDAQ Composite	2356.9	0.8	6.9	17.9
S&P MidCap 400	798.1	0.8	8.1	21.2
S&P SmallCap 600	395.5	0.4	12.8	23.1
DJ Wilshire 5000	13,250.4	0.6	6.0	13.8

SECTORS

	APR. 5	WEEK	% CHANGE YEAR TO DATE	% CHANGE LAST 12 MONTHS
BusinessWeek 50*	791.7	1.8	6.7	12.5
BW Info Tech 100**	404.2	2.1	6.2	15.6
S&P/Citigroup Growth	615.5	0.3	3.2	7.9
S&P/Citigroup Value	692.3	0.9	6.9	14.1
S&P Energy	416.4	1.7	11.7	22.9
S&P Financials	443.9	0.9	4.1	16.8
S&P REIT	171.2	-3.2	11.9	30.3
S&P Transportation	285.2	3.2	14.1	27.3
S&P Utilities	158.7	-0.3	-0.6	5.9
GSTI Internet	198.0	1.8	-3.5	24.4
PSE Technology	880.0	0.5	5.2	22.0

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

GLOBAL MARKETS

	APR. 5	WEEK	% CHANGE YEAR TO DATE	% CHANGE LAST 12 MONTHS
S&P Euro Plus (U.S. Dollar)	1713.3	3.4	13.3	24.6
London (FT-SE 100)	6044.1	1.4	7.6	22.3
Paris (CAC 40)	5221.0	0.8	10.7	27.7
Frankfurt (DAX)	6029.2	1.9	11.5	38.2
Tokyo (NIKKEI 225)	17,244.0	1.8	7.0	46.5
Hong Kong (Hang Seng)	16,100.1	2.3	8.2	19.1
Toronto (S&P/TSX Composite)	12,273.2	0.7	8.9	27.6
Mexico City (IPC)	19,880.7	3.9	11.7	61.6

FUNDAMENTALS

	APR. 4	WEEK AGO	YEAR AGO
S&P 500 Dividend Yield	1.72%	1.79%	2.02%
S&P 500 P/E Ratio (Trailing 12 mos.)	18.2	17.9	19.6
S&P 500 P/E Ratio (Next 12 mos.)*	14.8	15.1	15.4
First Call Earnings Surprise*	16.70%	2.79%	11.89%

*First Call Corp.

TECHNICAL INDICATORS

	APR. 4	WEEK AGO	READING
S&P 500 200-day average	1244.4	1242.1	Positive
Stocks above 200-day average	69.0%	67.0%	Neutral
Options: Put/call ratio	0.76	0.78	Positive
Insiders: Vickers NYSE Sell/buy ratio	5.22	5.51	Negative

BEST-PERFORMING GROUPS

	LAST MONTH %		LAST 12 MONTHS %
Divsfd. Metals & Mining	20.6	Steel	79.1
Steel	20.0	Divsfd. Metals & Mining	78.2
Constr. Materials	17.6	Oil & Gas Equip.	71.5
Agricultural Products	15.2	Oil & Gas Refining	64.0
Electric Mfg. Svcs.	9.8	Constr. Materials	62.9

WORST-PERFORMING GROUPS

	LAST MONTH %		LAST 12 MONTHS %
Health-Care Supplies	-4.7	Automobiles	-31.7
Health-Care Equipment	-3.9	Home Furnishings	-15.9
Consumer Finance	-3.8	Broadcasting	-15.5
Semiconductor Equip.	-3.7	Health-Care Facilities	-13.6
Power & Energy Traders	-3.5	Diversified Chemicals	-13.3

EQUITY FUND CATEGORIES

4-WEEK TOTAL RETURN		52-WEEK TOTAL RETURN	
	%		%
LEADERS			
Precious Metals	11.4	Latin America	82.5
Japan	11.4	Precious Metals	69.0
Diversified Pacific/Asia	9.3	Diversified Emerg. Mkts.	51.6
Natural Resources	8.7	Japan	44.1
LAGGARDS			
Health	0.1	Domestic Hybrid	9.8
Utilities	1.4	Large-cap Value	13.1
Domestic Hybrid	1.9	Large-cap Blend	13.2
Real Estate	2.7	Miscellaneous	13.2

EQUITY FUNDS

4-WEEK TOTAL RETURN		52-WEEK TOTAL RETURN	
	%		%
LEADERS			
Frontier MicroCap	26.3	ProFunds Ultra Japan Inv.	111.4
American Heritage Grth.	25.0	U.S. Global Invsrs. Gold	96.9
ProFunds Ultra Japan Inv.	24.1	Midas	94.4
iShares MSCI S. Afr. Idx.	17.7	ING Russia A	91.0
LAGGARDS			
Ameritor Investment	-16.7	Ameritor Investment	-68.8
Potomac Sm. Cap/Sh. Inv.	-10.3	Potomac Sm. Cap/Sh. Inv.	-37.0
ProFds. USH. Sm. Cap Inv.	-10.2	ProFds. USH. Sm. Cap Inv.	-35.8
ProFds. Sh. Prc. Mtls. Inv.	-9.9	ProFunds UltraSht Mid Cap Inv.	-30.1

INTEREST RATES

KEY RATES

	APR. 5	WEEK AGO	YEAR AGO
Money Market Funds	4.25%	4.20%	2.29%
90-Day Treasury Bills	4.66	4.62	2.78
2-Year Treasury Notes	4.80	4.80	3.72
10-Year Treasury Notes	4.84	4.81	4.47
30-Year Treasury Bonds	4.89	4.84	4.75
30-Year Fixed Mortgage †	6.33	6.29	6.01

†BanxQuote, 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	4.02%	4.43%
Taxable Equivalent	5.74	6.33
Insured Revenue Bonds	4.10	4.59
Taxable Equivalent	5.86	6.56

THE WEEK AHEAD

INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Wednesday, Apr. 12, 8:30 a.m. EDT » The February foreign trade deficit is expected to be \$67.9 billion. That's the median forecast of economists polled by Action Economics. The trade gap jumped to \$68.5 billion in January.

FEDERAL BUDGET Wednesday, Apr. 12, 2 p.m. EDT » The federal government probably ran a \$74 billion deficit in March after a \$119.2 billion shortfall in February.

RETAIL SALES Thursday, Apr. 13, 8:30 a.m. EDT

» Retail sales most likely fell 0.6% in March, following a drop of 1.4% in February. Less auto sales, the March gain was probably 0.5%, after a 0.6% dip the month before.

EXPORT-IMPORT PRICES Thursday, Apr. 13, 8:30 a.m. EDT » March export prices very likely ticked up 0.1% after holding steady in February. Import prices probably bounced back 0.3%,

following a 0.5% drop in the previous period.

BUSINESS INVENTORIES

Thursday, Feb. 14, 10 a.m. EDT » December inventory levels probably rose 0.3%.

INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION

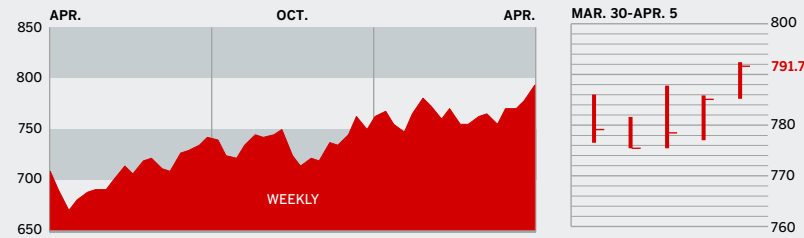
Friday, Apr. 14, 9:15 a.m. EDT » March factory output is forecast to have grown 0.4% after a 0.7% rise in February. The average operating rate likely climbed to 81.4%, from 81.2%.

The *BusinessWeek* production index climbed to 269.7 for the week ended Apr. 25, a gain of 12.8% from a year ago. Before calculation of the four-week moving average, the index rose to 271.6.

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For the BW50, more investment data, and the components of the production index visit www.businessweek.com/extras

THE BUSINESSWEEK FIFTY



The BW50 jumped 1.8%, leaving the broader market measures in the dust. Apple set the pace, delighting investors with the news that its Intel-based computers will now run Microsoft XP programs. Freeport-McMoran also rose strongly as copper prices hit record highs. Schlumberger, riding the oil rush, closed at a new high on Apr. 5. Insurers Aetna and Caremark Rx declined.

COMPANY PERFORMANCE

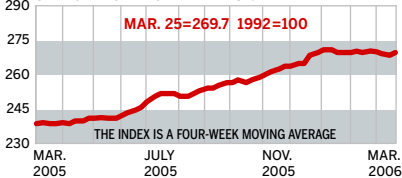
RANK	COMPANY	WEEK	% CHANGE SINCE 3/1/06	RANK	COMPANY	WEEK	% CHANGE SINCE 3/1/06
1	Apple Computer	7.8	-1.9	26	D. R. Horton	3.5	3.1
2	WellPoint	-0.2	0.2	27	National Oilwell Varco	0.4	6.6
3	Caremark Rx	-4.0	-4.1	28	JPMorgan Chase	2.1	3.4
4	UnitedHealth Group	-1.2	-5.0	29	Merrill Lynch	1.6	3.1
5	Schlumberger	4.9	15.7	30	Valero Energy	3.6	16.2
6	Occidental Petroleum	2.0	6.5	31	ConocoPhillips	2.7	9.2
7	Halliburton	4.1	13.7	32	Marathon Oil	3.5	12.8
8	Qualcomm	1.9	9.6	33	Prudential Financial	-0.4	-0.1
9	Amgen	1.2	-3.5	34	Microsoft	2.7	3.2
10	Aetna	-2.4	-3.3	35	Freeport-McMoRan Copper & Gold	7.4	26.6
11	Lowe's	1.5	-2.2	36	Weatherford International	4.1	10.2
12	Burlington Northern Santa Fe	4.7	9.5	37	eBay	-2.0	-3.8
13	Motorola	2.3	8.8	38	Coventry Health Care	-1.9	-8.8
14	Yahoo	-1.4	0.2	39	CVS	-1.2	4.8
15	Goldman Sachs Group	2.5	13.8	40	FedEx	5.3	9.8
16	Lehman Brothers Holdings	3.2	1.7	41	Franklin Resources	0.9	-6.3
17	Gilead Sciences	3.0	2.6	42	Lennar	1.9	4.0
18	Jabil Circuit	0.6	12.7	43	Coach	-1.2	-3.4
19	Best Buy	6.8	8.2	44	Staples	3.4	7.9
20	EMC	2.2	-1.6	45	NVIDIA	7.0	29.6
21	Baker Hughes	1.1	3.1	46	Norfolk Southern	4.9	9.7
22	Texas Instruments	3.8	11.3	47	Caterpillar	2.9	3.7
23	Cisco Systems	0.6	7.2	48	McKesson	0.3	-3.1
24	Starbucks	-0.1	3.2	49	Hartford Financial Services Group	3.7	0.9
25	Intel	-1.7	-5.4	50	Home Depot	-0.6	1.2

Data: Reuters

BW PRODUCTION INDEX

INDUSTRIAL OUTPUT

CHANGE FROM LAST WEEK: 0.2%
CHANGE FROM LAST YEAR: 12.8%



The production index turned around, posting its first increase in four weeks. Before calculation of the four-week moving average, the index reached 271.6, the highest level of the year and up from 269.1 for the previous week. On a seasonally adjusted basis, only one component declined this week. Truck assemblies and electric power production posted the biggest increases. Auto, steel, coal, and lumber output, as well as rail-freight traffic, all recorded modest gains. Crude-oil refining drifted slightly lower.

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