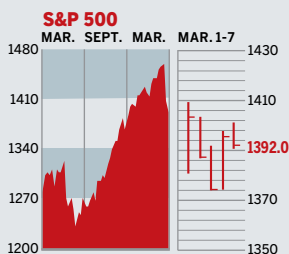


STOCKS



COMMENTARY

Investors still feel jittery. Treasury Secretary Hank Paulson's soothing words that mortgage defaults wouldn't topple the economy touched off a nice rebound on Mar. 6. But the market lost ground after a Fed report highlighted sluggish economic activity in parts of the U.S. and a warning from builder D.R. Horton that home sales would slow even more.

Data: Bloomberg Financial Markets, Reuters

U.S. MARKETS

	MAR. 7	WEEK	% CHANGE YEAR TO DATE	LAST 12 MONTHS
S&P 500	1392.0	-1.1	-1.9	9.1
Dow Jones Industrials	12,192.5	-0.6	-2.2	11.0
NASDAQ Composite	2374.6	-1.7	-1.7	4.7
S&P MidCap 400	824.0	-1.7	-2.4	7.9
S&P SmallCap 600	397.4	-2.0	-0.6	7.0
DJ Wilshire 5000	14,036.8	-1.2	-1.3	9.4

SECTORS

	MAR. 7	WEEK	% CHANGE YEAR TO DATE	LAST 12 MONTHS
BusinessWeek 50*	785.9	-0.6	-1.6	4.3
BW Info Tech 100**	426.0	-2.3	-4.8	10.7
S&P/Citigroup Growth	638.9	-0.9	-2.1	5.9
S&P/Citigroup Value	751.8	-1.2	-1.6	12.4
S&P Energy	439.6	0.6	-3.5	14.0
S&P Financials	475.7	-1.4	-4.0	9.2
S&P REIT	200.6	-4.5	0.9	19.5
S&P Transportation	261.9	-0.9	-0.7	-1.0
S&P Utilities	192.4	-1.2	3.1	20.7
GSTI Internet	197.7	-2.8	-1.0	4.3
PSE Technology	869.7	-1.5	-0.7	1.0

*March 19, 1999=1000 **February 7, 2000=1000

GLOBAL MARKETS

	MAR. 7	WEEK	% CHANGE YEAR TO DATE	LAST 12 MONTHS
S&P Euro Plus (U.S. Dollar)	1969.9	-1.5	-1.0	23.1
London (FT-SE 100)	6156.5	-0.2	-1.0	5.1
Paris (CAC 40)	5455.1	-1.1	-1.6	9.3
Frankfurt (DAX)	6617.8	-1.5	0.3	15.3
Tokyo (NIKKEI 225)	16,764.6	-4.8	-2.7	6.6
Hong Kong (Hang Seng)	18,918.6	-3.7	-5.2	21.3
Toronto (S&P/TSX Composite)	12,989.6	-0.4	0.6	9.9
Mexico City (IPC)	26,184.4	-1.7	-1.0	41.1

FUNDAMENTALS

	MAR. 6	WEEK AGO	YEAR AGO
S&P 500 Dividend Yield	1.83%	1.83%	1.80%
S&P 500 P/E Ratio (Trailing 12 mos.)	16.9	17.0	17.7
S&P 500 P/E Ratio (Next 12 mos.)*	14.9	14.9	14.9
First Call Earnings Revision*	0.90%	-1.55%	-1.20%

*First Call Corp.

TECHNICAL INDICATORS

	MAR. 6	WEEK AGO	YEAR AGO
S&P 500 200-day average	1345.5	1342.9	Positive
Stocks above 200-day average	67.0%	73.0%	Neutral
Options: Put/call ratio	1.32	1.09	Positive
Insiders: Vickers NYSE Sell/buy ratio	7.36	8.07	Negative

BEST-PERFORMING GROUPS

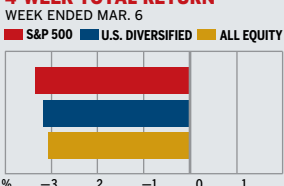
	LAST MONTH %	LAST 12 MONTHS %
Tires & Rubber	13.4	115.5
Constr. Materials	9.4	56.2
Oil & Gas Refining	7.8	53.1
Power & Energy Traders	7.4	51.9
Forest Products	6.2	37.6
Tires & Rubber		115.5
Divsfd. Metals & Mining		56.2
Steel		53.1
Constr. Materials		51.9
Power & Energy Traders		37.6

WORST-PERFORMING GROUPS

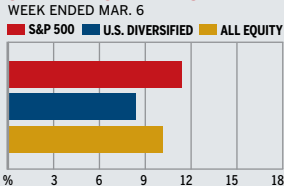
	LAST MONTH %	LAST 12 MONTHS %
Homebuilding	-14.2	-22.2
Specialized REIT's	-13.6	-22.1
Spclzd. Cnsmr. Serv.	-13.5	-19.0
Photographic Products	-13.0	-16.6
Residential REIT's	-12.3	-14.2
Distillers & Vintners		-22.2
Homebuilding		-22.1
Electric Mfg. Svcs.		-19.0
Photographic Products		-16.6
Gold Mining		-14.2

MUTUAL FUNDS

4-WEEK TOTAL RETURN



52-WEEK TOTAL RETURN



Data: Standard & Poor's

EQUITY FUND CATEGORIES

4-WEEK TOTAL RETURN	%	52-WEEK TOTAL RETURN	%
LEADERS			
Japan	0.3	Real Estate	25.3
Utilities	-1.0	Pacific/Asia ex-Japan	25.3
Domestic Hybrid	-1.7	Utilities	24.0
International Hybrid	-1.8	Latin America	23.8
LAGGARDS			
Latin America	-7.0	Health	0.6
Real Estate	-6.3	Technology	2.3
Pacific/Asia ex-Japan	-6.2	Small-cap Growth	4.0
Diversified Emerging Mkts.	-6.1	Japan	4.4

EQUITY FUNDS

4-WEEK TOTAL RETURN	%	52-WEEK TOTAL RETURN	%
LEADERS			
ProFunds USh. Russell 2000	19.3	Dreyfus Prem. Grtr. China A	54.6
ProFunds USh. Real Estate	18.2	Old Mut. Clay Finlay Ch. A	46.6
ProFunds USh. Financials	11.6	E.L.I. Int. Property Instl	45.5
DireXn. Sm. Cap Bear 2.5X	9.5	Oberweis China Opport.	45.4
LAGGARD S			
ProFunds Ult. Real Estate	-16.8	DireXn. Dev. Mkts. Bear 2X	-28.6
iShares DJ U.S. Home Constr.	-15.4	American Heritage Grth.	-25.0
Eaton Vance Greater India A	-14.9	DireXn. Sm. Cap Bear 2.5X	-19.4
Mathews India	-13.3	SPDRS&PHomebuildersETF	-18.9

INTEREST RATES

KEY RATES

	MAR. 7	WEEK AGO	YEAR AGO
Money Market Funds	4.86%	4.86%	4.07%
90-Day Treasury Bills	5.09	5.14	4.60
2-Year Treasury Notes	4.53	4.63	4.75
10-Year Treasury Notes	4.49	4.56	4.73
30-Year Treasury Bonds	4.63	4.67	4.71
30-Year Fixed Mortgage †	6.05	6.05	6.10

† 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	3.72%	4.06%
Taxable Equivalent	5.31	5.80
Insured Revenue Bonds	3.87	4.35
Taxable Equivalent	5.53	6.21

THE WEEK AHEAD

RETAIL SALES *Tuesday, Mar. 13, 8:30 a.m. EDT* » Retail sales are expected to have grown 0.4% in February after holding steady in January, according to economists surveyed by Action Economics. Minus vehicles, sales probably grew 0.4% as well, after a 0.3% January gain.

CURRENT ACCOUNT *Wednesday, Mar. 14, 8:30 a.m. EDT* » The fourth-quarter current account deficit most likely narrowed

to \$204.3 billion after a third-quarter gap of \$225.6 billion.

EXPORT-IMPORT PRICES *Wednesday, Mar. 14, 8:30 a.m. EDT* » February import prices probably rebounded 0.7%. Export prices likely grew 0.2%.

PRODUCER PRICE INDEX *Thursday, Mar. 15, 8:30 a.m. EDT* » Producer prices likely rose 0.4% in February after a 0.6% drop in January. Less food and energy, wholesale prices probably climbed 0.2%.

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX *Friday, Mar. 16, 8:30 a.m. EDT* » February consumer prices are forecast to have risen 0.3%, following a 0.2% gain in January. Less energy and food, the index probably rose 0.2%, after January's 0.3% rise.

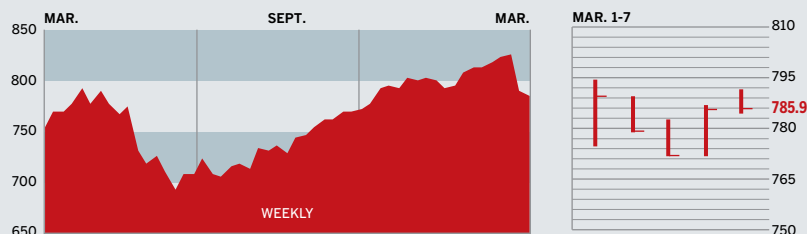
INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION *Friday, Mar. 16, 9:15 a.m. EDT* » Monthly factory output likely rebounded 0.3%, after a 0.5% drop last month. The utilization rate is expected to have held at 81.2%.

The *BusinessWeek* production index declined to 293.7 for the week ended Feb. 24, but stood 8.6% above the year ago level. Before calculation of the four-week moving average, the index fell to 292.4.

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THE BUSINESSWEEK FIFTY



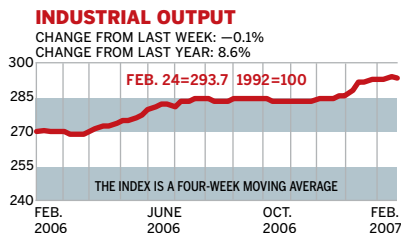
Following a drop last week, the BW50 slipped this week, ended Mar. 7. Tech was among the biggest losers with EMC, NVIDIA, and Intel leading the way. Biotech Amgen fell 3.5% on a string of bad news about its anemia drug Aranesp. Once again, energy issues were among the best performers; oil well services company Weatherford International rose 5%.

COMPANY PERFORMANCE

RANK	COMPANY	WEEK	% CHANGE SINCE 3/1/06	RANK	COMPANY	WEEK	% CHANGE SINCE 3/1/06
1	Apple Computer	3.7	28.1	26	D. R. Horton	-3.2	-28.0
2	WellPoint	0.5	3.9	27	National Oilwell Varco	3.8	18.8
3	Caremark Rx	-0.6	23.2	28	JPMorgan Chase	-2.1	17.5
4	UnitedHealth Group	3.1	-7.6	29	Merrill Lynch	-1.8	6.5
5	Schlumberger	3.6	13.1	30	Valero Energy	3.9	11.2
6	Occidental Petroleum	0.5	1.3	31	ConocoPhillips	2.8	10.2
7	Halliburton	1.7	-7.5	32	Marathon Oil	2.5	31.8
8	Qualcomm	-1.5	-15.8	33	Prudential Financial	-1.5	16.3
9	Amgen	-3.5	-17.8	34	Microsoft	-2.0	2.8
10	Aetna	0.2	-13.2	35	Freeport-McMoRan	-2.1	11.0
11	Lowe's	0.1	-4.4	36	Weatherford International	5.0	-2.4
12	Burlington Northern Santa Fe	-1.7	-1.0	37	eBay	-3.2	-22.5
13	Motorola	2.6	-11.2	38	Coventry Health Care	-0.7	-9.4
14	Yahoo	-1.5	-5.2	39	CVS	-0.3	10.6
15	Goldman Sachs Group	-3.1	38.4	40	FedEx	-1.6	4.8
16	Lehman Brothers Holdings	0.8	1.3	41	Franklin Resources	-2.2	11.7
17	Gilead Sciences	-2.1	12.5	42	Lennar	-1.9	-19.4
18	Jabil Circuit	-3.1	-31.6	43	Coach	2.2	35.0
19	Best Buy	2.6	-11.4	44	Staples	-0.5	5.5
20	EMC	-6.5	-6.9	45	NVIDIA	-4.5	25.6
21	Baker Hughes	-1.1	-5.3	46	Norfolk Southern	0.5	-6.8
22	Texas Instruments	0.6	4.3	47	Caterpillar	-0.3	-12.1
23	Cisco Systems	-0.3	27.8	48	McKesson	-1.1	1.8
24	Starbucks	-1.4	-16.1	49	Hartford Financial Services	0.5	15.3
25	Intel	-3.7	-7.2	50	Home Depot	-2.2	-8.2

Data: Reuters

BW PRODUCTION INDEX



The Production Index declined for the first time this year. Before calculation of the four-week moving average, the index cooled off to 292.4; it had been 293.1 in the prior week. On a seasonally adjusted basis, lumber output dropped the most, followed closely by electric power production. Auto and truck assemblies fell some more, while crude-oil refining edged lower. Rail freight traffic rebounded strongly after holdups from winter weather. The steel and coal components were also higher.

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