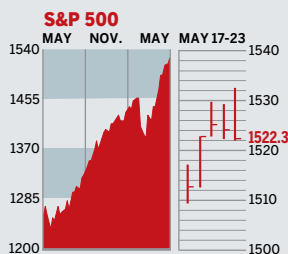


Figures of the Week

STOCKS



COMMENTARY

U.S. stocks gave up some gains May 23 on a report that former Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan is concerned about a potential drop in Chinese stocks. Prior to that markets had been rallying on boffo profits and takeover news. MGM Mirage shareholders hit the jackpot when Tracinda said it plans to buy CityCenter and Bellagio Casino.

Data: Bloomberg Financial Markets, Reuters

U.S. MARKETS

	MAY 23	WEEK	% CHANGE YEAR TO DATE	% CHANGE LAST 12 MONTHS
S&P 500	1522.3	0.5	7.3	21.1
Dow Jones Industrials	13,525.7	0.3	8.5	21.9
NASDAQ Composite	2577.1	1.2	6.7	19.4
S&P MidCap 400	904.5	1.4	12.4	20.0
S&P SmallCap 600	434.2	1.7	8.5	16.5
DJ Wilshire 5000	15,323.5	0.8	7.8	21.1

SECTORS

	MAY 23	WEEK	% CHANGE YEAR TO DATE	% CHANGE LAST 12 MONTHS
BusinessWeek 50*	859.0	0.6	7.6	19.8
BW Info Tech 100**	478.6	0.9	6.9	28.5
S&P/Citigroup Growth	694.7	0.6	6.5	19.3
S&P/Citigroup Value	826.6	0.5	8.2	22.9
S&P Energy	519.8	3.2	14.1	29.6
S&P Financials	507.4	0.0	2.4	17.0
S&P REIT	193.9	-1.8	-2.5	22.5
S&P Transportation	281.0	-1.3	6.5	3.3
S&P Utilities	213.3	-1.5	14.3	36.7
GSTI Internet	226.7	4.8	13.5	30.3
PSE Technology	939.6	0.1	7.3	16.8

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

GLOBAL MARKETS

	MAY 23	WEEK	% CHANGE YEAR TO DATE	% CHANGE LAST 12 MONTHS
S&P Euro Plus (U.S. Dollar)	2229.1	1.4	12.0	32.9
London (FT-SE 100)	6616.4	0.9	6.4	16.5
Paris (CAC 40)	6120.2	1.7	10.4	24.1
Frankfurt (DAX)	7735.9	3.4	17.3	36.2
Tokyo (NIKKEI 225)	17705.1	1.0	2.8	13.5
Hong Kong (Hang Seng)	20,799.0	-0.7	4.2	31.1
Toronto (S&P/TSX Composite)	14,142.5	0.8	9.6	22.6
Mexico City (IPC)	30,869.8	1.7	16.7	61.8

FUNDAMENTALS

	MAY 22	WEEK AGO	YEAR AGO
S&P 500 Dividend Yield	1.75%	1.77%	1.86%
S&P 500 P/E Ratio (Trailing 12 mos.)	17.9	17.7	17.1
S&P 500 P/E Ratio (Next 12 mos.)*	15.7	15.5	14.3
First Call Earnings Revision*	0.07%	-0.03%	-0.43%

*First Call Corp.

TECHNICAL INDICATORS

	MAY 22	WEEK AGO	YEAR AGO
S&P 500 200-day average	1399.5	1393.4	Positive
Stocks above 200-day average	75.0%	70.0%	Negative
Options: Put/call ratio	0.84	0.77	Positive
Insiders: Vickers NYSE Sell/buy ratio	5.78	6.37	Negative

BEST-PERFORMING GROUPS

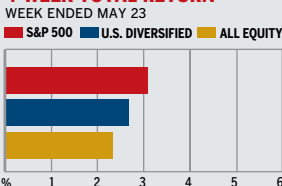
	LAST MONTH %	LAST 12 MONTHS %
Internet Retailers	31.3	171.4
Aluminum	18.2	69.3
Consumer Electronics	15.5	64.2
Oil & Gas Drilling	13.5	53.8
Household Appliances	12.3	52.9
Tires & Rubber		17.4
Internet Retailers		69.3
Divsfd. Metals & Mining		64.2
Intgrd. Telecmm. Svcs.		53.8
Leisure Products		52.9

WORST-PERFORMING GROUPS

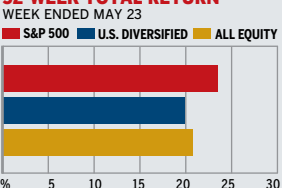
	LAST MONTH %	LAST 12 MONTHS %
IT Consulting	-12.2	-23.0
Retail REIT's	-11.0	-21.0
Gold Mining	-10.3	-12.4
Specialized REIT's	-9.5	-10.3
Agricultural Products	-7.8	-10.2
Gold Mining		-23.0
Electric Mfg. Svcs.		-21.0
Employment Services		-12.4
Agricultural Products		-10.3
Homebuilding		-10.2

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			
Latin America	9.8	Latin America	68.3
Natural Resources	6.4	Pacific/Asia ex-Japan	42.8
Communications	4.9	Utilities	42.4
Pacific/Asia ex-Japan	4.8	Diversified Emerging Mkts.	35.9
LAGGARDS			
Real Estate	-3.7	Japan	-0.5
Precious Metals	-2.0	Precious Metals	10.4
Japan	-0.5	Miscellaneous	14.3
Health	0.7	International Hybrid	15.2

EQUITY FUNDS

4-WEEK TOTAL RETURN	%	52-WEEK TOTAL RETURN	%
LEADERS			
DireXn. Lat. Am. Bull 2X Inv.	16.8	DireXn. Lat. Am. Bull 2X Inv.	125.3
ProShares Ultra Oil & Gas	14.8	Dreyfus Prem. Grtr. China A	83.3
ProFunds Oil Equip., Svcs.	13.5	ProFunds UltraEmrg. Mkts.	77.7
Dreyfus Prem. Grtr. China A	12.8	AIM China A	75.3
LAGGARDS			
ProShares UltSh. Oil & Gas	-13.2	ProFunds UltSh. Emrg. Mkts.	-55.4
ProShares Ultra Real Estate	-10.7	DireXn. Emrg. Mkts. Short	-53.2
ProFunds UltSh. Emrg. Mkts.	-10.7	DireXn. NASDAQ 100 Bear 2.5X	-37.4
Frontier MicroCap	-9.5	DireXn. Sm. Cap Bear 2.5X	-37.0

INTEREST RATES

KEY RATES

	MAY 23	WEEK AGO	YEAR AGO
Money Market Funds	4.86%	4.87%	4.49%
90-Day Treasury Bills	4.89	4.73	4.83
2-Year Treasury Notes	4.84	4.73	4.95
10-Year Treasury Notes	4.86	4.71	5.05
30-Year Treasury Bonds	5.01	4.88	5.14
30-Year Fixed Mortgage †	6.29	6.17	6.54

† 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	3.90%	4.35%
Taxable Equivalent	5.57	6.21
Insured Revenue Bonds	4.03	4.53
Taxable Equivalent	5.76	6.47

THE WEEK AHEAD

GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT

(REVISED) Thursday, May 31, 8:30 a.m. EDT » First-quarter real gross domestic product will probably be revised to an annualized growth rate of 0.9%, a four-year low. That's the median forecast among economists queried by Action Economics. The initial increase was 1.3%.

CONSTRUCTION SPENDING

Thursday, May 31, 10 a.m. EDT » Building outlays most likely

slipped 0.1% in April, likely due to a further drop in residential construction. In March, strength in nonresidential building drove the overall total up 0.2%.

EMPLOYMENT Friday, June 1, 8:30 a.m. EDT » May nonfarm payrolls are expected to have improved, with a gain of 140,000 workers. Businesses added 88,000 jobs in April. The jobless rate probably held at 4.5%, and average hourly earnings likely grew 0.3%.

PERSONAL INCOME Friday, June 1,

8:30 a.m. EDT » Personal income probably slowed to a 0.3% gain in April, after a 0.7% jump in March. Consumer spending likely picked up, to a gain of 0.4% from 0.3%.

PURCHASING MANAGERS INDEX

Friday, June 1, 10 a.m. EDT » The Institute for Supply Management's May manufacturing activity most likely eased slightly, to 53.6%, after a better-than-expected rebound, to 54.7%, for April.

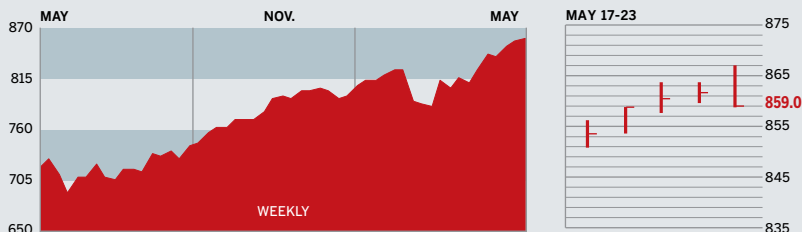
The *BusinessWeek* production index was practically unchanged, at 300.9, for the week ended May 12, a 9.2% gain from a year ago. Before calculation of the four-week moving average, the index grew to 301.7.

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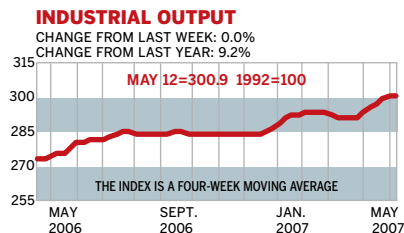
The BW50 had another decent week, rising 0.6%. Amazon.com hit a seven-year high after the online retailer said it will offer music downloads without copy-restricting software and an analyst upped his price forecast for the stock. Meanwhile, chipmaker Linear Technologies dropped 5.1%, following the chipmaker's loss on a patent infringement case.

COMPANY PERFORMANCE

RANK	COMPANY	% CHANGE		RANK	COMPANY	% CHANGE	
		WEEK	SINCE 3/1/06			WEEK	SINCE 3/1/06
1	Google	0.3	5.5	26	Allegheny Technologies	-0.6	10.3
2	Coach	3.8	4.4	27	Oracle	0.9	16.6
3	Gilead Sciences	-1.7	15.4	28	Starbucks	2.4	-6.5
4	Nucor	-2.4	6.4	29	Moody's	5.8	11.4
5	Questar	5.2	25.0	30	Pepsico	0.1	8.8
6	Sunoco	6.7	21.6	31	Stryker	1.3	8.5
7	Verizon Communications	-0.2	14.1	32	Best Buy	0.7	2.3
8	Colgate-Palmolive	-1.0	-0.9	33	United Parcel Service	-1.9	-0.3
9	Goldman Sachs Group	0.6	13.3	34	Apple	5.2	33.4
10	Paccar	-0.1	24.2	35	T. Rowe Price Group	1.3	7.7
11	Amazon.com	9.1	76.3	36	Valero Energy	3.4	29.5
12	Cognizant Technology Solutions	-2.0	-15.6	37	Constellation Energy Group	-2.2	17.2
13	Avon Products	-2.4	2.4	38	TJX	1.9	2.4
14	Varian Medical Systems	0.5	-9.6	39	Morgan Stanley	2.0	14.5
15	Bed Bath & Beyond	1.9	2.3	40	Paychex	3.4	-1.0
16	CB Richard Ellis Group	3.7	12.2	41	Coventry Health Care	-1.2	9.3
17	Robert Half International	-1.3	-11.3	42	United States Steel	-2.5	21.0
18	Chicago Mercantile Exchange Hldgs.	-0.4	-3.7	43	United Technologies	0.5	4.9
19	Adobe Systems	2.2	10.1	44	Hershey	-1.0	-1.7
20	EOG Resources	2.5	14.4	45	Black & Decker	-1.1	9.5
21	Sempra Energy	2.2	7.4	46	Synovus Financial	2.3	2.3
22	Sherwin-Williams	0.3	1.3	47	Linear Technology	-5.1	7.8
23	Lehman Brothers Holdings	1.1	1.1	48	AT&T	-1.8	9.8
24	Rockwell Collins	0.9	4.0	49	XTO Energy	4.3	12.2
25	IMS Health	1.1	8.1	50	PNC Financial Services Group	-1.0	1.1

Data: Reuters

BW PRODUCTION INDEX



The Production Index held virtually steady in the latest period. Before calculation of the four-week moving average, the index improved to 301.7, from 300.8 in the prior week. On a seasonally adjusted basis, auto production surged higher, followed by much smaller increases in electric-power output, crude-oil refining, and lumber. The steel component barely budged, while truck assemblies fell the furthest. Rail-freight traffic and coal were down modestly.

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