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Week In Review

December 19, 2025





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Bond School Nov 4-5, 2026 **Dale Sheller** *Managing Director Director of FSG*

The Holiday season is in full swing as more delayed economic data arrived in time for Christmas! On Tuesday, the Bureau of Labor Statistics released the job reports for both the month of October and the month of November. The US economy added 64k jobs in November (est = 50k) following a loss of 105k jobs in October bringing the 3-month average job gain to 22k. November job gains were largely concentrated in health care (+64k) and construction (+28k) while transportation (-18k), leisure & hospitality (-12k), manufacturing (-5k) and government (-5k) saw the largest declines. The loss of jobs in October was largely due to DOGE related deferred resignations of federal workers earlier this year that led to 161k fewer federal government jobs in October. Federal government jobs have now declined for 11 consecutive months totaling 262k. The separate household survey showed the unemployment rate rose to 4.6% (est = 4.5%), the highest level since September 2021 and up 1.2% from the low of 3.4% in April 2023. The rise in the unemployment rate was at least partially due to an increase in the labor force participation rate to 62.5%, up 0.3% since July and a sign more people are reentering the labor market is an effort to find work. Finally, average hourly earnings rose 3.5%, the slowest pace since May 2021 but still above the pre-pandemic level of around 3%.

The jobs reports were viewed as a mixed bag that didn't move the markets all that much as November job gains were slightly better than expected, but the October decline was larger than expected and the unemployment rate unexpectedly rose to a 4-year high. The Fed Funds Futures market is pricing in a 22% chance of a rate cut at the next FOMC meeting in late January.

Yesterday, the Consumer Price Index (CPI) was released for the month of November. The data for the CPI release included limit data for October and the November data collection started late on November 14th. Consumer prices rose less than expected as CPI grew at a 2.7% annualized rate, well below expectations of a 3.1% increase. Core CPI, which strips out volatile food and energy prices, was also cooler than anticipated, growing at a 2.6% annualized rate. The monthly increases also were less than expected, with both the headline CPI and core CPI increases at 0.2%, compared to estimates of 0.3%. Many experts and economists are saying to not take the most recent inflation report at "face value" as "it seems like the government shutdown had a big impact". This morning, New York Fed President John Williams stated that "technical factors" likely distorted November's inflation data. The next CPI report is set to be released on Tuesday, January 13th, 2026.

This morning, the University of Michigan Consumer Sentiment index rose to 52.9 (est = 53.5), up from 51 the previous month. High prices and weaker hiring continue to weigh on consumers with more than 60% of the respondents expecting joblessness to continue rising over the next year.

Let's take a quick look at the markets this morning. Treasuries are seeing a small sell off, with the longer end of the yield curve selling off more than the short end. The 10-Year Treasury yield is currently at 4.14% with the 2-Year Treasury yield at 3.48%. Stocks are up as well with the Dow Jones Industrial Average up over 250 points.

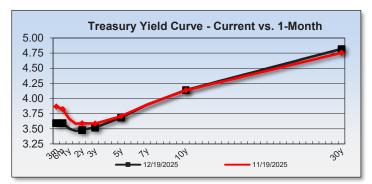
Have a great weekend and I hope everyone gets their last-minute Christmas shopping done soon! Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays from all of us at The Baker Group!

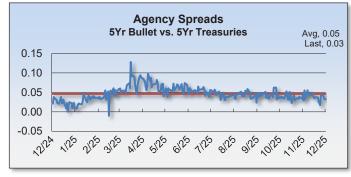
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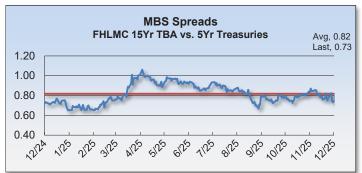
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Treasury Market Historical					Fixed Rate Market											
Maty	Current	1Wk	Wk Historical		l	Maty	Maty N-Call	US	US AAA BQ Muni		Tax		Agency Calls - Euro			iro
Maty		Change	1 Mo	6 Mo	1 Yr	/AL	Agency	Swap	C-Corp ²	S-Corp ³	Muni	Mty	3Мо	6mo	1Yr	2Yr
3mo	3.60	(0.02)	3.87	4.33	4.33	2yr	3.55	3.30	3.37	3.59	3.53	2Yr				
6mo	3.60	0.01	3.83	4.30	4.30	3yr	3.55	3.31	3.37	3.59	3.57	3Yr				
1yr	3.50	(0.02)	3.67	4.09	4.26	5yr	3.75	3.42	3.40	3.62	3.77	5Yr				
2yr	3.48	(0.04)	3.59	3.94	4.32	7yr	4.00	3.56	3.58	3.81	4.09	7Yr				
3yr	3.52	(0.06)	3.59	3.90	4.35	10yr	4.33	3.76	3.86	4.11	4.46	10Yr				
5yr	3.69	(0.06)	3.71	3.99	4.42	15yr	4.65	4.02	4.63	4.93	4.59		J	anuary '	TBA MBS	
7yr	3.90	(0.05)	3.90	4.18	4.51	20yr	4.97	4.14	5.50	5.86	5.42	Cpn	15 Y r -Y	ld/AL	30Yr -Y	ld/AL
10yr	4.14	(0.04)	4.14	4.39	4.56	25yr	5.28	4.16	5.72	6.09	5.48	3.50	4.37	4.2y	4.79	
30yr	4.82	(0.03)	4.76	4.89	4.74	30yr		4.14	5.94	6.32	5.54	4.00	4.33	4.0y		
* Interpola	ited	•		•			•	-	•	•	•	4.50	4.42	4.3y	4.94	8.6y
· ·								5.00	4.47	3.6y	5.06	6.5y				
Key Market Indices										5.50			5.00	4.1y		

Key Market Indices								
		1Wk	Historical					
Index	Current	Change	1 Mo	6 Mo	1 Yr			
Fed Funds	3.75		4.00	4.50	4.50			
Primary Discount	3.75		4.00	4.50	4.75			
2ndary Discount	4.25		4.50	5.00	5.25			
Prime Rate	6.75		7.00	7.50	7.50			
Sec. O.N. Finance	3.66		3.94	4.28				
1 Month LIBOR	4.96	(0.01)	5.31	5.44	5.43			
3 Month LIBOR	4.85	(0.08)	5.28	5.56	5.66			
6 Month LIBOR	4.68	(0.08)	5.14	5.65	5.90			
1 Year LIBOR	6.04	0.12	5.73	5.48	3.62			
6 Month CD	3.68	(0.06)	3.91	4.33	4.35			
1 Year CMT	3.49	(0.07)	3.67	4.10	4.30			
REPO O/N	3.72	(0.25)	4.02	4.33	4.69			
REPO 1Wk	3.66	(0.03)	3.92	4.37	4.40			
CoF Federal	3.558		3.600	3.662	3.767			
11th D. CoF (Oct)	2.871		2.921	2.934	3.105			

Maturity	Chicago	Boston	Topeka	
3mo	3.78	3.83	3.82	
6mo	3.74	3.76	3.75	
1yr	3.63	3.65	3.69	
2yr	3.59	3.65	3.62	
3yr	3.63	3.70	3.66	
4yr	3.72	3.80	3.75	
5yr	3.80	3.89	3.83	
7yr	4.08	4.19	4.13	
10yr	4.41	4.54	4.46	
5yr Am	3.73		3.79	
10yr Am	4.13		4.18	

Fed Fun	d Futures
Maturity	Rate
Dec-25	3.723
Jan-26	3.640
Feb-26	3.590
Mar-26	3.555
Apr-26	3.485
May-26	3.425
Jun-26	3.370
Jul-26	3.290
Aug-26	3.220
Sep-26	3.180
Oct-26	3.130

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	Weekly Eco					
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Date	Release	Per.	Est.	Actual	Prior	Revised
12/15	Empire Manufacturing	Dec	10.0	-3.9	18.7	
12/15	NAHB Housing Market Index	Dec	39	39	38	
12/16	ADP Weekly Employment Change	11/28		16.250k		
12/16	Two-Month Payroll Net Revision	Oct	4.50/	-33k	-33k	
12/16	Unemployment Rate	Nov	4.5%	4.6%		
12/16	Underemployment Rate	Nov		8.7%		
12/16	Labor Force Participation Rate	Nov	62.4%	62.5%		
12/16	Retail Sales Advance MoM	Oct	0.1%	0.0%	0.2%	0.1%
12/16	Retail Sales Ex Auto MoM	Oct	0.2%	0.4%	0.3%	0.1%
12/16	Retail Sales Ex Auto and Gas	Oct	0.4%	0.5%	0.1%	0.0%
12/16	Retail Sales Control Group	Oct	0.4%	0.8%	-0.1%	
12/16	Change in Nonfarm Payrolls	Nov	50k	64k	-105k	
12/16	Nonfarm Payrolls 3-Mo Avg Chg	Nov		22k	-8k	
12/16	Change in Private Payrolls	Nov	50k	69k	52k	
12/16	Change in Manufact. Payrolls	Nov	-5k	-5k	-9k	
12/16	Average Hourly Earnings MoM	Nov	0.3%	0.1%	0.4%	
12/16	Average Hourly Earnings YoY	Nov	3.6%	3.5%	3.7%	
12/16	Average Weekly Hours All Employees	Nov	34.2	34.3	34.2	
12/16	S&P Global US Manufacturing PMI	Dec P	52.1	51.8	52.2	
12/16	S&P Global US Services PMI	Dec P	54.0	52.9	54.1	
12/16	S&P Global US Composite PMI	Dec P	53.9	53.0	54.2	
12/17	MBA Mortgage Applications	12/12		-3.8%	4.8%	
12/18	Initial Jobless Claims	12/13	225k	224k	236k	237k
12/18	Continuing Claims	12/6	1920k	1897k	1838k	1830k
12/18	СРІ ҮоҮ	Nov	3.1%	2.7%		
12/18	Core CPI YoY	Nov	3.0%	2.6%		
12/18	CPI Index NSA	Nov	325.18	324.12		
12/18	Core CPI Index SA	Nov	332.09	331.07		
12/18	Real Avg Weekly Earnings YoY	Nov		0.8%		
12/18	Real Avg Hourly Earning YoY	Nov		0.8%		
12/18	Total Net TIC Flows	Oct		-\$37.3b	\$190.1b	\$184.3b
12/18	Net Long-term TIC Flows	Oct		\$17.5b	\$179.8b	\$173.2b
12/19	Existing Home Sales	Nov	4.15m	4.13m	4.10m	4.11m
12/19	Existing Home Sales MoM	Nov	1.2%	0.5%	1.2%	1.5%
12/19	U. of Mich. Sentiment	Dec F	53.5	52.9	53.3	
12/19	U. of Mich. Current Conditions	Dec F	50.7	50.4	50.7	
12/19	U. of Mich. 1 Yr Inflation	Dec F	4.1%	4.2%	4.1%	
12/22	Chicago Fed Nat Activity Index	Nov	-0.2			
12/23	GDP Annualized QoQ	3Q S	3.2%			
12/23	GDP Price Index	3Q S	2.6%			
12/23	Durables Ex Transportation	Oct P	0.3%		0.6%	
12/23	Cap Goods Ship Nondef Ex Air	Oct P			0.9%	
12/23	Manufacturing (SIC) Production	Nov			0.0%	
12/23	Capacity Utilization	Nov	75.9%		75.9%	
12/23	Conf. Board Consumer Confidence	Dec	91.7		88.7	
12/23	Conf. Board Present Situation	Dec			126.9	
12/23	Conf. Board Expectations	Dec			63.2	

MBS Prepayments ⁴									
	3-Month CPR								
Type	3.5	4.0	4.5	5.0	5.5	6.0			
FN 10y	15.3	12.1	18.6	23.7	24.9	26.4			
FH/FN 15y	9.5	12.3	17.8	15.9	15.0	22.1			
GN 15y	27.1	21.5	19.3	0.0	-2.3	76.3			
FH/FN 20y	7.9	8.7	10.9	14.5	25.0	25.0			
FH/FN 30y	5.7	4.3	6.1	5.2	9.8	14.6			
GN 30y	6.2	6.4	6.3	6.9	7.2	7.7			
		(CPR Pr	ojection	ıs				
Type	3.5	4.0	4.5	5.0	5.5	6.0			
FN 10y	12.6	13.5	16.8	20.2	21.3	22.6			
FH/FN 15y	10.1	12.0	19.6	22.7		34.4			
GN 15y	8.0	14.7	14.0	13.8	27.6	30.5			
FH/FN 20y	8.6	10.1	11.7	15.5	19.3	19.4			
FH/FN 30y	6.8	7.8	8.8	11.7	17.1	22.2			
GN 30y	6.9	7.8	8.3	9.1	9.7	13.4			

Other Markets								
		1Wk	Historical					
Index	Current	Chng	1 Mo 6 Mo		1 Yr			
Currencies								
Japanese Yen	157.47	1.66	156.24	145.71	156.95			
Euro	1.17	(0.00)	1.16	1.15	1.04			
Dollar Index	98.57	0.17	100.23	98.91	108.41			
Major Stock Indices								
Dow Jones	48,225	(233)	46,139	42,172	42,342			
S&P 500	6,823.6	(3.8)	6,642.2	5,980.9	5,867.1			
NASDAQ	23,276.5	81	22,564.2	19,546.3	19,372.8			
Commoditi	es							
Gold	4,339.5	54.0	4,066.5	3,389.8	2,636.5			
Crude Oil	56.65	(0.79)	59.44	75.14	69.91			
Natural Gas	3.93	(0.19)	4.55	3.99	3.58			
Wheat	507.5	-27.0	536.8	574.3	533.0			
Corn	444.5	13.0	429.8	433.5	440.8			

Notes

1 Call Agy = Maturity at left w/ a 1-Year Call at Par

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- 2 Muni TEY (21% Fed, 0.75% CoF)
- 3 S-Corp TEY Muni (29.6%, no TEFERA)
- 4 MBS Prepayments are provided by Bloomberg

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