

A Second Trump Term Stokes The Inflation Narrative

After Tuesday night?s initial election results started to point to increasing odds of a Trump victory, bond yields began to rise sharply, as shown below. The surge in rates was not a sudden move. Over the past month, betting odds favoring a second Trump term and bond yields rose in unison. The narrative emerging from Trump?s victory and the market-election betting relationship of the prior few weeks is that a second term for Trump is inflationary. However, what makes such a narrative suspicious is that Trump ran on the platform that he would fix the inflation problem. Furthermore, many exit polls showed that inflation was one of the top voter concerns, likely pushing voters from Harris to Trump.

Interestingly, some other market reactions are at odds with the inflationary narrative. For example, the dollar is soaring on news of Trump?s second term. A strong dollar is deflationary as it reduces import prices. Gold, a supposed barometer of inflation and deficit spending, is down over 2%. Furthermore, crude oil is trading about 3% lower. Energy and inflation are highly correlated. Lastly, the interest rate-sensitive, small-cap sector is up much more than the broader S&P 500.

The election and market reactions will make managing monetary policy more challenging for the Fed. Higher interest rates will slow economic activity, thus allowing the Fed to cut further. However, if the Fed believes that a second Trump term is inflationary, it may be lax in cutting rates. We will find out more later today, as the Fed meeting was pushed back a day to accommodate the election.

U.S. Treasurys

SYMBOL ‡	YIELD ‡	CHANGE ‡
US 1-MO	4.618	+0.004 ▲
US 2-MO	4.611	-0.001 ▼
US 3-MO	4.553	+0.008 ▲
US 4-MO	4.521	+0.018 🛦
US 6-MO	4.449	+0.027 ▲
US 1-YR	4.304	+0.032 ▲
US 2-YR	4.268	+0.065 ▲
US 3-YR	4.244	+0.085 ▲
US 5-YR	4.288	+0.116 ▲
US 7-YR	4.377	+0.148 🛦
US 10-YR	4.445	+0.157 🛦
US 20-YR	4.739	+0.17 ▲
US 30-YR	4.637	+0.187 🛦

What To Watch Today

Earnings

Th	ursday Nov 7	EPS	Consensus	Previous	Revenue	Consensus	Previous	MarketCap	Fiscal	Time		
=	Arista Networks ANET:US		2.08	1.83		1.75B	1.51B	\$130.53B	Q3	AM	*	
÷	Brookfield BAMA:CN			0.73			24.4	\$93.3B	Q3	AM	*	
	Airbnb ABNB:US		2.14	6.63		3.72B	3.4B	\$91.71B	Q3	PM	*	
=	Duke Energy DUK:US		1.74	1.94		8.06B	8B	\$87.28B	Q3	PM	*	
•	Nippon Telegraph & Telepho	3.34	3.30	3.46		3.31T	3.25T	\$80.05B	Q2	AM	*	
=	Motorola Solutions Msi MSI:U		3.37	3.19		2.76B	2.56B	\$78.12B	Q3	PM	*	
	TransDigm TDG:US		9.29	8.03		2.16B	1.85B	\$76.8B	Q4	PM	*	
	EOG Resources EOG:US		2.80	3.44		6B	6.21B	\$72.33B	Q3	AM	*	
	Munich RE MUV2:GR		9.30	8.59		17.09B	14.46B	\$68.77B	Q3	PM	*	
	Becton, Dickinson and Co. B		3.77	3.42		5.37B	5.1B	\$68.67B	Q4	PM	*	
=	Air Products & Chemicals AF	3.56	3.48	3.15	3.19B	3.22B	3.19B	\$67.28B	Q4	AM	*	
	Fortinet FTNT:US		0.52	0.41		1.48B	1.33B	\$61.05B	Q3	PM	*	
-	Monster Beverage MNST:US		0.43	0.43		1.91B	1.86B	\$56.23B	Q3	PM	*	
÷	TransCanada TRP:CN		0.96	1.00		3.96B	3.94B	\$49.44B	Q3	PM	*	
23	Cencora cor.us		3.20	2.86		77.65B	68.9B	\$48.36B	Q3			
•	Petrobras PETR3:BS		2.35	2.05		128.86B	125.68B	\$47.95B	Q3		*	
	Square sq:US		0.88	0.55		6.24B	5.62B	\$46.47B	Q3	PM	*	
-	PG&E PCG:US	0.27	0.33	0.24	5.94B	6.61B	5.89B	\$43.52B	Q3	AM	*	
支	Datadog DDOG:US		0.40	0.45		665.05M	547.5M	\$42.46B	Q3	AM	*	
de	Mahindra & Mahindra MM:IN		28.50	29.20		271.04B	246B	\$41.67B	Q2		*	
ŝ	Grupo Mexico GMEXICOB:MM		0.12	0.09				\$39.61B	Q3		*	
	Hershey HSY:US		2.56	2.60		3.08B	3.03B	\$36.51B	Q3	PM	*	
2	Power Grid PWGR:IN		4.28	5.55		115.76B	104.19B	\$35.13B	Q2		*	
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Economy

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08:30 AM	■ US	Unit Labour Costs QoQ Prel Q3		0.4%	1%	0.7%	q b	Ŵ
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Market Trading Update

A decisive Trump win reverberated throughout the market Wednesday, sending the S&P 500 and the Nasdaq up 2.5 and 3.0%, respectively, with the Dow seeing a 3.6% gain. The small-cap Russell saw an even more significant 5.8% surge.

? The S&P 500 now stands at 5,929 ? a stone?s throw from its next significant milestone of 6000, our current year-end target. The bounce of support at the 50-DMA is a very bullish setup for the market, with the next resistance level being the running trend line support from the August lows. With the MACD ?buy signal? close to triggering, the seasonally strong period of the year is now in place. As noted yesterday, there is little reason to be bearish. Continue to manage risk as always, but portfolio allocations should be near target weightings through year-end.



TradingView





Treasury Bond Auctions

On Wednesday morning, a reader asked us if the afternoon?s 30-year bond auction was partially responsible for pushing yields higher.

The Treasury Department runs its auctions through the largest Wall Street banks they call primary dealers. These primary dealers are required to make markets for all Treasury bonds, facilitate auction orders, and, importantly, bid for auctions. Dealers always ?take down? auction bonds at the auction and redistribute them to end investors over the coming days. The dealers? number one goal is profitability.

Accordingly, the banks want to buy bonds cheaply and sell them at higher prices. To help manage the process, they often try to establish a short position on the auction bonds going into the auction. The natural effect of the short selling is lower prices. The process works well over time as many bonds hit the market at once but get distributed to customers over time. However, in the process, volatility is often higher.

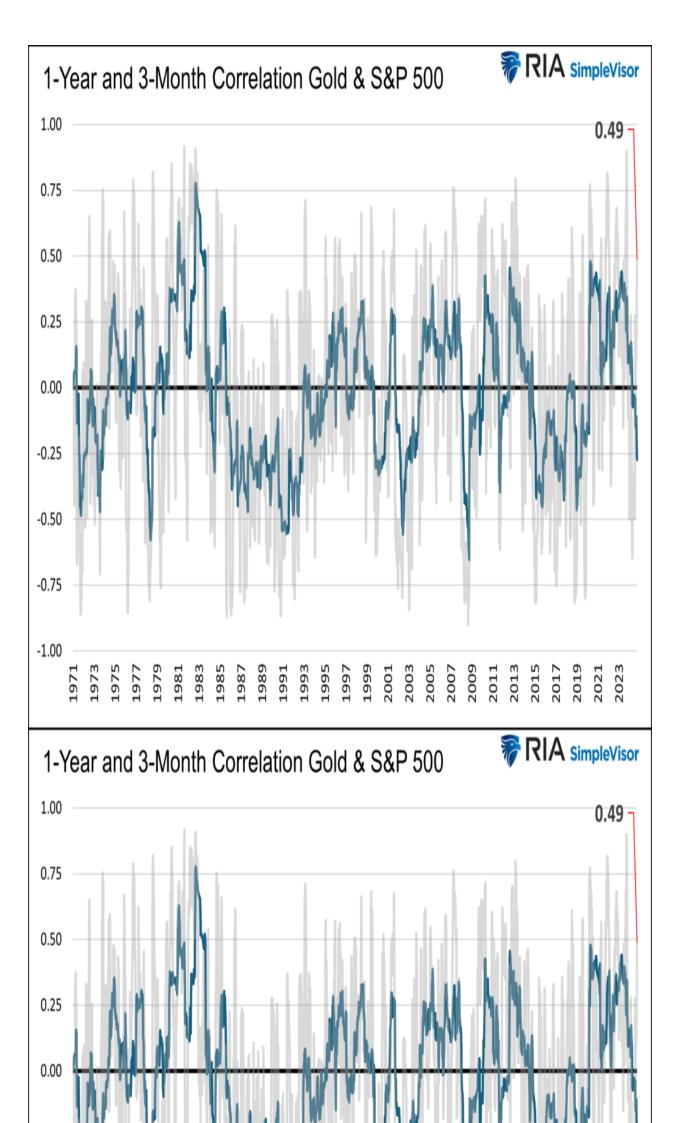
The answer to our reader?s question is yes. Given the political risks, dealers were probably short more bonds than is typical. However, the auction is not, by any stretch, the primary driver of higher yields.

Why Is Gold Surging?

Record deficit spending, soaring money supply, and inflation are among the likely responses we would hear from investors to the question of why gold is surging. Instead of presuming those or other market narratives about gold prices are correct, let?s analyze historical correlations between gold and economic and market data.

In addition to helping you better appreciate why gold is surging, our analysis will help you recognize that market narratives explaining asset price movements can be wrong, no matter how reasonable they may seem at first blush.

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