

Banorte Research and Strategy

Financial Markets Daily

Main drivers for the financial markets today...

- Negative stock markets, dollar posting gains, and mixed government bond yields, amid concerns that the pandemic will last longer than anticipated due to an increase in the number of infections and delays in the vaccination process. Markets are attentive to the FOMC's monetary policy decision and tech companies results
- We don't expect changes in the reference rate nor in the Fed's asset purchase program. Eyes will be on the central bank president Jerome Powell's conference, who we expect will confirm his recent public comment that this is not the time to talk about a policy exit, and that there are many months to go before tapering starts
- Chile's central bank will also announce its monetary policy decision, where the
 reference rate is estimated to remain at 0.5%. It should keep a dovish bias and the
 door opened for more accommodation if needed
- In the US, Gina Raimondo, nominated by Biden for Secretary of Commerce, gave a testimony, mentioning that aggressive measures must be taken to combat China's unfair trade practices
- As for economic figures, the US durable goods report for December will be released. The consensus estimates a 1.0% m/m increase, maintaining the same pace than in the previous month. For the capital goods orders excluding defense and aircraft, the estimated advance is 0.5% m/m

The most relevant economic data...

	Event/Period	Unit	Banorte	Survey	Previous
United Sta	tes				
8:30	Durable goods orders* - Dec (P)	% m/m		0.9	1.0
8:30	Ex transportation* - Dec (P)	% m/m		0.5	0.4
14:00	FOMC Rate Decision (Upper Bound)	%	0.25	0.25	0.25
14:00	FOMC Rate Decision (Lower Bound)	%	0.00	0.00	0.00
14:00	Interest Rate on Excess Reserves (IOER)	%		0.10	0.10
14:30	Powell Holds Post-FOMC Meeting Press Conference				
Mexico					
11:30	Extraordinary Cetes auction 182-, 238-, 350-, and 616-day				
Chile					
16:00	Monetary policy decision (BCRP)	%	0.00	0.50	0.50

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A glimpse to the main financial assets

	Last	Daily chg.
Equity indices		
S&P 500 Futures	3,801.25	-1.1%
Euro Stoxx 50	3,531.61	-1.7%
Nikkei 225	28,635.21	0.3%
Shanghai Composite	3,573.34	0.1%
Currencies		
USD/MXN	20.16	0.9%
EUR/USD	1.21	-0.4%
DXY	90.52	0.4%
Commodities		
WTI	52.69	0.2%
Brent	56.04	0.2%
Gold	1,841.21	-0.5%
Copper	357.45	-1.2%
Sovereign bonds		
10-year Treasury	1.02	-2pb

Source: Bloomberg

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Equities

- Stock markets with mostly negative movements, as investors remain attentive to
 the first Fed meeting of the year, as well as to important quarterly reports from
 technology companies. In contrast, uncertainty about the pandemic, after
 surpassing 100 million infections, weighs negatively on market sentiment
- In the US, futures anticipate a negative opening, with the S&P500 trading at -1.2%. Likewise, in Europe, the Stoxx 600 falls 1.2%. In Asia, the Hang Seng lost 0.3% and the Shanghai Comp rose 0.1%
- On the corporate front, GCC and Gmexico reported above expectations yesterday, while today we expect FIBRAPL's results. Chedraui, for its part, presented its 2021 guidance with estimates slightly above our projections. Meanwhile, in the US, we highlight the reports from Apple, Facebook and Tesla, after market close

Sovereign fixed income, currencies and commodities

- Mixed movements in global rates with European bonds adjusting +/-1bp, while
 the US Treasuries print gains of 1bp in the long-end of the yield curve. In local
 terms, the Mbonos' curve closed yesterday with a 3bps rally in mid-term
 securities, while the 10-year benchmark ended the session at 5.61% (+3bps)
- The USD trades positive (BBDXY +0.4%) amid a negative performance in G10 currencies with NOK leading losses (-0.9%). In EM, bias is also negative with MXN trading at 20.18 (-0.9%) as the second weakest currency, after a 0.6% appreciation yesterday
- Crude-oil trades with gains (+0.2%) after an unexpected fall in US inventories reported by API yesterday that offsets concerns about demand recovery. Today's focus is on EIA's inventory report at 10:30am. Metals print a negative performance with gold trading at 1,864 \$/oz t (-0.6%) and zinc adjusting -1.4%

Corporate Debt

- Banco Invex (Trustee) informed that an early amortization for issuance TFOVICB 20U will take place today for an amount of MXN 47.33 million
- Unifin Financiera announced that it carried out the pricing of an offering of Senior Notes for US\$400 million, with an annual interest rate of 9.875% and a maturity date in 2029; as well as the final terms of its previously announced Exchange Offer
- S&P Global Ratings confirmed Almacenadora Mercader's long and short-term ratings at 'mxA+' and 'mxA-1'; the outlook remained Stable

Previous closing levels

	Last	Daily chg.
Equity indices		
Dow Jones	30,937.04	-0.1%
S&P 500	3,849.62	-0.1%
Nasdaq	13,626.06	-0.1%
IPC	45,053.56	-0.2%
Ibovespa	116,464.10	-0.8%
Euro Stoxx 50	3,592.83	1.1%
FTSE 100	6,654.01	0.2%
CAC 40	5,523.52	0.9%
DAX	13,870.99	1.7%
Nikkei 225	28,546.18	-1.0%
Hang Seng	29,391.26	-2.5%
Shanghai Composite	3,569.43	-1.5%
Sovereign bonds		
2-year Treasuries	0.12	1pb
10-year Treasuries	1.03	1pb
28-day Cetes	4.22	-3pb
28-day TIIE	4.46	0pb
2-year Mbono	4.22	-2pb
10-year Mbono	5.60	1pb
Currencies		
USD/MXN	19.99	-0.6%
EUR/USD	1.22	0.2%
GBP/USD	1.37	0.4%
DXY	90.17	-0.2%
Commodities		
WTI	52.61	-0.3%
Brent	55.91	0.1%
Mexican mix	51.58	-0.1%
Gold	1,850.92	-0.3%
Copper	361.95	-0.3%

Source: Bloomberg



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