



## Market Observations - as of September 8, 2023

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Last week the mild rally we saw late last Friday (Aug. 25<sup>th</sup>) continued higher Monday then accelerated with a large range day up on Tuesday. Wednesday saw a slower continuation higher that was followed with a higher high and higher low Thursday but with a close at the low of the day. Friday saw a small gap up to new highs for the week but was quickly followed by selling to fill the gap and deliver a lower low for the day below Thursday's lows. The week ended higher in most major indexes.

This week was a short week with the US Markets closed on Monday for the Labor Day Holiday. Tuesday saw a pause and small decline in the S&P while the Nasdaq saw a mild rally higher. Wednesday saw a gap down followed by strong selling the first half of the day. The last 3 hours of Wednesday saw a small bounce that only recovered a very small part of the day's decline (less than 25%). Thursday saw a large gap down at the open that slowly rallied most of the day without filling the opening gap. Friday saw a small rally the first hour then drifted lower the rest of the day to end the day nearly flat or with a small loss.

The week ended with most all major indexes down for the week with the Russell and Transports showing the biggest declines.

The US Dollar strengthened nearly every day this week while Oil prices continued to rise for 2 days then paused near its new highs for 2 days. News of Saudi Arabia and Russia cutting production for the rest of this year likely helped to hold up prices this week. Gold prices fell for 2 days then paused for 2 days.

10 year Yields rose sharply for 2 days then paused for a day and pulled back a tiny bit on Friday.

Utilities showed rotation back into this sector this week as the 'Risk Off' defensive tactics appeared again, replacing the 'Risk Off' tactics we briefly saw last week.

The lows we saw this week on Thursday could be Support and the Markets rally up from here next week. OR, the bears are becoming a bit stronger and are inspired to increase their selling next week. OR, we see a pause and horizontal chop action while the Bulls and Bears take a break from their battle. All 3 scenarios remain possible next week, so we will **prepare** by imagining each one playing out, what evidence we would need to see to confirm each scenario and what action (if any) is appropriate for us to take once we see that confirmation.

We do not need to know the future to succeed, but we do need to do the right things when the evidence we are looking for appears, knowing that our 'edge' is in our favor and we will manage our risks regardless of a win or loss.

Now, let's look at the charts to see what they are telling us.



S&P 500 weekly chart as of Sep 8, 2023 - After a two week rally we see a pull back and 'Inside' week this week.



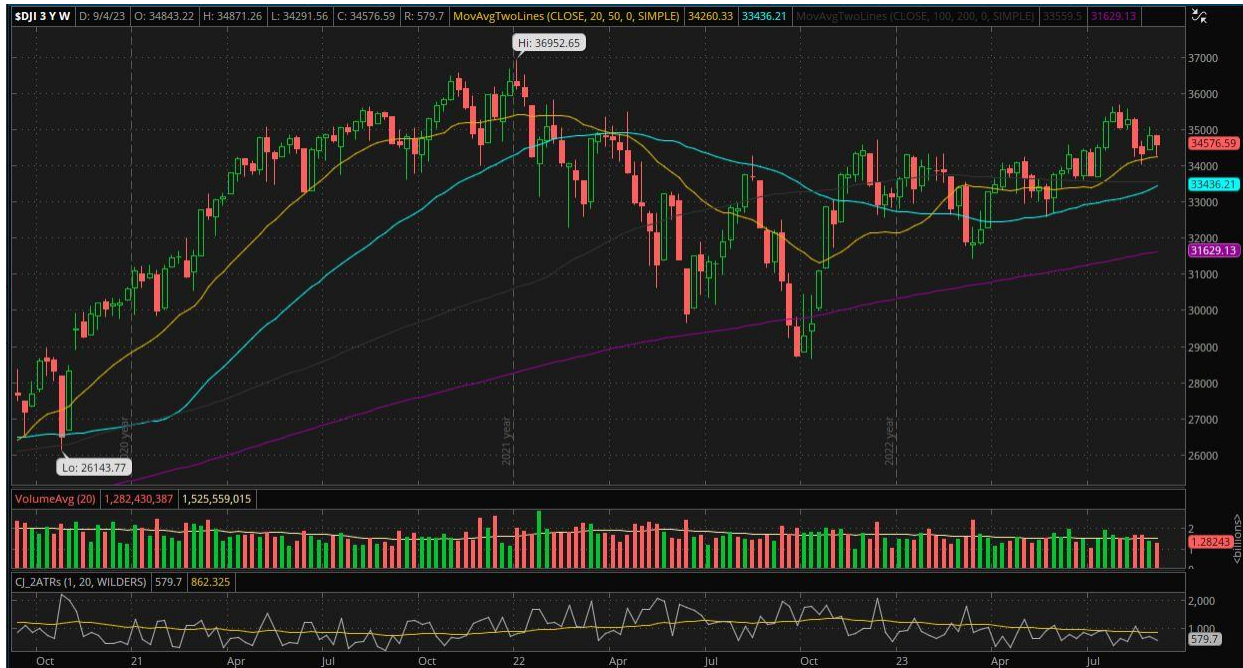
S&P 500 daily chart as of Sep 8, 2023 - The rally last week peaked on last Friday and is followed by 3 days this week with lower highs and lower lows, crossing below its 50 day SMA on Wednesday and dipping below its 20 day SMA on Thursday. Friday closed below its 50 day SMA to end the week down - 1.29%.



S&P 500 15 min. chart as of Sep 8, 2023 - We saw a pause on Tuesday that remained below its 15min. 50 period SMA (blue) all day. Wednesday saw a gap down and selling lower the first half of the day that crossed below its lower weekly Expected Move in the first hour. The S&P then reversed and saw a small rally the last 3 hours of the day that failed to cross back above the lower weekly Expected Move.

Thursday saw a larger gap down that came within 10 points of the -2x Expected Move, paused then rallied the rest of the day to fill only about half of the opening gap. Friday saw a small rally the first hour up to and straddled the lower Expected Move for 2 hours before drifting lower the rest of the day. Friday saw a close below the lower weekly Expected Move.





DJIA weekly chart as of Sep 8, 2023 - The Industrials saw a rally last week and a decline this week with lower highs, lower lows and a lower close. The 20 week SMA provided Support this week.



DJIA daily chart as of Sep 8, 2023 - Last Friday saw a pause above its 50 day SMA. Tuesday of this week we see a decline that crossed below its 50 day and 20 day SMAs and closed below both. Wednesday saw lower lows, lower highs and a lower close. Thursday saw an 'Inside' day with a higher close. Friday saw a small rally with a higher high and a higher low but failed to reach its 20 day SMA, ending the week down -0.75%.



Nasdaq weekly chart as of Sep 8, 2023 - The Nasdaq composite saw a 2 week rally followed by a decline this week with an 'Inside' week.



Nasdaq daily chart as of Sep 8, 2023 - We saw 3 days with lower lows and lower highs, gapping below its 50 day SMA on Thursday and crossing briefly below its 20 day SMA that same day. Friday saw a small bounce with a higher high and higher low to end the week down -1.93%.



Russell 2000 weekly chart as of Sep 8, 2023 - The Russell saw a strong rally last week from its 20 week SMA support that was all given back this week with a lower high, lower low and lower close below its 20 week SMA.



Russell 2000 daily chart as of Sep 8, 2023 - The rally we saw last week was all given back this week as the Russell returned to the \$1850 area where it previously loitered two weeks ago. The Russell ended this week down -3.61%.



Next we will look at a few key 'Market Internals'.



McClellan Summation Index weekly chart as of Sep 8, 2023 - Last week we saw a small bounce up to +39.17. This week we see a smaller decline back below 'zero' down to -8.87.



McClellan Summation Index daily chart as of Sep 8, 2023 - We saw a decline this week from last week's highs down to -8.87.



NYSE Percent above 200 day SMA daily chart as of Sep 8, 2023 - Last week we saw an increase up to 57.89%. This week we saw a decline each day to end this week at 50.75%.



NYSE Percent above 50 day SMA daily chart as of Sep 8, 2023 - Last week we saw an increase up to 50.75%. This week we saw a 3 day decline down to about 35.5% and a small bounce on Friday to end this week at 36.25%.

All 4 of the above charts show a decline this week.





VIX daily chart as of Sep 8, 2023 - We saw the VIX rise a little for 3 days, briefly touching its 20 day SMA on Thursday before decline on Friday.



VVIX daily chart as of Sep 8, 2023 - We saw a gap up on Tuesday followed by higher highs the next 2 days. Friday was a gap down to end the week near its lowest lows for this week.

Next we will look at a few key Commodities, Currency and Treasuries.



Oil daily chart as of Sep 8, 2023 - Oil continued its rally Tuesday and Wednesday then paused Thursday with an 'Inside' day. Friday saw only a small bounce to end this week near its new 9-month highs



Gold daily chart as of Sep 8, 2023 - Gold prices declined Tuesday down to its 50 day SMA and then down to its 20 day SMA on Wednesday. Thursday saw a pause near its 20 day SMA. Friday again saw a pause after a brief test of its 50 day SMA before returning to its 20 day SMA.





US Dollar Index daily chart as of Sep 8, 2023 - The US Dollar continued its rally Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday then pulled back only a little on Friday.



US 10 year Treasury daily chart as of Sep 8, 2023 - The 10 year saw light volume this week as it sold lower Tuesday and Wednesday. Thursday bounced back above its 20 day SMA then paused Friday and closed back below its 20 day SMA.

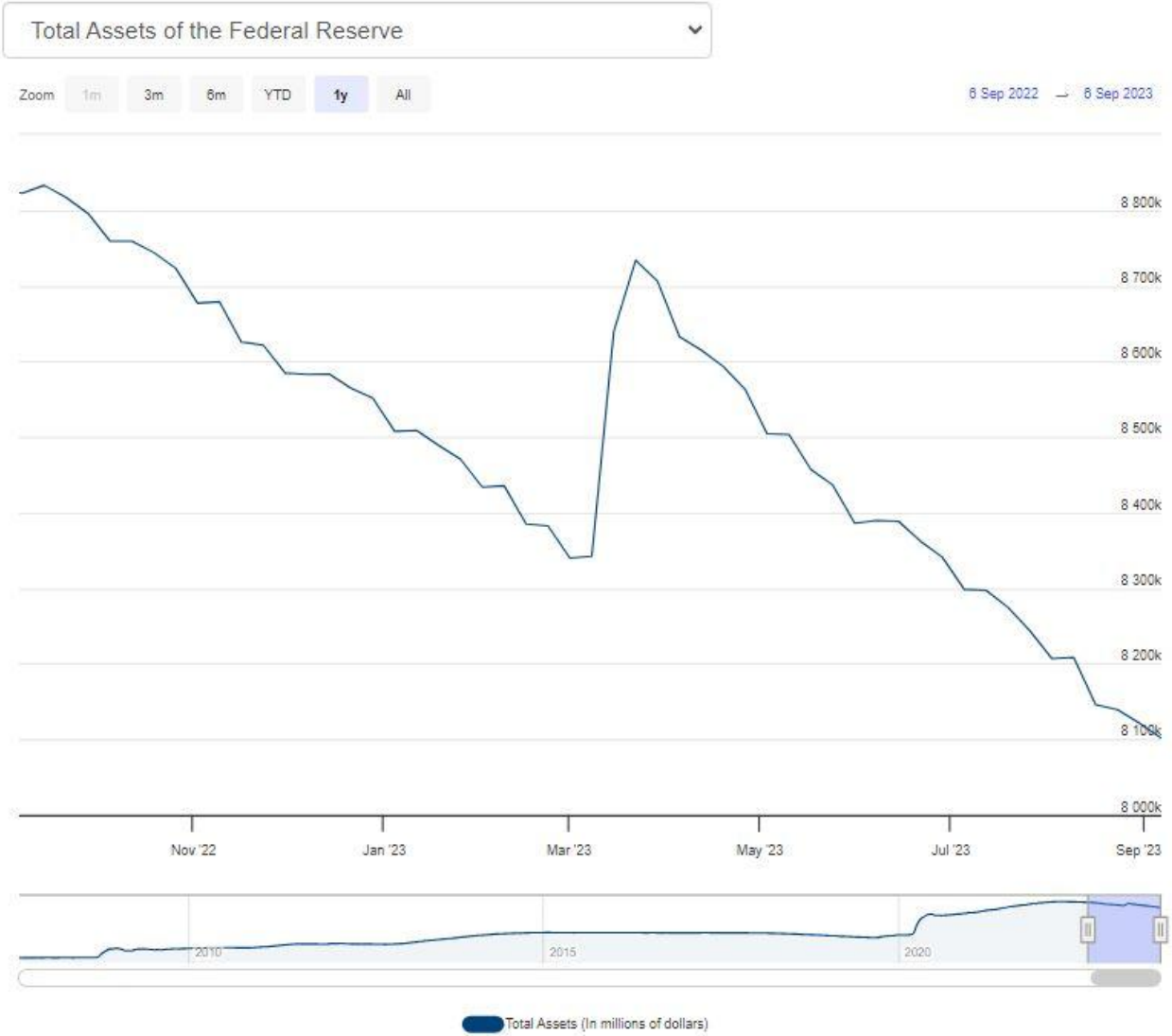




US 10 year Yield daily chart as of Sep 8, 2023 - As the Treasury sold lower, Yields increased Tuesday and Wednesday, paused Thursday and then saw a very small decline Friday.

Date	1 Mo	2 Mo	3 Mo	4 Mo	6 Mo	1 Yr	2 Yr	3 Yr	5 Yr	7 Yr	10 Yr	20 Yr	30 Yr
8/1/2023	5.49	5.54	5.54	5.57	5.54	5.38	4.92	4.57	4.24	4.15	4.05	4.30	4.11
8/2/2023	5.48	5.53	5.53	5.54	5.52	5.36	4.88	4.54	4.24	4.17	4.08	4.35	4.17
8/3/2023	5.54	5.52	5.54	5.53	5.52	5.37	4.90	4.58	4.30	4.26	4.20	4.49	4.32
8/4/2023	5.54	5.51	5.54	5.52	5.50	5.33	4.78	4.45	4.15	4.10	4.05	4.36	4.21
8/7/2023	5.54	5.51	5.56	5.53	5.53	5.30	4.76	4.44	4.16	4.13	4.09	4.42	4.27
8/8/2023	5.54	5.53	5.57	5.52	5.53	5.35	4.74	4.36	4.10	4.06	4.02	4.35	4.20
8/9/2023	5.51	5.52	5.55	5.34	5.54	5.35	4.79	4.41	4.12	4.07	4.00	4.33	4.18
8/10/2023	5.55	5.52	5.54	5.53	5.52	5.33	4.82	4.47	4.21	4.17	4.09	4.41	4.24
8/11/2023	5.54	5.51	5.54	5.54	5.52	5.36	4.89	4.56	4.31	4.26	4.16	4.45	4.27
8/14/2023	5.55	5.52	5.56	5.53	5.56	5.37	4.96	4.64	4.36	4.29	4.19	4.46	4.29
8/15/2023	5.53	5.52	5.56	5.51	5.55	5.36	4.92	4.64	4.36	4.31	4.21	4.49	4.32
8/16/2023	5.52	5.53	5.56	5.54	5.54	5.37	4.97	4.68	4.42	4.37	4.28	4.55	4.38
8/17/2023	5.55	5.52	5.56	5.54	5.53	5.36	4.94	4.67	4.42	4.38	4.30	4.58	4.41
8/18/2023	5.53	5.52	5.55	5.54	5.52	5.35	4.92	4.63	4.38	4.34	4.26	4.55	4.38
8/21/2023	5.55	5.53	5.57	5.55	5.58	5.37	4.97	4.70	4.46	4.42	4.34	4.64	4.45
8/22/2023	5.54	5.53	5.57	5.55	5.57	5.39	5.02	4.75	4.49	4.44	4.34	4.61	4.42
8/23/2023	5.54	5.53	5.57	5.56	5.55	5.35	4.95	4.64	4.36	4.30	4.19	4.46	4.27
8/24/2023	5.55	5.53	5.58	5.57	5.59	5.39	4.98	4.69	4.39	4.34	4.23	4.49	4.30
8/25/2023	5.56	5.53	5.61	5.59	5.61	5.44	5.03	4.72	4.44	4.37	4.25	4.50	4.30
8/28/2023	5.56	5.53	5.58	5.60	5.56	5.44	4.98	4.69	4.38	4.32	4.20	4.48	4.29
8/29/2023	5.54	5.53	5.56	5.57	5.52	5.37	4.87	4.56	4.26	4.21	4.12	4.42	4.23
8/30/2023	5.55	5.53	5.56	5.60	5.51	5.39	4.90	4.57	4.27	4.22	4.12	4.42	4.23
8/31/2023	5.52	5.55	5.56	5.61	5.48	5.37	4.85	4.54	4.23	4.19	4.09	4.39	4.20
9/1/2023	5.51	5.55	5.53	5.58	5.47	5.36	4.87	4.57	4.29	4.27	4.18	4.48	4.29
9/5/2023	5.51	5.56	5.55	5.59	5.51	5.42	4.94	4.65	4.37	4.35	4.27	4.56	4.38
9/6/2023	5.52	5.55	5.55	5.60	5.52	5.44	5.01	4.73	4.44	4.39	4.30	4.56	4.37
9/7/2023	5.52	5.56	5.53	5.59	5.50	5.40	4.94	4.66	4.38	4.35	4.27	4.55	4.36
9/8/2023	5.52	5.56	5.55	5.60	5.49	5.42	4.98	4.68	4.39	4.35	4.26	4.52	4.33

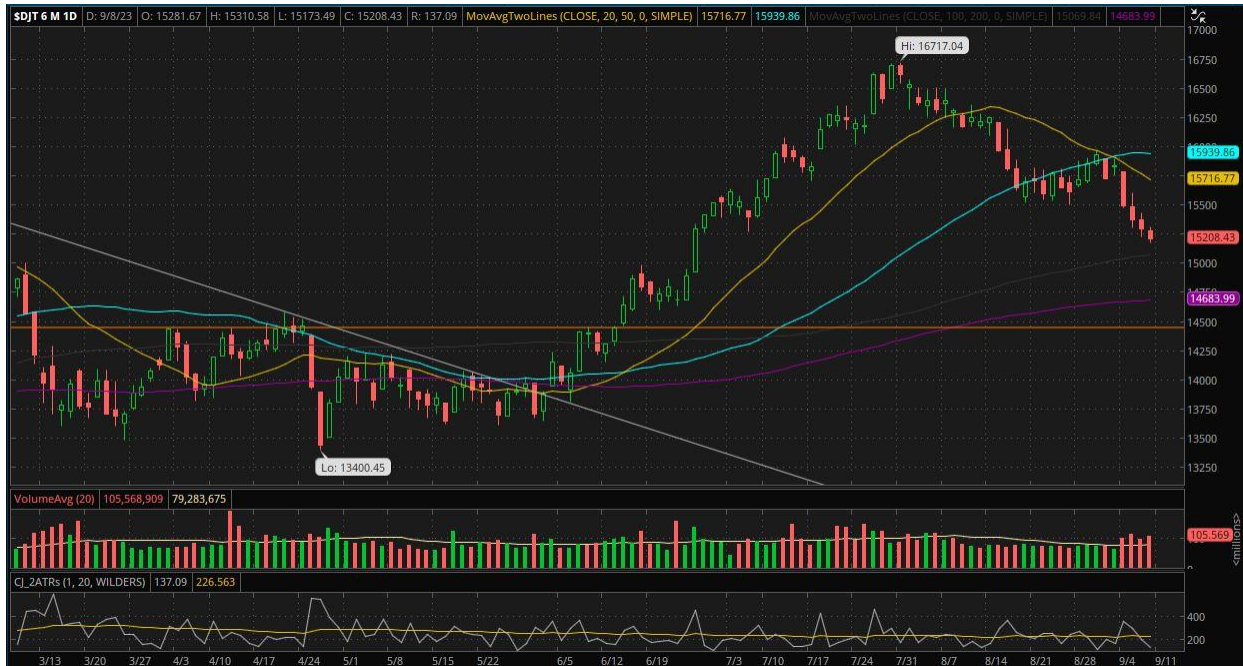
US Yield Rates daily table as of Sep 8, 2023 - The short term Yields changed very little this week while the longer terms rose and peaked Wednesday and then pulled back a little Thursday and Friday.



FOMC Balance Sheet Weekly chart as of Sep 6, 2023 - The Fed decreased its Balance Sheet this week by \$19.998 Billion to a new Total Assets of \$8.101318 Trillion.

Next we will look at a few key Sectors.





Dow Transportation Index daily chart as of Sep 8, 2023 - The Transports saw a sharp decline Tuesday that continued every day this week on strong volume, ending the week down -3.96% with new 10-week lows.



XLE daily chart as of Sep 8, 2023 - The Energy sector continued its rally this week as Oil prices rose. Tuesday saw a large gap up that paused Wednesday and Thursday and then rallied higher Friday to new 7-month highs ending the week up +1.44%..



XLF daily chart as of Sep 8, 2023 - The Financial sector saw a sharp decline Tuesday below its 50 day SMA and to find support at its 20 day SMA. Wednesday dropped to test for support at its 200 day SMA then bounced and closed just above its 20 day SMA. Thursday saw an 'Inside' day and close below its 20 day SMA. Friday saw another 'Inside' day with a close back above its 20 day SMA to end the week down -1.12%.



QQQ daily chart as of Sep 8, 2023 - The Nasdaq-100 ETF saw lower lows and lower highs Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, gapping below its 50 day SMA on Thursday. Friday saw a bounce back above its 50 day SMA to end the week down -1.33%.





SOXX daily chart as of Sep 8, 2023 - The Semiconductor sector saw a wider range day Tuesday that only closed lower by a few cents. Wednesday saw a lower low, lower high and lower close. Thursday saw a large gap down below its 50 day SMA down to its 20 day SMA. Friday saw a lower close to end the week down -3.53%.



XLC daily chart as of Sep 8, 2023 - The Communication Services sector saw a pause Tuesday near last Friday's close. Wednesday saw lower lows, lower highs and a test of the 50 day SMA as support. Thursday saw a wider range day with a drop below its 20 day SMA and a high above the prior day's highs with a close above the 50 day and 20 day SMAs. Friday saw an 'Inside' day with a higher close to end the week down -0.21%.



<b>INDEXes</b>	<b>Week Ending</b>	<b>Week Ending</b>	<b>Week Ending</b>	<b>Week Ending</b>	<b>Week Ending</b>	<b>Week Ending</b>	<b>Week Ending</b>
<b>SECTORS</b>	<b>7/28/2023</b>	<b>8/4/2023</b>	<b>8/11/2023</b>	<b>8/18/2023</b>	<b>8/25/2023</b>	<b>9/1/2023</b>	<b>9/8/2023</b>
\$SPX	1.01%	-2.27%	-0.31%	-2.11%	0.82%	2.50%	-1.29%
\$INDU	0.66%	-1.11%	0.62%	-2.21%	-0.45%	1.43%	-0.75%
\$COMPQ	2.02%	-2.85%	-1.90%	-2.59%	2.26%	3.25%	-1.93%
\$RUT	1.09%	-1.22%	-1.65%	-3.41%	-0.31%	3.63%	-3.61%
QQQ	2.09%	-2.98%	-1.56%	-2.21%	1.64%	3.73%	-1.33%
\$TRAN	2.85%	-2.25%	-0.67%	-3.14%	-0.55%	1.41%	-3.96%
XLE	1.84%	1.25%	3.43%	-1.21%	-1.37%	3.60%	1.44%
XLF	-0.17%	-0.82%	0.03%	-2.69%	0.03%	2.06%	-1.12%
XLK	1.03%	-3.81%	-2.49%	-1.16%	2.27%	4.44%	-1.94%
SOXX	4.39%	-3.77%	-5.13%	-1.23%	1.04%	5.41%	-3.53%
XLV	-0.77%	-2.06%	2.47%	-1.58%	-0.09%	0.12%	-1.13%
XLY	1.04%	-0.70%	-1.07%	-4.16%	1.23%	3.04%	-0.54%
XRT	1.76%	-0.70%	-1.15%	-1.71%	-4.37%	4.21%	-4.07%
XLI	0.56%	-1.74%	0.60%	-2.43%	0.28%	2.12%	-2.91%
XLU	-2.07%	-4.55%	0.91%	-1.67%	0.22%	-1.56%	0.86%
XME	1.99%	-1.90%	-1.41%	0.49%	-1.58%	5.54%	-3.29%
XLP	0.62%	-1.91%	0.20%	-2.38%	-0.82%	-0.39%	-0.61%
XLB	1.81%	-1.99%	-1.02%	-2.28%	-0.04%	3.74%	-2.41%
XLC	4.96%	-2.50%	0.04%	-3.07%	0.49%	2.63%	-0.21%
XHB	2.38%	-0.69%	-0.75%	-4.41%	-0.30%	6.21%	-3.57%

Weekly Percent Change US Indexes and Sectors table as of Sep 8, 2023 - The Russell 2000 and Dow Transports saw the largest declines this week followed by the Nasdaq. The S&P-500 and the Dow Industrials saw only minor declines this week.

The strongest sector this week was XLE (Energy) and the only two sectors on my list that were up this week were XLE and XLU, all the other sectors were down this week. Sectors that saw less than a -1% decline this week included: XLC, XLY and XLP.

The Weakest sector this week was XRT (Retail) followed by: Transports, XHB, SOXX, and XME who were all down by over -3% this week.

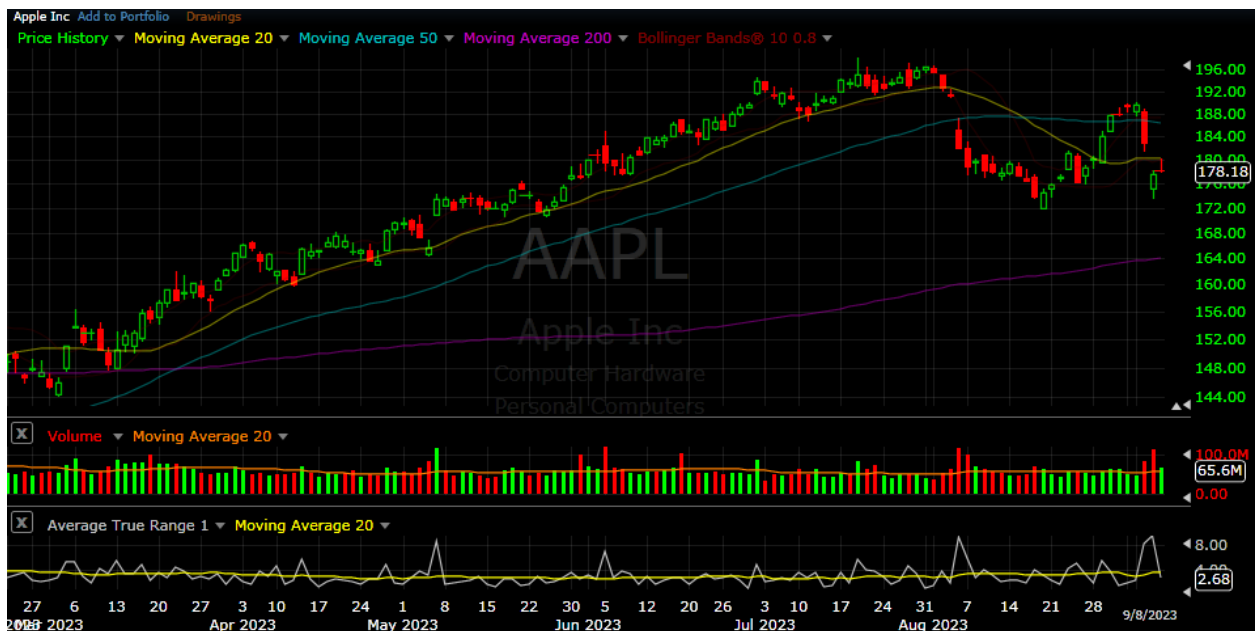
Note how the SOXX was one of the stronger sectors last week and became one of the weaker sectors this week. This sector continues to give us clues as it has often led markets both higher and lower.

With breadth indicators all showing weakness this week, and with the Nasdaq-100 not leading the decline this week, this suggest that the Biggest 7 Tech stocks were not alone in leading markets lower this week. This week does 'NOT' look like narrow breadth leading the markets, and we saw a broader decline. With 14 out of 16 sectors lower this week, this too shows us broader breadth to this week's decline. We will see below when we look at the BIG 7 charts if some or all led markets down this week.

INDEXes SECTORs	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri
	End of Day 08/28/23	End of Day 08/29/23	End of Day 08/30/23	End of Day 08/31/23	End of Day 09/01/23	Holiday 09/04/23	End of Day 09/05/23	End of Day 09/06/23	End of Day 09/07/23	End of Day 09/08/23
\$SPX	0.63%	1.45%	0.38%	-0.16%	0.18%	n/a	-0.42%	-0.70%	-0.32%	0.14%
\$INDU	0.62%	0.85%	0.11%	-0.48%	0.33%	n/a	-0.56%	-0.57%	0.17%	0.22%
\$COMPQ	0.84%	1.74%	0.54%	0.11%	-0.02%	n/a	-0.08%	-1.06%	-0.89%	0.09%
\$RUT	0.83%	1.42%	0.40%	-0.19%	1.11%	n/a	-2.10%	-0.33%	-0.99%	-0.23%
QQQ	0.75%	2.18%	0.56%	0.30%	-0.11%	n/a	0.13%	-0.86%	-0.72%	0.14%
\$STRAN	0.66%	0.86%	0.47%	-1.28%	0.70%	n/a	-2.19%	-0.74%	-0.49%	-0.59%

Daily Percent Change US Indexes table as of Sep 8, 2023 - The Dow Industrials showed relative strength on Thursday and Friday with small gains those two days. The Dow Transportation Index showed us relative weakness on both Tuesday and Friday this week. The Russell 2000 rotated from strength Wednesday to weakness on Thursday. The QQQ showed some strength on Tuesday and the Nasdaq composite showed its weakness the next day on Wednesday this week.

Next we will look at a few key Stocks, the same names we looked the last two weeks to see how they acted this week.



AAPL daily chart as of Sep 8, 2023 - Apple saw a pause Tuesday near last Friday's close. Wednesday saw a sharp decline below its 50 day SMA. Thursday saw a gap below the 20 day SMA and nearly to the prior lows seen Aug. 18<sup>th</sup> with a small rally. Friday saw a rally up to its 20 day SMA that failed and pulled back to end the day nearly flat, ending the week down -5.95%.



MSFT daily chart as of Sep 8, 2023 - Microsoft rallied above its 50 day SMA on Tuesday then pulled back below the next 2 days without exceeding Tuesday's lows. Friday saw a rally back above its 50 day SMA with new highs for the week and a higher close to end the week up +1.71%.



GOOGL daily chart as of Sep 8, 2023 - Alphabet delivered new 52 week highs last week on Thursday then was followed last Friday with lower highs and lower lows. This week we see lower lows continue on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday that remained above its 20 day SMA. Friday saw a bounce, higher high, higher low and higher close to end the week up +0.53%.





AMZN daily chart as of Sep 8, 2023 - Amazon saw a decline Tuesday and Wednesday that crossed below its 20 day SMA on Wednesday. Thursday saw a gap down and test of Support at its 50 day SMA then rallied back above its 20 day SMA and closed with new highs for this week. Friday saw higher highs, higher lows and a higher close to end the week up +0.08%.



TSLA daily chart as of Sep 8, 2023 - Tesla Oscillated within last Friday's range, below its 50 day SMA and above its 20 day SMA all this week with alternating days and ending this week up +1.42%.



NVDA daily chart as of Sep 8, 2023 - Nvidia rallied last week and failed to reach the all time highs from the prior week and began its decline last Friday. This week the decline continued with lower lows and lower highs Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, crossing below its 20 day SMA on Thursday and nearly reaching its 50 day SMA before bouncing and closing the day back above its 20 day SMA. Friday saw a higher high but a lower close back below its 20 day SMA to end the week down -6.05%.



META daily chart as of Sep 8, 2023 - Meta continued to straddle its 50 day SMA every day this week with wider range days on Wednesday and Thursday. Friday saw a close below its 50 day SMA to end the week up +0.51%.

Let's compare the above 7 biggest stocks in the table below to help see the relative strength last week as compared to this week.

Stock	% Change Last week	% Change This week
QQQ	3.73%	-1.33%
AAPL	6.07%	-5.95%
MSFT	1.76%	1.71%
GOOGL	4.45%	0.53%
AMZN	3.65%	0.08%
TSLA	2.69%	1.42%
NVDA	5.41%	-6.05%
META	3.81%	0.51%

In the table above the green highlighted values are where the gains were greater than were the QQQ's gains (or losses) for that week.

Note that 5 stocks ended this week higher while the QQQ ended this week with a decline. Those 5 were outliers this week, ignoring the broader market trends and holding up well. The two stocks that were down this week were down BIG, nearly -6% down each this week. These two seemed to lead the markets lower this week, META and Apple.

Another comparison is what stocks in this list of 7 ended this week above all 3 of their key daily SMAs (20 day, 50 day and 200 day)? MSFT, GOOGL and AMZN all ended this week above all 3 of their key daily SMAs 'AND' they all did better than the QQQ this week. If you were looking for solid longer term stocks, then maybe these three would earn their way onto that list.





JPM daily chart as of Sep 8, 2023 - JP Morgan paused in the \$146 to \$148 area most of the prior 2 weeks then began to break below that zone on Tuesday this week and continued with lower lows and lower highs each day that followed. JPM ended this week down -2.04%.



CAT daily chart as of Sep 8, 2023 - Caterpillar saw a nice rally last week that peaked at Tuesday's opening this week before selling lower. CAT saw lower lows and lower highs Wednesday and Thursday and tested its 20 day SMA as support on Thursday. Friday saw a small bounce and 'Inside' day to end the week down -1.39%.



COST daily chart as of Sep 8, 2023 - Costco saw a rally last week with a lower close last Friday. This week we see a pause and 'Inside' day Tuesday followed by a gap down and rally Wednesday up to its 50 day SMA but closed below both its 20 day and 50 day SMAs. Thursday saw a higher high, higher low and higher close above both its 20 day and 50 day SMAs. Friday saw a small rally, higher high, higher low and higher close to end the week up +1.28%.



AMD daily chart as of Sep 8, 2023 - AMD saw a rally up to its 50 day SMA Tuesday but failed to close above that SMA. Wednesday saw another test of its 50 day SMA and closed lower. Thursday saw a gap down below its 20 day SMA and failed to close above that SMA. Friday saw a wider range failed attempt that closed even lower below its 20 day SMA, ending the week down -3.07%.



INTC daily chart as of Sep 8, 2023 - Intel saw a strong break out last week and continued higher on Tuesday this week. Wednesday saw a lower high and lower low but a higher close. Thursday saw a strong rally with new 52 week highs delivered on Thursday and Friday this week. Friday saw a higher high, higher low and a lower close to end the week up 3.82%.



HAL daily chart as of Sep 8, 2023 - Halliburton saw a nice rally last week (+4.35%) crossing above its 20 day SMA last Friday. This week the rally continued with higher highs, higher lows and higher closes every day this week, ending the week with new 7-month highs and up another +4.11%.





SLB daily chart as of Sep 8, 2023 - Schlumberger saw a strong rally last week (+6.48%) that continued higher Tuesday and Wednesday of this week. Thursday saw an 'Inside' day pause followed by a small pullback Friday to end the week up +0.50%.



TGT daily chart as of Sep 8, 2023 - Target saw a big drop after reporting Earnings in late May then was mostly horizontal for 10 weeks before reporting Earnings in mid August. We saw a sharp reaction to Earnings followed by a gap down one week later (Aug. 22<sup>nd</sup>) to new 3-year lows 2 weeks ago. Last week saw a small bounce that found Resistance at its 20 day SMA and pulled back last Friday. This week we see a decline Tuesday and Wednesday, a pause Thursday and more declines on Friday to end this week down -1.46%. TGT remains below all 3 of its key daily SMAs.



DE daily chart as of Sep 8, 2023 - John Deere saw a strong rally last week that peaked early Tuesday this week and failed to continue higher, closing back below its 50 day SMA. Wednesday saw a decline down to its 20 day SMA. Thursday saw a brief break below its 20 day and 200 day SMAs but closed back above both SMAs. Friday saw a strong decline that crossed and closed below its 20 day and 200 day SMAs, ending this week down -4.59%. DE is now below all 3 of its key daily SMAs.

Out of the above 9 stocks (JPM, CAT, COST, AMD, INTC, HAL, SLB, TGT and DE) what names are now above all 3 of their key daily SMAs (20d, 50d and 200d)?

Have any of these names provided a buyable dip lately?

What names are now below all 3 of their key daily SMAs?

Have any of these names provided a sellable failed rally lately?

FYI, the SOXX was the weakest sector all day on Thursday this week, and on that day the only Semiconductor stock that was up was INTC and the other 10 Semiconductor stocks on my list were all down that day. That was what I saw both at 30 min. into the trading day and again during the day and at the end of the day on Thursday. Intel was clearly an 'Outlier' that day, ignoring its sector and the overall markets. When a stock is so strong that it can ignore a mostly negative environment, that shows us that its strength is 'significant' and we should not fight it.

Hope this helps you develop your chart reading skills.

Trade Smart,

CJ