

# Weekly Market Summary – 5/20/13

After testing the 1.95-percent level before retreating to 1.86 percent last Friday, the yield on the 10-year Treasury was back up to 1.95 percent on Monday morning. This is a key number for the 10-year; should rates break on the upside, we could see yields of 2 percent or even 2.10 percent. More downside pressure is expected as we head into early summer, however.

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Treasury yields were higher last week, with the 10-year ending the week at 1.89 percent, up from the prior week's 1.72-percent finish. On Monday morning, the yield remained at 1.89 percent.

Strong price momentum pushed equity markets higher last week, and the S&P 500 gained 1.29 percent. Higher-beta indices and the more cyclical sectors led the markets higher as the risk-on trade came back into vogue.

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# Weekly Market Summary – 5/7/13

After a week during which the yield on the 10-year Treasury was pushed to 1.62 percent—its lowest level since December 2012—better-than-expected unemployment numbers helped the 10-year move back up to 1.72 percent late Friday and early Monday morning.

The strong unemployment report on Friday was a big surprise for the markets. Although the unemployment rate did drop modestly, what really grabbed investors' attention was the addition of 75,000 more jobs than analysts had expected both in this month's report and in last month's revision.

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# Weekly Market Summary – 4/29/13

Treasury yields dropped to the lowest levels in more than four months early Monday morning, as the 10-year fell as low as 1.6599 percent. With continued Federal Reserve (Fed) support taking much of the supply and other central banks and funds fighting for the remains, we expect yields to continue moving downward.

The equity markets reversed course last week and returned to their winning ways. The S&P 500 gained 1.76 percent, and the technology heavy Nasdaq gained 2.29 percent. Small-caps fared somewhat better than large-caps, and the Russell 2000 Index

gained just a bit more than 2.5 percent. But it was the MSCI EAFE Index and the stocks in the developed world that posted the largest gain of 3.66 percent on the week. [Read more now.](#)

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## **Weekly Market Summary – 4/22/13**

Treasury yields were essentially flat over the past week. The 10-year yield stood at 1.70 percent early Monday morning, slightly below last Monday's 1.72 percent. Read more now in this week's [market summary](#) (PDF).

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## **Weekly Market Summary – 4/17/13**

Treasury yields were higher last week after having fallen to their lowest levels since the fourth quarter of 2012. The 10-year yield ended the week at 1.72 percent, up from the prior week's 1.68-percent finish, and stood at 1.71 percent Monday morning.

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## Weekly Market Summary – 4/1/13

Both the S&P 500 Index and the Dow Jones Industrial Average set new all-time highs last week, gaining 0.83 percent and 0.46 percent, respectively, in the process.

U.S. Treasury rates were lower heading into the holiday weekend. The yield on the 10-year Treasury stood at 1.83 percent early Thursday morning; it was up slightly to 1.87 percent as of Monday, April 1.

[Read the Allen Insurance and Financial Weekly Market Summary for April 1, 2013.](#)

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## Weekly Market Summary – 3/25/13

Early Monday morning, Treasury yields were approximately the same as they were one week ago. The 10-year yield stood at 1.95 percent on Monday, after testing the lower part of its trading range, 1.89 percent, late last week.

Equity markets reacted negatively last week to the news that Cyprus needed a bailout from the European Union. The S&P 500 was down as much as 1.5 percent in the first two days of trading before recouping some losses later in the week.

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## **Weekly Market Summary – 3/18/13**

The yield on the 10-year Treasury dropped to 1.93 percent early Monday morning, its lowest level in three weeks, as investors moved into perceived safety assets on concerns over Cyprus's debt crisis—which was front-page news. [Read more now.](#)

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## **Weekly Market Summary – 3/11/13**

Treasuries sold off last week, pushing the yield on the 10-year back over 2 percent by early Monday morning. This space continues to exhibit volatility, as the 10-year was as low as 1.83 percent in the prior week. [Read more now.](#)