

Weekly Wrap

The stock market endured its worst week since 2008, as the S&P 500 fell 11.5% while the Dow Jones Industrial Average surrendered 12.4%.

Equities faced heavy selling pressure throughout the week as coronavirus-related fears caught up to the market, which appeared immune to these concerns just a week ago. The accelerating spread of the coronavirus outside of China was the main worry, leading to greater uncertainty about the viability of global supply chains. Intel (INTC) ordered its employees to avoid travel to China and several other countries, but on the bright side, Apple (AAPL) CEO, Tim Cook, said on Thursday that his company is working toward resumption of full production.

U.S. health officials acknowledged that the coronavirus is likely to spread through the U.S., which contributed to the pressure on stocks. The CBOE Volatility Index jumped more than 23 points to 40%, ending the week at its highest level since February 2018 when an inverse volatility ETN imploded.

The communication services sector (-9.5%) was the only group with a slimmer loss than 10.0% while the remaining sectors retreated between 10.4% (consumer staples) and 15.4% (energy). The growth-sensitive energy sector widened its Q1 loss to 24.7% while crude oil lost \$8.54, or 16.0%, since last Friday, falling to its lowest level since late 2018.

Treasuries charged higher throughout the week, sending the 10-yr yield lower by 34 basis points to a fresh record low of 1.13%.

Index	Started Week	Ended Week	Change	% Change	YTD %
DJIA	28992.41	25409.36	-3583.05	-12.4	-11.0
Nasdaq	9576.59	8567.37	-1009.22	-10.5	-4.5
S&P 500	3337.75	2954.22	-383.53	-11.5	-8.6
Russell 2000	1678.61	1476.43	-202.18	-12.0	-11.5

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