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The Week Ahead



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THINGS TO WATCH

Data Deluge

This week features a trio of high-profile U.S. economic releases, beginning with December retail sales tomorrow, the delayed January nonfarm payrolls report on Wednesday, and January consumer price index data on Friday. Bloomberg consensus forecasts call for a 0.4% increase in retail sales, supported by stronger auto demand. The January jobs report is expected to show payroll growth of 60,000–70,000, with the unemployment rate steady at 4.4%. A key focus will also be the Bureau of Labor Statistics' annual revisions, including updates to its "birth-death" adjustment and new population benchmarks from the Census Bureau. A combination of moderate job growth, resilient consumer spending, and tame inflation would likely be the best mix for U.S. stocks.

Hotel Earnings

Quarterly results this week from Marriott International (MAR), Hilton (HLT), Hyatt Hotels (H), and Airbnb (ABNB) are expected to show strong revenue growth per available room supported by robust luxury demand despite weaker government spending during the federal government shutdown. Commentary from management on early trends in 2026 could be particularly optimistic amid a strong international sports calendar, including the Winter Olympics and the FIFA World Cup.

Bitcoin and Crypto-Adjacent Companies

Bitcoin has suffered a 50% drawdown from its intraday all-time high of \$126,272 on October 6 to below \$62,000 last week. Results and commentary from Robinhood Markets (HOOD) and Coinbase Global (COIN) this week should provide a timely update about how participants and enterprises in the digital currency ecosystem are navigating this period of weakness. Any new announcements from the two companies about their plans for expansion into prediction markets could also make headlines.

LAST WEEK'S ECONOMIC DATA	LATEST	3MO PRIOR	CHANGE
ADP Monthly Employment Change - Jan.	22	20	▲
ISM Services PMI - Jan.	53.8	52.0	▲
JOLTS Job Openings (Millions) - Dec.	6.54	7.66	▼
U. of Mich. Consumer Sent. - Feb.	57.3	51.0	▲
U. of Mich. 1YR Inflation Expect. - Feb.	3.5%	4.5%	▼

INDEX	LEVEL	WEEK	YTD	12 MO
DJ Industrial Average	50115.67	2.50%	4.35%	15.07%
NASDAQ	23031.21	-1.83%	-0.88%	18.76%
S&P 500	6932.30	-0.09%	1.35%	16.48%
MSCI EAFE	3057.92	0.51%	6.85%	33.50%
BB U.S. Aggregate	2358.04	0.28%	0.58%	6.84%

KEY BOND RATES	WEEK	1MO AGO	1YR AGO
3-Month T-Bill	3.67%	3.58%	4.32%
10-Year Treasury	4.21%	4.17%	4.43%

REPORTS DUE THIS WEEK	LATEST
Retail Sales (M/M) - Dec.	0.6%
Non-Farm Payrolls (Thousands) - Jan.	50
Unemployment Rate - Jan.	4.4%
Consumer Price Index (Y/Y) - Jan.	2.7%
Core Consumer Price Index (Y/Y) - Jan.	2.6%

Total returns are as of 2/6/26. Source data: Bloomberg and Morningstar are believed to be correct but not verified.

NUMBERS OF THE WEEK

\$650 billion

Over the last two weeks Amazon, Alphabet, Microsoft, and Meta have collectively targeted up to \$650 billion in capital expenditures for 2026, a 60% increase from last year. This infrastructure investment is largely dedicated to scaling high-speed networking and next-generation AI data centers. While this commitment underscores conviction in the AI cycle, the magnitude of the spend has led investors to focus on long-term margin and free cash return profiles.

1,354 weeks

Shares of Cisco Systems (CSCO) closed at \$84.82 last week, surpassing its dotcom-era record weekly closing high of \$79.35 set on March 24, 2000. The move comes 1,354 weeks later, highlighting the company's long path back to new highs. Recent strength partly reflects CSCO shift toward AI-ready networking infrastructure and the integration of Splunk.

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