

# Daily Update

Your daily market news, moves  
and outlook



## SEASPRAY FINANCIAL

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## Markets Outlook

**Equities:** Stock markets are mixed on Tuesday morning after European equity indices reopen from their 4-day weekend. S&P futures are open slightly this morning, trading up 28% from their lows in March. Japan's Nikkei 225 finished up by over 3% overnight.

**For currencies:** The US dollar has been quieter in recent trading sessions, with very low volume traded on Friday and yesterday. EUR/USD trades between 1.09 - 1.10. GBP/USD grinds higher very slowly just below the 1.26 mark.

**For safe-havens:** Bond yields are mostly unchanged this morning while gold is in the green once again. The metal has taken off in the past 2 weeks, and is up over 10% in April so far. Gold has been and will be one of the winners in this new era of extreme monetary easing around the world.

**Looking ahead:** This week we will see the beginning of what is set to be one of the most uncertain earnings season's ever. Today we will see Q1 results from Johnson & Johnson, JP Morgan Chase, Wells Fargo, Delta Airlines and many more. Towards the end of the week we are due to see releases from other big names such as UnitedHealth, Citi bank, BlackRock, Airbus, ASML, Goldman Sachs, and Morgan Stanley.

## Key Events to Watch

14/04/2020 - G7 Meetings

15/04/2020 - US Retail Sales

15/04/2020 - BOC Rate Decision

16/04/2020 - US Unemployment Claims

## Market Moves

Equity Indices	Value	Daily Change	YTD Change
S&P 500	2,761	-1.01%	-14.52%
DAX	10,677	1.07%	-19.40%
EuroStoxx	2,918	0.90%	-22.06%
ISEQ	5,249	-0.76%	-26.91%
FTSE	5,815	-0.46%	-22.85%
Nikkei 225	19,630	3.08%	-16.98%

FX	Value	Daily Change	YTD Change
EUR/USD	1.0918	0.03%	-2.61%
EUR/GBP	0.8684	-0.44%	2.78%
GBP/USD	1.2572	0.48%	-5.19%
USD/CHF	0.9657	-0.18%	-0.26%
USD/JPY	107.60	-0.17%	-0.93%
EUR/JPY	117.44	-0.16%	-3.52%

Fixed Income	Value	Daily Change
US 10yr	0.757	-0.008
US 2yr	0.245	-0.004
Bund 10yr	-0.352	-0.026
Irish 10yr	0.227	0.011
Gilt 10yr	0.305	-0.010
JGB 10yr	0.012	0.002

## Financial News Round Up

### Earnings Season

We see room for one further leg lower in the main American and European equity indices over the next few weeks as we enter into a potentially volatile earnings season, which starts today. This possible breach of the March lows may panic some investors, however at Seaspray we are of the opinion that it will present an opportunity for savvy market participants who are receiving the correct advice.

This earnings season should paint us a clearer picture of how severe a blow this outbreak has dealt to corporate Europe and America. We will be watching closely for firms that look set to emerge from this crisis in positions of relative strength when compared to their relevant sectors and competitors. We are prepared to make some adjustments to our stock watchlist based on earnings results in the coming weeks.

### Quick COVID Update

Global, US, and UK new daily cases and daily deaths have fallen over the Easter weekend, all down since Friday the 10th. Meanwhile in Europe's worst affected regions Italy and Spain, things have been slowly looking more positive and under control. Spain has seen a solid decline in these figures since the 1st/2nd of April while Italy has been on this path of recovery since it peaks of late March.

**Global:** Active Cases: 1.35 million. Active cases in critical condition: 51,000 (3.7%). Deaths: 120,000. Recoveries: 456,000.

**US:** Active Cases: 526,000. Active cases in critical condition: 12,700 (2.4%). Deaths: 23,600. Recoveries: 36,900.

**UK:** Active Cases: 76,900. Active cases in critical condition: 1,500 (2%). Deaths: 11,300. Recoveries: N/A.

**Italy:** Active Cases: 103,600. Active cases in critical condition: 3,200 (3.1%). Deaths: 20,400. Recoveries: 35,400.

**Spain:** Active Cases: 86,900. Active cases in critical condition: 7,300 (8.4%). Deaths: 18,000. Recoveries: 67,500.

### Irish Politics

Leo Varadkar and Micheál Martin are due to meet today to sign off on the document which is proposed to form the basis of a coalition government. The document will contain a list of 10 goals which will shape government policy over the next 5 years. Undoubtedly, Ireland's plans to recover from the COVID-19 crisis will be at the heart of this new report. We expect there to be a number of initiatives for smaller firms, including stimulus packages for business affected by the downturn in the economy last and this quarter.