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# Weekly Manager's Pulse

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## TPFG Manager Commentary:

Global equities rallied last week, led by Technology stocks. Industrials lagged, with Boeing shares declining. Overall, the S&P 500 returned 2.95%, its best week since November. International stocks and Emerging Markets were also up, 2.81% and 2.67%, respectively. Consumer sentiment rose to 97.8. Optimism may have been driven by strong wage growth and lower inflation expectations. The Federal Reserve meets on Wednesday, but we expect rates to stay unchanged. Friday will also see data on U.S. manufacturing. British MPs will vote on Brexit withdrawal yet again.



### Economic Review\*

- Retail sales rose 0.2% m/m
- CPI rose 1.5% y/y
- PPI rose 1.9% y/y
- New home sales at 607K
- Consumer sentiment at 97.8
- Durable goods orders rose 0.4% m/m
- Core CPI rose 1.5% y/y
- Core PPI rose 2.5% y/y
- Industrial production rose 0.1% m/m
- Job openings at 7.581M

## Strategic Partner: Meeder Investment Management

Meeder Investment Management is an investment firm that supports financial advisors working to grow and protect client wealth. Over 40 years of responding to the needs of financial advisors and institutional investors, we have grown to manage, advise and administer more than \$20 billion in assets (as of 12/31/2018). We specialize in customized investment solutions that incorporate our proprietary multidiscipline/multi-factor approach to investing. Our capabilities include managed portfolios, mutual funds (through our proprietary mutual fund complex Meeder Funds), retirement solutions, age-based portfolios, public funds advisory services, and investment operations.



### Spotlight: RiskPro® Tactical 0-30 (PFTEX)

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### Meeder is available in these models:

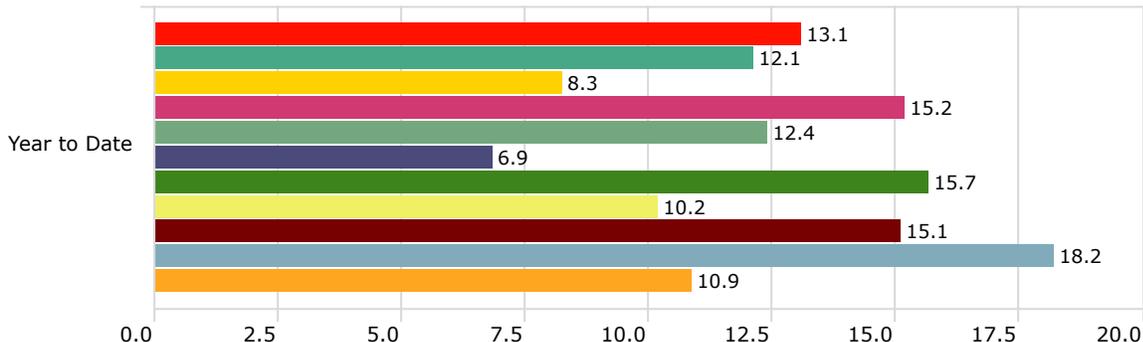
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## Trailing Returns

	1 Week	1 Month	3 Month	1 Year
S&P 500 TR USD	2.95	1.89	9.14	4.80
S&P MidCap 400 TR	1.98	-0.78	9.87	0.25
S&P SmallCap 600 TR USD	1.47	-2.72	8.30	-0.01
MSCI ACWI NR USD	2.82	2.30	9.08	-0.65
MSCI EM NR USD	2.66	2.75	9.31	-10.91
BBgBarc US Agg Bond TR USD	0.23	0.62	2.65	3.72

## YTD S&P Sector Returns

- S&P 500 TR
- Consumer Discretionary
- Consumer Staples
- Energy
- Financials
- Health Care
- Industrials
- Materials
- Real Estate
- Technology
- Utilities





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Returns data sourced from Morningstar Direct.

\* Sourced from JPMorgan Chase, publicly available at <https://am.jpmorgan.com/us/en/asset-management/gim/adv/insights/weekly-market-recap>

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