



## News: Poor ADP data brings markets lower.

- While it looked like we might have had some relief from the ECB 3mth tender coming in much lower than expected it was short lived and the wheels came off yet again (soft ADP data and Moodys warning on Spain).
- Overnight things have not got any prettier as China concerns accelerate (PMI lower than expected).
- Catalysts today will be ECONOMIC DATA, SPAIN €2.5-3.5bn AUCTION and the expiry of the ECB's one-year money market facility.
- The S&P breached key 1040 level.

Commodity	Price	1 Day Change
Brent Crude	74.23	-1.04%
Baltic Dry	2,406.00	-1.68%
Gold	1,241.70	-0.31%
Copper	6,515.00	0.32%
Silver	18.62	0.00%
Dollar Index	85.58	-0.51%

Currency	Price	1 Day Change
Eur / Usd	1.2326	0.72%
Eur / Gbp	0.81982	-1.31%
Eur / Yen	108.66	-0.40%
Gbp / Usd	1.4954	0.06%
Usd / Yen	88.16	0.31%

Stock Index	Latest	1 Day Change
ISEQ	2,857	-0.75%
FTSE 100	4,874	-0.87%
NIKKEI 225	9,192	-2.04%
DOW JONES	9,774	-0.98%
S&P 500	1,044	0.24%
NASDAQ	2,109	-1.21%
CAC 40	3,402	-1.19%
DAX 30	5,927	-0.64%
EUROSTOXX	2,554	-0.75%

10 Year Benchmark	Yield %	1 Day Change
United States	2.95	0.60%
United Kingdom	3.37	0.51%
Germany	2.61	1.32%
Japan	1.07	-2.02%
Ireland	5.52	0.44%

## Portfolio View: S&P Breaches Key 1040 level

The S&P500 now stands at 1030 (at time of writing). The market had held the 1040 level 3 times over the last six months before closing below it yesterday evening. Breaching what had been a strong floor is a worrying signal for the market in the short term.

The next big level from here is 1000 and we recommend clients put in place a safety net for the short term by hedging & derisking their positions. Your options are outlined below.

1. Sell the S&P 500. This will insure you against any short term weakness in the market generally.
2. Buy the Proshares Short S&P 500. This fund corresponds to the inverse results of the S&P 500 therefore if the S&P goes down the price goes up & vice versa. Its function is similar to selling the S&P outright but is accessible to all customers not just those with CFD & Online accounts.
3. Derisk. Sell or place stops on stocks to reduce your overall market risk.

While we still maintain our long term bullish stance, we feel it prudent short term to reduce overall exposure, until market volatility reduces.

## Top 5 Open Positions

Ticker	Stock	Price	BID now	Gain/Loss
LGF	Lions Gate	5.59	6.98	+24.9%
EMC	EMC Corp	16.83	18.3	+8.7%
AZN	AstraZeneca Plc	2760	3169	+14.8%
QQQ	Nasdaq Trust ETF	42.6	42.71	+0.3%
SKG	Smurfit Kappa	7.27	7.15	-1.7%

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