# Personal Business Figures of the Week



### COMMENTARY

Stocks broke new ground as both the S&P 500-stock index and NASDAQ Composite hit 52-week highs before retreating. In addition to strong earnings from oil explorers Schlumberger and Halliburton, and American Express, whose profits set new records, the takeover of Ivax by fellow generic drugmaker Teva buoyed investors. Consumer confidence, however, took a dip.

Data: Bloomberg Financial Markets, Reuters

#### % CHANGE YEAR TO LAST 12 DATE MONTHS **U.S. MARKETS** II II Y 27 WFFK S&P 500 1236.8 2.1 13.0 0.1 **Dow Jones Industrials** 10 6371 -05 -14 55 **NASDAQ Composite** 2186.2 -0.10.5 17.0 S&P MidCap 400 715.7 -0.1 7.9 24.7 S&P SmallCap 600 -0.6 349.9 6.4 26.6 DJ Wilshire 5000 12,334.9 16.0 **SECTORS** BusinessWeek 50\* 733.2 0.5 4.1 16.6 BW Info Tech 100\*\* 368.7 -0.7-1.214.1 S&P/BARRA Growth 593.6 0.1 2.0 10.5 S&P/BARRA Value 638.7 0.1 2.1 15.4 S&P Energy 365.7 2.9 26.7 43.8 S&P Financials 404.5 -0.2 -1.6 8.2 S&P REIT 158.0 09 9.4 347 **S&P Transportation** 220.8 0.9 -8.6 12.8 **S&P Utilities** 162.5 -0.5 14.8 36.1 **GSTI Internet** 174.9 35 -1.9227 **PSE Technology** 806.3 -0.6 3.5 21.7 \*Mar. 19, 1999=1000 \*\*Feb. 7, 2000=1000

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GLOBAL MARKETS	JULY 27	WEEK	YEAR TO DATE	LAST 12 MONTHS
S&P Euro Plus (U.S. Dollar)	1394.5	0.6	-0.2	24.0
London (FT-SE 100)	5263.6	0.9	9.3	21.7
Paris (CAC 40)	4433.1	0.3	16.0	24.3
Frankfurt (DAX)	4855.4	1.5	14.1	27.3
Tokyo (NIKKEI 225)	11,835.1	0.4	3.0	7.3
Hong Kong (Hang Seng)	14,801.9	1.4	4.0	20.3
Toronto (S&P/TSX Composite)	10,500.7	1.7	13.6	26.6
Mexico City (IPC)	14,173.4	-0.9	9.7	40.1
FUNDAMENTALS		JULY 26	WEEK AGO	YEAR AGO
S&P 500 Dividend Yield		2.00%	2.00%	1.70%
S&P 500 P/E Ratio (Trailing 1	2 mos.)	19.7	20.0	19.6
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S&P 500 P/E Ratio (Next 12 mos.)*	15.5	15.5	16.0
First Call Earnings Surprise*	3.90%	3.22%	3.96%
		*F	irst Call Corp.
TECHNICAL INDICATORS	JULY 26	WEEK AGO	READING
S&P 500 200-day average	1183.5	1181.0	Positive
Stocks above 200-day average	69.0%	70.0%	Neutral
Options: Put/call ratio	0.74	0.73	Positive
Insiders: Vickers NYSE Sell/buy ratio	5.11	4.90	Negative

BEST-PERFORMING GROUPS	LAST MONTH %		LAST 12 MONTHS %
<b>Employment Services</b>	27.8	Homebuilding	94.0
Internet Retailers	24.8	Fertilizers & Ag. Chems	79.3
Steel	23.2	Oil & Gas Refining	78.9
Biotechnology	22.9	Oil & Gas Drilling	75.7
Tires & Rubber	16.3	Managed Health Care	70.9
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WORST-PERFORMINGROUPS	NG LAST	%	LAST 12 MONTHS %
<b>Health-Care Facilities</b>	-9.9	IT Consulting	-35.7
<b>Educational Services</b>	-7.7	Insurance Brokers	-24.8
Office Electronics	-6.0	Automobiles	-21.3
Distillers & Vintners	-5.0	Paper Products	-17.1
Internet Software	-3.9	Brewers	-15.4

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4-WEEK TOTAL RETURN	%	52-WEEK TOTAL RETURN	%
LEADERS		LEADERS	
Natural Resources	6.6	Latin America	58.6
Real Estate	5.4	Natural Resources	47.3
Technology	5.2	Diversified Emerg. Mkts.	41.7
Small-cap Growth	4.8	Real Estate	40.5
LAGGARDS		LAGGARDS	
Japan	-0.9	Japan	4.4
Precious Metals	1.1	Domestic Hybrid	11.5
Latin America	1.4	Large-cap Blend	14.2
Domestic Hybrid	1.5	Large-cap Growth	14.7
<b>EQUITY FUNDS</b>			
4-WEEK TOTAL RETURN	%	52-WEEK TOTAL RETURN	%
LEADERS		LEADERS	
ProFunds Biotech. Inv.	25.4	U.S. Glbl. Invs. Gl. Rscs.	70.0
ProFunds. Semicdr. Inv.	12.3	ProFunds Oil & Gas Inv.	69.9
ProFunds UltraOTC Inv.	11.8	Guinness Atkn. Gl. Energy	68.9
Rydex Dyn. Vent. 100 H	11.7	T. R. Price Em. Eur. & Mdn.	68.5
LAGGARDS		LAGGARDS	
ProFunds UltSh. OTC Inv.	-10.7	Ameritor Investment	-57.7
Rydex Dyn. Vent. 100 H	-10.7	ProFds. USh. Sm. Cap Inv.	-38.5
Potomac Sm. Cap/Sh. Inv.	-9.8	ProFds. USh. Mid Cap Inv.	-37.3
ProFds. USh. Sm. Cap Inv.	-9.6	Potomac Sm. Cap/Sh. Inv.	-27.6

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<b>INTEREST RATI</b>	S			
KEY RATES		JULY 27	WEEK AGO	YEAR AGO
Money Market Funds		2.83%	2.80%	0.84%
90-Day Treasury Bills		3.39	3.30	1.46
2-Year Treasury Notes		3.99	3.87	2.80
10-Year Treasury Notes		4.26	4.16	4.62
30-Year Treasury Bonds		4.47	4.39	5.32
30-Year Fixed Mortgage†		5.71	5.69	5.99
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General Obligations	3.75%	4.38%
Taxable Equivalent	5.36	6.26
Insured Revenue Bonds	3.81	4.55
Taxable Equivalent	5.44	6.50

### THE WEEK AHEAD

### **PURCHASING MANAGERS' INDEX**

Monday, Aug. 1, 10 a.m. EDT

The Institute for Supply

Management's factory activity
index probably improved a little
more, to 54.4% in July. That's the
median forecast of economists
surveyed by Action Economics.
The index rose to 53.8% in June.

### CONSTRUCTION SPENDING

Monday, Aug. 1, 10 a.m. EDT June building outlays are expected to have rebounded with a 0.5% gain, after a 0.9% dip in May driven by a 1.7% drop in residential construction spending.

PERSONAL INCOME Tuesday, Aug. 2, 8:30 a.m. EDT » Personal income very likely grew 0.4% during June, following a 0.2% gain in May. Consumer expenditures probably bounced back with a 0.8% gain, after holding steady in May.

**FACTORY INVENTORIES** Tuesday, Aug. 2, 10 a.m. EDT »

Manufacturing inventories most likely rose by 0.2% in June. May inventories rose 0.3%.

**EMPLOYMENT** Friday, Aug. 5, 8:30 a.m. EDT » July nonfarm payrolls are forecast to have expanded by 180,000, after a gain of 146,000 for June. Factories very likely trimmed another 3,000 jobs, after cutting 24,000 positions in June. Despite the expected job growth, the unemployment rate probably held at 5.0%.

The *BusinessWeek* production index increased to 252 for the week ended July 16, and stood 12.9% above the year ago level. Before calculation of the four-week moving average, the index dropped to 253.4.

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### THE BUSINESSWEEK FIFTY





he BW50 rose 0.5% for the week, edging out its big brethren. Fueling results were the rise at Bay and Qualcomm, which climbed 20.4% and 11.2%, respectively, on the strength of good arnings. Also strong were the energy stocks, ending the week in fair territory. Electronic Arts ank 4.3%. Investors bid up shares of Burlington Resources ahead of its earnings release.

<b>MPANY PERFORMANCE</b>	% CHANGE	
COMPANY	WEEK	SINCE 3/1/05
Nucor	2.4	-11.5
ConocoPhillips	2.8	12.3
ChevronTexaco	1.3	-6.0
Valero Energy	2.6	16.6
UnitedHealth Group	3.4	12.8
Occidental Petroleum	3.3	18.6
Exxon Mobil	1.0	-5.9
Yahoo	2.7	6.3
Nextel Communications	3.4	16.0
Apache	5.1	12.1
Devon Energy	4.9	19.0
Pulte Homes	-2.6	18.8
Qualcomm	11.2	11.4
Apple Computer	0.8	-1.9
Dell	-0.4	3.2
Paccar	-3.0	-3.7
Coach	-3.4	25.8
Sunoco	2.2	24.4
eBay	20.4	-2.0
Burlington Resources	7.7	29.5
Progressive	1.0	14.5
Caremark Rx	3.6	13.8
Caterpillar	-0.8	11.1
Phelps Dodge	0.5	1.5
Autodesk	-6.0	15.4
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RANK	COMPANY	WEEK	SINCE 3/1/05		
26	Johnson & Johnson	-0.6	-1.6		
27	Carnival	-2.0	-2.0		
28	Adobe Systems	1.2	-3.4		
29	Cummins	3.7	14.4		
30	Boston Scientific	0.2	-11.6		
31	EOG Resources	5.1	40.0		
32	Symantec	-4.3	5.9		
33	Starbucks	-3.2	-2.8		
34	Electronic Arts	-4.3	-8.7		
35	WellPoint	-0.6	9.9		
36	Deere	1.3	2.1		
37	United States Steel	7.6	-30.9		
38	Zimmer Holdings	2.9	-3.3		
39	FedEx	0.4	-13.4		
40	Chubb	2.2	12.8		
41	XTO Energy	0.6	5.2		
42	Microsoft	-1.8	2.2		
43	Danaher	5.4	3.2		
44	Unocal	0.0	20.1		
45	Dow Chemical	-2.5	-13.7		
46	Cisco Systems	-4.7	10.1		
47	Gilead Sciences	-2.5	31.5		
48	Nike	-5.0	-3.4		
49	Anadarko Petroleum	3.0	15.4		
50	Bank of America	-1.6	-5.4		

### **BW PRODUCTION INDEX**

#### **INDUSTRIAL OUTPUT** CHANGE FROM LAST WEEK: 0.6% CHANGE FROM LAST YEAR: 12.9% 250 JULY 16=252.0 1992=100 240 230 220 THE INDEX IS A FOUR-WEEK MOVING AVERAGE 210 JULY NOV. MAR. JULY 2004 2005 2005

he production index managed a solid gain in the test period. Before calculation of the four-week moving average, however, the index slipped to 253.4, om 254.5. On a seasonally adjusted basis, electricower production and rail freight traffic posted creases. Once again, auto and truck assemblies ere affected by the usual summer retooling. Lumber uffered a sizeable decline, followed by crude-oil efining and coal. Steel output slipped a little over the ariod.

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ormation on each of the index components is at www.businessweek.com.
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