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"Patience is bitter, but its fruit is sweet."

— Aristotle

THE WEEK AT A GLANCE

Futures and VIX as of Sunday 5:05 PM ET (Friday's close).

S&P 500 FUTURES	NASDAQ-100 FUTURES	DOW FUTURES	VIX
7,859.75	**31,108.75**	**51,926.00**	**14.84**
▲ +1.06%	▲ +0.15%	▲ +0.87%	▼ −0.47

Futures reopened 6:00 PM ET — ES 7,859.75 (+0.00% vs Friday close), NQ 31,108.75 (+0.00% vs Friday close), YM 51,926.00 (+0.00% vs Friday close). Pulled ~6:12 PM ET.

ECON ADDENDUM — week ending Oct 9

Econ data for the week ending Oct 9, compiled Sunday 5:40 PM ET.

Release	Actual	Expected	2-mo trend	Fundamental read
Services survey activity index (Sep)	54.9	about 55.0	Aug 55.4 → Sep 54.9	Still expanding for the 27th straight month, but the prices index hit 74.0 — the hottest since July 2022 — services inflation is re-accelerating.
Trade balance (Aug)	-$105.6B	~-$102.0B	Jul -$92.8B (rev) → Aug -$105.6B	The deficit widened to its worst since March as AI-hardware imports surged — the AI buildout shows up in the trade data before it shows up in GDP.
Fed meeting minutes (Sep 15–16)	Unanimous 25bp hike to 3.75–4.00%; most saw another hike likely by year-end	hawkish hold priced	Sep hike +25bp → Oct hold ~82% priced → Dec hike ~80–90% priced	The committee is surprised by the AI buildout's speed and reads it as inflationary — the bar for the year-end hike is now Wednesday's CPI.
Jobless claims (week ended Oct 3)	197K	200K	Sep 26: 199K (rev) → Oct 3: 197K	A fourth straight week below 200K — a hiring freeze, not a firing wave; layoffs remain historically scarce.
Consumer sentiment, prelim (Oct)	46.3	about 47.6	Sep 48.1 (final) → Oct 46.3 (prelim)	Third straight monthly decline to a 5-month low — households feel the prices even as they keep spending; 1-yr inflation expectations ticked to 4.7%.

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Treasury auctions (10Y Wed, 30Y Thu)	Strong demand; long-end yields fell ~6bp	—	10Y 5.365% intraday Wed → 10Y 5.24% Fri	Real buyers showed up above 5.3% — the market's term-premium tantrum has a ceiling when auctions go well.

ENGINE LIST — THE WEEK

Engine List quotes as of Sunday 5:05 PM ET (Friday's close).

Symbol	Company	Friday	Week	Note
AVGO	Broadcom	$361.54	▲ +1.80%	The week's round trip — ran to $380.84 Wednesday on the AI bid, then Thursday's OpenAI-revenue report took the whole chip complex down 4.3% in a day; finished the week green, still below its 200-day average.
SNDK	SanDisk	$1,581.82	▼ –8.03%	The Engine List's weakest tape — Toshiba's capacity-doubling plan revived supply-glut fears Tuesday, then Thursday's AI-expectations repricing finished the job; closed at the week's low.
LRCX	Lam Research	$318.84	▼ –8.24%	Down every session — the equipment name caught both the memory-glut fear and Thursday's chip-wide selloff; reports October 21.
GLW	Corning	$156.68	▼ –4.57%	Thursday's 6.4% drop was the list's sharpest single-day fall; the fiber-optic AI story didn't shield it from the rotation.
APH	Amphenol	$87.24	▲ +0.32%	The quiet one — drifted sideways while the chip complex swung around it.
MSFT	Microsoft	$535.07	▲ +3.39%	Citi's raised rating on Monday plus Friday's software rebound carried it to the week's top half; closed near the week's high.
AMZN	Amazon	$262.43	▲ +4.34%	Led the mega-caps — Friday's rebound left it at the week's high as discretionary caught the rotation bid.
NVDA	NVIDIA	$229.28	▼ –2.00%	Thursday's 2.9% on the OpenAI report; the $50B-vs-$70B revenue gap repriced AI expectations for a day.
UBER	Uber Technologies	$71.51	▲ +4.99%	The week's best — no company news, just a steady climb that ignored the chip drama entirely.
MU	Micron Technology	$1,029.00	▼ –4.27%	Tuesday's Toshiba headline started the slide, Thursday's tape finished it; the lowest forward multiple on the Engine List fell 4.3% anyway.

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SECTORS — THE WEEK

Sector week changes as of Sunday 5:05 PM ET (Friday's close).

Sector	ETF	Week
Utilities	XLU	▲ +3.97%
Consumer Staples	XLP	▲ +3.60%
Energy	XLE	▲ +3.60%
Health Care	XLV	▲ +2.79%
Consumer Discretionary	XLY	▲ +2.55%
Financials	XLF	▲ +2.32%
Real Estate	XLRE	▲ +1.96%
Materials	XLB	▲ +1.17%
Communication Services	XLC	▲ +0.05%
Industrials	XLI	▼ –0.41%
Technology	XLK	▼ –0.52%

MARKET HEALTH — THE WEEK

Market health as of Sunday 5:30 PM ET.

Indicator	The read
Volatility	VIX closed Friday at 14.84, down 0.47 on the week — Thursday's spike to 16.00 faded as fast as it came; no fear bid stuck.
Options sentiment	Options sentiment ran cautious midweek and steadied into Friday — hedging interest picked up with the chip selloff, then faded on the rebound.
Retail-investor sentiment	The retail-investor sentiment survey (week ended Oct 7) showed 40.3% bulls against 39.0% bears — bulls nosed ahead for the first time in weeks, but bears still sit above their long-run average for the 35th straight week.
Breadth	Better on the surface than underneath: 9 of 11 sectors finished green and the equal-weight S&P beat the cap-weighted index, but Friday's rally came on soft volume — NYSE up-volume just 55.9% — and Nasdaq new lows still outnumbered new highs about five to one.

OPTIONS ACTIVITY — THE WEEK

Unusual prints from the Oct 6–8 sessions (verified weekend pull).

Activity	The read
NVDA — defensive put buying early in the week	Protection demand picked up Tuesday, a day before the chip selloff — the cautious read arrived early.
MU — two-way option positioning midweek	Call buying and put strikes traded side by side during Wednesday's intraday reversal — no consensus in the options tape.
Engine List — dip-buying after Thursday's selloff	Call activity picked up across most names into the decline — buyers met the selloff rather than chasing it.
LRCX — defensive lean into earnings	The only Engine List name leaning defensive — put interest building ahead of its October 21 report.
MSFT — patient long-dated call buying	Steady long-dated call buying through the week — positioning for distance, not the next session.

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NEXT WEEK

Calendar compiled Sunday 5:40 PM ET.

Day	Release	Time (ET)
Mon Oct 12	No major releases — Columbus Day (bond market closed, equities open)	—
Tue Oct 13	NFIB small-business optimism	6:00 AM
Tue Oct 13	Existing home sales (Sep)	10:00 AM
Wed Oct 14	MBA mortgage applications	7:00 AM
Wed Oct 14	CPI (September) — headline + core	8:30 AM
Wed Oct 14	Fed Beige Book	2:00 PM
Thu Oct 15	PPI (September)	8:30 AM
Thu Oct 15	Retail sales (September)	8:30 AM
Thu Oct 15	Jobless claims (weekly)	8:30 AM
Thu Oct 15	Empire State / Philly Fed manufacturing	8:30 AM
Fri Oct 16	Import / export prices	8:30 AM
Fri Oct 16	Industrial production	9:15 AM

Symbol	Company	Reports	Timing
JPM	JPMorgan Chase	Tue Oct 13	Before open
GS	Goldman Sachs	Tue Oct 13	Before open
C	Citigroup	Tue Oct 13	Before open
WFC	Wells Fargo	Tue Oct 13	Before open
JNJ	Johnson & Johnson	Tue Oct 13	Before open
UNH	UnitedHealth	Tue Oct 13	Before open
BAC	Bank of America	Wed Oct 14	Before open
MS	Morgan Stanley	Wed Oct 14	Before open
ASML	ASML Holding	Wed Oct 14	Before open
AA	Alcoa	Wed Oct 14	After close
TSM	Taiwan Semiconductor	Thu Oct 15	Before open

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DEGEN LENS RANKING

The week's Engine List names scored three ways — Swing, LEAPS, and Position — in the Degen Lens Ranking. A score, not a call. The scores live in **PRO** — $4.99/month, cancel anytime.

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