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Global:

USA

- Initial jobless claims fell 5,000 to a seasonally adjusted 211,000 for the week ended March 23, 2019, as per data by the US Labor Department
- Gross domestic product (GDP) rose 2.2% (YoY) in its third reading of fourth-quarter GDP growth, lower than the 2.6% (YoY) rise estimated in February 2019, as per data released by the US Commerce Department.

UK

 GDP rose 0.2% (QoQ) in Q4 2018 from 0.7% (QoQ) rise registered in Q3 2018, as per figures reported by Office for National Statistics (ONS).

Eurozone

- Consumer confidence index rose to -7.2 in March 2019 from -7.4 in February 2019, as per latest data released by Eurostat.
- Final IHS Markit Manufacturing Purchasing Managers' Index (PMI) stood at 47.5 in March 2019, its lowest reading since April 2013 and compared to 49.3 in February 2019.
- Consumer Price Index (CPI) rose 1.4% (YoY) in March 2019, according to Eurostat's flash reading and compared to a 1.5% (YoY) rise in February 2019.
- Unemployment rate stood unchanged at 7.8% in February 2019, as per data by Eurostat.

Germany

- CPI rose 1.3% (YoY) in March 2019 from a 1.5% (YoY) rise in February 2019, according to the latest estimate published by Destatis.
- Retail sales rose 0.9% (MoM) in February 2019 from a revised rise of 2.8% in January 2019, as per official figures published by Destatis.

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- Unemployment rate slipped to 4.9% in March 2019, after staying unchanged at 5% for the past 4 months, as
 per figures published by Federal Labour Agency.
- Final IHS Markit Manufacturing PMI fell to an 80-month low reading of 44.1 in March 2019 from 47.6 in February 2019.

<u>Japan</u>

- Unemployment rate fell to 2.3% in February 2019, the lowest in 9 months, from 2.5% registered in January
 2019, as per figures from the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications.
- Industrial production rose 1.4% (MoM) in February 2019 following a revised drop of 3.4% (MoM) in January
 2019, as per data by the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry.
- Final Markit/Nikkei Manufacturing PMI stood at 49.2 in March 2019 from 48.9 in February 2019.

<u>China</u>

Caixin/Markit Manufacturing PMI came in at 50.8 in March 2019, its fastest pace in 8 months, from 49.9
 registered in February 2019.

Crude Oil Prices:

Oil prices	March 22, 2019	March 29, 2019	% Change (WoW)
Brent crude (US\$)	67.03	68.39	2.03%

India's Forex Reserve:

(in US\$ billion)	March 15, 2019	March 22, 2019	% Change (WoW)
Forex reserves	405.64	406.67	0.25%



Markets:

10 Year Government Bond Yield:

in %	March 22, 2019	March 29, 2019	Change (WoW) (basis points)
Japan	-0.07	-0.08	-1
US	2.44	2.41	-3
UK	1.01	1.00	-1
Germany	-0.02	-0.07	-5
India	7.34	7.35	1

LIBOR Rate:

1 month rate (in %)	March 22, 2019	March 29, 2019	Change (WoW) (basis points)
USD-LIBOR	2.50	2.49	0
EURO-LIBOR	-0.42	-0.42	-1
POUND-LIBOR	0.73	0.73	0
YEN-LIBOR	-0.10	-0.10	0

Currency Pairs:

	March 22, 2019	March 29, 2019	% Change (WoW)
USD/GBP	0.7606	0.7621	-0.20%
USD/EUR	0.8777	0.8897	-1.37%
USD/JPY	110.64	110.41	0.21%

	March 22, 2019	March 29, 2019	% Change (WoW)
USD/INR	68.66	69.17	-0.74%
GBP/INR	90.28	90.48	-0.22%
EUR/INR	78.14	77.70	0.56%
100 JPY/INR	61.97	62.52	-0.89%

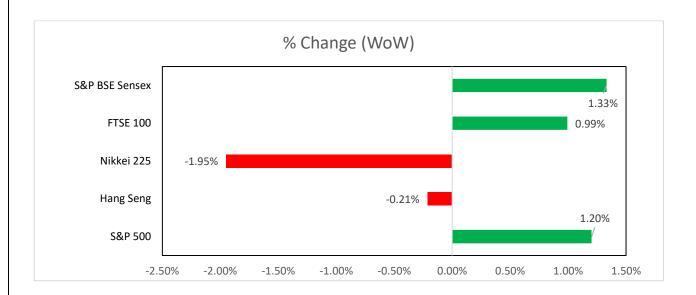
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Global Stock Markets over the past week:



Macroeconomic Releases this Week:

Date	Event	Expected	Prior
01-04-2019	U.S. Retail Sales (MoM) (February)	0.3%	0.2%
01-04-2019	U.S. Manufacturing PMI (March)	52.5	52.5
02-04-2019	India Nikkei Markit Manufacturing PMI (March)	53.9	54.3
03-04-2019	U.K. Services PMI (March)	51.0	51.3
03-04-2019	U.S. Services PMI (March)	54.8	54.8
04-04-2019	India Nikkei Markit Services PMI (March)	52.5	52.5
04-04-2019	India RBI MPC Interest Rate Decision	6.50%	6.25%
05-04-2019	Germany Industrial Production (MoM) (February)	0.6%	-0.8%
05-04-2019	U.S. Unemployment Rate (March)	3.8%	3.8%

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