Market Price Considerations Week Beginning April 3, 2017

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NEAR TERM MARKET CONSIDERATIONS WEEK BEGINNING APRIL 3, 2017

This Week's Select Summary Considerations:

- × <u>10-Year US Treasury Yield</u>:
 - + Slightly bullish with a potentially lower yield
 - + Yield remains in a sideways range between 2.3 2.6
- × <u>US Dollar Index</u>:
 - + More weakness than strength
 - + Trading range developing between 95 -104
- × <u>CRB Index</u>:
 - + Cautiously bullish as the index ever so slowly builds a base to move higher
 - + Between Fed off-again and on-again accommodation and building uncertainties surrounding fiscal, trade and regulatory policy stimulative activities, this key economic indicator has struggled
 - + Bigger Picture: Global macro forces in general remain supportive
- ***** <u>\$WTIC Light Crude Oil</u>:
 - + Light Crude Oil is presently defining a near term price floor
 - + Global economic, social, political, and military uncertainties remain supportive of prices
 - + Additional price weakness will likely send shockwaves through the commodity sector
 - + 2017 Likely primary range \$40 to \$60 with possible high in \$72 area

NEAR TERM MARKET CONSIDERATIONS WEEK BEGINNING APRIL 3, 2017

Near Term Summary Considerations:

- × Soybeans:
 - + A move to \$9.31-area maybe lower is now in play
 - + Fundamentals and fiscal, monetary, trade and regulatory policy are presently all problematic for soybean prices until a price floor is in place
 - + Simply stated watch the price action to define a bottom In soybean prices
- × Corn:
 - + Corrective price action should or be close to concluding with pricing opportunities improving
 - + Price action should start defining our upside potential
- × <u>Rice:</u>
 - + Given fundamentals, price will move in sympathy with grain prices and global economic momentum and agronomic outlook
 - March 31, 2017 USDA Prospective Planting Report supportive of infrastructure, but lagging demand problematic
 - + Rice producers' overriding consideration for 2017 should be managing for a quality grain kernel

NEAR TERM MARKET CONSIDERATIONS WEEK BEGINNING APRIL 3, 2017

Near Term Summary Considerations:

- × <u>Cotton:</u>
 - + Complex price action underway with a bullish price objective into the 84-cent area still remains in play
- × Wheat:
 - + Corrective price action completing, but bullish price potential to \$4.95 still a possibility
- * SPY SPDR S&P 500 ETF:
 - + Consolidation underway
 - + Price trend remains up
- × QQQ NASDAQ Power Shares:
 - + Consolidation likely
 - + Trend remains up
- × EFA iShares ETF Global Equities Excluding U.S. and Canada:
 - + Building momentum and price strength
- **EEM iShares ETF, Emerging Market Equities:**
 - + Momentum remains positive

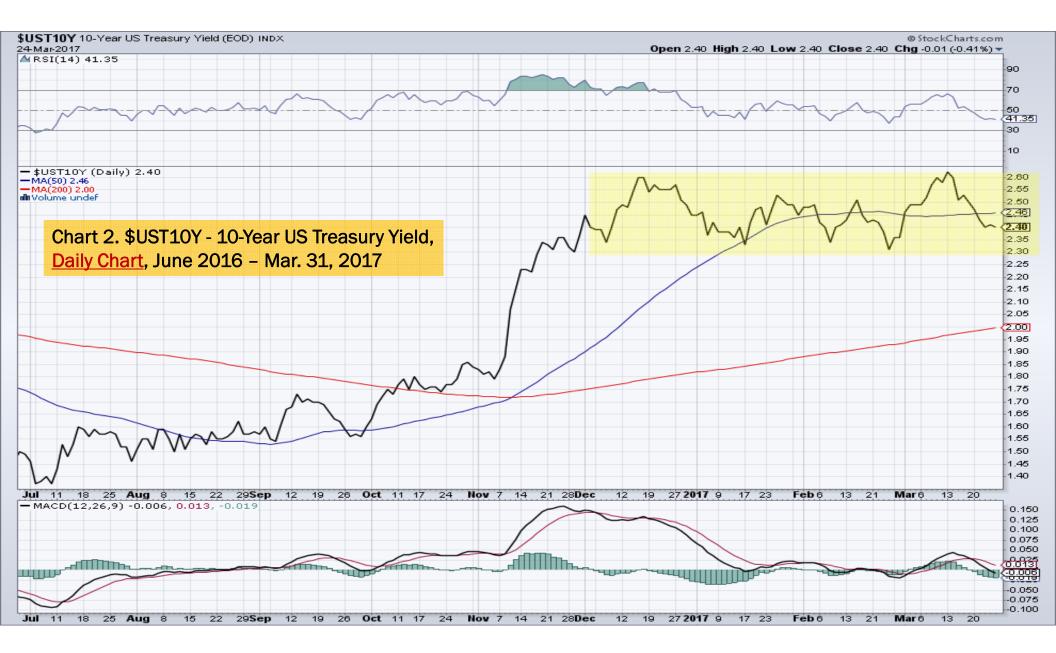
\$UST10Y – 10 Year US Treasury Yield Monthly Charts - Presentation

This Week

Primary Consideration:

- We enter the week slightly bullish with a potentially lower yield. Near term yield remains in a sideways range between 2.3 2.6
- This is a market that likely builds a trading range over the next one to two years with Global Government and Central Bank intervention and unfolding global events defining potential upside with a potential top at <u>3 to 3.25-possibly slightly higher</u>
- As global events unfold (economic, political, social, etc.) chart activity will provide guidance
- Present market structure suggests financial institutions and borrowers are winners at these levels
- Some suggest the 35 year bull bond market will be over with a yield that holds above 2.6, others at 3.0; <u>Actually, global fiscal, monetary, trade, and regulatory policy market intervention likely make picking</u> <u>these points very premature</u>
- This is a market that could simply move sideways for a few years and even revisit the previous low or make a new low





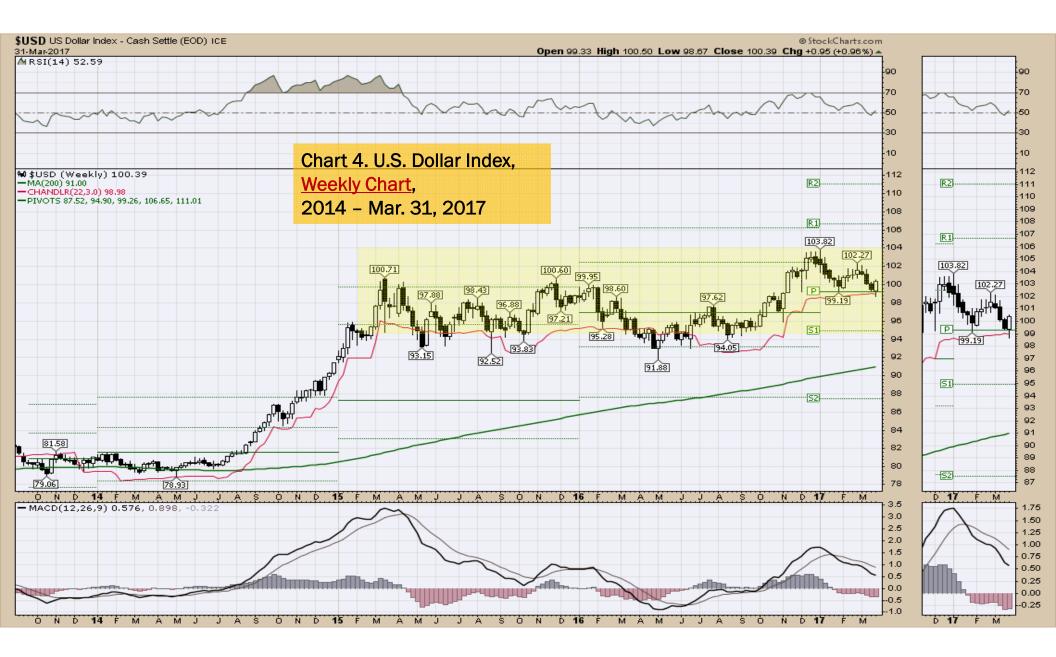


US Dollar Index Weekly, Daily, and Monthly Charts

This Week

Primary Considerations:

- More weakness than strength presently, which is a function of improving global economic outlook
- Defining a trading range 95 -104
- The following determines sideways consolidation for a period or a resumption of the dollar's move to the upside:
 - 2017 European Union and member countries management/mismanagement is a key factor in dollar strength or weakness, followed by the Debt Ceiling Limit Debate and the French Elections, presently these issues favor a dollar sideways to down
 - <u>Bigger Picture</u>: Global interventionist Government and Central Bank activities will define dollar strength or weakness, including President Trump's currency, trade and regulatory policy objectives.







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Select Equity and Transportation Charts Monthly Charts







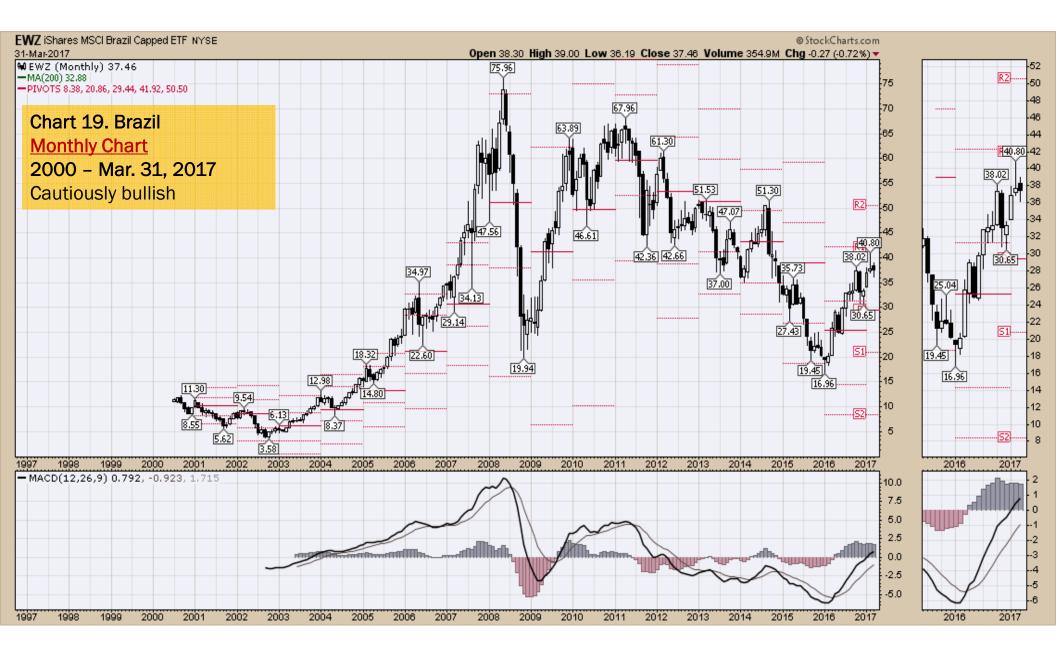


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CRB Commodity Index Weekly, Daily and Monthly Charts

This Week

Primary consideration:

- Cautiously bullish as the index ever so slowly builds a base to move higher
- Between Fed off-again and on-again accommodation and building uncertainties surrounding fiscal, trade and regulatory policy stimulative activities, this key economic indicator has become near term dangerously bearish.
- Bigger Picture: Global macro forces in general remain supportive
- <u>A cautionary note The \$CRB below 180 would be a dangerous near term negative and imply</u> anemic domestic and global growth
- For the CRB Commodity Index to move higher will likely be a function of oil price leadership and/or broad commodity support, a reasonably stable to weaker dollar and belief and confidence in global fiscal, monetary, trade and regulatory policy leadership





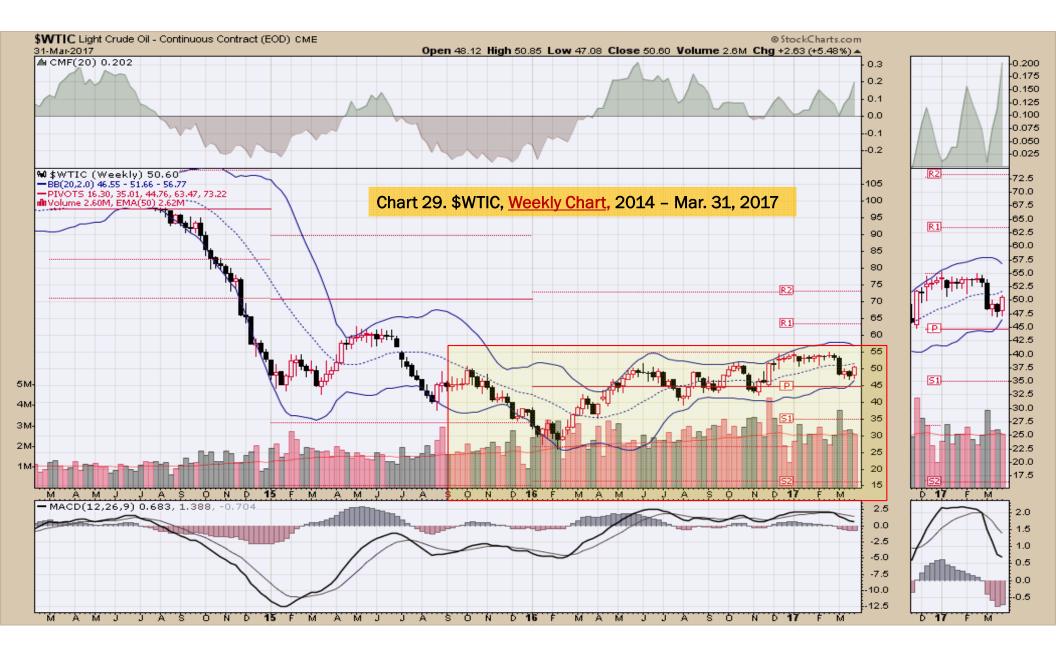


\$WTIC Light Crude Oil Weekly, Daily and Monthly Charts

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- 2017 Likely primary range \$40 to \$60 with possible high in \$72 area
- Washington Leadership likely bullish U.S. production
- Saudi Arabia, OPEC and other oil producers have major role in defining 2017 price structure







Soybeans Weekly, Daily and Monthly Charts

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Corn Weekly, Daily and Monthly Charts

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Rice Quarterly and Daily Charts

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Cotton Weekly, Daily and Monthly Charts

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Wheat Weekly, Daily and Monthly Charts

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