Macro Ops

The Trifecta Report

The best trades are the ones in which you have all three things going for you: fundamentals, technical, and market tone. ~ Michael Marcus

Weekly Summary

S&P 500

- Long-term: The SPX is in a 28-month trading range that began in early 2018. The law of inertia means that we should expect this range to continue until there's a clear price signal – a monthly close above 3,300 or below 2,500. Odds currently favor a resumption of the trend higher
- Sentiment/Positioning: Outside of Put/Calls, sentiment and positioning continue to recover from bearish extremes. They remain supportive of the intermediate trend higher while the stretched P/C ratios increase short-term trend fragility
- ➤ Breadth: Breadth is beginning to materially weaken. If it fails to improve soon then a correction will be likely in the coming weeks
- Macro/Liquidity: Macro conditions are recovering from bearish levels. Liquidity is flush and yields are staying low despite the rise in equities. This is a supportive backdrop for risk assets
- Short-term: SPX had a strong monthly, weekly, and daily close Friday. Odds favor a continuation of the trend higher and a closing of the Feb 24th gap

UST 10yr Bonds

- Long-term: Bonds are in an 18m+ bull trend / buy climax on a monthly basis. Bonds are making an effort to breakout to the upside of their sideways channel. Another strong week would confirm the breakout. The long-term path of least resistance is up
- Sentiment/Positioning: There isn't a clear consensus currently in bond positioning or the narrative structure
- Yield Indicators: Copper/Gold has been diverging higher from yields, but this is likely due to Chilean COVID driven supply restraints. Our other indicators, such as Cyclical vs Defensive and Regional Banks vs SPX are moving right in line with yields
- **Short-term:** The fact that bonds continue to hold their ground despite the rise in stocks and the return of some semblance of risk-on action, is a powerful point for the bond bulls camp. Bonds are in bullish breakout mode and we should expect this to continue. <u>Now is a good</u> <u>time to increase our long bond exposure</u> <u>as it's giving us a free hedge to our long</u> positioning

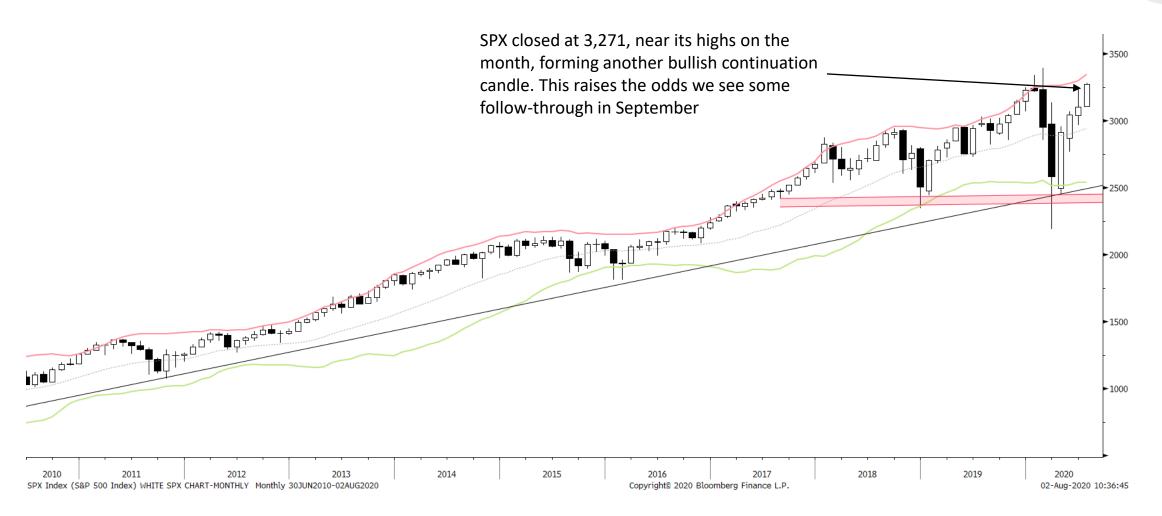
Gold

- Long-term: Gold is in a 15-month uptrend / buy climax on a monthly basis. It closed at 1,985 on Friday, marking a new all-time high. The close was near its high for the month which means its odds on that we'll see more upside followthrough in the weeks ahead
- Sentiment/Positioning: The bullish gold narrative is nearing consensus which raises the odds of short-term volatility. Positioning and flows both hit 2stdev moves this past week, increasing the fragility of the current trade and raising the odds we're nearing a short-term consolidation zone
- **Gold Indicators:** As long as real yields continue to fall, the macro backdrop will remain incredibly supportive for gold and silver
- Short-term: Gold saw another strong close last week. Precious metals can go vertical when the conditions are ripe, which they currently are. Short-term, the metal is over-extended but that is characteristic of buy climaxes. <u>Buy dips</u> and new highs until the chart clearly says otherwise. Also, silver should continue to close the large silver/gold performance gap

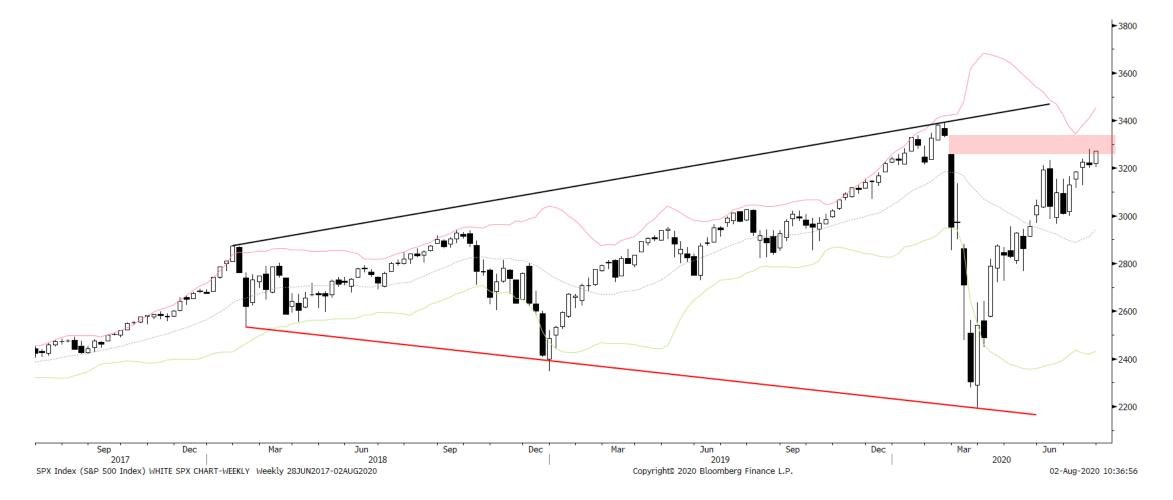
EURUSD

- Long-term: EURUSD closed on Friday at its highest monthly close since April of 2018. This is likely the start of a major trend change in the USD, from bullish to bearish. The long-term path of least resistance in EURUSD is up
- Sentiment/Positioning: The short US dollar trade is becoming somewhat of a consensus theme on the Street. Long positioning in EURUSD and aggregate short USD is stretched. This just means we should expect an eventual shakeout in the weeks ahead
- EURUSD Indicators: The trend in yield differentials favor the euro while the absolute levels favor USD. Relative growth favors the US, but the disparity is at such extremes it could be used as a contra indicator. It's a mix bag with no clear edge on future trend direction
- Short-term: EURUSD is in a strong uptrend on a monthly, weekly, and daily basis. It's in a short-term buy climax and buy climaxes tend to last longer than anybody expects. However, after six bullish weekly candles, we should expect some profit taking/consolidation soon

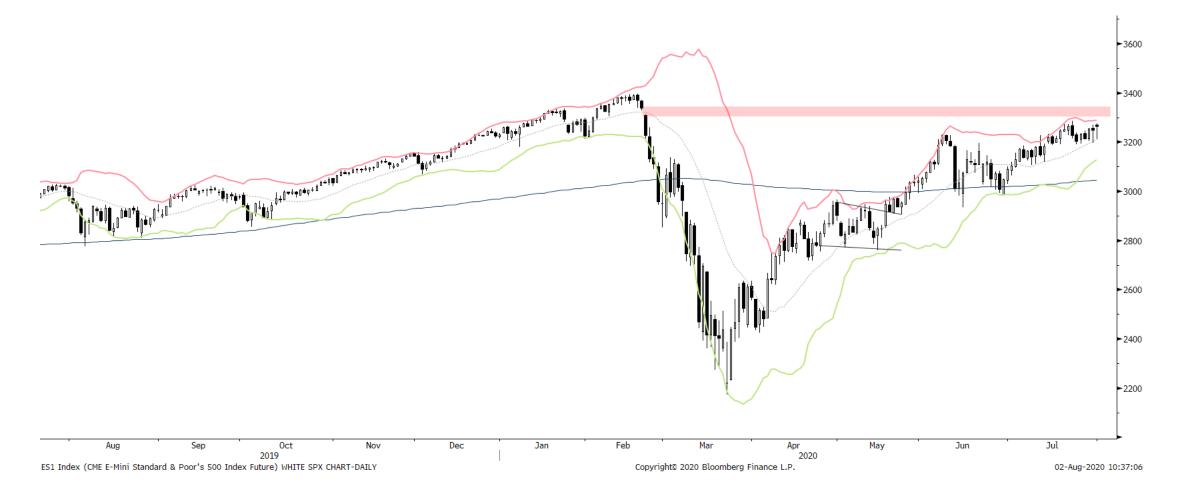
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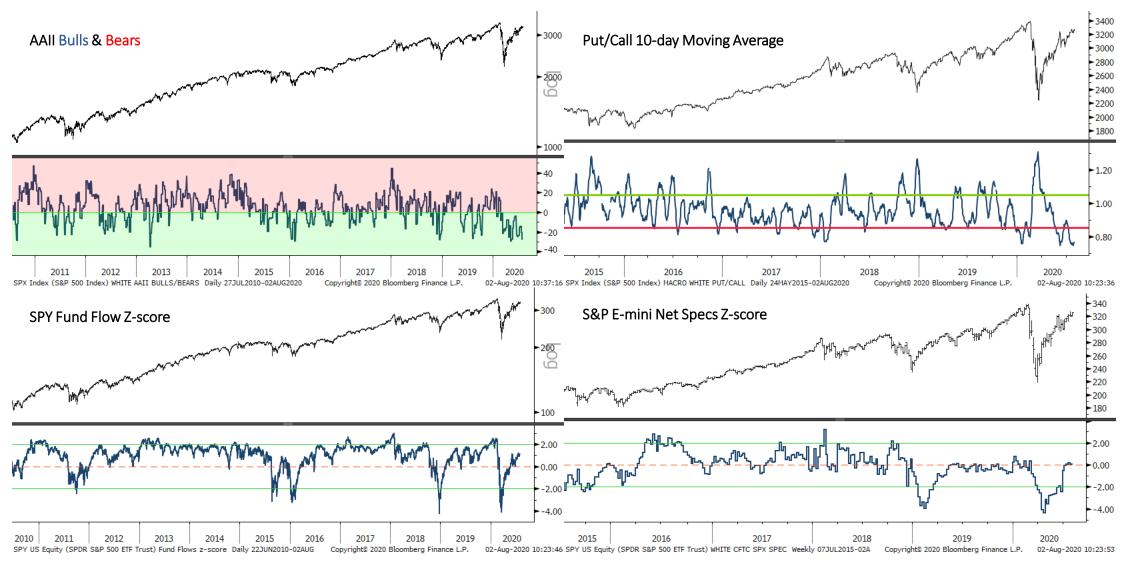




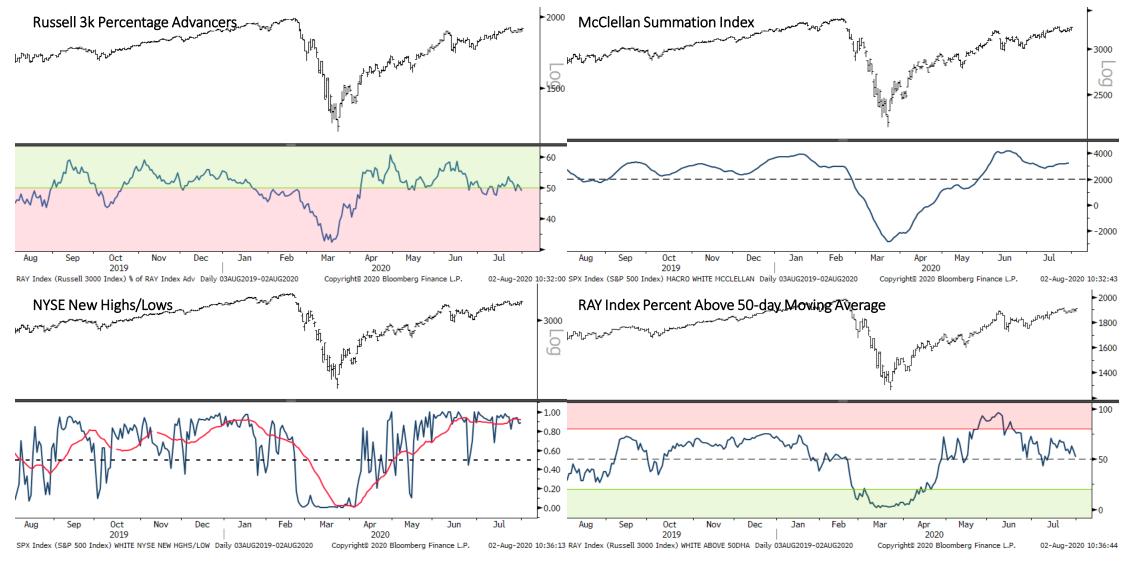
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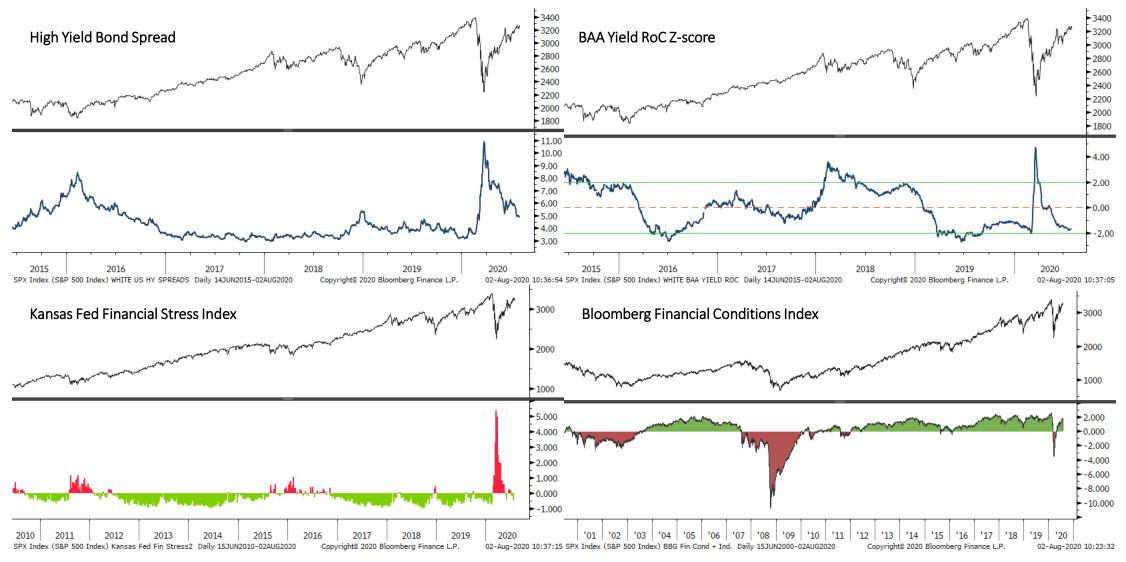
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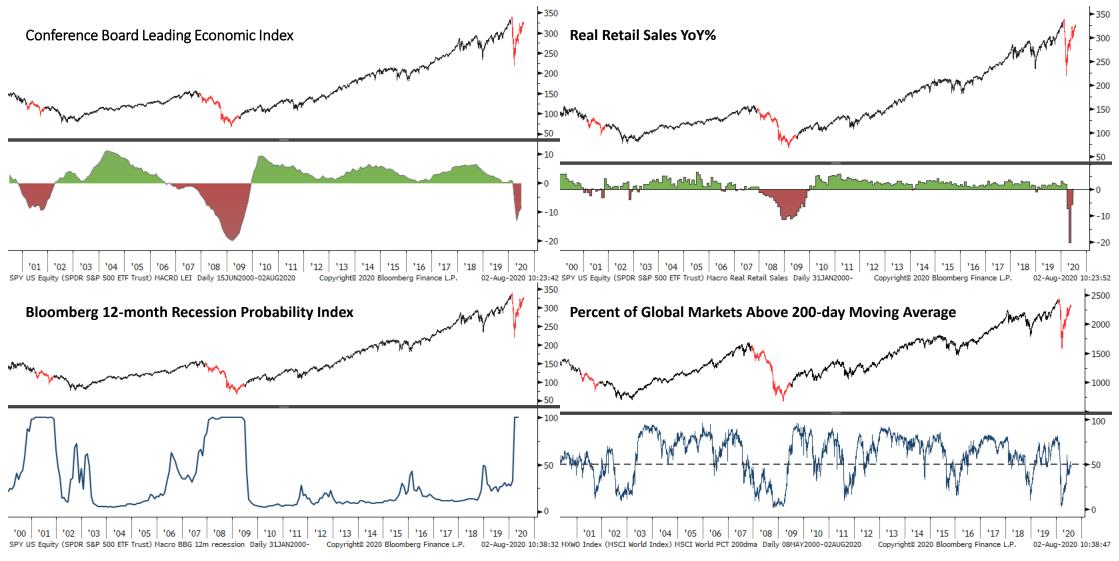
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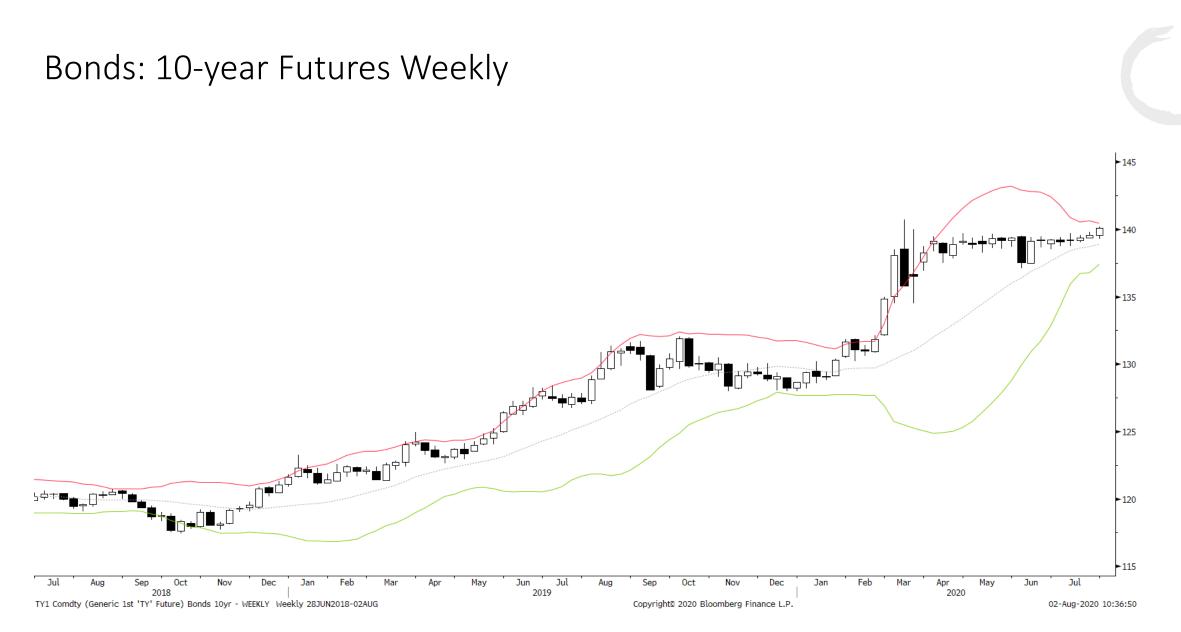


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Bonds: 10-year Futures Monthly





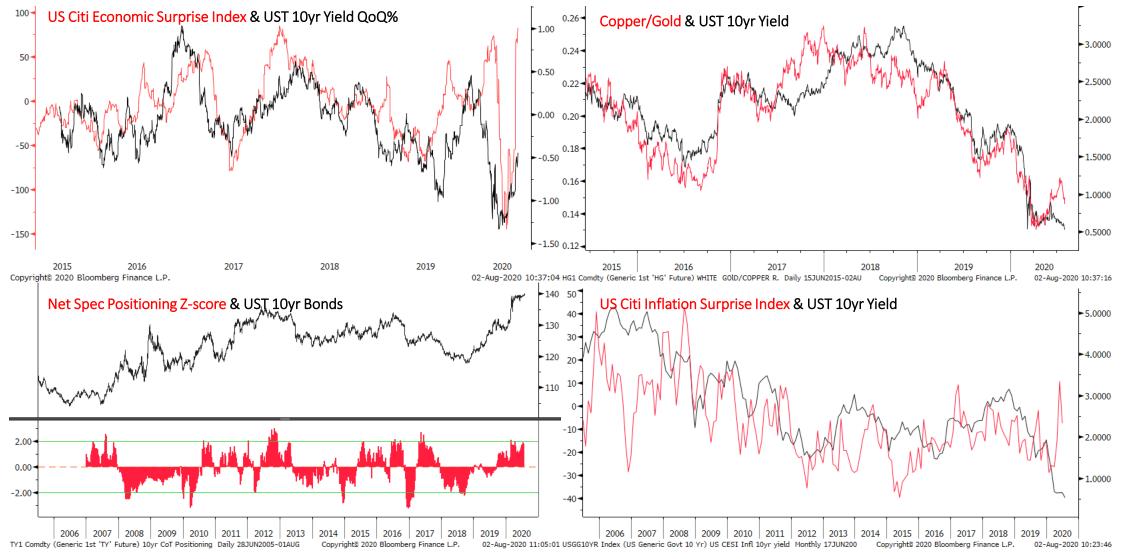
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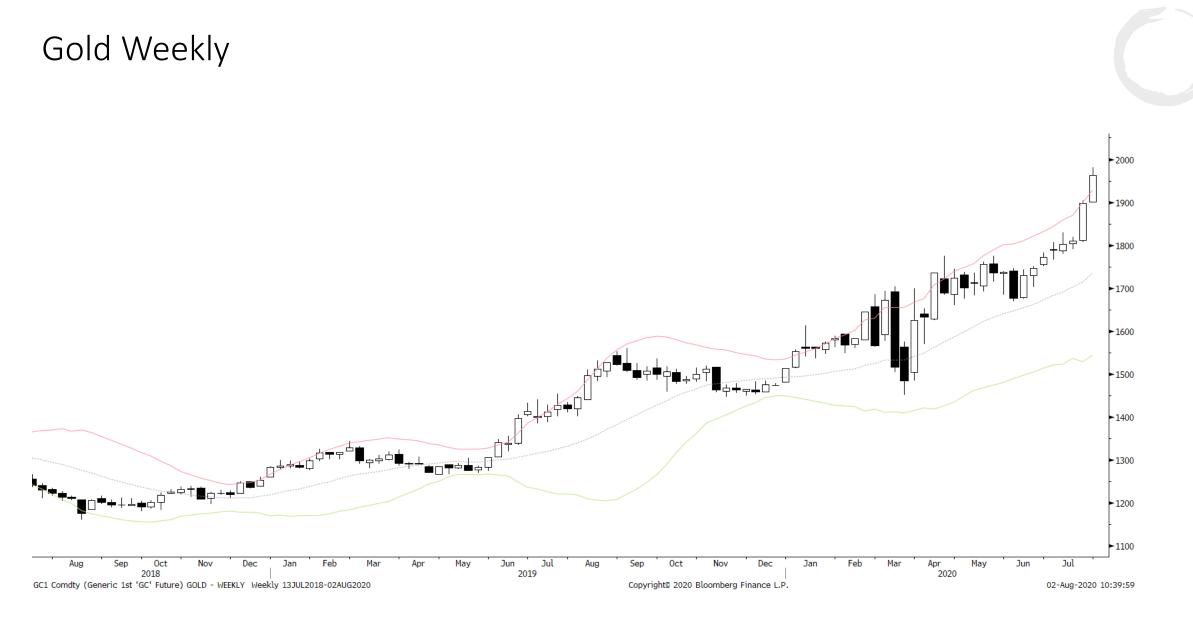
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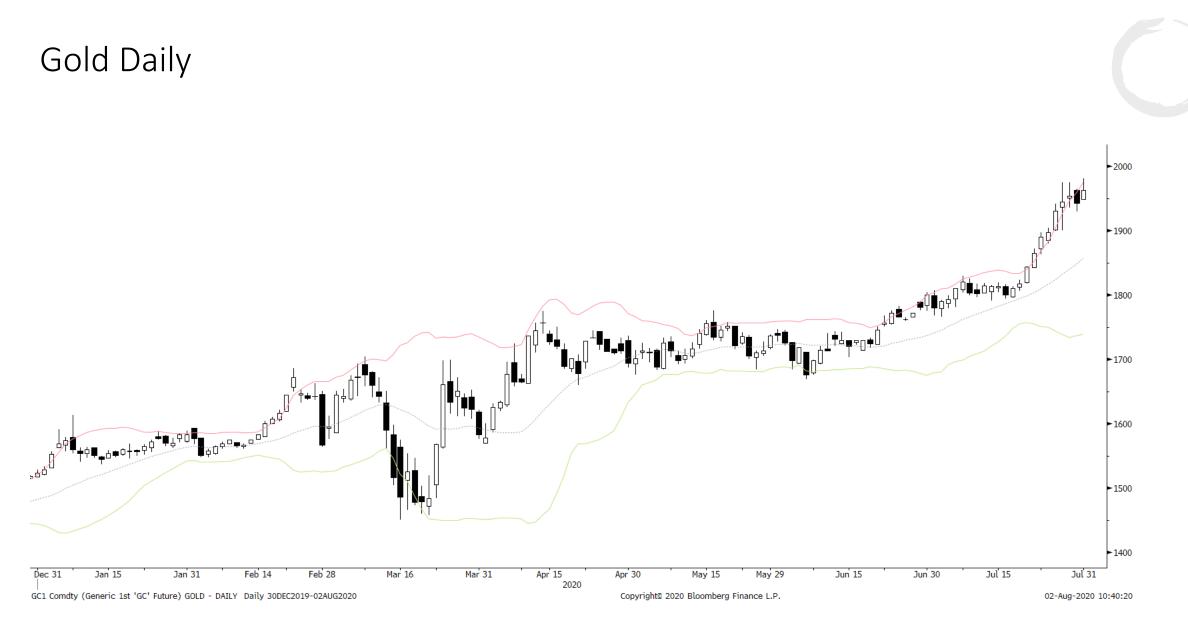




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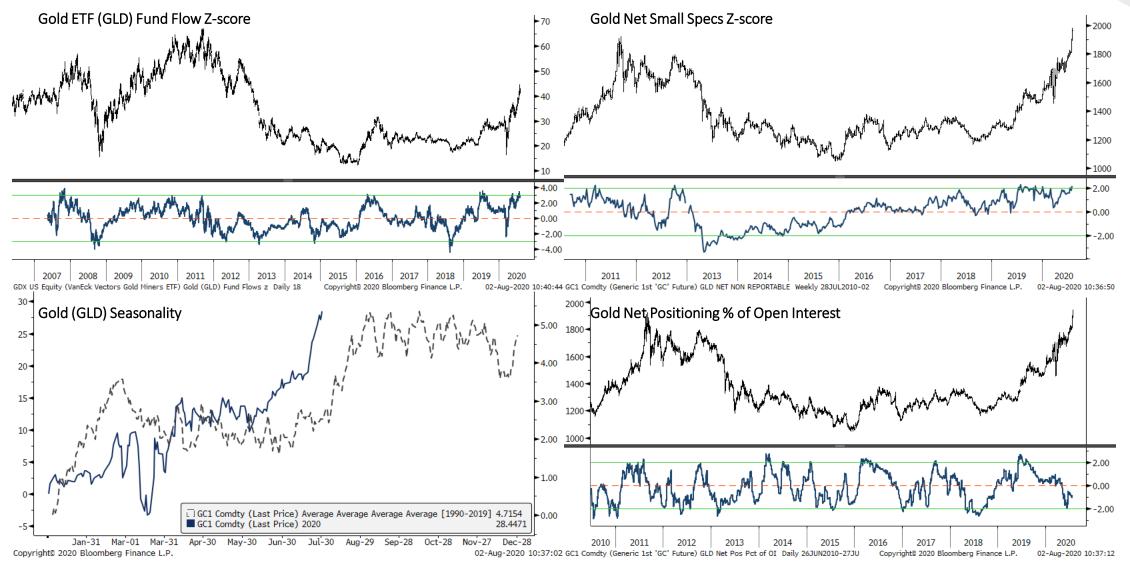
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Gold Indicators



EURUSD Monthly







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EURUSD Indicators



The Four Pillars Portfoli		<u>YTD Return</u>			
			26.40%		
The Core	<u>Allocation</u>				
Large Cap Equities (/ES_F or VOO)	25%				
Short-term Bills (/ZT_F or VGSH)	25%				
Long-term Bonds (/ZB_F or TLT)	25%				
Gold (/GC_F or GLD)	25%				
Big Bets	Thematic	Cost Basis	At Risk	Risk Point	Last Price
Cameco (CCJ)	Deep Value/Cyclical	\$7.25	Above B/E	\$8.50	\$10.16
Altisource Portfolio Solutions (ASPS)	Deep Value/Swing	\$10.16	B/E	\$10.16	\$13.43
Bollore (BOL)	Hidden Deep Value	\$2.46	B/E	\$2.46	\$2.83
Interactive Brokers (IBKR)	Value/Technical	\$47.39	100bps	\$41.14	\$49.38
Ammo, Inc (POWW)	Value/Growth	\$2.30	150bps		\$2.69
Centrus Energy (LEU)	Deep Value/Cyclical	\$10.50	100bps	\$9.15	\$14.80
Hello Fresh (HFG.F)	Value/Growth	\$45.57	50bps	\$41.58	\$46.24
Silver (SI_U20)	Trend	18.88	100bps	17.78	24.215
CADUSD (6CU2020)	Swing	0.74515	100bps	0.73845	0.74720
MXNUSD (6MU2020)	Swing	0.04191	B/E	0.04045	0.04474
Bitcoin (BTCQ2020)	Trend/Breakout	10040	100	9230	11610