

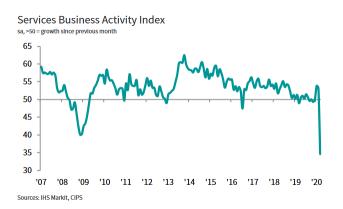
The Long and Short of it – Weekly Update

Week in review - Welcome to Slowdown Central

The reality check of the impact of the coronavirus on the economy started to hit home as the US data showed record weekly rise in new jobless claims, the California figure of 858,000 topping the all-time high for the US. In Europe, the Eurozone Markit PMI figures, published on Friday, paint a picture of savage downturn, falling from 51.6 in February to a record low of 27.9, while Friday's UK PMI figures for March revealed the worst decline on record.

On the investment side, the roll call of company announcements announcing dividend suspensions includes BAE Systems, Barclays, Lloyds Banking Group and, at the same time, oil majors like BP and Royal Dutch Shell have indicated significant reductions in planned capital expenditure. These two companies have yet to mention any change in dividend policy. Absent a significant pick-up in demand, a reduction at some point would seem inevitable.

Chart of the week: IHS MARKIT / CIPS UK SERVICES PMI®



"Mirroring the trend for output volumes, latest data indicated a survey-record drop in new work received by service providers. The rate of decline was also much sharper than the previous record seen in November 2008.

Survey respondents overwhelmingly attributed lower demand to a slump in business and consumer spending amid emergency public health measures to halt the spread of COVID-19."

Source: https://www.markiteconomics.com/Public/Home/PressRelease/61f043b216da42618ff2559dd8435bc6

Week ahead - Expect more of the same

In the run up to the Easter weekend, with the pandemic yet to hit its peak in Europe and North America, it is hard to see reasons for investors to be particularly enthusiastic. The weekly rise in jobless claims in the US will give an indication of whether it is on course to see another 10 million jobs lost in a two-week period. Treasury Secretary Mnuchin has indicated a 20% unemployment rate in a worst-case scenario.

ETP OPEC+ meets again, and investors will be hoping for a deal between the Russians and Saudis. However, without cuts from other suppliers, not least the US producers, it is hard to see how prices can recover given weak demand. Consequently, any deal however significant is probably going to be no more than a short-term palliative, particularly for oil stocks.

No company announcements scheduled.

Top performing ETPs over the week

Top performing long ETP 3x Long Royal Dutch Shell (3LRD) +44.7%

Top performing short ETP 3x Short Rolls-Royce (3SRR) +137.4%

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Weekly performance and moving averages – Underlying stocks

Underlying stock	Closing price 3 Apr 2020	Weekly change	MA 200d	MA 50d	High - 52w	Low - 52w	Price vs 52w High
AstraZeneca	7,144.00	5.0%	7,185.16	7,229.54	7,948.00	5,626.00	-10.1%
BAE Systems	500.00	-3.1%	565.38	588.13	672.60	428.60	-25.7%
Barclays	80.24	-17.6%	155.20	139.92	192.96	73.04	-58.4%
ВР	337.30	10.4%	477.30	393.20	583.40	222.90	-42.2%
Diageo	2,458.00	-2.2%	3,161.16	2,815.21	3,633.50	2,139.00	-32.4%
Glencore	120.00	-3.2%	227.51	185.60	324.32	109.76	-63.0%
Lloyds Banking Group	27.73	-19.4%	54.33	47.16	69.99	27.70	-60.4%
Rio Tinto	3,761.00	6.6%	4,201.61	3,823.61	4,977.34	2,954.00	-24.4%
Rolls-Royce	251.60	-31.0%	706.99	556.91	939.61	249.00	-73.2%
Royal Dutch Shell A	1,471.00	14.7%	2,171.10	1,662.15	2,637.50	946.10	-44.2%
Vodafone	111.02	-4.4%	146.67	134.92	169.46	92.76	-34.5%

3x Long ETP performance

Underlying stock	Ticker	30-Mar	31-Mar	01-Apr	02-Apr	03-Apr	1 Week	Last 20 days
AstraZeneca	3LAZ	13.1%	4.8%	-4.8%	-5.2%	7.1%	14.6%	40.1%
BAE Systems	3LBA	-4.5%	7.9%	-19.7%	6.5%	1.1%	-10.9%	-21.8%
Barclays	3LBC	-10.4%	0.4%	-36.0%	-4.3%	-5.1%	-47.7%	-66.3%
ВР	3LBP	17.8%	19.2%	-9.3%	17.8%	-13.7%	29.6%	42.5%
Diageo	3LDO	7.4%	1.4%	-14.3%	0.6%	-1.3%	-7.3%	-10.2%
Glencore	3LGL	-11.9%	11.8%	-11.2%	19.4%	-16.2%	-12.5%	-41.8%
Lloyds Banking Group	3LLL	-7.9%	-13.4%	-35.0%	6.8%	-12.3%	-51.4%	-67.6%
Rio Tinto	3LRI	12.4%	3.6%	-9.0%	9.5%	3.2%	19.7%	37.0%
Rolls-Royce	3LRR	-35.7%	17.9%	-31.4%	-26.4%	-28.6%	-72.7%	-93.1%
Royal Dutch Shell A	3LRD	9.8%	21.2%	0.5%	25.4%	-13.8%	44.7%	70.7%
Vodafone	3LVO	-4.5%	-3.6%	-9.0%	1.9%	1.9%	-13.0%	7.3%

3x Short ETP performance

Underlying stock	Ticker	30-Mar	31-Mar	01-Apr	02-Apr	03-Apr	1 Week	Last 20 days
AstraZeneca	3SAZ	-13.2%	-4.8%	4.7%	5.1%	-7.1%	-15.4%	-36.1%
BAE Systems	3SBA	4.5%	-7.9%	19.6%	-6.5%	-1.2%	6.4%	-10.2%
Barclays	3SBC	10.3%	-0.4%	35.9%	4.5%	5.1%	63.9%	-3.8%
BP	3SBP	-17.8%	-19.1%	9.1%	-17.7%	13.6%	-32.1%	-67.7%
Diageo	3SDO	-7.4%	-1.4%	14.3%	-0.7%	1.3%	4.9%	-24.4%
Glencore	3SGL	12.1%	-12.1%	11.2%	-19.4%	16.3%	2.6%	-0.6%
Lloyds Banking Group	3SLL	7.8%	13.4%	35.0%	-6.8%	12.2%	72.6%	81.9%
Rio Tinto	3SRI	-12.5%	-3.6%	9.0%	-9.6%	-3.2%	-19.5%	-50.2%
Rolls-Royce	3SRR	35.7%	-18.0%	31.3%	26.2%	28.8%	137.4%	255.2%
Royal Dutch Shell A	3SRD	-10.0%	-21.3%	-0.5%	-25.4%	13.7%	-40.2%	-74.0%
Vodafone	3SVO	4.5%	3.5%	9.0%	-1.9%	-2.0%	13.3%	-31.7%

Data and charts

All performance data to 3 April 2020. Data and charts sourced from Bloomberg, unless otherwise indicated. Company events data sourced from company websites.



Company	AstraZeneca (AZN)	AZN Performance		
Listed ETPs	3x Long AstraZeneca Daily ETP (3LAZ)	1 week	5.0%	
	3x Short AstraZeneca Daily ETP (3SAZ)	1 month	-4.2%	
		YTD	-4.2%	
Exchange	London Stock Exchange	Price vs 52w high	-10.1%	

On an absolute basis, not immune from general market weakness, however displaying its defensive qualities with relative outperformance to the FTSE-100. Positive news on drug approval is having minor price impact in this environment, unless it is COVID-19 related.

Chart with moving averages and RSI indicator



Consensus forecasts

		12/31/2020			12/31/2021	
	Net Income	EPS	DPS	Net Income	EPS	DPS
Current	\$5.2 b	\$4.10	\$2.80	\$6.6 b	\$5.08	\$2.81
1 month change	-2.4%	-7.4%	0.4%	- 1.7 %	-2.3%	-1.2%

Upcoming events

29/04/20 Q1 Results

30/07/20 Half Year Results

13/08/20 XD, 1st Interim Dividend

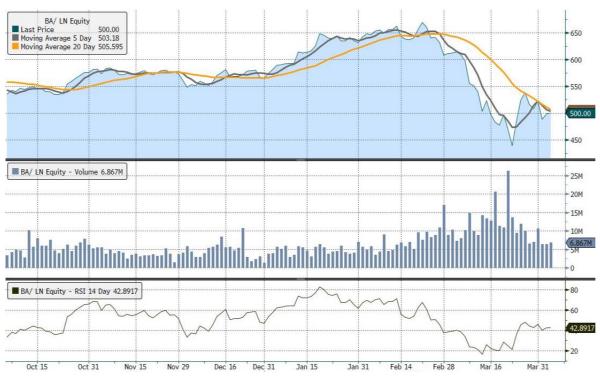
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Company	BAE Systems (BA.)	BA. Performance		
Listed ETPs	3x Long BAE Systems Daily ETP (3LBA)	1 week	-3.1%	
	3x Short BAE Systems Daily ETP (3SBA)	1 month	-18.5%	
		YTD	-11.5%	
Exchange	London Stock Exchange	Price vs 52w high	-25.7%	

Under most conditions, this stock would be viewed as defensive and one to deliver relative outperformance but Covid-19 is providing a different kind of challenge. This was highlighted the announced suspension of the final dividend this week as the business seeks to preserve cash.

Chart with moving averages and RSI indicator



Consensus forecasts

	12/31/2020			12/31/2021		
	Net Income	EPS	DPS	Net Income	EPS	DPS
Current	£1.5 b	\$0.48	\$0.24	£1.6 b	\$0.52	\$0.26
1 month change	-3.0%	-0.8%	0.0%	-0.4%	-0.6%	0.0%

Upcoming events

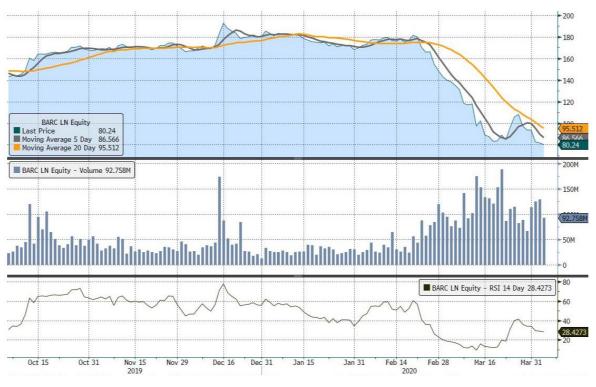
16/04/20 XD, Final Dividend



Company	Barclays (BARC)	BARC Performance		
Listed ETPs	3x Long Barclays Daily ETP (3LBC)	1 week	-17.6%	
	3x Short Barclays Daily ETP (3SBC)	1 month	-42.1%	
		YTD	-55.3%	
Exchange	London Stock Exchange	Price vs 52w high	-58.4%	

Under severe pressure along with under banking stocks. Week saw the announcement on 1 April not to undertake any interim ordinary share dividend payments, accrual of ordinary share dividends, or share buybacks in 2020. This included cancelling the 6p full year dividend due for payment on 3 April.

Chart with moving averages and RSI indicator



Consensus forecasts

		12/31/2020			12/31/2021	
	Net Income	EPS	DPS	Net Income	EPS	DPS
Current	£4.5 b	\$0.21	\$0.39	£6.6 b	\$0.32	\$0.40
1 month change	-56.0%	-41.0%	-6.1%	-40.2%	-43.1%	-6.5%

Upcoming events

29/04/20 Q1 Results 07/05/20 AGM



Company	BP (BP.)	BP. Performance		
Listed ETPs	3x Long BP Daily TP (3LBP)	1 week	10.4%	
	3x Short BP Daily ETP (3SBP)	1 month	-20.2%	
		YTD	-27.2%	
Exchange	London Stock Exchange	Price vs 52w high	-42.2%	

Outperformed the market over the week as investors were encouraged by talk of a possible deal between the Saudis and Russian to take 10mbd of oil out of the market. One of the last majors to announce reductions in Capex, its short-term fortunes likely to be tied to the evolution of the oil price.





Consensus forecasts

		12/31/2020			12/31/2021	
	Net Income	EPS	DPS	Net Income	EPS	DPS
Current	£3.5 b	\$0.16	\$0.07	£3.9 b	\$0.21	\$0.08
1 month change	-13.0%	-12.2%	-29.4%	-5.6%	-14.8%	-20.4%

Upcoming events

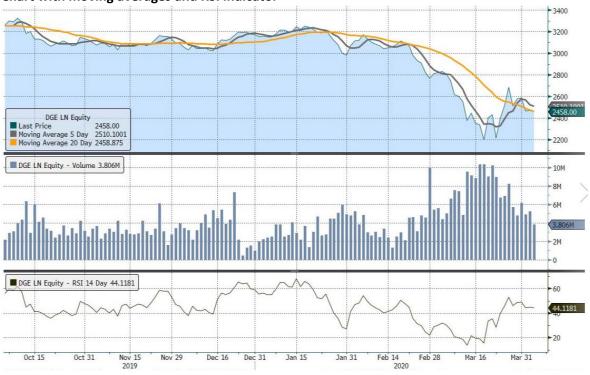
28/04/20 Q1 Results 07/05/20 XD, Q1 Dividend 28/07/20 Q2 Results



Company	Diageo (DGE)	DGE Performance		
Listed ETPs	3x Long Diageo Daily ETP (3LDO)	1 week	-2.2%	
	3x Short Diageo Daily ETP (3SDO)	1 month	-13.2%	
		YTD	-22.5%	
Exchange	London Stock Exchange	Price vs 52w high	-32.4%	

Share price development have generally been reflective of its defensive qualities. Following the company trading update on 26 February, watch out for a further update given the subsequent spread of the pandemic and the lockdown implemented in some of its key markets.

Chart with moving averages and RSI indicator



Consensus forecasts

		6/30/2020			6/30/2021	
	Net Income	EPS	DPS	Net Income	EPS	DPS
Current	£2.9 b	\$1.25	\$0.71	£3.2 b	\$1.38	\$0.76
1 month change	-6.5%	-3.1%	-0.8%	-3.9%	-3.8%	-0.5%

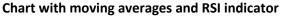
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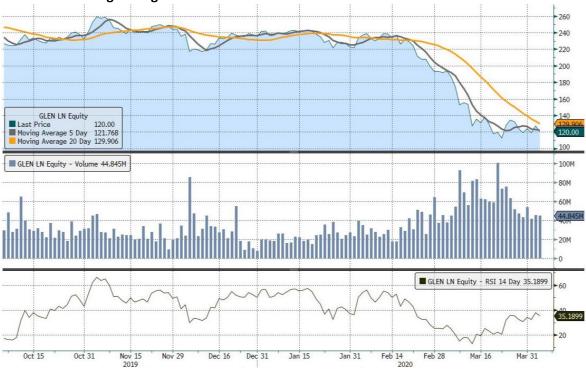
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Company	Glencore (GLEN)	GLEN Performance	
Listed ETPs	3x Long Glencore Daily ETP (3LGL)	1 week	-3.2%
	3x Short Glencore Daily ETP (3SGL)	1 month	-38.0%
		YTD	-49.0%
Exchange	London Stock Exchange	Price vs 52w high	-63.0%

Weak commodity prices and falling economic activity are not price supportive. Covid-19 update on 26 March in relation to mining activities stated that "To date, our larger operations have not been materially impacted, however a number of our smaller assets have had to restrict or stop operations".





Consensus forecasts

	12/31/2020			12/31/2021		
	Net Income	EPS	DPS	Net Income	EPS	DPS
Current	\$1.6 b	\$0.12	\$0.16	\$2.4 b	\$0.19	\$0.17
1 month change	-32.2%	-22.5%	-8.3%	-22.8%	-22.3%	-3.4%

Upcoming events

30/04/20 Q1 Production Report

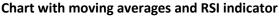
31/07/20 Half Year Production Report

05/08/20 Half Year Results



Company	Lloyds Banking Group (LLOY)	LLOY Performance		
Listed ETPs	3x Long Lloyds Banking Group Daily ETP (3LLL)	1 week	-19.4%	
	3x Short Lloyds Banking Group Daily ETP (3SLL)	1 month	-42.7%	
		YTD	-55.6%	
Exchange	London Stock Exchange	Price vs 52w high	-60.4%	

As with Barclays, announced on 1 April that it would undertake no quarterly or interim dividend payments, accrual of dividends, or share buybacks on ordinary shares in 2020. Final 2019 dividend was also cancelled. Remains highly geared to the fortunes of the UK economy.





Consensus forecasts

	12/31/2020			12/31/2021		
	Net Income	EPS	DPS	Net Income	EPS	DPS
Current	\$3.8 b	\$0.06	\$0.03	\$3.9 b	\$0.06	\$0.03
1 month change	-21.3%	-12.9%	-10.0%	-18.8%	-13.6%	-19.4%

Upcoming events

30/04/20 Q1 Interim Management Statement

21/05/20 Annual General Meeting

30/07/20 Half Year Results



Company	Rio Tinto (RIO)	RIO Performance	
Listed ETPs	3x Long Rio Tinto Daily ETP (3LRI)	1 week	6.6%
	3x Short Rio Tinto Daily ETP (3SRI)	1 month	0.3%
		YTD	-12.5%
Exchange	London Stock Exchange	Price vs 52w high	-24.4%

Relative strength over the week and month despite continued commodity price weakness. In the update on 24 March about curtailing or ceasing activity in Quebec and South Africa, company indicated it would report any impacts to operations or production guidance to the market.

Chart with moving averages and RSI indicator



Consensus forecasts

	12/31/2020			12/31/2021		
	Net Income	EPS	DPS	Net Income	EPS	DPS
Current	\$8.3 b	\$5.26	\$3.28	\$7.1 b	\$4.41	\$2.78
1 month change	-3.9%	-4.5%	-7.2 %	-6.6%	-4.4%	-4.2%

Upcoming events

08/04/20 AGM

17/04/20 Q1 Operations Review

16/07/20 Q2 Operations Review



Company	Rolls-Royce Holdings (RR.)	RR. Performance		
Listed ETPs	3x Long Rolls-Royce Daily ETP (3LRR)	1 week	-31.0%	
	3x Short Rolls-Royce Daily ETP (3SRR)	1 month	-58.6%	
		YTD	-63.2%	
Exchange	London Stock Exchange	Price vs 52w high	-73.2%	

Extreme relative weakness as various airlines ground planes and go to governments to request bailouts. The outlook for global air travel will be one of key factors for the company's profitability going forward, particularly the long-haul travel aftermarket.

Chart with moving averages and RSI indicator



Consensus forecasts

		12/31/2020			12/31/2021	
	Net Income	EPS	DPS	Net Income	EPS	DPS
Current	£0.33 b	\$0.18	\$0.13	£0.57 b	\$0.30	\$0.14
1 month change	-38.9%	-35.6%	-22.6%	-27.2%	-26.1%	-16.3%

Upcoming events

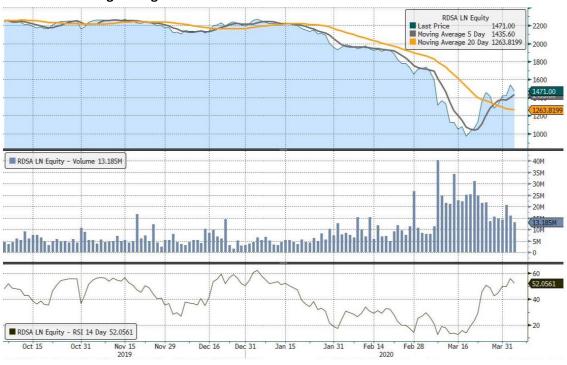
04/08/20 Half year results



Company	Royal Dutch Shell A (RDSA)	RDSA Performance		
Listed ETPs	3x Long Royal Dutch Shell Daily ETP (3LRD)	1 week	14.7%	
	3x Short Royal Dutch Shell Daily ETP (3SRD)	1 month	-15.3%	
		YTD	-33.0%	
Exchange	London Stock Exchange	Price vs 52w high	-44.2%	

Outperformed the market over the week as investors were encouraged by talk of a possible deal between the Saudis and Russian to take 10mbd of oil out of the market. Apart from watching the gyrations in oil price, the big question on investors' minds will be, "Can Shell maintain its dividend?" History would suggest it can, but this time could just be different.

Chart with moving averages and RSI indicator



Consensus forecasts

		12/31/2020			12/31/2021	
	Net Income	EPS	DPS	Net Income	EPS	DPS
Current	\$8.6 b	\$0.99	\$1.83	\$12.6 b	\$1.55	\$1.89
1 month change	-54.5%	-41.3%	-3.6%	-38.5%	-45.1%	-2.2%

Upcoming events

20/05/20 Q1 2020 Results

19/05/20 AGM

30/07/20 Q2 2020 Results



Company	Vodafone (VOD)	VOD Performance	
Listed ETPs	3x Long Vodafone Daily ETP (3LVO)	1 week	-4.4%
	3x Short Vodafone Shell Daily ETP (3SVO)	1 month	-20.5%
		YTD	-24.4%
Exchange	London Stock Exchange	Price vs 52w high	-34.5%

Relative strength on the week, but over the past month perhaps less resilient than might be expected for a defensive stock. No COVID-19 trading updates to date and on the corporate front it announced on 1 April that it had completed the sale of Vodafone Malta to Monaco Telecom SAM for a cash consideration equivalent to an Enterprise Value of €250 million.

Chart with moving averages and RSI indicator



Consensus forecasts

	3/31/2020			3/31/2021		
	Net Income	EPS	DPS	Net Income	EPS	DPS
Current	£1.83 b	\$0.08	\$0.09	£2.62 b	\$0.10	\$0.09
1 month change	0.6%	-6.1%	0.0%	-1.8%	-1.9%	0.0%

Upcoming events

12/05/20 Full Year Results



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