WEEKLY ECONOMIC REVIEW AUGUST 7, 2026

Adjusting the course

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A look at markets this week

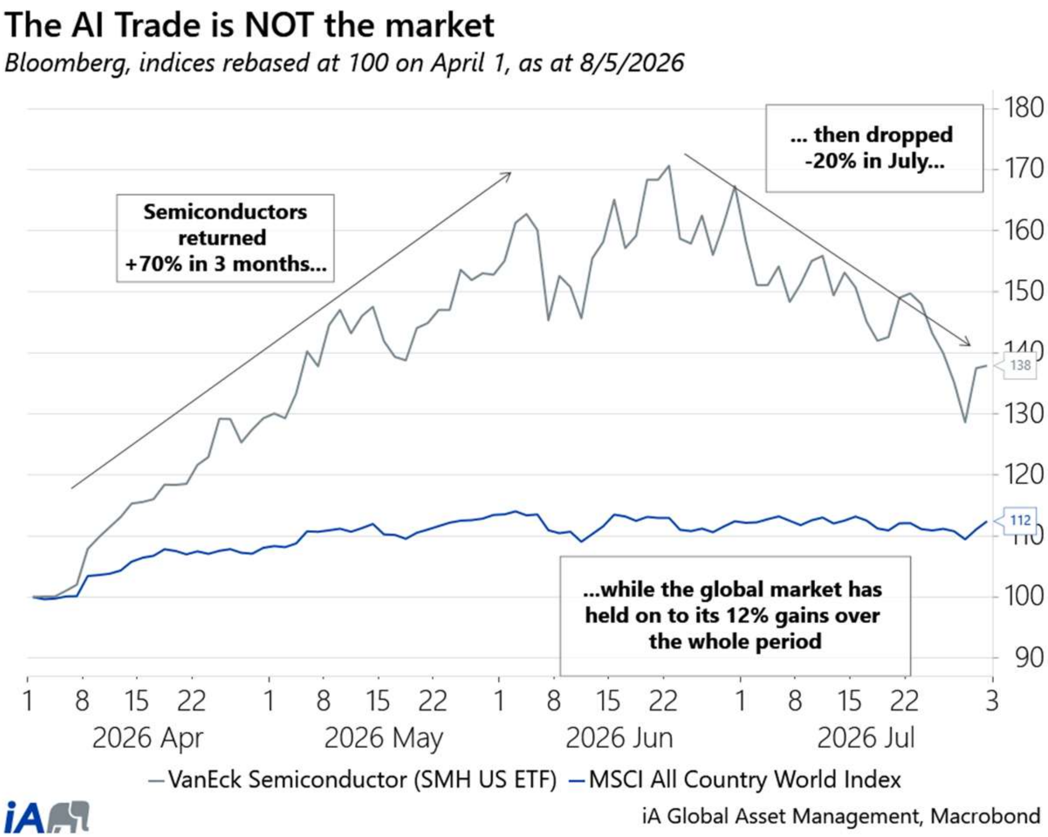
Total returns, at the close on Thursday

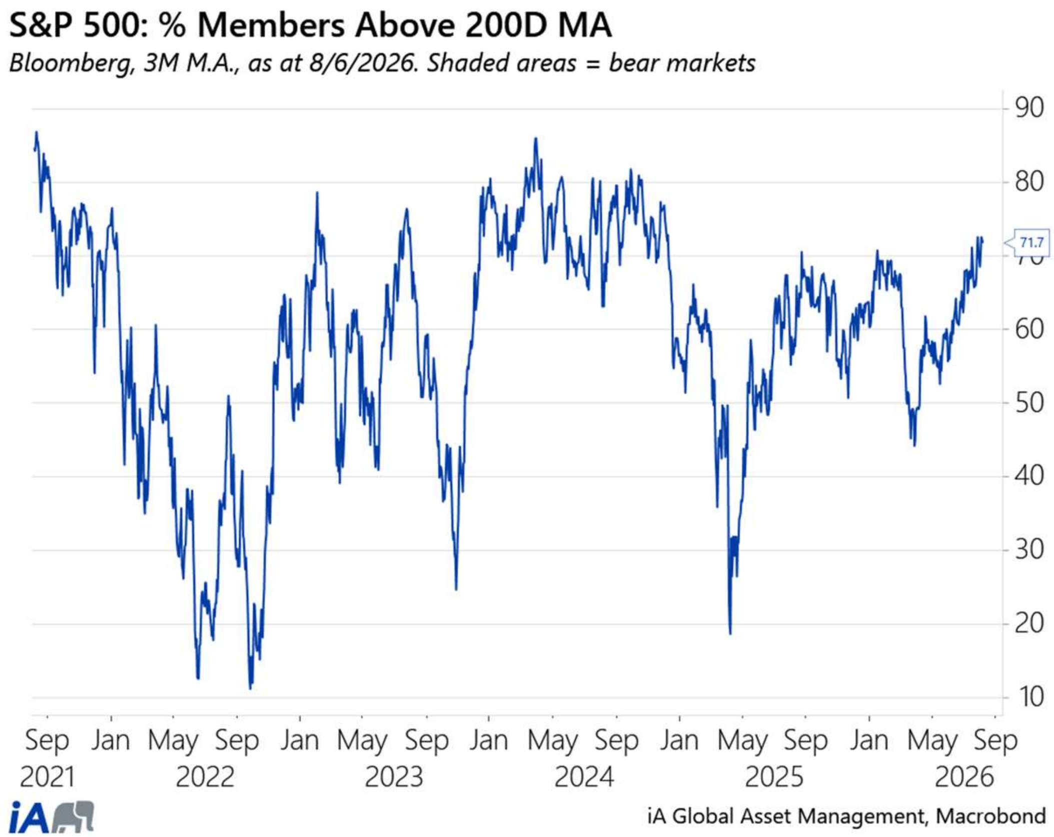
		WEEK TO DATE		YEAR TO DATE	
		Return in local currency	Return in CAD	Return in local currency	Return in CAD
Canadian bonds	FTSE TMX Universe	0.26%		0.92%	
	FTSE TMX Long	0.35%		-0.05%	
	Corps	0.24%		1.25%	
Equities	S&P/TSX	2.59%		15.43%	
	S&P 500	2.95%	2.89%	13.38%	15.77%
	NASDAQ	3.84%	3.78%	13.74%	16.13%
	MSCI EAFE	1.42%	1.64%	14.34%	15.87%
	MSCI Emerging	-0.60%	-0.46%	20.56%	22.08%

		Current price	Return WTD	Return YTD
Other	Oil (WTI)	77.29 $	-8.72%	34.60%
	USD/CAD	0.7136 $	0.06%	-2.06%
	EUR/USD	1.1525 $	-0.02%	-1.88%
	Gold	4 239.42 $	4.78%	-1.85%

Source: iA Global Asset Management, data via Bloomberg, weekly returns since the close of July 31, 2026

Equities: A broad market

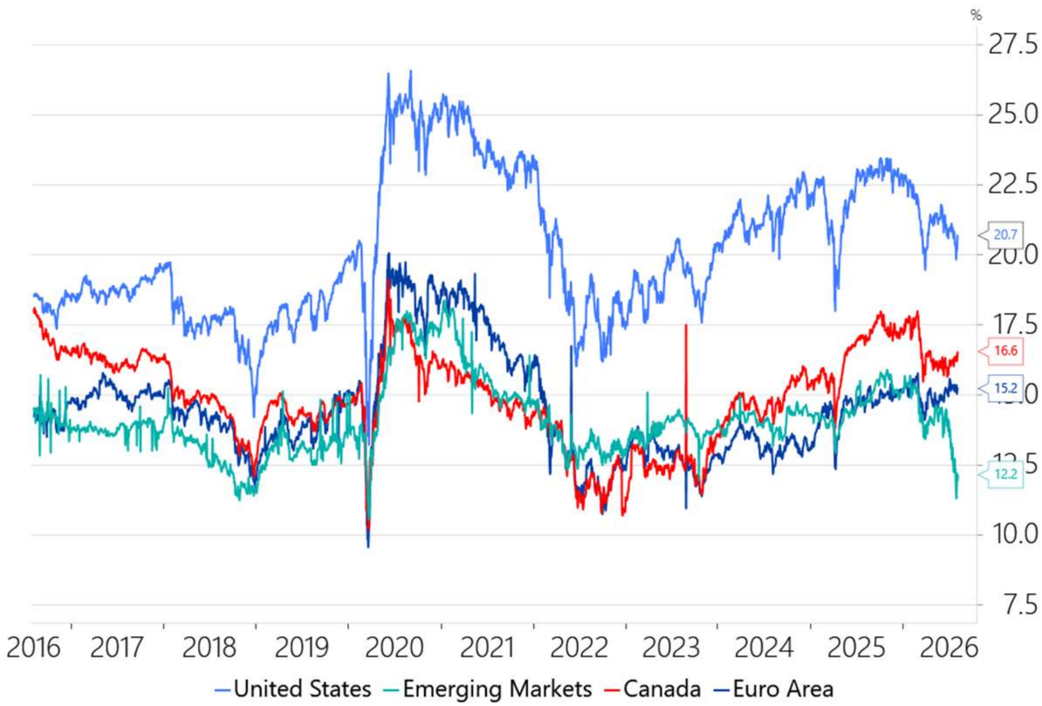




Equities: Still driven by earnings

Global Equities: Fwd P/E ratios

FactSet, Fwd P/E ratios, broad indices, as at 8/5/2026



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Global Equities: Earnings Growth Expectations

FactSet, NTM EPS growth, broad indices, as at 8/5/2026

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New Fed Chair's learning curve

Fed Governor Cook says she's 'prepared to act' on rate hike to address inflation

Warsh Floats Cut in Number of Fed Rate-Setting Meetings

Meeting fewer than eight times a year would mark a substantial shift but would fit Chairman Kevin Warsh's goal of drawing less attention to the central bank

Fed's Kashkari says 'now is the time to start slowly moving' rates up

Kevin Warsh to stick with lean Fed messaging despite market backlash

Rate hike watch - Fed's Schmid says tighter policy needed as inflation stays too high

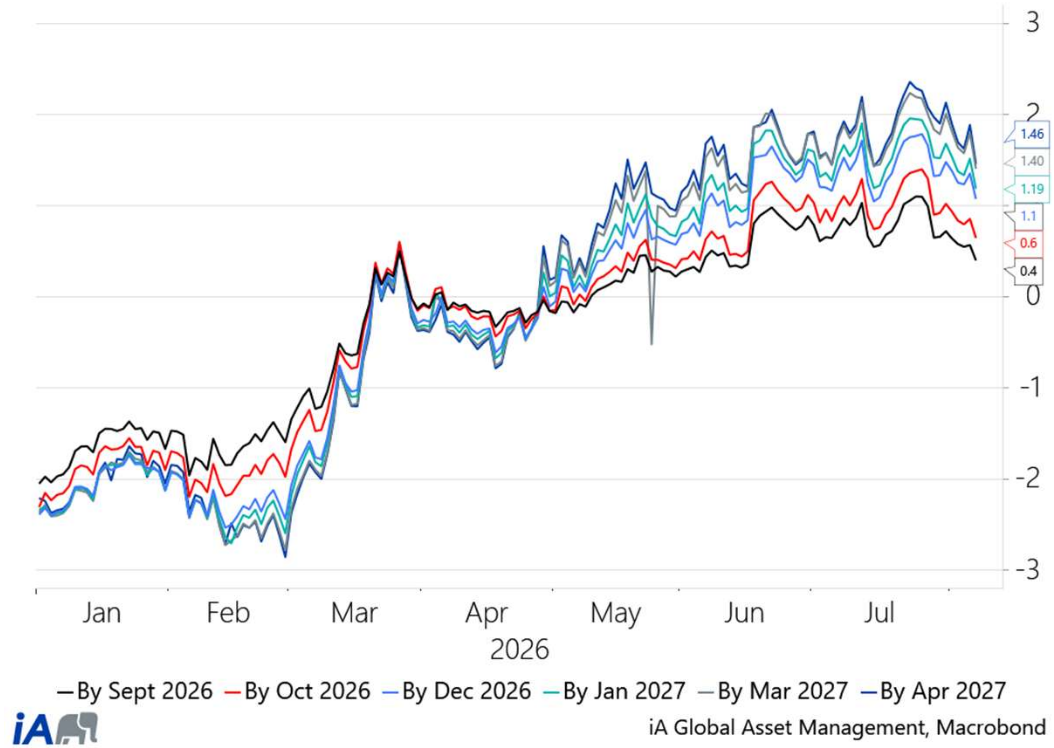
FT Says Fed Chair Warsh to Keep Brief Messaging Strategy, Open to September Rate Hike

Source: CNBC, InvestingLive, WSJ, FT, bloomingbit

The yield curve is doing some of the Fed's hiking, while markets are de-pricing the odds of hikes in 2026

U.S.: 30Y - 2Y Government Bond Spread (bps)
Bloomberg, as at 8/6/2026

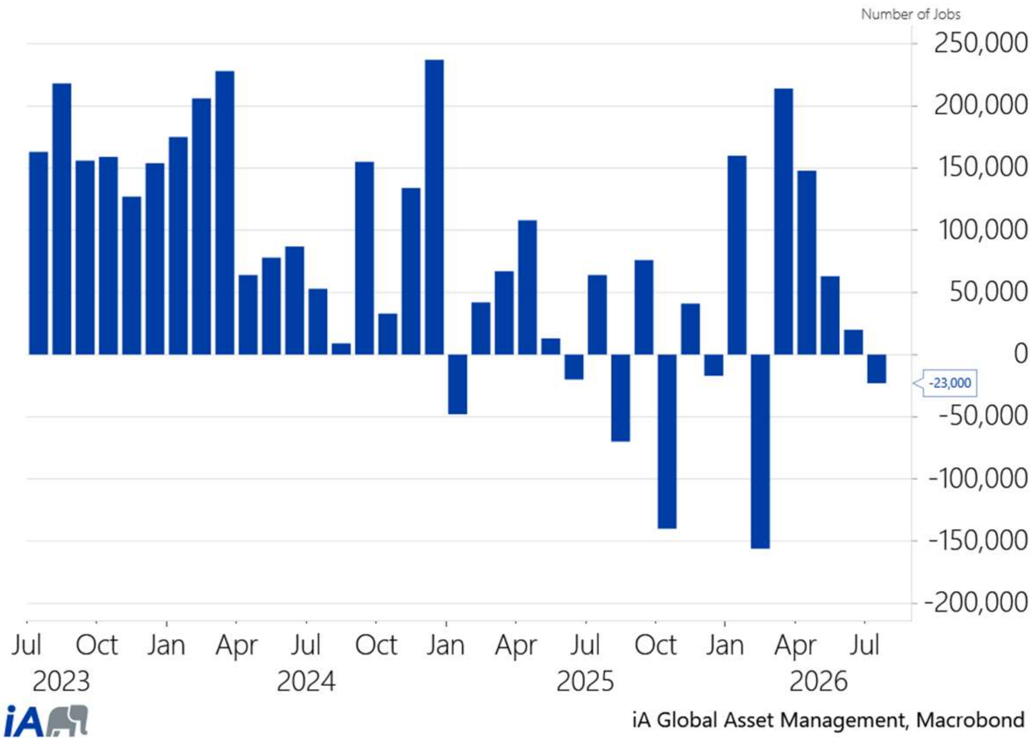
Federal Reserve: Number of Hikes/Cuts Expected By Month
Market Implied, OIS Model, as at 8/7/2026



Jobs: Strong momentum in Canada, weakening in the U.S.

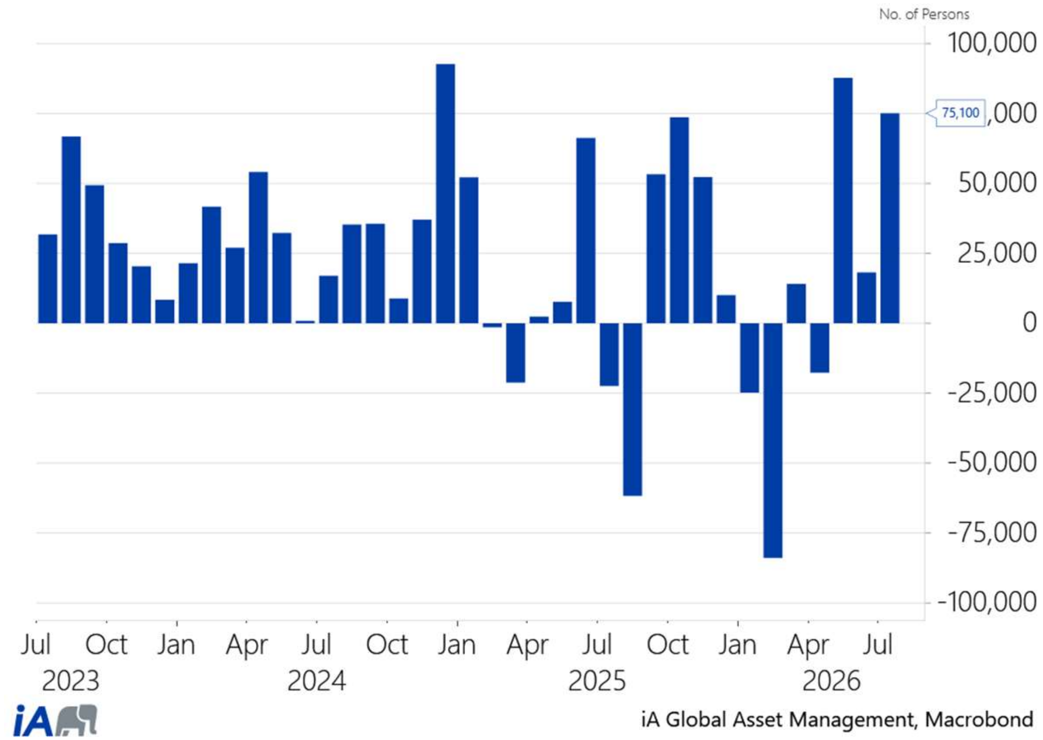
U.S.: Net Change in Nonfarm Payrolls

U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS), MoM, as at 7/2026



Canada: Net Change in Employment

Labour Force Survey, MoM, as at 7/2026



What we'll be watching next week

Canada	▪ Building Permits ▪ Manufacturing Sales
United States	▪ CPI Inflation ▪ PPI Inflation ▪ Retail Sales

MACRO PLAYLIST

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