

Economic Calendar				
26-Mar	27-Mar	28-Mar	29-Mar	30-Mar
Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
Market Focus	Redbook	Bank Reserve Settlement	Weekly Bill Settlement	
Chicago Fed National Activity Index	S&P Corelogic Case-Shiller HPI	MBA Mortgage Applications	52-Week Bill Settlement	
Dallas Fed Mfg Survey	Consumer Confidence	GDP	10-Yr TIPS Settlement	
4-Week Bill Announcement	Richmond Fed Manufacturing Index	International Trade in Goods	Jobless Claims	
3-Month Bill Auction	Raphael Bostic Speaks	Corporate Profits	Personal Income and Outlays	
6-Month Bill Auction	4-Week Bill Auction	Retail Inventories [Advance]	Chicago PMI	
William Dudley Speaks	52-Week Bill Auction	Wholesale Inventories [Advance]	Bloomberg Consumer Comfort Index	
2-Yr Note Auction	5-Yr Note Auction	Pending Home Sales Index	Consumer Sentiment	
Loretta Mester Speaks		EIA Petroleum Status Report	EIA Natural Gas Report	
		Raphael Bostic Speaks	6-Month Bill Announcement	
		2-Yr FRN Note Auction	Patrick Harker Speaks	
		7-Yr Note Auction	Fed Balance Sheet	
		Farm Prices	Money Supply	
			SIFMA Rec. Early	

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[China's new central bank chief pledges steady opening of financial sector](#)

The new central bank governor Yi Gang said China will push forward financial reforms and further open its financial sector while putting "equal emphasis" on preventing risks through regulation and supervision.

[China's First Ever Yuan Oil Futures Begin Trading in Shanghai](#)

China launched its first ever yuan-denominated crude-futures contract on the Shanghai International Energy Exchange traded at 440.20 yuan a barrel (\$69.70) at 9:01 a.m. local time.

[U.S. and South Korea Reach Trade Agreement](#)

South Korea and the United States have reached a deal over their free trade agreement (known as KORUS) and steel tariffs, and expect to sign the deal soon.

[U.S. sends China to-do list to cut trade imbalances: Wall Street Journal](#)

U.S. Treasury Secretary Steven Mnuchin and U.S. Trade Representative Robert Lighthizer sent a letter to Chinese economic overseer Liu He seeking a tariff cut on U.S. autos to help cut China's trade surplus with the United States.

[Mnuchin: Trump not afraid of a trade war with China - Fox News](#)

Treasury Secretary Steve Mnuchin said President Donald Trump had no intention of backing down and was not worried about a trade war. Mnuchin said he believed the United States could reach an agreement with China on some issues but said the tariffs would not be put on hold.

[Nobel-winner Robert Shiller warns of an 'economic crisis' from trade war threats](#)

Nobel Prize-winning economist Robert Shiller warned that businesses could take a 'wait and see' approach to increased trade tensions between the U.S. and China.

[US tariffs on China could end up getting delayed, Blackstone CEO says](#)

Stephen Schwarzman, CEO of Blackstone Group, said the proposed tariffs of Washington of as much as \$60 billion against goods from China had sparked concerns regarding a trade war. He added most of the type of things being discussed by the U.S. side can be delayed in terms of their implementation.

[U.S. gunmaker Remington files for bankruptcy](#)

Remington Outdoor Co., a major U.S. gun manufacturer, reportedly filed for chapter 11 bankruptcy protection on Sunday. The company, which is facing mounting debt and lawsuits related to the Sandy Hook Elementary School shooting.

[Parliament must have power to stop 'No Deal' Brexit, says opposition Labour](#)

Britain's opposition Labour Party will table amendments to the government's EU withdrawal bill aimed at preventing the UK from crashing out of Europe without a deal if parliament rejects the outcome of the Brexit talks.

[Japan's Abe apologises amid cronyism scandal, vows to revise constitution](#)

Japanese Prime Minister Shinzo Abe apologised again on Sunday for causing anxiety and loss of confidence in his government amid a suspected cronyism scandal and cover-up. He pledged a thorough clarification of the facts and the prevention of a recurrence by pulling the government together.

[Incoming RBNZ chief signals no change in bias after employment added to mandate](#)

Reserve Bank of New Zealand will now include employment in its policy targets and the bank will move to policy by committee instead of leaving interest rate decisions to the governor.

[New Zealand February Trade Surplus NZ\\$217 Million](#)

New Zealand posted a trade surplus in February as imports and exports both increased. Exports jumped 11%, while imports added 4.6%.

[Russia wants to build another bridge to North Korea, so trade doesn't have to go through China](#)

The Ministry for the Development of the Russian Far East said Russia wanted to build another bridge to North Korea that would allow vehicles to go between them without a lengthy detour through China

[South Korean firms hit by GM plant shutdown to get \\$37 million aid: cenbank](#)

South Korea's central bank will offer 40 billion won (\$37 million) of aid to mid-to-small sized companies that are hit by the shutdown of a General Motor's plant.

[Peru central bank to cut reserve requirements for dollar deposits](#)

Peru's central bank said it would cut dollar reserve requirement to 36% from 37% starting in April, which allowing \$181 million to be "immediately" injected into the local financial system.

[EU antitrust chief keeps open threat to break up Google - report](#)

European Commissioner for Competition Margrethe Vestager reckons the threat to split Google into smaller companies must be kept open. Google currently faces new EU rules on its commercial practices with smaller businesses that use its services.

[Alibaba takes aim at Southeast Asia with plans for Thailand logistics centre](#)

Jack Ma will visit Thailand on Friday to announce the group's future investment in the Thai government's flagship Eastern Economic Corridor (EEC) scheme. Alibaba's R&D unit and business development centre for small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) are expected to be in the EEC.

[Hong Kong will not lift post-Fukushima ban on some Japanese food](#)

Chief Executive Carrie Lam Cheng Yuet-ngor expressed her reluctance to lift the food ban on five Japanese prefectures most affected by the Fukushima nuclear disaster in 2011. Lam said this after meeting Japan's foreign minister, Taro Kono.

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