



US Bonds Climb as Trump Suggests War Resolution Eases Inflation Concerns

Description

Treasuries rose in New York after President Donald Trump said the war with Iran might end soon. This news changed the bond markets around the world.

Trump's comments on Monday made oil prices fall below \$90 a barrel. This gave some hope that high energy prices would not cause inflation, which means rising prices for goods. Yields on 10-year Treasuries, which show the interest for borrowing money, fell to about 4.09%.

Many global bond markets had been losing value, but the US government debt market improved. UK yields rose slightly at the end of the day. Traders think the Federal Reserve will not lower interest rates until September.

The Group of Seven finance ministers said they are ready to take steps to help the global energy supply. They can release oil reserves if needed, but they are not doing that now.

Earlier, there were worries about the economy as oil prices rose. If prices stay high, it could hurt economic growth.

Vocabulary List:

1. **Treasuries** /'treɪzərɪz/ (noun): Government bonds issued by the U.S. Treasury; debt securities investors buy to lend money to the government.
2. **Yields** /ji:ldz/ (noun): The return on a bond or other investment often shown as an annual percentage; indicates the cost of borrowing.
3. **Inflation** /ɪn'fleɪʃən/ (noun): A general increase in prices and a fall in the purchasing value of money.
4. **Bond markets** /bænd 'mɑ:rkɪts/ (noun): Financial markets where debt securities (bonds) are issued bought and sold.
5. **Reserves** /rɪ'zɜ:vz/ (noun): Supplies kept for future use; in this article stocks of oil held by governments that can be released if needed.
6. **Energy supply** /'ɛnədʒi sə'plai/ (noun): The availability and distribution of energy (such as oil and gas) to meet demand in an economy or region.

Comprehension Questions



Multiple Choice

1. What did President Trump say about the war with Iran?
 - Option: It will continue indefinitely
 - Option: It might end soon
 - Option: It has already ended
 - Option: It is escalating further
2. What was the yield on 10-year Treasuries mentioned in the text?
 - Option: 3.00%
 - Option: 4.09%
 - Option: 5.25%
 - Option: 2.50%
3. What major economic concern was alleviated by the drop in oil prices?
 - Option: Increased employment
 - Option: Potential inflation
 - Option: High stock market values
 - Option: Decrease in government debt
4. What was the price of oil per barrel after Trump's comments?
 - Option: Above \$100
 - Option: Below \$90
 - Option: Around \$80
 - Option: Exactly \$90
5. What is the expected action of the Federal Reserve regarding interest rates?
 - Option: They will lower rates soon
 - Option: They will raise rates immediately
 - Option: They will keep rates unchanged until September
 - Option: They will eliminate rates altogether
6. What did the Group of Seven finance ministers express readiness to do?
 - Option: Increase oil production
 - Option: Take steps to help the global energy supply
 - Option: Support local businesses exclusively
 - Option: Impose tariffs on oil imports



True-False

7. Trump's comments caused oil prices to rise above \$90 a barrel.
8. Yields on US Treasuries fell after Trump's comments.
9. The UK bond yields declined at the end of the day.
10. The Group of Seven is currently releasing oil reserves.
11. High energy prices are a concern for inflation.
12. The Federal Reserve is likely to lower interest rates immediately.

Gap-Fill

13. Treasuries rose in New York after President Donald Trump said the war with Iran might end soon, changing the _____ markets.
14. Yields on 10-year Treasuries fell to about _____ %.
15. The Group of Seven finance ministers stated they are ready to take steps to help the global _____ supply.
16. Traders think the Federal Reserve will not lower interest rates until _____ .
17. If oil prices stay high, it could hurt economic _____ .

Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. It might end soon 2. 4.09% 3. Potential inflation 4. Below \$90 5. They will keep rates unchanged until September 6. Take steps to help the global energy supply

True-False: 7. False 8. True 9. False 10. False 11. True 12. False

Gap-Fill: 13. bond 14. 4.09 15. energy 16. September 17. growth



Vocabulary quizzes

Multiple Choice (Select the Correct answer for each question.)

1. What does it mean to charge an electric vehicle?
Option: To provide energy
Option: To repair a part
Option: To clean the interior
Option: To resell the product
2. Who is responsible for making major corporate decisions?
Option: Chief Financial Officer
Option: Chief Executive Officer
Option: Chief Operations Officer
Option: Chief Marketing Officer
3. What type of investment are Treasuries?
Option: Stocks
Option: Bonds
Option: Commodities
Option: Options
4. What typically causes prices to rise over time?
Option: Deflation
Option: Stagnation
Option: Inflation
Option: Recession
5. What are typical paths taken by airlines called?
Option: Locations
Option: Destinations
Option: Routes
Option: Terminals
6. What is often provided to improve services or products?
Option: Criticism
Option: Praise
Option: Feedback
Option: Neglect
7. Who provides capital to businesses in exchange for financial returns?



- Option: Consumers
- Option: Developers
- Option: Investors
- Option: Managers

8. What is crucial for running multiple industries?

- Option: Energy sources
- Option: Energy supply
- Option: Energy demand
- Option: Energy efficiency

9. What do companies offer to raise capital from investors?

- Option: Bonds
- Option: Stocks
- Option: Loans
- Option: Dividends

10. What often arises between differing interests?

- Option: Harmony
- Option: Union
- Option: Conflict
- Option: Agreement

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Gap-Fill (Fill in the blanks with the correct word from the vocabulary list.)

11. Electric vehicles can be charged at dedicated charging _____.

12. The software has been released in a newer _____.

13. Customers need to make _____ for their travel plans.

14. The company's annual _____ has increased significantly.

15. Airlines are concerned about the rising cost of _____.

16. Travel _____ have soared during the holiday season.

17. Stock prices _____ due to investor panic.

18. The government issued a statement addressing public _____ about the economy.



19. Many people are _____ about rising inflation rates.

20. The director requested _____ from the team about the new project.

Matching Sentences (Match each definition to the correct word from the vocabulary list.)

21. Multiple companies strive to compete in the global market.
22. The new electric vehicle features a state-of-the-art motor for better performance.
23. Treasuries are considered a safe investment for conservative investors.
24. Government bonds typically offer low yields compared to corporate bonds.
25. The bond markets react strongly to changes in interest rates.
26. Oil is commonly measured in terms of price per barrel.
27. The new policy will be implemented companywide to ensure consistency.
28. The president of the company announced a new strategic plan.
29. She is a cofounder of the startup that has gained significant traction in recent months.
30. Airlines are constantly evaluating their routes to optimize efficiency.

Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. To provide energy 2. Chief Executive Officer 3. Bonds 4. Inflation 5. Routes 6. Feedback 7. Investors 8. Energy supply 9. Stocks 10. Conflict

Gap-Fill: 11. stations 12. version 13. reservations 14. revenue 15. jet fuel 16. bookings 17. fell 18. concerns 19. worried 20. comments

Matching sentence: 1. compete 2. motor 3. Treasuries 4. yields 5. bond markets 6. barrel 7. companywide 8. president 9. cofounder 10. routes

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