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\* Potential Market Indicator  
\* Warrants Attention

## Monday, March 8

### [3-Month & 6-Month Bill Auctions](#)

11:30 a.m. ET

Source: U.S. Department of the Treasury

## Tuesday, March 9

### [4-Week & 52-Week Bill Auctions](#)

11:30 a.m. ET

Source: U.S. Department of the Treasury

### [3-Yr Note Auction](#)

1 p.m. ET

Source: U.S. Department of the Treasury

## Wednesday, March 10

### [10-Yr Note Auction](#)

1 p.m. ET

Source: U.S. Department of the Treasury

### [Treasury Budget](#) \*

Review of the federal government's budget surplus and deficit in February.

*A higher deficit means the government must sell more Treasury notes and bonds to fund its operation.*

2 p.m. ET

Source: U.S. Department of the Treasury

## Thursday, March 11

### [International Trade Report](#) \*

The report reveals exports, imports and the overall trade balance in January (data are for two months prior).

*Used to gauge economic trends both domestically and abroad. A smaller trade deficit often means a more bullish dollar; stronger exports can be more bullish for the stock market.*

8:30 a.m. ET

Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA) and Bureau of the Census

### [Jobless Claims](#) \*

First time unemployment claims filed for the week of March 1-6, 2010

*Jobless claims help gauge the strength of the overall labor market.*

8:30 a.m. ET

Source: Employment and Training Administration

### [30-Yr Bond Auction](#)

1 p.m. ET

Source: U.S. Department of the Treasury

## **Friday, March 12**

### [Retail Sales Report](#) \*

Total store sales receipts for durable and nondurable goods in February.

*Consumer spending accounts for two-thirds of GDP so retail sales can be an indicator of economic growth.*

8:30 a.m. ET

Source: Bureau of the Census, U.S. Department of Commerce

### [Consumer Sentiment](#) \*

University of Michigan's Consumer Survey Center questions 500 households each month on their financial conditions and attitudes about the economy (preliminary estimate for March).

*The pattern in consumer attitudes could influence stock and bond markets. Often indicates the strength of consumer spending.*

9:55 a.m. ET

Source: Institute for Social Research (ISR) of the University of Michigan

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