

All eyes are on the results of the mid-term elections to control Congress, and Wall Street closes with gains.

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The U.S. & European stock markets closed with gains, albeit for different reasons. In Wall Street, the focus is on the mid-term elections have most investors are looking past the election and more on the results.

The latest polls point out that the House will turn republican as the total 435 seats in the House go for reelection; currently, Democrats have 220 seats versus the Republicans 212. In total, some 90 highly competitive races, of which 28% are forecasted to become republican, would gain the Republican party some 25 additional seats that have benefited from redistricting and President Biden's low approval ratings.

Should that scenario occur, it would give the Republican approximately a 30 to 35-seat majority in the House.

In the Senate, only 35 seats are at play, of which at most 10 races are competitive. The Democrats may retain control if they win Pennsylvania or Georgia. However, there is the possibility that the Senate race in Nevada, currently held by Democrat Catherine Cortez-Masto, could be lost to challenger Adam Laxalt, a former Attorney General; the polls were neck and neck at 48% for the Democrats and 49% for the Republicans.

There can be two possible outcomes; the Democrats retain their 50-50 majority, or the Republican win a 51-49 majority. It all depends on the results from Georgia, Pennsylvania, and Nevada.

One last thing to remember since the previous two Presidential elections, the polls have been wildly inaccurate, so we should rely on something other than polling numbers.

In conclusion, a surprise Democratic win in both the House and Senate will impact markets as the expectation of higher corporate taxes is a Democrat issue.

Key Economic Data:

- Eurozone Retail Trade YoY: is at -0.60%, compared to -1.40% last month.
- Japan Business Conditions Composite Coincident Index: fell to 101.10, down from 101.80 last month, decreasing -0.69%.
- China Inflation Rate: rose to 2.80%, compared to 2.50% last month.
- China Producer Price Index YoY: fell to 0.90%, compared to 2.30% last month.

Puerto Rico COVID-19 Update November 8:

Daily Cases: 167

Positivity Rate: 13.57%

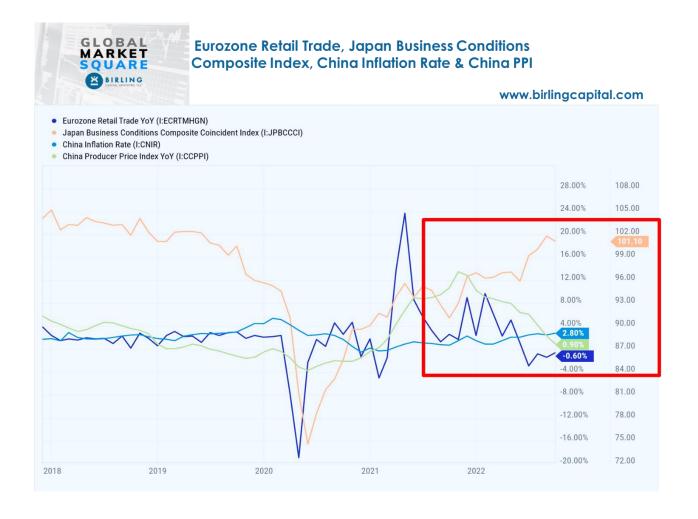
- Hospitalizations: 173
- Deaths: 1
- Source Puerto Rico Department of Health.

Eurozone Summary for November 8:

- Stoxx 600 closed at 421.46, up 3.12 points or 0.75%.
- FTSE 100 closed at 7,306.14, up 6.15 points or 0.084%.
- Dax Index closed at 13,688.75, up 155.23 points or 1.15%.

Wall Street Summary for November 8:

- Dow Jones Industrial Average closed at 33,160.83, up 333.83 points or 1.02%.
- S&P 500 closed at 3,828.11, up 21.31 points or 0.56%.
- Nasdaq Composite closed at 10,616.20, up 51.68 points or 0.49%.
- Birling Capital Puerto Rico Stock index closed at 2,697.54, up 41.34 points or 1.56%.
- The U.S. Treasury 10-year note closed at 4.14%.
- The U.S. Treasury 2-year note closed at 4.67%.





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