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Russia defaults on its sovereign debt, and Wall Street, full of pessimism, closes down.

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The U.S. & European stock markets began the week with asymmetrical results following last week's significant rally. While Europe closed with gains, in Wall Street the session closed with losses as the markets are about to close the worst first semester in 52 years.

Most investors are dealing with the uncertainty of a recession and continue debating if the market has reached its bottom or if the sell-off will continue.

However, this week, there is a silver lining: investors may lift the market higher by the end of the quarter as some rebalance their portfolios.

In Europe, the big news is that Russia is on route to defaulting on $100 million of its sovereign debt for the first time since 1998, following the passing of the interest payment deadline following the sanctions implemented for the invasion of Ukraine.

Key economic data:

- U.S. Durable Goods New Orders YoY: rose to 12.03%, compared to 9.94% last month.
- U.S. Durable Goods New Orders MoM: rose to 0.73%, compared to 0.42% last month.
- U.S. Pending Home Sales YoY: fell further to -9.15%, compared to -8.58% last month.
- Japan Business Conditions Composite Coincident Index: is at 96.80, unchanged from 96.80 last month.

Puerto Rico COVID-19 Update June 27:

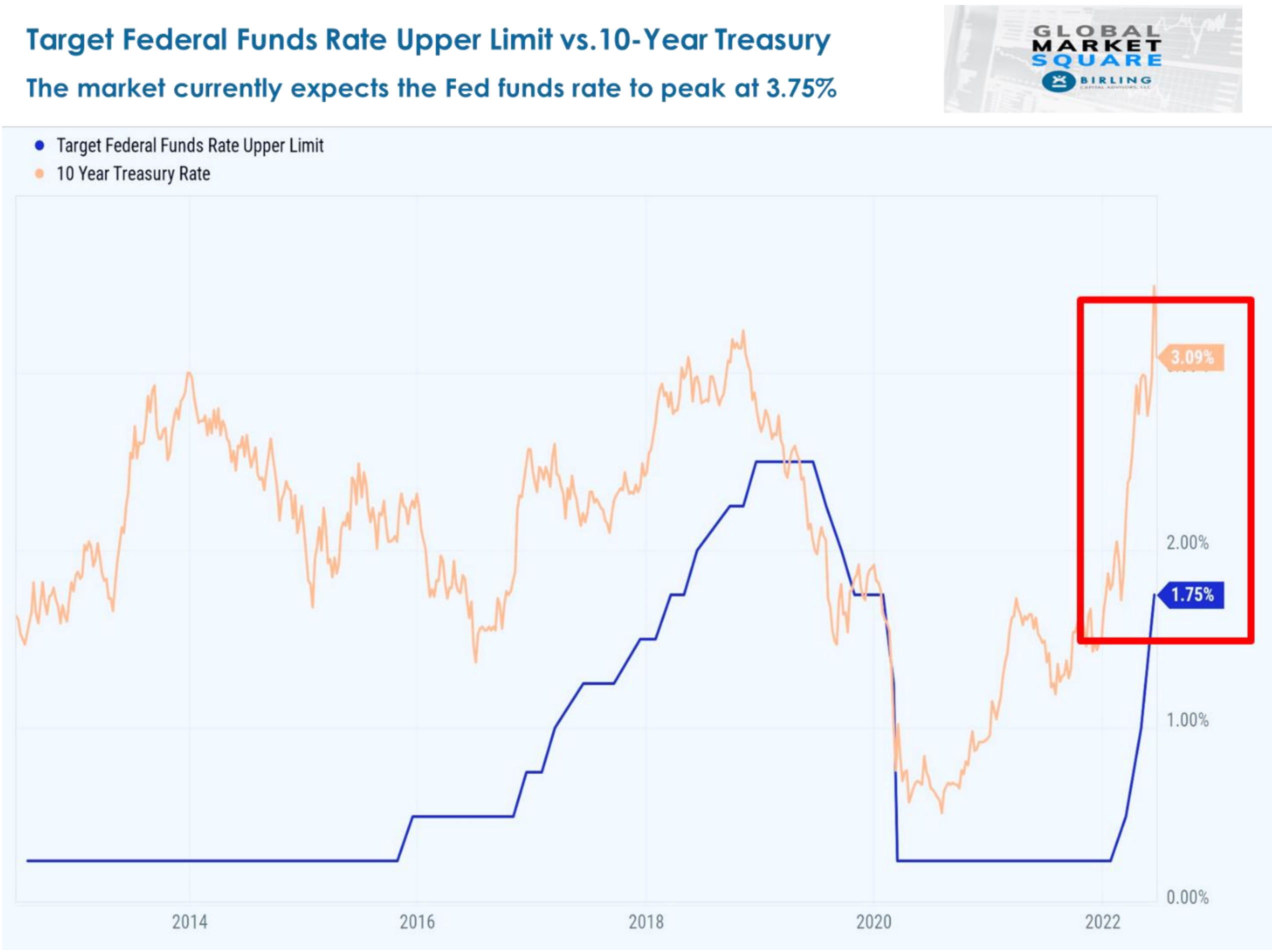
- Daily Cases: 705, up 0.28%.
- Positivity Rate: 31.82%, up 6.75%.
- Hospitalizations: 385, up 4.67%.
- Deaths: 3.
- Source Puerto Rico Department of Health.

Eurozone Summary for June 27:

- Stoxx 600 closed at 415.46, up 2.53 points or 0.61%.
- FTSE 100 closed at 7,258.32, up 49.51 points or 0.69%.
- Dax Index closed at 13,186.07, up 67.94 points or 0.52%.

Wall Street Summary for June 27:

- Dow Jones Industrial Average closed at 31,438.26, down 62.42 points or 0.20%.
- S&P 500 closed at 3,900.11, down 11.63 points or 0.30%.
- Nasdaq Composite closed at 11,524.55, down 83.07 points or 0.72%.
- Birling Capital Puerto Rico Stock index closed at 2,666.58, up 103.83 points or 4.05%.
- The U.S. Treasury 10-year note closed at 3.20%.
- The U.S. Treasury 2-year note closed at 3.08%.



US Durable Goods New Orders YoY, US Durable Goods New Orders MoM, US Pending Home Sales YoY

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