Weekly Market View

Investment Strategy ♦ November 23 2026

AI selloff deepens into correction as the fed holds its hawkish line

Macro headlines

Global markets endured a difficult week as doubts over the returns on AI spending turned into a broad selloff, and policy offered little relief. The week opened with Washington requiring US licences for advanced AI chips sold to data centre operators in Singapore, Malaysia, Thailand, Indonesia and Brazil, closing a route that let Chinese companies use American chips through remote computing; China's Commerce Ministry warned it would respond. Nvidia then beat expectations, guiding fourth quarter sales to about USD130bn and adding USD150bn to its buyback, with China excluded from guidance, and Anthropic made a record-breaking Nasdaq debut after raising USD107.3bn at a valuation of about USD1.5tn, yet neither could halt a slide that ran through every session, leaving the S&P 500 down for a seventh straight day by Friday. On monetary policy, minutes of the Fed's October meeting showed nearly all officials expect further rate increases will likely be needed, with markets fully pricing a December hike. St. Louis Fed President Musalem signalled support for multiple hikes and Fed Governor Cook warned that waiting longer risks falling behind the curve, while Treasury Secretary Bessent urged the Fed not to back a half point move. In Europe, Bundesbank President Nagel called for a December ECB increase into restrictive territory, while BOJ Governor Ueda reaffirmed his readiness to keep raising rates. US data were mixed. Underlying retail sales rose a stronger than expected 0.6% m/m and housing starts jumped 9.9%, but industrial production fell 0.4%, building permits dropped 7.4%, jobless claims rose to 203,000 and the Philadelphia Fed's manufacturing index slid to 6.3 from 20.9. UK inflation rose to 3.6% y/y and Japan's to 2.3%. In energy, oil eased after the IEA said global supply has topped demand, and the APEC summit in Shenzhen closed with a pledge by Presidents Trump, Xi and Putin to boost global energy supply but no agreement on chip restrictions. Elsewhere in corporate news, Oracle said it has secured all the funding needed for its OpenAI contract, Palo Alto Networks agreed to buy Applied Compute for USD4.5bn and Amazon is in advanced talks to buy AI startup Decart for USD7.5bn. Over the weekend, China, Taiwan and South Korea stepped up measures to steady their stock markets, a sign of how far the AI selloff has travelled beyond Wall Street.

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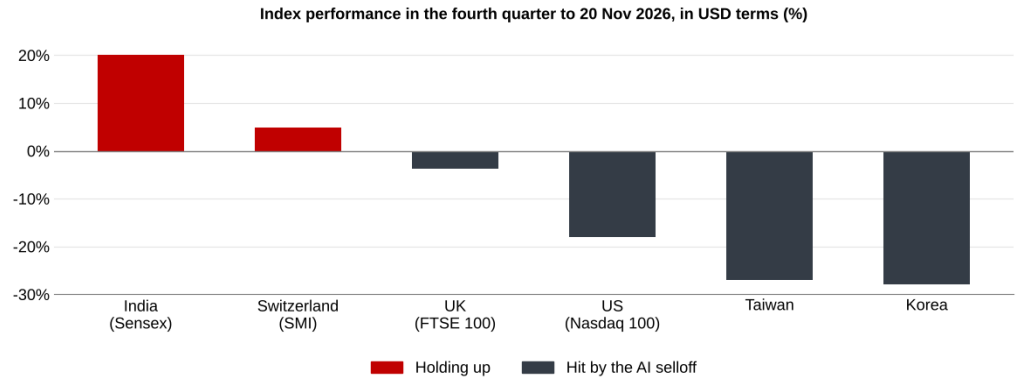
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Market performances

Wall Street posted its worst week since April 2025 as the AI selloff broadened from chipmakers to the wider market. The S&P 500 fell 8.61%, the Dow 8.02% and the Nasdaq 10.02%, leaving the S&P 500 and the Dow in correction territory. Friday was the heaviest session, with technology down 7.1% and Nvidia 14.0%, while consumer staples gained 0.7% as investors rotated towards defensive businesses. The VIX jumped 85.96% to 35.89. Europe fell for five straight sessions, with the STOXX 600 down 5.80%, the DAX 7.28% and the FTSE 100 5.10%, as technology and chip equipment makers led the losses. In Asia, the Nikkei lost 7.70% and the Hang Seng 5.19%, and MSCI's emerging markets index 8.40%, while India's Sensex bucked the trend, rising 2.85%; MSCI World fell 8.08%. GCC markets held up better, with the ADX (+0.96%), Qatar (+0.56%) and the DFM (+0.46%) higher, while Tadawul fell 2.90%, Oman 1.95%, Kuwait 1.14% and Bahrain 0.41%. Treasuries rallied as investors sought safety, with the US 10-year yield c19bps lower at 4.94%, Bund yields c7bps lower and gilt yields c10bps lower, lifting global government bonds 0.56%, while global high yield lost 1.18%. The Dollar Index firmed 0.38%, while the yen strengthened 0.71% against the dollar. Commodities came under broad pressure. Brent fell 3.41% to USD92.6/bbl, gold posted its biggest weekly decline in eight months, down 8.91% to USD3,538.5/oz, silver lost 15.56% and copper 10.14%. Digital assets extended their losses, with Bitcoin down 13.75% and Ether 16.02%. Markets closed the week with equities in correction, bonds back in demand as the haven and volatility sharply higher

Chart of the Week: India and Switzerland hold up as the AI selloff hits tech heavy markets



Source: Bloomberg, and ADCB Asset Management

Performance snapshot*				
Rates	Latest	1W (bp)	3M (bp)	YTD (bp)
SOFR	3.91	1.00	26.00	4.00
UAE Eibor 3m	4.32	-8.23	44.03	84.53
UAE Eibor 12m	4.71	-8.91	47.25	109.64
US 3m Bills	4.22	0.26	43.12	59.84
US 10yr Treasury	4.94	-19.14	20.99	77.68
German 10yr Bund	3.30	-7.30	4.60	44.90
UK 10yr Gilt	5.24	-9.70	17.80	75.90
Fixed Income		1W (%)	3M (%)	YTD (%)
Global Agg. Index	492	0.54	-1.82	-1.87
Global Treasuries	204	0.56	-1.64	-2.18
Global Corporate	296	0.45	-2.28	-2.53
EM USD Sovereign	449	-0.96	-3.19	-2.08
EM LCY Sovereign	168	-0.33	-0.32	3.60
Global High Yield	1,833	-1.18	-4.28	-1.60
Currencies				
Dollar Index	103.81	0.38	5.07	5.58
EUR USD	1.0968	-0.50	-6.09	-6.62
GBP USD	1.3084	-0.98	-4.10	-2.90
USD JPY	158.57	-0.71	-0.24	1.19
Equities				
S&P 500	6,910	-8.61	-9.95	0.95
Dow Jones	48,147	-8.02	-9.63	0.17
NASDAQ	22,618	-10.02	-13.61	-2.69
STOXX 600	626	-5.80	-4.36	5.65
DAX	24,803	-7.28	-5.10	1.28
Nikkei 225	56,437	-7.70	-14.51	12.11
FTSE 100	10,346	-5.10	-4.35	4.18
SENSEX	83,920	2.85	8.23	-1.53
Hang Seng	22,411	-5.19	-13.84	-12.56
MSCI World	4,460	-8.08	-10.26	0.67
MSCI EM	1,420	-8.40	-17.53	1.11
Regional Equities				
ADX	9,761	0.96	-2.44	-2.32
DFM	6,226	0.46	6.31	2.96
Tadawul*	9,960	-2.90	-7.58	-5.05
DSM*	9,903	0.56	2.52	-7.99
MSM30*	7,204	-1.95	-5.25	22.80
BHSE*	1,813	-0.41	-5.75	-12.25
KWSE*	8,461	-1.14	-5.07	-5.01
Commodities				
BBG Commodity Index	127.7	-4.36	-9.13	16.38
Brent USD/bbl	92.6	-3.41	-1.93	52.13
WTI USD/bbl	84.0	-5.17	-3.54	46.26
Gold USD/t oz	3,538.5	-8.91	-23.13	-18.08
Silver USD/t oz	41.2	-15.56	-40.34	-42.56
Platinum USD/t oz	1,302.6	-12.77	-30.70	-36.79
Aluminum	2,977.1	-6.41	-8.11	-0.06
Copper USD/MT	12,230.5	-10.14	-14.42	-2.19

Digital Assets				
Bitcoin	58,930.3	-13.75	-23.97	-32.76
Ether	1,618.3	-16.02	-33.69	-45.65
Solana	69.0	-12.20	-24.88	-44.49
XRP	0.9	-10.46	-34.00	-50.66
Volatility				
VIX	35.89	85.96	137.21	140.07
MOVE	106.31	7.61	44.84	66.21

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Forthcoming important economic data/events

United States

Date & Time (GST)	Indicator	Period	Expected	Prior
11/23/2026 17:30	Chicago Fed Nat Activity Index	Oct	0.20	0.07
11/23/2026 18:45	S&P Global US Manufacturing PMI	Nov P	54.5	54.9
11/23/2026 18:45	S&P Global US Services PMI	Nov P	55.5	56.1
11/24/2026 19:00	Conf. Board Consumer Confidence	Nov	92.1	91.7
11/25/2026 17:30	Personal Income	Oct	0.40%	0.20%
11/25/2026 17:30	Personal Spending	Oct	0.40%	0.50%
11/25/2026 17:30	PCE Price Index YoY	Oct	3.80%	3.60%
11/25/2026 17:30	PCE Price Index MoM	Oct	0.30%	0.50%
11/25/2026 17:30	Core PCE Price Index YoY	Oct	3.20%	3.10%
11/25/2026 17:30	Core PCE Price Index MoM	Oct	0.30%	0.30%
11/25/2026 17:30	GDP Annualized QoQ	3Q S	3.50%	3.40%
11/25/2026 17:30	Durable Goods Orders	Oct P	0.60%	1.90%
11/25/2026 17:30	Durables Ex Transportation	Oct P	0.50%	0.50%
11/25/2026 19:00	New Home Sales	Oct	653k	676k
11/27/2026 17:30	Advance Goods Trade Balance	Oct	-$131.7b	-$134.9b

Japan

Date & Time (GST)	Indicator	Period	Expected	Prior
11/25/2026 3:50	PPI Services YoY	Oct	3.60%	3.70%
11/27/2026 3:30	Tokyo CPI YoY	Nov	3.10%	2.80%
11/27/2026 3:30	Tokyo CPI Ex-Fresh Food, Energy YoY	Nov	2.70%	2.60%

Eurozone

Date & Time (GST)	Indicator	Period	Expected	Prior
11/23/2026 12:15	France S&P Global Manufacturing PMI	Nov P	49.8	49.5
11/23/2026 12:15	France S&P Global Services PMI	Nov P	47.45	46.2
11/23/2026 12:30	Germany S&P Global/BME Manufacturing PMI	Nov P	54.2	54.2
11/23/2026 12:30	Germany S&P Global Services PMI	Nov P	52.3	52.5
11/24/2026 13:00	Germany IFO Business Climate	Nov	90.5	90.2
11/24/2026 13:00	Germany IFO Current Assessment	Nov	89.05	88.8
11/24/2026 13:00	Germany IFO Expectations	Nov	92.0	91.6
11/25/2026 11:00	Germany GDP SA QoQ	3Q F	0.20%	0.20%
11/25/2026 11:45	France Consumer Confidence	Nov	81	80
11/26/2026 11:00	Germany GfK Consumer Confidence	Dec	-29.95	-30.8

United Kingdom

Date & Time (GST)	Indicator	Period	Expected	Prior
11/23/2026 13:30	S&P Global UK Services PMI	Nov P	53.0	52.8
11/23/2026 13:30	S&P Global UK Manufacturing PMI	Nov P	53.0	52.8

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