

U.S. Credit Update – July 8, 2025

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Fixed Income Sector Unhedged Total Returns

Large reversal in front end rates.

A stronger than expected June nonfarm payrolls report hammered short maturities last week. 3-year and shorter notes rose 13 bps in yield. The expectations for a rate hike at the September 17th FOMC meeting fell to 66.5% from 91%.



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Corporate Sector Unhedged Total Returns

Credit index approaches YTD tights.

The Bank of America tightened 8 bps last week, closing within 1 bp of its YTD tight. Front end maturities, which had been struggling with the fall in rates, saw good demand as nominal Treasury yields rose 10-13 bps last week.

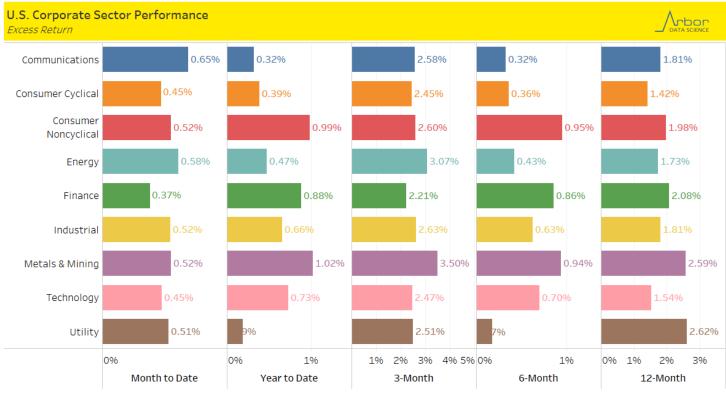


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Corporate Sector Excess Returns

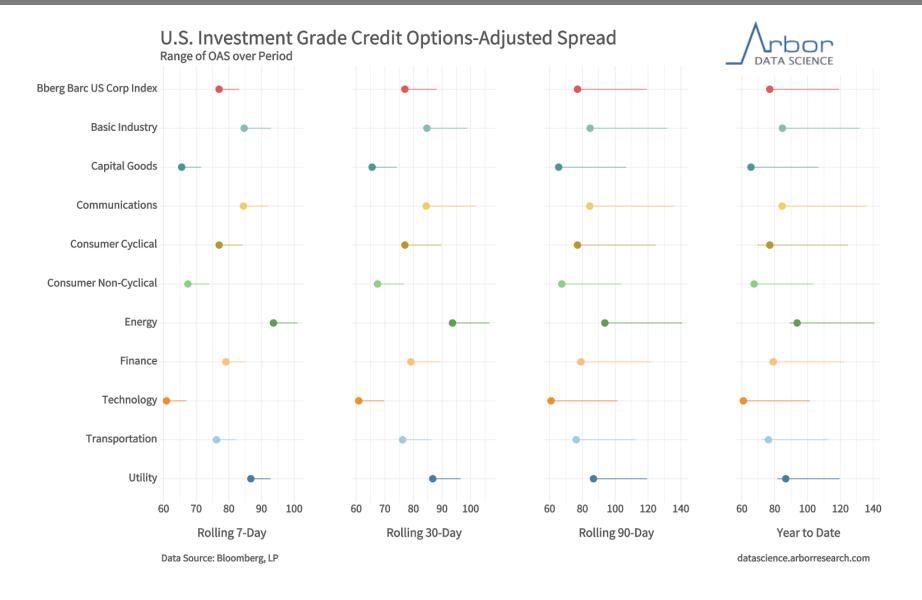
IG credit demand very strong into month end. Secondary spreads tightened 7-9 bps across the board last week. Autos (-16) and energy (-10) were the outperformers.

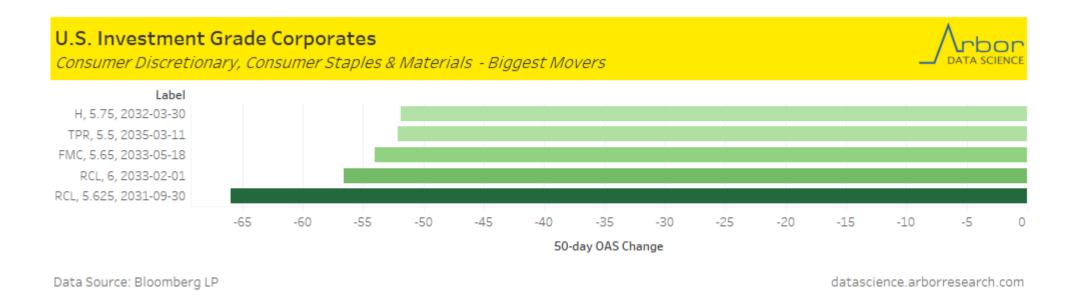


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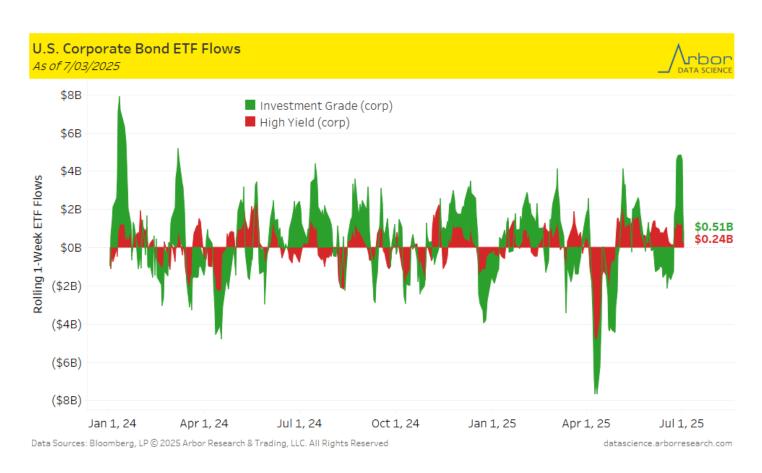


Dealers reported very strong flows into IG credit last week. Electronic inquiry was skewed towards better buying by a 2:1 ratio. A reported \$4 billion portfolio trade Tuesday afternoon left dealers, who were already short after month end rebalancing, scrambling for the rest of the week to add paper. By week's end, portfolio trading showed net better client buying by a 7:2 margin, one of the strongest week's on record.

Corporate Bond ETF Flows

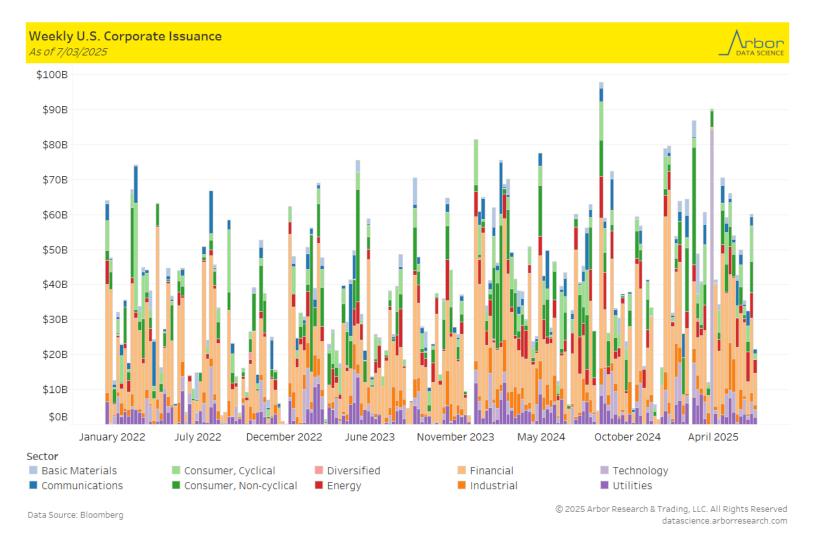
Corporate bond ETFs were positive last week, with investment-grade ETFs gaining \$0.51 billion and high-yield ETFs gaining \$0.24 billion.

The chart shows stacked rolling one-week flows into corporate bond ETFs.



Issuance Recap

Primary issuance came in near expectations at \$9.75 billion last week. This week's call is for \$15-20 billion to price. July issuance is expected to be in the \$115-125 billion area, almost the same as was priced in July 2024.



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