

JOLTS 7.6 VS 8M FELL OFF A CLIFF

Key Data Points

- China retaliation tariffs
- Trump said he wasn't in a rush so market chilled out
- Another day of headlines but the reaction is much more diluted. Trump is going at the end of the day purposefully. We haven't moved at all in months (3 months)
- China/EU is still a fleeting trade issue
- China was restrained to avoid escalation is the general theme of today. They retaliated today but only on 10% of imports
- Farm products = significant escalation (when China starts to tariff our farm products that is considered huge pressure)
- Ukraine talks might come around the end of this week/next week
- That could be a new side of the 100 days otherwise Israel today was mixed reviews
- Crypto headlines will NOT hit until the hearings imo
- Jobs data was bad today which was good for bonds, I still think we get a hot jobs report due to ISM but if I'm wrong it's bullish. Really bad jobs report would scare people but the tariff tweak would benefit from lower rate expectations

PLAYS

- XLV – do or die for them; could chop around but you are getting RFR passed through & we will see the real effect
- SNAP – if premium dies tomorrow I'm down to flip options but don't force it for smaller option prices
- First earnings they didn't warn about something ridiculous
- OIL – back to lows of the year but this is still going to be central to a lot of headlines

