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Cycle Turn Indicator Direction and Swing Summary of Select Markets as of the close on April 25, 2024

Market	Daily CTI	Daily Swing	Weekly CTI	Weekly Swing
Industrial	Negative	High	Negative	Low
Transports	Neutral	High	Negative	High
NDX	Negative	High	Negative	High
S&P Inverse Fund	Positive	N/A	Positive	Low
CRB Index	Negative	Low	Negative	Low
Gold	Negative	Low	Negative	High
XAU	Positive	Low	Negative	High
Dollar	Negative	High	Positive	High
Bonds	Negative	High	Negative	High
Crude Oil	Negative	Low	Negative	High
Unleaded	Positive	Low	Negative	High
Natural Gas	Negative	High	Negative	High

*Since this fund is quoted at the end of the day it is impossible for the concept of swing highs and lows to apply on a daily level. The primary interests here are the weekly developments.

The daily is representative of the short-term and the weekly is representative of the intermediate-term

Short-term Updates

Note on the Cycle Turn Indicator

The most important indicator we have is the Cycle Turn Indicator and the most important timeframe, at least in my mind, is the intermediate-term. This indicator has proven itself time and time again. In reality, this is all we really need to know. Everything else is secondary. That being said, please be sure to monitor the "Cycle Turn Indicator Direction and Swing Summary" above. Red indicates that a swing high and down turn of the Cycle Turn Indicator has occurred and lower prices should follow. The only exception here is that on the daily stock market signals we also want to see both the slow cycle Turn Indicator and the New High/New Low Differential in agreement with the original Cycle Turn Indicator, which is what is covered in this summary above. Yellow, is cautionary meaning that the Cycle Turn Indicator and the swing are not in agreement, which is typically indicative of a trend change. Green, means that a swing low has occurred and that the Cycle Turn Indicator is positive, which should be followed by higher prices. Again, the only exception here is the daily stock market signals in that we want to see both the slow Cycle Turn Indicator and the New High/New Low Differential in agreement with the original Cycle Turn Indicator, which is what is covered in this summary above. For everything else, all that matters is the formation of a swing and the direction of the Cycle Turn Indicator.

See Notes for New Subscribers at the bottom of the Short-Term Update Page or the Research Letter page for information on understanding Cycles and Swings.

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Stocks

End of Week Intermediate-Term Indicator Summary Intermediate-Term Sell	
Primary Indicators	
Formation of a Weekly Swing High	Bearish
Cycle Turn Indicator (CTI)	Bearish
CTI on Rydex Tempest Fund *	Bullish
Confirming Indicators	
Trend Indicator (TI)	Bearish
Advance/Decline Issues Diff	Bearish
New High New Low Diff	Bearish
Secondary Indicators	
5 3 3 Stochastic	Bearish
Cycle Momentum Indicator	Bearish
<i>*When this indicator is Bullish it is negative for the market and visa versa.</i>	

Daily Indicator Summary Short-Term Neutral	
Primary Indicators	
Formation of a Daily Swing High	Bearish
Cycle Turn Indicator (CTI)	Bearish
Slow Cycle Turn Indicator (CTI)	Bearish
New High/New Low Differential	Bullish
Confirming Indicators	
Trend Indicator (TI)	Bearish
McClellan Intermediate Term Breadth Momentum Oscillator (ITBM)	Bullish
McClellan Intermediate Term Volume Momentum Oscillator (ITVM)	Bullish
McClellan Summation Index	Bearish
McClellan Volume Summation Index	Bearish
Secondary Short Term Indicators	
5 3 3 Stochastic	Bearish
Cycle Momentum Indicator	Bullish
Trading Cycle Oscillator	Bullish
Momentum Indicator	Bullish
Ratio Adjusted McClellan Oscillator Crossover	Bullish
Accumulation/Distribution Index	Bearish

The timing band for the trading cycle low runs between April 15th and May 2nd. With the April 18th completion of a daily swing low and the upturn of ALL Three of the Primary Short-Term Indicators, a short-term buy signal was triggered and every indication is that the trading cycle low was seen on April 17th. On Thursday the Industrials completed the formation of a daily swing high, but with one of the Primary Short-Term Indicators remaining positive, a short-term sell signal was not triggered. However, as a result of Thursday's completion of a daily swing high, one of two things is going on. Either we are seeing a retest/ending push into the trading cycle low, or the trading cycle low was in fact seen on April 17th and we have a failed and left-translated trading cycle in the making. In the latter case, it will mean that the intermediate-term cycle low was seen in January in accordance with the alternative phasing of the intermediate-term cycle and that we are seeing another trading cycle down into the intermediate-term cycle low in accordance with this alternative phasing. I have been covering the potential of this alternative phasing for at least a month or so, but until we see hard structural evidence to confirm this phasing I have to continue to assume that the

original phasing is correct, in which case the April 17th trading cycle low should have marked the higher degree intermediate-term cycle low. With all of this said, the formation of a weekly swing low thus far this week, tends to point toward the trading cycle low having been seen, meaning that a violation of the April 17th low will tend to point toward a failed and left-translated trading cycle. Whichever the case, any further weakness that turns the remaining Primary Short-Term Indicator down will trigger a short-term sell signal and I will be able to further evaluate the cyclical phasing as we move through the remainder of the timing band for this low, which runs through May 2nd.

The price/oscillator picture with Crude Oil continues to be suggestive of the trading cycle low, which should be in place once a short-term buy signal is triggered. With the close last week an intermediate-term sell signal was triggered and ideally the intermediate-term cycle top should be in place, but it will be the advance out of this trading cycle low that will serve as the structural test. Gasoline triggered a short-term buy signal on Thursday and here too, as a result of last week's completion of a daily swing high and

triggering of an intermediate-term sell signal, the intermediate-term cycle top should be in place. However, here too, it will be the advance in association with this short-term buy signal that will serve as the structural test. Natural Gas triggered a short-term sell signal on Wednesday and with the completion of a weekly swing high, Natural Gas is at risk of the advance out of the February intermediate-term cycle low having run its course.

The CRB Index triggered a short-term sell signal on Tuesday and thus far, that sell signal remains intact. If the decline in association with this short-term signal completes the formation of a weekly swing high, it should ideally prove to mark the higher degree intermediate-term cycle top as well. The short-term sell signal on Gold remains intact, but with the completion of a daily swing low it looks as if the trading cycle low may have been seen on Tuesday. With a weekly swing high in place, Gold remains at risk of the higher degree intermediate-term cycle top and it will be the advance out of the now due trading cycle low that will serve as the structural test of that higher degree top.

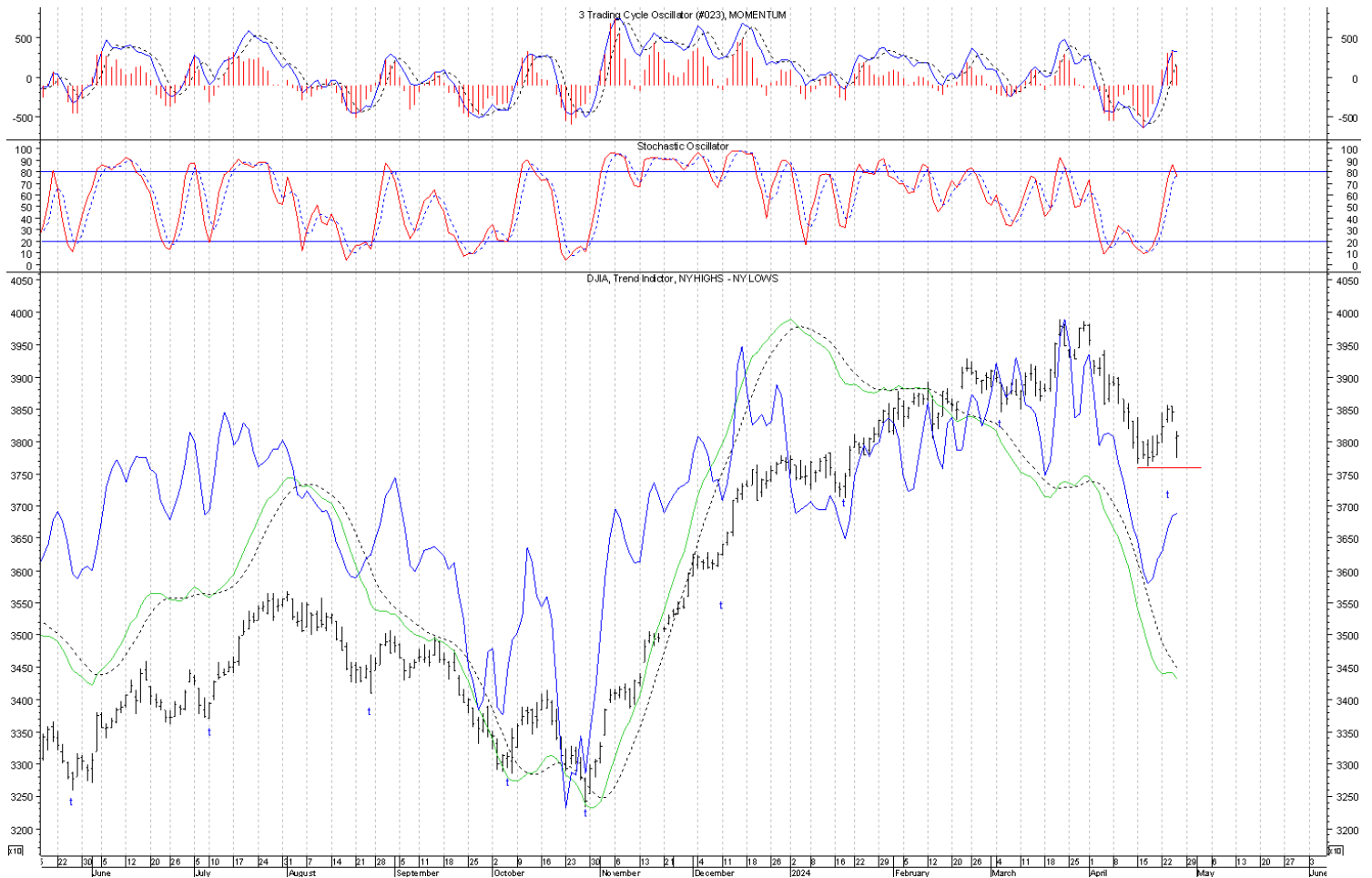
The XAU triggered a short-term buy signal on Thursday and every indication is that the trading cycle low has been seen. As with Gold, it will be the advance out of this trading cycle low that will serve as the structural test of the higher degree intermediate-term cycle top. The short-term sell signal on the Dollar remains intact and every indication continues to be that we have a left-translated trading cycle top in association with what should ideally be the higher degree intermediate-term cycle top.

On Thursday Bonds triggered a short-term sell signal and with the violation of the April 16th daily swing low, we either have a failed and left-translated trading cycle at play, or with price still within the timing band for this low, we are seeing another push down into the trading cycle low. Given the evidence of the trading cycle low having been seen on April 16th, I want to assume the former until Bonds can prove the latter.

The Intermediate-Term Advancing Issues Line, plotted in red, has turned back down and I tend to think that a violation of the previous low would point toward a failed and left-translated trading cycle in association with the alternative phasing. Once a weekly swing low is accompanied by another upturn of the Green MA above the Black MA, we should have the intermediate-term cycle low in place.

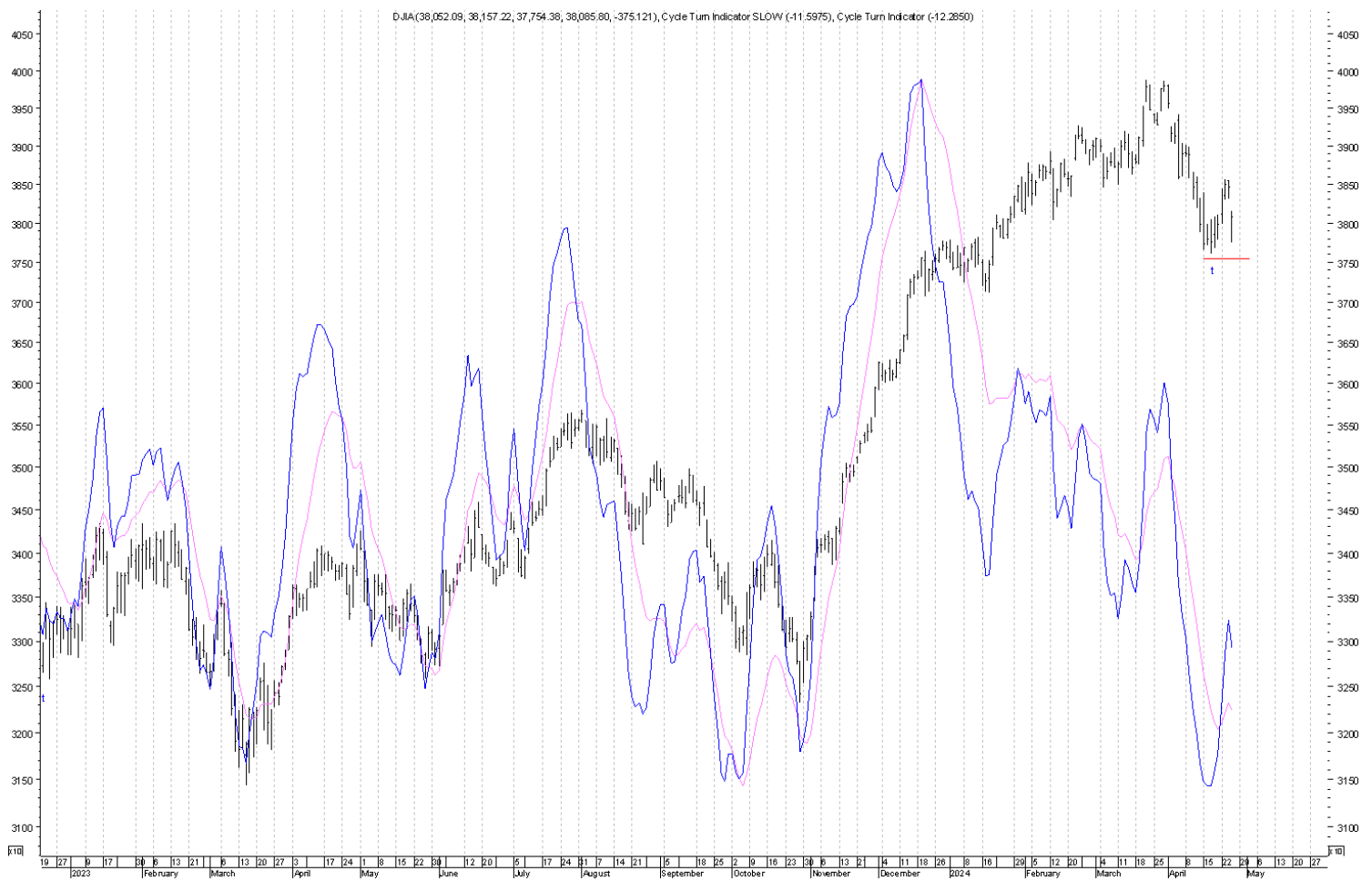


The **Trading Cycle Oscillator** in the upper window remains positive. The **Momentum Indicator** has ticked down, but has not crossed back below its zero line. The **5 3 3 Stochastic** in the middle window has turned down below its trigger line from overbought levels, which does make conditions ripe for a top. The **New High/New Low Differential**, plotted with price, continues its upturn. The **Trend Indicator** remains negative.

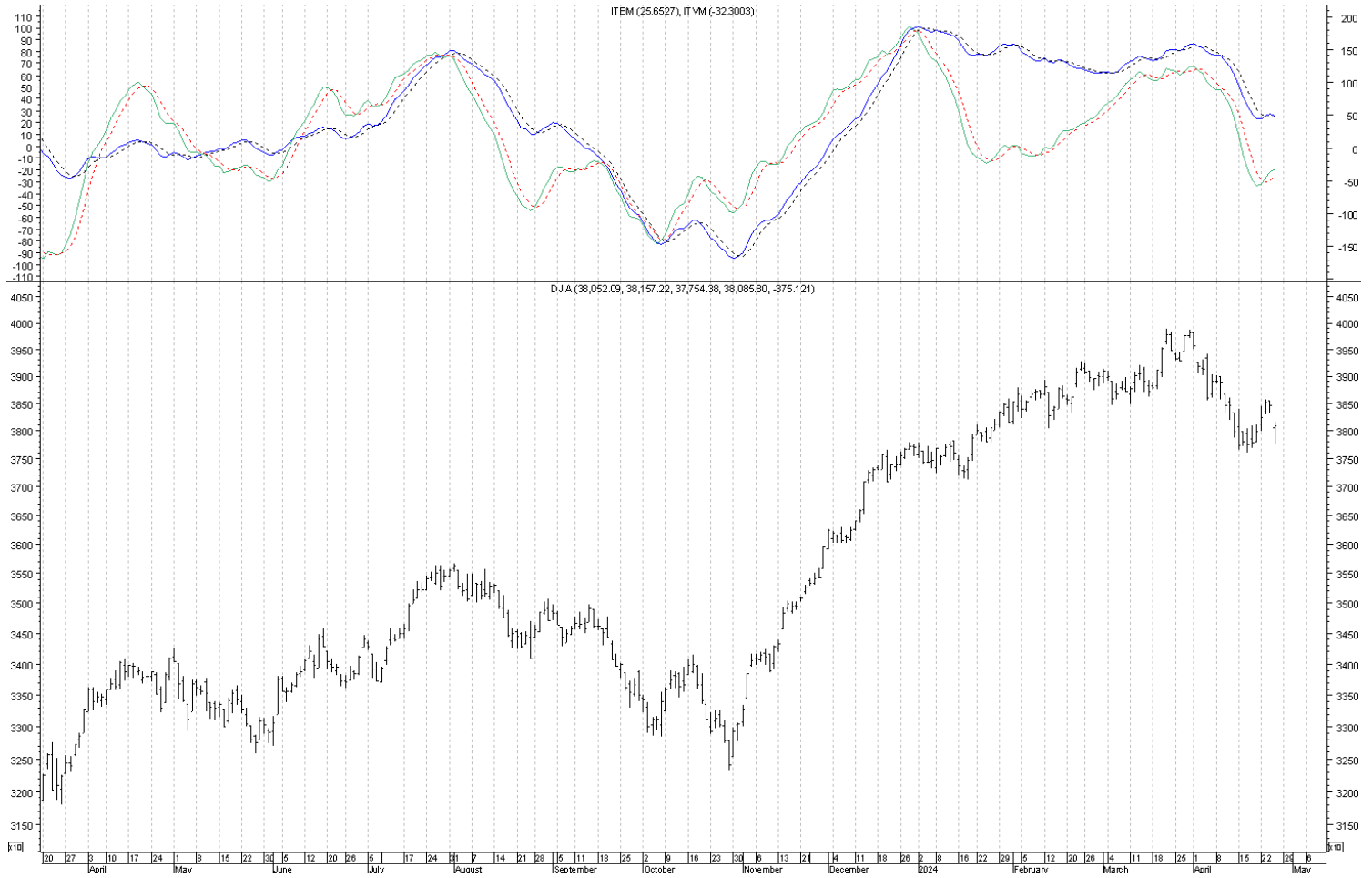


The Three Primary Short-Term Indicators are the **Original** and the **Slow** Cycle Turn Indicators, both plotted below, and the **NYSE New High/New Low Differential**, plotted with price above.

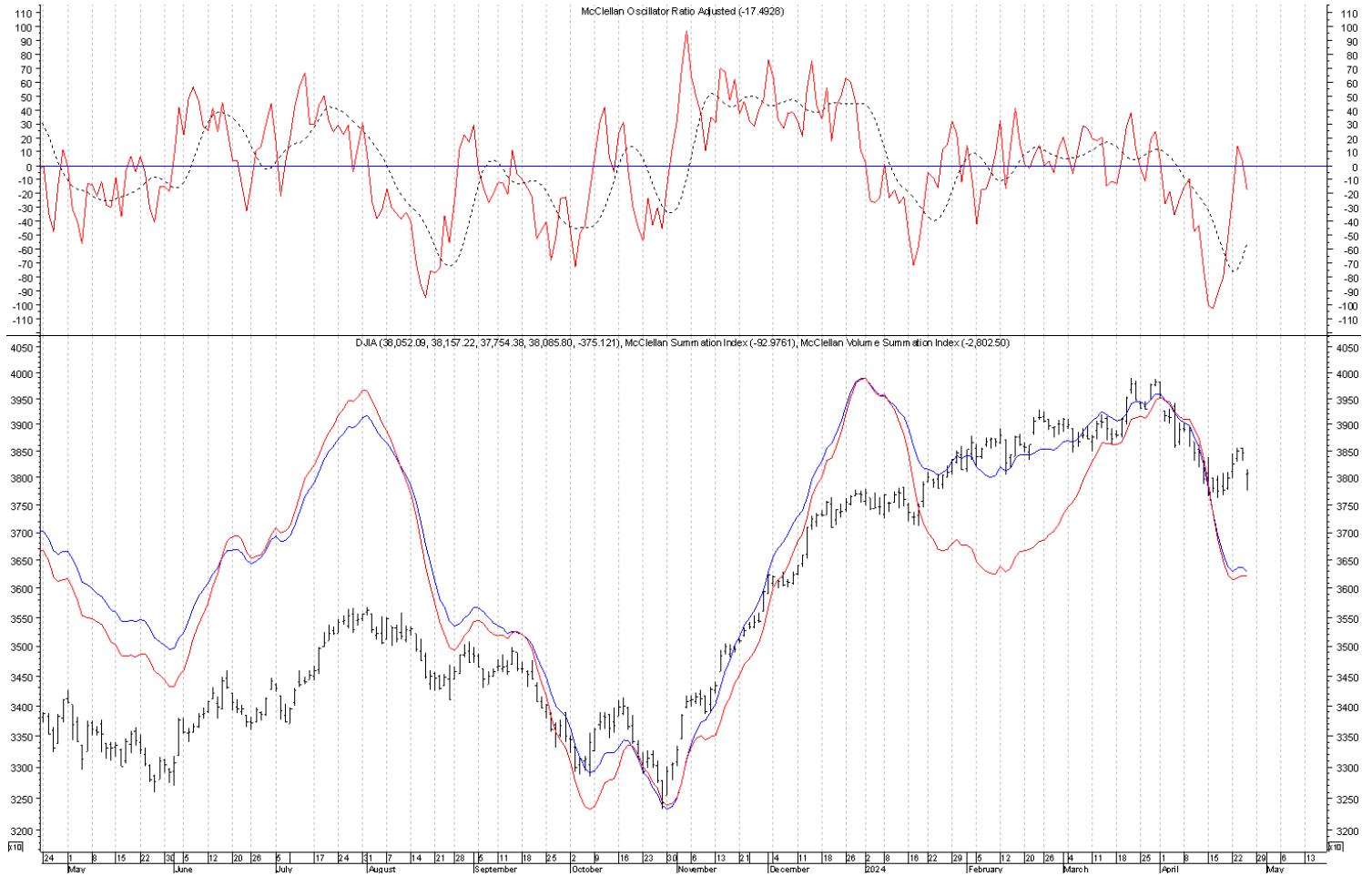
The Industrials completed the formation of a daily swing low on April 18th and in doing so we knew that the price/oscillator picture had begun telegraphing the trading cycle low. With the last of the Three Primary Short-Term Indicators turning up on Monday, a short-term buy signal was triggered in association with what we have to continue to assume to have been the April 17th trading cycle low. The price action on Thursday completed the formation of another daily swing high and any further weakness that puts ALL Three of the Primary Short-Term Indicators into gear to the downside will trigger a short-term sell signal. More on the cyclical phasing as we move through the remainder of the timing band for this trading cycle low.



The **Intermediate Term Breadth Momentum Oscillator** has ticked back down but has not yet crossed below its zero line. The **Intermediate Term Volume Momentum Oscillator** remains clearly positive.



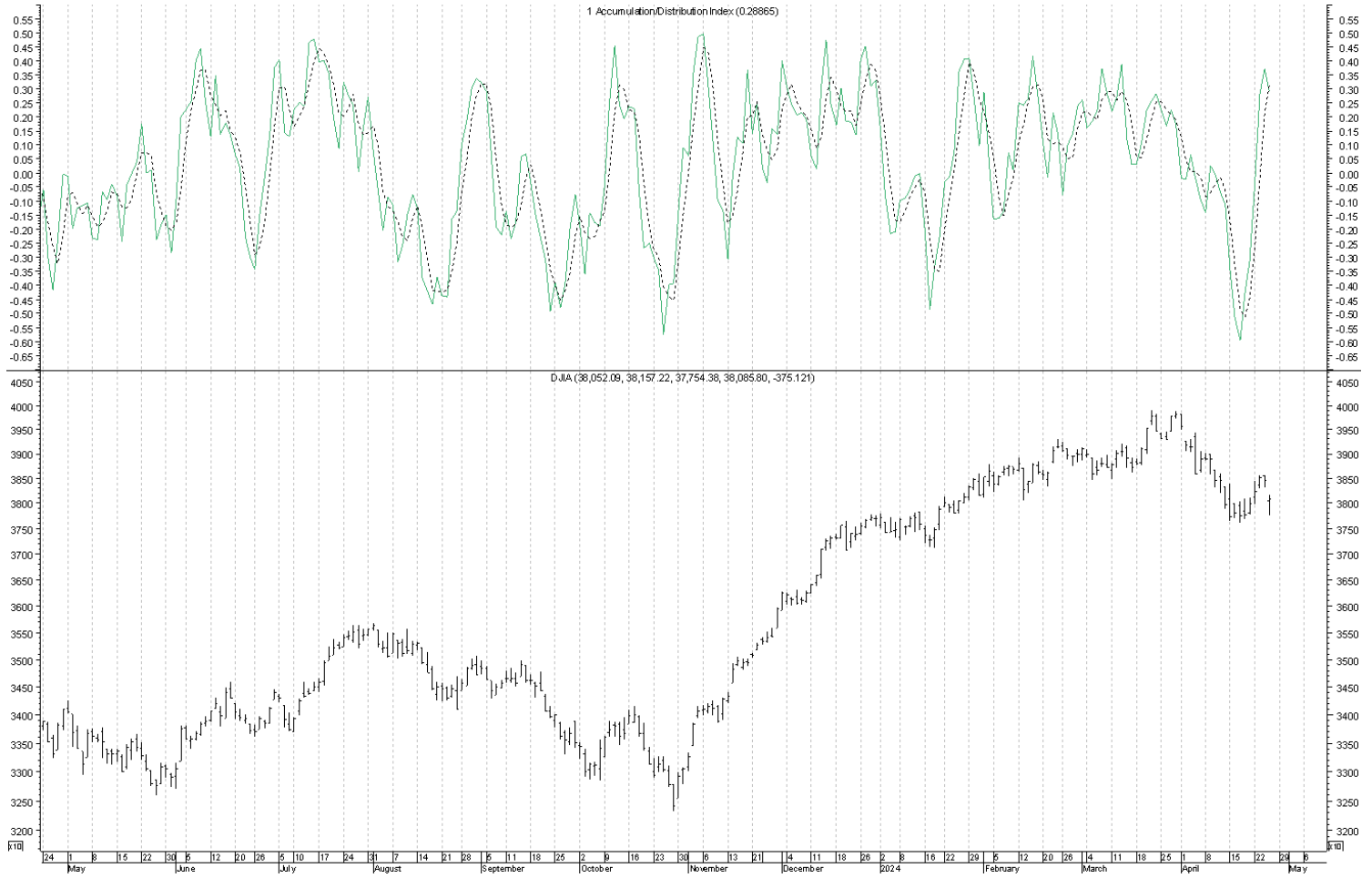
Both the **McClellan Summation Index** and the **McClellan Volume Summation Index** have turned marginally lower. The upturn of the **Ratio Adjusted McClellan Oscillator** in the upper window above both its trigger and zero lines in conjunction with the short-term buy signal continues to be indicative of the trading cycle low having been seen. Any further weakness that triggers a short-term sell signal in conjunction with a decline of this indicator back below the trigger line will therefore tend to be suggestive of a failed and left-translated trading cycle top.



The smoothed McClellan oscillator remains above its trigger line, which here too, should serve as confirmation of the trading cycle low. As a result, any further weakness that turns this indicator back below its trigger line will tend to be suggestive of a failed and left-translated trading cycle in accordance with the alternative phasing for the intermediate-term cycle.



The **Accumulation/Distribution Index** turned up last week, which we knew had begun to telegraph the trading cycle low and every indication is that it did. As a result, this downturn now puts the Industrials at risk of a left-translated trading cycle top.

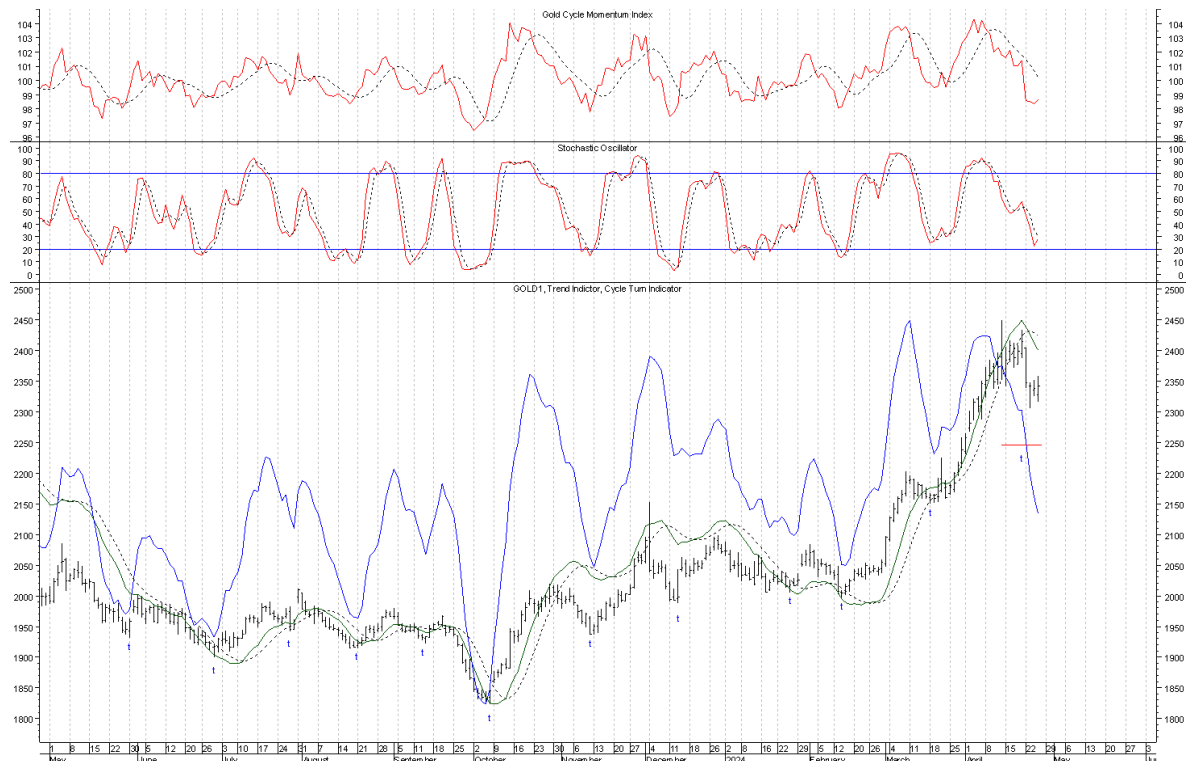


Gold

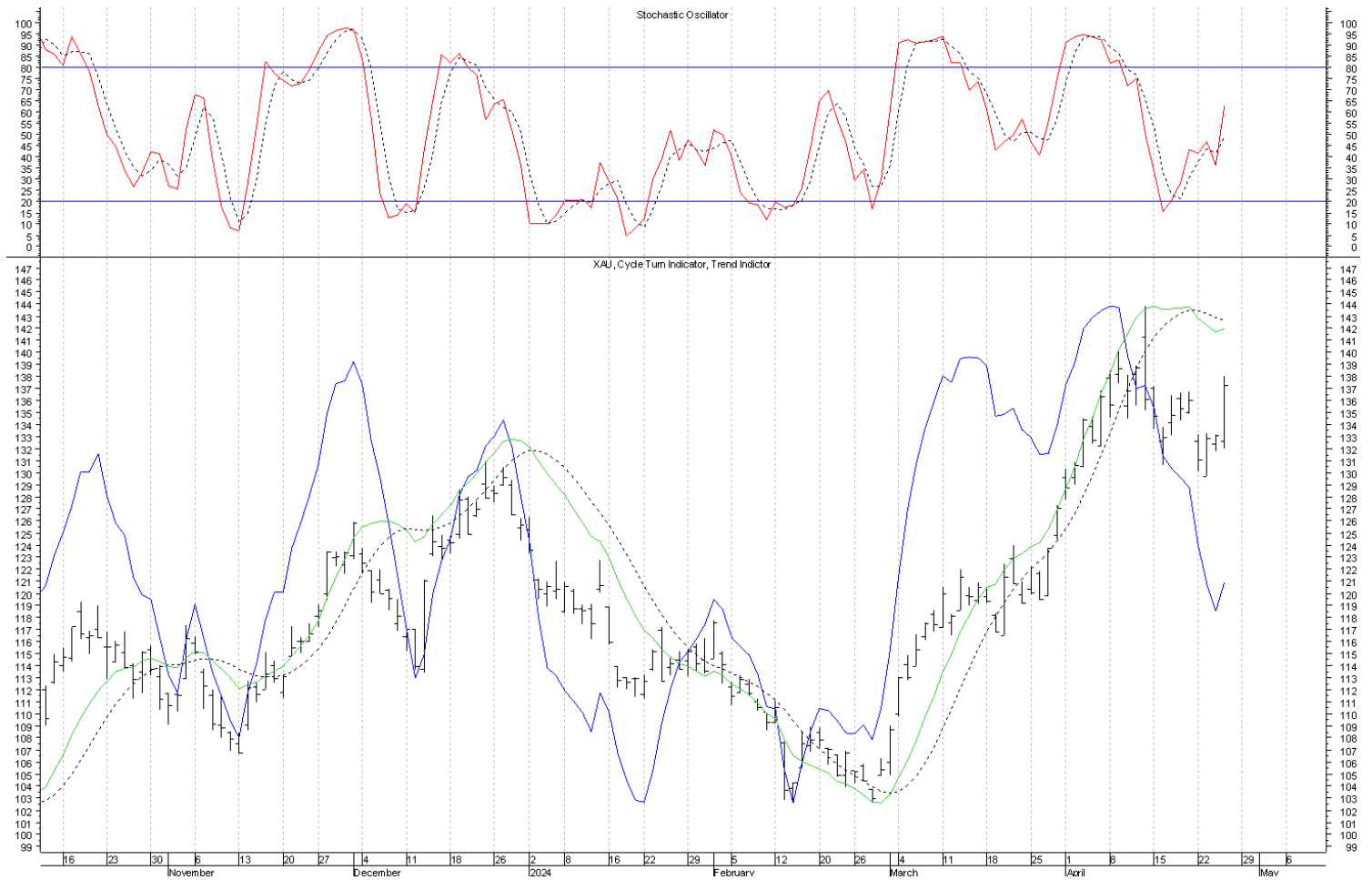
End of Week Intermediate-Term Indicator Summary Intermediate-Term Buy	
Primary Indicators	
Formation of a Weekly Swing Low	Bullish
Cycle Turn Indicator (CTI)	Bullish
Confirming Indicators	
Trend Indicator (TI)	Bullish
Cycle Momentum Indicator	Bullish
Secondary Indicators	
5 3 3 Stochastic	Bearish

Daily Indicator Summary Short-Term Sell	
Primary Indicators	
Formation of a Daily Swing Low	Bullish
Cycle Turn Indicator (CTI)	Bearish
Confirming Indicators	
Trend Indicator (TI)	Bearish
Cycle Momentum Indicator	Bearish
Secondary Short Term Indicators	
5 3 3 Stochastic	Bearish

The timing band for the current trading cycle low runs between April 12th and April 26th. The oscillator picture has been ripe for the trading cycle top and with the completion of a daily swing high on April 15th, a short-term sell signal was triggered. Because of the reversal off the low on April 15th that sell signal needed to be confirmed with a close below the April 15th low, which we finally saw on Monday. Given the reversal off the low on Tuesday, we knew it was possible the trading cycle low had been seen, but per the Tuesday night update we also knew that the oscillator picture did not look complete and therefore I ideally wanted to see another few days of weakness into this low. Now with the completion of a daily swing low on Wednesday and the price action that followed on Thursday, it is looking as if this low was seen in conjunction with Wednesday's completion of a daily swing low. Any further advance that turns the daily CTI up will trigger a short-term buy signal in association with the trading cycle low. At a higher level, the weekly swing high that has been completed in conjunction with this decline leaves Gold at risk of the intermediate-term cycle top. Another daily swing high will be completed on Friday if 2,357.60 is not bettered and if 2,316.40 is violated.



Our daily chart of the XAU is next and here too, we have seen the decline out of the trading and what should ideally also be the higher degree intermediate-term cycle top. As was discussed in the Tuesday night update, the price/oscillator picture had ripened for a bounce out of the trading cycle low. Wednesday was an inside day so there were no changes, but per the parameters given in the Tuesday night update, a daily swing low was completed on Thursday and with the upturn of the daily CTI, a short-term buy signal in association with the trading cycle low was seen. As with Gold, it is the advance out of this trading cycle low that now serves as the structural test of the higher degree intermediate-term cycle top. A daily swing high will be completed on Friday if 138.00 is not bettered and if 132.01 is violated.



Dollar

End of Week Intermediate-Term Indicator Summary **Intermediate-Term Buy**

Primary Indicators

Formation of a Weekly Swing Low	Bullish
Cycle Turn Indicator (CTI)	Bullish

Confirming Indicators

Trend Indicator (TI)	Bullish
Cycle Momentum Indicator	Bullish

Secondary Indicators

5 3 3 Stochastic	Bullish
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Daily Indicator Summary **Short-Term Sell**

Primary Indicators

Formation of a Daily Swing High	Bearish
Cycle Turn Indicator (CTI)	Bearish

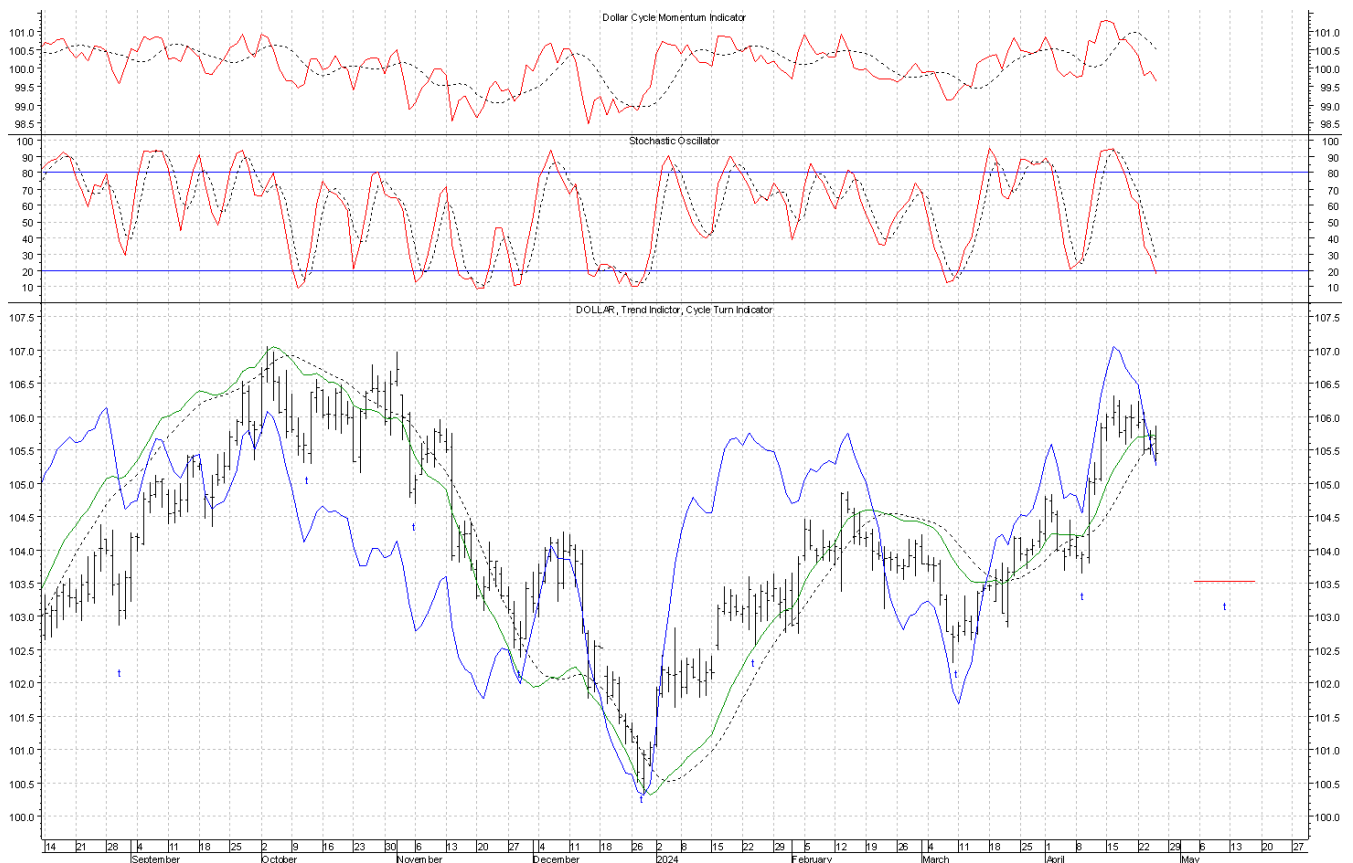
Confirming Indicators

Trend Indicator (TI)	Bullish
Cycle Momentum Indicator	Bearish

Secondary Indicators

5 3 3 Stochastic	Bearish
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No change with the Dollar. The last trading cycle low was seen on April 9th and every indication continues to be that the trading cycle top was seen on April 16th. As a result, this continues to be suggestive of a left-translated trading cycle top, thereby leaving the Dollar positioned for further weakness in association with what should be the decline out of the intermediate-term cycle top. The timing band for the next trading cycle low runs between May 5th and May 17th. This decline has carried the Dollar to oversold levels, per the 5 3 3 Stochastic, but the short-term sell signal will remain intact until another daily swing low and upturn of the daily CTI are seen. A daily swing low will be completed on Friday if 105.33 holds and if 105.87 is bettered.



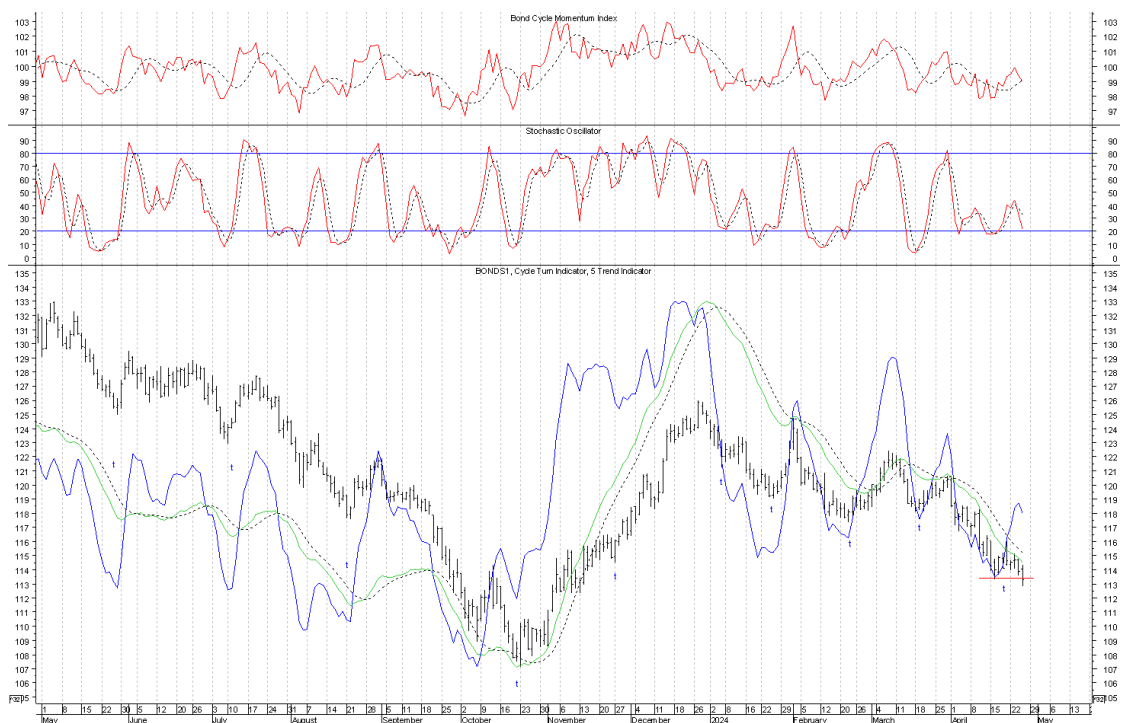
Bonds

End of Week Intermediate-Term Indicator Summary Intermediate-Term Sell	
Primary Indicators	
Formation of a Weekly Swing High	Bearish
Cycle Turn Indicator (CTI)	Bearish
Confirming Indicators	
Trend Indicator (TI)	Bearish
Cycle Momentum Indicator	Bearish
Secondary Indicators	
5 3 3 Stochastic	Bearish

Daily Indicator Summary Short-Term Sell	
Primary Indicators	
Formation of a Daily Swing High	Bearish
Cycle Turn Indicator (CTI)	Bearish
Confirming Indicators	
Trend Indicator (TI)	Bearish
Cycle Momentum Indicator	Bearish
Secondary Short Term Indicators	
5 3 3 Stochastic	Bearish

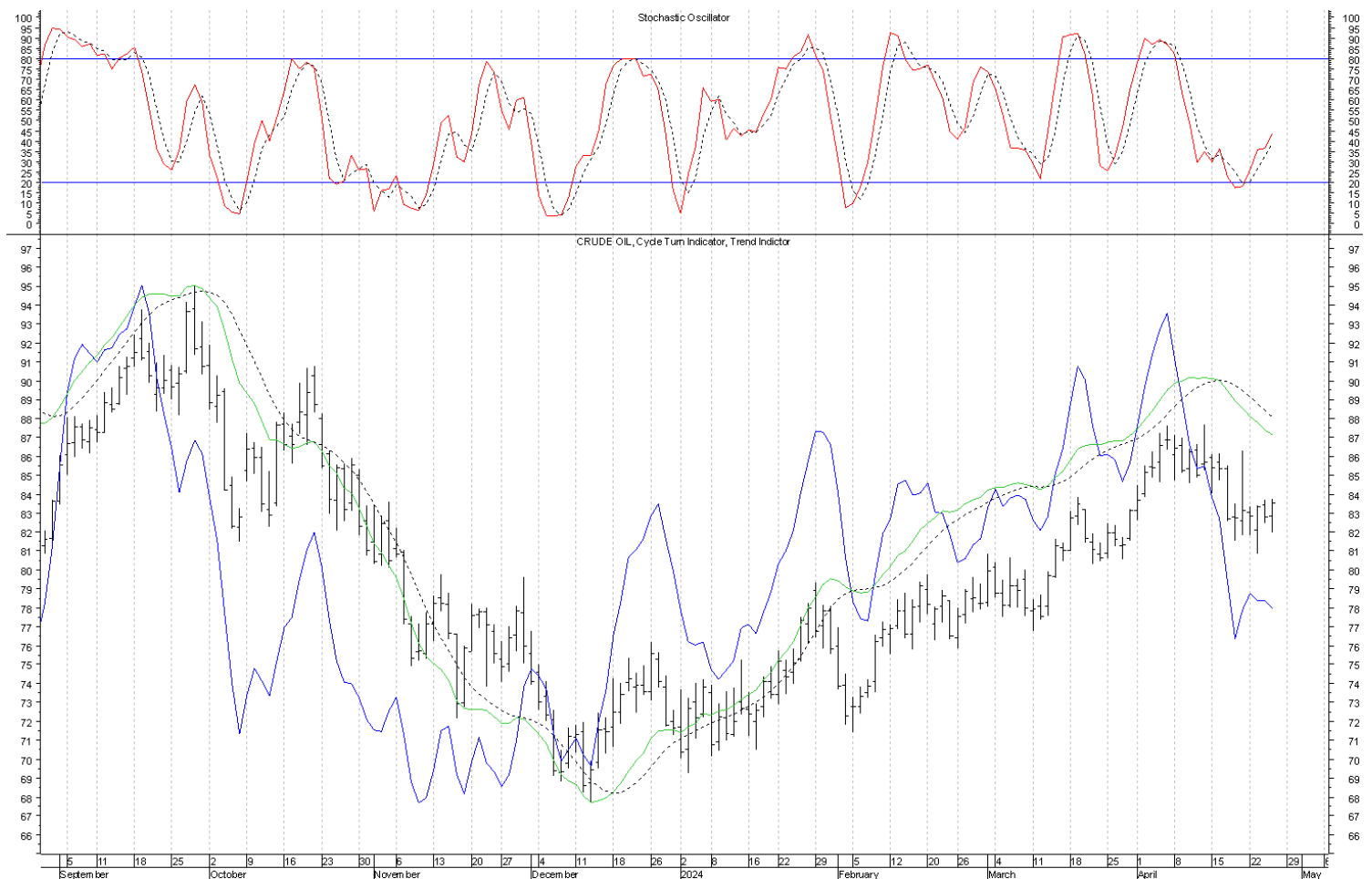
The timing band for the trading cycle low runs between April 10th and April 30th. Every indication has been that this low was seen in conjunction with the April 16th daily swing low. On Monday Bonds completed the formation of a daily swing high, but with the daily CTI remaining positive, the short-term buy signal held and on Tuesday Bonds completed the formation of another daily swing low. As a result, every indication was that we had seen a retest of the April 16th trading cycle low. On Thursday a short-term sell signal was triggered and now with the violation of the April 16th daily swing low, we either have a failed and left-translated trading cycle at play, or with price still within the timing band for this low, we are seeing another push down into the trading cycle low. Given the evidence of the trading cycle low having been seen on April 16th, I want to assume the former until Bonds can prove the latter. At a higher level, the timing band for the intermediate-term cycle low runs between February 29th and May 9th. Accordingly, that higher degree cycle low is due in conjunction with either the suspected April 16th trading cycle low, or the next. Once a weekly swing low is seen, the higher degree intermediate-term cycle low should be in place. A weekly swing low that is

accompanied by a right-translated trading cycle advance should serve as confirmation of the intermediate-term cycle low.



Crude Oil

Since the April 8th completion of a daily swing high, Crude Oil began forming the trading and what I continue to suspect is the intermediate-term cycle top as well. Per the Tuesday night update, the decline out of this top had carried price to oversold levels, per the 5 3 3 Stochastic and given the reversal off the low on Tuesday, we knew that the price/oscillator picture was indeed ripe for the trading cycle low. The price action on Wednesday completed the formation of a daily swing low, but because of the reversal off the high and with the daily CTI having turned back down, a short-term buy signal was not triggered. On Thursday Crude Oil continued higher, but with the daily CTI remaining negative a short-term buy signal was still not triggered. The price/oscillator picture continues to be suggestive of the trading cycle low and any further advance that turns the daily CTI up will trigger a short-term buy signal in association with that low. It is the advance out of this low that will serve as the structural test of the higher degree intermediate-term cycle top. A daily swing high will be completed on Friday if 83.73 is not bettered and if 81.99 is violated.



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