

Money&Markets EXTRA

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MONEY MATTERS-MEDICARE ADVANTAGE-ENROLLMENT WINDOW

Medicare Advantage enrollees get a second chance to find the right health coverage this year. The government added another enrollment window that lasts until March 31 and gives people with privately run versions of the federal Medicare program an opportunity to change plans or switch to regular Medicare.

THE WEEK IN REVIEW

U.S. retail sales plunge in December; Airbus scraps iconic A380 superjumbo; auto loan delinquencies at 8-year high

QUICK FIX

How to avoid wage garnishment if you run into trouble paying your student loans.

WIRELESS & CASHLESS

Locast.org is a newish, free online service that delivers broadcast TV to your home without needing an antenna _ or even a TV.

SMALL BUSINESS MONITOR

Small business owners who want to create a retirement plan for employees have until the due date of their income tax returns to set up Simplified Employee Pensions, or SEPs.

CENTERPIECE

German slowdown

The export-driven German economy is slowing, and its chances of rebounding are tied to the outcome of the U.S.-China trade talks.

MARKET PULSE

Blackface scandal spreads to Katy Perry-brand shoes; Chipotle taps Oscar winner to film new ads; Comeback for Geoffrey the Giraffe?

OFF THE CHARTS-TAXING FUNDS

The majority of investors with a U.S. stock mutual fund or ETF received something called a “capital-gains distribution” late last year. They might owe taxes on it, even if they haven’t sold any shares of the fund themselves.

INSIDER Q&A-GRAILED CEO

The CEO of Grailed, an eBay-like marketplace where hip brands like Supreme and Off-White are bought and sold, talks to The Associated Press how Kanye West and John Mayer are fueling mens’ fashion.

\$1,000 DERBY

If you invested \$1,000 at the start of this year in various types of stocks, bonds and commodities, how much would you have now?

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