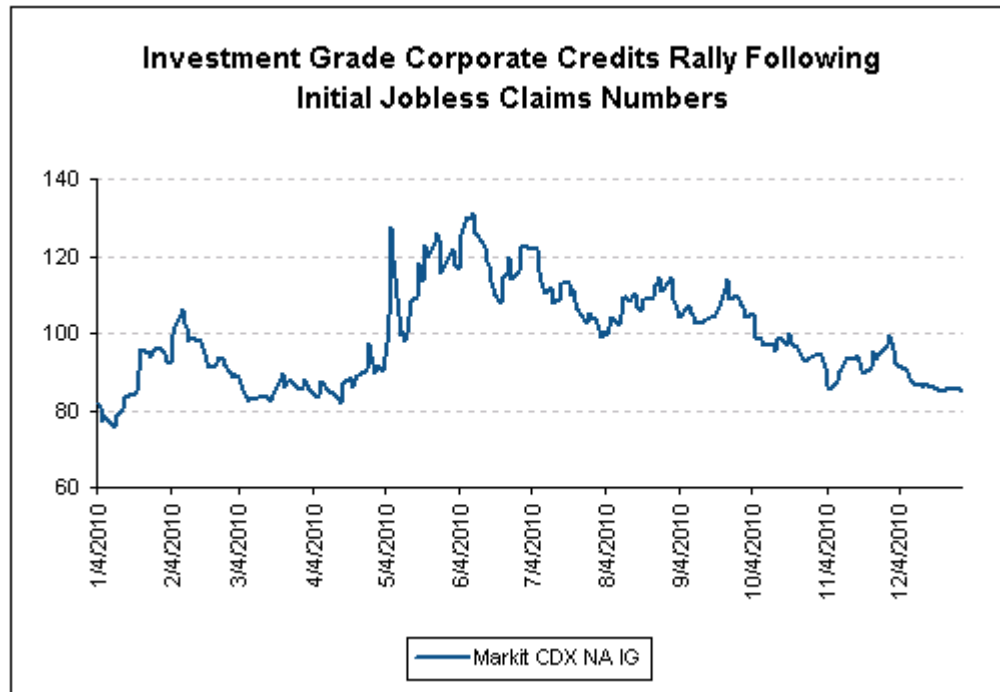


Chart of the Day



- Initial jobless claims in the US dropped 34,000 to 388,000 and is the first time since July 2008 that the number has been below 400,000; California showed the largest reduction
- North American investment grade corporate credits reacted positively to the news with the Markit CDX NA IG index tighter by .5 bp
- Volumes on the index were light due to the winter holidays (which is typical)

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