

Market Review



INVESTING

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EQUITY INDICES	LAST	CHANGE	%CHG	52 WK-HIGH	52 WK-LOW	YTD
DOW JONES INDUSTRIAL AVERAGE	24,597.38	70.11	0.29%	26951.81	23344.52	-0.49%
S&P 500	2,650.53	-0.54	-0.02%	2940.91	2532.69	-0.86%
NASDAQ COMPOSITE	7,070.33	-27.98	-0.39%	8133.30	6630.67	2.42%
S&P/TSX COMPOSITE	14,750.35	-32.71	-0.22%	16586.46	14610.18	-9.00%
STOXX EUROPE 50	2,862.05	-4.97	-0.17%	3283.23	2779.23	-9.94%
FTSE 100	6,877.50	-2.69	-0.04%	7903.50	6673.57	-10.54%
DAX PERFORMANCE-INDEX TR	10,924.70	-4.73	-0.04%	13596.89	10585.77	-15.43%
CAC40	4,896.92	-12.53	-0.26%	5657.44	4732.02	-7.82%
Nikkei 225 Index	21,816.19	213.44	0.99%	24448.07	20347.49	-4.17%
HANG SENG INDEX	26,524.35	337.64	1.29%	33484.08	24540.63	-11.35%
Shanghai SE Composite Index	2,634.05	31.90	1.23%	3587.03	2449.20	-20.35%

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U.S. stocks fluctuate amid concerns of global economic growth

Asian equity markets rallied on Thursday on signs of easing China-U.S. trade tensions and expectations that Beijing will step up its policy support for China's cooling economy. European shares opened higher boosted by news that Italy lowered its budget deficit goal and expected the European Commission to accept the proposal and after British Prime Minister Theresa May survived a no-confidence vote among lawmakers from within her Conservative Party. European shares reversed early gains, ending the day in the red, as investors worried about Europe's growth after the European Central Bank (ECB) trimmed its growth and inflation projections for next year and said that the balance of risk was tilted toward the downside. The ECB also said it would end its bond-buying economic stimulus program- as widely anticipated. In the commodities markets, oil prices climbed as much as 3.6% after data showed U.S. inventories declined last week. The International Energy Agency also provided a boost, after it said in a monthly report that OPEC's output agreement with Russia and Canada's decision to mandate production cuts could create an oil market supply deficit by the second quarter of next year, if top producers stick to the deal. Gold slipped to a one week low as the U.S. dollar rose against a basket of currencies.

U.S. stocks struggled to find direction amid uncertainty about the health of the global economy, Brexit and global trade. Investors took a defensive stance with consumer staples, real estate and utilities sectors trading higher. The consumer discretionary sector was among the weakest performers, led by losses in Under Armour after the sportswear maker forecast 2019 revenue growth and profit below analyst expectations. General Electric was among the top performers on the S&P500, jumping as much as 10% after long-time bear JP Morgan upgraded the stock to neutral. In economic news, U.S. jobless claims fell to a near 49 year low last week pointing to ongoing strength in the labour market, bolstering expectations that the Federal Reserve will raise interest rates at its December 18-19 policy meeting. However other data showed muted inflation pressures, supporting the view that we will see fewer interest rate hikes next year. Import prices declined 1.6% in November after increasing 0.5% in October. Export prices declined 0.9% in November after increasing an upwardly revised 0.5% (from 0.4%) in October. Excluding fuel, import prices were down 0.3%.

Canada's TSX Composite Index erased early gains on Thursday. Defensive sectors - consumer staples, utilities and real estate - outperformed the broader market. In corporate news, AltaGas Ltd shares surged as much as 14% after the company cut its annual dividend by 56% to and said it would sell its 55% stake in hydroelectric projects in Northwest British Columbia for about C\$1.39 billion. Alamos Gold fell as much as 9% after a brokerage firm cut its rating to hold from buy. Empire Co shares jumped as much as 10% after reporting better than expected second quarter results.

S&P/TSX: LEADERS	LAST	CHANGE	%CHG
Empire Company Ltd	\$28.51	\$2.75	10.68%
AltaGas Ltd	\$15.05	\$1.33	9.69%
Baytex Energy Corp	\$2.45	\$0.19	8.41%
Seven Generations Energy Ltd	\$10.14	\$0.69	7.30%
Transcontinental Inc	\$20.60	\$1.23	6.35%

S&P/TSX: LAGGARDS	LAST	CHANGE	%CHG
Aphria Inc	\$7.04	-\$0.74	-9.51%
Birchcliff Energy Ltd	\$3.07	-\$0.22	-6.69%
Aurora Cannabis Inc	\$7.61	-\$0.54	-6.63%
Alamos Gold Inc	\$4.26	-\$0.29	-6.37%
Canada Goose Holdings Inc	\$73.06	-\$4.95	-6.35%

S&P/TSX INDUSTRY	LAST	CHANGE	%CHG	YTD
ENERGY	146.18	-0.15	-0.10%	-24.26%
MATERIALS	214.29	0.15	0.07%	-12.79%
UTILITIES	230.22	1.63	0.71%	-7.86%
FINANCIALS	277.11	-1.08	-0.39%	-10.17%
INDUSTRIALS	237.09	-2.05	-0.86%	-1.33%
HEALTH CARE	97.26	-3.73	-3.69%	-0.08%
CONS. DISCRETIONARY	179.56	-0.18	-0.10%	-16.59%
CONS. STAPLES	564.28	3.95	0.70%	2.23%
INFO TECH.	77.6	-0.51	-0.65%	17.79%
COMMUNICATION SVCS	170.42	-0.98	-0.57%	0.01%
REAL ESTATE	304.42	-0.07	-0.02%	0.35%

GOVERNMENT BONDS	2YR	5YR	10YR	30YR
CANADA (YLD%)	2.07%	2.09%	2.15%	2.32%
U.S. (YLD%)	2.76%	2.75%	2.91%	3.17%

COMMODITIES/ FX	LAST	CHANGE	%CHG	YTD
CRUDE OIL WTI	\$52.97	\$1.820	3.56%	-12.33%
NATURAL GAS	\$4.14	-\$0.001	-0.02%	39.70%
GOLD	\$1,243.10	-\$1.300	-0.10%	-4.63%
COPPER	\$2.76	-\$0.007	-0.25%	-15.55%
CAD / USD	\$0.7490	\$0.0001	0.01%	-5.79%
CAD / EUR	€0.6591	€0.0004	0.06%	-0.53%
USD / EUR	€0.8800	€0.0004	0.05%	5.59%
USD / JPY	¥113.59	¥0.32	0.28%	0.80%

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