

# Market Review



INVESTING

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EQUITY INDICES	LAST	CHANGE	%CHG	52 WK-HIGH	52 WK-LOW	YTD
DOW JONES INDUSTRIAL AVERAGE	35,625.40	110.02	0.31%	35610.57	26143.77	16.40%
S&P 500	4,479.71	11.71	0.26%	4468.37	3209.45	19.27%
NASDAQ COMPOSITE	14,793.76	-29.14	-0.20%	14896.48	10519.49	14.78%
S&P/TSX COMPOSITE	20,483.42	-34.65	-0.17%	20567.11	15418.46	17.50%
STOXX EUROPE 50	3,649.51	-14.67	-0.40%	3665.36	2671.44	17.41%
FTSE 100	7,153.98	-64.73	-0.90%	7224.46	5525.52	10.73%
DAX PERFORMANCE-INDEX TR	15,925.73	-51.71	-0.32%	16030.33	11450.08	16.09%
CAC40	6,838.77	-57.27	-0.83%	6913.67	4512.57	23.19%
Nikkei 225 Index	27,523.19	-453.96	-1.62%	30714.52	22594.79	0.29%
HANG SENG INDEX	26,181.46	-210.16	-0.80%	31183.36	23124.25	-3.85%
Shanghai SE Composite Index	3,517.34	1.05	0.03%	3731.69	3202.34	1.27%

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### The Canadian housing market is cooling off.

The stock market started the week on a cautious note as a sharp slowdown in Chinese economic activity, a rapid Taliban takeover in Afghanistan and the spread of the coronavirus delta variant sparked concern that the global recovery is faltering. In Canada, the main stock index slipped today dragged down by energy stocks as oil prices declined. On the economic front, Canadian factory sales jumped by 2.1% in June from May as production ramped up in the auto industry, and on higher sales in the petroleum and coal industry. Excluding vehicles and parts, manufacturing sales were up 1.0%. Additional data released by statistics Canada, showed that wholesale trade fell by 0.8% in June from May on lower sales in building materials and supplies. Sales were down in three out of seven subsectors and fell in six of the 10 provinces. Meanwhile, Canada's housing market posted its fourth month of sales declines as the number of people looking to sell their homes saw a precipitous decline despite prices near record levels. Transactions fell 3.5% in July, with new listings dropping 8.8%, according to data released by the Canadian Real Estate Association. That caused the national average home price to rise 0.3% to around C\$669,200, while the ratio of sales to new listings, a measure of market tightness, rose to 74% from 70% the previous month. Since the pandemic caused a buying frenzy in Canada that sent sales and prices to record heights in March, the market has been steadily cooling off as prospective buyers are faced with one of the developed world's most severe housing shortages and little prospect of much new supply becoming available soon. But despite this tightening, and the resulting drop-in activity from the previous month, July home sales were still well above the average from the last 10 years. As widely expected, Prime Minister Justin Trudeau called an early election and kicked off his campaign by touting his credentials in fighting the pandemic and accusing the main opposition party of giving vaccine skeptics a pass. In the U.S., the S&P 500 notched its 49th record since the end of last year today, led by defensive sectors. Travel companies dropped on worries that further Covid-19 restrictions could threaten the nascent rebound of the industry and Tesla Inc. sank as the U.S. opened a formal investigation on the electric-vehicle's Autopilot system.

S&P/TSX: LEADERS	LAST	CHANGE	%CHG
Village Farms International Inc	\$11.81	\$0.64	5.73%
Home Capital Group Inc	\$42.02	\$2.27	5.71%
Canaccord Genuity Group Inc	\$14.67	\$0.64	4.56%
Seabridge Gold Inc	\$22.38	\$0.85	3.95%
Trillium Therapeutics Inc	\$8.03	\$0.23	2.95%

S&P/TSX: LAGGARDS	LAST	CHANGE	%CHG
OrganiGram Holdings Inc	\$3.11	-\$0.50	-13.85%
Vermilion Energy Inc	\$8.31	-\$0.58	-6.52%
Altus Group Ltd	\$64.52	-\$3.64	-5.34%
Westport Fuel Systems Inc	\$5.33	-\$0.25	-4.48%
Enerplus Corp	\$6.83	-\$0.30	-4.21%

S&P/TSX INDUSTRY	LAST	CHANGE	%CHG	YTD
ENERGY	118.43	-2.75	-2.27%	30.13%
MATERIALS	316.24	-2.71	-0.85%	-1.37%
UTILITIES	338.8	1.36	0.40%	6.04%
FINANCIALS	384.77	0.07	0.02%	25.63%
INDUSTRIALS	364.46	-0.41	-0.11%	10.84%
HEALTH CARE	60.71	-0.66	-1.08%	0.93%
CONS. DISCRETIONARY	272.58	0.47	0.17%	16.91%
CONS. STAPLES	741.95	1.55	0.21%	17.26%
INFO TECH.	225.77	0.07	0.03%	23.80%
COMMUNICATION SVCS	194.72	0.53	0.27%	18.92%
REAL ESTATE	376.79	-1.75	-0.46%	26.25%

GOVERNMENT BONDS	2YR	5YR	10YR	30YR
CANADA (YLD%)	0.44%	0.82%	1.16%	1.74%
U.S. (YLD%)	0.21%	0.76%	1.27%	1.93%

COMMODITIES/ FX	LAST	CHANGE	%CHG	YTD
CRUDE OIL WTI	\$67.45	-\$0.990	-1.45%	39.22%
NATURAL GAS	\$3.95	\$0.084	2.18%	55.38%
GOLD	\$1,786.40	\$11.200	0.63%	-5.62%
COPPER	\$4.32	-\$0.069	-1.57%	22.83%
CAD / USD	\$0.7954	-\$0.0032	-0.40%	1.23%
CAD / EUR	€0.6754	-€0.0014	-0.21%	5.06%
USD / EUR	€0.8491	€0.0016	0.19%	3.76%
USD / JPY	¥109.25	-¥0.32	-0.29%	5.79%

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