

Market Review



INVESTING

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EQUITY INDICES	LAST	CHANGE	%CHG	52 WK-HIGH	52 WK-LOW	YTD
DOW JONES INDUSTRIAL AVERAGE	29,263.48	-219.75	-0.75%	29964.29	18213.65	2.54%
S&P 500	3,557.54	-24.33	-0.68%	3645.99	2191.86	10.11%
NASDAQ COMPOSITE	11,854.97	-49.74	-0.42%	12108.07	6631.42	32.12%
S&P/TSX COMPOSITE	17,019.10	109.29	0.65%	17970.51	11172.73	-0.26%
STOXX EUROPE 50	3,067.32	13.64	0.45%	3539.89	2260.11	-9.87%
FTSE 100	6,351.45	17.10	0.27%	7689.67	4898.79	-15.79%
DAX PERFORMANCE-INDEX TR	13,137.25	51.09	0.39%	13795.24	8255.65	-0.84%
CAC40	5,495.89	21.23	0.39%	6111.41	3632.06	-8.07%
Nikkei 225 Index	25,527.37	-106.97	-0.42%	26057.30	16358.19	7.91%
HANG SENG INDEX	26,451.54	94.57	0.36%	29174.92	21139.26	-6.17%
Shanghai SE Composite Index	3,377.73	14.64	0.44%	3458.79	2646.80	10.74%

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Surging coronavirus cases and new lockdown measures weigh on sentiment

It was a lackluster session on Wall Street on Friday as investors worried that surging coronavirus infections and new restrictions to try to mitigate the spread of the virus would derail the economic recovery. This outweighed vaccine optimism as Pfizer and BioNTech announced that they would submit their FDA application today to receive emergency use authorization for their COVID-19 vaccine next month. Uncertainty over the U.S. monetary stimulus also weighed on sentiment after U.S. Treasury Secretary Steven Mnuchin unexpectedly said that key pandemic lending programs at the Federal Reserve would expire on December 31. This put the administration at odds with the Federal Reserve which views these programs as essential to keeping the economy stable. This comes at a time where recent data has shown that the economic recovery is fading and the outlook for the winter is bleak. U.S. infection rates are setting daily records and many states are tightening restrictions on activity with school and business closures, likely leading to more job layoffs. This news dampened optimism around the possibility of new fiscal stimulus after U.S. Senate Democratic leader Chuck Schumer and Republican Majority Leader Mitch McConnell agreed to resume talks on another coronavirus stimulus package.

The U.S. major averages fell on Friday. Economically sensitive cyclical sectors underperformed with financials and industrials the weakest sectors on the S&P500. The Nasdaq's losses were limited by strength in stay at home stocks such as Zoom Video Communications, Netflix, Peloton Interactive, and Activision Blizzard. In corporate news, Williams Sonoma, Hibbett Sports and Ross Stores rose after the retailers reported better than expected quarterly results. Foot Locker slid after its holiday earnings outlook disappointed. Nike rose after raising its quarterly dividend for the 19th consecutive year. Technology companies Workday and Intuit fell, despite reporting positive results and upbeat guidance. Gilead Sciences Inc. fell after the WHO advised against using its remdesivir drug to treat patients hospitalized with Covid-19, as there is no evidence the drug improves outcomes.

Canada's TSX Composite Index rose on Friday. Nine of the 11 sectors on the index traded in the green, led by gains in the energy and materials sectors amid higher commodity prices. Technology was the top performing sector on a percentage basis. In corporate news Real Matters slumped after the IT service provider reported a fourth quarter profit miss. Boralex jumped after announcing a deal to buy the Caisse de depot et placement du Quebec's 49% stake in three Quebec wind farms. Economic data showed Canada's retail sales rose for a fifth month in a row in September, jumping 1.1%. This was significantly stronger than the +0.2% print expected by consensus. Gains were widespread with sales up in 9 of the 11 sub-sectors. However, it remains to be seen if consumer spending will be sustained going forward given rising caseloads and government-mandated closure of non-essential businesses in several provinces.

S&P/TSX: LEADERS	LAST	CHANGE	%CHG
Aurinia Pharmaceuticals Inc	\$18.91	\$1.38	7.87%
BlackBerry Ltd	\$7.55	\$0.54	7.70%
Lightspeed POS Inc	\$59.57	\$3.77	6.76%
Ballard Power Systems Inc	\$25.26	\$1.58	6.67%
Kinaxis Inc	\$181.20	\$11.27	6.63%

S&P/TSX: LAGGARDS	LAST	CHANGE	%CHG
Real Matters Inc	\$22.17	-\$4.18	-15.86%
Air Canada	\$21.01	-\$0.67	-3.09%
Parkland Corp	\$39.09	-\$1.16	-2.88%
Corus Entertainment Inc	\$4.14	-\$0.12	-2.82%
Brookfield Property Partners LP	\$20.61	-\$0.58	-2.74%

S&P/TSX INDUSTRY	LAST	CHANGE	%CHG	YTD
ENERGY	82.08	0.70	0.86%	-43.77%
MATERIALS	314.4	3.44	1.11%	17.14%
UTILITIES	313.85	2.35	0.75%	8.68%
FINANCIALS	300.19	0.94	0.31%	-4.84%
INDUSTRIALS	324.44	-0.31	-0.10%	13.45%
HEALTH CARE	60.11	0.41	0.69%	-21.34%
CONS. DISCRETIONARY	219.21	-0.20	-0.09%	9.02%
CONS. STAPLES	641.04	3.32	0.52%	3.54%
INFO TECH.	169.64	4.82	2.92%	43.85%
COMMUNICATION SVCS	165.21	0.22	0.13%	-7.81%
REAL ESTATE	307.87	0.00	0.00%	-11.13%

GOVERNMENT BONDS	2YR	5YR	10YR	30YR
CANADA (YLD%)	0.28%	0.43%	0.66%	1.17%
U.S. (YLD%)	0.16%	0.37%	0.82%	1.52%

COMMODITIES/ FX	LAST	CHANGE	%CHG	YTD
CRUDE OIL WTI	\$42.15	\$0.430	1.03%	-31.01%
NATURAL GAS	\$2.65	\$0.061	2.35%	21.20%
GOLD	\$1,871.20	\$10.100	0.54%	23.15%
COPPER	\$3.26	\$0.061	1.89%	16.82%
CAD / USD	\$0.7639	-\$0.0009	-0.12%	-0.79%
CAD / EUR	€0.6442	€0.0003	0.05%	-6.18%
USD / EUR	€0.8433	€0.0013	0.15%	-5.43%
USD / JPY	¥103.81	¥0.09	0.09%	-4.42%

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