

**Markets**

<b>SFE 200 Futures</b> (9.30am AEDT)	6639	-60	<b>-0.9</b>
<b>NZX 50</b>	11205	-23	<b>-0.2</b>
<b>DJIA Futures</b>	27490	3	0.0
<b>S&amp;P 500 Futures</b>	3092	1	0.0
<b>NASDAQ Futures</b>	8256	4	0.1

**Local Markets Commentary**

The Australian market opens mid-week trade with material data due late-morning, following mostly negative sentiment across major international equities markets overnight, and with further antagonism anticipated among NATO leaders meeting in London.

**Locally** today, the Australian Bureau of Statistic (ABS) publishes September quarter **GDP 11.30am AEDT**.

**AiG's** November **services sector activity** index is due pre-trade.

**Regionally**, Caixin releases its **China** November services PMI **12.45pm AEDT**.

In overnight commodities trade, WTI **crude** continued to settle higher, but Brent closed down US10c/bbl for the session.

US **gold** futures (February) turned and rallied.

**Iron ore** (Nymex CFR China, 62% Fe) swung lower, below \$US87.7/t.

LME **copper** picked up the pace of Monday's decline. **Nickel** and **aluminium** turned and fell.

The **\$A** was pushed below US68.50c after approaching US68.60c early yesterday evening.

**Overseas Markets**

INDEX	CLOSE	+/-	%
<b>Dow Jones</b>	27503	-280	<b>-1.0</b>
<b>S&amp;P 500</b>	3093	-21	<b>-0.7</b>
<b>NASDAQ</b>	8521	-47	<b>-0.6</b>
<b>FTSE 100</b>	7159	-127	<b>-1.8</b>
<b>DAX 30</b>	12989	25	<b>0.2</b>
<b>Shanghai Comp</b>	2885	9	<b>0.3</b>

**Overseas Markets Commentary**

US equities markets dropped on opening overnight, following mixed early trade across key European equities indices.

The US president had late Monday threatened import taxes on champagne and cheese from France, after announcing new aluminium and steel tariffs for Brazil and Argentina.

Yesterday, he again toyed with US-China trade relations sentiment, this being interpreted that perhaps the latest negotiations were not to his liking.

The president offered his view that finalising a deal may be better left until after the 2020 US presidential election, and also

**Australia – September quarter GDP – 11.30am AEDT**

**China – Caixin services PMI – 12.45pm AEDT**

**Today's Stock Watch**
**TPG Telecom (TPM)**

Market update anticipated at this morning's (live audio webcast) AGM. TPM has traded lower the past three sessions, closing at \$6.84 yesterday.

**Adairs Ltd (ADH)**

Proposing to acquire home and living products retailer Mocka Ltd for an initial \$NZ80M enterprise value.

Pending conditions, completion is anticipated mid-month.

ADH will initially pay \$NZ6M in shares (~3.2M) and \$NZ46M cash. The balance will be paid over two – three years, subject to earnings, but set at a minimum \$NZ20.0M.

**oOh!Media Ltd (OML)**

Anticipating a \$138M - \$143M underlying FY 2019 EBITDA, against previous \$125M - \$135M guidance.

Expecting to release full year results 24 February.

**THC Global Group (THC)**

THC has produced its first medicinal cannabis at the Southport, Queensland facility.

**Transurban Group (TCL)**

Planning to pay a 31c distribution for the six months ending 31 December, 29c from Transurban Holding Trust, and 2c fully franked from Transurban Holdings.

**CSL Ltd (CSL)**

Today's annual R&D investor briefing lodged pre-trade.

**Zelda Therapeutics (ZLD)**

Licensing agreement secured to expand the HOPE franchise to Louisiana, US.

**Resources**
**Rio Tinto (RIO)**

Planning to spend \$US1.5B over six years on the Utah, US Kennecott copper operation.

In South Africa, RIO has suspended mining, and reduced smelter operations, at the Richards Bay Minerals site, due to community violence.

In addition, RIO has temporarily suspended Sulti South project construction.

**Aurelia Metals (AMI)**

NSW regulatory work approval in hand to pump groundwater from the Great Cobar historic mine to AMI's Peak mines.

Pending final approvals, pumping is anticipated to commence within weeks.

suggesting that the initial accord, reportedly under preparation, could be agreed almost a year from now.

Meanwhile, tensions were apparent as a North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (NATO) summit began in London, ahead of the main NATO leaders meeting later today.

Among a relatively few new data releases, the (US) ISM New York business activity index returned to expansion territory, rising to 50.4 from 47.7.

**Euro zone** October producer prices gained 0.1% for the month, as they had in September. Against October 2018, prices were down 1.9%.

In the **UK**, the November construction PMI improved but remained contractionary, rising to 45.3 from 44.2.

**Tonight** in the **US**, the ISM November services sector activity index, a private sector employment report and weekly new mortgage applications are due.

In addition, Fed Reserve vice chair Richard Quarles meets with a parliamentary financial services committee.

Elsewhere, the **Bank of Canada** convenes a policy meeting and announces outcomes.

Campbell Soup and Synopsis are among companies scheduled to report earnings later today and tonight.

### Commodities

COMMODITY	CLOSE	\$US/	+/-	%
<b>Gold (NY) (Feb)</b>	<b>1484.4</b>	oz	15.2	<b>1.0</b>
<b>Silver (NY) (Mar)</b>	17.248	oz	0.282	<b>1.7</b>
<b>Gold (LON)</b>	1461	oz		
<b>Platinum</b>	908	oz	12	<b>1.3</b>
<b>WTI Crude (Jan)</b>	<b>56.10</b>	bbl	0.14	<b>0.3</b>
<b>Brent Crude (Feb)</b>	<b>60.82</b>	bbl	-0.10	<b>-0.2</b>
<b>Iron Ore</b> (NYMEX,CHN,62%)	87.65	t	-0.46	<b>-0.5</b>
<b>Copper</b> (LME,3mth,PM)	<b>5809</b>	t	-51	<b>-0.9</b>
<b>Nickel</b>	13360	t	-340	<b>-2.5</b>
<b>Aluminium</b>	1769	t	-21	<b>-1.2</b>
<b>Lead</b>	1897	t	-10	<b>-0.5</b>
<b>Zinc</b>	2211	t	-20	<b>-0.9</b>
<b>Tin</b>	16690	t	200	<b>1.2</b>

### Commodities Commentary

**Oil** – new US import taxes and comments suggesting difficulties in US-China trade accord negotiations pushed prices lower early. However, this week's OPEC and OPEC+ meetings (tomorrow and Friday respectively) remained firmly in focus overnight, speculation ranging from a decision to boost production cuts from 1 April 2020 to no decision due to market uncertainties.

For its part, OPEC+ member Russia offered that it was still establishing its position.

In industry news, Equinor revealed the Johan Sverdrup oil field JV had boosted daily output to 350,000bbl, against the 440,000bbl/d summer 2020 target, underscoring expectations of surplus international supply next year unless OPEC+ agrees to extend production curbs.

Weekly US petroleum inventories, as calculated by government

## Pre-Open Announcements

### RooLife Group (\* OPN)

The former OpenDNA has secured QBID as a brand management, product sourcing and procurement partner for the China e-commerce WMall network.

### PainChek Ltd (\* PCK)

\$5M national government funding officially awarded for a national trial of the PainChek diagnostic product with people who are living in aged care residences and suffering dementia.

### iCar Asia (\* ICQ)

Anticipating minimum 50% revenue growth during 2020, after achieving EBITDA breakeven in November, a month ahead of guidance.

### AMP Ltd (AMP)

Minimum \$A250M capital notes offer opening today.

### BWP Management (BWP)

BWP has appointed former RetireAustralia CEO Alison Quinn as a non-executive director.

## Resources

### Gold Road Resources (\* GOR)

Gruyere JV Gilmour initial resource estimated at 2.6Mt @ 3.09g/t Au, for 258,000oz of gold.

The Renegade open pit resource stands at 900,000t @ 1.3g/t Au, for 39,200oz.

### Amani Gold (\* ANL)

Initial Tanzania gold shipment achieved, the gold refined in Hong Kong weighing in at 5.08kg and with 99.9999% purity. ANL had shipped 6.77kg of gold with a 78% purity.

### Bass Metals (\* BSM)

Malagasy Graphmada graphite mining complex Mahela deposit initial resource estimated at 4.4Mt @ 3.8% total graphitic carbon (TGC), for 167,000t of graphite.

99,000t qualify for indicated status.

### Westgold Resources (WGX)

WGX has completed the demerger of Castile Resources, ahead of a pro-rata 20c-per-share entitlement offer to WGX shareholders, who have received a one-for-four in-specie distribution.

Castile is targeting a listing on the ASX by no later than 31 January 2020.

## Energy

### Armour Energy (\* AJQ) / Santos Ltd (STO)

Formal farm-in agreement in hand for STO to earn up to 70% of AJQ north Queensland, and select Northern Territory, tenements.

### Australia Oil & Gas (ATS)

Tuscaloosa marine shale (TMS) project update lodged this



agency the EIA, are due tonight.

**Gold** – overnight sentiment received a boost from trade-related international growth concerns, due to new US import taxes for goods from Argentina, Brazil and France touted by the US president from Monday, and his Tuesday declaration that he was not concerned should no US-China trade deal eventuate until after the US 2020 presidential election.

Discussions surrounding today's main NATO leaders' meeting near London could influence some sentiment tonight, but key data releases through to the end of the week are also expected to impact trade positions.

**Base metals** – overnight LME trade was influenced by international trade concerns, suggestions *copper's* low inventories, combined with any near-term US-China trade accord, could produce a substantial rise in copper prices, and Rio Tinto's declaration that 'We like copper'.

Rio confirmed it was expanding the Utah, US copper operation with \$US1.5B worth of further investment.

### Exchange Rates

CURRENCIES	LAST	+/-	%
<b>AUD – USD</b>	0.6848	0.0000	0.00
<b>EUR – USD</b>	1.1082	0.0002	0.01

### Australian Data Today

AiG	PSI	Nov
ABS	GDP	Sep Q

### US Data Tonight

ISM non-manufacturing	Nov
ADP (private sector) employment change	Nov
MBA mortgage applications	29 Nov
Markit services PMI (final)	Nov

### Other Overseas Data Today & Tonight

<b>China</b>	Caixin services PMI	Nov
<b>Japan</b>	Services PMI	Nov
<b>UK</b>	Services PMI	Nov
<b>Germany</b>	Services PMI (final)	Nov
<b>Euro zone</b>	Services PMI (final)	Nov

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morning, including initial production figures for Saxby 03-10 2H and Quin 41-30 3H.

### Trading Halts

Company	Code	Resuming
Adslot Ltd	ADJ	4 Dec
Agua Resources	AGR	4 Dec
Astron Corporation	ATR	4 Dec
Eon NRG	E2E	4 Dec
Global Oil & Gas	GLV	4 Dec
MRG Metals	MRQ	4 Dec
Orthocell Ltd	OCC	4 Dec
Altech Chemicals	ATC	5 Dec
Challenger Exploration	CEL	5 Dec
De.mem Ltd	DEM	5 Dec
FBR Ltd	FBR	5 Dec
Hammer Metals	HMX	5 Dec
Range International	RAN	5 Dec
Renascor Resources	RNU	5 Dec
Threat Protect Australia	TPS	5 Dec
Uniti Group	UWL	5 Dec

### Suspensions *(select)*

Company	Code	Since
Austar Gold	AULDA	18 Nov
Authorised Investment Fund	AIY	22 Nov
CropLogic Ltd	CLI	19 Nov
Donaco International	DNA	2 Dec
Ellex Medical Lasers	ELX	28 Nov
EVE Investments	EVE	29 Nov
G Medical Innovations Holdings	GMV	29 Nov
Legend Mining	LEG	2 Dec
Murray River Organics Group	MRG	3 Dec
NetLinkz Ltd	NET	2 Dec
Nzuri Copper	NZC	19 Nov
Titan Minerals	TTM	21 Nov
Triton Minerals	TON	3 Dec
TV2U International	TV2	26 Nov

### Ex-Dividends

Code	Ex-Div	Div (c)	Franking (%)	Yield (%)
CKF	Tomorrow	9.5	100	1.92
PDL	Tomorrow	25	10	6.07
FPH	Fri	11.36	0	1.09
GTK	Fri	2.84	8.5	3.56
CIE	Mon	1	100	4.17
KKT	Tue (10 Dec)	5	100	1.42
SHV	12 Dec	20	100	1.44
PL8	16 Dec	0.5	100	5.08



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RFF	30 Dec	2.71	0	5.85
TCL	30 Dec	31	6.45	tbc

**Reports & Events**

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When	Company	Report/Event
<b>Today</b>	<b>CSL</b>	R&D investor briefing
	<b>TPM</b>	AGM
<b>Tomorrow</b>	NUF	AGM
<b>Fri</b>	ALU	AGM
	SOL	AGM
<b>Tue (10 Dec)</b>	BOQ	AGM
<b>Thu (12 Dec)</b>	ELD	AGM
	WBC	AGM
<b>Fri (13 Dec)</b>	PDL	AGM