Market Opener

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Markets

SFE 200 Futures (9.30am AEDST)	5463	35	0.6
NZX 50	6896	-15	-0.2
DJIA Futures	19232	0	0.0
S&P 500 Futures	2210	6	0.3
NASDAQ Futures	4787	6	0.1

Local Markets Commentary

The Australian market is likely to mostly react today to domestic data and overnight commodities trade.

Oil prices fell. **Copper** also turned and fell. US **gold** futures continued to settle lower. **Iron ore** modestly extended Monday's gain

The \$A again gained after slipping below ~US74.35c early yesterday evening.

Locally today, September quarter **GDP** is due **11.30am** AEDST.

Pre-trade, AiG and HIA release their November construction sector activity index. Post-trade, the Reserve Bank of Australia (RBA) publishes official assets.

Regionally, **China** is expected to report November foreign reserves (as late as 3pm AEDST), and **Japan** business conditions.

Overseas Markets

INDEX	CLOSE	+/-	%
Dow Jones	19252	36	0.2
S&P 500	2212	8	0.3
NASDAQ	5333	24	0.5
FTSE 100	6780	33	0.5
DAX 30	10775	90	0.9
Shanghai Comp	3200	-5	-0.2

Overseas Markets Commentary

Chops and swings featured across most major European and US equities markets overnight, but US indices notably moved definitively higher in late trade.

In data releases, September quarter GDP growth for the **euro zone** was revised 0.1% higher to 1.7%.

Germany's October factory orders jumped 4.9%.

In the **UK**, an industry report estimated November like-for-like retail sales had grown 0.6% year-on-year, after a 1.7% rise in October.

Across in the **US**, December quarter GDP growth was debated after the October trade deficit came in at \$US42.6B, representing a 17.8% monthly increase, the largest since March 2015.

October factory orders rose the most in a month in 1.5 years however, improving 2.7% after a 0.6% gain in September.

Tonight in the US, a job opportunities report, consumer credit and weekly mortgage applications are due.

Dell and Costco are among companies scheduled to report earnings.

Australia - September quarter GDP 11.30am AEDST.

* IT listing 2.30pm AEDST - DN8 *

Today's Stock Watch

Wesfarmers Ltd (WES)

Bunnings CEO John Gillam is moving to a WES advisory role after 12 years in his current position. The MDs of Bunnings Australia/NZ and UK/Ireland will report directly to WES MD Richard Goyder. Mr Gillam will continue as chair of the Bunnings Group Council.

CSG Ltd (CSV) / Wesfarmers Ltd (WES)

Agreement secured for CSV to supply communication and technology subscription bundles to WES's Officeworks, for onsale to customers.

TPG Telecom (TPM)

Acquisitions management questions anticipated at today's AGM.

CIMIC Group (CIM)

CIM alleges no proper basis exists for a class action claim filed in Australia's Federal Court 23 November.

ZipTel Ltd (ZIP)

Strategic partnership secured with wholesale voice carrier Tata Communications, targeting the integration of Tata's termination network into ZIP's Zipt.

Dreamscape Networks (* DN8)

Website domain name and services specialist scheduled to list **2.30pm** AEDST following a \$25M IPO at 25c per share.

Collins Foods (CKF)

Trading ex-dividend (8c) today. CKF appreciated 22c (3.7%) yesterday.

Resources

Iluka Resources (ILU)

Expecting to complete the planned merger with Sierra Rutile later today. Recent inspections indicated reduced Sierra tailings dam risks and have resulted in an acceptable management plan.

Alacer Gold Corporation (AQG)

Lowering 2016 output guidance and raising cost expectations. Production is likely to total 115,000oz – 125,000oz, from 150,000oz to 170,000oz. AISC is expected to come in at \$US900/oz - \$US950/oz, against the previously predicted \$US780/oz - \$US830/oz. AQG says achieving safe access to higher-grade Çöpler ore took longer than anticipated. AQG holds 80% of the Cöpler project, which is located in Turkey.

Graphex Mining (GPX)

Chilalo graphite testing has produced concentrate grading up to 99.4% TGC, using basic flotation.

Rio Tinto (RIO)

Hosted an investor seminar in London overnight, adding information regarding copper and diamond plans to the 24 November Sydney presentation. Webcast and presentation access details lodged this morning.

Energy

Lakes Oil (LKO)

LKO has initiated additional legal proceedings against the Victorian government. Damages claimed by LKO total \$2.7B.



Commodities

COMMODITY	CLOSE	\$US/	+/-	%
Gold (NY) (Feb)	1170	oz	-7	-0.5
Silver (NY) (Mar)	16.8	OZ	-0.1	-0.7
Gold (LON)	1173	OZ	10	0.9
Platinum	932	OZ	-3	-0.3
WTI Crude (Jan)	50.9	bbl	-0.9	-1.7
Brent Crude (Feb)	53.9	bbl	-1.0	-1.8
Iron Ore (Tianjin)	78.6	t	0.2	0.3
Copper (LME)	5884	t	-66	-1.1
Nickel	11610	t	-30	-0.3
Aluminium	1709	t	-26	-1.5
Lead	2336	t	15	0.7
Zinc	2800	t	34	1.2
Tin	21125	t	-50	-0.2
CBT Wheat (Dec)	3.90	bshl	0.0025	0.1

Commodities Commentary

Oil – as with Russia, OPEC was reported to have achieved record production in November, estimated at a daily 34.19MMbbl, against 33.82MMbbl for October.

Meanwhile, Saudi Aramco has moved to ensure best income while offering better prices than its competition, reducing its light crude January delivery price for customers in Asia, and raising it for north-west Europe.

The (US government agency) EIA raised its 2017 WTI price forecast 1.5%, to \$US50.66/bbl.

Weekly US petroleum inventories are due tonight.

Gold – a turn higher again for the \$US, coupled with oil price falls, did not help overnight gold sentiment.

Base metals – key November statistics are yet to come out of **China** this week, and next, producing some caution and profit-taking overnight.

Exchange Rates

CURRENCIES	LAST	+/-	%
AUD - USD	0.7461	0.0001	0.01
EUR – USD	1.0720	0.0004	0.04

Australian Data Today

PCI	Nov
GDP	SepQ
Official assets	Nov
	GDP

US Data Tonight

MBA mortgage applications	2 Dec
JOLTs job openings	Oct
Consumer credit	Oct

Other Overseas Data Today & Tonight

China	Foreign reserves	Nov
Japan	Business conditions indices	Oct
Japan	International reserves	Nov
UK	BoE policy meeting minutes	Nov
UK	Industrial production	Oct
UK	NIESR GDP estimate	Nov
Germany	Industrial production	Oct

Pre-Open Announcements

IRESS Ltd (* IRE)

IRE's Mortgage Sales & Originations (processing software) system has been successfully implemented at Atom Bank, UK. IRE will also provide system management services to Atom Bank.

IVE Group (* IGL)

New shareholders gained, and \$35.3M raised, in the \$2.00-pershare institutional placement and entitlement offer. An ~\$4.7M retail offer, at the same price, opens 12 December (Monday next week). IGL is resuming from a trading halt having last traded at ~\$2.063.

Lifehealthcare Group (* LHC)

Forum presentation lodged this morning.

Class Ltd (CL1)

Non-executive CL1 director and founding shareholder Roderick Kibble has resigned, effective 15 December (Thursday next week).

Integrated Research (IRI)

Alan Baxter has retired as an IRI director, effective yesterday, after 7.5 years.

HearMeOut Ltd (* HMO)

Social network app completed its ASX listing yesterday following a \$6.5M IPO at 20c per share. Opened at 24c and traded as high as 24.5c before settling at 19c. 3.1M shares were traded across 136 transactions.

Resources

Saracen Mineral Holdings (* SAR)

Anticipating greater than previously estimated production, based on Thunderbox and Carosue Dam drilling results, lodged this morning.

Minbos Resources (* MNB)

MNB major shareholder Green Services has exercised 385M 1c-per-share options. MNB traded at 0.8c yesterday and 0.9c – 1.0c Monday.

MOD Resources (* MOD)

Resuming from suspended trade with scoping study results for a T3 copper-silver deposit open pit mining operation, Botswana. The figures are sufficiently encouraging for MOD and JV partner Metal Tiger Plc to plan pre-feasibility from early 2017. MOD 70%. MOD last traded at 3.2c.

Westgold Resources (WGX)

Gold-miner scheduled completed its ASX listing yesterday. No funds were raised for the listing. Opened at \$1.55 and traded as high as \$1.765 before settling at \$1.72. 5.67M shares changed hands across 1415 trades.

Trading Halts

Company	Code	Resuming
Avalon Minerals	AVI	7 Dec
Castillo Copper	CCZ	7 Dec
Dubber Corporation	DUB	7 Dec
Orthocell Ltd	OCC	7 Dec
Terrain Minerals	TMX	7 Dec
Bligh Resources	BGH	8 Dec



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Brainchip Holdings	BRN	8 Dec
Carbine Resources	CR8	8 Dec
Lake Resources	LKE	8 Dec
Peninsula Energy	PEN	8 Dec
QMS Media	QMS	8 Dec
Spirit Telecom	ST1	8 Dec
TerraCom Ltd	TER	8 Dec
Triangle Energy (Global)	TEG	8 Dec
Austin Exploration	AKK	9 Dec

Suspensions (selected)

Company	Code	Since
Ashley Services Group	ASH	10 Nov
CMI Ltd	CMI	18 Nov
Fe Ltd	FEL	6 Dec
Horseshoe Metals	HOR	22 Nov
Kollakorn Corporation	KKL	28 Nov
Mission NewEnergy	MBT	28 Nov
Nyota Minerals	NYO	15 Nov
Pegasus Metals	PUN	22 Nov
Wangle Technologies	WGL	18 Nov

Ex-Dividends

Ex-Div	Div (c)	Fr (%)	Yield (%)
Today	8	100	2.57
Today	~0.32	0	10.73
Tomorrow	24	35	3.85
Tomorrow	~7.32	0	3.34
12 Dec	2.8	100	3.53
15 Dec	6	100	6.78
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Reports & Events

(selected scheduled)

When	Company	Report/Event
Today	ТРМ	AGM
Tomorrow	IAG TEN	Investor Day AGM
Fri	SOL WBC	AGM AGM
12 Dec	EHL	AGM
14 Dec	DLX	AGM
15 Dec	ORI	AGM
16 Dec	ANZ BTT ELD IPL NAB	AGM AGM AGM AGM AGM