

## Markets

<b>SFE 200 Futures</b> (9.30am AEST)	6206	21	<b>0.3</b>
<b>NZX 50</b>	9769	3	<b>0.0</b>
<b>DJIA Futures</b>	26160	27	0.1
<b>S&amp;P 500 Futures</b>	2893	2	0.1
<b>NASDAQ Futures</b>	7618	0	0.0

## Local Markets Commentary

The Australian market commences Friday trade, for the last full trading week in April, ahead of influential figures out of China and a late-morning release of Reserve Bank of Australia's (RBA) semi-annual financial stability review report, following mostly negative overnight key commodities trade.

Regionally today, **China** is due to report March **trade** statistics **1pm** AEST.

**Locally**, the RBA's **financial stability review** report, due **11.30am** AEST, is keenly anticipated on a number of fronts, but will be parsed in particular for any change in growth outlook commentary.

In overnight commodities trade, **oil** turned lower again.

US **gold** futures (June) dropped well below \$US1300/oz, and beneath \$US1295/oz.

**Iron ore** (China port, 62% Fe) swung higher to new five-year peaks.

LME **copper**, **nickel** and **aluminium** continued to decline.

The **\$A** fell to ~US71.25c, after trading at ~US71.55c early yesterday evening.

International Monetary Fund and World Bank meetings, officially commencing tonight, are expected to deliver more than the usual volume of global economic commentary and could impact currency trade heading into next week.

## Overseas Markets

INDEX	CLOSE	+/-	%
<b>Dow Jones</b>	26143	-14	<b>-0.1</b>
<b>S&amp;P 500</b>	2888	0.1	<b>0.0</b>
<b>NASDAQ</b>	7947	-17	<b>-0.2</b>
<b>FTSE 100</b>	7418	-4	<b>-0.1</b>
<b>DAX 30</b>	11935	29	<b>0.3</b>
<b>Shanghai Comp</b>	3190	-52	<b>-1.6</b>

## Overseas Markets Commentary

Caution appeared to prevail across most major European and US equities markets overnight, ahead of a flurry of post-settlement speeches from US Federal Reserve officials and the pending commencement of major earnings season, amid falling key commodities prices.

**China – March trade balance – 1pm AEST**

**RBA – six-monthly financial stability review – 11.30am AEST**

## Today's Stock Watch

### IPH Ltd (IPH) / Xenith IP Group (XIP) / QANTM Intellectual Property (QIP)

XIP 19.99% shareholder IPH and XIP have agreed a scheme of arrangement by which IPH will acquire the balance of XIP.

### Navitas Ltd (NVT)

Australia's Foreign Investment Review Board (FIRB) has confirmed no opposition to the proposed BGH consortium acquisition of NVT.

### Ramsay Health Care (RHC)

RHC subsidiary Ramsay Générale de Santé (RGdS) achieved 90.66% take up in the €625M, €16.46-per-share rights issue conducted to refinance the Capio acquisition.

In addition, as a result of the issue and RHC's participation, RHC holds 52.53% of RGdS, against the previous 50.91%.

### Silver Chef (SIV)

SIV has established an exclusivity agreement with Next Capital which is conducting further due diligence after presenting SIV with an indicative, conditional takeover at a minimum \$1.00 per share.

In association, SIV has also lodged a capital management update.

SIV recouped 16.4% yesterday, settling at 99.5c.

### Animoca Brands (AB1)

Planning to outlay \$A850,000 in shares and cash to acquire 75% of Hong Kong-headquartered game developer Skytree Digital.

### Smartgroup Corporation (SIQ)

Trading ex-dividend (20c) today.

## Resources

### OZ Minerals (OZL)

WA West Musgrave Nebo and Babel nickel-copper deposits resources newly estimated at a total 238Mt @ 0.35% Ni, 0.38% Cu & 129ppm Co, for 838,000t of nickel and 908,000t of copper.

## Energy

### Caltex Australia (CTX)

March refiner margins, including Lytton refinery comments, lodged this morning.

March production sales fell to 473ML from 549ML in February.



The US and South Korea presidents met in Washington, prompting threats from North Korea's leader.

Meanwhile in Sudan, the military pushed out the north east African nation's president of almost 30 years, and announced a two-year transition to new leadership.

This expanded talk of extended unrest fears in Algeria, also.

Back in Washington, for International Monetary Fund (IMF) and World Bank Spring meetings, the IMF's MD and Bank of England governor both expressed relief UK had been granted another opportunity to secure optimal arrangements for its planned separation from the European Union (EU).

Overnight data releases included US March producer prices which surprised on the upside, rising 0.6% for the month and 2.2% year-on-year, against 0.1% and 1.9% respective gains in February.

Weekly new unemployment claims fell by 8000.

Among other data releases, **Germany's** March CPI growth was confirmed in a final reading as 0.4% for the month, the same as for February.

Year-on-year, March CPI rose 1.3%, against 1.5% for February.

In **France**, inflation grew 0.8% during March following no change in February.

France's year-on-year inflation was reported at 1.1%, following 1.3% for February.

**Tonight** in the **US**, March export and import prices and a preliminary March University of Michigan consumer sentiment reading are due.

In addition, the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and World Bank spring meetings officially commence in Washington.

Elsewhere, euro zone February industrial production is anticipated.

JPMorgan Chase, Infosys, PNC Financial Services, Toho and Wells Fargo are among stocks scheduled to report earnings.

HSBC is expected to provide a trading update.

In overnight corporate news, **Amazon** and **Microsoft** were named by US Defense as the remaining contenders to supply cloud services under a contract estimated to be worth up to \$US10B.

This dulled perceived **Oracle** and **IBM** prospects.

Grains trader **Archer Daniels Midland** revealed redundancies were likely before mid-year, due to ongoing restructuring.

**Costco** reported 20.6% March growth in comparable online sales.

**Walt Disney** streaming plans, detailed during an investor day post-US settlement, are expected to influence some trade tonight.

### Commodities

COMMODITY	CLOSE	\$US/	+/-	%
<b>Gold (NY) (Jun)</b>	<b>1293.3</b>	oz	-20.6	<b>-1.6</b>
<b>Silver (NY) (May)</b>	14.867	oz	-0.377	<b>-2.5</b>
<b>Gold (LON)</b>	1305	oz	2	0.2
<b>Platinum</b>	892	oz	-10	<b>-1.1</b>
<b>WTI Crude (May)</b>	<b>63.58</b>	bbl	-1.03	<b>-1.6</b>
<b>Brent Crude (Jun)</b>	<b>70.78</b>	bbl	-0.95	<b>-1.3</b>
<b>Iron Ore</b> (CHN port 62%)	<b>95.65</b>	t	1.04	<b>1.1</b>
<b>Copper</b> (LME,3mth,PM)	<b>6406</b>	t	-64	<b>-1.0</b>

## Pre-Open Announcements

### MGC Pharmaceuticals (\* MXC)

UK controlled drug import licence in hand, enabling MXC distributor Leni to import CannEpil into the UK.

### MMA Offshore (\* MRM)

MRM has appointed deputy CEO David Ross as CEO, effective 1 July.

Mr Ross will be based in Singapore.

Current MRM CEO and MD will remain MD, based in Australia. MRM is also planning to appoint another independent director.

### Macquarie Telecom Group (MAQ)

Company secretary Matthew Healy is planning to resign, effective 1 June, after 15 years with MAQ.

MAQ has decided to appoint Michael Gold to take over from Mr Healy.

### Nuheara Ltd (NUH)

Launching a site enabling customers to assess online their hearing needs, and in association, optimal recommended hearing support.

## Resources

### Grange Resources (GRR)

Anticipating reduced Tasmania Savage River iron project production rates for the first half of calendar 2019.

This is due to pit stage completion being delayed on account of high rainfall and late-2018 wall instability.

Additional development details lodged post-trade yesterday.

### Saracen Mineral Holdings (SAR)

Planning to lodge the company's March quarter activities report 17 April (Wednesday next week), and to host a live webcast teleconference that day, commencing 11am AEST.

Teleconference and webcast access details lodged post-trade yesterday.

## Energy

### Buru Energy (BRU)

Onshore WA Canning Basin Ungani 6 drilling is expected to commence during the first week in May.

Drilling (to the top of the Ungani reservoir) and casing is expected to take three weeks.

Ungani-7 will be next, before the same rig (NGD Loc 405) drills Yakka Munga 1.

Additional information lodged post-trade yesterday.

### Central Petroleum (CTP)

CTP's application to have Northern Territory RL3 and RL4 year one commitments suspended has been successful.



<b>Nickel</b>	12935	t	-275	-2.1
<b>Aluminium</b>	1859	t	-9	-0.5
<b>Lead</b>	1922	t	-31	-1.6
<b>Zinc</b>	2869	t	-6	-0.2
<b>Tin</b>	20635	t	-215	-1.0
<b>CBT Wheat (May)</b>	<b>4.67</b>	bshl	0.05	<b>1.1</b>

### Commodities Commentary

**Oil** – Libya's National Oil Corporation head was reported overnight to have confirmed that the latest domestic military conflict could adversely impact the nation's oil revenue stream by the most in eight years.

In addition, the **International Energy Agency's** (IEA) monthly report, published overnight, confirmed figures from earlier in the week, that **Venezuela's** oil output had dropped during March, the IEA estimating to ~870,000bbl/d.

This represented a daily 600,000bbl year-on-year drop, prompting renewed speculation that OPEC could officially lift production levels from June.

Further, the IEA pointed out scenarios both supporting and threatening international growth demand.

The IEA reported OECD demand alone fell a daily 300,000bbl during the December quarter 2018, the first OECD pull back since 2014.

A weekly US petroleum rig count report is due tonight.

**Gold** – prices dropped overnight, despite reports of heightened geopolitical tensions and ongoing warnings of risks to international economic growth.

The ICE \$US index turned 0.2% higher, amid reactions to the Federal Reserve's more moderate-than-anticipated March policy meeting minutes and weekly new unemployment claims which came in beneath 200,000 for the first time since October 1969.

In other precious metals news, a report based on the *Silver Institute World Silver Survey* estimated 2018 international silver demand 4% higher for the year and mine output 2% lower.

**Base metals** – data releases, broadening global economic slowdown warnings and a stronger \$US toyed with overnight base metals trade.

In addition, conference attendees in China were warned *nickel* supply could significantly fall below demand in the event projects in Indonesia were unable to proceed as their developers wished.

Yesterday, **China** reported 2.3% year-on-year March **CPI** growth, but a 0.4% fall for the month.

**Producer prices** improved 0.4% year-on-year, against a 0.1% rise reported at the end of February.

March **trade** figures, due **today**, will influence at least some of tonight's trade.

### Exchange Rates

CURRENCIES	LAST	+/-	%
<b>AUD – USD</b>	0.7126	0.0003	<b>0.05</b>
<b>EUR – USD</b>	1.1262	0.0008	<b>0.07,</b>

### Trading Halts

Company	Code	Resuming
Aus Tin Mining	ANW	12 Apr
Gage Roads Brewing Co	GRB	12 Apr
Galena Mining	G1A	12 Apr
Integrated Payment Technologies	IP1	12 Apr
ParaZero Ltd	PRZ	12 Apr
Bigtincan Holdings	BTH	15 Apr
De Grey Mining	DEG	15 Apr
DigitalX Ltd	DCC	15 Apr
OpenDNA Ltd	OPN	15 Apr
Orion Minerals	ORN	15 Apr
Paradigm Biopharmaceuticals	PAR	15 Apr
Perseus Mining	PRU	15 Apr
Revasum, Inc	RVS	15 Apr
Rumble Resources	RTR	15 Apr
ServTech Global Holdings	SVT	15 Apr
Tinybeans Group	TNY	15 Apr
Greenpower Energy	GPP	16 Apr

### Suspensions (select)

Company	Code	Since
AirXpanders Inc	AXP	2 Apr
Alchemia Ltd	ACL	29 Mar
First Growth Funds	FGF	4 Apr
Fortune Asia Group	FYA	5 Apr
(The) Go2 People	GO2	10 Apr
IAB Holdings	IAB	29 Mar
Ookami Ltd	OOK	5 Apr
Orinoco Gold	OGX	2 Apr
Stemify Ltd	SF1	1 Apr
US Residential Fund	USR	29 Mar
Vivid Technology	VIV	25 Mar
YPB Group	YPB	4 Apr

### Ex-Dividends

Code	Ex-Div	Div (c)	Franking (%)	Yield (%)
<b>SIQ</b>	Today	<b>20</b>	100	5.18
PL8	Mon	0.5	100	5.74
TPM	Mon	2	100	0.57
KAT	Tue	0.5	100	3.69
SOL	Wed	24	100	2.31
KGN	Thu	6.1	100	1.44
NHC	Thu	8	100	5.05
TRA	Thu	3.82	85	7.10
UNV	Thu	2	0	2.63
1AL	23 Apr	1.5	0	5.91
NWH	23 Apr	2	100	0.76

**Australian Data Today**

RBA	Financial stability review	Apr
RBA	Card transactions	Mar

**US Data Tonight**

Export & import prices	Mar
Uni of Michigan consumer sentiment (prelim)	Apr

**Other Overseas Data Today & Tonight**

China	Trade balance	Mar
Euro zone	Industrial production	Feb

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RIC	23 Apr	1.5	100	3.10
EAS	24 Apr	1	100	2.12
MFF	26 Apr	1.5	100	1.00
CDM	29 Apr	3	100	4.57
SST	29 Apr	42.39	0	1.87

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