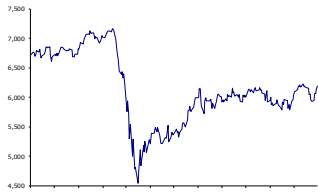
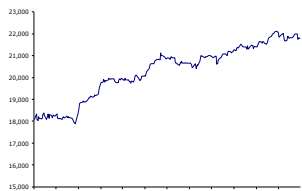


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**Global Wrap – 8 November 2020**

World Markets	8/11/2020	1/11/2020	Wkly Chg	Mthly Chg	Yearly Chg
ASX 200	6190	5928	4.4%	0.2%	11.7%
S&P 500	3509	3270	7.3%	0.6%	56.2%
FTSE 100	5910	5577	6.0%	-0.4%	-14.7%
DAX30	12480	11556	8.0%	-4.2%	-5.6%
Shanghai Composite	3312	3225	2.7%	-0.6%	3.0%
Nikkei 225	24325	23295	4.4%	3.5%	29.6%
Hang Seng	25713	24107	6.7%	4.2%	12.5%
<b>Currency</b>					
AUD/USD	0.7260	0.7055	2.9%	3.3%	5.8%
<b>Commodities</b>					
Oil (\$/bbl)	37.1	37.0	0.3%	-9.3%	-35.2%
Gas (\$/gal)	3.0	3.5	-12.6%	-9.0%	15.2%
Iron Ore (\$/t)	0.0	53.9	-100.0%	-100.0%	-100.0%
Copper (\$/t)	6939	6695	3.6%	3.5%	18.9%
Lead (\$/t)	1838	1790	2.7%	3.8%	-21.1%
Zinc (\$/t)	2548	2525	0.9%	6.2%	-7.2%
Aluminium (\$/t)	1892	1821	3.9%	3.0%	9.2%
Nickel (\$/t)	15532	15256	1.8%	2.8%	36.6%
Tin (\$/t)	18385	17650	4.2%	0.9%	-14.1%
Gold (\$/oz)	1952	1880	3.8%	2.3%	66.5%
Silver (\$/oz)	25.7	23.6	8.5%	5.2%	50.1%
Platinum (\$/oz)	899	848	6.0%	4.8%	-4.1%
Wheat (\$/t)	601.750	598.500	0.5%	0.8%	47.4%

Source: Iress

**Key points**

1. Week in review
2. Friday's markets
3. What to watch next week

**Week in review**

**In the US**, stocks closed mostly flat on Friday as traders looked for clarity around the presidential and congressional election results.

The **S&P 500** ended the session down about 1 point at 3,509.44. The **Nasdaq Composite** rose less than 0.1% to 11,895.23. The **Dow Jones Industrial** dipped 66.78 points, or 0.2%, to end the day at 28,323.40.

Energy and financials were the worst-performing sectors in the S&P 500, falling 2.1% and 0.8%, respectively, CNBC reported. UnitedHealth led the Dow lower with a decline of nearly 2%.

Despite the uncertainty around the presidential vote, Wall Street notched its best weekly performance since April. The S&P 500 and Nasdaq jumped 7.3% and 9%, respectively, for the week. The Dow rose 6.9% this week. The S&P 500 also posted its biggest election week gain since 1932.

Victories by Republicans in several key Senate races, which lower the odds of the potential for higher taxes and stronger regulations, have been cited by Wall Street strategists as a reason for the rally in stocks. However, Republicans have not yet won the necessary seats to control the Senate, according to NBC News projections, with two potential run-off elections in Georgia.

Meanwhile the Labor Department said the **US unemployment rate** fell to 6.9% in October from 7.9%. Economists polled by Dow Jones expected the rate to dip to 7.7%. The US economy also added 638,000 jobs last month, topping an estimate of 530,000. This latest jobs report shows the US economy is rebounding quickly from COVID-related shutdowns in the spring.

In Japan, the **Nikkei 225** closed 0.91% higher at 24,325.23 while the Topix index added 0.52% to finish its trading day at 1,658.49. **South Korea's Kospi** edged 0.11% higher to close at 2,416.50.

European stocks closed higher on Thursday as investors closely monitored vote-counting in key battleground US states that will decide the election.

The **pan-European Stoxx 600** provisionally ended up around 1%, with media stocks adding 2.7% to lead gains while oil and gas stocks bucked the trend, down 0.2%.

Earnings released early Thursday by French bank Societe Generale showed a net income of 862 million euros (\$1.011 billion) for the third quarter, beating analysts who had estimated a net income of 458 million euros for the quarter, according to Refinitiv.

Commerzbank shares dipped more than 5% after the German lender swung to a third-quarter net loss amid the pandemic and restructuring efforts, while [ING Groep](#) shares fell nearly 6% after its third-quarter earnings.

British software firm [Aveva Group](#) also dropped more than 5% after reporting a slide in third-quarter revenue.

The **Australian sharemarket** finished Friday's session at a near three-week high as investors bunkered down amid uncertainty over the US election.

The local benchmark added 50.6 points, or 0.8%, to close at 6190.2 and cap its second-best week since May amid improved metals prices, The Sydney Morning Herald reported.

In all, the ASX 200 added 4.4% in a week buoyed by the increasingly likely prospect of a Democrat White House that is hamstrung in the Senate by Republicans.

The outcome has been dubbed by some analysts a "fairytale result" for equities with Biden's planned tax rises and regulatory reforms now likely off the table, though a more statesmanlike attitude to foreign policy and global trade expected.

BHP finished 1.3% ahead at \$34.67, Rio Tinto rose 1.6% to \$93.40, and Newcrest Mining added 3.5% to \$30.72.

Fortescue Metals missed out on the rally, falling 0.5% to \$16.55.

Wagering giant Tabcorp was the best performer on the index, rising 15.8% to \$4.10 even after hosing down speculation it was being circled by private capital.

Macquarie Group rose 2.3% to \$135.45 on a better than expected first-half result, and News Corp rose 13.7% to \$21.63 after starting the fiscal year on the front foot.

Further boosting sentiment was the Reserve Bank's improved outlook for the Australian economy, with the central bank upgrading a range of forecasts including household consumption, unemployment and public demand.

#### Central Bank Watch

The **Reserve Bank of Australia (RBA)** released its monetary policy statement for November.

The central bank said the coronavirus pandemic will have "long-lasting effects" on the Australian economy, and GDP will "unlikely" return to its pre-pandemic level till the end of 2021.

"Overall, the economy is expected to be noticeably smaller at the end of the forecast period than anticipated prior to the pandemic, partially because of a sharp slowing in population growth," the RBA said.

The Reserve Bank of Australia (RBA) significantly expanded its quantitative easing program as one of the last remaining levers to stimulate the Australian economy. The buying of \$100 billion state and federal government bonds with maturities of five to ten years greatly exceeded market expectations.

In line with **consensus** and following the trend from global central banks, the RBA cut the official cash rate to 10 basis points, the three-year rate to 10 basis points and the interest rate under the term funding facility to 10 basis points. Infrastructure, property and utility companies stand to benefit, while financials and the Australian dollar will suffer.

Following that release, the Australian dollar changed hands at \$0.7261, after seeing an earlier high of \$0.7284.

Meanwhile, the US Federal Reserve said Wednesday stateside that it kept interest rates unchanged near zero, noting in its post-meeting statement that economic activity remains "well below" levels prior to the coronavirus pandemic.

The **UK's central bank** on Thursday held interest rates steady as England enters a fresh period of national lockdown measures expected to hit the country's economic recovery.



Along with maintaining its main lending rate at 0.1%, the Bank of England's (BOE) Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) also voted to expand its target stock of asset purchases to £895 billion.

**What to watch next week**

The major focus for investors will be the more detailed outcomes of the US election, particularly in the Senate. Investors will also be watching the release of Chinese CPI on Monday, US CPI on Thursday and European GDP on Friday.

**Economic Calendar 9/11/2020 – 13/11/2020**

Monday November 09 2020		Actual	Previous	Consensus	Forecast	
03:00 PM	DE Balance of Trade SEP		€12.8B		€27.9B	
Tuesday November 10 2020		Actual	Previous	Consensus	Forecast	
08:30 AM	AU NAB Business Confidence OCT		-4		-3	
09:30 AM	CN Inflation Rate YoY OCT		1.7%	0.7%	1%	
03:00 PM	GB Claimant Count Change OCT		28K		36K	
06:00 PM	DE ZEW Economic Sentiment Index NOV		56.1	50.8	45	
Wednesday November 11 2020		Actual	Previous	Consensus	Forecast	
07:30 AM	AU Westpac Consumer Confidence Index NOV		105		108	
07:30 AM	AU Westpac Consumer Confidence Change NOV		11.9%		2.9%	
Thursday November 12 2020		Actual	Previous	Consensus	Forecast	
03:00 PM	GB Balance of Trade SEP		£1.4B		£ 0.83B	
03:00 PM	GB GDP Growth Rate QoQ Prel Q3		-19.8%		15.1%	
03:00 PM	GB GDP Growth Rate YoY Prel Q3		-21.5%		-12%	
09:00 PM	RU GDP Growth Rate YoY Prel Q3		-8%	-4.5%	-4%	
09:30 PM	US Core Inflation Rate YoY OCT		1.7%	1.8%	1.8%	
09:30 PM	US Inflation Rate YoY OCT		1.4%		1.5%	
Friday November 13 2020		Actual	Previous	Consensus	Forecast	
06:00 PM	EA GDP Growth Rate QoQ 2nd Est Q3		-11.8%	12.7%	12.7%	
06:00 PM	EA GDP Growth Rate YoY 2nd Est Q3		-14.8%	-4.3%	-4.3%	

## Economic Calendar 16/11/2020 – 20/11/2020

Monday November 16 2020		Actual	Previous	Consensus	Forecast
07:50 AM	JP GDP Growth Rate QoQ Prel Q3		-7.9%		3.8%
Tuesday November 17 2020		Actual	Previous	Consensus	Forecast
09:30 PM	US Retail Sales MoM OCT		1.9%		
Wednesday November 18 2020		Actual	Previous	Consensus	Forecast
07:50 AM	JP Balance of Trade OCT		¥675B		¥90B
03:00 PM	GB Inflation Rate YoY OCT		0.5%		
09:30 PM	CA Inflation Rate YoY OCT		0.5%		
Friday November 20 2020		Actual	Previous	Consensus	Forecast
07:30 AM	JP Inflation Rate YoY OCT		0.0%		
08:01 AM	GB GfK Consumer Confidence NOV		-31		-28
09:30 AM	CN Loan Prime Rate 1Y		3.85%		3.85%

Source: [www.tradingeconomics.com](http://www.tradingeconomics.com)

## All Ords Top 10 Week Ending 6 November 2020

10 Best Performing Stocks Weekly (%)			10 Worst Performing Stocks Weekly (%)		
TAH	TABCORP Holdings Ltd	24.6	PDL	Pendal Group Ltd	-8.0
FLT	Flight Centre Travel	24.4	FMG	Fortescue Metals Grp	-4.7
WEB	Webjet Limited	20.3	TWE	Treasury Wine Estate	-4.6
NWS	News Corp..	19.2	URW	Unibailrodawestfield	-3.8
APE	Eagers Automotive	16.5	OBL	Omni Bridgeway Ltd	-2.6
VCX	Vicinity Centres	15.7	SFR	Sandfire Resources	-2.5
RMS	Ramelius Resources	15.5	CUV	Clinuvel Pharmaceut.	-1.6
VOC	Vocus Group Ltd	15.1	COE	Cooper Energy Ltd	-1.6
ING	Inghams Group	14.7	ALD	Ampol Limited	-1.1
CTD	Corp Travel Limited	14.7	WBC	Westpac Banking Corp	-0.8

Source: IRESS

## S & P Indices Week Ending 6 November 2020

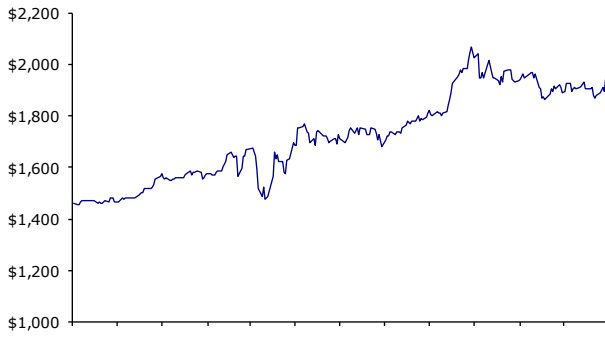
S&P Indices	8/11/2020	1/11/2020	Wkly Chg	Mthly Chg	Yearly Chg
S&P 200 Energy	6576	6334	3.8%	-1.2%	-26.0%
S&P 200 Materials	13941	13429	3.8%	-1.0%	40.8%
S&P 200 Industrials	5841	5487	6.4%	-0.7%	14.5%
S&P 200 Consumer Disc.	2838	2658	6.8%	0.5%	35.5%
S&P 200 Consumer Staples	12726	12464	2.1%	0.5%	48.7%
S&P 200 Healthcare	44841	42820	4.7%	0.8%	132.6%
S&P 200 Financials	4883	4744	2.9%	0.3%	-23.4%
S&P 200 Info Technology	2030	1921	5.7%	0.9%	161.1%
S&P 200 Telecommunicatic	1185	1124	5.4%	0.0%	-32.5%
S&P 200 Utilities	7014	6789	3.3%	-1.6%	-7.0%
S&P 200 Property Trusts	1391	1285	8.2%	2.6%	3.7%
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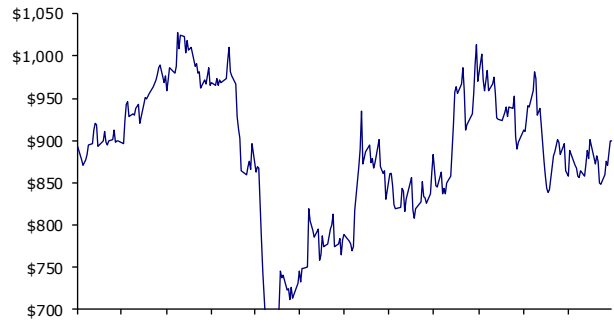


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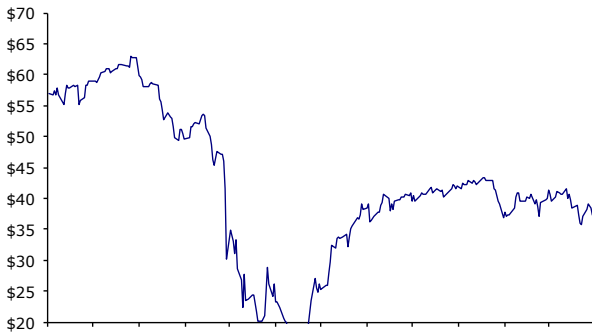
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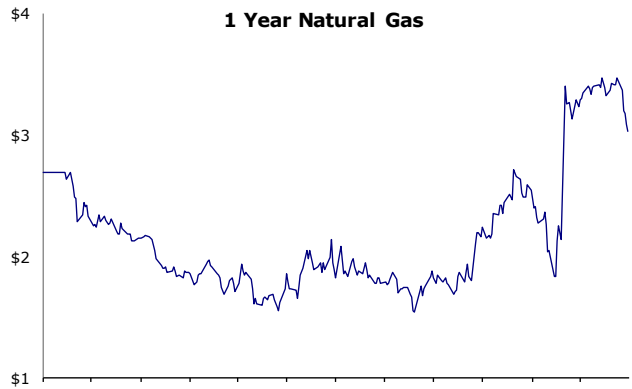
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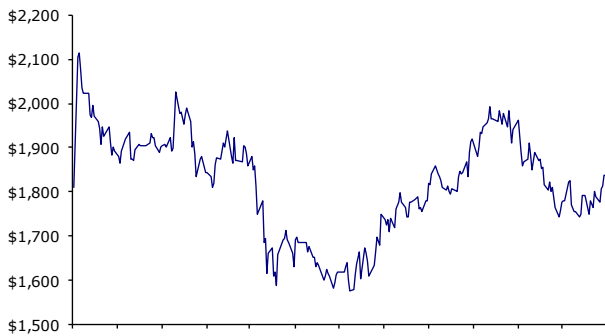
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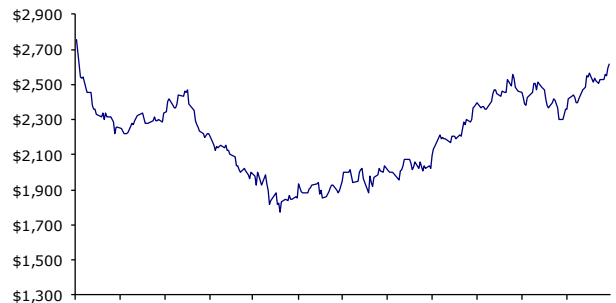
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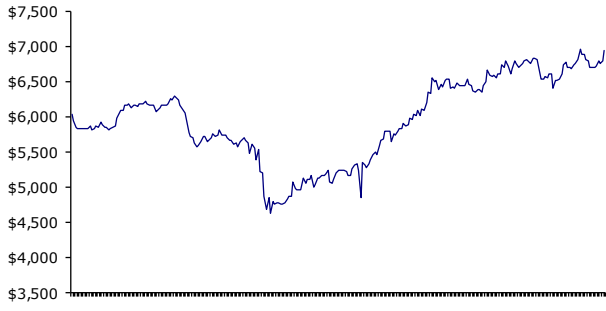


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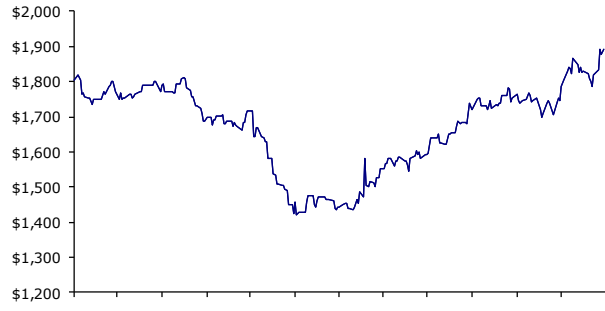




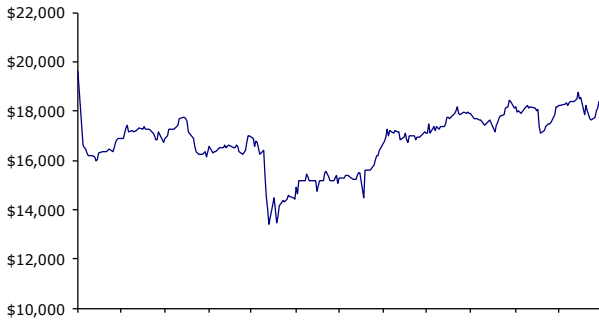
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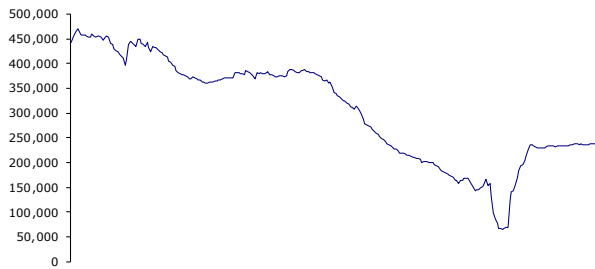


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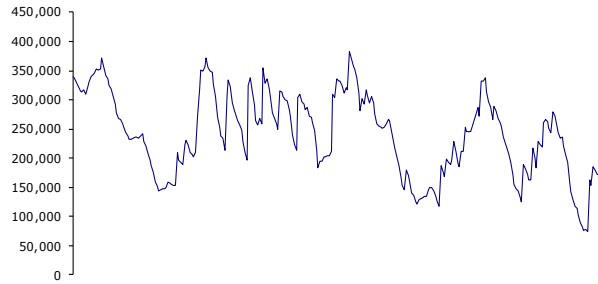


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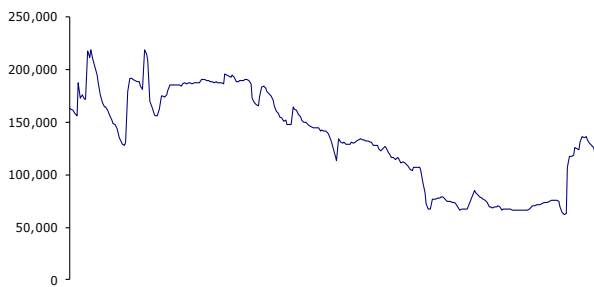
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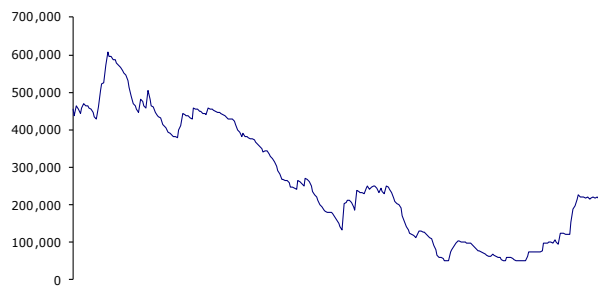
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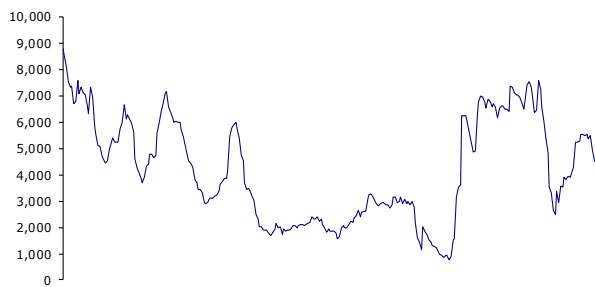
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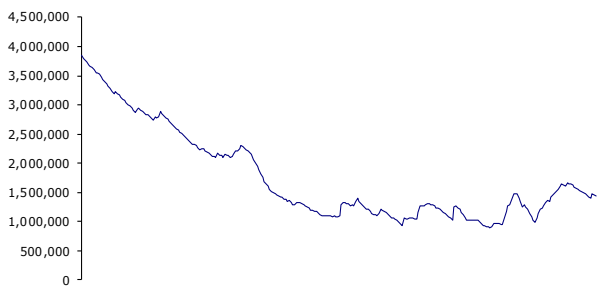
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**Tin LME Stockpiles - 5 Year**



**Aluminium LME Stockpiles - 5 Year**





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