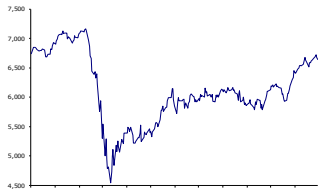
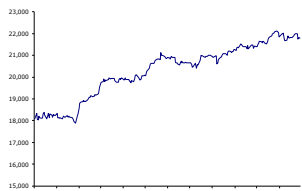


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Global Wrap – 13 December 2020

World Markets	13/12/2020	6/12/2020	Wkly Chg	Mthly Chg	Yearly Chg
ASX 200	6643	6634	0.1%	1.7%	19.8%
S&P 500	3663	3699	-1.0%	2.7%	63.1%
FTSE 100	6547	6550	-0.1%	2.5%	-5.6%
DAX30	13114	13299	-1.4%	-0.7%	-1.4%
Shanghai Composite	3347	3417	-2.0%	-0.5%	4.1%
Nikkei 225	26653	26547	0.4%	4.0%	42.0%
Hang Seng	26506	26836	-1.2%	-0.1%	15.9%
Currency					
AUD/USD	0.7535	0.7421	1.5%	1.2%	9.6%
Commodities					
Oil (\$/bbl)	46.6	45.6	2.1%	11.3%	-22.1%
Gas (\$/gal)	2.6	2.6	0.6%	-8.7%	14.1%
Iron Ore (\$/t)	0.0	53.9	-100.0%	-100.0%	-100.0%
Copper (\$/t)	7741	7742	0.0%	9.3%	32.6%
Lead (\$/t)	2059	2027	1.6%	7.2%	-11.7%
Zinc (\$/t)	2816	2749	2.5%	3.1%	2.6%
Aluminium (\$/t)	2022	2028	-0.3%	2.2%	16.8%
Nickel (\$/t)	17192	16020	7.3%	9.2%	51.2%
Tin (\$/t)	19550	19060	2.6%	2.5%	-8.6%
Gold (\$/oz)	1840	1836	0.2%	-1.8%	56.9%
Silver (\$/oz)	24.0	24.2	-0.7%	-1.7%	40.6%
Platinum (\$/oz)	1022	1073	-4.8%	7.5%	9.0%
Wheat (\$/t)	608.250	564.750	7.7%	1.7%	49.0%

Source: Iress

Key points

- 1. Iron ore rally buoys local market**
- 2. Brexit and US stimulus uncertainty dampens international markets**
- 3. What to watch next week**

In the US the S&P 500 fell on Friday, wrapping up a losing week, as the outlook for additional fiscal stimulus remained uncertain, CNBC reported.

The broader market index pulled back by 0.1% to close at 3,683.46, and the Nasdaq Composite dipped 0.2% to 12,377.87. The Dow Jones Industrial Average eked out a gain of 47.11 points, or 0.2%, to 30,046.37 as shares of Disney rallied.

Shares of companies hardest hit by the pandemic recession fell on Friday. Carnival cruise firm dropped 4.5%, United Airlines slipped 2.6%, and Gap lost 3.6%. Hyatt Hotels traded lower by about 1.4%.

Tesla shares, meanwhile, fell 2.7% after a surprise downgrade by Jefferies investment bank.



Without fresh stimulus, millions of Americans could lose unemployment benefits in the new year.

Meanwhile, [weekly jobless claims jumped](#) last week to 853,000, the highest total since September 19, as new lockdown restrictions weighed on businesses amid rising coronavirus cases.

Sentiment was downbeat on Friday even as a key Food and Drug Administration advisory panel recommended the approval of Pfizer and BioNTech's coronavirus vaccine for emergency use. The recommendation marked the last step before the FDA gives the final approval to broadly distribute the first doses throughout the US.

Bucking the negative trend was Disney. On Thursday, the company said its Disney+ service has 86.8 million subscribers and expects have between 230 million to 260 million subscribers by 2024. The stock rose 13.6% on Friday.

Both the Dow and S&P 500 posted their first weekly declines in three weeks, losing 0.6% and 1%, respectively. The Nasdaq dropped 0.7% this week.

Asia-Pacific markets traded mixed on Friday as investors kept an eye on negotiations over additional fiscal stimulus in the US.

South Korea's Kospi index rose 0.86% to 2,770.06. Government data released Friday showed the country's exports in the first 10 days of December jumped 26.9% from a year ago thanks to a sales boost in major products such as semiconductors, Reuters reported.

In Japan, the Nikkei 225 declined 0.39% to 26,652.52 while the Topix index rose 0.33% to 1,782.01.

Hong Kong's Hang Seng index advanced 0.44% in afternoon trade. Chinese mainland shares declined: The Shanghai composite was down 0.77% at 3,347.19, the Shenzhen composite lost 1.31% to 2,223.94 and the Shenzhen component fell 1.28% to 13,555.14.

Major indexes in India and Singapore traded up in the afternoon.

European markets closed lower Friday as investors monitored stalling US fiscal stimulus talks and the rapidly approaching deadline for Brexit negotiations.

The pan-European Stoxx 600 provisionally closed down 0.7%, with telecoms shedding 2.9% to lead losses as almost all sectors and major bourses slid into negative territory.

In other negotiations, the EU will finally be able to proceed with its plan to raise 750 billion euros (USD 908 billion) from public markets to support the bloc's economic recovery efforts, on top of the 1.074 trillion euros (USD 1.3 trillion) to be spent between 2021 and 2027.

Hungary and Poland on Thursday dropped vetoes to a proposal linking the disbursement of funds with adherence to European values.

In individual share price action, Hellofresh shares climbed over 6% after the meal kit delivery company set new mid-term targets.

At the bottom of the European blue chip index, Rolls-Royce shares fell almost 8% after the British airplane engine manufacturer downgraded its cash outflow forecast and warned of a challenging outlook.

Meanwhile, Swedish telecommunications giant [Ericsson](#) slipped 4% after filing a lawsuit in the US against [Samsung](#) in a dispute over royalty payments and patent licenses, according to Reuters.

In Australia a rolling iron ore rally helped the local market record a sixth straight weekly rise even after heavy losses for biotech giant CSL sent the index stumbling into the weekend, The Sydney Morning Herald reported.

The benchmark ASX 200 slipped 40.5 points, or 0.6%, on Friday to finish at 6642.6 and back further away from Wednesday's nine-month high.

Despite back-to-back losses to end the week, the index still managed to add 0.1% for a sixth week of gains. The market last achieved this in May and June, when it was in the throes of its coronavirus rebound rally.

This time around it is because of a hot run for iron ore - Australia's biggest export.



The bulk metal hit more than seven-year highs of USD 156 a tonne on strong demand from China's steel mills and lower supply from Brazilian rival Vale, pushing the trio of Rio Tinto, BHP and Fortescue Metals higher again.

Fortescue rose 2% to a new record high close of AUD 22.95, meaning it added 11% over the week and made chairman and founder Andrew 'Twiggy' Forrest AUD 2.6 billion richer.

BHP closed 0.8% higher at AUD 42.82, its best since April 2011, while Rio Tinto finished 0.5% ahead at AUD 116, it's highest since May 2008.

Tech and energy shares also rose on Friday.

CSL was easily the heaviest weight in the final session of the week, dropping 3.2% to AUD 291.53 on surprise news it would be shelving its efforts with the University of Queensland to develop a homegrown COVID-19 vaccine.

In a statement to the ASX, the AUD 137 billion blood plasma giant said testing had thrown up HIV 'false positives' in several trial participants.

The wider ASX 200 healthcare sector also copped a beating with ResMed, Sonic Healthcare, Ramsay Health Care and Cochlear in the red. Fisher and Paykel finished 2.5% higher at AUD 30.71.

Next week investors will be watching Brexit and vaccine developments.

Additionally on Tuesday the Reserve Bank of Australia monthly minutes will be released as well as Chinese retail sales data.

Wednesday is a big day for US data with the announcement of retail sales data and the Federal Reserve's interest rate decision.

Australia's jobs data will be released on Thursday.

**Economic Calendar 14/12/2020 – 18/12/2020**

Monday December 14 2020		Actual	Previous	Consensus	Forecast	
07:50 AM	JP Tankan Large Manufacturers Index Q4		-27		-17	
Tuesday December 15 2020		Actual	Previous	Consensus	Forecast	
03:00 PM	GB Claimant Count Change NOV		-29.8K		30K	
Wednesday December 16 2020		Actual	Previous	Consensus	Forecast	
07:50 AM	JP Balance of Trade NOV		¥872.9B		¥-810B	
03:00 PM	GB Inflation Rate YoY NOV		0.7%		0.8%	
09:30 PM	CA Inflation Rate YoY NOV		0.7%		0.8%	
09:30 PM	US Retail Sales MoM NOV		0.3%	-0.1%	0%	
Friday December 18 2020		Actual	Previous	Consensus	Forecast	
07:30 AM	JP Inflation Rate YoY NOV		-0.4%		-0.3%	
08:01 AM	GB GfK Consumer Confidence DEC		-33		-28	
05:00 PM	DE Ifo Business Climate DEC		90.7	90.2	90	

Economic Calendar 21/12/2020 – 25/12/2020

Monday December 21 2020		Actual	Previous	Consensus	Forecast	
09:30 AM	CN Loan Prime Rate 1Y		3.85%		3.7%	
Tuesday December 22 2020		Actual	Previous	Consensus	Forecast	
03:00 PM	DE GfK Consumer Confidence JAN		-6.7			
Wednesday December 23 2020		Actual	Previous	Consensus	Forecast	
09:30 PM	US Personal Income MoM NOV		-0.7%			
09:30 PM	US Personal Spending MoM NOV		0.5%			
Thursday December 24 2020		Actual	Previous	Consensus	Forecast	
09:30 PM	US Durable Goods Orders MoM NOV		1.3%			

Source: www.tradingeconomics.com

**All Ords Top 10 Week Ending 11 December 2020**

10 Best Performing Stocks Weekly (%)			10 Worst Performing Stocks Weekly (%)		
IGO	IGO Limited	25.4	APX	Appen Limited	-14.5
LNK	Link Admin Hldg	12.2	IEL	Idp Education Ltd	-8.9
FMG	Fortescue Metals Grp	11.4	WEB	Webjet Limited	-8.7
VEA	Viva Energy Group	9.2	PDL	Pendal Group Ltd	-8.2
WGX	Westgold Resources.	8.6	COH	Cochlear Limited	-7.1
HLS	Healius	8.3	TNE	Technology One	-7.0
MTS	Metcash Limited	7.5	VUK	Virgin Money Uk PLC	-6.6
APT	Afterpay Limited	6.9	Z1P	Zip Co Ltd.	-6.1
NSR	National Storage	6.8	CWY	Cleanaway Waste Ltd	-5.8
WSA	Western Areas Ltd	6.6	TPG	TPG Telecom Limited	-5.6

Source: IRESS

S & P Indices Week Ending 11 December 2020

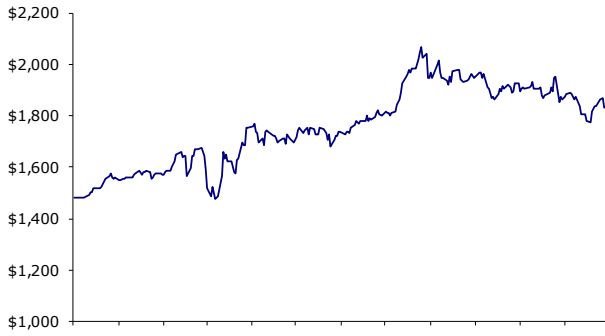
S&P Indices	13/12/2020	6/12/2020	Wkly Chg	Mthly Chg	Yearly Chg
S&P 200 Energy	8408	8311	1.2%	7.3%	-5.4%
S&P 200 Materials	15695	15379	2.1%	9.8%	58.5%
S&P 200 Industrials	6078	6173	-1.5%	-3.4%	19.1%
S&P 200 Consumer Disc.	2864	2898	-1.2%	-1.5%	36.8%
S&P 200 Consumer Staples	12729	12546	1.5%	-0.6%	48.8%
S&P 200 Healthcare	43083	43448	-0.8%	-6.2%	123.5%
S&P 200 Financials	5527	5538	-0.2%	2.7%	-13.2%
S&P 200 Info Technology	2071	2009	3.1%	4.5%	166.3%
S&P 200 Telecommunicatic	1262	1274	-1.0%	-1.5%	-28.1%
S&P 200 Utilities	6845	6833	0.2%	-0.5%	-9.2%
S&P 200 Property Trusts	1438	1468	-2.0%	-1.4%	7.2%
S&P 200 Financials ex PT	6165	6177	-0.2%	2.7%	-13.2%

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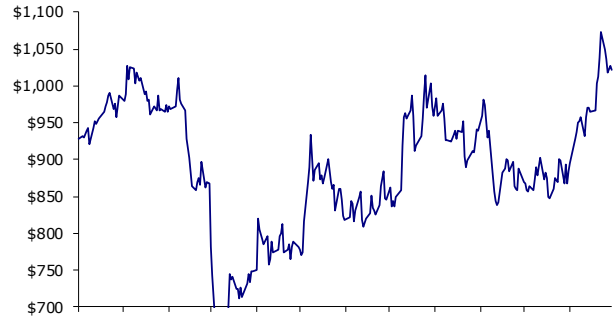


1 Year Commodity Price Charts

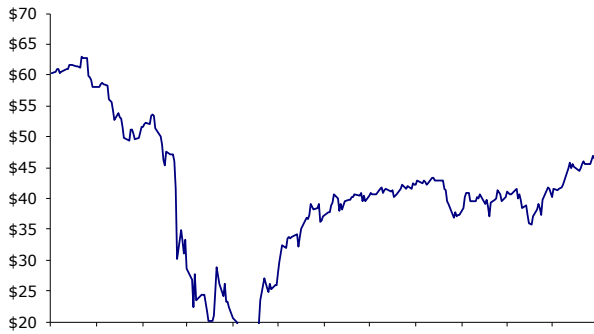
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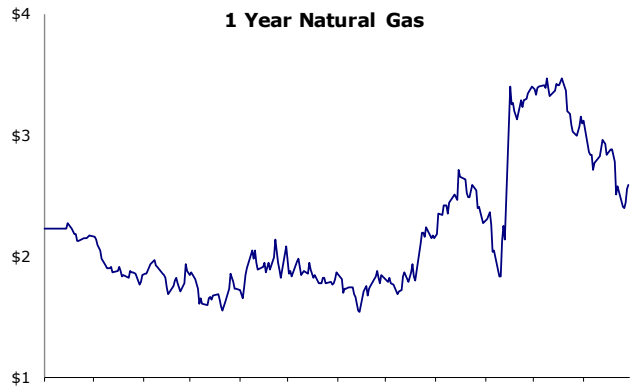
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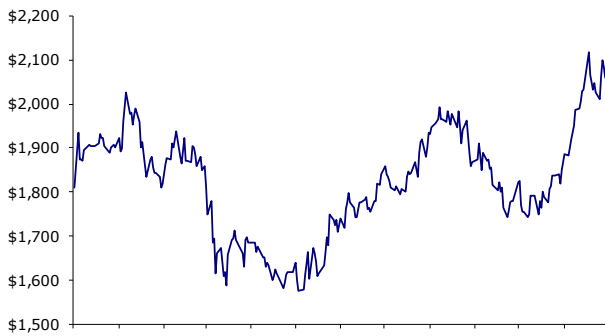
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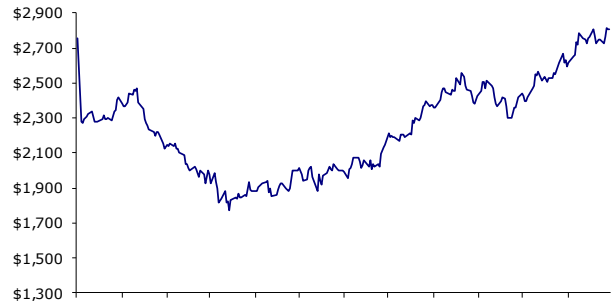
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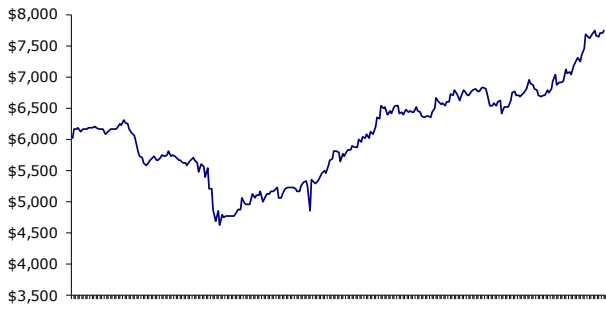


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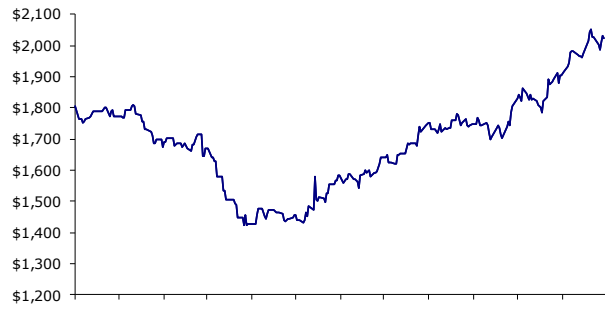




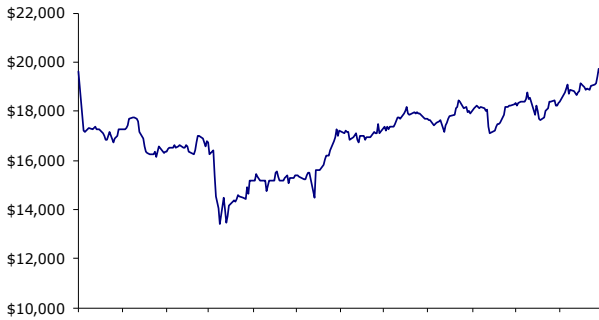
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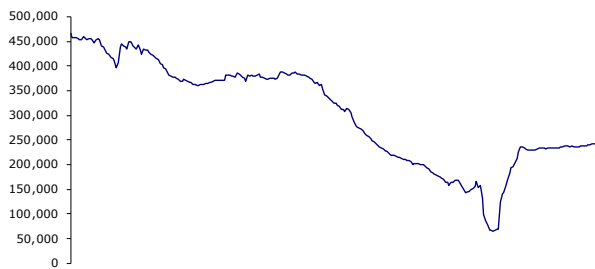


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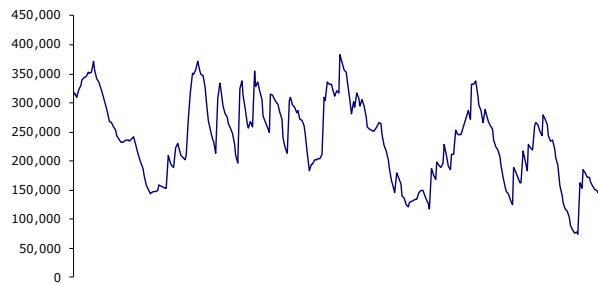


5 Year Metals Stockpiles

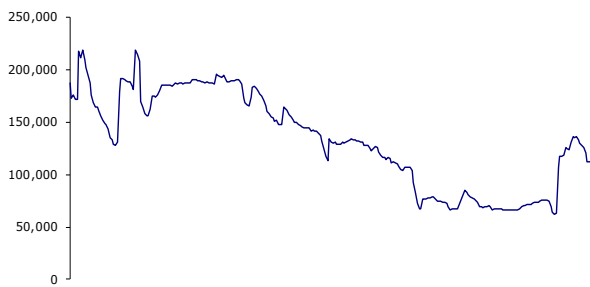
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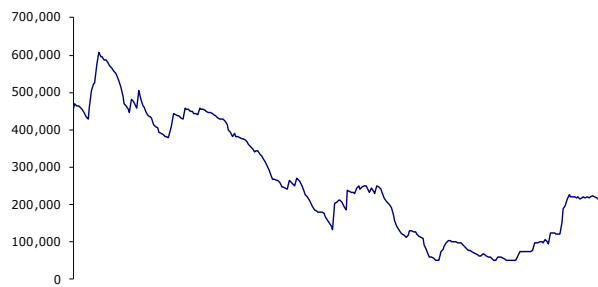
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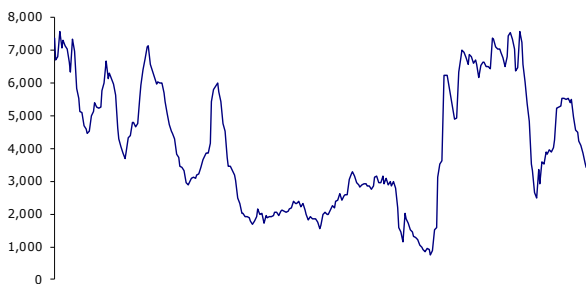
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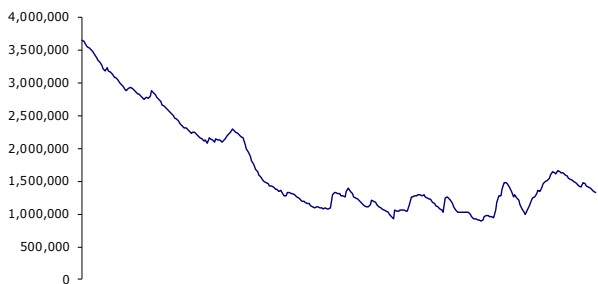
Zinc LME Stockpiles - 5 Year



Tin LME Stockpiles - 5 Year



Aluminium LME Stockpiles - 5 Year





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