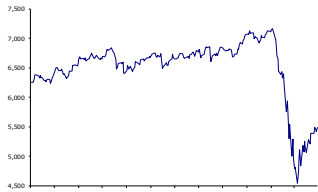


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Global Wrap – 19 April 2020

World Markets	19/04/2020	12/04/2020	Wkly Chg	Mthly Chg	Yearly Chg
ASX 200	5488	5387	1.9%	9.8%	-1.0%
S&P 500	2875	2790	3.0%	16.1%	28.0%
FTSE 100	5787	5843	-1.0%	1.7%	-16.5%
DAX30	10626	10565	0.6%	7.6%	-13.9%
Shanghai Composite	2838	2783	2.0%	2.7%	-11.7%
Nikkei 225	19897	19043	4.5%	6.6%	6.0%
Hang Seng	24380	24300	0.3%	3.6%	6.6%
Currency					
AUD/USD	0.6362	0.6384	-0.4%	0.4%	-11.1%
Commodities					
Oil (\$/bbl)	18.4	22.4	-17.5%	-20.3%	-71.2%
Gas (\$/gal)	1.9	1.7	9.8%	14.7%	-26.4%
Iron Ore (\$/t)	0.0	53.9	-100.0%	-100.0%	-100.0%
Copper (\$/t)	5099	4964	2.7%	7.2%	-12.7%
Lead (\$/t)	1652	1685	-2.0%	3.9%	-29.2%
Zinc (\$/t)	1909	1884	1.3%	7.6%	-30.5%
Aluminium (\$/t)	1476	1429	3.3%	-2.1%	-14.8%
Nickel (\$/t)	11887	11457	3.8%	6.4%	4.5%
Tin (\$/t)	15203	15171	0.2%	10.8%	-28.9%
Gold (\$/oz)	1699	1753	-3.1%	4.0%	44.9%
Silver (\$/oz)	15.4	16.1	-3.8%	3.8%	-9.7%
Platinum (\$/oz)	785	749	4.9%	5.3%	-16.3%
Wheat (\$/t)	535.250	557.500	-4.0%	-7.7%	31.1%

Source: Iress

Key points

1. Week in review
2. What happened Friday
3. What happens next

Week in Review

The S&P/ASX All Ordinaries Accumulation Index closed up 1.9% for the week, the fourth consecutive week of gains, on positive global news overnight on Thursday (Australian time).

Global equity markets closed the week higher despite a raft of poor economic data, as countries provided road maps to opening up economies, while case numbers and deaths slowed.

The S&P 500 Index is up 0.3% for the week and S&P 500 Index futures are up 2.5%.

On Thursday, US employment figures showed that more jobs were lost to the coronavirus than were created since the 2007-08 global financial crisis.

In four weeks, about 22 million Americans have lost their jobs while retail sales posted last month their biggest fall on record.



The International Monetary Fund this week said the global economy was expected to shrink by 3% this year, before growing by 5.8% next year — a rebound that its Chief Economist Gita Gopinath has described as a “partial recovery.”

On the back of the more positive news at the end of the week, shares in online retail businesses Amazon and Alibaba rallied, joining low-cost consumer staples companies such as Costco, which released solid earnings last week, as beneficiaries of lockdown.

Earlier in the week Australian consumer confidence in April fell to the lowest levels recorded over the 47-year history of the Westpac Bank consumer sentiment index survey. NAB's business confidence index plunged to a record low in March.

Meanwhile unprecedented monetary stimulus has flooded the financial system, causing a strong rally in all asset classes.

Friday's markets

US stocks surged on Friday after a report said a Gilead Sciences drug showed some effectiveness in treating the coronavirus, CNBC reported.

This gave investors some hope there could be a treatment solution that helps the US reopen faster from the widespread shutdowns that have plunged the economy into a recession.

The **Dow Jones Industrial Average** rallied 704.81 points, or 3%, to 24,242.49. It was the Dow's first close above 24,000 since March 10. The **S&P 500** closed 2.7% higher, at 2,874.56 while the Nasdaq Composite advanced 1.4% to 8,650.14.

Boeing shares jumped 14.7% after the airplane maker said it would resume production in the Seattle area as early as next week. The company also said on Friday it would resume operations in the Philadelphia area.

Friday's gain led the S&P 500 to its first back-to-back weekly gains since early February and propelled it above its 50-day moving average. The broader market index climbed 3% for the week while the Dow gained 2.2%. The **Nasdaq** advanced 6.1% week to date. Through Friday's close, the major averages were all up more than 25% from their late-March lows.

Gilead shares jumped 9.7% after STAT news reported that a Chicago hospital treating coronavirus patients with Remdesivir in a trial were recovering rapidly from severe symptoms. The publication cited a video it obtained where the trial results were discussed.

Investors trimmed positions in work-from-home plays such as **Amazon**, **Netflix** and **Walmart**. Amazon dipped 1.4% while Netflix fell 3.7%. Walmart slid 0.2%. Still, Amazon and Netflix closed up more than 14% for the week while Walmart gained 8.5%.

Stocks in Asia rose on Friday as investors shrugged off data that showed China's economy shrinking by 6.8% in the first quarter.

In Japan, the **Nikkei 225** led gains among the region's major markets as it jumped 3.15% to close at 19,897.26 as shares of index heavyweights Fast Retailing and Softbank Group surged more than 6% each. The Topix index also ended its trading day 1.43% higher at 1,442.54.

Hong Kong's Hang Seng index rose 1.67%, as of its final hour of trading.

Mainland Chinese stocks edged higher by the close, with the **Shanghai composite** up 0.66% to about 2,838.49 while the **Shenzhen composite** added 0.338% to approximately 1,750.28.

China's first-quarter GDP shrank 6.8% in 2020 compared with a year ago, according to data from the National Bureau of Statistics of China.

That was the first quarterly decline since 1992, when official quarterly GDP reports started, according to Reuters.

However analysts said investors had already priced in weak data so the reaction to the news was muted. Additionally, the Chinese central bank is expected to inject liquidity into the economy in a targeted manner.

The **pan-European Stoxx 600** provisionally closed 2.4% higher on Friday, with travel and leisure stocks surging over 6% to lead gains as all sectors and major bourses traded in positive territory.



The gains followed news of the Remdesivir trial from the US.

Also Germany, Europe's largest economy, is one of several countries beginning to implement plans to lift lockdown measures as the rate of new cases declines.

Australian shares posted strong gains to end the week, supported by US President Donald Trump's plan to restart the US economy along with speculation over a potential treatment to successfully combat the coronavirus, The Sydney Morning Herald reported.

Having been up more than 2.5% at one point in early trade, the local market's gains were trimmed towards the close with benchmark **S&P/ASX 200** finishing the session up 71.2 points, or 1.3%, at 5487.5.

All sectors except consumer staples finished higher, led by **industrials and REITs** which posted gains of more than 3.9%. Both were among the hardest hit during the recent sell-off.

Among the big names, aviation stocks enjoyed a strong session following news the federal government will cover the cost of **Qantas** and **Virgin Australia** maintaining a limited domestic schedule.

Qantas shares rallied 7.2% to \$3.72 while Sydney Airports jumped 8.3% to \$6.28.

Stockland led the charge higher for REITS, soaring 8.5% to \$3.05.

Mayne Pharmaceuticals also jumped 9.1% to \$0.42 after submitting a new drug application to the US FDA.

Despite the broader market's gains, there were some pockets of weakness. **Coca-Cola Amatil** was among the worst performers, sliding 6.1% to \$8.63 following its quarterly update. **Newcrest Mining** also eased 2.6% to \$28.57 on weakness in **gold** prices.

Next week, apart from monitoring the health and economic fallout of COVID-19, including the lifting of lockdown restrictions, investors will be looking closely at the Reserve Bank of Australia April meeting minutes released on Tuesday, when RBA Governor Philip Lowe will also deliver a speech.

US jobs data will be released on Friday.

Economic Calendar 20/04/2020 – 24/04/2020

Monday April 20 2020		Actual	Previous	Consensus	Forecast	
07:50 AM	JP Balance of Trade MAR	¥1109.8B	¥420B	¥ 1100B		
09:30 AM	CN Loan Prime Rate 1Y	4.05%		3.95%		
Tuesday April 21 2020		Actual	Previous	Consensus	Forecast	
02:00 PM	GB Claimant Count Change MAR	17.3K		62K		
05:00 PM	DE ZEW Economic Sentiment Index APR	-49.5	-42.7	-48.8		
Wednesday April 22 2020		Actual	Previous	Consensus	Forecast	
02:00 PM	GB Inflation Rate YoY MAR	1.7%	1.5%	1.2%		
08:30 PM	CA Inflation Rate YoY MAR	2.2%		2%		
Thursday April 23 2020		Actual	Previous	Consensus	Forecast	
02:00 PM	DE GfK Consumer Confidence MAY	2.7		-3		
Friday April 24 2020		Actual	Previous	Consensus	Forecast	
07:30 AM	JP Inflation Rate YoY MAR	0.4%		0.5%		
04:00 PM	DE Ifo Business Climate APR	86.1	80	80		
08:30 PM	US Durable Goods Orders MoM MAR	1.2%	-11.4%	-12%		

Source: www.tradingeconomics.com

Economic Calendar 27/04/2020 – 1/05/2020

Wednesday April 29 2020		Actual	Previous	Consensus	Forecast	
05:00 PM	EA Business Confidence APR	-0.28		-0.74		
08:30 PM	US GDP Growth Rate QoQ Adv Q1	2.1%		-5%		
Thursday April 30 2020		Actual	Previous	Consensus	Forecast	
02:00 AM	US Fed Interest Rate Decision	0.25%		0.25%		
07:01 AM	GB GfK Consumer Confidence APR	-34		-46		
09:00 AM	CN NBS Manufacturing PMI APR	52				
01:00 PM	JP Consumer Confidence APR	30.9				
01:30 PM	FR GDP Growth Rate QoQ Prel Q1	-0.1%		-1.8%		
03:00 PM	ES GDP Growth Rate YoY Flash Q1	1.8%		-3.2%		
03:00 PM	ES GDP Growth Rate QoQ Flash Q1	0.4%		-2.2%		
05:00 PM	EA GDP Growth Rate YoY Flash Q1	1%		-3%		
05:00 PM	EA GDP Growth Rate QoQ Flash Q1	0.1%		-2%		
06:00 PM	IT GDP Growth Rate YoY Adv Q1	0.1%		-3.7%		
06:00 PM	IT GDP Growth Rate QoQ Adv Q1	-0.3%		-2.8%		
08:30 PM	US Personal Income MoM MAR	0.6%		0.2%		
08:30 PM	US Personal Spending MoM MAR	0.2%		-0.3%		

Source: www.tradingeconomics.com

**All Ords Top 10 Week Ending 17 April 2020**

10 Best Performing Stocks Weekly (%)			10 Worst Performing Stocks Weekly (%)		
APT	Afterpay Limited	31.8	WEB	Webjet Limited	-11.6
MYX	Mayne Pharma Ltd	31.3	WHC	Whitehaven Coal	-10.7
HLS	Healius	20.5	FLT	Flight Centre Travel	-9.0
SXL	Sthn Cross Media	19.2	CCL	Coca-Cola Amatil	-8.3
CKF	Collins Foods Ltd	15.9	URW	Unibailrodawestfield	-8.0
GOR	Gold Road Res Ltd	15.3	COE	Cooper Energy Ltd	-7.4
SLR	Silver Lake Resource	15.0	STO	Santos Ltd	-6.9
EHE	Estia Health Ltd	13.5	BPT	Beach Energy Limited	-6.7
SKC	Skycity Ent Grp Ltd	13.2	AVH	Avita Medical Ltd	-6.5
ABC	Adelaide Brighton	13.1	GEM	G8 Education Limited	-6.3

Source: IRESS

S & P Indices Week Ending 17 April 2020

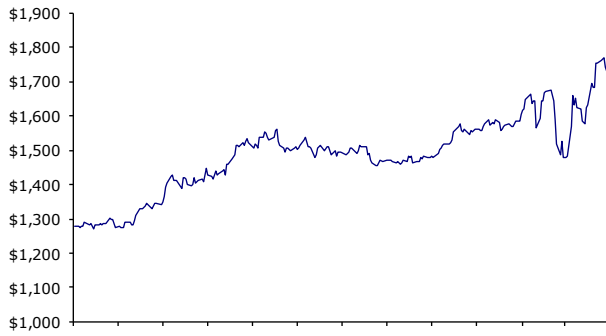
S&P Indices	19/04/2020	12/04/2020	Wkly Chg	Mthly Chg	Yearly Chg
S&P 200 Energy	6782	6945	-2.3%	18.7%	-23.7%
S&P 200 Materials	11780	11543	2.1%	6.7%	19.0%
S&P 200 Industrials	5525	5203	6.2%	12.9%	8.3%
S&P 200 Consumer Disc.	2092	2051	2.0%	18.4%	-0.1%
S&P 200 Consumer Staples	12525	11910	5.2%	4.6%	46.4%
S&P 200 Healthcare	45298	44531	1.7%	16.5%	134.9%
S&P 200 Financials	4302	4294	0.2%	3.3%	-32.5%
S&P 200 Info Technology	1224	1147	6.7%	29.3%	57.4%
S&P 200 Telecommunicatic	1094	1080	1.3%	5.5%	-37.7%
S&P 200 Utilities	7730	7605	1.7%	15.0%	2.5%
S&P 200 Property Trusts	1173	1167	0.6%	16.0%	-12.5%
S&P 200 Financials ex PT	4799	4789	0.2%	3.3%	-32.5%

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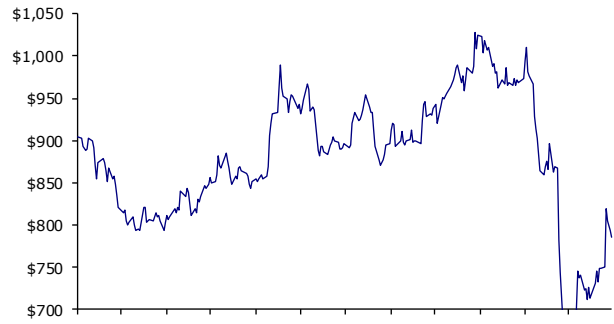


1 Year Commodity Price Charts

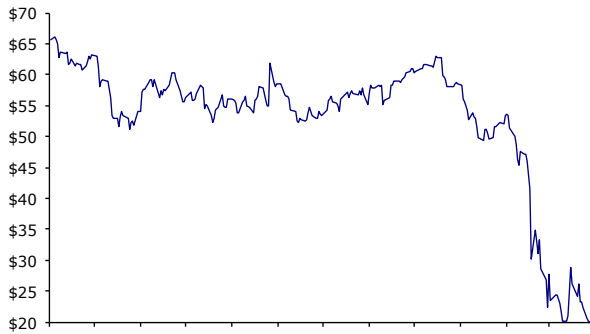
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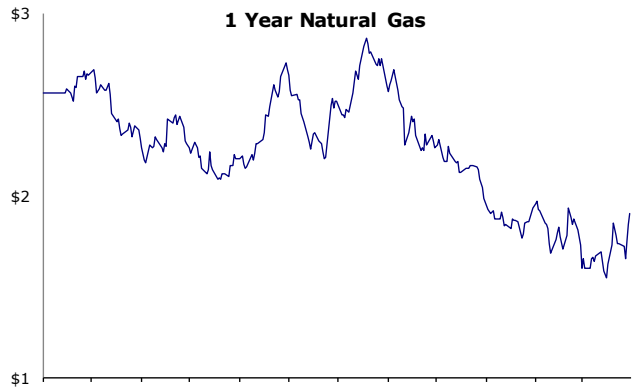
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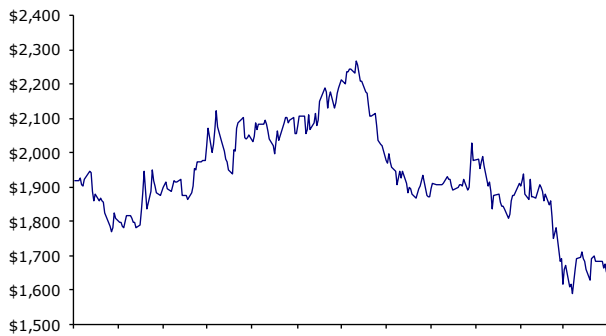
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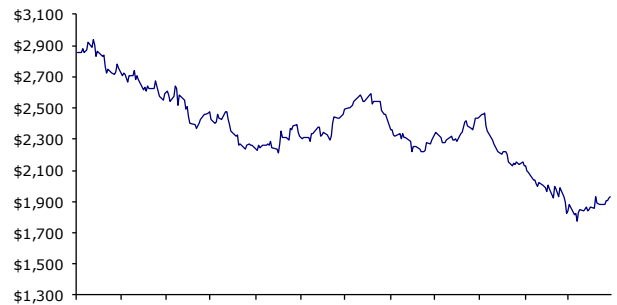
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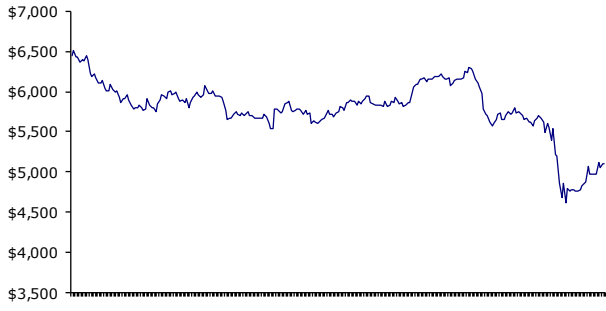


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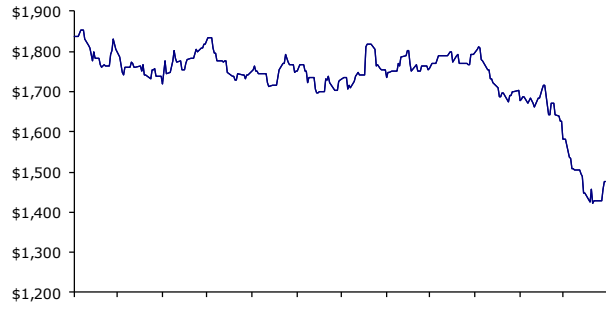




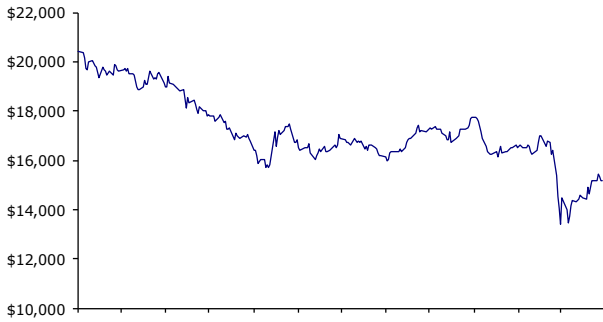
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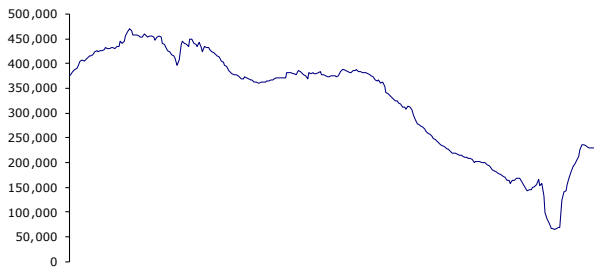


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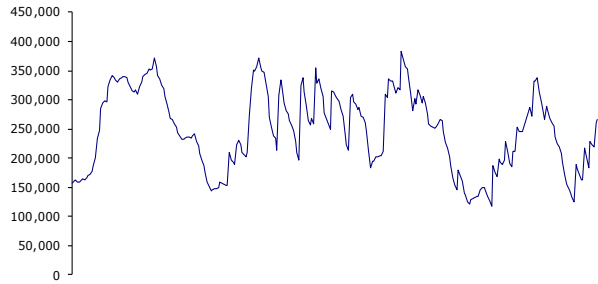


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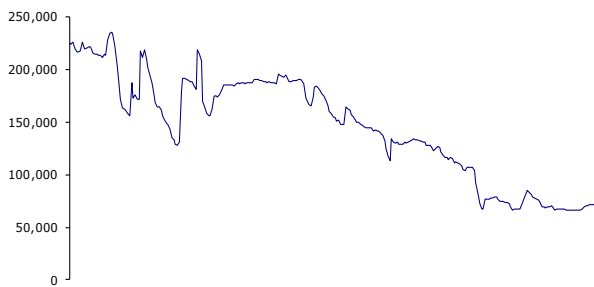
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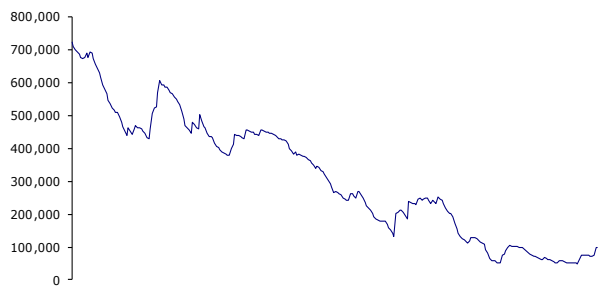
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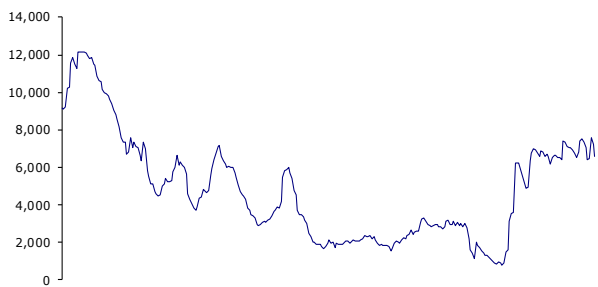
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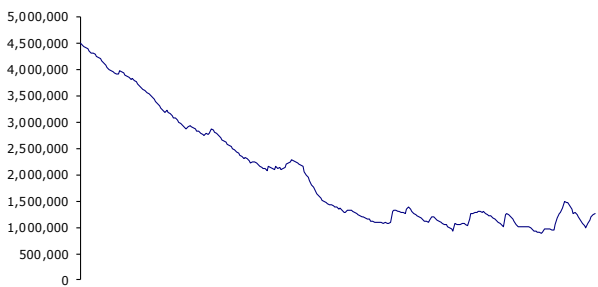
Zinc LME Stockpiles - 5 Year



Tin LME Stockpiles - 5 Year



Aluminium LME Stockpiles - 5 Year





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