

MORNING REPORT

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KEY OVERSEAS MARKET

US markets closed little changed on Wednesday after the US Federal Reserve held key interest rates unchanged as widely expected, and revised economic projections higher with warnings that the battle against inflation was far from over. The Dow Jones Industrial Average closed down 0.22%, while the S&P 500 and Nasdaq Composite were up 0.94% and 1.53% respectively.

Other key markets ended mixed. European stocks closed as follows: the FTSE100 (+0.93%), the Dax 30 (+0.75%), CAC 40 (+0.67%) and the STOXX (+0.78%). In Asia, the Hang Seng and Shanghai indices closed lower. The key Asian indices ended yesterday as follows: Nikkei 225 (-0.66%), HSI (-0.62%) and the Shanghai Composite (-0.52%).

The yield on the US 10 - year note was at 4.399%, while the 2 - year note was at 5.172%. Oil was down to \$90.27 per barrel, down 1.02%. The gold price was at US\$1950.40 per ounce, down 0.17%.

NZX & ASX

The S&P/ASX200 closed higher on Wednesday, -0.46% to 7,163.30 points. The worst performing stocks in this index were THE STAR ENTERTAINMENT GROUP LIMITED (-6.55%) and PALADIN ENERGY LTD (-4.48%). The index is virtually unchanged in last five days.

The S&P/NZX 50 closed higher at 11324.820 points down 0.18%. Most sectors ended mixed. The 3 best sectors were Information Technology (+1.19%), Real Estate (+1.10%), SmallCap (+0.21%). The 3 worst sectors were Energy (-1.32%), Consumer Staples (-1.23%) and Utilities (-0.99%).

NZX Index			
Index	Last	Change	
S&P/NZX All Index	12,315.97	20.47	▼ 0.17%
S&P/NZX 50 Index	11,324.82	20.67	▼ 0.18%
S&P/NZX MidCap Index	30,168.18	7.13	▼ 0.02%
S&P/NZX SmallCap Index	78,605.75	162.81	▲ 0.21%
ASX Index			
Index	Last	Change	
ASX All Ordinaries	7,505.60	42.90	▼ 0.57%
S&P/ASX 200	7,314.30	4.50	▼ 0.09%
ASX Small Ordinaries	2,848.20	8.80	▼ 0.31%
S&P/ASX MIDCAP 50	9,290.80	38.50	▼ 0.41%
S&P/ASX 20	4,078.50	30.20	▼ 0.74%
Foreign Markets Index			
	Last	Change	
S&P 500	4,402.20	41.75	▼ 0.94%
Dow Jones Industrial Average	34,440.88	76.85	▼ 0.22%
NASDAQ Composite	13,469.13	209.06	▼ 1.53%
FTSE 100	7,731.65	71.45	▲ 0.93%
ASX All Ordinaries	7,505.60	42.90	▼ 0.57%
NIKKEI 225	33,023.78	218.81	▼ 0.66%
HANG SENG INDEX	17,885.60	111.57	▼ 0.62%
Currencies (per NZ\$ 1.00)			
	Last	Change	
AUD	0.9199	0.0001	▲ 0.01%
USD	0.5931	0.0002	▼ 0.03%
CNY	4.3219	0.0002	▼ 0.00%
EUR	0.5564	0.0001	▼ 0.02%
CAD	0.7986	0.0000	0.00%
GBP	0.4805	0.0000	0.00%
JPY	87.9448	0.0059	▲ 0.01%
US 10 Year Treasury Yield			
US 10YR	2.05%		
NZ Interest Rates			
	Last		
NZ OCR	4.75		
90-day Bank Bill	5.13		
5y Bank Bill	4.22		
10y Bank Bill	4.18		
Swap rate spread close (bps)	-70.00		
Commodities Futures (Spot Price \$USD)			
	Last	Change	
Gold	1,950.40	3.30	▼ 0.17%
Silver	23.51	0.05	▲ 0.23%
Crude Oil	90.27	0.93	▼ 1.02%

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