

Markets

SFE 200 Futures (9.30am AEDT)	6797	28	0.4
NZX 50	10838	56	0.5
DJIA Futures	31529	-16	-0.1
S&P 500 Futures	3808	-2	-0.1
NASDAQ Futures	11467	-11	-0.1

Local Markets Commentary

The Australian market opens today's trade with the \$A trading at ~US63.20c, ahead of the Australian Government's budget release this evening and high-profile corporate earnings reports out of the US tonight.

US equities markets ultimately extended Friday's gains overnight.

Locally today, a plethora of information and commentary regarding the Australian Government's **budget**, to be delivered 7.30pm AEDT, is expected.

No major economic reports are anticipated, but together with the budget and material domestic economic indicators due to be released during this week, speculation regarding Reserve Bank of Australia (RBA) decisions at next Tuesday's policy meeting is likely to grow.

Regionally, South Korea has reported an 88.8 October consumer confidence reading from 91.4.

In overnight commodities trade, **oil** turned to record a decline.

US **gold** futures swung slightly lower, settling below \$US1655/oz.

Iron ore (Nymex CFR China, 62% Fe) also turned, settling modestly lower.

LME (3mth evening) **copper** reportedly had fallen by 0.6% at 1555 GMT. **Nickel** was reported to have gained 1.6% and **aluminium** to have been pushed 0.8% lower.

Last night's LME final price updates were unavailable from IRESS at time of publication. These are expected to become available via IRESS at 10.30am AEDT.

The **\$A** strengthened to ~US63.15c after dropping beneath ~US62.85c early yesterday evening.

Overseas Markets

INDEX	CLOSE	+/-	%
Dow Jones	31500	417	1.3
S&P 500	3797	45	1.2
NASDAQ	10953	93	0.9
FTSE 100	7014	44	0.6
DAX 30	12931	201	1.6
Shanghai Comp	2978	-61	-2.0

Overseas Markets Commentary

Major European, UK and US equities markets featured early vacillating but ultimately positive sentiment overnight, amid key economic data releases and political developments in addition to

* Listed Investment listing – 10.30am AEDT – HCF *

* Oil production & gas exploration listing – midday AEDT – OMA *

Today's Stock Watch
Westpac Banking Corporation (WBC)

Notable items are estimated to adversely impact WBC 2H FY22 post-tax net and cash profit by \$1.3B.

Details lodged post-trade yesterday.

WBC is scheduled to lodge full year results 7 November.

Reliance Worldwide Corporation (RWC)

September quarter sales rose 23% year-on-year to \$US303.1M.

\$US518.2M net debt. \$US541.0M cash and facilities capacity.

Breakdown statistics also lodged this morning.

A webcast teleconference was scheduled to commence 9am AEDT.

H&G High Conviction (* HCF)

LIC scheduled to list on the ASX **10.30am** AEDT, following a \$5.2M IPO at 98.29c per share.

~22.1M quoted shares.

Resources
Mineral Resources (MIN)

September quarter operational update anticipated.

Jindalee Resources (JRL)

Heralding Oregon, US McDermitt lithium project diamond drilling results, which include shallow mineralisation and broad intersections.

Assays lodged pre-trade.

Piedmont Lithium (PLL)

Atlantic Lithium's Ghana Ewoyaa spodumene project drilling programs have delivered further high-grade intersections.

PLL is earning 50% and also holds 9.4% of Atlantic.

Energy
Omega Oil & Gas (* OMA)

Oil producer and gas explorer scheduled to list on the ASX **midday** AEDT, following a \$15.07M IPO at 20c per share.

~128.39M quoted shares.

Ampol Ltd (ALD)

\$667.5M September quarter NPAT (HCOP basis).

\$US15.46/bbl Lytton refiner margin against \$US6.76/bbl for the September quarter 2021.

Sales volumes in Australia rose 20% year-on-year, to 3.661ML.

Overall sales reached 5.615ML.

Market volatility expected to continue.



further corporate earnings reports, outlooks and strategy updates.

In the **UK**, only Rishi Sunak, a former chancellor under Boris Johnson's leadership, remained in the selection process to be the UK's next **PM** by the time the backing support (100 nominations needed) required to move into the next stage of the process was to be announced.

Hence Mr Sunak is set to be formally asked to be the PM by King Charles later today/this evening (AEDT).

This appeared to help calm some investor qualms.

Among other overnight trade considerations, was a batch of, material **economic indicators** for **China**, initially scheduled for release from Friday week ago through Tuesday last week, and variously interpreted.

Among these, September quarter GDP and year-on-year September industrial output exceeded expectations, the new GDP representing growth against a 2.7% June quarter contraction.

January – September fixed asset investment and September house prices came in on par with forecasts

September year-on-year retail sales failed to match expectations.

September trade figures included a better-than-anticipated trade surplus, but imports growth remained the same as for September 2021, at just 0.3%. Exports growth was 1.4% lower than for September 2021.

Also overnight, US treasury secretary Janet Yellen ventured the US financial system remained secure but that administrators were monitoring market volatility and liquidity amid ongoing risks.

In overnight **data** releases, the **euro zone's** initial October PMI estimates indicated deteriorating conditions, both the manufacturing and services indices demonstrating further contraction-mode falls and undershooting forecasts.

Germany's preliminary October PMI readings proved similar, although the services PMI declined by just 0.1 and matched expectations.

Subsequently in the euro zone, a 15-year bond auction resulted in a 3.378% yield from 1.626%.

In the **UK**, the manufacturing PMI was initially estimated at 45.8 from 48.4 for September, following forecasts for 47.5.

The services sector index fell from 50.0 to a contraction-mode 47.5 against expectations for 49.2.

In the **US**, the Chicago Fed September national activity index remained flat at 0.1.

The preliminary October S&P Global PMIs surprised on the downside, indicating worsening contraction for the services sector and a move from expansion into contraction for manufacturing.

Tonight in the US, the Conference Board October consumer confidence reading is due, together with the Richmond Fed October manufacturing index and two home price indices for August.

Elsewhere, a business climate survey for Germany and business optimism index for the UK are due.

Companies listed to report earnings include: 3M, Alphabet (Google parent), Archer-Daniels-Midland, Biogen, Coca-Cola, Chubb, General Electric, Halliburton, Kimberly-Clark, LG Household, Lundin Mining, Microsoft, Norsk Hydro, Novartis, Raytheon Technologies, SAP, SSAB, Texas Instruments, Twitter,

Pre-Open Announcements

Audinate Group (* AD8)

Today's AGM materials lodged pre-trade.

Dubber Corporation (* DUB)

\$6.6M September quarter revenue, down 3% for the three months but up 10% year-on-year.

Operating costs rose by \$500,000 to \$20M.

\$73.8M cash on hand.

MGC Pharmaceuticals (* MXC)

Pharma ArtemiC long-Covid clinical study outcomes lodged this morning.

Invision Ltd (* IVX)

In vitro studies have demonstrated eight Photosoft compounds displaying antiviral activity against Dengue virus.

Additional details lodged post-trade yesterday.

Nick Scali (NCK)

NCK has appointed Sheila Lines as company secretary.

OncoSil Medical (OSL)

Non-executive OSL director Martin Cross has resigned from the OSL board.

Resources

Alkane Resources (* ALK)

Heralding central west NSW Northern Molong porphyry project Korridor prospect diamond drilling and Kaiser prospect step-out drilling results.

Assays and commentary lodged pre-trade.

Initial Kaiser resource anticipated by 31 March 2023.

Red 5 (RED)

Today's AGM materials lodged pre-trade.

Horizon Minerals (HRZ)

The IPO for Richmond Vanadium Technology which holds 100% of HZN's demerged, and formerly HZN 25%-held, Richmond-Julia Creek vanadium project has opened.

Richmond Vanadium is targeting \$25M - \$35M by issuing shares at 40c each.

A priority offer to HZN shareholders will close 7 November, a week prior to the expected IPO closing date.

Energy

Paladin Energy (* PDN)

Road-show presentation lodged pre-trade.

88 Energy (88E)

September quarter activities report lodged post-trade yesterday. \$17.5M cash at 30 September. Nil debt.



UBS and Visa.

Commodities

COMMODITY	CLOSE	\$US/	+/-	%
Gold (COMEX 100 Dec)	1654.1	oz	-2.20	-0.1
Silver (COMEX 5000 Dec)	19.19	oz	0.12	0.6
Platinum	925	oz	-6	-0.6
WTI Crude (NYMEX Dec)	84.58	bbbl	-0.47	-0.6
Brent Crude (ICE EUR Dec)	93.26	bbbl	-0.24	-0.3
Iron Ore (NYMEX CHN port;62%Fe)	94.51	t	-0.35	-0.4
Copper (LME 3mth Evening) (21 Oct)	7633	t		
Nickel	21954	t		
Aluminium	2208	t		
Lead	1896	t		
Zinc	2933	t		
Tin	18497	t		
Coal (ICE-GC Newcastle; IRESS)	390		-1.95	-0.5
Wheat (CBT Dec; IRESS)	839.5		-11.25	-1.3

Commodities Commentary

Oil – overnight trade was pushed and pulled by views the US Federal Reserve will ease the pace of interest rate hikes, new data out of China and a comparatively buoyant \$US.

Both WTI and Brent crude traded down \$US2/bbl early but the losses were eased, in part due to new US economic data pointing to a softening economy and hence a US Fed moderation.

China's September oil imports were revealed yesterday at 30.24Mt (9.79MMbbl/d) 2% lower than for September 2021, albeit an improvement on August's 9.5MMbbl/d.

January – September imports were down 4.3% year-on-year, at 370.4Mt (9.9MMbbl/d).

China's refined fuel exports however, were reported at 5.64Mt, up 36% year-on-year and their most in a month since June 2021

January – September exports were nonetheless calculated at 35.45Mt, 27.6% lower than for the same period last year.

Gold – continuing positive US equities sentiment, relative \$US strength and elevated bond yields combined to turn prices lower overnight.

Base metals – overnight LME base metals trade was influenced in part by a swag of mixed results released by China yesterday, other data indicating weakening international economies and currency moves.

China's data releases included September quarter **GDP** growth, and September **trade** statistics, together with September updates for **industrial production**, **fixed asset investment** and **retail sales**.

Among the trade figures, China's **copper** imports were reported 26.5% higher than for September 2021.

In addition, GDP growth was positive against the 2.7% drop recorded for the June quarter.

Exchange Rates

CURRENCIES	LAST	+/-	%
AUD – USD	0.6320	-0.0021	-0.34

Trading Halts

Company	Code	Resuming
Askari Metals	AS2	25 Oct
Ikwezi Mining	IKW	25 Oct
Monger Gold	MMG	25 Oct
NT Minerals	NTM	25 Oct
PolarX Ltd	PXX	25 Oct
BBX Minerals	BBX	26 Oct
Coda Minerals	COD	26 Oct
European Lithium	EUR	26 Oct
Ironbark Zinc	IBG	26 Oct
Skin Elements	SKN	26 Oct
Tulla Resources	TUL	26 Oct
WA1 Resources	WA1	26 Oct

Suspensions (selected)

Company	Code	Since
1 st Group	1ST	12 Oct
Candy Club Holdings	CLB	11 Oct
Duke Exploration	DEX	19 Oct
Medibank Private	MPL	21 Oct
Protean Energy	POW	11 Oct
Seafarms Group	SFG	30 Sep

Ex-Dividends

Code	Ex-Div	Div (c)	Franking (%)	Yield (%)
CLV	Today	1	100	0.83
MMS	Tomorrow	74	100	2.51
ACF	Thu	1.5	60	4.43
BOQ	Thu	24	100	5.84
GNP	Thu	1.8	100	0.00
GCI	Fri	1.22	0	5.37
TCF	Fri	3	0	6.64
ASG	Mon (31 Oct)	9	100	7.00

Reports & Events

(selected; all times AEDT)

When	Company	Report/Event
Today	ALD	Sep Q
	AD8	AGM
	CCP	AGM
	DUN	Sep Q
	MHJ	AGM
	MIN	Sep Q
	PWR	AGM
	RED	AGM
	REG	AGM



EUR – USD 0.9880 0.0033 0.33

US Data Tonight

Conference Board consumer confidence	Oct
Richmond Fed manufacturing index	Oct
FHFA house prices	Aug
Case-Shiller home price index	Aug

Other Overseas Data Today & Tonight

South Korea	Consumer confidence	Oct
UK	CBI industrial trends orders	Oct
UK	CBI business optimism	Dec Q
Germany	IFO business climate	Oct

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	RWC	Sep Q
	RIO	China Baowu Steel EGM
Tomorrow	BGA	AGM
	CNU	AGM
	CUV	AGM
	CDA	AGM
	DXS	AGM
	FBU	AGM
	IGO	Sep Q
	ILU	Sep Q
	NSR	AGM
	NTD	AGM
	PPC	AGM
	RBL	AGM
	SBM	AGM
	TAH	AGM
	URW	Sep Q
	WHC	AGM
	WOW	AGM
Thu	ANZ	Full year
	APM	AGM
	BBT	Sep Q
	CGF	AGM
	CTD	AGM
	DTL	AGM
	EBO	AGM
	FWD	AGM
	FMG	Sep Q
	GOR	Sep Q
	GUD	AGM
	JBH	AGM
	JHG	Sep Q (7pm; w/cast 11pm)
	LYC	Sep Q
	MTO	AGM
	NCM	Sep Q
	PNI	AGM
	REH	AGM
	RRL	Sep Q
	RWC	AGM
	S32	AGM
	SUL	AGM
	WES	AGM
	WGX	AGM (w/cast 11am)
Fri	ARB	AGM
	CAR	AGM
	GWA	AGM
	MQG	Interim
	MMS	AGM



PNV	AGM
SKC	AGM

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