

Markets

SFE 200 Futures (9.30am AEST)	6839	-69	-1.0
NZX 50	11583	-18	-0.2
DJIA Futures	31410	-122	-0.4
S&P 500 Futures	3932	-24	-0.6
NASDAQ Futures	12167	-118	-1.0

Local Markets Commentary

The Australian market commences a new month's trade with influential domestic and regional data due from pre- through post-trade, numerous large-cap stocks trading ex-dividend and the \$A below US68.35c.

US equities markets fell further overnight.

Locally today, the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) publishes June quarter **private capital expenditure** at **11.30am** AEST.

At the same time, the ABS releases **July lending** indicators, including for residential and investment property.

Core Logic's monthly **residential property price report** is also expected this morning.

Post-ASX trade, the Reserve Bank of Australia (RBA) publishes August **commodity prices**.

Pre-trade, the AiG has released a **contraction-mode 49.3** August **manufacturing** PMI, from an expansionary 52.5 for July. Economists had anticipated a smaller decline to 51.0.

Stocks trading **ex-dividend** today include, **AGL, BHP, CCP, JIN** and **WHC**. Please see pp3-4 for a detailed ex-dividends list.

Meanwhile the Australian government officially commences its two-day jobs and skills summit.

Regionally today, Caixin is scheduled to release its August **manufacturing PMI** for **China** at **11.45am** AEST.

Pre-trade, **South Korea** has confirmed **June quarter GDP** growth at an annualised 2.9% after growing 0.7% for the three months.

On the ASX open, South Korea is also due to report **July trade** figures.

Japan conducts a 10-year government bond auction early afternoon.

In overnight commodities trade, **oil** fell further, Brent crude trading below \$US97/bbl and WTI beneath \$US90/bbl.

US **gold** futures continued lower, trading below \$US1730/oz.

Iron ore (Nymex CFR China, 62% Fe) dropped by ~4%.

LME (3mth evening) **copper** and **aluminium** extended Tuesday's drop. **Nickel** swung modestly higher.

The **\$A** fell below US68.45c after trading at ~US68.55c early yesterday evening.

Today's Stock Watch

GARDA Property Group (GDF)

Confirming the group has listed the two Richmond, Victoria Botanicca office assets and a Mackay, Queensland industrial asset for sale.

GDF regards the sale processes as 'in the early stages'.

Cash Converters (CCV)

Flat, 1c fully franked final dividend.

46% lower, \$11.18M full year NPAT.

22% higher, \$245.94M revenue.

29.94c NTA from 30.12c.

\$58.085M cash and equivalents.

Pharmaxis Ltd (PXS)

Parkinson's UK is granting PXS £2.9M in support of the phase two PXS-4728 study to be conducted by Sydney University and Oxford University.

Fisher & Paykel Healthcare (FPH)

Proposing to outlay \$NZ275M for 105ha of Auckland land on which to develop new capacity over 20 - 30 years.

Sims Ltd (SGM)

SGM has appointed former Oil Search executive GM LNG Philip Bainbridge as an independent non-executive director, effective today.

DroneShield Ltd (DRO)

\$2M DroneSentry order in hand from a European government.

Resources

Lunnon Metals (LM8)

WA Kambalda nickel project Baker Shoot metallurgical test work has delivered high nickel recoveries and low-contaminate concentrate. Details lodged this morning.

Argosy Minerals (AGY)

Targeting initial Argentina Rincon lithium project battery-quality Li₂CO₃ in October.

Zimplats Holdings (ZIM)

37% lower, \$US353.64M NPAT. 8% lower \$US1.24B revenue.

\$US17.60 NTA from \$US16.22.

\$US377.975M cash and equivalents.

Red 5 (RED)

\$A28.615M full year net loss from a \$43.245M FY21 net loss.

5% lower, \$164.962M revenue. 7.76 NTA from 9.84c.

Dacian Gold (DCN)

\$198.43M full year net loss from a \$7.50M FY21 net loss.

7% lower, \$223.665M revenue. 10c NTA against 30c.

**Overseas Markets**

INDEX	CLOSE	+/-	%
Dow Jones	31510	-280	-0.9
S&P 500	3955	-31	-0.8
NASDAQ	11816	-67	-0.6
FTSE 100	7284	-77	-1.1
DAX 30	12835	-126	-1.0
Shanghai Comp	3202	-25	-0.8

Overseas Markets Commentary

Major European, UK and US equities markets mostly recorded early gains overnight but sentiment soon waned.

Earlier yesterday, China's official August PMIs exceeded expectations, but the manufacturing PMI indicated ongoing contraction.

In overnight **data** releases, the **euro zone's** initial August CPI estimate came in 0.5% higher than for July following a 0.1% July increase.

Against August 2021, the inflation rate was up 9.1%, in line with expectations.

The euro subsequently rose on expectations the European Central Bank (ECB) will decide on a sizeable interest rate increase at next week's policy meeting.

Germany's July import prices rose 1.4% for the month, following a 1.0% June rise and expectations for a 1.5% increase.

Against July 2021, prices were up 28.9%.

August unemployment rose by 28,000 to 2.497M and the unemployment rate by 0.1% to 5.5%.

Russia reported a 4.3% GDP drop for July following a 4.9% June tumble. Forecasters had anticipated an up to 6.1% new decline.

In the **US**, a private sector employment report included an estimated 132,000 new jobs in August against 268,000 in July and 380,000 for June.

The August Chicago PMI rose by 0.1 to 52.2 against expectations of a decline to 51.0.

Weekly mortgage applications dropped 3.7% after a 2.1% fall the previous week.

The mean average 30-year mortgage rate rose to 5.80% from 5.65%.

Tonight in the US, weekly new unemployment claims and an August job cuts report are due, together with the ISM's August manufacturing index, July construction spending and June quarter productivity.

Companies scheduled to report earnings later today or tonight include Broadcom and Lululemon Athletica.

Stocks trading ex-dividend on the FTSE 100 include Antofagasta, Endeavour Mining and Glencore.

In overnight corporate news, **Snapshot** revealed it was reducing its workforce by ~20%.

NB: US markets will be closed Monday due to a public holiday. Also Monday, the UK ruling conservative party is due to announce its new leader.

Pre-Open Announcements**Euroz Hartleys Group (EZL)**

22.5% lower, \$40.72M full year NPAT.

7.3% lower, \$118.69M revenue.

82c NTA from 71c.

8.5c already-declared fully-franked final dividend, against 13.5c a year earlier.

Duxton Water (D2O)

112% higher, \$4.435M interim NPAT.

59% lower, \$6.917M revenue.

Flat \$1.22 NTA.

Immutep Ltd (IMM)

\$32.21M full year net loss from a \$29.90M FY21 net loss.

\$6.59M income from \$3.97M.

9.6c NTA from 8.1c.

Pointerra Ltd (3DP)

\$3.098M full year net loss from a \$1.47M FY21 net loss.

126% higher, \$10.34M revenue.

\$3.596M cash and equivalents.

36c NTA from 39c.

Nuheara Ltd (NUH)

\$14.09M full year net loss from a \$7.20M FY21 net loss.

64% lower, \$3.87M revenue.

\$410,153 cash and equivalents.

Wide Open Agriculture (WOA)

\$10.79M full year net loss from a \$7.53M FY21 net loss.

106% higher, \$9.77M revenue.

16.86c NTA from 12.39c.

\$19.47M cash and equivalents.

Creso Pharma (CPH)

\$7.09M interim net loss from an \$18.97M 1H FY21 net loss.

42% higher, \$4.32M revenue.

1.2c NTA against 2.4c.

Resources**Conico Ltd (* CNJ) / Greenstone Resources (* GSR)**

Heralding heavily disseminated sulphides intersected during drilling within the WA Mt Thirsty cobalt-nickel 50:50 JV project.

Beacon Minerals (BCN)

27% lower, \$14.83M full year NPAT.

3% lower, \$71.16M revenue.

\$12.73M cash and equivalents.

1.6c NTA from 1.4c.



Commodities

COMMODITY	CLOSE	\$US/	+/-	%
Gold (NY) (Dec)	1726.2	oz	-10.1	-0.6
Silver (NY) (Sep)	17.88	oz	-0.40	-2.3
Platinum	850	oz	3	0.4
WTI Crude (NYMEX Oct)	89.55	bbbl	-2.09	-2.3
Brent Crude (ICE EUR Oct)	96.49	bbbl	-2.82	-2.8
Iron Ore (NYMEX CHN port;62%Fe)	100.82	t	-4.10	-4.1
Copper (LME 3mth Evening)	7795	t	-74	-1.0
Nickel	21437	t	80	0.4
Aluminium	2362	t	-29	-1.2
Lead	1950	t	-39	-2.0
Zinc	3442	t	-53	-1.5
Tin	22753	t	-940	-4.0

Commodities Commentary

Oil – prices continued lower for a second consecutive session overnight, as relatively weak China data and new Covid restrictions this week in China dampened lowered demand prospects.

A media survey estimated OPEC+ August production had reached 29.58MMbbl/d, up 690,000bbl/d for the month. This was in part attributed to more stable supply from Libya.

Meanwhile, the OPEC+ technical committee met overnight, predicting a 400,000bbl/d 2022 surplus, against a pre-meeting 900,000bbl/d best-case surplus and a 300,000bbl/d surplus forecast in July.

A US weekly petroleum inventories report, published overnight US by government agency the EIA, included a 3.33MMbbl fall in crude stocks and 1.17MMbbl decline for stored petrol.

Petrol production was reported 349,000bbl higher. Net crude imports were reported 5000bbl lower.

Overnight Tuesday post-US trade, the American Petroleum Institute (API) had published a weekly report including an estimated 593,000bbl rise in US crude stocks last week.

Meanwhile, the Brent crude October contract expired on settlement overnight, the November delivery contract settling at \$US95.64/bbl after falling by \$US2.20/bbl for the session.

Gold – gold prices declined further overnight, with US 10-year treasury yields higher, but the \$US a little lower and continuing strong inflation revealed for the euro zone.

Key data out of the US tonight could swing sentiment, ahead of tomorrow night's monthly employment statistics.

Base metals – new data out of China appeared to largely dampen sentiment during overnight end-of-month base metals trade.

Yesterday, China's August PMIs as calculated by the NBS came in at a remaining contractionary 49.4 for manufacturing and 52.6 for the services sector, against forecasts for 48.5 and 52.0.

The manufacturing index was up 0.4 for the month but the services sector estimate declined by 1.2.

Caixin's August manufacturing PMI for China, due today, is likely to influence some trade tonight.

Trading Halts

Company	Code	Resuming
Advanced Human Imaging	AHI	1 Sep
Bod Australia	BOD	1 Sep
MONEYME Ltd	MME	1 Sep
West Cobar Metals	WC1	1 Sep
Botanix Pharmaceuticals	BOT	2 Sep
Dart Mining	DTM	2 Sep
Epsilon Healthcare	EPN	2 Sep
Techgen Metals	TG1	2 Sep

Suspensions (selected)

Company	Code	Since
AusCann Group Holdings	AC8	1 Sep
Australian Pacific Coal	AQC	30 Aug
BWX Ltd	BWX	29 Aug
ColorTV Ltd	CTV	8 Aug
Invigor Group	IVO	25 Aug
Pro-Pac Packaging	PPG	31 Aug
Security Matters	SMX	30 Aug
TEK-Ocean Group	T3K	22 Aug

Ex-Dividends

Code	Ex-Div	Div (c)	Franking (%)	Yield (%)
AGL	Today	10	0	2.08
BHP	Today	247.07	100	10.52
BTI	Today	7.4	100	0.00
CCP	Today	36	100	1.86
DBI	Today	4.57	0	6.14
EBG	Today	3.5	100	3.13
FEX	Today	5.25	100	14.58
GNG	Today	10	100	6.72
GTN	Today	1.3	0	0.00
HIT	Today	6	100	4.65
HMC	Today	6	100	2.39
IBC	Today	1.25	100	4.62
IDX	Today	3	100	3.67
IVC	Today	13.5	100	1.90
JIN	Today	20.5	100	2.85
JLG	Today	3	100	0.38
MNY	Today	7	100	5.63
NBI	Today	0.71	0	6.45
PPE	Today	6.5	100	3.38
PTM	Today	7	100	12.32
SLH	Today	6.3	100	0.96
SXL	Today	4.75	100	8.84
WHC	Today	40	100	1.01
ALD	Tomorrow	120	100	2.69

**Exchange Rates**

CURRENCIES	LAST	+/-	%
AUD – USD	0.6834	-0.0068	-0.98
EUR – USD	1.0042	0.0003	0.03

Australian Data Today

ABS	Private capital expenditure	Jun Q
CoreLogic	Residential property prices	Aug
ABS	Lending indicators (incl for property)	Jul
RBA	Commodity prices	Aug

US Data Tonight

ISM manufacturing	Aug
Initial jobless claims	29 Aug
Challenger job cuts	Aug
Construction spending	Jul
Productivity	Jun Q
S&P Global manufacturing PMI (final)	Aug

Other Overseas Data Today & Tonight

China	Caixin manufacturing PMI	Aug
South Korea	GDP (final)	Jun Q
South Korea	Trade balance	Jul
South Korea	Manufacturing PMI (final)	Aug
Japan	Manufacturing PMI (final)	Aug
UK	Manufacturing PMI (final)	Aug
Germany	Retail sales	Jul
Germany	Manufacturing PMI (final)	Aug
Euro zone	Unemployment	Jul
Euro zone	Manufacturing PMI (final)	Aug

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APE	Tomorrow	22	100	4.69
BRI	Tomorrow	10	100	3.79
BSE	Tomorrow	3	0	21.21
BVS	Tomorrow	3.2	0	6.14
COL	Tomorrow	30	100	1.88
CYC	Tomorrow	0.5	0	0.70
HLO	Tomorrow	10	100	0.00
IFM	Tomorrow	3	14	1.81
KLS	Tomorrow	9.5	100	2.94
LIC	Tomorrow	6	100	0.55
MIN	Tomorrow	100	100	0.00
PFG	Tomorrow	0.6	100	4.19
PTL	Tomorrow	1.7	100	6.37
SDI	Tomorrow	1.75	100	3.62
SYM	Tomorrow	4.7	100	1.93
TER	Tomorrow	10	0	0.00

Reports & Events

(selected; all times AEST)

When	Company	Report/Event
Today	MLX	Full year
	VN8	Full year
Tomorrow	CKF	AGM
	DSK	Full year (tele 11am)

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