

Market Review

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EQUITY INDICES	LAST	CHANGE	%CHG	52 WK-HIGH	52 WK-LOW	YTD
DOW JONES INDUSTRIAL AVERAGE	44,176.65	-450.94	-1.01%	45,073.63	37,611.56	3.84%
S&P 500	6,117.52	-26.63	-0.43%	6,147.43	4,946.00	4.01%
NASDAQ COMPOSITE	19,962.36	-93.89	-0.47%	20,204.58	15,222.78	3.37%
S&P/TSX COMPOSITE	25,514.08	-112.08	-0.44%	25,875.61	21,100.67	3.18%
STOXX EUROPE 600	551.01	-1.09	-0.20%	557.96	479.83	8.55%
FTSE 100	8,662.97	-49.56	-0.57%	8,820.93	7,598.47	5.99%
DAX PERFORMANCE-INDEX TR	22,314.65	-118.98	-0.53%	22,935.06	17,024.82	12.08%
CAC40	8,122.58	12.04	0.15%	8,259.19	7,029.91	10.05%
NIKKEI 225 INDEX	38,678.04	-486.57	-1.24%	42,426.77	31,156.12	-3.05%
HANG SENG INDEX	22,576.98	-367.26	-1.60%	23,241.74	16,044.45	12.55%
Shanghai SE Composite Index	3,350.78	-0.76	-0.02%	3,674.40	2,689.70	-0.03%

U.S. stocks tumble on tariff and inflation fears

The U.S. major indices tumbled on Thursday on fears that Trump's trade policies would increase inflation. Also weighing on sentiment was Walmart downbeat 2026 profit and sales forecast as it anticipates inflation-weary consumers to pull back on spending. Investors digested economic data and comments from Federal Reserve officials. St. Louis Fed President Alberto Musalem said on Thursday that he sees inflation expectations moving up that the U.S. economy is facing the risk of stagflation, when the labor market softens as inflation heats up. Atlanta Fed President Raphael Bostic said that heightened uncertainty about trade and immigration policy means the Federal Reserve should remain cautious. Chicago Federal President Austan Goolsbee said he is a bit nervous about the potential for large-scale tariffs to create a significant supply shock that could aggravate inflation as occurred during the COVID-19 pandemic. Meanwhile, today's economic data showed that factory output slowed, and input prices surged in the U.S. mid-Atlantic region in February. Separate data showed U.S. weekly jobless claims increased modestly last week, with no signs yet of the mass layoffs of federal government workers and deep spending cuts being pursued by the Trump administration.

Canada's TSX Composite Index fell on Thursday after U.S. President Trump once announced plans to unveil fresh tariffs within the next month or sooner, targeting lumber and forest products, stoking fears of a global trade war. This announcement is particularly significant for Canada as it is one of the world's leading producers and exporters of softwood lumber, with the majority of these exports destined for the U.S. markets. The information technology sector was the biggest drag on the TSX. The materials sector provided the biggest boost to the index as gold prices jumped to a record high on safe-haven demand. On the economic front, domestic producer prices rose 1.6% in January, driven by energy and petroleum. On a 12-month basis the producer-price index was up 5.8%. Prices for raw materials were up 3.7% from December and 11.8% higher than the same month last year. On the housing front, prices of new houses in Canada fell 0.1% in January thanks in large part to declines in Toronto.

S&P/TSX: LEADERS		LAST	CHANGE	%CHG	
Retrieving		Retrieving	Retrieving	#VALUE!	
Bausch Health Companies Inc		\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	
First Majestic Silver Corp		\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	
Ivanhoe Mines Ltd		\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	
Capstone Copper Corp		\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	
S&P/TSX: LAGGARDS		LAST	CHANGE	%CHG	
Retrieving		Retrieving	Retrieving	#VALUE!	
OceanaGold Corp		\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	
Celestica Inc		\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	
BlackBerry Ltd		\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	
Triple Flag Precious Met	als Corp	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	
S&P/TSX INDUSTRY		CHANGE	%CHG	YTD	
ENERGY	275.87	0.54	0.20%	3.27%	
MATERIALS	434.69	5.14	1.20%	14.93%	
UTILITIES	308.94	1.08	0.35%	0.74%	
FINANCIALS	484.92	-1.46	-0.30%	1.06%	
INDUSTRIALS	466.27	-4.35	-0.92%	1.71%	
HEALTH CARE	23.50	0.63	2.75%	-8.67%	
CONS. DISCRETION.	297.85	0.00	0.00%	-0.20%	
CONS. STAPLES	1012.56	-13.41	-1.31%	-4.69%	
INFO TECH.	309.19	-6.85	-2.17%	9.71%	
COMMUNICATION SVS	138.92	0.14	0.10%	0.93%	
REAL ESTATE	310.65	-2.19	-0.70%	-1.25%	
GOVERNMENT BONDS	2YR	5YR	10YR	30YR	
CANADA (YLD%)	2.82%	2.91%	3.22%	3.39%	
U.S. (YLD%)	4.27%	4.35%	4.51%	4.75%	
COMMODITIES/ FX	LAST	CHANGE	%CHG	YTD	
CRUDE OIL WTI	\$72.57	\$0.28	0.39%	1.19%	
NATURAL GAS	\$4.16	-\$0.12	-2.76%	14.66%	
GOLD	\$2,943.80	\$24.40	0.84%	11 .97 %	
COPPER	\$4.61	\$0.05	1.12%	15.60%	
CAD / USD	\$0.7054	\$0.0030	0.43%	1.47%	
CAD / EUR	€0.6717	-€0.0022	-0.33%	0.04%	
USD / EUR	€0.9522	-€0.0072	-0.75%	-1.41%	
USD / JPY	¥149.67	-¥1.80	-1.19%	-4.83%	
				Source: LS	

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