

INDEX	CLOSE	NET CHANGE	DAILY % CHANGE	WEEKLY % CHANGE	% YTD	% LAST 12 MONTHS
Dow Jones Industrial Average	12 609.42	-16.61	-0.13%	3.22%	-4.94%	0.63%
S&P 500 Index	1 370.40	1.09	0.08%	4.20%	-6.67%	-4.79%
Nasdaq Composite Index	2 370.98	7.68	0.32%	4.86%	-10.61%	-3.57%
S&P/TSX Composite Index	13 668.19	116.90	0.86%	3.28%	-1.19%	1.64%
FTSE 100 (UK)	5 947.10	55.80	0.95%	4.47%	-7.90%	-6.56%
DAX (Germany)	6 763.39	21.67	0.32%	3.10%	-16.16%	-4.39%
NIKKEI 225 (Japan)	13 293.22	-96.68	-0.72%	3.69%	-13.16%	-24.23%
HANG SENG (Hong-Kong)	24 264.63	0.00	0.00%	4.20%	-12.76%	20.06%

MARKET REVIEW

American economy sheds 80,000 jobs

U.S. markets ended the day relatively unchanged, despite weakness in the country's much-awaited employment report. The Dow Jones Industrials Average declined 16.61 points, or 0.13%, to 12609.42. The S&P 500 Composite gained 1.09 points, or 0.08%, to 1370.4. The Nasdaq Composite advanced 7.68 points, or 0.32%, to 2370.98.

The U.S. economy lost 80,000 jobs in March, marking a third consecutive monthly decline. The country's unemployment rate surged to 5.1%, its highest level since September 2005.

Private sector employment fell by 98,000 posts, the fourth consecutive monthly decline. Furthermore, revised data indicate that job losses were 67,000 posts greater, during the previous three months, than originally thought. Most of the job losses were in the goods producing sector (manufacturing down 48,000 and construction down 51,000). Service sector employment slipped marginally for the third consecutive month.

The greenback edged downward against the Euro and the Japanese yen today as signs of a U.S. recession mount. Commodity prices also rose as the U.S. dollar struggled. Crude prices increased \$2.28 to \$106.11/barrel. Gold gained \$10.95 to \$913.85/ounce.

Canadian equity markets rose today led by the Materials and Energy sectors. The S&P/TSX Composite rose 116.9 points, or 0.86%, to 13668.19.

In Canada employment data were more mixed than they were south of the border. The Canadian economy added 14,600 jobs in March and the unemployment rate rose to 6% from 5.8% in February. This increase, however, was spurred by a surge in labour force participation. Full-time employment actually declined by 19,600 posts following two consecutive months of robust job creation. However part-time employment rose by 34,200. Job gains were evenly distributed in the goods (+7,800) and service (+6,800) sectors.

MOST ACTIVE BY VOLUME IN S&P/TSX	LAST PRICE	VAR DAY \$	VOLUME
Bombardier Inc (BBD/B)	\$6.09	\$0.14	25 372 342
Uranium One Inc (UUU)	\$4.39	\$0.57	19 910 473
Yamana Gold Inc (YRI)	\$15.02	\$0.61	9 007 669
Eastern Platinum Ltd (ELR)	\$3.10	-\$0.03	4 909 979
Equinox Minerals Ltd (EQN)	\$4.84	\$0.19	4 867 030

MOST ACTIVE BY VOLUME IN S&P 500	LAST PRICE	VAR DAY \$	VOLUME
Cisco Systems Inc (CSCO)	\$24.40	\$0.17	21 181 809
Microsoft Corp (MSFT)	\$29.16	\$0.16	19 834 343
Oracle Corp (ORCL)	\$20.35	-\$0.33	18 951 627
Intel Corp (INTC)	\$21.84	-\$0.09	17 714 978
Citigroup Inc (C)	\$24.08	-\$0.28	16 021 900

S&P/TSX INDUSTRY GROUP	DAILY % CHANGE	YTD
ENERGY	1.84%	1.95%
MATERIALS	2.58%	11.29%
INDUSTRIALS	0.88%	1.17%
CONSUMER DISCRETIONARY	1.01%	-12.59%
CONSUMER STAPLES	0.00%	-6.00%
HEALTH CARE	-1.04%	-4.01%
FINANCIALS	-0.71%	-8.28%
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	-1.49%	3.38%
TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES	1.01%	-7.66%
UTILITIES	-0.82%	-7.48%

INTEREST RATES	LAST YIELD	PREVIOUS
CAN GOVT 2 YR	2.76%	2.83%
CAN GOVT 5 YR	3.04%	3.11%
CAN GOVT 7 YR	3.21%	3.29%
CAN GOVT 10 YR	3.53%	3.59%
CAN GOVT 30 YR	4.00%	4.03%

CURRENCIES & COMMODITIES	LAST PRICE	PREVIOUS	1 YEAR AGO
OIL WTI (\$/BARREL)	\$106.11	\$103.83	\$64.38
GOLD SPOT (\$/OZ)	\$913.85	\$902.90	\$674.35
CAD per USD	1.0092	1.0047	1.1595
CAD per EURO	1.5879	1.5757	1.5500
EURO per USD	1.5735	1.5684	1.3369
YEN per USD	101.625	102.260	118.730

Source: Bloomberg