

INDEX	CLOSE	NET CHANGE	DAILY % CHANGE	WEEKLY % CHANGE	% YTD	% LAST 12 MONTHS
Dow Jones Industrial Average	11 496.57	49.91	0.44%	3.57%	-13.33%	-17.40%
S&P 500 Index	1 260.68	0.36	0.03%	1.71%	-14.14%	-18.46%
Nasdaq Composite Index	2 282.78	-29.52	-1.28%	1.95%	-13.93%	-15.44%
S&P/TSX Composite Index	13 515.96	55.71	0.41%	-1.41%	-2.29%	-7.32%
FTSE 100 (UK)	5 376.40	90.10	1.70%	2.18%	-16.73%	-18.13%
DAX (Germany)	6 382.65	111.38	1.78%	3.73%	-20.88%	-19.14%
NIKKEI 225 (Japan)	12 803.70	-84.25	-0.65%	-1.81%	-16.36%	-28.93%
HANG SENG (Hong-Kong)	21 874.19	139.47	0.64%	-1.40%	-21.35%	-4.24%

MARKET REVIEW

Mixed results for U.S. financials

U.S. equity indexes ended the session virtually unchanged today. Energy stocks advanced, regaining some of their losses stemming from yesterday's sharp slide. Strikingly, despite the significant volatility they have seen in recent weeks, U.S. financial stocks ended the session with not much to show for it. The Dow Jones Industrials Average rose 49.91 points, or 0.44%, to 11496.57. The S&P 500 Composite advanced 0.36 points, or 0.03%, to 1260.68. The Nasdaq Composite lost 29.52 points, or 1.28%, to 2282.78.

Yesterday after markets closed, Merrill Lynch & Co. reported a \$4.89 billion (-\$4.87 per share) second quarter loss. The results disappointed markets, which had only forecast a \$1.91 per share shortfall. The firm's fourth consecutive quarterly loss also included a \$9.4 billion write-down relative to mortgage backed securities and other unprofitable assets.

On the other hand, Citigroup reported a smaller than expected loss today, despite writing down approximately \$11.7 billion worth of assets. The company lost \$2.5 billion (-\$0.54 per share) during the second quarter, compared to profits of \$6.23 billion (\$1.24 per share) one-year ago. Freddie Mac, the second-largest U.S. mortgage-finance company, registered with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, removing its biggest obstacle to selling common stock and increasing its mortgage holdings.

The company intends to raise \$5.5 billion in capital that "will include both common and preferred securities." In a statement today, CEO Richard Syron said that "Becoming an SEC registrant marks an important milestone for the company and demonstrates our commitment to enhanced transparency and financial reporting."

In Canada, the S&P/TSX advanced today, with eight of 10 sectors gaining ground. The S&P/TSX Composite increased 55.71 points, or 0.41%, to 13515.96.

Crude prices retreated \$0.44 to \$128.85/barrel. Gold declined \$2.51 to \$954.93/ounce.

MOST ACTIVE BY VOLUME IN S&P/TSX	LAST PRICE	VAR DAY \$	VOLUME
Eastern Platinum Ltd (ELR)	\$2.07	\$0.20	10 992 144
Nexen Inc (NXY)	\$34.05	\$1.10	10 347 624
Equinox Minerals Ltd (EQN)	\$3.68	-\$0.03	7 900 493
Bombardier Inc (BBD/B)	\$7.15	\$0.08	6 415 663
Oilexco Inc (OIL)	\$15.98	-\$0.25	6 166 993

MOST ACTIVE BY VOLUME IN S&P 500	LAST PRICE	VAR DAY \$	VOLUME
Microsoft Corp (MSFT)	\$25.86	-\$1.66	71 376 455
Citigroup Inc (C)	\$19.35	\$1.38	40 554 300
Bank of America Corp (BAC)	\$27.49	\$0.99	34 386 600
Intel Corp (INTC)	\$22.09	\$0.10	30 242 760
Cisco Systems Inc (CSCO)	\$21.66	\$0.14	27 333 516

S&P/TSX INDUSTRY GROUP	DAILY % CHANGE	YTD
ENERGY	0.57%	7.67%
MATERIALS	-0.83%	14.40%
INDUSTRIALS	1.08%	-0.47%
CONSUMER DISCRETIONARY	1.03%	-25.85%
CONSUMER STAPLES	0.23%	-10.47%
HEALTH CARE	0.24%	-16.60%
FINANCIALS	0.89%	-14.25%
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	1.62%	-4.10%
TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES	-0.41%	-8.93%
UTILITIES	1.17%	-10.43%

INTEREST RATES	LAST YIELD	PREVIOUS
CAN GOVT 2 YR	3.19%	3.12%
CAN GOVT 5 YR	3.41%	3.36%
CAN GOVT 7 YR	3.57%	3.54%
CAN GOVT 10 YR	3.80%	3.78%
CAN GOVT 30 YR	4.16%	4.14%

CURRENCIES & COMMODITIES	LAST PRICE	PREVIOUS	1 YEAR AGO
OIL WTI (\$/BARREL)	\$128.85	\$129.29	\$75.05
GOLD SPOT (\$/OZ)	\$954.93	\$957.43	\$673.00
CAD per USD	1.0058	1.0058	1.0438
CAD per EURO	1.5937	1.5954	1.4407
USD per EURO	1.5846	1.5863	1.3803
YEN per USD	106.955	106.270	121.960

Source: Bloomberg