

Thursday, December 10, 2020

Technicals



S&P 500	RSI (20:80)	Sto Fast
	60.55%	D 51.71% K 70.44%



Dow Jones	RSI (20:80)	Sto Fast
	62.68%	D 68.01% K 75.42%

U.S Stock Market

DJIA	S & P 500	NASDAQ
30042	3669.25	12345.75
-0.59%	-1.06%	-2.16%

U.S stocks closed lower yesterday, retreating from record levels as investors grew discouraged over the halting progress of economic stimulus talks, while a drop in Facebook shares provided an additional drag. Investors are banking on a long-awaited relief package to help buttress an economy battered from the COVID-19 pandemic and related lockdowns that has led to millions of layoffs and overwhelmed the healthcare system. U.S Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell said lawmakers were still looking for a path toward an agreement on COVID-19 aid, as the U.S House of Representatives prepared to vote on a one-week funding bill to provide more time for a deal. The tie-breaker in that tug of war has certainly been the potential for stimulus getting out of this Congress before they head home for the holiday. Positive updates on the COVID-19 vaccine development along with hopes for a fresh fiscal stimulus package have helped fuel a rise in Wall Street's main indexes to all-time highs, with the S&P 500 surpassing 3,700 points for the first time on Tuesday.

Major Economic Releases for Today

Period	Event	GMT	Forecast	Previous
OCT	U.K Manufacturing Production (MoM)	07:00	0.3 %	0.2 %
OCT	U.K Industrial Production (MoM)	07:00	0.3 %	0.5 %
	ECB Interest Rate Decision	12:45	0 %	0 %
	ECB Deposit Rate Decision	12:45	-0.5 %	-0.5 %
NOV	U.S Continuing Jobless Claims	13:30	5.335 M	5.52 M
DEC	U.S Initial Jobless Claims	13:30	725 K	712 K
NOV	U.S Consumer Price Index (YoY)	13:30	1.1 %	1.2 %
	ECB Monetary Policy Statement and Press Conference	13:30		
NOV	U.S Monthly Budget Statement	19:00	\$-200 B	\$-284 B

Dow Jones Industrial Average

The Dow Jones Industrial Average fell 0.59%. The best performers of the session on the Dow Jones Industrial Average were Goldman Sachs Group Inc., which rose 1.32% or 3.16 points to trade at 242.00 at the close. Meanwhile, 3M Company added 1.11% or 1.91 points to end at 174.37 and Home Depot Inc. was up 1.15% or 3.01 points to 264.73 in late trade. The worst performers of the session were Salesforce.com Inc., which fell 3.12% or 7.11 points to trade at 220.75 at the close. Apple Inc. declined 2.45% or 3.05 points to end at 121.33 and Boeing Co was down 2.35% or 5.57 points to 231.00.

NASDAQ 100

The NASDAQ index lost 2.16%. The top performers on the NASDAQ were Greenwich Lifesciences Inc. which rose 1000.00% to 90.00, Xenetic Biosciences Inc. which was up 228.70% to settle at 3.550 and Rocket Pharmaceuticals Inc. which gained 80.74% to close at 57.89. The worst performers were Pluristem Therapeutics Inc. which was down 38.92% to 7.00 in late trade, Atossa Genetics Inc. which lost 38.64% to settle at 0.877 and Sino-Global Shipping America Ltd which was down 37.66% to 2.4000 at the close.

Oil

Oil prices settled little changed yesterday as investors weighed an unexpected jump in U.S crude stockpiles against optimism that a fast rollout of a coronavirus vaccine would fuel a recovery in global oil demand. Prices fell 1% early in the session as data showed U.S crude inventories rose by 15.2 million barrels to 503.2 million barrels last week, according to the Energy Information Administration, compared with analysts' expectations in a Reuter's poll for a 1.4 million-barrel drop. U.S net imports of crude oil rose by 2.7 million barrels per day last week, the biggest increase on record, as exports plunged. However, the advent of mass inoculations in the United Kingdom and the prospect of the U.S Food and Drug Administration approving a coronavirus vaccine in the United States pushed markets higher following the report. U.S West Texas Intermediate (WTI) crude fell 8 cents, or 0.2%, to settle at \$45.52 a barrel. U.S gasoline and distillate stockpiles were markedly higher last week.



Precious and Base Metals

Gold prices were little changed today after a steep sell-off in the previous session as a breakthrough in long-running negotiations among U.S lawmakers over a pandemic relief package remained elusive. Spot gold was steady at \$1,839.67 per ounce, after slipping as much as 2.5% yesterday. US gold futures rose 0.3% to \$1,843.50. Gold has struggled as markets are disappointed with the inability of U.S lawmakers to agree on a fiscal deal they were anticipating. The U.S House of Representatives approved a one-week extension of federal government funding, extending the time left to agree on a broader coronavirus relief package. But, the U.S Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell said on Wednesday that Congressional lawmakers were still looking for a way forward on a relief package. Gold is seen as a hedge against inflation and currency debasement. Against a backdrop of accommodative monetary policy and a weaker US dollar, gold should remain well supported with a low likelihood of a bear market. Meanwhile, Britain's medicine regulator warned against the use of Pfizer's COVID-19 vaccine for those with allergies, after two people suffered adverse reactions, cooling optimism over a smooth coronavirus vaccine rollout. Offering a glimmer of hope was comments from some U.S health officials that vaccinations could begin as soon as this weekend. We could be seeing a regime change in gold markets as its correlation to real yields has weakened, due to investors continuing to move into riskier assets, creating a challenging outlook for safe-havens like gold. In other metals, silver rose 0.4% to \$24.02 an ounce, while platinum gained 0.5% to \$1,005.24 and palladium was up 0.4% at \$2,274.79.

Traditional Agricultures

Soybean and grain futures firmed yesterday in a short-covering rebound from prior session losses and as investors took positions ahead of a monthly U.S Department of Agriculture (USDA) supply and demand report today. Wheat, which hit a two-month low this week, posted the strongest advance, while improving crop weather in South America kept a lid on gains in corn and soy. We saw some short covering ahead of the report today. The report is slated for release later in today's trading session.



Futures Settlement Price Wednesday, December 09, 2020						
Instrument	Contract	Open	High	Low	Settlement	Net Change
Dow Jones	DJ	30217	30307	29945	30042	-118
S & P 500	SP500	3708	3714.5	3659.5	3669.25	-32
NASDAQ 100	NSDQ100	12656.5	12674	12306.25	12345.75	-294.5
Gold	GO	1874.1	1874.8	1828.3	1842.8	-31.9
Silver	SL	2470.5	2472.5	2368	2404	-66
Copper	COPPER	350.3	353.45	348.6	349.85	-0.25
Crude Oil	CRUDE	45.58	46.21	44.91	45.66	0.09
Platinum	PLATINUM	866.1	872	863.5	866.6	0.5
Palladium	PALDIUM	2317.1	2364.2	2314.5	2337.4	20.8
Natural Gas	NGAS	3.005	3.061	2.996	3.021	0.016
Wheat	IWHEAT	570.25	584.5	567	583	13.5
Soybeans	ISOYBEAN	1148	1160.5	1145.25	1158.25	12.5
Corn	ICORN	420	424	419.5	423.25	3.5

Daily Swings (The Pivot Levels)							
Instrument	Trading Range						
	S3	S2	S1	Pivot	R1	R2	R3
Dow Jones	29527	29736	29889	30098	30251	30460	30613
S & P 500	3592.67	3626.08	3647.67	3681.08	3702.67	3736.08	3757.67
NASDAQ 100	11842.25	12074.25	12210.00	12442.00	12577.75	12809.75	12945.50
Gold	1775.97	1802.13	1822.47	1848.63	1868.97	1895.13	1915.47
Silver	2252.67	2310.33	2357.17	2414.83	2461.67	2519.33	2566.17
Copper	342.97	345.78	347.82	350.63	352.67	355.48	357.52
Crude Oil	43.68	44.29	44.98	45.59	46.28	46.89	47.58
Platinum	854.23	858.87	862.73	867.37	871.23	875.87	879.73
Palladium	2263.50	2289.00	2313.20	2338.70	2362.90	2388.40	2412.60
Natural Gas	2.085	2.092	2.097	3.001	3.015	3.022	3.035
Wheat	554.33	560.67	571.83	578.17	589.33	595.67	606.83
Soybeans	1133.58	1139.42	1148.83	1154.67	1164.08	1169.92	1179.33
Corn	416.00	417.75	420.50	422.25	425.00	426.75	429.50

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