



Global Markets Update

- **U.S.** Equity markets closed higher overnight, with the S&P 500 up +0.8%, NASDAQ up +1.3% and Dow Jones up +1.1%. U.S. small business optimism declined in January to the lowest since February 2021 amid inflation concerns, with a record share of U.S. small businesses raising their prices in the month to combat high costs of materials and labor.
- **Long-dated U.S. treasury yields** were higher, with the 2-Yr yield at 1.339% and the 10-Yr yield at 1.958%.
- **European markets.** European equity markets closed mixed overnight, with Stoxx Europe 600 erasing earlier gains to close flat as rising bond yields weighed on technology shares amid increasingly hawkish central banks, while falling oil on a potential de-escalation in tension over Ukraine and the resumption of Iran nuclear talks, pressured energy equities. The U.K. FTSE 100 declined -0.1% and German DAX closed +0.2% higher.
- **Asian markets.** Asian equity markets closed mostly higher overnight, with the Shanghai Composite up +0.7%, with property stocks surging after China eased a year-long cap on loans for the real estate sector to fund public rental housing. The Hang Seng declined -1.0%, as sentiment took a hit after U.S. Department of Commerce added 33 Chinese firms to its unverified list. Both KOSPI and Nikkei 225 gained +0.1%.
- **WTI oil** is trading at US\$89.54 a barrel. **Iron ore price** is at US\$132.50 per ton. **Spot gold** is trading at US\$1,826 per oz.

ASX Market Update

- **ASX performance.** The S&P/ASX 200 closed +1.07% higher yesterday. Australian business conditions deteriorated further in January, with profitability and trading conditions posting hefty falls in response to a surge in virus cases that brought acute staff shortages during the peak holiday period, however, business confidence index that reflects firms' forward views rebounded, signaling that companies were confident that the outbreak would prove short-lived.
- **Webjet Ltd (WEB)** gained +7.4%, after Prime Minister Scott Morrison revealed that Australia's international borders will open to tourists and visa holders from 21 February. **Nanosonics Ltd (NAN)** declined -4.8%, after revising its sales model with GE Healthcare in North America.
- **Today's trading.** In Australia, consumer confidence data is to be published.

Figure 1: Key Market Summary

ASX Performance	1D Chg (%)	5D Chg (%)
ASX/S&P 200	1.07%	2.6%
ASX/S&P All Ords	1.01%	2.4%

By Sector

Banks	0.83%	1.9%
Insurance	1.70%	5.1%
Diversified Financials	3.14%	4.4%
Real Estate	0.91%	0.0%
Consumer Discretionary	0.61%	1.8%
Industrials	0.53%	1.7%
Telcos	0.69%	2.5%
Utilities	0.71%	2.4%
Healthcare	0.65%	-1.2%
Consumer Staples	-0.80%	-0.2%
Energy	0.62%	5.5%
Metals & Mining	2.20%	6.9%

ASX200 Top 5	Price (A\$)	1D Chg (%)
WEBJET LTD	5.92	7.4%
MAGELLAN FINANCIAL GROUF	17.61	7.2%
FLIGHT CENTRE TRAVEL GROU	20.21	6.7%
SUNCORP GROUP LTD	12.03	5.5%
SKYCITY ENTERTAINMENT GRC	2.87	5.1%

ASX200 Bottom 5	Price (A\$)	1D Chg (%)
APPEN LTD	8.25	-7.4%
BLOCK INC - CDI	142.00	-6.3%
NEARMAP LTD	1.31	-6.1%
NANOSONICS LTD	4.80	-4.8%
POINTSBET HOLDINGS LTD	5.05	-4.2%

Market Valuations	PE-Multiple	Div. Yield
ASX200	16.8.x	4.0%
FTSE 100 Index	12.1.x	3.9%
DAX Index	13.5.x	3.0%
CAC 40 Index	14.3.x	2.9%
S&P 500 Index	20.3.x	1.5%
Dow Jones Ind. Avg	18.7.x	1.9%
NASDAQ	25.9.x	0.7%
NZX All Ords	31.3.x	2.7%
HANG SENG Index	11.5.x	3.0%
NIKKEI 225	16.6.x	1.9%
Shanghai Composite	11.2.x	2.7%

Source: Bloomberg, BTIG

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Figure 2: Around the Grounds – Price movements across key markets

	Units	Current Value	Price Performance (% Chg)			
			1-day	1-month	6-months	1-year
Developed Markets Equities						
Dow Jones	USD	35,463	1.1%	-2.1%	0.7%	13.0%
S&P 500	USD	4,522	0.8%	-3.3%	1.9%	15.5%
NASDAQ Composite	USD	14,194	1.3%	-5.0%	-4.3%	1.5%
Stoxx Europe 600	EUR	465	0.0%	-4.3%	-1.0%	13.3%
FTSE 100 (UK)	GBP	7,567	-0.1%	1.1%	6.2%	16.0%
DAX (Germany)	EUR	15,242	0.2%	-4.4%	-3.3%	8.4%
CAC (France)	EUR	7,028	0.3%	-2.6%	3.1%	23.6%
Nikkei 225	JPY	27,285	0.1%	-4.2%	-1.9%	-7.5%
ASX 200	AUD	7,187	1.1%	-3.6%	-4.7%	5.4%
ASX 200 Futures	AUD	7,102	0.3%	-3.4%	-3.3%	8.0%
Emerging Markets Equities						
MSCI Emerging Markets	USD	1,219	-0.1%	-0.6%	-5.7%	-12.9%
Hang Seng (HK)	HKD	24,329	-1.0%	3.6%	-7.4%	-17.5%
Shanghai Composite	CNY	3,453	0.7%	-3.5%	-1.2%	-4.2%
Korea	KRW	2,746	0.1%	-7.1%	-15.8%	-11.0%
Taiwan	TWD	17,967	0.4%	-1.1%	2.8%	13.7%
Brazil	BRL	112,239	0.2%	9.3%	-8.6%	-6.2%
Bombay Stock Exchange (India)	INR	57,809	0.3%	-3.2%	6.3%	12.6%
South Africa	ZAR	69,527	0.5%	3.4%	11.2%	16.6%
Foreign Exchange						
AUDUSD	Currency	0.7143	0.2%	-0.4%	-2.6%	-7.3%
AUDGBP	Currency	0.5272	-0.1%	0.2%	0.4%	6.3%
AUDEUR	Currency	0.6256	-0.4%	1.2%	-0.1%	2.2%
AUDCNY	Currency	4.54	-0.1%	0.5%	5.0%	9.6%
Commodities						
LME ALUMINUM 3MO (\$)	USD/mt	3,132	1.9%	7.5%	21.5%	55.4%
LME COPPER 3MO (\$)	USD/mt	9,778	-0.7%	1.4%	3.3%	23.6%
LME NICKEL 3MO (\$)	USD/mt	23,398	1.8%	12.8%	21.8%	29.8%
SILVER FUTURE Mar22	USD/oz	23.21	0.6%	3.6%	-5.0%	-16.1%
ICE Newc Coal Fut Mar22	USD/mt	225.00	4.2%	38.0%	74.6%	185.5%
62% Import Fine Ore in USD	USD/t	132.50	0.0%	17.6%	-25.8%	-15.1%
Gold Spot \$/Oz	USD/oz	1,826	0.3%	1.4%	5.6%	-0.3%
WTI Oil	USD/bbl	89.54	-1.9%	14.2%	35.6%	68.7%
Henry Hub	USD/mmBtu	4.37	-18.2%	14.1%	5.4%	28.7%
Corn	USD/Bu	632.25	-0.5%	4.2%	13.9%	12.2%
Wheat	USD/Bu	779.50	1.4%	2.8%	8.4%	18.9%
Fixed Interest						
10-Yr Bond Yield						
Australia	AUD	2.12%	6.3%	14.3%	78.2%	66.9%
US	USD	1.96%	2.2%	11.1%	51.0%	67.3%
Germany	EUR	0.27%	16.2%	716.3%	158.1%	159.6%
Japan	JPY	0.22%	10.7%	55.7%	1353.3%	207.0%
Italy	EUR	1.85%	3.7%	40.6%	225.2%	263.6%
Australian Rates						
Cash Rate	AUD	0.10%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
90-Day BBSW	AUD	0.07%	7.7%	7.7%	366.7%	600.0%
180-Day BBSW	AUD	0.25%	4.3%	4.3%	600.0%	1125.0%
CBOE Options						
CBOE VIX (Volatility Index)	Index	21.48	-6.0%	14.5%	33.0%	1.1%

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