

Markets

SFE 200 Futures (9.30am AEST)	7230	0	0.0
NZX 50	12803	91	0.7
DJIA Futures	34654	-23	-0.1
S&P 500 Futures	4341	-2	-0.1
NASDAQ Futures	14717		

Local Markets Commentary

The Australian market commences the first full week of July trade with an overnight Friday \$A appreciation, a batch of influential regional and domestic data due by late morning, ahead of a Reserve Bank of Australia monetary policy meeting tomorrow, and the US observing a public holiday.

Overnight Friday US international equities trade proved positive.

Locally today, the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) reports finalised May **retail sales**, following an initial estimate in June, at 11.30am AEST.

At the same time, the ABS will lodge its May **building approvals** report.

In addition, the monthly national **job vacancies** report, as compiled by ANZ, is anticipated then.

The Melbourne Institute is expected to publish its inflation gauge report also, today.

Pre-trade, the AiG has revealed a **55.5** June **construction sector activity** index. This, from 58.3 for May.

Regionally today, Caixin is due to report its June **services PMI** for **China** at **11.45am**.

In overnight Friday commodities trade, Brent **crude** posted a moderate gain, extending Thursday's increase, but WTI eased slightly.

US **gold** futures settled higher for a third consecutive session, advancing further in post-settlement trade.

Qingdao **iron ore** (CFR China, 62% fines) declined by \$US1.34/t to \$US217.98/t, and Nymex iron ore (CFR China, 62%) by \$1.13/t, closing at \$US212.46/t.

LME **copper** settled modestly lower. **Nickel** and **aluminium** turned to resume last week's earlier rallying.

The **\$A** was propelled to US75.25c after trading at ~US74.55c early Friday evening.

Overseas Markets.

INDEX	CLOSE	+/-	%
Dow Jones	34786	153	0.4
S&P 500	4352	32	0.8
NASDAQ	14639	117	0.8
FTSE 100	7123	-2	-0.0
DAX 30	15650	46	0.3
Shanghai Comp	3519	-70	-2.0

* Mineral exploration listing – **midday AEST – OZZ** *

* Diagnostic testing and analysis listing – **12.30pm AEST – LDX**

Today's Stock Watch
Tabcorp Holdings (TAH)

Webcast presentation scheduled to commence **10am** AEST. Planning to demerge the Lotteries & Keno business. Presentation lodged.

Sydney Airport (SYD)

Assessing an unsolicited, indicative \$A8.25 cash-per-stapled security scheme of arrangement and trust scheme acquisition proposal from a four-fold consortium of infrastructure investors.

SYD traded at \$5.69 - \$5.84 last week.

Crown Resorts (CWN)

Anticipating a FY21 net loss. Expecting \$90M - \$100M theoretical EBITDA, after closure costs but before significant items. ~\$900M net debt.

Planning to lodge full year results 30 August.

Stockland (SGP)

In response to media speculation, SGP confirms exclusive negotiations regarding a potential acquisition of the Halcyon Group land lease communities business.

Imugene Ltd (IMU)

Additional HER-2 immunotherapy interim analysis data presented to the ESMO World Congress on Gastrointestinal Cancer annual meeting.

The a2M Milk Company (A2M)

The New Zealand Overseas Investment Office has approved A2M's proposed acquisition of a 75% holding in Matura Valley Milk. China Agriculture Development Group Co (CADGC) subsidiary Animal Husbandry Group is retaining a 25% Matura Valley Milk interest.

CADGC is the parent company of A2M's logistics and distribution partner in China, CSFA Holdings Shanghai.

A2M traded as high as \$6.58 Friday, before settling 5.16% higher for the sessions, at \$6.52.

Resources
West African Resources (WAF)

Produced 63,601oz of Sanbrado gold during the June quarter.

Energy
Strike Energy (STX) / Warrego Energy (WGO)

STX has committed to a \$31.5M procurement for a processing facility for the WA Perth Basin West Erregulla gas field development. STX 50% and operator; WGO 50%.



Overseas Markets Commentary

Marked vacillations featured across major European, UK equities markets overnight Friday, but key US indices steadily gained.

The \$US declined ~0.3% before strengthening some, US 20-year treasury yields falling to 1.43%.

US June employment statistics were considered positive, at least in the number of jobs created.

The unemployment and participation rates appeared to concern, however.

The US June tally for new jobs created came in at 850,000, against expectations of 650,000 and following May's 583,000.

The unemployment rate rose 0.1% to 5.9% however, while the participation rate remained flat at 61.6%.

Forecasters had anticipated unemployment to fall to 5.7% and participation to rise to 61.7%.

In addition, the number of US jobs remained at ~7M fewer than before the initial Covid-19 outbreak.

June average hourly earnings were reported 0.3% higher for the month, following expectations of a 0.4% increase as estimated or May.

Against June 2020, earnings were 3.6% higher.

Also overnight Friday, **European Central Bank** (ECB) president Christine Lagarde offered, in a media interview, two reasons for higher commodity prices this year, and for these to then moderate some.

Ms Lagarde ventured euro zone price increases had come from a three-fold increase in petrol prices plus Germany's VAT, which had been raised again 1 January, after being reduced last year as a recovery measure.

Among overnight Friday **data** releases, the **euro zone's** May producer prices were reported 1.3% higher for the month and 9.6% higher than for May 2020.

Prices had risen 0.9% during April.

Some analysts attributed rising costs in general to difficulties in shipping commodities and raw goods from key nations, including India, exacerbating material and transport costs.

In the **US**, in addition to June employment figures, the May trade deficit was calculated at \$US71.2B from \$US69.1B for April and following \$US forecasts for \$US71.6B.

May factory orders rose 1.7%, exceeding expectations for a 1.2% improvement following 0.1% April fall.

Tonight, finalised euro zone and UK June services sector activity indices are due, together with a euro zone investor confidence index.

In addition, the ECB president is scheduled to speak publicly again.

US markets will remain closed tonight, due to a public holiday in commemoration of yesterday's 4 July Independence Day.

Commodities

COMMODITY	CLOSE	\$US/	+/-	%
Gold (NY) (Aug)	1783.3	oz	6.5	0.4
Silver (NY) (Sep)	26.5	oz	0.4	1.5

Pre-Open Announcements

Lumos Diagnostics Holdings (* LDX)

Point-of-care diagnostic testing and analysis specialist scheduled to list on the ASX **12.30pm** AEST, following a \$63M IPO at \$1.25 per share.

150.15M quoted shares.

Planet Innovation Holdings holds 26.72%; RPS Diagnostics holds 10.42%.

Home Co Daily Needs REIT (* HDN)

Investor teleconference scheduled to commence 10.30am AEST. Details lodged pre-trade.

Trading halt called this morning, ahead of a \$70M, \$1.45-per-share fully underwritten institutional placement, in support of a proposed \$160M acquisition of Town Centre Victoria Point, Queensland.

HDN traded at \$1.355 - \$1.50 last week, settling Friday at \$1.495.

Australian Ethical Investment (* AEF)

AEF's emerging companies fund will pay a \$2.89M performance fee, following a 51.1% FY21 return (after fees) for wholesale investors, against the benchmark S&P ASX Small Industrials index 33% return.

AVA Risk Group (* AVA)

Anticipating \$64.8M FY21 revenue, up 41% on FY20.

A \$14.8M - \$15.8M EBITDA forecast represents a 100% - 114% increase.

Planning to lodge full year results 30 August.

Kelly Partners Group (* KPG)

Planning to boost monthly dividends from 0.33c per share to 0.36c per share from this month.

Pushpay Holdings (* PPH) / Serko Ltd (SKO)

PPH CFO Shane Sampson has resigned, effective 1 October, after accepting an offer to be SKO's CFO.

Mr Sampson has been with PPH since October 2015.

He will commence with SKO 11 October.

Calix Ltd (* CXL)

MoU secured with RHI Magnesita for the development of a CXL flash calciner for refractory materials manufacturing.

Details lodged this morning.

BlueBet Holdings (* BBT)

Online betting service completed an enviable ASX listing Friday, following an \$80M IPO at \$1.14 per share.

Opened at \$2.00 and traded at \$1.70 - \$2.10 before settling at \$1.775.

22.65M shares were traded across 7816 transactions.

200.11M quoted shares.

Washington H Soul Pattinson & Company (ASX: SOL) held 1.096% on listing.



Gold (LON)	1786	oz		
Platinum	1084	oz	6	0.6
WTI Crude (NYMEX Jul)	75.16	bbl	-0.07	-0.1
Brent Crude (ICE EUR Sep)	76.17	bbl	0.33	0.4
Iron Ore (NYMEX,CHN,62%)	212.46	t	-1.13	-0.5
Copper (LME Ind)	9313	t	-25	-0.3
Nickel	18355	t	165	0.9
Aluminium	2557	t	46	1.8
Lead	2287	t	48	2.1
Zinc	2939	t	5	0.2
Tin	31460	t	170	0.5

Commodities Commentary

Oil – OPEC and OPEC+ meetings, initially scheduled for Thursday last week, were convened overnight Friday, but the only apparent agreed decision was one to continue the talks from later today.

An announcement is anticipated tonight regarding the easing, or otherwise, of OPEC+ production curbs from August, and for how long output restraints will continue.

The UAE reportedly does not want curbs to continue beyond December 2021.

Commentary out of talks with Iran regarding the 2015 international nuclear agreement is also anticipated this week.

A weekly US petroleum drill rig count, released overnight Friday, included four additional operational oil rigs.

Gold – overnight Friday trade was supported by some \$US weakening and commentary regarding US employment statistics.

This week's trade influences are expected to include US Federal Reserve policy meeting minutes and the ISM's monthly US services sector activity index.

Base metals – overnight Friday trade was influenced by an early \$US pullback, US employment statistics and industry news.

Satellite surveillance reports indicated June international copper smelting fell from that during May, mostly due to smelter maintenance closures in China.

Meanwhile, Antofagasta was reported to have secured deals to supply copper concentrate to several smelters in China for six to 12 months, variously commencing this month and January 2022.

Treatment and refining charges were claimed to be mostly in the mid-\$US50s/t, against ~\$US60/t a year ago.

Caixin's June services sector activity index for China, due today, could influence some trade tonight, as could markets being closed in the US.

Exchange Rates

CURRENCIES	LAST	+/-	%
AUD – USD	0.7521	-0.0003	-0.05
EUR – USD	1.1859	-0.0006	-0.05

Australian Data Today

AiG	PCI (construction sector activity index)	Jun
ABS	Retail sales (final)	May
ABS	Building approvals	May

Clean TeQ Water (* CNQ) / Sunrise Energy Metals (SRL)

Water treatment and resource recovery specialist CNQ commenced independent ASX trade Friday.

Opened at 80c and fell to 50c before settling at 60c.

768,077 shares changed hands across 229 trades.

CNQ was demerged from SRL.

44.666M quoted shares.

Living Cell Technologies (LCT)

Pleading ignorance in response to an ASX query regarding Friday's trade.

LCT added 30.77% for the session, settling at 1.7c after trading as high as 1.9c intra-session.

LCT had closed out the previous week at 1.2c.

Proteomics International Laboratories (PIQ)

Resuming from suspended trade with the retraction of a 25 June PromarkerD economic health benefit study announcement.

PIQ last traded at 92.5c.

Resources

Ozz Resources (* OZZ)

Mineral explorer scheduled to list on the ASX **midday** AEST, following a \$5M IPO at 20c per share.

26.96M quoted shares.

Emmerson Resources (* ERM)

Heralding a 'bonanza' gold intercept from diamond drilling within the Tennant Creek Mauretania prospect.

Neometals Ltd (* NMT)

Commissioning of the NMT-SMS Group Primobuius lithium battery recycling demonstration plant in Germany is underway.

Kingfisher Mining (* KFM)

Heralding high-grade copper and gold assays from WA Ashburton region Boolaloo project rock chip sampling.

Jervois Mining (* JRV)

\$US100M bond offer, in support of Idaho cobalt operations.

Monger Gold (* MMG) / Torian Resources (TNR)

Mineral exploration company and TNR spinoff MMG is scheduled to list on the ASX **midday** AEST **tomorrow**, following a \$5M IPO at 20c per share.

251M quoted shares.

TNR holds 10.71%.

29Metals Ltd (* 29M)

Gold and copper producer and broader minerals explorer completed its ASX Friday, following a \$527.79M IPO at \$2.00 per share.

Opened at \$1.90 and rose to \$2.07 before settling at \$2.04.

21.67M shares changed hands across 5421 transactions.

Trading commenced on a conditional and deferred settlement basis.



ANZ	Job advertisements	Jun
MelbInst	Inflation gauge	Jun

Overseas Data Today & Tonight

China	Caixin services PMI	Jun
Japan	Services PMI (final)	Jun
UK	New domestic vehicle sales	Jun
UK	Services PMI (final)	Jun
Germany	New domestic vehicle registrations	Jun
Germany	Services PMI (final)	Jun
Euro zone	Sentix investor confidence	Jul
Euro zone	Services PMI (final)	Jun

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Normal (T+2) trade is expected to commence Wednesday.
Assets include the WA Golden Grove, Queensland Capricorn Copper and Chile Redhill projects.
480.455M quoted shares.

Lode Resources (LDR)

Mineral explorer commenced its ASX listing Friday, following a \$5.115M IPO at 20c per share.
Opened at 17c and was pushed lower, settling at its lowest price of the day, 13.5c.
648,748 shares were traded across 67 trades.
35.936M quoted shares.

Energy

Stanmore Resources (SMR)

SMR has increased the limit of a secured loan facility provided by Golden Energy & Resources by \$30M to \$70M.
Funds will support the Isaac Downs project and the Mavis & Millennium acquisition.

NexGen Energy (Canada) (* NXG)

Uranium explorer completed a successful foreign-exempt ASX listing Friday, following a \$2.24M IPO at \$5.60 per CDI.
Opened at \$6.16 and was pushed higher, settling at its day one peak of \$6.70.
28,530 shares/CDIs were traded across 58 transactions.

Tamboran Resources (TBN)

Gas exploration company completed its ASX listing Friday, following a \$61M IPO at 40c per share.
Opened at 40c and traded as low as 33.5c before settling at 35c.
3.86M shares changed hands across 122 trades.
422.33M quoted shares.
Longview Petroleum Llc held ~21.86% on listing; BP-PE3 Llc held ~18.69%.

Trading Halts

Company	Code	Resuming
Ragusa Minerals	RAS	5 Jul
Sacgasco Ltd	SGC	5 Jul
Thorney Technologies	TEK	5 Jul
Carpentaria Resources	CAP	6 Jul
Highfield Resources	HFR	6 Jul
Metgasco Ltd	MEL	6 Jul
Poseidon Nickel	POS	6 Jul
Traka Resources	TKL	6 Jul
Home Co Daily Needs REIT	HDN	7 Jul

Suspensions *(select)*

Company	Code	Since
Mineral Commodities	MRC	29 Jun

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Ex-Dividends

Code	Ex-Div	Div (c)	Franking (%)	Yield (%)
CAM	Today	1.25	100	4.72
MEC	Today	2.5	100	1.99
SGLLV	Tomorrow	33	100	4.47
CKF	Wed	12.5	100	1.91
GNC	Wed	8	100	1.38
SKI	Wed	6.25	0	5.97
TRA	13 Jul	5.63	85	6.54
DBF	15 Jul	6.2	0	0.00