

Markets

SFE 200 Futures (9.30am AEDST)	6031	-1	-0.0
NZX 50	7992	17	0.2
DJIA Futures	23382	0	0.0
S&P 500 Futures	2580	0	0.0
NASDAQ Futures	6309	0	0.0

Local Markets Commentary

The Australian market opens a new week's trade on largely uninspiring leads from overnight Friday international trade and with two major domestic banks trading ex-dividend.

Among the commodities, US **gold** futures retreated. **Oil** also turned lower.

LME **copper** continued lower and **nickel** to drop. **Iron ore** (China port, 62% Fe) settled higher for a second consecutive session.

The **\$A** ultimately barely moved after trading at ~US76.60c Friday evening, but was pushed lower this morning.

Locally today, the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) publishes September lending finance figures.

Pre-trade, a capital city residential property price report is due.

Also this morning, Reserve Bank of Australia (RBA) deputy governor Guy Debelle has told a conference that the outlook and environment for business investment in Australia are each improving.

Several large-cap stocks have also lodged presentations prepared for the same Sydney conference today.

Meanwhile, **ANZ** and **WBC** trade ex-dividend today.

Overseas Markets

INDEX	CLOSE	+/-	%
Dow Jones	23422	-40	-0.2
S&P 500	2582	-2	-0.1
NASDAQ	6751	0.9	0.0
FTSE 100	7433	-51	-0.7
DAX 30	13127	-55	-0.4
Shanghai Comp	3433	5	0.1

Overseas Markets Commentary

Major European and US equities markets mostly opened lower overnight Friday, any positive sentiment sapped by little positive change for UK-European Union separation talks and implication forecasts, and expectations promised US tax change could be further away than anticipated a year ago.

In data releases, the UK's September trade deficit was reported at £11.25B following £12.35B for August.

Manufacturing output dropped 0.7% for the month and 2.7% year-on-year, but overall industrial production was up 0.7% for the month and 2.5% on an annual basis.

In the US, the initial University of Michigan November consumer sentiment reading disappointed, coming in at 97.8, following forecasts

RBA – deputy governor Guy Debelle promoted improving environment and outlook factors for *Business Investment in Australia* in a Sydney conference presentation which commenced at **9am AEDST**

Today's Stock Watch

Westpac Banking Corporation (WBC) / Australia & New Zealand Banking Group (ANZ)

Trading ex-dividend today, 94c and 80c respectively.

Suncorp Group (SUN)

SUN has appointed former Australian Government Minister for Finance Lindsay Tanner as a non-executive director, effective 1 January.

Fisher & Paykel Healthcare (FPH) / ResMed Inc (RMD)

The patents court with the High Court of Justice has ruled that FPH has not infringed RMD patents due to these becoming invalid in the UK. The judgment is subject to appeal.

Similar RMD legal action against FPH in Germany continues.

IRESS Ltd (IRE)

Anticipating 12% - 13% higher, \$435M - \$440M full-year 2017 revenue, but a fall in segment profit on a constant currency basis to \$123M - \$128M.

IRE had predicted strong second-half segment profit.

Teleconference scheduled to commence 9.30M AEDST. Access details lodged this morning.

Aurizon Holdings (AZJ)

Confirming the company is a member of a consortium investigating the purchase of the Wiggins Island coal export terminal and source mines, Queensland. At the moment, AZJ is looking at acquiring the terminal and other consortium members one or more mines.

Mesoblast Ltd (MSB)

Durability and early positive outcomes demonstrated in a Phase 2 clinical trial of MSB's MPC treatment for rheumatoid arthritis have been presented at the American College of Rheumatology AGM in California.

Elders Ltd (ELD)

\$116.0M full-year NPAT. 6% higher, \$1.6B revenue. 7.5c final and 7.5c special dividends, each fully-franked.

Praemium Ltd (PPS)

\$A7B FUA, including an additional \$1B within the past six months.

Medibank Private (MPL)

Today's AGM chairman and CEO presentations lodged.

REA Group (REA) / Xero Group (XRO)

UBS has placed 'sell's on REA and XRO, cancelling neutral ratings. The change follows a solid trend higher for REA.

Resources

Rio Tinto (RIO)

\$A750M off-market RIO Ltd share buy-back completed at \$A63.67 per share, with an 89.33% scale-back. Additional detail lodged this morning. RIO traded on the ASX last week at \$72.54 - \$75.21.

of an on-par 100.7.

Tonight, several central bankers are scheduled to speak publicly. UK PM Theresa May is due to speak on foreign policy Monday evening London time.

No major international economic data releases are expected.

In overnight Friday corporate news, German-headquartered insurer Allianz lowered its full-year outlook, citing recent earthquakes, fires and hurricanes in the Americas.

In addition, Allianz revealed a 17% drop in quarterly net profit to €1.6B, stating disasters had cost €500M during the three months.

Nonetheless, the stock was supported in part by plans for a €2B share buy-back.

US retailer **JC Penney** exceeded quarterly sales expectations, but confirmed it was expecting 1% growth at the most for full-year same store sales.

ArcelorMittal reported 21.4% higher, \$US17.63B sales for the September quarter, against \$US14.52B a year earlier. Operating profit rose 1.4% year-on-year, to \$US1.92B.

Yesterday, the annual 'Singles Day' retail event reportedly produced billions of \$US worth of sales from buyers in **China**.

Commodities

COMMODITY	CLOSE	\$US/	+/-	%
Gold (NY) (Dec)	1274	oz	-144	-1.0
Silver (NY) (Sep)	16.9	oz	-0.02	-0.1
Gold (LON)	1284	oz	-0.5	-0.0
Platinum	927	oz	-9	-1.0
WTI Crude (Nov)	56.7	bbl	-0.4	-0.8
Brent Crude (Nov)	63.5	bbl	-0.4	-0.6
Iron Ore (CHN port 62%)	62.6	t	0.3	0.5
Copper	6786	t	-22	-0.3
Nickel	12110	t	-190	-1.5
Aluminium	2101	t	8	0.4
Lead	2519	t	5	0.2
Zinc	3219	t	43	1.4
Tin	19425	t	0	0.0
CBT Wheat (Dec)	4.32	bshl	0.03	0.6

Commodities Commentary

Oil – the United Arab Emirates energy minister was reported on Friday to have claimed no production cut agreement participant is talking about not extending the arrangement past March 31 2018.

Meanwhile, a weekly US petroleum rig report calculated nine additional operational oil rigs.

Gold – traded at one-week lows overnight Friday, 4Moz sold within a 15-minute period, speculated to be from the one seller, cited as one reason for the drop.

Progress towards US tax legislation, plus a US CPI update, are expected to be among gold price movers this week.

Base metals – a softer \$US supported some overnight Friday LME trade, but demand and comparative-value debate appeared to impact *nickel* and *copper* sentiment. In addition, China is expected to reduce demand leading into winter.

GDP figures for Japan and Germany, due tomorrow, will be watched by metals sector stakeholders.

Pre-Open Announcements

Boart Longyear (* BLY)

Unaudited 14% higher year-on-year, \$US199M September quarter revenue. \$US23M net loss, against a \$US26M loss a year ago.

MACA Ltd († MLD)

'Underperforming contracts' mean MLD is anticipating \$39M - \$41M interim EBITDA and \$10M - \$12M NPAT.

Robo 3D (* RBO)

\$1.3M record monthly revenue achieved in October. Details lodged this morning.

TV2U International (* TV2)

Company founder and executive chairman Nick Fitzgerald has resumed the CEO position, following the resignation of Andy Brown, who has been CEO and a TV2 director.

TV2 non-executive director Peter Cunningham has also resigned.

TV2 proposes to appoint an independent chairman.

Ocean Grown Abalone (* OGA)

Abalone producer and seller scheduled to list 1pm AEDST tomorrow following a \$10M IPO at 25c per share.

Resources

Lucapa Diamond Company (* LOM)

129.58 carat diamond recovered from the JV Lulo project, Angola.

Energy

Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG)

Consultant and former large-company LNG specialist Joseph B'Oris has been appointed LNG chief development officer.

Trading Halts

Company	Code	Resuming
King River Copper	KRC	13 Nov
Latin Resources	LRS	13 Nov
Australia United Mining	AYM	14 Nov
eSense-Lab Ltd	ESE	14 Nov
Hastings Technology Metals	HAS	14 Nov
MMJ PhytoTech	MMJ	14 Nov

Suspensions (selected)

Company	Code	Since
Bisan Ltd	BSN	2 Nov
Blackham Resources	BLK	8 Nov
Byte Power Group	BPG	8 Nov
Caeneus Minerals	CAD	30 Oct
Cassini Resources	CZI	10 Nov
Haoma Mining	HAO	18 Oct
Oriental Technologies	OTI	1 Nov
Quest Minerals	QNL	2 Nov
Red Emperor Resources	RMP	8 Nov
ServTech Global Holdings	SVT	1 Nov
Soon Mining	SMG	23 Oct
Stargroup Ltd	STL	19 Oct
Victory Mines	VIC	10 Nov

**Exchange Rates**

CURRENCIES	LAST	+/-	%
AUD – USD	0.7654	-0.0000	-0.00
EUR – USD	1.1660	0.0002	0.02

Australian Data Today

ABS	Lending finance	Sep
Clgc	Capital city resdntl property prices	11Nov

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Wolf Petroleum WOF 30 Oct

Ex-Dividends

Code	Ex-Div	Div (c)	Fr (%)	Yield (%)
ANZ	Today	80	100	5.28
USF	Today	18	0	0.00
USG	Today	23	0	0.00
WBC	Today	94	100	5.66
ORI	Tomorrow	28	0	2.78
WBA	Tomorrow	3	100	2.22
PL8	Wed	0.45	100	0.83
TWD	Thu	16	100	6.00
AYJ	Fri	52	5	17.94
AYK	Fri	28	90	3.80
AYZ	Fri	44	100	3.59
JHG	Fri	32	0	4.82
SOL	Fri	32	100	3.06

Reports & Events

(selected scheduled)

When	Company	Report/Event
Today	BRG	AGM
	ELD	Full-year
	MPL	AGM
	NEC	AGM
Tomorrow	ABP	AGM
	CPU	AGM
	EHE	AGM
	IPL	Full-year
	NCM	AGM
	OFX	Interim
Wed	AOG	AGM
	DLX	Full-year
	NVT	AGM
	RHL	Full-year
Thu	BHP	AGM
	CBA	AGM
	GMG	AGM
	HVN	AGM
	MGR	AGM
	NWS	AGM
	PTM	AGM
	RHC	AGM
	SGH	AGM
	WES	AGM
Fri	LLC	AGM