

Daily Focus

Market Overview

USA

U.S. equities show mixed results on Thursday. NASDAQ and S&P500 dropped 0.52% and 0.22% respectively. On the other hand, Dow Jones gained 0.06%.

China

Chinese equities rose on Thursday. The Shanghai Composite Index gained 0.09% or 2.84 points to 3,074.23.

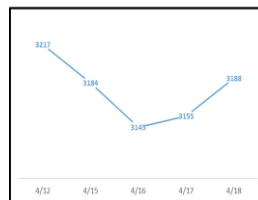
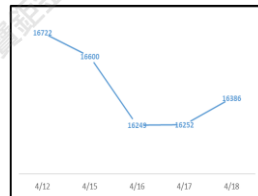
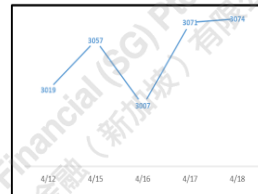
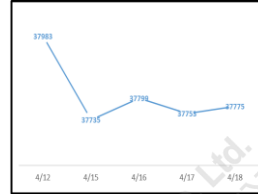
Hong Kong

Hong Kong equities rose on Thursday. The Hang Seng Index gained 0.82% or 134.03 points to 16,385.87.

Singapore

Singapore equities rose on Thursday. The Strait Time Index gained 1.05% or 32.97 points to 3,187.66.

Major Market Indexes



Market	Price	Change	Change%
USA			
DJIA	37775.38	↑ 22.07	0.06%
Nasdaq	15601.50	↓ -81.87	-0.52%
S&P500	5011.12	↓ -11.09	-0.22%
Europe			
FTSE100	7877.05	↑ 29.06	0.37%
CAC40	8023.26	↑ 41.75	0.52%
DAX	17837.40	↑ 67.38	0.38%
STOXX600	499.70	↑ 1.18	0.24%
Asia			
Nikkei 225	38079.70	↑ 117.90	0.31%
Shanghai	3074.23	↑ 2.84	0.09%
Hang Seng	16385.87	↑ 134.03	0.82%
STI	3187.66	↑ 32.97	1.05%
JCI	7166.81	↑ 35.97	0.50%
WTSE	20301.20	↓ -507.39	-2.50%
Forex			
EURUSD	1.06	↓ -0.0030	-0.28%
GBPUSD	1.24	↓ -0.0018	-0.14%
USDJPY	154.64	↑ 0.2500	0.16%
USDCNH	7.25	↑ 0.0056	0.08%
USDHKD	7.83	↑ 0.0010	0.01%
USDSGD	1.36	↑ 0.0017	0.13%
USDIDR	16179.00	↓ -41.00	-0.25%
Commodity			
Gold	2382.30	↑ 10.60	0.45%
WTI Oil	82.73	↑ 0.04	0.05%



The US imposed fresh sanctions on Iran over its April 13 strike on Israel, targeting 16 people and entities including a company that helped make engines for the type of drones launched in the barrage. The sanctions also targeted subsidiaries of the Iranian automaker Bahman Group, which the Treasury Department said has supported Iran's Islamic Revolutionary Guards Corps, as well as customers of a steel company that brings in billions of dollars of revenue for Iran every year.



CPI for the Japan rose 2.7% on a year-on-year basis in March, lower than median estimate of 2.8% and February's reported CPI of 2.8%.



Unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted) for Hong Kong was 3.0% in March, higher than median estimate and February's reported unemployment rate of 2.9%.



RPI for U.K. rose 4.3% on a year-on-year basis in March, higher than median estimate of 4.2%, but lower than February's reported RPI of 4.5%.

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