

Daily Focus

Market Overview

USA

US equities ended higher on Thursday. Dow Jones, the S&P 500 and Nasdaq gained 1.48%, 1.21% and 1.04% respectively.

China

Chinese equities rose slightly on Thursday. The Shanghai Composite Index gained 0.38% or 13.73 points to 3,642.22.

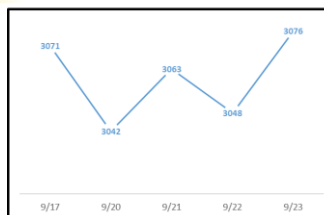
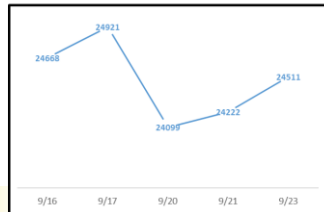
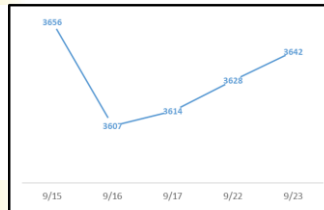
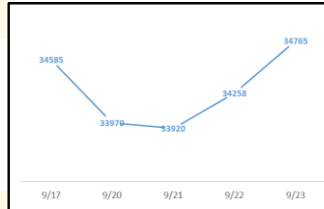
Hong Kong

Hong Kong equities closed higher on Thursday. The Hang Seng Index climbed 1.19% or 289.44 points to 24,510.98.

Singapore

Singapore equities ended higher on Thursday. The Straits Times Index rose 0.93% to 3,076.44.

Major Market Indexes



Market	Price	Change	Change%
USA			
DJIA	34764.82	↑ 506.50	1.48%
Nasdaq	15052.24	↑ 155.39	1.04%
S&P500	4448.98	↑ 53.34	1.21%
Europe			
FTSE100	7078.35	↓ -5.02	-0.07%
CAC40	6701.98	↑ 64.98	0.98%
DAX	15643.97	↑ 137.23	0.88%
STOXX600	467.50	↑ 4.30	0.93%
Asia			
Nikkei 225	29639.40	↓ -200.31	-0.67%
Shanghai	3642.22	↑ 13.73	0.38%
Hang Seng	24510.98	↑ 289.44	1.19%
STI	3076.44	↑ 28.39	0.93%
JCI	6142.71	↑ 34.45	0.56%
TWSE	17078.22	↑ 152.40	0.90%
Forex			
EURUSD	1.17	↑ 0.0052	0.44%
GBPUSD	1.37	↑ 0.0098	0.72%
USDJPY	110.33	↑ 0.5500	0.50%
USDCNH	6.46	↓ -0.0038	-0.06%
USDHKD	7.78	↓ -0.0020	-0.03%
USDSGD	1.35	↓ -0.0048	-0.35%
USDIDR	14243.00	→ 0.0000	0.00%
Commodity			
Gold	1747.70	↓ -29.00	-1.63%
WTI Oil	73.30	↑ 1.07	1.48%



U.S. initial jobless claims increased to 351,000 last week, higher than the median estimate of 320,000.



According to media reports, Chinese authorities are asking local governments to prepare for the potential downfall of debt-ridden China Evergrande Group.



The Bank of England maintained its benchmark interest rate at 0.1% on Thursday. It also said that inflation would "temporarily" rise above 4% in the final quarter of the year.



Preliminary estimates for the Eurozone Manufacturing PMI fell from 61.4 in August to 58.7 in September, lower than the median estimate of 60.3.

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