



WORLD EQUITY INDICES

Index	Value	%Chg	%YTD
Dow Jones	10,320.10	0.49	-1.04
S&P 500	1,090.10	0.91	-2.24
Nasdaq 100	1,840.58	1.13	-1.06
AEX	326.57	0.39	4.38
DAX	6,083.85	0.17	2.12
FTSE 100	5,371.04	0.39	-0.77
OSEBX	405.78	-0.32	-3.41
OMX	326.01	0.04	8.85
Nikkei 225	9,114.93	0.57	-14.45
Hang Seng	20,882.14	0.00	-3.95
Shanghai	2,649.66	-0.23	-19.15

FOREX

Currency	Price	%Chg
EUR/USD	1.2820	0.21
USD/CHF	1.0127	-0.10
GBP/USD	1.5418	0.10
USD/JPY	84.2450	0.06
USD/DKK	5.8083	-0.17
USD/NOK	6.1479	-0.63
USD/SEK	7.2554	-0.52

SELECTED EQUITIES

Equity	Price	%Chg	%YTD
Alstom (€)	39.22	0.65	-20.07
Amazon.com	135.21	2.05	0.51
Apple Inc	252.17	0.74	19.66
Arts Way	6.10	5.35	43.87
Blackstone	10.23	-2.01	-22.03
BP Plc ADR	36.57	1.13	-36.92
Cisco Inc	20.52	1.28	-14.29
Citigroup Inc	3.88	0.84	17.22
Dell Inc	12.36	1.98	-13.93
Diana Shipping	12.28	-0.16	-15.19
Dry Shipping	4.40	-0.45	-24.40
DS Norden (Dkk)	231.90	-0.04	10.69
Ebay Inc	24.06	0.12	2.25
Ericsson ADR	10.38	1.07	12.95
First Solar	134.89	3.63	-0.38
GE Corp	15.15	0.93	0.13
Google Inc	463.18	0.62	-25.29
HewlettPackard	39.68	1.20	-22.97
Infinion ADR	0.00	0.00	
Intel Corp	18.28	0.77	-10.39
Microsoft Corp	23.94	0.17	-21.46
Monsanto	54.35	0.67	-33.52
Mosaic	58.35	-0.21	-2.31
Motorola Inc	7.86	1.71	1.29
Nokia ADR	9.04	1.57	-32.28
Nvidia	9.57	1.80	-48.77
Potash of S.	148.55	1.78	36.91
Research in Motion	44.15	0.04	-34.63
Sandisk	36.01	3.45	24.22
Spare Backup, Inc	0.12	-4.00	-10.45
Syngenta (CHF)	240.70	0.92	-17.20
Wal-Mart Inc	51.76	1.09	-3.16
Yahoo! Inc	13.51	1.05	-19.49

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Equity	Price	%Chg	%YTD
Agrium	71.71	1.54	16.60
Apple Comp. Inc	252.17	0.74	19.66
Applied Mat. Inc	10.79	0.75	-22.60
BHP Billiton ADR	70.20	0.09	-8.33
BP PLC ADR	36.57	1.13	-36.92
Corning	16.45	0.80	-14.81
Eastman Kodak	4.00	5.82	-5.21
Ericsson AB (ADR)	10.38	1.07	12.95
First Solar	134.89	3.63	-0.38
Ford	11.71	0.86	17.10
Goodyear Tyres	10.13	6.30	-28.16
Google Inc	463.18	0.62	-25.29
Halliburton Co.	30.13	1.35	0.13
Monsanto	54.35	0.67	-33.52
Mosaic	58.35	-0.21	-2.31
Syngenta (CHF)	240.70	0.92	-17.20
Average %YTD	§		8.02

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HEADLINES

- Wall Street moved higher for a second day on the back of positive economic news. The Dow Jones rose 50 to 10,320 and the S&P was up 10 at 1,090.**
- Pending sales of existing U.S. homes unexpectedly climbed 5.2 percent in July from a record low, and initial jobless claims decreased, signaling the resilience of the pickup.
 - Chinese investors approached Alberta Investment Management Corp. to consider a joint counterbid for Potash Corp. of Saskatchewan Inc., the Canadian pension fund's chief executive officer said.
 - H&R Block Inc. (HRB:US) rose 3.8 percent to \$13.05. The biggest U.S. tax preparer reported a narrower quarterly loss from continuing operations as Chief Executive Officer Alan Bennett looks for a strategy to win back customers.
 - Krispy Kreme Doughnuts Inc. (KKD:US): The doughnut chain boosted its 2011 forecast for operating income excluding some charges to \$13 million to \$17 million.
 - Take-Two Interactive Software Inc. (TTWO:US) soared 15 percent to \$10.15. The publisher of the "Grand Theft Auto" video games reported an unexpected third-quarter profit and boosted its earnings outlook on sales of the newest release, "Red Dead Redemption."
 - U.S. Airways Group Inc. (LCC:US) rose 0.3 percent to \$9.68. The company said its August passenger revenue per available seat mile increased an estimated 15 percent.
 - The October Crude contract traded at \$74.63 a barrel in electronic trading on the New York Mercantile Exchange. Crude gained yesterday after an explosion on a Gulf of Mexico oil and gas platform prompted speculation that tighter regulations will cut production.
 - Yesterday's data included: Initial Claims 472k (475k), Continuing Claims 4456k (4460k), Productivity Q2 -1.8% (-1.4%), Unit Labor Costs 1.1% (1.1%), Factory Orders 0.1% (0.1%) and Pending Home Sales 5.2% (-1.0%)
 - Economic data expected today: Non Farm Payrolls (-106k), Unemployment Rate (9.6%), Hourly Earnings (0.1%), Average Workweek (34.2) and ISM Services (51.0)

GENERAL MARKETS AND ECONOMICS

The **Stoxx Europe 600 Index** fell 0.01 point to 258.18. The **Stoxx 50 Index** lost 0.2 percent to 2,510.08. The **Euro Stoxx 50 Index**, a benchmark for nations using the euro, decreased 0.08 point to 2,715.19.

Agta Record AG (AGTA FP): The maker of automatic and sliding doors reported net revenue of 3.1 million euros for the first half of the year, down from 6.1 million euros. The shares were unchanged at 16 euros.

Natixis SA (KN FP): The investment bank named **Ghislain Mattlinger** its finance director. Shares fell 0.7 percent to 4.41 euros.

Vinci SA (DG FP): The world's biggest builder's Vinci Park unit bought Meteor Parking in the U.K. Shares climbed 1.3 percent to 36.75 euros.

Vivendi SA (VIV FP): Vivendi's pay-TV unit Canal Plus reported net income of 23 million euros for the first half of the year, up from 19 million euros a year earlier. Shares gained 0.7 percent to 19.47 euros.

Von Roll Holding AG (ROL SW): The wire-insulation manufacturing company named Stephan Kellmann chief financial officer as of Sept. 15 to succeed Markus Scherbel who leaves the company. The stock rose 3.3 percent to 5.59 francs.

BAE Systems Plc (BA/LN): Europe's largest defense company said it won a \$629 million contract from the U.S. Mine Resistant Ambush Protected Joint Program Office to upgrade 1,700 Cannon MRAP vehicles. The shares rose 2.5 percent to 302 penny.

BP Plc (BP/LN): The oil company's effort to permanently plug the Gulf of Mexico well that caused the largest U.S. offshore oil spill may resume today, National Incident Commander Thad Allen said. The work has been stalled since Aug. 30 by rough seas. The shares rose 2.1 percent to 388.8 pence.

DSG International Plc (DSGI LN): The U.K.'s largest consumer-electronics retailer, said same-store stores rose 3 percent in the 12 weeks through July 24, led by a 6 percent increase in the U.K. and Ireland. The company remains "cautious" about the economic climate. The shares rallied 5.2 percent to 25.36 pence.

Go-Ahead Group Plc (GOG LN): London's biggest bus operator said net income rose to 17.2 million pounds in the 12 months ended July 3 from 6.3 million pounds a year earlier. Sales were little changed at 2.2 billion pounds. The stock fell 0.6 percent to 1,088 penny.

Hays Group Plc (HAS LN): Britain's largest recruitment company said full-year pretax profit dropped 80 percent to 29.7 million pounds in the year ended June 30. The stock rose 4.2 percent to 94 penny.

McBride Plc (MCB LN): The company said full-year revenue rose to 812.2 million pounds from 792.4 million pounds for the year earlier. The stock gained 1.1 percent to 141 penny.

Restaurant Group Plc (RTN LN): The U.K. owner of the Frankie and Benny's chain said first-half pretax profit advanced to 24.6 million pounds from 21.7 million pounds the year earlier. The shares rose 0.8 percent to 243 penny. (Bloomberg)

U.S. stocks rose, with the Standard & Poor's 500 Index building on its biggest rally in almost two months, after retail sales improved, initial jobless claims fell and pending home sales unexpectedly increased.

Nordstrom Inc., J.C. Penney Co. and Limited Brands Inc. advanced at least 3.2 percent after reporting August same-store sales that beat analyst estimates. Burger King Holdings Inc. gained 25 percent after affiliates of 3G Capital offered \$4 billion for the company. **Mariner Energy Inc.** sank 2.6 percent after an explosion at its Gulf of Mexico rig.

The **S&P 500** increased 0.9 percent to 1,090.10 at 4 p.m. in New York, the biggest two-day gain since early July. The **Dow Jones Industrial Average** climbed 50.63 points, or 0.5 percent, to 10,320.10.

Stocks rebounded yesterday from the biggest August plunge in nine years, with the S&P 500 surging 3 percent, as faster-than-estimated growth in manufacturing tempered concern that the global economy will slow as governments withdraw stimulus measures. The S&P 500 remains 10 percent below this year's high in April amid concern that a slowdown in the economic recovery is harming the profitability of its companies.

Retailers helped shares of consumer discretionary companies climb the most of 10 industry groups in the S&P 500. August same-store sales rose 3.5 percent, according to Retail Metrics Inc., beating the group's forecast of 2.8 percent as back-to-school discounts and tax holidays lured consumers to malls.

Nordstrom advanced 8.1 percent to \$32.76, the most in the S&P 500. The department-store chain with more than 100 namesake locations said August comparable sales rose 6.3 percent, beating analyst estimates for a 5.5 percent growth.

J.C. Penney rose 3.2 percent to \$21.41. The third-biggest U.S. department-store chain said August same-store sales increased 2.3 percent, compared with growth of 1.6 percent in an analyst survey.

Limited Brands Inc. climbed 6.1 percent to \$25.75. Sales at the owner of the Victoria's Secret chain climbed 10 percent, more than the 7 percent average of analysts' estimates compiled by Retail Metrics.

Abercrombie & Fitch Co. fell 3.9 percent to \$35.16, the most in the S&P 500. While same store sales rose in August, promotions probably contributed to the gain, and sales growth is decelerating. **Howard Rubin**, an analyst at RBC Capital Markets, said in a report.

Burger King surged 25 percent to \$23.59 after it agreed to be acquired by 3G Capital in a deal valued at \$4 billion including debt, giving the New York investment firm control over the second-largest U.S. hamburger chain. The \$24-a-share price is 46 percent more than Burger King's \$16.45 close on Aug. 31, before reports of a deal surfaced.

Wendy's/Arby's Group Inc., the third-largest U.S. fast-food chain, rose 6.8 percent to \$4.40.

3Par Inc. rose 2.5 percent to \$32.88. **Hewlett-Packard Co.** offered to buy the maker of storage systems for about \$2.3 billion, ending an 18-day battle with Dell Inc. and stepping up its rivalry with EMC Corp. Dell rose 2 percent to \$12.36.

Mariner Energy sank 2.6 percent to \$22.75 after the Coast Guard said the company's platform in the Gulf of Mexico was struck by an explosion, U.S. Coast Guard Petty Officer Casey Ranel said in a telephone interview.

Apache Corp., the energy company that last month agreed to buy \$7 billion in assets of BP Plc after BP's Gulf of Mexico well caused the biggest U.S. offshore oil spill, fell 1.3 percent to \$91.30.

Homebuilders and home-improvement retailers advanced after the industry report. **D.R. Horton Inc.**, the second-largest U.S. homebuilder by revenue, rose 2.5 percent to \$10.98. **Home Depot Inc.**, the biggest home-improvement retailer, gained 2.6 percent to \$29.41. **Low's Cos.**, Home Depot's rival, advanced 3.3 percent to \$21.94. (Bloomberg)