

Daily Outlook

GLOBAL STOCK INDEX

DJIA

Wall Street's main indexes posted record closing highs on Monday after President Donald Trump said an initial U.S.-China trade pact would be signed soon, while Boeing gave the Dow a big boost after the planemaker ousted its chief executive officer.

Boeing Co shares, which have a particularly big influence on the Dow Jones Industrial Average, gained 2.9% and also lifted the S&P 500 industrials sector. CEO Dennis Muilenburg's exit followed a prolonged crisis in which Boeing halted production of its best-selling 737 MAX jetliner following two fatal crashes. Trump over the weekend said the United States and China would "very shortly" sign their so-called Phase 1 trade pact, which was announced earlier this month and has helped propel the U.S. stock market to records.

The S&P 500 notched a record closing high for a third straight session on Monday and hit an intraday all-time high for an eighth straight session. The Nasdaq closed at a record high for an eighth straight session.

Additionally, China will lower tariffs on products ranging from frozen pork and avocado to some types of semiconductors next year.

The Dow Jones Industrial Average rose 96.44 points, or 0.34%, to 28,551.53, the S&P 500 gained 2.79 points, or 0.09%, to 3,224.01 and the Nasdaq Composite added 20.69 points, or 0.23%, to 8,945.65.

Energy and industrials were the best-performing S&P 500 sectors, while utilities lagged the most.

Trading volume is expected to be sparse in a trading week shortened by the Christmas holiday. On Monday, roughly 5.9 billion shares changed hands on U.S. exchanges, well below the 7.2 billion daily average over the last 20 sessions.

The benchmark S&P 500 has climbed more than 28% so far in 2019, helped by improving investor sentiment over trade relations, interest rate cuts by the Federal Reserve and optimism the economy will avoid a severe downturn at least in the near term.

Data on Monday showed new orders for U.S.-made capital goods barely rose in November and shipments fell, suggesting business investment will probably remain a drag on economic growth in the fourth quarter.

Nikkei

Tokyo's benchmark Nikkei index inched up on Monday, helped by rallies on Wall Street and sustained positive sentiment on US-China trade.

The Nikkei 225 index rose 0.02 per cent, or 4.48 points, to close at 23,821.11, but the broader Topix index was down 0.21 per cent, or 3.65 points, at 1,729.42.

US President Donald Trump said on Friday he had a "very good talk" with his Chinese counterpart Xi Jinping on a partial resolution of the trade war.

Mr Trump tweeted that China "already started large scale" increases in purchases of US farm goods, in line with the deal.

However, he did not give a date for when the so-called "phase one" agreement will actually be signed.

The comments helped boost US stocks on Friday, with all three major indices ending at all-time highs and the dollar edging higher against its major peers.

The US dollar fetched 109.42 yen in Asian afternoon trade against 109.47 yen in New York late on Friday.

In Tokyo trade, Sony rose 0.90 per cent to 7,392 yen and Toyota gained 0.28 per cent to 7,766 yen, with Nintendo up 0.13 per cent at 43,260 yen.

But market heavyweight SoftBank Group lost 0.23 per cent to 4,663 yen and Uniqlo-operator Fast Retailing edged down 0.09 per cent to 66,590 yen.

Kospi

South Korean shares ended flat on Monday as investors booked profits, with the benchmark index hovering near an eight-month high, while latest exports data had a limited impact. The South Korean won and the benchmark bond yield fell.

South Korean exports fell again in the first 20 days of December, but a recovery in demand from China and stabilising chip prices offered signs that a year-long run of declines may be nearing its end.

Foreigners' buying of South Korean stocks faded and it seems like investors booked profits as the index hovered above 2,200 points, said Lee Young-gon, an analyst at Hana Financial Investment.

The Seoul stock market's main Kospi fell 0.47 points, or 0.02 per cent, to 2,203.71. Rising as much as 5.5 per cent so far this month, the major index hit its highest intraday level since May 3 on Dec 17. It has since been hovering around the same level.

Foreigners were net buyers of 26.1 billion won (\$30.4 million) worth of shares on the main board.

The won was quoted at 1,164.3 per US dollar on the onshore settlement platform, 0.32 per cent lower than its previous close at 1,160.6.

In offshore trading, the won was quoted at 1,163.5 per US dollar, down 0.4 per cent from the previous

	<p>day, while in non-deliverable forward trading its one-month contract was quoted at 1,162.1 per dollar.</p>
<p><u>Hang Seng & Shanghai</u></p>	<p>➤ Hong Kong stocks ended near a five-month peak in thin trade on Monday, boosted by optimism that the United States and China would soon sign their phase one trade pact. The Hang Seng index rose 0.1%, to 27,906.41 in holiday-thinned trade. The China Enterprises Index gained 0.2%, to 11,052.68.</p> <p>U.S. President Donald Trump gave markets more reasons to cheer on Saturday when he said the United States and China would “very shortly” sign their so-called Phase 1 trade pact. China will lower tariffs on products ranging from frozen pork and avocado to some types of semiconductors next year as Beijing looks to boost imports amid a slowing economy and a trade war with the United States.</p> <p>Hong Kong is gearing up for demonstrations over Christmas week with protesters planning events in districts across the city, including in prime shopping malls, the latest in more than six months of unrest. Chinese president Xi Jinping said on Friday China would never allow foreign forces to interfere in its special regions, including Hong Kong, as he swore in a new pro-Beijing government for the gambling hub of Macau.</p> <p>➤ China stocks on Monday posted their worst single-day drop in six weeks, weighed down by a correction in tech shares after a state fund announced plans to cut its stakes in some of these companies, while focus remained on the Sino-U.S. trade deal. The blue-chip CSI300 index fell 1.3% to 3,967.10, while the Shanghai Composite Index dropped 1.4% to 2,962.75, both their steepest drop since Nov. 11.</p> <p>The National Integrated Circuitry Investment Fund, also known as the “Big Fund”, planned to cut its stakes in Gigadevice Semiconductor 603501.SS, chipmaker Shenzhen Goodix Technology 603160.SS and Hunan Goke Microelectronics 300672.SZ by about one percentage point each, according to those companies’ statements.</p> <p>These three stocks as well as the broader tech sector came under pressure after the announcement. The CSI IT index and CSI telecoms services index sank 2.6% and 2.9%, respectively.</p> <p>The strong gains in China’s growth stocks this year have more than factored in most of the expectations for their earnings in next two to three years, Luo Kun, an analyst with Fortune Securities, wrote in a report.</p> <p>For the short-term, the A-share market is expected to consolidate recent gains while awaiting for new upward momentum following the Sino-U.S. trade deal, Luo added.</p> <p>Leading brokerage China Merchants Securities noted the state fund’s plan could dent market sentiment for the short-term, though China’s long-term support for tech sector will remain intact. Foreigners have spent a record 190 billion yuan (\$27.11 billion) via the Stock Connect so far in 2019 purchasing shares listed on the tech-heavy Shenzhen Stock Exchange.</p> <p>They bought China’s A-shares via the Stock Connect for the 28th session on Monday, the longest buying spell this year.</p> <p>U.S. President Donald Trump on Saturday said the United States and China would “very shortly” sign their so-called Phase One trade pact.</p> <p>China will lower tariffs on products ranging from frozen pork and avocado to some types of semiconductors next year as Beijing looks to boost imports amid a slowing economy and a trade war with the United States.</p>

Closing Prices – 23 December 2019					
	CLOSE	CHANGE		CLOSE	CHANGE
.DJI	28551.53	↑ 96.44/0.34%	.N225	23821.11	↑ 4.48/0.02%
/.SPX	3224.01	↑ 2.79/0.09%	.KS200	2203.71	↓ 0.47/0.02%
/.IXIC	8945.65	↑ 20.69/0.23%	.HSI	27906.41	↑ 35.06/0.13%
JPY=	109.40	↓ 0.08/0.07%	/.SSEC	2962.75	↓ 42.19/1.40%
KRW=	1164.08	↑ 3.73/0.32%	/CLc1 (Oil)	60.62	↑ 0.28/0.46%

ECONOMIC INDICATORS

DATE	WIB	CTY	INDICATORS	PER	ACTUAL	FORECAST	PREV.	REV.	
Mon/23-Dec-19	07:00	KR	Exports 20 Days YoY	Dec		--	-9.6%		
	07:00	KR	Imports 20 Days YoY	Dec		--	-11.2%		
	07:30	AU	Private Sector Credit MoM	Nov	0.1%	0.2%	0.1%		
	07:30	AU	Private Sector Credit YoY	Nov	2.3%	2.4%	2.5%		
	11:30	JP	All Industry Activity Index MoM	Oct	-4.3%	-4.3%	1.5%	1.9%	
	12:00	JP	Coincident Index	Oct F	95.3	--	94.8		
	12:00	JP	Leading Index CI	Oct F	91.6	--	91.8		
	20:30	US	Cap Goods Orders Nondef Ex Air	Nov P	0.1%	0.2%	1.1%		
	20:30	US	Cap Goods Ship Nondef Ex Air	Nov P	-0.3%	0.0%	0.8%	0.7%	
	20:30	US	Chicago Fed Nat Activity Index	Nov	0.56	-0.31	-0.71	-0.76	
	20:30	US	Durable Goods Orders	Nov P	-2.0%	1.5%	0.5%	0.2%	
	20:30	US	Durables Ex Transportation	Nov P	0.0%	0.2%	0.5%	0.3%	
	20:30	CA	GDP MoM	Oct	-0.1%	0.0%	0.1%		
	20:30	CA	GDP YoY	Oct	1.2%	1.4%	1.6%		
	22:00	US	New Home Sales	Nov	719k	730k	733k		
	22:00	US	New Home Sales MoM	Nov	1.3%	-0.4%	-0.7%		
Tue/24-Dec-19	06:50	JP	BOJ Minutes of October Policy Meeting						
	All	IT	Holiday (Christmas Eve)						
	All	DE	Holiday (Christmas Eve)						
	22:00	US	Richmond Fed Manufacturing Index	Dec		1	-1		
Wed/25-Dec-19	06:50	JP	PPI Services YoY	Nov		--	2.1%		
	All	AU	Holiday (Christmas Day)						
	All	HK	Holiday (Christmas Day)						
	All	KR	Holiday (Christmas Day)						
	All	CH	Holiday (Christmas Day)						
	All	CA	Holiday (Christmas Day)						
	All	FR	Holiday (Christmas Day)						
	All	IT	Holiday (Christmas Day)						
	All	DE	Holiday (Christmas Day)						
	All	GB	Holiday (Christmas Day)						
	All	US	Holiday (Christmas Day)						
Thu/26-Dec-19	All	AU	Holiday (Boxing Day)						
	12:00	JP	Construction Orders YoY	Nov		--	6.4%		
	All	HK	Holiday (The First Weekday after Christmas Day)						
	All	CA	Holiday (Boxing Day)						
	All	FR	Holiday (Boxing Day)						
	All	DE	Holiday (Boxing Day)						
	All	CH	Holiday (St Stephen's Day)						
	All	GB	Holiday (Boxing Day)						
20:30	US	Continuing Claims	Dec-14		--	--			
20:30	US	Initial Jobless Claims	Dec-21		--	--			
Fri/27-Dec-19	04:00	KR	Consumer Confidence	Dec		--	100.9		
	06:30	JP	Jobless Rate	Nov		2.4%	2.4%		
	06:30	JP	Job-To-Applclicant Ratio	Nov		1.57	1.57		
	06:50	JP	BOJ Summary of Opinions						
	06:50	JP	Industrial Production MoM	Nov P		-1.5%	-4.5%		
	06:50	JP	Industrial Production YoY	Nov P		--	-7.7%		
	06:50	JP	Retail Sales MoM	Nov		--	-14.4%		
	06:50	JP	Retail Sales YoY	Nov		--	-7.1%		
	08:30	CN	Industrial Profits YoY	Nov		--	-9.9%		
	N/A	CN	BoP Current Account Balance	3Q F		--	\$54.9b		
	27-Dec - 30-Dec	N/A	DE	Retail Sales MoM	Nov		--	-1.90%	
	27-Dec - 30-Dec	N/A	DE	Retail Sales NSA YoY	Nov		--	0.8%	
	16:00	EZ	ECB Publishes Economic Bulletin						
	16:30	GB	UK Finance Loans for Housing	Nov		--	41219		
	18:00	CA	CFIB Business Barometer	Dec		--	56.1		
	23:00	US	DOE Cushing OK Crude Inventory	Dec-20		--	-265k		
23:00	US	DOE U.S. Crude Oil Inventories	Dec-20		--	-1085k			
23:00	US	DOE U.S. Distillate Inventory	Dec-20		--	1509k			
23:00	US	DOE U.S. Gasoline Inventories	Dec-20		--	2529k			
Sat/28-Dec-19	01:00	US	Baker Hughes U.S. Rig Count	Dec-27		--	--		
28-Dec - 03-Jan	N/A	GB	Nationwide House PX MoM	Dec		--	0.5%		
28-Dec - 03-Jan	N/A	GB	Nationwide House Px NSA YoY	Dec		--	0.8%		

Dow Jones (DJ – Mar)

Exp. Date: 20 Mar 2020



RESISTANCE	28696	
	28637	
	28590	
SUPPORT	28484	
	28425	
	28378	
SUGGESTION	BUY	28515
	SELL	---
	S/L	28415
	T/P:	28665 28715

DATE	OPEN	HIGH	LOW	RANGE	CLOSE	SETTLE	CHANGE	CHANGE %	VOLUME
23 Dec	28486	28577	28471	106	28544	28544	↑ 69	0.24	--

WEEKLY		DECEMBER		2019	
HIGH	LOW	HIGH	LOW	HIGH	LOW
28577 (23/Dec)	28471 (23/Dec)	28577 (23/Dec)	27309 (03/Dec)	28577 (23/Dec)	22563 (04/Jan)

Nikkei (NIK – Mar)

Exp. Date: 12 Mar 2020



RESISTANCE	23980	
	23920	
	23845	
SUPPORT	23710	
	23650	
	23575	
SUGGESTION	BUY	23740
	SELL	---
	S/L	23640
	T/P:	23890 23940

DATE	OPEN	HIGH	LOW	RANGE	CLOSE	SETTLE	CHANGE	CHANGE%	VOLUME
23 Dec	23840	23860	23725	135	23770	23770	↓ 30	0.13	--

WEEKLY		DECEMBER		2019	
HIGH	LOW	HIGH	LOW	HIGH	LOW
23860 (23/Dec)	23725 (23/Dec)	24105 (16/Dec)	22900 (03/Dec)	24105 (16/Dec)	19205 (04/Jan)

Kospi 200 (KOS – Mar)

Exp. Date: 12 Mar 2020



RESISTANCE	295.71	
	294.68	
	293.31	
SUPPORT	290.91	
	289.88	
	288.51	
SUGGESTION	BUY	291.65
	SELL	---
	S/L	290.65
	T/P:	293.15 294.15

DATE	OPEN	HIGH	LOW	RANGE	CLOSE	SETTLE	CHANGE	CHANGE %	VOLUME
23 Dec	293.60	293.65	291.25	2.40	291.95	291.95	↓ 0.20	0.07	---

WEEKLY		DECEMBER		2019	
HIGH	LOW	HIGH	LOW	HIGH	LOW
293.65 (23/Dec)	291.25 (23/Dec)	293.65 (23/Dec)	272.70 (05/Dec)	293.65 (23/Dec)	250.95 (06/Aug)

Hang Seng (HAS – Dec)

Exp. Date: 30 Dec 2019



RESISTANCE	28256	
	28165	
	28020	
SUPPORT	27784	
	27693	
	27548	
SUGGESTION	BUY	27850
	SELL	---
	S/L	27750
	T/P:	28000 28100

DATE	OPEN	HIGH	LOW	RANGE	CLOSE	SETTLE	CHANGE	CHANGE %	VOLUME
23 Dec	28047	28073	27846	227	27858	27858	↓ 83	0.30	---

WEEKLY		DECEMBER		2019	
HIGH	LOW	HIGH	LOW	HIGH	LOW
28073 (23/Dec)	27846 (23/Dec)	28073 (23/Dec)	25965 (04/Dec)	30336 (15/Apr)	24814 (15/Aug)



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