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# Market Commentary

Prices as of 4:15 p.m. ET - Source: Bloomberg, Wall Street Journal

MAJOR	INDEX	PERFO	RMANCE
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Index	Price	Chg	% Chg	YTD*
Dow Jones Industrials	15105.12	48.92	0.32	15.27
Dow Jones Transports	6411.14	13.80	0.22	20.81
Dow Jones Utilities	520.26	-6.23	-1.18	14.82
S&P 500	1632.69	6.73	0.41	14.48
S&P 400 Mid-Cap	1186.46	5.26	0.45	16.27
S&P 600 Small-Cap	545.33	2.26	0.42	14.43
S&P 500/Citigroup Growth *	865.21	3.51	0.41	13.64
S&P 500/Citigroup Value *	758.41	3.17	0.42	15.37
NASDAQ Composite	3413.27	16.64	0.49	13.04
NASDAQ 100	2968.24	15.36	0.52	11.55
Dow Jones World (ex-U.S.)	227.59	2.21	0.98	8.17
Dow Jones Asia-Pacific	148.55	1.22	0.83	11.51
Dow Jones Emerging Markets Total Stock	4304.39	37.50	0.88	1.32
Dow Jones Americas Total Stock	418.33	1.92	0.46	12.73
STOXX Europe 600	303.67	1.93	0.64	8.58
UK FTSE 100 Index	6583.48	26.18	0.40	11.63
France CAC 40 Index	3956.28	34.96	0.89	8.66
Germany DAX Index	8249.71	67.93	0.83	8.37
Barclays Aggregate Bond Index	1754.02	-0.57	-0.03	0.52

#### **S&P GICS SECTOR INDICES PERFORMANCE \*\***

Indices	Price	Chg	% Chg	YTD*
Consumer Discretionary	445.55	0.82	0.19	18.48
Consumer Staples	425.50	0.15	0.04	17.94
Energy	595.60	1.27	0.21	11.75
Financials	259.77	1.79	0.69	17.41
Health Care	551.62	1.31	0.24	19.15
Industrials	372.40	2.37	0.64	13.28
Information Technology	501.44	3.83	0.77	8.11
Materials	255.76	2.25	0.89	7.63
Telecom	167.89	1.25	0.75	14.96
Utilities	204.51	-1.83	-0.89	15.11

#### **COMMODITY & CURRENCY PERFORMANCE**

Instrument	Price	Chg	% Chg	YTD*
Crude Oil (Front Month Future)	\$96.55	0.93	0.97	5.15
Gold (Front Month Future)	\$1,471.70	22.90	1.58	-12.18
Copper (Front Month Future)	\$336.00	5.95	1.80	-8.01
U.S. Dollar/Japanese Yen (Spot)	¥98.98	0.00	0.00	-13.01
Euro/U.S. Dollar (Spot)	\$1.32	0.00	0.21	-0.28
British Pound/U.S. Dollar (Spot)	\$1.55	0.00	0.21	-3.96

Stocks finished higher on Wednesday. The Dow added 49 points to reach an all-time high of 15105. The S&P 500 hit a new record level, gaining 7 points to close at 1632. The NASDAQ climbed to its best level in 12 years, rising 17 points to 3413. The major averages advanced amid a generally positive round of earnings releases. Shares of Whole Foods climbed 10.1% to \$102.19 and Electronic Arts rallied 17.1% to \$21.56 after posting upbeat quarterly results and increased forecasts. AOL declined 8.9% to \$37.74 as earnings missed analyst projections. While there were no major U.S economic reports, the market received encouraging data from China and Germany. Chinese exports grew at a better-than-expected pace in April and German industrial production increased in March. Materials and tech were the best performing sectors on the session. Freeport McMoRan added 2.7% to \$32.39 as metal prices advanced. IT services provider Cognizant Technologies finished 5.0% higher at \$68.15 following its earnings report. Retailer J.C. Penney was noticeably higher, up 7.4% to \$17.61 after saying preliminary first-quarter sales fell less than a year ago. Utilities were the worst performing group with American Electric down 0.9% to \$50.12. Breadth was positive on issues by 13-7 on the NYSE and 11-8 on the NASDAQ. NYSE Composite volume was more than 3.5 billion shares. Treasuries snapped a three day retreat with the 10-year note up 1/16 to yield 1.77%.

# KEY RATES \*\*\*

Instrument	Rate%	Instrument	Rate%
Fed Funds	0.25	2-Year Treasury	0.22
Discount Rate	0.75	10-Year Treasury	1.77
Prime Rate	3.25	30-Year Treasury	2.99
1-Month LIBOR	0.20	30-Year Mortgage	3.53
3-Month LIBOR	0.28	10-Year Corporate A	2.95
6-Month LIBOR	0.43	30-Year Corporate A	4.20

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<sup>\*</sup> All YTD returns are computed on a price return basis



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The Dow Jones Industrial Average (a registered trademark of Dow Jones & Co., Inc) is an unmanaged index composed of 30 common stocks. Stocks selected are established U.S. companies that are leaders in their industries and are not limited to industrial sector stocks. The stocks in the index currently represent about a fifth of the \$8 trillion-plus market value of all U.S. stocks and about a fourth of the value of stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange.

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FTSE 100 Index s a capitalization-weighted index of the 100 most highly capitalized companies traded on the London Stock Exchange. The equities use an investibility weighting in the index calculation. The index was developed with a base level of 1000 as of January 3, 1984.

CAC 40 Index is a narrow-based, modified capitalization-weighted index of 40 companies listed on the Paris Bourse. The index was developed with a base level of 1,000 as of December 31, 1987. As of December 1, 2003 the index has become a free float weighted index.

DAX Index is a total return index of 30 selected German blue chip stocks traded on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange. The equities use free float shares in the index calculation. The DAX has a base value of 1,000 as of December 31, 1987. As of June 18, 1999 only XETRA equity prices are used to calculate all DAX indices.

Barclays US Aggregate Bond Index is composed of the Barclays Capital U.S. Government/Credit Index and the Barclays Capital U.S. Mortgage-Backed Securities Index, and includes Treasury issues, agency issues, corporate bond issues, and mortgage-backed securities.

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Dow Jones Sustainability World ex-U.S. 80 IndexSM tracks the performance of the largest companies globally, excluding the U.S., that are included in the Dow Jones Sustainability World Index $^{SM}$ . The 80 companies are weighted by their sustainability score.



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STOXX Europe 600 Index is derived from the STOXX Europe Total Market Index (TMI) and is a subset of the STOXX Global 1800 Index. With a fixed number of 600 components, the STOXX Europe 600 Index represents large, mid and small capitalization companies across 18 countries of the European region: Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland and the United Kingdom.

S&P GICS Sector Performance \*\*

The Global Industry Classification Standard (GICS) is an enhanced industry classification system jointly developed MSCI Barra and Standard & Poor's (S&P) in 1999. The S&P Global Sector Indices highlight the sector characteristics of the S&P Global 1200, which represents 70% of world's market capitalization. "Global Industry Classification Standard (GICS)", "GICS" and "GICS Direct" are service marks of MSCI Barra and Standard & Poor's. "GICS" is a trademark of S&P and MSCI Barra.

The Bond Buyer20 G.O. Index is published by the *BOND BUYER* newspaper. The index tracks 20 general obligation municipal bonds that mature in 20 years rated approximately equivalent to AA rated by Standard and Poor's.

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The Discount Rate is the rate the Federal Reserve charges on loans to member banks.

The Prime Rate is a commercial bank's stated reference rate for lending.

LIBOR is an acronym for London Inter-Bank Offered Rate. LIBOR represents the short-term interest rate that creditworthy international banks charge each other for loans.

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