



Live updates on today's stock market fluctuations

Description

Stock futures in the U.S. saw a slight dip on Tuesday morning, following a strong start to the week as investors prepare for key earnings reports from major companies, the Federal Reserve's interest rate decision, and the upcoming jobs report. The market is also at risk of ending a six-month winning streak.

Dow Jones Industrial Average futures slipped by 60 points, representing a 0.16% decrease, while S&P 500 futures were down 0.2% and Nasdaq 100 futures showed a modest 0.15% increase.

Following a positive session on Wall Street, Tesla shares surged after the company achieved a significant milestone in the rollout of advanced driver-assistance technology in China. Apple also experienced gains after receiving a bullish stock upgrade. The S&P 500 rose by 0.32%, the Nasdaq Composite increased by 0.35%, and the Dow Jones Industrial Average climbed 146.43 points, or 0.38%.

However, stocks are on track for their first losing month since October due to decreased expectations of rate cuts compared to the beginning of the year. Analysts believe that persistent inflation and a strong economy may lead the Federal Reserve to keep interest rates higher for a longer period.

Market experts are closely watching the two-day policy meeting of the Fed, which is expected to maintain steady interest rates. Traders are particularly interested in Fed Chief Jerome Powell's post-meeting comments, as recent inflation reports suggest a potential shift towards a more hawkish stance.

The week also includes a busy corporate earnings schedule, with Amazon and Apple reporting their quarterly results, along with companies like McDonald's, Coca-Cola, and Eli Lilly releasing their financial updates. Additionally, the April jobs report is anticipated at the end of the week.

Vocabulary List:

1. **Dip** // (noun): A slight decrease or decline.
2. **Milestone** // (noun): An important event or achievement.
3. **Hawkish** // (adjective): Favoring strong or aggressive actions especially related to military or economic policy.
4. **Anticipated** // (adjective): Expected or awaited.
5. **Streak** // (noun): A continuous period of success or luck in a particular activity.
6. **Surge** // (verb): To increase suddenly and strongly.

Vocabulary quizzes

Multiple Choice (Select the Correct answer for each question.)

1. What is the process of ensuring compliance with laws and regulations?

- Option: A) Scrutinized
- Option: B) Enforcement
- Option: C) Stagnation
- Option: D) Fraud

2. Which term refers to the rate at which the general level of prices for goods and services rise eroding purchasing power?

- Option: A) Indications
- Option: B) Inflation
- Option: C) Dip
- Option: D) Settlement

3. What term relates to or affecting the policy of a government towards the value of its currency?

- Option: A) Milestone
- Option: B) Monetary
- Option: C) Relief rally
- Option: D) Gatekeepers

4. Which term describes a policy stance that advocates raising interest rates to keep inflation in check?

- Option: A) Explicitly
- Option: B) Hawkish
- Option: C) Fraud
- Option: D) Suspended

5. What refers to wrongful or criminal deception intended to result in financial or personal gain?

- Option: A) Enforcement
- Option: B) Fraud
- Option: C) Documentation
- Option: D) Imminent

6. Which term refers to the necessary paperwork or evidence that supports a transaction or decision?

- Option: A) Settlement
- Option: B) Documentation
- Option: C) Streak
- Option: D) Clarity

7. What term describes a situation that has increased in intensity scope or scale?

- Option: A) Indicators
- Option: B) Escalated

Option: C) Imminent

Option: D) Relief rally

8. Which term denotes a significant event or stage in a process or development?

Option: A) Robust

Option: B) Milestone

Option: C) Settlement

Option: D) Gatekeepers

9. What term refers to the act of temporarily barring someone or something from an official position or privilege?

Option: A) Anticipated

Option: B) Suspension

Option: C) Relief rally

Option: D) Fraud

10. What term describes the act of looking forward to or expecting something with pleasure or excitement?

Option: A) Robust

Option: B) Anticipation

Option: C) Monetary

Option: D) Gatekeepers

Gap-Fill (Fill in the blanks with the correct word from the vocabulary list.)

11. The economy experienced prolonged _____ leading to a decrease in business

activity.

12. The instructions were _____ stated in the manual leaving no room for confusion.

13. Investors are eagerly _____ news of the company's quarterly earnings report.

14. The company enjoyed a period of _____ growth expanding its market share significantly.

15. After the positive economic data was released the stock market experienced a _____

16. The compliance officers acted as _____ ensuring that all regulatory requirements

were met.

17. The natural disaster had a _____ impact on the infrastructure of the region.

18. The demand for the new product _____ following a successful marketing campaign.

19. Early _____ suggest a downturn in consumer confidence for the upcoming quarter.

20. The employee was terminated for _____ company records to cover up financial discrepancies.

Matching Sentences (Match each definition to the correct word from the vocabulary list.)

21. The financial statements were carefully examined and reviewed for accuracy and compliance.

22. Rising prices of essential goods and services contribute to the country's overall inflation rate.

23. The weather forecast warned of an thunderstorm approaching the region.

24. The new regulations were to ensure compliance by all businesses operating within the sector.

25. An independent was hired to conduct a thorough review of the company's financial records.

26. The legal dispute between the two parties was resolved through a negotiated agreement.

27. The revised policy provided greater on reporting requirements for the employees.

28. The IT security team acted as the of the organization ensuring data privacy and protection.

29. The conflict showed signs of when negotiations broke down between the two parties.

30. The regulatory authorities initiated an investigation into potential cases of within the banking sector.

Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. B) Enforcement 2. B) Inflation 3. B) Monetary 4. B) Hawkish 5. B) Fraud 6. B) Documentation 7. B) Escalated 8. B) Milestone 9. B) Suspension 10. B) Anticipation

Gap-Fill: 11. stagnation 12. explicitly 13. anticipating 14. robust 15. relief rally 16. gatekeepers 17. devastating 18. surged 19. indications 20. falsifying

Matching sentence: 1. scrutinized 2. inflation 3. imminent 4. enforced 5. auditor 6. settlement 7. clarity 8. gatekeepers



9. escalation 10. financial fraud

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