



## Stocks and US Futures Climb as Markets Focus on Earnings: Recap

### Description

European stocks saw a boost for the second day in a row as some of the region's largest companies reported strong earnings. The Stoxx Europe 600 index rose 0.6%, with the technology sector leading the way. SAP SE and Novartis AG both experienced significant gains after reporting positive growth.

Investors are closely watching earnings reports this week, with around 180 companies in the S&P 500 set to announce results. Analysts are hopeful that solid corporate profits will help offset recent market volatility caused by geopolitical concerns.

In addition to strong earnings, positive economic data also contributed to the market's positive sentiment. Private-sector activity in Europe reached a nearly one-year high, with expectations that the European Central Bank will ease policy in the near future.

Overall, the outlook for the market remains positive, with investors looking for opportunities to capitalize on recent pullbacks. Additionally, upcoming events such as US new home sales and earnings reports from companies like Tesla and PepsiCo will continue to drive market activity in the coming days.

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## Vocabulary List:

1. **Boost** // (noun): An increase or improvement.
2. **Sentiment** // (noun): The general feeling or attitude of people.
3. **Volatility** // (noun): The tendency of prices to change rapidly and unpredictably.
4. **Earnings** // (noun): The money that a company receives from its activities.
5. **Geopolitical** // (adjective): Related to the influence of geographical factors on politics and international relations.
6. **Capitalize** // (verb): To take advantage of an opportunity.

## Vocabulary quizzes

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

1. What is the term used to describe strained relations or feelings between individuals or groups?  
Option: A. Harmony  
Option: B. Tensions  
Option: C. Peace  
Option: D. Tranquility
2. What is the process of reducing something to half its original amount called?  
Option: A. Doubling  
Option: B. Tripling  
Option: C. Halving  
Option: D. Quadrupling
3. Which term refers to the impact of geography on international politics and relations?  
Option: A. Geospatial  
Option: B. Geophysical  
Option: C. Geopolitical  
Option: D. Geometrical
4. What is the process of forming or joining a labor union known as?  
Option: A. Unionization  
Option: B. Corporation  
Option: C. Association  
Option: D. Syndication
5. Which term refers to the profits generated by a company?



- Option: A. Revenue
- Option: B. Expenditure
- Option: C. Earnings
- Option: D. Losses

6. What is the term used to describe an excessive desire for material wealth or gain?

- Option: A. Content
- Option: B. Generous
- Option: C. Greedy
- Option: D. Modest

7. Which term refers to the likelihood or expectation of success in the future?

- Option: A. Obstacles
- Option: B. Challenges
- Option: C. Prospects
- Option: D. Hindrances

8. What is the term used to describe an attitude opinion or emotion towards something?

- Option: A. Sentiment
- Option: B. Fact
- Option: C. Logic
- Option: D. Reason

9. Which term means to take advantage of a situation for personal gain?

- Option: A. Invest
- Option: B. Capitalize
- Option: C. Save
- Option: D. Spend

10. Which term refers to the degree of variation of a trading price series?

- Option: A. Stability
- Option: B. Volatility
- Option: C. Consistency
- Option: D. Predictability

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

11. The team won the championship for the third \_\_\_\_\_ year.

12. The country imposed \_\_\_\_\_ tariffs in response to the trade restrictions.



13. The employees engaged in \_\_\_\_\_ to improve their working conditions.
14. The company introduced a \_\_\_\_\_ scheme to motivate employees.
15. Negotiations between the union and management resulted in significant \_\_\_\_\_ for workers.
16. After weeks of discussions both parties finally reached a \_\_\_\_\_.
17. The \_\_\_\_\_ index tracks the performance of major European companies.
18. The \_\_\_\_\_ is a stock market index for the Tokyo Stock Exchange.
19. The \_\_\_\_\_ is a share index of the 100 companies listed on the London Stock Exchange.
20. The \_\_\_\_\_ index measures the performance of all companies listed on the first section of the Tokyo Stock Exchange.

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

21. Investors engaged in buying and selling assets with the hope of making a profit.
22. An optimistic outlook on the future performance of a particular market or asset.
23. The examination of data and information to gain insights and make informed decisions.
24. A positive attitude or belief in a favorable outcome.
25. An increase or improvement in something.
26. A system in which employees receive a share of the company's profits.
27. The degree of variation in the price of a financial instrument over time.
28. The profits generated by a corporation from its business activities.
29. An excessive desire for wealth or material possessions.



30. Formally approved or confirmed usually through a vote or agreement.

## Answer

**Multiple Choice:** 1. B. Tensions 2. C. Halving 3. C. Geopolitical 4. A. Unionization 5. C. Earnings 6. C. Greedy 7. C. Prospects 8. A. Sentiment 9. B. Capitalize 10. B. Volatility

**Gap-Fill:** 11. consecutive 12. retaliatory 13. organizing efforts 14. profit sharing 15. wage increases 16. contract agreement 17. Stoxx 18. Nikkei 225 19. FTSE 100 20. Topix

**Matching sentence:** 1. Speculation 2. Bullish 3. Analysis 4. Optimism 5. Boost 6. Profit Sharing 7. Volatility 8. Corporate Earnings 9. Greedy 10. Ratified

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