



Today's Stock Market: Live Updates

Description

About 38 minutes ago, the S&P 500 and Nasdaq Composite were doing well. They were expected to end the week with increases. The S&P 500 saw about a 0.2% increase this week while the Nasdaq gained 0.6%.

However, the Dow Jones was not so successful. It was expected to lose around 0.4% by the end of the week.

About an hour ago, shares of New York Community Bank dropped significantly. This happened after the bank said there were some problems with their control systems. They also announced a change in their leadership.

In Europe, the Stoxx 600, a stock index from Europe, had a 0.4% increase at the beginning of the trading day. Germany's DAX, another stock index, did even better with a 0.7% increase.

South Korea's exports increased more than expected in February. This was mainly due to a high demand for their semiconductor chips. Also, Japan's factory activities decreased fast in February.

In China, manufacturing activities decreased for the fifth month in a row in February. However, a private survey said factory activities expanded.

In India, the economy grew much faster than expected in the October to December quarter.

Some very wealthy investors, like Ray Dalio, think the U.S. stock market is not in a bubble. Computer technology company, Dell, had strong financial results for the last quarter of the year. Their shares increased by 18%.

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Vocabulary List:

1. **increase** // (noun/verb): To become or make something larger in amount or size.
2. **decrease** // (noun/verb): To become or make something smaller in amount or size.
3. **stocks** // (noun): Shares representing ownership in a company.
4. **exports** // (noun): Goods or services produced in one country and sold to another.
5. **semiconductor** // (noun): A solid substance that has electrical conductivity between that of a conductor and an insulator.
6. **survey** // (noun/verb): To look carefully and thoroughly at something or someone.

Vocabulary quizzes

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

1. What is the opposite of decrease?
Option: Stocks
Option: Export
Option: Value
Option: Expansion
2. Which of the following is related to investments?
Option: Semiconductor
Option: Supply
Option: Quality
Option: ETFs
3. What is the value of 1 followed by 12 zeros?
Option: Valuable
Option: Lost
Option: Trillion
Option: Hopeful
4. What word is used when foreseeing an outcome?
Option: Received



Option: Manufacturing process

Option: Digital

Option: Predicted

5. Which term describes something that is ready to use or obtain?

Option: Expert

Option: Permission

Option: Funds

Option: Available

6. What term describes acquiring control of another company?

Option: Cut

Option: Safety

Option: Take over

Option: Researcher

7. Which term means to depend on something or someone?

Option: Construction

Option: Network

Option: Rely

Option: Lost

8. What is the term for the act of calling off a planned event or order?

Option: Assembly

Option: Cut

Option: Safety

Option: Cancellation

9. Which term refers to feeling optimistic about a future outcome?

Option: Quality

Option: Lost

Option: Hopeful

Option: Break

10. Which activity involves committing money to gain a financial return?

Option: Assembly

Option: Expansion

Option: Investing

Option: Permission

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



11. _____ industry plays a crucial role in the production of electronic devices.
12. The _____ of the product requires precision and careful handling of components.
13. The company incurred a significant financial _____ due to the market downturn.
14. The _____ conducted experiments to gather data for the study.
15. The athlete broke the previous world _____ for the 100m sprint.
16. To reduce costs the company decided to _____ jobs in non-essential departments.
17. The company's computer _____ was compromised in a cyberattack.
18. The company's financial performance remained _____ despite economic challenges.
19. The company aims to deliver products that provide high _____ to customers.
20. The transition to _____ currency is reshaping the financial industry.

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



21. Investors buy and sell financial securities in the .
22. Mutual pool money from multiple investors to invest in securities.
23. The company's stock price reflects its market .
24. The company aims to develop technology to stay ahead of competitors.
25. The construction project cannot proceed without the necessary from local authorities.
26. The company's revenue has been steadily increasing almost in the last quarter.
27. Navigating market uncertainties can be a task for investors.
28. Despite recent setbacks the company remains about future prospects.
29. The company a prestigious award for its innovative products.
30. Investing in training programs can enhance an employee's skills.

Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. Value 2. ETFs 3. Trillion 4. Predicted 5. Available 6. Take over 7. Rely 8. Cancellation 9. Hopeful 10. Investing

Gap-Fill: 11. Semiconductor 12. Assembly 13. Lost 14. Researcher 15. Record 16. Cut 17. Network 18. Strong 19. Value 20. Digital

Matching sentence: 1. Stock Market 2. Funds 3. Worth 4. Cutting-edge 5. Permission 6. Tripling 7. Challenging 8. Hopeful 9. Received 10. Valuable

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