



Today's Stock Market: Real-Time Updates & Insights

Description

Traders work on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange on November 22, 2024, in New York City.

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The Dow Jones Industrial Average and the S&P 500 reached new records on Monday. Investors were happy about President-elect Donald Trump's choice for Treasury secretary.

The Dow went up by 435 points, or 1%. The S&P 500 rose by 0.5%. Both reached all-time highs. The Nasdaq Composite also increased by 0.4%.

More than 80% of S&P 500 stocks went up. The small-cap Russell 2000 jumped over 2%.

Investors like the pick of Scott Bessent as Treasury secretary. They think he will help the stock market.

U.S. markets will be closed on Thursday for Thanksgiving. They will close early on Friday. Trading volume will be light this week.

Investors will look for important economic data on inflation on Wednesday.

Vocabulary List:

1. **Average** /'æv.ər.ɪdʒ/ (noun): A level or standard that is typical or usual for a particular group or category.
2. **Investors** /ɪn'vestərz/ (noun): Individuals or organizations that allocate capital with the expectation of a future financial return.
3. **Treasury** /'treʒ.ər.i/ (noun): The department responsible for managing a country's finances including revenue collection and debt issuance.
4. **Economic** /,i:kə'nɒm.ɪk/ (adjective): Relating to the economy or financial matters.
5. **Volume** /'vɒl.ju:m/ (noun): The amount of trading activity in a market typically represented by the number of shares traded.
6. **Inflation** /ɪn'fleɪ.ʃən/ (noun): The rate at which the general level of prices for goods and services rises eroding purchasing power.

Comprehension Questions



Multiple Choice

1. What caused the Dow Jones Industrial Average and the S&P 500 to reach new records?
Option: Treasury secretary appointment
Option: Economic data announcement
Option: Market volatility
Option: Political instability
2. By how much did the Dow Jones Industrial Average go up?
Option: 435 points
Option: 1.5%
Option: 0.4%
Option: 2.5%
3. What percentage did the S&P 500 increase by?
Option: 1%
Option: 0.5%
Option: 2%
Option: 0.4%
4. Which index also saw an increase along with the Dow and S&P 500?
Option: Nasdaq Composite
Option: DAX
Option: FTSE 100
Option: CAC 40
5. What event will lead to lighter trading volume this week?
Option: Thanksgiving holiday
Option: Earnings reports
Option: Interest rate decision
Option: Trade agreement signing
6. Which economic data are investors interested in on Wednesday?
Option: Unemployment rate
Option: GDP growth
Option: Inflation
Option: Consumer spending



True-False

7. The Dow Jones Industrial Average and the S&P 500 both reached all-time highs.
8. The small-cap Russell 2000 decreased by 1%.
9. Scott Bessent is expected to have a positive impact on the stock market as Treasury secretary.
10. U.S. markets will be open for normal trading hours on Thanksgiving.
11. Investors are not concerned about trading volume being light this week.
12. The Thanksgiving holiday will result in early market closure on Friday.

Gap-Fill

13. The Dow went up by _____ points.
14. The S&P 500 rose by _____ .%
15. More than _____ % of S&P 500 stocks went up.
16. The small-cap Russell 2000 jumped over _____ %.
17. Trading volume will be light this week due to the _____ holiday.
18. Investors will look for important economic data on _____ on Wednesday.

Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. Treasury secretary appointment 2. 435 points 3. 0.5% 4. Nasdaq Composite 5. Thanksgiving holiday 6. Inflation

True-False: 7. True 8. False 9. True 10. False 11. False 12. True

Gap-Fill: 13. 435 14. 0.5 15. 80 16. 2 17. Thanksgiving 18. inflation

Vocabulary quizzes



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

1. Who are individuals or institutions that provide capital to companies with the expectation of receiving a return on their investment?

- Option: Average
- Option: Volume
- Option: Campaign
- Option: Investors

2. What term refers to the system by which goods and services are produced sold and bought in a country or region?

- Option: Inflation
- Option: Economic
- Option: Results
- Option: Earnings

3. Which term is used to describe the income return on an investment?

- Option: Support
- Option: Affect
- Option: Yields
- Option: Outlook

4. What is a serious disagreement or argument between individuals or groups?

- Option: Protect
- Option: Conflict
- Option: Issues
- Option: Tensions

5. What is the process of examining data and information to gain insights and draw conclusions?

- Option: Confused
- Option: Mistakes
- Option: Analyze
- Option: Preservatives

6. What sector of the economy focuses on the maintenance and improvement of physical and mental well-being?

- Option: Electric
- Option: Stock
- Option: Healthcare
- Option: Investors

7. What term describes the result obtained by adding two or more quantities together and then dividing the



total by the number of quantities?

- Option: Average
- Option: Campaign
- Option: Affect
- Option: Ingredients

8. What type of power utilizes the flow of electric charge?

- Option: Election
- Option: Electric
- Option: Tensions
- Option: Protect

9. Which term refers to the department responsible for the management of a government's financial resources?

- Option: Treasury
- Option: Stock
- Option: Additives
- Option: Lawsuit

10. What is the quantity of three-dimensional space enclosed by a product or structure?

- Option: Volume
- Option: Inflation
- Option: Results
- Option: Ratios

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

11. Some food manufacturers use _____ to extend the shelf life of their products.

12. Investors can buy shares of a company's _____ to become partial owners of the business.

13. The _____ for the new board members will be held next month.

14. The team needs to address the underlying _____ before proceeding with the project.

15. Changes in interest rates can significantly _____ the housing market.

16. To determine the class _____ add up all the scores and divide by the number of



students.

17. Always check the labels of products to ensure they do not contain any _____ you are allergic to.

18. People who are _____ to pollen often experience symptoms like sneezing and itchy eyes.

19. Political _____ have escalated in the region leading to concerns about stability.

20. The research team will announce the study _____ at the conference next week.

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

21. The company faced a lengthy legal battle after a customer filed a lawsuit for breach of contract.
22. Despite some challenges the overall economic for the upcoming quarter seems positive.
23. The political party launched an extensive advertising to garner support for their candidate.
24. Learning from past can help individuals avoid repeating them in the future.
25. It is essential to use proper safety equipment to oneself from potential hazards.
26. The company's new project attracted interest from several potential looking to fund the venture.
27. Rising prices due to can erode the purchasing power of a nation's currency.
28. Consumers are becoming more cautious about food products containing artificial and prefer natural options.
29. The company's quarterly report highlighted increased revenue and improved compared to the previous year.
30. Access to affordable and quality services is a critical aspect of public welfare.

Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. Investors 2. Economic 3. Yields 4. Conflict 5. Analyze 6. Healthcare 7. Average 8. Electric 9. Treasury



10. Volume

Gap-Fill: 11. Preservatives 12. Stock 13. Election 14. Issues 15. Affect 16. Average 17. Ingredients 18. Allergic 19. Tensions 20. Results

Matching sentence: 1. Lawsuit 2. Outlook 3. Campaign 4. Mistakes 5. Protect 6. Investors 7. Inflation 8. Additives 9. Earnings 10. Healthcare

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