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S&P 500 higher for a 4th day, uranium and tin add ~2%, futures off ~0.5%

- Global markets.** US stocks were mixed overnight, with the Nasdaq leading the charge – higher by 0.8% - while the S&P closed up for a fourth consecutive session and the Dow Jones closed marginally lower, off 0.1% for the day. In Europe, stocks were weaker across the board, with the French CAC worst of the group – losing 0.8% for the session.
- Economic data underwhelms.** Stocks opened in the red during the US session, as GDP figures from China (during the day local time) underwhelmed – up just 4.9% against forecasts for a 5.2% rise, while US industrial production figures also missed forecasts – down 1.3% in September, versus a 0.2% MoM gain expected – the miss appears to be have been driven, at least in part, by ongoing supply chain constraints globally.
- Uranium higher on ANU news.** Amongst BW focus sectors – uranium prices moved sharply higher again overnight as Kazatomprom – the world’s largest uranium producer – announced it would be investing in a physical uranium fund (ANU Energy); allowing emerging market investors to gain exposure to the underlying commodity for the first time. Key sector ETFs (**URNM** and **URA**) were up ~5% - 6% on the news, while **spot uranium** added \$1/lb, or ~2.2%.
- In other markets,** the **USD** was flat against a basket of currencies (and the AUD), key **commodities** were mixed, with **oil** up another 0.2%, **tin** adding 2%, **gold** and **silver** both slightly lower, and **uranium** sharply higher (as per above). Elsewhere, **Treasury** yields began to move higher again overnight (particularly at the short-end), with the US 2-year up 7bps to 0.43%, while the 10-year added another 2bps to approach 1.6% once again. Finally, the **VIX Index** finished flat.
- Futures point higher.** Following the mixed results from Wall Street overnight (and reasonably strong local session yesterday), it appears local stocks will open lower when trading commences this morning – with ASX futures currently down by 39 points, or ~0.5% at the time of writing.

World Indices	Close	Prior	% Δ
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<u>Local Markets</u>			
All Ordinaries	7,689.7	7,674.2	0.2%
ASX 200	7,381.1	7,362.0	0.3%
ASX Emerging Companies	2,644.7	2,621.0	0.9%

<u>US Markets</u>			
Dow Jones	35,258.6	35,294.8	-0.1%
S&P500	4,486.5	4,471.4	0.3%
Nasdaq	15,021.8	14,897.3	0.8%
Russell 2000	2,267.8	2,265.7	0.1%

<u>Asian & European Markets</u>			
Shanghai Composite	3,568.1	3,572.4	-0.1%
Nikkei	29,025.5	29,068.6	-0.1%
Hang Seng	25,409.8	25,331.0	0.3%
FTSE 100	7,203.8	7,234.0	-0.4%
DAX 30	15,474.5	15,587.4	-0.7%
CAC 40	6,673.1	6,727.5	-0.8%

Economic Releases	Time	F'cast	Prior
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RBA Meeting Minutes	12:30		
China FDI	17:00		22.3%
US Fed Speakers	Various		

Key BW Names	Close	Prior	% Δ
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Lotus Resources	0.320	0.275	16.4%
Jervois Mining	0.615	0.560	9.8%
LiveHire	0.380	0.360	5.6%
Elementos	0.026	0.025	4.0%

Commodities	Close	Prior	% Δ
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Oil - West Texas Crude	82.44	82.28	0.2%
Gold	1,764.6	1,767.5	-0.2%
Gold (Aus)	2,380.7	2,383.7	-0.1%
Silver	23.20	23.32	-0.5%
Uranium (Spot)	47.00	46.00	2.2%
Tin (Futures)	37,943	37,288	1.8%

Currency	Close	Prior	% Δ
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DXY Index	93.96	93.95	0.0%
AUD/USD	0.7412	0.7415	0.0%
AUD/GBP	0.5399	0.5392	0.1%
AUD/EUR	0.6383	0.6394	-0.2%
AUD/YEN	84.73	84.70	0.0%
AUD/NZD	1.0465	1.0487	-0.2%
AUD/CAD	0.9173	0.9175	0.0%

Other Markets	Close	Prior	% Δ
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VIX Index	16.31	16.30	0.1%
2-Year Treasury Yield (%)	0.431	0.363	18.7%
10-Year Treasury Yield (%)	1.596	1.575	1.3%

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