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Markets rally – S&P 500's best day since June 2020. Uranium soars

- **Global markets.** Overnight we saw an extremely positive session from the US markets, with the S&P 500 (+2.6%) having its biggest day since June 2020, while elsewhere the Nasdaq was even stronger – adding nearly 4% for the session. In Europe, markets were even stronger still, as the CAC 40 and DAX 30 both gained over 7%.
- **Uranium.** The Uranium market continued its strong run, with the spot price adding 1.4% overnight and extending its 10-year high to ~\$53/lb – it has subsequently traded as high as \$58/lb this morning. The strength was driven by news of potential sanctions being placed on Rosatom, the Russian uranium giant – though nothing has been confirmed as yet. All sector ETFs were up strongly, with URNM ending 7% higher.
- **In other markets.** **WTI Crude** plunged overnight, falling -12.9%, as fears of the oil shortage were eased after the UAE pledged to call on fellow OPEC countries to boost oil output. Likewise, **Gold** and **Silver** both slipped -2.9% and -2.5% respectively, following significant gains in recent days. The **VIX Index** also eased by ~8% on account of the day's equity market strength, whilst bond yields soared. The yield curve steepened as the **2-10-Year spread** gained 3bps. **Tin** (+2.6%) continued to push to new record highs, tipping \$50,000 for the first time.
- **Futures point higher.** Following the strong lead from Wall Street, it appears the ASX is expected to have another solid performance today, with futures up by 27 points, or ~0.4% at the time of writing.
- **Economics.** Over the next 24 hours, several significant economic events will occur, including: a rate decision from the ECB (expected to stay at 0.0%), local building permits and inflation expectations data, and US inflation figures – out early tomorrow morning – where consensus is looking for a 7.9% headline print and 6.5% YoY core reading – both up on last month.

World Indices	Close	Prior	% Δ
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Local Markets

All Ordinaries	7,331.8	7,252.9	1.1%
ASX 200	7,053.0	6,980.3	1.0%
ASX Emerging Companies	2,526.7	2,467.8	2.4%

US Markets

Dow Jones	33,286.3	32,632.6	2.0%
S&P500	4,277.9	4,170.7	2.6%
Nasdaq	13,255.6	12,795.6	3.6%
Russell 2000	2,015.4	1,963.0	2.7%

Asian & European Markets

Shanghai Composite	3,256.4	3,293.5	-1.1%
Nikkei	24,717.5	24,791.0	-0.3%
Hang Seng	20,627.7	20,765.9	-0.7%
FTSE 100	7,190.7	6,964.1	3.3%
DAX 30	13,847.9	12,831.5	7.9%
CAC 40	6,387.8	5,963.0	7.1%

Economic Releases	Time	F'cast	Prior
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Cons. Inflation Expectations	11:00		4.6%
Building Permits (MoM)	11:30		8.2%
ECB Rate Decision	23:45	0.0%	0.0%
ECB Press Conference	00:30		
US Inflation	00:30	7.9%	7.5%
US Core Inflation	00:30	6.4%	6.0%

Key BW Names	Close	Prior	% Δ
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Lotus Resources	0.350	0.310	12.9%
Forbidden Foods	0.160	0.145	10.3%
Family Zone Cyber Security	0.340	0.330	3.0%
Elementos	0.635	0.618	2.8%

Commodities	Close	Prior	% Δ
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Oil - West Texas Crude	110.31	124.33	-11.3%
Gold	1,992.6	2,052.8	-2.9%
Gold (Aus)	2,721.0	2,822.9	-3.6%
Silver	25.78	26.43	-2.5%
Uranium (Spot)	53.13	52.38	1.4%
Tin (Futures)	49,450	48,203	2.6%

Currency	Close	Prior	% Δ
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DX Index	98.01	99.11	-1.1%
AUD/USD	0.7323	0.7272	0.7%
AUD/GBP	0.5555	0.5551	0.1%
AUD/EUR	0.6614	0.6670	-0.8%
AUD/YEN	84.83	84.11	0.9%
AUD/NZD	1.0705	1.0685	0.2%
AUD/CAD	0.9380	0.9373	0.1%

Other Markets	Close	Prior	% Δ
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VIX Index	32.37	35.13	-7.9%
2-Year Treasury Yield (%)	1.676	1.605	4.4%
10-Year Treasury Yield (%)	1.944	1.848	5.2%
US 2-10-Year Spread	0.268	0.243	10.3%

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