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Markets end little-changed overnight in volatile session, AUD -1.3%

- Global markets. It was a volatile overnight session in the US, which ultimately came to a ~unchanged conclusion, with all major indices moving in a range of just -0.2% (Dow) to +0.5% (Russell). Futures are trading higher however after the market close due to positive after-market earnings from chip maker Micron.
- Hawkisk central bankers. Major economic news overnight was all centered around the ECB's policy panel; which saw all four heads of the world's major central banks speak. Chair Powell noted that more tightening remained his base case and didn't see core inflation falling back to 2% this year or next.
- In company news, the chip stocks made headlines overnight with Micron giving better-than-expected guidance for Q4 (revenues US\$4.1bn vs US\$3.9bn expected), while Nvidia opened sharply lower (-4% before rebounding over the day to moderate losses to just ~2%) the poor performance was driven by headlines the Biden administration would look to further intensify chip exports to China. Elsewhere, Netflix (+3%) and Apple (+1%) were reasonably strong, as was Tesla (+2%).
- In other rmarkets, the USD was stronger against a basket of currencies, while the AUD collapsed by 1.3% vs the USD on account of yesterday's dovish inflation print (5.6% vs 6.8% last month). Yields fell along the curve after spiking in yesterday's session, commodities were mixed – oil +2% and almost everything else down – gold, silver, copper, tin. And finally, the VIX Index fell 2% on account of the day's modest equity market moves.
- Futures ~flat. Given the lack of direction from Wall Street, it appears local stocks will open ~flat when trading commences this morning - with ASX futures off by just 5pts at the time of writing.
- In economics, today's major events include local retail sales (11:30am), more CB speak, US weekly jobless claims and German inflation data.

World Indices	Close	Prior	%Δ
Local Markets			
All Ordinaries	7,384.1	7,300.0	1.2%
ASX 200	7,196.5	7,118.2	1.1%
ASX Emerging Companies	2,028.4	1,992.2	1.8%
US Markets			
Dow Jones	33,852.7	33,926.7	-0.2%
S&P500	4,376.9	4,378.4	0.0%
Nasdaq	13,591.8	13,555.7	0.3%
Russell 2000	1,858.7	1,849.9	0.5%
Asian & European Markets			
Shanghai Composite	3,189.4	3,189.4	0.0%
Nikkei	33,194.0	32,538.3	2.0%
Hang Seng	19,172.1	19,148.1	0.1%
FTSE 100	7,500.5	7,461.5	0.5%
DAX 30	15,949.0	15,846.9	0.6%
CAC 40	7,286.3	7,215.6	1.0%
S&P500 Sectors	Close	Prior	%Δ
Energy	612.9	606.8	1.0%
Communication Services	215.3	213.6	0.8%
Utilities	329.0	333.9	-1.5%
Economic Releases	Time	F'cast	Prior
Aus Retail Sales	11:30	0.1%	0.0%
Fed Chair Powell Speaks	16:30		
Eurozone Sentiment Readings	Various		
German Inflation Rate	22:00	6.3%	6.1%
US GDP (Q1, Final)	22:30	1.4%	2.6%
US Weekly Jobless Claims	22:30		
Key BW Names	Close	Prior	%Δ
Forbidden Foods	0.016	0.013	23.1%
Qoria	0.250	0.235	6.4%
Lotus Resources	0.175	0.170	2.9%
Commodities	Close	Prior	%Δ
Oil - West Texas Crude	69.20	67.92	1.9%
Gold	1,910	1,915	-0.3%
Gold (Aus)	2,894	2,864	1.0%
Silver Uranium (Spot)	22.72 56.07	22.86 56.37	-0.6% -0.5%
Tin (Futures)	26,047	26,305	-0.5%
Copper	3.73	3.79	-1.5%
Other Markets	Close	Prior	Ø∕ ∧
	Close	FIIUI	%Δ
DXY Index	103.0	102.5	0.5%
AUD/USD	0.6600	0.6685	-1.3%
2-Year Treasury Yield (%)	4.712	4.887	-17 bp
10-Year Treasury Yield (%)	3.712	3.767	-5 bp
US 2-10-Year Spread VIX Index	-1.000 13.43	-1.120 13 74	12 bp
	13.43	13.74	-2.3%

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