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ASX to rise, Dow rallies 500 points for best day since June, oil eases

- **Global markets.** Australian shares are poised to open higher to start the day. Shares were higher in New York, bolstered by a rebound in megacap techs. The Dow surged 511 points, 28 of its 30 components advanced, paced by Nike, Goldman Sachs and Verizon.

Tesla tumbled more than 5 per cent at one point, with sentiment hurt by concerns about its margin outlook and what appears to be the end of strikes by union workers at America's big three domestic automakers.

Some 162 S&P 500 companies (including four Dow 30 components) are scheduled to report results for the third quarter this week. Apple releases after the closing bell in New York on Thursday (Friday AEDT).

- **In stocks and economic news.** Local: Speech by Brad Jones, RBA assistant governor (financial system), at the AFIA Conference, Sydney at 10.50am; Private sector credit for September at 11.30am

Overseas data: NZ building permits September at 8.45am, business confidence October at 11am; China October manufacturing, services PMIs at 12.30pm; Bank of Japan policy decision; Eurozone third-quarter GDP and October CPI at 9pm; US third-quarter employment cost index at 11.30pm, FHFA house prices and S&P CoreLogic CS house prices August, Consumer confidence index October

Origin Energy and Resolute Mining are set to report production results. Clinuvel Pharmaceutical, Data#3, Endeavour Group and Peter Warren Automotive host annual meetings. Shares of Autosports and Brickworks trade ex-dividend.

- **In other markets.** Oil has dropped back, putting a \$US100 a barrel target seemingly unreachable for the moment amid rising international pressure on Israel to rethink its bombing of Gaza.

US oil fell as much as 4.3 per cent, with losses accelerating after crude slipped below technical support levels near \$US82 a barrel.

- **Futures.** ASX futures up 29 points or 0.4% to 6810 near 7am AEDT

World Indices	Close	Prior	% Δ
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Local Markets

All Ordinaries	6,960.2	7,001.1	-0.6%
ASX 200	6,772.9	6,812.3	-0.6%
ASX Emerging Companies	1,853.3	1,858.7	-0.3%

US Markets

Dow Jones	32,929.0	32,784.3	0.4%
S&P500	4,166.8	4,137.2	0.7%
Nasdaq	14,335.5	14,109.6	1.6%
Russell 2000	1,636.9	1,657.0	-1.2%

Asian & European Markets

Shanghai Composite	3,021.5	2,988.3	1.1%
Nikkei	30,586.0	30,601.6	-0.1%
Hang Seng	17,406.4	17,043.5	2.1%
FTSE 100	7,334.0	7,354.6	-0.3%
DAX 30	14,716.5	14,731.1	-0.1%
CAC 40	6,825.1	6,889.0	-0.9%

S&P500 Sectors	Close	Prior	% Δ
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Information Technology	2,887.4	2,837.1	1.8%
Communication Services	217.4	212.8	2.2%
Consumer Discretionary	1,198.5	1,163.8	3.0%

Economic Releases	Time	F'cast	Prior
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CH - NBS Manufacturing PMI	12:30		
BOJ - Interest rate decision	14:00	-0.1%	-0.1%
US - Consumer Confidence	1:00		

Key BW Names	Close	Prior	% Δ
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Lotus Resources	0.220	0.245	-10.2%
Elementos	0.120	0.115	4.3%
Frontier Energy	0.310	0.325	-4.6%

Commodities	Close	Prior	% Δ
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Oil - West Texas Crude	82.54	83.38	-1.0%
Gold	1,996	1,984	0.6%
Gold (Aus)	3,131	3,137	-0.2%
Silver	23.32	22.80	2.3%
Uranium (Spot)	75.00	74.38	0.8%
Tin (Futures)	24,902	25,211	-1.2%
Copper	3.68	3.62	1.7%

Other Markets	Close	Prior	% Δ
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SPI200 Futures	6,798.0	6,801.0	0.0%
DX Index	106.1	106.6	-0.4%
AUD/USD	0.6373	0.6326	0.7%
2-Year Treasury Yield (%)	5.050	5.046	0 bp
10-Year Treasury Yield (%)	4.888	4.849	4 bp
US 2-10-Year Spread	-0.197	-0.164	-3 bp
VIX Index	19.74	20.67	-4.5%