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S&P 500 posts its 4th straight record close by cooler inflation; ASX to fall

- Global markets.** The S&P 500 rose on Thursday to post a fourth consecutive record close as traders weighed more data showing inflation pressures may be easing.

The broad market index climbed 0.23% to end at 5,433.74, while the Nasdaq Composite advanced 0.34% and closed at 17,667.56. Thursday marked the fourth straight closing record for both S&P 500 and the Nasdaq. The Dow Jones Industrial Average was the underperformer: It slipped 65.11 points, or 0.17%, to end at 38,647.10.

The S&P 500 and Nasdaq hit record levels this week, boosted by fresh data showing signs of inflation pressures cooling.

May's producer price index fell 0.2% from the prior month. Economists polled by Dow Jones expected an increase of 0.1%. That report comes a day after the Bureau of Labor Statistics posted consumer price index data for May that came in below the Street's expectations.

Thursday's data also follows a Federal Reserve policy decision. The Fed kept rates unchanged, but noted there has been progress made on the inflation front. That said, the central bank lowered its rate cut expectations for 2024 to one from its prior estimate of three.

Broadcom shares surged more than 12% after the chipmaker topped fiscal second-quarter expectations and announced a 10-for-1 stock split. On the other hand, Dave & Buster's Entertainment shares dropped nearly 11% after the company's first-quarter revenue missed estimates.

- In economic news.** Local: NZ BusinessNZ May manufacturing PMI at 8.30am
 Overseas data: Bank of Japan policy decision; EU April trade balance at 7pm; US June University of Michigan consumer sentiment
- In other markets.** The world is facing a major surplus of oil in the coming year that could push the price of global benchmark Brent down to \$60 per barrel, according to commodity analysts at Citi.
- Futures.** ASX futures down 6 points or 0.1% to 7751 near 7am AEST

World Indices	Close	Prior	% Δ
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Local Markets			
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All Ordinaries	8,002.5	7,963.1	0.5%
ASX 200	7,749.7	7,715.5	0.4%
ASX Emerging Companies	2,124.8	2,115.0	0.5%

US Markets			
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Dow Jones	38,647.1	38,712.2	-0.2%
S&P500	5,433.8	5,421.0	0.2%
Nasdaq	19,576.9	19,465.2	0.6%
Russell 2000	2,038.9	2,057.1	-0.9%

Asian & European Markets			
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Shanghai Composite	3,028.9	3,037.5	-0.3%
Nikkei	38,720.4	38,876.5	-0.4%
Hang Seng	18,112.6	17,937.9	1.0%
FTSE 100	8,163.7	8,215.5	-0.6%
DAX 30	18,265.7	18,630.9	-2.0%
CAC 40	7,708.0	7,864.7	-2.0%

S&P500 Sectors	Close	Prior	% Δ
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Information Technology	4,367.0	4,308.3	1.4%
Communication Services	302.3	305.3	-1.0%
Consumer Discretionary	1,458.8	1,461.8	-0.2%

Economic Releases	Time	F'cast	Prior
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AUS - Consumer Inflation Expectations	11:00		4.1%
BoJ - Interest Rate Decision	13:00	0.10%	0.1%

Key BW Names	Close	Prior	% Δ
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Lotus Resources	0.400	0.385	3.9%
Elementos	0.120	0.135	-11.1%
Frontier Energy	0.445	0.445	0.0%

Commodities	Close	Prior	% Δ
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Oil - West Texas Crude	77.76	78.31	-0.7%
Gold	2,303	2,322	-0.8%
Gold (Aus)	3,471	3,487	-0.5%
Silver	28.94	29.59	-2.2%
Uranium (Spot)	88.00	88.00	0.0%
Global X Uranium ETF	29.94	29.89	0.2%
Sprott Uranium Miners ETF	51.71	51.61	0.2%
Sprott Physical Uranium Trust	18.93	18.92	0.1%
Tin (Futures)	33,365	31,913	4.5%
Copper	4.47	4.51	-0.9%

Other Markets	Close	Prior	% Δ
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SPI200 Futures	7,749.0	7,782.0	-0.4%
DXY Index	104.7	105.3	-0.5%
AUD/USD	0.6636	0.6659	-0.3%
2-Year Treasury Yield (%)	4.701	4.756	-6 bp
10-Year Treasury Yield (%)	4.248	4.320	-7 bp
US 2-10-Year Spread	-0.197	-0.197	0 bp
VIX Index	11.95	12.03	-0.7%