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Dow slides +500pts, S&P 500 closes lower in sharp sell off Thurs.; ASX to fall

 Global markets. Stocks fell Thursday as investors continued to pare positions in high-flying technology names while taking profit on recent runs elsewhere.

The Dow Jones Industrial Average slid 533.06 points, or 1.29%, closing at 40,665.02. The S&P 500 dropped 0.78% to end at 5,544.59. The technology-heavy Nasdaq Composite lost 0.70%, closing at 17,871.22.

Thursday brought more dumping of megacap tech plays, a pattern seen in recent days as the growing likelihood of a September interest rate cut from the Federal Reserve bolstered optimism in the broader market. This excitement has largely helped small caps and more cyclical names, which are seen as bigger beneficiaries of lower borrowing costs, though those names also took a leg down following notable gains.

This shift away from tech came to a head on Wednesday, when the Nasdaq saw its worst daily performance since December 2022. Wednesday also marked the first session since 2001 where the Nasdaq posted a loss exceeding 2.5%, while the blue-chip Dow registered a gain.

But Thursday's sell-off appeared broader than tech alone. All but one of the 11 sectors that comprise the S&P 500 traded lower, while nine out of every 10 Dow members also saw losses. Even the small-cap focused Russell 2000, which has run up amid expectations for forthcoming interest rate cuts, dropped about 1.9%.

The S&P 500 has slipped more than 1% since the start of the week, while the Nasdaq Composite has fallen almost 3% amid the tech sell-off.

In economic news. No local data.

Overseas data: Japan June CPI; UK June retail sales

- In other markets. The VIX leapt 10 per cent to near a three-month-high. The NYSE Fang + Index, which tracks the megacap techs, slipped 0.4 per cent.
- Futures. ASX futures down 87 points or 1.1% to 7930 near 7am AEST

World Indices	Close	Prior	%Δ
Local Markets			
All Ordinaries	8,272.7	8,303.5	-0.4%
ASX 200	8,036.5	8,057.9	-0.3%
ASX Emerging Companies	2,170.5	2,189.1	-0.8%
US Markets	40.665.0	44 400 4	1 20/
Dow Jones S&P500	40,665.0 5,544.6	41,198.1	-1.3% -0.8%
Nasdag	19,705.1	5,588.3 19,799.1	-0.8% -0.5%
Russell 2000	2,206.8	2,272.2	-2.9%
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Asian & European Markets			
Shanghai Composite	2,977.1	2,962.9	0.5%
Nikkei	40,126.1		-2.4%
Hang Seng	1,778.4	17,739.4	-90.0%
FTSE 100	8,204.9	8,187.5	0.2%
DAX 30	18,352.3	,	-0.5%
CAC 40	7,586.6	7,570.8	0.2%
S&P500 Sectors	Close	Prior	%Δ
Information Technology	4,353.8	4,363.6	-0.2%
Communication Services	302.5	303.3	-0.3%
Consumer Discretionary	1.524.6	1,544.3	-1.3%
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Economic Releases	Time	F'cast	Prior
JPY - Inflation Rate YoY	9:30		2.80%
CHN - FDI (YTD) YoY	17:10		
Key BW Names	Close	Prior	%Δ
Lotus Resources	0.310	0.325	-4.6%
Elementos	0.115	0.115	0.0%
Frontier Energy	0.580	0.575	0.9%
Commodities	Close	Prior	%Δ
Oil - West Texas Crude	80.78	81.67	-1.1%
Gold	2,444	2,465	-0.8%
Gold (Aus)	3,646	3,657	-0.3%
Silver	29.80	30.37	-1.9%
Uranium (Spot)	85.00	85.00	0.0%
Global X Uranium ETF	28.40	29.10	-2.4%
Sprott Uranium Miners ETF	46.98	47.86	-1.8%
Sprott Physical Uranium Trust	18.18	18.92	-3.9%
Tin (Futures)	32,950	33,171	-0.7%
Copper	4.26	4.41	-3.4%
Other Markets	Close	Prior	%Δ
SBI200 Euturoo	7 020 0	7 096 0	
SPI200 Futures DXY Index	7,930.0	7,986.0	-0.7%
AUD/USD	103.7 0.6704	104.2 0.6728	-0.5% -0.4%
2-Year Treasury Yield (%)	4.471	4.438	-0.4% 3 bp
10-Year Treasury Yield (%)	4.471	4.438 4.159	3 bp 4 bp
US 2-10-Year Spread	-0.197	-0.197	4 bp 0 bp
VIX Index	15.92	14.47	10.0%
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