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Dow posts back-to-back loss Tues. as Wall St's rally pauses; ASX to bounce

- Global markets.** The S&P 500 and the Dow Jones Industrial Average ended Tuesday marginally lower, as investors grappled with persistent concerns about an uptick in interest rates and digested this week's latest earnings reports.

The S&P 500 ended the session lower by 0.05%, closing at 5,851.20. It was the broad market index's first back-to-back loss since early September. The 30-stock Dow slid 6.71 points, or 0.02%, ending at 42,924.89 and posting a second straight losing day. The Nasdaq Composite outperformed with a gain of 0.18% to 18,573.13.

Homebuilding stocks dropped on persistent higher-for-longer rate concerns, with Lennar and D.R. Horton each losing more than 3%.

Traders are also eyeing a fresh slate of earnings reports that are set to come out this week, including Tesla and Coca-Cola on Wednesday and Honeywell on Thursday.

On Tuesday, General Motors jumped nearly 10% after topping Wall Street's third-quarter expectations and raising its full-year guidance. Philip Morris also soared roughly 10% after the Marlboro maker raised its annual profit forecast, while Verizon shed 5% after its total revenue just missed analysts' forecast. Lockheed Martin shares dipped 6% after the military contractor posted lower-than-expected quarterly sales.

So far, roughly one-fifth of companies in the S&P 500 have reported results, with the majority topping earnings estimates, according to FactSet.

The market has been on a hot streak in October with the S&P 500 reaching a record and stretching its year-to-date gain to beyond 22%.

- In economic news.**
- In other markets.** The U.S. 10-year Treasury note yield earlier climbed above 4.2% for the first time in about three months before slightly pulling back from that level. Cautious commentary from Federal Reserve officials on the path of interest rate cuts has pushed yields higher.
- Futures.** ASX futures are up 15 points or 0.2 per cent to 8529 near 5.22am AEDT.

World Indices	Close	Prior	% Δ
<u>Local Markets</u>			
All Ordinaries	8,469.0	8,604.1	-1.6%
ASX 200	8,205.7	8,344.4	-1.7%
ASX Emerging Companies	2,338.9	2,357.1	-0.8%

<u>US Markets</u>			
Dow Jones	42,924.9	42,931.6	0.0%
S&P500	5,851.2	5,854.0	0.0%
Nasdaq	20,383.6	20,361.5	0.1%
Russell 2000	2,231.5	2,239.7	-0.4%

<u>Asian & European Markets</u>			
Shanghai Composite	3,285.9	3,268.1	0.5%
Nikkei	38,411.7	38,954.5	-1.4%
Hang Seng	20,499.0	20,478.5	0.1%
FTSE 100	8,306.6	8,318.2	-0.1%
DAX 30	19,421.9	19,451.7	-0.2%
CAC 40	7,535.1	7,536.2	0.0%

S&P500 Sectors	Close	Prior	% Δ
Information Technology	4,575.8	4,568.9	0.2%
Communication Services	316.6	315.4	0.4%
Consumer Discretionary	1,581.2	1,585.5	-0.3%

Economic Releases	Time	F'cast	Prior
CNY - BRICS Summit	11:00		

Key BW Names	Close	Prior	% Δ
Lotus Resources	0.315	0.315	0.0%
Elementos	0.083	0.081	2.5%
Frontier Energy	0.145	0.145	0.0%

Commodities	Close	Prior	% Δ
Oil - West Texas Crude	71.24	69.71	2.2%
Gold	2,760	2,739	0.8%
Gold (Aus)	4,114	4,085	0.7%
Silver	34.86	33.78	3.2%
Uranium (Spot)	84.00	84.00	0.0%
Global X Uranium ETF	32.75	33.25	-1.5%
Sprott Uranium Miners ETF	52.02	52.38	-0.7%
Sprott Physical Uranium Trust	20.12	19.92	1.0%
Tin (Futures)	31,313	31,313	0.0%
Copper	4.38	4.36	0.5%

Other Markets	Close	Prior	% Δ
SPI200 Futures	8,267.00	8,308.00	-0.5%
DXU Index	104.0	103.5	0.5%
AUD/USD	0.6681	0.6657	0.4%
2-Year Treasury Yield (%)	4.03	4.03	0 bp
10-Year Treasury Yield (%)	4.21	4.20	1 bp
US 2-10-Year Spread	0.18	0.16	1 bp
VIX Index	18.21	18.38	-0.9%