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Dow falls 280pts, S&P logs weekly loss as trade war escalates; ASX to fall

- **Global markets.** Stocks closed lower Friday, a day after the S&P 500 posted a new record high and President Donald Trump announced a 35% tariff on Canada and threatened higher tariffs across the board.

The Dow Jones Industrial Average lost 279.13 points, or 0.63%, to close at 44,371.51. The S&P 500 slid 0.33% to end at 6,259.75, and the Nasdaq Composite ended the day 0.22% lower at 20,585.53.

Friday's losses, driven by an escalation in the trade war, came after all three major averages rose during Thursday's session.

After Thursday's market close, Trump cited fentanyl as a reason for higher Canada duties, adding that they would go higher if the country retaliates. "If Canada works with me to stop the flow of Fentanyl, we will, perhaps, consider an adjustment to this letter," Trump said in a letter posted on Truth Social.

Trump then told NBC News he was planning blanket tariffs of 15% to 20% on remaining countries, higher than the current 10% standard that investors had grown comfortable with.

The S&P gained 0.3% on Thursday to notch a new record, while the tech-focused Nasdaq finished higher by 0.1% as investors shrugged off any worries around the latest trade developments, including a 50% U.S. tariff on imported copper as well as a 50% tariff on Brazil unveiled this week.

However, on Friday, traders waited for an update from Trump on the European Union tariffs, but none came during market hours. It's not clear whether the president will post a letter with a new rate like he did with Canada or simply give an update on progress of ongoing deal talks.

- **In economic news.** China Trade Balance and Imports/Exports YoY.
- **In other markets.** Brent crude oil is near \$US70 per barrel and the West Texas Intermediate is about \$US68.50 per barrel. Gold futures rose to \$US3364 an ounce, while iron ore on the Singapore exchange rose to \$US99.50 per tonne.
- **Futures.** ASX futures indicate the benchmark index will open 13 points lower on Monday.

| World Indices | Close | Prior | % Δ |
|------------------------|---------|---------|-------|
| <u>Local Markets</u> | | | |
| All Ordinaries | 8,820.3 | 8,826.7 | -0.1% |
| ASX 200 | 8,580.1 | 8,589.2 | -0.1% |
| ASX Emerging Companies | 2,320.5 | 2,310.1 | 0.5% |

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| <u>US Markets</u> | | | |
| Dow Jones | 44,371.5 | 44,650.7 | -0.6% |
| S&P500 | 6,259.7 | 6,280.5 | -0.3% |
| Nasdaq | 22,780.6 | 22,829.3 | -0.2% |
| Russell 2000 | 2,234.8 | 2,263.4 | -1.3% |

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| <u>Asian & European Markets</u> | | | |
| Shanghai Composite | 3,510.2 | 3,509.7 | 0.0% |
| Nikkei | 39,569.5 | 39,646.1 | -0.2% |
| Hang Seng | 24,139.6 | 24,028.4 | 0.5% |
| FTSE 100 | 8,941.1 | 8,975.7 | -0.4% |
| DAX 30 | 24,255.3 | 24,456.8 | -0.8% |
| CAC 40 | 7,829.3 | 7,902.3 | -0.9% |

| S&P500 Sectors | Close | Prior | % Δ |
|------------------------|---------|---------|-------|
| Information Technology | 5,044.8 | 5,055.8 | -0.2% |
| Communication Services | 371.6 | 372.4 | -0.2% |
| Consumer Discretionary | 1,786.1 | 1,780.1 | 0.3% |

| Economic Releases | Time | F'cast | Prior |
|---------------------------|-------|--------|-------|
| CNY - Imports/Exports YoY | 13:00 | | |
| CNY - Trade Balance | 13:00 | | |

| Key BW Names | Close | Prior | % Δ |
|-----------------|-------|-------|--------|
| Lotus Resources | 0.165 | 0.165 | 0.0% |
| Elementos | 0.120 | 0.100 | 20.0% |
| Frontier Energy | 0.170 | 0.205 | -17.1% |

| Commodities | Close | Prior | % Δ |
|-------------------------------|--------|--------|-------|
| Oil - West Texas Crude | 68.48 | 66.84 | 2.5% |
| Gold | 3,387 | 3,334 | 1.6% |
| Gold (Aus) | 5,134 | 5,039 | 1.9% |
| Silver | 38.46 | 37.08 | 3.7% |
| Uranium (Spot) | 73.00 | 72.00 | 1.4% |
| Global X Uranium ETF | 37.51 | 37.03 | 1.3% |
| Sprott Uranium Miners ETF | 45.67 | 45.00 | 1.5% |
| Sprott Physical Uranium Trust | 16.65 | 16.40 | 1.5% |
| Tin (Futures) | 33,666 | 33,311 | 1.1% |
| Copper | 5.58 | 5.61 | -0.6% |

| Other Markets | Close | Prior | % Δ |
|----------------------------|---------|---------|-------|
| SPI200 Futures | 8,548.0 | 8,600.0 | -0.6% |
| DX Index | 97.9 | 97.5 | 0.4% |
| AUD/USD | 0.6568 | 0.6594 | -0.4% |
| 2-Year Treasury Yield (%) | 3.89 | 3.87 | 2 bp |
| 10-Year Treasury Yield (%) | 4.42 | 4.45 | -3 bp |
| US 2-10-Year Spread | 0.52 | 0.58 | -5 bp |
| VIX Index | 16.39 | 15.77 | 3.9% |