

Commodities and Indices Market View

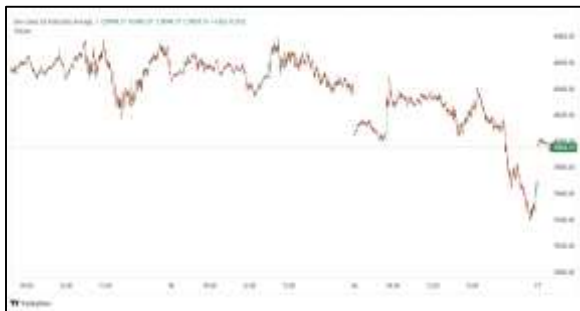
Friday, April 24, 2026



Technicals



S&P 500	RSI (20:80)	Sto Fast
	68.26	93.21% 93.20%



Dow Jones	RSI (20:80)	Sto Fast
	64.45	88.35% 86.14%

US Stock Market

DJIA	S&P 500	NASDAQ
49,310.32	7,108.40	24,438.50
-0.36%	-0.41%	-0.89%

U.S. stocks fell in choppy trading on Thursday as hopes dimmed for a quick end to the Iran war, while investors grappled with a mixed bag of earnings reports as concerns resurfaced about AI-driven disruption across the software sector. Equities had been holding near unchanged after Iran tightened control over the Strait of Hormuz. Tehran released footage of its commandos storming a huge cargo ship they claimed to have seized, while demanding the U.S. lift its naval blockade on Iranian ports.

The Dow Jones Industrial Average (.DJI), fell 179.71 points, or 0.36%, to 49,310.32, the S&P 500 (.SPX), lost 29.50 points, or 0.41%, to 7,108.40 and the Nasdaq Composite (.IXIC), lost 219.06 points, or 0.89%, to 24,438.50.

Declining issues outnumbered advancers by a 1.38-to-1 ratio on the NYSE and by a 2.03-to-1 ratio on the Nasdaq.

The S&P 500 posted 41 new 52-week highs and eight new lows while the Nasdaq Composite recorded 124 new highs and 103 new lows.

Volume on U.S. exchanges was 17.41 billion shares, compared with the 18.33 billion average for the full session over the last 20 trading days.

Major Economic Releases for Today

Period	Event	GMT	Forecast	Previous
APR	Consumer Price Index (MoM)	11:00	0.60%	0.40%
APR	Consumer Price Index (YoY)	11:00	3.30%	3.00%
APR	Core Consumer Price Index (YoY)	11:00	3.20%	3.20%
APR	PPI Core Output (MoM) n.s.a	11:00	--	-0.80%
APR	PPI Core Output (YoY) n.s.a	11:00	--	1.90%

Dow Jones Industrial Average

At the close in NYSE, the Dow Jones Industrial Average declined 0.37%. The best performers of the session on the Dow Jones Industrial Average were Caterpillar Inc (NYSE:CAT), which rose 3.26% or 26.37 points to trade at 835.24 at the close. Meanwhile, Verizon Communications Inc (NYSE:VZ) added 2.74% or 1.26 points to end at 47.24 and Coca-Cola Co (NYSE:KO) was up 2.24% or 1.68 points to 76.31 in late trade.



The worst performers of the session were Salesforce Inc (NYSE:CRM), which fell 8.75% or 16.61 points to trade at 173.19 at the close. International Business Machines (NYSE:IBM) declined 8.25% or 20.78 points to end at 231.08 and American Express Company (NYSE:AXP) was down 4.31% or 14.34 points to 318.56.



NASDAQ 100

At the close in NYSE, the NASDAQ Composite index fell 0.89%. The top performers on the NASDAQ Composite were EUDA Health Holdings Ltd (NASDAQ:EUDA) which rose 97.59% to 11.46, Dreamland Ltd (NASDAQ:TDIC) which was up 44.55% to settle at 1.46 and NewcelX AG (NASDAQ:NCEL) which gained 34.15% to close at 4.91.



The worst performers were zSpace Inc (NASDAQ:ZSPC) which was down 53.10% to 0.55 in late trade, Texxon Holding Ltd (NASDAQ:NPT) which lost 50.41% to settle at 1.83 and Avis Budget Group Inc (NASDAQ:CAR) which was down 48.38% to 229.14 at the close.

OIL

Oil prices rose on Friday morning over fears of renewed military escalation in the Middle East after Iran released footage of commandos boarding a cargo ship in the Strait of Hormuz and on reports Tehran's air defences had engaged "hostile targets".



Brent crude futures rose \$1.23, or 1.17%, to \$106.3 a barrel by 0107 GMT, while West Texas Intermediate futures were up \$1.07, or 1.12%, at \$96.92. Both benchmark contracts settled up more than 3% on Thursday and jumped \$5 a barrel.

Precious and Base Metals

Gold held steady on Friday, but was on track for a weekly drop as elevated oil prices fuelled fears of inflation and higher-for-longer interest rates amid stalled U.S.-Iran peace talks.

Spot gold was down 0.1% at \$4,686.29 per ounce, as of 0230 GMT. The metal is down 3% so far this week after a four-week winning run. U.S. gold futures for June delivery fell 0.5% to \$4,702.

While gold is considered an inflation hedge, high interest rates make yield-bearing assets more attractive, weighing on bullion's appeal.

Spot silver fell 0.3% to \$75.22 per ounce, platinum lost 0.6% to \$1,993.63.

While palladium was down 0.3% at \$1,464.12.



Traditional Agricultures

Soybeans saw weakness for much of the Thursday session, with contracts down 1 to 4 ¾ cents. The cmdtView national average Cash Bean price was down 4 cents at \$10.97 1/4.

Corn futures closed the Thursday session with most contracts ½ to 2 ¾ cents higher. The CmdtView national average Cash Corn price as up 1 3/4 cents at \$4.20.

The wheat complex was in rally mode on Thursday. KC HRW futures led the wheat rally, with gains of 10 ½ to 29 ¼ cents, led by the front months. Chicago SRW futures were up 10 to 13 1/4 cents in most contracts. MPLS spring wheat was 6 to 10 ½ cents in the green in at the close.



Future Settlement Price Friday, April 24th , 2026

Instrument	Last	Net Change	High	Low	Volume
S & P 500	7,141.75	-1.75	7,161.25	7,136.25	47,433.00
NASDAQ 100	27,040.00	106.00	27,135.75	26,992.00	37,171.00
Dow Jones	49,365.00	-125.00	49,494.00	49,320.00	4,830.00
Gold	4,685.20	-38.80	4,726.70	4,681.80	15,607.00
Silver	74.86	-0.64	75.94	74.67	3,529.00
Copper	6.14	-0.05	6.21	6.07	29,766.00
Crude Oil	96.60	0.75	97.60	95.88	21,078.00
Platinum	2,038.40	-49.70	2,095.90	2,003.80	11,730.00
Palladium	1,493.60	-62.60	1,565.50	1,464.50	5,535.00
Natural Gas	2.72	-0.04	2.74	2.72	2,598.00
Wheat	618-6	-5.00	623-2	617-4	4,724.00
Soy Beans	1173-2	-5.00	1176-4	1171-2	9,021.00
Corn	463-6	-2.00	464-2	463-0	7,536.00

Daily Swings (The Pivot Levels)

Instrument	Trading Range						
	S3	S2	S1	Pivot	R1	R2	R3
Dow Jones	48,946.54	49,109.02	49,299.52	49,462.00	49,652.50	49,814.98	50,005.48
S & P 500	7,078.59	7,090.75	7,114.32	7,126.48	7,150.05	7,162.21	7,185.78
NASDAQ 100	26,473.47	26,568.17	26,752.73	26,847.43	27,031.99	27,126.69	27,311.24
Gold	4,580.95	4,630.75	4,670.80	4,720.60	4,760.65	4,810.45	4,850.50
Silver	69.54	71.89	73.67	76.02	77.80	80.14	81.93
Copper	5.85	5.93	5.98	6.07	6.12	6.20	6.26
Crude Oil	87.38	89.90	93.36	95.88	99.34	101.86	105.32
Platinum	1,893.20	1,948.75	1,984.90	2,040.4	2,076.60	2,132.15	2,168.30
Palladium	1,336.00	1,400.00	1,437.75	1,501.7	1,539.50	1,603.50	1,641.25
Natural Gas	2.35	2.46	2.52	2.63	2.69	2.80	2.86
Wheat	597.16	602.38	612.31	617.53	627.46	632.68	642.61
Cotton	76.06	76.86	78.16	78.96	80.26	81.06	82.36
Corn	457.58	459.42	461.71	463.54	465.83	467.67	469.96

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