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MARKET DATA

S&P 500 **7,623.68 (−39.75, −0.52%; per Cboe delayed quote, last trade 16:14:59 ET)**

NASDAQ COMPOSITE **25,955.34 (−53.52, −0.21%; Nasdaq, close Fri 23 Oct, time not shown by provider)**

DJX **522.15 (−6.53, −1.24%; per Cboe delayed quote, last trade 16:42:55 ET; DJX is 1/100 of the Dow)**

As of Close of Fri 23 Oct ET · Dow figures are Cboe's DJX index (the Dow at 1/100 scale) multiplied by 100 · Source: Cboe delayed quote: S&P 500 (_SPX), Nasdaq Composite (COMP), Cboe delayed quote: DJX

FRONT PAGE · TOP STORY

Joint statement: R4 and European foreign ministers discuss Iran and Hormuz, agree on "urgent need" for de-escalation

GOVERNMENT · LEAD STORY

The foreign ministers of Türkiye, Egypt, Pakistan and Saudi Arabia (R4) met their French, German, Italian and UK counterparts in Istanbul on 23 October. A joint release published by the UK government says they discussed "the US/Israel-Iran conflict", the Israeli-Palestinian conflict and "escalated tension in Straits of Hormuz and Bab El Mandeb and the Black Sea". The ministers "agreed on the urgent need to address regional conflicts through dialogue, diplomacy and de-escalation" and agreed to keep meeting in this format.

Published: Sat 24 Oct, 03:41 ET · **Source:** GOV.UK: Joint Press Release on the R4 Ministerial Meeting in Istanbul

WORLD

1 ITEM

GOVERNMENT

Carney on UN Day: "cooperation is not an ideal – it is a necessity"

Canadian Prime Minister Mark Carney said "The post-war order is eroding" and that "In this fragmented world, cooperation is not an ideal – it is a necessity." He said Canada, "As the UN's sixth-largest contributor", will "work alongside fellow Member States to fulfil the organisation's mission and uphold the principles of its founding charter".

Published: Sat 24 Oct, 09:00 ET · **Source:** Prime Minister of Canada: Statement by Prime Minister Carney on United Nations Day

CENTRAL BANKS

1 ITEM

CENTRAL BANK

Coming week: Fed, Bank of Canada and ECB rate decisions

The Federal Reserve lists an FOMC meeting on 27–28 October 2026. The Bank of Canada lists its Interest Rate Announcement and Monetary Policy Report on 28 October at 09:45 ET. The ECB lists a Governing Council monetary policy meeting in Frankfurt on 28–29 October, followed by a press conference on 29 October.

Published: Calendars as of Sun 25 Oct · **Source:** Federal Reserve: FOMC calendars, Bank of Canada: Upcoming events, ECB: Governing Council meeting schedule

ECONOMY

1 ITEM

GOVERNMENT

Coming week: US GDP, personal income and the Employment Cost Index

BEA's schedule lists GDP (Advance Estimate), 3rd Quarter 2026, and Personal Income and Outlays, September 2026, both on 29 October at 08:30 ET. The BLS schedule lists the Employment Cost Index on 30 October at 08:30 ET.

Published: Calendars as of Sun 25 Oct · **Source:** BEA: News release schedule, BLS: Employment Cost Index schedule

OFFICIAL POSTS

4 ITEMS

OFFICIAL POST

Carney: Türkiye partnership "will unlock better access to a market of more than 85 million people"

Carney wrote: "Our new Strategic Partnership with Türkiye will unlock better access to a market of more than 85 million people." The post includes a video. These are Carney's statements; the partnership text was not reviewed for this item.

Published: Sat 24 Oct, 14:29 ET · **Source:** @MarkJCarney on X

OFFICIAL POST

Carney congratulates @LDoerkson on "your election victory"

Carney wrote: "Congratulations, @LDoerkson, on your election victory." He said he looks forward to working with him "as Premier to get more homes built, unleash our full potential as an energy superpower", and thanked "Premier @Dave_Eby, for your service".

Published: Sun 25 Oct, 00:12 ET · **Source:** @MarkJCarney on X

OFFICIAL POST

White House graphic claims $2.4 billion in Georgia investments and a $4,114 average tax refund

The White House posted: "Huge investments, massive increase in tax refunds and historic rural healthcare funding for the state of Georgia." The graphic (per image text) claims "$2.4 BILLION IN NEW INVESTMENTS", an "AVERAGE TAX REFUND OF $4,114 (UP FROM $3,169 IN 2025)", "$219M IN RURAL HEALTHCARE FUNDING" and "1.8 MILLION GEORGIA SENIORS PAID NO TAX ON SOCIAL SECURITY". These are the White House's figures; the post cites no sources.

Published: Sat 24 Oct, 20:12 ET · **Source:** @WhiteHouse on X

OFFICIAL POST

Trump on Truth Social, Saturday to early Sunday (24 posts)

Twenty-four posts on the official account between 07:51 ET Saturday and 02:02 ET Sunday; none after 02:02 ET as of about 04:20 ET Sunday. No official White House transcript or video of Saturday's events was found.

- 07:51 ET: Trump announced "a BIG RALLY today in the Great State of Georgia" in honor of Rep. Mike Collins and governor candidate Rick Jackson. Post
- 08:08 ET: Trump wrote that there is "a Fake News report out there that I am going to remove the White House Press Room and bring back the old Swimming Pool", and that "the old swimming pool will never be brought back." Post
- 08:14 ET: "Big Rally in Georgia today! Broadcast LIVE on RSBN, all day." Post
- 08:47 ET: Trump urged Floridians to vote early for Republicans "UP AND DOWN THE BALLOT". Post
- 08:47 ET: A list of Florida endorsements, including Ashley Moody for U.S. Senate and Byron Donalds for Governor. Post
- 08:48 ET: A Michigan early-voting appeal, saying in-person early voting runs "all the way through November 1st". Post
- 09:55 ET: A list of Michigan endorsements, including Mike Rogers for U.S. Senate and John James for Governor. Post
- 09:56 ET: A New Jersey early-voting appeal, with in-person early voting "all the way through November 1st". Post
- 09:57 ET: New Jersey endorsements of Jeff Van Drew, Chris Smith and Tom Kean for U.S. Congress. Post
- 10:25 ET: A video with no caption: a Newsmax Greg Kelly Reports segment headed "DON'T BELIEVE THE LIES" (per on-screen text). Post
- 10:46 ET: A repost of his 07:51 ET Georgia rally post. Post
- 10:47 ET: "Georgia: See you at 7 P.M." with a YouTube live-stream link. Post
- 12:46 ET: A link to a YouTube stream titled "LIVE: President Trump Holds a Rally in Macon, GA - 10/24/26". Post
- 13:41 ET: An aerial photo of the Reflecting Pool captioned on the image "Back, and more beautiful than ever!" Post
- 14:19 ET: The same live-stream link, now titled "LIVE: President Trump Holds a Rally in Perry, GA - 10/24/26". Post
- 14:32 ET: A meme image with no caption, styled as an incoming call reading "Scam Likely" and "Mogadishu,Somalia" (per image text). Post
- 14:32 ET: A repost of the live-stream link. Post
- 21:43 ET: A black-and-white photo of a football player in jersey 24, with no caption and no readable text beyond the jersey number. Post
- 22:32 ET: A video with no caption: a Mike Collins for Georgia campaign ad, with on-screen text "Jon Ossoff voted NO on the Laken Riley Act". Post
- 23:08 ET: Trump said Jon Husted "has just taken the lead in the Polls" in the Ohio Senate race; the photo shows Trump holding a picture labelled "17 Interceptions". Post
- 23:13 ET: Trump called Senator Lisa Murkowski "The Republicans' Worst Senator", said she "is against the DOJ filing a Lawsuit", and urged a vote "YES" AGAINST RANKED CHOICE VOTING, on Ballot Measure 2; the image reads "SCAM!" above a ranked-choice Senate ballot. Post
- 23:34 ET: A second post on Murkowski and ranked choice voting: "Miracles happen!" Post
- 00:42 ET (Sun): Trump called Obama "a grossly incompetent President!" and urged Michigan voters: "VOTE FOR MIKE ROGERS!" Post
- 02:02 ET (Sun): Trump praised Rob Carson's Newsmax show "WHAT IN THE WORLD". Post

Published: Sat 24 Oct, 07:51 ET to Sun 25 Oct, 02:02 ET; times per post

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