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MARKET DATA

NASDAQ COMPOSITE **25,065.88 (-187.26, -0.74% from the prior close of 25,253.14; Nasdaq, dated Tue 10 Nov, time not shown by provider)**
NASDAQ-100 **27,740.80 (-166.83, -0.60% from the prior close of 27,907.63; Nasdaq, dated Tue 10 Nov, time not shown by provider)**
As of Close of Tue 10 Nov ET · Source: Nasdaq Composite (COMP), Nasdaq-100 (NDX)

FRONT PAGE · TOP STORY

US consumer prices rose 0.4% in October, BLS says

GOVERNMENT · LEAD STORY

The Bureau of Labor Statistics said the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers "increased 0.4 percent on a seasonally adjusted basis in October after rising 0.6 percent in September". The index for all items less food and energy "rose 0.3 percent in October, as it did in September and August." Shelter rose 0.3 percent, "accounting for over thirty percent of the monthly all items increase". Food rose 0.5 percent and energy 0.7 percent.

Published: Tue 10 Nov, 08:30 ET (per the BLS release) · **Source:** US Bureau of Labor Statistics: Consumer Price Index, October 2026 (PDF)

WORLD

5 ITEMS

OFFICIAL POST

Zelensky says Russian officers in Abu Dhabi "say they have already occupied half of Donbas"

Official post · not independently verified. Zelensky wrote that after the Abu Dhabi meetings his team told him "the Russians think and say they have already occupied half of Donbas, which remains under our control." He wrote: "the American side confirmed the Ukrainian assessment of what is happening on the battlefield." On X: 564,521 views and 3,265 reposts as of Wed 11 Nov, 04:13 ET.

Published: X post Tue 10 Nov, 17:04 ET (statement dated 10 Nov, time not disclosed) · **Source:** @ZelenskyyUa on X and European Commission: Statement on today's meeting in Abu Dhabi between the EU, France, Germany, Italy, United Kingdom, Ukraine, United States and NATO

OFFICIAL POST

Zelensky meets Nordic leaders in Copenhagen, cites power outages in Ukraine

Official post · not independently verified. Ukraine's president wrote that he met Nordic leaders in Copenhagen and thanked "our Nordic friends – Denmark, Iceland, Norway, Sweden, and Finland". He wrote that "Europe must absolutely be at the negotiating table" and "Hundreds of thousands of families live with power outages every day." On X: 112,515 views and 581 reposts as of Wed 11 Nov, 04:13 ET.

Published: X post Tue 10 Nov, 16:24 ET · **Source:** @ZelenskyyUa on X

OFFICIAL POST

Justice Department charges three Iran-backed operatives over nearly 20 attacks and attempted attacks

Official post · not independently verified. The Justice Department said "an eight-count superseding indictment was unsealed today" charging three men, including over "a September 2026 terrorist plot at a British Royal Air Force Base in Fairford, United Kingdom". It said: "A superseding indictment is merely an allegation." On X: 60,795 views and 490 reposts as of Wed 11 Nov, 04:13 ET.

Published: X post Tue 10 Nov, 15:15 ET (release dated 10 Nov, time not disclosed) · **Source:** @TheJusticeDept on X and US Department of Justice: Three Iranian-Backed Operatives Indicted

OFFICIAL POST

Vance calls the Hegseth impeachment question "absurd"; Hegseth calls it "sabotage"

Official post · not independently verified. Vice President JD Vance wrote: "Has Pete Hegseth committed impeachable crimes? The question is absurd and the answer is: obviously not." A White House release quoted Secretary of War Pete Hegseth: "This is not patriotism; this is sabotage." On X: 2,780,316 views and 4,664 reposts as of Wed 11 Nov, 04:13 ET.

Published: X post Tue 10 Nov, 11:36 ET (release dated 10 Nov, time not disclosed) · **Source:** @JDVance on X and White House: Secretary Hegseth Torches Baseless Impeachment Stunt

OFFICIAL POST

Hegseth says the US and Poland signed a defense-industry statement of intent

Official post · not independently verified. Secretary of War Pete Hegseth wrote that at the Pentagon he met "my Polish counterpart, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of National Defense Władysław Kosiniak-Kamysz". He wrote that they "signed a Statement of Intent on strengthening of defense industry cooperation." On X: 148,121 views and 1,274 reposts as of Wed 11 Nov, 04:13 ET.

Published: X post Tue 10 Nov, 14:38 ET · **Source:** @SecWar on X

CENTRAL BANKS

2 ITEMS

CENTRAL BANK

Fed's Bowman says she sees "signs that inflation pressures are persisting"

At the Council on Foreign Relations, Federal Reserve Vice Chair for Supervision Michelle Bowman said: "Today, I am seeing signs that inflation pressures are persisting, while labor market conditions appear to be firming." She said "today's consumer price index suggests that 12-month core PCE inflation likely moved up further to 3.3 percent in October".

Published: Tue 10 Nov (page date); time not disclosed · **Source:** Federal Reserve: The U.S. Economy and Considerations for Monetary Policy (speech by Vice Chair for Supervision Michelle W. Bowman)

CENTRAL BANK

Norges Bank says the risk of serious events that could weaken financial stability has increased

Norway's central bank, in its bi-annual Financial Stability Report, quoted Deputy Governor Pål Longva: "The Norwegian financial system is resilient. Households and firms have ample debt-servicing capacity, and banks are solid. At the same time, the risk of serious events that could weaken financial stability has increased".

Published: Wed 11 Nov, 02:30 ET (page: published 08:30 Norway time) · **Source:** Norges Bank: Increased risk of serious events that could weaken financial stability

TRADE

1 ITEM

OFFICIAL POST

Bessent says he will join Trump in Shenzhen next week to meet Xi

Official post · not independently verified. Treasury Secretary Bessent said: "next week, I will join President Trump in Shenzhen, where the two leaders will meet before a fourth encounter in Miami." He said: "we reached consensus to identify more favorable tariff treatment for $30 billion of non-sensitive goods in each direction." On X: 11,345 views and 72 reposts as of Wed 11 Nov, 04:13 ET.

Published: X post Tue 10 Nov, 22:02 ET (remarks as prepared for delivery, page dated 11 Nov, time not disclosed) · **Source:** @USTreasury on X and US Treasury: Remarks from Secretary of the Treasury Scott Bessent at the National Committee on U.S.-China Relations Gala

ECONOMY

1 ITEM

GOVERNMENT

EU Parliament and Council agree the EU's 2027 annual budget, the Commission says

The European Commission said it "welcomes the agreement reached last evening between the European Parliament and the Council of the European Union on the annual EU budget 2027." It said the budget "includes major support to Ukraine, both through the Ukraine Facility and the Ukraine Support Loan". Its table lists total appropriations of €199,707.5 million, including €3,078.5 million for security and defence.

Published: Wed 11 Nov (page date); time not disclosed · **Source:** European Commission: Bringing the current MFF to a successful

close: agreement on the final Annual Budget

REGULATION

1 ITEM

REGULATOR

SEC says it filed 348 enforcement actions in fiscal year 2026

The Securities and Exchange Commission said: "In fiscal year 2026, the Commission filed 348 enforcement actions, including 235 standalone actions", plus 113 follow-on administrative proceedings. It said it obtained orders for monetary relief "totaling $1.095 billion" and "returned approximately $731 million to more than 250,000 harmed investors."

Published: Tue 10 Nov (page date); time not disclosed · **Source:** SEC: SEC Announces Enforcement Annual Results for Fiscal Year 2026

ENERGY

2 ITEMS

GOVERNMENT

EIA expects Brent crude near $100 a barrel for the rest of this year

The EIA said: "we expect the Brent crude oil spot price will remain near $100 per barrel (b) for the remainder of this year." It forecast Brent "will gradually fall to an average of $77/b in the fourth quarter of 2027." It said U.S. commercial crude oil inventories "fell to 410 million barrels at the end of October, the lowest end-of-October level since 2014."

Published: Tue 10 Nov (release date); time not disclosed · **Source:** US Energy Information Administration: Short-Term Energy Outlook, November 2026

GOVERNMENT

UK government welcomes a £12 billion RWE and KKR offshore wind investment

The UK government said RWE and KKR "have announced a total investment of £12 billion" for the Vanguard West and Vanguard East offshore wind farms, "set to be operational by 2030". Financing includes "a £1 billion investment from the UK's National Wealth Fund". Prime Minister Andy Burnham said: "This major investment in UK renewables is a vote of confidence for building in Britain."

Published: Wed 11 Nov (page date); time not disclosed · **Source:** GOV.UK: Prime Minister hails major investment in UK renewables

TECH

1 ITEM

OFFICIAL POST

NASA says Chandra found a hidden companion behind a giant star's outbursts

Official post · not independently verified. NASA wrote that "scientists identified the culprit behind the eruptions—a hidden companion to the volatile star." Its article said this companion of the star AT 2016blu is "either a stellar-mass black hole, or the dense collapsed core of a massive star called a neutron star." On X: 287,678 views and 282 reposts as of Wed 11 Nov, 04:13 ET.

Published: X post Tue 10 Nov, 19:00 ET (article Mon 9 Nov, 13:55 ET, per page metadata) · **Source:** @NASA on X and NASA Science: NASA's Chandra Finds Source of Star's Mysterious Outbursts

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