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Stock Markets

S&P/ASX 200	5,411.52	-50.79	NZSX 50	5,117.84	-7.82
DJIA	16,373.12	-79.60	Nikkei	15,120.14	-153.93
NASDAQ	4,321.68	-14.54	FTSE	6,689.45	-23.22
S&P 500	1,872.31	-5.73	Hang Seng	22,264.93	-395.56
SPI 200 Fut	5,408.00	-12.00	TRJCRB Index	305.94	-1.25

Bonds

AU 10 YR Bond	4.176	-0.045	US 10 YR Bond	2.779	-0.013
NZ 10 YR Bond	4.660	+0.000	US 30 YR Bond	3.720	-0.004

Currencies (Prev at 7pm NZST)

AUD US\$	0.9015	0.9025	NZD US\$	0.8463	0.8459
EUR US\$	1.3873	1.3883	Yen US\$	103.19	103.09

Commodities

Gold (Lon)	1344.00	Silver (Lon)	20.990
Gold (NY)	1339.85	Light Crude	101.30

Overnight market action with latest New York figures.

EQUITIES

NEW YORK - U.S. stocks fell on Monday weighed by soft data out of **China**, lingering concerns over Russia's claim over part of Ukraine and Boeing's latest production setback.

Merger and **acquisition** announcements, as well as **company**-specific news including on Facebook and Alexion Pharma, helped stem losses.

The Dow Jones industrial average fell 81.56 points or 0.5 percent, to 16,371.16, the S&P 500 lost 6.16 points or 0.33 percent, to 1,871.88 and the Nasdaq Composite dropped 15.89 points or 0.37 percent, to 4,320.333.

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LONDON - Britain's top **equity** index fell to its lowest closing level since mid-February on Monday, dragged down by major **mining** stocks and telecoms group Vodafone

The blue-chip FTSE 100 index closed down by 0.4 percent, or 23.22 points, at 6,689.45 points - marking its lowest closing level since it ended at 6,663.62 points on Feb. 14.

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TOKYO - Japanese shares retreated from a five-week high on Monday as disappointing **Chinese** trade data and uncertainty over the crisis in Ukraine prompted investors to lock in recent gains.

The benchmark Nikkei closed down 1 percent at 15,120.14, slipping from a five-week peak hit on Friday, in thin trading volume.

The broader Topix index shed 0.8 percent to close at 1,227.61, with 1.88 **billion** shares changing hands, the lowest volume since Aug. 26.

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FOREIGN EXCHANGE

NEW YORK - The U.S. dollar held steady against major currencies on Monday, supported by hopes U.S. job growth would pick up in the wake of last week's mildly encouraging report on hiring and as tension over Ukraine remained contained.

The dollar index was little changed at 79.743, holding above four-month lows set prior to Friday's U.S. jobs data that showed a greater-than-forecast 175,000 workers found jobs in February.

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TREASURIES

NEW YORK - U.S. Treasuries traded mostly flat on Monday ahead of debt auctions this week with no new U.S. economic data on tap for now.

Prices on benchmark 10-year U.S. Treasuries were last up 3/32 to yield 2.78 percent. That level was down just slightly from last Friday, when the 10-year yield traded at 2.79 percent.

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COMMODITIES

GOLD

NEW YORK - **Gold** recovered from early losses to edge higher on Monday as support from the standoff in Ukraine offset pressure from last week's strong U.S. payrolls data and weakness in other commodities after a sharp drop in **Chinese** exports.

Spot **gold** was up 0.2 percent at \$1,342.60 an ounce at 1214 GMT, while U.S. **gold** futures for April delivery were up \$4.70 an ounce to \$1,342.90.

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BASE METALS

LONDON - London **copper** hit an eight-month low on Monday and Shanghai contracts dropped by their 5 percent daily limit, fanned by fears over the unwinding of **copper** finance deals in **China** after its first domestic bond default last week.

Three-month **copper** on the London Metal Exchange closed at \$6,649 a tonne from \$6,782 at the close on Friday. It earlier slid as low as \$6,608 a tonne, its weakest since June 25 and within a whisker off nearly three-year lows.

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OIL

NEW YORK - U.S. **oil** fell by more than \$1 per barrel on Monday, pressured by an unexpected drop in **China**'s exports that stoked fears of a slowdown in the world's second-largest economy.

After two straight days of gains, Brent crude was trading 1.09 cents lower at \$107.91 by 1:40 p.m. EDT (1740 GMT), having fallen \$1.25 earlier in the session. U.S. **oil** fell \$1.61 to \$100.97 a barrel after touching a high of \$102.82.

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