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Stock Markets
S&P/ASX 200 5,362.96 -70.11 NZSX 50
                                    5,236.29 +54.95
     17,172.04 -107.70
D.TT A
Nikkei
         16,205.90 -115.27
NASDAQ
S&P 500
         4,526.12 -53.67 FTSE
                                     6,773.63 -64.29
                         Hang Seng 23,955.49 -350.67
           1,993.51
                   -16.89
SPI 200 Fut 5,350.00 -10.00 TRJCRB Index
                                      277.67
                                             -1.73
Bonds AU 10 YR Bond 3.593 -0.072 US 10 YR Bond
                                           2.560 -0.027
NZ 10 YR Bond 4.255 -0.005 US 30 YR Bond
                                      3, 281 -0, 019
Currencies (Prev at 7pm NZST)
AUD US$ 0.8876 0.8914 NZD US$
                                     0.8122 0.8134
EUR US$
            1.2844 1.2863 Yen US$
                                      108.80 108.80
Commodities
                   Silver (Lon)
Gold (Lon) 1213.50
                                      0.000
                        Light Crude
Gold (NY)
           1216.19
                                       91.52
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Overnight market action with latest New York figures.

EQUITIES

NEW YORK - Clorox Co's CLX. N shares hit a new year-high on Monday and volume on the home cleaning products maker's options soared after the **company** said it is discontinuing its Venezuela **operations** and will look to divest its assets as the business is no longer viable.

Index snapshot at 14:11 EDT (1813 GMT): S&P 500 was falling 16.33 points, or 0.81 percent. Nasdaq Comp was losing 61.72 points, or 1.35 percent. Dow industrials was dropping 84.38 points, or 0.49 percent.

Russell 2000 was falling 17.49 points, or 1.52 percent. S&P MidCap was dropping 17.57 points, or 1.24 percent. S&P SmallCap was losing 7.75 points, or 1.18 percent. For a full report, double click on

LONDON - Britain's top **equity** index slid on Monday, led lower by supermarket retailer Tesco TSCO.L which slumped as it cut its profit forecast for the third time in two months after finding a fault in its accounts.

The blue-chip FTSE 100 index, which rose 0.3 percent on Friday on relief that Scotland voted against breaking away Page 98 of 272 © 2018 Factiva, Inc. All rights reserved.

from the UK, closed down 64.29 points, or 0.9 percent, at 6,773.63, extending its retreat from this month's 14-1/2 year high of 6,904.86.

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TOKYO - Japan's Nikkei share average dropped on Monday as investors booked gains in heavyweight Softbank 9984.T after the listing of Alibaba Group Holding Ltd BABA. N, but the broader market held firmer near six-year high.

The Nikkei declined 0.7 percent to 16,205.90, with a 6.1 percent slide in Softbank shares accounting for more than a half of the benchmark's fall.

The broader market was firmer, with the Topix down just 0.1 percent at 1,330.88, sticking near a six-year high hit on Friday, while the new JPX-Nikkei Index 400 was flat at 12,088.93.

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FOREIGN EXCHANGE

NEW YORK - The dollar softened on Monday as other major currencies recovered some ground after 10-weeks of gains by the dollar index, its longest winning streak since the greenback's free float in 1973.

The Aussie fell 0.75 percent to a seven-month low of \$0.8857 and one-month volatility - bets on the scale of swings in the Aussie's value that traders use to hedge growing risk jumped to a 6-month high of 8.95 percent.

The euro, which traded at nearly \$1.40 in May, was up 0.06 percent against the dollar at \$1.284 after touching a high of \$1.2867.

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TREASURIES

NEW YORK - Long-dated Treasuries yields dipped to their lowest in over a week on Monday on the view that lingering weakness in U.S. economic data may force the Federal Reserve to maintain a dovish stance on raising interest rates.

Benchmark 10-year U.S. Treasury notes were last up 3/32 in price to yield 2.57 percent, from a yield of 2.59 percent late Friday.

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NEW YORK - Gold prices inched up on Monday on short-covering after a dollar rise and technical selling sent the precious metal to its weakest since early January earlier in the day.

Spot gold touched a low of \$1,208.36 an ounce, then inched up 0.1 percent to \$1,216.89 by 2:04 p. m. EDT (1804 GMT).

U.S. COMEX gold futures for December delivery settled up \$1.30 an ounce at \$1,217.90, with trading volume about 10 percent above its 30-day average, preliminary Reuters data showed.

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BASE METALS

LONDON - Copper skidded to a three-month low on Monday, weighed by demand concerns ahead of manufacturing data from top consumer China that is likely to show stalling factory growth in the world's second-largest economy.

Three-month copper on the London Metal Exchange (LME) closed 1.7 percent weaker at \$6,720.50 a tonne after touching \$6,707.25, its lowest level since June 19.

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NEW YORK - Crude oil futures fell more than \$1 on Monday as ample supply and slowing economic growth in Europe and China outweighed expectations of a cut in oil output from the Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC).

Brent crude for November delivery was down \$1.85 at \$96.54 a barrel at 11:32 a.m. CDT (1632 GMT).

U.S. October crude futures fell \$1.11 to \$91.30 a barrel, down for a fourth consecutive session ahead of the contract's expiration on Monday.

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