

Australia stocks lower at close of trade; S&P/ASX 200 down 0.95%

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Investing.com – Australia stocks were lower after the close on Monday, as losses in the Gold, Metals&Mining and Materials sectors led shares lower.

At the close in Sydney, the S&P/ASX 200 lost 0.95%.

The best performers of the session on the S&P/ASX 200 were Zip Co Ltd (ASX:ZIP), which rose 7.91% or 0.06 points to trade at 0.75 at the close. Meanwhile, Pro Medicus Ltd (ASX:PME) added 4.11% or 4.31 points to end at 109.11 and Wisetech Global Ltd (ASX:WTC) was up 3.02% or 2.24 points to 76.67 in late trade.

The worst performers of the session were Silver Lake <u>Resources</u> Ltd (ASX:SLR), which fell 11.86% or 0.15 points to trade at 1.12 at the close. Resolute Mining Ltd (ASX:RSG) declined 8.33% or 0.03 points to end at 0.36 and <u>Ramelius Resources</u> Ltd (ASX:RMS) was down 7.32% or 0.12 points to 1.49.

Falling stocks outnumbered advancing ones on the Sydney Stock Exchange by 830 to 384 and 301 ended unchanged.

Shares in Pro Medicus Ltd (ASX:PME) rose to all time highs; gaining 4.11% or 4.31 to 109.11.

The S&P/ASX 200 VIX, which measures the implied volatility of S&P/ASX 200 options, was up 4.33% to 12.52 a new 1-month high.

Gold Futures for April delivery was down 0.30% or 6.25 to \$2,047.45 a troy ounce. Elsewhere in commodities trading, Crude oil for delivery in March rose 0.57% or 0.41 to hit \$72.69 a barrel, while the April Brent oil contract rose 0.67% or 0.52 to trade at \$77.85 a barrel.

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AUD/USD was unchanged 0.05% to 0.65, while AUD/JPY fell 0.07% to 96.58.

The US Dollar Index Futures was up 0.12% at 103.91.

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