

# USA Market Outlook - 8 June 2023

Following the lackluster performance to start the week, the major U.S. stock indexes moved in opposite directions during trading on Wednesday. While the tech-heavy Nasdaq moved sharply lower, the Dow posted a modest gain.

The Nasdaq tumbled 171.52 points or 1.3 percent to 13,104.90 after ending Tuesday's trading at its best closing level in well over a year. The S&P 500 also fell 16.33 points or 0.4 percent to 4,267.52, while the Dow rose 91.74 points or 0.3 percent to 33,665.02.

Software stocks moved sharply lower over the course of the session, dragging the Dow Jones U.S. Software Index down by 3.3 percent. The index continued to give back ground after reaching its best closing level in over a year on Monday.

Significant weakness also emerged among retail stocks, with the Dow Jones U.S. Retail Index falling by 1.4 percent after ending Tuesday's trading at a nearly nine-month closing high.

Meanwhile, energy stocks saw substantial strength on the day, driving the Philadelphia Oil Service Index and the NYSE Arca Oil Index up 3.4 percent and 2.9 percent, respectively. The rally by energy stocks came amid an increase by the price of crude oil, as crude for July delivery climbed \$0.79 to \$72.53 a barrel.

Transportation stocks also saw considerable strength, resulting in a 2.5 percent surge by the Dow Jones Transportation Average. The average ended the session at its best closing level in well over a month.

A report released by the Commerce Department on Wednesday showed the U.S. trade deficit widened significantly in the month of April. The Commerce Department said the trade deficit increased to \$74.6 billion in April from a revised \$60.6 billion in March.

U.S. Treasury yields rose Wednesday as investors looked toward the Federal Reserve's next meeting a week ahead amid a quiet week for economic data.

China's Share of U.S. Goods Imports Falls to Lowest Since 2006. Overall imports to U.S. rose in April, while exports declined

Job creation in the US remained robust last month, despite rising prices and a sharp spike in borrowing costs weighing on the economy.

Millions of people in the eastern U.S. woke up Wednesday to another day of hazy skies, as smoke from wildfires in eastern Canada continues to waft over much of the country.

Merck said it sued the U.S. government, seeking an injunction of the drug price negotiation program contained in the Inflation Reduction Act, which it argues violates the Fifth and First Amendments to the U.S. Constitution.

The government has avoided default, but the effects of the debt-ceiling brinkmanship may still ripple across the economy. Alan Rappeport reports on the Treasury Department from Washington, and Joe Rennison covers financial markets from New York.

## Top Gainers

Company	Last Price	Change%
Mosaic Co.	\$36.28	4.86%
Boston Properties Inc.	\$54.48	4.69%
Marathon Petroleum Corp.	\$114.12	4.67%
Zions Bancorp N.A.	\$31.49	4.55%
Microchip Technology Inc.	\$80.99	4.50%

## Top Losers

Company	Last Price	Change%
Amazon.com Inc.	\$121.23	-4.25%
Fair Isaac Corp.	\$757.18	-4.15%
Ansys Inc.	\$312.85	-3.91%
Alphabet Inc. Cl C	\$122.94	-3.89%
Zoetis Inc.	\$163.58	-3.86%

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