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MARKET TREND

INDEX	02/06/2026	YTD	COMMO	02/06/2026	1Y	CURRENCIES	02/06/2026	YTD	BONDS	02/06/2026	1Y ▲
S&P500	7,599.96	11.02%	GOLD	4,530.70	33.98%	EUR-USD	1.165	-0.83%	US 10 Y	4.48%	3
NASDAQ	27,086.81	16.54%	SILVER	76.76	120.80%	GBP-USD	1.347	0.04%	UK 10 Y	4.93%	22
DOW JONES	51,078.88	6.27%	WTI	90.63	51.02%	USD-CAD	1.384	1.06%	AUS 10 Y	4.93%	62
EURO STOXX	6,087.96	4.06%	NAT. GAS	3.20	-24.36%	CHF-USD	1.273	0.82%	SW 10 Y	0.42%	12
HANG SENG	25,951.81	1.26%	CORN	441.75	-5.15%	USD-CNY	6.761	-3.36%	NOR 10 Y	4.30%	29
TA-125	4,286.78	17.24%	COFFEE	260.05	-17.44%	USD-ILS	2.813	-11.41%	ISR 10 Y	3.72%	-77

Overview:

Global stock markets ended the week mixed but generally positive as investors balanced strong technology-sector performance against concerns over inflation, interest rates, and geopolitical developments. U.S. equities remained near record highs, supported by artificial intelligence-related stocks and resilient corporate earnings. European markets advanced modestly as lower energy prices and improving business confidence offset weak manufacturing data. Asian markets were mixed, with Japan outperforming while Chinese equities remained pressured by concerns over domestic growth. In Israel, the TA-125 remained near historic highs, supported by strong institutional inflows, a resilient economy, and expectations of continued monetary easing later in the year.

WORLDWIDE TOP NEWS

- Governments across Europe accelerated defense procurement programs and military modernization initiatives
- Global energy companies announced new investments in LNG infrastructure and energy security projects
- International trade discussions intensified as countries sought to strengthen supply chain resilience and strategic partnerships
- Global travel demand remained strong ahead of the summer season, supporting airlines and tourism-related industries
- Several countries announced major investments in critical minerals and rare-earth supply chains
- Food commodity markets stabilized following improved harvest expectations in key producing regions
- Climate adaptation and water infrastructure projects received increased public and private sector funding
- Manufacturing companies continued reshoring and nearshoring operations to reduce geopolitical risks
- Major infrastructure projects were announced across Asia, the Middle East, and North America
- Consumer confidence improved modestly in several developed economies as inflation pressures eased

REAL ESTATE

- Build-to-rent residential projects continued attracting institutional capital across North America and Europe
- Student housing remained one of the strongest-performing property sectors due to persistent demand and limited supply
- Data center development accelerated globally as artificial intelligence increased computing and storage requirements
- Prime office assets in major financial centers showed improved leasing activity despite ongoing hybrid work trends
- Hospitality real estate benefited from strong international tourism and business travel demand
- Residential rental markets remained tight in many large cities, supporting rental growth and occupancy rates
- Industrial and logistics properties continued benefiting from e-commerce expansion and supply chain optimization
- Real estate debt funds expanded lending activity as traditional bank financing remained selective
- Sustainable and energy-efficient buildings continued attracting premium valuations and investor interest
- Mixed-use developments gained popularity as cities focused on urban regeneration and densification projects

BANKING & FINANCE

- Several global banks announced expanded share buyback programs and dividend increases following stronger-than-expected capital ratios
- Private wealth management divisions reported strong net new money inflows as high-net-worth clients increased allocations to diversified portfolios
- Credit spreads tightened across investment-grade corporate bonds, reflecting improved investor confidence and stable default expectations
- Sovereign wealth funds and pension funds increased allocations to infrastructure, private equity, and alternative investments
- Money market funds continued attracting substantial inflows as investors sought attractive short-term yields while awaiting clearer rate guidance
- Structured product issuance increased in Europe and Asia as investors looked for yield-enhancing solutions in a lower-volatility environment
- Corporate refinancing activity accelerated as companies sought to lock in funding ahead of potential market volatility later in the year
- Fintech companies continued expanding digital payment and embedded finance solutions, particularly in Asia and the Middle East
- Cross-border capital flows improved as investors increased exposure to international equities and emerging market debt
- Private banking institutions reported growing demand for portfolio-backed lending and Lombard credit facilities as clients sought liquidity without selling investments

TECHNOLOGY

- Artificial intelligence adoption expanded rapidly across healthcare, finance, manufacturing, and legal services
- Enterprise software providers launched new AI-powered productivity and automation tools for corporate clients
- Robotics investments increased as companies sought to improve efficiency and address labor shortages
- Quantum computing research attracted additional funding from governments and private investors worldwide
- Semiconductor manufacturers announced capacity expansion plans to meet future AI and high-performance computing demand
- Space technology companies advanced satellite communication and earth-observation projects
- Autonomous vehicle development continued progressing through expanded testing and commercial partnerships
- Cybersecurity firms reported strong demand for cloud security and identity protection solutions
- Digital infrastructure investments increased across data centers, fiber networks, and cloud platforms
- Battery technology innovations improved energy density and charging efficiency for electric vehicles

Key Economic Indicators:

- Global manufacturing PMIs showed modest expansion, indicating continued economic resilience despite higher interest rates
- Service-sector activity remained stronger than manufacturing activity across most developed economies
- Wage growth moderated in several regions, helping support expectations of gradually declining inflation
- Household savings rates stabilized after several quarters of decline in major economies
- Corporate earnings forecasts remained broadly positive despite slowing economic growth expectations
- Business investment indicators improved as companies increased spending on technology and infrastructure
- International trade volumes showed gradual recovery after previous supply-chain disruptions
- Commodity prices remained relatively stable, reducing pressure on producer costs
- Fiscal spending programs continued supporting economic activity in infrastructure, energy, and defense sectors
- Economists maintained moderate global growth forecasts while monitoring geopolitical and monetary policy risks

Outlook:

The upcoming week is expected to be driven primarily by economic data releases, central bank commentary, and developments in the technology sector. Investors will focus on inflation trends, labor market conditions, and business activity indicators to assess the timing of future interest-rate cuts. Equity markets should continue to benefit from strong AI-related investment themes and resilient corporate earnings, while bond markets are likely to remain sensitive to inflation expectations. Overall sentiment remains constructive, although volatility could increase if economic data materially alters expectations for growth or monetary policy.

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