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WISYNCO Wisynco Group Limited	P/E: 14.95x P/B: 3.45x Price: \$18.99 Div Yield: 2.11%	OVERWEIGHT Throughout the pandemic, Wisynco has managed to improve its operational efficiency but given the effects of COVID-19 on industries such as tourism and education, the Company was unable to deliver significant revenue growth. Now, with tourism rebounding and schools operating at a greater level, Wisynco has married its improved operational efficiency with stronger revenue growth, allowing for significant net profit growth. As tourism is expected to continue growing towards its pre-pandemic level of output, we expect Wisynco to continue to perform well. Wisynco Equity Report
JMMBGL JMMB Group Limited	P/E: 7.70x P/B: 1.23x Price: \$30.27 Div Yield: 0.83%	OVERWEIGHT Given its relatively low P/E ratio and considering the Group's consistently strong performance throughout the pandemic, the market has been underpricing JMMBGL significantly relative to its local counterparts. JMMBGL's price has declined by 5.8% YTD which provides investors with an opportunity to acquire JMMBGL shares at a more attractive price. The long-term outlook for the company and the stock remains favorable, buoyed by an expanding regional footprint. In July JMMBGL closed on its acquisition of a commercial bank in the Dominican Republic (DR) which now enables the company to offer a full range of financial services in the market. The DR operations currently contributes 17% of net operating revenue and we will be keen to watch the effect of the expansion to JMMBGL's performance over the next few quarters. JMMB Equity Report
MASSY Massy Holdings Limited	P/E: 10.23x P/B: 1.25x Price: \$100.00 Div Yield 3.50%	OVERWEIGHT Massy Holdings Limited. (MHL, Massy), through its portfolio companies, engages in trading, manufacturing, distribution, and service industry businesses throughout the Caribbean region. The company operates through three portfolios: Integrated Retail, Gas Products, Motors, and Machine and two business lines: Financial Services, and Strategic and Other Investments. In financial year 2020, Massy transitioned from a Conglomerate to an Investment Holding Company. By so doing, Massy's strategy has changed, with the Group focusing mainly on its core portfolios. These core areas of the business represent Massy's competitive advantages, are well-positioned to scale, and are therefore expected to drive strategic growth going forward. Massy Equity Report

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LASD Lasco Distributors	P/E: 7.62x P/B: 1.12x Price: \$2.51 Div Yield: 3.59%	OVERWEIGHT Lasco Distributors has continued its growth trajectory, displaying resilience throughout the pandemic, and we expect this to continue post-pandemic supported by the improving economic backdrop of the global economy. As continued domestic demand for goods and services remain strong, the company is also looking to strengthen its exports as well as continue to launch new product lines. However, this isn't without challenges as global supply shocks has affected LASD's gross margins. In response, management has prudently managed operational costs such that higher imported inflationary costs has not completely eroded the bottom line, resulting in continued growth. Lasco Distributors Equity Report
SCIJMD/SCIUSD Sygnus Credit Investments	P/E: 9.24x / 11.28x P/B: 0.71x / 0.87x Price: \$12.64/ \$0.10 Div Yield: 3.17% / 2.58%	OVERWEIGHT Sygnus' business model is built on providing capital and direction to the underbanked, targeting the middle market. To accomplish this, the Company has executed several capital raises involving equity, preference shares and debt raise. Sygnus has demonstrated their commitment to growth and being the market leader in the regional private credit space with their acquisition of a Puerto Rico-based, private credit firm, Acrecent Financial in Q3 of their financial year. This acquisition has significantly added to the group's income and overall profitability. The stock trades at significant discount relative to peers both from a P/E perspective and a P/B perspective. At present, given Sygnus' strong current and expected future growth, the market is pricing Sygnus at a steep discount to its book value per share. Sygnus Credit Investments Equity Report
TROPICAL Tropical Battery Limited	P/E: 12.70x P/B: 2.39x Price: \$2.39 Div Yield: 1.04%	OVERWEIGHT Tropical Battery has been aggressively pursuing revenue diversification strategies, to reduce its dependence on auto battery and accessory sales. This is evident by the company's recent launch of three new subsidiaries aimed at providing renewable energy solutions for commercial customers. In addition, the company recently implemented a new inventory management system that has yielded improved operational efficiencies in addition to targeted sales initiatives that have improved revenue growth. We believe that the Company will continue to grow as they build out new revenue lines, improve operational efficiencies and drive targeted sales initiatives. Tropical Battery Equity Report

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PROVENJMD/ PROVENUSD Proven Group Limited	P/E: 22.25x / 21.33x P/B: 0.90x / 0.82x Price: \$25.37 / \$0.16 Div Yield: 3.20% / 3.25%	OVERWEIGHT Proven has shown a decline in profitability throughout the current financial year, a performance driven by lower share of earnings of associates and higher operating expenses. The company continues to demonstrate its appetite for growth through acquisitions as evidenced by the recent 100% acquisition of Fidelity Bank (Cayman). The company has a history of acquiring companies with accretive value. We expect that profit margins will improve in the future as one-off spending related to recent acquisitions pass.
LUMBER Lumber Depot Limited	P/E: 10.62x P/B: 2.83x Price: \$2.23 Div Yield: 2.33%	OVERWEIGHT Lumber represents an option to gain exposure to the construction sector which has been a relatively resilient and fast-growing sector. With this sector tailwind, Lumber has shown strong revenue growth since its 2019 listing and the financial year 2022 revenue and net profit are 10.1% and 26.8% higher than financial year 2021 revenue and earnings, respectively. We are still monitoring how the company progresses given the loosening of restrictions and continued growth in the construction sector. We also note that despite the growth it has shown over the last 2 years, the stock still trades at an attractive PE compared to Junior market peers. Lumber Depot Equity Report
LAB The Limners and Bards Limited	P/E: 25.11x P/B: 3.90x Price: \$2.26 Div Yield: 4.00%	OVERWEIGHT The LAB saw strong demand for its services throughout the pandemic, with revenue growth of 35% in FY2021. For the latest financial year revenue grew by approximately 10%, an indication of continued demand for the Company's services. However, net profit declined by 7% primarily due to higher administration costs, currency translation losses and losses on "SCOPE Caribbean". To date, SCOPE has not been profitable which has negatively impacted the Lab's net profit growth. This is not abnormal for a new business, and we expect this should turnaround as the business scales. The 2022 FY was the first full operational year for SCOPE, which saw take up of its services offered while it continues to explore additional revenue streams. With the LAB consistently positive operating cash flows and a current cash balance that is 1.64x larger than the Company's current liabilities, we believe the Lab is poised to invest its capital efficiently towards further growth. The LAB Equity Report

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JBG Jamaica Broilers Group Limited	P/E: 7.83x P/B: 1.76x Price: \$36.10 Div Yield: 1.86%	OVERWEIGHT JBG's financial performance has rebounded nicely from the lows seen in FY2020, driven by the recovery in the Jamaican economy and tourist arrivals, coupled with JBG's growing presence in the US market and the increasing production of the Best Dressed Chicken line of products. The loss making Haiti operation has been discontinued which should contribute to improved margins in the coming quarters. Positive results from expansion into the United States and recovery in Jamaican operations, along with stringent cost control have contributed to the surge in profitability in the first half of the 2023 financial year. Jamaica Broilers Group Equity Report
SEP Seprod Limited	P/E: 15.95x P/B: 1.86x Price: \$72.73 Div Yield: 2.06%	OVERWEIGHT Seprod saw its financial performance surge for the 2022 financial year, owing to the strategic acquisition of AS Bryden, with revenues and net profit growing by 82% and 93% respectively. Going into the 2023 financial year, we expect easing of supply chain pressures, stability in commodity prices, and further consolidation of profits from AS Bryden to further lift net profits. Along with new products, Seprod also plans to aggressively target growth in export markets and is currently in the process of making necessary investments to increase capacity of its margarine plant. Seprod Limited Equity Report
LASM Lasco Manufacturing	P/E: 9.07x P/B: 1.63x Price: \$4.11 Div Yield: 2.43%	OVERWEIGHT We expect that the Company's growth trajectory will be sustained, however, in the short term, the financial results have seen an impact from the overall macroeconomic conditions since the pandemic. Margins across the board have been compressed despite record profitability in 2022. Despite continued record tourism arrivals and growth in key sectors such as entertainment, steps need to be taken to restore margin progression. Against this backdrop it is notable that inflationary pressures and supply issues that plagued the company from 2022 to the first quarter of this year will likely begin to ease in the spring of 2023, suggesting a rebound in net profit growth for the company moving forward beyond FY 2023. Plans to further expand its geographical footprint by driving the contribution of export to its revenue will be value-added to the long-term sustainability of the Company's operations Lasco Manufacturing Equity Report

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GK GraceKennedy Limited	P/E: 10.43x P/B: 1.04x Price: \$77.99 Div Yield: 2.59%	MARKETWEIGHT For the year ended December 31, 2022, GK reported significant top-line growth, however, margin deterioration contributed to a decline in the bottom line. Revenues increased by 10.5% while profits saw a 15.1% decline of flat as operating expenses grew at a faster rate than revenues. The company cited challenges presented by high inflation globally, sustained supply chain issues, increasing interest rates, and foreign currency volatility as issues that have affected profit margins. GK continues to advance its merger & acquisition (M&A) strategy, after it increased its stake in Catherine's Peak Bottling Company Limited in the first quarter of 2023 to move its ownership stake from 35% to 70%, thus granting them a stronger position in the spring water market. The company continues to seek M&A transactions locally and internationally. These acquisitions stand to add more diversity and growth to the company's earnings. GraceKennedy Group Equity Report
MAILPAC Mailpac Group Limited	P/E: 16.33x P/B: 7.68x Price: \$1.96 Div Yield: 8.67%	MARKETWEIGHT During the peak periods of the pandemic, MAILPAC benefited immensely as online shopping became a larger share of shoppers' wallets. In large part, this period of heavy demand driven by pandemic restrictions has passed and while we anticipate online shopping will remain integral for the everyday consumer, the outsized growth we witnessed in FY2020 and FY2021 will not be repeated. Admittedly, the Company has a robust balance sheet with more cash than total liabilities which we believe places MAILPAC in a position to make growth-inducing investments. However, the current slowdown in demand and consequently revenue and profit growth underscores our MARKETWEIGHT recommendation Mailpac Group Equity Report
SGJ Scotia Group Jamaica Limited	P/E: 8.84x P/B: 1.02x Price: \$34.38 Div Yield: 4.07%	MARKETWEIGHT The greatest driver of profitability in FY2021 was the reduction of Expected Credit Losses (ECL) relative to the previous year as the economic backdrop improved. Scotia is not likely to have this benefit recur to the magnitude it did in FY2021. The group has made an accelerated effort to digitize its business in line with its digital strategy to drive efficiency and better service customer needs. SGJ is looking to further consolidate its operations and funnel investments in core operations through technology and talent, while also looking to enter new markets and launch new products. Scotia has two major positives. The first is that the current rising interest rate environment supports the Group's bank model, more so than other listed financial institutions. The second is that SGJ is a consistent source of relatively attractive dividends which makes the Company a good asset for investors with a clear preference for income. Scotia Group Equity Report

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FTNA Fontana Limited	P/E: 15.21x P/B: 4.47x Price: \$9.28 Div Yield: 2.16%	MARKETWEIGHT Fontana has been growing and expanding since listing on the junior exchange in 2019. The Company has plans to expand, which include a new outlet to bring its footprint to a total of seven locations. In its most recent quarter, Net Profit saw a 32.7% increase over the same quarter in the prior financial year. Further, the cost of sales has been impacted given the current inflationary environment and is likely to continue being affected in the near to medium term. However, the company continues to grow organically and is financially positioned to do so. Due to the current environment and increased finance costs, profitability could dampen in the near term but in the long term, the addition of its new outlet could support growth. On balance, the Company has both significant risks and the potential for upside, which underscores our recommendation. Fontana Equity Report
SVL Supreme Ventures Limited	P/E: 26.63x P/B: 11.74x Price: \$27.76 Div Yield: 3.35%	MARKETWEIGHT Supreme Ventures is the market leader in the lottery and gaming industry. The company has also in recent years embarked on an aggressive growth strategy through several acquisitions (Champion Gaming and Post To Post Betting). The company would have been impacted by the pandemic as the lockdown measures impacted its operations at Caymanas Park. With the easing of restrictions, the Company should benefit from an easing of lock down restrictions and a normalization of business. Despite this, in the medium term we note that the company now has competition in the lottery segment of the market which may negatively impact margins. The degree to which this might impede the pace of revenue growth will however depend on the take up of new games such as Scratchaz which, at present, seems popular amongst younger consumers as it is a new addition to the Company's product offerings. Supreme Ventures Equity Report
ECL Express Catering Limited	P/E: 19.78x P/B: 10.03x Price: \$4.90 Div Yield: N/A	MARKETWEIGHT ECL has seen improved performance as the tourism industry rebound, following the pandemic, has been robust. However, the Company is not currently operating at pre-covid efficiency levels, as price increases due to the current global supply chain challenges have driven higher costs across all product categories. While we do expect the tourism industry to continue to recover, driving ECL's revenues to grow and likely surpass pre-covid levels by FY2023/FY2024, the inflationary pressures can not be ignored. Longer-term we do expect the company to reap the benefits of their expanded footprint within the Sangsters International Airport as well as the return to trend growth in stopover arrivals. ECL Equity Report

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MDS Medical Disposable Supplies	P/E: 12.44x P/B: 1.09x Price: \$4.85 Div Yield: 1.86%	Medical Disposables and Supplies have quietly been diversifying its revenue streams over the last 2 years. This is inclusive of its purchase of 60% of Cornwall Medical and Dental Supplies(CMDL) which has been consolidated into the company's financials as of their second quarter 2021. This increases the company's exposure to the dental supplies space and expands their reach into the western end of the island. The company has also shifted to providing more confectionary products and we believe its expansion and diversification efforts are worth watching.
SOS Stationery & Office Supplies Limited	P/E: 14.54x P/B: 3.40x Price: \$14.98 Div Yield: 1.20%	Stationery and Office Supplies presents investors with another option to benefit from the reopening of the domestic economy. A core segment of their business would have suffered from the lockdown measures and work from home, namely the sale of furniture and its SEEK line of books. However, during that period stationary sales have done well to fill that revenue gap. With the resumption of economic activity, the return to office and the expansion in the BPO sector, SOS might be a large beneficiary in 2022.
SJ Sagicor Group Jamaica Limited	P/E: 10.59x P/B: 2.36x Price: \$50.50 Div Yield: 3.17%	Sagicor Group Jamaica Limited would have been adversely impacted by the pandemic even more so than the typical financial sector company due to their exposure to the tourism sector. This would have therefore led to sizeable impairment losses on their investment in associated companies (i.e., Playa Hotel and Resorts). For 2022 we therefore expect to see some amount of recovery as the group has disposed of their investments in Playa which will stem impairment losses while simultaneously still having direct exposure to travel through their US resort (The Hilton DoubleTree) while their banking services should benefit from a pickup in economic activity.

***The "Monitoring List" represents stocks that are on our radar as our initial expectation for these companies is positive. However, no official recommendation is presented as these stocks are still being evaluated.*

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VMIL Victoria Mutual Investments Limited	P/E: 7.80x P/B: 1.78x Price: \$3.62 Div Yield: 0.00%	OVERWEIGHT Victoria Mutual has recently rebranded under the "VM Group". By association, there has been implications for VMIL. For example, the Company has been significantly more active in the capital markets through its investment banking arm. We expect continued growth in the investment banking space will add considerable value to the Company's bottom line which has already shown clear improvement throughout FY2021. VMIL Equity Report

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Unit Trust

Unit Trust Fund	24/05/2023	17/05/2023	Week/Week Return	Year-to-Date Return	1 Year Return	Yield
Capital Growth	80.0825	79.1900	1.13%	-16.42%	-16.25%	-
Money Market	15.8166	15.8056	0.07%	1.81%	3.38%	4.71%
Income Portfolio	100	100	0.00%	-	-	5.37%
FX Bond Portfolio (US\$)	1.3657	1.3607	0.37%	1.84%	1.66%	4.81%
Real Estate Portfolio	12,285.01	12,302.33	-0.14%	54.79%	2164.35%	-
FX Growth Portfolio	0.8732	0.8762	-0.34%	3.26%	-3.11%	-
FX Income Accumulator	1.0062	1.0081	-0.19%	0.49%	-	2.39%

“Someone's sitting in the shade today
because someone planted a tree a
long time ago.”

Warren Buffett

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LOCAL EQUITY MARKET

For the week ended May 26, 2023, the local stock market as measured by the Combined Index advanced by 1.95%. The Main Market Index advanced by 2.15%, the Junior Market Index advanced by 0.10%, and the JSE USD Equities Index declined by 7.24%. During the week, Sygnus Real Estate Finance Limited was the largest gainer, rising by approximately 32.74% to close at \$13.42. The biggest decliner was Ironrock Insurance Company Limited which fell by 26.00% to close at \$1.85.

Small-cap stocks, reflecting those listed on the Junior Market Index are underperforming on a YTD basis, declining by 5.93%, relative to its Main Market counterpart which has declined by 5.29%.

For the week ended May 26, 2023, overall market activity resulted from trading in 126 stocks of which 52 advanced, 59 declined and 15 traded firm. Market volume amounted to 33,381,604 units valued at over \$463,892,649.76. Paramount Trading (Jamaica) Limited was the volume leader with 28,036,663 units (20.81%), followed by Fosrich Company Limited with 18,817,782 units (13.97%), and Transjamaican Highway Limited with 16,964,046 units (12.59%).

Revisiting relevant news during the week:

Honey Bun receives coveted Safe Quality Food Certification

Honey Bun (1982) Limited, the popular Jamaican bakery established 40 years ago, has attained the internationally recognised Safe Quality Food (SQF) certification.

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CPJ charting \$1.1-billion expansion plan

Caribbean Producers (Jamaica) Limited (CPJ) will be spending an extra US\$7 million (J\$1.09 billion) to expand its operations in Jamaica and St Lucia as it gears up for the influx of 6,000 additional hotel rooms to be built in the coming years and expansion on the eastern end of Jamaica.

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Spur Tree seasons Q1 results

Sauce and seasonings company Spur Tree Spices, at the end of its first quarter ended March, reported increased revenues of approximately \$384 million — 62 per cent above the corresponding quarter of last year.

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VM Group puts out feelers for local, regional acquisitions

VM Group Limited has its feelers out for attractive businesses to buy, on the heels of the \$11 billion raised on the private market from an offer of preference shares through new entity VM Financial Group.

VM Group puts out feelers for local, regional acquisitions

Lee-Chin to take on operational role in Canada during NCB leave of absence

NCB Financial Group Limited sought to quell speculation on Wednesday night regarding its chairman, billionaire investor Michael Lee-Chin, after initially announcing his pending leave of absence from the board without explanation.

Lee-Chin to take on operational role in Canada during NCB leave of absence

FosRich prepares to export PVC pipes to the US

FosRich Company Ltd has established a new company in the US as part of its preparation for the export of PVC pipes to the North American superpower. FosRich Founder and Managing Director Cecil Foster said the company is preparing to export PVC pipes to the USA, possibly before the end of the year.

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Index	26/05/2023	19/05/2023	31/12/2022	Week/Week	Year-to-Date
JSE Main Market	337,061.22	329,965.49	355,896.64	2.15%	-5.29%
JSE Junior Market	3,750.17	3,746.40	3,986.44	0.10%	-5.93%
JSE Combined Market	348,830.07	342,174.74	368,591.98	1.95%	-5.36%
JSE USD Equities Market	210.20	226.61	233.97	-7.24%	-10.16%
JSE Financial Index	75.46	74.44	85.88	1.37%	-12.13%
JSE M&D Index	100.86	98.18	97.42	2.73%	3.53%

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INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENTS

U.S. Benchmarks end mixed as investors watch debt ceiling negotiations

The major benchmarks ended mixed as investors watched carefully for signs of progress in negotiations over raising the federal debt ceiling. The technology-heavy Nasdaq Composite outperformed and ended the week up 23.97% for the year-to-date period—a stark contrast to the 0.16% decline of the narrowly focused Dow Jones Industrial Average over the period. Similarly, the Russell 1000 Growth Index ended up 20.75% over the period, while the Russell 1000 Value Index—heavily weighted in the struggling financials sector—was down 1.64%. Markets were scheduled to be closed on Monday, May 29, in observance of Memorial Day.

Relatedly, alongside the debt ceiling negotiations, the signal event in the week may have been Thursday's 24% jump in the shares in chipmaker NVIDIA, which took the company's market capitalization to roughly USD 963 billion by the end of the week and made it the sixth most highly valued public company in the world. Shares rose after the company beat consensus first-quarter earnings expectations by a wide margin and raised its profit outlook. The large move in such a heavily weighted stock reverberated throughout the major benchmarks—one of T. Rowe Price's traders remarked that Thursday was among the most remarkable sessions he had witnessed in the last 25 years.

"X-date" draws near

Debt ceiling negotiations resumed after President Joe Biden returned from Japan at the start of the week, but markets headed downward as signs emerged that little progress was being made. The S&P 500 Index fell 1.1% on Tuesday, its biggest drop since the start of the month, following reports that some Republicans in the House of Representatives were questioning the urgency of the deadline set by U.S. Treasury Secretary Janet Yellen for when the government would become unable to meet its obligations—the so-called x-date. On Thursday, the Federal Reserve released revised data showing that the Treasury's General Account had dwindled to USD 49.5 billion by Wednesday—USD 18.9 billion less than a week before and USD 752.2 billion below its level a year ago.

Europe

Shares in Europe fell on signs that the economic outlook may be worsening and continued uncertainty over U.S. debt ceiling talks. In local currency terms, the pan-European STOXX Europe 600 Index slid 1.59%. Major stock indexes also weakened. Germany's DAX declined 1.79%, France's CAC 40 Index dropped 2.31%, and Italy's FTSE MIB tumbled 2.93%. The UK's FTSE 100 Index lost 1.67%.

German economy in recession, business confidence declines

The German economy lapsed into recession in the first quarter, according to official figures. Gross domestic product shrank 0.3% in the three months through March, a downward revision from an early estimate of zero growth that reflected a sizable drop in household consumption. Germany's economy contracted 0.5% in the final three months of last year. Meanwhile, German companies became more uncertain about the year ahead, with the Ifo Institute's business confidence index falling in May for the first time in seven months.

ECB policymakers hint at extended period of higher rates

European Central Bank (ECB) policymakers echoed ECB President Christine Lagarde's view that interest rates would need to rise further and stay high to curb inflation in the medium term. Bank of Spain Governor Pablo Hernandez de Cos said policy tightening still had "some way to go" and that "interest rates will have to remain in restrictive territory for an extended period of time to achieve our objective in a sustained manner over time." Banque de France Governor Francois Villeroy de Galhau said: "I expect today that we will be at the terminal rate not later than by summer."

Japan

Dollar strengthens versus yen

Hawkish comments from the Fed during the week added to speculation that U.S. rates will remain higher for longer. Meanwhile, Governor Kazuo Ueda reconfirmed the Bank of Japan's ultra-loose monetary policy stance until inflation sustainably hits its 2% target. These divergent paths pushed the U.S. dollar to a six-month peak against the Japanese currency, trading in the higher JPY 139 range by Friday's close.

China

Chinese stocks fell after a batch of disappointing indicators in recent weeks pointed to a flagging economic recovery. The benchmark CSI 300 Index fell 2.4%, its biggest weekly drop since the five days ended March 10 and erasing all its gains this year, according to Bloomberg. In Hong Kong, the benchmark Hang Seng Index fell below the psychologically key 19,000-point level to its lowest close since December in a holiday-shortened trading week.

T.RowePrice

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Dow Jones	33,093.34	33,426.63	33,147.25	-1.00%	-0.16%
S&P 500	4,205.45	4,191.98	3,839.50	0.32%	9.53%
NASDAQ 100	14,298.41	13,803.49	10,939.76	3.59%	30.70%
FTSE 100	7,627.20	7,756.87	7,451.74	-1.67%	2.35%
Euro Stoxx 50	4,337.50	4,395.30	3,793.62	-1.32%	14.34%

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