

Husson Stock Index

Week Ending April 9, 2021

For the week ending April 9th, the Husson Stock Index (HSI) finished at 221.91. It was up 1.54% when compared to last week's close at 218.54. In comparison to the HSI, the S&P 500 closed out the week at 4,128.80 which was up 2.71% compared to the prior week closing of 4,019.87. This year to date, HSI is up 7.43% while the S&P 500 is up 9.92%.

Summary

The two highest performing stocks of the week were Lowe's Companies Inc. (LOW: NYSE) at an 3.76% or \$7.19 increase, and The Home Depot, Inc. (HD: NYSE) at a 3.73% or \$11.48 increase. According to Zacks Equity Research, Lowe's is showing a solid future. It has outperformed in comparison to the rest of the industry over the past three months, while also outperforming the S&P 500 over the past ten years. Lowe's is up 23.67% this year to date. According to Zacks Equity Research, on May 18, 2021 Home Depot is expected to report earnings of year-to-year growth of over 36%. Home Depot is up 20.18% this year to date.

The two lowest performing stocks of the week were Valero Energy Corporation (VLO: NYSE) with a 5.59% or \$4.21 decrease, and Covetrus, Inc (CVET: NASDAQ) with a 4.80% or \$1.45 decrease. According to MarketWatch, Valero is taking a hit because of its larger than expected costs from winter storm Uri. The company is expected to report net losses anywhere from \$1.75 a share, to \$2.06 a share. Valero is up 25.67% this year to date. There were no news reports about Covetrus, which is down 0.03% this year to date.

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Overview

The HSI was developed by Marie Kenney, while a student at Husson University, in consultation with Associate Professor J. Douglas Wellington. The index is currently being tracked and analyzed by Husson student, Jesse Rhudick. The HSI tracks and analyzes the stocks of 29 companies that are considered to have an effect on the Maine economy. These companies are either based in Maine or have an influence on the Maine economy through employment or consumer spending. This price-weighted index

offers a numerical breakdown of Maine’s economy. The analysis looks into the events of the week and finds the likely reasons the index went up or down. This index and analysis help provide a better understanding of Maine’s economy as well as explain significant changes in stock prices of the companies that comprise the HSI.

Composition of the Husson Stock Index (HSI)

Ticker Symbol: Exchange	Stock	Maine Affiliation	Sector
AGR: NYSE	Avangrid, Inc.	Presence	Utilities
ANCUF: TSX	Alimentation Couche-Tard Inc Class B	Presence	Consumer Staples
BAC: NYSE	Bank of America Corporation	Presence	Financials
BHB: NYSE	Bar Harbor Bank	Maine- based	Financials
CAC: NASDAQ	Camden National Corporation	Maine- based	Financials

CHTR: NASDAQ	Charter Communications, Inc.	Presence	Communications Services
CL: NYSE	Colgate-Palmolive Company	Maine- based	Consumer Staples
CVET: NASDAQ	Covetrus, Inc.	Maine- based	Health Care
DRI: NYSE	Darden Restaurants, Inc.	Presence	Consumer Discretionaries
FNLC: NASDAQ	The First Bancorp, Inc.	Maine- based	Financials
GD: NYSE	General Dynamics Corporation	Presence	Industrials
HLT: NYSE	Hilton Worldwide Holdings, Inc.	Presence	Consumer Discretionaries
HD: NYSE	The Home Depot, Inc.	Presence	Consumer Discretionaries
ICCC: NASDAQ	ImmuCell Corporation	Maine- based	Health Care

IDXX: NASDAQ	IDEXX Laboratories, Inc.	Maine- based	Health Care
LOW: NYSE	Lowe's Companies, Inc.	Presence	Consumer Discretionaries
MCD: NYSE	McDonald's Corporation	Presence	Consumer Discretionaries
NBN: NASDAQ	Northeast Bank	Maine- based	Financials
PENN: NASDAQ	Penn National Gaming, Inc.	Presence	Consumer Discretionaries
RAD: NYSE	Rite Aid Corporation	Presence	Consumer Staples
RTX:NYSE	Raytheon Technologies Corporation	Presence	Industrials
TD: NYSE	The Toronto-Dominion Bank	Presence	Financials
TMUS: NASDAQ	T-Mobile US, Inc.	Presence	Consumer Services

UPS; NYSE	United Parcel Service, Inc.	Presence	Industrials
UNM: NYSE	Unum Group	Presence	Financials
VLO: NYSE	Valero Energy Corporation	Presence	Energy
WMT: NYSE	Walmart Inc.	Presence	Consumer Staples
WEX: NYSE	WEX Inc.	Presence	Information Technology
WBA: NASDAQ	Walgreens Boots Alliance, Inc.	Presence	Consumer Staples