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| Indices | Close | Change (Pts) |
|---------|----------|--------------|
| SENSEX | 15000.91 | -16.30 |
| NIFTY | 4370.20 | -3.45 |
| DJIA | 12861.47 | -167.45 |
| NASDAQ | 2458.83 | -40.29 |

| Currency | Close | Change (%) |
|----------|-------|------------|
| 1 USD | 40.69 | -0.32 |
| 1 EURO | 55.42 | 0.23 |

| Commodity | Close \$ | |
|-----------|----------|--|
| Gold | 677.20 | |
| Silver | 12.49 | |
| Crude | 72.76 | |

| | Institution | Investment (Rs Cr) | |
|------|-------------|-----------------------|-----------|
| | 10/08/07 | 13/08/07 | Aug Total |
| FIIs | -408.10 | -520.20 | -2854.60 |
| MFs | -169.80 | 22.80 | 420.10 |

| US Listings | Close (\$) | Change (%) |
|-------------|------------|---------------|
| NYSE | | |
| Dr Reddy | 15.51 | -0.70 |
| HDFC Bank | 79.56 | -3.97 |
| ICICI Bank | 39.44 | -6.10 |
| MTNL | 6.65 | 0.30 |
| Patni | 19.90 | -1.24 |
| Satyam | 25.03 | -4.36 |
| Tata Motors | 16.51 | -2.60 |
| VSNL | 18.87 | -5.41 |
| WIPRO | 13.53 | -1.60 |
| NASDAQ | | |
| Infosys | 46.68 | -3.05 |

VIEW POINT: PICNIC TO TURN INTO PANIC

The markets are likely to take a 500-point plunge first this Thursday morning, before it decides on a further course of action. As investors react to two days of falling global markets, panic will set in early during the day. The Sensex had opened 426 points lower and fell further 104 points in the first minute of trade to register a 530 point fall on Friday last. It then began trekking up and finished with losses of just 232 points. The markets may not recover as much from the fall as it did on Friday and may go deeper before recovery sets in.

As we fear that the Sensex will fall 500 points in the first minute of trade, it would break the 14570 support into tiny pieces and throw it away. The next support of 14,407 also appears to be not goon enough and the markets may even test 14,000 mark. A strong support exists at 13946. Book profits, where ever exist. Cut losses clinically in the first 15 seconds and say your beads for the rest of the day. The fall may even trigger the circuit filters of the exchanges.

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At the street

We have held the view that the sub-prime issue, not big in it self, can cause tremendous damage, if held by heavily geared hands and that too financed with short-term debt. As one hedge fund collapses after another and stethoscope is being put at the chest of the likes of Alpha fund of Goldman Sachs, things can only become worse before they begin to become better.

The modern financial world runs on credit, so if fear rises to a level where fewer are willing to lend -- and fewer are brave enough to borrow -- the situation can get a lot worse before it starts improving.

It might get worse and we will see a torrent of foreclosures over next 12 to 24 months.

The turbulence in subprime mortgages has now spread to the commercial paper market, a \$2.2 trillion market in the USA that is the working capital lifeblood for the corporate sector.

Companies including Coventree, KKR Financial and Thornburg Mortgage have warned of problems in the commercial paper market in recent days. Such warnings are making analysts and investors nervous about other companies that use this source of funding, such as mortgage giant Countrywide Financial.

Banking stocks that have been the main stay for our markets in India are likely to head the plunge down and there are unlikely to be standing structures at the end of trading day.

Supports for the Sensex now are at 13946, 13554 and 12425.

Here is the two-minute drill every trader must take

- Cut longs in first 5 seconds of trade or put pre-market orders
- Buy puts if unable to square up longs
- Even if you have the margin money, sell futures and buy Calls for your positions.
- For the common investor, sit on 40% cash. If you don't have it, create it.



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After Markets hours

Apar Industries has received an order Worth Rs 130 Cr for supply of conductors to Adani Power Ltd.

IVR Prime Urban Developers Ltd (Scrip Code: 532881) to list on BSE & NSE Today.

Punj Lloyd Ltd has raised Rs 814 crore through a qualified institutional placement of 2.9 crore shares at Rs 275 each. Proceeds from the issue would be used to fund the acquisition of a 25.1 per cent stake in Pipavav Shipyard, investments in a real estate venture and for working capital and capital expenditure.

Texmaco board approves merger of 3 companies **Neora Hydro, Shree Export House** and **Evershine Merchants** with itself. Texmaco holds 50% equity in Neora Hydro. The merger ratio was approved at one equity share of Texmaco for every 65 shares of. Neora Hydro. The balance 50% equity shares will be cancelled. Shree Export House is a wholly owned subsidiary of the company dealing in investments. The entire share capital of Texmaco will be cancelled on merger. Evershine Merchants owns a prestigious property in Gurgaon, Haryana comprising 66,500 sq ft. The merger ratio was approved at one equity share of Texmaco for every 28 shares of Evershine Merchants.

During Market Hours

Jay Shree Tea to divest its bought leaf (tea) factory in Assam and infotech centre in West Bengal, as part of its restructuring plans.

Petron Engineering Construction has bagged an order worth Rs 127 Cr for Fired Heaters for HCU / DHDT for Bina Refinery Project developed by Bharat Oman Refineries Ltd (a Company promoted by Bharat Petroleum Corporation Ltd and Oman Oil Company Ltd).

Pratibha Industries has secured a contract Worth Rs 138 Cr from Indore Development Authority (IDA), Indore.

Solar Explosives got an order worth Rs 112 crore from state-run Coal India Ltd for supply of bulk explosives.

Sterlite Optical has bagged an Rs 38-crore order from Bharat Sanchar Nigam Ltd (BSNL) for manufacturing and supplying optic cables.

Sunil Hitech Engineers has bagged a project worth Rs 111.75 crore From JSW Steel.



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Today's Board meeting

| Date | Company Name | Purpose |
|------------|-----------------------------------|---|
| 16/08/2007 | Almondz Global Securities Ltd. | Audited Results & Dividend |
| 16/08/2007 | Eastern Treads Ltd. | Audited Results & Others |
| 16/08/2007 | Ikab Securities & Investment Ltd. | Audited Results |
| 16/08/2007 | Industrial Investment Trust Ltd. | Audited Results, Dividend & Qtr Results |
| 16/08/2007 | Oasis Securities Ltd. | Audited Results |
| 16/08/2007 | Padam Cotton Yarns Ltd. | Audited Results |
| 16/08/2007 | Polychem Ltd. | Audited Results & Quarterly Results |
| 16/08/2007 | Sadbhav Engineering Ltd. | Audited Results & Dividend |
| 16/08/2007 | SR Oils and Fats Ltd. | Audited Results |
| 16/08/2007 | Swan Mills Ltd. | Audited Results |
| 16/08/2007 | V B Desai Financial Services Ltd. | Audited Results |
| 16/08/2007 | Weizmann Ltd. | Audited Results & Dividend |



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Today's Corporate Actions

| Scrip Code | Company Name | Ex-Date | Purpose | Div (Rs.) |
|------------|---------------------|------------|------------------------------|-----------|
| 532683 | AIA Engg | 16/08/2007 | Dividend | 3.50 |
| 590049 | Apollo Sindhoori | 16/08/2007 | Dividend | 1.00 |
| 532507 | BAG Films | 16/08/2007 | Dividend | 0.20 |
| 500019 | Bank of Rajasth. | 16/08/2007 | Dividend & Bonus issue (1:4) | 2.00 |
| 532290 | BLB | 16/08/2007 | Dividend | 0.10 |
| 532781 | Blue Bird (I) | 16/08/2007 | Dividend | 1.20 |
| 532678 | Bombay Ryn Fash | 16/08/2007 | Dividend | 1.25 |
| 532173 | Cybertech System | 16/08/2007 | Dividend | 1.00 |
| 521220 | Damodar Threads | 16/08/2007 | Dividend | 1.20 |
| 526881 | Financial Tech. | 16/08/2007 | Interim Dividend | 1.00 |
| 517264 | Fine Line Circui | 16/08/2007 | Dividend | 0.50 |
| 532155 | GAIL (India) | 16/08/2007 | Dividend | 2.00 |
| 505255 | GMM Pfaudler | 16/08/2007 | Dividend | 0.60 |
| 532457 | Gulshan Polyols | 16/08/2007 | Dividend | 0.75 |
| 524184 | Gulshan Sugars | 16/08/2007 | Dividend | 1.20 |
| 532873 | HDIL | 16/08/2007 | Dividend | 2.00 |
| 532133 | IFGL Refractor | 16/08/2007 | Dividend | 1.75 |
| 517370 | Incap | 16/08/2007 | Dividend | 1.00 |
| 500201 | India Glycols | 16/08/2007 | Dividend | 3.00 |
| 500207 | Indo Rama Synth. | 16/08/2007 | Dividend | 1.00 |
| 501311 | Jayabharat Cred. | 16/08/2007 | Dividend | 0.80 |
| 513691 | JMT Auto | 16/08/2007 | Dividend | 1.00 |
| 519421 | KSE | 16/08/2007 | Dividend | 1.00 |
| 502958 | Lakshmi Mills | 16/08/2007 | Dividend | 12.00 |
| 513605 | Lanco Inds. | 16/08/2007 | Dividend | 1.00 |
| 513683 | Neyveli Lignite | 16/08/2007 | Dividend | 1.20 |
| 532837 | Orbit Corporatio | 16/08/2007 | Interim Dividend | 1.50 |
| 521123 | Pearl Global | 16/08/2007 | Dividend | 2.00 |
| 506618 | Punjab Chemicals | 16/08/2007 | Dividend | 2.50 |
| 526510 | Shakti Met-dor | 16/08/2007 | Dividend | 3.00 |
| 523236 | Shrenuj & Co. | 16/08/2007 | Dividend | 0.80 |
| 505397 | Techno Electric | 16/08/2007 | Dividend | 0.50 |
| 590005 | Tide Water Oil | 16/08/2007 | Dividend | 15.00 |



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Bulk deals on BSE

| Date | Scrip Name | Name of Client | Buy/Sell | Quantity | Price | % Equity |
|--------|------------------|----------------------------------|----------|----------|--------|----------|
| 14-Aug | ALEMBIC | FIDELITY EQUITY FUND | BUY | 2277688 | 74.00 | 1.65 |
| 14-Aug | ALEMBIC | HSBC FIN SERV MIDDLEEAST | SELL | 957725 | 74.00 | 0.69 |
| 14-Aug | ALEMBIC | MACQUARIE BANK LIMITED | SELL | 2082500 | 74.00 | 1.50 |
| 14-Aug | ALFA TRANSFORMER | RELIGARE SECURITES LTD CATERPI | BUY | 28778 | 68.75 | 0.61 |
| 14-Aug | DREDGING CORP. | MACQUARIE BANK LIMITED | SELL | 349130 | 530.00 | 1.25 |
| 14-Aug | DREDGING CORP. | RELIANCE CAPITAL LONG TERM | BUY | 807182 | 530.00 | 2.88 |
| 14-Aug | DREDGING CORP. | MERRILL LYNCH CAPITAL MARKET | SELL | 397000 | 530.03 | 1.42 |
| 14-Aug | ELPRO INTL. | GOEL FINTRADE PRIVATE LIMITED | BUY | 27979 | 217.88 | 0.79 |
| 14-Aug | EPIC ENZYMES PH | IDBI LTD | SELL | 50000 | 5.44 | 0.58 |
| 14-Aug | IKF TECHNOLOG. | LOTUS GLOBAL INV ACCOUNT GDR | SELL | 4000000 | 7.07 | 1.68 |
| 14-Aug | KIRL. ELECTRIC | LIFE INSURANCE CORPORATION | SELL | 300000 | 218.00 | 0.96 |
| 14-Aug | HOUSE OF PEARL | MORGAN STANLEY AND CO | BUY | 500000 | 255.00 | 2.56 |
| 14-Aug | HOUSE OF PEARL | MORGAN STANLEY AND CO MAU | BUY | 483653 | 255.00 | 2.48 |
| 14-Aug | HOUSE OF PEARL | FIDELITY INVESTMENT MAURITIUS | SELL | 986963 | 255.04 | 5.06 |
| 14-Aug | PRAJ INDS. | MORGAN STANLEY AND CO MAU | BUY | 509000 | 193.01 | 0.30 |
| 14-Aug | PROTO INFRA | EDELWEISS ESTATES PVT LIMITED | SELL | 354713 | 3.53 | 0.75 |
| 14-Aug | SUJANA METAL PRD | JM FINANCIAL SMALL & MIDCAP FUND | SELL | 308593 | 35.56 | 0.59 |
| 14-Aug | TRENT | RELIANCE MUTUAL FUND | BUY | 252800 | 680.93 | 1.34 |
| 14-Aug | UTV SOFTWARE | MACQUIRE BANK LIMITED | SELL | 832766 | 472.50 | 3.64 |
| 14-Aug | UTV SOFTWARE | SONATA INVESTMENTS LTD | BUY | 832000 | 472.50 | 3.63 |
| 14-Aug | VISU INTL | EDELWEISS ESTATES P. LTD. | BUY | 250120 | 14.38 | 0.71 |
| 14-Aug | VISU INTL | EDELWEISS ESTATES P. LTD. | SELL | 203587 | 14.39 | 0.58 |

Bulk deals on NSE

| Date | Scrip Name | Name of Client | Buy/Sell | Quantity | Price | % Equity |
|--------|------------------|-------------------------------|----------|----------|--------|----------|
| 14-Aug | DONEAR INDS. | MAVI INVESTMENT FUND LIMITED | BUY | 300000 | 190.50 | 0.58 |
| 14-Aug | PRAJAY ENGG. | CITIGROUP GLOBAL MARKETS | BUY | 544000 | 301.00 | 2.43 |
| 14-Aug | PRAJAY ENGG. | CLSA MERCHANT BANKERS LIMITED | SELL | 543066 | 301.00 | 2.43 |
| 14-Aug | PRAJ INDS. | MORGAN STANLEY DEAN WITTER | BUY | 943000 | 193.27 | 0.56 |
| 14-Aug | PRATIBHA INDS | GOLDMAN SACHS INVESTMENTS | BUY | 72389 | 266.76 | 0.51 |
| 14-Aug | SHAH ALLOYS | UBS SECURITIES ASIA LIMITED | SELL | 225000 | 70.01 | 1.14 |
| 14-Aug | SHARYANS RESOURC | DALMIA CEMENT (BHARAT) LTD. | BUY | 81000 | 230.86 | 0.58 |
| 14-Aug | SSI | GLOBE CAPITAL MARKET LTD | BUY | 354454 | 197.19 | 0.61 |
| 14-Aug | TRENT | RELIANCE MUTUAL FUND | BUY | 247200 | 680.87 | 1.31 |

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Derivative Summary

Nifty lost 3 points or 0.08% and closed at 4370.20 Nifty Future closed at a 4346.70, a discount of 27 points.

Open interest increased by Rs 7,63 Cr or 0.9% at Rs 85,375 Cr. Open interest in number of shares went up by 1.2% from 183.09 Cr to 185.34 Cr shares. Open interest in futures, calls and puts changed by 0%, 2% and 2% respectively in value terms and 1%, 4% and 6% respectively in number of shares

IV of Nifty 4,400 Call & 4,300 Put was 22.4% & 34.6% respectively. Previous day IVS were 24.8 & 33.2% respectively for options.

OI in Nifty futures calls & puts changed by -1%, 2% and 2% respectively. Nifty **4,400** Call added 4,625 contracts in OI. Nifty **4,300** Put added 7,244 contracts in OI.

Put /Call Ratio (OI)

| | 14/08/07 | 13/0807 |
|---------|----------|---------|
| Overall | 0.31 | 0.31 |
| Nifty | 1.29 | 1.29 |

Put /Call Ratio (Volume)

| | 14/08/07 | 13/0807 |
|---------|----------|---------|
| Overall | 0.84 | 0.93 |
| Nifty | 1.11 | 1.16 |

Turnover Details

| Particular | 14/08/07 | 13/0807 |
|---------------|----------|----------|
| Index Futures | 8192.3 | 10896.78 |
| Stock Futures | 15941.92 | 15727.28 |
| Index Options | 3219.88 | 3912.16 |
| Stock Options | 1139.88 | 1091.42 |
| Total | 28493.98 | 31627.64 |

Security in ban period for Aug 16, 2007

The derivative contracts in the underlying **NAGARJUNA FERT** & **OMAXE** have crossed 95% of the market-wide position limit and are currently in the ban period.



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Forthcoming Corporate Action

| Company Name | Ex-Date | Purpose | Div (Rs.) |
|-----------------|------------|-------------------|-----------|
| AIA Eng | 16/08/2007 | Dividend | 2.00 |
| FINANCIAL TECH | 16/08/2007 | Dividend | 1.00 |
| GAIL | 16/08/2007 | Dividend | 2.00 |
| HPCL | 17/08/2007 | Dividend | 12.00 |
| Bongaigaon | 21/08/2007 | Dividend | 3.50 |
| EKC | 21/08/2007 | Stock Split(2:10) | |
| Maruti | 22/08/2007 | Dividend | 4.50 |
| Jaiprakash asso | 23/08/2007 | Dividend | 1.60 |
| Satyam | 23/08/2007 | Dividend | 2.50 |
| Chennai Petro | 24/08/2007 | Dividend | 12.00 |
| BHEL | 30/08/2007 | Dividend | 6.00 |
| Unitech | 30/08/2007 | Bonus(1:1) | |

FII Activity on 14 - AUG

| | Buy | | | Sell | | Open | Interest |
|---------------|-----------|--------------|-----------|--------------|---------|-----------|--------------|
| | Contracts | Value(Rs Cr) | Contracts | Value(Rs Cr) | NET(Rs) | Contracts | Values (Cr.) |
| Index Futures | 44541 | 966.72 | 32057 | 698.64 | 268.08 | 764169 | 16637.63 |
| Index Options | 17611 | 370.45 | 10508 | 227.48 | 142.97 | 641919 | 14026.57 |
| Stock Futures | 9867 | 294.74 | 10637 | 356.97 | -62.23 | 970640 | 28535.39 |
| Stock Options | 5 | 0.14 | 184 | 5.45 | -5.31 | 7920 | 212.71 |
| | | | | | 343.51 | | |

FII OI

| Date | Index Future | Index Option | Stock Future | Stock Option |
|--------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| 14-Aug | 764169 | 641919 | 970640 | 7920 |
| 13-Aug | 762919 | 629950 | 971776 | 7741 |

Cumulative FII positions as a percentage of total gross market position in the derivative segment, as on Aug 13, 2007 is 35.04%.



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SECTOR WATCH:

| | % Cg in futures | % Cg in | | % Cg in futures | % Cg in |
|-----------------|-----------------|---------|-------------|-----------------|---------|
| | OI | Price | | OI | Price |
| Banking/Finance | | | | | |
| BANKINDIA | 10 | 3.82 | METAL | | |
| CANBK | 5 | -0.64 | JINDALSTEL | -6 | 2.02 |
| IFCI | 8 | -0.83 | | | |
| INDUSINDBK | 5 | 3.57 | OIL&GAS | | |
| IOB | 11 | -1.35 | BONGAIREFN | 44 | 5.45 |
| KOTAKBANK | 23 | -1.28 | IOC | 7 | -0.10 |
| CONS/INFRA | | | PHARMA | | |
| ANSALINFRA | -5 | 1.98 | UNIPHOS | 17 | -3.18 |
| GMRINFRA | 13 | -2.92 | 0.112, 1.10 | | |
| UNITECH | -5 | 1.56 | POWER | | |
| | - | | NTPC | 13 | 2.83 |
| ENGINEERING | | | | | |
| BEML | 9 | -2.11 | SUGAR | | |
| CROMPGREAV | -7 | 2.87 | TRIVENI | 6 | 3.80 |
| CUMMINSIND | -6 | 1.76 | | | |
| | | | TELECOM | | |
| FERTILIZERS | | | STROPTICAL | -8 | 4.36 |
| CHAMBLFERT | 12 | 6.52 | | | |
| NAGARFERT | -22 | 6.47 | OTHERS | | |
| | | | EDUCOMP | -8 | -2.32 |
| FMCG | | | INDHOTEL | 5 | -3.18 |
| MCDOWELL-N | 5 | -1.08 | | | |
| TITAN | -5 | 1.84 | | | |

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Top Gainers & Losers Open Interest Wise

Top Gainers

| Company | Future (%) | Price (%) | 14-Aug | 13-Aug | COC Chg. | OI Rs. Cr. |
|------------|------------|-----------|--------|--------|----------|------------|
| BONGAIREFN | 44 | 5 | -120 | -154 | 34 | 34 |
| KOTAKBANK | 23 | -1 | 15 | 14 | 1 | 187 |
| UNIPHOS | 17 | -3 | 13 | 5 | 8 | 5 |
| CHENNPETRO | 13 | -2 | -87 | -77 | -9 | 30 |
| NTPC | 13 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 305 |

Top Losers

| Company | Future (%) | Price (%) | 14-Aug | 13-Aug | COC Chg. | OI Rs. Cr. |
|------------|------------|-----------|--------|--------|----------|------------|
| NAGARFERT | -22 | 6 | 0 | 12 | -12 | 139 |
| EDUCOMP | -8 | -2 | -3 | -4 | 1 | 82 |
| STROPTICAL | -8 | 4 | -5 | 6 | -11 | 49 |
| CROMPGREAV | -7 | 3 | 11 | 14 | -3 | 25 |
| JINDALSTEL | -6 | 2 | -8 | 7 | -15 | 75 |

Top Gainers & Losers Price Wise

Top Gainers

| Company | Future (%) | Price (%) | 14-Aug | 13-Aug | COC Chg. | OI Rs. Cr. |
|------------|------------|-----------|--------|--------|----------|------------|
| CHAMBLFERT | 12 | 7 | 10 | 19 | -10 | 47 |
| NAGARFERT | -22 | 6 | 0 | 12 | -12 | 139 |
| BONGAIREFN | 44 | 5 | -120 | -154 | 34 | 34 |
| HDIL | 4 | 5 | 5 | 3 | 3 | 517 |
| STROPTICAL | -8 | 4 | -5 | 6 | -11 | 49 |

Top Losers

| Company | Future (%) | Price (%) | 14-Aug | 13-Aug | COC Chg. | OI Rs. Cr. |
|------------|------------|-----------|--------|--------|----------|------------|
| INDHOTEL | 5 | -3 | 14 | 8 | 7 | 174 |
| UNIPHOS | 17 | -3 | 13 | 5 | 8 | 5 |
| GMRINFRA | 13 | -3 | 13 | 11 | 2 | 967 |
| BINDALAGRO | -1 | -3 | 19 | 15 | 5 | 76 |
| ALOKTEXT | 0 | -3 | 5 | 3 | 2 | 51 |



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Across the Atlantic

Aug 14, 2007

The **Dow Jones Industrial Average** tumbled 207.61 points, or 1.57%, to 13,028.92. As for the other major averages, the **S&P 500** fell 26.38 points, or 1.82%, to 1426.54. The **Nasdaq Composite** shed 43.12 points, or 1.7%, to 2499.12.

Wal-Mart said that excluding items, it had second-quarter earnings of 76 cents a share, matching the Thomson First Call estimate, but the world's biggest retailer guided lower for the third quarter and full year.

Meanwhile, Home Depot also warned of ongoing troubles in the housing market, though it backed its full-year outlook. For the second quarter, Home Depot had a profit of \$1.59 billion, or 81 cents a share, down 15% from a year ago. On an adjusted basis, the home improvement retailer beat estimates by a nickel.

The stock dropped \$1.72 to \$33.52.

Wal-Mart and Home Depot reported on the same day that investors were treated to mixed inflation data. The Labor Department's producer price index for July rose 0.6% last month, doubling expectations. However, the so-called core number, which excludes food and energy, rose 0.1%, and was half of what was anticipated.

Stocks took a further hit after Illinois-based **Sentinel Management Group** asked regulators for permission to stop redemptions to money-market fund investors. The Commodity Futures Trading Commission said it was aware of the situation and would continue to monitor it.

Elsewhere in the financial space, **Thornburg Mortgage**, which saw shares plunge 46% after it said it won't accept new rate lock requests for four days. Earlier, five brokerage firms downgraded the stock, saying the company may be forced to sell assets to meet margin calls

Switzerland's **UBS** dropped 4.8% after warning that earnings for the second half of 2007 would fall from year-ago levels because of the recent market conditions. The bank, however, did post a 79% jump in second-quarter earnings, topping estimates. UBS shed \$2.60 to \$51.49

Aug 15, 2007

The selling of U.S. stocks accelerated ahead of the closing bell Wednesday, leading the Dow to close below the 13,000 level for the first time since the end of April amid sustained concerns about troubled credit markets.

Subprime mortgage problems have spread across so much of the credit market that they've begun to cause disruptions in the **commercial paper market**, which provides a lot of the short-term fuel that keeps corporate America running.

After recovering from an early swoon to rise by as many as 90 points, the **Dow** gave back all of those gains and more, surrendering 167.45 points, or 1.29%, to 12,861.47. The index last closed below the 13,000 mark on April 24.

Elsewhere, the **S&P 500** lost 19.84 points, or 1.39%, at 1406.70, and now is in negative territory for the year. The **Nasdaq Composite** slid 40.29 points, or 1.61%, to 2458.83.

Some of the ugliest action took place in **Countrywide**, where fears about its health sent the stock down 13% to close at \$21.29. Merrill Lynch downgraded the shares all the way to sell from buy, citing the lack of liquidity in the mortgage market.



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The news about **Countrywide's** commercial paper issue was another debacle for the credit market. This just serves as a reminder that, with the country's largest mortgage originator in trouble, equities traders are pondering just how far this will reach.

Similarly, **KKR Financial Holdings** tanked 31.1% to \$10.52 after the Kohlberg Kravis Roberts affiliate said trouble in the residential mortgage and commercial paper markets is forcing it to hold talks with investors in some of its asset-backed facilities regarding possible options for resolving potential funding issues.

Thornburg Mortgage was dropped to sell at Citigroup and A.G. Edwards, but it still had a 38.8% advance a day after sinking more than 40%.

Companies including **Coventree**, **KKR Financial** and **Thornburg Mortgage** have warned of problems in the commercial paper market in recent days. Such warnings are making analysts and investors nervous about other companies that use this source of funding, such as mortgage giant Countrywide Financial.

The turbulence in subprime mortgages has now spread to the commercial paper market -- a \$2.2 trillion market in the USA that is the working capital lifeblood for the corporate sector. This is looking worse than just another credit cycle.

Meanwhile, the economic docket was fairly crowded. The **Labor Department's consumer price index** climbed 0.1% for July and the core index, which excludes food and energy prices, rose 0.2%. Both figures were in line with estimates.

The closely monitored **core inflation** figure is now up 2.2% over the past 12 months, unchanged from June.

The data came a day after the producer price index, which rose a greater-than-expected 0.6% in July. The **core PPI** was up 0.1% and was below estimates. The PPI report measures inflation at the wholesale level.

Oil prices were higher for a third straight session. The front-month September crude contract jumped 95 cents to close at **\$73.33** a barrel, bolstered by a storm in the Gulf of Mexico and another system swirling in the Atlantic Ocean.



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Support-Resistance Levels - August 16, 2007

Markets are likely to open significantly lower and stocks may not find support at their near term levels. In general market sell of, some stocks will fall much more than the overall markets. Stocks may find buying support beyond 5% of its last close.



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