

TSX Today: What to Watch for in Stocks on Friday, December 30

Description

<u>Canadian stocks</u> made a comeback on Thursday to begin a year-end rally, as commodity prices also bounced back. The **S&P/TSX Composite Index** inched up by 202 points, or 1%, from its previous closing to settle at 19,486.

Besides gains in commodity-linked stocks, yesterday's sharp market recovery was mainly led by renewed buying in the healthcare, technology, real estate, and financial <u>sectors</u>. With this, the TSX benchmark now trades with 5.6% quarter-to-date gains but is still down by 8.2% on a year-to-date basis.

Top TSX movers and active stocks

Lightspeed Commerce (TSX:LSPD) popped by 12.2% to \$ 19.46 per share, making it the topperforming TSX Composite component for the day. While there was no apparent company-specific news, a tech sector-wide intraday rally and investors' hopes that <u>high-growth stocks</u> could witness a recovery in 2023 could be the main reason leading to renewed buying in LSPD stock yesterday. Despite these sharp gains, however, Lightspeed continues to be among the worst-performing <u>tech</u> <u>stocks</u> of 2022, with its 62% year-to-date losses.

Other tech stocks like **Shopify**, **Dye & Durham**, and **Nuvei** were also among the top performers on the Toronto Stock Exchange in the last session, as they inched up by more than 5% each.

On the flip side, **MAG Silver** and **Uni-Select** slipped by at least 2% each, making them the worstperforming Canadian stocks for the day.

Based on their daily trade volume, **TC Energy**, **Bank of Nova Scotia**, **Toronto-Dominion Bank**, and **Barrick Gold** were the most active stocks on the exchange.

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Early Friday morning, commodity prices across the board were trading on a slightly bullish note, pointing to a higher open for the resource-heavy TSX index today.

While no economic releases are due, stocks could continue to extend the year-end rally on the last trading session of 2022, as investors remain focused on evaluating their portfolios and adjusting their holdings before 2023.

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