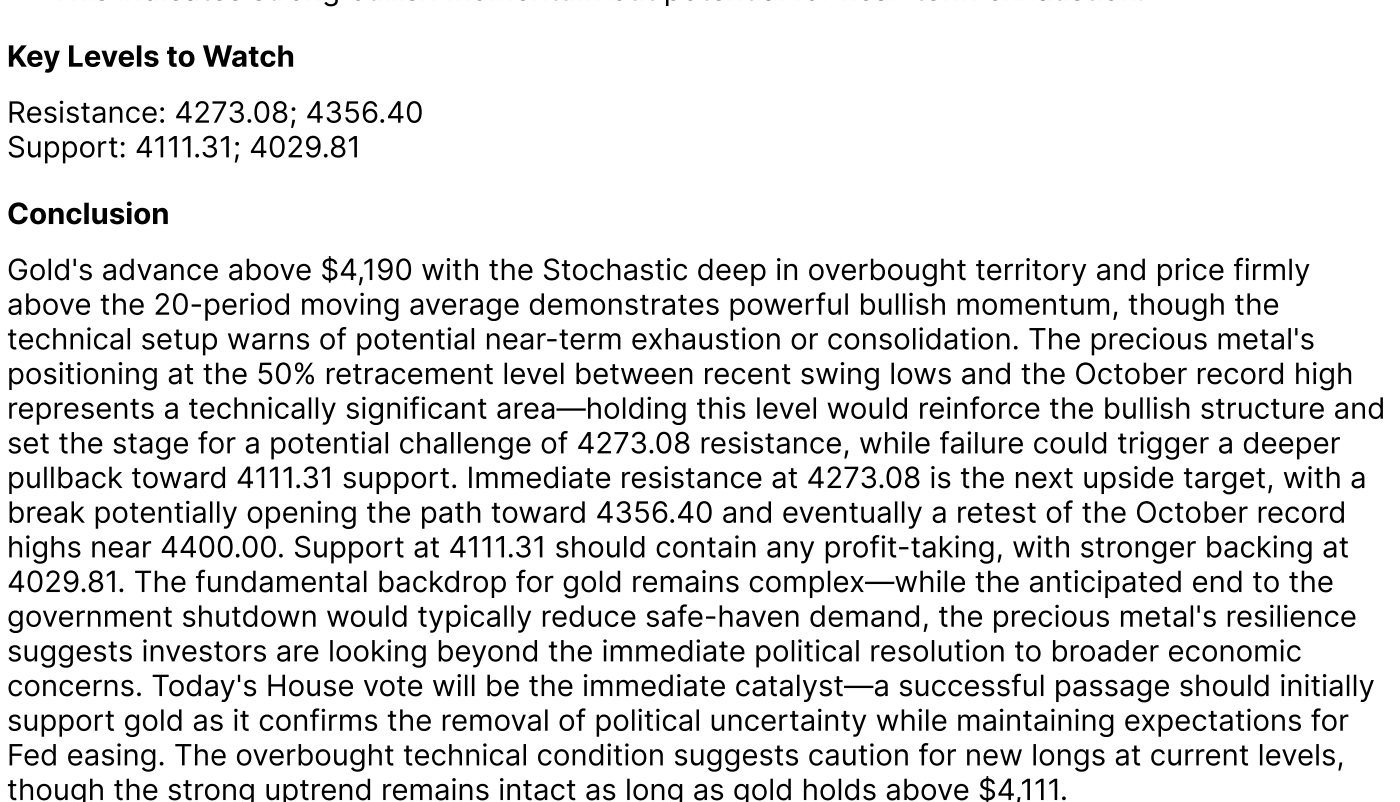


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The Pound Sterling remains pressured below the 1.3200 handle, testing the 1.3100 level as Cable traders find limited justification to support Sterling despite widespread US Dollar weakness across the broader market. The pair's inability to capitalize on Dollar softness highlights growing concerns about the UK economic outlook as recent data has consistently missed expectations. UK Gross Domestic Product growth figures due for release Thursday are not expected to buck the disappointing trend, with market participants bracing for potentially weak readings that could

timement in US equities has not translated into meaningful support for the Pound, with Cable remaining pressured below 1.3200. The pair's technical positioning around the 20-period moving average suggests indecision, with bulls and bears locked in a battle for control after the recent back from higher levels. The anticipated resumption of US official data releases following a



48,000 with a 326.86-point gain to reach 48,254.82. The index also hit a fresh all-time intraday high during the session, driven by powerful performance from financial sector leaders. Goldman Sachs, JPMorgan, and American Express all notched fresh records, joined by Morgan Stanley, Wells Fargo, and Bank of America in a broad-based rally for banking stocks. The Financial Select SPDR Fund climbed almost 1%, reflecting investor optimism about the anticipated government reopening and its positive implications for lending activity and economic growth. Other economically sensitive stocks like Caterpillar also gained, demonstrating confidence in the economic outlook once the 43-day shutdown ends. In stark contrast, the Nasdaq Composite dropped 0.26% to finish at 23,406.46, extending its monthly decline to approximately 1% as the artificial intelligence trade continued its string of volatility. Uneasy sentiment persists among investors that tech valuations could be stretched after the sector's recent surge. While Advanced Micro Devices shares popped 9%, other AI-related names like Oracle and Palantir Technologies moved lower, reflecting selective profit-taking and rotation out of high-value growth stocks. This rotation from growth to value has characterized the market's recent behaviour, with healthcare becoming the top-performing sector driven by advances in Eli Lilly and Johnson & Johnson as investors moved into parts of the market with lower valuations. House Majority Leader Steve Scalise indicated Wednesday that he expects the chamber to vote on the spending bill around 7 p.m. ET Thursday. A successful vote would end the longest government shutdown in US history and trigger the resumption of official economic data releases. The anticipated resumption of official datasets promises significant volatility in coming weeks as key inflation and labour metrics get published out-of-cycle. This messy process of catching up on delayed datasets could either reinforce or challenge current Fed policy expectations, introducing two-way risk for equity markets.

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USO/USD moved lower on Wednesday, reaching below previous support levels. Currently trading at 58.39.

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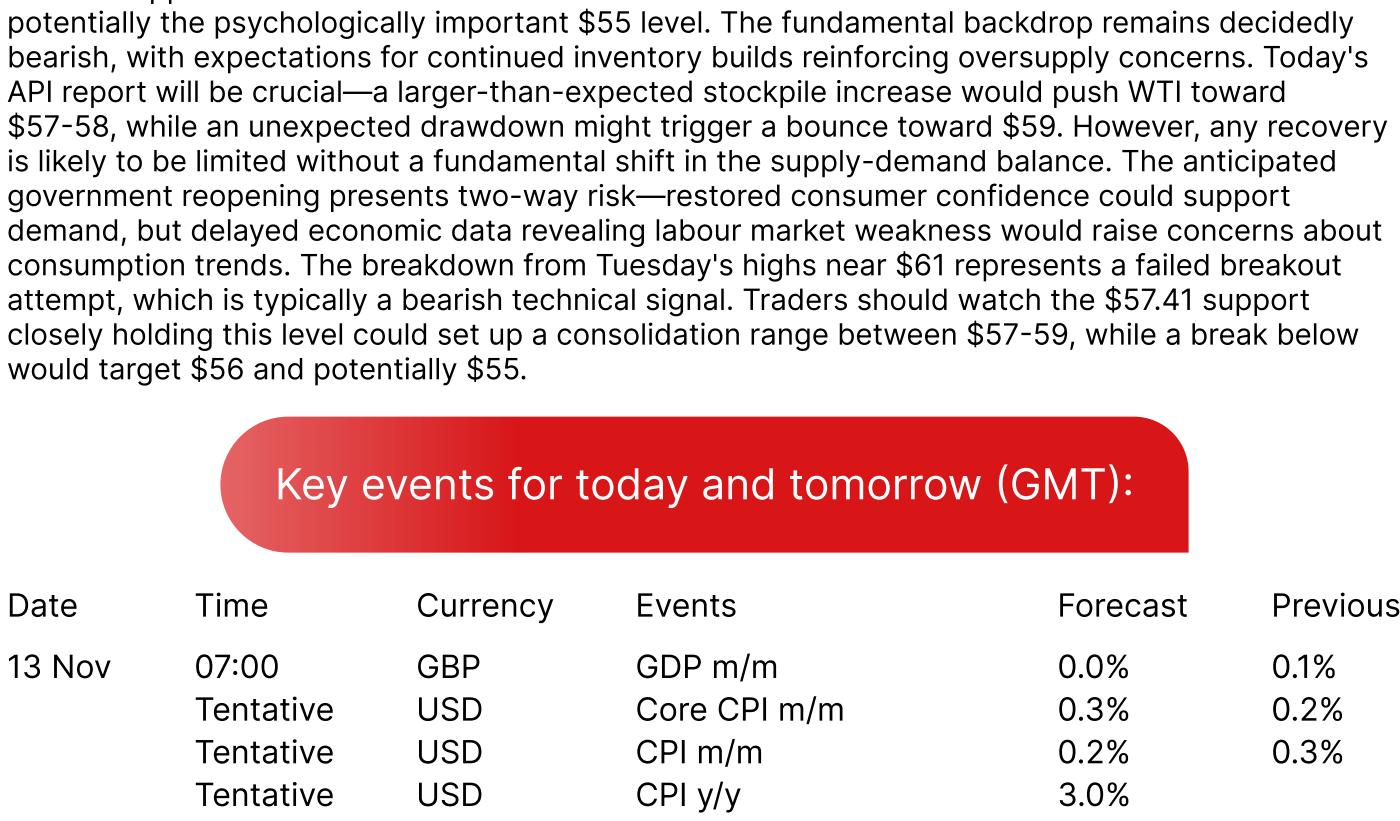
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over from equity markets. Energy traders are particularly focused on inventory dynamics, with expectations for continued builds in US crude oil stocks weighing on prices. The API's weekly inventory report will provide crucial insight into supply-demand balance, with a larger-than-expected increase likely to reinforce bearish sentiment and potentially push WTI toward the \$57-58



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