



Monday, April 7, 2025

**1. Asian and European stock markets fell sharply this morning.**

**The latest:** A sell-off triggered by President Donald Trump's tariffs is continuing. Trump officials spent the weekend urging people not to panic. Meanwhile, Trump was golfing.

**The backlash:** The charge against tariffs is being led by a Republican senator. Other lawmakers are worried — and this ominous quote from a White House official didn't help.

**2. Tens of thousands of people protested against Trump this weekend.**

**What to know:** Crowds gathered in cities from Boston to Los Angeles. Meanwhile, Democrats are launching a new "war room" to fight Trump's agenda.

**In other Trump news:** The Social Security site keeps crashing as Elon Musk's DOGE cuts staff. And the National Park Service is rewriting the history of the Underground Railroad.

**3. A second child died of measles as an outbreak continues to spread in Texas.**

**The details:** The 8-year-old girl was not vaccinated, a hospital spokesman said yesterday. Since January, Texas has reported more than 480 measles cases.

**What else to know:** Health Secretary Robert F. Kennedy Jr., a vaccine skeptic, met with the girl's family. He has suggested vitamin A can treat measles — some kids are overdosing.

**In other health news:** A breakthrough in cancer therapy is being delayed by NIH layoffs.

**4. Israel's military systematically destroyed homes on the Gaza border, a report found.**

**The details:** Testimonies from Israeli troops published today revealed a methodical effort to destroy buildings and fields to create a buffer zone. It could violate international law.

**In the U.S.:** Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu is set to visit the White House today. The meeting comes as Israel is expanding its military operations in Gaza.

**5. At least 18 people were killed in relentless storms in the Mid-South.**

**This weekend:** Days of torrential rain and wind hit states from Arkansas to Kentucky. Most deaths were in western Tennessee, where some towns were left almost entirely underwater.

**What else to know:** The Federal Emergency Management Agency is canceling plans to award states grants to prepare against future disasters — and could ax disaster relief funding.

**6. Connecticut routed South Carolina in the women's basketball national title game.**

**What happened:** Paige Bueckers capped her college career with 17 points as the Huskies upset the defending champs for their 12th national championship under Coach Geno Auriemma.

**Tonight:** Coach Kelvin Sampson and Houston, which shocked Duke on Saturday, face the Florida Gators in San Antonio for the men's title. It airs at 8:50 p.m. Eastern on CBS.

**7. Alex Ovechkin broke Wayne Gretzky's NHL record for goals scored.**

**The big moment:** The Washington Capitals star scored his 895th career goal yesterday with his signature, unstoppable shot. He celebrated in New York with a joyful belly slide.

**The numbers:** Ovechkin, 39, broke the record — once thought untouchable — in his 1,487th regular season game. Gretzky, known as "the Great One," played exactly that many games.



Vocabulary 07/04/25:

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| 1. | levee -         | a wall made of soil built next to a river or the sea to prevent the water from overflowing        |
|    | to daunt -      | to make someone frightened or worried   |
|    | in lockstep -   | here: in complete agreement   |
| 2. | rally -         | public meeting of a large group of people   |
| 3. | measles -       | Masern  |
|    | resounding -    | here: complete  |
|    | to tout -       | to praise   |
| 5. | relentless -    | continuing in a determined way without interruption   |
|    | torrential -    | used to refer to very heavy rain  |
| 7. | Alex Ovechkin - | Russian ice hockey player, born 17 September 1985 in Moscow, then the capital of the Soviet Union |

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