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U.S. women's soccer team wins record 4th World Cup title

The U.S. women's soccer team beat the Netherlands 2-0 on Sunday in Lyon, France, to win their second straight Women's World Cup title, and their record fourth overall. [Megan Rapinoe and Rose Lavelle scored both U.S. goals in the second half.](#) Rapinoe put the U.S. on the board with a penalty kick 61 minutes into the game, and Lavelle scored an insurance goal with a run up the center eight minutes later. "It's surreal," said Rapinoe, the U.S. co-captain. "I don't know how to feel. It's ridiculous." Rapinoe sat out the semifinal victory against England after scoring two goals in each of the team's preceding two games. She was named the outstanding player of the tournament. [*The New York Times*]

DOJ changes lawyers in push for census citizenship question

The Justice Department is [changing the legal team fighting to add a citizenship question](#) to the 2020 Census. The Trump administration resumed its effort to include the question last week shortly after ordering the printing of the forms without the question. *The Washington Post* reported that the change of lawyers could indicate career attorneys' legal or ethical concerns over President Trump's effort to find a way to ask about citizenship in the census despite a Supreme Court decision barring the question as proposed by the Trump administration. Some analysts say the administration's ongoing push for the change is on increasingly questionable legal ground. [*The Washington Post*]

Iran raises uranium enrichment level as threatened

Iran has followed through on its vow to raise its uranium enrichment level above the cap set in the 2015 nuclear deal between Tehran and world powers, an official from Iran's Atomic Energy Organization said Monday. Tehran had announced it was making the move Sunday because it said European signatories had not delivered on the sanctions relief Iran was supposed to get in exchange for curbing its nuclear program. President Trump, who withdrew the U.S. from the nuclear deal last year and reimposed sanctions, warned Sunday that "Iran better be careful." Under the nuclear accord, Iran is barred from enriching uranium beyond the 3.67 percent level, which is suitable for nuclear energy fuel but far below what is needed for making nuclear weapons. [*The Washington Post, NPR*]

Deutsche Bank to cut 18,000 jobs by 2022

Deutsche Bank announced Sunday that it planned to cut 18,000 jobs by 2022, about a fifth of its work force. The German bank said the reorganization would include reduced operations in New York and London, with investment banking taking a hard hit. The company is struggling to come back from a series of scandals and management mistakes that have derailed its effort to rival U.S. megabanks such as JP Morgan Chase and Goldman Sachs. Chief executive Christian Sewing telegraphed the move at a May shareholder meeting, when he said, "I can assure you: We're prepared to make tough cutbacks." In a statement Sunday, Sewing said: "We are returning to our roots and to what once made us one of the leading banks in the world." [*The New York Times, BBC News*]

Greece elects conservative government

Greek opposition leader Kyriakos Mitsotakis will be sworn in as prime minister Monday after his conservative New Democracy party won Sunday's snap election, soundly beating Prime Minister Alexis Tsipras' leftist Syriza party. With more than 90 percent of votes counted, New Democracy had nearly 40 percent of the vote to Syriza's 31.5 percent, putting Mitsotakis on track for a parliamentary majority. Mitsotakis pledged to lower taxes and increase investment. Tsipras won office in 2015 at the height of Greece's financial meltdown, and although his government steered Greece back to financial stability, he agreed to a third European Union bailout with unpopular austerity measures. Far-right Golden Dawn, the third-largest party during Greece's financial crisis, failed to win any seats on Sunday. [*Reuters, The Associated Press*]

Tempe police union 'encouraged' by Starbucks apology for officers' treatment

The Tempe Officers Association said Sunday that it was "encouraged" by Starbucks' apology for a Fourth of July incident in which police officers were asked to leave an Arizona Starbucks. The officers were asked to leave because a customer didn't feel safe with them there. The police union said it anticipated "a welcome dialogue" with the coffee chain. "We would like to thank the public for the overwhelming support shown to our officers in the aftermath of this unfortunate incident," Sgt. Rob Ferraro, president of the Tempe Officers

Association, said on Sunday. "We are encouraged that Starbucks has reached out to our organization and to the Tempe Police Department to apologize and to further express their support of law enforcement." [\[Fox News\]](#)

UNESCO adds 8 Frank Lloyd Wright buildings to World Heritage List

UNESCO announced Sunday that eight of architect Frank Lloyd Wright's buildings had been added to the UNESCO World Heritage List. The designation gives Wright's buildings the same status as 1,000 sites that include such iconic landmarks as Machu Picchu in Peru, the Pyramids of Giza in Egypt, and the Statue of Liberty. The Wright buildings included on the list are Fallingwater in Pennsylvania, the Guggenheim Museum in New York, the Hollyhock House in Los Angeles, the Jacobs House in Wisconsin, the Robie House in Chicago, Taliesin in Wisconsin, Taliesin West in Arizona, and the Unity Temple in Illinois. Wright wanted to "open us up to a better, different, freer way to live," said Stuart Graff, president and CEO of the Frank Lloyd Wright Foundation. "And we still feel that today." [\[NPR\]](#)

Mississippi closes all state beaches due to toxic algae bloom

Mississippi authorities have barred swimming at all 21 of the state's beaches due to a [blue-green harmful algal bloom](#), according to the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality. The state says visitors can still use the sand portion of the beaches, but should avoid going into the water "until further notice." Harmful algal blooms occur when algae colonies grow out of control "and produce toxic or harmful effects on people" or wildlife, according to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. Toxic algae can cause symptoms from rashes to stomach cramps to vomiting. NOAA says the blooms are occurring more frequently because of climate change and nutrient pollution. [\[CNN\]](#)

Spider-Man: Far From Home leads July Fourth weekend box office

Spider-Man: Far From Home dominated the domestic box office over the long Fourth of July weekend. *Far From Home*, the first Marvel movie since the blockbuster *Avengers: Endgame*, brought in an estimated \$185.1 million from its Tuesday opening through the weekend, with \$93.6 million of the total coming from Friday to Sunday. The latest film in the *Spider-Man* franchise now has a global total of \$580 million over 10 days. Disney's Marvel Studios and Sony Pictures teamed up on the film after partnering in the last two *Spider-Man* films, 2017's *Spider-Man: Homecoming*, which had a \$117 million Friday-to-Sunday haul in its domestic debut, and last year's animated spin-off *Spider-Man: Into the Spider-Verse*. Strong interest in *Toy Story 4* and other holdovers like *Yesterday* and *Annabelle Comes Home* gave theaters a lift as ticket sales lag behind last year's by 8.4 percent. [\[The Associated Press\]](#)

Actor Cameron Boyce dies at 20

Disney channel star [Cameron Boyce died over the weekend](#), his family confirmed Sunday. He was 20. Boyce's family said the young actor, who appeared in Adam Sandler films,

"passed away in his sleep due to a seizure which was a result of an ongoing medical condition for which he was being treated. The world is now undoubtedly without one of its brightest lights, but his spirit will live on through the kindness and compassion of all who knew and loved him." Boyce started acting before age 10. His first recurring role came 11 years ago on *General Hospital: Night Shift*. He later became a presence on the Disney Channel, where he played Carlos in the *Descendants* franchise, and Luke Ross on *Jessie*, a sitcom. He also appeared in the *Grown Ups* films as the son of Sandler's character. [[The Washington Post](#)]

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