

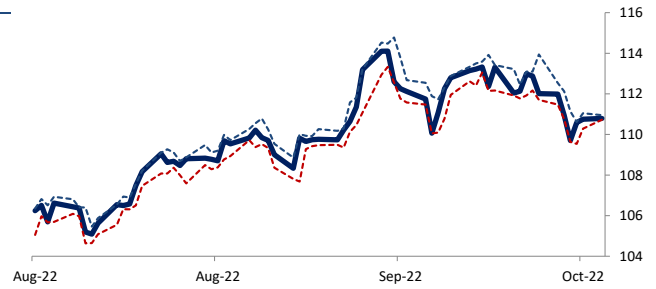
Kuwaiti Dinar Today

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Key Market Highlights:

- The greenback remains pinned near 20-year highs while Treasury yields are trading near their highest levels since the 2008 financial crisis. Data last week revealed the US personal consumption expenditures (PCE) price index rose 0.3% last month after a similar gain in August. Annually, the PCE price index increased 6.2%, matching August's rise. Excluding volatile food and energy components, the core PCE price index climbed 0.5% after increasing by the same margin in August. On an annual basis, the core PCE climbed 5.1% in September after increasing 4.9% in August.
- The focus this week will be on the Federal Reserve, which is broadly expected to raise interest rates by 75 basis points – its fourth hike of this size this year. However moving forward, traders are betting the Fed will soften its pace of hikes. Data last week did reveal that the US economy performed better than expected despite elevated interest rates. Nevertheless, inflation at a 40-year high is expected to keep economic activity subdued in the coming months.
- Meanwhile, oil prices fell after weaker-than-expected Chinese data renewed fears over slowing crude demand following a resurgence in local Covid-19 cases. Data revealed China's manufacturing PMI unexpectedly shrank in October alongside overall activity. However, expectations of tightening supply by OPEC in the coming months helped limit losses and will likely keep crude markets tight for the remainder of the year. Brent crude lost 1.5% so far today to trade at around \$95 after touching an October high of \$98.75.

US Dollar Index
3-Month Performance



Brent Crude
3-Month Performance

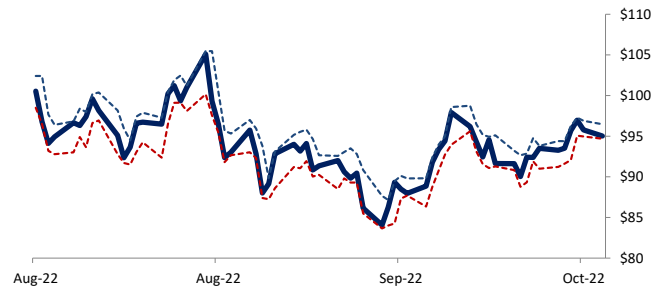


Chart Points and Other Technical Input

CCY	2nd Support	1st Support	Spot	1st Resistance	2nd Resistance
EUR	0.9840	0.9910	0.9960	1.0020	1.0100
GBP	1.1485	1.1550	1.1600	1.1655	1.1720
JPY	146.80	147.30	147.90	148.40	149.00
CHF	0.9835	0.9897	0.9964	1.0025	1.0075

Major Currencies

CCY	Closing Rate	YTD %	Major Crosses	CCY	Closing Rate	YTD %
EUR/USD	0.9963	(2.48)	EUR/GBP	0.8577	2.14	
GBP/USD	1.1610	(4.28)	GBP/JPY	171.27	10.39	
USD/JPY	147.4500	28.47	EUR/JPY	146.93	12.87	
USD/CHF	0.9961	3.31	EUR/CHF	0.9925	(4.33)	

Brief Technical Commentary

EUR/USD: The pair opened the week at 0.9946 and currently trading at 0.9960. EURUSD remains to hover around parity and fails to close above it. The pair will remain in a consolidation from 0.9910 to 1.0020.

GBP/USD: The markets have high hopes for Sunak's government to have a better economic policy. The pair opened at 1.1605 and currently trading at 1.1600. We have our support at 1.1550 and we expect the pair to continue higher towards our resistance at 1.1655-1.1720.

Local & Global Rates

CCY	O/N	1-Month	3-Month	6-Month	1-Year
KWD	2.63	2.81	3.25	3.63	3.94
USD	3.04	3.74	4.09	4.43	4.65
EUR	0.95	1.21	1.64	2.03	2.57
GBP	2.19	2.80	3.23	3.75	4.32

Economic Events

Date	Country	Event	Actual	Forecast	Previous
28-Oct-22	JPY	Monetary Policy Statement			
01-Nov-22	AUD	Cash Rate		2.85%	2.6%
01-Nov-22	USD	ISM Manufacturing PMI		50	50.9
01-Nov-22	USD	JOLTS Job Openings		9.75M	10.05M
02-Nov-22	NZD	Unemployment Rate		3.2%	3.3%
02-Nov-22	USD	FOMC Statement			
02-Nov-22	USD	Federal Funds Rate		4.00%	3.25%
03-Nov-22	GBP	Monetary Policy Summary			
03-Nov-22	GBP	Official Bank Rate		3.00%	3.25%
04-Nov-22	USD	Unemployment Rate		3.6%	3.5%

Government Yields

Country	1-Year	2-Year	5-Year	10-Year	30-Year
United States	4.53	4.45	4.21	4.03	4.13
Germany	1.93	1.92	1.98	2.09	2.04
United Kingdom	2.91	3.15	3.54	3.49	3.54
Japan	-0.10	-0.05	0.07	0.24	1.41

Commodities

Index	Last Price	% Change	Global Indices	Index	Last Price	% Change
Kuwait Oil	96.03	(1.02)	Dow Jones	32,861.80	2.59	
Brent	95.01	0.02	Nikkei 225	27,538.12	1.60	
West Texas	87.30	0.11	S&P 500	3,901.06	2.46	
Gold	1,641.86	0.00	KuwaitSE	7,282.88	0.72	

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