

Highlights in the Foreign Exchange Market:

- UK's Prime Minister Theresa May announced on Friday in a strongly felt speech that she will resign on June 7th triggering a Conservative Party leadership contest which she said would start next week. May said that she has done her best to deliver Brexit and she has done everything she could. Her successor will need to find parliament consensus on Brexit, something May failed to do repeatedly, in order to close the case. The cable drifted higher after May's speech as the market adjusted to the news and weighed in the possible future scenarios for the dramatic Brexit situation.
- The Eurozone composite PMI edged 0.1 higher to 51.6 in May, narrowly missing consensus of 51.7. But optimism fell, attributed to fears of a weakening economy and geopolitical risks, with an escalation in trade tensions and difficulties in the auto sector commonly cited as specific concerns, according to the survey provider. Taking a deeper look into the PMI readings, the manufacturing sector meltdown continued aggressively with new orders contracting for the 8th consecutive month. The reading for manufacturing PMI remains well below 50 at 47.7.
- Oil prices climbed more than 1% on Friday ahead of long U.S. and UK holiday weekends, but posted the biggest weekly drop of the year, pressured by rising inventories and worries about the global economy. Brent crude rose 1%, to settle at \$68.69 a barrel, but the global benchmark marked a weekly decline of about 4.5%. US West Texas Intermediate rose 1.2%, to end at \$58.63 a barrel. It also saw a weekly decline of about 6.4%, its steepest since December.

Chart Points and Other Technical Input

CCY	2nd Support	1st Support	Spot	1st Resistance	2nd Resistance
EUR	1.1010	1.1105	1.1202	1.1305	1.1405
GBP	1.2515	1.2605	1.2712	1.2815	1.2920
JPY	107.30	108.25	109.29	111.30	112.30
CHF	0.9815	0.9915	1.0016	1.0120	1.0215

Brief Technical Commentary

EUR/USD: The pair moved down to the 1.1106 level during Thursday's trading session and closed for the week at 1.1202 EUR/USD Resistance is at (1.1265-1.1305) any break above would take the pair up to 1.1405. Short term outlook is Bullish.

GBP/USD: The pair moved down to the 1.2604 level during Thursday's trading session and closed for the week at 1.2712 GBP/USD Resistance is at (1.2770-1.2815) any break above would take the pair up to 1.2920. Short term outlook is Bullish.

Economic Events

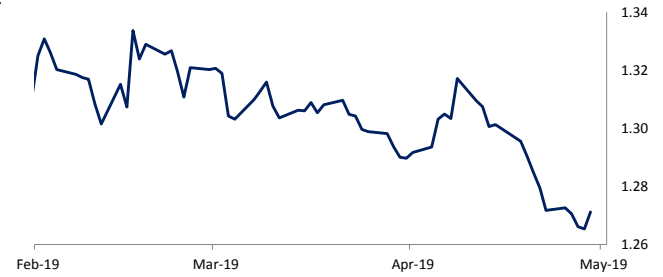
Date	Country	Event	Actual	Forecast	Previous
26-May-19	EUR	European Parliamentary Elections			
26-May-19	JPY	BOJ Gov Kuroda Speaks			
28-May-19	USD	CB Consumer Confidence		130.1	129.2
29-May-19	CAD	Bank of Canada Meeting			
30-May-19	USD	Preliminary GDP q/q		3.1%	3.2%
31-May-19	USD	Treasury Currency Report			
31-May-19	CNY	Manufacturing PMI	49.9		50.1
31-May-19	EUR	German Preliminary CPI	0.3%		1.0%
31-May-19	USD	Core PCE Price Ir m/m		0.2%	0.0%
31-May-19	CAD	GDP m/m			-0.1%

All information has been sourced from Reuters.

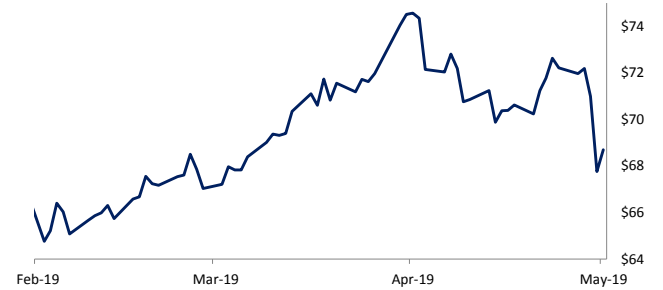
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GBP/USD 3-Month Performance



Brent Crude 3-Month Performance



Major Currencies

CCY	Closing Rate	YTD %	CCY	Closing Rate	YTD %
EUR/USD	1.1202	(2.33)	EUR/GBP	0.8815	(1.89)
GBP/USD	1.2712	(0.36)	GBP/JPY	138.91	(0.81)
USD/JPY	109.2900	(0.88)	EUR/JPY	122.45	(2.99)
USD/CHF	1.0016	2.06	EUR/CHF	1.1223	(0.28)

Major Crosses

Local & Global Rates

CCY	1-Week	1-Month	3-Month	6-Month	1-Year
KWD	2.13	2.44	2.69	2.88	3.13
USD	2.40	2.43	2.52	2.55	2.62
EUR	-0.45	-0.42	-0.36	-0.32	-0.22
GBP	0.70	0.73	0.80	0.89	1.02
CHF	-0.82	-0.79	-0.71	-0.66	-0.52
AUD	1.40	1.40	1.30	1.40	1.45

Government Yields

Country	1-Year	2-Year	5-Year	10-Year	30-Year
United States	2.32	2.17	2.12	2.32	2.75
Germany	-0.60	-0.65	-0.52	-0.12	0.53
United Kingdom	0.67	0.62	0.70	0.95	1.52
Japan	-0.18	-0.17	-0.19	-0.09	0.49

Commodities

Index	Last Price	% Change	Index	Last Price	% Change
Kuwait Oil	67.94	0.24	Dow Jones	25,585.69	0.37
Brent	68.69	1.03	Nikkei 225	21,117.22	(0.36)
West Texas	58.63	1.20	S&P 500	2,826.06	0.14
Gold	1,284.65	0.12	KuwaitSE	5,569.76	(0.46)

Global Indices