

Key Market Highlights:

- Last week we saw the US dollar rebound back from the 1-month lows after a disappointing jobs report. The dollar index gained as much as 0.90% on a weekly basis before closing the week at 92.582. The gains in the US 10-year treasury yield supported the currency as yields reached 1.3834% which is the highest since mid-July as investor digested the tapering possibilities and the possible implications on the market. On that note, current probabilities for a hike by the Fed in December 2022 remain around 80% which has been the market's expectation for some time now. The FOMC will be meeting next week and markets will be looking for clues on the next steps and potential timeline for any monetary actions to be taken by the Fed.
- The monthly US Producers Price Index (PPI), which tracks the change in price for finished goods and services provided by producers, came in at 0.7% versus the expected 0.6%. Disruptions in the supply chain have pushed production costs higher. Additionally, the yearly producer price index has increased around 8.3% year-to-date. There have been various challenges with shortage and increase of materials costs, a rising of labor expenses, and shipping bottlenecks. The core PPI, which tracks change prices of finished goods and services by excludes food and energy prices, revealed similar figures as it came at 0.6% versus an expected change of 0.5%.
- Last week, the single currency has initially declined ahead of the highly anticipated European Central Bank (ECB) meeting. Following the ECB meeting, the Euro managed to gain around 0.15% and recover from the lows of 1.1800 as Christine Lagarde's balanced statement negated any negative reactions from the market.

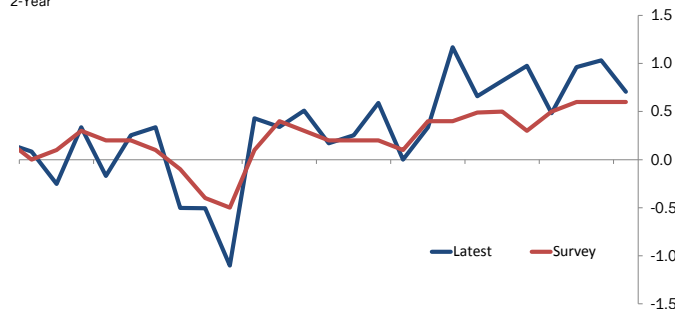


Chart Points and Other Technical Input

CCY	2nd Support	1st Support	Spot	1st Resistance	2nd Resistance
EUR	1.1700	1.1750	1.1814	1.1850	1.1910
GBP	1.3700	1.3750	1.3840	1.3890	1.3940
JPY	107.75	108.40	109.93	110.80	111.20
CHF	0.9080	0.9100	0.9176	0.9260	0.9280

Major Currencies

CCY	Closing Rate	YTD %
EUR/USD	1.1814	-3.29
GBP/USD	1.3839	1.24
USD/JPY	109.94	-6.09
USD/CHF	0.9176	-3.53

Major Crosses

CCY	Closing Rate	YTD %
EUR/GBP	0.8538	-1.47
GBP/JPY	152.18	-7.69
EUR/JPY	129.89	-2.86
EUR/CHF	1.0844	0.30

Brief Technical Commentary

EUR / USD: EUR rose after a volatile sell of USD and settled at 1.1800, a support level which couldn't be broken for 3 days. A range between 1.800 to 1.1850 will be expected and the resistance above 1.1850 should be 1.1880.

GBP/USD: Cable is forming a lower trend and a resistance of 1.3890 was tested several times which confirm a lower trend. Beyond 1.39 figures, next resistance should be 1.3850. Support levels are clear at 1.3750 and 1.3725.

Local & Global Rates

CCY	1-Week	1-Month	3-Month	6-Month	1-Year
KWD	0.00	1.25	1.50	1.75	2.00
USD	0.15	0.19	0.33	0.53	0.85
EUR	-0.16	-0.10	-0.03	0.03	0.14
GBP	0.48	0.50	0.58	0.74	1.04
CHF	1.04	1.05	1.17	1.38	1.78
AUD	2.78	2.86	2.95	3.05	3.33

Economic Events

Date	Country	Event	Actual	Forecast	Previous
10-Sep-21	US	PPI m/m	0.7%	0.6%	1.0%
12-Sep-21	JP	PPI y/y		5.7%	5.6%
13-Sep-21	AUS	RBA Gov Lowe Speaks			
14-Sep-21	US	CPI m/m		0.4%	0.5%
14-Sep-21	US	Core CPI m/m		0.3%	0.3%
15-Sep-21	UK	CPI y/y		2.9%	2.0%
15-Sep-21	AUS	Employment Change		-80.0K	2.2K
15-Sep-21	AUS	Unemployment Rate		4.9%	4.6%
16-Sep-21	US	Core Retail Sales m/m		-0.8%	-1.1%
17-Sep-21	US	UoM Consumer Sentiment		71.9	70.3

Government Yields

Country	2-Year	3-Year	5-Year	10-Year	30-Year
United States	0.21	0.44	0.82	1.34	1.93
Germany	-0.71	-0.74	-0.64	-0.33	0.15
United Kingdom	0.23	0.30	0.42	0.76	1.08
Japan	-0.13	-0.14	-0.11	0.04	0.65

Commodities

Index	Last Price	1D % Change	Index	Last Price	1D Change
Kuwait Oil	72.92	0.11	Dow Jones	34,607.72	-0.78
Brent	72.92	2.06	Nikkei 225	30,381.84	-1.25
West Texas	69.72	2.32	S&P 500	4,458.58	-0.77
Gold	1,787.58	-0.39	KuwaitSE	4,810.37	-1.35

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