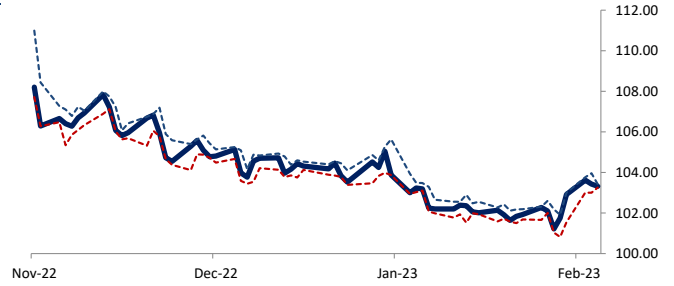


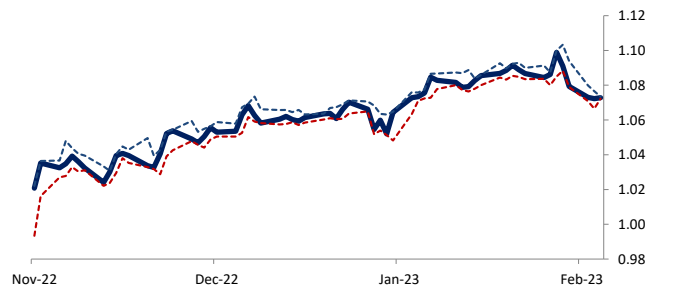
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US Dollar Index
3-Month Performance



EUR/USD
3-Month Performance



Key Market Highlights:

- Federal Reserve chair Jerome Powell spoke on Tuesday where he warned to brace for higher interest rates than anticipated if economic data comes in hot. Powell said that it will take time to bring inflation down to their 2% target and that "It's probably going to be bumpy." He added that market expectations of inflation going away "quickly and painlessly" is not his base case, rather "The base case for me is that...we'll have to do more rate increases, and then we'll have to look around and see whether we've done enough." He added that the Fed remain adamant in reacting to data, commenting on the labor market he said. "If we continue to get, for example, strong labor market reports or higher inflation reports, it may well be the case that we have to do more and raise rates more than has been priced in." Despite this, Powell did acknowledge that he expects inflation to slow down this year. Equities rallied after Jerome Powell's comments were seen as less hawkish than expected, the Dow Jones gained 0.78%, while the S&P 500 and the Nasdaq soared 1.29% and 1.90% respectively. The US Dollar Index (DXY) is signifying a restrained performance as the hawkish interest rate guidance from Federal Reserve Chair Jerome Powell on Tuesday failed to improve the safe-haven appeal. Meanwhile, The EUR continued to drop against the Dollar despite Jerome Powell's comments causing it to initially bounce. The pair traded as high as 1.0766 before moving lower at one point trading at 1.0665. The currency pair settled around the 1.0723 mark in a volatile trading session.
- Over in Canada, Governor Tiff Macklem said the Bank of Canada needs to keep interest rates stable to avoid slowing the economy too much, defending his decision to pause hikes in a statement that was released earlier. Governor Macklem believes that it can take 18 to 24 months to see the full effects of higher borrowing costs, following recent data that leads to believe that inflation is coming down towards its preferred 2% target. According to Macklem, "[the Bank of Canada] shouldn't keep raising rates until inflation is back to 2%, we need to pause rate hikes before we slow the economy and inflation too much, and that is what we are doing now". The central bank's benchmark rate has risen from 0.25% to 4.5% since last March.

Chart Points and Other Technical Input

CCY	2nd Support	1st Support	Spot	1st Resistance	2nd Resistance
EUR	1.0630	1.0690	1.0730	1.0790	1.0835
GBP	1.1940	1.2000	1.2050	1.2095	1.2160
JPY	129.90	130.60	131.15	131.70	132.30
CHF	0.9105	0.9170	0.9215	0.9270	0.9320

Brief Technical Commentary

EUR/USD: During yesterday's trading session the EUR tested the support around (1.0690) and moved up towards (1.0765), currently trading at (1.0730). Support is at (1.0690) a breakout below the support will take us lower. Resistance is at (1.0790-1.0835).

GBP/USD: The cable continued to drop towards (1.1958) then moved up towards (1.2095). A breakout above (1.2095) will take us higher towards (1.2160). The cable is currently trading at (1.2050) and support is set at (1.2000).

Economic Events

Date	Country	Event	Actual	Forecast	Previous
06-Feb-23	EUR	Retail Sales m/m	-2.7%	-2.4%	0.8%
07-Feb-23	AUD	RBA Rate Statement			
07-Feb-23	USD	Fed Chair Powell Speaks			
07-Feb-23	CAD	BOC Gov Macklem Speaks			
08-Feb-23	USD	FOMC Member Williams Speaks			
09-Feb-23	GBP	Monetary Policy Report Hearings			
09-Feb-23	USD	Unemployment Claims	191K	183K	
10-Feb-23	GBP	GDP m/m	-0.3%	0.1%	
10-Feb-23	CAD	Unemployment Rate	5.1%	5.0%	
10-Feb-23	USD	Prelim UoM Consumer Sentiment	65.0	64.9	

Major Currencies

CCY	Closing Rate	YTD %	CCY	Closing Rate	YTD %
EUR/USD	1.0723	0.26	EUR/GBP	0.8902	0.66
GBP/USD	1.2042	(0.39)	GBP/JPY	157.84	(0.38)
USD/JPY	131.0500	0.00	EUR/JPY	140.62	0.28
USD/CHF	0.9219	(0.28)	EUR/CHF	0.9888	(0.06)

Local & Global Rates

CCY	O/N	1-Month	3-Month	6-Month	1-Year
KWD	3.75	3.94	4.19	4.44	4.69
USD	4.55	4.57	4.72	4.93	5.03
EUR	2.15	2.33	2.57	3.01	3.40
GBP	3.93	3.93	4.05	4.20	4.27

Government Yields

Country	1-Year	2-Year	5-Year	10-Year	30-Year
United States	4.82	4.42	3.80	3.65	3.69
Germany	2.62	2.69	2.34	2.31	2.31
United Kingdom	3.49	3.44	3.17	3.28	3.72
Japan	-0.09	-0.04	0.18	0.48	1.53

Commodities

Index	Last Price	% Change	Index	Last Price	% Change
Kuwait Oil	82.89	1.12	Dow Jones	34,156.69	0.78
Brent	83.68	(0.04)	Nikkei 225	27,568.76	(0.42)
West Texas	77.29	0.16	S&P 500	4,164.00	1.29
Gold	1,876.45	(0.06)	KuwaitSE	7,400.54	(0.02)

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