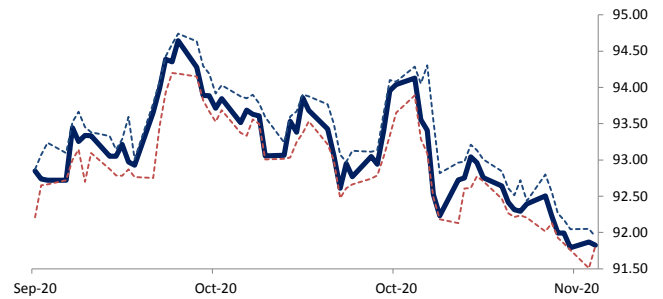


Highlights in the Foreign Exchange Market:

- The US dollar's downward momentum remained intact today after having shed 2.15% of its value in November against a basket of currencies. Expectations for a fiscal stimulus support with vaccine optimism caused investors to strongly short US dollars, shift towards riskier currencies and higher yielding assets outside the United States. Investors' net short US dollar positioning jumped to the highest level since late October, according to calculations by Reuters and US Commodity Futures Trading Commission data released on Friday. The position hit \$24.31 billion in the week ended November 24, up from \$21.83 billion in the previous period.
- Looking at currencies, risk-sensitive AUD and NZD recuperated some of yesterday's losses; both appreciating by around 0.25% in today's trading session. The EUR/USD is up 0.24% but is 44 basis points lower than Monday's high, while the GBP/USD pair held on to gains made as traders cling to hopes for a Brexit trade deal before the year's end. Despite intensifying new Covid-19 cases globally, the dollar hasn't found ground, as assumption grows that the Fed could act to support the economy through a tough winter before vaccinations can turn the tide on the pandemic.
- In the commodities complex, oil prices slipped yesterday after OPEC+ delayed talks on their 2021 output policy that could extend production cuts as the coronavirus pandemic continues to diminish fuel demand. Talks were delayed until Thursday sources said, as key players were still in disagreement on how much oil they should pump amid weak demand. Brent crude was down 0.86% from today's open price after dropping more than 1% on Monday. Still, oil prices surged around 27% in November, the biggest monthly gains since March after COVID-19 vaccine developments raised hopes of an economic recovery that could boost fuel demand.

US Dollar Index
3-Month Performance



Brent Crude
3-Month Performance

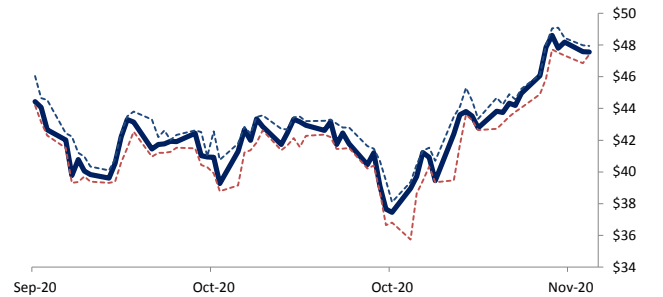


Chart Points and Other Technical Input

CCY	2nd Support	1st Support	Spot	1st Resistance	2nd Resistance
EUR	1.1855	1.1910	1.1956	1.2010	1.2060
GBP	1.3265	1.3310	1.3363	1.3415	1.3465
JPY	103.35	103.85	104.37	104.90	105.40
CHF	0.8970	0.9015	0.9069	0.9120	0.9175

Major Currencies

CCY	Closing Rate	YTD %	CCY	Closing Rate	YTD %
EUR/USD	1.1928	6.85	EUR/GBP	0.8952	5.81
GBP/USD	1.3321	0.79	GBP/JPY	138.92	(2.30)
USD/JPY	104.2700	(4.12)	EUR/JPY	124.39	2.33
USD/CHF	0.9090	(6.30)	EUR/CHF	1.0836	(0.05)

Major Crosses

Brief Technical Commentary

EUR/USD: The pair moved up to the 1.2003 level during Monday's trading session and currently trading at 1.1956. EUR/USD Resistance levels are at (1.2060-1.2080) any break above would take the pair up to 1.2175. Short term outlook is Bullish.

GBP/USD: The pair moved up to the 1.3384 level during Monday's trading session and currently trading at 1.3363. GBP/USD Resistance levels are at (1.3415-1.3465) any break above would take the pair up to 1.3540. Short term outlook is Bullish.

Local & Global Rates

CCY	1-Week	1-Month	3-Month	6-Month	1-Year
KWD	0.94	1.19	1.44	1.69	2.00
USD	0.10	0.15	0.23	0.26	0.33
EUR	-0.57	-0.58	-0.55	-0.52	-0.48
GBP	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.06	0.13
CHF	-0.83	-0.84	-0.78	-0.73	-0.61
AUD	-0.14	-0.07	-0.30	0.05	0.15

Economic Events

Date	Country	Event	Actual	Forecast	Previous
30-Nov-20	CNY	Manufacturing PMI	52.1	51.6	51.4
30-Nov-20	ALL	OPEC Meetings			
1-Dec-20	AUD	Cash Rate	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
1-Dec-20	GBP	Final Manufacturing PMI		55.2	55.2
1-Dec-20	CAD	GDP m/m			1.2%
1-Dec-20	USD	Fed Chair Powell Testifies			
1-Dec-20	USD	ISM Manufacturing PMI		57.7	59.3
2-Dec-20	AUD	GDP q/q		2.4%	-7.0%
3-Dec-20	USD	ISM Services PMI		56.0	56.6
4-Dec-20	USD	Non-Farm Employment Change		500K	638K

Government Yields

Country	1-Year	2-Year	5-Year	10-Year	30-Year
United States	0.10	0.15	0.36	0.84	1.57
Germany	-0.71	-0.75	-0.76	-0.57	-0.17
United Kingdom	-0.07	-0.04	0.00	0.31	0.85
Japan	-0.13	-0.14	-0.12	0.01	0.64

Commodities

Index	Last Price	% Change	Index	Last Price	% Change
Kuwait Oil	45.98	(0.28)	Dow Jones	29,638.64	(0.91)
Brent	47.59	(0.59)	Nikkei 225	26,755.57	1.22
West Texas	45.04	(0.30)	S&P 500	3,621.63	(0.46)
Gold	1,787.69	0.80	KuwaitSE	5,459.49	(1.14)

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