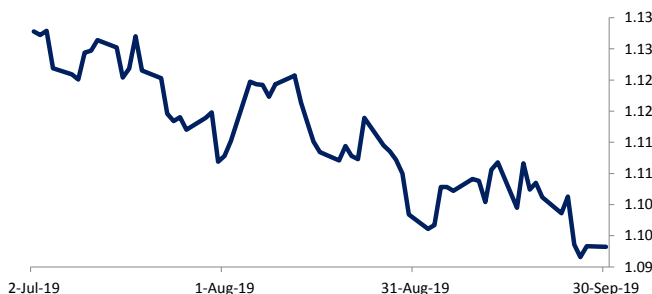


Highlights in the Foreign Exchange Market:

- The Eurozone economy now faces a much more “prolonged sag” than was expected just a few months ago according to ECB president Mario Draghi. The PMI (purchasing managers’ index) fell to a six-year low of 50.4 in September, down from 51.9 in August and lower than expectations. The figure offers a closer look into private sector activity, and suggests the risk of a recession may be greater. The euro fell against the US dollar, while bond yields declined and European stock markets fell following the release of the data. On his final appearance as ECB president, Mario Draghi mentioned that “geopolitical uncertainty” had stopped the bank from achieving its inflation target despite unemployment residing at its lowest level for a decade. Earlier this month we saw the ECB cite slowing economic growth and inflation to justify its decision to cut interest rates further into negative territory as well as restart its bond-buying program. The euro ended the week near its YTD low of 1.0903 at 1.0934.
- The US-China trade war has had a major effect on the Eurozone’s slowdown, most notably in Germany. The car industry in Germany has suffered a 12% drop in production and a 14% decline in exports. The PMI for German manufacturing fell from 43.5 in August to 41.4 in September, still in contraction and at its lowest level since 2009. In France, private sector economic activity grew more slowly than forecasted as its manufacturing sector took a hit by the drop in exports. The French manufacturing PMI dropped to 50.3, while the services sector fell to a four-month low of 51.6.

EUR/USD
3-Month Performance



Germany's Manufacturing PMI
YTD Performance

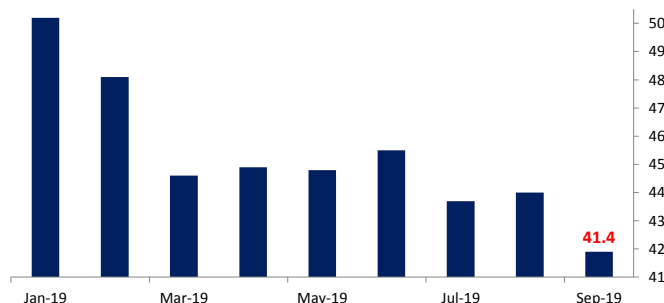


Chart Points and Other Technical Input

CCY	2nd Support	1st Support	Spot	1st Resistance	2nd Resistance
EUR	1.0835	1.0885	1.0935	1.0985	1.1035
GBP	1.2190	1.2240	1.2291	1.2340	1.2390
JPY	106.85	107.35	107.88	108.40	108.90
CHF	0.9810	0.9860	0.9907	0.9965	1.0010

Major Currencies

CCY	Closing Rate	YTD %	CCY	Closing Rate	YTD %
EUR/USD	1.0938	(4.63)	EUR/GBP	0.8897	(1.01)
GBP/USD	1.2288	(3.60)	GBP/JPY	132.62	(5.34)
USD/JPY	107.9200	(2.24)	EUR/JPY	118.07	(6.58)
USD/CHF	0.9907	0.98	EUR/CHF	1.0842	(3.69)

Major Crosses

Brief Technical Commentary

EUR/USD: The pair moved down to the 1.0903 level during Friday's trading session and currently trading at 1.0935. EUR/USD Support is at (1.0835-1.0885) any break below would take the pair down to 1.0775. Short term outlook is Bearish.

GBP/USD: The pair moved down to the 1.2269 level during Friday's trading session and currently trading at 1.2291. GBP/USD Support is at (1.2190-1.2240) any break below would take the pair down to 1.2090. Short term outlook is Bearish.

Local & Global Rates

CCY	1-Week	1-Month	3-Month	6-Month	1-Year
KWD	2.31	2.63	2.81	3.06	3.25
USD	1.91	2.03	2.10	2.06	2.04
EUR	-0.55	-0.51	-0.44	-0.42	-0.36
GBP	0.69	0.71	0.76	0.83	0.89
CHF	-0.85	-0.80	-0.77	-0.71	-0.60
AUD	0.60	0.85	0.99	1.01	1.06

Economic Events

Date	Country	Event	Actual	Forecast	Previous
30-Sep-19	CNY	Caixin Manufacturing PMI	51.4	50.2	50.4
30-Sep-19	GBP	Current Account		-19.2B	-30.0B
30-Sep-19	GBP	Final GDP q/q		-0.2%	-0.2%
1-Oct-19	AUD	Cash Rate		0.75%	1.00%
1-Oct-19	EUR	CPI Flash Estimate y/y		1.0%	1.0%
1-Oct-19	USD	ISM Manufacturing PMI		50.4	49.1
2-Oct-19	USD	ADP Non-Farm Employment Change		140K	195K
3-Oct-19	USD	ISM Non-Manufacturing PMI		55.1	56.4
4-Oct-19	USD	Average Hourly Earnings m/m		0.3%	0.4%
4-Oct-19	USD	Non-Farm Employment Change		140K	130K

Government Yields

Country	1-Year	2-Year	5-Year	10-Year	30-Year
United States	1.76	1.63	1.56	1.68	2.13
Germany	-0.75	-0.77	-0.80	-0.59	-0.13
United Kingdom	0.45	0.37	0.29	0.49	0.96
Japan	-0.31	-0.33	-0.36	-0.23	0.34

Commodities

Index	Last Price	% Change	Index	Last Price	% Change
Kuwait Oil	63.16	0.33	Dow Jones	26,820.25	(0.26)
Brent	64.28	(0.19)	Nikkei 225	21,698.48	(0.82)
West Texas	58.09	(0.17)	S&P 500	2,961.79	(0.53)
Gold	1,493.33	(0.23)	KuwaitSE	5,696.10	(0.29)

Global Indices

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