

Economic data

Local Time	Country	Indicator Name	Period	Actual	est.	Prior
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Sunday, Jan 14, 2024

Market Update

▪ Dollar dips after soft US inflation data, Aussie, New Zealand dollars outperform.

The dollar index gave up earlier gains and higher beta currencies, including the New Zealand and Australian dollars, outperformed on Friday after U.S. producer prices unexpectedly fell in December, raising expectations of an early U.S. rate cut. The producer price index for final demand dipped 0.1% last month, after a decline in the cost of goods, while prices for services were unchanged, increasing the chances of lower inflation in the months ahead. Fed funds futures imply an 81% chance of a March rate cut, up from 73% on Thursday, according to the CME Group's. "Even though you wouldn't say overall that the macroeconomic picture is screaming at you that they need to cut that fast, the market seems to be excited about the prospect of cuts," said Steve Englander, Head, Global G10 FX Research and North America Macro Strategy, Standard Chartered Bank NY Branch. Traders maintained their view that March rate cuts are likely even after consumer price inflation data on Thursday came in above economists' expectations. Last week's jobs report for December also showed strong jobs growth, though underlying details of the report were mixed. The New Zealand and Australian currencies were among the best performers after Friday's data. The kiwi was last up 0.55% on the day at \$0.62660. The Aussie gained 0.47% to \$0.67165. The euro, which is among the most exposed regions to higher energy costs, recovered earlier losses to last be little changed on the day at \$1.09725. The dollar fell 0.48% against the Japanese yen to 144.58. Sterling edged higher, recovering earlier losses after data on Friday showed that Britain's economy grew slightly more than expected in November but remains at risk of a mild recession.

▪ Oil climbs 1% as tankers avoid Red Sea after strikes on Houthis.

Oil rose 1% on Friday as an increasing number of oil tankers diverted course from the Red Sea following overnight air and sea strikes by the U.S. and Britain on Houthi targets in Yemen after attacks on shipping by the Iran-backed group. Brent crude futures settled 1.1%, higher at \$78.29 a barrel. The session high was up over \$3 to more than \$80, its highest this year. U.S. West Texas Intermediate crude futures climbed 0.9%, to \$72.68, paring gains after touching a 2024 high of \$75.25. While the diversions were expected to push up the cost and time it take to transport oil, supplies have not yet been impacted, analysts and industry experts noted, easing some of the earlier gains in prices. For the week, Brent was down 0.5% and WTI 1.1% lower. Earlier in the week, sharp price cuts by top exporter Saudi Arabia and a surprise build in U.S. crude stockpiles spurred supply worries. The U.S. and UK strikes come in retaliation for Houthi attacks since October on commercial vessels in the Red Sea in a show of support for Palestinian militant group Hamas in its fight against Israel.

Major Currency	Today (Jan 12 2024)	Change % (Jan 11 2024)
EUR/USD	1.0943	-0.02
GBP/USD	1.2720	0.30
AUD/USD	0.6713	0.09
NZD/USD	0.6244	0.14
USD/CHF	0.8500	0.02
USD/JPY	144.6300	0.00
USD/CAD	1.34	-0.10
USD/NOK	10.3016	-0.02
USD/SEK	10.2539	-0.33
USD/CNY	7.1471	0.19

Major Currency	Today (Jan 12 2024)	Change % (Jan 11 2024)
EUR/SAR	4.1085	-0.02
GBP/SAR	4.7757	0.30
AUD/SAR	2.5204	0.09
NZD/SAR	2.3443	0.14
CHF/SAR	4.4171	0.02
JPY/SAR	0.0260	0.00
CAD/SAR	2.8096	-0.10
NOK/SAR	0.3645	-0.02
SEK/SAR	0.3662	-0.33
CNY/SAR	0.5253	0.19

SAR SAIBOR	Today (Jan 11 2024)	Change % (Jan 10 2024)
1 Months	5.8467	0.768
3 Months	6.2212	-0.140
6 Months	5.9922	-0.392

USD Term SOFR	Today (Jan 12 2024)	Change % (Jan 11 2024)
1 Months	5.3392	-0.084
3 Months	5.3293	-0.001
6 Months	5.1928	0.285

US Treasury	Today (Jan 12 2024)	Change % (Jan 11 2024)
5-Year	4.01	0.63
10-Year	4.05	1.08

SAMA	Current	Previous
Repo	6.00	5.75
Reverse Repo	5.50	5.25
3 Month T-Bills	5.53000	5.54000
6 Month T-Bills	5.54000	5.55000
1 Year T-Bills	5.55000	5.56000

Major Events Coming Up

Key events

Date	Country	Event
15-Jan	UK	House Price Rightmove MM
15-Jan	Euro Zone	Total Trade Balance SA
15-Jan	Euro Zone	Reserve Assets Total
16-Jan	UK	ILO Unemployment Rate
16-Jan	UK	HMRC Payrolls Change
17-Jan	UK	Core CPI YY
17-Jan	UK	CPI YY
17-Jan	Euro Zone	HICP Final MM
17-Jan	US	Import Prices YY
17-Jan	US	Retail Sales MM
17-Jan	US	Industrial Production MM
18-Jan	US	Housing Starts Number
18-Jan	US	Initial Jobless Clm
18-Jan	US	Philly Fed Business Indx
19-Jan	UK	Retail Sales MM
19-Jan	US	Existing Home Sales

Commodity	Today (Jan 12 2024)	Change % (Jan 11 2024)
OIL BRT (US\$/Barrel)	79	1.51
GOLD (US\$/Oz)	2,045	0.09
SILVER (US\$/Oz)	23	0.79

Market Index	Today (Jan 11 2024)	Change % (Jan 10 2024)
TASI	12,145	1.82
NOMU	24,694	0.21

Market Index	Today (Jan 12 2024)	Change % (Jan 11 2024)
Dow Jones	37,466	0.07
S&P 500	4,697	0.18
NASDAQ	14,524	0.15
FTSE 100	7,690	-0.43
NIKKEI 225	33,377	0.27

*1 Source: Reuters and Bloomberg

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