

Market Alert

Wednesday 10 September 2025

CURRENCIES	Spot	6mths
NZD/USD	0.5925	0.0035
NZD/AUD	0.9000	0.0032
NZD/JPY	87.360	-1.05
NZD/EUR	0.5061	-0.0022
NZD/GBP	0.4382	0.0026
NZD/CNH	4.2206	-0.0248
AUD/USD	0.6582	0.0014
AUD/EUR	0.5622	-0.0044
EUR/USD	1.1705	0.0117
USD/CNH	7.1233	-0.0829
GBP/USD	1.3516	-0.0002
EUR/GBP	0.8656	0.0087
INT RATES	NZ	Australia
OCR/Cash	3.00%	3.60%
90 day bills	2.99%	3.63%
2 year swap	2.86%	3.30%
10 year Govt	4.40%	4.38%

Fire!

Overnight the US Bureau of Labour Statistics (BLS) released its job revisions from March 2024 to March 2025, the figure showed jobs revised 911k lower. Although the number is large the market reaction was limited, which makes sense as the data are 6-18 months old. These figures are only preliminary and due for another revision/the final numbers in February 2026.

However, the release obviously made too good of political ammo to not get a comment from the Trump administration. The White House released the statement, "The BLS released the largest downward revision on record proving that Pres. Trump was right: Biden's economy was a disaster and the BLS is broken. ... Much like the BLS has failed the American people, so has Jerome "Too Late" Powell - who has officially

run out of excuses and must cut the rates now". JD Vance added, "It's difficult to overstate how useless BLS data has become."

Closer to home

NAB's Monthly Business Survey business conditions index rose by 2 points in August, going from 5 to 7, indicating Australia's business conditions are now sitting around the long-run average level. The upward move was driven by gains in employment and profitability, although trading conditions remained flat relative to July. The employment subcomponent of the index is sitting above its long-run average, while profitability and trading conditions are close to their long-run averages.

Australian business confidence, on the other hand, fell in August, going from an upwardly revised +8 in July, down to +4. The drop comes after four consecutive months of improving sentiment though and now leaves business confidence near its long-run average. Confidence was strongest in the construction, transport and utilities sectors, while the mining and wholesale sectors remained the weakest.

Also in Australia, the Westpac-Melbourne Institute Consumer Sentiment Index fell by 3.1% in September, going down from 98.5 to now sit at 95.4. The 'family finances vs. a year ago' and 'family finances, next 12 months' sub-indices rose to 86.3 and 106.6, respectively, while the 'economic outlook, next 12 months,' 'economic outlook, next 5 years,' and 'time to buy a major item' sub-indices

all fell to now sit at 92.2, 92.7, and 98.2, respectively. All this points to the fact that despite consumers are perhaps doing a little better compared to last year, expectations for the Australian economy remain uneasy.

New Zealand construction sales fell by 3.1% in the June quarter, down NZD720m compared to the March quarter to now sit at NZD22.3b. Manufacturing sales also fell over the June quarter to sit at NZD33.4b. The two industries had the largest decreases in sales out of the 14 industries measured by business financial data, which was the final input needed for Q2 GDP, coming out on Thursday next week. One bank has updated their forecast to now predict a 0.5% GDP contraction over the June quarter.

Market movements

Oil prices firmed overnight on further Middle East tensions and despite OPEC+ increasing production by 137k barrels per day from next month.

The USD index followed suit and is 35pips higher at 97.80 which has seen the NZD/USD and the AUD/USD pull back to 0.5925 and 0.6585 respectively, with the NZD/AUD sitting right at the 0.9000 level. However, after coming a long way in a matter of a week, US Treasury yields have bounced slightly, the 2-year is up 6bps to 3.55%, while the 10-year is up 4bps at 4.08%. This will likely see our local swaps curve open a touch higher this morning.



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Daily Rates

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FX	Spot	FECs (mid)				Spot Mid	
	Mid	1mth	3mths	6mths	12mths	NZD/...	AUD/...
NZ TWI	68.30					CAD	0.8208
NZD/USD	0.5925	0.0007	0.0018	0.0035	0.0057	CHF	0.4724
NZD/AUD	0.9000	0.0005	0.0016	0.0032	0.0062	CNY	4.2220
NZD/JPY	87.360	-0.22	-0.55	-1.05	-1.95	DKK	3.7773
NZD/EUR	0.5061	-0.0005	-0.0012	-0.0022	-0.0043	FJD	1.3124
NZD/GBP	0.4382	0.0004	0.0012	0.0026	0.0049	HKD	4.6123
						KRW	822.84
AU TWI	61.00					MYR	2.4888
AUD/USD	0.6582	0.0003	0.0009	0.0014	0.0016	NOK	5.9152
AUD/NZD	1.1110	-0.0007	-0.0022	-0.0042	-0.0093	SEK	5.5525
AUD/JPY	96.87	-0.30	-0.79	-1.52	-2.87	SGD	0.7599
AUD/EUR	0.5622	-0.0009	-0.0023	-0.0044	-0.0090	TWD	17.96
AUD/GBP	0.4867	0.0001	0.0005	0.0011	0.0018	ZAR	10.38
USD Index	97.81					EQUITIES	
EUR/USD	1.1705	0.0024	0.0063	0.0117	0.0209		Index
USD/JPY	147.43	-0.53	-1.39	-2.62	-4.67	NZX50	13,254
GBP/USD	1.3516	0.0003	0.0004	-0.0002	-0.0024	ASX200	8,804
EUR/GBP	0.8656	0.0016	0.0044	0.0087	0.0171	Dow Jones	45,711
USD/CNY	7.1209	-0.0181	-0.0455	-0.0835	-0.1467	S&P 500	6,512
						FTSE100	9,243
INTEREST		New Zealand		Australia		DAX 30	23,718
RATES		Mid		Mid		Nikkei	43,459
30 day bank bills			3.10%		3.61%	COMMODITIES	
90 day bank bills			2.99%		3.63%		USD
1 year swap			2.82%		3.37%	Brent Crude	66.44
2 year swap			2.89%		3.31%	Gold	3,630.59
3 year swap			3.02%		3.39%	Silver	40.92
5 year swap			3.31%		3.77%	Iron Ore	104.93
10 year swap			3.86%		4.20%	CRB Index	371.77
3 year Govt bond			3.28%		3.44%		
5 year Govt bond			3.68%		3.69%		NZD
10 year Govt bond			4.40%		4.38%	NZ Carbon	58.25

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