

Market Alert

Tuesday 16 June 2026

CURRENCIES	Spot	6mths
NZD/USD	0.5821	0.0029
NZD/AUD	0.8233	0.0072
NZD/JPY	93.355	-0.91
NZD/EUR	0.5024	-0.0011
NZD/GBP	0.4341	0.0024
NZD/CNH	3.9351	-0.0299
AUD/USD	0.7069	-0.0027
AUD/EUR	0.6100	-0.0066
EUR/USD	1.1587	0.0082
USD/CNH	6.7600	-0.0846
GBP/USD	1.3409	-0.0009
EUR/GBP	0.8640	0.0065

INT RATES	NZ	Australia
OCR/Cash	2.25%	4.35%
90 day bills	2.68%	4.52%
2 year swap	3.38%	4.40%
10 year Govt	4.47%	4.90%

Today ... at 1:00pm ...

New Zealand comes to a standstill ... as it's our first game at the World Cup! Could today be the day when the All Whites gets its first ever win ...

And speaking of explosive matches ... it's been reported that a peace MoU has been electronically signed between the US and Iran. Details are sketchy, but it appears Iran will not have a nuclear weapon under the new deal, and while Iran will not receive any funds or sanction relief for signing the deal, there will be relief should Iran comply with certain terms. The opening of the Strait of Hormuz will take time, due to the mines, with traffic expected to increase in 1-2 weeks.

Whichever way you slice it, this is good news, although financial markets are treating the news cautiously with only

a modest 'relief' rally ... apart from equities! Stock markets are surging on the deal, which has ignited a global rally. Additional support was also found from SpaceX's historic IPO with its shares soaring a further 16% overnight as retail investors piled into the stock, while chipmaker Nvidia also announced it plans to raise USD25bn in its first bond deal since 2021. Currently the Nasdaq is up 2.8% on the day, the S&P500 is 1.5% higher, while the European bourses closed 0.5%-1.0% higher. Incredibly, the peace announcement saw the Japanese Nikkei surge 5.0% yesterday!

As one would expect, oil prices are lower falling just over 4.0% despite US reserves dropping to a 43-year low. Currently crude is at USD81.50 with Brent at USD83.75 amid a tightening of the crude-Brent spread. Silver and gold posted solid recoveries rallying 3.5% and 2.3%, with most other non-energy related products firming around 1.0%.

Bond markets initially saw solid buying as yields dropped, although sceptics impacted sentiment later in the session. Currently the 2-year US Treasury yield is 2bps lower at 4.08%, while the 10-year is 1bp lower at 4.48%.

Conversely, with the USD-index unchanged, the AUDUSD was the strongest performer overnight rallying 0.4% to 0.7075, while the NZD/USD was the weakest easing to 0.5820. This saw NZD/AUD fall almost half a cent from 0.8275 to 0.8230.

In terms of the releases ...

They were largely ignored given the announcement and this week's central bank meetings, but for the record ...

- US industrial production rose 0.1% in May, short of expectations at 0.3% and April's upwardly revised 0.9% increase.
- The New York Fed's Empire State manufacturing index fell from 19.6 to 5.7 in June. Expectations had been at 14.0.
- Eurozone industrial production industry expanded for a 3rd month in a row firming 0.1% in April.
- The Euro Area recorded a trade deficit of EUR1,004.5m in April.

This can't be good ...

Californian Governor Gavin Newsom has confirmed the US DoJ was investigating him and his wife, accusing President Trump of pushing the probe to punish a political enemy!



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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	66.60					CAD	0.8141	0.9890
NZD/USD	0.5821	0.0006	0.0016	0.0029	0.0050	CHF	0.4624	0.5618
NZD/AUD	0.8233	0.0013	0.0038	0.0072	0.0130	CNY	3.9427	4.7841
NZD/JPY	93.355	-0.13	-0.43	-0.9094	-1.93	DKK	3.7533	4.5596
NZD/EUR	0.5024	-0.0001	-0.0005	-0.0011	-0.0031	FJD	1.2917	1.5691
NZD/GBP	0.4341	0.0005	0.0012	0.0024	0.0041	HKD	4.5590	5.5383
						KRW	880.98	1070.23
AU TWI	65.90					MYR	2.3555	2.8615
AUD/USD	0.7069	-0.0004	-0.0013	-0.0027	-0.0051	NOK	5.5493	6.7414
AUD/NZD	1.2144	-0.0021	-0.0058	-0.0109	-0.0194	SEK	5.4731	6.6488
AUD/JPY	113.17	-0.34	-1.03	-2.08	-4.12	SGD	0.7465	0.9069
AUD/EUR	0.6100	-0.0011	-0.0034	-0.0066	-0.0133	TWD	18.35	22.29
AUD/GBP	0.5271	-0.0003	-0.0009	-0.0017	-0.0035	ZAR	9.43	11.46
USD Index	99.69					EQUITIES		
EUR/USD	1.1587	0.0014	0.0043	0.0082	0.0162		Index	
USD/JPY	160.35	-0.39	-1.16	-2.35	-4.61	NZX50	13,361	
GBP/USD	1.3409	-0.0001	-0.0003	-0.0009	-0.0019	ASX200	8,914	
EUR/GBP	0.8640	0.0011	0.0033	0.0065	0.0132	Dow Jones	51,671	
USD/CNY	6.757	-0.0140	-0.0430	-0.0845	-0.1695	S&P 500	7,549	
						FTSE100	10,431	
						DAX 40	24,894	
						Nikkei	69,318	
INTEREST			New Zealand		Australia			
RATES			Mid		Mid			
30 day bank bills			2.48%		4.35%			
90 day bank bills			2.68%		4.52%			
1 year swap			3.10%		4.52%			
2 year swap			3.38%		4.40%			
3 year swap			3.52%		4.35%			
5 year swap			3.74%		4.37%			
10 year swap			4.12%		4.63%			
3 year Govt bond			3.60%		4.48%			
5 year Govt bond			3.93%		4.55%			
10 year Govt bond			4.47%		4.90%			
						COMMODITIES		
							USD	
						Brent Crude	83.65	
						Gold	4,319.10	
						Silver	70.12	
						Iron Ore	101.62	
						CRB Index	465.04	
							NZD	
						NZ Carbon	53.90	

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