Market Alert

Friday 6 November 2026

CURRENCIES	Spot	6mths
NZD/USD	0.5604	0.0033
NZD/AUD	0.8069	0.0074
NZD/JPY	88.445	-0.77
NZD/EUR	0.4993	-0.0009
NZD/GBP	0.4165	0.0026
NZD/CNH	3.7368	-0.0314
AUD/USD	0.6944	-0.0023
AUD/EUR	0.6187	-0.0067
EUR/USD	1.1222	0.0083
USD/CNH	6.6653	-0.0942
GBP/USD	1.3454	-0.0006
EUR/GBP	0.8335	0.0064

INT RATES	NZ	Australia
OCR/Cash	2.75%	4.85%
90 day bills	3.11%	4.99%
2 year swap	3.68%	4.81%
10 year Govt	4.73%	5.11%

The Lord Giveth, and the Lord Taketh!

Which sums up equity markets this morning!

Financial markets are nursing a spectacular hangover today as the euphoric post-election 'gridlock rally' violently collided with a spectacular tech-sector massacre. While equity markets originally celebrated the incoming Democratic "*Blue Wave*" rallying 1.5%-3.0%, tech investors spent last night's session aggressively dumping semiconductor and data center stocks on the realisation that a hostile Congress, paired with a Texas-sized data center moratorium, means the infinite AI cash-burn engine is about to run into a wall of regulatory red tape. The numbers are horrific … the Dow has shed 1600pips to be 3.0% lower, but that is one of the better performing indices as the S&P500 has lost 4.0% while the Nasdaq has plummeted 6.0% and the Nikkei lost 6.6%!

After taking an 8.0% bath on the initial election news, oil prices caught a violent bid after Iran's Revolutionary Guard confirmed two tankers and a tugboat caught fire in separate, highly suspicious incidents in the Strait of Hormuz, while the Iranian leadership explicitly warned that any renewed US actions will draw a *"far wider response"*. Crude formed 2.4% to USD90.60 while Brent surged 3.25% to USD97.85.

The equity market sell-off triggered a flight to safety into bonds, which out-weighed Cleveland Fed President Beth Hammack's comments that, *"I expect that monetary policy will need to move to a restrictive stance to bring inflation back to 2.0% in a timely manner"*. Treasury yields are lower across the curve amid a steepening bias with the 2-years 10bps lower at 4.49%, the 10-years is at a 2-month low at 4.83%, while the 30-years has been relatively steady easing 3bps to 5.25%.

But despite the moves in treasuries, the USD-index remained relatively steady-eddie easing slightly to 101.50 as we wait for tonight's high-stakes non-farm payrolls print to dictate the next leg of the global rate cycle. The NZD/USD is hovering listlessly just above the 0.5600 handle, weighed down by the poor performance of the AUD which was the worst performer overnight falling back below the 0.6950 handle. NZD/AUD is up to 0.8075, or down to 1.2390 depending on how you look at it.

Following in the RBA's footsteps

The BoE officially ended its 3-year hibernation, hiking their benchmark interest rate by 25bps to 4.00%. In an 8–1 vote, the Monetary Policy Committee made it clear that their patience with the geopolitical energy shock has completely run out. Hawk Catherine Mann even tried to stage a double-shot execution, voting for a 50bps hike to 4.25% while Governor Andrew Bailey bluntly warned that UK inflation is now tracking to peak near 5.0% by mid-2027 due to the structural oil and gas fallout from the US-Iran war.

US initial jobless claims dropped further to a piping-hot 189k, outperforming expectations at 196k, with continuing claims firming slightly to 1,718k. A strong non-farm productivity added to the positive narrative surging to 3.6% in Q3 against the 2.8% consensus.

Soon to be departing ECB President Christine Lagarde stated, *"The US mid-terms may have an impact on tariffs, but it'll take time. It is still necessary to apply tools to avoid inflation running away."*

If nothing else …

At least it's a good weekend for sport with the league WC semi's, the start of unions northern hemisphere tours, and 7-derbies in the football including the big one … with the Phoenix facing Auckland FC, but despite all of that, once again the headline will be on Cristiano Ronaldo who announced his retirement from international football, Perhaps Portugal will finally start to live up to their potential.

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Daily Rates

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FX	Spot Mid	FECs (mid) 1mth	3mths	6mths	12mths
NZ TWI	64.00				
NZD/USD	0.5604	0.0006	0.0018	0.0033	0.0057
NZD/AUD	0.8069	0.0014	0.0040	0.0074	0.0127
NZD/JPY	88.445	-0.12	-0.38	-0.7689	-1.60
NZD/EUR	0.4993	-0.0001	-0.0003	-0.0009	-0.0024
NZD/GBP	0.4165	0.0004	0.0013	0.0026	0.0049
AU TWI	64.90				
AUD/USD	0.6944	-0.0005	-0.0013	-0.0023	-0.0038
AUD/NZD	1.2389	-0.0022	-0.0063	-0.0118	-0.0206
AUD/JPY	111.00	-0.33	-1.01	-1.95	-3.67
AUD/EUR	0.6187	-0.0012	-0.0036	-0.0067	-0.0126
AUD/GBP	0.5160	-0.0004	-0.0010	-0.0016	-0.0021
USD Index	101.51				
EUR/USD	1.1222	0.0013	0.0042	0.0083	0.0165
USD/JPY	157.82	-0.37	-1.18	-2.28	-4.44
GBP/USD	1.3454	-0.0001	-0.0001	-0.0006	-0.0023
EUR/GBP	0.8335	0.0010	0.0032	0.0064	0.0134
USD/CNY	6.668	-0.0153	-0.0514	-0.0951	-0.1955

	Spot Mid NZD/...	AUD/...
CAD	0.7842	0.9719
CHF	0.4574	0.5669
CNY	3.7361	4.6303
DKK	3.7313	4.6244
FJD	1.2435	1.5411
HKD	4.3943	5.4460
KRW	760.05	941.96
MYR	2.2659	2.8082
NOK	5.2074	6.4537
SEK	5.4898	6.8037
SGD	0.7161	0.8874
TWD	18.52	22.95
ZAR	9.23	11.43

INTEREST RATES	New Zealand Mid	Australia Mid
30 day bank bills	2.91%	4.86%
90 day bank bills	3.11%	4.99%
1 year swap	3.43%	4.95%
2 year swap	3.68%	4.81%
3 year swap	3.80%	4.72%
5 year swap	3.98%	4.76%
10 year swap	4.33%	4.99%
3 year Govt bond	3.92%	4.78%
5 year Govt bond	4.21%	4.81%
10 year Govt bond	4.73%	5.11%

EQUITIES	Index
NZX50	14,091
ASX200	9,065
Dow Jones	51,672
S&P 500	7,367
FTSE100	10,783
DAX 40	26,325
Nikkei	61,078

COMMODITIES	USD
Brent Crude	97.85
Gold	4,104.35
Silver	52.39
Iron Ore	91.95
CRB Index	503.43

	NZD
NZ Carbon	48.50

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