

CURRENCIES	Spot	6mths
NZD/USD	0.5945	0.0034
NZD/AUD	0.8983	0.0031
NZD/JPY	87.620	-1.06
NZD/EUR	0.5081	-0.0022
NZD/GBP	0.4393	0.0026
NZD/CNH	4.2311	-0.0252
AUD/USD	0.6617	0.0014
AUD/EUR	0.5655	-0.0045
EUR/USD	1.1700	0.0116
USD/CNH	7.1198	-0.0830
GBP/USD	1.3528	-0.0004
EUR/GBP	0.8645	0.0087
INT RATES	NZ	Australia
OCR/Cash	3.00%	3.60%
90 day bills	2.99%	3.64%
2 year swap	2.88%	3.29%
10 year Govt	4.43%	4.39%

The good ... and the bad ...

Of having children, and it was highlighted within a short 3-hour window last night! First up was the graduation ceremony ... my 7th so far with, another planned for next year! But then I got home and discovered Poland had shot down some Russian drones that entered its territory during a strike on neighbouring Ukraine, and guess where one of the children is currently vacationing ... yep ... Poland! Oh well, let's see what today brings!

Guess what ... the surprises didn't stop there!

Because ahead of tonight's US CPI release, PPI, or wholesale, inflation surprised, falling 0.1% in August. This follows July's downwardly revised 0.6% print and expectation for a 0.3% gain. Core PPI also declined 0.1%, below

forecasts for a 0.3% increase. On an annual basis, headline producer inflation slowed to 2.6%, while core producer inflation eased to 2.8%.

The other headlines saw ...

- Chinese consumer inflation also fell, but Chinese deflation isn't a shock these days! CPI contracted 0.4% in the year to August, after being flat in July. Expectations had been for a 0.2% drop.
- To add to the woe, Chinese PPIs declined 2.9%, which was in line with forecasts.
- Australian business confidence fell from 8 to a 3-month low of 4 in August.
- New Zealand visitors rose 6.6% in the year to July, mainly due to Australian tourists. Net annual migration remained positive, but benign at 13k.

Following the recent payrolls revisions, the department that collects the data, the Labor Department, is starting a review of the "challenges", it's encountering in collecting and reporting its key data.

At this stage at least ... Fed Governor Lisa Cook will remain as a member of the FOMC after a judge temporarily blocked President Trump's bid to fire her. That means she'll be able to take part in next week's meeting with the market becoming increasingly optimistic on the Fed's cutting cycle forecasting 2 x 25bps rate cuts, with a 80% chance of a third, before year end.

The UK Chambers of Commerce has suggested Chancellor Reeves' budget may trigger another inflation surge due to regulatory burdens and tax hikes.

Sebastien Lecornu took over as French Prime Minister, which may be a poisoned chalice given the country's debt levels and the opposition to budget cuts. Unfortunately, the appointment didn't distract the youth of France from rioting!

This morning, I want to be ...

Larry Ellison ... because Oracle's stock surged 34% after the company unveiled a massive jump in cloud bookings from Al demand, which means young Larry is now the richest man in the world with his personal net worth rising USD101bn on the day. The positive Oracle result supported the S&P500, although equity markets were mixed ranging between -0.5% and +0.5%. Mind you, rather than Oracle shares, you should have brought some Pokémon cards ... because they've risen 3281% since their launch in 2004!

Commodity prices firmed, with oil up 1.8%, which a bit of a surprise with all the rumours of further production increases.

After yesterday's bounce, treasury yields reverted to their downward trend with the 2-years 3bps lower at 3.55% while the 10-years fell 4bps to 4.05% having traded at a 5-month low of 4.04% during the session.

Finally, the USD-index was a touch firmer, although the AUD and NZD outperformed rallying 0.5% and 0.3% respectively, which saw the NZD/AUD ease back to 0.8980.











	Spot	FECs (mid)					Spot Mid	
FX	Mid	1mth	3mths	6mths	12mths		NZD/	AUD/
NZ TWI	68.20					CAD	0.8238	0.9172
NZD/USD	0.5945	0.0006	0.0019	0.0034	0.0056	CHF	0.4748	0.5287
NZD/AUD	0.8983	0.0005	0.0017	0.0031	0.0060	CNY	4.2317	4.7116
NZD/JPY	87.620	-0.21	-0.55	-1.06	-1.98	DKK	3.7918	4.2218
NZD/EUR	0.5081	-0.0005	-0.0011	-0.0022	-0.0044	FJD	1.3169	1.4662
NZD/GBP	0.4393	0.0003	0.0012	0.0026	0.0050	HKD	4.6294	5.1544
						KRW	825.28	918.88
AUTWI	61.10					MYR	2.5020	2.7858
AUD/USD	0.6617	0.0003	0.0008	0.0014	0.0017	NOK	5.8989	6.5679
AUD/NZD	1.1125	-0.0006	-0.0021	-0.0042	-0.0081	SEK	5.5525	6.1822
AUD/JPY	97.33	-0.29	-0.80	-1.53	-2.87	SGD	0.7619	0.8483
AUD/EUR	0.5655	-0.0009	-0.0023	-0.0045	-0.0087	TWD	17.99	20.03
AUD/GBP	0.4889	0.0001	0.0005	0.0011	0.0021	ZAR	10.39	11.56
USD Index	97.82					EQUITIES		
EUR/USD	1.1700	0.0023	0.0062	0.0116	0.0210			Index
USD/JPY	147.39	-0.51	-1.39	-2.61	-4.68	NZX50		13,276
GBP/USD	1.3528	0.0003	0.0003	-0.0004	-0.0028	ASX200		8,830
EUR/GBP	0.8645	0.0015	0.0044	0.0087	0.0172	Dow Jones		45,491
USD/CNY	7.1207	-0.0168	-0.0456	-0.0828	-0.1465	S&P 500		6,533
						FTSE10	00	9,225
INTEREST		New Zealand Australia		DAX 30		23,633		
RATES			Mid		Mid	Nikkei		43,838
30 day bank bills		3.10% 3.60%		COMMODITIES				
90 day bank bills			2.99%		3.64%			USD
1 year swap		2.81% 3.35%		Brent Crude		67.63		
2 year swap		2.89% 3.30% Gold			3,641.70			
3 year swap		3.03%			3.35%	Silver		41.18
5 year swap		3.31%			3.73% Iron Ore		е	106.08
10 year swap			3.87%	4.15% CRB Index		dex	373.93	
3 year Govt bond			3.29%		3.45%			
5 year Govt bond			3.69%		3.70%			NZD
10 year Govt bond			4.43%		4.39%	NZ Car	bon	58.44

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