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MORNING REPORT

Today's economic developments and market movements.

Key themes

Energy markets remained the key focus, with doubts over President Trump's proposed Russia-Ukraine energy ceasefire and concerns about fuel availability reinforcing expectations of prolonged supply disruptions.

Global equity markets were mixed as higher oil prices and continued uncertainty around the AI outlook weighed on risk sentiment.

With US Treasury markets closed, attention shifted to regional bond markets, where European yields were broadly unchanged and Australian yields edged lower. Domestically, focus today will be on the RBA's September meeting minutes for further clues on the policy outlook and the likelihood of back-to-back rate hikes.

The US dollar strengthened alongside higher oil prices, while the Australian dollar and most major currencies weakened against the greenback.

Industrial metals advanced and gold retreated from recent highs.

Data snapshot

FX Last 24 hrs	Current	Change
TWI	64.8	0.0%
AUD/USD	0.6957	-0.4%
AUD/JPY	110.37	-0.2%
AUD/GBP	0.5268	-0.2%
AUD/NZD	1.2456	0.2%
AUD/EUR	0.6237	0.0%
AUD/CNH	4.6575	-0.4%
AUD/SGD	0.8913	-0.4%
AUD/HKD	5.4592	-0.4%
AUD/CAD	0.9937	-0.2%
EUR/USD	1.1154	-0.4%
USD/JPY	158.65	0.2%
USD Index	102.58	0.4%

Equities	Close	Change
S&P/ASX 200	8,783	0.8%
S&P 500	7,805	-0.1%
Japan Nikkei	69,031	0.0%
Hang Seng	24,271	0.2%
Euro Stoxx 50	6,201	0.5%
UK FTSE100	10,656	1.0%
VIX Index	15.24	2.7%

Commodities	Current	Change
CRB Index	417.10	0.6%
Gold	4169.24	-0.6%
Copper	14618	0.5%
Oil (WTI futures)	93.37	1.7%
Coal (coking)	267.00	-1.1%
Coal (thermal)	153.40	0.8%
Iron Ore	90.95	0.4%
ACCU	36.13	-4.3%

Data as at 7:00am AEDT. Change is from the previous trading day (excluding the SFE, which is the change during the night session). Source: Bloomberg.

AUS Interest Rate Swaps	Last	Change
30 day BBSY	4.62	0.00
90 day BBSY	4.83	0.01
180 day BBSY	5.20	-0.01
1 year swap	4.90	-0.01
2 year swap	4.92	-0.01
3 year swap	4.92	-0.02
4 year swap	4.94	-0.02
5 year swap	4.98	-0.02
6 year swap	5.03	-0.01
7 year swap	5.08	-0.02
8 year swap	5.13	-0.02
9 year swap	5.18	-0.01
10 year swap	5.23	-0.01

Government Bond Yields	Close	Change
Australia		
3 year bond	4.89	-0.01
10 year bond	5.32	-0.02
United States		
3-month T Bill	4.05	-0.01
2 year bond	4.79	0.00
10 year bond	5.24	0.00
Other (10 year yields)		
Germany	3.48	0.00
Japan	3.02	0.00
UK	5.44	0.00

Sydney Futures Exchange	Current	Change
10 yr bond	5.36	0.02
3 yr bond	4.92	0.02
3 mth bill rate	4.77	0.00
SPI 200	8,815	0.1%



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Financial Markets

With US Treasury markets closed for Columbus Day, this left regional factors to drive most of the price action and allowed markets returning from public holidays to catch up with last week's developments. Oil remained a key focus, with Brent crude settling above US\$106/bbl after Ukraine reported multiple energy facilities being targeted by Russia, casting doubt on the viability of President Trump's announced "energy ceasefire" between the two countries. Elsewhere, reports of lower Chinese refined-product exports added to concerns over global fuel availability, with pricing further out the oil curve continued to signal expectations of prolonged supply disruptions. Meanwhile, Saudi Arabia announced plans to expand pipeline capacity by 40% over the next three years, reducing its reliance on the Strait of Hormuz.

- Rising oil and continued AI uncertainty weighed on broader risk sentiment in US equities. The S&P 500 closed 0.1% lower, while the Nasdaq also lost ground, down 0.4%, with the Dow Jones gaining 0.4%. Elsewhere the Euro Stoxx 50 gained 0.5% with the FTSE 100 up 1.0%.
- Asian equity markets delivered a mixed start to the week. South Korea's Kospi fell for a fourth consecutive session, losing 3.7% as the recent technology-led sell-off intensified. The index has now fallen 7.3% over the past two weeks despite generally solid earnings updates from major chip stocks. Elsewhere, the CSI 300 declined 0.7%, while the Hang Seng rose 0.3%, supported by gains in financial stocks. The ASX 200 advanced 0.8%, led by strength in the materials and financial sectors. Japanese markets were closed for a public holiday.
- The US Treasury market was closed for Columbus Day (futures imply a 4bps rise in the 10-year). This offered some respite for European bond markets. The 10-year bund and gilt were unchanged, with yields holding at 3.48% and 5.44% respectively. The same fate did not transpire for the 10-year OAT which rose 5bs to 4.90%.
- In Australia, government bond yields moved lower, with the 3-year yield falling 1bp and the 10-year yield declining 2bps to 5.32%. Today's market attention will centre on the RBA's September meeting minutes, which will be scrutinised for any additional insight into the policy outlook and the prospects for back-to-back rate hikes. Swaps markets have continued to pare expectations of near-term tightening, with the probability of a November rate hike now sitting at just above 20%.
- Higher oil prices provided a modest tailwind for the USD, with the USD index rising 0.4%. The AUD fell against the

Today's key data and events

Time	Event	Exp	Prev
11:30	AU RBA Minutes	-	-
11:30	AU NAB Business Conditions Sep	-	-1pts
21:00	US NFIB Small Business Optimism Sep	98.2pts	98.7pts
1:00	US Existing Home Sales Sep	-0.5%	-2.0%

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greenback, down 0.4% to 0.6957. Other crosses against the USD were mixed, with the yen up 0.2%, and the euro and pound losing 0.4% and 0.2% respectively.

- Brent crude swung between losses and gains as markets weighed the prospect of additional supply against rising geopolitical tensions in the Middle East. Brent crude rose 1.5% to US\$106.3/bbl after falling to an intraday low of US\$103.2/bbl, while WTI settled 1.7% higher at US\$93.4/bbl. Gold retreated from recent highs, declining 0.6%, while industrial metals were firmer, with copper and iron ore up 0.5% and 0.4%, respectively.

International Data

No major data.

Domestic Data

No major data.



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