WEEKLY FOREIGN EXCHANGE OUTLOOK 30 Aug 2021 - 03 Sep 2021

Dollar Index

89 Dec-20

Source: Thomson Reuters

Lower Bound

Forecast

Jan-21

Feb-21 Mar-21

94
93.5
93
92.5
92
91.5
91
90.5
90

Dollar Outlook

Apr-21 May-21 Jun-21

Upper Bound

Aug-21

93.22

Jul-21

-Analysts expect Nonfarm Payrolls surges around 700K positions in August. Unemployment Rate probably falls to 5.2% from 5.4% in the previous month. -Job market is supported by service sector that gradually reopened, leads to higher wages and recruitments.

Dollar News		Dol	lar I	N	ew	S
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- -Investors waited for comment from the Fed Chairman Jerome Powell in Jackson Hole Symposium on Friday (27/8). Downside US data released earlier this week due to widespread of the Delta virus dimmed an expectation on sooner tapering scheme.
- -The message from Powell was effective that the plan is still to taper this year, substantial progress has been made, downside risks are still apparent and inflation still looks transitory. However, the precise timing on bond tapering is still unclear.
- -Fed Vice Chair Richard Clarida believes that the central bank could begin tapering later this year.
- -The dollar index slumped after the Fed key man finished his speech.C38

Dollar Index Performance					
Last Week Close	93.50	Monthly High	93.73		
Week Open	93.46	Monthly Low	91.78		
Week Close	92.63	30 Days Average	92.74		
Weekly High	93.73	90 Days Average	91.63		
Weekly Low	92.63	YTD Change	+2.99%		

Dollar In	dex Economic E	vents		
Events	Period	Date	Forecast	Previous
Consumer Confidence	Aug	31-Aug	124.0	129.1
Markit Mfg PMI Final	Aug	1-Sep		61.2
ISM Manufacturing PMI	Aug	1-Sep	58.5	59.5
Initial Jobless Clm	28 Aug, w	ı/ 2-Sep	345000	353,000.0
Factory Orders MM	Jul	2-Sep	0.3	1.5
Non-Farm Payrolls	Aug	3-Sep	728000	943,000.0
Unemployment Rate	Aug	3-Sep	5.2	5.4
Average Earnings YY	Aug	3-Sep	4	4.0
ISM N-Mfg PMI	Aug	3-Sep	61.8	64.1
Markit Comp Final PMI	Aug	3-Sep		55.4

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92.47

Depreciation



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Thai Baht

Source: Thomson Reuters

Thai Baht Graph Thai Baht News



-THB sharply appreciated against the greenback as the currency tried to recover
from earlier losses in past few months.

-THB further gains after dovish statement from the Fed Chairman in Jackson Hole Symposium last Friday (27/8).

Thai Baht Performance			
Last Week Close	33.37 THB/USD Monthly High	33.49 THB/USD	
Week Open	33.30 THB/USD Monthly Low	32.52 THB/USD	
Week Close	32.63 THB/USD 30 Days Average	33.05 THB/USD	
Weekly High	33.40 THB/USD 90 Days Average	32.05 THB/USD	
Weekly Low	32.60 THB/USD YTD Change	+8.68%	

Thai Baht Outlook

- -Thai economy has been affected from COVID-19 pandemic especially in tourism sector that keeps recovery in slow pace even growth in export sector already climbed back to pre-pandemic level.
- -However, BOT believes that Thai economy is still stable from low foreign debts with high reserves, strong business sector and acceptable level of public debt.

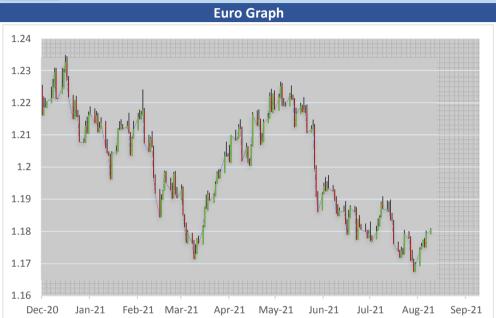
Forecast	
	Previous
11.0	17.6
	46.1
	45.8
	3900M
	-1300M
	48.7
	0.5
	0.1

Lower Bound	32.30	Upper Bound	33.00
Forecast	Appreciation		

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Source: Thomson Reuters



Euro News

- -The Eurozone Manufacturing purchasing managers index (PMI) arrived at 61.5 in August vs. 62.0 expectations and 62.8 last. The index was at its weakest in six months.
- -The bloc's Services PMI fell to two-month lows of 59.7 in August vs. 59.8 expected and 59.8 previous.
- -The IHS Markit Eurozone PMI Composite fell to 59.5 in August vs. 59.7 expected and 60.2 previous. The gauge clinched two-month lows.
- -PMI dipping only slightly from July's recent high to put its average in the third quarter so far at the highest for 21 years.

Euro Index Performance			
Last Week Close	1.17 USD/EUR Monthly High	1.19 USD/EUR	
Week Open	1.17 USD/EUR Monthly Low	1.17 USD/EUR	
Week Close	1.18 USD/EUR 30 Days Average	1.18 USD/EUR	
Weekly High	1.18 USD/EUR 90 Days Average	1.20 USD/EUR	
Weekly Low	1.17 USD/EUR YTD Change	-3.36%	

Euro Outlook

- -It is likely too early for the ECB to conclude that the coronavirus crisis phase is nearing its end at the September meeting. As a result, December now looks a likelier time to decide when the Pandemic Emergency Purchase Programme (PEPP), or more specifically net bond purchases under that programme, should end.
- -Although the spread of the Delta variant caused widespread problems across the region, curbing demand and causing further supply issues, firms benefited from virus containment measures easing to the lowest level since the pandemic began.

Lower Bound	1.17	Upper Bound	1.18
Forecast	Appreciation		

Dollar Index Economic Events					
Events	Period	Date	Forecast	Previous	
Consumer Confid. Final	Aug	30-Aug	-5.3	-5.3	
CPI Prelim YY	Aug	30-Aug	3.9	3.8	
Markit Mfg Final PMI	Aug	1-Sep	61.5	61.5	
Unemployment Rate	Jul	1-Sep	7.6	7.7	
Markit Serv PMI	Aug	3-Sep	56.4	56.4	
Markit Comp PMI	Aug	3-Sep	55.9	55.9	
Markit Services PMI	Aug	3-Sep	61.5	61.5	
Markit Comp Final PMI	Aug	3-Sep	60.6	60.6	
Markit Serv Final PMI	Aug	3-Sep	59.7	59.7	
Markit Comp Final PMI	Aug	3-Sep	59.5	59.5	



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1.25

Dec-20 Source: Thomson Reuters

Jan-21



Pound Sterling News

-The Retail Sales fell 2.5% in July as compared to the previous month, while markets had a forecast a modest growth whereas UK's GKF Consumer Confidence Index dropped to -8 in August from -7 in the previous month.

-Bank of England's (BOE) hawkish stance capped the downside for the pound.

	Pound Sterling Performance	
Last Week Close	1.36 USD/GBP Monthly High	1.40 USD/GBP
Week Open	1.36 USD/GBP Monthly Low	1.36 USD/GBP
Week Close	1.38 USD/GBP 30 Days Average	1.38 USD/GBP
Weekly High	1.38 USD/GBP 90 Days Average	1.39 USD/GBP
Weekly Low	1.36 USD/GBP YTD Change	+0.71%

-GBP possibly extends its gain from the previous week after Fed bond tapering timeframe is still unclear regarding to Fed Chair comment in Jackson Hole Symposium last Friday (27/8) that led the greenback slump to week-low.

Pound Sterling Outlook

Feb-21 Mar-21 Apr-21 May-21 Jun-21 Jul-21 Aug-21 Sep-21

Pound Sterling Economic Events					
Events	Period	Date	Forecast	Previous	
Nationwide house price mm	Aug	1-Sep	0.1	-0.5	
Nationwide house price yy	Aug	1-Sep	8.6	10.5	
Markit/CIPS Mfg PMI Final	Aug	1-Sep	60.1	60.1	
Reserve Assets Total	Aug	3-Sep		178114.56M	

Lower Bound	1.37	Upper Bound	1.39
Forecast	Appreciation		

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Source: Thomson Reuters



Australian Dollar Outlook

- -Downside risk that still dominates movement of the Aussie is about the situation of ${\sf COVID-19}$ in country.
- -Losses in AUD may be limited due to unclear statement about Fed Bond tapering from Jackson Hole Symposium last Friday (27/8).

Australian Dollar News

- -Australia's new daily cases of COVID topped 1,000 on Thursday for the first time since the global pandemic began, as two major hospitals in Sydney set up emergency outdoor tents to help deal with a rise in patients.
- -Even after two months of lockdown, new cases have still been arising.

	Australian Dollar Performance	
Last Week Close	0.71 USD/AUD Monthly High	0.74 USD/AUD
Week Open	0.71 USD/AUD Monthly Low	0.71 USD/AUD
Week Close	0.73 USD/AUD 30 Days Average	0.76 USD/AUD
Weekly High	0.73 USD/AUD 90 Days Average	0.77 USD/AUD
Weekly Low	0.71 USD/AUD YTD Change	-5.08%

Australian Dollar Economic Events				
Events	Period	Date	Forecast	Previous
Building Approvals	Jul	31-Aug	-5.0	-6.7
Current Account Balance SA	Q2	31-Aug	21000M	18300M
Net Exports Contribution	Q2	31-Aug	-1.0	-0.6
Real GDP QQ SA	Q2	1-Sep	0.5	1.8
Real GDP YY SA	Q2	1-Sep	9.2	1.1
Trade Balance G&S (A\$)	Jul	2-Sep	10200M	10496M

Lower Bound	0.72	Upper Bound	0.74
Forecast	Neutral		



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+6.37%



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Japaneseese Yen

114 112 110 108 106 104 102 Dec-20 Jan-21 Feb-21 Mar-21 Apr-21 May-21 Jun-21 Jul-21 Aug-21 Sep-21

Japanese Yen Outlook

- -the economy likely to remain under downward pressure from pandemic for time being.
- -comment from BOJ board member: "Closures in southeast Asian chip factories due to pandemic may have lasting impact and are among uncertainties over global economy. chip shortage may not be fixed for rest of this year."

Japanese Yen News	
-The Japanese Yen remained on a lower track after the news surfaced that J	apan'
government plans to expand the coronavirus state of emergency to eight m	ore

states; Hokkaido, Miyagi, Gifu, Aichi, Mie, Shiga, Okayama and Hiroshima.

	Japanese Yen	Performance	
Last Week Close	109.80 JPY/USD	Monthly High	110.79 JPY/USD
Week Open	109.80 JPY/USD	Monthly Low	108.73 JPY/USD
Week Close	109.82 JPY/USD	30 Days Average	108.98 JPY/USD
Weekly High	110.26 JPY/USD	90 Days Average	107.27 JPY/USD

109.40 JPY/USD YTD Change

Weekly Low

Japanese Yen Economic Events				
Events	Period	Date	Forecast	Previous
Jobs/Applicants Ratio	Jul	31-Aug	1.1	1.1
Unemployment Rate	Jul	31-Aug	2.9	2.9
Industrial O/P Prelim MM SA	Jul	31-Aug	-2.5	6.5
Jibun Bank Mfg PMI	Aug	1-Sep		52.4
Services PMI	Aug	3-Sep		47.4

Lower Bound	109.45	Upper Bound	110.22
Forecast	Neutral		



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