

Botswana Market Watch

GMT	Country		Data event or release		Period	Market Exp	Previous
-	BW		Empty data card				
09:00	EZ		EW economic sentiment		Oct		-60,7
09:00	GE	ZEW economic sentiment Oct -66,5			-61,9		
13:15	US		ndustrial production m/m		Sep -0,05% -0,2		
14:00	US		AHB Housing market index	Oct 44 46			46
16:00	EC	ECB's Schnabel Speaks					
18:00	US	Fed's Bostic Takes Part in Workrise Panel Discussion					
20:00	US		Net long term TIC flows		Aug		\$21,4bn
Factors Overnight	N	/hat happened?	Relevance	Importance		Analysis	
UK Politics	back all th Truss wan despite he	ncellor Hunt rolled le tax cuts that PM ted to implement, and er apologies, last night, er removal persist	Another PM in such a short space of time would deal the conservatives another political blow	5/5 (politics, economy)	If financial markets are anything to go by, th U-turn on the PM's tax cuts has been successful in calming nerves as economic policy reverts back to the austere policies of the Johnson govt		
China data delay	governme publication data, sche	sual step, China's nt has delayed the n of key economic eduled for publication amid the ongoing	The authorities have said they want all the focus to be on the message from the govt, not the data	3/5 (politics, economy)	of the data and would	erson for the govt a a was showing some l be released in due Congress in 2017, th as usual	e improvement course. At the
JPY collapse vs USD	the USD as approachi	as slid to a 32yr low vs s the pair tested levels ng 149 on Tue. The lve for intervention is tested	Intervention efforts historically have never yielded much benefit. The market is too big and liquid	4/5 (market, economy)	The core issue for Japan is its inability to rai interest rates, given the colossal debt levels and structural deflationary pressures. It has once again become the world's best funding currency		
Factors on the Radar	v	/hat happened?	Relevance	Importance		Analysis	
RBA	expects to coming mo that the ba	as indicated that it hike rates more in the onths and indicated ank could achieve a htening to its peers	Although the data will drive the pace and timing, it seems inevitable that more hikes will come	<mark>4/5</mark> (monetary policy)	rise in inflati want to tam	ation of the AUD vs t ion are both factors e. While the Fed is s , the RBA will have li	that the RBA wi till hiking
BoE to delay QT	followed th the mini-b BoE has ir	the tumult that ne announcement of udget in the UK, the ndicated that it will uantitative tightening	The Gilts market has been under considerable strain, and QT would only add to that	4/5 (monetary policy)	underlying n broader eco	uld need to be sensi narket as well as the nomy of further tigh tage in the business	e impact to the tening at such
US recession	aggressive economic	I continues to hike ely, the Bloomberg models show that the recession has risen to robability	Many indicators are pointing to the same. Sanguine market conditions will be tested	5/5 (economy)	stock marke lower, the yi	igh, housing prices a ets are tumbling, PM eld curve has inverte aising rates but conc	ls are turning ed, and the Feo

Highlights news vendors

BUSINESS LIVE - <u>Public pressure forces Ramaphosa to U-turn on perks</u> FT - <u>France's central bank boss says UK crisis shows risk of 'vicious loop</u> REUTERS – <u>S.Africa's Transnet agrees three-year wage deal with majority labour union</u> SOUTH CHINA POST - <u>Japan could raise corporate taxes to fund defence budget but idea 'dead on</u> <u>arrival'</u>

	Corporate Foreign Exchange				
	CUSTOMER	CUSTOMER	CUSTOMER	CUSTOMER	
	BUY	SELL	BUY	SELL	
	CASH	CASH	π	π	
BWPZAR	1.276032	1.292256	1.3006222	1.386483	
BWPUSD	0.07104	0.093496	0.072409	0.077147	
GBPBWP	15.804152	16.00196	15.462235	15.07877	
BWPEUR	0.078	0.07904	0.0736875	0.07752	
JPYBWP	11.4504	11.596	10.817325	11.345125	
USDZAR	17.243616	18.6914	17.647763	18.28701875	
EURUSD	0.946272	1.02544	0.9684503	1.003255	
GBPUSD	1.092672	1.184144	1.1182815	1.1585255	

Interbank Spot Foreign Exchange Close Change			Forward Foreign Exchange BWPUSD BWPZAR			
BWPUSD	0.074	0.0000	1m	-2.62275	-2247.819	
BWPGBP	0.065	-0.0001	3m	-6.97125	-14859.33	
BWPEUR	0.0751	0.00	6m	-13.104	-55325.63	
BWPZAR	1.329	-0.0232	12m	-26.6175	-216693.6	
Dollar Index	111.878	-0.161				
EURUSD	0.9856	0.0018				
GBPUSD	1.1381	0.0028				
USDJPY	148.84	-0.19				
USDNGN	435.06	0				
USDZAR	17.9589	-0.1141				











Local and regional talking points

• In a poll conducted by Reuters, key Sub-Saharan economies are expected to experience tepid economic growth in 2023 amid sticky inflation and as the USD's strength drives up import costs, undermining hawkish monetary policy. The poll showed that growth for the sub-Saharan Africa region is projected to slow to 3.4% this year from last year's estimate of 4.7% but then edge up to 3.7% next year, in line with the recent International Monetary Fund forecasts. Recall that the IMF expects the local economy to grow by 4.1% this year, down from an original forecast of 4.3% in April.

• Botswana President Mokgweetsi Masisi urged the private sector to help the government combat 14-year high inflation when he officially opened the 16th edition of the National Business Conference (NBC). The event brings together government and business leaders to develop economic and business reforms to improve Botswana's competitiveness globally. This year's NBC is themed '*Road Map to High Income – Accelerating Transformation*' and is set to end on Wednesday. Botswana has set a goal of being a high-income country by 2036, and Masisi underlined the importance of the government working with diverse stakeholders and regularly reviewing policies and legislative reforms to promote the welfare of Batswana.

Financial Market Commentary

• The BWP continued with its Friday gains after closing at 13.3650/USD yesterday as the greenback struggled to gain traction as risk appetite returned to the markets, with the reversal of almost all of UK's planned tax cuts helping sentiment. Meanwhile, the greenback remains supported by expectations that the Federal Reserve will tighten policy further to get ahead of inflation. As such, the BWP will likely face renewed selling pressure in the short term. For now, however, the local currency will look to capitalise on the improvement in risk appetite and target the 13.100/USD resistance level that has held strong in the past two attempts over the last month.

• In the fixed-income market, US Treasury futures remain bid this morning following yesterday's gains, that were driven by a rally for UK gilts. Gilt yields were down sharply across the curve yesterday as most of PM Truss's controversial economic policies are being walked back, and the BoE has delayed its QT to support market functioning. UK benchmark 10yr yields are now back below 4.000% as a result, while this has dragged US yields lower with the benchmark there trading below 4.000% once again as well.

• Meanwhile, it appears that steps are being taken that could allow the Federal Reserve to start implementing a possible buy-back program. Liquidity metrics for USTs are approaching crisis levels. Last week, a survey was sent out by Treasury to primary dealers that were asked about the merits and limitations of such a program. Edging towards offering such a program suggests that market functioning may improve going forward, reducing the massive swings we have seen this year and helping to improve market risk appetite.

• Oil prices are edging marginally higher this morning, although still trading near the lows reached yesterday as global economic growth concerns limit any possible gains from a weaker US dollar. Further pressuring prices is news that US shale producers are forecast by the EIA to increase their output by another 50k barrels per day this month, taking production to new record highs. As a result, we have Brent struggling to sustain any breaks above \$92 per barrel at the moment.

• The market appears to be in some form of limbo at the moment as a negative macroeconomic backdrop is balancing tight supplies. There are, however, some other indicators that are flashing warning signs for demand. The discount of Dubai swaps to the global benchmark Brent has widened through the month so far, while the Dubai prompt time spread has narrowed and is at its least backwardated since August. This shows concern is building over demand in the Middle-East and Asia. Focus will now turn to China's buying activity to get a better sense of demand there, given that this is normally a period of increased activity ahead of the December loading cargoes.















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